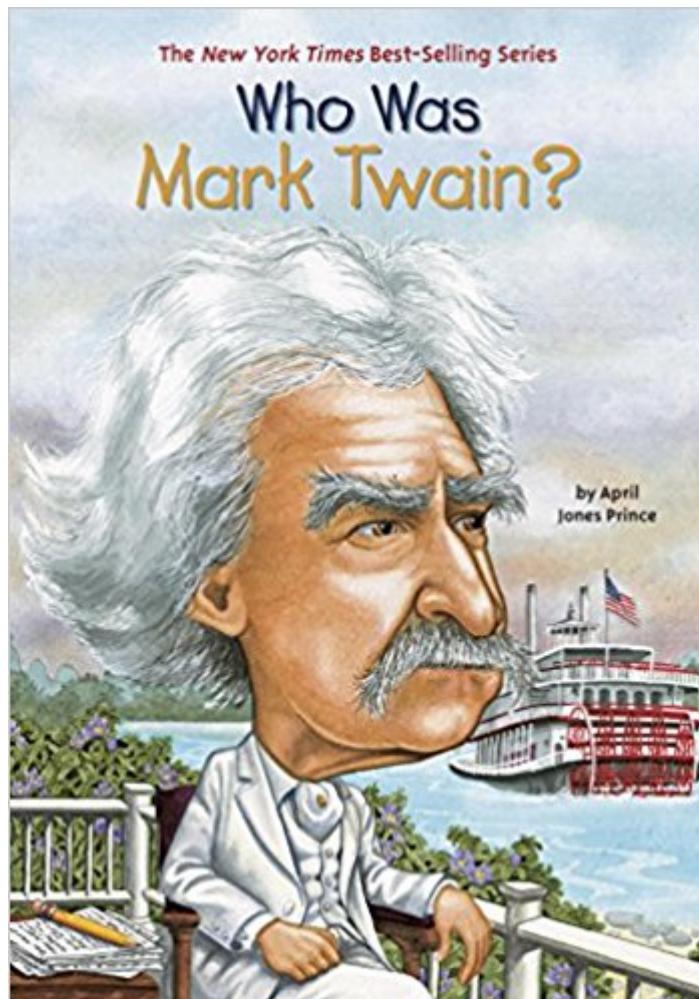


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# Who Was Mark Twain?: Who Was?



## **Synopsis**

A humorist, narrator, and social observer, Mark Twain is unsurpassed in American literature. Best known as the author of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, Mark Twain, not unlike his protagonist, Huck, has a restless spirit. He found adventure prospecting for silver in Nevada, navigating steamboats down the Mississippi, and making people laugh around the world. But Twain also had a serious streak and decried racism and injustice. His fascinating life is captured candidly in this enjoyable biography.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

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My students are in a 5th and 6th grade gifted class and all really enjoy the entire series of "Who Was?" "Who Is?" and "What Was?" books for their AR (Accelerated Reader) goals. These series are all classified as nonfiction, with book level from 4.5-6.0 and they are worth 1 point. They hadn't read his books for the most part, but found his biography interesting.

I bought this book for my 8-year-old granddaughter because she had been reading some of Mark Twain's stories which had been edited for younger readers, and my daughter told me that she was really enjoying them. Here is her review of "Who Was Mark Twain?". Dear Grandma, I really loved the book about Mark Twain. It was kind of sad towards the end, but that kind of gave the moral to the story. In the old times, people got very sick. I liked the beginning especially, because it told about when Mark Twain was a boy. I learned about Halley's Comet. It was fun and interesting. His stories were based on his own life. So now you can see that I liked it a lot!! Thank you for giving me this book. It was great! Love, Laurel

Summer reading for granddaughter. She has enjoyed learning about Mark Twain.

Purchased this for my 9 yr old son for school reading. Both of us enjoyed the book. It is well written providing a good biography of Mark Twain. I also like the side notes on topics mention in the biography and the defining of some vocabulary words that may be new to young readers. I have purchased a number of the Who Was ... series books and have been very satisfied with all of them.

Love the book and it also tells a lot about Mark Twain

Giving as a Christmas gift. I was pleased just looking at it.

Good read for 10 yr old son. Collecting the series!

Boy, did I learn a lot about Mark Twain. I read this to a class who was studying about life on the Mississippi River. The students also had to take a AR test and they did a great job listening. I put this book into our school library. I love this whole series of books!!!

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