SUPERHEROES : WHAT MAKES A SUPERHERO ?A costume, a secret identity, secret weapons, superhuman powers…that's what's makes a superhero. Some of them are able to fly, to jump vey high, to see through everything, to change their bodies etc..and they all have very powerful enemies to fight : supervillains. Superheroes all wear costumes. They are usually orphans. They all have a dual identity : they are incredible heroes but in their everyday life, they are usually shy and awkward like Superman/Clark Kent or Spiderman/Peter Parker They all have a mission : to fight crime and defeat supervillains. Modern superheroes were born in America in the pages of American comics and graphic novels in June 1938 with the first appearance of Superman. Batman appeared one year later. Captain America in 1940, Fantastic Four in 1961, Spider-Man and The Hulk in 1962 and The X-Men in 1963 Americans invented superheroes to represent their hopes and fears for the future. People who believe in superheroes feel stronger and safer. There was also a message sent to the world : America was powerful, just like Captain America and would help the world defeat evil. If you look at Superman and Captain America's costumes, you can see they are very similar to the American flag.

Superman can run faster than a train, leap over buildings, block bullets with his chest, see through walls, blow very cold air, stop meteors and he can also fly.

Batman fights crimes using martial arts, technology and his mind. He can jump very high

Spiderman was bitten by a radioactive spider and gains the strength of a spider, he can spin huge webs to save children in a cable car for example, he can also sense danger, wallcrawl.

Captain America can run a mile(1,6 Km) in one minute, heal faster than normal, his immunity to diseases is extraordinary Captain America has agility, strength, speed, endurance, and reaction time superior to any Olympic athlete who ever competed While not superhuman, he is as strong as a human being can be. He can lift (press) a maximum of800 pounds (400 kilos) with supreme effort.He has his own unique hand hand style of combat.

DrBanner ,transformed by gamma rays I his laboratory, turns into **The Hulk**, a giant green monster when he is angry, he is very powerful, he can lift tanks and climb up walls

Thor Thor's principal weapon is the enchanted hammer Mjolnir, one of the most formidable weapons known to man or god. Among the hammer's various enchantments are its indestructibility and the ability to summon all the elements of storm (wind, rain, thunder, and lightning). His hammer can be thrown both as a means of flight, and as a weapon that always returns to its wielder's hand. Thor's superhuman strength is matched with an immunity to all human diseases, superhuman speed, agility, and simulated flight when he hurls his enchanted hammer Mjolnir.

Tony Stark a rich industrialist and engineer playboy suffers a severe chest injury during a kidnapping, he builds an armored suit to escape captivity, he then decides to use his fortune to build weapons to help the S.H.I.E.L.D protect the world and fight against evil His armor magnifies Stark strength to superhuman levels, enabling him to lift (press) roughly 85 times. **Ironman** was born

Wolverine possesses heightened senses, making him capable of seeing things at a maximum distance greater than that of a normal human. His hearing is enhanced in a similar manner, and he is able to recognize people and objects by scent, even if that person or object is hidden.

The Black Widow is an Olympic class athlete. Her gloves and boots are equipped with miniature suction cups which enable her to cling to surfaces. Her belt contains plastic explosives.

Established to counter the technologically advanced, neo-fascist subversive organization HYDRA, **the S.H.I.E.L.D.** remains the planet's largest and most effective force for neutralizing threats to world security and combating terrorism and alien infiltration.

Other superheroes

	climb walls	fly	lift heavy things	jump very high	run very fast	have heightened senses	see through walls	is immune to diseases
Superman								
Batman								
Spiderman								
The Hulk								
Iron Man								
Captain America								
Thor								
The Black Widow								
Wolverine								