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REIGN OF DARKNESS

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Deep within the abandoned Archives, Toa Hordika Whenua, Toa Hordika Nuiju, Rahaga Bomonga, and Rahaga Kualus have come seeking items to aid in the escape of the Matoran from Metru Nui. But one particular Rahi has pursued them there, with multi-faceted eyes on sending them into the darkness forever.

Even if they survive, their troubles have just begun. The evil Roodaka waits in the Coliseum, weaving a web that will eventually draw Toa Hordika, Sidorak, and the Visorak hordes into a tangled skein of fear.

Exile into the shadows might be a more merciful end ...



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SHADOW PLAY

THE TIME IS DRAWING NEAR. ALMOST ALL OF MY THREADS HAVE BEEN SPUN, AND I WAIT ONLY FOR MY PREY TO RUSH HEADLONG INTO THE TRAP.

ALWAYS REMEMBER THIS, LITTLE HORDELING... THOUGH I AM NOT A VISORAK, I TOO CAN WEAVE A WEB.





THE SIX TOA ARE GROWING DESPERATE, TORN BETWEEN SAVING THEIR PRECIOUS MATORAN AND SAVING THEMSELVES FROM AN ETERNITY IN THEIR MONSTROUS NEW FORMS.

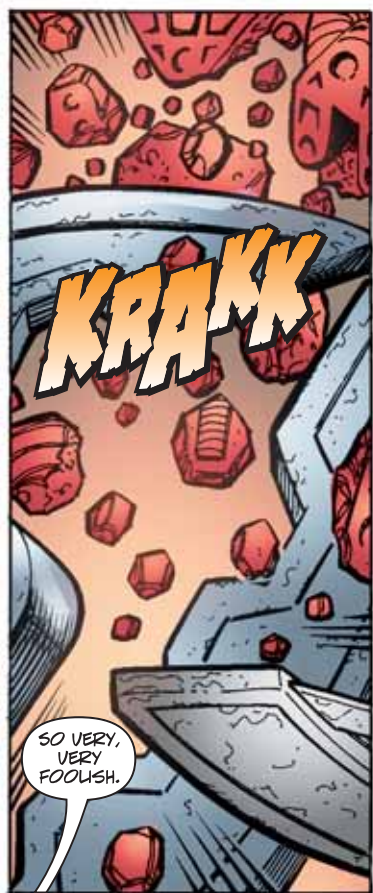


DESPERATE TOA MAKE MISTAKES. AND IN THIS GAME, ONE MISTAKE IS ALL YOU ARE ALLOWED.

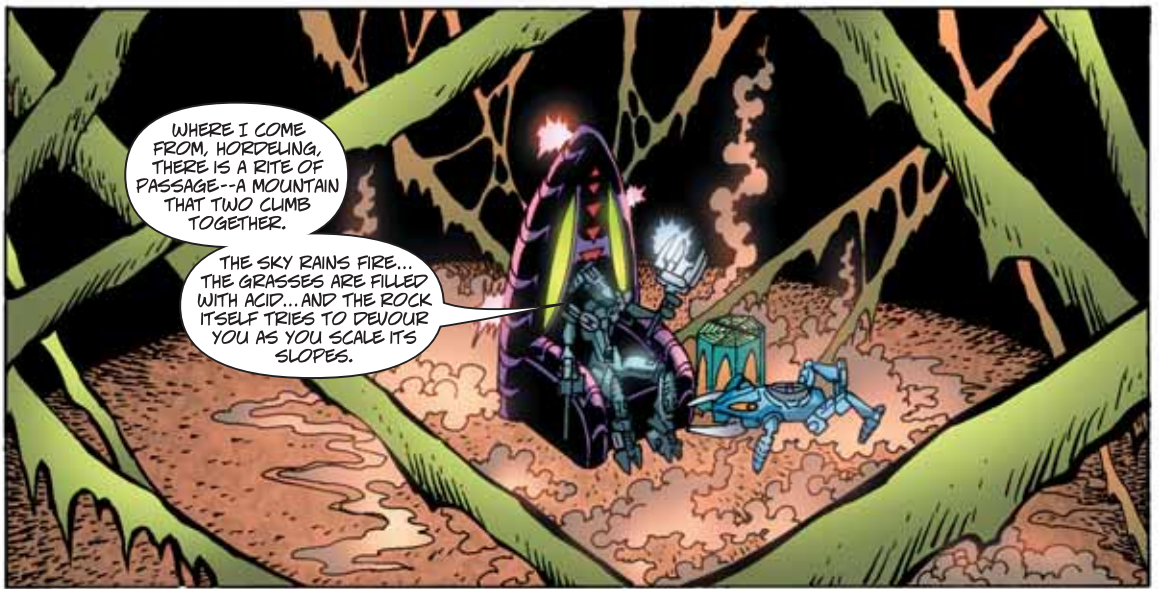
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AH, SIDORAK, MY "KING"... SO SECURE IN YOUR POWER OVER THE HORDE. SO CONFIDENT IN OUR COMING ALLIANCE. SO CERTAIN OF VICTORY.

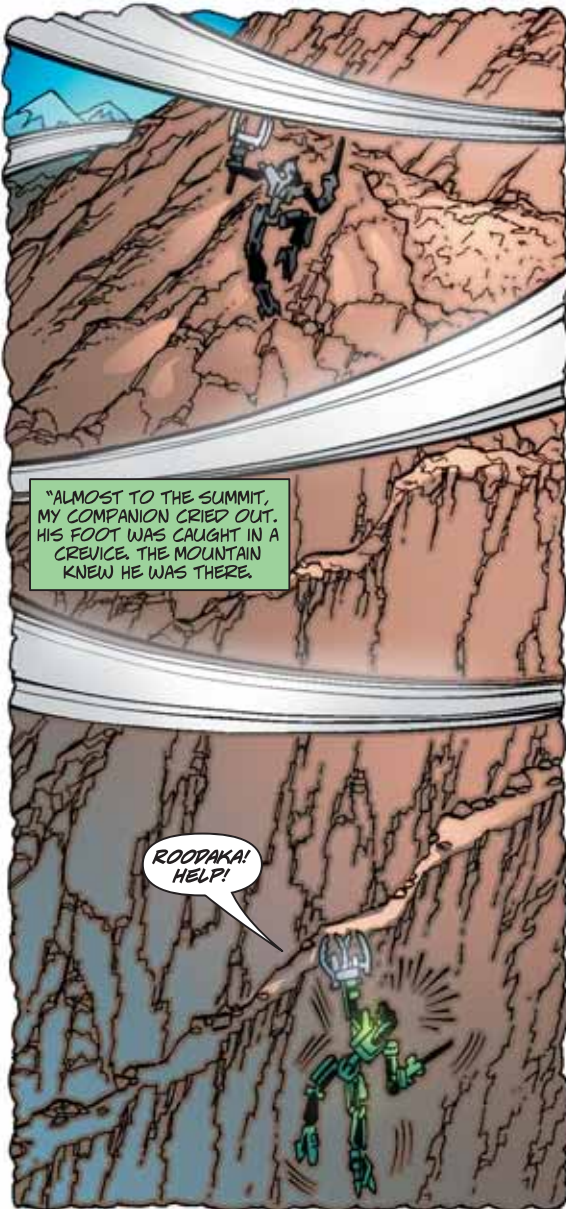


SO VERY, VERY FOOLISH.



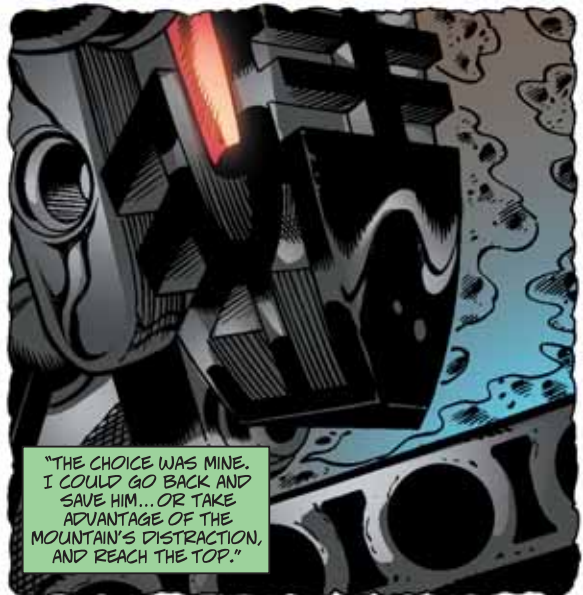
WHERE I COME FROM, HORDELING, THERE IS A RITE OF PASSAGE--A MOUNTAIN THAT TWO CLIMB TOGETHER.

THE SKY RAINS FIRE... THE GRASSES ARE FILLED WITH ACID... AND THE ROCK ITSELF TRIES TO DEVOUR YOU AS YOU SCALE ITS SLOPES.



"ALMOST TO THE SUMMIT, MY COMPANION CRIED OUT. HIS FOOT WAS CAUGHT IN A CREVICE. THE MOUNTAIN KNEW HE WAS THERE.

ROODAKA!
HELP!

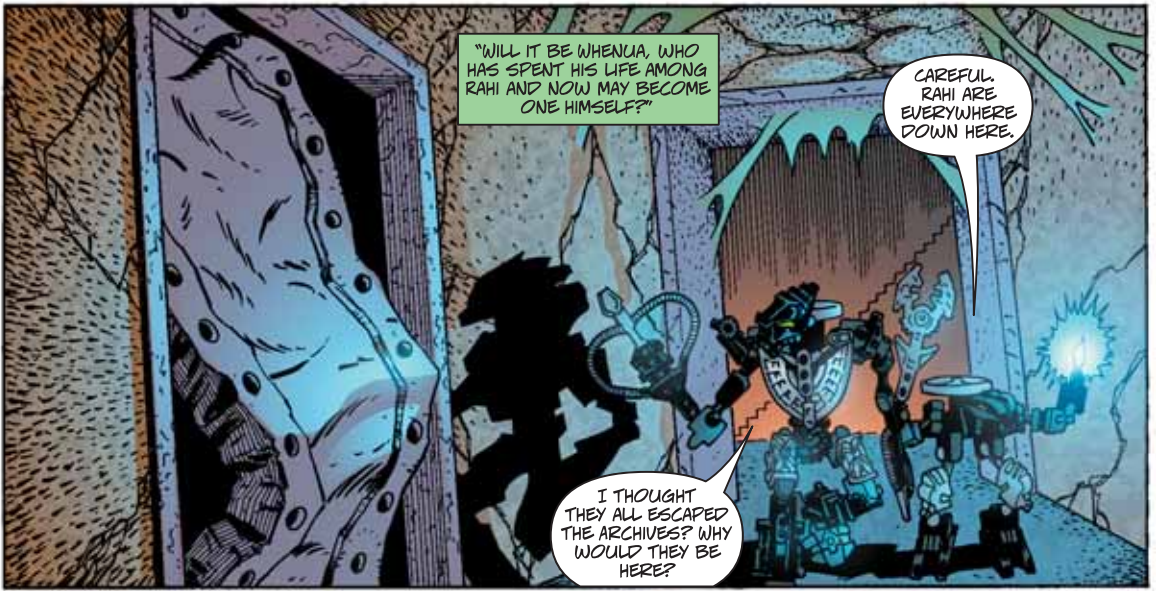


"THE CHOICE WAS MINE. I COULD GO BACK AND SAVE HIM... OR TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE MOUNTAIN'S DISTRACTION, AND REACH THE TOP."



I MADE MY FIRST BARGAIN THAT DAY, HORDELING. I SCALED THE ROCK IN SAFETY... AND THE MOUNTAIN ENJOYED ITS FEAST.

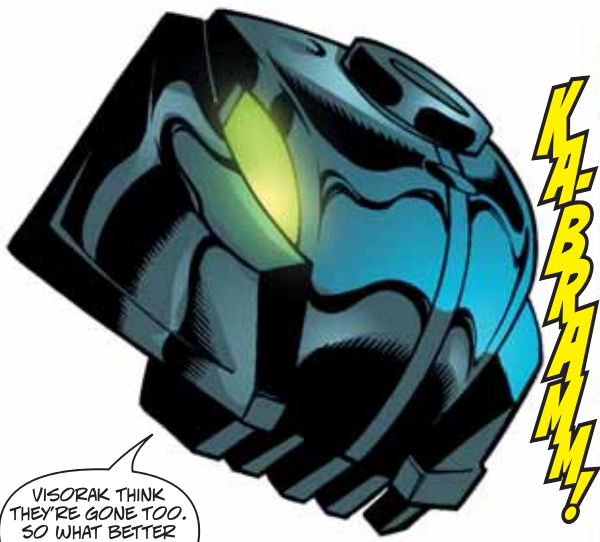
WHICH TOA DO YOU THINK WILL MAKE A SIMILAR BARGAIN TO SAVE THEIR INSIGNIFICANT LITTLE LIVES?



"WILL IT BE WHENUA, WHO HAS SPENT HIS LIFE AMONG RAHI AND NOW MAY BECOME ONE HIMSELF?"

CAREFUL. RAHI ARE EVERYWHERE DOWN HERE.

I THOUGHT THEY ALL ESCAPED THE ARCHIVES? WHY WOULD THEY BE HERE?

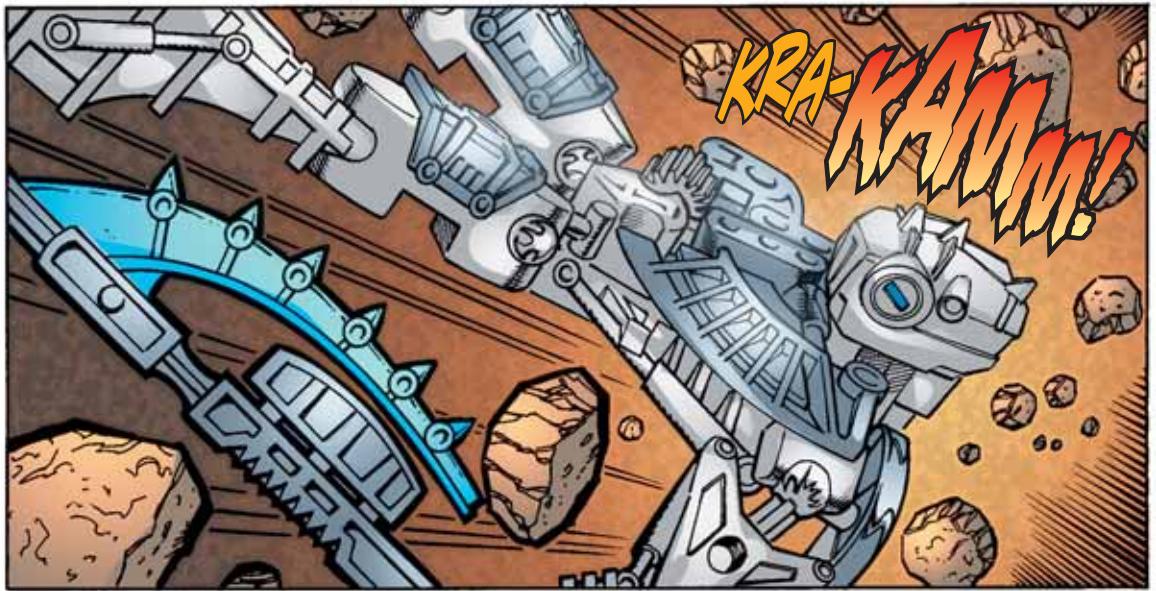


KABRAM!

VISORAK THINK THEY'RE GONE TOO. SO WHAT BETTER PLACE TO HIDE FROM THEM?

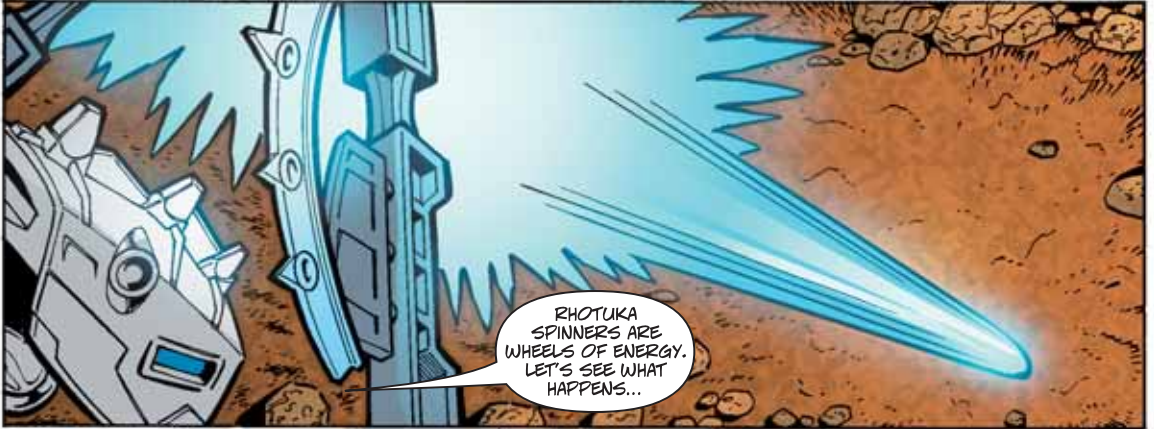


SOMEONE'S "HIDING" REALLY LOUDLY...



KRA-KAM!







IT'S REFLECTING!



THE REDIRECTED RHOTUKA HEADS BACK TO THE KAHGARAK...



STRIKING, IT OPENS A GATEWAY TO A ZONE OF DARKNESS ...



AND PULLS THE STARTLED KAHGARAK INSIDE!

BLINK

HERE TO RUN...
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NOWHERE TO RUN...no



THE VISORAK ARE COMING

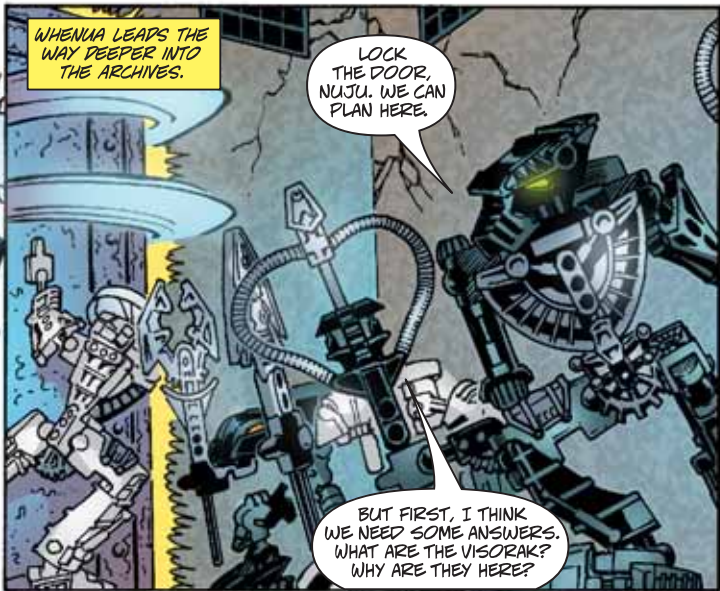


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IT RECEIVED THE FATE IT PLANNED FOR YOU--TRAPPED IN SHADOW.

BUT IT WON'T STAY THERE LONG. WE HAVE TO MOVE!



WHENUA LEADS THE WAY DEEPER INTO THE ARCHIVES.

LOCK THE DOOR, NUJU. WE CAN PLAN HERE.

BUT FIRST, I THINK WE NEED SOME ANSWERS. WHAT ARE THE VISORAK? WHY ARE THEY HERE?



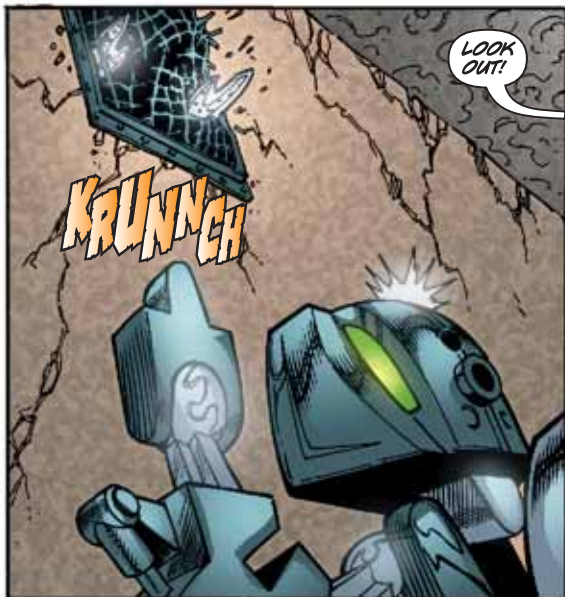
I CAN ANSWER THAT... OH YES... FOR I WAS ONE OF THE FIRST TO SEE THEM, AND SURVIVE.



"THEY FIRST APPEARED YEARS AGO... SAVAGE BY NATURE, OBEDIENT BY TRAINING. NOTHING THAT LIVED COULD STAND BEFORE THEM."



"AT FIRST, I THOUGHT THE VISORAK WERE THE ONLY DANGER... UNTIL I SAW THEM. ROODAKA AND SIDORAK."





WHENUA, GET THAT DOOR OPEN! I'LL HOLD THEM OFF!

HSSST!

HSSST!



NO!
NO, NO,
NO...

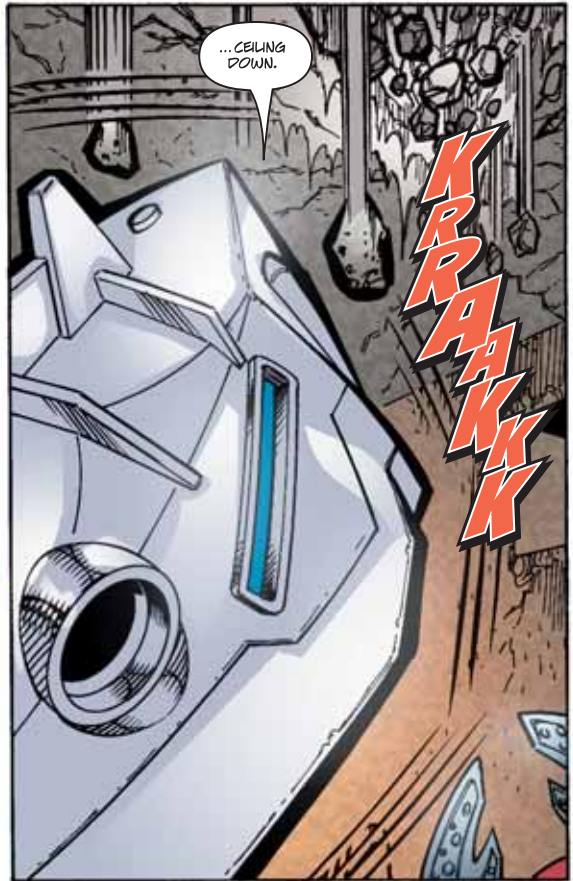
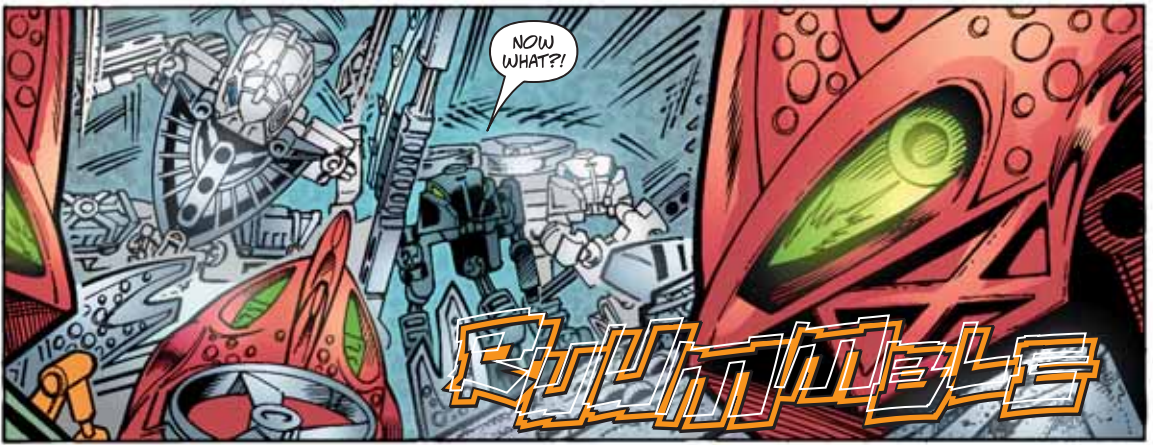


THIS IS MY TERRITORY!
MINE! YOU CAN'T BE HERE!



GET OUT!!

HSSSSST!

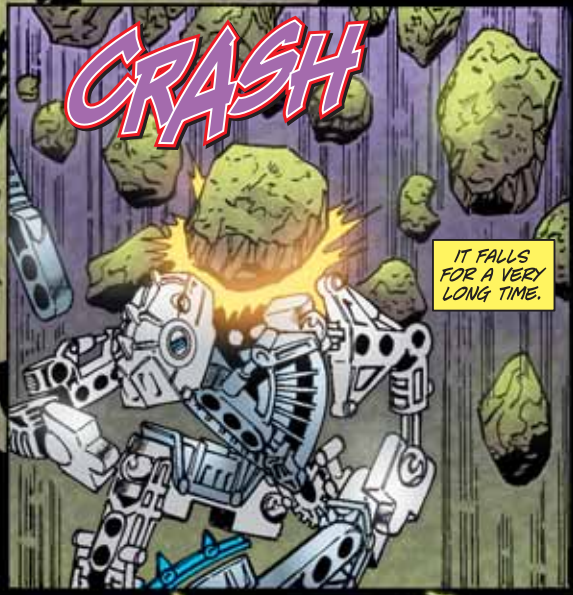


WITH A ROAR LIKE A FLOODTIDE, STONE AND MORTAR RAIN DOWN ON THE TOA HORDIKA, VISORAK, AND RAHAGA.

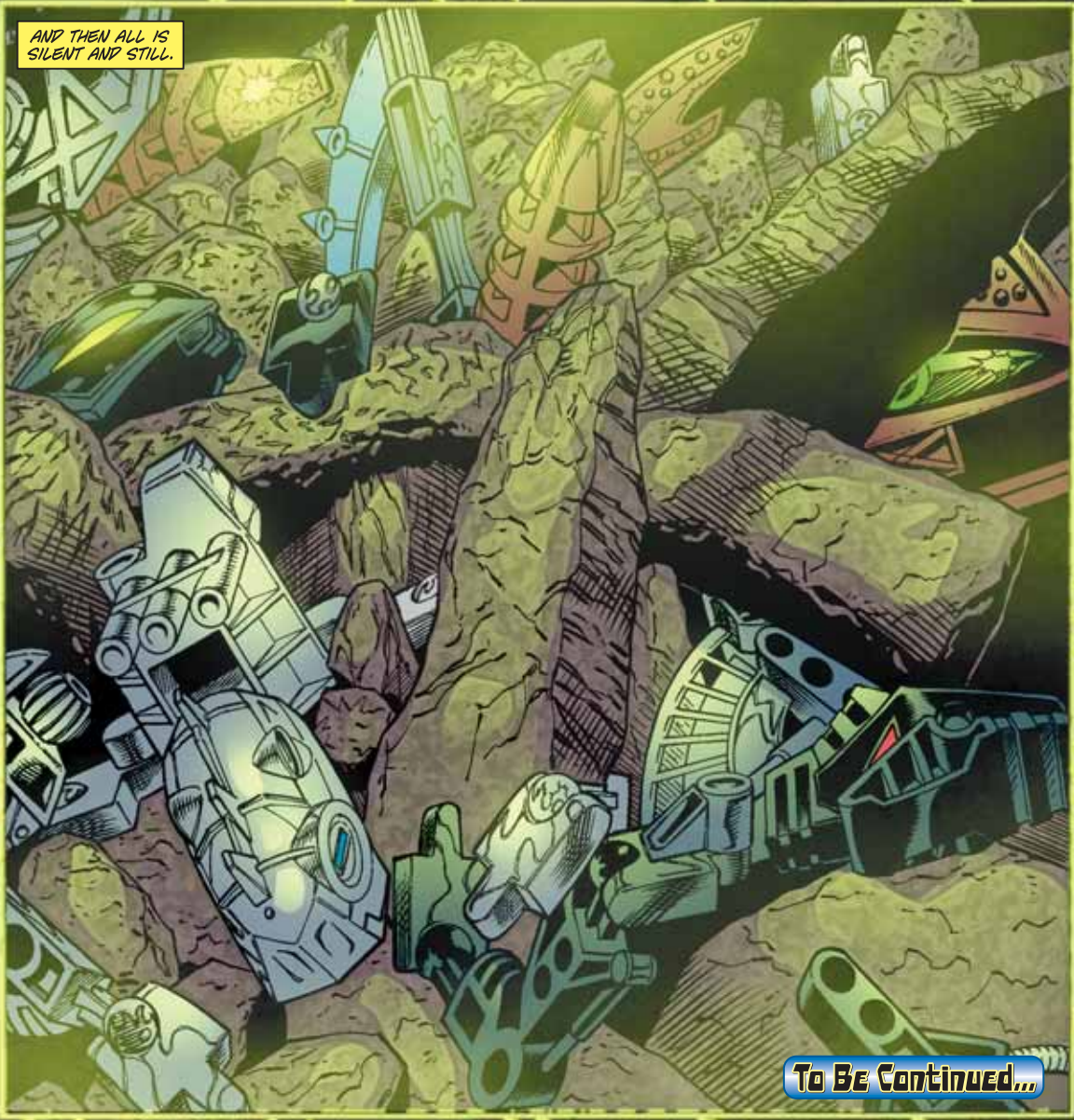
SHAWNOOM

CRASH

IT FALLS FOR A VERY LONG TIME.



AND THEN ALL IS SILENT AND STILL.



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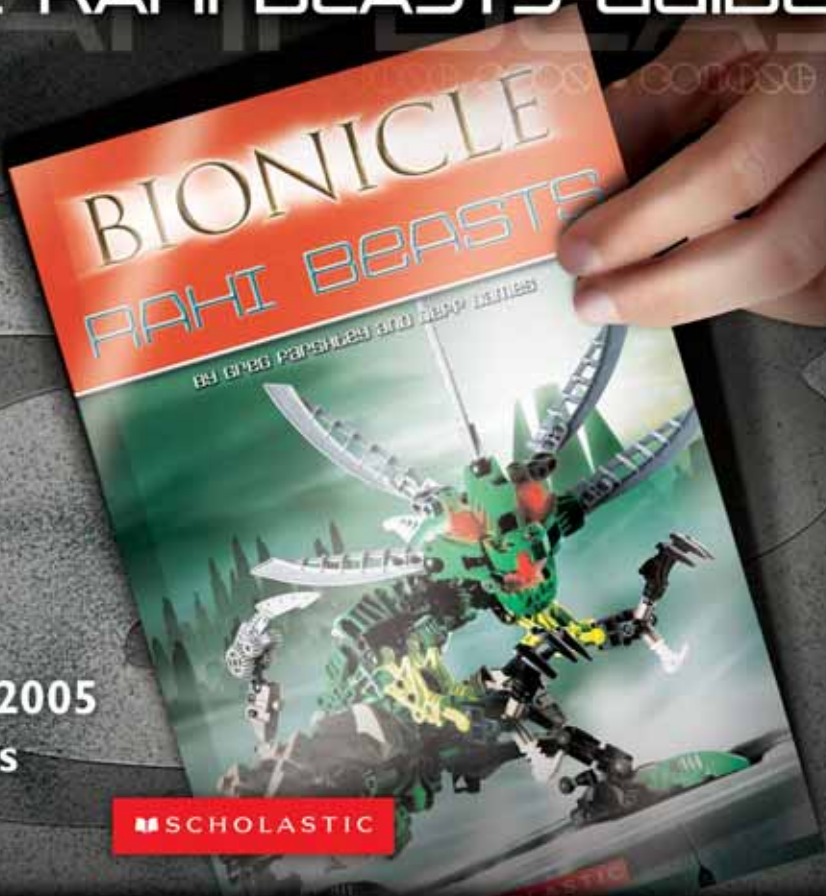
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