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Allusion Activity

An allusion is a reference to a person, place, event, literary work, or piece of art.

Example: *Robert doesn't like to spend money. Some people call him a Scrooge, but he just thinks of himself as thrifty.*

The allusion is the reference to Scrooge, a miserly character in *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens. If you are familiar with the character Scrooge, the allusion should bring to mind a person who pinches pennies and isn't generous with his wealth.

Directions: Complete the chart by finding three allusions in the play *Iron Man*.

Allusion	To whom or what it refers	Meaning
Jericho missile	Biblical city of Jericho	Blowing trumpets knocked down the walls surrounding the city of Jericho. The Jericho missile knocks down an entire mountain.

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