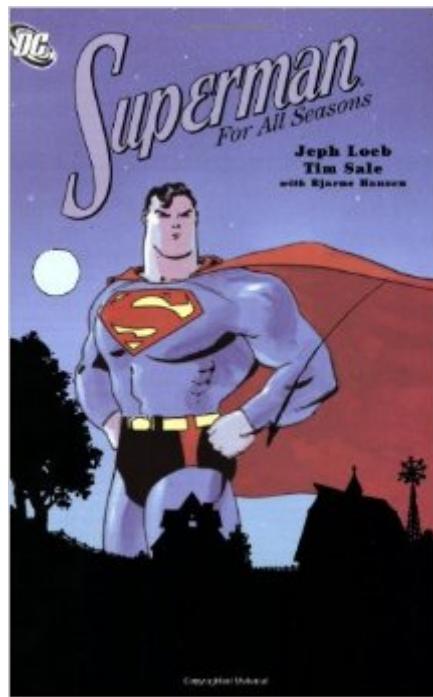


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Superman For All Seasons



Synopsis

In this coming-of-age tale witness the experiences and adventures that transform a simple country boy into the world's greatest hero. Told through the course of four seasons in the Man of Steel's adolescent life, it illustrates that it is the person, not the powers, that makes Superman a hero. The catalyst for the "Smallville" television program, **SUPERMAN FOR ALL SEASONS** is emotional and insightful, humanizing the alien from another planet so that he is not only realistic but also relatable. It also features in-depth characterizations of Lana Lang, Lex Luthor, Lois Lane and the Kents. This volume collects *Superman For All Seasons* #1-4.

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Customer Reviews

If you're looking for the traditional Superman graphic novel, with The One Who Wears Tights splitting asteroids in two, or having to contend with some superbaddie who for a hundred or so pages slams Soopey's big red ess through half of Metropolis, stop now. To be sure, there's the requisite lifesaving and feats of strength; you can't have a Superman story without it. But it's not the focus of this book. This graphic novel is a thoughtful examination of why Superman does the hero bit. Now this question has been asked and answered before, but "Superman for All Seasons" takes a look at Superman from adolescence to manhood. Each "season" is narrated by a different person in his life. Jonathan Kent, his father, narrates Spring, Lois Lane-Summer, Lex Luthor-Fall, and Lana Lang narrates Winter. The graphic novel is drawn in a definite homage to the Superman of the late 30's and 40's, a style that I've always liked. Part of artist Tim Sale's dedication reads, "For Norman

Rockwell and his love of a vision of Americana that resonates through its limitations..." It's clear that he drew upon the illustrations of Rockwell for inspiration in this book. For the first time that I know of, young Clark Kent is drawn as a big, pudgy, Midwestern kid. It's appealing, mainly because I was a big, pudgy, Midwestern kid (okay, perhaps a little more than pudgy). Nevertheless, as I looked at Clark I got the feeling that Martha Kent and my grandmother both bought our clothes from the Sears catalog. I half expected Clark to bend over and see the old Sears "Toughskins" brand label that they put on jeans for "husky" boys. It made Clark seem a little more familiar. You're thinking, "I could play Playstation with this kid." If Playstation had been invented in 1938, that is. So, why does Superman do what he does?

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