

## WebQuest: My Baseball Card

### Introduction

In the book, you read how Abner and his friends played early versions of the game of baseball. Today, every professional baseball player has a baseball card that shows his picture on one side and tells a little about him and how well he plays each year, on the other side. In this WebQuest, you will look at samples of baseball cards and then design one for yourself.

### Process

#### Step 1

You will need to cut a piece of construction paper or cardboard approximately 4 inches tall and 3 inches wide. This will be your personal baseball card.

#### Step 2

Visit these websites to learn more about baseball cards and to compare the cards made long ago with those made today. Notice the kinds of information printed on the cards.

#### Websites:

- [Wikipedia: Baseball Card](#)  
Click the pictures of the baseball cards and, at the bottom of the screen, click the picture of a card's reverse side to see the kinds of information it contains.
- [The Illustrated History of Baseball Cards: The 1800s](#)  
View the photographs of historical baseball cards.
- [Major League Baseball](#)

#### Step 3

Design a baseball card about yourself! On one side, either attach a photograph of yourself or draw a sketch of yourself.

#### Step 4

On the other side of the card, write your name, birthdate, birth place, height, and other interesting facts about yourself, such as a nickname (if you have one), special skills or hobbies.

#### Step 5

When you're done, give your card to your teacher so that you can play a class game, guessing which person belongs to which set of information.