

What to do today

IMPORTANT! Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and with any weblinks or use of the Internet required.

1. Story time

Read the poem *My Mother is a Superhero* by Pie Corbett.

- Talk about any words you don't understand.
- Can you suggest other words for these that mean the same thing?

2. Answer questions about what you've read

Look at the set of *My Mother is a Superhero Questions*.

- Carefully read each question in turn and give your answers.
- Take the first of today's Superhero Challenges and write your answers out in your best handwriting in the spaces provided.

3. Write a poem similar to one you have read

Decide who in your family is a bit of a superhero!

- Follow the instructions to write your very own Superhero poem.
- Use the *poem paper* provided.
- Take the Superhero Challenge: can you write the same number of lines as in Pie Corbett's poem? Well done if you can!

Now try this Fun-Time Extra

- On *My superhero's costume would be...*, design a costume for your family superhero.
- Write some sentences about it: *It has a mask so that they can...*

My Mother is a Superhero!



My mother is a superhero because she can –
clean a house at the snap of her fingers,
fly to the moon and back in the blink of an eye,
extinguish a fire with her icy breath,
see into the mind of a robber,
foretell any disaster,
avoid a collision with the power of thought,
turn back the snow and warm up icy paths,
rescue a drowning man without a second thought,
create joy where gloom has taken grip
and even halt a war before it has begun,
all without moving from the sofa.

Pie Corbett

My Mother is a Superhero Questions



When the poem says that the mum can clean the house *at the snap of her fingers*, does that mean she can do it very quickly or very slowly?

What can the mum do with her *icy breath*?

What sort of *disaster* in the house do you think the mum could **foretell**?
(*Foretell means knowing it was going to happen before it actually did.*)

If you could see into the *mind of a robber* what sort of thing might they be thinking of?

Suggest another word that means the same thing as:

rescue _____

halt _____

Which of all the mum's superpowers sounds the best? Why do you think that?

My _____ is a Superhero!

Follow these instructions to write your very own Superhero poem

- On the *poem paper below*, fill in the title with their name, e.g. brother: *My Brother Is a Superhero*.
- Write the first line of your poem, spelling *because* correctly: *My brother is a superhero because he...*
- Write your poem, listing the reasons why your brother is a hero: *...makes pizza/ reads to me at night/ is amazing at football/ can blow big bubble gum bubbles/ helps Mum in the garden.*
- In at least one of your lines, use the word *and* to join two ideas together: *makes amazing pizzas and reads to me at night.*
- Take the Superhero Challenge: can you write the same number of lines as in Pie Corbett's poem? Well done if you can!



My _____ is a Superhero!



The form consists of a large rectangular area with a decorative border of colorful puzzle pieces (red, yellow, blue, green, and grey) around the top, bottom, and sides. The interior of the rectangle is divided into 12 horizontal lines, providing space for writing.

My superhero's costume would be...

