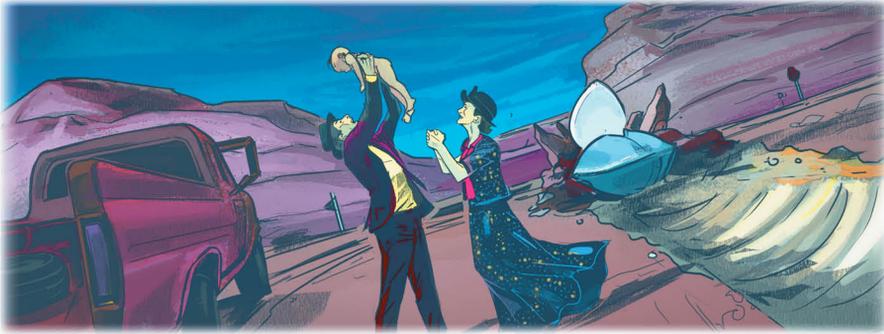


*With rare exception,
the world almost
never changes
overnight.*



*Shifts are
usually slow
and layered.*



*It takes years
before anyone even
realizes they're
happening.*



*Or how they're
going to
affect us.*



*And then one day
you wake up...*

...and the whole world seems to have gotten superpowers.







Which is what eventually led to the **spread**. When magic and superpowers became easy to get, and even easier to use.

For all the people who wanted **protection**.



From the heroes and villains.



From their scary neighbors.



From anything they were afraid of.



...it was Metropolis that changed everything.



For three days and three nights, the place was a war zone. Heroes and villains. Soldiers and civilians.

Thousands died.

The city crumbled.



And then, on day four...