# BABE RUTH'S MITT-ATHLETES META



Until 2004, the Red Sox losing the World Series was so **routine** it bordered on **comedy**. But while the Curse of the Bambino's been broken, our own luck is still lousy. Time to call in our heavy hitter... QUARFY THE TIME WORM!

Quarfy the Time Worm had fun at Fenway! He crawled across the fourth dimension to recruit nine Massachusetts athletes for a charity baseball event. But while he remembers the batting order of the positions, living in the past, present, and future simultaneously is confusing. Please help Quarfy figure out who played what position, how many bases they reached, and what charities they played for!

- 1. Each athlete batted once and hit either a single (one base), double (two bases), triple (three bases), or home run (all four bases). For the purposes of this puzzle, each athlete immediately returned to the dugout after getting on base, so each hit was independent of the others.
- 2. The sports featured in this round's feeder puzzles—Football, Gymnastics, Basketball, and Hockey—correspond to the athletes from those sports who played in the charity event. Look for something their answers have in common to determine where they played.
- 3. Only one athlete hit a home run; they were not the first to bat. None of the other types of hit matches the number of times it occurred (i.e., there were not 3 triples, 2 doubles, or 1 single).
- 4. Only one base-playing athlete's hit type corresponds with the number of their base. That athlete played for the Informal Logic Problem Solvers.
- 5. The outfielders (Left Field, Center Field, and Right Field) hit a single, a double, and a triple in some order. All other positions are considered infield.
- 6. Only one outfielder's sport requires a ball. That outfielder played for the Foggy Brume Appreciation Club.
- 7. Two of the three athletes whose sports can be won without teammates batted back to back. One played for the Heavy Meta-I Support Group and the other played for the Extraction Education Program.
- 8. Mariusz and Lisbeth chatted from their infield positions and made a bet about which of their sports was more violent, with the prize of a doubled donation to their charity (the Elect Puzzle Constructors Reform Society and the BAPHLBall Hall of Fame, in some order). Peres, who was also in the infield, agreed to judge the wager if they both donated to her own charity (which had a three-word name).

Athletes: Babe Ruth's Mitt, Meta (Teen Titans)

- The home run occurred before all three singles, the first two of which were hit back-to-back by the players for the Caesar Stick Shift Squad and the Foggy Brume Appreciation Club in that order.
- 10. Simon nearly got tossed out of left field for throwing Frisbees at the fans, but he got his act together and hit a double, securing a donation to his three-word charity and winning praise from the catcher (whose sport requires a helmet).
- 11. Only one of the first four batters did not get a hit that corresponded to their position in the lineup. That batter played for a four-word charity.
- 12. After the game, Adam (who was not the last to hit) asked Amy for some batting tips. Amy credited her arm strength, which got her a triple, to her years of rowing experience.

#### The Athletes:

- Nate Archibald, Basketball (Boston Celtics)
- Simon Carapella, Ultimate Frisbee (Boston Glory)
  - Mariusz Czerkawski, Hockey (Boston Bruins)
  - Peres Jepchirchir, Running (Boston Marathon)
- Stéphanie Mugneret-Béghé, Soccer (Boston Breakers)
  - Alicia Sacramone, Gymnastics (Olympic Medalist)
- Lisbeth Slamintoher, Roller Derby (Cosmonaughties)
  - Adam Vinatieri, Football (New England Patriots)
- Amy Westenfeld, Rowing (Head of the Charles Regatta-Singles Division)

### The Charities:

- BAPHLBall Hall of Fame
- Caesar Stick Shift Squad
- Elect Puzzle Constructors Reform Society
  - Extraction Education Program
  - Foggy Brume Appreciation Club
    - Heavy Meta-I Support Group
  - Informal Logic Problem Solvers
    - Jigsaw Peace Corps
  - Sudoku Bizarre Variant Foundation

#### The Coaches:

Mr. B.A. and Mr L.C., of the Susquehanna Hat Company

## **QUARFY'S SCORECARD!**

Player Name (Last)	Batted	Position	Hit A	Playing For
	1st	1B		
	2nd	Catcher		
	3rd	CF		
	4th	Shortstop		
	5th	3B		
	6th	Pitcher		
	7th	RF		
	8th	LF		
	9th	2B		

YOUR FINAL ANSWER (9 5):											

	Archibald	Carapella	Czerkawski	Jepahirahir	Mugneret-Béghé	Sacramone	Slamintoher	Vinatieri	Westenfeld	BAPHLBall Hall of Fame	Caesar Stick Shift Squad	Eled Puzzle Construdors	Extraction Education Program	Foggy Brume Appredation Club	Heavy Meta-I Support Group	Informal Logic Problem Solvers	Jigsaw Peace Corps	Sudoku Bizarre Variant		1	1	1	I		ı	1B	2B	38	Catcher	Shortstop	Pitcher	RF	OF	<u> </u>
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