

## Predicting and Names

**Directions:** Joseph Heller's careful choice of characters' names often reflects their defining traits and purposes. Using the following list of character names, match names with descriptions while considering how and why names are appropriate.

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| a. Appleby            | f. Kid Sister             |
| b. Captain Black      | g. Major ____ de Coverley |
| c. Chief White Halfot | h. Milo Minderbinder      |
| d. Clevinger          | i. Nurse Duckett          |
| e. Dori Duz           |                           |
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1. This character lacks empathy and sadistically enjoys manipulating others.
2. This character symbolically represents the young innocents whose lives are ruined by war.
3. This Harvard graduate considers himself to be intelligent; however, in reality, he is clueless about human nature and nuance.
4. This ultra capitalist ably twists logic and language to achieve his major aim: to make money during the war.
5. This all-American boy is unable to think deeply about serious issues or to question orders.
6. This promiscuous character belongs to the Women's Army Corps.
7. This character's name parodies his ethnicity; he is an illiterate intelligence officer who seems crazy.
8. This character avoids meaningful relationships, is efficient but not kind, and eventually marries for money.
9. This aloof character's persona, role, and responsibilities initially seem mysterious.