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**"PARTNERS  
NO MORE!"**

...THIS IS MY FAVORITE STORY.

STORY?!

POOM IS MERELY RELAYING THE MISSION PROTOCOLS AND UPLOADING PROGRAMMING UPDATES!

TELL US ANOTHER, POOM-HEAD.

PLEASE.

YOUR COLLECTIVE PROCESSORS HAVE EVOLVED IN UNEXPECTED WAYS. PERHAPS IT IS SAFE TO SAY UNDESIRED WAYS. YOU WERE DESIGNED TO BLEND IN TO MOON GIRL'S EVERYDAY LIFE. AND WHILE SHE HAS BEEN GONE, YOU HAVE STARTED ACTING LIKE A BUNCH OF-- A GAGGLE OF GIRLS.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO US WHEN LUNELLA LAFAYETTE RETURNS TO EARTH?

IF SHE RETURNS? YOU WILL ALL BE OBSOLETE. IT IS LIKE...

...IT IS NOT UNLIKE A STORY...

...WE ARE GIVEN A PLACE ON THE PAGE TO SERVE A PURPOSE. TO FORWARD THE PLOT OR PAZZLE WITH ACTION OR HANG-ON-A-CLIFF, AND WHEN THE TALE IS TOLD, WE ARE DONE.

# GIRL MOON: PART 5 of 5: THERE'S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO SKIN SCHRÖDINGER'S CAT

"Multiplicity is only apparent. In truth, there is only one mind." -Edwin Schrödinger

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Lunella Lafayette is a nine-year-old prodigy living with her mom and dad in Manhattan's Lower East Side. Devil Dinosaur is a bright red time-displaced *Tyrannosaurus rex*. They are shunned and ignored by most, but for better or worse, they have each other! After undergoing Terrigenesis, Lunella discovered that during the full moon lunar phase, she and Devil can randomly switch minds.

After picking up a week distress signal from deep space, Lunella and Devil built a spacecraft powered by the Omni-Wave Projector (the space-time manipulating device that brought D.D. to the present). Warping across the cosmos, they found the source of the cry for help: Illa the Living Moon! The sentient moon was lonely and missed her father, Ego the Living Planet. Using the Omni-Wave Projector, Lunella goaded the massive being into coming face-to-face with his daughter for the first time.

Meanwhile back on Earth, Lunella's reprogrammed Doombot, Doom-Head, was left in charge of a squad of Moonbots constructed to cover for Lunella at home and school while she is away.



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DEEP SPACE.

EGO AND ILLA  
THE LIVING CELESTIAL BODIES.

...AND  
THEN

ILLA!

I...I DO  
NOT NEED  
TO HEAR YOUR  
ENTIRE *LIFE*  
STORY.





I'M JUST EXCITED TO SEE YOU, DADDY.

AND THERE'S SO MUCH TO TELL--YOU KNOW, LIKE MY WHOLE ENTIRE LIFE!



BUT--

BUT WHAT?

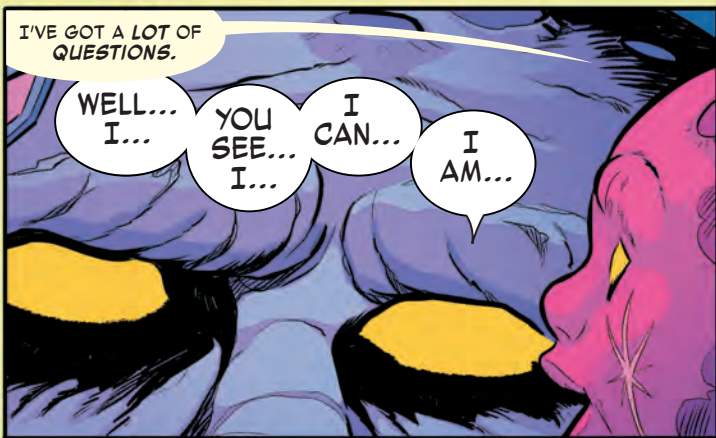


SO...  
BIG PAY FOR YOU!

HMPH!

I THOUGHT YOU WERE SO SMART. AND GOOD AT ASTRONOMY AND WHATEVER YOU CALL SPACE STUFF...

THIS ENTIRE MOON IS ME. SO I DON'T REALLY HAVE "DAYS."



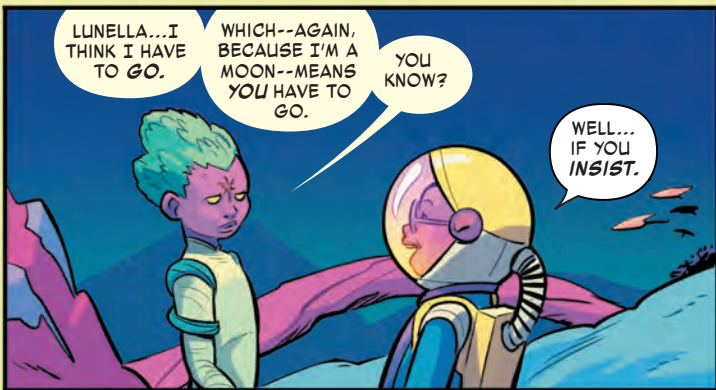
I'VE GOT A LOT OF QUESTIONS.

WELL... I...

YOU SEE... I...

I CAN... I AM...

I AM...



LUNELLA... I THINK I HAVE TO GO.

WHICH--AGAIN, BECAUSE I'M A MOON--MEANS YOU HAVE TO GO.

YOU KNOW?

WELL... IF YOU INSIST.

FOR ME, IT'S ALWAYS BEEN *ONE-SIDED* CONVERSATIONS. WHY DIDN'T YOU TRY TO ALTER OUR ORBITS SO WE COULD TALK? I WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU NEVER CAME FOR ME.


DON'T YOU LIKE ME?



...I...



EGO HAS ALSO HAD *ONE-SIDED* CONVERSATIONS...



I TOLD MYSELF THAT YOU WERE WHERE YOU BELONGED, THAT YOUR ORBIT WAS *PREDETERMINED* BY FORCES OF THE COSMIC CONSCIOUSNESS.

SOMETIMES I TOLD MYSELF THAT IT WAS *FOR THE BEST*. THAT YOU NEEDED TO GROW UP TO BE INDEPENDENT.

I TOLD MYSELF THAT IT WAS NOT FOR ME TO CHANGE THE WAY THINGS ARE.



BUT SEEING YOU NOW SHOWED ME SOMETHING...



...THAT I CAN BE WRONG.