

Strange names, pet names...like Dizzy Dean...

Costello

His brother Daffy.

Abbott

Daffy Dean...

Costello

And their French cousin.

Abbott

French?

Costello

Goofy.

Abbott

Goofy Dean. Well, let's see, we have on the bags, Who's on first, What's on second, I Don't Know is on third...

Costello

That's what I want to find out.

Abbott

I say Who's on first, What's on second, I Don't Know's on third.

Costello

Are you the manager?

Abbott

Yes.

Costello

You gonna be the coach too?

Abbott

Yes.

Costello

And you don't know the fellows' names?

Abbott

Well, I should.

Costello

Well, then who's on first?

Abbott

Yes.

Costello

I mean the fellow's name.

Abbott

Who.

Costello

The guy on first.

Abbott

Who.

Costello

The first baseman.

Abbott

Who.

Costello

The guy playing...

Abbott

Who is on first!

Costello

I'm asking YOU who's on first.

Abbott

That's the man's name.

Costello

That's who's name?

Abbott

Yes.

Costello

Well, go ahead and tell me.

Abbott

That's it.

Costello

That's who?

Abbott

Yes.

Costello

Look, you gotta first baseman?

Abbott

Certainly.

Costello

Who's playing first?

Abbott

That's right.

Costello

When you pay off the first baseman every month, who gets the money?

Abbott

Every dollar of it.

Costello

All I'm trying to find out is the fellow's name on first base.

Abbott

Who.

Costello

The guy that gets...

Abbott

That's it.

Costello

Who gets the money...

Abbott

He does, every dollar. Sometimes his wife comes down and collects it.

Costello

Who's wife?

Abbott

Yes.

Abbott

What's wrong with that?

Costello

Look, all I wanna know is when you sign up the first baseman, how does he sign his name?

Abbott

Who.

Costello

The guy.

Abbott

Who.

Costello

How does he sign...

Abbott

That's how he signs it.

Costello

Who?

Abbott

Yes.

Costello

All I'm trying to find out is what's the guy's name on first base.

Abbott

No. What is on second base.

Costello

I'm not asking you who's on second.

Abbott

Who's on first.

Costello

One base at a time!

Abbott

Well, don't change the players around.

Costello

I'm not changing nobody!

Abbott

Take it easy, buddy.

Costello

I'm only asking you, who's the guy on first base?

Abbott

That's right.

Costello

Ok.

Abbott

All right.

Costello

What's the guy's name on first base?

Abbott

No. What is on second.

Costello

I'm not asking you who's on second.

Abbott

Who's on first.

Costello

I don't know.

Abbott

He's on third, we're not talking about him.

Costello

Now how did I get on third base?

Abbott

Why you mentioned his name.

Costello

If I mentioned the third baseman's name, who did I say is playing third?

Abbott

No. Who's playing first.

Costello

What's on first?

Abbott

What's on second.

Costello

I don't know.

Abbott

He's on third.

Costello

There I go, back on third again! Would you just stay on third base and don't go off it.

Abbott
All right, what do you want to know?

Costello
Now who's playing third base?

Abbott
Why do you insist on putting Who on third base?

Costello
What am I putting on third.

Abbott
No. What is on second.

Costello
You don't want who on second?

Abbott
Who is on first.

Costello
I don't know.

Abbott & Costello
Third base!

Costello
Look, you gotta 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

Then tell me who's playing left field.

Abbott

Who's playing first.

Costello

I'm not... stay out of the infield! I want to know what's the guy's name in left field?

Abbott

No, What is on second.

Costello

I'm not asking you who's on second.

Abbott

Who's on first!

Costello

I don't know.

Abbott & Costello

Third base!

Costello

The left fielder's name?

Abbott

Why.

Costello

Because!

Abbott

Oh, he's centerfield.

Costello

Look, You gotta pitcher on this team?

Sure. Abbott

The pitcher's name? Costello

Tomorrow. Abbott

You don't want to tell me today? Costello

I'm telling you now. Abbott

Then go ahead. Costello

Tomorrow! Abbott

What time? Costello

What time what? Abbott

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

Now listen. Who is not pitching. Abbott

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

What's on second. Abbott

I don't know. Costello

Abbott & Costello

Third base!

Costello

Gotta a catcher?

Abbott

Certainly.

Costello

The catcher's name?

Abbott

Today.

Costello

Today, and tomorrow's pitching.

Abbott

Now you've got it.

Costello

All we got is a couple of days on the team. You know I'm a catcher too.

Abbott

So they tell me.

Costello

I get behind the plate to do some fancy catching, Tomorrow's pitching on my team and a heavy hitter gets up. Now the heavy hitter bunts the ball. When he bunts the ball, me, being a good catcher, I'm gonna throw the guy out at first base. So I pick up the ball and throw it to who?

Abbott

Now that's the first thing you've said right.

Costello

I don't even know what I'm talking about!

Abbott
That's all you have to do.

Costello
Is to throw the ball to first base.

Abbott
Yes!

Costello
Now who's got it?

Abbott
Naturally.

Costello
Look, if I throw the ball to first base, somebody's gotta get it. Now who has 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 you don't, you throw the ball to Who.

Costello
Naturally.

That's different. Abbott

That's what I said. Costello

You're not saying it... Abbott

I throw the ball to Naturally. Costello

You throw it to Who. Abbott

Naturally. Costello

That's it. Abbott

That's what I said! Costello

You ask me. Abbott

I throw the ball to who? Costello

Naturally. Abbott

Now you ask me. Costello

You throw the ball to Who? Abbott

Naturally. Costello

Abbott

That's it.

Costello

Same as you! Same as YOU! I throw the ball to who. Whoever it is drops the ball and the guy runs to second. Who picks up the ball and throws it to What. What throws it to I Don't Know. I Don't Know throws it back to Tomorrow, Triple play. Another guy gets up and hits a long fly ball to Because. Why? I don't know! He's on third and I don't give a darn!

Abbott

What?

Costello

I said I don't give a darn!

Abbott

Oh, that's our shortstop!