

## DUX OF HAZARD

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## PREAMBLE

Omba had never been particularly fond of goodbyes (long or otherwise) and definitely was not fond of Ariadne's Artisans. They had been nothing but trouble since the day they met--a menace to ship and crew.

So, when Dux, "the Guide of Ife" was spotting waving frantically from the starboard shore.

DUX (O.S.)

1 Ahoy!

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The responsibility Ariadne had placed upon Omba was thank gods, at an end.

INSERT TITLECARD: "Adiós. Au revoir. Arrivederci. Tokomonana. Good riddance!"

EXT. SOMARRIA - EVENING - ESTABLISHING

The green and ever more green Somarria jungle is thick and vivacious, choking wet and hot.

EXT. BOYONOGO RIVER - SHORE - EVENING

Snaggle chews fondly on Helios' leg as the ship slowly turns upriver and makes it's planned escape.

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2 Fodder.

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The beast drops a rat gift and flies to rejoin his master.

AGGEE

3 I'm going to miss that reptile, even if he did try and kill me. 3

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RAINBOW

Ahhh, I didn't get a chance to say goodbye to Cooky.

BEDIA

It was rather rude how they frogmarched us off the ship without saying so much as a final goodbye.

HELIOS

6 No respect.

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The man who had been waving madly from the shore approaches.

7	DUX Mbote friends. I am Dux. Ranger and guide. I will deliver you safely through the jungle.	7
	DUX is a Targonian man, lanky and masculine. His rugged frontiersman exterior says he's an experienced pioneer carefree and comfortable living off the land; or a hobo.	
8	HELIOS To where?	8
	Dux laughs mirthfully.	
	His light airy laughter parts the clouds bringing warm sunlight cascading down on the gathering.	
	Spirits lifted, our four heroes smile cheerfully wrapped this warm radiance.	in
9	DUX To Ife. The city of gods.	9
	Bedia chews her lip, eyeing up and down the affable character, while Rainbow bounces excitedly, enthusiasm overflowing with charm.	
10	RAINBOW Hi, I'm Rainbow.	10
11	BEDIA How did you know we were coming?	11
	Rainbow yanks back her enthusiasm.	
12	RAINBOW Oh, good question. How did you?	12
	The ranger flashes a FATE CARD quickly, like a criminal flashing a fake ID. And just as quickly stashes it.	
13	DUX I've been quested to get you to where you need to go.	13
14	AGGEE Oh?	14
15	BEDIA Was that a genuine Anumian Fate Card?	15

Dux grins and for a moment a halo of light rests on his brow.

16		remember t	DUX king about the Anumians, this: They will test you mits of your soul.	16
17			BEDIA that's a <i>Con Man</i> card, or equally perilous, we need	17
18		or Lead	RAINBOW Travelers to their Death	18
19		If I were would you	DUX a gifted con man, how know?	19
	Helios tap	dances an	tsy hoof to hoof, like he needs to	
20			HELIOS fully scans oundings) lls!	20
	He BREAKS ferns near		e quickly disappears behind a thatch of	
21		I cannot s my quest v	DUX exiting bull) say with any certainty, if will lead to your death. cilous jungle.	21
22		May I see	BEDIA the card?	22
23		No. It's the gods.	DUX private between me and	23
24		You mean,	AGGEE Anumians.	24
	A coconut	falls out	of a tree and hits Aggee on the head.	
25		Owe!	AGGEE (CONT'D)	25
26		In Ife, it	DUX c's all about the gods.	26

27	RAINBOW I drew the Fairy Goodmother. I'm charged with writing a story.	27
	Dux nods respectfully to the colorful halfling.	
28	BEDIA You expect us to trust a dirty stranger lurking about on a riverbank in the middle of the Somarrian jungle? It's a might suspicious.	28
29	DUX And yet, you stopped.	29
30	AGGEE  Omba was on a quest to deliver us  to Ife, I think there was much she  wasn't telling us.	30
31	DUX You are of course welcome to travel through the jungle on your own.	31
32	AGGEE Bedia, we should show our new friend some respect. We're going to need help.	32
33	BEDIA If $help$ is what we're getting.	33
34	DUX I will not push my aid upon you, even as my quest demands. Proceed south from here. Beware of poisonous plants and predatory animals, and devil dark monsters. The greatest risk you face is your own error and stupidity.	34
35	RAINBOW With you guiding us, we can avoid these troubles?	35
36	DUX The jungle is trouble.	36
	Helios returns, nursing his stomach gingerly.	
37	HELIOS Please, no dinosaurs.	37

38		You okay,	AGGEE Helios?	38
39		me wrecked	HELIOS Hades potion Cooky gave d havoc on my gutsgave of shitters.	39
	Trust take	es years to	build, and they just met this man.	
40		You are or	AGGEE n a mission from a god?	40
41		Gods. In many gods	DUX Ife, it's always about	41
42		Gods. Su	AGGEE ce.	42
	A coconut	falls from	a a tree and strikes Aggee on the head.	
43		Owe!	AGGEE (CONT'D)	43
44		Gods are a	DUX all around us. Take care fend.	44
45		You know t	BEDIA us?	45
46		My quest v	DUX was very specific:	46
47		On the fix to meet a River. Fo	tes from memory) rst day of Amazon, you are ship on the Boyonogo our travelers will . Guide them to Ife.	47
48		And you th	RAINBOW nink that's us?	48
49		religious	DUX coming to this spot ly for forty years and you irst travelers I've seen.	49
	Aggee chol	ces.		
50		Forty year	AGGEE	50

	DUX	
51	I am but a humble servant with deep faith in my gods. Should I guide you? Or would you prefer, I wait another forty years?	51
	Aggee shakes the man's hands.	
52	AGGEE Hello. I am Aggee. These are my friends Rainbow and Bedia.	52
53	(waves to Helios) This tall drink of water is Helios.	53
54	HELIOS I am not afraid of water.	54
55	DUX I imagine you are not.	55
56	AGGEE I am also a guide. For hunters. Out of Gravers Dig.	56
57	DUX Ohh, Maxi trouble the Dig.	57
	He bows and makes a 'you first' flourish to the jungle.	
58	DUX (CONT'D) You take the lead.	58
	A sudden wind knocks a cluster of coconuts out of a nearby palm.	7
	AGGEE	
59	No. No-no. (scans trees above warily)	59
60	I would not wish to ruin your quest.	60
	Dux turns and walks toward the jungle.	
61	DUX You are all very chatty. (scans setting sun)	61
62	I've wasted much time on this quest. I am eager to see it through so I may return to my wife and children.	62
63	RAINBOW You've been away from your family for forty years?	63

64	DUX I serve the gods of Ife.	64
	ON RAINBOW AND BEDIA	
65	RAINBOW I'm making a footnote, we botched this relationship.	65
66	BEDIA Forty years? Shit. It was botched before we were born.	66
	EXT. BLACK WOODS - NIGHT	
	The northern Somarrian jungle is named BLACK WOODS for greason.	loog
	The Guide of Ife, leads our heroes single file through towering waterlogged jurassic plants.	hick
	With each passing step, the jungle canopy grows thicker darker, until the outside world is lost and but a dream.	
67	AGGEE I can't see shit, can you?	67
68	RAINBOW Mr. Guide, sir. If I light this lantern, will it invite something to eat us?	68
69	DUX The chance is never zero.	69
	Rainbow stops to put tinder to the lantern.	
70	HELIOS  Don't worry about me, I'm just  gonna have a friendly meet and  greet with this tree over yonder.	70
	Helios quickly disappears behind a ginormous rubber tree	·
71	HELIOS (O.S.) (CONT'D) Arghhh! I hate you, Cooky.	71
72	BEDIA  How about something dramatic, like dancing lights to illuminate our path.	72

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	Four glowing orbs: Red, Green, Blue, and Pink appear and hover above Bedia illuminating the jungle in rainbow hues.	
73	RAINBOW Nice choice. 73	3
	SOMETIME LATER IN JUNGLE TIME	
	How long have they been slogging? Hours? A day? Two?	
	Each moment is as excruciating long and protracted as the last. The jungle dark hides light as well as time equally well it would seem.	
	Ariadne's Artisans trudge silently with only an occasionally smash and crash of plants as Helios hacks back the foliage with his axe.	
74	HELIOS This thing is awesome. When I get 74 back to Gravers Dig, I need to get Cosmos to identify it.	ŀ
75	AGGEE It's an axe, Helios. Duh. 75 (to Rainbow)	5
76	Hey Rainbow, how is your quest 76 coming along?	5
77	RAINBOW  My quest? You mean my epic novel? 77  The quest is a little open ended, you know. I can't finish my quest until all ya'll finish your quests.	7
78	BEDIA Mine involves tracking down a 78 beast, a great terrible beast that has gone bad. Ninsunu wasn't terribly forth coming what that meant.	3
79	DUX You will know soon enough. 79	)
	Dux stops at a large cactus plant laden with RED FRUIT. He picks one by one and tosses them to the others.	
80	DUX (CONT'D) This is dragon fruit. It's 80 delicious and will keep you strong.	)

AGGEE

What, not god fruit?

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	A coconut hits Aggee in the head.
82	AGGEE (CONT'D) (rubbing his noggin) Owe! Duke is an interesting name. 82 Are you a warrior? A knight?
	Aggee jumps into a fighting stance, fists up.
83	AGGEE (CONT'D) You ever heard the expression, Put up your dukes? I was wondering if perhaps it's a nickname?
	DUX
84	I am a ranger. 84 (takes bite from fruit)
85	My name is spelled D-U-X. 85
	Seeing Dux eat, everyone helps themselves to the juicy fruit.
	HELIOS
86	If it comes down to a fight, we 86 will defend you.
87	(he farts with a grimace) Pardon me. 87
	Helios hot steps it into the jungle to relieve unwanted bowel
	pressure.
88	DUX (calling after Helios) The best way to survive a jungle 88 fight is to not get into one in the first place.
89	RAINBOW Are you a pacifist? 89
90	DUX Living in the jungle for forty 90 years, I've learned how to protect myself. Know this, if I die, you will not escape here alive.
91	AGGEE I definitely would. 91
	Dux analyzes Aggee.
92	DUX Okay, Mr. I'm a Guide Too. What 92 would you do to find your way back to Gravers Dig?

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93		AGGEE I would search for a trail or a roadway with signs, well-traveled with wheel tracks.	93
	Dux scoffs	with dripping ridicule.	
94		DUX There are no trails. No roads. No signs. No civilization to leave behind tracks.	94
95		AGGEE I would climb the highest point for vantage. Failing that, I would look to the sky and follow the World Serpent. Everyone knows that.	95
	Dux motion	s to the dark jungle canopy blocking out the sky	•
96		DUX You mean that sky?	96
97		RAINBOW The gods will help us. Ariadne, at least, right?	97
98		You would die and become fodder for dung Beetles. And after the beetles shat you out, Oduduwa would resurrect you, so that you may wonder the jungle and perish of thirst and hunger again. And so it would go, year after year, decade after decade. Ten centuries hence forth you would beseech the gods, "Please let me die and rest in peace." And the gods of Ife would laugh at the intruders who dared enter their jungle and piss on your head.	98
	A coconut	falls and hits Aggee in the head.	
99		DUX (CONT'D) Like that.	99
	A GREAT CO	MMOTION AND THRASHING interrupts their Dragon fr	uit

HELIOS (O.S.)
Dire wargs!

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Helios enters the clearing illuminated by Bedia's dancing lights, behind him--

A DIRE WARG VINE PLANT CREATURE follows.

It's dark silhouette roughly wolf shape, but it is not made of muscle and bone.

VINES LASH OUT.

FADE TO BLACK:

THE NARRATOR ENTERS THE SCENE STAGE RIGHT.

He's illuminated by a single overhead light in a sea of dark.

NARRATOR

101 The jungle came at them, spitting 101 forth foul canine creatures. Dire wolf in size and temperament.

The narrator sidesteps watching as Helios runs through the scene.

NARRATOR

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Helios used his newly enchanted axe to great effect. Huh? Turns out, axes are excellent tools against vines.

The narrator makes room for Rainbow to run past and fling her chakram.

RAINBOW

Chakram chakra!

NARRATOR

Sure, Rainbow prefers shadows and stealth, but when it comes to a stand up fight... she's an iron fist in a velvet glove.

More action catches the narrator's attention, he sidesteps Aggee running into combat.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

(points at Aggee)

Our chan leader quickly learns

punching thorny vines--

107	AGGEE Owe!	107
108	NARRATOR (winces) Yeah, don't punch thorny vines. It's also a good way to get grappled.	108
109	BEDIA Aggee's getting eat'n again.	109
	We see a FLASH followed by THUNDER. The narrator looks and about, curious.	up
110	NARRATOR Lucky for Aggee, an elemental sorceress is on hand to bail him out again.	110
	Helios, Aggee, Bedia and Rainbow stand back-to-back, fl superhero pose.	ex,
111	NARRATOR (CONT'D) Ultimately, Ariadne's Artisan's prevail against the jungle menace. Mostly.	111
	Dux tosses a coconut bouncing it off Aggee's head.	
112	AGGEE Owe!	112
	The narrator grins and then with a wink EXISTS STAGE LE	FT
	MOMENTS AFTER THE FIGHT	
	The Vine Hounds beaten back, the jungle retracts.	
113	RAINBOW What was that?	113
114	DUX  Just the jungle in it's many varied  forms.	114
	Everyone is bleeding from a hundred serrated scratches.	
115	BEDIA Everyone gather round, I'll get you fixed up.	115
	Helios retracts too, to a privy position, his sour stom gurgling.	ach

116	AGGEE Where are you going.	116
117	HELIOS Poo-poo platter.	117
11,	He bolts.	,
	LATER	
	Wounds tended and mended and marching order set	
	THEY MARCH.	
	Suddenly Aggee chan leaps forward, blocking	
118	AGGEE Dux, watch out!	118
119	<pre>(pointing at the ground) You're gonna wanna step around that pile of</pre>	119
120	RAINBOW Ewwwww!	120
121	BEDIA Is that a cow pie?	121
122	AGGEE And fresh.	122
123	RAINBOW Is there cattle in this jungle?	123
124	DUX Not that I've seen.	124
125	HELIOS Actually, that was	125
126	AGGEE <pre>HELIOS! Tell me it wasn't.</pre>	126
127	HELIOS I tell ya, that was one mean potion Cooky gave me, I think it might have actually killed my guts.	127
128	RAINBOW Poor, Helios.	128
129	BEDIA Maybe next time, take a dump a little further off the path.	129

130	HELIOS What path?	130
131	AGGEE Or maybe bury it.	131
	Embarrassment turns to anger.	
132	HELIOS I am a minotaur, not a cat.	132
133	DUX You city slickers need to listen up. Improve your effort. Or die. Understand? Now lets go.	133
	And go they did through Somarria's darkest jungle.	
	BEGIN TRAVEL MONTAGE:	
	Dux leads our four heroes through the deep dark jungle feverish pace, daring them to keep up.	at a
	INSERT TIME LAPSE TITLE CARDS	
	DAY 1 DAY 2 DAY 3 DAY 4 DAY 5	
	QUICK CUTS:	
	Dux leapfrogs stone-to-stone across a creek.	
	They wind through a cathedral of towering trees.	
	The exhausted troop sit around a campfire.	
	Dux machete chops large clusters of bananas.	
	They climb over and under fallen trees.	
	Dead on their feet, they press on like zombies.	
	All the while, Dux berating them like an imperial century	rion.
134	DUX (CONT'D) Embrace the suck.	134
	JUMP CUT	TO:
135	DUX (CONT'D) Touch that and die.	135
	JUMP CUT	TO:

136	DUX (CONT'D) Double time. You are too slow for my flow.	136
	JUMP CUT 1	
137	DUX (CONT'D) This is no parade, but by gods we'll get there.	137
	JUMP CUT 1	.o:
138	DUX (CONT'D) Check your six.	138
	JUMP CUT 1	.o:
139	DUX (CONT'D) Today we'll do what others cant.	139
	The monotony of the jungle trek weighs heavy on our not merry band of questers. Complaints turn to mild bicker and general bellyaching on a returning nightmare loop.	so ing,
	INSERT COLLAGE OF DISEMBODIED HEADS:	
140	AGGEE Who hired this guy?	140
141	BEDIA This was Aggee's idea.	141
142	RAINBOW My feet hurt.	142
143	HELIOS I gotta take a deuce.	143
144	AGGEE Who keeps farting?	144
145	HELIOS I fart in your general direction.	145
146	RAINBOW  If this gets much worse, I'm going  to ask you to stop helping us.	146
147	BEDIA Ahhh. I see the SNAFU fairy has visited us again.	147
148	HELIOS I need a beer.	148

FADE TO BLACK:

149	AGGEE Are we there yet?	149
150	RAINBOW I think we're walking in circles.	150
151	HELIOS I had more fun in Hades.	151
152	BEDIA Well, aren't you a bloody ray of sunshine.	152
153	HELIOS My ass hurts.	153
154	BEDIA Everything sucks and you can't convince me otherwise.	154
155 156	RAINBOW I hate the rain.	155 156
	END TRAVEL MONTAGE:	
	EXT. BOLD BOULDER BASIN - DAY	
	Bold Boulder Basin is an abandoned open mine pit the pec of Ife quarried to build their legendary city.	ple
	Our travel weary travelers pull up for a rest, lazing aggranite boulders.	ainst
157	AGGEE Daddy. Can we do this again?	157
158	DUX I do desire we may be better strangers.	158
	Dux suddenly and violently ZIPS ACROSS THE GROUND	
	Yanked HARD	
	DRAGGED	
	Flipped up and then down, bashed against the ground.	
159	HELIOS Dux is being attacked.	159

Our narrator steps back onto stage.

- Rainbow throwing chakrum.

- Bedia casting spells.

160	NARRATOR Lights please.	160
	A CONE OF LIGHT cascades from above.	
	In the background we hear the SOUND OF BATTLE.	
161	NARRATOR (CONT'D) (points up) Hear that? I'm back to chronicle the next round of JUNGLE vs. ARIADNE'S ARTISANS. This time, rather than Wargs, it's a	161
	Helios tears through the scene, axe raised.	
162	HELIOS Cyclops.	162
	The narrator shakes his head.	
163	NARRATOR Nuh-uh. Not a cyclops. Easy mistake though. It's a giant humanoid thing, made of poisonous jungle vines.	163
	Rainbow runs past, followed by Aggee.	
164	AGGEE It's another vine creature.	164
165	RAINBOW Save Dux.	165
166	NARRATOR Damn! Ouch. D'oh. (winces)	166
167	Our heroes better do something and fast, Dux is getting the tar beat out of him.	167
168	(recoils) Oh, shit.	168
	The narrator turns to watch the fight:	
	- Helios swinging his axe.	

	- and Aggee attacking with hands and feet.
	The narrator turns to the camera shaking his head sadly.
169	NARRATOR (CONT'D) You know how edge weapons only do 169 half-damage against skeletons? Aggee hasn't learned yet, hands and feet aren't affective against vines.
	He turns back to the fight.
170 171	NARRATOR (CONT'D)  Let's see how this 170   (winces)  Turns out. 173
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172	AGGEE Owe! 172
	The narrator SHADOW BOXES along side Helios.
173	NARRATOR It's about time our minotaur 173 friend
174	HELIOS Arghhhhh!!!
175	NARRATOR There he goes. Enraged. 175
	The narrator flinches, ducks, weaves as he witnesses Helios lose his cow mind. He chances a scared glance at the camera
176	NARRATOR (CONT'D) That's a whole-lota damage, son. 176
	ON OUR HEROES
	The giant vine monster dies. THUNK. Hits the ground on top of Dux.
177	HELIOS And stay down! Yeeahh! 17
	BACK TO NARRATOR
170	NARRATOR
178	Dux looks 178 (searches for adjective)
179	Bad. I'm sure Bedia can save him. 179 (MORE)

180	NARRATOR (CONT'D) (jerks a thumb) I'm outta here. 180
	ON BEDIA THE COMBAT MEDIC tending to Dux, mumbling discombobulated and incoherent.
181	DUX  Last night was a helluva jamboree, 181  because I've got a raging hangover.
	Helios ain't feeling well either, his stomach rumbles like an erupting volcano and he BURPS AND FARTS in unison.
182	HELIOS It's déjà poo all over again. 182
	He runs.
183	RAINBOW Same shit, different day. 183
184	BEDIA Oh, no. 184
	Everyone exchange worried looks for their poor friend.
185	HELIOS (O.S.) You might hear something or smell something unpleasant, but its off the path.
186	DUX Keep me down wind, please. 186
	LATER
	Helios returns wincing, walking gingerly, rubbing his tushie.
187	BEDIA Helios. Are you okay? I can look 187 at
188	HELIOS My? No-no. You are not looking 188 or touching. No spells down there either.
189	RAINBOW We need to talk about your diet. 189
190	HELIOS I think I contracted Mad Cow in 190 Hades.

191	AGGEE You weren't in Hades, Helios. Hades was a figment in your mind.	191
192	HELIOS Well, something aint rightmy guts be churning hot like the Tinderbox.	192
193	AGGEE Maybe it was something you ate.	193
194	HELIOS Probably that blood gruel. Cooky isn't exactly a Michelin star chef.	194
195	BEDIA You ate his gruel?	195
196	HELIOS Yeah, after the ordeal in Hades, I was famished.	196
	Rainbow can't believe what's she's hearing.	
197	RAINBOW  Oh my are you kidding? That gruel is fuel. Meant for his pet. Fluffy. A Cthulhuian horror offspring of Yog-soth.	197
198	AGGEE What's a Yog-soth?	198
199	BEDIA Cooky did allude to the crew getting gruel poisoning once.	199
200	HELIOS Cooky is bad cook.	200
201	RAINBOW Cooky isn't a cook at all, he's the ship's navigator. I thought you knew that.	201
	Everyone shakes their heads, learning for the first time	· •
202	RAINBOW (CONT'D) He's a telepath. He tells Fluffy when and how to move the ship.	202
203	HELIOS Makes sense why gruel taste so bad.	203

204	RAINBOW You should have requested my shark fin soup. It's a delicacy, going in and out.	204
205	BEDIA C'mon Helios. Use your nose next time. That hellish fume should have been warning enough. The bilge rats won't eat that shit.	205
	Dux moans and falls over. Bedia immediately leaps to his side checking vitals.	
206	BEDIA (CONT'D) He's worse than I thought. I need to go deep into my spells.	206
	Everyone gathers into a circle, quiet so that Bedia can wo	ork.
	The sorceress casts PRAYER OF HEALING. The long incantate powerful healing touch seeps into everyone over ten long minutes.	ion
	After the prayer service, EVERYONE is feeling better, ever	n
207	RAINBOW Dux going to be okay?	207
208	BEDIA It was close, but he will survive. We should leave him alone to rest.	208
	A WHILE LATER	
	Ariadne's Artisans sit casually around a large campfire, except Helios who	
	You know? Doing his business behind a nearby tree.	
	Rainbow has her nose in her journal writing.	
209	RAINBOW Helios, would you like me to bring you some aloe vera paste? It's soothing to the touch.	209
210	HELIOS Don't look at me. Go away!	210
211	AGGEE (to Dux) Are you sure we're heading in the right direction?	211

212	DUX You want to lead now, "Mr. I can find civilization."?	212
213	AGGEE Just saying, I feel like I've seen that tree before.	213
214	DUX You have seen it before, it's a Kapok tree. Western Somarria is smothered in them.	214
215	RAINBOW Still. I think we're going in circles.	215
216	DUX I already explained. I'm taking you the fastest route. And the fastest route between two locations is a straight line. Not a circle.	216
217	BEDIA A straight line is the shortest distance, not the fastest route.	217
218	DUX A straight line allows for maximum speed, compared to a journey on a curved path.	218
219	AGGEE Except if that straight line is blocked by shit trying to kill us.	219
Helios re	turns and sits.	
220	HELIOS We should follow a crow.	220
221	<pre>(off perplexed looks) Crows always fly in straight line, my Pa-pa said.</pre>	221
222	RAINBOW I prefer to beeline fast and true.	222
223	DUX Straight or curved, I doubt the gods of Ife want you here.	223

A coconut hits Aggee in the head.

224	RAINBOW But the Anumians do.	224
225	AGGEE (shaking fist to the sky) Who wins in a fight between a god and an anumian?	225
226	RAINBOW  Depends upon which god and which anumian, I suppose.	226
227	BEDIA It's impossible to say. They are powerful entities from two different ages. The anumians from the Age of Magic. Gods, obviously	227
228	DUX The Age of Gods.	228
	Bedia nods respectfully at the Guide.	
229	AGGEE What is an age?	229
230	BEDIA I'm going to sleep.	230
	FADE TO SLEEP erm BLACK.	
231	AGGEE (O.S.) Yeah, but, which one is more powerful?	231
	EXT. THE NEXT MORNING - ESTABLISHING	
	The sky is visible over the clearing where the travelers rested for the night. The trees have graciously parted give theme a reprieve from the cold and darkness.	
	ON THE TRAIL	
	Glorious light and warmth bathe the trail.	
232	AGGEE (CONT'D) I'm fully invigorated. Reinvigorated even.	232
	Indeed. Everyone is feeling chipper as they attack the morning with zest and zeal.	

It's a glorious day in the legion.

233	DUX A day in the Legion is like a day on the farm. Every meal's a banquet! Ever paycheck a fortune! Every formation a parade! I LOVE the legion.	233
	DUX DISAPPEARS	
	INTO A MIGHTY SINK HOLE, that opened up beneath him like tiger trap.	a
	RAINBOW BEELINES fast and true, grabs his arm	
	Dux' momentum pulls the dainty halfling over and down.	
234	RAINBOW Help.	234
	Helios massive mitts grab Rainbow and yanks him over too	•
235	AGGEE/BEDIA Helios.	235
	Aggee and Bedia grab the minotaur as his hooves go over.	
	Bedia casts an ICE SPELL, cementing she and Aggee to the ground as anchor points.	
	The sudden plunge STOPS.	
	The five dangle in a long daisy chain over a gaping pit.	
236	RAINBOW Pull us up. Pull us up.	236
237	AGGEE We're trying.	237
238	HELIOS They are willy heavy.	238
239	BEDIA It's a gravity wellwe're all heavier.	239
240	AGGEE Helios, we really need to talk about your diet.	240
241	HELIOS  Is this a bad time? I need to go.	241

242	AGGEE Go? No	242
243	BEDIA Hold it, Helios.	243
244	RAINBOW You can moo, just don't poo.	244
245	HELIOS Wind is coming. It's gonna it's gonna	245
	Helios let's loose gale force flatulence.	
246	AGGEE Ohhh, Helios.	246
247	HELIOS Bwahahaha. He who smelt it, delt it.	247
	Bedia thinks.	
248	BEDIA (sotto) Wind. Huh. Maybe?	248
249	AGGEE Bedia. The ice is melting.	249
250	BEDIA I have an idea. I've been experimenting on a new class of quasi-elemental spells. Combining the power of pure elements with matter and solid energy.	250
251	RAINBOW Don't explain, just do it.	251
	FIRE. ICE and WATER explode into the sink hole. The botto of the pit turns into a Pan-Erindi Tongdao maelstrom.	om
	HOT AIR and turbulent WIND EXPLODES UP	
	PUSHING.	
252	RAINBOW (CONT'D) Wheeee	252
253	BEDIA Quick. Climb.	253

Dux scrambles up first, the rushing wind pushing at his back.

Rainbow follows scampering like a nimble squirrel.

Together, all four retract Helios...

254	HELIOS  Damn Ranger boy, that first step is a doozy.	254
255	AGGEE It's a god size latrine.	255
	A coconut hits Aggee on the head.	
256	AGGEE (CONT'D) Owe! Who keeps doing that?	256
	Dux points into the hole smiling.	
257	DUX This is good news.	257
258	RAINBOW How is this good news?	258
259	BEDIA My quasi-elemental spell worked.	259
260	DUX The people of Ife surrounded the city with many such defensive pits.	260
	Dux skirts the pit.	
261	DUX (CONT'D) Follow me and do be careful.	261
262	HELIOS Do I have time to poo?	262
263	EVERYONE <u>NO</u> !	263

Dux takes off at an accelerated pace.

He exits the jungle onto a barely there paved cobblestone road covered in centuries old growth.

The road as a crow flies heads directly south onto an elevated causeway over a river.

DUX STOPS.

264	DUX Welcome to Ife.	264
	The camera lifts, extreme wide angle on a vast Targonian ruined city built over lakes, rivers and waterways. The once the jewel of Somarria is green with overgrown vegetation.	city
265	DUX (CONT'D) Divine is the peace.	265
	A TITANIC ROAR BREAKS THE PEACE.	
	FADE TO BLACK	:
266	AGGEE (O.S.) What was that?	266
267	HELIOS That scared the shit out of me.	267
268	DUX The world reverberated with such calls when Emperor Kordaava died. That's your guardian beast.	268
269	HELIOS Ahhhh I think I'm feeling better.	269