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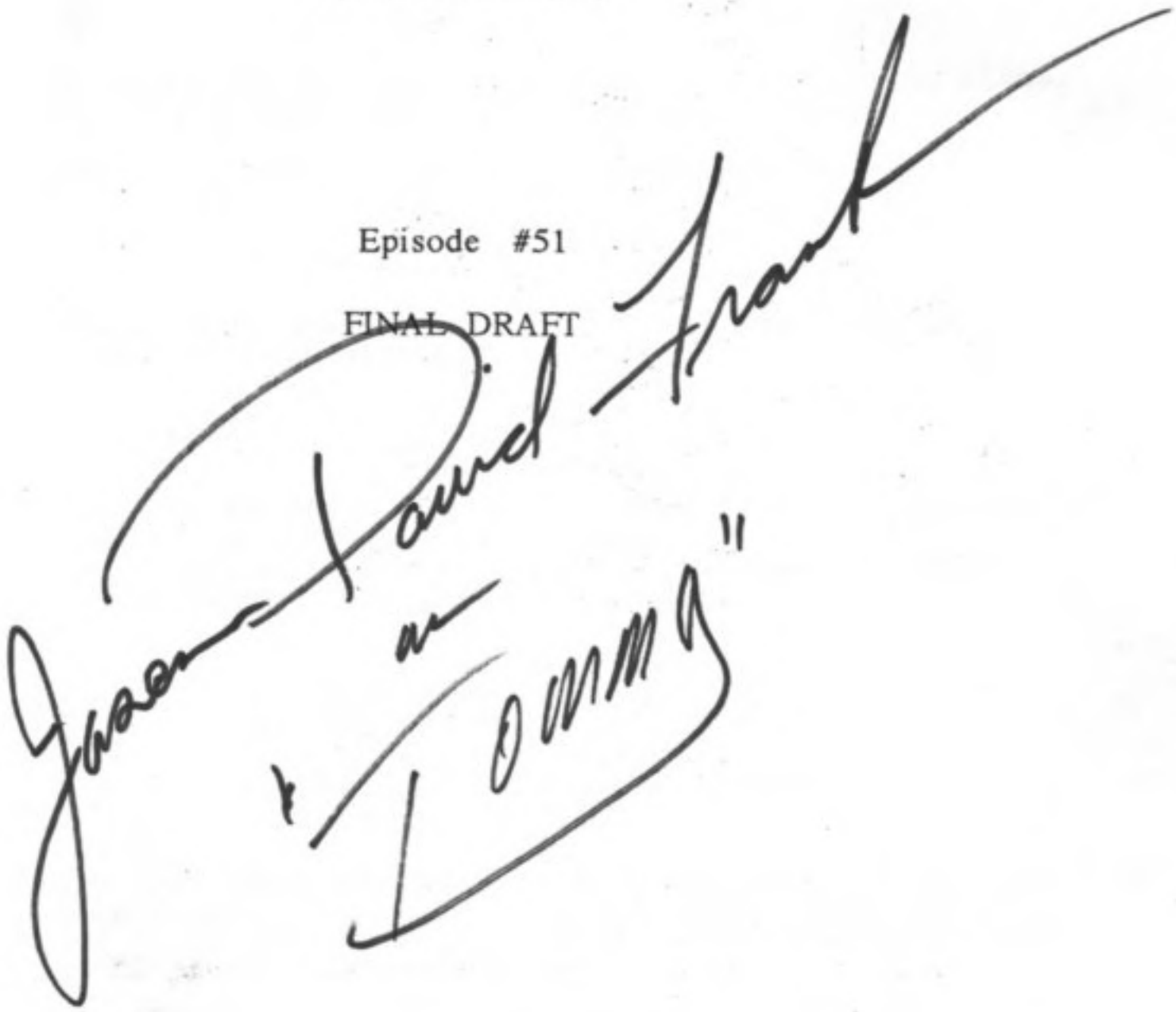

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PROLOGUE

FADE UP ON:

5101 INT. CLASSROOM - DAY 5101

Mrs. Appleby has distributed test results to the class. She stands above Billy and hands him his test. XX

ANGLE ON TEST - CLOSE UP ON A LARGE RED "B".

MRS. APPLEBY
Sorry, Billy.

Billy takes the test slowly, and regards it with something akin to horror.

BILLY
I don't believe it. A "B"!

ANGLE ON BILLY and his facial reaction as we hear a special reverb effect on the sound "B", B, B, B,) Trini, who is seated next to him, reaches for Billy's arm as we hear the school bell ring. XX

MRS. APPLEBY
Remember, only those with the top scores will be invited to join the Young Scientists of America club. Tomorrow is the final test. Study!

The bell rings and students in class get up from their chairs and file out of the room. Jason, Zack, Kimberly and Trini hang back by the door to wait for Billy, who is dumbstruck at receiving a "B". XX

BILLY
I'm most perplexed. I've never received a B before!

5101 (CONTINUED)

JASON
Tough break, Billy. I know you were expecting an A, but sometimes things turn out the way they're supposed to BE!

ON BILLY AGAIN AS THE SPECIAL REVERB B, B, B, B, effect sounds. Billy quickly looks down at his paper and the bright red "B" on the top. Kimberly and Trini stare at Jason with big, round eyes, gesturing their heads towards Billy. Through clenched teeth, Kimberly hisses..

KIMBERLY
Jason!

Jason immediately realizes his mistake.

JASON
Uh...sorry, Billy.

ZACK
Look, Billy. Don't sweat it, man. A B's not so bad!

KIMBERLY
Yeah...if they were, I'd be in big trouble! I get them all the time.

BILLY
Perhaps, Kimberly...but I never do, and I've been working so hard for this...

TRINI
You did your best, Billy. That's all any of us can do...

ANGLE ON BULK AND SKULL as they strut up to the group, popping gum and holding their own test scores.

BULK
Too bad about the "B", Geek! B stands for bad...didn't you know?

SKULL
Yeah. B stands for Bulk too, doesn't it?

5101 (continued)

Bulk gives Skull an irritated look.

JASON
Bug off, Bulk.

KIMBERLY
Yeah..leave him alone. XX

Bulk and Skull move away, smirking, but as they head out the door, Bulk turns back and says sarcastically,

BULK
See ya, wouldn't want 'ta BE ya!

ANGLE ON BILLY AS WE HEAR THE REVERB SOUND EFFECT AGAIN ON THE B SOUND. XX

5102 INT. RITA'S PALACE - DAY 5102

Rita storms around on her helm laughing at this new bit of information. Goldar is standing nearby.

RITA
Hmmm. B, B, B...how perfect! That gives me an idea! Finster! Make me a nasty, stinger-bee! XX

Rita goes to Finster's workshop as he puts the finishing touches on a monster and pops it into the monster-matic.

GOLDAR
Yes, your evilness. A Bee monster which shoots poisonous venom and lethal stingers! Then we can finally settle the score with those Power Rangers once and for all!

F.T.B.

END OF PROLOGUE

ACT ONE

FADE UP ON:

6103 INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY/LOCKERS - DAY 5103

The power teens are in the locker area. In the background we see orange cones on the floor and a sign which reads, "WET FLOOR...CAUTION!" There is a mop and a bucket of water near it. Billy is taking an armload of books out of his locker.

ZACK
Hey, man, don't take it so hard...Maybe acing that grade just wasn't meant to BE.

ON BILLY AS THE REVERB SPECIAL EFFECTS RING OUT THE B, B, B, SOUND. The other power teens glare at Zack who makes a facial gesture and backs away, shrugging apologetically. XX

KIMBERLY
Remember, Billy. You studied hard, and did your best.

JASON
You look like you could use a break. Why don't you come to the park with us and shoot a few baskets to clear your mind. XX

BILLY
Uh...no thanks...I appreciate your efforts, but acceptance into the Young Scientist's of America club is very important to me. I'd better study.

The kids all nod knowingly.

TRINI
I'll stay with you. I can help quiz you on the questions.

BILLY
Thank you, Trini. That would be most helpful.

Just as everyone is about to leave, Bulk and Skull saunter up to them. Bulk is munching on a dripping, honey sandwich, and walks right up to Billy's face.

5103 (CONTINUED)

BULK
To **Be** or not to **Be**! Ha ha ha.

WE HEAR THE REVERB EFFECT, ANGLE ON BILLY AS HE REACTS TO IT. Then he looks down at his shoes.

BULK
Oops...did I say something wrong?

Bulk takes another gushy bite of his sandwich, honey dripping down his hands.

BULK
Hmm hmm good. A nice, gooey, honey sandwich. By the way...who makes honey, Skull?

SKULL
Would that be a "Bee"?

BILLY
Uh...yes...a bee.

BULK
You're right! Oh, sorry, geek. You just can't stay away from that "B" word, can you?

MORE REVERB ON THE B SOUND.

KIMBERLY
Get a life, Bulk. That's no way to BE! Whoops!

ON BILLY AS HE REACTS TO THE "B" SOUND. ON Bulk as he comes close to glare at Kimberly with gooey honey dripping all over his hands.

JASON
Back off, Bulk. Why don't you check out a little soap and water for those hands.

Bulk and Skull look at each other, laugh and wave the group off, as if they were totally insignificant. As Bulk and Skull strut backwards, they don't notice the "WET FLOOR" sign and the mop and water bucket. They step onto the wet floor, slip and end up drenched from the water in the bucket.

5103(CONTINUED)

ZACK
I guess you're all "washed up" now, eh Bulk?

Bulk and Skull groan, get up, and slosh loudly down the hall as the other kids chuckle. Jason pats Billy on the shoulder.

JASON
Are you sure you won't change your mind?

BILLY
No, thanks. I'd better study.

The kids wave and exit the hallway as we,

CUT TO:

5104 INT. RITA'S PALACE - DAY 5104

Rita, Goldar, and their minions watch as their monster plops out of the monster-matic.

RITA
Wait'll those Power Brats see my A student!

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GOLDAR
The Grumble Bee will teach them a thing or two, your evilness! And after it's done with them, it can destroy the world!

INSERT FOOTAGE OF the Grumble Bee as it ruffles its wings, causing an assault of ultrasonic assault waves.

CUT TO:

5105 INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY 5105

Billy and Trini are sitting at a table with books open and spread out all around them. She begins reading from an encyclopedia.

5105 (CONTINUED)

TRINI
This says that the bee is the highest form of insect, belonging to the order Hymenoptera, whatever that means.

BILLY
That's it! The question I missed! I can't believe I blew the test on a bee question!

TRINI
Do you know what it means?

BILLY
Certainly. It's a term which defines a specific order of insects....such as bees.

TRINI
You're amazing, Billy.

CUT TO:

5106 EXT. PARK - DAY 5106

Jason, Zack and Kimberly are on the basketball court, dribbling shooting baskets. They stop for a drink of water.

JASON
I wonder how Tommy's doing at the Karate finals?

KIMBERLY
I'm sure he'll do well...he was prepared for it.

ZACK
Speaking of being prepared, ...I hope Billy doesn't get too tired from so much studying.

5106 (CONTINUED)

KIMBERLY
Me too...getting a B on a test is nothing to be ashamed of.

Jason snags the ball from Zack and dribbles it down the court.

JASON
Don't forget...Billy's a straight "A" student. For him, getting a "B" is a let down.

He tosses the ball to Kimberly who dribbles around with it, takes a shot, and makes an easy basket. Zack takes the ball, dribbles it, then jumps and dumps it through the hoop. XX

ZACK
But getting into that club is important to Billy. I'm sure he'll do whatever it takes to ace the next test.

CUT TO:

5107 INT. RITA'S PALACE - DAY 5107

Rita is watching the scene from her helm.

RITA
I'm not quite ready for MY Grumble Bee to deal with those Power brats.

GOLDAR
It must do more damage first, Wicked Queen!

RITA
So, what are you waiting for! Do something to keep them busy!

GOLDAR
Yes, mistress of madness! As you wish. The puttys and I will go down for a little visit!

Goldar laughs, then disappears from the palace.

CUT TO:

5108 EXT. PARK - DAY 5108

Kimberly is aiming her shot for the basket when the kids hear the familiar sound of the puttys. They turn to see several puttys coming straight for them.

KIMBERLY
Oh great..just when I was getting warmed up!

JASON
Spread out. Let's take them!

The power teens launch into a karate fight with several puttys. They're about to finish them off when Goldar suddenly appears with several more.

Goldar laughs and points around at the multitude of puttys. Jason, Kimberly and Zack are hopelessly outnumbered.

GOLDAR
You think you're pretty smart, Power Rangers. But trust me...this class has just begun. I'm sure you'll enjoy the lesson!

JASON
What lesson could you possibly teach us?

Goldar takes a strange-looking black rope from somewhere in his costume and gives it to one of the putty patrollers. The puttys quickly surround the teens and tie their hands together with the rope before they have a chance to get at their transmorphers.

KIMBERLY
Hey! Cut it out, putty brain!

Goldar laughs.

5108 (CONTINUED)

GOLDAR
This magic rope will keep you behind an electrical force field, Power Rangers, and out of our way. Enjoying the class so far? Ha ha ha ha!

The teens struggle against the rope, but to no avail. The rope gives off a strange shimmer (or other SFX which shows they are now in a force field).

JASON
You can't get away with this, Goldar.

GOLDAR
I already have! You failed this test, Power Rangers! Ha ha ha ha!

The teens struggle wildly, while the puttys return to Goldar's side.

GOLDAR
We've created a monstrous beast, Power Brats! You cannot stop us. Our evil "Grumble Bee" will destroy the world!

The Power teens struggle with the ropes. We use SFX to show that they are in an impenetrable force field. Goldar laughs maniacally and he and the puttys disappear.

CUT TO:

5109 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - DAY 5109

Insert footage of the Grumble Bee - with its evil stingers extended.

51/10 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 51/10

Alpha is in a panic. INSERT FOOTAGE OF THE GRUMBLE BEE into the viewing globe.

5110 (CONTINUED)

ALPHA
Ayi yi yi! I must contact Jason and the others right away!

Alpha punches buttons on his console.

CUT TO:

5/11 EXT. PARK - DAY 5/11

Jason, Zack and Kimberly are struggling. They hear the beep from their communicators, but can't respond.

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JASON
Oh, man!

KIMBERLY
What are we gonna do?

CUT TO:

5/12 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 5/12

ANGLE ON Alpha as he holds his head.

ALPHA
I can't get through to them, Zordon!

ZORDON
Alpha, behold the viewing globe.

INSERT FOOTAGE (into the viewing globe) OF THE Power Teens tied up, and struggling.

ALPHA
Oh no! They're really in a bind. What do we do, Zordon!

ZORDON
Contact Billy and Trini immediately.

5112 (CONTINUED)

ALPHA
Oki doki, Zordon! Right away!

CUT TO:

5/13 INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY 5/13

Billy and Trini are studying when they hear their communicators go off. They go to a quiet corner and respond.

BILLY
Yes, Zordon.

ZORDON (o.s.)
Teleport to the command center immediately!

TRINI
But what about studying, Billy? XX

BILLY
Our studies can wait. This is more important. XX

TRINI
You're right...let's go! XX

Trini and Billy dash out to the entrance hall, make sure no one is looking, and teleport out of the scene.

CUT TO:

5/14 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 5/14

Billy and Trini arrive in the Command Center.

BILLY
What's happening Zordon?

TRINI
Where's everyone else?

5114 (CONTINUED)

ZORDON
Your friends are being held by an electronic force contained in Goldar's rope. Behold the viewing globe.

Billy and Trini turn their gaze to the globe as we INSERT FOOTAGE OF Zack, Jason and Kimberly struggling with their bonds.

TRINI
Oh no!

ANGLE ON ALPHA as he holds his head and shakes it.

ALPHA
I haven't figured out how to free them yet. Oh, this is an awful mess!

BILLY
We must go to them!

ZORDON
Wait! There is a much more pressing problem, Power Rangers! Return your attention to the globe.

The teens look at the globe again, where we <u>INSERT FOOTAGE OF THE GRUMBLE BEE shaking his feathers.</u>

ZORDON (o.s.)
Rita has created a monstrous bee which spouts lethal venom, and shoots poisonous stingers. Left to its own devices, it could destroy mankind!

TRINI
We have to stop it!

BILLY
But, what about the others! We can't leave them there.

5114 (CONTINUED)

ZORDON
Alpha is working on a solution to that problem, Power Rangers. But you must head off Rita's monster now!

TRINI
It's morphin time!

CUT TO:

5/15 INT. STANDARD MORPHING SEQUENCE - DAY 5/15

Blue and Yellow morphing sequence.

CUT TO:

5/16 EXT. JAPANESE FIGHT FOOTAGE 5/16

The Blue and Yellow Ranger meet face to face with the Grumble Bee.

TRINI
We will not allow you to destroy our planet! Leave here...now!

MONSTER
No way, Power Rangers. I've only just begun!

TRINI
Come on Billy! Let's get that BEE! XX

SOUND EFFECTS OF THE "B" SOUND REVERBERATING. Billy suddenly grabs his head. Trini turns to him. XX

TRINI
Billy, what's wrong?

BILLY
Nothing...I'm trying to focus. It's that BEE! XX

5116 (CONTINUED)

Suddenly the Grumble bee sends its' poisonous stingers at the Power Rangers which cause an explosion, sending Billy rolling on the ground.

TRINI
That was a direct hit. You okay?

BILLY (o.s.)
That last blast really rocked me.

The monster sends a stinger-barb at Trini, but in the middle of the sparks, she quickly climbs up a tree.

TRINI
I'm going to jump on it from up here, Billy. Take this, Grumble Beast! Hi Ya!

Trini leaps from the tree and lands on the monster's chest, sending it rolling across the park.

TRINI
Come on, Billy! I'll set you up for the high flip. Finish this guy off!

Billy rushes toward Trini, who cups her hands so he can do a high gymnastic leap, but his karate kick falls short, and he lands in a heap on the ground.

TRINI
What happened? You've never missed that flip before.

BILLY
Sorry Trini...I don't seem to be able to get anything right today.

TRINI
Don't think that way, Billy. We can do it if we try! We must defeat him.

BILLY
You're right. I'm ready!

5116 (CONTINUED)

MONSTER
Watch this, Power Rangers. Now I'll show you my true power!

The Grumble beast begins to ruffle its feathers, and creates an ultrasonic sound which the Power Rangers cannot bear.

TRINI
Oh no! My ears!

BILLY
The sound is deafening. We can't take this for long!

As the Grumble Beast continues to shake, we

FTB.

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

FADE UP ON:

5117 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - DAY 5117

The Power Teens are unable to bear the ultrasonic waves.

TRINI
It's getting worse! We better teleport out of here.

BILLY
I agree. We need help!

Blue and Yellow Rangers run out of scene.

CUT TO:

5118 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 5118

Trini and Billy teleport to the command center, (and arrive out of costume.)

BILLY
Zordon, the ultrasonic waves are too powerful. We must find the monster's weakness.

5118 (CONTINUED)

ZORDON
Alpha is creating a special weapon for that purpose, Power Rangers.

ANGLE ON THE VIEWING GLOBE as we watch Jason, Zack and Kimberly struggling against the electronic shield.

TRINI
What about the others!

BILLY
We've got to try to free them.

ZORDON
Good luck, Power Rangers!

Billy and Trini teleport out of the Command Center.

CUT TO:

5/19 EXT. PARK - DAY 5/19

Trini and Billy land in the park (out of costume).

TRINI
There they are!

They run to where the other Power Rangers are tied up.

JASON
It's good to see you guys.

KIMBERLY
Hurry, please!

Billy pulls on the rope, but cannot loosen it.

ZACK
Come on, guys...pull harder!

As they struggle with the rope, we hear Billy's communicator go off. He answers it.

BILLY
Zordon...we can't free them.

5119 (CONTINUED)

ZORDON (o.s.)
The situation has gotten worse. You and Trini must morph and battle the Grumble Bee once again!

Billy and Trini look at their friends.

TRINI
But how can we leave them here!

Jason looks at the rope, then at Trini and Billy.

JASON
You've got to go! You and Billy have to try to stop the monster. Now! XX

Billy and Trini look at their friends, and reluctantly agree.

BILLY
Affirmative, Jason. We'll do our best. XX

TRINI
It's morphin time!

CUT TO:

5120 INT. STANDARD MORPHING SEQUENCE - DAY 5120

Blue and Yellow morphing sequence.

CUT TO:

5121 EXT. JAPANESE FIGHT FOOTAGE - DAY 5121

Trini and Billy leap back into the scene with the Grumble bee.

TRINI
We're back. Now you'll learn a lesson, Grumble Bee.

Trini and Billy battle with the bee monster.

TRINI
Ki ya!

5121 (CONTINUED)

BILLY
Hi ya!

MONSTER
You have felt my sting, now feel the poison of my venom!

The monster sprays a yellow substance on Billy and it begins to smolder.

TRINI
Oh no! Billy! What is that stuff?

BILLY
Stay back, Trini! The venom is toxic! I'm okay but it's melting my suit! XX

TRINI
I hope Alpha can find a way to free the others!

(WE CUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS FOOTAGE - BEFORE THE OTHER RANGERS APPEAR.)

CUT TO:

5122 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 5122
Alpha is fiddling with his buttons and dials and accidently pulls a lever and pushes a button at the same time. Sparks fly. He jumps back, gasping, worried that he did something wrong.

ALPHA
Oh oh...what have I done!

Suddenly the viewing globe crackles to life and we see Jason, Zack and Kimberly as the rope falls off of them, and the electronic force is destroyed.

JASON (o.s.) XX
We're free!

ZORDON XX
Good work, Alpha. Now you must complete the weapon to help them stop that monster. First, contact Jason.

5122 (CONTINUED)

Angle on the viewing globe as Jason and the others move out of the ropes.

CUT TO:

5/23 EXT. PARK - DAY 5/23

The power teens throw off the ropes and answer the communicator beep. XX

JASON
We hear you, Zordon. What's going on? XX

ZORDON
Alpha dismantled the electronic force field. Now you must morph and help Trini and Billy! XX

JASON
Thanks, Alpha. Okay guys, let's give Rita one of our lessons! It's morphin time!

CUT TO:

5/24 INT. STANDARD MORPHING SEQUENCE - DAY 5/24

Morph sequence for Pink, Black and Red.

CUT TO:

5/25 EXT. JAPANESE FIGHT FOOTAGE - DAY 5/25

Jason, Zack and Kimberly arrive to help out the other Power Rangers. The Grumble Beast has been joined by several putty patrollers.

ZACK (o.s.)
Check out this group! What a bunch of losers!

JASON
But they're dangerous losers. Let's get 'em!

5125 (CONTINUED)

Jason goes into battle with the puttys first. (<SFX: Ki YA!, Hi YA!>) ** (Zack leaps and gets one putty in a neck lock. Two puttys grab Zack and try to twirl him around.

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ZACK
I'm not in the mood to fool around with you guys! Ki Ya!)

The puttys hold up some weapons and try to defeat Trini, who kicks them out of her way.

TRINI
This out to teach you to mess with us! ...Hi ya!

KIMBERLY
Let me give you a hand, Trini. Try this, mud putties! Hi ya!

The puttys disappear and the Power Rangers (except Billy) face off with the Grumble Bee.

JASON
End of lesson, Grumble Bee! You're finished!

MONSTER
Not so fast! Here's another test for you....Ha ha ha ha!

The Grumble Bee sends out ultrasonic waves, as well as shooting his stingers, causing all the Power Rangers to grab their ears and fall on the ground with sparks flying.

JASON
What's this!

ZACK
Whoa, this is loud!

TRINI
Hold your ears...

KIMBERLY
How much more can we take?

MONSTER
I've won...you fail! Ha ha ha ha! Your power is worthless!

** NOTE TO EDITORS - DELETE HEAD-LOCK FOOTAGE OF BLACK RANGER!

5125 (CONTINUED)

Billy sees his friends in trouble and runs into the scene.

BILLY
Jason! Are you okay?

CUT TO:

5/26 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 5/26

Alpha is by his controls, holding a special weapon.

ALPHA
I'm sending you some back-up, Billy. This should even up the score a bit!

The weapon in Alpha's hand suddenly teleports out of the scene. (via special effects)

(INSERT FOOTAGE IN THE VIEWING GLOBE OF BILLY ON A BLUE SCREEN RECEIVING THE WEAPON)

BILLY (o.s.)
Thanks, Alpha! You did your homework!

CUT TO:

5/27 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - DAY 5/27

Billy looks at the monster, and pulls up the special squirt-gun which Alpha created for him.

BILLY
Okay, Grumble Bee. Here's lesson number one!

Billy shoots the sticky stuff onto the wings of the monster bee.

BILLY
Power Rangers don't give up!

The formula sticks to the Grumble Bee's feathers, rendering him powerless to create the ultrasonic waves.

5127 (CONTINUED)

TRINI
Good job, Billy! The weapon has stopped it!

BILLY
Thank goodness!

TRINI
Are you okay now, Billy? That venom nearly melted your suit.

Billy rubs his nose and nods.

BILLY
Aside from an aversion to the smell, I'm fine.

JASON
Then, let's do it, Power Rangers!

Jason leaps at the Grumble Bee with his sword. The Power Rangers group together holding their weapons.

CUT TO:

51 28 INT. RITA'S PALACE - DAY 51 28

Rita is horrified!

RITA
Now he's small...but try fighting him when he's tall!

Rita throws her scepter towards earth and turns the Grumble Bee into a mega-sized beast.

CUT TO:

51 29 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - DAY 51 29

The Power Rangers gather together again.

JASON
We need dinozord power! Now!

5129 (CONTINUED)

INSERT ZORD SEQUENCE

JASON (o.s.)
Ready Megazord transformation. Power up!

ALL
We're on it! Locking in. On target!

The megazord does battle with the Grumble Bee. (WE CUT AWAY TO IMAGES OF THE POWER TEAM INSIDE THEIR COCKPITS.

JASON
I've had enough. It's time to finish off your monster for good, Rita. Ready mighty Power Sword!

The Power Sword comes down from the sky, and the Megazord grabs it, takes aim, and finally obliterates the vicious Grumble Bee.

CUT TO:

5130 INT. RITA'S PALACE - DAY 5130

I hate the Power Rangers! They give me such a headache!

Goldar moves to the helm, and stares out menacingly.

GOLDAR
We'll be back!

F.T.B.

THE END

EPILOGUE

FADE UP ON:

5131 INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY 5131

Kimberly and Trini are watching Jason and Zack spar when Tommy enters and slaps them both a high five. XX

5131 (CONTINUED)

KIMBERLY
Hi, Tommy. How'd your Karate match go?

TOMMY
Great. But, hey, I heard about what you guys did...man, I wish Zordon would've contacted me.

TRINI
You have to conserve your power, you know.

TOMMY
Yeah, I know...

Tommy looks sad, sulking.

KIMBERLY
Come on, Tommy. We know you're there for us.

Tommy looks at Kimberly and smiles at her.
ANGLE On doorway as Billy rushes in with a big smile on his face.

BILLY
Can you believe it? I made the Young Scientists club!

The power teens gather around him and pat him on the back, and give congratulations.

JASON
Good going, Billy. Your studying really paid off.

KIMBERLY
You worked hard for it, Billy. You deserve it.

BILLY
Thanks, guys.

ANGLE ON BULK AND SKULL sitting at a table, with books spread around. The power teens walk up to them, looking at them incredulously.

BULK
What're you staring at?