

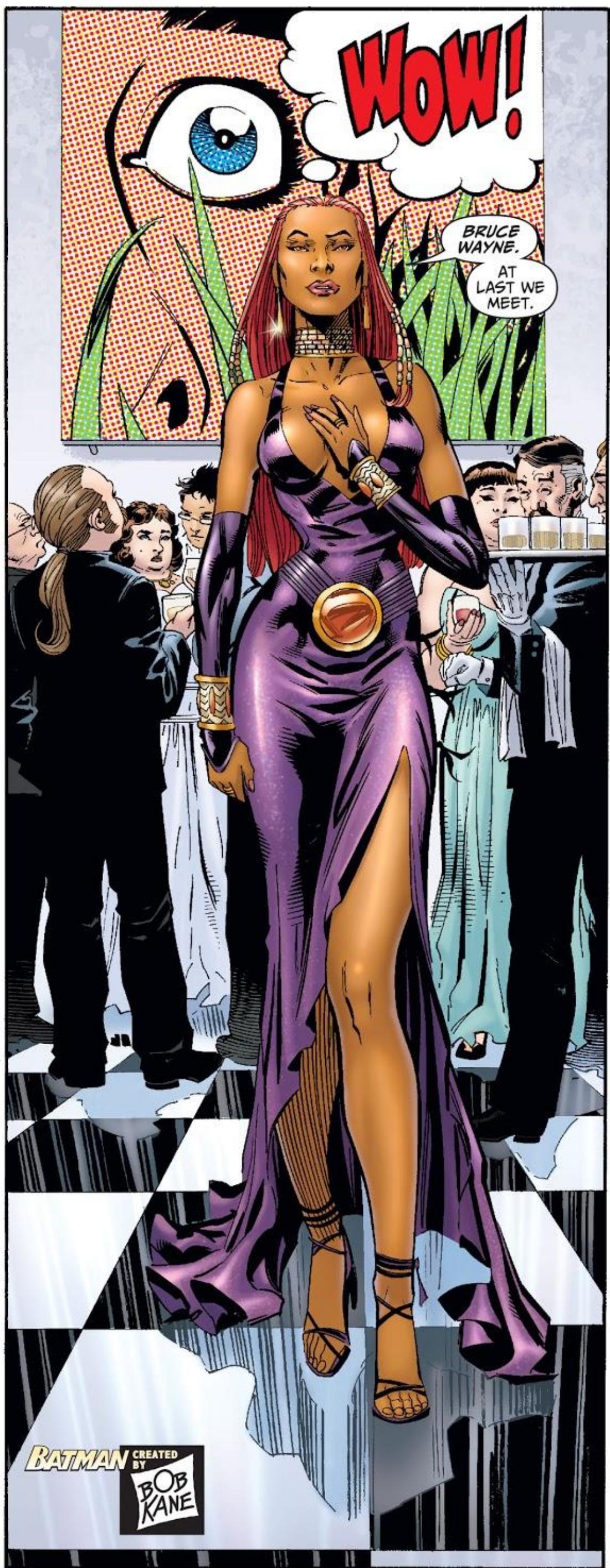


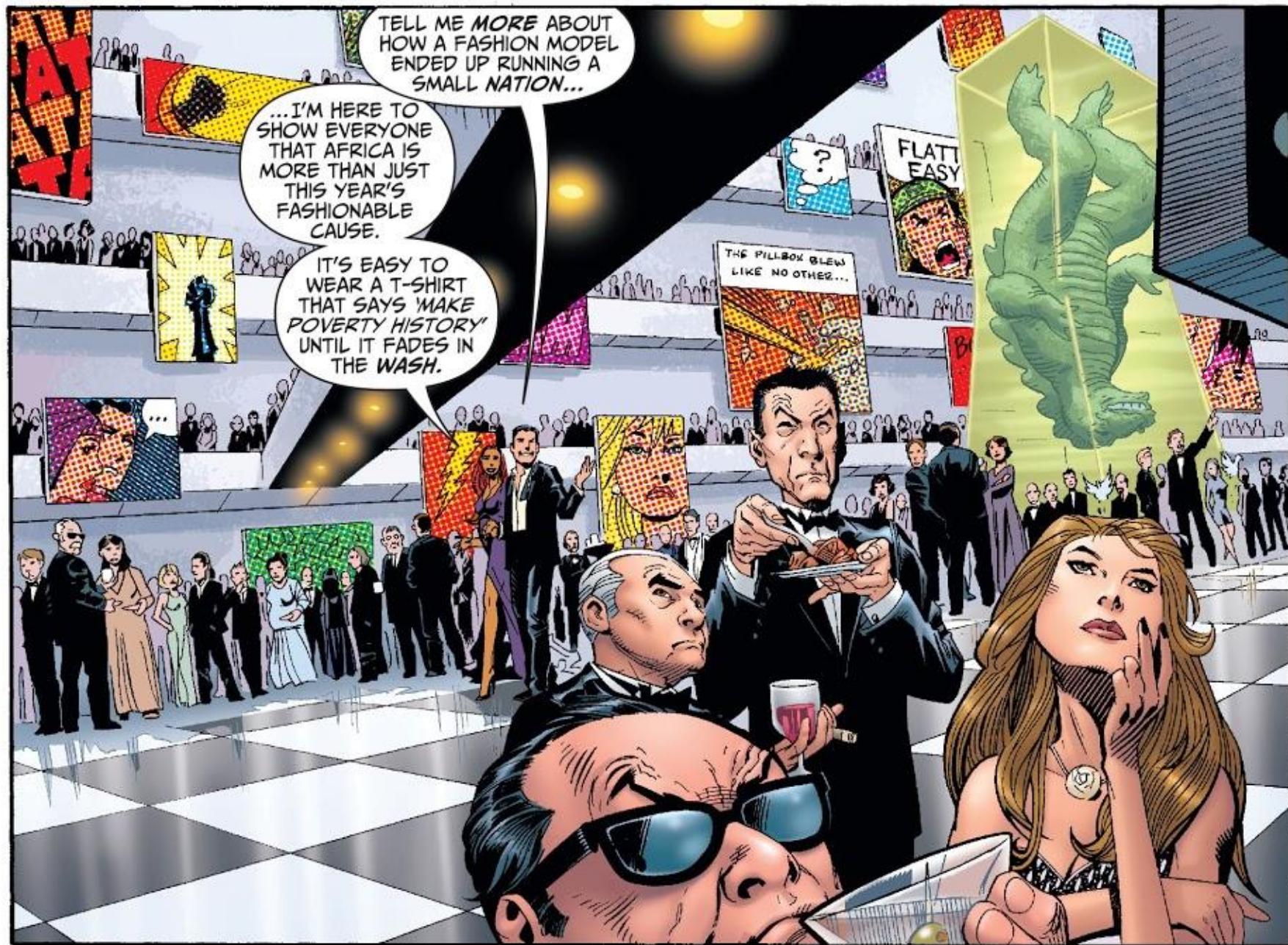
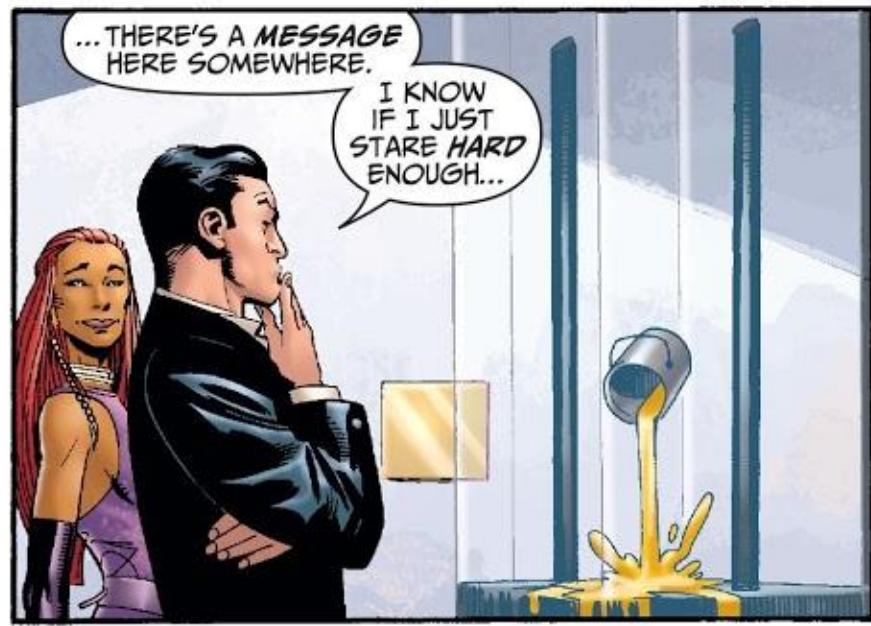
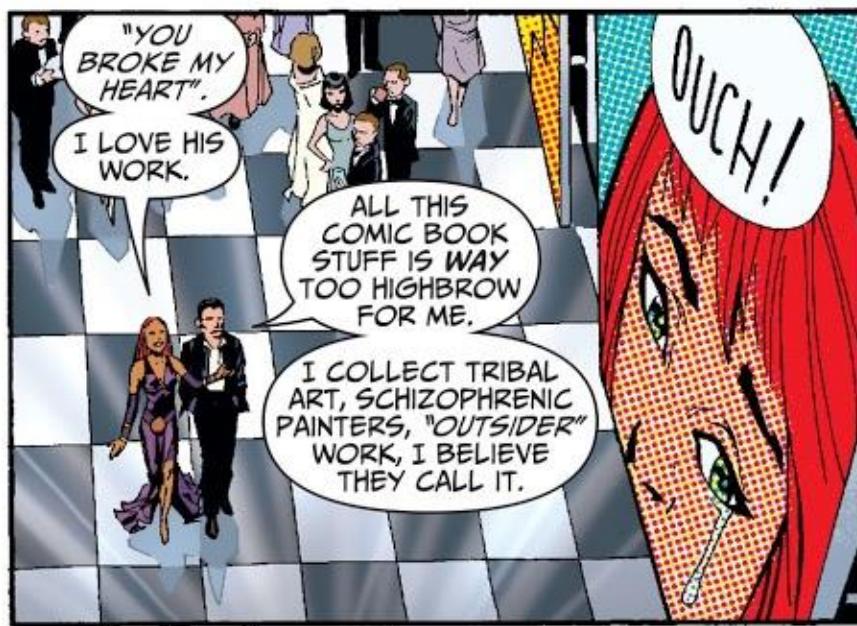
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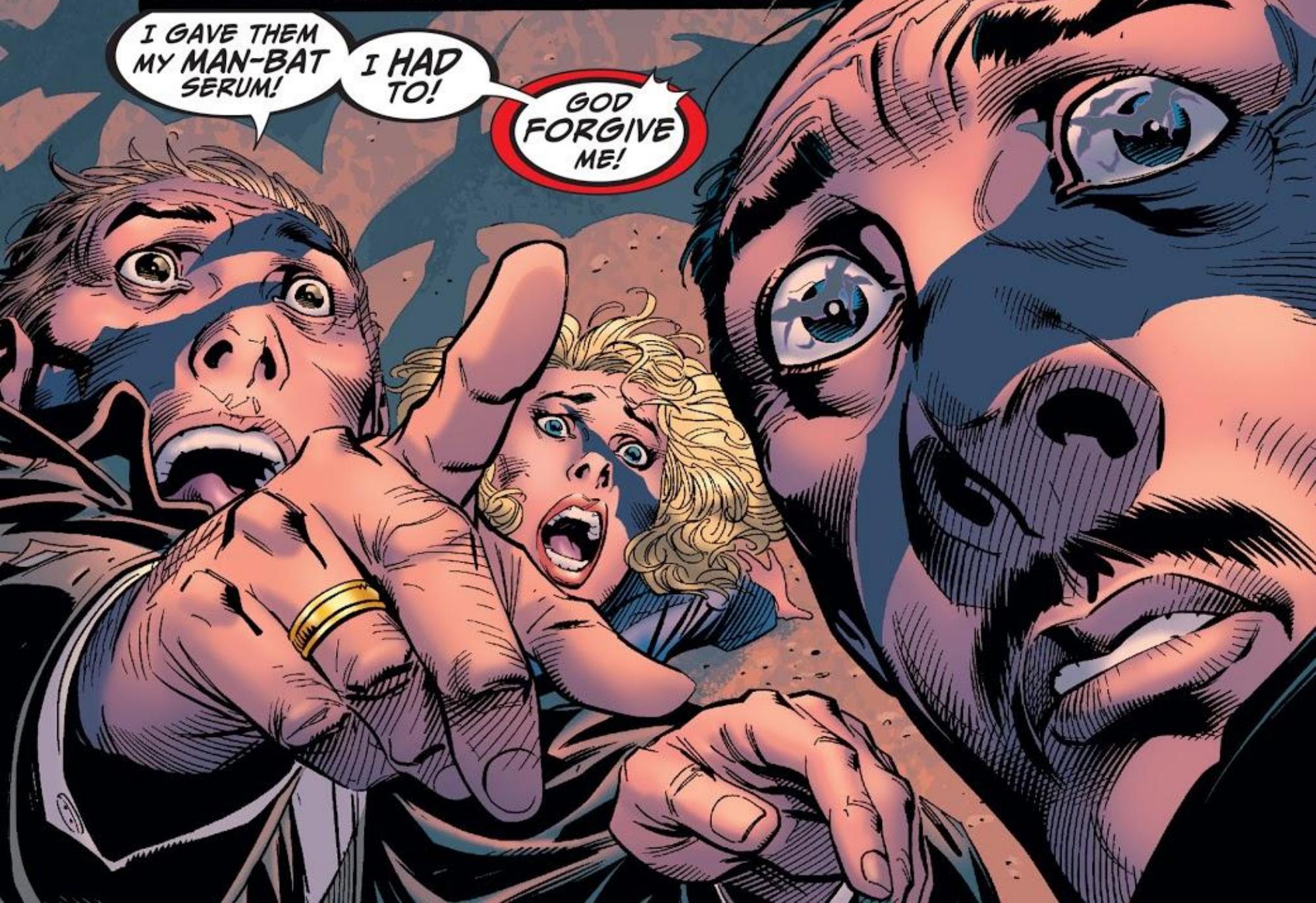
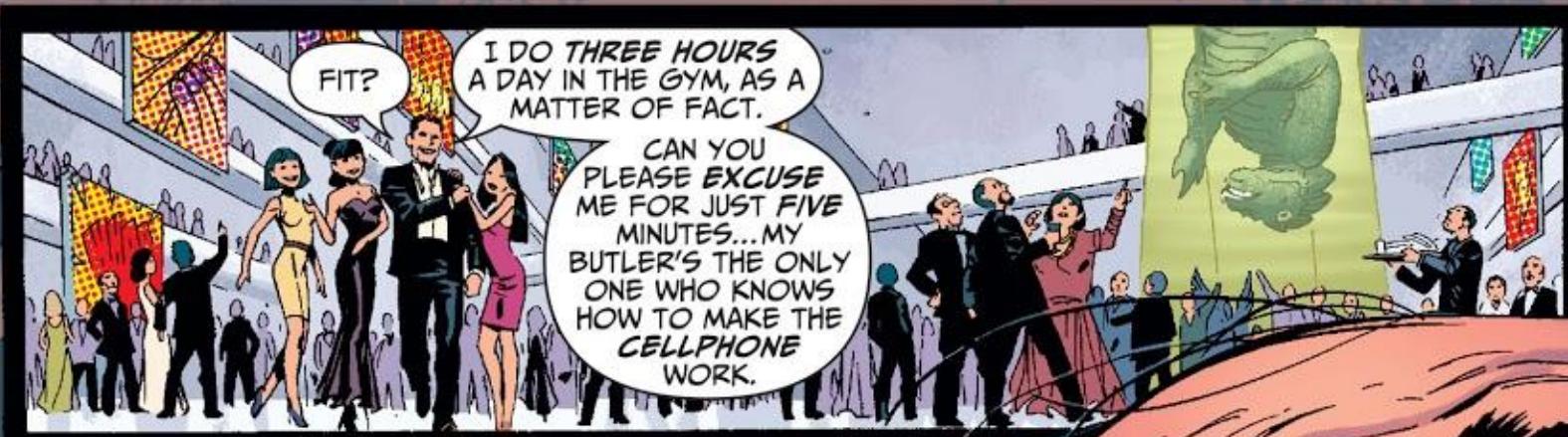




POPULATION EXPLOSION











THEY STINK OF WET  
CARPET, DOG  
BREATH AND INCENSE.

HOT.

SOUR.

SIX OF THEM.

OUCH!

FIVE.

OVER MY SHOULDER,  
THE SOUND OF  
LEATHERBOUND  
**BIBLES** OPENING  
AND CLOSING.

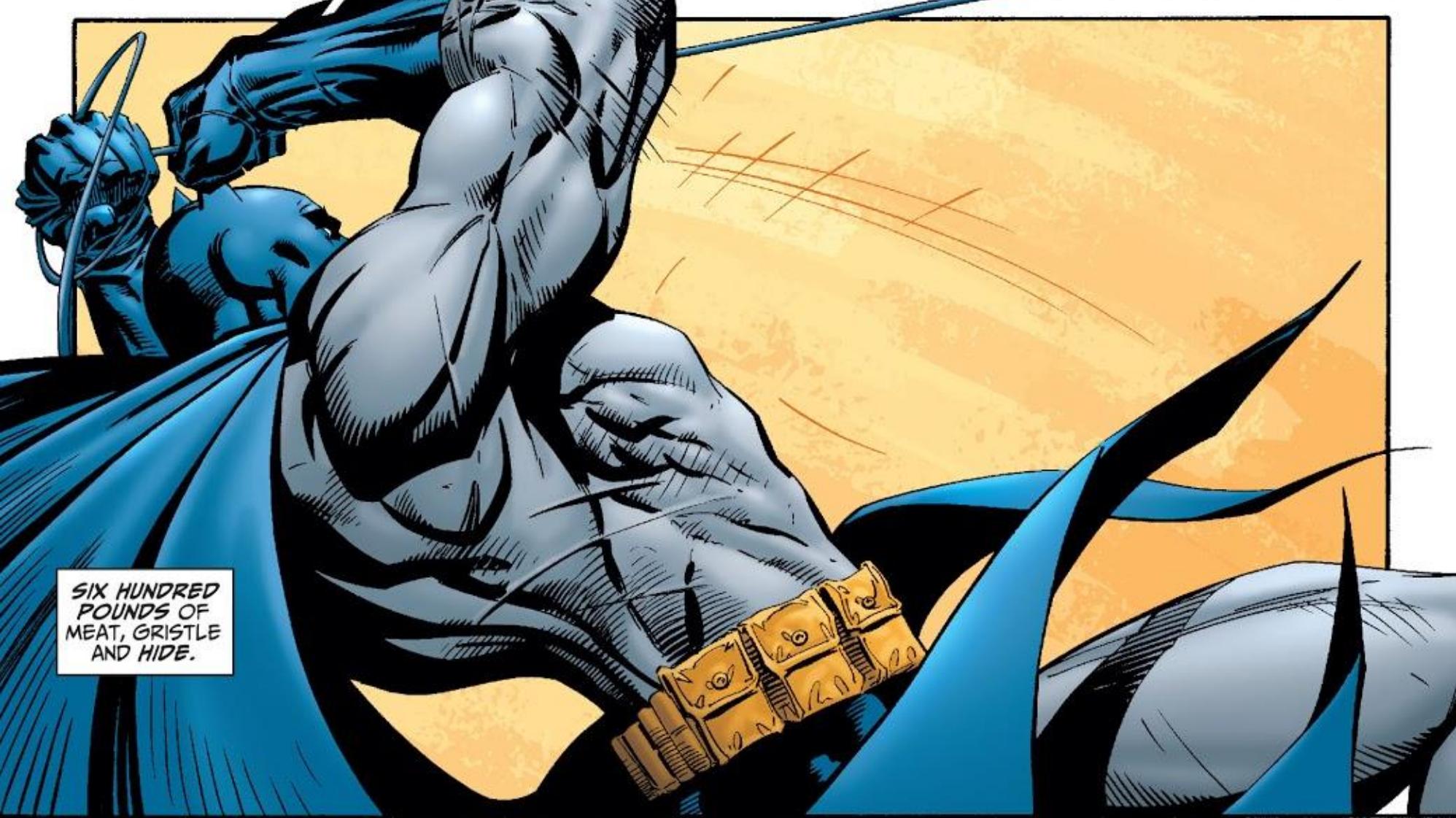
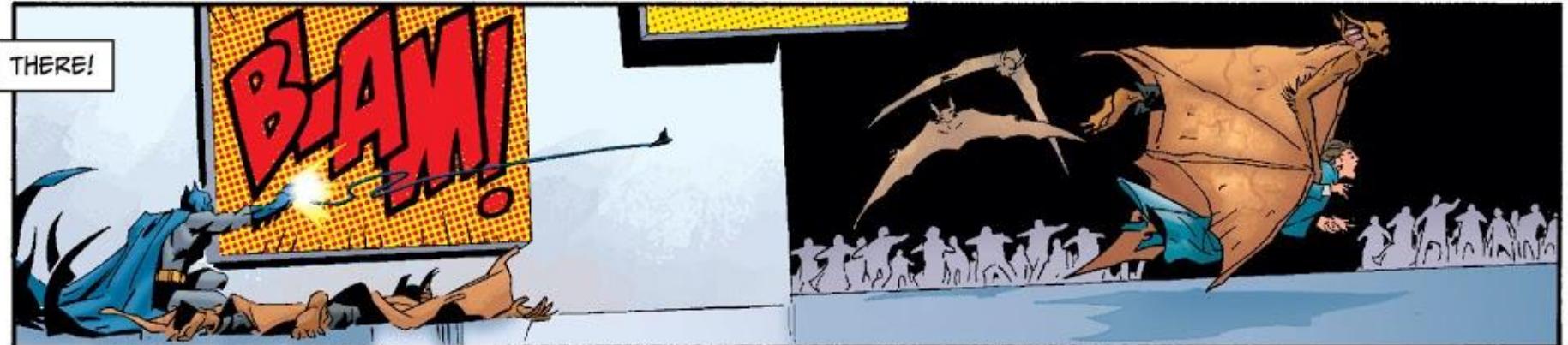
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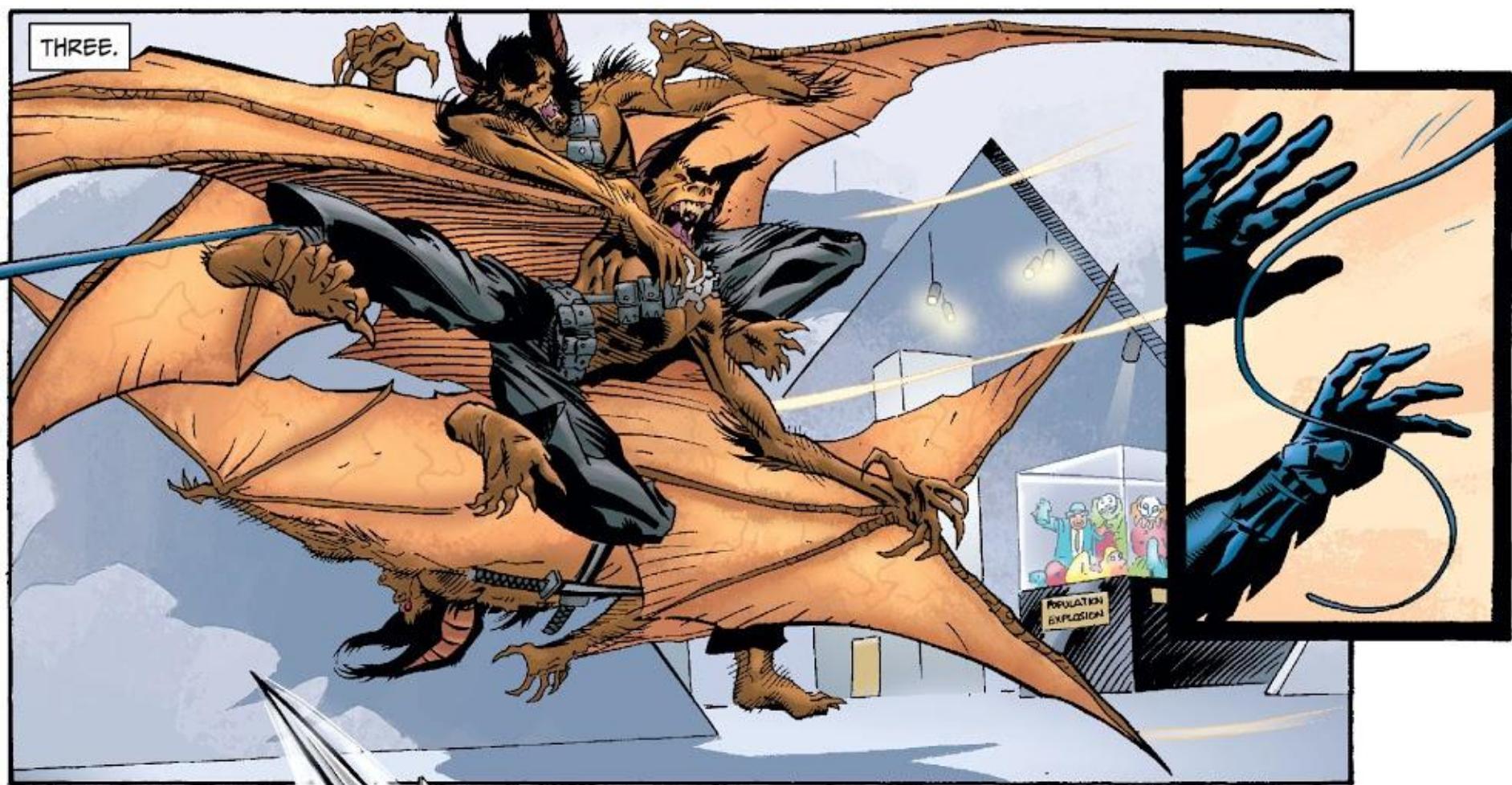
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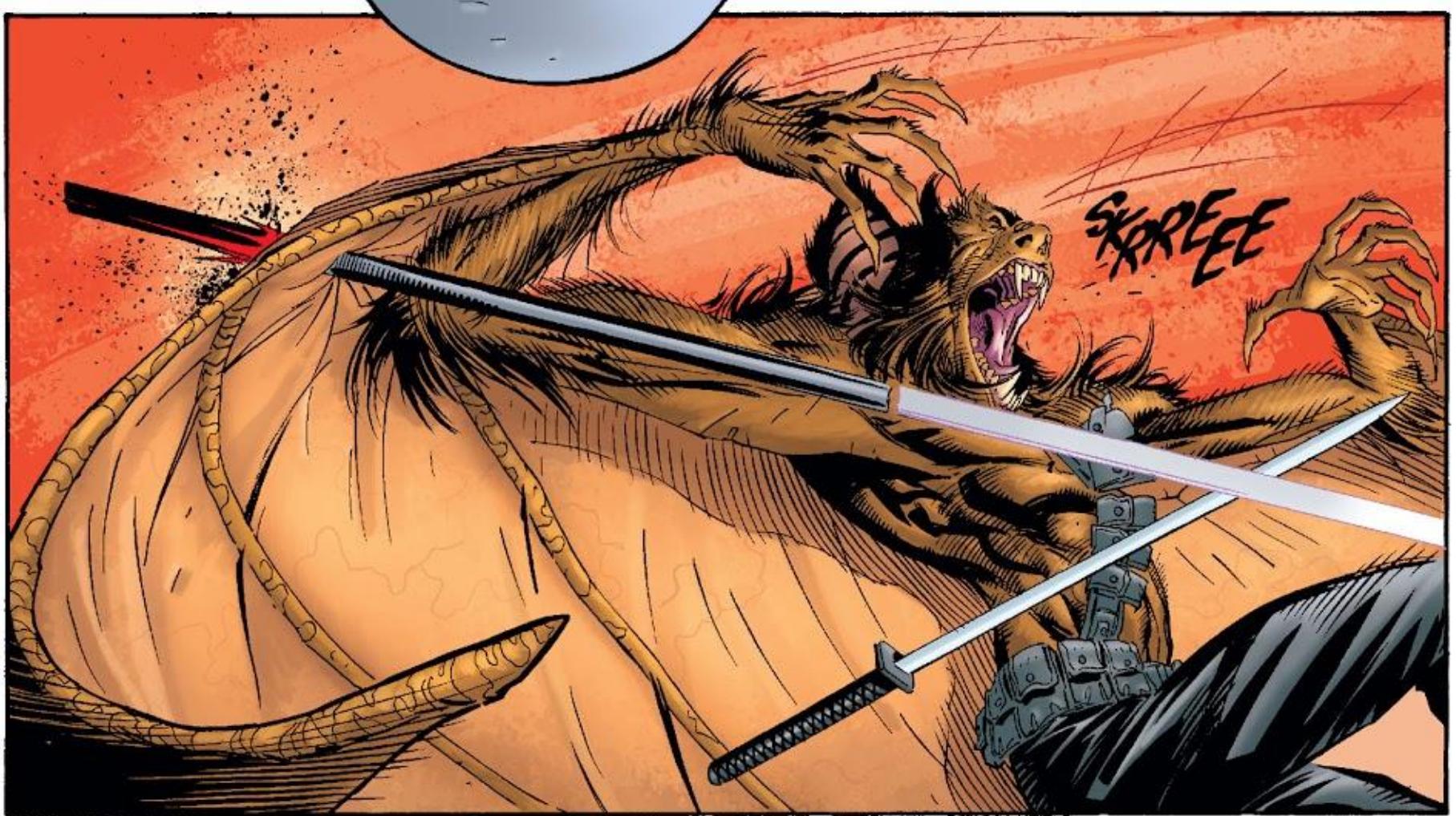
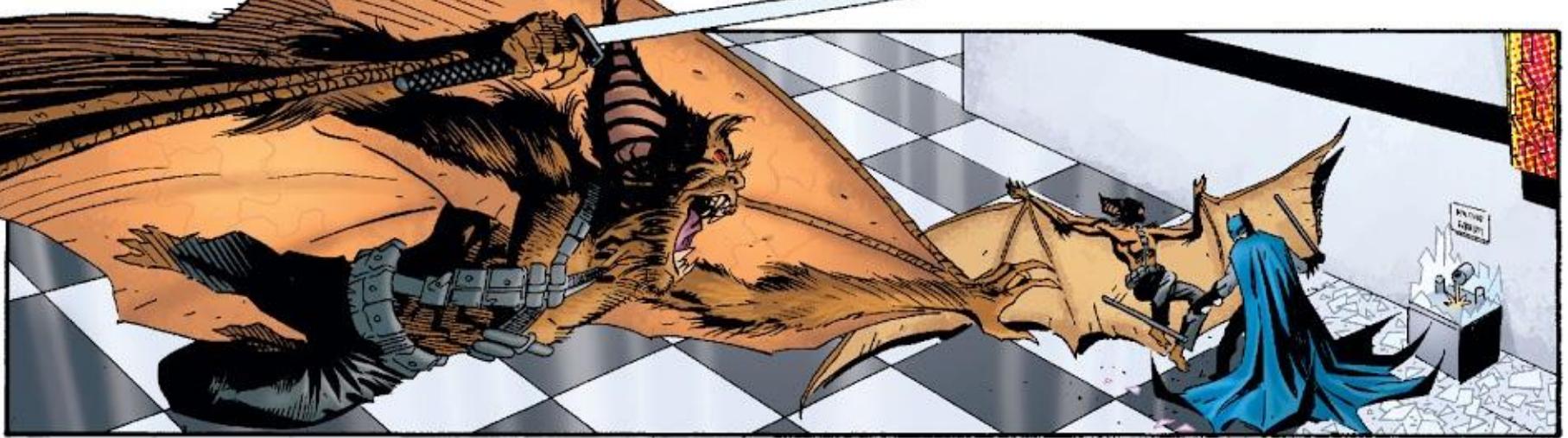
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LITTLE  
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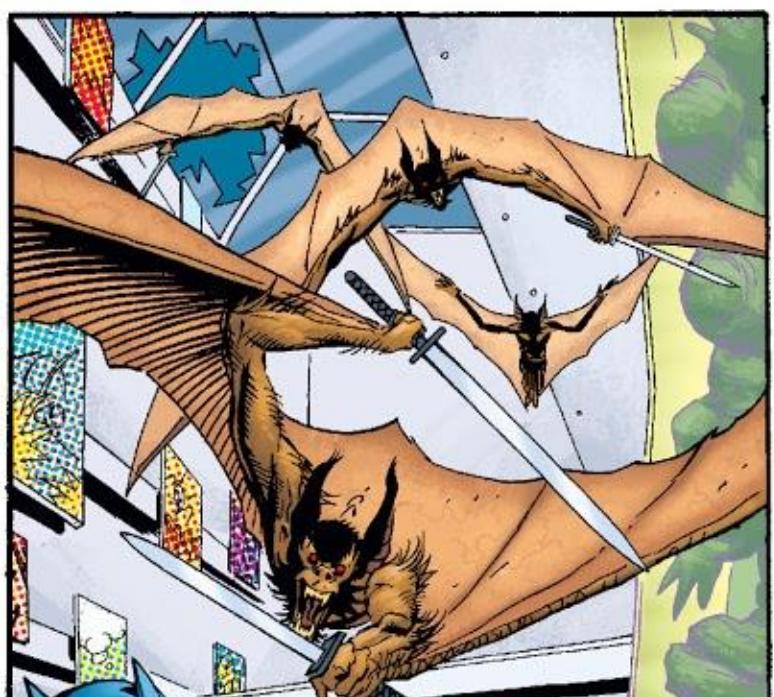
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HEAR ECHO-LOCATION SQUEAKS.

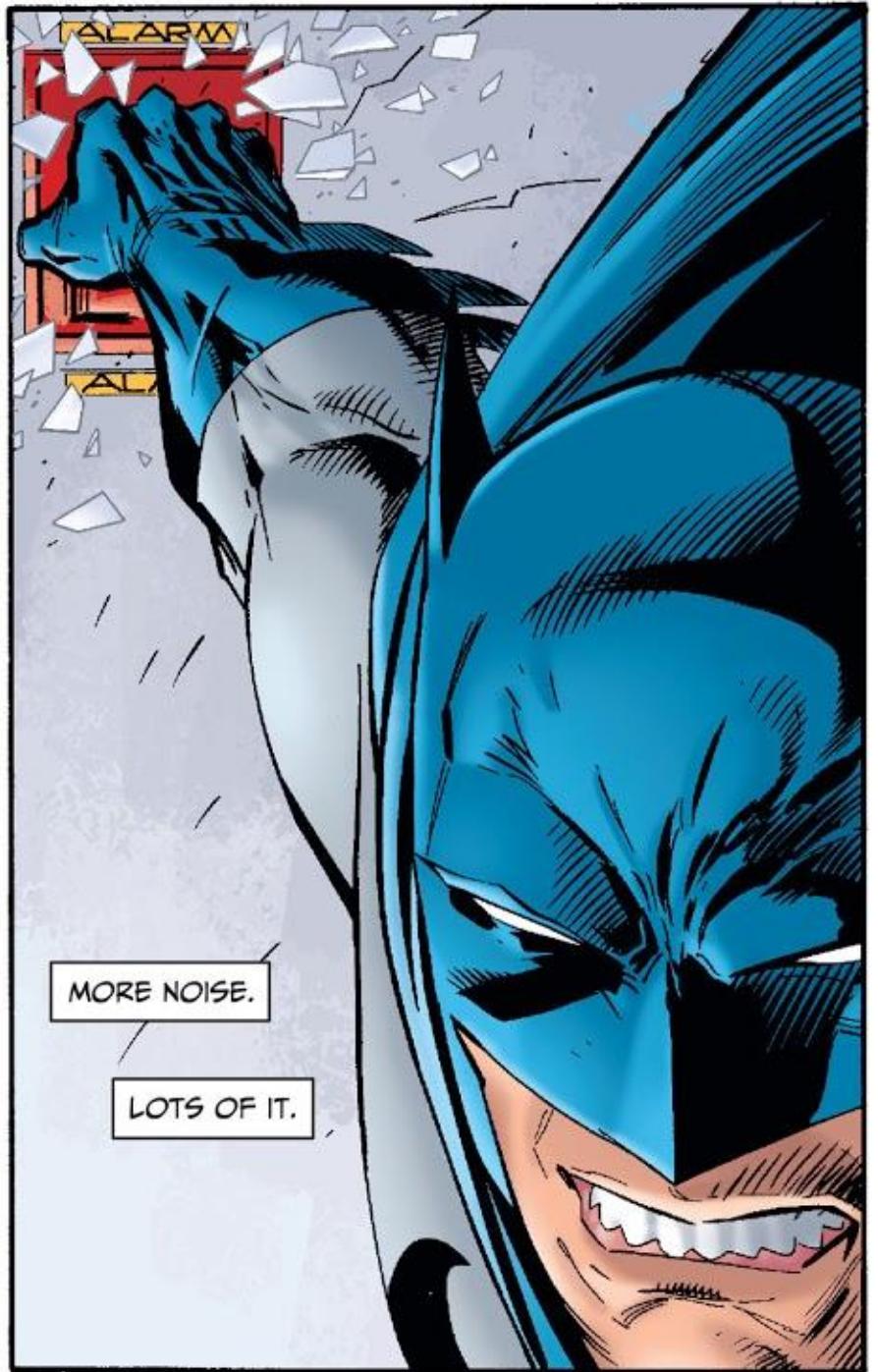
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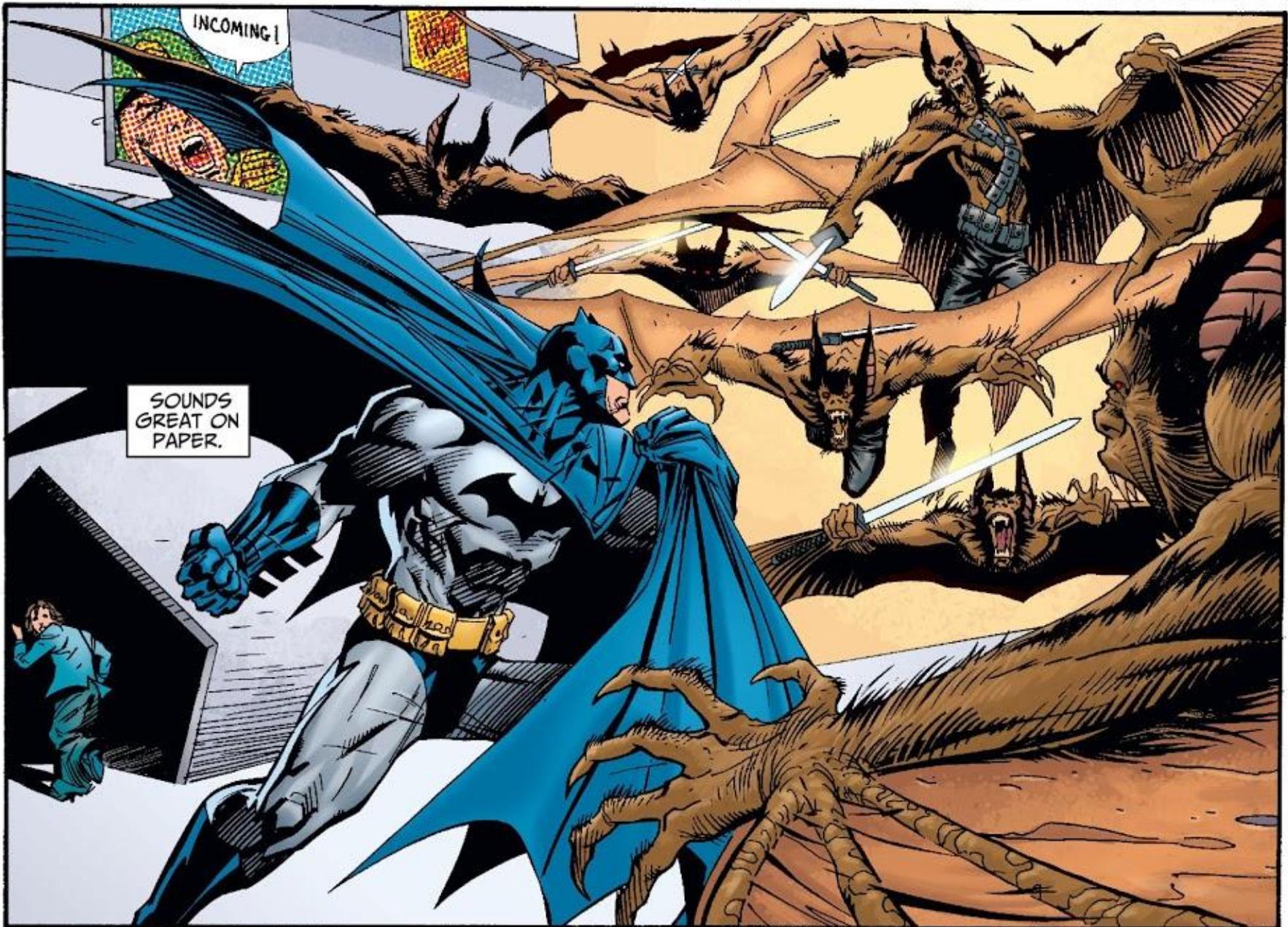
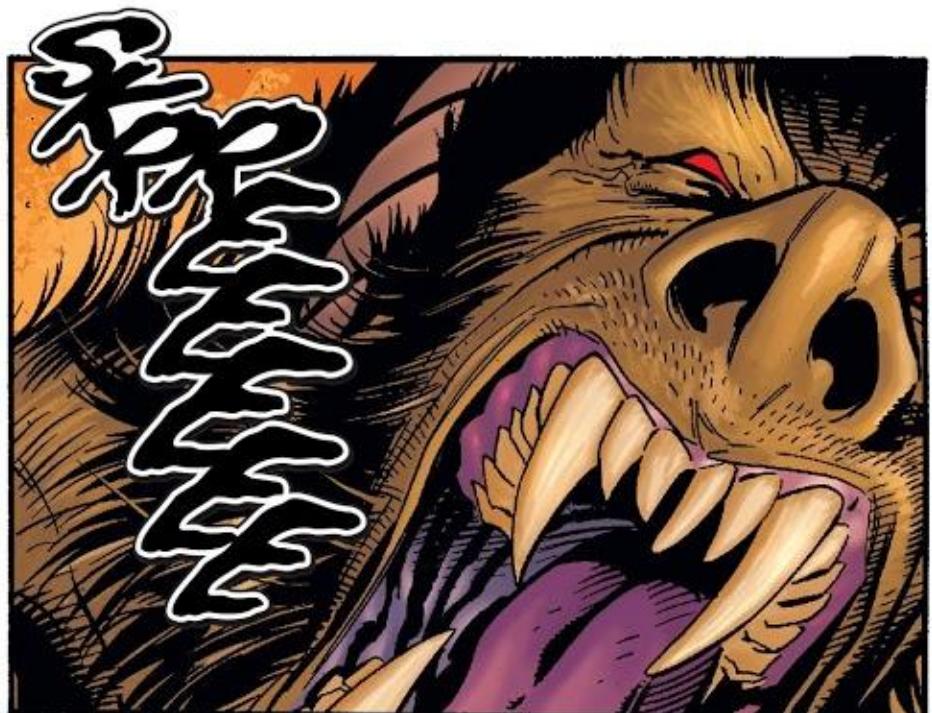


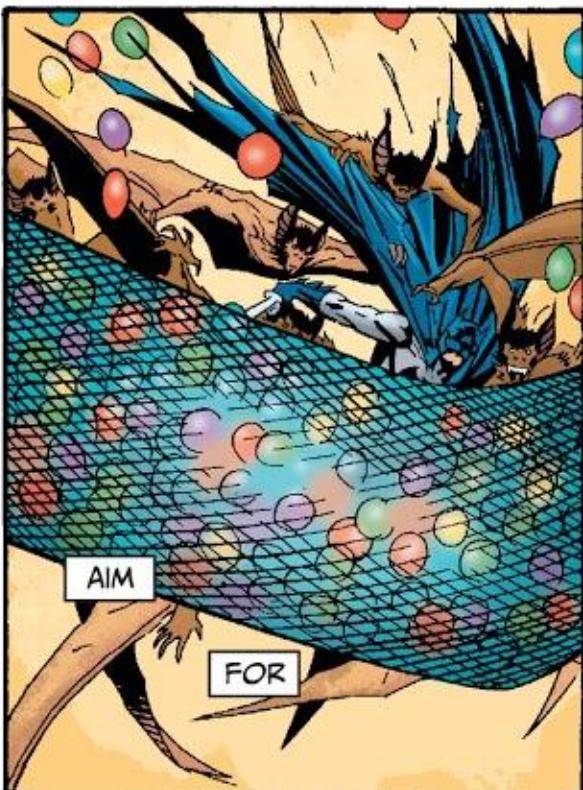
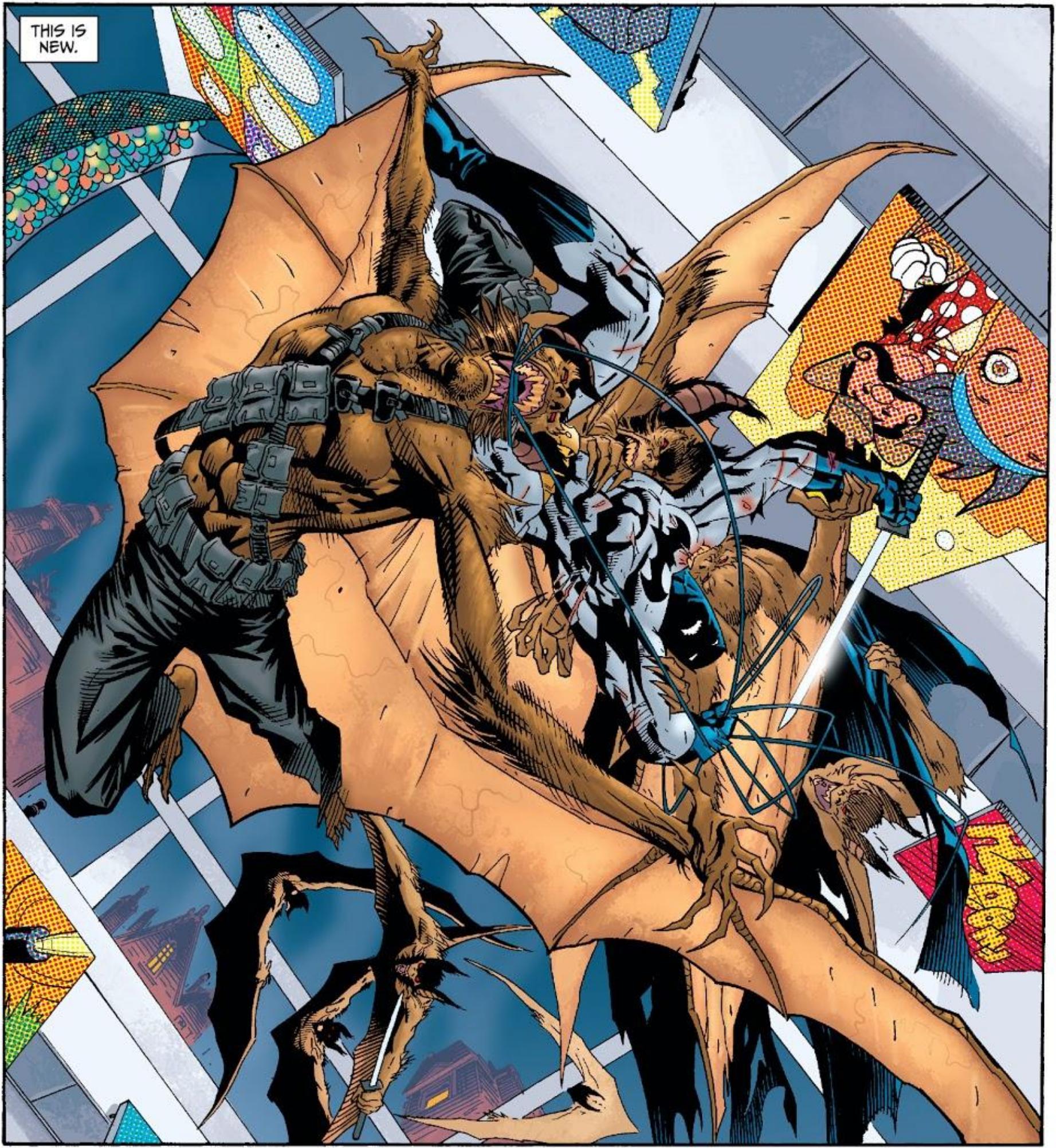


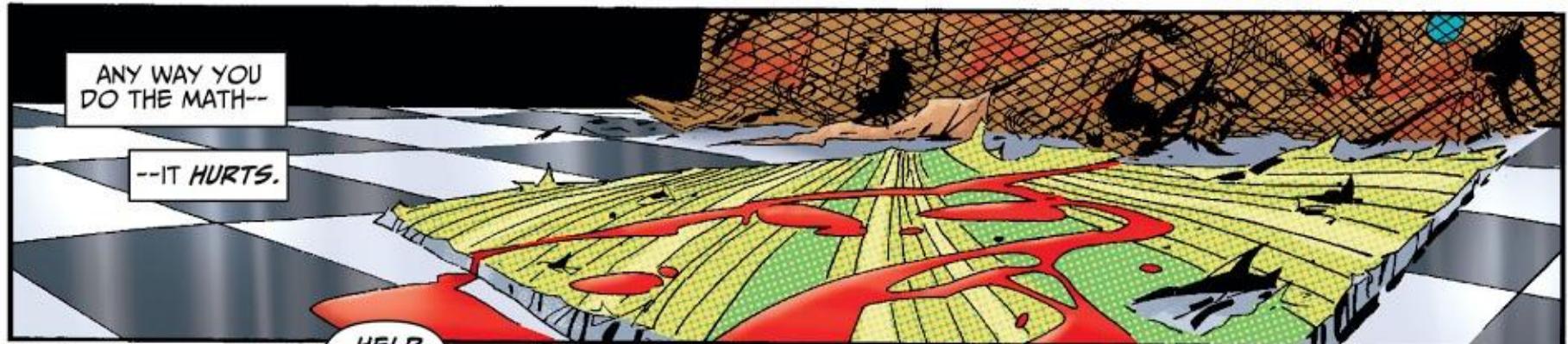
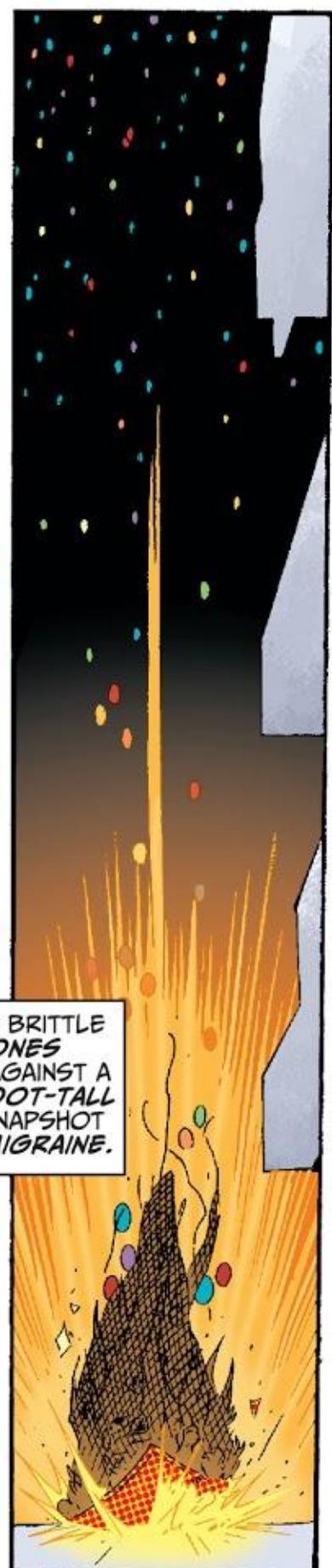


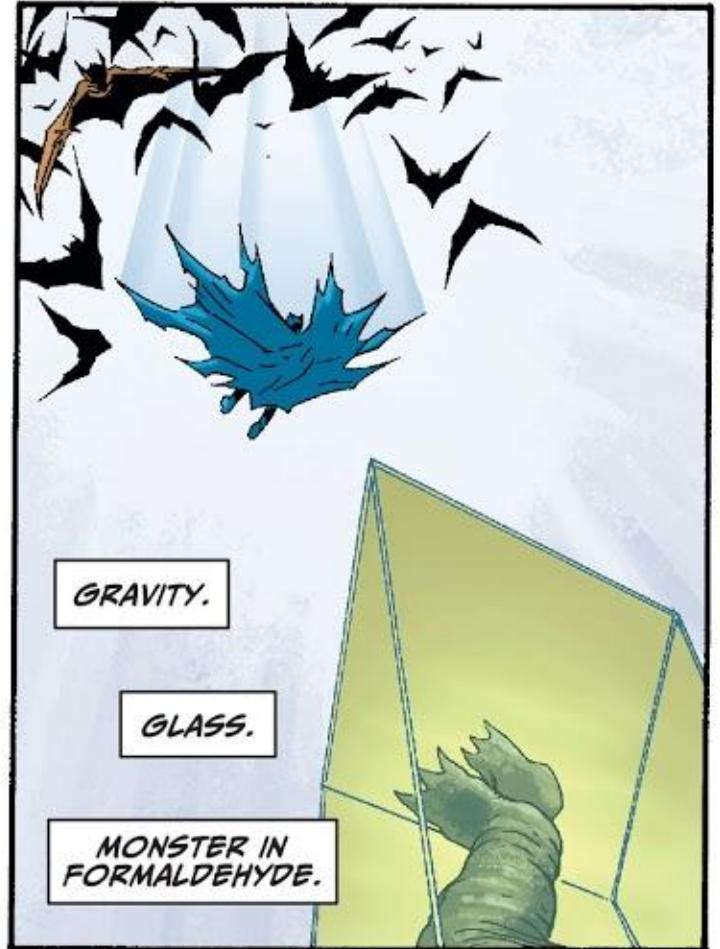






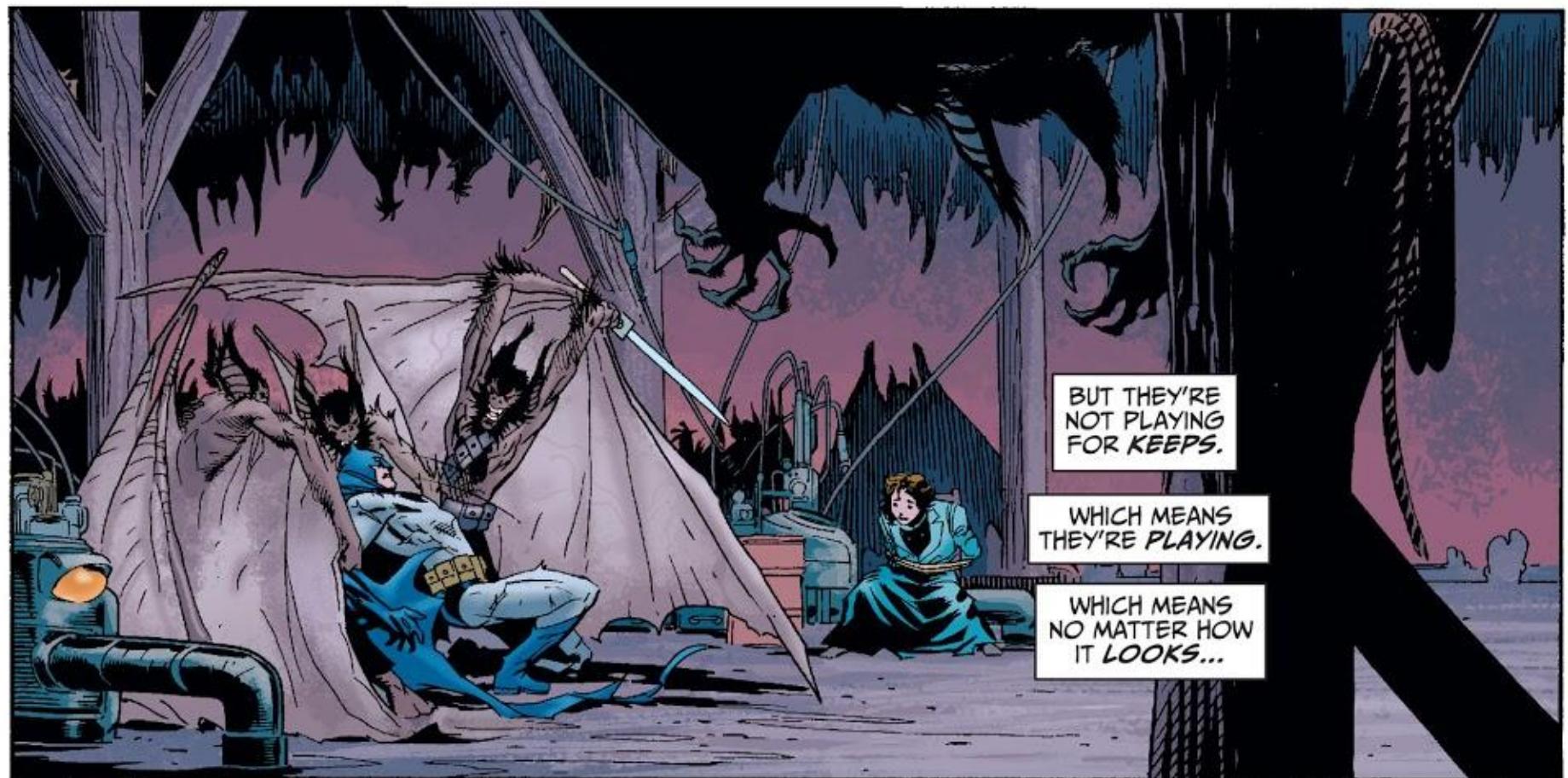






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AND I'D BE  
CONCERNED  
ABOUT THIS.



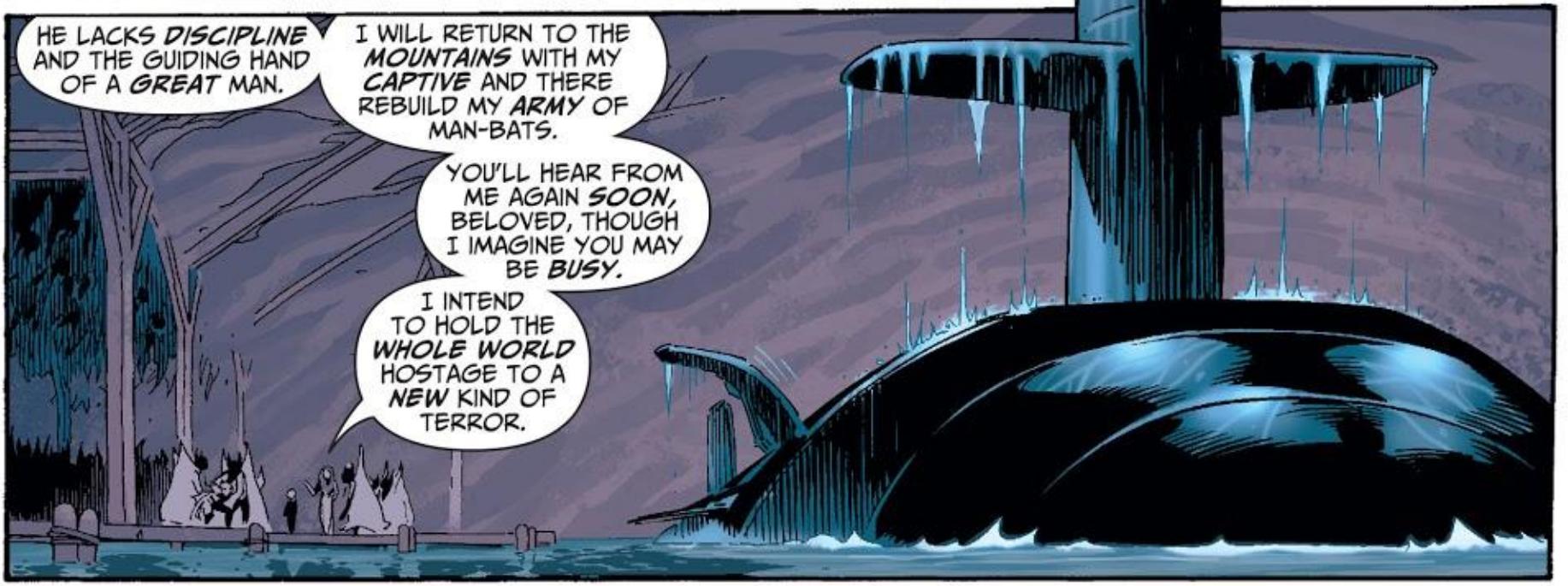
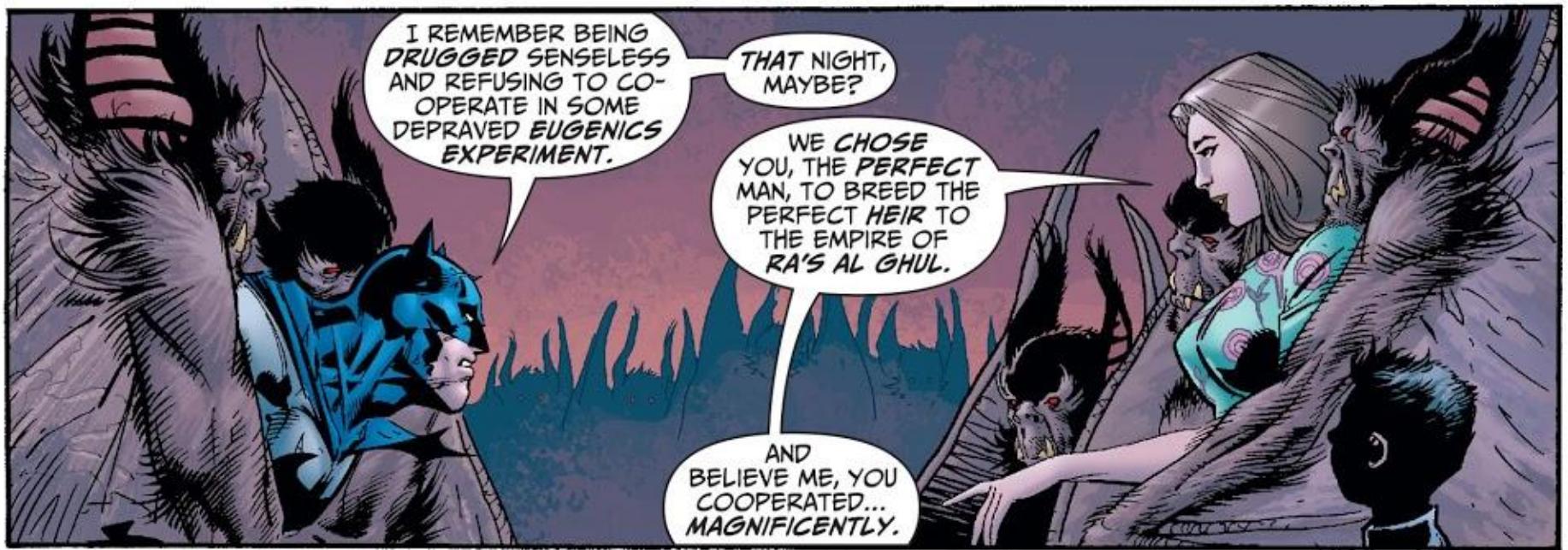
...SOMEBODY  
WANTS ME ALIVE.

AND ANY  
MINUTE NOW...

**STOP!**

HAD TO  
BE.





FATHER.

I IMAGINED  
YOU TALLER.