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Classroom Cereal

Date: _____

Story 16

Part 1 of 5

“The Corn Muffin Incident of 1997”

Part 1 of 5: Best Friends

Directions

1. Read the story
2. Find the five errors
3. Mark the errors using the key

Malina couldn't wait for Monday. After meeting Howard McKay on Saturday, she couldn't stop wondering about his story. Howard's son had nearly died, Ryan McKay, when he was a student at Fairview Middle School. It happened during an event Malina had heard teachers mention but otherwise knew nothing about — the Corn Muffin Incident of 1997. Malina knew just the person to ask about it — Mrs. Rose, Fairview Middle's beloved front office secretary.

“Of course I remember the Corn Muffin Incident of 1997, my dear,” Mrs. Rose told Malina on Monday morning. “That was one of the most frightening days in the history of Fairview Middle School. You know, one of our teachers was a student here around that time. She may have known Ryan McKay. Do you know Ms. Martinez?”

Malina thanked Mrs. Rose and sprinted out of the office and down the hall. Malina has forgotten that Ms. Martinez, one of her favorite teachers from seventh grade, had been a student at Fairview Middle in the late 90s.

“Oh my gosh, Ryan McKay?” Ms. Martinez said to Malina a few minutes later. “I haven't heard that name in years. He was one of my best friends. Take a seat. I'll tell you what happened to Ryan on that day back in 1997.”

Key

- Spelling error
- Add punctuation
- Capitalize letter
- Remove word
- Wrong word
- Move word
- Make letter lower case

Checklist

1.
2.
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5.

Questions

Do you know people who were around in the late 90s? How old were they in 1997?

Ask your teacher

How was middle school in 1997 different than middle school today?