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MIRROR OF REGRET

FADE UP: PROLOGUE

9300 EXT. ESTABLISHING SHOT - YOUTH CENTER 9300

9301 INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY 9301

PAN TO Adam and Rocky as they execute a series of perfect roundhouse kicks for their young, co-ed karate class. (ages ten - thirteen). The kids applaud.

ADAM

You'll learn those at the end of the course. Now let's start with the basic katas.

The kids go into the first move. (<SFX: KI YA!> Sean, a (ten year-old) who is small for his age tries to do it, but messes up, and gets in the way of an older kid.

BUTCH

Hey, watch it, small-fry!

Sean tries it again but trips, and falls into the guy again. The other kids laugh.

BUTCH

Give it up, shrimp. You'll never get it right. Go back to the first grade where you belong!

Sean glares at the bigger kid.

SEAN

Quit saying that!

Adam steps between them.

ADAM

Hey...lighten up. That's not the way we handle things around here.

BUTCH

But one loser like him on our team and we won't stand a chance at the junior karate finals.

9301 Cont.

ROCKY

With an attitude like that, you
won't have a team.

The kids shrug, grumpily.

ADAM

That's it for now.

ROCKY

Practice up for our next class.

The kids file out of youth center. Sean hangs his head,
and lags behind the others. Rocky goes to juice bar.

ADAM

Don't let their teasing get you
down, Sean. I know how you
feel...the same thing happened
to me when I was young. It's a
real drag.

SEAN

Yeah, I know. But they're
probably right. I'm not very
good....I'll just hold the team
back.

ADAM

Don't give up so fast, Sean. I
was the weakest kid in
my class once, but I didn't
stay that way. All you need is
some practice. When you
believe in yourself, the other
guys will too.

SEAN

You think so?

Adam puts arm around Sean.

ADAM

Yeah, I do.

9302 EXT. ESTABLISHING SHOT - ZEDD'S PALACE

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9303 INT. ZEDD'S PALACE - DAY

9303

Zedd's xray vision has shown him the scene. He goes to
his chair and drums his fingers on the sides, thinking.

LORD ZEDD

Well, well...Black Ranger has a
soft spot. His memory of
childhood ridicule!

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9303 Cont.

GOLDAR

Yes, master! You can use his
gentle nature to destroy him!

LORD ZEDD

Of course, you bumbling fool!
I've already thought of that.
I'll show him his past in order
to destroy his future as a
Power Ranger!

On Zedd's evil laugh, we FADE OUT.

End of Prologue

FADE UP ON: ACT ONE

9304 INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY

9304

The youth center is nearly deserted, except for Adam and Sean, Aisha and Rocky. Adam and Sean are practicing high kicks. Rocky and Aisha watch from the juice bar.

AISHA

EYOW! Lookin' good, Sean.

ROCKY

You're getting it, buddy. Keep it up.

Sean looks more determined, and tries another kick, but falters.

ADAM

Use your "inner" strength, Sean. Confidence in yourself is the most important part of this.

SEAN

If you say so...

Sean starts to go into the move when the doors to the youth center fly open.

ANGLE on door as Bulk and Skull enter wearing karate ghee's. Skull is holding a karate how-to booklet. They stomp over to the mats near Adam and Sean and start warming up.

AISHA

What're you doing, guys?

9304 Cont.

BULK

That should be obvious. We're working on our karate skills.

SKULL

Yeah. We gotta be well trained so we can catch up to the Power Rangers...that way we'll find out who they really are!

ANGLE - Adam, Aisha and Rocky give each other a look, and shake their heads.

AISHA

(to Adam)

We're meeting Kimberly and the guys at the basketball court for a game, Adam. Want to join us?

ADAM

Maybe later...I'm gonna show Sean a couple more moves first.

ROCKY

Okay - keep up the good work, Sean.

Aisha and Rocky exit.

ANGLE - Bulk and Skull start jumping into strange made-up karate stances.

BULK

You can take some pointers from us, kid. We're pretty good at this.

Skull does an incomplete round-house kick and accidentally kicks Bulk in the butt.

SKULL

Hi HO!

Bulk glares at him, tries it himself, and falls down on the matt.

BULK

It's "Ki YAI", noodlehead!

Skull helps Bulk up.

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Adam smiles, shakes his head and leads Sean off the mat.

ADAM

I think we need a little more space Sean. Let's hit the park.

Adam leads Sean out.

9305 INT. ZEDD'S PALACE - DAY

9305

Zedd paces in his Palace.

ZEDD

The mirror of regret will be the perfect tool to shatter Black Ranger's confidence!

GOLDAR

Yes, master. You are right, as always. Er, what's the mirror of regret?

ZEDD

Something that will show him memories of less confident days, you empty-headed gold-coated wolf! Must I explain everything?

GOLDAR

Yes, highness...sorry...forgive my stupidity!

9306 EXT. PARK - DAY

9306

Adam and Sean are in the park.

ADAM

When I was a kid, I was always getting teased about being small.

SEAN

You were?

9306 Cont.

ADAM

But a teacher got me interested in Karate, and it really made a difference. It didn't make me taller -- that happened as I got older. But, it changed how I felt about myself. It gave me confidence that I could succeed at things. That's really important.

Sean nods his head.

SEAN

Okay. I'm ready, Adam. Let's do it.

Montage of Adam and Sean practicing karate katas. Sean is slow to learn at first, but by the end of the montage, he's got it.

DISSOLVE TO:

9306A INT. | COMMAND CENTER - DAY

9306A

Alpha is working with large pipes, and pieces of metal and plastic as Zordon observes.

ALPHA

I can't wait to finish the power cannon, Zordon! The Rangers will be so surprised!

ZORDON

Indeed they will, Alpha.

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9308 EXT. | PARK - DAY

9308

Adam watches as Sean finishes a move. Sean looks at his watch.

9308 Cont.

SEAN

I hate to stop, Adam, but I still have some homework.

ADAM

Okay, buddy. Just remember what we talked about. Believe in yourself. You're doing fine.

They high five. Sean puts on his protective gear, gets on his skateboard and zips down the sidewalk as we
DISSOLVE TO:

9309 INT. ZEDD'S PALACE - DAY

9309

Zedd rises from his throne and points his claws at Goldar.

ZEDD

Now is our chance! Show Adam the mirror of regret!

GOLDAR

Yes, evil one! It shall be done!

9310 EXT. PARK - DAY

9310

Adam is picking up his sports bag when Goldar and the putties appear on the scene.

GOLDAR

Prepare to meet your doom,
Black Ranger!

ADAM

No chance, Goldar. You can't defeat me and you know it!

Adam goes into a 30 second putty fight, dismantling several putties.

GOLDAR

Oh yeah? Just watch me!

Ha quickly creates a foggy mist which surrounds them.

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9312 EXT. PARK - DAY

9312

The mist parts, and Goldar holds up a mirror in front of Adam.

GOLDAR

Look familiar, Black Ranger?

Adam looks at his reflection, and snarls at Goldar.

ADAM

What are you up to, Goldar!
I'm not in the mood for your
foolishness!

GOLDAR

Ah...you're confident now, but
not for long! Behold the
truth!

Once again, Adam looks at the reflection and sees himself as a little boy, smaller than everyone else, being left off of a basketball team.

ADAM

Old memories can't hurt me,
Goldar.

Adam tries to resist looking at the reflection, but he can't. He rushes Goldar, but the putties grab him. The mirror glows (SFX), and causes him to lose his concentration.

GOLDAR

It is happening! You are
becoming the weakling you once
were, Black Ranger!

ADAM

No! You can't do that!

The image on the magic mirror is overwhelming Adam.

9313 INT. CORNER OF EXISTING SET

9313

A young Adam stands meekly by while two other tall bully-type kids are holding a volleyball.

YOUNG ADAM

Can I play?

BULLY

We don't want you on our team,
pipsqueak!

9314 EXT. PARK - CONTINUOUS

9314

Adam reacts - suddenly he feels insecure, it shows on his face.

GOLDAR

You see? It's happening
already! Ha ha ha ha!

On Adam's fearful face we DISSOLVE TO:

9315 INT. ZEDD'S PALACE - DAY

9315

Zedd gloats as he watches the scene.

ZEDD

Soon the Black Ranger will be
reduced to a eniveling,
whimpering child. Now it's
time to deal with the others.
Let me see...an appropriate
creature...one that laughs at
its victims...

SFX - Zedd's xray vision looks down to earth.

9316 INT. YOUTH CENTER

9316

On Sean, seated at a table, studying an open book.
ANGLE ON Sean's open school-book, picture of laughing hyena.

ANGLE - Bulk and Skull are going through their kata practice in slow motion - they're very tired. They drag themselves to the juice bar and plop down. Ernie gives them a fruit drink, then heads over to Sean.

ERNIE

Hey, Sean. Why don't you show
me some of those moves Adam
taught you!

9316 Cont.

Sean leaves the table with the book open.

SEAN

Okay.

Sean goes over to the mat and starts doing his katas. Ernie watches, smiling. Bulk and Skull look at each other, amazed at the kid's progress.

BULK

Come on, Skull. Maybe we need to practice in "more space!"
It worked for him!

Bulk and Skull exit.

9317 INT. ZEDD'S PALACE

9317

Zedd's vision locks onto Sean's book.

ZEDD

That's it! A laughing hyena...with a few changes this vicious animal will be perfect!

9318 INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY

9318

ANGLE ON BOOK - SFX of red haze surrounding the book; it disappears.

9319 INT. ZEDD'S PALACE

9319

ZEDD

You shall be called Skelereena, and I command you to destroy the Power Rangers!

9320 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - DAY

9320

SKELEREENA appears in the park, growling. (She's female and laughs a Joan Rivers laugh).

SKELEREENA

You don't need to order me around, Zedd! It'll be my pleasure!

On skelereena's laugh we.

FADE OUT.

END OF ACT ONE

FADE UP ON: ACT TWO

9321 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - CONTINUOUS

9321

Skelereena is standing tall, menacing looking. (NOTE:
The voice of Skelereena is a very snide, comedic,
boastful type.)

SKELEREENA

Get ready, Rangers! I need to
do something nasty to make my
day!

Skelereena POV as it rushes through trees in the park.

9322 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY

9322

Alpha is fiddling with the weapon.

ALPHA

The new weapon is almost
completed, Zordon. I can't
wait to give it to the Rangers!

ZORDON

It is quite impressive Alpha.

Sirens go off, and Alpha stands at alert.

ALPHA

Ayi yi yi! Zedd's sent a
creature to Angel Grove!

ZORDON

Yes but that is not all, Alpha.
I sense that one of the Rangers
is in trouble.

The viewing globe lights up with the image of Adam in
the dimension of regret.

ZORDON

Zedd is trying to destroy
Adam's confidence.

ALPHA

Oh dear...this is a disaster!
What can we do!

ZORDON

We must alert the Power
Rangers, Alpha. Immediately!

Dissolve To: **

9322 Cont.

Alpha pushes a button on the command console.

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9324 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY 9324
Rocky, Kimberly, Billy, Tommy and Aisha
(dressed in sports gear) teleport in from different
angles of the command center, and gather around Zordon.
They look around...don't see Adam. *

TOMMY
What's going on, Zordon?

Billy
Where's Adam? **

ZORDON
Zedd is using a spell with the
Mirror of Regret to undermine
his self-confidence.

INSERT next scene INTO VIEWING GLOBE

9325 EXT. PARK - DAY 9325
Goldar laughs.

GOLDAR
Your resistance is almost gone,
power punk! Soon you won't
have the energy to be a Power
Ranger!

ADAM
No! This...can't be happening!

9325 Cont.

Adam falls to his knees, reaching out towards the mirror.

9326 INT. COMMAND CENTER - CONTINUOUS

9326

KIMBERLY

Oh my gosh. We gotta get him back!

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ZORDON

I'm afraid you won't be able to help him, Rangers. Adam must recover his confidence on his own. It's the only way Zedd's spell can be broken.

The Rangers look at each other, worried.

ZORDON

But, we have another concern. Zedd's attack on our world continues. He's created a monster that laughs at its victims, just as Goldar is laughing at Adam.

The teens turn to look into the viewing globe to see
INSERT FOOTAGE OF SKELEREENA.

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AISHA

Check it out! It's terrorizing innocent people in Angel Grove Park!

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TOMMY

Guys, it's morphing time!

9327 INT. STANDARD MORPHING SEQUENCE - DAY

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White, Red, Blue, Yellow and Pink morphing sequence

9328 EXT. PARK - DAY

9328

The Five Rangers appear in the park, and charge towards the rampaging Skelereena. They encounter putties and a fight ensues. INTERCUT WITH JAPANESE FOOTAGE OF SKELEREENA.

9329 EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE - DAY

9329

Skelereena footage, INTERCUT with fighting footage of
Power Rangers and putties, (without Black).

SKELEREENA

You wimps couldn't stop an army
of ants!

TOMMY

You're all talk, Skelereena!

9329 Cont.

SKELERBENA

Now feel my bite, Power
Rangers!

Fight sequence with Rangers and monster. It's a
difficult fight. They can't defeat the monster.

ROCKY

I hope Adam's doing okay...we
could sure use his help about
now!

9330 INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY

9330

Alpha turns from the viewing globe, waving his arms.

ALPHA

They can't do it with Adam,
Zordon. They need more help.

ZORDON

Is the weapon ready, Alpha?

ALPHA

Yes, Zordon. Just finished!

ZORDON

It is time to give them their
new, powerful weapon, Alpha.
Prepare the Power Canon!

ALPHA

Right away, Zordon!

Alpha scurries over to the controls and fiddles with
buttons.

9331 EXT. PARK - DAY

9331

Adam is nearly helpless with self-doubt.

GOLDAR

This image should shatter your
confidence for good! Your
young protege is just like you!
No confidence at all! Ha ha ha
ha!

(NOTE;) INSERT FOOTAGE into the mirror of Sean doing
great Katas in the gym.

ANGLE - ADAM sees it.

9331 Cont.

So does Goldar, and he stops laughing.

GOLDAR

Huh? How'd that scene get there!

Adam snaps out of the weakness.

ADAM

You've had it, Goldar. I'm not falling for this anymore! Sean does have confidence. He'll be fine...just like me! I'm strong enough on the inside to handle all your mocking.

Adam heads towards Goldar, who shrinks away from him.

GOLDAR

Huh? Wait! You're supposed to grow weaker!

ADAM

Find a hole and hide, Goldar, cause I'm back!

Adam goes into a series of excellent karate moves, throwing off the putties in his way.

GOLDAR

NO!

Suddenly the fuzzy, SFX of the mirror's spell dissolves, and Goldar and the putties disappear.

Adam's communicator suddenly goes off.

ADAM

I'm here, Zordon.

ZORDON (v.o.)

Well done, Black Ranger! Now you must hurry. Your friends are in trouble at the other end of the park! You'll need extra power to defeat the monster. Be ready to accept a new weapon!

ADAM

I'll be ready, Zordon. It's morphin time!

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9333 INT. STANDARD MORPHING SEQUENCE

9333

Sequence for Black Ranger.

9334 EXT. PARK - DAY

9334

Adam arrives at the park. The other Rangers are in the midst of a battle with Skelereena. (INTERCUT JAPANESE FOOTAGE WITH AMERICAN) Tommy flips over to Adam.

TOMMY

I knew you'd make it, buddy.
We really need you. This
Skelereena is tough!

ADAM

Zordon's prepared a new weapon
for us.

Suddenly there is a shimmering effect, and the Power
Canon appears in their arms, with Adam taking the lead.

BILLY

It's quite
extraordinary!

KIMBERLY

This is way cool! Perfect
timing, too!

ADAM

Okay, guys! Let's put this
monster out of business!

The power cannon assembly is initiated, and the Rangers
use the cannon to destroy the Skelereena monster in a
blast of sparks.

ADAM

Looks like we got the last
laugh, Zedd! Doesn't feel so
good, does it!

The Rangers high five.

9335 INT. ZEDD'S PALACE - DAY

9335

Zedd is furious with Goldar.

9335 Cont.

ZEDD

You miserable excuse for a
soldier! Letting these measly
earthlings get the best of me!
Get out of my sight before I
turn you into a toad!

Zedd points his claws and sends bolts of lightning at
his minions who run for cover.

ZEDD

I'll get you for this,
Rangers...wait and see!

END OF ACT TWO

FADE UP: EPILOGUE

9336 INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY

9336

Tommy, Rocky + Adam enter the youth center to see Sean
giving a Karate demonstration to the rest of the class.
The class is watching him in awe as he goes through his
katas perfectly. **

BUTCH

That's awesome, man. You're
good! How'd you learn it so
fast?

SEAN

Just practiced...

BUTCH

Sorry we gave you such a hard
time. I'd be on a team with
you any day! **

SEAN

Thanks guys.

Sean high fives the kids. The three power teens walk over to
him. **

TOMMY

Nice work, Sean. It looks like
your practice paid off.

SEAN

Adam's the greatest.

Compliment

9336 Cont.

ROCKY

You found the confidence inside
yourself, Sean. And size doesn't
have anything to do with it!

Adam looks at his friends, who nod knowingly.

ADAM

Yeah...that's right.

Adam & Sean high five.

SEAN

Adam. Thanks.

On the doorway as Bulk and Skull enter and pompously
stomp over to the mat.

BULK

Now we're ready to keep up with
the Power Rangers!

The two circle each other, making strange noises and
funny leaps. They finally both rush into a round-house
leap, knocking each other down. We hear SFX of birds
flying over their heads.

BULK

Ugh...!

SKULL

Did we miss something?

All laugh, and help pick up the guys.

SEAN

Don't give up, guys. Practice
makes perfect, you know.

Bulk looks at Skull

BULK

There's gotta be an easier way!

Bulk and Skull shuffle out, the others laugh as we,

FADE OUT.