

ROBIN

THE BOY WONDER

DICK GRAYSON (ROBIN I)

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #38 (April 1940)
 STATUS Hero REAL NAME Richard "Dick" Grayson
 OCCUPATION Crime fighter; police officer BASE Gotham City
 HEIGHT 5ft 10in WEIGHT 175 lbs EYES Blue HAIR Black

JASON TODD (ROBIN II)

FIRST APPEARANCE DETECTIVE COMICS #526 (September 1983)
 STATUS Hero (deceased) REAL NAME Jason Todd
 OCCUPATION Crime fighter; student BASE Gotham City
 HEIGHT 5ft 2in WEIGHT 105 lbs EYES Blue HAIR Black

TIM DRAKE (ROBIN III)

FIRST APPEARANCE (as Tim Drake) BATMAN #436 (August 1989);
 (as Robin) BATMAN #457 (December 1990)

STATUS Hero REAL NAME Timothy Drake
 OCCUPATION Student; crime fighter BASE Gotham City
 HEIGHT 5ft 5in WEIGHT 125 lbs EYES Blue HAIR Black
 SPECIAL POWERS/ABILITIES

Like the previous Robins, Tim Drake was trained by Batman in martial arts, as well as sleuthing skills. He is adept in the use of electronic devices, especially computers. Tim's utility belt carries the standard complement of Batarangs, gas capsules, de-cel jumpines, and other tools. His R-insignia doubles as a razor-sharp shuriken. Robin's costume is lined with Kevlar and Nomex fabrics, making it bulletproof and fire-resistant. His mask is fitted with Starlite night-vision lenses. Typically, Robins have ridden customized Batcycles in their own colors, but Tim prefers his Redbird, a crime-fighting car second only to the Batmobile.

As a member of the Flying Graysons acrobatic family, young Dick Grayson thrilled audiences nightly on the high wire beside his circus aerialist parents. But when gangster "Boss" Zucco sabotaged the high wire because the owner of Haly's Circus refused to offer up protection money, the elder Graysons paid with their lives. Billionaire Bruce Wayne was in the audience that night; however it was BATMAN who visited the grieving Dick Grayson, offering the boy a chance at retribution by becoming Robin, the Dark Knight's squire in his personal war on crime.



DICK GRAYSON

The first Robin was carefully schooled by Batman, learning all the skills he would need to bring "Boss" Zucco to justice. Before long, Dick was ready for action. Swearing a solemn oath, he joined the Dark Knight's crusade as his most trusted partner, Robin the Boy Wonder.

After several years in service to the Dark Knight, Grayson—then leader of the TEEN TITANS—relinquished the mantle of Robin

when Batman forced him to choose between his duties with the Titans and his promise to aid the Dark Knight. Adopting the identity of NIGHTWING, Dick continued to battle crime while remaining Batman's close ally.

JASON TODD

Batman met juvenile delinquent and presumed orphan Jason Todd when the boy literally tried to steal the tires right off the Batmobile. With original partner Dick Grayson having given up the role of Robin, Batman decided to take Jason in and offer him both a home and a purpose. Jason began the same training regimen Grayson once undertook to become the Dark

Knight's partner. However, Jason was a troubled soul who lacked maturity and was quick to anger.

A DEATH IN THE FAMILY

When Jason discovered clues that his long-lost mother was alive, he secretly travelled to Africa to find her. Tragically, the trail also led him straight into the clutches of the JOKER, who savagely beat the second Boy Wonder within an inch of his life. The Clown Prince of Crime left Jason and his mother to die in a booby-trapped warehouse wired from floor to ceiling with high-explosive charges. Jason courageously tried to shield his mother from the brunt of the devastating blast. She survived the explosion just long enough to tell a grief-stricken Batman that his reckless young partner had died a hero.

THE DEATH OF ROBIN Batman cradled Jason in his arms, blaming himself for not rescuing him in time, consumed with rage at the Joker's latest, cruellest crime.



SENSATIONAL DEBUT The introduction of Robin brought a ray of hope to the Dark Knight's nocturnal vigil.



Robin's costume carries most of the same crime fighting equipment wielded by his mentor, Batman.



TRAINING With Batman, Nightwing, Batgirl, and Azrael as sparring partners, Robin is prepared for combat with any opponent.

TIM DRAKE

Tim Drake was barely more than a toddler when he sat in the stands at Haly's Circus and watched the Flying Graysons fall to their doom. Tim was transfixed as the Dark Knight swooped down to comfort young Dick Grayson. The moment was burned into his memory. Years later, Tim saw news reports of an unhinged Batman becoming more and more violent following the death of the second Robin, Jason Todd. Using his detective skills, Tim deduced the secret identity of Batman and the first Boy Wonder, Dick Grayson.



MODEL STUDENT Tim went to Brentwood Academy until his father had money trouble. Public education made it easier for Tim to operate as Robin.

THE THIRD ROBIN

After revealing this knowledge to the original Dynamic Duo, Tim argued the need for a Robin to give the Dark Knight hope, especially when faced with a seemingly hopeless and unyielding war on crime. Though reluctant at first, Batman gave Tim the opportunity to prove that he was as good as his word. After months of grueling training, Tim Drake became the third Robin. It is a job at which Tim excels, despite the constant struggle of balancing his crime-fighting life with the day-to-day battles of just being a teenager. A former member of YOUNG JUSTICE, Tim presently belongs to the latest incarnation of the Teen Titans.



THE TEEN TITANS

Tim Drake once led YOUNG JUSTICE. This group of teenage heroes disbanded, and members Robin, KID FLASH II, SUPERBOY, and WONDER GIRL II graduated to an all-new incarnation of the TEEN TITANS that includes Titans teammates BEAST BOY, CYBORG, and STARFIRE, all mentors to the less-experienced junior Titans.



ROMANCE

Tim met teen vigilante Stephanie Brown, the SPOILER, when she first attempted to thwart her father the CLUEMASTER's criminal schemes. Mutual attraction grew, and Tim began supplying Stephanie with official Bat-Equipment. Their love ended tragically, when Stephanie was killed in action. SB

- BATMAN #426-429 (DECEMBER 1988 - JANUARY 1989): While searching for his biological mother, Jason Todd is murdered by the Joker! Batman's resolve is sorely tested as "A Death in the Family" brings terrible tragedy to the Batcave.
- BATMAN CHRONICLES: THE GAUNTLET (1997): Dick Grayson's "final exam" to become Batman's partner involves surviving a night alone in Gotham!
- ROBIN: YEAR ONE #1-4 (OCTOBER 2000 - JANUARY 2001): Dick Grayson's first year as Boy Wonder includes victories against Mad Hatter and Mr. Freeze, but a near-fatal encounter with Two-Face!