

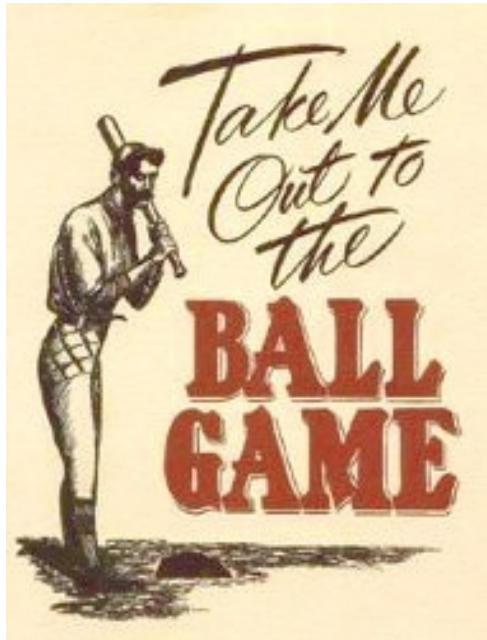


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Baseball fans know the chorus ... but what about the rest of the story?




THE SENSATIONAL BASE BALL SONG

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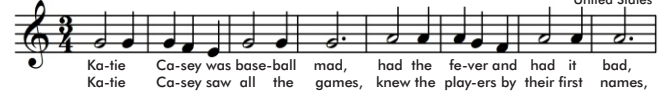


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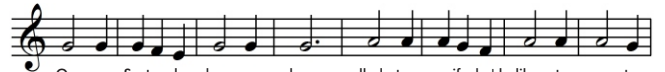
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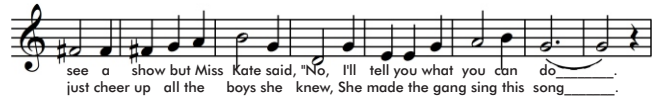
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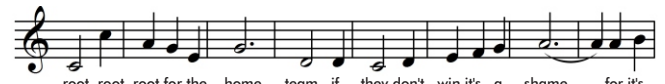


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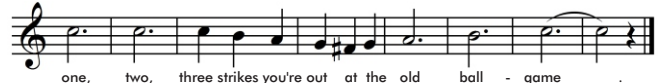
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root, root, root for the home - team, if they don't win it's a shame, for it's



one, two, three strikes you're out at the old ball - game.



Music(C)

C3.1 music used in community
"baseball culture"

C1.1 song: **Take Me Out to the Ballgame**

element focus: timbre

Lesson A each week reviews core material. Year goals are met by completing Lesson A material.

Lesson B offers additional ideas for review,

Warm-Ups(3 minutes)



Beat/Rhythm: Echo Rhythm Clapping Patterns



Pitch: Solfa – Key of C

(Note: Solfa Warm-Ups are available under "Warm-Ups" if your voice needs a rest.)



Body: Stretches

New Song: Take Me Out To the Ball Game



"Stretches are a traditional part of baseball ---did you know that? If you've ever been to a professional baseball game in a big stadium, you'll see the players stretching the arms and legs as part of warming up for the game. And then later in the game, anyone know where the stretches come next? (?????) After more than half of the game has been played, in the middle of the seventh inning, everybody ---the players, the managers, and fans sitting watching -- they all get up and they stretch. Sometimes they dance a bit. And they practically always sing the same song. The first line of the song says " (give students a chance to fill in the blank) Take me out to the ballgame! You know that song? Give it a try.



Sing or Play Music Take Me Out To the Ball Game
mp3 chorus



Key of C

C

B

A

G

F

E

D

C



“That’s not the whole song though. It’s just the chorus. The whole song is a story about a girl who was baseball crazy. Her name was Katie Casey. Katie Casey.

Katie was old enough to go out on dates, but she didn’t want to go to the movies, or to a concert. Katie wanted to go ????? yes, to baseball games.



“We can sing-a-long on the chorus, but just listen to the rest of the song, and try to pick out the words that might be a bit strange or new.



Play Video mp4

Take Me Out To the Ball Game



At the end of the video there are frames of the music/words for each verse. Pause at the first one.

Explore words whose use in this context may be unfamiliar.

e.g. root, beau, fever, gang



“What is the time signature of this song?

Who wrote the words?

(Jack Norworth saw his first Major League game in 1940, Albert Tilzer in 1928.)

Who wrote the music?

When was the song written?

Give a count-in.

Students clap/say rhythm names for the first line.

Students clap/say words for the first line.

“The first line and the third line are nearly the same.

What is different in the music?

How does this change the way it is sung?

(need to not breathe at the end of line 3)



Sing-a-long with the recording or videosong.



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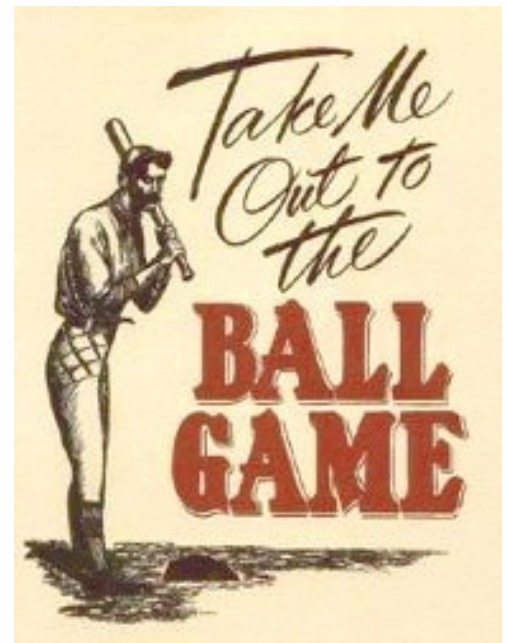
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Take me out to the ball game,
Take me out with the crowd
Buy me some peanuts & crackerjacks,
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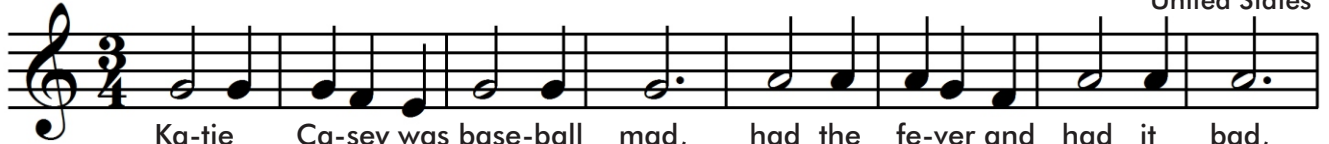
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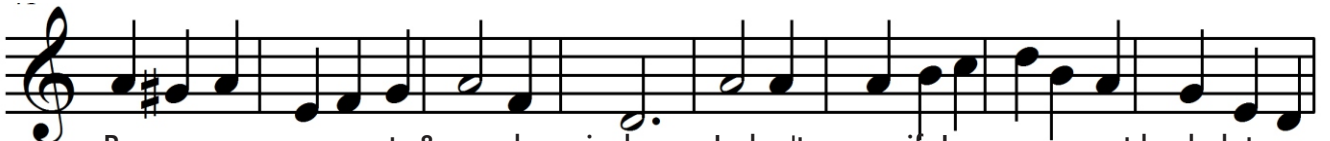


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Years ago, the only musical instrument that was loud enough to be heard all over a baseball stadium was a pipe organ. Wrigley's Field in Chicago installed a pipe organ in 1941 and set a trend.. Not much later, electronic organs were used in smaller stadiums.

The organist's job was to keep the crowd revved up. Choice of music to be played was crucial to crowd excitement. As players walked in to take their place, the organist would accompany them. Eventually, around 1972, individual players came to have their own, signature walk-up songs. In the 1990s, players began to choose their own walk-up songs.

Walk-up songs today tend to be from genres like rap and rock. Some players, however, have fun with their picks --opting for laughter instead of bravado.

1 **“What musical instruments were playing in *Take Me Out To the Ball Game*? Do you need to hear a bit of it again?** (if necessary play the first part – the video includes a picture of the instrument) **Yes, an organ.** (show picture)

“Baseball stadiums can be very big. It used to be that the only instrument everybody could hear was a pipe organ like this one. (explain a bit how music is made on a pipe organ)



When the keyboard is struck, it opens the pipe hole to let air be blown through making sound. The bigger the pipe, the lower the pitch of the sound.

Air has been pushed into the pipes in many different ways over the years ... from people working bellows, to water pressure. After electricity was invented it provided an affordable, simple way to work organs.



2 **“What family of instruments does an organ belong to?** (percussion)
“What other sport traditionally uses an organ to make music? (hockey)

3 Briefly explain the role of an organist in baseball games, leading up to the use of music to introduce baseball plays as they enter the stadium.

4

“These days, it isn’t the organist who always decides what music to use as baseball players walk out onto the field. Many of the players pick songs that make them feel good, so they’ll play well.

If possible, play part of 2 or 3 of the songs in the “top ten” for kid’s baseball teams.

Walk-Out Songs

For some “kid friendly” examples of walk-up songs, you may want to play a couple of the ones in this list. A survey asked parents of kids in sports to find the top pump-up songs for kids.

Ultimate Pump-up Playlist –
The Top 10 Songs for kids teams.

We Will Rock You, Queen
Eye of the Tiger, Survivor
Thunder, Imagine Dragons
Happy, Pharrell Williams
I Gotta Feeling, Black Eyed Peas
Shake It Off, Taylor Swift
Can't Stop The Feeling, Justin Timberlake
Don't Stop Believin', Journey
Fight Song, Rachel Platten
The Final Countdown, Europe

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“You don’t have to be a baseball player to have a “walk-out” song. Maybe your walk-out song is for when you get up in the morning. Or, maybe your walk-out song is for as you go into a classroom for the first time. Walk-out songs can be for anywhere, or anytime you need to feel especially “okay” or need some extra courage.

“When would you like to have a walk-out song played for you? (field ideas)

“What song would you like to hear as your walk-out song? It’s okay if you don’t have an idea right away. Sometimes it takes a bit of thinking.

“I’ll ask again at our next music class, but if you have an idea for your walk-out song now, put your hand up. (ask for a few ideas)

Make a note now
to ask about
“Walk-Out Songs”
in your next music lesson!

6

“Ready for a Seventh Inning Stretch? Stand up!

Lead class through some stretching and/or dancing moves.

Sing the chorus of Take Me Out To the Ball Game.

7th
Inning
Stretch

Just for Fun

Since Canada only has one major league baseball team, it's not playing favourites to suggest that students might enjoy some footage, and singing along with the Blue Jays Song.

Both videos suggested here (at least at the time this was written) do not have ads, and are kid-friendly.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qag6w_Tp50A

blue jays song with words

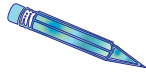
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blue jays song
with film from games and toronto

Enjoy the Repertoire

Student Choice of Song or Dance

New Repertoire

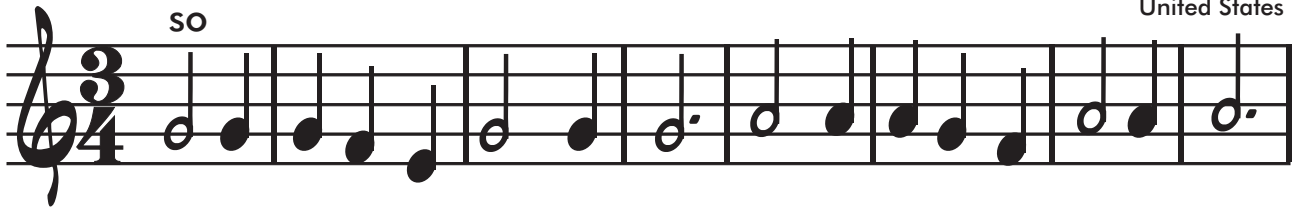


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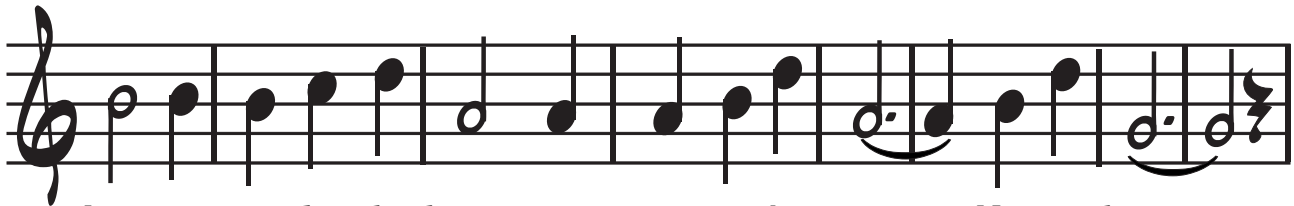
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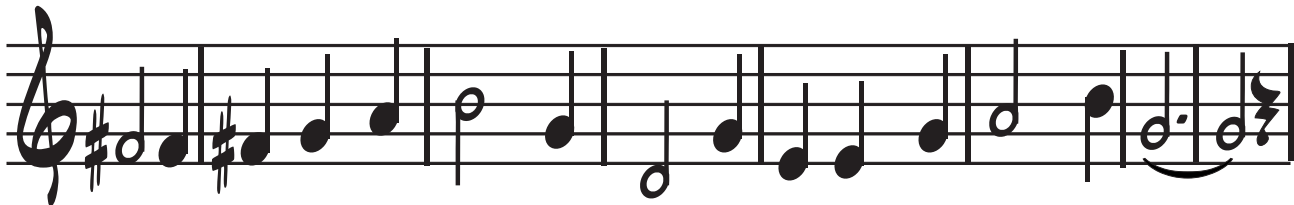
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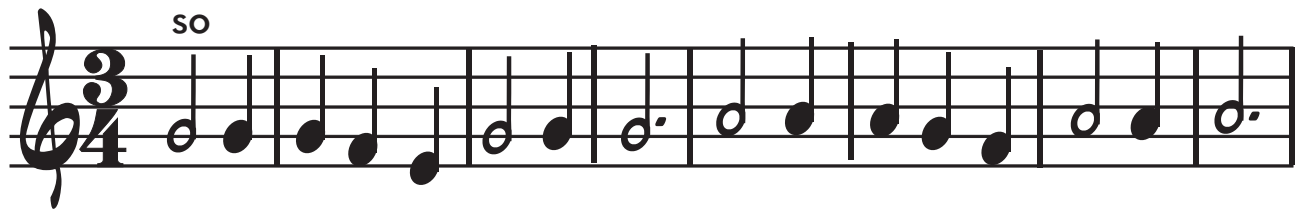
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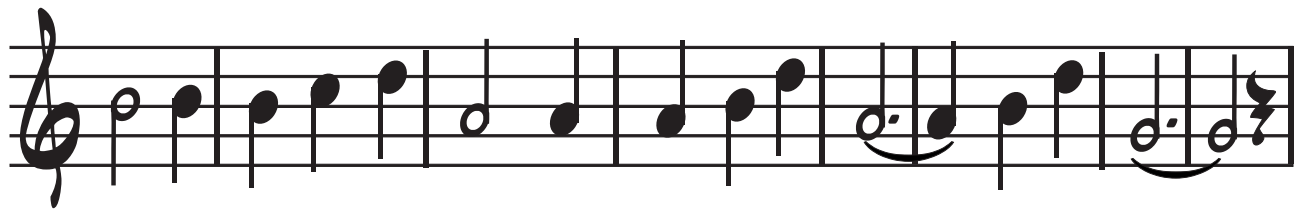
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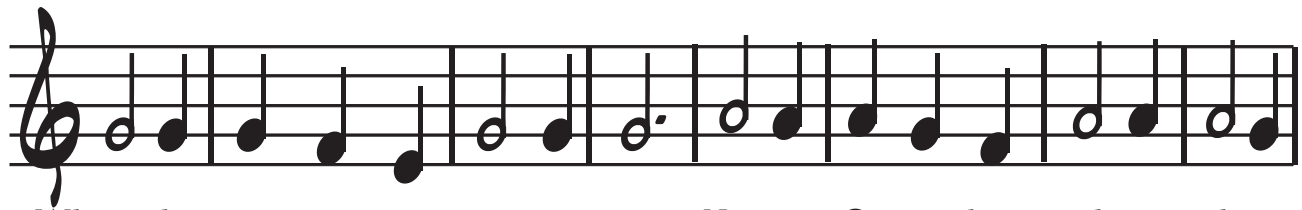
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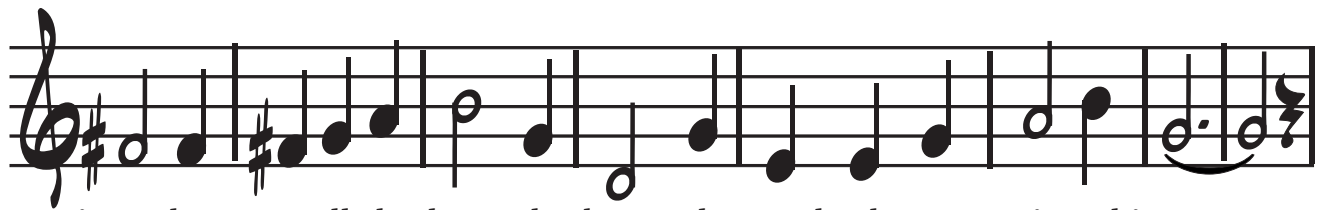
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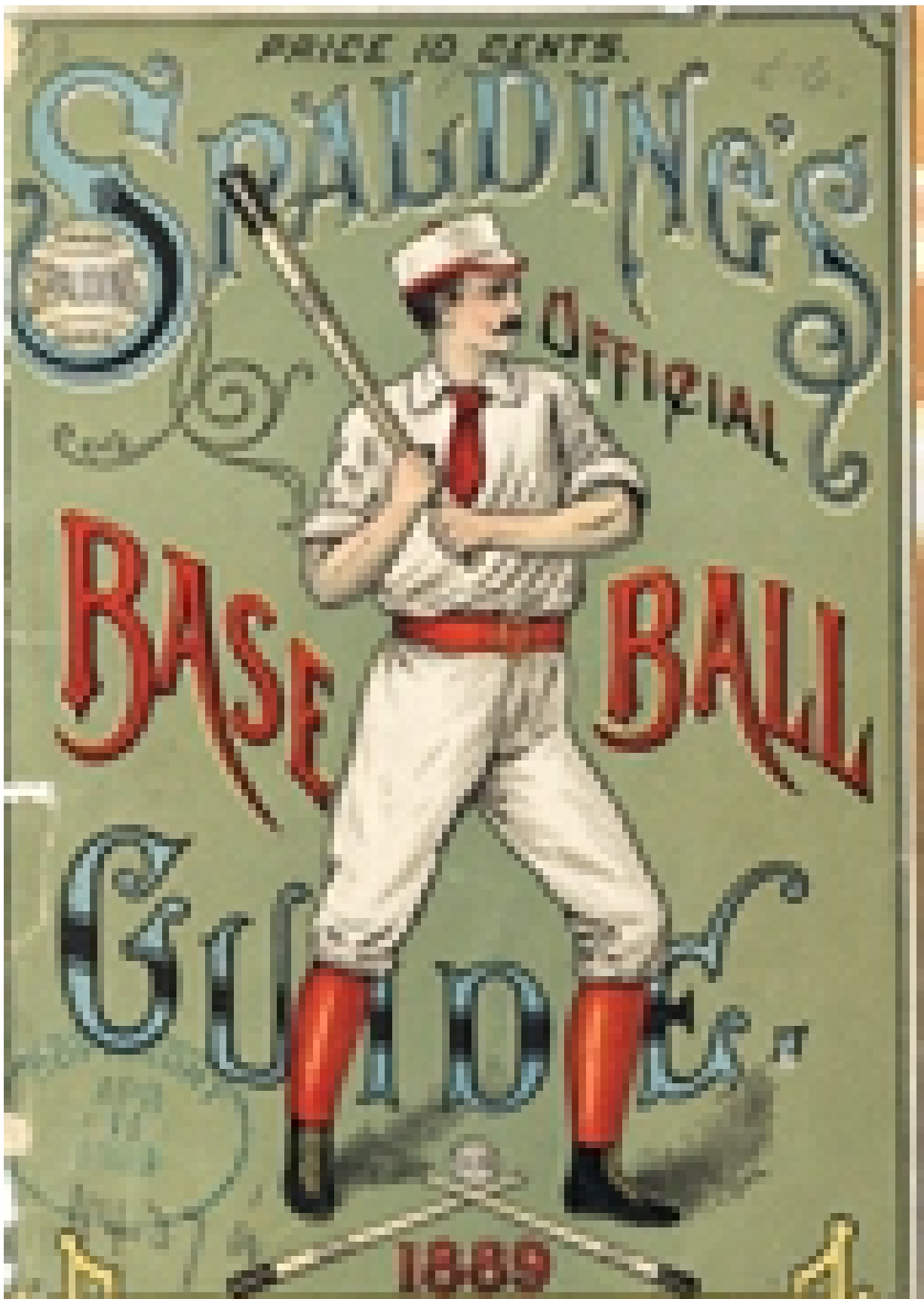
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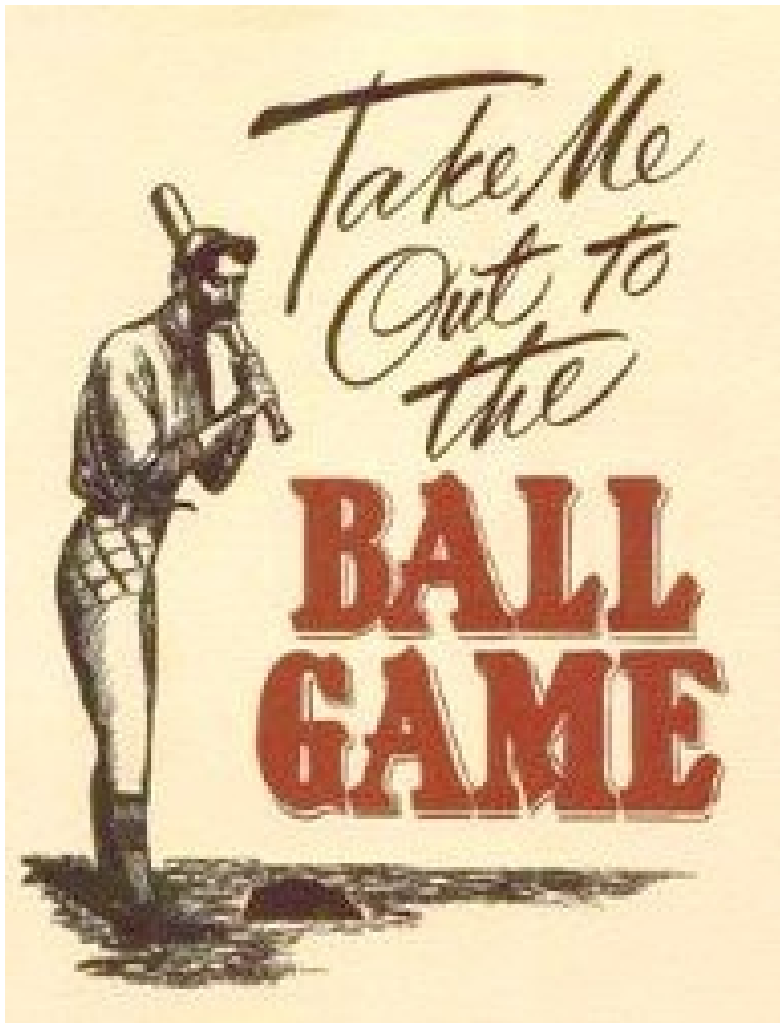
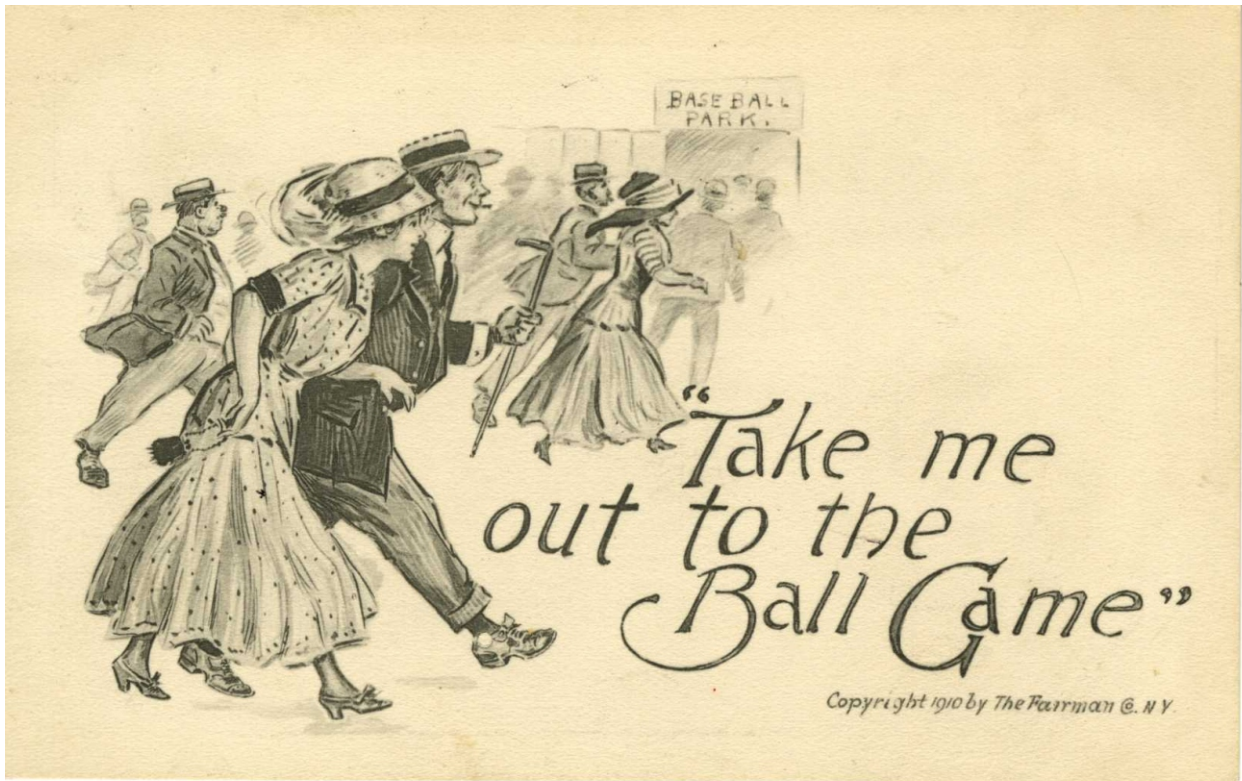
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