

**Suggested Reading for Children  
@ the New Brunswick Free Public Library**

**Superheroes**

**Mutants, aliens, or just ultra-genius humans, these characters are super!**

***Spiderman:***

**The Story of Spiderman** by Michael Teitelbaum

Reveals the man behind the mask and explains how he became a super hero.

**Call Number: ER TEI**

**The Amazing Spider-man: the Ultimate Guide** by Tom DeFalco

Examines the life of Peter Parker, a.k.a. Spider-Man, profiling his origin, friends and family, enemies, and various incarnations from the time of his creation to the present.

(Source: Novelist)

**Call Number: J 741.597 DEF**

***Batman:***

**Training Bruce Wayne** by Holly Kowitt

Before Batman could protect Gotham City, he had to learn the skills to become a great warrior.

**Call Number: ER BAT**

**Batman Begins: The Visual Guide** by Scott Beatty

Packed with spectacular action scenes from the new film "Batman Begins," starring Christian Bale and Michael Caine set for release in June, this title also contains specially commissioned art that delves into the workings of the Batmobile and Batcave.

**Call Number: J 791.4372 BEA**

**Batman: The Ultimate Guide to the Dark Knight** by Scott Beatty

An updated edition of the illustrated guide to Batman, providing information about all the people in the Dark Knight's life and following the story lines of the superhero's adventures.

**Call Number: J 741.597 BEA or J R 741.597 BEA**

**Batman and Robin** by Alan Grant

A new crimefighter, Batgirl, helps Batman and Robin try to stop villains Mr. Freeze and Poison Ivy, whose nefarious plans threaten to shred the fabric of life in Gotham City.

**Call Number: J F GRA**

**Batman: The Fog of Fear** by Martin Powell

On a bright spring morning, a dark cloud of smoke engulfs Gotham City. The fearsome Scarecrow has turned day into night and set his evil experiment in motion. Can Batman save the citizens of Gotham?

**Call Number: J F BAT**

**Batman Begins** by Dennis O'Neil

A novelization of the movie.

**Call Number: J F BAT**

**Batman**

**Call Number: YA CMX BAT**

**Forensic Files of Batman** by Dough Moench

Although strong and relentless, Batman has no super powers. Instead he relies on Sherlock Holmes-like abilities of deduction and detection. *Forensic Files of Batman* features two dozen entries from Batman's Case Files. Most are written by Batman himself, but two are from Police Commissioner Gordon, and there are a couple of other entries from Batman's right hand man, Alfred the butler. Cases range from the puzzling to the bizarre, and feature such classic Batman villains as The Joker, Catwoman, Poison Ivy, and Two-Face. Interspersed among the Case File reports are sidebars that explain the specific kinds of forensic science that Batman uses to solve his cases.

**Call Number: YA F MOE**

***Superman:*****Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman** by Marc Tyler Nobleman

This book brings the young men behind the Man of Steel to a picture-book audience. Along with a compressed account of the partnership between nerdy high-school outcasts Joe Shuster and Jerry Siegel, Nobleman includes insights about superheroes' cultural significance and the chord struck by Superman—a "hero who would always come home" even as World War II loomed on the horizon.

(Source: Booklist review)

**Call Number: J 741.5973 NOB**

**Last Son of Krypton** by Michael Dahl

Re-tells the story of the infant child of a Krypton scientist who is sent into space just before his planet is destroyed and ends up on a rural farm on earth, where he begins to display tremendous super powers.

**Call Number: J F DAH**

**Superman: Secret Identity** by Kurt Busiek

Set in the "real world," *Superman: Secret Identity* examines the life of a young Kansas man with the unfortunate name of Clark Kent. All Clark wants to be is a writer, but his daily life is filled with the taunts and jibes of his peers, comparing him to that other Clark Kent -- the one with super-powers. "Hey Clark, where's your X-ray vision? How come you can't fly?" Until one day when Clark awakens to discover that he can fly, that he does in fact have super-strength! But where did these powers come from and what will he do with them?

(Source: Novelist)

**Call Number: YA CMX SUP**

***The Incredible Hulk:*****The Story of the Incredible Hulk** by Michael Teitelbaum

**Call Number: ER TEI**

**The Hulk in Big Green Men** by Mike Raicht

In *Green Men*, aliens have taken control of the city of Roswell and are preparing to wage war on the planet. Hulk meets a girl who has the ability to turn into an alien but doesn't know it. He relates to her ability to change into a different person because he, too, can change his appearance.

(Source: School Library Journal review)

**Call Number: J CMX HUL**

**The Hulk in The Abomination!** by Mike Raicht

Check out this comic about the supervillain that may be even stronger than The Hulk!

**Call Number: J CMX HUL**

**Hulk : the Incredible Guide** by Tom DeFalco

**Call Number: J 741.5 DEF**

## ***Ironman:***

### **Ultimate Iron Man** by Orson Scott Card

International bestseller, four-time Hugo award, two-time Nebula award and World Fantasy Award winner Orson Scott Card (author of Ender's Game, Speaker for the Dead, Shadow Puppets) comes to the Ultimate Universe. He's joined by industry legend Andy Kubert (Ultimate X-Men, Marvel 1602, Wolverine: Origin) to show the shocking beginning of Ultimate Iron Man!

(Source: Amazon.com)

**Call Number: YA CMX IRO**

### **Fantastic Four/Iron Man. Big in Japan** by Zeb Wells

Mass panic has struck the streets of Tokyo! The media has initiated round-the-clock coverage. Uncontrollable crowds are choking the streets, and kaiju hysteria has gripped the island of Japan for the first time in 50 years! Because the Fantastic Four, the world's first super-hero big-monster battling squad, and playboy industrialist Tony Stark have descended on the Land of the Rising Sun! Zeb Wells (New Warriors, Spider-Man/Doctor Octopus: Year One) and Seth Fisher (Green Lantern: Willworld, Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight) bring you a manic fusion of Marvel super heroes with Japanese pop culture that proves why the FF and Iron Man are big in Japan! It's an all-out romp with big monsters a-go-go as Droom, Giganto and Eerok, the giant ape - along with hundreds of manic '50s Marvel monsters - trample Tokyo's first-ever Kaiju Museum and Celebration!

(Source: Novelist)

**Call Number: YA CMX FAN**

## ***Wolverine:***

### **Wolverine : origins & endings** by Daniel Way

Left shaken at ground zero after the cataclysmic events of House M, Logan has no choice but to soldier on, as he's done so many times before - but has the burden now become too great? In his lifetime, Logan has been both a hero and a villain, a player and a pawn... but what is he now? Don't miss out on the beginning of an epic more than a century in the making!

(Source: Novelist)

**Call Number: YA CMX WOL**