

## BATMAN: THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD

### Character Bios

#### **BATMAN**

Batman is a crime fighter whose goal is to strike fear in the hearts of evildoers. But he's not the obsessed, grim-faced dark avenger of previous series. This Batman is tough, skilled, smart, the best at what he does, and has a million gadgets, but he also has a sense of humor and isn't afraid to crack wise with his dry wit now and again. Not a "team player" by nature, Batman frequently has his feathers ruffled when he teams up with others, but he knows how to best combine their abilities so the job gets done.

#### **ROBIN**

Batman's teenage sidekick grew up as a trapeze artist in his parents' act in a traveling circus. After they were killed in an accident, their son, Dick Grayson, was taken in by Bruce Wayne and eventually discovered his secret identity as Batman. They became a Dynamic Duo, fighting crime together as Robin translated his acrobatic skill into matchless hand-to-hand combat ability. Robin's wisecracking demeanor and youthful exuberance helped mellow the often-grim Dark Knight. But the Batman/Robin partnership isn't always a happy one, however, as Robin frequently feels lost in his mentor's shadow, and longs for the respect he feels he deserves.

#### **BLACK CANARY**

Black Canary is a second-generation superheroine with acrobatic skills and a distinctive supersonic scream she calls a "Canary Cry." Following in the footsteps of her mother, who was killed in action as a member of the Justice Society, Black Canary was raised by the older heroes, most directly by Wildcat, and trained by them alongside a youthful Batman. Though she felt treated as inferior to Batman by her mentors, she harbored romantic feelings for the Dark Knight until she met Green Arrow, with whom she became linked. Black Canary now fights with Green Arrow in the Justice League.

#### **CATMAN**

Catman is a supervillain who uses cat themes and cat-related weaponry as part of his crimes, such as selling rare tigers to the highest bidders. Catman fancies himself rugged and a great hunter, but when faced with adversity, he quickly turns tail and yowls for help. He is a mediocre fighter, although his claw-gloves can give an opponent something to think about. Catman longs to be among the A-

list of Batman's greatest villains alongside the Joker and the Penguin, but doesn't have the fortitude, style or cunning. He spends more time in Blackgate Prison than outside of it.

### **CATWOMAN**

Catwoman uses incredible acrobatics and agility, as well as cat themes, in her profession as a cat burglar. She is a formidable and intelligent foe who can prove very difficult to capture, and she frequently aids her own cause by employing her feminine wiles. It isn't clear whether or not she is attracted to Batman, and he to her, but she has flirted with him and he has expressed his desire for her to rehabilitate. Catwoman isn't prepared to go straight any time soon, and persists in pulling her cat capers, perhaps out of a desire for further interaction with the Caped Crusader.