Here’s Your Bonus Hero Type

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*6 Types of Heroes You Need in Your Story*

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The Everyday Hero

*Example: Atticus Finch*

The everyday hero is one of the most common in modern, realistic fiction. This hero has a strong moral compass. He or she is selfless, preferring to act for the group or someone else.

While the everyday hero sounds like others on this list, it should be noted that this hero is the most relatable of all the types listed. That’s because the everyday hero is both inspiration and aspirational. He is not particularly unique or special. He doesn’t have noble or divine heritage. He doesn’t possess magical powers. He’s just a regular person who does the right thing, even at the risk of personal deficit.

The everyday hero reinforces the idea that you don’t have to be particularly special to make a huge difference in the world. She should stand up for what she believes in and choose to act, even when it goes against cultural norms.

Writing this hero can be challenging if you’re not careful to balance aspiration with moments of self-doubt or setbacks. The everyday hero shouldn’t come out of the womb knowing how to karate chop. He needs to learn, stumble and persevere. Otherwise, you risk creating a hero that’s preachy and unrelatable.