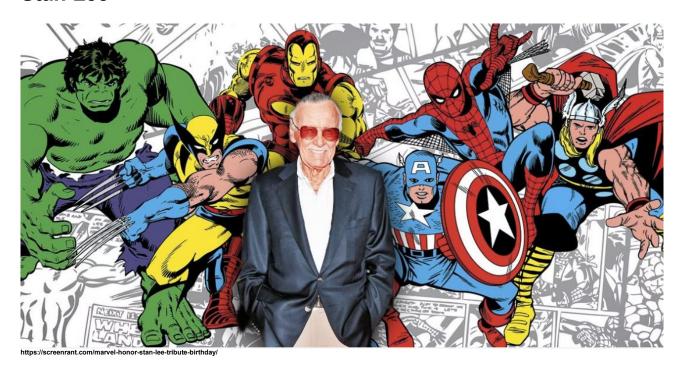
### Stan Lee



# Childhood:

- Stan Lee was born as Stanley Martin Lieber on December 28, 1922, in New York City, USA.
- He grew up in a small apartment in Manhattan with his younger brother, Larry.
- As a child, Stan loved reading books and watching movies, which sparked his interest in storytelling.
- He dreamed of writing the 'Great American Novel' one day.

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- Stan attended DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx, New York.
- He enjoyed writing for the school newspaper and even wrote obituaries for a local news service.
- He graduated high school early, at the age of 16, eager to start his career.

#### Career:

- Stan took odd jobs, including writing press releases for the National Tuberculosis Center.
- Stan Lee started working at Timely Comics (which later became Marvel Comics) in 1939 as an office assistant.
- He co-created some of the most famous superheroes, including Spider-Man, the X-Men, Iron Man, Thor, the Hulk, and the Fantastic Four.
- Stan was known for making superheroes with real-life problems, making them more relatable.
- He became the public face of Marvel, appearing in many Marvel movie cameos.

#### Famous Creations:

- The Incredible Hulk 
  <sup>L</sup> − A scientist who turns into a powerful green giant when angry.
- Iron Man A billionaire inventor with a powerful, high-tech suit of armor.

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- "With great power comes great responsibility." Spider-Man
- "Excelsior!" Stan Lee's personal catchphrase, meaning 'ever upward'.
- "I used to be embarrassed because I was just a comic book writer while other people were building bridges or going on to medical careers. And then I began to realise, entertainment is one of the most important things in people's lives."
- "The only advice anybody can give is if you want to be a writer, keep writing. And read everything you can."