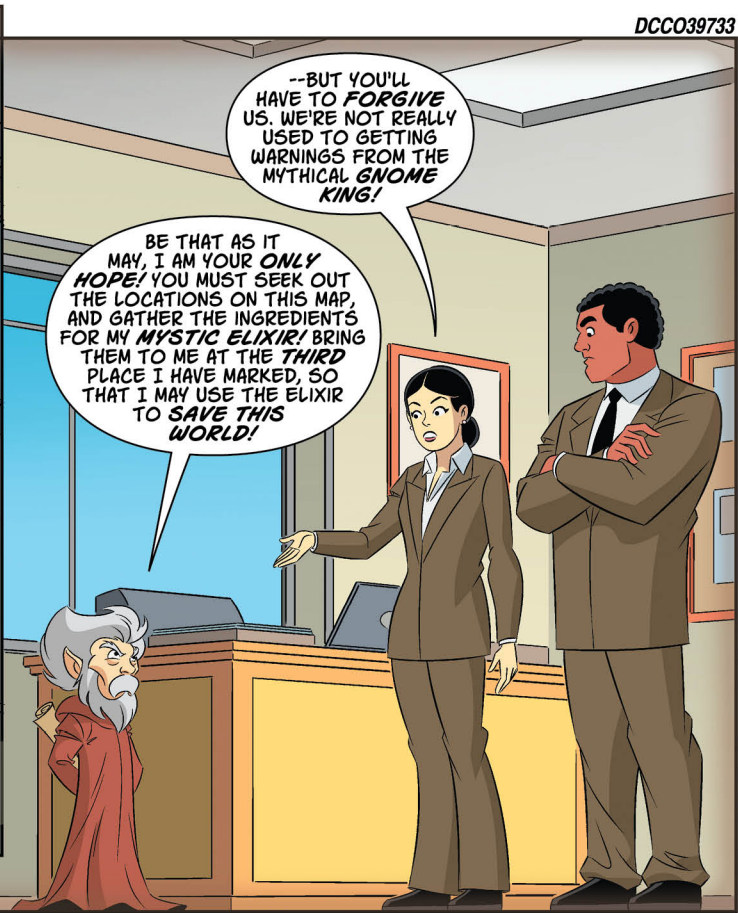




"HERE AT FEMA, WE GET **EMERGENCY CALLS** EVERY DAY. BUT THIS ONE WAS **DIFFERENT...**"

YOU MUST **ACT SWIFTLY!** THIS WORLD FACES **GREAT PERIL!**

I **UNDERSTAND** THAT--

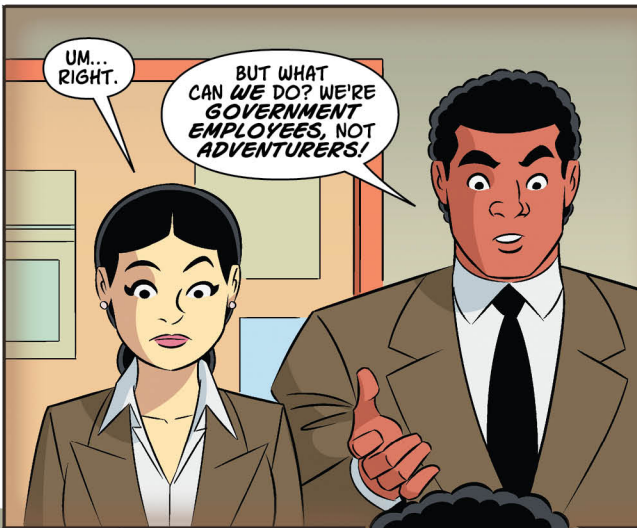


--BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO **FORGIVE** US. WE'RE NOT REALLY USED TO GETTING WARNINGS FROM THE **MYTHICAL GNOME KING!**

BE THAT AS IT MAY, I AM YOUR **ONLY HOPE!** YOU MUST SEEK OUT THE LOCATIONS ON THIS MAP, AND GATHER THE INGREDIENTS FOR MY **MYSTIC ELIXIR!** BRING THEM TO ME AT THE **THIRD** PLACE I HAVE MARKED, SO THAT I MAY USE THE ELIXIR TO **SAVE THIS WORLD!**

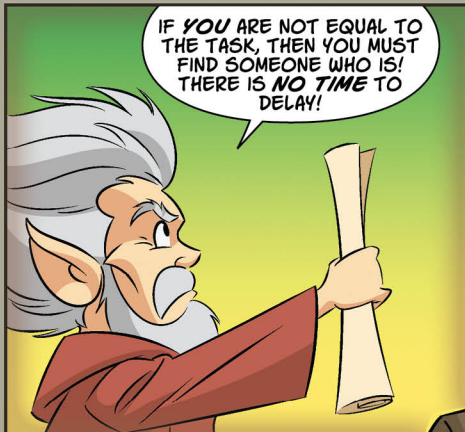


BUT **BEWARE--** THE HIDDEN ELEMENTS ARE GUARDED BY **FEARSOME BEASTS!**



UM... RIGHT.

BUT WHAT CAN **WE** DO? WE'RE **GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES**, NOT **ADVENTURERS!**



IF YOU ARE NOT EQUAL TO THE TASK, THEN YOU MUST FIND SOMEONE WHO IS! THERE IS **NO TIME** TO DELAY!



"SO, FACED WITH A **MYSTERIOUS SUPER-NATURAL MENACE**, WE BOTH KNEW..."

"...THERE WAS **ONLY ONE** TEAM TO CALL!"

BUT,
WELL... THERE WAS A LITTLE
MISUNDERSTANDING.

DID SOMEONE SAY "TEAM"-UP?

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I CALLED
MYSTERY
INC.--

--AND I CALLED
THE CHALLENGERS OF
THE UNKNOWN!





WELL, YOU CAN STOP WORRYING. AND YOU KIDS CAN GO HOME NOW. THE CHALLENGERS WILL HANDLE THIS!

WE'VE DEDICATED OUR LIVES TO SOLVING WEIRD, SUPERNATURAL MYSTERIES.

SO HAVE WE, ACE!

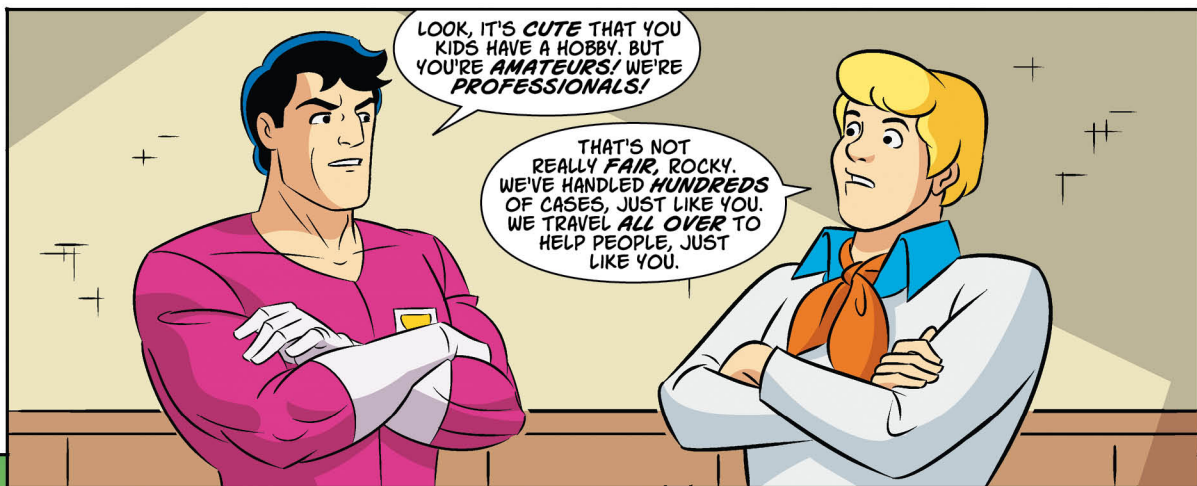


YOU DON'T SAY! IS IT BECAUSE YOU SURVIVED A DEADLY PLANE CRASH LIKE US, AND DECIDED TO KEEP RISKING YOUR LIVES BECAUSE YOU'RE LIVING ON BORROWED TIME ANYWAY?



UH, NO... WE JUST LIKE SOLVING MYSTERIES.

VELMA DOES, ANYWAY. I LIKE HIDING!



LOOK, IT'S CUTE THAT YOU KIDS HAVE A HOBBY. BUT YOU'RE AMATEURS! WE'RE PROFESSIONALS!

THAT'S NOT REALLY FAIR, ROCKY. WE'VE HANDLED HUNDREDS OF CASES, JUST LIKE YOU. WE TRAVEL ALL OVER TO HELP PEOPLE, JUST LIKE YOU.



AND WE HAVE, LIKE, A DOG...

...WELL, NOT LIKE YOU.

ACTUALLY, OUR PET, COSMO, DOES HELP US SOMETIMES.

ROU RHAVE A ROG?



NO, COSMO'S A SUPER-POWERED ALIEN PET.

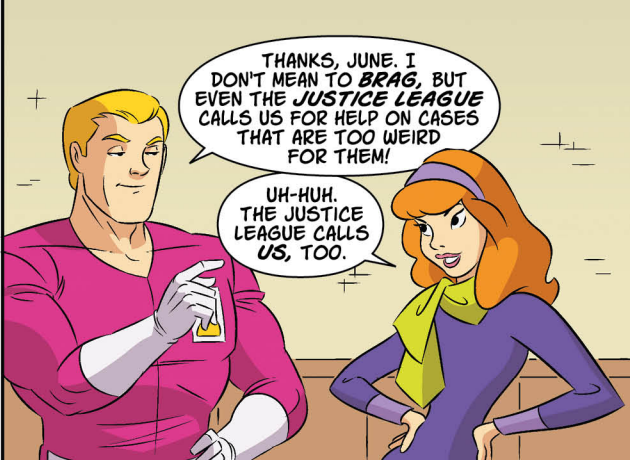
RORRY I RASKED...



MAYBE WE SHOULD JUST WORK TOGETHER...

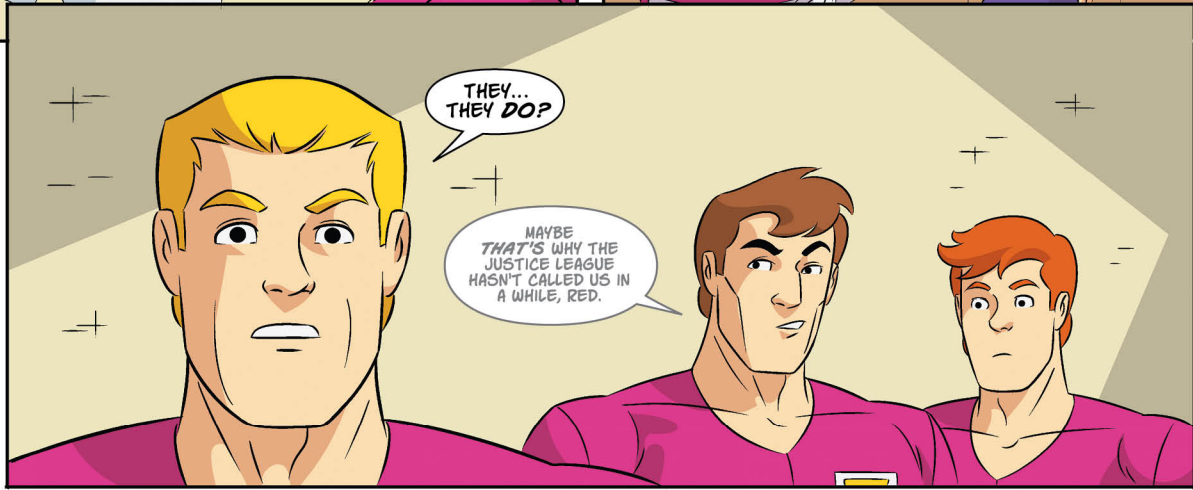
I KNOW YOU MEAN WELL, BUT ACE HAS A POINT.

THIS IS **NO PLACE** FOR KIDS.



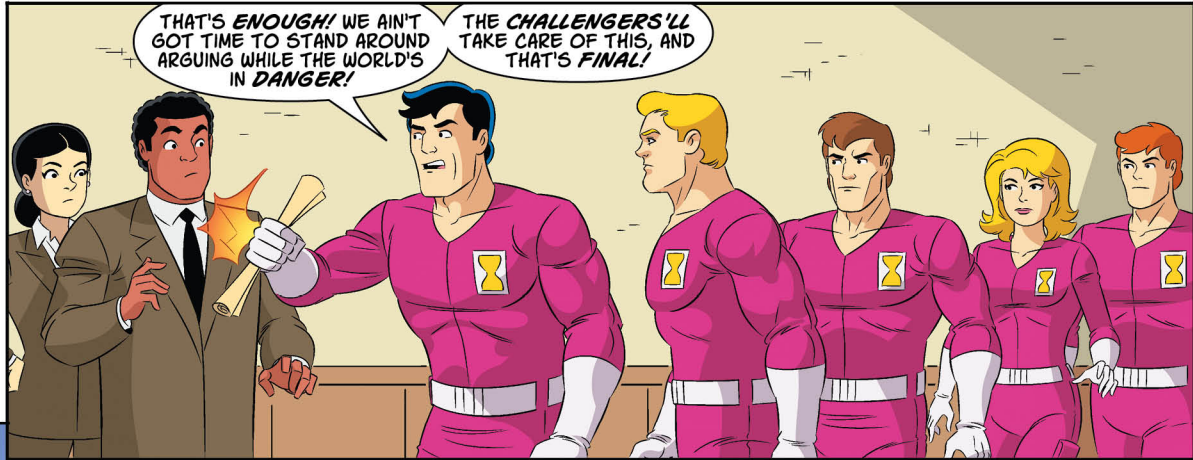
THANKS, JUNE. I DON'T MEAN TO **BRAG**, BUT EVEN THE **JUSTICE LEAGUE** CALLS US FOR HELP ON CASES THAT ARE TOO WEIRD FOR THEM!

UH-HUH. THE **JUSTICE LEAGUE** CALLS US, TOO.



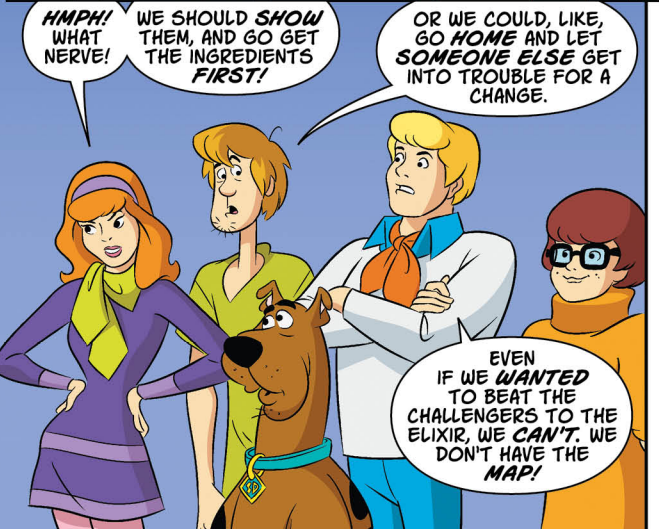
THEY... THEY DO?

MAYBE THAT'S WHY THE **JUSTICE LEAGUE** HASN'T CALLED US IN A WHILE, RED.



THAT'S **ENOUGH!** WE AIN'T GOT TIME TO STAND AROUND ARGUING WHILE THE WORLD'S IN **DANGER!**

THE **CHALLENGERS'LL** TAKE CARE OF THIS, AND THAT'S **FINAL!**

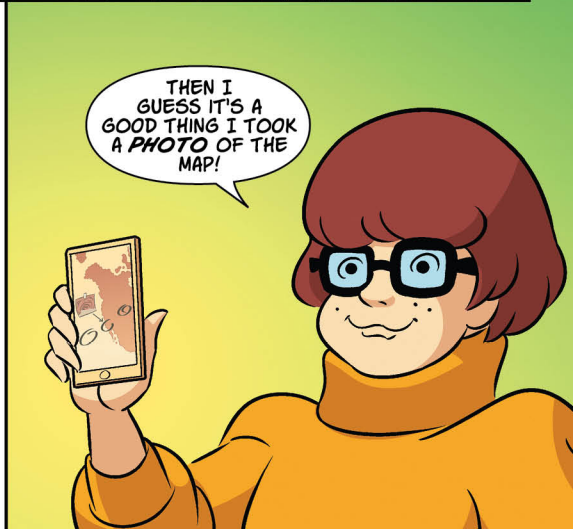


HMPH! WHAT NERVE!

WE SHOULD **SHOW** THEM, AND GO GET THE **INGREDIENTS FIRST!**

OR WE COULD, LIKE, GO **HOME** AND LET **SOMEONE ELSE** GET INTO TROUBLE FOR A CHANGE.

EVEN IF WE **WANTED** TO BEAT THE **CHALLENGERS** TO THE **ELIXIR**, WE **CAN'T**. WE DON'T HAVE THE **MAP!**



THEN I GUESS IT'S A GOOD THING I TOOK A **PHOTO** OF THE **MAP!**



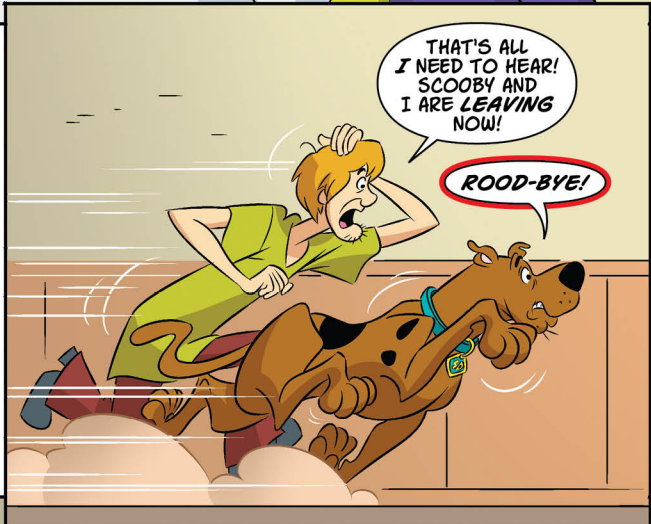
NICE THINKING, VELMA! IF WE HURRY, WE CAN STILL CATCH UP!

I'M NOT SURE IT'S QUITE THAT SIMPLE.

WHY NOT? THE PLACES ARE CLEARLY MARKED ON THE MAP.



YES, BUT LOOK--ONE OF THEM IS IN THE OCEAN, ONE'S IN THE MIDDLE OF A MOUNTAIN RANGE AND THIS ONE LOOKS LIKE IT MIGHT BE IN A CAVE OR SOMETHING.



THAT'S ALL I NEED TO HEAR! SCOOPY AND I ARE LEAVING NOW!

ROOD-BYE!



SORRY, GUYS. WE HAVE TO DO WHAT WE CAN TO HELP.

BESIDES, IF THERE REALLY IS A THREAT TO THE WHOLE WORLD, YOU WOULDN'T BE SAFE AT HOME EITHER.



Y'KNOW, OLD BUDDY, I HATE WHEN FRED MAKES SENSE.