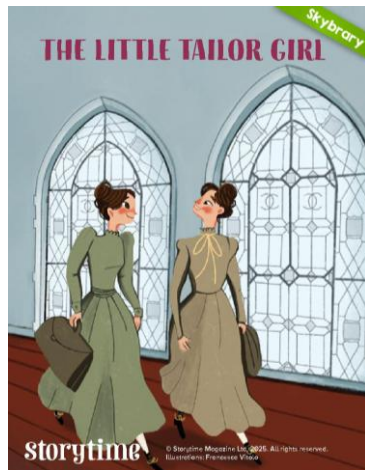


Read Aloud Guide for Families



The Little Tailor Girl

Author: Storytime

Illustrator: Francesca Vitolo

Themes: Perseverance, Creativity

Book Brief: Gabrielle is raised in an orphanage, but she will sew her way to fame and fortune!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, “Have you ever made something with your hands that you were really proud of? What was it?”
- Explain to your child that this story is about a real person named Gabrielle Chanel (Coco Chanel) who grew up in an orphanage and used her talent for sewing to become famous.

While Reading: Make Connections

- What is Gabrielle's life like when she is young? How does she feel?
- What skill does Gabrielle have? How does she use it?
- Describe how Gabrielle's sewing talent changes her life. What does she create?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, “How did Gabrielle use her talent and hard work to change her life? What does her story teach us about not giving up?”

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Start a "Design and Create" project. Give your child fabric scraps, paper, or old clothes and let them design their own fashion creation. They can draw designs, practice simple sewing with yarn and cardboard, or decorate clothing with safe materials, just like Gabrielle did.
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