

## Washington Nationals Trivia: Questions, Answers, and Facts Printable Trivia Pack

Washington Nationals trivia highlights the franchise's place in Washington, D.C., and its role in Major League Baseball's National League East. From the team's early years in the capital to its rise as a championship club, these facts and questions offer an entertaining way to test what you know about the Nationals.

### HARD WASHINGTON NATIONALS TRIVIA

1. Before the club moved to Washington for 2005, in what year was the Montreal Expos franchise originally established?

Answer: 1969

2. Which entity, rather than a private ownership family, controlled Washington's franchise from 2002 until the Lerner purchase closed in 2006?

Answer: Major League Baseball

3. When the Lerner family finalized its purchase of the Nationals in 2006, what was the sale price?

Answer: \$450 million

4. Who was handed the dugout card as the very first manager of the Washington Nationals in 2005?

Answer: Frank Robinson

5. Name the first general manager the franchise had after arriving in Washington.?

Answer: Jim Bowden

6. Washington's inaugural season after relocation ended perfectly balanced. What was the club's final record in 2005?

Answer: 81-81

7. Stephen Strasburg didn't just go early in the 2009 MLB Draft—what exact overall slot did Washington use on him?

Answer: First overall pick

8. A year after Strasburg, the Nationals again held the top draft position. Which draft year did they use the first overall pick on Bryce Harper?

Answer: 2010

9. Anthony Rendon wasn't a No. 1 overall choice. What exact overall pick did Washington use to draft him in 2011?

Answer: Sixth overall

10. In 2008, the Nationals sank to baseball's worst record. What ugly final mark did they post?

Answer: 59-102

11. Who was the manager when Washington captured the 2012 NL East title?

Answer: Davey Johnson

12. Game 7 of the 2019 World Series featured a bullpen twist: which Nationals pitcher got the win in relief?

Answer: Patrick Corbin

13. Name the trio of Nationals pitchers who all signed contracts worth more than \$100 million while with Washington.?

Answer: Max Scherzer, Stephen Strasburg, and Patrick Corbin

14. Which uniform number did the Nationals retire for Ryan Zimmerman in 2024?

Answer: 11

#### FUNNY WASHINGTON NATIONALS TRIVIA

1. At Nationals games, the famous racers are giant whatâ because apparently giant baseballs were too ordinary?

Answer: Oversized presidents.

2. True or false: The Nationals' racing mascots are oversized baseballs with legs.?

Answer: False

3. After years of presidential cardio, Teddy Roosevelt finally won a Racing Presidents race in what year?

Answer: 2012.

4. Which team cheer is the classic go-to for Nationals fans when subtlety has left the building?

Answer: Let's go Nats!

5. What song became the Nationals' clubhouse and fan anthem during the 2019 postseason, to the delight of kids and confusion of opposing pitchers?

Answer: Baby Shark.

6. True or false: 'Baby Shark' was part of the Nationals' 2019 postseason vibe.?

Answer: True

7. Who popularized the Nationals' 2019 Baby Shark crazeâ becoming, in effect, D.C.'s least expected marine biologist?

Answer: Gerardo Parra.

8. The dugout celebration known as the 'Dozier dance' became part of which Nationals season?

Answer: The 2019 season.

9. During the 2019 postseason, what did many Nationals fans wear or wave to lean all the way into the aquatic chaos?

Answer: Shark costumes and shark signs.

10. Why were the Racing Presidents inspired by Washington in the first place?

Answer: Because of Washington's connection to U.S. presidents.

11. The Nationals name wasn't brand-new for the modern club. It had also been used by what?

Answer: Earlier Washington baseball clubs.

12. Which phrase was part of the Nationals' 2019 slogan—a motto with the energy of a pep talk and a clenched jaw?

Answer: Stay in the Fight.

13. What was Washington's record when the 2019 World Series run began, proving calculators can be rude?

Answer: 19-31.

#### FUN WASHINGTON NATIONALS TRIVIA

1. What date marked the Nationals' first regular-season game as Washington, a debut that ended with a win over the Phillies?

Answer: April 4, 2005.

2. Before the regular season even started at Nationals Park, what date did the park host its first game, an exhibition against Baltimore?

Answer: March 30, 2008.

3. In a neat bit of visiting-team trivia, who threw the first pitch in a regular-season game at Nationals Park for Atlanta?

Answer: Tom Glavine.

4. When Stephen Strasburg made his electric MLB debut, how many Pirates did he strike out?

Answer: 14 strikeouts.

5. Who threw the first no-hitter in Nationals history, giving the franchise a very memorable September 28, 2014?

Answer: Jordan Zimmermann.

6. The final out of Jordan Zimmermann's no-hitter came with a bit of movie-ending flair. Who made the diving catch?

Answer: Steven Souza Jr.

7. How many strikeouts did Max Scherzer pile up in his nine-inning masterpiece for Washington on May 11, 2016?

Answer: 20 strikeouts.

8. Which team was on the wrong end of Max Scherzer's 20-strikeout game for Washington?

Answer: The Detroit Tigers.

9. On what date did Max Scherzer throw his first no-hitter for Washington, the one against Pittsburgh?

Answer: June 20, 2015.

10. A perfect game slipped away with two outs in the ninth of Scherzer's 2015 no-hitter. Which batter was hit by the pitch?

Answer: Josiah Tjebata.

11. What date did Max Scherzer throw his second no-hitter for Washington, this time against the Mets?

Answer: October 3, 2015.

12. Who led the National League with 126 RBIs in 2019 for Washington?

Answer: Anthony Rendon.

13. Which Nationals speedster completed the cycle on July 26, 2017?

Answer: Trea Turner.

#### WASHINGTON NATIONALS FAMILY TRIVIA

1. What kind of bird is Screech, the Washington Nationals mascot?

Answer: A bald eagle

2. In what year did Nationals Park open its gates?

Answer: 2008

3. What big milestone did the Nationals reach in 2019 for the first time in franchise history?

Answer: They won the franchise's first World Series title

4. Which Nationals player is famously nicknamed "Mr. National"?

Answer: Ryan Zimmerman

5. During Nationals games, what is the name of the mid-game race featuring famous U.S. presidents?

Answer: The Racing Presidents

6. Which first U.S. president is one of the Nationals' Racing Presidents?

Answer: George Washington

7. Which tall-hatted president joins the Nationals' Racing Presidents lineup?

Answer: Abraham Lincoln

8. Which author of the Declaration of Independence is also one of the Racing Presidents?

Answer: Thomas Jefferson

9. Which Rough Rider-era president races with the Nationals during games?

Answer: Theodore Roosevelt

10. Before Nationals Park, what stadium was the Nationals' first home in Washington?

Answer: RFK Stadium

11. How many seasons did the Nationals play at RFK Stadium before moving into Nationals Park?

Answer: Three seasons

12. True or false: The Nationals won Game 7 of the 2019 World Series at home.?

Answer: False

#### EASY WASHINGTON NATIONALS TRIVIA

1. What city do the Washington Nationals call home?

Answer: Washington, D.C.

2. The Washington Nationals play in which league?

Answer: Major League Baseball

3. Which division do the Nationals compete in?

Answer: National League East

4. What is the name of the Nationals' home ballpark?

Answer: Nationals Park

5. In what year did the Washington Nationals win the World Series?

Answer: 2019

6. What year did the franchise move to Washington?

Answer: 2005

7. Before becoming the Washington Nationals, what was the franchise called?

Answer: Montreal Expos

8. Which set of colors is part of the Nationals' primary look?

Answer: red, white, and navy blue

9. What letter-style logo appears on the Nationals' main cap?

Answer: curly W

10. What's the name of the Nationals' mascot?

Answer: Screech

11. Who was the first player drafted by the Nationals after the move to Washington?

Answer: Ryan Zimmerman

12. Which pitcher made his MLB debut with Washington in 2010?

Answer: Stephen Strasburg

13. Who won the National League MVP Award with Washington in 2015?

Answer: Bryce Harper

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