

# COMPARE THESE APBA RESULTS WITH THE REAL-LIFE ONES

Many APBA fans keep elaborate complete season records of their league play. Here, partially reproduced, are some of the many such compilations sent us during the past year. Any doubts as to the possibility of completing a full schedule with the APBA Baseball Game must be dispelled by what has been done by these customers, just as their statistics vividly attest also to APBA's realistic reproduction of major league baseball. All the figures in parentheses are the actual real-life statistics for the season represented by these customers' replays.

My friend and I just finished the 1974 season. Los Angeles played Pittsburgh in the NL playoffs. L. A. won 3 to 2 in games. In the AL, Oakland played Baltimore and won 3 games to 1. In the World Series, Oakland defeated Los Angeles 4 games to 2. Here are my final standings and statistics:

American League				National League			
East	Won	Lost	GB	West	Won	Lost	GB
Baltimore	93(91)	69(71)	—	Los Angeles	104(102)	58(60)	—
New York	90(89)	72(73)	3(2)	Cincinnati	99(98)	63(64)	5(4)
Boston	84(84)	78(78)	9(7)	Houston	85(81)	77(81)	19(21)
Milwaukee	78(76)	84(86)	15(15)	Atlanta	84(88)	78(74)	20(14)
Cleveland	77(77)	85(85)	16(14)	San Francisco	74(72)	88(90)	30(30)
Detroit	73(72)	89(90)	20(19)	San Diego	59(60)	103(102)	45(42)
West				National League			
Oakland	92(90)	70(72)	—	East	Won	Lost	GB
Texas	85(84)	77(76)	7(5)	Pittsburgh	89(88)	73(74)	—
Chicago	80(80)	82(80)	12(9)	St. Louis	87(86)	75(75)	2(1 1/2)
Minnesota	80(82)	82(80)	12(8)	Philadelphia	82(80)	80(82)	7(8)
Kansas City	76(77)	86(85)	16(13)	Montreal	81(79)	81(82)	8(8 1/2)
California	66(68)	96(94)	26(22)	New York	72(71)	90(91)	17(17)
				Chicago	64(66)	98(96)	25(22)

BATTING AVERAGE				WINS			
Carew	.368(.364)	Piniella	.304(.305)	Hunter	24-10(25-12)	Jenkins	24-10(25-12)
Orta	.313(.316)	Burroughs	.302(.301)	Jenkins	21-16(22-16)	Tiant	21-15(22-13)
McRae	.308(.310)	Allen	.302(.301)	Bibby	20-18(19-19)		
Randle	.306(.302)	Yastrzemski	.301(.301)				
Maddox	.304(.303)						

EARNED RUN AVERAGE				STRIKEOUTS			
Hunter	2.43(2.49)	Jenkins	2.85(2.83)	Ryan	365(367)		
G. Perry	2.50(2.52)	Ryan	2.86(2.89)	Blayven	251(249)		
Blayven	2.62(2.66)	Tiant	2.88(2.92)	Jenkins	231(225)		
Hassler	2.63(2.61)	J. Perry	2.91(2.96)	Lolich	214(202)		
Fitzmorris	2.82(2.79)	Kaat	2.92(2.92)	G. Perry	213(216)		

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BATTING AVERAGE				WINS			
Garr	.358(.353)	Brock	.313(.306)	Nieko	22-13(20-13)		
Oliver	.330(.321)	Garvey	.311(.312)	Messersmith	20-8(20-6)		
Buckner	.321(.314)	Zisk	.309(.313)	Billingham	19-10(19-11)		
Madlock	.316(.313)	Montanez	.308(.304)	Sutton	18-8(19-9)		
Gross	.314(.314)	Cash	.306(.300)	Carlton	17-12(16-13)		

EARNED RUN AVERAGE				STRIKEOUTS			
Capra	2.32(2.28)	Rooker	2.71(2.77)	Carlton	252(240)		
Nieko	2.40(2.38)	Lonborg	2.73(3.02)	Messersmith	218(221)		
Mattack	2.41(2.41)	McGlothen	2.75(2.70)	Seaver	211(201)		
Marshall	2.48(2.42)	Barr	2.81(2.74)	Nieko	200(195)		
Messersmith	2.65(2.59)	Gullett	2.97(3.04)	Mattack	198(195)		

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Here are my final standings and statistics for the 1974 season for the National League:

East	Won	Lost	Pct.	GB	West	Won	Lost	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	91	71	.562	—	Los Angeles	103	59	.636	—
St. Louis	86	76	.531	5	Cincinnati	95	67	.587	8
Philadelphia	82	80	.506	9	Atlanta	92	70	.568	11
Chicago	75	87	.465	16	Houston	80	82	.494	23
Montreal	70	92	.432	21	San Francisco	72	90	.444	31
New York	65	97	.401	26	San Diego	60	102	.370	43

Los Angeles defeated Pittsburgh 3 games to 2 games in playoffs

BATTING AVERAGE				HOMERUNS				STOLEN BASES			
Garr	.359	Schmidt	38	Brock	125						
Oliver	.336	Bench	36	Morgan	72						
Garvey	.332	Wynn	35	Cedeno	64						
Hebner	.328	L. May	28	Lopes	59						
Morgan	.322	T. Perez	28	Lintz	55						
Gross	.314	Evans	27	Concepcion	49						
Brock	.312	Cedeno	27	Bonds	46						
Montanez	.309	Stargell	25	E. Hernandez	41						
McBride	.309	R. Smith	25	Bowa	41						
Cardenal	.308	Ferguson	24	McBride	40						
Singleton	.308	McCovey	24	Cardenal	38						
R. Smith	.305	Morgan	24	Schmidt	37						
Cash	.304	Hebner	24	Buckner	37						
Schmidt	.304	Monday	24	G. Maddox	32						
Stargell	.304	Simmons	24	W. Davis	32						
Buckner	.303	J. Morales	23	Baker	29						
Madlock	.302	Baker	23	Cash	27						
Monday	.301	Winfield	21	Garr	26						
Watson	.301	Bonds	21	V. Harris	21						
Lopes	.299	Garvey	21	Clines	20						

RBI's				Stargell				Baker				Bailey			
Bench	145	R. Smith	114	Cardenal	97	L. May	94	Staub	94						
Schmidt	131	T. Perez	107	Hebner	97	J. Morales	93	L. May	93						
Garvey	125	Oliver	105	Coy	94	J. Morales	89								
Wynn	120	Cedeno	102	Zisk	94	W. Davis	83								
Simmons	119														

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER—Steve Garvey (36 votes)—.332 BA, 214 hits, 41 doubles, 4 triples, 21 homeruns, 125 RBI's. First runnerup—Lou Brock (35 votes); second runnerup—Mike Schmidt (34 votes); third runnerup—Al Oliver (33 votes); fourth runnerup—Joe Morgan (22 votes); fifth runnerup—Johnny Bench (22 votes); sixth runnerup—Ralph Garr (16 votes).

WINS				WON-LOST PERCENTAGE				EARNED RUN AVERAGE			
Messersmith	23	John	16-2	.889	McGlothen	1.86					
Nieko	22	C. Carroll	12-2	.857	Capra	2.01					
Carlton	22	Messersmith	23-6	.790	Marshall	2.04					
Lonborg	22	Lonborg	22-9	.710	John	2.18					
Rooker	21	Rooker	21-10	.678	Mattack	2.21					
Gullett	20	Gullett	20-10	.667	Nieko	2.24					
McGlothen	20	McGlothen	20-10	.667	Lonborg	2.43					
Sutton	19	Capra	18-9	.667	Messersmith	2.45					
Billingham	19	Sutton	19-10	.656	Morton	2.64					
Morton	19	Carlton	22-12	.647	Barr	2.68					

CY YOUNG AWARD—Andy Messersmith (31 votes)—2.45 ERA, 23 wins, 6 losses, 3 shutouts, 223 strikeouts, 101 walks. First runnerup—Lynn McGlothen (21 votes); second runnerup—Mike Marshall (18 votes).

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Here are my 1971 final season records:

National League—East				National League—West				PLAYOFFS			
Pittsburgh	99-63	Los Angeles	102-60	Pittsburgh	defeated	Los Angeles	3 games to 2 games.				
Chicago	94-69	San Francisco	100-62								
New York	90-72	Atlanta	83-79								
Philadelphia	81-81	Houston	81-81								
St. Louis	69-94	Cincinnati	71-91								
Montreal	64-98	San Diego	61-101								

HOMERUNS				BATTING AVERAGE				EARNED RUN AVERAGE				WINS			
B. Williams	45	Bonds	.360	Sutton	1.78	Jenkins	26-7								
Aaron	44	Rose	.340	Downing	2.17	Seaver	24-5								
E. Williams	41	Garr	.311	Blass	2.34	Blass	20-8								
		Montanez	.302	Seaver	2.61	Downing	20-9								

American League—East				American League—West				Baltimore defeated Oakland				3 games to 0 games.			
Baltimore	105-57	Oakland	100-62												
Detroit	100-62	Chicago	94-67												
Boston	91-71	Minnesota	83-79												
New York	84-77	Kansas City	76-86												
Cleveland	71-91	California	71-91												
Milwaukee	66-96	Texas	57-105												

HOMERUNS				BATTING AVERAGE				EARNED RUN AVERAGE				WINS			
Melton	33	Carew	.396	Palmer	1.71	McNally	27-8								
Allen	31	Burford	.361	Lolich	1.72	Cuellar	24-9								
Jackson	31	Scott	.317	Wood	2.00	Blue	24-9								
Powell	30	B. Robinson	.301	Ryan	3.37	Palmer	23-10								
F. Robinson	27					Wood	23-20								

WORLD SERIES—Pittsburgh defeated Baltimore 4 games to 3 games.

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Final standings of 1961 replay. Started: December 31, 1973; completed: September 18, 1974.

AMERICAN LEAGUE				NATIONAL LEAGUE			
East	Won	Lost	Pct.	West	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	109	53	.673	Los Angeles	103	59	.636
Detroit	101	61	.621	Cincinnati	95	67	.587
Baltimore	95	67	.587	Atlanta	92	70	.568
Chicago	86	83	.506	Houston	80	82	.4



# SEVENTH GAME OF 1975 WORLD SERIES AS PLAYED WITH APBA

In a wild see-saw contest, the Cincinnati Reds topped the Boston Red Sox, 10-8, in the dramatic seventh game of the 1975 World Series. This wasn't the real Series, of course; it was the Series as played with the APBA Major League Baseball Game.

Cincinnati drew first blood in the top of the second when George Foster walked and scored on singles by Dave Concepcion and Ken Griffey off Boston starter Bill Lee.

The Red Sox bounced back with four in the third when Don Gullett ran into control trouble, just as he did in the Series' actual seventh game. He walked Bernie Carbo and, following Denny Doyle's double, he passed Carl Yastrzemski to load the bases. Carlton Fisk cleared them with a three-run triple, and Fred Lynn scored Fisk with a sacrifice fly.

Foster connected for a solo homer in the Reds' fourth to cut the gap to 4-2, but Carbo followed Rick Burleson's single with a circuit shot of his own which kayoed Gullett, and the Sox carried a 6-2 edge into the fifth.

The Reds got close in the fifth inning when pinch-hitter Darrel Chaney doubled and scored on Joe Morgan's single. Morgan promptly stole second and Johnny Bench doubled him home, and that was all for Lee. Tony Perez greeted reliever Reggie Cleveland with a run-scoring single, and the Reds trailed by one at 6-5.

But Clay Carroll walked Yastrzemski with one out in the home seventh, and one out later rookie Lynn blasted the Red Sox' second homer of the day to make it 8-5.

The Reds, though, just weren't to be denied. Perez led off the eighth with a double and Boston's APBA manager replaced Cleveland with Dick Drago. Drago couldn't survive the inning. Concepcion singled, with Perez stopping at third, and Griffey doubled home a pair. Dan Driessen, pinch-hitting for Carroll, drilled a clutch single to tie the score and Roger Moret relieved Drago.

Moret retired Pete Rose to end the eighth with the score 8-8, but walked Morgan to start the ninth. Rick Wise replaced him and Morgan stole second, his third steal of the game. Wise issued an intentional walk to Bench and surrendered run-scoring singles to Perez and Foster to conclude the scoring.

Rawly Eastwick was touched for singles by Carbo and Fisk in the ninth, and Cincinnati's APBA manager went to lefty ace

Will McEnaney with two out. McEnaney wrapped up the Series for the Reds by fanning Lynn with the tying runs aboard.

Another replay, naturally, might have produced entirely different results, for no two games are ever the same in APBA. There is no limit to the number of possible outcomes when any two major league teams meet.

REDS	AB	R	H	PO	A	E	RED SOX	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Rose, 3b	4	0	0	0	2	0	Carbo, lf	3	2	2	2	0	0
Morgan, 2b	4	2	2	0	4	0	Doyle, 2b	4	1	1	1	2	0
Bench, c	4	2	2	6	1	0	Yastrzemski, 1b	2	2	1	4	1	0
Perez, 1b	5	1	3	9	0	0	Fisk, c	5	1	2	12	1	0
Foster, lf	4	2	2	6	0	0	Lynn, cf	4	1	1	0	1	0
Concepcion, ss	5	1	3	1	2	0	Petrocelli, 3b	4	0	0	2	1	0
Griffey, rf	5	1	2	1	0	0	Evans, rf	4	0	0	3	1	0
Geronimo, cf	4	0	0	4	0	0	Burleson, ss	4	1	2	2	2	0
Gullett, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	Lee, p	2	0	0	1	0	0
Billingham, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	Cleveland, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
a-Chaney	1	1	1	0	0	0	Drago, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carroll, p	1	0	0	0	1	0	Moret, p	1	0	0	0	1	0
b-Driessen	1	0	1	0	0	0	Wise, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastwick, p	0	0	0	0	0	0							
McEnaney, p	0	0	0	0	0	0							
TOTALS	39	10	16	27	10	0	TOTALS	34	8	9	27	10	0

a—Doubled for Billingham in 5th

b—Singled for Carroll in 8th

Cincinnati (NL) 010 130 032—10 16 0  
Boston (AL) 004 200 200—8 9 0

	IP	H	R	ER	KO	BB
Gullett	3 1/3	6	6	6	3	3
Billingham	1/3	1	0	0	0	0
Carroll	3 1/3	1	2	2	1	2
Eastwick (Winner)	1 2/3	1	2	2	1	2
McEnaney	1/3	0	0	0	1	0
Lee	4 1/3	8	5	5	5	1
Cleveland	2 2/3	3	2	2	3	1
Drago	2/3	3	1	1	1	0
Moret (Loser)	1/3	0	1	1	0	1
Wise	1	2	1	1	2	1

Bases on Balls—Off Gullett 3 (Carbo, Yastrzemski 2), off Carroll 2 (Doyle, Yastrzemski), off Eastwick 1 (Carbo), off Lee 1 (Foster), off Cleveland 1 (Rose), off Moret 1 (Morgan), off Wise 1 (Bench). Struck Out—By Gullett 3 (Fisk, Petrocelli, Lee), by Carroll 1 (Cleveland), by Eastwick 1 (Yastrzemski), by McEnaney 1 (Lynn), by Lee 5 (Rose, Perez, Geronimo 2, Gullett), by Cleveland 3 (Bench, Griffey, Carroll), by Drago 1 (Foster), by Wise 2 (Concepcion, Griffey). Runs Batted In—Morgan, Bench, Perez 2, Foster 2, Griffey 3, Driessen, Carbo 2, Fisk 3, Lynn 3. Doubles—Bench, Perez, Griffey, Chaney, Carbo, Doyle. Triples—Fisk. Home Runs—Foster, Carbo, Lynn. Stolen Bases—Morgan 3, Concepcion. Caught Stealing—Griffey, Doyle. Sacrifice Fly—Lynn. Left On Base—Cincinnati 8, Boston 6. Double Play—Doyle to Burleson to Yastrzemski.

## TIME DOES NOT LESSEN APBA'S APPEAL

I would like to add my words of congratulations to you for your fine sports games. I first purchased your baseball game 12 years ago when I was ten years old and it, plus your other games, have brought many hours of pleasure to me since. I remember saving up for months to buy what my parents said I would get tired of in a few months, and as of now I still haven't tired a bit. Your games have been used by me for everything from using them for a term paper on statistics and probability to making new friends. I know I am not the only one to tell you that I have countless sets of records of many seasons, and I look forward to compiling many records of many more seasons.

TOM HALL 3625 Branham Road  
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I originally purchased your baseball game many years ago. When I got engaged to marry in 1963 I burned 1951 and 1952 teams, playing boards, etc. (Put away childish things.) I learned recently from a friend who had attended an APBA convention in New York that I made quite a mistake! Thank you very much. I understand there have been substantial changes since 1952, so I will be much interested in examining the game. We never really grow up, do we?

BOB LAMBERT 501 Ballinger  
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Must order new game—other one finally gave out; only lasted 22 years, from father to sons.

JOSEPH T. RAABE 2956 Palma Vista  
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I can't help a little nostalgia as I place this order with you, and I'd like to share it with you. I acquired my first APBA baseball game in the mid-1950's, and though I stopped ordering player sets when I went to

college in 1958, I kept the game (and complete mint-condition player sets for both 1957 and 1958) with me through two cross-country moves, college and graduate school, marriage, two children, and several "cleaning-out" sessions. Somehow, I couldn't forget the fascination APBA always held. In fact, as I worked toward and eventually earned my Ph.D. in mathematics, my appreciation for the statistical accuracy of APBA grew. As a mathematician, I'm fascinated with the skill with which you have handled the probabilistic problems. As a father, I'm always looking for gift ideas for my son. And, as an APBA "old-timer," I still find them a heck of a lot of fun!

CHARLES C. HARNER, 876 Meadow Wood Lane  
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May I commend you on what I feel to be outstanding products in the world of games. I first played your baseball game when I was 8; since then, I have also enjoyed your football, golf and basketball games. I am now 22, and still find your games most entertaining. Thank you again.

BRUCE LINWOOD 2011 - 3rd Ave., South #337  
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I'm only 12 years old, but I've bought your game since I was 9. Your game is so exciting. Me and my friends have spent hours sharing this great table-top game! First, I bought the 1973 and 1974 season, and I wish to buy the '75 season this year. This year has been the best yet. I received your 1930 cards in five days and have started tournaments and leagues. I think playing old seasons is great! It is the best thing that has come along in table-top games in years.

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Our customers are our best salesmen. Every year we receive thousands of letters from those who should know best whether APBA is superior to all other baseball games. They are the customers themselves. They have tried all kinds of games. Here are excerpts from just a few of last year's letters. (Note that the complete address of each letter-writer is given. These are AUTHENTIC unsolicited testimonials.)

I'd like to thank you for the hours of enjoyment your game has given me. I bought it my freshman year in high school and for two years drowned myself in various solitaire leagues. Then I introduced my three close friends to it and they became more fanatical than me. So for the last two summers we've played a head-to-head draft league. We've thrilled to such moments as Johnny Bench's four-homer game, Nolan Ryan's two no-hitters, Clemente's 6-for-6, Wilbur Wood's 31-win season, and Cedeño's 62 doubles. We plan to buy the current set of cards, adding the next ones in April.

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Since purchasing my first APBA Major League Baseball Game back in 1961, I have never had any doubts that yours is the most realistic table game of them all. But through some genius of imagination, you have increased the versatility of the game no end with the addition of your Great Teams of the Past baseball card series. It puts the old-time baseball fan right in the dugout alongside his favorite players from the 20's, 30's, 40's and 50's, and gives him the opportunity to re-live those thrilling days of yesteryear. So send me your Form 75 for an up-to-date list of Great Teams of the Past which are available. As a sports announcer, I am flirting with the idea of playing these old games on the air!

ROBERT G. NORGARD 1516 North Edgewater Dr.  
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I must tell you, since I started playing APBA baseball in 1971, I've had many exciting moments. APBA baseball has added a new dimension to my life.

ROBERT RUSHING 8614 Verlane Dr.  
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I don't have much time to play your game these days, but I still play as often as I can. I am at the All-Star break now. Pittsburgh leads the Cubs in the NL East by 3 games while Cincinnati has a 9½ game lead over Houston in the NL West. There is a tight race in the AL East with Boston leading the pack. Detroit is 1 game out, and Baltimore is 3 games out. Chicago has a comfortable 5½ game lead over the Oakland A's in the AL West. Here are some highlights from APBA Major League Baseball: 123 injuries to date, many ejections, 7 no-hitters (two by Lolich, Detroit—both against California), 3 rain-outs, 9 triple plays, and 1,000,000 hours of enjoyment. Thanks for a super game.

MIKE HOLMES 2745 Park Lane  
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I was introduced to your baseball game by a friend. The first game I played was really exciting. I had the Cincinnati Reds and my friend had the St. Louis Cardinals. It was a tie score until the tenth inning when I broke the tie to win by a score of 3 to 2. The Reds and Cardinals went to the playoffs for the National League. The Reds won the first three games of the series and became the National League Champs. In the American League, the Yankees and the Oakland A's went to the playoffs. The Yankees won the first two games, the A's won the third (thanks to the two run homer hit by the pitcher Holtzman), and then the Yankees took the fourth game which gave them the series. In the World Series, the Reds played the Yankees. The Reds won the first four games and so won the World Series.

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Thank you for giving us another "special" edition of the 1930 baseball season. I only hope that this will become a tradition of a new old season issued each year. It is very gratifying to see the APBA Game Company respond to its customers' wishes. At the same time I am thankful that each such move is taken only after considerable thought. The innovations in your football game have been very good overall, and the projected injury table in baseball sounds terrific. I welcome these additions which make it easier to play competitively without undue outside restrictions to reflect reality. This marks the tenth year I have done business with the APBA Company, and my only regret is that I didn't start fifteen years earlier. In a year of inflation and recession, this is one necessary item for me.

GLENN T. JACKSON 619 N. W. 16th Avenue  
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I was first introduced to your game in 1958. I purchased sets in 1959, 1961, 1962, and 1972. I also have the golf and football games. I was captain of my medical school baseball team and am having a party for that group in about two weeks (May 17), and several members of that group have expressed an interest in the baseball game. I'm delighted that your company is still producing what I consider the greatest sports game of all time. Having played somewhere between 5,000 and 10,000 hours, I feel qualified as an expert.

STEVEN J. SMITH, M.D. A-64  
Surfside, Calif. 90743

I am in the U. S. Air Force and while visiting a friend of mine at McClellan AFB, California, I was turned on to your game. Both my friend and I are avid baseball fans. He has had your games for ten years. He has the Great Teams of the Past, plus any other teams or sets he can purchase. He is in three different leagues and subscribes to the APBA Journal. Our entire vacation was spent playing your game. It was the best vacation I have had in years.

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Keep up the excellent work on compiling the most impressive group of realistic sports games ever created. I will always be grateful for the many hours of enjoyment you have given me, especially your super baseball game. Its spellbinding realism has often seen me play for as long as 5 hours without a stop, and all by myself at times!

CONRAD WIENCKOWSKI 108 Burlington Ave.  
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Please rush game. We need it fast. My wife is a psychiatrist and I am a minister. Because of our work commitments we only have two weeks together for the next three months. We want to play APBA. I want very much to introduce it to her. My brother and I have played for years, but he has our game. Your game is fantastic. Thank you for it.

REV. DAVID KRUECKEBERG 1300 Knollwood Lodge Rd.  
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Incidentally, your baseball game is now coming with me to the third state I've lived in over the 13 years I've owned it. It's a great game . . . and if I move again, it will move with me. One other comment I must make: you have provided excellent service regarding new cards for the baseball game. You really know how to keep a customer happy . . . with a great game and super service. Thank you for both.

JAMES R. CAMPBELL 7956 Market St., Apt. 12  
Youngstown, Ohio 44512



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Your company is the real world of professional sports to me — the real athletes just go through the process of playing out their seasons to provide us with APBA cards. After playing for 22 years I can truly say that nothing I do in life gives me the relaxation and enjoyment of your sports games. With your games I am right there in the stands as once again Bob Feller duels Joe DiMaggio or Y. A. Tittle throws a long touchdown pass or George Mikan sinks a shot from the key. I almost stand up and cheer as Man O' War and Citation come down the stretch neck and neck or groan in despair as Phil Rizzuto and Jerry Coleman turn another double play snuffing out a Dodger rally. Although these athletes have long since retired, they live again in APBA. This is the true thrill APBA provides. Thanks for allowing me to experience it.

BOB GODBY 1040 St. Paul Street  
Peterborough, Ontario,  
CANADA K9H 6J8

I received the cards for the 1930 baseball season and your latest set of Great Teams of the Past last week. They are simply incredible, especially the 1930 set. One cannot really put the awesome power of the batters during the 1930 season in its proper perspective with relation to modern-day ball merely by examining the record book. The numbers are cold and lifeless. One can admire them in a detached sort of way, but one can't really feel them. To me APBA provides a way of making the dry world of baseball statistics come alive. Only through APBA can one really know just how amazing the 1930 season was, or, for that matter, just how powerful the '53 Dodger batters were (or how weak that Dodger front-line pitching was). For someone like myself, who does not have sufficient time to play a full major league schedule, your Great Teams give the time to enjoy your game to the fullest.

PHILIP S. FORTUNA 324 Prospect Avenue  
Highland Park, Ill. 60035

My husband and I are avid APBA fans and through the past five years we've gone to pick up the new editions of baseball and football cards personally. Since we have moved to Pittsburgh we may be relying on the mailing list notices more. We are looking forward to many years of APBA enjoyment even though our visits to Lancaster may not be as frequent. You have an outstanding product.

MRS. CAROL CATON 400 Nineteen North Dr., Apt. 2  
Pittsburgh, Penna. 15237

It's been quite a while since you last heard from me because I've been spending all my APBA time with leagues in the mail and solitaire play and such. I think it's about time for some new cards. I am eternally grateful for the hours of enjoyment your game has given me. Keep on keepin' on!

JEFF MESSINGER 7617 N. W. 16th Avenue  
Vancouver, Wash. 98665

I had a copy of your game in 1951 or 1952 when I was only 11 or 12 years old. In all of the years that have gone by I have never seen a game that comes as close to "live action" baseball as the one you manufacture. I now have two boys who are now of the age I was when I owned your game. I am sure that we will gain endless hours of enjoyment from your game just as I did as a child. Again, let me say what a real pleasure it was to talk to you and to find that you are still making the greatest baseball game since the invention of the real thing.

MR. JIM MORRIS 312 East 117th Terrace  
Kansas City, Missouri 64114

Your baseball game is the best table-top game I have ever played. I play every chance I get, which is all the time. I play up to 12 games a day. The best part about it is that it is so realistic. Right now I am about a quarter of the way through the season and it is fantastic. I would like to order four more teams from your Great Teams of the Past collection, the 1946 Boston Red Sox, the 1948 Cleveland Indians, the 1937 New York Yankees and the 1934 St. Louis Cardinals. Thank you for just a terrific game.

TONY PETERSEN 4372 East Floradora  
Fresno, California 93727

I am writing in reference to your APBA Major League Baseball Game. A friend of mine has the game, and it is by far the best game I have ever played. I definitely want to purchase the game, no matter what the cost. Please send me an order form immediately.

GEORGE SPAIR 1219 N. 19th Ave.  
Melrose Park, Ill. 60160

I am writing this letter in accompaniment with my order to convey to you some of the joy your games have brought me. I am the owner of a basketball game, football game (1970 season) and baseball game (1963, 1964, 1965, 1968, 1970 and 1973 seasons). All have brought countless hours of enjoyment, especially the baseball game as I have played the 1968 NL season in its entirety, and the 1970 and 1973 seasons up to a month and a half along. Stats will be forthcoming on the 1968 season. Among the highlights of the 1968 season was Pete Rose copping the batting title on the last day of the season by going 3 for 4 to overcome Clemente of the Pirates. Also, Bob Gibson throwing a no-hitter vs. the Mets on May 17th of the season. Also, three homers and 10 RBI in one game by Jim Ray Hart of the Giants. I am looking forward to use of the new game with revised injury ratings and games with the 1930 and 1949 season teams. I am planning on attending the APBA convention this summer, and hope to see many APBA fans there.

GREG A. HAMBURG 4041 W. Greenwood Place  
Denver, Colorado 90236

I would like to order the '74 season baseball cards for my husband for Father's Day. Unfortunately, it has been a while since he's ordered cards, so we don't have the current prices. As a child and teenager, he was really a great fan of the game, and now that he's an adult he's been kind enough to introduce me to the game. You just wouldn't believe how many enjoyable hours we have with it. You really do a fantastic job. I just can't believe how realistic it is.

MRS. GARY PRIGGE 254 Avenue M West  
Ft. Dodge, Iowa 50501

My season was great! It almost came out perfect. Boston beat the A's in four games, not three; Cincinnati took Pittsburgh in three. In the World Series, it didn't come in perfect, but I thought it was more exciting all the way through. It went 7 games. At first I thought Cincinnati had it won—they won the first three games—but with good moves by the manager the Red Sox won the next four games. Unbelievable? Super. That's what kind of excitement I had throughout the whole season; even had one game that went 23 innings until a win.

JIM HUGHES 1191 Lynhurst Way  
San Jose, Calif. 95118

Our five boys have been enjoying APBA since I can remember—the late fifties as I recall. This is the third set, and they still think it's the greatest game ever!

MRS. J. ROSE 15606 Levan  
Livonia, Michigan 48154