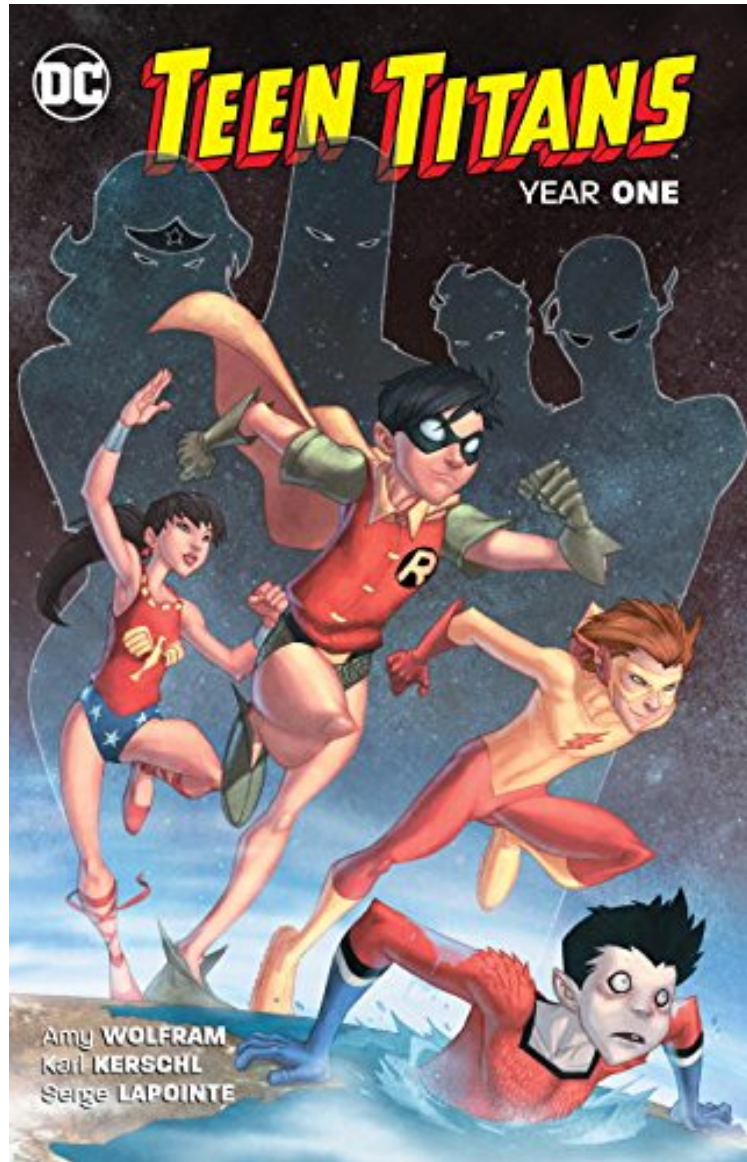


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Amy Wolfram : Teen Titans: Year One before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Teen Titans: Year One:

6 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Fun, but ends on a clumsy note By DJ Joe Sixpack "Teen Titans: Year One" Written by Amy Wolfram Illustrated by Karl Kerschl Serge LaPointe (DC Comics, 2008)-----This is a fun, irreverent take on the old, 1960-era "Teen Titans" book, which started out as a "Brave And Bold"-style team-up book, and morphed decades later into one of the most popular super-

books of the 1980s. I bought this for two reasons: one, I am on the prowl for comics that might be appropriate for younger kids (10 and under) and two, because I'm a fan of the old, original Titans, the kid-sidekicks lineup featured here. Glancing at this on the store shelves, I thought it might be too gimmicky or "raw" (ie, geared towards "mature audiences") or disrespectful towards the characters. But, I couldn't resist, and zooming through it at home, found it fun but slightly flawed. It almost works as a little-kids book -- the domestic-abuse scene where Batman wallops Robin is a little too disturbing, but other than that, this is okay. The big problem is with the ending: the last two pages just kind of... END. It's very abrupt and clumsy, and doesn't really track with the rest of the book. There is a whole subplot where Batman is bossing Robin around all the time, and although Bats was under some evil creature's influence when he hits Robin in the first chapter, you get the feeling the trouble runs a little deeper than that. The creators never quite flesh this subplot out, and while the last page tries to provide a resolution, it's very clunky and unsatisfying. It feels like maybe they planned a whole other issue to work this stuff out, and maybe DC nixed it because it got a little too heavy... Anyone know for sure? Anyway, this is mostly a pretty fun book - nice artwork and a mild Young Adult retcon for this goofy old kids' team. (Joe Sixpack, ReadThatAgain book reviews) 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Worth Just to Look at the Pictures By Partners in Crime I've been reading good things about this on other websites, so I was pretty sure I wasn't going to be disappointed. I'm happy to say I was right! It was beautifully illustrated and you get pages full of mentor-apprentice bonding times. Although I found the story complicated (that might have been because this was the first comic book I've read) the characters were certainly given justice with Teen Titans: Year One. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By paul davila I great modern retelling of the original team of teen heroes!

GROWN-UPS CAN BE A DRAG ...and crazy. So when the fabled heroes of the Justice League of America begin behaving worse than villains, can these young trainees set things right? Aqualad the wallflower who wets himself every hour? Wonder Girl the Amazon who loves too much? Speedy the impetuous archer smitten with her? Kid Flash a speedster impatient for the limelight, and everything else? Robin their leader, still fighting to leave the Batmans shadow? Eventually, they may prove as formidable as their mentors. But first: the inevitable growing pains. Writer Amy Wolfram (Teen Titans animated series, TEEN TITANS GO!) works with artists Karl Kerschl (GOTHAM ACADEMY) and Serge Lapointe (GOTHAM ACADEMY) to tell the story of the early days of a modern teenage super-team battling criminals, crushes and celebrity to become the heroes of the next generation.

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