

## ***Baseball Jargon***

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Each of the following definitions suggests a word or phrase that is also a commonly used baseball term. How many can you identify? All the answers are different.

1. Bedtime alcoholic drink
2. Benny Goodman's brand of music
3. Boat fashioned from a hollow log
4. Brownies-to-be
5. Container for pouring liquids
6. Cruise vessel
7. Discarded
8. Double homicide
9. Dracula, e.g.
10. Fabric draped around on the Fourth of July
11. Item on a dinner table
12. Item-by-item summary
13. Mass x acceleration
14. Offering to the gods
15. Playground apparatus
16. Refuse to cooperate or proceed
17. Repugnant
18. Serious motor vehicle offense
19. Souped-up motorcycle
20. Substitute actor who performs dangerous stunts
21. Take a five-finger discount
22. Tricky or concealed drawback
23. Vegetable sometimes baked in a pie with strawberries
24. Where Cinderella danced
25. Work stoppage

Answers:

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| 1.  | Bedtime alcoholic drink                              | <b>Nightcap</b>                    |
| 2.  | Benny Goodman's brand of music                       | <b>Swing</b>                       |
| 3.  | Boat fashioned from a hollow log                     | <b>Dugout</b>                      |
| 4.  | Brownies-to-be                                       | <b>Batter</b>                      |
| 5.  | Container for pouring liquids                        | <b>Pitcher</b>                     |
| 6.  | Cruise vessel  | <b>Liner</b>                       |
| 7.  | Discarded  | <b>Thrown Out</b>                  |
| 8.  | Double homicide                                      | <b>Twin Killing (Double Play)</b>  |
| 9.  | Dracula, e.g.  | <b>Count</b>                       |
| 10. | Fabric draped around on the Fourth of July           | <b>Bunting</b>                     |
| 11. | Item on a dinner table                               | <b>Plate</b>                       |
| 12. | Item-by-item summary                                 | <b>Rundown</b>                     |
| 13. | Mass x acceleration                                  | <b>Force</b>                       |
| 14. | Offering to the gods                                 | <b>Sacrifice</b>                   |
| 15. | Playground apparatus                                 | <b>Slide</b>                       |
| 16. | Refuse to cooperate or proceed                       | <b>Balk</b>                        |
| 17. | Repugnant  | <b>Foul</b>                        |
| 18. | Serious motor vehicle offense                        | <b>Hit and Run</b>                 |
| 19. | Souped-up motorcycle                                 | <b>Chopper</b>                     |
| 20. | Substitute actor who performs dangerous stunts       | <b>Double</b>                      |
| 21. | Take a five-finger discount                          | <b>Steal</b>                       |
| 22. | Tricky or concealed drawback                         | <b>Catch</b>                       |
| 23. | Vegetable sometimes baked in a pie with strawberries | <b>Rhubarb (heated discussion)</b> |
| 24. | Where Cinderella danced                              | <b>Ball</b>                        |
| 25. | Work stoppage  | <b>Strike</b>                      |