

# The RUNYON QUIZ

For the Playbill for **THREE WISE GUYS**

## Part 1:

Damon Runyon's characters speak with their own distinctive vocabulary. Take the quiz below to test your knowledge of Runyon's lexicon.

1. Which of the following means *money* in Runyonese?

- a) Bobs
- b) Scratch
- c) Potatoes
- d) Fish
- e) All of the above

2. What is a *Betsy*?

- a) Waitress
- b) Winning horse
- c) Pretty woman
- d) Gun
- e) All of the above

3. Which of the following means *jail*?

- a) Campus
- b) Sty
- c) Sneezer
- d) Cave
- e) All of the above

4. A *nose* is which of the following?

- a) Shnoozer
- b) Buffer
- c) Beezer
- d) Sniffer
- e) All of the above

5. A *chalk eater* in Runyon's world is which of the following?

- a) One who bets only on favorites
- b) Pool shark
- c) Stool pigeon
- d) Corpse
- e) All of the above

Answers: 1-e, 2-d, 3-c, 4-c, 5-a

## Part 2:

Draw a line from one column to the other to match the words.

Rooty-toot-toot  
Elbow  
Stick Man  
Kady  
Blat  
Clev

Detective  
Knife  
Newspaper  
Tommy Gun  
Croupier  
Hat

### Correct Alignment:

Rooty-toot-toot	Tommy gun
Elbow	Detective
Stick Man	Croupier
Kady	Hat
Blat	Newspaper
Clev	Knife