

Unexpected Superheroes

An activity of "Tee and Boba".

Read the comics "Tee and Boba" (page 28, *What's Up* July 2023).

1) Discreetly observe three ordinary people at school or a public space. Jot down details about their physical features, attire, behaviour, and so on in the table below. An example has been provided for you.

Person	Physical features	Attire	Behaviour	Others
<i>e.g old man carrying umbrella</i>	<i>skinny, balding with neatly combed grey hair, knobby fingers, slightly hunched.</i>	<i>Well-worn polo t-shirt, black pants, brown slippers, simple gold ring on finger, watch.</i>	<i>Stands waiting for his bus to arrive, occasionally looks at his watch to check the time.</i>	<i>His umbrella and the edges of his long pants are slightly wet from the rain.</i>

2) Pick one of the characters you have observed to build an alter ego (secret identity) for a superhero you create. Draw your alter ego and superhero below, with their attire/costume. Also describe what your superhero is really like behind his alter ego.

Sketch of Alter Ego	Sketch of Superhero	Description of Superhero

3) Write a short creative writing piece titled “All in a Day’s Work”, about how your superhero sheds his alter ego and saves the day.

Here are some things you may wish to include in your story:

- A glimpse of the ordinary, mundane life of the superhero in his alter ego
- the setting and any relevant background information
- the incident/ catalyst that pushes the superhero to take action
- highlight the event/ threat that requires the superhero’s intervention
- the superhero’s transformation from his alter ego into his super-powered persona
- build suspense and tension as the superhero handles the challenges/ obstacles
- some intense action to showcase the superhero’s unique powers/ strategies/ courage
- thoughts and emotions running through the superhero’s mind
- triumph / success as the superhero overcomes the villain/ resolves the crisis
- incorporate vivid descriptions, dialogue, external/internal conflict, twists or surprises to keep your reader hooked!

4) Share your illustrations and your essay with a friend.