

## Pittsburgh Pirates Trivia: Questions, Answers, and Facts Printable Trivia Pack

Pittsburgh Pirates trivia explores the history, players, ballparks, and memorable moments of the Pittsburgh-based MLB club. A franchise with roots dating to the 19th century, the Pirates have long been a fixture of the National League and today compete in the NL Central Division.

### HARD PITTSBURGH PIRATES TRIVIA

1. In what year did Pittsburgh enter the National League?

Answer: 1887

2. Before moving into the National League, which league was Pittsburgh leaving behind?

Answer: The American Association

3. Which of these seasons was the first in Pittsburgh's run of three straight National League pennants at the start of the 20th century?

Answer: 1901

4. How many National League batting titles did Honus Wagner win while playing for Pittsburgh?

Answer: Eight

5. Honus Wagner was not just a hitter. How many times did he lead the National League in stolen bases as a Pirate?

Answer: Five times

6. Max Carey piled up a huge theft total in the majors. What was his career stolen-base total?

Answer: 738 stolen bases

7. For the 1930 Pirates, how many runs did Pie Traynor drive in?

Answer: 131 RBIs

8. What is the franchise-record run total scored by the 1927 Pirates?

Answer: 860 runs

9. Who won the 1960 Cy Young Award while pitching for Pittsburgh?

Answer: Vern Law

10. The 1971 Pirates made World Series history with what kind of starting lineup?

Answer: The first all-Black and Latino starting lineup in World Series history

11. Which Pirate took home the National League MVP Award in 1978?

Answer: Dave Parker

12. Dave Parker's back-to-back National League batting-title run began in what year?

Answer: 1977

13. Who threw Pittsburgh's no-hitter on August 9, 1976?

Answer: John Candelaria

14. Which Pirate was named National League Rookie of the Year in 2004?

Answer: Jason Bay

#### FUNNY PITTSBURGH PIRATES TRIVIA

1. Which player was at the center of the accusation that helped make 'Pirates' the club's official nickname?

Answer: Lou Bierbauer

2. In a 1915 multi-player deal that counts among baseball's earliest blockbuster trades, which Pirates pitcher was sent to the Boston Braves?

Answer: Babe Adams

3. Forbes Field did not believe in cozy center field. What distance was center field listed at for much of its history?

Answer: 457 feet

4. Which Hall of Fame Pirate sounds less like a third baseman and more like a dessert order?

Answer: Pie Traynor

5. Which gloriously named 1890s Pirate sounds like he wandered in from a barnyard and still made the roster?

Answer: Chicken Wolf

6. What was the name of the Pirates player whose name sounds more like a house cat than a ballplayer?

Answer: Kitty Bransfield

7. Which Hall of Fame Pirates pitcher carried the nickname 'Deacon'?

Answer: Deacon Phillippe

8. Instead of a fearsome pirate captain, what kind of mascot do the Pirates use?

Answer: A bright green parrot

9. Which former Pirates catcher later had a barbecue stand named after him at the ballpark?

Answer: Manny Sanguill'n

10. Dock Ellis once said the no-hitter ball looked like whose head?

Answer: Richard Nixon's head

11. What distinctive cap style did the Pirates wear in the 1970s, turning the dugout into a fashion experiment?

Answer: Pillbox-style caps

12. The 1979 Pirates were linked with 'We Are Family' but which group recorded the song?

Answer: Sister Sledge

13. In the 2013 Wild Card Game, what one-word chant did Pirates fans roar at the opposing pitcher?

Answer: Cueto

#### FUN PITTSBURGH PIRATES TRIVIA

1. When PNC Park opened, what was its listed seating capacity?

Answer: 38,747

2. Which river runs alongside PNC Park, giving Pirates games a postcard-worthy backdrop?

Answer: Allegheny River

3. Before the Pirates moved into PNC Park, which stadium did they call home?

Answer: Three Rivers Stadium

4. What year did Three Rivers Stadium open its gates?

Answer: 1970

5. What was the very first home park for the Pittsburgh Pirates?

Answer: Recreation Park

6. Which ballpark served as the Pirates' home before Forbes Field took over?

Answer: Exposition Park

7. For a remarkably long stretch from 1909 through 1970, what was the Pirates' home field?

Answer: Forbes Field

8. The Pirates hosted the first World Series game ever played in what year?

Answer: 1903

9. Who did the Pirates face in that 1903 World Series matchup?

Answer: Boston Americans

10. In 1909, how many games did the Pirates win?

Answer: 110 wins

11. The 1925 Pirates stacked up how many wins?

Answer: 105 wins

12. Which Pirate claimed the National League batting title in 1927?

Answer: Paul Waner

13. In 1935, which Pirates star won the NL batting title?

Answer: Arky Vaughan

#### PITTSBURGH PIRATES FAMILY TRIVIA

1. Before they were called the Pirates, what was Pittsburgh's baseball team name?

Answer: The Pittsburgh Alleghenys.

2. In what year did the team adopt the name 'Pirates'?

Answer: 1891.

3. What year did the Pirates win their first World Series title?

Answer: 1909.

4. Who hit the deciding home run in the 1960 World Series for Pittsburgh?

Answer: Bill Mazeroski.

5. Bill Mazeroski's famous 1960 World Series homer came in which game of the series?

Answer: Game 7.

6. Which team did the Pirates beat to win the 1960 World Series?

Answer: The New York Yankees.

7. Roberto Clemente's final regular-season hit gave him exactly how many career hits?

Answer: 3,000 hits.

8. In what year did Roberto Clemente win the National League MVP Award?

Answer: 1966.

9. How many Gold Glove Awards did Roberto Clemente win?

Answer: 12 Gold Glove Awards.

10. Which number did the Pirates retire for Roberto Clemente?

Answer: 21.

11. What catchy nickname was given to the 1979 Pirates?

Answer: The 'We Are Family' team.

12. How many regular-season games did the Pirates win in 1979?

Answer: 98 games.

#### EASY PITTSBURGH PIRATES TRIVIA

1. In what city and state are the Pittsburgh Pirates based?

Answer: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

2. The Pittsburgh Pirates play in which major sports league?

Answer: Major League Baseball

3. Which league are the Pirates a member of?

Answer: National League

4. Which division do the Pirates compete in?

Answer: Central Division

5. What is the name of the Pirates' home ballpark?

Answer: PNC Park

6. What two colors are most associated with the Pittsburgh Pirates?

Answer: Black and gold

7. What is the name of the Pirates' mascot?

Answer: Pirate Parrot

8. In what year was the Pirates franchise founded?

Answer: 1881

9. The Pirates won the World Series in which year: 1979, 1984, or 1991?

Answer: 1979

10. Which Pirates legend played right field for the team?

Answer: Roberto Clemente

11. Who was a longtime star for the Pittsburgh Pirates?

Answer: Willie Stargell

12. Which famous Pittsburgh player was a shortstop?

Answer: Honus Wagner

13. The Pirates won the World Series in what year before 1971 and 1979?

Answer: 1960

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