

NOVA

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PREVIOUSLY...

Sam Alexander's father, Jesse, used to tell him stories about the intergalactic Nova Corps, a peacekeeping force throughout the galaxy. Sam always thought these stories were just that – stories – until one day his father went missing and Sam found his old helmet, becoming the interstellar hero called Nova!

Recently, Nova was with a group of Avengers working to stop a creature known as Red Onslaught – Red Skull wielding the telepathic abilities of the deceased founder of the X-Men, Charles Xavier. The Skull's new abilities altered the Avengers somehow, and Nova found himself going toe-to-toe with KLUH, the Hulk's Hulk.

Kluh stormed across the Midwest, putting Sam's hometown, Carefree, Arizona, and his family, in danger. Fifteen year olds aren't meant to go toe-to-toe with Hulks, though, and Sam took a beating. After suffering a broken arm, Nova took a hard hit to the helmet and flew all the way to Paris!



CHAPTER XXIV: STUPIDITY TRIES

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YOU DON'T NEED THAT MASK HERE, YOUNG... UH, WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

I HAVE A SECRET IDENTITY, AND I CAN'T TELL YOU MY NAME!

IT'S SAM. SAM... WHAT IS MY LAST NAME?!

UH...

I CAN'T... HOW CAN I NOT REMEMBER MY NAME?



YOU DON'T HAVE TO SHARE IT, BUT YOU DO KNOW YOUR NAME, RIGHT?



YES, I KNOW MY NAME.

ALEXANDER. MY LAST NAME IS ALEXANDER.

WE HAVE TO HURRY, I HAVE TO GO.

YOU SHOULD BE LYING DOWN.



WERE YOU THIS CRAZY BEFORE THAT MONSTER BEAT YOUR HEAD IN?

YOUR CAST WON'T EVEN BE DRY FOR AT LEAST FIFTEEN MINUTES.

UHN.



LITTLE HELP WITH MY HELMET?

AND CAN YOU TAKE ME TO THE ROOF?



YES! THE HELMET STILL WORKS.

NOBODY WILL BLAME YOU FOR NOT FACING THAT BEAST, ESPECIALLY WHILE YOU'RE INJURED.

OW.

YOUNG MAN, PLEASE THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING.

I KNOW...

...BUT I WOULD BLAME ME.

AND LIVES ARE AT STAKE.

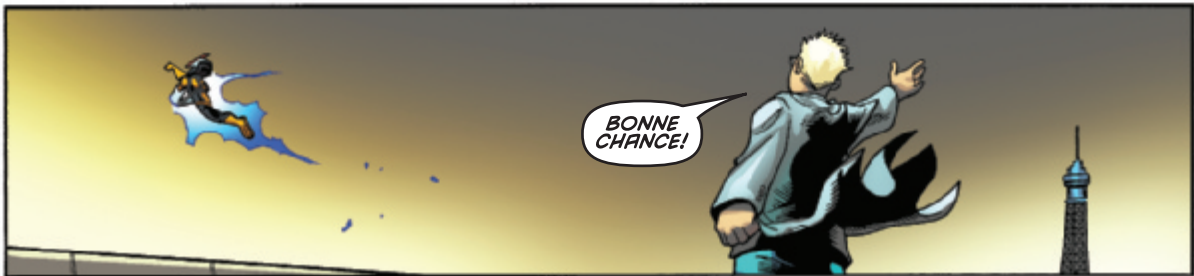


THANK YOU, AGAIN, DOCTOR.

YOU'RE WELCOME!

DON'T GO TO SLEEP FOR AT LEAST A DAY!

AND SEE YOUR DOCTOR!



BONNE CHANCE!



I HAVE AN IDEA.



IT'S CRAZY ENOUGH TO WORK.



I JUST--

WHOOAAAAHH!



YEAHH!

SO THE HELMET IS AS BANGED UP AS I AM...



C'MON!
RESTART!