

## Password Must Contain...: Solution

Each of Jaq Ardlüm's students has produced a string of seemingly random gibberish--but closer inspection reveals entries in five categories that have been split (roughly) by syllable! Solvers must identify the items in the category (Gumshoes are helped with a clue to the category given), and then extract them. We begin by properly dividing the strings:

**AU/CLO/ME/RAIN/SUN/ROR/UDS/TE/BOW/SHINE/A/OR**

**AF/DAI/HU/LAUNCH/WEB/LAC/SY/EY/PAD/BY**

**CHAR/FORM/HAR/NAV/PHI/MING/ERLY/RY/EEN/LIP/KNOWN**

**DO/FOO/GOO/IN/SIL/PEY/LISH/FY/ANE/LY**

**IZ/HALL/MARY/MICH/UR/ABEL/E/AM/ELLE/SU/LALA**

**ARCHAE/FAU/FLO/FUN/PRO/BAC/NA/RA/GI/TIST/ERIA/TA**

**IN/JUM/OF/SKELL/SPAR/THE/PING/HEA/ING/ROW/BOX/RTS/TON**

**CHUCK/FER/MISS/MIN/RAT/ECH/DIE/BIA/NIE/IGAN/EESE/CA**

*(There is an N missing after "BIA"; we apologize for this erratum.)*

**BL/GR/JAS/OO/WHI/ACK/EEN/MINE/LONG/TE**

**AR/BUR/CARL/MC/WEN/BY/GER/SJR/DON/DYS/KING/ALDS**

*(ARBY should have an "S" after "BY"; we apologize.)*

The categories are thus:

- Aurora, Clouds, Meteor, Rainbow, Sunshine (Things in the Sky)
- Aflac, Daisy, Huey, Launchpad, Webby (Famous Ducks)
- Charming, Formerly Known, Harry, Naveen, Philip (Famous Princes)
- Dopey, Foolish, Goofy, Inane, Silly (Synonyms for "Ridiculous!")
- Izabella, Halle, Maryam, Michelle, Ursula (First Names of Bond Girl Actresses)
- Archaeobacteria, Fauna, Flora, Fungi, Protista (Taxonomic Kingdoms)
- In-the-Box, Jumping, of Hearts, Skellington, Sparrow (Famous Jacks)
- Chuck E. Cheese, Ferdie, Miss Bianca, Minnie, Ratigan (Famous Mice)
- Black, Green, Jasmine, Oolong, White (Teas)
- Arby's, Burger King, Carl's Jr., McDonald's, Wendy's (Fast Food Restaurants)

A computer-based puzzle that reveals five-length strings must be tied to binary! :p As the hint about the Disney Channel suggests, certain members of each line contains at least one Disney/Pixar *character*. Those should be read as "1"s in the binary strings, with the other members as "0"s. Doing this will yield the following:

-AURORA, Clouds, Meteor, Rainbow, Sunshine: 10000: P  
-Aflac, DAISY, HUEY, LAUNCHPAD, WEBBY 01111: O  
-CHARMING, Formerly Known, Harry, NAVEEN, PHILIP: 10011: S  
DOPEY, Foolish, GOOFY, Inane, Silly: 10100: T  
-Izabella, Halle, Maryam, Michelle, URSULA: 00001: A  
-Archaeobacteria, FAUNA, FLORA, Fungi, Protista 01100: L  
-In-The-Box, Jumping, of Hearts, SKELLINGTON, SPARROW: 00011: C  
-Chuck E. Cheese, FERDIE, MISS BIANCA, MINNIE, RATIGAN: 01111: O  
-Black, Green, JASMINE, Oolong, White: 00100: D  
-Arby's, Burger King, CARL's Jr., McDonald's, WENDY's: 00101: E

The answer is **POSTAL CODE!** :D