

PUKU – SUMMER –

Week 5: Game On!



Game on! Get ready for all things sports this week at Puku Summer Camp. From *bunt* to *crossbar*, we'll focus on vocabulary words related to the wide world of sports. There's fun to be had on and off the field like writing a fan letter to your favorite athlete or hosting your own at-home field day with your family! Even if you don't pick up a bat and ball, there are lots of sports-related activities for you to try.

Vocabulary Lists

Baseball Terms - <https://s.m-w.com/3hcAxPI>

Soccer Terms - <https://s.m-w.com/2Wv1gPF>

*Check out the Sports category in Puku for even more sports vocab lists - Basketball, Ice Hockey, Bowling, Football and more!

Suggested Reading

All Summer Select pages highlight challenging vocabulary for study and discussion questions to help guide conversations about the books.

Summer Ball - <https://s.m-w.com/3h4lrKY>

by Mike Lupica

Summer Ball is a heartwarming coming of age story about unlikely friendships, underdogs, and believing in yourself even when nobody else does.

Mo'ne Davis: Remember My Name: My Story from First Pitch to Game Changer

by Mo'ne Davis | <https://s.m-w.com/2ZFIJUa>

Mo'ne Davis: Remember My Name is the inspirational story of the first girl to pitch a shutout in Little League World Series history.

Vocabulary Activities

Collect Inspiring Quotes

Collect and write down inspiring quotes from your favorite athletes. Keep adding to your list over time. You can practice organizing your list by sport, in alphabetical order, or by date.

Write a Cheer, Poem, or Song About Your Favorite Sport



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Did you know that *Take Me Out to the Ball Game* was written by people who had never been to a baseball game? Try to write a cheer, song, or poem about your favorite sport or team.

Write a Fan Letter and Request an Autograph from an Athlete

Pick your favorite player from any major sport and write them a fan letter. Share the reasons why they're your favorite player or comment on a great play they made. Remember to include an extra envelope with your address and a stamp if you request an autograph. You can find team/stadium addresses on their respective websites. Mail your letter to:

Player's Name

% Team Name

Street Address

City, State Zip Code

Other fun activities

- Design your own jersey or team logo. You can redesign your favorite team's uniform and logo or create a design for a completely new team that you name.
- Look up Guinness World Records related to sports. <https://s.m-w.com/32rE3lp>
- Host your own field day with your family or friends. You can include events like a three-legged race, a water balloon toss, an egg/spoon race, potato sack race, balloon pop race, dizzy bat race, and whatever else you can come up with.
- Make your own obstacle course. Use whatever you have on hand. Your kitchen table just became a tunnel to crawl through and your laundry basket just became the basket for rolled up (clean hopefully) socks. Be creative!
- Invent your own sport. Start from scratch and design the field/court and write out instructions for how to play and the rules. Have your friends and family over to play with you and test it out.
- Draw your own sports card. Whether you play baseball, basketball, soccer or another sport you can design your own card with your picture/photo, sports stats and fun facts about why you like playing sports!

