

X-MEN

GOLD

GENETICALLY GIFTED WITH UNCANNY ABILITIES, MUTANTS ARE BELIEVED TO BE THE NEXT STAGE OF HUMAN EVOLUTION. WHILE THE WORLD HATES AND FEARS THEM, KITTY PRYDE HAS REFORMED THE TEAM OF MUTANT HEROES KNOWN AS THE X-MEN TO USE THEIR POWERS FOR GOOD AND SPREAD A POSITIVE IMAGE OF MUTANTKIND.

PREVIOUSLY IN **X-MEN GOLD...**

AN ATTACK ON THE UNITED NATIONS BY THE NEW BROTHERHOOD OF EVIL MUTANTS HAS LEFT THE WORLD IN OUTRAGE AND THE X-MEN IN DISARRAY. AFTER THE BROTHERHOOD UPS THE ANTE BY KIDNAPPING NEW YORK CITY'S MAYOR, IT BECOMES MORE NECESSARY THAN EVER FOR KITTY PRYDE AND THE X-MEN TO FIND AND STOP THEIR MUTANT ENEMIES—BEFORE THEY BEGIN A WAR WITH HUMANKIND!

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ALL THESE YEARS...



...WHY CAN'T ANY FLAMIN' THING EVER BE EASY?

FWOOSH



GNF--



WELL DONE, AMARA...



INFORM OUR BENEFACTOR...

"...WE'RE PROCEEDING TO PHASE THREE."

KURT AND PETER ARE SPINNING UP THE X-JET.

REALLY NEED A BETTER NAME FOR THAT...

AND LOGAN?

HE SAID HE AND THE MAYOR ARE BEING HELD IN SOME UNDERGROUND FACILITY ON LONG ISLAND.

HE MAKES SIX HOSTILES.

SIX ON SIX. I LIKE THOSE ODDS.



HOW ABOUT MAKING THEM BETTER?



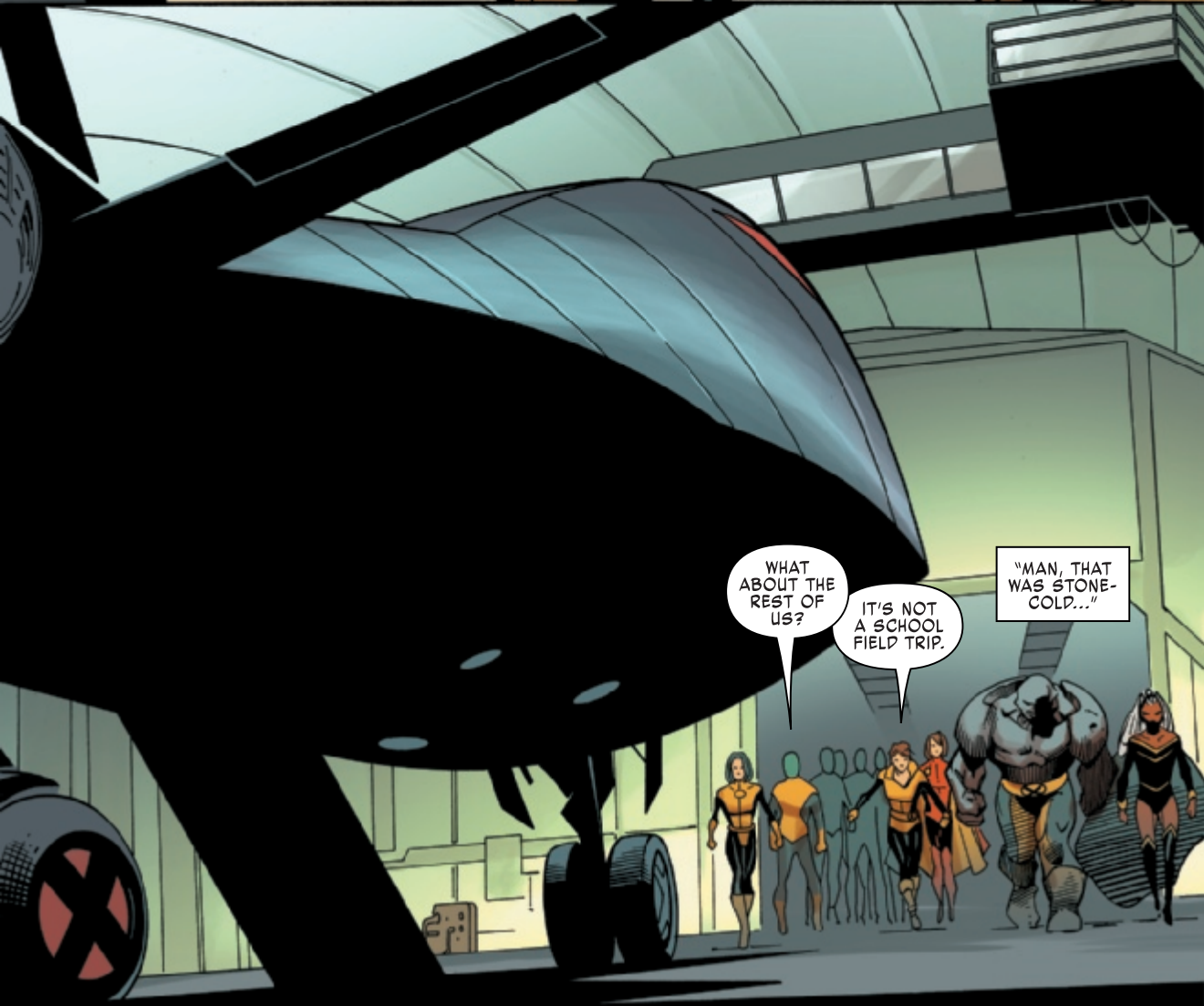
I APPRECIATE THAT, ANOLE, BUT WE'VE BEEN KEEPING STUDENTS OUT OF COMBAT SITUATIONS.

LOTS OF US HAVE BEEN IN COMBAT SITUATIONS.

YOU GOT THE MAYOR OF NEW YORK BEING HELD HOSTAGE. WHERE'S IT WRITTEN YOU GUYS HAVE TO GO IN SHORT-HANDED?



ROCKSLIDE AND ARMOR.



WHAT ABOUT THE REST OF US?

IT'S NOT A SCHOOL FIELD TRIP.

"MAN, THAT WAS STONE-COLD..."



IS THAT A COMPLAINT I'M HEARING, SANTO?

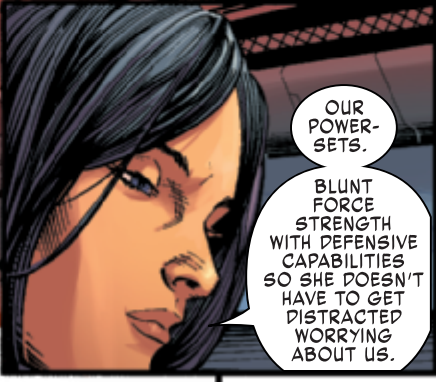


NO, MA'AM.

GOOD.

YOU KNOW WHY I PICKED YOU TWO, RIGHT?

AESTHETIC BEAUTY AND SHEER AWESOMENESS?



OUR POWER-SETS.

BLUNT FORCE STRENGTH WITH DEFENSIVE CAPABILITIES SO SHE DOESN'T HAVE TO GET DISTRACTED WORRYING ABOUT US.



BUT SHEER AWESOMENESS TOO, RIGHT?



LET'S GET SERIOUS.

THIS NEW BROTHERHOOD IS THE REAL DEAL. WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE MAYOR IS, SO WE'LL HAVE TO COVER A LOT OF UNFAMILIAR GROUND, WHICH MEANS SPLITTING UP.