

4. Press **PLAY** on the 410™ Recorder, then press the **RETURN** key on the computer console. The game will load in a few minutes.

DISKETTE

1. Make sure that the computer is **OFF**, all cartridge slots are **EMPTY**, and the 810™ Disk Drive is properly connected.
2. Turn the Disk Drive's power switch **ON**. When the busy light goes out, insert the game diskette into the Disk Drive and close the door.
3. Turn the computer's power switch **ON**. The game will load automatically.

If you have trouble loading the game, please refer to your 410™ or 810™ owner's manual for details.

PRE-GAME OPTIONS

OPTION	GAME
SELECT	1 PLAYER
START	NEXT MENU

1. Press the **OPTION** key on the computer console to choose between playing a **GAME** or taking **BATTING PRACTICE**.
2. Press the **SELECT** key to select between a **1 PLAYER** or **2 PLAYER** game.
3. Press the **START** key to go to the **NEXT MENU** or **PLAY BALL** when you choose the **BATTING PRACTICE** option. If you take **BATTING PRACTICE**, you will face "Heat" Muldoon in a series of random pitches until you press the **OPTION** and **SELECT** keys simultaneously.
4. Plug a joystick controller firmly into jack 1 on the front of the computer console if you are playing solo. Plug a second joystick into jack 2 if two are playing. Hold the controller with the red button in the upper left corner, towards the TV screen.
5. To break out of a game, press the **OPTION** and **SELECT** keys simultaneously any time the **PLAYFIELD** screen is up. Do **NOT** press **SYSTEM RESET**.

6. If you choose to play a GAME, a new menu will come up when you press **START**:

OPTION	HOME	CURVES-LINERS
SELECT	VSTR	HEAT-SLUGGERS
START	PLAY BALL	

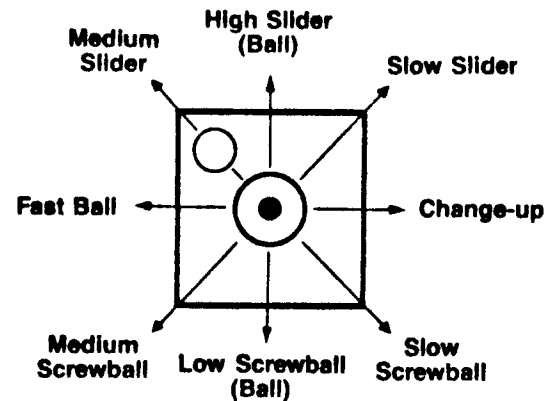
7. The HOME team uses the **OPTION** key to select its starting team and pitcher. The LINERS hit for average; the SLUGGERS hit for the fences.
8. The VISITOR team uses the **SELECT** key to select its starting team and pitcher.
9. Both teams can have the same combinations if you choose. When playing solo against the computer, the scoreboard and menus will read COMP in place of HOME.
10. When both teams have made their selections, press the **START** key to **PLAY BALL!**

PLAY BALL!

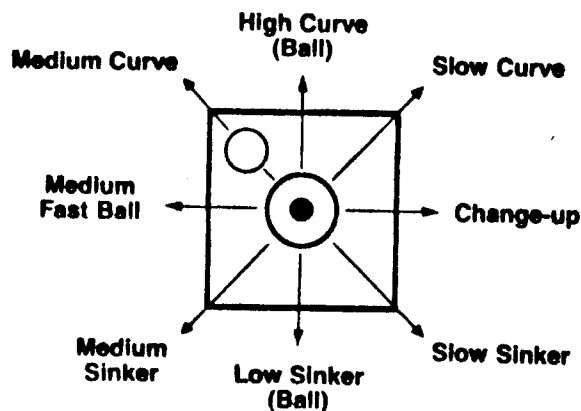
As in real baseball, your goal in Star League™ Baseball is to outscore your opponent in 9 innings (extra innings if necessary). If you beat the computer team, consider yourself a Star Leaguer!

PITCHING & HOLDING RUNNERS

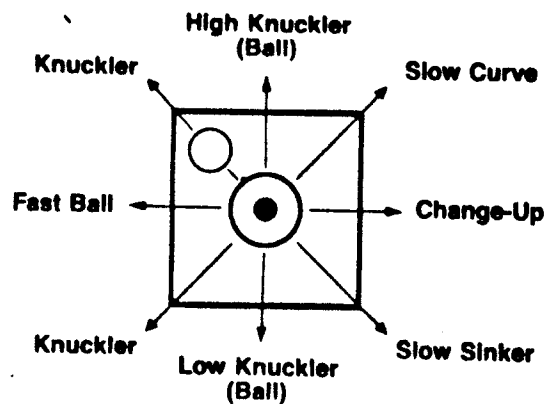
1. Each half inning begins with the pitcher starting in the **PITCHING MODE**. This mode allows you to pitch to the batter and is indicated when the pitcher bends over to look for a "sign" from the catcher.
2. To designate a pitch press and **HOLD** the red button on the controller. The pitcher will move to an upright, pause position.
3. Move the joystick to pitch:



"HEAT" MULDOON

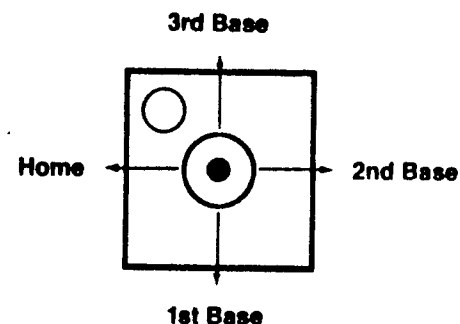


"CURVES" CASSIDY



"KNUCKLES" FLANAGAN

- To get out of the PITCHING MODE to pick off a runner, just **RELEASE** the red button **BEFORE** moving the joystick. You can then throw to any base as follows:

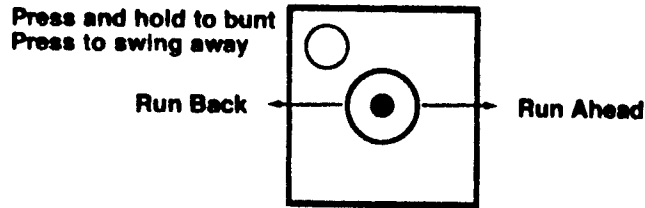


- Press the red button **TWICE** to return the ball to the pitcher from any player. The pitcher will change color to black, indicating ball possession. Press the red button **TWICE** again to go back into the PITCHING MODE. The pitcher will change color from black to yellow or blue and bend over to look for a "sign" from the catcher. **YOU MUST BE IN THE PITCHING MODE FOR A NEW BATTER TO COME UP AFTER A HIT OR AN OUT.**

BATTING

- Press and **HOLD** the red button on the controller right **BEFORE** the pitch is thrown to **BUNT**. Release the red button **BEFORE** the ball reaches the plate to "take" the pitch—if you try to bunt and miss, it's a strike.

2. Press the red button **AFTER** the pitch is thrown to **SWING AWAY**.

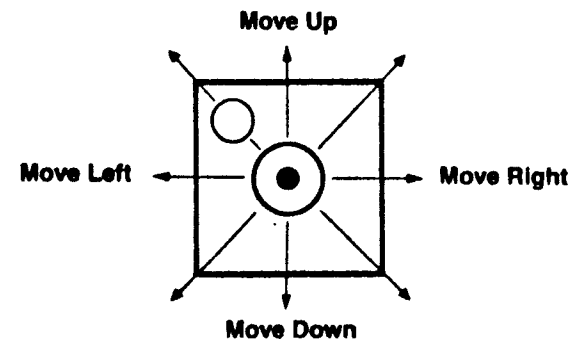


RUNNING

1. Once the ball is hit fair, the batter automatically runs to 1st base.
2. To move him **AHEAD**, push and hold the joystick to the **RIGHT**; to move him **BACK**, push and hold the joystick to the **LEFT**. To **STOP** the runner on or between bases, return the joystick to its neutral **CENTER** position (just release it).
3. If there are runners on base, you control the **LEAD** runner; the other runners will run automatically if forced. As soon as your **LEAD** runner scores or is put out, control **QUICKLY** shifts to the next **LEAD** runner. Don't daydream or your new **LEAD** runner may wander off base and be tagged out.

FIELDING

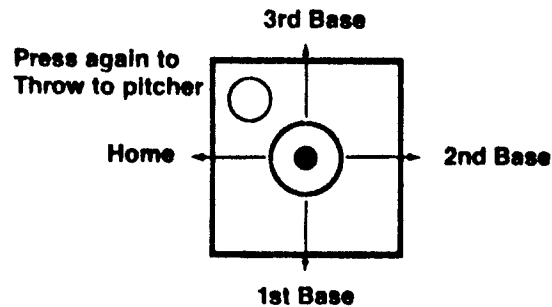
1. After the ball is hit **FOUL** or a **HOMERUN** is hit, the ball is returned to the catcher. You must throw it back to the pitcher (press red button **TWICE**) and go into the **PITCHING MODE** (press red button **TWICE** again) to continue pitching.
2. When the ball is hit **FAIR**, the player nearest the ball's **PATH** becomes eligible to field it.
3. Use the joystick to move your eligible fielder to the ball. He will change color to solid black when he is in possession.



4. A ball with a shadow is a **FLY** ball; a ball without a shadow is a **GROUNDER**. **FLY** balls can be **CAUGHT** for an out; **GROUNDERS** require you to take some action to force an out (throw to base, tag runner, etc.).
5. To catch a **FLY** ball, keep your eye on the ball's **SHADOW**. As the ball descends, position your outfielder so he'll collide with the ball's **SHADOW**. If you miss the ball, move your fielder to pick it up.

THROWING

1. Press and **RELEASE** the red button on the joystick controller to **DESIGNATE** a throw.
2. Move the joystick to **THROW** to a base; press the red button again to **THROW** to the pitcher.



The positions on the joystick are set up just like the bases on the screen—throwing from base to base will soon be like second nature to you.

3. If a runner tries to steal **HOME**, you must **MOVE** your catcher to **TAG** the runner coming home. If you don't **MOVE** your catcher, the runner will run by you and score.

SCORING

1. **STRIKE**—pitch that crosses home plate between batter's shoulders and knees. Three strikes results in an out.
2. **BALL**—pitch that is high or low out of strike zone. Four balls results in a walk.
3. **OUT**—catching fly balls, striking out batters and forcing/tagging runners results in an out. There are three outs per half-inning.
4. **BATTING ORDER**—visitors (**VSTR**) bat top of inning; home (**HOME**) or computer (**COMP**) bats bottom of inning.
5. **RUNS**—score runs by moving runners around the bases and home. Team ahead after 9 innings wins game. If score is tied after 9 innings, extra innings will be played until one team wins. **HOME** or **COMP** doesn't bat at the bottom of the 9th or extra innings if it is ahead.

SPECIAL FEATURES

1. Play solo against a hard-hitting computer team or a human opponent. The computer team is very consistent and rarely makes mental errors—you'll have to be at the top of your game to beat it.
2. Take batting practice against the legendary "Heat" Muldoon to fine-tune your swing.
3. Choose your starting team and pitcher. Mix up these combinations to take advantage of your strengths or your opponent's weaknesses. The differences between the teams and pitchers will have an effect on your STRATEGY.
4. As the game progresses, the starting pitchers "tire." They'll begin to lose their "stuff" and/or start missing the strike zone. Between the 7th and 8th innings there will be a 7th inning stretch, complete with music. A menu will come up for you to change pitchers:

OPTION	HOME	NO RELIEVER
SELECT	VSTR	KNUCKLES
START	PLAY BALL	

When both teams have made a decision to change pitchers or not (by pressing the **OPTION** and **SELECT** keys), press the **START** key to continue the game.

JOIN THE "STAR LEAGUERS"

If you beat the computer team, you're eligible to join Gamestar's exclusive "Star Leaguers" club.

Here's how:

1. Take a photo of the scoreboard showing the final score.
2. Send that to us along with proof of purchase.

You'll receive an official "Star Leaguers" membership card signifying your success.