

POWER RANGERS LEGEND UNTOLD

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Part II: Rise of Cirko

At the command post, the rangers are still contemplating how to go about rescuing Kimberly from the clutches of Lord Cirko. Billy and Aisha are working on improving an improvised antenna so that it can send a message into space. Meanwhile, Alpha and Trini continue to search for coordinates for the planet Triforia, the home of the Gold Ranger.

"Alpha, I think I've found something. I found an old transmission coming from Trey. It's too damanged to play, but we should be able to get Triforia's coordinates from it."

"Good work, Trini. Let me start running an analysis on the file." Alpha replies as he walks up behind Trini to take over on the terminal.

"Billy, are you guys having any luck with that antenna?" Jason asks.

"Well, it looks like it will work, but we won't know till we try."

"Yeah, that's how it was when Alpha and I used it before. It worked then, so maybe it will work now." replies Aisha.

"Billy, I've found the coordinates." says Alpha.

"Okay, let's see if we can reconnect this thing and give it a clear view of the sky. Aisha, I'm going to carry it out in the open. This is the longest cable we have so try to connect it to the terminal."

Billy carefully carries the antenna out into the open away from the command post, as Aisha attempts to make the connection under the terminal. After Billy gets it set, he taps his communicator.

"Alpha, the antenna is ready. Send the message." says Billy into his communicator.

"Aisha, are you finished?" Alpha asks.

"I think so, go ahead and try to send it."

Alpha presses a few buttons on the terminal

"It should be sending." says Alpha.

"Now lets just hope that Trey receives it." Tommy says.

Back where Billy is standing with the antenna, several putty patrollers form behind him. He quickly goes for his communicator again.

"Guys, we have trouble. Putties have me surrounded."

"Billy get out of there!" Jason yells.

"Did the message send??" Billy yells

"Yes, Billy. It should have sent by now!" Alpha screams.

Just as Billy makes his run back to the command post, the putty patrollers smash the make shift antenna, but they still follow Billy.

"I think they're following me, get ready guys!" Billy yells as he re-enters the command post.

"Ok, guys, it's morphin' time!" Jason yells.

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"Mastodon!" morphs Zach.
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Just as they all finish morphing, the putty patrollers find their way into the command post. They're immediately met by the rangers.

"Ay yi yi yi yi!!!" Alpha screams as he runs out of harms way.

Trini, Billy, and Tanya take on a group of putties as Trini spin kicks one tripping him up and then hitting him square in the face. Billy nails a side kick, and then ducks another only to uppercut him sending him flipping over onto a third putty. Tanya does a split causing two putties to crash into each other and then jabs them each in the gut.

Jason, Zach, and Rocky have another group and take turns kicking one after another as they circle the group. They each do a round house at the same time, causing the group to fall into each other and knock heads and fall to the ground. They each then turn around and flip another putty onto the first group causing a massive dog pile of putties.

Tommy, Kat, and Adam are taking on a third group. Kat cartwheels by two putties, punching the nearest one as she gets to her feet, and then as the second one takes a step closer he gets kicked in the face, and the first one thrown on top of him. Tommy and Adam fight back to back and each take one down with a stiff front kick, and then trade places to take a second down with a back kick. Tommy signals for Kat to come their way and she runs towards them, as Tommy and Adam each bend down for her to spring off their backs and take out four putties with a flying kick causing the group to fall over as onto each other.

Alpha runs right into two putties and they start pulling on his arms, but Aisha comes from behind and breaks their grip on Alpha, and then kicks them into a box of junk. Aisha then takes Alpha by the hand and makes him follow her. She stops to take care of a few more putties, knocking them into more debris.

"Aisha, don't let them get near the Zeo Crystal!" Tommy yells

Aisha nods in acknowledgement as she nails one putty in the side of the head with her fist, and then back kicks another coming from behind.

"Ay yi yi! Aisha, watch out!" Alpha yells as three putties jump off a nearby crate. Aisha turns and quickly grabs a metal poll lying on a pile of junk and slings it at them hitting all three putties.

"Come on, Alpha we have to guard the Zeo Crystal." Aisha says as she takes Alpha's hand again and makes one last dash towards the Zeo Crystal. Aisha manages to stand in front of metal pedestal holding the Zeo Crystal, as Alpha cowers behind it. Two putties come at her at once, she nails the first one, but the second one hits her from behind knocking her onto a smashed crate full of debris. The same putty grabs a large shard of the crate and swings it toward Aisha, but she reaches next to her and holds up some sort of small metal box to block the shard. She then kicks the putty in the gut and smashes the box in his face. She looks over to Alpha, and sees two more putties coming his way!

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[&]quot;Tyrannosaurus!" morphs Jason.

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[&]quot;Zeo Ranger Three - Blue!" morphs Rocky.

[&]quot;Zeo Ranger Four - Green!" morphs Adam.

[&]quot;Zeo Ranger Five – Red!" morphs Tommy.

"Alpha, watch out!" she yells, but just as Alpha turns around the putties shove him right into the Zeo Crystal's pedestal sending the Zeo Crystal tumbling over, Aisha dives for it and it lands right on top of her and sends out a wave of energy. The energy wave takes an immediate effect on the putties. Billy and Trini quickly come to Alpha's aid and nail the now inferior putties down with stereo kicks.

After each ranger quickly handles their current putties, the others quickly retreat knowing that they are now defenseless. Aisha is still down and seemingly out cold, but glowing with an unusual aura around her. The metal box she had been holding next to her, with it's handle in her hand.

"Alpha, is she okay? Did the Zeo Crystal hurt her?" Tanya asks as everyone starts to regroup and demorph.

"I will not know till I process her vital signs."

"The Zeo Crystal itself seems unharmed." Billy says has he puts it back in it's pedestal.

"Hey what's that weird box she's holding?" Zach asks.

"I don't know, but it's glowing too!" Rocky says.

"Let me see it." Jason asks, as Adam bends down to pick it up and hand it to him. Jason takes the box, which appears rather beat up, and breaks the rather flimsy looking lock open. Inside, laying on a green felted interior, is the Dragon Coin. Tommy's eyes get wide as he and the others notice that the coin itself has the same aura around it that the box and Aisha have around them.

"Is that really what I think it is?" Tommy asks.

"It's definitely the Dragon Coin." Jason replies, "Alpha, did you know this was here?"

"I knew that the coin was never destroyed, but I honestly have no memories in my data banks about its whereabouts. They must have been over-written." Alpha replies.

"So what does this mean?" Kat asks

"We will have a better idea, after I finish this bio-scan on Aisha." Alpha replies as he waves a small device over Aisha's body. "It appears, Aisha has absorbed some of the energy released by the Zeo Crystal. I'm uncertain what effect it may have on her."

"So does that mean the Dragon Coin has energy now too?" Trini asks.

"Affirmative. The energy must have transferred through Aisha to the box she was using against the putties. The Dragon Coin then received the energy from the box itself." Billy responds.

"Exactly, Billy!" says Alpha.

Tommy reaches for the Dragon Coin. He holds it in his hand for a second.

"I know how we can save Kimberly."

"What are you thinking?" Rocky asks.

"I'll let Cirko capture me too."

"Tommy that's insane!" Zach replies

"I agree, you won't be able to morph." Adam adds.

"Yeah, he'll take your zeonizer just as took Kim's morpher, Tommy." says Kat.

"It doesn't matter if he does. He's only seen me as Zeo Ranger Five. He doesn't know I have this." Tommy says as he holds up the Dragon Coin."

"I don't know, Tommy. We have no idea how stable the Dragon Coin is right now." says Billy.

"I won't need it for very long. Just long enough to use the Dragon Dagger."

"Use it for what?" Tanya asks.

"If I summon the Dragonzord, it can lead you guys to wherever Cirko is holding us."

"What if he doesn't even put you in the same place he has Kimberly?" Zach adds.

"Yeah, this could be all for nothing, Tommy." says Trini.

"It's a chance I'm willing to take."

"I agree. We've gotta try something." says Jason, "We can lure Lord Cirko and his goons out into the open, and Tommy can surrender himself to him. Then we can retreat and wait for the Dragonzord."

"We shouldn't go in a large group. Cirko knows we're here, and he knows we have the Zeo Crystal." Rocky adds.

"Then Adam and I will go with Tommy, while the rest of you stay back in case something else happens." Jason replies.

"Are you ready?" Tommy asks looking at Adam and Jason.

"Let's do it." Adam responds.

"Alright," says Tommy as he slides the Dragon Coin into his pocket, "It's Morphin Time!"

"Tyrannosaurus!" morphs Jason.

"Zeo Ranger Four - Green!" morphs Adam.

"Zeo Ranger Five – Red!" morphs Tommy.

Tommy, Jason, and Adam teleport to the area where Kimberly was last seen. They cautiously walk around, anticipating an attack.

"Hey Cirko!" Tommy yells, "Here we are! Why don't you come out and show us what you've really got!"

The rangers look all around the flat desert like area, all while staying close to one another and ready to defend themselves.

"I don't think they even know we're here." says Adam.

In just a few short seconds later a strange shape appears in front of them as Lord Cirko and about 15 putty patrollers take shape before them.

"Think again! Let's go!" Jason yells.

The three rangers immediately engage the putty patrollers in battle. Tommy nails a round house and then ducks a wild clothesline and then lunges at anther taking him down with a shoulder block. Jason hits several kicks in a row, and then whips out his blade blaster as a blade and starts slicing and dicing, as traces of goo sling everywhere. Adam ducks some wild swings, and then spins around to kick one putty then slings both of his fist backwards to back hand two coming from behind. He turns around levels them with a double clothesline.

"You multi-colored crusaders don't stand a chance. You have no idea who you're messing with!" Lord Cirko yells.

"Neither do you!" Jason yells, as he changes his blade blaster to laser mode and sends several blasts Cirko's way. Cirko gooey exterior seemingly absorbs the blasts, and Cirko raises his hands and shoots out a lightning like blast from his fingertips sending Jason to the ground screaming in pain. Adam attempts to pull out his Zeo Laser Pistol, but before he can even remove it from his holster, Cirko blasts him as well!

"Hey! Try messing with me!" Tommy yells, as he charges Cirko with his Zeo Power Sword drawn. He catches Cirko by surprise, but each time he manages to connect, Cirko seemingly feels nothing. Cirko bats Tommy away, and attempts to blast him, but Tommy rolls out of the way. He again engages him with his sword, but Cirko suddenly becomes quicker and sidesteps so quickly, he's practically going in circles around Tommy. Tommy seems disoriented by this, and as he turns around Cirko catches him with a blast from his fingertips. Jason and Adam are back to their feet and take a run at Cirko with a few putties pursuing them, Cirko goes to blast them, and they each roll to the side to avoid the blast, but the putties take the full brunt of it, but don't fall apart. They get back up as the smoke from the blast emanates from their bodies.

"You are all fools to challenge me. You've guaranteed yourselves the unfortunate privilege of being the first victims in my legendary conquest of this pathetic universe!" Lord Cirko screams with his arms held high as he manically laughs at the fallen rangers.

Just as Cirko appeared to be aiming another blast at Adam and Jason, Tommy jumps on his back and holds his Zeo Power Sword around Cirko's neck. Cirko begins waving his arms about, trying to get a grasp on Tommy. Tommy wiggles around all while holding his sword around Cirko's neck. Cirko, spins around and flips Tommy over his shoulders and plants him on the ground in front of him. He then walks around him and puts one foot in the center of his chest and puts most of his weight on him.

"So you think you have what it takes to kill me? Your worthless weapons are no match for my power!" screams Lord Cirko as he presses his foot harder on Tommy's chest. Tommy groans in pain.

Jason gets to his feet

"Adam, are you okay?" Jason asks.

"Yeah, you?"

"I'll be alright. As soon as we know Cirko is taking him we teleport over behind those boulders near the mountain. Got it?" Jason says just loud enough for Adam to hear him. Adam nods to indicate that he understands.

Cirko with his foot still planted on Tommy turns his attention to Jason who is now standing up.

"Want some more, Red Ranger?" Cirko says, but Tommy manages to get a foot up and kicks him in the groin area, Cirko practically unaffected turns his attention back to Tommy immediately. He bends down and grabs him by the throat and holds him up off the ground.

Jason whips out his blade blaster in laser mode once more and attempts to blast Cirko again. Cirko absorbs all of the blast and laughs at the attempt.

"For your efforts, Red Ranger, I shall spare you the sight of your comrades destruction. For in time, you will meet your own!" Cirko screams as he begins to shapeshift and vanish with Tommy still in his grasp.

"Okay, Adam let's get out of here!" Jason yells as they each teleport to the nearby boulders.

"Do you think this is going to work?" Adam asks.

"I sure hope so." Jason says as he sits on a large rock nearby.

In the darkness of Lord Cirko's remote location, Tommy stands bound to an unknown object and blindfolded.

"Please let this work..." Tommy thinks to himself

Several footsteps can be heard on the rock or stone-like floor. Several torches are suddenly lit as Lord Cirko enters the room with several putty patrollers in tow.

"Remove his blindfold," orders Lord Cirko.

A putty uses his slime dripping hand to pull the blind fold over Tommy's forehead and remove it.

"So... is this what you expected Red Ranger? Is this the accommodations you had in mind when you surrendered yourself to me?"

"Not exactly how I pictured it."

"Well this is all you will see, all you will get..."

"Well, I just thought a super villain such as yourself would have better facilities. I mean, Rita and Zedd at least had their own dimension," Tommy interrupts.

"Silence! How do you know where you are? You don't know anything! Lord Zedd and Rita Repulsa were fools. This is all you will get until you give me what I want!"

"Oh yeah? What might that be?"

Lord Cirko paces around Tommy as he waves out the putty patrollers. As the last one exits the room, Cirko stands right in front of Tommy looking him square in the eye.

"Your services..." Lord Cirko says quietly.

"...what?"

"Use your powers for me. Destroy your allies, and help me conquer this pathetic planet!"

"Are you insane? I would never do that!"

"What choice do you really have? Your friends cannot save you."

"Is that what you really think?"

"It's what I know. I already know the location of your puny command post. With it's lack of security it will be easy destroying it yet again. Then when your friends have no way of tracking you, do you really expect them to find you?"

"Spoken like a confident man, but I warn you, Cirko, your confidence will be your downfall."

"Perhaps... but your ignorance will be yours!

"Be careful who you call ignorant... We're the guys that put away Rita and Zedd, which if the legend is true, are the same duo who put you away!"

"Oh so you think you're smart, do you Red Ranger? Well, if what I know about you is true, you've been put under more spells than any other ranger combined! You may be the

longest serving Power Ranger, but you've also been the most destructive for the forces of Evil! Isn't that right... Tommy?"

Lord Cirko locks his eyes with Tommy's as he looks shocked to hear Cirko say his name.

"How do you know my name?"

"Oh it's not what I know, but how much I know!"

Lord Cirko laughs to himself as the look of concern comes over Tommy's face.

"I will give you some time to think about your choice. Maybe then you will make the intelligent one," Lord Criko says to Tommy while turning away and walking out the same tunnel entrance in which he came. Tommy then lowers his head in disbelief.

Back at the command post, the remaining Rangers attempt to make a plan to lure Vetana out of hiding.

"What if we just morph and call her out?" asks Zack

"How would we know if we're far enough away from where ever Lord Cirko is hiding?" asks Trini.

"Yeah, if she finds out Jason and Adam are trying to infiltrate his location she'll retreat and we'll be back at square one," says Kat.

Just then, Aisha, who was laying on a make-shift table begins to stir. She sits up holding he head."

"What happened to me?" she asks.

"Aisha, you absorbed some raw energy from the Zeo Crystal when you saved during a battle with the putty patrollers. How are you feeling?" asks Alpha.

"I'm not sure. I feel weird."

"We're not exactly sure what effect the Zeo Crystal's energy had on you yet. You should try to relax," suggests Alpha.

"Guys, we might have a problem," says Billy who is standing over one of the computer terminal.

"What is it, Billy?" asks Rocky.

"Look at the Viewing Globe," Billy says after he hits a few buttons on the terminal.

The Rangers gather around the Viewing Globe to see images of Vetana and several putty patrollers marching through the area surrounding the command post.

"They're not far away," says Tanya.

"We got to act now!" says Zack.

"I agree. We have to try to hold them off. Alpha, anything from Trey?" asks Billy.

"Not yet. I will keep checking. Go ahead Rangers," says Alpha.

"Yeah, go on. I'll help Alpha and try to keep them out if they get closer," says Aisha has she gets off the make-shift table."

"Alright, let's do this, guys. It's morphin' time!" exclaims Rocky.

"Mastodon!" morphs Zack.

"Triceratops!" morphs Billy.

"Saber Tooth Tiger!" morphs Trini.

"Zeo Ranger One – Pink!" morphs Kat.

"Zeo Ranger Two – Yellow!" morphs Tanya.

"Zeo Ranger Three – Blue!" morphs Rocky.

The Rangers teleport to where Vetana and her army of putties are currently in order to cut them off.

"There they are! Go Get them! Attack!" Vetana screams as she orders the putties to go before her.

Zack, Billy, and Rocky start taking on a troup of putties. Rocky levels several with some quick kicks. Zack dodges two as they charge him one after the other, and then takes out a third with a quick jab to the face. Billy trips up his first, then blocks a punch from another and flips him over onto the first.

Kat and Tanya have their Zeo Laser Pistols drawn, and Trini has her blade blaster. They stand with their backs together and each blast the nearest putty. They rotate around and then take another blast.

Vetana begins to grow frustrated as the Rangers seem to have a slight upper hand. Meanwhile, the six Rangers are now standing closer together and have the high ground against the putties.

"Guys, let's try to lure them away from our command post," Zach suggests.

"Good idea, let's act like we're retreating," Billy adds.

The Rangers then take off running from the putties. Vetana notices the sudden change from offence to defense. She turns to a large group of putties that remained behind her.

"Listen up! You're going to continue searching for their command post. Lord Cirko insists that it is around here somewhere. I'll hunt down those six Rangers with the rest of these putties. Understand?"

The putties do as Vetana asks as she follows after the Rangers with the initial brigade of putty patrollers, while the second group continues hunting down their base.

As Vetana catches up to the putty patrollers and sees the Rangers running she summons her sword and uses it to send several blasts. She doesn't connect with the Rangers, but rather the landscape causing rock slides. The Rangers do their best to keep moving forward, drawing Vetana further away from their command post, but she and her putties are catching up to them.

Back at the command post, Alpha and Aisha are both monitoring different terminals and pressing several different buttons.

"Ay yi yi! The Rangers are drawing Vetana away from us, but they're taking on heavy fire power. Have you found where Jason and Adam are stationed?"

"Not yet, the scanner is still tracking their communicators."

"If we only had more power we could scan multiple places simultaneously!"

Suddenly a loud beeping noise from one of the other terminals starts going off. Aisha runs over to it and a she frantically begins pressing keys.

"Aisha, what is the matter?"

"Alpha, putties just crossed over a temporary perimeter Billy set up. That means we don't have long before they get in here."

"Ay yi yi! What are we going to do? You can't fend them all off. They will destroy everything!"

"How much on board memory do you currently have? Can you download all the data we currently have generated from these computers?"

"Yes, yes I can! Help me get plugged into the main terminal."

Aisha walks over to Alpha as he stands with his back facing the terminal. Aisha crawls under the terminal to pull out a rather old looking cable. She opens a flap on Alpha's back and plugs the cable into a port.

"All set, Alpha. How long will it take?"

"Not long. Commencing data transfer."

Several lights on Alpha's body begin blinking frantically. Aisha goes over to the terminal where the alarm is going off. She looks over her shoulder at Alpha, and then back at the terminal.

"Alpha, you've got to hurry!"

Just then, putties begin storming the command post. Aisha picks up a piece of debris and throws is at one.

"Ay yi yi yi yi yi!"

"Are you finished?"

"Transfer complete. System overload! System overload!"

Sparks start flying around alpha's neck as he apparently shuts down. Aisha, runs over to the Zeo Crystal and grabs it. She then tucks it under her arm, almost like a football, and begins to make her way back over to Alpha who his standing motionless while shoving intruding putties out of the way. The putties begin beating and banging on the computers as sparks begin to fly. Aisha gets to Alpha and puts her head under Alpha's limp arm and presses her communicator to teleport. The putties look confused, but continue their massacre of the Ranger's resources.

As Vetana continues her attacks on the other Rangers she receives a telepathic message from Lord Cirko.

"Vetana, the putties have found and begun despossing of their head quarters, but I sense that a human and their mechanized ally escaped via teleportation."

"I see, Lord Cirko. What would you have me do about it?"

"Find them, and destroy them! We can't allow them any advantage. Le the putties have their way with the city the Rangers once called home. I have a feeling they may have retreated there for safety."

"I will bring in more from the worm hole, sire."

"Excellent. Now take care of the rest!"

"As you wish."

Vetana then raises her free hand to open another worm hole. As she does, several new groups of putties teleport through. Once through, she uses her magic to teleport them to the streets of Angel Grove, where they immediately start pillaging the city and harassing its citizens.

At the entrance to the Youth Center we see Aisha arrive via teleportation with a limp Alpha, and the Zeo Crystal. She looks down the street to see the putty patrollers. She looks and sees the employees only entrance and drags Alpha with one arm and the Zeo Crystal under her other arm, through the door. Once inside she sees Bulk and Skull arguing.

"Skull, I told you, that is not how you make a wedding cake."

"Bulk, yes it is! It looks just like the picture you gave me!"

"I didn't give you a picture! I gave you directions from a web site that just so happened to have a picture of a different cake on it!"

"Oh, so what part is wrong?"

"Well unless they're very into Halloween I don't think they want it to look like a pumpkin!"

Aisha lays Alpha on the floor so that he is out of sight and then reveals herself to Bulk and Skull.

"Guys, I really need your help."

"Aisha, how did you get back there?" asks Bulk

"Yeah, you must be sneaky. What's that you're holding?"

"It doesn't matter, just listen. You guys remember Lord Zedd and Rita Repulsa, right?"

"Are you kidding? Those creeps are legendary. Of course, we remember!"

"Yeah, Bulky and I are lucky to be alive."

"Okay, well there's someone worse than them, and he has an army of putty patrollers out there. You've got to tell everyone in this building to shelter in place. Do you have a basement?"

"Yeah, yeah of course. I just had a guy finish it for me just for this sort of thing. Skull, go out there and tell everyone this is not a drill!"

"You got it, Bulk!"

Skull runs out of the kitchen to alert everyone. Lots of commotion is heard as people either comply with the instructions or begin panicking. Aisha runs over and locks the employee entrance door for which she entered.

"Bulk, come help me with this," asks Aisha as she walks over to Alpha lying on the floor.

"Wait a second! I've seen that robot before. He, he, wait, you, he, you? Does that mean you're a..."

"Was... I was a Power Ranger."

"What do you mean was?"

"I mean I don't have the power any more. That's why I need your help!"

"Okay, okay, what do you want me to do?"

"Help me out, and carry him."

Bulk carries Alpha out of the kitchen and out to the juice bar counter, while Aisha keeps the Zeo Crystal close to her. Skull greets them there.

"Everyone either went to the basement or left," says Skull.

"Good job, Skull," says Aisha.

"Hey is that..."

"A robot, yes, Skull, it is," says Bulk

"Is it..."

"The same robot we remember from high school, yes it is," says Bulk

"Then does that mean..."

"That Aisha is a Power Ranger, yes... and no," says Bulk

"Now what does that mean?"

"I don't have the power any more, Skull."

 $\mbox{``I asked the same thing, Skull. It might sound crazy but she and the robot need our help!"$

"Ok, well I'm in," says Skull

"Great, let's make sure all the doors are locked," says Aisha.

"I can get these ones over he-," Skull is cut off in mid sentence as several putties barge through two double doors and plow over him.

Aisha runs over to him and starts fighting off the putties. Skull gets to his feet.

"Skull, take this and help Bulk protect Alpha!" Aisha shouts as she hands Skull the Zeo Crystal.

"Alpha?"

"The Robot, Skull!" yells Bulk.

"Oh, right!"

Skull runs over to the juice bar with the Zeo Crystal and leaps over the counter. He crouches down with Bulk, peering over the counter with Alpha laying in between them.

Aisha delivers several kicks to the putties, but when she goes for close range punches, she gets blocked every time. The putties start ganging up on her, and keep shoving and tossing her to the ground.

Suddenly Aisha starts to glow with a yellow aura around her.

"Aisha, you're glowing!" yells Bulk

"I know! I don't know what's going on!"

Just then the main lights in Alpha's disc shaped head all turn on.

"Bulk, the robot guy is turning on," says Skull.

"I guess that's a good sign."

Alpha starts jittery moving his limbs to Bulk and Skull's concern.

"Maybe we should help him up, Bullk."

"Good idea, give me a hand," replies Bulk as he grabs one side of Alpha's body while Skull gets the other. Once to his feet, Alpha sees Aisha in trouble.

"Ai-sh-sh-sh-yi-yi-ya-ya-ya!" Alpha says through a scrambled vocal chip.

"Hey, do you know why she's glowing?" asks Bulk

"Ninja power?" asks Skull as Alpha frantically nods.

"Aisha must have some of her power back!" exclaims Bulk.

"Hey Aisha do you have Ninja Powers?" Skull yells across the gym.

Aisha quickly turns to see Alpha shaking while Bulk and Skull try to hold him up.

"What!?" Aisha yells back.

"He said Ninja Power! He saw you glowing!" Bulk yells back.

Aisha turns back to the putties with a smirk on her face.

"Ok, clay brains, let's see if you like this," Aisha holds her arms out pulls them up and then pulls her hands together one on top of the other with her index fingers and thumbs extended.

"Ninja Ranger Power!" Aisha exclaims as yellow energy then surrounds her body draping her in her yellow ninja gi.

Aisha then engages the putties once again, only this time she able to hold her own. She delivers a few quick kicks and strikes, then uses her ninja power to quickly shift to another group of putties deliver a similar attack, and then shift again. This causes mass confusion amongst the putties as they don't understand how she is seemingly moving at the speed of light from group to group.

With the majority of the putties unaware of where she is, this allows Aisha to gain more of an advantage by taking out some unsuspecting putties. They don't disappear or give up as easy as normal putties, but the chaos her ninja powers have caused as given her some leverage against them.

The other Rangers seem to be losing steam in their attempt to lure Vetana and a squadron of putty patrollers away from their command post. They are also not aware that Alpha and Aisha had to fee to escape more putty patrollers. While avoiding Vetana's endless energy blasts, and the rock slides she's causing, the Rangers appear to be experiencing exhaustion.

"Guys, I'm not sure I can go any further!" Kat yells as she comes to a stop.

Billy runs up to her and puts his head under her arm to support her.

"You've got to keep moving, Kat!"

"Billy watch out!" yells Zack

Billy and Kat duck and fall face first on the ground as one of Vetana's blasts nearly decapitated the two of them.

"Are you guys alright?" asks Trini

"I'm fine. You alright Kat?"

"I think so."

"We can't keep running like this forever," says Rocky

"He's right," Tanya adds.

"Yeah, well it looks like we're screwed either way. We're in no shape to fight her right now. She beat us up pretty good the last time. But the more we run, the less effective we're gonna be when she catches us!" says Zack.

"So what do you want us to do, Zack?" asks Tanya.

"If I'm going out, I'm going out fighting," says Zack

"Count me in!" says Rocky.

"Billy, can you and Trini watch Kat?" asks Zack

"Yeah, we'll lay back and cover you guys."

"Okay, let's see if that psycho lizard lady is ready to play!" says Zack

Zack, Rocky and Tanya run out into the open and draw fire from Vetana. Rocky and Tanya draw their Zeo Laser Pistols and Zack summons his Power Ax and fires its handle canon. Vetana doesn't seem faced, and sends a larger blast their way knocking all three down. She then teleports directly to them and whips Tanya's helmet with her forearm, and then kicks Rocky in the knee before jabbing him in the throat with the handle of her sword. Zack hits her from behind close range with his canon and it sends her face first into the sand. He then runs up and goes to use the Ax on her back, but she rolls over too quickly and kicks him in the gut with both feet. This causes Zack to drop the Power Ax and Vetana gets to both feet and grabs Zack by the throat with both hands and picks him up off the ground. Rocky grabs Zack's Power Ax and Tanya picks up Vetana's sword and they both throw them at her back and cause her to drop Zack and fall right on top of his stomack. Zack quickly

squeezes his legs around her torso and as a legs scissors and then starts punching her on either side of the head. This doesn't stop her from getting to her feet, Zack still wrapped around her, and throwing him off of her. Just then Rocky and Tanya once again hit her from behind, only this time with stereo round house kicks. After face planting the sand once again, Vetana quickly gets to her feet and starts taking the fight to Rocky. Tanya tries to interject herself, but is shoved away by an energy blast. Vetana uses her magic to return her sword to her hand, and right before she tries to slash Rocky in two, Zack attacks from behind with the blade of his blade blaster. Vetana takes the shot, but turns around to continue the dual with Zack. After several clanks of their blades, Vetana kicks Zack in the shin causing him to fall to the ground. Vetana laughs as she holds her sword above her head ready to impale the Black Ranger with it.

Billy, Kat, and Trini see what just happened and pull out their blade blasters and zeo laser pistol and direct their fire at Vetana's back. This stops her from stabbing Zack, and allows him to knock her down with a chop block to the back of the knee as she turns to see who is firing on her. Billy, Kat, and Trini hold their fire as Zack tries to mount her from behind. He wraps his legs around her torso and with cups his left arm under her chin and around her neck and then takes his right arm and uses it to cover her eyes.

"This is our chance. Aim directly for her abdomen!" instructs Billy

Billy, Kat, and Trini once again open fire on Vetana, aiming for her abdomen as Billy commanded. With Zack neutralizing her, the blasts seem to cause the most damage to Vetana as anything the Rangers have tried thus far. Zack lets go of her as she begins to fall to the ground. He then starts stomping on her while she's down.

"Where is Lord Cirko?" Where is he holding Kimberly! Answer me you scaly pile of space trash!" Zack screams

"You will never find your friend, just as you will never defeat me!" Vetana manages to yell back to Zack as she lets out an evil laugh.

"I don't think you get it lizard lips. You're the one on the ground losing to us!" "Oh am I, Black Ranger?"

Vetana extends her hand and her fingers extend like serpents and wrap around Zack tightly. She gets to her feet, as Billy, Kat, and Trini open fire again. She uses her other hand to send a huge blast their way with such velocity upon impact it causes them to fly back and hit the rocks behind them.

Rocky and Tanya each try an attack but before they get within striking distance, Vetana uses her energy to knock them away. She then uses her hand which has Zack tied up to lift him into the air and squeeze him even more. To make matters worse she electrifies the slithering appendages, increasing the torture he endures.

Just then an blast from an unknown source strikes Vetana's tentacle fingers and slices right through them. For the first time ever she screams in what sounds like pain. Zack falls to the ground, obviously hurting. Vetana looks around at all the fallen Rangers, none of whom are at their feet. Then a gold beam appears before her as the Gold Ranger takes shape with the Gold Power Staff in hand.

"So another foolish Ranger to destroy," says Vetana as she re-summons her sword.

"The only fool I see is you!" retorts Trey

"Oh so wrong, you shall suffer like your friends!"

"And you'll just find out that you picked the wrong planet to mess with!"

Vetana charges Trey, and he ducks a swipe of her sword and then holds out his Power Staff to block another swing. Trey uses the Gold Power Staff like a sword, till finally he side steps a swing and kicks Vetana down, as she gets to her feet he extends the staff and points it directly at her releasing three blasts of energy knocking her back several feet.

Billy, Kat, Trini, Tanya, and Rocky all run up and stand alongside Trey with their various weapons drawn. Zack slowly gets to his feet too, Rocky hands him his Power Ax. When Vetana gets up she sees the 7 Rangers lined up with their weapons drawn.

"This is far from over fleshlings! That is a promise!"

"Quick! Fire before she retreats!" exclaims Zack

Each Ranger fires their weapons but Vetana vanishes in a puff of smoke before the blasts even reach her.

"Crap! I knew she was gonna do that!" Zack yells in frustration.

"Are you okay? You were in a tough spot when I arrived," says Trey

"Yeah, yeah, I'll be okay just roughed up a bit. You must be Trey, I'm Zack."

"It's a pleasure to meet you."

"I'm Trini. You were amazing Trey. I'm so glad you could make it."

"I came as soon as I received your distress signal. Not much came through, what exactly is going on?"

"It's a long story," says Rocky.

"Yeah, we can brief you more when we're not out in the open. Let me try to contact Aisha and Alpha," says Billy as he reaches for his communicator. "Alpha, do you read me? Alpha?"

"Why isn't he answering?" asks Kat

"I don't know," says Billy.

"Try Aisha," suggests Tanya.

"Aisha, do you copy?"

"Billy, I read you – we've got trouble!" Aisha exclaims through Billy's communicator.

"What's wrong?"

"Alpha and I evacuated the command post. We're at the youth center. Bulk and Skull are trying to protect the Zeo Crystal and Alpha. He seems to be malfunctioning!"

"Hold on, back up is on the way!" says Billy into his communicator. "Okay guys we have to help Aisha. I don't think she can last much longer."

"What are we going to do about Bulk and Skull?" asks Rocky

"We'll figure it out when we get there, the important thing is we get there, and fast!" exclaims Zack

"Right, get ready to teleport," says Billy.

Everyone nods in approval and teleports together.

The Rangers arrive at the youth center to find the place practically filled with putty patrollers, and Aisha doing her best to avoid them than fight them. Bulk and Skull are hiding under the juice bar with Alpha 5.

The Rangers immediately begin attacking the putties.

"Try to get them out of the youth center. We're not going to be able to defeat this many!" Billy yells to the others.

"Try to get them all on the side with the doors, I'll use the energy from the Gold Power Staff to blast them through it!" yells Trey.

Rocky and Zack each block shots from putties and then throw them over towards the entrance. Kat, Tanya, and Trini do the same. Billy kicks two towards the door and then shoves a third. Aisha, while glowing again, uses her Ninja Power to make a few putties chase her towards the door. After each Ranger kicks, punches, or throws another putty towards the entrance, Trey uses the Gold Power Staff and blasts them out the door. Rocky and Billy each slam the doors shut, as Zack jams the handles with a piece of a broken chair.

"I'm so glad you guys made it," Aisha says with the obvious signs of exhaustion in her voice.

"How did you manage to morph?" asks Rocky

"And why are you glowing?" asks Kat

"I don't know – but I feel really weird," says Aisha.

"It's probably a side effect of her touching the Zeo Crystal. You should probably demorph right now."

Aisha dimorphs causing her yellow ninja gi to vanish.

"Is it safe to come out?" Bulk yells from under the juice bar counter.

"Yes, Bulk!" Aisha yells back to him.

Bulk and Skull each get up then bend down and pull up Alpha whose limps are still jittery.

"Pow-pow-pow-er Rane-ge-ge-ge-ge-ge-ers!"

"What happened to him?" asks Tanya.

"Before the putties got into the command post I had Alpha download all of our data into his internal memory. He then overloaded and shut down. When he finally rebooted he was like that."

"Yeah, he just started shaking and speaking all gibberish like," says Skull.

"So, uh, if you don't mind me asking... what are you guys going to do now?" asks Bulk.

"That's a good question," says Rocky

"Well we can't stay here, that's for sure," says Zack.

"We can go to Pyramidas. I left it in orbit around the Earth until I knew more about the situation."

"That's a good idea. Lord Cirko and Vetana won't be looking for us in space."

"Wha-wha-what about us?" asks Bulk.

"Yeah what about us!" repeats Skull.

"What do you mean?" asks Kat

"Well we did help save the robot dude and this thing," says Skull holding up the Zeo Crystal.

"And if those alien things know you guys came here they're probably going to come back. We're in danger here!" says Bulk

"You guys can come too," says Trini

"Are you sure?" asks Zack

"They did help us, and for all we know Lord Cirko will go after anyone who may try to help us. We owe them protection," Trini explains.

"Trey, do you mind them staying in Pyramidas?" Billy asks.

"Of course not, if they behave themselves."

"Oh, oh, we'll be good. Promise!" says Bulk.

"Pinky promise even!" says Skull as he extends his Pinky.

"That's quite alright," says Trey, "is everyone ready?" As they all nod, they then teleport out of the youth center.

Back inside Lord Cirko's dimly lit holding space. Tommy is trying to loosen the ropes tied around him just enough to release his left arm. A lot of foot steps can be heard off in the distance. Tommy nearly has his arm free but quickly pulls it back within the ropes so he still appears bound. Lord Cirko with a hand-full of putties marches into the chamber.

"Well Red Ranger, your friends have caused quite the ruckus."

"You expected them to do otherwise?" snaps Tommy.

"It does not matter what I expect, Tommy, it matters what I want! Due to the little mishap your friends caused, I have decided to shorten your time to decide your fate."

"Oh, that's great, because a time limit is really going to help me change my mind."

"I predicted your reaction, and that is why I also decided that your fate would not be the only one in the balance!"

Lord Cirko claps his hands and two putties march into the chamber, one carrying a burlap sack and the other carrying a pedestal. The putty carrying the pedestal sets it up a good distance from Tommy, but close enough for him to see. The putty carrying the burlap sack reaches inside to pull out Tommy's zeonizer and lays it on top of the pedestal.

"What kind of game are you really playing, Cirko?"

"Just wait..."

The putty holding the burlap sack reaches in once again and this time pulls out Kimberly's morpher and places it next to Tommy's zeonizer on top of the pedestal. Tommy's eyes get big as he tries not to look shocked.

"Surprised, Tommy? I told you that your fate would not be the only one at stake!" Lord Cirko holds out his arms as a ray of light comes from his hands and causes a oddly shaped figure of light to appear just a few feet from Tommy, and an equal distance from the pedestal. The figure begins to take shape as Lord Cirko uses his magic to make a bound Kimberly appear in the same predicament as Tommy. Kimberly's makeup is running, obviously from crying, and she looks shocked to see Tommy bound next to Lord Cirko.

"I believe you two know one another," Lord Cirko laughs as the two trapped Rangers look at each other with emotional stares full of shock, "Here is the deal. One of you will serve me... and one of you will die!" Lord Cirko laughs once again.

"You don't want to kill one of us. Use us both!" Tommy yells.

"Oh, but I do. The death of a fellow Ranger will show your friends that I am very serious, and will ensure me that you'll never be at maximum power! Your strength comes from your numbers. You don't think I realize that? Whichever one of you pledges your alleageance to me first will be given your morphing device back. If neither of you decide to join me," Lord Cirko holds out his hand once again to form a circle underneath Tommy and

Kimberly. It forms a bit beneath them. The posts in which they are tied only stand on a small circular piece of ground, then it drops off to a pit 50 feet below, filled with hideous creatures. "Then you both shall perish at the hands of my flesh eating pets. Your time is short. When I return, I expect a decision." Lord Cirko turns and walks out of the chamber. Several of the putty patrollers stay, mocking the predicament that Tommy and Kimberly find themselves in.

Tommy and Kimberly each watch Lord Cirko leave and then stare at one another. Neither speaks for several moments.

"Kim, I..."

"Why are you here," Kimberly interrupts.

"I'm here to rescue you."

"You do realize you were captured, right?"

"Yes, it's all part of a plan."

"Some plan," says Kimberly as she rolls her eyes.

"Kimberly, I'm sorry..."

"Sorry for what? Sending me right into Cirko's trap? Not being grateful for when I saved you from getting mobbed by putties? Or did I miss something else you did?"

"Everything."

Both Rangers once again stay quiet for a few moments, almost unsure what to say.

"You're going to accept Cirko's offer," says Kimberly while fighting back tears.

"No, Kim, I would never do that."

"No, you have to. I insist that you do it."

"No, you don't understand."

"I understand perfectly fine, Tommy. If one of us is going to survive, it better be you. You'll eventually have a chance to escape, or a chance to betray Cirko. We all know that you're more valuable to the team than I am. You're their leader. They need you!"

"No, I need YOU! I need..." Tommy hesitates, "I... I need to know what is going on between us."

"What do you mean?"

"You know what I mean. Back at the Command Center wreckage, there was a moment. A moment that brought out all this bitterness that sent you and me tumbling downhill."

"Tommy, people say things. Don't sacrifice yourself over something dumb that came out of my mouth."

"No... it wasn't dumb. It opened my eyes, especially after you were gone. It made me realize how I really feel."

Kimberly, shocked and with her eyes watering hesitates before answering.

"Then how do you feel?"

"I feel... I feel like I still love you. I feel like you were the best thing that ever happened to me. No other person has ever made me feel that way, and even though I felt horrible after you broke up with me, as soon as I saw your face again, I didn't feel that way anymore."

"What about Katherine?"

"There was a short period of time when I thought Katherine and I had something, but it didn't seem to click. We make much better friends, I promise. She may be a Pink Ranger, but she never filled your shoes in my life."

"Tommy... I'm so sorry I said those things."

"It's okay. We make mistakes, and all is forgiven. I just... I just need to know how you feel. I need to know that you love me too."

"I always have," Kimberly says through her tears.

There is another brief moment of silence after this emotional moment.

"Well, after we get out of here I promise you the biggest hug you've ever had."

"What are you talking about? In case you haven't noticed we're still bound, and Lord Cirko intends to kill us both if one of us doesn't side with him, remember?"

"Well I don't think our gooey purple friend expected me to have this," says Tommy as he now has his left arm loose and reaches into his pocket to pull out the Dragon Coin.

"Tommy, where did you find it? Does it even have power?"

"We're going to find out."

"What about all these putties?"

Tommy looks down at all the mutant monsters in the pit beneath them.

"Be carefull!"

"I will. As soon as I'm loose, I'll free you. I need you to get your morpher and my zeonizer. Jason and Adam will be waiting for us somewhere."

"Okay... so I guess you did have a plan."

"Yeah, let's just hope it all comes together," Tommy says as he squeezes the Dragon Coin in his hand, "Dragonzord Power!"

As Tommy says the command, he is overtaken by green energy and morphs into the Green Ranger. Kimberly smiles as Tommy reaches for the Dragon Dagger and uses it to free himself from the ropes that bound him to the stake. He then leaps across the pit to Kimberly's stake and cuts her ropes. He then scoops Kimberly up in his arms and leaps over to the pedestal.

They are immediately met by putties, and Tommy draws his Dragon Dagger and starts fighting them off, knocking several into the pit of monsters. Tommy quickly pulls the Dagger up to his mouth and plays the song to summon Dragonzord. Kimberly runs over to the pedestal, but two putties stop her and pull her away. She tries to fight them off, but they're too much for her.

"Tommy help!"

Tommy turns after playing the song a second time.

"I'm coming!" Tommy yells as he runs right at the putties and causes them to let Kimberly go, Tommy fights off one and tosses him into the pit. The other tries to get Tommy from behind, but Kimberly shoves him from behind causing him to trip and fall into the pit.

"Quick, get your morpher!" Tommy yells to Kimberly as he fights off several more putty patrollers.

Kimberly manages to get to the pedestal, she quickly puts Tommy's zeonizer around her wrists, and then grabs her morpher.

"Pterodactyl!" moprhs Kimberly.

Kimberly now draws her blade blaster and starts using the blade to slice and dice through several putties just as Tommy is doing with his Dragon Dagger. They manage to keep outsmarting the putties and tossing more and more into the pit of monsters. As Kimberly takes her blade blaster and uses it as a pistol to shoot several putties charging them, Tommy plays the Dragon Dagger again attempting to summon the dormant Dragonzord.

Jason and Adam are still in hiding along part of Angel Grove's mountainous rock formations.

"How long do you think it's been?" asks Adam

"I don't know, but I'm starting to get a little impatient," says Jason.

"We can't take action until we know where they are."

"I know... I just feel helpless waiting."

"Let's try to check in with the others."

"Good idea," says Jason as he holds his wrist up to his helmet and presses his communicator, "Alpha, this is Jason, we need a status report."

There is no response, Jason looks over at Adam before pressing his communicator again.

"Billy, do you copy? This is Jason."

"Jason, I read you, go ahead."

"We're still out by the rock formations. No signs of the Dragonzord. Please tell me you guys have had better luck."

"Well... Yes and no. Vetana sent it putties to raid our command post, but Trey made it to earth so we have taken shelter inside Pyramidas, which is orbiting the Earth."

"Are Alpha and Aisha okay? Alpha didn't respond."

"Aisha managed to download all the data we collected onto Alpha's internal memory, but the transfer caused some of his circuits to overload. I'm working on him now. We may have more data than we thought. It seems some of the information we were unable to access due to the terminals being in a less than efficient state was also transferred. Trey is going to help us try to access it using the computers on board Pyramidas."

"Well that's some good news I guess. Can you try to do a scan for Tommy or Kimberly's communicator's again? Tell me something, anything.

"I can try, give me a minute."

Iason lowers his wrist as he waits for Billy to run the scans.

"Well, at least Trey made it."

"Yeah, and Pyramidas is a much safer place for everyone to be. Lord Cirko and Vetana won't be looking for it."

"Especially in orbit."

Jason's communicator chime goes off, as he holds it up to his helmet once again.

"Go ahead, Billy"

"No trace of Tommy or Kimberly, but we picked up something else. I believe it's the Dragonzord emerging from the sea. Do you have a view of the ocean?"

"No, but we can get to the top of this mountain and we will. Thanks, Billy."

"Let's get to it," says Adam as they start making their way up the rock formations that make up the side of the mountain.

"Adam, if we go this way we might be able to get a view of the ocean without going all the way up," says Jason as he points towards a flattened out area of rock that almost swirls up the mountain.

The two Rangers run along the edges of the mountain being careful not to draw attention to themselves and not to fall. As they make the turn around the mountain they can see the ocean. Sure enough the Dragonzord is in the distance making its way around the coast.

"There it is," says Jason.

"Should we wait to see which direction it goes?"

"It appears to be stopping, like it's waiting for instructions."

"Tommy?"

Jason presses his communicator again.

"Billy, we've spotted the Dragonzord. Scan all the nearby areas for anything suspicious."

"I'm on it," says Billy.

"Maybe we should teleport down to the shore. We can take cover around those rocks at the base of those formations over there," Adam says as he points to the formation.

"Good idea."

Both Rangers quickly teleport down to the other formation and now stand on rock and sand that makes up the coastal shore. The Dragonzord is now even closer, splashing his way through the surf. Jason's communicator chime goes off again.

"Yeah, Billy, go ahead."

"We detected some sort of hologram in the area. Trey thinks Cirko and Vetana are using their magic to hide the entrance to wherever they're holding the others. It's probably acting as a cloaking device. We know Vetana has some control over space and time. She probably has used the hologram to make it look sealed or nonexistent."

"So are we anywhere near it?"

"Yeah, you're not far at all. Search around for something like a cave, tunnel, or mine entrance. Or what should be an entrance."

"Will this hologram keep us from entering?"

"Most likely not, but once you enter, there's a good chance Cirko will know, so take caution."

"Alright, keep monitoring Dragonzord."

Back inside Cirko's holding chamber, Kimberly and Tommy continue to fight off the putty patrollers. The majority of them have been tricked or tossed into the monster's pit. Kimberly is still using her blade blaster, and Tommy the Dragon Dagger. Every so often, Tommy attempts to play the Dagger again, but keeps stopping to fight off more putties. The ones that are left are getting more violent and less senseless in their attacks.

"Tommy, how are we going to get out of here?"

"I'm not sure, I wasn't expecting this many putties!"

"Who says you will get out of here?" says the voice of Lord Cirko just before his gooey mass takes shape right before their eyes.

Tommy and Kimberly each notice, but keep fighting the putties. Lord Cirko raises his left hand palm up and a large round object about the size of a basketball begins to take shape above his hand.

"Consider this your parting gift, Rangers. It's an implosion device. Once it goes off, no one will know you even existed, "Lord Cirko takes his right hand and presses a button on top of the implosion device which activates a countdown, "It was nice knowing ya!" Cirko laughs as he becomes covered in his own goo before vanishing in thin air. The implosion device hovers in mid air as it begins beeping.

"Tommy we have got to get out of here fast!"

"I know," Tommy winces as he grabs his chest. He starts to glow just a little bit.

"Tommy, your powers..."

"I've got enough, let's get out of here!" Tommy yells as he shoves three putties into the pit. Tommy then runs up and takes Kimberly by the hand and they run out of the chamber down the corridor that Cirko usually entered.

Back outside Jason and Adam are feeling their way around some of the rock formations.

"Jason, look over there."

"What?"

Adam points to an area of rock that seemed to flicker.

"Did you see it?" asks Adam.

"Yeah, let's check it out."

They quickly run over to that area.

"Jason, there are several foot prints here."

"Putties?"

"Could be... they do lead up to this spot."

Jason holds out his hand and it goes right through the rock.

"This is definitely the place," says Jason.

"Should we go in now?"

Just then they hear Dragonzord let out a cry back on the coast followed by explosions, they turn around and look that way to see Vetana, now giant sized, engaging the Dragonzord.

"Well it looks like they know we're here," says Jason.

"Will the Dragonzord be okay?"

"I hope so... we just need him to last long enough to act as a distraction. Let's get moving"

Jason and Adam each gingerly walk through the hologram. Once through they find themselves in what looks to be some sort of old mine or cave. It's very dark but they can see some light down a long ways. They start to jog down the stretch. The tunnel like cave begins to turn and then it straightens out again. After getting to the end of the second straightaway they find a fork.

"Oh man, which way do we go?" asks Adam.

"I'm not sure... do you hear something?"

They look down one way and see putty patrollers off in the distance marching towards them.

"Just what we need," says Adam.

"I'm so not in the mood for this," says Jason.

As they take their fighting stances they turn their back on the other direction. Before the putties make it to them, Kimberly and Tommy come running out the other direction, nearly plowing over Adam and Jason.

"Tommy, Kim, you're alright!" says Jason.

"Glad to see you too bud, but we gotta get out fast!" yells Tommy.

"What's going on?" asks Adam.

"This place is gonna blow, Cirko activated an implosion device!" yells Kimberly

"Then let's move! This way!" Jason yells pointing down the straightaway they just came. They sprint down to the curve, slide on the sand and dirt on the ground in the turn and then make a rapid sprint to the exit. As they run through the hologram, the implosion device detonantes sending a blast through all passages in the cave, barely missing the rangers. Remains of putty patrollers are seen flying out of the cave. All four Rangers are on laying face first on the ground, after the blast. Jason leans over to Tommy.

"Are you alright?" asks Jason.

Tommy reaches down and grabs the Dragon Coin from his belt and reaches out to hand it to Jason.

"Here, take it. It will still work in conjunction with your powers," says Tommy.

As Jason takes the coin, Tommy demorphs.

"Hang in there, Tommy. Kimberly, Adam are you guys okay?"

"I'm good," says Adam.

"I'll be okay, how's Tommy?" ask Kimberly

"Using the Green Ranger Powers took a lot more out of him than we thought," Just as Jason finishes his sentence, Lord Cirko takes shape in front of them.

"So, I see you managed to escape after all."

"You can't get rid of us that easily, you sick excuse for purple Vaseline!" yells Kimberly

"Oh, a challenge? Try this on for size Pink Ranger!" Cirko yells as he sends a huge energy blast right at Kimberly which knocks her back several feet.

The guys all get to their feet.

"You'll pay for that, Cirko!" yells Tommy as he goes to morph, only to realize Kimberly still has his zeonizer.

"Coming from a powerless human, I think not!"

Cirko attempts the same blast at Tommy but both Adam and Jason jump in front of it and take the brunt of it. The velocity of the blast causes them both to fall into Tommy knocking him to the ground. Lord Cirko walks up to the Rangers laying in a dog pile. He picks up Jason and Adam by the back of the neck and slings them in opposite directions. Jason hits the nearby rocks and falls to the ground, and Adam lands in open space but tumbles across the sand and rocks from the nearby shore.

Cirko then stands over Tommy laughing in a sinister tone. Tommy attempts to crawl away, but Cirko steps on his ankle. Tommy screams in pain, and rolls over on his back.

"I told you that one of you would die... It appears as though you've made your choice, Tommy!" says Cirko as he laughs yet again.

Kimberly starts to stir several yards away from Cirko. She sees just a few feet from her the Dragon Dagger wedged in the sand. She realizes that Tommy had dropped it during the explosion, and begins to crawl over to it.

"I'm going to enjoy watching you squirm as the last bit of life escapes your human flesh!" says Cirko as he holds out his hand and it begins to grow as more ooze surrounds it. He then reaches down with his now massive hand and grabs Tommy by his upper torso. He then holds him up and squeezes him as hard as he can. Tommy begins to scream but then starts gasping for air as his lungs are being compressed.

Jason starts to stir a little too, as he looks up and sees Kimberly pulling the Dragon Dagger out of the sand. She gets to her feet and summons her Power Bow.

"Let him go, Cirko!" Kimberly screams

Cirko turns to see Kimberly poised to fire the Dragon Dagger from her Power Bow.

"You think I'm afraid of your puny weapons? In case you haven't noticed... you can't harm me with them! Just as you fail to harm my putty patrollers!" Cirko laughs as he continues to squeeze Tommy's torso.

"We'll see about that," says Kimberly as she pulls the Dragon Dagger back and it begins glowing bright green. She lets go and the Dagger flies through the air and pierces the enlarged forearm of Lord Cirko.

Surprisingly, Cirko screams in pain as he sees his own flesh pierced and a slightly differently color ooze runs out of him, as if it were blood.

The Dragon Dagger connected with the rock near Jason, and now he crawls over to it.

"How can this be?" Lord Cirko exclaims.

"It's called a Lover's Revenge, get used to it!

"Your earthly emotions don't give you extra power!" Lord Cirko screams towards Kimberly holding his wrist.

Jason grabs the Dragon Dagger and gets to his feet, he then summons his power sword. With both weapons in his hands he looks directly at Lord Cirko.

"That may be true, Cirko, but this does! Dragonzord Power!" on command the Dragon Shield appears on Jason's chest. Lord Cirko just turns to see this as Jason crosses the Dragon Dagger with his Power Sword and sends a blast of red and green energy towards him. Cirko takes the entire blast.

As he attempts to get to his feet he sees Kimberly, Adam, and Jason with weapons drawn and aimed at him. Before they can fire again, he uses his magic to turn into a glob of goo and vanish. All three Rangers run over to Tommy.

"Is he okay?" asks Adam.

"Tommy, look at me... look at me, please!" says Kimberly as she gets right in his face.

Tommy open his eyes just enough to squint and coughs a bit before trying to speak.

"I'm fine, I'm fine... just a bit shaken up. How did you get Cirko off me?"

"We finally managed to hurt him," says Jason.

"Yeah, Kimberly and Jason took the fight to him," says Adam.

More explosions are heard off in the distance.

"What was that?" asks Kimberly

"Dragonzord was fighting a giant sized Vetana on the beach before we came in after you guys."

"And that didn't sound good. Let's regroup with the others and find out what we need to do next. We're not going to be of any assistance to the Dragonzord by ourselves."

The Rangers help Tommy to his feet and teleport away.

Tommy, Jason, Kimberly, and Adam arrive at Pyramidas where they are quickly greeted by the others.

"Man, I'm glad you guys are okay!" exclaims Zack

"Same goes for you guys! I thought Cirko was going to turn me into a puppet," says Tommy.

"What happened out there?" asks Trini.

"Yeah, how did you fight off Cirko?" asks Rocky.

"You're going to have to ask these guys," says Tommy pointing to Jason and Kimberly.

"Well, I used the Dragon Dagger with my Power Bow and the Dagger pierced through his arm," says Kimberly.

"You mean you were actually able to inflict damage on him?" asks Billy.

"If having a hole through your arm counts, then yes, Billy."

"Yeah, the initial shock seemed to surprise him as well. That gave me time to get the Dragon Dagger and use it with my Power Sword to give him a taste of what he's been missing," says Jason.

"Billy, can you guys track the DragonZord?" asks Tommy.

"We last saw it battling Vetana," adds Adam.

"Trey, can Pyramidas do a scan for the DragonZord?" asks Billy.

"Do you have some sort of identifier that the scanner can search for?"

"Uh... Alpha, are you functional?"

"Da-da-da-da-da-ta-ta-ta-tran-tran-sfer-sfer-sfer-sfer."

"Billy, I think we need to get the data I transferred onto Alpha off before he will be able to talk again."

"I think you're right, Aisha. There isn't enough free memory available for his vocal processor to function. Can you begin the transfer to Pyramidas?"

"Sure thing," says Aisha.

"Billy, we can't let Vetana damage the DragonZord. It's one of our only lines of defense against a large scale attack," says Tommy.

"I know, Tommy. I know, but we can't track it until we get the data from Alpha."

"What if we use this?" Jason asks as he holds out the Dragon Coin.

"It still has its energy?" asks Billy.

"It worked for me just before I blasted that purple pinhead," says Jason.

"Trey, can you somehow get a reading from this power coin? It should match that of the DragonZord," says Billy handing the coin to Trey.

"Yes, I believe this will work," says Trey has he opens a small latch on a terminal and places the coin in the reader, "Pyramidas's scanner is searching for the energy readings. We will be alerted when it finds a match."

"Well we'll know soon enough now," says Adam.

"Okay, well back to purple pinhead, do we know if we can still harm him?" asks Kat.

"I don't know, but he was certainly surprised," says Kimberly

"If he knows we can hurt him, he's not going to take us on face to face like that again," says Rocky.

"He's right. Lord Cirko will probably send more of his mutated putty patrollers before he shows his face again," says Tanya.

"But can we harm them just as easy?" asks Zack.

"That would be a relief if we could," says Trini.

"But what else does Cirko have at his disposal besides putties?" asks Adam.

"Vetana, we know that much," says Kat.

"And Cirko knows more than we do. He knew my name," says Tommy.

"How can he know your name?" asks Rocky.

"Yeah, man, that big sack of Jello has been stuck in another dimension for who knows how long. How can he know anything about us?" asks Zack.

"I don't know, but I think we need to worry about just how much he knows."

"If this Vetana wields the power to control time and dimensions, perhaps she has used her power to prepare Lord Cirko with information on this dimension."

"You mean, like, she researched us?" asks Kimberly.

"It makes sense, the forces of evil have long known that Zordon provided the Earth with protection," states Jason.

"Excuse me, but that computer thingy is beeping," says Bulk leaning against a wall in the back next to Skull.

"It sorta seemed important," says Skull.

Billy and Trey walk over to the computer terminal and start analyzing the information.

"I think we found the DragonZord," says Billy.

"A visual should be coming up shortly," says Trey.

Video begins to play on a nearby screen, the Rangers gather around to see the DragonZord taking a beating from Vetana. It's still on its feet, but taking numerous blows. As the Rangers watch they see the DragonZord take a fall, as Vetana continuously blasts it on the ground.

"We've got to do something!" Tommy exclaims.

"But what? We can't go out there and face her ourselves!" says Zack.

"Billy, do we have access to any other Zords?" asks Adam.

"What about the FalconZord?" asks Kimberly.

"That would be an excellent idea if I had the codes to commence remote access," states Billy.

"Would he have the code thingy?" Skull asks as he points to Alpha 5 who begins his reboot sequence.

"Data Transfer Complete! Ay yi yi! I can speak again!" Alpha exclaims.

"Alpha, quick can you pull up the old codes to remotely call on the FalconZord?"

"Yes, right on it Billy."

"Can I fly it remotely from in here?" asks Tommy.

"Yes, this terminal will allow you simulate the controls of the Zord," says Trey as he points to a small console near Bulk and Skull.

"Great! Jason, once I give backup to the DragonZord can you use the Dagger to instruct it to take cover?"

"You got it bro!"

"I have the codes, Billy," says Alpha.

"Okay, Tommy go ahead and take your position. I'll load the remote application to that terminal."

"On my way! Excuse me, fellas," Tommy says as he brushes by Bulk and Skull to get to the terminal.

"You're online, Tommy!"

"Alright, FalconZord, let's fly high!" Tommy exclaims as he takes the controls and has his eyes focuses on the screen in front of him."

The FalconZord soars overhead of the fight, as Vetana takes notice. The FalconZord blasts her with lasers from its eyes. Vetana stumbles around and attempts to take aim at the FalconZord pointing her sword into the sky. Jason sees an opportunity, and pulls out the Dragon Dagger and plays a few notes instructing the Dragonzord to fire it's finger missiles, which nail Vetana in the back of the legs. This causes her to misfire and miss the FalconZord completely. Tommy swoops the FalconZord low and side swipes a stumbling Vetana, slashing her like a blade along her arms. Jason once again plays the Dragon Dagger, instructing the DragonZord to get to its feet. As it does, Vetana attempts to grab its arms and sling it back to the ground, but the FalconZord once again fires its lasers at her back. This distraction allows the DragonZord to turn away and proceed to take cover, but Vetana quickly turns her attention back to it and grabs its tail. DragonZord pulls and pulls but can't break Vetana's grip. Jason plays the Dragon Dagger once again, this time activating the drill tip at the end of DragonZord's tail. As the tip of the drill begins to graze Vetana, she quickly let's go but attempts to use her sword to slice off the drill tip. Before she gets the chance, Tommy sends the FalconZord flying full force at Vetana. The FalconZord pulls both its wings forward aiming its canons at her and firing all full power. Vetana takes the brunt of the fire, but manages to retreat before more damage can be done. Jason plays the Dragon Dagger one last time sending the DragonZord back to the sea where it is safe.

"You guys did it!" Kimberly exclaims.

"Great job, guys," says Adam.

"Billy, can you run a diagnostic on the DragonZord while it's returning to the sea?" asks Tommy.

"Yeah, good idea."

We find ourselves in a dimly lit area, seemingly underground, much like the cave environment Tommy and Kimberly were held captive. There is visible water leaks as it drips from the ceiling into puddings on the rock floor. We can see a shadowy figure noticeably agitated grasping onto one arm. Soon Vetana takes shape inside the room.

"Master, what is the matter?" asks Vetana.

The shadowy figure reveals himself to be Lord Cirko tending to his wounds.

"What is the matter? This is the matter!" screams Lord Cirko as he walks towards Vetana holding up his pierced forearm for her to see.

"What-er, I mean, who did this to you?" asks Vetana.

"The Pink Power Rat! She used a dagger as a bloody arrow! How can this happen, Vetana?! I have been invincible until now!"

"I feared there might be unknown side effects."

"Side effects? What do you mean, side effects?"

"The local energies within your dimensional prison gave you your additional strength. It's the source of your invincibility, and your mutation."

"Yes. I'm aware."

"Well... Master, I'm afraid that once you left that realm, you've begun another metamorphosis."

"What?"

"You're changing back."

"No!! This cannot be! This ruins everything!"

"I know you're upset, my Lord!"

"Upset is an understatement!" Lord Cirko screams as he gets right in Vetana's face forcing her up against a wall.

"If you allow me, I think I may be able to help you," Vetana says in fear.

"You better, witch, or your powers will become just as useless to you as they are to me!"

Lord Cirko takes a step back and extends his pierced forearm to Vetana. She then holds her hands out on either side of his arm, palms facing in. She closes her eyes and begins to sing various tones that are more like sounds than words. A circular light forms around Lord Cirko's wound and as it slowly fades away, his arm is whole again. Vetana opens her eyes as Cirko feels his forearm with his hand.

"You've done well."

"Master, I must warn you. I will not be able to heal massive wounds, my power will not allow it."

"Then I suggest you find a way to solve this problem. I must destroy those humans. They stand between me and my destiny! Zedd and Rita thought they could conquer this planet for themselves, now I can prove that I am and always was the superior leader and warrior! Soon this world and all of its resources will be mine!"

"That might just be what you need, my Lord," says Vetana.

"Of course it's what I need, did you not just hear what I said?"

"No, Master, the earth's resources might be the answer to your-er, I mean, our dilemma."

"Go on."

"The Humans have massive amounts of power, power they consider a valuable resource. If you absorb their man made power it may prevent the metamorphosis from continuing."

"So you don't know for sure, do you Vetana?"

"Well no, my Lord, all I know for sure is that the only way to guarantee your invincibility is to renter your previous dimension."

"Now that, my dear, is an idea."

"What? But, Master, you cannot enter the dimension as long as the Rangers have my worm holes blocked."

"Then we will bring the dimension to us."

"What?"

"You heard me. Merge the realms!"

"Yes, Lord Cirko, an excellent idea as always. I will get right on it," Vetana immediately fades away into smoke as she leaves to obey Lord Cirko's commands.

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Back aboard Pyramidas, several of the Rangers pace around impatiently while Alpha 5, Billy, and Trey type away at different consoles. Noticeably absent are Jason, Tommy, Bulk and Skull.

"I hate this feeling," says Tanya.

"Me too, it's like we're just waiting for him to attack again," says Kimberly.

"Well that's essentially all we can do. I mean, we don't know where he is or what he's planning to do," states Rocky.

"There has to be something we can do. This makes us seem so... so helpless," says Zack.

"Guys, Cirko is hurt. We've knocked him back a peg or two, he's gonna proceed cautiously from now on, right?" suggests Adam.

"We can only hope," says Kat.

"Are you getting anywhere, Billy?" asks Trini.

"Not yet, I haven't seen any unusual activity on the scanners."

"He is undoubtedly using some sort of cloaking device or energy if he is still on your planet," states Trey.

"Alpha, have you come to any conclusions as to why we were finally able to hurt Lord Cirko?" ask Billy.

"Nothing yet, Billy. It would help if I actually knew what dimension he was previously in. Since Lord Cirko's whole existence has been that of legend, there is little factual data in our archives about him!"

"Well, keep trying, we're bound to find something useful," states Billy.

An alarm begins to go off, and Billy immediately returns to his console.

"What is it? Is Cirko attacking?" asks Rocky.

"Not him personally, but his army is!" replies Billy.

"We better get down there fast!" exclaims Zack.

"Where are they?" asks Tanya.

"It looks like they're attacking multiple locations; I'm trying to pinpoint them all."

"Someone better go get Tommy and Jason," states Adam.

"I'll get them," states Kimberly.

"I'll go with you," says Kat.

"They are two levels down with Bulk and Skull," states Alpha.

Kimberly and Kat walk through a doorway and enter an elevator lift, and press the level they need to get to the others.

"So have you and Tommy had the chance to talk much?" asks Kat.

"Why? What do you mean?"

"Oh don't act like you don't know," says Kat.

"Well, we've had a few moments you could say."

"Kim, when I first met you and Tommy, you couldn't have been more in love. I may have had issues with jealousy," she pauses, "but after you two broke up I had always hoped that Tommy and I could have half the relationship that the two of you had."

"Did you?" Kimberly hesitates to ask.

"Maybe. I'm not really sure. All I know is, I think he still very much cares about you. I think he always has."

"I know," Kimberly says with a smile on her face as she leans over to hug Kat.

As the two embrace the lights flicker and the elevator stops and shakes hard enough to knock the girls off their feet. Kimberly sits up and taps her communicator.

"Alpha, what's happening?"

"Ay yi yi! We seem to have been hit by a strong blast of energy!"

"Well I think we're stuck in the elevator."

"Kimberly, look!" says Kat as she points to the elevator door.

The door is forced open by Jason and Tommy as the elevator was nearly at its destination.

"You ladies need a hand?" asks Tommy.

"We could have done that," states Bulk behind him.

"Yeah, we just didn't want to show off," adds Skull.

Jason and Tommy help the girls out of the elevator.

"We've gotta get back to the others and see what's going on," states Kat.

"Yeah, we think Lord Cirko is preparing to launch multiple attacks," says Kimberly.

"Oh man, I bet that's what this is about," replies Tommy.

"Come on, I think the emergency escape hatch is over here," says Jason.

All five follow Jason as he finds a camouflaged panel that slides over to reveal a ladder inside a tunnel passageway going between the decks of Pyramidas.

"Awesome, how did you know this was here?" asks Tommy.

"You don't think I explored this place when I had the Gold Ranger powers?"

They each chuckle at Jason's response right before climbing through the escape passage. Once at the right deck, they come through a similarly disguised panel and walk down to the control room to meet the others.

"Ay yi yi! You made it! I was getting worried."

"What's the situation?" asks Jason.

"The Power Failure was the result of Pyramidas taking a direct blast," replies Billy.

"It's either Cirko or Vetana trying to get our attention, no doubt," states Zack.

"Why haven't they attacked again?" asks Tommy.

"Good question," says Aisha.

Rocky and Tanya look up from a console.

"Hey, I think we should be at full power again soon," says Rocky.

"We have enough to operate with for now," states Tanya.

"Great, Alpha, try the scanners again," says Trini.

"Right away! Scanning now."

"The previous scan showed possibly three different locations where Lord Cirko's putty patrollers were active, but there was no lock on their coordinates," states Trey.

"It looks like we're going to have to split up, how do you want to do it?" asks Adam.

- "If it's three places I say we use two groups of four and a group of three," says Jason.
- "Are you not counting me?" asks Aisha.
- "Alpha, what was your analysis on Aisha's powers?" asks Tommy.
- "They are not permanent. Her powers were practically unnoticeable until they were temporally revived by the Zeo Crystal. Without her Ninja Coin, the power will not last."
 - "Sorry, Aisha," says Tommy.
 - "We'll utilize your powers only if necessary, okay?" asks Jason.
 - "Okay," says Aisha, while nodding.
 - "Okay, Adam, you and Billy go with Trey," says Jason.
 - "I'll take Kimberly, Katherine, and Zack," says Tommy.
 - "Then Rocky, Trini, and Tanya will go with me."
 - "I think we have a lock on the three locations this time," says Trini.
 - "Ay yi yi!"
 - "What is it?" asks Billy.
 - "It appears Lord Cirko has dispatched his putties to attack major power plants."
 - "Power plants? What is he going to do with the power plants?" asks Rocky.
 - "Yeah, we're not powered by them, so what does he want with them?" asks Tanya.
 - "I don't know, but knowing Cirko it's probably a trap," says Kimberly.
 - "Well is everyone, ready?" asks Tommy.
 - "Please be careful Rangers!" exclaims Alpha.
 - "You got it. It's Morphin' Time!" says Jason.
 - "Mastodon!" morphs Zack.
 - "Pterodactyl!" morphs Kimberly.
 - "Triceratops!" morphs Billy.
 - "Saber Tooth Tiger!" morphs Trini.
 - "Tyrannosaurus!" morphs Jason.
 - "Zeo Ranger One Pink!" morphs Kat.
 - "Zeo Ranger Two Yellow!" morphs Tanya.
 - "Zeo Ranger Three Blue!" morphs Rocky.
 - "Zeo Ranger Four Green!" morphs Adam.
 - "Zeo Ranger Five Red!" morphs Tommy.

[&]quot;Gold Ranger Power!" morphs Trey.

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Tommy, Kimberly, Kat, and Zack arrive at their destination.

"Keep an eye out for those gooey clay brains, you guys," says Tommy.

"I don't think we have to look far, check that out," states Zack as he points to a large platoon of putties marching towards a power plant.

"Looks like they do want the power plant," says Kat.

"Well let's make sure they don't get there," replies Kimberly.

"Ok let's go!" exclaims Tommy.

All four Rangers charge at the putties. They each pull out either their Blade Blasters or Zeo Laser Pistols and begin firing at the putties from behind. As soon as they reach them, the putties immediately start to attack. Tommy performs a roundhouse kick and once he lands he continues in the same direction with a low spinning kick tripping the putties he didn't hit. Zack jumps and kicks a putty right in the face and uses it to flip over. Once on his feet he jumps in the air and performs a split kick nailing a putty on either side of him. Katherine performs a quick spin kick on two different putties and then rolls over the back of a third then nailing him in the face once on her feet. Kimberly cartwheels past three putties, once she lands she elbows a fourth in the face before kicking the closest one down causing the other two to trip over him.

We now arrive on location with Jason, Rocky, Trini, and Tanya.

"Jase, over there!" exclaims Rocky pointing to a platoon of putties making their way to yet another power plant.

"They're already at the gates!" says Tanya.

"We've gotta stop them!" exclaims Trini.

"Then let's go!" shouts Jason, as he leads the charge.

They all four draw their weapons. Jason charges in with his Power Sword and starts ripping past several of the putties before drawing his Blade Blaster to blast several approaching a chain link fence surrounding the power plant. Rocky has his Zeo Power Axes in his hands and he digs them deep into the gooey interior of each putty kicking or shoving them down afterwards. Trini uses her Power Daggers to stop a duo of putties approaching the fence by slinging them at them and nailing them in the back of the neck. As she charges to retrieve them, she pulls her Blade Blaster and fires at several of the putties surrounding her. Tanya uses her Zeo Power Clubs on numerous putties surrounding her causing most of them to take a knee, she then either kicks them down or clobbers them again with the Clubs.

Adam, Billy, and Trey arrive at the third location. They immediately are noticed and cause several putties to start attacking them, while even more attempt to enter the power plant.

"Looks like we need all the fire power we can get!" shouts Trey.

"You can say that again! Zeo Power Hatchets!" shouts Adam summoning his weapons as he starts slashing through some putties.

"Affirmative! Power Lance!" shouts Billy as his Power Lance appears in his hand, he beats two putties over the head with it before stabbing one in the gut and then twirling it around to charge at some more.

"Time for a Gold Rush!" shouts Trey as he summons the Golden Power Staff and runs through a group of putties zapping them all with a blast of energy.

"Come on they're gonna get in!" instructs Adam as he leads the way.

The three Rangers charge forward slicing and dicing their way through some putties until they reach a similar chain link fence that surrounded the other power plants. However, things start to take a turn for the worse as they are now surrounded by the putties and severely out numbered.

"What do you suggest we do now?" asks Trey.

"Fight them off as long as we can!" answers Billy.

"As long as they're not in there, they can't do no harm. We've got to hold on!" says Adam.

They try to spread out but each one is taking on numerous putties by themselves, and the numbers game starts to become too much even though they are getting in several strikes and blasts with their weapons.

Back with Tommy's group, they're facing a similar issue. They're now at the chain-linked fence. Kat is attempting to scale the fence, but a putty leaps on the shoulders of another putty and jumps over Zack and onto Kat's back. Zack attempts to free her, but the putty breaks her grip and both of them fall to the ground.

"Kat!" yells Kimberly, who starts shooting her Blade Blaster clearing a path to Zack and Zack, "Is she okay?"

"I think so, can you stand up?" asks Zack.

"Yeah, Yeah, I think I'm fine."

Just as Kat utters those words several putties do the same leapfrog type maneuver and leap over the Rangers and onto the fence. They begin to climb it. As the Rangers turn around to attempt to blast them off, three more jump on top of them knocking them to the ground.

"Guys I'm coming!" yells Tommy as he begins slicing and dicing through the putties with his Zeo Power Sword in hand. He quickly draws his Zeo Laser Pistol and begins blasting putties at a distance while still ripping through the ones at arms length. As Tommy gets closer more putties seem to appear.

"Get off me you gross piece of clay!" Kimberly shouts just before rolling onto her side and blasting straight through the putty that was on top of her. She rolls him off as it rives in pain. She transforms her Blade Blaster into Blade mode and slices the two on top of Zack and Katherine before kicking them off.

"I'm about sick of this. Power Ax!" yells Zack as he gets to his feet to summon the Power Ax. He uses it as canon to blast numerous putties away, but even more begin to show up.

"They just won't quit!" screams Kat as she uses her Zeo Laser Pistol to shoot some more.

"Are you guys alright?" Tommy asks as he finally meets up with the others.

"Yeah, for now," replies Zack.

"Tommy, we can't hold them off forever," says Kimberly.

"We've gotta try!" says Tommy as he blasts some more putties.

Back with Jason's group, Tanya and Trini each yank down a putty trying to scale the fencing, while Jason and Rocky continue to slice and blast the ones attempting to get to the fence. As the numbers increase, more and more manage to get by them.

"Tanya, get those ones down there!" yells Trini as she holds onto the feet of two putties on the fence.

"I'm on it!" Tanya shouts as she runs along the side of the fence to reach two more putties. She gets there just in time as she grabs a foot of each one and begins to pulls, but they're stronger and seem to continue to climb essentially carrying Tanya with them.

"Trini, I can't get them down!" screams Tanya.

Trini just gets her two down and she pulls out her Daggers and slices them each across the face as they attempt to attack her. She turns her head to see the two putties nearly at the top with Tanya hanging by their feet. She runs down there after them and in mid run she slings her Daggers and nails each one in the side of the head, causing them to fall back down. Trini helps Tanya back to her feet, and they each run back to help Jason and Rocky who are now at the fence where Trini had been.

"Rocky get my back!" Jason screams as he tries to climb the fence. Rocky stands in front of him one power hatchet in one hand, and his Zeo Laser Pistol in the other. He blasts several putties, as Jason turns around and attempts to blast several off in the distance. Rocky continues to fight on the ground, but three putties come at him at once, and while he takes care of two of them, the third gets to the fence and pulls Jason down causing him to fall on his back. Before the putty can attack him Jason blasts his face off with his Blade Blaster. The girls arrive just in time to help him to his feet and back up Rocky.

"Jason are you okay?" asks Trini.

"I'm fine, but we're getting out matched here."

"Tell me about it!" exclaims Rocky as he blasts another nearby putty.

"What should we do?" asks Tanya.

"Keep fighting!" shouts Jason as the four Rangers stand back to back with their Blade Blasters and Zeo Laser Pistols in hand.

At all three locations, the skies suddenly become very dark, and several putty patrollers begin to climb on top of one another. Lord Cirko's image takes place in the cloudy skies in the form of purple beams of light.

"Power Rangers, you have got in my way for the last time. From now on you will be powerless against me, and my evil forces. Behold, as my Putty Patrollers rise to the occasion and use your human resources to destroy you!!"

As Lord Cirko's evil laugh echoes throughout the area, at all three locations a purple energy beam comes from the sky and connects with each putty mountain that has formed, and it causes them to ooze frantically covering every inch of their bodies. The beam seems to increase the flow of ooze and merges them together. From the gob of goo at each location forms a massive putty monster. As the beam ceases, the putty monsters roar in acknowledgement of their mission and begin to make their way over to each power plant.

"Quick everyone fire!" Tommy yells to his group as they each try to stop it with their Blade Blasters and Zeo Laser Pistols. They have no effect on the monster as it stomps past the chain link fence. Several normal putties were left over and they all begin to gang up on the rangers while they attempt to blast the monster.

The monster starts pulling apart pieces of the exterior of the power plant, it throws giant chunks of the exterior outward at the Rangers. They try to take cover as pieces of concrete, piping, and drywall fall everywhere.

"Tommy, check with Jason and the others!" shouts Kimberly.

"Jason, can you read me? We have a major problem on our hands!" Tommy shouts into his wrist communicator.

"Tommy, I read you but we're having our own problems." Jason replies into his communicator.

Rocky helps Tanya to her feet, as the Rangers attempt to run around the chain link fence to try to get in on the other side of the power plant. Several putties are on their tail and their monster is wrecking havoc on the outer structure of the power plant as well. The monster reaches into a whole inside the building and bolts of electricity start to go through its arm and into the rest of his body.

"What is he doing?" yells Trini

"I think he's draining the grid's electricity," replies Rocky.

"Great, just what he needs more power!" yells Tanya.

"Quick keep moving!" shouts Jason.

After several surges of electricity the monster frees his hands and starts using the power to send energy blasts from the palm of his hand, effectively duplicating the devastating effect of lighting on everything it touches.

"His blasts are getting closer!" yells Tanya.

"Don't stop!" yells Rocky.

The monster attempts to aim directly at the Rangers, but keeps missing. He takes a shot in front of them and blows a huge whole in the ground causing them to stop. He then takes aim right at the Rangers!

"Iason look out!" shouts Trini

"Everyone kneel down behind me!" shouts Jason as he outstretches his arms, "Dragon Zord Power!"

The Power Shild forms over Jason's chest just before an energy blast nails him. The Shield takes the brunt of the blast. With the Dragon Dagger now in hand, Jason crosses it with his Power Sword, just as he did against Lord Cirko, sending a powerful blast of red and green energy at the monster.

"It didn't seem to phase him!" Jason yells frantically.

"What should we do now?" asks Tanya.

"Hide, and fast! I'll keep him busy!" replies Jason.

Adam, Billy, and Trey find themselves in a similar position, but they have chosen to keep fighting off the putty patrollers over distracting the monster. Trey uses the Golden Power Staff to once again electrify them, but it does little damage and they get back to their feet almost instantly. Billy uses his Power Lance to keep pushing them away, knocking them down when he can. Adam has one Zeo Power Hatchet in one hand, and his Zeo Laser Pistol in the other attempting to keep them back.

"Adam, we should try to distract that monster," yells Billy.

"If we do, these guys will take us out for sure."

"I do think we're stuck between the proverbial rock and a hard place as you would say," replies Trey.

"Look out!" yells Adam, as he shoves Trey out of the way of one of the monster's electrical blasts.

"Guys get up and move quick!" shouts Billy, as the monster tries to blast them again. Adam and Trey manage to regroup with Billy as more debris falls.

"Okay, so I don't think we stand a chance against that guy," says Adam.

More and more putties seem to surround the Rangers, but as they try to defend themselves the monster sends a blast directly behind them on the other side of the chain link fence. It sends them flying away from the fence, but the force of the blast sends a large piece of fencing over on top of them. The putties proceed to use it as a net and stomp on the now trapped Rangers.

"Adam, can you hear me?" Tommy asks through Adam's communicator.

"Yeah, but we're in a real jam right now.

Right after Adam says that, the Monster attempts to blast them again, but hits part of the fencing causing the Rangers to feel an electric shock.

Back aboard Pyramidas, Aisha and Alpha are furiously typing on their consoles while Bulk and Skull stand in the back out of the way.

"I'm not getting any definitive readings on those monster things."

"Me either! Ay yi yi!!"

"Alpha, come in!" screams Tommy through the communication system.

"We read you Tommy," says Aisha.

"Teleport everyone back now!"

"On it! Alpha, bring everyone back!"

"I'm trying to as fast as I can! Ay yi yi!!"

All the Rangers arrive back at the control room.

"Adam, Billy, Trey, are you guys alright?" asks Aisha as she rushes over to them.

"Yeah, yeah, just a little toasty, but I'll be alright," says Adam.

"I think our suits protected us for the most part," says Billy.

"Here, let me check your vitals. Trey where are your bio scanners?"

"This way, I will show you."

"No, you sit, where are they?" asks Aisha.

"In the back in a storage bin," replies Trey.

As Aisha walks back to where Bulk and Skull are standing, the other Rangers check up on each other and try to think of a way to combat the monsters.

"Can we use the Dragon Zord and Falcon Zord?" asks Kimberly

"Our weapons had no effect on them, we shouldn't put the Zords at risk," states Trini.

"But I thought we were able to hurt them now, what happened?" asks Zack.

"Yeak, Cirko seemed really sure of himself," says Kat.

"Alpha, help me run a dimensional analysis," says Billy.

"Right away, Billy," says Alpha as he makes his way to a console and begins pressing keys.

"What are you thinking, Billy?" asks Rocky.

"I can't explain it, but when Cirko appeared in the sky and the putties began escalating their attacks while forming the monsters, there was a weird feeling."

"Are you suggesting that he's done something to increase his power?" asks Tanya.

"Something that would affect this dimension?" asks Adam.

"Possibly. I won't know for sure until we run this analysis."

"We need to find out as soon as possible. Aisha, are you finished checking on Billy, Adam, and Trey?" asks Jason.

"Yeah, all their readings seem normal."

"Great, can you pull up the three power plants on the screens so I can see what the monsters are doing now?"

"Definitely, just give me a second," says Aisha as she puts away the bio scanner and walks over to the console at the front of the room in front of the central screen.

"What are you looking for, Jason?" asks Tommy.

"I'm not sure. A weakness or a reason. Anything that will help us out or put this in perspective."

"Here are all three locations, Jason," says Aisha.

"Nothing will hurt them if Cirko has found a way to make himself invincible again" states Tommy.

"Excuse me, may I ask a question?" asks Bulk as everyone turns to look at him and Skull.

"What is it?" asks Jason.

"Well doesn't the Zeo thingy use its energy stuff to make the bad guys not so tough?" asks Bulk.

"Yeah, I thought Aisha and the robot were talking about that at one point," adds Skull.

"He's right," says Aisha.

"We are!?" exclaim Bulk and Skull almost at once.

"Yes, we were able to use the Zeo Crystal to neutralize whatever mutation the putties went through. Shouldn't that be able to work again?" asks Aisha.

"It's possible, but we can't risk using the actual Crystal," says Billy.

"Yeah, and I doubt the way we combined our zeonizers would be effective against a monster that size," says Tommy.

"Well surely there's something we can do," says Kimberly.

"There might be," says Trey.

"Well what? What is it?" asks Zack.

"Give me a few moments, I will return," Trey says as he stands up and exits the control room.

"Ay yi yi!"

"What now, Alpha?" asks Trini.

"Billy was right! There seems to be an irregularity in our dimension!" says Alpha.

"Irregularity? Like what?" asks Rocky.

"This reading shows multiple dimensional markers, which means the analysis actually read two dimensions!"

"You mean like we're in two dimensions at the same time?" asks Tanya.

"More like our dimension is merging with another," states Billy.

"Is it the dimension that Cirko came from? Did he do it?" asks Zack.

"It is more likely that Lord Cirko had Vetana do it for him," states Alpha.

"That's one powerful witch," says Kimberly.

"But it is Cirko's dimension, right?" asks Jason.

"We cannot know for sure, till we do more analysis," states Alpha.

"We can compare it with the data we collected on the worm holes, Vetana used to bring him here, but that could take some time," says Billy.

"It has to be his, that's how he's regenerating his strength," says Adam.

"Yeah, and he's going to use it to ensure he has complete control of this dimension," says Tommy.

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We join Lord Cirko in his dark, secret lair. He seems very full of himself for the moment. Vetana soon takes shape in the room.

"Vetana! How much longer till the merger is complete?" asks Cirko, excitedly.

"It's hard to say, my master, but the process is all going according to plan. Soon your power will be the only thing this miserably planet will know!"

"Excellent, now if only I had a plan to get rid of those pathetic power punks!"

"That's exactly what I was coming to see you about," Vetana says with a sly grin on her face.

"What do you have in mind?"

"What if you didn't have to destroy them?"

"Of course, I have to destroy them! If I don't they'll continue to be a thorn in my side! Even if I take over this putrid planet, if they continue to exist they will meddle in my plans forever!"

"You misunderstand, my master," Vetana says with a slight laugh.

Cirko looks at her with a devilish stare.

"You dare to laugh at me, witch! Speak more clearly, and forget the riddles, or I will see to it that your existence becomes an agonizing one!"

"Yes, master. I was going to suggest that perhaps you let the rangers... destroy themselves."

Cirko looks intrigued.

"Tell me more," he says as he begins to circle Vetana with his hands folded behind his back.

"There are technically two teams of Rangers. One of which has a natural power source, the Zeo Crystal. It's said that the Crystal's powers only get stronger over time."

"How does this help me?"

"What if we controlled the Crystal, and the Rangers that use it?"

"You're suggesting we would use the Zeo Rangers to destroy the others?"

"Yes, master... you see..."

"What makes you think that we could possibly control the Zeo Crystal while the Rangers have it in their possession?" interrupts Lord Cirko.

"We do it through magic," Vetana says with a smile on her face.

"Sorcery, you say? You've intrigued me, yet again."

"I can cast a spell on the Crystal that will spread to those who use it, giving us complete control of the Zeo Rangers!"

"By the look on your face, I think there is more to this..." Cirko says somewhat skeptical.

"I can't cast the spell directly on the Crystal without being in it's presence. However, my master, I can cast the spell on a power source and use that against the Rangers and the Crystal."

"What power source do you suggest?"

"The human's power! We just absorbed large amounts of man made power via your monsters. We can use those monsters to fire on that spaceship the Rangers are hiding on."

"How can you be certain that the spell will transfer to the Crystal?"

"If we blast them hard enough, it will pass through the circuitry of the ship and once in the Crystal's presence, it will be applied," Vetana says with a very vindictive smile on her face.

"Then so be it!" Lord Cirko shouts as he begins to laugh maniacally.

Back aboard Pyramidas, the Rangers are scrambling to find a way to handle the monsters at the three destinations.

"Ay yi yi! They're continuing to absorb power through the power grid!"

"We still don't know why they're doing it," says Zack.

"The only good news is they're not wrecking up anything else," adds Rocky.

"Wait, I think they're starting to move onto something else," states Billy.

"Something else, meaning they're trying to attack something else?" asks Kimberly.

"No, it's more like they've stopped stealing power," explains Billy.

"Well that's better news," says Tanya.

"Until they make their next move," says Kat.

"Rangers, I have picked up something nearby," announces Trey.

"What is it?" asks Jason.

"Can you put it on a screen?" asks Tommy.

Trey nods and presses a few buttons on the control panel. The image of Vetana appears on the screen.

"Where is she?" asks Adam.

"According to this she's just beneath us on the ground," explains Trey.

"She's probably trying to make sure we don't interfere with the monster's next attack," states Trini.

"Well whatever she wants to try, we have to be ready," says Jason.

"Av vi vi! I've lost the monsters!"

"What do you mean?" asks Tommy.

"They just disappeared!" exclaims Alpha.

"Guys, look at the screen," says Kimberly, pointing to the screen.

The three monsters appear standing together with Vetana in front of them.

"She must have teleported them there," states Billy.

"This looks bad," says Zack.

"Wait, she's doing something. Alpha run an energy scan!" exclaims Billy.

"Running now!"

"We better get ready now, we can't just sit here and let her make the first move," says Tommy

"How? We can't risk losing the Dragonzord or Falconzord," says Kat

"She's right, we have to be cautious," says Jason.

"Energy scan suggest she is casting some sort of spell on the monsters," states Alpha.

"Why would she cast a spell on them?" asks Kimberly.

"Make them stronger or give them different powers, most likely," explains Trini.

"Ay yi yi! The reading just jumped off the charts!"

"Rangers, brace for impact! They're about to fire!" screams Trey

Just as the words come out of Trey's mouth the first of several high energy blasts strike Pyramidas.

"Ay yi yi! We're going to crash!"

The power inside Pyramidas begins to fluctuate dramatically, causing the ship's stabilizers to go down resulting in it falling to Earth's surface. Upon landing all the Rangers, Alpha, Bulk, and Skull are thrown about the room, but no one is seriously injured. Pyramidas is now running on backup power, Trey gets to his feet first and immediately gets to a computer console to activate the ship's cloaking mechanism.

"Is everyone alright?" asks Tommy.

They all nod as they try to get to their feet.

"Okay, forget waiting around. Let's see if we can finally take that wicked witch out for good!" exclaims Jason.

"You got it!" says Tommy.

"It's Morphin' Time!" exclaims Jason

"Mastodon!" morphs Zack.

"Pterodactyl "morphs Kimberly

"Triceratops!" morphs Billy

"Saber Tooth Tiger!" morphs Trini

"Tyrannosaurus!" morphs Jason.

"Zeo Ranger One – Pink!" morphs Kat.

"Zeo Ranger Two - Yellow!" morphs Tanya.

"Zeo Ranger Three - Blue!" morphs Rocky.

"Zeo Ranger Four - Green!" morphs Adam.

"Zeo Ranger Five - Red!" morphs Tommy.

"Gold Ranger Power!" morphs Trey.

The Rangers teleport to Vetana's location and immediately charge at her.

"There could be hundreds of you and I wouldn't care!" Vetana laughs as she summons her sword and starts her attack shooting off energy blasts at them.

Tommy and Jason draw their swords and they swipe away a few of her blasts and slash a few of their own her direction. She appears un-phased. Trini and Tanya run at her and use their weapons on her left and right sides destracting her long enough for Kimberly to fire a few energy arrows at her. Kat then slings her Zeo Power Disc Frisbee style and lands a direct hit. Vetana takes the blows, but continues to laugh off the Rangers. She grabs both Trini and Tanya by the throat and flings them away. Zack and Adam are there to catch them, and then turn around and allow Billy and Rocky to run up and use their hands as spring boards to fire their blasters at Vetana. She again laughs it off and unleashes and energy blast knocking both Blue Rangers to the ground.

"There's got to be something we can do!" shouts Tommy.

"Oh there will be something soon enough, Red Ranger!" Vetana shouts as she fires off several blasts at once causing all the Rangers to fly backwards and to the ground.

Meanwhile back on board Pyramidas, Aisha and Alpha are working frantically to restore full power.

"Can we help?" asks Bulk.

"Yeah, we'll do something!" adds Skull.

"Ay yi yi! I'm not sure!"

"Guys, if I knew something to tell you I honestly would," says Aisha.

"But the Rangers are getting their back sides handed to them out there! There's got to be something we can do!" exclaims Bulk

"Yeah, we can't just sit here and do nothing!" adds Skull as he smacks his hand on the computer terminal.

Suddenly the computers begin booting up and the ship's primary power returns.

"Ay yi yi! I think Skull actually did it!"

"Well there, you did something!" laughs Aisha.

Once the power is restored the Zeo Crystal begins glowing a peculiar color.

Back in the battle, all the Rangers have their blasters drawn and are trying to attack Vetana in a circular motion. However, Tommy, Adam, Rocky, Tanya, and Kat suddenly become very slow and sluggish in their motions. Tommy grabs the side of his helmet as if he were experiencing a headache.

"Tommy, are you okay?" screams Jason.

Tommy and the other Zeo Rangers suddenly snap out of it, and stop firing.

"You guys, what's the matter?" yells Zack.

"Yeah, what's the problem?" adds Billy.

"Problem? You guys are the problem!" exclaims Tommy as he opens fire on Jason and nthe others. Adam, Rocky, Tanya, and Kat join him. Jason, Billy, Zack, Trini, and Kimberly all fall over from the blasts. When they get to their feet they see the Zeo Rangers stand side by side with Vetana, as she once again lets out a terrorizing laugh.

"You see Power Rangers, you simply cannot win. Especially now that Lord Cirko has his very own team of Rangers to finish you off!"