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2015 has been a year where parents have gravitated to traditional names for their newborns. Although, based on predictions made by “The Baby Center,” parents will veer from the traditional name pool, and instead, look to pop culture for their inspiration.

Some of the name choices are said to be derived from movie stars as well as characters portrayed in various mainstream films.

Effie from “Hunger Games” was rated number four on the predicted most popular girls’ names in 2016. Other movie and television inspired names on both the boys’ and girls’ predicted most popular names in 2016 include: Luna, a female character in “Harry Potter,” Marni, a female character from the hit show “Girls,” and Khaleesi, a female character in “Game of Thrones,” as well as Kit, inspired by Jon Snow’s character portrayed by Kit Harington, and even Atticus from the 1960s novel to movie-adaptation, “To Kill a Mockingbird.”

Apart from the use of television and movie characters, there’s also been a spiral of interest in the 50s era as well as geographical locations as well—with Queenie, Dottie and Delphine making it to the top of “The Baby Center’s” top 30 girls’ baby names in 2016. Where Huxley, Herbert and Lawson, also 50s inspired, making it to the top 30 boys’ baby names.

Geographical names have been commonly used over the years; and, some parents are said to use to this category quite often in 2016: with Cairo, Aspen, Darwin and London being a few of the geographical inspired names which have made it on to “The Baby Center’s” top 30 boys’ and girls’ names for 2016.

Originality seems to always be on everyone’s mind when picking baby names, and with movie, television, era and geographical names being used as inspiration when making that special decision in a parent’s life, I’m curious to see where else people will start looking for their baby names in the future.

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