

# Superheroes

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space.

A superhero is a fictional character (1) \_\_\_\_\_ special powers. (2) \_\_\_\_\_ the first Superman story was written in the USA in 1938, superheroes have (3) \_\_\_\_\_ in various comic books around the world. But more recently they have (4) \_\_\_\_\_ better known as film characters.

(5) \_\_\_\_\_ superhero Powers vary widely, superhuman strength and the ability to fly are common. (6) \_\_\_\_\_ superheroes do not have special powers but have (7) \_\_\_\_\_ other important abilities. In order to protect Friends and family, a superhero's identity is normally (8) \_\_\_\_\_ secret, which often means superheroes have a complicated double life.

(9) \_\_\_\_\_ have been successful superheroes in countries other than the USA. Examples (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Cybersix from Argentina and the heroes of AK Comics from Egypt. Japan is the only country that has created as many superhero characters as the USA. However most Japanese superheroes are short-lived. While American entertainment companies reinvent superheroes, (11) \_\_\_\_\_ they will stay popular, Japanese companies frequently introduce new characters.

