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BATMAN

THE BRAVE AND THE BOLD


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HA! THERE'S NO ESCAPE, BATMAN! ONCE YOU'RE OUT OF THE WAY, ATLANTIS WILL BE MINE!

NOT SO FAST, CARAPAX... YOU'VE BEEN OUTMANEUVERED!



WHAT?

EVERY CRIMINAL MAKES ONE MISTAKE.



OOF!



YOU LET ME POSITION YOU BETWEEN A CORAL REEF AND AQUAMAN.

GOOD WORK, NELLYBELLE!

 SOON...

BATMAN, OLD BEAN! THANKS TO YOU, WE CAN WRITE FINIS TO "THE STORY OF THE ROBOT THAT ATTACKED ME."



BEEEP

MAKE SURE YOU WIPE HIS COMPUTER MEMORY. THEN CARAPAX CAN BE SAFELY BROKEN DOWN AND STORED IN YOUR ROYAL ATLANTEAN VAULT.

YES, OF COURSE... WHAT SAY WE SCARE UP SOME HERRING FOR LUNCH? DID I EVER TELL YOU ABOUT THE TIME I WRESTLED A PREHISTORIC OCTOPUS?

I CALL IT "THE TALE OF THAT TIME I WRESTLED THAT PREHISTORIC OCTOPUS...."



EXCUSE ME. I HAVE TO TAKE THIS.

IT'S ALFRED, SIR. YOUR BUTLER? YOU DO REMEMBER THAT YOU HAVE A HOME, SIR?

GO AHEAD.

YOU'VE RECEIVED A DISTRESS CALL FROM LONDON ON THE SECURE LINE...

THE PANIC OF THE COMPOSITE CREATURE

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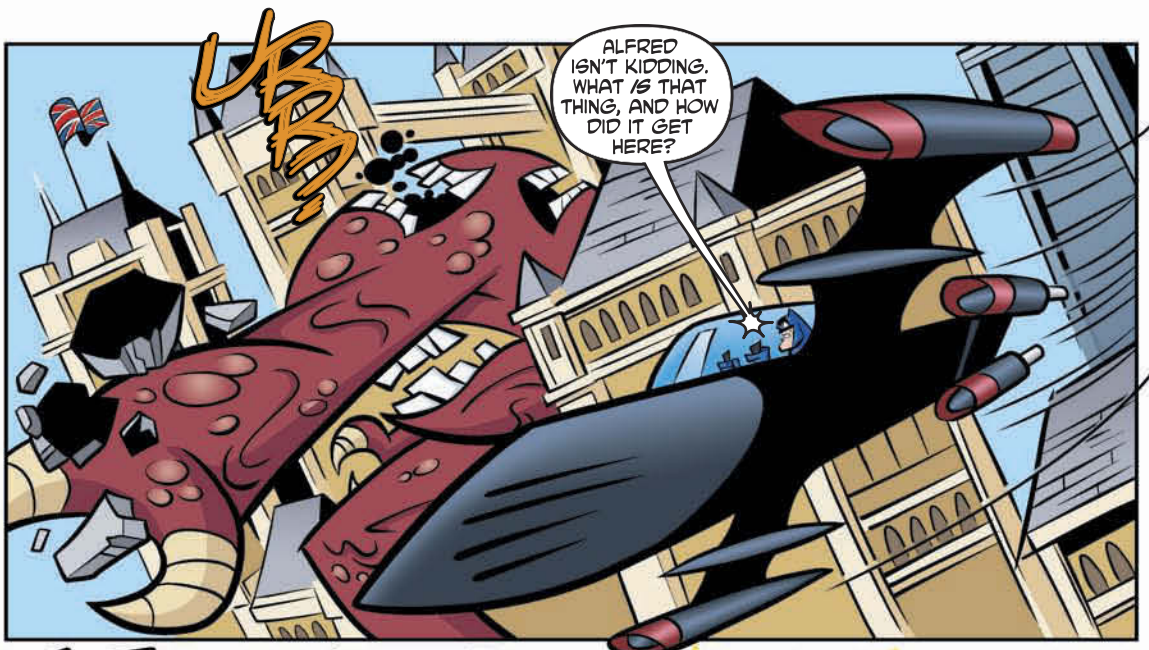
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I WOULDN'T
HAVE DISTURBED
YOU, SIR, BUT THE
PRIME MINISTER DID
SAY IT WAS RATHER
URGENT.

RAARRRGH

UNDERGROUND





ALFRED ISN'T KIDDING. WHAT IS THAT THING, AND HOW DID IT GET HERE?

URB



...AND BUY ME TIME TO BREAK OUT THE SLEEPING GAS.

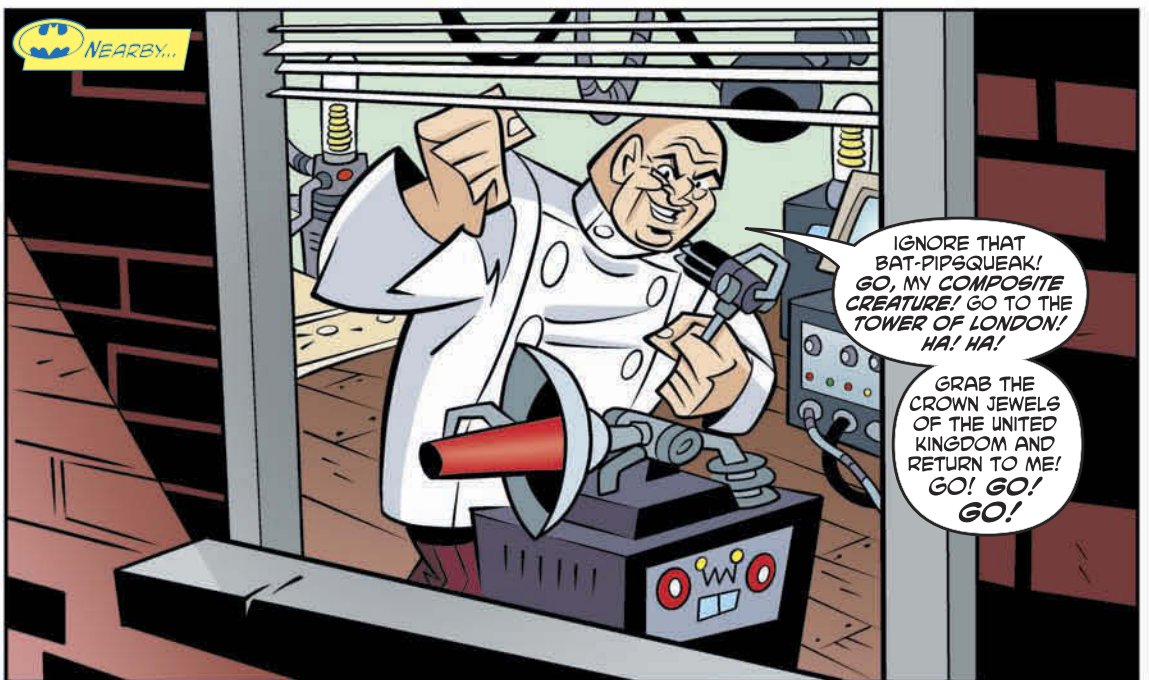
THESE PRISM PELLETS WILL DISORIENT THE CREATURE...


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AND HOW DO I STOP IT?

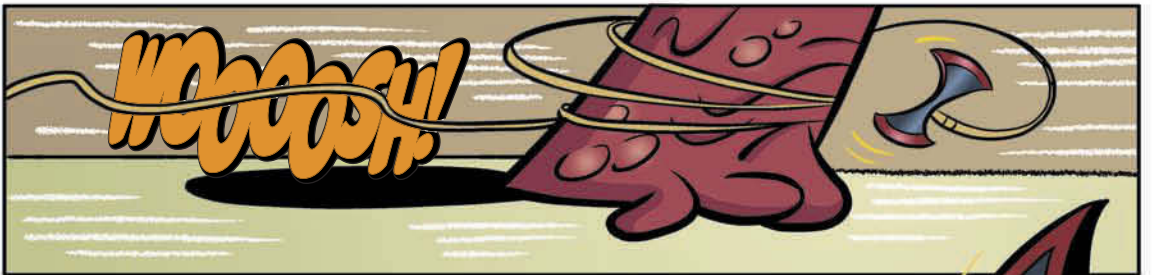
KRUNP

FOOMP



 **ACE PROGRAMMER KAREN STARR** ADDRESSES A SOFTWARE CONFERENCE ONE BLOCK AWAY...







SHWPP



CRIPES, BATS! IF YOU TRY TO TIE THIS THING DOWN, WE'LL BE HERE ALL DAY!

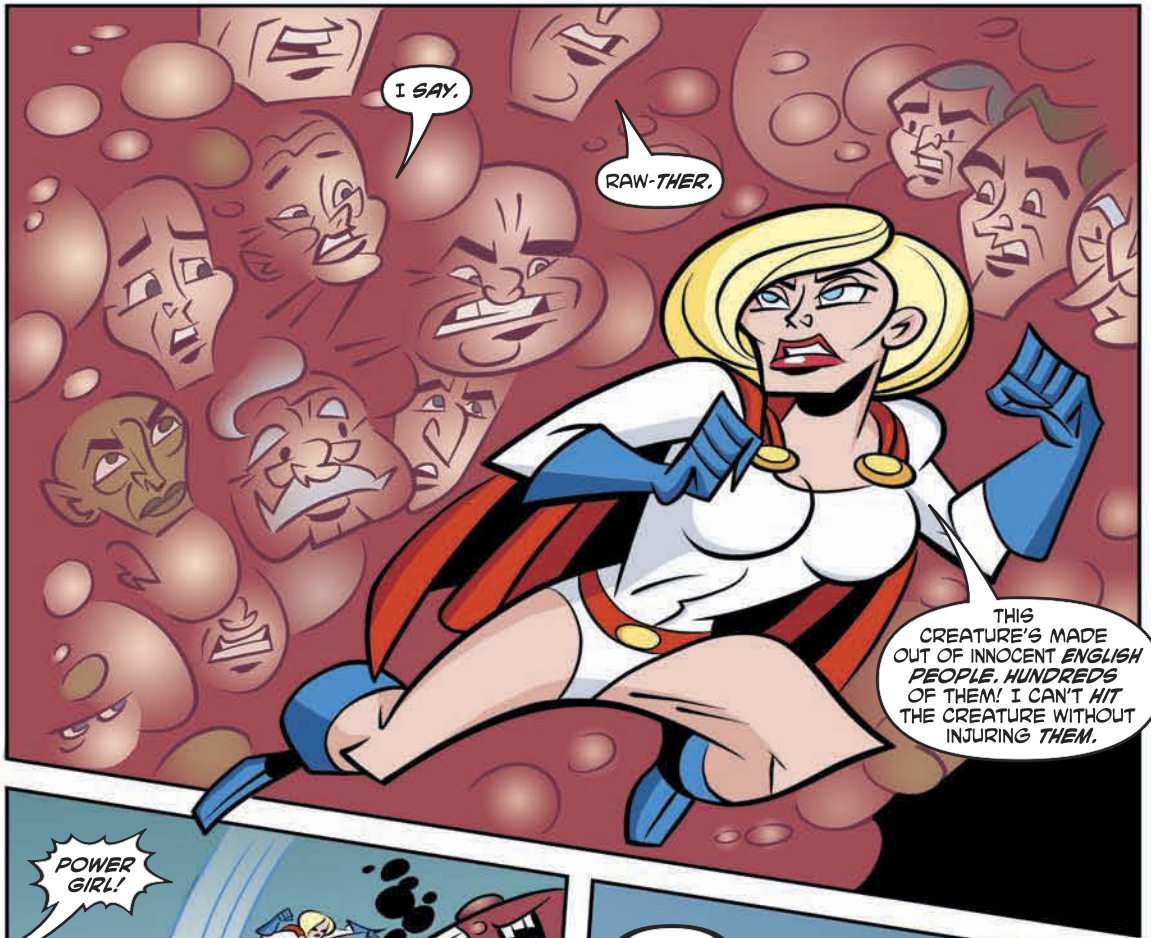
POWER GIRL?



LEMME JUST HANG A COUPLE GOOD ONES ON MONSTER-BOY'S CHIN...



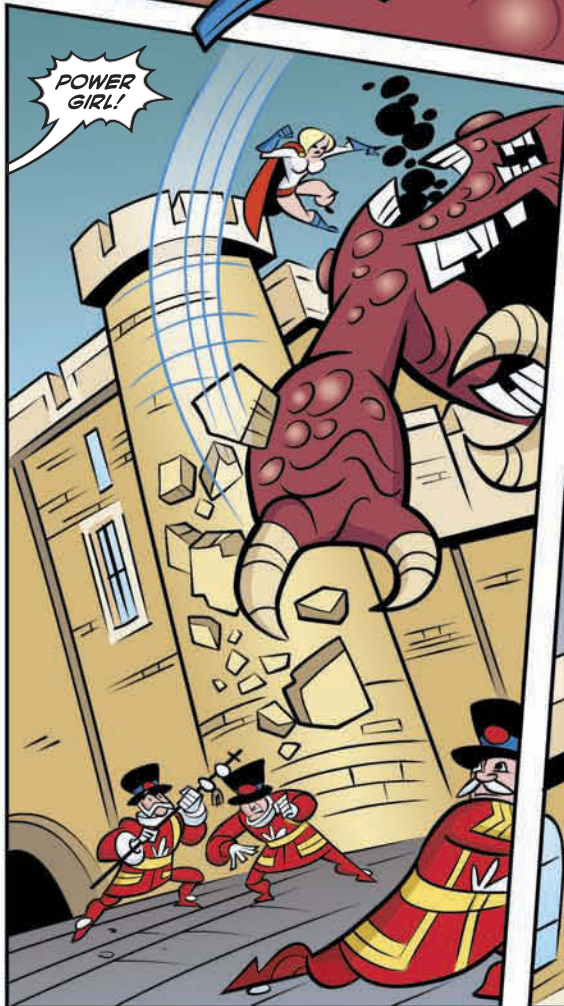
WOULD YOU MIND NOT PUNCHING ME IN THE FACE? I'M ALREADY IN A BIT OF A SPOT, DON'T YOU KNOW.



I SAY.

RAW-THER.

THIS CREATURE'S MADE OUT OF INNOCENT ENGLISH PEOPLE. HUNDREDS OF THEM! I CAN'T HIT THE CREATURE WITHOUT INJURING THEM.



POWER GIRL!



HELP ME TIE IT DOWN!

RARRGH!

HOPE THE TOWER BRIDGE WON'T MISS A FEW CABLES!

THEY WON'T HOLD FOR LONG, BUT MAYBE LONG ENOUGH TO SAVE THESE POOR SOULS. WHOEVER DID THIS TO THEM MUST STILL BE NEARBY.

I DUNNO, SCANNING THE WHOLE CITY WITH MY X-RAY VISION COULD TAKE HOURS...

A FEW MILES BACK, I SAW A BOARDED-UP BUILDING WITH A GOOD VIEW OF THE TOWER.

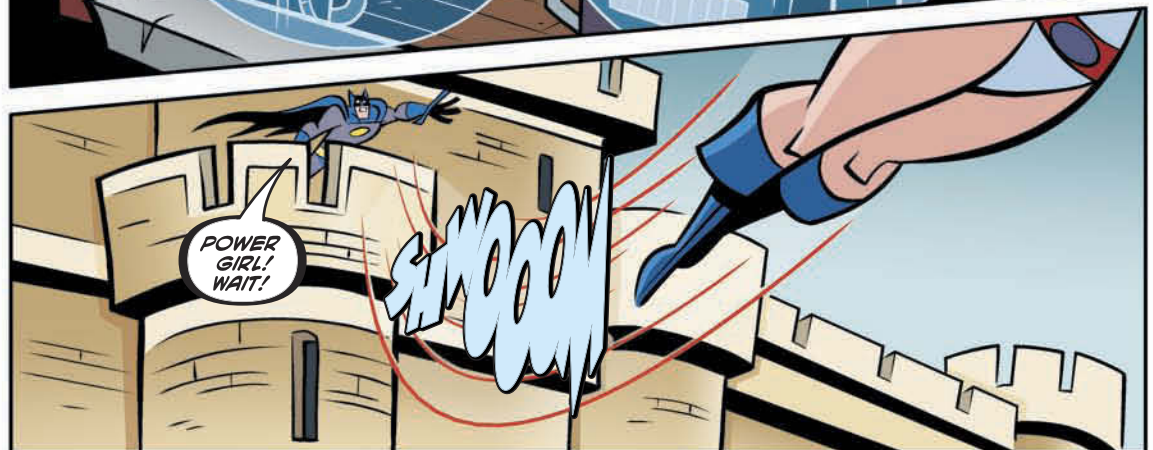
BINGO! THAT EVIL SCIENTIST, LUTHOR, HAS SET UP INSIDE!

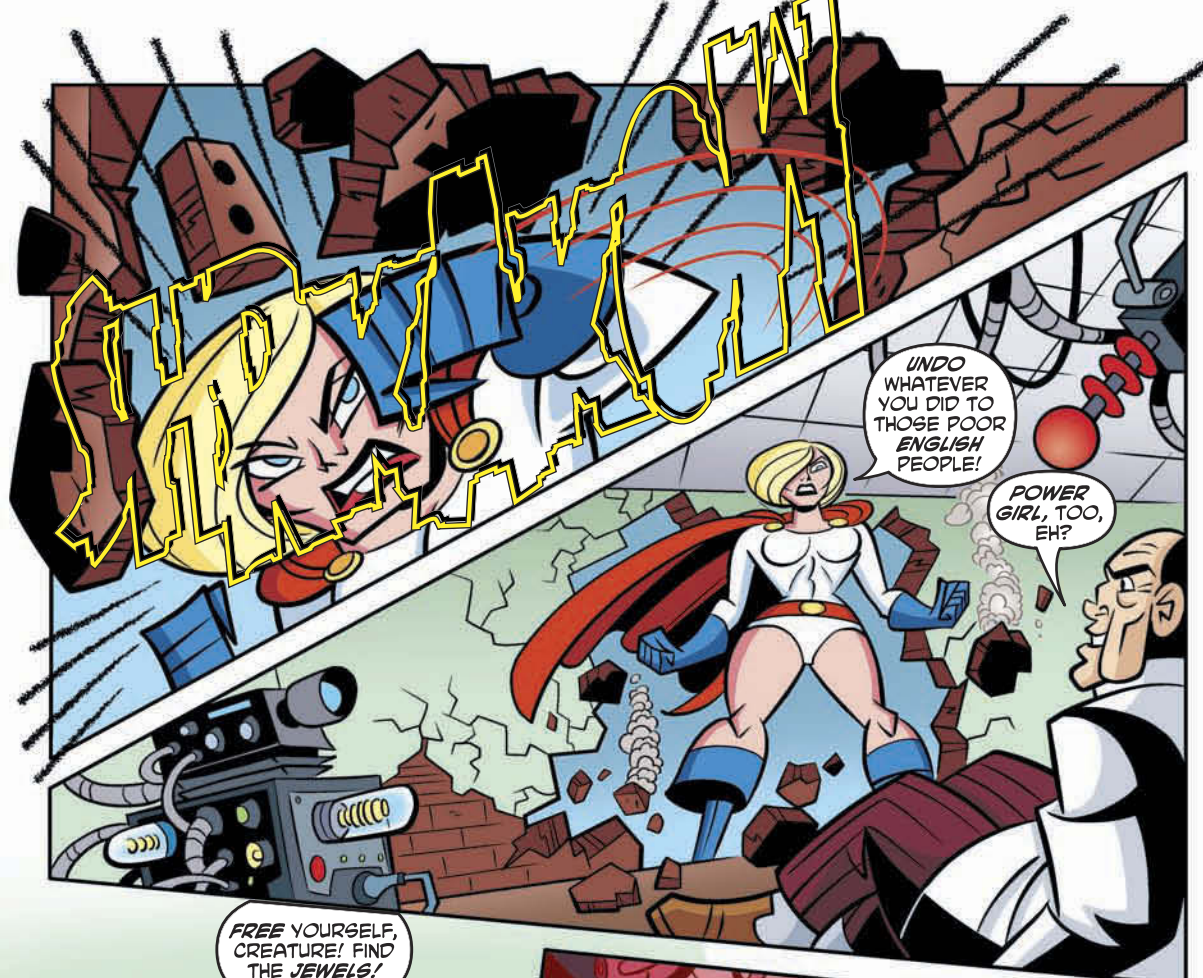
I MIGHT HAVE KNOWN. HERE'S THE PLAN...



POWER GIRL! WAIT!

SMOOOON!

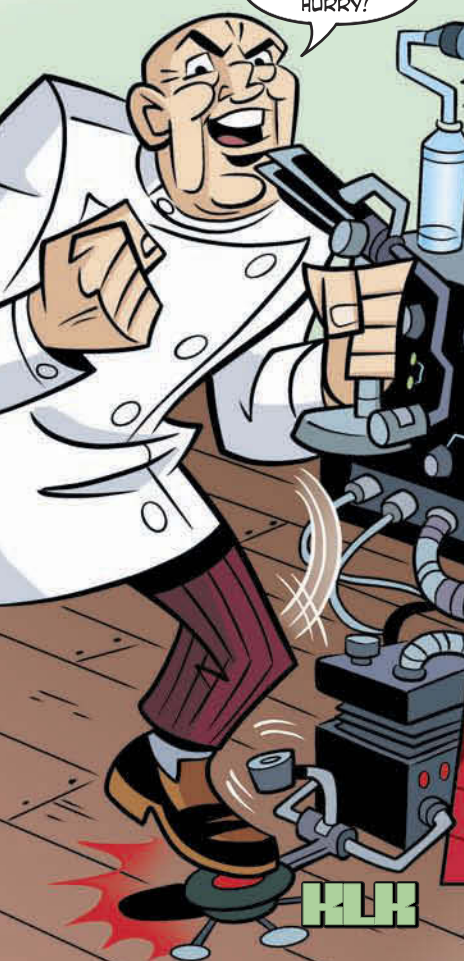




UNDO
WHATEVER
YOU DID TO
THOSE POOR
ENGLISH
PEOPLE!

POWER
GIRL, TOO,
EH?

FREE YOURSELF,
CREATURE! FIND
THE JEWELS!
HURRY!



WHAT WAS
THAT? DO YOU
REALLY WANT
TO PLAY GAMES
WITH ME,
LUTHOR?

HO-HUM.
ANOTHER MOUTHY,
BULLETPROOF OAF,
OUT TO SPOIL MY
CRIME.

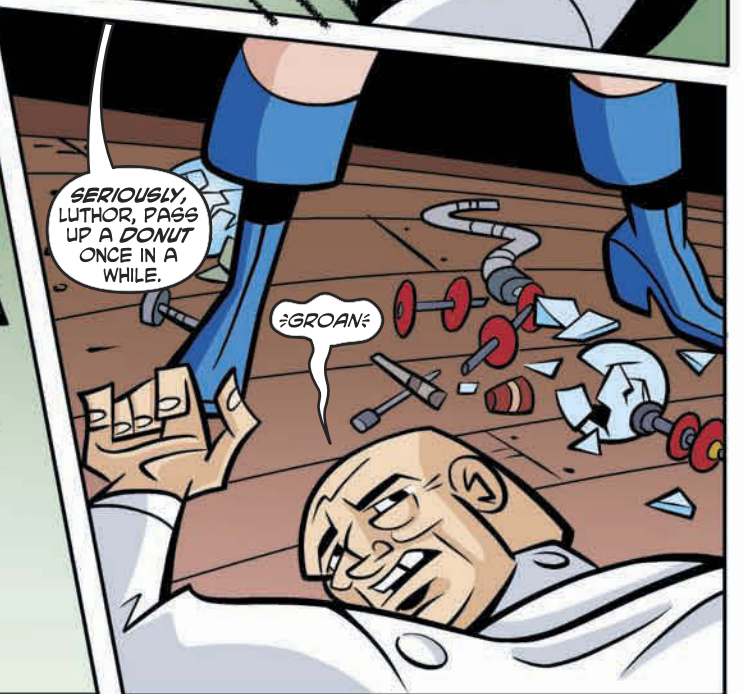
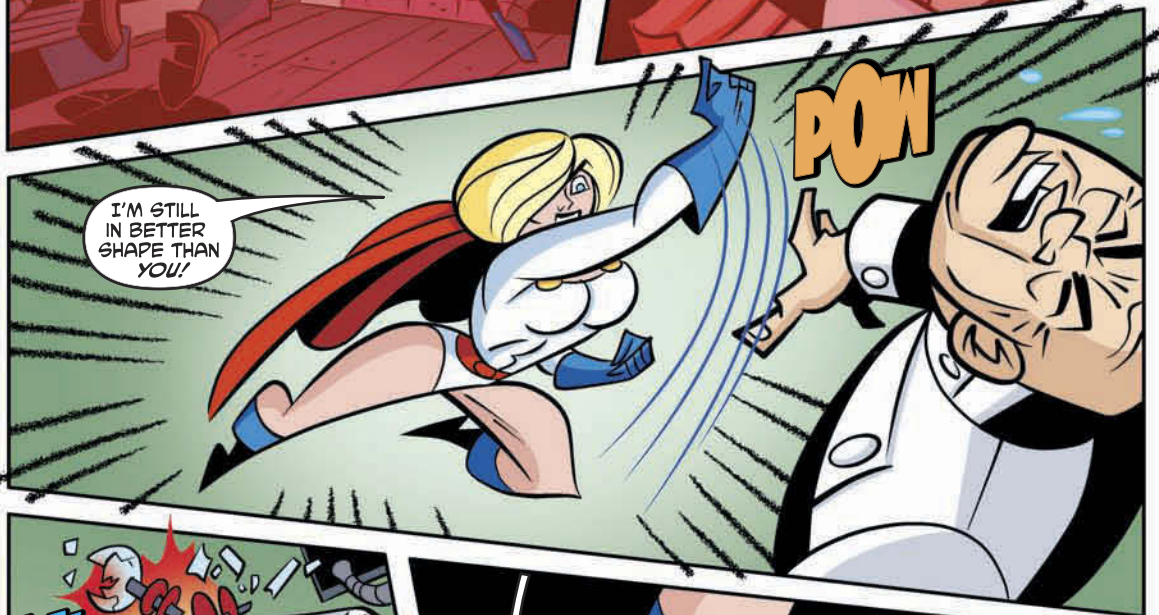


W-WHY ARE
YOU GETTING
SO HEAVY?

SIMPLETON,
YOU'RE STANDING
IN THE RAYS OF
MY RED SUN
LAMP!

I'D BEEN
DEVELOPING IT
TO USE ON THAT
OTHER KRYPTONIAN
BUGSBODY,
SUPERMAN!

KLVK





NOW LET'S SEE... WHOOPS! GOT AROUND YOUR ENCRYPTION FAST ENOUGH... WHAT'S THIS?



A FOLDER MARKED "CONCATENATION RAY," AND A PASSWORD PROMPT! HMM... DON'T SUPPOSE YOU'D JUST TELL ME THE PASSWORD, HUH?
LUTHOR?



W-WHAT KIND OF GUN IS THAT?

IT'S A TELEPORTATION RAY THAT DOESN'T QUITE WORK YET.



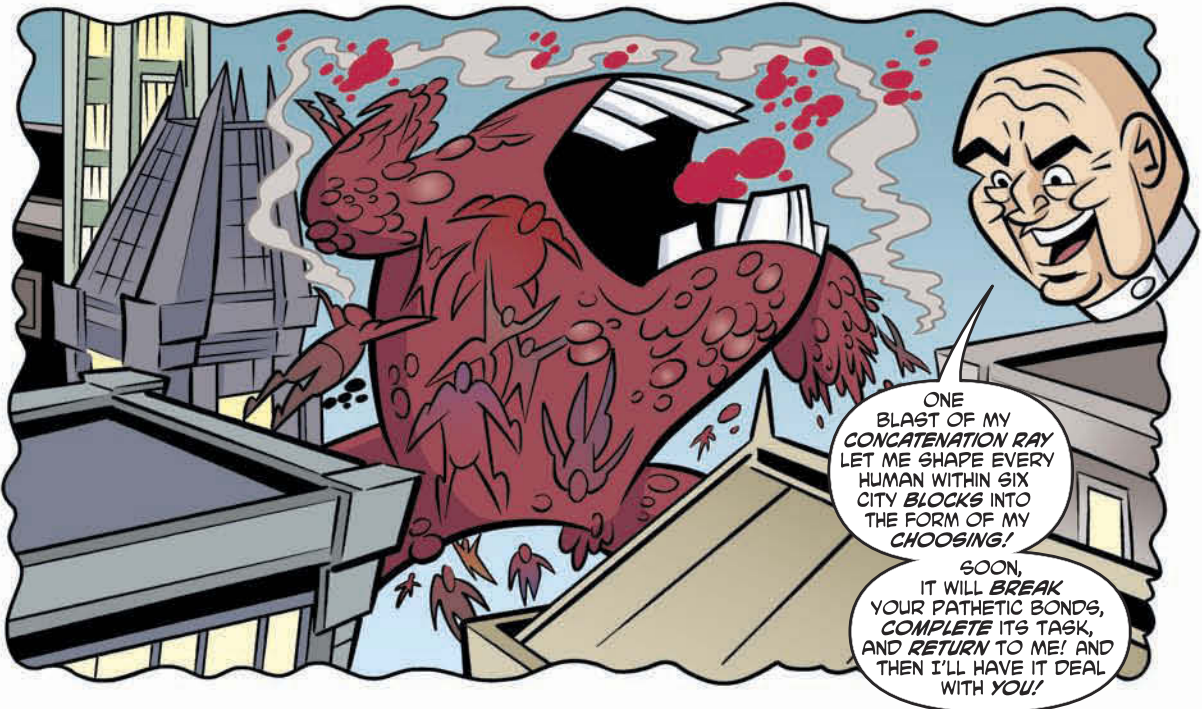
BACK AWAY FROM THE KEYBOARD, PLEASE. THIS WILL BE MESSY.

IN THAT CASE...



...EAT IT OVER THE SINK!

WHUUDD

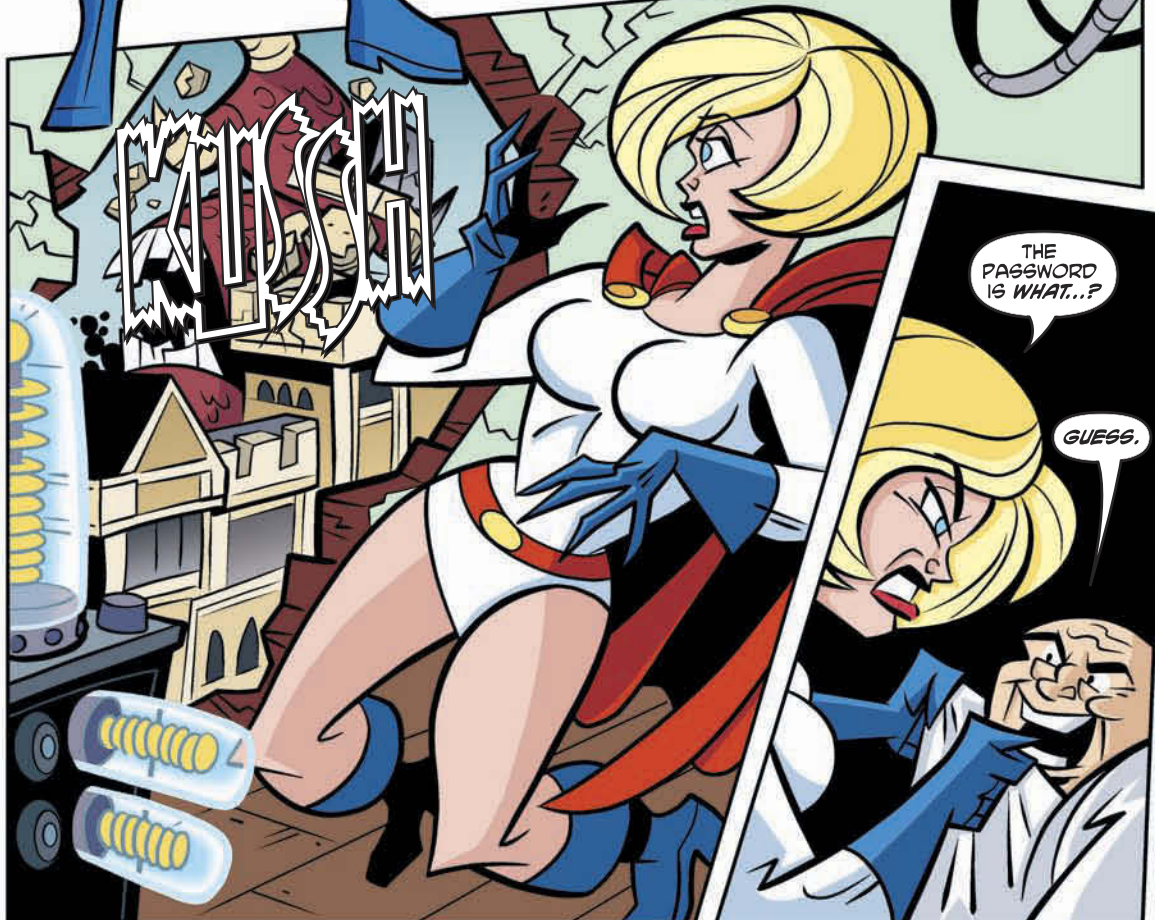
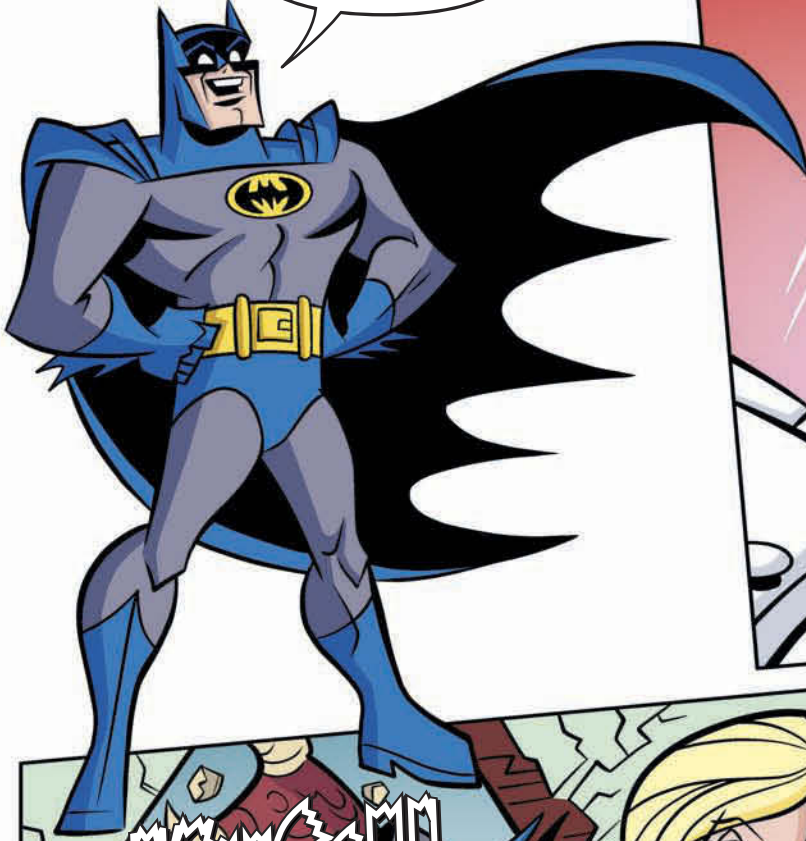


THE CROWN JEWELS AREN'T *THERE*, LUTHOR.

WHEN I SAW THE MONSTER HEAD TOWARD THE TOWER, I ALERTED THE *AUTHORITIES*. THE *YEOMAN WARDERS* RAN THEM OUT THE BACK DOOR BEFORE YOUR MONSTER EVER ATTACKED.

IDIOT!
THE CREATURE WILL *DESTROY* THE CITY LOOKING FOR THOSE JEWELS!

YOUR INTERFERENCE HAS *DOOMED* THE HUNDREDS INSIDE MY CREATURE, AND *THOUSANDS MORE* ONCE IT BREAKS LOOSE! *HA! HA!*



THE PASSWORD IS WHAT...?

GUESS.

LET'S SEE...
RANDOM LETTERS AND
NUMBERS ARE ALWAYS THE
SAFEST CHOICE. BUT INSTEAD,
MOST PEOPLE CHOOSE
SOMETHING IMPOSSIBLE
TO FORGET.

SUCH AS
THE NAME OF
A *RELATIVE*, OR
A FRIEND, OR EVEN
AN *ENEMY*.

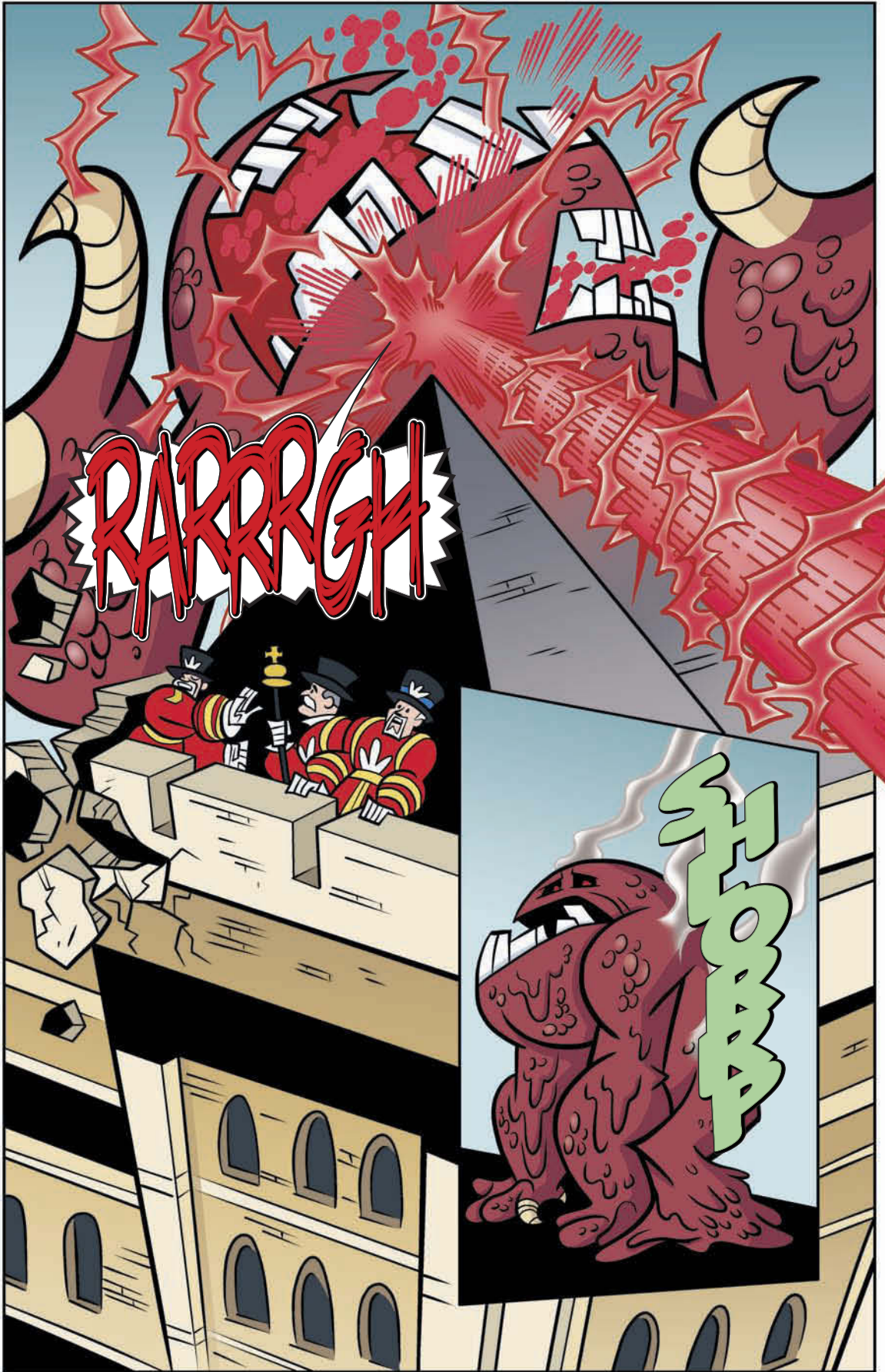
SUPERMAN.

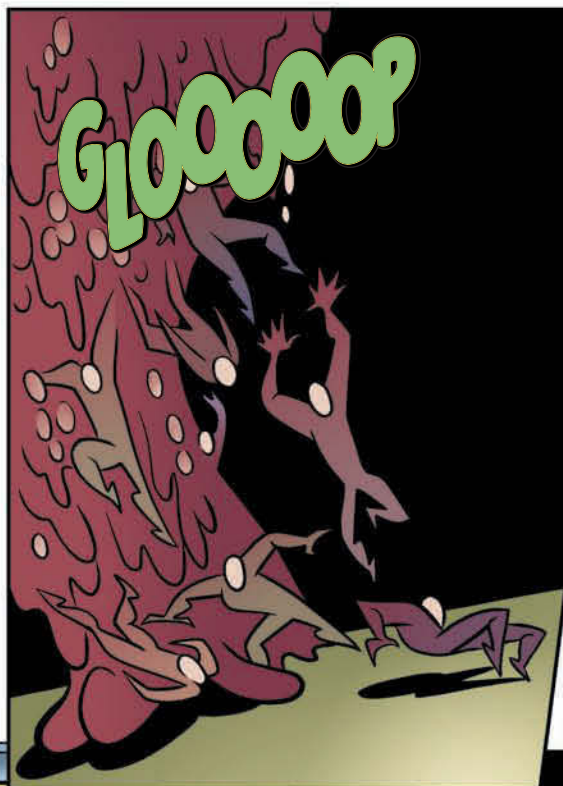
NOW
WHO'S
THE DOLT,
LUTHOR?

TAPPITA-TAP
BIDOLA

UP-DOWN-
UP-UP-DOWN-
UP. ACCORDING TO
THESE SCHEMATICS,
THAT SEQUENCE
SHOULD REVERSE THE
CONCATENATION
CIRCUIT.

ZZZZSHRAKKT





STRIKE A LIGHT, GUV!
IT'S AS IF 'UNDREDS OF
US WAS COMBINED INTO
A MONSTER!

RUBBISH!
CLEARLY SOME
SORT OF MASS
HALLUCINATION,
WOT?

JOLLY
GOOD SHOW,
BATMAN!



SO... WHERE DID THE JEWELS END UP, ANYWAY?



BATMAN! THANK YOU *EVER* SO MUCH! AS SOON AS WE GOT YOUR MESSAGE, WE STASHED THE LOOT IN BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

THAT IS THE WORD? "LOOT"?

THAT'S CORRECT YOUR HIGHNESS!

SOON...

AWW, A MEDAL... SHE'S SUCH A SWEETIE!



YOU *DESERVE* IT. FOR ALL YOUR *STRENGTH*, IT WAS THE BRUTE FORCE OF YOUR *CHARACTER* THAT SAVED ALL THESE PEOPLE.



MEH, WE'D *NEVER* LET INNOCENT BYSTANDERS GET HURT. LUTHOR WAS COUNTING ON THAT.

TRUE, BUT CRIMINALS ALWAYS MAKE *ONE MISTAKE*...HE NEVER COUNTED ON BEING *OUTWITTED*.

WELL, *THIS* BRAINY HERO CAN'T WAIT TO START PUNCHING THROUGH *CONCRETE* AGAIN...



... BUT *FIRST* I'LL HAVE TO SOAK UP SOME *SUNLIGHT*.

THEN BY *ALL MEANS*, POWER GIRL, LET'S GET YOU OUT OF *FOGGY LONDON*!

END.

LEX LUTHOR

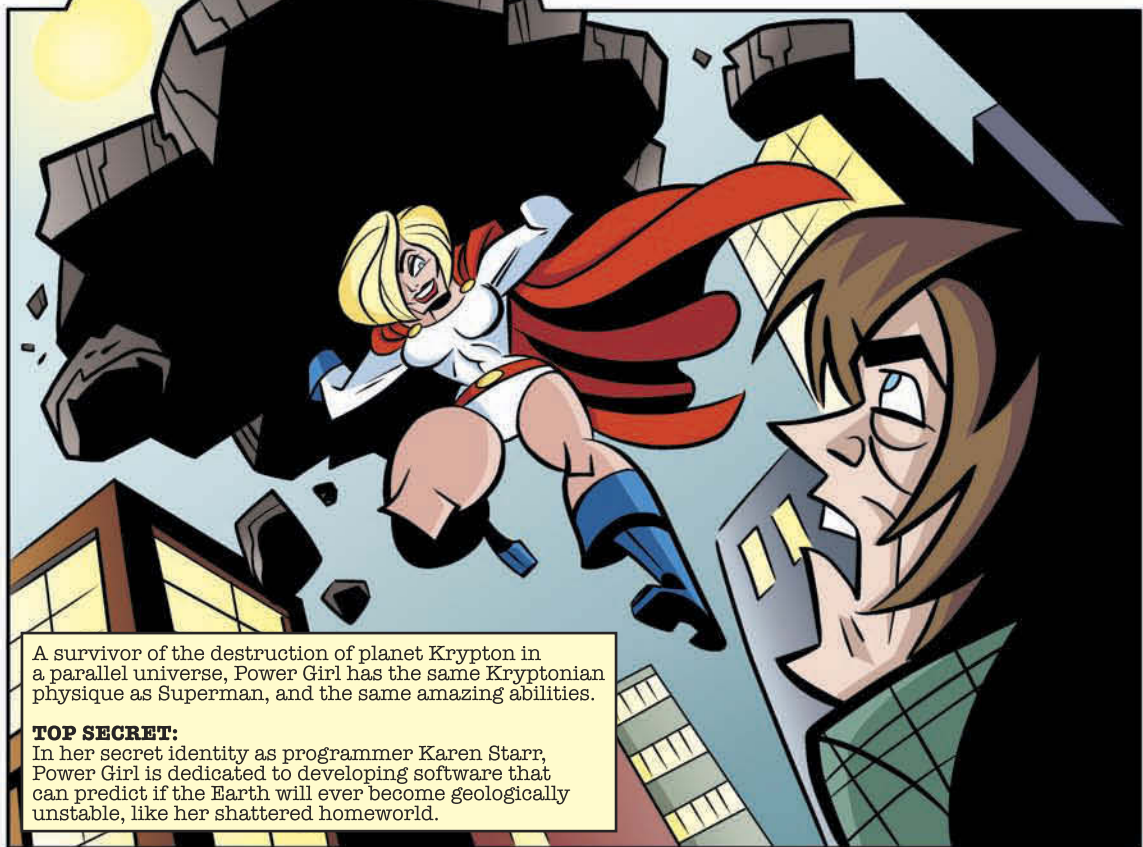


Luthor is a criminal mastermind, as brilliant as he is ruthless. He uses his gifts to plan stunning crimes that he thinks prove his superiority. He won't rest until he is rich and his enemies are destroyed.

TOP SECRET:

Born into extreme poverty, Luthor was tempted early by the easy money to be had in a life of evil.

POWER GIRL



A survivor of the destruction of planet Krypton in a parallel universe, Power Girl has the same Kryptonian physique as Superman, and the same amazing abilities.

TOP SECRET:

In her secret identity as programmer Karen Starr, Power Girl is dedicated to developing software that can predict if the Earth will ever become geologically unstable, like her shattered homeworld.

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