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**SHADOWS
OF THE
PAST**

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PRESENTS

EXILED PART 3

LOOK DOWN

WHO
ARE YOU?

I am BEN
REILLY.

WHO
ARE YOU?

How did I get here?
Where is here?

WHO
ARE YOU?

Head is pounding...
can't move... in so
much PAIN.

WHO
ARE YOU?

SEWARD?

I
SAID...

HOWARD
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WHO ARE YOU?

Seward called me... warned me of the explosion at his mountain cabin...

WHAT IS YOUR CONNECTION WITH SEWARD TRAINER?

Came back to the city... to his lab... to find him and got blindsided by those things attached to his files...

WHAT DO YOU KNOW OF HIS WORK? HIS FILES?

TALK TO ME!

Seward's in trouble.

DO NOT PASS OUT ON ME AGAIN.

Got to clear my head... got to find... Seward... can't let him down...

DO YOU HEAR ME?

CANT HOLD... ON... SO... SORRY... SEWARD.

I SAID DO NOT PASS OUT...

EVEN AS HIS MIND
FADES TO BLACK, BEN
REILLY FINDS HIMSELF
AWAKENING WITHIN
THE MEMORIES OF A
TIME LONG PAST.

TAKE IT
EASY, YOUNG
FELLA...

...YOU'RE
GOING TO BE
FINE.

THE
FEVER'S BROKEN,
BUT YOU'RE WEAK.
GOING TO BE FOR
A WHILE... I
SUSPECT.



WHERE
AM I? HOW...?
WHO...?

GUESS
YOU DON'T
REMEMBER TOO
MUCH, DO
YOU?

YOU'RE
IN VERMONT...
THIS IS MY PLACE...
AND MY NAME
IS SEWARD
TRAINER.



Oh,
YEAH...

I'M SORRY
ABOUT THE WAY
I ACTED AT THE
INN. IF THERE
ARE ANY
DAMAGES...

DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT. YOU
WERE SICK, LAD.
CLOSER TO
DYING THAN I'D
LIKE TO THINK.
ANYONE WOULD
HAVE ACTED THE
SAME IN YOUR
CONDITION.

THERE'S A BATH-
ROOM THROUGH
THERE. TOWELS,
SOAP, SCISSORS,
A RAZOR AND
SOME OLD
CLOTHES OF MINE
YOU CAN WEAR...
IF YOU WANT
THEM. IT'S UP
TO YOU.

THANK...



■ FOR COMPLETE DETAILS
OF SEWARD AND BEN'S
MEETING, SEE AMAZING
SPIDER-MAN #405 - 406.





...YOU... SEWARD.



YEARRG!

Electricity...

YOU CAN'T HELP HIM BY KEEPING SILENT!

...muscles are spasming...

TRAINER IS MINE! WHAT HE KNOWS WILL BE MINE!

Can't... take... much... more --

TELL ME WHAT YOU KNOW...



...AND THE PAIN WILL...



...STOP.

WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS TO ME?

FINALLY I LEARN WHO I REALLY AM! I FINALLY GET MY SENSE OF SELF BACK... AND NOW YOU'RE TRYING TO RIP IT ALL AWAY FROM ME.



TRYING TO HARM THE ONE MAN WHO WAS WILLING TO REACH OUT TO ME WHEN NO ONE ELSE WOULD... WHEN I WOULDN'T REACH OUT TO MYSELF.



WHY?



THIS
HAS NOTHING
TO DO WITH
YOU.

I WANT
TRAINER'S
COMPLETE DATA
BANK.



DON'T
YOU PASS OUT
ON ME AGAIN. YOU
SLEEP WHEN I SAY
YOU CAN SLEEP!
NOW LOOK...

...I WANT
YOU TO SEE
WHAT IS AT
STAKE.



DOES THE
GENTLEMAN LOOK
FAMILIAR?



SEWARD?

YES...
AND HE DOES
APPEAR TO BE IN
DIRE STRAITS...
DOESN'T HE?



HIS AIR
IS RUNNING OUT,
BUT DON'T WORRY...
HE'LL PROBABLY
BE DROWNED
FIRST.



THAT
IS... UNLESS
YOU GIVE ME
THAT WHICH I
SEEK.



I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
YOU'RE TALKING
ABOUT! LET HIM
GO! FOR THE
LOVE OF --

NOW
YOU CAN
SLEEP.

ELSEWHERE...

NOT LONG AGO, THE MAN WHO CALLS HIMSELF PETER PARKER BELIEVED HIS FUTURE WAS SET.

AND THEN CAME THE REVELATION THAT HE WAS A CLONE OF THE MAN HE BELIEVED HIMSELF TO BE.

NOW...

...HE CAN ONLY WONDER ABOUT WHAT THE FUTURE WILL HOLD.

PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS, TIGER.

MARY JANE, I --

LET'S NOT SPOIL THE MOMENT, PETER. LET'S JUST STAND HERE AND BE TOGETHER.

YES.

LET'S.

PETER? YOUR BODY... IT'S SO TENSE... ARE YOU OKAY?

KRAK

PETER?

Huh? WHAT?

I SAID IS ANYTHING WRONG?

SORRY... MUST HAVE SPACED OUT.

TRUST ME... NOTHING WILL EVER BE WRONG AS LONG AS WE'RE TOGETHER.

"NOW LET'S JUST STAND HERE AND LOOK AT THE MOON."

HIGH ABOVE
ANOTHER PART
OF THE CITY...

HIS NAME IS ADRIAN
TOOMBS. HE IS ALSO
KNOWN AS...

...THE
VULTURE.



ONCE, NOT SO LONG AGO,
TOOMBS WAS AN OLD MAN
WHO WAS NEARING THE END
OF HIS LIFE.

BUT THEN, USING A DEVICE
CALLED A JUVENATOR... HE
WAS ABLE TO STEAL THE
LIFE FORCE OF ANOTHER
AND RESTORE HIS LONG-
LOST YOUTH.

NOW HE FINDS
THE EFFECTS OF
HIS NEFARIOUS
DEVICE SLOWLY
FADING.



ONCE
AGAIN...



... THE
VULTURE
HUNTS.



TOOMBS IS DETERMINED
TO HAVE THE NEEDED LIFE
FORCE... DETERMINED TO
BE YOUNG AND STRONG...
DETERMINED...

...TO KILL.



FOR MORE ON
THE VULTURE, SEE
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WARNING! CORE
DECAY ACCELERATED!
OVERLOAD IMMINENT!

AND
THEN *MAYBE* I
CAN SHUT DOWN
THE ENERGY CORE
AND SAVE THE
REST OF THE
SYSTEM.



THIS IS
THE ACCESS
TUNNEL... IF I CAN
GET THROUGH THE
SMOKE... I'LL BE ABLE
TO TRIGGER A MANUAL
DOWNLOADING TO
MY BACK-UP
SYSTEM.



Omigod! THE
BLASTED
THING IS
SEALED
SHUT!



THE
MAGNETIC
SEAL WON'T
BREAK WITHOUT
ANY POWER. THIS
THING IS NOT
OPENING.



LET
ME GIVE IT
A TRY.



DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME,
BOY? IT'S A MAGNETIC
SEAL. WE'D NEED TO
BLAST THE THING OFF
IT'S HINGES TO EVEN
BLUDGE IT...



GOT
IT.

HOW
THE -- ?

WE
CAN TALK
ABOUT IT LATER.
RIGHT NOW, WE'VE
GOT WORK TO DO.

THE SCARLET SPIDER
EMERGES FROM THE
DREAM OF THE PAST...

...ONLY TO BE
CONFRONTED
WITH THE GRIM
REALITY OF
THE PRESENT.

Seward.

I won't let
this happen
to you.

Not after all
you did for me.

You reached out
to me when I was
at my lowest.

Believed in me
when I didn't
even believe in
myself.

You gave me
back my LIFE!

I won't let them
HURT you...

I
WON'T!

GUARDS!
MOVE IN! THE
PRISONER IS
ATTEMPTING TO
BREAK FREE
FROM --



MAKE THAT HAS BROKEN FREE OF HIS BONDS!

AND YOU GENTLEMEN DON'T HAVE TO BOTHER MOVING IN, BECAUSE...



...I'M COMING RIGHT AT YOU.

SO WHY NOT STICK AROUND... WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM MY IMPACT WEBBING?



AND WHILE I'VE GOT YOU THERE...

...I THINK I'LL GO STRAIGHT TO THE STINGERS TO PUT YOU OUT OF THE PICTURE SO I CAN GET ON WITH MY SEARCH FOR SEWARD.



DOOKAY! LOOKS LIKE THERE'S MORE TO YOU TWO THAN MEETS THE EYE.

GUESS THIS IS GOING TO TAKE A LITTLE LONGER THAN I ANTICIPATED.









I never HAVE let you down...



... and I'm not about to start now.



All I've got to figure out is...



... what exactly it's going to take to make these two FALL!



I'm holding back, but still hitting pretty hard...

... they should be out cold by now. Unless...

... they're not... HUMAN!



BINGO!



ANDROIDS... is it? Fine... all that means is...

... I'm not holding back anymore!



BRAVO! I AM IMPRESSED.



IF TRAINER CREATED YOU, HE DID A WORTHY JOB... AND IT MAKES ME WANT HIS SECRETS ALL THE MORE.

WHO-EVER YOU ARE...





ELSEWHERE...



THE WATER LEVEL RISES
AND SEWARD TRAINER
BEGINS MAKING HIS FINAL
PEACE WITH HIMSELF.

WHILE...

...IT IS THE SCARLET SPIDER
WHO TEARS THROUGH THE
ROBOT DRONES WITH SUPER-
POWERED STRENGTH... AVOIDS
THEIR ENERGY BLASTS WITH
INSECT-LIKE AGILITY...

...BUT BENEATH THE
COSTUME... IT IS BEN
REILLY WHO DRIVES
FORWARD...



...DETERMINED THAT
HE WILL NOT FAIL TO
SAVE SEWARD TRAINER.

HE WILL NOT
LET HIM DOWN.

IN THE DARKNESS,
TRAINER GASPS
FOR HIS LAST
BREATH OF AIR.

AND THE
SCARLET
SPIDER...?







LATER...

HOW DID YOU KNOW WHERE TO FIND ME, BEN?

YOU HAD ME WORKING DOWN IN THE ACCESS TUNNEL FOR TWO WEEKS STRAIGHT, CLEANING IT UP AFTER THE EXPLOSION.

YOU THINK I WOULDN'T RECOGNIZE IT? EVEN IN THE DARK... EVEN WITH THE PLACE TOTALLY REVAMPED, SO THAT IT'S NOTHING BUT AN EMPTY PIT.



SO WHO DID THIS?



I DON'T KNOW... AND FOR THE MOMENT IT'S NOT IMPORTANT!

WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS I NEED TO GET BACK TO MY NEW YORK LAB RIGHT AWAY... NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT MY FILES ARE INTACT.



READY TO LEAVE WHEN YOU ARE.

I THOUGHT YOU WERE LEAVING THAT LIFE, AND THE CITY, BEHIND.



YEAH... ME TOO.

BUT... I MADE A PROMISE TO YOU A LONG TIME AGO...

...I PROMISED NEVER TO LET YOU DOWN.

AND I NEVER WILL.

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