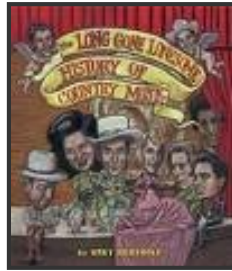


In “Dear Mr. Henshaw” by Beverly Cleary, sixth-grader Leigh Botts remembers happier times when he and his mother and father made up lonesome one-missing-shoe Country-Western songs at the dinner table. The songs were pretty silly! Here is a silly word game you can play with your family taken from “The Long Gone Lonesome History of Country Music” by Bret Bertholf. Little, Brown & Company, 2007.



The Big List of Country Nicknames

Nicknames are a great tradition in Country music.

Now YOU can have a Country nickname just by using this chart.

Find the first letter of your first and last names to get your new nickname!

First Name	Last Name
A = Stinky	A = Hogfat
B = Goober	B = Loudbottom
C = Lefty	C = Chucklehead
D = Tubby	D = Biscuits
E = Cooter	E = Tummy
F = Slim	F = Gatorface
G = Little	G = Sizzler
H = Tootsie	H = Toejam
I = Red	I = Bigmouth
J = Skeeter	J = Outback
K = Boots	K = Widepants
L = Junior	L = Bigfoot
M = Booger	M = Buckets
N = Tex	N = Tater
O = Doc	O = Howdy
P = Lucky	P = Corncob
Q = Hylo	Q = Pockets
R = Crash	R = Stringbean
S = Knuckles	S = Pooter
T = Weenus	T = Bottoms
U = Tiny	U = Festus
V = Poodle	V = Domino
W = Curly	W = Moonshine
X = Stubby	X = Kumquat
Y = Shake	Y = Wizzer
Z = Pancho	Z = Cupcake