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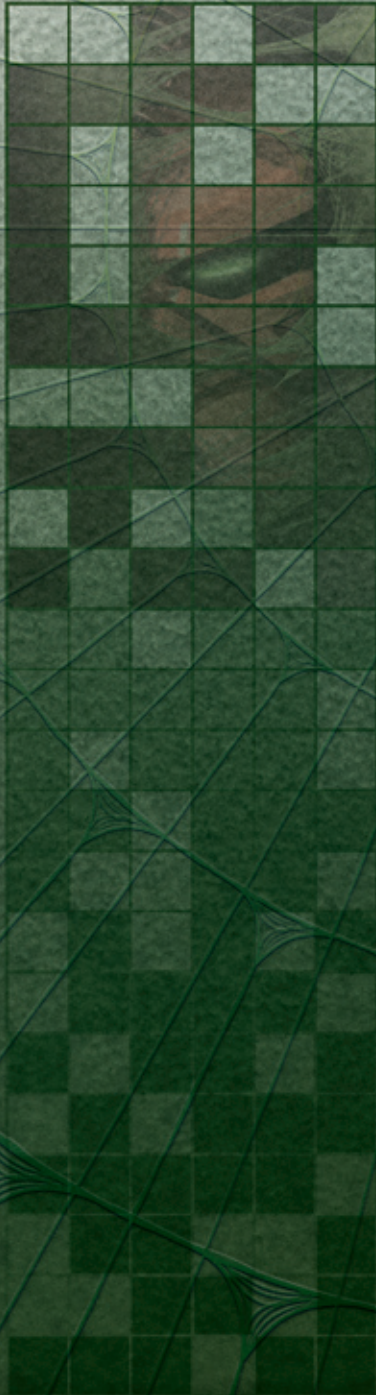
### VENGEANCE OF THE VISORAH



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Transformed into bestial versions of themselves by the venom of the Visorak, the Toa Hordika are now discovering the true extent of their peril. Visorak run rampant throughout the ruins of Metru Nui, hunting anything that moves and imprisoning living creatures in their web cocoons. The Coliseum has become the new headquarters for Sidorak, the Visorak king, and his sinister viceroy, Roodaka. Protected by the hordes, it has become an impregnable fortress — one that hides the sleeping Matoran.

Aided by the Rahaga, the Toa Hordika begin to hatch their plans to save the Matoran and escape to the island of Mata Nui. But the transformation has affected more than just their bodies, and the Rahaga can only watch fearfully as the Toa's dark sides grow in strength.

The worst enemies of the Toa Hordika may be ... themselves.

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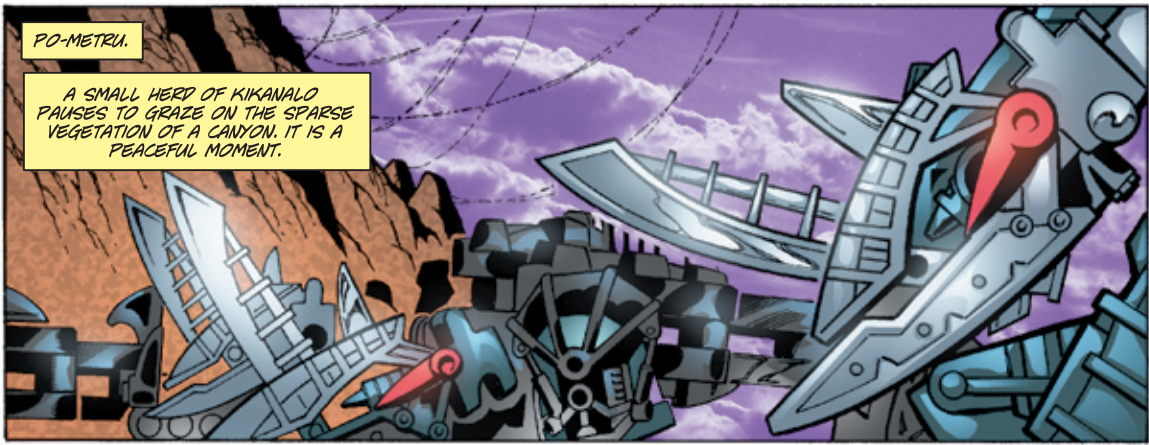
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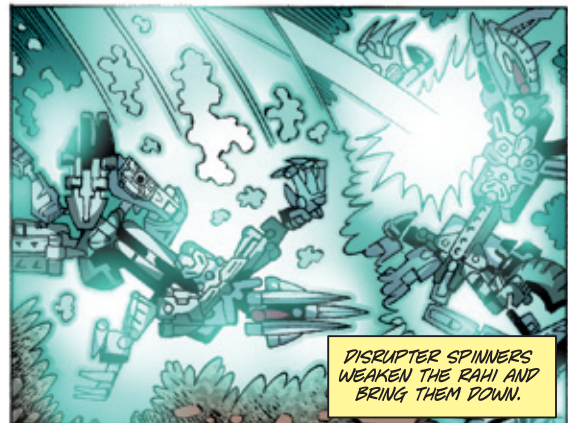


PO-METRU.

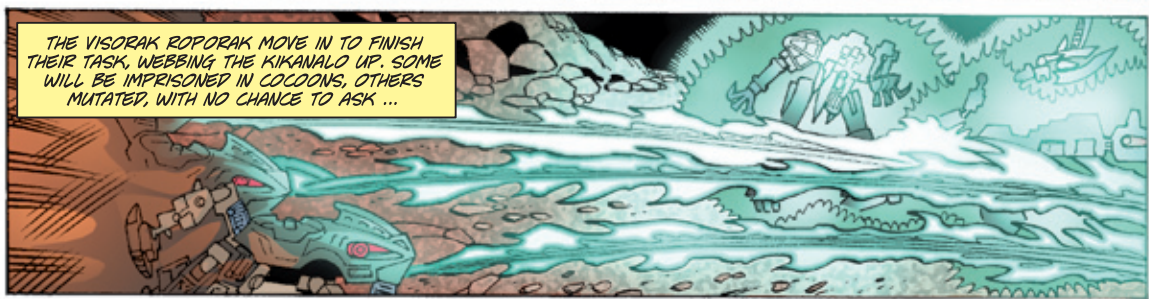
A SMALL HERD OF KIKANALO PAUSES TO GRAZE ON THE SPARSE VEGETATION OF A CANYON. IT IS A PEACEFUL MOMENT.



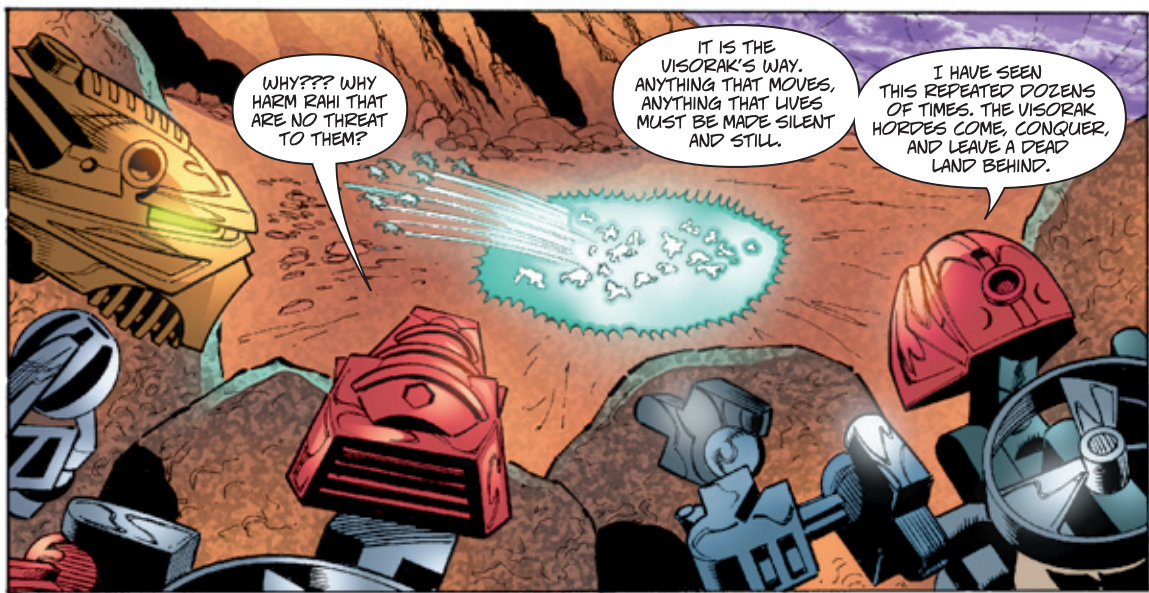
ONE THAT CAN'T LAST.



DISRUPTER SPINNERS WEAKEN THE RAHI AND BRING THEM DOWN.



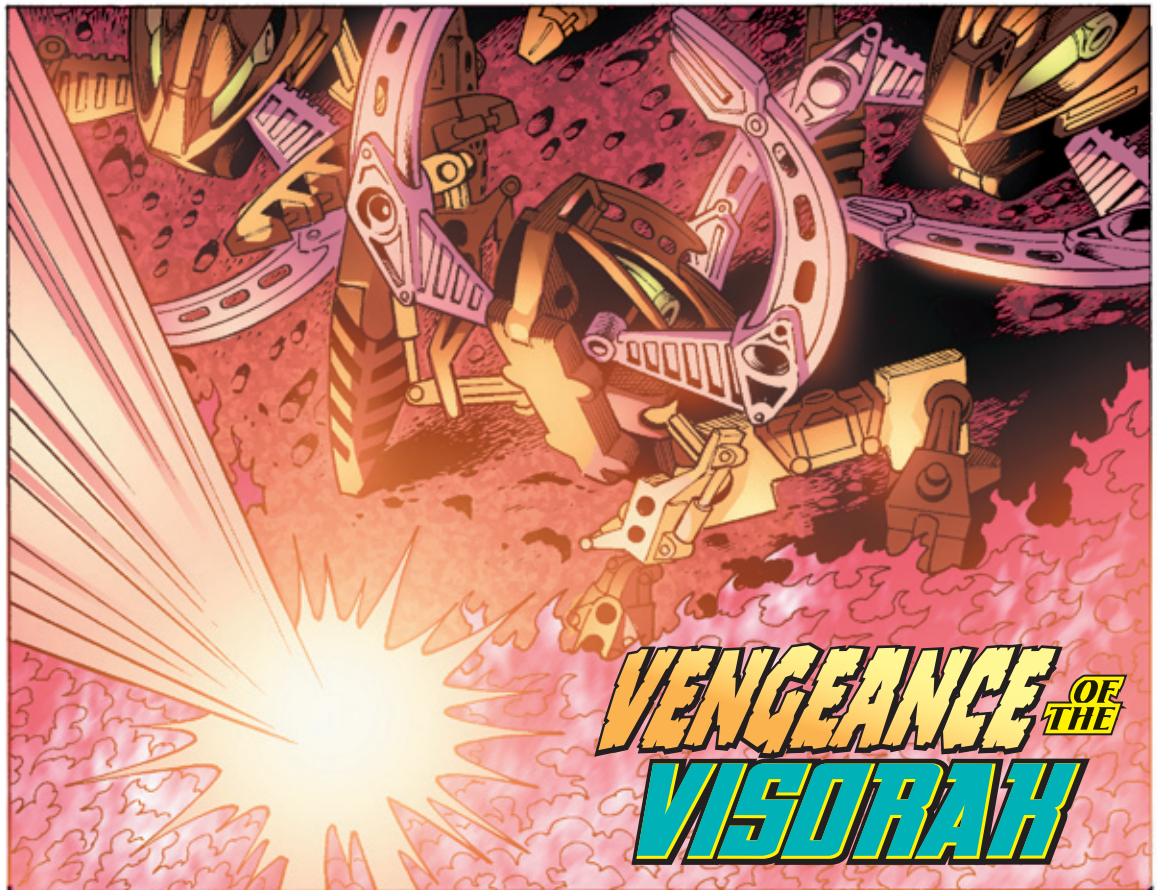
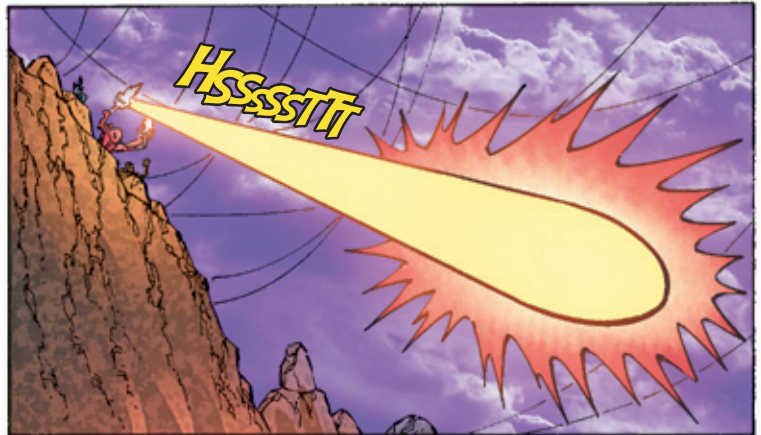
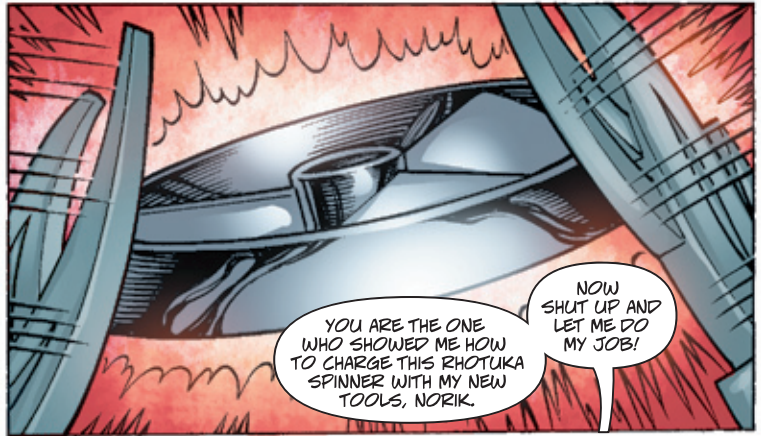
THE VISORAK ROPORAK MOVE IN TO FINISH THEIR TASK, WEBBING THE KIKANALO UP. SOME WILL BE IMPRISONED IN COCOONS, OTHERS MUTATED, WITH NO CHANCE TO ASK ...

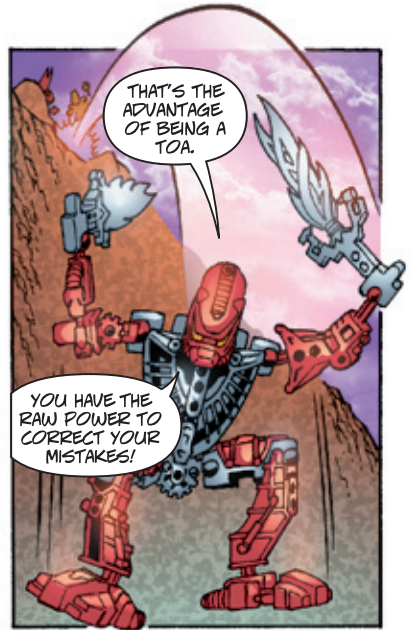


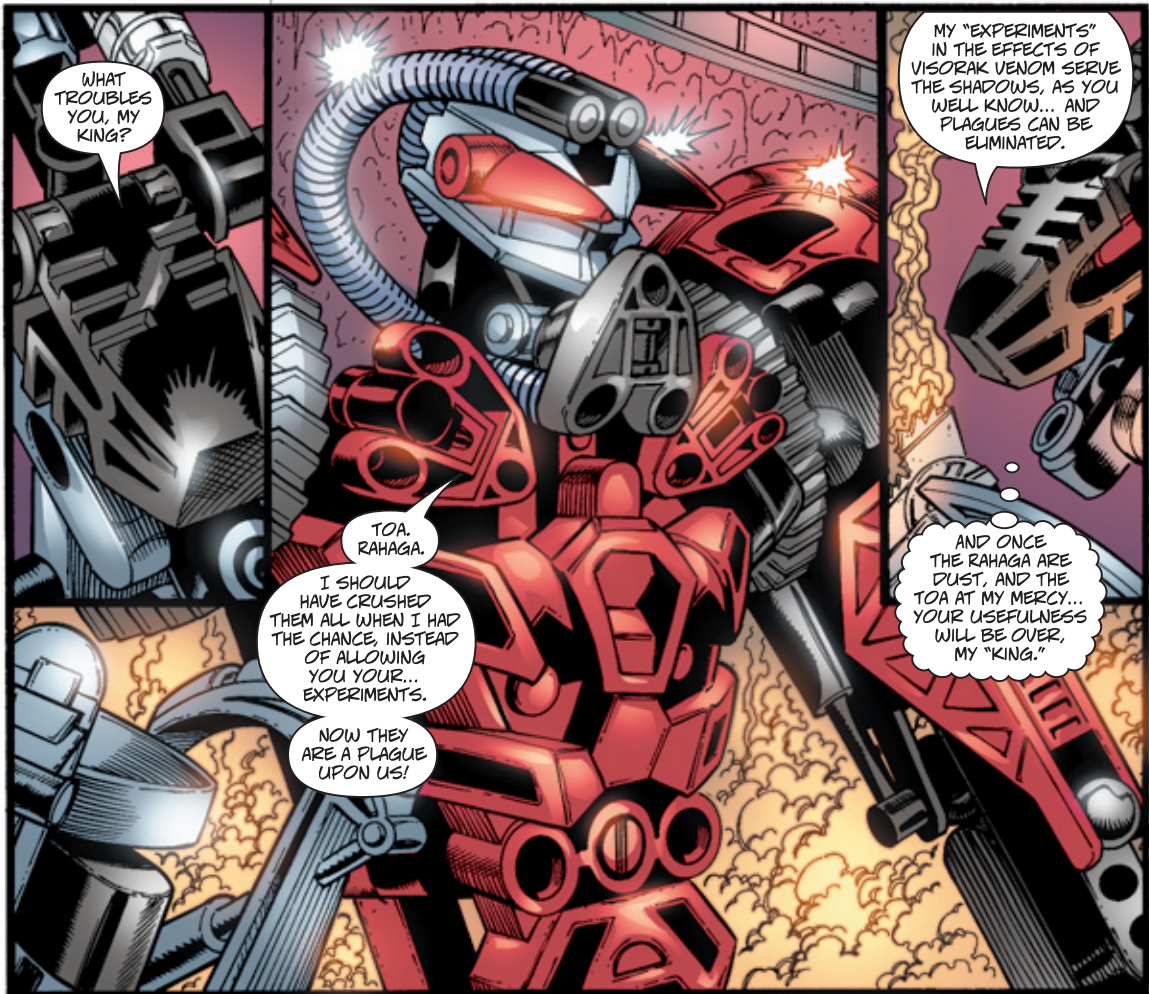
WHY??? WHY HARM RAHI THAT ARE NO THREAT TO THEM?

IT IS THE VISORAK'S WAY. ANYTHING THAT MOVES, ANYTHING THAT LIVES MUST BE MADE SILENT AND STILL.

I HAVE SEEN THIS REPEATED DOZENS OF TIMES. THE VISORAK HORDES COME, CONQUER, AND LEAVE A DEAD LAND BEHIND.







WHAT TROUBLES YOU, MY KING?

MY "EXPERIMENTS" IN THE EFFECTS OF VISORAK VENOM SERVE THE SHADOWS, AS YOU WELL KNOW... AND PLAGUES CAN BE ELIMINATED.

TOA. RAHAGA.

I SHOULD HAVE CRUSHED THEM ALL WHEN I HAD THE CHANCE, INSTEAD OF ALLOWING YOU YOUR... EXPERIMENTS.

NOW THEY ARE A PLAGUE UPON US!

AND ONCE THE RAHAGA ARE DUST, AND THE TOA AT MY MERCY... YOUR USEFULNESS WILL BE OVER, MY "KING."



YOU'RE HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS, MATAU.

AND THIRD. AND FOURTH. THANKS FOR SPOT-NOTICING.



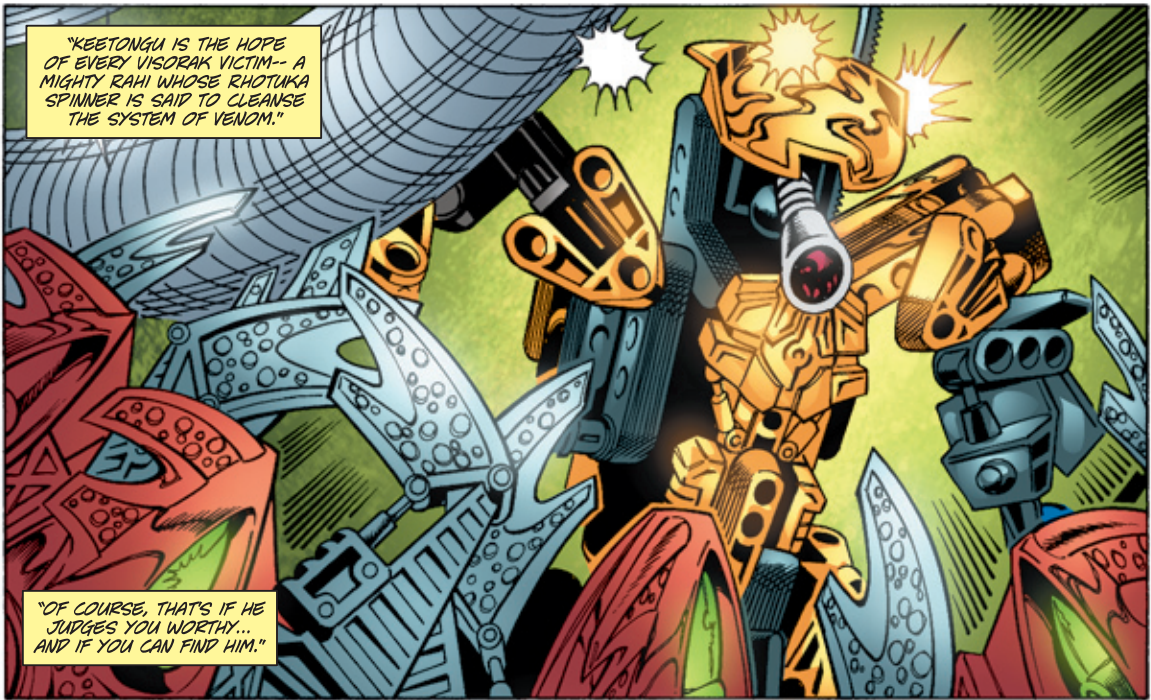
THIS WAS YOUR IDEA. GATHER MATERIALS FOR AIRSHIPS SO YOU CAN TRANSPORT THE MATORAN OUT OF THIS PLACE TO THEIR NEW HOME, THEN WORRY ABOUT REVERSING THE EFFECTS OF THE VENOM ON YOU.

I KNOW.



BUT NORIK SAID THERE MIGHT BE A WAY TO CURE OURSELVES... A CREATURE NAMED KEETONGU, WHO HOLDS THE KEY.

HA! LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT KEETONGU...



"KEETONGU IS THE HOPE OF EVERY VISORAK VICTIM-- A MIGHTY RAHI WHOSE RHOTUKA SPINNER IS SAID TO CLEANSE THE SYSTEM OF VENOM."

"OF COURSE, THAT'S IF HE JUDGES YOU WORTHY... AND IF YOU CAN FIND HIM."



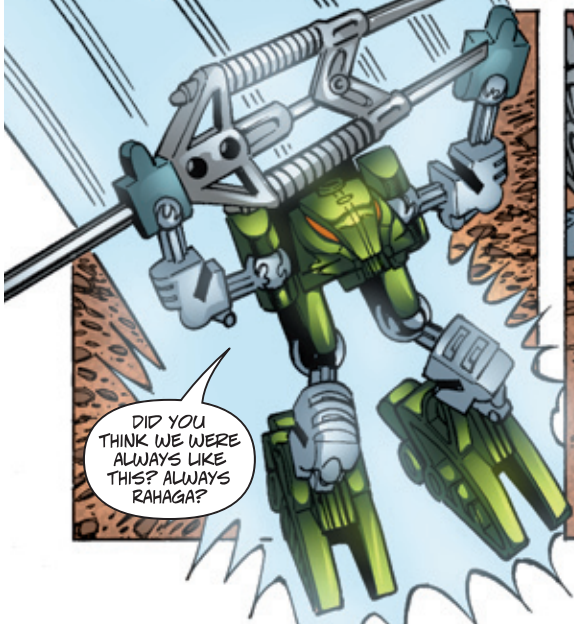
"THERE'S ONLY ONE PROBLEM. HE DOESN'T EXIST. HE NEVER EXISTED. HE'S JUST A MYTH, MATAU."



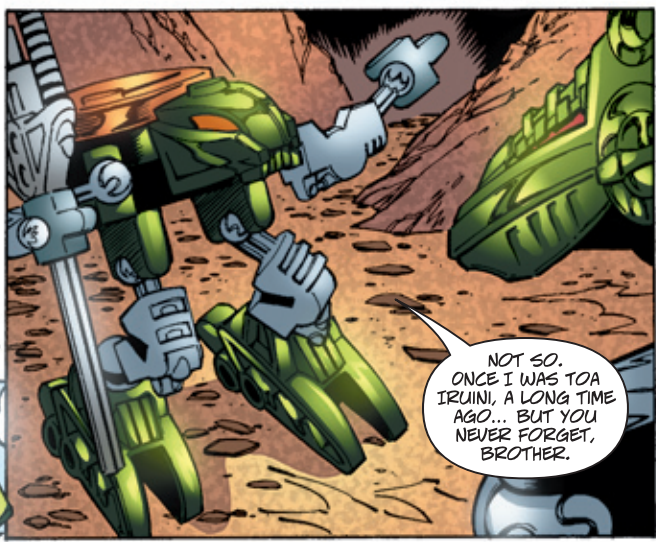
BUT DON'T WORRY... BEING A VISORAK-SPAWNED FREAK ISN'T SO BAD. YOU GET USED TO IT.



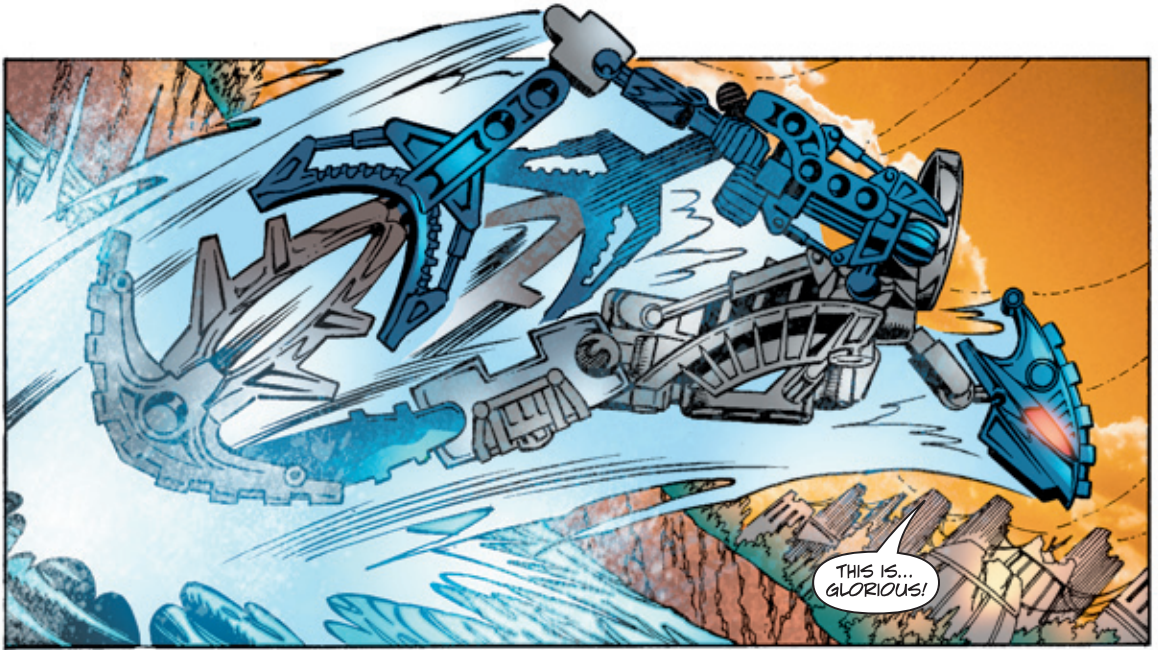
WAIT... YOU MEAN, YOU AND THE OTHERS...?



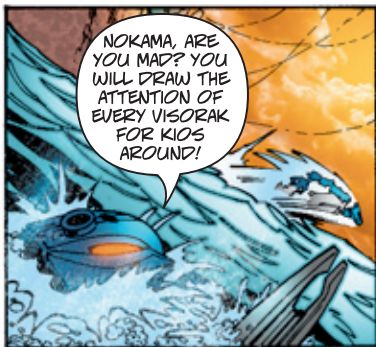
DID YOU THINK WE WERE ALWAYS LIKE THIS? ALWAYS RAHAGA?



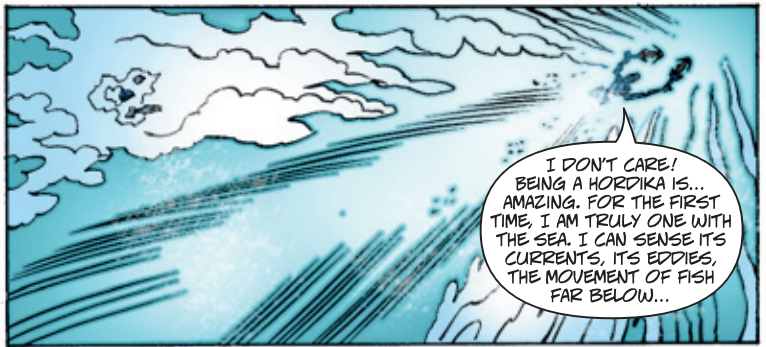
NOT SO. ONCE I WAS TOA IRUINI, A LONG TIME AGO... BUT YOU NEVER FORGET, BROTHER.



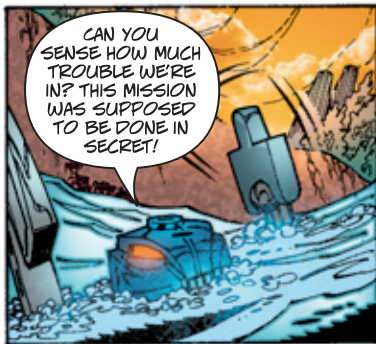
THIS IS...  
GLORIOUS!



NOKAMA, ARE YOU MAD? YOU WILL DRAW THE ATTENTION OF EVERY VISORAK FOR KIOS AROUND!



I DON'T CARE! BEING A HORDIKA IS... AMAZING. FOR THE FIRST TIME, I AM TRULY ONE WITH THE SEA. I CAN SENSE ITS CURRENTS, ITS EDDIES, THE MOVEMENT OF FISH FAR BELOW...

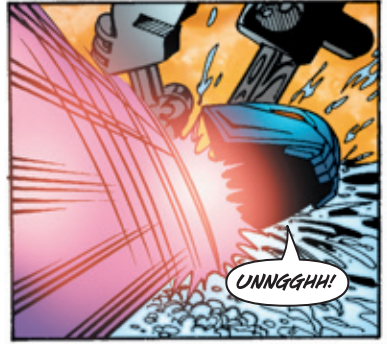


CAN YOU SENSE HOW MUCH TROUBLE WE'RE IN? THIS MISSION WAS SUPPOSED TO BE DONE IN SECRET!

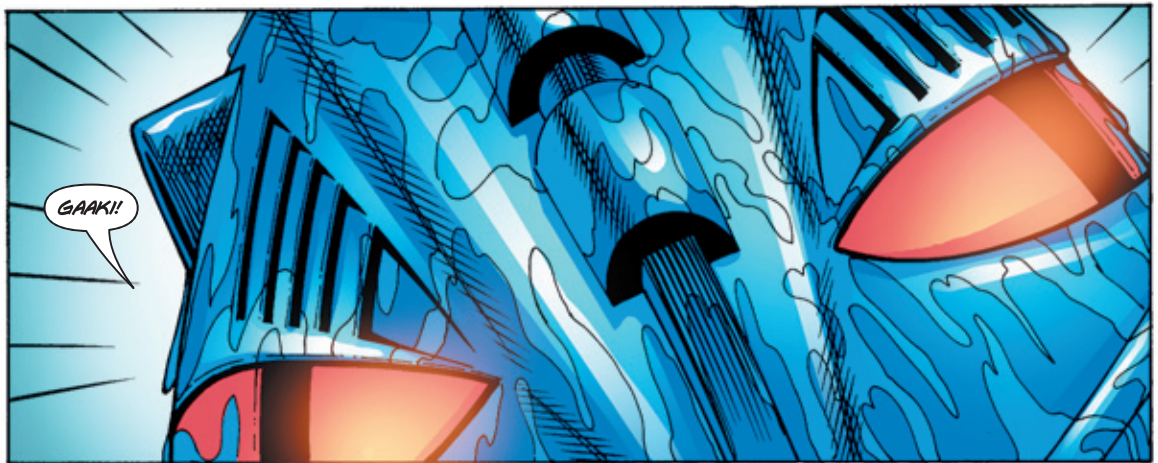


"LOOKS LIKE THE SECRET IS OUT."

**HSSSSSTT**

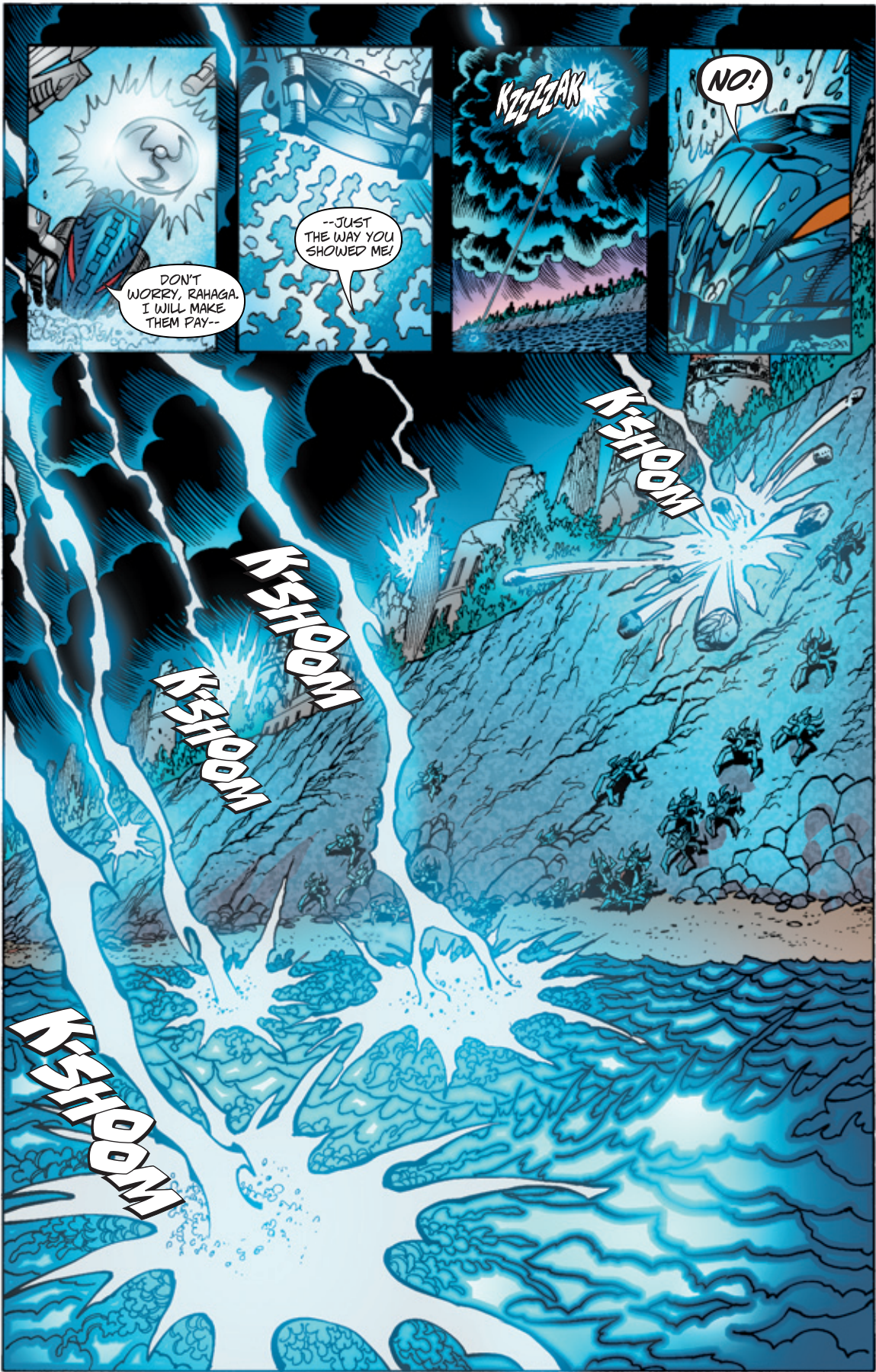


UNNGGHH!



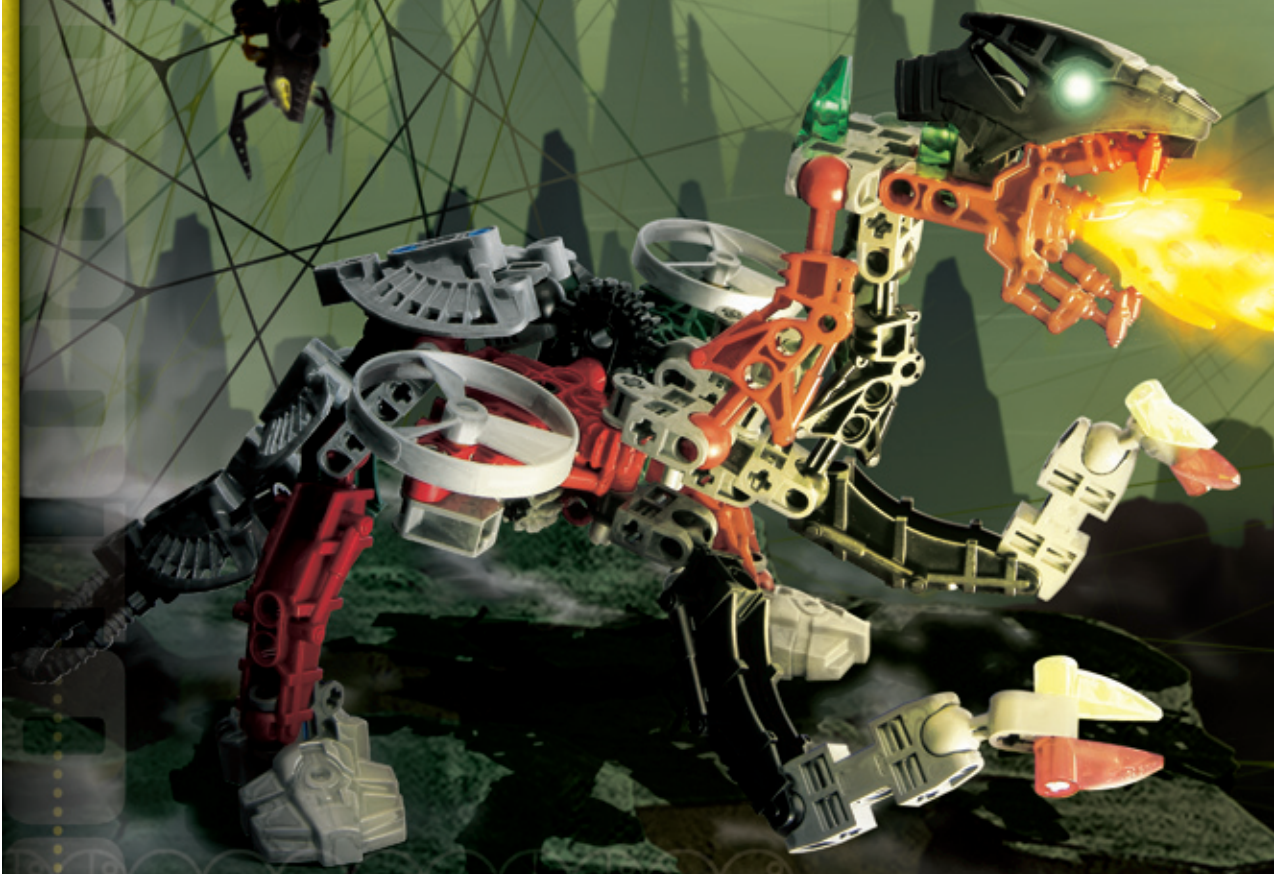
GAAK!





# MENACES TO

The **VISORAK** are not the only threat to the city of shadows. These two species pose an unknown danger to **METRU NUI** and its population! When will they strike? And will there be **TOA** to defend the city against them? Only time will tell.



## PROTOCAIRNS

Surely one of the most bizarre creatures ever seen on Metru Nui, perhaps only their rumored origin is stranger than their behavior. According to legend, the protocairns were once a small group of villagers from another land who willingly exposed themselves to energized protodermis. They were transformed into monstrous, amphibious beasts. Every hundred years or so since then, protocairns appear on the shore of various islands and wreak enormous destruction, actually disintegrating large portions of the coastline. After a short time of this, the protocairns die and their bodies fuse together, forming new and in place of the old they destroyed. While they live, they are extremely difficult to stop, although Vahki squads have had success driving them away over the past few centuries.

Build a Protocairn using pieces from 8736 Toa Hordika Vakama, 8738 Toa Hordika Whenua, 8740 Toa Hordika Matau.

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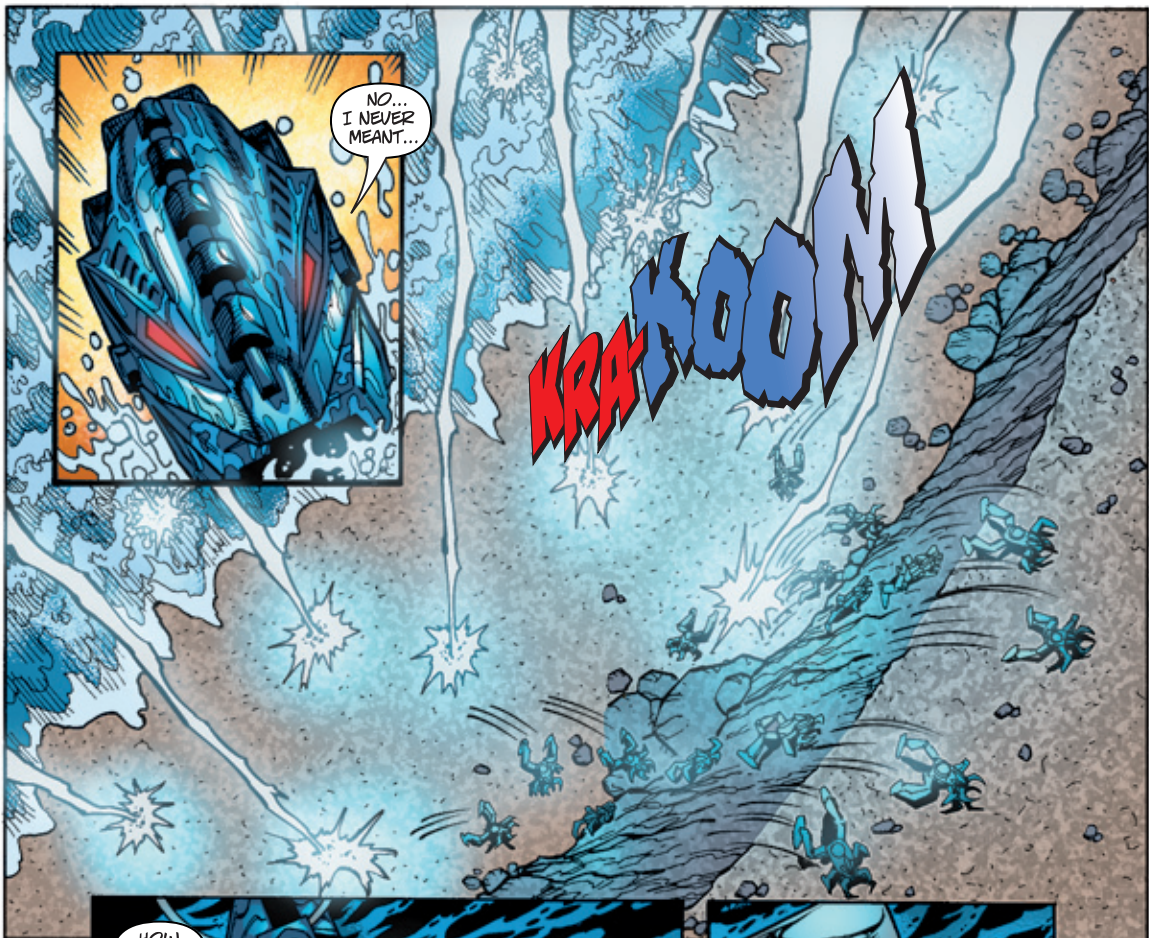
## FROSTELUS

Icebergs float in the far northern waters around Metru Nui, having appeared suddenly following the earthquake that struck the city. What no one realizes is that these are not natural forms - they are, in fact, homes and "armor" for the beings called Frostelus. Somewhere on the border line between Rahi and Toa-Turaga-Matoran, Frostelus may be former victims of the Visorak or some previously undiscovered species. How they came to be so near Metru Nui, and what their intentions may be, remains unknown.

Build a Frostelus using pieces from 8737 Toa Hordika Nokama, 8739 Toa Hordika Onewa, and 8741 Toa Hordika Nuju.

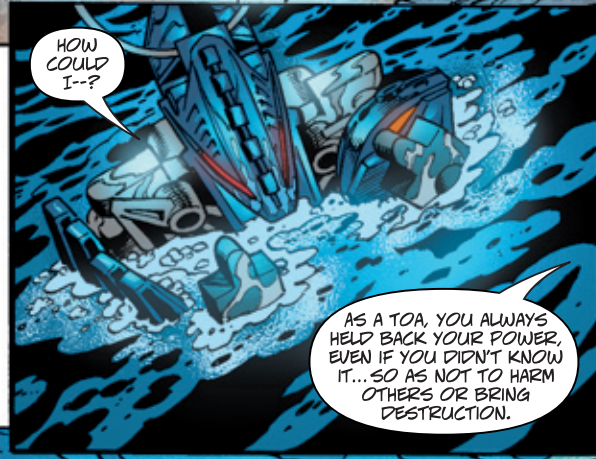


**Look for instructions to build the Protocairn and the Frostelus at [www.BIONICLE.com](http://www.BIONICLE.com)!**



NO...  
I NEVER  
MEANT..

**KRA-KOOM!**



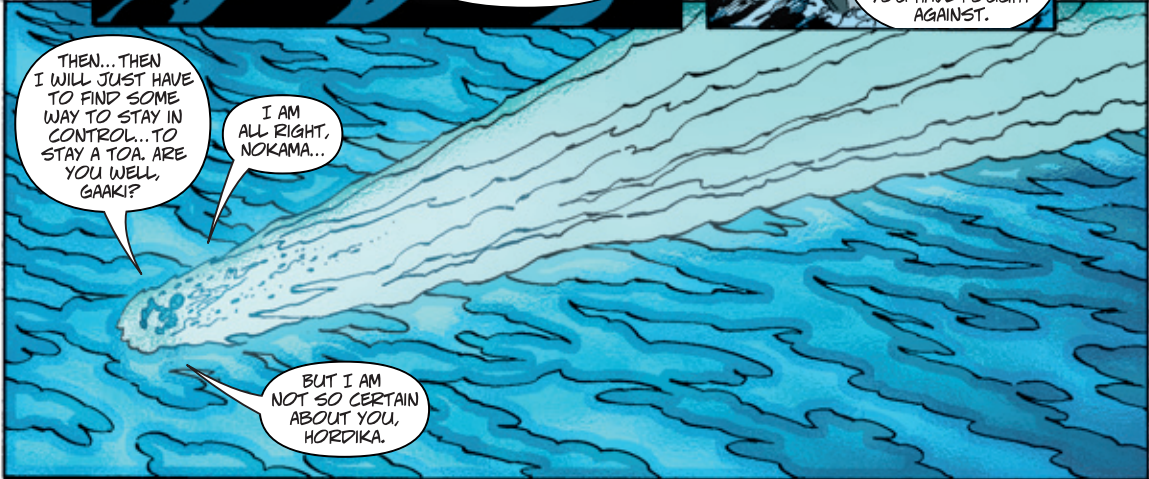
HOW  
COULD  
I--?

AS A TOA, YOU ALWAYS  
HELD BACK YOUR POWER,  
EVEN IF YOU DIDN'T KNOW  
IT... SO AS NOT TO HARM  
OTHERS OR BRING  
DESTRUCTION.



BUT AS  
A HORDIKA ...  
THERE IS LITTLE  
TO KEEP YOUR  
POWER IN  
CHECK.

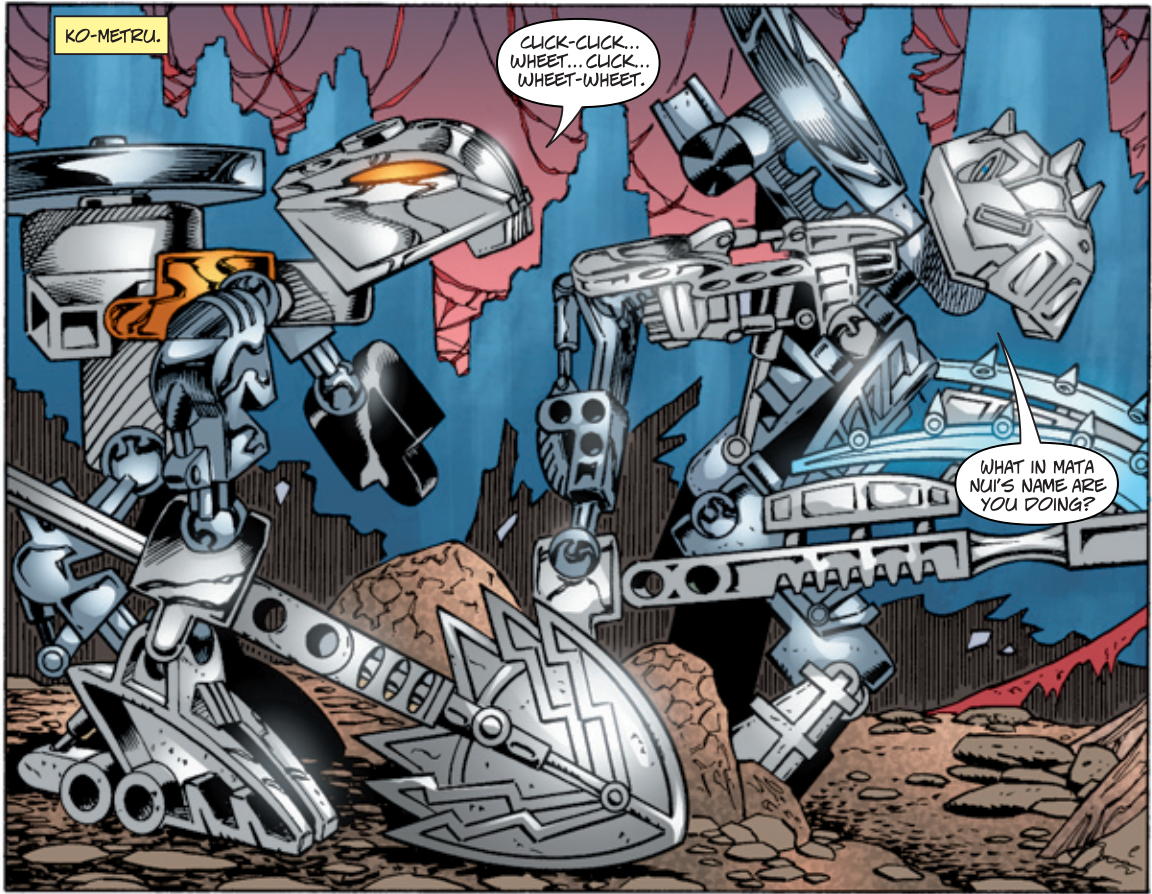
GIVEN ENOUGH  
TIME, THAT SIDE OF  
YOU WILL TAKE OVER  
... AND YOU WILL  
BECOME THAT WHICH  
YOU HAVE FOUGHT  
AGAINST.



THEN... THEN  
I WILL JUST HAVE  
TO FIND SOME  
WAY TO STAY IN  
CONTROL... TO  
STAY A TOA. ARE  
YOU WELL,  
GAAKI?

I AM  
ALL RIGHT,  
NOKAMA...

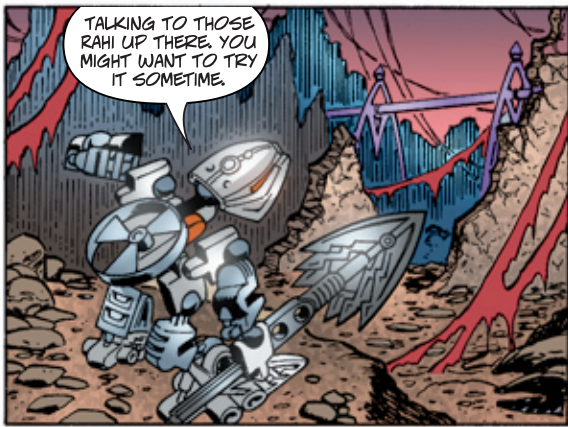
BUT I AM  
NOT SO CERTAIN  
ABOUT YOU,  
HORDIKA.



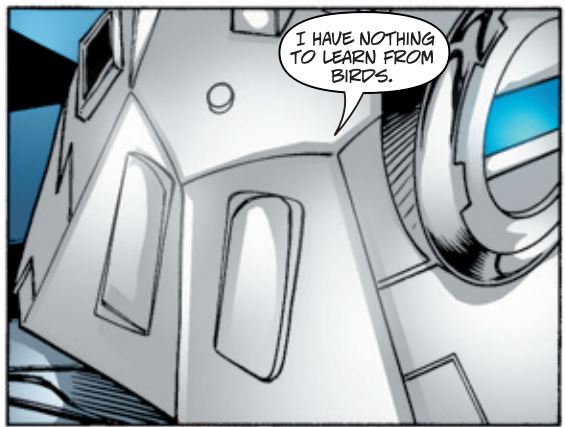
KO-METRU.

CLICK-CLICK...  
WHEET...CLICK...  
WHEET-WHEET.

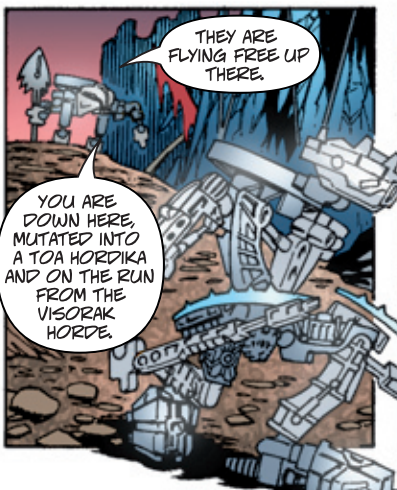
WHAT IN MATA  
NUI'S NAME ARE  
YOU DOING?



TALKING TO THOSE  
RAHI UP THERE, YOU  
MIGHT WANT TO TRY  
IT SOMETIME.

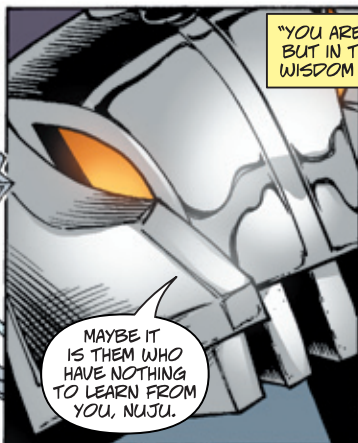


I HAVE NOTHING  
TO LEARN FROM  
BIRDS.



THEY ARE  
FLYING FREE UP  
THERE.

YOU ARE  
DOWN HERE,  
MUTATED INTO  
A TOA HORDIKA  
AND ON THE RUN  
FROM THE  
VISORAK  
HORDE.



"YOU ARE VERY WISE, TOA,  
BUT IN THIS NEW WORLD,  
WISDOM IS NOT ENOUGH."

MAYBE IT  
IS THEM WHO  
HAVE NOTHING  
TO LEARN FROM  
YOU, NUJU.

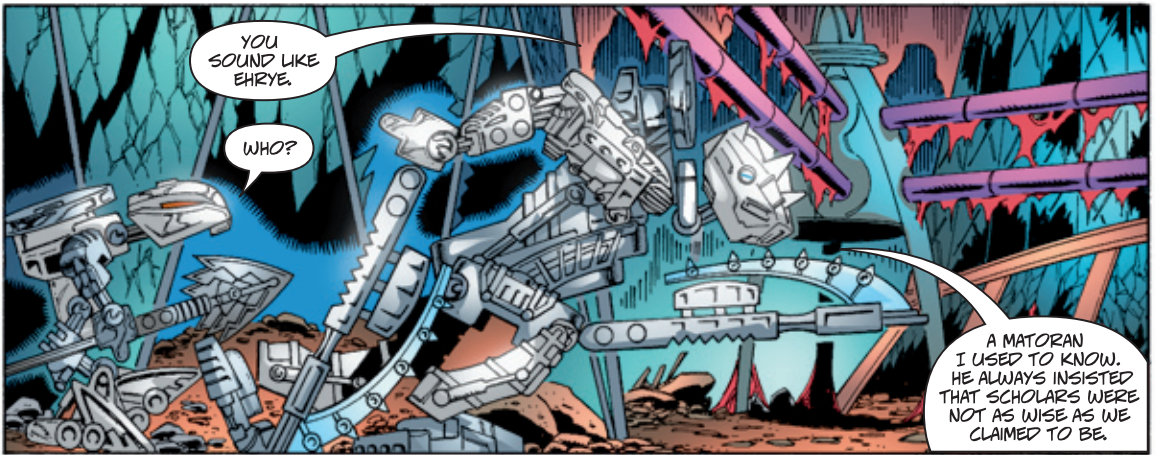


THEIR TONE IS  
ANGRY. NOW IS THE  
TIME TO STRIKE.\*

TOO SIMPLE.  
NOTHING IN THIS CITY IS  
WORTH HUNTING. SIDORAK  
PROMISED US GOOD  
SPORT, REMEMBER?

I REMEMBER. I  
REMEMBER WHAT  
ROOPAKA DID TO THE  
LAST ONE WHO  
COMPLAINED, TOO.

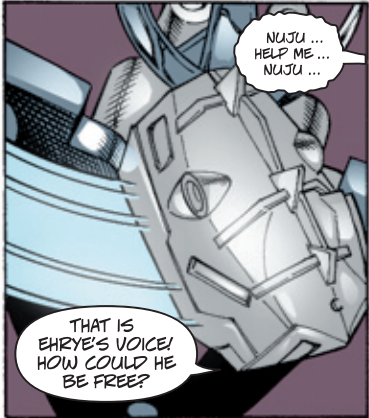
\*TRANSLATED  
FROM VISORAK



YOU SOUND LIKE EHRYE.

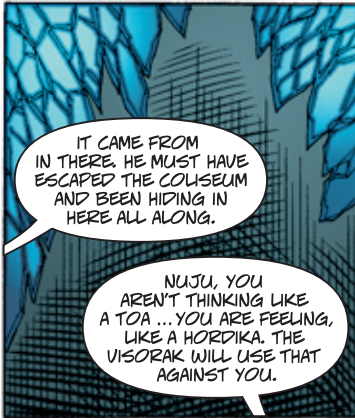
WHO?

A MATORAN I USED TO KNOW. HE ALWAYS INSISTED THAT SCHOLARS WERE NOT AS WISE AS WE CLAIMED TO BE.



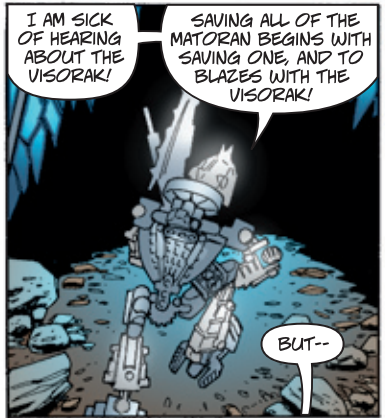
NUJU ... HELP ME ... NUJU ...

THAT IS EHRYE'S VOICE! HOW COULD HE BE FREE?



IT CAME FROM IN THERE. HE MUST HAVE ESCAPED THE COLISEUM AND BEEN HIDING IN HERE ALL ALONG.

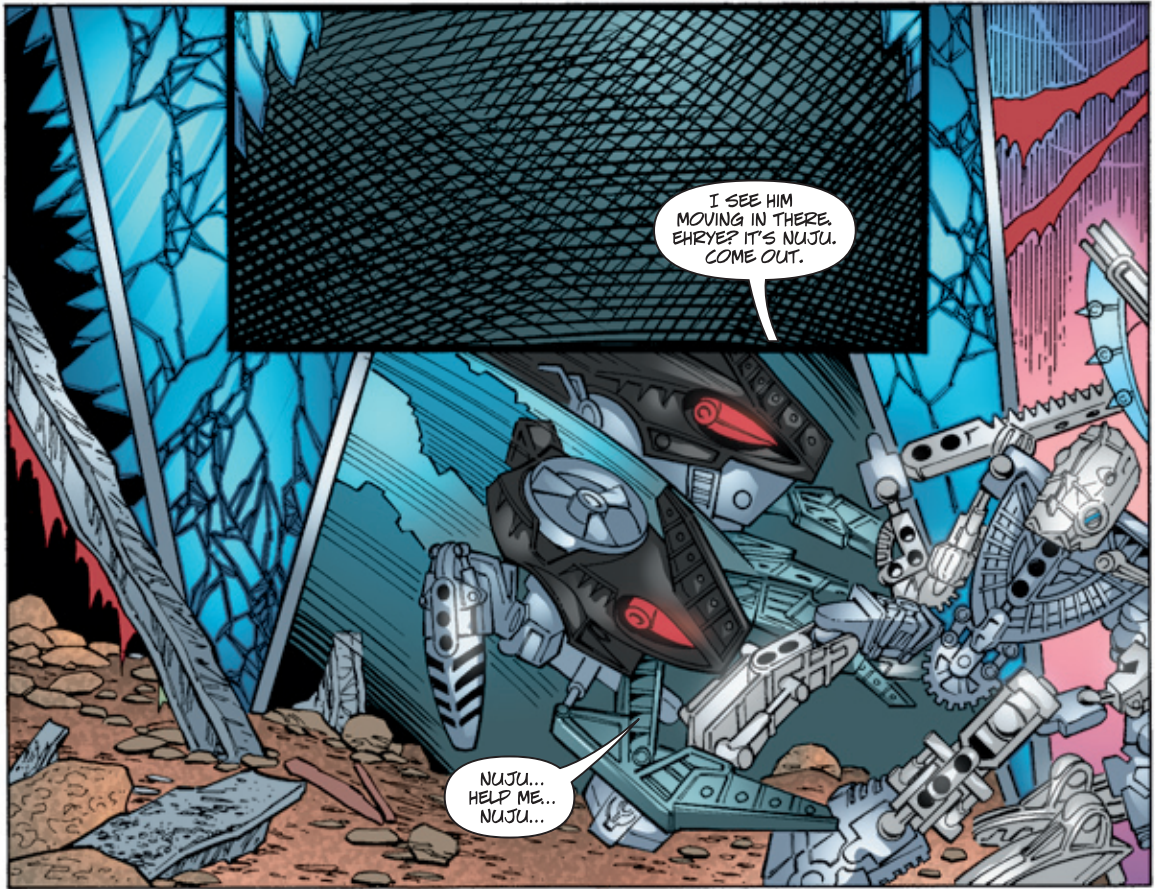
NUJU, YOU AREN'T THINKING LIKE A TOA ... YOU ARE FEELING LIKE A HORDIKA. THE VISORAK WILL USE THAT AGAINST YOU.



I AM SICK OF HEARING ABOUT THE VISORAK!

SAVING ALL OF THE MATORAN BEGINS WITH SAVING ONE, AND TO BLAZES WITH THE VISORAK!

BUT--



I SEE HIM MOVING IN THERE. EHRYE? IT'S NUJU. COME OUT.

NUJU... HELP ME... NUJU...



OOHNORAK CAN IMITATE THE VOICES OF THOSE YOU TRUST, STOLEN FROM YOUR VERY THOUGHTS. I TRIED TO WARN YOU!

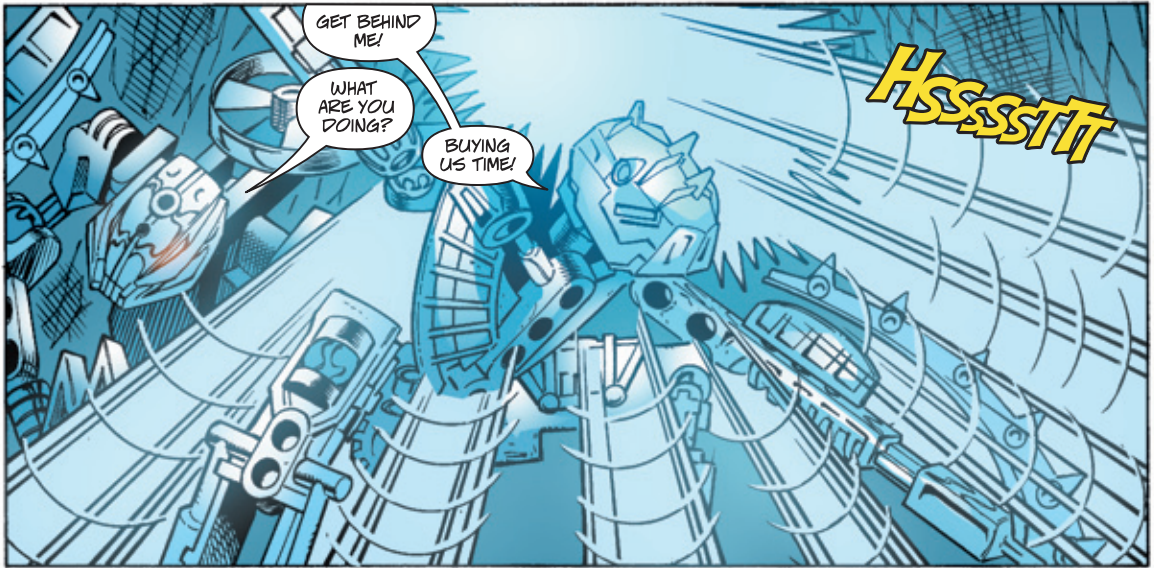
NEXT TIME, TRY HARDER!



I ENDURED YOUR VENOM, CREATURE ... AND YOUR WEBS... BUT ONE THING I WILL NOT ENDURE--



--IS YOUR BREATH!

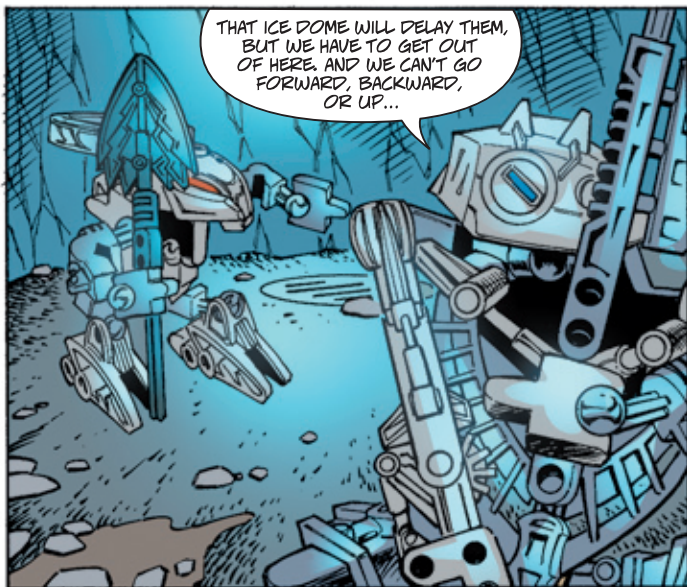


GET BEHIND ME!

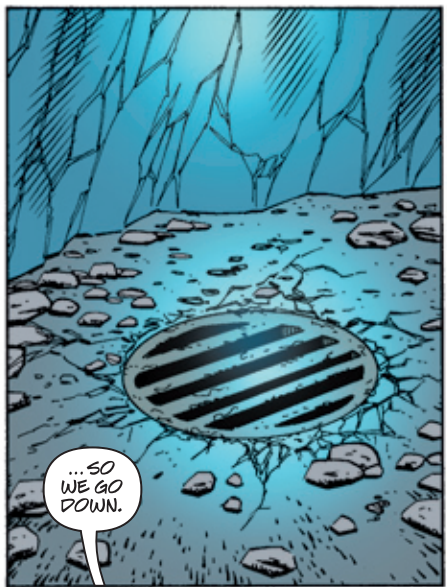
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

BUYING US TIME!

**HSSSSSTTT**



THAT ICE DOME WILL DELAY THEM, BUT WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE. AND WE CAN'T GO FORWARD, BACKWARD, OR UP...



...SO WE GO DOWN.

NOT THE NICEST OF REFUGES, BUT IT WILL DO.

I DON'T MIND. WE RAHAGA LIVED DOWN HERE FOR YEARS, AND NONE OF YOU EVER KNEW.

YOU REALLY NEED TO BE MORE OBSERVANT.

NORIK SAID HE WAS SURE THE VISORAK WOULD COME, EVENTUALLY. THIS WOULD BE OUR LAST CHANCE TO STOP SIDORAK, ROODAKA, AND THE HORDES.

WHY WERE YOU HIDING HERE?

OUR PLAN IS TO BEAT THEM HERE, THEN TRY TO RETAKE THE OTHER LANDS THEY HAVE OVERRUN.

I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU HAVE A PLAN B, DO YOU?

DEFEAT. MUTATION. THE END OF ALL LIFE IN METRU NUI.

I WAS AFRAID IT WOULD BE SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

**TO BE CONTINUED...**



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# METRU NUI has changed greatly since the events of **BIONICLE 2: Legends of Metru Nui**. Here is a quick guide to the earthquake ravaged "city of shadows"

## Po-Metru

Rockslides have blocked some canyons and passes. Previously hidden sites have been revealed, like a secret lair of Makuta.



## Onu-Metru

The Archives have shattered, releasing Rahi of all sorts to roam the streets in the darkness.



## Ko-Metru

Knowledge Towers suffered great damage, and fractured canals have resulted in icy pools and pillars of frozen protodermis.



## Ga-Metru

Dangerous aquatic Rahi infest the waterways, while protodermis experiments have leaked out of the damaged schools.



## Ta-Metru

Molten protodermis has flooded some areas, while shattered foundries fill the metru with fire and smoke.



## Le-Metru

Now a dangerous, mechanized jungle, Le-Metru is home to many of the wild Rahi who have escaped the Archives.



METRU NUI

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