

Jackie Robinson

In 1997, Major League Baseball retired Jackie Robinson's number **42**. “Retiring” a number is an honor and means it can no longer be used. No player on any team can wear the number **42** because Jackie Robinson wore **42** when he played baseball in the 1940s and 1950s.



Jackie Robinson was the first African-American man to play in Major League Baseball. In the 1940s and 1950s, African-American were not welcomed in some places. As Jackie traveled to different cities, people would call him names just because of the color of his skin. Jackie carried on and showed incredible bravery through it all. He became a hall-of-fame player and even led his team, the Brooklyn Dodgers, to a World Series Championship. Jackie's courage made it so other African-Americans could play in the Major Leagues.

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