April 20, 1978
SS Ozzie Smith makes one of the greatest defensive plays in Padres history. ATL's Burroughs hits a grounder toward center that appeared to be beyond Smith's reach. Smith dives, the ball hits a divot and takes a wild hop above his head. He reaches back and above his head with his bare hand, catches the ball, jumps to his feet and throws him out at first.

April 22, 1977
LHP Bob Shirley retires a franchise-record 25 straight hitters from the first inning to the ninth inning in the Padres 4-2 win at Houston. He allows two runs on three hits with five strikeouts in 8.2 innings.

April 22, 1988
Tony Gwynn singles in the bottom of the first off Houston's Nolan Ryan for the 1,000th hit of his career. The game also starts a franchise-record 31.2 straight scoreless innings pitched against the Astros, the longest run of scoreless innings against a single opponent in club history.

April 23, 2003
The Padres and the City of San Diego reach an agreement to enlarge Petco Park, completing the final design parameters for the ballpark that is already under construction.

April 25, 1969
In the first major trade in franchise history, the Padres trade Opening Day starter Dick Selma (was the Padres' third-round pick in the expansion draft) to the Chicago Cubs for RHPs Joe Niekro and Gary Ross and INF Francisco Libran.

April 25, 1972
The Padres replace their original manager Preston Gomez with Don Zimmer.

April 25, 1980
April 25, 1999
Before their largest home crowd in franchise history (61,674), Tony Gwynn ties a franchise record by hitting safely in eight straight at-bats as the Padres defeat Arizona 7-2 at Qualcomm Stadium.

April 25, 2001
Padres OF Rickey Henderson draws his 2,063rd walk to pass Babe Ruth and become baseball's all-time walks leader. He will finish the season and his career with 2,141 walks.
NOW, TEST YOUR PADRES HISTORY KNOWLEDGE WITH THIS QUIZ.  
NO PEEKING!

1. Which former Padres player drew his 2,063rd walk on April 25, 2001 to pass Babe Ruth and become baseball’s all-time walks leader? __________________________

2. In what year did the Padres and the City of San Diego reach an agreement to enlarge Petco Park?
   a) 2000  b) 2008  c) 2003  d) 1999

3. Which former player made what many believe to be the greatest defensive play in Padres history?
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4. On April 22, 1977, LHP _______ retires a franchise-record 25 straight hitters from the first inning to the ninth inning.
   a) Bob Shirley  b) Randy Jones  c) Bruce Hurst  d) Sterling Hitchcock

5. In what year did the Padres make their first major trade in franchise history, trading Opening Day starter Dick Selma to the Chicago Cubs?
   a) 1965  b) 1972  c) 1983  d) 1969

6. On April 25, 1972, the Padres replace their original manager Preston Gomez with ________.
   a) Andy Green  b) Bob Skinner  c) Don Zimmer  d) Jerry Coleman

7. Tony Gwynn singles in the bottom of the first off HOU’s Nolan Ryan in 1988 for the ________ hit of his career.

8. On April 24, 1999, before their largest home crowd in franchise history, Tony Gwynn ties a franchise record by hitting safely in eight straight at-bats as the Padres defeat Arizona 7-2 at Qualcomm Stadium. What was the size of the crowd that day?
   a) 53,603  b) 61,674  c) 59,293  d) 62,302

ANSWERS

1. Ricky Henderson
2. c
3. Ozzie Smith
4. a
5. d
6. c
7. 1,000
8. b