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Swinging for the Fences: The History of Baseball from Sandlots to the Major Leagues

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers may vary but could include reasons such as its rich history, tradition, the excitement of the game, and its ability to bring communities together.
2. Answers may vary, but differences might include playing with basic equipment, different rules, and a slower pace of play.
3. Baseball played a vital role in promoting racial integration by breaking the color barrier through players like Jackie Robinson, fostering inclusivity and diversity in American sports.
4. Modern technology and equipment have improved player performance and fan experience through advancements in equipment design, stadium facilities, and digital media for viewing games.

