





THE LIGHTS WERE OVER HERE!



OH WOW, IT'S A GUY!

HE LOOKS LIKE AN ASTRONAUT!

WHO IS... THAT... WHAT...



ASTO-NOK?

BUT NO SPACESHIP-- HE MUST HAVE COME OUT OF A VORTEX!

I'M GOING TO CALL JONNY AND HADJI. WE'RE SUPPOSED TO LET DR. QUEST KNOW IF ONE OF THOSE OPENED UP AGAIN.

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DAD!
RACE!

I'M
GETTING
AN ALERT
FROM TODD
IN THE LOST
VALLEY!

HE
SAYS HE
JUST SAW
A VORTEX
OPEN!
MAYBE
TWO!

THIS STORY TAKES PLACE TWO
MONTHS AFTER THE EVENTS OF
FUTURE QUEST #12-- MARIE



STRANGE.
MY DETECTION
SYSTEM
SHOULD HAVE
SIGNALLED ANY
VORTICES.

WE HAVE
TO CHECK IT
OUT, RIGHT?
TODD KNOWS
WHAT THE ENERGY
EFFECT LOOKS
LIKE.

YOU BET
WE DO, HADJI.
CONSIDERING WHAT
CAME THROUGH
THE LAST TIME,
WE TAKE NO
CHANCES.



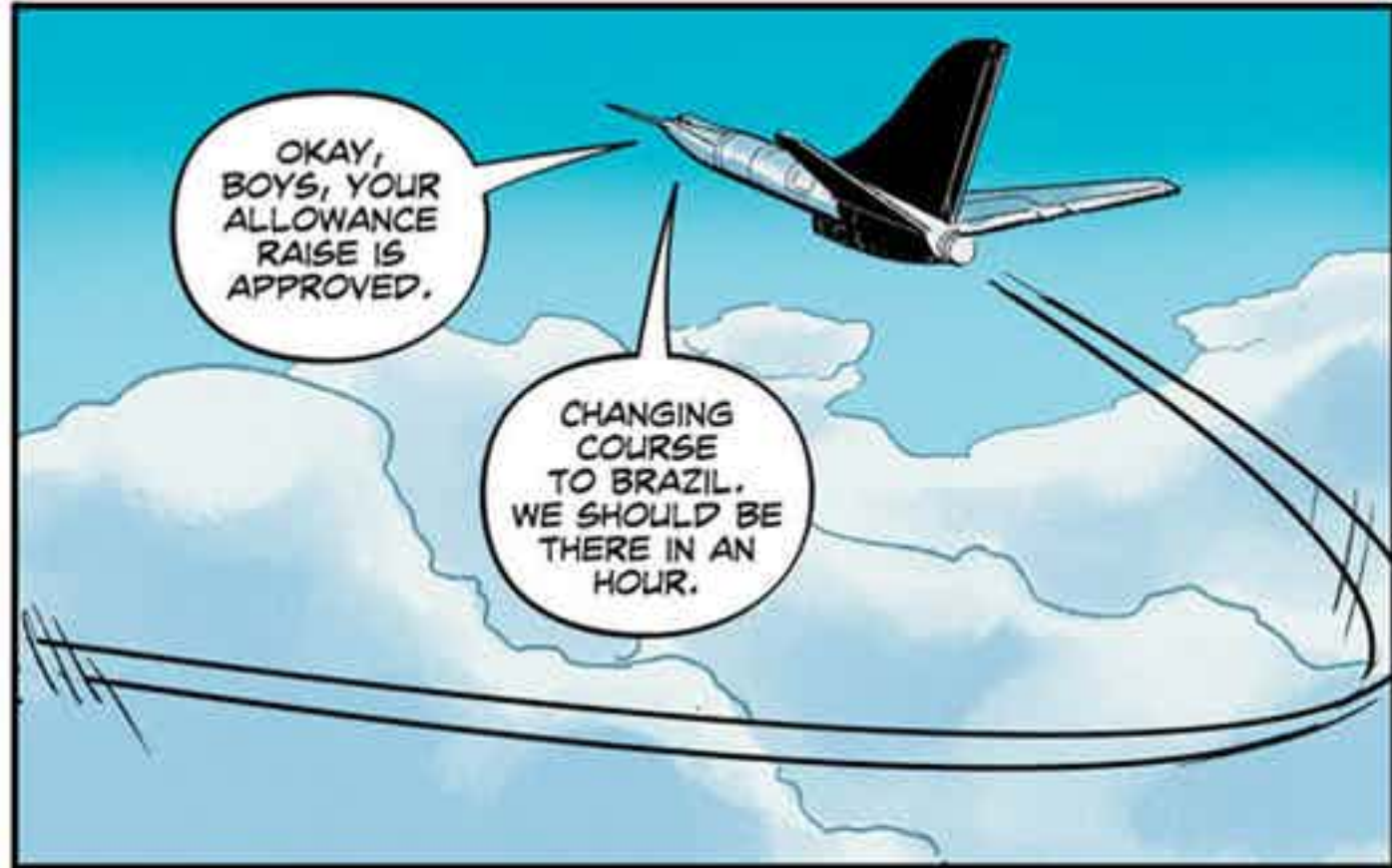
AGREED. THE
WHOLE AREA OF
THE LOST VALLEY IS
PRONE TO INCURSIONS
BECAUSE TIME/SPACE
IS PERMANENTLY
COMPROMISED
THERE.

AND TODD
SHOULDN'T
STILL BE OUT
THERE, ANYWAY.
HE KEEPS
ELUDING PEOPLE
SENT TO BRING
HIM IN.



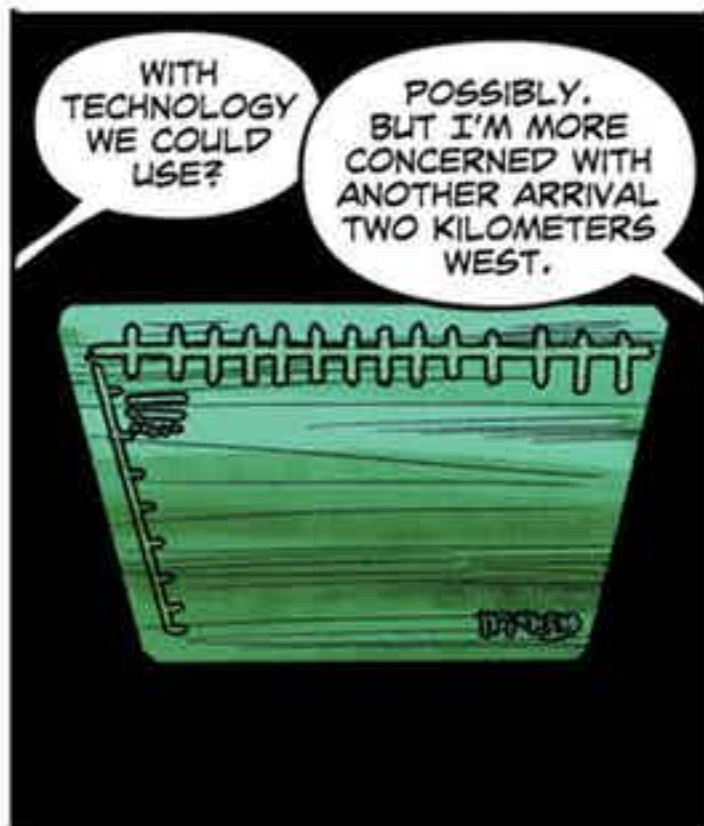
HE'S STILL TRYING
TO FIND HIS PARENTS.
THEY'RE SEPARATED
BY THE TIME
EFFECT.

WE WOULD
NEVER STOP
LOOKING
FOR YOU
EITHER.



OKAY,
BOYS, YOUR
ALLOWANCE
RAISE IS
APPROVED.

CHANGING
COURSE
TO BRAZIL.
WE SHOULD BE
THERE IN AN
HOUR.





WHRRRRRRR

WHO'S THAT?!
KWESTA!

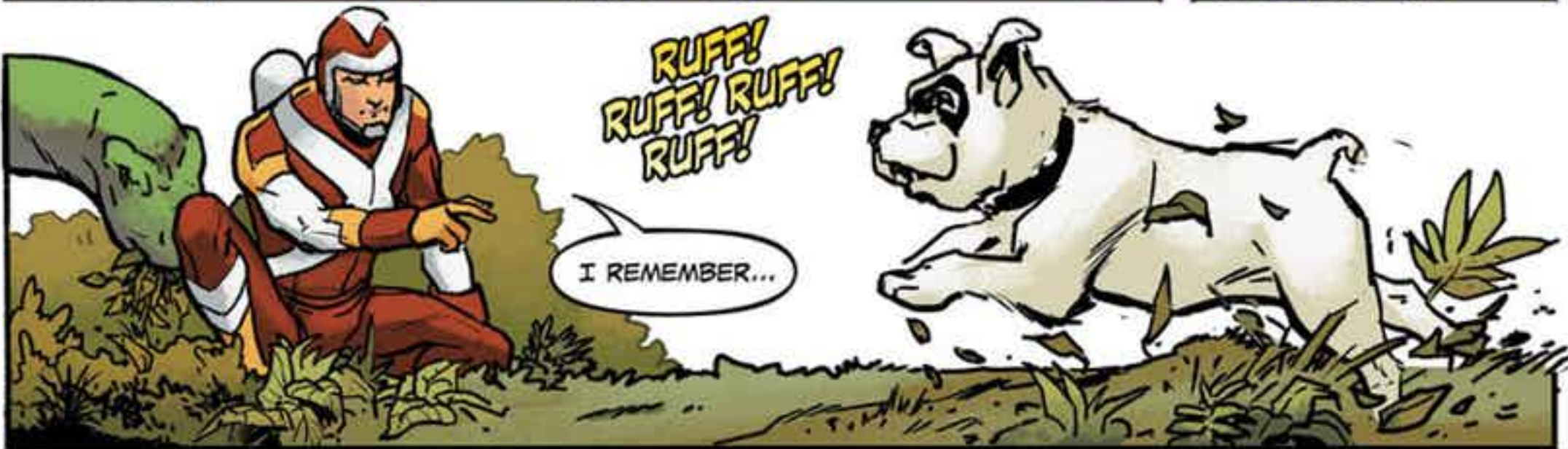
DON'T WORRY. THEY'RE FRIENDS!



BANDIT! THERE'S ALL KINDS OF THINGS THAT WILL EAT YOU HERE!

JONNY! WAIT!

RAT TRAP



RUFF!
RUFF! RUFF!
RUFF!

I REMEMBER...



YOU'LL NEVER TAKE ME ALIVE, FREDIZZOR!

ROWR!
ROWR!



ARE YOU OKAY, SIR?

MORE IMPORTANT-- ARE YOU FROM OUTER SPACE?

GNAW
GNAW



I DON'T THINK SO... I DON'T KNOW WHY I'M WEARING ALL THIS...

YOU CAME THROUGH A VORTEX. WE'VE SEEN OTHER TRAVELERS HAVE THEIR MEMORIES AFFECTED.

BENTON QUEST.



MY SONS HADJI AND JONNY, AND SPECIAL AGENT RACE BANNON.

HI!

GOOD AFTERNOON!

HMM.



YOU MET TODD AND UG ALREADY.

KUNA LA, BAN-DAT.

YEAH, STILL PROCESSING SEEING A LIVING NEANDERTHAL.

BUT MORE CONFUSING IS...

...WHO AM I?



"A PROTON WEAPON. PROPULSION PACK, WAY AHEAD OF EVEN MY TECH."



SO, I COULD BE FROM THE FUTURE?

I DON'T FEEL LIKE I'M FROM THE FUTURE.

THE FUTURE?! COOL!

DO THEY HAVE FLYING CARS THERE? ROBOT BUTLERS?

PFFT. THE PAST IS WHERE IT'S AT.



I RECENTLY HAD THE CHANCE TO SEE TECHNOLOGY FROM ANOTHER PLANET, AND YOUR SUIT REMINDS ME OF THAT.*

*SPACE GHOST'S PHANTOM CRUISER, IN FUTURE QUEST VOLUME II --Marie



YIPE



BRAF! BRAF!

STAY, BOY! IT'LL PINCH YOUR TAIL OFF!



WISH I COULD REPLICATE THIS STRANGE POLYMER...



STRANGE...?



STRANGE!

THAT'S ME!

MY NAME IS ADAM STRANGE!



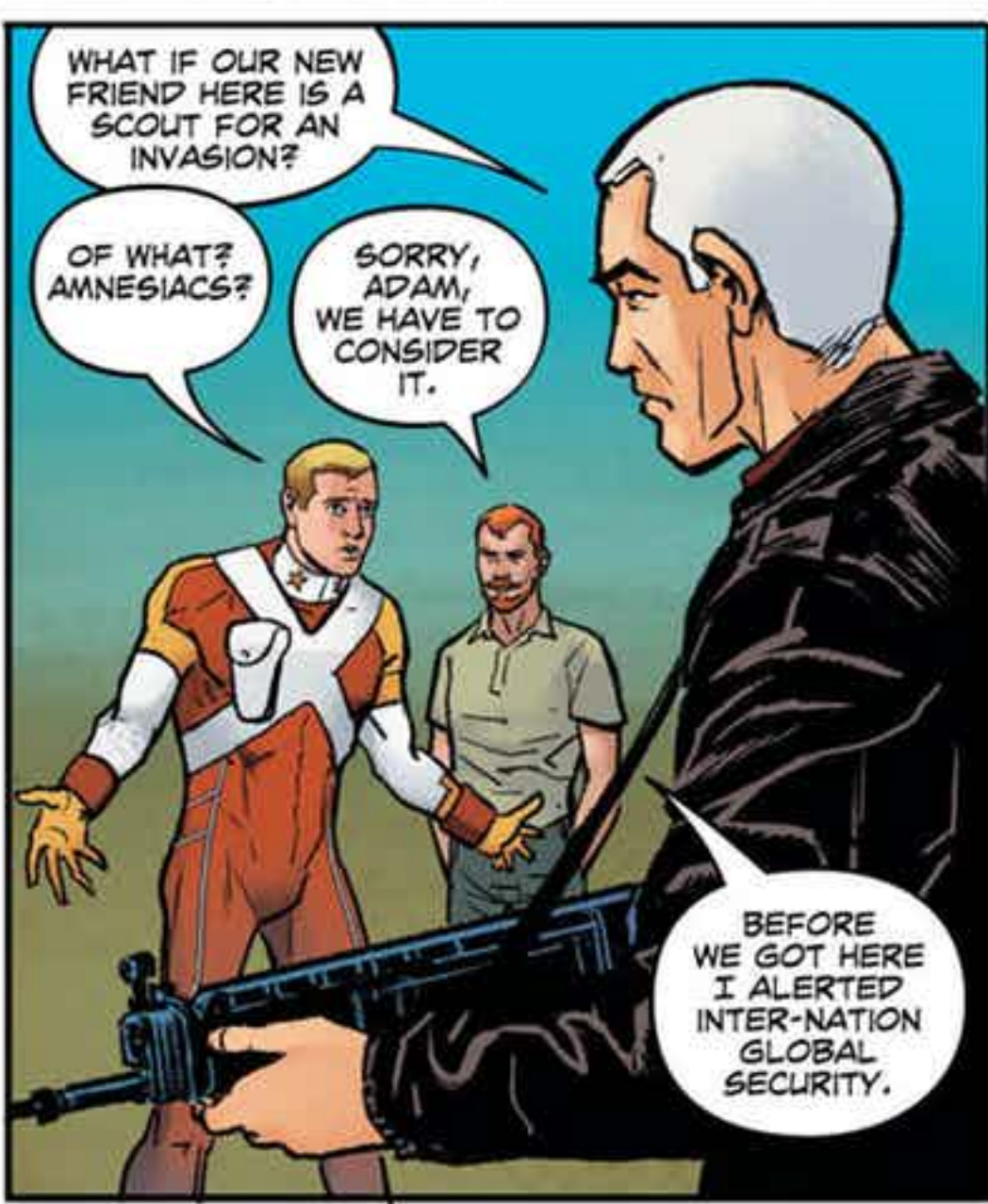
SO MANY IMAGES... FRAGMENTS... OF WHAT?

...A LAUGHING MADMAN... SO MUCH DEATH... AN ARMY... I...



IT'S OKAY, ADAM. DON'T PUSH YOURSELF. THE MEMORIES SEEM TO BE A MISPLACED FILE ON YOUR MAINFRAME.

I KNOW, DR. QUEST, BUT IF THESE BITS ARE SO HORRIBLE, DO I REALLY WANT TO REMEMBER?



WHAT IF OUR NEW FRIEND HERE IS A SCOUT FOR AN INVASION?

OF WHAT? AMNESIACS?

SORRY, ADAM, WE HAVE TO CONSIDER IT.

BEFORE WE GOT HERE I ALERTED INTER-NATION GLOBAL SECURITY.



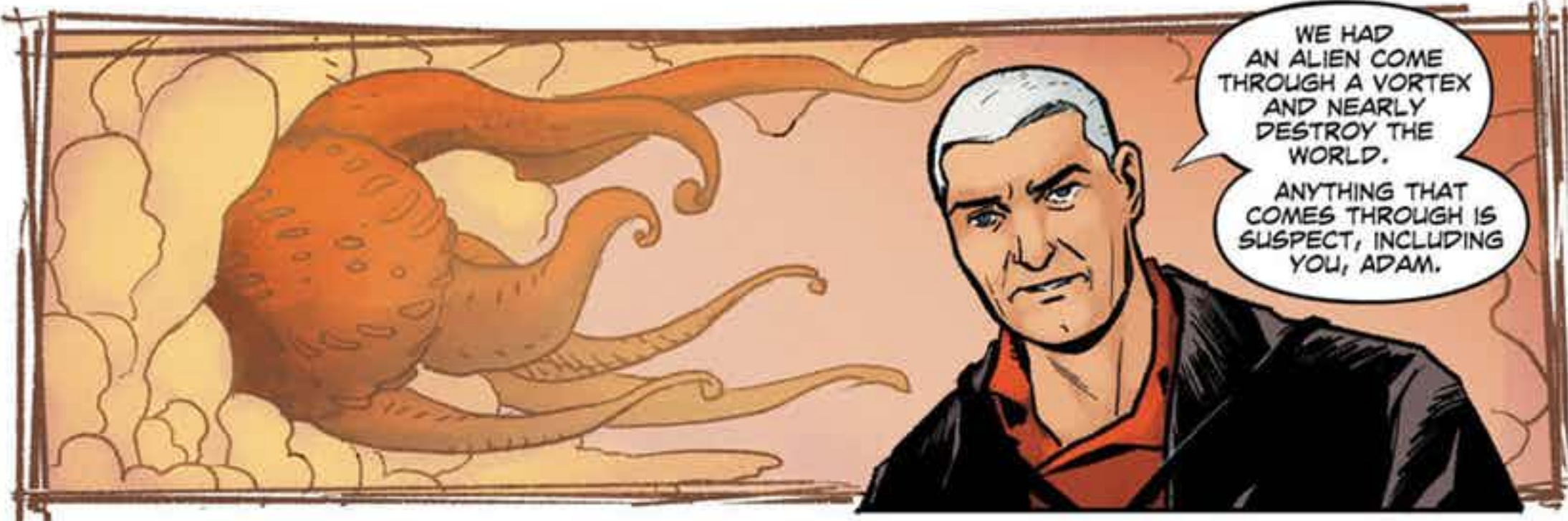
THEY'RE ALREADY SENDING AN AGENT.

YOU CAN HANG ON TO MY RAY GUN!

I KNOW I'M NOT HERE WITH MALICIOUS INTENT.

HE MEANS 'PULLING SOMETHING SNEAKY.'

WE KNOW.



WE HAD AN ALIEN COME THROUGH A VORTEX AND NEARLY DESTROY THE WORLD. ANYTHING THAT COMES THROUGH IS SUSPECT, INCLUDING YOU, ADAM.



WE STILL DON'T HAVE A GOOD MONITORING SYSTEM FOR VORTEX ACTIVITY. WE CAN'T DEPEND ON TODD SEEING THEM ALL.

SPEAKING OF--WHEN WE LEAVE... YOU'RE COMING WITH US THIS TIME.

I CAN'T!



I KNOW YOU WANT TO FIND YOUR PARENTS, LAD, BUT THE LOST VALLEY IS TOO DANGEROUS--

IT'S NOT THAT, DR. QUEST!

THE LAST INTER-NATION LADY TRIED TO TAKE ME OUT OF HERE--IT DOESN'T LET ME LEAVE!



IF I TRY TO LEAVE THE VALLEY, I POP UP IN ANOTHER PART OF IT.

WHAT?

HUNA. MELE TI GA.



UG HEARS SOMETHING-- HE'S NEVER WRONG ABOUT THIS.

HE'S KEPT YOU ALIVE OUT HERE. I'LL TRUST HIM.

YOU CAN TRUST ME, TOO. (I THINK.)

RRRRRRRRRR



GRUNK!

YOW!

FORGET WHAT I SAID BEFORE, I'M HANGING ONTO MY RAY GUN.

HOW DID ALL THESE BRUTES GET THE DROP ON US?



BECAUSE THEY'RE BEING COORDINATED.

DIFFERENT SPECIES FROM DIFFERENT TIMES WOULDN'T HUNT TOGETHER OTHERWISE.

ALWAYS SHARP, DR. QUEST.



AN AGENT OF F.E.A.R.!

THANKS FOR REMEMBERING US, BANNON.

THOUGH TIME ITSELF FORGOT US ALL.



WE WERE SENT HERE, WHERE YOUR ENEMY DR. ZIN PREDICTED THE MASSIVE VORTEX EVENT WOULD TOUCH DOWN.

THOSE OF US ON THE GROUND WERE LOCKED TO THIS PLACE... AN EVER-SHIFTING PRISON OF PREHISTORY.

WE STILL HAVE ZIN'S NEURAL CONTROL PODS OR WE'D HAVE BEEN EATEN MONTHS AGO.



BUT YOU ENTERED THROUGH A VORTEX-- AND I THINK THAT'S THE ONLY WAY WE CAN ESCAPE.

SO YOU'RE GOING TO OPEN ANOTHER ONE.

LOOK, LADY, I JUST NOW REMEMBERED MY NAME.

I'VE ONLY BEEN HERE A SHORT TIME BUT I'VE HEARD THE STORIES. NIGHTS LIKE THIS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE A PRETTY NORMAL OCCURRENCE.



SHE RUNS, HE CHASES. I IMAGINE IT'S THEIR IDEA OF FOREPLAY.



IN MY OLD NEIGHBORHOOD, IT WAS DINNER AND A MOVIE, BUT THIS ISN'T MY OLD NEIGHBORHOOD.



HELL, THIS ISN'T EVEN MY WORLD.

AND I NORMALLY DON'T DINE IN ESTABLISHMENTS LIKE THIS.



WHERE'S CATWOMAN?!

UFF!



TELL ME! IF YOU'RE HIDING HER I'LL...



WAIT. WHAT? THIS COSTUME, IT'S SOME SORT OF JOKE.

TOP CAT IN OUT OF THE ALLEY

A JOKE?
PRETTY FUNNY
COMING FROM A
GUY DRESSED IN
SPANDEX AND
A COWL.

NOW GRANTED,
I'M A LITTLE DOWN
ON MY LUCK, BUT I
ALWAYS TRY AND
LOOK MY BEST.

YOU'RE NOT
FROM AROUND
HERE.

GOT THAT
RIGHT, AND IF
YOU'RE THE
OFFICIAL WELCOME
WAGON, YOU
SUCK AT IT.

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