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WHEN SPIDER-MAN DISCREDITED ONE OF HIS STORIES, REPORTER EDDIE BROCK LOST EVERYTHING – EXCEPT A BURNING HATRED FOR THE WALL-CRAWLER. AFTER BONDING WITH A SENTIENT AND AGGRESSIVE ALIEN THAT SHARED A SIMILAR DISDAIN OF SPIDER-MAN, THE TWO BECAME THE WICKED WEB-SLINGER CALLED

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VENOM HAS BEEN DRAFTED INTO A BATTLE AGAINST A MYSTERIOUS EXTRATERRESTRIAL SPECIES CALLED POISONS, WHO HAVE BEEN HUNTING DOWN SYMBIOTIC HEROES AND STEALING THEIR ABILITIES.

WITH THE AID OF DOCTOR STRANGE, CAPTAIN AMERICA FORMED A SMALL RESISTANCE AND SUMMONED HEROIC VENOMS FROM ACROSS THE MULTIVERSE, BUT WAS CAPTURED AND TURNED AFTER A POISON AMBUSH – THE FIRST OF SEVERAL RECENT CASUALTIES, INCLUDING SPIDER-MAN AND DEADPOOL. WITH THEIR NUMBERS DWINDLING AND DOCTOR STRANGE GROWING WEAKER WITH EVERY SUMMONING, THE RESISTANCE MADE A HAIL MARY PLAY AND USED STRANGE'S REMAINING MAGIC TO SUMMON THE SERIAL KILLER CARNAGE.

CARNAGE HAS PROVEN TO BE AN EFFECTIVE WEAPON AGAINST THE POISONS, BUT WASN'T ENOUGH TO STOP THEM FROM KIDNAPPING DOCTOR STRANGE IN THEIR LATEST ASSAULT!

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THEY'RE NEARBY.  
I CAN SMELL THEM.

SYMBIOTES.

IT'S CUTE.  
THEY KEEP HIDING FROM US...AND WE KEEP FINDING THEM.

*SNFF! SFXOX!*



*KRATCH*  
**BEEEL**



**SHWA-BOOM!**



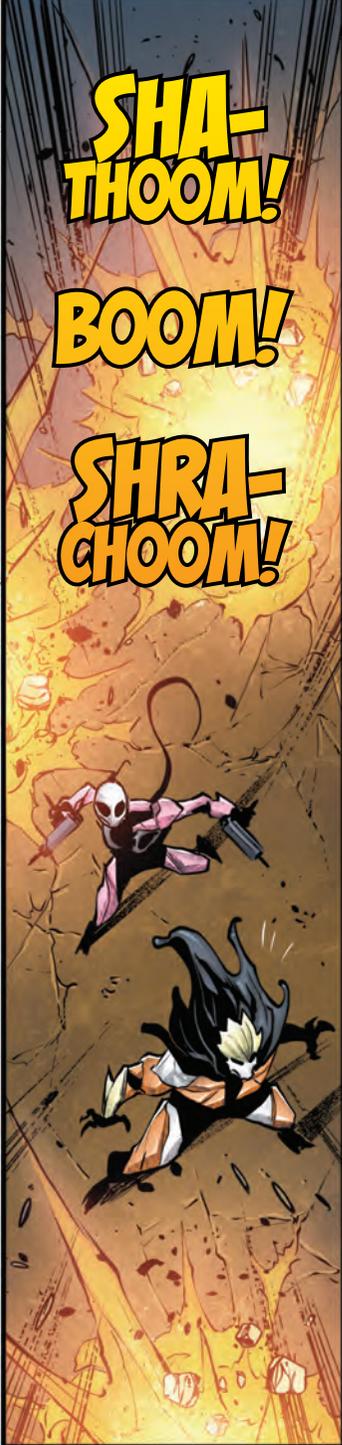
STAY ALERT!  
THEY'VE MINED THE STREETS!

YA THINK?!



WE SURE DID, BONEHEADS!

BET YOU DIDN'T SMELL THAT, DID YOU?



**SHA-THOOM!**

**BOOM!**

**SHRA-CHOOM!**



I'VE GOT HIM!

GONNA TURN HIM INTO ROOFTOP ROADKILL!

**BRAKKA-BRAK-BRAKKA!**



...TOOK EVERYONE FROM ME...

...GAMORA... QUILL...

...EVEN MADE ME KILL GROOT AFTER THEY TURNED 'IM.



THIS ONE'S FOR THE GUARDIANS!

THE RACCOON'S GOT THEM PINNED DOWN...FOCUSED ON HIM.

IF WE'RE GONNA MAKE OUR MOVE, NOW'S THE TIME.

'BOUT TIME!

**ZRAKKOW!  
ZRAK!**

I BEEN ACHIN' FOR A SCRAP!

**SNIKT!**



**RRRAAAGH!**



OH, LOOK!  
OLD MAN RUNT AND HIS GRANDDAUGHTER WANT TO PLAY!



**SHRAKT!**



HHT!

NICE TRY, GIRL.  
YOU HAVE SPIRIT.

WE WILL TAKE THAT FROM YOU, CLAIM IT FOR THE HIVE.



**YEAARRGH!**

YOU WERE ALWAYS A WORTHLESS MONGREL, CREED!

BUT NOT EVEN YOU DESERVE THIS!

WE'RE PUTTING YOU DOWN.

**SLUGGK!**



NEITHER ONE OF YOU COULD TAKE ME DOWN BEFORE!

WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU CAN STOP ME NOW?

DON'T YOU SEE? WE'RE BETTER THAN YOU!

LET'S SEE.

WHICH LITTLE VENOM DO I SHOOT FIRST?



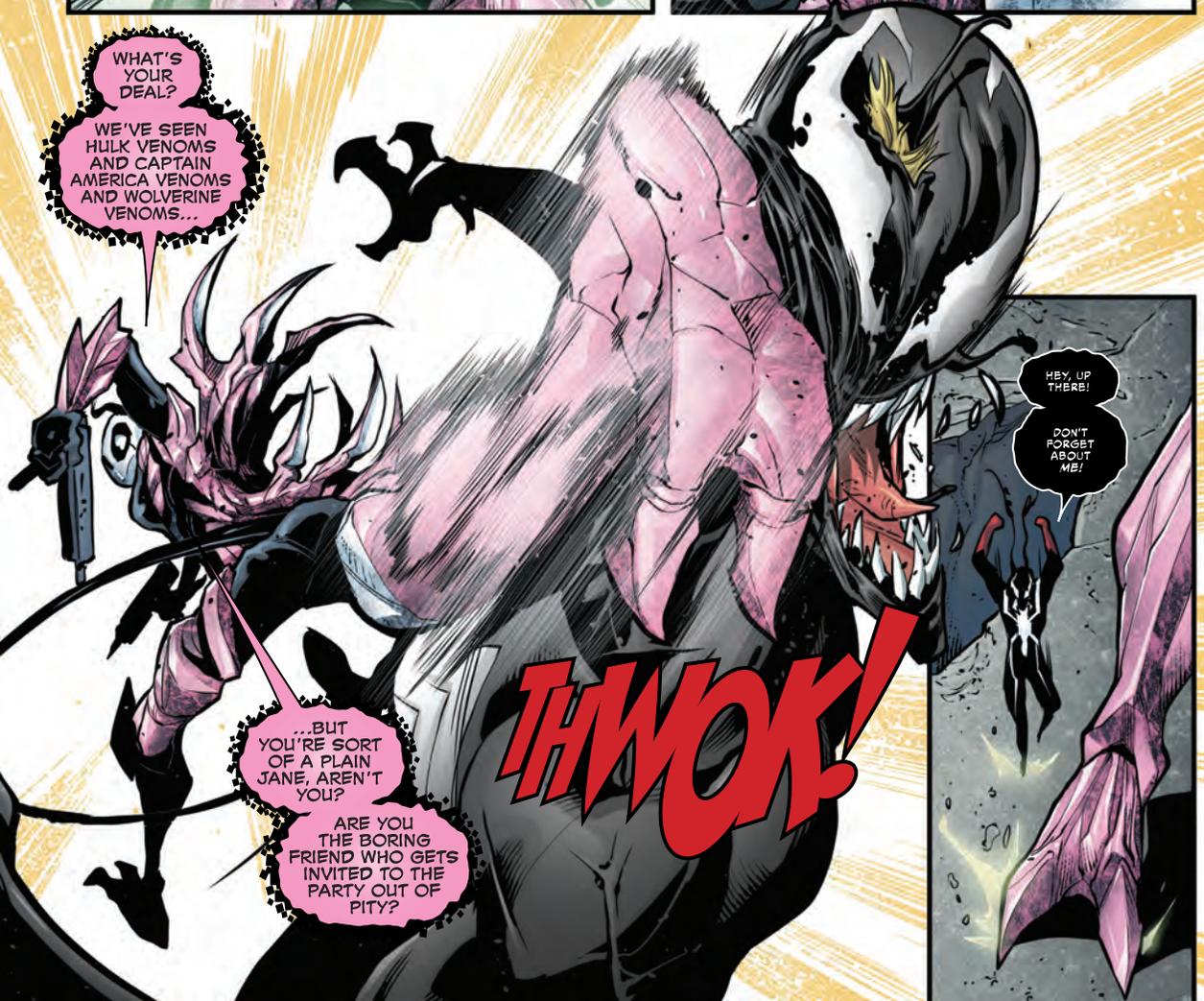
HOW ABOUT NEITHER?

NUH--



GRAAAAGH!

HEY!  
HANDS OFF!



WHAT'S YOUR DEAL?

WE'VE SEEN HULK VENOMS AND CAPTAIN AMERICA VENOMS AND WOLVERINE VENOMS...

...BUT YOU'RE SORT OF A PLAIN JANE, AREN'T YOU?

ARE YOU THE BORING FRIEND WHO GETS INVITED TO THE PARTY OUT OF PITY?

**THWOK!**

HEY UP THERE!

DON'T FORGET ABOUT ME!