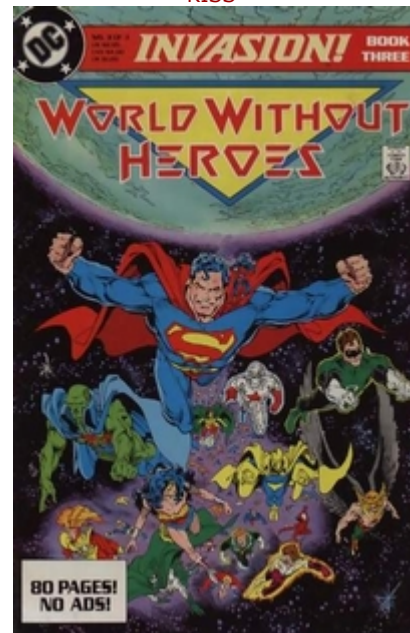


A World Without Heroes

Your Task: Listen to the lyrics (both sung and read aloud) of the song "A World Without Heroes" by Paul Stanley, Bob Ezrin, Lou Reed, and Gene Simmons. Using the words and ideas from the song, explain the need for heroes in our society (personal lives, culture, etc.), and reflect on what the world would be like if there were none. Select an example of a modern-day hero and describe three characteristics that make him/her heroic. Be sure to mention what things might be like without this hero. (Keep in mind that heroes are not always those in the public eye).



KISS



Hint: There are three body paragraphs in this essay.

"A World Without Heroes"

**Paul Stanley, Bob Ezrin, Lou Reed,
Gene Simmons**
as performed by KISS

**A world without heroes
Is like a world without sun
You can't look up to anyone
Without heroes
And a world without heroes
Is like a never ending race
Is like a time without a place
A pointless thing devoid of grace**

**Where you don't know what you're after
Or if something's after you
And you don't know why you don't know
In a world without heroes**

**In a world without dreams
Things are no more than they seem
And a world without heroes
Is like a bird without wings
Or a bell that never rings
Just a sad and useless thing**

**Where you don't know what you're after
Or if something's after you
And you don't know why you don't know**

**In a world without heroes
There's nothing to be
It's no place for me**