

# INFAMOUS IRON MAN

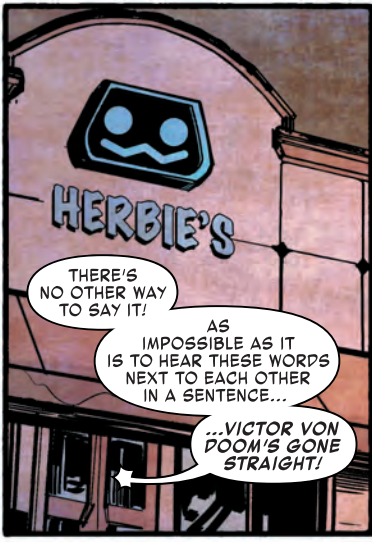


Victor Von Doom has lived a lifetime of devious infamy as Doctor Doom—but recent events, including the sudden, almost fatal incapacitation of Tony Stark, A.K.A. Iron Man, have inspired Doom to dedicate his life to more heroic pursuits...as the **INFAMOUS IRON MAN**.

Victor recently discovered that his mother, the dark arts master Cynthia Von Doom, was not dead as he had believed. She claimed she wanted to rekindle their relationship now that Victor was turning over a new leaf—but there's a dark version of Reed Richards whispering in her ear at every turn, and his intentions are still unknown.

Meanwhile, a S.H.I.E.L.D. operation led by Ben Grimm, A.K.A. the Thing, continues to pursue Victor, believing his motives for taking out a number of other dangerous villains to be less than honorable.

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THERE'S NO OTHER WAY TO SAY IT!

AS IMPOSSIBLE AS IT IS TO HEAR THESE WORDS NEXT TO EACH OTHER IN A SENTENCE...

...VICTOR VON DOOM'S GONE STRAIGHT!



VICTOR VON DOOM?

THE DOCTOR DOOM, OF DOCTOR DOOM FAME?

THIS GUY I COULD SEE DOING THAT.

HEY!



WE KNOW YOU'RE NOT, WIZARD.

BUT IF THERE WAS ONE THING IN THIS @##@# WORLD THAT YOU COULD COUNT ON, IT WAS DOOM ALWAYS BEING DOOM.





BUT DOOM?

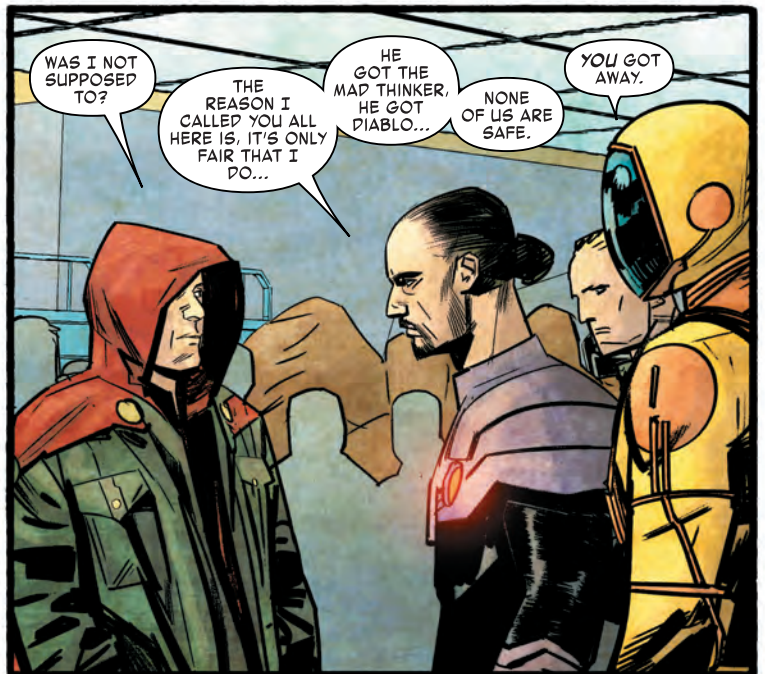
THE DOCTOR POOM?

YEAH, HE JUST SAID.

GUYS, I'M NOT--I'M NOT LYING.



HEY, HOOP, YOU GOT MY MESSAGE, TOO?



WAS I NOT SUPPOSED TO?

THE REASON I CALLED YOU ALL HERE IS, IT'S ONLY FAIR THAT I DO...

HE GOT THE MAD THINKER, HE GOT DIABLO...

NONE OF US ARE SAFE.

YOU GOT AWAY.



I WOULD LOVE TO WEAR THAT AROUND, BUT I--I WAS LUCKY.



WE SAW THE FOOTAGE.



DOOM HAS ALL HIS TECH, ALL OF STARK'S TECH, AND HE HAS ALL THAT BLACK MAGIC VOODOO HOODOO HE ALWAYS HAD.

PLUS, HE'S PICKING US OFF SO EASILY BECAUSE HE KNOWS A LOT OF OUR SECRETS!

ALL THESE YEARS, ALL THE TEAM-UPS, PLOTTIN' AND PLANNIN' TOGETHER.

HE KNOWS WHERE ALL THE BODIES ARE BURIED. HE KNOWS WHERE WE LIVE!



THIS-- THIS IS IT! THIS IS OUR WORST NIGHTMARE.

YOU KNOW, I ALWAYS GOT THE FEELING HE WAS A LITTLE JEALOUS OF ME--

I'M LEAVING THE COUNTRY.

OH, MY GOD!



WHAT THE @##@ HAPPENED TO YOU GUYS?

UH, I'D LIKE TO HEAR MORE ABOUT WHY DOOM TURNED.

OH MAN, WHO THE @##@ CARES?!

WE, US, AS A GROUP-- WE HAVE TO WHACK HIM.

TODAY.

TONIGHT.

THAT'S IT.



EXACTLY!

WHAT?

THE HELL IF I'M GOING TO WAIT AROUND FOR CRAZY TO COME TO MY FRONT DOOR.

LET'S PUT HIM DOWN NOW.

HA!



YOU NEVER LEARN, ROBBINS.

YOU ALWAYS WANT TO JUMP IN AND TRY TO MAKE A NAME FOR YOURSELF.

JIGSAW, BUBBIE, BABY, LISTEN...



YOU WERE WITH ME A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO WHEN WE TRIED TO ORGANIZE THIS BUNCH INTO SOMETHING WORTH A DAMN.



YOU WERE ALL IN.

AND THEN I REMEMBERED YOU CAN'T TEACH CATS TO TYPE AND YOU CAN'T MAKE A BUNCH OF CRIMINALS INTO A RESPECTABLE ORGANIZATION.



WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT RESPECTABLE? I SAID PROFITABLE.

AND I'M THINKING MAYBE MY IDEA OF ORGANIZATION WAS JUST A SCOTCH AHEAD OF ITS TIME.



MAYBE THIS IS THE KIND OF THING THAT COULD PUT US BACK ON THE REP MAP.

AND THEN, BOOM, GUYS LIKE MR. NEGATIVE AND THE BLACK CAT AND EVERYONE ELSE TRYING TO TAKE SOME OF THE KINGPIN'S TERRITORY WILL HAVE TO ANSWER TO US FIRST...



...BECAUSE WE HAVE THE FIREPOWER, WE HAVE THE GUTS!

DAMN STRAIGHT.

AND WE'RE THE ONES THAT TOOK OUT DOCTOR DOOM.



YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT...

...THE FANTASTIC FOUR COULDN'T DO IT, NONE OF THOSE SPIDER-MEN COULD DO IT, WE DID IT.

US.

WHO WOULD @### WITH US AFTER WE KILL DOCTOR--?

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