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## Find the Allusion



<u>Directions</u>: write down the allusions you hear from the following paragraph. And if you want to be extra clever—and display your inner Einstein—explain the meaning of each allusion.

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a better person. However, I can't. And my achilles heel when it comes to self-improvement is
video games. Sometimeswith all the stress I haveI feel like I am carrying the world on my
shoulders. And my escape from stress is a good video game: Spiderman, Minecraft, anything. In
fact, If I don't have any free time to play video games I become a real Scrooge. I know that I need
better methods to deal with stress. There is no golden ticket to doing this. Video games are my
kryptoniteand I must take the necessary steps to build better habits. It is going to take a
herculean effort, I know. I plan on doing this by replacing my video game playing with exercise.
This should get me back on the straight and narrow. I believe daily exercise will help boost my
self-esteem and mood, and not lead me into the temptation of playing video games.

## Answers:

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