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BOOK RESUME: THE HOUSE ON MANGO STREET

BOOK SYNOPSIS

The remarkable story of Esperanza Cordero, a young Latina girl growing up in Chicago, inventing for herself who and what she will become. Told in a series of vignettes—sometimes heartbreaking, sometimes deeply joyous—Sandra Cisneros’ masterpiece is a classic story of childhood and self-discovery. Few other books in our time have touched so many readers.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

“Cisneros draws on her rich [Latino] heritage . . . and seduces with precise, spare prose, creat[ing] unforgettable characters we want to lift off the page. She is not only a gifted writer, but an absolutely essential one.” —*The New York Times Book Review*

“Marvelous . . . spare yet luminous. The subtle power of Cisneros’s storytelling is evident. She communicates all the rapture and rage of growing up in a modern world.” —*San Francisco Chronicle*

“A deeply moving novel...delightful and poignant. . . . Like the best of poetry, it opens the windows of the heart without a wasted word.” —*Miami Herald*

MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [The House on Mango Street - Inspiration](#)
- [Sandra Cisneros - Community Activism](#)

RESPONSE TO CHALLENGES

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