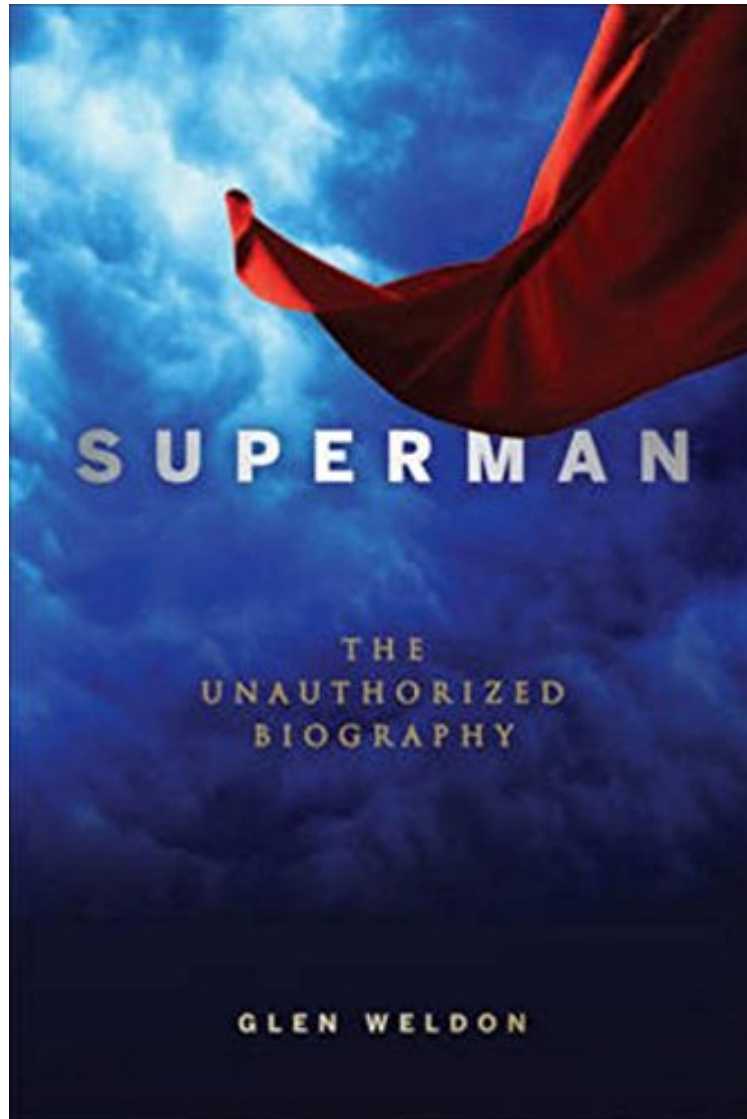


# Superman: The Unauthorized Biography

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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Superman, THE book By Luis Maldonado The deeper I got into Glen Weldon's book, Superman: The Unauthorized Biography, the more I enjoyed it. It takes a complex and multi-faceted story and breaks it down into understandable, pop culture relevant sections. Glen's dry and smart wit, well known to his fans from the NPR podcast Pop Culture Happy Hour, is found aplenty, yet in a slightly muted fashion. Even if you are only superficially familiar to the topic, and really, who is not?, this book will be of interest to you. The comic nerds

will also get their share, as I doubt Glen's exhaustive research will leave them unimpressed. Buy this book. It is funny, easy to read, smart and thoroughly enjoyable. One caveat: I was expecting more about Krypto. Maybe a sequel? One request: Same treatise but for Aquaman and Wonder Woman!

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Fun and Informative  
By Mark Brzostowski  
Written with humor, wit and a genuine love of the subject, Glen Weldon's biography of Superman is a pleasure to read. Weldon weaves a golden thread through decades of the superhero's exploits in all their myriad manifestations: comics, novels, radio, television, movies and video games. Instead of dumping readers in a swamp of mindless minutia, the author gently and enthusiastically helps us to make the connections to see how the texture and tenor of this core myth has evolved in response to a shifting American psyche. In the hands of a relentlessly changing army of writers, artists, editors, actors, directors, the superhero comes off as sometimes brooding, sometimes arrogant, even roguish and misogynistic, but always the quintessential American hero.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. An Amazing "Biography of Superman"  
By Rob Gutro  
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A celebration of Superman's life and history in time for his 75th birthday  
How has the Big Blue Boy Scout stayed so popular for so long? How has he changed with the times, and what essential aspects of him have remained constant? This fascinating biography examines Superman as a cultural phenomenon through 75 years of action-packed adventures, from his early years as a social activist in circus tights to his growth into the internationally renowned demigod he is today. Chronicles the ever-evolving Man of Steel and his world not just the men and women behind the comics, movies and shows, but his continually shifting origin story, burgeoning powers, and the colorful cast of trusted friends and deadly villains that surround him. Places every iteration of the Man of Steel into the character's greater, decades-long story: From Bud Collyer to Henry Cavill, World War II propagandist to peanut butter pitchman, Super Pup to Super Friends, comic strip to Broadway musical, Lori Lemaris to Lois Clark it's all here. Affectionate, in-depth analyses of the hero's most beloved adventures, in and out of the comic's his most iconic Golden Age tales, goofiest Silver Age exploits, and the contemporary film, television, and comics stories that keep him alive today. Written by NPR book critic, blogger, and resident comic book expert, Glen Weldon

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"Breezily written and compulsively readable." A/V Club  
"An excellent portrait of the Man of Steel, managing to be fan-crazed and critical at the same time." Publishers Weekly  
"[Gathers] the sprawling, complex, and occasionally contradictory history of Superman into a rich and deeply textured story." New York Journal of Books