

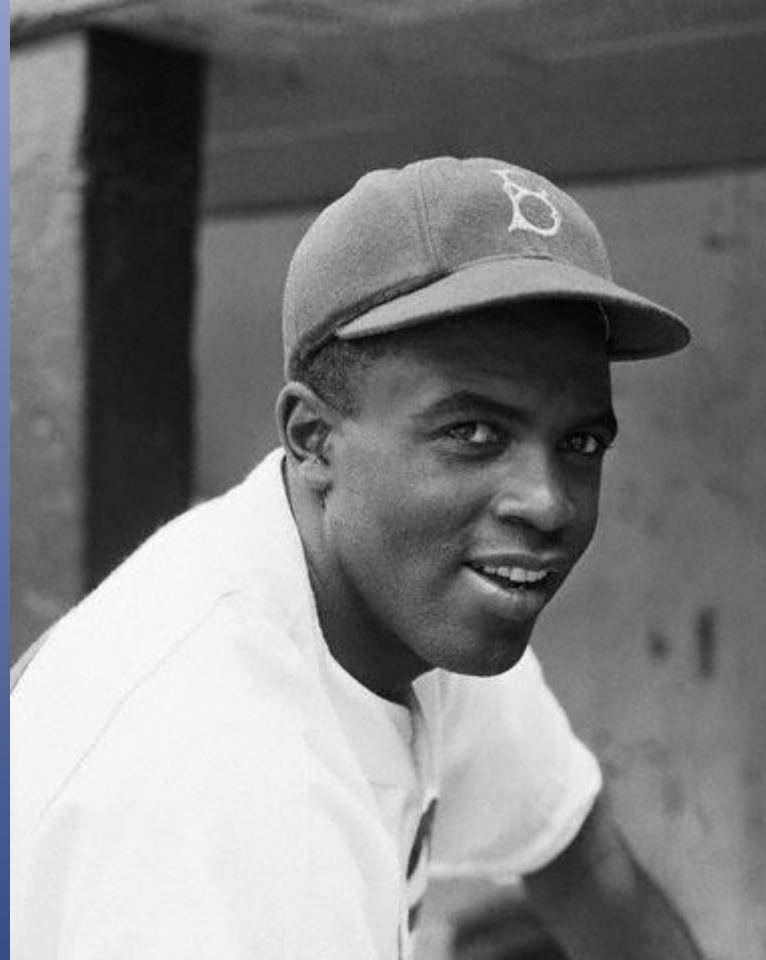
# Jackie Robinson #42

Breaking the Color Barrier

# Main Points

- Jackie Robinson was the person to break the color barrier in Major League Baseball because of his:
  - Baseball talent
  - Determination to help achieve civil rights
  - Self ambition to overcome all doubters
  - Lastly, proof that the American society recognized him as an icon for his achievements

# Brooklyn Dodgers



# Civil Rights



# 1955 Dodgers



- “Jackie challenged the dark skies of intolerance and frustration and proved that the fight for equality could be solved not only using politics.” –Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

- “ Robinsons baseball efforts were a monumental step in the civil rights revolution and in America and his accomplishments allowed black and white Americans to be more respectful and open to one another and more appreciative of everyone’s abilities.” – Historian Doris Kearns Goodwin (Kinsman, Jackie Robinson’s accomplishment reached beyond the seats accessed Nov. 15, 2010)

# Jackie Robinson Day





Prince Fielder  
Milwaukee Brewer 1<sup>st</sup> Baseman



# Review of Main Points

- Hopefully at this point I've opened your eyes toward Jackie Robinson's:
  - Baseball Talent
  - Civil rights motivation
  - Ambition to quiet all doubters
  - And of course how he was recognized for creating a new image for America's past time

# Call To Action

- Go out and buy baseball tickets. For the brewers or whoever your favorite team may be and see first hand how exciting baseball has become because of one man.
- If your not a baseball fan then I only ask one thing. Tune in April 15