



Superheroes of our World
Where can we find them?



Have you ever met a superhero?
Have you ever seen one in real life?

Well, real
superheroes do
not look like this.





They do not wear hero suits and hit and fight.

Real superheroes in our world do NOT fly.



They do NOT shoot with bows and arrows or fight with magic swords.



They do not wear helmets and shields.

Real superheroes often look
normal
small
harmless
weak
young
old...



They come in all sizes and shapes, types and ages...

Watch the videos on the following pages to find out more about REAL superheroes.

10 Rules of being a SUPERHERO



Kindness is a really strong superpower.



Watch these superheroes of real life caught on camera.

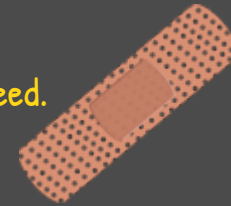


Let's recap: What are the most important rules for being a SUPERHERO?

Real superheroes use their power in a good way.



Superheroes help innocent victims. That means, they help people or animals in need.



Every superhero has at least one superpower. Superheroes may be

really strong
really friendly and helpful
really clever and intelligent
really creative
really patient
really fast



A superhero is always brave and courageous.

Superheroes don't give up until they have solved the problem.



Now it's your turn:

In this project we will create a SERIES of books called
INVISIBLE SUPERHEROES IN OUR WORLD

The heroes in our stories look and act like normal people, so at first nobody suspects or knows that they have some superpowers.

In the course of your story, your superhero will show his/her powers in a good way.

You will be working **in teams** and create your own superheroes book.

Each group will consist of writers, illustrators and "voices". In your team you must work together and help each other to make a perfect storybook.

Think of a problem you want to solve?

Who needs your superhero's help?

How is your superhero going to solve the problem?

Discuss these questions in your team. Then go to the next page.

Now, it's time to split up the work.

The writers will write the story.

Follow the tips for the writers on pages 15 - 20. All the tips for writers are written in yellow.

You can write your text directly into this book. Later you can delete all the pages and tips that you do not need. Do not worry about layout. We can fix this later.

The illustrators will draw and paint the characters and the background pictures.

What do the characters in your story look like?

Where does the story play? What kind of background images will you need?

The illustrators will find more tips in the following pages. All your pages are written in orange color.

Recording your voice: When the text is finished, the writers will record the story -- or act out some scenes.

You will find more tips for recording your voice on page 21 of this booklet. All the tips for voice-recording are written in blue.



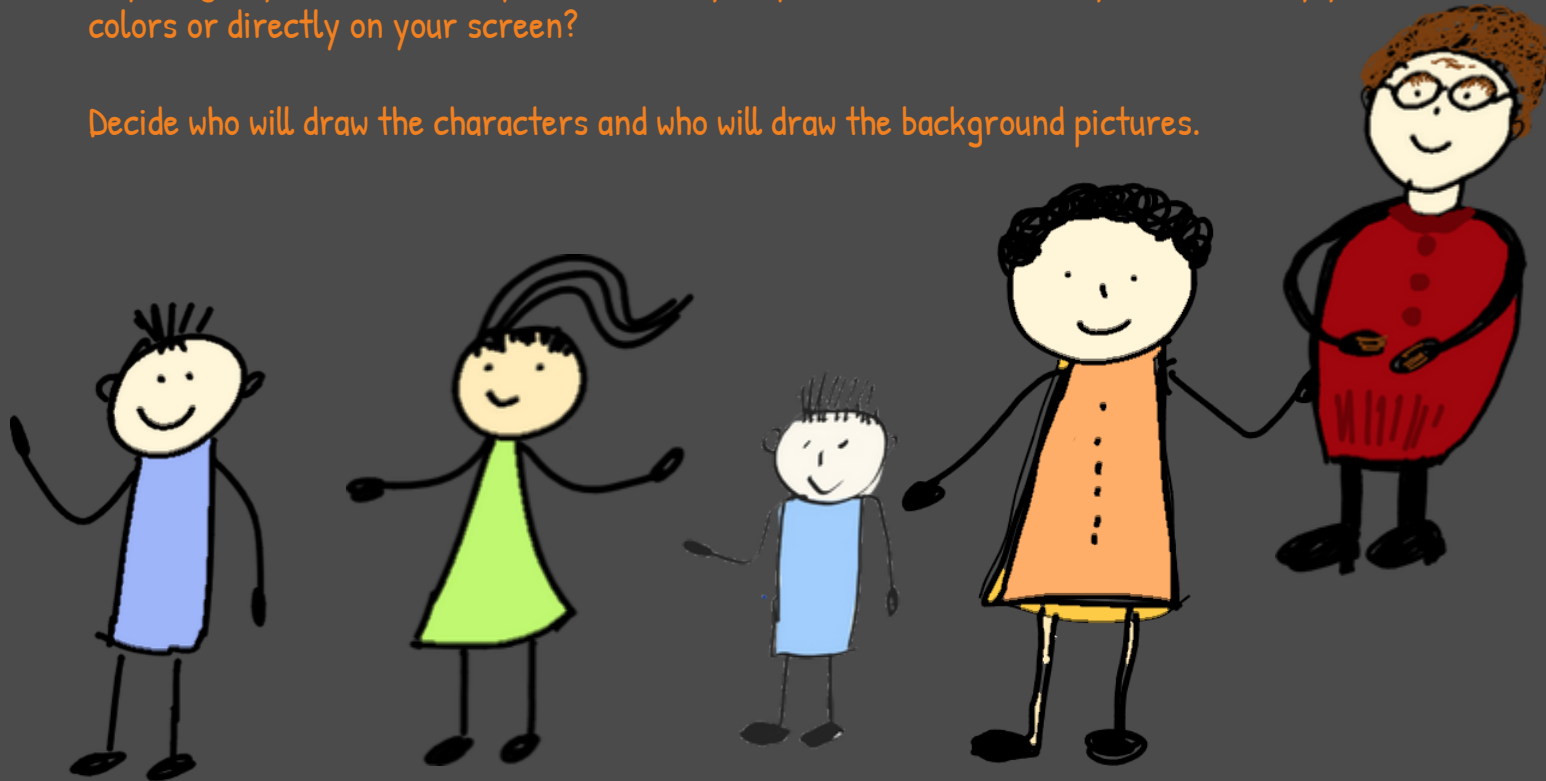
Tips for the illustrators

Before you start drawing have a good look at some nice picture books. Look at the pictures carefully. How are the characters drawn? What do you see in the background? Where is the text?

Practice a bit in your group. What do you want your characters and your backgrounds to look like?

In your group, decide what style and techniques you want to use: color pencils, felt tip pens, water colors or directly on your screen?

Decide who will draw the characters and who will draw the background pictures.



Technical tips for illustrators

There are two ways to add pictures to your book.

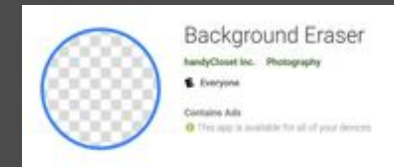
Option A:

Draw or paint your characters on paper. Use a separate white sheet for each character. If you want to add details (clothes, tools, animals) draw them as separate pictures.

Then upload your pictures to <https://www.remove.bg/upload>

This will make them transparent.

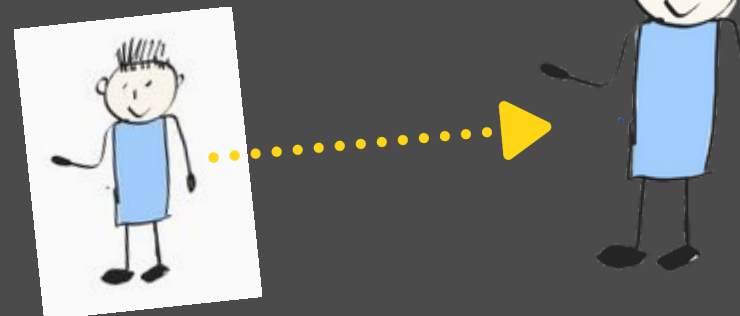
If you would like to do this on your phone, use a background eraser app.



Now you can upload your transparent pictures to the book.

You can change the size, move them around and use your details (clothes, animals, tools...) wherever you need them.

For the background, just take a photo of your picture and upload it.

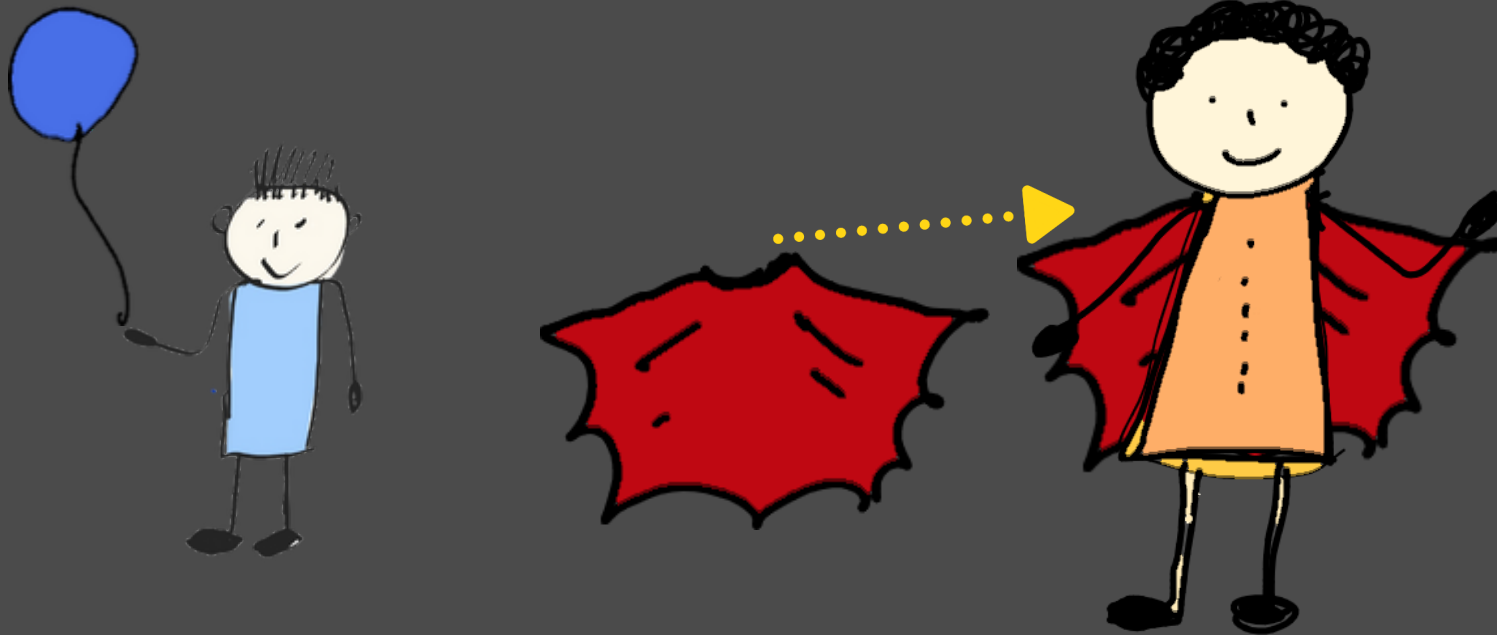


Option B: Drawing directly on the screen

You can draw your characters directly on the screen with your fingers or with a touchpen.

Make your character as big as possible, you can then make the picture smaller any time. Try this out and see how it works for you.

Here, I have drawn my characters and I have added some extras: I have drawn a red cloak -- and then copied it behind my character. Now he is wearing the red superhero cloak. I have also added a blue balloon for the little boy.



You can also upload your own pictures and paintings and use them as a background.



...and you can then copy your characters into the page and move them where you want them.

Tips for the writers



Work in your group and plan your story. Start by answering the following questions in your group.

What problem does your superhero have to solve? Who needs his/her help?

What is the setting of your story? Where does it play?

Who is your superhero in everyday life?

What are his/her secret superpowers?

How does he /she use his superpowers to solve the problem?

When you have found good answers for all these questions, you are ready to write your story. Write your text directly into this book. You can delete all the instruction pages and example pages later. Your first draft of the text can look messy. Do NOT worry about layout at all.

Start writing your text on this page.

Describe your hero. What do the readers need to know about him or her?

What is his or her name, age, looks, hobbies.....

What does he or she do in life?

Start like this...

Most people thought that was a just any
normal

He / She lived in

On this page describe the setting.
Where does he/she live, work, play...?
What is this place like?

Here your superhero will notice that there is a problem.
Describe the situation. Who is in trouble? What is the problem?

Word bank:

These little phrases might be useful in your story:

One morning...

One day...

Then suddenly ...

In the days/weeks that followed...

But then ...

And so one bad day...

But days and weeks went by...

Finally, ...

At last, ...

You can also let your characters speak to us directly:

"That'll be fun." said the frog happily.

"What else can we do?" asked the cow.

"Let's do it!" shouted the boy excitedly.

"Help!!!" screamed the man in panic.

"Oh, no!" he thought.

Have other people tried to solve the problem? How?

How is your hero going to solve the problem?

What is his/her plan?

Does it work?

Describe all these things in detail. Use as many pages as you want.

Describe the situation after the problem has been solved.

Title: Find a really good title for your story. Your title should make your readers interested in the story. Do not give away all your secrets in your title.

Write your title on the cover page of your book.

Now it's time to read your story and record your voice.



In this book your superhero can have his/her own voice.

You have several options:

A: Read the story and record it directly into the app. Practice this several times and use your voice to make your story interesting. Show the characters' feelings: Use a happy voice, a sad voice, a young voice, an old voice... an animal voice...

B: You can also add some dialog parts and read in two voices. Let your hero speak directly --- maybe your hero and some of the characters want to make some additional comments.

C: Would you like to record the story in another language? Tell us the story in Italian, in Greek, in German, in Romanian.

D: For very creative people: You can act out a scene and record a video on your phone. You can then include the video on the page.

Final tips for illustrators

Now you need to think of the final touches of your book.

1. Design a nice coverpage for your book.

Add a beautiful picture and the **title of the story**.

Use nice, big letters.

On your cover page we also need to see the **firstnames** of all the group members who have contributed to the book. Write these in a smaller font (12-14 pts) the bottom of the page.

Written by...

Illustrated by...

Voice recordings by

2. Go through all your pages again and add little details. Check the language.

3. You can now move around the pages and delete all the instructions pages and instructions in your book.

Congratulations!
You have produced your first
book.

