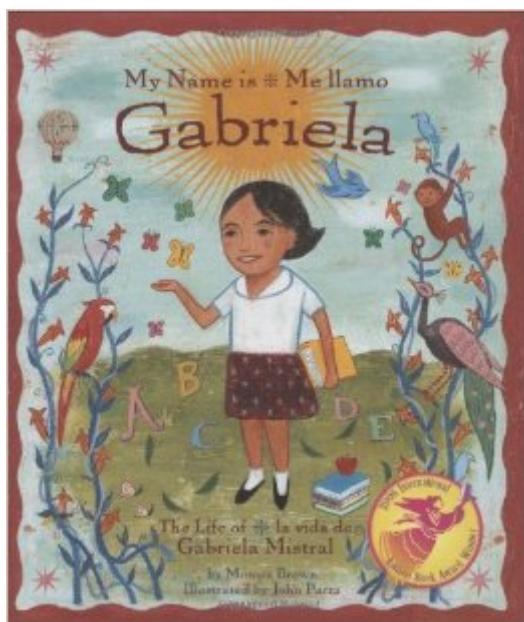


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# My Name Is Gabriela/Me Llamo Gabriela (Bilingual): The Life Of Gabriela Mistral/la Vida De Gabriela Mistral (English, Multilingual And Spanish Edition)



## **Synopsis**

Gabriela Mistral loved words and sounds and stories. Born in Chile, she would grow to become the first Nobel Prize-winning Latina woman in the world. As a poet and a teacher, she inspired children across many countries to let their voices be heard. This beautifully crafted story, where words literally come to life, is told with the rhythm and melody of a poem. The second in Luna Rising's bilingual storybook biography series. My Name is Gabriela/Me llamo Gabriela is beautiful tribute to a woman who taught us the power of words and the importance of following our dreams. The story of Gabriela Mistral will continue to inspire children everywhere.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Gabriela Mistral is the name Lucila Godoy Alcayaga gave to herself because she liked the sound of it. And this is her story; the story of the first Latin American writer (she was born in Chile) to receive (in 1945) the Nobel Prize for Literature. Monica Brown has successfully created a tribute to a woman that not only entertains children with the lyrical words of the story but also educates them about an historical figure. What makes this book even more special is that it is written in English on the left hand side of the page and Spanish on the right hand side. The illustrations are bold and drawn in a manner that is representative of Latin art. Armchair Interviews says: Children will be entertained and educated by this wonderful story. We highly recommend My Name is Gabriela..

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.

Es un lindo libro pero le falta alguna poesia o prosa de Gabriela Mistral, se habla de la artista pero no se muestra su obra

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

This is the second book in the bilingual biography Luna Rising series and is a delight and inspirational for young students. It teaches the student about the life of Gabriel Mistral(pen name) who was born Lucila de MarÃ- a del Perpetuo Socorro Godoy Alcayaga. If you had a name that long wouldn't you make a shorter one up too? She was the first (woman) from Latin America to win the Nobel Prize for Literature. Her story serves as encouragement for students to learn to love words, to read and write creatively. The book tells how Gabriela used her imagination as a stimulus for writing. She imagined the world beyond her valley in Chile with rainbow-colored flowers, polka dot zebras and angels reading books. Later as an adult she explored and travelled the world and wrote poetry. the bilingual text is complimentary for students whose first language is Spanish and are learning English. Likewise it can serve to teach English speakers some rudimentary Spanish. The book also includes a more detailed biographical sketch of Gabriela Mistral. The drawing are excellent. They appear to be soft pastel looking but result in vivid displays of color. Children will like them because of their simplicity. If this book appeals to you there is another bilingual biography

written by Monica Brown entitled My Name is Celia/Me llamo Celia (Bilingual): The Life of Celia Cruz/la vida de Celia Cruz (Americas Award for Children's and Young Adult Literature. Winner (Awards)) that is very good for children. This book is recommended for community and K-6 libraries.

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.

My 4 year old daughter really enjoys this book. The pictures are beautiful and the story is inspiring. Highly recommended.

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