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Cesar Chavez: A Hero For Everyone (Milestone)



Synopsis

“¡Viva la causa! ¡Viva César Chávez!” Up and down the San Joaquin Valley of California, and across the country, people chanted these words. Cesar Chavez, a migrant worker himself, was helping Mexican Americans work together for better wages, for better working conditions, for better lives. No one thought they could win against the rich and powerful growers. But Cesar was out to prove them wrong -- and that he did.

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Gr. 3-5. As the book opens, in 1962, Chavez is knocking on the doors of California farm workers and explaining how a union would help them. The narrative turns back to Chavez's Depression-era childhood and follows his life chronologically, focusing on his struggle to organize and carry out a nonviolent movement to improve the lot of farm workers. Soto clearly shows how Chavez's outlook and determination were rooted in his boyhood experiences with poverty, injustice, and prejudice against Mexican Americans; he was later influenced by his meetings with activists and his admiration for pacifists. Readers who know little of Chavez will come away with a basic understanding of who he was and what he accomplished. Like other books in the Milestone Books series, this is designed for easy reading, with fairly large type and well-spaced lines, though the

vocabulary is not oversimplified. Black-and-white illustrations appear throughout the book, and a bibliography is appended. A good, short biography of Chavez to pair with Kathleen Krull's picture book *Harvesting Hope* [BKL Je 1 03]. Carolyn PhelanCopyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

I teach middle school ELA and work with students who read below grade level. This book was a great way to practice the procedural and conceptual skills that good readers use when reading a biography or memoir--used with 6th graders, ranging Level P-T according to the Fountas and Pinnell reading assessment.

Good young adult bio of Cesar Chavez. Gifted to local library.

Ordered the book for children living and working in migrant camps they loved it. Other books given were mainstream the children showed pride as the associated with their culture in the book

My daughter and I learned a lot about the life of Cesar Chavez. This book was perfect for her school assignment.

This is a very good book about a very great man. It is a very easy read. Book clearly highlights Cesar's courage, humility and strength. It summarizes the main moments in this Man's Life and what he went through in his Leadership of the Farmworker's Movement - Que Viva La Huelga!

Cesar Chavez and his family moved up and down California to work on farms. It was a hard life. Kids made fun of Cesar Chavez because he could only speak Spanish and wore raggedy clothes. Because of what he saw as a kid, he wanted to help the farm workers. He wanted to make it so others did not have to suffer the way he and his family had. I liked this book because it showed how one person can make a big difference. The one thing I did not like about this book is that it had some words that were hard to pronounce. I would recommend this book to kids that are 10-14 years old. Although I had a hard time with some of the words, I think it is important for people to learn about Cesar Chavez.

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