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# POWER PLAY!



# THE CREATION

American football or the NFL was one of the most popular sports in the world. In 1878 a man named Walter Camp invented American Football. Walter got the idea of football by watching a man named William Ebb Ellis. William ran on the soccer field with the soccer ball in his hand, and ran down the field. At one point he made it all the way down the field. When Walter thought this game all up he decided to tell the whole town about his new game: Football.



NFL logo

### REASONS

One of the reasons
Walter Camp invented
American Football is
because 70% of children
in the U.S.A loved
playing catch and
football is 30% a
catching game.



### **CHANGES**

Over time the rules of American Football didn't really change but one thing changed over time: and it was padding. Back in 1878 Walter didn't think about protection. 71% of my class thinks that when you're in that situation, Football can be very dangerous so over time people thought of protection so now we wear more padding. They wear a Helmet, shin guards, shoulder pads, chest armor, and cleats so they wouldn't slip and fall.

## THE GENIUS IS DONE

Walter was surprised that his invention was a hit and he was a hit to so he was very happy and everybody started playing his big invention. And the next time you're playing Football say "Thank you Walter Camp for this awesome sport you invented for me."

