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Keith Giffen, Cully Hammer : Blue Beetle (Book 1): Shellshocked before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Blue Beetle (Book 1): Shellshocked:

18 of 18 people found the following review helpful. not to be missed; for comic fans old and new By Jason McDaniel This book collects issues #1-6 of The Blue Beetle. During the INFINITE CRISIS, the Blue Beetle scarab found young Jaime Reyes for its new champion and with the scarab's help he assisted Batman and the other superheroes. This book, BLUEBEETLE: SHELLSHOCKED picks up right where INFINITE CRISIS ended. BLUE BEETLE is one of those "smart" books that can be enjoyed by young and old alike. This is a fun book about a teenager with superpowers and anyone who is a teenager or has ever been a teenager will get into it. There were parts that made me laugh: like the dynamic between Jaime, his sister, and his mother. It reminded me of my family growing up. And there were parts that really got me choked up, like the reaction of his mother upon Jaime's return. Or when the Blue Beetle says, "I don't care about being a superhero but this is a baby. I'm not letting anyone hurt a baby." And there is some incredible action. The book opens with a fight in the desert between one of the Green Lanterns and Blue Beetle. And the fight on the freeway involving Blue Beetle, Peacemaker and a psychotic demon is gripping. But what really sends this book over the top is the relationship between characters. Everyone of them is very real and complex. Jaime has a real family, real friends, and real villains. La Dama, his arch-nemesis in the book, is no 2-dimensional bad guy. Anyone who considers himself or herself a fan of comics but isn't reading this title is really missing out. I bought a copy for myself and a couple more for my nephews. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Highly recommended By Martin Quiazon I got into comics as a kid; they fired up my imagination, taught me about heroic

ideals, and reinforced my interests in science, space, and fiction in general. These days, comics are still aimed at my generation -- only now that we're twenty-plus years older, the content is darker, morally ambiguous, and in some aspects unsuitable for younger readers. While I enjoy the more sophisticated comics now available, it's hard to find mainstream titles appropriate for younger readers. With the arrival of the new Blue Beetle, there is now a book I can enthusiastically endorse. Jaime Reyes is the third hero to be called the Blue Beetle, a good kid who is thrust into a world of superheroics that he is entirely unprepared for. For decades after his debut in 1962, Peter Parker hid his activities as Spider-Man from his Aunt May for fear of giving her a heart attack. In contrast, Jaime reveals his secret early on to his family and friends. Their reaction is believable: there's a good deal of freaking out involved, but being family, they find a way to support each other through the inevitable complications. Cully Hamner's art is excellent, and the writing by Keith Giffen and John Rogers features great action, interesting plots, smart dialogue, and well-realized characters. I only hold back one star because there are so many references to characters and events in the larger world of DC Comics that may be confusing to readers new to comics in general. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Simple, but enjoyable. By Court I like this book because it's a superhero comic but it doesn't have a lot of the overused clichés that you see in most comics about teens. The main character is refreshing and doesn't fall subject to many of the teen stereotypes. He sorta reads as a normal intelligent teenager without the Hollywood-ishness that many teens "seem" to try and imitate. Very fun. good for ages 12 and up. Not overly violent. Very little profanity if any at all.

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