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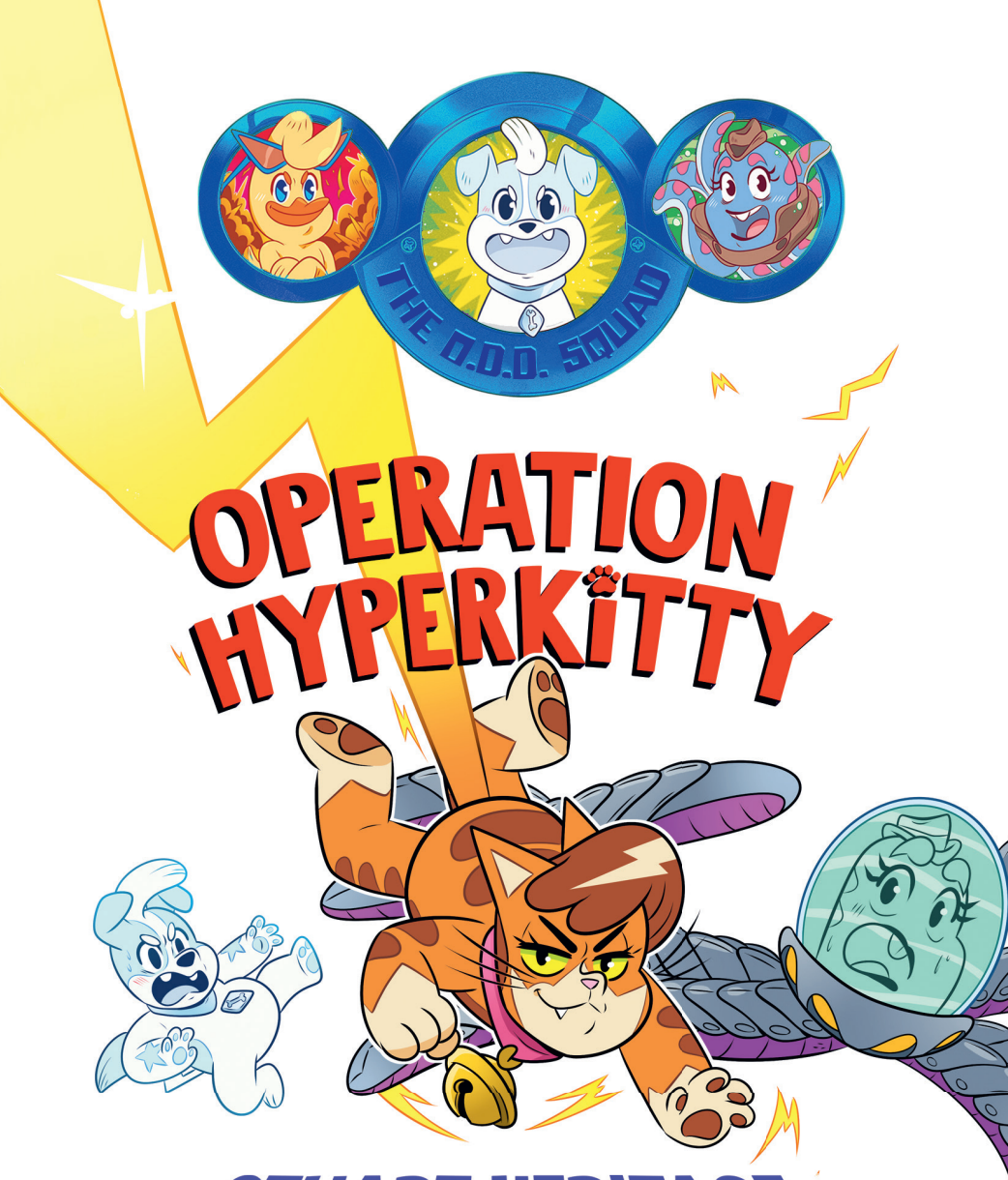
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To Herbie and Ned



MEET THE GANG



INVISIDOG: Brave and invisible, Invisidog is the youngest member of the O.D.D. Squad. He also isn't very fond of cats. I am telling you this for no reason whatsoever.



DETECTIVE OCTOPUS:

The world's smartest crimefighter, Detective Octopus travels across dry land in a special water-filled robotic suit. The suit also has a laser pointer fitted to it. I am telling you this for no reason whatsoever.

QUACK ATTACK:



A tiny, motorbike-riding duckling who defeats baddies with his powerful sonic quack, Quack Attack is basically the same size as a pot plant. I am telling you this for no reason whatsoever.



MAYOR FLURT:

The mayor of Justice City, Mayor Flurt is vain and self-obsessed. Luckily, he has just hired a new deputy mayor who definitely won't be any trouble at all.

DOCTOR DAMP:

A crazed, evil supervillain who dresses like a doctor and is also a bit wet all the time.

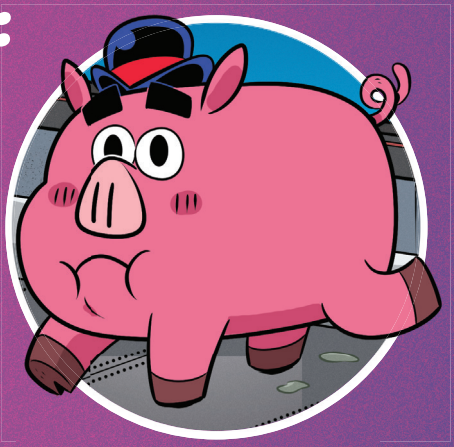


TREMBLE BEFORE DOCTOR DAMP!

PIG IN A HAT:

A regular pig in a normal hat.

TREMBLE BEFORE A REGULAR PIG IN A NORMAL HAT!

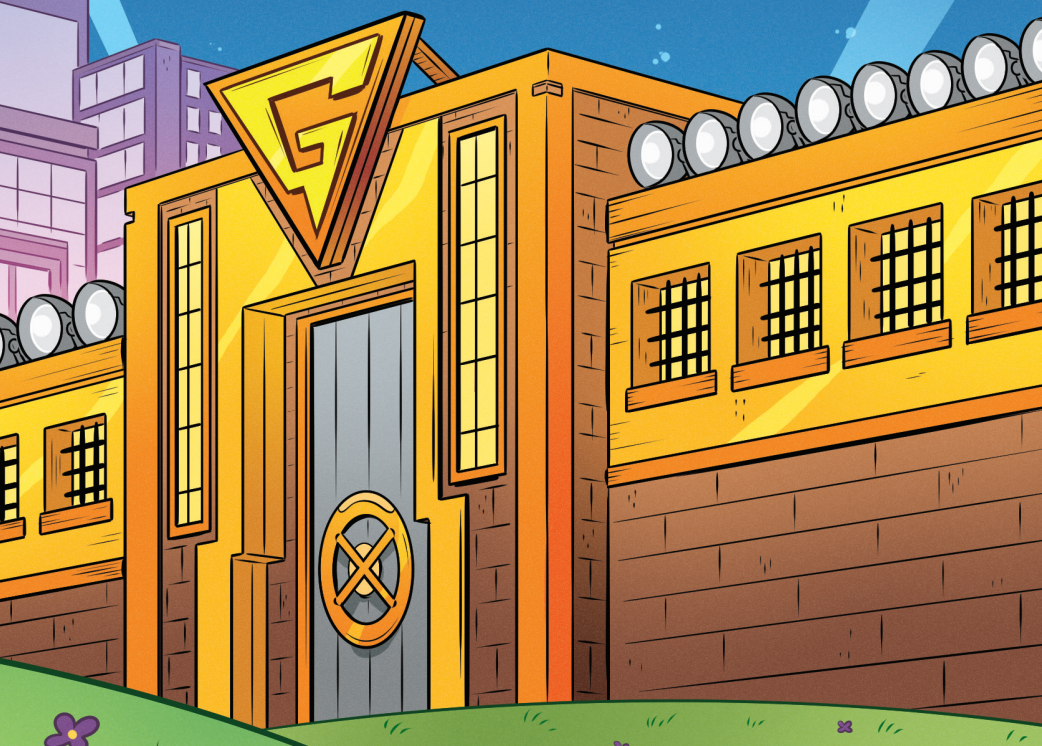


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Night-time in Justice City. The streets were soggy . . . with **CRIME**.



Why was it soggy? Why was it crime-y? I'm glad you asked. It was because of the awful and vicious **DOCTOR DAMP**, who was standing outside the Justice City Gold Reserve in his usual supervillain costume of a slightly wet white coat. Doctor Damp had bandaged up the security cameras. He had knocked out all the guard dogs with sleeping pills. And now, like all true supervillains, he was holding a **DAMP** stethoscope to the wall of the reserve and listening with evil intent.



'Just as I suspected!' cried Doctor Damp. 'This building has come down with a nasty case of GOLD! I recommend an urgent prescription of

BLOWING IT UP!"



With that, Doctor Damp pulled a giant wet stick of dynamite out of his trousers. 'Take one of these and call me in the morning if you remain **UNEXPLODED!**' he cackled uproariously to himself.

But little did he know that his days were numbered. On top of a skyscraper across the street, Doctor Damp's every move was being monitored by none other than the O.D.D. Squad. In the past, the O.D.D. Squad

had stopped Captain Bad from blowing up the Earth,



Captain Worse from blowing up the sun

and Aunty Enchanty from taking over the city with a giant duck. Compared to fearsome baddies like this, defeating Doctor Damp would be no problem at all.

'Really?' Quack Attack sighed as he watched **DOCTOR DAMP** through a

tiny pair of binoculars. 'This has to be the most rubbish supervillain we've faced so far.'

'He can't be that bad,' pointed out Detective Octopus, a pair of magnifying goggles strapped over her Roboctopus suit. 'After all, he is trying to steal all the city's gold.'

'I know, but look at him,' replied Quack Attack. 'His whole gimmick is dressing up like a **SOGGY DOCTOR**. How does that help him commit any crimes? It doesn't make sense.'

'Well, he'll have plenty of time to dry off in jail,' replied Detective Octopus. 'Now, let's go over the plan one more time.'

Invisidog excitedly hopped up on to a ledge. 'OK!' he declared. 'First, I sneak down and make sure the coast is clear. Then, once I give the signal, Detective Octopus will fly in and distract him. That's when Quack

Attack will use the element of surprise to blast Doctor Damp high into the air. And then Hyperkitty …'

Invisidog looked around, confused. ***'Hyperkitty?'*** he called. 'Oh, for heaven's sake. Not this again. Hyperkitty! Where are you?'

Detective Octopus nudged Invisidog with a tentacle and motioned over to a far corner, where a bored-looking ginger kitten was busy texting on her smartphone.



'Whose idea was it for us to hire a stupid cat, anyway?' muttered Invisidog, before calling, '***Hey, HYPERKITTY!***'

Hyperkitty looked up, annoyed at the interruption. 'I'm busy,' she replied, rolling her eyes.

'We're discussing how to defeat Doctor Damp!' explained Invisidog. 'You need to pay attention.'



'It's just like we practised in training,' added Detective Octopus. 'Quack Attack is going to quack Doctor Damp high into the air, and that's when you'll run, jump, grab him and transport him safely to **JAGGEDY ISLAND JAIL**. Got it?'

'Whatever,' murmured Hyperkitty, without taking her eyes off her phone.

'I don't think she's got it,' whispered Invisidog.

'Of course she's got it!' Quack Attack smiled. '**O.D.D. Squad! Let's move out!**'