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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal
Grade 4–7—Sixth-grader Josh may be taking his love of the Captain Major comic books too far, or so the adults in his life believe. He is convinced that everything that happens to Captain Major's sidekick, Mascot, also happens to him. So when Josh discovers that the comic book's creator plans to kill off Mascot, Josh believes he could die as well. Enlisting the help of his friend Kelsey, aka "Large Lass," he embarks on an adventure that helps him cope with his father's disappearance and realize that people will like him even if he isn't a real-life superhero. David clearly understands the prepubescent male experience and successfully brings to life a character whom boys will relate to. Likewise, female comics fans will enjoy the way Josh casts "Large Lass" into a superhero's role. Additionally, David uses a voice-over technique for the moments when Josh imagines that he is actually Mascot, which is very funny. Josh and Kelsey do find themselves in slightly implausible situations but, given the superhero premise of the story, it's easy to suspend belief. Doran's comic-strip illustrations are action packed and dynamic, but there are too few of them. Is this great literature? Hardly. Will boys read it? Definitely. This is perfect for comic-book fans who are ready (or being pushed by adults) to move on to novels.—*Laura Lutz, Queens Borough Public Library, NY*
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Review
“Holy page-turner! ” (Kirkus Reviews)

About the Author

Peter David is a prolific author whose career spans nearly two decades. His recent novels include *Tigerheart: A Tale of the Anyplace* and *Darkness of the Light*. He is also renowned for his work as a comic-book writer, including the *Incredible Hulk*, *Spider-Man*, and the Fallen Angel. He is the cocreator and author of the bestselling Star Trek: New Frontier series for Pocket Books.

Colleen Doran has been a comic-book artist since she was fifteen years old. Her credits include Spider-Man, Captain America, Wonder Woman, the Legion of Superheroes, and the Teen Titans, among others. She has worked as a cartoonist, illustrator, and film conceptual artist and has illustrated the works of Neil Gaiman, Clive Barker, Warren Ellis, and Anne Rice.

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