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# Classroom Cereal

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## “Fairview Heights Luxury Condominiums”

### Part 4 of 5: Mr. Nitman

Mr. Nitman had been their science teacher when Cooper, Malina, and Rodgers were in seventh grade. These days, he spent most of his time at the Fairview public Library. Studying Fairview history had become his favorite retirement pastime.

“Take a look at this,” Mr. Nitman said, sliding a dusty book across the table. “In the 1950s, after Sputnik, Fairview Junior High School built a bomb shelter under the school. Lots of schools across the country were doing it. It was a response to the fear of nuclear—”

“Mr. Nitman,” Cooper interrupted. “Everybody already knows that. We found the bomb shelter last year, remember?”

“Ah, of course,” Mr. Nitman continued. He consulted a stack of books beside him. “How about this? After the stock market crash in 1929, a group of people went looking for Thomas Smith’s treasure, just like we did, but—”

“Sir,” Malina said, “that sounds really cool, we need something historically significant enough to stop them from tearing down FMS. Was, like, a future president ever a student there or something?”








Around the big library table, they sat for a minute in gloomy silence. Then, for some miraculous reason, Charles had a flashback. He was bounced around on the back of a horse-drawn carriage. The air was cold on his face. From the front of the sleigh, a man in a fur hat was shouting something.

“Martin Van Buren,” Charles mumbled.

#### 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.
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#### Question

Charles has a flashback at the end of Part 4. Do you know what he’s remembering?