

"The Brave And The Bold: Part Two"
(#385-585)

CAST

FLASH
GREEN LANTERN
WONDER WOMAN
BATMAN
HAWKGIRL
J'ONN J'ONZZ

GRODD
SOLOVAR
DR. CORWIN

SWAT OFFICER - From Part One (#385-584).
DEENA - From Part One (#385-584)
DIANE - From Part One (#385-584)

HUMAN CROWD - Under Grodd's mind control. CHANTING WALLAS.

GENERAL - A gruff, hard-nosed gorilla officer.
LIEUTENANT - The gorilla general's aide.
GORILLA SOLDIER - A lower rank gorilla soldier. ONE LINE.
GORILLA GUARDS - GRUNTS only.

GUARD - A human sentry under Grodd's mind control.

GORILLA BYSTANDERS - Terrified WALLAS.

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TEASER

RECAP of PART ONE: We show Grodd escaping from Gorilla City, Solovar explaining the danger to Flash and Green Lantern, Grodd using his mind control device on Flash and the energy wave sweeping over the city.

FLASH (VO)
 Previously, on Justice League ...

ACT ONE

FADE IN:

EXT. WATCHTOWER - DAY

Establishing the Justice League orbiting Headquarters. TRUCK IN as we hear...

J'ONN (VO)
 Diana! Hawkgirl!

CUT TO:

INT. MONITOR ROOM - DAY

HAWKGIRL and WONDER WOMAN rush in behind J'ONN who is at the controls of the MAIN MONITORING STATION. He appears visibly shaken.

HAWKGIRL
 What is it, J'onnn?

J'ONN
 Central City... It's gone.

Wonder Woman and Hawkgirl exchange incredulous looks.

WONDER WOMAN
 That's impossible.

J'ONN
 See for yourself...

He points to the monitor. She leans in close.

THE MAIN MONITOR - A RAPID SERIES OF IMAGES

NORTH AMERICA from space. Rapidly STEP IN closer and closer to where Central City should be (Somewhere along the Mississippi?). There is a huge void where the city once stood.

J'ONN (CONT)

Sensors indicate that the city has vanished without a trace.

BACK ON J'ONN, WONDER WOMAN AND HAWKGIRL

The two women react.

HAWKGIRL

Weren't GL and Flash down there?

Looking concerned, Wonder Woman leans past J'onn and opens the COM-LINK.

WONDER WOMAN

Flash! Green Lantern! This is the Watchtower calling. Please, Come in...

The only response is a HISS OF STATIC. J'onn and Wonder Woman exchange concerned looks. Then, she tries again.

WONDER WOMAN (CONT)

Repeat, come in!

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. RIVER BLUFFS RESEARCH CENTER - NIGHT

OPEN CLOSE ON Green Lantern as he lies on the ground and slowly stirs.

GREEN LANTERN

(weak GROAN.)

As he sits up and looks around, PULL BACK to reveal Solovar and Flash on the ground near him. They are all surrounded by Green Lantern's protective AURA.

GREEN LANTERN (CONT)

We're still here.

As he removes the aura, Green Lantern notices that the rest of the room is likewise untouched. Solovar begins to awaken.

SOLOVAR
So it would seem.

FLASH (VO)
(moans)

They turn to Flash who is also waking up. Green Lantern frowns.

GREEN LANTERN
The mind control. Is he still...?

Solovar removes his own protective HEADBAND and puts it on Flash.

SOLOVAR
No. This should protect him.

The Headband in place, Flash comes out of his trance and quickly sits up bolt upright.

FLASH
Who? What? Where?

Realizing he's had another blackout, he sags with despair..

FLASH (CONT)
Oh, man! Not again!
(resigned sigh)
What did I miss?

Green Lantern gives Flash a hand up.

GREEN LANTERN
That "dumb ol' gorilla" got away.

Flash winces at the pointed reminder.

FLASH
Go ahead. Rub it in.

GREEN LANTERN
This time, we're getting some
backup.

Green Lantern activates his COM-LINK.

GREEN LANTERN
Green Lantern to Watchtower.
Watchtower, come in...

Green Lantern reacts as his com-link HISSES with static.

GREEN LANTEN
My com-link's off-line.

Flash tries to activate his own com-link. The same.

FLASH
Mine too.

Solovar walks to a window and stares out.

SOLOVAR
And for good reason.

Green Lantern and Flash look out the window. The ENTIRE CITY is sealed off by an immense, shimmering ENERGY SHIELD.

FLASH
This is not good.

SOLOVAR
It's just like the shield that protects my city. Nothing can get in.

GREEN LANTERN
Or out.

Green Lantern turns to the Shield Wall Generator.

GREEN LANTERN (CONT)
Unless I can shut down the generator.

Green Lantern fires a powerful BLAST at the Shield Generator. The force field around it FLARES, but holds firm. Flash is amazed.

FLASH
Whoa. Not even a scratch.

SOLOVAR
Gorilla technology is highly advanced.

Determined, he turns and walks away.

SOLOVAR (CONT)
Come, we must find Grodd.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. JAVELIN-7 - DAY

PAN with the Javelin-7, flying rapidly on a downward trajectory.

CUT TO:

INT. JAVELIN-7 - DAY

The cockpit. Wonder Woman is at pilot position, J'onn at co-pilot and Hawkgirl in the rear.

WONDER WOMAN
Approaching Central City.

HAWKGIRL
Or at least where it used to be.
See anything yet?

J'ONN
Negative. It's as if it never
existed.

Wonder Woman reacts to a BLINKING LIGHT on her console. SFX:
INSISTENT BEEPING ALARM.

WONDER WOMAN
Proximity alert, twelve o'clock.

J'ONN
I see nothing.

Wonder Woman pulls back hard on the YOKE.

WONDER WOMAN
Batman designed this ship. If his
sensors say something is there --

All react to a JOLT as the plane hits something.

HAWKGIRL/WW/J'ONN
(startled, jolted CRY!)

WONDER WOMAN

Great Hera!

ON THE JAVELIN-7, shuddering as its wing throws SPARKS. It's scraping against an unseen barrier in the sky.

J'ONN

Hang on!

J'onn wrestles with the controls. Finally, the shuddering and the sparks stop as the Javelin-7 PULLS CLEAR.

DISSOLVE TO:

THE JAVELIN-7 - A SHORT TIME LATER

Safely landed in a GRASSY FIELD. The port opens and the heroes emerge.

J'ONN

Your trust in Batman's engineering skills was well placed.

HAWKGIRL

So, what did we hit?

Wonder Woman walks carefully up to the invisible edge of the shield, her hands out in front of her. She finds the shield, and presses against it, feeling it out with her open palms.

WONDER WOMAN

Some sort of energy field.

She turns to J'onn.

WONDER WOMAN

Can you phase through it?

J'onn floats towards the shield, becoming semi-transparent as he does. But the shield repels him.

J'ONN

(impact GRUNT!)

Landing, he returns to normal density.

J'ONN

It seems to be an asynchronous dimensional interface...

Hawkgirl couldn't care less about J'onn's theory. She strides purposefully towards the shield, brandishing her mace.

HAWKGIRL
Let me take a whack at it.

J'ONN
No, don't...

Ignoring him, Hawkgirl SMITES the shield with her Energy Mace. There is a terrific ENERGY BACKLASH that throws her backwards and to the around.

HAWKGIRL
(cry of pain/impact grunt)

Wonder Woman is there to offer Hawkgirl a hand up.

WONDER WOMAN
Perhaps we should try a different approach.

CUT TO:

EXT. CENTRAL CITY STREETS - NIGHT

Green Lantern, Flash and Solovar make their way cautiously down the curiously empty streets.

FLASH
Weird. Am I the only one creeped out here? Where is everyone?

Solovar indicates the jet black night sky. There is no moon in the starless sky.

SOLOVAR
Perhaps the shield frightened them.

FLASH
Could be. But usually when a city looks this empty, flesh-eating zombies are involved.

GREEN LANTERN
You watch too many movies.

Solovar cups his hand to his ear and cocks his head as if listening to something.

SOLOVAR
Shhh! Listen!

All concentrate and then we can hear it too, quiet at first, then rising in volume.

CROWD (O.S.)
(chanting)
Grodd! Grodd! Grodd!

Flash gives GL a look.

FLASH
Maybe you don't watch enough.

As Flash heads toward the sound, Solovar and Green Lantern follow.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. CIVIC PLAZA - NIGHT

Flash, Solovar and Green Lantern are sneaking towards camera. The chant is deafening. Obviously they are closer to the source of the chants.

CROWD (O.S.)
(chanting)
Grodd! Grodd! Grodd!

Flash, Solovar and Green Lantern react with alarm to something off-screen.

WIDER - REVERSE

Flash, Solovar and Green Lantern are at the edge of a HUGE CROWD of chanting humans. The Plaza is overflowing and all eyes are on the GRANDSTAND, where GRODD (wearing his mind control helmet) is taking the stage. Dr. Corwin is right behind him. Grodd's image is projected on a big jumbotron screen behind him.

CROWD (CONT)
(chanting)
Grodd! Grodd! Grodd!

Grodd raises his arms, soaking it in. It's the Nuremberg Rally, all over again.

CROWD
(wild CHEERS!)

Flash, Green Lantern and Solovar watch in growing dismay.

SOLOVAR
We're too late. They're already
under his control.

Flash indicates the protective headband he's wearing.

FLASH
Uh, how many of these headbands
you got left?

SOLOVAR
Two.

ON THE CROWD, there's a lot of them.

CROWD
(chanting)
Grodd! Grodd! Grodd!

FLASH (O.S.)
That's not going to be enough...

CUT TO:

INT. BATCAVE - CONTINUOUS

A seated, thoughtful Batman is studying his own MAIN MONITOR as he com-links with Wonder Woman, J'onn and Hawkgirl.

BATMAN
Diana, I've analyzed the data you
sent.

WONDER WOMAN (VO)
Can you tell us how to penetrate
the force field?

BATMAN
Not yet. But I've discovered
something else.

Batman studies his main monitor, a map of the Western Hemisphere is lit up at two points, Central City and Central Africa.

BATMAN (CONT)

A second energy signature, similar to the one you've encountered. Except it's in Africa.

THE FORCE FIELD WALL - OUTSIDE CENTRAL CITY - NIGHT

Wonder Woman, Hawkgirl and J'onn react.

WONDER WOMAN

Africa?

J'ONN

Could the city have been transported there?

BATMAN (VO)

Unlikely, but it's worth investigating.

INT. BATCAVE - CONTINUOUS

Batman rises from his chair, ready to take action. He heads towards the BATWING

BATMAN (CONT)

I'm sending coordinates to your on-board GPS. I'll rendezvous with you there.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. CIVIC PLAZA - NIGHT

Grodd smiles as he surveys the crowd below.

CROWD

Grodd! Grodd! Grodd!

Then, Grodd motions for silence. The crowd quiets.

GRODD

People of Central City. The age of hairless, simple-minded humanity is over! Today, a new age dawns. Today, Grodd rules!

The crowd erupts in applause.

CROWD
(cheers and applause)

FLASH rolls his eyes in irritation.

GRODD
Humans are slow, ugly, immoral and
have an unpleasant body odor!

CROWD
(cheers)

Flash can't take it any more, he shouts back at the grandstand.

FLASH
(shouting)
Hey! Who you calling "slow"?!

THE CROWD nearest the heroes turn around to look at Flash.

GREEN LANTERN
Flash, don't heckle the
supervillain.

FLASH
We don't have to listen to this!

BACK ON THE GRANDSTAND, Grodd hasn't noticed the commotion at the back of the crowd.

GRODD
Humans are inferior creatures, fit
only to serve at my whim! But
after Gorilla City falls, you will
be the paving stones on which I
build my new empire.

FLASH
(shouting)
Hey, Monkey-boy! Why don't you go
climb a skyscraper!

BACK ON THE GRANDSTAND, Grodd notices the commotion and sees Flash, Green Lantern and Solovar. His nostrils angrily flair.

GRODD
Intruders. Destroy them!

Flash, Green Lantern and Solovar react as the crowd turns and surrounds them.

CROWD
Destroy them!

Green Lantern glares at Flash.

GREEN LANTERN
Couldn't keep your big mouth shut,
could you?

GL, Flash and Solovar brace for the worse as the angry crowd closes in around them.

FADE OUT.

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

FADE IN:

EXT. CIVIC PLAZA - NIGHT

The angry CROWD advances on Green Lantern, Flash and Solovar.

CROWD
(chanting)
Destroy them. Destroy them.
Destroy them.

GREEN LANTERN
We need some breathing room.

Green Lantern FIRES his power ring at the ground in front of them and digs a deep, semi-circular DITCH, separating them from the crowd.

CROWD
(startled CRIES!)

Members of the crowd begin slowly to climb into the ditch, then up the opposite wall.

SOLOVAR
Now what?

GREEN LANTERN
Make yourselves scarce. I'm going
after Grodd.

GREEN LANTERN rises into the sky and towards the grandstand. A SWAT TEAM draws a bead on him.

SWAT OFFICER
Stop the intruder! Fire!

The SWAT TEAM fires.

GREEN LANTERN blocks the bullets with his SHIELD.

TWO SWAT TEAM MEMBERS load a LIGHT ANTI-TANK WEAPON and point it at the sky.

FLASH AND SOLOVAR react to the Crowd.

THE CROWD begins to climb up over the lip of the ditch. First among them are DIANE and DEENA (from the first scene of Act One, in Part One).

SOLOVAR

Stay back!

Solovar points his Blaster, but Flash steps in front of him.

FLASH

Hey, girls. It's me! Remember?
I saved your lives this morning.

But they pick up broken chunks of concrete and hurl them at Flash.

DEENA/DIANE

(chanting)

Destroy!

Flash ducks as a chunk glances off his noggin.

FLASH

Ow! That's gratitude for you.

More of the Crowd climbs out of the ditch. Flash and Solovar have their back to a high stone wall.

Meanwhile, THE SWAT TEAM fires a MISSILE from the launcher at Green Lantern. The missile strikes Green Lantern's shield on his blind side and EXPLODES.

GREEN LANTERN

(impact grunt)

Green Lantern is driven back by the explosion.

FLASH looks up at the sky and sees two more missiles are already on their way towards a still shaken Green Lantern.

Green Lantern detonates them with beams from his ring, but another missile already heads his way.

Seeing that GL is in trouble, Flash turns to Solovar.

FLASH

Would you excuse me?

Flash zigzags through the crowd like a tailback, faster than anyone can react.

FLASH
 Pardon me. One side. Comin'
 through.

THE SWAT TEAM is reloading the launcher when Flash zips into shot. Suddenly they're disarmed. They react as Flash comes to a stop directly in front of them, holding the Missile he just took away from them. Flash jams the missile back into the launcher, point first.

FLASH
 (helpfully)
 I'd bail, if I were you.

The SWAT TEAM takes his advice, dropping the launcher and scattering like roaches. Flash zooms out of frame just as the discarded launcher EXPLODES.

GREEN LANTERN sees the explosion on the ground, then turns his attention back to the Grandstand, flying towards it.

GREEN LANTERN
 Where's Grodd?

CLOSER ON THE GRANDSTAND

Grodd and Corwin are gone.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GORILLA CITY - JUST OUTSIDE THE SHIELD WALL - DAY

PAN with the Javelin-7 as it skims over the arid African plains. As it approaches the Gorilla mountain, it slows and descends in a VERTICAL LANDING.

As the hatch opens and Diana, J'onn and Hawkgirl step out, they see that Batman and the Batwing are already there. Batman is studying the force field with a device that looks like a geiger counter. He doesn't even look up as they approach.

BATMAN
 There's no question. This energy
 field is identical to the one in
 Central City.

Hawkgirl taps once on the force field with her fist.

HAWKGIRL

Great. We couldn't get through
that one either.

UNSEEN BY THE HEROES

A HIDDEN TURRET rises from the tall grasses behind them and
locks them in its sights.

WONDER WOMAN

And there's still no sign of the
city or its inhabitants. Perhaps
if we --

The Turret BLASTS the heroes with a strange ENERGY BEAM.

J'ONN/DIANA/HAWKGIRL/BATMAN

(cries of pain)

As our heroes slump to the ground, unconscious FADE TO BLACK.

FADE IN:

INT. GORILLA CITY PRISON - DAY

Wonder Woman, J'onn, Hawkgirl and Batman awaken. They are
sitting next to each other on the stone floor, each bound with
arms behind their backs in thick, high-tech "armcuffs" that
completely seal in their forearms together from wrist to elbows.
A GORILLA GENERAL and two GORILLA LIEUTENANTS are watching them.
One Lieutenant is scanning the heroes with a palm pilot-sized,
high tech device.

LIEUTENANT

They are awake, sir.

WONDER WOMAN

Where are we? Who's in charge?

GENERAL

You misunderstand the situation,
intruder. You will answer my
questions.

HAWKGIRL

Sure. Just get us out of these
things.

General puts his face in Hawkgirl's face, holding her chin on the knuckle of one gigantic forefinger.

GENERAL

It is not my policy to allow spies
to roam free.

J'onn stands, muscles bunching as he prepares to burst his bonds.

J'ONN

We are not spies. Nor will you
hold us against our will. We--

The "armcuffs" discharge a painful JOLT OF ENERGY to J'onn.

J'ONN

(cry of pain)

J'onn is driven to his knees as he struggles against the painful energy discharge. Finally he gives out and topples face forward to the ground.

HAWKGIRL

J'onn!

GENERAL

You will find Gorilla City much
more difficult to leave than it
was enter.

Wonder Woman reacts.

WONDER WOMAN

Gorilla City?

General rolls J'onn over with his foot. J'onn is in pain but awake, staring up at him angrily.

GENERAL

Now, let us begin again. Who sent
you?

Batman frowns as he watches. As he shifts his shoulders, PAN DOWN behind his back to reveal that he has managed to get a lock pick from his utility belt. Slowly, his hands feel for the lock.

CUT TO:

EXT. MISSILE BASE - GUARD STATION - NIGHT

Grodd and Corwin land their Rocket Bike at the Guard's Station by the main access road. The GUARD aims his rifle at Grodd

GUARD

Halt! Who goes there?

Grodd saunters confidently over to the guard, Corwin trailing behind. Grodd activates his Helmet. The guard's eyes glaze over with the same energy signature as the helmet.

GRODD

Your lord and master.

Grodd gently pushes the rifle barrel down with his fingertip.

GRODD

Would you be so kind as to direct me to the missile control room?

GUARD

As you wish, Lord Grodd.

Corwin follows as Grodd and the guard walk away from camera towards the military base proper.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. MISSILE BASE - CONTROL ROOM - NIGHT

The CONTROL ROOM is fully-manned by SOLDIERS who are at their posts but who stare off into space as if in a daze. Grodd waits as Corwin finishes punching in codes the master computer.

CORWIN

Launch codes accepted. The nuclear missiles are at your command.

GRODD

Excellent. Enter these targeting coordinates.

Grodd gives her a scrap of paper. She punches numbers from the paper into the computer. The MAIN MONITOR shows CROSSHAIRS adjusting themselves until they settle on a target in Central Africa.

CORWIN

Target locked. Confirming Gorilla
City. All systems are go.

Grodd and Corwin each put a hand on a separate FIRING KEY.
Grodd is holding the SHIELD GENERATOR REMOTE CONTROL in his free
hand.

GRODD

Commence firing sequence...

CUT TO:

EXT. CIVIC PLAZA - CONTINUOUS - NIGHT

SOLOVAR is firing his BLASTER at the ground in front of the
advancing Crowd to slow them down.

SOLOVAR

Flash! I can't hold them off much
longer.

Flash ZOOMS in by his side.

FLASH

How much do you weigh?

SOLOVAR

About 400 of your pounds. Why do
you --

Flash backs up, gets a short running start, then scoops up
Solovar in a Fireman's carry and zips away from the crowd in a
BLUR.

SOLOVAR

(doppler cry)
--aaaasssssk!

AN ALLEY - SEVERAL BLOCKS AWAY

Flash comes to a halt. Winded, he sets Solovar down and tries
to catch his breath.

FLASH

(GASPS)
400 pounds, huh? You sure you did
the math right?

Both react to GREEN LANTERN flying down to land next to them.

GREEN LANTERN
Grodd got away again. But if he
used his Rocket Bike --

Green Lantern sweeps the sky with a broad, searchlight-like beam. It reveals a faint glittering trail heading off into the distance.

GREEN LANTERN
My ring can follow his trail.

FLASH
I've got to get me one of those.

CUT TO:

EXT. MISSILE BASE - GUARD STATION - NIGHT

A flying Green Lantern, towing Solovar in a force field bubble and Flash, running on the ground below, arrive at the Guard's Station. They spot Grodd's abandoned Rocket Bike.

GREEN LANTERN
There! He must be inside.

The Guard exits the Guard Station and fires his rifle at them.

GUARD
Halt! In the name of Grodd!

Nimble dodging, Solovar grabs the rifle barrel and pulls the guard towards him by the rifle. Guard's chin smashes directly into the heel of his opposite hand.

GUARD
(grunt of pain)

Solovar eases the unconscious guard to the ground.

SOLOVAR
Hurry! Before Grodd finds out
we're here.

ALL react to the deafening KLAXON of alarm.

FLASH

Something tells me he already
knows.

GREEN LANTERN

No, that's a launch alert.

Four huge silo hatches in the ground iris OPEN. ICBM's rise out of them on pillars of flame and roar into the black sky.

FLASH

Uh-oh.

Overhead, the SHIELD WALL shimmers open right above the ICBM's. As the missiles streak through the opening, Green Lantern reacts and streaks off in pursuit of the missiles.

GREEN LANTERN

(shouting to Flash)

I'll go after the missiles. You
stop Grodd.

FLASH

Right.

Flash watches as the opening in the Shield Wall CLOSES, just after Green Lantern passes through. Flash considers his mission for a beat.

FLASH

Stop Grodd? How?

CUT TO:

EXT. SKY - DAY

Green Lantern pushes himself to the limit, closing on the ICBM's. He pulls up close beside one of the missiles. Wielding his power ring like a cutting tool, he peels back a section of the rocket's hull, revealing the CONTROL BOX.

Reaching into the control box, he yanks out a fistful of wires, then sharply peels away from the missile.

The ICBM spins out of control, then EXPLODES (NOTE: When the rockets explode, they are NOT nuclear explosions).

Green Lantern watches as the remains of the missile tumble down towards the ocean.

GREEN LANTERN

That's one down.

Then, he turns to fly after the other three missiles, now far ahead of him.

CUT TO:

INT. GORILLA CITY PRISON - DAY

SMACK! The General backhands J'onnn, hard.

J'ONNN

(impact GRUNT!)

Then, the intimidating General leans close to J'onnn's face.

GENERAL

Quit stalling, spy. Tell me who sent you.

J'ONNN

No one sent us.

GENERAL

Lies!

The General roughly shoves J'onnn back on the ground.

GENERAL

I want the truth or you'll all pay most dearly. I'll give you one last chance...

While the General rants, Batman continues to pick at the lock on his shackles. Suddenly, it CLICKS open. Wonder Woman's eyes dart toward him.

However, the General doesn't notice as he turns his attention to Hawkgirl.

GENERAL

Starting with you.

Hawkgirl doesn't flinch.

HAWKGIRL

Take your best shot.

The General pulls his hand back to strike her.

BATMAN (VO)

No!

Suddenly, Batman's bat-bolas whirl in and pin the General's arms to his sides.

GENERAL

What?

The General and his guards turn and see that Batman is free.

GENERAL

Get him!

The guards draw their side arms and FIRE repeatedly at Batman, who dodges. Staying just ahead of the energy bursts, he throws three BATARANGS.

The Batarangs embed in the armcuffs of his fellow Justice Leaguers. Electrical sparks short out the high-tech shackles.

WONDER WOMAN

Thanks.

Flexing her muscles, Wonder Woman breaks free. She grabs one startled gorilla guard and flips him into the other.

GORILLA GUARDS

(impact GRUNT!)

Meanwhile, J'onn also breaks loose, then reaches over and crunches Hawkgirl's bonds in one fist, freeing her.

HAWKGIRL

Let's go.

She picks up her mace and bashes a gaping hole in the wall.

EXT. GORILLA CITY - CONTINUOUS

As our heroes escape from the cell, they fly over a plaza in the heart of the city.

GENERAL (VO)

Security! Stop them!

Batman swings down into the plaza and dashes after the others on foot. Seeing them, the GORILLA BYSTANDERS in the plaza and scatter in terror.

GORILLA BYSTANDERS
 (panicked WALLA)
 Look! Humans! Run for your life!

Wonder Woman reacts, puzzled.

WONDER WOMAN
 What madness is this?

HAWKGIRL
 Let's not wait around to find out.
 Follow me!

But as they reach the edge of the city, they slam hard into the force field.

HAWKGIRL/WW/J'ONN
 (impact GRUNT!)

Momentarily dazed, they fall to the ground with a thud.

BATMAN
 Hawkgirl! Diana!

Batman rushes to them. But before they can fully recover, the General and his guards arrive on rocket bikes and surround them.

GENERAL
 Try to escape like that again, and
 I promise you will regret it.

He smiles as his guards level their weapons at our heroes. Batman frowns; this does not look good.

Suddenly, the shield behind them shimmers as an ALERT KLAXON sounds. The General reacts, alarmed.

GENERAL
 What? The shield wall...

EXT. THE AFRICAN PLAINS - CONTINUOUS

Suddenly, the Shield Wall sputters, then FAILS. General City is revealed in all its splendor.

GENERAL (V.O.)
It's shutting down!

EXT. GORILLA CITY - CONTINUOUS

Sharply, General turns to his lieutenant.

GENERAL
Get it back up, immediately.

The Lieutenant pulls a remote device which resembles the one Grodd has. After punching a few buttons, he checks the read-out screen.

LIEUTENANT
It's not responding. Someone's
overridden the system.

The General frowns with a dawning realization.

GENERAL
Grodd...

Just then, another Gorilla soldier races up on his rocket bike.

GORILLA SOLDIER
Sir! Defense scans have detected
armed missiles heading this way.
What are your orders?

The General hesitates, then sighs resignedly.

GENERAL
Evacuate the city. Immediately!

He turns and briskly walks away. Calling after him, his lieutenant points to the Justice League.

LIEUTENANT
But what about the humans?

GENERAL
I've got bigger problems now.

WONDER WOMAN
Maybe we can help.

The General wheels around and glares at her.

GENERAL

You? What could you possibly do
to save us?

Hawkgirl picks up her mace.

HAWKGIRL

Just watch.

CUT TO:

INT. MISSILE BASE - CONTROL ROOM

Grodd watches the MAIN MONITOR. We can see the arc of four
missiles, one of which stops right outside of Central City.

DR. CORWIN

Missile #1, deactivated.

GRODD

What happened?

Solovar and Flash enter the room from behind Grodd and Corwin.
Solovar is holding his Blaster on Grodd.

FLASH

Best guess? It was my buddy with
the Power Ring.

GRODD

You again?

SOLOVAR

Grodd, you're under arrest for
crimes against Gorilla City.

Grodd points to the monitor.

GRODD

In five more minutes, there won't
be a Gorilla City.

CUT TO:

EXT. THE SKY - DAY

Green Lantern pulls alongside another ICBM.

GREEN LANTERN
C'mon, c'mon ...

Again, he cuts open the CONTROL BOX, then rips out the wires.

He starts to pull away, but this time the rocket EXPLODES before he is completely cleared.

GREEN LANTERN
(pained CRY!)

Stunned, he begins to free fall.

CUT TO:

INT. MISSILE BASE - CONTROL ROOM

The MAIN MONITOR. The arc of the second missile WINKS OUT over the ocean.

DR. CORWIN
Missile #2, deactivated!

SOLOVAR
It's over, Grodd.

GRODD
(roars)
No!

Grodd lunges at Solovar in an insane rage, bowling him over on his back.

SOLOVAR
(impact grunt)

Grodd slaps the gun away from Solovar. Sitting astride Solovar's chest, Grodd punches him in the face with both hands.

GRODD
I won't lose to the likes of you.

Suddenly, Flash blurs in and pulls the helmet down over Grodd's eyes and pats it like a bongo drum.

FLASH
Guess who?

GRODD

What?

Grodd blindly lashes out but Flash zips out of the way.

Angrily, Grodd yanks the helmet off, then reseats it on his head.

GRODD

Where are you, human?

Flash zips back in.

FLASH

You want a piece of me, Chuckles?
C'mon.

Enraged, Grodd lunges at him.

GRODD

(enraged ROAR!)

CUT TO:

EXT. AFRICA - THE SKY

PAN with Green Lantern as he continues to plummet to Earth. As he falls, the rushing wind begins to revive him.

GREEN LANTERN

(waking GROAN!)

He looks down and sees the ground below rushing towards him at a sickening rate.

GREEN LANTERN

Whoa!

He powers up his ring, and pulls out of his fall in the nick of time, nicking off the tops to some trees below.

Determined, he shoots off after the remaining missiles. But as he follows after them, he sees Gorilla City looming up on the horizon.

GREEN LANTERN

No, I'm too late!

But as the ICBMs start arcing down toward the city, J'onn, Wonder Woman and Hawkgirl fly up to meet them.

J'ONN
I've got this one.

He places himself right in the path of an oncoming missile. At the last second, he becomes SEMI-TRANSPARENT and intangible. Then, as the rocket passes through him, he reaches inside it and solidifies his arm.

J'ONN
(straining GRUNT!)

He rends a gaping hole in the side of the rocket and pulls out a handful of wires from the control box. KA-BOOM! The rocket spectacularly explodes in the sky.

Meanwhile, Hawkgirl dives down at the last missile.

HAWKGIRL
(battle cry)

Swooping down like a bird of prey, she bashes the missile with her mace. WHAM! She hits it so hard, the rocket breaks in half.

Wonder Woman reacts as she sees the nose section spiraling down toward the heart of Gorilla City.

WONDER WOMAN
Great Gaia!

She dives down after it.

EXT. GORILLA CITY - THE SKY

In the plaza, the terrified Gorilla Bystanders scatter when they see nose section falling from the sky.

GORILLA BYSTANDERS
(panicked WALLAS)
Look out! It's coming this way!
There's nowhere hide!

Wonder Woman streaks down out of the sky, edging past the falling section.

Then she grabs onto it and pushes with all her might.

WONDER WOMAN
(straining GRUNT!)

She alters the trajectory, but it continues to fall.

CRASH! It rips through the top of one of the city's spires as Wonder Woman continues to struggle with it.

WONDER WOMAN
(more straining GRUNTS!)

The shadow falls over some fleeing gorillas.

GORILLA BYSTANDERS
(frightened CRIES!)

Wonder Woman continues to struggle.

WONDER WOMAN
Hera, give me strength!

With one last Amazonian effort, she pushes against the rocket.

WONDER WOMAN
(big straining CRY!)

She flattens the trajectory so it skims just over the heads of the frightened apes. Then it CRASHES on top of her on the ground in the empty plaza.

Batman runs into the plaza with alarm.

BATMAN
Diana!

Hawkgirl and J'onn land beside him, looking concerned.

There is silence, then the nose section shudders, and Wonder Woman pushes it aside. Although she's a mess, she has the ripped-out wires from the control panel in her hand. The bomb has been disarmed.

WONDER WOMAN
The fates were kind today. Your
city is safe.

From the edges of the plaza, the Gorilla Bystanders CHEER.

GORILLA BYSTANDERS
(enthusiastic CHEERS!)

Nearby, the General sees the crowd's reaction. He quietly nods with approval.

CUT TO:

INT. MISSILE BASE - CONTROL ROOM

The MAIN MONITOR. The arc of the fourth missile WINKS OUT as we watch.

DR. CORWIN
Missile #4, deactivated!

In a blind rage, Grodd lunges again at Flash.

GRODD
I'll rend you limb from limb!

But Flash is too fast and Grodd crashes into a computer bank.

FLASH
Gotta catch me first.

Flash continues dancing, darting this way and that.

GRODD
Stand still and fight me, you simpleton!

FLASH
We could do that. Tell you what...
You ditch the Mind Control Helmet,
and I'll ditch the headband.

A groggy Solovar looks on in shock.

SOLOVAR
Flash, don't!

FLASH
C'mon, gorilla my dreams. Take
off that helmet!

Flash takes off his protective headband and jauntily tosses it aside.

GRODD
 You're a bigger fool than I
 thought.

FLASH
 Oh yeah? Well, you're... naked!

Grodd smiles malevolently.

GRODD
 The world will miss your sparkling
 intellect...

Grodd fingers a control on his Mind Control Helmet. The Helmet hums and crackles with power.

GRODD
 Goodbye, Flash!

The Helmet suddenly SHORTS OUT in a shower of sparks.

GRODD
 (cry of pain)

Grodd grabs his head and collapses to the ground. THUD!
 Concerned, Dr. Corwin rushes to Grodd's side.

DR. CORWIN
 What have you done to him?

Flash smiles and holds out his palm.

FLASH
 Simple. When I pushed the helmet
 down over his eyes, I also crossed
 some wires.

Corwin bends over him and sobs.

DR. CORWIN
 How could you? You've destroyed
 the greatest mind on Earth!

FLASH
 You'll be okay, now that your free
 from his mind control.

Corwin looks at Flash without comprehension.

DR. CORWIN

What are you talking about? He never used that on me. I loved him.

Flash and Solovar exchange surprised looks. Then Flash shrugs.

FLASH

Internet romances, huh? Go figure.

Flash picks up Grodd's REMOTE CONTROL DEVICE, and hits the button.

CUT TO:

EXT. CENTRAL CITY - DAWN

As the sun rises, the Shield Wall drops, revealing Central City in all its glory.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. AFRICAN PLAINS - DAY

PUSH IN on the snow-capped mountain.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GORILLA CITY - CAPITOL STEPS - DAY

The Gorilla General and Solovar are there with Flash, Green Lantern, J'onn, Wonder Woman, Batman and Hawkgirl.

GENERAL

I'm sorry we misjudged you. We can never repay you for all you've done.

Flash modestly shrugs.

FLASH

No biggie. What's going to happen to Grodd?

A somber Solovar starts down the steps, the others follow.

SOLOVAR

I'll show you.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. GORILLA CITY ENCLOSURE

Grodd sits in a cage, like a zoo animal. He holds a banana in one hand, and idly pushes a tire hanging on a rope with his other hand.

GRODD
(gorilla GRUNTS!)

SOLOVAR
The feedback from his helmet completely wiped out his mind.

GREEN LANTERN
I almost feel sorry for him.

Solovar shakes hands with Green Lantern and rests his other hand on Flash's shoulder.

SOLOVAR
You have my solemn word that he will receive the best of care.

As the Justice League walks away from the cage, Flash beams proudly.

FLASH
Not bad, huh? I outsmarted a super genius.

GREEN LANTERN
Guess you're not as dumb as you look.

FLASH
Yeah, and I...

Considers it a beat, then realizes what he just admitted.

FLASH (CONT)
Hey! I resent that. No one makes a monkey out of me!

ON GRODD'S CAGE

Grodd placidly watches the Justice League walk away, then his eyes narrow and he scowls, crushing the banana he holds into his fist.

GRODD
(malevolent GROWL!)

Grodd may not be so harmless after all.

FADE OUT

THE END