

Last month in China, two ordinary things were combined to create a spectacular scene. On June 6 in Changchun City, some students from the Tour College of Changchun University put on blue and yellow raincoats, carefully lined up, and then on cue, dropped Mentos candies into 2-liter bottles of Coke. Suddenly there were geysers erupting, people ducking, and soft drinks flying everywhere! When it was all over, a new Guinness world record of 2,175 Mentos/Coke geysers in one location had been set. The physical reaction between the two everyday snacks was first shown on TV in 1999, and ever since then groups around the world have been breaking records for the most fountains dispensing at one time. Using the right ingredients, plain mint Mentos and Diet Coke seem to be the key to creating sensational 25-foot geysers.

*Think about it...*

- What are Diet Cokes usually used for? Mentos?
- How do you think the students participating in the explosive event felt when it was over?

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## What Makes Them Super?

Superheroes and supervillains are often ordinary people who have had something happen to change them. Take one minute to brainstorm a list of superheroes and supervillains. Beside each name, write what makes the person's super abilities possible. Why is it sometimes important for superheroes to team up with others to accomplish their tasks?



What can you do with your friends to carry out a project for God?