

True/False Questions and Answers

1. **Shohei Ohtani was born in Tokyo, Japan.**
False (He was born in Oshu, Japan.)
 2. **Shohei Ohtani is both a pitcher and a hitter in Major League Baseball.**
True
 3. **Shohei Ohtani joined Major League Baseball in 2018.**
True
 4. **Shohei Ohtani was named the American League Most Valuable Player in 2019.**
False (He was named MVP in 2021.)
 5. **Shohei Ohtani played for the Los Angeles Dodgers when he moved to Major League Baseball.**
False (He played for the Los Angeles Angels.)
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Open-Ended Questions and Answers

1. **Where was Shohei Ohtani born?**
Shohei Ohtani was born in Oshu, Japan.
2. **What sport does Shohei Ohtani play?**
Shohei Ohtani plays baseball.
3. **Why is Shohei Ohtani sometimes called "The Japanese Babe Ruth"?**
He is called "The Japanese Babe Ruth" because, like Babe Ruth, he is great at both pitching and hitting.
4. **What was Shohei Ohtani known for in high school baseball?**
He was known for his very fast pitches, throwing the ball at 160 km/h (100 mph).
5. **Which team did Shohei Ohtani join in Japan's Nippon Professional Baseball (NPB)?**
He joined the Hokkaido Nippon-Ham Fighters.
6. **Why did Shohei Ohtani decide to stay in Japan after high school instead of going to Major League Baseball?**
He wanted to improve his skills in Japan before moving to Major League Baseball.
7. **When did Shohei Ohtani join the Los Angeles Angels in Major League Baseball?**
Shohei Ohtani joined the Los Angeles Angels in 2018.
8. **What award did Shohei Ohtani win in his first year in Major League Baseball?**
He won the American League Rookie of the Year award in 2018.
9. **Why was the 2021 season special for Shohei Ohtani?**
In 2021, he had an incredible season, being great as both a pitcher and a hitter, and he won the American League MVP award.
10. **How has Shohei Ohtani influenced baseball around the world?**
He has become a role model for young players and has brought more attention to Japanese baseball globally.

