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Episode 491 – Screw Harry and the Turtles, this is all about Stephen  
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It was a nice apartment, well-lit, spacious and well furnished. A pair of nice, plush leather couches set the scene, arranged in a neat L-shape, with a small coffee table between them. What dominated the room, however, was the massive flat-screen against one wall, so big as to loom over all else around it. By comparison, the broad windows with views out over a strangely futuristic metropolis and the other doorways leading away to gods alone knew where seemed like afterthoughts.

"Well teal and gold spacemen now exist," Tsuneo sighed as he and Rebecca entered the apartment. "So it's going to be nothing but tears and bloodshed from here on out."

"Adult Fans of Lego sound exhausting," She replied. "So, like many other fandoms, really."

"It's a lot like that," he nodded.

"I fought a gold spaceman once," Dan added as he and Rick followed them in. "Guy skipped bail and tried to make it to an extrajudicial asteroid."

"You lead a very interesting life," Rick nodded.

"The best," he grinned. "Though that guy was tough. He was a real fast draw on his anachronistic space blaster."

"Looping back a moment, and inspired by both this fanfic and sort of related to Lego fandom," Tsuneo admitted, "I had a thought about this fic in terms of the other Harry Potter fics we've done so far."

"Do tell," Rebecca nodded.

"We previously established that we haven't actually had Harry Potter in a Harry Potter fanfic," Tsuneo began. "Instead, we've had a string of odious characters that are called Harry Potter while bearing only superficial resemblance to the actual character."

"Right," Dan nodded. "It seems like they're all batcrap insane Libertarians who act like the rules don't apply to them and use their massive wealth to simply buy their way out of all their problems. True, that's the Libertarian ideal..."

"Yeah, what's up with that?" Rick asked. "Like once sure, I can get that. Twice is odd but not too unusual, but every single time?" He shrugged. "That's a bit crazy."

"And even though there are variations, they all come back to these same points," Tsuneo noted. "Like even though G.I. Joe Harry Potter doesn't do the whole obvious wealth thing, he instead basically gets to be an extra-legal child soldier killing machine and the fic decides that this is amazing."

"Or even in Death's Fixer, where Harry is the closest to being, well, Harry, he still goes around doing magic in front of Muggles and all but shouting about how he's a wizard to total strangers," Rick added. "All while claiming that he doesn't care about the laws of magical society."

"True, If I met a guy in the street shouting about how he's a wizard I'd just assume he was on something," Dan admitted. "But Rick has a point."

"It is an odd pattern to have," Rebecca agreed. "Although I think I can see some of where it's coming from."

"You can?" Dan asked. "Now i'm interested."

"Are you really?" Rick added.

"Well no," Dan admitted, "But it's gotta be better than actually reading the fic."

"Okay, fair," Rick nodded. "Go on."

"So at the heart of the character, Harry Potter is in many ways an audience substitute figure," Rebecca explained. "As originally written, the novels were designed to age with the readers, becoming progressively more mature as their protagonist and their audience grew. Many aspects of the books were there to create that ideal that Harry Potter was just like the reader and thus was somebody they could project themselves into."

"That makes a lot of sense," Tsuneo nodded. "Despite being in a magical world of wizards and dragons, Harry still goes through a lot of mundane things that a growing child would also go through. Homework, classes, mean teachers, bullies, awkward teen romances and so on. All very real stuff."

"But not, say, ninjas, being stupid wealthy and acting like the laws don't apply to him," Rick noted.

"Well no," Rebecca agreed. "And that's where we get to a fanfic trope that, while universal, is particularly strong in Harry Potter fic; the Possession Sue."

"Okay, I can immediately see how this would happen," Tsuneo nodded. "Harry is a reader proxy character, so fanfic authors project their own fantasies onto him. That's how you get these characters who are basically above the law, can do whatever they want and never face any sort of consequences."

"I'd say it's a childish power fantasy, but then, libertarians, so that's basically a given" Dan added.

"Right," Rick nodded. "So we end up with these characters who are basically author pet godmode OCs wearing a Harry Potter skin suit."

"Because when you think about it, what we've had is basically pretty typical OC behaviour," Tsuneo noted. "Being able to walk all over the canon cast, doing whatever they want, being the best at everything and so on. It's just that rather than these being done by a god-awful original character, it becomes more telling because it's supposedly an established character who's gone wildly off-base."

"Which kind of makes you wonder why not just use an original character and be done with it," Dan asked.

"There's two main reasons for that," Rebecca answered. "The first is the obvious one; the author is emotionally invested in Harry Potter – or whatever other canon character is being possessed – and thus wants to write the 'better' version of them. This can be driven by any number of factors beyond the author proxy element, such as wanting to 'improve' on canon."

"Like this fic making Harry a Ravenclaw and pairing him up with Hermione," Dan offered. "Both driven by that clear 'this is what the author thinks should have happened' mindset."

"Or if we want to take an extreme case, look at Neon Lily," Tsuneo noted. "The fic is entirely about supporting the author's pet pairing, and does so by basically throwing away every single thing about the characters that makes them who they are. But because they are still called Harry Potter and Fleur Delacour, the author can argue that they're the same character."

"Exactly," Rebecca nodded. "Which brings me to the second reason why you'd do such. Using an author proxy possession character is very common in Harry Potter fanfic for another reason, and that is that it avoids a lot of the negative connotations that come with a fanfic featuring an original character," she nodded. "An element that is actually quite divisive within Harry Potter fandom specifically."

"I get it," Dan agreed. "People don't want to read about your god-awful OC. But if you disguise your god-awful OC as Harry Potter or whoever else, then that makes it socially acceptable."

"Just look at the phenomenon of Draco in leather pants," Tsuneo added.

"The very fact that Ebony Darkness Dementia Raven Way exists is all you need to know why OCs are unpopular in Harry Potter fic," Rick noted. "So yeah, I see why."

"Hence why we get these author inserts by proxy," Rebecca finished. "You not only avoid the stain of having an OC, but you also have a built-in audience from fans of that character. And because fanfic authors are who they are, we just happen to keep getting the same puerile power fantasy."

"Now that you put it that way, I see what you mean," Tsuneo nodded. "Honestly, these 'possessed' Harrys act a lot like many of the OCs we deal with anyway, only with that thin veneer of being allegedly a canon character laid on top of it."

"Exactly," Rebecca agreed. "It's a socially acceptable way of getting the author's pet OC out there. It happens a lot in Harry Potter fic through all levels of the cast, and not just the core characters. It's basically a cliché of Potterfic that a minor character will be elevated to possession sue. Just ask Blaize Zabani."

"Or Stephen Corn... guy," Dan added.

"Just like that," she finished.

"Good morning everyone," The Voice crashed into the conversation.

"And good morning to you too, Lord Matrix," Rick replied.

"Not even going to ask," Dan sighed.

"All you need to know is that it's not too far removed from Genesis Climber MOSPEADA," Rick nodded.

"That's actively unhelpful."

"So while those two are digging their own graves," Tsuneo addressed the ceiling, "What do we have on the books for today?"

"For today we have the next three chapters of Harry Potter and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," the Voice explained.

"Thrilling," Rebecca sighed. "Can you at least tell us what happens in this chunk so I can lower my expectations?"

"Well, Harry Potter goes to Hogwarts," the Voice offered.

"You know what?" Tsuneo considered. "That's actually a novelty in these fics. I'm not sure how I feel about that."

"Yes, but remember that led to the class timetable," Rebecca countered. "Which somehow managed to be the most Dire Straights thing possible without actually being in Dire Straights."

"This is also true," Tsuneo admitted.

"Just think of the opportunities it presents," Dan offered. "Instead of us having Ninja Turtles filler episodes with Harry Potter characters awkwardly thrown in, we could have Harry Potter filler chapters with Ninja Turtles characters awkwardly thrown in."

"I mean, it's a novelty," Rick shrugged. "I'm not sure it's an improvement, but I'll take it."

"I'm just worried that the cast heard is going to get even bigger," Tsuneo considered as he and the others took their places on the couches. "It's already incredibly unwieldy."

"At least they're not playing Jenga," Dan offered.

"Thanks, I hate it," Tsuneo finished as the big screen turned on, converting the world over to script format.

> Chapter 12: Darkness of the Edge of Town

> Padma's point of view:

> My name is Padma Patil.

Rebecca [Padma]: And you're probably wondering how I got here

> Right now, my friend Donatello

Dan: How long have they been friends?

Rick: Long enough for this recap

> is leaning how long a turtle can hold his breath underwater.

Rick: 2d6 plus six minutes

Tsuneo: I will assume that this is another Palladium TMNT reference that nobody will ever get and move on

Rick: That's for the best

> A strange cannon is messing up the east river in New York.

Dan: So one of them will have to swim through it and defuse the bombs again

> Don says if it keeps

> up, the whole port will crumble into the water. I'd be fascinated by the muggle technology.

Tsuneo: It'll kill thousands and do untold damage in a fascinating way

> If I wasn't in the middle of a ninja battle.

Rick: She can go to the TED talk after she's done fighting ninjas

Rebecca: Wouldn't even be the strangest TED talk either

> It was only a week after Harry had returned to New York with his friends and brothers.

Dan: A Girl on Fire level cast heard

> But now was their second week returning to the lair.

Tsuneo: The thrill was quickly wearing off

> It was night time at the moment.

Rebecca: It was night time at night.

> All 10 of them were seen

> skating across the sewers. Such as Mike and Stephen on skateboards.

Rick: They were on skateboards and some of them were on skateboards

> "We are the Alpha Dogs. The master and gods of the hath-pipes." Mike and Stephen said together.

Rebecca: Having characters just parrot dialogue does not make for a compelling narration, fic

Tsuneo: And yet I feel we'll be seeing a lot more of it to come

> "Who needs hath-pipe?" Raph asked as he and Neville were seen on roller-skates.

Rick: I wonder how many shattered bones it took for Neville to use those.

> "We've got a full-pipe." Neville said as he and Raph made a loopdy loop across the pipe.

Dan: Yeah, well, I have a pipe and a half. So there.

> "Well we don't need pipes." Padma said as she and Luna showed up on unicycles.

Tsuneo: We're reading a Ninja Turtles/Harry Potter crossover fic where Hogwarts students are learning to be ninjas for no reason at all. I only bring this up to say that this is in fact the stupidest thing we've seen so far, and I am strangely impressed by that.

> Not too far away from them, Don, Hermione, Leo, and Harry were showing up. Don and Hermione  
> were on bikes as Leo and Harry were on scooters.

Dan: Along with Venus and Adrian Pucey who were on velocipedes.

> Just as they got to the lair.

Rick: New York sewers are so spacious that they lost a whole skate park down there.

> "Going for airtood." Don and Hermione said

Tsuneo: Is that the new Lebanese fusion place that opened up?

> as they went up a ramp and pilled off a kicking heel before landing with bunny hops.

Rick: Let's walk this sucker!

> By then, Leo and Harry also went up the ramp and then grinded on Don's lab table.

Tsuneo: This is a workplace incident waiting to happen.

> "Going for grindetood. Woohoo!" They shouted.

Dan: I don't even know what that was meant to be, and I'm not sure I want to.

> As the ten of them were enjoying their skating,

Tsuneo: I want you to read that out loud then justify your casting.

> Master Splinter was seen walking out of the kitchen with tea and muffins.

> "Excuse us Sensie." Harry and Leo said as they passed him.

> "Watch your tail Sensie!" Padma and Luna shouted.

> Knowing their warning, Splinter quickly lifted up his tail before Padma and Luna ended up running it  
> over.

Dan: You get the feeling this happens a lot.

> "Heads up Sensie!" Don and Hermione shouted. "No! Down!"

> Splinter then ducked his head as the two passed over him. After he placed his tray on the coffee  
> table and poored his tea into his cup,

Rick: Quietly regretting every one of his life decisions up until this point

Rebecca: And when you consider that he's a rat who lives in a sewer, that's pretty dire.

> he spotted Raph and Neville showing up and quickly jumped out of the way.

Tsuneo: Let's run this bit right into the ground.

> "Nice recovery Sensie." They said to him.

> "Kids." Splinter sighed as he was about to grab one of his muffins. Only for Mike and Stephen to  
> snatch both of them.

Dan: Some ninja master you turned out to be. Can't even hold your own muffin

> "Hey. Thanks Sensie." They said to him.

> "Extream geaze!"

Dan: Nnnope, I got nothing.

> Splinter sat down on the arm sofa and and switched on the TV.

Tsuneo: Time for his favourite bizarre Japanese game show

> Only for the whole lairs power to go out.

> CRASH!

> All of them, Harry and his friends and the turtles, had bumped into each other.

Dan: Given that there's about six dozen people down here, I'm not sure I can blame them

> "Nice wiring job Don!" Raph shouted at him.

Rick: To be fair, they are living in a sewer. The place is one gigantic electrical fire hazard.

> "I ganitean it's not my wiring." Don replied. "It's a black out."

> "Maybe." Said Stephen. "Can you get your foot off of me?"

> By then, Splinter lit up a candle.

Rebecca: Splinter is highly resistant to hijinks.

> "Whoa!" Leo shouted. "Keep that flame away from Mike. He just scarfed down a whole Chilly Pizza  
> for dinner."

Tsuneo: And... is now explosive?

> "Clearly there is a power failier. I suggest you all investigate and see if it can be fixed."

Rick [Don]: But we don't need all of us to-

Tsuneo [Splinter]: All. Of. You. Now.

> "We're all over it." Stephen said as he and the others grabbed and set up their skating gear and  
> made their way.

Rebecca: Good thing each and every one of them is an expert skater.

> "And hurry up." Splinter said as they got to the door. "I do not wish to miss my favorite program."

Rick: [Splinter] Sabotaging the substation was worth it for five seconds of me time.

> On the suffes, the team was exploring the side of the city they were in from the top of a water tower.

Dan: Did they skate up there?

Rick: I can only assume so.

> "You know, I don't think Splinter meant we should investigate this far." Said Leo.

Tsuneo: I'm not sure how climbing to the top of a water tower would help you find the source of a blackout, but there you go.

> "You can never be to thero. Especially when it come to top side time." Said Raph.

Rebecca: Coming from a muggle family, I suppose Hermione is the default expert on city life.

> "Wow. This whole side of the city is dark." Said Luna. "The Quibbler lists many creatures that like to  
> rome around in the dark."

Rick: Including packs of 2d4 Orcs. They get penalties in daylight, you know.

> "I think a substation went out." Said Hermione.

> "This isn't right." Said Harry. "Shouldn't there be an emergency back up generator or something?"

Tsuneo: Spoken like somebody who's never been to Texas

> "Yeah. It's completely dark down there." Said Neville.

> "Then I know what we should do next." Said Stephen.

Rebecca: Go on a looting spree?

> All of them pulled out their skating gear and began to grind down a stairway rail

Tsuneo: Remember, two of them are grinding on unicycles.

> from an office building.

Dan: Well half the city is blacked out. Time for some skateboarding

> "This is fun and all. But do you think it's safe?" Harry asked. "Someone could see us."

> "That's the fun about it Harry." Said Padma.

Tsuneo: Padma Patil, the well-known daredevil unicycle ninja.

> "Nobody can see us. It's too dark out here."

Rebecca: Because nobody ever goes outside in New York after dark.

> "Get with the programe bro." Said Mike. "This is a once in a life time obritunety to get some serfis to  
> rain."

Dan: The surface will never, ever be accessible again

> Just then, Don and Hermione showed up with seairous looks on their faces.

Rick: [Leo] Where have you two been?

Tsuneo: [Don] Beats me. [Shrugs]

> "Look at this." Said Hermione.

Rick: A mint in box giant Vamp. [Ding!]

> A team of ninjas were seen climbing a rope up to an open window at the museum of national history.

Rebecca: They're going to steal the taxidermied penguins

Rick: The fiends

> The team quickly ran over and hid themselves behind a bush as they watched them make their way.

Dan: Oh, so we're automatically assuming they have nefarious aims. Can't ninjas just be history buffs?

> "We fought those guys two days before I knew I was a wizard." Said Harry.

Tsuneo: Harry measures all history relative to his first day at Hogwarts

Dan: You know what, that actually makes sense for him

Tsuneo: It does now that you mention it

> "Yeah. And we nearly got waxed." Said Don.

Rick: As well as manicures and facials.

> "Who's up for some pay back?" Raph asked.

> "Then this might be a good chance for Neville and Luna and Stephen and Padma to try out their weapons." Said Leo.

Dan: I guess this the ninja equivalent of a field trip.

> Inside the museum in the ancient Japanese exhibit,

Rebecca: You know that would be something you'd more likely find in the Met

Rick: You just like the Met, don't you?

Rebecca: Can you blame me?

> the ninjas walked over to display case with a sword inside.

Tsuneo: The rare Japanese sword that doesn't come from a mail-order catalogue

> One of the ninjas used a glass cutter to open it up as another put on a metal glove  
> and was about to grab it.

Rick: Only to have Jinx and Scarlett ambush him and take it.

> But before he could, the team had arrived and Leo tossed a throwing star at the side of the case.  
> Making the ninja enemy stop and turn to them.

Rebecca: And damaging valuable museum property while he's at it.

> "Gift shop's on the third floor boys." He said to them. "But they don't play kindly to shop lifters.

Dan: Try lifting a plastic dinosaur and they will kill you

> And neither do we."



Rick: They have part-time jobs as museum security.

> The enemy ninjas pulled out their weapons the one with the metal glove tried to get the sword  
> again. Only for Raph

Dan: And uh... Neville is it, that's copying him?

Rebecca: Sure. Neville. That tracks.

> to stop him with another throwing star.

Tsuneo: Throwing stars are their solution to everything

Rebecca: It makes doing their tax return difficult

> "Now before you make off with the goods, you might wanna consider a few things."

Rick: For example, the orbit of Mercury around the sun

> He said. "1,

> you're out numbered. 2, don't let the pretty faces and children fool you. We're tougher than we look."

Dan: Tougher than they look is a very low bar to clear

> Unfortently, more enemy ninjas showed up from the skylight.

Rick: When in doubt, Ninjas.

Tsuneo: They already had Ninjas.

Rick: More ninjas.

> "And 3, we're about to get ourselves seariously hammered." Said Stephen.

Rebecca: Just to remind you that Stephen is a being that exists somewhere in time and space.

> By then, the team found themselves surrounded as the enemy ninjas pulled out their weapons.

Rebecca: Just a reminder that the Hogwarts students have been learning Ninjitsu from an 11 year-old for about a week. Thank you and goodnight.

> Until

> the team got out their own weapons. Neville had Num-chucks like Mike. Stephen had Sies like

> Raph. Padma had a pare of hardwood Tonfas. And Luna had a pare of Kamas.

Tsuneo: In case you forgot the list of weapons from before, well, I don't blame you

Rick: I did long ago

> One of the enemy ninjas tried to hit Leo with a wooden pull. Only for him to dodge and slice it in

> hath. Only for the ninja to push buttons on both sides and reveal added knives.

Rebecca: The old spring-loaded knife-staff trick. I knew it.

Dan: Really?

Rebecca: Honestly I have no idea what's going on here

> Leo quickly took note

> and turned around to make the knives hit his shell and snap them apart before kicking the enemy

> ninja onto another one.

> "Saved by the shell." He said.

> "Check it out." Stephen said as he pulled out his skateboard and Raph got out his rollerskates.

Dan: Ninjas are weak against skateboards. Well known fact.

> "Blades and blades." Said Raph.

Rick: [Ninja] We're going to kill you just for that pun.

Tsuneo: [Stephen] No, that's fair.

> One of the ninjas tried to get them.

Rebecca: Just one. The others were admiring the displays.

> Only for them to jump over him and make his sword brake one of the glass pots.

> "You brake it, you buy it." Said Stephen.

Rebecca: It's funny because they're destroying priceless historical artefacts

> "And speaking of buying it." Neville said as he skated over and kicked another ninja onto a symble.

> BANG!

Tsuneo: Fortunately, they're in the pratfall section of the museum

> Another one was about to go for Don and Hermione.

Rebecca: Who share one brain.

> Only for them to pull out their bikes and charge onto him and knock him onto a ninja armer.

> "Charge!" Padma and Luna shouted as they knocked over some of the ninjas on their unicycles.

Rick: Wow! Turns out the unicycle riding scene earlier was a setup for the unicycle battle scene later!  
Who could have guessed?

Tsuneo: Nobody because it's incredibly stupid

Rick: This is also true

> "Charge!" Hermione also shouted as she went on her bike at full speed and used her staff to knock

> a ninja onto another pot.

Dan: I'm glad the Museum of Natural History has plenty of room for kids to ride bicycles in it.

Rebecca: Oh yes, very thoughtful design.

> "Woohoo! Bowling for ninjas." Mike said as he and Stephen used their skateboards to charge at the

> ninjas and knocked them onto each other.

Dan: Death by pratfall is a common occurrence for ninjas

> "Strike!" Stephen shouted.

Rick: Does that mean he gets a second throw?

> However, a ninja with a chained Kama had whapped the chain on his arm and pulled him over to  
> him.

> "Heads up!" He shouted as he jumped off of his skateboard and it hit the ninja on his belly and  
> knocked him out.

Dan: Pinkbellied to death

> "Way to pick up that spare Stephen."

Rick: One is the loneliest ninja

> Mike said as he ripped off the three toed dragon foot symbol  
> on the enemy ninjas uniform. "And a trophy to boot."

> "A little help here?" Leo and Harry asked

Rebecca: The thought of acting separately had never occurred to them.

> they were only using their Katanas against the ninjas and not their scooters.

Dan: Wait, the ninjas are on scooters?

Tsuneo: I'm not sure and, frankly, at this point I'm not sure I care either

> "We're on it!" The other shouted as they made their way over to Leo and Harry.

> However, as Harry and Leo kept on going,

Tsuneo: You know, if those two are going to do everything together, we might as well make them the same character.

Rick: You do realise the result will be a wizard turtle with glasses named Larry?

Tsuneo: I have no problem with that.

> the enemy ninjas saw the others coming and quickly moved away.

> "Look out!"

> But Harry and Leo were too late. All of them had bumped into each other as they fell to the floor.

Rebecca: Again, there are six dozen of them here, plus ninjas.

Dan: And there's probably another six dozen of those too. Ninjas travel in swarms.

> "I sense a teamwork training session in our future." Said Mike.

> "Double time. They're getting away." Harry said as the ninja began to escape through the skylight.

> However, the ninja with the metal glove returned and grabbed the sword in the display case. He

> tried to rejoin the others, only for the team to show up in front of him.

> "Just put the sword back and we'll call it a draw." Said Stephen.

> However, the enemy ninja got the sword to spark and light up for some reason.

Rick: He had a petrol-powered sword.

> Before the team

> knew it, a shockwave came out of it and sent all 10 of them onto their backs. Just before he made

> his escape.

> "How about 2 out of 3?" Mike asked.

> "What was that sword?" Hermione asked as well.

Dan: A sharp, pointy metal weapon used to cut and stab, but that's not important right now

> "Hold that thought." Said Harry. "The police are coming."

> "Next time, use your own magic." Said Leo.

Tsuneo: Oh yeah, half of the people here are wizards and have been inexplicably allowed to use their

magic off-campus despite all being first-year students.

Rebecca: It's almost like the author didn't think about it when awkwardly re-writing existing scenes

Tsuneo: Funny that

> Without another word, the team made their escape before the cops arrived.

> Back in the lair, the power was back on

Rick: Completely unrelated to the ninja fight. Splinter just reset the fusebox

> as the team showed the dragon foot to Master Splinter.

Tsuneo: Yes, it's very nice, but did you have to drag the dragon's whole leg in with it?

> "What does the symbol mean Master Splinter?" Leo asked.

> "Trouble."

Tsuneo: Literally. It's the symbol of the Trouble clan of ninjas.

> "You know something about those ninjas?" Stephen asked.

Dan: [Splinter] Oh wait, just because they're ninjas, I know them? You assume all ninjas know all other ninjas?

> "Where do they come from? Who do they work for? And what do they want with a magic sword."

Rick: Where did they get the twine? What was going through their minds? Or did it just seem like a good idea at the time?

> "Nope." Said Don. "Magic only exists in the wizarding world."

Rebecca: And there's no way that the two could crossover he said to the room full of student wizards turned ninja apprentices.

> That sword was more likely a self perpetuating oscillation frequency generator."

Tsuneo: Well obviously

> "In English please?" Mike asked.

> "It packs a shockwave that'll knock you flat on your shell."

Dan: With magic!

> "We gotta go after these creeps." Said Raph.

> "No." Said Splinter. "A wise ninja does not seek out an enemy he does not truly understand."

Rebecca: Until your paper on your enemy has been peer reviewed and approved for academic publication, you cannot fight them

> "But Sensei." Said Harry. "Bushido demands that we fight for honor and justice and,"

> "Bushido also demands that you honor your masters wishes."

Tsuneo: Also bushido is for Samurai. You're all ninjas.

Dan: This is also true.

> Splinter said as he went to his room. "I will meditate upon this matter farther. Good night."

> "Great. Undergrounded again." Said Mike.

Dan: [Raph] So, sneak out like we always do?

Rick: [Mike] You got it!

> "Hey." Don said as he went to his computer.

> "What are you doing Brainiac?" Raph asked.

> "There's more than one way to seek out your enemy." Don said as he got to work.

Dan: He posted an ad, claiming to be a sexy lady ninja looking for a ninja boyfriend

> In the Foot Ninja headquarters, the Shredder was just now entering his thrown room.

Rick: Like just, juuust – wait for it, wait for it – just now!

> Ready to

> begin the training section for his students as he removed the top layer of his robe.

Rebecca: It's a well-known fact that being shirtless improves your martial arts skill

[Dan nods sagely]

> One of the students pulled out his Katana and tried to attack him. Only for him to kick him away.

> Another tried to whap a chain around him. But he dodged that as he kicked away more students.

Rick: I wasn't even attacking!

> Just then, Hun entered with a whapped up sword.

Rick: Hun, the guaranteed most boring Ninja Turtles character

Dan: In a world full of mutants, aliens, robots, cyborgs and space wizards, 'gang leader' really doesn't make for much

> "Ah. Hun. One moment." Saki said to him.

> All the students then charged at him. But no matter what they did, Saki kept getting the better of

> them as he grabbed one of their swords and used it against the last standing student.

Rebecca: After a while they just gave up trying and let Shredder hit them

> Until he kicked him onto the floor. Ending the section.

Tsuneo: You're all terrible.

> After all that, the Shredder went and placed the top layer of his robe back on.

Rebecca: The fluffy pink one with the little bunny embroidered on the breast.

> "I trust you bring good news." He said to Hun.

> "Indeed I have." Hun said as he removed the sheat on top of the sword.

Dan: [Hun] We beat the Arshikage in the New York Ninja athletics meet.

Rick: [Shredder] Oh. Okay. I mean, I was expecting something to do with the sword, but that's good too.

> "The Sword of Tangu." He said as he grabbed it. "Still just as podent after all these years."

Dan: You need to remember to charge your sword every night or else it will run down.

> Then he moved it in front of a ninja armer and made the sword glow.

Tsuneo: Yeah, sorry to burst your bubble but the phosphorescent paints on that have been banned for ages.

> "And still able to locate other artifacts that shell it's unice origen.

Rick: It can cast Detect Magic.

> Yes. This sword will help me track down those I have been hunting for all these years.

Rebecca: Shredder's blood feud with Yogi Bear was a very strange yet intense one

> Hun. Bring in a tech division team. Tell them to prosead with Phase 2."

Tsuneo: That's where he diversifies the Foot Clan into self-driving cars.

> The next day, the team was still hanging out in the lair. Mike was on the couch eating some chips  
> while reading one of his Superman comics.

Rebecca: Mike and Harry are lost in an intense debate about the relationship between All Star Superman and DC One Million.

> "What's up with the big cheese?"

Rick: That's Captain Marvel, not Superman. You should know that by now.

> He asked as he looked at Splinter's room. "He's been zoning in there all day."

> "It's that ninja symbol." Said Harry. "It's got Sensei all weirded out."

Dan: He finds feet to be confusing

> "Enough waiting around!" Stephen shouted.

Rebecca: Yes, Stephen, the notorious hothead.

> "I say we hit top side, kick ninja butt, take ninja names, and found out the whole ninja story

Tsuneo: Which you can read in their ninja autobiography

> for ourselves!"

> Stephen then kicked off the head of Raph's training dummy and made it fly onto Mike's chips.

Rick: Chips in the English or American sense? It makes a big difference

> "Whoa! Remind me to never get on your bad side Stephen." He said. "You're just like Raph when  
> you're angry."

Rebecca: This has been a semblance of a character trait

> "Never mind Stephen." Said Leo. "Nobody's going anywhere."

> "Hey guys!" Hermione shouted.

> "Check this out!" Don also shouted.

Dan: Two dogs doing it.

> By then, everyone else ran to the lab to find out what Don and Hermione were saying.

Tsuneo: Padma and Luna had to stand outside the lab door and try to look over everyone's shoulders.

> "Don and I hacked into the power companies computer system." Said Hermione. "There's another  
> blackout over by the south stream seaport."

Tsuneo: And you couldn't just get that from a random news service?

Dan: Hermione wanted to feel important.

> "I smell a rat. And I don't mean Splinter." Said Raph.

Rick: Does Raph need to go to sensitivity training?

> The team was about to make their way to the seaport to investigate. But,

> "Hold on guys." Said Harry. "We stay put on Splinter's orders."

> "He said don't go after the ninjas." Said Raph. "He didn't say anything about not investigating power  
> failiers."

Dan: Yes, but what happens when you find ninjas are behind the power failures? Do you need to stop  
and apologise to them?

> "Great. I have a few new sevalince toys I wanna test." Don said

Rebecca: Don has been looking for a chance to spy on his neighbours and record their intimate  
conversations

> as he and the others made their way out.

> "Guys! Wait!" Harry shouted. "It's tough being leaders."

> "You said it." Said Leo.

Rick: You're 2002 Leo. You might as well give up trying now and save yourself the bother.

> Unknown to them, Splinter was watching them leave to investigate the power failier.

Tsuneo: Not going to do anything, mind you. Just watch them leave

> On a bridge that was near the south stream seaport,

Dan: A nonspecific New York Bridge

> the team was seen at the top as they looked at the city.

Rick: The entire team.

Tsuneo: They have to stop and make sure there's room for them all to perch on the same rooftop.

> "Total blackout. Just like last night." Said Raph.

> "But this time, I came prepared." Don said

Rick: He bought a tactical flashlight for his bo staff

> as he pulled out a set of goggles. Only for Mike to grab it and put it on.

> "Awesome. Total turtle vision." He said.

Rebecca: Monotone with limited depth perception and little forward vision. Total turtle vision.

> "Night vision actually." Don said as he took the goggles back and used them to look around.

Dan: [Mike] Whoah! Why isn't the world green?

> "How do we suvale such a large area?" Harry asked.

Rick: I mean, there are six dozen of you so it'd be pretty easy to spread out and cover the whole area.

> "I came prepared for that to." Don said as he pulled a lever on the back of his shell and revealed a  
> gladder. "I've been dying to test this puppy out."

Tsuneo: That's nice. Did you bring enough fro everyone?

> "You mean you haven't tested it yet?" Neville asked.

Rebecca: He was under pressure from corporate to have a minimum deliverable product.

> "Dude, how can he test a flying machine in the sewers?" Stephen asked as well.

Rick: Very slowly and carefully

> "We'll stay in touch via shell-cell.

Tsuneo: But who's their shell-service provider?

> I've worked out all the theoretical aerodynamics." Don said as he made a run for the the ledge.

Dan: Mike doesn't want to admit that he barfed on Don's notes.

> "It's actually full PROOF! WHOA-HO HO!"

> It was working. Don was flying.

Dan: Leena Frost-Wagner was able to verify this.

> "What is it? Don Proof?" Raph asked.

> "Don? Don?" Hermione kept on asking.

> "I'm okay Hermione. No problem." Don answered.

Tsuneo [Don]: Multiple compound fractures, that's all.

> Until he saw that he was about to hit a side of the bridge but quickly moved out of the way.

Rick: I'm sure he other nine of them really need to be here for this.

> "Just forgot to compenstate the wind drag on my bo staff."

Rebecca: As it was an engineering puzzle, he ignored air resistance.

> Don continued to make his way across the river. Until,

Rick: The paragraph suddenly ended.



> "Guys." He said as he saw some vibrations of a shockwave hitting the water.

Dan: Just some regular Wisconsin fishing.

> "I'm picking up something strange down by the river."

> "What is it?" Harry asked.

> "It looks like they're searching for something under the water."

Dan: In New York? All they'll turn up is empty bottles and dead mobsters

> "Who's searching?" Neville asked.

> Don zoomed his camera in closer and saw who it was. It was a pair of scientists with the dragon  
> foot on them.

Rick: Evil ninja clans are big on branding

> "It's our ninja buddies again.

Rebecca: Science ninjas!

Dan: The worst kind.

> And they have that sword they stole rigged up to some vibrational cannon.

Tsuneo: Well obviously

Rebecca: I mean, it's what you'd do.

> I'm over Pair 16."

> "We're on our way." Hermione said as she and the others ran to the docks.

Dan: Not skateboarding this time?

Rick: They felt silly doing it

> "I'm going in for a closer," Before Don could finish, he ended up flying into the shockwave and made  
> him fly out of control. "WAAAAAHHHHH!"

Dan: This is what happens when Wario is your copilot.

> "He's out of control." Said Luna.

Tsuneo: Thank you for that, Ms Obvious.

> "Mayday! Mayday! I'm going down!"

> And then, SPLASH! He fell into the water.

Dan [Little Jim]: He's fallen in the water.

> "Don! Can you hear me?!" Harry shouted on his shell-cell. "Say something bro!"

Rick: [Don] Something, bro.

Rebecca: [Harry] Let him drown.

> By then, Don emerged from the water spitting out what ended up in his mouth.

> "That water stinks. And this is coming from a turtle who lives in the sewers."

> "He made it!" Neville and Luna cheered.

Tsuneo: Yeah, you two are really contributing

> "Come on." Padma said as she and the others ran to Pair 16.

Rick: We should get a random roll table going to see who gets what line.

Tsuneo: It would be about the most authentic characterisation in this fic.

> "We have visual on the cannon." Said Harry. "I can see two guys for now. But that means the others  
> have to be hiding."

Dan: Just always assume there are ninjas lying in wait. Works for me.

> Just then, the ninja enemies showed up from the ship next to them.

Rick: Just then, a massive war broke out on the Vokk homeworld.

> "I hate it when you're right Harry." Said Mike.

Rebecca: It's a Harry Potter fic. You should be used to it by now.

> By then, they all pulled out their weapons and shouted,

> "It's ninja time!"

Dan: [Stephen] Can't it be wizard time?

Rebecca: [Raph] No, this is a filler TMNT episode. Wizarding is forbidden.

> All of them worked together to take out the enemy ninjas.

Rick: Ninjas, the lowest level of cannon fodder.

> By then, Neville pulled out his new wand

> he managed to get after the turtles and Harry told his gran that he needed a new one to make

> magic easy for him.

Tsuneo: It's a poor wizard who blames the wand.

> Cherry. Unicorn hair. 13 inches.

Rick: Only one owner, a little old lady who used it to apparate to church on Sundays

> "Flipendo!"

> The spell he casted was the knockback jinx which sent the ninja in front of him down on his back  
> and another into the river.

> "Man this is too easy with magic." He said.

Tsuneo: And the fic comes ever so close to self-awareness

> "Maybe for now I should stick to ninja basics."

Dan: Like 'Invisibility 101' and 'Wall Climbing for Dummies.'

> By then, they ended up bringing the battle onto the ship.

Tsuneo: There's a ship, by the way.

> Just as Don climbed out of the water. Two of the enemy ninjas went in to attack him.

Rick: But they're ninjas! They should only attack him one at a time

> But using his staff, he knocked them both into the river.

Tsuneo: Ninjas are more of an annoyance than anything else

> Just before he went to join the others on the ship.

Rebecca: You have to be careful when saying the word 'ship' around Harry Potter fans.

> Stephen was climbing up a net to a platform on top. Until one of the ninjas showed up and used his  
> kama to cut the net and made him fall.

Rick: [Stephen] Whoah, no, hey, that was on me. Completely avoidable, my bad.

> Of course, he managed to use his sie to stop himself from hitting the bottom.

Dan: Of course.

> "I hate it when that happens." He said to himself.

Tsuneo: We can only assume that this happens to him a lot

Rick: Oh yeah, all the time.

> Meanwhile, the tech divisions at the cannon

Rebecca: The cannon they had stuck a sword into.

Tsuneo: I'm pretty sure that's not how you're meant to use that.

> had found a metal body down at the bottom of the river.

> "We found what we're looking for." One said on a com radio. "Bring in aerial support."

Rebecca: Ninjas call in airstrikes when in trouble.

> "Avast you scurvy sea dogs!" Mike said as he acted like he was a pirate. "Shiver me timbers  
> and blow me down!"

Dan: You can't be a pirate and a ninja at the same time. Its against the rules.

> Until he ended up backing up to the wall.

> "Uh. About the whole blow me down thing."

Rick: Like, seriously, what does that even mean?

> Just when the ninjas were about to attack, asail fell on them. Making Mike look up to see Leo  
> and Harry.

Rebecca: Joined at the hip.

> "Thanks bros."

> By then, a helecoptor flew in and sent out a claw as it went and grabbed the metal body.

Rebecca: Of course, the ninjas have a helicopter. Why would they not?

> Raph and Stephen were seen next to the rather. As Raph managed to take down many of the

> ninjas,

Tsuneo: Raph has given up and is just mashing the attack button.

> One of them rapped a chain around Stephen's leg and sent him over the ledge. Just as  
> another jumped below him and was about to attack.

> "Who says I never cut you a brake?" Harry asked

Rebecca: Nobody. Ever. It's not like anyone has said it so far.

> as he swang on a rope and cut the chain. Making Stephen fell onto the ninja below him.

Dan: Death by pratfall. The worst.

> "Not the brightest joke but I'll take it." He said.

Dan: There was a joke there?

Tsuneo: God I hope not

> "Stupefy!" Hermione shouted as she cast the stunning jinx on many of the ninjas. Just before  
> taking out her staff and hitting the other ninjas.

Rebecca: The staff seems kind of redundant this point

Rick: Maybe Hermione wants to preserve her PPE

Rebecca: I will assume this yet is another Palladium joke and move on

> Using her staff, she knocked two of them into the life boat. Making it heavy enough for them  
> both to fall into the water.

Tsuneo: Your lifeboat has severe design flaws

> "Well done guys." Said Harry.

Tsuneo: [Harry] Great job sneaking out against my orders.

> "I think this team work effort gets a most improved."

Rebecca: They improved from nothing to... adequacy. So yay, I guess.

> "School's not out yet." Hermione said as she saw the chopper. "Look at that chopper over  
> there."

Dan: That's pretty much what they said on the set of Apocalypse Now too.

> "What's up with Barnacle Bill?" Stephen asked as the chopper had then got the metal body into  
> it.

Rick: Boogie boogie, boogie boogie

Dan: Deep cut

> "Whatever it is, It can't be good." Said Raph.

> With that said, the team ran as fast as they could to the cannon.

Tsuneo: And they immediately forgot about it.

> By then, the tech divisions turned off the cannon as the water splashed back into place. One of  
> them grabbed the metal glove

Tsuneo: By the way, there's a metal glove here

> as the other went and opened up the case. Until the team arrived.

> "Now boys." Harry said as he and Leo showed up in front of them. "There's a small matter of  
> stolen property we need to discuss."

Tsuneo: We're going to have to settle this in ninja petty claims court

> The tech divisions gasped as they tried to run away. Only for Hermione and Padma and Luna  
> and Don and Raph

Dan: And Brad and Janet

> to show up as well.

Rebecca: This is a pretty spacious boat.

Tsuneo: Being fair, it was never described beyond some random features. For all we know they could  
be fighting on the Queen Elizabeth II.

> "Dudes. You really shouldn't be playing with such dangerous toys." Said Padma.

Rebecca: You shouldn't be playing with dangerous toys said the twelve-year-old carrying a  
lethal weapon

> They ran again. Until Mike and Neville and Stephen showed up.

Dan: With Peter, Paul and Mary.

> "He's right you know." Said Neville.

Rick: [Neville] I'm helping!

> One of them pulled out a laser and fired it at Mike. But he dodged it in time. He was about to  
> fire again. But when he did, Hermione ran in and kicked him. Making the laser fire at the  
> cannons control panel. Making the Pair shake as the cannon went out of control.

Tsuneo: In short, everything they did was pointless and instead they could have just pratfalled  
their way to victory.

> "It's over loading. I can't control it." One of them said as he tried to stop it but failed.

Dan: Ironically, they broke the 'off' switch.

> "Who cares? We're leaving." The other said as the chopper flew by.

Rick: Make the out-of-control death ray somebody else's problem

> And then when it arrived, they both grabbed on and climbed in.

> "They're getting away!" Stephen shouted.

> "Let them go." Said Raph. We've got bigger problems with the cannon."

Rebecca: I mean, there's about six dozen of you. Surely you can divide your efforts a little.

> As the chopper flew away, the cannon moved and fired the shockwave onto the docks. Making  
> the ground crack.

Dan: And property values went up.

> "This is not good at all." Said Hermione.

Tsuneo: My review of the fic so far.

> "Don. Hermione. Can you shut it off?" Leo asked them.

Rick: [Leo] The rest of us will be fleeing for our lives.

Tsuneo: [Don] Gee, thanks.

> "Well we could disconnect the sword from the accelerator. But crossing the power terminator  
> could result in a feedback loop that might,"

> "Whatever Don." Said Harry. "Meantime let's try and point this thing away from civilization."

Dan: You're in New York. Everything is occupied land. Probably grossly overvalued too.

> The other went and pushed the cannon as hard as they can. But no matter how hard they  
> pushed, it won't move.

Tsuneo: Isn't there some random stupid spell they can use to move it?

Rebecca: Yes, but they can't use it for reasons

Tsuneo: Where those reasons are 'because it was like this in the original episode,' I suppose

Rebecca: Seems fair.

> Just then, a police chopper was seen heading their way.

> This is the police! You at the pier! Stay where you are!"

Dan: Police seem unfazed by the collection of humanoid turtles and children hanging out by a sword cannon at the docks.

Rick: Being fair, it is New York.

Dan: Yeah, fair.

> "Hurry guys!" Stephen shouted. "We're about to become America's most wanted wizards and  
> reptiles!"

Rick: But what if they were reptile wizards?

Dan: Hm, tricky

> "Almost there." Hermione said as she connected two wires together. "Uh oh!"

> And then, the cannon began to spin around.

Rebecca: Their death ray is an OHSA nightmare

Tsuneo: That and being a death ray

Rebecca: That too.

> "We gotta steady this thing." Said

[Rick rolls dice]

> Padma.

Dan: Maybe if you propped up one side of it with a wooden block or something

> Harry quickly grabbed a fallen pull next to him and walked to the cannon. And very carefully, he  
> aimed and then slammed it into the cannon and jammed it from moving. It was pointing away  
> from the ground. But it still had to be turned off.

> Hermione tried to grab it. But it choked her.

Rebecca: Somehow. Best not to ask.

> "Ouch!"

Rick: Ouch she said having been strangled by a laser

Dan: Obviously

> "Try this." Harry said as he gave her the metal glove.

Dan: Wasn't the scientist wearing that?

Rebecca: [Shrugs] Maybe?

> Without thinking, Hermione put the glove on

Tsuneo: She instinctively put on a metal glove

> and grabbed the sword and removed it from the

> cannon. But the moment she did, the cannon began to shake and overload.

Rick: Always properly earth your death ray

> "Let's get out of here!" She shouted.

> The team quickly ran off the pier as the cannon made it claps and fall into the water and then

> explode with a wave and light emerging from the water.

Tsuneo: [Leo] Um, hooray? We saved it?

> "What a very odd light show." Said Luna.

Rebecca [Luna]: Also I am here now

> "And here's another one we don't want to be part of." Neville said as the police chopper was getting

> closer.

Tsuneo: This fic isn't so much bad at quips as it's aggressively awful at them

> With that said, the team quickly ran away before the police spotted them.

Dan: [Cop] Did y'all see that buncha ninja kids by the sonic cannon?

Rick: [Cop] Nope.

Dan: [Cop] Me neither.

> Back in the lair, the team showed the sword to Splinter as he held it with the glove on.

Dan: Use proper protective wear when handling magic swords

> "The design is unmistakably 11th century Japanese. But the metal is unlike anything I have ever

> seen.

Rick: It's made entirely from refined questionite

Dan: Well they did beat up someone at the docks to get it...

> Clear there is more to this sword than meets the eye. Best it remains out of the wrong hands."

Rebecca: [Splinter] Also, I forbade you from going after them, but whatever.

> With that said, he put the sword next to Don's computer.

Dan: Leaving the ancient magic sword next to the nerd's computer sounds like a recipe for disaster  
Rick: When he uses it to win a pointless internet debate, its entirely Splinter's fault

> At Foot HQ, Shredder spoke to the Tech Divisions who had retrieved the body now in a display  
> case and lost the sword.

Rebecca: It's going to be a stark hole in his mancave collection

> "For a long time. Longer than you can possibly imagine.

Tsuneo: Like, say, how long it took to read Dire Straights?

> My enemies have managed to elude me. Here at last is proof of their presence in this city.

Dan: How it wound up in the Hudson River is anyone's guess.

> And all it cost me was The Sword of Tengu!"

Dan: Sounds like you got stiffed there.

> "Master. There were extenuating circumstances. These four strange creatures and these six  
> children.

Tsuneo: And a talking cat that sounded like R. Lee Emery

> They cam out of nowhere."

> "Were these the creatures and one of the children you saw?"

Rebecca: And would you go so far as to say that they are incredibly mixed-up creatures?

> Shredder asked as he showed them the picture of the turtles and boy.

Tsuneo: That he got from, um, somewhere I guess.

> "Oh yes."

> "That will be all."

> With that said, the Tech Divisions began to leave. Only for Hun to show up and grab them.

Rick: Hun is living the bad boss dream

> When they left, Shredder saw a small dot on the picture of the boy. He went and grabbed a  
> microscope to look at it. Once he put the picture down and looked through the microscope, the dot  
> became clear.

Dan: It was a sauce stain

> It was in the shape of a lightning bolt on the boys head.

> "I should have known!" He said in anger. "Harry Potter!"

Tsuneo: Of course!

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Rick: So despite the fact that Padma was narrating the opening she basically wasn't in this chapter  
Rebecca: It's almost like the author has no idea what to do with their massively overstuffed cast



Rick: Funny that

> Chapter 13: The Philosophers Stone

Rick: So what's worse? Awkwardly putting Ninja Turtles into Harry Potter stories, or awkwardly putting Harry Potter into Ninja Turtle ones?

Tsuneo: Yes

Rick: I thought so.

> All rights for Harry Potter goes to JK Rowling and Warner Bros. Pictures. And all rights for Teenage

> Mutant Ninja Turtles goes to Nickelodeon and IDW Comics.

Dan: Welcome to modern franchise hell

> Harry and the turtles and their friends

Tsuneo: And Boticelli, their second cousin they never talk about.

> were in the unused classroom practising their ninja skills.

Rebecca: This is a sentence written by a real human being, by the way

> The sword of Tengu had been kept safe in the lair after what happened last week.

Dan: Until Raph pawned it to buy beer

> Sense then, Neville and Luna and Stephen and Padma had really improved their skills.

Tsuneo: Given that they weren't ninjas up until a week ago, that's not much of an improvement

> Harry looked out the window as he thought about the sword.

Dan: Magic swords are Harry Potter's Roman Empire.

> He wondered where it came from.

Rick: Sooner or later this will end in him licking it. I can tell.

> "Wherever the sword came from, it's best we keep it safe." He said.

Dan: It took him a while to reach this conclusion

Tsuneo: He's a little slow on the uptake

> "You worry too much Harry." Said Leo. "You need to take it low for now."

> "Say Luna." Said Raph. "Where'd your shoes go?"

Rebecca: I can only assume that Joss Whedon is involved and that now you all need to wash

> He was right. She wasn't wearing any shoes.

> "It's the nargles. They like to hide things from me.

Dan: The Nargles look a lot like her dad when he's drunk and has to pawn stuff to cover his gambling debts

> But they come back once in awhile."

> "Uh. Okay." Said Don. "And I thought Mike was wired."

Tsuneo: So has Don never once spoken to her since they've known her?

> "Hey!" Mike shouted taking offence.

> "Alright. Let's call it a night." Harry said as he got ready to leave.

Dan: Harry's had enough of this nonsense already.

> It was almost past curfew. And they had relocated to the third floor after Malfoy had found them.

Rebecca: That sounds like a potentially interesting plot point of the sort that we should see on-screen rather than it being skipped over in a footnote

> Of course, Mike heard a growling from a door

Dan: Of course

> not too far away from them. What was it?

Rick: Buck the dog?

Rebecca: Another Palladium deep cut?

Rick: I mean, it's a Ninja Turtles fic. You know I'm going to be doing them non-stop

> "Whatever it is, I better go and see."

> Before he aproched it, Raph grabbed his sholder and pulled him back.

Dan: [Raph] Hey, if anyone's going to go charging off blindly into the unknown, it's going to be me.

> "Mike what are doing?! You know we can't go in there!"

Tsuneo: They have a keep out sign and everything

> "Don't you hear it Raph? Something is in there."

> "Which is what Professor Dumbledore is forbidding us from seeing. If you go in there, Harry could  
> get expelled."

Dan: [Raph] And there goes our meal ticket.

> "Well what ever is in there can't be worse than that."

Rebecca: As somebody who's worked in academia, he's entirely correct

> "What's going on here?" Leo asked as he and the others walked by.

Tsuneo: A really forced effort to make a crappy overstuffed crossover that's further derailed by the author's pet wonks, but that's not important right now

> "Leo. Tell Mike we're not aloud in that corridor." Raph said to him.

Dan: Because ninjas never ever go where they're not supposed to

> "Well I don't care! I'm seeing what's in there!"

Rebecca: This is the sort of mindset that leads to losing limbs

> Before anyone could stop him, Mike pushed Raph onto Leo and kicked down the door to the  
> forbidden corridor.

> "Mike! No!" Harry shouted.

> "Hold on." Said Hermione. "Listen."

> They can hear music. A flute. They walked inside to see what it was. Mike was seen playing a flute

Rebecca: As he is well known to do.

Rick: And where did he get the flute from anyway?

Rebecca: Sadly, that is the least of our problems.

> and in front of him was a giant dog with three head relaxing to the music before dropping to sleep.

Tsuneo: So we're just going to skip 80% of the book's plot and blunder right into the dungeon crawl.

Dan: Having removed all personal relevance by making Snape nice, of course.

Tsuneo: Oh, of course.

> "Uh, what the hell just happened?" Don asked.

Tsuneo: My review of the fic.

> "Haven't you seen any monster movies?" Mike asked. "Music is the one way to calm down a

> Cerberus."

Tsuneo: As everybody knows

Rebecca: Oh yeah. Common knowledge there

> "Are they crazy?" Stephen asked. "What in the world are they thinking keeping a thing like that in a  
> school?"

Rick: I mean, it's Hogwarts. The whole place is a giant deathtrap

> "Are you not using your eyes?" Hermione asked.

Rebecca: And would it matter? Nothing in this is adequately described, anyway.

> "It's standing on a trap door. Apparently it's guarding something."

> "Guarding something?" Mike asked. "Just like in those late night horror movies?"

Rebecca: Or the actual mythological Cerberus that was the basis for this fiction?

Rick: Late night horror movies contain all you need to know about Cerberus. It was just a few lines ago

Rebecca: Silly me

> "Uh. What?" Padma asked.

Tsuneo: Padma catches all the filler lines that nobody else wants.

> "Well, I'm gonna have a look." Stephen said as he walked to the trap door.

Rebecca: Since none of them have any investment in it.

> "Wait." Said Leo. "Don't open it.

Rick: Stay away from that trapdoor, because there's something down there

> It could be something dangerous."

> "Or something valuable."

Rick: Like Dumbledore's pog collection

> Said Mike. "Or both."

> "Well...alright. I'll look."

> "No!"

> Too late. He opened the door and then fell down a pit.

> "Stephen!"

Dan: Apparently you were here!

> Raph shouted as he jumped in after him.

> "Cowabunga!" Mike shouted as he jumped in next.

> "Guys wait!" Leo shouted just as the others followed down as well. "It's tough being a leader."

Rick: You're 2002 Leo. It's not like you actually have anything to do anyway

> With that said, Leo was the last one to jump down the trap door.

Tsuneo: We'll just assume that Don, Harry, Hermione, Luna, Neville –

Rick: Murphy McNully and Puggle.

Tsuneo: Dammit!

> They fell a long way down and then landed on some vines.

> "Everyone alright?" Raph asked.

> "I'm fine." Said Neville.

Dan: Nobody cares, Neville.

> "Lucky these plants things were here."

Tsuneo: Good thing these Triffids broke our fall

> "Don't move." Said Hermione. "This is Devil Snare. If we move it'll whap vines all over us and kill  
> us."

> "Oh great. Just what we need." Said Stephen.

Dan: Stephen, stop pretending that you're a character

> "Don't move."

Rebecca: [Hermione] Uh yeah, I said that!

> Mike wasn't paying attention to what Hermione was saying but kept still.

Rick: Purely by coincidence, I guess.

> By then, the vines moved and all of them slowly went down to solid ground below them.

Tsuneo: Nobody must ever be imperilled ever.

> "See? that was easy." Hermione said smiling.

> "Right." Said Raph. "Hey. Do any of you hear a flapping sound?"

Dan: Sounds like there might be a Birdemic lurking next door

> The team walked to the next room. Inside was floating keys with wings.

Rick: [Stephen] On any other day, that may seem funny.

> "Did I ever tell you that magic is both awesome and weird?" Don asked.

> "I bet one of those keys fits that door." Said Leo.

Rebecca: Pointedly ignoring the previous comment

> "Over there!" Mike shouted as he pointed to one of the keys. "That's it! The one with the broken  
> wing!"

> "I got it!" Padma shouted as she pulled out a grapple hook and tossed it to the key.

Rick: Remember, Ninjas always cheat.

> And then she pulled it down to her and walked over to the door and unlocked it.

Tsuneo: The author is really determined to suck every ounce of tension out of this, aren't they?

> By then, they walked into the next to try and find a way out.

> "Oh no. I hate graveyards." Said Mike.

> "You watch way too many monster movies." Said Leo.

> "Wait." Neville said as he looked at the tombstones. "This isn't a graveyard. It's a giant wizards  
> chess board."

Dan: Yes, I can see how you'd mistake the two.

> "Wizards chess?" Don asked.

Tsuneo: That thing we didn't bother to introduce earlier to set up this puzzle?

Rebecca: Like all the rest of these?

> "Unlike muggle chess, you have to tell the peaces where to go.

Rick: It honestly sounds like a lot more effort

> And they even attack each other to

> take anothers place. When the game is over, they'll rebuild themselves and return to their starting  
> points."

Dan: They kill each other for your entertainment

> "I've got their peaces right here!" Raph shouted as he pulled out his sies and charged at the white  
> peaces.

> "Raph wait!" Harry shouted.

> But Raph didn't listen

All: NO!

> as the white pomes tried to block his path with their swords. But of course, Raph leaped over them

Rick: But of course.

> and the other peaces tried to get him. Until Raph grabbed the white kings  
> sword and smashed him with it as the king fell down.

Rebecca: Raph once again proving that mindless violence solves everything

> By then, the other peaces retreated and let the others pass.

Dan: If Dumbledore was smart, he'd have built in a failsafe against someone doing just that

Tsuneo: If Dumbledore was smart then we wouldn't have this fanfic

Dan: This is also true

> "Raph. What the shell?!" Leo shouted.

> "Hey I got us past didn't I?"

Rick: And then he was killed by Castling Kingside

> By then, they walked down a staircase to a dead end. All they could find was a mirror.

Tsuneo: And a distinct lack of evil wizard.

> "That's it?" Stephen asked. "This is what we all came down here for? A mirror?"

> Harry walked closer to it. On top of it was text that said,

> Erised stra ehru oyt ube cafru oyt on wohsi.

Rebecca: Magic spell or just this fic's usual spelling? Who can tell?

> Harry looked at himself in the mirror. Beside him were not his friends or his brothers. But two other  
> people. Two he didn't even know. One of them was a lady with red hair

Rick: But did she have a heart-shaped face, high cheekbones, copper-coloured hair and emerald eyes?

> and the other looked like an older version of Harry.

Dan: So he was naked with a horse

> Until,

> "Mum? Dad?"

> "Harry?" Leo asked.

Rick: Chief?

Dan: McCloud!

> Could they be Harry's parents. No. It can't be true.

Tsuneo: It would have to be... [Gasps] Magic!

> By then, Harry saw his mother give his hand a red stone. And then the real Harry felt something on  
> his hand. It was the same stone.

> "Harry what is it?" Mike asked as he walked and Harry's parents vanished.

Dan: [Harry] I'm not sure. I think the event bugged out and skipped the boss fight.

> "Look in this properly." Harry said as he stepped aside.

> "Whoa." Said Mike.

Rick: [Mike] It's a mirror! Nice one, Harry!

> "I'm in a room full of pizza. Everything's made out of pizza. The walls. The floors.

Rebecca: If the fic's goal was to portray Mikey as the most odious stoner possible then it's doing a great job

> Everything. Cool. Does this mirror show the future?"

> "Mike that's impossible." Said Raph.

> "I know."

Tsuneo: But that didn't stop him from licking the walls regardless

Dan: I feel like he'd have done that anyway

Tsuneo: This is also true

> The team jumped. Dumbledore was there behind them.

Rick: He took the service entrance

> "Professor." Said Hermione. "It's not what you think. We were lost."

Rebecca: We accidentally wandered into your room of magical deathtraps

Tsuneo: To be fair, I imagine that happens to Hogwarts students a lot

> "And you were lost." Said another man who walked in. "Hello Harry Potter. I am Nicolas Flamel.

Tsuneo: [Flamel] I am definitely meant to be in this scene.

> I see you and your friends have discovered the delights of the Mirror of Erised."

> "Is that what it's called?" Harry asked.

> "Yes.

Rebecca: You'd know that if you hadn't skipped ahead.

> By now I trust you know what it does?"

> "It shows the future." Said Mike.

> "Ha ha. No my friend.

Tsuneo: Friend?

Dan: Oh yeah. Mike and Dumbledore go to the same weed dispensary.

Tsuneo: Yeah, checks out.

> This mirror was crafted in the late 19th century. It shows us nothing more

> than the deepest desires of our hearts.

Rick: So that's why Raph was seeing Ninjarra.

> Unfortintently, this mirror give neither truth or knowledge.

Dan: [Dumbledore] But it's a great way to blow off a Saturday night.

> Men have wasted away from this amazing mirror. Some were even driven mad."

Rebecca: Sounds like a perfectly safe thing to keep in a school full of teenage students

> "Ah man." Mike said dropping down.

Rick: [Mike] So, if it can give Harry a rock...

Dan: [Dumbledore] No.

> "Harry." Nicolas said to him. "On your hand. That's the Philosopher's Stone.

Tsuneo: [Harry] Is that what the chapter's named for? I did wonder.

> It'll turn any metal it

> touches into pure gold. And it produces the Elixir of Life. A powerful potion that makes you imortal.

> Meaning you can never die. I crafted this in the medieval."

> "So, you're alive forever?" Harry asked.

Dan: [Flamel] You call this living?

> "Right. I thought I could have Dumbledore hide it here in case some of the dark lords followers were  
> gonna steal it which I was right."

Rebecca: As is evidenced by the lack of evil wizards present.

> "But alas, I don't want to risk endangering the students with it here." Dumbledore explained.

Tsuneo: I think we're well past that point

> "Well...we could fins a new place to hide it." Said Mike. "Like the lair maybe?"

> "Mike. No way." Said Raph. "You really think hiding that thing in our place is a good idea. Any of  
> Voldemort's followers could find the lair as well."

Rick: Or Mike could just eat it as a midnight snack

> "Hold on. I think Mike has a good idea for once." Said Leo.

Dan: [Mike] Real supportive there, bro.

> "Remember? Dumbledore had placed wards around the lair to keep the death eaters from finding  
> us.

Tsuneo: Just assume this happened and move on.

> Could the ward hide the stone as well?"

Rebecca: And is there any reason why he can't just do that at Hogwarts?

> "Yes. The ward will be upgraded to keep the stone safe."

> "Well okay then." Said Raph. "Hopfully it'll work."

Tsuneo: I mean, why not? The fic's basically handed you everything on a silver platter so far



> "Quirrell you idiot!" Voldemort shouted at him.

Dan: By the way, we're here or something

> "You have waited for too long! Now Dumbledore is removing the stone from Hogwarts!"

Rick: Hogwarts had to drink a lot of water first.

> "Master I had no idea how to get past that beast of Hagrid's!" Quirrell shouted back.

Dan: Clearly he doesn't watch late night monster movies

Tsuneo: All you need to know about Cerberus, after all

> "Whatever! We must find the stone if I'm to get a body back!"

> "It could be anywhere."

> "Where?"

Rick: [Quirrell] Like San Theodoros or Genovia or the Duchy of Grand Fenwick.

> "Like New York City."

Rebecca: As a purely random hypothetical.

> "Of course. New York City.

Tsuneo: Well obviously

Rebecca: I mean, if the Philosopher's Stone was in the Met's collection I wouldn't bat an eyelid

> One of best alies is there.

Rick: Newman

Dan: No, actually that makes perfect sense

> Quirrell. Send word to him and we'll go to him this weekend."

Tsuneo: [Voldemort] We'll focus all our efforts on the first guess.

> "What is his name?"

> "He has power that matches mine.

Rebecca: Likewise, he also doesn't have a nose

> We are both the most powerful beings on this planet. His name...Oroku Soki."

Tsuneo: My, what a completely unsurprising twist

> Authors note:

> Yeah, I left out the troll and Snape's riddle because I couldn't think of how to have them included for  
> the turtles.

Rebecca: Creative effort is hard

> Besides, the movie didn't have them eather. This may not be the best but it's what I got  
> for the stone to be included. And yes the stone will be safe from the wards around the lair.

Dan: Because a random patch of sewer is obviously safer than a magical castle.

> The next chapter is up and you'll find out how Voldemort knows The Shredder.

Rick: They both went to the same community college

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> Chapter 14: The Way Of Invisibility

> Stephen's point of view:

Tsuneo: Stephen has none. Thank you.

> Ever see one of those old movies where the privet eye

Rick: A Privet Eye, a detective who investigates garden-related crimes

> wakes up in an unknown room after being knocked out cold? He always says the same thing.

> "Where am I?"

Dan: And where are my pants?

> Okay. It's not original.

Rick: So it fits this fic perfectly.

> But it's true I don't know where I am. Is this an operating room? Torcher

> chamber? Secret Laboratory? TV game show?

Tsuneo: It'd fit for a lot of Japanese game shows, actually

> Last thing I remember was that I was battling some Purple Dragons with Raph and Casey.

Rebecca: It's like a conjunction of the dumbest things in the Ninja Turtles world

> "Wait a second. Where is Raph and Casey?"

Rick: They went for a celebratory pub crawl after the fight and forgot about Stephen.

> But wait. Is that a buzz saw over me? Okay. Definitely not the game show.

Dan: Are you absolutely sure about that?

> But could be the laboratory.

Rick: It could be a lumber mill. Ever considered that?

> In the foot HQ, Hun and Baxter Stockman were seen in the Shredder's thrown room as Hun looked

> at the picture of the turtles and boy.

Rebecca: It was their overpriced souvenir photo they'd been guilt-tripped into buying

> "Geko worriers. Kung Fu frogs. Turtle costume freaks."

Rick: And all the other bootleg characters you find in Times Square

> "Are you not paying attention to the boy?" Shredder asked.

Dan: Neither is the fic. Wa-hey!

> "What about him?" Hun asked.

> "His name is Harry Potter. The Boy Who Lived."

> "The Boy Who Lived what?" Stockmen asked.

Rick: The Boy Who Lived please? Look, I have no idea where you're going with this

> "In this world exist a race of wizards in secret."

Dan: [Baxter] Oh, so they're the ones who keep going through my fridge and eating my Weeties.

Rick: [Shredder] Uh, no.

> "Wizards? Don't be silly master." Said Stockmen. "Wizards only exist in fantasy stories."

Dan: And in Stockman's high school D&D game

> "FOOL! Was it fantasy that destroyed your mouser robots Dr. Stockmen?!" Shredder shouted before

> turning to Hun. "Was it fantasy that took back the Sword of Tengu from your foot soldiers?!"

Rebecca: [Baxter] Uh no, it was giant mutant turtles. Perfectly reasonable science.

> "What is so special about this boy who lived?" Hun asked.

Rick [Shredder]: Well, he lived

Dan [Hun]: And?

Rick [Shredder]: Ok, you got me there.

> "Magic and Ninjitsu have a unique connection with each other.

Rick: Hold on, I think this is turning into Ninjas and Superspies.

> I encountered one of the greatest dark wizards of all time.

Tsuneo: Gargamel

> Lord Voldemort. His name is whispered in fear to those in the wizarding world."

> "What is so scary about a French verb?" Stockmen asked.

> "That name stands for Fright of Death!"

> "Sorry I asked."

Dan: ...what the hell does any of that mean?

Rick: I have no idea.

> "Eleven years ago, Voldemort led me to those who have thrice denied him.

Tsuneo: His bank manager. Voldemort was knocked back on his loan application

> They were the key to finding my enemies. But they refused to talk and it cost them their lives.

Dan: [Shredder] Being fair, I am not very good at this.

> When he tried to kill a baby

> boy, his spell backfired onto him and his body vanished. If it wasn't for that fool Sirius Black, I would

> have gotten that boy down myself!"

Dan: Being beaten by a baby is about right for Shredder

> "Then perhaps this boy is also working for you enemy." Said Hun.

> "Or most likely using super powers for being a top secret government experiment. Because I still  
> don't believe wizards are real until I see one."

Rebecca: That rare moment when the paranoid delusional ranting is still the more believable option

> "I am not interested in theories! I want answers! That boy has to be Harry Potter!

Tsuneo: Because there are no other boys in the world with glasses and a pudding basin haircut

> You two will work together! Find Potter and his allies. Learn all you can about him.

Rick: Get his date of birth, his social security number, his mother's maiden name and the first street  
he lived on just to be sure

> Destroy him if necessary."

Tsuneo: Destroy my arch enemy if you think it's worth doing

> Meanwhile, in the lair, Master Splinter had everyone gathered up on top of poles as he lit some  
> candles.

Rick: Best not to ask where he gets all of this stuff from in a sewer

> "Tonight my students, our training will combine two essential disciplines.

Dan: Beer and pretzels

> The way of balance."

> Splinter then clapped his hands and the lights turned off.

> "And the way of Invisibility."

> "Dude. You put in the clapper?" Mike asked Don.

> "Of course I did."

> That got Splinter to slap Mike with his walking stick.

Dan: Was that part of the lesson?

Rebecca: Nope.

Dan: Oh. But I'm okay with that.

> "Michelangelo. The way of invisibility also includes the way of silence.

Tsuneo: They all immediately fail.

> I suggest you employ both if you wish to avoid my attacks."

> Splinter made his first move at Harry and Neville and Leo and the three of them jumped

Rebecca: Neville Longbottom, famed for his agility.

> and stayed on top of the poles.

Dan: Pfft, this is no Iron Monkey. Set the poles on fire and then we're talking

> Hermione and Padma tried to attack him but he dodged in time. Don tried to get  
> him by swinging his staff. Only for Splinter to jump and move behind him.

> Luna and Raph ran across the polls without falling. Raph jumped and tried to kick Splinter but he  
> moved away. Before Luna had the chance, Splinter knocked her Kamas away from her.

Tsuneo: By more than doubling the size of the cast the author has managed to make every scene far  
longer and drawn out than it needs to be

Rebecca: And yet most of the characters don't actually do anything

Tsuneo: It'd be impressive if it wasn't so dumb

> Stephen went from poll to poll doing stunts until he couldn't find Splinter anywhere.

Dan: Yeah, uh, great job showing off Stephen, but the lights are off, so...

> Until he found

> Splinter in front of him and decided to throw him off guard by clapping and turning the lights back  
> on.

> "Peek A Boo. I see you." He said.

Rebecca: And a whack on the head for Stephen.

Rick: For being a smart-arse?

Rebecca: No, just generally being Stephen.

> Splinter tried to get him but Stephen grabbed onto the stick in time. He almost lost balance but  
> managed to grab the poll in time.

> "Don't I at least get points for creativity?" He asked.

> "A creative mind must be balanced by a disciplined body." Splinter said as he turned the lights off  
> again. "We must learn stillness and alertness for they are the only defense against the unexpected."

> Speaking of unexpected,

Rick: Weasels attacked

> Casey Jones just came in from the elevator to the warehouse.

Tsuneo: Yes, Casey Jones reappearing was unexpected.

> It was so dark he couldn't see where the others were.

> "Hey guys?" He asked as he looked around.

> But then, He bumped into the polls and knocked them over and made the others fall to the floor.

Tsuneo: Apparently they were in a warehouse.

Rick: News to me.

> "Uh oh."

> When Splinter got up, he saw Casey and gave him the angry face

Dan: To be fair, he is a rat. His only expressions are 'asleep' and 'want to gnaw your face off'

> as he leaped into the air and tackled him to the floor.

> "Master Splinter no." Leo said as he turned the lights back on.

Rick: [Leo] Bad master! Bad! It's the squirt squirt for you!

> "He's okay."

> "Sensei this is Casey." Said Hermione. "The guy we told you about."

Rick: You know, the crazy, ranting guy who never washes.

> "You remember." Said Mike. "The igilante vey."

Dan: [Splinter] I know, that's why I'm attacking him.

> "We figured it'd be okay for him to have accese to the lair." Said Harry.

Tsuneo: Which is probably the sort of thing you should have run by Splinter first.

Rebecca: In retrospect it was a dumb idea

> "For emergencies and such. We trust him as much as we trust April."

Dan: Who is... Say, where is April, anyway?

> "Ah. Please forgive my rash actions Mr. Jones."

> "No problamo." Casey said as he got back on his feet.

Dan: Who was apparently fine with being mauled by a giant talking rat man

> "Though next time you will be wise to answer the ancient Japanese proverd. Phone first."

> Now with the lights on Casey took a look around.

> "So this is Casey?" Neville asked.

> "That's him alright." Said Harry.

Rick: So this guy called Casey is Casey?

Dan: Casey is indeed Casey

Rick: Amazing

> "Whoa. New friends Harry?" Casey asked.

Rebecca: The idea that somebody might have friends is confusing to Casey

> "You can say that again."

Dan: [Casey] Whoa. New friends Harry?

> "Well I gotta admit Harry. Your crib's even more cooler than Raph said."

Tsuneo: I thought they were still in a warehouse?

Dan: Were they ever though?

> "Well you didn't just come here for a tore right?" Hermione asked. "What's going on at the streets?"

> "Graffiti. It's everywhere. All over town."

Rick: Damn Romans scrawling all over the forum

> "And why were you coming here to talk about that?" Stephen asked. "This is New York City. We all

> have seen graffiti."

Dan: Graffiti in New York is not exactly a newsworthy item

> "Not this kind." Casey said as he pulled out a picture of a graffiti. "I think somebody's trying to send you a message."

> On the picture was an orange graffiti of the sword that the team took back from the enemy ninjas.  
> Four turtles of the same color were on it which was resembling Leo, Mike, Don, and Raph. But on top of it was a black lightning bolt which Harry knew was resembling his scar.

Rebecca: Because there is nothing else that a lightning bolt could ever symbolise

Dan: For all we know, it could be calling out the Power Rangers

> "Talk about getting the point." Said Mike.

> "Do all the tags look like this?" Leo asked.

Tsuneo: They're a standard texture that's just dropped onto any world object.

> "Some are a little more graphic." Casey said

Dan: And by that he means most of them are dick jokes

> until he saw the sword from the museum and walked to  
> it. "Hey cool sword. It looks just like the one in the graffiti."

Rick: Those are some very precise graffiti artists

> "Wait." Harry tried to say. But Casey was already too close as he touched it.

Dan: Casey is the house guest who touches all your stuff, leaves his chip wrappers lying around and doesn't replace the toilet paper roll.

> The moment he did, the sword lit up and a shock wave sent Casey onto the bookshelf.

Rebecca: They booby-trapped the sword

> "Were you warning me about that?" He asked.

> "I was." Said a very annoyed Harry. "Remind me Raph. Who's idea was it to invite him down here?"

Dan: Casey has real 'I thought you invited him' energy

> "I thank you for this information Mr. Jones." Said Splinter. "But now we must return to our training."

Tsuneo: That was one of the best 'its time for you to leaves' I've ever heard

> "But don't you guys wanna put the smack down on the scum who did this?"

> "Well yeah." Said Mike. "But it smells way too much like a set up."

Rebecca: And when even Mike suspects a setup...

> "Somebody's just trying to get under our shells." Said Don.

> "Or most likely leading us into a trap." Said Padma.

> "It could be the Nargles doing." Said Luna. "Through I daught that they'd use any muggle forms like  
> this."

Rebecca: Having just confirmed that she exists, Luna returns to lurking in the background and not contributing.

> "Why should we stoop to their level?" Stephen asked.

> "But this is a matter of honor." Said Casey. "What about all that Bushidodo stuff you always mention > Harry?"

Tsuneo: Ignore him. Harry's just trying to get an L5R game going.

> "That's Bushido, which has nothing to do with payback for nasty wall doodles." Harry said to him.

Rebecca: Izano Nitobe specifically added a clause about graffiti call-outs

> "Sorry Casey. I gotta go with my team on this one." Said Raph.

> "Oh man." Casey said until he saw the entertainment center.

Rick: Casey Jones is easily distracted by shiny things.

> "Say. What's on the TV?"

Tsuneo: Exposition news. What else?

> "Here we go." Said Hermione.

> Back at Foot HQ, Stockmen was having a talk with Hun and the Shredder.

Rick: The Foot Clan is primarily about meetings

> "While your over sized lackey wastes time and effort with the pointless scriblings of street thugs, I > have created something useful to capture your so called wizard.

Dan: This is going to involve a pile of free bird seed, isn't it?

> I gave you, The Foot Tech Ninjas!"

> A pare of blue robotic foot ninjas

Rick: Effing Blue Ninjas, man. There goes the entire damn comic. It's gonna be nothing but them and Granny Demon hitting things with her handbag from here on out

Dan: You okay there?

Rick: I mean, we could have had more Black Major, but noooooo...

> were seen in front of the door. Ready to demenstraight to the Shredder.

> "My brilliantly designed cyber armor enhances their physical abilities. Giving them increased > strength, speed, and stealth capabilities."

Tsuneo: Yes, but how are their parfaits?

> Everyone watched as the fight went on.

Tsuneo: There was a fight?

Rebecca: Against credulity.

> One of them pushed the plate simble on the chest and vanished and then sent the other flying.

Rebecca: So press on the chest piece to defenestrate the other guy. Odd technology, sure, but I'm



sure you've got a plan for it

> "And all thanks to the technology I was able to glean from just a tiny sample of this unusual artifact  
> you dragged up from the east river.

Rick: He got to examine its big toe.

> Of course I could have made them more powerful if you'd let me study the whole thing."

Tsuneo: Pfft, it'd just end with your face melting off

> That got Hun to just grab him by the shoulder.

Dan: Hun is living the dumb jock dream

> "Ow ow ow ow ow ow ow!"

> "First things first Dr. Stockmen." The Shredder said to him. "Bring me Harry Potter."

Tsuneo: I'm at the point where I'm wondering why the author even bothered putting in the Turtles or the other Harry Potter characters. It's not like they're relevant to anything

Rebecca: Padding

Tsuneo: Good point, let's move on

> "Just keep this behemoth out of my way and my Foot Tech Ninjas will deliver the goods! I guarantee  
> it!"

> "You have already paid the price for failing me once. Do not fail me a second time."

> He was right. Stockmen had lost an eye for failing him before.

Tsuneo: The sort of thing that you might have wanted to mention earlier

> He feared on what would happen if he failed again.

Rebecca: He'd be fired with a sub-par redundancy package and no references.

> Mike was joining Casey at the TV as he was about to grab the last slice of pizza. But Casey bet him  
> to it.

> "Aw great." He said.

Dan: The fic's true, epic struggle.

> Casey then looked at the DVD box as Leo walked in and turned off the TV.

> "Gee. It sure is getting late." He said.

Rebecca: This was not a subtle hint at all.

> "These the only DVD's you've got?" Casey asked.

Dan: Best not to ask why they have a complete My Little Pony collection

> "Well yeah." Mike said to him. "Why don't you barrow some and then bring them back?"

Rebecca: Yes, why don't you play them anywhere else?

> "That's alright. I'll just watch them here." Casey said as he walked to the DVD player. But he was  
> pushing the stop button instead of the eject button. "Come on eject."

Rick: Casey is living the awful self-invited guest dream

> "That's not the right button." Said Hermione.

> But Casey didn't listen and smashed it with his foot.

Rebecca: It's at about this point they considered knocking him out and dumping him in the river

> "Uh, I think your player's broken."

> "Reparo!"

> Hermione casted the fixing charm and the player was fixed.

Tsuneo: Hermione collects her appearance fee and makes a beeline for craft services.

> "Man I'm starting to like magic even more."

> "Too bad you weren't born a wizard yourself." Said Don.

Rick: You're not one either. Your point?

> "What are you working on?"

> "Boring stuff. Really boring stuff."

Rebecca: Well, that was a worthwhile inclusion which really contributed to the story.

> "Hey Raph. Stephen. Let's whesle!"

> Casey charged at Raph and Stephen and knocked them down.

Dan: I'm sure Casey feels great grappling with a primary school kid.

> "Let us go Bonehead!" Stephen shouted.

> "No way Dipstick!"

Tsuneo: On the upside, it's a realistic representation of how twelve-year-olds would speak. On the downside, this version of Casey is meant to be in his twenties

> Just then, Splinter slammed his stick in front of them.

> "Stephen. Raphael." He said.

Tsuneo: To the ninja turtle and his ninja wizard proxy

> "Normally I discourage excursions to the surface. But I think it's wise

> to take out guest for a breath of fresh air."

Rick: Splinter wants to kick him out too.

Dan: I wouldn't blame him in the slightest

> "I'm all over top side." Said Raph.

> "Count me in too." Said Stephen. "Come on Maniac."

> "Maniac? Who are you calling a maniac?"

Tsuneo: And is he dancing like he's never danced before?

> Casey asked as he and the others left through the elevator.

> "And that's how they defeated, The Thing That Wouldn't Leave." Said Mike.

Rick: Wait, are they talking about Stephen?

Dan: Might as well be at this point since they're basically the same character

> "You watch way too many horror movies." Said Harry.

All: We know.

> Meanwhile, Raph and Casey and Stephen were seen making their way across the rooftops as they

> kept insulting each other.

> "Nimrod." Said Raph.

> "Rikewhate." Said Casey.

> "Gack Face." Said Stephen.

Rick: Troutmongler

Dan: Grumbletool

> "Spray paint?" Casey asked as he stopped.

> "Spray paint?" Stephen asked. "What kind of lame trash talk is that?"

Tsuneo: I mean, it's better than what they had already

> "No listen."

> The three looked down and saw some Purple Dragons making graffitis of their dragon.

Rick: If it's not fighting a wizard then I don't care

> And in its mouth were four turtles as well as the black lightning bolt.

Dan: No stand-ins for Hermione, Neville, Stephen, Luna and Padma?

Tsuneo: Its not like they're actually doing anything

Dan: Good point, let's move on

> Raph, Casey and Stephen leaped to another rooftop before heading down to them.

> "Hi. We're the neighborhood clean and green.

Rebecca: [Stephen] Fifty bucks or we 'clean and green' your car.

> Doing our part of stamping out tags." Said Stephen

> as the Purple Dragons pulled out their weapons. "What? Don't like green? Then how about black  
> and blue?"

Rick: Naw, still a pretty dour palette. You really need to liven things up

> One of them went for Raph but he dodged and kicked him away.

> "Dude. You're totitly stealing my act." Casey said as one of the goons copied his baseball bat pose.

> The goon tried to get him but he dodged.

> "Stuperfy!" Stephen shouted as he casted the stunner spell and it hit one of the goons.

Rebecca: It's a good thing that the author only sometimes remembers that the characters can do magic since it basically ruins any tension anyway

> One of the goons ran behind a dumpster and pulled out his phone called in backup.

Tsuneo: You've got to hit him to interrupt the call, or the fight drags on forever.

> "We gone two of them. One of the turtles and one of the wizards."

Dan: Which one? Gandalf? Sarumon? Radagast? Be more precise you moron

> Until Stephen found him and pulled him out and knocked him out. Just as Casey and Raph knocked out the other two.

> "Peace of cake." Said Casey.

> "Don't be too sure." Said Stephen. "Phone boy called for back up.

Rick: [Raph] Could he call for takeaway while he's at it? I'm famished.

> And here it comes."

> And on Stephen's word, three Tech Ninjas jumped in front of them.

> "Whoa. Those things are not human." Said Casey.

Dan: He can tell this immediately, I guess

Rebecca: Maybe he's a fully qualified doctor when he's not hitting people with a hockey stick

Dan: If so, that would be the most interesting that Casey Jones has ever been

> "In case you haven't known, neither am I." Said Raph.

Tsuneo: [Casey] Okay, that thing's inorganic. Happy?

> Just as the three charged at them, the Tech Ninjas pushed the buttons on their chests and  
> vanished.

Rick: I mean, as action features go it's not the worst toy gimmick I've ever seen

> "Where'd they go?" Casey asked.

> And then, the ninjas kicked them and knocked to them to the wall at the dead end of the alley.

> "They must have some kind of what do you call it." Said Stephen.

Tsuneo: Invisibility. You're wizards, you know that this is a thing people can do.

> "A cloaking device." Said Raph.

> "Cloaking device?" Casey asked. "What are they? Clingons?"

Tsuneo: Off-brand Klingons to avoid copyright issues

> Stephen saw one of them walk into a puddle and jumped to get him. Only to get grabbed. Until  
> Casey and Raph grabbed one of the left over paint cans and sprayed the ninja.

Rebecca: Supertech stealth ninja robot is weak against puddles and spraypaint

Tsuneo: Shredder really needs better quality assurance

> And then Casey hit one of them and knocked off his eye.

Dan: Baxter winces in sympathy.

> But before Casey could get him again, he broke his hockey stick.

> "Uh oh."

> And then the ninjas knocked the three onto the wooden platforms and they fell down on them and  
> knocked them out cold.

Dan: Synchronised head-kicking is one of those niche Olympic sports that never caught on

> "Target captured." One of them said.

> "What about this guy?" The other asked as he held up Casey.

Dan: [Robotic] Is he a turtle or a wizard?

Rick: [Robotic] He could be a really bad wizard.

Dan: [Robotic] Hmm, tricky.

> "Just leave him to us." The purple dragon goons said as they returned.

> The ninjas then left as the goons turned to Casey.

> "You had this coming for a long time Vigilanty."

> The three then raised their weapons into the air. Ready to finish Casey off for good. But,

> "Psych!"

Rebecca: Might actually be a deep cut stealth Sherlock Holmes adaptation, but that's not important right now

> Casey had recovered and sprayed the goons.

Dan: Best not to ask what he sprayed them with

> Making them cough as he ran away and grabbed the eye that came from one of the ninjas.

Rick: [Casey] I let my friends get captured, and it was hilarious!

> "Where am I?" Stephen asked as he woke up.

Rick: Back at the start of the chapter.

> "Raph? Casey?"

> Just then, he felt his body getting poked by some claws.

Dan: Somebody's cat was walking all over him

> "Hey watch where you're poking those things!" He said.

> And then, Hun walked in holding Stephen's wand and said.

> "This is some nice steel and a useless stick as well.

Rick: [Hun] You reckon I'd get much on the collector's market for it?

Tsuneo: [Raph] I mean, it's not a main character's wand so nobody will bid on it.

Dan: [Stephen] Hey!

Rick: [Hun] You're right, probably just toss it.

Dan: [Stephen] Oh, come on!

> How about telling me who gave them to you."

> "Yo mama." Said Stephen.

Rick: Patricia Hun, artisan martial arts weapons and wand supplier

> Hun just slammed the sais next to his head.

> "I'm sorry. I didn't quite hear you."

> Hun then grabbed Stephen's shell-cell and smashes it in front of him.

Tsuneo: Stephen would continue to use it despite the smashed screen until the glass splinters became too much for him

> "You know I get a little clumsy when people don't answer my questions."

Dan: That's why he hates watching quiz shows

> "Hey nice tat." Stephen said as he saw the tattoo on his arm. "Are you a Purple Dragon?"

Rick: Actually he's more of a lavender dragon. But the tattoo guy didn't get the colour right

> "You can call me Hun.

Tsuneo: [Stephen] Nah, don't wanna.

> I am their leader. But enough about me.

Rebecca: The rest is on his Tinder profile.

> Let's start with what kind of boy are

> you. Tell me everything about this other boy named Harry Potter."

Rebecca: Who are you in relation to Harry Potter is Stephen's character in a nutshell

> Back in the lair, the others went back to their training on the way of invisibility.

Rick: [Splinter] I didn't see you in class. [Pause] Well done.

> Until Casey entered from the elevator all brushed up and walking in pain

Dan: I imagine this is how they usually see Casey.

> as he once again propped the poles and then

> knocked them over. The others tried to keep balance but failed badly and fell.

> Mike then turned the lights back on and saw Casey and said, "You can almost set your watch by  
> this guy."

Tsuneo: It's funny because he's been violently assaulted

> "Casey what happened?" Harry asked. "Where's Raph and Stephen?"

> "The invisible ninjas took them."

Rick: In the back, Luna is all 'I told you so'

> "Uh, what do you mean by invisible ninjas?" Hermione asked.

Rebecca: Immediately after training their invisibility.

> "This story would involve Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny by any chance would it?" Mike asked.

Tsuneo: Again, you hang around wizards. Why is this so hard to believe?

> "Not funny Mike." Said Padma.

Rebecca: You've had your line, Padma. Go to the back of the queue.

> "I've got prove." Casey said as he pulled out the eye. Which Don took and classified.

Tsuneo: [Don] Genus Archaeopteryx, species Lithographica.

> "Oh. Some kind of optical device." He said. Heavy duty hardware.

Rick: As opposed to just being Roadblock hardware when Hasbro can't use the name

> "Raph's not answering his shell-cell." Leo said as he tried to call Raph.

Dan: I'd imagine they're used to that by now

> "Stephen's not answering ether." Neville said as he tried to call Stephen from his shell-cell.

Tsuneo: Hang on, shouldn't Harry be the one aping all Leo's lines?

> Casey then got mad as he grabbed a foot stool and tossed it behind Splinter as it smashed.

> "This is all my fault!"

Tsuneo: The only way to express his frustration is to violently throw furniture

> "Don't worry." Said Don. "I installed tracking chips in all the shell-cells. Just in case."

Rebecca: Well that wasn't alarming or a gross over-reach in the slightest

Tsuneo: God no.

> Don took out a tracker to look at where Raph and Stephen were. No signal.

> "Interesting. Not picking up a signal."

Rick: Yeah, we read the narration

> "Ugh we'll find them!" Casey said as he kicked the sofa.

Dan: Mike is warily eyeing his plasma TV.

> "I may be able to calibrate the scanner to trace a calm signal from your invisible ninjas."

Dan: He said with an entirely straight face

> "Better be fast Don." Said Padma.

Rebecca [Padma]: Also I am still here

> "I don't know if we can fix all of that furniture with him like this."

Tsuneo: His irrationally violent outbursts are funny

> "We've been over this again and again kid!" Hun said sense he haven't got any good answers off of  
> Stephen.

Dan: In a shocking revelation to all, Stephen knows nothing and is completely useless.

> "I'm only gonna ask you this one more time! Who do you work for?!"

Dan: Akira from programming. Yeah, he's not thrilled about it but at least it pays well

> How long have you been on this planet?!

Tsuneo: Well his birthday is in June...

> What is the level of your technology?!

Rick: He's up to Advanced Technology II

> And more importantly, do you know everything about this Harry Potter?!"

Rebecca: Well, he knows some things but I wouldn't say he knows everything...

> "Planet? Technology? Boy are you barking up the wrong boy.

Tsuneo: Hun's not very good at this, is he?

Dan: He's not even that good at being Hun.

> In fact, my friend Harry prefers that we keep everything secret about us.

Rebecca: It's such a secret that not even Stephen knows who Stephen is. Which is a pretty fair summary of his character, to be honest.

> But now that I think about it, who do you work for?

Tsuneo: Oh, Hun doesn't technically work for them. He's a temp, leased out by his agency.

> I mean you look way too dumb to be in charge of all this."

> "Well then, I guess we have no choice. Stockmen!"

Dan: Stockmen?

Rick: It's the plural of Baxter Stockman. Not one that gets much use, but there is precedent

> A light turned on from the left side of them. Revealing Baxter Stockmen with Raph in the same state  
> Stephen was in.

Rebecca: Irrelevant?

> "Baxter Stockmen I presume.

Tsuneo: I mean, you work with him. You should know.

> The guys said everything about you and your mouser robots."

> "Aha. So you are familier with these turtles."

Rebecca: They knew each other in high school, but they haven't really kept in touch



> Stockmen said to him as he pulled out a large buzz  
> saw. "So, your choice. You can talk. Or you can let your friends DNA do the talking for you."

Tsuneo: I mean, I'm not sure mutant turtle DNA knows that much about Harry Potter, but...

> "I choose," Stephen said as he managed to free his right hand grabbed his sais and tossed them at  
> the buzz saw and smashed it. He then grabbed a gas hose and stuck it on Hun's face. "Sweet  
> dreams long butt!"

Dan: That's one of the more bizarre insults I've ever heard, but whatever works for you

> Before Stockmen could recover, Raph freed himself and grabbed his weapons and shell-cell as he  
> then freed Stephen.

Rebecca: Raph freed Stephen who had broken free to distract Baxter so Raph got lose and could free Stephen who had broken free...

> "Don will kill us for leaving these behind." Stephen said as he grabbed his sais and busted up shell-  
> cell and wand.

Tsuneo: Don is very strict about wands.

> By then, the two ran out the door. Only to find that they were on a ship in the middle of the river.

> "You take that life boat Stephen. We turtles are amphibious."

Rebecca: Good thing the bad guy lair follows proper lifeboat regulations

> Raph jumped into the water as Stephen got into the life boat and followed him.

> "Say Raph. What's that over there?"

> "That's the Statue of Liberty.

Tsuneo: How does Stephen not know what the Statue of Liberty is?

Rebecca: He's a Harry Potter Wizard. He finds turnstiles to be fascinating

Tsuneo: This is also true

> It was brought to America by France during the American Revolution.

Dan: Sounds like Raph knows about as much about the statue as Stephen does

> Wow, I'm talking like Don."

Rick: Expository

> "Whoa. I'm really gonna like America even more. Maybe I'll move here when I finish Hogwarts."

Rebecca: This is going to end with him buying a gun and self-identifying as a libertarian. I can tell.

> "You fool!" Stockmen shouted at Hun. "I was this close to obtaining a DNA sample and you let both  
> of them escape!"

Tsuneo: Um... why didn't you get it earlier? When they were unconscious?

Rebecca: For a mad scientist, Baxter's not much of a planner.

> "Percisely. I let them escape. To lead us to the others. Even as we speak, a squad of Foot Tech  
> Ninjas are trailing the two of them.

Dan: The same tech ninjas that are weak against water

Rick: Yes

Dan: And you guys are on a boat

Rick: Um yes?

Dan: I see flaws with this plan

> So now it's all up to your invisible boys. Better hope they don't blow it."

Rebecca: Hun's main job now is to pass the buck

> Back in the lair, Don had managed to pick up something.

Tsuneo: So he self-isolated for three days.

> "I'm getting a singal. Two of them. It's Raph and Stephen!"

Rick: [Leo] I'm actually not sure which I'm least excited about.

> "Woohoo!" Casey shouted as he ended up slammed his golf club on one of the lights and broke it.

Dan: Casey has real 'why are we still friends' energy

> "This guy's bad news even where there's good news." Said Mike.

> "They're fant but at least we've got a blimp we can follow."

Rick: Yay for the Turtle blimp!

> Don said as more dots showed up on his tracker. "Make that several blimps."

> "The invisible ninjas singal?" Leo asked.

Rick: Single robot ninja seeks robot kunoichi for long-term relationship. Serious replies only.

> "Stephen and Raphael may not even be aware they were being tailed." Said Splinter.

Dan: They can't see the invisible guy following them

> "Which means we better find them before they bring in some seriously unwanted house guests."

> Said Harry.

> "We've already got one of them." Said Mike.

Rick: [Harry] Excuse me, I live here.

> "So how do we fight something we can't see?" Padma asked.

> "Already got that one covered." Don said as he pulled out, "Turtle vision heat sensor goggles. After

> all an invisible body is still a warm body."

Rebecca: Or they could be masked from thermal imaging as well.

> "Let's go." Said Hermione.

> "That's a god look for you." Mike said to Casey.

Tsuneo: That thing that was not described or referenced in any way.

> "We're gonna have to split up." Said Harry. "Mike, Neville, Luna, Casey. You four take the Battle

> Shell and search above ground."

> Of course, Casey kept pushing the buttons on the dashboard which got Mike to slap him.

> "Quit it." He said.

> "Me, Leo, Don, Hermione, and Padma will cover below on the sewer slider."

Rick: Jagwar, Alicia Spinnet, Zacharias Smith and Mondo Gecko, get to the Turtle Van

Dan: On it!

Rick: Sandstorm, Ray Fillet, Penelope Clearwater and Charity Burbage, you take the Shell Raiser

Dan: Wait, is Ray Fillet a Ninja Turtles character or a Harry Potter one?

Rick: I'm not sure

> Don was using his tracker to see if they're getting close.

Tsuneo: And if the DoorDash was ready.

> By then, Raph and Stephen had reached the sewers and were making their way to the lair. Still not

> aware of the Tech Ninjas behind them.

Tsuneo: To be fair, I'm not sure if they're even aware of their own feet

> Soon, they had reached a drain in front of them.

Rick: A drain? In a sewer?

> Just as Harry and Leo had spotted them.

> "We found them." Harry said to the others on his shell-cell. "Don will send you the single."

Rebecca: Don's trying to play matchmaker instead of working on his own relationship issues.

> "Look." Leo said as he looked down. "There's the invisible ninjas."

Dan: Look, they're right there in front of you. Can't you see them?

> The two pulled out their swords and made their way down.

> "Hey." Raph and Stephen said when they saw Harry and Leo. "What the?"

> "Bonzi!"

Rebecca: They found a rare miniature sewer tree.

> They hit the Tech Ninjas and began to battle them.

> "What are you doing?" Stephen asked.

Tsuneo: I don't know, and I've been doing it for years.

> "Ever hear the one about the invisible ninjas?" Leo asked.

Tsuneo: Fic, stop trying to be funny

Dan: What if that was an artefact from the original script?

Tsuneo: Then it's even worse

> Just then, the Tech Ninjas grab them and spun them into the air

Rick: Say, is there a ceiling on this sewer? Just wondering.

> and tossed them and they landed flat on their backs as the others arrived.

> "Hey. Did I mention these guys are really strong too?" Casey asked.

Rick: And they have two rolls on the minor super powers table.

> "Might have been useful info." Said Leo.

Dan: Leo tries to memorise the Monster Manual before every session.

> Just as all of them were gathered up, Raph and Stephen kept trying to hit the Tech Ninjas. But kept  
> getting hit themselves.

Tsuneo: Are these two meant to be rock stupid?

Rebecca: I can't tell, but it's funny no less

> "Show yourselves!" Stephen shouted.

> "Think we should give them a hand?" Neville asked.

Rick: This is a Ninja Turtles episode, so you Harry Potter characters aren't allowed to contribute.

> The others agreed and ran to him. Casey however was using his golf club on a pile of dust. After a  
> good aim, he swang the club and the dust flew on the Tech Ninjas to reveal them.

Rebecca: These tech ninjas are kind of useless

> "Mush better." Raph said as he and Stephen kicked them.

> "Now you them." Mike said as he swang his nun-chucks on the ninjas. "Now you don't."

> "Their cloaking controls look to be somewhere on the chest plate." Said Hermione.

Rick: That's her entire contribution for the chapter. Treasure it.

> "You mean," Harry started as he jumped and swang his katans on the plates which made the plates  
> spark and reveal the ninjas. "Here?"

> Before they could attack him, Padma and Luna ran in and knocked both of them into a puddle which  
> made then short sercert and shut down.

Rebecca: Sure, send the robots that short out in puddles into the dank, dark sewer. Nothing can go  
wrong with this

> "That should do it." Said Luna.

> "Well done." Said Padma.

Dan: Really helping there.

> "I guess that's that." Said Raph.

> "WHOA!"

> Everyone turned up and saw Casey held by one of the Tech Ninjas.

> "Drop your weapons and surrender." He said to them.

Rick: [Raph] Wait, these guys talk?

Rebecca: [Ninja] I am in fact known as a sparkling conversationalist.

> "That doesn't look good." Said Padma.

Dan: And that's her only line

> "My grip is loosening.

Rebecca: So you'll let him go? Seems like a good deal.

> I suggest you drop your weapons. Now."

> "Don't do guys. I'm not worth it." Said Casey.

Tsuneo: Not going to argue

> "You know he's got a point." Said Don.

> "You're starting to sound like Mike." Said Hermione.

Rebecca: Mike, well known for abandoning his friends.

> And so they dropped their weapons. But,

> "Hey." Said Raph. "Where did Neville go?"

Tsuneo: The author just forgot he existed. It happens a lot around here.

> He was above the ninja with Casey on one of the pipe lines.

> "Like Splinter said. The way of balance and the way of invisibility."

Dan: He also said "Where's the cheese?" but I don't think that's important right now.

> He then jumped and when the ninja saw him, he already kicked him and knocked both him and  
> Casey down.

Rebecca: Once again, Neville is the most useful character in any given situation

> As he fell, Don rushed to get his bo-staff. One of the ninjas tried to stop him be  
> swinging his swords at him. But he jumped and did a landing kick on the ninja as he grabbed the  
> staff.

> He then held it out for Casey and he caught it.

> "Nice job Don."

Tsuneo: Wait, was Casey in some kind of peril?

Dan: Would have been nice if they'd mentioned it.

> Don then sent Casey back up and then the others reclaimed their weapons. By then, all of them  
> charged at the ninjas.

Tsuneo: And how many ninjas are there anyway?

Dan: More.

> Four of them were knocked into the whorling drain by the turtles. And then six  
> more of them were sent down by Harry and Hermione and Neville and Luna and Stephen and  
> Padma. And then the last one was sent down by Casey.

Dan: That's all? It's shameful what passes for a ninja these days.

> "Thanks guys. I owe you one." Casey said the ninjas all went down the drain.

> "We take cash, personal checks, and most major credit cards." Said Mike.

> "If they weren't that strong and fast we could have used magic on them." Said Padma.

Rick: She's just fishing for excuses, isn't she?

> "I'm beat." Said Casey. "Maybe I should crash at you guys's place tonight."

> "We can take you home in the Battle Shell." Said Harry quickly. "It'll save you the trouble for having  
> to walk all the way back."

Rebecca: I can only assume the Battle Shell is the size of a city bus to fit in the entire cast

> "We'll carry up the stairs." Said Mike. "Tuck you in and even tell you a story."

Tsuneo: We really want to get rid of you, is what we're trying to say.

> "Don't make me laugh." Said Casey.

> At Foot HQ, Shredder was not pleased that Hun and Stockmen had failed.

> "Another operation marred by the sickening stench of defeat! NO doubt you're both well aware of  
> extremely limited tolerance for failure."

> "It was Hun's fault!" Stockmen shouted.

Dan: Yes. Perfectly fair. I'd accept that.

> "This bumbling oath let the prisoners escape!"

> But Shredder was not taking excuses as he grabbed Stockmen.

> "The plan was sound and yet your creations failed to, as you put it, deliver the goods."

Tsuneo: And yet he takes no issues with Hun's flawed planning

Rebecca: Maybe Shredder's just racist

Tsuneo: It would explain a few things

> He tossed Stockmen onto his back and then order the Foot Tech Ninjas to deal with him.

> "Wait." He said as they grabbed him. "Where are you taking me? Take your hands of me! I made  
> you! I am your creator!"

Rebecca: When you're a mad scientist you have to accept that this is inevitable

> And then, they were gone.

> "What did you learn from your interrogation Hun?"

Rick: Mostly more than he ever wanted to know about Sonic the Hedgehog

> "I worked over a lot of tough guys in my life. I'm telling you, Harry Potter hasn't even heard of your  
> enemies. Let alone work for them."

Dan: Huh, and here was me thinking that Harry Potter was one of the illuminati

> "Really?" The Shredder asked smurking. "Then perhaps it's time to bring Lord Voldemort back to

> power."

Rebecca: And yet, somehow this was inevitable.

> At Hogwarts in Quirrell's office, the man had rescued an owl from the foot.

Rick: Archimedes?

> "Master." He said.

> "What is it?"

> "The Shredder has responded. Potter has no idea what the Foot Ninja is.

Tsuneo: Isn't it just a specialised sportswear store?

> The Shredder plans to

> trick him to giving a sample of his DNA, whatever that means, to bring you back to power."

Rick: Wizards talking about DNA takes all the whimsy out of it

> "Then what are you waiting for? We must make haste for New York City. The time has come. Soon,

> Harry Potter will be no more! Ha ha ha ha ha ha!"

Dan: Also he'll have a body again or something. He doesn't sweat the details

> Meanwhile, in an unknown location, a man with blue hair was walking towards a seating of three

> people to tell them information.

> "Masters. It is true. Our enemy has discovered our presence in this city."

Rick: Wait, now the Robotech Masters are in this?

Tsuneo: I don't think that's...

Rick: I mean, there are three of them.

Tsuneo: [Sighs] Sure. Why not?

> "And what of,"

> "Your information,"

> "On Harry Potter?"

> "The boy is still an unknown factor. We need more information."

> "Learn all you can about him."

Rick: Try using the Harry Potter wiki

> "If he poses no threat,"

> "Do not engage him."

> "But if he is in the employ of our enemy,"

> "Then we'll be forced to take the necessary steps,"

Rebecca: They'll give him a stern talking to

> "To neutralize him."

> "Understood."

Tsuneo: Well that was all exceptionally vague.

> Authors note:

> Hope this was worth the wait.

All: No

> So as you can see, Harry's gonna go through all the things that Leo went through.

Rick: He's going to be reduced to a whiny emo and buried in favour of Raph?

> Also from the last chapter, you can see that Voldemort and the Shedder know each other.

Rebecca: Although they tried to avoid each other at their high school reunion.

> Ninjas and magic are indeed connected to each other.

Tsuneo: Ninjas are magic

> So yeah. I'll see you in the next chapter.

> I really need to work on my spelling.

Rick: And a merry tlp] to you too.

With that final comment, the big screen turned off, converting the world back to prose format. "And that was the fourth series of flavourless chunks that compose Harry Potter and the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," Tsuneo considered. "In which our time is not so much wasted as the fic actively mocks us for reading it."

"I'm not going to lie," Rebecca spoke up. "I was really impressed by the fic's priorities in all the worst ways."

"How so?" Rick asked.

"Look at how it spent its time in this last chunk," she explained. "We have line for line regurgitations of filler Ninja Turtles episodes with our new characters crudely wedged into them. This includes a number of pointless filler episodes that there's no need to bother adapting."

"Like we really needed Harry Parker, the boy who not died," Dan added.

"Right," Rebeca nodded. "But yet, we basically skipped over the entire Hogwarts school year and most of the developments and interactions that came with that. And when we finally get to the dungeon crawl to find the Philosopher's Stone, it's basically breezed over with little effort in a surprisingly short chapter."

"I agree that it is a bit odd," Tsuneo agreed. "And even then, I noticed that most of the Hogwarts material has been more of a rough acknowledgement more than anything else. If anything, most of the time spent at the school seems to be talking about how everyone's ninja training is going."

"The fic kind of did completely blow off the Philosopher's Stone plot and all," Rick nodded. "No build up, no clues, no hints of mysteries and secrets and crap. They just stumbled into it without knowing what was going on."

"I did note the author talking about how they had problems with writing the Harry Potter material," Dan added. "I'm gonna guess that's because reworking prose takes a lot more effort than just transcribing a script."



"Of course, that still beggars the question of why adapt filler episodes to begin with," Tsuneo finished. "Because they're really not adding anything to the story."

"A true mystery for the ages," Rick simply nodded.

"Wow! You're all clearly engaged with the fic," the Voice crashed into the conversation.

"I mean, that's one way to put it," Dan simply replied.

"Fantastic," the Voice beamed. "Then you'll be pleased to know that you'll be covering the last part of it next time."

"Oh we're happy about that," Tsuneo agreed. "But not for the reasons you think we are."

"Great to know," The Voice replied.

"But we are done for now, right?" Dan asked. "Because I've had my fill of Ninja Turtles filler episodes."

"We are, yes," the Voice confirmed. "And I'll see you all next time."

"Well there we go," Tsuneo finished. "We continue to grind forward with the adventures of libertarian ninja Harry Potter towards its inevitable abandonment."

"I hate to be one of those it could be worse types," Rebecca admitted. "But this is definitely one of those cases."

"How so?" Dan asked.

"Let's be blunt, the author using a character as their proxy and mouthpiece is a sin that is not confined to fanfic by any means," Rebecca explained. "There are a number of infamous cases in literature and film."

"This is true," Tsuneo nodded. "And with the benefit of hindsight, I can see how the Harry Potter series was lucky enough to dodge that."

"Yeah," Rick nodded. "Because otherwise I know we'd have ended with Harry Potter and the Transphobic Twitter Rampage."

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Author's notes:

Before I started working on this fic I had no idea that Stephen Cornfoot even existed. So I was naturally perplexed by the author's decision to elevate him to pet character and basically made the centre of all things. Then I did some research and was impressed by just how dumb it all was and how this was sadly unprecedented, and how often this actually happens in Harry Potter fandom. So there's that.

Honestly, though, this fic is a real mess when it comes to its cast. It's got too many characters, all of which are so far removed from their canon selves that it's stupid and all of which are entirely redundant. You could massively prune the cast and it wouldn't make any difference at all. On the other hand, less unicyles, so there is that.

Next time: the not conclusion

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> "What is so scary about a French verb?" Stockmen asked.

> "That name stands for Fright of Death!"

> "Sorry I asked."