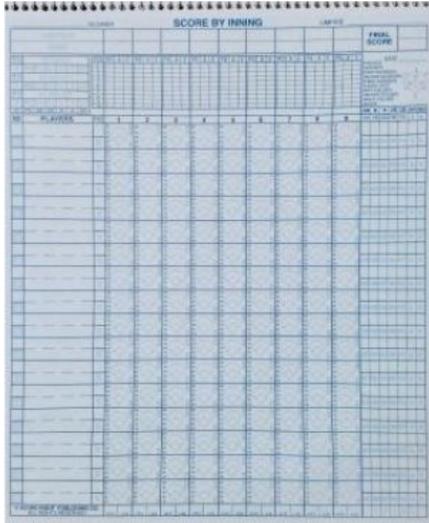


Welcome to the Wonderful World of Baseball Scorekeeping A baller parents :)

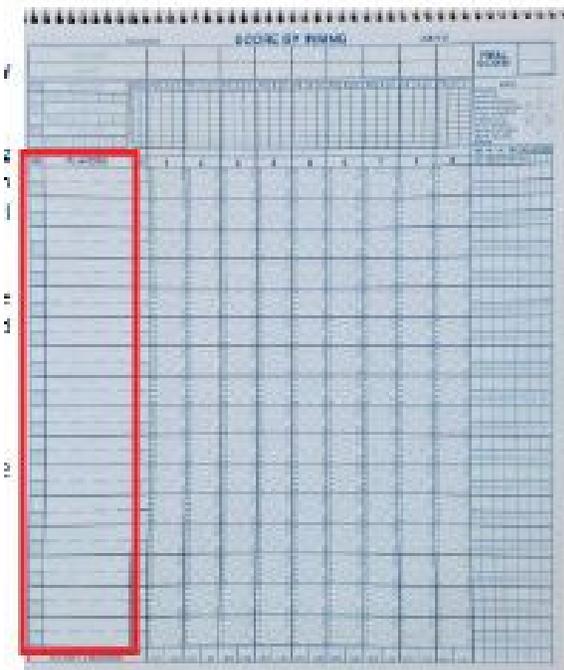
For A Ball we just need the basics - Keep track of Runs and Outs.

(if you want to get all fancy pants by all means....but we do not require any details beyond drawing in the little diamonds and tracking outs.)



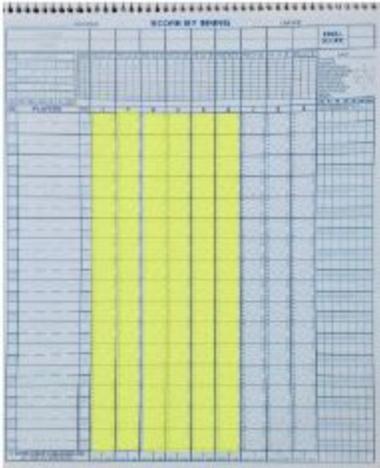
Here is the score book. Looks complicated right?

Don't worry - you can ignore most it :)



Here is where you write the batting order (or "Line Up"). You will receive one for your team from your coach, and one for the other team from their coach or manager. You write the names by the numbers 1 through how every many players you have at your game. You do one sheet for your team and one sheet for the other team. Do it so you can just flip the book over to move between teams when the other team gets up to bat.

The innings run vertical. In A ball we usually only play 4 innings.



A baseball scorebook page titled "RECORD BY INNING". The grid has columns for innings 1 through 9. The first four columns are highlighted in yellow. The rows represent individual batters, with names listed on the left side.

Game set up: record the date, teams involved, and list your batting order.



A baseball scorebook page titled "RECORD BY INNING". Red boxes highlight the "DATE" field, the "HOME" and "AWAY" team names, and the "BATTING ORDER" list on the left side. The batting order list includes: 1. Jones, 2. Bobby, 3. Joe, 4. Jim, 5. Alex, 6. Gordon, 7. Dylan, 8. Steve, 9. Mike, 10. Adam.

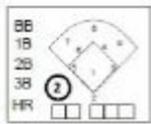
First Batter up - you record what happens in the first box by their name (first inning). And make your way down with each batter.



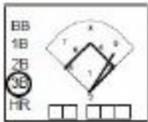
A baseball scorebook page titled "RECORD BY INNING". A red box highlights the name "Steve" in the first row of the batting order list. A red arrow points downwards from this box, indicating the path for recording the first batter's performance across the innings.



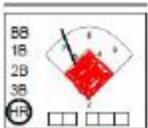
Once the team has 3 outs or maximum of 6 run per inning, you cross off the rest of the inning, flip the book, and score the other team.



In the little boxes - if the batter gets out you write the out in the little circle (1, 2, or 3) In this example this is the second out.



This is what it looks like if the player hit a ball and ran all the way to third base. You just draw lines in between the bases to indicate that is where the player is/got to.



When a player is safe at home - scores a run - you color in the little diamond like so. At the end of the inning you count up these little colored in diamonds and that is how many runs (score) the team gets. The max is 6 per inning - if you get to six let the coaches know.

And there you have it. Not that bad right?

If you are feeling eager you can always check out the next level - A Guide to Scorekeeping for AA and Up on our website www.highlandsbaseball.com