

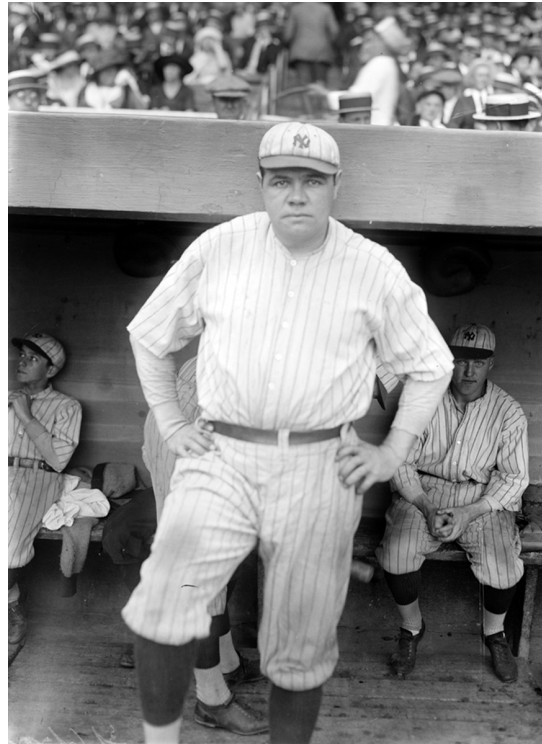
Notes

Practicing What You Learned

Use the Notes column to take notes and use SALSA™ strategies. There are a few hints to get you started.

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Babe Ruth



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Babe Ruth was an extraordinary baseball player. He could pitch. He could hit. He was one of the best baseball players ever. His nickname was “Babe.” His real name was George Herman Ruth.

33 words

Assemble What clues in this paragraph help you make predictions about Babe’s later career?

47 words

- 2 Babe Ruth grew up in Baltimore. When he was a young boy, he was a good athlete. He loved to play baseball. Usually he played catcher. When he was 15, he started to pitch. At 19, he started to play for the Baltimore Orioles, the local team.

Babe was an excellent ball player. He was great at hitting and good at pitching. Many different teams wanted him to play for them. He played for the Red Sox in Boston, Massachusetts. Then he played for the Yankees in New York City. He was a star.

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Look The word *then* gives you a clue to the time order.

47 words

- 4 Babe hit more home runs than anyone else in his day. He won games by hitting so well. He brought many people to baseball games. The Yankees built a new stadium. They called it “the house that Ruth built.” On opening day, Babe Ruth hit a home run. Everyone cheered for him. They loved to see him play.

58 words

There is a story about Babe Ruth that people like to tell. It took place during a big game. The Babe came up to bat. He pointed to a spot far away in the distance. Then he hit the ball very hard. It went to just where he had pointed. It may have been the longest home run ever.

Solve If the ball went right where he pointed, maybe he was aiming it there.

59 words

- 6 Babe played baseball for 22 years. There have been many great baseball players. Most of them were either a good pitcher or a hitter. Babe Ruth was both. He was the greatest baseball player of all time.

Ask Did the author prove that Babe Ruth was the greatest player of all time?

37 words

- 1** Which of the following happened last?
- (A) Babe Ruth played for the Yankees.
 - (B) Babe Ruth played for the Red Sox.
 - (C) Babe Ruth played catcher.
 - (D) Babe Ruth played for the Baltimore Orioles.



Hint—Look for clues that tell you the order of events.

- 2** Everyone cheered for Babe Ruth on opening day because _____.
- (A) he did not play
 - (B) he was the catcher
 - (C) they liked the new stadium
 - (D) he hit a home run



Hint—Skim through paragraph 4 to find out what caused everyone to cheer on opening day.

- 3** How was Babe Ruth different from most great baseball players?
- (A) He was a better pitcher.
 - (B) He was a faster runner.
 - (C) He could pitch and hit.
 - (D) He had a lucky bat.



Hint—The last paragraph contrasts Babe Ruth with other great baseball players.

- 4** Why did Babe Ruth point at a spot far away in the distance?
- (A) He was pointing to a plane.
 - (B) He was waving at the fans.
 - (C) There was a flock of birds flying in that spot.
 - (D) He was showing where he would hit the ball.



Hint—Use the clues in the article to **Solve** this question.

- 5** Which statement is an OPINION from the article?
- (A) He was the greatest baseball player of all time.
 - (B) He played baseball for 22 years.
 - (C) Babe Ruth grew up in Baltimore.
 - (D) His real name was George Herman Ruth.



Hint—Remember an opinion cannot be proven. Someone else might disagree with it.

- 6** What will probably happen next?
- (A) People will stop liking Babe Ruth.
 - (B) Some baseball fans will always love Babe Ruth.
 - (C) People will stop going to baseball games.
 - (D) No new baseball stadiums will be built.



Hint—Check the clues given by the story. Which answer is most likely to happen?

- 7** Explain why some people think Babe Ruth was a great baseball player. In your answer, use information from the article that supports your explanations. Write your answer on the lines below.



Hint—Most of the details from the article explain why Babe Ruth was such a great ball player.