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Classroom Cereal

Date: _____

Story 7

Part 2 of 5

“The Skills Test”

Part 2 of 5: A Familiar Scribble

After school, Malina snuck into the library. Almost all of the big fluorescent lights were switched off, leaving the library dark and mysterious. The library was off limits to students after school, and Malina knew she had only a few minutes before the custodian arrived to vacuum. She was searching for one name. Mark Twain.

As she scanned a shelf Malina thought back to the strange messages she'd received during that afternoon's TST session. Who was the messenger? Why was she chosen to help lead the protest? And was Mark Twain really *that* motivational? Suddenly, a bulky blue book spine caught her eye. *The Times and Teachings of Mark Twain*.

The book's spine didn't crack like it were stiff. The pages flopped to the side as if they were used to being turned. By the light of her phone, Malina flipped page after page. She froze when she came to one marked by a alien green ink. The messenger's education quote was circled, and below it, in the same green marker, was scribbled TST rebellion. The letters reminded her of graffiti. Malina swore she recognized the handwriting.

TST rebellion

One a the library's double doors flew open and Malina turned to see the custodian. Malina ran through the library's back exit and into the hallway, the Twain book tucked beneath her arm.

Directions

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

Key

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

Checklist

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Question

What clues tell you the messenger recently read *The Times and Teachings of Mark Twain*?