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WHO'S SPELLING TROUBLE FOR LION-O?

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Hello from Pumyra! What a busy time we Thundercats are having here on Third Earth at the moment! It seems that as soon as we conquer one evil enemy, another one comes along! Oh well, at least it keeps us busy! It also makes exciting reading so turn to the Cat-alogue and see what we've got in store for us in this issue!

CAT-ALOGUE OF EVENTS:

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Page 10... **BAD MEDICINE!** Lion-O is sick, the Thundercats are under attack from Mumm-Ra's mutants, and Snarf is too lovestruck to notice! Will salvation come in the form of the mysterious and beautiful Witch Doctor Domina? ... only our text story has the answers!

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FRIENDS IN NEED!

PART THREE

CAPTAIN SHINER HAS CAPTURED MOST OF THE THUNDERCATS AND IS ABOUT TO AUCTION THEM TO THE ASSEMBLED VILLAINS OF THIRD EARTH. SUDDENLY ...

RELEASE THE THUNDERCATS!

WHY...
BENGALI, SO
GOOD OF YOU TO
JOIN US!

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LATER...



...AND SO, THUNDERCATS, WE REALISED THAT IN YOUR TIME OF NEED WE SHOULD IGNORE THE DANGER AND TRY TO PAY YOU BACK FOR ALL THE BRAVE THINGS YOU'VE DONE FOR US HERE ON THIRD EARTH.

THANK YOU, WILLA, AND THANKS TOO TO THE BERBILS, THE TUSKAS AND THE SNOWMEN. FROM NOW, YOU ARE WITHOUT DOUBT...

...FRIENDS IN DEED!

 **NEXT: TOTAL CHAOS!**



Lion-O is injured, and the Thundercats are facing defeat at the hands of Mumm-Ra's pawns, the evil mutants! Is their salvation to be found in the form of Domin-a, the beautiful young witch doctor who arrives at the Lair asking for the Thundercats' help? Snarf certainly thinks so! But is Domin-a as wonderful as she seems, or is she really a case of . . .

BAD MEDICINE!

A faint groan issued from the pale and twisted lips of Lion-O as he was half carried, half dragged from the war-torn battle-field.

"Can't go . . . on . . . much longer . . . pain everywhere . . ."

"Not long now, Lion-O, just hold on. We're nearly there now" whispered Cheetara, trying to keep the fear from her voice. She glanced at the other Thundercats. They all realised that without Lion-O, the forces of Mumm-Ra would quickly reassemble, and then what? . . .

The last round of battles with the evil tyrant had seemed endless and they all knew that the final confrontation was near.

"Well, how is he? Will he live?" asked Panthro, concern in his voice, as they laid the wounded Lion-O down in the safety of a glade.

As Cheetara looked down at the brave Thundercat, her heart sank.

"Not unless we can find a miracle worker, for a miracle is what we need to get this warrior back on his feet."



The sad and despondent feeling in the Thundercats camp was, however, about to be lifted.

"Help me, help me please . . ." a shaken and frightened scream came from the nearby woods. As the Thundercats moved towards the cry, someone came crashing through the trees and fell in a crumpled heap at the feet of the wounded Lion-O.

"The soldiers . . . of Mumm-Ra . . . they're after me . . . help me, please!"

As the figure spoke it looked up, and revealed was the face of a beautiful, frightened girl. "They want me for my potions . . . my magical powers, for tending their wounded. But I'm scared . . . of Mumm-Ra". Her voice trailed away as she saw the motionless body of Lion-O.



“**S**ave me . . . and I'll save him” she said, nodding towards Lion-O.

As she worked on the warrior, nobody noticed the calm and enchanted look which had come over Snarf's face. She was so pretty, he thought, like a sprite, or a fairy, and she was going to save their beloved Lion-O. He came to a decision. 'Right, I'm going to make sure **she** stays safe', he thought. 'I'll be her trusty protector.' and with a secret smile, he moved closer to her side.

As the days passed, Lion-O improved rapidly, under the care of the healer, named Domin-a, and on the third day, he stood tall and proud, ready to face anything. He still suffered from strange lapses of memory and when this occurred, he would gaze blankly into space, standing stock still and unable to even pick up his sword. However, this was happening less and less lately, and it seemed as if Lion-O would be able to once again lead his Thundercats into battle.



A change had come over Snarf, too, as the days passed, and he had become more and more entranced with the fair Domin-a, much to the other Thundercats amusement. He had taken to following the healer wherever she went, unknown to her, quietly, and far behind her, just in case she needed his assistance. On one such day, Snarf moved silently along behind Domin-a, as she gathered herbs in the undergrowth. Suddenly, he stopped. Domin-a had for a moment disappeared from view. As he scanned the deep forest, he caught sight of her bending, it seemed, over a figure lying in the grass. As he watched, he could see a pile of bandages heaped at her side and she seemed to be wrapping them around the person lying at her feet. His heart softened, she was so good, so saintly, helping anyone who needed her help . . . and he moved forward, intending only to help her. Just as Snarf moved, he heard voices and he stopped.

“I can control his memory perfectly now”, Domin-a was saying “and the only thing that can free him from my power is a rare white flower found only in the quicksands at the dark side of the Forest of Giant Insects.”

As the figure replied, Snarf froze. His heart, as well as his body, turned to ice as he gripped the sides of the tree in front of him as if it could act as a shield against the evil he was witnessing – for the voice was that of **Mumm-Ra**.



“Sssince the last battle with the Thundercats, half my troops have deserted from fear, curse them. Now with this new weapon, I *will* defeat them. Once their beloved Lion-O loses his memory, they will all fall like dominoessss”.

Snarf didn't delay. He knew exactly where the flower was to be found. As he approached the dark side of the Forest of Giant Insects, he trod carefully, looking for

the tell-tale clumps of damp sand which could spell disaster for him. Looking around, he suddenly espied a clump of the flowers he was looking for. In front of them, however, was damp, treacherous-looking ground. Snarf knew he was the Thundercats only hope. As he edged on, he suddenly felt his feet plunging down into the relentless quicksand. . .



The Thundercats were nervous. The battle had begun hours ago, but Mumm-Ra's forces seemed to be playing a game with them. It was impossible to tell how many troops they were facing because they kept dodging behind trees and rocks, advancing and retreating until the Thundercats were losing their cool control of the situation. If only Mumm-Ra's troops would stand up and fight.

All of a sudden, Lion-O seemed to make up his mind and he motioned the Thundercats to advance. As they ran forward, however, Lion-O seemed to stagger, and put his hand up to his eyes, staring blankly into space. The Thundercats fell back a little in surprise, as Domin-a stood at the edge of the field clutching a stone. At the same moment, Mumm-Ra's small force as if awaiting this cue for battle, swarmed out from behind the rocks.

As they came closer, Lion-O sprang up from his huddled position and the Thundercats moved quickly to surround Mumm-Ra's astonished men. As they moved, Domin-a slipped quietly away. Lion-O raised the Sword of Omens and, with a triumphant cry of "Thundercats Ho", plunged into victorious battle.

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It was in a happy, cheerful mood that the Thundercats returned to camp that day . . .

"Through his own trick, Mumm-Ra has been defeated, and Third Earth is safe once more" said Lion-O. "As soon as Snarf brought me the flower and explained, I knew exactly what I had to do".

"But we were so worried" interrupted Lynx-O.

"Pretending to lose my senses was the only way to bring Mumm-Ra's troops into the open", Lion-O explained. "That we're here now is only thanks to Snarf . . . Hooray for Snarf".

The Thundercats all turned and, as they lifted the triumphant Snarf high, the only sounds to be heard in the forest that day were those of joy and celebration.

"Oh well" said Snarf proudly, if a little sad, "It's all in a day's work for a Thundercat".



Poor Snarf! He was very brave to get the rare flower and save Lion-O! And he liked Domin-a so much! Over the page, you can find the second part of our Map of Third Earth. Can you see the dark forest of Giant Insects? The swamp Snarf had to cross is just below it.



PASS of The ROCKMEN

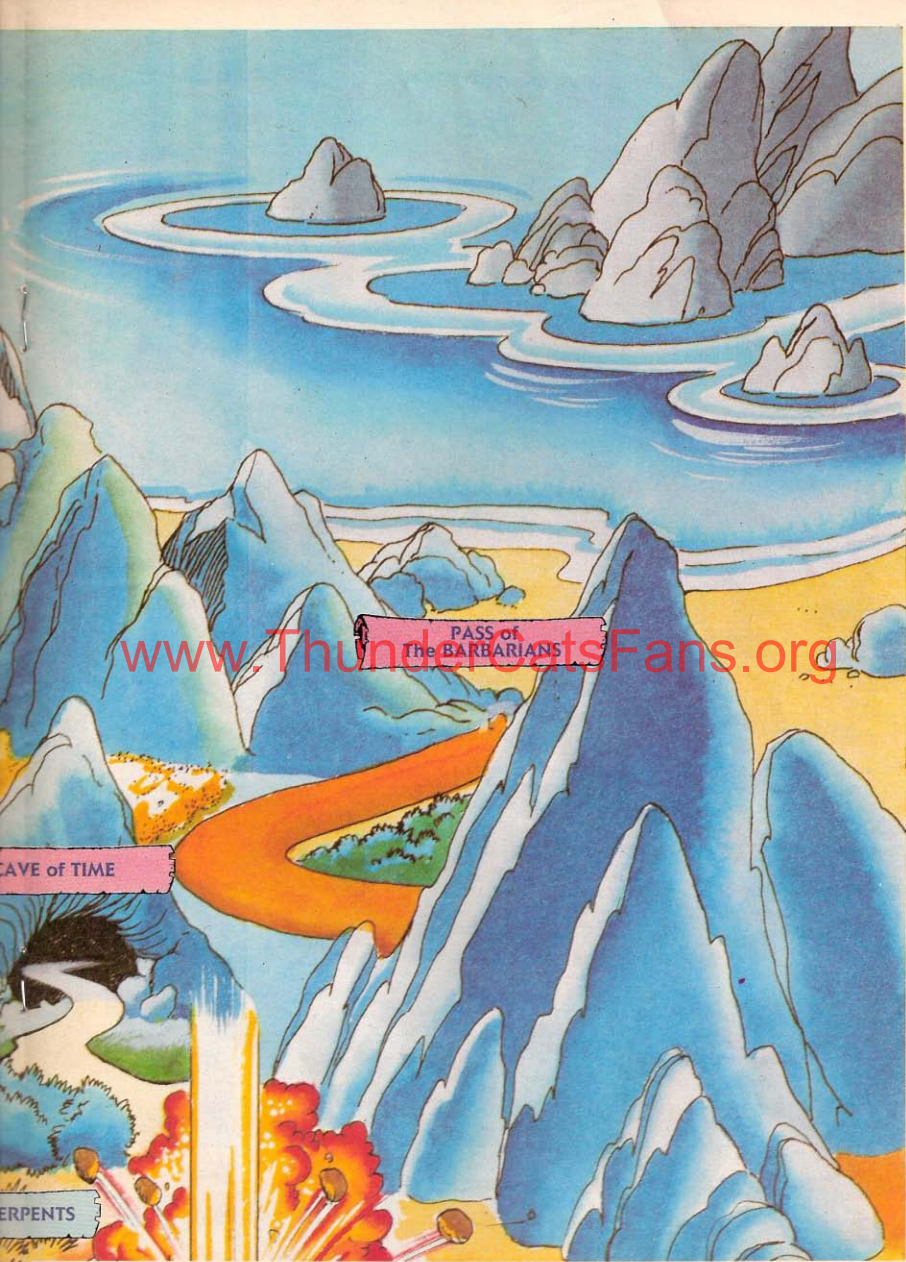
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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE!

Although the two pictures below may look the same at first glance, there are actually ten things missing from the bottom picture. Can you find them? Circle the mistakes you can find, and then turn to page 26 for the answers.



BRIGHT BEYOND BRIGHT!

Colour in this picture with your brightest felt-tips or crayons!
Make sure you get the right colours on the Thundercats!

How many flowers can you see?

What is Wilykit holding?

How do the Wilykittens usually travel about?



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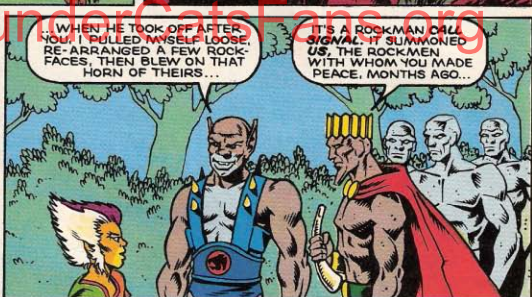
WORLD IN CHAOS Part 4

Questing to stop Mumm-Ra's fearful plan to destroy Third Earth, Thundercats Panthro, Wilykat and Snarl have fallen foul of the Rockmen, and it is up to the kitten and the valiant warrior chief to save them!









EPILOGUE:

THE THUNDERCATS' NEW-FOUND FRIENDS AIDED IN CHARTING THEIR ENTRUSTED PORTION OF THIRD EARTH...

A FOREST OF GIANT INSECTS, HUH? NO KIDDING!

...AND WITHIN THE SANCTITY OF CATS' LAIR, JAGA ADDED THE CHARTED AREAS TO HIS MYSTIC MAP OF THE TROUBLED PLANET...

OUR THANKS, KING TORG. WE'D NEVER HAVE MADE IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!

THE LEAST WE COULD DO, THUNDERCATS - IF THIRD EARTH IS TO SURVIVE, IT CAN ONLY BE THROUGH THE CO-OPERATION AND RESPECT OF ITS PEOPLES!

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KRAKOOM!

BY THUNDERA!

ONE THING'S FOR SURE - UNLESS THEY CAN CHART THE REST OF THIS MUDBALL BEFORE SUNDOWN...

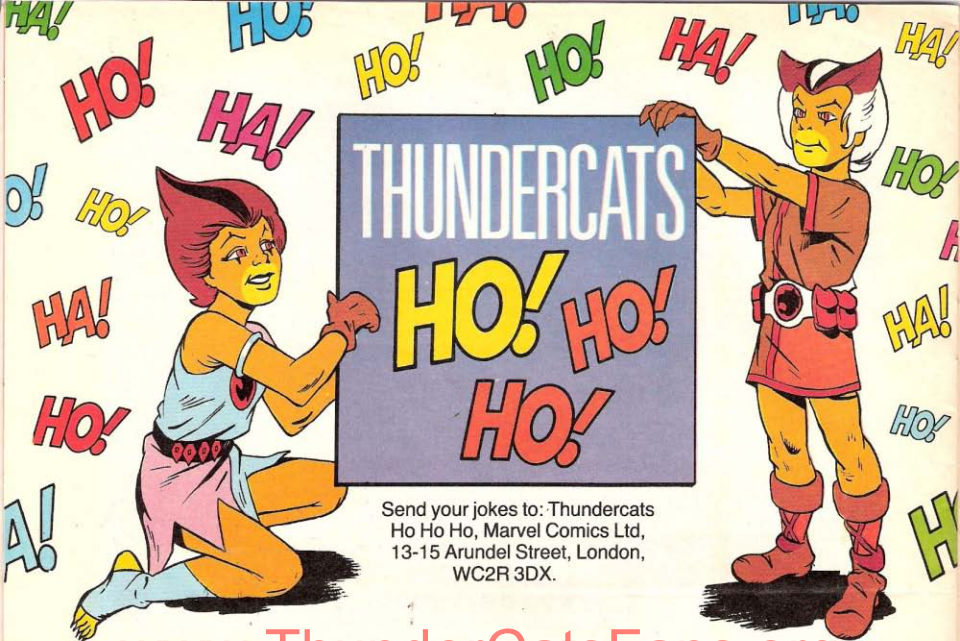
WELL, WE'VE DONE OUR BIT! GUESS IT'S UP TO THE OTHERS NOW...

RIGHT, SNARF. IF THEY DON'T SUCCEED I GUESS WE'LL KNOW SOON ENOUGH, ONE WAY OR THE OTHER...

...WE WON'T HAVE A HOME TO GO TO!

NEXT:

FRIEND OR FOE?



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Q: What dog has horns?

A: A bulldog!

JOHN SHANKS Aged 6

Q: What is a crocodile's favourite game?

A: Snap!

JAMES MARSTERS Aged 9

Q: What did Adam say to his wife on the 24th of December?

A: It's Christmas Eve!

DONNA VENETICO Aged 9

Q: What do you call a train full of toffee?

A: A chew chew train.

Q: Why was the teacher cross-eyed?

A: Because she couldn't control her pupils!

HARVINDER SINGH Aged 8

Q: Which is farther away, America or the moon?

A: It must be America, because you can see the moon.

PETER KETTLEY Aged 6

Q: What did Snarf do at the shops?

A: Purr-rr-chased things!

RORY MACKAY Aged ?

LETTERS TO THE LAIR!

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Dear Panthro

1./ How high can you jump?

2./ Have you got any more jackets apart from the one you wear every day?

3./ Can you or any of the other Thundercats swim?

RICHARD PLANT, Shropshire

Panthro replies;

Well, Richard, I've never measured the height of my jumps, but because I'm so strong it must be quite a distance! As for the jacket, like the other Thundercats I have several identical outfits, which means that I always have a clean set even if the others are in the wash! At least it saves me worrying about the latest fashions! All of the Thundercats can swim very well, unlike Earth cats, who don't like water, or so I hear. I hope all our readers can swim too!



Dear Lion-O,

Please can you tell me;

1./ Can you fly by saying "Flight Beyond Flight"?

2./ Why is there only one Vultureman?

Thank you,

MARCUS HOWARD, Aberdeen

Lion-O answers;

Thank you for your questions, Marcus. No, I don't think I could fly if I said "Flight Beyond Flight" - I've never tried it, and as we have Thunderwings I can fly anyway! As for Vultureman, all I can say is Thank Thundera there is only one! Now I think of it, Thank Thundera there is only one S-s-Slithe too!

Here are the answers to Spot the Difference on page 17. Did you get all ten right?



SIGHT BEYOND SIGHT

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THE MIGHTY MARVEL CHECKLIST

☐ **TRANSFORMERS 222** In this issue you can read Part Two of **Wanted – Galvatron: Dead or Alive**, by Furman and Senior, with Death's Head hot on the trail. Also, there's the exciting climax of **Survivors**, by Furman and Stokes. **PLUS** Part Three of **Divergent Paths**, the Action Force story by Hama, Wagner and McCleod.

☐ **THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS 53** Do you experience feelings of dread on your skateboard? Well, Peter Venkman does in this week's issue, in a story by John Freeman. Slimmer falls in love, but all is not as it seems in **Foiled for Love**, by Carnell, Williamson and Perkins. **PLUS** Winston experiences the wash-day blues in **Carwash! Spook**, by Fabian, O'Donnell and Harwood.

☐ **DEATH'S HEAD 8** Time Bomb, by Parkhouse and Wetherall features a fantastic guest appearance by the Doctor, of Doctor Who fame, in an explosive time travelling

story that sees our mechanoid hero alter the course of history!

☐ **THUNDERCATS 98** In this month's issue Lion-O meets Domin-a, a beautiful enchantress – but is she as friendly as she appears? You can also read Part Three of **Friends in Need**, and Part Four of the classic story **Worlds in Chaos**. **PLUS** Part Two of the Third Earth map, activities, and much more!

DON'T MISS...

☐ **DOCTOR WHO 150** In this special giant-size bumper issue the **Ice Warriors** make an appearance, along with the **Cybermen**, and the villainous **Master**. There are also exclusive photographs from the classic 1965 story, **The Dalek Master Plan**. **PLUS** 20 BBC videos must be won in our exciting competition!

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