

The grid for this puzzle should've been harder than the meta itself. Once you realized there were 7 rebuses in the grid, it was pretty clear what each one stood for: SF meant San Francisco and KC meant Kansas City. The only issue was determining exactly which sporting event I was looking for. While many of you first submitted last year's Super Bowl (the timing is right for that, after all), the answer I was looking for was the 2014 World Series. The order of the rebus squares indicated the winning team of each of the 7 games in that series. Plus, the title was a play on words: the "trick" to the puzzle was realizing that the logos in the rebuses are also worn on the hats of each team, and 2014 was also San Francisco's 3rd World Series Championship. Also, for those of you that aren't sports-inclined: we usually do not refer to Super Bowls by the year that they were played, we generally refer to the roman number/number of the Super Bowl (e.g. last year's game is Super Bowl LV (55), not Super Bowl 2021) so when the meta prompt asked for a specific year, that was another hint.

