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This is me

READING | 4-option multiple choice

→ Student's Book, pages 4–5

1 Read the article quickly and choose the best summary.

- a) It is an article about the origins of four different superhero characters.
- b) The article describes how the creators of superheroes develop their personalities.
- c) The topic of the article is how superheroes fit four personality types.

2 Read the article again. For each question, choose the correct answer.

- 1 What is the writer's opinion of Wonder Woman?
 - A She is a character that other people want to be like because of her positive qualities.
 - B She is probably the best female comic character, but not as good as the male ones.
 - C She is typical of the female characters in comics although she is strong and fast.
 - D She is a popular character because she is strong and intelligent.
- 2 According to the writer, *I* personalities
 - A need to be able to control what they think and do.
 - B are not negative and can work well with others.
 - C often disagree with others and like a lot of attention.
 - D find it difficult to work with others although they are popular.
- 3 The writer thinks that Superman
 - A looks after humans because he thinks he is better than them.
 - B wants to spend less time with other people and more time by himself.
 - C is patient and curious about others, which helps him get on with them.
 - D has good people skills as well as being kind and someone you can rely on.
- 4 Batman
 - A has to make gadgets because he has no powers of his own.
 - B can become a superhero because of his brainpower.
 - C is like a *C* personality in very few ways.
 - D is described as a very clever, sociable character.

3 Find words 1–8 in the article and then match them to the definitions a–h.

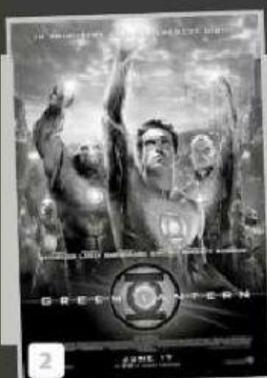
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| 1 assess (v) _____ | a) correct or true in every detail |
| 2 stands out (v) _____ | b) succeed in dealing with a problem |
| 3 admire (v) _____ | c) keep someone or something safe from harm or injury |
| 4 peaceful (adj) _____ | d) have a feeling of great respect for |
| 5 overcome (v) _____ | e) someone who likes to be alone and often has few friends |
| 6 protect (v) _____ | f) not involving war or violence |
| 7 accurate (adj) _____ | g) carefully consider a situation, person or problem to decide your opinion on something |
| 8 loner (n) _____ | h) is easy to see or notice because of being different |

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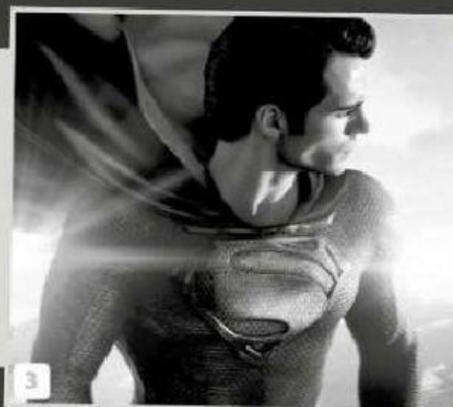
Have you ever read about a superhero and instantly thought of the actor with the perfect personality to play them on screen? How can you assess a character's personality? One technique to use is DISC, which divides people into one of four personality types (D, I, S, C).

D Personalities are leaders; they are confident and good at making decisions, solving problems and taking risks. This describes Wonder Woman perfectly. She is definitely a leader and not a follower. She fights evil and protects humans, using her incredible strength and speed. In many ways, Wonder Woman is the perfect superhero! In the world of comics, which is full of male superheroes, Wonder Woman stands out. She is someone girls admire and try to behave like.



I Personalities are positive, talk a lot and are good at motivating others. They trust others and work well in teams, though they enjoy being the centre of attention. They hate disagreements and work with others to find a peaceful solution. The Green Lantern, a fighter in a universe-wide peace force, is a typical I. His superpowers come from his ring, the lantern, but only if he can face his worries. He can encourage others and he is extremely brave because he learns to overcome his fears.

S Personalities are dependable, calm, steady, friendly and generous. They are patient and loyal, and care deeply about others – and want the best for them. Superman is an S. He believes he should protect others; he is kind and reliable and wants people to be happy. He is sociable although he enjoys being alone too. He is a strong character who also works well with others.



C Personalities are accurate, creative and imaginative and make decisions carefully. They consider every detail and are good at solving problems because they are logical. They prefer to work alone. The superhero closest to this is Batman. He doesn't have superpowers, but is able to be a superhero because of his intelligence which he uses to find solutions and plan his actions. Batman creates many gadgets and uses technology to help him. He's shy and serious and definitely a loner in his fight against crime.

