MY FAVORITE MAGIC

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This is certainly my favorite word-magic effect. It starts with the subject finding the words that solve the following list of definitions.

1. Hawthorne's red letter
2. UFO pilot
3. Indian greeting
4. Signaling speed unit
5. First appearance
6. Abbot on first (two words)
   (alternate clue) Wall Street?
7. Self-love (var. O.E.D.)
8. Political philosophy
9. Certain caterpillars

The astute mathologists among you will quickly recognize the magic (or semimagic) property of these nine answers. See Answers and Solutions for an interpretation.