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Proofreading for Spelling

My Brother Martin
Spelling: Short *e* and Long *e*

Find the misspelled words and circle them. Write them correctly on the lines below.

Many years ago, Africans were forced to come to the United States as slaves. They lived without freedom. Many people were against slavery. They, at least, were eager to spread change and worked hard to free slaves.

Slavery was abolished, but change was slow. When Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a boy, his mother explained that she could no longer pretend to believe that as a member of the Atlanta community, she could eat at any restaurant in the city or stroll in the park and enjoy the fresh air. The reason she gave was that some states still had unfair laws that kept black people and white people separate.

Though Dr. King paid a steep price for working for equality, his contributions would offer a gleam of hope that change would come.

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Spelling Words

1. west
2. steep
3. member
4. gleam
5. fresh
6. freedom
7. speed
8. steam
9. beast
10. believe
11. speck
12. kept
13. cheap
14. pretend
15. greed
16. shelf
17. least
18. eager
19. reason
20. chief

Challenge

- echo
menu
creature
reveal
restaurant