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LANGUAGE OF BASEBALL II

DIRECTIONS: Baseball has its own language. It uses tons of words that you may recognize, but when put in baseball context they sound a little funny. We're going to give you 10 baseball words or phrases and define them for you. Then, you're going to fill in the sentences below with the appropriate word or phrase.

ACE: A team's No. 1 starting pitcher.

AROUND THE HORN: A double play that begins with the third baseman and goes to second and then to first.

BALTIMORE CHOP: A ground ball that hits in front of or off of home plate and hops over the infielder's head.

BATTERY: A pitcher and catcher pairing.

CELLAR: Last place.

CYCLE: When a batter hits a single, double, triple and homer in the same game.

DINGER: A home run.

FREE BASEBALL: Extra innings.

PAINTING THE BLACK: When a pitcher throws the ball over the edge of the plate.

SOUTHPAW: A left-handed pitcher.

1. The Yankees lost their 10th game in a row to move into the _____ of the division.
2. We've got _____ coming up as this game moves to the 10th inning at Frontier Field.
3. Jake Cave had a great game, coming up just a double short of a _____.
4. The Red Wings will send their _____ to the mound on Opening Day.
5. Jose Berrios induced an _____ double play to get the Wings out of a jam in the 5th inning.
6. A three-run _____ by Brent Rooker extended the Wings lead in the fourth inning.
7. Nick Gordon reached base on a _____ to the right side in the first inning.
8. The Red Wings have three _____ in their starting rotation.
9. The Wings pitcher has been striking out hitters all afternoon by _____.
10. The _____ of Johnson and Smith have worked great together all season long.