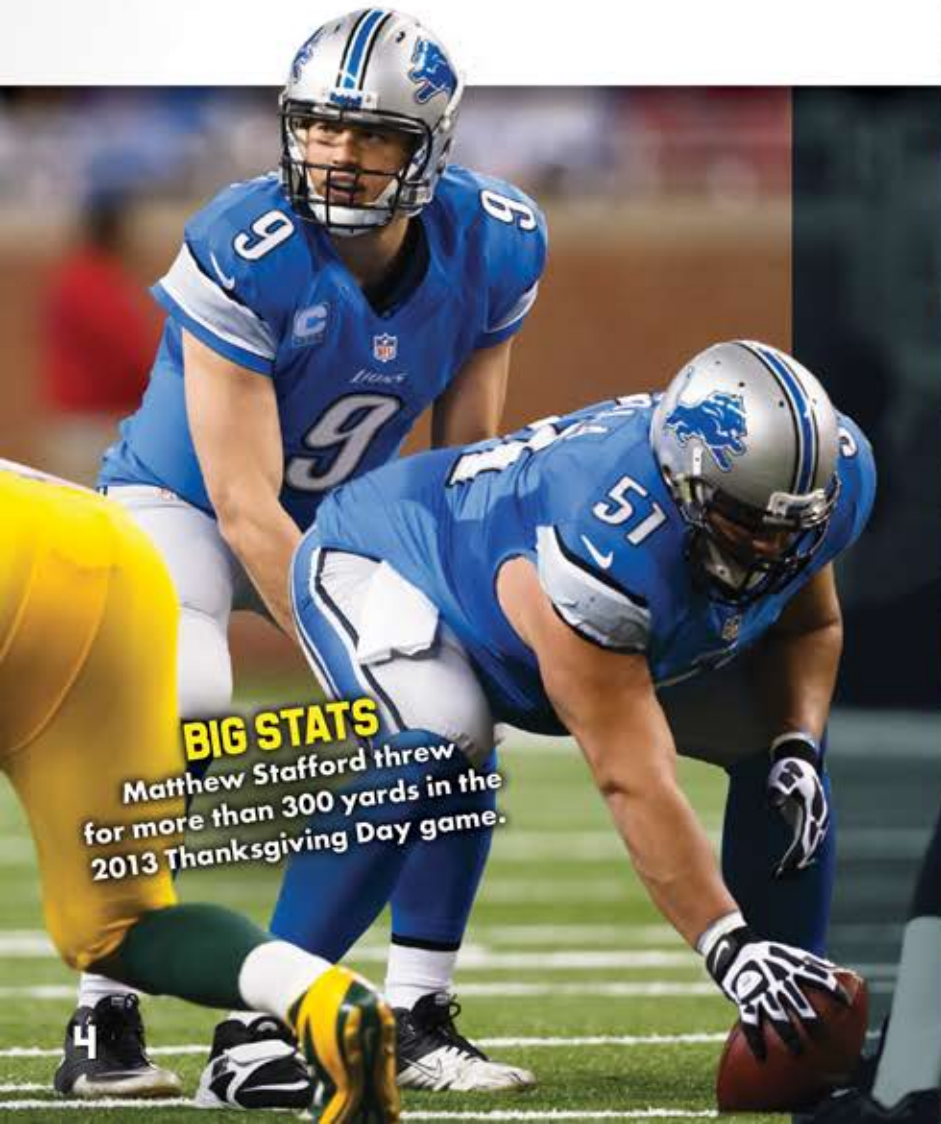


THANKSGIVING DAY WIN

It is Thanksgiving Day, 2013. The Detroit Lions face the Green Bay Packers. The game starts off slow. Near halftime, the score is tied 10 to 10.



BIG STATS
Matthew Stafford threw for more than 300 yards in the 2013 Thanksgiving Day game.



Reggie Bush

Then **running back** Reggie Bush bursts into the end zone at the last minute. Touchdown! The Lions take the lead against their **rival**.

Early in the third quarter, **quarterback** Matthew Stafford passes the ball to **wide receiver** Calvin Johnson. Johnson runs into the end zone to score!

The Lions' **defense** shuts down the Packers' **offense**. They do not give up another point. But the Lions keep on scoring. By the end of the game, it is 40 to 10. Lions win!



SCORING TERMS

END ZONE

the area at each end of a football field; a team scores by entering the opponent's end zone with the football.

EXTRA POINT

a score that occurs when a kicker kicks the ball between the opponent's goal posts after a touchdown is scored; **1 point**.

FIELD GOAL

a score that occurs when a kicker kicks the ball between the opponent's goal posts; **3 points**.

SAFETY

a score that occurs when a player on offense is tackled behind his own goal line; **2 points for defense**.

TOUCHDOWN

a score that occurs when a team crosses into its opponent's end zone with the football; **6 points**.

TWO-POINT CONVERSION

a score that occurs when a team crosses into its opponent's end zone with the football after scoring a touchdown; **2 points**.

The Lions joined the National Football League (NFL) in 1930 as the Portsmouth Spartans. Today, they play in the National Football **Conference** (NFC). They are in the North **Division**.

This division has some of the NFL's oldest teams. It includes the Green Bay Packers and Chicago Bears. The Minnesota Vikings also play in the North.



NFL DIVISIONS

AFC

NFC

AFC NORTH

	BALTIMORE RAVENS		CINCINNATI BENGALS
	CLEVELAND BROWNS		PITTSBURGH STEELERS

AFC EAST

	BUFFALO BILLS		MIAMI DOLPHINS
	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS		NEW YORK JETS

AFC SOUTH

	HOUSTON TEXANS		INDIANAPOLIS COLTS
	JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS		TENNESSEE TITANS

AFC WEST

	DENVER BRONCOS		KANSAS CITY CHIEFS
	OAKLAND RAIDERS		SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

NFC NORTH

	CHICAGO BEARS		DETROIT LIONS
	GREEN BAY PACKERS		MINNESOTA VIKINGS

NFC EAST

	DALLAS COWBOYS		NEW YORK GIANTS
	PHILADELPHIA EAGLES		WASHINGTON REDSKINS

NFC SOUTH

	ATLANTA FALCONS		CAROLINA PANTHERS
	NEW ORLEANS SAINTS		TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

NFC WEST

	ARIZONA CARDINALS		LOS ANGELES RAMS
	SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS		SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

MORE ABOUT THE LIONS

Team name:
Detroit Lions

Team name explained:
Named to go with
Detroit's baseball team,
the Tigers

Nicknames:
The Silver Rush,
Silver Stretch

Joined NFL: 1930

Conference: **NFC**

Division: **North**

Main rivals: **Green Bay
Packers, Minnesota Vikings**



Hometown:
Detroit, Michigan

Training camp location: Headquarters
& Training Facility, Allen Park, Michigan



Home stadium name: **Ford Field**

Stadium opened: **2002**

Seats in stadium: **65,000**



Logo: **A blue lion**

Colors: **Blue, silver,
black, white**



Mascot: **Roary**

