


"IN THE  
BEGINNING,  
THERE WAS  
NOTHING.


"AND THEN...

"...THERE WAS  
BATMAN.


"AND THIS WAS  
GOOD."




This is very,  
very bad.




So, Batman, you got  
yourself trapped in  
an industrial  
furnace.



Gun is cooked.



Temperature is  
eight hundred  
degrees and--



No, make that *nine*  
hundred degrees  
and rising.

In about thirty seconds, this hot-box will reach fourteen hundred degrees, cremation level, and your suit will give out and you will literally be burnt to dust.

Alright,  
Batman...

...time to do  
something  
amazing.



Huff huff- SEMPER FI.



Bearings. Hurry.

Walls are two-foot steel with lead backing. Hopeless.

The trap door hermetically sealed. Hopeless.



A thousand degrees now. Move.

The coolant coils are hopele--

Wait. They're exposed.

If you can short circuit them...



The gun is dead, but the batarang has its own power source. If you can get it out...

Alright. Now stop. Stop wondering if everything's in order for Barbara. Stop wondering if you told her you loved her the last time you spoke.

And most of all, stop thinking about all the times you missed in practice. Those were just for... suspense. Just for dramatic effect. Right now. Right here.



You will do this.



You will.



GET UP! WE NEED TO INFORM BLOOM OF THIS.

AGH! BUT...BUT, SIR, MY LEG WAS EATEN!

I DON'T CARE! GET UP! I SAID GET U--

ACTUALLY, HOW ABOUT YOU STAY DOWN?

NOW ~~huff huff~~ WHERE THE HELL IS BLOOM?



YOU DARE--

AGH!



Stupid, Batman. Stupid.

You're rushing into an ambush because you're still used to having backup. A partner.



ACK!

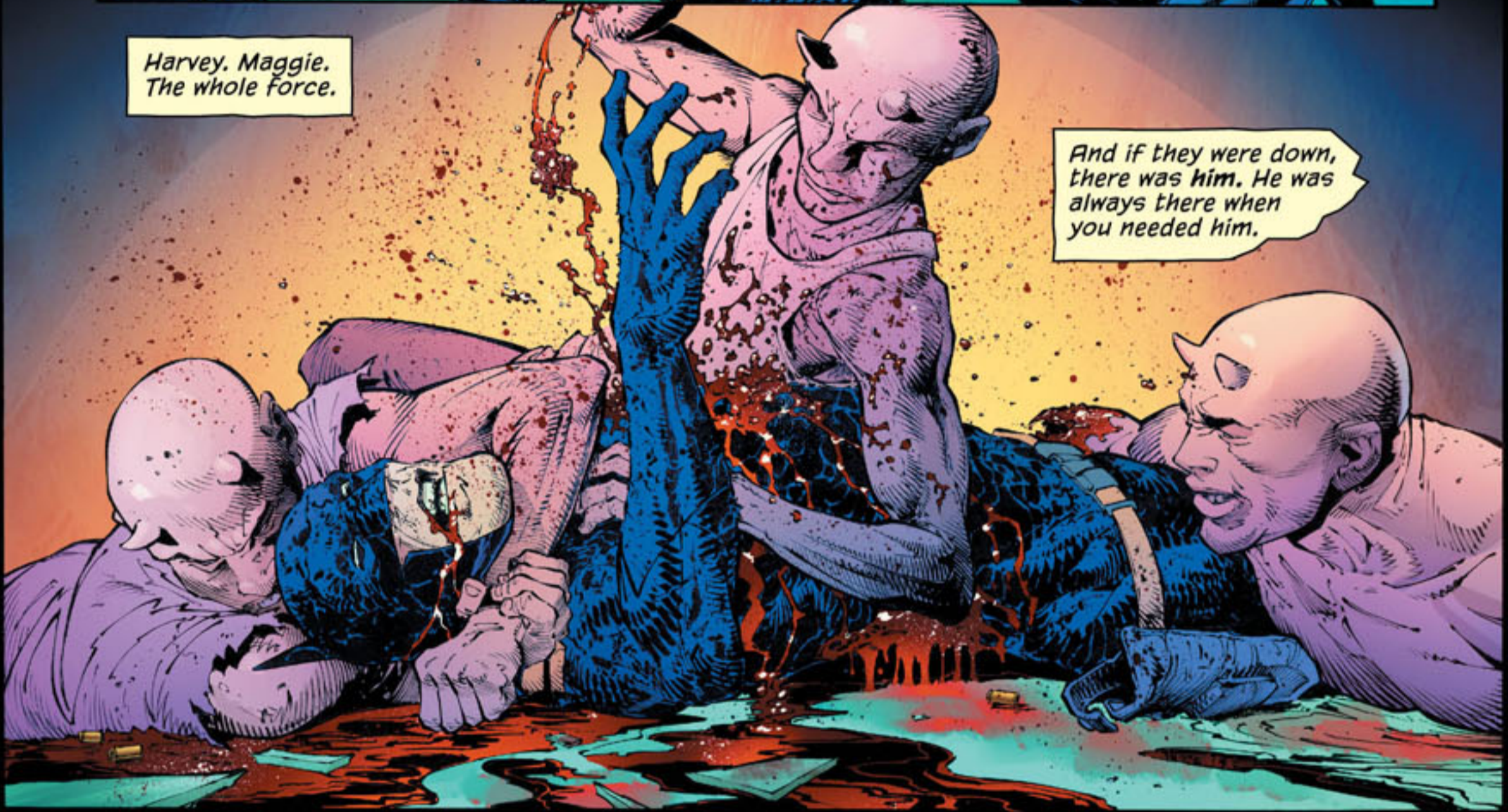
Striking as a team.



Someone always watching for the cheap shot.



There to help  
when things get...  
critical.



Harvey. Maggie.  
The whole force.

And if they were down,  
there was him. He was  
always there when  
you needed him.



But guess what, when  
you're Batman...

...when you're *Batman*,  
Batman doesn't come  
save you.



Or does  
he?



SHE'S SAFE WITH US. LISTEN, BATMAN, I WAS JOKING, BUT YOUR VITALS... YOU'RE IN TROUBLE. NOW THE SUIT WILL COME TO YOU. JUST PLEASE, STAY VERY STILL AND--



I'M HERE TO PICK UP SOME CANNED TUNA?



=>Cough<- THAT WOULD BE ME.

JULIA, SHE--



WAIT, WHO'S DRIVING THE SUIT?