

VOCABULARY

СЛОВО / ВЫРАЖЕНИЕ	ПЕРЕВОД
1. appeared	появились, возникли
2. created	создан
3. moved to	перешёл в / появился на
4. newspaper comic strips	газетные комиксы (полосы с комиксами)
5. travelled	путешествовал, отправился
6. moments before	за мгновения до того, как
7. disappeared	исчезла
8. grew up	вырос
9. display	проявлять, демонстрировать
10. superhuman abilities	сверхчеловеческие способности
11. superhuman strength	сверхчеловеческая сила
12. vision powers	способности зрения
13. X-ray	рентгеновский
14. telescopic	телескопический
15. microscopic	микроскопический
16. ability to fly	способность летать
17. cape	плащ, накидка
18. character	персонаж
19. fights against	сражается против
20. bad guys	плохие парни, злодеи
21. was modelled on	был создан по образцу / под влиянием
22. religious	религиозный
23. mythological	мифологический
24. powers became more numerous	способностей становилось всё больше
25. dangerous	опасный

SUPERMAN

Superman comics first appeared on 18 April, 1938. It was created by Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster. Siegel's father died and Siegel created a man who became the world's greatest hero.

Later Superman moved to radio and television programmes, films, newspaper comic strips and video games.

Superman was born Kal-El on the planet Krypton and travelled to Earth in a rocket moments before his planet disappeared. He grew up as Clark Kent in the family of a Kansas farmer and his wife. Very early he started to display superhuman abilities: superhuman strength, speed, hearing, intelligence, vision powers (X-ray, infra-red, telescopic, microscopic, etc); he had an ability to fly, etc.

Superman usually wears a blue costume with a red-and-yellow letter 'S' and a red cape. This letter "S" is a symbol of this character.

The love of his life is Lois Lane and he usually fights against Lex Luthor and other bad guys. He was modelled on religious and mythological characters like Samson and Hercules.

Superman's powers became more numerous with time. Unfortunately, green Kryptonite - a radioactive material from Krypton is dangerous for him.

After Superman many other superheroes have appeared.



EXERCISES

TASK 1. Answer the questions

1. When did Superman comics first appear?
2. Who created Superman?
3. Where was Superman born and where did he grow up?

4. Why is green Kryptonite dangerous for Superman?
5. Which mythological heroes was Superman modelled on?



TASK 2. True / False

- 1) Superman first appeared in a film. _____
- 2) Superman's real name is Clark Kent. _____
- 3) Superman can see through walls. _____
- 4) Green Kryptonite makes Superman stronger. _____
- 5) Lex Luthor is Superman's friend. _____

TASK 3. Fill in the gaps

Cape Kryptonite Lois Lane farmer abilities

1. Superman grew up in the family of a Kansas _____.
2. He wears a red _____.
3. The love of his life is _____.
4. His superhuman _____ include strength, speed, and vision powers.
5. Green _____ is radioactive and dangerous for Superman.

TASK 4. Match words with its definition

WORD	DEFINITION	ANSWERS
1) Rocket	A. a piece of clothing worn over the back	
2) Cape	B. a vehicle that travels into space	
3) Hero	C. a person admired for courage and great deeds	
4) Disappear	D. a person who works on a farm	
5) farmer	E. to go away so that nobody can see	

TASK 5. Find English variants

✚ способность летать →

✚ инфракрасное зрение →

✚ любовь всей его жизни →

✚ в мгновения до того, как →

