What's wrong with Doctor Doom winning?



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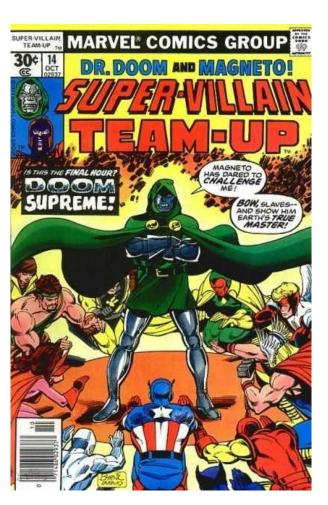


What If? #22 (Glut, Kida and Simons, Aug. 1980)

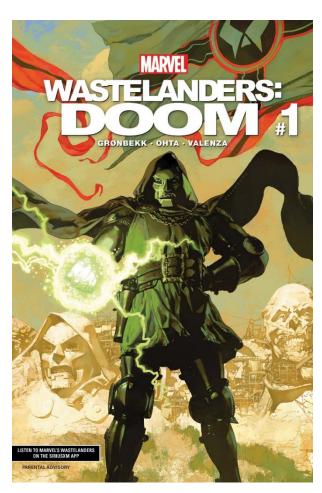
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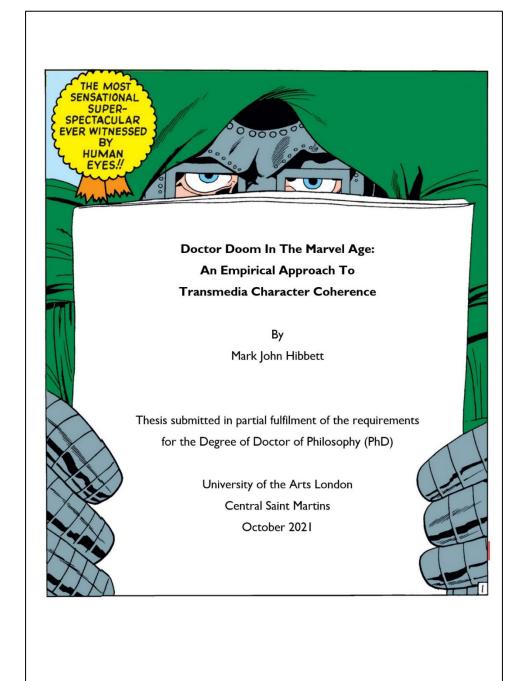
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Supervillains





Not Brand Echh #6 (Friedrich and Severin, Feb. 1968)

Fantastic Four #10 (Lee, Kirby and Ayers, Jan. 1963)

Doom wins



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Secret Wars #4 (Hickman, Ross and Ribic, Jul. 2015)

Marvel Superheroes Secret Wars #12 (Shooter, Zeck, Beatty, Adams, Nichols, Rubinstein, Apr. 1985)

Doom wins



The Amazing Spider-Man newspaper strip (Lee and Kida, 1982)



Avengers: Emperor Doom (Michelinie and Hall, Jan. 1987)



Cloak And Dagger #10 (Mantlo, Blevins and Austin, Jan. 1987)

Newspaper strip





Watchmen



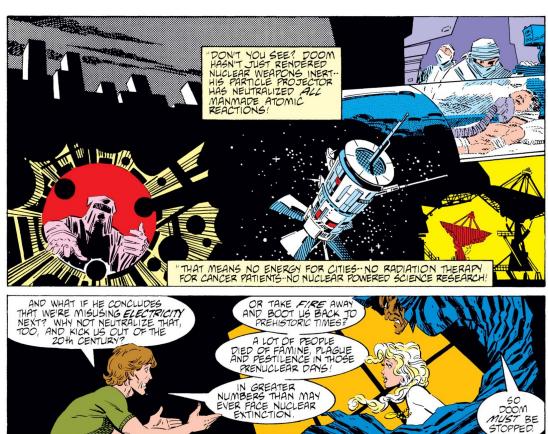
Watchmen #10 (Moore, Gibbons and Higgins, Jul. 1987)



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Avengers: Emperor Doom (Michelinie and Hall, Jan. 1987)

For years the Avengers have fought to keep the world free -- but now Victor Von Doom, despotic monarch of Latveria is about to change all that. If the Avengers cannot stop him, his flawless, most desperate plan yet will put the entire world under his armored thumb.

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Freedom

- Freedom from (negative freedom)
- Freedom to (positive freedom)

Negative freedom



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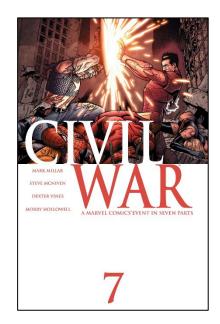


Amazing Spider-Man #801 (Slott and Martin, Aug. 2018)

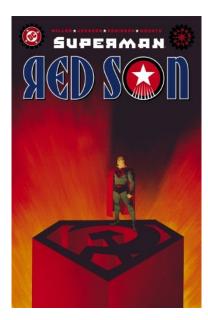
When superheroes take action



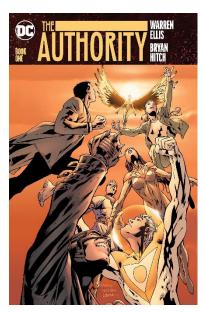
Squadron Supreme #12 (Gruenwald, Ryan and de la Rosa, Aug. 1986)



Civil War #7 (Millar, McNiven, Vines, Dell and Townsend, Jan.2007)



Red Son #1 (Millar, Johnson and Robinson, 2003)



The Authority: Book One (Ellis and Hitch, 2020)



Injustice (Peters, 2021)

How stories work

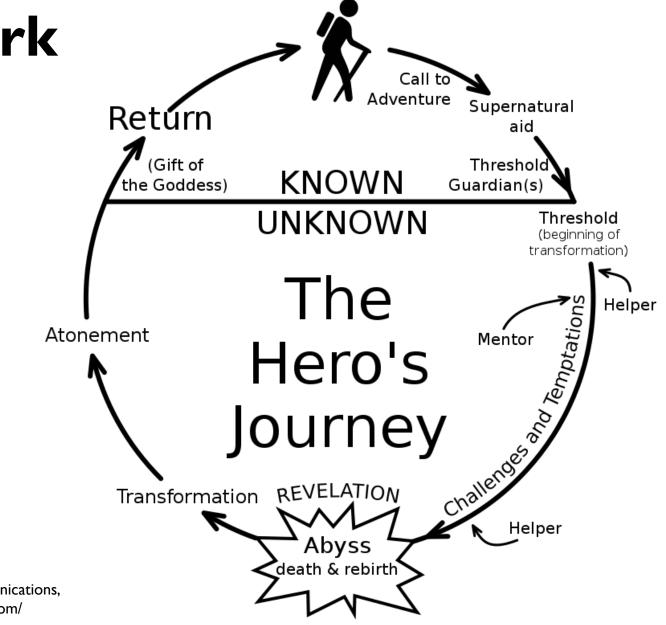


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Serial storytelling



Eastenders (BBC, 1985-present)

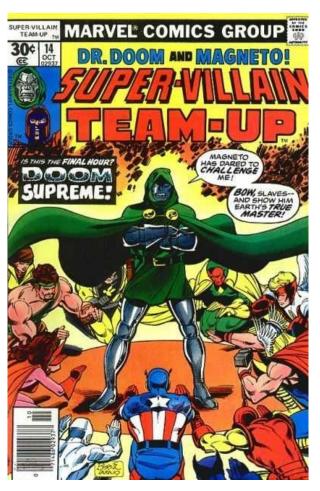
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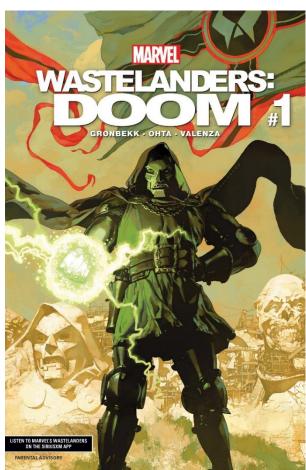
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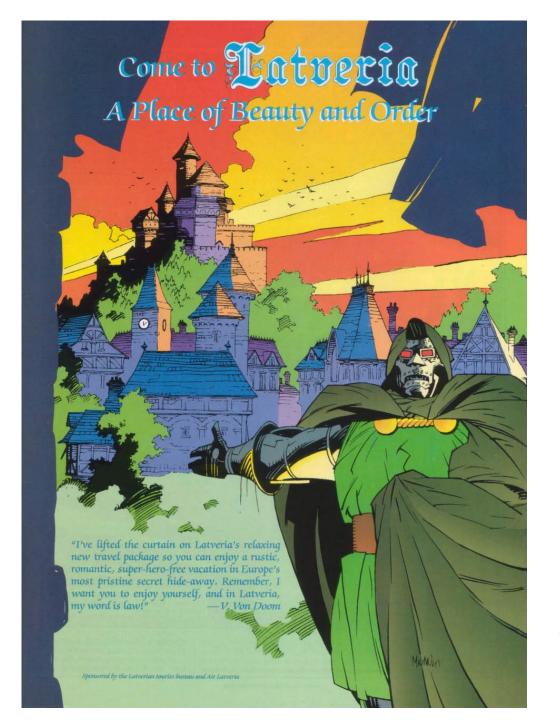


Super-Villain Team-Up #12 (Mantlo, Hall and Perlin, Jun. 1977)



Doctor Doom Slurpee Mug (Southland Corporation, 1975)

Wastelanders:Doom #I (Grønbekk and Ohta, Mar. 2022)



Marvel Year-In-Review #1 (Mignola, 1989)