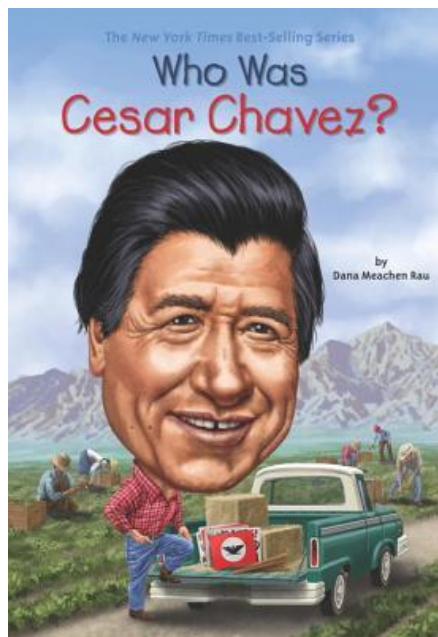




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Learn more about Cesar Chavez, the famous Latino American civil rights activist.

When he was young, Cesar and his Mexican American family toiled in the fields as migrant farm workers. He knew all too well the hardships farm workers faced. His public-relations approach to unionism and aggressive but nonviolent tactics made the farm workers' struggle a moral cause with nationwide support. Along with Dolores Huerta, he cofounded the National Farmworkers Association. His dedication to his work earned him numerous friends and supporters, including Robert Kennedy and Jesse Jackson.

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Alicia says

This is my first "Who was/is?" series book and enjoyed the format akin to the Wicked History series that focuses specifically on a person and their impact in history. I honestly knew very little about Chavez so I was glad for reading the book to get to know him and his purpose but also am interested in reading more titles in the series and purchasing for our library.

In essence, Chavez fought for migrant workers rights, created a union, fasted like Gandhi, and found purpose in advocating for the common person. He was inspirational, especially for Mexican workers working in the United States- those that came over specifically to cover the need for workers when many left for war, but instead of then recruiting from the pool that came back from war, they continued to abuse the rights of Mexican workers that they had originally hired. That meant that minimum wage, job protection, housing and healthcare, etc.

It shares a bit about his home life as well as his relationship with another migrant worker rights advocate Dolores Huerta.

A linear story that is simple and focused with an abundance of information without seeming overwhelming.

David says

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I am embarrassed to say I didn't know much about Cesar Chavez and his labor movement. This book gave a nice overview of his life and did a great job explaining things like: migrant workers, the plight of Mexican immigrants, labor unions, non-violent civil disobedience, and touched on some important civil rights leaders.

Kelly says

Like many of the characters featured in these books, I enjoyed learning more about Cesar Chavez and how he came to be such an influential leader. I am so grateful for his courage to stand up to greed, corruption and an unjust system. I am curious if farm workers continue to get unfairly treated on account of their class and/or ethnic differences and hope there are always people willing to stand up to inequality.

"Martin Luther King Jr. sent Cesar a telegram that read "Our separate struggles are really one--a struggle for freedom, for dignity, and for humanity."

"Cesar's mother wanted her children to grow up to be good people. She taught them to share with others without expecting anything in return. ...Cesar remembered one of her sayings throughout his life "It takes two to fight and one can't do it alone." In other words, even if someone wants to fight you, you have the choice to walk away"

Earl says

A pretty comprehensive look into the life of Cesar Chavez. The more I've learned about him, the more I want to read up on the other people who played roles in his life of activism- Fred Ross, Dolores Huerta, Larry Itliong. I also want to read even more about the nonviolent movement and the people who've changed the world through this process.

Caleb says

i liked it alot

Stephanie Tournas says

In 1962 Cesar Chavez started the movement which organized thousands of migrant farm workers in California and the southwest, ultimately becoming the United Farm Workers. This well written biography tells of Chavez's beginnings, and of the conditions, both social and economic, that led to the organization. Personal facts and history alternate with side pieces on related concepts and people, such as "braceros," "Dolores Huerta," and "Martin Luther King, Jr." Black and white drawings throughout make the information come alive and keep the text density appropriate for the intended audience. Viewing the labor struggles of Mexican Americans through the life of Chavez makes a part of history truly relatable for young readers. Back matter includes timelines and a bibliography.

Rainbow says

Rated 5 stars
Ages 12+
