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What is a strike in baseball?

A strike is a pitch that is either swung at and missed by the batter, or a pitch that is thrown within the strike zone that the batter does not swing at.

What happens when a batter gets four balls?

When a batter gets four balls, they are awarded first base.

What is a home run?

A home run is a hit that allows the batter to round all the bases and score a run, typically by hitting the ball out of the playing field.

What is the infield fly rule?

The infield fly rule is a rule that prevents the defense from turning a double play on a pop-up hit in the infield when there are runners on first and second base, or the bases are loaded.

What is a double play?

A double play is a defensive play in which two outs are recorded in one continuous play.

What is the purpose of a designated hitter?

The designated hitter (DH) is a player who bats in place of the pitcher in the lineup, allowing for a stronger offensive presence.

What is a balk?

A balk is an illegal motion by the pitcher that can result in base runners advancing.

What is the difference between a fly ball and a ground ball?

A fly ball is a ball that is hit into the air, while a ground ball is a ball that is hit and rolls along the ground.

What does it mean to steal a base?

To steal a base means a base runner advances to the next base while the pitcher is delivering the ball to home plate.

What is the strike zone?

The strike zone is the area over home plate and between the batter's knees and the midpoint of their torso where a pitch must pass to be called a strike.