

Be Chart Smart

Directions: Read the Scholastic News Online story about the World Series (“Yankees Win Their 27th World Series”). Then look at the chart below. It lists the 10 Major League Baseball teams that have played most often in the World Series. Use the chart to answer the questions.

Top World Series Teams, 1903 to 2009

TEAM	LEAGUE	NUMBER OF TIMES IN THE WORLD SERIES	NUMBER OF WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIPS	LAST WORLD SERIES WIN
New York Yankees	American	40	27	2009
Los Angeles Dodgers	National	18	6	1988
St. Louis Cardinals	National	17	10	2006
San Francisco Giants	National	16	5	1954
Oakland Athletics	American	14	9	1989
Boston Red Sox	American	11	7	2007
Detroit Tigers	American	10	4	1984
Chicago Cubs	National	10	2	1908
Cincinnati Reds	National	9	5	1990
Atlanta Braves	National	9	3	1995

Source: Baseball Almanac.

- Which team has been in the World Series 10 times and won it 2 times?

- How many years ago did the Atlanta Braves win their last World Series championship?

- Find the team that has played in the World Series twice as many times as the Cincinnati Reds. Which league does that team belong to? _____
- Which team on the chart has the most World Series losses? _____
- Which team on the chart has gone the longest without winning a World Series?

 - How long has it been since that team won? _____
- How many World Series championships have the National League teams on the chart won in all? _____
- How many times have the Detroit Tigers played in the World Series? _____
 - What percent of those times did they win the championship? _____