

How Football Has Changed. PSI Project

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Overview

What I learned in this project is that football has changed. Why has it changed? Because to make the game more safer and interesting. How has it changed? Some artifacts from football are the the face masks, the shoulder pads, and the helmets all have changed. Here's how...

Comparison

Football in 1883

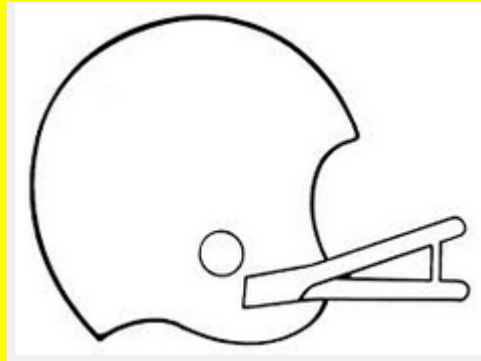
- ❖ No NFL
- ❖ 4 teams
- ❖ Almost exactly like Rugby
- ❖ Less protection
- ❖ Less attention (because of college football.)
- ❖ Players had to work two jobs
- ❖ No Super Bowls
- ❖ No TV Broadcasts

Football in 2014

- ★ The NFL
- ★ 32 teams
- ★ Almost nothing like Rugby
- ★ LOTS of protection
- ★ Lots of attention
- ★ Players only have one job (football Duh).
- ★ Almost the 50th Super Bowl
- ★ Games on TV
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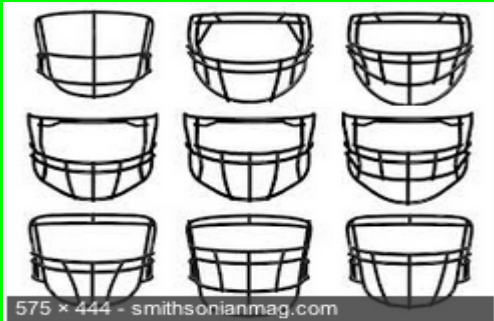
The Helmets

Did you know that the biggest risk about playing football is getting a concussion or head injury? The first game with helmets wasn't until 1903. The helmets were only leather without any face masks. Not very safe. In 1920, they put more leather in the helmet to reduce the amount of impact energy inside. In 1942, the helmets had hard leather inside. They also had the first graphics on the helmets. In the 80s and 90s, the helmets were plastic. Now, they have extra padding and thicker plastic. This is another important artifact.



The Face Masks

In the 1950's, there were a lot of teeth related injuries. The NFL had to put a stop to it. That was when the face mask came in. A face mask that wouldn't fall off was hard to make in earlier days. But now, it was easier. It literally stopped almost 75% of teeth injuries. Some people think that the TV made players want to wear face masks, but everyone knows that face masks are one of the best safety materials in football history.



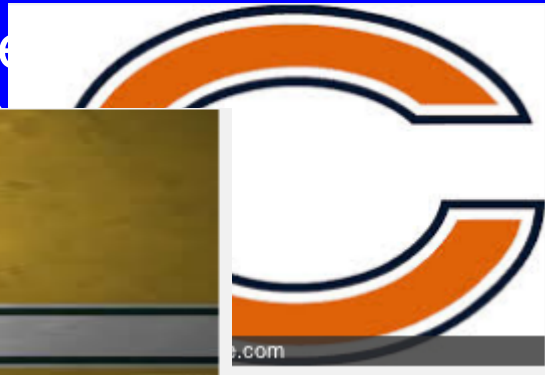
The Shoulder Pads

In 1877, the shoulder pads were invented to help prevent shoulder area injuries. This material caught on quickly to NFL players. In 1890, leather shoulder pads were introduced to make them more comfortable inside and take away some pressure on the shoulder. In 1940, the harness pads came into action. These are the shoulder pads we use in the modern day games. These pads you pull it over your head like a t-shirt, and tie a knot in the strings. They're are also an important artifact in football.



The Teams

Some teams, like the Packers, Giants, and Cowboys, have always stayed the same. But others, like the Cardinals, Lions and **BEARS** have changed their name and/or town for just at least a year. These teams have changed because imagine playing for the



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