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12:00pm

History Detectives
4th – 8th grades.

Tukufu Zuberi tallies the facts on a 1940s Jackie Robinson All-Stars scorecard. Black and white athletes played this game before Robinson became the first black major league baseball player. What role did this game play in the integration of major league baseball? Then, we see the name 'Toby' worked into the weave of this basket. Could that be Toby Riddle, the woman congress honored as a heroine of the Indian Wars of the American West? And, why would J. Edgar Hoover endorse a crime radio drama? Does the script portray actual events?

After watching this episode, choose from the following questions and/or tasks to extend your learning

Question Box 1

- Explain the significance of the Jackie Robinson All-stars scorecard in the episode.
- What role did the All-stars game play in the integration of major league baseball?
- Who was Toby Riddle and why is she an important figure in history?
- Describe the basket investigated in the episode. Use descriptive language and key details in your answer.
- Who was J. Edgar Hoover and what was his involvement with the crime radio drama in this episode?
- What evidence did the History Detectives use to determine if the radio drama was a script portraying actual events?

Question Box 2

- Which segment in this episode did you find most interesting and why?
- What part of the story do you want to know more about?
- What are your thoughts about Jackie Robinson and his impact on the professional world of sports?

Box 3 (Tasks)

- Research the Negro Leagues. Present your research in an interesting way. Make sure to discuss the league's origins and what becomes of the Negro Leagues after Jackie Robinson integrates baseball.
- Research the Modoc Wars. What happened to the Modoc people after the wars?
- Create a timeline of significant events that occur for the FBI while J. Edgar Hoover was director
- How was J. Edgar Hoover able to keep his job as FDR became president? What

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happens to Hoover that he goes from almost being fired to being untouchable?

Box 4 (Enrichment)

- Jackie Robinson's integration of baseball is a momentous occasion for Major League Baseball (MLB). Research the integration of the NBA, the NFL and NHL and/or your favorite sport. Why are the players that integrated these leagues less known than Jackie Robinson?
- Research the Native American's that lived in your area. What is the tribe's history? What stories do they tell of their history? What happened to them as Europeans moved West?
- Check out: <http://www.pbs.org/opb/historydetectives/techniques/>
- After reviewing detective techniques, what's a story in your family's or community's history that you want to know more about it? Use some of the techniques from the site to investigate the mystery. Discuss what you unearthed.

Box 5 (Extend/Real-Life)

- Diversity and inclusion are very important in today's society. To learn more and discover how diversity and inclusion impact everyone complete this online activity: <https://spark.adobe.com/page/NUTcpmlUtJh71/>