

1. Author E.B. White and Illustrator Garth Williams

Elwyn Brooks White (**E.B. White**) was born on July 11, 1899 in Mount Vernon, New York. For most of his life he made his home in North Brooklin, Maine. He was best known as an essayist for the New Yorker magazine. He is the author of Stewart Little, published in 1945, Charlotte's Web, published in 1952, and The Trumpet of the Swan, published in 1970.

E.B. White received the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1963 and the National Medal for Literature in 1971. He died October 1, 1985.

Garth Williams was born April 16, 1912 in New York City, New York. He is famous as an illustrator of over 80 children's books, including the Laura Ingalls Wilder series. He died May 18, 1996 near Guanajuato, Mexico.

An Invitation to Explore Further:

1. Have you read any other books by E. B. White?
2. Are you familiar with the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the National Medal for Literature? What other authors have received these awards?
3. Have you seen the illustrations in the Laura Ingalls Wilder books? Do you think they are similar to the illustrations in Charlotte's Web?
4. Do you think the illustrations help tell the story of Charlotte's Web? If so, how?



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