

Antihero? What's



Open Ended Question

We all have probably heard of heroes and villains such as the ones we have seen in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, the Harry Potter series, or The Hobbit and the Lord of the Rings, but what if I told you that there was a type of hero that wasn't a hero at all, yet found themselves in heroic situations nonetheless? What kind of characteristics would this person have? Why wouldn't someone want to be a hero?



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plural **antiheroes**

Definition of *antihero*

: a protagonist or notable figure who is conspicuous in heroic qualities



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Basics of an

Antiheros fall typically into a few categories based on how they somehow became heroic in spite of lacking heroic features, or even having some less-than-heroic behaviors.

Lets start by contrasting:

Heroes typically believe in justice, fairness, idealism, propriety, doing the right thing, and deliberately saving the day. To a hero, being a hero is something worthy to aspire to, something they don't do for reward or fame, but as an altruistic action. Antiheroes may in fact be selfish, lacking in values, display morally ambiguous behavior, or even be an open coward.

So what motivations or key characteristics do antiheroes possess?

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- How is an anti-hero different from an anti-villain?
- How is an anti-hero different from a villain-protagonist?

There's something comforting about a protagonist who always does the right thing for the right reasons, like Superman. But there's something *compelling* about a morally ambivalent protagonist who *sometimes* does the right thing, and only *sometimes* for the right reasons — like Tyrion Lannister.



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Critical thinking and

For this assignment I would like for you all to create an antihero bio complete with any abilities (or lack their of) of your choosing. Give a background that details why you think this antihero IS an antihero. What motivations do they have that are not typically heroic and what basic situations would you put your character in to cause them to rise into the not-quite-heroic state? Your assignment should only be about a page long. Be prepared to discuss it. Feel free to use your imagination, but stay grounded in the criteria that we have laid out in this lesson and through the resources online that we have used.