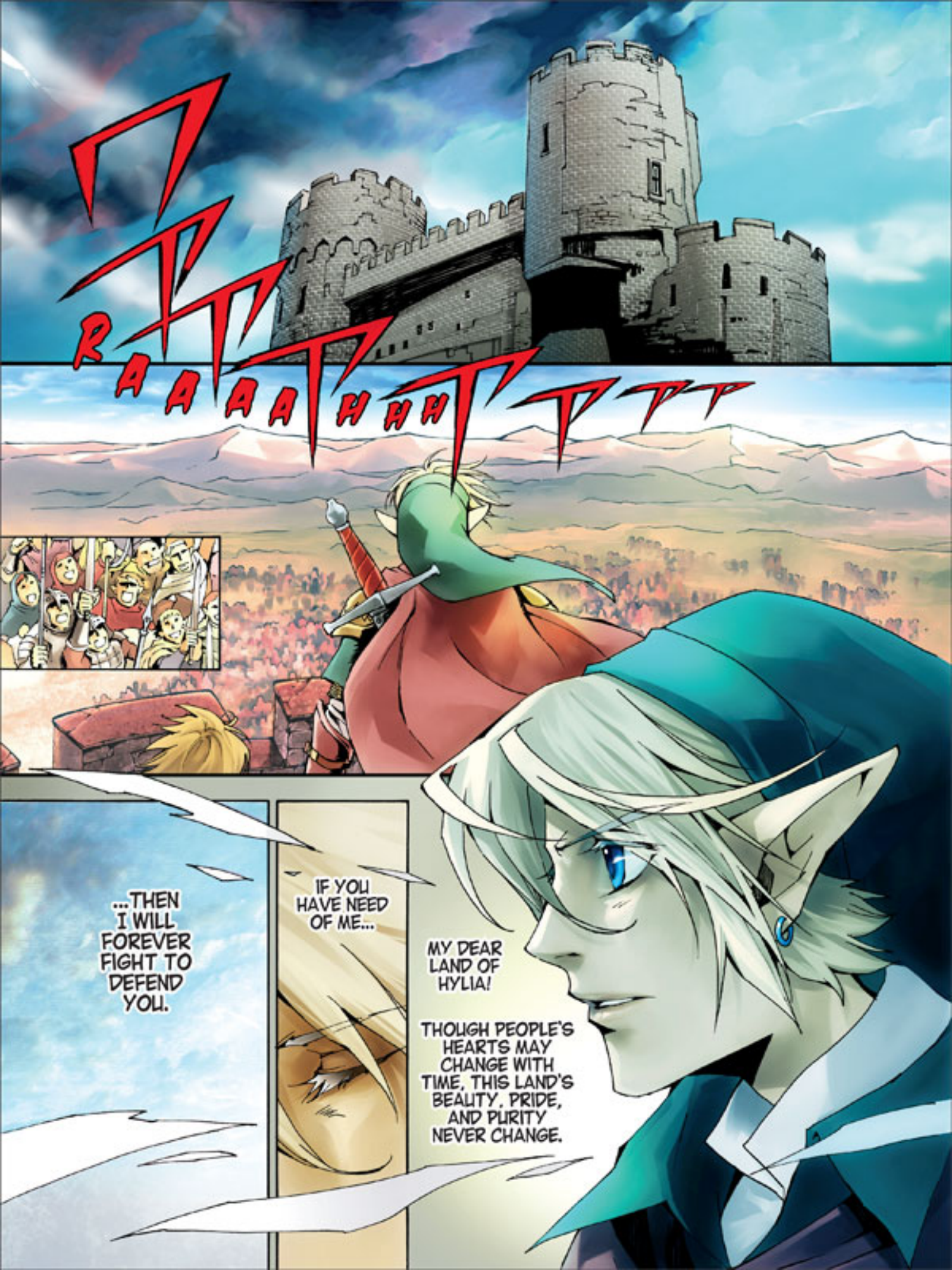


THE LEGEND OF
ZELDATM



HYRULE HISTORIA



RAA A A A H H H T T T



...THEN
I WILL
FOREVER
FIGHT TO
DEFEND
YOU.

IF YOU
HAVE NEED
OF ME...

MY DEAR
LAND OF
HYLIA!

THOUGH PEOPLE'S
HEARTS MAY
CHANGE WITH
TIME, THIS LAND'S
BEAUTY, PRIDE,
AND PURITY
NEVER CHANGE.





...THAT
I
WOULD
BE
ABLE
TO
SLEEP
IN
PEACE.

AND HERE
I HAD
THOUGHT...

BUT IF YOU
WISH TO
WAKE THE
LION...

...THEN
GIVE
HIM
FANGS!



WHAT'S MORE, MY SWORD IS BROKEN. I CAN'T EVEN RUN ANYMORE.

AND NOW THAT IT'S CONVENIENT FOR YOU, YOU WANT ME TO FIGHT?

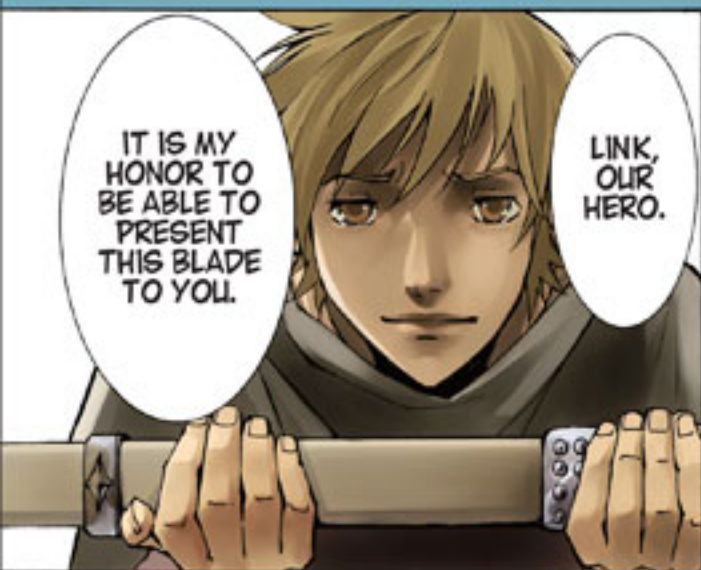
IT WAS YOU--MY OWN PEOPLE-- WHO SAID YOU HAD NO NEED FOR A POWERFUL HERO.



THE DEMON KING'S ARMY WILL SOON BE UPON US.

PLEASE COME OUT INTO THE LIGHT OF DAY.

LORD DAGIANIS-- THE MAN WHO FRAMED YOU-- HAS BEEN KILLED BY THE DEMON KING.



IT IS MY HONOR TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT THIS BLADE TO YOU.

LINK, OUR HERO.



ORVILLE HAS TENDED TO IT THESE PAST FOUR YEARS. YOUR WEAPON.



OUR LITTLE ...

...MIS- UNDERSTANDING HAS BEEN RESOLVED. YOUR PREMONITION OF DANGER WAS CORRECT. WE ALL UNDERSTAND THAT NOW.

YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN DRIVE OFF THE DEMON KING AND PROTECT HYLIA!



LINK...

LINK
THE
HERO.



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LINK

Design sketches
(traditional clothing)



Design sketches
(cowboy)



Design sketches



Zora tunic design sketches



Facial expressions

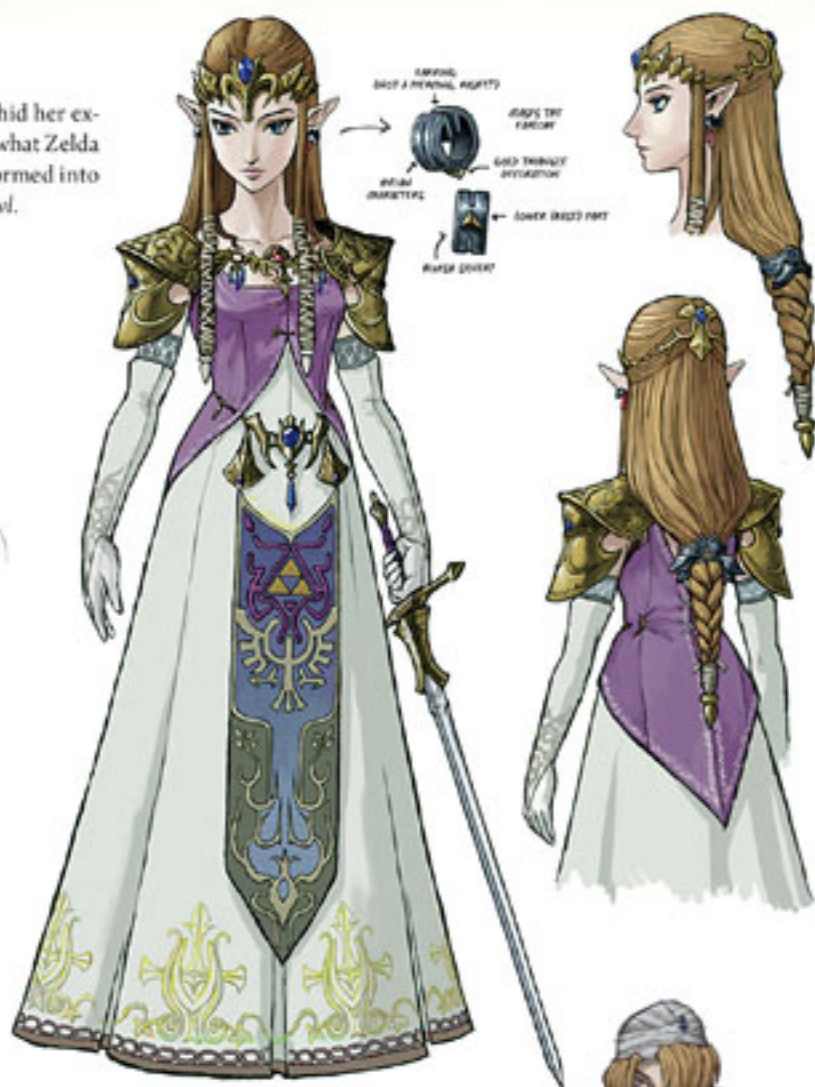


ZELDA

Zelda was originally depicted wearing a robe that hid her expression. The pictures at the bottom right represent what Zelda from *Twilight Princess* would look like if she transformed into Sheik. They were drawn for *Super Smash Bros. Brawl*.



Design sketches



Wearing a robe



Sheik



GANONDORF

Though he was banished to the twilight by the sages in *Ocarina of Time*, Ganon lives again. Though the timeline he inhabits differs from that of *The Wind Waker*, he is drawn to be around the same age as the Ganondorf in that game.



Ganondorf's horse



GANONDORF'S SWORD

Ganondorf's sword is the same blade that was used by the sages in his own execution. In a flashback scene, it is seen to pierce right through him.

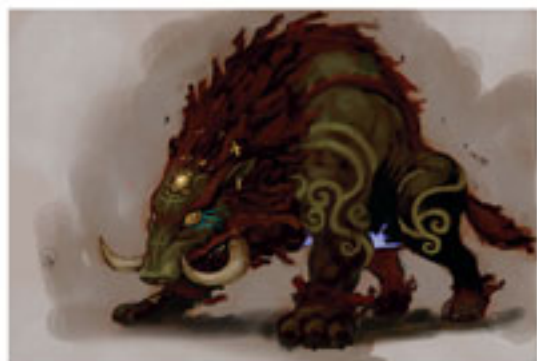


Design sketches

THE DEMONIC BEAST, GANON

The creature Ganondorf transforms into during the fight at Hyrule Castle. Perhaps the "Pig Ganon" caption on this piece of concept art was a nickname given to him by the staff?

Pig Ganon



oyama

GORON TRIBE

Gorons first appear in the game as an enemy. Because of this, the gentleness that they had in *Ocarina of Time* has disappeared, replaced by a severe expression.

BASIC GORON

EVERY GORON HAS A DESIGN PRINTED ON IT, SUCH AS THESE THREE LINES, WHICH CAN BE SEEN AS IT ROLLS



THE ROCK NEAR THE TOP OF ITS HEAD GRIMACES



← MOUTH

FOUR UPPER TEETH, TWO LOWER (JAWETS AND JAWEDEN HAVE THE SAME NUMBER OF TEETH, ELDER GORONS HAVE ONE)



ROLLED UP



COMBTOOTH

RAY OF HIS HAIR (FROM THE NOSE DOWN) IS HIDDEN AT THE ELBOW (?)

FROM BELOW

ROLLED UP



ROCK

BOTTOM

SIDE OF FOOT

ROCK

BOTTOM

GORON CHILD



ANOTHER VARIATIONS



BOTTOM

WINGING RAY OUT



← BACK

← EIGHTER

WISGER



GORON ELDER A

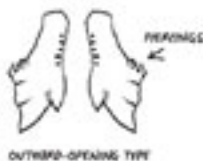
Design sketches

Goron Elder A's design was used for Gor Ebizo, one of the four Goron Elders.

ZORA TRIBE



MAKES A "PLOP" SOUND ON CONTACT



Zora spears



BITTING



RAVING DEATH MOUNTAIN



BATTLE MASKS

Masks worn by the Zora tribe during combat. Only the battle mask at the upper left appears in the game. I'm surprised that they went as far as designing a mask for use during rain prayers ...

RAVING ALONG THE RIVER



PRAYING FOR RAIN

EMPTY



Zora tribe sketches. It looks as though more realistic Zora designs were among the possibilities. Their inclusion in the game would have marked a drastic departure from their look in previous titles.

ITEMS



MASTER SWORD

ZELDA'S BOW

The weapon used by Zelda during the final battle with Ganondorf. Her arrows were created from transformed Light Spirits.



DOMINION ROD

Also known as the Rod of the Heavens. It causes statues to copy Link's movements, making the rod an unusual item.



HYLIAN SHIELD



ORDON SHIELD AND WOODEN SHIELD



