

baseball

[ˈbeɪsbɔːl] *n спорт.*

- 1) бейсбол
- 2) бейсбольный мяч

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base·ball [baseball baseballs] *BrE* [ˈbeɪsbɔːl] *AmE* [ˈbeɪsbɔːl] *noun*



1. **uncountable** a game played especially in the US by two teams of nine players, using a **bat** and ball. Each player tries to hit the ball and then run around four **bases** before the other team can return the ball
 - a baseball bat/team/stadium
 - a pair of baseball boots

compare **rounders**
2. **countable** the ball used in this game

Culture:

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America's national sport, played mainly by men, which developed in the 19th century from the British games **rounders** and **cricket**. It is a popular sport to play and watch, with many families going to watch baseball games on a Sunday afternoon. Baseball has become an important part of US culture with many baseball terms becoming part of the language and it is the subject of songs, novels and films. Baseball shirts and caps have also become fashionable in many countries. Baseball is played with long wooden **bats** and a small, hard ball, by two teams of nine players each. The **infield** has three **bases** (= bags filled with sand) and a **home plate** arranged in a **diamond**. The **pitcher**, who throws the ball to the **batter**, stands in the centre of the diamond. Each game lasts nine **innings** and in each inning the **visiting team** is first to **bat** (= hit the ball) while the **home team** plays defense. Players bat in turn but when a team has three **outs** it must let the other side bat. If a batter hits the ball and it is not caught in the air for an out, he runs to **first base**. If the ball is thrown to first base before he gets there, he is out and if not, he then tries to run to **second base**, **third base** and back to home for a **run** while other players bat. The team that scores the most **runs** is the winner.

Major League Baseball is organized into the **American League** and the **National League** and the season lasts from April to October. At the end of the season, the four best teams in each league play to decide which two teams will go forward to the **World Series**. Well-known teams include New York **Yankees**, the Boston Red Sox, the Cleveland Indians, the Detroit Tigers, the Chicago Cubs, the St Louis Cardinals, the Atlanta Braves and the Los Angeles Dodgers.

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1. **[uncountable]** an outdoor game between two teams of nine players, in which players try to get points by hitting a ball and running around four **bases**
2. **[countable]** the ball used in baseball

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