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PROLOGUE

11301 EXT. BEACH (LAKE) - DAY 11301

A small crowd is gathered around a volley ball court set up on the sand. A banner stretched between two trees reads: Annual Volley Ball Championship, Angel Grove vs. Stone Canyon. We see several kids sitting in Suzuki Sidekick, which is parked on the sand.

Our six Rangers, dressed in modest swim suits, shorts and visors, along with a couple of other kids, are on one side of the net. Bulk and Skull stand by Ernie on the side lines. A ref blows his whistle to call the crowd and players attention.

REF
Alright! Players to your positions! We will now begin the final game for the championship!

ERNIE
(calling)
And the winners get a free lunch at my new outdoor cafe!

BULK
Does that include the fans of the winning team?

Ernie gives him a dry look.

SKULL
We'll take that as a no.

We go to our Teens who are limbering up as they wait.

TOMMY
Okay guys, we've made it this far. — encouraging pep talk

ROCKY
Right, now it's time to go for the gold!

KIMBERLY
Let's do it!

The kids fall into place as the ref blows his whistle and the competition begins. The crowd cheers for their favorite team.

11302 INT. ZEDD AND RITA'S PALACE- DAY 11302

Lord Zedd leads a blindfolded Rita to the balcony. There stands an odd shaped form completely draped.

RITA
I can't see! What kind of game is this?!

Zedd unties the blindfold.

ZEDD
Patience, my putrid precious, all will soon be revealed.

Zedd whips the drapery off to reveal a new telescope. Rita squeals with glee.

RITA
Zeddie!!!

ZEDD
For you my little flame of fury! To commemorate our anniversary!

RITA
How long have we been married anyway?

ZEDD
It seems only a moment, my unhappiness is so complete.

RITA
(to camera)
It feels more like a century!

Rita puts the telescope to her eye and whirls around looking into it. She aims it toward Zedd and jumps back with a start.

RITA
Ugh! Would you mind moving back a few hundred miles?!

She aims it off the balcony and zeros in on the Power Teens.

Rita's POV- Shot of the Power Teens, game in progress.

RITA
I love it! I love it! Now I can really catch all of the action!

Lord Zedd laughs as suddenly the palace begins to shake. Rita aims her telescope toward another area in the universe.

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11302CONTINUED: 11302

Rita's POV- A fiery orb of light is headed toward the moon.

RITA
Uh oh!

A huge jolt knocks Rita and Zedd out of the frame. A resounding crash follows. The camera moves down to see them sprawled but unhurt.

RITA
Get your big foot outta my back!

END PROLOGUE

ACT ONE

11303 EXT. BEACH - DAY 11303

Billy is about to hit a return volley when he is distracted by a rumbling from overhead. He looks up and misses the shot. The ball lands on Bulk's head. The crowd boos and cheers for their team.

BULK
Nice shot geekazoid!

SKULL
Yeah! Even I could have done that!

ERNIE
Come on guys. Give him a break.

Billy is still staring upward. The teens gather around.

BILLY
Did you hear that loud rumbling?

The other Rangers look up.

ADAM
I didn't hear anything.

They are interrupted by a kid from the other team calling over the net.

BOY
Let's go already! You gonna play or what!?

11303

1303 CONTINUED:

TOMMY
Come on you guys. Let's take this championship home!

ROCKY
Alright!

The Teens resume playing.

11304

11304 EXT. MOON- NIGHT

The orb of fire crash lands on the dark side of the moon. Slowly the flames extinguish to reveal a series of body part inserts. Hands, feet, legs, arms, eyes, etc. Slowly the camera pans up to reveal RITO REVOLTO. Rito digs in a bag hanging from around his waist and brings forth a handful of gray eggs. Carefully he buries them in the sand. Standing, he walks toward the palace.

11305

11305 INT. ZEDD AND RITA'S PALACE- DAY

Squatt, Baboo and Goldar run into the room. Rita and Zedd are sprawled on the floor.

BABOO
What was that big crash?!

RITA
Zip it! Just get me up!

The three move to help Zedd and Rita to their feet. Suddenly, there is the sound of a scream as the doors fly open with a loud crash followed by a figure landing sprawled in the middle of the room. The others jump.

ZEDD
Goldar! Seize the intruder!

Goldar hauls the figure up to it's feet to reveal Rito rubbing his head.

RITO
(Rita like voice)
That last step's a doozy!

Rita jumps in surprise.

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11305CONTINUED: 11305

RITA
Rito Revolto! What are you doing here!?

ZEDD
You know this klutz?

RITA
Know him? He's my brother!

SQUATT
Rita has a brother?

GOLDAR
I thought I smelled something rotten!

Rito stares at Goldar then cautiously sniffs under his arms.

RITO
Yep! That would be me!

11306 INT. COMMAND CENTER- DAY 11306

Alpha is busy at the control panel.

ZORDON
Alpha, have you located the source of disturbance on the moon?

ALPHA
Negative Zordon. The parametric spectrometer is acting up again.

ZORDON
Continue your investigation. I want to monitor all unexplained activities.

ALPHA
Right Zordon.

11307 EXT. BEACH- DAY 11307

The game is close to ending with Stone Canyon in the lead. The crowd cheers and calls encouragement. Bulk and Skull carry pennants for each team.

ERNIE
Come on guys! You can do it!

Bulk and Skull wave their Stone Canyon pennants.

11307

11307CONTINUED:

BULK
Come on Stone Canyon!

ERNIE
Stone Canyon!?

SKULL
Well yeah, the winners get the free lunch, right?

ERNIE
Yeah, so?

BULK
Well, if we root for 'em, maybe they'll share it with us! This way we get to eat no matter who wins.

Angel Grove scores a volley putting them one point behind.

TOMMY
Yes! - enjoy

KIMBERLY
Way to go!

Bulk and Skull wave their Angel Grove pennants.

BULK
Come on Angel Grove!

SKULL
Yeah! Angel Grove rules!

Ernie shakes his head at the two and goes back to cheering.

11308

11308 EXT. MOON- DAY

The camera closes in on the mounds of sand beneath which the eggs are buried. Slowly the eggs rock to the surface. They move slightly. One egg begins to crack emitting a small trickle of ooze and smoke.

11309

11309 INT. ZEDD AND RITA'S PALACE- DAY

Rita moves away from her telescope.

RITA
Hey, there's a bunch of eggs buried out there on the moon!

11309CONTINUED: 11309

RITO
Of course there are! I put them there.

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11309 CONTINUED: 11309

RITA
Why'd you do that?

Rito is playing with Zedd's staff. Zedd walks over to him and snatches it away.

ZEDD
Don't touch that! Answer your sister!

RITO
Gee, he's worse than Dad...I'm not telling! Those eggs are a wedding gift for you and Edd and they have to stay buried in the sand so they can hatch!

He smiles at Zedd.

RITO
Now listen, as I was saying Edd...I can get rid of the Power Rangers!

ZEDD
Zedd! Lord Zedd to you! And.. you couldn't get rid of a flea!

RITA
No, wait a minute! I have a plan! Rito could lead an army of monsters! In fact, Rito could be the decoy!

RITO
Yeah!!...what's a decoy?

ZEDD
Yes the Power Rangers will be so busy fighting Rito, the army of monsters would be able to grow and take them by surprise!

FINSTER
Oh yes, I like that idea! Why, I still have all the old molds for my most despicable monsters! Oh I must get started right away!

RITO
Hey, I have a plan! Wanna hear it!?

ALL
No!

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11309CONTINUED: (3) 11309

RITO
Okay.

Zedd turns to Finster.

ZEDD
Go!... Start making monsters!!

Finster scurries out. Zedd slaps Rito on the back.

11310 EXT. BEACH- DAY 11310

The game is incredibly close. The crowd is cheering wildly.

ADAM
One more point and we got it.

ERNIE
Come on guys! Do it for Angel Grove!

BULK
No! Do it for the free lunch!

The kids begin an incredible series of volleys combining gymnastic maneuvers. The crowd goes wild. Stone Canyon returns tit for tat. Finally, Billy does a flip and hits the ball just inside the line securing the win. Billy lays exhausted in the sand as everyone cheers. Rocky helps Billy up.

ROCKY
Awesome shot, Billy!

AISHA
You saved the day!

BILLY
We did it is a team.

The kids from Stone Canyon cross under the net to congratulate the winners. The captain shakes Tommy's hand.

BOY
Great game!

TOMMY
You too!

GIRL #1
(smiling)
We'll get you next time.

11310CONTINUED: 11310

ERNIE
You know, you've all played so well...Ah what the hey, lunch on the house for everybody!

KIMBERLY
Alright Ernie!

11311 INT. RITA AND ZEDD'S PALACE- DAY 11311

Rita stands looking through her telescope. Rito is pumping iron in preparation for his battle against the Rangers. Goldar is grudgingly spotting him.

RITO
...eighty seven, ninety two, seventy six...

GOLDAR
It's in the family. One dumb and one dumber!

RITO
Twenty four, thirty five... Hey! You're messing me up Goldbar!

GOLDAR
The name's Goldar you dunce.

Rita squeals from the balcony.

RITA
Aha! Look how much those eggs have grown, and they're moving!

Rita's POV- Shot of the eggs stirring and cracking.

RITA
What's in the eggs, Rito?

Rito lets go of the barbell causing Goldar who was steadying it to fall to his knees. Goldar cries out.

RITO
You can ask all you want but I'm still not telling!

RITA
Ooh! I can hardly wait!

11312 EXT. ERNIE'S OUTDOOR CAFE- DAY 11312

The crowd from the beach is all there. The Rangers socialize with the kids from Stone Canyon. Ernie is busy passing trays of food to all. Bulk and Skull sit at a table and swipe sandwiches off every tray that passes.

BULK
Now this is my kind of party!

SKULL
Yeah, all the free food you can eat!

Two cute girls sit at the next table gossiping.

GIRL #1
Wouldn't you just die to find out who the Power Rangers are? Think about it, they could be right here and we wouldn't even know it.

GIRL #2
All I want to know is who the guy Power Rangers are. I love a man in uniform.

The girls erupt into giggles. Bulk turns to Skull.

BULK
Did you hear that? Girls love a man in uniform.

SKULL
Yeah, I wonder where we could get some uniforms so they'd love us too.

Bulk looks above Skull to a poster for the Angel Grove Junior Police Patrol on the wall.

BULK
Hey! I just got an idea! Follow my lead!

SKULL
Uh...okay.

The two rise.

BULK
Can I have your attention please.

They begin to clink their forks against their plastic glasses. Skull spills his drink all over Bulk, who shoots him a look. Skull then gives a shrill whistle. *

11312CONTINUED: 11312

SKULL
(yelling)
Hey! Quiet!

The crowd stops talking abrubtly.

ROCKY
What's the deal, Skull?

SKULL
Uh....Bulk has something to say. I think.

BULK
That's right. As you know, Skull and I have always held the safety of the Angel Grove community close to our hearts...

SKULL
We have?

BULK
That's why Skull and I have decided to enroll in the Angel Grove Junior Police Patrol.

SKULL
We have?!

They are greeted with stunned stares of silence. Skull is stunned himself.

BULK
Well... isn't anyone going to say anything?

Skull starts to speak but Bulk slaps a hand over his mouth.

BULK
Uniforms Skull, just think of the girls!

Our six Teens begin to clap.

TOMMY
Come on guys! Give 'em a hand.

The rest of the crowd joins in.

11313 INT. ZEDD AND RITA'S PALACE- DAY 11313

Finster sweeps into the room. Rito is now on the floor doing sit ups. Squatt and Baboo each sit on his feet.

11313CONTINUED: 11313

FINSTER
Ahem... the monsters are completed.

Rito kicks his feet out sending Squatt and Baboo flying.

RITO
Yipee! Let's get this show on the road!

ZEDD
Bring the monsters forth Finster, so that I may look upon them!

Finster turns toward the door and beckons. Stag Beetle, the Flea, Lizzernator and Octophantom march through the door.

MONSTER
Hey! No pushing!

FINSTER
I have brought back four of my most horrible monsters ! They now have powers that will astound...

ZEDD
Silence! Get on with it!

Finster moves muttering to the door.

FINSTER
Oh right! No one cares about craftsmanship these days. All day long I churn them out like a factory.

RITO
(solemnly)
I'm gonna turn those Power Rangers into toe jam tacos!

RITA
Go get em Rito!

RITO
Charge!!!

Rito runs the monsters toward the door. Suddenly he stops.

RITO
Uhhh...Which way do I go?

RITA
Out! Out! Out! Get your miserable, sniveling behind out of here!

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RITO
Alright, I'm going. I'll get directions on the way.

Rito skulks out. Rita shakes her head.

GOLDAR
It must be hereditary.

RITA
Shut up, you brainless chimp!

11314 EXT. MOUNTAIN LOCATION- DAY 11314

Rito and his army of monsters materialize.

RITO
Alright everyone spread out and hide!

Rito moves to hide also. A monster stops him.

MONSTER
We're supposed to hide, not you.

RITO
Oh... okay.

Rito sits down on a rock and pouts as the monsters hide.

11315 INT. COMMAND CENTER- DAY 11315

Alpha is fiddling at the control panel.

ALPHA
Now if I could just get this parametric spectrometer back on track.

Suddenly the warning alarm shrieks.

ALPHA
Oh, ay yi yi!! Now what?!

ZORDON
Alpha, my sensors tell me that something is seriously amiss on the outskirts of Angel Grove! Without the parametric spectrometer I am unable to ascertain the exact cause of trouble. Contact the Rangers!

11315

11315CONTINUED:

ALPHA
Right Zordon!

11316

11316 EXT. ERNIE'S OUTDOOR CAFE- DAY

The six Teens are seated at a table. The party is still going on. Bulk and Skull are smiling beatifically at an enormous ice cream sundae.

ROCKY
I still can't believe those two are joining the Junior Police Patrol!

AISHA
Hey, you gotta give them credit.

They are interrupted by the sound of their communicators. The Teens exchange looks.

TOMMY
Alpha, we read you.- Alpha Level

ALPHA (O.C.)
Rangers, there is some kind of disturbance on the outskirts of Angel Grove!

TOMMY
We're on our way! - Level

The Teens run around the corner to a secluded spot and teleport.

11317

11317 EXT. MOUNTAIN AREA- DAY

The Teens arrive and look around. There's nothing in sight. Suddenly, Rito jumps up from behind a rock.

RITO
Aha! The Power Rangers!! Scared ya didn't I!

The Teens exchange looks.

11317CONTINUED: 11317

KIMBERLY
There's only one other creature with that kind of voice.

BILLY
Rita Repulsa to be exact.

RITO
I do not sound like my sister! My name is Rito Revolto! Prepare to be destroyed!

TOMMY
It's Morphin Time! - Lead

Standard Morphing sequence all six teens to Rangers

11318 INT. ZEDD AND RITA'S PALACE- DAY 11318

Rita and Zedd stand at the balcony with their staffs raised and touching. A bolt of lightning begins to spark.

RITA & ZEDD
By the power and force of lightning!
Make our monster grow!!

The bolt of lightning shoots toward Earth.

11319 EXT.MOUNTAIN AREA-AMERICAN/JAPANESE -DAY (03:06:05-03:10:05) 11319

The bolt of lightning enfolds Rito causing him to grow to gigantic proportions. The Rangers jump back.

YELLOW RANGER
Yikes!

RED RANGER
It's that time again!

The Rangers go into the Zord calling sequence. They form the Mega Thunderzord and Tigerzord and stand facing Rito. The six monsters rub their claws and cackle with glee.

RITO
Right on schedule!

The battle begins.

11320 INT. ZEDD AND RITA'S PALACE -DAY 11320

Rita stands looking through her telescope.

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11320CONTINUED:

Rita's POV- The eggs begin to crack open. Tiny, slimy claws and beaks slowly protrude.

RITA
Aha! Looks like they're almost done!

Goldar nudges Rita aside and peers through the telescope.

RITA
Hey! Watch it, monkey bait!

Goldar's POV- The battle between Rito and the Zords.

GOLDAR
Lord Zedd! Time for the surprise attack!

ZEDD
Yes! Come my Queen!

Zedd and Rita return to the balcony and touch their staffs together. A bolt of lightning sparks.

RITA
Grow monsters! Grow!!

11321*

11321 EXT. MOUNTAIN AREA- DAY *

The four monsters become enveloped in light and grow. They * step forward and circle the Zords.

11321A*

11321A INT. COCKPIT - DAY

BLACK RANGER
Where'd they come from?!

BLUE RANGER
It's an ambush!

WHITE RANGER
We'd better kick it into high gear!

They begin to battle all of the monsters plus Rito simultaneously. Rito shoots the Megazord with a jolt of power and the Zords begin to falter.

RED RANGER
Alpha! We need more power!

The Rangers are hit by the last jolt. An alarm begins to sound. The Rangers frantically try to assess the damage.

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11321A

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BLUE RANGER
We took that last hit in our power banks! Our power reserve is draining!

BLACK RANGER
Alpha! We need more power! This is an emergency!

11322

11322 INT. COMMAND CENTER- DAY

Alpha is in a dither as he operates the controls.

ALPHA
Hang in there Rangers! I'll intensify the power as much as I can!

ZORDON
Alpha, proceed with caution. The power accelerator is almost at it's peak level!

ALPHA
I know that! But the Zord's power bank is leaking like a spaghetti strainer! I've got to try and siphon some juice back into it!

Alpha brings up the power. The control board begins to shake from the force of it.

11323

11323 EXT. MOUNTAIN AREA- JAPANESE- DAY

The Zords receive a jolt of renewed power. They charge back into the battle. The Tigerzord falls.

WHITE RANGER
I need more power! I can't hold out!

The Zords are tiring. They swerve and stumble as the monsters and Rito attack.

RITO
Giving up so soon? The party's just begun!

11324

11324 INT. COMMAND CENTER- DAY

Alpha frantically presses buttons.

ALPHA
Aye, yi yi! The controls are going crazy! I'm afraid to push the power accelerator much harder!

11324

11324CONTINUED:

ZORDON
Give the Rangers as much power as you safely can!

INSERT: Tommy on the Viewing Globe.

WHITE RANGER
Come on Alpha! We're really taking a beating!

INSERT: Rocky from the cockpit with the other Rangers.

RED RANGER
You've gotta hit us with all you've got!

BLUE RANGER
There's no other choice! Hurry Alpha!

The cockpit is jerked violently.

Alpha waves his arms frantically.

ALPHA
Ay yi yi! What to do! What to do!

ZORDON
Rangers! The flux of power could ultimately strip your existing powers!

WHITE RANGER
(O.C.)
We'll take that risk!

Alpha pushes buttons on the control panel. The panel shakes and begins to smoke.

11325

11325 EXT. MOUNTAIN AREA- JAPANESE -DAY

The Zords are being brutalized. They stagger with exhaustion. The monsters are relentless.

11326

11326 INT. ZEDD AND RITA'S PALACE- DAY

Zedd, Rita Squatt and Baboo are dancing in a Conga line as Goldar stands near by flapping his wings in joy.

RITA
(laughing)
We're winning! We're winning! The Power Rangers are about to go down in the agony of defeat!

11326CONTINUED: 11326

ZEDD
Let's party!!!

They dance wildly.

11327 INT. COMMAND CENTER- DAY 11327

The needle of the power gauge is rapidly reaching the red line. Alpha is frantically pushing every button possible.

ZORDON
Alpha! You must find a way to stabilize the Accelerator!

ALPHA
I'm trying! Ay yi yi!!

The panel begins to shake uncontrollably. Smoke spews forth as the needle bursts through the red line. Alpha steps back.

ALPHA
Ay yi yi! This baby's gonna blow!!!!

The control panel gives a horrible groan as part of it sparks and smokes.

11328 EXT. MOUNTAIN AREA- JAPANESE- DAY 11328

The Zords slow and fall to their knees.

11329 INT. COCKPIT- DAY 11329

The Rangers frantically try to regain control.

RED RANGER
What happened?

PINK RANGER
We're going down!

BLACK RANGER
Hold on!

The cockpit rocks

YELLOW RANGER
Can't we do something?!

BLUE RANGER
It's over! We've lost all power!