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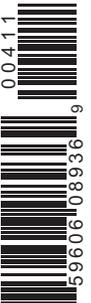
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the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



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PETER PARKER was bitten by a radioactive spider and gained the proportional speed, strength and agility of a SPIDER, adhesive fingertips and toes, and the unique precognitive awareness of danger called "SPIDER-SENSE"! After the tragic death of his Uncle Ben, Peter understood that with great power there must also come great responsibility. He became the crimefighting super hero called...

The Amazing

SPIDER-MAN

BACK TO BASICS *Part Four*

Remember that radioactive spider we mentioned? At the top of this page? Well, the Isotope Genome Accelerator made it that way. And Peter just got caught in an experiment designed to reverse engineer its capabilities, and was split in two! One mild-mannered civilian, Peter, and one fast-talking super hero, Spider-Man! Initially, both were excited--Peter could have a normal life without endangering his loved ones, and Spider-Man could fight and tame the Tri-Sentinel (for example). But Dr. Connors--the experiment's designer--and Peter have come to realize the Isotope Genome Accelerator divides personality traits as well as physical attributes. Who is Peter Parker without his wit or love of science? And more importantly, who is Spider-Man without his sense of responsibility?

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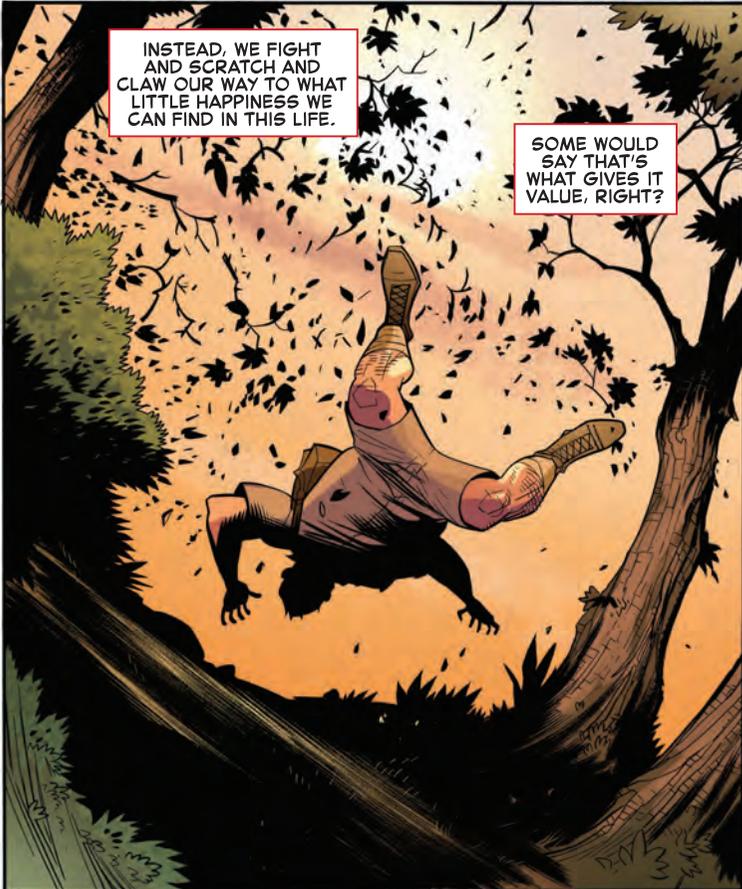


WE ALL STRUGGLE.



IT'S JUST THE NATURE OF THE HUMAN CONDITION, I GUESS.

NOTHING EVER COMES EASILY.



INSTEAD, WE FIGHT AND SCRATCH AND CLAW OUR WAY TO WHAT LITTLE HAPPINESS WE CAN FIND IN THIS LIFE.

SOME WOULD SAY THAT'S WHAT GIVES IT VALUE, RIGHT?



MAKES US APPRECIATE WHAT WE HAVE.

BUT THEN AGAIN--



--WE DON'T ALL GET WHAT WE WANT.

AN ASTONISHING SIGHT IN LOWER MANHATTAN TODAY, AS SPIDER-MAN MANAGED TO COMMANDEER A TRI-SENTINEL THAT HAD BEEN ATTACKING THE CITY--

NO!



LIKE *THIS* GUY, YEAH? CLEARLY DISSATISFIED.

NO, NO, NO, NO, NO--

--THIS WASN'T SUPPOSED TO HAPPEN--NOT NOW!

NOT THIS TIME!



OSBORN WAS FINALLY OUT OF THE PICTURE-- THIS WAS MY MOMENT... MY CHANCE FOR GREATER THINGS...

WHERE IS IT, DAMN YOU?!



AHH... HERE WE ARE, THEN--

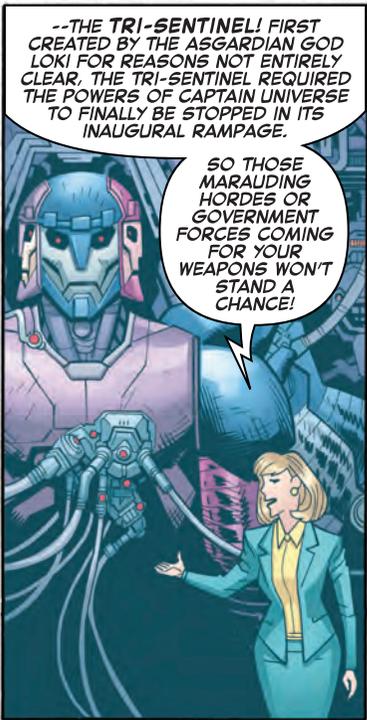


--PERHAPS THIS WILL HOLD THE ANSWERS WE SEEK...



WELCOME, LIFE FOUNDATION MEMBER! IF YOU'RE WATCHING THIS, IT MEANS THE GLOBAL ECONOMY HAS ALREADY COLLAPSED. LUCKY YOU!

AS AN ENROLLEE IN OUR ILLUMINATI-PLUS REWARDS PROGRAM, YOU'RE NOW FULLY ENTITLED TO THE BEST IN SECURITY TO PROTECT YOUR SURVIVOR HAREMS, FOOD STOCKPILES, AND EMERGENCY SHORTWAVE RADIO SYSTEMS. WE GIVE YOU--



--THE TRI-SENTINEL! FIRST CREATED BY THE ASGARDIAN GOD LOKI FOR REASONS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR, THE TRI-SENTINEL REQUIRED THE POWERS OF CAPTAIN UNIVERSE TO FINALLY BE STOPPED IN ITS INAUGURAL RAMPAGE.

SO THOSE MARAUDING HORDES OR GOVERNMENT FORCES COMING FOR YOUR WEAPONS WON'T STAND A CHANCE!



WE KNOW YOU'VE GOT A LOT OF QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR NEW GENOCIDAL ROBOT FRIEND.

LIKE, WHAT KIND OF FUEL DOES HE USE?

CAN I COMMUNICATE WITH HIM NOW THAT I'M THE ONLY LIVING ORGANISM LEFT ON THE PLANET?

OR IS IT OKAY TO FEED HIM AFTER MIDNIGHT?

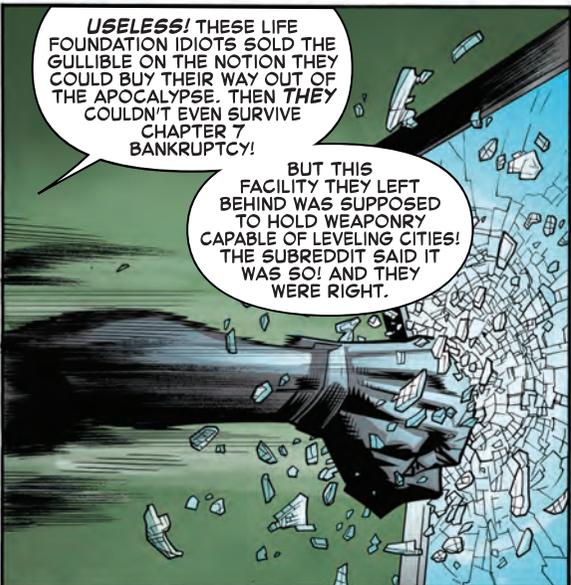
ON THIS CUTTING-EDGE CD-ROM TECHNOLOGY, WE'VE INCLUDED THE ANSWERS.

SO LET'S GET-- **BLOOM**



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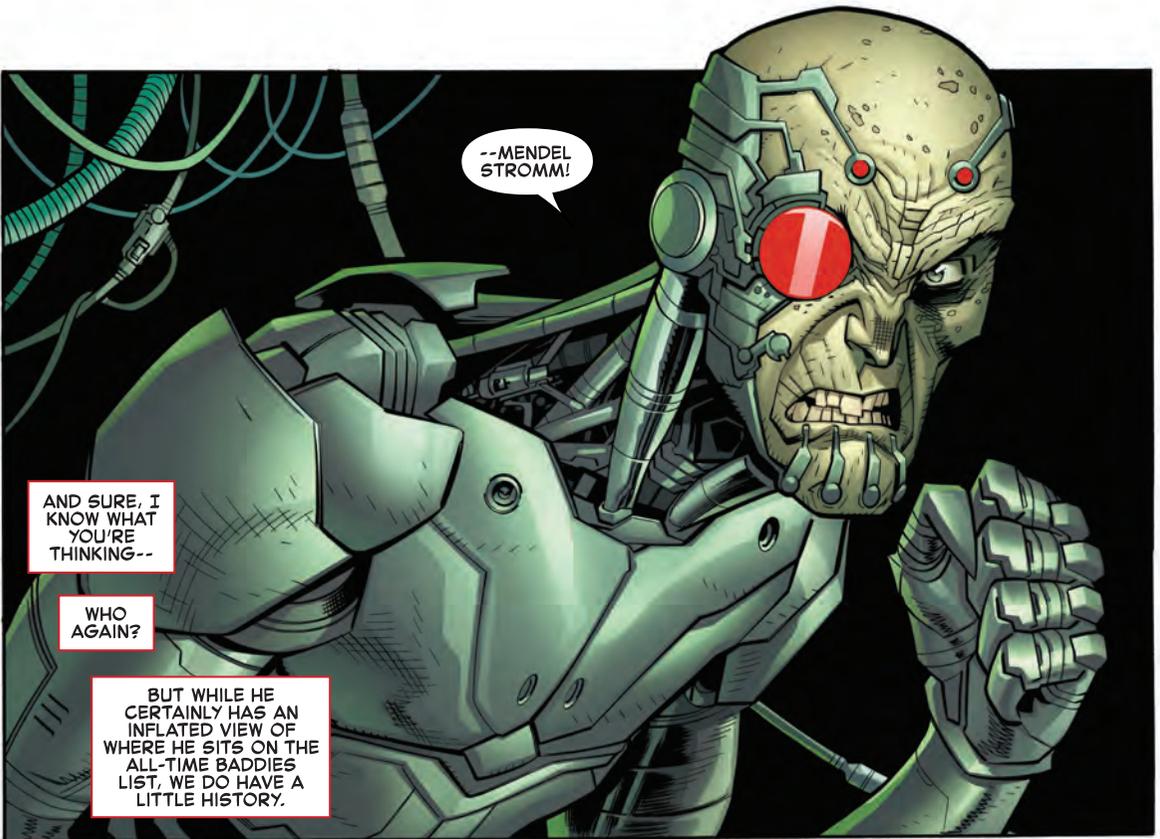
USELESS! THESE LIFE FOUNDATION IDIOTS SOLD THE GULLIBLE ON THE NOTION THEY COULD BUY THEIR WAY OUT OF THE APOCALYPSE. THEN THEY COULDN'T EVEN SURVIVE CHAPTER 7 BANKRUPTCY!

BUT THIS FACILITY THEY LEFT BEHIND WAS SUPPOSED TO HOLD WEAPONRY CAPABLE OF LEVELING CITIES! THE SUBREDDIT SAID IT WAS SO! AND THEY WERE RIGHT.



BUT NOW HE'S STOLEN IT! THAT ACCURSED SPIDER-MAN STOLE MY TRI-SENTINEL!

NOW HE'LL FACE THE WRATH OF HIS OLDEST, MOST FEARED ARCHENEMY! THE MAN WHO HAS TORMENTED HIM THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE AND TAKEN SO MUCH FROM HIM--



--MENDEL STROMM!

AND SURE, I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING--

WHO AGAIN?

BUT WHILE HE CERTAINLY HAS AN INFLATED VIEW OF WHERE HE SITS ON THE ALL-TIME BADDIES LIST, WE DO HAVE A LITTLE HISTORY.



HE WAS NORMAN OSBORN'S PARTNER, AND EVEN CREATED THE GOBLIN SERUM!

BUT THEN HE AND OSBORN HAD A FALLING OUT (IMAGINE THAT), WHICH LED TO HIS IMPRISONMENT AND, EVENTUALLY, HIS DEATH.

HE KEEPS COMING BACK, THOUGH, EACH TIME WITH A CODENAME AND COSTUME THAT'S A LITTLE MORE TRY-HARD THAN THE LAST.



WE ALL GOTTA MAKE A LIVING, I GUESS.

OUR NEXT PIECE FOR SALE IS TITLED "SUMMERTIME ON WUNDAGORE MOUNTAIN."

SHALL WE START THE BIDDING AT \$25,000?

OR--



--HOW ABOUT WE START AT "THE LOOTER AND HIS BOYS DON'T KILL ALL OF US IF WE GIVE IT TO HIM"? HOW'S THAT SOUND?

GOING ONCE, GOING TWICE--



SOLD!