THE
MIGHTY MORPHIN
POWER RANGERS

# "TWO HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE"

Episode #52

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FEATURED MONSTER: The Two-headed Parrot

REGULAR CAST:

Tommy
Jason
Trini
Billy
Zack
Kimberly
Bulk
Skull
Ernie
Zordon
Alpha
Goldar

Japanese Regulars

JAPANESE CHARACTERS THAT NEED TO BE SHOT:

Two-Headed Parrot

GUEST CAST:

Mandy and Alice - Two middle-aged women who are taking Tommy and Jason self-defense class (must be able to do some karate stuff.)

EXTRAS:

People in the youth center
About eight middle-aged women for Tommy and Jason's women's self-defense class

OTHER:

A giant kiwi fruit prop to match the one in the Japanese footage

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Prologue

FADE IN:

5201 INT. YOUTH CENTER DAY 5201

PAN ACROSS the busy Youth Center. Stop on a sign that says: "WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE CLASS TODAY." Nearby, in the work-out area, TOMMY and JASON are team teaching the class. Tommy stalks up behind Jason, and grabs him from behind. Jason makes some moves to break Tommy's hold.

JASON
Stop! Help! Help!

He throws Tommy to the ground. The class, composed of about eight mainly middle-aged women, applaud. Jason helps Tommy up.

*JASON
*Be sure to yell as loud as you can to attract attention.

TOMMY
Any questions? - Probe

*One of the women, MANDY, raises her hand and jumps up and down eagerly. Jason points to her.

MANDY
I just wanted to say how nice it is of you boys to volunteer to teach us self-defense.

The class applauds again. Jason and Tommy look at each other.

TOMMY
Hey Anything for Angel Grove's moms. - Appreciate

JASON
Today's class is about teamwork. Teamwork can be one of your best weapons against an opponent.

TOMMY
Kimberly and Trini are going to help us show you what we mean. - for example

Tommy motions to KIMBERLY and TRINI who are standing nearby. They join Tommy and Jason at the front of the class.

5201 (CONTINUED)

**TEAM TECHNIQUES DEMONSTRATION: 15 seconds **

Tommy and Jason pretend to be attackers, and Trini and Kimberly demonstrate two or three good ways to work together to defeat them. After the demonstration is over, the women applaud. Kimberly and Trini help Jason and Tommy up.

TOMMY
Thanks. Appreciate

KIMBERLY
(She smiles)
Anytime.

Kimberly and Trini head to the juice bar. Jason looks out into the class.

*JASON
*Who want's to give it a try?

*Mandy jumps up and down excitedly. She grabs her friend ALICE's hand and pushes it up.

*MANDY
*Ooh! We will! We Will!

*Alice shoots her a look.

JASON
*Great. C'mon up here Mandy and Alice.

Mandy and Alice, two "mom" types, walk to the front of the class.

TOMMY
Just remember to be a team. - Remind

Jason pretends to attack them. Alice and Mandy just can't seem to get it right -- Alice falls on the ground as Jason grabs her.

ALICE
Ooof!

Mandy tries to help, but falls on top of Alice instead.

MANDY
Ahhh!

Tommy and Jason help them up.

5201 (CONTINUED)

ALICE
I can't do this.

MANDY
*Can we try again? Huh? Can we?

JASON
*Okay. You'll get the hang of it.

TOMMY
Yeah, just always remember, two heads are better than one.

CUT TO:

5202 RITA'S PALACE 5202

RITA watches the action at the Youth Center through her repulsascope.

RITA
I think that power brat may be right; two heads are better than one.

SQUATT and BABOO agree.

BABOO
Good thinking, oh wicked one.

SQUATT
Yeah, I wish I had two heads.

Rita stomps off to see FINNSTER.

RITA
Finnster!

FINNSTER
Oh, yes my queen.

RITA
Your monsters fail because they're too stupid.

FINNSTER
Yes, my queen.

RITA
So make me a monster that has two heads, so it'll be twice as smart as the others.

FINNSTER
Oh, I can make a two-headed parrot! It's teamwork makes it very dangerous and very smart.

RITA
*Okay. But don't mess up this time!

Finnster puts the clay model of the Two-headed parrot into the Monstermatic machine. POOF! The TWO-HEADED PARROT drops out of the other end!

End of Prologue

Act One

FADE IN:

5203 INT. YOUTH CENTER 5203

Tommy and Jason are dismissing the class.

JASON
Okay everybody, that's it for today.

TOMMY
Go home and practice and we'll see you all at tomorrow's class.

The class exits, excitedly talking about what they've learned. Tommy and Jason head over to the Juice Bar where Kimberly and Trini are sitting with BILLY and ZACK. ERNIE is working behind the bar, stacking up crates of assorted TROPICAL and EXOTIC FRUITS (mangos, papayas, pineapples, kiwi's, etc.).

KIMBERLY
Tommy, you've got to try this.

She sticks a shake under his nose. Zack hands a shake to Jason.

ZACK
Yeah, they're great.

Tommy and Jason try the shakes.

TOMMY
That's really good!

JASON
What is it?

BILLY
It's a mix of Ananas Cosmosus, Psidium fruit, Carica fruit...

Ernie stops stacking for a minute and leans over the bar.

ERNIE
They're my new exotic fruit shakes. A little pineapple, some guava, a little papaya.

He holds up a bunch of bananas.

ERNIE (CONT'D)
And a "bunch" of other stuff.

TRINI
Ernie ordered all kinds of exotic fruit so that he could make them.

Ernie starts stacking fruit crates again. BULK and SKULL enter the Youth Center in their version of work-out garb. Bulk spots Tommy and Jason motions to Skull, and they head off towards the Juice bar. They walk up to Jason and Tommy, who are enjoying their exotic fruit shakes.

BULK
Okay, karate geeks, we're ready for the self-defense class.

The Power teens look at each other quizzically.

JASON
Uh, you're too late. Class is already over.

TRINI
Beside, it's a <u>women's</u> self-defense class.

Bulk laughs. He leans in to Tommy and Jason, like he's sharing a macho moment with them.

BULK
We know that. We just wanna meet some babes.

Skull leans in to Kimberly.

SKULL
Yeah, like Kimberly.

Tommy steps between Skull and Kimberly and gives him a look. Skull shrinks away. Tommy turns to Bulk and Skull.

TOMMY
You guys should be in the class. - encourage

Jason looks at Tommy, surprised. Tommy WINKS. Jason smiles and nods slightly.

JASON
Yeah, we got some real babes.

Bulk and Skull get excited.

203 (CONTINUED)

BULK AND SKULL
*YES!

Tommy turns to Jason.

TOMMY
Which reminds me, partner, we've got to go figure out what we're teaching next time.

Tommy smiles at Kimberly.

TOMMY
We'll see you later.

KIMBERLY
Bye, Tommy.

Tommy and Jason exit. Bulk picks up a GIANT KIWI FRUIT (must match Japanese footage) that Ernie's left on the bar.

BULK
What's this?

ERNIE
*It's for my exotic fruit shakes.

Bulk sniffs it.

BULK
A nice fruity aroma.

He tosses it to Skull.

SKULL
Totally juicy.

Skull squeezes it, and it shoots juice all over Bulk's face. Bulk wipes his face off, grabs the giant kiwi from Skull, and sets it down on the bar.

BULK
C'mon, melon head!

They exit.

CUT TO:

5204 EXT. ANGEL GROVE PARK DAY 5204

Tommy and Jason are practicing some moves to teach to their self-defense class. They each practice some holds on each other, and ways to get out of them.

204 (CONTINUED)

JASON
That's good.

TOMMY
Okay, how about this? - Probe

CUT TO:

5205 INSERT - PARK, TOMMY AND JASON - RITA'S POV 5205

Rita watches them practice through her repulsascope.

CUT TO:

5206 RITA'S PALACE 5206

Rita looks up from the repulsascope.

RITA
I'll show them what teamwork is!
Two-headed parrot, attack!

CUT TO:

5207 EXT PARK 5207

As Tommy and Jason continue to practice, they're attacked by the FEATHER SHAPED DARTS of the Two-headed Parrot. Tommy spots them just in time.

TOMMY
Look out! - Warn

Tommy pulls Jason to the ground as the darts stick into a nearby tree.

JASON
What was that?

TOMMY
I think it was a message from one - I Reading
of Rita's monsters.

They look at each other.

JASON
It's morphin time!

**INSERT STANDARD MORPH SEQUENCE FOR TOMMY AND JASON **

CUT TO:

5208 EXT. PARK 5208

The morphed Tommy and Jason look around to see who, or what is attacking them.

TOMMY
Look! It's a big, scrawny bird!

JASON
And it has two heads. What do you want?

The Two-headed Parrot appears.

PARROT #1
I was watching your class. Now I want to show you...

PARROT #2
That two heads are better than one. Watch

PARROT #1
This!

The Parrot flies at them and attacks. It bounces off of a tree and attacks again.

JASON AND TOMMY
Ahhhh!

Then the Parrot fires more feather darts. It flies at Tommy and Jason and knocks them down. Parrot head #1 controls one half of his body, and Parrot head #2 controls the other.

PARROT #1
This is too easy!

PARROT #2
Yeah, what kinda team are they?

Tommy and Jason regroup and leap towards the bird.

PARROT #2
Oh no you don't!

The Parrot blasts them back with missiles fired from the lower head.

TOMMY AND JASON
Owwwww!

They fall to the ground. They get up as the Bird advances.

JASON
C'mon, we can take him.

TOMMY
We need the whole team.

JASON
No we don't!

TOMMY
Jason.

Tommy and Jason are forced to retreat.

PARROT #1 & #2
(Laughs)

CUT TO:

5209 INT. COMMAND CENTER 5209

ZORDON looks down at ALPHA.

ZORDON
Alpha, teleport all the rangers here at once.

Tommy, Jason, Kimberly, Billy, Zack, and Trini have TELEPORT (FX) into the Command Center.

ZORDON (CONT'D)
Jason and Tommy were just attacked in the park by Rita's latest monster. Look at the viewing globe.

Zordon brings up some generic footage of the Two-Headed Parrot.

JASON
It shoots feather-shaped darts.

TOMMY
Yeah, and missiles. -Disturbing

209 (CONTINUED)

ZORDON (OS)
The Two-headed Parrot is a dangerous opponent. It's two brains make it very intelligent.

The image on the viewing globe fades, and they turn back to Zordon when they're done.

KIMBERLY
I guess Rita's finally figured out how to use a little teamwork.

ZACK
That's one bad bird.

TRINI
How can we beat it?

BILLY
*Perhaps we could distract it with it's favorite food? Parrots love fruit.

ALPHA
The data on the Parrot shows that it likes the giant kiwi best.

Tommy has an idea.

TOMMY
Hey, *There's lots of fruit trees in the park. I'll go find one. - Leslie

ZORDON
*Good thinking, Tommy. But remember, your powers are limited.

TOMMY
Got it. - Reassure

ZORDON.
The rest of you should stay here and study Alpha's data on the two-headed parrot until he gets back.

JASON
Right.

CUT TO:

5210 EXT. PARK DAY 5210

Tommy teleports into the park (FX). VARIOUS SHOTS of Tommy as he looks for the giant kiwi fruit tree. He finds other fruit trees, but not the giant kiwi.

CUT TO:

5211 INT. COMMAND CENTER 5211

The Power Teens study the data on the Two-headed Parrot at one of Alpha's consoles. They're going through pages of computer printouts.

BILLY
Parrots are rather intelligent to begin with, so in doubling his cranial capacity, Rita has created...

a KLAXON rings.

ZORDON
*The Two-headed Parrot has appeared in the park again. Look at the viewing globes.

*The teens turn to the viewing globe. It shows footage of the Two-headed Parrot intercut with footage of the putties.

ALPHA
And the putties are with him!

*The teens turn back to Zordon.

*KIMBERLY
*They'll ambush Tommy!

TRINI
We've got to stop them.

JASON
It's morphin time!

**INSERT POWER RANGERS MORPH SEQUENCE (MINUS TOMMY)**

CUT TO:

5212 EXT. PARK 5212

The Power Rangers battle the putties in a terrific slow-motion fight. After all the putties are defeated, the Parrot flies in to deal with the Power Rangers.

CUT TO:

5213 EXT. PARK DAY 5213

Tommy is still searching for the giant Kiwi tree. He finally spots it. There are several giant kiwi's hanging on it.

TOMMY
*~~At last!~~ Finally A giant Kiwi Tree! enjoy

Tommy approaches the tree.

CUT TO:

5214 RITA'S PALACE 5214

Rita has been monitoring Tommy.

RITA
*Stop him!

*GOLDAR
*I'll send in the putties!

CUT TO:

5215 EXT PARK DAY 5215

As Tommy gets to the tree, and the PUTTIES appear (FX).

**PUTTY FIGHT: 10 SECONDS **

Tommy is badly outnumbered. What can he do?

End of Act One

Act Two

FADE IN:

5216 EXT. PARK 5216

Tommy contiues his battle with the putties.

**PUTTY FIGHT: 20 SECONDS **

CUT TO:

5217 INT. COMMAND CENTER 5217

Alpha and Zordon are watching the other Power Rangers on the viewing globe. The Parrot is beating them.

ALPHA
Ayiyiyiyi! That powerful parrot is a two-headed terror!

ZORDON
Alpha, contact Tommy right away.

CUT TO:

5218 EXT. PARK 5218

Tommy continues his lop-sided battle with the putties.

**PUTTY FIGHT: 15 SECONDS **

The Putties finally overwhelm Tommy. As a couple of them restrain him, the other putties pull all the giant kiwi fruit off of the tree. The putties let Tommy go and disappear (FX) with the fruit. His communicator BEEPS (SFX.)

ZORDON (VO)
The other Power Rangers are in trouble, Tommy.

-disbelieve

TOMMY
It gets even worse -- the putties stole all the giant kiwi fruit.

218 (CONTINUED)

ZORDON (VO)
*You must use your what's left of your powers to help your friends.

TOMMY
The only way we can defeat that bird is with the giant kiwi fruit.

Tommy thinks a moment. He talks into his communicator.

TOMMY (CONT'D)
Zordon, trust me, I've got an idea.

ZORDON
Hurry, Tommy, and may the power protect you.

Tommy runs off.

CUT TO:

5219 INT. YOUTH CENTER 5219

Tommy rushes into the Youth Center and goes over to the juice bar. Ernie is still stocking his exotic fruit.

ERNIE
Hey Tommy.

TOMMY
Ernie, I need you to do me a big favor.

ERNIE
Yeah?

TOMMY
Do you have any giant kiwi fruit?

ERNIE
I got one left for my exotic fruit shakes. Why?

Tommy thinks quickly, and makes up a story.

TOMMY
Well, see, I bought Kimberly this cute little parrot.

ERNIE
Aww, that's really romantic.

219 (CONTINUED)

TOMMY
Thanks. The vet said the best diet ~~for it~~ is giant kiwi fruit, and I can't find any.

ERNIE
They are hard to find...

Ernie reaches beneath the bar and grabs a giant kiwi fruit. He hands it to Tommy.

ERNIE (CONT'D)
Here. It's for a good cause.

TOMMY
I owe you one, Ernie.

Tommy exits.

CUT TO:

5220 EXT. PARK 5220

The Power Rangers continue to fight the Two-headed parrot, and they're not having much luck.

PARROT #1
What's the matter?

PARROT #2
You're teamwork isn't very good!

The Two-Headed Parrot fires it's darts and missiles. The Power Rangers are blasted back.

POWER RANGERS
Ahhh! OOOO!

ZACK
Gotta nail that bird brain.

The Parrot approaches them and taunts them.

PARROT #1
Time to finish them off...

PARROT #2
Yeah, we'll "peck" them off one-by-one.

Jason struggles to his feet.

JASON
Oh yeah?

He flies at the Parrot. The Parrot blasts him back, then goes over and stands on him.

JASON
Uhhh. Help!

PARROT #1
You're friends can't even get up!

PARROT #2
Yeah, crowing won't help you!

Tommy appears and knocks the parrot down.

TOMMY
Okay, big bird, which one of you gets this?

He tosses the giant Kiwi plant to the Parrot. The Two-Headed Parrot picks it up and begins fighting over who will eat it.

PARROT #1
Hey, that looks good!

PARROT #2
Giant kiwi, my favorite!

PARROT #1
I want it!

PARROT #2
It's mine!

The Parrot's two heads continue fighting over which one will eat the fruit. The Power Rangers gather around Tommy.

KIMBERLY
I knew you could do it.

TOMMY
You can thank Ernie for the fruit.

JASON
Thanks, Tommy.

TOMMY
We're a team!

The Parrot is still struggling with itself.

TOMMY (CONT'D)
Let's nail that bird brain!

OTHER POWER RANGERS
Yeah!

The Power Rangers pummel the parrot.

CUT TO:

5221 RITA'S PALACE 5221

Rita throws down her staff.

RITA
Make my monster grow!

CUT TO:

5222 EXT. PARK 5222

The Parrot becomes gigantic.

JASON
Call out the zords!

**INSERT STANDARD ZORD ARRIVAL SEQUENCE **

Tommy plays his dragon flute.

**INSERT STANDARD DRAGON ZORD ARRIVAL SEQUENCE **

The Power Rangers leap into their cockpits.

COMPUTER VOICE
Initiating megazord sequence

**INSERT MEGAZORD TRANSFORMATION **

The Power Rangers battle the giant Two-Headed Parrot. When he begins to get the better of them, Jason decides to form the ULTRAZORD.

JASON
Let's show this bird some
Ultrazord power!

**INSERT ULTRAZORD TRANSFORMATION **

JASON
Say bye bye, birdie.

They blow up the Two-Headed Parrot.

CUT TO:

522 3 RITA'S PALACE 522 3

Rita has lost again. She yells at her underlings.

RITA
They beat me again! You bunch of bird brains!

Squatt and Baboo try to apologize.

SQUATT
Two heads are never better than one.

BABOO
Yes, I'm glad I only have one brain to give to my evil queen.

GOLDAR scolds Finnster.

GOLDAR
You and your two-headed bird!

FINNSTER
It really had potential.

Rita storms off.

End of Act Two

Epilogue

FADE IN:

5224 INT. YOUTH CENTER DAY 5224

Tommy and Jason are teaching their next self-defense class. The women are practicing throws while Tommy and Jason watch and give them advice.

JASON
Remember, teamwork is the key.

Tommy pretends to attack Mandy.

MANDY
No! No! No!

She tosses Tommy to the mat, and then helps him up.

TOMMY
Excellent. Let's try it again.

Teaching Ingrane

PAN TO the Juice Bar. Trini, Zack, Billy, and Kimberly are having some exotic fruit shakes.

ZACK
Man, I could drink these things all day.

BILLY
It certainly is a delicious concoction.

The reporter comes on the TV to comment about the Power Ranger's most recent victory.

5224A INSERT TV REPORTER -- STOCK FOOTAGE 5224A

TV REPORTER (VO)
Once again, the superhero Power Rangers have defeated an evil Monster bent on destroying the world. Whoever you are Power Rangers, thanks.

Ernie comes up to Kimberly to give her a refill on her exotic fruit shake.

ERNIE
So, how did you like the parrot?

The Power Teens exchange glances.

KIMBERLY
*The parrot?

ERNIE
Yeah. Tommy said he was being a finicky eater.

*Ernie takes out another giant kiwi fruit and hands it to her. Kimberly looks at Trini.

*KIMBERLY
*He did?

ERNIE (CONT'D)
Here. Give him another one of these.

KIMBERLY
Thanks?

Bulk and Skull walk into the Youth Center, spot the self-defense class, and head over to it. Zack sees them crossing the Youth Center. He taps Trini.

ZACK
Hey, check it out.

Bulk and Skull walk up to Tommy and Jason and look around at the class.

BULK
Eh, where are all the babes?

SKULL
Yeah, these are just a bunch of moms!

REACTION SHOT - Alice and Mandy. The remarks really raise their hackles.

JASON
Okay I think it's time for some practice. Bulk, Skull, you guys want to be the attackers?

Bulk and Skull look at each other and smile.

BULK AND SKULL
Sure.

BULK
Don't worry, ladies, we won't be too rough.

5224 (CONTINUED)

TOMMY
Any volunteers?

Mandy and Alice raise their hands and step to the front of the class.

**ATTACK DEFENSE: 10 SECONDS **

Alice and Mandy really have their act together. Bulk and Skull try to several different attacks, but Mandy and Alice really have their teamwork down. Each time they defeat Bulk and Skull they shout "NO! NO! NO!." As Bulk and Skull make one last gallant rush, Alice flips Bulk, and Mandy flips Skull. Tommy and Jason look on with approval.

TOMMY
We taught 'em how to do it!

JASON
I knew we could, partner!

They turn and high five each other. Alice and Mandy help the exhausted Bulk and Skull up off of the mat. They stand together wearily, holding each other up.

ALICE
Always remember, boys...

ALICE AND MANDY
Two "moms" are better than one.

Tommy, Jason, and the class all laugh as Bulk and Skull fall back into an exhausted heap on the mat.

The End