

**EL PASO, TEXAS.**

**A HIDDEN LAB OWNED BY KORD INDUSTRIES...**

...I DON'T GET IT, TERI. HOW IS THIS THING GOING TO HELP YOU TRAVEL THROUGH TIME?

YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO GET IT, JAIME. IT'S 31ST CENTURY TECHNOLOGY--

--OR AS CLOSE TO IT AS I CAN GET IN THIS PRIMITIVE ERA--

--AND IT'S WAY OVER YOUR HEAD.

I'M NOT STUPID, Y'KNOW!

OF COURSE NOT!

WAIT A MINUTE! THAT'S NOT--

I'M NOT SAYING THAT YOU ARE--BUT COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE INTRICACIES OF A SMART-PHONE FROM A THOUSAND YEARS AGO?

AND THERE YOU HAVE IT!

LOOK, EVEN IN OUR CENTURY, TERI WAS CONSIDERED A MEGA-GENIUS. Y'THINK I UNDERSTAND HOW THIS GIZMO WORKS?

NO WAY! BUT I KNOW ONE THING--





--IF YOU DON'T SUPPLY THE RAW ENERGY WE NEED T'FUEL THE POWER COUPLER AND GET TERI'S COSMIC TREADMILL UP AND RUNNING--

YOU SOUND SO DESPERATE, TINA.

--WE'RE NEVER GONNA GET BACK HOME!

BECAUSE I AM.

LOOK, WE'VE REALLY ENJOYED WORKING WITH YOU AND KORD... GETTING TO KNOW MILAGRO AND YOUR MOM 'N' DAD--

--BUT WE DIDN'T ASK T'COME HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE, AND WE'VE GOT GOOD FRIENDS THAT NEED US--

--BACK IN THE FUTURE.

BUT I'M STILL NOT SURE WHY YOU DON'T ASK TED TO--

STOP ASKING QUESTIONS, KID, AND GET READY TO USE THAT SCARAB OF YOURS TO BLAST THIS THING.

ONCE I SUPER-SPEED UP THE TREADMILL UP TO MAXIMUM CHRONOSITY, YOU'RE GOING TO PUSH THE TACHYON LEVEL OVER THE THRESHOLD. AND PUSH US--

RUMMMMMMMMM

--RIGHT INTO THE 31ST CENTURY!

BUT WHAT IF--

"WHAT IF" WHAT?

WHAT IF I DON'T WANT YOU TO GO?

THAT'S SWEET, KID. IT REALLY IS. BUT AS I EXPLAINED TO YOU BACK AT YOUR HOUSE--



--THE SITUATION IN THE 31ST IS DESPERATE. AN INTERGALACTIC CONQUEROR NAMED LADY STYX HAS TAKEN OVER THE EARTH--

THE WHOLE PLANET?

EVERY INCH OF IT. AND SHE'S MURDERED MOST OF THE JUSTICE LEAGUE.



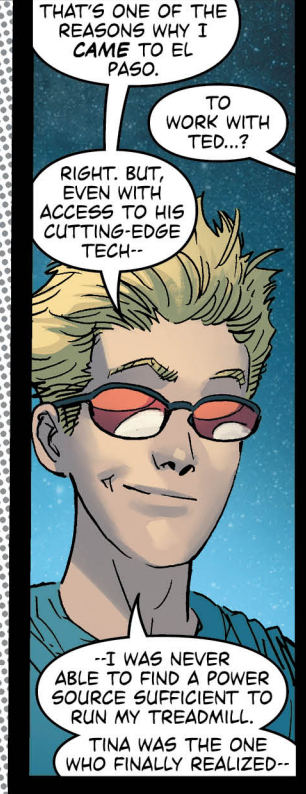
YOUR JUSTICE LEAGUE, RIGHT? THE ONE THAT WAS RESURRECTED USING THE DNA OF THE LEAGUE FROM OUR CENTURY...?

AND YOU AND TINA... YOU WERE BOTH BORN IN THE 31ST CENTURY, RIGHT?

IT'S A LITTLE MORE... COMPLICATED THAN THAT.

WE PICKED UP A FEW OTHER SURVIVORS ALONG THE WAY.

LOOK, I CAN'T STAND HERE AND GIVE YOU A PLOT SYNOPSIS. I'VE BEEN TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER THE TECH TO GET HOME SINCE LADY STYX BLASTED US BACK HERE.



THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS WHY I CAME TO EL PASO.

TO WORK WITH TED...?

RIGHT. BUT, EVEN WITH ACCESS TO HIS CUTTING-EDGE TECH--

--I WAS NEVER ABLE TO FIND A POWER SOURCE SUFFICIENT TO RUN MY TREADMILL. TINA WAS THE ONE WHO FINALLY REALIZED--



--THAT MY POWER SOURCE HAD BEEN STANDING IN FRONT OF ME THE WHOLE TIME.

THE SCARAB.



"YOU AND THE SCARAB TOGETHER, JAIME. ITS RAW ENERGY, YOUR FIERCE WILL."

"SO WHADDAYA SAY, KID? WILL YOU DO IT?"



...JAIME--WOULD YOUR FRIEND LIKE TO STAY FOR DINNER?

JAIME...?

SHE CAN'T STAY, MOM. AND, ACTUALLY--

"--NEITHER CAN I!"

...SNAP OUT OF IT, REYES! TACHYON LEVELS ARE THROUGH THE ROOF! WE NEED YOU T'GIVE IT EVERYTHING YOU'VE GOT!

OF COURSE WE'RE WALKING INTO A DEATH TRAP! THAT'S THE WHOLE POINT!

NOW STOP BLATHERING LIKE AN IDIOT AND GIVE US SOME BLUE BEETLE-JUICE--

--NOW!

OKAY, SCARAB--LET'S DO THIS!

I RECOMMEND CAUTION. THAT DEVICE IS HIGHLY UNSTABLE AND--

I SAID--LET 'ER RIP!

BUT... BUT IF WHAT TERI TOLD ME IS TRUE, YOU TWO COULD BE WALKING INTO A DEATH TRAP!

KRAKADA--

SHAWNOON!

HOLY CRAP!

TERI! JAIME! ARE YOU OKAY?

GUYS...?

"I DON'T UNDERSTAND."

W-WE WERE SUPPOSED TO REACH TACHYON PEAK...YOU'D SUPPLY THE NECESSARY POWER BOOST--

--THEN TINA WOULD JOIN ME ON THE TREADMILL AND--

UH-UH. BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT HAPPENED, IS IT?

AND WE'RE NOT IN MY CENTURY ANYMORE, ARE WE?

NO. THIS IS PARADISE ISLAND.

OR AT LEAST IT WAS PARADISE ONCE. BUT NOW--

--IT'S HELL.

I...I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT I'M SEEING.

BELIEVE IT, KID.

Blue Beetle II

# ENDGAME!

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