

Close Reading Note-Catcher: *Promises to Keep, Pages 42–45*

(Example, for Teacher Reference)

What (What happened? Describe the event outlined in the text.)	When (When did it happen?)	How (How did this event affect Jackie's success?)
<i>Jackie was named Outstanding Rookie of the Year</i>	<i>1947</i>	<i>Others recognized him as a great ball player. The award proved that he deserved to be in the Major Leagues.</i>
<i>Fans organized a "Jackie Robinson Day" at Ebbets Field.</i>	<i>1947</i>	<i>Showed Jackie that the fans recognized his talent and appreciated him.</i>
<i>Jackie signed a contract for his autobiography.</i>	<i>October 1947</i>	<i>People wanted to know (and could now find out) more about Jackie, his life, and how he came to be the first African American to play Major League Baseball.</i>
<i>The Jackie Robinson Story was filmed.</i>	<i>January 1950</i>	<i>This was another way for Jackie to share his story and his goal with others.</i>

1. After reading pages 42–45, what factor is described that led to Jackie's success in breaking the color barrier in baseball? What, in the text, makes you think so?

Recognition and being able to share his story was another factor that led to Jackie's success. He was very popular, with fans organizing a special "Jackie Robinson Day" in honor of him. His popularity led to him being able to write an autobiography and led to a film being made about his life.