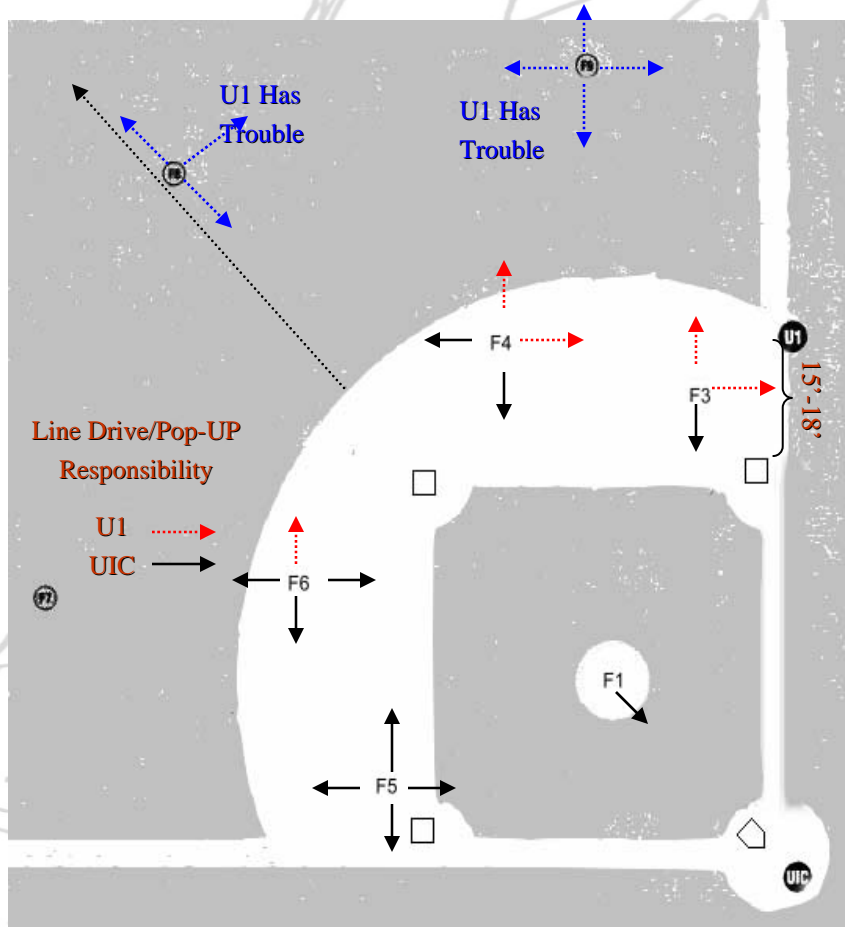


# 2 Man Mechanics



# Nobody On Fly Ball Line Drive Responsibilities



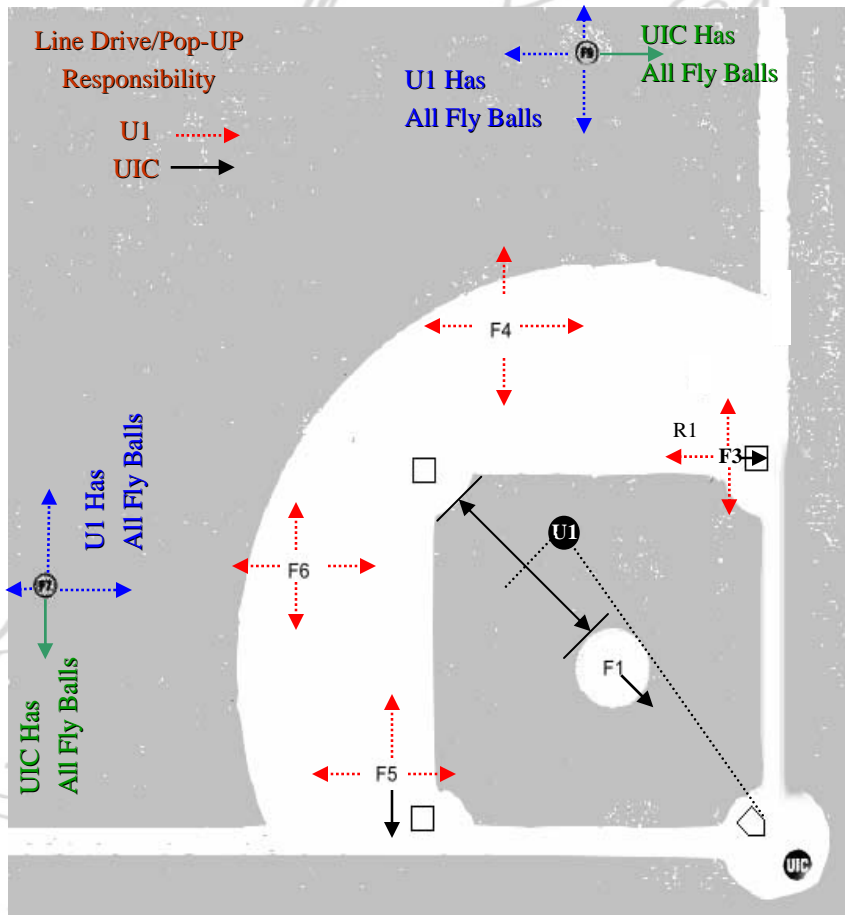
## Position A

- 15-18' Behind Bag
- 2-3 steps behind F3
- See F3's Numbers

## Catch Responsibilities

- U1
- Fly Ball Only if *Trouble*
- UIC

# Runners On (R1, R1-R3) Fly Ball Line Drive Responsibilities



## Position B

- On 1B side of Mound
- Mid way Between Edge of Circle and Cutout
- On line tangent to circle from edge of home plate.

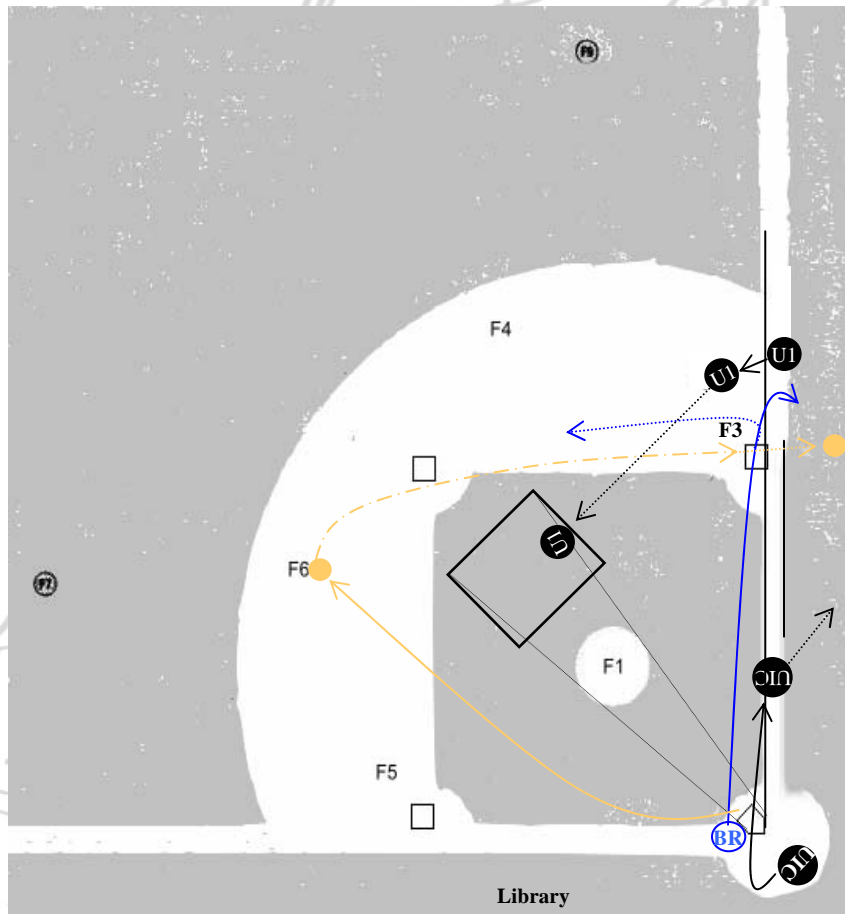
## Catch Responsibilities

- U1
  - Everything in the "V"
- UIC
  - F7 and F9 to Lines





# Nobody On Ground Ball to Infield



U1 Start in Position A

Pause, Read, React

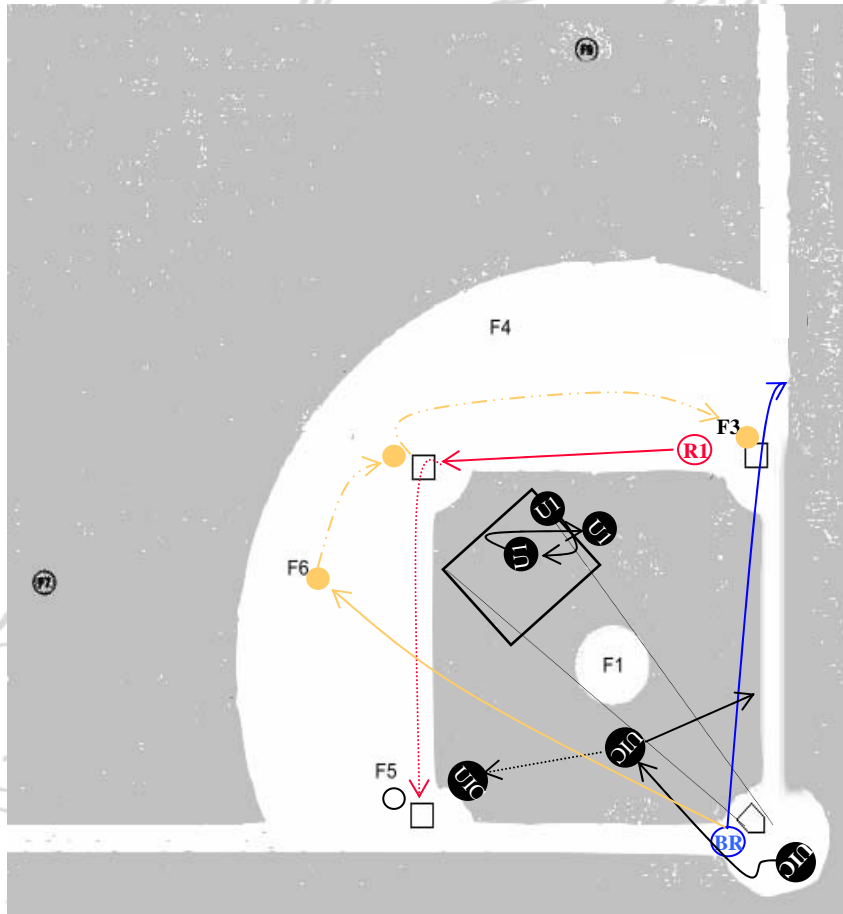
Establish Angle for Play

If BR is safe, immediately move to working area

UIC

Move out from behind plate toward 45' to take responsibilities

# R1 Ground Ball to Infield



U1 Start in Position B

Step Up Turn Face the Ball

Observe Play at Second Base

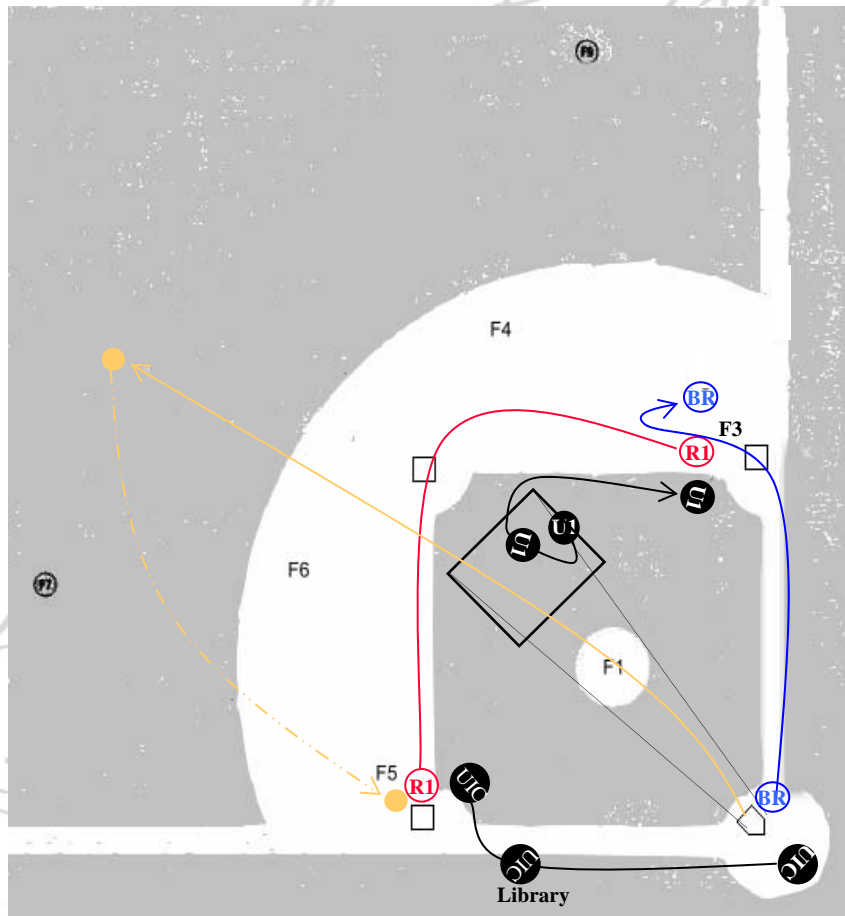
Turn with ball toward first, observe play at first

UIC

Move out from behind plate toward third base side of mound

Responsible for Force Play Slide Rule and possible play on R1 at third and home.

# R1 Base Hit



## U1 Start in Position B

- Step Up Turn Face the Ball

- Step with left foot if ball goes by on your left

- Step with Right foot if ball goes by on your right

- Observe Touch of Second

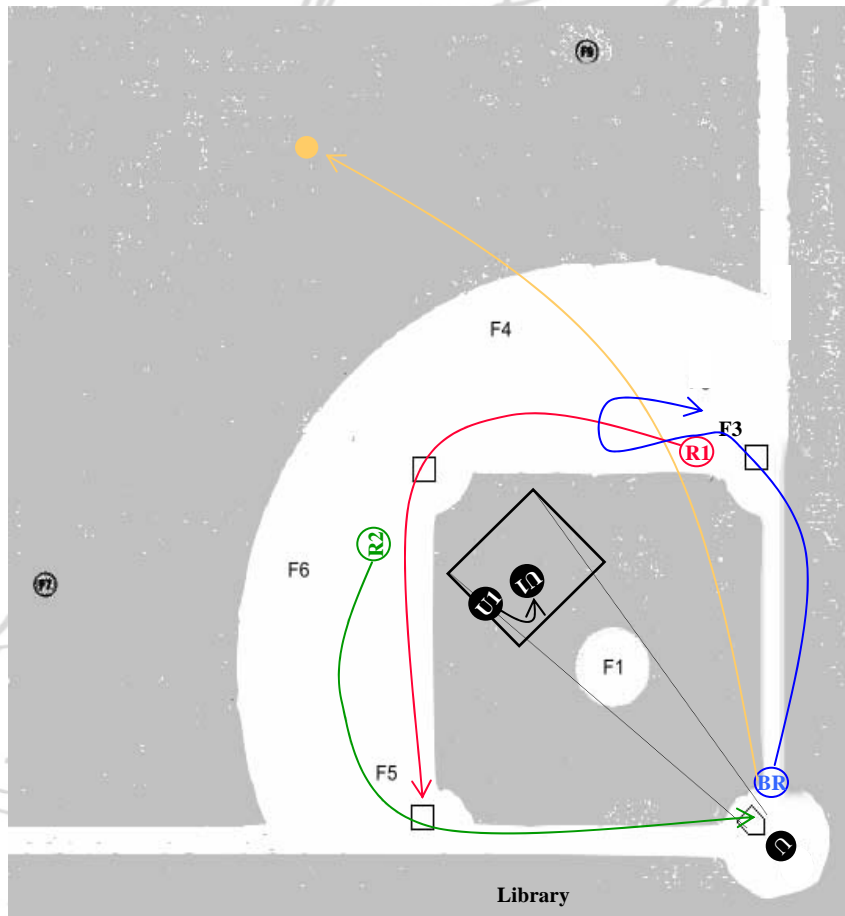
## UIC

- Go to Library

- Wait for Play (Ball and Runner)



# R1-R2 Base Hit



## U1 Start in Position C

- Step Up Turn Face the Ball
- Observe Touches
- Has all plays on the bases
- Let the ball take you to play
- Must split difference between R1 and BR

## UIC

- Has all plays at the plate

# Know Your Responsibilities



- A good pre-game is imperative
- This is the time to discuss
  - Fly Ball Coverage
  - Line Drive Coverage
  - Tag and Touch Responsibility
  - Dead Ball Responsibility
  - Base Coverage

# Example Pre-Game

## Fair/Foul

### No Runners on Base

#### Plate umpire

1st base line

batted ball to bag

slow roller

3rd base line (everything)

#### Base umpire

1st base line

batted ball beyond bag

any fly ball near the right field foul line

any fly ball near the right field foul pole

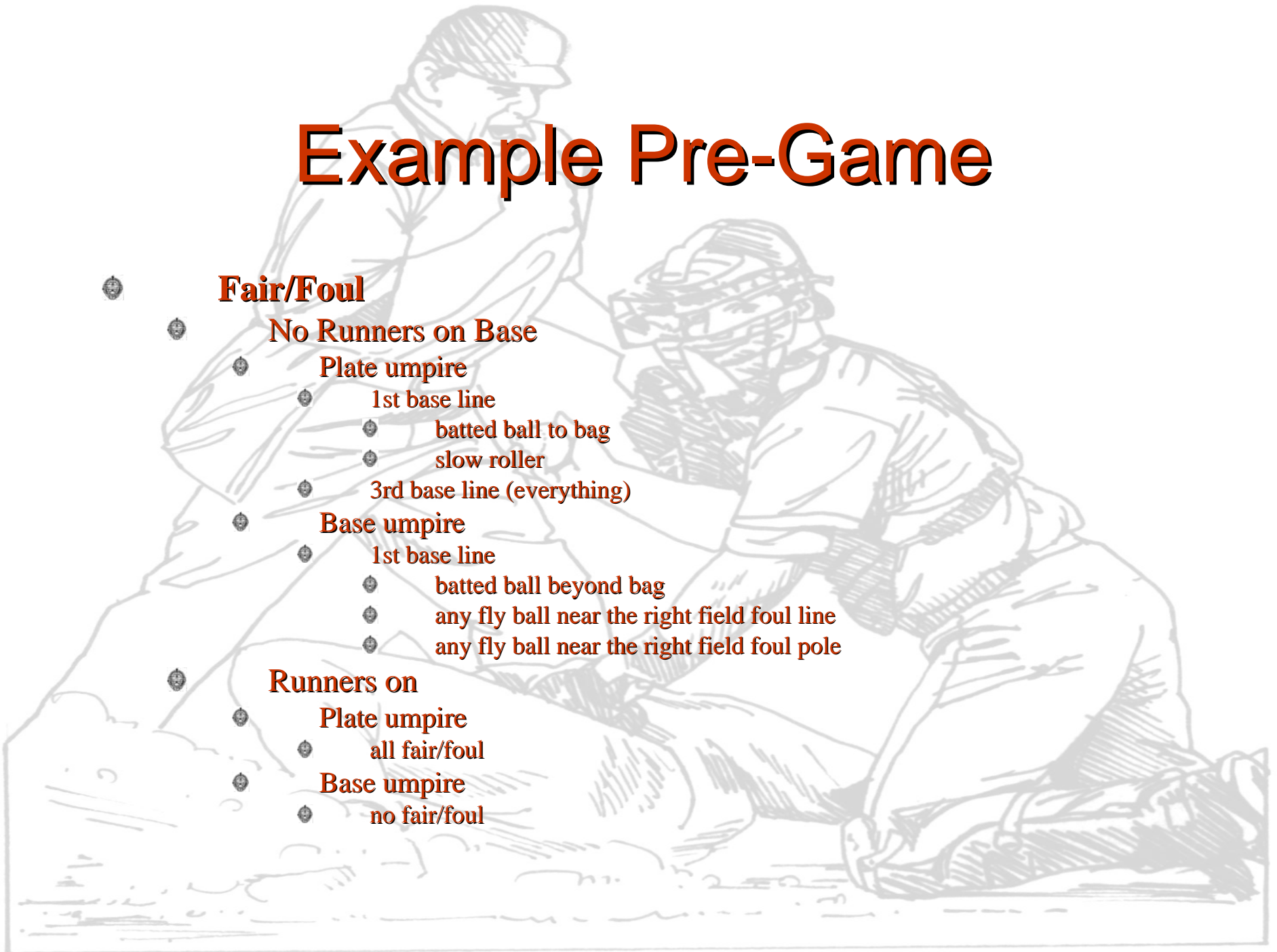
### Runners on

#### Plate umpire

all fair/foul

#### Base umpire

no fair/foul



# Example Pre-Game (cont)

## Catch/No Catch

### No Runners on Base

#### Plate umpire

- All fly balls BU does not go out on
- All pop-ups to infield that BU does not go out on
- All line drives to infield except those fielded by 1st or 2nd coming straight in or going to his left.

#### Base umpire

- Any fly ball to center, right-center, or right that BU goes out on
- Any pop-up on the line directly over head or beyond
- Any line drive to 1st or 2nd baseman coming straight in or to his left.

### Runners on

#### Plate umpire

- All fly balls to catcher
- All fly balls to pitcher or in front of mound
- Any fly ball which takes right or left fielder toward his respective line
- Any fly ball to infielder which takes 1st or 3rd baseman toward line.

#### Base umpire

- Any fly ball from right fielder straight in to left fielder straight in.
- All fly balls to infield except those that take 1st or 3rd baseman toward line.

# Example Pre-Game (cont)

## Touching Bases

### No Runners on Base

#### Plate umpire

BR at all bases when BU goes out

#### Base umpire

BR at 1st, 2nd, 3rd bases when BU does not go out

BR at home plate *if possible* after he goes out and returned

### Runners on

#### Plate umpire

All runners touching 3rd except BR

All runner touching home.

#### Base umpire

All runners touching 1st and 2nd.

BR touching 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

## Tag-Ups

### Plate umpire

All tag-ups at 3rd

### Base umpire

All tag-ups at 1st and 2nd.

# Example Pre-Game (cont)

## Play coverage

### No Runners on Base

#### Plate umpire

- BR to 45' line

#### Base umpire

- BR after 45' line

### Runners on

#### Plate umpire

- Limited responsibility at 3rd base

- Runner on 1st only, PU takes play at 3rd on batted ball.

- Runners on 1st and 3rd, PU takes play at 3rd on batted ball.

- Runners on 1st and 2nd with less than 2 out when runner from 2nd is tagging-up, PU takes play at third.

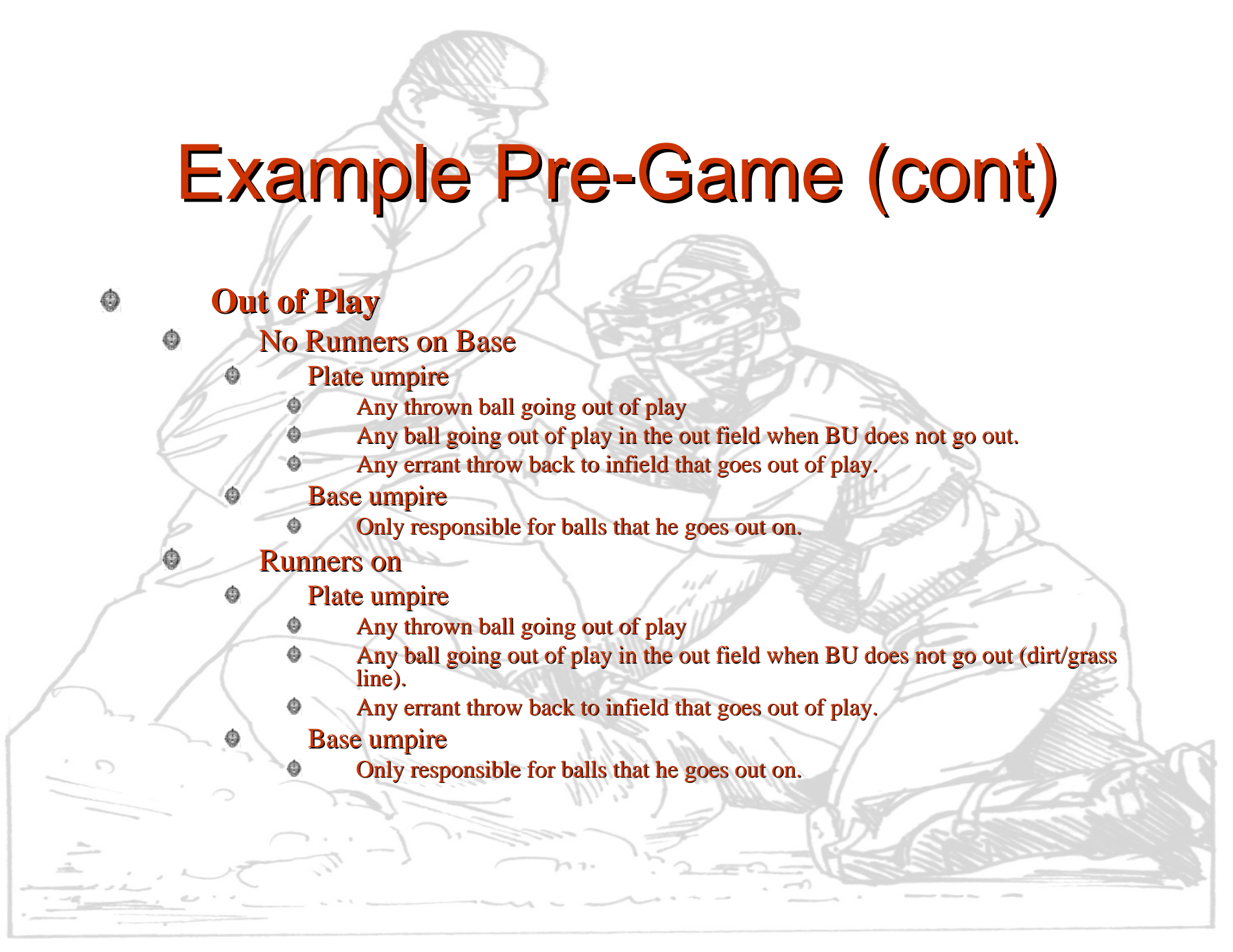
- PU never leaves plate area with possibility of a time play.

#### Base umpire

- All plays on the bases except 3rd in above.

- PU assists in run downs if possible.

# Example Pre-Game (cont)



## Out of Play

### No Runners on Base

#### Plate umpire

- Any thrown ball going out of play
- Any ball going out of play in the out field when BU does not go out.
- Any errant throw back to infield that goes out of play.

#### Base umpire

- Only responsible for balls that he goes out on.

### Runners on

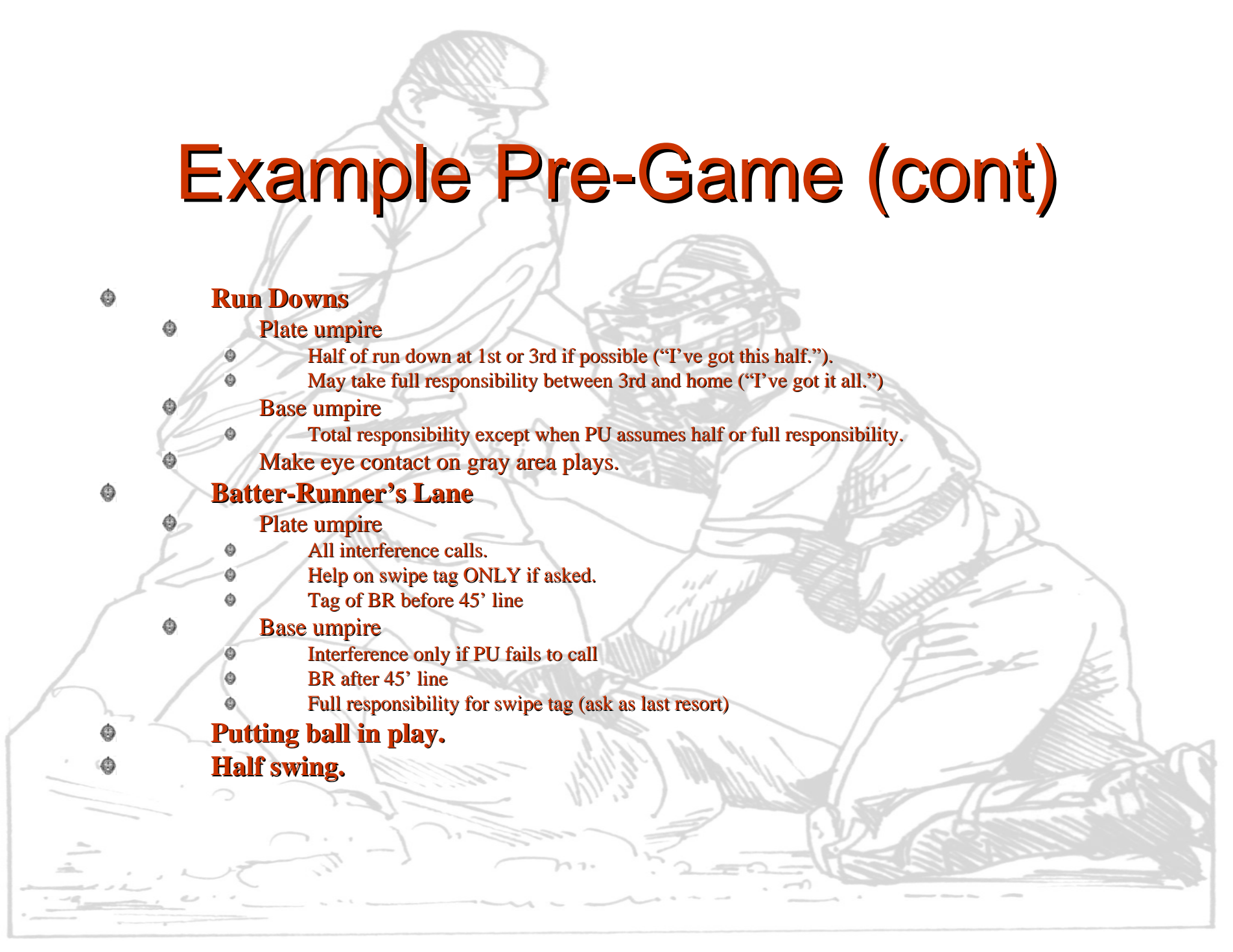
#### Plate umpire

- Any thrown ball going out of play
- Any ball going out of play in the out field when BU does not go out (dirt/grass line).
- Any errant throw back to infield that goes out of play.

#### Base umpire

- Only responsible for balls that he goes out on.

# Example Pre-Game (cont)



## Run Downs

### Plate umpire

- Half of run down at 1st or 3rd if possible (“I’ve got this half.”).
- May take full responsibility between 3rd and home (“I’ve got it all.”)

### Base umpire

- Total responsibility except when PU assumes half or full responsibility.
- Make eye contact on gray area plays.

## Batter-Runner’s Lane

### Plate umpire

- All interference calls.
- Help on swipe tag ONLY if asked.
- Tag of BR before 45’ line

### Base umpire

- Interference only if PU fails to call
- BR after 45’ line
- Full responsibility for swipe tag (ask as last resort)

## Putting ball in play.

## Half swing.

# Example Pre-Game (cont)

## Signals

- 1st to 3rd.
- infield fly.
- timing.
- count.
- discussion.
- staying home.

**Batted ball hits batter.**

**Breaking up mound conferences.**

**Warm up pitches.**

**Work Hard, Have Fun!**

