

Baby Bob

Each synopsis clues a consonantcy (with enumerations for the words involved):

MUTINY MOTION

OLIVE LAVA

UNIFORM ON A FARM

NOISY NOSE

TORNADO TURNED

ANGORA ANGER

IMITATE MOTTO

NO TAPE ON TOP

STAY LOOSE ST LOUIS

The first letters spell the word MOUNTAINS. The last spell the word NAME-DROPS. The answer is MENTIONS, a consonantcy of the first, and a synonym (sort of) of the second.

E/R

The answer to each clue is a word containing only the letters E and R with one additional letter:

SEER

RENEE

EAR

REEK

RYE

ERA

REM

REAR

REESE

EYRE

MERE

BEER

ORE

LEER

These added letters spell SNAKY AMA SYMBOL, which is a CADUCEUS.

Flying Blind

The right column gives a list of clues for four-letter words. The last three letters of each word form the IATA airport code for one of the airports listed in the left column. Order the answers by the airports as follows:

J – UNK (Trash)

F – LAW (Defect)

K – NOT (Bond)

S – TOP (Plug)

O – ATH (Curse)

R – ISK (Peril)

I – MAN (Supermodel)

G – LAD (Pleased)

I – DEA (Thought)

N – EAT (Clean)

A – LLY (Friend)

L – EAR (King ___)

N – EXT (Succeeding)

A – CTS (Pretends)

M – ASH (Pulp)

E – ASY (What this puzzle is, if you know IATA)

The first letters spell JFK'S ORIGINAL NAME, which (referring to the airport) is IDLEWILD.

Good Sports

Each set of words is a list of terms from a particular sport with one letter changed in each. The incorrect letters are important.

1. COLE/HOOD/CLUE -> HOLE/WOOD/CLUB (CHE)
2. BASS/SAT/STEAM -> BASE/BAT/STEAL (SSM)
3. DAWN/PUTT/CARD -> DOWN/PUNT/YARD (ATC)
4. SHARE/CUTTER/ALLOY -> SPARE/GUTTER/ALLEY (HCO)
5. PUNK/CC'ING/SLICK -> PUCK/ICING/STICK (NCL)
6. SHUT/SOUL/DINK -> SHOT/FOUL/DUNK (USI)
7. ROCKET/NERVE/SALLY -> RACKET/SERVE/RALLY (ONS)

The incorrect letters spell CHESS MATCH CONCLUSIONS, which are ENDGAMES.

Homeboys In Outer Space

The cryptolist is of aliens from movies and TV. As hinted, solvers must take the aliens' home planets and extract the indicated letter:

MORK (Mork and Mindy) – ORK – O

SPOCK (Star Trek) – VULCAN – N

LUKE SKYWALKER (Star Wars) – TATOOINE – T

MALCOLM REYNOLDS (Firefly) – SHADOW – H

THE DOCTOR (Doctor Who) – GALLIFREY – E

UNCLE MARTIN (My Favorite Martian) – MARS – M

BELDAR CONEHEAD (SNL, Coneheads) – REMULAK – A

SUPERMAN (you know who he is) – KRYPTON – P

The indicated letters spell ON THE MAP.

That's My Bush!

Solve as a standard dropquote. The internal black squares are replaced by other letters.

RARELYT**IS**P**
THE**A**QUESTION
CASKED**P**IS**R**OU
RLCHILDREN**A**L
EARNING*****

The quote (by Bush, of course) is "Rarely is the question asked: Is our children learning?". The black-square letters in left-to-right order spell CLAPTRAP.

When Things Were Rotten

The decoded sitcoms follow. The capitalized letters were the ones replaced by asterisks:

bew**I**Tched
C**H**eers
ever**Y**body love**S** raymond
s**E**iNfeld
barn**E**y Miller
murph**Y** br**O**wn
all i**N** The family
evening s**H**ad**E**
Spin c**I**ty
e**M**Pty nest
arre**S**ted devel**O**pment
frie**N**d**S**

The replaced letters spell ITCHY'S ENEMY ON THE SIMPSONS. This refers to SCRATCHY.

Scheduling

The correctly filled grid appears below:

		C	L	A	P		
S	C	R	A	T	C	H	Y
C	A	D	U	C	E	U	S
E	N	D	G	A	M	E	S
O	N	T	H	E	M	A	P
M	E	N	T	I	O	N	S
I	D	L	E	W	I	L	D
		T	R	A	P		

The second and fourth columns spell the phrase CANNED LAUGHTER (with CANNED referring to both a laugh track or to being cancelled).