

AND SOUND AS SWEET BY ANY OTHER NAME?

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*Let us speak plain; there is more force in names
Than most men dream of...*

J.R. Lowell, *A Glance Behind the Curtain*

Are some of us subconsciously drawn to jobs for which our names describe a primary product, action or tool with which we work? When parents name a child do they "bestow nomen atque omen," or a name and an omen [Plautus, *Persa*, act iv, scene 4]? Whether omens, directions, or merely humorous coincidence, the personal names in general use and career combinations listed below are offered for your amusement. Match the names in the second column with the occupations in the first.

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| 1. an accountant named ---- | Adam |
| 2. a backhoe operator named ---- | Bill |
| 3. a banker named ---- | Bud |
| 4. a barber named ---- | Buffy |
| 5. a brewer named ---- | Cary |
| 6. a cartoonist named ---- | Doug |
| 7. a coffee-house owner named ---- | Drew |
| 8. a dentist named ---- | Harry |
| 9. a disc jockey named ---- | Holly |
| 10. a fencing instructor named ---- | Jack |
| 11. a fisherman named ---- | Joe |
| 12. a gas station attendant named ---- | John |
| 13. a heating & cooling specialist named ---- | Justin Casey |
| 14. a justice of the peace named ---- | Linda |
| 15. a landscape architect named ---- | Mary |
| 16. a lawyer named ---- | Mike |
| 17. a manicurist named ---- | Mo |
| 18. a meteorologist named ---- | Perry |
| 19. a tire mechanic named ---- | Philip |
| 20. a mover named ---- | Ray |
| 21. a physicist named ---- | Rod |
| 22. a plumber named ---- | Sonny |
| 23. a probate judge named ---- | Sue |
| 24. a solar panel salesman named ---- | Tom Collins |
| 25. a yard man named ---- | Van |
| 26. a bartender named ---- | Vince |
| 27. an insurance salesman named ---- | Will |