First Name: Mr.  Middle Name: period  Last Name: T.

May is National Mohawk Month. So, we figured we’d honor some Famous People MohawksTM and ignore library talk for a spell. When musing over Mohawks with the Lovely Graphic ArtistTM of this SSJ, she thought for half-a-second and said “Mr. T!” whilst I was racking my brain for punk rockers, like Joe Strummer and Tim Armstrong & & &.

Anyway, if you made it through Finals Week, then you probably know that Mr. T was right when he predicted pain. Seeing how we love reliable sources here in the library, we decided to interview Mr. T to see what other wisdom we could sniff out:

Me: Mistakenly, when I think of famous Mohawks, I think of punk rockers. Which leads me to think of vegetarians. Any advice for me?

Mr. T: Where’s the meat? This sandwich is full of weeds!!! I ain’t eatin’ nothing I don’t understand!

Me: Have you ever considered a liberty spike?

Mr. T: A what? I am a liberty spike. Speaking of liberty did you know that there will be an Emma Lazarus exhibit this summer right here in your library? She’s the one who wrote that poem on the Statue of Liberty, fool! You should come check it out, seeing as how you have to come to work anyway.

Me: Is the book dead?

Mr. T: I don’t know. Ask Chuck Norris. But the library? The library is the bomb. Read, children!

Me: But School’s Out for Summer.

Mr. T: Alice Cooper has make-up. Not a Mohawk. What’s up with you?

1 I pity the fool who believes that.
2 Except I’d like to keep my job and mention that we got some cool things in store for you (AS PER NORMAL!) and pardon our progress. There may be construction noise coming from the 2nd floor.
3 She is also the billing coordinator, so return your books, for example. I never knew artists could be so meticulous in their record-keeping either. It’s a constant education here at the library.
4 I guess that thrashing about does something to your memory.
5 My boy thinks “Rock the Casbah” says “Mad-a-gas-car, Mad-a-gas-car.” Maybe: “The penguins don’t like it / Mad-a-gas-cah, Mad-a-gas-cah.” I can see it.
6 I saw a Rancid poster with NOFX on it and it reminds me of my “I might be a punk, but then I might be a hippie” days when I had a crisis of the heart on hearing that NOFX anti-vegetarian song that goes “because if a big animal had the chance ... it would eat you up!”
7 Who I think is a vegan now.
8 Outdated band references is my thing. Some people have spelling (am I right Science Librarian?). I apologize.
9 We’re regular Research Crime Dog McGruffs, if you will. Which, you won’t.
10 And forget to edit for redundancy.
11 See?
12 Actual quote from Mr. T.
13 Not an actual quote from Mr. T, but a nice plug-opportunity.
14 Counseling with Mr. T ensued. He thought I should really make up my mind whether I wanted this issue to be about Mohawks, punk-rockers, or footnotes. But, alas. I’m incurable. FYI - He did say, “The Library makes the world go ‘round, fool!”