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### **Abstract:**

Of the many influences available to the youth of America during the 1960s, none may have been more significant than the stories and characters being created for a sub-section of the population that read comic books than the stories and characters being created by Marvel Comics. Today, Marvel is best known for their dramatic movie blockbusters featuring their characters. The Fantastic Four, The X-Men, The Incredible Hulk, The Amazing Spider-Man, Daredevil, Iron Man, Black Widow, Hawkeye, The Mighty Thor, and the Invincible Iron Man, to name just a few. Yet before they existed. And by the end of 1964 every one of these characters as well as many more had been introduced into the popular culture by Marvel comics. These comic books captured the tone of the changing times of the 1960s. They were full of moral lessons and pathways to better understanding of the human condition. In the examination and analysis of these comic books this project will set out to explore the societal influences and role-modeling that was infused into them. This thesis project will examine issues that children face when growing up, and help give parents and therapists a checklist of specific comic books they can share with their children to help them understand some very important role modeling lessons of our society. These entertainment books can help children understand a variety of learning experiences in a constructive, clear way that is readily understood. In so doing, this will give parents and therapists a new tool to help children move toward forming their own views on ethics and morality.

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