

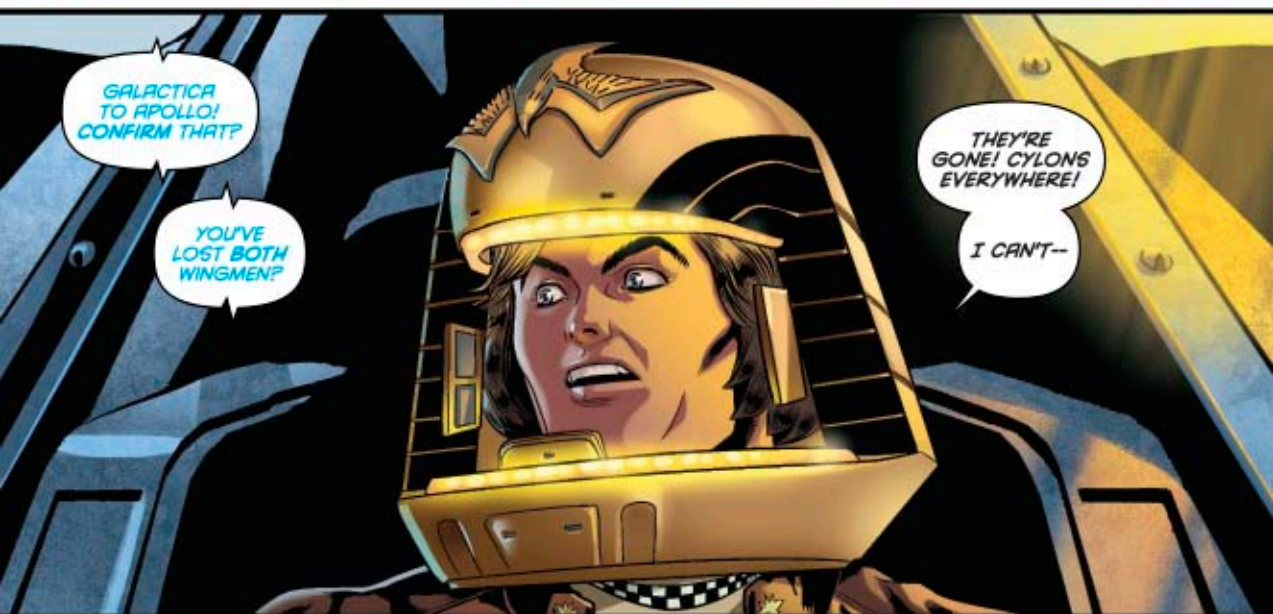


GALACTICA!
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--APOLLO!
RESPOND!

CYLON
AMBUSH!
THEY'RE ALL
OVER ME!

LOST
ZUREL AND
NEATS!



GALACTICA
TO APOLLO!
CONFIRM THAT?

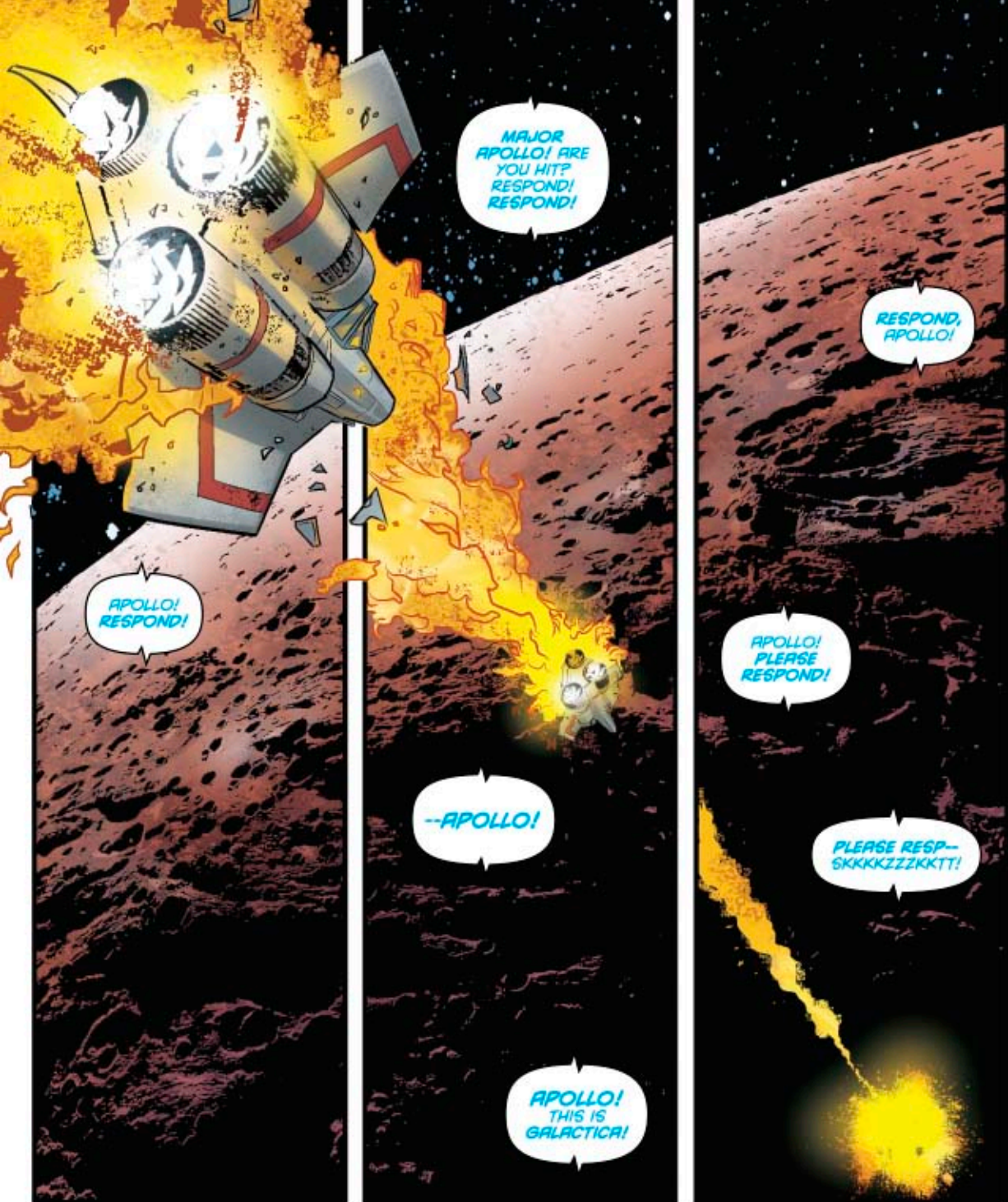
YOU'VE
LOST BOTH
WINGMEN?

THEY'RE
GONE! CYLONS
EVERYWHERE!

I CAN'T--



--UGHNNK!



THE DEATH OF APOLLO

PART ONE

THREE DAYS EARLIER...

CITIZENS
OF THE FLEET. THIS
IS **COMMANDER
ADAMA**.

**TEN
YAHRENS AGO,**
AT THIS HOUR,
OUR JOURNEY
BEGAN.

I ADDRESS
YOU TODAY SO THAT
WE MAY ALL SHARE A
MOMENT TO REFLECT,
**TOGETHER, ON THAT
ACHIEVEMENT.**

BECAUSE IT **IS**
AN ACHIEVEMENT.

OUR JOURNEY
BEGAN IN THE FIRES
OF THE **CYLON
TREACHERY.**

OUR COLONIES
WERE DESTROYED.
OUR CIVILIZATION
ANNIHILATED.

WE FEW, **PITIFULLY FEW,**
SURVIVORS ESCAPED.
WE HAD LOST VIRTUALLY
EVERYTHING THAT
MADE US OURSELVES.



BUT WE HAVE
ENDURED.

OUR RAG-TAG
FLEET, THE ONLY HOME
WE NOW KNOW, HAS
SUSTAINED ITSELF IN
OUR LONG QUEST.



THE LAST
BATTLESTAR HAS
WATCHED OVER
US, OUR *ONLY*
DEFENDER.

OUR COLONIAL
WARRIORS AND
VIPER SQUADRONS
HAVE DISPLAYED
UNFLINCHING
COURAGE AND
CEASELESS
VIGILANCE.

WE HAVE *NEVER*
STOPPED FIGHTING.
WE HAVE *NEVER*
STOPPED MOVING. WE
HAVE *NEVER* STOPPED
SEARCHING.



IT IS OVER TWO
YAHRENS SINCE
OUR LAST CONTACT
WITH THE CYLON
MENACE.

SOME SAY
THEY HAVE FINALLY
GIVEN UP HUNTING
FOR US. I SAY...THEY
ARE ALWAYS OUT
THERE.

DAMN
STRAIGHT,
GRANDPA.

WHEN I PASS
MY WARRIOR
EXAM, THERE HAD
BETTER *STILL* BE
SOME CLANKIES
TO FIGHT.

RIGHT,
MUFFIT?



BUT WE
HAVE COURAGE
AND WE HAVE
FORTITUDE. IT NO
LONGER NEEDS
PROVING.

EACH
ONE OF YOU HAS
DISPLAYED IT,
EVERY DAY FOR
TEN YAHRENS.



ON THIS DAY, I
MAKE YOU THE SAME
PLEDGE I MADE TEN
YAHRENS AGO.

WE WILL FIND
THE THIRTEENTH
COLONY. WE WILL
FIND EARTH.

AND WITH IT,
WE WILL FIND
A HOME. WE
WILL FIND OUR
DESTINY.

WE
WILL FIND
PEACE.



THAT...THAT IS
WHAT I WANTED
TO SAY.

WE HAVE ENDURED.
WE WILL ENDURE.
AND WE WILL FIND
SALVATION.

ADAMA
OUT.

WHOO-HOO!

YAAAY!



A ROUSING
TRIBUTE,
COMMANDER.

THANK YOU,
COLONEL.

ASSEMBLE
THE SECTION
LEADERS FOR
A BRIEFING
IN FIVE.