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# Rebus (People)

Estimated play time: Approximately 15 minutes

Number of players: Unlimited

Supplies needed: The page(s) with the rebuses should be either projected on a screen or printed with a copy distributed to each player.

## Overview:

Rebuses have been around for hundreds of years. They are visual games that use pictures to represent words or parts of words in a name or phrase or sentence. For example:








This rebus is translated as *IGLOO – IG = LOO* plus *SEAL* plus *BALL* = *Lucille Ball*.

In this game, each rebus represents one famous person's name. Be sure to follow carefully the + and – symbols to know whether to add the sound or to take a part of it away (as in the example above with *IGLOO*, in which you must subtract the sound *IG* and are left with the sound *LOO*.)

## Instructions:

Print (in the best quality printing available to you – color is best, but black and white should work, too) the following pages and pass them out to each player. If you want to save on the color printing, two players can share one document.

There's no scoring with this game – just have fun working out each Rebus!

1.  +  +  +  - 

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2.  -  +  +  +  - **GOP**

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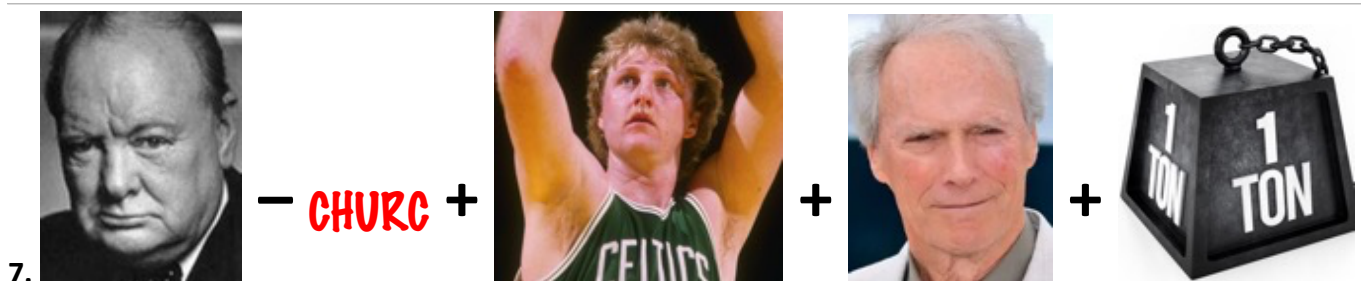
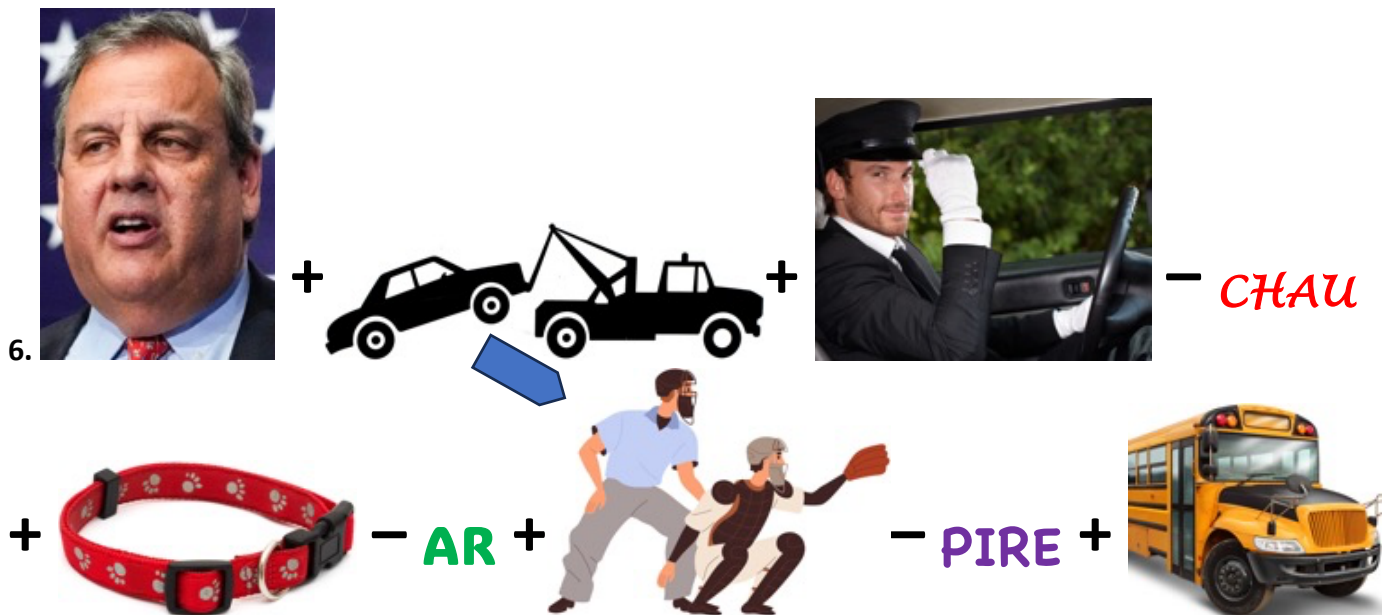
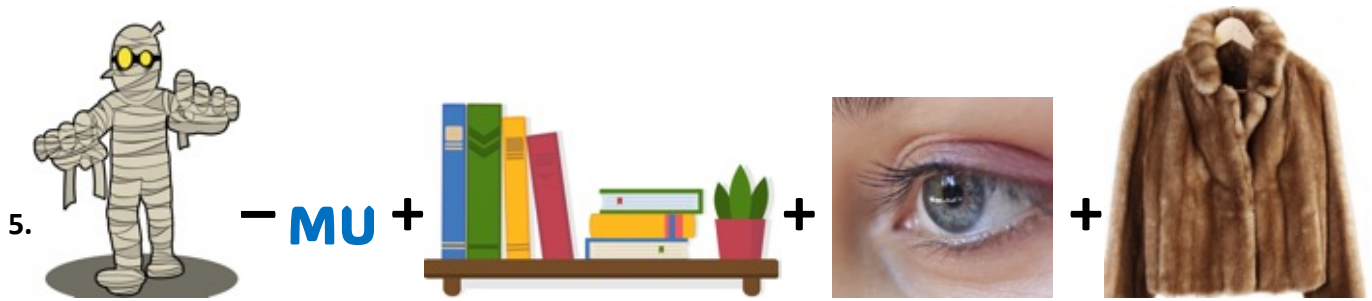
3.  +  - **KEY** +  - **QVIL** + 

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4.  - **CANO** +  +  +  - **MAID**

+  - **HA** +  + 




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8.  - **BIG** +  +  - *ionary*

+  - **CU** +  +  - **ess**

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9.  - **IS** +  - **ERY** + 

- **FFLE** +  - **FI** + 

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## ANSWERS

1. K + Tea + Core + Brick – B (Katie Couric)
2. Shell – S + Ink + L + Gopher – GOP (Helen Keller)
3. Lynde (Paul) + Donkey – KEY + John + Sun (Lyndon Johnson)
4. Volcano – CANO + O + D + Mermaid – MAID + Hazel – HA + N + Ski (Volodymyr Zelensky)
5. Mummy – MU + Shelf + Eye + Fur (Michelle Pfeiffer)
6. Chris (Christie) + Tow + Chauffeur – CHAU + Collar – AR + Umpire – PIRE + Bus (Christopher Columbus)
7. Churchill – Churc + Larry (Bird) + Clint (Eastwood) + ton (Hillary Clinton)
8. Big Ben – Big + E + Dictionary – IONARY + Cucumber – CU + Bat + Chess – ESS (Benedict Cumberbatch)
9. Dennis – IS + Celery – ERY + Waffle – FFLE + Fishing – Fi + Ton (Denzel Washington)