4220 COMMAND CENTER

* excitment and awareness of Trophy missing
* Chimera can kick ass
* how cool

4222 command center

worried about Zack
read to fight Chemera

4232 commands center

* Excited about beating Chamera
* owell to trophy being destroyed
* what to Zack?
* That crazy Zack (Ya id kill you to!)

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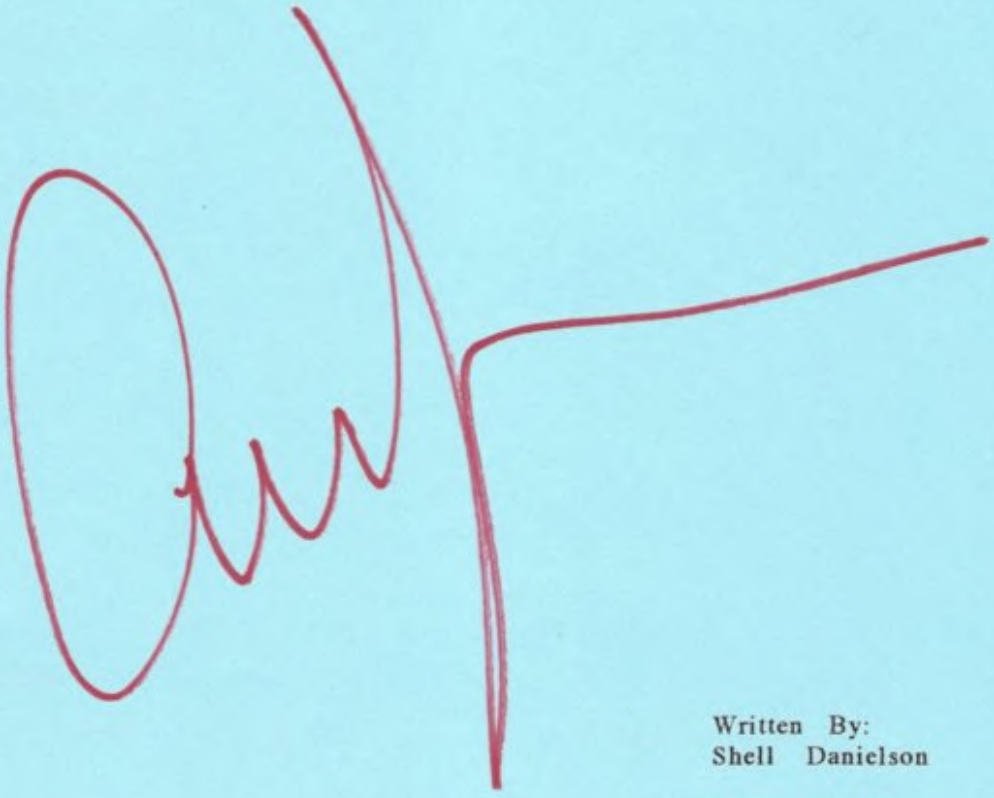

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SET BREAKDOWN

Interiors:

Juice Bar

Command Center

Exteriors

Angel Grove Park

Swing Set

Int. Movie Theater

CAST REGULARS:

Jason

Kimberly

Zack

Trini

Billy

Zordon

Alpha

Bulk

Skull

RECURRING

Ernie - Angela - Mr. Kaplan GUEST: Policeman (Heavy)

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PROLOGUE

4201 EXT. ANGEL GROVE PARK - DAY 4201

Shot of the blue sky above. The camera pulls down as we hear the sounds of cheering and laughter. **

ANGLE - We see a banner that reads " Oddball Games"
We're in the middle of the sack race. Zack (on the red team) is competing against Angela (who's on the blue team). There are two teams of kids engaged in an obstacle course. Our five Power Rangers are on the red team along with a couple of extras. They are dressed in assorted types of sweats, shorts, jackets etc. Each of the kids wear a red jersey. The blue team consists of Bulk, Skull, Angela and a few extras. They are dressed similarly but in blue jerseys. Mr. Kaplan, also in sweats, referees. The teams are in the process of completing the tire tromping event. Bulk has a hard time getting through this and manages to get his foot stuck in the tire. Jason flies swiftly past him and falls into the wheelbarrow event with Trini. Bulk manages to get unstuck as Skull stands by to continue on in the wheelbarrow event. Skull has a hard time lifting Bulk but finally manages to do so. They make a comical duo as they trundle forward knocking into the other players. The crowd cheers both teams on. Zack, Billy and Kimberly cheer for the red team.

BILLY
Come on Trini! You can do it!

Jason and Trini cross the finish line. The crowd cheers. Bulk and Skull, left eating dust, kick the dirt in disgust. Mr. Kaplan calls out to the kids.

MR. KAPLAN **
Alright! Settle down. We have a tie between the red and the blue team. It's time for our final event "The rope pull!" The winning team will receive the coveted "Noble Lion Trophy!"

ANGLE - Shot of the Noble Lion Trophy standing on a near by picnic table. **

MR. KAPLAN
Everyone man your positions!

The two teams jockey into position and face each other across a big, slimy patch of mud.

BULK
Hey, Jason. We're gonna whip you good!

JASON
Give it your best shot.

Just then, Angela walks into frame looking her usual fine self.

ZACK
Hey! Angela! Are you sure you don't want to defect over to the winning side! The Zack man's saved a special place just for you!

Angela gives Zack a snooty-flirty look.

ANGELA
Dream on!

Angela walks over and picks up the rope on the B team side. Bulk puffs out his chest.

BULK
That's right Zack (mockingly) Man! Angela knows which side the real men are on!

SKULL
(puffing up also)
Yeah...the real men!

The two teams grab both ends of the rope and man their positions.

4202 INT. RITA'S PALACE - SAME (Japanese footage) 4202

Rita pulls back from the repulsascope.

RITA
I'll give those Power Rangers a lion trophy they'll never forget!

GOLDAR
Yes my Queen. The Chimera monster of blizzards will destroy the Earth and put an end to those miserable Rangers once and for all!

Rita laughs maniacally.

END PROLOGUE

ACT - 1

4203 EXT. ANGEL GROVE PARK - DAY 4203

The competition is about to begin.

MR. KAPLAN
On the count of three I'll blow the whistle. One... two...three!

Mr. Kaplan blows his whistle. The pulling commences. Both teams struggle valiantly, the win could go either way.

ANGLE - The Ranger's faces a grimace of concentration.

ANGLE - hands pulling the rope.

ANGLE - feet slipping toward the mud.

ANGLE ON - Bulk growls and strains in exertion.

BULK
That trophy's mine buzzard breath! Prepare to eat mud!

KIMBERLY
Prepare to eat your words, Bulk!

JASON
Let's put a finish to this now!

BILLY
Time to teach those two the laws of physics!

TRINI
Team work every one! All together now!

The Rangers give a final tug pulling team B straight into the mud. Skull frantically latches onto Mr. Kaplan who gets dragged down into the heap losing his toupee in the process. All of team B land on top of Bulk and Skull mashing them further into the mud.

ANGLE - Close on Bulk and Skull's faces as they pull up from the mud. Bulk spitting out Mr. Kaplan's toupee, Skull a mouth full of mud.

The Power Rangers high five in victory!

BILLY
Stupendous! We won the Noble Lion Trophy!

ZACK
Jamorama!

Zack does a little dance step. Just then he looks over at Angela, who sits embarrassed in the mud. Zack walks over to her and removes his jacket. Laying it down in the mud he offers his hand to her in a very gallant fashion.

ZACK
(chivalrous)
Madame, may I be of some assistance?

Angela laughs good naturedly and accepts his help up.

ANGELA
(Full of mud)
You're just loving this, aren't you?

Zack smiles. Jason and Kimberly help Mr. Kaplan out of the mud.

TRINI
Good work Guys!

4204 EXT. ANGEL GROVE PARK - LATER 4204

Mr. Kaplan and most of the kids have dispersed to clean up. The five Rangers are gathered by some trees.

ZACK
(laughing)
Did you see the look on Bulk's face when he came up with Mr. Kaplan's toupee in his mouth?

TRINI
(giggling)
Poor Mr. Kaplan.

BILLY
Once again, team work has been proven the most effective against adversaries.

JASON
Ernie'll get a kick out of the Noble Lion Trophy.

Kimberly glances to the side.

KIMBERLY
Hey guys...speaking of the trophy...

KIMBERLY'S P.O.V - Shot of the picnic table where the trophy once stood.

TRINI
The trophy's gone!

ZACK
I'll bet you anything Bulk and Skull had a hand in this!

KIMBERLY
Well come on! We can't let them get away with it!

BILLY
This is a decidedly large expanse to cover.

JASON
I say we split up!

The Rangers split up, Zack with Billy and Trini, Jason with Kimberly. They head in opposite directions.

4205 INT. RITA'S PALACE - SAME 4205

Rita pulls back from the repulsascope

RITA
Uh oh!

GOLDAR
Those measly teens could destroy our plan if they retrieve the trophy now! Send down the putties to distract them! **

4206 EXT. ANGEL GROVE PARK - SAME 4206

Jason and Kimberly are searching in another part of the park.

JASON
Now where would you go if you were Bulk and Skull?

KIMBERLY
Please! Don't even mention such a horror!

All of a sudden a group of putties appear!

JASON
Don't these guys ever give it a rest?!

The putties advance and the fight is on. Kimberly lays into one.

KIMBERLY
Let's play some sock-a-bye baby!

Jason spins one around.

JASON
How about ring around the goon berry tree!

A thirty second putty fight ensues.

4207 INTERCUT : 4207

Trini, Billy and Zack are walking in another part of the park when they too are surprised by a group of putties!

ZACK
Oh great! The clay head patrol!

The putties advance and the fight is on! Billy slips down causing two putties to knock into each other!

BILLY
Timing is everything!

Trini delivers a kick.

TRINI
Take that you over grown eraser!

Zack does a quick hip hop and nails a putty.

ZACK
That was the Zackarumba!

A thirty second putty fight ensues.

4208 INTERCUT: 4208

Jason and Kimberly are fighting when the putties suddenly disappear.

JASON
What was that all about?

kim
I have no clue

4209 INTERCUT: 4209

Billy, Zack and Trini are into the battle when their putties also disappear.

ZACK
Now that was weird! I wonder what old Rita's up to now.

BILLY
We better go find Jason and Kimberly.

TRINI
Right!

The three run off.

CUT TO :

4210 EXT. ANOTHER PART OF THE PARK - SAME 4210

Bulk and Skull, dripping with mud, come to a stop by the lake.

SKULL
Those goody goody dweeb head's think they're so smart.

Bulk pulls out the Golden Lion Trophy from underneath his coat.

BULK
But...not smart enough to hold on to the prize!

4211 INT. RITA'S PALACE - SAME (Japanese footage) 4211

Rita concentrates on casting her evil spell.

SQUATT
What is her nastiness up to now?

GOLDAR
Silence fool! You'll break her concentration.

BABOO
Rita's casting a spell to call up the evil Chimera monster! He'll destroy all mankind with his blustering foul weather!

RITA
Lions and wizards, goat brains and gizzards! Turn that trophy into the Lord of all blizzards!

Rita throws out her wand and a bolt of energy surges down toward the earth.

4212 EXT. ANGEL GROVE LAKE - SAME 4212

Bulk and Skull are kneeling by the lake trying wash the mud off themselves. The Noble Lion Trophy lays behind them in the grass. Skull splashes water on his face and shakes his head spraying Bulk.

BULK
Hey! Watch it dog boy!

Skull cackles and splashes Bulk on purpose.

BULK
I'm warning you...

Just then the earth begins to shake and rumble. Skull lets out a yip and jumps on top of Bulk knocking them both to the ground. Looking towards the trophy they see:

BULK AND SKULL'S P.O.V.- The Noble Lion Trophy begins to shimmer and quake. Before their eyes the trophy begins to transform into - Japanese footage - The Chimera monster. A huge lion with a goat for a stomach.

Bulk and Skull quiver in terror.

SKULL
N...n...nice kitty...

The Chimera monster roars and baahs at the same time, blowing forth the wind of a hurricane. (Japanese footage) Bulk and Skull, their hair standing on end, scream and fall all over themselves trying to get away.

BULK
Give that kitty some cat nip! I'm outta here!

SKULL
Me too!

The Chimera monster roars again causing Bulk and Skull to trip over themselves and crash into the lake. In fast motion they clumsily dog paddle away, howling and screaming all the way out of frame. (*)

ANGLE - (Japanese footage) The Chimera monster roars and baahs. He blows forth a wind causing the trees to bend. (*)

4213 INT. YOUTH CENTER - LATER THAT DAY 4213

Zack and Jason are working out at the sparring bag. Kimberly near by is doing a gymnastic routine. All three are in work out clothes.

ZACK
Too bad about the trophy.

JASON
We don't need a trophy to know we're winners. (*)

Angela all cleaned up and looking great, literally blows into the juice bar. She spots Zack and walks over to him.

KIMBERLY
Don't look now Zack, but your dream diva is headed this way.

Zack smiles and tries to act casual.

JASON
Hey Zack, you gonna ask her out again?

ZACK
Man, she's a babeasaurous, but, I gave up on Angela a long time ago.

Zack, seeing Angela approaching goes into an impressive routine.

JASON
(laughing)
You gave up huh?

Angela joins the group. She leans down and whispers in Zack's ear.

ANGELA
Hey Zack...How about you and I catching a matinee or something.

Zack turns to face the Rangers and doubles down mouthing the word YES! He turns back to her and slips his arm around her shoulder.

ZACK
Guys, don't call me...I'll call you.

Zack proudly escorts Angela to the door. He does a little hip hop spin and gives the Rangers a thumbs up sign. The two Power Rangers look at each other and burst out laughing.

KIMBERLY
Way to go Zack Man!

DISSOLVE TO:

4214 EXT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 4214

Shot of the command center. The sound of thunder gathering ominously.

4215 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 4215

Alpha runs frantically in circles. The sound of thunder booming and wind howling can be heard

ZORDON
Rita's at it again! (*)

ALPHA
What is it Zordon? (*)

ZORDON
The circuits are all malfunctioning on the telescanner. (*)

ZORDON
Rita's called up the Chimera monster. Half goat, Half lion, he can control the weather and cause extensive damage! Contact the Power Rangers at once!

ALPHA
Right Zordon! Aye yai yai!

4216 EXT. STOCK FOOTAGE - Scenes of hurricanes and other destructive weather. 4216

4217 INT. JUICE BAR - DAY 4217

Jason and Kimberly are at the juice bar. Sounds of howling wind can be heard crashing outside. Lightening flashes through the windows. . Trini and Billy come rushing in dressed in raincoats and carrying a turned inside out umbrella.

BILLY
This weather is particularly precarious!

TRINI
That storm is raging outside! It just blew in from no where!

Ernie comes running through with a couple of flash lights.

ERNIE
We're on a tornado watch! I just heard it on the news! Everyone get to the basement!

The crowd of kids herd after Ernie.

KIMBERLY
Guys, like I don't like the looks of this.

JASON
Something tells me this isn't Mother Nature at work.

TRINI
More like Rita if you ask me.

Just then Jason's communicator goes off. Seeing that they are now alone the Rangers gather around Jason.

JASON
We read you Zordon. What's going on?

4218 INT. COMMAND CENTER - SAME 4218

Angle on Zordon.

ZORDON
Rita's created another monster and it's on the rampage! Teleport to the command center at once!

JASON
(v.o)
Zack's not with us.

ZORDON
Alpha will contact him from here! Hurry Rangers!

4219 INT. JUICE BAR - SAME 4219

On the four Rangers.

JASON
Alright Guys, ready for teleportation!

The Rangers teleport out.

4220 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 4220

The four Rangers teleport into the command center and face Zordon.

ZORDON
Rangers, we have a dire situation on our hands. Rita has called up the Chimera monster and channeled it through your ":Noble . Lion Trophy."

TRINI
So that's what happened to the trophy.

ZORDON
Observe the viewing globe.

The Rangers walk over to the viewing globe. ANGLE - Shot of the Chimera monster in the viewing globe. The Chimera monster is blowing his bad weather creating chaos.

KIMBERLY
Man, that dude's bad news.

how cool! amazing

ZORDON
The Chimera monster has the ability to conjure up hurricanes, tornadoes and blizzards to destroy the world. This creature must be stopped.

where is Zack?

TRINI
Alpha, have you managed to contact Zack yet?

ALPHA
I'm still trying. I can't figure out why he's not responding!

4221 INT. MOVIE THEATER - SAME (Swing set - dark - close on Zack and Angela) 4221

Zack and Angela are seated in the theater. The movie playing is a loud action adventure. The soundtrack is blasting. Over this we hear a loud crack of thunder. Zack glances to Angela and slowly makes a move to put his arm around her shoulder. She gives him a cool look. He smiles sheepishly and uses his raised hand to scratch his head. She returns her gaze to the screen. Just then there is another boom of thunder. Zack uses the opportunity to whip his arm around her shoulders and pull her tight.

ZACK
Man it's chilly in here. Feels like winter!

Angela removes his arm and freezes him with a stare.

ANGELA
It's not <u>that</u> cold!

Zack gives a little grin and also turns to watch the movie. The music and sounds of the storm combine to make a deafening symphony.

INSERT - Close on Zack's communicator. The lights are flashing crazily and we can barely hear it's signal.

Pull back to reveal Zack stealing looks at Angela, totally oblivious to his communicator.

4222 INT. COMMAND CENTER - SAME 4222

The Rangers turn to look at Zordon.

worried + determined

ZORDON
Alpha will continue trying to reach Zack. You four must go ahead and fight the Chimera monster. Good luck Rangers! (*)

JASON
Alright, It's morphin time!

The Rangers individually call out their power names and morph out.

4223 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE 4223

The four Rangers engage in a fight against the Chimera monster. The Chimera monster traps them in a tornado. (*) (*)

JASON
We're trapped!

KIMBERLY
We need Zack!

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

4224 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - The Rangers are trapped in the tornado. The Chimera monster roars. 4224 (*)

4225 INT. RITA'S CASTLE - SAME 4225

Rita moves from the telescope.

RITA
I like that Lion!

BABOO
You're a genius your evilness! A genius!

SQUATT
Can I have that lion for a pet?

GOLDAR
Silence! The end of the Power Rangers is near!!

4226 INT. MOVIE THEATER - DAY 4226

The movie soundtrack has changed to suspenseful. Frightening music swells along with the sound of a howling wolf. Angela hides her eyes in terror and jumps toward Zack. Zack taking his cue, holds her close. This is just what he's been waiting for. Zack smiles serenely as he becomes lost in the heaven of the moment. Just then Zack's communicator goes off. Talk about your bad timing! Zack stifles a groan.

ANGELA
(whispering)
What was that?

ZACK
(whispering)
Uhh...nothing. Just my popcorn alarm. Save my seat, I'll be right back.

Zack hurries to the back of the theater and exits.

4227 INT. MOVIE THEATER (CORRIDOR) - SAME 4227

Zack walks into frame and leans against a movie poster in the deserted corridor. He looks around to make sure no one is there. Satisfied he is alone he talks into his communicator.

ZACK
I read you Alpha, what's up?

ALPHA
(v.o)
Zack! The Rangers need you immediately. They've been trapped in a tornado by the Chimera monster. You must hurry!

ZACK
I'm on the job! This Chimera monster's gonna pay for interrupting my date!...It's morphin time!

Zack morphs.

4228 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE 4228

Zack arrives on top of the mountain with his weapon. The Chimera monster turns to face him, roars and baahs. Zack pulls out his Power Axe.

ZACK
Pasta la Pizza, Baby!

The Chimera monster roars in response.

ZACK
Here kitty kitty...I'm in a bad mood and have I got a surprise for you!

Zack fights the Chimera monster.

4229 INT. RITA'S PALACE 4229

Rita angrily waves her magic wand.

RITA
Magic wand! Make my monster grow!!!

4230 EXT. BATTLE FIELD - JAPANESE FOOTAGE 4230

The Chimera monster grows and attacks the Rangers.

JASON
We need Megazord Power!!

ALL
Right!!

The Rangers call on the megazord. They battle the Chimera monster and win.

4231 INT. RITA'S PALACE - SAME 4231

Rita moves away from the telescope hopping mad! Squatt and Babboo scramble out of her way.

RITA
That over grown fur ball just gave me another headache!!

GOLDAR
We'll get them next time, my queen!

SQUATT
We will! we will!!

4232 INT. COMMAND CENTER - SAME 4232

The five Rangers are gathered in front of Zordon.

ZORDON
Congratulations on a job well done. I'm sorry that your trophy was destroyed.

Zack smiles at Jason.

ZACK
That's alright. We didn't need a trophy to prove we're winners.

ALPHA
Another happy ending.

Zack looks at his watch and smacks himself on the head.

ZACK
Oh no!

TRINI
What's wrong?

ZACK
Talk about happy endings! I left Angela sitting back in the theater! It'll be curtains for me if I don't get there before the curtain goes down! I'm outta here! See Ya!

The four Rangers laugh as Zack teleports out of there!

END ACT TWO

EPILOGUE

4233 INT. MOVIE THEATER - LATER 4233

Zack enters the theater carrying two huge buckets of popcorn. He makes his way to Angela and sits down. She is in a decidedly frosty mood. He hands her some popcorn, she jerks it out of his hand and slams it on the ground.

ZACK
(sheepishly)
Sorry...it was a long line.

Angela picks up the popcorn and dumps it in Zack's lap. She gets up and stalks out of the theater. Zack looks around, shrugs, then settles in to watch the movie eating the popcorn from his lap.

4234 INT. JUICE BAR - LATER 4234

The five Rangers are gathered around the juice bar. Ernie stands on a small ladder watering some hanging plants.

Just then Bulk and Skull are hauled in by the scruff of their necks by a huge policeman. They are totally disheveled. Both are covered in swamp muck and mud, and let off a horribly pungent odor. The Rangers scrunch up their noses in disgust.

KIMBERLY
Pee ewe!

POLICE OFFICER
I'm trying to find out if anyone can positively identify these two "gentlemen." We found them doing sixty on foot in a thirty mile zone.

Jason looks to the other Rangers and winks.

JASON
Identify them? Sure. Aren't they the Swamp creatures from the black lagoon?

BULK
Awe, C'mon guys.

ZACK
Man, it's hard to tell who it is under all that gunk.

TRINI
They look sort of familiar to me.

The Rangers all shake their heads. Bulk and Skull react.

BULK
It's us, your friends Bulk and Skull. Don't you recognize us?

Bulk and Skull scramble to wipe off the mud covering their faces. The Power Rangers relent.

BILLY
Unfortunately Officer, we do know them.

Bulk and Skull smile.

SKULL
That's more like it!

Just then Bulk begins to shake and twitch.

BULK
Hey!...Hey I feel something! What's going on?!

Bulk does a jerky dance across the floor until he pulls a frog out of his shirt. He tosses it to Skull who tosses it to Trini, who throws it to Billy, who pets it. Bulk and Skull step back knocking into Ernie who is still up on a ladder watering plants

Ernie's watering can flies, soaking Bulk and Skull. The Rangers laugh.

KIMBERLY
Well, you like really needed a bath anyway!

The Rangers high five.

THE END