

From the Elevator Family Plays Hardball:

Walter pointed to the **Go Coots!** sign on the wall. "Do either of you know the meaning of this?" he asked the visitors.

"The Coots are the name of our Little League team," Nora explained.

"Our first practice is this evening on this baseball field."

"My dad is the coach," said Benson.

"I'm the Coot's pitcher," said Nora. She smiled at the twins. "Why don't you join our team? We need players."

The twins grabbed Walter's arm. "Can we?" they asked together "If your mother agrees," said Walter.

"As long as you have your homework is done before practice," said Winona. "We'll sign you up this afternoon."

"How was school?" Walter asked.