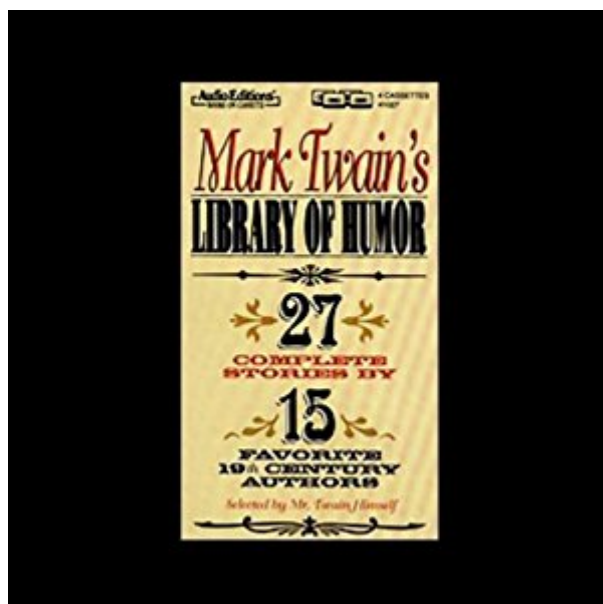


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Mark Twain's Library Of Humor



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Interesting writer certainly very humorous.

It's Mark Twain

I knew this was a compilation of stories by a number of authors but there were just a few written by Mark Twain and, given the title, I was expecting more Twain stories.

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