

Superman

Each anacronym can be arranged to form the name of an actor who played (or plays) Superman and the movie or TV series on which he appeared. Each one also has an extra trigram.

Christopher Reeve, Superman IV: The Quest for Peace (ELE)

Tom Welling, Smallville (MEN)

Dean Cain, Lois and Clark (TFI)

Brandon Routh, Superman Returns (FTY)

George Reeves, Superman and the Mole Men (SIX)

Element 56 is BARIUM.

Batman and Robin

Each sentence obliquely clues a famous person (or, in one case, a character) whose first name is Robin.

1. Robin Goodfellow (Puck in A Midsummer Night's Dream)
2. Robin Quivers (cohost with Howard Stern)
3. Robin Tunney (actress in Prison Break and The Craft)
4. Robin Ventura (third baseman for the White Sox)
5. Robin Williams (comedian in Good Morning Vietnam and Dead Poets Society)
6. Robin Wright Penn (actress from The Princess Bride and Forrest Gump)

Filling in the last name into the blanks and placing the numbered letters into the appropriate order gives the phrase WATSON'S TITLE, aka DOCTOR.

Wonder Woman

Each passage comes from an Amazon.com review of a classic book by a female author. The bracketed numbers give the enumeration of the title.

- Atlas Shrugged by Ayn Rand
- Uncle Tom's Cabin by Harriet Beecher Stowe
- Silent Spring by Rachel Carson
- To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee
- Rebecca by Daphne duMaurier
- I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou
- Anne of Green Gables by L.M. Montgomery

The first letters of the titles spell the answer AUSTRIA.

Aquaman

The array is a word search where each entry is a word that can precede FISH. The numbers following the array give the enumeration of each entry in alphabetical order.

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

- BLOW (7th row, 7th column, up)
- BONE (4th row, 2nd column, diagonally up & right)
- CAT (6th row, 1st column, right)
- CLOWN (6th row, 1st column, diagonally up & right)
- DOG (4th row, 8th column, down)
- GEFILTE (1st row, 8th column, diagonally down & left)
- GOLD (1st row, 8th column, down)
- LION (3rd row, 5th column, down)
- NEEDLE (1st row, 6th column, left)
- PARROT (9th row, 1st column, diag up and right)
- PORCUPINE (9th row, 1st column, up)
- RAINBOW (7th row, 3rd column, right)
- ROCK (8th row, 9th column, left)
- SILVER (9th row, 7th column, left)
- STAR (4th row, 4th column, diag down and left)
- SUN (2nd row, 3rd column, left)
- TRUNK (4th row, 6th column, down)
- WHITE (7th row, 9th column, up)

The unused letters spell PACERS' STATE, which is INDIANA.

Wonder Twins

1. GORILLA / LAGOON – GO
2. SALAMANDER / FLOOD – LD
3. MACAQUE / SNOWMAN – MA
4. MONGOOSE / LOCH NESS – NS
5. RACCOON / GLACIER – AC
6. SEAHORSE / HAILSTONE – HS

The added letters spell GOLDMAN SACHS

Final Challenge

Each puzzle's answer has an associated two-letter abbreviation.

BARIUM – Ba

DOCTOR – DR

AUSTRIA – at (its top-level web domain)

INDIANA – IN

GOLDMAN SACHS – GS (on the stock exchange)

These abbreviations in order spell BAD RATINGS.