SUPERHERO ROUNDUP!

Metaphors provide a visual description of a thing or quality. In the sentence “Superman is faster than a speeding bullet”, speeding bullet is a metaphor to mean that Superman moves too fast for a person to see him.

A superhero’s name can be a metaphor. Match the names of each superhero on the right to the literal descriptions of his or her power on the left.

_____ 1. He has blue exoskeleton-like armor.  
       She can shrink to insect size, fly, and fire electric “stings”.  
_____ 2.  
_____ 3. He wears a bulletproof suit of armor.  
_____ 4. He can shrink down to microscopic size.  
_____ 5. He has a massive body.  
_____ 6. He is a master of archery.  
       He can manipulate fire, turn his whole body into fire, and fly.  
_____ 7.  

A   The Atom  
B   Hulk  
C   Human Torch  
D   Green Arrow  
E   Steel  
F   Blue Beetle  
G   Wasp

8. Now invent a superhero of your own! Think of what qualities and powers you would like your superhero to have. Now think metaphorically! Give your superhero a name that will let others know what his or her powers are. Write down your superhero’s name, and briefly describe his or her powers.

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