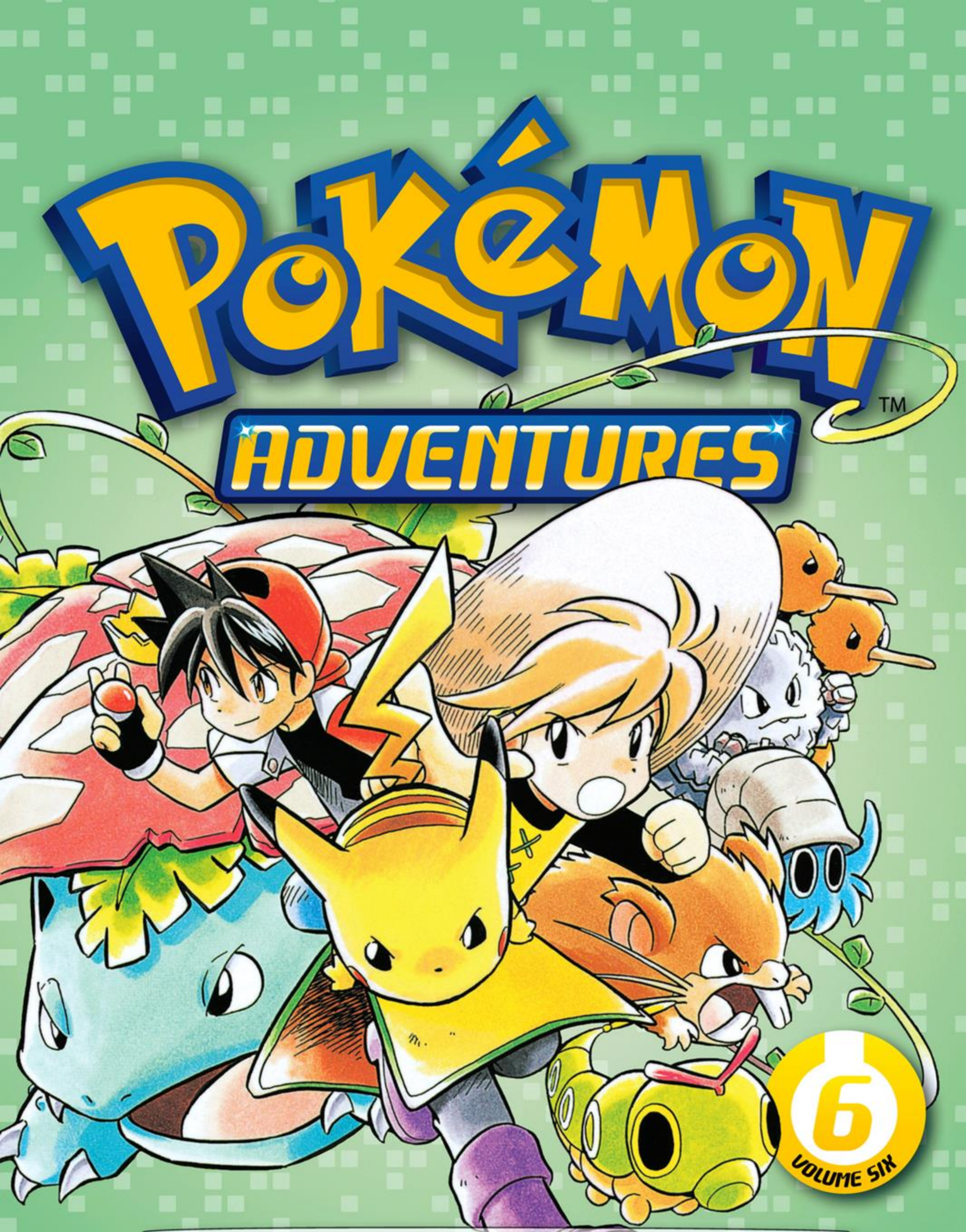
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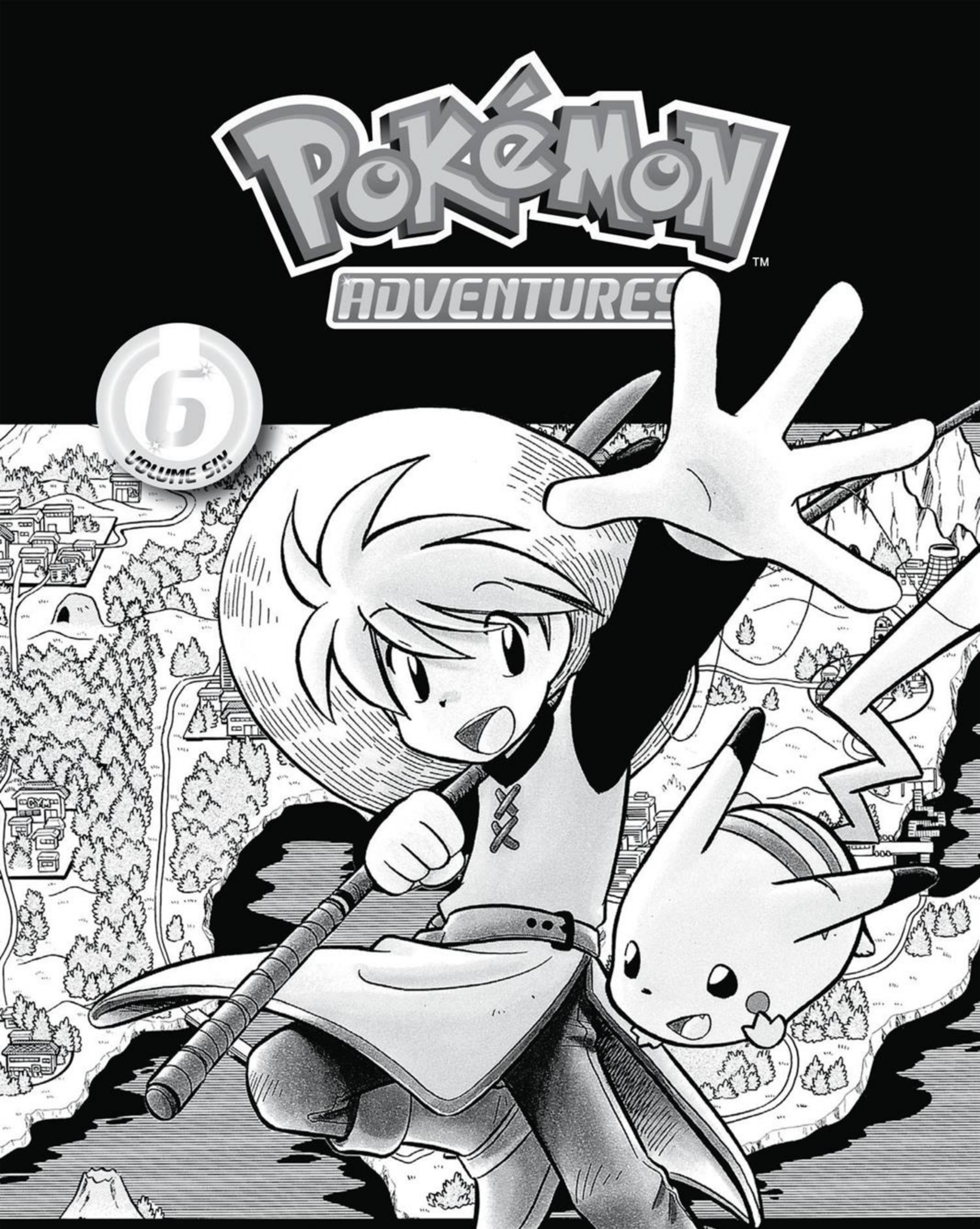
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CHARACTERS

THUS FAR...

At last, the Elite Four's attack on Kanto has begun! But in order to find Red, a confrontation with the Elite Four cannot be avoided. So Yellow and Blaine decide to enter the Four's headquarters on Cerise Island!

DODY (DODUO)

YELLOW

A trainer with the rare power to sense a Pokémon's feelings. Alongside Pika, Yellow is on a search for Red!

PIKA (PIKACHU)

RATTY (RATTATA)

TEAM ROCKET COMMANDERS

SAFFRON CITY GYM LEADER
SABRINA

FUCHSIA CITY GYM LEADER
KOGA

VERMILION CITY GYM LEADER
LT. SURGE

GYM LEADERS OF THE VARIOUS CITIES

CINNABAR ISLAND GYM LEADER
BLAINE

CELADON CITY GYM LEADER
ERIKA

CERULEAN CITY GYM LEADER
MISTY

PEWTER CITY GYM LEADER
BROCK

MAIN JOURNEY

Having come ashore on the Western side of the island, Blaine chances a meeting with Blue, who has taken a different route. Yet who appears before them but the three commanders of Team Rocket—the very same group they have been fighting against previously!!

GREEN
Trainer from Pallet Town. Aiding Yellow's quest.

RED
Passionate about Pokémon! Goes missing after his battle with Bruno.

BLUE
Red's rival. A braggert but actually quite a skilled trainer. He trained Yellow.

ELITE FOUR
A highly skilled group with abilities surpassing even those of the gym leaders. Believing that human beings are merely an obstruction to a world meant for Pokémon, they devise a plan to get rid of humanity!!

LANCE

AGATHA

BRUNO

LORELEI

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RUBRUB

YOU'RE LOOKING MUCH BETTER!

OAK POKÉMON RESEARCH LAB

POIT

THANK YOU!

YOUR COAT IS SO SHINY AGAIN... CHANSEY, WOULD YOU PLEASE HAND ME THAT CHART?

!

W-WHAT ?!

A CATAS-TROPHE!! THE THREE CITIES–PEWTER, CERULEAN AND CELADON– !!

VSSH

GRAND-FATHER, WHAT'S WRONG ?!

BAM

MISTY! ERIKA! BROCK! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?!

66 Punching Poliwrath

IT'S *HORRIBLE* !!

THEY'RE BEING ATTACKED BY THE POKÉMON FORCES OF THE *ELITE FOUR*!!

SHPP SHPP SHPP SHPP

BWOOSH

GOL-DEEN !!

CELA-DON CITY

BLOOSH

SUPER-SONIC !

WATER-FALL !

FWSH

WOBBLE

WOBBLE

DID I GET THEM ?!

OOM

AKH! THERE'RE TOO MANY !

MWIP

MWIP

GRANDFATHER... WHAT ABOUT THAT BOY THE ELITE FOUR TARGETED... THE ONE WHO WENT OFF WITH PIKACHU TO FIND RED? WHAT ABOUT YELLOW?!

IT'S TERRI-BLE, MAY, TERRI-BLE!

CERISE... THE UNMAP-PED...

I'VE HAD WORD THAT HE'S REACHED THE HOME BASE OF THE ELITE FOUR... CERISE ISLAND!

OUT OF THE FOUR ARMIES THAT THE ELITE FOUR CONTROL, THREE ARE ON THE MAINLAND. WHICH MEANS THAT THE DEFENSES FOR THE ISLAND MUST BE SPARSE. THEY'RE PROBABLY TRYING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT!

OF COURSE... HE PROBABLY WENT THERE BECAUSE HE LEARNED ABOUT THE ATTACKS!

NOT IF HE SUCCEEDED IN HIS PLAN... TO MEET UP WITH BLAINE...

"THEY"? HE'S NOT ALONE ?!

HEH HEH HEH. LONG TIME NO SEE, BLUE!

KOGA!! LT. SURGE!! SABRINA!!

AFTER THE BATTLE AT SILPH CO., I HEARD THAT THEY COULDN'T EVEN LOCATE YOUR BODIES... THEN IT WAS A *TRICK?!!*

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ?!

!

LET'S SAVE THE DETAILS FOR LATER. AT THE MOMENT, I HEAR THE FOOT-STEPS OF OUR NEW GUESTS...

HENH

IT SEEMS OUR ISLAND HAS SOME VISITORS, LANCE.

BY THE WAY, WHERE'S BRUNO?

HMPH. NO MATTER.

CALL HIM BACK RIGHT *NOW*!

STILL SEARCHING FOR RED ON MOUNT MOON. HE'S SUCH A ROMANTIC! HE SAYS, "*I MUST SETTLE THIS BATTLE.*"

ZSH

HYOOOOOO

NO FOE HAS EVER...

...MADE MY BLOOD RUSH LIKE YOU!

RED !!

WHERE ARE YOU?!

I STILL REMEM-BER...

HYOOOOOO

HMM...

ACCORDING TO THE MAP FROM THE ***CHALLENGE LETTER***... YUP! THIS OUGHTA BE THE PLACE!!

WHOEVER SENT ME THIS CHALLENGE— I'M ***HEEEEERE*** !!

HEL- ***LOOOOO!!*** I'M RED FROM PALLET TOWN!

)HSST

SHOOT. DON'T TELL ME IT'S A PRANK !

EEERREEE

EEEERREEE

EEEEREE

...

NO. IT IS NO PRANK.

GLINT

GGGGGG

WHERE—?!

WHIRL!

TOP

HYA!

PT

WAAAAAAGH!!

GRNG GRNG GRNG

YOU MEAN I WALKED RIGHT UP AND DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE?!

SO THAT *PILE OF ROCKS...* WAS ACTUALLY YOUR BACK!

ONIX!

GGGGGG...

JUST A LITTLE TEST... RED OF PALLET TOWN.

YOU HAVE GOOD REFLEXES, AT LEAST.

MY NAME IS BRUNO... OF THE ELITE FOUR!!

SKHIK

KLINK

BUT I DO NOT LIKE SURPRISE ATTACKS. MY FIRST POKÉMON IS IN THIS BALL... CHOOSE YOURS ***NOW.***

CHK

VRLLLL

YOH !

HYAAAAH!!

FOOOO

LISTEN—I'M ALWAYS UP FOR A GOOD BATTLE, BUT AREN'T YOU EVEN GOING TO EXPLAIN WHY YOU SENT THAT CHALLENGE LETTER? AND WHAT'S THIS *"ELITE FOUR"* ANYWAY?

CHUNNG

VNNN

YOU EVADE THE MULTIDIRECTIONAL NUNCHUCKS WITH ASTONISHING EASE.

NOW TRY HITMON-LEE'S SECOND WEAPON...

CHNNK

CHNNK

THE RUMORS OF YOUR SKILL DO NOT DO YOU JUSTICE.

HA... HA HA HA HA.

SNORT

RG

HE ISN'T EVEN LISTENING!

TM..

HIGH JUMP KICK !!

VWOOM

TAP

GO FOR THE KNEES !

TAKE 'EM ONE MORE TIME WITH ***THUNDER WAVE***, PIKA!!

BA

K

SORRY... BUT THAT IS NOT THE KNEE.

BII BII

YEAH !

HA HA HA. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE EVEN TO LOCATE THE KNEES OF A HITMONLEE !

TOP

DUP

PII !

GWAH

WHEE

!

WA HA HA HA HA!

...

BUT THEY WERE ALL SO BORING.

THESE TWO YEARS AFTER WINNING THE POKÉMON LEAGUE... I'VE ACCEPTED A LOT OF CHAL-LENGES...

I DUNNO... IT'S LIKE...

SSS

SNORT

...THAT I'VE FELT THIS ALIVE!

IT'S BEEN A WHILE... I GUESS EVER SINCE MY BATTLE WITH BLUE...

USSH

THIS TIME IT'S MY TURN !!

VNN VNN VNN

HRRAAAAAH!!

VWOOM

WITH THOSE NUNCHUCKS AND HITMONLEE'S LEGS, HE CAN KEEP HIS OPPONENT CONSTANTLY OFF BALANCE!

HE'S STARTED TO SPIN HIS NUNCHUCKS!! CHANGING POKÉMON? OR WILL HE TRY TO FOOL ME...AND NOT CHANGE?!

WHAT A SIMPLE WAY TO ENHANCE A POKÉMON'S SPEED!

BUT THE WAY THOSE NUNCHUCKS STRETCH, HE CAN OPEN A POKÉ BALL RIGHT IN FRONT OF HIS OPPONENT... AND BRING IT FROM *ANY* DIRECTION!

A NORMAL TRAINER HAS TO RELEASE HIS POKÉMON MAYBE SIX FEET AWAY AT THE MOST...

VOW

HYAH!

OF COURSE... YOU DON'T MASTER SOMETHING LIKE THAT WITHOUT A LOT OF TRAINING!

GNNG

BOM

HITMON-CHAN !!

ALL RIGHT! HE CHANGED !

GNG

CATCH IT!!

POLI !

BOM

PAPPITA PAPPITA PAPPITA PAPPITA

DOUBLE-SLAP !

PAPPITA PAPPITA PAPPITA

GRRG

USSSH

PAPPITA PAPPITA PAPPITA PAPPITA

LOOKS GOOD! IF THAT'S AS HARD AS THEY CAN HIT... POLIWRATH'S PALMS CAN EASILY COUNTER THEM!

POLIWRATH MATCHES UP AGAINST HIS FIGHTING POKÉMON!

...

IF WE COUNTER WITH DOUBLESLAP FOR EVERY ATTACK, THEY'LL RUN OUT OF HEALTH FIRST!

OKAY...

KEEP GOING...

NOPE— NOT GONNA WORK!

VOON

VOON

GRIP

GRIP

ZZZZZ...

!!

BZZT

BWOOF

DOMP

WHAT ?!

WHILE THE RIGHT FIST WAS FLINGING FIRE PUNCH... THE LEFT WAS JABBING WITH ***THUNDER-PUNCH!***

JAB JAB

NOT SHOWING YOUR OPPONENT ALL YOUR ATTACKS IS A USEFUL TACTIC.

PRETTY IMPRESSIVE. I DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE.

THE DAMAGE ACCUMULATED WHILE YOU WERE WATCHING THE LESS-EFFECTIVE FIRE PUNCH!

WHICH IS ESPECIALLY DAMAGING FOR A WATER-TYPE POKÉMON... LIKE YOUR POLIWRATH!


KCH
OKAY THEN!
GYARADOS!!
BOM
VIP
ONIX!
BOM
VIP
HYOOOOOOOOOOOO
YOU SPOKE TRULY!
THE SENSATION OF A TRULY GREAT BATTLE STIRRING THE BLOOD!
I FEEL THE SAME!

...

I HAVE SEARCHED LONG FOR AN OPPONENT OF YOUR CALIBER!

FOR ME, BATTLE IS EVERY-THING!

THIS IS A FIGHT BETWEEN MEN!

WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO HELP YOU?! HE HE HEH...

SOBB SOBB

PLEASE! HOLD ON!! OH NO...

KLANG KLANG

THE POOR THING SEEMS TO BE SUFFERING FROM INDUSTRIAL WASTE POLLUTION.

SHLOOOOO

GO AHEAD, GASTLY... AND DRINK UP!

IT MIGHT BE TOXIC TO OTHER POKÉMON... BUT IT'S A DELICACY TO GASTLY, WHO WAS BORN FROM INDUSTRIAL SMOG!

KLANG KLANG

I DON'T KNOW WHAT SORT OF FACTORY THEY'RE BUILDING... BUT HUMANS CAN DO SOME *AWFUL* THINGS.

PWAP PWAP

OH...! THANK YOU!

THEN WHY DON'T YOU BECOME MY COHORT ?

YOU FEEL HATRED FOR THOSE WHO POISON THE HABITAT OF YOUR POKÉMON, DON'T YOU? YOU DESPISE THEM?

NO, NO... I WAS JUST... REMINISC-ING...

SOME-THING THE MATTER, LORELEI ?

...

A CO-HORT !

GWOOOOOO

...ABOUT THE DAY WE MET.

67 Can You Diglett?

BOING

HMPH !

BLOOS

HYDRO PUMP !

YES... IF ONLY !

A WATER ATTACK OUGHTA DO IT... IF IT'LL ONLY HIT!

PITY INDEED...

TMM

HWOOO

PITY THAT YOU CANNOT FOLLOW THIS SPEED!!

GGGGG...

...

GWRRLLL

GYARA-DOS! HOLD ON!

G.GWRR

...THAT WE CAN MAKE IT ***IMPOSSIBLE*** FOR YOU TO ATTACK !!

HWOOO

CH

OMP

OH-HO!!
THEN TRY
THIS!!

SHHHHH

DISAP-
PEARED...!!
NO...
WAIT!!

NNNXXX

SLLLP

AKH
!!

THEY'VE
GONE
UNDER-
GROUND
!

ONIX
Rock Snake Pokémon
HEIGHT: 28'10"
WEIGHT: 463 LBS.
No. 095
Digs through the earth at up to 50 miles per hour in search of food.

THEY SAY ONIX CAN BURROW AT SPEEDS UP TO 50 MILES PER HOUR!

IT COULD BURST OUT FROM ANYWHERE! SO... OKAY THEN!!

TOP

PSH

REST UP A LITTLE, GYARADOS.

FWAH

BOM

THIS WAY WE'LL BE ABLE TO CATCH IT NO MATTER WHICH DIRECTION IT COMES FROM!

VISSH

AT LEAST VENU-SAUR'S *VINES* WILL!

VWRRR

HOOM

ZZZ GNNNNN

VWRRRRR

BRAVO, RED! BUT... YOU KNOW THAT IMMENSE STRENGTH IS NEEDED FOR A TUG OF WAR WITH ONIX!

TUP

ALL VINES TOGETH-ER!

ARE YOU HERE ?

!

YOUR BACK IS UNDE-FENDED !!

KRAAOOM

AAAAA-A!

ZA-BOOM

!!

OH NO— THE TAIL !!

WHOOOO

BUT WHERE'D THE ONIX GO?!

THE TUNNEL THAT ONIX BURROWED THROUGH!

PLAK

KLAKK

WHOOOOO

WHOOOOO

IT'S SPLIT UP INTO MULTIPLE BRANCHES !

DDGGG

DDDD

HERE IT COMES...

CAREFUL, VENUSAUR !

THE TUNNELS GO BOTH VERTICALLY AND HORIZON-TALLY !

WRAAAAAAAH!!

SK

RIK

?!

TIME-OUT.

UNTIL THESE FELLOWS FINISH CROSSING.

DIGLETT DIG

DIGLETT DIG

ONIX
Rock Snake Pokémon
HEIGHT: 28'10"
WEIGHT: 463 LBS.
No. 095
The tunnels left behind become a favorite habitat of Diglett.
DIGLETT THRIVE IN THE TUNNELS DUG BY ONIX...
DIG-LETT...
DIG DIG
DUGTRIO CULTIVATE THE SOIL, ENABLING GREENERY TO GROW.
DIGLETDIG
DIGLETDIG
...AND THERE, IN TIME, BECOME DUGTRIO.
NOW... LET US CON-TINUE THIS MATCH!
THE POKÉMON TEACH US A GREAT DEAL ABOUT THE INTER-CONNECTEDNESS OF LIFE. YOU WOULD DO WELL TO HEED THE LESSON, YOUNG MAN.
HEH

YOU'RE ON!

!

GHAAH !

UNGH !

FUMP

SSSHHH

HA HA HA HA HA.

BRUNO!! WHAT'S WRONG ?!

WHO ARE YOU ?!

THAT STORY... IS SO BRUNO! ALL THOSE WISE WORDS ABOUT POKÉMON AND THE CIRCLE OF LIFE... *TEE-HEE!*

HOW CAN ONIX COEXIST WITH HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS, RED?! AND IF ONIX BECOME EXTINCT, THEN WON'T DIGLETT AND DUGTRIO FOLLOW?! AND THEN THE PLANTS... THE TREES...?!

BUT WILL HUMANS EVER LISTEN?! WILL THEY STOP EXPANDING OR TRYING TO MAKE LIFE MORE CONVENIENT FOR THEMSELVES?! WILL THEY EVER STOP DESTROYING POKÉMON'S HABITATS?!

JUST THIS... THAT MAYBE IT'S TOO HARD FOR HUMANS AND POKÉMON TO COEXIST!

W- WHAT'S YOUR POINT ?!

SHF

AND...

HEH... THAT WOULD BE A POKÉ-MON PARA-DISE !

JUST A HANDFUL OF SKILLED TRAINERS WHO LIVED FOR POKÉMON... AND THE REST OF THE HUMAN RACE ***GONE***...

WHAT IS *THAT* DOING HERE?!

BUT... BUT THAT'S... !!

PWAK

THE DEVICE THAT CAN MAKE IT COME TRUE... IS THIS!

AND THE LAST ONE TO SEE THE HOLDER OF THE EIGHTH TRAINER BADGE... GIOVANNI!!

RED... THE NINTH ANNUAL POKÉMON LEAGUE CHAMPION...

WHERE IS GIOVANNI?! WE NEED THAT EIGHTH BADGE... THAT EARTH BADGE... FOR THIS ENERGY AMPLIFIER!

NOW! TELL US!

THAT IS THE REASON WE CALLED YOU HERE!!


THE VIRIDIAN CITY GYM LEADER...AND THE LEADER OF TEAM ROCKET... THAT I DEFEATED TWO YEARS AGO!!
GIOVANNI !!


...SO THEY CAN POWER THE TRAINER BADGE ENERGY AMPLIFIER!!
THEY WANT HIM... AND HIS EARTH BADGE...

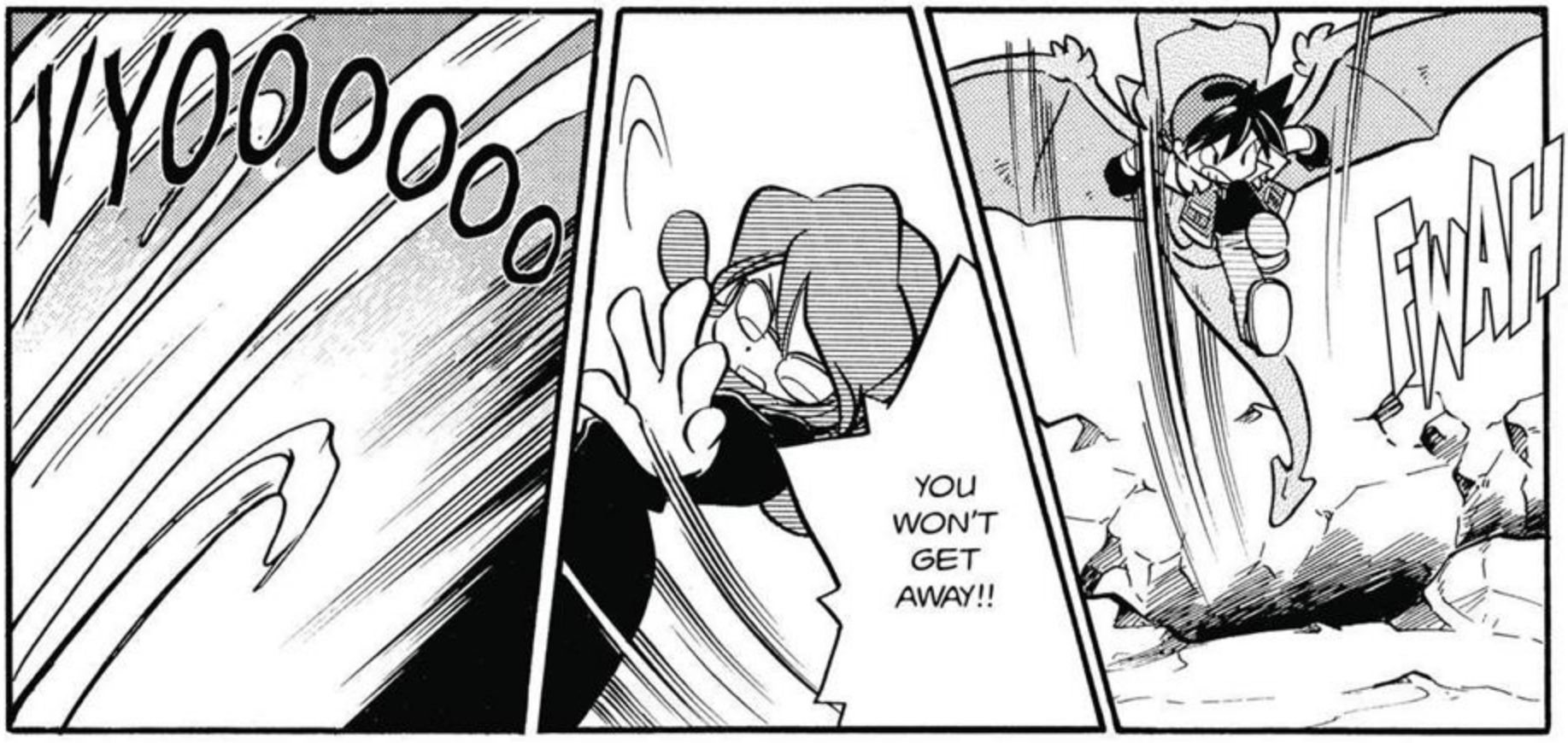

THEY DID SOMETHING TO BRUNO!!


GLANCE


FIRST I'VE GOT TO GET OUT...AND LURE THEM OUT!!


I WANT TO HELP HIM... BUT THEY'VE GOT ME AT A DIS-ADVANTAGE IN THIS CONFINED SPACE!!

68 Jigglypuff Jive



LLLOT

SNORT

WHIP

NOW... TELL ME WHERE GIOVANNI IS.

DON'T...KNOW! AFTER... FOUGHT HIM...LOST CONSCIOUSNESS! CAME TO AND...BEING HELPED...BY PEOPLE IN...VIRIDIAN CITY!

GNNN

I WILL TELL YOU OUR SECOND OBJECTIVE FOR CALLING YOU HERE!

BWAM

I SEE. YOUR EYES TELL ME THAT YOU ARE NOT LYING... VERY WELL THEN.

NO !

GNNG

THEN YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT YOU DON'T KNOW THE LOCATION OF EITHER GIOVANNI OR HIS BADGE ?!

...WHETHER YOU MIGHT BE GOOD ENOUGH TO RECRUIT INTO OUR RANKS!

WE KNEW THAT YOU MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO GIVE US INFORMATION ABOUT GIOVANNI. BUT WE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE WORTH SEEING...

KOFF KOFF

S-SECOND... OBJEC-TIVE ?!

BRUNO DID HIS JOB OF *MEASURING YOUR SKILL* PERFECTLY.

YOU'RE ON!

AND YOUR BATTLE WITH BRUNO JUST NOW... WAS TRULY MAGNIF-ICENT.

WE'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU FOR TWO YEARS NOW, EVER SINCE THE TOURNA-MENT.

NOT A BAD BRAIN EITHER. THAT COULD SERVE US WELL...

YOU'RE TELLING ME...THAT THE LETTER OF CHALLENGE WITH BRUNO'S NAME...WAS JUST PART OF ***YOUR*** PLAN?!

!

BOM

BOM

IF YOU THINK I'D JOIN YOU— YOU DON'T ***KNOW*** ME YET!!

HIT-MON-LEE!

GASTLY!!

BY THE NUMBERS IT'S AN EQUAL THREE TO THREE... BUT IT WON'T WORK OUT THE WAY YOU HOPE.

DOOOM

?!

YOU SEE, A TRAINER WITH OUR ABILITY IS DANGEROUS. YOU'D HAVE BEEN MUCH SMARTER TO JOIN US.

TOO BAD, RED. I ONLY ASK ONCE. YOU WON'T HAVE A CHANCE FOR A CHANGE OF HEART.

KRAK

BATTLE FORMATION... ICE-FIGHTING-GHOST !!

DOOM DOOM DOOM

ARGH— THAT LIGHT !!

VENUSAUR!! POLIWRATH!! GYRADOS!!

W-WHAT IS THIS...?!

VROOO

NOT ONE OF THEM CAN HAVE WITHSTOOD THOSE ATTACKS. NOW... IT WILL BE YOUR TURN.

IT'S NO USE, RED.

A DOLL OF... ME?!

SSSS

I'M TRULY SORRY IT HAD TO COME TO THIS. BUT AS LONG AS YOU WON'T JOIN US, IT CAN'T BE HELPED.

KI

SQUIK

AGH! C-CAN'T MOVE MY FEET... MY HANDS...

AND FOR GOOD MEASURE, LET'S ENVELOP THIS MOUNTAIN WITH A MIST OF ILLUSION.

SQUIK

JUST IN CASE... I'LL DO THIS TOO.

SSSSSS

OH, THAT'S RIGHT. YOU HAD ONE MORE POKÉMON, DIDN'T YOU, RED?

B... BLAST IT!!

HWOOO

WE CAN'T BEAR TO WATCH YOU BEING DEFEATED, RED. BRUNO, WE'RE LEAVING THE REST TO YOU.

...

GRRR

BRUNO! SNAP OUT OF IT! YOU'RE BEING CONTROLLED BY THEM!

KIIIIIIIII

BOM

HE'S NOT HEARING ME! PIKA! I'M COUNTING ON YOU!!

PIKA! YOUR FEET TOO... ?!

NNNG...

GWNNNN

KRAK

!

KRRIKK

PLAK PLAK PLAK

KABOOM

!

GASP

GWOAH

...

GOOOM

GUH
!

PIIII
!

FWWP

PIIII
!

HYOOo

PI
!

UHH...
HHH...

WOBBLE

PAK
PAK

DON'T... COME!

PWIK

KIND OF... PUTS ALL MY PLANS ON ICE... HEH...

PAK
PAK

PAK
PAK

ICE CRYSTALS... ON MY HANDS AND FEET... THEY'RE SPREADING...

SSSSSS

KI

BEFORE THEY FREEZE YOU TOO!!

LISTEN, PIKA! RUN WHILE YOU STILL CAN!!

HURRY! THEIR ONE MISTAKE WAS THAT THEY ONLY BOUND YOUR FEET!

SHAKE SHAKE

THEY'RE PLANNING TO PUNISH THE HUMAN RACE! WE CAN'T LET THEM DO THAT!!

SSSHHH...

GO SOME-PLACE WARM AND MELT THE ICE ON YOUR PAWS... THEN GO TO THE PROFESSOR IN PALLET TOWN...AND TELL HIM ABOUT THIS...

THEY FOR-GOT YOUR TAIL WORKS LIKE A RADAR! YOU'LL BE ABLE TO CLIMB DOWN THE MOUNTAIN EVEN IN THIS FOG!

GO! *HURRY* !!

PII!

RRRIP

THAT'S IT... JUST GET TO PALLET TOWN... SOME-HOW... !

VSSH

SSH

THOD

FLUTTER

CUZ... YOU CAN'T SPEAK HUMAN WORDS... CAN YOU...?

WOBBLE

TINK

TINK

NNNG...

AND TRY TO FIND SOME WAY... TO MAKE THE PROFESSOR UNDERSTAND... WHAT'S GOING ON... BUT...BUT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO DO THAT...?

IF ONLY... THERE WERE A TRAINER... WHO COULD READ...YOUR THOUGHTS...

TINK

TINK

PIKA... DID YOU HAVE THE DREAM AGAIN?

HUF HUF HUF

GASP!

HUF HUF

PIKA... I KNOW YOU'RE TRYING TO TELL ME SOMETHING. BUT WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO TELL ME, PIKA?

?!

WELL, WELL... WHAT'S GETTING YOU DOWN ?!!

FFF FFF

!

HWII

FFF

FFF

!

TOMP

OOOOOW.

TAP

MISS GREEN...

...AND BILL ?!

69 Playing Horsea

HEY, YELLOW. WE HEARD YOU MIGHT BE HAVING SOME TROUBLE...

W'LL HOWDY! LONG TIME NO SEE!

PLUS IT'S AN EXCUSE FOR A VACATION... TO THE HEAD-QUARTER ISLAND OF THE ***ELITE FOUR.***

STRATEGY. WELL, WELL. YOU'VE LEARNED A THING OR TWO.

I CAME ASHORE IN THE AFTERNOON. I PLANNED TO HIDE UNTIL IT GOT DARK.

SWWP

FEELS LIKE JACKET WEATHER ON CERISE ISLAND, *EH?*

ANYWAY, NOW THAT ***GREEN'S*** HERE, THE ENEMY'S GOING TO HAVE TO THINK TWICE!

I STILL DON'T QUITE TRUST THIS HERE ***GREEN***... BUT SHE SURE TOLD THE TRUTH ABOUT KNOWIN' YELLOW...

...NOT TO MENTION THE ONE WHO HELPED US WHEN WE WERE FIGHTIN' LORELEI.

PSSH

SHUD

SO IN THAT CASE... MAYBE IT'S REALLY TRUE WHAT SHE SAID ABOUT YELLOW REALLY BEIN'...

...

...AN' I RECKON SHE ***WAS*** THE ONE WHO SENT YELLOW OUT ON THIS QUEST...

WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE! LET'S GO, JIGGLY !

TUG

WELL, SHE JUST SORTA... DROPPED IN ON ME. AND THE NEXT THING I KNEW...

BILL? WHY ARE ***YOU*** WITH GREEN ?

PUF

PUF

WAGH !

AH !

PFOOOO

PUF

HORRRRRS...

HORSEA! SMOKE-SCREEN PLEASE!

NEEEEIGH

AND NOW...

CHIK

PER-
FECT
!

PFFFFF

?

CHIK

WE CAN'T BE TOO CAREFUL HERE. TAKE A LOOK.

PFF PFF

DONCHA THINK THIS IS A LITTLE OVERKILL?

!!

JIGGLY AIRLINES ISN'T THE QUICKEST WAY TO TRAVEL, BUT IT'S THE QUIETEST! OKAY, YELLOW—WHICH WAY DO WE GO?

VWIP VWIP

YOU GOT IT.

SO THAT'S WHY IT'S SO COLD! WE'D BE FIGHTIN' EVERY STEP IF WE WERE ON THE GROUND!

FFFF

FFFF

UMM... WELL... I DO HAVE A MAP... BUT...

GWIII

BILL! DON'T MOVE AROUND SO MUCH! IT'S TIGHT ENOUGH AS IT IS!

PLEASE! GIMME A LOOK AT THAT!

??

... I DON'T KNOW HOW TO READ IT! I THINK IT MAY BE... THIS WAY?

FFFFF

NKH !

HEY NOW! IF I DON'T TRY TO—

WATCH IT!

VWIP VWIP

?

BLAST IT ALL!

poik

FLUTTERRR

OH NO! THE *MAP!*

?

?

?

PLEASE THROW IT AWAY!

THROW IT AWAY!

THROW IT AWAY! C'MON!

AAAAAAH!!

CHOMP

LOOK!

THIS IS ALL *YOUR* FAULT, BILL!

WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO NOW?!

PERHAPS IT WILL TELL WHAT'S HAPPENED TO ITS TRAINER?

WHERE'S IT GOIN'?

SLOHHHB

...

WE'RE SUNK!

WHAT SHOULD WE DO, GREEN?

PLIP

HORSEA
!

POING

ARE YOU CRAZY? HOW DO WE FOLLOW WHAT WE CAN'T SEE?!!

WHEN WE HAVE ENOUGH DISTANCE, WE'LL FOLLOW!

WE'LL WAIT HERE UNTIL THE SLOWBRO IS OUT OF SIGHT!

THAT'S WHERE HORSEA COMES IN! WE'RE GOING TO FOLLOW THAT TRAIL OF INK!!

OHHH YEAH !

PLIP

LET'S HURRY. EVEN AS WE SPEAK, THE CITIES OF CERULEAN, PEWTER AND CELADON ARE SUSTAINING CONTINUED ATTACK.

HORSEA! GET OUT OF THERE QUICK IF IT TURNS DANGER-OUS!

TANGELA
!

SHWRLL

WOOOO

GLUP

GNNG

GLUP

GNNG

GLUP

GNNSH

GNNSH

NOW–
BIND
!

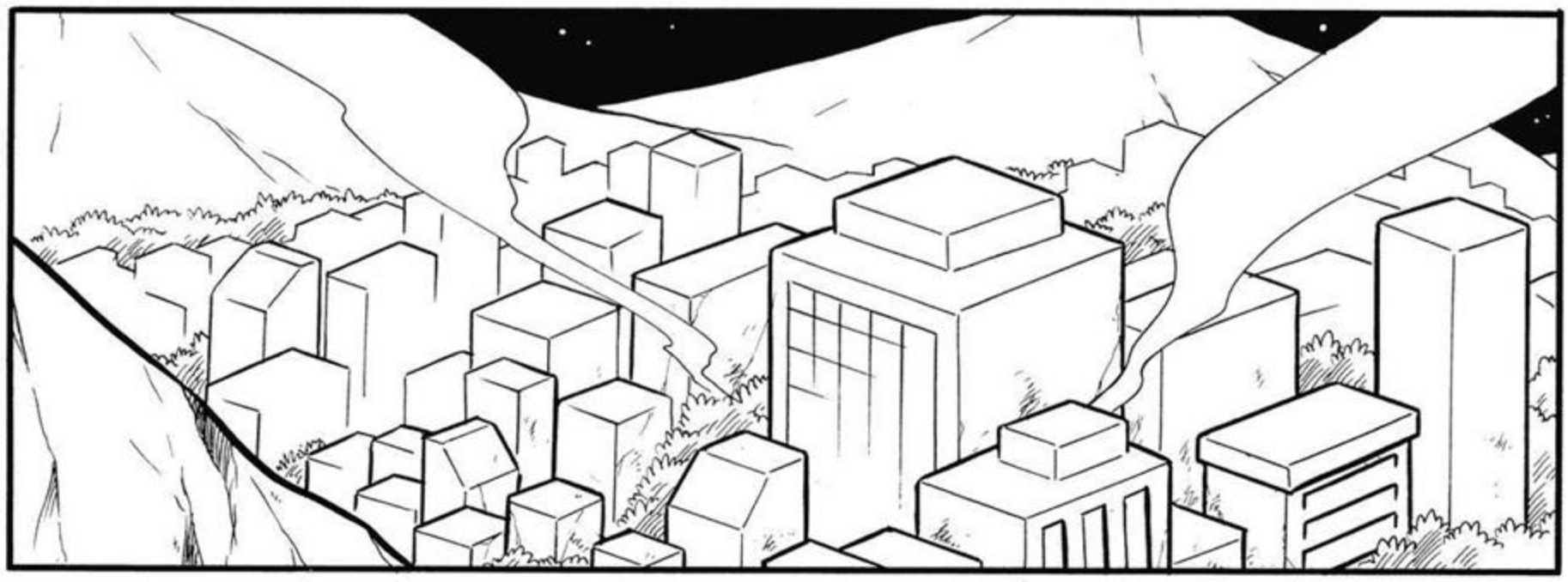
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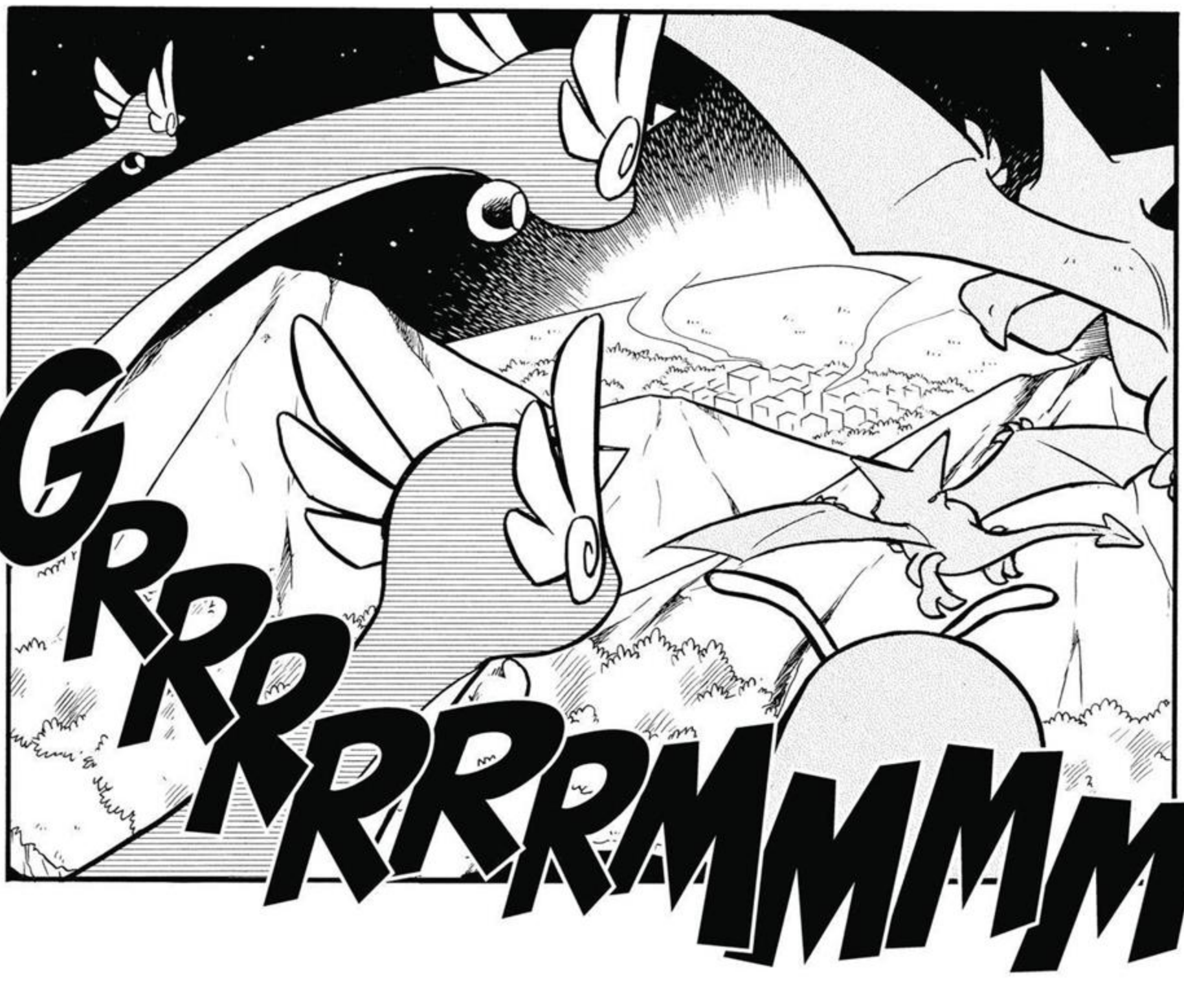
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NGH... IT'S NOT WORKING...!

BLOOSH





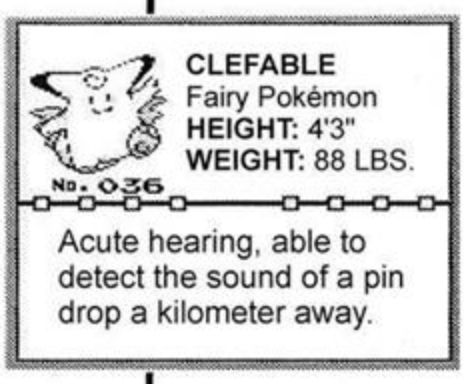

GRRRRRMMMM

FFF FFF

WE SHOULD BE COMING TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ISLAND SOON.

DID HORSEA GO...***INSIDE?!*** WE CAN'T RISK JUST DASHING IN AFTER... WE'VE GOT TO LEARN ***MORE!***

THAT'S GOTTA BE IT.



CLEFABLE
Fairy Pokémon
HEIGHT: 4'3"
WEIGHT: 88 LBS.
No. 036

Acute hearing, able to detect the sound of a pin drop a kilometer away.

IT HAS EXTREMELY SENSITIVE HEARING. IT MUST HAVE HEARD... SOME-THING.

A CLEF-ABLE...?

!

RATTLE RATTLE

MMMM

OKAY!

NOD

YELLOW!

I CAN HEAR... VOICES... PEOPLE TALKING...

THE CLEFABLE'S EXPRESSION... IT IS SURPRISED BUT NOT AFRAID.

SOMEONE WE KNOW... SOMEONE CLEFABLE ISN'T AFRAID OF... ONE OF OUR ALLIES?!

NOD

IT IS SOMEONE WE KNOW, IS IT NOT?

WHOEVER IT IS, WE CAN USE 'EM! WITH THE GOOD GYM LEADERS STUCK DEFENDING THEIR CITIES, WE'RE SHORT ON STRENGTH!

LET'S GO FIND OUT!

O-OVER THERE !

!

WELL. HELLO THERE.

!

SABRINA...
KOGA...
LT. SURGE...
BLAINE...
AND...
BLUE?!!

70 Allied by Alakazam!

THESE ARE GREEN AND BILL. THEY FOLLOWED ME AND CAME TO HELP.

I'M GLAD YOU GOT HERE SAFELY, YELLOW... BUT WHO ARE THESE TWO WITH YOU?

LT. SURGE, KOGA AND SABRINA.... FORMER MEMBERS OF TEAM ROCKET. WE'VE JUST MET UP HERE TOO.

AH, YES...

AND MAY I ASK... WHO ARE THEY?

YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY WE'RE HERE? SIMPLE. WE WANT TO DEFEAT THE ELITE FOUR TOO. AND THAT'S ALL.

HA!

SNORT

HEH HEH HEH!

?

DEFEAT THE ELITE FOUR ?!

!

!

WE CAN'T HAVE THAT IN AN AREA ***WE'RE*** SUPPOSED TO CONTROL !!

BUT THEN THE MAINLAND COMES UNDER ATTACK. PEOPLE ARE BEING HURT.

JUST BEFORE THE SILPH COMPANY BUILDING COLLAPSED, WE ALL SLIPPED OUT...

...AND HAVE BEEN REBUILDING, WAITING FOR OUR NEXT CHANCE !!

YOU ***FOOLS*** ACTUALLY THOUGHT YOU HAD ELIMINATED TEAM ROCKET, DIDN'T YOU? *HENH.*

I SUPPOSE WE SHOULD LET YOU IN ON IT.

IF YOU PROMISE NOT TO GET IN OUR WAY... THEN...

...JUST THIS ONCE, WE'LL DEIGN TO WORK WITH YOU.

YOU DID COME HERE TO DEFEAT THE ELITE FOUR TOO, I TRUST?

HEE HEE HEE

THE *ENEMY OF MY ENEMY* IS MY FRIEND, EH?

GULP

!

IF WE CAN WORK WITH THEM, WE'LL BE A POWERFUL TEAM. BUT, OF COURSE, IF IT'S A TRICK...

I'VE GOT TO ADMIT... THEIR ETHICS MAY NOT BE MUCH, BUT THEIR COMBAT SKILLS ARE PRETTY IMPRESSIVE.

IS IT NOW ?

SHK

DEIGN TO WORK WITH US, *HUH?* THAT'S WHAT ***WE*** SHOULD BE SAYING.

I CAME HERE FOR ONE REASON... TO NAIL THIS AGATHA OF THE ELITE FOUR WITH HER GRUDGE AGAINST MY GRANDFATHER. THAT'S IT.

IF YOU GIVE YOUR WORD NOT TO STAND IN THE WAY OF THAT, THEN I DON'T CARE ***WHAT*** YOU DO.

HEH. SO IT'S SETTLED THEN.

ZZZMMM

SWSH

ALA-KAZAM !!

W-WHAT IS THIS ?!

Tp

?

Tp

Tp

!!

DO ***YOU*** GET IT?

INTERESTING, SABRINA... THE *"SPOONS OF DESTINY."*

SINCE THERE ARE EIGHT OF US, WE WILL TAKE THEM ON IN GROUPS OF TWO.

WITH THE MAINLAND UNDER ATTACK, YOU MIGHT HAVE ASSUMED CERISE WAS LIGHTLY DEFENDED. IN FACT, NONE OF THE ELITE FOUR HAVE MOVED FROM THE ISLAND.

WHAT ?!

ALAKAZAM WILL SENSE YOUR THOUGHTS AND PAIR YOU UP ACCORDING TO THE SPOONS OF DESTINY!!

NOW THAT YOU HOLD THAT SPOON, FOCUS YOUR WILL TO FIGHT.

NOD

...

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND RED... BY DEFEATING THE ELITE FOUR WHOM HE FOUGHT!!

!

!

GWONG
GWONG

GNNN
GNNN
GNNN
GNNN
GNNN

THE FIRST PAIR...

HEH HEH !

...

TWIIIIIII

THE SECOND AND THIRD PAIRS! SO IT'S DECIDED !

...

HOW AMUSING... WE'VE BEEN GIVEN OUR FOE FROM THE SILPH COMPANY BATTLE...

...

PLIP

GLANCE GLANCE

BLINK

WAIT A MINUTE! I NEVER AGREED TO THIS NONSENSE! I—

THE SPOON OF DESTINY WILL NOT REACT TO ONE WHO DOES NOT HAVE THE WILL TO FIGHT...OR IS NOT WORTHY OF A PARTNER!

TNNNG

IT'S NOT BENT !!

IF THE PATTERN HOLDS TRUE, I SUPPOSE MY PARTNER SHOULD BE ***RED***. BUT SINCE HE ISN'T AVAILABLE... *HA HA HA...*

SHOVE

TMM

HUH. MINE'S NOT BENT EITHER!

TWIK

HEYYYYY– !!

WHAT– ?!

WHOAH WHOAH WHOAH

TMM TMM

...WE'RE LEFT WITH EACH OTHER!! COME ON!!

...

ZSH

NOW... ACCORDING TO OUR RECONNAISSANCE, THIS CAVE CONTINUES DEEP INTO THE HEART OF THE ISLAND LIKE A MAZE.

THE FOUR GROUPS WILL SPLIT UP HERE AND LOOK FOR THE HEAD-QUARTERS SEPA-RATELY.

BLUE'S DETER-MINED!

NOD

YES, SIR!

TMM

AND YOU, YELLOW?

HOO BOY!

COME ON!

THEN LET'S BE OFF.

DEFEAT THE ELITE FOUR!!

HEH HEH... HOW LONG SINCE WE FOUGHT, BLUE? TWO YEARS?

YOU HAD A NASTY LOOK IN YOUR EYES EVEN THEN... BUT NOTHING COMPARED TO NOW!

PLINK!

AND YOU TALK EVEN LESS! HAH!

...

SWSH

KOGA... WHILE WE STILL CAN, LET ME RETURN SOMETHING TO YOU.

FWPP

BAT BAT BAT BAT

HA HA HA! I APPRECIATE IT!

BAT

GOLL

WITH *SUPERSONIC*, IT CAN PROJECT THE IMAGES IT DETECTED INTO ITS MOUTH!

BAT BAT BAT BAT BAT BAT BAT

KW

NOW, GOLBAT... TELL ME...

ZPP

ZSH

WHERE IS OUR ENEMY ?!

71 Muk Raking

GLINT

TOK

HWRLLLLLL

VYOOO

AH!! THERE !!

ARBOK! THAT MEANS OUR OPPONENT IS...

!

ARRRB

AGATHA !!

SSSS

CHK

GLEEM

ONE OF MY POKÉMON IS ALREADY THERE!

SMIRK

HOLD IT!

THAT'S ONE OF MY SECRET NINJA WEAPONS...

IT'S A—!

THE POKÉ BALL NINJA STAR!!

BOM

ARBOK VS. ARBOK!

EE HE HE HE HE!! **LEER** THEM DOWN, MY ARBOK !!

ARRRRRR

READY !

BOK

VERY WELL THEN !

GIVING COMMANDS FROM HIDING, *EH?* AND HITTING US WITH **LEER** TO WEAKEN OUR DEFENSES–?!

HAZE !!

WELL, AGATHA? WHAT NOW? COME OUT, COME OUT WHEREVER YOU ARE!

GOOD STRATEGY. HAZE TO NEGATE LEER'S EFFECTS.

MAKING YOU SO EASY TO ***PIN-POINT!***

HEEE HEE HEE HEE! YOU YOUNG ONES ARE SO ***NOISY!***

WHERE IS SHE?!

DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE TEN YEARS TOO YOUNG EVEN TO ***DREAM*** OF INTERFERING WITH THE PLANS OF THE ELITE FOUR?!

OH, DID I FORGET TO MENTION...

SNEER

GGGGGGGGG

FEEL THE FURY OF MY ATTACK! ***ROCK SLIDE !!***

!

BUT IN HERE...I CAN GIVE YOU SOMETHING EXTRA!!

STALAC-TITES !!

!

PSSH... SHH...

EEE HEE HEE.

NORMALLY ROCK SLIDE ONLY BRINGS BOULDERS RAINING DOWN...

GGGGGG

THOD

BLACH

NKH !

GOLBAT !

!

GGGGGG

SHLOOORP

!

LICK
!!

SSSS

GASP

YOU KNOW WHAT THE *LICK* ATTACK DOES, DON'T YOU?

EEE HEE HEE! BLUE, I TOLD YOU BEFORE!! LOOKING OUT FOR OTHERS ONLY BRINGS MISERY TO YOURSELF!

A... GENGAR ?!

WHEREVER IT TOUCHES... IT *PARALYZES* !!

DM DM DM DM

EEE HEE HEE HEE! DON'T YOU MOVE NOW!

GH... NH...

MY ROCK SLIDE ISN'T OVER YET!!

N... NO !

DM DM DM DM

N... NO!

TNK

DM DM DM

SSSHHHH

BLAST IT... HE'S HIDDEN FROM SIGHT... THAT WAS THE PLAN, WASN'T IT? TO SEPARATE US...

BLUE!! HEY!!

MY... EYES... THEY WON'T OPEN !

...

SHHK

BOM

GOLDUCK, RETURN! WE CAN'T RISK DOING THIS BLIND!

BAT

OKAY, GOLBAT. I'VE LOST MY SIGHT... SO I NEED YOUR SUPERSONIC TO GUIDE US!

RIGHT AFTER I GIVE YOU BACK TO KOGA... I'M PAIRED WITH YOU!

!!

MWRIINNNN

FIND AGATHA !

IT'S A SOUND WAVE TO COUNTER OURS!! THAT MEANS...

KRIIIIIIII

A DIFFERENT SOUND WAVE?!

VSH

IT'S ANOTHER GOLBAT!

SWSH

GAH !!

VASH

AND HOW MIGHT YOU BE TODAY...

...FUCHSIA CITY GYM LEADER KOGA?

SSSSSSSSSS

HEE HEE HEE.

WE ARE BOTH SNAKE TRAINERS, YOU AND I...

OF COURSE, THE SKILL LEVEL OF A MERE GYM LEADER AND A MEMBER OF THE ELITE FOUR CAN SCARCELY BE COMPARED.

HMMM

SO YOU'RE AGATHA...

?

WOOOOZ

AS YOU ARE ABOUT TO LEARN.

PFFFF

THE PATTERN ON ITS SKIN—IT *CHANGED* !!

KRAK

!!

THAT'S RIGHT. *HEE HEE HEE.*

YOU KNOW THAT ARBOK HAS MANY DIFFERENT MARKINGS, YES?

ARBOK
Cobra Pokémon
HEIGHT: 11'6"
WEIGHT: 143 LBS.
No. 024

It is rumored that the ferocious warning markings on its belly differ from area to area.

IT'S ALSO BELIEVED... THAT WITH THE DIFFERENT PATTERNS COME DIFFERENT POWERS.

THE PATTERN ON ARBOK NOW...

!!

HSSSSSS

WHAT ?!

ARRRRR

S-SO FAST?!

GWRRR

NO—!

...HEIGHTENS ITS SPEED INCREDIBLY!

THE PATTERN CHANGED AGAIN...!

TWINNNNG

AND IF I DO THIS...

NGAAAAAAH!

IT... CAN'T BE!!

GNNSH

...I MULTIPLY ITS ATTACK POWER! EEE HEE HEE HEE HEE!

GNNSH

PERHAPS ONE OF THOSE PATTERNS...WILL BE THE PATTERN OF **DOOM** FOR YOU!

AH, BUT IT IS! I CAN CHANGE THE POWER OF MY ARBOK WITH BUT A FLICK OF MY FINGER. EEE HEE HEE.

THERE'S... GOT TO BE SOME WAY...

GSSH

GSSH

NNGH...

GSSH

GSSH

GRAAH!!

HEE HEE! KEEP CRUSHING THEM, MY ARBOK!

!

YES! A WAY TO BEAT THE PATTERNS !!

GOLBAT VERSUS GOLBAT.

ARBOK VERSUS ARBOK.

72 Weezing Winks Out

HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE !

WHAT COULD BE A BETTER LESSON FOR YOU IN THE INCREDIBLE DIFFERENCES OF OUR ABILITIES, EH?

ZUD

THAT WON'T WORK! BODY SLAM !

KRAK

ARBOK! GLARE !

BITE !

AND NOW...

ZLLOOP

THAT SHOULD PUT YOUR SNAKE OUT OF COM-MISSION.

BWOP !

BOM

ARRGH! MUK, **POISION GAS!** WEEZING, **SMOG!**

CRACKLE

POISON GAS AND SMOG, EH? TRYING TO DOUSE ME WITH YOUR FAVORITE POISONS...?

FFFRRR

THEN WE'LL USE AN ***INVULNER-ABILITY PATTERN*** THAT REPELS POISON!

Pff

KRAK

DNK

THAT'S THREE MORE YOU CAN'T USE!

BASH

HUF

HUF

...

THAT BUMP KNOCKED AWAY ANY MEDICINE I MIGHT'VE HAD...

TINK

O RSTLE...

BM

NKH !!

BM

BM

FSH

I DON'T HAVE A CHANCE THIS WAY! I'VE GOT TO GET MY EYESIGHT BACK FAST!

GLK

BWAT

G-GOLBAT !

KOGA'S AN EXPERT ON POISON AND PARALYSIS. IF I COULD CONTACT HIM, I MIGHT HAVE A CHANCE... BUT HOW?

TNNNG

...

EEE HEE HEE HEE... ARE YOU FINALLY THROUGH?

CHK

THE DAMAGE TO HIS EYES MUST BE WORSE THAN I THOUGHT...

THAT KID... STILL NO SIGN OF HIM... GUESS THAT GOLBAT'S GIVING HIM A HARD TIME.

VWIP

HF HF

GO!

MY, MY. WHAT WAS THAT?

S

FSSH

HWRRR

HWRRR

HWRRR

I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO, BUT DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE BETTER OFF SURRENDERING?

NOT UNTIL... *HUFF HUFF...* I'VE DEFEATED ***YOU!***

NOT QUITE YET.

OOOB

ZZZZOOOO

ARBOK!

RRRB!

A NEW TAIL FROM THE WOUND...

MM!

AS LONG AS THE HEAD REMAINS... IT CAN REGENERATE ANY PART CUT OFF!

HUFF... YOUR ARBOK HAS ITS PATTERNS... BUT MINE HAS ITS OWN TALENT... *HUFF HUFF...*

ISN'T THAT NICE? THAT MAY GAIN YOU SEVERAL MORE MINUTES...

BONK

HSS HSS

NOT LONG AGO... IT GREW BACK FROM A WOUND FAR WORSE THAN THIS ONE...

...

...UNTIL MY ARBOK FINDS THE PATTERN THAT WILL ***DESTROY*** YOURS!

BAT BAT

SEE? TAKE A LOOK.

HERE COMES MY GOLBAT, FRESH FROM VICTORY...

GASP... HUFF...

BY WHICH TIME YOUR FRIEND BLUE WILL BE LONG FINISHED TOO...

BM

...AND YOU WILL BE ALL ALONE!

SNEER

BAT BAT BAT

?!

BUT THAT'S... NOT *MY* GOLBAT?!

HEH

YOUR EYES ARE OPEN?! H-HOW CAN THAT BE?!

BLUE !

THE GADGETS YOU SENT OVER DID THE TRICK.

TP

QUICK THINKING, KOGA.

...

HFF

BUT I'LL HAVE TO THANK YOU LATER.

SO! THOSE POKÉ STARS WERE—!

FISH

...A POKÉMON HOLDING A PARALYZ HEAL! I HOPED... *HUFF*... AT LEAST ONE WOULD REACH BLUE!

HOLLOW... *HUFF HUFF*... INDEED... AND INSIDE...

HMM...

NO. FIRST MOVE IS MINE.

SHP

KOGA, I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS...

RRRR

NOW... TO CONTINUE MY "HOPELESS" ATTACK...

GLOMP

LEECH LIFE !

BITING ITS OWN *TRAIN-ER...* ?!

!!

EXCEPT I HAPPEN TO KNOW THAT MY *BLOOD...*

GLBBB

GLBBB

HOW SILLY OF ME...

NO!

BSHOOOO

...IS OPAQUE ENOUGH TO OBLITERATE THE INVULNERABILITY OF YOUR ARBOK!

CLEVER!

AND NOW... *HUFF*... YOUR ARBOK...WON'T BE ABLE... *HUFF*... TO CHANGE ITS PATTERNS...

ARBOK! ***BIND!***

ARRRR!

BUT TOO LATE FOR YOU, MY DEAR!

SSSSSSSS

GOL-
DUCK
!

A...
ATTACK
!!

CONFUSION
!

BAM

DMM

IT...
CAN'T
BE...

!

BLUP

HUFF... TO STOP THAT THING...

DON'T... WHEEZE... WORRY. THIS WAS THE ONLY WAY...

KOGA !

ZHEE ZHEE

WUMP

GASP... HUFF HUFF...

NEVER COULD'VE WON IT... THOUGH... WITHOUT YOU AND YOUR GOLDUCK...

ZHEE ZHEE

FEELS GOOD... TO GIVE EVERYTHING... FOR A BATTLE... HEH...

AGATHA WAS USING HER POKÉMON AS A DIVERSION... AND PLANNING TO STRIKE FROM BEHIND THE WHOLE TIME.

POISON STING!

THWUDD

WHAT– ?!

WE'RE EVEN NOW.

EVEN WITH ALL YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF POISON, THAT WOULD HAVE FINISHED YOU.

...

I TOLD YOU NOT TO GET IN MY WAY.

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT? I HAD A GRUDGE AGAINST AGATHA TOO.

SHP

YOU DON'T LOOK HAPPY.

NEVER MIND... JUST SHUT UP.

WOBBLE

HAHAHA. JUST AS... COCKY AS EVER...

WE'VE GOT TO GET PAST THIS... AND GO DEEPER INTO THOSE CAVES!

THIS, AFTER ALL, IS A BATTLE...

PRACTI-CALITY OVER RANCOR, MY PSYCHIC FRIEND?

YOU FORGET THAT YOU DIDN'T WIN... BUT WE SHOULD SAVE THE NOSTALGIA.

WHAT'S THIS?!

...A BADGE!! A TRAINER BADGE! BUT WHY HERE...?!

THAT LOOKS LIKE...

ZHK

!

!

THAT IS SOMETHING YOU DO NOT NEED TO KNOW!

GLIMMER

GLIMMER

WHERE...
?

WHO...
?

K-TINK

AAAAH
!!

AGH
!

KRI

!

GLIMMER

GLIMMER

WHAT...
?

HA HA HA.

IT'S... NOT COMING OFF!!

GRIIIIIIIK

SSHHH

!

YOU TWO SEEM...SO ATTACHED TO EACH OTHER!

73 Valiant Venomoth!

IF I USE MY LIPSTICK TO MARK AN "X" LIKE SO... ICE HANDCUFFS APPEAR ON THE REAL VICTIMS! HA HA HA!

TKWII

JYNX CRAFTED THESE ICE DOLLS OUT OF ICE BEAM.

KIIIIIIIII

SQUIK

YOUR FRIENDS RED AND PIKACHU GOT CAUGHT IN THE SAME TRAP.

TP

THEN, OF COURSE, YOU SHATTER ***WITH*** THEM.

OH, AND BE CAREFUL WHEN YOU ATTACK! IF THE DOLLS SHATTER...

SHOW YOUR-SELF!

LORELEI !!

TSK! I DON'T BELIEVE EITHER OF YOU UNDERSTANDS THE POSITION YOU'RE IN.

GET THIS OFF NOW!

SSSS

ICE BEAM !!

BBIIII

LOOK OUT!

GI NG !!

I COULD SAY THE SAME TO YOU!

PAY ATTENTION TO THE DIRECTION WE'RE MOVING, FOOL!

OH !!

AAUGH !!

...

GOODNESS! WE DON'T GET ALONG VERY WELL, DO WE? WELL, THAT SHOULD MAKE MY JOB CONSIDERABLY EASIER!

HEH HEH

VISH

DOUBLE KICK!

BOM

UNGH...! NIDO!!

VENOMOTH, SLEEP POWDER !!

BOM

KCH

BLOW IT AWAY WITH *BLIZZARD* !!

HWOOO

OBBLE

THE SLEEP POWDER... IT HIT MY NIDO... !

SUCH A WELL-OILED FIGHTING MACHINE...

SNORT

WHAT ?!

IT WAS IN THE WAY!

GASP

GASP

BOM

JYNX !

HWOOO

THRASH !

JUMP TO THE RIGHT!

KRIIIIII

KRAAK

NKH !

GA-BOOM

IS IT JUST MY IMAGINATION... OR ARE HER ATTACKS MAINLY AIMED AT GREEN...?

GULP

KLATTER

SLOWBRO BROUGHT ME THIS LITTLE PRESENT JUST NOW. PERHAPS SOMETHING OF YOURS...?

HA HA HA!

HORSEA !

I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR GETTING IN MY WAY THAT LAST TIME!

NO !

DON'T! IT'S A TRICK!!

IF YOU WANT THIS ONE BACK SAFELY, COME OVER HERE! IF NOT...

JYNX!

POUND !!

THERE !!

BI ASH

KONG

HYOOO

GREEN... GREEN !!

OOOH...

NNNN

SHE WAS TARGETING YOU... AND NOW I'M ALONE!

WHAT ?!!

YOU'LL HAVE TO STEAL THESE AWAY FROM ME FIRST!

IT'S NO USE.

SSSs

I MUST GET THESE CUFFS OFF QUICKLY!

NOD

PSSh PSSh

RRR NNK

NOW IT'S YOUR TURN!! JYNX!!

AIM FOR THE DOLLS !!

ATTACK !

VWAAA

KLAP

ONE MORE TIME!

N-NO... SHE'S USING ***WITH-DRAW*** !

HA HA HA. POOR THING. SO INTENT ON STEALING MY DOLLS...

BWACH

AND AGAIN !!

GRRR

...BUT WHAT A BURDEN ALL THAT EXTRA WEIGHT MUST BE, *MMM!*

I TELL YOU, IT'S NO USE! CLOYSTER, ***WITHDRAW*** !!

VVVN VVVN VVVN

VENO-MOTH... ONE MORE TIME!!

WHAT?! CLOYSTER?! WHAT'S THE MATTER?!

SSSHHHH

SWSH

WHAT ?!

MEGA DRAIN!! YOU MADE IT LOOK LIKE A REPETITION OF THE SAME ATTACK... WHEN IN FACT YOU WERE DRAINING OUR ENERGY!!

CLOYSTER'S FAINTED !!

HENH

OOOOH... WHAT A *DAY* THIS HAS TURNED OUT TO BE...!!

WOBBLE

GLARE

HUH?! YOU SAY SOME-THING ?!

NO... NOTHIN' !!

VWIP

W- WHAT ?!

WE WERE ALREADY PLANNING ON DEALING WITH THE ELITE FOUR IN VERMILION, YOU KNOW!

I DON'T CARE WHICH ONE OF YOU FOUR IT IS... JUST COME ON OUT!! YOU CAN'T GET AWAY WITH ATTACKING *MY* VERMILION CITY!!

KIII

GROAN

S.S.ANNE

THE TAKEOVER OF THE *S.S. ANNE* BY OUR OFFICERS WAS IN PREPARATION FOR THAT.

WE WERE GOING TO LURE THEM OUT WITH A RUMOR THAT... THE ***ONE*** THEY WERE LOOKING FOR...WAS IN VERMILION CITY.

HEY, I DIDN'T KNOW A THING ABOUT IT!

RRRR

UNFORTUNATELY, YOUR LITTLE FRIEND ***YELLOW*** MADE QUITE A MESS OF THINGS!

SKIIK

TWITCH

?!

COULD BE... TAKE A LOOK!

?

IS... SOMETHIN' WRONG?

WHAT IS THIS PLACE...?

74 Make Way for Magikarp

THAT'S A BIG POND... WE'RE GONNA HAVE TO GET ACROSS SOMEHOW...

UHHHH... AND HOW WILL WE...?

C'MON. LET'S DO IT.

W-W-WHAT THE—?!!

ZZZZIP

HUH?

WOBBLE

ZBLOOMF

?

"ZBLOOMF"
?!

HEY
!!

EEYAAAGH!!

BOM

OH NO!
MAGIKARP
!!

ZZZZ!

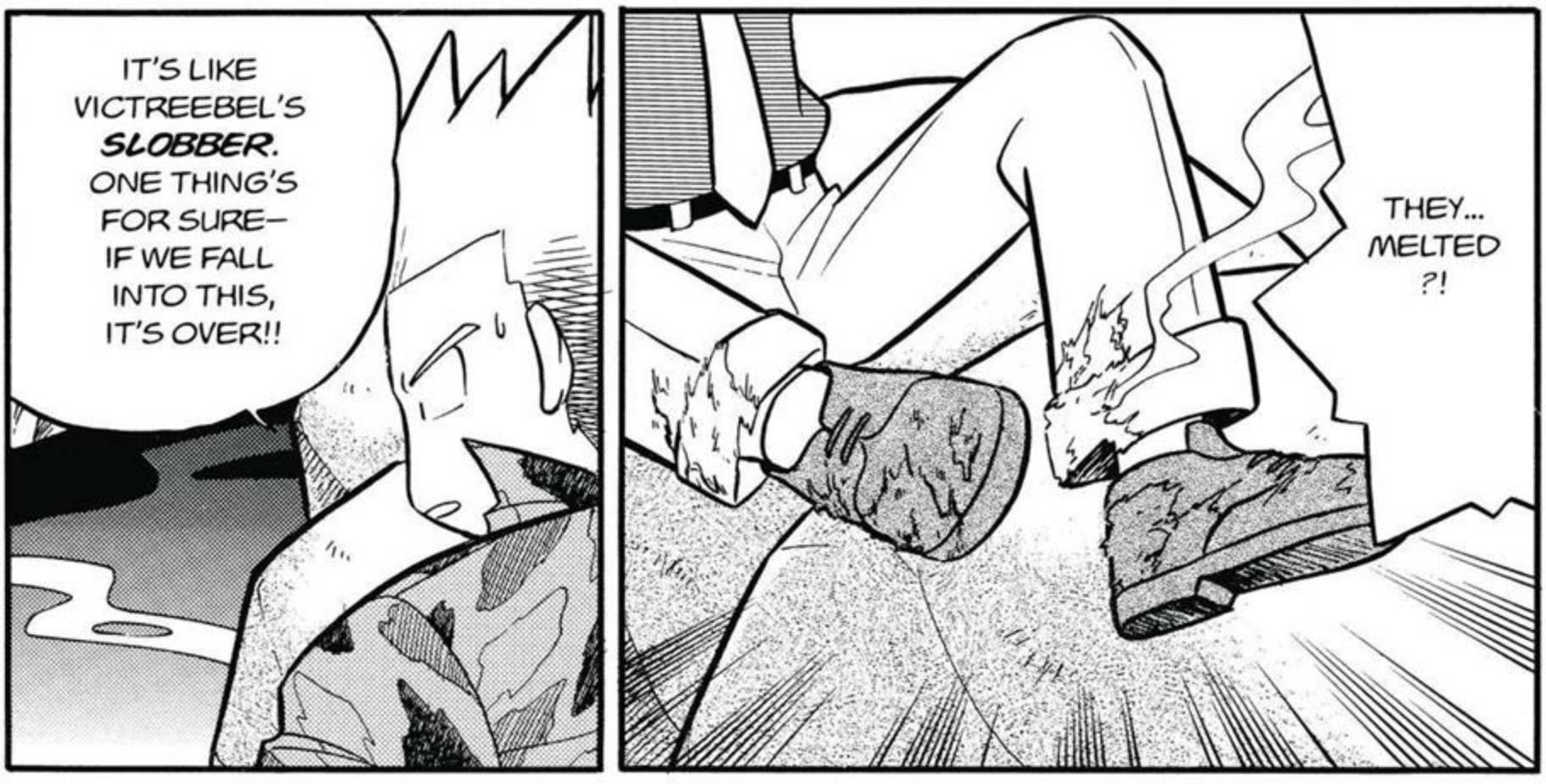
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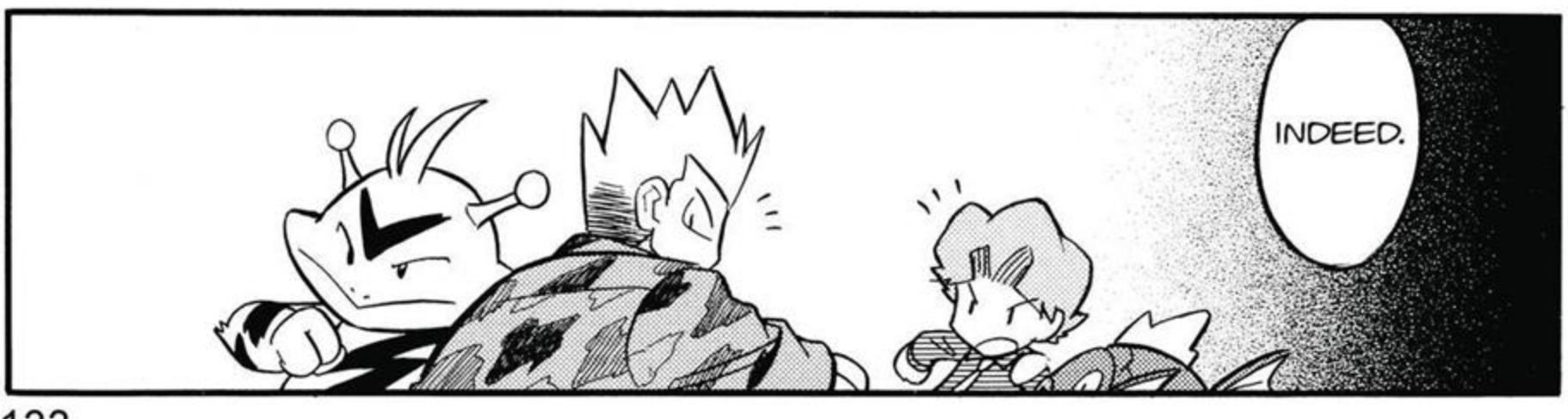
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SPLASH
!!


WHAT ?!
TWIK
TWIK
WHAT...THE HECK IS THIS?! THAT THING ON THE BOTTOM IS CLEAR... BUT IT SURE AIN'T WATER!!


HUH ?!
THAT'S NOT ALL. TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR SHOES AND PANT CUFF.
IT'S A LOT MORE VISCOUS... AN' IF THIS GUY DIDN'T HAVE A SPLASH ATTACK, I'D A BEEN A GONER!!


IT'S LIKE VICTREEBEL'S SLOBBER. ONE THING'S FOR SURE— IF WE FALL INTO THIS, IT'S OVER!!
THEY... MELTED ?!


INDEED.

BUT TO WIN THIS BATTLE YOU MUST CROSS IT. YOU MUST BE FIRST TO TRAVERSE...

EXTREME BATTLE-GROUND...?!

...THIS EXTREME BATTLE-GROUND!

AN ONIX TRAINER!! YOU'RE BRUNO OF THE ELITE FOUR!!

HHHRRR

IT IS!! THIS STONE BRIDGE IS AN *ONIX*!!

THIS LIVING BRIDGE MOVES ERRATICALLY.

I AM.

FALL, AND YOU WILL LAND IN A TERRIBLE SORT OF ***MUCUS***...FROM WHICH ESCAPE IS IMPOSSIBLE. CROSS BEFORE ME, AND VICTORY IS YOURS.

WHY GO TO THIS EX-TREME ?!

YOU'D BETTER NOT BE LYING ABOUT THAT.

NO. THIS IS A WILD ONIX. MY POSITION IS THE SAME AS YOURS. ONE SMALL MISJUDGMENT AND I TOO WILL SUFFER.

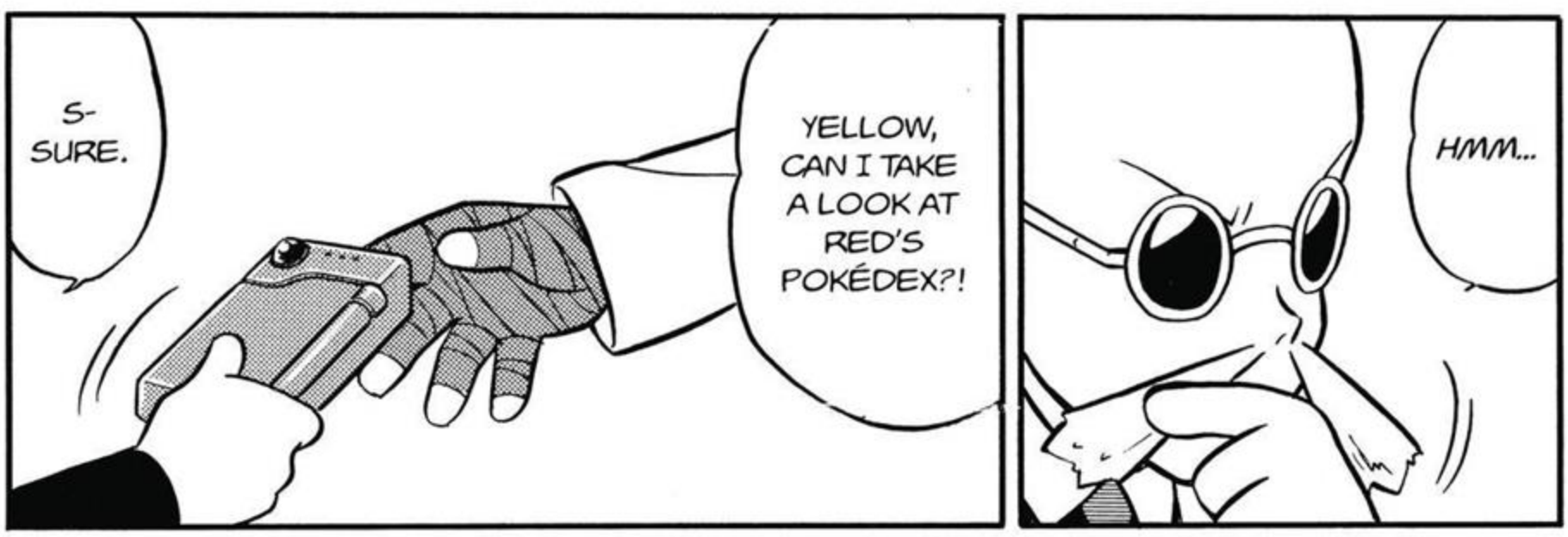
BUT THAT ONIX IS ***YOUR*** POKÉMON!! YOU GOT US AT A COMPLETE DISADVANTAGE !!

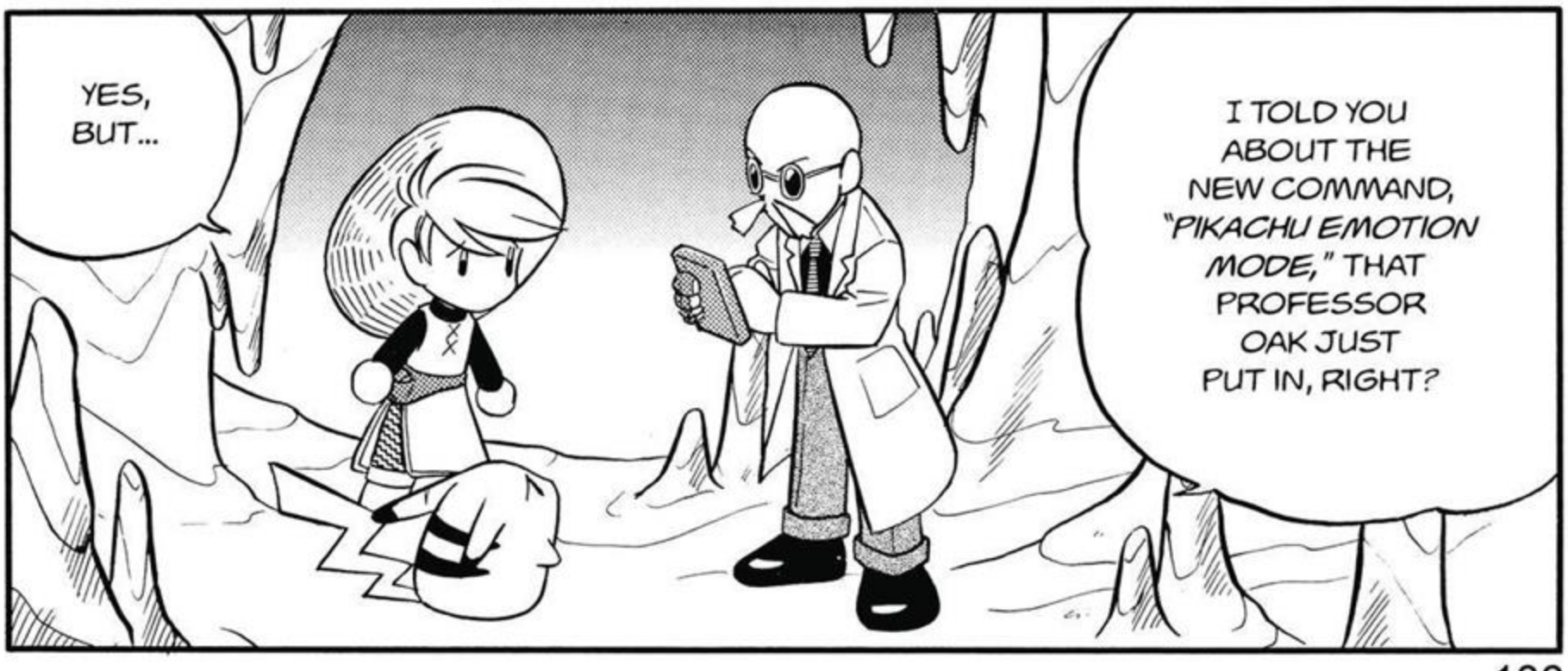
I SYMPATHIZE, BRUNO! I AM LT. SURGE, GYM LEADER OF VERMILION CITY! I ACCEPT YOUR CHALLENGE!

HA. IT IS ONLY IN THE EXTREME THAT A MAN IS TRULY TESTED. IT IS ONLY THE EXTREME THAT MAKES MY BLOOD RUN HOT!




PIKA! WHAT'S THE MATTER?! I UNDERSTAND THAT BEING ON THE ENEMY'S ISLAND MAKES YOU UNEASY, BUT...
FIDGET
FIDGET


S-SURE.
YELLOW, CAN I TAKE A LOOK AT RED'S POKÉDEX?!
HMM...


YES, BUT...
I TOLD YOU ABOUT THE NEW COMMAND, "PIKACHU EMOTION MODE," THAT PROFESSOR OAK JUST PUT IN, RIGHT?

WHOA-
!

I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO USE THE COMMAND VERY WELL... AND SINCE I CAN COMMUNICATE WITH POKÉMON MUCH BETTER ON MY OWN, I HAVEN'T...

THESE LEVELS ARE OFF THE CHARTS!

PAT!

BUT I AM NOT ABLE TO READ ITS THOUGHTS CLEARLY...

GASP

I SENSE THAT PIKA IS ON THE VERGE OF REMEMBERING SOMETHING IMPORTANT...

YELLOW... I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THIS...

THIS PIKACHU SHOULD'VE KNOWN THAT ALREADY, RIGHT? SINCE IT WAS ACTUALLY THERE?

HYOOO

WE FOUND OUT FROM THAT CLOWN THEY CALLED *SUPER NERD* THAT RED'S BATTLE WAS ON MOUNT MOON.

COULD IT BE...

SO WHY, IF PIKACHU'S LEADING YOU TO RED, DIDN'T IT TAKE YOU THERE?

...BUT THAT IT ***COULDN'T*** ?!

...NOT THAT IT ***DIDN'T*** CHOOSE TO TAKE YOU THERE...

POSSIBLY INCLUDING A LOSS OF MEMORY.

HUHH NNN

WHEN PIKACHU WAS SEPARATED FROM RED, IT SUSTAINED INCREDIBLE INJURY. PHYSICALLY... AND EMOTIONALLY.

TRY THIS ON.

GASP!

COULD... NOT TAKE ME...?

THAT SCAR THAT DOESN'T SEEM TO HEAL... MAYBE THERE'S A PSYCHOLOGICAL SCAR TOO...

PIKA...

PIKA... IS THIS TRUE ?

FWWP

BLAINE! LOOK!!

HHHSSSS

WHAT IS THAT ?!

BILL TOO !!

LT. SURGE! BATTLING WITH BRUNO ?!

KUNNG

?!

TONG TONG

BILL!
BILL!

WHAT'S THIS?! WE'RE BEING BLOCKED BY SOME-THING!!

NO...! WE CAN SEE THEM FROM THIS SIDE... BUT I DON'T THINK THEY CAN SEE OR HEAR US!

THEY CAN'T HEAR US...?

IT'S ALMOST LIKE A MAGIC MIRROR !

BZZT BZZT BZZT BZZT

ELECTA-BUZZ! THUNDER-SHOCK!!

VULPIX! *FLAME-THROWER* !!

CHZK

HE'S JUST TESTING US... NOT BRINGING OUT HIS POKÉMON YET...

BUT KNOWING HIM, IT'LL PROBABLY BE AN EARTH- OR ROCK-TYPE...

FIRE TYPES ▲

ELECTRIC TYPES ▶

...AND THAT MEANS THAT WE DON'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST HIM.

THEY DON'T TEACH YOU ***THIS*** IN COLLEGE !!

HEY! YOU'RE A COLLEGE BOY, RIGHT?! ***YOU*** THINK OF A STRATEGY!

WAIT...

I WILL NOT USE ONIX IN THIS BATTLE.

I DO NOT LIKE FIGHTING BATTLES IN WHICH THE VICTORY IS BY POKÉMON ALONE.

VNNNG

VNNNG

VNNNG

KLINK

BRUNO'S NOT JUST A MASTER OF EARTH AND ROCK...

BOM

BOMBOM

INDEED !!

CHOP !

SHH

KICK !

PUNCH !!

FSH

I AM ALSO A MASTER OF THE MARTIAL ARTS!!

!

!

75 Electrode's Big Shock

FSH

HIT-MONLEE! HIT-MONCHAN!

GET 'EM!

FSH

HOOSH

HWOK

WATCH OUT! IT'S BEIN' PUSHED BACK!

PM

KLAK

GGG

BUZZ

SHOVE 'EM HARD!!

NOT IF *WE* CAN HELP IT!

FLIP

TP

TP

FSH

WOK

...

WOOOSH

BAM

BAM

BAM

BAM

HITMONCHAN—
COMET PUNCH!
HITMONLEE—
ROLLING KICK!!

BASH

BM BM BM

VULPIX! ELECTA-BUZZ!

THEY'RE GONNA FALL!!

GGGRRLL!

GNG

GRR!

PLIP

SSSSHHHHHH

TNNG

GRIII

BILL! LT. SURGE !

RROOH

FIRE SPIN !!

THUNDER-SHOCK!!

YOU'RE RIGHT! RAPI-DASH !

THEY CAN'T LAST MUCH LONGER! WE MUST **HELP** THEM! PIKA!

BOM

SOMEONE IS IN THERE! BUT IT WILL TAKE GREAT POWER TO BREACH THAT WALL!

OM-MMM

NOT EVEN A **DENT** !

SSSSHHHHH

NOT SOMETHING WE CAN AGREE TO! RAPIDASH!

BLAINE—?!

I TOLERATE NO INTER-FERENCE IN THIS BATTLE! DEPART WITH HASTE!

YOU, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BARRIER! LISTEN WELL!

ZZZMMM

HAVE YOU NO EARS?! WELL, THEN...

FLP FLP

RROOH

FIRE SPIN!

RRRRRRRR

BOOM

BEAR THE CONSE-QUENCES !!

SSSHHHH

NGH !

BLAST IT!

RRRB

REMEMBER THIS. BRUNO LIVES FOR BATTLE...AND DETESTS NOTHING MORE THAN AN INTERRUPTION!

VRR

NOT LIKE WE'VE GOT A CHANCE IN HECK OF GETTING HELP FROM THEM...

HEY... DIDYA HEAR THAT? SOUNDS LIKE THERE'S SOMEBODY AROUND HERE...

SSSS

SEEIN' AS HOW HE'S YELLIN' AT 'EM TO KEEP CLEAR, I'M GUESSIN' THEY CAN HEAR US... BUT WE CAIN'T HEAR THEM!

THIS GUY IS ONE SERIOUS FIGHTER !

PLACES FOR OTHERS TO LOOK IN ON THE BATTLE BUT NOT HELP... THE ULTIMATE BATTLE ARENA!

PROB'LY THE WAY THIS PLACE WAS SET UP ALL ALONG...

SHOOT... I WANT TO HELP VULPIX AND ELECTABUZZ, BUT THERE'S NO GAP IN HIS DEFENSES!!

RRRR

RRR...

WHO WILL KEEP MY *MACHAMP* BUSY?

GLINT

COME! SEND AS MANY AS YOU LIKE!

HITMONLEE AND HITMONCHAN ARE KEEPING YOUR POKÉMON COMPANY.

SH

THAT *MACHAMP*'S WEARING A MACHOKE BELT!

HEY... LOOK !

W- WHAT ELSE– ?!

HEY! WHAT ELSE DO YOU HAVE, BOY?

HENH...! COULD BE IT'S ONLY JUST EVOLVED...

PSS PSS

PERFECT. USE THAT AND...

CHK

THIS IS THE ONLY ONE I HAVE WITH HIGH ENOUGH POWER LEVELS!

FSH

IT SEEMS I MUST GO TO YOU! MACHAMP!

WHAT?! RUNNING AWAY— ?!

WHRRR— FSH

USH

BET YOU CAN'T CATCH US!!

TM TM TM TM

TUP

THAT'S *IT!*

NOD

UH-OH! DEAD END!

MMM

I GIVE NO QUARTER TO COWARDS.

YOU MAY LACK THE COURAGE TO FIGHT... BUT IT MATTERS NOT AT ALL.

YOU CAN RUN NO FARTHER.

WHAT ?!

AND WHAT WOULD WE FIGHT YOU WITH... SINCE WE DON'T HAVE OUR POKÉMON?!

BOM

AND MY EXEGGCUTE !

MY ELECTRODE...

BOM

BOM

!

BOM

POPPOPPOPPOP

POPPP

ATTACK !

FFF

FFF

FFF

WHAT'S THIS?!

NOW— **BOMB** !

AND THE DETO-NATION IS UP TO THIS GUY!

BZZZT

THOSE WERE **EGG BOMBS** AND BALLS OF **BARRAGE**—

SELF-
DESTRUCT
!!

!!

EEE-
YAAAAA
!!

RR

WHOA
!

RRRRRRR

SLIP

NO
!

RAAAA
!!

TWO EXPLOSIONS COMBINED— AND THEY'RE SENDING YOU **DOWN!!**

POOM

I HAVE POKÉMON IN PLACE FOR THIS PHASE TOO!

VIIIIN

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT!

THIS PLAN OF YOURS... DON'T IT MEAN WE'LL FALL TOO?!

VNN

!

SSHHH

HEH

AN ELECTRICAL SAFETY POD.

IF BRUNO... FELL INTO THAT... HE COULDN'T HAVE SURVIVED...

GULP

NOW GIVE ME A HAND. I'M COMIN' UP.

KRII

OOMPH.

CINNA-BAR ISLAND

76 Take a Chance on Chansey

WHWW

OKAY THEN.

WIIIIN

I'VE BEEN ASKED TO LOOK AFTER THIS GUY WHILE BLAINE IS GONE, BUT...

KCHK

HAUN

HEY, HAUNTER, WOULD YOU PLEASE...?

GEEZ. IT'S ALREADY BEEN **WEEKS** SINCE HE WAS BROUGHT IN HERE AND STILL NO SIGN OF CONSCIOUSNESS...

THE INSTRU-MENTS ARE FINE.

HRMM?

HERE, MEAL-TIME!

YOU GUYS MUST BE WORRIED ABOUT YOUR TRAINER TOO, HUH?

...WAS THIS "SUPER NERD"... OR SO THEY CALL HIM.

MMCH MM

CH

RED'S THE TRAINER THAT BLAINE AND THE OTHERS ARE ALL OUT SEARCHING FOR...

I HEARD THAT A GASTLY TOOK OVER HIS BODY AND ALMOST KILLED HIM.

WELL, I GUESS IT'S NO WONDER THAT HE'S STILL IN A COMA.

AND THE ONE PERSON AT THE PLACE WHERE RED WAS SUPPOSEDLY FROZEN SOLID...

!!

HE'S AWAKE!

TWIK

NN... NNNH.

VMM

CINNABAR... THEN I... MUST HAVE LOST CONSCIOUSNESS... AND BEEN CARRIED HERE.

Y-YOU'RE AT CINNABAR GYM. ARE YOU OKAY?!

BLINK

WHERE AM I?!

THE ICE SHELL... BUT NOT RED...?!

IT WAS TAKEN ON MOUNT MOON.

WAIT... THAT PICTURE...!

HUH?!
Y-YOU MEAN WHEN YOU WERE THERE... HE WAS STILL ***INSIDE*** THE ICE?!

HOW DID HE GET OUT OF THAT BLOCK OF ICE?!

WHOA-HO! HE'S FROZEN WHOLE!

HE WAS!

I HAD BEEN TOLD TO TAKE A GROUP OF OPERATIVES TO A... CERTAIN LOCATION.

WHAT'S THIS?! A SCRAP TORN OFF FROM HIS GLOVE! ***PERFECT!***

WILL YOU QUIT WASTING TIME?!

CHEEE

TONK

MARO-WAK!

LET'S TRY IT AND SEE.

WAK

HMM

AND IMPOS-SIBLE TO REACH HIM FROM OUTSIDE?

IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO ESCAPE THIS ICE.

WHOA!

N-N-NOT EVEN A CRACK!

GONG

BONE CLUB!

OH, IT'S TRUE ALL RIGHT. AND AS PROOF...

RUSTLE RUSTLE

ARE YOU TELLING THE TRUTH ?!

WOW... HE *IS* STILL INSIDE THE ICE!

...?! HUH?!

FWAP

THESE ARE PICTURES I TOOK TO HELP ME DISGUISE MYSELF AS RED.

IN THE BACKGROUND... THERE'S SOME KIND OF... SHADOW?!

STAGGER

HEE... HEE HEE HEE !!

ZHEE ZHEE

YOU'VE GAINED A BIT OF SKILL SINCE THE LAST TIME WE MET... YOU ***ARE*** OAK'S GRANDSON, AREN'T YOU?

WELL, BLUE !

ZPP

YOU BOYS MAY THINK YOU'VE WON...

BUT SO LONG AS YOU'RE WANDERING IN ***MY*** MAZE, YOU'RE IN MY POWER!

BUT I WON'T LET YOU GET AWAY SO EASILY.

...STAND IN THE WAY OF *AGATHA* !

FWAH

NEVER AGAIN WILL ANYONE...

GO! GO!

YAAAY

YAAAY

YAAAY

I WILL *NOT* SUFFER THAT AGAIN!

YAAAY

YAAAY

WHAK

MEGA PUNCH !

OAK

OAK

AND THE WINNER IS... *OAK!*

WHEW.

FLAP FLAP

OK OK OK

YOU'VE DONE WELL, OAK!

DON'T YOU TALK TO ME LIKE THAT! YOU KNOW WHAT I WANT! ***ANSWERS!!*** WHY DID YOU PULL OUT OF THE RESEARCH GROUP! WHY?!

AGATHA... WHAT DO YOU WANT?

WELL THEN...

SHP

THEY'VE FORGOTTEN THEIR PURPOSE, AGATHA. ALL THEY CARE ABOUT IS FINDING WAYS TO MAKE POKÉMON DO THEIR WHIMS. I CAN'T CONDONE THAT.

BOM

BOM

WHAT IF I TELL YOU YOU AREN'T FREE TO LEAVE?! GASTLY! HAUNTER!

DON'T BE A FOOL! KANGA! CHANSEY!

KANG

BOM

GAAAA

HWRRR

FSH

RRRRRR

GRRRR

NNNG...

I'LL DO MY *OWN* RESEARCH !

AND WHAT WILL YOU DO WITHOUT US?!

DON'T WASTE YOUR TALENT !

AND I'LL BE TRUE TO MY GOAL... TO CREATE A *POKÉMON ENCYCLO-PEDIA!*

IT'S NO WASTE! THERE ARE SO MANY POKÉMON THAT WE ONLY KNOW THE NAMES AND APPEARANCES OF!

WE NEED A REPOSITORY FOR ALL THE INFORMATION WE CAN GATHER ABOUT THEM!

A DEVICE THAT A SCIENTIST OR TRAINER COULD CARRY WITH HIM AND THAT CAN TRANSMIT INFORMATION TO MATCHING DEVICES! THAT WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO HUMANS AND POKÉMON ALIKE!

GGGGGG

GGG

FSH

GLOW

POP

CHANSEY! SOFT-BOILED!

KANGA! DIZZY PUNCH !

TWEET TWEET TWEET TWEET TWEET

NKH !

TWEET TWEET TWEET

COULD BE.

YOU'RE A FOOL, OAK! YOU'LL BE DEAD BEFORE YOU'LL HAVE FILLED HALF OF THAT DEVICE!

OAK!

IF THAT'S WHAT FATE DECREES, THEN MY CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN WILL TAKE UP THE QUEST.

IN THE LEAGUE TOURNA-MENT THAT YEAR...

I WON THE RIGHT TO FACE THAT MAN IN THE FINALS.

OAK OAK OAK

HE WON... BARELY...

AFTER A BITTER BATTLE THAT LASTED OVER EIGHT HOURS...

TMP

BUT I DO THANK YOU, OAK... YOU'VE BEEN MY INSPIRA-TION...

...THAT I WAS *RIGHT* !!

TMP

AND I VOWED RIGHT THEN...

THAT SOMEDAY I WOULD FORCE HIM TO ADMIT...

YOU CAN PUT THAT ON YOUR TOMB-STONE !

HEHEHE

AS FOR YOUR GRANDSON AND HIS FRIEND... WELL...

THEY'LL BE IN HEAVEN TO MEET YOU!

SNEER

HEY, BLUE... WHERE ARE WE NOW?

TMP

WE'RE HEADING TOWARD THE HEART OF THE ISLAND. SHOULD BE GETTING OUT OF THIS MAZE SOON.

77 Striking Golduck

TMP

YOU SURE? SEEMS TO ME LIKE WE'RE GOING IN CIRCLES...

NO... HE'S GOT TO BE IMAGINING...

THAT'S... THAT'S THE TAIL TIP THAT AGATHA CUT OFF MY ARBOK... !

HEY, WHAT'S THAT?

ONE THING'S DIFFERENT FROM BEFORE... AGATHA'S DISAPPEARED.

WE'RE RIGHT BACK WHERE WE *STARTED* !

DON'T STRAIN YOURSELF. YOU'VE BEEN LOSING A LOT OF BLOOD.

AND ANOTHER THING... *GASP*... I'M A LOT WEAKER THAN I WAS...

SSS

IT'S LIKE... *HUFF*, MY ENERGY IS BEING SUCKED OUT... SOME-HOW...

NO, I... I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE ONLY REASON...

LOOOM

TWIK

SSS

...

...

ZSH

SSSHHH

SSSHHH

ARGH !

OOOMooo

NO. SOME-THING'S HERE!

AM I... *WHEEZE...* HALLUCI-NATING...?

B-BOM

KOFFING!

GOL-DUCK!

AT OUR *FEET*!

GOLDUCK! KOFFING!

THIMP

GNG

SSSSS

GNG

WHAT?!

SSSHHH

...

A GENGAR! AND IT'S IN OUR SHADOWS!

D-DID YOU SEE THAT? THAT WAS...

GENGAR
Shadow Pokémon
HEIGHT: 4'11"
WEIGHT: 89 LBS.
No. 094
Able to merge with and inhabit the shadow of another being.

PIP

THEY SAY THAT UNDER A FULL MOON, YOUR SHADOW WILL SOMETIMES DANCE AND GRIN...WHEN IT'S A GENGAR...

...

CHK

I THINK I JUST SAW IT DISAPPEAR INTO MY SHADOW! WATCH OUT!

CHARIZARD! SCYTHER! NINETALES!

BOM

BOM

BOM

CHARRR

CHARRR

SLASH!

FLAME-THROWER! FIRE SPIN!

OOOM...

DID WE GET IT...?!

SSSHHH

NINE-TALES!

DMP

TMP

BASH

NNNIPE!

N-NOW IT'S IN MY SHADOW!!

SHP

SCYTHER! CHARIZARD !

RRGH! IT'S MOVING FROM ONE SHADOW TO ANOTHER THE MOMENT THEY TOUCH!

SHP

POM

PAP

RETURN !

THE MORE SHADOWS THERE ARE, THE MORE PLACES IT HAS TO HIDE!

SJSSSSSS

BLAST !

STAY THERE !

IT STEALS ENERGY FROM ME EVERY TIME IT GETS INTO MY SHADOW...

!

I WAS...*GASP*... RIGHT. IT'S NOT... JUST THE BLOOD LOSS...THAT WAS MAKING ME WEAK...

BOM

PORYGON!... CONVERSION !

CHK

THAT ATTACK WAS *COUNTER!* GENGAR LIKES PHYSICAL ATTACKS...

YUUUUUN

MY PORYGON WILL BE A *GHOST*-TYPE DURING THIS BATTLE! ANY PHYSICAL ATTACKS WILL BE USELESS!

CONVERSION ENABLES AN ENEMY'S TYPE TO BE *COPIED* ONTO THE POKÉMON.

OOOM...

...

SSSHHH

SWSH

?!

GENNG

THERE !

...

HUFF
GASP

SSSSHHHH

IT'S ESCAPING INTO THE SHADOWS AGAIN! AFTER IT!

SSSS

PFF

RGH.

PORYGON!
SHARPEN!

GENNG

!

IF THERE WERE SOME WAY TO DRAW IT OUT OF THE SHADOWS COMPLETELY...
!

PEWTER CITY MUSEUM OF SCIENCE

GEODUDES ONE AND TWO! TIGHTEN THE ENTRANCE TO THE MUSEUM SO THEY CAN'T GET THROUGH ANY FURTHER!

GEODUDES FOUR, FIVE AND SIX...

GNNG

GEODUDE THREE, PROTECT KABUTO'S TANK!

I'LL SHOW YOU THE POWER OF MY ***GEODUDE SIX*** GROUP!

THEY'LL BE YOUR OPPONENTS!

GYRELL

GGOON

DOUBLE-EDGE!

FSH

ACK! ONE GOT THROUGH !!

GNG

!

KABOOM-BOOM

OH !

CELADON CITY

CHOMP

!

NGH... THIS IS... SHELLDER'S *CLAMP* ATTACK!

GGGG...

ARE THEY... TRYING TO TAKE SOMETHING FROM ME...?!

TUG

RRRR

ABSORB !

SHUUUU

T-TANGELA! CONSTRICT!

TM TM TM

LADY ERIKA! THIS JUST IN!

GROWTH !

PUSH

WHAT ?!

!

GONK

KRABBY, VICE-GRIP !

CRAB-HAMMER !

CERU-LEAN CITY

ERIKA ?!

!

PII PII PII

DMM

OOOOOOOOO

HUFF HUFF

THE ELITE FOUR'S FOURTH ARMY HAS LANDED IN VIRIDIAN, SAFFRON, VERMILION, FUSCHIA... AND CINNABAR ?!

HHHH

W- WHAT ?!

LONG AGO TRAVELERS USED THE ***STARS*** TO SHOW THEM THE WAY...!

CHK

S-SOMEHOW... I'VE GOT TO GET THIS INFORMATION TO BLAINE AND THE OTHERS ON CERISE ISLAND...!

LET THEM KNOW...BY DRAWING A PATH IN THE SKY!!

BOOM

STARMIE !

BE MY GUIDING LIGHT, STARMIE !

C'MON, LT. SURGE! HURRY AN' GET UP HERE!

HHHHHHHH

GLINT

GIMME A... GASP... SECOND. I'M A LITTLE... TIRED...

GNN

GYOOINNG

WHAT ?!

HHHHHHHHHHHHHH

BRUNO! HE DIDN'T *FALL!*

GRRR

RRRH!! I'M BEING ***PULLED DOWN!***

THOSE EYES!

N-NOOOO!!

78 Victim of Venusaur

SURGE !!

HHHHSSSSs

FSH

VVVVV

MAGNE... TON!

GOOD !

PLING

NNNGAAÁAÁH!!

NNG

NNG

NNG

SSSSSS

THSSS

RRRR

HNNNG

RRRAAAAH!!

BWOP

BWOK

???

IS... THIS THE END...?!

WEENNNN

SPRK

WHAT ?!

MZZZ MZZZ

NN... GH... THIS VINE...

THE SPOON OF DESTINY... !

GATA GATA

NNNNG

GWII

!!

OH...
!

AND VENU-SAUR...
?!

THAT BICYCLE...

C... COULD IT BE...
?!

HENH

RED
!!

HIYA, BILL! LONG TIME NO SEE!

HI TO YOU TOO, LT. SURGE!

SSSHHHH

HYAAAAAH!!

KRI

WELL, GUESS I'LL GET TO IT!

SHP

HWOOOOO

WRAAAAGH!!

VSSSH

VENUSAUR !

BOOF

SWEET SCENT !!

TUGG

NOW !

SNOOOOZ

WHOA.

IS IT YOU... RED ?!

IS... IS THAT REALLY YOU ?!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SURGE ?!

YEAH... SOME-HOW.

IT'S ME, IN THE FLESH... RED OF PALLET TOWN !

FAR AS I KNOW !

OH...

I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS! WE'D ALMOST GIVEN UP!

R... RED... ?!


BAM
BAM
RED!
RED!
PIKAPIIII
!


RED
!

ELECTRODE'S SELF-DESTRUCT ATTACK... IT KNOCKED DOWN THE WALL BETWEEN THE CAVES AND THE UNDERGROUND WATER...!

SSSSHHH...SSH

GLUB

GLUB

HUH?! THAT SOUND...

RED! RED!

YELLOW! GRAB HOLD OF SOMETHING! THERE'S A TORRENT COMING OUR WAY!

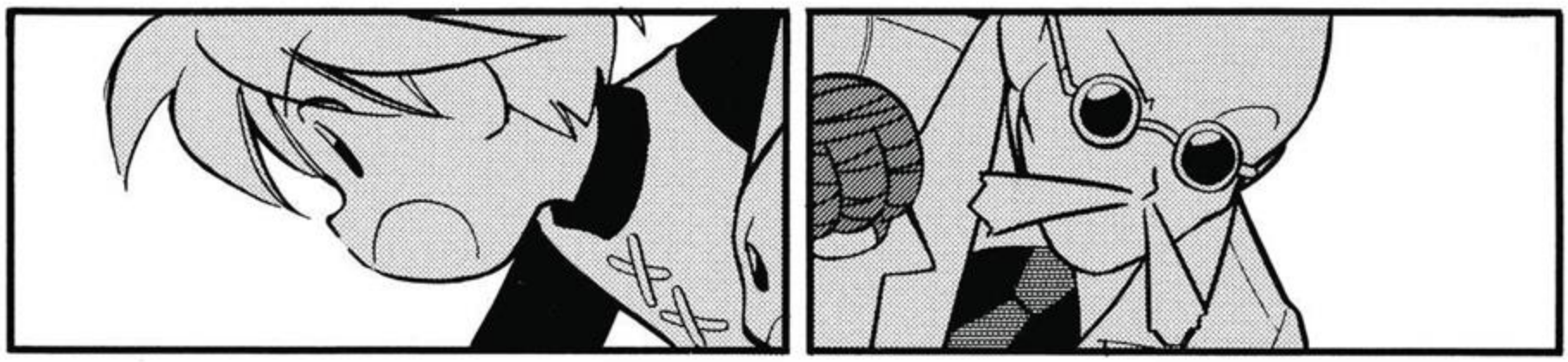
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PL

SSSHHHH

M— ?!


WAFT




OF
FL
!

YELLOW...!!
Y-YOU'RE...

SSSSSHHHHH

SHOOM

TSUNAMI
!!

!!

RED
!!

NKH
!

RRRRRRED!!

SHOOOOOM

To be continued in the next volume...

NEXT VOLUME PREVIEW!



ADVENTURE ROUTE MAP 6

BEHOLD! A CUTAWAY VIEW OF CERISE ISLAND'S LABYRINTHINE INTERIOR! TAKE A LOOK AT WHERE EACH OF THE FOUR TEAMS IS PAIRED AGAINST THE MEMBERS OF THE ELITE FOUR!

CHAPTER 66

VS POLIWRATH

CHAPTER 67

VS DUGTRIO

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VS VENOMOTH

LORELEI'S BATTLE STRATEGY IS TO SHACKLE HER OPPONENTS IN HANDCUFFS OF ICE TO HINDER THEIR MOVEMENT.

CERISE ISLAND EASTERN SHORE

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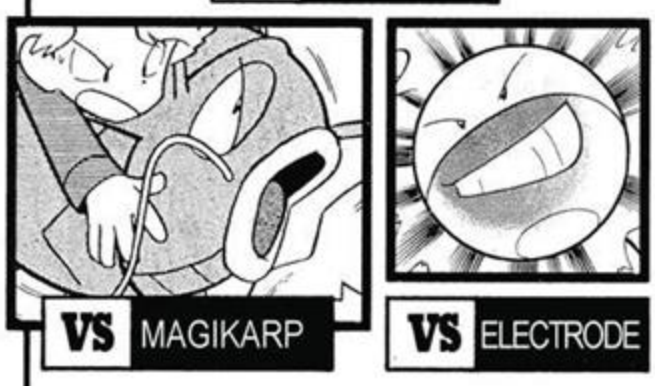
DASH-THROUGH AND WITNESS THE RAGING BATTLES!!

GOTTA CATCH 'EM ALL!! ADVENTURE ROUTE MAP 6

ARBOK'S ROCKSLIDE CREATED A MAZE OF ICICLES. THIS IS ALL PART OF AGATHA'S PLAN TO SEPARATE KOGA AND BLUE...







YELLOW AND BLAINE ARE SWEPT FURTHER INTO THE ISLAND ON A VIOLENT TORRENT!

OVER A CORROSIVE SWAMP IS AN ONIX BRIDGE. THIS IS BRUNO'S BATTLEGROUND, CUT OFF FROM THE OUTSIDE.

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Message from
Hidenori Kusaka



The Game Boy games *Pokémon Gold* and *Silver* are now on sale!! I'm just bouncing off the walls with excitement over these much-anticipated games!! Most likely all you readers will be busy getting caught up with the new adventures of the games by the time this comic comes out! Let's aim for Pokédex completion! But be careful, of course, not to stay up too late!!

Message from
MATO

Recently I've received an avalanche of letters asking, "What's going to happen to the manga once *Gold* and *Silver* are out?!" Actually, there might be a hint hidden within the manga…! Check it out!!