

SCRIPT FOR

# Who's on First?



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LOU: Ah, what a nice day for playing baseball.

BUD: I love baseball.

LOU: Well, we all love baseball.

BUD: When we get to St. Louis, will you tell me the guy's names on the team so when I go to see them in that St. Louis ballpark, I'll be able to know them all.

LOU: Well, on the St. Louis team we have Who's on first, What's on second, I don't know's on third....

BUD: That's what I want to find out. I want you to tell me the names of the fellas on the St. Louis team.

LOU: I'm telling you, Who's on first, What's on second, I don't know's on third....

BUD: DO YOU know the fellas names?

LOU: Yes.

BUD: Well, then who is playing first?

LOU: Yea.

BUD: I mean the fellas name on first base.

LOU: Who.

BUD: The fellow playing first base for St. Louis.

LOU: Who.

BUD: The guy on first base.

LOU: Who in on first base.

BUD: Well, what are you asking me for?

LOU: I'm not asking you, I'm telling you, Who in on first.

BUD: I'm asking you, who's on first?

LOU: That's the man's name.

BUD: That's whose name?

LOU: Ya.



BUD: Well, go ahead and tell me.

LOU: Who.

BUD: The guy on first.

LOU: Who.

BUD: The first baseman.

LOU: Who is on first.

BUD: Have you got a first baseman?

LOU: Certainly.

BUD: Then who's playing first?

LOU: Absolutely.

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

LOU: Every dollar of it. Why not, the man is entitled to it.

BUD: Who is?

LOU: Ya.

BUD: So who gets it.

LOU: Why shouldn't he? Sometimes his wife comes down and gets it.

BUD: Whose wife?

LOU: Yup.

BUD: (groans, then pauses)

LOU: After all a man earns it.

BUD: Who does?

LOU: Absolutely.

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

LOU: Oh, no, no, What's on second base.

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

LOU: Who's on first.

BUD: That's what I'm trying to find out.

LOU: Well don't change the players around.



BUD: I'm not changing nobody.

LOU: Take it easy.

BUD: What's the guy's name of first base?

LOU: What's the guy's name on second base.

BUD: I'm not asking you whose on second base.

LOU: Who's on first.

BUD: I don't know.

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

BUD: How did I get on third base?

LOU: You mentioned his name.

BUD: If I mentioned the third baseman's name, who did I say was playing third?

LOU: No, Who's playing first.

BUD: Stay off of first will ya.

LOU: Well what do you want me to do?

BUD: Now, what's the guy's name on third base?

LOU: No, what's on second.

BUD: I'm not asking who is on second.

LOU: Who is on first.

BUD: I don't know.

LOU: He's on third.

BUD: There I go, back on third again.

LOU: Well I can't change their names.

BUD: Will you please stay on third base.

LOU: Now what is it that you wanted to know?

BUD: What is the fellas name on third base?

LOU: What is the fellas name on second base.

BUD: I'm not asking you who is on second.

LOU: Who is on first.



BUD: I don't know.

BOTH: Third base.

BUD: (groan) You got an outfield?

LOU: Well, sure.

BUD: St. Louis has got a good outfield?

LOU: Absolutely.

BUD: The left fielders name?

LOU: Why.

BUD: I don't know, I just thought I'd ask ya.

LOU: I just thought I'd tell you.

BUD: Then tell me who is playing left field.

LOU: Who is playing first.

BUD: Stay out of the infield.

LOU: Don't mention them then.

BUD: I want to know what's the fellas name in left field?

LOU: What is on second.

BUD: I'm not asking you who is on second.

LOU: Who is on first.

BUD: I don't know.

BOTH: Third base.

BUD: (groan)

LOU: Take it easy..... Take it easy.

BUD: And the left fielder's name?

LOU: Why.

BUD: Because.

LOU: Oh, he's in center field.

BUD: (groan) You got a pitcher on the field?

LOU: Wouldn't this be a fine team without a pitcher.



BUD: I don't know, tell me the pitcher's name.

LOU: Tomorrow.

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

LOU: I'm telling you the man.

BUD: Then go ahead.

LOU: Tomorrow.

BUD: What time?

LOU: What time what?

BUD: What time tomorrow are you going to tell me whose pitching?

LOU: Now listen, who is not pitching. Who is on first.

BUD: I'll break your neck. I don't want to know whose on first. I want to know what's the pitcher's name?

LOU: What's on second.

BUD: I'm not asking you whose on second.

LOU: Who's on first.

BUD: I don't know.

BOTH: Third base.

BUD: You got a catcher?

LOU: Ya.

BUD: What's the catcher's name?

LOU: Today.

BUD: Today... and Tomorrow's pitching.

LOU: Now you've got it.

BUD: That's odd, St. Louis has got a couple of days on their team.

LOU: I can't help that.

BUD: Now, tomorrows pitching and todays catching. Tomorrow throws the ball and the guy up bunts the ball. Now when he bunts the ball, today gets the ball and throws the guy out at first base, so he throws it to who?

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



BUD: I don't even know what I'm talking about.

LOU: Well, that's all he has to do.

BUD: Is to throw it to first base.

LOU: Yes.

BUD: Now who's got it.

LOU: Naturally.

BUD: Who has it?

LOU: Naturally.

BUD: Naturally?

LOU: Naturally.

BUD: OK.

LOU: Now you've got it.

BUD: Today picks the ball and throws it to naturally.

LOU: No. He throws it to first base.

BUD: And who gets it?

LOU: Naturally.

BUD: OK, He throws the ball to naturally.

LOU: You don't, you throw it to first base.

BUD: And who gets it?

LOU: Naturally.

BUD: That's what I said.

LOU: You did not.

BUD: OK, he gets the ball and throws it to who?

LOU: Naturally.

BUD: And who gets the ball?

LOU: Naturally.

BUD: You throw the ball to naturally and naturally gets it.



LOU: No, you throw the ball to who and who gets it.

BUD: Naturally.

LOU: Right, you got to say it that way.

BUD: That's what I'm saying.

LOU: All right, now don't get excited, take it easy.

BUD: Now, he throws the ball to first base, whoever it is drops the ball, so the guy runs to second....

LOU: um...hum.

BUD: 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, a triple play.


LOU: Ya, it could be.

BUD: Another guy gets up and it's a long fly ball to because, Why? I don't know, he's on third and I don't care.

LOU: What was that?

BUD: I said, I don't care!

LOU: Oh, that's our short stop.



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