

Blurry Robot Theater

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UNABLE TO FIND
HER LOVER IN THE
UNDERWORLD,
TSUGARU MADE A
DEAL WITH MY
LEGION...

INFORMATION,
FOR CONTINUED
EXISTENCE...



Three seconds
to tell me...

Three...

Two...



...and
onebb



⇒CLANK⇒



Too bad.

Obviously, you don't know who I am.

I am the anti-pasta.

I am the master chef in this hell's kitchen.

I am...

SSSIDESSWIPE...

RREQUESTSTFORMED...
BADLY FF



YOU AARE
SSSIDESSWIPE.



A red robot with a pointed helmet and a large stack of lumber. The robot is pointing towards the right. The stack of lumber is labeled "Big Iron".

I am not Sideswipe, you...
son of a...Macintosh.

I am looking
for Sideswipe.

He is sleeping
under a tree....

...somewhere
in the woods...

over there--

Big Iron

THE SLEEPING
ONE WAS
NOT GOOD.

THE SLEEPING
ONE DREAMS
NO DREAMS.

THE SLEEPING
ONE IS EMPTY.

THE SLEEPING
ONE HAS
NO MIND.

YOU HAVE-

A mind 4o
puree you is
what I have!!

STUPID SON OF
A MACINTOSH

INN: NAUGHTY



YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE MIND.
FRAGMENTS OF THOUGHTS.
BLENDED WITH YOUR OWN.
INSEPARABLE. UNRECOVERABLE-:-

Shut up, shut up!!!

BLENDED WITH YOUR OWN.
MEMORIES AND THOUGHTS
BLENDED WITH YOUR OWN.

YOU ARE
SIDESWIPE.





THINK HIS THOUGHTS

THEY ARE IN
YOUR MIND

DREAM HIS
DREAMS

I...

THEY ARE IN
YOUR MIND

THE
DREAM
IS IN
YOUR
MIND

THE TREE IS
IN YOUR MIND

said...

HE SLEEPS IN YOUR MIND
HE SLEEPS IN YOUR-



Sleep in hell,
shitbags!!

RRRRROOOOOOOOOOAAAAARRRRR



Frakbb The recoil--





SPLUTCH!




CRUNCH





blind-b



My eyes!

Konami,
my eyes!!

Qaab

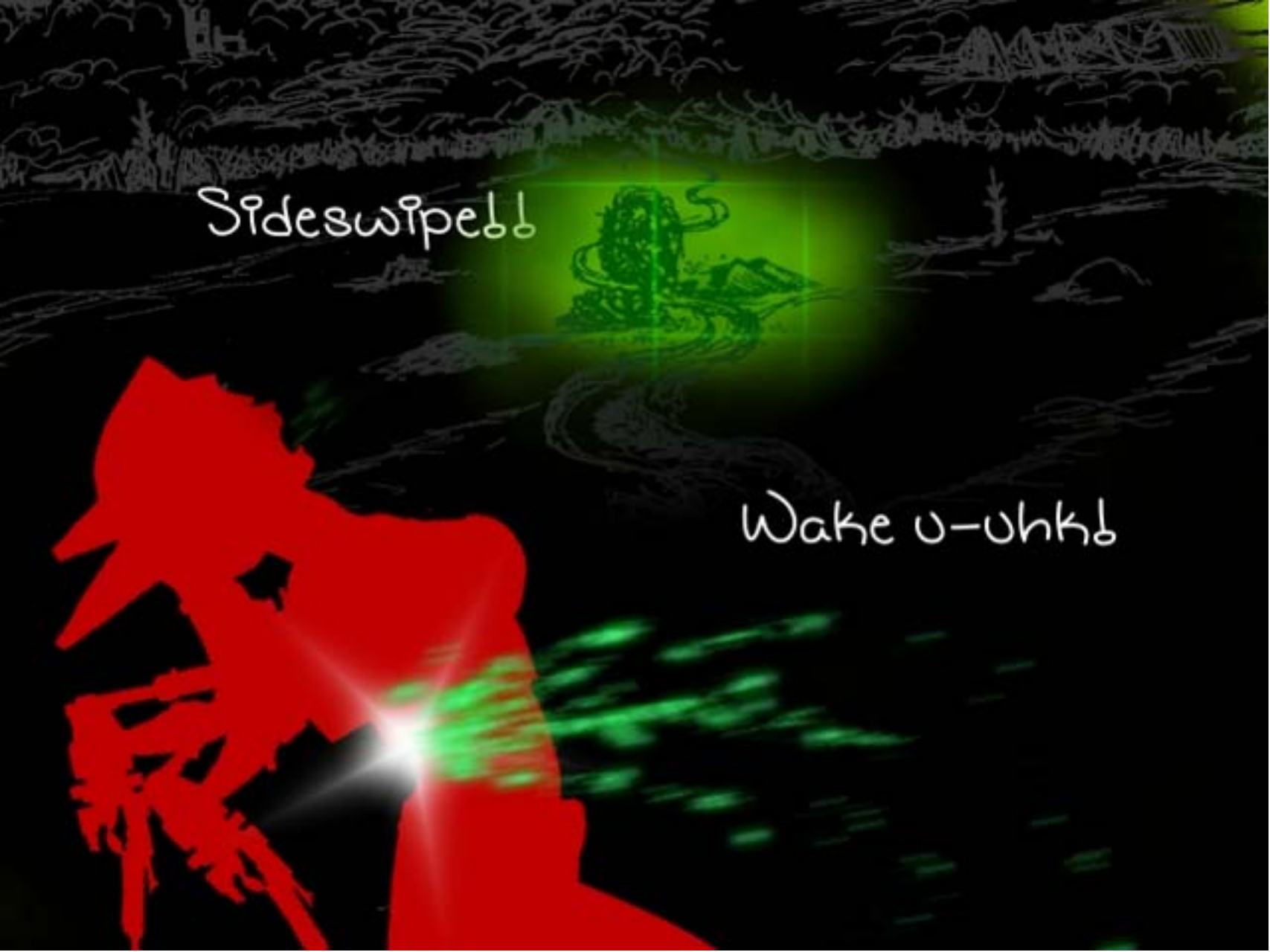
H-helpbb

aaaaaaaaaugh!

H-help!!

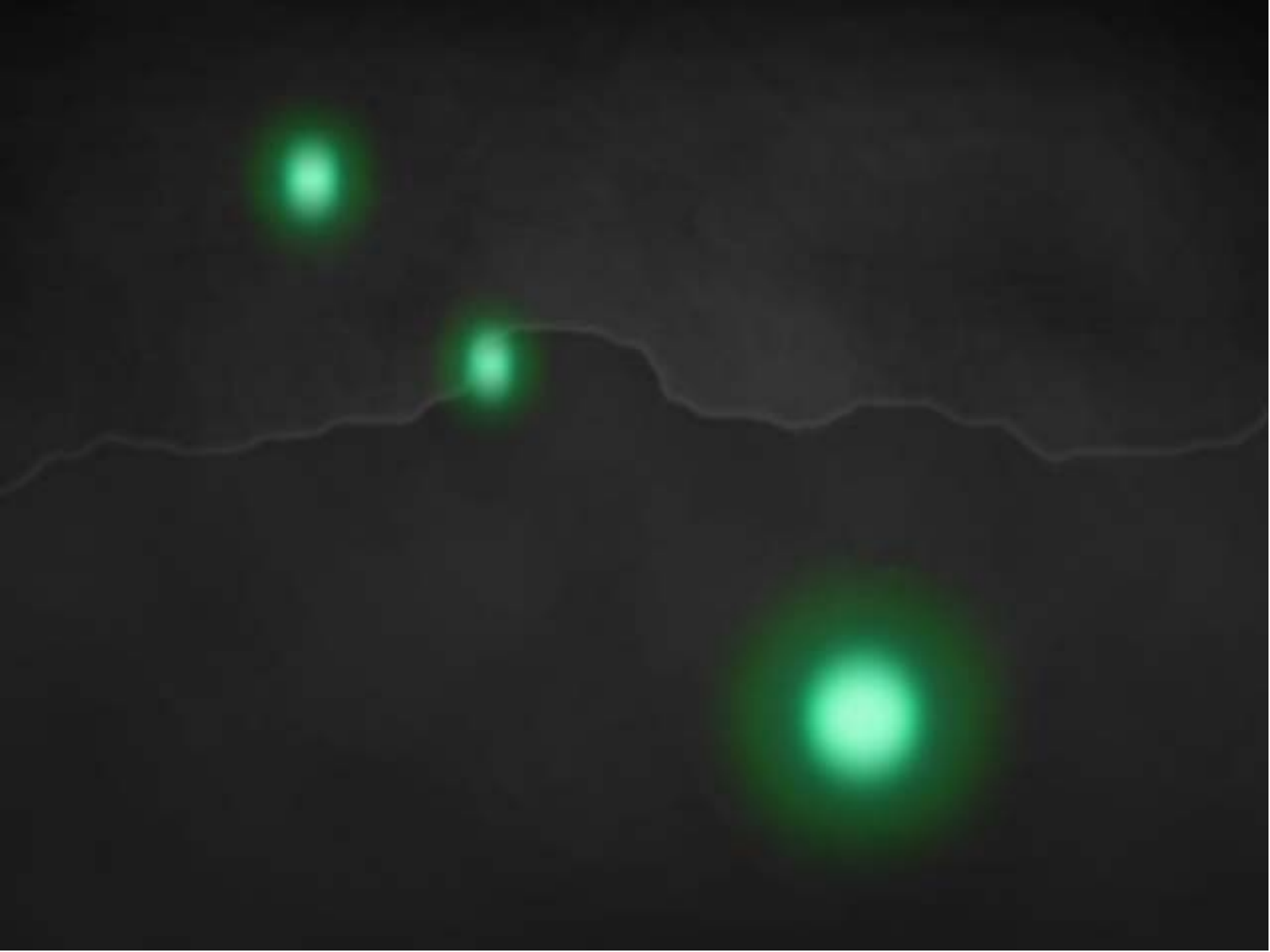
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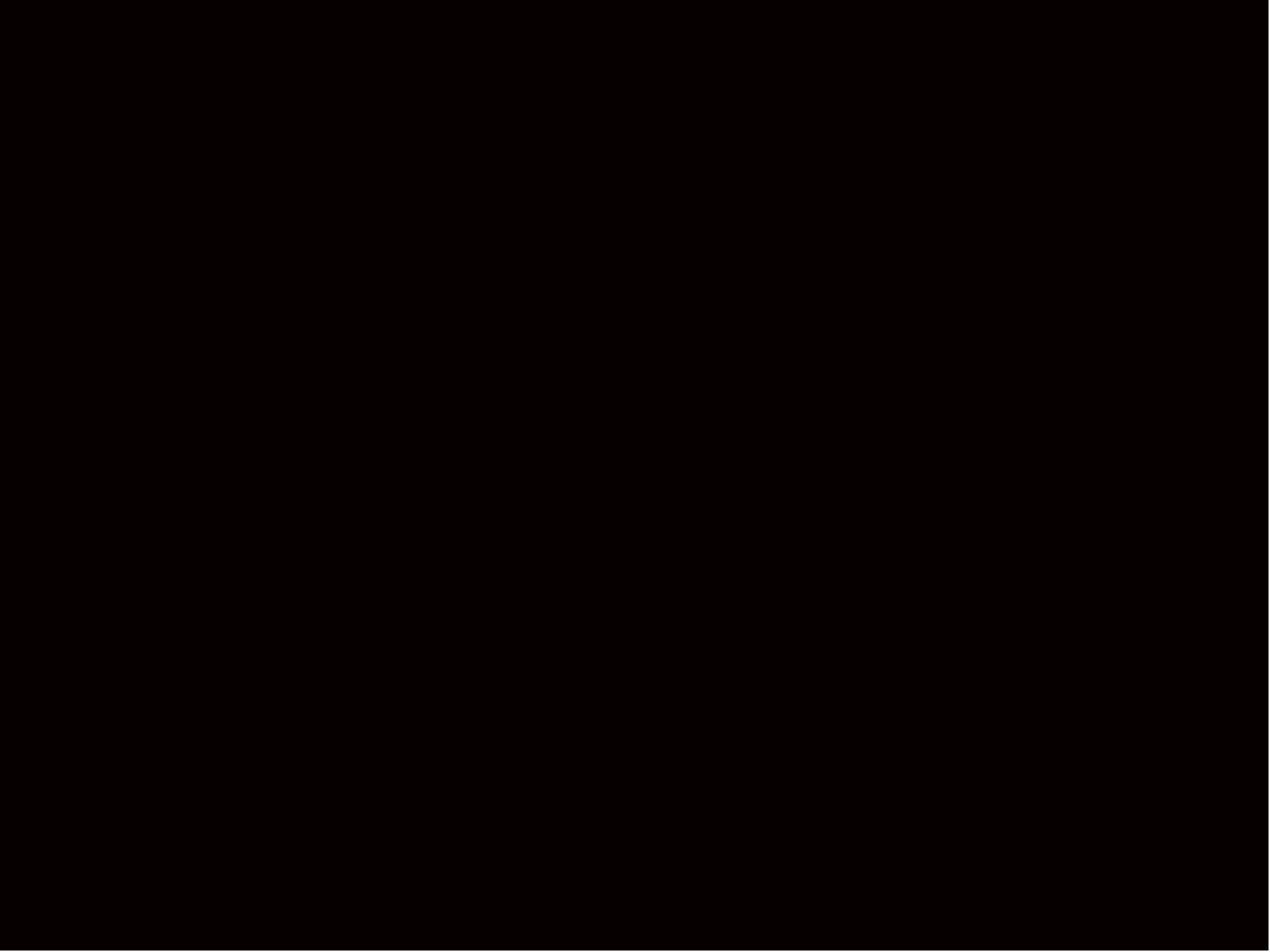
Sideswipe-!



Sideswipe!!

Wake u-uhk!







WAIT.

WAIT FOR IT...

CHOMP

YEAH!!

SLASSH!!

SCRATCH
ONE!

DAMN,
YOU'RE
GOOD!

OKAY,
DROP IT,
WE GOT
MORE...



SOMEWHERE...

NOT
FAR...

I CAN
HEAR
THEM...

HSSSSSS



THERE!

⇒FTANG!⇐

⇒WHIFF!⇐

NO! OTHER SIDE!



OTHER SIDE,
SHINKI!

⇒FTANG!⇐



OH!

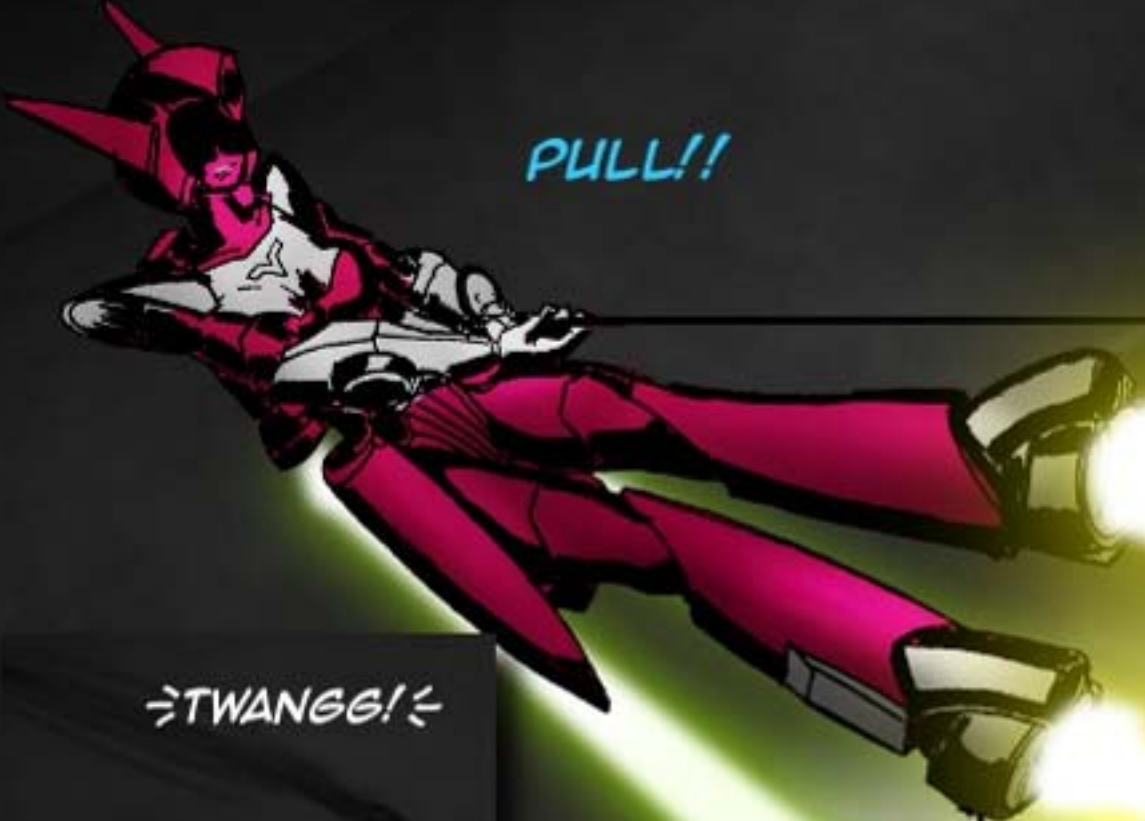
THUNK!

LUCKY
SHOT!



OKAY! DIVE!
DIVE UNDER!

AND-



PULL!!


⇒TWANGG!⇐

⇒RRIPP!⇐

A CHEAP WIN, STILL A WIN!
NEVER WASTE A LUCKY SHOT!

S...Side...swipe!



A character in a red suit with a horned helmet is riding a motorcycle. The character is holding a gun. The background is dark and smoky, with a bright light source on the right. The character is in the foreground, and the motorcycle is in the foreground. The text is in the upper right area.

RIDE 'EM
SHINKI!

THAT'S THE
LAST ONE.

YOU'RE
SAFE NOW.

GOT TO SLEEP NOW...
CAN'T...KEEP AWAKE...LONG.

No! Don't sleep!

You've got to
keep talking,
I can't see-



BLOOSH!



Sideswipe66

I'm in the
stream.

Can you
see me?



Sideswipe--?

S-say
something-b



I heard
his voice...
clear...



That...means...

...It means he is...

...close.

Yes...close...a-and now...
...sleeping.

Of c-course, sleeping.
U-under a tree,
like Schatten said...
The 4-tree...It's here...



I saw...a tree...
but..where?



Please...



that tree...

I have to f-find
that tree...

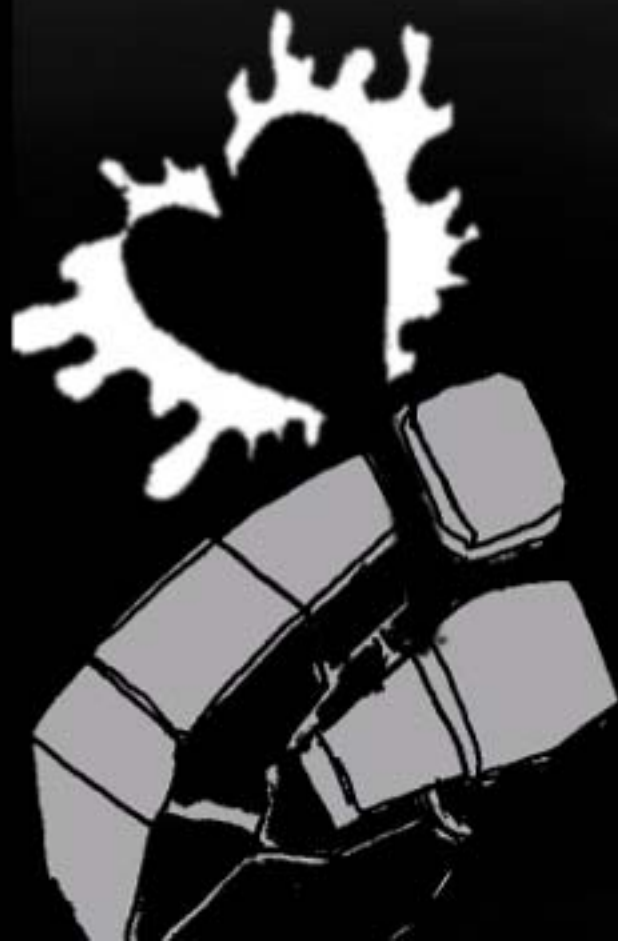




It's...



...a...a leaf!



The
tree

I...
must
be...

right
under
it



Swipers! It's me, I'm here!

~KTHLINK~

Aah!





...Stuck...



Can't...get...loose

Ggggah



Hrrrah!



I can't be stuck! Not now!
Not when I've almost found--

FOUND?

YES.

WHAT *HAVE*
YOU FOUND?

I WONDER.



All right, what are you?



WHAT ARE YOU?

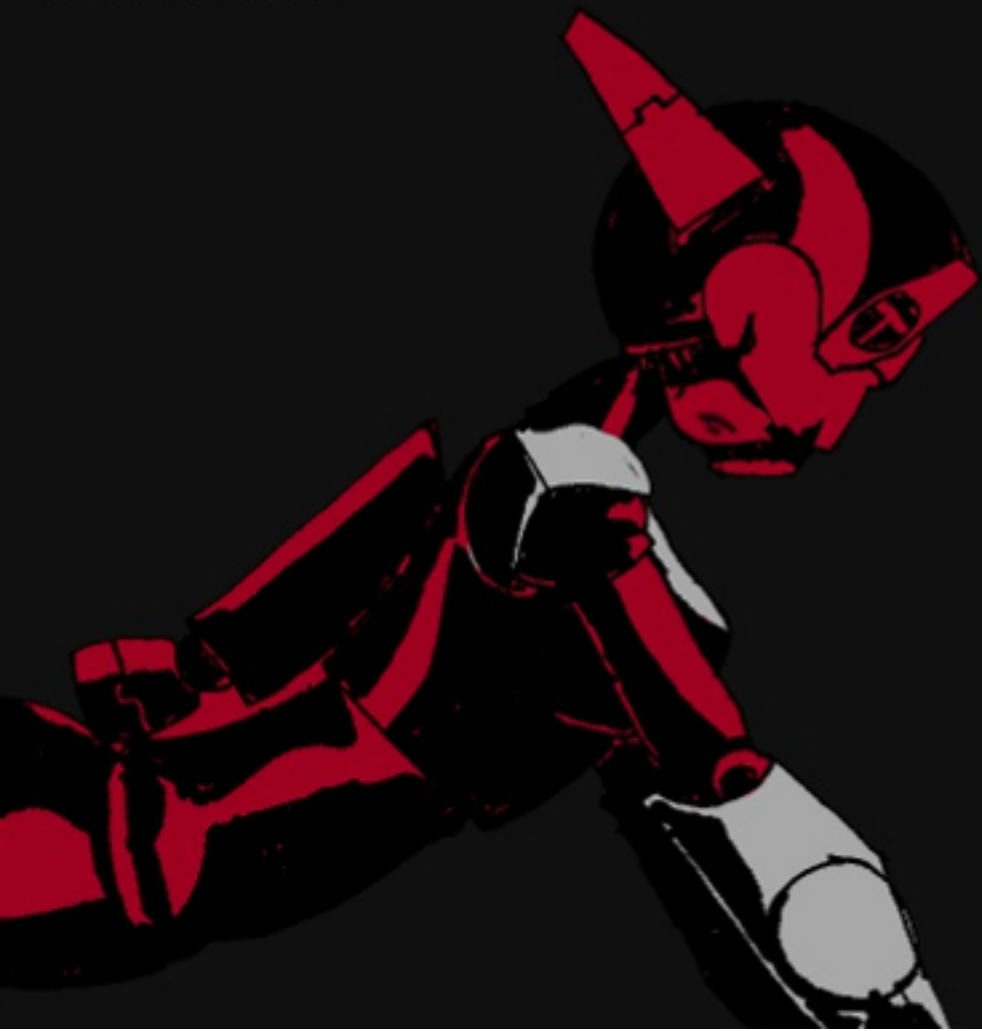
What do you mean...what am I?



I THINK YOU KNOW
EXACTLY WHAT I MEAN.

WHAT ARE YOU,
TSUGARU?

WHAT WERE YOU WHEN
YOU TOOK HIM FROM
STELLITE?



Stellite was dead
When I went back
in after the fire
I saw --

I.... saw...

YES. YOU SAW.
YOU REMEMBER.
MANY THINGS.

LOOK DOWN,
TSUGARU.

YOU NEED
NOT SEE...

EVEN IN
THE DARK
YOU KNOW
THEM...

THOSE
HANDS.



WHOSE HANDS?

S....side...swipe's...

AND...
WHO ARE YOU?

I am...
...Sideswipe.

VERY
GOOD.



Very good? Free me!
You son of a bitch!
I'll show you GOOD!



Free me, kill me,
It makes no difference!
I've come here to give it all.
Every drop this time.

My love lies close by...
I've come here to sleep.



SOON YOU
WILL WAKE.

What?



TSUGARU...

YOU ARE
DREAMING.



DREAMING.



WHILE THE
DOCTORS
TRY TO
SAVE YOUR
MIND.

THEY HAVE NEARLY SUCCEEDED...

...THOUGH YOU WON'T BE THE SAME.



I battled
the Legion

The pain
in my eyes

Then...if this is not real...
the Green Lady...she never
gave me that drink...and
Sideswipe isn't inside...

...BECAME
ENTANGLED IN
LIFE-SUPPORT
TUBES..

...THE SURGEON'S
HAND TREMBLED,
HIS KNIFE SLIPPED...

WHO CAN SAY
WHAT IS REAL?



AND YOU DON'T REMEMBER
HOW STELLITE'S BURNED CARCASS
FELL APART IN YOUR HANDS.

N-no I'll k-kill you!

YOU KNOW THE THINGS
HE NEVER TOLD YOU.

YOU WILL REMEMBER THEM
WHEN YOU WAKE UP...

AND THEY WILL STICK
WITH YOU ALL YOUR LIFE.
YOU WILL NEVER ESCAPE...



WITHOUT MY HELP.

Your...help?



I CAN MAKE IT SO
YOU NEVER HAVE
TO LEAVE HERE.

Go.....on.

AS I SAID, THE DOCTORS OF EUTROPOLIS
ARE WORKING ON YOUR BRAIN. IF THEY
SUCCEED, AND THEY CERTAINLY WILL,
YOU WILL AWAKE...

...TO A REALITY WHERE SIDESWIPE IS A
COLD, EMPTY SHELL, AND YOU HAVE A LIFETIME
OF BLIND DARKNESS TO CONTEMPLATE
HIS MEMORIES, LOCKED IN YOUR MIND...

N-nob



BUT IF THE DOCTORS
WERE TO FAIL...

LEAVING YOUR BODY MOSTLY FUNCTIONAL,
BUT UNABLE TO REGAIN CONSCIOUSNESS...

THE DOCTORS OF YLISS
WOULD HAVE NO CHOICE
BUT TO PUT YOU IN
COLD STORAGE...



BRT
11.13

With... Sideswiped

YESSS.

That's what I wanted...
they wouldn't... I tried
to fix it so they would...
my Busou system didn't
let my gun fire...



KOHAN
WEAPON IS LO
PLEASE TO CLEAR
HAZARD CONDITION
BEFORE DETAIL THANKS!

YES. YOUR BUSOU SYSTEM...

BRT
11.15

<Wh...what?!

-THERE WILL BE NO MISFIRES THIS TIME.
WE WILL SIMPLY PREVENT YOUR MIND
FROM EVER COMING BACK.

Prevent....how?

BY EXCISING
SOME BAD DATA.



I don't-

CERTAIN NEGATIVE EMOTIONS
WILL BE REMOVED FROM YOUR MIND.
BURIED HATREDS, LATENT CRUELITIES...
SUBMERGED REPTILIAN DESIRES.

YOU WILL NOT MISS THEM.
YOU HARDLY KNOW THEM...

...BUT WITHOUT THEM, YOUR MIND MUST SLEEP...
HERE...UNDER THIS TREE...FOREVER.

When he fell...
landed on my windshield...
can you take that away, too?



THE IMAGE
IS AS GOOD
AS GONE.

YOU WILL
REMEMBER HIM
AS HE WAS.

I PROMISE.

SO...
DO YOU ACCEPT
MY OFFER?

DECIDE QUICKLY,
MORNING IS NEAR.



BRT
10.30



TSUGARU!
WE'RE COMING FOR YOU!
DO YOU HEAR ME,
TSUGARU?!!

FASTER,
BARRY!

LEGION SCRAP, ANO!
THEY CAN'T BE FAR!
WE GOTTA' HURRY!

OLD SERPY GOT
US BEFORE...
BUT IF WE GET
THE DROP
ON HIM...

WE MIGHT GET HER AWAY!



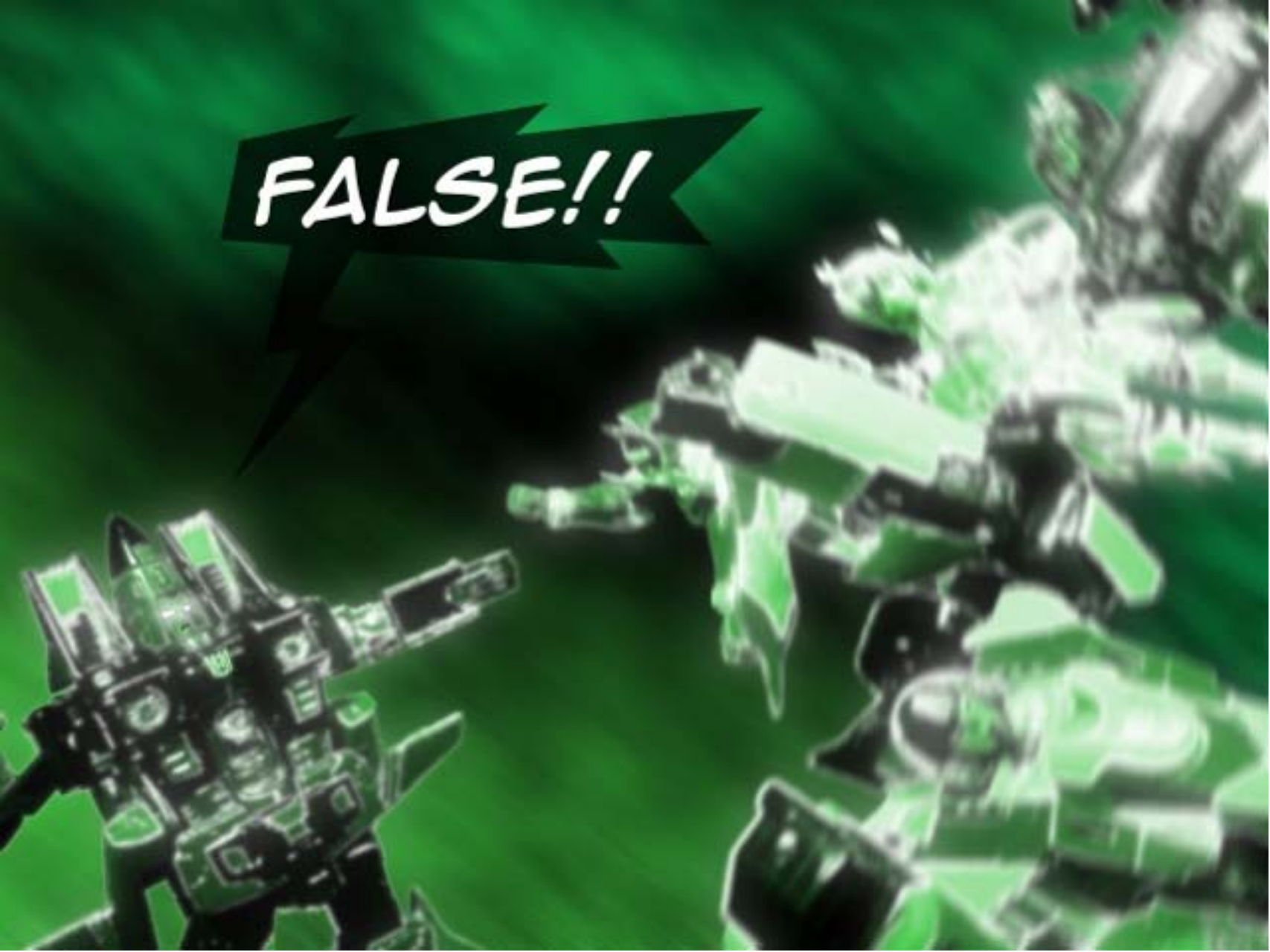
WHAT MANNER OF
SPEECH IS THIS?

MOONSCREAM TOLD
ME SHE NEVER MET
MY COMRADE, IN
ALL HER LIFE...

THEY HAVE
DECEIVED ME
IN ORDER TO
GET TO THE
ELVEN MAID!

WELL DID YOU
WARN ME,
COMRADE TRUE!

FALSE!!



A green, crystalline robot with a large, raised hand in a 'stop' gesture. The robot has a face with glowing red eyes and a small crest on its chest. The background is a dark, textured green.

*DEVILS IN
MORTAL
GUISE!*

*THE WHITE
SERPENT
SAID YOU
MIGHT
APPEAR!*


*YOUR LIES BETRAY
YOUR NATURE VILE!*

BY MY LADY GREEN,
THE DAUGHTER OF
THE THREE, THE
SEEKER OF NAMES...

⇒SHINK!⇐

YOU SHALL
NOT HAVE
TSUGARU!





**DON'T YOU GET IT?
SERPY IS A TRAITOR!**

**A TRAITOR TO YOUR KIND, DEMON?
NO VICE TO BETRAY AN EVIL CAUSE!**

LET ME AT HIM, BARRY!

**HOLD ON, CRAZY!
WE CAN HANDLE THIS
LIKE CIVILIZED PEOPLE.**

**MY GUN,
MS. A?**

**I THINK IT'S
AT THE BAR....**

OH, MY HEAD...

ALL RIGHT, YOU IDIOT! IF YOU MUST KNOW, WE DID FIGHT YOUR SERPENT.
AND WE WEREN'T ALIVE AT THE TIME. NOT REALLY...WE'RE...DEADER...NOW...

HA! WHATEVER LIE IS CONVENIENT AT THE TIME!
BUT DON'T WORRY, DEMON. TO MY MASTER I
WILL TAKE YOU, TO THE DAUGHTER OF THE THREE.
THE POWER IS HERS TO SEE THROUGH LIES.

YOU'RE TAKING US TO
SEE THE GREEN LADY?
THERE'S NO TIME!

THERE IS NEVER ANY TIME HERE.
THIS PLACE GOES AS IT MUST.
BUT YOUR RELUCTANCE TO GO
MAKES ME WONDER IF YOU
NEED EVEN DISTURB THE
DAUGHTER OF THE THREE...






THERE IT WAS, AGAIN...

DAUGHTER OF THREE.


WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
MY OWN DAUGHTER IS
DAUGHTER OF TWO.

I SUPPOSE A CLONE
COULD BE DAUGHTER
OF ONLY ONE...


BUT HOW CAN THERE
BE A DAUGHTER OF
THE THREE?



IT'S A MEANINGLESS TITLE, MS. A.
DON'T READ TOO MUCH INTO IT.



IT IS NOT MEANINGLESS!



LOOK, DEMONS, AND TREMBLE.
SEE THE MARK UPON MY BLADE.
IT IS THE MARK OF THE THREE.

FROM NO MOTHER, FROM NO
FATHER, HER LIFE AROSE,
MY LADY EVER GREEN...
SHE IS OF THE THREE.

THREE CRYSTALS. TRIPLE ORBS OF LIGHT.
LIKE STARS THEY SHINE WITHIN HER CHEST...
THE DAUGHTER OF THE THREE.

AND THIS THEY SIGNIFY...




SHINKI!

UH...

GESUNDHEIT?

SHINKI,
YOU IDIOT!




THREE CSC ORBS...YOUR GREEN LADY
WAS A SHINKI-TYPE ANDROID ONCE!
JUST LIKE TSUGURU!

AND OH SHIT.

JUST LIKE
TSUGURU.





-TO THE
FUTURE!

CHUG





TSUGARU!

SPFFT!

THE FUTURE!

**I'VE SEEN
THE FUTURE!**



**IT IS
THE PAST!**



DIRRGE!!

Daughter
of the three... more
alike than
you know.

Would you have
her trapped as
I am,


To hell you have
condemned her!

**I KNOW YOUR
LADY'S NAME!!**

**IT WAS TSUGARU, DIRGE!
HER NAME WAS TSUGARU!!**



T-TSLI-GARU-?



y-yes.

I accept.

GOOD...

VERY,
VERY
GOOD...

AND NOW...

CRUNCH!!!

Laugh

**YOUR
EYES.**









SO
NEAR.



⇒SNAP⇐





SO FELL A STAR...



*...THE LAST
IN THE SKY.*

THE END.




*DO YOU WEEP FOR
MY STORY?*

HOW SILLY! HOW WEAK!



*YOU SHOULD WEEP
FOR THE CHILDREN.*

THEIR TIME HAS COME.

A black and white screenshot from a video game. In the center, a character with a glowing, stylized mask and dark armor is shown from the chest up. To their right, a defeated enemy lies on the ground, wearing a white helmet with a visor. The background is dark and indistinct.

WITH ONE LAST
SACRIFICE
MY PUPPET
WILL PROVE
HER WORTH...

TSUGARU....?

BRING THE
CHILDREN OUT.

SLAY THEM
BEFORE OUR
NON-PLAYER.

THE WAY I
SHOWED YOU.

A dark, grainy image showing a person in a Santa suit holding a handgun. In the foreground, a person's head is visible, with a glowing red laser sight from the gun aimed at their forehead. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the red laser.

Slowly...

It's time for fun.
Come party with Santa!

The background is a dark, industrial or mechanical environment. On the left, a character in a dark suit with a glowing white visor is partially visible. In the upper center, there is a bright purple light source, possibly a gem or a sensor, which is the focus of the character's attention. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and high-tech.


Hmm...

Little
girl...

what are you
hiding behind
your back?
Let Santa see...

A small, dark, mechanical-looking character with two bright, glowing white eyes is positioned in the bottom left corner. A white speech bubble tail points from this character towards the right, where the main text of the block is located.

**HEY! I KNOW WHA'
SHE'S HI-ING!!
SAN'A! SAN'A!!!**



SCREAMY!!

PLEASE DON'
BE MAD, SAN'A...

I won't be mad...if you're good.

What's she
hiding?

I'..... IT'S.....



**IT'S A
BUTTON!!**

HEY!

ZZZZZZNNNN!!!





*I TOL' YOU,
GOBO'...*



I'M NO' A BABY.

<LOUD SOUNDS...
A FIGHT?>

⇒WHIRR<

<AND NOW
THE DOOR!>

<I NEED
TO HIDE...>

KA GA MI NE.



COVA' ME,
GOBOD'.
AN' STAY
BACK...

SAN'A MI'...
MI' NO' BE
D-DEAD...

**COVER YOU?
SCREAMY, ARE
YOU CRAZY?!!**

I'M SO SORRY,
SAN'A...FOR
EVER'FING...

SCREAMY!!!!

A black and white photograph of a LEGO Technic robot, possibly a custom build, with a glowing head. The robot is positioned in the center, with its arms and legs visible. The background is a dark, smoky or misty environment. The text is overlaid on the image in a stylized, bold font.

*YOU FILTHY
MAGGOTS!!*

*I WILL TEAR
YOU INTO
QUIVERING
SHREDS!*

*I WILL BURN
THE SHREDS
TO ASH, AND
FEED IT TO
MY LEGION!!*



⇒ZAMM!⇐



NOT IF I CAN HELP IT.



YOU CAN'T!!

KABLAAM!

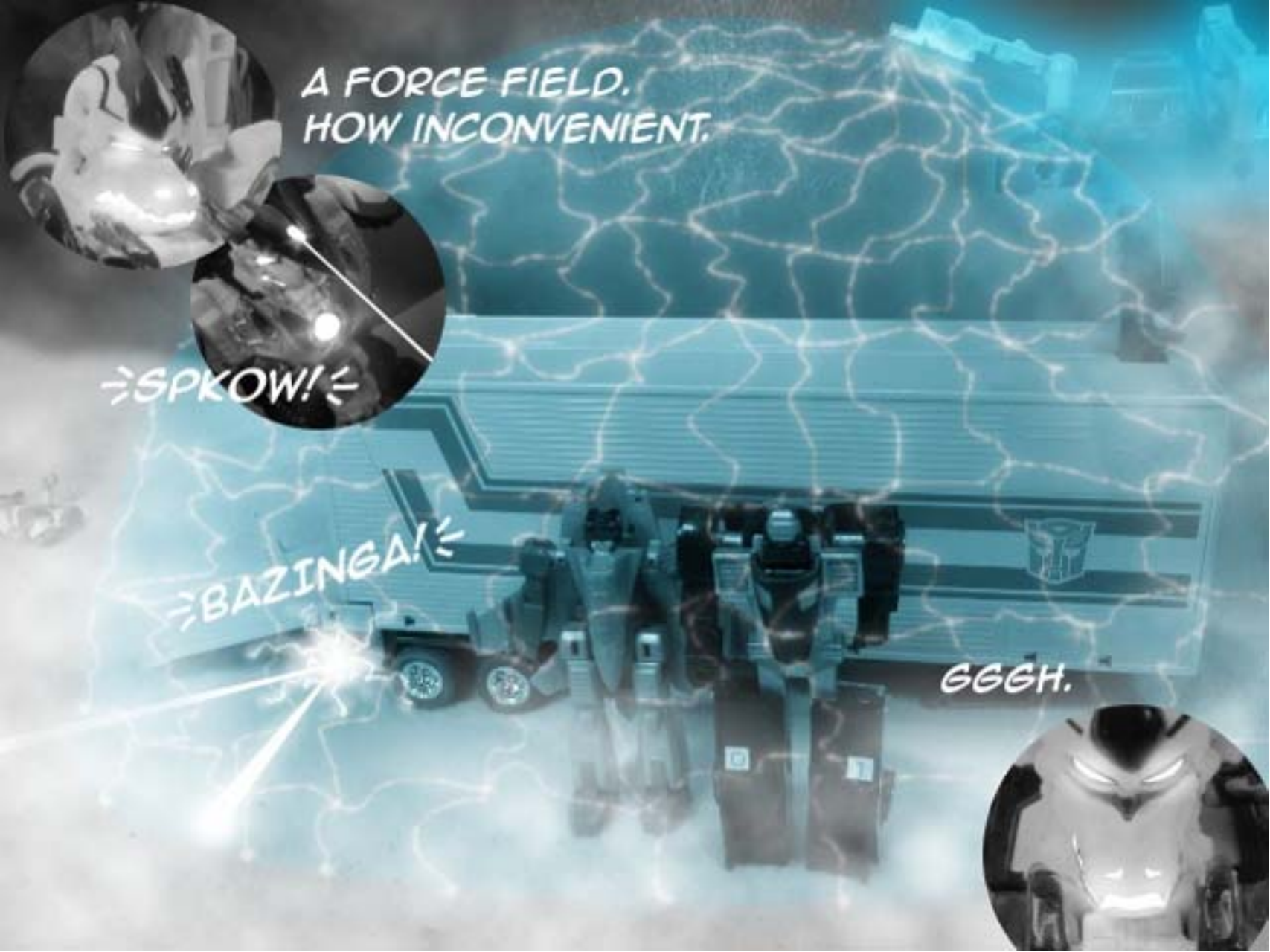
*...BUT, THANKS
FOR PLAYING.*



*YOUR TURN,
LARVAE--*



--WHAAAT?!!



A FORCE FIELD.
HOW INCONVENIENT.

⇒SPKOW!⇐

⇒BAZINGA!⇐

GGGH.

A close-up, black and white photograph of a complex mechanical device, possibly a robot's head or a piece of machinery. It features various pipes, valves, and a central glowing point of light. The overall aesthetic is industrial and futuristic.


*RRAGH! BUT...
FORCE FIELDS DISSIPATE.*

*FIVE MINUTES...TEN...
AND YOU BRATS WILL PAY...*

A blue mechanical arm, likely from a mecha, is shown in a dynamic pose. The arm's joints and the tip of its claw are glowing with a bright blue light. The background is dark and smoky, with some light effects suggesting movement or energy.

ZATSU WATO YUU SHINKU...


BAKA.



...BAKA?

TORIPLURU
BAKA!

WHO IS
THIS?



HU WANTSU
CHU NOO?


RIN! IS
THAT RIN?

READ ING FOR CON TAI NER.



PLAY
YOUR
GAMES,
LITTLE
GIRL.

PLAY
TIME
SOON
WILL
BE OVER.



ITO AINTO
OOBAA...

UNCHIRU DA
BOOKAROIDO
SHINGUZU!

