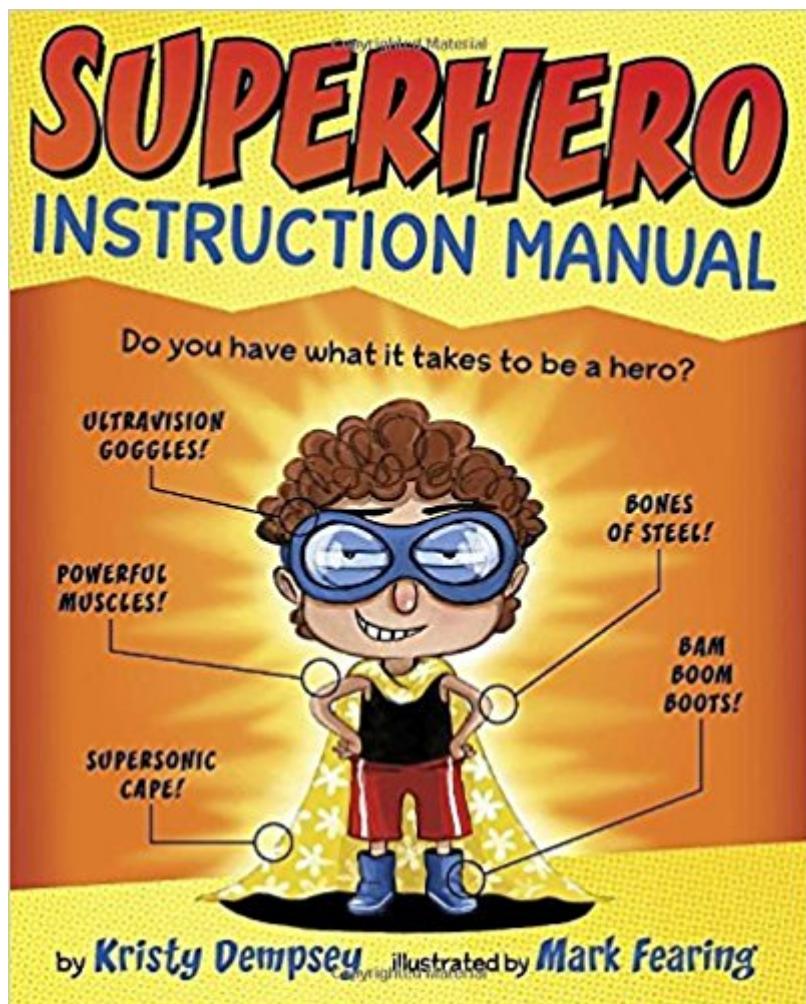


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# Superhero Instruction Manual



## Synopsis

Anyone can be a superhero and this guidebook will show you how! Just follow six easy steps and you'll be saving the world in no time. Join an aspiring hero as he selects a secret identity, chooses a power, and much, much more. But be warned: it isn't easy being super. And sometimes the greatest acts of heroism need a helping hand to get off the ground. Kristy Dempsey's rollicking text, coupled with Mark Fearing's expressive, cartoon-style illustrations will have readers laughing all the way to infinity and beyond!

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## Customer Reviews

PreS-Gr 2-Not everyone is lucky enough to be born with superpowers or get bitten by a radioactive spider and develop abilities overnight. Fear not! Just use the Superhero Instruction Manual and you can be a superhero in seven easy steps. While the first six steps (pick a name, pick a sidekick, craft a super disguise, secure a secret hideout, choose a superpower, and store up super energy) might be really easy, step number seven (save the world) isn't as doable as the manual says. It turns out that sometimes even superheroes need help. Colorful illustrations and a playful layout make this book a fun experience. The illustrations are a good mix of cartoonish styles typically found in picture books. There's also a homage to actual comic books. Where it falls flat is the text. While the idea is appealing to children who love superheroes, the tips are a little bland and lack the necessary oomph

to make them really super. The ending, too, is a little uninspired. After the main character ignores his little sister in favor of his dog and messes up his attempt at saving the world, she proves that she is super by setting everything right. **VERDICT** While this message is lovely, the theme of sibling relationships has been done better in other picture books. A supplemental purchase.-Paige Garrison, Augusta Richmond County Library System, GA (c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

"This funny, spirited exploration of superhero culture sans violence and with an added dose of familial love is a powerful addition to any bookshelf." â "Kirkus Reviews" This romp should inspireÂ wannabe superheroesâ "while also making a case for little sisters." â "Booklist

My kids loved the 7 easy steps to becoming a super hero. The illustrations are full of fun jokes. The ending melts my heart. (Spoiler alert: sisters are super.)

Funny and fun but also has heart. Don't we all want to be superheroes? Or at least really good at something? This clever book will make both adults and kids laugh, and there's even a role for the younger sibling. Your whole family may be wearing capes by the end!

This book is adorable and is a fun read. It's great for a beginning reader as well. I bought this and gifted it to my 2 grandsons, age 7 and 3, along with an assorted package of 5 capes with matching masks. They both love it.

I can't count how many times the grandsons have begged me to read this. A super hero book without the violence and all the fun. One they can identify with, and positive sibling reference.

What makes someone into a hero? It turns out that it is not the super name, the super partner, or the super disguise. Instead, as the would-be hero of this delightful and humorous story finds out, you can save the world by learning to be kind and helpful to others, just like his super little sister. My family loves this book and its cute illustrations, and IÃ¢Â™m glad to have my kids learn that the key to being super is kindness.

My cat is a feral cat. I captured him and made him sleep with me for nights and that tamed him. Now we do everything together. We love to sing and bathe and read together. One of our favorite

bathtime activities is to put on capes and pretend we're superheroes- and this book gave us all kinds of new ideas to try out! I can't wait for tub time so we can try them together. I love this book.

What I like most about this book is how the text reads as a "how-to" while suggesting a story behind the words. That story is made perfectly whole by the illustrations. This book is an example of the perfect marriage of text and illustrations. And it has a subtle message about being "super" by doing ordinary good things. A fun read that boys and girls are sure to enjoy! Get ready for some superhero antics around the house!

My 6 year old son loved it. He was able to read and follow the instructions perfectly. He is now off saving the world and saving lives.

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