

**“Take Me Out of the Ball Game”**  
**(Sing to the tune of “Take me Out to the Ball Game”)**  
**by Jeff Nathan**

Take me out of the ball game.  
Take me off of the mound.  
Get me out quickly—oh please don’t wait.  
I throw hard, but I can’t reach home plate.  
I just walked another four runs in.  
If we don’t win, I’m to blame.  
And it’s one, two, three strikes, I’m out when I play this game.

Take me out of the ball game.  
Take me out right away.  
Why did you put me at second base?  
Every hit makes me cover my face.  
I just broke the record for errors.  
If we don’t win, I’m to blame.  
And it’s one, two, three strikes, I’m out when I play this game.

Take me out of the ball game.  
Take me out of right field.  
Put someone in who won’t trip and fall—  
Anyone who can catch a fly ball.  
Now I just missed my fourteenth grounder.  
If we don’t win, I’m to blame.  
And it’s one, two, three strikes, I’m out when I play this game.

Take me out of the ball game.  
It’s my turn up at bat.  
I swing and miss, but it’s no surprise.  
I’m too frightened to open my eyes.  
And I heard strike three whizzing past me.  
If we don’t win, I’m to blame.  
And it’s one, two, three strikes, I’m out when I play this game.

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