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When society became disillusioned with its heroes, the next generation made a vow to do better. To make a difference. To change the world. They are the...

CHAMPIONS



MS. MARVEL



SPIDER-MAN



NOVA



BRAWN



VIV VISION



IRONHEART



SNOWGUARD



WASP



AN ADVENTURE INTO FEAR!

THE WATER SUPPLY OF A VILLAGE IN TANZANIA BECAME CONTAMINATED AFTER A RECENT GLOBAL CRISIS--DRINKING IT CAUSES PEOPLE TO FALL ILL AND RELIVE THEIR WORST MEMORIES. THE CHAMPIONS TRAVELED TO AFRICA TO INVESTIGATE, AND VIV AND AMKA QUICKLY FOUND THE PROBLEM: MAN-THING HAS TAKEN UP RESIDENCE IN A NEARBY SWAMP. EVERYONE THAT KNOWS FEAR BURNS AT HIS TOUCH--AND VIV VISION'S LIFE HAS GIVEN HER MUCH TO FEAR...

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THE SUN SETS ACROSS TANZANIA,
WASHING THE LAND IN A GLORIOUS
ORANGE GLOW...

...BUT NOT
HERE.

BENEATH A THICK CANOPY OF JUNGLE
FOLIAGE, THERE IS ONLY A MURKY PALLOR
OF SHADOWS PUNCTUATED BY THE EERIE
ILLUMINATION OF THE UNNATURAL.

ONE SOURCE OF THAT LIGHT IS THE MAGIC
OF A SHAPE-CHANGING GIRL NAMED AMKA.
HER POWER COMES FROM A RECENTLY
FORMED BOND TO INUIT SPIRITS KNOWN
AS THE SILAP INUA.

ANOTHER COMES FROM
THE GLEAMING CRIMSON
EYES OF THE CREATURE
KNOWN AS THE MACABRE
MAN-THING.

THEIR CURRENT DISAGREEMENT
WILL NOT END WELL.

AMKA AND VIV ARE TWO MEMBERS OF A TEAM CALLED THE CHAMPIONS. THE CHAMPIONS HELP THOSE IN NEED, NO MATTER WHERE THEY MAY BE FOUND.

THEIR LATEST MISSION LED THEM TO A VILLAGE CALLED MBALI. EARTHQUAKES HAD UNSETTLED NEARBY RIVERS, CONTAMINATING THE VILLAGE'S WATER SOURCE...OR SO THEY THOUGHT.

THE CHAMPIONS INTENDED TO SOLVE THE SITUATION WITH SCIENCE, BUT AMKA REALIZED MAGIC WAS SOMEHOW INVOLVED.

HER KEEN SUPERNATURAL SENSES BROUGHT HER AND VIV VISION TO ITS STRANGE SOURCE.

ALTHOUGH MANY PEOPLE CALL VIV A "ROBOT," SHE IS, MORE PRECISELY, A SYNTHEZOID--A SYNTHETIC HUMAN POWERED BY SOLAR ENERGY.

RECENTLY, SHE HAS TRIED TO DISENGAGE HER EMOTIONAL CORE TO AVOID DEALING WITH TRAUMAS SHE HAS SUFFERED, BUT THOSE FEELINGS STILL LIE DEEP WITHIN HER...

...AND WHATEVER KNOWS FEAR BURNS AT THE TOUCH OF THE MAN-THING.

THE ORDEAL PROVED MORE THAN VIV'S BODY COULD HANDLE...

...SENDING AMKA INTO A VIOLENT RAGE THAT WILL NOT BE EASILY QUELLED.

AMKA'S ROAR SHAKES THE VERY AIR AROUND THEM AS IT ECHOES THROUGH THE JUNGLE.

GRRAAAAH!



THE MARSH MONSTER HAS FOUGHT MANY CREATURES ACROSS MANY LANDS, BUT THIS ONE'S RAGE STIRS SOMETHING DEEP WITHIN IT IN A WAY IT HAS NOT FELT BEFORE.



IF THESE TWO BEASTS WERE LEFT TO BATTLE WITHOUT INTERRUPTION, THE OUTCOME WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE BEEN IN DOUBT...



...BUT AMKA IS NOT ALONE.



HER TEAMMATES ARE HERE TO HELP TURN THE TIDE.

JUNGLE MONSTER AT TWELVE O'CLOCK!

EVERYONE PILE ON!

ZAK

BRAWN, YOU GRAB ONE ARM AND I'LL GET THE OTHER! WE NEED TO GET IT OFF SNOWGUARD!

I'M ON IT!

WASP, YOU'VE GOTTA SHRINK IT!

I'M TRYING, BUT IT'S RESISTING THE EFFECT OF THE PYM PARTICLES!

WHAT?! IS THAT POSSIBLE?!

IF IT'S HAPPENING, THEN IT'S POSSIBLE!

SAM, GET BACK! YOU DON'T HAVE YOUR NOVA POWERS ANYMORE! YOU'RE GONNA GET HURT!

I... I...

SHOOOM

GRUHH

OOOF!

