

A Standards-Aligned Educator Guide for Grades 3-7

# The House That Ruth Built

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**Age Range: 3 - 7 years**

**Nonfiction Picture Book**

## About the book:

It's Opening Day! Yankee Stadium towers grand, gleaming, and ready!

On April 18, 1923, the New York Yankees played against the Boston Red Sox in their very first game in the brand-new Yankee Stadium. All the key players were there—future Hall of Famers Babe Ruth, Waite Hoyt, Bob Shawkey, Miller Huggins—and so were the supporters—Eddie Bennett, the legendary Yankee batboy; Jack Lenz, Yankee Stadium's first public announcer; five-year-old Little Ray Kelly, Babe's lucky charm; and more than 70,000 fans! Every person in the stadium on opening day was part of this legendary event, and now you can be too.

With beautiful, true-to-event illustrations reminiscent of Norman Rockwell, and with facts on every page about the stadium, the teams, and that very first fateful game that christened the original Yankee Stadium, *The House That Ruth Built* is the perfect book for kids and baseball fans everywhere. Take a step into the past and watch the baseball greats make history!

## Meet the author - [Kelly Bennett](#):

Kelly Bennett is the author of many award-winning books for children—mostly picture books. Her stories, such as *Not Norman*, *A Goldfish Story*, a Jumpstart Read for the Record book; *Norman*, *One Amazing Goldfish*, *Vampire Baby*; *Your Daddy Was Just Like You & Your Mommy Was Just Like You*; *Dance, Y'all, Dance*; *Dad and Pop*; and *One Day I Went Rambling*, an Illinois Library Association's iREAD selection, celebrate imagination, families, friends, pets... all that goes into being a kid! To learn more, please visit [www.kellybennett.com](http://www.kellybennett.com).

## Meet the illustrator - [Susanna Covelli](#):

Susanna Covelli was born in a small town in Piedmont, Italy, and she has always shown a creative attitude. When choosing her university career, she decided to move to Turin and study architecture at Politecnico. After obtaining an MA in architecture, she followed her passion for art and decided to attend a specialization course in both traditional and digital illustration at Scuola Iternazionale di Comics in Turin. There, she experimented with ink, acrylic painting, oil painting, pastels, watercolors, and Adobe Photoshop. Her art expresses her own imagination and inspiration from nature.

# Timeline of Baseball History

## Objective:

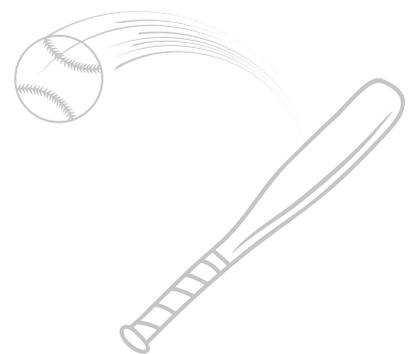
To describe the connection between a series of historical events.

## Materials:

- The Timeline of Baseball History Template (pg. 2)
- The Timeline of Baseball History Cards (pg. 3)
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Markers

## Procedure:

- Print a copy of the Timeline of Baseball History Template and the Timeline of Baseball History Labels.
- Use scissors to trim around the borders of the Timeline of Baseball History Cards.
- Review the layout of the Timeline of Baseball History Template with the students. Point out the dates labeled on the spaces located on the left of the timeline.
- Instruct students to match the dates on the template with those labeled on the Timeline of Baseball History Cards. Use the glue stick to affix the matching History Card in the correct space on the Timeline.
- Encourage students to interpret the message expressed in the History Card by creating an illustration in the spaces provided on the right of the Timeline.
- Have students share their work with the class.



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## Common Core State Anchor Standards:

**Reading: CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.R.2, .R.3.**

**Speaking & Listening: CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.SL.2, SL.4, SL.6.**

# The Timeline of Baseball History

Match History Cards here

1923

1929

1936

1943

1947

Illustrate History Cards here



## The Timeline of Baseball History Cards

**1923**

*The New York Yankees played against the Boston Red Sox in their first game in the brand-new Yankee Stadium.*

**1929**

*August 11, 1929:  
Babe Ruth hits 500th  
career home run.*

**1936**

*The first elections to  
select inductees to the  
Baseball Hall of Fame  
were held.*

**1943**

*The first  
All-American girls'  
team is formed.*

**1947**

*The World Series  
is televised.*