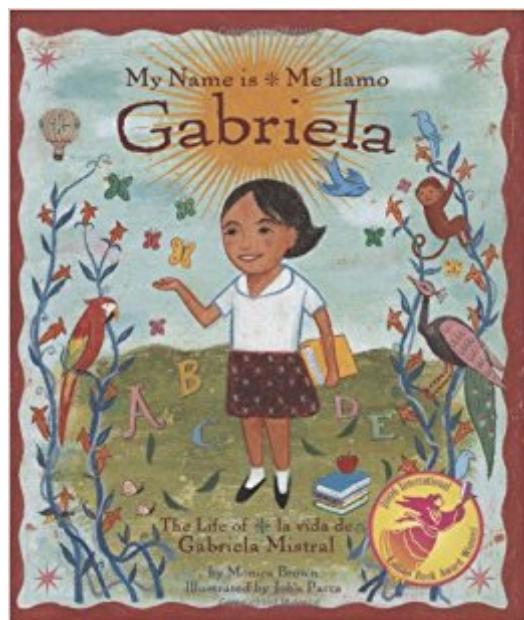


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My Name Is Gabriela/Me Llamo Gabriela (Rise And Shine)



Synopsis

Gabriela Mistral understood the power of words. She worked hard in school and became a teacher and a poet.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Starred Review. Kindergarten-Grade 2
"This lyrical homage to the Chilean Nobel Prize winner is a joy to read. Written in the first person, the simple text follows the life of the poet from her earliest days (in which, as a girl, she chooses her own name and teaches herself to read) to her internationally renowned career in literature. Brown and the unnamed translator have created a poignantly poetic text that reads equally well in English and in Spanish. It depicts, above all else, the poets lifelong love affair with words and stories. Parras naive-style illustrations, which appear to be painted on wood, go well beyond complementing the text. They offer a view into a softly colored world of people, places, and creatures, real or imagined, that were described in Mistral's work. An exquisite addition for most collections. Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

I wish there were more bilingual children's books like this superb story for children about the life of

Gabriela Mistral, the first Latin American to win the Nobel Prize for Literature (1945). I am a university professor of Latin American Literature, and I have been teaching Mistral's poetry to university students for more than 15 years. She is typically one of my students' favorite poets, and I have found that many of her poems -- especially those about children and motherhood - are also great for young ears. Mistral was a Chilean intellectual, writer, and diplomat, but above all she was a well-respected educator, who dedicated much of her life to teaching children and young adults. It is a shame that she is not better known in this country, but this book, with its gorgeous illustrations by John Parra, is a great step toward changing that. It will enthrall children of all ages. My children (ages 3 and 6) absolutely love it, as they do all of the titles by Monica Brown, who has succeeded like few others in putting together a series of top-notch bilingual children's books that are at once entertaining and very educational. I am waiting with baited breath for the next installment in the series! There are so many Latin Americans and Hispanics who deserve to be better known by US readers.

I bought this and a few other Luna Rising books for my students in Spanish one and two. The fact that they are bilingual makes them less intimidating. The illustrations are wonderful and they get a sort of mini biography of someone important in Latin American literature. Gabriela Mistral was also a children's and women's rights advocate although that is not heavily covered in the story they do tell you that she traveled the world helping children. I use this and other picture books to facilitate reading and language comprehension while at the same breaking away from the text book. For native speakers it is not particularly difficult, as it is a children's book, but for non native learners the language used is a bit challenging at times. Which is where the bilingual part comes in really handy. It also helps for the intermediate learners, when illustrating that translation is not always 100% word for word. Overall this book is great just to read in English or Spanish and as a teaching tool if you are up to the challenge.

My granddaughter is learning to speak and understand Spanish/English books . It is not so easy to find bilingual books. has a lot of them, starting with true baby books to toddler. She loves this book whether read in Spanish or English. Very happy with my purchase

Great for 2nd graders

This is a beautiful book, that captures the spirit of Gabriela Mistral through the expressive pictures

and flowing narrative.

Great for bilingual children and my daughter's name is Gabriela. We like reading this book

The book was in great condition.

both words and illustrations are wonderful - for so many ages to share

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