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# Spotlight on

# Jerome James

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This month KidsFare had the opportunity to catch up with rookie Jerome James. Jerome hasn't seen much action as of yet, but it's just a matter of time. Standing at a towering 7'1", he led the NCAA Division I last year in blocks. Let's check out what Jerome had to say.

**During the lockout you performed with the Harlem Globetrotters. What was the highlight from this experience?**

Traveling with that group of guys, and seeing different parts of the world I have never seen before.

**At Florida A&M you were majoring in Pre-Law before you were drafted. Did you expect to end up in the NBA?**

Yes I did. That's one reason I chose that major. I anticipated I would be in the NBA and would need that background in a few years.

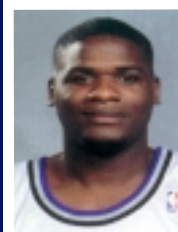
**If you didn't have this opportunity what would you see yourself doing?**  
Going into entertainment law.

**What tips do you have for kids trying to improve their basketball game?**  
No matter what other people say, believe in yourself. Don't let anybody say you can't do it.

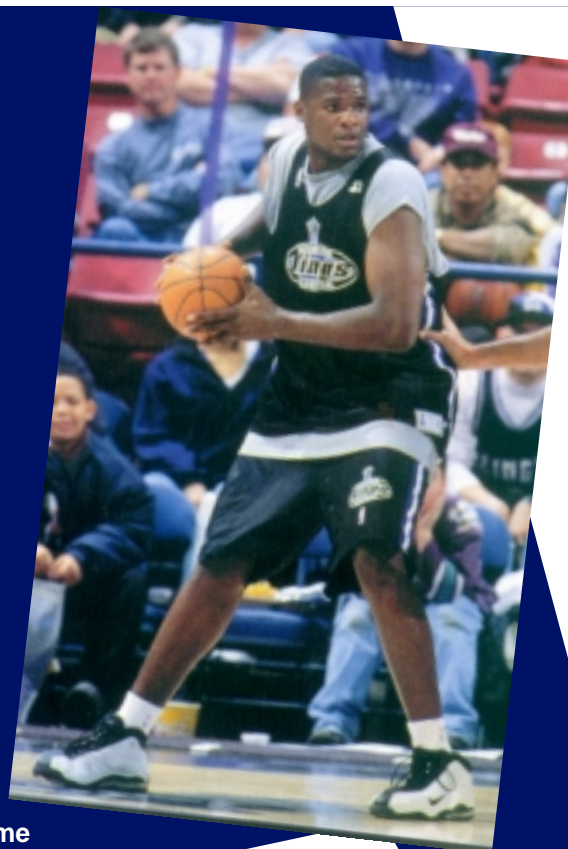
**Who was your favorite basketball player growing up?**  
Michael Jordan.

**At 7'1", people have compared your frame to Shaq's. With your size what do you bring to the Kings?**

A bigger, stronger, frontline, with Shaq-like qualities on the court. Just dominance with blocked shots, and rebounding.



**Jerome James:**  
**Nickname** – "Big J.J."  
**Shoe Size** - 22  
**Favorite cereal** - Fruit Loops  
**Favorite cartoon** - Batman  
**Favorite movie** - Dr. Doolittle  
**Hobbies** - singing, writing, reading



**Position**  
Center

**Height / Weight**  
7-1 / 300

**Birthdate**  
November 17, 1975

**Birthplace**  
Tampa, FL

**College**  
Florida A&M 1998

**High School**  
Pentacostal Christian Academy (Tampa, FL)

**How Acquired**  
Second-round draft selection (36th overall) by Sacramento in 1998 NBA Draft.

**Years In NBA**  
Rookie

## the Name Game

Who are these Kings?

"Fundy" "Big J.J."  
"C-Webb" "C-Rob"  
"Big Nasty" "Hawk"

answers below

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## Word Search

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I H A R C T H R I I H C N R L  
F O M F B R N V F G I O D E L  
A D S U M M A R K E O A O E I  
S G O N P I S M I P V R S P A  
T E N D E A T W E B B E R O M  
B F A E J T Y C Q N E N E I S  
R U S R A J B S W R T A Y N B  
L N T B A N T S U D Y O O T I  
A B D U L W A H A D O U K E F  
K A B R P O B R B I G J J R A  
D U N K E Q C I K V K I N S D  
W I L E J P N K M A X W E L L  
A D E L M A N U R C S T U N K

WHAT DO YOU THINK? Will Jason Williams be the NBA Rookie of the Year?

## Chef Slamson's Corner



**HEY KIDS,** what does Slamson eat before he runs out on the court at Arco Arena and does a high flying, acrobatic, power-packed, mamma-jamma-slamma? Chocolate chip cookies of course! -"just like mom use to make for me when I was a lil' Slamson cub."

Here is Slamson's mothers' chocolate chip cookie recipe. Remember to ask for your parents' permission before you use anything in the kitchen.

## Chocolate Chip Cookies

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon salt  
3/4 cup granulated [white] sugar  
2 eggs  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 cup chopped nuts (optional)

1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 cup (2 sticks, 1/2 pound)  
butter, softened  
3/4 cup packed brown sugar  
2 cups (12-oz) Semi-Sweet  
Chocolate Chips

**COMBINE** flour, baking soda and salt in small bowl. Beat butter, granulated sugar, brown sugar and vanilla in large mixer bowl. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition; gradually beat in flour mixture. Stir in morsels and nuts. Drop by rounded tablespoon onto ungreased baking sheets.

**BAKE** in preheated 375-degree [Fahrenheit] oven for 9 to 11 minutes or until golden brown. Let stand for 2 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely.  
**PAN COOKIE VARIATION: PREPARE** dough as above. Spread into greased 15"x10" jelly-roll pan. Bake in preheated 375-degree [Fahrenheit] oven for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool in pan on wire rack.

**FOR HIGH ALTITUDE BAKING (>5,200 feet): INCREASE** flour to 2 1/2 cups; add 2 teaspoonfuls water with flour; reduce both granulated sugar and brown sugar to 2/3 cup each. Bake at 375 degrees Fahrenheit, drop cookies for 8 to 10 minutes and pan cookies for 17 to 19 minutes.

## answers

"Fundy" -- Lawrence Funderburke  
"Big J.J." -- Jerome James  
"Hawk" -- Vernon Maxwell  
"C-Rob" -- Chris Robinson  
"Big Nasty" -- Corliss Williamson  
"C. Webb" -- Chris Webber