

# SPORTS TRIVIA QUESTIONS XIV



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1> What sport became popular in the US in the 1930s, in part because of a new shuttlecock invented by Seattle retailer Eddie Bauer?

- a. Badminton
- b. Game hunting
- c. Angling
- d. Running

2> Despite becoming the most decorated figure skater in US history with five World Championships, she never won an Olympic gold. Who?

- a. Michelle Kwan
- b. Tara Lipinsky
- c. Kristi Yamaguchi
- d. Dorothy Hamill

3> In 1987, what first baseman set a season's record when he hit six grand slams and tied another when he homered in eight straight games?

- a. Andre Dawson
- b. Keith Hernandez
- c. Don Mattingly
- d. Wade Boggs

4> Before playing for the St Louis Cardinals, Bob Gibson played a few seasons for what other team?

- a. US Olympic track team
- b. Harlem Globetrotters
- c. Chicago Bears
- d. New York Rangers

5> In 1968, who threw 13 shutouts and set a record with an ERA of just 1.12?

- a. Bob Gibson
- b. Warren Spahn
- c. Sandy Koufax
- d. Don Drysdale

6> Deion Sanders once shuttled back and forth, commuting between his NFL and MLB jobs for what two teams in the same city?

- a. Atlanta Braves and Falcons
- b. New York Mets and Jets
- c. Detroit Tigers and Lions
- d. LA Dodgers and Rams

7> Each of these is a real Olympic mascot. Which one is sometimes called the first-ever Olympic mascot?

- a. Misha the Bear
- b. Amik the Beaver
- c. Waldi the Dachshund
- d. Sam the Eagle

8> Britain's Daley Thompson became the second person to win two straight Olympic decathlons. Which American was the first person to do so?

- a. Bruce Jenner
- b. Bob Mathias
- c. Rafer Johnson
- d. Jim Thorpe

9> First won by France's Maurice Gavin, what sports event was founded by French newspaper editor Henri Desgrange in 1903 as a publicity stunt?

- a. Le Mans
- b. Tour de France
- c. French Open
- d. World Cup of Soccer

10> Often considered the best defensive center fielder to ever play the game,

who was also a hitting powerhouse, setting a record with 793 doubles?

- a. George Sisler
- b. Willie Keeler
- c. Tris Speaker
- d. Buck Ewing

11> Gene Conley was the first pro athlete to be part of two major league championship teams in different sports. Which two teams?

- a. Milwaukee Braves and Boston Celtics
- b. Montreal Canadiens and Philadelphia Warriors
- c. Chicago Bulls and Chicago Bears
- d. Brooklyn Dodgers and Boston Braves

12> He was the first person to hit a major league home run and make a pro football touchdown in the same week ... and he did it twice. Who is he?

- a. Jim Thorpe
- b. Bo Jackson
- c. Deion Sanders
- d. Gene Conley

13> In 1988, Ben Johnson briefly held the world record for running the 100-m dash in 9.79 seconds. Who finally tied that record in 1999?

- a. Maurice Greene
- b. Donovan Bailey
- c. Leroy Burrell
- d. Carl Lewis

14> What Atlanta university cheers on teams called the Stormy Petrels?

- a. Wesleyan College
- b. Oglethorpe University
- c. Morehouse College
- d. Emory University

15> From 1968 to 1996, what team made the NHL playoffs a record 29 straight times, winning two Stanley Cups in the process?

- a. Pittsburgh Penguins
- b. Philadelphia Flyers
- c. Boston Bruins
- d. Edmonton Oilers

**Answers:**

- 1> Badminton - During WWII, he had to shift from real feathers to plastic ones.
- 2> Michelle Kwan - She also set a record for the most perfect 6.0 scores in major figure skating competitions.
- 3> Don Mattingly - His career was cut short by back problems.
- 4> Harlem Globetrotters - He spent his career with the St. Louis Cardinals, leading them to World Series victories in 1964 and 1967.
- 5> Bob Gibson - In the 1968 World Series, he struck out 35 men, including 17 in one game.
- 6> Atlanta Braves and Falcons - Nicknamed Prime Time, he even released a rap album with that title.
- 7> Waldi the Dachshund - He wore a multi-colored sweater at the Munich Olympics.
- 8> Bob Mathias - American Bob Mathias won in 1948 and 1952 and Briton Daley Thompson in 1980 and 1984.
- 9> Tour de France - That paper, L'Auto, was set up to rival Le Velo after the latter had supported Dreyfuss.
- 10> Tris Speaker - He is called 'the greatest center fielder of his day' on his Hall of Fame plaque.
- 11> Milwaukee Braves and Boston Celtics - He was with the Milwaukee Braves in the 1957 World Series and part of three Boston Celtics championship teams from 1959-61.
- 12> Jim Thorpe - He played sporadic major league baseball then joined Canton Bulldogs in what became the NFL.
- 13> Maurice Greene - He sliced the most off the world 100-m mark since the 1960s.
- 14> Oglethorpe University - Petrels are tiny seabirds.
- 15> Boston Bruins - They broke the record held by the St Louis Blues, who did not win a single Stanley Cup in their run.