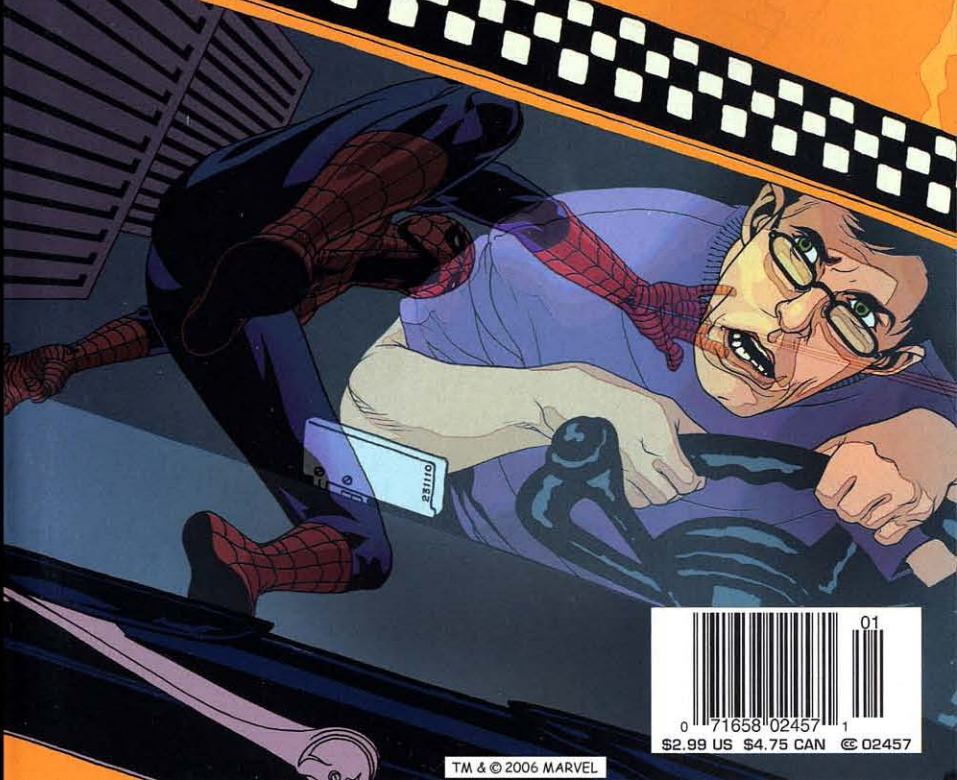


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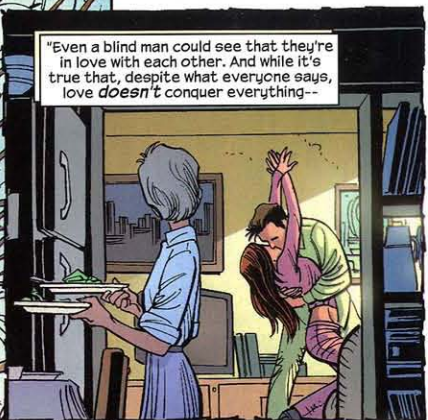
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-- and Peter's doing so well these days, ever since he got back with Mary Jane.

To tell you the truth, there were times I thought it was never going to happen. But I should have known better.

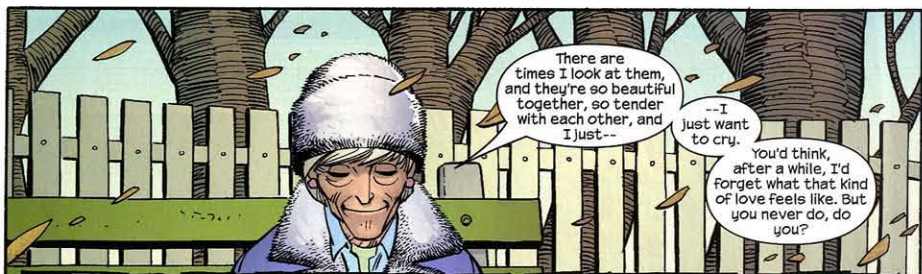
"Even a blind man could see that they're in love with each other. And while it's true that, despite what everyone says, love *doesn't* conquer everything--"

"--it does have a habit of conquering *most* things. If you let it."



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There are times I look at them, and they're so beautiful together, so tender with each other, and I just--

--I just want to cry.

You'd think, after a while, I'd forget what that kind of love feels like. But you never do, do you?

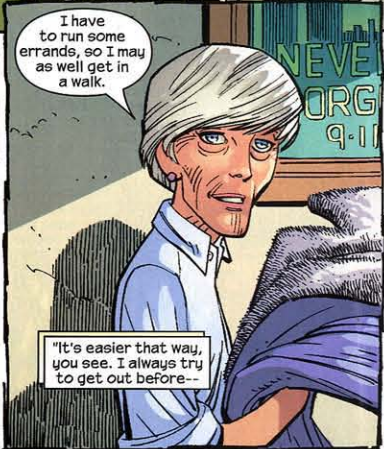


"Then, of course, Peter has to go to work. It's hard when you have to work every day."

"No rest, not even on Saturday."

I'd better get going. MJ, can you give Aunt May a ride to--

No, it's all right.



I have to run some errands, so I may as well get in a walk.

"It's easier that way, you see. I always try to get out before--"



"--well, before he has to change into his work clothes."

"I love Peter very much, but there are times I still have a problem with--"



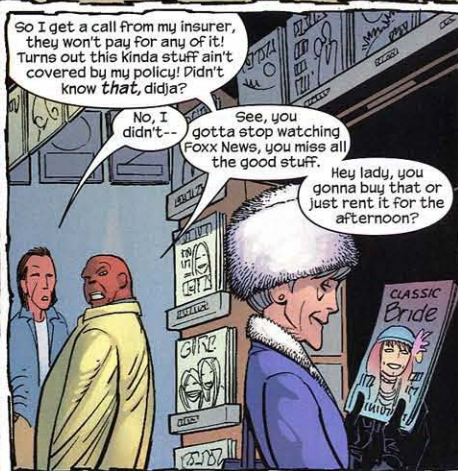
"--well, with that."



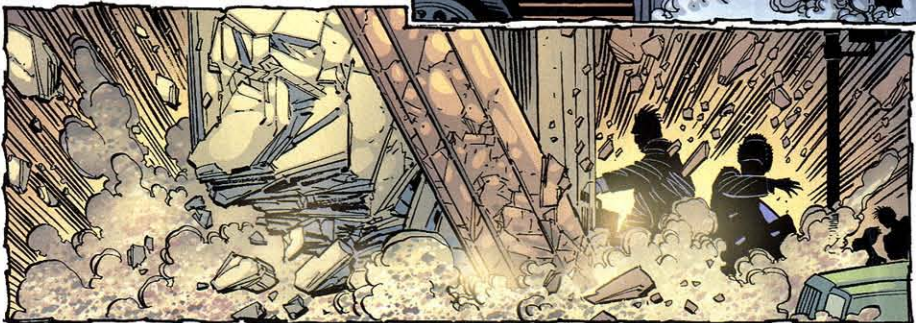
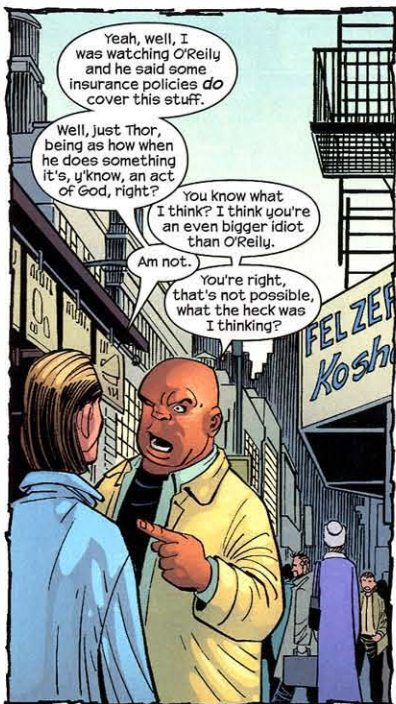
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About how Peter is Spider-Man.











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"No rest."

"Not even on  
Saturday."



"Sometimes if things go too badly I have to hear the details on the news. But most times now Peter tells me himself, which is good, I think. We're so much closer now..."

Can't let him get close to me again. That last hit rattled my teeth.

Good landing, chief. That's some combination of skills you've got there.

Grace of a gazelle.

Brains of a hamster.

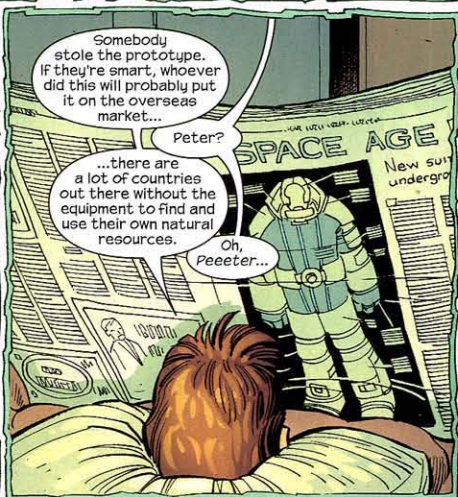
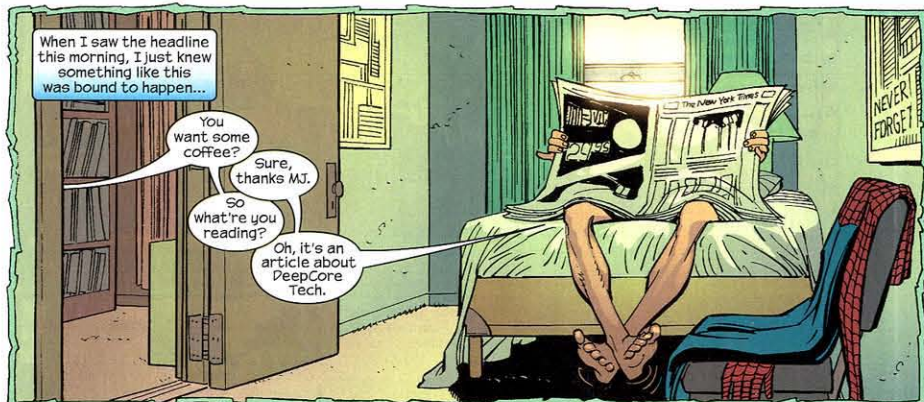
SHUDDUP!

Leave me alone! Stop following me!

Well, there's one chimney that will never threaten us again.

Have to find some way to put this guy down before he tears up half the city. Question is, how?







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**this** →  
until you see the  
hidden words or  
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If this doesn't turn LOCO! then **CRASHY** **tongue** and **CRASHY** **foot** will.





But smart and this guy dine at separate tables.

This oughta slow you down!



Thing is, you don't have to be smart to be able to hurt people.

NO!



Just one chance... have to blow out a whole cartridge to catch it all.



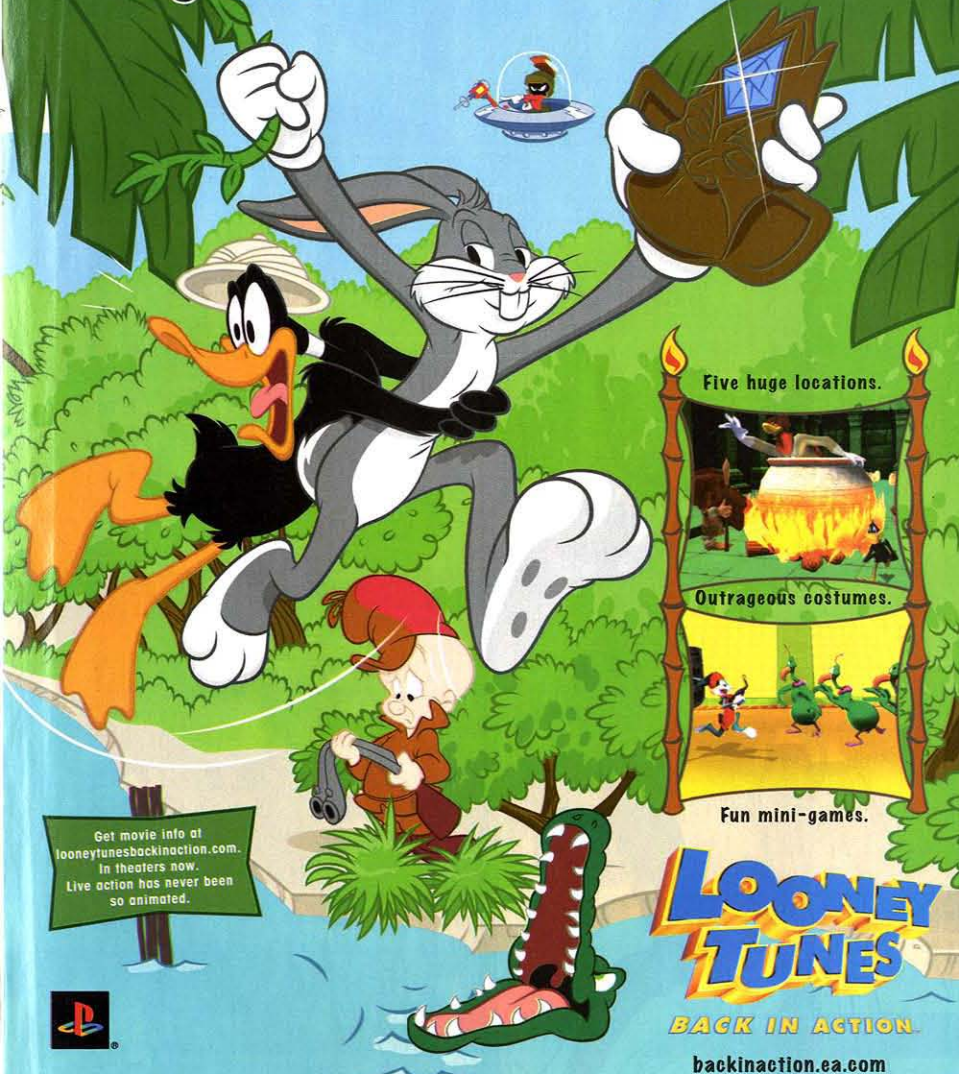
Got it!



You know, in any other situation, this might look kind of bad.



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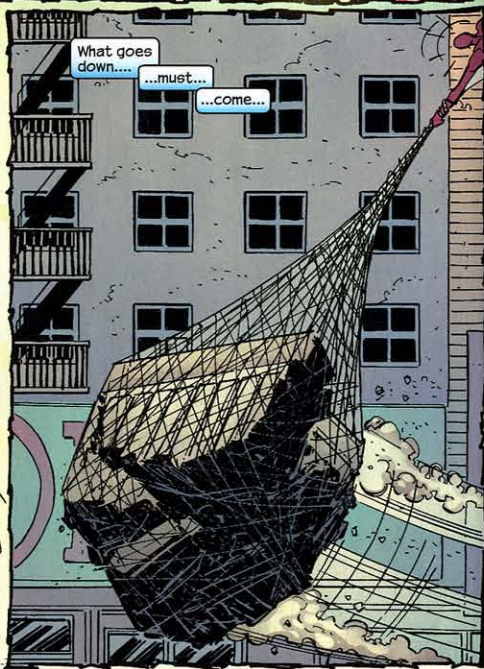
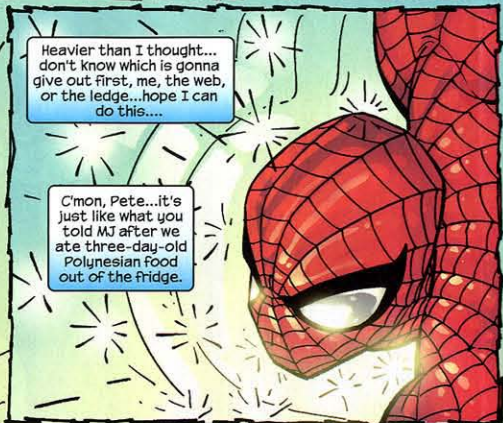
--Spider-M--

--OW!

Heavier than I thought...  
don't know which is gonna  
give out first, me, the web,  
or the ledge...hope I can  
do this....

C'mon, Pete...it's  
just like what you  
told MJ after we  
ate three-day-old  
Polynesian food  
out of the fridge.

Unnngh!



What goes  
down....

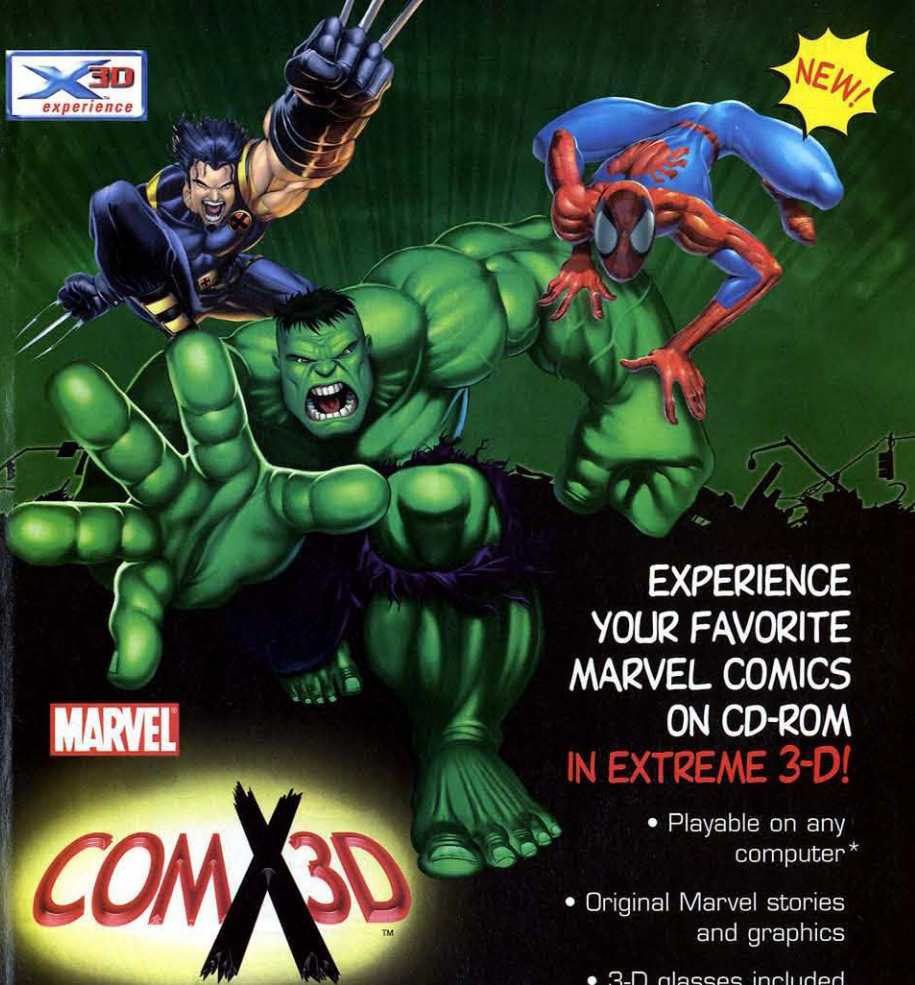
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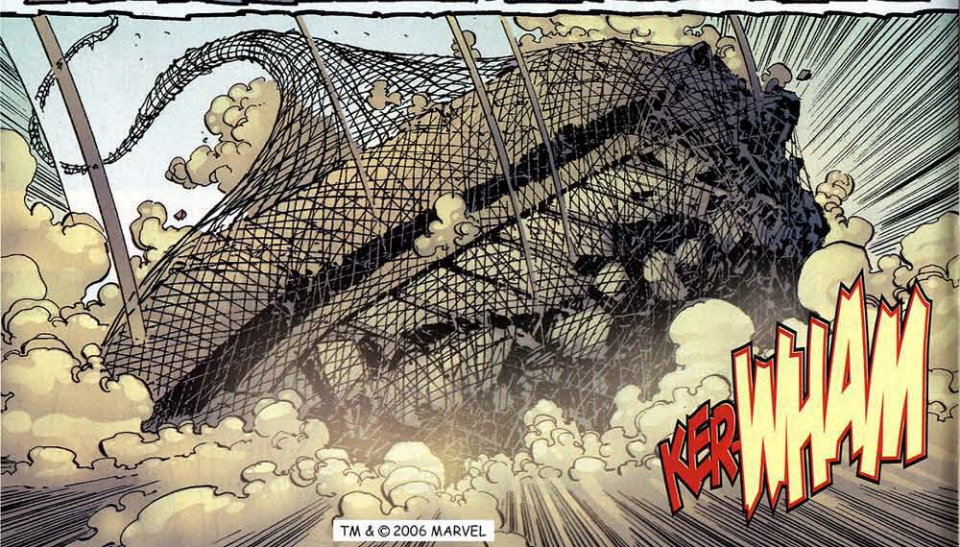
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Huh... news didn't say anything about an eclipse today...





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AAAAAHHH!

Feels like he's tearing me apart from the inside out!

G-can't control my m-muscles... spasming... got to get clear, g-got to get--

Clear!

I knew then that this guy was gonna be trouble. He could even vibrate my webbing right off that suit.

So let's hope this did it, or--

BOOM! BOOM! BOOM! BOOM!

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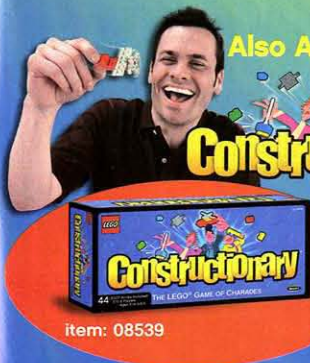
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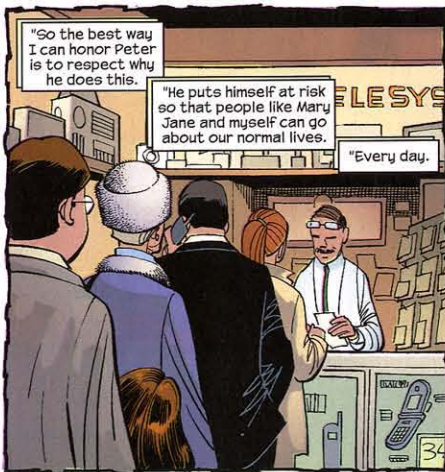
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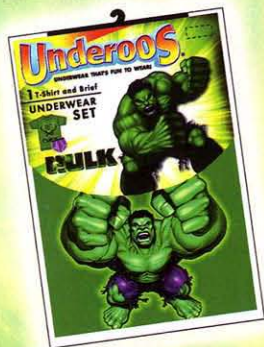


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You got one last chance to get outta here before I disburse your moleculars all over the place!

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Wait a minute...

That's it. That's it!



So, ya decided to leave?

Something like that.







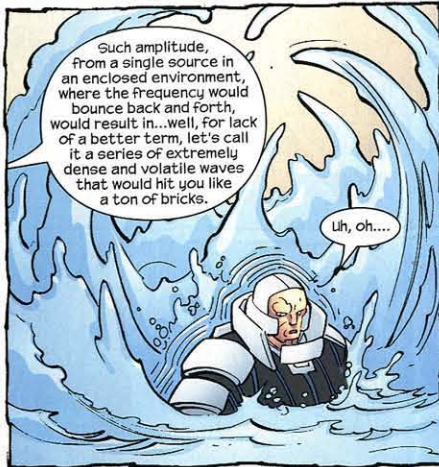


If you think this is gonna stop me by messing up the suit, forget it; the guys that made it made sure it was waterproof.

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I'm giving a science lesson.

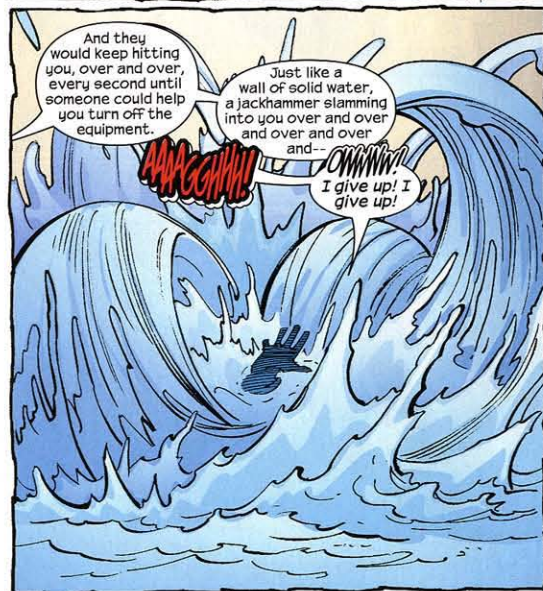


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Such amplitude, from a single source in an enclosed environment, where the frequency would bounce back and forth, would result in...well, for lack of a better term, let's call it a series of extremely dense and volatile waves that would hit you like a ton of bricks.

Uh, oh....



And they would keep hitting you, over and over, every second until someone could help you turn off the equipment.

Just like a wall of solid water, a jackhammer slamming into you over and over and over and—

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I still worry about him, now more than ever, and I still try to look after him, as much as he'll let me, and there are times it's so hard to accept *what he is--*

But never *who* he is. Never that.

BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP



If you'll excuse me a moment--

BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP



Hello?

May? Hey, MJ told me you got a cell phone. I wanted to be the first one to call you. Any trouble with the store?

No, Peter, no trouble at all.



Terrific. Listen, you want to get together with MJ and me for dinner and a movie? It's Saturday night, after all, and a hot babe like you should be out on the town.

I'd love to. Thank you, Peter.



Great, I'll pick you up at seven, if you'll be done with your usual mysterious Saturday walk by then.

Nothing mysterious about it at all, Peter. I'm just saying hello to some friends.

See you at seven.



Well, I have to go. I'll come by again next week.



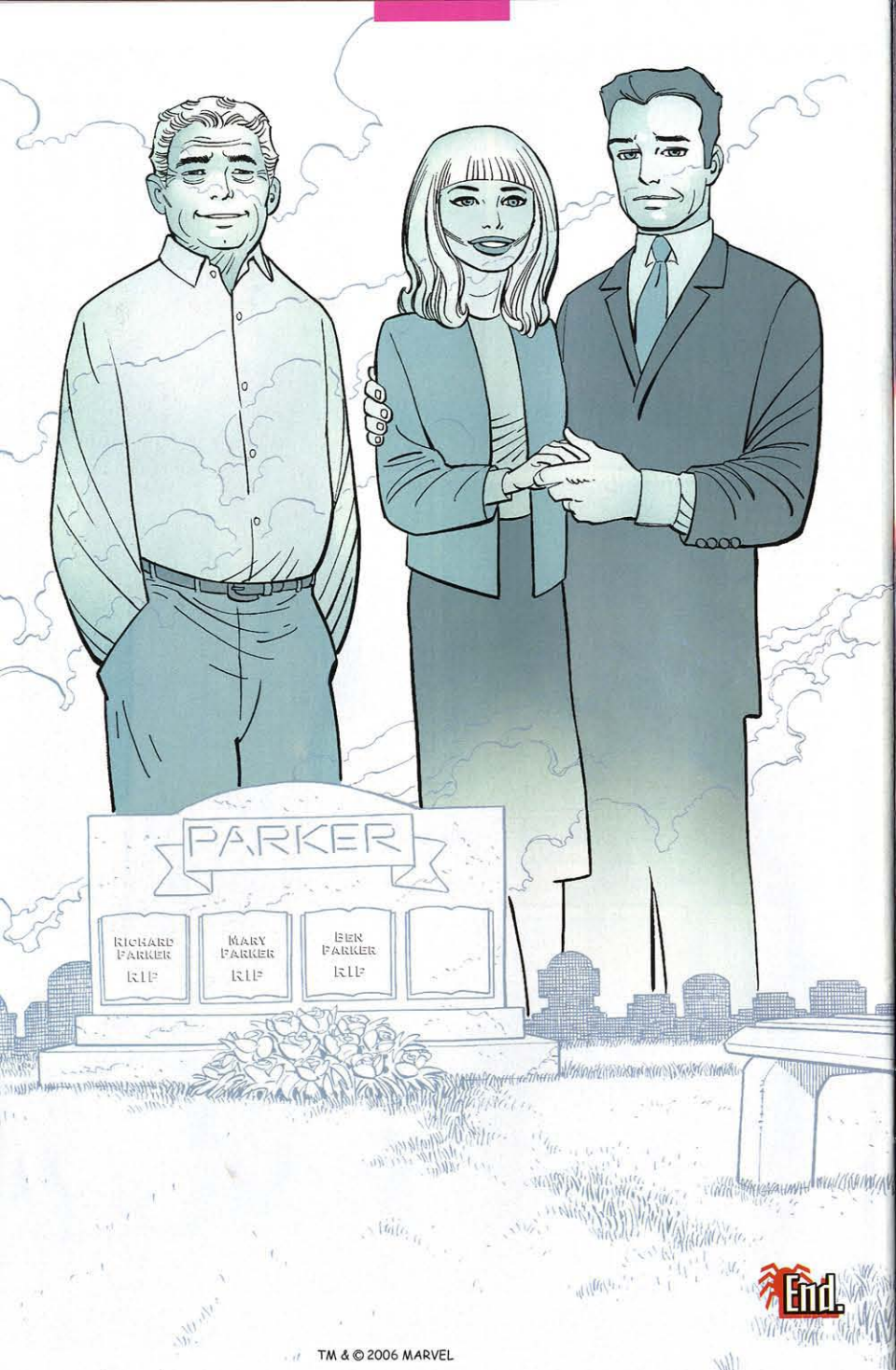


Good  
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PARKER

RICHARD PARKER RIP	MARY PARKER RIP	BEN. PARKER RIP	
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