

EARTHSHOCK

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Theme starts

Stars

More stars

Bright stars

Peter!

Peter zooms towards camera

More bright stars

Neon logo

Neon logo zooms out

Earthshock

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Part One

Long shot of the BBC Quarry. ©

Some people in coveralls rappel up the side of a hill.

Lieutenant Scott reaches out to help Professor Kyle over the top. She gasps.

They run away from the camera towards another hill where some other troopers are standing guard.

They run past an oval-shaped, blue tent to where some other troopers are standing, and stop. Scott looks around a bit, then moves forward again. He heads towards a “tunnel” entrance where some more troopers are standing.

Kyle and Snyder are looking into the entrance as Scott walks up.

Didn't we just do this one?

Hey it's that guy from the Gallifrey convention video.
I saw a guy who looks just like him in the hotel.

I love one-word titles.

Star One.

If that's tug of war, you're doing it wrong.
I love the BBC quarry.
Another boring planet in the middle of nowhere.

Is this Halo?

Look, she's got headlights. Phwooar!

SNYDER

Nothing.

Kyle turns around and walks away from the tunnel entrance very slowly.

PROF KYLE

How does this thing work?

WALTERS

It focuses upon the electrical activity of the body-heartbeat, things like that.

LT SCOTT

But only of mammalian life form.
Everything else is excluded.

Scott walks off and Kyle follows...slowly again

Scott stands near Walters, who begins to operate a futuristic, high-tech scanner.

Walters switches on the scanner and it begins to hum.

He types on the futuristic keyboard, and looks intently at the screen There's nothing on it.

WALTERS

Nothing.

LT SCOTT

Could they have been shielded from the scanner in any way?

WALTERS

A lead screen. Some of the newer alloys.

PROF KYLE

There isn't anything like that in the cavern.

Kyle walks away distraught, wringing her hands,

PROF KYLE

They're dead, aren't they?

LT SCOTT

It does seem likely.

PROF KYLE

Quarry.

It's called a microfiche.

It's a Lite-Brite. You make things with light.

Such a pointless waste.

LT SCOTT

We'll find out.

PROF KYLE

They can't be far. I radioed immediately I left the cavern.

LT SCOTT

You've done all you can. Don't upset yourself. Walters, scan again. Maximum amplification.

WALTERS

Right, sir.

PROF KYLE

How many of you were down there?

PROF KYLE

Eight of us.

PROF KYLE

What were you doing?

PROF KYLE

A survey. The particular cave system we were in has just been discovered. It's proven to be rich in fossils.

LT SCOTT

Are you all paleontologists?

PROF KYLE

And geologists.

LT SCOTT

It doesn't make sense.

WALTERS

Scan complete, sir. Negative. No sign of life.

In the cavern two lithe, shadowy figures walk past the camera in the darkness.

LT SCOTT

Right, get your gear together. We're going down.

'Cause eight is enough, to fill our lives with love.

And phrenologists.

And astronomers.

Plus a butcher, two bakers, and a McCoy.

Scott walks over to Kyle.

LT SCOTT

I realize going down again must be hard.

PROF KYLE

The caves are uncharted. You'll never find the bodies without my help.

LT SCOTT

I'm grateful! Snyder, I want you to stay here with Walters.

SNYDER

Sir.

LT SCOTT

Walters, I want a constant scan.

WALTERS

Right, sir.

LT SCOTT

Let me know the instant you see anything, all right?

MITCHELL

Troops ready, sir.

LT SCOTT

Sergeant Mitchell.

They slowly walk off to the side.

LT SCOTT

Do you believe Professor Kyle?

They look over to where she's standing.

MITCHELL

I think she's telling the truth. As far as she knows it, that is.

LT SCOTT

I agree. All right. Put the troop on full alert.

MITCHELL

Sir.

Civilians only get bicycle helmets.

Don't we all.
A constant tan? Here?

What exactly does FULL alert mean?

LT SCOTT

Oh, and just in case she is lying, we'll have her up front where we can see her.

Inside the cavern the troops walk by the camera in long shot.

Now we see them walk by in close up. They move past the camera slowly. As the sexy androids move past behind him. He finally turns around to look, but it's too late. He moves on.

Back outside Kyle looks at the monitor.

SNYDER

The party's making good progress.

The scanner flares.

SNYDER

Is that supposed to happen?

WALTERS

What?

SNYDER

There was a sort of flare. It only lasted a second.

WALTERS

Ahh, probably nothing. This equipment's ancient.

There's another flare.

SNYDER

There!

WALTERS

Ghosting.

SNYDER

Shouldn't we tell Lieutenant Scott?

WALTERS

It isn't worth it.

The sexy androids walk down a tunnel.

Inside the TARDIS the Doctor, holding a book, knocks

Don't turn around, oh oh oh...
I did not see that shadow.

Yeah it really picked up when Harold and Kumar showed up.

Oh, that, yeah, they say every time the scanner flares, an angel gets its wings.

The scanner's got flair.

Ghost Light.
Now with fewer calories.

Oh and Marge says that the leaves have already started turning up on the surface, isn't that nice?

on Adric's bedroom door. When there's no answer he opens the door and walks in.

DOCTOR

You must read this, Adric. *The Black Orchid*.

ADRIC

Why?

DOCTOR

It's fascinating. Such scholarship!

He sets the book down in front of Adric.

ADRIC

Why should that interest me?

DOCTOR

What's the matter?

ADRIC

I'm fed up.

DOCTOR

Why?

ADRIC

I'm tired of being considered a joke.

DOCTOR

Oh, no one thinks that.

ADRIC

Then why am I constantly teased?

DOCTOR

Well, everyone is teased from time to time.

ADRIC

Yeah, but not as often as me.

DOCTOR

That's not true.

ADRIC

No, and I suppose neither is the fact that when Nyssa or Tegan ask you a question, you always find time to answer it, but hardly ever with me.

Knock louder next time, you never know what I might be doing in here.

...I already know everything.

All right I'll read your damn book okay!
Do you have it for the Kindle?

Haircut?
Pajamas?

Emo and homeless.

The Doctor ignores him and rifles through the stuff on Adric's desk.

ADRIC

Doctor, how am I supposed to learn if you never find time to explain?

DOCTOR

Time? We have spent many hours discussing and debating endless topics.

ADRIC

I'm just fitted in when it's convenient for you.

DOCTOR

All right. I'll make more time.

ADRIC

No, you've said that too often before, Doctor. There'll always be some distraction to prevent it happening.

DOCTOR

I give you my word.

ADRIC

Just as you gave your word to Tegan.

DOCTOR

That's not fair.

ADRIC

No, it never is when you're being criticized, is it? Just as it's never your fault when something goes wrong.

DOCTOR

Have you quite finished?

ADRIC

There's lots more.

DOCTOR

Well, it can wait!

ADRIC

Yes, but I can't. I'm tired of being an outsider, Doctor. I want to go back to my own people.

Because you already know everything.

Right, if you're gonna split hairs, I'm gonna piss off.

(do "the snap")

Send me an email.

The Doctor looks at him.

In the cavern Scott crawls through an opening.

He helps Kyle to her feet.

LT SCOTT

Is this the only way down?

PROF KYLE

The only known way.

LT SCOTT

You must have had some fun getting the gear through there.

PROF KYLE

This expedition was cursed from the beginning.

LT SCOTT

Well?

PROF KYLE

We had endless problems. Even lighting the tunnels was a nightmare.

MITCHELL

In what way?

PROF KYLE

All sorts of things. Annoying things, Tools would go missing. Small but important components were discovered smashed.

LT SCOTT

Sabotage?

PROF KYLE

I didn't think so at the time. Someone who wanted to wreck the expedition could have been far more positive about it.

LT SCOTT

As ultimately they were.

The sexy androids move into a cavern.

Listen all y'all, it's sabotage.

Back in the TARDIS console room Nyssa writes something on a pad of paper as Tegan watches.

NYSSA

There.

TEGAN

I'll never learn how to do that properly.

NYSSA

It isn't that difficult.

DOCTOR

No, Adric. I will not do it.

ADRIC

You've done it before.

DOCTOR

The TARDIS is not designed for E-Space. Nyssa, tell him!

NYSSA

Tell him what?

DOCTOR

He wants to go home.

NYSSA

To Alzarius?

ADRIC

No, to Terradon.

DOCTOR

That would involve the TARDIS is going back into E-Space.

NYSSA

The Doctor's right. It would be very dangerous.

ADRIC

I could plot a course.

DOCTOR

How do you calculate negative coordinates?

ADRIC

I have the mathematical skill.

I.F. Did I spell it right?

How about pterodactyl?

Nerd.

DOCTOR

It would also involve passing through the CVE. Now, you can't calculate random coordinates.

ADRIC

The monitor on Logopolis indicated they were not random.

DOCTOR

You do not have the monitor's skill, Adric, and even if you did, I am not going back into E-Space!

ADRIC

Then I will find someone who will take me.

DOCTOR

E-Space is another universe. There isn't a taxi service goes back and forth.

ADRIC

Once I calculate the course, the journey itself would be simple.

NYSSA

It won't.

ADRIC

Romana's still in E-Space. Once I get there, she can help me.

Dude, Romana would take one look at you and run screaming to Richard Dawkins.

TEGAN

Is it really that dangerous?

DOCTOR

Do you really think I'd be making all this fuss if it weren't?

ADRIC

Can I use your computer?

DOCTOR

Oh, help yourself. I'm not waiting around while you plot the course to your own destruction.

Back in the cavern the troopers slowly trudge onward.

LT SCOTT

How much further?

The lights flash, and there's a strange sound. Bane trips.

LT SCOTT

What caused that?

PROF KYLE

I don't know. They've never done it before.

MITCHELL

Trooper Bane's hurt, sir.

BANE

I damaged my shoulder.

MITCHELL

Nothing broken.

LT SCOTT

Can you walk?

BANE

I think so.

LT SCOTT

Good.

He contacts Walters via radio.

WALTERS

Walters.

LT SCOTT

Bane's had an accident. I'm sending her up.

WALTERS

Right, sir.

LT SCOTT

She'll need medical treatment.

Is interrupted by a weird jangling sound.

LT SCOTT

What's that?

Quit messing with the lights, John Nathan-Turner!

She's damaged her shoulder.

Is that an iPhone or an Android?

I think it's a Blackberry.

Ewwwwww!

Back on the surface Walters studies the scanner.

WALTERS

I don't know, sir. It's causing the scanner to flare as well.

LT SCOTT

See if you can trace it, will you?

The jangling sound stops.

LT SCOTT

Too late.

PROF KYLE

I heard that noise before.

LT SCOTT

When?

PROF KYLE

A few minutes before we were attacked.

The sexy androids move through a tunnel and stop.

In another tunnel the TARDIS materializes.

Inside the TARDIS console room the scanner slides open.

NYSSA

Where are we?

DOCTOR

Earth.

TEGAN

Oh, not again.

DOCTOR

26th century.

ADRIC

The year is 2526 in the time scale you call Anno Domini.

DOCTOR

Thank you.

TEGAN

Shiny Shiny, bad times behind me...

Marshall Fields, State Street, 1983.

Look, Adric is writing lines for 337. Anno Domini is NOT a time scale.

Why have we materialized underground?

DOCTOR

Why not? Adric wants to use the computer. I want to go for a walk.

NYSSA

Why not help Adric?

ADRIC

I don't need his help, thank you very much.

DOCTOR

You see?

NYSSA

Please, Doctor, it's gone far enough.

ADRIC

Do you; know I think since his regeneration he's become decidedly immature.

Tegan walks over towards the Doctor.

DOCTOR

I'm going outside now. I might be gone some time.

He opens the door and walks out.

TEGAN

I'm gonna talk some sense into the Doctor.

Nyssa walks over towards Adric.

NYSSA

Oh dear, it's all getting rather silly, isn't it?

ADRIC

Oh, I didn't mean to be so rude.

NYSSA

Why don't you calculate the course home? Show the Doctor it can be done, then when he's calmed down we can all talk to him.

Now HE'S the outsider.

Okay, Oates, but you better put on your boots, it's snowing out there.

Right, too silly, too silly, end this sketch this instant.

ADRIC
But will he listen?

NYSSA
Of course he will.

Nyssa walks out. Adric smiles.

Mitchell and Bane slowly crawl back through the tunnels towards the surface.

Back on the surface.

WALTERS
This is the main group here. This is the wounded party.

The camera pans over to three new white dots.

SNYDER
Where have they come from?

WALTERS
I don't know.

Snyder plays with her radio.

LT SCOTT (v.o.)
Scott.

WALTERS
One of the readings is ectopic, sir.

LT SCOTT (v.o.)
What does that mean?

WALTERS
That one of the life forms has two hearts.

In a cold tunnel the Doctor tries warming his hands. Nyssa and Tegan walk up to him.

DOCTOR
It's so peaceful and cool down here.

TEGAN
Breathe deeply and relax.

Pause.

The Descent 3.

He's pregnant?

Two hearts, believing in just one mind. Beating together till the end of time.
Yeah, literally.

TEGAN

Now, go and make it up with Adric.
Please?

DOCTOR

All right, but I am not taking him back
into E-space and that's my final word
on the matter.

NYSSA

Look at his calculations before you
decide. It may be possible.

DOCTOR

All right, I'll look, but I'm not
promising anything.

NYSSA

Of course not, Doctor.

In a different tunnel.

LT SCOTT

You're sure the life form's alien?

WALTERS

Positive, sir, I've re-checked the scan.
The reading is true.

LT SCOTT

Let me have their position as soon as
possible.

WALTERS

Working it out now, sir.

Scott turns his radio off.

LT SCOTT

Unshoulder arms.

They do so.

LT SCOTT

Set them on stun.

Scott walks off.

In another corridor the sexy androids walk off.

*In yet another tunnel the Doctor mutters to himself
whilst standing outside the TARDIS.*

ALL of their headlights are on.

I had mine set to "resonate concrete".

TEGAN

Doctor!

He walks over to her.

TEGAN

There's something wrong.

DOCTOR

What?

TEGAN

Well, haven't you noticed?

NYSSA

What are you talking about?

TEGAN

Well, it should be totally dark, but we can see.

The doctor runs his finger along the wall, then across Tegan's nose.

DOCTOR

Phosphorescence.

NYSSA

And something else.

DOCTOR

Hmmm?

NYSSA

Lots of bones.

Back in the TARDIS Adric is writing on a pad of paper. He glances at the scanner and see the Doctor, Tegan and Nyssa. Bored he looks back and flips a page.

Back on the surface.

WALTERS

I've worked out the position of the three intruders. Their lateral coordinates are 0, 3.9 by 4, 0, 1, Depth coordinates 23.336 meters. Reference 1, 9 by 74.9.

I've got phosphorescence on me nose!

Don't touch the exhibit!
...Clyde Langer.

Back in the tunnel, Kyle, who's been typing on her wrist pad, stops.

PROF KYLE

By my reckoning your alien life form is in a small tunnel alongside the cavern where we were attacked.

The wounded party moves through the tunnel slowly.

BANE

I must rest for a moment.

She moves away and sits against the tunnel wall.

Back on the surface.

SNYDER

Look at the wounded party. They've hardly moved. I'm going down.

WALTERS

Why?

SNYDER

They may need help.

WALTERS

I'll let them know you're coming.

He acts as if he's going to say something into the radio, but never does.

Snyder enters the tunnel.

In another cave.

DOCTOR

Fascinating.

NYSSA

They're huge! What sort of creature had such bones?

TEGAN

Dinosaurs.

DOCTOR

An amazing species.

NYSSA

I've got a Porsche.

Why is she limping if she's damaged her shoulder?

(huge) Oo-er.

Are they your ancestors?

TEGAN

I hope not.

DOCTOR

Well, you should be proud if they were.

TEGAN

Thank you very much. Most of them had a brain the size of a pea.

DOCTOR

They were also the most successful creature ever to inhabit the earth.

NYSSA

In what way?

DOCTOR

Fossilized remains have been found all over the planet. Not bad adaptation for a creature with the brain the size of a pea.

NYSSA

How long did they exist?

DOCTOR

100 million years or so. They seemed so secure and yet they died out overnight.

*Back in the tunnels the troopers are running again.
Kyle trips and Scott helps her up.*

LT SCOTT

Come along, Professor.

Back with the ones from the TARDIS.

TEGAN

It's like a graveyard.

NYSSA

How could such a successful species die out so quickly?

DOCTOR

Initially hypothermia, then starvation.

Wikipedia says...

The brontosaurus is large and placid and stupid – hey, we've come full circle. HEY!

You'll find out soon enough.

NYSSA

Caused by what, an ice age?

DOCTOR

Something equally as devastating. The earth collided with something from space.

TEGAN

An asteroid?

DOCTOR

Could be. I don't know. I've always meant to slip back and find out.

Slipback? Ugh.

Snyder walks through a tunnel. Then speaks into her radio.

SNYDER

Snyder.

Did she say Nyder?

WALTERS

You should be near the wounded party.

SNYDER (v.o.)

I can't see anyone.

WALTERS

They're on your level, about 30 meters away,

SNYDER

Advancing now. Will leave communicator on.

She advances.

In another tunnel the wounded party stumble along, They come to a junction where they see one of the sexy androids.

BANE

Is that you, Snyder?

Snyder walks through the tunnel.

SNYDER

Are you sure they're on this level?

WALTERS

Positive. They should be very close.
Hang on, the scanner's flaring. The
flaring's very heavy.

SNYDER (v.o)

See if you can get a fix on it.

*The troopers continue to run through tunnels. Mitchell
stops and yells at some stragglers.*

MITCHELL

Come on. Keep up. The exercise will
do you all good!

They continue running.

*On the surface Walters messes around with the
scanner. He picks up his radio.*

WALTERS

Snyder, do you hear me?

SNYDER

Just.

WALTERS

It's no go, The scanner registers the
flare, but the computer doesn't. It's
weird.

SNYDER

Keep trying.

WALTERS

You must be very close to the source.

*There's a loud scream in the background. Snyder
heads off towards it.*

*Outside there's a flare on the scanner and the
wounded party's lights go out along with Snyder's,*

WALTERS

Snyder? Snyder? Negative emission.
Snyder, do you hear me? Get out of
there. Bane and Collis are dead.

*In the cavern the camera slowly tilts up as Walters
continues to call out. There's a pool of green slime
with a communicator lying in it. Eventually we see the
two sexy androids standing nearby.*

Horta?
No, Taco Bell.
Help me, I'm melted!

WALTERS

Do you hear me? Snyder! Get out of there! Snyder!

In another cavern the doctor finishes making a dinosaur drawing in the sand on the floor with his hat.

TEGAN

Things have collided with Earth before. What was so different about the one that destroyed the dinosaurs?

DOCTOR

Size. It was gigantic.

TEGAN

But how could one asteroid wipe out all the dinosaurs? It just isn't possible.

NYSSA

You're forgetting displacement.

DOCTOR

The impact would have caused millions upon millions of tons of earth and rock to be fragmented and the hurled up into the atmosphere, enveloping the whole planet.

NYSSA

The storm it created must have lasted for months.

TEGAN

Would it have blocked out the sun?

DOCTOR

To such an extent that the surface temperature would have dropped radically.

NYSSA

And without warmth reptiles cease to function.

TEGAN

Poor old dinosaur.

In another tunnel Kyle trips and falls for the hundredth time.

I think they'll need Schneider to clean that up. Cleanup in aisle 5!

What kind of dinosaur is that?
A Pteradon.
Oh, that's where Adric wants to go.
Yup.

Myfanwy, noooo!

LT SCOTT

All right. All right. Take it easy.

PROF KYLE

I can't keep the pace up.

LT SCOTT

We'll rest here for a minute.

Scott's communicator beeps.

LT SCOTT

Scott.

WALTERS (v.o.)

Snyder and the others have...just gone off the scanner.

LT SCOTT

What?

WALTERS

The screen flared again and their scan lights went out. They're dead.

LT SCOTT

Have you checked the scanner for faults?

WALTERS

Yes, it's working perfectly.

MITCHELL

Could be a rock fall that killed them.

LT SCOTT

Any change in position of our alien friends up ahead?

WALTERS (v.o.)

None.

MITCHELL

Shall I take a couple of troopers and go back, sir?

LT SCOTT

Carry on, Sergeant Mitchell.

MITCHELL

"Mitchell--"

Carter, Bailey!

Back in the console room Adric continues scribbling; he looks at the scanner.

ADRIC

Don't wander too far, Doctor.

Back outside.

LT SCOTT

Professor Kyle, we must go on.

PROF KYLE

I'm fine now.

Kyle helps her up for the hundredth time.

LT SCOTT

Right. Prepare to move out.

Back with the Doctor.

TEGAN

It's weird. It all happened so long ago.

DOCTOR

65 million years.

TEGAN

I wonder what evolutionary stage my ancestors were at?

DOCTOR

Primitive, Tegan. Very primitive.

Mitchell and the two troopers walk through a tunnel.

MITCHELL

Come on.

They walk a little further.

The main group of troopers run through more tunnels.

Outside the scanner flares.

WALTERS

Not again. Please, not again.

Mitchell and co. are walking. Her communicator

Chief! McCloud!

Is that a threat?

beeps.

MITCHELL

Mitchell.

WALTERS (v.o.)

The scanner's flared again, Sarge.

MITCHELL

Whereabouts?

WALTERS (v.o.)

Very close to you.

The main group move into a large cavern.

PROF KYLE

There's been a rock fall.

LT SCOTT

Where are the three aliens?

PROF KYLE

In the tunnel down here.

LT SCOTT

Right, take cover.

They scatter and hide behind rocks in the way that only characters in DW could hide.

Back in the console room Adric continues to scribble. He looks at the console several times and writes stuff down on his pad.

Mitchell and the two troopers move through a tunnel. The lights flicker as mist rises in the foreground.

MITCHELL

Come on.

They move forward. Suddenly One of the troopers steps in the green slime where Snyder's name tag is lying.

TROOPER

Look, Sarge. What sort of weapon could do that to a person?

MITCHELL

I don't know, and I don't care. I just

She's talking into a garage door opener.

want the people who did this.

They slowly stand up as the sexy androids move in.

Back outside.

MITCHELL (v.o.)

We've got company. Two of them.

WALTERS

That's not possible. There's no reading.

MITCHELL (v.o.)

Just take my word for it. There here all right, and they don't look...

She screams.

The three lights go out on the scanner.

WALTERS

Sergeant? Sergeant Mitchell? Sergeant Mitchell!

The Doctor, Tegan and Nyssa move into the cavern where the troopers are "hiding".

TEGAN

Look, Doctor. Mining equipment.

DOCTOR

Uh, I don't think we should go any further.

NYSSA

I can't see anyone.

Scott and Kyle come out of hiding.

LT SCOTT

Hold it there!

TEGAN

What's going on?

LT SCOTT

Shut up! Do you recognize any of them?

PROF KYLE

"The lights are going out, one by one..."

No.

DOCTOR

How do you do? I'm the Doctor. This is Tegan and Nyssa.

LT SCOTT

I said shut up.

DOCTOR

What are we supposed to have done?

Scott's communicator beeps.

LT SCOTT

Scott.

WALTERS (v.o.)

Sergeant Mitchell and her troops are dead, sir.

LT SCOTT

Are you sure?

WALTERS

Yes, sir. She was reporting in when she was killed.

LT SCOTT

How many hostiles were there?

WALTERS (v.o.)

Two, sir.

LT SCOTT

Where are they now?

WALTERS

I don't know, sir. They didn't show up on the scanner.

LT SCOTT

That's impossible.

WALTERS (v.o.)

I know, sir.

LT SCOTT

All right, keep searching. Let me know when you find anything.

It's a Mexican standoff!
Oh no it isn't!

DOCTOR

Anything we can do?

Scott garbs him by the shoulders.

DOCTOR

Obviously not.

Scott pushes him over towards the cave wall and pins him on a rock.

LT SCOTT

Too many people have died for you to play the fool.

Clang!

Back in the console room Adric is still scribbling.

ADRIC

Now where have you gone?

Back in the cavern.

LT SCOTT

Where have you hidden the bodies?

DOCTOR

What bodies?

LT SCOTT

Seven people were murdered in this cavern!

TEGAN

We didn't do it!

DOCTOR

We only just arrived.

NYSSA

Let me show you how we travelled here.

LT SCOTT

Don't waste my time. Where have you hidden the bodies?

PROF KYLE

The rock fall.

"Everybody plays the fool ... sometimes"

Speaking of fools.

I only hid four of them.

Rabbit season!
Duck season!

LT SCOTT

What?

PROF KYLE

The bodies must be here.

Pause

LT SCOTT

Shall we look?

The sexy androids mobilize.

In the console room Adric looks around. He hears a noise. He sets his bad down and walks to a different panel of the console

ADRIC

What is it?

He flips some switches.

ADRIC

Where's it coming from?

He flips some more switches.

Back in the cavern Tegan and Nyssa move some rocks and uncover a metal hatch in the cave wall.

LT SCOTT

What's that?

Nyssa taps on it.

NYSSA

I don't know.

LT SCOTT

Seaton, Foster, help them clear the rocks away.

PROF KYLE

Lieutenant!

Scott walks over to Kyle.

PROF KYLE

These belonged to Doctor Khan, my assistant.

The console is trilling.
Oh yes, extremely trilling.

(demat sound)
Oops!

Khaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaan!

The sexy androids are running now!

Scott taps on the hatch then turns to the Doctor.

LT SCOTT

Is this why you killed them?

DOCTOR

I know nothing about it.

TEGAN

We're telling the truth.

LT SCOTT

Open the hatch.

DOCTOR

I can't.

LT SCOTT

I said open it!

NYSSA

I'll try.

DOCTOR

Nyssa.

LT SCOTT

You stay where you are. I want him to do it.

The Doctor moves towards the hatch slowly. Just as he reaches it the sexy androids arrive and start shooting energy bolts from their hands. There's much commotion.

The Doctor moves away.

The androids shoot again, and everyone moves towards the rocks.

LT SCOTT

Behind the rocks!

We see a blaster, and tattered clothes lying on the floor,

An android shoots another energy bolt.

Scott ducks down behind the rocks.

I'm taller than you. I win!

Not if I get Nyssa to stand on my shoulders!

Hey, what you get up to behind closed doors is none of my concern.

The android shoots again, and the troopers begin blasting them.

PROF KYLE

Who are they?

DOCTOR

Androids. That's why they didn't register on your scanners.

LT SCOTT

Androids? Are they yours?

DOCTOR

No, and if you want proof you'll find they'll kill me as willingly as they'll kill you.

An energy bolt strikes a nearby rock.

The androids stand with their palms facing forward.

DOCTOR

See what I mean?

An android fires another energy bolt.

The troopers fire at them.

PROF KYLE

That's them. I recognize that sound.

LT SCOTT

Those are the things that attacked you?

PROF KYLE

Yes.

DOCTOR

Do you know why?

PROF KYLE

No, there isn't a reason.

DOCTOR

Whoever's controlling the androids thinks there is.

Close up of android.

*We see the cavern from the androids point of view.
It's tinted red. The view shakily zooms in eventually
centering on the Doctor's face.*

Three Cybermen stand around a control of some sort.

CYBERLEADER

Destroy them. Destroy them at once.

In the cavern the androids do nothing.

The Doctor, Kyle and Scott watch.

The androids shoot energy bolts.

*The troopers fire at them. They exchange blaster fire
and energy bolts a few more times.*

LT SCOTT

Our weapons have no effect on them.

DOCTOR

Yes, they will, but you must
concentrate your fire!

LT SCOTT

All right. Hold your fire. When I give
the word, go for the one on the right.

An android shots an energy bolt.

LT SCOTT

Now!

They shoot at the android,

The Doctor watches.

They shoot some more.

There's a close up of Kyle.

*The troopers concentrate on the androids hand, which
finally explodes.*

LT SCOTT

Got him!

DOCTOR

No, it's only damaged!

No, it's DELETE.

Okay!

Okay!

Got it!

Uh, wait. Our right, or the android's right?

Why would he say 'on the right' but mean the
android's right?

Who says the androids are right anyway? They might
be making a mistake.

No, you're wrong.

So they're right.

No, OUR right.

Oh bugger, we missed the fight.

We see the hatch from the androids POV again.

Back on the Cybership

CYBERLEADER

The androids are too valuable to waste.
We may still need them.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

They are programmed for self-preservation. They will not take any more unnecessary risks.

In the cavern the androids go off and hide.

PROF KYLE

Will they attack again?

DOCTOR

Undoubtedly.

The androids stand and look at each other.

LT SCOTT

They've covered the exit.

TEGAN

Well, won't someone on the surface realize that something's wrong?

LT SCOTT

Sooner or later.

TEGAN

Let's hope it's sooner.

Inside the TARDIS Adric walks around to the other side of the console and opens the doors.

In the cavern the Doctor turns around and sits on the floor.

LT SCOTT

What are they doing?

DOCTOR

Waiting.

PROF KYLE

What can they possibly want?

Cyber TV is low-res and sepia?

Why is she carrying a colander?

Marbles?
Crayons?

TEGAN
Isn't it obvious? Us dead.

PROF KYLE
But why?

DOCTOR
Were you working near the rock fall
the first time you were attacked?

PROF KYLE
Yes.

DOCTOR
Well, maybe their function is to protect
that hatch.

PROF KYLE
What can be in there that's worth so
many lives?

DOCTOR
Well, let's find out.

The Doctor turns back around.

LT SCOTT
I haven't had much experience in
fighting androids.

DOCTOR
They're just like people.

NYSSA
Only they function much more
logically.

DOCTOR
Which can be their weakness.

In a tunnel Adric moves forward.

ADRIC
Doctor!

The androids move towards him.

ADRIC
Doctor!

The androids are right around the corner.

Nyssa's personality?
No, that doesn't exist.
Oh yeah.

NYSSA

Oh. No.

TEGAN

Adric.

DOCTOR

Adric.

Adric finally realizes they're there and runs off to hide.

TROOPER

Lieutenant.

Scott moves forward.

Adric looks on.

Scott moves back.

LT SCOTT

The power packs for the rifles are almost finished.

TEGAN

So are we.

DOCTOR

Brave heart, Tegan, Now, the androids are programmed to protect that hatch. In order to carry out that duty successfully it's important they remain operational.

LT SCOTT

Go on.

DOCTOR

Well, the androids now know we have the ability to inflict serious damage on them. So, if we attack that hatch we'll create a dilemma.

NYSSA

We attack what they're programmed to defend.

PROF KYLE

Why should they care if we attack the

Adric.
Adric.
Adric.
Adric.

We need pointed sticks.

...Your line continues on the next page.

hatch?

NYSSA

They won't care, they'll react. They have no choice.

DOCTOR

The conflict between duty and survival should cause enough confusion in their logic circuits for them to start making mistakes, which is exactly what we want.

LT SCOTT

I hope you're right.

DOCTOR

Well, let's find out.

LT SCOTT

Right. Stand by.

The androids wobble a bit.

LT SCOTT

Fire!

The troopers blast the hatch simultaneously.

The androids wobble and bleep in apparent confusion.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

The earthlings are attempting to break through the hatch.

CYBERLEADER

Are their weapons capable?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Yes, Leader.

CYBERLEADER

They must be stopped immediately.

Adric crawls through a tunnel on his hands and knees.

The Doctor, Kyle and Nyssa look on.

Adric picks up a rock and smashes the android's hand (sort of).

Yes, computers are EASY to confuse.

No complications.

Rock smashes scissors!

The troopers fire.

The android's head explodes.

DOCTOR

Well done!

LT SCOTT

Who's that boy?

DOCTOR

It's Adric.

CYBERLEADER

Is the second android fitted with visual monitoring?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Yes, Leader.

CYBERLEADER

Then activate.

The Cyberlieutenant activates.

In the cavern the remaining androids fires an energy bolt.

The troopers fire at it.

Scott moves forward.

The android's hand explodes

Tegan ducks behind a rock.

Scott stands over the android and shoots it in the head. Its head explodes.

CYBERLEADER

We must act quickly. Prepare to activate the device.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

It's too soon, Leader.

CYBERLEADER

We must be prepared.

In the cavern there was much rejoicing. (Which mostly consisted of a lot of mumbling.)

Ow, my face! I was using that face!

They could confuse them by throwing Adric at them.

Android's got boobies!

Boobies!

Because we're Boy Scouts!

NYSSA
It's fairly primitive.

DOCTOR
You think so?

Nyssa takes a piece of metal from the androids head.

NYSSA
Look at this.

DOCTOR
Lieutenant?

LT SCOTT
Yes, Doctor.

DOCTOR
I think you should curtail the
celebrations for the time being.

LT SCOTT
Oh, something wrong?

DOCTOR
We must get this hatch open.

LT SCOTT
What's the hurry?

NYSSA
One of the androids was a massive
ultrasonic transmitter.

ADRIC
So, that was the signal I picked up in
the TARDIS.

Scott walks over to the Doctor.

LT SCOTT
What does that mean?

DOCTOR
Whoever built this hatch now knows
we destroyed its guardians.

On the Cybership.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Ah, yes, a 386 chip, I see.

Carrier signal now being transmitted.
Being locked on.

In the cavern the Doctor tries to open the hatch, and reacts as he burns his hand.

DOCTOR

Your troopers got quite carried away, didn't they? I would suggest you get your people well back. The hatch may be booby trapped.

LT SCOTT

What about you?

DOCTOR

Well, my arms are only this long. I can't get any further away.

Two arms, two tries.

NYSSA

Can you see what it is?

DOCTOR

No, you better get back too.

LT SCOTT

Right, everybody back!

On the Cybership.

CYBERLEADER

Activate the computer.

You're always telling me to activate things!

CYBERLIEUTENANT

It's too early, Leader. It will be wasted.

CYBERLEADER

The device is already lost. Let the earth see the effectiveness of Cybertechnology©. Explode the bomb!

Did I say that with too much emotion?

Back in the cavern the Doctor is still trying to open the hatch as Adric walks up.

DOCTOR

Got it! Release mechanism. You better get back too.

ADRIC

You've checked for booby traps.

DOCTOR

I'm not in the mood to argue.

LT SCOTT

Come on, lad.

Scott ushers Adric away.

DOCTOR

Further than that.

The Doctor opens the hatch and the inside lights up as the camera zooms in.

On the Cybership.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

The Earthlings have broken in.

CYBERLEADER

They are too late.

In the cavern.

TEGAN

Are you all right?

DOCTOR

Yes.

TEGAN

I thought a booby trap had gone off.

The Doctor moves towards the hatch and looks inside. He puts his hand to his forehead.

NYSSA

What is it?

DOCTOR

A bomb. My opening the hatch has started off the arming procedure. You better let your people on the surface know what's happened.

LT SCOTT

How much time have we got?

DOCTOR

I have no idea. Tegan, get everyone

(bomb) Somebody set up us the bomb!

into the TARDIS.

LT SCOTT

Scott. Scott to Walters. Come in please.

ADRIC

Come on, you can't stay behind.

DOCTOR

It was my own stupidity that started it off. The least I can do is to...

The Doctor looks back at the hatch.

DOCTOR

Of course! Come on!

They run off.

Back on the Cybership

CYBERLEADER

How much longer before activation?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

One minute.

How long is that in Rels?

The Doctor et al enter the TARDIS.

DOCTOR

Set the coordinates at zero!

The Doctor unlatches a panel from under the console.

ADRIC

It would be nice to know what you're doing.

It would be nice if HE knew what he was doing.

DOCTOR

The arming procedure on the bomb is being operated by remote control.

ADRIC

Can you jam it?

DOCTOR

Yes, but not until I know where it's coming from.

Adric stretches a cable from the panel to the other

side of the TARDIS where Nyssa attaches it to the console. Meanwhile Scott looks around perplexed.

The bomb counts down.

The Cyberleader twists a knob.

CYBERLEADER

Master detonator engaged.

In the TARDIS the Doctor reaches up and flips some switches.

DOCTOR

Well, that isn't right...or is it?

TEGAN

How long does an arming procedure take?

DOCTOR

Not long.

TEGAN

Well, shouldn't we move the TARDIS in case the bomb goes off?

Cybership.

CYBERLEADER

30 seconds.

The bomb counts down some more.

There's a reading on the Cyberconsole.

The bomb counts down some more.

Cyberleader.

Bomb.

Cyberconsole.

Bomb.

An alarm goes off on the Cybership.

CYBERLEADER

What's happening?

This is rubbish.

CYBERLEADER
Our signal is being jammed.

CYBERLEADER
More powerrrrrrrr!!

The Doctor and Adric run through a tunnel.

DOCTOR
Come on Adric, hurry!

ADRIC
But you've already jammed the signal.

DOCTOR
If they increase power they could break through.

They look at the bomb.

On the Cybership.

CYBERLIEUTENANT
Supplementary power on.

CYBERLEADER
Hurry!

CYBERLIEUTENANT
Power building.

In the cavern.

DOCTOR
Magnetic clamp.

ADRIC
Magnetic clamp. How much damage could this bomb do?

DOCTOR
Enough.

ADRIC
Enough for what?

DOCTOR
Enough to make life intolerable for the few who survive.

In the TARDIS Nyssa flicks some switches. An alarm

He's got the Mo' Powa Blues.

I'm missing The Simpsons!

goes off. She and Tegan go to see what it is.

NYSSA

Oh, no.

TEGAN

What's the matter?

NYSSA

Whoever they are, they're fighting back.

In the cavern.

DOCTOR

Probe.

ADRIC

Probe.

He hands the Doctor the probe.

ADRIC

Do you know, I find this whole situation so bizarre? I mean there's just no purpose to it.

DOCTOR

Well, there is somewhere. We just don't have enough of the pieces yet.

ADRIC

Look, Professor Kyle said she'd been down here four weeks before the androids attacked.

DOCTOR

Laser cutter.

ADRIC

Laser cutter.

Adric fumbles a bit.

DOCTOR

You think they should have attacked earlier?

ADRIC

It would have made more sense if they had.

Oh, Adric knows where the probe is.

"...It's a screwdriver."

Glasses. Mustache. I'm going to operate!

Adric, next time, don't turn on the laser cutter before handing it to me. Could you get my index finger, it's by your right foot.

DOCTOR

Oh, I don't think so. The androids are programmed to protect this hatch. Now, the cave system is enormous, why draw attention to yourself and your charge by attacking on the first day?

ADRIC

Yes, I suppose that has certain logic.

DOCTOR

Magnetic drone.

ADRIC

Magnetic drone.

The Doctor attaches the magnetic drone to the bomb. He slowly opens a door on the bomb and touches a circuit inside, and gets a shock.

DOCTOR

There was power in that circuit!

He sets the tray on the floor.

DOCTOR

Bread and water.

ADRIC

What's happening?

DOCTOR

The signal's breaking through.

In the TARDIS Nyssa acts like she just did something.

NYSSA

That's it. Maximum output.

TEGAN

There must be more. The TARDIS has unlimited power.

NYSSA

But that transmitter doesn't.

Back in the cavern the bomb flashes.

DOCTOR

Just say I was right, bitch.

Sonic lipstick.
Sonic lipstick.

She has an expression!

I think drastic action is called for.

ADRIC

But there can't be much time left. What do we do?

DOCTOR

Abandon methodical procedure for blind instinct. Laser cutter.

ADRIC

Laser cutter.

On the Cybership.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Full power.

CYBERLEADER

We proceed towards the destruction of Earth.

The Doctor contemplates for a moment.

DOCTOR

Hmmm, right or wrong. Here we go.

He starts to cut, but changes his mind and changes position.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Our signal has broken through.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent.

An alarm goes off.

CYBERLEADER

A fault?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

No, Leader. The bomb has been deactivated.

CYBERLEADER

That cannot be. Cybertechnology© is too advanced for Earthlings!

Back in the TARDIS.

Ow! I said don't turn it on before handing it to me!

Damn! Busy signal.

(shake fist) Gareth Jenkiiiiiniins!

NYSSA

It stopped.

TEGAN

What?

Nyssa walks to the other side of the console and flips some switches.

NYSSA

It's stopped. They've stopped transmitting. The Doctor's done it.

Back on the Cybership.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

But how did they succeed, Leader?

They read the script.

CYBERLEADER

They have been helped. We have been betrayed. Whoever has done this must be found and destroyed at once.

Have they betrayed us? Have they betrayed ... me?

Back in the cavern.

DOCTOR

Tell me, Adric. Why a bomb?

ADRIC

Doctor?

DOCTOR

Why a bomb, and not a missile or some other device, and why these particular caves? There's a reason.

ADRIC

It's not our problem, Doctor.

I want pajamas like those.

DOCTOR

Oh, isn't it?

On the Cybership.

CYBERLEADER

I should have realized sooner that the Earthlings had help.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

There's nothing on this replay that indicates who it might be.

The camera pans around as the Cyberleader watches intently.

CYBERLEADER

What is that? I know that object.

The TARDIS stands in a tunnel.

Inside the console room.

DOCTOR

Right, the bomb is deactivated. Your own scientists can dismantle it. Good luck.

LT SCOTT

But you must stay, Doctor.

PROF KYLE

You've done so much. We want to show you our gratitude.

DOCTOR

Well, thank you, thank you, but we must go. Still a great deal to do.

TEGAN

Haven't we done enough for one day?

ADRIC

We could afford to spare them a few hours, Doctor.

DOCTOR

No. there isn't time.

TEGAN

Where are we rushing off to?

DOCTOR

Sector 16.

NYSSA

Well, that's deep space.

TEGAN

Sounds great fun.

ADRIC

The Doctor wants us to look at the

THAT object? That one THERE?

Better than sector 7G.

people who built the androids.

LT SCOTT

Do you know where they are?

DOCTOR

No, just from where their signal originated.

LT SCOTT

Then you must let us come with you.

NYSSA

We can't fight androids by our self.

DOCTOR

Well, I'm hoping that won't be necessary.

LT SCOTT

If my planet is being threatened I'd like to do something to help.

PROF KYLE

Indeed.

DOCTOR

All right.

The TARDIS dematerializes.

A line drawing of the TARDIS appears in the Cybervisualizer™.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

What is it?

CYBERLEADER

A TARDIS.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

A Time Lord? But they're forbidden to interfere.

FIRST DOCTOR

Emotions. Love, pride, hate, fear. Have you no emotions, then.

CYBERLEADER

It was in this regenerated form that he confined the Cybermen to their ice

Oh, go and play Motorstorm with your helmet on.

EVERYBODY had a BBC Micro in those days.

Pre-restoration team.

tomb on Telos.

SECOND DOCTOR

I imagine you have orders to destroy me.

CYBERLEADER

And as this, he defeated us in our attempt to destroy Voga, the planet of gold.

FOURTH DOCTOR

You've no home planet, no influence, nothing. You're just a pathetic bunch of tin soldiers skulking about the galaxy in an ancient spaceship.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

I did not see any of these men in the cave.

CYBERLEADER

It appears he has regenerated again.

(SPECIAL EDITION ADDITION)

Now the scanner shows Rory, with the Cyberfleet exploding behind him.

RORY

Would you like me to repeat the question?

CYBERLEADER

Whatever his form, he must be found...and destroyed!

In the TARDIS an endless parade of people comes out of the console room.

LT SCOTT

Bigger than you think.

DOCTOR

Uh, Adric.

ADRIC

Yes, Doctor?

DOCTOR

Do you have a moment?

Not vidfired.

Telos about it.

Rory is cool.

ADRIC

I'm hungry.

DOCTOR

Well, you can join the others later.

Nyssa walks past him.

ADRIC

Well?

DOCTOR

Look, I'm very grateful for your help with deactivating the bomb.

Adric giggles like a school girl.

ADRIC

That's all right.

DOCTOR

It was very brave of you. Also, the way you tackled the android.

ADRIC

All part of the daily routine.

DOCTOR

Hmmm. Look, I've been thinking about your wish to return home.

ADRIC

And?

DOCTOR

Well, I thought if we could work out a satisfactory course, I might give it a try.

ADRIC

Well, I've already done so, Doctor.

DOCTOR

Really?

ADRIC

As you can see here, I've even managed to calculate the way into the CVE, the gateway through E-Space.

DOCTOR

Can I eat your celery?

Can I drink your milkshake?

Shh, you don't ask permission for that, you just do it.

I promise we can go to McDonald's.

I don't wanna know about your daily routines.

Nobody likes a math geek, Adric.

You've done extremely well.

ADRIC

Thank you.

DOCTOR

Look, uh, I'm sorry about our argument earlier.

ADRIC

So am I. I overreacted.

DOCTOR

Do you really want to go home?

ADRIC

No, of course not. There's nothing there for me anymore.

DOCTOR

So you've done all these calculations for nothing.

ADRIC

Well, it made a point, didn't it? Besides, who knows? I might change my mind again.

The Doctor hits him with the tablet and walks out.

Back on the Cybership.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Our deep space probes have identified the TARDIS.

CYBERLEADER

It's destination?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

The freighter.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent. Our contingency plans can go ahead.

CYBERLEADER

The attack on Earth will proceed accordingly.

Two models space ship hang in apace.

I'll have your paper graded and back to you tomorrow.

I want to go to Santa's Village.

Alzarius Disneyland, maybe?

Dig those oven mitts.

RINGWAY

The captain's been on the space station a long time.

BERGER

Everything will be all right.

RINGWAY

Well, I wish I had your confidence. Three men have disappeared in the last two weeks. It would take just one word from a disgruntled member of the crew and this ship will be stuck here for months pending an enquiry.

BERGER

They won't say anything. They know if we don't deliver on time it will cost them their bonus.

RINGWAY

Well, I wouldn't be so certain. Morale is very low.

BERGER

And with every negative thought you have, Ringway, it sinks even lower. You're supposed to be an officer. Smile when you talk to the crew. Reassure them.

RINGWAY

Security scan in Section 15 is still non-functional.

BERGER

Oh, for heaven's sake.

There's a beep

BERGER

Bridge.

CREWMEMBER (v.o)

The captain is about to come on board.

BERGER

Thank you. Now, isn't that good news?

The TARDIS materializes in a hold somewhere in the

She had an iPhone back in the 80s?

Tracking!
Restoration team, where are you?

freighter.

In the console room.

PROF KYLE

This is where the beam came from?

DOCTOR

As near as I've been able to trace it.

NYSSA

The freighter could be nothing more than a relay point.

DOCTOR

And the crew entirely innocent of what's going on. So, we'll start with a recce.

ADRIC

May I come?

DOCTOR

You sure?

ADRIC

Yes.

They leave the TARDIS.

Back on the Cybership the TARDIS appears in the Cybervisualizer™.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent.

Back on the freighter the Doctor and Adric slowly exit the TARDIS.

ADRIC

Which way?

DOCTOR

Oh, I don't think it really matters.

The Doctor puts his hat on and they walk away.

Back on the bridge. Two crewmembers enter carrying Briggs' suitcases. She follows behind.

BRIGGS

So now that they've all traveled in the TARDIS, are they companions too?

No way.
Way.

Take that straight to my cabin.

CREWMEMBER
Captain.

RINGWAY
Welcome aboard. ma'am.

BRIGGS
Don't call me ma'am on the bridge.

RINGWAY
Sorry, Captain.

BRIGGS
Get that transponder code fed into the navigational computer at once. I want to get underway.

RINGWAY
Yes, Captain.

BRIGGS
Seven hours they kept me waiting.
Seven hours. I'm exhausted.

BERGER
Were there problems with security?

BRIGGS
Earth's on red alert. Some interstellar conference. That's why they're checking that bit more carefully.

BERGER
That explains why we were scanned half a dozen times.

BRIGGS
Well, there'll be no more problems from now on. I've got a clearance straight through to Earth. Our bonus is safe.

RINGWAY
There was no mention of the missing crewmembers?

BERGER
Mr. Ringway was concerned that might be the reason for you being delayed.

Been shopping?
No, been shopping!
Pick up any TVs?
No, but I got a wankle-rotary-engine! They were all out of brontosauruses.
But I'm never standing outside Target at midnight again.

BRIGGS

Oh, panicking again, was he? No, no mention, Mr Ringway.

RINGWAY

I just happen to think, uh, that the disappearance of three crewmembers rather important, that's all.

BRIGGS

So do I, mister, but it's something that can be settled when we get back to Earth, and our cargo's delivered safely, understood?

There are some beeps.

BRIGGS

Make ready to get underway. If it makes you any happier, double the patrols. I don't want any mention of this. You're beginning to bore me!

Back in the TARDIS.

LT SCOTT

I should have gone with them.

NYSSA

The Doctor will be all right.

An alarm goes off.

TEGAN

What's that?

They walk over to the console. And look at it momentarily.

NYSSA

The freighter's gone into warp drive.

In the freighter two crewmembers look at the hold from a gantry.

VANCE

I don't fancy walking around that lot.

Back on the bridge.

It would be, but those three *weren't* important.

I don't recognize the ringtone.

Welcome to PhiCorp.

BRIGGS

Who's on first watch?

BERGER

I am, captain.

BRIGGS

I wish you luck. I'm going to my cabin.

Ringway knocks on the faulty scanner panel

RINGWAY

I thought I'd check the security patrols.

BRIGGS

You do that, mister. I'm sure they'd appreciate it.

Briggs leaves.

RINGWAY

Why is she always running me down?

BERGER

I'll give you a bit of advice. You shouldn't sound so earnest all the time.

They share a special moment.

The two crewmembers walk down a stairway.

VANCE

You could hide an army down here and no one would find it.

They walk slowly through a section of the hold, and eventually stop at a hallway, and one of them looks down it.

CREWMEMBER

What's that?

Some shadows flicker in a hallway by Silo 16.

VANCE

What?

CREWMEMBER

It's gone. I'm sure I saw something move

THIRD BASE!

(beat) ...I said LUCK!

Thank you. And don't call me Ernest.

VANCE
Where?

CREWMEMBER
By Silo 16.

VANCE
Are you sure?

CREWMEMBER
Let's look.

They move in the direction of Silo 16.

In another part of the hold Adric carefully looks round a corner. The Doctor confidently strides past him.

ADRIC
Look, aren't we being a bit casual about this?

DOCTOR
Well, there's no one about. The ship's totally automated.

DOCTOR
A small one somewhere.

ADRIC
But not down here. What's the point of going on?

DOCTOR
I want to announce my **presence**, and see what the reaction is.

ADRIC
And how will they know we're here?

We see a security camera with a red light. The Doctor nods knowingly and they walk on.

In the Cybership an alarm goes off and the Cyberleader flips a switch.

CYBERLEADER
Report.

RINGWAY
The freighter has security clearance for

(Adric) Doctor, do you think these cylinders are full of Cheerios?

(whiny) You said there would *be* no presents this year.

its journey to Earth. There is one problem. The disappearance of the three crewmembers has caused a lot of unrest.

CYBERLEADER

Get your minions to search the hold. You will find a scapegoat there.

RINGWAY

Leader?

CYBERLEADER

You have intruders!

The Doctor and Adric walk down a stairway.

ADRIC

I don't like being so far from the TARDIS.

DOCTOR

Someone should have seen us by now.

ADRIC

Look, why don't we go back?

DOCTOR

Minute or two more.

They walk on.

In another part of the hold Ringway looks around methodically. He eventually pulls out his radio.

RINGWAY

Ringway to Vance. Report please.

The camera zooms in on the hold.

VANCE

This is Vance, sir.

RINGWAY

Report position.

VANCE

Low walkway. Just passing Silo 529. We've spotted someone, sir.

RINGWAY (v.o.)

These guys get the BFGs.

Then apprehend him. I'll be down directly.

The Doctor and Adric wander around some more they stop at a junction and the Doctor looks around. Adric looks back.

DOCTOR

What's the matter?

ADRIC

I got the feeling we were spotted rather a long time ago.

DOCTOR

We're being followed?

They walk on.

Ringway walks down a flight of stairs at an excruciatingly slow pace brandishing his gun.

In another part of the hold Vance rounds a corner and bumps into the other crewmember.

VANCE

We've lost him.

The other crewmember walks a ways and looks through a gap where he sees someone run past.

CREWMEMBER

No we haven't.

On the bridge Berger studies the monitor earnestly. She sees the Doctor and Adric walking down a hallway.

BERGER

I'm sorry to disturb you, Captain, but we have intruders in the hold.

BRIGGS (v.o.)

I'll come up right away.

Back in the hold the two crewmembers enter an open area.

VANCE

Well, where did he go?

No, actually, your complexion is not all that bad today.

Sure is quiet in this here space freighter.

Which way did he go, George?

They run off stage right.

CREWMEMBER
There!

Long shot of hold.

The Doctor and Adric sit on a stairway.

CREWMEMBER
We've got to help them somehow.

Long shot of hold.

The Doctor and Adric sit on a stairway.

ADRIC
Why won't they show themselves?

The two crewmembers scream agonizingly.

ADRIC
What's happening?

Adric starts to get up. (D'oh!)

DOCTOR
Over there!

They run off.

Back to the bridge.

BRIGGS
Have you got them yet?

BERGER
No, Captain.

BRIGGS
Why not?

BERGER
They're out of camera range.

BRIGGS
I don't want to lose them. Sound the
general alarm. I want them caught.

Berger sounds the general alarm.

General Alarm! (salute)

In the hold the alarm blares over badly foyleed running footsteps.

Ringway runs pat the camera.

The Doctor and Adric run in a different part of the hold. The Doctor gets ahead of Adric.

ADRIC
Doctor! Doctor, over here!

The two crewmembers lie dead in an adjacent hallway. The Doctor walks up to them.

DOCTOR
They're finished.

ADRIC
Look, let's go before we're caught and blamed.

DOCTOR
I've seen wounds inflicted this way before.

Ringway creeps up behind them.

ADRIC
Doctor, we have got to get out of here.

DOCTOR
Yes.

They turn to leave and run into Ringway.

RINGWAY
On this ship we execute murderers.

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DOCTOR
Then make sure you kill the right people. Look at them!

RINGWAY
No tricks.

DOCTOR
Look at the state they're in.

On the bridge.

We're running... we're running...

(whisper) I see dead people.

THE BOY DID IT!

CAPT BRIGGS

Turn that thing off. What's the delay? Where's Ringway?

The communicator rings.

BERGER

Bridge.

RINGWAY (v.o.)

I've apprehended two stowaways.

CAPT BRIGGS

Apprehended. Why can't he say 'caught'? So melodramatic.

BERGER

Take them to the brig.

CAPT BRIGGS

I'd rather have them up here.

RINGWAY

Vance and Carson are dead, murdered by the stowaways.

CAPT BRIGGS

Oh, that's all we need.

RINGWAY

Their bodies are by silo 941.

CAPT BRIGGS

Well get a stretcher party down there. You've done well, Mister, you'll get extra bonus.

RINGWAY

I'd rather have Vance and Carson alive.

The Cybermen are checking out the action.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Which one is the Doctor?

CYBERLEADER

The tall one with the fair hair. Even under the threat of death he has the arrogance of a Time Lord.

Yeah, where is Ringworm?

Stretcher party! Wooo!

There, I SHOT you a look, did you see that?

Aw, I'd say his hair is a bit nicer than fair. I'd say it's excellent.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Now that the Doctor is a prisoner,
it is time to secure the freighter.

CYBERLEADER

Indeed. But the Doctor must be
taken alive. He must suffer for our
past defeats.

In the TARDIS.

LT SCOTT

I think I should go and look for
him.

NYSSA

No, wait. You might spoil things.

TEGAN

The Doctor's quite capable. And
Nyssa's right. A show of force
might ruin everything.

LT SCOTT

I hope you're right.

*The stretcher party carry the stretcher down the stairs
past the ascending Adric, Doctor, and Ringway.
Adric's got his hands up.*

RINGWAY

There's no hurry, they're quite
dead. Aren't they?

DOCTOR

Look –

ADRIC

What do we have to say to
convince you that we're not
stowaways?

RINGWAY

There's nothing you can say.

DOCTOR

Let me show you how we traveled
here. We have a ship of our own.
We don't need to be stowaways.

RINGWAY

How about a show of fives?
A puppet show?

The thrill of victory and the agony of the feet.

Moving moving moving...

I'm a time lord, I can do that.

Stowaways or pirates, you're still murderers. Keep moving.

Back at Cyber control.

CYBERLEADER

Activate my personal guard.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Will that be enough, leader?

CYBERLEADER

The crew is small. They will offer little resistance.

The lieutenant operates some controls.

On the Bridge.

CAPT BRIGGS

You've caused me a great deal of trouble.

DOCTOR

I assure you, you have the wrong people.

RINGWAY

Don't answer the Captain back.

CAPT BRIGGS

Quite all right, Ringway, I can fight my own battles, thank you. I suppose you're going to say you know nothing about the disappearance of three of my crewmembers.

DOCTOR

How can we? We've only just arrived on your ship.

CAPT BRIGGS

Someone's responsible!

ADRIC

It isn't us!

An alarm sounds.

BERGER

Cybermen are go!

Please, sir, can I have a power surge?

A power surge!

The information comes up on the monitors.

CAPT BRIGGS

Is this your work?

In the TARDIS, Nyssa is pretending to do something useful.

NYSSA

I don't understand this. There's a strong electromagnetic field nearby.

TEGAN

So what?

NYSSA

Its sheer size. It's massive.

TEGAN

Well, could it harm the Doctor and Adric?

NYSSA

I can't tell without knowing what's happening.

At Cybercontrol.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Receptors fully charged.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent. Activate.

The lieutenant flips some toggle switches on the control console.

Elsewhere, a Cyberman wrapped in plastic begins to stir.

Its fingers flex.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Reaction readings steady.

CYBERLEADER

Continue.

Visicalc? Lotus 1-2-3?

That's what she said.

He's Mint In Box! You can get a lot more for him on eBay that way!

The Cyberman pulls the plastic wrap from its face as it continues to come to life.

On the Bridge.

CAPT BRIGGS

A bomb? On Earth? Controlled from this ship?

ADRIC

It's all true!

DOCTOR

Every word.

BERGER

At least his story is original.

CAPT BRIGGS

Are you trying to make a fool of me?

DOCTOR

No, I wouldn't dare.

RINGWAY

He's just wasting time.

DOCTOR

You said yourself, things have occurred you can't explain.

CAPT BRIGGS

It doesn't follow that I've got a band of conspirators at work on this ship!

DOCTOR

Well, the crewmen who've disappeared may have discovered otherwise.

BERGER

Why are you listening to this fool? He'll say anything to wriggle his way out of it.

Another alarm sounds.

CAPT BRIGGS

What's that?

BERGER

It's happening again. A power surge.

Back in the TARDIS, Scott checks Facebook on his wrist-band iPhone.

LT SCOTT

We've waited long enough.

PROF KYLE

The lieutenant's right. The Doctor could be in a lot of trouble.

NYSSA

I'm as concerned as you, but my instinct is to wait.

PROF KYLE

Why?

NYSSA

Things don't feel right.

TEGAN

The electromagnetic field?

NYSSA

Yes. I want things to settle down before we go out.

On the bridge they are looking at a system schematic on the monitor.

CAPT BRIGGS

The power loss is enormous.

DOCTOR

How often has this happened?

BERGER

A few times. But never on this scale.

A box on the schematic flashes red.

BERGER

There's your power loss! Hold number four.

He's updating his Facebook status.

Pac-Man!

Nom nom nom

Get your foot off my scale.

CAPT BRIGGS

Well, get a squad down there at once.

DOCTOR

Can't you isolate the power line?

BERGER

Not without closing down half the ship, it's a main cable.

DOCTOR

Well it's the only way you'll stop them.

CAPT BRIGGS

Who?

DOCTOR

I don't know. But I have the feeling whatever's causing your power loss is out for considerably more than control of this ship.

At Cybercontrol.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Personal guard fully activated.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

The Captain of the freighter will see that his power lines have been tapped.

CYBERLEADER

Why did you not jam their instruments?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Our demand on their electrical supply was too great. The ship's computer was alerted.

CYBERLEADER

We will take the bridge at once. Continue the reactivation.

On the bridge, Ringway inserts an electronic key into

A Mod Squad?

(know) But I have a feeling the viewers do.

Ooh Button!

a lock. The door slides open to reveal a weapons locker. He begins to hand out rifles one by one to the crew.

The schematic on the screen has more zones flashing different colors.

CAPT BRIGGS
Ringway?

RINGWAY
Yes, Captain.

CAPT BRIGGS
Stand fast.

BERGER
We must come out of warp drive.

CAPT BRIGGS
No!

BERGER
If we continue to lose power at this rate our engines could misphase.

CAPT BRIGGS
I will not risk losing my bonus for a few miserable stowaways.

DOCTOR
Your first officer is right. You must listen to her.

CAPT BRIGGS
No.

ADRIC
Why not?

BERGER
The transponder would inform Earth security that we deviated from flight schedule. If Earth is on red alert, we would be stopped.

CAPT BRIGGS
We haven't got time. If I'm late delivering my cargo, I not only lose my bonus, but I have to pay a heavy fine.

One cross each...

(Pac-Man death sound)

Huh huh, she said bonus.

Why will no one listen to me?

DOCTOR

The story about the bomb is true.
Whoever planted it is now in your
hold!

CAPT BRIGGS

I will not stop this ship.

DOCTOR

You've got clearance through to
Earth! That's where they want to
go! You're giving them safe
passage!

CAPT BRIGGS (to Ringway)

Position your men on the high
walkway. What's down there stays
there.

RINGWAY

Yes, Captain.

ADRIC

Now, look, you must listen to the
Doctor.

CAPT BRIGGS

I've no reason to believe either of
you two.

BERGER

Then believe your own
instruments, Captain.

CAPT BRIGGS

We will go on.

And get away from my safe passage.

Fail.

In the TARDIS.

NYSSA

The magnetic field is reducing. It
should be safe to go out.

LT SCOTT

Right. We're moving out.

TEGAN

I want to come with you.

LT SCOTT

No. It could be rough.

TEGAN

I think I'd find it rougher waiting!

PROF KYLE

Are you sure? You're not even dressed for it.

TEGAN

Are you going out?

PROF KYLE

No.

TEGAN

Then lend me your overalls.

LT SCOTT

Ah...

NYSSA

Don't bother to argue.

He sighs. He hands Nyssa a communicator.

LT SCOTT

If the Doctor returns, call me. I don't want to be out there any longer than I have to.

Nyssa opens the door, and Scott and his troops slowly file out. Without waiting for Tegan.

Inside the freighter, the crew prepare for ...something.

RINGWAY

Bring some more down here.
Down here.

They are stacking boxes up for flimsy barricades. This makes no sense, why should they even think something is coming?

Ringway is lost in thought. Oh of course, what a giveaway, he knows what's there.

On the TARDIS scanner, Lt Scott's troops begin to move out. Tegan is with them. She changed fast.

I like it rough.

Is that a Zune? Loser.

Backstage after the Katrina & the Waves concert.

For this special edition we wanted to reinstate the scene of Tegan changing clothes but Eric Saward

Kyle comes from the inner rooms.

PROF KYLE

Oh. Is there nothing positive we can do?

NYSSA

Try not to worry.

On the bridge, the schematic has gone still.

BERGER

Power loss has stabilized.

CAPT BRIGGS

Can we hold warp speed?

BERGER

Just about.

CAPT BRIGGS

I knew it. We'll make it yet.

ADRIC (to Doctor)

Do you remember what you asked me after we'd deactivated the bomb?

DOCTOR

Why a bomb and not some other device.

ADRIC

Well, with the Earth on red alert, a missile wouldn't get through.

DOCTOR

Mmm. We still don't know what they're really after.

Scott's troops continue moving.

They pause at each intersection of row between silos, using caution. They move on slowly.

There are three troops along with Lt Scott and Tegan.

On the Bridge.

BERGER

Captain, look.

wouldn't let us have the footage.

Tegan didn't have any change in her pockets. Damn.

Don't be so negative.

They mean to win Wimbledon!

The monitor screens showing surveillance video begin to go dark.

CAPT BRIGGS

This could be it.

They trigger Ringway's communicator.

RINGWAY

Ringway.

CAPT BRIGGS

Stand by. The security cameras are on the blink.

DOCTOR

Perhaps I could help.

CAPT BRIGGS

You stay where you are.

BERGER

We should secure these two in the brig.

CAPT BRIGGS

Not yet. I want them where I can see them.

Out in the corridors.

RINGWAY

To your positions. Take cover.

The crewmembers all take up places that don't seem strategic at all, some behind the stack of two tiny boxes, others up on the top level of the high school bleachers.

On the bridge, the schematic diagram flashes red again, then goes black.

CAPT BRIGGS

We've regained full power. Right, on your feet, you two.

DOCTOR

About time.

CAPT BRIGGS

I'm on tv!

Except for that one, obviously.

Oh, I wanted that spot.

Well, you should have got here sooner, then.

Like plastic bins will be a good defensive barrier. The freighter is working for the Container Store?

That is the worst Tetris ripoff I've ever seen.

Be quiet.

Out in the corridors, a troop of seven Cybermen march slowly forward, led by the Cyberleader.

Meanwhile, Lt Scott's party have paused.

TEGAN

It's vast. We'll never find him.

LT SCOTT

You wanted to come.

TEGAN

I know. I'm just a mouth on legs.

The Cybermen continue, though it looks like they've turned around and are going the other way down the same corridor (which is likely).

On the Bridge.

RINGWAY (o.s.)

There's something on the move.

CAPT BRIGGS

I can't see anything yet.

Has anyone realized that the screen they're watching shouldn't be working, since they all stopped a moment ago? No? Okay. So, their expressions change as the Cybermen stride into view at the top of the picture. Also, the camera moves slightly, as fixed security cameras always seem to do in movies and television.

CAPT BRIGGS

Are these your friends?

DOCTOR

Definitely not.

ADRIC

What are they?

Now the security camera seems to be about knee-height and still isn't fixed.

DOCTOR

Cybermen.

There is the sound of thunder. For some reason.

No, loves, you're walking wrong...

The Cybermen have nicely defined backsides.

Ooh! Intercourse the Cybermen!

In the hold, two Cybermen have come to the first insurmountable barricade. It's a box that they simply push out of the way.

The freighter's crew begin firing on the Cybermen, which has no effect. The Cybermen begin firing back, killing them.

There is a huge battle involving slow moving Cybermen and a few people not doing much. The Cybermen advance up the steps.

BERGER

Are they robots?

DOCTOR

Far worse. You must withdraw your men. They don't stand a chance.

CAPT BRIGGS

Neither will we, if those things get up here.

The Cybermen casually continue heading up the stairs while stupid humans continue firing at them.

Lt Scott's party have heard the battle and are rushing in its direction.

LT SCOTT

Could that be the Doctor?

TEGAN

I hope not. Guns are not his style at all.

LT SCOTT

All right. Set weapons on kill. I'm not taking any chances.

He steels himself, and takes Tegan's hand.

LT SCOTT

Slowly, now.

Ringway has a sidearm drawn as he returns to the bridge. He stops outside the door.

On the top level, the stupid humans continue firing at

Pyu! Pyu!
Their BFGs are worthless.

(far worse) GHOST robots?

That actually doesn't make any sense.

There's more pushy boxes.
I see some panty lines.
"Leader, next invasion, we wear thongs!"

Mine's set on 'embarrass'.
Newbie!

the Cybermen. Then they decide to retreat.

The Cybermen go up the high school bleachers.

Slowly.

They push some of the little boxes aside as if they are little boxes. Crew members lay dead all over the stairs, well, a few of them.

They continue going up, slowly.

On the bridge again.

CAPT BRIGGS

Our defenses are crumbling. We must help.

BERGER

We can't leave these two.

As they head toward the weapons cabinet, Ringway is revealed standing there, gun pointed in their direction.

CAPT BRIGGS

We must take them with us.

RINGWAY

No you won't. Stay where you are.

CAPT BRIGGS

Ringway!

RINGWAY

Yes, Captain?

CAPT BRIGGS

The enemy's outside, mister!
You're pointing your gun in the wrong direction!

RINGWAY

I'm relieving you of command.

CAPT BRIGGS

Oh, come off it.

RINGWAY

Shut up! I'm tired of your snide remarks and bullying ways.

THIS is what happens when you don't take your shoes off at the airport.

(As Cyb stumbles slightly)

If I trip, will you catch me?

No.

Well, I hate you then.

You can't hate me, you have no emotion.

Oh yeah.

Muahahaha!

DOCTOR

Oh, you haven't seen anything.
Wait until the Cybermen start.

RINGWAY

You know them?

DOCTOR

Oh, yes. We go back a long way.

More little boxes are being pushed around by stupid humans who have retreated into the corridor leading to the bridge. They stack them up, I mean, they proved to be an effective barrier last time, right?

The Cybermen come around the corner, and the humans start firing on them again.

And dying.

DOCTOR

This slaughter is pointless.

RINGWAY

Your crew is redundant. The Cybermen will soon be in command.

CAPT BRIGGS

You traitor!

DOCTOR

It's the Cybermen's way.

CAPT BRIGGS

They must have paid you a lot for this.

DOCTOR

I'll bet it isn't in gold.

RINGWAY

Shut up!

DOCTOR

Cybermen are rather allergic to the stuff, brings them out in a cold sweat.

ADRIC

I took them to the senior prom. ALL of them. It was a long night.

This EPISODE is pointless.
There's one companion who is pointless.
Actually two.

They promised me Scringestone!

Why?

DOCTOR

Clogs up their chest units.
Suffocates them. Doesn't it?

RINGWAY

Just keep talking, Doctor. When
the time comes, killing you is
gonna be a joy.

*Outside, Lt Scott motions his party to move forward
down the stretch of silos.*

*They move down the corridor along the stretch of
silos.*

Back on the bridge.

CAPT BRIGGS

Where do these Cybermen come
from?

DOCTOR

Originally Mondas, but that was
destroyed. You know, I'm
surprised they didn't mention me.

RINGWAY

Perhaps you overestimate your
importance.

DOCTOR

Oh, I doubt it. Especially as I
confined them to a frozen tomb on
Telos. They didn't mention that
either? Oh, my, they have been
forgetful.

Adric has been taking his badge off. Ringway sees.

RINGWAY

What's that?

ADRIC

A badge.

RINGWAY

I see it's a badge. What's it made
of?

All about you, isn't it?

ADRIC

I don't know.

RINGWAY

It's gold.

ADRIC

Wha? Go--? Oh, only the edge. It couldn't do any harm.

RINGWAY

Trying to hide it from me, were you?

DOCTOR

Listen. The firing's stopped.

RINGWAY

Berger. Where's Berger?

They take him by surprise as he steps forward.

The Doctor disarms him. Briggs chops him down.

ADRIC

Look out!

The Cybermen have reached the open door, but Berger has activated the control.

The door falls shut before they get inside.

In the other corridor, the Cybermen kick aside those intimidating boxes and walk past the corpses.

The Doctor, still holding Ringway's gun, picks up Adric's badge and looks at it. Behind him, more Cybermen appear in a different door.

DOCTOR

Berger!

He raises the gun.

Outside, more Cybermen walk past corpses.

DOCTOR

Those shields won't hold them there for long.

CAPT BRIGGS

DENIED.

Your barrier is crap and I'm kicking it over to prove it.

Close the portal!

They'll last until we get back to Earth.

DOCTOR

And then?

CAPT BRIGGS

There's only a few of them, our security men will cope with them.

DOCTOR

They're an invasion force. Earth is where they want to go. There are considerably more than a few on board.

ADRIC

How many of these silos are you carrying?

CAPT BRIGGS

Oh, fifteen thousand, or...

Did you see that penny drop?

CAPT BRIGGS

It's not possible.

The Cyberleader reaches the squad at the door.

CYBERLEADER

Have you tested their defenses?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Yes, leader. We are able to break through them.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent. Prepare to break through the bulkhead shields. Is the Doctor on the bridge?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

He is.

CYBERLEADER

He must be taken alive.

In the freighter corridors.

TEGAN

Hey, did you see that penny drop?

Oh yes.
OH YEAH!

He still owes me a frappucino.

I'm exhausted.

LT SCOTT

Sh! Keep your voice down.

They have arrived at the location of the battle. Scott dashes up the stair and checks one of the fallen people.

LT SCOTT

He's dead.

TEGAN

It's a massacre.

LT SCOTT

Doctor and Adric?

TEGAN

No.

She sees Cybermen.

TEGAN

Look!

LT SCOTT

Take cover!

Tegan moves back.

LT SCOTT

Get back!

They hide around the corner.

On the bridge, they watch what's happening just outside the door on the screen.

The Cybermen have brought a large gun or laser with them.

BERGER

We could pump all the air out of the hold.

DOCTOR

Mm-hmm. Unfortunately, Cybermen don't need it. Is there any way you could jettison the hold?

All those poor storage containers!

It's not them, unless they've painted themselves silver...*again*.

More Cyber-arse.

CAPT BRIGGS

None.

Ringway, on the floor, moans.

ADRIC

I think Mr Ringway is recovering.

CAPT BRIGGS

Pity. I've just composed a particularly nasty epitaph for him.

The Cybermen guards under observation by Scott's party are trading jokes.

LT SCOTT

Whatever they are, they're going to be difficult to kill.

TEGAN

We haven't tried yet.

LT SCOTT

Look at those bodies. Same rifles as ours.

TEGAN

So?

LT SCOTT

Have you seen any of those silver things dead?

On the bridge.

CAPT BRIGGS

Would threatening to kill him slow those tin things down?

DOCTOR

Not at all.

RINGWAY

You're all dead, why don't you surrender?

DOCTOR

Not yet. There may be a way to neutralize that.

"He was a jerk. Then he died."

Would killing him slow them down?

Not at all.

Would killing him and throwing him at them?

Back outside.

TEGAN

Do we go on?

LT SCOTT

Past them?

TEGAN

Is there another way?

Outside the bridge.

CYBERLEADER

Ready?

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Yes, leader.

CYBERLEADER

Then activate the thermal lance.

The scout puts the lance up against the door. We cut to a freeze frame of it, as the door around the tip begins to glow a pinkish red.

The whole door is glowing within seconds. Inside, Adric holds up his arms to protect from the intense heat.

ADRIC

Doctor!

DOCTOR

They've started. I see from the computer the ship is powered by antimatter.

CAPT BRIGGS

So?

DOCTOR

How is the antimatter contained?

CAPT BRIGGS

A stabilized vessel. Berger's the expert.

DOCTOR

Is there any way we can tap the stabilizing device?

Hi! I'm Thermal Lance! If I don't make you red hot, you get your money back!

And duct tape.

BERGER

Yes. The machinery's here.

She opens a panel.

DOCTOR

Excellent.

ADRIC

Are we going to try and stabilize the shield?

DOCTOR

Yes.

CAPT BRIGGS

Will it work?

BERGER

It might. It's worth a try.

Back in the TARDIS.

PROF KYLE

Shall we call them?

NYSSA

No!

She walks over and takes the communicator from Kyle.

NYSSA

I'm sure everything's all right.

The lance is still aimed at the door.

Inside.

ADRIC (whiny)

Just explain what you're trying to do.

DOCTOR

We are under attack, Adric.

ADRIC

Well, then, tell me quickly!

DOCTOR

Now go to my room.

YOINK!

Low battery. Low battery.

All right! First, tell me, what is the square root of 3.69873?

ADRIC

Oh, about 1.92321.

It comes up on the screen after the Doctor punches it in. The answer shows that Adric rounded up.

BERGER

That's not possible.

DOCTOR

Oh, he's very good. And almost right.

ADRIC

Will you just try and explain what you're doing?

DOCTOR

Antimatter powers the ship. For the antimatter to remain safe it has to be contained in a vessel with a totally stable molecular structure, otherwise it would... well, blow to bits.

ADRIC

But no such material exists.

DOCTOR

Absolutely right, although with computer controlled electronics, it is possible to simulate it.

ADRIC

But you're saying that that machine will constantly adjust and readjust the molecular structure of the antimatter vessel?

DOCTOR

Right. However destructive the antimatter is, the vessel is always stable.

ADRIC

That's very clever.

DOCTOR

But he's still emo and homeless.

Oh it is.

BERGER

But will the device work to stabilize the shield?

DOCTOR

Well, if it doesn't... we're dead.

Out in the hold, the Cyber guards are still telling jokes.

TEGAN

Can you cope with the two of them?

LT SCOTT

I hope so. But I've got to get a clear shot at both of them.

On the bridge.

CAPT BRIGGS

This shield's not gonna last much longer!

BERGER

I'd better tell the computer what we're up to.

DOCTOR

Right! Hurry!

Back to the joking Cybermen.

TEGAN

Now?

LT SCOTT

No. I want that second one just a bit closer.

It moves back a bit.

LT SCOTT

Fire!

The troops open fire.

The Cybermen fall.

Then get away from it.

Standing passengers, please do not lean on the doors.
Doors closing, Doors closing.

Now? Now? Are we there yet?

Just keep swimming, just keep swimming...

Tegan rushes forward.

LT SCOTT

Come back!

She grabs the gun from one of them and shoots it as it struggles to rise.

Scott runs forward and grabs her.

LT SCOTT

Don't take risks like that again!

The other Cyberman, wounded, is limping away.

TEGAN

One of them got away.

LT SCOTT

Yes. We should get back to the TARDIS immediately.

TEGAN

Not before we've found the Doctor and Adric.

On the bridge.

BERGER

Ready when you are.

DOCTOR

Right.

CAPT BRIGGS

Hurry, Doctor!

DOCTOR

Just a second!

CYBERLEADER

The shield is now soft enough.
Break through!

On the inside, one of the Cybermen's hands punches through the shield. As soon as it does, the Doctor puts two wires into the hand.

DOCTOR

Now!

Tegan auditions for an episode of Sledge Hammer!

By the way, did I tell you I'm retiring in a week?

Sparks fly, and the Cyberman is frozen mid-way through the door, which is solid again.

They go to admire the frozen-in-carbonite look.

ADRIC

It worked!

CAPT BRIGGS

Oh, well done, Doctor!

Around the other door, the Cyberleader goes for plan B.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

You are right, leader. The Doctor is a formidable opponent.

CYBERLEADER

I anticipated as much. Activate the charge!

The wounded Cyberman comes crawling around the corner.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Leader!

They look.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

He has been damaged by gunfire.

CYBERLEADER

There is still resistance.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

According to the Earthling, there were only ten crew members. They have all been accounted for.

CYBERLEADER

Then he has lied. Order the activation of reinforcements.

Without communicating somehow, the scout at Cyber control pushes a button to activate reinforcements.

CYBERLEADER

Charges primed?

Ooh! Han Solo!

It's that Cyberman I don't recognize cuz we all look the same to me.
Oh, that's Rasputin.

CYBERLIEUTENANT

Yes, leader.

The three of them step back around the corner.

CYBERLEADER

Fire!

The other door to the bridge blasts open, a hole torn right in the middle of it. The explosion throws the Doctor and the others to the floor.

DOCTOR

I should have realized.

The Cybermen come in through the damaged door. There's a lot of them, even though there were only three outside.

CAPT BRIGGS

No!

Ringway disarms her.

The rest of the Cybermen come in and take their marks. The Cyberleader comes last.

He faces the Doctor.

CYBERLEADER

So. We meet again. Doctor.

He strolls over to his side.

Casually he gestures at one of the guards who advances menacingly on the Doctor, gun at the ready.

DOCTOR

Uh...

ADRIC

No!

DOCTOR

Uh...

But the Cyberman turns on Ringway instead, and shoots him. Ringway falls to the floor dead.

The Doctor looks on in shock.

I've got splinters in me arse.
What, again?

Oh, I'm bad with names. Krarg, right?

CYBERLEADER

He deceived us.

DOCTOR

You never change. Always the perfect guests.

In the TARDIS.

PROF KYLE

What happens to us if the Doctor doesn't come back?

NYSSA

It depends where this ship's going.

PROF KYLE

You can't fly the TARDIS?

NYSSA

I understand some of the principles.

PROF KYLE

But you couldn't get us back to Earth?

NYSSA

Not without difficulty.

On the bridge.

CYBERLEADER

Our records indicate that you have a fondness for Earth.

DOCTOR

Fondness. I'm surprised your emotionless brain understands the word.

CYBERLEADER

It is a word, like any other. And so is 'destruction' which is what we are going to do to that planet.

DOCTOR

You've tried before.

CYBERLEADER

This time we shall succeed, and

Got any chips?

Give us Hamms, the beer refreshing.

Just admit you haven't got a freakin' clue, will you?

Cyber joke, ladies and gentlemen.

you will live just long enough to witness it.

CYBERLIEUTENANT
Reactivation completed.

CYBERLEADER
Excellent. Now you will see our strength.

Throughout the freighter's hold, Cybermen begin bursting out of the silos.

Lt Scott's party hear the clanging.

LT SCOTT
Let's move.

TEGAN
Whatever it is, it's between us and the TARDIS.

They move, walking slowly through the rows of silos, exercising caution as they go. The noises of Cybermen breaking out continue ringing through the echoing hold.

Suddenly Cybermen begin appearing all around them, still with plastic clinging to them; they stagger with disorientation.

LT SCOTT
Take cover!

Tegan runs past the Cybermen, but Lt Scott and the others run the other way.

More Cybermen break out of more silos, ripping more plastic sheets.

Gradually they fall in line to begin their march like good Cybermen.

Tegan has taken cover under the bleachers and watches them.

More and more of them break free and begin marching.

(EPISODE FOUR)

By the way, do you like our new chins?

Where's the clang and clank?

Oh now I hear the clang.

(when they appear) They're coming to get you, Barbara!
(as Cyb) Was it you who set the alarm for 5? I'm going to kill you.

She's dead! Wrapped in plastic!

(Imperial March)

CYBERLEADER

My army awakes, Doctor!

The Doctor looks cowed.

Many multiple men (Cyber) march magnificently and menacingly. Thanks to image processing.

CAPT BRIGGS

This is piracy!

CYBERLEADER

It is war.

BERGER

The ship is in warp drive. Interfere with the navigational system and we will disintegrate!

CYBERLEADER

Your technology is primitive compared to ours, mistakes will not be made.

He punches some buttons.

Elsewhere, Tegan shoulders her weapon. She comes out of hiding and very carefully and slowly approaches a corner, around which she takes a cautious peek.

A Cyberman is there, leading two others on what seems to be a house-buying tour. They are interested in the silos.

Tegan gulps.

On the scanner in the TARDIS, they see two Cybermen on watch.

PROF KYLE

What was that?

NYSSA

I don't know. A robot.

PROF KYLE

They're huge!

The lieutenant's party is hiding under the high school bleachers. He sighs.

Here we come, walkin' down the street...

Unless we can't pick up the GPS satellite. THEN we're screwed.

Now these are our cheaper, half-bath silos...

(as Nyssa) I can see that! Their bodies are huge too!

LT SCOTT
Where's Tegan?

Back on the bridge, the Cybermen are having a programming party.

CAPT BRIGGS
What are they doing?

BERGER
I don't know. They've incorporated a machine of their own.

DOCTOR
I suspect the ship is now on a locked off, fixed coordinate.

ADRIC
Are we still going to Earth?

DOCTOR
Yes.

BERGER
Well then, why lock off the coordinates?

DOCTOR
Because I think they're turning us into a flying bomb.

Meanwhile, the silo tour continues.

Tegan leans back out of sight a full three inches, then forward again.

Back on the bridge.

CYBERLEADER
Your TARDIS has been found, Doctor.

DOCTOR
I didn't know it was lost.

CAPT BRIGGS
You're mad if you think Earth's security will let you crash into the planet. They'd shoot the ship

Cuz I'm REALLY hungry now.

That's better than the Nude Bomb.
Anything is better than The Nude Bomb.

down.

CYBERLEADER

There will not be time. You have a security transponder with clearance for Earth.

ADRIC

Yes, but why do it? On impact, the ship will destroy everything, the planet will be useless!

CYBERLEADER

There is a conference about to take place on Earth.

DOCTOR

The reason for the red alert.

CYBERLEADER

Yes. The heads of many powerful planets will be present.

DOCTOR

So, you destroy a few presidents in a needlessly destructive way.

CYBERLEADER

It is more than that. The purpose of the conference is to sign a pact uniting their military forces in a war against the Cyber race.

DOCTOR

Of course. A war you couldn't possibly win.

CYBERLEADER

Their combined forces would be too great.

DOCTOR

Destroy the conference and you destroy the unity.

CYBERLEADER

It will be a great psychological victory. The strength and might of the Cyber race will be confirmed.

DOCTOR

Sir Reginald Styles and...oh wait, did we do that one already?

"...and in this script, you see, the Cybermen replace the Daleks..."

So the freighter replaces the bomb.

CYBERLEADER

Yes, Doctor. In spite of your interference, we will still triumph!

Out by Tegan again. She sneaks around the corner, then dashes across to the other side of the corridor. Then there's another corner to peek around, with another Cyberman on patrol. She's moved a few feet and is in the same situation.

Back to Lt Scott's party.

LT SCOTT

Scott to TARDIS, come in please.

NYSSA (o.s.)

This is Nyssa.

LT SCOTT

We're coming back to the TARDIS. The hold is crawling with robots.

NYSSA (o.s.)

Any of you hurt?

LT SCOTT

No. But we got separated from Tegan.

Back to the bridge. What's a bridge for?

DOCTOR

If the freighter crashes into Earth with you on board, won't that make it rather difficult for you to carry out your task? I mean, you would be very crumpled.

CYBERLEADER

I shall not be on board, Doctor.

DOCTOR

You don't surprise me.

CYBERLEADER

My function was leader of a squad to eliminate those who survived the bomb.

The insult dog?

Scott to TARDIS, I'm standing next to an unnamed extra, what do I do? Over.

CAPT BRIGGS

Now your transport has replaced the bomb.

CYBERLEADER

I shall join a secondary force to complete the task.

CAPT BRIGGS

Are they all so dedicated?

DOCTOR

Compared to some, this one is positively flippant.

Back to Scott's party as they come down the bleachers, all these bleachers look the same to me.

Elsewhere, Tegan has to move again to hide from more Cybermen. She makes it across to the next row of silos.

Just then, a Cyberman walks out from between the rows. It doesn't see her, but she frantically grabs at her weapon, trying to ready it to defend herself. Another Cyberman comes from behind and grabs her and the gun.

Lt Scott comes out somewhere near more bleachers. He holds up his hand to those following.

LT SCOTT

Gently.

They have the TARDIS in sight.

Tegan is being Cybermanhandled up the steps toward the bridge.

The girlies see Scott's party on the scanner screen as they break cover and head toward the blue box.

PROF KYLE

They're safe!

NYSSA

And those two robots have gone.

She operates the door control.

I love Flipper.

I'm sick of the high school bleachers.

I'm gonna Cyber you all night.
Excellent! Excellent! Excellent! Excellent!
Excellent! ACTIVATE THE DEVIIIIIICE!

Outside, Scott reaches the outer door, which opens. He ducks inside. The others follow, but the last one is grabbed from behind by a Cyberman. She shrieks.

Inside, Scott and the others back in, preparing to attack the Cyberman.

LT SCOTT

Wait 'til it's near, then concentrate your fire!

The dreaded Cyberman lumbers in, weapon raised. Nyssa looks like she wants some lemonade.

LT SCOTT

Now!

The three soldiers open fire on the Cyberman. It falls to the floor, dropping its gun.

LT SCOTT

There's another one!

Nyssa reaches for the door control. The inner doors close on the incoming Cyberman, but it is half way inside and has its gun at the ready. The soldiers block it from getting in, as it fires its weapon randomly.

The console explodes in a shower of sparks.

PROF KYLE

Nyssa, get back!

She dives down to retrieve the gun from the first fallen Cyberman. When she rises to aim at the Cyberman trying to get in, it fires first. She drops the gun and collapses to the floor.

Lt Scott manages to wrestle the gun out of the Cyberman's hands. Hard to believe, but there you go.

He fires and the Cyberman begins to slide down to the floor, held up between the two doors.

Nyssa crawls over to Kyle.

NYSSA

No!

Lt Scott checks on her for a pulse.

Nyssa looks like she wants some lemonade.

LT SCOTT

It's no use.

He helps Nyssa get to her feet.

LT SCOTT

She's dead.

Outside the bridge, Tegan struggles against the Cyberman's grip as it leads her onward. It's got her by the upper arm, that legendary weak point on the female body.

As they arrive at the demolished bridge door, she sees her friends.

TEGAN

Doctor! Adric!

DOCTOR

Where did you come from?

TEGAN

That thing caught me!

ADRIC

Where's Nyssa?

TEGAN

She's safe, she's in the TARDIS!

CYBERLEADER

Who is this woman?

DOCTOR

An Earthling, no one of consequence.

TEGAN

Thanks a lot.

DOCTOR

Be quiet.

CYBERLEADER

She's one of your crew.

DOCTOR

In a manner of speaking.

CYBERLEADER

Jim.

I'm so exhausted, there are so many of them!
...I think the video is still uploading.

I see that Time Lords have emotional feelings.

DOCTOR

Of sorts.

CYBERLEADER

Surely a great weakness in one so powerful?

DOCTOR

Emotions have their uses.

CYBERLEADER

They restrict and curtail the intellect and logic of the mind.

DOCTOR

They also enhance life. When did you last have the pleasure of smelling a flower, watching a sunset, eating a well-prepared meal?

CYBERLEADER

These things are irrelevant.

DOCTOR

For some people, small beautiful events is what life is all about.

The Cyberleader looks at Tegan.

CYBERLEADER

You have... affection... for this woman?

DOCTOR

She's a friend.

CYBERLEADER

And you do not consider friendship a weakness?

DOCTOR

I do not.

The Cyberleader addresses one of his squad.

CYBERLEADER

Kill her.

A meal can be well-prepared and still taste like crap.

Yup.

Think think think think think...!

The Doctor has an oh shit expression.

Tegan begins to back away toward the wall, Adric too for some reason. The Cyberman approaches them slowly.

The Cyberleader watches with relish. An emotion, probably.

The Doctor is undecided. His agitation increases rapidly until he gives in.

DOCTOR

No!

The Cyberleader calls off the other.

CYBERLEADER

Such a reaction is not a disadvantage?

DOCTOR

No.

CYBERLEADER

You are mistaken. I now have control over you, Doctor. All I need do is threaten the woman's death for you to obey me.

The Doctor knows he's right.

Back in the TARDIS.

LT SCOTT

At least we have two of their weapons. Might make them easier to kill.

NYSSA

You're not going out again.

LT SCOTT

I haven't much choice.

NYSSA

The Doctor won't thank you for throwing away your life.

She opens the door and the troops exit...including the

The Doctor lies.

But I will. Thank you, come again!

female one who was grabbed by the Cyberman outside a short while ago.

Back on the bridge, the Doctor is in close, unsupervised conversation with Tegan.

CYBERLEADER

I return your ship to you, Captain.

CAPT BRIGGS

Really.

CYBERLEADER

You will continue your journey to Earth. The ship will function normally.

CAPT BRIGGS

We're to stay on board?

CYBERLEADER

Yes. Although your presence isn't needed, of course. The control of your ship is now totally automatic.

DOCTOR

This isn't necessary, let them go.

CYBERLEADER

And deny them the feeling of fear, the ultimate in emotional response?

DOCTOR

You've already proved your point quite adequately.

CYBERLEADER

A final demonstration might convince any doubters.

CYBERMAN

We have finished, Leader.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent. Instruct all regenerated Cybermen to evacuate the ship. You will return to Cyber control and inform main fleet of our intention.

Then clean the rest room on level 3. I think Rasputin was in there.

CYBERMAN

At once.

Out in the freighter again, Lt Scott is trying to lead his troops without being seen.

They make their way forward one at a time.

Nearby, the Cybermen are preparing to leave. The airlock controls beep as one operates them.

Scott stops his troops to watch them near the airlock door.

LT SCOTT

They're leaving.

Back on the bridge.

CYBERLEADER

You two will remain on the bridge. Should any of the crew attempt to interfere with navigational equipment, they are to be restrained.

CAPT BRIGGS

Why don't you kill us now?

CYBERLEADER

I want my guards to observe your reactions.

TEGAN

That's sadistic.

CYBERLEADER

No. Scientific. If we are to fight Earthlings, it is better we understand their weaknesses.

Freighter hold. Lt Scott leads his troops further. The woman is missing now.

Bridge.

CYBERLEADER

We leave for your TARDIS. The Earth woman as well.

TEGAN

Follow me, this way, guys!

The name is Tegan.

He has her by that vulnerable spot, the upper arm.

They all begin to leave, but the Cyberleader has other ideas. He stops the boy in the pyjamas.

DOCTOR

I want Adric, too.

CYBERLEADER

The boy stays here.

TEGAN

No!

DOCTOR

I need him to help me fly the TARDIS.

CYBERLEADER

I know that it only requires one person to pilot the TARDIS.

DOCTOR

I'm not going without him.

CYBERLEADER

The boy will stay here. If you do not cooperate, I shall have the Earth woman destroyed.

TEGAN

We can't leave without him!

The Cyberleader throws her toward the destroyed door. Meanwhile, Adric decides to try acting.

ADRIC

Take Tegan with you. I'll find my own way. Please.

CAPT BRIGGS

The boy's right. There's a chance. Leave now.

ADRIC

Please, Doctor.

CYBERLEADER

There is no chance.

Ah. Tegan Earthwoman.
They Call Me MISTER Tegan!

I'm so friggin' evil it hurts to be me!

ADRIC

Just leave!

The Doctor looks as if he is in pain, then steps over to Adric and offers his hand.

DOCTOR

Good luck, Adric.

They shake hands.

ADRIC

Goodbye, Doctor.

DOCTOR

Good luck to you all.

ADRIC

Goodbye, Tegan. I'll see you soon.

She declines to say goodbye, then is pushed through the door by the Cyberleader.

Out in the corridors, the troops move.

The party bound for the TARDIS go down some of them bleachers.

Back on the bridge.

CAPT BRIGGS

Nice to see where we're going.

BERGER

We know where we're going.

CAPT BRIGGS

Nice to see when we arrive.

At Cyber control, the Cyber scout reports.

CYBERMAN

The freighter has been evacuated.

CYBERLEADER (o.s.)

Excellent.

CYBERMAN

And a ship is being dispatched from the main fleet to collect you.

Then the Doctor slips the Cyberleader a twenty:
"Thanks buddy!"

Oh yes, the English *arrive*.

CYBERLEADER

The fleet is too far away. I will use the Doctor's TARDIS to observe the impact.

CYBERMAN

Leader?

CYBERLEADER

You will meet me there.

The scout heads off.

A control lever moves by itself.

A plastic-wrapped Cyberman begins to stir. Have we gone back in time?

The Cyberleader's group go down more steps.

TEGAN

You won't like Earth.

CYBERLEADER

Like or dislike does not come into much consideration.

TEGAN

It will when you start going rusty!

Nobody laughs.

Back in the TARDIS, Nyssa grabs a communicator off the console as it beeps.

LT SCOTT (o.s.)

This is Scott.

NYSSA

What's happening out there?

LT SCOTT (o.s.)

I don't know! Those robot things seem to have left the ship.

NYSSA

Is there any sign of the Doctor?

LT SCOTT (o.s.)

No, not yet.

I miss you.

I get to leave the set! Yay!

Oh they've just been dry-cleaned.

Yup, Raj, Rerun, Dee, they're all out there.

NYSSA

Well, be careful. That magnetic field is functioning again.

She looks down at a display.

Back on the bridge.

ADRIC

How much time have we got?

BERGER

Not long. The ship is on maximum drive.

ADRIC

Could we undo what the Cybermen have done?

CAPT BRIGGS

Given time, I'm sure.

ADRIC

But even if we could just divert the ship a degree or two, at least we'd miss Earth.

CAPT BRIGGS

We have to cope with those things, first.

The Cyberleader meets up with the scout.

CYBERMAN

Leader! The main fleet has acknowledged your intentions.

CYBERLEADER

Do they agree?

CYBERMAN

Yes, Leader. As soon as the freighter impacts, a small force will follow through, and under your instructions, subdue survivors.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent.

I can no longer access the internet.

Blah blah blah, secret hideout, blah blah blah, leave it out.

(Cyb) It's okay, I'm not listening.

(Leader!) I missed you so much!

They move on.

Elsewhere, Lt Scott keeps moving.

LT SCOTT

Marshall, you stay here and cover us. Brooks, come with me.

The three of them ascend the nearest stairs, but Marshall stops on the landing.

In the TARDIS, Nyssa reacts to the Doctor entering unexpectedly.

NYSSA

Doctor. Where's Adric?

DOCTOR

He's safe.

TEGAN

For the time being.

The Cyberleader and his two troops enter the TARDIS behind them.

Nyssa whirls around and sees them and thinks about a meal she ate once when she didn't care for the sauce.

Lt Scott and Brooks keep moving, carefully, looking around corners. They stop just outside the destroyed bridge door. Scott motions for Brooks to stay, and he steps over to the door.

Adric sees him, but Scott holds up a hand to prevent the boy from making his presence known.

One of the Cybermen must have noticed the movement, as he moves toward and through the door opening.

Lt Scott is waiting there with Brooks. They ambush the Cyberman, shooting it in the back. It groans robotically.

The two men move onto the bridge, and Scott shoots the other Cyberman.

Scott approaches the Captain.

LT SCOTT

I wish Tuppence was with me.

I can totally feel her fear.

Cooo-ee!

Lieutenant Scott, Captain.

Back in the hold, the TARDIS wheezes and groans and vanishes.

For no reason we are shown a static shot of Cyber control.

Then, Cybermen begin breaking out of silos.

Lights on the control console blink.

Cybermen wake up and begin marching.

Back in the TARDIS, the freighter is on the scanner screen.

CYBERLEADER

Have you locked on to the freighter's coordinates?

DOCTOR

Yes.

CYBERLEADER

You will follow the freighter to Earth. I wish to witness the planet's final destruction.

TEGAN

You'll ruin your own plan doing that. The radar on Earth will pick up the TARDIS.

CYBERLEADER

It is too small. Its image will be swamped by that of the freighter.

CYBERMAN

Everything's been considered.

CYBERLEADER

Search this ship.

The Cyberman heads for the inner door.

Back on the bridge.

BERGER

The override on the navigational control. My instructions are

Of the Yard?

No, of the Antarctic.

Oh here we go again.

Again with the marching!

instantly countermanded.

CAPT BRIGGS

It's this thing that's causing it.

LT SCOTT

Can't you disconnect it?

CAPT BRIGGS

It's probably booby-trapped.

ADRIC

Maybe so, but it can be disconnected.

CAPT BRIGGS

How?

ADRIC

Solve the three logic codes.

BERGER

That could take forever.

ADRIC

Well then I suggest we start at once.

Keeping watch on the stairs, Marshall sees Cybermen approaching from all sides, and retreats.

Adric fiddles with the Cyberboxes.

Gunfire can be heard, and the Captain runs off to investigate.

The Cybermen are climbing the stairs. (I think that's Marshall, dead, there.)

Lt Scott is setting up a flimsy barricade.

LT SCOTT

It seems we have very little time, Captain.

He and Brooks continue working.

On the TARDIS, the Cyberleader watches tv.

CYBERLEADER

The time draws near.

More empty boxes and boots on stairs.
Those boots were made for walking.

And clearly NOT for running.

DOCTOR

It isn't necessary to taunt her.

CYBERLEADER

It is simply a fact, Doctor.

TEGAN

Can't you do something?

DOCTOR

Not at the moment.

Maybe later, Tegan.

CYBERLEADER

Do not mislead the Earthling. This time, we will not fail.

On the bridge, Adric is confident.

BERGER

Is that right?

ADRIC

Has to be. It's the only logical answer.

He goes over to a keyboard and starts keying.

On the TARDIS.

TEGAN

I don't have to watch this.

NYSSA

She doesn't have to be here.

DOCTOR

Gently, Tegan.

TEGAN

Gently! This is my planet they're about to destroy!

She jumps at the console and hits some random controls. The room tilts wildly.

DOCTOR

No!

He makes corrections with great difficulty. When things are upright again, he grabs her elbows.

DOCTOR

You do things like that, we'll all finish up dead!

The Captain and Lt Scott are in position behind some boxes as the first Cyberman comes around. They shoot it.

The Captain comes back into the bridge as Adric shows off.

ADRIC

That's it! The first one's solved!

CAPT BRIGGS

We're running out of time! The troopers can't hold the Cybermen much longer!

BERGER

We're working as hard as we can. It's very complex.

ADRIC

It worked! See if it's released anything!

Berger works the keyboard.

Lt Scott fires at more Cybermen.

LT SCOTT

The power in these things is running out!

BERGER

Stand by!

She spins a control, then pushes a button.

The whole ship lurches sideways, throwing humans and Cybermen around.

On the scanner screen, the freighter seems to be fading away.

NYSSA

What's happening?

TEGAN

Mad haxx0r skillz.

Here's my Radio Shack Battery Club card, just get back here as fast as you can!

Where have they gone?

DOCTOR

The freighter's jumped time warps.

CYBERLEADER

You will follow.

DOCTOR

Where?

CYBERLEADER

Follow them!

(Shakes fist, or would if he was Homer Simpson)

Lt Scott takes advantage of the confusion to shoot a disoriented Cyberman.

BERGER

We're travelling backwards in time.

CAPT BRIGGS

That's not possible!

ADRIC

It is when you have an alien machine overriding your computer.

On the TARDIS.

CYBERLEADER

You will board the freighter.

DOCTOR

I can't.

The Cyberleader grabs Nyssa's upper arm. She is instantly helpless.

CYBERLEADER

You will do as I say!

DOCTOR

It's physically impossible. The freighter is no longer on a fixed course, the coordinates are constantly changing. That's why it

(Homer) Follow!

Back BACK in time!

That's impossible!

Ohhhh. Huh?

That line MIGHT work if delivered by an actor.

keeps fading. I've got nothing to lock on to.

The Cyberleader releases Nyssa's upper arm.

On the bridge, the soldiers are back.

LT SCOTT

Rest there a minute.
(he walks over to them)
Some bump!

CAPT BRIGGS

It's bigger than you think!

ADRIC

Well if we can crack the remaining two logic circuits, we may be able to do something about it.

Back on the TARDIS.

TEGAN

At least the Earth is safe now.

He says nothing.

NYSSA

Doctor?

TEGAN

Don't tell me it isn't?

DOCTOR

Although the freighter is spiraling backwards in time, it's still locked on to the same spatial coordinates.

TEGAN

Earth?

CYBERLEADER

This is excellent news, Doctor!
Earth will be destroyed! It will never exist, as you have known it!

TEGAN

Is that true?

DOCTOR

Yes.

Waaugh!

Inside the freighter, an injured Cyberman crawls up the stairs. He's determined, this one is. He keeps going and going.

Adric fiddles some more with his equipment. Uhhuh.

Ping!

ADRIC

That's it! The second logic code!

CAPT BRIGGS

We've come out of warp drive!

On the scanner, the freighter is seen approaching Earth.

DOCTOR

Earth.

CYBERLEADER

Excellent. Hold this position. We shall observe from here.

TEGAN

No!

The Doctor shushes her.

The wounded Cyberman continues crawling up the stairs, bit by bit, inch by inch.

On the bridge, Berger has opened the door to the escape pod while Adric continues working.

CAPT BRIGGS

Come on, we've done all we can do!

ADRIC

This is your planet!

CAPT BRIGGS

I know! And I realize the consequences of this freighter crashing into it!

ADRIC

There is still time to crack this last logic code!

Oh man, that was an awesome party but I think I threw up in my helmet.

There will be an earth-shattering kaboom!

CAPT BRIGGS

No, there isn't! Come on! It's only a few minutes before we enter Earth's gravitational pull!

LT SCOTT

You've done all you can, Adric.

ADRIC

I can crack this code!

CAPT BRIGGS

Come on, Lieutenant, and you, Berger.

BERGER

Adric!

ADRIC

You board!

CAPT BRIGGS

Come on, lad!

Scott grabs his upper arm, that most vulnerable spot on females. Explains a lot.

LT SCOTT

And that is an order, Adric.

He drags him to the escape pod hatch.

ADRIC

Of course, that's it!

As the door slides shut, he jumps out. Nobody has time (or inclination) to stop him.

He returns to the keyboard. The Earth looms large on the monitor.

The TARDIS scanner shows the escape pod launching from the side of the freighter.

NYSSA

An escape pod!

CYBERLEADER

My guards evacuating the ship.

Yes, we're ALL bored.

Your Gods?

DOCTOR

It may be of some small consequence to know we've travelled backwards in time some 65 million years.

TEGAN

Big deal.

DOCTOR

Think about it.

NYSSA

Do you recall the fossil dinosaur bones in the cave on Earth?

TEGAN

What?

NYSSA

And why it's believed they died out so quickly?

TEGAN

Earth collided with a meteorite.

NYSSA

Or something.

Oh. Right.

TEGAN

The freighter?

DOCTOR

The antimatter vessel will split open on impact. There will be a tremendous explosion!

TEGAN

The freighter was the meteorite?

DOCTOR

Seems inevitable. As is your history as we know it.

CYBERLEADER

You lie, Doctor!

DOCTOR

Not at all. You've lost! The Earth

You're a lying liar who lies!

is safe.

Adric keeps trying. I guess that thing he thought of as the escape pod door closed wasn't right after all.

ADRIC

I can do it.

He looks up at the big Earth.

ADRIC

I must do it.

The wounded Cyberman is now limping toward his fate as Adric's destiny.

The communicator on the TARDIS console squawks.

LT SCOTT (o.s.)

Scott to TARDIS! Scott to TARDIS! Come in please!

NYSSA

This is the TARDIS! We have Cybermen on board!

The leader takes the radio from her.

LT SCOTT (o.s.)

We've managed to escape from the freighter. But Adric's still on board!

The Doctor fingers Adric's gold star.

Adric's Destiny Cyberman approaches.

Adric doesn't look so confident now.

LT SCOTT (o.s.)

Scott to TARDIS. Scott to TARDIS.

The Cyberleader squishes the radio.

DOCTOR

You've failed, leader.

CYBERLEADER

You will not enjoy the victory. I shall now kill you, Doctor.

I will do it.

I have to have done it.

I am doing it.

Good work, Nyssa.

While the Doctor fingers the gold star, Tegan gives the Cyberleader a bear hug from behind.

The leader throws her off to the floor, but the Doctor grabs him from behind and begins to scrape the gold into the leader's chest unit.

I didn't know gold crumbled.

Leader gasps and groans. The subtitles say that.

DOCTOR

Get down!

The leader goes a little mad. He begins whirling around, firing his gun randomly. Sparks fly.

The Doctor jumps up and grabs the gun and turns it on the leader, firing.

And firing again.

The leader collapses to the floor with a scream.

The Doctor fires yet again. Point blank.

The Cyberleader's chest unit explodes.

Meanwhile, Adric is stalling.

ADRIC

There's something missing.
There's something I've forgotten.

NYSSA

Please hurry, Doctor, we must get Adric off the freighter!

DOCTOR

The console's damaged!

NYSSA

We must save Adric, there's so little time!

Earth fills the monitor on the bridge.

Adric's Destiny Cyberman gets nearer.

It staggers around the corner and into the bridge, very

I didn't know gold was so brittle.
Well, it hasn't been washed in a long time.

I can't stand all this gratuitous violence.

slowly.

ADRIC

Of course! That's it!

Adric's Destiny Cyberman raises its gun, while Adric prepares to protect himself from the small explosion he knows is about to happen.

The Cyberman shoots. The console explodes. Adric jumps back.

The Cyberman, his destiny fulfilled, begins to laugh uproariously.

It's so funny that he dies.

The keyboard is destroyed.

ADRIC

Now I'll never know if I was right.

Back on the TARDIS, the scout returns to the console room from the inner rooms.

TEGAN

Look out!

DOCTOR

I must save Adric!

Nyssa grabs the Cyber gun and unenthusiastically fires it at the looming Cyberman.

It groans and collapses.

Tegan runs over, then is distracted by the scanner.

TEGAN

Look!

The freighter looks normal.

NYSSA

Adric!

He can't hear.

Adric holds his belt.

The freighter hits the Earth.

1- 2- 3- 4!

Damn! I thought I'd get it that time.

It is our moral duty to distract the Doctor from saving Adric. Now!

(all wave and make noise to distract him)

A little louder, he might hear you.

(SPECIAL EDITION ADDITION)

Adric and a Cyber head are thrown from the explosion in the atmosphere.

Adric cries out as he flies and lands face down in the dirt.

He pushes himself up.

ADRIC

Blimey. That was lucky.

A noise is heard, a gurgling, hungry noise.

Adric's eyes go wide and bug out.

The giant eye of a reptile is seen.

Adric begins to panic, waving his arms wildly, and whining.

The dinosaur bends down and crunches Adric in its mouth.

As the dinosaur leaves with its puny meal, the Cyber head rolls upright.

CYBERHEAD

Excellent.

Back in the TARDIS, Nyssa looks away and clings to Tegan.

Tegan squeezes Nyssa's shoulder, then moves over to the Doctor.

TEGAN

Adric?

The Doctor is dumbstruck.

TEGAN

Doctor!

He says nothing.

Tegan begins to cry.

Nyssa hugs her.

(Mr Bill scream)

(quietly, as Tegan) I get his room.

The Doctor looks sort of sad, but more surprised than anything.

Then the dance music kicks in and everyone parties!

The Doctor
PETER DAVISON

Briggs
BERYL REID

Adric
MATTHEW WATERHOUSE

Scott
JAMES WARWICK

Kyle
CLARE CLIFFORD

Tegan
JANET FIELDING

Nyssa
SARAH SUTTON

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