## By the time it's needed

It was impressive to see how Batman worked from the beginning of his life as a hero but it was time for a well-deserved vacation.

Batman had been preparing for about two years to make everything go perfectly on his vacation to the Bahamas but because his customs were so established, it was very difficult for him to relax and the only place he could do it was spending time on the beach, and one day when he was walking on it, a woman almost drowned.

And it is that despite the holiday, he was always ready to help.

#### WHAT DO YOU THINK

It all began on a normal day, we are in the USA, in The White House. It must be eight o'clock or something near and suddenly all the alarms sound and all the media say the same thing: "A UFO has just landed in front of The White House".

For hours the whole world is looking out to see if someone gets out. For fear even all the countries have united before a common enemy, all the armies of all the countries in the world are waiting near the thing, and this for almost a month, there, waiting to see if anything came out.

And when they decided to enter there was nothing ,or so they thought ,we will never know or maybe yes.......

#### The tarot scammer

It was a hot day of June, I was doing activities for our English class. Meanwhile, my friend Pedro was reading tarot cards.

After that, I looked to the writing task and I saw there was a picture of a tarot reader which I was supposed to write about. I was very frightened because Pedro had been reading those cards previously. Then, I told him about that and he replied to me that he was a magician and that if I didn't give him 20 euros, the demon would come and take me with him. At first I believed him.

Luckily, I discovered he was a scammer, and finally, I called the police and he was arrested. I felt really excited.

# The New York Times

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## First confirmed extraterrestrial life.

They have abducted Donald Trump.

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The 45<sup>th</sup> President of the United States, Donald Trump, was thinking about something to write on Twitter to get people annoyed, when suddenly an unidentified object landed in front of the White House.

They were unknown extraterrestrial forms of life. As Donald Trump said to us, they greeted him in perfect American English. The aliens told him they had been looking for someone to abduct to make our world a more peaceful place. They had thought of his hating comments, the manner which he was behaving with the other countries, and how he reacted to the George Floyd's murder or to the COVID-19 pandemic.

They concluded the world would be a more peaceful place without him, so he was abducted.

### SUPER-DAD

I live with my dad in a small apartment in A Coruña in Galicia. He works all day and he is late home. He always hangs around with dark circles, but he smiles every time he sees me. He gets me into bed and stays by my side telling stories until I fall asleep.

One night I pretended to sleep and got up to see what he was doing. I found out he was putting on his special suit. The suit was black that seemed very resistant apparently. He also wore a mask that served to protect his secret identity. So, holstered in tights, he went out every night.

My dad's a superhero. This whole thing seemed like a dream.

## A magic place

"Watch out! The lion will eat us if we don't hide among these candy trees. Oh! What a surprise! There is a football stadium here, in the middle of the savannah.

Look! The elephants are playing with the tigers and crocodiles don't attack birds. It's a magic place! People from the tribe help each other, no matter if they are men or women, black or white.

It's strange, but I can see many people I know and all the tribe understand my language. There isn't any clock, so I can't know what time it is.

Oh! I hear a strange noise. I can't believe it! It's already seven, I have to go to school!.

## The problems of neglect

... Until one day you realize who you are at the moment and who you were a few years ago.

That feeling will make you feel angry, sad or even offended with yourself, but it's necessary to do it when you were the one and only who could save the town from danger; but now you are fat, plenty of junk food, tired of watching boring TV shows and without caring about all the downgrades you have received during these last years. That's not you, Batman. But once you realized, you already know that it's all over, you can't be as great as you were before.

You aren't anymore the Batman that people admire.

### Costume party

One day in June a costume party was celebrated at the airport. Everyone who wasn't disguised didn't pass the security control.

Everyone greeted each other and commented on their costumes. But, what was the surprise when they saw a huge dinosaur and a gorilla arrive? They were amazed, wondering if they were real or not. Realizing that they were real, they were scared. But they calmed when they started talking and even took some photos together.

People wondered how they would travel since they were so tall that they wouldn't fit in the plane. But, finally a recepcionist explained to them that they were only there to take photos with them and spend a different and fun day.

### The defeated hero

He felt angry and useless as he saw the people didn't need him anymore. The city had evolved and the time had changed, and his work didn't mean anything.

The citizens didn't want to see him again, so they ended up banishing him to an old house in a mountain on the outskirts of the town. They had all forgotten how he had helped them every time he could, and now, they hated him. But one day, the villains he once defeated, came back to the city. All the people were scared and the city began to burn in flames.

They prayed for help, but, this time, the man who once was a hero, now was just a man, and he wasn't able to help them.

### The return of batman

It all began when a mysterious man dressed in black beg an to appear in the city looking for problems to solve and thus keep people safe.

Now people've stopped believing in Batman, and they've let the security forces solve the problems that happen every day in the world. Because of this, Batman's locked in his messy home, depressed. But everything changed when the war of technology threatened the Earth, people were blowing each other apart, and when the y thought no one could save them,

Batman thought it was a good time to reappear and save the world.

And so it was, now he's loved by everyone, and he helps people.

I went to visit my grandmother in London. My family and I had arrived at the airport two hours before our flight and I decided to sleep because it was very early.

When I woke up I couldn't believe what my eyes saw. The airport was full of fantastic characters like vampires, giants, superheroes... I even pinched myself to check that it wasn't a dream. I didn't know what to do and I couldn't find my family anywhere.

I decided to take the plane and see what happened. While I was on the plane, I fell asleep again and when I woke up everything had returned to normal. It was impossible but I was sure it wasn't a dream.

### THE QUEUE:

- -Hey, how long have you been waiting here?
- -It's taken 3 hours and 50 minutes, more or less.
- What about you? How long have you been here?
- -I've only been 10 minutes so far .
- And why are you in front of the man who's been here longer than you? Did you jump the queue?
- -No, I've been told to be here!; I don't like jumping queues either, it's rude!!

At that moment, I realized that I had only five people ahead of me when, a moment ago, I had about 40 people ahead of me. My moment was near. Maybe that's why the guy who's been waiting here the longest was further back than the gentleman in front of me and had been waiting less time. We're about to know the unknown.

# 13-

I was hanging out the other day at a friend's farm; we were on the tractor on the way to the house.

Suddenly we saw a flying object with the shape of a dish flying through the sky. Without warning, it fell, crashing into the area of my friend's house. At that time, we pushed the tractor to the maximum in order to reach the mentioned-above house as soon as possible. When we arrived, we saw a large blinking metal object and a large crater where the object was located.

As we were reaching it, we took a stick and tried to open the cabin, smoke appeared. It was frozen. Finally, we managed to open it, there was nothing inside.

### **MYSTERY**

It was a huge house, where no one had ever entered for fear of what was in there. But my friends and I went in. There was no one there, or so we thought. Until we heard a noise.

We headed to the room where that sound came from. As we entered the room, we saw a huge monster with purple shoes. Its surroundings were full of scientific objects. But what caught our attention most were the letters in front of him. They were letters to see the future!

And just like out of nowhere he told us to sit down and he was going to tell us our future. And that's how we became his friends.

## 15-

This is the story of one superhero who fell in a depression.

The story starts with a superhero who is called Batman and was very popular and famous in his city, Gotham. In the beginning, everyone loved him because he saved people and he had always helped security.

Batman's nightmare started in the month of June, when a story came out in the news where you could see how Batman robbed a lady. In fact, this story was fake because it wasn't Batman who had robbed the lady, but it was a man disguised as him.

Since that moment, people began to hate the superhero and the good person that was in Batman disappeared and thus letting chaos take over the city, reaching such a point that the city ended up burning.

# 16-

This happened a few months ago; I travelled with my family to Washington.

The next day we woke up very early, and we went to visit the White House. When we got there, we saw something like a spaceship parked in the garden. We spent a long time observing it. When we were leaving something moved. We saw something strange come out. It was something like a person, but with extratospheric dimensions. When we saw him, all of us were running away. We got to the hotel and turned on the television.

We heard the news and saw that the bug was sweeping all over Washington. We stayed hidden in the hotel until we could return to Spain.

### Sunday, May 24, 2065

If anyone ever reads the pages of this diary, my name is Henry Ford.

Today I have managed to fulfil the dream of my life. I've managed to bring to life all the comic book and movie characters we've all grown up with. Actually, they are androids made by myself but they have the same qualities and are programmed to think as they would. My objective is to open a theme park where people can live adventures with their childhood characters. Tomorrow will be our inauguration, I'm nervous.

## Thursday, May 28, 2065

The launch has been quite a success, but I've noticed something strange. Some androids aren't following their script, they're improvising.

# 18-

When we think of superheroes, we all have an idealized image of them, they are the good guys in the movie, the perfect examples of what everyone should be.

But Batman is tired of being Batman, he broke up with his girlfriend, he is tired of always fighting crime so he has decided to eat a lot of food and to drink alcohol like there's no tomorrow until he eventually falls asleep. In this moment, the flames started all over his neighbourhood; he should have helped, but he didn't.

Many lives could have been saved, but Batman wasn't on duty that night. He needed a night off, although superheroes can't have that luxury.

It was a normal day for the President of the United States.

Trump was at his house when suddenly, he began to hear a lot of noise outside the White House. The man was very brave, but at the time, he got scared, and the first thing that occurred to him was to grab a gun and start shooting out the window, but suddenly, the house light started to fail and Trump became even more scared and decided to go to a bunker to find himself safer.

Finally, those who were outside the house scaring the president, managed to enter the house and found him in the bunker, where they killed him.

### The farewell

The moment was coming; time to say goodbye to the person you loved every second you spent by her side. Every tear shed, every laugh and every caress. That hug at the right time and those arms, that for many mistakes you would make, never let you go.

It's time to board that crowded plane, people who don't know each other, who have nothing in common but at the same time, everything. People who got on that plane to follow their dream. Dream of being a journalist, chef, artist... And there you are, in the middle of them, to be able to fulfill yours.

I just want you to make the right decision. And even so many kilometres separate us, I can assure you that when you return, I'll be waiting for you.

Thank you for being you and giving light to my life. I'll never tire myself of repeating it to you over and over. Thank you. You are incomparable, my friend.

# 21-

### The failed transition

Once a year, when these beings reach a certain mature age, they begin their journey with excitement.

When they arrive at the airport, human-beings tell them what to do and where to go. They are all willing to start a better new life. They have heard wonderful tales about the human world since they were born. In case you didn't notice, I'm talking about fictional beings, I mean, unicorns, vampires, superheroes, aliens...

However, when they all get on the plane, this vehicle doesn't lead them to a better life in coexistence with humans. They end up on cinema screens, in books and even in our dreams, just to entertain us, humans. And they are never told that.

Batman was always a superhero that everyone in the world talked about a few years ago. Children loved to tell their adventures, they bought costumes and imitated him.

But time passed and people talked less and less about his fantastic feats. Without realizing it, he went from being the best to being replaced by others like Spiderman, Superman or Flash. Seeing this, the poor superhero began to get depressed, he stayed at home every day without leaving, he lost his physical shape and stopped going to the calls to help citizens.

Finally, he was completely forgotten and ended up dying of sadness.

## BATMAN AFTER QUARANTINE.

During the quarantine, Batman had nothing to do since no one left the house, not even the villains.

When the quarantine ended, everything returned to normal and a villain had set fire to the entire city in order to rob a bank, but with the entire city burning, who would notice a robbery?

Batman finds out about this news, but after spending two months at home he didn't feel like going out, he had gotten used to a new lifestyle and felt very comfortable on his sofa watching TV without doing anything.

In the end Batman did nothing, he just relaxed and fell asleep. Something about him had changed. Who would administer justice now in the city?

### **Doubts**

Despair, anxiety, sadness. Living in the countryside surrounded by flowers, taking care of my grandmother, and me that I'm 19 years old, not knowing what to do,... everything around me is green,... I have learned to make things for example, a triangle, and other tools, to entertain my grandmother.

I had an idea and I went to see a tarot witch who told me she saw a bad omen.

I don't want to leave my grandmother, but perhaps it is the best. The witch told me that I will do badly at work and in love, she said that I should stay to live in the fields, but I want to enjoy life.

I have Doubts.

### An amazing trip

Who said that the characters of the best-known stories can't take a vacation? Well, once upon a time, Superman and Puss in Boots met at airport.

These two friends decided to spend a relaxing summer vacation in the Caribbean, but when they arrived at the airport, they met other famous characters like Frankenstein, Dracula, Godzilla, Batman... Surprisingly, they all went to the same place. At first Superman was annoyed because he wanted to spend the vacations in silence but then, the cat looked at him and told him not to be upset.

The flight was delayed because the travellers had taken a long time to pass the controls but ,finally, all of them were able to start their adventure.

### Stupid Hero

One day in Washington D. C our favourite hero was hitting some bad guys and saving the day. But this only happens in a comic. In reality, Jimmy, our protagonist, is a "normal person" who was reading ManBat, his favourite superhero. He is a vampire who changes his appearance in a human to patrol Holltap city and keep its people safe. Jimmy thought about his best idea ever: dress up as his favourite hero to patrol the city to find evil to defeat. The more hated villains by him are the politicians and the most horrible politician in the world is Doner Bump, because the only thing that he wanted was people's money.

So Jimmy was going to assault him in the afternoon while he was giving a speech. He hit him and after that, he ran so that the guards could not catch him, but the police stopped him and put him in jail indefinitely for hitting the president.

To sum up, please don't do stupid things that your favourite hero does.

### The Shop Keeper

I was walking through the city in a windy but warm day, four months ago, when a strange old man that was wearing very strange clothes called me from a shop that opened recently.

At first, I was afraid about the strange shop, but it seemed like the old man in the shop was bored because of the fact of people not coming to his shop, and I stayed there to help him move things and talk..

Since then, I go there every day, as we became very good friends. Also, he once read my future with the cards, but that's another chapter in the book of this life.