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## **Level 0**

# **Novelist Gabriel García Márquez dies**

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**Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1404/140421-gabriel-garcia-marquez-0.html>

Gabriel García Márquez, one of the greatest writers ever, died at his home. He was 87. The Colombian won the Nobel Prize in Literature. People in Colombia are very sad. Márquez's writing changed people's lives. His book "Love in the Time of Cholera" is the best selling book in Spanish. He wrote in a style called "magical realism".

Barack Obama said the world just lost one of its greatest writers. Bill Clinton said he was amazed by Márquez's imagination. Márquez's family said he told stories when he was a little boy - ever since he could speak. Peruvian author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will survive and will continue to find new readers everywhere."

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# VOCABULARY MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. one of the greatest        | a. of Cholera"     |
| 2. He was                     | b. very sad        |
| 3. the Nobel Prize            | c. book in Spanish |
| 4. People in Colombia are     | d. in Literature   |
| 5. Márquez's writing changed  | e. writers ever    |
| 6. His book "Love in the Time | f. 87              |
| 7. the best selling           | g. realism"        |
| 8. "magical                   | h. people's lives  |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                            |                       |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. the world just lost one | a. stories            |
| 2. amazed by Márquez's     | b. speak              |
| 3. he told                 | c. author             |
| 4. when he was             | d. survive            |
| 5. ever since he could     | e. of its greatest    |
| 6. Peruvian                | f. readers everywhere |
| 7. His novels will         | g. a little boy       |
| 8. continue to find new    | h. imagination        |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Gabriel García Márquez, (1) \_\_\_\_\_ writers ever, died at his home. (2) \_\_\_\_\_. The Colombian won the Nobel (3) \_\_\_\_\_. People in Colombia are very sad. Márquez's (4) \_\_\_\_\_ people's lives. His book "Love in the Time of Cholera" (5) \_\_\_\_\_ book in Spanish. He wrote in a style called "(6) \_\_\_\_\_".

Barack Obama said the (7) \_\_\_\_\_ one of its greatest writers. Bill Clinton said (8) \_\_\_\_\_ by Márquez's imagination. Márquez's family (9) \_\_\_\_\_ when he was a little boy - ever since he could speak. (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His (11) \_\_\_\_\_ and will continue to find new (12) \_\_\_\_\_."

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Gabriel García Márquez, one of the greatest writers ever, has died at his home in Mexico. He was 87. The Colombian writer won the Nobel Prize in Literature. Colombia's government announced three days of national mourning. It said Márquez was a writer who changed lives. His book "Love in the Time of Cholera" is the best-selling book in Spanish. He wrote many more classics. He wrote in a style of writing called "magical realism". Barack Obama said: "The world has lost one of its greatest visionary writers." Bill Clinton said: "I was always amazed by his unique gifts of imagination." García Márquez said he was a storyteller from a young age and that his family told him the old stories ever since he could speak. Peruvian author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will survive and will continue to find new readers everywhere."

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

