America’s Favorite Pastime: Baseball

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***Course Outline (Subject to change)***

*Dates yet to be determined: Miller Park Tour (January 15 or 16)*

**January 2**

* Introduction & syllabus
* Edmodo/KidBlog sign up
* Blog entry: What does baseball mean to you?
* View - *Inning 1: Our Game (1:55)*
* Activity: Facebook MLB Empire?
* Activity: [Batting Averages and More](http://www.pbs.org/teachers/connect/resources/4438/preview/)

**January 3**

* Quiz: Inning 1
* Blog entry: Explain three concepts/ideas/practices you learned while playing Facebook MLB Empire.
* Due: Batting Averages and More assignment
* View - *Inning 2: Something Like A War (1:45)*
* Activity: [Baseball Curses](http://www.pbs.org/baseball-the-tenth-inning/for-educators/seventh-inning-stretch-activities/)

**January 4**

* Quiz: Inning 2
* Blog entry: What are appropriate/inappropriate behavior/questions/comments for guest speakers in our class?
* Due: Baseball Curses presentation/paper
* View - *Inning 3: The Faith of Fifty Million People (1:58)*
* Activity - [Stadium Fever](http://www.pbs.org/baseball-the-tenth-inning/for-educators/seventh-inning-stretch-activities/)

**January 7**

* Quiz: Inning 3
* Blog entry: Should MLB steroid users forfeit records? Why or why not?
* Due: Stadium Fever presentation
* View - *Inning 4: A National Heirloom (1:55)*
* Activity: [Stadium Consultants](http://www.pbs.org/kenburns/baseball/teachers/lesson7.html)

**January 8**

* Quiz: Inning 4
* Blog entry: Besides the game itself, what brings fans to ballparks?
* Due: Stadium Consultants presentation
* View - *Inning 5: Shadow Ball (2:04)*
* Activity: [Baseball hat design](http://awamericanbaseballhistory.wikispaces.com/file/view/ABH%20AGENDA%2011-9-11.pdf)

**January 9**

* Quiz: Inning 5
* Due: Baseball hat designs
* View - *Inning 6: The National Pastime (2:29)*
* Blog Entry: Jackie Robinson discussion questions from Crossing the Line
* Activity: [Crossing the Line: Jackie Robinson](http://www.pbs.org/kenburns/baseball/teachers/lesson5.html)

**January 10**

* Quiz: Inning 6
* Guest Speaker: Mr. Wayne Sankey - MLB Stadiums
* Blog entry: Based on Mr. Wayne Sankey’s presentation, which stadium do you believe is “The Best” of the MLB? Explain.
* Due: Jackie Robinson project
* View - *Inning 7: The Capital of Baseball (2:12)*
* Activity: [The Best of the Best](http://www.pbs.org/kenburns/baseball/teachers/lesson6.html)

**January 11**

* Quiz: Inning 7
* Guest Speaker: Mrs. Amy Williams - Brewer Super Fan
* Blog entry: Highlight three pieces of knowledge/impressions you gained from Mrs. Amy William’s presentation. Back your selections with evidence from her talk.
* View - *Inning 8: A Whole New Ballgame (1:54)*
* Activity: [Mapping Baseball](http://www.pbs.org/kenburns/baseball/teachers/lesson8.html)

**January 14**

* Quiz: Inning 8
* Blog entry: Select a MLB team to move to a new location. Explain why your new location will be better for your team based on today’s activities. (Should include at least three examples)
* Due: Mapping Baseball
* View - *Inning 9: Home (2:26)*
* Activity: [Museum Exhibits](http://www-tc.pbs.org/baseball-the-tenth-inning/media/pdf/museum_exhibits.pdf)

**January 15**

* Miller Park?
* Quiz: Inning 9
* Blog entry: Combining the topics of museum exhibits and women in baseball, research and briefly list three women in history who have made an impact, positive or negative, on the sport.
* Due: Museum Exhibits
* View - *Top of the Tenth (1:58)*
* Activity: [Baseball Heroes](http://www-tc.pbs.org/baseball-the-tenth-inning/media/pdf/baseball_heroes.pdf)

**January 16**

* Miller Park?
* Quiz: Top of the Tenth
* Blog entry: Now that you have studied baseball heroes, think about an individual who is recognized in the world of baseball, but not for heroics or positive impacts. Share your selection as well as evidence to back your pick.
* Due: Baseball Heroes presentation
* View - *Bottom of the Tenth (2:05)*
* Activity: [Artful Deception](http://www-tc.pbs.org/baseball-the-tenth-inning/media/pdf/artful_deception.pdf)

**January 17**

* Quiz: Bottom of the Tenth
* Guest Speaker: Mr. Wayne Sankey
* Blog entry: What was your most favorite activity/topic of the course? Conversely, what was your least favorite activity/topic of the course? Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?
* Due: Artful Deception assignment
* View - *Moneyball*

**January 18**

* Prepare for presentation day
* Last day to submit course work

**January 23**

* Presentation day