

What's The Big Idea, Ben Franklin

Jean Fritz

000 Miles of Danger (1988) What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin? (1988) The Great Little Madison (Putnam, 1989), winner of the Boston Globe–Horn Book Award

Jean Guttery Fritz (November 16, 1915 – May 14, 2017) was an American children's writer best known for American biography and history. She won the Children's Legacy Literature Award for her career contribution to American children's literature in 1986. She turned 100 in November 2015 and died in May 2017 at the age of 101.

Uncle Ben

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Benjamin Franklin Parker, usually referred to as Uncle Ben, is a supporting character appearing in American comic books published by Marvel Comics, usually in association with the superhero Spider-Man (Peter Parker). He was the husband of May Parker and the paternal uncle and father figure of Peter Parker. After appearing in *Strange Tales* #97 (January 1962), Uncle Ben made his first full appearance in *Amazing Fantasy* #15 (August 1962), and was created by writer Stan Lee and artist Steve Ditko. He was modeled and named after American founding father Benjamin Franklin.

The character has been an essential part of Spider-Man's history. His death at the hands of a petty criminal, whom Spider-Man previously had the chance to apprehend, but chose not to, has been depicted in most versions of the hero's origin story, as the main factor that inspired Peter to become Spider-Man. Uncle Ben's quote, "With great power there must also come great responsibility" (often paraphrased as "With great power comes great responsibility"), has become Spider-Man's "moral guide" and iconic life motto.

The character has been substantially adapted from the comics into various forms of media, including films, animated series, and video games. He was portrayed by Cliff Robertson in Sam Raimi's Spider-Man trilogy (2002–2007) and by Martin Sheen in the film *The Amazing Spider-Man* (2012). In December 2021, Spider-Man: No Way Home (2021) screenwriters Chris McKenna and Erik Sommers confirmed that Uncle Ben's comic book role as Peter's "moral guide" in the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU)—who tells him his life motto before being killed as a result of his actions—had instead been adapted to his aunt May Parker, portrayed by Marisa Tomei in five films from 2016 to 2021. Adam Scott portrays a younger Ben Parker in the Sony's Spider-Man Universe (SSU) film *Madame Web* (2024).

Franklin D. Roosevelt

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A member of the prominent Delano and Roosevelt families, Roosevelt was elected to the New York State Senate from 1911 to 1913 and was then the assistant secretary of the Navy under President Woodrow Wilson during World War I. Roosevelt was James M. Cox's running mate on the Democratic Party's ticket in the

1920 U.S. presidential election, but Cox lost to Republican nominee Warren G. Harding. In 1921, Roosevelt contracted a paralytic illness that permanently paralyzed his legs. Partly through the encouragement of his wife, Eleanor Roosevelt, he returned to public office as governor of New York from 1929 to 1932, during which he promoted programs to combat the Great Depression. In the 1932 presidential election, Roosevelt defeated Herbert Hoover in a landslide victory.

During his first 100 days as president, Roosevelt spearheaded unprecedented federal legislation and directed the federal government during most of the Great Depression, implementing the New Deal, building the New Deal coalition, and realigning American politics into the Fifth Party System. He created numerous programs to provide relief to the unemployed and farmers while seeking economic recovery with the National Recovery Administration and other programs. He also instituted major regulatory reforms related to finance, communications, and labor, and presided over the end of Prohibition. In 1936, Roosevelt won a landslide reelection. He was unable to expand the Supreme Court in 1937, the same year the conservative coalition was formed to block the implementation of further New Deal programs and reforms. Major surviving programs and legislation implemented under Roosevelt include the Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Labor Relations Act, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Social Security. In 1940, he ran successfully for reelection, before the official implementation of term limits.

Following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, Roosevelt obtained a declaration of war on Japan. When in turn, Japan's Axis partners, Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy, declared war on the U.S. on December 11, 1941, he secured additional declarations of war from the United States Congress. He worked closely with other national leaders in leading the Allies against the Axis powers. Roosevelt supervised the mobilization of the American economy to support the war effort and implemented a Europe first strategy. He also initiated the development of the first atomic bomb and worked with the other Allied leaders to lay the groundwork for the United Nations and other post-war institutions, even coining the term "United Nations". Roosevelt won reelection in 1944, but died in 1945 after his physical health seriously and steadily declined during the war years. Since then, several of his actions have come under criticism, such as his ordering of the internment of Japanese Americans and his issuance of Executive Order 6102, which mandated the largest gold confiscation in American history. Nonetheless, historical rankings consistently place him among the three greatest American presidents, and he is often considered an icon of American liberalism.

Aretha Franklin

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As a child, Franklin was noticed for her gospel singing at New Bethel Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan, where her father C. L. Franklin was a minister. At the age of 18, she was signed as a recording artist for Columbia Records. While her career did not immediately flourish, Franklin found acclaim and commercial success once she signed with Atlantic Records in 1966. She recorded albums such as *I Never Loved a Man the Way I Love You* (1967), *Lady Soul* (1968), *Spirit in the Dark* (1970), *Young, Gifted and Black* (1972), *Amazing Grace* (1972), and *Sparkle* (1976), before experiencing problems with the record company. Franklin left Atlantic in 1979 and signed with Arista Records. Her success continued with the albums *Jump to It* (1982), *Who's Zoomin' Who?* (1985), *Aretha* (1986) and *A Rose Is Still a Rose* (1998).

Franklin is one of the best-selling music artists, with more than 75 million records sold worldwide. She charted 112 singles on the US Billboard charts, including 73 Hot 100 entries, 17 top-ten pop singles, 96 R&B entries and 20 number-one R&B singles. Her best-known hits include "I Never Loved a Man (The Way I Love You)" (1967), "Respect" (1967), "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman" (1967), "Chain of

Fools" (1967), "Ain't No Way" (1968), "Think" (1968), "I Say a Little Prayer" (1968), "Call Me" (1970), "Don't Play That Song (You Lied)" (1970), "Spanish Harlem" (1971), "Rock Steady" (1971), "Day Dreaming" (1972), "Until You Come Back to Me (That's What I'm Gonna Do)" (1973), "Something He Can Feel" (1976), "Jump to It" (1982), "Freeway of Love" (1985), "Who's Zoomin' Who" (1985), "I Knew You Were Waiting (For Me)" (a duet with George Michael, 1987) and "A Rose Is Still a Rose" (1998). She also made a featured appearance in the 1980 musical-comedy film *The Blues Brothers*.

Franklin received numerous honors throughout her career. She won 18 Grammy Awards out of 44 nominations, including the first eight awards given for Best Female R&B Vocal Performance (1968–1975), as well as a Grammy Living Legend Award and Lifetime Achievement Award. She was also awarded the National Medal of Arts and the Presidential Medal of Freedom. In 1987, she became the first female artist to be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Her other inductions include the UK Music Hall of Fame in 2005, the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 2012, and posthumously the National Women's Hall of Fame in 2020. In 2019, the Pulitzer Prize jury awarded her a posthumous special citation "for her indelible contribution to American music and culture for more than five decades".

Jaime Ray Newman

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Jaime Ray Newman (born (1978-04-02)April 2, 1978) is an American actress, producer and singer. She is known for starring as Kristina Cassadine in the soap opera *General Hospital*, Mindy O'Dell in the drama series *Veronica Mars*, Kat Gardener in the fantasy series *Eastwick*, Lt. Laura Cadman in the science-fiction series *Stargate Atlantis*, Tess Fontana in the science-fiction series *Eureka*, Kat Petrova in the drama-thriller series *Red Widow*, Sam Gordon in the comedy-drama series *Mind Games*, Allison Roth in the crime drama series *Wicked City*, and Sarah Lieberman in the Marvel series *The Punisher*.

Along with her husband Guy Nattiv, she won the Academy Award for Best Live Action Short Film in 2019 for producing the drama *Skin* (2018).

Big Nate: Strikes Again

the library to do research on his product, and Randy getting in trouble with the principal for running in the school. After writing some Ben Franklin

Big Nate Strikes Again is a realistic fiction novel by American cartoonist Lincoln Peirce. It is based on the comic strip and the second book in the Big Nate novel series. The book was released on October 19, 2010. It is aimed at children aged 8 to 12. It was published by HarperCollins Publishers. The book has a 13,928 sale rank.

The Fantastic Four: First Steps

their FTL system, the team delays the chasing Silver Surfer and propel themselves back to Earth. Sue gives birth to a boy, Franklin, on the way. On their

The Fantastic Four: First Steps is a 2025 American superhero film based on the Marvel Comics superhero team the Fantastic Four. Produced by Marvel Studios and distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures, it is the 37th film in the Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU) and the second reboot of the Fantastic Four film series. The film was directed by Matt Shakman from a screenplay by Josh Friedman, Eric Pearson, and the team of Jeff Kaplan and Ian Springer. It features an ensemble cast including Pedro Pascal, Vanessa Kirby, Ebon Moss-Bachrach, and Joseph Quinn as the titular team, alongside Julia Garner, Sarah Niles, Mark Gatiss, Natasha Lyonne, Paul Walter Hauser, and Ralph Ineson. The film is set in the 1960s of a retro-futuristic world which the Fantastic Four must protect from the planet-devouring cosmic being Galactus

(Ineson).

20th Century Fox began work on a new Fantastic Four film following the failure of Fantastic Four (2015). After the studio was acquired by Disney in March 2019, control of the franchise was transferred to Marvel Studios, and a new film was announced that July. Jon Watts was set to direct in December 2020, but stepped down in April 2022. Shakman replaced him that September when Kaplan and Springer were working on the script. Casting began by early 2023, and Friedman joined in March to rewrite the script. The film is differentiated from previous Fantastic Four films by avoiding the team's origin story. Pearson joined to polish the script by mid-February 2024, when the main cast and the title *The Fantastic Four* were announced. The subtitle was added in July, when filming began. It took place until November 2024 at Pinewood Studios in England, and on location in England and Spain.

The Fantastic Four: First Steps premiered at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Los Angeles on July 21, 2025, and was released in the United States on July 25, as the first film in Phase Six of the MCU. It received generally positive reviews from critics and has grossed \$492 million worldwide, making it the tenth-highest-grossing film of 2025 as well the highest-grossing Fantastic Four film. A sequel is in development.

List of Home and Away characters

Jack (20 August 2019). "Who did Ben Unwin play in Home and Away and what else has he been in?" Metro. Archived from the original on 20 August 2019. Retrieved

Home and Away is an Australian television soap opera that has been broadcast on Channel Seven since 1988. This list documents the current cast of actors and characters, both regular and recurring, as well as debuting, returning and departing cast members. It is organised in order of the character's first on-screen appearance. If a character has been portrayed by different actors, the most recent portrayer is listed last. It is followed by an alphabetical list of all former characters that have been credited as regulars, with the actors who played them. The durations indicate that the character made at least one appearance in every year in that period, not necessarily that they were a regular character throughout.

Mister Fantastic

Zemo. Later Reed becomes a mad scientist, aided by evil versions of Ben Grimm, Franklin Richards and Peter Parker. They are defeated by Spider Girl, Thunderstrike

Mister Fantastic (Reed Richards) is a superhero appearing in American comic books published by Marvel Comics. He was created by Stan Lee and Jack Kirby. The character is a founding member and the leader of the Fantastic Four. Richards has a mastery of mechanical, aerospace and electrical engineering, chemistry, all levels of physics, and human and alien biology. *BusinessWeek* listed Mister Fantastic as one of the top ten most intelligent fictional characters in American comics. He is the inventor of the spacecraft that was bombarded by cosmic radiation on its maiden voyage, granting the Fantastic Four their powers. Richards gained the ability to stretch his body into any shape he desires.

Mister Fantastic acts as the leader and father figure of the Fantastic Four, and although his cosmic ray powers are primarily stretching abilities, his presence on the team is defined by his scientific acumen, as he is officially acknowledged as the smartest man in the Marvel Universe. This is particularly a point of tragedy in regards to his best friend, Ben Grimm, who he has constantly tried to turn back into his human form but who typically remains in a large, rocky form and is called the Thing. Richards is the husband of Susan Storm, father of Franklin Richards and Valeria Richards, and mentor to his brother-in-law, Johnny Storm.

The character was portrayed by actors Alex Hyde-White in the 1994 *The Fantastic Four* film, Ioan Gruffudd in the 2005 film *Fantastic Four* and its 2007 sequel *Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer*, and Miles Teller in the 2015 film *Fantastic Four*. In the Marvel Cinematic Universe franchise, John Krasinski portrayed a variant of Richards in the 2022 film *Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness*, and Pedro Pascal

portrayed another version of him in the 2025 film *The Fantastic Four: First Steps*, and will reprise the role in the 2026 film *Avengers: Doomsday* and the 2027 film *Avengers: Secret Wars*.

DC Universe (franchise)

featured, including Maury Sterling as Sgt. Franklin Rock, Robbie Daymond as Little Sure Shot, and Paul Ben-Victor as Bulldozer. Streaming service HBO

The DC Universe (DCU) is an American media franchise and shared universe based on characters from DC Comics publications. It was created by James Gunn and Peter Safran, co-chairmen and co-CEOs of DC Studios. The DCU is a soft reboot of a previous franchise, the DC Extended Universe (DCEU), retaining select cast members and narrative elements but disregarding others. In contrast with the previous state of DC Comics adaptations, the DCU features a united continuity and story across live-action films and television, animation, and video games. Concurrent DC adaptations that do not fit this continuity are labeled "DC Elseworlds".

After Discovery, Inc. and WarnerMedia merged to become Warner Bros. Discovery (WBD), CEO David Zaslav revealed a plan to revitalize the DC brand following the poor reception of the DCEU. Gunn and Safran were hired to lead the newly formed DC Studios in November 2022 after working on several DCEU projects, including the film *The Suicide Squad* (2021) and its spin-off series *Peacemaker* (2022–present). The pair spent several months with a group of writers developing the overarching story for a new DC continuity, which features a combination of popular and obscure DC characters. Some DCEU projects in development were abandoned in favor of new takes, while others—including *Peacemaker*—continued within the new franchise. Certain DCEU actors reprise their roles in the DCU, while others are recast. Gunn and Safran wanted to focus on storytelling needs rather than forcing creators to complete their projects to meet specific release dates.

The story of the DCU is divided into chapters, starting with "Gods and Monsters" which began in 2024 with the animated series *Creature Commandos*. Gunn and Safran consider the chapter's first film, *Superman* (2025), to be the true beginning of the DCU.

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