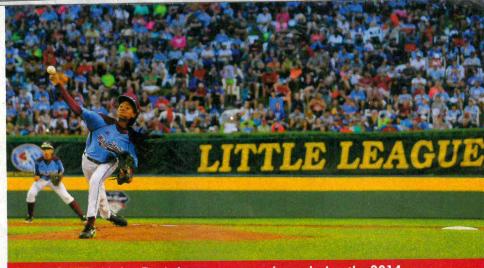
push her around. Parents told her she didn't belong on the field. "They could see that I was a better player than some of their sons," Kathryn says.

But Kathryn was the last girl to play for a long time. After that season, Little League officially banned girls from playing. The decision became known as the "Tubby Rule."

In the next 20 years, the world changed. Women fought

for equal rights. A law called Title IX was
passed in 1972. It required public schools to
offer more sports for girls. And in 1974, Little
League finally got rid of the Tubby Rule.
Since then, hundreds of thousands



GIRL POWER Mo'ne Davis became a star player during the 2014
Little League World Series. She's just one of the hundreds of
thousands of girls to play Little League Baseball since Tubby Johnston.

of girls have played Little League Baseball.

Millions more have participated in high school sports. Kathryn—who is 81 now—has advice for them all. "You need to dream big," she says. "Because that's what I did."

Why did Kathryn pretend to be a boy? Action Write a paragraph to answer this question. Activity In 1950, Kathryn Johnston dressed as a boy because The main idea of your paragraph: What did Kathryn want to do that no girl had done before? Sentence Remember to indent the first sentence! At that time, girls who wanted to play sports What kinds of chances did girls have to play sports? Detail I Kathryn was great at playing baseball, but Who could and could not play Little League back then? Detail 2 To try out for a Little League team, Kathryn had to How did Kathryn get people to think she was a boy? Detail 3 Kathryn showed that girls can play baseball as well as boys can by How did Kathryn's tryout go? Conclusion