

## **CHAP Masks 17 – The Ravening**

### **Content Warnings**

- Familial Trauma
- Fighting
  
- Discussion of: Apocalyptic Plans
- Mentions of: Reckless Driving, Obsessive Behavior, Parental Death
- SFX: distorted voices, animal sounds, rumbling, metallic scraping, glass smashing, background chatter

SFX Timestamps are included at the end of the transcript.

### **THE ETERNAL TAVERN KEEPER**

Rusty Quill presents Chapter and Multiverse.

### **[Show Theme - Intro]**

### **THE ETERNAL TAVERN KEEPER**

Oh, goodness, thank heavens you're here, I have more to tell you about Adeeb, Mini, Joseph and Morgan, things are really heating up for them you know. Last time we spoke, I told you about their questioning of Poltergeist who revealed that Wilt an important figure from Morgan's past was planning to interfere with time and space somehow. I must admit that kind of thing always makes me very nervous, but right now, our heroes are in a café, sadly not my café, preparing for their climatic confrontation with Wilt.

**MADDY**

Hello and welcome to Chapter and Multiverse, the actual play podcast where we explore the same city across multiple parallel universes. I am your gamemaster, Maddy Searle, my pronouns are she/her, and today we are penultimate game of our campaign of Masks a New Generation, which is designed by Brendan Conway and allows our players to take on the role of young superheroes; but before we go any further, I must introduce our wonderful and talented players, could you please let me know your name and pronouns and your character's name and pronouns - starting with Pip?

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Hi there, I'm Pip Gladwin, and I will be playing Joseph Teller formerly Zenith, protege of the... maybe quite questionable superhero, Aquilla, we don't know, we'll find out, and our pronouns are he and him, and we just love to hug in a café.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah, and Lydia?

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

I'm Lydia Nicholas, my pronouns are she/they and I am playing Mini Smithson, who is currently really, genuinely loving a hug in a café!

**(Laughter)**

Pronouns she/her.

**MADDY**

Yeah, excellent, and Lowri?

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Hello, I am Lowri Anne Davis, and I am playing Blodeuwedd Morgan, aka Syphon, who is so glad she got back in time for the hug in the café!

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah, and Ahmed?

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

Hello, I'm Ahmed Aljabry and currently I am playing Adeeb, who is being dragged into a hug, because he was too distracted on his phone.

**(Laughter)**

Adeeb's pronouns are he and him.

**MADDY**

Beautiful, okay so, last we left off, Poltergeist had told you that UTBC's plan was to create as much chaos as possible so that they could capitalise off the

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news and the ad revenue generated thusly, and you also discovered that Wilt, who is a fixture of Morgan's past, is involved and planning something big involving space and time. So, you went to aforementioned café to chat things through, and Morgan briefly went to talk to Owain her uncle about her parents.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Because Morgan has fast travel now.

**MADDY**

Yes.

**(Laughter)**

So now you have all come back together for a lovely hug in the café as everyone has mentioned, and it is time to get down to business.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Or we could hug more.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yay!

**MADDY**

Yeah, that's true.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

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Yeah.

**MADDY**

You can just ignore it and just hug for the next two episodes.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

My thing that I'm going to add before we get into the action is that, I called upon my sanctuary, which means I have to pay some kind of price and, with your permission Maddy, would like to make it a Doom Point, since I feel like that's relevant.

**MADDY**

Yeah, that seems appropriate.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Are you getting very doomed?

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

I am not three into my second doom track, I mean my doom doesn't hurt until five, but since there are only two episodes left, we could just make it when I hit the third.

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**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Stack that, stack that doom.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

I'm planning on using my powers a lot more, so they will, anyway.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

[upset/nervous] You've got to be around for season two!

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yes, season two.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Unconfirmed.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**(Laughter)**

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**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

That campaign starts here.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Any may end here.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Also ends here, yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah.

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

But it starts here!

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

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Okay, Joseph will after what he deems to be an appropriate amount of time extricate himself from the hug, like, not you know...

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah, it's not mean.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

There's a part of him that wants to stay in the hug...

**MADDY**

Aw.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Aw.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

...but there's things to do, he's going to extricate himself, "Did you, did you find anything out, Morgan?"

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

"Well, I don't know how useful it is, just a bit scarier really, um, Wilt, I did kind of know this as being obsessed with finishing my parents' project, which was, um, [sighs] apparently they want to bust a hole into a new universe..."

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Wait.”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

...and this one, because everything’s...

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Wait, hold on, Mini, do you have the Taj tablet?”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Yes”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Call them, they should hear this.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Okay.” Calls Vera, does Vera pick up?

**MADDY**

I think at this point Vera does not pick up.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

[Gasps!]

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

I don’t like Vera!

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

No! Vera is rubbish, Vera mak- I think the big bad is Vera!

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah, I'm scared that it is!

**(Laughter)**

I really am!

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Like, none of this makes sense!

**MADDY**

She's just overworked!

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

They didn't answer their phone, they must be evil!

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Must be evil.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

How often do you answer your phone when people call...?

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah.

**MADDY**

Meanwhile on the news behind you in this café, explosions are happening, like you hear the echo of an explosion further across the city.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh actually?

**MADDY**

**(Laughter)**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Sorry in relation to what, just real quick?

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

What?

**MADDY**

Just in terms of another villain activity is happening.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Okay, starting to kick off now, okay, okay.

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**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Nice!

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I cut you off there Lowri and then...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh no, no go.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

...and then it didn't go anywhere.

**(Laughter)**

So, like because Joseph just kind of like, "I'm sorry, please finish your story."

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Aw.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“No, no that was a good idea. I mean I don’t know how much there is, they wanted to open the universe into another universe, I mean they just had terrible, terrible plans to end our reality, and Wilt wants to continue that and has been working to do that apparently, is my understanding and I have to stop her, because...”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Okay”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“...she is so powerful but maybe the connection to my parents can help, I don’t know.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Okay, coming from a society where many people can manipulate matter and some have ascended to the point that they can work with time and space, I can confirm that doing that is a very bad idea.”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Do we have an address?”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“No, but...”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“We have an area of the city, but not an address?”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Yeah.”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Yeah.”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“You may have noticed that I um, have picked up some new powers. I don’t really know what’s going on. I’m a bit afraid because like...”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Can you move us, like that?”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“I’ve never tried...?” Can Morgan do that?

**MADDY**

Well, if you do an “Unleash Your Powers” roll we could find out.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh yeah, okay well, we don’t know where we’re going yet, so do we want to try now?

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

How about you try portal-ling us outside the coffee shop.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Sur- yeah okay.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Do you get a Doom Point every time you do this?

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Are you?

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah, I do get a Doom Point every time I do this.

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Oh, okay, I didn't know.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Which actually I say, bring on.

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

You didn't tell us that, we have no idea about that.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah, exactly.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Okay, but hang on, just before we do this, I think there's something else important that I need to say that just sounds very dramatic, but I'm just going to say it. Owain had a prophecy that I would follow in my parents' footsteps, and it seems like these powers are coming, and my mum could portal, like that is something that she could do, that's something I have now got, [becomes upset] and I just don't want to become a villain.”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Okay, but if we go after this Wilt person without you, then we're not going to beat them. We're not going to be able to do this.”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“No, well you're not doing that. I won't let you.”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“So, we go with you.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Could it be interpreted in a good way?”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Yeah.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Like you’re going to get their powers, but you’re not going to turn villain...?”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“I mean I’ve thought about it for years, there are lots of ways it could be interpreted but, I don’t know.”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

How far away from where we are right now is the district where we know this is going down?

**MADDY**

About 20 minutes walk away.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“20 minutes walk away...”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Or a cool portal...”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Or a cool portal or, I just steal a car.”

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Does Zenith say that?

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah, I mean Morgan will be like, “Look, I mean, I would like to... it would be nice to know if I could carry you all, but what if something happens to you? What if I take your energy when I carry you and you all get there and you’re unconscious and I just have three unconscious people, so maybe a car would be best.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Or it’s a nice walk...”

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I’m going to break a window with my elbow and hot wire a car outside.

**(Laughter)**

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In full view of the person running this café.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

I think the person running this café is used to kind of late night superhero shenanigans so is just like, “Urgh, not again! Going to have to talk to the Police in the morning – urgh”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Like there’s a whole insurance thing where you... like it’s quite high premiums to get like...

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

...in case of superhero incident.

**(Laughter)**

But everyone has to get it, because otherwise like...

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

You can be covered for everything, but then someone with super frickin' superspeed just dashes through and it burns the air and destroys all of your stuff like...

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Well, I think also from Joseph's point of view as he has done it, there's a moment of like, well it doesn't matter we'll just buy them a new one... oh wait.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Aw.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Ah, I don't own anything.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

You've got a car now...

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**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

**(Laughter)**

Yeah!

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I have no money.

**(Laughter)**

Or public identity.

**(Laughter)**

I don't have a National Insurance Number guys.

**(Laughter)**

I don't exist!

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh no.

And also begins our descent into villain group.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Absolutely, I'm a bad guy now. I guess I am, I just stole a car. I will drive at extremely unsafe speeds...

**(Laughter)**

...to the location of Wilt, or at least the approximate location.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

"Okay, Mini, can you just text Vera on the tablet that we did this, and maybe they can figure out something to cover this?"

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

"Sure."

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

"We're not getting paid, so they might as well pay for this."

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh, wait no, we stole one of the random Taj cars that are just littered across the city as we have established before.

**(Laughter)**

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

Yes.

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**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah, yeah.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

We know because they have the logo on the side.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yes!

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah, I try and break its bulletproof glass with my elbow and just break my arm.

**(Laughter)**

Ah!

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Maybe you try and do that and Mini at the last second makes your elbow super dense.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“You can do that to other people?”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Oh no, I don't think I can...

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

**(Laughter)**

Yeah, oh sorry, you manipulate living matter? Oh boy!

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Only me!

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Okay, we're car, we drive, we do drive in the car.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

[sings] You see me rolling.

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**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I'm excited.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Choo choo.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

My sentence structure is collapsing.

**(Laughter)**

We go a place in and can't do game.

**MADDY**

Okay, you speed off into the night through the city streets of Chapter into the industrial district, you zoom passed the Clear Vision Trading building that you saw, just a couple of days ago, everything has happened so fast, and as you are starting to crawl a bit more slowly through the streets looking for any signs of Wilt's possible lair, please make me "Assess the Situation" rolls to see if you can find where it is.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Seven.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Ooo, nine.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Eight.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Nice.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

Eight.

**MADDY**

All successes.

So, yeah and I think Mini was the one who rolled the highest so I will say, yeah, Mini what do you think you do to discover the location?

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

It's dark I'm remembering, we are in the middle of the night and it is relatively, I'm going to assume in an industrial district – quiet. Perhaps there is the vague sound of some machining but I'm guessing it would be quite hard to place, so Mini is just going to kind of stand there, put fingers on her temples in that kind of way that signals in superhero films that someone is using their mind, and is going to do a vague telepathy, like as we sort of established, she is much more of a can feel the vague shape of where there are people and what they are feeling, rather than a, I can read the words of what's in your brain, kind of telepathy.

**(Laughter)**

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So, that's what she's going to try and [Lydia makes a "womhe" sound] where can I feel villains...?

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY AS VERA**

Yes, as you are driving slowly through the streets of this district, you get a ping in your telepathic field.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

**(Laughter)**

Ping! Ring...

**(Laughter)**

Yeah, that's how it worked, like a radar.

**MADDY**

Metaphorically speaking.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah.

**MADDY**

And you can feel just an intense sense of excitement, and the feeling of a project just almost being finished just being so close.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh no.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Ooo wait um, everyone I can feel either somebody is just about to finish a very exciting Lego project...

**(Laughter)**

...or end the world, and they’re about...” Mini does the like fingers to the temples, then like wobbles the hands around and then points wherever the sense comes from. “They’re over there.”

**MADDY**

Yes.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

What do we see in the direction that Mini is pointing?

**MADDY**

Yes, you can see a disused factory with moss growing in the cracks in the concrete and rusty metal railings, and if you peer inside, you can see just a pair of yellow lights, just sort of moving from left to right very slowly.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Hmm, maybe somebody has two separate eyes on stalks, which I haven’t encountered on this planet. Or, two people with torches.”

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“We don’t have a lot of time.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Should I go with the torch theory?”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Yes, yes it think so, Mini.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Okay, well, someone’s over there.”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Okay, shall we...”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Big entrance?”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Attack! Wait, do we have a plan?”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Just before anyone moves, I'm like, "Don't, don't whatever you do, do not let her touch you."

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

"Yeah."

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

"That is the most important thing."

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

"Okay."

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

"The same goes for you." Okay, is there like a... what kind of doors/windows situation are we looking at for this building?

**MADDY**

The door is a big kind of set of metal double doors with a chain and a padlock on it. There is glass in the windows, but it's shattered and it's kind of in jagged, horrible shapes.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

"Big entrance?"

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

[nervously] "Mm, stealth might be wise."

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

“I could try to remove the glass and just... or open the window with my ribbons...”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“I can... look there’s not very much light around, so I can probably just control what they can see from the torch light so, I can’t control sound...”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Yeah.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

...so, we’d have to be quiet”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Alright”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Okay”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Let’s go” carefully through a window whilst I guess being masked by Mini.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

I’ll remove the glass carefully with my ribbons just so we can sneak in without anybody getting hurt.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Nice.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

I mean until the people turn up with their torches, or whatever it is, it's not like Mini's deploying powers right now it's just that if the light... we will always be in shadow.

**MADDY**

Mm.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Okay, so we go in stealthy.

**MADDY**

You go in stealthy.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

[whispers] sneak, sneak...

**MADDY**

I'm just going to say that that happens, and you creep your way into this dark and dank abandoned factory, and you can see now from your vantage point behind some crates that there is a robotic dog pacing back and forth over the top of the trap door.

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**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Aw! Mini adores the cute...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Well, this is where it ends isn't it, because we can't hurt a dog!

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

**(Laughter)**

Yeah.

**MADDY**

But it's a robot.

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

It's a robot.

**(Laughter)**

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

This is perfect for me.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I was going to say, I'll hurt a dog.

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**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Woah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I have no compassion.

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

You do! You're good inside!

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

**(Laughter)**

I'll hurt a robot dog.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Uh, I'll hurt a robot dog.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

I want to keep that dog.

**(Laughter)**

This is perfect. I am going to...

**(Laughter)**

...stealthily sneak up on it and just grab my ribbons around it until it's like tied down properly. So, what do I need to roll, is it engage or unleash?

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Can we assess this, because I feel like this is going to have some kind of camera on it!

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Look, look, if Adeeb wants robot dog, Adeeb has to get robot dog.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

I always wanted a dog but because we can't have dogs at home, a robot dog is the perfect answer. I want to catch it and I want to keep it!

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Um, Zenith, you’re good at stuff like this. Actually, I think Adeeb you are too, but is that... am I not right in thinking there might be a camera, can you see any kind of... what is the purpose of this dog?”

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Probably a guard, but I will be mindful of surroundings, assess situation before entering into a fight. I am going to do that.”

**MADDY**

Yes – perfect.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“You can keep it if we catch it Adeeb.”

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I’m rolling badly today, three, one, five – that’s only a six.

**MADDY**

Oh, poop.

**(Laughter)**

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Yeah, it's very dark, and you can only really see the kind of yellow glow of the eyes of this square robot dog.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Squinting with my complete lack of night vision.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yes.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

**(Laughter)**

Again, I can imagine you like focusing on a dark spot expecting it to light up.

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Dammit.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh no, ah, why did you throw the helmet...? Well, you had to.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah!

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah, so at this point as you are poised trying to determine what you are going to do with this robot dog, we are going to take a short break and be right back.

**(Laughter)**

**[Mid-show break 18:07]**

And welcome back.

So, you are poised in your hiding place behind some crates peering at this robot dog with its yellow eyes glaring about pacing back and forth over this trapdoor.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

“Zenith, can you hack it? Or sorry, should we stop calling you Zenith?”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Um.”

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

“Should we stick with the Joseph? Or should we give you a new name, because we never established that?”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“I don’t know... we can talk about this later. I...”

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

“Alright, Leader?”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Mm, oh, uh...”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“I actually, maybe not, I don’t know if mm...”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“What?”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Could we be a democracy, maybe for now, I mean...?”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Yeah, I’m not trying to lead anything”

**(Laughter)**

And I’ll bring up that little wrist computer thing that I took, is this something I can do?

**MADDY**

Yeah.

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**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Try and remotely hack it.

**MADDY**

You can, for sure.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

What would you like me to roll to do that?

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Woah.

**MADDY**

I would suggest “Unleash your Powers”.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah, I figured. Unleash your lack of powers...

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Unleash your coding bootcamp skills.

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Alright, it says “reshape your environment” as one of the sort of powers things, basically what I’m trying to do, is just make this thing friendly.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah.

**MADDY**

Yeah!

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Reshape to Buddy!

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

C’mon, better dice rolls than the other ones today let’s go, let’s go, let’s go, let’s go, this is the...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

C’mon, this is the most important dice roll we’ve ever had.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

This is the most important dice roll I have ever had, and I’ve rolled a lot of dice, alright, here we go.

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**(Laughter)**

Okay, it's a success.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oo?

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

It's not a high success...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Okay.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

...but it's a seven.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oo.

**MADDY**

Okay, so, I think you can make this dog friendly for an hour.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Okay.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

So, we'll fall in love with it and then it will betray us?!

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

No, I think...

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

It'll probably automatically reboot after one hour.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

So, hacked dog friendly, while I'm hacking it do I discern that it has like cameras that it's using, is it feeding like audio or visuals somewhere else?

**MADDY**

Yes, you can absolutely see that it is doubling as a guard dog and a surveillance device.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Cool, in making it friendly am I also cutting that connection?

**MADDY**

You can, yes absolutely you can cut off its connection to... you can also see in its coding that it is part of a pack.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

[Gasps!] Friends!

**MADDY**

And so if you had tried to engage it, it would have set off an alarm to call its fellow pack mates to help it.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Amazing, thank you.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

We could have had more friends?!

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

That would have been a massacre!

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I think the last thing I will do is Joseph bends down, picks up like a you know a metal bit of rebar like a bent sort of metal bar, and I'll like, "Hey. Hey, buddy,

hey, hey” and I get the dog’s attention with it and then I will turn towards the window and just fling it as hard as I can out the window and go, “Fetch”.

**MADDY**

And the dog with, it has these exaggerated like triangular shaped jagged metal teeth and it just contorts them into this big doggish grin [gasps] and makes a sort of metallic panting noise...

**(Laughter)**

...and leaps out of the window...

**(Laughter)**

...after this metal stick, and it can no longer be seen.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Well done.”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“Great, shall we go down? Is this trapdoor locked?”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“I mean could you... do we get to keep the dog?”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“No, it’s only an hour, it will probably return to its post.”

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

“Okay, so we get out of here within an hour, I can probably do a longer term hack, or I can take it... don’t worry Adeeb [whispers] we will get you that dog.”

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

“Thank you.”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Shall I open the trapdoor?”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

“I don’t see another way in” and as Joseph says that he kind of looks around for vents, where are the vents?

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

There are no vents in here.

**(Laughter)**

It’s been so long since I was in a vent.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

So, as you are inspecting this trapdoor, you can see that it is very heavy, it's very large, it would not be a problem for someone like Morgan to rip this open though if she had enough energy, but there is also a fingerprint device attached to it which would allow someone with the correct fingerprint or DNA to get in.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh no.

Morgan, has a sinking feeling and puts her thumb on the fingerprint's pad...

**MADDY**

Yeah \*ping\* green light goes on, the trapdoor starts to open.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Mm hmm.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

"Have you been here before?"

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

"No, but I think maybe Wilt wants me."

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

"We don't have a choice."

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Okay.”

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I'll hop down the ladder and just go first, we've got to go, we've got to move, the longer we spend, the more likely...

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

I'll fly down.

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Mm hmm.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Morgan comes... yeah, we've only got an hour until the dog comes back, so...

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Exactly, you know.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

The dog is our main worry here.

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Ticking clock folks!

**MADDY**

Yeah, not the incredibly powerful supervillain who is planning to manipulate space and time.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

What goes a ten a penny!

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I hop down and then, well, how is the light situation down here?

**MADDY**

It is dingy, but there are spotlights kind of dotted about all over the place on different work stations, with piles of wires and devices and mechanical equipment and tools. It is a very chaotic kind of workshop/laboratory situation down here, and you can also see in the back of the room there is some kind of shrine set up with pictures of people that Morgan would recognise, it is

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pictures of your parents, there are children's toys kind of scattered at the foot of the shrine...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh god.

**MADDY**

...which you might be able to discern are probably gifts that they gave Wilt when she was younger; and there are also... your parents' old super villain costumes folded up neatly and placed on the shrine.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

We hear anything, is there a sound of machinery, a sound of anything happening?

**MADDY**

In another room you can hear the sound of like metal scraping on metal and sparks going off as some kind of welding or metalwork is happening.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

I guess let's assess some more and have a little look.

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Morgan will obviously be a bit taken aback at the shrine and... would anyone recognise my parents, because they were... I mean Joseph might?

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I might.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Though I guess is that an area of her life that Aquilla tried to hide from him, so maybe not, because they were public right?

**MADDY**

Yeah, I think that Joseph would probably recognise the costumes and have heard of Expanse and Epock the supervillains, but just Aquilla probably hid the...

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**MADDY**

...fate of them.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah, there was some supervillains with these names back in the day, this is what they can do, the died.

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

You know that would be the extent of it.

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah, okay.

Well, Morgan isn't going to say that those are her parents, but I think maybe you can guess.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Context. Context, yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah, feels quite likely.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

So, did you say that the work is going on through another door?

**MADDY**

Yes, you can see that there is a metal door with a kind of a small porthole in it.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Maddy, I'd like to ask, all of these tables and stuff where there's lots of like bit of machinery and all kinds of things going on, do I see anything here that I think I could use?

**MADDY**

Hmm, I think if you do me an "Assess the Situation" roll we can find out.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Nice, because I do have that one ability about picking up random bits of new gear.

**MADDY**

Yes.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

And I've used it I think once!

**(Laughter)**

So, see if there is anything useful, some kind of gadget, some sort of device.  
It's a seven, it is a seven, six so that's...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yay!

**MADDY**

Seven – nice.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Standard.

**MADDY**

Yeah, I think this room is very disorganised, it is very chaotic, it is hard to see any kind of pattern in the way that things are laid out, it seems like Wilt presumably was making things and then got bored and just threw it to one side and started making something else, but you do manage to find among some of the kind of half-finished projects a functioning grappling hook that you can send shooting out...

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Oh, like a launcher, rather than a rope that I would throw?

**MADDY**

Yes a sort of mechanical grappling hook.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Nice, I'll kind of pick that up, and I won't test it because it probably loud.

**(Laughter)**

I will pick that up and stow that in my...

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

What in the thoughtful grappling hook pouch that Adeeb made for you?

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I stow that in my non-copyright infringing utility belt.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

One step closer guys, I'm wearing a Domino mask...

**MADDY**

Excellent.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

...and I have a grappling hook gun. All I need now is to tear away my trousers to reveal my tiny green pants and my...

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yes!

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

...transformation will be complete.

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Something you have never understood why all the clothes available to you were grey expect...

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Expect my tiny green pants.

**(Laughter)**

Oh sorry, Cannon, Joseph has been wearing tiny green pants this whole time.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Right.

**MADDY**

So, as you are peering around cautiously, you hear a metallic thunk and a delighted giggle from the next room.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Mini has still had her kind of telepathy field open, turns to the others and says, “I’m sensing delight.”

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

“Oh no, okay.”

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

“Should we knock first?”

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

I love Adeeb.

**MADDY**

Before you can make that decision, a women bursts out from the back room clutching a large gun like apparatus, which has all sorts of complex pipes and bits of machinery integrated into it, and she is wearing a blood red skin tight suit, and she has these metallic gloves over her hands, and as soon as she sees you she presses a button on her wrist and the tips of her fingers are exposed in the gloves.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Mini, like before taking other serious things into consideration looking at that outfit just whispers...

**(Laughter)**

“Cool.”

**MADDY**

I mean fashion icon, yeah, this woman has short cropped, blonde hair in a bob and steely grey eyes.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

[whispers] “Cool.”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Morgan will say, “Don’t touch her” and she has been carrying, she hasn’t used it yet, but she’s been carrying her staff...

**(Laughter)**

...which I assume is good enough from Taj that like you press a button and is like [sound effect] and extends it out?

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

And I will like to remind listeners, because I had forgotten, it also delivers a knock out sting right?

**MADDY**

Yeah, it's a taser stick.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah, and she has practiced for one day with Zenith, so...

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

We did, we did.

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

And I'm a very good teacher probably, maybe, not....

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

That's probably your calling.

**MADDY AS WILT**

Yeah, and I think as you extend your weapon and Wilt turns her gaze upon you, she says, "Ah, sister."

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Morgan's... well, she's going to directly engage a threat, she's going to attack her immediately.

**MADDY**

Perfect.

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

Should we count our team pool?

**MADDY**

Yes.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yes, we got to... we're entering into a combat with a dangerous foe, I'm guessing.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yes.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

And very well dressed foe.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

And we're so ready, we're prepared, we're all very prepared for this, we're not unprepared.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

We are.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

And all of our aims are aligned.

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**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

And we trust each other.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

We do implicitly.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

We do. We've been broken down and we've come back together in the last 48 hours.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yes.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

**(Laughter)**

Several times!

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

"You folks are the best friends I've had this week!"

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah, I think looking at the team mechanics, I think you have at least three team in the pool.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Nice, who is the leader?

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah, I was wondering about that.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

I would say at the moment, Morgan is definitely the leader at this point, because...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Emotionally.

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Emotionally, yeah.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I would agree.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah, it's like Adeeb was kind of the leader when we were dealing with Poltergeist.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

We were being... like obviously things went a bit out of hand, but we were definitely being led.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

We were deferring, yeah, I think that makes sense.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

That's the word!

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

I think that makes sense.

**MADDY**

Fantastic, so, going into this battle your purposes are aligned, and you are prepared this time, so you have three team in your pool to use as you want to

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give plus one to your fellow teammates at any point, and so yeah, please give me that role Lowri of [gasps] directly engage a threat.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh my god. C'mon Morgan.

**MADDY**

And I will let you know straight up that Wilt will need to have five conditions inflicted on her to be defeated.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

And do they all have to be different, I think that's the rule isn't it, just to check?

**MADDY**

Yeah, yeah.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Wait, wait, wait, I just got it! Wilts, like her power, not wilt like it's short for Wilfred.

**(Laughter)**

Or Wilf like in Angel and right...cool.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Is that what Mini says?

**(Laughter)**

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Yeah, okay you know, Mini literally does like, “Oh! I ju- I realise, oh like her power!”

**(Laughter)**

Right, like, I thought Wilt was like a way of saying Wilfred, or Winnie or... oh I get it, I know... alright, cool.”

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

So, I just rolled a ten [Gasps!]

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yo!

**AHMED AS ADEEB BIN ADIL BIN YESLAM AKA TURBAN**

Nice.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

‘Cos I am three dangerous.

**MADDY**

Amazing.

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**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

And I rolled seven.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Three fast, three dangerous.

**(Laughter)**

Sorry, I don't know why I even said that.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

I enjoyed it, so well done, thank you.

As Mini is having that revelation, Morgan says, "You're not my sister!" and is holding the staff like a javelin, because as we've established, she's not particularly trained, because she wants to taser her in the forehead! It's what she's aiming for.

**(Laughter)**

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Wow!

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

She wants to knock her out.

**MADDY**

Fantastic, so you can pick two of the benefits from directly engage a threat.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

You're going to want the one where you don't get touched.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah, I am going...

**MADDY**

And she has a massive gun thing in her hand as well.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Yeah, I think either impress or surprise her, so I want to inflict a condition on her immediately.

**(Laughter)**

Because I probably don't frighten her.

**MADDY**

Yeah.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

So, maybe surprise her.

**MADDY**

Yeah, I think that makes sense.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

And I mean I want to take the gun from her, but I don't think I did anything that really would do that, so I could create an opportunity for my allies.

**MADDY**

That sounds good to me.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Yeah.

**MADDY**

Wilt is going to take a condition, and I would like to ask Morgan if there's any particular condition you're aiming to give her?

Ooo, I would like to make a pitch for insecure.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

I was going to say insecure, because maybe she thought that probably thought I'd maybe that I'd be alone, or that I'd be not able to javelin her in the forehead with a taser.

**(Laughter)**

But here we are!

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yeah, I think she wasn't naive enough to think that you would instantly like come running into her arms, but I think she thought you might be a bit more receptive to her than this, and...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh right.

**MADDY AS WILT**

Yeah, I think she is surprised that this is your first greeting of someone who is, in her mind, like so important to your history, and yeah she gets a massive zap on her forehead from the taser, it's not quite enough to knock her out but she is [gasps] slightly dazed, and she looks at you and is like, "Is that any way to greet family?" and she is going to take the condition move double down on broken plans or ideas and she is going to raise the gun like device and shoot it into an empty space in the room, and a portal appears; a glimmering neon green portal, and out of it appears a horrific alien monster.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh no.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

One of those horrific aliens.

**MADDY**

Just one of those horrific alien monsters.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Not the really cute kind?

**MADDY**

So, Mini you would recognise this as, not something from your planet, but from something from your solar system, that your boss Benson McDykle knows intimately because he used to be a wildlife correspondence on the planet Gravelex Six...

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

[Gasps] Oh.

**MADDY**

...and you know that on the planet that these creatures are from, the cities are sealed because the wildlife is so dangerous; and you can kind of see in the background of the portal that... because this is a parallel universe that things are slightly different wherever this creature is from, you can see like the ruins of a city behind it, and you know that this planet currently, in your universe, is fine and the cities are standing.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Sorry, can I ask what this thing looks like?

**MADDY**

Yes, yes, I was, yeah...

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

We've established Pip, it's horrifying!

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Yes.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Oh, is this love, crafty and horror you're not going to describe it, I'm just looking at it and going arghhhhhh, I can't.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

No, no, I've got a list. So, you know that this monster is called The Ravening.

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Oh dear.

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

Jim, The Ravening.

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

Jim, The Ravening. This creature has several eyes and a ring around its head.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Ah.

**MADDY**

So, it can see from any direction, has six muscular limbs with a singular six inch curved claw at the end of each of them, and so it makes a horrible clatter as it jumps out of this portal into the room, it has a protruding trunk like nose which kind of moves sensing the air and is covered in fine wiry hair and has these jagged teeth that overlap in horrible, impossible ways, and so I think at this point as this monster is bearing down upon you, it is time to end the episode there.

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

No!

**LYDIA AS MINI SMITHSON AKA SOLARTRIX**

No!

**MADDY**

Thank you so much for listening to Chapter and Multiverse...

**LOWRI AS BLODEUWEDD MORGAN AKA SYPHON**

Oh.

**MADDY**

...and we'll be back for the finale next week [Gasps!]

**PIP AS JOSEPH TELLER AKA ZENITH**

Oh no!

**MADDY**

But as always, I would like to ask our fantastic players where we can find them on the internet and if they have anything to plug, starting with Lydia?

**LYDIA**

Oh, it's me! I'm Lydia, you can find me on Twitter @lydnicholas. You can find my chickens @urbanhooks and have a lovely time zone, wherever you are.

**MADDY**

Excellent, and Pip?

**PIP**

Hello, you can find me @pip\_gladwin on Twitter, and that's where you'll find whatever it is that I'm doing at the time, whatever that might be, it might be

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good, it might be very bad but, crucially, I'll be in it so if that is something that interests you in anyway, then that's where you should head to find out about that, and that my friends is how you do an outro.

**(Laughter)**

**LOWRI**

There was a point in that, that I was like ah nailed it, and then you kept talking.

**(Laughter)**

No, it was beautiful.

**MADDY**

And Ahmed?

**AHMED**

Hello, I'm Ahmed Aljabry and you can find me right here waiting for the next session to start because I am too anxious for...

**(Laughter)**

...but otherwise, you'll find me on Twitter @mraljabry.

**MADDY**

Fantastic, and Lowri?

**LOWRI**

You can find me @lowritweets and in other podcasts.

**PIP**

Yeah!

**(Laughter)**

**MADDY**

And you can find me on Twitter and Instagram @maddy\_abstract where you can find various links to all the things that I do; and we hope to see you next time on Chapter and Multiverse, but until then, from all of us here in the space between worlds, facing down an alien, goodbye!

**EVERYONE**

Goodbye!

**PIP**

Oh god why?!

**[Show Theme - Outro]**

**THE ETERNAL TAVERN KEEPER**

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### **SFX Timestamps for all effects:**

4:00 24-Hour Dingy Cafe

4:25 extricate from hug

5:06 TARGE tablet calling

5:35 news broadcasts explosion

5:30 distant explosion heard

9:00 break car window with elbow

9:15 Outside

10:14 Driving very fast through city

11:30 slowing down to search (roll down windows? Industrial district night)

12:25 vague telepathy searching Mini

12:57 ping in telepathic field

13:42 exit car in Industrial District Night

15:28 removing glass carefully with ribbon powers

15:45 Abandoned Industrial District Building (robotic dog pacing back and forth over metal trap door)

18:05 BREAK

19:50 hacking robotic dog

20:44 pick up metal rebar (get dog's attention)

21:05 metal contorts into smile, metallic panting noise

22:24 ding! Green light goes on, metallic door opens

22:35 crew climbs down ladder

22:56 hop down

23:00 Workshop/laboratory with wires, tools

23:58 in another room, welding/metalwork happening (grinding metal and sparks)

26:15 pick up grappling hook and stow in grappling hook holder in utility belt

27:05 metallic clunk and delighted giggle from the next room

27:18 Mini telepathy field

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27:30 door bursts open

27:58 press button on wrists, tips of metal gloves retract

28:57 extend baton weapon

29:00 ish battle begins (music)

33:17 massive zap

33:38 raise gun device and shoot, portal appears and a horrific alien monster (The Ravening, several eyes, six muscular limbs on claws) steps out (alien city ruins behind the monster)

35:20 horrible claw clatter as it jumps out of portal

35:38 Episode Ends