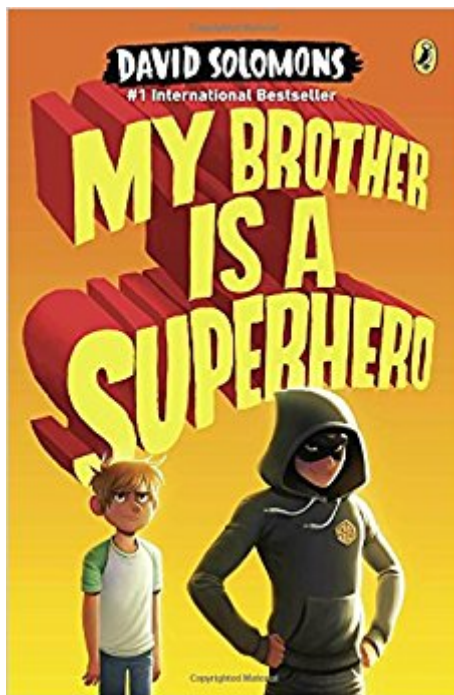


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# My Brother Is A Superhero



## Synopsis

The award-winning #1 international bestseller that's perfect for fans of *The Last Kids on Earth* and *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*. Luke Parker was just your average comic book fan until his boring, teacher's pet, helps-old-ladies-across-the-street brother Zack got turned into a superhero. Luke can't believe the unfairness of it all—he's the one with the encyclopedic knowledge of everything from Ant-Man to Wolverine! At least he can help Zack—aka Star Guy—with all the important parts of becoming a superhero, like using his newfound powers and deciding whether or not to wear a cape. But when Star Guy gets into super-size trouble, it's up to Luke and his intrepid neighbor, Lara—to rescue his big brother and, with a little luck, help him save the world. \*A non-stop action-packed, laugh-out-loud winner of a story. \*School Library Journal, starred review "A loving tribute to the genre consumed with capes, masks, supervillains, and great responsibility." \*Kirkus Reviews "Readers will enjoy the deadpan narration that reveals the unexpected difficulties of being a modern-day superhero." \*Publishers Weekly

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## Customer Reviews

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Luke wasn't present when the spaceship hovered next to the tree house and the alien turned his 15-year-old studious brother, Zack, into a real superhero. Zorlon gave Zack three glowing stars on his chest, six unnamed powers, and a warning, "Nemesis is coming." Luke is jealous and furious that he wasn't chosen. His brother knows nothing about being a superhero—he won't even wear a cape! Now it's up to Luke to teach Zack, aka Super Guy, how to act like a superhero, to help him discover his powers, and to find out who or what Nemesis is, all while keeping Zack's new identity a secret. This becomes harder than just keeping his mouth shut as their nosy neighbor, Lara, is determined that she and Luke will discover Super Guy's true identity. Throw in Zach's crush on Lara's older sister, trying to be a superhero while keeping your parents clueless, being kidnapped by a fiendish comic book store owner while trying to save the world, and you're got a non-stop action-packed, laugh-out-loud winner of a story. The main characters are finely drawn and their voices are authentic. The format of the book with its font size and generous white space make it accessible and appealing. VERDICT A great book that will charm reluctant readers as well as anyone who has ever dreamed of being a superhero. It also makes for a fun read-aloud. —Nancy P. Reeder, Heathwood Hall Episcopal School, Columbia, SC --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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The 8 year old in my life has issues with reading. Enough said, but this was one of the summer reads at his school. So many pages he grumbled. Then he began to read. And was engrossed, begging "Mummy, can I read a few more pages PLEASE!!"

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I read this story with my eldest son. We were not expecting much but quickly learned that this would be an incredible read. We look forward to reading more!

A great book!

My 9 year old grandson loved it!

I got this at the library and wasn't even 3 chapters in before I was laughing my X-ray vision goggles off. This clever book is written from the viewpoint of the younger brother Luke, who has to teach his brother Zack how to be a superhero named Star Guy with the help of his best friend (Serge) and his brother's crush's little sister (Laura). At first, I was unsure about this book. Boys sometimes make a big deal out of gross stuff that girls like me really could not care less about. But these boys don't. They're clean-spoken, mostly good mannered, and have a great family. I loved the way that the final chapters made me react with "I KNEW IT!!" Have I mentioned that the ending was a great cliff-hanger? Well it is, and I'd love a sequel. The humor is clean and certainly enjoyable for any superhero fan. (And for anyone who likes sponge cake.) This book mentions both DC and Marvel supers, but it seems pretty fairly balanced. If I didn't know a single thing about being a superhero, I'd look to this book as a guide for the most basic of basics and the most entertaining end-of-the-world situations. If I could give more than 5 stars, I could. You go, Star Guy! (and awesome Luke!)-Amaran's daughter.

Per my 8 year old "Good for kids who like comics AND parents who want to read regular books. I really liked this, and I hope another book about a friend becoming a super hero" It was really interesting, and had lots of action. I couldn't wait to finish it, and now I want to read more like it"

Though it might be a bit on the long side, this book was a fun read for the family. This was a book that was read to our son over several days for bedtime. He really liked it. Lots of funny lines and superpowers made for a great read.

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