# WHY DID THEY CALL YOU THAT?

## MATCH THE SENTENCES HALVES

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| 1 | Her name's Katheryn, but she's **called** | c | a his father, Robert Downey Senior. |
| 2 | Gordon Sumner's **nickname** | ___ | b Barbara Vine. |
| 3 | The singer **changed his name** from | ___ | ~~c Katy for short.~~ |
| 4 | Robert Downey Junior **is named after** | ___ | d **for** Bradley. |
| 5 | Ruth Rendell sometimes wrote under the **pseudonym** | ___ | e is Sting. |
| 6 | Brad **is short** | ___ | f Peter Gene Hernandez to Bruno Mars. |

## COMPLETE THE DEFINITIONS WITH A WORD FROM THE LIST

~~first name~~ full name initials maiden name married name middle name

1 your *first name* _____ is a name that your parents choose for you when you are born

2 a _____ is the name between a person's first name and surname

3 a woman's _____ is her surname before she gets married

4 a woman's _____ is her surname after she gets married

5 your _____ is your whole name, including your first name, any middle names, and your family name

6 your _____ are the first letters of all your names

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**USE THE WORDS IN THE PREVIOUS ACTIVITIES TO COMPLETE THE TEXT**

## The story behind a name

**Agatha Christie** is the bestselling novelist of all time. She wrote 66 detective stories under her own name and six romances under the [1] *pseudonym* Mary Westmacott.

Agatha Christie's [2] _____ name and surname are known worldwide, but few people know what the rest of the writer's [3] _____, A.M.C.C., stand for. Agatha had two [4] _____ names, Mary and Clarissa, so her [5] _____ name was Agatha Mary Clarissa Christie. Christie was, in fact, her [6] _____ name – in 1914 she married Archie Christie ('Archie' is [7] _____ for Archibald). Agatha's [8] _____ name was Miller. Agatha and Archie Christie divorced in 1928, and when Agatha got married a second time – to the archaeologist Max Mallowan – she did not [9] _____ her name again.

As for Agatha Christie's family, she had a sister, Margaret Frary Miller, who was [10] _____ 'Madge' for short. Madge was [11] _____ after their grandmother's sister, Margaret West. Agatha also had a brother, Louis Montant Miller, whose [12] _____ was 'Monty'.

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