



**PREPAREDNESS 101:**

# **ZOMBIE PANDEMIC**



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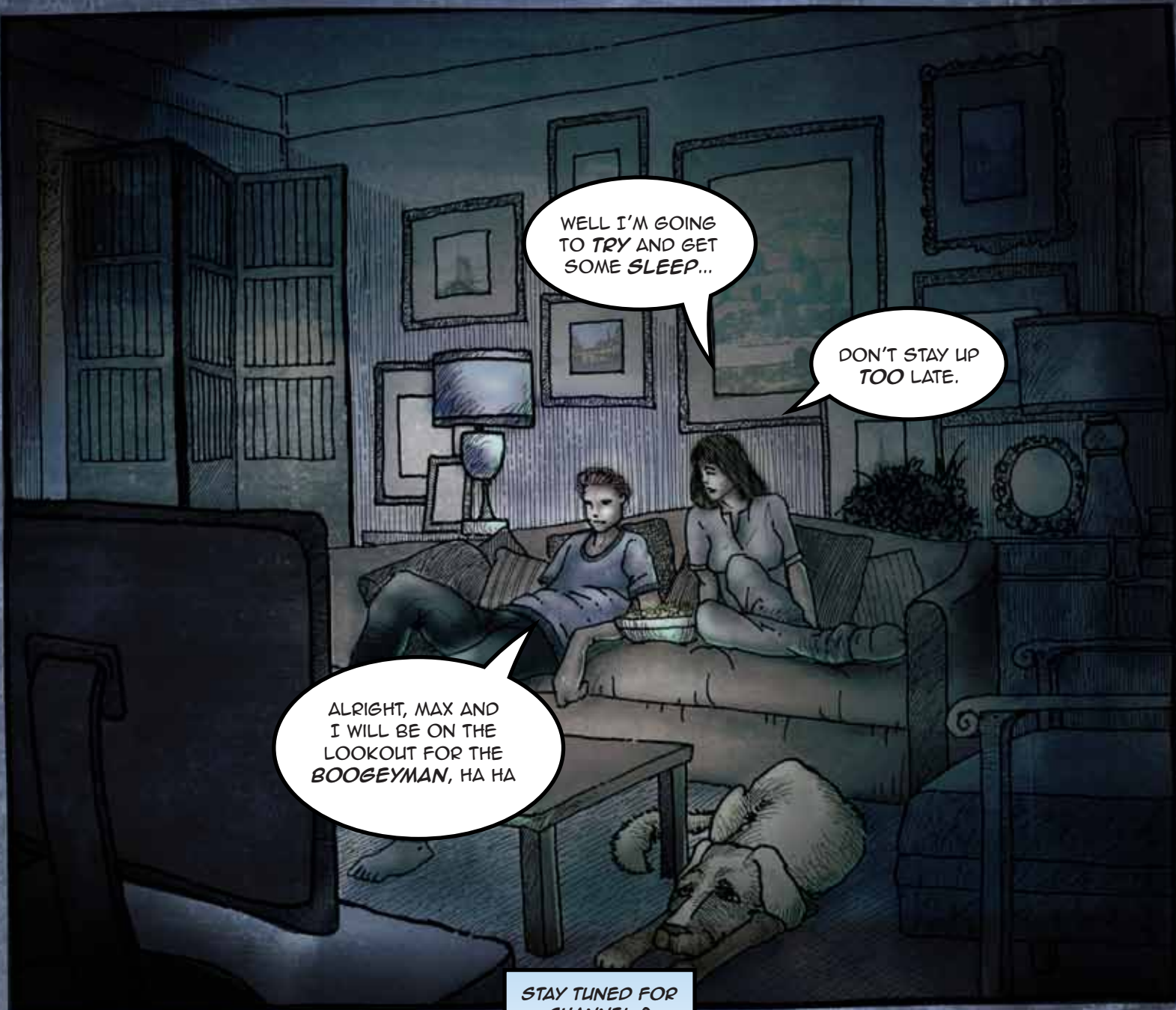


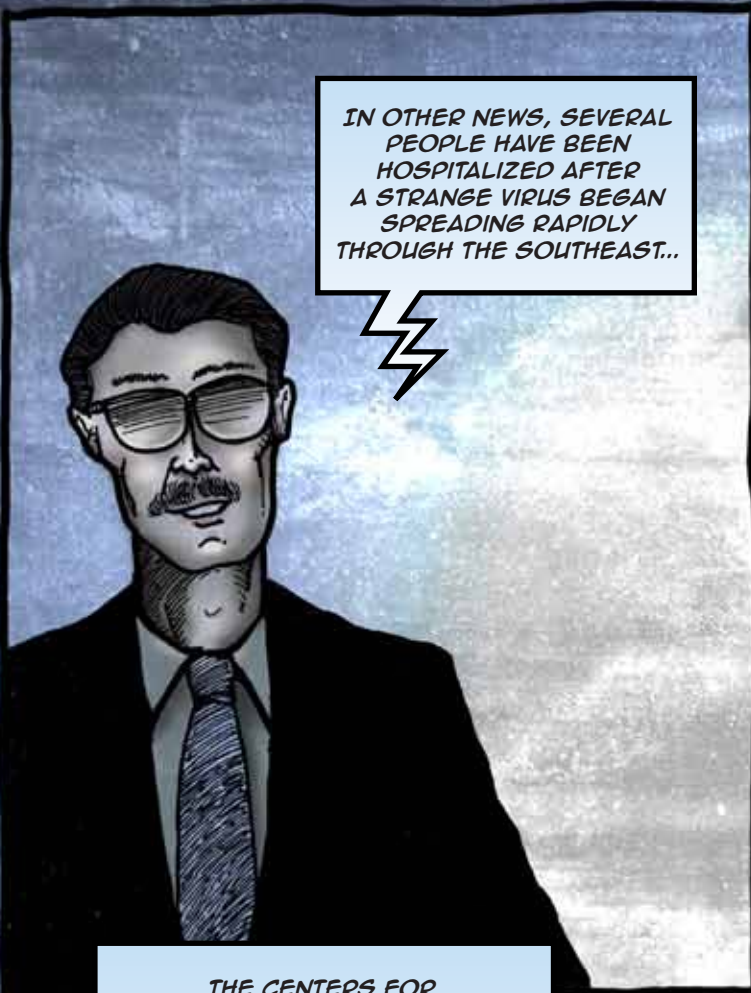


I GET TO PICK THE *NEXT* MOVIE! THAT ONE'S GOING TO GIVE ME *NIGHTMARES*.

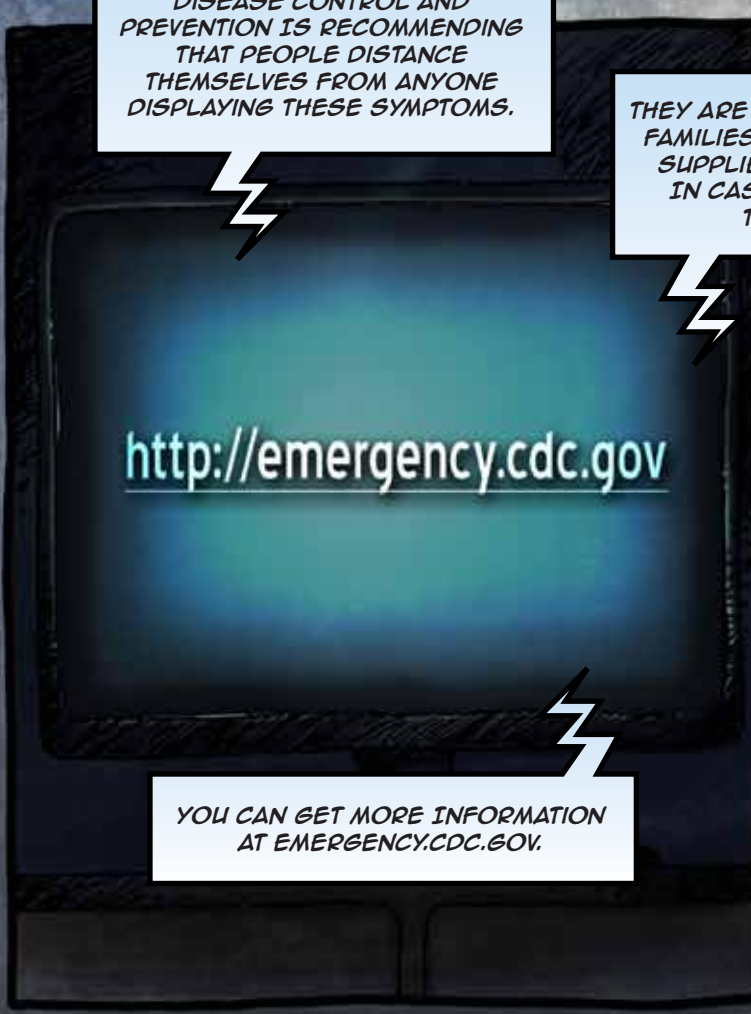
OH YOU'RE SUCH A *BABY*, IT WASN'T *THAT* SCARY. YOU KNOW THAT KIND OF STUFF WOULD NEVER *REALLY* HAPPEN.

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IN OTHER NEWS, SEVERAL  
PEOPLE HAVE BEEN  
HOSPITALIZED AFTER  
A STRANGE VIRUS BEGAN  
SPREADING RAPIDLY  
THROUGH THE SOUTHEAST...



THE CENTERS FOR  
DISEASE CONTROL AND  
PREVENTION IS RECOMMENDING  
THAT PEOPLE DISTANCE  
THEMSELVES FROM ANYONE  
DISPLAYING THESE SYMPTOMS.

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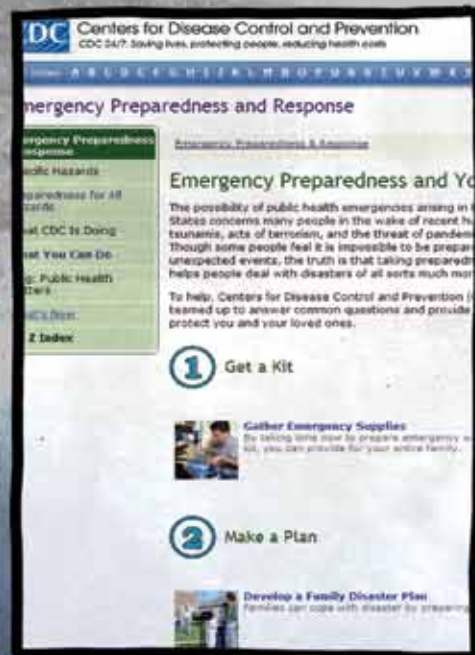
HUH?!

SCIENTISTS HAVEN'T IDENTIFIED  
THE VIRUS YET, BUT SYMPTOMS  
INCLUDE SLOW MOVEMENT, SLURRED  
SPEECH, AND VIOLENT TENDENCIES...

THEY ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING  
FAMILIES GATHER EMERGENCY  
SUPPLIES AND MAKE PLANS  
IN CASE THEY ARE ASKED  
TO EVACUATE...



EMERGENCY  
SUPPLIES,  
EVACUATION...  
WHAT'S GOING  
ON MAX?



NEXT, THE PAIR GO DOWN TO THE BASEMENT.

MAN I FORGOT I *HAD* THIS. IT *USED* TO BE MY DAD'S.

HE WAS *ALWAYS* LISTENING TO THE WEATHER REPORT WHEN STORMS CAME THROUGH. GUESS WE'LL ADD IT TO THE *SUPPLIES!*

WELL IT LOOKS LIKE WE'VE GOT *ALMOST* EVERYTHING, MAX... WATER, FOOD, RADIO, FLASHLIGHT...

Water  
Food  
Flashlight  
Battery-powered or hand-crank radio  
Extra batteries  
First aid kit  
Medications and medical items  
Multi-purpose tool  
Sanitation and personal hygiene items  
Copies of personal documents  
Cell phone with chargers  
Family and emergency contact information  
Extra cash  
Emergency blanket  
Map(s) of the area  
Medical supplies (hearing aids with extra batteries, glasses)  
contact lenses, syringes, cane)  
Baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers)  
Games and activities for children  
Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl)  
Extra set of car keys and house keys  
Manual can opener  
Medical masks

OH YEAH, BUDDY. I GUESS I NEED TO ADD SOME OF *YOUR* STUFF TOO.

U R R R U F F F!

DOG  
FOOD

DOG DOG DOG





LET'S SEE WHAT ALL THE **RACKET** IS ABOUT.



MEOOOWWWRR!!!

SNOWBALL,  
WHAT ARE  
YOU *DOING*?



PPFFT!

RRRRRRR!



DID MRS. CLEMENTS  
LET YOU *OUT* AGAIN?  
YOU KNOW YOU'RE  
**NOT** SUPPOSED TO  
RUN OFF LIKE THAT.

MAX, LEAVE  
SNOWBALL ALONE!



RRRR!



JUST THEN THE DULL SOUND  
OF SHUFFLING AND MOANING  
CAN BE HEARD FROM OUTSIDE.

NOW WHAT?



UUUURRRR!



HELLO... ?



UH... MRS. CLEMENTS...?





GARR!

LET GO!



LATER,  
MRS. CLEMENTS!

URP!



SLAM!

WHAT IN THE WORLD  
IS GOING ON  
DOWN THERE?



LURRRM!  
GRR..GLURP..!

TODD...?



SOMETHING  
WEIRD IS  
HAPPENING!



I'M PRETTY  
SURE MRS.  
CLEMENTS  
WAS TRYING  
TO **ATTACK**  
HER OWN  
CAT, AND  
SHE JUST  
NEARLY  
GOT ME!

NO, I'M **SERIOUS**  
THERE'S A WEIRD  
VIRUS GOING AROUND,  
LOOK AT THE **NEWS**...

WHAT ON  
EARTH ARE  
YOU **TALKING**  
ABOUT? MRS.  
CLEMENTS IS  
A **SWEET** OLD  
LADY. SHE  
WOULDN'T  
HURT A FLY.  
I THINK YOU  
GOT A LITTLE  
**TOO** INTO  
THAT MOVIE.



QUARANTINE EFFORTS HERE IN RALEIGH HAVEN'T DONE MUCH TO CONTAIN THE SPREAD OF THE VIRUS. OVER HALF THE CITY IS NOW INFECTED AND NEW CASES ARE SHOWING UP THROUGHOUT THE SOUTHEAST.

BACK TO YOU IN THE STUDIO SAMANTHA.



THIS IS A VERY GRAVE AND DANGEROUS SITUATION. THE GOVERNOR HAS DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND HAS ACTIVATED THE NATIONAL GUARD. THE GOVERNOR IS URGING EVERYONE WHO IS NOT SHOWING SYMPTOMS TO STAY IN THEIR HOMES AND KEEP THEIR DOORS LOCKED.



NEWS

THE CDC IS WORKING WITH LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS ON A VACCINE. UNTIL THEN... BUNKER DOWN AND DON'T GO OUTSIDE UNLESS YOU HAVE TO!



WHAT?!

I THOUGHT YOU SAID STUFF LIKE THIS ONLY HAPPENED IN THE MOVIES! WHAT IS GOING ON TODD?!



I DON'T KNOW BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE WE BETTER SIT TIGHT. MAX AND I GOT SOME SUPPLIES TOGETHER EARLIER.

MAYBE WE SHOULD JUST SLEEP DOWN HERE TONIGHT.

TWEEP!

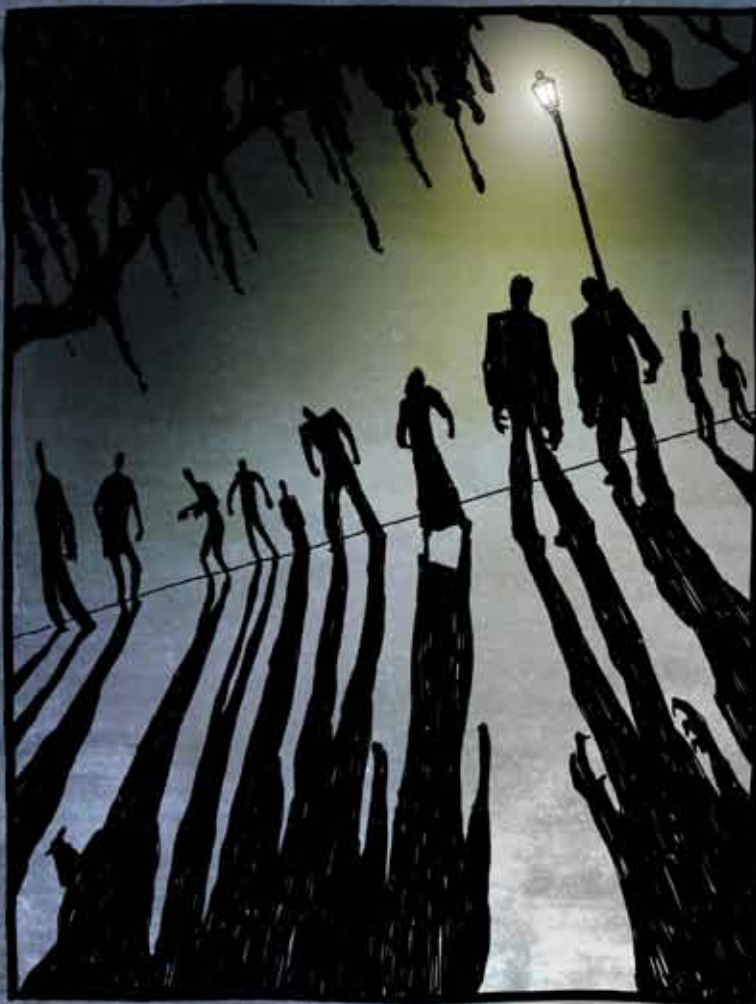


MINUTES LATER TODD AND JULIE HAVE SET UP SLEEPING BAGS AND TURNED ON THE RADIO.

...WARNINGS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR DOZENS OF COUNTIES ABOUT STAYING INSIDE AND AREA HOSPITALS ARE BEING OVERRUN...



OH MY GOSH!





MAX, I THINK WE BETTER TURN ON THE TV...



NOTHING BUT *SNOW*.  
LET'S TRY  
THE RADIO...

UHM.. TODD...  
WHAT'S GOING ON NOW?

STAY IN YOUR HOMES. DO NOT GO OUTSIDE. IF YOU OR YOUR FAMILY BEGIN SHOWING SYMPTOMS SUCH AS SLOWED MOVEMENT, SLURRED SPEECH, OR VIOLENT BEHAVIORS. ISOLATE THEM TO A SECURE AREA OF THE HOUSE. STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHERE TO GO... STAY IN YOUR...



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TO BE CONTINUED...

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## **PART 2**



SEVERAL DAYS LATER AT THE CENTERS FOR  
DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION IN  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA...



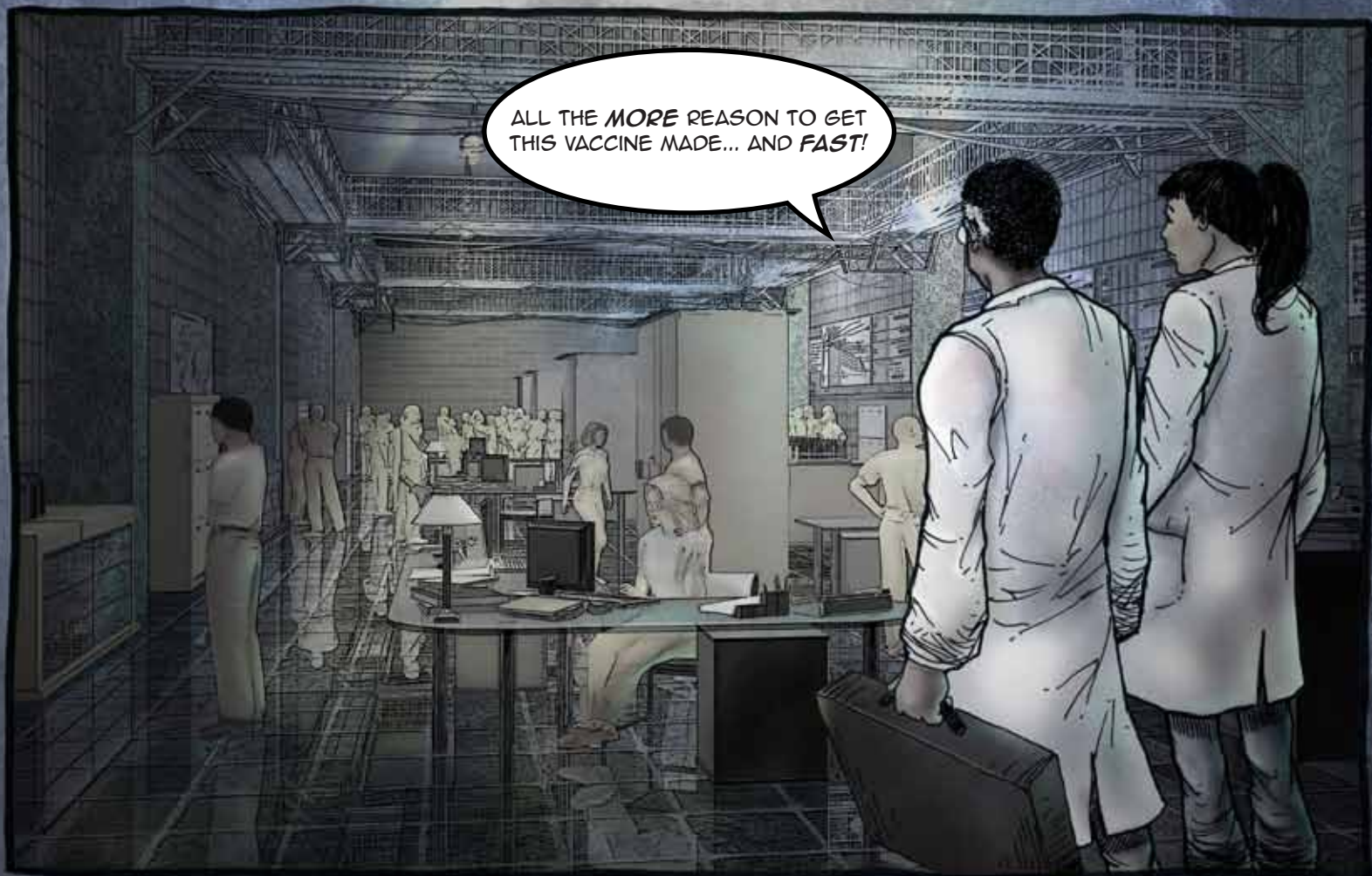




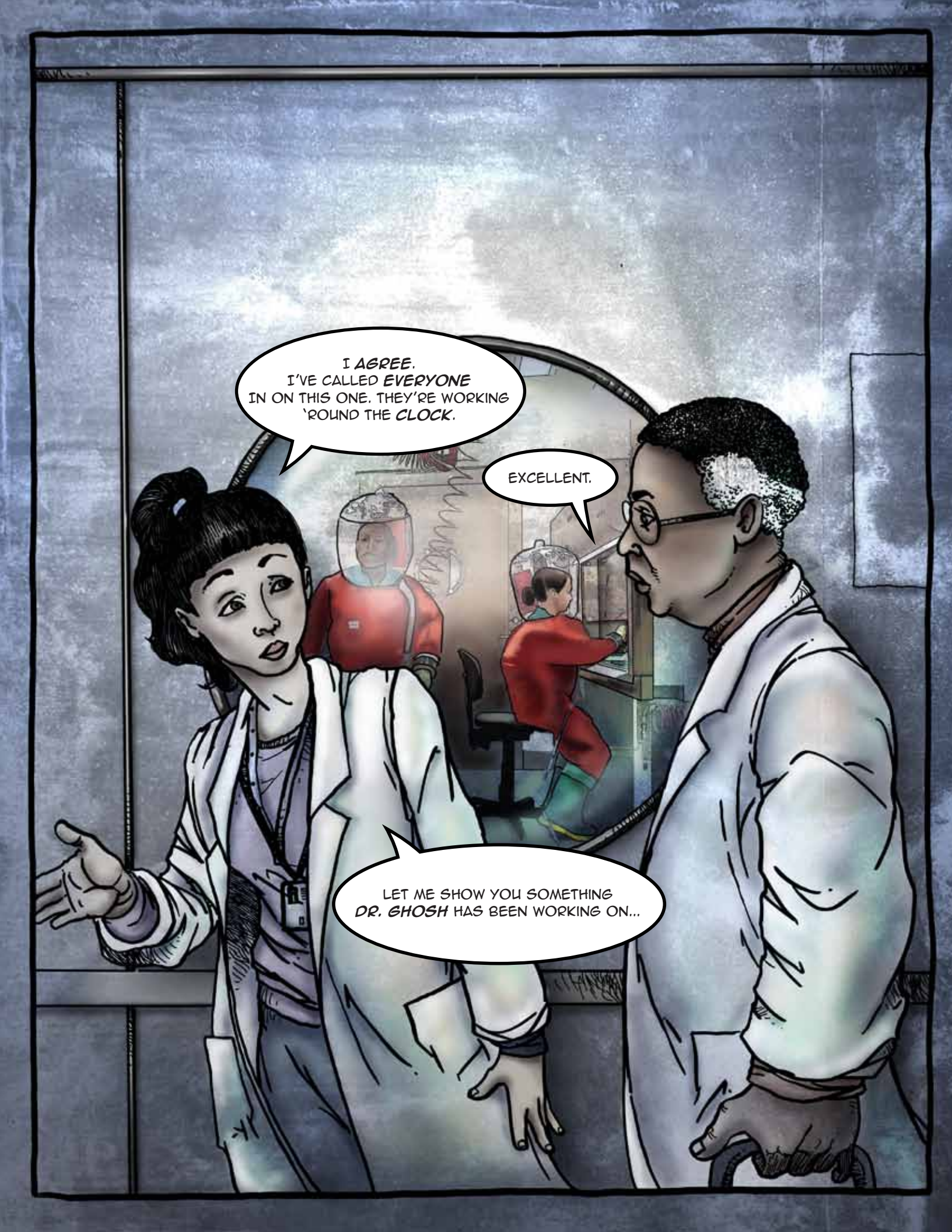
NO SIR... THE FIELD STAFF  
ARE **STILL** TRYING TO INVESTIGATE  
WHERE IT STARTED...

BUT SEVERAL OF **THEM** HAVE  
NOW BECOME INFECTED.

THE ZOMBIE VIRUS  
IS SPREADING  
RAPIDLY INFECTING 21  
PEOPLE FOR EVERY  
INFECTED PERSON.



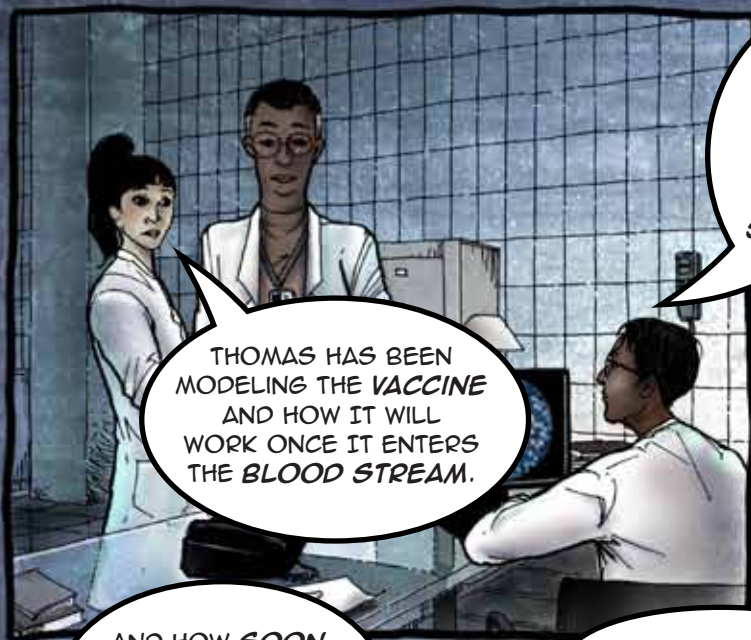
ALL THE **MORE** REASON TO GET  
THIS VACCINE MADE... AND **FAST!**



I AGREE.  
I'VE CALLED **EVERYONE**  
IN ON THIS ONE. THEY'RE WORKING  
'ROUND THE **CLOCK**.

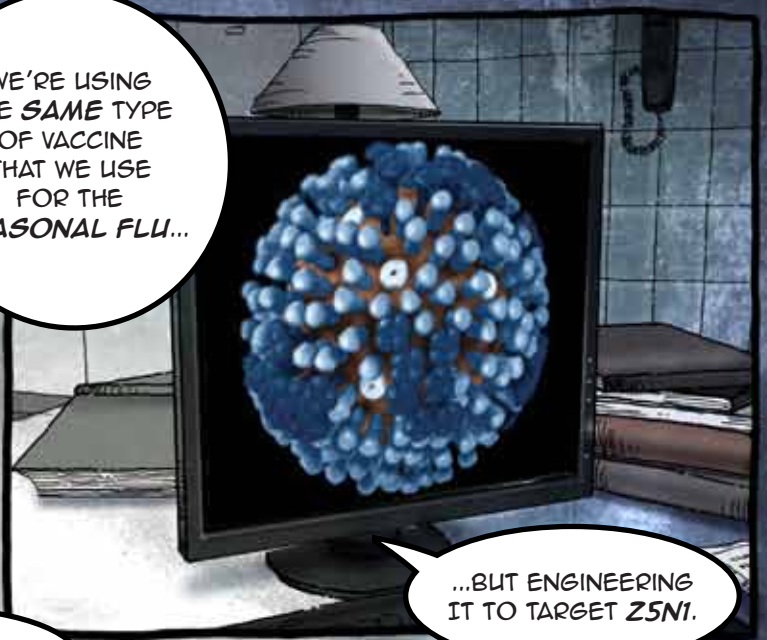
EXCELLENT.

LET ME SHOW YOU SOMETHING  
**DR. GHOSH** HAS BEEN WORKING ON...



THOMAS HAS BEEN MODELING THE **VACCINE** AND HOW IT WILL WORK ONCE IT ENTERS THE **BLOOD STREAM**.

WE'RE USING THE **SAME** TYPE OF VACCINE THAT WE USE FOR THE **SEASONAL FLU**...



...BUT ENGINEERING IT TO TARGET **Z5N1**.

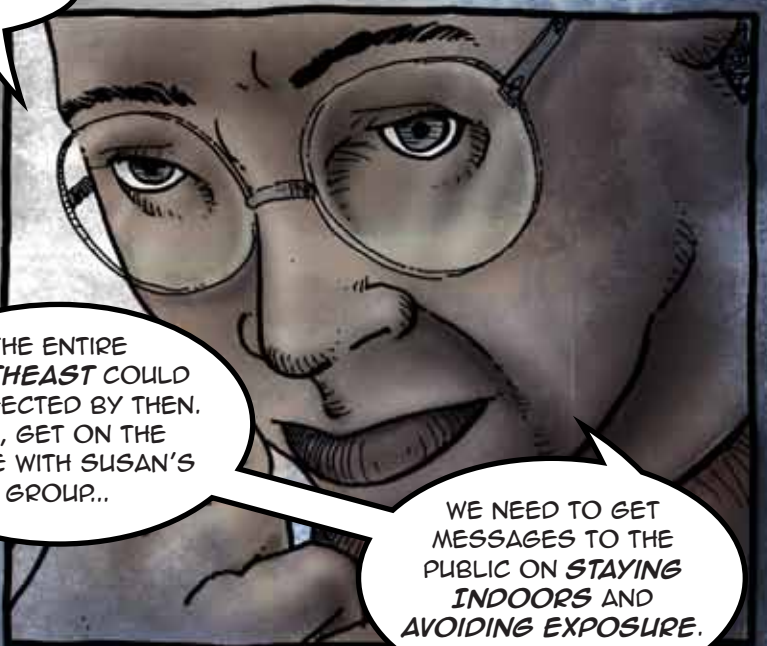
AND HOW **SOON** WILL WE BE ABLE TO DISTRIBUTE THIS VACCINE?

ANOTHER **WEEK**?!!



IT'S GOING TO TAKE AT **LEAST** ANOTHER WEEK TO GET THE FIRST BATCH OUT.

THE ENTIRE **SOUTHEAST** COULD BE INFECTED BY THEN. KIM, GET ON THE PHONE WITH SUSAN'S GROUP...



WE NEED TO GET MESSAGES TO THE PUBLIC ON **STAYING INDOORS** AND **AVOIDING EXPOSURE**.



I'LL GET **RIGHT** ON IT, DR. GREENE.

NO, SIR...

THOMAS, HAVE YOU TALKED TO **STOCKPILE**, YET?

BUT THEY NEED TO START MOVING SUPPLIES OUT TO THE STATES AS **SOON** AS THE VACCINE IS READY.

INDEED, THEY'RE GOING TO BE **BUSY**. I'LL MAKE A CALL TO **HUDSON** AND LET HIM KNOW WHAT'S COMING.





YES, THIS IS  
*DR. KHAN*.  
NO, TELL *CNN*  
I'LL CALL  
THEM BACK  
LATER...

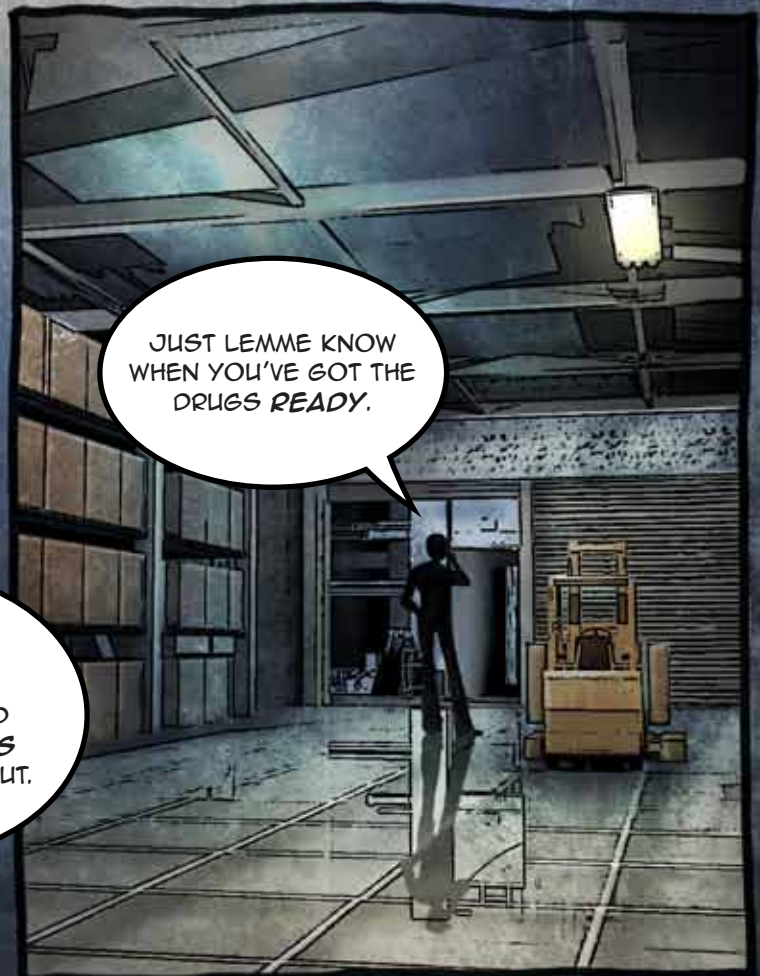
*STRATEGIC NATIONAL  
STOCKPILE... HUDSON  
SPEAKING.*

HUDSON, IT'S *GREENE*,  
TIME TO ROUND  
UP THE *TROOPS*.



WE'RE GOING TO  
HAVE A VACCINE READY  
TO GO IN A *WEEK* AND  
WE'LL NEED *YOUR TEAM*  
TO SHIP OUT ALL THE MEDS  
AND SUPPLIES THAT  
GO WITH IT.

*ROGER THAT.*  
I'LL SEND THE  
ALERT OUT TO  
THE STATES AND  
GET THE *TRUCKS*  
READY TO SHIP OUT.



JUST LEMME KNOW  
WHEN YOU'VE GOT THE  
DRUGS *READY*.

MEANWHILE BACK AT TODD AND JULIE'S...

WE'RE ALMOST  
OUT OF **FOOD**.  
IT'S BEEN  
ALMOST A **WEEK**,  
TODD, AND WE  
HAVEN'T LEFT THE  
**HOUSE**!

SOMETHING'S ON  
THE RADIO...

...CONTINUES TO SPREAD.  
CDC IS URGING EVERYONE  
TO PRACTICE ISOLATION.  
STAY IN YOUR HOMES.  
IF YOU MUST LEAVE, GO DIRECTLY  
TO A DESIGNATED SAFE ZONE.

VACCINES WILL BE SHIPPED  
TO THE SAFE ZONES  
AS SOON AS THEY ARE READY.  
STAY TUNED FOR A LIST OF SAFE  
ZONES IN YOUR AREA...

DO YOU THINK THEY  
HAVE **FOOD** AT ONE  
OF THESE SAFE ZONES?

WE NEED TO GET  
SOME **FOOD**!

THEY **MUST**.  
WHY ELSE WOULD  
THEY TELL PEOPLE  
TO GO THERE?

ALRIGHT... BUT HOW  
ARE WE GOING TO  
GET OUT OF **HERE**?

SPAULDING ELEMENTARY, MLK  
COMMUNITY CENTER AND  
JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL.  
PETS ARE WELCOME AT  
LEE ELEMENTARY IN WAYNE  
COUNTY...

THAT'S **US**!  
LEE ELEMENTARY...  
AND YOU CAN COME  
**TOO**, MAX!

RARF!





WE'RE GONNA HAVE TO MAKE A *RUN* FOR IT. THEY SEEM TO BE *SLOWER* IN THE DAYTIME...

...AND THE *CAR'S* NOT TOO FAR AWAY.



ALRIGHT, LET'S PACK A COUPLE BAGS AND GET *MOVING*! IT'S GOING TO BE DARK SOON AND I DON'T WANT TO BE STUCK *OUTSIDE* WITH THOSE THINGS!



I'VE GOT WATER, THE LAST OF THE FOOD, A BLANKET, FLASHLIGHT AND THE RADIO...

LET ME GET MAX'S LEASH ON AND I THINK WE'RE *READY*.

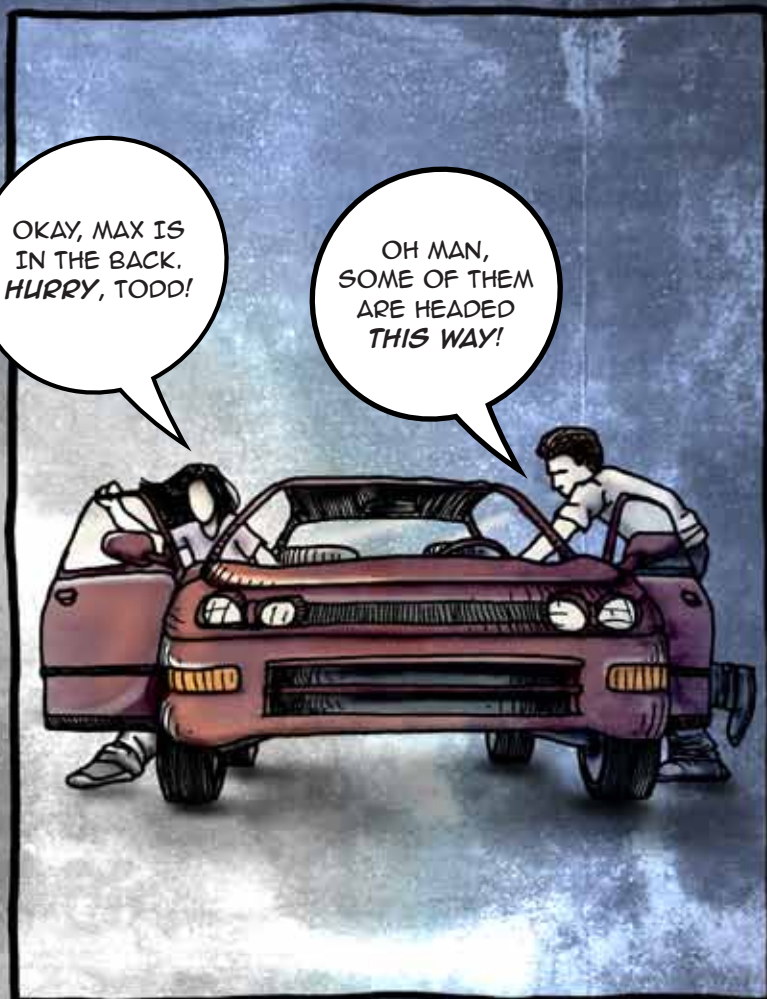


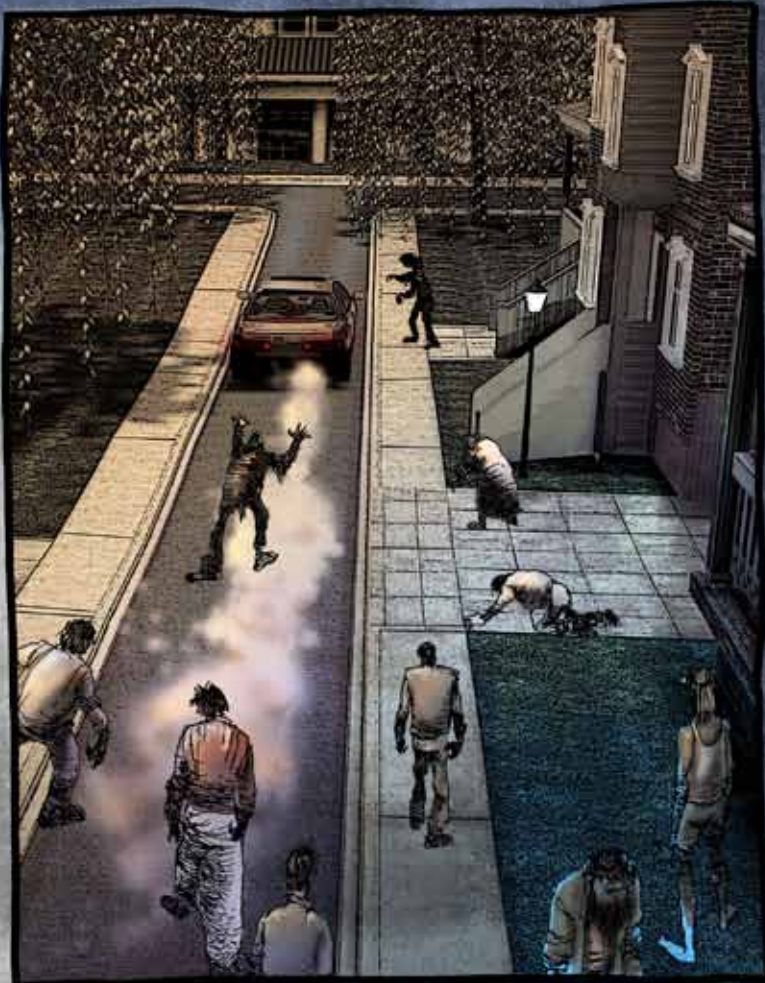
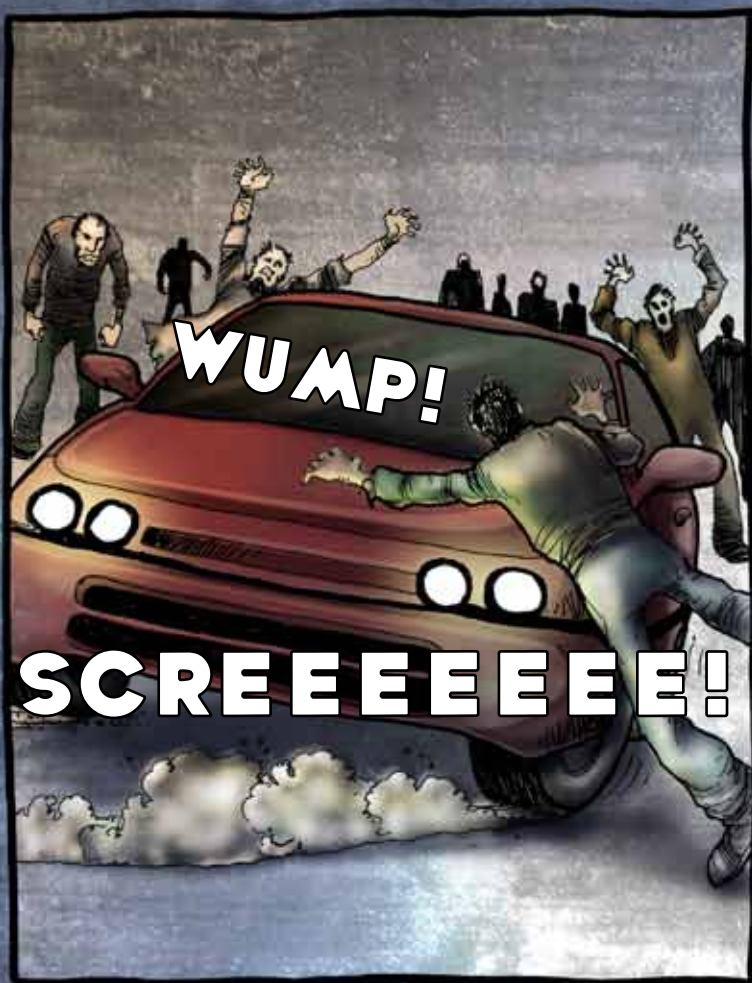
THE COAST IS ALMOST CLEAR. THERE'S *ONE* ZOMBIE JUST PASSING THE DRIVEWAY...

OKAY, AS SOON AS THIS GUY GETS OUT OF THE WAY, I'LL TELL YOU WHEN TO GO.

RRRRRRR

AND YOU GOTTA *RUN*!





JULIE, TODD AND MAX RACE THROUGH TOWN  
TO REACH THE SAFE ZONE...

THE STREETS  
ARE *EMPTY*!

I GUESS MOST OF THEM  
GO INTO *HIDING* DURING  
DAYLIGHT.

YOU FOLKS MADE IT JUST IN TIME.  
WE *LOCK UP* AT DUSK AND DON'T  
RE-OPEN UNTIL THE MORNING.

GO ON INSIDE,  
GET SCREENED,  
SIGNED IN  
AND THEY'LL  
GIVE YOU  
SOME FOOD AND  
A PLACE TO SLEEP.

WE MADE IT!  
LEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...  
WHAT A *SIGHT* FOR SORE EYES!

KPUTT!

PUTT!

PUTT!

PUTT!

AND JUST IN *TIME*...  
THE CAR'S SPUTTERING OUT.

## NOTICE

BY ORDER OF THE  
WAYNE COUNTY  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT:  
ALL PERSONS WISHING  
TO ENTER THE SAFE  
ZONE, MUST BE  
SCREENED PRIOR TO  
ENTRY.

I'M **NURSE EVANS**... JUST FOLLOW ME SO WE CAN GET YOU BOTH SCREENED WITH A SIMPLE **BLOOD TEST**.



TODD, JULIE AND MAX FOLLOW THE NURSE TO THE MAKE-SHIFT LAB THAT HAS BEEN SET UP...



LATER, HAVING BEEN SCREENED FOR THE VIRUS, JULIE AND TODD ARE CLEARED AND ALLOWED TO ENTER THE GYMNASIUM WHICH HAS BEEN CONVERTED INTO A SHELTER...



OKAY, MAX, LET'S  
SEE WHAT'S  
HAPPENING  
OUTSIDE.



... CDC SHIPPED OUT ITS FIRST  
SUPPLY OF VACCINES AGAINST THIS  
NOVEL VIRUS THAT HAS BEEN  
RAVAGING THE NATION.  
THE FIRST ROUND SHOULD REACH  
SAFE ZONES AS EARLY AS  
THIS EVENING...



WHAT?!

WE'RE SAVED?!  
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

VACCINES?!

HEY FOLKS, THE  
VACCINES ARE ON  
THEIR WAY!

YAY!!



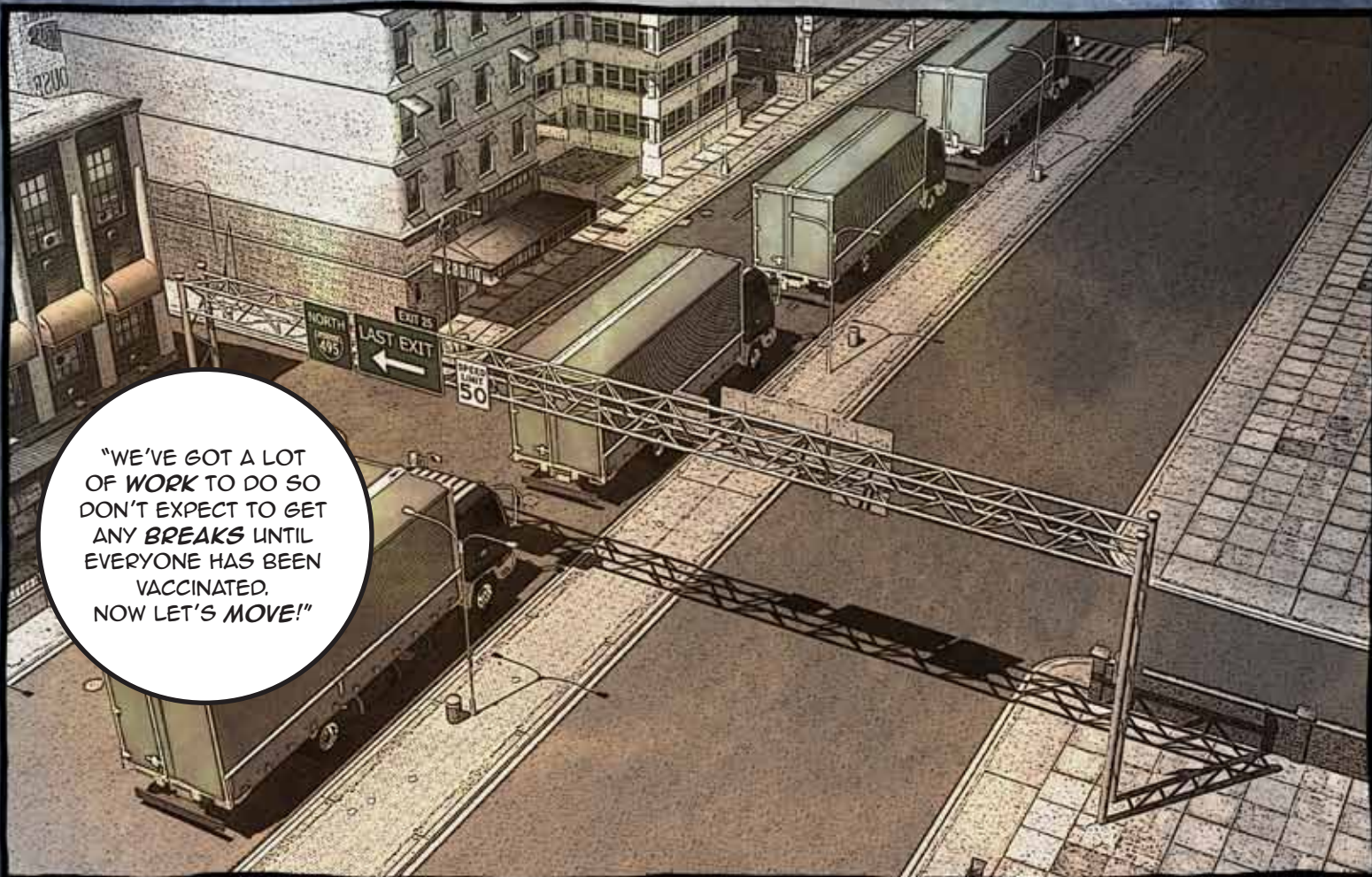
WHILE THE SHELTER ERUPTS IN CHEERS, HUGS  
AND TEARS OF RELIEF... OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL'S  
PROTECTIVE FENCE, SHADOWY FIGURES ARE  
CLOSING IN...



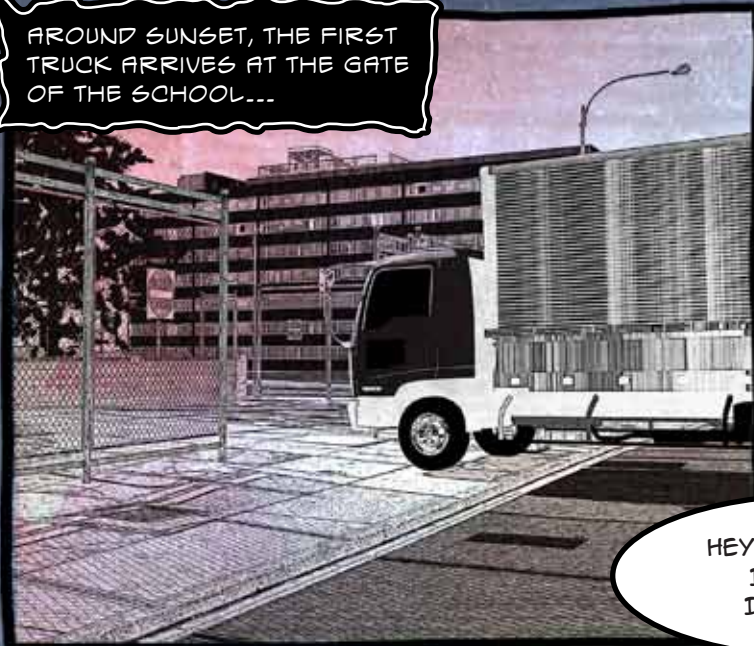
MEANWHILE BACK AT THE  
NATIONAL STOCKPILE  
WAREHOUSE...

ALRIGHT FOLKS, *LISTEN UP...*  
AT 0600 WE START SHIPPING OUT  
THE FIRST ROUND OF *VACCINE*  
AND *SUPPLIES* TO THE STATES...

FROM THERE THE *STATE*  
*HEALTH DEPARTMENTS*  
WILL DIVVY UP THE SUPPLIES  
AND TAKE THEM TO THE  
VARIOUS POINTS OF  
DISPENSING.



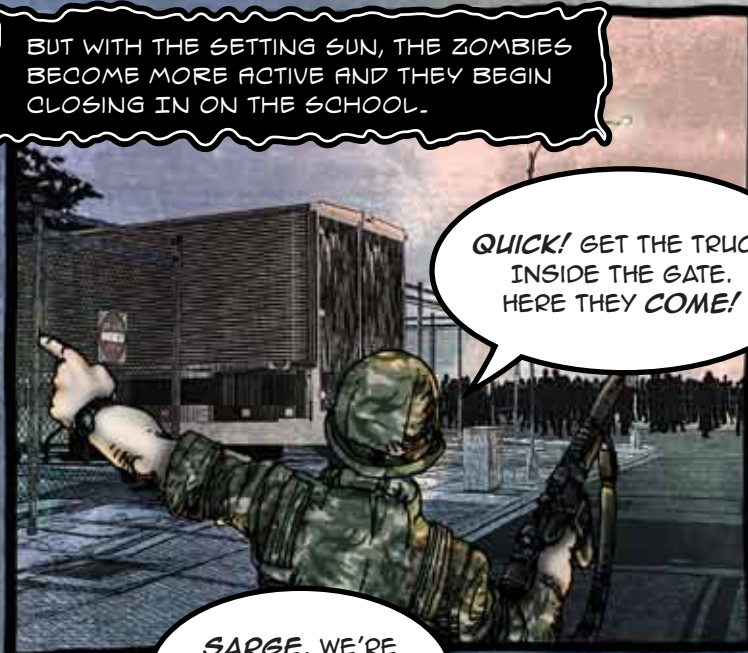
AROUND SUNSET, THE FIRST TRUCK ARRIVES AT THE GATE OF THE SCHOOL...



HEY EVERYBODY...  
IT'S HERE!  
IT'S *HERE*!



BUT WITH THE SETTING SUN, THE ZOMBIES BECOME MORE ACTIVE AND THEY BEGIN CLOSING IN ON THE SCHOOL...



QUICK! GET THE TRUCK  
INSIDE THE GATE.  
HERE THEY *COME*!

SARGE, WE'RE  
GONNA GET  
OVER-RUN!



GAARRR!!

WE CAN'T JUST SHOOT  
THEM. THESE ARE OUR  
FELLOW CITIZENS!

THE ZOMBIE HORDE SURROUNDS AND OVERPOWERS THE GUARDS THEN BEGINS TO BREAK INTO THE SCHOOL, SMASHING WINDOWS AND DOORS...



...HEADING FOR THE  
CROWDED SHELTER  
IN THE GYMNASIUM!

GLURP!

ARRGH!

OH MY GOSH!  
HERE THEY COME!!  
RUN!

BACK IN THE GYM, PEOPLE ARE CHATTERING HAPPILY WITH THEIR FAMILIES WHEN THEY HEAR GLASS BREAKING.

ALL OF A SUDDEN ZOMBIES BREAK THROUGH THE WINDOWS AND DOORS AND BEGIN STREAMING IN.

MASS PANIC ENSUES AS EVERYONE REALIZES THERE'S NOWHERE TO RUN!!!



TODD,  
WHAT DO WE DO?

RUN TO THE LAB  
AREA, MAYBE  
THERE'S A WAY OUT!

GRAAARGH!

TODD,  
LOOK OUT!!!

NOOOOOOOO!!!



WHOA!



ROWF!  
ROWF!

MAX... ?



ROWF!  
ROWF!

WHERE... ?



WOW... IT WAS ALL  
JUST A *DREAM*... ?

TODD!



WHAT IN THE WORLD IS  
GOING *ON* DOWN  
THERE?



**KRAK-BOOM!**



THUNDERSTORM'S  
COMING...

HUH?  
OH... UHH...  
I WAS JUST  
HAVING A BAD  
DREAM. I DREAMT  
THE COUNTRY HAD  
BEEN TAKEN OVER  
BY **ZOMBIES**...  
AND THEY  
ALMOST **GOT** US!



*UGH!* YOU AND YOUR  
SCARY MOVIES. SEE,  
THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS  
WHEN ALL YOU WATCH  
**HORROR FILMS!**



WHAT'S *THAT*  
ON THE TV?

COME ON,  
I THINK WE  
BETTER GET TO  
THE BASEMENT.  
THIS LOOKS  
LIKE A **BAD**  
**STORM.**

TURNING OFF THE TV, TODD AND JULIE HEAD DOWN INTO THE BASEMENT...

WHAT ARE YOU  
LOOKING FOR?

SOMETHING THAT  
COULD COME IN  
REAL HANDY...

WOW... THAT  
OLD THING STILL  
WORKS!

WAYNE? HEY,  
THAT'S US...  
TURN IT UP!

...SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNING  
IN EFFECT FOR THE FOLLOWING  
COUNTIES: PRINCE GEORGES,  
BARTOW, WAYNE...

THIS! I FORGOT  
WE HAD IT.

IT USED TO  
BE MY DAD'S.

I'VE BEEN  
THINKING... WE  
SHOULD REALLY  
MAKE AN  
**EMERGENCY KIT**  
IN CASE  
SOMETHING  
HAPPENED.

WHAT IF WE  
WERE STUCK IN  
THE HOUSE  
OR HAD TO  
EVACUATE?

WE NEED TO  
HAVE A **PLAN!**

OK, BUT I'M  
**SERIOUS**... I THINK  
WE NEED TO MAKE  
AN EMERGENCY  
KIT.

I HEAR YA!



AS SOON AS THIS  
STORM PASSES, WE  
CAN MAKE *ALL* THE KITS  
AND PLANS YOU WANT.

BUT *NEXT* TIME,  
I'M PICKING THE MOVIE.

MEEW!

THE END?

# ALL-HAZARDS EMERGENCY KIT

**Assemble the following items to create a kit for  
your home, office, school, or vehicle:**

- ☐ Water—one gallon per person, per day
- ☐ Food—nonperishable, easy-to-prepare items (minimum 3 day supply)
- ☐ Flashlight
- ☐ Battery-powered or hand-crank radio (NOAA Weather Radio, if possible)
- ☐ Extra batteries
- ☐ First aid kit (whistle, antibiotic ointment, bandages, face masks, gloves and reference book)
- ☐ Medications (7 day supply and medicinal dispensers if necessary)
- ☐ Multipurpose supplies (wrench, pliers, plastic sheet, duct tape, scissors, matches)
- ☐ Sanitation/personal hygiene items and bleach
- ☐ Copies of personal documents (medication list and pertinent medical information, proof of address, deed/lease to home, passports, birth certificates, insurance policies)
- ☐ Cell phone with charger
- ☐ Family Disaster Plan (family and emergency contact information)
- ☐ Extra cash
- ☐ Emergency blanket, extra clothes, sleeping bag (1 for each person)
- ☐ Map(s) of the area

**Consider the needs of all family members and add supplies to your kit.**

**Suggested items to help meet additional needs are:**

- ☐ Specific medical supplies (hearing aids/extra batteries, glasses, contact lenses, syringes, cane)
- ☐ Baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers)
- ☐ Games and activities for children
- ☐ Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl)
- ☐ Two-way radios
- ☐ Extra set of car keys and house keys

**For more information visit: [www.cdc.gov/phpr](http://www.cdc.gov/phpr)**



We hope you enjoyed reading this fictional story. It's meant to be both educational and entertaining. Now that you've seen the importance of being prepared, take the time to put together an emergency kit with the items included in the checklist on the inside of the back cover.

You'll be ready for any kind of disaster, even zombies.