

- spoken of as a player being "in the bucket." (BP)
4. Bushel bucket n Large baseball glove. (SH)
5. Capital H Home run. (SH)
6. Chinese home run Ball hit over the backstop by the batter (see Polish home run). (BV, HW)
7. Christmas time Exclamation to a player who has made a lucky catch (cf. Look what I got, and Merry Christmas). (SH)
8. Clunk vt Hit a pitched baseball hard. (SH)
9. Cracking up Becoming upset. Said by opposing team to annoy a pitcher who is not pitching well, e.g., "Pitcher's cracking up." (BV, BP)
10. Crank vt Hit a pitched baseball hard. (BP, SH)
11. Cream vt Beat by a large margin, e.g., "We creamed them." (see whip). (HW, BP, SH)
12. Double bucket The position of being up to bat third after the current batter; to bat fourth from the point of reference (cf. double hole). Frequently spoken of as being "in the double bucket." (BP)
13. Double deck The position of being up to bat second after the current batter; to bat third from the point of reference. Frequently spoken of as "being on double deck." (HW)
14. Double hole The position of being up to bat third after the current batter; to bat fourth from the point of reference (cf. double bucket). Frequently spoken of as being "in the double hole." (BP, SH)
15. Fourthel deck Up to the bat fourth after the current batter; to bat fifth from the point of reference (cf. double deck). Frequently spoken of as being "on fourthel deck." (BV)
16. Golf vt Swing a bat low while batting, i.e., as in a golf swing. (BP)
17. Granny n Grand slam home run. Home run hit when runners are on all three bases. (BV)
18. Gusher n Base hit. (MB)
19. Head hunter Wild pitcher who either deliberately or accidentally throws at the batter's head. (HW)
20. Hole n Up to bat second after the current batter; to bat third from the point of reference (see double deck). Frequently referred to as being "in the hole." (BP, SH)
21. Hole hole n Up to bat second after the current batter; to bat third from the point of reference (see double hole). (SH)
22. Hole hole hole n Up to bat fourth after the current batter; to bat fifth from the point of reference (see fourthel deck). (SH)
23. Knuckle n Knuckle ball. (BP)
24. Look what I got Exclamation to a player who has made a lucky catch, frequently said in a mocking tone of voice. (cf. Christmas time, and Merry Christmas). (MB)
25. Meat n Easy, slow pitcher. (MB)
26. Merry Christmas Exclamation to a player who has made a lucky catch (cf. Look what I got and Christmas time). (BV, SH)
27. Munch vt Hit a pitched baseball hard. (SH)
28. No batter Exclamation used to indicate that the player currently at bat is not a good hitter. (BV, BP)
29. Polish home run Ball hit by the batter over the backstop (See Chinese home run). (SH)
30. Quadruple bucket n Up to bat fifth after the current batter; to bat sixth from the point of reference (see quadruple deck). (BP)
31. Quadruple deck n Up to bat fourth after the current batter; to bat fifth from the point of reference (cf. quadruple bucket). (BV)
32. Rag arm Pitcher with a weak arm, poor pitcher (see rubber arm). (HW)
33. Ribby n Run batted in or RBI. (SH)
34. Rubber arm Weak, wild pitcher (cf. rag arm). (BV, SH)
35. Triple deck n Up to bat third after the current batter; to bat fourth from the point of reference. (HW)
36. Ups n Turn at bat (plural in form but singular in meaning). (BV)
37. Whiffer n Batter who strikes out frequently. (BV, HW, BP, SH, MB)
38. Whiffleball pitcher Easy, slow pitcher. (HW)

## "Playing Doctor":

### Children's Medical Terminology

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The following "medication list" was compiled by a thirteen-year-old girl, a resident of Merrick, New York, in 1971. It contains thirty-five remedies for ailments that occurred in the course of playing doctor. Several other girls, about three years younger than the informant, assisted in administering the medications. Some of the terms are very close to the names of adult medications; others may be traditional among small groups of doctor-players. I have not yet had the opportunity to do further research in this area, and would welcome information from others.

1. Marquese: n makes breathing easier
2. Bananin: n to unswell
3. Hextra: n for flu and colds
4. Snobbits: n prevents reactions
5. Sleeping: n makes sleep
6. Pannellas: n diabetic pills
7. G-3's: n heart regulators
8. Miaters: n stops bleeding
9. Febintary: n cough syrup
10. Penicillain: n for certain diseases
11. Organic: n helps keep weight regular
12. Solinese: n for Oriental diseases
13. Tafuna: n curbs infection
14. K-12's: n strictly for internal infections
15. Ralenat: n for too much alcohol
16. Capelarys: n joins broken tissues or blood vessels
17. Albetry: n for overdose of any drug
18. Noteacord: n for broken spinal column
19. Heart attacks: n for heart condition
20. Tostinuice: n for concussions
21. Banatison: n to bring about feeling
22. Norgeane: n for premature babies (contains vitamins)
23. Pulse reducers: n to lower pulse
24. Interamitory: n calms down
25. Empores: n for headaches (like aspirin)
26. Relatarse: n for gas attacks
27. Vomedouo: n for bathroom difficulties and vomiting
28. Novacane: n for pain
29. Albetry: n for female bathroom difficulties
30. Penlina: n for male bathroom difficulties
31. Nervous pills: n to calm nerves
32. Danmance: n for abortion patients
33. Bologmy: n for broken bones
34. Plactum: n for dislocated bones
35. Destorian: n for brain tumor