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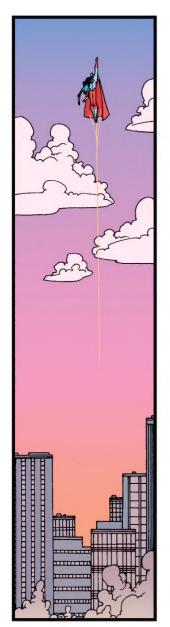
























































































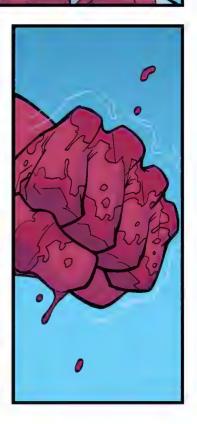
















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And here it is... the one I like to call "The Big One." This is the issue that really shakes up the status quo here at Invincible Central. You'll be seeing the repercussions from all this madness in our next issue, so make sure you keep an eye out for that.

I know there are some of you out there that THINK you're going to hate this. I'm telling you... give us a chance. The book has always been working towards this, we're really just now getting to the good part. The book is NOT going to be completely different. The same guys are still doing it so you can be sure the book isn't going to doing a complete 180. If you've enjoyed the book so far... you're still going to like it. Maybe even more so.

But please, write in and tell us what you think of this issue, we're dying to hear what you have to say. Speaking of which... letter time!

Dear PENvinciPALs.

If I had a hammer, I'd hammer all over this land! But on the head of that hammer would be a stamp that says, "Invincible sure is great!" Then it would have a P.S. that says in smaller print, "I miss Cory!"

Good job with the story on the new Guardians of the Globe. The tryout scenes were great. Monster Girl looks to be fun (and cute, too, if you're picking up what I'm putting down).

Let's not dilly-dally here. I'll get right to the point with some questions.

- 1) Being interested in the new GotG, I'd like to know more about them.
- What are Shrinking Ray's powers?
- 2) What are Black Samson's powers? You know, besides being black.
- 3) Do you have a strange Star Trek fetish?

Well, that's all for now. I'm going to go see if I can find my house on my GPS. Keep writing good books, and I'll keep writing letters to them every month without fail!

HUGS!

-Chris Piers

P.S. Boy, I loved the Deep Fried Monkey strip! I laughed until I cried pee.

We all miss Cory, Chris, make no doubt about it. But I'm sure you'll be happy when Cory's next project is out and in the meantime Ryan is making Cory look bad every month in this very comic.

- 1. He can shrink. I figured that would be obvious.
- 2. Before he was just REALLY strong, hence the "Samson." Now that he's got his nifty power suit he can fly and shoot lasers and he's still pretty strong, though not as strong as before.
- 3. Yes, but I'm currently seeing a psychiatrist, and as soon as I stop sleeping on Brent Spiner's lawn she says I'll be okay.

I thought Deep Fried Monkey sucked. You see... there's an OLD version of DFM that appeared in Battle Pope that Nate did all by himself. It was MUCH funnier. I believe that Benito fella is a hack... total hack.

Now, I don't usually write letters to comics...no matter how good they may be. I find posting on message boards much more satisfying and fulfilling to my short attention span. But when I saw that you guys printed the same letter two issues in a row (re: Kent Moore), I figured, "Wow! These guys must be really desperate for letters..." So here I am. First off all, Ryan take a bow. When Cory left, I thought that the artwork would take a nosedive...heck I had even heard rumors that Robert would be handling the art chores himself (The Horror...The Horror...) but when you came on the book it really went up a notch. You perfectly complement Robert's style, and I have not really missed Cory since he left. Coming to the writing, Robert this is your best work ever (and this is after reading Battle Pope, Capes, and Walking Dead) and I am slowly becoming a lifetime fan of yours. But not everything is hearts and rainbows in Invincible land...you guys are still very behind on the schedule front. How long before you're completely caught up? Invincible 9 was great, by the way. I see that Eve is going to be the typical "damsel with her heart on her sleeve." She is hurt by Rex and promptly afterwards our kid, Mark himself, breaks her heart (unintentionally) but breaks it nonetheless. I am loving the plethora of Image characters you throw into each issue. This book is really giving me a nice sense of a unified Image Universe. Something that has been lacking in other Image books (yes, even Savage Dragon). Now I really must sign off...my cat is eyeing my glass of juice very intently since she read

about the antics of your cat. If something happens to this...I blame you Kirkman...you and your darn cat!

Sincerely, Zeb Aslam

Yeah, we're still behind schedule, but the issue you're holding in your hands was solicited for April... and it should be out EARLY in May so we're not TOO far behind. If we can squeeze 13 into May we'll be all caught up... and it's about time too.

For the record I've never even thought about drawing this or any other comic. That would be a disaster... a big, ugly disaster.

Dear PENvinciPals,

Why do you have to make Invincible so good? Every month I read it, and it's just like wow, it's better than the last issue. I swear Invincible is like a drug, I'm addicted to it! I just finished issue# 9 and once again, kick ass. Ottley is doing a TERRIFIC job replacing Cory on the title! I can't wait to see more from him. I loved at the Guardians Of The Globe tryouts you had a guy in the rejected Invincible costume from issue# 2; you know that orange and yellow one. Well that's enough praise for now, onto the questions!

- 1) Did you create the method of naming heroes with their name in it. I.E Dupli-Kate, Rex-Plode, Atom-Eve, Shrinking-Ray?
- 2) Since Donald is obviously playing a bigger role in Invincible now, can we expect a Brit cameo pretty soon?
- 3) How fast are you going to kill off the NEW Guardians Of The Globe?
- 4) What was Eve so pissed off about when Mark wanted to go see the tryouts for the G.O.T.G?

Well that's about all the qestions I can think of for now. Keep up the good work, can't wait until the next issue. Until then...

Invincible-O-Holic/Kirk-maniac, Mike Storniolo

- 1. Um... I don't think we're the first to do it, but it's something Cory and I came up with on our own. I just thought it would be an easy way to have cool names without worrying if anyone has used them. Our names are too stupid to be used before!!
- 2. Brit made a brief appearance in issue 11. Check that out!
- 3. Not very.
- 4. She was pissed at Robot for not siding with her and hating Rex... thought that Mark was doing the same when he left with Robot. What can I say? She's a girl.

Dear Mr. Kirkman,

I just want to let you know how much I love your comics.

All of your books remind me why I read comics. I just can't wait till the next issue. Speaking of next issue, I really thought I had it nailed with what is going on with Mark's Dad. I thought that in issue 3 when he was kidnapped into the other dimension they did a switch, and how he acted with his wife I totally thought that it was not really him. But then I saw the scene in issue 9 were he is sitting on the mountain thinking about what he is going to say to Mark. And I love it because I have no idea how anything is going to play out. Even the WB'ish drama with Eve, as I said before I cant wait till next issue. I liked how in issue 9 when the winners were announced for the New Guardian's of the Globe you can see other characters from stories you have written. I must say I thought your SuperPatriot series was one of the best mini series I read in a while. Capes was also very enjoyable, I got a theory though, I think that Mark Englert and Erik Larsen are the same person. There style is so similar that I thought it was Mr. Larsen at first till I read the credits. Who knows, maybe I am crazier than I thought. Keep up the great

Nathan Taler

Mark Englert is merely a clone of Erik Larsen. Wait that's not what I meant to say... crap.

PENvinciPALS:

One of the things that makes me buy pretty much anything I see with Kirkman's name on the shelf, besides knowing he's found some other kick-ass artist to extort, is that I'll always get a lot of reads out of it. I haven't picked up the book yet where I have gotten bored with reading it after ten reads, and that is frankly amazing stuff.

Robot gives me some serious willies. I know that comics are a series of still pictures and that expressions don't change within panels, but his don't change at all within the book, it's that same, s***-eating, "I can bench a bus so f*** off" smile. Ugh.

Anyhoo, I'm going to be here next month for sure, so you better keep putting out the good stuff, understand? S'right.

Sincerely, Ryan Walsh

Crunch all you want, we'll make more. Don't worry, this book is here to stay.

And that's a wrap! See you all back here next month. Read Benito and Nate's crappy strip!!

-Robert Kirkman

This month's pin-ups by:

- 1. Kelly Goodine with colors by Jacob Baake
- 2. Ted Wing III





