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Highest test score

Sri Lanka's highest Test score remains 952/6d against India in August 1997, a record that still stands today. This monumental achievement was largely due to Sanath Jayasuriya's incredible innings of 340 off 578 balls. By surpassing England's previous record of 903/7d against Australia in August 1938, Sri Lanka became only the second team in history to breach the 900-run mark in a Test match. Interestingly, this feat was also accomplished by England in their match against West Indies in April 1930, where Les Ames scored 149 and Andy Sandham took 640 balls to score 325, but unfortunately for them, they were bundled out for 849 runs, ending the game in a draw. England's achievement in 1938 was notable not only because it set a new benchmark but also because Leonard Hutton became the record holder for most balls faced in a Test innings with an astonishing 847 deliveries. His score of 364 runs in that match still stands as one of the highest individual scores in cricket history. In recent times, Sri Lanka's 760/7 against India in 2009 is among the top five team totals, with Pakistan achieving the highest score for a team in the 21st century with 765/6d against Sri Lanka. However, India's highest Test score of 759/7d came against England in December 2016, thanks to Karun Nair's triple ton. Highest Team Scores: 1. Sri Lanka - 952/6d vs India (1997) 2. England - 903/7d vs Australia (1938) 3. Pakistan - 765/6d vs Sri Lanka (2009) 4. West Indies - 790/3d vs Pakistan (1958) 5. Sri Lanka - 760/7 vs India (2009) Individual Records: * Charles Bannerman, an English-born Australian cricketer, scored a massive 165 in the first-ever Test match in 1877. * Don Bradman's dominance in the 1930s is still remembered today. * Len Hutton's pre-war score of 364 and Brian Lara's record-breaking 400* in 2004 are considered among the greatest individual achievements in cricket history. **Early Test Centuries** The first century in Test cricket was scored by Charles Bannerman of Australia against England at Melbourne in 1877. Alec Bannerman, also from Australia, reached his century against England at Melbourne in 1879. William Murdoch, an Australian, achieved two centuries in 1880 and 1884, both against England. **English Players Dominate** From the late 19th to early 20th centuries, English players dominated with high-scoring centuries. George Ulyett, Allan Steel, William Grace, Richard Barlow, Robert Abel, Henry Wood, and Jack Hobbs all achieved notable hundreds in this period. In the 1930s and 1940s, Wally Hammond, Don Bradman, Leonard Hutton, and Denis Compton continued this trend. **Australian Centuries** Australians Victor Trumper, Warwick Armstrong, and Jackie McGlew were also prominent century-makers during this period. Others from Australia who achieved notable hundreds include George Bonnor, Sydney Gregory, Frank Iredale, Archie MacLaren, and Jack Ryder. **Notable Non-English and Australian Centuries** Players from other countries also made significant contributions to the list of centuries. Kumar Shri Ranjitsinhji (India), Tip Foster (England), Phil Mead (England), George Faulkner (South Africa), Herbie Taylor (South Africa), George Tyldesley (England), Warren Bardsley (Australia), and Martin Donnelly (New Zealand) all scored notable hundreds. **Centuries in Each Test Series** Each series from 1877 to 1953 is listed, with the player who achieved a century against each opponent. This information provides a comprehensive overview of the players who have made significant contributions to Test cricket. The text lists notable Test centuries from cricket matches around the world between 1954 and 2019. The list starts with Denis Compton from England in 1954, followed by Bert Sutcliffe from New Zealand in 1955, and continues with players from various countries, including Pakistan, India, West Indies, Australia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, and others. Players like Garry Sobers, Rohan Kanhai, Vijay Manjrekar, Ted Dexter, Conrad Hunte, Bob Simpson, Geoffrey Boycott, and many more scored notable centuries in their careers. The list also includes players from the 1990s and 2000s, such as Graeme Pollock, Zaheer Abbas, Shivnarine Chanderpaul, Brian Lara, Sachin Tendulkar, Jacques Kallis, Rahul Dravid, and others. The most recent centuries scored by players like Tom Latham, David Warner, and others are also included in the list. The text provides a comprehensive overview of notable Test centuries from around the world between 1954 and 2019. Pakistan Hanif Mohammad's 337 against West Indies is still the highest individual Test score by a batsman in an away Test match. Here are the firsts in 100K scores in Test cricket: First century: Charles Bannerman's 165 in the very first Test (1877) First double century: R.E. Foster's 230* (1898) First triple century: Andy Sandham's 323 (1928) First 350+ : Len Hutton's 364 (1938) First 400: Brian Lara's 400* (2004) Several cricket legends dominated the list in different eras: W.G. Grace in the 1880s, Jack Hobbs in the 1910s-20s, Don Bradman in the 1930s, Garfield Sobers in the 1960s, Greg Chappell in the 1970s, Brian Lara in the 1990s-2000s. There were no Test matches during World War I (1913-19) and World War II (1939-45). The table above also shows how cricket's competitive aspect with respect to playing nations has evolved: Early dominance by England and Australia, West Indies' golden era (1950s-1980s), Rise of Asian cricket powers (Pakistan, India, Sri Lanka) from the 1980s onward. Recent years have seen slightly lower top scores, with only two new triple centuries since Karun Nair's 302* in 2017: David Warner in 2019 and Harry Brook in 2024. Pakistan posted record Test score of 765 for 6 declared against Sri Lanka in Karachi, 2009 The list showcases top scorers in Test cricket with notable mentions from England's team. Three English players feature within the top four rankings, including a massive 823/7 declared score against Pakistan in 2024. While aggregate scores reflect overall batting prowess, standalone innings highlight remarkable individual achievements. Here are the highest 21 Test scores: 1. BC Lara made 400* runs with 582 balls, many fours and some sixes. 2. ML Hayden scored 380 with plenty of runs, fours, and ones in Australia's win against Zimbabwe. 3. BC Lara hit 375, showing his incredible long-form game against England. 4. GS Sobers got a massive 365* without getting out. Other notable scorers include: 5. ST Jayasuriya (340), Hanif Mohammad (337), WR Hammond (336*) 6. DA Warner and MA Taylor both reached 334* 7. GA Gooch hit 333, CH Gayle also scored 333 8. MJ Clarke got a massive 329* for Australia. 9. Inzamam-ul-Haq and A Sandham each made notable scores. 10. V Sehwag (319) and KC Sangakkara (319) were impressive in their respective matches. One of the most famous cricketers, Brian Lara, holds the record with a massive 400 against England in 2004. He's also on the list for his 375 score, demonstrating exceptional batting skills. Harry Brook recently made an impressive 317 for England against Pakistan in 2024, part of their massive total of 823/7 declared. These outstanding innings highlight individual brilliance that contributes to team records and showcase the incredible skill required to excel in Test cricket.