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Smallville, 10 years ago...

They lay in each other's arms almost until dawn, as if certain that this was all they would ever have of each other. He was leaving in the morning for parts unknown and she was moving to Star City... Neither knew when they would ever see each other again.

When the first rays of sun began shining through the second storey window of the barn, they finally stirred themselves. He insisted on walking her home, but she couldn't bear it. She kissed him one last time, lingeringly, gently, then left him in that hay loft with the memory of one perfect night...

But Lana Lang's night wasn't over.

It was a short walk from the Kent Farm to her aunt's. There was a dirt road that wound around the fields, but Lana decided to take the shortcut through the wheat. There was a thin lane, and she knew the labyrinth by heart, both she and Clark having used it many times before when they crept from their bedroom windows for late night assignments.

The sun was just coloring the horizon, but the sky was still dark in most places. She could still see the stars above the tall rows of softly susurrating wheat.

Something rustled in the grain nearby. Lana paused, peering through the stalks. It must have been Shelby, Clark's dog. Or maybe it was one of her aunt's cats. She went on, more cautiously.

A second later, there was another disturbance in the wheat. And this one was too big, too loud to be a dog or a cat. There in the pre-dawn hour, in

a wheat field in Smallville, Kansas, Lana Lang saw something not of this world rising in front of her.

She opened her mouth to scream, but the sound died in her throat as she was bathed in the radiance of a purple beam.

She would not remember the hours that followed. At least not consciously. For years afterward, she would have dreams— nightmares, really— of being in a dark place, and of being terrified. Often she woke up screaming, but in her dream, she could only whimper.

In her dream, she was laid flat on a cold, metallic table. All was darkness, but for a glaring light above her, but she could not look away: her head was strapped down, and her eyelids held open by tiny hooks. But she was not alone. She heard the unmistakable sound of animals in cages all around her. Particularly, she always remembered the piercing chittering of a monkey, shaking the bars of its prison.

And there was another. A cold dispassionate face floated in and out of her vision. Was he a scientist? He seemed to be dressed in a long white lab coat, and she always saw him with some sort of instrument in his hands that she didn't recognize.

He frightened her like nothing else. He observed her with a fixed intensity, no expression on his inhuman visage. He seemed to be completely hairless, his skin a pale sickly green. But his eyes... They pierced her like no scalpel could. They peeled away layers of her that she had never shown to anyone, not even Clark.

**Yes: Clark.* His icy, metallic voice echoed in her mind. *The last of his kind. How odd that he should take refuge here... **

In her dream, and tossing restlessly in her bed, Lana felt her heart racing, pounding for surcease as an unreasoning panic arose in her.

"No... " She moaned in her bed— for she could make no such sound on that table, under the merciless gaze of the alien scientist.

You shall be my instrument of conquest over him, human sow.* He leaned in close to her, and she could see the fine mesh netting atop his smooth pate, tiny nodes glowing coldly. *I will give you what you always wanted, what he will not. I will return when the time is ripe, and claim my victory. The universe will tremble before Brainiac.

That's when the screaming began.

Today...

"Connor!"

Lana's shriek echoed in Clark's head. He was already in motion. Moving faster than the eye could follow, he scooped up Lana, Pop and the young couple that were the only two customers in the shoppe, and threw them beneath a table, shielding them with his body, just as Connor's heat vision found and ignited the gas line!

The soda shoppe went up in a ball of fire, the blast immolating nearly everything that wasn't in the radius of Clark's protective embrace.

The roar of the explosion drowned out Lana's screams, but she kicked and flailed against Clark, frantic to go to her son. Flaming tinder bounced harmlessly off his back and shoulders, but he held her and the others down.

Clark risked a glance behind him. He knew Connor would have survived the blast— his evidently Kryptonian physiognomy impervious to harm— but he was not prepared for what he saw. The boy hovered there, his eyes still glowing red, and his face screwed into a fierce expression. His fists were cocked for violence.

"Connor, wait—!" He cried.

But it was too late. The boy flew straight at him, fist first.

His cloths burnt from the explosion and hanging from him in tatters, it was Superman that rose to meet the boy's attack. He braced himself and collected Connor to him like a wide receiver catching a football. The

impact sent them both crashing backward, through the walls of the shoppe and out into the street!

Cars swerved and jammed on their brakes as the two rolled out onto Main Street, Conner kicking and pummeling atop the Man of Steel.

The blows Connor rained down on Superman were powerful enough to pulverize diamonds. Stunned and disorientated, it was a moment before Superman could seize the arms of the furious little boy, halting the attack momentarily.

"Connor, wait! Calm down, son!" He yelled at him, surprised by how hard pressed he was to control the boy's flailing limbs. Above him, Connor Lang fumed and scowled ferociously.

"I can help you." Superman said soothingly. "I can teach you to control all this."

Connor's eyes burned a darker, deeper red. When he spoke, it was not with the voice of a nine year old, but with one that Superman found familiar, though he had heard it only recently.

"Kryptonian fool!" Spat the boy, straddling Superman's chest. "Anything I want from you, I will take!"

The words caught Superman by surprise. In a rush, stunned realization washed over him— he'd been duped. He fixed Connor with his x-ray vision, and instead of muscle, tissue and blood, he saw only gears and servos and cybernetics...

This was not his son— or Lana's!— this was a machine.

Taking advantage of the Man of Steel's momentary confusion, the construct that was Connor wrenched its hands free, and curling them into fists, pounded them hard into Superman's chest!

The blow *hurt*. Superman cried aloud in pain, and rolled, throwing his attacker off of him. Connor wasted no time. It rose into the air, hovering just far enough away to use its heat vision with impunity. He burned a scar across the street, tracing a line to the library on the corner. The

building went up in flames, people scurrying from it like ants from a mound.

Holding his bruised ribs, Superman pulled himself from the ground, squinting up at Connor. He inhaled deeply, despite the pain it caused him, then blew a hurricane-strength gust of wind at the construct that sent it tumbling end over end, out over the horizon. Then, without hesitation, Superman kicked off the ground and flew into the burning library to pull out those trapped within.

When Lois Lane regained consciousness, there was a paramedic leaning over her, and all she could hear was sirens. She raised her head, ignoring the throbbing, and saw the burnt out and smoldering soda shoppe across the street. In fact, another building close by was on fire as well, but the local engine company almost had the flames under control.

She assured the paramedic she was okay, just a bump on the head, and climbed unsteadily to her feet, just in time to see Superman flying off, into the distance. There was a body in his arms.

Hmmm...

He flew her towards the hospital, though she appeared not to have any physical injuries. Lana held him tightly around his neck and sobbed into his shoulder.

"What happened to him, Clark? What happened to my son?"

He swallowed, putting aside for a minute that she had just called him by his real name, and told her gently: "Lana, I don't know how to tell you this... Connor isn't your son. He isn't even human."

She raised her tear-streaked face to look at him, appalled. "What are you talking about?" Her lip quivered. "I've always known there was a chance he'd inherited your powers, but he's still *my son!* Oh, don't look so surprised, Clark! I realized from the first moment I saw Superman on the

TV that you and he were one and the same! And I've always kept your secret, left you to your good work... I always hoped Connor would join you in it one day... " Tears welled anew in her eyes.

They flew through some low-hanging clouds, clinging tightly to each other.

"Lana, think: do you even remember giving birth to Connor? Changing a diaper? A first tooth?" A thought struck him, and he scanned her with his x-ray vision, horrified by what he found. "There's a metal chip attached to the base of your brain, and its molecular composition is not of this planet. I have no doubt that it's been feeding you false memories all this time."

"My son is not a figment of my imagination, Clark!" She raged back at him, disengaging her arms. She pounded on his shoulders and back, her chest heaving with her sobs.

Superman pulled her closer to him. Nothing he could do would comfort her now, except maybe to just be there for her. He knew Connor was no figment of anyone's imagination. He was very real, and very dangerous. But still, he was just a tool, a decoy. Who was the real menace behind what was happening?

Lana was practically catatonic when he laid her in the hospital bed, the nurses in awe at his presence among them.

He kissed her softly on the forehead, then moved to leave.

"Wait... " Came Lana's weak voice.

He turned back, grasped the hand she held up to his, and bent close to hear her.

"I— I have bad dreams... for years now. About this cold, scary man. Only he's not a man. He's an alien. He calls himself Brainiac, I think... And he hates you. He was going to use me to get to you. Oh, no *what have I done... ?*"

Superman caressed her hair, and smoothed her wrinkled brow. "Shhh, Lana. Everything is going to be alright. I'll take care of it."

She managed a smile up at him, then turned her head away, whispering her son's name so softly only he picked it up.

He turned to the nurses. "Please. Take care of her."

They nodded wordlessly, then he was gone, the curtains of the open window fluttering.

He rose up high in the air over Smallville, scanning the town with both his eyes and ears.

The disaster on Main Street seemed to be under control, with both fires now out. And though there was millions of dollars in property damage, no lives had been lost thanks to Superman's quick actions.

Nothing seemed to be out of the ordinary in Smallville. He peered into every abandoned building, every grain silo and bomb shelter, but there was no sign of Connor *or* his mysterious enemy.

I told you before, Kal-El, you will not find me unless I wish it. Came the sinister voice in his head again.

Brainiac!

Indeed. That is how the people of Krypton knew me. On my birthworld Colu, I am called Vril Dox, but I think I prefer Brainiac.

Krypton? Superman was taken aback. **What do you know of Krypton? And what do you want with me?**

Both excellent questions, Kal-El. Brainiac replied. **But not the ones you should be concerned with. Instead you should be asking yourself: if I could so easily manipulate Lana Lang, have I gotten to others who are close to you?**

Superman's blood ran cold. Only one thought ran through his mind: *Ma!*

He dove to earth, streaking across the horizon to the Kent Family farm, Brainiac's mirthless laughter echoing in his ears.

He found her almost immediately in the house, working at the stove and humming to herself. She glanced over her shoulder at him as he burst into the kitchen, concern on his face.

His x-ray vision had already shown him the metal chip in her head.

She smiled at him, stirring a large pot. "You're just in time for dinner, Clark." She said sweetly. "I even made your favorite." She reached into the pot, and pulled something out, turning to face him.

In her outstretched hand was a dripping, green glowing rock.

"Kryptonite stew." She announced proudly, taking a step towards him.

Suddenly awash with nausea, Superman staggered away from her, falling into the living room.

"Ma, no!" He held up his hand to ward her off, but she followed him, seeming to be blissfully unaware of his distress.

"Come now, Clark. Give your mother a hug... "

Already too feeble from exposure to the kryptonite, he stumbled backward, making for the door. He needed to get outside, to put some distance between himself and that rock.

He reached the door, falling heavily against it, and tore it open. There on the front porch, a surprised expression on his face, was Pete Ross. He had been just about to knock...

"Pete, help." Superman gasped, leaning weakly on his oldest friend. "It's Ma, she—."

Hanging from a chain around Pete's neck was another chunk of Kryptonite. Smiling, he undraped it and loped it around Superman's

neck, the Man of Steel now too weak to resist. He fell out of Pete's arms, blacking out before he reached the boards.

When he came to, he was upright but immobile, his arms hanging at his side. His head was still thick from the exposure to the kryptonite radiation, but it seemed to be just a lingering aftereffect; he was in some sort of stasis field.

The room he was in was cavernous and dark. Across from him, he could see both Pete and his Ma, moving about mindlessly, as if involved in menial tasks, apparently unharmed but also unresponsive to his calls. He could just make out a line of pedestals, atop of which were oversized bottles, from which sprouted tubes and wires. All of the bottles seemed to be labeled, but in an alien script he could not read.

He tried to use his x-ray vision, but the stasis field seemed to also have a nullifying effect. He was helpless.

"Ah, you are awake."

The voice was spoken, but it was the same cold and dispassionate one that he had heard twice now in his head.

"I feared you had been over-irradiated, but the Kryptonian capacity to heal under solar rays has proved remarkable indeed."

Hollow steps followed, and a figure walked into dim light directly in front of Superman.

"Brainiac." The word came out like a profanity. "Let them go." He jutted his chin in the direction of his mother and best friend, the most movement he was capable of.

The alien scientist was tall, and dressed in a white lab coat, but beneath that was strange garb of green and purple. His skin was green as well, and atop his smooth, shaved head, was a network of sensory nodes that glowed brightly in the darkness. He regarded Superman as he would a lab rat.

"I think not. I may yet have use for them." The alien scientist said haughtily.

"What do you want?"

Brainiac did not answer at once, choosing instead to scan Superman with some strange-looking handheld device, circling around him to scan him from all angles. After a moment, he appeared satisfied by what he saw, and lowered the scanner.

"Your father was not so petulant." He noted.

"What do you know of my father?" Superman shot back. "Did you put a chip in him, too—."

"I speak of Jor-El of Krypton." Brainiac interrupted brusquely. "He was a worthy adversary, but ultimately shortsighted. I offered him a world, showed him how we could have conquered a universe together. And how did he repay me? He tried to have me shut down. He abandoned me to the tender mercies of the Computer Tyrants of Colu, though my intellect had long since surpassed even theirs."

"I don't understand. How did you know Jor-El?" Superman frowned. "Did you come to Earth to enact some sort of revenge against him on me?"

A small chuckle escaped the alien scientist. "Revenge. It is a useless emotion, and the basest of motivations." He stepped very close to Superman, close to the crackling energy of the stasis field. "No, seeing Krypton die was revenge enough for me. Jor-El will never again interfere in my affairs. My ambition is no less than intergalactic conquest, starting with Earth. And what I could not coerce from the father," At this, he withdrew what appeared to be a ray-gun, sparking with cosmic energy. "I shall the more happily take from the son." He pointed the gun at Superman and fired.

The beam sliced through the stasis field and struck the Man of Steel in the center of the chest. Superman screamed, engulfed in a bright flash of

light— and when the light faded, where the Last Son of Krypton had stood, there remained only a wisp of smoke... !

To be concluded!

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The Adventures of Superman #0 (2005)

The Adventures of Superman: Lost Sons of Krypton, Prelude:
Strange Visitors!

A strange visitor from another planet comes to Metropolis--- and Superman is all that stands in his way! It's a battle royale in the skies and streets of the City of Tomorrow as a mistake from Jor-El's past comes back to haunt his son. And intrepid reporter Lois Lane is onto the story of her career, but can the Man of Steel save her when she goes too far?

The Adventures of Superman #1 (2005)

The Adventures of Superman: Lost Sons of Krypton, Pt. 1: A War of Brothers!

Zod, the Destroyer of Krypton, has come to Earth, and with his Tigris and Hound, the bastard son of Jor-El, at his side, can even Superman stand against him? Meanwhile, Lois plays a deadly game to get to the bottom of the sinister machinations of Lex Luthor!

The Adventures of Superman #2 (2005)

The Adventures of Superman: Kingdom of Zod.

Superman leads a desperate assault on the Antarctic Kingdom of Zod. But even with the aid of an unexpected ally, can the Man of Steel overthrow the might of the Destroyer and his Doomsday Bomb?

Wonder Woman #0 (2005)

Wonder Woman: A Game of Gods and Men, Prelude.

Meet the Amazing Amazon as she hosts a summit of world leaders at Themyscira House--- but danger stalks the hallowed halls as a familiar foe lurks, thirsty for the blood of her enemy Wonder Woman! Meanwhile, on Paradise Island, former USAAF Colonel Steve Trevor becomes embroiled in the deadly affairs of gods and men--- and learns that sometimes they are one and the same!

Detective Comics #0 (2005)

Detective Comics: Lustmord, Prelude.

A wicked new serial killer with a bloody history stalks the night-time streets of Gotham, and no one is safe! Reeling from personal crises, the Dark Knight must confront hidden dangers from his own past and new enemies laying in wait for him... From Crime Alley to Arkham Asylum, Batman is tested by a diabolical mastermind!

Detective Comics #1 (2005)

Detective Comics: Lustmord: Shadows and Fog.

The mystery of the Gotham Ripper deepens as his murderous rampage continues. Batman haunts the streets and shadows, determined to bring the lunatic to justice, but in Arkham Asylum, plots are laid for the Dark Knight's demise!

Detective Comics #2 (2005)

Detective Comics: Lustmord: An Uncommon Fondness for Blood.

With Vicki Vale in the clutches of the Gotham Ripper, Batman must contend with a foe who has studied him for years--- and discovered his secret identity! This is the gruesome conclusion to the Lustmord storyline!

The Immortal Legend of Hawkman #0 (2005)

The Immortal Legend of Hawkman: Under Ancient Stars.

In the days of the pharaohs, in the land of the pyramids, is born a hero for all time! Defying the will of men and gods, Prince Khufu and his beloved Chay-Ara embark upon a destiny filled with triumph and tragedy, sacrifice and murder. With the wizard Nabu and the champion of Shazam who will one day be known as Black Adam at their side, they must use the power of the otherworldly Thanagarian Nth Metal and the gifts of the hawk-god Horus to defeat the villainous immortal tyrant known as Vandal Savage! Born in the fires of war, undying passion and treacherous betrayal, this is a definitive retelling of the ancient origin of the hero who will be known as--- Hawkman!

The Immortal Legend of Hawkman #2 (2005)

The Immortal Legend of Hawkman: Wings of Destiny, Part 2.

The two part origin arc of the Golden Age Hawkman concludes as Carter Hall takes up the mantle of the immortal hero and races against time to save Shiera Saunders from the clutches of the

villainous Dr. Anton Hastor! But first he must survive the attack of the undead Sons of Anubis, and defeat the man who is destined to slay him!

The Immortal Legend of Hawkman #1 (2005)

The Immortal Legend of Hawkman: Wings of Destiny, Part 1.
"Wings of Destiny, Pt. 1" First in a two part origin arc! It is 1938, and the world hovers on the brink of war... Troubled by dreams of past lives, museum curator and archaeologist Carter Hall receives a mysterious package from a lost colleague that sends him across the globe to Egypt, where he will be reunited with an immortal love and encounter an enemy that stalks him through the ages! A hero discovers his destiny as the Golden Age Hawkman is born!

Wonder Woman #1 (2005)

Wonder Woman: The Swords of the Amazons!
As Wonder Woman hunts the Cheetah, Doom's Doorway opens and Themyscira is besieged by the horrors of the underworld! Diana must contend with a deadly and secret mastermind determined to destroy her and all she holds dear!

Teen Titans #0 (2005)

Teen Titans: Friends and Heroes.
Reeling from recent harrowing events in Gotham, Dick Grayson struggles with the decision to hang up his cape and mask forever as he goes off to college in New York City. Joined by Roy Harper and Wally West, the trio have a fateful meeting with the girls who will forever change their lives! Guest starring Wonder Woman!

Wonder Woman #2 (2005)

Wonder Woman: The Rage of Angels.
As the Minotaur leads the Sons of Uranus against the walls of Themyscira and Wonder Woman does battle with Typhon, the Father of Monsters, a more devastating threat comes to Olympus... Nothing will be the same after this issue!

Teen Titans #1 (2005)

Teen Titans: Serpent's Tooth, Part 1 (of 2).
As the team comes together, Wally West is seduced by a mysterious girl with a dangerous secret. The Titans must infiltrate the

church of a fanatical ancient cult to rescue one of their own, but a fierce enemy awaits them: Enter Brother Blood!

Teen Titans #2 (2005)

Teen Titans: Serpent's Tooth, Part 2 (of 2).

The Titans have fallen to Mother Mayhem and a dark messiah is on the brink of awakening! Only Dick Grayson and his new ally, the mysterious and dangerous girl known as Raven, stand in the way of the resurrection of the dreaded... Brother Blood!

New Outsiders #0 (2005)

New Outsiders: What Happens in Vegas...

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A MATURE READERS TITLE.

A gritty and realistic look at vice, corruption and superheroing in Sin City! Meet the New Outsiders---Green Arrow, Black Canary, Huntress, Batgirl, Zatanna, and a driven District Attorney named Adrian Chase, the Vigilante!--- an unorthodox team of heroes banded together to stand against a sinister conspiracy and depraved foes!

New Outsiders #1 (2005)

New Outsiders: House Rules: Luck be a Lady.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A MATURE READERS TITLE.

Things heat up in Vegas as the Vigilante and Huntress face off against each other, and Green Arrow and Black Canary enlist the aid of young college prodigy Barbara Gordon to break into L'Inferno and rescue an old friend from the clutches of the criminal organization, the House, and its cruel mistress, Roulette--- and only Zatanna stands in their way!

New Outsiders #2 (2005)

New Outsiders: House Rules: The Most Dangerous Game.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A MATURE READERS TITLE.

With Black Lightning's life at stake and Green Arrow and Black Canary in the clutches of the House, Batgirl looks for some unlikely allies as she plays a dangerous game with Roulette in the conclusion of the New Outsiders origin arc!

JSA: Legends of the Golden Age #0 (2005)

Justice Society of America: Legends of the Golden Age: The Society, Prelude.

In the dark days before WWII, A Secret Society of Super Villains unleash a masterplan to seize the world in its iron grip of tyranny! But, in the gathering shadows of war, there is a glimmer of hope! The emerging mystery men of America--- Hawkman! the Flash! Hourman! the Atom! Starman! Dr. Fate! the Sandman! and the Amazing Amazon, Wonder Woman!--- rise up in a Justice Society to oppose the evil oppressors! But can even they withstand--- the Spear of Destiny!?!

All-Star Comics #1 (2006)

All-Star Comics: Captain Marvel, Part 1 (of 2).

At last! The history of the World's Mightiest Mortal in the DC2 is finally revealed! The ancient wizard Shazam recalls the career of his champion, even as foes from the past regroup to threaten the world once more. But will there be a Captain Marvel to stand against them?

Action Comics #7 (2006)

Action Comics: Hostile Takeover.

What is Genesis Corporation? Clark and Lois want to know--- and so does Lex Luthor! The Countdown to the Crisis heats up as some major players are revealed and a three-way brawl erupts in the skies over Metropolis!

Action Comics #8 (2006)

Action Comics: For All Mankind...

Crisis: The Apokolips Imperative, Part 9!

Darkseid has assembled nearly all of the components to complete the Anti-Life Equation. Now, Wonder Woman leads a daring mission to the very gates of Darkseid's palace to rescue the Man of Steel and bring hope to the war-torn planet Earth! Don't dare miss this pivotal chapter, as one man shows just what it means to be a hero! You won't believe the shocking ending!

Action Comics #9 (2006)

Action Comics: Return to Smallville, Part 1 (of 4).

In the wake of the crisis, the greatest tragedy of his life brings Clark Kent home to Smallville. But can you go home again? A new

era in the life of the Man of Steel begins here! New dangers await, an old romance is rekindled--- and you won't believe the shocking ending!

Action Comics #10 (2006)

Action Comics: Return to Smallville, Part 2 (of 4).

Reeling from Lana Lang's recent revelation, Clark is forced to re-evaluate his future--- unaware that a secret enemy is lurking and waiting to destroy him! Meanwhile, Lois Lane shows up in Smallville on the trail of the biggest story of her career: the secret identity of Superman!

All-Star Comics #2 (2006)

All-Star Comics: Captain Marvel, Part 2 (of 2).

Billy Batson has no time to adjust to his new role as Captain Marvel as the Monster Society of Evil unleashes their attack upon Fawcett City! And not even the wizard Shazam is safe when the villains storm the Rock of Eternity and a new, deadly fiend is born!

Wonder Woman #8 (2006)

Wonder Woman: Hell Hath No Fury...

All-Star Comics #5 (2006)

All-Star Comics: Martian Manhunter.

Snatched across time and space by the machine of Dr. Erdel, J'onn J'onzz is the Last Son of Mars, a dead planet wasted by a telepathic plague created by his own brother. On Earth, he is the Martian Manhunter, a crusader for justice in the years after the JSA retired and before the advent of Superman. Now, hoping to at last find his place on his adopted homeworld, he is John Jones, Private Investigator--- but his quiet retirement is at an end when a beautiful dame walks into his office with legs to kill for and a fiery disposition...

Rogues Gallery #1 (2006)

Rogues Gallery: Catwoman: Hot Tin Roof.

A wave of cat burglaries sweeps through Gotham's elite society! But as the Crown Jewels of Bahdnesia come to the city, can the beautiful socialite Selina Kyle resist the lure? Sparks fly when

Batman comes face to face for the first time with the deadly feline fatale, Catwoman!

DC2 Special #1: An Arkham Christmas Carol (2006)

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Wonder Woman #4 (2006)

Wonder Woman: The Eye of the Storm.

The true enemy is at last revealed, and the gods of Olympus discover there is a traitor among them! Meanwhile, the war on Paradise Island comes to a turning point as mysterious new arrivals appear--- but are they friends or foes? And in the end, Diana must set out upon a new quest to save everything she holds dear...

Wonder Woman #5 (2006)

Wonder Woman: The Quest for the Syrinx.

Nemesis is awake, and destined to bring about the end of the cosmos! Only the Syrinx, the Pipes of Pan, can stave off the inevitable fate of the universe, and now Diana, Hippolytus and Steve Trevor set off on a quest to the isle of the witch to find the legendary artifact. But will Circle prove Wonder Woman's most implacable foe yet?

As the traitor to Olympus makes his next move, the gods brace themselves for the final assault of the Furies!

Wonder Woman #3 (2006)

Wonder Woman: Horns of Doom.

Both Olympus and Paradise Island are reeling from the cataclysmic events of last issue, and the true enemy is at last revealed! Be here when Wonder Woman and the Minotaur face off at last under the walls of Themyscira!

Wonder Woman #6 (2006)

Wonder Woman: The Isle of the Witch.

The Quest for the Syrinx continues! As Wonder Woman confronts her old enemy, the witch Circe, the plots and machinations of all the players start to become known: friends are not who they seem and the true plans of the Olympian traitor are revealed as the

Game of Gods and Mortals hurtles towards it's epic conclusion next issue!

Wonder Woman #7 (2006)

Wonder Woman: Down the Widening Gyre.

Wonder Woman must journey into the Underworld to retrieve the Mask of Hecate for Circe, as time is running out! Even the Gods of Olympus prepare to meet their end as Nemesis, She Whom None Can Escape finally rises to work her terrible will, and the final moves of the Game of Gods and Mortals are played out! The Olympian traitor is revealed--- and his masterplan at last is clear!--- in this penultimate chapter of the epic storyline that began in Issue 0!

Wonder Woman #9 (2006)

Wonder Woman: Armageddon Aria.

The war is over and Wonder Woman is faced with a host of new problems: what to do about the war-like Lost Amazons, who will rule Paradise Island--- and who wants her to get... married?!? And Godfrey's Glorious Crusades reaches fever pitch as a deadly new foe is unleashed upon Diana--- and leads directly into next month's crisis!

Wonder Woman #10 (2006)

Wonder Woman: Darkseid Is.

Crisis: The Apokolips Imperative, Part 13!

At long last, the Anti-Life Equation is within the grasp of the Lord of Apokolips! The world's greatest heroes come together for the first time--- to destroy each other! Don't miss the epic battle as Wonder Woman stands alone against a world turned against her!

JSA: Legends of the Golden Age #1 (2006)

JSA: Legends of the Golden Age: Attack of the Giant Nazi Robots!

It's mayhem at the 1939 Worlds Fair in New York, as Baron Blitzkrieg attacks the greatest gathering of scientific minds in the world, and the Secret Society of Super Villains continue their quest for the Three Holy Artifacts!

This is it! The birth of the JSA!

Teen Titans #10 (2006)

Teen Titans: Forever and Never, Amen!
Crisis: The Apokolips Imperative, Part 7!
The city of Metropolis teeters on the edge of an uneasy peace as the truce between Lex Luthor and Darkseid begins to break down. Who are the Forever People and what happens when they turn the city of refugees against the Titans? Bedlam ensues!

Justice League #0 (2006)
Justice League: Justice Falls.
Crisis: The Apokolips Imperative, concludes!
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