

Super English



Intermediate
Speaking
Unit 8 - Lesson 1
Superheroes



Meet the Legends

Read the text and try to explain the words in bold.

Who hasn't heard of Spider-Man, Batman, or Wonder Woman? These aren't just characters—they're **icons**. Spider-Man is your friendly neighborhood teen with homework and bad luck. Batman? Broody billionaire **with a thing for bats**. Wonder Woman? Warrior princess who doesn't need saving. They're famous because they're cool—but also because they feel real.



1. Who's your favorite superhero, and why do you think they're so popular?
2. Would you want to live in a world with real superheroes? Why or why not?
3. Do you think superheroes should always be good people? Can they mess up?



Powers with Meaning

Read the text and try to explain the words in bold.



Superpowers aren't just flashy. They symbolize who these heroes are. Spider-Man's webs? Quick-thinking and **flexible**. Batman's **gadgets**? Preparation and fear. Wonder Woman's lasso? Truth and justice. It's not about lasers or flying—powers tell us about character. Even Superman's **insane** strength is really about hope. Powers with meaning = better story.



1. Which superhero power do you think is the most creative?
2. Do you think having powers would make life easier or harder? Why?
3. Can you think of a power that would be totally useless? Or surprisingly helpful?

Vocabulary

Match the vocabulary words to their definitions.

- flexible
- gadget
- insane
- issues
- flaw
- recognize

1. A small, useful tool or device that often does something cool or special
2. Something about a person that isn't perfect or causes problems
3. Able to bend, move, or change easily without breaking
4. To know or see something and understand what it is right away
5. Serious personal problems or worries someone has
6. Very wild, crazy, or extreme in a surprising way

Dialogue 1: Heroes with Issues



Practice the dialogue and answer the question.

A background image of a superhero, likely Superman, is visible. He is wearing a red helmet, a blue suit with a yellow lightning bolt on the chest, and a red cape. His right arm is raised in a fist, showing a tattoo on his forearm.

Ava: I like heroes who mess up sometimes. Makes them feel real.

Noah: Same. Perfect heroes are just... boring.

Ava: Like, “Oh look at me, never making mistakes.” Hard pass.

Noah: Give me the one who burns their toast while saving the world.

Ava: Or trips on their cape mid-battle.

Noah: Relatable content.

Question: Do you think flaws make heroes better? Why?

See you next time!

