A mnemonic (pronounced nehm-ik because the initial m is silent) is a memory device. For example, a popular mnemonic for remembering the order of notes on the treble clef, EGBDF, is Every Good Boy Does Fine.

People’s names can also be remembered via mnemonics. In fact, making a mnemonic for your own name helps other people remember it better.

To make a mnemonic for your first name, you can play off the way your name sounds (with a word or phrase that rhymes or sounds similar) or you can play off the meaning of your name. It’s also good to personalize the mnemonic with one of your traits or other characteristics.

**NAME MNEMONICS**

My name is Robin, like the bird, but I’ve never Tweeted.

My name is Isabella, which sounds like “Is A Bell A necessary tool on a bicycle?,” and I do have a bell on my bike.

My name is Anthony, and I’m witty “And Funny.”

My name is Taylor, like the profession of tailor, and I actually do know how to sew.

My name is Meiying, which means beautiful flower, and I love flowers.

My name is Catherine, like a cat, but I’m not as much of a jerk as some cats are.

Professor Gernsbacher