## **Introduction/Thesis and Integrating Definitions**

## Introduction

What is America? People ask that question a lot these days in the wake of all that is happening around us. It is important to remember our better selves and our higher angels. One great example of America's potential is Superman. He stands for what is best about us as a nation and his own motto says it best: "Superman stands for Truth, Justice, and the American Way!"

## **Thesis Statement**

It is important for people to know who Superman really is because he is an important aspect of American culture.

## **Integrating Definition**

You need to take your definition, introduce it, integrate it, quote/cite, and explain it (connect it to your thesis). When you're done you'll have a paragraph. See "Integrating Definition" posting on blog from other day.

To better appreciate and understand Superman, it's a good idea to understand what exactly he is in the realm of fiction: a superhero. According to *Merriam-Webster Dictionary*, a superhero is "a fictional hero having extraordinary or superhuman powers; also: an exceptionally skillful or successful person" ("superhero"). In the case of Superman, we can see that he does have "extraordinary or superhuman powers" in his ability to fly, invincibility, etc. He also has the extraordinary power to embody and portray to his audience the very best of human and American qualities.

"Superhero." *Merriam-Webster.com.* 5 July 2018. <a href="https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/superhero">https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/superhero</a>.

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