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# Ben 10: Evolutions

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#### **TEASER**

A SERIES OF ANGLES

Beginning with a stock Photo of EARTH FROM SPACE.

1 JIMMY (V.O.)

(filtered)

The aliens are already among us...

They're all REUSE, perhaps doctored to look less slick. Try to make them all single angle.

GOOP deforms himself.

HUMONGOUSAUR smashes something.

A blurry, still photo of WILDMUTT (REUSE from original series). Ken Burns across it, like a doccumentary filmaker pretending there's some action.

A short clip of SWAMPFIRE, making giant vines do his bidding.

A still of BRAINSTORM.

ECHO ECHO multiplies.

2 JIMMY (V.O.)

(filtered)

Strange creatures, with unbelievable powers...

JETRAY flies above, the camera struggles to find focus and keep him in view.

KEVIN, in Alien Force season 3 Monster Form, uses a hammer hand to smash something.

CANNONBOLT rolls up and rolls off.

3 JIMMY

(filtered)

Aliens are real. But that isn't the amazing part, this is:

A rapid series of stills, ALL of Ben's transformtions (except for Alien X), plus Kevin's monster form, and a couple of randomly-distributed red herrings (The Dragon, Argit and Heatblast II) dissolve from one to the next.

4 JIMMY

(filtered)

All of the creatures you've just seen are actually alter-egos of one man...

The final image is a still of BEN TENNYSON, looking up at a camera, surprised and a bit goofy.

JIMMY (V.O.)

(filtered)

... His name is Ben Tennyson.

WIDE

To reveal that Kevin, Ben, and GWEN have been watching TV.

6 KEVIN

You are so busted.

BACK ON THE TV

The image of Ben holds as we...

FADE OUT.

END OF TEASER

ACT ONE

FADE IN:

# INT. BEN'S LIVING ROOM - DAY

ON THE TV MONITOR. A freeze-frame of the last image of the teaser: Ben Tennyson looking up at a camera, surprised and a bit goofy.

Ben frowns at the TV.

9 BEN

That's not my best angle.

Gwen changes the channel several times with the REMOTE. We see:

HUMONGOUSAUR with his foot stuck in a car he stepped on, he's hopping around trying to shake the car off like a kid trying to remove a rubber bootie.

Gwen frowns, pursing her lips, and changes the channel again. We see:

RATH falling out of the air from high above, it's like the Hulk coming in for a landing on a long leap. He lands on a FREEWAY OVERPASS. And plows right THROUGH it, demolishing it into a pile of rubble as he lands on the road below.

10 GWEN

Every channel, Ben. All weekend. Nothing but you wrecking things. And they know who you are!

11 BEN

Nobody <u>cares</u> if I'm a super hero.

12 KEVIN

(helpfully)

Super menace.

Ben opens the door. There's a dozen PAPARAZZI right there, all reacting by pointing cameras and microphones at him. He's blinded by the camera FLASHES.

13 PAPARAZZI

(WALLA: "Ben Tennyson!"/"Ben 10!"/I"s it true?"/"Are you an alien monster?"/"Do you want to take over the Earth?"/et cetera)

Ben shuts the door in their faces, shutting out the noise

14 BEN Okay, maybe a  $\underline{\text{few}}$  people care.

15 KEVIN
You should lie low for a while.
Maybe go to Julie's.

Gwen peeks out the curtains and frowns as she looks out the window at the Paparrazzi.

Good idea, but how do you get past them?

Ben grins, disconcertingly.

# EXT. BEN'S HOUSE - DAY

The front door OPENS, and Ben comes outside. The paparazzi leap into action, crowding Ben, taking pictures and pushing camera's and microphones into his face.

17 PAPARAZZI

(excited WALLA: "There he is!"/

"Ben Tennyson!"/ "Mr. Tennyson, do
you have a statement?")

Ben reaches over and takes one of the Microphones.

18 BEN
Yeah: It's hero time!

Ben ACTIVATES his Ultimatrix, TRANSFORMS into HUMONGOUSAUR and ROARS. We should try to get the transforming Ben/Humongousaur and the stunned Paparazi into a single shot at least once for Promo.

19 HUMONGOUSAUR Humongousaur! <ROARS!>

The Paparazzi panic and FLEE for their lives.

20 PAPARAZZI

(SCREAMS and WALLA: "Run!"/ "He's a

Monster!")

As the last of the Paparazzi disperse, Gwen and Kevin walk out the front door.

21 HUMONGOUSAUR (ROARS, then COUGHS)

Humongousaur REVERTS to Ben, still coughing.

22 BEN (Coughs)

Still looking at the fleeing press corps, Ben puts out a hand.

BEN
Hey, Gwen? You got a lozenge?
Growling's rough on my throat.

Gwen hands him one, he takes it without looking.

You should have used one of your new Ultimate transformations.

Ben frowns.

25 BEN
I wanted to scare them, not me.

25 A GWEN
You have to admit, Kevin, the new transformations are pretty--

She hugs herself and mimes a SHIVER

25 B GWEN --brrrrr!

# INT. JULIE'S LIVINGROOM - DAY

Ben and Julie are in the living room. They are eating fresh Popcorn from a big bowl.

26 BEN
Thanks for letting me hang out,
Julie.

27 JULIE

I have to go to tennis practice in an hour, but you can stay here until I get back.

They both hop on the couch. Julie turns on the TV.

28 BEN

Cable news?

29 JULIE

Extra credit for AP Current Events.

She looks at the screen and pouts.

30 JULIE

Ooh! This guy hates you.

ON THE MONITOR

THE WILL HARANGUE NATION

It's a cable news editorial show, a middle-aged white guy in a suit, at a desk. He's generally pretty upset. His video backdrop changes from his show logo to the picture of Ben looking stupid.

31 HARANGUE

...welcome back to the Will Harangue Nation. Our top story? It's gotta be Ben Tennyson, a 16 year-old high school student who has been outed as a one-man -or should I say boy? - alien invasion.

32 BEN

Why does everybody use that picture?

33 JULIE

You look <u>cute</u> in that one.

34 BEN

(relaxing)

Really?

35 JULIE

Yes! Sweet and goofy.

36 BEN

(low growl)

#### ON THE MONITOR

A series of images of Ben's aliens in action. REUSE very short clips from PIER PRESSURE, WHAT ARE LITTLE GIRLS MADE OF?, BE-KNIGHTED, PLUMBERS HELPERS, and SAVE THE LAST DANCE (all episodes where a Ben Transformation destroyed something in public). Loop the clips behind Harangue.

37 HARANGUE (V.O.)

...footage gathered over the past year, but only now do we understand that all of these seemingly unconnected attacks--

Ben is apoplectic.

38 BEN

(overlapping)

Attacks!?

39 HARANGUE

--were the work of Ben Tennyson, in his various alien disguises, for who knows what sinister purpose?

40 BEN

How about saving the whole, entire universe? How's that for sinister?

#### ON THE MONITOR

Harangue gets serious as the graphics change for his special segment, "Threat or Menace."

41 HARANGUE

Unbelievably, some people defend the actions of Tennyson, claiming he's some kind of superhero. Obviously ridiculous, but that's not for me to say. No, I leave that to you the viewer in tonight's poll: "Ben Tennyson: Threat, or menace?" Call in with your vote-- Looking at Ben's reaction, Julie frowns and shuts off the TV. Ben pouts, reaching for the remote. Julie holds the remote away from him and changes the subject.

JULIE

It's too nice a day to sit inside watching TV. Why don't we go for a drive in your new car? That always cheers you up!

BEN
I don't need cheering up. I'm not upset.

Julie peers at him, genuinely perplexed.

JULIE
Why not? Everybody hates you.

# EXT./INT. BEN'S CAR - DAY

Ben is driving, Julie riding shotgun.

Maybe it's for the best. Maybe I can do more good as a public superhero than I did in secret. Sure, most people think I'm a menace now--

JULIE
Only 26% of adult viewers think
you're a menace.

47 BEN See? That's not bad--

JULIE
(interrupting)
74% think you're a threat.

My point is, once people get to know me, I can win them over.

JULIE
That hasn't been my experience...

#### EXT. BEN'S CAR - DAY

Suddenly, Ben's car is cut off by KEVIN'S. Ben stops his car. The boys stick their heads out of their windows and talk. Gwen is riding shotgun with Kevin.

51 BEN

What's the emergency?

52 KEVIN

Sometimes I think the only reason you guys used to hang out with me was because I was the one who could drive.

53 BEN

(considering it)

Maybe at <u>first</u>...

54 GWEN

Ben!

Kevin doesn't notice.

55 KEVIN

While you guys have been moping around, and hiding from reporters, I've been working, looking for a real problem.

56 JULIE

Real problem?

57 KEVIN

You know, something we can hit.

58 GWEN

Ah.

59 KEVIN

I found the guy who figured out your secret ID, then blabbed it all over the internet. I say we go give him a piece of our mind.

Ben punches his open palm, threateningly.

60 BEN

Best idea I've heard all day.

#### EXT. JIMMY JONES' HOUSE - NIGHT

Ben, Kevin and Gwen approach an ominous, suburban house.

61 GWEN

(whispers)

Julie is the only one of us with any common sense.

62 BEN

(whispers)

She stayed back in Bellwood.

63 GWEN

(whispers)

That's what I just said.

All react as the porchlight flickers and BURNS OUT. Startled Ben CRIES OUT.

64 BEN

AHH--mmmph!

Kevin clamps a hand over Ben's mouth.

65 KEVIN

Shhh!

66 BEN

(whispering)

Why are we whispering, anyway?

67 KEVIN

(whispering)

Because the guy in there's the <u>mastermind</u>. We gotta be ready for anything!

Gwen rolls her eyes and (KNOCKS) on the door.

68 KEVIN

What are you doing?

Kevin touches the door and ARMORS UP. ALUMINUM KEVIN is ready for anything.

The DOOR OPENS, revealing a woman in her early thirties, it's MRS. JONES. She takes a look at her visitor, lingering on Ben's Jacket. Now she gets it.

69 MRS. JONES

You must be friends of James.

(shouting)

Jiiiiiiimmmmmy!

70 JIMMY (O.S.)

I'm coming, mom!

We hear him before we see him, (CLOMPING) down the stairs.

All react to JIMMY JONES, a ten year-old boy wearing a crude facsimile of Ben's Jacket over a copy of his old white with black stripe shirt.

71 GWEN

That's your mastermind?

Jimmy is excited to see Ben.

72 JIMMY

Ben Tennyson! I'm Jimmy Jones,
great to meet you!

Off Ben's puzzled expression we:

FADE OUT.

END OF ACT ONE

# ACT TWO

FADE IN:

# INT. JIMMY'S ROOM - NIGHT

Jimmy leads the way, a bewildered Ben, Kevin and Gwen follow. It's the bedroom of a 10 year-old Fox Mulder. Gwen looks at the walls, covered with blurry photos of Ben's transformations.

Kevin's impatient, he grabs the little kid by the lapels and leans into his face, threateningly.

73 KEVIN

Why did you do this to Ben?

74 JIMMY

I don't understand? Do what?

75 KEVIN

Ruin his life!

76 JIMMY

I would never do anything to hurt Mr. Tennyson. I'm a <a href="fan:1">fan!</a>

Kevin lifts Jimmy off of his feet.

77 JIMMY

(gasps)

78 GWEN

That's enough, Kevin. Put him down
and let him talk!

Kevin drops Jimmy on the bed.

79 KEVIN

(snarls)

Jimmy's eyes are welling up.

80 JIMMY

(snif)

81 KEVIN

Dude. You are not going to cry.

82 GWEN

Stop being mean, Kevin. Seriously.

83 KEVIN

Whatever.

84 JIMMY

I'm sorry, Mr. Tennyson.

Ben gives Jimmy a tissue.

85 BEN

Why did you post that video?

The computer on his desk is open to his website.

86 JIMMY

I run a web site.

Jimmy indicates the laptop on his desk, already open to his site.

87 JIMMY

I collect pictures of aliens that people have taken all over the world. I noticed that a lot of them came from Bellwood.

Jimmy clicks his mouse pad, showing several pictures of Ben's transformations.

89 JIMMY

So I started sorting the pictures. Lots of them were wearing this symbol.

He indicates an Omnitrix clearly visible on the alien in two separate pictures.

90 GWEN

And you pieced together Ben's identity from a picture of him wearing the Omnitrix.

Ben looks sheepishly at the Ultimatrix on his wrist.

91 JIMMY
Yeah! I found stories all over the internet about how you helped

people and saved the world.

Jimmy is earnest.

92 JIMMY

I just thought everybody should know how cool you are.

93 GWEN

We know you were trying to help, but by revealing Ben's secret, you've made it harder for him to help people.

93 A GWEN ALT

We know you were trying to help, but by revealing Ben's secret, you've made everything harder for him.

94 JIMMY

I'm sorry. I thought you'd like the fame. You know, all the attention and money.

Ben and Kevin focus on the positives.

95 BEN

Attention?

96 KEVIN

Money?

97 GWEN

(exasperated)

Why don't you show us what you've learned?

Jimmy points to blurry PHOTOS tacked on the walls as he talks.

98 JIMMY

I've got pictures of a lot of your alien forms, Humongousaur...
Goop... Jeffery...

99 BEN

"Jeffery"? You thought I named one of my aliens "Jeffery"? It's "Jetray."

100 JIMMY

That does make more sense...

Gwen is ignoring all this, peering at a photo on the wall.

#### ON THE PHOTO

It's a blurry, too dark picture of BIVALVAN (actually, he's going to be one of Ben's new transformations, but that's later).

101 GWEN Who is this one?

102 JIMMY

I thought it was Mr. Tennyson! It just showed up a few months ago.

Jimmy types on his computer and a map of CENTRAL FLORDA shows up. There are several blue dots clustered on the map.

103 JIMMY

All of the sightings have been in Orlando. Hang on, I've got some video...

A few keystrokes and the screen shows: NASA SECURITY FOOTAGE

#### INTERIOR ORION HANGAR - NIGHT

No need to establish the space, it's a security video, but we're coming back here later.

WELL-ARMED, NASA SECURITY GUARDS are firing their ENERGY PISTOLS at something off camera. Now we see it, it's Bivalvan.

The laser blasts bounce off, then Bivalvan unleashes firehoselike blasts of water from his hands that wash the guards away. He notices the camera, and shoots water right at us. The screen goes to STATIC.

BACK ON BEN looking at the screen.

104 BEN

No sound?

105 JIMMY

I was lucky to get the pictures, it's top-secret.

Grinning Ben looks at Gwen and Kevin.

106 BEN

Road trip?

107 GWEN

We can borrow Ship from Julie.

108 KEVIN

Don't have to. We'll take the

Rustbucket.

109 BEN

You want to drive all the way to

Florida?

110 KEVIN

Not that Rustbucket, the new one.

Gwen and Ben look at each other, confused.

#### EXT. AIRPLANE GRAVEYARD - DAY

Ben and Gwen are in Ben's car, driving through the broken airplanes. Hidden in plain sight among the wrecks is RUSTBUCKET III, the coolest VTOL plane/spaceship you've ever seen, painted in Ben 10 green.

111 BEN

Whoa!

Gwen's Badge lights up. It's Kevin on the radio.

112 KEVIN (V.O.)
Nice, huh?--

IN THE RUSTBUCKET'S COCKPIT

It's Kevin, talking into his badge.

improvements.

113 KEVIN
--It was a standard Plumber-issue ship, but I've made some

The back of the Rustbucket opens and Ben's car drives towards it. Ben's car goes right up into the cargo hold.

#### INT. RUSTBUCKET III - COCKPIT

Impressed Ben and Gwen enter the super high tech cockpit. Kevin's already in the pilot's seat.

114 BEN Specs?

115 KEVIN

Supersonic in atmosphere, subspace hyperdrive for effective FTL. Bonus gizmos I've acquired here and there.

116 BEN

Sweet. This is going to be the coolest thing I ever crashed.

While the boys geek out, Gwen sits at a console and instantly Googles up info on the attacks.

117 GWEN

Extranet access! We can use our Plumber's Badges to access any database on Earth, even secure ones.

118 BEN

(to Gwen)

Boring.

(to Kevin)

Make it go.

#### EXT. RUSTBUCKET - DAY

The VTOL wings rotate, the Rustbucket zooms straight up into the air, then roars off.

# INT. RUSTBUCKET III - COCKPIT

Gwen is reading from her console.

119 GWEN

I found the source of the video. Security cameras in a top secret NASA facility. I'm sending you the coordinates, Kevin.

120 KEVIN

Got em. We'll be there in two minutes.

Kevin pulls the yoke, adjusting the flightpath. Gwen is surprised by what she's reading.

121 GWEN

According to this, they're building a starship.

122 KEVIN

About time. Earth tech is so primitive I'm embarrassed to tell my friends I'm from here.

All react to an <ALARM> from a RADAR MONITOR, three blips, heading this way.

123 KEVIN

Trouble. We're flying into restricted air space.

# EXT./INT. RUSTBUCKET III - CONTINUOUS

THREE FIGHTER JETS, in close formation. The lead Fighter Jet fires a ROCKET at the Rustbucket.

124 KEVIN

Incoming!

Kevin pulls the yoke and avoids the missile, but has a little trouble with the next three. The Rustbucket avoids two of the missiles but is HIT by the third, and SHUDDERS with the impact.

125 BEN/GWEN/KEVIN

(impacts)

126 KEVIN

This is a brand-new paint job!

Kevin flips up his trigger quard and FIRES.

THE RUSTBUCKET

Fires a THICK, PULSATING ENERGY BEAM. The beam sweeps the sky until it hits one of the Fighter Jets, CUTTING IT IN HALF.

The Pilot EJECTS from the plane, moments before both halves EXPLODE.

127 GWEN

Kevin! Those guys are on our side.
You can't shoot at them!

128 KEVIN

No harm done, he ejected --

Kevin glances at a monitor, whoops.

129 KEVIN

--and his parachute is only a little on fire.

ON THE PILOT

It's true, his parachute is burning. Now it's gone, he's in freefall.

IN THE RUSTBUCKET

Ben's on his feet, standing by the door.

130 BEN

Open it.

Kevin hits a control and the door opens. Ben steps through it and disappears!

OUTSIDE

Ben is dropping like a rock, a tiny figure, dropping out of the sky.

Closer on Ben, calm as he ACTIVATES the Ultimatrix. Ben, in freefall, TRANSFORMS into JETRAY.

131 JETRAY

Jetray!

Jetray gains control of his flight and zooms down towards the falling pilot. Jetray almost grabs the pilot, but the two remaining planes strafe him, trying to "protect" the pilot. Jetray dodges the fire, but it catches up with him, striking him.

132 JETRAY (Impact)

FIGHTER PLANE'S POV

Injured Jetray is in the pilot's crosshairs. Suddenly, Jetray has VANISHED from Pilot's POV!

133 PILOT #2
He's gone!

ON THE TWO REMAINING JETS

Flying side-by side.

PILOT #3 (V.O.)
I don't see him either, I--

135 PILOT #2 (V.O.)
There he is! There he--

Jetray RISES triumphantly between the two Jets and uses his ENERGY BEAMS to disarm, but not destroy them.

Jetray power-dives and catches the pilot, seconds from a fatal impact.

136 JETRAY I got you!

137 FALLING PILOT (impact)

JetRay carries the pilot safely to, only to find himself surrounded by armed and irritated soldiers.

138 JETRAY

Um, take me to your leader?

139 SOLDIER

If you so much as twitch, you're going down.

140 JETRAY

Easy, guys--

Jetray raises his hands and REVERTS to cocky Ben, hands still raised.

141 BEN

--I'm the famous Ben Tennyson. I'm a superhero. You <u>have</u> heard of me, right?

Ben smiles, winningly.

# INT. PRISON CELL - DAY

Sulking Ben is behind bars.

142 BEN

I'm pretty sure I'm supposed to get a phone call!

Gwen, Kevin and a COLONEL arrive, walking down the corridor towards him.

143 COLONEL

(to quard)

Let him out.

The guard opens the bars.

144 BEN

How'd you...?

Gwen shows her Plumber's badge.

145 GWEN

We showed him these.

146 COLONEL

Even though the Plumbers are secret, every government on Earth recognizes your authority in these matters.

147 KEVIN

Turns out NASA has a problem.

148 COLONEL

A problem I understand is right up your alley

#### EXT. THE MAIN HANGAR - DAY

Establishing the huge top-secret NASA compound. There on the Ocean, with several empty launch pads, and one pad with a space shuttle on it, ready for take off. Our attention is on the HANGAR, though, a huge building.

#### INT. THE MAIN HANGAR - DAY

The Colonel, Ben, Gwen and Kevin are looking at ORION, Earth's first Starship.

149 COLONEL

It's called the Orion. It's capable of travelling at 15% of the speed of light.

150 KEVIN

(whistles) How?

151 COLONEL

Nuclear pulse drive. Once clear of the Earth, a series of atomic bombs explode, propelling it through space.

152 BEN

Whoa.

153 COLONEL

We've been building her for over 50 years. But now, only months from completion, a series of robberies has practically shut us down.

154 GWEN

Robberies?

155 COLONEL

A creature comes in here every night and steals pieces of the ship. Nothing we've tried can stop it. I'm hoping maybe you people'll have more luck.

# EXT. THE MAIN HANGAR - NIGHT

A thin line of PINK ENERGY disturbs the ground around the facility, it's drawing a BIG CIRCLE around the place. As we watch, it VANISHES.

# INT. THE MAIN HANGAR - NIGHT

Close on Gwen's Eyes, they glow pink with energy for a moment, then flash back to normal. She looks up at Ben and Kevin.

156 GWEN Okay, done.

They're in the RAFTERS, looking down on the ship. It's a stake out.

157 GWEN

If anything crosses the mystic barrier, I'll know it.

#### EXT. OCEAN - NIGHT

Bivalvan rises from the water, like the creature from the Black Lagoon.

BACK INSIDE

The outer wall EXPLODES inward, punched open by Bivalvan.

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Gwen makes ENERGY PLANES and heads down to the floor, followed by Kevin. Ben is distracted by his Ultimatrix, which is flashing YELLOW.

159 ULTIMATRIX
Uncataloged DNA detected.

Ben slaps the Ultimatrix, but nothing happens.

160 ULTIMATRIX
Function not available. Please stand bv...

Ben slaps his Ultimatrix several times. No effect.

ON THE GROUND

Gwen and Kevin challenge the creature, which by now has an arm full of high-tech stuff it's scavenged.

161 KEVIN
We can't let you leave unless you show us a receipt.

Kevin crouches to touch the concrete floor. He TRANSFORMS into CONCRETE KEVIN, and raises his fist, which turns into a SPIKED MACE.

Gwen grabs Bivalvin in an ENERGY FIELD, pinning his arms. Kevin clocks Bivalvin with a big blow, sending him flying.

162 BIVALVAN (two impacts)

Bivalvan smashes into a bank of machinery so hard that he's imbedded in them. Kevin and Gwen stand over him.

163 GWEN Who are you? What do you--

Bivalvan blasts Kevin and Gwen point blank with a jet of water like a firehose, it propels them through the air, and they crash into a stack of wooden crates. Gwen throws up a FORCE FIELD right before impact, but it's not fully-formed, and it SHATTERS on impact.

164 KEVIN/GWEN

Ahhhh! (impacts, keep alives)

They're down and dazed. Bivalvan stalks them, then raises his claw hand high. He's about to take them out when he turns his head towards the sound from above.

It's Ben, holding a cable as he stands in the rafters, more heroic than Errol Flynn.

165 BEN

Hey, Seafood salad! Over here!
(attack yell)

Ben is swinging down from the rafters on his cable like Spider-Man. He extends his feet as he swings down, planting them right in Bivalvan' chest.

166 BEN

(impact)

Bivalvan is completely unaffected by the impact. Ben bounces off and tumbles head over heels onto the floor.

167 BEN

(impacts)

Groggy Ben tries to sit up.

168 BEN

In my head, that worked a lot better in my head.

169 BIVALVAN

(ROAR of anger)

The creature stalks towards Ben. Ben slaps the Ultimatrix, but nothing happens.

170 ULTIMATRIX

<REPRINT LINE 160>

Function not available. Please

stand by...

Bivalvan is reaching out for him.

171 BEN Aw, man!

FADE OUT

END OF ACT TWO

#### ACT THREE

FADE IN:

#### INT. THE MAIN HANGAR - NIGHT

Moments later, a threatening Bivalvan faces off with Ben, who is still frantically -and futilely- pressing the Ultimatrix.

172 BEN

I don't suppose you want to talk about this?

Bivalvan SWATS Ben aside.

173 BEN

(impact)

Bivalvan turns and begins gathering up the tech he dropped earlier.

The Ultimatrix glows solid YELLOW and fires a SCANNING BEAM at Bivalvan. The beam sweeps over Bivalvan, who flinches at first, but then realizes it isn't hurting him. Where the beam touches him, it gives a cutaway view of Bivalvan' internal organs. This all takes less than two seconds.

174 ULTIMATRIX

Unknown DNA sample acquired. Scan complete.

175 BIVALVAN

What did you do?

176 BEN

Oh, now you want to talk.

The Ultimatrix dial turns GREEN. Ben ACTIVATES the Ultimatrix and TRANSFORMS into CHROMASTONE.

177 CHROMASTONE

Chromastone! Wasn't even sure I still had this one.

Chromastone blasts Bivalvan with a RAINBOW BEAM

178 BIVALVAN (impacts)

(Impaces

Bivalvan blasts WATER out of both hands, right at the floor in front of him. The swirling water forms a TIDAL WAVE that sweeps across the floor right at Chromastone.

179 CHROMASTONE
You gotta be <u>kidding</u> m--

Chromastone is swept off of his feet and across the room, finally dumping him in an electrical power coupling. Chromastone is trapped in a huge ELECTRICAL ARC.

180 CHROMASTONE (sustained, pained CRY)

We can see him GLOWING as he tries to absorb all of the power. But it's too much, as the electricity stops, Chromastone pitches backwards into the puddle at his feet, unconscious.

181 CHROMASTONE (keep alive)

FADE TO BLACK

#### INT. THE MAIN HANGAR - NIGHT

Time cut. Everything's still black, this is Ben's POV. Ben's eyes open, Gwen, Kevin and the Colonel are looking down at him, blurry at first, but a blink later they're back in focus.

182 GWEN
Ben? Are you okay?

Wide to reveal Ben is in the same position that Chromastone was in when he passed out. Ben sits up.

183 BEN (MOANS, then SPITS)

Ben (SPITS) out a mouthful of water.

184 COLONEL

We've got a big problem, Son. The first few times that thing came here it stole shielding, a control system, timing sequencers...

185 GWEN

But this time?

186 COLONEL

This time he took the engine.

187 BEN

And by engine, you mean...

188 COLONEL

A nuclear bomb. Yes.

# INT. RUSTBUCKET III COCKPIT - NIGHT

Ben is impatient, dialing through his Ultimatrix as Gwen and Kevin work at Gwen's console.

189 BEN

C'mon guys, anything? You've been at this for--

190 KEVIN

Fifteen minutes. And yeah, we found the bomb. It looks like it's underwater.

191 GWEN

I can get us there.

# EXT. OCEAN - NIGHT

Safe inside of Gwen's ENERGY SPHERE, the Kids roll off the coast, and into the murky lake waters. They disappear beneath the waves.

# EXT. THE UNDERWATER CAVE, NIGHT

The blackness is lit by the faint GLOW of the energy sphere. They move towards the CAVE OPENING ahead.

#### INT. THE UNDERWATER CAVE - DAY

The kids roll out of the water and into the creepy and dark cave. Gwen drops the Energy Sphere. There's atmosphere in here. Moving quietly, the kids sneak up on Arthopius, who is using on end of a huge POWER CABLE to ARC-WELD the nuclear bomb into a large metal structure, his SHIP: (it's the same model the aliens in "Unearthed" used).

192 BEN

(sotto voce)

Now I get it. He's doing the same thing you always do, Kevin.

193 KEVIN

(sotto voce)

Stealing?

Ben steps out into the light, and Bivalvan' view.

194 BEN

I think he's just trying to <u>fix</u> up his ship. Am I right?

Bivalvan is still arc-welding.

195 BIVALVAN

You are correct. Now leave me be, I want to go home, and I am two minutes from launch.

Bivalvan hits a switch and a TIMER begins counting backwards from 02:00.

196 GWEN

If you launch your ship, the explosion will destroy all of Central Florida!

197 BIVALVAN

I'm not sure I see your point.

198 KEVIN

Killing a couple million people isn't cool.

199 BEN

We can't let you do it.

200 KEVIN

> Also, there's some good theme parks here.

201 BIVALVAN

You would stand in my way?

Bivalvan TOSSES the POWER CABLE at the Kids, Ben dodges left, Gwen throws up a SHIELD over her and Kevin, The Cable lands on top of it, SURGING WITH ENERGY. SPARKS roll down the sides of the shield and CRACKLE when they hit the ground.

201a **GWEN** 

<Throwing effort>

**GWEN** 202

> That cable's live. If I drop the shield, it'll fry us.

Ben ACTIVATES the Ultimatrix and TRANSFORMS into SPIDER-MONKEY.

203 SPIDERMONKEY

SpiderMonkey!

Spider-Monkey reaches for the cable.

KEVIN 204

Don't touch it!

GWEN 205

Stop the clam-guy, we'll think of

something.

206 KEVIN

We will?

SPIDERMONKEY 207

A face full of web oughta slow you

down...

SpiderMonkey FIRES a Webline at Bivalvan, who CATCHES it and yanks SpiderMonkey towards him, right into a PUNCH.

208 SPIDERMONKEY

Ahh! (2 impacts)

SpiderMonkey skids backwards on the floor, right on his butt. Bivalvan FIRES his waterblast, but SpiderMonkey's too fast, he DODGES, the water knocks a chip out of the concrete floor where it hits.

209 BIVALVAN

There is <u>nothing</u> you can do to stop me.

Bivalvan heads for his ship.

210 SPIDERMONKEY

Maybe not <u>me</u>. But my new Ultimatrix comes with some new features. There's a time to go hero, and a time to go Ultimate!

COOL TRANSFORMATION SEQUENCE

SpiderMonkey taps the Omnitrix symbol on his chest and begins a spectacular TRANSFORMATION. The Omnitrix grows metal tentacles in an "X" pattern, Spidermonkey grows bigger and stronger, until he looks like a gorilla, then the gorilla grows giant spider legs that lift him off the ground. He is now ULTIMATE SPIDERMONKEY! He pounds his chest and roars!

211 ULTIMATE SPIDERMONKEY
Ultimate SpiderMonkey! (ROARS)

Ultimate Spidermonkey and Bivalvan TRADE PUNCHES. Ultimate SpiderMonkey isn't phased, Bivalvan is knocked down.

212 BIVALVAN (Impact)

Bivalvan begins firing short bursts of water at Ultimate SpiderMonkey, who dodges them, respecting their destructive power.

GWEN AND KEVIN

Begin WALKING Gwen's Energy Sphere out from under the power cable, the cable FALLS FREE of them and Gwen DROPS the shield.

ULTIMATE SPIDERMONKEY

Gets close enough to grab Bivalvan around the wait with both hands. He rises up on his legs, carrying Bivalvan high into the air.

213 ULTIMATE SPIDERMONKEY

Give up?

214 BIVALVAN

Why should I?

Bivalvan aims his hands at Ultimate SpderMonkey's unprotected head. He's got him point blank. Or it looks that way, until Ultimate Spidermonkey OPENS his JAWS IMPOSSIBLY WIDE and SPEWS OUT THICK WEBBING.

215 BIVALVAN

Nooooo! (struggles)

Ultimate SpiderMonkey wraps Bivalvan from neck to foot, cocooning him.

216 ULTIMATE SPIDERMONKEY

The bomb!

217 KEVIN

Got it!

He turns just in time to see Kevin ripping out the wires. Close on the countdown clock as it stops at 00:10.

218 KEVIN

Ten seconds to spare.

219 ULTIMATE SPIDERMONKEY

You did that on purpose.

Ultimate SpiderMonkey REVERTS, first to SpiderMonkey, and finally to Ben. Ben's eyes flash RED for an instant. Gwen is concerned.

220 GWEN

You okay?

221 BEN

Yeah, that's a little different.

Ben turns to Bivalvan.

222 BEN
Time for you to start talking.
Let's start with a name.

223

BIVALVAN

I am Bivalvan, I come from a small planet in what you call the Andromeda galaxy.

224 KEVIN
Long way from home. What brings you here?

225
BIVALVAN
I was kidnapped, along with four others, by a monster named
Aggregor. We managed to escape him, but crashed here on your planet.

226 GWEN Where are the others?

227 BIVALVAN
I don't know, we were separated.

228 BEN
Four aliens that aren't in the
Ultimatrix. That's pretty cool.

229 GWEN

Don't worry about your friends,

we'll find them and get them all a

ride back home.

230 BIVALVAN And what about me?

231 BEN
Same deal. I'll call the Plumbers.
They'll take you.

All react to a loud (SKRUNCH). It's KEVIN IN METAL FORM, he's RIPPING the nuclear bomb off the back of Bivalvan's ship.

232 BEN
We'll make sure the bomb gets back
to NASA.

233 KEVIN

Not that we don't trust you, but we don't.

#### EXT. HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

Ben stands looking at the front door of his school, his back to the camera. After a long beat, Julie walks up behind him and touches his arm.

234 JULIE

You have to go in sometime.

235 BEN

I could drop out.

236 JULIE

Last night you were two feet from an atomic bomb. You <u>can't</u> be scared of your classmates.

237 BEN

Everybody knows my secret, Julie. And if they've been watching the news, everybody hates me.

Julie stands up on her tiptoes and kisses him on the cheek.

238 JULIE

<kissing smack> Not everybody.

# INT. HIGH SCHOOL CORRIDOR - DAY

Tentative Ben enters the school, to the unreadable and silent stares of his classmates. Recent transfers JT AND CASH, approach him. Here it comes...

But it doesn't, as Ben walks down the hall, the kids make way for him an slowly begin (APPLAUDING). The applause (BUILDS), as does Ben's bewilderment. Jt and Cash walk right up to him.

238a KIDS

(walla)

239 JT

You've helped a lot of people in this school. You're all right, Tennyson.

Ben looks at the applauding crowd and smiles.

# <u>INT. ARTHROPIUS' CAVE - LATER</u>

Bivalvan hears a (SOUND) and smiles, calling out into the darkness of his cave.

241 BIVALVAN

Hello? Are you the Plumbers? Ben said you'd be here quickly, but I didn't think--

Bivalvan stops short, he sees who made the noise. It's not the Plumbers, it's Aggregor. He steps forward, his staff crackling with power.

242 BIVALVAN

Aggregor!

243 AGGREGOR

No one escapes me, Bivalvan.

FADE TO BLACK.

244 BIVALVAN

(screams!)

END OF EPISODE