

*Anti/hero* by Kate Karyus Quinn & Demitria Lunetta

Piper Pájaro and Sloane MacBrute are teenagers attending the same school, but living *very* different lives. Piper wants nothing more than to prove herself as a superhero, and with her enthusiasm and super-strength she's definitely on track. You know, if she can stop breaking everything she touches. Sloane is off-the-charts smart and doesn't want to be a supervillain, but keeps finding herself on the wrong side of the law in order to help her mom. The girls end up in the same research lab looking for the same super-secret prototype, and something happens to make them switch bodies. Living each other's lives while trying to figure out how to switch back makes both girls really think about how they can use their respective powers for good, and how teaming up might be their best bet.

*Anti/hero* was a really fun addition to the DC Comics universe. The story takes place in Gotham and Batman does make a quick appearance, and it was cool to see him in a different light here. The art is fantastic, with some of the gritty darkness that Gotham is known for, but the color palette is mostly lighter and brighter since this is intended for a younger audience. Piper and Sloane are well-rounded characters, with very realistic teenager personalities. You really feel for them, since they're both just trying to do their best to make their respective families proud. The writing is great, the pacing is spot-on, and this is an overall wonderful origin story for Piper and Sloane's super alter egos. I can't wait to read more in this series!

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