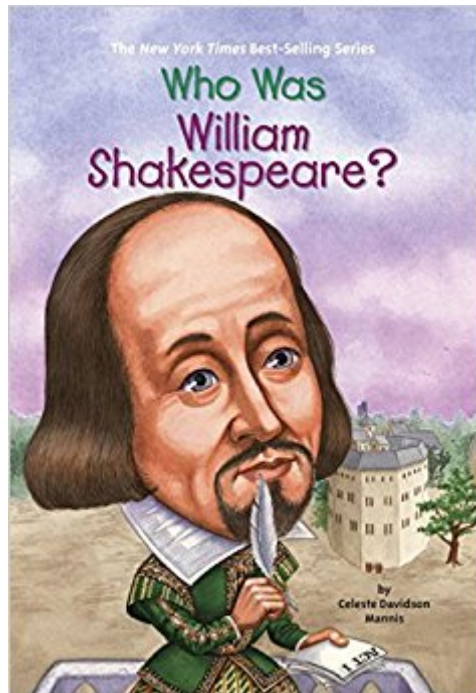




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# Who Was William Shakespeare?



## Synopsis

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A writer, educator and social entrepreneur, Celeste has authored several award winning and best selling children's books, including *One Leaf Rides the Wind* (Viking), *Julia Morgan Built a Castle* (Viking) and *Who Was William Shakespeare?* (Grosset & Dunlap). She teaches children's literature for UC Berkeley Extension and creative writing for Join Our Story, an online platform she has created to share the joys of writing with seniors and other underserved populations. Celeste is currently working towards a PhD in Educational Technology at UC Santa Barbara, and writing, writing, writing!

I want my high school freshman-to-be to learn about Shakespeare prior to reading one of his plays.

Shakespeare is known world-wide and his life story during the Elizabethan era speaks to the culture of the times. I purchased a book of Shakespeare plays to follow the reading of the short biography.

I purchased this for my son who had an essay to write about Shakespeare. He said it was extremely helpful and a good read.

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I really like this series "Who was" tons of information on important people.

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