

# Baseball

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The game of baseball is the king  
Of all the games we play  
And it is one pursuit that is  
Distinctly U.S.A.

The people swarm into the stands  
To watch their favorite teams  
And munch their hot dogs when their lungs  
Are not engaged in screams  
The pitcher hurls the horsehide and  
The batter gets a hit  
Or else the ball goes sailing and  
Some fielder smothers it  
A clever runner steals a base  
A player takes a walk  
Or managers and umpires  
Decide to have a talk  
The crowd is gay or gloomy or  
Completely in suspense  
But it goes wild when someone knocks  
The ball beyond the fence.