

Green Lantern

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OPEN ON

EXT. SPACE - NIGHT

The vista is spectacular, but a bit wobbly.

Sci-fi intricately designed OPENING CREDITS run under shots from space.

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Order was established at the dawn of creation. It is the structure of social organization.

INT. APARTMENT - DAY

A CAT is working a LITTER BOX. The whole thing upends, sending the cat tumbling. NOTE: No CREDITS run during Earth scenes.

CUT TO:

WIDE SHOT of the apartment. JUD PLATO, a somewhat slovenly fellow in his early 30's, has tripped over the litter box. He is probably hung over. The overturned box hasn't made the place that much worse. From the floor, Jud looks over at the cat.

JUD

That wasn't there...When did you move it?

EXT. SPACE - LATER

We shoot through stars and planets, but the ride is treacherous and shaky. CREDITS continue.

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Creation's growth was guided by random elements which were themselves the workings of perfect order.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - DAY

A row of very similar, generic looking wall units in an Ikea-like department store.

CUT TO:

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Jud at work, dressed in a jumpsuit, wheeling a large bin filled with stacked chairs. A female CUSTOMER throws her chewing gum in it as JUD walks by.

JUD

It's not a trash bin.

The Customer has already walked by. Jud continues, resigned.

Jud's friend SETH, just frail and soft enough to find Jud cool, approaches him with an affected tone.

SETH

Hey! You're the guy from that show! You are such a dude!

Jud waves him off, surreptitiously gesturing "over there".

CUT TO:

"Over there" - the row of wall units. A middle aged WOMAN CUSTOMER is discussing them animatedly with CORRINE, the beautiful floor manager. Jud and Seth are hidden from their sight.

JUD

(to Seth, quietly)
"Such a dude?"

Seth is embarrassed.

EXT. SPACE - LATER

Credits continue. From infinite space, widen a bit to reveal it viewed through the window of a spaceship. Widen more to reveal a GREEN GLOVED HAND feebly operating the control panel.

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Creation gave rise to sentient life forms whose sense of logic and reason were flawed.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - LATER

Corrine is chatting with her interested WOMAN CUSTOMER, indicating the incrementally different WALL UNITS.

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CORRINE

The Excelsior has a 14 inch depth.
So you can store your larger
books, your wedding albums --

They are distracted by Seth approaching Jud, still
wheeling his bin.

SETH

Hey! You're the guy from the
show! You are...hot! You kick
ass on that show!

JUD

Oh. Thanks, man. It's on tonight
at 8.

(quietly)

I'm hot? Have you ever heard a
real person speak?

SETH

(struggling)

Paris Hilt...she's not the
only...it doesn't just mean hot --

JUD

(louder again)

Anyway, thanks, man. Gotta get
back. Enjoy the show I'm on.

(downplaying to
Corrine)

Hi. Just some guy who's seen me
on TV. I'm on every week.

CORRINE

You're on a show, Jud?

JUD

Yeah, it's no big deal, I'm one of
the main people --

WOMAN CUSTOMER

Which is this one?

JUD

(getting cockier)

Oh, it's the one on the America
Now Network...channel 124, yeah, a
lot of people seem to be digging
it, it's --

CORRINE

The Continental. 13 inch depth.

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WOMAN CUSTOMER

I'll take that.

CORRINE

(to Jud)

Continental.

Jud sheepishly resumes his job, walking over to the stack of boxed wall units, dragging out a Continental.

WOMAN CUSTOMER

Not that one. The box is open.

She throws her gum into Jud's bin. Jud sighs.

EXT. SPACE - LATER

The vista starts to wobble more than ever through the spaceship's window, as CREDITS continue.

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Once the unreliable life forms became capable of interfering with the development of other beings, there came a great disturbance to the universe's sense of order.

EXT. BAR - NIGHT

PAN a generic-looking downtown area of Atlanta, landing at the Friday's-style bar. We hear some screams, some cheers coming from inside.

INT. BAR - CONTINUOUS

A scattered crowd is watching something on the TV screen. PAN faces - anxious, excited OVERWEIGHT WOMAN, HISPANIC COUPLE, rowdy red faced SPORTS GUYS, a cheering MAN with SON, stumpy GIRL in football jersey.

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Thus was the need for intergalactic order-keepers recognized and the Green Lantern Corps formed.

EXT. SPACESHIP - CONTINUOUS

The long, silver spaceship wobbles as it streaks through the atmosphere. CREDITS continue.

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ABIN SUR (V.O.)

The Corps is the root of all order
and knowledge.

The ship breaks into Earth's atmosphere and hurtles
toward Earth.

ABIN SUR (V.O.) (CONT'D)

The Corps is without fear.
Without anger or corruption.
The Corps has battled against the
forces of chaos for a millennium.
To serve is the ultimate honor.

EXT. EMPTY DESERT CANYON - CONTINUOUS

The ship crashes head first into the desert. End
CREDITS.

INT. SPACESHIP - MOMENTS LATER

For the first time we see ABIN SUR, the Green Lantern of
Space Sector 2814. His bald head and face are deep red,
otherwise he is humanoid. He sits weakly at his chair by
the control panel, his Green Lantern costume tattered and
torn, the holes revealing a bit of his red skin
underneath. He is dying.

His GREEN RING on his right hand illuminates as it
touches the green, lantern-like BATTERY OF POWER. A
streak of GREEN LIGHT emanates from the ring, and shoots
out.

EXT. DESERT - CONTINUOUS

The streak of light shoots and extends beyond the desert
horizon.

ABIN SUR

If there be a deserving one
here...the ring will find my
successor...

EXT. BATTLEFIELD - MOMENTS LATER

In a war-torn Middle Eastern country, a brave SOLDIER
carries his fallen BUDDY and takes out a GUERILLA
FIGHTER. The GREEN LIGHT hovers over the scene...

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ABIN SUR

It must be one who is entirely
without fear...

EXT. MOUNTAIN PEAK - MOMENTS LATER

A LEGLESS CLIMBER makes his way up a snowy steep mountain amidst a blizzard, pulling himself up only with his arms. The GREEN LIGHT hovers over the scene.

ABIN SUR

One whose fearlessness is matched
only by integrity and character...

EXT. AFRICAN VILLAGE - MOMENTS LATER

A small and older MISSIONARY WOMAN is negotiating through land mines and fighting off AFRICAN WILD DOGS to deliver medicine to a PREGNANT AFRICAN WOMAN. The GREEN LIGHT hovers over the scene.

ABIN SUR

For the responsibilities of those
in the Corps transcends mortal
bounds...

INT. TV STUDIO - MOMENTS LATER

As a row of attractive CONTESTANTS watch, we see Jud, also a contestant, voraciously wolf down the severed head of a COYOTE, fur, bones, eyes, teeth and all.

HOST (V.O.)

This man is incredible! He's
eaten the nose! He's going at
that coyote's brain like it was
candy! Jud Plato does not know
fear!!!

INT. BAR - CONTINUOUS

Everyone in the half-filled bar is going wild. They are watching JUD eating the coyote head on the TV. In the back of the room, noticed by no one, the streak of GREEN LIGHT is watching and pulsating, clearly impressed.

HOST (V.O.)

Have you ever seen bravery like
this?? Jud Plato...

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Jud stands among the crowd, a beer in hand. Someone hands him another beer. A local REPORTER with a notepad is watching alongside him. Jud points to himself eating the coyote head on the screen.

JUD

That's what I'm talking about!
No hesitation! Full eye contact!

SPORTS GUY

Jud, that's a coyote for real?

JUD

This isn't some David Copperfield
shit, Zeke! Everything's real on
that show 'cept the boobly-zooblys.

A few guys laugh. The Green Light pulsates more.

REPORTER

Could you spell that for me?

Jud suddenly feels himself being pulled backwards.

JUD

Uh...I gotta go..?

REPORTER

But the show's not over!

CUT TO:

TV SCREEN

Jud is gnawing on the coyote's hind legs and tail.

HOST

Look at Jud go for that rear end.
He's already proven his bravery.

CUT TO:

INT. BAR - CONTINUOUS

Jud is retreating out of the bar, though he doesn't quite know why. His only friend in the joint, Seth, calls after him. He's by a table of TUBBY GIRLS in makeup.

SETH

Where ya goin', Jud? You got a
whole table here waiting for you!

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FATHER

Hey! My kid wanted an autograph!

JUD

Can't right now.

FATHER

Way to set an example, dick!

Jud hurries out of the bar, confused.

EXT. BAR - MOMENTS LATER

The ray of GREEN LIGHT is pulling Jud toward his car in the parking lot.

JUD

Okay, what? What is the green thing?

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

The Corps is the creation of the Guardians of the Universe.

As Jud hears this, the light pushes him into his car and guides his hand toward the ignition key.

JUD

Who's that?

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

The Guardians are the highest-evolved minds in the universe.

Jud peels out under the control of the Green Light.

JUD

Whoa!! Slow down, green! Who's doing this!?

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Power without reason is --

GARAGE ATTENDANT

Hey! Ten dollars!

The ray of Green Light momentarily slows the car down, forms a large human hand at the end of its ray and tosses a green glowing ten at the attendant.

GARAGE ATTENDANT (CONT'D)

Okay. Thanks.

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ABIN SUR (V.O.)

You're welcome.

The car continues peeling out, driving rapidly down the highway under the Green Light's control as Abin Sur continues.

ABIN SUR (V.O.) (CONT'D)

Power without reason is chaos.
Force without knowledge is
destructive.

JUD

(simultaneously)

Shut up! No, you! Shut up! Shut
up! My car! My car! My car!

Jud defiantly turns on the radio. It blares "What a Girl Wants" by Christina Aguilera. Jud is relieved to hear anything.

JUD (CONT'D)

Uh huh. Yes...my car.

The radio signal fades and is replaced by static.

JUD (CONT'D)

No...

Abin Sur's voice appears on the radio.

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Without the Corps there would only
be chaos and darkness.

JUD

No!!! No!!! Christina!!!

Jud starts to cry as the car starts taking him at 100 miles an hour!

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

The Corps is ultimate knowledge
harnessed to ultimate power.

JUD

What do you want, voice?

Suddenly the car takes off from the highway and soars into the sky, speeding over the country at 300 miles per hour!

JUD (CONT'D)

Whaaaaaa-aaaaaaa-aaaaahhhhhh-don't
wannaaaadiiiiiieeee!

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Jud stops for a moment, emotionally and physically spent, and looks down at the vista.

JUD (CONT'D)

Okay. I like this. But...I still need to know...what the fuck?!?!?

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Chaos is routed. Order is maintained. The battery is the source.

JUD

I don't think you answered my question.

The car is flying at 600 miles per hour. Jud is now struggling against the g-forces.

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

The Corps is the knowledge. The battery, the power.

JUD

Aaaagh! Answer my question! I said -- what...

Suddenly the car descends rapidly, as the ray of green light spirals toward the ground...

JUD (CONT'D)

the....

EXT. DESERT - CONTINUOUS

The car lands hard down in the desert canyon, right by Abin Sur's crashed spaceship. Jud crawls out of the car.

JUD

Ow.

Jud sees the spaceship and is too tired to completely freak out.

JUD (CONT'D)

Wha--at?

ABIN SUR (V.O.)

Wield the power. Maintain order.

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JUD

Oh, here we go. Okay, I'm gone.
I have a bar full of admirers, I
have a cat with a hyperthyroid --

Jud turns to run away and is confronted by a giant 30
foot green PROJECTION of Abin Sur's face.

ABIN SUR

It is a great honor.

JUD

Hiiiiii?!

ABIN SUR

A responsibility that transcends
your mortal bonds.

JUD

Okay.

Jud pulls out his cell phone and hits a button.

INT. BAR - CONTINUOUS

Seth, still near the table of impatient Tubby Girls,
answers his cellphone.

SETH

Where the hell are you?

INTERCUT WITH

EXT. DESERT - CONTINUOUS

Jud, freaked, talks with Seth while eyeing the giant
green Abin Sur.

JUD

Just listen to me --

SETH

Get back here, man! These girls
are gonna leave and two of them
are totally passable!

JUD

What did we take the other day?

SETH

What day?

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JUD

How much Nyquil did I take?

SETH

What? Not that much. You just fell asleep.

JUD

Can the shit have a delayed reaction?

SETH

What are you squealing about? It was a week ago!

ABIN SUR

This is a power greater than your finite mind can imagine.

JUD

I gotta go.

Jud hangs up. Seth is puzzled.

JUD (CONT'D)

(to Abin's head)

Okay, I'm back.

ABIN SUR

This is about survival of entire races. Of worlds and cultures you've not ever dreamed of.

The projected head suddenly disappears into infinity.

JUD

Oh. Hello...? Head...?

After a pause, Jud starts to leave again, relieved.

JUD (CONT'D)

Okie doke. Well. He'll be missed.

Suddenly, the green ray shoots under Jud, forming a GREEN CHAIR that slides under him.

JUD (CONT'D)

Hey!

The ray adds a SEAT AND SHOULDER BELT that strap around Jud. The ray then sends the seat flying back toward the crashed spaceship and inside the door.

INT. SPACESHIP - MOMENTS LATER

Jud lands on the floor. Across the deck is Abin Sur, still seated by the controls. The ray of green light forming Jud's chair emanates from Abin's ring.

ABIN SUR

The ring and the battery are all you shall require. Be sober. Be vigilant. You are one of us now.

JUD

How's that?

ABIN SUR

I am Abin Sur. I have served the Corps from Space Sector 2814. I...am dying.

JUD

Wow. That sucks.

ABIN SUR

You have been chosen to be my successor.

JUD

No.

ABIN SUR

The ring has decided.

JUD

Not happening.

ABIN SUR

Your wants are not my concern. The ring...must be charged at the battery of power at regular intervals. Call for it...and it will appear.

JUD

Wait a minute. That costume. This is - this is the Green guy! Green Hornet!

ABIN SUR

Green Lantern.

JUD

Lantern! Wait! You're saying I'm a Green Lantern?! Stop it!

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JUD (CONT'D)

That's mind blowin'. This is like the eighth most famous superhero!

ABIN SUR

The Guardians have chosen you through the ring. The ring singled you out for your fearlessness and honesty.

JUD

No, no, no, no, no. Are you talking about "The Dare Diner"? I don't even win, I...I finish third. I mean, that's a secret but you're dying, so I don't think the network will...

ABIN SUR

The ring knows your potential...to overcome fear.

JUD

But I can only eat that stuff because I have a dead spot on my tongue. I bit a section off when I was five. I was at the carnival, riding the teacups and I already had a sugar buzz from the fried -

ABIN SUR

Please...do not...bore me...in my final minutes. Fear is, for you, an intellectual exercise. It is a method of self-preservation linked to your species' survival instinct.

Jud's phone rings.

JUD

Sorry. Y'believe this thing works out here? Verizon.

Abin doesn't react. Jud picks it up.

INTERCUT WITH

EXT. BAR - CONTINUOUS

Seth is practically in tears standing in the parking lot area. He speaks on a cell phone via a wire earpiece.

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SETH

You're an asshole. You blow the semi-pretty girls for me and now I don't have a ride home!

JUD

I'm a Green Lantern.

SETH

We have a very tiny window here of getting sex while you're on TV! Maybe you're happy spanking it to Corrine but -- you're what?

JUD

I'm a Green Lantern.

SETH

Shut up and pick me up.

JUD

Seth! I swear on Corrine's ass. They pulled me out of the bar with this green light thingy and now I'm in the desert with a dying guy right here who's making me the next Green Lantern.

SETH (V.O)

Cut the bullshit!

Abin is overhearing the conversation.

JUD

No bullshit.

SETH (V.O.)

You're a Green Lantern? Come on. That's like the ninth most important superhero! Put the guy on!

JUD

What?

SETH

Put the dying guy on! I don't believe you!

JUD

(to Abin)

Do you mind? He doesn't believe me.

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He hands Abin the phone.

ABIN SUR

I am Abin Sur.

SETH

Okay. Who is this? Cooper? How do I know this isn't a goof?

ABIN SUR

I...haven't much time...

JUD

Say something sciencey.

ABIN SUR

The ring must be charged at the battery of power once every one of your planetary revolutions.

SETH

24 hours, everybody knows that.

JUD

Okay - Seth? I think you're pissing him off.

(to Abin, confiding)

Sorry, Seth's way into this superhero stuff.

(covering phone)

Loser.

SETH (V.O.)

Come on, tell me something I can't read in a comic bo --

The ring's green ray reaches into the cell phone.

EXT. BAR - MOMENTS LATER

The green ray emerges from Seth's earpiece, forming a hand that bitchslaps Seth and then pulls him into the earpiece.

INT. SPACESHIP - MOMENTS LATER

Seth emerges and tumbles out of the cell phone.

SETH

Aaaaaugh!

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JUD

Aaaaaagh!

ABIN SUR

Call for the battery...and it will appear.

JUD

Sure. Will do.

SETH

(stunned, terrified)

Sorry. I'm sorry.

JUD

He's sorry. Okay. So -- how's this: why don't we just forget this ever happened? I'm obviously not the guy and you -- Abin?

Abin is silent.

JUD (CONT'D)

You're liking this. You're mulling. Letting it marinate.

(to Seth)

He's ruminating.

SETH

He's dying.

JUD

I think I know when my man Abin is ru --

Abin's body start to decompose and form dust. Jud immediately starts vomiting.

JUD (CONT'D)

Gimme a second.

SETH

What's wrong with you? You're supposed to be brave! You ate a coyote!

JUD

That's my dead spot! On my tongue! I told him!

As they argue and Jud finishes, the Green Ray swirls around Abin's ring. The ring flies off Abin's hand and lands on Jud's right ring finger. Immediately a Green Lantern suit materializes on Jud's body.

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Jud and Seth are stunned. Jud wipes the last of his puke off his mouth as Seth looks at him in the outfit. After another moment, Seth bursts out laughing. Jud is pissed.

SETH

I'm sorry.

Jud is still annoyed. Seth holds it together.

SETH (CONT'D)

Seriously. You're gonna be great.

EXT. DESERT - LATER

Jud stands at a cliff and looks at Seth.

JUD

Just go for it?

SETH

Just imagine it, that's how it works.

Jud concentrates. The ring's green ray lifts him off the ground and he starts to fly, terrified.

JUD

Nooooo! Put myself down!!

SETH

Jud! You have to stop being scared! You're in control!

JUD

(calming)

Right...superhero...in control...

SETH

It's cool! Flying is cool!

JUD

Flying is rad!

Jud starts zipping around the sky, maneuvering the ring.

JUD (CONT'D)

Dude, I can make turns with this thing!

SETH

Yes, that's how it works, Jud.

From a high spot Jud dives and streaks right toward Seth, wearing a confused face.

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JUD

Wait, what's happening? What's
happening? What?

SETH

Whoa!

At the last second, just as their faces are about to
collide, Jud turns a hard right as Seth recoils.

JUD

Hah!

SETH

Asshole.

Jud produces a giant fist that goes right up to Seth's
face. Seth is annoyed.

JUD

(taunting)

You want some of this? You want
some of this? What do you call
me?

SETH

Mr. Asshole.

JUD

That's better.

SETH

Come on, every Green Lantern does
the big fist. You can conjure up
anything with that ring.

JUD

Beg par-don?

Jud's ring produces a sword, which he swings wildly.

JUD (CONT'D)

Care to du-el, my asthmatic
friend?

SETH

That's great, Jud. The Sheriff of
Nottingham's gonna be terrified.

Jud transforms the green light into nunchucks, which he
waves around with the skill of a novice air guitarist.

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JUD

(japanese gibberish)

O-ta yanomaya skana! Moh yah san!

SETH

Yes. You're an idiot. Okay, those look alright, but let's try and stretch it now. Go for something a bit more complex.

JUD

What's that mean?

SETH

Try and make something you can get all the details right on, something you're intimately familiar with.

Jud concentrates. After a bit, he extends his ring and produces a green ray. It forms a green recreation of teenage Britney Spears sitting in a short skirt as in her first album cover.

SETH (CONT'D)

Really.

JUD

(shrugs)

Was kinda stuck in my head for a year.

SETH

I'd keep that to myself.

EXT. SKY - CRACK OF DAWN

Jud is flying over a huge lake on his way home. His ring has created a green TOW that pulls his car, with Seth in it. The LANTERN, or BATTERY OF POWER which charges the ring, is in the back seat.

JUD

(improvising a theme song)

Green Laaaan-tern! He's the Green Lan-tern! He's a Lantern that's Green! He makes things that --

SETH

Are we home yet?

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JUD

(annoyed)

Dude, you're bored?

SETH

No. I'm just tired. I had three beers.

JUD

Don't throw me that. I'm a superhero! You're not buzzed? Look at this. "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang", Seth. People rent it, but you're living it!

SETH

Stop, I gotta take a piss.

Jud stops the car as Seth stumbles out. With his ring, Jud creates a GREEN PATCH OF GRASS OFF A HIGHWAY for Seth to walk and piss on. Jud is irritated as the mid-air piss takes forever.

JUD

Let's make it happen!!

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - MORNING

Seth is just waking up on Jud's couch.

SETH

Oh, man, what time is it?

Jud is gargling mouthwash on his way out the door. He is in the full Green Lantern costume.

SETH (CONT'D)

Thanks for letting me crash -- what are you doing?

Seth jumps off the couch to stop Jud.

JUD

Headed for work, Tonto! Gotta show Corrine who's the boss now!

(singing Eagles tune)

There's a new Jud in town, everybody's talkin' bout the new --

(concerned)

Do I have a boner?

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SETH

Jud! You can't let people know
you're the Green Lantern!

Jud is blank.

JUD

What's the point, then?

SETH

To fight crime!

Jud sighs.

SETH (CONT'D)

And if criminals know your
identity, then you'll never have
any down time. They'll always be
after you. Haven't you ever read a
Green Lantern book?

JUD

No. Look, I gotta get something
out of this. You're saying I have
to fight crime and I can't redeem
it for quality poon? Where's the
justice in that?

SETH

Jud, if Corrine knew your identity,
then she could become a target of
your enemies! And you can't trust
Corrine to keep a secret.

JUD

I'm trusting you!

SETH

Yeah, but Jud, I'm your best
friend. And even I've thought
about blackmailing you with this.

JUD

I get it. Shit.

SETH

Hey. Come on. You're still Jud
Plato! Mr. Fourth Round on The
Dare Diner. Maybe she saw the
show.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - DAY

Jud is riding with his bin, now filled with identical generic lamps, up the escalator.

CORRINE (V.O.)

Jud? Can you come in here?

Jud's eyes react as his heart races. He hurries up the escalator, leaving the bin of lamps to follow.

INT. OFFICE - DAY

Jud is in Corrine's office, looking under a radiator.

JUD

Looks like mousecrap, Miss Kelly.

CORRINE

Oh, no.

JUD

We can get the exterminator in here pretty quick.

CORRINE

I just can't be in a room with mice.

JUD

No problem, Miss Kelly, we'll contact him. The mice are probably behind the wall --

CORRINE

I can't -- be here, knowing that mice might be here, as well.

JUD

Let me see what I can do.

CORRINE

Please. And if you could...I can't be in a room with their feces.

JUD

Right.

Corrine leaves the room.

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JUD (CONT'D)

Yeah. Well played.

He starts cleaning the mouse crap and mocks Seth in an exaggerated nerd voice.

JUD (CONT'D)

"You can't let her know you're a superhero, because if you do you'll I'm a fucking nerd. If criminals know who you are you'll never have any I'm a dipshit. She has to think you're a dipshit too or the universe will
 (devolving into nerd
 jibberish)
 fneep fneep fnourple..."

Jud stops for a moment, then pulls the Green Ring out of his pocket.

JUD (CONT'D)

She doesn't have to think I'm a loser.

Jud puts the ring on his finger. Cautiously he starts to point it toward the mouse crap. The ring emanates its green ray of light and lifts the mouse crap off the floor. Jud waves the ring under the radiator and all remaining mouse crap is lifted off the floor and held together in a small hovering ball. With the ring Jud shoots the crap into the trash bin.

JUD (CONT'D)

Nice.

Jud looks back at the radiator and points his ring again. The ring's light produces ten GREEN CATS.

JUD (CONT'D)

Let's make it happen!

The Green Cats immediately run toward the walls, looking for mice, as Jud takes a seat opposite Corrine's desk and relaxes a bit, checking out some photos of Corrine and friends on her bulletin board. A Green Cat jumps up toward Jud holding a MOUSE and breaks Jud's focus.

The Green Cats continue looking for mice. Jud produces one more FAT GREEN CAT with his ring just to sit in his lap and pet while the others do their work.

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JUD (CONT'D)

Yes! Faster! I'm not seeing mice...

The Green Cats continue in faster motion, dropping a few more mice at Jud's feet, until they are done, at which point they sit in orderly fashion around Jud, who produces ten GREEN JUD SQUEAKTOYS. The cats play in ecstasy as Jud points his ring toward the radiator cover, lifting it off the ground, revealing several holes in the wall.

JUD (CONT'D)

(to Fat Green Cat on his lap)

Okay, Number 12. It's only fair.

With his ring he converts the Fat Green Cat's body so it can stand on its hind legs and operate with its paws. Another ring zap and the Fat Green Cat is wearing overalls and a painter's hat. It rapidly starts to plaster the holes in the wall. Jud adjusts the overalls pants so that the Fat Green Cat's ass peeks out as it bends over.

JUD (CONT'D)

(pointing, giggling to other Green Cats)

Check it out.

The Fat Green Cat continues and finishes up as the other Green Cats meow/giggle with Jud.

JUD (CONT'D)

Talk about your Tender Vittle.

The Cats meow/giggle more. The Fat Green Cat turns around like "what's with the laughing?"

JUD (CONT'D)

Nothing. You're doing great.

The Fat Green Cat resumes, to more meow/gigging. Suddenly, the DOORKNOB turns. Corrine is coming in! Jud immediately shoots a GREEN RAY at the doorknob with a HAND at the end of it that holds the door closed.

CORRINE

(knocking)

Hello?

As this happens, Jud makes all the Green Cats disappear back in the Ring, rushes to the radiator where he appears to be replacing the once-hovering cover.

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Jud stops momentarily and points the ring toward his crotch. He then retracts the Green Hand, letting Corrine come in.

CORRINE (CONT'D)

Wow. You're done?

Jud stands up and coolly turns to Corrine, revealing his over-enhanced crotch.

JUD

Not a big deal, some spackling, cleaning, you won't have any mice now, that's for sure.

CORRINE

You are amazing.

Jud nods with very transparent false modesty.

CORRINE (CONT'D)

(unflirtatious)

This is so great. We don't have to use an exterminator anymore.

JUD

(deflated)

I guess not.

CORRINE

Corporate'll really notice it in our budget. Thank you so much.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - MOMENTS LATER

MUSIC: UNBEARABLY CHIPPER, like HERB ALPERT'S "TIJUANA TAXI"

Jud glumly walks out. His bin of lamps is off its track and now blocking the up escalator. He hurriedly pulls it away.

INT. JUD'S CAR - LATER

CHIPPER MUSIC CONTINUES as Jud morosely pulls over to pick up Seth from work. Seth runs out of the BEST BUY-type store and gets in the car, pulling off his clip-on tie.

SETH

So did she see the show?

Jud bitterly peels out, saying nothing.

EXT. HIGHWAY - LATER

There is a ton of traffic. CHIPPER MUSIC CONTINUES as Jud steams in his car. He has not said a word to Seth.

JUD

Oh, here we go...

He sees that two cars have spun into the left wall, causing all the backed up traffic. Jud is disgusted.

JUD (CONT'D)

(to the cars)

Thanks for nothing!!

A few cars behind him honk loudly.

JUD (CONT'D)

(angrily mocking)

Honk-honnnnk!

Seth stares at Jud.

JUD (CONT'D)

What??!

The cars creep to an apparent halt. Jud gets out of the car, enough's enough. Seth gets out and reacts to something in shock! CHIPPER MUSIC stops.

SETH

Jud. Up ahead.

JUD

Oh...lord...

There is a PERFECT CIRCULAR HOLE in the highway. Several cars have fallen halfway through it. Many other cars have collided. The damage is blocking everything.

SETH

Jud.

JUD

What?

SETH

This is it.

JUD

What are you saying?

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SETH

You.

JUD

I'm gonna die?

SETH

Jud! The ring!

Up ahead, some armed LOOTERS are already raiding cars.
Frightened ONLOOKERS back away.

JUD

Oh, shit. Right. The Green
Lantern.

SETH

You're the Green Lantern.

JUD

(sighs)
With the ring.

Jud takes it out of his pocket.

SETH

Not here! Go somewhere.

JUD

Right, right. Go somewhere.

SETH

Go!

Jud slowly then more hurriedly, maneuvers toward the side
of the highway.

JUD

Excuse me...sorry...very
sorry...excuse me...I have
something...there...gotta use
the...nature calls...sorry...

Jud has ducked into the bushes on the side. He puts on
the ring and concentrates.

From his feet up, his clothes start to transform into the
Green Lantern costume. Panicked, he grabs his wallet and
cell phone just before the transformation hits them. The
change continues upward until he is fully the Green
Lantern.

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JUD (CONT'D)

(impressed)

Damn!

He hurriedly tucks his wallet and phone into his costume...but no pockets. Points the ring at his waistline - ray shoots out - pockets. He's ready and takes off.

Seemingly out of nowhere, Jud shoots over the scene and hovers over the shocked and awed crowd.

JUD (CONT'D)

(way too loud)

Have...no fear!!!

Seth makes a face. Not sure what that was. Oh, well, he's trying.

ONLOOKER

Is that Green Lantern?

'NOTHER ONLOOKER

Must be a new one. Unless he's been eating.

ONLOOKER

Could be a thyroid thing.

Jud goes after the LOOTERS first. He flies over them, terrified but determined.

JUD

Aaaaauuuuuggghhh!

The Looters look at him like he's nuts, but also incredibly scary.

JUD (CONT'D)

Drop the -- stuff!

Looters freeze, not sure what to do. Jud doesn't either. They start to run.

JUD (CONT'D)

Whoa!

Jud fires the ring's ray, forming a couple of BOTTLES the ray then breaks over their heads.

The Looters panic and start shooting at Jud, who immediately creates a shield with his ray.

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JUD (CONT'D)

Nein!!!

Seth looks at Jud incredulously as the shield fights off the bullets.

JUD (CONT'D)

That's right! Friggin' garbage!

Jud creates a green GIANT BROOM, sweeping the Looters into a GIANT DUSTPAN. The crowd applauds.

One of the Looters defiantly throws a knife at a surprised Jud, who dodges it. It tears a bit of his uniform.

JUD (CONT'D)

(pissed)

Scumbags!

The ray forms a green GIANT CONDOM that unrolls down on the Looters, trapping them inside. Onlookers are disturbed. Jud's CELL PHONE rings and he picks up. It's Seth.

SETH

Change that! Change it now!

JUD

I'm sorry, it just came out --

SETH

Just make it a jail cell! Now!

Jud changes it to a jail cell and Onlookers appear relieved.

JUD

Look, I got it, okay? We can chat about this later --

SETH

You got it? What was with the "nein"??! Don't say "nein"!

JUD

I get that, I don't know, I was scared.

SETH

You don't have to say things.

JUD

You're making this harder!

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Jud hangs up and flies over to the area with the hole and trapped cars.

JUD (CONT'D)

Stand back! Citizens!

ONLOOKER

Maybe he was taking Prednisone.
That's the stuff Jerry Lewis was
on.

'NOTHER ONLOOKER

Right.

Jud surveys the scene. Quite a mess.

JUD

Wow.

Jud concentrates and conjures a large GREEN TOW TRUCK with his ring. People are somewhat confused and underwhelmed. Jud lands near the truck and pulls out a few GREEN CABLES.

JUD (CONT'D)

(to an ONLOOKER)

Want to help me with these cables?

The Onlooker starts to help.

JUD (CONT'D)

Sweet. Okay, let's hook it up to that Impala first. You grab that side...

Seth is cringing. A WOMAN ONLOOKER speaks up.

WOMAN ONLOOKER

Can't you do this faster?

JUD

Wow. Okay. I thought I was helping here...

ANOTHER ONLOOKER

Yeah, but the cops'll come with a tow truck.

JUD

(thinks)

Right. Well. I'm not Superman.

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As he thinks, the ring conjures up a GREEN SUPERMAN who instantly lifts the cars out of the hole. The crowd cheers wildly.

JUD (CONT'D)

You're welcome.

The Green Superman retreats back into Jud's ring and a huge Green mysterious concrete/tar composite emerges. Using the ring almost like a hose, Jud fills the hole and it hardens immediately as a green circle.

JUD (CONT'D)

This is temporary, people.
Proceed with --

Some cars are already off, practically running over Jud.

JUD (CONT'D)

Whoah. Okay...

Jud assumes a triumphant pose, figuring he'd better quit while ahead.

JUD (CONT'D)

And so, my work here is done.

Suddenly a GIANT YELLOW BOLT shoots down, just missing Jud and creating a brand new perfect hole in the ground.

JUD (CONT'D)

Whaaah?

Cars screech to a halt, a few slip partially into the hole.

JUD (CONT'D)

Who did that?

Jud turns and sees the source of the bolt...a WINGED ALIEN on a rooftop, who fires another bolt right at Jud!

JUD (CONT'D)

(dodging it)

Holy shit.

Jud fires a GREEN FIST at the ALIEN who holds up a YELLOW SHIELD, intercepting the fist and firing it back at Jud, who falls from the punch.

JUD (CONT'D)

Holy shit!

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The ALIEN fires another bolt at Jud, who creates his own GREEN SHIELD to stop it. The bolt goes right through, however, just missing Jud but creating another huge hole in the ground.

JUD (CONT'D)

Shiiiiit!

Jud darts into the sky and immediately speed dials his cell phone as he dodges another bolt.

Seth picks up his phone.

SETH

Yeah.

JUD

Who is this guy?

SETH

I have no idea.

JUD

He's an asshole!

SETH

I know.

JUD

I can't get my ring stuff to work.

SETH

It's the yellow thing.

JUD

What?

SETH

The bolts are yellow. Your ring has no power against anything yellow.

JUD

No one told me that?!

SETH

Yes. The dying guy told us. You weren't paying attention.

JUD

I was too paying attention and he he didn't --

Jud dodges another bolt, just barely.

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SETH

Well, everybody knows that. It has to do with an impurity in the universe back when the Guardians --

JUD

Yeah, whatever, Spock!! What do I do now?

SETH

Go invisible.

JUD

Huh?

SETH

Go invisible, that way the guy can't see you or hit you.

JUD

That's good.

Jud concentrates with the ring and becomes invisible. However, his cell phone is still visible.

JUD (CONT'D)

Okay.

Another bolt nearly hits him.

SETH

Lose the cell phone!!!

JUD

How will we talk?

SETH

One problem at a time!

Jud tosses the cell phone. The Alien searches for him. Suddenly out of a nowhere, a GREEN LASER GUN appears behind the Alien, firing a LASER that incinerates the Alien.

JUD (V.O.)

Yow! I is a badass!

Jud materializes on the roof where the Alien had stood. He is doing an obnoxious Terrell Owens-like dance.

JUD (CONT'D)

Take it back to Mars, bitch!
You's in my hou -- anybody got my phone?

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The crowd stares at Jud as his ring sends out a GREEN RAY that scopes the area. A GREEN FROG at the end of the ray sticks his tongue out and pulls in the CELL PHONE. The RAY retracts and Jud takes the phone from the frog.

JUD (CONT'D)

Nice job.

The phone rings. It's Seth, calling from the highway again.

SETH

You're not supposed to kill things.

JUD

I'm not?

SETH

It's not good for the kids. You put them in a jail cell, or a capsule, you let the authorities handle it.

JUD

The guy was a dick!

SETH

I'm just saying. That's why the people are a little weirded out.

JUD

They are? I thought they were just, you know, stupefied.

SETH

It's okay. You're a superhero, you're setting an example. You'll learn and they'll love you.

JUD

Wait! I'm supposed to be at my folks already! Tonight's dinner at home!

SETH

Okay. Change and I'll wait for you.

ANOTHER ONLOOKER

Gonna fix these holes?

JUD

Yeah, yeah.

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He starts to get to work. The green Frog hops over, sticking his tongue out with another CELL PHONE.

JUD (CONT'D)

No, that's someone else's. Thanks.

EXT. SUBURBAN TOWNHOUSE - EVENING

A modest home situated over PLATO PHARMACY, a small business owned by Jud's parents.

INT. DINING ROOM - CONTINUOUS

The grim dinner table consists of Jud, wearing a sweatshirt, his brother DAN, a young pharmacist wearing a shirt and tie, his father GEORGE, few words, semi-retired, his mom BONNIE, serving dinner, doting on Dan, disappointed in Jud, not shy about it.

DAN

And I said, look, Zithromax is never gonna be a cakewalk. But you'd better give it some serious thought because Triaminic's only gotten us so far.

BONNIE

Sounds like you handled it perfectly.

DAN

Well, I'm sorry it held me up.

BONNIE

Oh, that's nothing compared to Jud here.

JUD

I told you there was traffic, mom.

GEORGE

There's always traffic, Jud.

JUD

No, this was different.

DAN

Is that where the Green Lantern was?

BONNIE

The Green Lantern...

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DAN

Yeah, I heard there was a Green Lantern over on 87. Fixing holes in the highway.

BONNIE

Is that what held you up, Jud? Or were you busy eating a squirrel's uterus?

GEORGE

Alright, Bonnie.

BONNIE

I hope you have room for custard.

Jud sighs.

BONNIE (CONT'D)

Well, we have to live in this town. People know he's ours. They don't care that he was a mistake.

GEORGE

Alright, Bonnie.

JUD

Yeah, Dan, the Green Lantern was there.

DAN

Cool. That's like the 12th most important superhero.

JUD

You know what, I'm gonna go.

BONNIE

See? I told you. He must've filled up on grasshopper scrotum or whatever he eats on that show.

JUD

I'm going.

Jud starts to leave.

BONNIE

Don't do anything crazy, like getting a girl or a real job.

GEORGE

Alright, Bonnie. Jud, take care. Are you eliminated yet?

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JUD

Soon, Dad, soon.

Jud exits.

EXT. HOUSE - NIGHT

Jud is on the cell phone.

JUD

Meet me on Clark Street.

EXT. DOWNTOWN STREETS - NIGHT

A crappy, dangerous neighborhood. Jud is back in his Green Lantern suit, prowling the streets with Seth. Instead of pockets, Jud's equipped his suit now with a fanny-pack-like belt, with compartments for his wallet, cell phone, a can of Pringles and sunblock.

SETH

This isn't how Green Lantern does it, Jud.

JUD

Whatever, friend. It's clobberin' time.

SETH

That's not Green Lantern's line.

JUD

Who wants a taste of the green?

SETH

That sounds perverted, and Irish. Jud, I don't know what's bothering you, but if you want to kick ass so badly, you have to go find it. People aren't gonna just come up to a superhero.

JUD

I'm not just out to kick ass. How could you say that? You know me. I'm all about justice.

SETH

Right. Like paying me on that bet that Genesis would reunite? Fifty bucks, remember?

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JUD

Hey. Seth...gambling is an illicit activity, that no superhero would condone, by paying a debt.

SETH

Good one. So why are we here again?

JUD

To mete out justice.

SETH

Can we mete it out in time for "Robot Chicken"?

(indicates a nearby
POLICE CAR)

Why don't you see what those cops are up to?

JUD

That's good.

Jud's Green Ring eavesdrops on the Police Car and plays it for Jud and Seth.

COP #1 (V.O.)

Look, you patrol a high school enough times it's gonna happen.

COP #2 (V.O.)

I mean they make it almost impossible for us.

JUD

This is perfect!

COP #2 (V.O.)

They know we're cops and they don't give a damn.

SETH

Pushers.

COP #1 (V.O.)

This one kid that Gerry had to deal with...

JUD

Where is he? Let's get him.

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COP #1 (V.O.)

I mean the tits on this girl.
Every day, stickin' 'em in his
face.

Jud and Seth are embarrassed.

COP #2 (V.O.)

Did he go for it?

COP #1 (V.O.)

What do you think? She really was
18, though, he checked it out.

COP #2 (V.O.)

Smart.

COP #1 (V.O.)

Holy Christ, I saw her, she looked
25. And he said she banged like a
french whore.

SETH

Okay, let's just hook into the
dispatch radio.

Jud doesn't hear him, still listening.

COP #1 (V.O.)

Oh, yeah. Chick has an older
sister, taught her the ropes.

COP #2 (V.O.)

Nice.

SETH

Jud.

COP #1 (V.O.)

This girl was into everything.
One day she's going for his
cuffs...

SETH

Jud!

JUD

What?

SETH

You're not meting out justice.

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JUD
(sighs, then)
Two more minutes.

A WOMAN suddenly screams off-camera. Jud and Seth turn. She has run out of a Circle K.

COP #2 (V.O.)
She cuffed him to the bed?

COP #1 (V.O.)
She and the sister.

SETH
Jud!!

Jud sighs and runs off to the Circle K.

Inside, two doughy looking ROBBERS are holding up a HIGH SCHOOL KID. Jud bursts in.

HIGH SCHOOL KID
Wow! Green Lantern!

JUD
Yes, I am.

HIGH SCHOOL KID
You're like the tenth most --

JUD
Yeah, I know. Let's do this.

The Robbers fire guns at Jud.

Jud points the ray at the bullets, turning them into flying popcorn kernels. He snatches a few and eats them.

JUD (CONT'D)
Mmmm...kettle.

The Robbers' guns are out of bullets. Jud's ring's Green Ray zaps the guns turning them into DESIGNER LADIES SHOES. The Robbers are puzzled.

JUD (CONT'D)
Well, go ahead, try 'em on.

ROBBER #1
Let's get out here.

They run out of the store. Jud's ring conjures two green TREADMILLS under their feet. They have sophisticated READOUTS.

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JUD

Look at that! 60 calories in ten minutes. Don't say this was a wasted day.

The two COPS in the PATROL CAR pull over and arrive at the scene. Jud doesn't make the connection, then does.

JUD (CONT'D)

They're all yours, officers --
Whoa.

Seth gestures "don't say it."

JUD (CONT'D)

You can cuff 'em now...forget it.

The Cops are a bit confused as Jud exits and notices the crowd that has gathered to witness this.

JUD (CONT'D)

Folks -- my work here is done.
Time for this bird...eh-to fly.

Jud points his ring and soars upward to the delight of the crowd. He swoops back with a flourish and lifts Seth back up with him.

SETH

What are you doing? They can't
know we're friends!

JUD

Cheez, I thought you'd dig it.
Fine. Disguise.

Jud points the ring at Seth, giving him blonde curly hair and moustache.

SETH

Oh, that's great.

JUD

Just look happy, man. I'm giving
the people an exit. Then we swoop
over Corrine's house.

SETH

Corrine's house?

JUD

She gets a glimpse of Green, the
seeds of lust are planted and --
what the hell now -- ?

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Jud feels himself wobbling in the air.

SETH
What's up, Jud?

JUD
I feel like we're gonna fall or something...

The Green Light from Jud's ring is flickering a bit.

SETH
Oh, shit! The ring!

JUD
What do you mean? Why's it so weak?

SETH
It's been 24 hours since you got the ring! You have to recharge it!

JUD
What? Says who?

SETH
The dying guy! Did you hear anything he said?

JUD
What kind of bullshit? Is this some corporate Enron thing?

They are starting to fall.

SETH
What are you talking about?

JUD
Like they do it on purpose? Dude, like that bulb that GE has that lasts forever, but they won't put it out! Cuz no one'll buy bulbs!

SETH
This has nothing to do with that! Jesus! Make it stop!

They are falling fast now.

JUD
I can't! It's too weak!

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SETH

Then save it for the landing!

JUD

What?

SETH

Forget trying to fly! Think of something soft to land on!

JUD

Like what?

SETH

Just think! Now!

JUD

Naaaaaugh!

Just before they land, Jud's ring conjures up a green GIANT RACE CAR-SHAPED BED in the middle of the street. They land in it just in time.

There is an odd quiet as everyone on the street stares at Jud and Seth on the giant bed. Jud notices everyone as he climbs out of the bed.

JUD (CONT'D)

Ring. Went out.

Everyone still silent. The bed is now blocking traffic.

JUD (CONT'D)

Lemme get rid of this...

Jud attempts to remove the bed with his ring, but the ring is totally spent. Jud and Seth try to move the bed, but it is huge. Jud looks out weakly.

JUD (CONT'D)

We'll be back.

The hustle away as people are bewildered.

SETH

A race car bed?

JUD

You said think of something soft. Mine was really soft.

SETH

Yeah, it was.

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - LATER

Jud is charging the ring with the green LANTERN BATTERY.

SETH

"In brightest day, in blackest night"...say it.

JUD

What for? It's charging fine.

SETH

It's not magic, it's a vow. "No evil shall escape my sight."

JUD

(extremely solemn)
I wish I may, I wish I might...

SETH

Shut up.

JUD

...be as gay as Seth tonight.

SETH

Yeah. That's cute, Jud, that's cute. But there's a lot about this you still need to learn.

JUD

Tell me, oh wise visitor from Comic-con.

SETH

Being a Green Lantern is a job. It's not about banging Corrine --

JUD

I smell jealous.

SETH

-- or proving something to your mom. This power comes with great responsibility.

JUD

No, it doesn't. That's other superheroes, like Spiderman.

SETH

Jud, that goes for every superhero.

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SETH (CONT'D)

It's a universal truth that
Spiderman...actually his Uncle Ben
said it. The point is

Jud has conjured a GREEN BABE who is opening GREEN
PISTACHIO NUTS and feeding them to Jud on his couch.

SETH (CONT'D)

you got this power for a reason,
and you are being judged on how
you use it...and...you...

(noticing the Green
Babe and all)

you'll have to answer for it, Jud.
There will be consequences.

JUD

I got some green on my fingers.

The Babe starts to lick the green off Jud's fingers.
Jud's CAT rushes in and licks his hand as well. Jud
tries to shoo the cat.

EXT. PLANET OA - CONTINUOUS

The yellow, futuristic planet inhabited by the GUARDIANS
OF THE UNIVERSE.

INT. COUNCIL OF THE GUARDIANS - CONTINUOUS

The GUARDIANS, small elderly blue men with large heads
and identical red robes, sit in a sparse futuristic room
watching a huge GREEN MONITOR. On the monitor is the
scene in Jud's apartment, with the green Babe, the
pistachios, the licking, the cat and all. They are
concerned.

GUARDIAN #1

The one who has succeeded Abin Sur
wields the power-ring most
recklessly.

GUARDIAN #3

Surely Abin's ring chose the
worthiest successor. And he has
displayed the requisite
fearlessness both in practice and
on cable television.

GUARDIAN #2

Then his training is insufficient!

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GUARDIAN #1

Perhaps the criteria for choosing Green Lanterns need to be increased, to include qualities like humility...

They watch Jud throw his cat across the room.

GUARDIAN #3

...intelligence...

GUARDIAN #4

Emotional maturity.

GUARDIAN #2

The criteria of fearlessness has served us well for eons! Let us give the one in sector 2814 sufficient time to prove himself.

Jud has put some pistachios on his toes for the babe to lick off. Seth is consoling the cat.

GUARDIAN #4

Very well. We shall monitor his activity in the coming days. But for now, I can't watch this.

GUARDIAN #1

Me neither.

GUARDIAN #2

Understood.

They switch off the monitor.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - THE NEXT DAY

Jud is struggling to push a very heavy bin filled with several geometric BED FRAMES. A WOMAN CUSTOMER walks by and tosses a CAN of DIET COKE into the bin.

Jud steams, doesn't need this shit. He surreptitiously puts on his green ring, creating floating green TONGS with his ray that lift the can out of the bin and pour the remaining contents into the unsuspecting woman's HANDBAG. Jud quickly puts the ring away.

INT. CORRINE'S OFFICE - LATER

Corrine is chatting with AMY, an assistant manager.

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CORRINE

He was really cute, and he was an investment banker...

AMY

Oh...nice...

CORRINE

I know, so far, so good, right? But then this fat curly haired brunette walks by...

AMY

How fat?

CORRINE

You know, fat. Fatter than me. 125.

AMY

Gross.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - CONTINUOUS

Jud is about ten feet away from the door. He is hearing everything through a tiny GREEN EARPIECE he holds to his ear.

CORRINE (V.O.)

And I could see it in his eyes. Five minutes later, he's at her table.

AMY (V.O.)

Asshole.

A FLOOR SUPERVISER stares at Jud for a moment. Jud scratches his ear and smiles as if to explain his stance.

The Supervisor continues to stare. Jud quietly pulls the piece out of his ear. The Supervisor walks away.

Jud walks a bit closer toward the wall near Corinne's office. Positioning himself where no one will see, he quickly points the ring to his right ear and turns it into a large green DOG'S EAR. He resumes listening.

CORRINE (V.O.)

I wasn't mad, though. Cuz, I'm just looking to have fun, too, if it's not the right guy.

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AMY (V.O.)

Like, cute, and an investment banker.

CORRINE (V.O.)

Stop. He doesn't have to be rich rich. Just not a total loser.

AMY (V.O.)

You mean, like every guy here?

They both laugh. Jud steams and retracts the dog ear.

CUT TO:

Corrine and Amy coming out of Corrine's office. Jud sees them and instinctively tries to hide, even though they have no clue what he was doing.

Jud cops a stare at Corrine's ass. Damn. He gets madder. Screw this.

INT. FURNITURE STORE BATHROOM - MOMENTS LATER

Jud has opened the window in the bathroom as far as possible. He double checks that no one is around and immediately transforms himself into Green Lantern. He points the ring at the window opening and flies out, briefly catching his foot on the windowsill.

EXT. FURNITURE STORE - MOMENTS LATER

Jud in Green Lantern outfit hovering in the sky outside the store. He flies a bit and finds the window of Corrine's office. Corrine is back in there. He thinks for a moment and flies off.

EXT. CITY - MOMENTS LATER

Jud has flown to a more crowded area, looking for trouble. Unfortunately, everything is placid.

EXT. CITY STREET - MOMENTS LATER

Jud eyes an ELDERLY WOMAN trying to cross a wide street. She makes it. Oh, well.

EXT. FIRE DEPARTMENT - MOMENTS LATER

Jud zips over to see if there's a problem. Nothing.
Peeks inside. Some firemen are playing billiards. Wow.

EXT. SKYSCRAPER - MOMENTS LATER

Jud passes a couple of skyscrapers, discouraged. Then he notices a SCAFFOLD on a very high floor. A WINDOW WASHER goes about his daily business. Jud eyes him and thinks.

Jud pulls out his cell phone and dials.

INTERCUT WITH

INT. BEST BUY-TYPE STORE - CONTINUOUS

Seth, standing in his uniform, checks his cell phone, sees who it's from and answers it surreptitiously.

SETH

What is it?

JUD

Yeah, look, I want some Corrine.
And I'm thinking about doing
something that, you're probably
gonna say, I shouldn't. But I
gotta ask.

SETH

(dubious)

What is it?

JUD

(pause, then)

You know what, forget it.

Jud hangs up and points his ring at the scaffolding.

JUD (CONT'D)

(to ring)

Invisible...

The ray goes invisible and nudges the scaffolding,
sending the Window Washer falling and screaming.

JUD (CONT'D)

(sighs)

Okie-doke.

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As the CROWD below screams, Jud flies in from seemingly nowhere (actually from a landing) and points his ring at the falling Window Washer, creating a giant green TRAMPOLINE underneath him. The Window Washer bounces high off the trampoline, which disappears, and Jud catches him, with a bit of difficulty at first, then smoothly carrying him in the air with the aid of his ring. The crowd cheers wildly.

WINDOW WASHER

Ay dios mio. It's a miracle!

JUD

No problem.

With that, Jud starts to fly off with the Window Washer. The crowd is briefly confused but chooses to cheer.

CROWD MEMBER

Where are they going?

ANOTHER CROWD MEMBER

Maybe he's taking him to a hospital for precautions.

JUD

(hearing this)

That's good. Senor, I'm taking you to the hospital.

WINDOW WASHER

I'm fine. Gracias.

JUD

Please. I know better, I'm heroic. I think there's one around here...

Jud has flown the Window Washer all the way back to vicinity of his furniture store.

WINDOW WASHER

I'm okay.

Jud flies past Corrine's window. She doesn't notice.

Jud flies past again, this time he briefly kicks the upper window.

WINDOW WASHER (CONT'D)

Where is the hospital?

Jud flies past one more time. This time Corrine is at the window. He flies a bit more slowly.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - MOMENTS LATER

Jud has entered the store with the Window Washer. Everybody turns and notices. Jud addresses the Supervisor but speaks for all to hear, in slightly affected superhero tones.

JUD

Pardon me, I just saved this gentleman who fell off a scaffolding. I can't seem to find a hospital around here.

SUPERVISOR

You saved this man?

Corrine hurries forward, clearly awed by Jud.

CORRINE

I saw him. I saw him out of my window.

JUD

Perhaps you can help me...? I'm Green Lantern.

CORRINE

(starstruck)

Yes. Of course I can help. The Mercy Hospital is probably the closest, you go north on 84...

JUD

Actually, I was going to fly...

CORRINE

Oh. Well...

EXT. SKY - MOMENTS LATER

Jud is flying, carrying a smiling Corrine, who offers directions, and the confused Window Washer.

INT. MERCY HOSPITAL ER WAITING ROOM - LATER

Jud and Corrine bring the Window Washer to the triage desk.

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JUD

I just saved this gentleman from falling off a scaffold. See that he's alright.

CLERK

Will do.
(to Window Washer)
What type of insurance?

WINDOW WASHER

I don't have.

He turns to Green Lantern, who is gone, along with Corrine.

CLERK

Proof of residency?

The Window Washer bolts.

INT. ROMANTIC RESTAURANT - LATER

Jud, still in Green Lantern uniform, is bullshitting superhero-style over dessert and wine with the still starstruck Corrine. The MAITRE'D comes over and tears up the bill. Jud shrugs humbly.

EXT. TREE-LINED STREET - LATER

Jud and Corrine are walking and chatting. Jud notices a CAT in a tree, but continues chatting and walking as his ring sends a green HAND behind him that pulls the cat out of the tree and flies over to its OWNER, delivering the cat to her bewilderment.

EXT. CORRINE'S HOUSE - LATER

Jud/Lantern and Corrine make out at her front door. Suddenly TELLE-TEG, a man in a suit with an oversized bald head, runs up to him.

TELLE-TEG

You are the one they call Green Lantern!

JUD

Yeah, yeah. Ya want a picture, what?

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TELLE-TEG

I must speak with you! It is of utmost importance!

JUD

Excuse me, Corrine...

Jud takes Telle-Teg aside out of earshot.

JUD (CONT'D)

This isn't the prime time, Kojak.

TELLE-TEG

But you are a target! The Tchk-Tchkii seek the Green Lanterns to take them to Oa!

JUD

Wait, what are, the who?

TELLE-TEG

I am Telle-Teg. I have escaped my planet of Tchk-Tchk via teleport. My deto-flare distracted the patrol. The gwa bolts you deflected were --

JUD

Whoa, whoa, time out, science! Not my thing. English or bust.

TELLE-TEG

They have built a transformer bridge to your plus matter universe! They will trace your whereabouts as have I! You must --

JUD

I mustn't! Okay? Not tonight.
(pointing to door)
Habla? So take it back to planet Cockblock and we'll chat tomorrow.

TELLE-TEG

But time is --

JUD

Of the essence? Yeah. So's my dick.

Telle-Teg appears puzzled.

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JUD (CONT'D)

Sorry. That was weak. But I think we understand each other. Right? I'm about to turn on the Little Green Lantern, if you --

TELLE-TEG

But I must --

Jud zaps him with the ring as he approaches the door.

EXT. BAJA BEACH - DAY

Telle-Teg is suddenly in the same position in the middle of an OUTDOOR BAR at a beach resort. A MEXICAN WAITER hands him a STRAWBERRY DAIQUIRI.

TELLE-TEG

Green Lantern! Where are you!?

EXT. CORRINE'S HOUSE - LATER

Jud/Lantern and Corrine make out at her front door.

CORRINE

Wow. I just can't believe this is happening.

JUD

I know. Perhaps it was fate, that that window washer happened to fall, and me happening to save him.

CORRINE

And happening to pass my office! It had to be. You're just, so incredible, and hot, compared to guys I'm used to.

Jud knows this, but can't help but feel a little hurt.

CORRINE (CONT'D)

And I'm, like, so comfortable with you. I thought I'd be intimidated. But I feel so safe with you.

JUD

Yeah. Well, I'm a superhero.

CORRINE

So come on in...Green. Come on.

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JUD
 (pause, then)
 I really should be turning in. I
 like to get started early.

CORRINE
 (a little
 disappointed)
 Okay...will I see you again?

JUD
 Sure...I know where you work.

She smiles weakly.

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

Jud, in his underwear, is reviewing what happened with Seth. Numerous two foot tall GREEN ELVES, male and female, are changing his sheets and cleaning his place with green SWIFFERS.

JUD
 I just got bummed. I wanted her
 to like me, not the green me.

SETH
 Since when?

JUD
 I'm sorry. Nothing turns me on
 more than a girl who's actually
 attracted to me.

SETH
 Wow. All that work, and you blow
 it by having a soul.

WIDEN/REVEAL:

INT. COUNCIL OF THE GUARDIANS - CONTINUOUS

The Guardians are watching this exchange on their
 MONITOR. They are obviously pleased.

SETH
 I mean, you made a guy fall!

JUD
 Yeah. But it's not for nothing.

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SETH

Yeah it is.

JUD

Dude. Now I have an in with the girl. Now I use that and I gets her to like the real me.

SETH

Oh, no.

JUD

I know it sounds all herky jerky but it's poetry up here.
(pointing to head)

The Guardians are deflated. On the monitor a GREEN ELF walks in with a slightly overcooked PIZZA.

JUD (CONT'D)

Perfect. Really, I love bubbles.

SETH

I don't believe it. This is really how you want to use your powers?

JUD

Well...more like this.

He conjures a glowing GREEN CORRINE who starts to lap dance for him.

SETH

She's green, Jud. That does it for you?

JUD

You get used to it.

Suddenly, to his horror, Jud dematerializes.

JUD (CONT'D)

Yeee-owww!

He's gone. Seth is left with the Green Corrine.

SETH

I...uh...

GREEN CORRINE

Yeah?

Suddenly the Green Elf dives in and starts making out with the Green Corrine. Seth sighs.

EXT. PLANET OA - MOMENTS LATER

Jud finds himself beamed into the strange planet of Oa, back in his Lantern uniform. He is surrounded by four GREEN LANTERNS from alternate sectors of the universe.

JUD

Ow! What the --

The orange beaked TOMA-RE addresses him.

TOMA-RE

The Guardians have summoned you.
You are on the planet Oa.

Jud pulls out his cell phone, panicked.

TOMA-RE (CONT'D)

Your signal will not work here.

JUD

It's Verizon.

They look at him blankly.

JUD (CONT'D)

What are you dudes wearing?

TOMA-RE

We are each Green Lanterns assigned to alternate sectors of the universe. I am Toma-Re of the planet Xudar. This is

Jud looks up at SALAKK, a crabby Green Lantern with four arms and a purple elongated football shaped head.

TOMA-RE (CONT'D)

Salakk, Green Lantern of Slyggia and Sector 1418.

JUD

So I'm not the only Green Lantern?

SALAKK

Don't you know anything?

SINESTRO, a refined humanoid Green Lantern with beet red face, slicked black hair and pencil thin moustache, chimes in.

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SINESTRO

Of course not. His planet
perspires ignorance.

TOMA-RE

Yes, there are thousands of Green
Lanterns. This is Sinestro of
Korugar and Sector 1417.

SINESTRO

The most orderly sector in the
universe.

MEDPHYLL, a Green Lantern with brown face, one eye, and
leaves for hair.

TOMA-RE

Medphyll, Green Lantern of J586.

JUD

(gesturing to his own
head)

You, uh, have some leaves on your
head. Right up there...

Medphyll touches his head curiously.

TOMA-RE

Medphyll is a plant creature.

JUD

Yeah, I know, that was just...

SALAKK

(barking loudly)
Disrespectful!

TOMA-RE

This is Xax, of Xaos...

XAX is a tiny grasshopper-like Green Lantern.

JUD

(containing self)

Right. Okay. No jokes. How are
you? You're not funny at all.

TOMA-RE

You require training and
orientation. We located you by
tracing your ring's activity.

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JUD

Oh. All of it?

CUT TO:

FLASHBACK - EXT. MOVIE THEATER - DAY

Jud is in the back of a long ticket buyers line for a Chronicles of Narnia-type movie. He quietly uses the ring to rotate everything on the street but the line itself. Now in front, he turns around and steps to the box office as the OTHERS ON LINE, mostly children, are distraught and confused.

FLASHBACK - EXT. FIELD - DAY

Jud has conjured the green ORIGINAL BEATLES with his ring. They perform and sing "Please Please Me" on a green STAGE. Jud jumps on the stage and grabs JOHN's microphone, taking over the lead vocals. Conjured green GIRLS in the audience scream for Jud as the Beatles continue, confused. Jud gratuitously smashes his guitar.

EXT. PLANET OA - CONTINUOUS

TOMA-RE

(embarrassed for Jud)

Yes. All.

SALAKK

(disgusted)

Pistachio nuts.

TOMA-RE

(flying)

Let us move forward. To the book!

The others follow him, flying into a high tech domed yellow building.

INT. OAN BUILDING - CONTINUOUS

They take a moving sidewalk to another high tech domed area. Jud notices Green Lanterns everywhere.

JUD

I'm loving this place. So futury.

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SINESTRO

Quiet! No one speaks here but the book! Order will not be compromised!

JUD

What's the b -- oh, mama...

Jud has arrived inside the dome. He and the others stand before the enormous Green hardcover BOOK.

TOMA-RE

In these revered pages lies all the knowledge of the Guardians. Our rings will translate its text into words you know. Watch and learn...

The BOOK opens itself to the section highlighting Legion's origins, "The 1087th Achievement". Jud watches the pages and hears the voice of a Guardian read the words on the page. Illustrations also tell the story of the TCHK-TCHKII.

GUARDIAN (V.O.)

In Sector 407, at the parting of the greater Magellanic Clouds, a small planet, TchK-Tchk, orbits a brown dwarf star. The TchK-Tchkii were a sentient and highly technological species. Like most hive societies,

Toma-Re listens attentively. Jud strains to follow.

GUARDIAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)

they were relentlessly expansionist, first conquering the planet, then blazing a trail of destruction and plunder across the galaxies. The Guardians knew appeasement was impossible, that strategic containment would prove ephemeral, and that the dictates of Order and Justice do not permit genocide. When the

Jud is nodding off.

GUARDIAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)

surviving TchK-Tchkii were contained by the Green Lantern Corp -- are you getting all of this?

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Jud snaps to order.

JUD

Whuh? Yeah, yeah, the chi-
chis...they went to the Green
Lantern Corp.

Suddenly the heads of four Guardians project above the
book.

TOMA-RE

His intent is pure...

GUARDIAN #2

Yes. His desire is compromised by
distinct functional deficiencies.

JUD

What?

GUARDIAN #3

We made preparations for this
circumstance. Observe.

The book recedes and an enormous MONITOR shoots up in
front of it. MUPPET-LIKE CHARACTERS sing a bouncy tune.

MUPPET-LIKE CHARACTERS

ON A PLANET FAR
'ROUND A SMALL BROWN STAR
LIVED A SPECIES CALLED
THE TCHK-TCHKII

JUD

Hey...I was getting the book!

GUARDIAN #1

Just watch.

TCHK-TCHKII PUPPETS act out the song as the other Muppet-
like characters sing.

MUPPET-LIKE CHARACTERS

THEY WERE LIKE BIG ANTS
BUT THEY WORE NO PANTS
OH THE SPECIES CALLED
THE TCHK-TCHKII

Jud smiles. He's getting into it.

MUPPET-LIKE CHARACTERS (CONT'D)

BUT THEY WEREN'T CONTENT TO STAY
IN THEIR HIVES

(MORE)

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MUPPET-LIKE CHARACTERS (CONT'D)
 SO THEY CONQUERED TCHK-TCHK LOSING
 LOTS OF LIVES
 THEN THEY TOOK THEIR CRUSADE INTO
 OVERDRIVE
 IT WAS TIME TO STOP THE TCHK-
 TCHKII

JUD
 (thrilled)
 Then what??

Toma-Re looks at Jud incredulously.

MUPPET-LIKE CHARACTERS
 THE GUARDIANS WOULDN'T KILL THEM
 CUZ GENOCIDE IS NOT ALLOWED
 SO THE GREEN LANTERN CORPS DROVE
 THEM BACK TO TCHK-TCHK
 AND SEALED IT WITH AN ENERGY CLOUD

NOW THEY CAN'T ESCAPE
 FROM THE CLOSED TERRAIN
 OF THE SPECIES CALLED
 THE TCHK-TCHKII
 GIVE PRAISE TO THE GUARDIANS
 FOR ORDER MAINTAINED
 (Jud sings along)
 WITH THE SPECIES CALLED...
 THE TCHK-TCHKII!

The screen disappears. Jud applauds.

JUD
 Whooo!
 (to the others)
 That was really fun!

GUARDIAN
 Commence his training at once!

The Guardians disappear.

TOMA-RE
 I assume you have questions. We
 will answer as we our able.

JUD
 Well, like I said, I loved it.

Everyone looks at him blankly.

JUD (CONT'D)
 Loved it. The lyrics, the
 singing. Great story. But what
 does all this have to do with me?

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SINESTRO

You are part of a greater continuum, spanning galaxies and millenia...you are merely one of thousands committed to defending the forces of justice and order!

JUD

Oh.

TOMA-RE

You may inquire further.

JUD

Well. Okay...I have to ask.

(to Xax, indicating
Medphyll)

Have you ever tried to eat his hair?

SALAKK

Quiet!! You must understand! Our rings see the Tchk-Tchkii on a rampage for power! They are seeking Green Lanterns to direct them to Oa!

JUD

Wait...you mean those ants on TV? They didn't look anything like the yellow martian guy who shot at me.

SINESTRO

It was an alien! Not a martian!!

TOMA-RE

His form may have been different, but the guardians reveal only what we are meant to know.

JUD

(mock wonder)

Whoooooo-oooooooooooo.....

SALAKK

Aaacck! Our sectors and Oa could be under siege, and every Green Lantern must be prepared!

SINESTRO

Salakk, his will is manifest. It is merely clouded by the culture of ignorance run rampant on his planet.

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JUD

Yeah. What he said.

TOMA-RE

You will benefit from one of our most highly-regarded instructors.

JUD

Cool.

KILOWOG, 8'3'', 600 pounds, all muscle, fanged and orange skulled, bursts in and leans into Jud.

KILOWOG

Where is he? Up and at 'em, Poozer! I'm Kilowog, and you're my meat!

JUD

Uh...bring it on.

Xax nods excitedly.

MONTAGE

- Kilowog and Jud/Green Lantern are flying in space.

KILOWOG

Not too bad for a diaper case.

JUD

Yeah, I can kick it if need be.

Kilowog suddenly takes off at lightning speed, a green streak. He disappears over the horizon and returns behind Jud, grabbing his shirt tightly with his fist.

KILOWOG

That's one lap around the planet I got on ya, poo butt. Don't let me orbit ya agin or you're doin' laps all day!

- Kilowog firing green KNIVES at Jud, whose ring produces individual METAL CLAWS to catch them.

KILOWOG (CONT'D)

No blanket shielding! Grab each one of 'em, girlie!

JUD

(concentrating)

Ring-ring-ring-ring-ring-ring-ring-ring...

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KILOWOG

Don't move your lips!!

- Kilowog watches as Xax, the grasshopper-like Green Lantern, and Jud compete. Their rings have each projected a pair of green human HANDS. Jud's green palms are face down, directly over Xax's which are face up. Xax's hands repeatedly slap Jud's before Jud can pull them back. At one point, Xax is reading a Xoaxian magazine while still beating Jud.

KILOWOG (CONT'D)

Ya can't beat a Xaoxian? Look at ya, ya got the reflexes of a penguin with Alzheimer's.

JUD

What?

KILOWOG

Huh? You know what I'm sayin'.

- Kilowog's ring creates a green COUGAR that Jud fights off with his ring's FISTS. Kilowog sends another cougar at Jud, then another, and another, then three at a time. As Jud's ring continues to fight them off, Kilowog sends more and more cougars, coming at Jud faster and faster.

JUD

Wait! Wait! Stop!!

Kilowog momentarily stops the onslaught.

JUD (CONT'D)

This is never gonna happen in real life! That's, like, thirty cougars!

KILOWOG

I know that. But now, when only twenty cougars come after you, it'll be a piece of cake!

Jud looks at him like he's nuts, but is instantly attacked by new cougars to fend off.

- Jud collapses onto his bunk.

- Kilowog is playing a PROJECTION of the film BASIC INSTINCT in the sky as Jud watches, bewildered.

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Kilowog then fires a large boulder at Jud. Jud's ring conjures two **CROSSED SHARON STONE LEGS**, which barely protect him from the boulder. He is knocked to the ground.

JUD

What happened?

KILOWOG

You're weak!

Kilowog's ring forms a **FIST** and punches a dazed Jud in the face. Jud counters by again conjuring and sending **SHARON STONE'S LEGS** at Kilowog, accomplishing nothing.

KILOWOG (CONT'D)

Focus, ya bum!

- Kilowog's ring has a green **MACHINE GUN** firing **BULLETS** at Jud. Jud, more focused, confidently fends them off, first turning them into **BUBBLES**.

KILOWOG (CONT'D)

Nice. Switch!

As he continues firing, Jud now creates rapid fire **MINIATURE SHIELDS** for every bullet.

KILOWOG (CONT'D)

Good. Again!

This time Jud creates green **SECRET SERVICEMEN** who, in rapid succession, take the bullets for Jud. Finally there is a huge pile of green **Secret Servicemen** at his feet. This time Kilowog is weirded out.

KILOWOG (CONT'D)

That's messed up.

JUD

(shrugs)

It's called flair.

KILOWOG

It's messed up.

They share an odd smile.

- Toma-Re is bound to a **CHAIR** that hangs precariously over a swamp outside the **CITADEL**, where the **GUARDIANS** reside.

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KILOWOG (CONT'D)

Okay. Ring challenge. Tomar is bound by two locks, one on my side and one on yours. Whichever ring frees him first, Tomar will escape from that side. Then, whichever ring catches him first, pulls him to its side and wins. Got it?

JUD

Let's go.

KILOWOG

On three. 1, 2, 3!

Kilowog and Jud both point their rings at the rope holding up Toma-Re's chair. They burn the rope, sending Toma-Re falling straight down into the swamp. Kilowog and Jud explode in laughter as Toma-Re lies confused and gooey.

- Kilowog and Jud wrestling each other. In order to compete, Jud is operating within a huge transparent green version of himself. Xax and Toma-Re watch mystified as they recklessly roll around, pounce on each other, laughing and inadvertently damaging property outside the Citadel. Sinestro seethes.

INT. BUNK ROOM - NIGHT

Jud is lying on his bunk bed awake.

JUD

Kilowog?

Kilowog, in the much larger upper bunk, awakens.

KILOWOG

What is it, Poozer?

JUD

Am I gonna go back soon?

KILOWOG

Got a ladyfriend, huh?

JUD

Kinda. And a cat.

KILOWOG

I had to leave a lady. Left my planet t'become a Green Lantern.

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JUD

Wow. What'd she look like?

KILOWOG

Nice package. Seven foot nine.
Not too showy. She was a 63 C
cup.

JUD

Sweet.

KILOWOG

Just right. But ya gotta make the
sacrifice.

JUD

Hmm. Yeah. Well...maybe I should
see her one more time. Hey, you
could come, too, you'd love Earth.

KILOWOG

Huh? We gotta train.

JUD

Seriously. Great food, incredible
dirt, and water. You deserve a
break! After all you've given up.

KILOWOG

We couldn't go long.

JUD

And you know something?...You're
the only guy here who'd fit in.
You'd rock it.

Kilowog takes in the compliment.

EXT. OLIVE GARDEN - DAY

Jud and Kilowog, in civilian clothes, are enjoying lunch
at the outdoor cafe of the Olive Garden in Jud's
neighborhood. Jud is on his cell phone.

JUD

We're coming over. Yeah, I got a
lot to tell you. You're gonna
love him.

Kilowog eats his beer mug.

JUD (CONT'D)

Um...that's not for eating.

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - LATER

Seth sits protectively as Kilowog stomps around the apartment like a caged animal. Jud reassures Seth.

KILOWOG

He was a poozer! And now he's a fightin' machine!

JUD

(confiding to Seth)

He had eighteen beers. But he's a kitten, I'm telling you...

KILOWOG

One week of training!

JUD

Yep, one week.

(to Seth)

So I'm gonna split.

SETH

Already?

JUD

I gotta see her tonight. I know what I'm doing.

(to Kilowog)

Hey Kilowog...how about Seth and you watch a movie while I catch up with my ladyfriend? I got some dvds here.

Jud pulls out a few DVDs, including "Goodfellas", which Kilowog grabs and eats.

JUD (CONT'D)

Yeah, that's a classic. Scorsese. Okay, so, Seth? You'll entertain Kilowog.

Seth glares at Jud as Kilowog burns off more energy.

JUD (CONT'D)

And then we'll catch up. Have fun, guys. Don't eat the cat.

He leaves.

INT. CORRINE'S LIVING ROOM - LATER

Jud in Green Lantern costume as just entered. He is carrying a bouquet of green FLOWERS and a green BOX OF CHOCOLATES.

CORRINE

These are so sweet.

JUD

This is a lovely place, Corrine.

CORRINE

Thank you, Green. I was worried you were never gonna call. I thought it was back to loserville for me.

Jud's a bit hurt once again.

JUD

Why don't we just hang out here tonight? Watch TV, talk...

CORRINE

You know what, I would love that. I have had the worst day. There were these two women who just did not know what they wanted, and meanwhile I have to plan my vacation to Aruba and --

Jud quickly points his ring at Corrine and FAST FORWARDS her conversation until he gets to the part where they start making out. After a bit of that...

CORRINE (CONT'D)

Okay, that's better.

JUD

Yes. Oh, it's 8 pm.

Jud hits the couch and turns the TV remote to his reality show, which has already started. Corrine joins him but moves toward the remote.

CORRINE

What's this?

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JUD

You haven't seen "The Dare Diner"?
It's the coolest show on
television. Everyone's talking
about it...

CORRINE

Everyone where?

JUD

You'll see. It's like "Fear
Factor" but only the eating part.

On the screen, a MALE CONTESTANT is eating a large GOOSE
EGG, including the shell.

JUD (CONT'D)

(getting more Jud-
like)

That guy's nothin'.

CORRINE

Oh, my G-d, this is so gross. I
can't be looking at this.

She quickly turns the remote to anything else.

JUD

Hey, I swear, it gets better.
That dude doesn't know what he's
doing. That's not how you eat an
eggshell.

Jud switches the remote back to his show.

CORRINE

Gree-eeen!

CUT TO:

TV SCREEN - CONTINUOUS

As dramatic MUSIC plays, judges at a table are indicating
marks for the Male Contestant...two 7s and an 8.

HOST (V.O.)

The judges did not like the way
Craig took the shell off, peeling
it instead of biting into it.

Jud is stepping up to the table.

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HOST (V.O.) (CONT'D)
 Now let's see if Jud can eat this
 entire snake. Official degree of
 difficulty: 9.

A gun is fired and Jud starts to wolf down the snake.

CUT TO:

INT. CORRINE'S LIVING ROOM - CONTINUOUS

HOST (V.O. CONT'D)
 He starts with the tail...he's
 having no trouble so far...

CORRINE
 Ohmyg-d it's Jud from work!

JUD
 Wait! Hold the phone! You know
 Jud Plato?

CORRINE
 Not like this! Gross! He is such
 a federline!

JUD
 Jud Plato is a badass! He's the
 coolest guy on TV!

CORRINE
 He's disgusting, Green!

JUD
 (sighs, regroups to
 superhero tone)
 I think you're misjudging Jud
 Plato. Maybe you need to see the
 episode where he drinks a frog
 through a straw.

CORRINE
 I can't be hearing this.

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - CONTINUOUS

Seth and Kilowog are watching "Superman Returns".

KILOWOG
 This is hilarious! Killin' me!

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Kilowog tears off a piece of the couch and eats it as Seth smiles politely.

INT. CORRINE'S LIVING ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

CORRINE

He's awful. And what do you mean, he's hung like a horse?

JUD

It's just something I read.

CORRINE

I don't even want to look at him.

She grabs the remote and turns the channel. It plays "Cali High", an "OC" kind of show.

CORRINE (CONT'D)

That's better.

On the TV, two BITCHY GIRLS are on line at the student lounge, cutting in front of a SMART GIRL.

BITCHY GIRL #1

Two lattes, tall and skinny.

SMART GIRL

Right. Cuz nothing can ever be too tall or too thin. Even your beverages.

Corrine smiles, enjoying the patter. Jud is bored but smiles politely.

On TV, some HANDSOME GUY walks over to the SMART GIRL.

HANDSOME GUY

Hey.

SMART GIRL

Hey.

HANDSOME GUY

I thought your presentation was really cool today --

Jud tries to enjoy it. Suddenly, Jud's ring shoots a green ray at the remote, forming a hand that changes the channel back. The hand immediately retreats.

The HOST of "The Dare Diner" is presenting Jud with a gold object.

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CORRINE

What happened?

JUD

I don't know.

HOST

Jud...you are coming back next week. You get another golden rectum.

CORRINE

(turning it back)

Did you turn it? I was watching!

JUD

Of course not. It's over anyway. Jud Plato kicked butt again.

CORRINE

Whatever.

On the TV, two more hot people are having a talk on "Cali High".

HOT GIRL

What are you doing here?

HOT GUY

(meaningful pause)

I should have gone to the dance with you.

HOT GIRL

That's why you're here? To tell me that?

Corrine is settling in, enjoying it. Jud puts his arm around her and tries again to tolerate this crap. It's not easy.

HOT GUY

And I thought...we could hang out.

HOT GIRL

No. See? This isn't gonna work, Dylan. Dinner and a movie on Friday, I understand. I can put it in my Blackberry. Showing up at my doorstep at ten-thirty and saying you want to "hang out"?--

Jud is starting to sweat and bite his lip.

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HOT GUY

Dinner and a movie, then. Write it down.

HOT GIRL

But something will happen --

HOT GUY

What?

HOT GIRL

You. You'll happen, Ryan. You're drama. And I don't want drama.

Suddenly the ring shoots another ray that forms a LARGE LEG AND BOOTED FOOT that kicks the TV screen in, smashing it to pieces.

CORRINE

What the hell!?! They were about to make up!!

Jud gets up to leave.

JUD

I'm sorry. I need to go.

CORRINE

Who's gonna clean this?

Jud's ring creates a green SPANISH HOUSEKEEPER that starts sweeping up most of the broken TV. Corrine immediately bosses her around.

CORRINE (CONT'D)

You're going to need to mop that glass.

Jud's ring zaps a green PLASMA TV on Corrine's wall. It is playing the same crappy show in green.

CORRINE (CONT'D)

Can you fix the color?

JUD

I said I gotta -- whoah!!

To his surprise and horror, Jud suddenly dematerializes and disappears. Corrine gets back into the TV show.

EXT. PLANET OA - DAY

Jud materializes again on Oa, where Salakk waits for him.

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JUD

Oww! What?!

SALAKK

No more games!!

Salakk angrily presses his ring against Jud's. He addresses Jud's ring.

SALAKK

Begin full environmental
playback...access ring memories,
sectors 2817, 2816, 2815.

JUD

What's your deal? I was on leave!

JUD'S RING

Beginning full environmental
playback.

JUD

Whuh?

FLASH of GREEN LIGHT fills the screen.

INT. SPACESHIP - CONTINUOUS

Suddenly Jud and Salakk are completely Green holograms, inside the same spaceship where Abin Sur summoned Jud. Only now the spaceship is restored and functioning. And Abin Sur is at the controls.

JUD

What's this now? Hey it's the
dead guy!!

SALAKK

He's not dead...yet. We are
watching a playback of his demise.

Abin Sur operates the controls with his power ring, firing into a meteor storm.

JUD

Cool. Look at him shoot those
meteors. Not bad, Deady.

Suddenly, LEGION, an enormous yellow robotic monster, crashes through the back of the cockpit area.

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LEGION

Abin Sur! Take us to Oa!
Conquest is our destiny!!

JUD

Dear Lord!! Bail, Dead Guy!
Bail!

SALAKK

He can't hear you.

ABIN SUR

I gave you my answer before!

LEGION

We didn't like your answer, Abin!

Abin Sur's ring fires a giant green PICK that tears off machinery on the ceiling, dropping the wreckage on Legion. Legion shakes it off.

JUD

Just zap the bitchass!

SALAKK

He's yellow. Please tell me you
know about that.

JUD

Uh...yeah, right.

Abin flashes the ring out toward a window.

SALAAK

He's signaling for help.

JUD

So you guys show up?

SALAAK

I never received it in time. My
sector is way across the universe.

Legion grabs Abin and throws him across the room into the wreckage. Abin's ring attempts to block Legion by pulling up the floor panels. Legion tears them down and tosses one at Abin.

LEGION

You are only one, and we are many.
You are dying...where is Oa?!

Abin pulls a lever opening an escape hatch near Legion.

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LEGION (CONT'D)

No!!!

JUD

There it is...

Jud attempts to high five Salakk who leaves him hanging. Legion is sucked out of the ship and propelled into space. Abin is dying, though, and the ship is spinning out of control.

JUD (CONT'D)

Okay, I know what happens here.

SALAKK

You don't want to stay for this?

Abin Sur summons his remaining strength and struggles to right the ship. But he knows he's doomed.

JUD

Brave dude.

ABIN SUR

(to his ring)

Find him, ring...find the one who is without fear...who shall carry on to protect all I die for...

Jud is solemn for the first time in the film. Salakk takes notice. The spaceship shakes more.

SALAKK

Okay. We can go.

Salakk's ring touches Jud's. FLASH of GREEN LIGHT.

INT. OAN BUILDING - CONTINUOUS

Jud and Salakk are full bodies again, in Oa with Toma-Re, Medphyll, Sinestro and Xax.

TOMA-RE

Are you alright?

JUD

Hey, Tomar. Yeah, I'm back.

TOMA-RE

And do you understand now?

JUD

I hate that guy. But who was he?

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SALAAK

That is Legion. We believe it to be a collective of all the Tchk-Tchkii enmassed as one.

JUD

Wow. All those ants hooking up in one big glob.

SINESTRO

Tchk-Tchkii!

JUD

Now who's the guy with the wings and the bolts who went after me?

MEDPHYLL

That was a single Tchk-Tchk in humanoid form.

SINESTRO

The Tchk-Tchkii assess the challenge each Lantern presents and expend accordingly.

JUD

(embarrassed)

Oh.

TOMA-RE

Sinestro, we do not know that for fact. We are speculating based on their pattern of behavior.

XAX

(to Jud)

And on you.

TOMA-RE

Xax.

XAX

Someone had to say it. You're all scared.

SINESTRO

Indeed. It's wonder the Guardians tolerate such an simple mark as a Core member. The Tchk-Tchkii will trace you and come after you again.

JUD

(bummed)

That's what the bald guy said.

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TOMA-RE

Telle-Teg. An escaped prisoner of the Tchk-Tchkii. Our rings showed them directly on your trail. Had we not intervened and taken you to the hidden sector of Oa, here is what would have happened.

Toma-Re projects an image of a LARGER WINGED YELLOW ALIEN sending a bolt into Corrine's house and leaving a huge hole.

JUD

Holy crap! She's not there, is she?

TOMA-RE

She would be at work.

JUD

Work...

Another image. The Larger Winged Yellow Alien tosses a bolt at the furniture store, creating a giant perfect circular hole. CUSTOMERS and WORKERS are panicked.

JUD (CONT'D)

Oh my G-d, those poor people!

As the Alien looks for the Green Lantern in the store, both Customers and Workers start making off with furniture, and running out via the giant hole.

SINESTRO

Your planet is a cesspool.

JUD

Oh, like you wouldn't.

The image disappears.

SALAAK

I see renewed commitment in him.

JUD

Hell yeah! I wanna kill that yellow mother!

TOMA-RE

That is not the way of the Guardians. Your impulsiveness requires further guidance.

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JUD

Holy crap! Kilowog! I left him there!

SINESTRO

Never mind him...you have corrupted his will!

They flash on a MONITOR showing Kilowog still on earth. He is half naked and drunk, showing a couple of HOMELESS GUYS a green DRAGON, which he then fights with.

JUD

Wait...so that really is happening?

TOMA-RE

Yes.

JUD

I can't believe I'm missing that.

TOMA-RE

We are sending you back to Earth...

JUD

Yes!

TOMA-RE

....where your flaws will be refined by a model of order and self-control.

SINESTRO

These are trying times for the Corps. Only the best will suffice.

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - LATER

Jud is slumped on his couch, taking in the abuse administered by Sinestro. Seth is also present.

SINESTRO

Look at this place. Dust. Cracks. The stink of biological excreta.

SETH

Sinestro's like, PMS nasty.

JUD

Yeah. Thanks for the heads up.

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SINESTRO

How does a Green Lantern live in
this hog wallow?

JUD

Look, it's not me. Guys?

Jud's "staff" of Green Elves enter. He speaks slowly.

JUD (CONT'D)

You hear him? This place is hog
wallow. Comprende? Mui...dust.

ELF

We're not Mexican.

JUD

Right. Sorry.

In a fit of rage, Sinestro commences a ring zapping spree. He points his ring at the ELVES, eliminating them. Then at the floors, eliminating everything.

JUD (CONT'D)

Hey! That's my shit!

SINESTRO

No one will miss it.

He zaps the floors, turning them into green marble. Then zaps at the dank bare walls, turning them cool white, replacing a poster of Whitesnake with a pointilist painting of Whitesnake.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Order. Order is the foundation of
the Green Lantern Corps. The
single objective superseding all
other concerns.

JUD

Dude, they picked me for my
bravery! No one said anything
about cleaning my apartment.

SETH

Yes, he did. The dead red guy.

JUD

Really? Deadly?

SINESTRO

(indicating Seth)

This wisp, he knows your identity?

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JUD

Oh, yeah. The dude's been a big help --

Sinestro places his ring near a frightened Seth's forehead.

SINESTRO

That will not do, not at all. A simple memory wipe will suffice --

Jud grabs Sinestro's hand.

JUD

No!! Come on...I need a friend, to help deal.

SINESTRO

I am your only friend, Jud Plato. I alone can prepare you for the life ahead of you.

He zaps Jud, giving him a clean shave and Italian suit.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Still...I have known some Green Lanterns to keep pets. I suppose I can permit it for now.

JUD/SETH

Score! Woot!

SINESTRO

Enough!

He zaps Seth, giving him slicked hair and pencil thin moustache identical to his own.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

My purpose here is to teach you the virtues of seriousness... efficiency...precision. The sort of perfection that creates perfect cosmic order. Do you understand?

JUD

Me?

SINESTRO

(disgusted)
Come with me.

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He points his ring at Jud, transforming him into his Green Lantern outfit and pulling him up and through the ceiling and into the sky.

Just before taking off, Sinestro zaps Jud's Cat, giving him the same slicked hair and pencil moustache.

EXT. SKY AND SPACE - MOMENTS LATER

Sinestro and Jud are flying upward and into space.

JUD

What now?

SINESTRO

I haven't time to find the proper grunts and squeals to effectively communicate to you our objective. So I will display it instead.

They burst into the atmosphere of the planet KORUGAR.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Let me show you what an orderly planet looks like. The product of systems I have so carefully created and meticulously maintained.

He points his ring at Jud, who suddenly dematerializes and appears trapped in Sinestro's ring.

JUD

What the hell?

SINESTRO

It's only temporary. I want you to view the grateful people of Korugar as I see them.

INT. KORUGAR COLISEUM - CONTINUOUS

Inside an enormous stadium/coliseum, a TECHNICIAN has spotted Sinestro on a radar tracking-like viewer. Like other beet red-complexioned Korugarians, he has a touch of panic anticipating Sinestro's arrival.

TECHNICIAN

He is coming! Green Lantern is coming!

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An OFFICIAL cues a large BAND of musicians on the coliseum field holding a Korugian version of wind instruments. Thousands are seated in the stands ready to greet Sinestro. Banners with the Green Lantern emblem abound.

OFFICIAL

All together - the Green Lantern
anthem!

The band strikes up the anthem as Sinestro descends.

SINESTRO

Fear not, my wards! Green Lantern
is here to preserve order as
always!

A berobed, bearded MINISTER greets Sinestro.

MINISTER

Welcome home, Protector, Guide,
and Peace-Maker of our harmonious
world!

SINESTRO

(aside to Jud)
Hear that? Respect, and
gratitude.

JUD

They look freaked.

KATMA-TUI, a lovely Korugian Green Lantern trainee,
greet Sinestro with FLOWERS. She appears hesitant.

JUD (CONT'D)

Hey now!

SINESTRO

(aside to Jud)
Order.
(to others)
Thank you for your heartfelt
words, Minister. And what is your
name, Darling?

KATMA-TUI

Katma-Tui...oh great...harmonizer,
sir.

SINESTRO

Ah, the model student of my Young
Lantern Brigade. Thank you, my
dear.

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He takes the flowers and gives her a small SIGNAL PAD.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Here's a special signal pad,
should you or your brigade ever
need my help.

KATMA-TUI

Oh, th-thank you sir.

SINESTRO

Don't lose it, darling. And keep
it clean. Remember, Green Lantern
will be watching you!

INT. SINESTRO'S RING - CONTINUOUS

Jud's cell phone suddenly starts to ring.

JUD

Hello? Hey man! You won't
believe where I am! And it gets
Verizon! What???

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - CONTINUOUS

Seth is hiding under Jud's kitchen sink. We see the
giant legs of another YELLOW ALIEN rushing across,
inflicting damage on the place.

SETH

This is really bad here!

INT. KORUGAR COLISEUM - CONTINUOUS

Sinestro is milking his exit, walking and waving at the
crowd.

SINESTRO

Thank you my citizens...how I wish
I could stay and straighten out
every last little problem for
every last one of you! But my
schedule --

Suddenly, Sinestro hears a CRUNCH! under his foot and
notices some BROKEN GLASS. He glares at the panicked
Minister and other OFFICIALS.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

What...was that!?

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A BURST from within his ring overpowers Sinestro, abruptly pulling him upward and into space.

MINISTER

(relieved)

Oh, praise the countless gods.

EXT. SPACE - MOMENTS LATER

Jud has forced himself out of the ring and is pulling Sinestro with him by sheer strength of will.

SINESTRO

What are you doing? I needed to extinguish the source of disorder before it metastasized into chaos!

JUD

It was a piece of glass!

SINESTRO

Without my guidance my sector will fall apart!

JUD

Yeah, well without me, my bud's been kidnapped by the Chi-Chi's!

SINESTRO

The who?

JUD

Come on! The Chi-Chis!

SINESTRO

You're an imbecile, there's no such galactic race.

JUD

I'm telling you...the ones in the book...we didn't kill them because it's not allowed...

(singing to himself)

So the guardians drove them back to Tchk-tchk, and sealed it with an energy cloud!

Sinestro looks at him like he's nuts.

SINESTRO

Oh, yes, the Tchk-Tchkii. And you're saying they've kidnapped your friend?

EXT. EARTH - CONTINUOUS

Jud and Sinestro have entered Earth's atmosphere.
Sinestro follows Jud as he zeroes in on home.

JUD

That's what he told me.

EXT. JUD'S APARTMENT - MOMENTS LATER

Jud and Sinestro land outside Jud's apartment. There is a huge perfectly circular HOLE that has been bored through his front wall. Inside is an empty ransacked apartment.

JUD

Damn! Seth??

SINESTRO

Shameful. I had made such discerning renovations.

Jud's cat, still with slicked hair and pencil moustache, jumps into Sinestro's arms and meows.

JUD

You said this would happen. We gotta find Seth.

SINESTRO

(admiring the circle)
Look at this precision.

Jud dials his cell phone.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Put that away. Your ring will lead us there.

JUD

(putting it away)
I knew that.

SINESTRO

Just give me a second.

Sinestro attempts to restore the apartment as he'd redesigned it.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Was the painting frameless?

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JUD

Let's go!

INT. FURNITURE STORE - MOMENTS LATER

A giant yellow WINGED ALIEN, larger even than the one Jud saw in the projection (about 15 feet tall), is tearing apart the furniture store. Seth is hanging by his shirt from some kitchen ceiling lamps 30 feet in the air.

WINGED ALIEN

Where else does Green Lantern go?

SETH

I said I don't know him!

The Winged Alien fires a bolt that just misses Seth, putting a huge circular hole in the wall of cabinets behind him.

WINGED ALIEN

Tell me or die!

SETH

(crying)

Okay! C.J. Barrington's, it's a sports bar. And the Walgreen's on Franklin Street for cigarettes. He buys a lot of DVDs, at Tower Video, he goes to Oscar's Video for his porn, though.

WINGED ALIEN

(pulling out a notepad)

Slow down...what are the cross-streets?

Jud and Sinestro fly in for the end of this.

JUD

You pussy! What are you telling him?

SETH

I swear, I just caved like two seconds ago. I was holding out.

JUD

(incredulous)

You little whisker box. I said I was coming.

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SETH

He was gonna kill me!

WINGED ALIEN

Green Lanterns!

JUD

Just try it, slut!

(aside to Sinestro)

Go invisible.

SINESTRO

I know the drill.

They both go invisible as the Winged Alien looks around confused.

JUD (V.O.)

How do you wanna do this? Can we staple his balls to his leg? Does he have balls?

SINESTRO (V.O.)

Nonsense. I will show you how a true Green Lantern brings harmony from conflict.

JUD (V.O.)

Aww, don't. Harmony?

SINESTRO (V.O.)

He may be a savage, but even savages are powerful, integral parts of the cosmic power structure. The Guardians insist on preserving this cosmic order.

JUD (V.O.)

That is so gay.

SINESTRO (V.O.)

Harmony requires diplomacy. Watch and learn.

Sinestro materializes. The Winged Alien is momentarily confused.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Good day. It is my regretful duty to bear the news the I...that is to say, the Green Lantern Corps...that is to say, the Guardians of the Universe...are

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SINESTRO (CONT'D)
troubled by your renewed quest to
expand your power.

JUD (V.O.)
(still invisible)
He looks real happy.

SINESTRO
Shut up!
(to Winged Alien)
Therefore we respectfully request
that you reconsider your plans
before the Corps is pressed into
actions which none of us desire.

WINGED ALIEN
What actions? Like this?

The Winged Alien fires two yellow bolts, which Sinestro
dodges. Suddenly a GIANT GREEN STAPLER appears from
nowhere, headed toward the Alien's crotch.

SINESTRO
Put that down, Plato. I'm
prepared for this idiocy, like any
good administrator.

Invisible Jud retreats with stapler.

WINGED ALIEN
Administrator of who? You doubt I
don't have the power to defy you?

SINESTRO
I doubt that you don't have the
power? Listen to you, your syntax
is as garbled as your scheme for
domination. A disordered mind --

JUD (V.O.)
(invisible next to
Seth)
Monster no likey...

SETH
Tchk-Tchkii no likey.

JUD (V.O.)
Thank you for correcting me.

He beams blinking green "VIRGIN" sign over Seth's head.

SETH
(oblivious)
You're welcome.

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The Winged Alien charges at Sinestro, grabbing him and readying another bolt.

SINESTRO

Blast it. This is getting completely out of contr --

Suddenly the "IKEA"-like sign from the furniture store exterior ("EKUA") crashes forward and pins the Winged Alien against the back wall, trapping him as he drops Sinestro. We reveal the sign was carried in by Kilowog, with the aid of GIANT GREEN HANDS conjured by his ring.

KILOWOG

Try bustin' through that, yellowbird!

SINESTRO

Why are you here? We can't afford this kind of mess.

KILOWOG

Jud's ring called me. I love that damn ring!

Jud is now visible again.

SINESTRO

You're drunk!

JUD

Dude, he just saved our ass! Don't judge him.

Sinestro angrily conjures a Green STOOL that forcefully lifts Jud and bounds him with a seatbelt. A green DUNCE CAP appears on Jud's head.

SINESTRO

Anyone can use reckless force! The chaotic mind requires control!

Kilowog tosses an entire MODEL KITCHEN at the Winged Alien's head.

JUD

This is what he respects!

Jud's ring breaks through the belt and conjures a huge GREEN HAND that bitchslaps the dazed Winged Alien.

SINESTRO

No!

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The Hand has now grown into giant green SASSY BLACK WOMAN, who tells off the Winged Alien.

SASSY BLACK WOMAN

Don't you be showin' up here with your weak-ass lightning bolt bullshit! You best be carryin' some business next time, son!

Kilowog bends numerous STANDING LAMPS around the weakened Alien, trapping him further.

JUD

Let's finish him off!

Jud conjures a giant green SUBMARINE SANDWICH and whacks the Winged Alien with it. Kilowog and Sinestro look at him, perplexed.

JUD (CONT'D)

Oh, sorry, I haven't eaten in like six hours...mind plays tricks...

KILOWOG

We're good, Pooz!

Kilowog punches the trapped Winged Alien one more time, then casts a GREEN TUBE completely around him.

WINGED ALIEN

(weak)

We will be heard from...

SINESTRO

(to Jud)

You see what you've done?

WINGED ALIEN

...Sinestro...

SINESTRO

He probably only knows my name. You're newer.

WINGED ALIEN

You sanctimonious creep.

Kilowog fires the GREEN TUBE into space. Sinestro is thrown a bit.

SINESTRO

I'm sure he was going to mention you next.

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KILOWOG

Nah.

JUD

(freeing Seth)

Let's go. We gotta wrap our brains around stopping those yellow things.

SINESTRO

You'll do nothing of the kind.

Sinestro points his ring at Jud's, which disappears. Jud is suddenly back in civilian clothes.

JUD

Hey, what?

SINESTRO

Until I hash this out with the Guardians, your planet is not safe with you as Green Lantern. They will trace your whereabouts and destroy everything in their path,
(indicating Seth)
not just this jellyfish you insisted on endangering.

KILOWOG

You can't just take his ring!

Sinestro fussily restores the furniture and walls with his ring as he speaks. Jud slumps, feeling some guilt.

SINESTRO

Kilowog, toss all the furniture you please but leave the tactical maneuvering to me. For now, this sector is under my auspices.

JUD

When do I get it back?

SINESTRO

When the Guardians deem it appropriate. If they deem it appropriate.

Sinestro flies off.

JUD

He's gonna sell me out, isn't he?

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KILOWOG

Don't worry, Rookie. I got the perfect move.

JUD

Uh huh.

KILOWOG

Y'ever been to Snuggery's over on Dearborn? They got 2-for-1 shots after 7. It'll be great for ya.

JUD

Okay. Bud, you need to get off this planet.

KILOWOG

No way!

JUD

Kilowog, dude, I love you. This planet is a bad influence.

KILOWOG

We're goin' to Snuggery's! I'm fine!

JUD

Buddy, it's called The Snuggery. And you're going home. You're hurting yourself.

Kilowog sighs.

KILOWOG

Alright.

JUD

I'll miss you.

KILOWOG

(gulps)
Thanks, Poozer.

Kilowog takes off into space, a bit wobbly.

Jud is left with a sympathetic Seth.

SETH

Wanna rent some porn?

JUD

I'll see ya around.

INT. JUD'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

Jud is slumped on his couch. His cat jumps on. Jud musses the cat's Sinestro-like hair.

INT. FURNITURE STORE - DAY

The store's walls have been repaired in glowing green. Jud glumly wheels a huge KITCHEN DOUBLE SINK into the store elevator. Other CUSTOMERS sigh and roll their eyes as Jud slowly fits the heavy object into the elevator. Finally the doors close. One WOMAN removes her gum and casually puts it in the sink. Jud sighs.

INT. COUNCIL OF THE GUARDIANS - DAY

Sinestro is appealing to the Guardians.

SINESTRO

His impulsive instincts are destructive. And notice the Tchk-Tchkii have been quiet since his powers were stripped.

GUARDIAN #1

Sinestro, never in the millenia has a Green Lantern taken it upon himself to determine another's qualifications. You were asked only to train.

SINESTRO

Of course, Masters, but consider my own qualifications. I can display evidence of centuries

Sinestro flashes his ring, creating a MULTIPLE PROJECTION of images of Korugarians. In each projection, a different citizen is compulsively cleaning or adjusting his/her bath towels (a la "Sleeping With the Enemy"), or garden, or office furniture, or clothing. They all look a bit scared.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

of happy, peaceful, and orderly citizens. The fruit of meticulous and responsible supervision. Now, observe my blueprint for the sector which includes Earth.

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The multiple projections change to proposed images of Earth. All humans in the projections have the face of STONE PHILLIPS.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

The modified Earthling will be a model of efficiency --

GUARDIAN #2

Two sectors are more than any Green Lantern should need to be permitted to maintain. Have you visited your own sector lately?

SINESTRO

Twice a day I send the planet a beacon, to reassure them I am with them in spirit.

GUARDIAN #1

We will keep watch of Jud Plato.

SINESTRO

Very good, masters. As will I!

Sinestro flies off.

INT. DINING ROOM - NIGHT

Jud, once again with his regular hair, eating dinner with his parents and brother Dan. The mood is glum as ever.

GEORGE

So you're finally eliminated?

JUD

What? Oh. Yeah, Dad, I'm off the show.

GEORGE

What was it you gagged on, the rabbit nose?

JUD

Yeah.

BONNIE

Really. After all that training in college.

GEORGE

Alright, Bonnie.

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BONNIE

Rabbit Noses 101, Advanced Rabbit
Noses, Rabbit Noses in Literature -

GEORGE

Alright, Bonnie.

DAN

So I guess you had some excitement
at work, Jud?

BONNIE

What happened? He stub a toe on a
futon?

GEORGE

No, Bonnie, apparently the Green
Lantern paid a visit to Jud's
store the other night.

DAN

They say he fought off another
yellow monster, is that right?

JUD

Well, it was closed. But that's
what they're saying.

GEORGE

Wonder who the guy is? You never
hear his real identity.

DAN

That's for his safety.

BONNIE

Well, I wouldn't be surprised if
it was Dan here. All the skills
he's got, smarts, athletics.

DAN

Come on, mom.

BONNIE

You got all the good genes we had.

GEORGE

Bonnie, honestly. Dan's a fine
boy, but the odds of him being --

JUD

I'm the Green Lantern.

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DAN
(chuckling)
Good one.

JUD
I'm the Green Lantern.

GEORGE
All right, Jud, that's enough.

JUD
But I'm the Green Lantern. I am.

BONNIE
Really? So the Green Lantern can
swallow gopher hemorrhoids? Wow.

JUD
(singing)
Green Lantern...I'm the Green
Lantern...I'm a lantern that's
green! I save things!

Jud's family looks at him like he's lost it. They're right.

INT. COUNCIL OF THE GUARDIANS - MOMENTS LATER

The Guardians watch a MONITOR displaying Jud running outside being chased by his parents.

JUD
(still singing)
I'm Green! In the sky! Watch me
fly!

The Guardians share a concerned look as Jud runs out of the house.

EXT. JUD'S PARENT'S TOWNHOUSE - MOMENTS LATER

The Plato Pharmacy is closed. Jud is running across the two-lane street shouting. His family follows him.

BONNIE
Get back here, Jud!

JUD
They took my ring, but they can't
take away my greenyness!

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PASSERBY

Hey...you're the vomiting guy on TV!

JUD

No. I don't vomit, that's the point!

DAN

Jud, take it easy!

GEORGE

You're gonna wake the McLaughlins!

EXT. EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE - CONTINUOUS

Sinestro materializes on Earth's horizon and surveys the planet from above with superpowered green BINOCULARS.

SINESTRO

What a mess.

CUT TO:

POV SINESTRO'S BINOCULARS - CONTINUOUS

A sequence of shots intercutting with Sinestro turning toward different sections of Earth:

- Toxic waste dumped in Russia
- Riots and violence in Africa
- Chain smoking Japanese people in crowded Tokyo
- FLAVA FLAV in his house

SINESTRO

(sighs)

The Guardians will thank me.

Sinestro conjures a huge green MICROPHONE and an unending fleet of green AMPLIFIERS that he sends out to surround Earth.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Attention, lowly members of Earth!

EXT. CITY DOWNTOWN - CONTINUOUS

EXT. FARMLAND - CONTINUOUS

EXT. SOUTH AMERICAN BEACHFRONT - CONTINUOUS

In these successive shots, we see PEOPLE emerging from their homes, cars, restaurants, etc., looking up to hear the mysterious speaker.

SINESTRO (V.O.)

Your planet is in great danger of being conquered by a savage species. I, Green Lantern, can protect you -- but you must follow my orders exclusively!

EXT. BATTLEFIELD - CONTINUOUS

In a war-torn Middle Eastern country, the brave SOLDIER we saw carrying his fallen buddy is still fighting GUERRILAS. He shouts at the voice and continues fighting.

SOLDIER

Go to hell!

EXT. MOUNTAIN PEAK - CONTINUOUS

The LEGLESS CLIMBER we saw at the beginning is making his way up a different steep mountain that looks like it's made out of ice. He shouts at the voice in the sky and continues pulling himself up by his arms.

LEGLESS CLIMBER

Screw you!

EXT. AFRICAN VILLAGE - CONTINUOUS

The elderly brave MISSIONARY WOMAN we saw earlier is delivering an AFRICAN WOMAN's baby while fighting off a WILDEBEEST. She shouts at the sky and continues.

MISSIONARY WOMAN

(African)

Subtitle: Eat me.

EXT. JUD'S PARENTS' STREET - CONTINUOUS

Jud is freaking out.

JUD

What's he doing?

BONNIE

If you're the Green Lantern, who's he? A boxboy who might be gay?

GEORGE

Bonnie.

BONNIE

Well, he never brings anyone home.

SINESTRO (V.O.)

(shouting)

I am in charge! Are you people ready to take my instructions??

Jud's cell phone rings. It's Seth, of course, in his apartment. INTERCUT the two locations.

JUD

What?

SETH

What? Aren't you gonna do something?

JUD

Dude, he's taken over. Let's get a pizza.

SETH

Jud, that's your ring!

JUD

What's your point?

SETH

It's all about your will! You can get it back! You trust that guy to protect Earth?

JUD

What's Earth ever done for me?

SETH

What? Air...water...so you can live...

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JUD

What else?

EXT. SKY - CONTINUOUS

Sinestro cranks the volume and gets closer to Earth. He is now clearly visible over Jud's city.

SINESTRO

Perhaps you can hear me now!!

EXT. CITY STREET - CONTINUOUS

People are grabbing their ears, some rushing inside.

INT. FLAVA FLAV'S BEDROOM - CONTINUOUS

Flava Flav in bed, notices the sound.

FLAVA FLAV

Damn!

He closes his window as a very TALL WOMAN holds her ears.

EXT. JUD'S PARENTS' STREET - MOMENTS LATER

Jud and his family are holding their ears as Sinestro rants and Jud talks with Seth on the phone.

SINESTRO

Blending as a whole will be essential. You will wear like-colored clothing from the store known as Nordstrom and groom with neatness and precision.

JUD

(on phone)

I can't hear you!

SETH

You can stop him! Come on Jud, you know you want to! You don't want that moustache again.

As Sinestro gets louder, Jud's mom screams in agony.

BONNIE

Make it stop!!

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Dan and George try to comfort Bonnie but they are suffering as well.

Jud is flush with anxiety, anger, and pain. But he's also paralyzed. He hears the SHATTER OF GLASS.

EXT. PLATO PHARMACY - CONTINUOUS

Some of the NEIGHBORS have busted into the pharmacy and are taking drugs and other stuff. Jud and his family run into the store.

JUD

Hey! Cut it out!

GEORGE

It's the McLaughlins! Ted, what gives?

TED MCLAUGHLIN, the McLaughlin dad, momentarily stops as his burly SONS, TED JR. and CHRIS grab stuff. His wife JANE and littlest son PATRICK are also taking things.

TED

Sorry, George, but you know how these Armageddon things go. Every man for himself.

GEORGE

Well, sure but now the whole neighborhood's gonna be here.

DAN

Jud, give me that phone! I'll call the cops, Dad!

Chris McLaughlin grabs the phone from Jud.

CHRIS

Not tonight, pal.

George grabs for the phone and Chris knocks him to the floor. Bonnie and Dan are horrified. Jud is inflamed.

BONNIE

George!

CHRIS

Sorry, Mr. Plato, but you heard me. Where are the earplugs? That guy outside's loud.

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Jud suddenly dives headfirst to tackle Chris, knocking down all his stolen loot.

CHRIS (CONT'D)

Asshole!

BONNIE

Jud, you can't --

Chris and Ted, Jr. start pounding Jud. He is no match for them physically but his rage keeps the fight going. From the ground he knocks Ted's stuff over and bites the tendons in back of his knee. Ted screams.

BONNIE (CONT'D)

(impressed)

Dirty.

Dan has run to the office phone and is having no luck dialing 911.

Ted, Jr. tackles Jud, and Chris and Ted, Sr. start to kick him in the face.

GEORGE

Ted!

TED

Just till he quits, George.

Jud curls up, bloodied, and the boys return to business. Ted spits on him then joins his sons.

GEORGE

Let me clean that, son.

George starts to apply RUBBING ALCOHOL to Jud's wound. Suddenly, Jud grabs the bottle from him and stands up.

BONNIE

Jud?

Without hesitating, Jud takes off his shirt, pours the alcohol all over it, pulls out a lighter and torches the shirt, primal screaming and tossing it at the McLaughlins.

GEORGE

Jud! No!!

TED

Holy shit!

Ted McLaughlin, Jr. swats the burning shirt away and stomps on it.

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Jud grabs a glass BOTTLE OF PREPARATION H and breaks it against a counter, chasing Ted Sr. and Jane. Chris steps in front of Jud and kicks him to the ground.

Jud takes the kicks and plays beaten. As Chris relaxes, Jud grabs a BOTTLE OF IPECAC and opens it. He gets up, swigs it down and immediately pukes on Chris.

CHRIS

You sick fuck!!

As Chris recoils in disgust, Jud takes another swig and runs straight at Ted Jr. and little Patrick, puking on them. They scream as Ted, Sr. grabs Patrick and they all run away.

GEORGE

(confused)

Well...that was very brave.

Out of nowhere, Jud feels a vibration on his right hand.

JUD'S HAND - CONTINUOUS

The RING dissolves back onto Jud's hand.

INT. PLATO PHARMACY - CONTINUOUS

Jud turns back into the store. Jud, newly empowered, puts the store back in order with his ring. As he does, Jud's face cleans up and the Green Lantern costume returns on Jud's body.

DAN

I don't believe it.

BONNIE

Jud?

Jud conjures green EARPLUGS that appear on Bonnie, George, and Dan's ears.

JUD

I'll be back soon, Ma. I have to stop that loud guy.

He takes off into the sky. Bonnie looks up, stunned.

BONNIE

I hope they're paying him.

EXT. SKY - MOMENTS LATER

Sinestro is reciting at the microphone.

SINESTRO

Dangerous times call for necessary restrictions. I am but one man, but I will do my very best to keep track of all of your interpersonal communications. I give you my word.

Suddenly he is grabbed from behind by a giant green HAWK. The source of the beam is Jud's ring.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

No! Plato, what are you doing?

JUD

You're out of control, Sinsy.

SINESTRO

Plato, your will far exceeds your intellect. I'm restoring control!

JUD

Look, man, maybe I can't handle this either, I'll give you that, but you're like, 20 Nixons. I'm calling in the other Green Lanterns.

SINESTRO

What!?

Sinestro fights through the hawk and makes it bust apart, blowing Jud backwards.

Sinestro fires a series of BULLWHIPS that whack Jud repeatedly.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Send them back! We don't need more disordered minds with chaotic methods!

Jud is dazed, but angry. He rears his ring back to charge at Sinestro.

JUD

I'm not chaotic, jag!

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SINESTRO

Whatever you do, don't think of
Elmo titty wanking Barbara
Walters.

JUD

What?

Jud points his ring and fires a green ELMO humping
BARBARA WALTERS chest at Sinestro.

JUD (CONT'D)

Damn it!

SINESTRO

Let the weak minds step aside.

A giant SHOE kicks Jud.

JUD

I'm not...weak...

Jud conjures a huge frying pan that slams Sinestro's
head.

SINESTRO

Enough! You're not even a Green
Lantern!

JUD

This is my ring!

SINESTRO

Do you really believe that? That
the noble Abin Sur's ring would
choose you on its own accord?

JUD

What are you babbling?

SINESTRO

I've had my eye on this planet for
years. The varied life forms, the
vegetation, the easily molded
masses of simpletons.

JUD

What the fuck, Sinestro?

SINESTRO

When Abin's ring contacted me for
help that was the opening -- I
cancelled his signal.

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SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Then when his ring sought a successor it was simply a matter of will to redirect it to miss a courageous test pilot and choose an impetuous, weak-minded fool. That's right, Judsy. You were a mistake.

The comment paralyzes Jud, and Sinestro charges at him and headlocks him. He is seemingly about to snap the dazed Jud's neck.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

I should bring you before the Guardians for this insubordination. But even they have lost their sight of the need for order. Look how they made me waste time on you.

JUD

(to himself)

I want it...I want it...

SINESTRO

I must end this chaos myself.

Just in time, Jud summons his will and fires his ring straight in Sinestro's face. The blast shoots Sinestro backward.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Aaugh! I let my guard down! The chaos is in me!

Jud conjures a giant, GREEN SAVAGE SINESTRO with mussed hair and torn outfit.

JUD

Sic 'em!

The Savage Sinestro kicks Sinestro in the face then gleefully musses Sinestro's hair.

SINESTRO

Noooo! The chaos is everywhere!

The Savage Sinestro rips Sinestro's uniform, then picks his teeth and flings it at Sinestro. Sinestro flees.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

I must escape this now!

Green Lanterns Kilowog, Toma-Re, Medphyll, Xax, and Salakk have flown in.

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KILOWOG

Whaddaya need, Pooz?

JUD

He's history. Just hold him.

KILOWOG

You got it.

EXT. FARMLAND - MOMENTS LATER

Sinestro is flying away but unfocused and disoriented. He fires green RAYS behind him to fend off the others. Kilowog spots him heading toward a silo ahead. He fires a ray at the silo and it bursts a hole, spilling out YELLOW GRAIN that spills over Sinestro.

SINESTRO

No...no...leave me with my power...my lanternhood...why...

Dozens of YELLOW BABY CHICKS approach the grain. Sinestro is weakened further.

KILOWOG

Helluva a way t'go.

EXT. SKY - CONTINUOUS

Jud is hovering in the sky with the other Green Lanterns.

TOMA-RE

You made a difference today, Jud.

Hundreds of PEOPLE below are cheering Jud. Jud looks down, a bit stunned.

JUD

Excuse me a moment.

He starts to leave but his cell phone rings, and he picks it up.

SETH

What did I tell you?

JUD

Thanks, look, I can't talk right now.

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SETH

Oh, Mr. Saved the Planet's too big to talk.

JUD

Sorry.

Jud speeds off the horizon too fast for anyone to follow.

EXT. JUD'S PARENTS' STREET - MOMENTS LATER

Jud lands at his parents house.

INT. JUD'S PARENTS' HOUSE - MOMENTS LATER

Jud enters and is immediately hugged by his mom.

BONNIE

Jud! Darling, I'm so sorry.

JUD

Yeah...it's alright, Ma. We all...we're not perfect.

They continue to hug.

DAN

I knew you had it in you, Jud.

GEORGE

Good for you, son.

JUD

Give me another second here.

Jud doesn't let go of his mom. She hugs him back.

BONNIE

We're so proud. I should've given you more credit. My son's the Green Lantern!

Jud finally lets go and sighs.

JUD

Okay.

Jud looks at them all sadly. He points his glowing ring at their foreheads to wipe their memory.

BONNIE

What are you doing, Jud?

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JUD

I have to, Mom.

INT. COUNCIL OF THE GUARDIANS - CONTINUOUS

The Guardians are rapt watching this selfless act.

EXT. STREET - CONTINUOUS

The green glow around their foreheads disappears. They have forgotten the identity of the Green Lantern standing before them.

JUD

(bigger hero voice)

Until next time!

He takes off, soaring into the sky.

BONNIE

That was who?

DAN

Green Lantern, mom, come on. He just saved the planet.

BONNIE

He's no you.

EXT. DOWNTOWN - NIGHT

Jud is walking in the downtown nightlife area with all the other Green Lanterns. They are being cheered and high fived everywhere they go. Seth is walking with them as well.

JUD

Is this amazing, mama?

SETH

Yeah. I'm definitely I getting laid from this.

XAX

You and me both.

Seth and Jud share a mystified look.

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KILOWOG

We're hittin' Peter McGee's,
fellas! They got sixty-two
different vodkas!

TOMA-RE

(noticing his ring
flashing)

We're doing nothing of the sort.
There's trouble from Sinestro's
sector!

KILOWOG

Get out of town! He's locked up
on Oa!

TOMA-RE

It's the Tchk-Tchkii! They're
attacking his planet!

SETH

Damn! Cockblockers!

EXT. KORUGAR COLISEUM - CONTINUOUS

As before, thousands are seated in the stands ready to
greet Sinestro. The Technician eyes what he believes to
be Sinestro on a radar tracking-like viewer.

TECHNICIAN

He is back! Green Lantern is
coming!

The band strikes up the anthem only to stop suddenly as
Legion descends on the planet.

LEGION

Where is he? Where is your
obnoxious Green Lantern?

All are puzzled but, oddly, not terrified.

LEGION (CONT'D)

I said where is Sinestro?

MINISTER

We don't know. He hasn't been
here for several days.

Legion angrily tears away a row of Sinestro banners,
knocking them to the ground.

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LEGION

We will destroy him!

The crowd is stunned. Suddenly, a few people start to cheer. Then more cheer.

LEGION (CONT'D)

Huh?

Katma-Tui runs to the center of the field.

KATMA-TUI

Death to Green Lantern Tyranny!

She tears a banner down herself as the crowd cheers.

LEGION

Who are you?

Almost for effect, Legion angrily knocks over a column, destroying a section of the stands. The people in the crowd run onto the field, cheering the destruction, chanting "Death to Tyranny!" "Death to Sinestro!" etc.

Now everyone is tearing apart the Coliseum, reveling in its destruction. Some are mussing each other's hair.

LEGION (CONT'D)

Okay, this is just weird.

KATMA-TUI

Your revenge is our liberation.

LEGION

Whatever. We just think he's a pompous ass.

Legion bursts out of the Coliseum, trampling property.

MINISTER

Where are you going?

LEGION

We are tracing a myriad Green Lantern presence on Earth..it must be destroyed. We will not be denied Sinestro's death!

KATMA-TUI

Take me, so I may witness it.

Legion grabs Katma-Tui in one hand and soars into the sky.

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LEGION

We will not require your planet.
Only a small portion.

Legion flies head first into the planet, transforming itself into an enormous yellow SPINNING MASS digging deep into the core of the planet. Katma-Tui screams as she is absorbed into the mass. As it spins, it acquires more mass, taking on the form of a giant asteroid, finally recreating itself in yellow as it takes off from Korugar.

LEGION (CONT'D)

No one can stop us on Earth! And
just to be certain...we will
divert their focus!

The asteroid's exterior assumes the form and shape of the beloved PIKACHU.

EXT. EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE - MOMENTS LATER

The Green Lanterns are headed toward Korugar

JUD

Can we do this in time?

KILOWOG

I dunno. The bars close at 1.

JUD

I'm talking about saving that
planet! Focus, K-wog!

Toma-Re notices signal from his ring.

TOMA-RE

Oh, dear.

JUD

Now what?

TOMA-RE

We're too late for Korugar.
Legion has left.

JUD

Wait, isn't that good?

TOMA-RE

They have formed an asteroid and
are headed toward Earth. They
sensed our presence there.

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JUD

I shouldn't have called you guys.

KILOWOG

Pooz, we can stop that sucker.

XAX

A Legion asteroid? Made of yellow?

The asteroid suddenly shoots past them.

JUD

Hey! Pikachu!

MEDPHYLL

Dear Lord, that was it!

TOMA-RE

We can only pray it misses the target somehow.

JUD

Wait! I got the move!

He flies off toward Earth.

TOMA-RE

Jud! You can't stop it! What are you doing?

JUD

No time! This was my mess up, but I'm gonna fix it!

(concentrating)

Will it, baby...make it happen. You can do it.

TV NEWS REPORT - MOMENTS LATER

With a "Special Report" banner under him, A cheerful NEWS REPORTER stands downtown.

NEWS REPORTER

Well, it's been an incredible night, with Green Lanterns fighting over Earth, and now, even more exciting news, as reports out of NASA are that Pikachu is headed toward Earth and could be arriving within minutes. Parents and the children have come out in droves hoping for a --

JAPANESE TV NEWS REPORT - SAME

A Japanese TV Reporter says basically the same thing, only with tons of Japanese PARENTS and KIDS cheering behind him.

EXT. EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE - MOMENTS LATER

We see the yellow asteroid head toward earth. Jud shoots past it and flies toward the planet from 90 degrees west.

JUD
 Concentrate...will it...
 (singing to self)
 Green Laaan-tern...you're the
 Green Lan-tern...

Just before the asteroid hits Earth, Jud PUSHES THE ENTIRE PLANET out of the way!

The other Lanterns watch, horrified.

JUD
 TOMA-RE
 Jud!! No!!!

JUD
 What?

EXT. EARTH - CONTINUOUS

A sequence of SHOTS of natural disasters taking place as a result of Earth being moved. Earthquakes, tidal waves, fires, volcanoes, etc.

EXT. EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE - MOMENTS LATER

The Green Lanterns survey the damage.

JUD
 Oh, boy.

JUD
 TOMA-RE
 Yeah.

XAK
 Didn't you ever take physics?

JUD
 Who remembers that stuff?

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TOMA-RE

There is nothing we can do.

JUD

There has to be. Hey, could we reverse time?

SALAKK

Idiot! We're not Superman!

JUD

Right...right!

SALAKK

What now?

Jud conjures a green SUPERMAN again with his ring.

SUPERMAN

Hi, Jud.

JUD

Wow! You know my name.

SUPERMAN

Well, I'm Superman.

JUD

Right. Come with me.

EXT. EARTH - MOMENTS LATER

Jud signals Superman.

JUD

Okay. Just like in One.

Superman starts circling the Earth, just like in One, faster and faster, until Earth is back on its axis and the asteroid is moving backward, further from Earth.

JUD (CONT'D)

Okay. Little bit more...little more...I need some lead time.

Jud is getting into the path of where the asteroid hit Earth the first time.

TOMA-RE

Jud, no! You can't stop it!

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JUD

Keep going!
 (to Toma-Re)
 He's my Superman!

Superman reverses time a bit more.

JUD (CONT'D)

Okay...good!

TOMA-RE

Jud, please!

Jud concentrates his ass off as the Pikachu Asteroid heads straight for him. He points his ring at himself and bathes in green light as the other Lanterns point green beams at him as well.

JUD

Our father who art in heaven... I don't know that one...shit...just will it...will...will...come on!

As the Asteroid heads closer. Suddenly, to everyone's shock, Jud flies full speed straight at it.

EXPLOSION as the yellow mass slams into Jud.

Yellow everywhere....dissipating...vanishing...Jud still alive. Asteroid dissipating further...

JUD (CONT'D)

Wow...

Remaining asteroid flying off...only one piece remaining...floats opposite Jud...Katma Tui.

JUD (CONT'D)

Whoa.

(smiles)

You're welcome.

CLOSING CREDITS

Within credits, we witness highlights from the trial of Sinestro.

INT. COUNCIL OF THE GUARDIANS - DAY

The Guardians preside over the trial of Sinestro, who stands beneath their raised dais. Watching in the stands are various Green Lanterns from all over the galaxy.

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In another Toma-Re is questioning Katma-Tui, who stands on a pedestal in the center.

TOMA-RE

And would your people say Sinestro served as a protector?

KATMA-TUI

He was a protector under his terms. He monitored every aspect of our lives. He told us there was evil in our midst, but nothing else. We couldn't know if they were just threatening his own power.

TOMA-RE

You joined his Youth Corps. But he altered your perception of the Green Lantern Corps?

KATMA-TUI

I believed in the Green Lantern...I still do in the abstract...but where does the demand for order stop? The Guardians demand it as well.

SINESTRO

Listen, Masters! Listen to the impudence!

GUARDIAN #2

You will learn, Katma-Tui, that the Guardians require a degree of deference for the proper functioning of the corps.

JUD

May I say something?

GUARDIAN #1

(sighs)

Jud Plato.

JUD

You contend that Sinestro's obsession with order has gotten out of hand, and I don't refute that. I don't refute that. But may I suggest: that this compulsion is not limited to Sinestro? Guardian masters, look in the mirror! Listen to yourselves speak!

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JUD (CONT'D)

(robotic mocking)

"The responsibilities of the Corps transcend mortal bounds."

"Knowledge is the sum of all

reason." "I am a computer. I am

from the future." Why do have to

be from the future all the time?

"The Guardians are empowered with

the eep op orp ahh aah." It

wears, man. That's why the

Coneheads movie bombed. It's only

cool for a few minutes.

GUARDIAN

Your argument is of no relevance to this trial.

JUD

(still mocking)

"is of no relevance", see that's

what I mean by orderly; you guys

are as tightass as Sinestro. "It

is our duty for we are sworn to

serve --" Why not "it's? our

duty"...? "We're sworn"? Ever

hear of a contraction? It saves

time.

GUARDIAN

You are confusing proper diction with inflexible beh --

JUD

"You are confusing--" See?

You're doing it again! Just say

"you're"! Just try it!

GUARDIAN

I do not see the purpose of continuing this --

JUD

I "don't"! I don't see the purpose. See

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JUD (CONT'D)

you're the one who's not hearing me, you're so stuck in your "orderly" jones you can't even hear yourself, but I'm like, the new guy, so I can step back, have a little perspective, and tell you as a friend --

GUARDIAN

There is no comparison between speaking as one has been taught with the abuses of power Sinestro has exercised. We have heard your argument and wish to move on. The Guardians must determine Sinestro's -- shut the fuck up!!

Jud is stunned into silence.

GUARDIAN #2

We are ready to reach our decision.

The Guardians all close their eyes and sit in silence. Jud is confused.

JUD

Somebody wake them up!

Kilowog grabs Jud and covers his mouth. The Guardians meditate a few moments longer, then awaken.

GUARDIAN #1

The Green Lantern of Sector 1417...

GUARDIAN #2

..known as Sinestro...

GUARDIAN #3

..is guilty of misuse of his Guardian-granted power.

GUARDIAN #4

For this he shall be banished beyond the reach of Oan power...to the anti-matter universe of Qward.

SINESTRO

Chaos! It's infected all of you! If that's what an ungrateful cosmos was, then I will bring you chaos! I will find my way back! Remember what you have done!

Sinestro vanishes in a green VORTEX.

SINESTRO (CONT'D)

Remember!

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Sinestro is gone.

JUD

Okie-doke.

GUARDIAN #2

Sector 1417 now requires a new Green Lantern.

TOMA-RE

Masters, might I suggest that Katma-Tui would be a Lantern of knowledge, compassion, and courage.

KATMA-TUI

Me? But...I couldn't...

JUD

She's so fishing...

OTHER LANTERNS

He's right...fishing...just say "yes"...don't yank us...

GUARDIAN #2

Jud Plato, your basic training is complete. You are declared Green Lantern of Sector 2814.

JUD

Oh, yeah.

Jud looks to Katma-Tui to see if she's impressed.

GUARDIAN #1

...provided we can be assured that your use of the ring will be entirely responsible and unselfish.

JUD

Yes. I swear. I'll never abuse the ring for myself. Swear.

INT. SETH'S APARTMENT - NIGHT

Seth has just had sex with a green female ELF housekeeper on his couch.

SETH

Oh...man...what's your name again?

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FEMALE ELF

That's up to you.

SETH

Okay...hmm. Beyonce.

INT. CAN RESTAURANT - NIGHT

Jud and Kilwog are taking out Katma-Tui at the hottest restaurant on Oa. Kilwog proposes a toast with a bucket-sized glass of an unknown beverage.

KILOWOG

Tomorrow you're in basic. But tonight we celebrate.

JUD

What's good here?

Suddenly Jud's phone rings.

JUD (CONT'D)

Whoops. Hello?

INT. CORRINE'S APARTMENT - CONTINUOUS

Corrine is watching a replay of Jud's heroics on TV.

CORRINE

Green? I miss you...

INT. OAN RESTAURANT - CONTINUOUS

JUD

Hey...how ya doin?

The waiter brings a PLATTER of COYOTE HEADS. Katma-Tui grabs one and voraciously wolfs it down. Jud is awestruck.

JUD (CONT'D)

(to Corrine)

Uh. Yeah.

He hangs up the cell phone, fixated on Katma-Tui.

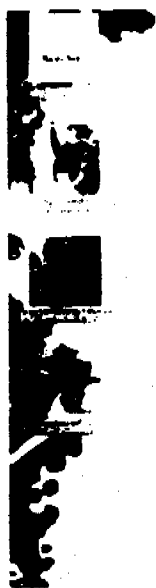
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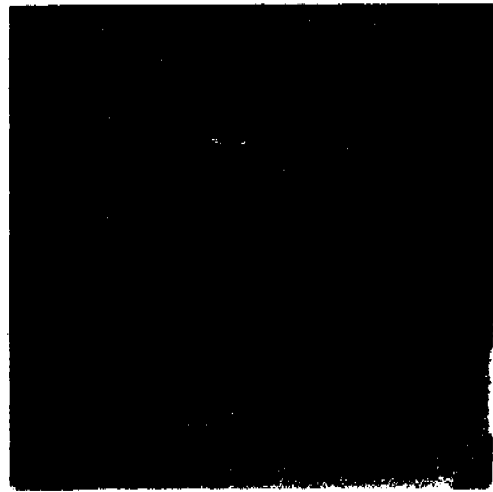
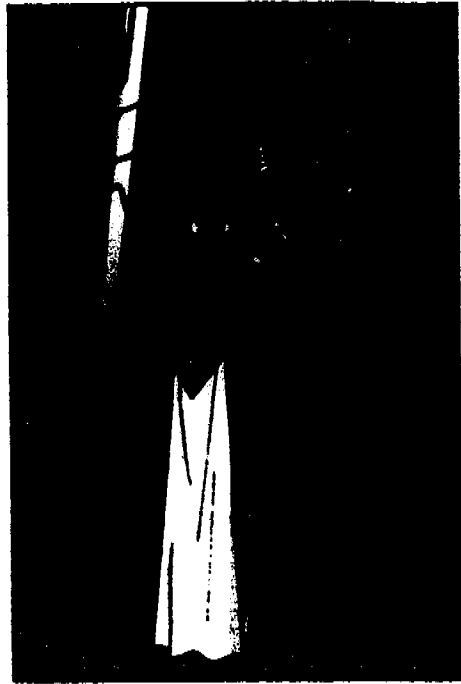
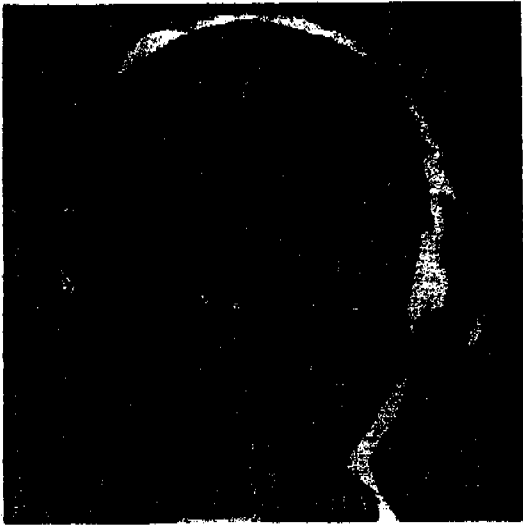


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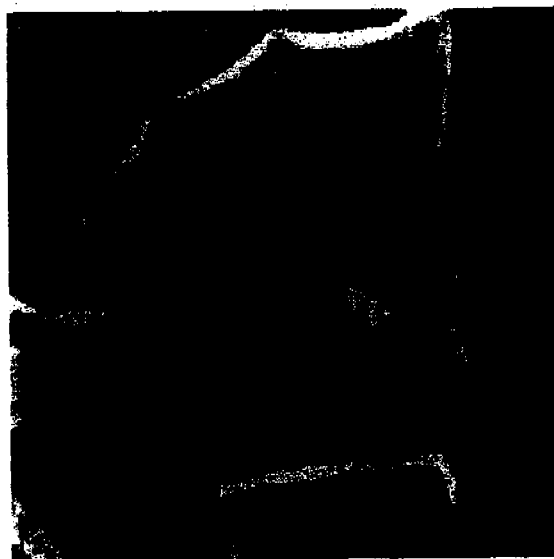
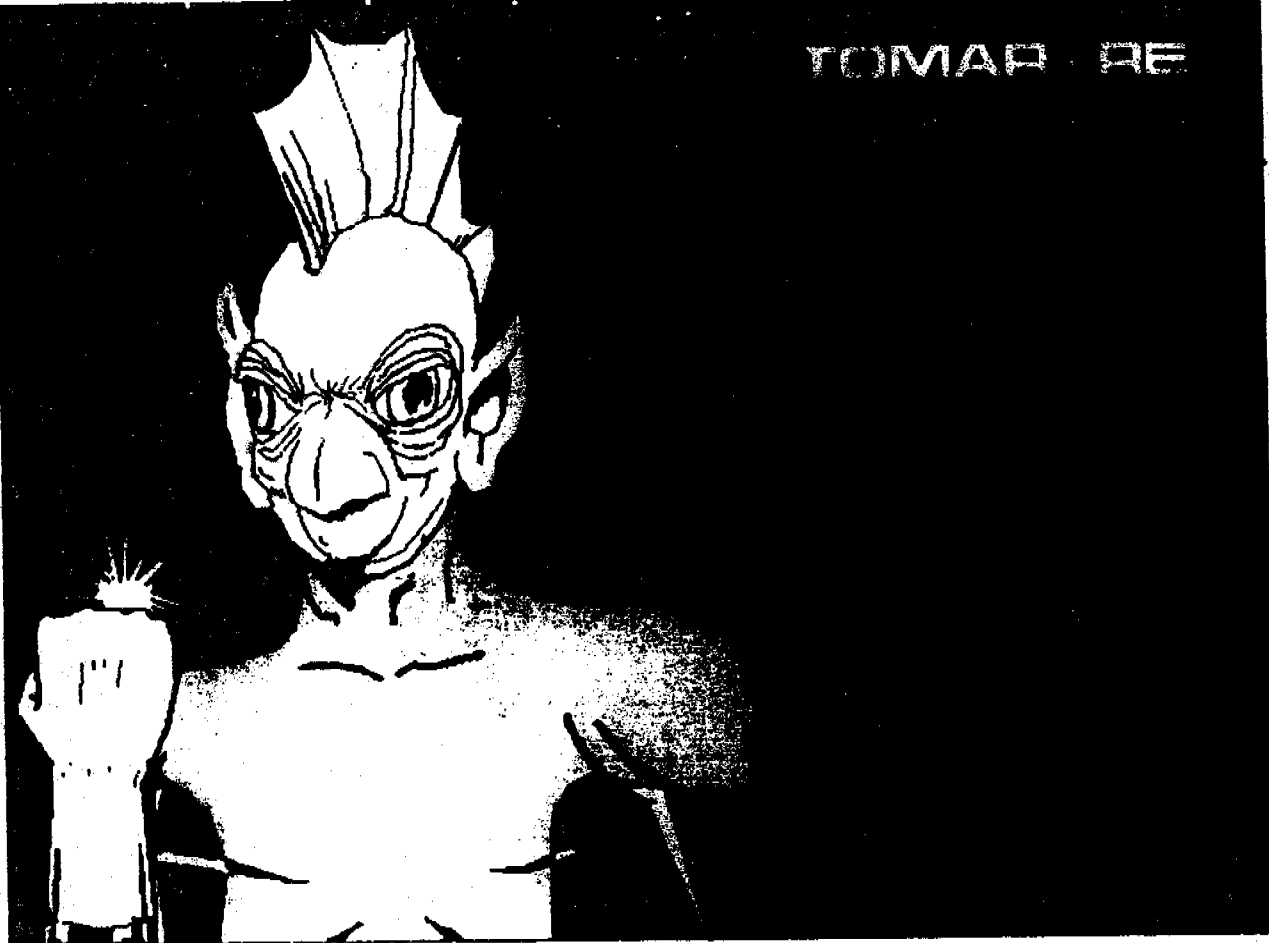


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