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# Classroom Cereal

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Story 16

Part 2 of 5

## “The Corn Muffin Incident of 1997”

### Part 2 of 5: Game Boy

#### Directions

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

“Today,” the teacher announced, “we’ll be making corn muffins!”

It was an unseasonably warm February day in 1997. On the third floor of Fairview Middle School, the home economics classroom hummed with activity, Room 310. As the bell rang, some students shuffled in front of the shiny sinks and stoves of their kitchen stations. Others, who were depositing or retrieving notes at the Spice Cabinet at the back of the classroom, scurried into the hallway. Ryan McKay discretely played his Game Boy Pocket, trying to keep it hidden from the teacher’s view.

“Ryan, can you hand me the canola oil?” someone asked a few minutes later. Without looking up from the Game Boy, Ryan reached into the cabinet next to him and handed his classmate a plastic bottle.

“Psssst. Ryan!” whispered someone at the door. “Can you drop this note at the Spice Cabinet for me?” It was Melissa Martinez a fellow seventh grader and one of Ryan’s best friends. Still playing his Game Boy, Ryan took the note from Melissa and returned to his station. He tossed the note on the counter.

About thirty minutes later, when the corn muffins were finished, Ryan’s attention was finally ripped from his Game Boy by the sound of someone choking.

“Gah!!!” a classmate coughed. “These muffins are disgusting!!! Ryan!!! You gave us liquid soap, not canola oil!!!”

As Ryan moved to help his choking classmate, smoke billowed over his shoulder. Melissa’s note had drifted onto the stove and set the counter on fire.

#### Key

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

#### Checklist

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

#### Question

Ryan is distracted by his Game Boy. What two problems did this cause?