

***Jessie De La Cruz : a Profile of a United Farm Worker***

by Gary Soto

***Difficulty Level: 5***

This book is about Jessie de la Cruz, Cesar Chavez and farm workers fighting against the growers. They fought for the National Farm Worker's Association, which was what Cesar Chavez called the Union. They went to lots of meetings. They never fought, they used peace marches. Jessie got around 60 to 70 % of Farmworkers in the Union. This was happening in the California fields in 1963 to 1972. One person recommends this book for reading and writing classes because of all the migrant workers of the world, people will understand this book.

One person didn't recommend this book for classes because she thinks you can't learn from this book because it's depressing. Some of the challenges to using this book in a class are that it wasn't funny, it has small size words, and it is hard to read because it has some difficult words.



**What we liked about this book**

- It can encourage some people, make some people think about their life
- It doesn't use too much slang
- It's for adults
- It's like real life
- Some people can relate to it
- It teaches about history
- It describes the place really well
- It's easy to follow what's happening
- The paragraphs are a good size
- It has pictures

**What we didn't like about this book**

- It has a lot of difficult words
- It's depressing or sad
- Some people may not be comfortable thinking about the subject of the book
- It has small size print
- Not everyone can relate to the where it takes place
- It has many difficult words