

Read the sentences from paragraph 3 in the box below.

To survive in baseball in that era, professionals needed more than talent. Cunning and fearlessness were prerequisites. Most club owners limited their rosters to twelve or thirteen players, about all they could afford on the slim profits that went with drawing two thousand customers per game.

Which word from the sentences provides a context clue for the meaning of the word *prerequisites*?

- A. “needed”
- B. “limited”
- C. “profits”
- D. “customers”