

# NIXING THE LASERS

This puzzle looks really similar to Fixing the Lasers from Round 1! In fact, noticing that is key to solving this puzzle, and will be a big part of many puzzles in Round 2.

In this case, we have another set of eight categories and need to choose a word from each. Each category corresponds to one of the categories from Fixing the Lasers, and when the categories are paired up like this, they will have one element in common (their “intersection”, if you will):

- Brad Pitt film = **ALLIED** = (WW2's \_\_\_\_\_ Powers)
- Architectural hemisphere = **DOME** = (Type of fossil in Pokemon Red/Blue)
- Homophone of a number = **FOR** = (Word in the last sentence of this puzzle's flavortext)
- Company with a one-letter NYSE symbol = **FORD** = (U.S. President)
- 90s video game console = **GENESIS** = (Book of the Pentateuch, in English)
- *Gremlins* character = **GIZMO** = (Member of the H.I.V.E. Five)
- Gas station brand = **SHELL** = (15-213 homework assignment, with “-lab”)
- Word with the same vowel appearing twice in a row = **THREE** = (One-digit number)

Once that's done, what do we do with these words? Well, if we “remember the general structure of the grid”, we'll be able to put the words in the same grid from Fixing the Lasers! Now, reading the intersections between words gives us the final answer, **ROLE**.

