

**MAXIMUM RIDE** DOESN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HER PAST.

SHE KNOWS ABOUT THE **LAB** WHERE SHE WAS GIVEN WINGS AND THE ABILITY TO FLY. SHE KNOWS ABOUT **JEB**, THE MAN WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR EXPERIMENTING ON HER. SHE KNOWS THAT SHE HAS TO PROTECT THE REST OF **THE FLOCK** -- FANG, NUDGE, IGGY, GASMAN, AND ANGEL -- AT ALL COSTS.

AND SHE KNOWS THAT SHE HAS ONE MISSION: TO SAVE THE WORLD.

JAMES PATTERSON

# MAX RIDE

## ULTIMATE FLIGHT

ADAPTED FROM THE NOVEL, *MAXIMUM RIDE: SCHOOL'S OUT FOREVER*, BY JAMES PATTERSON



AFTER STEALING THEIR FILES FROM THE LAB, **MAXIMUM RIDE** IS ON A HUNT TO FIND **THE FLOCK'S** BIOLOGICAL FAMILIES.

BUT AFTER A BRUTAL FIGHT WITH **ARI** AND THE **ERASERS**, **FANG** WAS HOSPITALIZED. AT THE HOSPITAL, **THE FLOCK** WAS MET BY AN FBI AGENT NAMED, **ANNE**. ANNE ALREADY KNEW ABOUT THEIR POWERS AND THE LAB WHERE THE FLOCK ESCAPED FROM AND OFFERED HER HOUSE AS A PLACE TO REST UP WHILE FANG RECOVERED.

ANNE'S FARMHOUSE WAS IDYLIC -- ENOUGH FOOD, LOTS OF SPACE TO FLY AROUND, AND A WARM, SAFE ENVIRONMENT. BUT THERE WAS ONE CATCH...

...ANNE WANTS TO SEND THE KIDS TO SCHOOL, REAL SCHOOL, FOR THE FIRST TIME!

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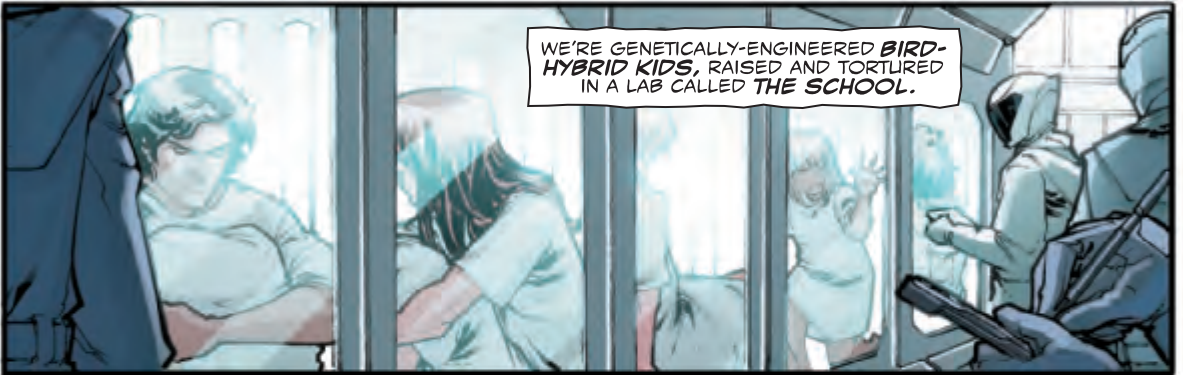
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MY FAMILY AND I ARE ABOUT AS FAR AWAY FROM NORMAL AS YOU CAN GET.



WE'RE GENETICALLY-ENGINEERED BIRD-HYBRID KIDS, RAISED AND TORTURED IN A LAB CALLED THE SCHOOL.



AFTER WE ESCAPED, WE WERE HUNTED BY MONSTER FREAKS CALLED ERASERS. HAD TO FIGHT JUST TO STAY ALIVE.



SOME FIGHTS WERE HARDER THAN OTHERS.

BUT DESPITE ALL THE FEAR, THE BRUTALITY, THE BETRAYALS, WE DID HAVE ONE THING GOING FOR US...

WOODBROOK ACADEMY.

...WE WERE NEVER BORED.

THE SCIENTISTS IN THE LAB MAY HAVE EXPERIMENTED ON US, BUT THEY ALSO MADE SURE WE WERE EDUCATED.

SO FAR IN NORMAL KIDS' SCHOOL? IT'S ALL THINGS I KNOW ALREADY.

AND ALL THE SOCIAL STUFF IS WEIRD. AM I SUPPOSED TO BE WORRIED ABOUT THOSE GOSSIPERS OVER THERE?

UNLESS THEY'RE TRYING TO RIP MY THROAT OUT, AS IN *LITERALLY*, I COULDN'T CARE LESS.

I ALMOST WISH THEY'D TRY. AT LEAST IT WOULD MAKE THINGS INTERESTING FOR A FEW SECONDS.





HOPEFULLY THE OTHERS ARE GETTING MORE OUT OF THIS LITTLE EXPERIMENT.

YOU CAN **TOTALLY** SIT WITH US AT LUNCH IF YOU WANT.

BUT YOU HAVE TO TELL US **EVERYTHING** ABOUT YOURSELF.



LIKE, IS YOUR NAME **REALLY** FANG?



NO, **YOU'RE** IT!

ALL RIGHT, IT'S TIME TO HEAD BACK INSIDE FOR READING.



YES, ANGEL?

I DON'T WANT TO GO INSIDE. WE SHOULD GET TO PLAY LONGER.

YOU'RE RIGHT. YOU SHOULD GET TO PLAY LONGER.



MY TURN TO BE IT!



IF WE'RE ABLE TO FIND THEIR PARENTS, THIS TYPE OF THING WILL BE THE NEW NORMAL FOR THE FLOCK.

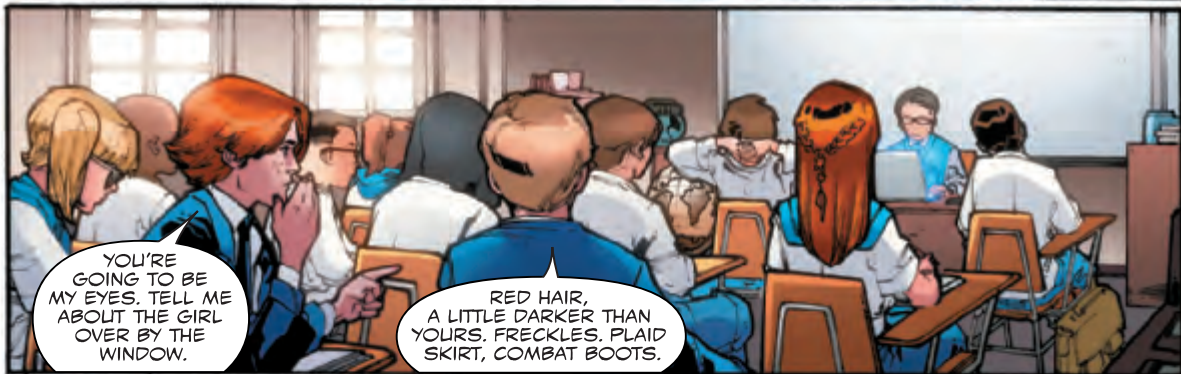
BUT ARE GOATS REALLY IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO BE A MAJOR EXPORT? HAVE YOU HAD GOAT CHEESE? IT'S PRETTY GROSS.

YOU SEE GOATS IN PETTING ZOOS BUT THOSE CAN'T BE BIG MONEYMAKERS. ARE GOATS JUST MORE POPULAR IN OTHER COUNTRIES? I'M GLAD I DON'T LIVE THERE. COW CHEESE IS SO MUCH BETTER.

LH, NUDGE, IF YOU JUST TURN TO--



ALSO, YOUR COMPUTER HAS A LOT OF VIRUSES FROM THOSE WEIRD SITES YOU VISIT. YOU SHOULD GET THAT FIXED.



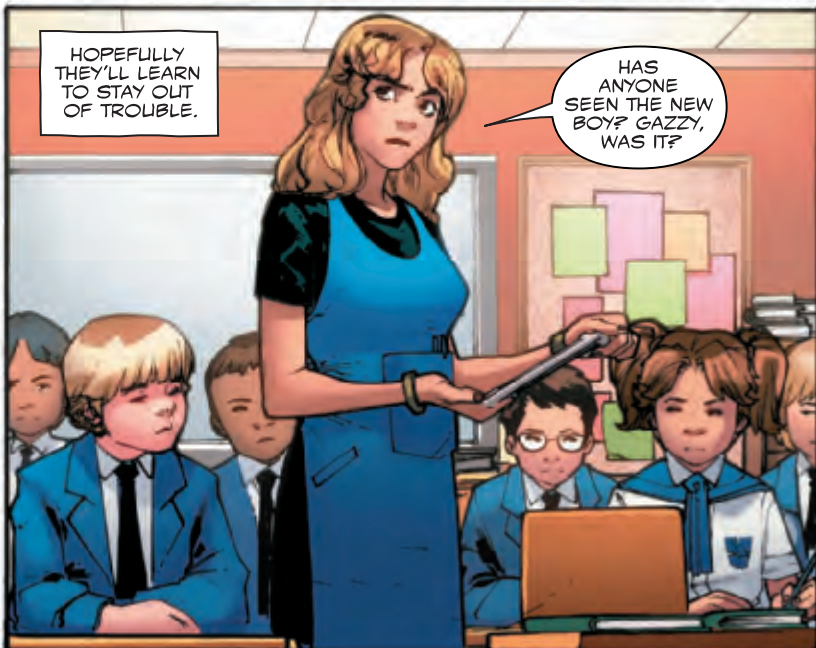
YOU'RE GOING TO BE MY EYES. TELL ME ABOUT THE GIRL OVER BY THE WINDOW.

RED HAIR, A LITTLE DARKER THAN YOURS. FRECKLES. PLAID SKIRT, COMBAT BOOTS.



HOW CAN YOU TELL WHERE THE CUTE ONES ARE IF YOU CAN'T SEE THEM, IGGY?

SIXTH SENSE, MAN.



HOPEFULLY THEY'LL LEARN TO STAY OUT OF TROUBLE.

HAS ANYONE SEEN THE NEW BOY? GAZZY, WAS IT?