

Read the text and decide if the sentences are T (true), F (false) or NS (not stated).



The famous American writer Mark Twain was a great humorist not only in his books but also in life. Once, staying in England he decided to see the horse races not far away from London. Walking to the station after the races, he met a friend of his.

As the man had lost all his money at the races he asked the writer to buy him a railway ticket to London.

"You see, old boy," said Mark Twain. "Sorry, I haven't got enough money for two tickets. But don't worry; I've got a perfect idea. Wait for me here. I'll buy a ticket for me and you can travel hiding under my seat."

When the writer came back from the ticket-office, they found an empty compartment and Mark Twain's friend got under the seat. When the train had moved, the conductor started checking the tickets. He asked, "Could you show the ticket to me, please?" The writer handed him two tickets.

Looking round the empty compartment, the conductor asked who the second ticket belonged to. "Oh, it's my friend's," replied the joker, "he's hiding under his seat. You see, he's a little bit strange and likes travelling like that."

1. Mark Twain came to London on business.

T (true) F (false) NS (not stated)

2. The friend had enough money to travel back.

T (true) F (false) NS (not stated)

3. The writer bought two tickets.

T (true) F (false) NS (not stated)

4. The inspector noticed two men in the compartment.

T (true) F (false) NS (not stated)

5. All of them laughed at this joke.

T (true) F (false) NS (not stated)