

**Athletes and Their Nicknames**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Below is a list of famous current and past athletes in different sports. You may know some or all of their names. Can you match the athlete with his or her nickname? Try to get as many as you can. When you're done, think of your favorite athlete and give him or her a nickname. Explain why you chose the nickname.

Color the athlete and his or her nickname matching colors. The first has been done.

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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Muhammad Ali          | Sultan of Swat      |
| Babe Ruth             | The Big Unit        |
| Giannis Antetokounmpo | The Georgia Peach   |
| Randy Johnson         | Louisville Lip      |
| James Harden          | Big Papi            |
| Michael Jordan        | Baby-faced Assassin |
| Ty Cobb               | The Great One       |
| Pete Rose             | His Airness         |
| David Ortiz           | The Golden Bear     |
| Lionel Messi          | Momma Smash         |
| Serena Williams       | The Big Hurt        |
| Jack Nicklaus         | Atomic Flea         |
| Stephen Curry         | The Greek Freak     |
| Joe DiMaggio          | The Beard           |
| Frank Thomas          | Joltin' Joe         |
| Wayne Gretzky         | Charlie Hustle      |

Who is your favorite athlete? \_\_\_\_\_

What nickname would you give to him or her?  
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Why?

## Answers

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