

FAMOUS BASEBALL TRADES – 49 POINTS TOTAL

Name the players and teams involved in these famous trades (one point for each player; must get both player and team correctly), based on the clues given. Paragraph C allows you an extra point for identifying another player in the trade (if there is no paragraph C, it means that the trade was a straight one for one deal; on some trades, there are more than one prominent player listed on a side. You only need to name one additional player to get the extra point in Paragraph C.) The season is the first year that the players played for their new teams, regardless of when the trade was consummated. (Example: a trade consummated during the winter of 1975 would be considered a 1976 trade, as would a trade consummated during the middle of that season).

1. 1966: A. The first (and only, before Shohei Ohtani) person to win the Most Valuable Player in both leagues; traded for:

B. Right handed pitcher who, while pitching for another team, came within one out of a perfect game, then cursed the umpire who called ball four before retiring the last batter for a no hitter.

C. [Other player involved in the trade]
2. 1964: A. Fleet footed future Hall of Famer who set a single season record for stolen bases (since eclipsed), and had over 3000 hits; traded for:

B. Mundane right handed pitcher for the same team as #1B (when 1B pitched his no-hitter).

C. [Other player involved in the trade]
3. 1960: A. 1959 American League batting champion, last out of two of Sandy Koufax's no-hitters, and the only person to manage the Milwaukee Brewers to the World Series; traded for

B. Recently deceased 1959 American League home run champion; trade later said to have given rise to a curse for this team, which has now gone the longest without winning a World Series.
4. 1972: A. 1972 American League MVP and recent Hall of Fame inductee; traded for.

B. Winner of 288 games and medical pioneer who recently missed election (again) to HOF.

C. [Other player involved in the trade]
5. 2004: A. Player with fifth highest # of lifetime home runs; traded for.

- B. Member of the 30/30 Club; hit HR in Game 7 that (almost) won the 2001 World Series.
 - C. [Other player involved in the trade (technically a PTBNL)]
- 6. 2020: A. 2018 American League MVP; only current position player to have three World Series rings; traded for
 - B. The last out of the 2024 World Series, which gave #6A his third ring; source of amusing Mike Capps anecdote.
 - C. [Other player involved in the trade]
- 7. 1972: A. All-time strikeout leader who pitched seven no-hitters; traded for
 - B. Manager of 1993 pennant winning Philadelphia Phillies.
 - C. [Other player involved in the trade]
- 8. 1972: A. First player ever selected in amateur draft; traded for
 - B. All-time winningest Jewish left-handed pitcher.
- 9. 1978: A. Outfielder who famously rescued American flag; hit pennant-winning HR in 1981 for team that he played against during that incident; traded for
 - B. 1980 National League batting champion; committed most famous World Series error ever.
- 10. 1973: A. First African-American manager in major leagues; traded for
 - B. 1974 N.L. Cy Young runner-up who successfully challenged reserve clause.
 - C. [Other player involved in the trade]
- 11. 1994: A. Bad-ass three time Cy Young award winner and Hall of Famer who nonetheless called the Yankees his Daddy; traded for
 - B. 1990 Rookie of the Year runnerup who stole 50 bases twice yet led league in strikeouts (151) in 1991.
- 12. 1991: A.1. Hall of Fame and famously expectorating second baseman; traded with:
 - A.2. One of only two players to hit a World Series winning walkoff home run;

traded for.

- B.1. Hall of Fame first baseman who hit 493 career home runs; and
 - B.2. Four time All-Star second baseman who made a critical error in Game 7 of the 1997 World Series.
13. 1972: A. Hall of Fame lefthander with 4,136 strikeouts, including 19 in a game that he lost; traded for:
- B. Right handed pitcher who won Game 6 of the 1975 World Series and hit two home runs while pitching a no-hitter in the same game.
14. 1978: A. The answer to 13B above; traded for:
- B. Another Hall of Famer; 1992 American League Cy Young and MVP winner and the last MLB player to be older than me.
 - C. [Other player involved in the trade]
15. A. Two-time consecutive American League MVP and one time holder of the world's most famous asterisk (*); traded for:
- B.1. The only pitcher to pitch a perfect game in the World Series; and
 - B.2. Former Marine and manager of the 1966 World Champions; and
 - B.3. A Marvelous first baseman and star of Lite Beer commercials.
 - C. [Other player involved in the trade]
16. 1999: A. Winner of seven Cy Young Awards and 1986 American League MVP; traded for:
- B. Pitched a perfect game on Yogi Berra Day with B.1. (who attended the same high school in San Diego) in attendance.
 - C. [Other player involved in the trade]
17. 1987: A. Right-handed deadline acquisition whose 9-0 record down the stretch helped his new team win a division title; traded for:
- B. Hall of Fame pitcher and the only player to have over 200 wins and 150 saves; currently a prominent if occasionally annoying television commentator.

ANSWERS (total 49 points)

- 1: Cincinnati/Baltimore
 - A. Frank Robinson
 - B. Milt Pappas
 - C. Dick Simpson, Jack Baldschun
2. Chicago Cubs/St. Louis Cardinals
 - A. Lou Brock
 - B. Ernie Broglio
 - C. Jack Spring, Paul Toth, Doug Clemens, Bobby Shantz
3. Detroit/Cleveland
 - A. Harvey Kuenn
 - B. Rocky Colavito
4. L.A. Dodgers/Chicago White Sox
 - A. Dick Allen
 - B. Tommy John
 - C. Steve Huntz
5. Texas/N.Y. Yankees
 - A. Alex Rodriguez
 - B. Alfonso Soriano
 - C. Joaquin Arias (player to be named later)
6. Boston/L.A. Dodgers
 - A. Mookie Betts
 - B. Alex Verdugo
 - C. Jeter Downs, Connor Wong, David Price
7. California/N.Y. Mets
 - A. Nolan Ryan
 - B. Jim Fregosi
 - C. Lee Stanton, Frank Estrada, Don Rose
8. Kansas City A's/Chicago Cubs
 - A. Rick Monday
 - B. Ken Holtzman
9. Chicago Cubs/L.A. Dodgers
 - A. Rick Monday (again)
 - B. Bill Buckner
 - C. Mike Garman, Ivan deJesus

10. L.A. Dodgers/California
 - A. Frank Robinson (again)
 - B. Andy Messersmith
 - C. Ken McMullen, Billy Grabarkewitz, Mike Strahler, Bobby Valentine
11. L.A. Dodgers/Montreal
 - A. Pedro Martinez
 - B. Delino DeShields Sr.
12. San Diego/Toronto
 - A.1. Roberto Alomar
 - A.2. Joe Carter
 - B.1. Fred McGriff
 - B.2. Tony Fernandez
13. St. Louis/Philadelphia
 - A. Steve Carlton
 - B. Rick Wise
14. Boston/Cleveland
 - A. Rick Wise (again)
 - B. Dennis Eckersley
 - C. Fred Kendall, Bo Diaz, Ted Cox, Mike Paxton
15. K.C. Athletics/N.Y. Yankees
 - A. Roger Maris
 - B.1. Don Larsen
 - B.2. Hank Bauer
 - B.3. Marv Throneberry
 - C. Norm Siebern, Joe DeMaestri, Ken Hadley
16. Toronto/N.Y. Yankees
 - A. Roger Clemens
 - B. David Wells
 - C. Homer Bush, Graeme Lloyd
17. Detroit/Atlanta
 - A. Doyle Alexander
 - B. John Smoltz