Online Resources

Case Study — Superhero Play
This excerpt from Chapter 5, Play and the Developing Child, in the book Exploring Early Childhood, by Louise Weilin (Pearson Australia/Heinemann 2001), discusses superhero play, the benefits of superhero play to children’s development, and strategies parents and early childhood educators can successfully use to manage this play.

www.truceteachers.org

Illinois Early Learning Project — Ask Dr. Katz
This Web site offers a variety of resources, including a question and answer column with Lilian G. Katz, director of the Illinois Early Learning Project. In this column Katz discusses gun play and provides an extensive list of Web and print resources for further reading.

http://illinoisearlylearning.org/ask-dr-katz/question006.htm

Managing Superhero Play — Tip Sheet
This brief from the Media Awareness Network offers tips for parents and teachers to help control the aggression that may arise in superhero play, while recognizing the important role that it can play in children’s healthy development.

www.media-awareness.ca/english/resources/tip_sheets/superhero_tip.cfm

TRUCE (Teachers Resisting Unhealthy Children’s Entertainment)
TRUCE is a national group of educators concerned about how children’s entertainment and toys are affecting the play and behavior of children in classrooms. Their Web site provides resources, information, and two annual guides for families and teachers, the Toys, Play, and Young Children Action Guide (also available in Spanish) and the Media and Children Action Guide.

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