Superheroes

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Superheroes are fiction type characters who have special powers and

abilities. They are usually strong, fast, powerful and have a magical like ability. They use these powers and abilities to help people and protect the world from evil and harm. Most superhero stories often show the good winning over the evil. They are usually seen as heroes and brave figures helping people fight against crime. The first superhero was created in the 1930s by a comic book artist named Joe Shuster. He created a character called Superman. Superman had super strength, could fly, and he had x-ray vision that let him see through walls. People loved Superman and he became very popular. Superheroes then spread to other comic book publishers and creators. Many more superheroes were created, including Batman, Spiderman, Wonder Woman, and many more. These characters have gone on to become very popular in movies, games and comics, and inspire people around the world. Superheroes continue to be very popular today. They provide an example of bravery and courage, and remind us that anyone can be a hero. Superheroes also teach us that we can be strong and brave even when things are difficult.

- 1. Read the passage about Superheroes
- 2. Underline each word / sentence that you could not read or understand.
- 3. Answer the follow up questions.

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Answer according to the reading passage:

- 1. Who was the first superhero?
- a. Spider-man
- b. Superman
- c. Batman

## 2. Most superhero stories show:

- a. how fast superheroes are
- b. the good winning over the evil
- c. helping the poor to get rich
- 3. Which one listed is not a superhero?
- a. Spider Man
- b. Wonder Woman
- c. Rat Man

## 4. Superheroes are popular in:

- a. movies, games and comics
- b. tv commercials and ads
- c. real life
- 5. Superheroes provide an example of:
- a. speed and power
- b. bravery and courage
- c. always winning

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## **Open Response Questions for Thinking Skills:**

- 1. Inferring
- 2. Making Connections
- 3. Summarizing
- 4. Visualizing
- 1. Why do you think superheroes fight crime?
- 2. What did this reading passage remind you of?
- 3. In 2 sentences explain what this reading passage is all about.
- 4. What images occur in your mind after reading this? What types of things can you visualize?
- 5. Who is your favorite superhero and why?
- 6. Could superheroes be real? Why or why not?
- 7. If you could be a superhero, explain what special powers you could have and what you would use them for.
- 8. Why do you think superheroes became very popular and remain popular?