

THE LEGEND OF
ZELDA[®]
A LINK TO THE PAST™

CHARGED WITH HEROIC ENERGY UPON OBTAINING THE **PENDANT OF COURAGE**, THE YOUNG WARRIOR, **LINK**, DEFEATED ONE OF AGAHNIM'S MYSTICAL KNIGHTS WITH A SINGLE SWORD BLOW. ACCORDING TO THE WISE MAN, SAHASRAHLA, LINK MUST FIND TWO MORE OF THE LEGENDARY **PENDANTS OF VIRTUE** BEFORE HE CAN CLAIM THE MIGHTY **MASTER SWORD** THAT HE NEEDS TO DESTROY AGAHNIM. WHILE LINK SEARCHES DESPERATELY FOR THE PENDANTS, **PRINCESS ZELDA** AWAITS HER FATE DEEP IN AGAHNIM'S DUNGEONS...

CHAPTER THREE
**THE BOOK OF
MUDORA**

BY
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DO YOU MEAN TO
TELL ME THAT THE *BOY*
HAS THE *PENDANT*
OF *COURAGE*?!

AND YOU *WEAKLINGS*
CAME BACK HERE
WITHOUT *STOPPING*
HIM?

...I HAVE TRIED TO
BE *MERCIFUL* TO THE
PEOPLE OF THIS KINGDOM,
BUT THOSE IN THE
KNIGHT'S LINE...

...THEY
MUST BE
TERMINATED!




I THOUGHT THE
OLD FOOL I DESTROYED
IN THE CASTLE WAS THE
LAST ONE!



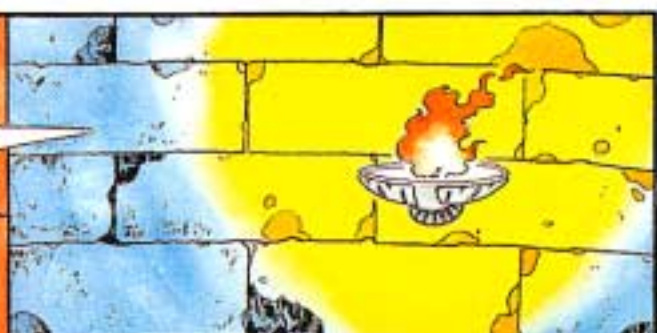
**FIND HIM! AND
LEAVE NO STONE UNTURNED
IN YOUR SEARCH!**

COULD IT
BE THE WHELP IS
ALSO OF THEIR
BLOODLINE?




**DO NOT RETURN
TO THIS CASTLE UNTIL
YOU WITNESS HIS LAST
BREATH!**

IS THAT
**UNDER-
STOOD?**

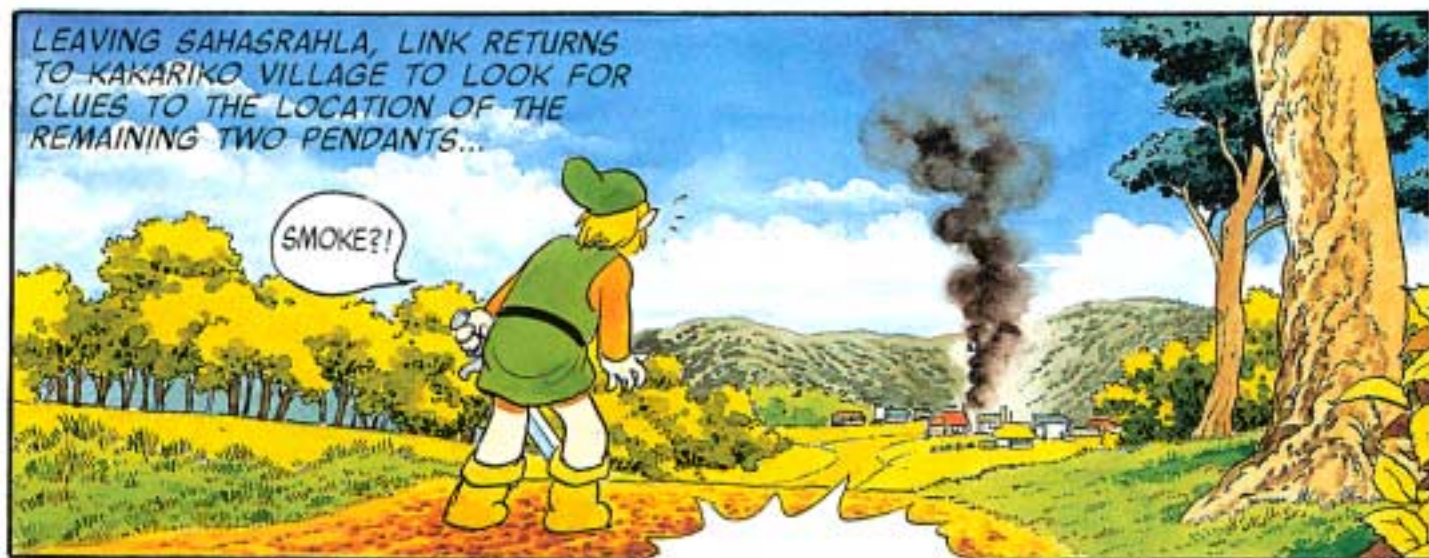
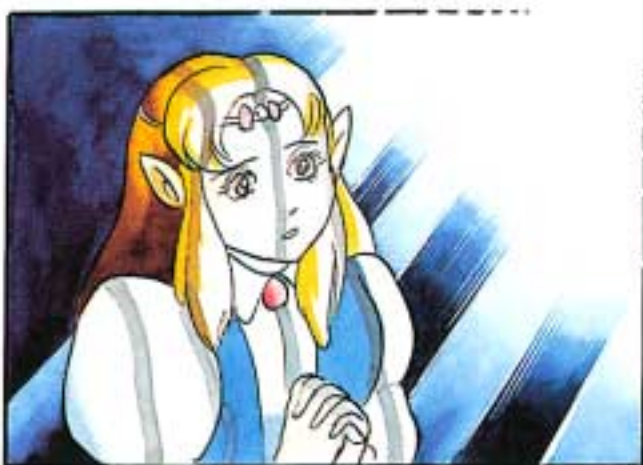
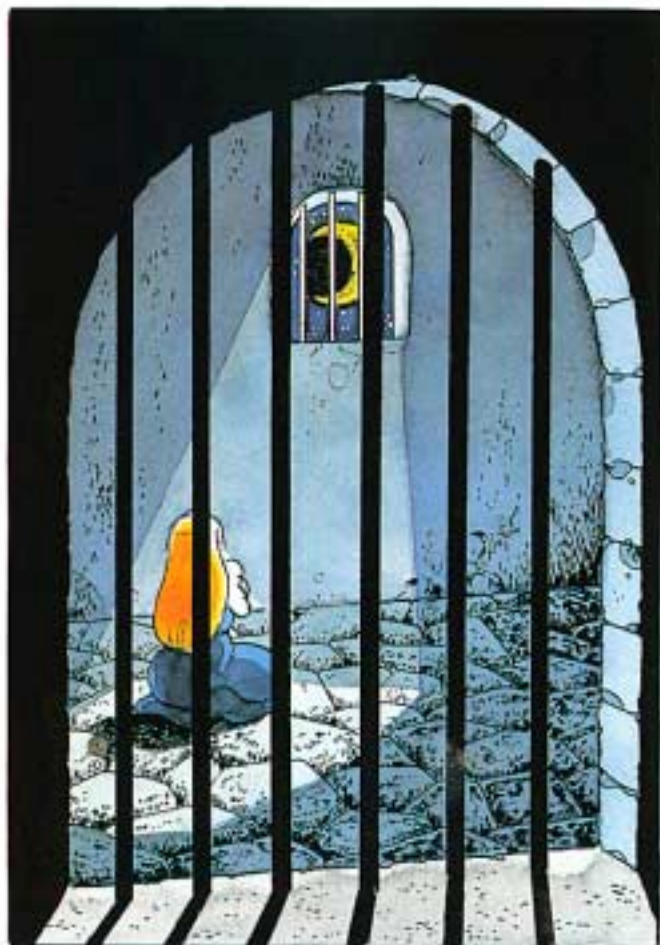


**YES,
MASTER!**

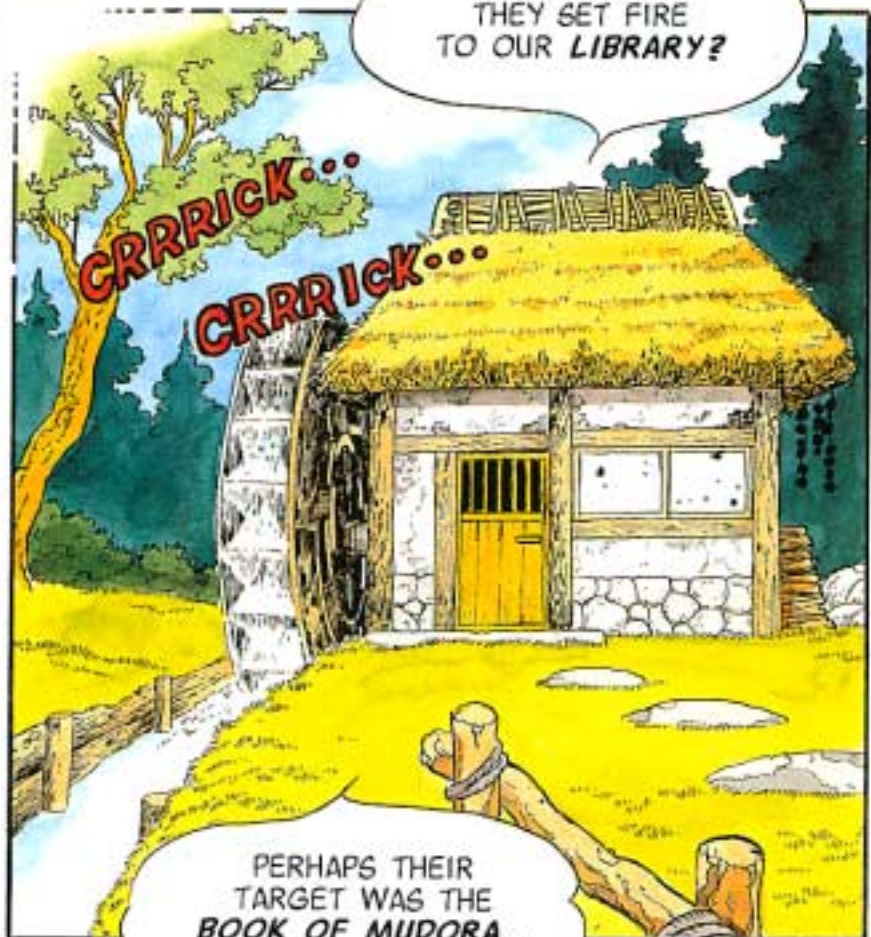
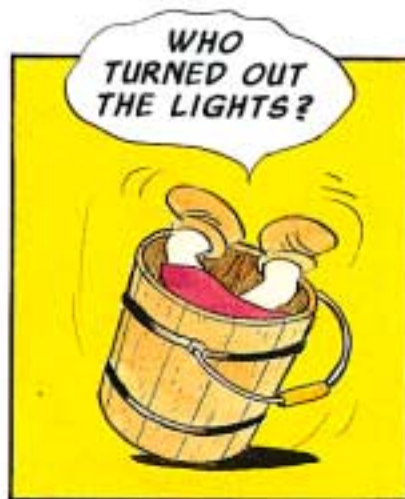
IT MAKES NO
DIFFERENCE...THE **WORLD** WILL
BE OURS WHEN THE MOON IS
FULL AND I CAST THE **FINAL
INCANTATION** ON PRINCESS
ZELDA...



THE PROPHECY
OF THE LEGENDARY
HERO IS BUT A
FOLKTALE...





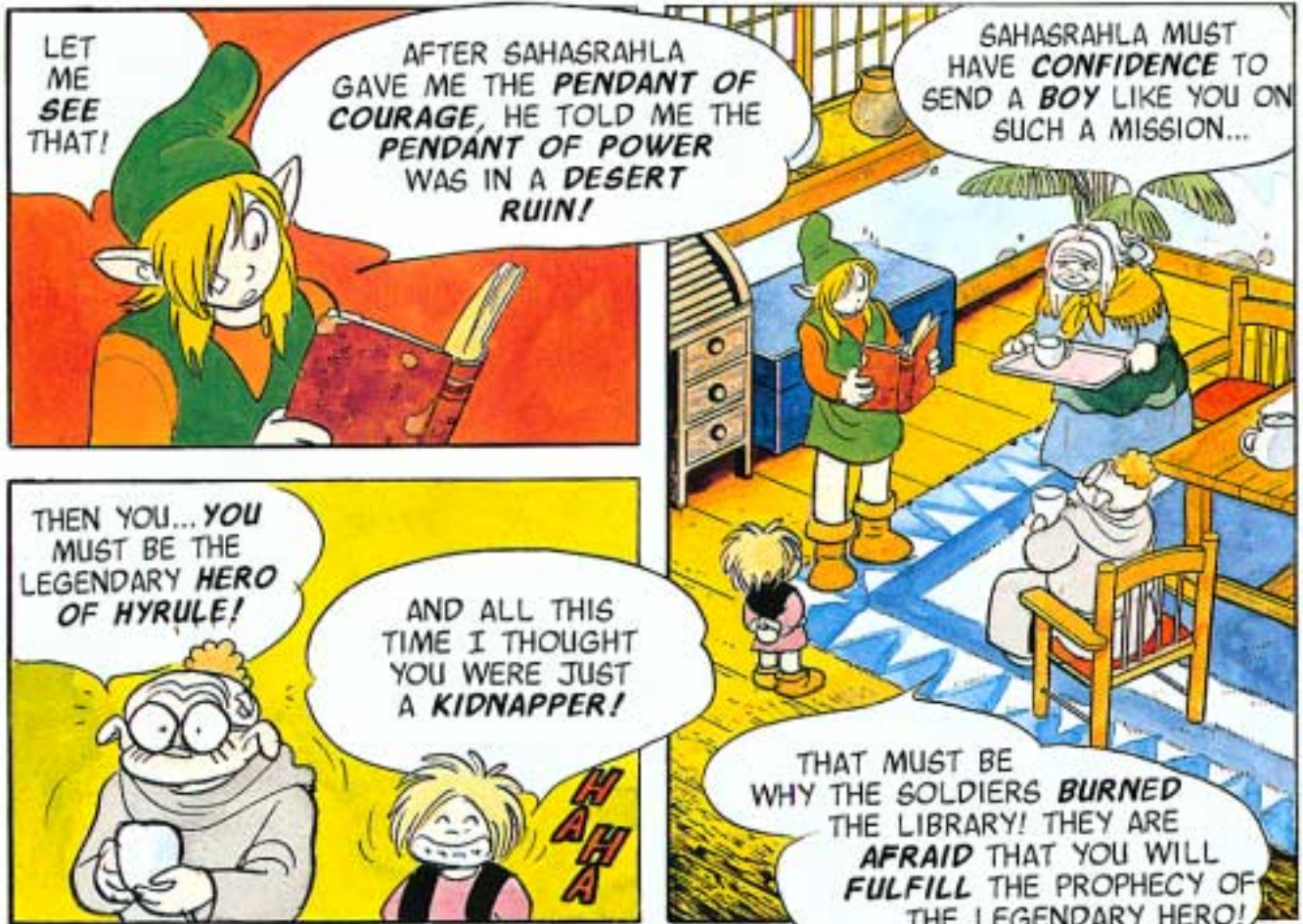




WHAT IS THE BOOK OF MUDORA?

WE MANAGED TO SAVE IT FROM THE FLAMES...

THIS BOOK IS THE KEY TO THE ANCIENT HYLIAN LANGUAGE. ACCORDING TO THE LEGENDS, THE HERO WILL STAND IN THE DESERT WITH THIS BOOK...



LET ME SEE THAT!

AFTER SAHASRAHLA GAVE ME THE PENDANT OF COURAGE, HE TOLD ME THE PENDANT OF POWER WAS IN A DESERT RUIN!

SAHASRAHLA MUST HAVE CONFIDENCE TO SEND A BOY LIKE YOU ON SUCH A MISSION...

THEN YOU... YOU MUST BE THE LEGENDARY HERO OF HYRULE!

AND ALL THIS TIME I THOUGHT YOU WERE JUST A KIDNAPPER!

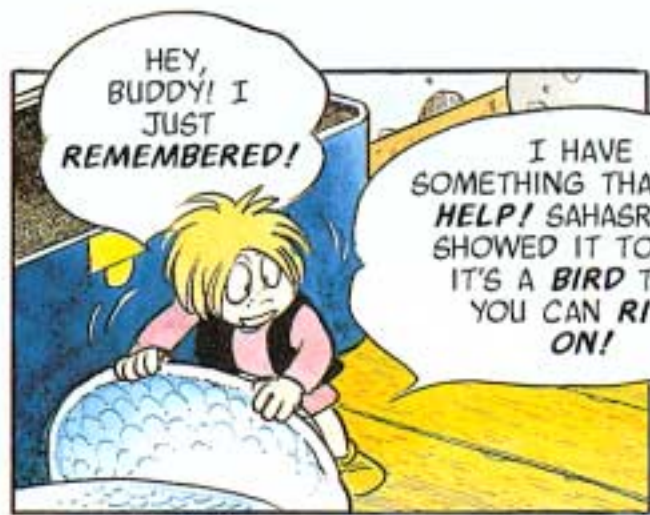
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THAT MUST BE WHY THE SOLDIERS BURNED THE LIBRARY! THEY ARE AFRAID THAT YOU WILL FULFILL THE PROPHECY OF THE LEGENDARY HERO!



THIS IS A VERY FORTUNATE TURN OF EVENTS! I WILL LEAVE THE BOOK IN YOUR CAPABLE HANDS.

I SHOULD WARN YOU THAT TRAVELLING IN THE DESERT IS NO SIMPLE MATTER! THE FIERCE WINDS AND SHIFTING SANDS HAVE BURIED MORE ABLE ADVENTURERS THAN YOU!



HEY, BUDDY! I JUST REMEMBERED!

I HAVE SOMETHING THAT MAY HELP! SAHASRAHLA SHOWED IT TO ME! IT'S A BIRD THAT YOU CAN RIDE ON!



THEY SAY THESE MIRACLE WINGS BELONGED TO A POWERFUL BIRD THAT CARRIED THE KNIGHTS OF HYRULE INTO BATTLE!

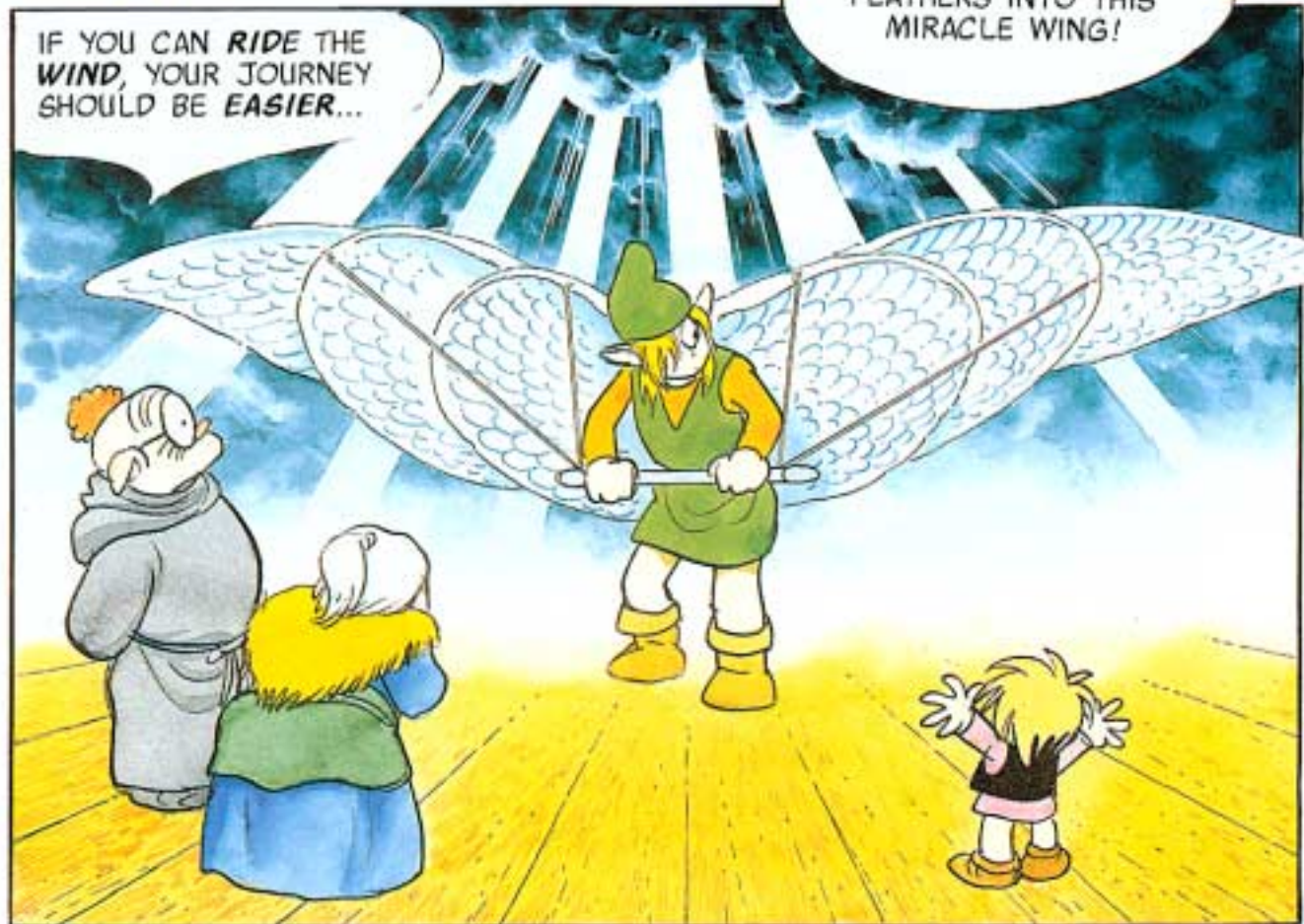


A BIRD THAT COULD CARRY PEOPLE?

IT WAS NO ORDINARY BIRD! ITS STRENGTH WAS LEGENDARY! THE KNIGHTS USED TO TAKE IT ON THEIR CAMPAIGNS TO PROTECT THE KINGDOM!



THE HYLIAN SAGES WOVE ITS FEATHERS INTO THIS MIRACLE WING!



IF YOU CAN RIDE THE WIND, YOUR JOURNEY SHOULD BE EASIER...

FLYING
IS SURE THE
WAY TO GO!



BUT
WHERE
TO?

ALL I CAN
SEE IS SAND
STRETCHING OUT
FOR MILES!

THIS
DOESN'T LOOK
GOOD!



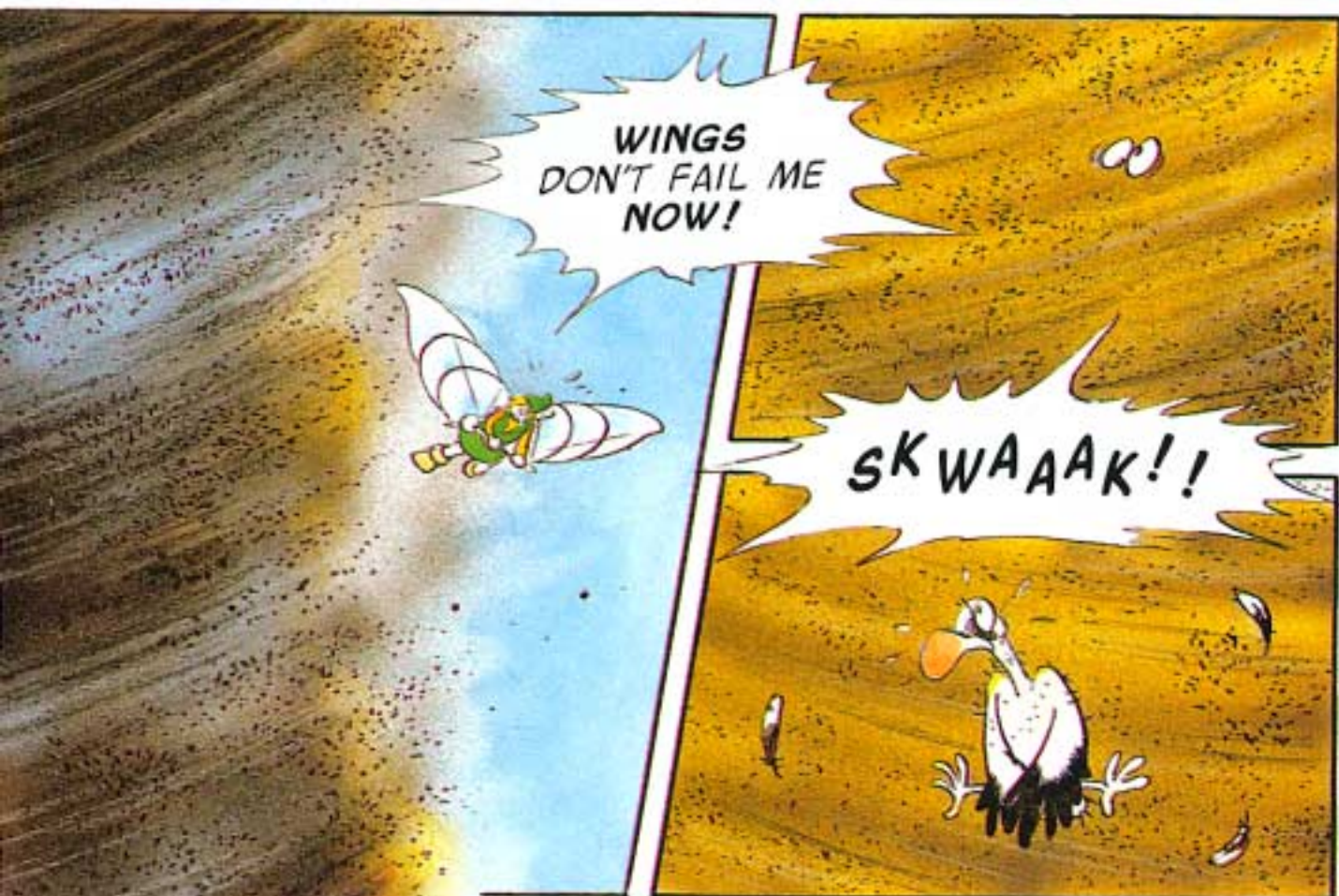
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UH-OH!
IT'S A--



-- TWISTER!

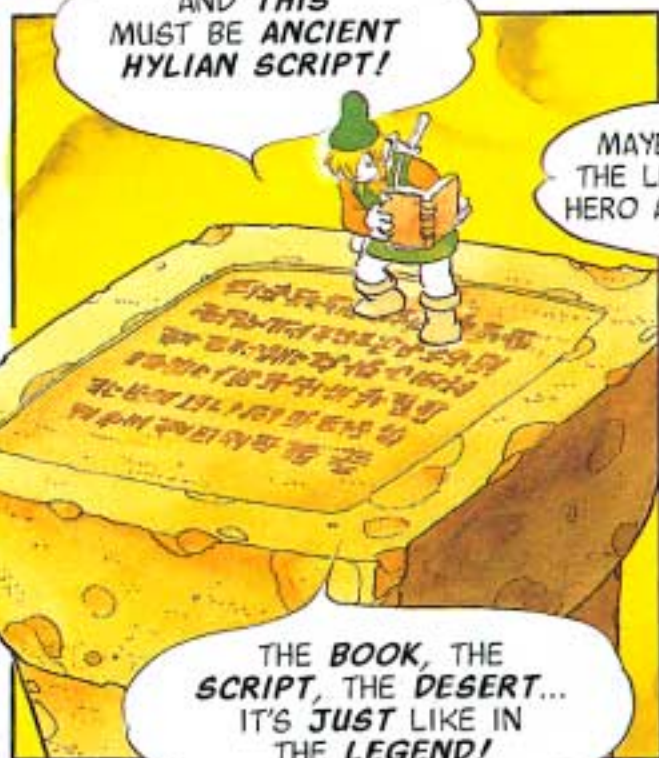




THE
DESERT
RUINS!



AND *THIS*
MUST BE ANCIENT
HYLIAN SCRIPT!



MAYBE I AM
THE LEGENDARY
HERO AFTER ALL!

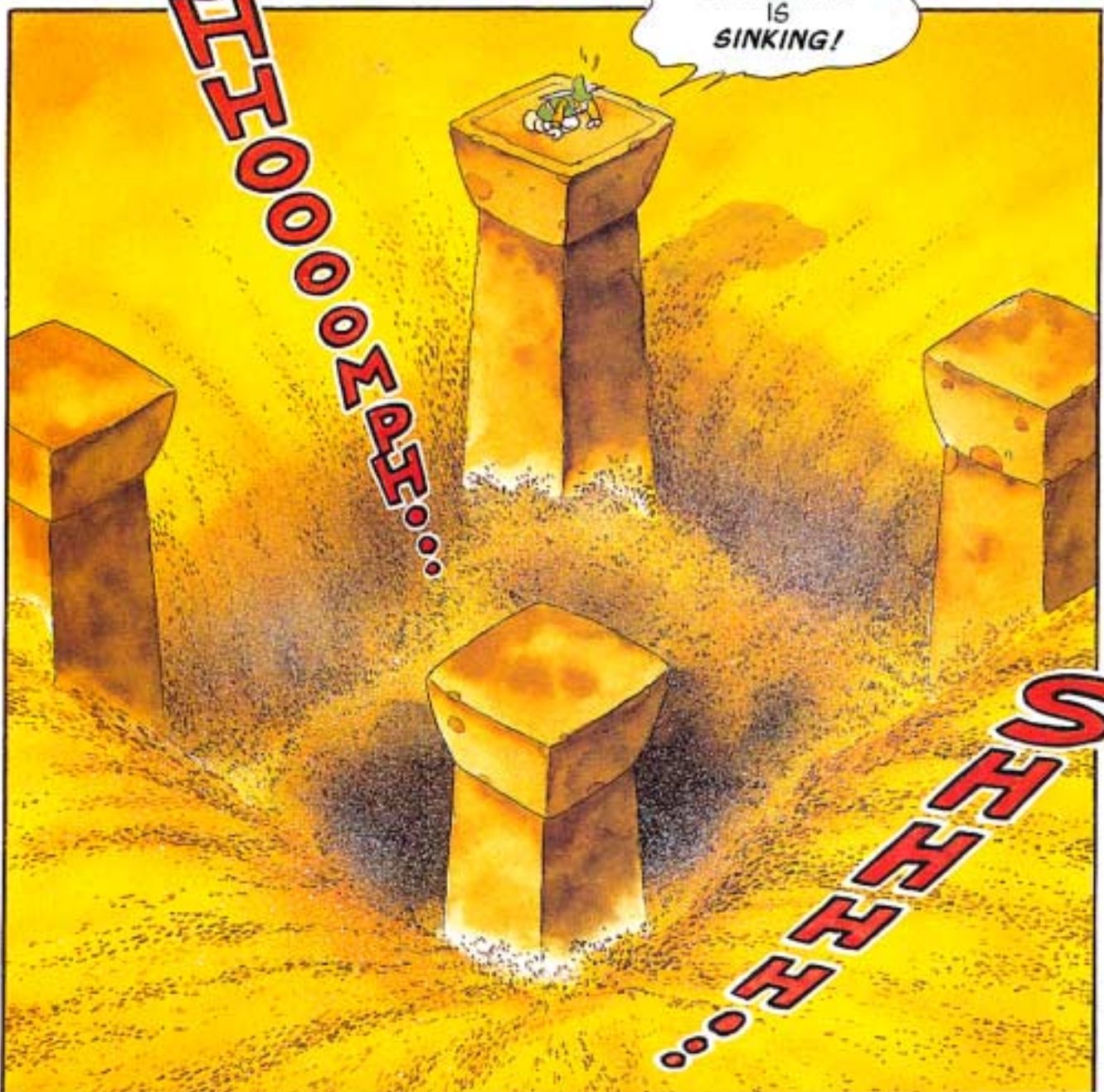
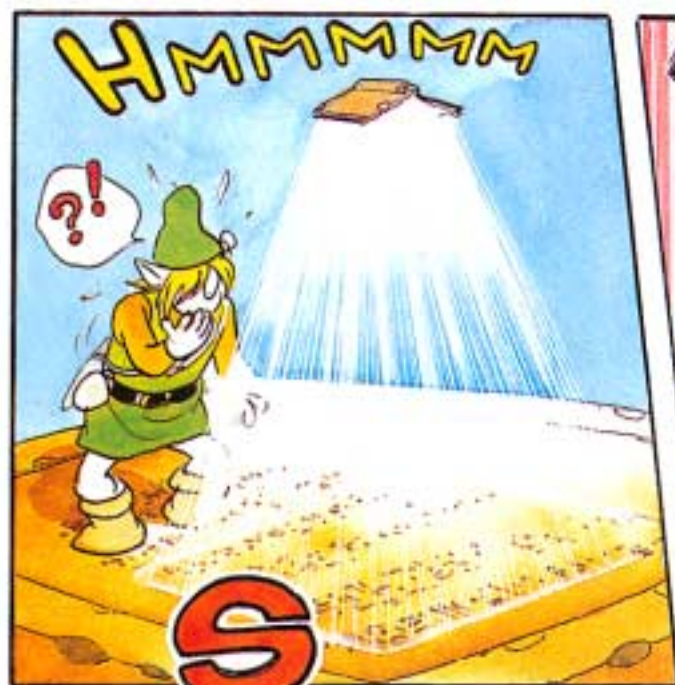
THE *BOOK*, THE
SCRIPT, THE *DESERT*...
IT'S JUST LIKE IN
THE *LEGEND*!

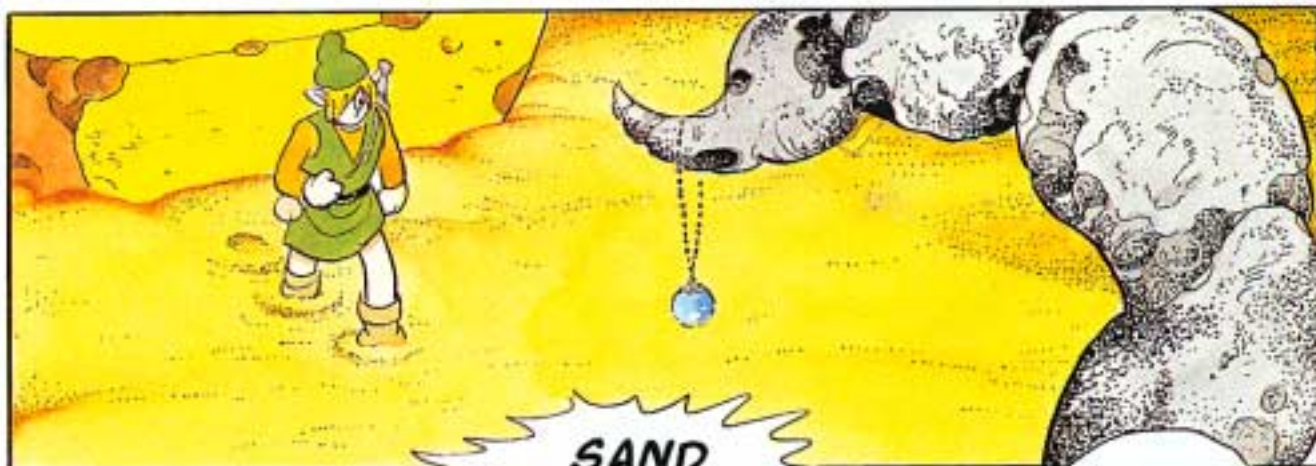
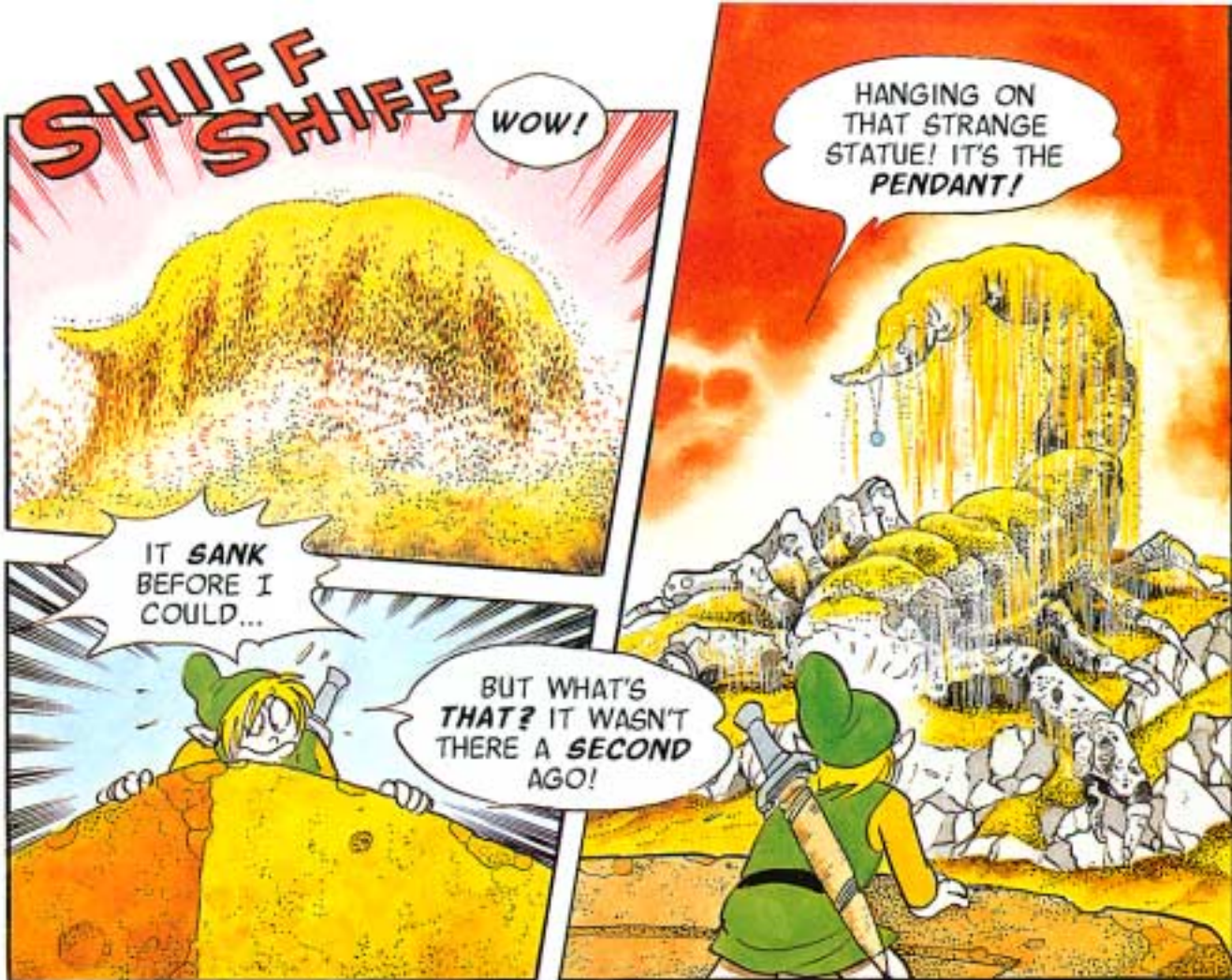
I SUPPOSE
IF I LOOK IT UP
IN THE BOOK, THE
WRITING SHOULD
MAKE *SENSE*...

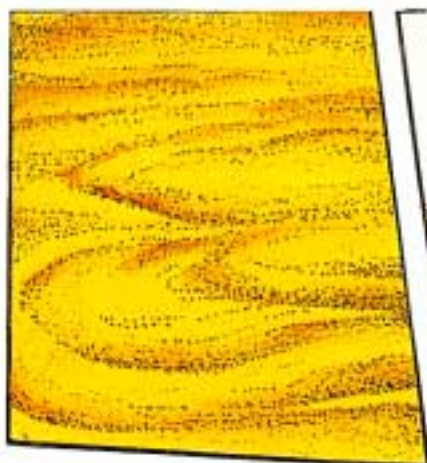
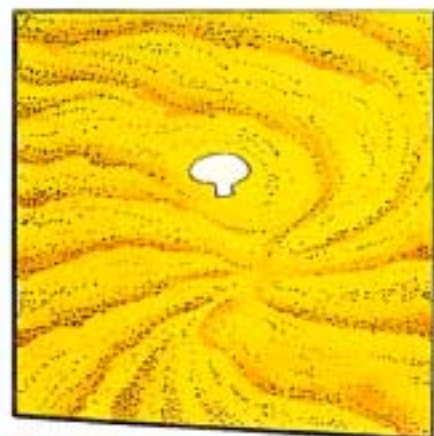


HEY!









Zoom!

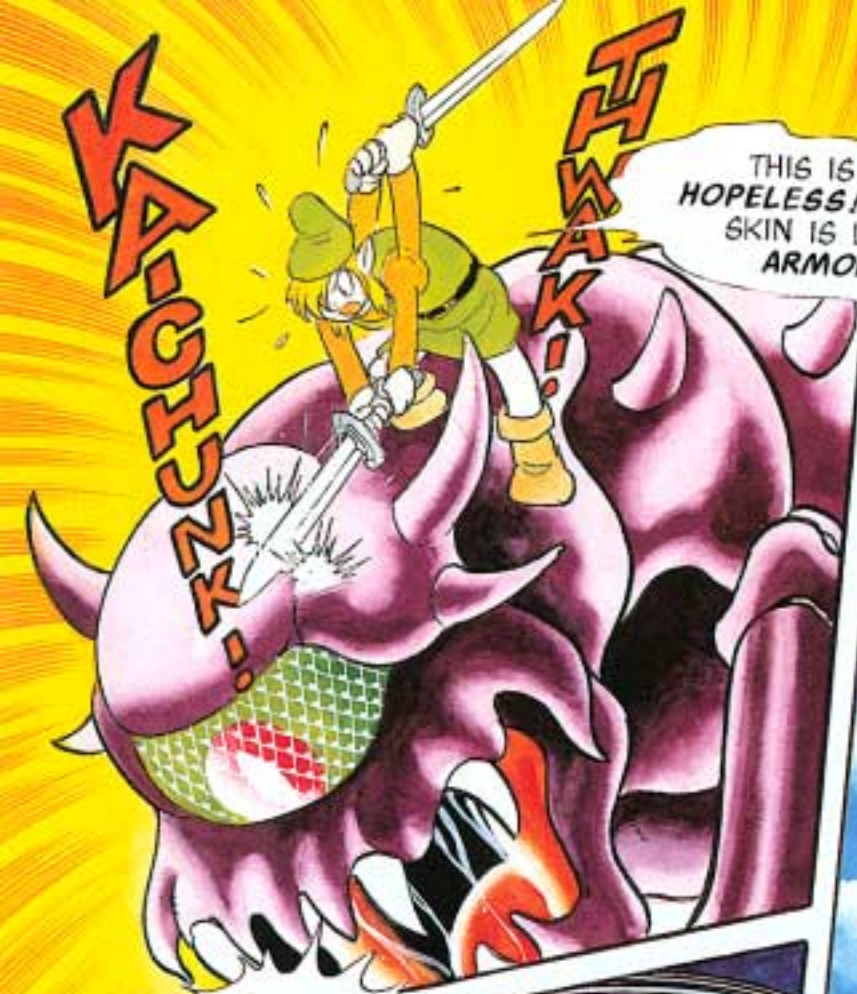
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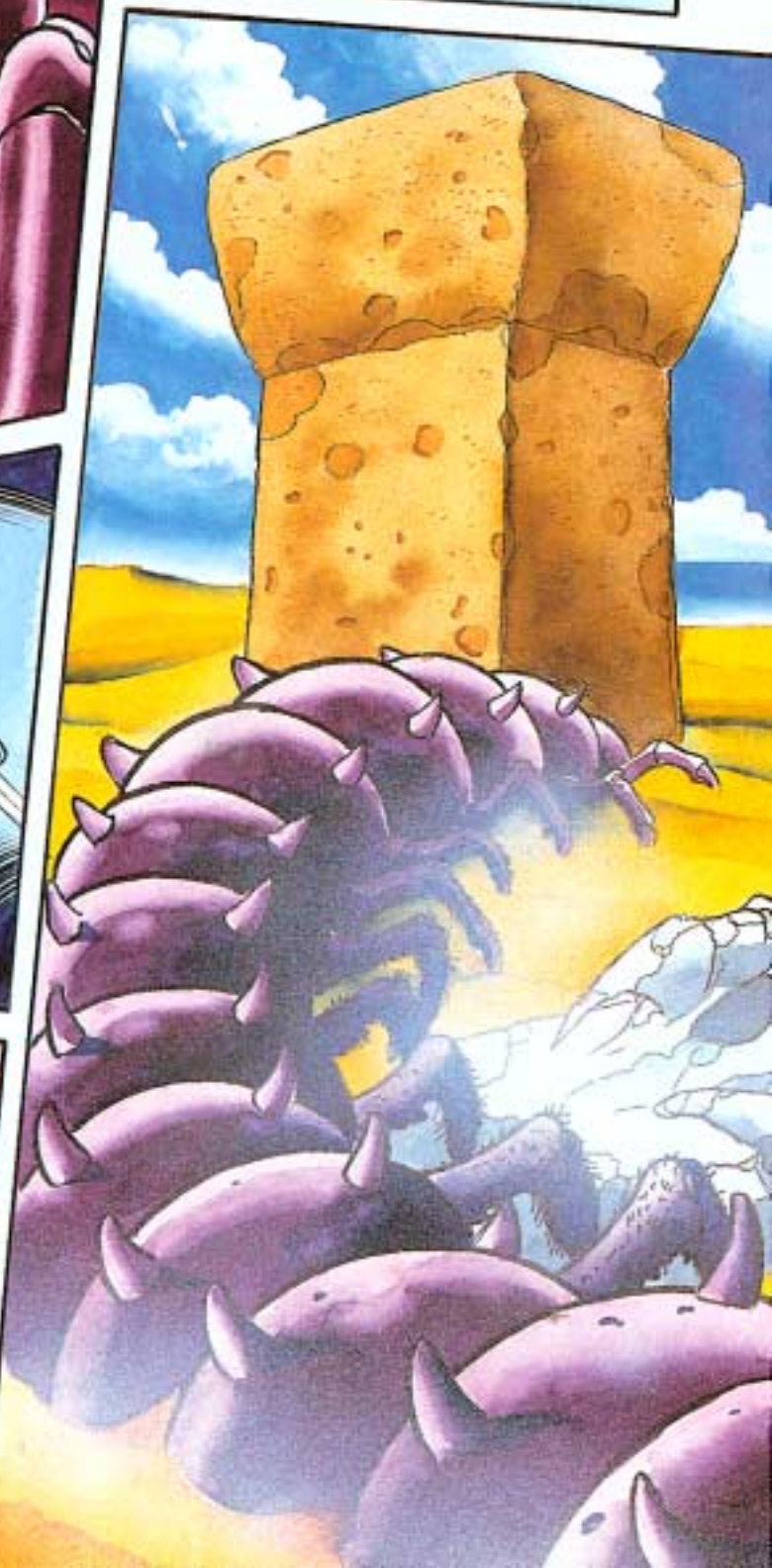
**A
LANMOLA!!**

GRRROAR!!





THIS IS
HOPELESS! ITS
SKIN IS LIKE
ARMOR!!





NICE MOVE, UGLY!
BUT NOW YOU'RE PLAY-
ING WITH THE PENDANT
OF POWER!



TO BE CONTINUED...