## Abbott And Costello, Who's On First?

Abbott: How do youhow do you like my lawn club for St. Lou? Costello: Hey, all those people gonna be at the game today?

Abbott: Certainly.

Costello: Ah, this is gonna be a whopper of a game!

Abbott: Well it should be. Costello: Hey, Abbott

Abbott: What?

Costello: I understand they made you the manager of this here whole great team.

Abbott: Why not?

Costello: So you the manager? Abbott: I'm the manager!

Costello: Well, you know, I'd like to know some of the guys' names on the team so when I □meet 'e Abbott: Why sure I'll introduce you to the boys. They give 'em funny names though, St. Lou.

Costello: Oh I know they give those ball players awful funny names.

Abbott: Well, let's see, on the team we have uh Who's on first, What's on second, I Don't □Know is

Costello: Are you the manager?

Abbott: Yes.

Costello: You know the guys' names?

Abbott: I sure do.

Costello: Then tell me the guys' names.

Abbott: I say, Who's on first, What's on second, I Don't Know's on third and then you

Costello: You the manager?

Abbott: Yes.

Costello: You know the guys' names?
Abbott: I'm telling you their names!

Costello: Well who's on first?

Abbott: Yeah.

Costello: Go ahead and tell me.

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy on first.

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy playin' first base.

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy on first. Abbott: Who is on first!

Costello: What are you askin' me for? I'm askin' you!

Abbott: I'm not asking you, I'm telling you.

Costello: You ain't tellin' me nothin'. I'm askin' you, who's on first?

Abbott: That's it!

Costello: Well go ahead and tell me.

Abbott: Who!

Costello: The guy on first base.

Abbott: That's his name.

Costello: That's whose name?

Abbott: Yes.

Costello: Well go ahead and tell me. Abbott: That's the man's name! Costello: That's whose name?

Abbott: Yeah!

Costello: Well go ahead and tell me!

Abbott: Who is on first.

Costello: What are you askin' me for? I'm askin' you, who's on first?

Abbott: That's it.

Costello: Well go ahead and tell me.

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy on first.

Abbott: That's it.

Costello: What's the guy's name on first?

Abbott: No, What's on second.

Costello: I'm not askin' you who's on second!

Abbott: Who's on first.

Costello: That's what I'm askin' you! Who's on first?

Abbott: Now wait a minute. Don'tdon't change the players.

Costello: I'm not changin' nobody! I asked you a simple question. What's the guys' name □on first

Abbott: What's the guy's name on second base. Costello: I'm not askin' you who's on second!

Abbott: Who's on first. Costello: I don't know.

Abbott: He's on third. Now we're not talking about him.

Costello: Look, you got a first baseman?

Abbott: Yes.

Costello: Then tell me the fella's name playin' first.

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy playin' first. Abbott: That's his name.

Costello: WaitWhat's the guy's name on first base? Abbott: What is the guy's name on second base!

Costello: Who's playin' second?

Abbott: Who's playin' first. Costello: I don't know. Abbott: He's on third base.

Costello: Look, when you pay off the first baseman every month, who do you pay the □money to?

Abbott: Every dollar of it.

Costello: Yeah. Look, you gotta pay the money to somebody on first base, don't you?

Abbott: Yeah.

Costello: Does he give you a receipt?

Abbott: Sure.

Costello: How does he sign the receipt?

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy that you give the money to.

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy you give the money to.

Abbott: That's how he signs it. Costello: That's how who signs it?

Abbott: Yes.

Costello: Well go ahead and tell me!? Abbott: That's it.

Costello: That's who?

Abbott: Yeah.

Costello: When you give the guy the money, doesn't he have to sign the receipt?

Abbott: He does!

Costello: Well how does he sign his name?

Abbott: Who.

Costello: The guy you give the money to.

Abbott: That's how he signs it!

Costello: You! YouYou just don't give money to someone without having 'em sign the □receipt!

Abbott: No! Who signs it.

Costello: What are you askin' me for?

Abbott: Now calm down. I'm not asking you, I am telling you. The

Costello: Well go ahead and tell me. What's the guy's name that signs the receipt on first \( \subseteq \text{base}? \)
Abbott: Well now wait a minute. What signs his own receipt.

Costello: Who signs his own receipt?

Abbott: No, Who signs his.

Costello: I'm askin' you, when the guy on first base gives you a piece of paper

Abbott: Yes, now wait

Costello: he puts his name on it. Abbott: No, Who puts his name on it

Costello: How

Abbott: and what puts his name on it

Costello: How does the fella's name on first base look to you when he signs his name?

Abbott: Who. Costello: To you.

Abbott: That's how it does.

Costello: How does it look to you?

Abbott: Who!

Costello: To you. Abbott: Who! Costello: To you. Abbott: Who! Look

Costello: When the guy signs his name, how does it look to you?

Abbott: Now that's how it looks. Who. Costello: HóHowWho?

Abbott: Who.

Costello: I'm askin' you. What's the guy's name on first base you give the money to?

Abbott: Who! After all, the man's entitled to it

Costello: Who is?

Abbott: Yes. Sometimes his wife comes down and collects it.

Costello: Whose wife? Abbott: Yeah, sure.

Costello: All I'm tryin' to find out is what's the guy's name on first base

Abbott: What is on second base.

Costello: I'm not askin' you who's on second.

Abbott: Who's on first. Costello: I don't know.

Abbott: He's

Costello: Third base, I know.

Abbott: Yeah.

Costello: You got a outfield?

Abbott: Sure.

Costello: The left fielder's name?

Abbott: Why.

Costello: I just thought I'd ask you. Abbott: Well I just thought I'd tell you. Costello: The left fielder's name? Abbott: Why!?Costello: HmmBecause!

Abbott: Oh, he's centerfield.

Costello: Oh

Abbott: Told you all these players got

Costello: All I'm tryin' to figure out is what's the guy's name in leftfield.

Abbott: Now, What's on second.

Costello: I'm not askin' you who's on second.

Abbott: Who's on first. Costello: I don't know Both: Third base.

Costello: You got a pitcher on this team?

Abbott: Wouldn't be a fine team without a pitcher.

Costello: What's his name?

Abbott: Tomorrow.

Costello: You don't want to tell me today?

Abbott: I'm telling you. Costello: Then go ahead.

Abbott: Tomorrow!?Costello: What time?

Abbott: What time what?

Costello: What time tomorrow are you gonna tell me who's pitching?

Abbott: Now listen. Who is not

Costello: I'll break your arm, you say who's on first! I want to know what's the pitcher's □name?

Abbott: What's on second. Costello: I don't know. Both: Third base!

Costello: You got a catcher?

Abbott: Sure.

Costello: The catcher's name?

Abbott: Today.

Costello: Today. You don't wanna tell me, todaytomorrowdo you?

Abbott: I'm telling you.

Costello: So the catcher's name?

Abbott: Today.

Costello: Today. And Tomorrow's pitching.

Abbott: Now you've got it! Costello: Now I've got it

Abbott: Hey!

Costello: All we got is a couple of days on the team!

Abbott: Well I can't help that.

Costello: All right. You know now, I'm a good catcher. Now, I get behind the plate and □and Tomoi

Abbott: Yes.

Costello: Now when he gets up, me being a good catcher, I'm gonna throw the guy out at ☐first bas Abbott: Now that's the first thing you've said right.

Costello: I don't even know what I'm talkin' about!

Abbott: Well that's That's all you have

Costello: That's all I have to do is to throw the ball to first base. Now who's got it?

Abbott: Naturally. Now you've got it.

Costello: I throw the ball to first base, somebody's gotta get the ball! Now who's got it?

Abbott: Naturally. Costello: Who? Abbott: Naturally. Costello: Naturally? Abbott: Naturally.

Costello: So I pick up the ball and I throw it to Naturally.

Abbott: No, no, no, no

Costello: He gets the ball. Naturally gets the ball and Nat & amp; oacute;

Abbott: You throw the ball to first base.

Costello: Then who gets it?

Abbott: Naturally.

Costello: So I pick up the ball and I throw it to Naturally.

Abbott: No!

Costello: Naturally gets the ball and and Abbott: You throw the ball to Who.

Costello: Naturally. Abbott: Naturally.

Costello: That's what I'm saying!? Abbott: You're not saying it

Costello: I said, I throw the ball to Naturally.

Abbott: No you don't! Costello: I throw it to who?

Abbott: Naturally.

Costello: That's what I'm saying!

Abbott: No it isn't.

Costello: I throw the ball to first base, somebody's gotta get it.

Abbott: So Who gets it. Costello: Naturally. Abbott: That's it.

Costello: Okay. Now I ask you, who gets it?

Abbott: Naturally. Costello: Same as you! Abbott: Now listen

Costello: I throw the ball to Naturally.

Abbott: You throw the ball to Who!?Costello: Then who gets it?

Abbott: Naturally.

Costello: He better get it! So I throw the ball to first base.

Abbott: All right.

Costello: Whoever gets it drops the ball and the guy runs to second. Now, Who picks up ☐the ball

Abbott: Could be.

Costello: Another guy gets up and hits a long fly ball to Because.

Abbott: Yes.

Costello: Why? I don't know! He's on third and I don't give a darn!

Abbott: What'd you say?

Costello: I said, I don't give a darn! Abbott: Oh, that's our shortstop!