

SUPERHEROES!

Home Learning Pack



Reading Practice - The Bolt

Read the text. This is an example of a superhero origins story, describing how the superhero (The Bolt) was created, and why. Talk to your helper about any words that you don't understand (thwart, demise) and explain what you liked about the story.

Answer the questions about the story, explaining your thinking whilst referring to the text.

Superhero Comics

Re-read the text from the reading practice and discuss how this is an origins story, explaining how 'The Bolt' was created. You now need to turn this story into a comic strip using the task sheet in the pack (or a separate piece of paper if you are unable to print). Look at example comics if you have them or look for examples online. Can you create further comics showing stories about 'The Bolt' and design your own superheroes (and perhaps a villain), creating comic strips for them too.

Writing Activity – Design a superhero

Design your very own superhero! Use the space on the worksheet (or a separate piece of paper) to draw them, thinking carefully about their costume and giving them a name. Write a description of your superhero, using the text in the reading practice as a model. You could include a physical description, a description of their powers and any rescues that they have completed.

What makes me a superhero?

Discuss with your helper what skills and abilities you have that make you a superhero. Think about things that you are good at and how you help people; this could be at home or school. Use the worksheet (or a separate piece of paper) to record what makes you a superhero. Draw a picture of yourself in the centre (as a superhero if you wish!) and write sentences around the outside to describe yourself.

Jet-powered Car

Use the instructions to make your very own jet-powered car, powered by a balloon! You will need a balloon, straw, tape and a toy car. A measuring tape, or ruler and string, will be needed for the investigation that follows.

Once you have made and perfected your jet-powered car, complete the science investigation answering the question: **Does how large you blow the balloon affect how far the car will travel?**

You will need to predict what you think will happen, decide how you will make the test fair (Will you use the same balloon, car, starting point?) and how you will carry out the investigation. You will need to blow up the balloon and measure its circumference (ask your helper to support you

doing this) and then measure how far the car travelled, recording your results and what you have found out.

Rescue Mission

Use the instruction sheet to create an island surrounded by sea (this can be created using blankets, ropes, chalk, a paddling pool or similar outdoors or in a large space indoors). Place a teddy or another soft toy on the island, making sure that you cannot stretch over the pretend sea to reach it. The challenge is for you to find a way to rescue the teddy bear without stepping foot in the sea or on the island. You will need to think about the materials/ objects that you have available and how these could be used to save the toy.

Superhero Masks

Make your own superhero mask using the template provided. For best results, print the template onto card, or use paper and glue it onto thin cardboard (such as a cereal box). You could use pens, pencils or paint to decorate it. You could also use fabric, foil or other things that you have available to decorate it. Add string to complete your mask. Enjoy being a superhero for the day!

Spellings: Please see the 'Spelling Tab' for this week's spellings.

Additional Activities:

- Make other parts for a superhero costume - e.g. a cape, badge or belt - and go on your own superhero adventures.
- Draw and write about your favourite superheroes from comics, books and on screen.
- Watch a superhero film together as a family.
- Find out about other people who might be considered a superhero (perhaps people from history).

