

## **Sports Uniform Before and After**

Read the text carefully.

Before 1849, there were no baseball uniforms. Players wore their own uniforms with no numbers or players' names. The first baseball uniform had pants made of blue wool, white shirts, and simple straw hats. In the 1880s players wore striped uniforms for the first time. In 1882 teams started to wear uniforms that include stockings to differentiate one club from another.

Baseball uniforms have changed many times over the years. Today, baseball uniforms are very different. The players wear pants with belts, caps, t-shirts or shirts with numbers and teams' names. The whole uniform is made of light fabric, this keeps baseball players comfortable when they run. Each team has its own colour, but white is still preferable for many teams. For example, the New York Mets team wears striped, white shirts and pants with blue caps. After all, these uniforms will change, too. Players need uniforms that are practical and in fashion.

Answer the following questions.

1- Give an example of a clothing item of the first baseball uniform.

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2- When did baseball players start to wear striped uniforms?

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3- What is the baseball uniform made of, nowadays?

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4- The writer said, "these uniforms will change, too." How do you think they will change?

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