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## Heroes R Us Vol 1

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Superman, take a step back; the kids in *Heroes R Us* have totally got this. This imaginative new series sets up the kids of a small town for the summer of their lives after the items they buy from the general store grant them super powers. The characterization is spot on, with realistic, humorous dialogue and believable, flawed protagonists. The themes of teamwork and brains over brawn are prominent, making for a refreshing change from the standard hero trope of punching problems away solo. With a cliffhanger ending, young readers will eagerly await the next installment in this series.

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