

6. The challenges the People Who Changed the World faced were often monumental. The following is a superb example of the challenges faced by Louis Braille. The citations are complete. Again, please note the marks on the page were examples of braille lettering which did not copy well.

6. Louis had to endeavor many challenges through his life. One challenge was learning how to get through everyday life after his accident. He would bump into chairs, trip over tree roots, and was always hesitant to walk in fear of hitting something (Bryant 35). He used his persistence to keep exploring the world outside of his home. He also needed fearlessness because he had to do things without knowing if he might physically get hurt in the process. Another challenge that Louis had to face was being discouraged by Charles Barbier at their meeting when Louis was twelve. When Louis told him about the drawbacks to night writing, Barbier didn't like that a boy was trying to tell him that his system was flawed, he used such an intimidating voice that Louis knew he would have to improve the system on his own (Freedman 39). Louis needed to possess courage to stand up to an adult and try and correct their system. No matter how politely you do it adults do not like to be corrected by children. Another challenge that Louis faced was trying to get the government to accept Braille as a writing system for the blind. It took many hard years of work to finally pass. Sadly, he never got to see it pass, they passed it after he had died (Keeler 27). Louis needed the quality of perseverance to keep on trying to get the government to accept Braille. If he had given up, who knows if we would ever have embraced Braille?