

# Jackie Robinson

## Reading

1. Jack Roosevelt Robinson was an American **baseball** player. He changed the way the game was played.
2. Jackie Robinson was a black man. He wanted to play **professional** baseball. In America in 1945, black people could not play baseball with white **players**. Black Americans had their own all-black baseball **teams** called the Negro Leagues.
3. In 1945, Jackie Robinson became a **member** of the Negro Leagues. Then the manager of the Dodgers saw Jackie Robinson and thought he was a good baseball player. He asked Jackie Robinson to play baseball for the Dodgers. The Dodgers was an all-white team.
4. Playing for an all-white team was not easy for Jackie. Team members and **fans** became angry because a black man was playing for the Dodgers. Other baseball teams said they would not play against the Dodgers if there was a black man on the team. People even sent Robinson **letters** saying they would kill him if he played.
5. But Jackie Robinson was **strong**. He played hard the first year and won the Rookie of the Year **Award**. Soon, other black baseball players joined all-white baseball teams all over America.





# Reading Comprehension

Answer the following questions using complete sentences.

1. Was Jack Roosevelt Robinson a Canadian baseball player?

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2. Did he change the way baseball was played?

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3. Was Jackie Robinson a white man?

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4. What did Jackie Robinson want to play?

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5. In 1945, could black people play baseball with white players?

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6. Who had their own baseball teams?

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7. What were the all-black baseball teams called?

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8. Who saw Jackie Robinson play?

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9. Did the manager of the Dodgers think Jackie Robinson was a bad player?

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10. What team did the manager ask Jackie Robinson to play for?

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11. Who became angry at Jackie Robinson?

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12. Why did team members become angry?

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13. What did the letters say that people sent to Jackie Robinson?

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14. What award did Jackie Robinson win the first year?

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15. Did black players join other baseball teams in America?

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# Vocabulary Review

## A. Unscramble the Words

Unscramble the words below from the story.  
Then write one original sentence for each word.

#	Word	Unscrambled	Sentence
1	lalbseab		
2	rofelpispion		
3	nfas		
4	wrada		
5	pyrasel		
6	etmas		
7	gsrotn		
8	tetselr		
9	rembme		

## B. Find the Words

Now find the words from the exercise above in the word search to the right.

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a c a e i a d i a e h a r  
i d i a r w o g m a m p o  
b a s e b a l l o d n r f  
d s i c d r e r x a a b e  
e m f i c d f a n s o s s  
g e e v d o c k g h h i s  
e m c i n d e r u e d c i  
f b s c r g t t p r y a o  
t e a m s p o i a r t d n  
o r t f b e e r a y e o a  
e r z b r e s t r o n g l  
t e o p l a y e r s z o t  
x m p s t e w m q i r v o