

The Avengers is a team of fictional superhero characters in comic books published by Marvel Comics. Originally created using preexisting Marvel characters, variously created by writer-editor Stan Lee, artist and co-plotter Jack Kirby and others, the team first appeared in The Avengers #1 (Sept. 1963). Labelled "Earth's Mightiest Heroes", the Avengers originally consisted of Ant-Man, Wasp, Thor, Iron Man, and the Hulk. Almost from inception, however, the roster has been fluid - the Hulk departed and Captain America joined the team within the first four issues of the series. The reporter asks Kenneth Branagh if he talked with Jon Favreau and Joss Whedon while making this film: "I did speak to Jon during prep and while Jon was doing 'Iron Man 2' and I spoke to Robert Downey. I also spoke to Joss who had spoke to me about Chris [Hemsworth] and also spoke to me before he joined the Marvel universe and

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