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ZOMBIE
BATMAN



I COVER THE
WATERFRONT

HARVEY • CARIELLO • RYAN



...and after the Earth shattered and the buildings crumbled, the nation abandoned Gotham City. Then only the valiant, the venal and the insane remained in the place they called **NO MAN'S LAND**

11:45 PM

YOU MIGHT AS WELL CRAWL OFF NOW, SANCHEZ! THIS IS JETS TERRITORY!

OOOOGH, I'M SHAKIN'!

SHE'S SPENT HER WHOLE LIFE IN WAR ZONES.

THIS IS JUST ONE MORE.

I'LL TAKE ON ALL YOU PUNKS! COME ON!

OH YEAH?

COME ON!

WHO THE PEOPLE ARE, WHAT THEY SHOUT ABOUT, THE TERRITORY THEY BATTLE OVER MAY BE DIFFERENT, BUT ONE THING NEVER CHANGES.

HUH?

VIOLENCE.

AGHH!

THE LANGUAGE OF FORCE AND FISTS.

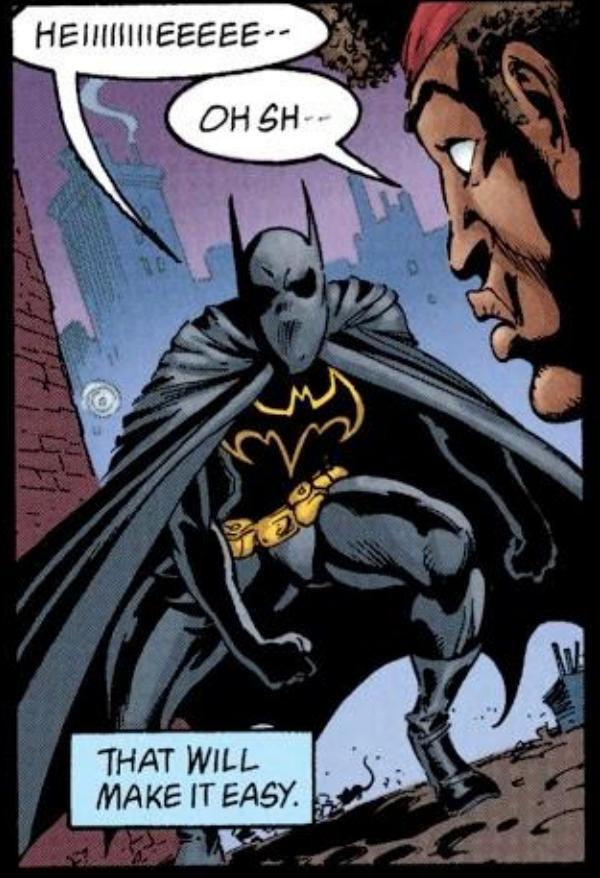
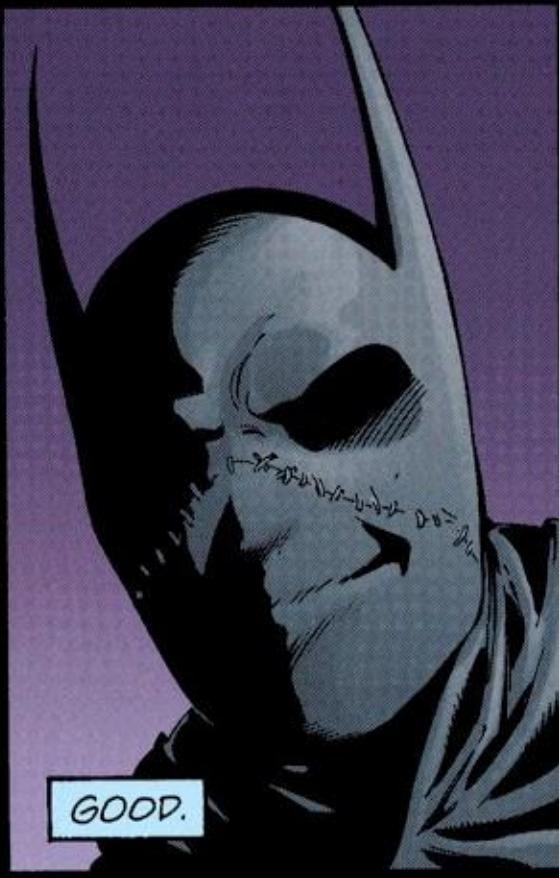
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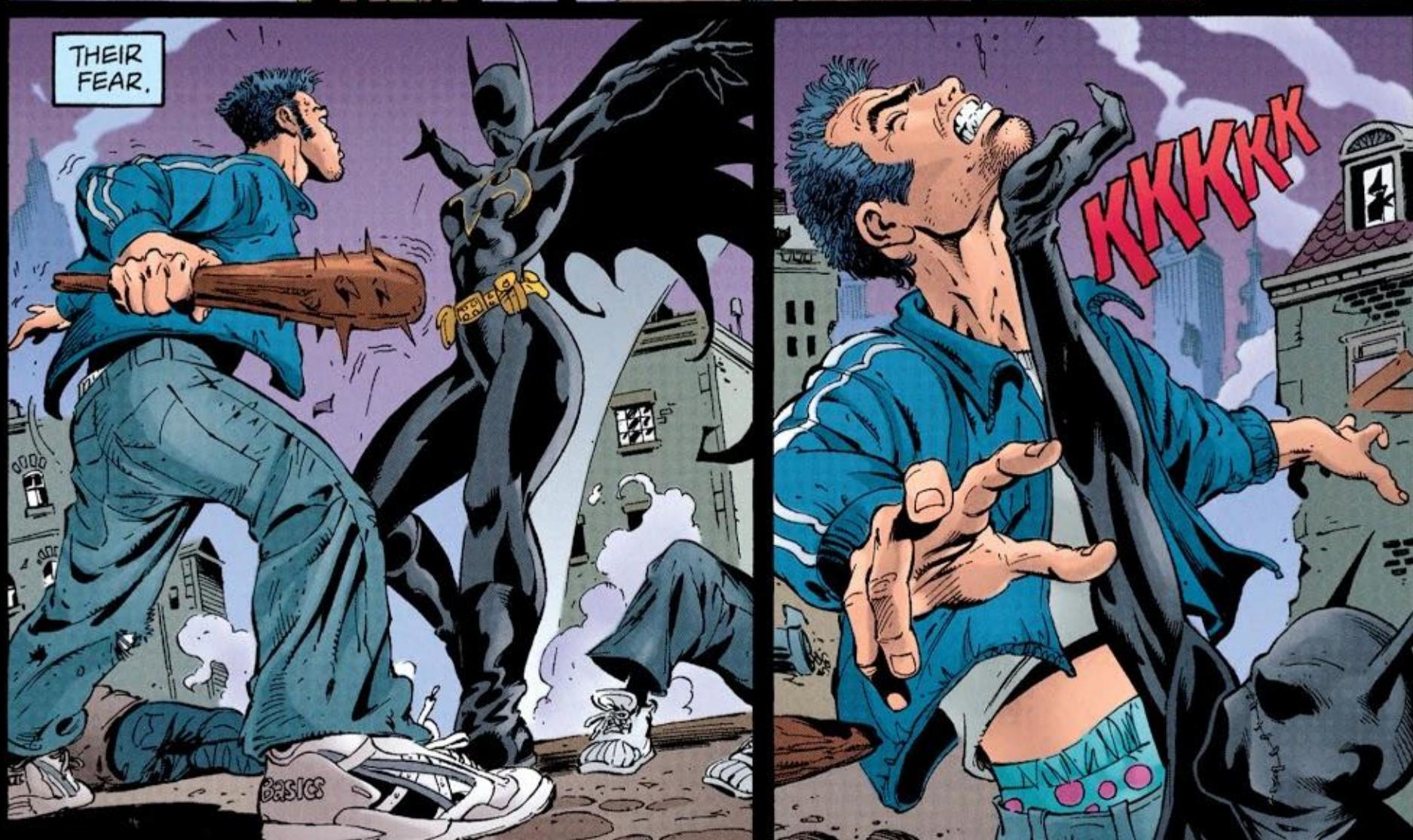
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SHE LIKES IT.

SHE LIKES IT
TOO MUCH.

STOP.

STOP
NOW.

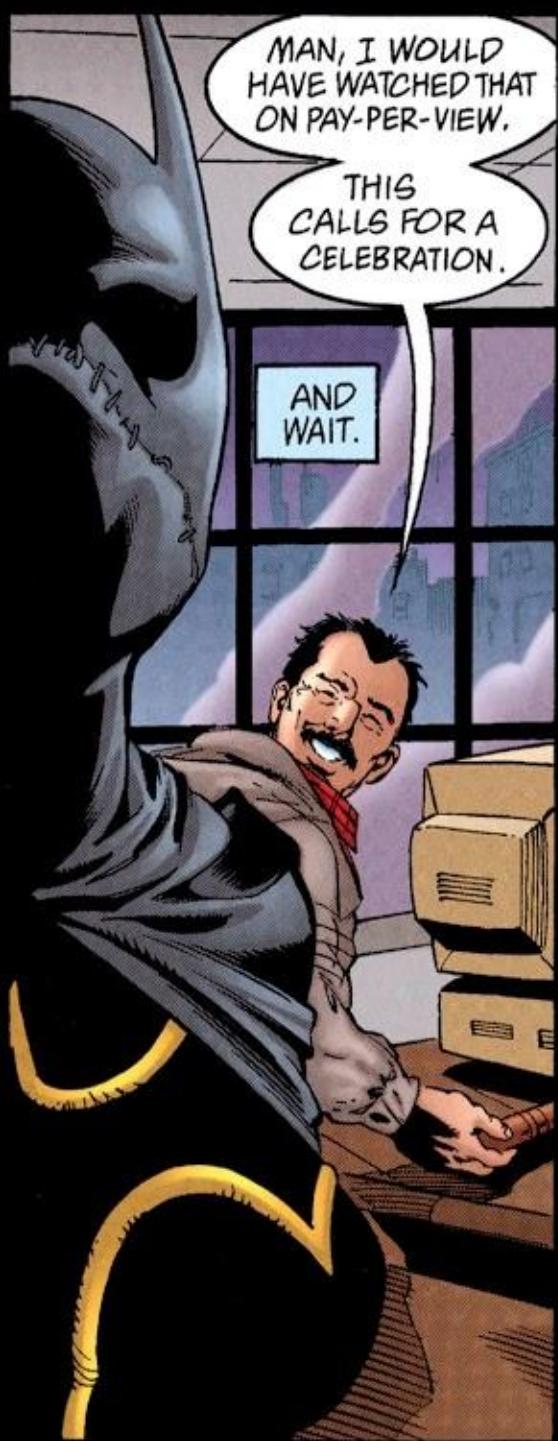
HUNHHH...

THE MESSAGE HAS
BEEN DELIVERED.

THE TERRITORY
IS HERS.

YEAH! YEAH! WHO'S
LAUGHING NOW, YA HAR DE HAR HAR!
BUMS?! WHO'S LAUGHING
NOW?!

UP YOURS,
SANCHEZ!
WE'LL BE
BACK!



12:15AM

SHE'S
TAKEN THE GAS
STATION.

GOOD.
WE MOVE.



NO. JOKER'S FORCES
JUST TOOK THE WEST SIDE.
THERE'S TOO MUCH ACTIVITY
IN THE NORTHEAST
CORRIDOR.

WHAT?

HOW MANY HOURS
DOES THE HOSPITAL
UNIT HAVE LEFT ON
THE GENERATOR?

ANOTHER SIX.
EIGHT, IF THEY CUT
THE EXTERIOR
LIGHTS.

CUT
THEM.

YOU'RE
GOING TO LET
HER HANG
THERE?

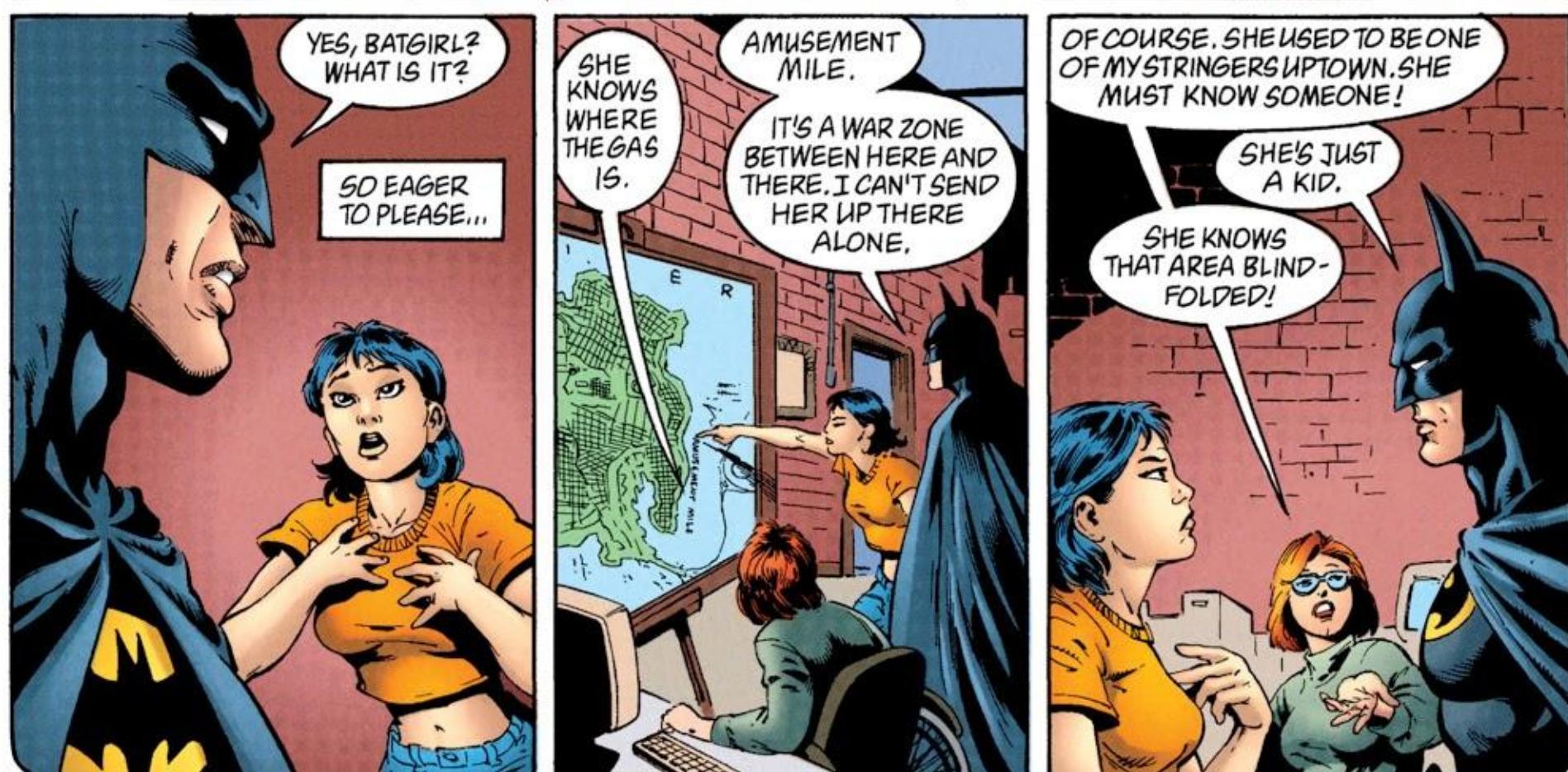
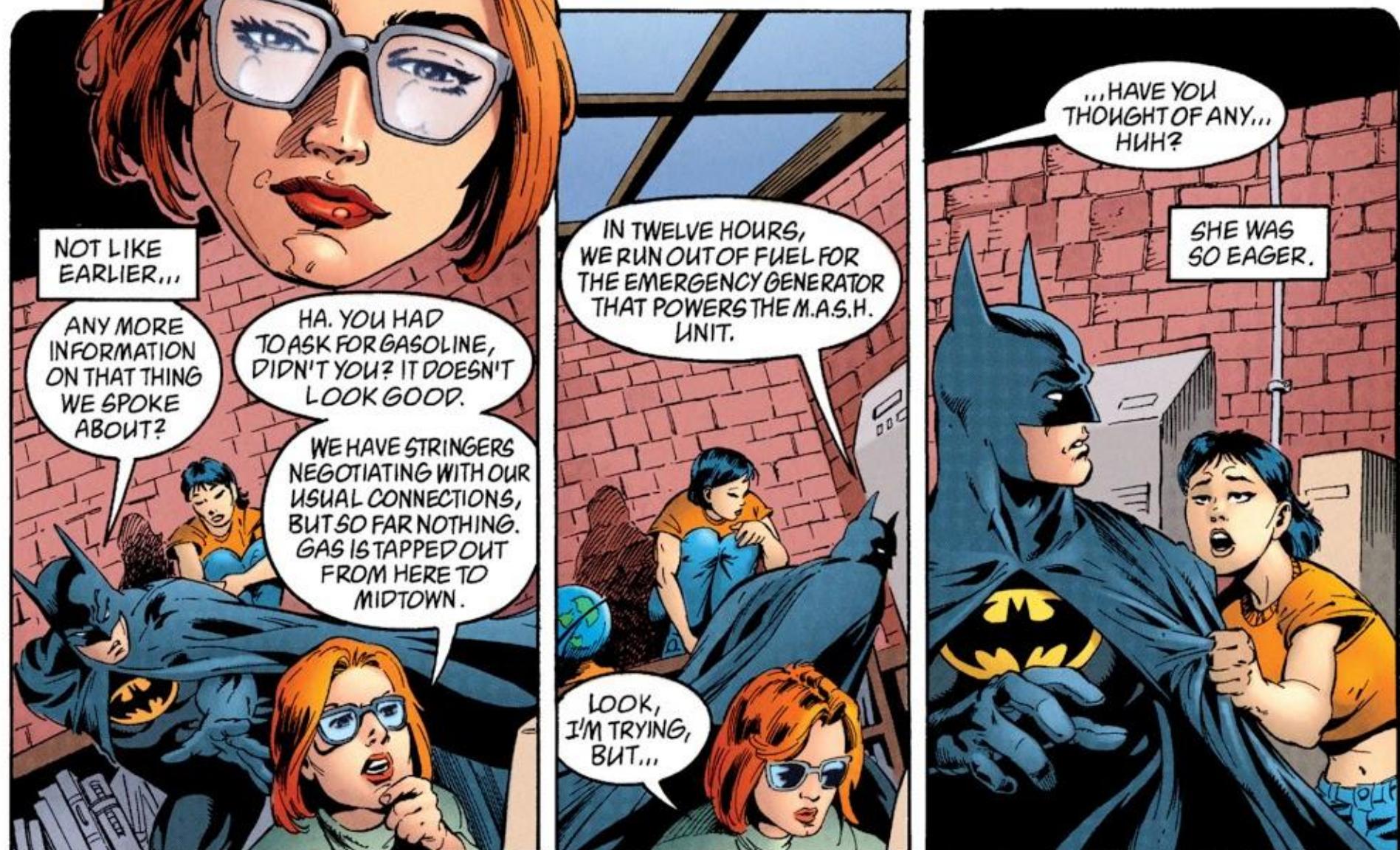
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS
TO SEND FORCES
THROUGH NOW. AND
NOT WORTH THE
RISK. WE MOVE
AT DAWN.

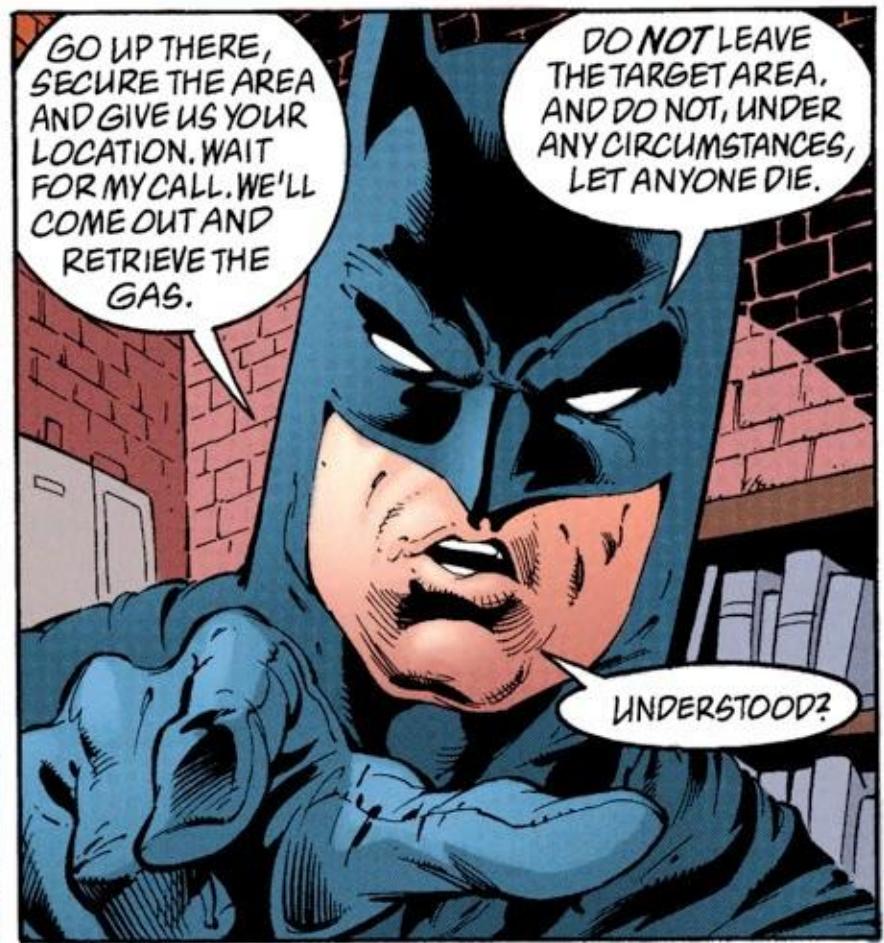
IT'LL BE
A LONG NIGHT
FOR THE
GIRL.





8:35PM





2:39AM

WHO KNOWS WHAT GOES
THROUGH HER MIND AT ALL?

I'VE KNOWN THEM FOR YEARS.
EVER SINCE THEY WERE KIDS.
JIMMY AND HIS FRIENDS USED TO
COME IN HERE AND TRY TO
BOOST STUFF--POTATO
CHIPS, LIGHTERS.

"YOU'LL NEVER GET ANYWHERE WITH
THAT ATTITUDE. CRIME DOESN'T PAY.
YOU GOTTA GROW UP. TAKE SOME
RESPONSIBILITY. BECOME A
CONTRIBUTIN' MEMBER
OF SOCIETY."

THOSE
KIDS.

SMALL STUFF.
JUST FOR KICKS. I
TOLD THEM...

SOCIETY.

WHAT THE
HECK DID I
KNOW?

THEN THIS HAPPENS,
AND THE SMALL-TIME
BOOSTERS GO BIG
TIME. THEY STAKE OUT
TERRITORY, GET
CONNECTIONS,
START TRADING
STUFF UP.

SUDDENLY, THE
PETTY CRIMINALS
ARE THE ONLY
GAME IN TOWN.
IF YOU WANT
TO SURVIVE,
YOU PLAY.

I WAS LUCKY. THIS STATION? WAS
LIKE SITTIN' ON A GOLDMINE. I
COULD TRADE WITH ANYBODY.
GAS, BATTERIES, LIGHTER FLUID,
BEEF JERKY, BEER. I WAS THE
KING OF THE HILL.

FOR A WHILE.
THEN THEY GOT
BRAVE.

THREE MONTHS,
FOUR MONTHS,
FIVE MONTHS
GO BY. THE
STUFF RUNS
OUT.

THEY KNOW I'M
HOLDIN' A STASH OF
MY OWN, SAVING IT.
AND THEY FIGURE, WHY
TRADE WITH THE OLD
MAN.

WHEN THEY CAN
JUST OFF HIM AND
KEEP THE WHOLE
SWEET DEAL FOR
THEMSELVES?

VIOLENT LITTLE
PUNKS. THEY GOT NO
RESPECT. THEY NEVER
FIGURED...

...I KNEW
WHERE TO GET A
BETTER DEAL,
EH...?

HE WAS
MAKING
TOO MUCH
NOISE.

BESIDES, SHE IS
RESTLESS AND
NEEDS TO GET A
SENSE OF THE
TERRITORY.

LEARN ITS SOUNDS, ITS
SMELLS, ITS RHYTHMS. THE
PLACES WHERE IT IS
FORTIFIED, AND WHERE IT
IS VULNERABLE.

MAKE IT
HERS.

SHE'S DONE WHAT WAS
ASKED. SECURED THE
AREA. AND NOW HE WILL
COME AND GET THE GAS.

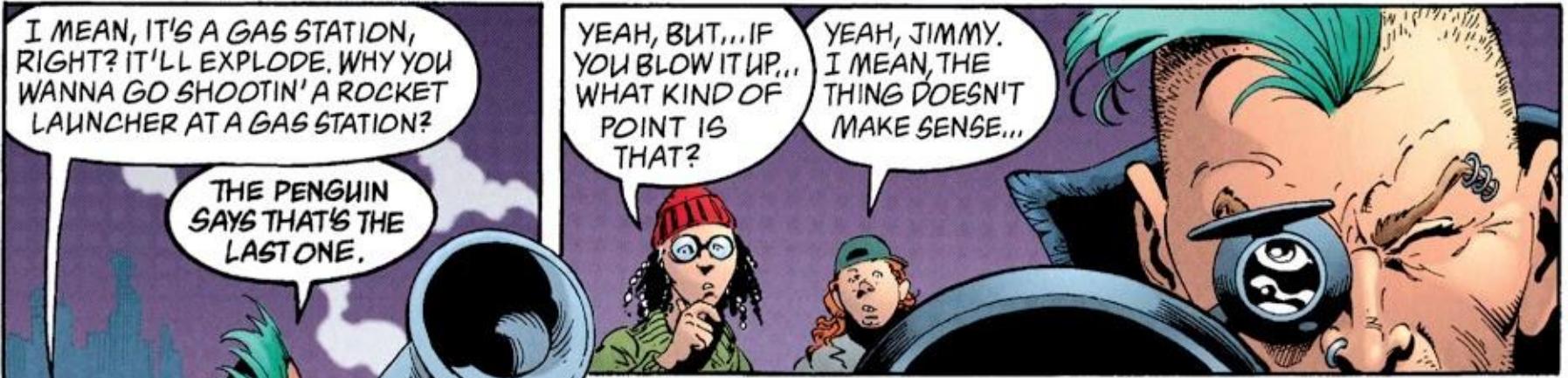
HE SAID
HE'D COME.

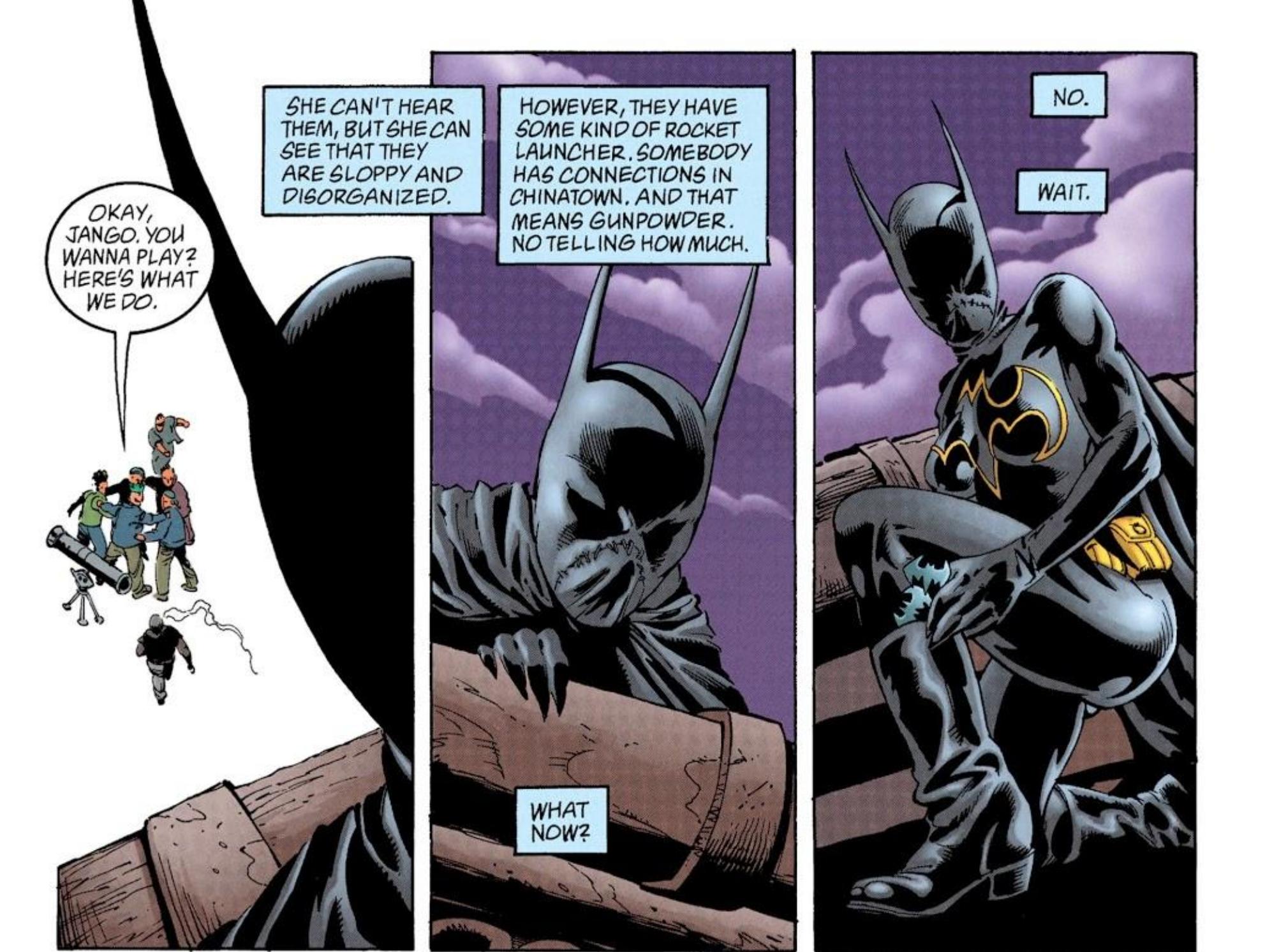
WHERE
IS HE?

SOMEWHERE OUT THERE,
SHE KNOWS THEY ARE
PLANNING THEIR NEXT
MOVE. AND ONE THING
IS FOR SURE.

THEY WILL NOT
UNDERESTIMATE
HER AGAIN.

VOICES.
COMING
FROM...





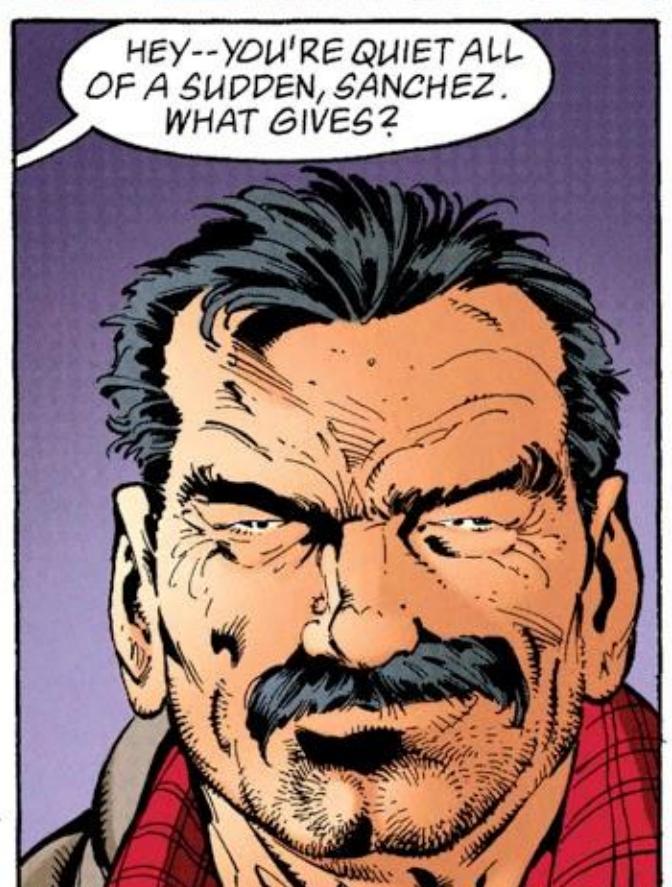
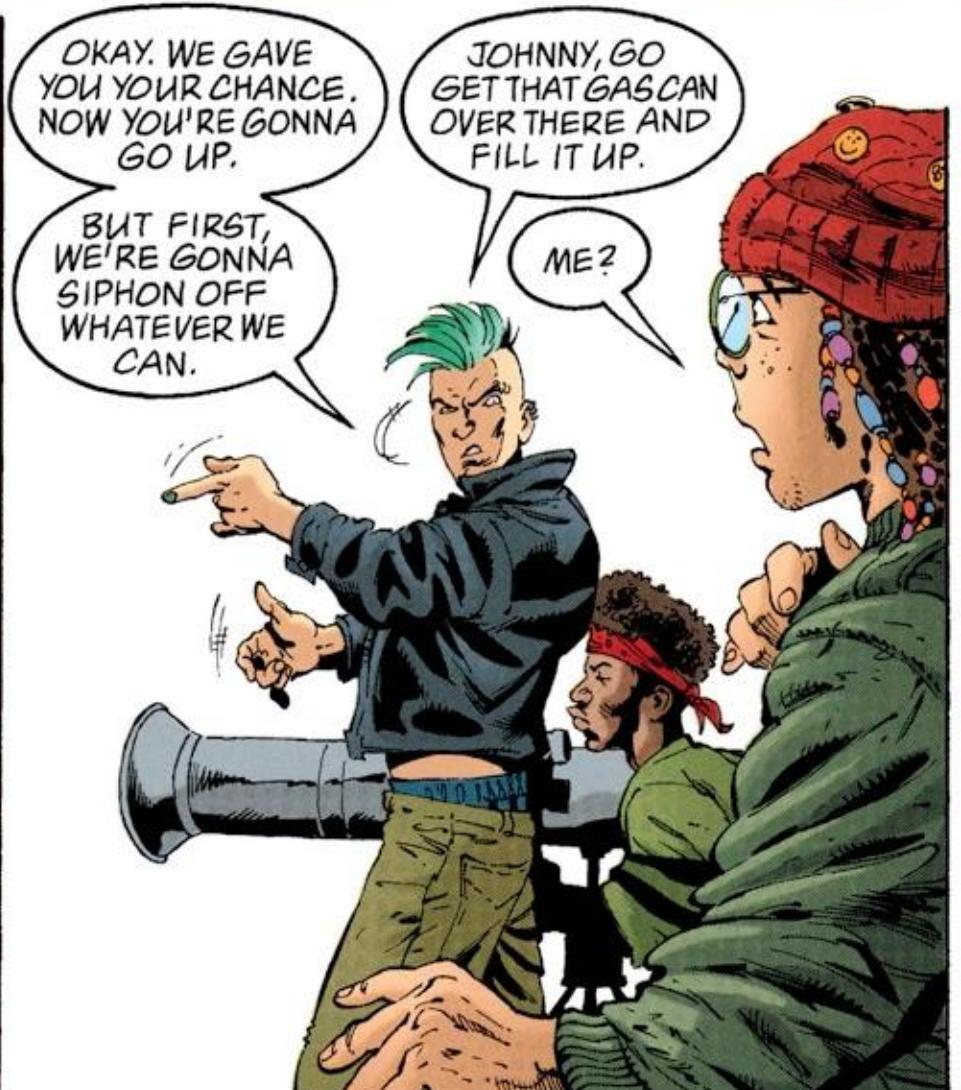
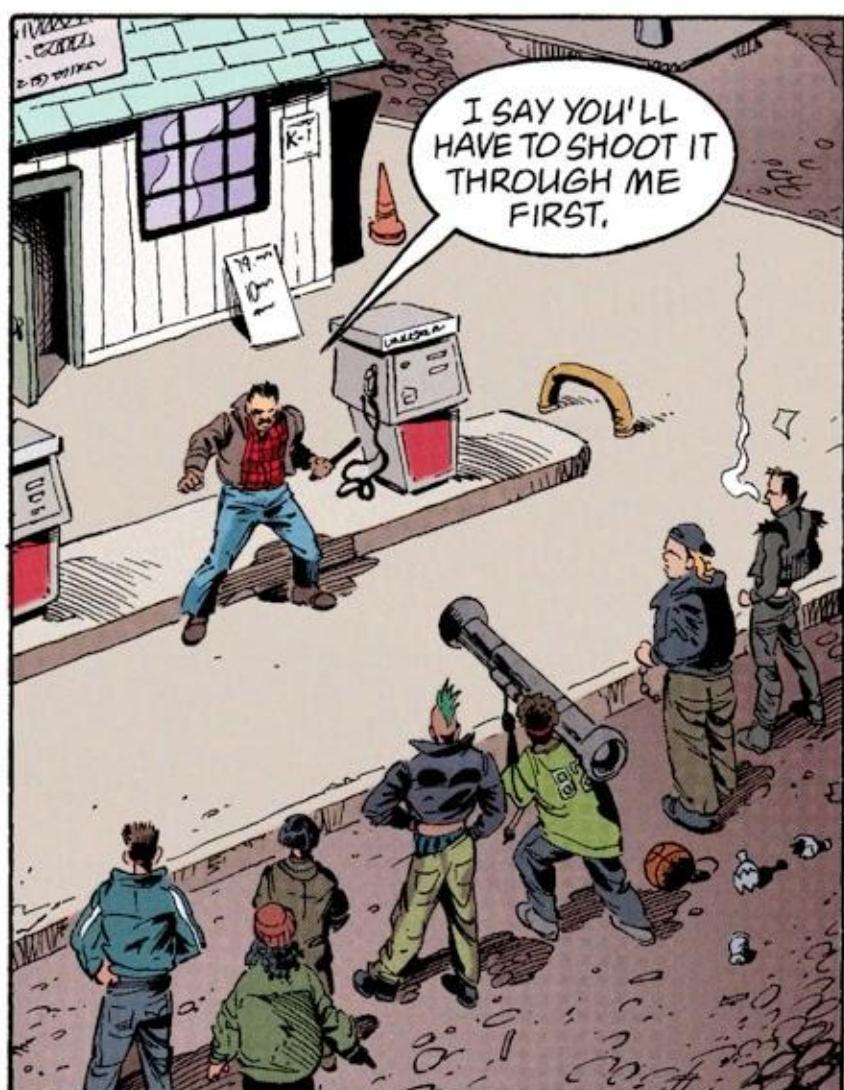
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YEAH, SANCHEZ!
LOOKEE HERE!

MY FRIEND WITH THE
ROCKET LAUNCHER SAYS
IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO TAKE
A LITTLE WALK DOWNTOWN
AND LEAVE THE STATION
FOR US TO TAKE CARE
OF!

OTHERWISE, WE'RE
GONNA BLOW A NICE BIG
HOLE IN YOUR CLEAN
WINDOWS, AND YOU WON'T
BE NOTHIN' BUT A
GREASE SPOT!

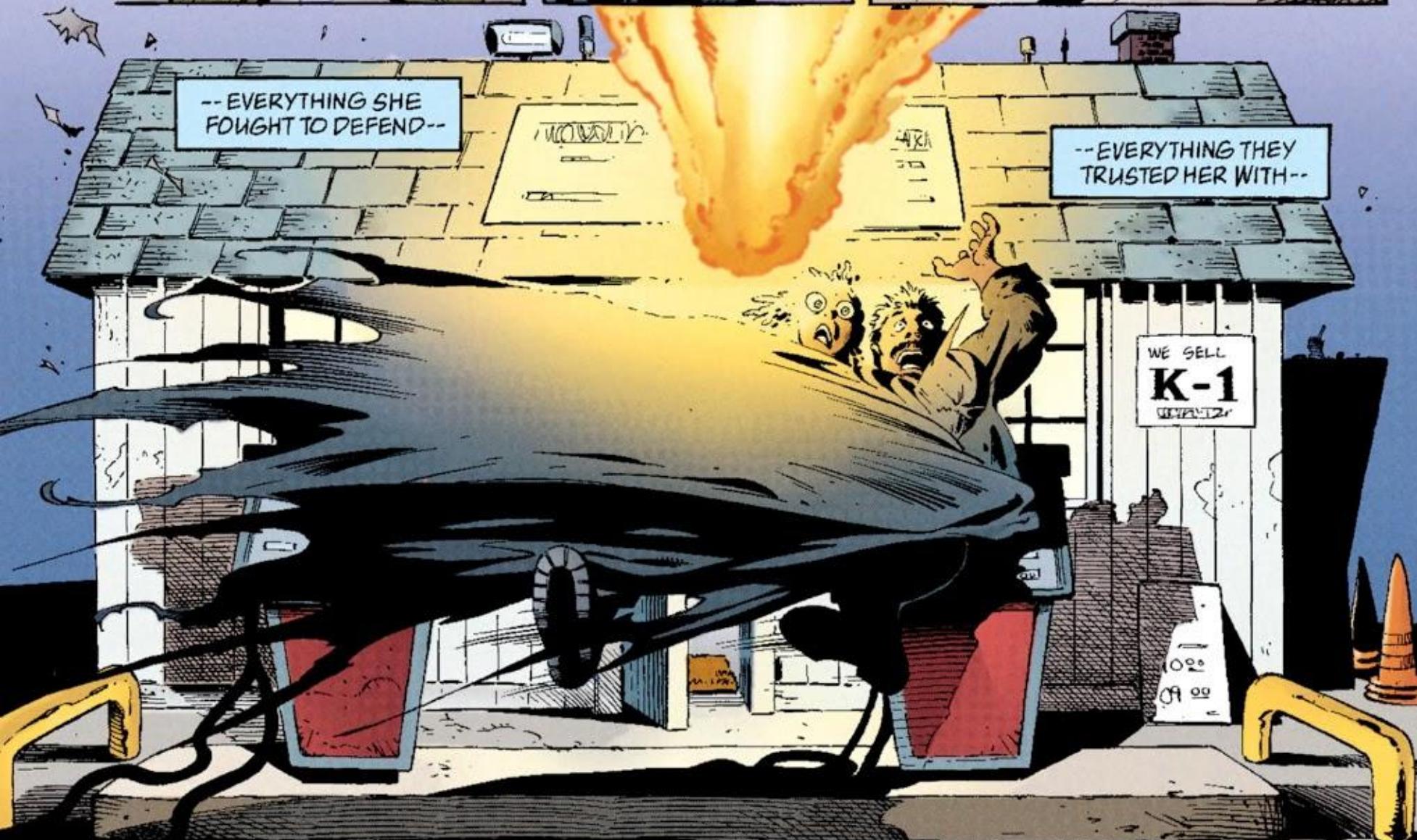
WHAT'D'YA
SAY TO THAT?





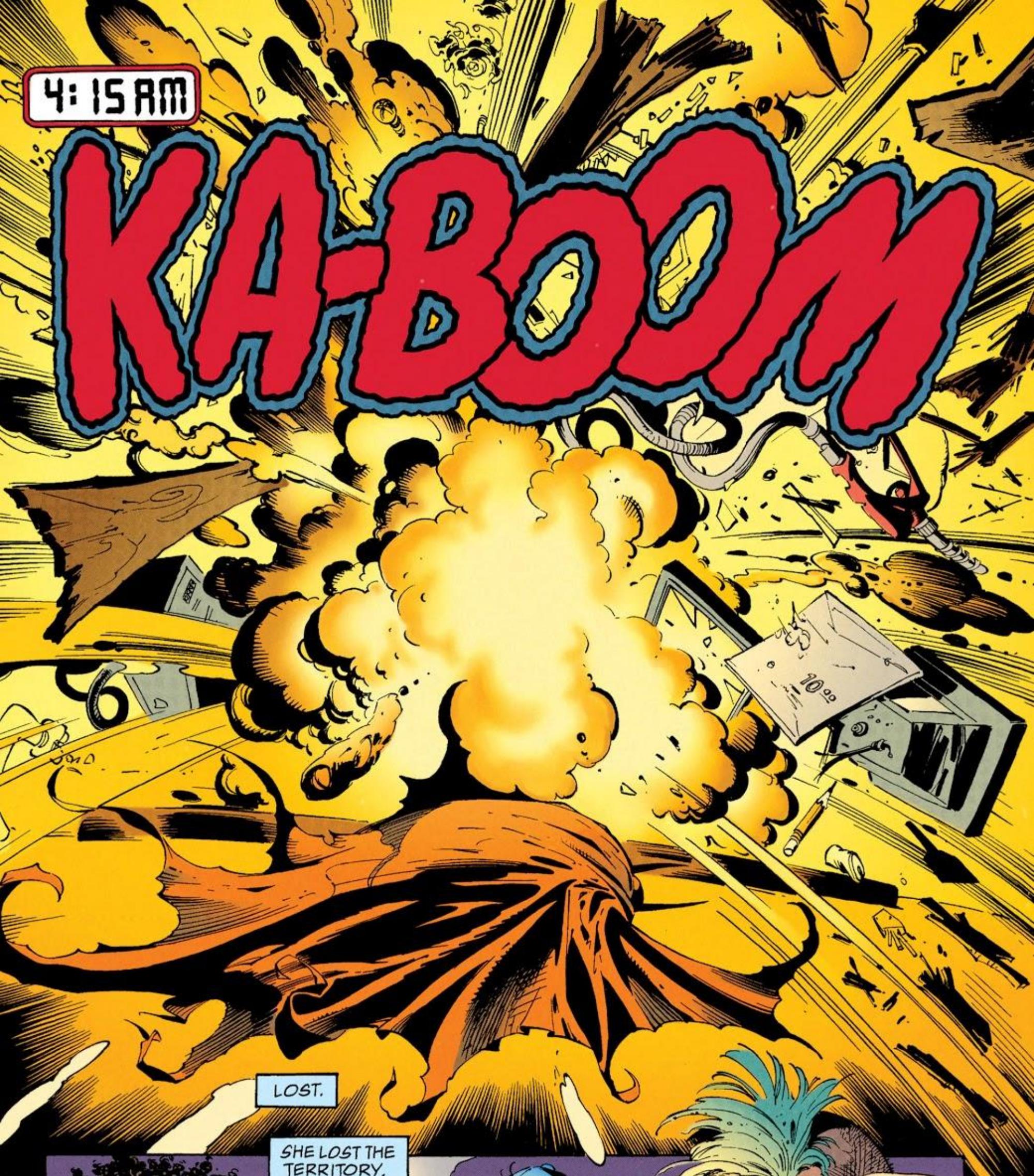






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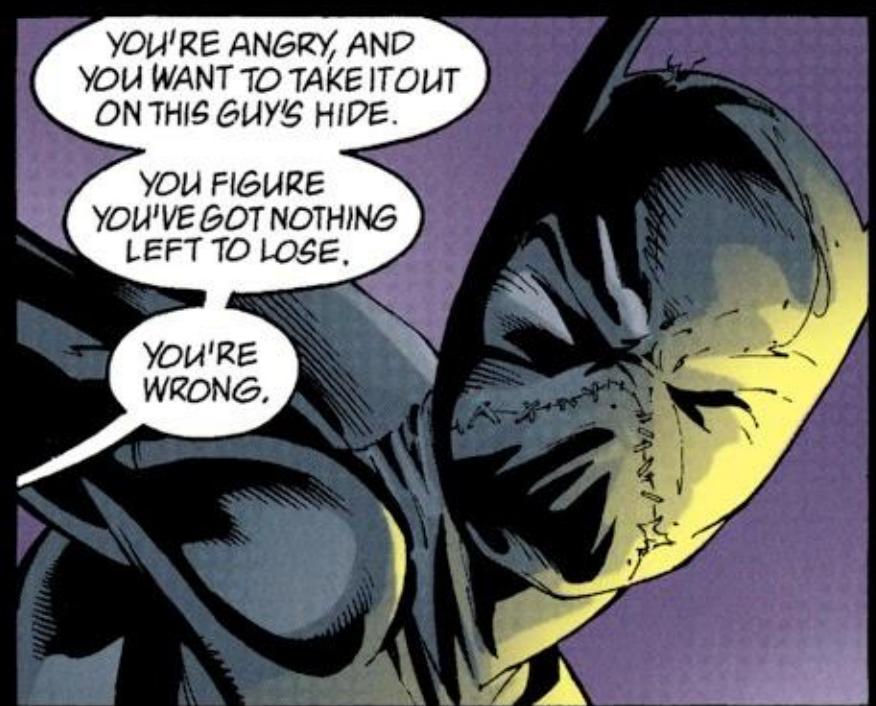
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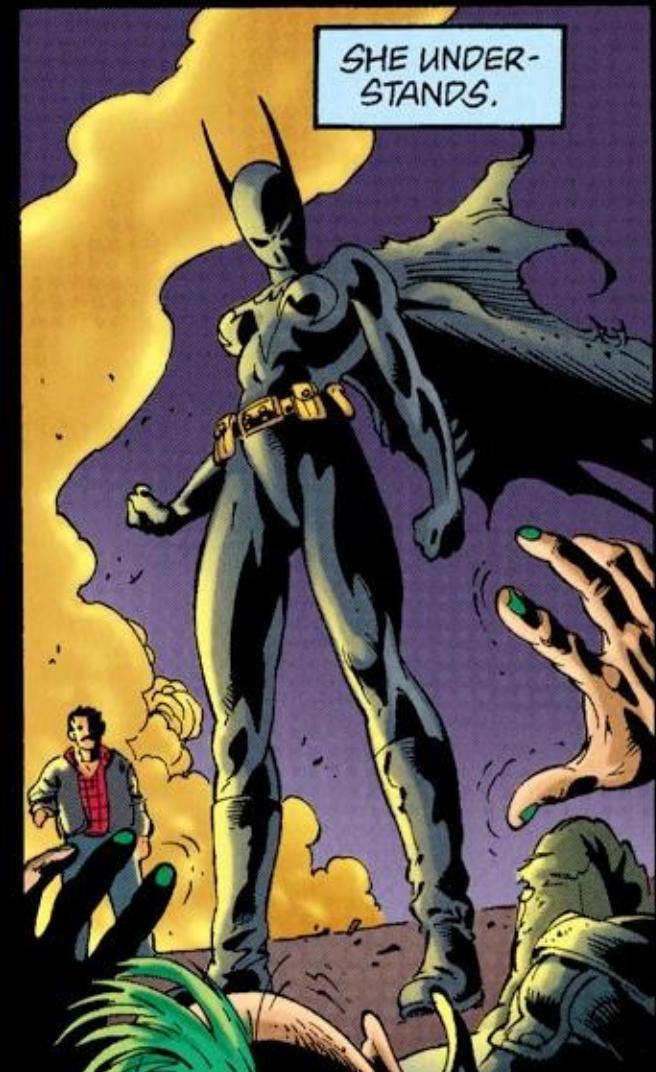
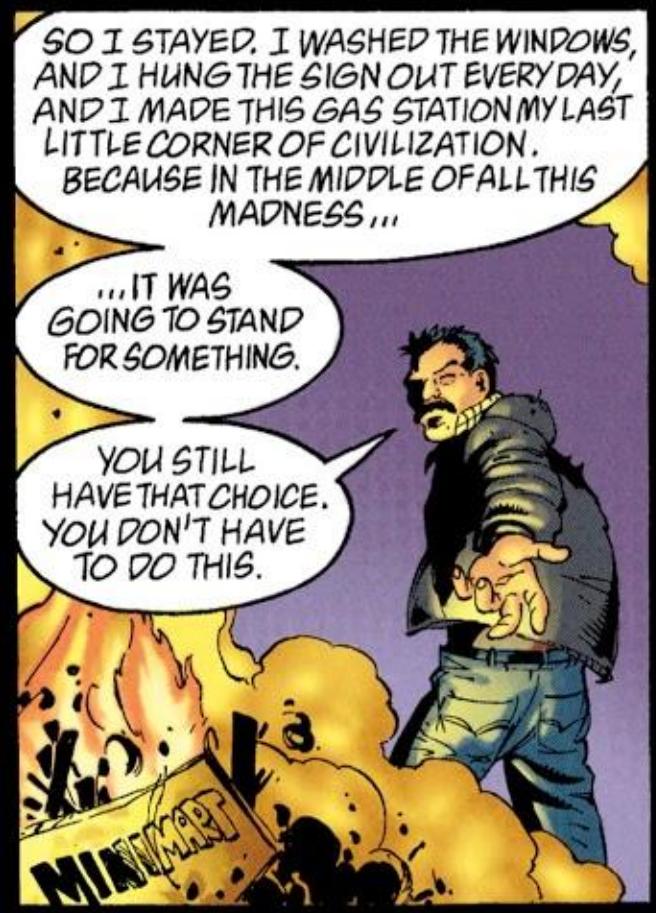


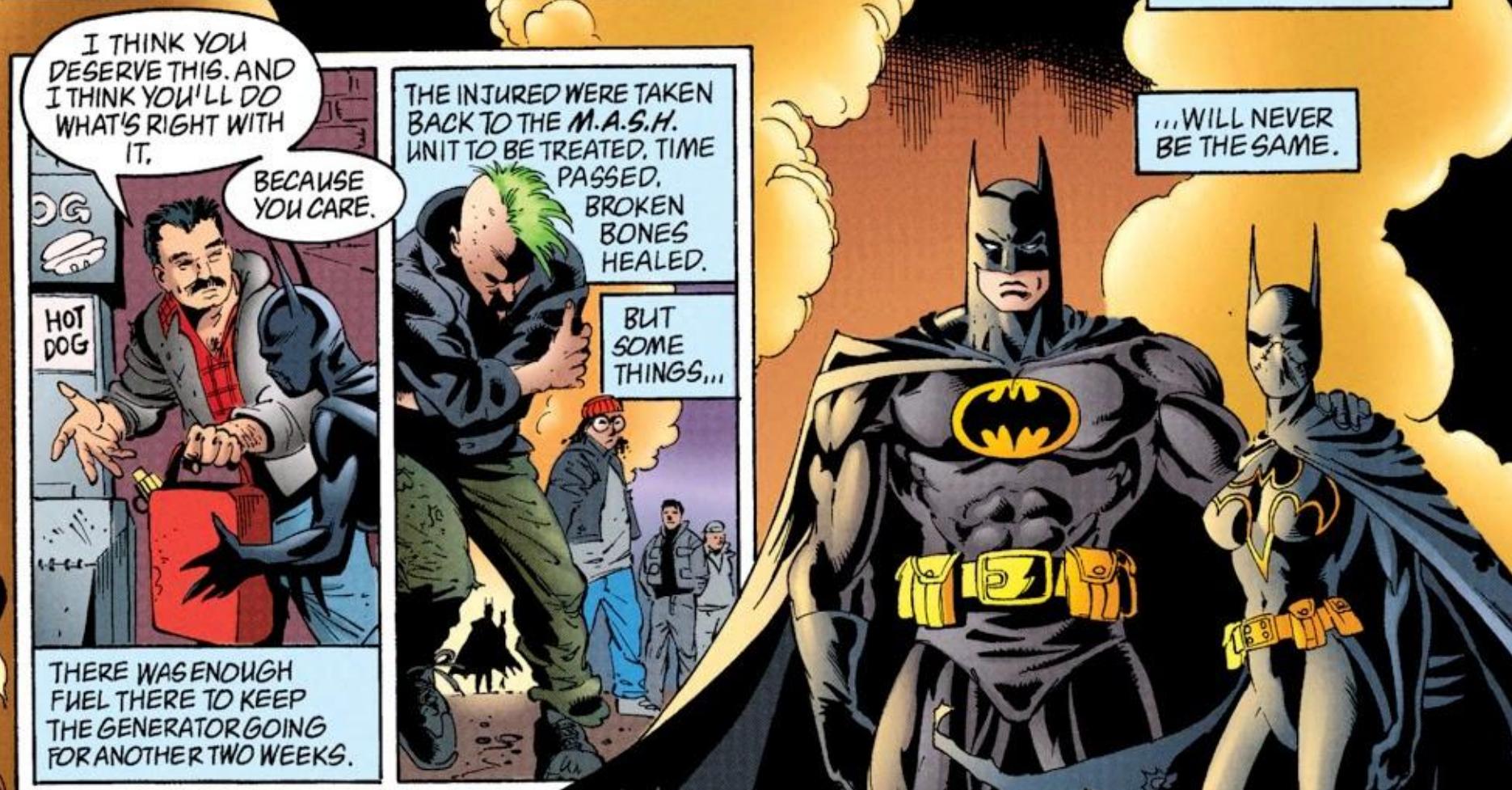
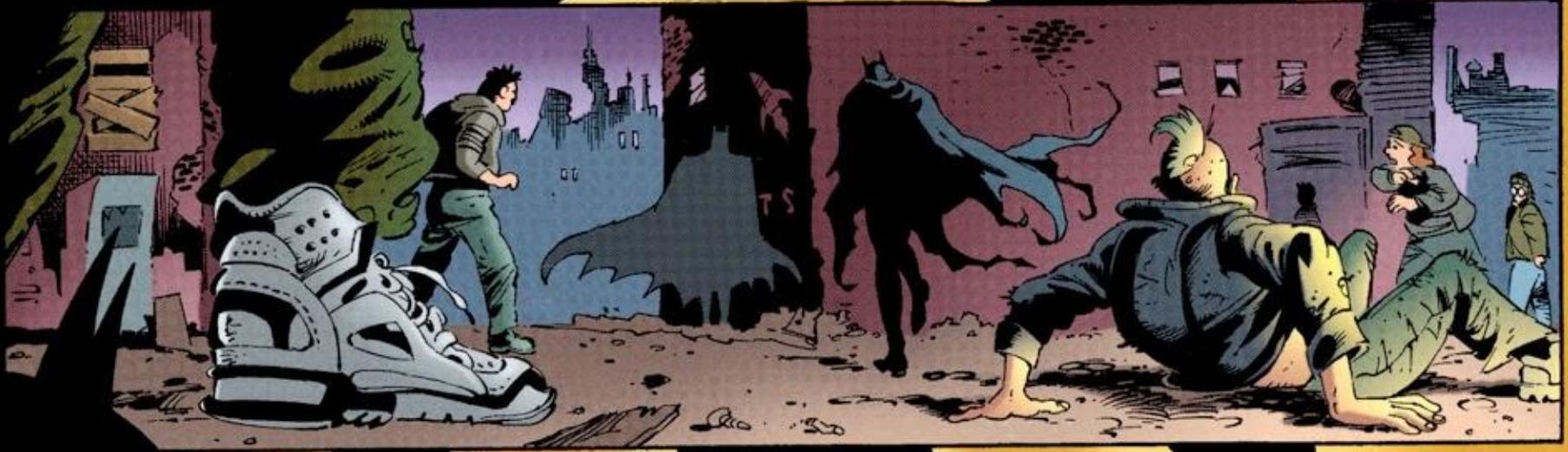
LOST.

SHE LOST THE
TERRITORY.

WHY?







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