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DOLORES HUERTA



Read the biography of Dolores Huerta and answer the comprehension questions using the passage for reference.

Dolores Huerta (born 1930) is a famous civil rights leader who has worked very hard to make sure farm workers are treated fairly. She was born in Dawson, New Mexico, but grew up in Stockton, California. Her mother was very kind and helped others by giving them food and a place to stay. Dolores learned from her mother how important it is to help people.

When Dolores was a teacher, she saw that many of her students came to school hungry and without proper clothing because their parents didn't earn enough money working on farms. Dolores knew something needed to change, so she decided to fight for the rights of farm workers.

In 1962, Dolores helped start an organization called the United Farm Workers (UFW) with a man named Cesar Chavez. The UFW worked to make sure farm workers had better pay, safer working conditions, and respect. Dolores and Cesar led peaceful protests, marches, and boycotts to convince companies to treat farm workers better.

One of Dolores's most famous sayings is "Sí, se puede," which means "Yes, we can" in Spanish. This phrase became a powerful message for people fighting for their rights. Dolores Huerta has received many awards for her work, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, which is one of the highest honors in the United States.

Dolores Huerta is still active today, continuing to fight for justice and equality. Her story teaches us that with determination and courage, we can make the world a better place.

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1 Why did Dolores Huerta decide to fight for farm workers' rights?

2 What organization did Dolores Huerta help start in 1962?

3 What does the phrase "Sí, se puede" mean, and why is it important?

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