

## Superheroes and Comic Books

10 Comics are made up of lots of pictures. The pictures  
18 are drawn inside frames (also known as panels),  
28 and tell a story. Story text or speech bubbles also  
36 help the reader to understand what is happening.

43 Superhero comics first became popular in the  
49 1930s. The first superheroes were Superman,  
55 Batman, Captain America and Wonder Woman.  
62 Much later superheroes like Spider-Man, the  
71 Fantastic Four, the Hulk, X-Men and Iron Man  
79 were created. Some of these superheroes still have  
85 adventures in comic books today. Amazingly,  
95 many of them now even have their own films or  
97 television series.



## Quick Questions



1. What helps the reader to understand what is happening in the pictures?

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2. Why has the author started the final sentence of the text with 'amazingly'?

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3. Why do you think superheroes became a popular subject for comic books?

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4. Can you order when these things happened by putting numbers 1-4?

\_\_\_\_\_ Some superheroes got their own films or TV series.

\_\_\_\_\_ Superman appeared in a comic.

\_\_\_\_\_ Superhero comics become popular.

\_\_\_\_\_ Spider-Man appeared in a comic.

