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1 *R1, R2.*

The batter hits a sinking fly ball to shallow center, for which the center field dives. R2 has gone half way to 3rd, and then returns safely to 2nd base believing the ball to be caught. The umpire rules no catch and R1 slides safely into 2nd. There are now 2 runners on 2nd base. Since he is the following runner, R1 is out when tagged.

2 *Score: 2-1 for the home team.*

During the top of the 8th, the visiting team scores 5 runs. In the bottom of the 8th, the home team scores 1 run. With 1 out, the game is called due to rain. This is a regulation game won by the visiting team 6-3.

3 *R3. 1 out. Count: 1-1.*

On a squeeze play, the batter misses the pitch and then interferes with the catcher. The batter is out for interference and the runner is returned to 3rd base.

4 *R1, R2, R3. 2 out. Count: 3-2.*

The runners are advancing on the pitch. The pitch is called ball four. R2 rounds 3rd and is picked off before R3 crosses the plate. The run counts.

5 The pitcher leaves to play shortstop and a new pitcher enters the game from the bullpen. The DH is lost and either pitcher may bat in the DH spot.

6 On a bunt up first base line, the ball passes the pitcher. Then the batter and pitcher collide and obstruction is signaled. The 1st baseman plays the ball and throws wildly to 1st base. The BR reaches 2nd base safely. The umpire calls time and awards the batter 3rd on the obstruction.

7 BAKER hits a single. DANIEL bats in the place of CHARLES. BAKER steals 2nd. DANIEL singles and BAKER scores. The defense properly appeals. The umpire should call CHARLES out, return BAKER to 2nd, and have DANIEL bat again.

8 *R1, R2.*

On an attempted pick off, R2 ends up in a run down between 2nd and 3rd. R1 advances to 2nd. R2 is obstructed by the 3rd baseman going to 3rd. The 2nd baseman's throw is wild and enters the dugout. Both runners score.

9 The batter hits a ball sharply to RF. The right fielder comes up throwing in attempt to retire the BR. The throw enters the dugout. The throw would have been in time to retire the runner. The BR is awarded 3rd.



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10 *R1.*

On an attempted steal, the pitcher balks on his throw to 1st. The shortstop catches the throw from the 1st baseman and tags R1 after over-sliding 2nd. The play stands. R1 is out.

11 *Inning: 6th.*

JONES enters the game defensively to play 3rd base but is not announced. Before play starts, the manager realizes that the wrong player has entered the game and announces SMITH as the new 3rd baseman. This is legal and JONES remains eligible to enter the game later.

12 The batter's fair ball bounces out of play and he is awarded 2nd base. On his way to 2nd, the batter misses 1st base. After touching 2nd base, the batter goes back and touches 1st base. The batter then returns to 2nd. When the defense properly appeals, the batter is declared out.

13 *Count: 2-0.*

A manager visits his pitcher. Several pitches later, with the count 3-2, the manager requests time and heads for the mound again. After being warned by the umpire that he can't make this trip, the manager returns to the dugout. The pitcher must be removed from the pitching position at the completion of the at-bat.

14 *R3. 1 out.*

The batter hits a deep fly ball to right field, which the right fielder is about to routinely catch. A spectator reaches into the field of play and prevents the catch. R3 was tagging and would have scored easily. The umpire should call time, declare the batter out, and award R3 home.

15 *R1. 0 out.*

The defensive manager legally changes pitchers. Before throwing a pitch, the relief pitcher picks off R1 for the first out of the inning. The manager now wishes to bring in a different pitcher. The umpire allows the pitching substitution.

16 *R1.*

The catcher attempts a pick off play. In making the throw, the catcher's hand hits the umpire's mask and the throw goes wild into right field. R1 ends up at 3rd base. The umpire should ignore the contact and leave R1 at 3rd base.



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17 *R2.*

While running from 2nd base to home, R2 trips and falls over 3rd base. The 3rd base coach helps R2 to his feet, and R2 continues home. R2 is called out. No run scored.

18 *R3. 1 out. Count: 0-0.*

The pitcher delivers an altered ball, which the batter hits. The centre fielder catches the ball. R3 tags and scores. The umpire correctly returns R3 to 3rd and rules that the batter continues to bat with a 1-0 count. However, the offensive manager indicates to the umpire that they would rather keep the results of the play. This is legal, R3 scores, and the batter is out.

19 *Score: 7-2 for the home team after 6 innings.*

In the top of the 7th, the visitors score 4 runs while playing in a light rain. The bases are loaded with 1 out. The lights fail. After 45 minutes, the lights are back on however the field is not playable. The game is called. This is a regulation game won 7-6 by the home team.

20 *R2.*

A line drive deflects off the 3rd baseman's glove, hits R2 and is caught by the shortstop before touching the ground. The umpire rules R2 out for interference and also declares the batter out on the shortstop's catch.

21 *R1.*

The batter hits a double. An outfielder's cut off throw to the shortstop is going over his head. The shortstop throws his glove and hits the ball. R1 continues advancing towards 3rd and is tagged out. The out at 3rd stands.

22 A substitute pitcher enters the game and starts to warm up. Before he pitches to a batter, the game is suspended due to rain. After 30 minutes the game is resumed and another pitcher may now pitch.

23 *R1, R2, R3. 1 out.*

All the runners are running on the pitch while the batter squares and bunts a pop up between the pitcher and the 1st baseman. The pitcher catches the pop up, jogs over and successfully appeals at 1st base that R1 had left early. Three out. Meanwhile, R3 scored prior to the pitcher touching 1st base. The plate umpire rules that R3's run scores. The defense properly appeals at 3rd base that R3 left early. If R3 did leave early, no runs score.



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24 *R1.*

The pitcher balks in an attempted pick off. The ball is thrown into right field. R1 advances to 3rd but misses 2nd. The ball is thrown back to the pitcher, who steps on the rubber and drops the ball. He picks up the ball and throws to 2nd for the appeal. The runner is out.

25 *R1.*

On a hit and run, the batter hits a ground ball to the shortstop who throws the ball to 2nd. R1 is safe. The 2nd baseman's throw to 1st would have been in time to retire the BR but it goes into the dugout. The BR is awarded 2nd base and R1 is awarded 3rd.

26 *R1, R2, R3. 0 out.*

The batter doubles and both R3 and R2 score. R1 is obstructed while rounding 3rd base. He continues home and is called safe at a play at the plate. On the throw home, the BR attempts to go 3rd base. The catcher now throws to 3rd and the BR is declared out. Play stands.

27 The pitching coach asks for time and leaves the dugout to visit his pitcher. In the same inning the 1st baseman, who is also the player manager, goes to the mound and talks to the pitcher. This should be ruled a 2nd trip and the pitcher must be removed.

28 *R1.*

From the rubber, a left hand pitcher attempts a pick off at 1st base. The ball strikes the runner and deflects toward the dugout. While retrieving it, the 1st baseman accidentally kicks the ball into the dugout. R1 should be awarded 3rd base.

29 A 3rd baseman entering the game as an injury replacement is allowed 8 warm up throws.

30 *R1.*

The batter doubles to the fence. After rounding 3rd, R1 collides with the plate umpire covering third base. R1 falls down but scrambles back to 3rd safely. R1 would have easily scored if not for the collision. The plate umpire calls time and awards R1 home due to umpire interference.



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- 31 On a long fly ball, the RF, standing completely in foul territory, deflects the foul ball, over the home run fence in fair territory. This is a home run.
- 32 *R1, R2, R3. 0 out.*
A batted ground ball passes the shortstop and strikes U3. The 2nd baseman would have had a play on the ball. The ball is dead. The batter is awarded 1st base and all runners advance.
- 33 The batter bunts. He tosses his bat, which accidentally hits the ball in fair territory. The ball goes directly to the pitcher, but the throw to 1st pulls the 1st baseman off the bag. The batter is out.
- 34 A batted fly ball to RF hits the fence, bounces back and deflects off the right fielder over the fence in fair territory. Time is called and the BR is awarded 2nd base.
- 35 *R1, R3. 2 out.*
On an attempted double steal, the batter interferes with the catcher. The batter is out.
- 36 *R1, R3. 0 out.*
The batter hits a ground ball. After being called out at 2nd, R1 intentionally interferes with the shortstop who is attempting to turn the double play. The BR is out on the interference by R1 and R3 returns to 3rd.
- 37 *R1, R2. 0 out.*
The batter hits a line drive directly at the shortstop. The catch would be an easy one for the shortstop but the shortstop lets the ball fall out of his glove. The umpire rules that this is an intentionally dropped ball. The umpire calls time and declares the batter out.
- 38 A team is playing with no substitutes left to enter the game and the DH is ejected. The game is forfeited.
- 39 A manager is considered to conclude his visit when he crosses the foul line on the way back to the dugout.
- 40 *R2.*
The pitcher starts his windup. The batter steps out of the batter box without time being granted. The pitcher stops his delivery. A balk is called and R2 is awarded 3rd base.



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41 *R1, R2. 0 out. Count: 1-1.*

The pitcher is in the set position but does not stop in his delivery home. A balk is indicated. The batter hits a high pop up in fair territory, which could be easily caught by the shortstop. The ball is dropped. Both runners were moving on the pitch. R2 scores, and R1 goes to 3rd. The umpire enforces the balk, returning R2 to 3rd and R1 to 2nd. The batter remains at bat with a 1-1 count.

42 *R1. Count: 3-0.*

The pitcher does not stop in his delivery to the plate. The plate umpire calls a balk, but the pitcher delivers the pitch for a called ball. R1 is awarded 2nd and the batter remains at bat with the count 3-0.

43 *R3. 0 out.*

The batter swings and is interfered with by the catcher. Despite the interference, the batter hits a fly ball to centre field and it is caught. R3 legally tags and scores. The manager wants to have the batter awarded 1st base as well as the run scored. The umpire should allow this.

44 *R2, R3. 0 out.*

On a squeeze play, the catcher jumps in front of the plate and catches the ball before the batter has a chance to swing. The umpire should award R3 home, return R2 to 2nd, and award the batter 1st base.

45 *R2.*

The batter hits a line drive that hits the umpire. The umpire was positioned within the infield and the ball did not pass an infielder. The umpire is correct in awarding the BR 1st base and R2 3rd base.

46 *R3.*

A line drive hits 3rd base, then deflects and hits R3 standing on foul territory. The umpire should call the runner out and award the BR 1st base.

47 *R2. Count: 1-1.*

The pitcher goes to his mouth with his pitching hand while standing on the mound. A balk is called and R2 is awarded 3rd base. The batter remains at the plate with a 1-1 count.



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48 *2 out. Count: 1-2.*

The batter swings at strike 3 in the dirt and heads toward the dugout. Just before reaching the dugout, his teammates realize that the ball was not legally caught. The catcher has rolled the ball back to the mound believing that the inning is over. The BR races to 1st base safely. This is legal.

49 *Count: 0-2.*

The batter refuses to step into the batter's box. The umpire orders the pitcher to pitch. The batter steps into the box and hits a single. The umpire should call the batter out.

50 The pitcher intentionally throws at the batter. The umpire ejects the pitcher and his manager. The defensive manager argues that he must be warned before he could be ejected. The umpire made the correct call.