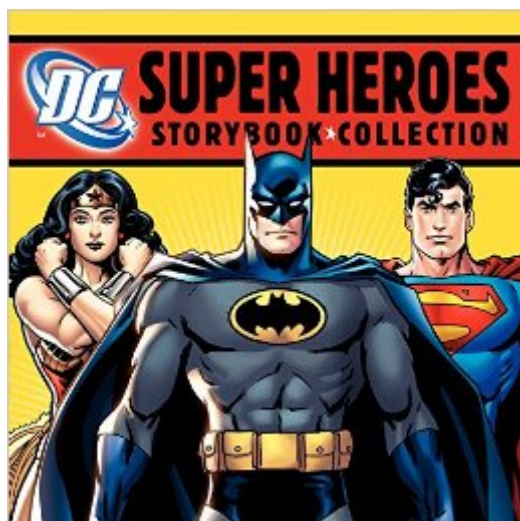


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# DC Super Heroes Storybook Collection



## Synopsis

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## Book Information

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

Having a number of young people in my life who are beginning to express an interest in comics and superheroes (ages 5 - 8) and while I am happy to encourage their appreciation, I am frustrated trying to find superhero books that they can either begin to read themselves, or to use as read-aloud-s, that have anything approaching decent writing. While the pictures are vibrant, engaging and colorful here, the prose is wooden, crappy and deadening. Now I know that many comic book writers are capable of writing at least passable prose and dialog. I also know that a great many writers for kids are able to produce wonderful prose for early readers and bedtime listeners. Why can't any of these comic companies hire a couple of these to write the text for these comics for younger kids? Though I am writing with regard to this volume in specific, my complaint goes for virtually all of the superheroes for young kids books I have run across, DC, Marvel,

whoever. I realize that comics are a primarily visual medium, but I also know that young children simply cannot read very well yet. That doesn't make them idiots.

My son loves this book and is one of the favorites. The illustrations are fantastic and hold his attention well (4yrs old). The stories are short enough so that we can cover one or two as part of his bedtime reading. The book is clearly designed for little kids; there is no offensive language and the violence is minimal with no graphic depictions. Some of the female characters do wear suggestive clothing but I personally didn't find it offensive. If you are worried about confusing graphic novels intended for adults and teens don't be, this is clearly designed for younger readers.

Got this for my kids and my daughter likes it a lot, but I wish there were some stories that emphasized WW role. She is always treated like an afterthought. Both Batman and Superman get better treatment.

I got this for my 3 year old and he has wanted me to read out of it every second of every day. He can't get enough. There's a lot to like about the book - the colors are bright, the illustrations are clean, the layout is beautiful, and it's true to the genre. I also like that there are just three superheroes involved - it's less confusing for the younger crowd. The book is listed as geared toward 4-8 year olds and I would say that's about right. I didn't love the over sexualized women superheroes and villains in the book. I thought maybe as a culture we were past that, and books for young boys could feature women with some extra clothes on, but I guess I was wrong. The mom in me also didn't love the super scary looking villains. I know that's also true to the genre but I thought they were a little severe for 4-8 year olds. I can let those things slide, but I would have given it 5 stars otherwise.

Even though this fantastic 192 page oversize hardcover (D.C. Super Heroes Storybook Collection) book was created for younger readers: nevertheless, fans of early D.C. comic books will also love this volume. The four heroes in this book are Superman, Wonder Woman, Batman and Robin. Heroes must have vicious and unprincipled villains committing serious crimes and this book has a large list of criminals our heroes must defeat. They include Lex Luthor, Metallo, Catwoman, Cheetah, Brainiac, Poison Ivy, Starro, Darkseid and Parasite. Every page has full color illustrations to make each short story come alive. Stories include the following: Gotham's villains unleashed, Superman and the mayhem of Metallo, Feline Felonies, the incredible shrinking Super Hero,

Batman and the toxic terror, Starro and stripes forever, Darkseidâ™s revenge and Parasite city. If you are a fan of these legendary super heroes you may want to check out this hardcover volume. I found it to be a fun read. Rating: 5 Stars. Joseph J. Truncale (Author: The Mighty Pen: Your Self-Defense Friend: Tactical use of the pen for self-defense).

Great introduction book to the DC Universe for your young kids. Be aware though that there are some repeats from other stories like the 5 min Bedtime Batman stories and the phonics Batman set. At least with the repeats for the phonics Batman set these stories are longer as they are designed to be read to your child so at least they seem different. My son loves these and the art is great. Yes there is some stylized violence depicting heroes in "punching" poses but nothing too bad. For me, with these kinds of children's books, if there is a passage about "punching" or "attacking" or some such I'll usually just replace it on the fly while I'm reading with "grabbing" or "capturing" the villains. He's 4.5, and learning all he needs to know about punching etc.. at school with the other kids, no need to glorify it. Some folks have complained that Wonder Woman doesn't get her own stand alone story and I sort of agree, not for any equality type thing but if you are going to put a hero on the cover of the book (1 of only 3!) then they should really have their own story at least right?? I think it boils down to the innate love that children have of Heroes and this book fits the bill. In this day and age I think having some clear "good guys" and "bad guys" is something that kids should be exposed to. They'll have a lifetime of moral ambiguity to deal with, no need to start now!!! try to make my reviews engaging and useful. Please click the helpful button if you thought this review was worthwhile. Thanks!

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