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## STORY SO FAR...

Millions of years ago on the planet Cybertron, a race of mechanical aliens arose. Their origins shrouded in myth, their planet consumed by war, explorers searched for new worlds to colonize in the name of their god, Primus.

A traveler from the future called **Shockwave** awoke in this distant past. Through his knowledge of what the future would hold, he instituted a plan. Calling himself Onyx Prime, he united Cybertron's tribes under the rule of Thirteen Primes, taking them to the stars in the name of expansion. Colonies were established and, through his machinations, seeded with powerful ores.

And then they were lost, as history so often is.

The cycle repeated—using half-remembered legends as justification, a new Cybertronian government, responding to the will of a new Prime, oppressed its people. Seeking justice, a police officer named Orion Pax and a revolutionary known as Megatron overthrew this new order. They changed the world—and the world changed them.

Pax took the name Optimus Prime, and his heroic Autobots fought Megatron's evil Decepticons for millions of years—their war spilling across the galaxy. Eventually, on a planet called Earth, the Autobots won.

An uncertain era of peace began. Cybertron reconnected with its former colonies—its new leader, Starscream, claiming freedom for all while Optimus Prime annexed a new colony: Earth.

It was a tumultuous time; following a political disgrace, Starscream resigned—replaced as leader by Windblade, from the colony of Caminus. Shockwave returned with a bestial Maximal Army and threatened Cybertron again. The mastermind was captured... but had Cybertron played into his hand?

In all the fighting, something was awoken. Something that cannot be stopped. A threat that cannot be defeated. No one quite understands what it is or what it can do, but they know two things: Unicron is death... and Unicron is here.



















