


Consider what we know about superheroes. Some were created as metahumans and have a backstory of how they gained their special abilities, like Spiderman and his radioactive spider bite or the Flash with the explosion of the particle accelerator. Some were very wealthy humans who used their wealth to create techy toys and tools that give them special capabilities such as Batman or Ironman. They often have a secret identity. They may have a sidekick (ex. Robin) or work with a group of other superheroes like the Avengers, Justice League, or Guardians of the Galaxy. These heroes often encounter challenges or even a villainous nemesis and must use their special capabilities to overcome them.

Using what we learned about the hominids (their changing physical characteristics, increasing capabilities and the advantages this gave them) create a Super Hominid as a parody on the idea of a comic book superhero.

You will create a comic book cover featuring your Super Hominid. You want to think about the elements that you see on covers of comic books. They have a title and feature the superhero (along with some of their powers) and what challenges they will encounter in this edition. It should illustrate your Super Hominid in action, and you may want to weave some creative elements in such as: issue number, date, cost, publisher, etc. Your cover needs to be on an 8 ½ x 11 page, and should consider layout and composition utilizing the entire space. It can be done by hand or digitally.

Category	Criteria	Point Value
<b>Hominid Capabilities, Physical Characteristics &amp; Historical Elements</b> (Content) 25 pts	Mentions somewhere/how: their physical characteristics, what made them superior or what advantages they had, what tools they used and what they enable them to do. Who discovered them, where they lived or were found, the time or date span they existed? Their scientific name?	/25
<b>Superhero and Comic Themes</b> (Genre) 15 pts	Did you create a Superhero identity? A backstory? What challenges do they face and how do they overcome those? Is there excitement, action? Do they have a sidekick? Group they belong to? Enemy or nemesis?	/15
<b>Creativity</b> (Originality) 5 pts	Uses colorful illustrations. Integrates features of superheroes and the elements of comic books in a <u>clever</u> way. (doesn't simply list the facts) Does it have a title? Issue/Episode #, date, cost?	/5
<b>Layout Composition</b> (Quality) 5 pts	This is about presentation of your ideas. Did you consider your use of space: placement, is it organized, balanced? Are the text and illustrations visually appealing? Did you make good font choices? Is it legible, clear, and colorful? Are there little to no spelling/grammatical errors? Is the rubric is glued to the back?	/5
<b>Total</b>		/50
<b>212°</b> (optional)	<i>A couple of bonus points... if you  me and "go the extra degree!"</i>	