

## **Read and answer the questions:**



Superman is a famous comic book character. He first appeared in Action Comics issue #1 in 1938. Later, he appeared in movies, television series, cartoons, commercials, video games, and radio shows.

Superman is one of the most popular superheroes. As an amazing superhero, he does not kill anyone.

Superman is from a planet called Krypton. His name was Kal-El. His father, Jor-El, found out that their planet was going to explode. Jor-El sent his baby son to Earth in a spacecraft to save him. Kal-El was found and adopted by Jonathan and Martha Kent. They named him Clark Kent. The Kents raised him as their own son in a town called Smallville, Kansas in the United States.

As he grows up, Clark finds out that he has special powers. He cannot be hurt. He is strong enough to lift almost anything. He can fly. Superman can run faster than a bullet. He has X-ray vision. He can see through walls. He can shoot heat from his eyes. He decides to use his special powers to fight crime and save people in danger. He wears a blue and red costume and cape to keep his real name a secret. He saves the entire world many times.

Superman moves to a city called Metropolis, and becomes a reporter for the *Daily Planet*, a newspaper. He falls in love with another reporter, Lois Lane.

His weakness is a radioactive rock from his home planet called "kryptonite". Kryptonite weakens him so he cannot use his powers for a long time, nor can he move. Sometimes Superman's enemies use it to hurt him.

1. Where does Superman come from?

2. What does Superman do?

3. What newspaper does Clark Kent work for?

4. Would you like to have X-ray vision? Why or why not?

5. Who does Superman fall in love with?

6. Where did Superman grow up?

7. What was Superman's name at birth?