

# BRAINSTORM



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*"Brainstorm is one of those rare finds in comics"*

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BRAINSTORM **T+**

FOR TEENS/ADULTS AGES 13+  
CONTAINS ADULT LANGUAGE  
AND SITUATIONS, MILD VIOLENCE  
AND DEPICTIONS OF DISASTER



MORRIS  
LIVINGSTON  
CALERO



ISAACS' HOME  
MOORCROFT, WYOMING

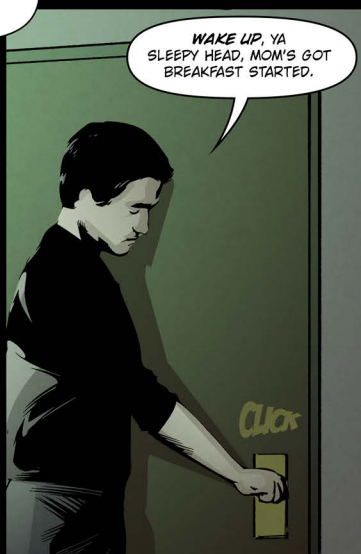


AS HURRICANE BRANDON MOVES  
ACROSS THE GULF OF MEXICO, IT  
LEAVES BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF  
DAMAGE ACROSS TEXAS, GEORGIA,  
ALABAMA AND MISSISSIPPI.

THIS STORM SHOWS NO  
SIGNS OF LETTING UP AS IT  
APPROACHES TEXAS, WITH  
SUSTAINING WINDS OF...



WAKE UP, YA  
SLEEPY HEAD, MOM'S GOT  
BREAKFAST STARTED.



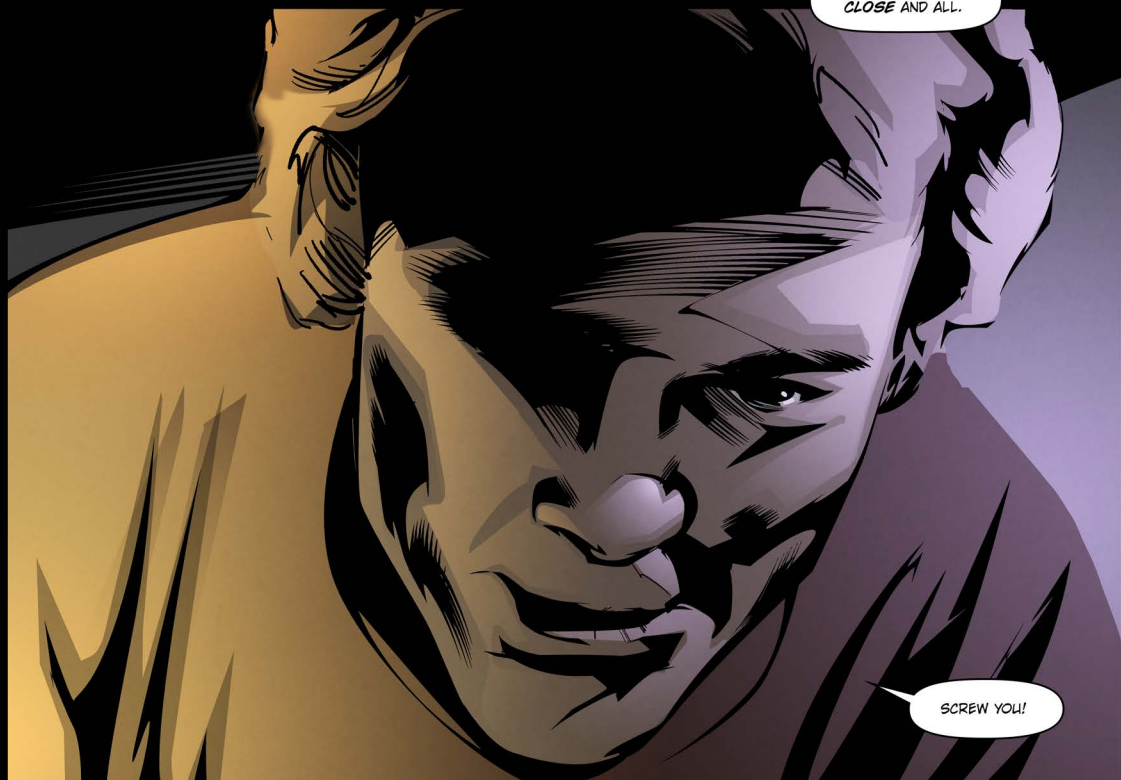
YOU EVER HEAR  
OF PRIVACY?



JUST CHECKING ON YOU  
AFTER YOUR *LITTLE TANTRUM*  
LAST NIGHT.

GIVE ME  
A BREAK.









THE PERIMETER EFFECTS OF BRANDON HAVE BEEN JUST AS DEVASTATING...

THE STORM APPEARS TO BE DRAINING MOISTURE FROM THE MAINLAND...

WHY DO WE NEED TO WATCH THIS CRAP?

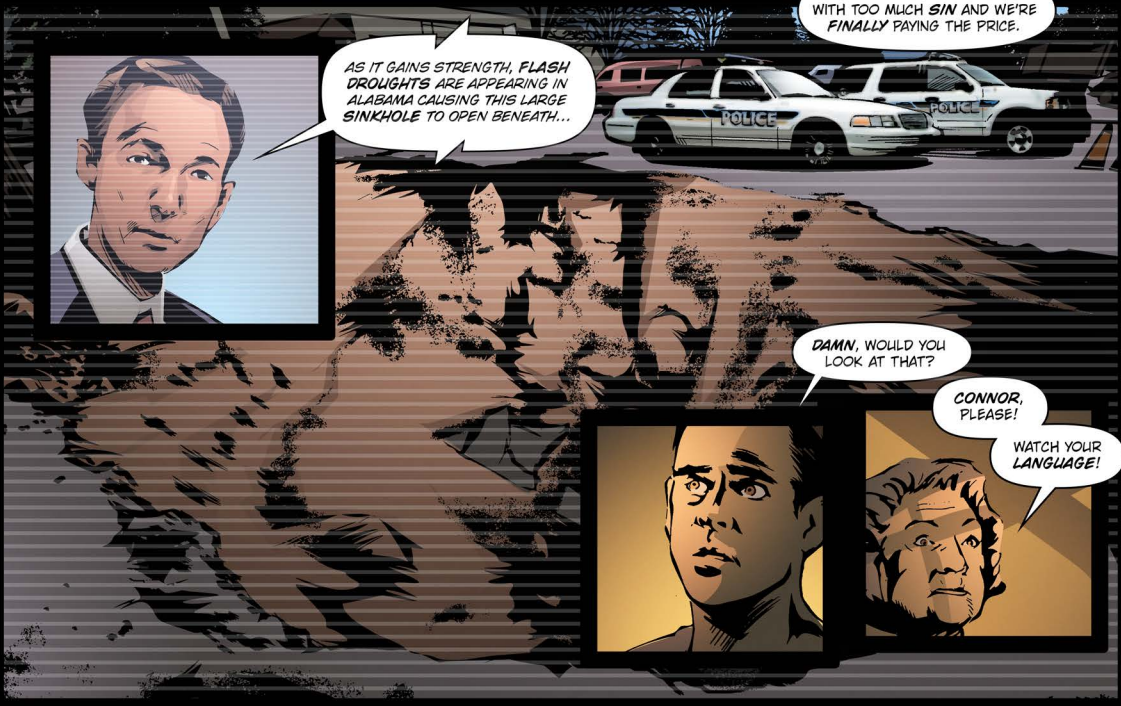
BECAUSE I, UNLIKE YOU, ACTUALLY CARE ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THIS COUNTRY!

GOD IS TRYING TO WAKE US UP.

SO THIS IS GOD'S FAULT?

HEAVENS NO!

OUR SOCIETY IS FILLED WITH TOO MUCH SIN AND WE'RE FINALLY PAYING THE PRICE.



AS IT GAINS STRENGTH, FLASH DROUGHTS ARE APPEARING IN ALABAMA CAUSING THIS LARGE SINKHOLE TO OPEN BENEATH...

DAMN, WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT?

CONNOR, PLEASE!

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE!



CALE, DO YOU REMEMBER CAROL? MRS. FREEMAN'S DAUGHTER?

SHE WORKS AT THE DINER.

YOU TWO ALWAYS GOT ALONG SO WELL!

I KNOW YOU'RE BUSY, BUT YOU NEED TO FIND A NICE GIRL AND SETTLE DOWN.

YOU AREN'T GETTING ANY YOUNGER!

NOT THIS AGAIN.

YEAH, MOM, I'M NOT SURE SHE'S HIS TYPE...

HER BROTHER ON THE OTHER HAND--





GOOD RIDDANCE! HE NEVER FIT IN HERE.

SUCH A SAD AND STRANGE YOUNG MAN!

I THINK IT'S *THIS TOWN* THAT'S SAD AND STRANGE.

FOLKS HERE WERE *RELIEVED* TO SEE HIM GO!

HE *ALWAYS* DRESSED AND ACTED SO *BIZARRE*.



HEAVY FLOODING IS HITTING THE GULF STATES AS HURRICANE BRANDON APPROACHES ANOTHER LANDFALL...

WE NOW GO LIVE TO THE WHITE HOUSE WHERE PRESIDENT AMANDA KELLER IS ABOUT TO ADDRESS THE NATION...



MY FELLOW AMERICANS, WE ARE ALL GRIEVING FOR THE LIVES THAT HAVE BEEN LOST IN THE GULF STATES.

I HAVE MOBILIZED FEMA...



OH LOOK!

THERE'S MADAME PRESIDENT.

I JUST LOVE HER!

SHE'S JUST AN ANGEL!

... PLEASE JOIN ME IN PRAYER FOR THOSE AMERICANS IN NEED.

SHE'S NOT MY PRESIDENT.

DON'T SAY *THAT*!

YOU BETTER *HOP*E SHE REPEALS ALL THOSE *SINFUL* NEW LAWS BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!



THE PENTAGON  
ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

SIR... THEY ARE WAITING IN  
THE CONFERENCE ROOM.

THANK YOU.

PEOPLE, WE NEED TO  
**DISPERSE** THIS STORM  
BEFORE IT DOES ANY  
MORE **DAMAGE**.

WHERE IS  
DR. ISAACS?

WE'RE TRACKING HIM DOWN.

**BUT** IT'S POSSIBLE HE AND  
HIS TEAM WERE **KILLED** WHEN  
BRANDON HIT MIAMI.

THE STORM IS OVER  
650 MILES WIDE.

EACH HOUR ITS OVERALL  
DIAMETER INCREASES 25 TO 50  
MILES. CYCLONIC ROTATION IS  
INCREASING AS WELL.

NOT A SURPRISE. THE NANOMACHINES  
ARE SELF-REPLICATING AND EXPANDING  
**EXPONENTIALLY** BY THE MINUTE.

GET **SOMEONE** IN  
THERE TO ASSESS  
THE SITUATION!

I CAN **DEPLOY** THE  
VORTEX FORCE.

HERMES SQUADRON  
IS IN **OKLAHOMA**.

YES, GET THEM **INSIDE**  
THE EYE-WALL!

LET'S USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO  
TEST THE **DESSICATION TECH**.

IT'S A POLYMER DESIGNED TO  
ABSORB WATER AT **HUGE SCALES** --  
TURNING INTO A GELATIN THAT DISSOLVES  
WITHIN SEAWATER.

THAT PROJECT WAS  
**SCUTTLED** BACK IN '06.  
BUT, RIGHT NOW, **ANY** IDEA  
IS A GOOD ONE.

BEAR IN MIND, GENERAL, WE  
**DO** HAVE **LARGER PROTOCOLS**  
IN PLACE TO DEAL WITH--

I DON'T EVEN WANT TO **THINK**  
ABOUT THOSE OPTIONS YET!

IN THE **MEANTIME**, WE'LL KEEP  
ATTEMPTING TO **REGAIN CONTROL** OF  
THE ZEPHYR NEURAL NETWORK.

THANK YOU, EVERYONE, WE'LL  
**IMMEDIATELY** INITIATE YOUR  
SUGGESTIONS.

VANCE AIR FORCE BASE - ENID, OKLAHOMA  
2 HOURS LATER

HERMES PILOTS TO YOUR PLANES! THIS IS NOT A DRILL. HERMES PILOTS TO YOUR PLANES! REPEAT, THIS IS NOT A DRILL.

WEEEEE WEEEEE

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FINALLY THESE BABIES GET TO SEE SOME REAL ACTION!

POLYMER IS LOADED AND READY.

YOU REALLY THINK WE CAN STOP A HURRICANE?

I GUESS WE'RE ABOUT TO FIND OUT!

HERMES SQUADRON, YOU ARE CLEARED FOR LAUNCH.

SHOOOHS

WHEELS ARE UP.

EXCELLENT!



SOUTH OF ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA

WE'RE *ALMOST* TO THE TEXAS BORDER, MARV. THE WINDS ARE *SERIOUSLY* PICKING UP.

WE'RE GONNA GET *BLOWN OFF THE ROAD!*

WHY THE HELL ARE WE STORM-CHASING IN A *WINNEBAGO* ANYWAY?

YOU'RE *RIGHT*, MERL... WE'VE GOT THE AERODYNAMICS OF A *BRICK!*

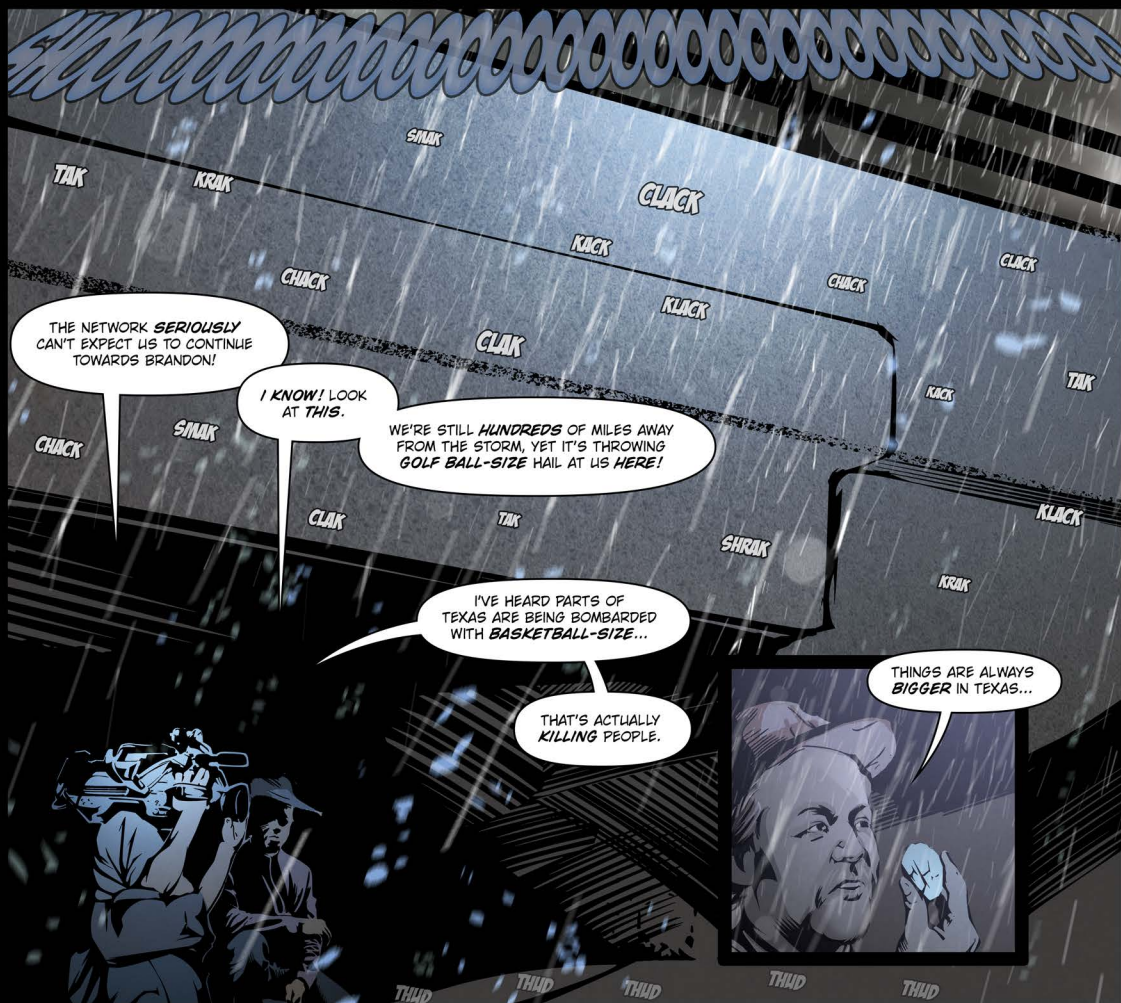


OKAY, THAT'S IT! WE GOTTA FIND SHELTER...

GET US OUT OF THIS!



I THINK WE CAN MAKE THE UNDERPASS.



THE NETWORK *SERIOUSLY* CAN'T EXPECT US TO CONTINUE TOWARDS BRANDON!

I KNOW! LOOK AT *THIS*.

WE'RE STILL *HUNDREDS* OF MILES AWAY FROM THE STORM, YET IT'S THROWING *GOLF BALL-SIZE* HAIL AT US *HERE!*

I'VE HEARD PARTS OF TEXAS ARE BEING BOMBARDED WITH *BASKETBALL-SIZE*...

THAT'S ACTUALLY *KILLING* PEOPLE.

THINGS ARE ALWAYS *BIGGER* IN TEXAS...