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## Podcast Transcript

### Episode 177: Rivals to Allies

One of the coolest moments in a story is when a cool hero and a badass villain have to end up teaming up! It's happened more than you'd imagine and we're gonna get into that topic in this one.

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Diego: Welcome to Geekology 101.

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Diego: My name is Diego.

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Joshua: And my name is Joshua.

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Diego: And Joshua's cheek is on fire from this Mac I gave him a few minutes ago.

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Joshua: It is.

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Diego: It hurts.

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Diego: But it was necessary for the sake of really like embodying this episode.

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Joshua: I mean, I guess.

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Diego: Getting into the spirit of it.

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Diego: Yeah, I would do it all over again.

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Diego: Many times over and over.

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Joshua: Oh wow.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: So, yeah, so today's episode is all about the story trope of going from rivals to allies.

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Diego: It's something that is pretty commonly used, I think, in different story types.

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Diego: I gotta be honest, man, this is personally, I think, one of my favorite story tropes out there.

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Joshua: I think it definitely is a good one.

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Diego: Why?

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Joshua: I feel like it can show how important like little things in a story are.

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Joshua: Like, because little things along the like pathway of a story along the plot can impact like two characters' perception of each other.

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Diego: That's true.

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Diego: Wait, you mean that little things could have taken them to the rivalry or that little things would take them from rivals to allies?

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Diego: Yeah, like an example of that, of something small, like being the thing that kind of takes two rivals to becoming allies?

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Joshua: I do.

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Joshua: In the example of Naruto and Gaara from the very small, not really mainstream anime called Naruto, in that very small show, those two characters, like say, for example, like the Chunin exams, those, the Chunin exams kind of, well, that's how they-

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Diego: The Chunin exams, is that like when they have to like tune a guitar?

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Joshua: No, Chunin.

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Diego: Is it a piano?

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Joshua: Chunin.

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Diego: Right, tuning, yeah.

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Joshua: Chunin exams.

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Diego: It still sounds like tuning to me for whatever.

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Diego: Sure, whatever you say, go ahead, keep going.

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Joshua: Okay, so in the Chunin, well, I mean, that's where they met, but also it's where they like gained respect for each other.

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Joshua: And having like just moderate respect for each other can like go a long way from-

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Joshua: Like, if you're somebody's rival, and then they do something and you're like, hmm, that's actually something that I respect.

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Joshua: That's something that that's a decision that I would have made or a decision that I agree with.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: Small things like that can go from being rivals to being allies.

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Diego: Yeah, I can see that.

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Diego: Were these two guys like in the same clan?

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Joshua: No, they were from-

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Joshua: Gara was from the Sand Village, Nartro was from the Leaf Village, and the Chuning Exams, they come to the Leaf Village to move up to the next rank.

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Diego: But in that setup, even though they're from different villages, are they all part of one same alliance overall or no?

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Diego: They're not rival villages.

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Joshua: No, they're not rival villages.

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Diego: Okay.

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Diego: So it ends up being kind of like a similar scenario to My Hero Academia then.

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Joshua: Yeah, definitely.

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Diego: Yeah, where it's like all part of one allied organization in the form of UA, but there's rivalries between the classes and stuff like that.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: And that is like a very interesting setup because I feel like there's an overarching, I don't know what to call it, like an ideal or a mission.

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Diego: Like there's an overarching mission that the characters have in common already.

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Diego: And you can kind of expect that that overarching mission is going to eventually bring them together, or could bring them together.

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Diego: I feel like it's easier for those kind of characters to end up coming together, like Deku and Bakugo, or Endeavor and All Might, right?

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Diego: Even though like the rivalry there was mostly on the side of Endeavor, like you can see that when it was Endeavor's time to step up as a hero, like the dude might be very competitive against All Might, but he believes in the hero cause ultimately.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: You know?

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Diego: And you could tell by the level of sacrifice that he's put forth, like trying to defend Japan.

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Diego: So there is like, there are some stories that are like that, but then there are some stories where like there is no overarching ideal.

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Diego: Or idea or goal or mission.

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Diego: Actually, another good example of that, like a common mission to me was from Super Campeones, Captain Subasa.

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Diego: Oh.

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Diego: Yes.

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Diego: Which I already sang the theme song, I'm not going to grace you guys ears once again, singing that theme song in Spanish.

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Diego: But that is one where it's really interesting because like, you know, it's a setup of basically like elementary school soccer teams.

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Diego: And so of course, soccer team versus soccer team, like they have the same goal.

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Diego: What?

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Diego: Like the same mission, which is to like, I feel like what unites them in that case is the love of the sport.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: Like they're all passionate as heck about the sport, and like that drives them to that rivalry, you know?

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Diego: But then the cool thing is when like they progress, and they get into like middle school and they get into high school, by the time I think they get around high school, that's when they enter like a new league.

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Joshua: That's when Oliver Atom really starts to bond with.

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Diego: Yes.

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Diego: No, but seriously, that's when they all like actually come together.

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Diego: And it's almost like a league that where it's like their city now puts together the best team, and they have to compete against other cities or something like that.

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Joshua: Oh, so when they get to those higher levels, the best players from the different teams, even if they won against each other before, are put into one team?

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: Oh.

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Diego: It's badass, man.

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Diego: It's basically like a dream team.

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Diego: It really is.

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Diego: If you watch that anime the entire time, that moment for me was mind-blowing.

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Diego: It was incredible, because every team had their star players, whether it was the goalie, or the forward, or the defense, whatever.

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Diego: There was somebody who was the star of each team, kind of like basketball teams in the NBA.

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Diego: And then imagine suddenly all of them coming together.

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Diego: It actually is exactly like the dream team.

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Diego: The dream team is very much a real life.

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Diego: I'm talking about the dream team in 1992 in the Olympics in basketball.

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Diego: That team coming together, it was quite literally like rivals becoming allies against teams from the rest of the world.

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Diego: And it was mind-blowing what they did.

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Diego: I mean, just watch a YouTube highlight reel of the best plays from the 1992 US basketball team.

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Diego: And it's like, my God, it's incredible.

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Diego: Like, they completely clowned every other country in the world because all the stars were coming together.

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Diego: So it's a very similar scenario to what happened in Captain Tsubasa.

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Diego: And that moment to me was like, like, it's hard to believe that that could happen because you spent so much time seeing these people as rivals, you know?

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Diego: And I don't know what it is, man, but like, I really...

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Diego: That does it for me.

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Diego: Like, that's something that just satisfies me in a huge, huge way because it makes it so that, like, whenever I start watching a new show or a movie or an anime or whatever, like, I'm immediately starting to think, like, oh, man, imagine if these two, like, ended up, you know, teaming up at some point.

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Joshua: Something that's, like, kind of like that is with...

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Joshua: Like, every time that Goku and Vegeta are...

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Joshua: They're, like, both facing the same threat, there's always going to be that awesome moment where it's either, like, they fuse or they, like, fire off their most powerful attack at the same time.

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Joshua: And it's just, like, the most awesome moment in the whole, like, season.

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Joshua: And it's just so cool.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: That, you know, actually, I didn't even think about this when I was preparing for this episode, but the fact that you mentioned the fusion, like, fusion is, like, the most literal example of this, right?

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Diego: Between, at least between, between Vegeta and Goku, like, the fact that they're, like, literally becoming one other being.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: That's, that's a really cool example of that, actually.

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Diego: And Dragon Ball, I think, has, like, tons of examples of this, because it's not only Goku and Vegeta.

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Diego: That's probably the most common one, like, the one that comes to mind immediately.

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Diego: But take it back.

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Diego: We already mentioned the androids being kind of, like, arrivals to allies with the Z warriors.

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Diego: But take it back to, like, Dragon Ball.

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Diego: Piccolo was the main enemy of Goku, you know, when he was a kid.

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Diego: And King Piccolo, and then he ended up becoming one of his main allies, you know?

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Diego: Like, the dude is literally babysitting his granddaughter, you know what I mean?

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Diego: Like, how much trustworthy could you become?

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Diego: And then there's other examples, too, like Yamcha, for example.

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Diego: Yamcha was an enemy for Goku back in Dragon Ball.

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Diego: He was, like, competing against them.

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Joshua: Oh, yeah, I remember you, like, told me about...

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Diego: And same thing with Tien.

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Diego: Tien was, like, a big rival.

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Diego: I think it was, like, during a martial arts tournament or something like that.

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Diego: And when he showed up, Tien, the dude with the third eye...

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Diego: Like, he was a dangerous rival for Goku.

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Diego: It was because he had, like, powers and abilities that he never had before.

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Joshua: And now he's, like, the least powerful kid.

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Diego: Dang, that's messed up.

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Diego: What are you talking about, bro?

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Diego: The world Tien comes through...

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Diego: Sometimes.

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Diego: I feel like the last time that I really felt Tien come through was during the Cell Saga, I think.

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Diego: But anyway...

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Joshua: That's crazy.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: Granted.

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Diego: Yeah, it is a while back.

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Diego: But no, there is, like...

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Diego: I feel...

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Diego: And then that's all due to, like, Goku himself.

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Diego: I feel like Goku has this thing where he's, like, the Dom Toretto of anime.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: He just turns all his rivals into allies, you know, and they become family.

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Diego: Goku should, you know, become family.

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Diego: Sorry, Chanchamel.

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Joshua: That impresses me.

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Diego: I totally wrecked your voice.

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Diego: But yeah, Dragon Ball is a really good example.

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Diego: I think Dragon Ball is, like, an amalgamation of scenarios like that where just rivals keep on becoming allies.

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Diego: The same thing happened with Beerus, right?

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Diego: Came to destroy the world, ends up eating sushi and whatever else with the Z warriors and becoming Goku's trainer and his friend, basically, almost sort of quasi.

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Diego: But yeah, that keeps on happening in Dragon Ball.

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Diego: I guess it's like, I don't know, do you think that gets tiring after a while?

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Joshua: Honestly, I feel like, obviously, the, well, I mean, obviously, the plot of Dragon Ball, honestly, Dragon Ball doesn't really have like any more.

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Joshua: It doesn't really have like a main objective.

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Joshua: Like, there's, there's the, there's obviously the main story, which just like keeps on going.

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Joshua: But the main objective and like the Dragon Balls, because it's like not really relevant anymore, like Bulma can find all of them in like two seconds.

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Joshua: I know, yeah, that's so weird because that's not really relevant anymore.

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Diego: The collection of the Dragon Balls really is an afterthought at this point.

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Diego: I feel like, you know, we know what we need to do.

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Diego: Let's gather the Dragon Balls two seconds later.

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Diego: Right guys, summon Shenron.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Joshua: Yeah, that's weird.

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Joshua: I feel like the point of Dragon Ball is really just like adding more unique characters to the lineup at this point.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: Which isn't bad.

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Joshua: Like, I like that.

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Joshua: But I feel like that's kind of the point of Dragon Ball is like finding new enemies.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: And then either defeating them or adding them to like the friend list.

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Diego: Who's the last person that they actually defeated that like remained a villain and they had to like kill?

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Diego: Brawly ended up becoming an ally.

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Diego: Cell ended up becoming, no, I'm sorry, not Cell, the Frieza ended up becoming an ally.

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Diego: Like Frieza, the guy who destroyed planet Vegeta ended up becoming a freaking ally, man.

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Diego: That's insane.

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Diego: So I don't know, it really does seem like that's just like Dragon Ball's whole identity.

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Joshua: It's the rivals to allies.

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Joshua: The point of Dragon Ball is basically rivals to allies.

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Diego: Pretty much.

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Diego: Which when you think about it, it's kind of like a nice innocent theme in a way.

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Diego: It's nice.

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Diego: Fine, whatever.

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Diego: And it delivers a good action along the way.

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Diego: I do feel like Dragon Ball GT did a better job in not doing that.

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Diego: Because everything that I think back, when Baby showed up and possessed Vegeta's body, they just needed to defeat Baby.

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Diego: They needed to get rid of him, and they did.

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Diego: And then when Omega Shenron showed up, they needed to kill him.

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Diego: There was no sense of this dude is going to become our buddy one day.

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Diego: Not at all.

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Diego: But then as soon as they discarded GT and went back to...

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Joshua: Super or Z?



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Diego: Yeah, went back to continuing Z.

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Diego: No, to continuing Super.

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Joshua: Well, wasn't GT in between Z and Super?

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Diego: GT was after Z.

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Diego: Yeah, so it was Super.

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Diego: Super is when he continued it.

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Diego: But anyway, all right, enough about Dragon Ball.

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Diego: Where else do we see this?

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Diego: And what other kind of scenarios do we see of rivals to allies?

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Diego: Because we already talked about the ones that have a common goal.

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Diego: Then we've talked about the Dom Toretto rivals to family kind of scenario.

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Diego: Goku does that, etc.

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Diego: Then there's some instances where the Alliance really is only about survival.

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Joshua: I think something like that is kind of in Godzilla and Kong.

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Joshua: Like in the first Godzilla vs Kong, at first, they have to deal with the same thing.

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Joshua: Because they're both kaiju, like everybody looks at them with the same monster identity.

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Joshua: And then when it was with Mechagodzilla, it was like really just to survive.

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Joshua: They just had to fight them for both of them for their own common good.

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Joshua: And then in the new movie, what it looks like at least, they're gonna have to team up by choice.

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Joshua: Which I feel like that's kind of cool that it shows that they can trust each other now.

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Joshua: I guess.

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Joshua: Because like, like, do you know, you know what I mean?

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Joshua: Like no, I know what you're saying, because they're teaming up on purpose.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: No, I know what you're saying.

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Diego: I just, I'm still trying to make my mind up about how I feel about that.

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Diego: Like in the new trailer, when I saw, and we're talking about Godzilla X Kong, the new empire, there's like, I don't know, it was like a couple of scenes that it looks like Godzilla and Kong are basically Avengers, just like rushing to battle, like those, you know what I'm saying?

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Diego: Like those trailer scenes.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: Where it, I don't know, I just don't know how I feel about it, man, like, I thought that it was cool up to the point where they had to unite against the threat of Mechagodzilla.

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Diego: I think that was a cool reason for them, a good enough reason for them to ally.

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Diego: But, like, it's not like Goku and Vegeta, who can sit down and have a conversation.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: And reason, like, Kong isn't having tea with Zilla and like, you know, talking things out.

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Diego: That's not happening.

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Diego: So what's left is like two creatures that yes, they're intelligent, but they're also, you know, animalistic.

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Diego: And instinctively, like, the monster verse established that within, like, their DNA memory, they have the rivalry instilled in themselves between their two species.

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Diego: So that's where, to me, like, I start getting into, like, a conflict.

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Diego: I don't know how I feel about them being, like, just buddy cop comedy type thing now.

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Joshua: Well, I think another example of that is kind of in a different way than maybe you would think.

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Joshua: But another example is Deku and Bakugo, where obviously you have...

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Joshua: Well, this isn't really spoilers.

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Joshua: Obviously, you have All for One who is, like, trying to get the one quirk that you could never get, One for All.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: And he's trying to get it from Deku.

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Diego: Right.

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Joshua: And because Bakugo knows about everything, like All Might and Deku told him and everything, he has to now work with Deku and All Might because he's also basically in danger because he knows, but, like, he is one of the only people that knows.

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Joshua: And that puts him in danger because they're going for Deku and anybody who has information on him could be at danger.

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Diego: Yeah, that's actually a really interesting rivalry there and a really interesting alliance because I almost feel like Bakugo, it's not about Deku for him, it's about the responsibility that Deku inherited.

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Diego: Have you noticed that?

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Diego: He kind of allied himself with Deku because, and at first, he was ticked off at the fact that he inherited All Might's power when he found that out.

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Diego: But then after some time, you could tell that he kind of reasoned out or at least felt out the fact that, okay, this is the reality, this dude who was a nerd to me, who I've hated my whole life, he has his responsibility.

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Diego: And since Bakugo, deep down inside, he really does believe in the hero agenda, and you can tell he had a chance to turn evil and didn't.

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Diego: And it's almost like if he's allying himself with Deku because he feels like he's such a nerd that he's not going to be able to live up to the legacy, and he's helping them make sure that he stays true to All Might's legacy in a way.

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Diego: Like, that's how I kind of process it.

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Diego: Because you can tell that Bakugo, like, deep down inside, all he really wants is to overpower him and surpass him, even after knowing that he had All Might's power.

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Diego: Which is not to dissimilar, I guess, from Goku and Vegeta.

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Diego: You know?

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Diego: Like, Vegeta, doesn't matter how much time passes, Vegeta's ultimate goal is always and will always be, I need to beat this guy fair and square one day.

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Joshua: And every single time that he surpasses Goku in power, it's just immediately passed up.

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Joshua: And I can see why Vegeta is mad.

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Joshua: Because when he finally gets a solid point of like, oh, this is a point where Kakarot will never be able to surpass me.

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Joshua: And then he goes up 90 trillion power levels.

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Diego: And I do think that it was very smart what they did eventually within Dragon Ball, where they've now gone, they stopped going up in a linear way, Super Saiyan 1, Super Saiyan 2, 3, etc.

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Diego: Like now, they're going off in tangents.

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Diego: So it's not about like, can Vegeta get to Super Saiyan, whatever that Goku already got to.

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Diego: No, it's like they reach a certain level, and then from there, Goku went Ultra Instinct.

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Diego: And Vegeta went, what is it?

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Joshua: Ultra Ego.

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Diego: And then Piccolo went, what are you calling it?

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Joshua: Ultra Piccolo, I don't know.

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Diego: Orange Piccolo?

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Diego: He turned orange.

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Joshua: He did.

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Diego: Gohan went that other thing, remember?

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Joshua: Yeah, I don't know, Ultimate Gohan.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: So they've all gone in now tangential directions, and it's no longer about who's going to get to the next level first.

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Joshua: Get to the next specific, get to the next point on the pathway.

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Diego: Yeah, and I think that's kind of cool because at that point, you're kind of competing against yourself, right?

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Diego: It's like, when am I going to surpass my next level?

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Diego: Instead of like, when am I going to reach a level that this other person already reached?

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: That sort of thing.

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Diego: Speaking back to about Bakugo and Deku, and actually Goku and Vegeta, it reminds me a lot of the rivalry between Rocky and Apollo Creed, because Rocky and Apollo Creed started off as rivals.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: And then, eventually, Rocky got good enough that he was able to beat Apollo Creed, and then came a bigger threat in the form of...

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Diego: What's this dude's name?

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Joshua: Ivan Jago?

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Joshua: Or...

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Diego: No, no.

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Diego: Oh my god, I'm going to forget his name.

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Diego: Anyway, his character, right?

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Diego: Who was a bigger threat, you know, the biggest threat that he had faced up to that point, and then Apollo comes in and he becomes his trainer.

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Diego: That kind of reminds me of Bakugo with Deku, you know, where it's like, you know, you fool, you're about to lose everything you've gained.

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Diego: Let me help you maintain that, you know?

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Diego: And it's for the respect of the game, for the love of the game, you know?

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Diego: And...

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Diego: But it never takes away the rivalry, because even after all that, after he trained them and after they hugged in the beach, all sweaty and whatever, in that training montage in the beach, in the beach, at the end of that movie, they were having that secret fight, right?

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Diego: Because it was still about their rivalry, even with no audience, no title on the line, it was about that rivalry.

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Diego: So like, that reminds me of that, of like Apollo Creed and Rocky.

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Diego: There's like an alliance for the love of the sport, but the rivalry was never gonna go away.

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Diego: That's what I think.

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Diego: What other examples do you have?

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Diego: Like, can you spot any different categories?

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Joshua: I think with Sasuke and Naruto, they went like multiple times.

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Joshua: They went from enemies to allies to enemies to allies.

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Joshua: Like in the beginning, like in the beginning, beginning of the show.

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Joshua: Like when they were in the same like school and everything, they just didn't like each other.

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Joshua: They just had like a small like childish dish like this, like this.

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Joshua: What's the word?

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Joshua: Like they just didn't like each other in like a kind of childish way.

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Joshua: They were like childishly enemies.

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Joshua: And then they were allies under under team seven under Kakashi's team, and they were working together in missions.

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Joshua: And then Orochimaru, the main villain, or I guess of the first show, he kind of abducts Sasuke and then Sasuke like the whole point of the show, basically from then to like, like Shippuden, like the middle of Shippuden or something towards the end is like recovering Sasuke, basically.

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Joshua: And then when they finally do-

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Diego: Recovering Sasuke, this is a female, right?

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Joshua: No.

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Diego: Oh, whoops.

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Diego: Recovering Sasuke because he had gotten-

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Joshua: Because he had gotten abducted and he had kind of like started to become-

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Joshua: He had started to agree, kind of, with the enemies.

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Joshua: And then after everything that had happened, after all the like war and everything, at the end of the war, the last thing that they did, Naruto and Sasuke, was fight it out alone in this like secluded area, this like big waterfall area.

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Joshua: That's all they did because they wanted to settle their rivalry.

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Joshua: And they literally fought for like hours until they passed out on like trading punches, like and then like trading like sloppy, slow, tired punches.

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Joshua: And then they passed out.

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Joshua: And then the last attack was they both did their big like Kamehameha type attack at each other.

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Joshua: And then the last shot of the episode is just them laying on their back with both of their arms, like gone, and it's like their rivalry was like the main, pretty much main point of all of the first show and like half of the second show.

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Joshua: Which is kind of awesome.

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Diego: That's pretty cool.

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Diego: I love it when the rivalries get to that degree.

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Diego: Like when they reach a stalemate, yeah, and to the point where like neither one could go any further.

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Diego: I forget, there's like a really vivid image in my head and I can't remember what characters it is from what show or movie or whatever, but like there's a thing when it's like where both of them got to that point, that complete exhaustion can't do anything more.

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Diego: I think maybe it was like Saint Seiya, Pegasus and Dragon, I think got to a similar point.

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Diego: Anyway, but so moving away from these kind of examples, there is one type of rivalry turned to allies scenario that I think is also pretty common in this, like for the sake of survival, right?

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Diego: Where you have like a big threat that is coming.

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Diego: And even if the two allies, if the two rivals have like zero intention of allying with each other, because this massive threat is on its way, like they have to team up for survival or else like they're all going to be gone, you know?

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Diego: So, I think of things like the comic book series, Deceased, where by the end of it, so many heroes and villains had died that it was like a no-brainer that all the heroes and villains that were left were going to team up.

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Diego: And they did, like all of them teamed up.

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Diego: Like crazy stuff like Darkseid and Superman and the Kryptonians were on the same side, you know, type thing.

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Diego: And that kind of scenario is cool because it leaves a huge question mark for after the threat is defeated, you know, like, what's actually going to happen?

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Diego: Like, are we really friends?

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Diego: Or if once the status quo returns and the big threat is gone, do we immediately go back to rivals?

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Diego: Or because we were forced to team up, are we left with like a sense of respect for each other and it's almost like a truce?

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Diego: You know, we're not rivals, but there's a peace.

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Diego: Do you have any other examples?

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Diego: Do you have any examples like that?

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Joshua: I think I do.

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Joshua: And it's also from Naruto.

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Joshua: In the great ninja war that we, the only one we see in the show really, this character Obito, who seems like he's the next big threat after this other character.

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Joshua: He's the main villain that everyone's trying to fight.

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Joshua: And then all of a sudden, a bigger threat emerges, like a godly threat.

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Joshua: And then everybody who was just fighting him in the war, literally everybody, he's forced to team up with them to fight the other threat, because he knows that if everybody doesn't team up, including all the strongest players from every team, that they're all going to die basically.

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Joshua: And I think that kind of enemies to allies, even just the short term enemies to allies, is still cool because it shows that under the certain amount of stress or whatever, they'll be forced to have a mutual respect for each other.

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Diego: Yeah, because it shows that you recognize how formidable your opponent is, right?

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Diego: Where you know that here's this threat coming, the only way that I can defeat this is with somebody that is equally good as me.

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Joshua: Like even if they're somebody that I've been like fighting for all this time.

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Diego: Yeah, yeah, for sure.

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Diego: And then that was like, let me see for my examples.

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Diego: I've got Daredevil and Punisher from the Netflix series from the Netflix Marvel universe.

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Diego: I think that was a really cool example of that because Frank Castle, the Punisher and Matt Murdock, Daredevil, they have very different philosophies.

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Diego: They're both vigilantes, but the way that they approach vigilantism is completely different.

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Diego: There's no comparison.

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Diego: Punisher is ready to kill anybody who he deems a threat to safety and security.

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Diego: Whereas Daredevil is going to put them down, but send them to jail.

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Diego: So kind of like a Batman Red Hood type thing, but honestly Punisher is much more extreme than Red Hood.

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Diego: And then during the events of that show, they were forced to team up.

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Diego: Not forced, they teamed up after like a lot of battling each other.

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Diego: And no, it wasn't even a team up.

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Diego: It was that Daredevil was getting his butt handed to him by the hand.

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Diego: And right in his lowest moment, suddenly Frank Castle started sniping dudes from like all tower far away.

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Diego: And he knew that Daredevil could hear him because Daredevil has like the supersonic hearing thing.

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Diego: And so after he finished like sniping dudes to give him back the advantage, he just like whispered.

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Diego: He was like, you know, see you around, Red.

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Diego: And then walked away.

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Diego: And that was it.

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Joshua: Is his hearing that good?

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Diego: Absolutely.

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Diego: Like a bat.

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Diego: Oh, and that's an interesting one, because like, there are characters who philosophically cannot become allies.

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Diego: But there's still a respect for them.

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Diego: It's like the whole Magneto and Professor X thing.

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Diego: Yeah, like there is a kinship there, because they understand that like, ultimately, they both in the case of Magneto and Professor X, like, they're both all about mutants, you know, like, they want survival of the mutant species just in very different drastically different ways.

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Diego: Like, you know, Professor X is like, I want mutants to survive and thrive, therefore, I want to find ways for them to be integrated into humanity, into the world and respected and accepted.

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Diego: And then Magneto is like, I want only kids like my way of getting mutants to being safe is by eliminating anybody who isn't a mutant.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: So, but ultimately, it's all for the love of their people, right?

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Diego: And so philosophically, they're never going to be able to like truly be allies.

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Diego: But there are moments when they team up because the threat demands it.

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Joshua: You think like a situation like Iron Man and Cap in Endgame is like that?

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Joshua: Because like in Civil War, obviously, their philosophies were really different.

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Joshua: Like Cap didn't want to.

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Joshua: That's the whole reason everything happened.

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Joshua: Yeah, like Cap didn't want to like abide with the government.

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Joshua: And Tony's whole side was like, well, there would be some like bonuses if we do this and stuff.

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Joshua: And then in Endgame, they all came together.

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Joshua: Everybody who was on different sides, even if like somebody died or something like that.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: They all came together because of respect for each other.

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Diego: More importantly, though, they came together after they didn't come together.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: Remember Iron Man's whole like, when he was rescued by Captain Marvel from outer space, his whole spiel to Steve Rogers is like, you told me remember when Steve sent him like that flip phone, and he was like, the Avengers are yours.

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Diego: If you ever need me, I'll be there.

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Diego: Call me.

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Diego: And he wasn't there, like, granted, he was fighting a separate battle, right?

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Diego: And Tony didn't really know that.

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Diego: But the point is that like, Tony knew that together they were stronger.

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Diego: And he felt like Steve didn't allow for that to happen.

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Diego: Like he was like, you know, we should have remained together.

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Diego: We should have never split up.

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Diego: We should have agreed with whatever regulations, etc.

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Diego: of the Sokovia Accords.

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Diego: So, like, there was that moment of like, you know, we didn't come together, and then all this happened, you know, half of all living beings vanished.

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Diego: And so it like made, I think, that moment of coming together finally and end game like that much stronger.

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Diego: But yeah, like, I don't think that ever took away the philosophical differences between Steve Rogers and Tony Stark.

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Diego: Like, if they would have both survived, then there would have still been a division, I think.

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Diego: I can't see them really being okay and being together.

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Diego: Like, I don't know.

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Diego: What do you think?

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Diego: Did they ally themselves just to be able to defeat Thanos, or was there true, like, forgiveness?

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Joshua: I feel like...

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Diego: There kind of was a moment.

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Joshua: I feel like they...

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Joshua: well, I mean, obviously...

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Joshua: okay, well, obviously, Steve's friend killed his parents, and Steve was like, oh, it doesn't really matter.

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Joshua: But...

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Diego: Dude, it was brainwashed, though.

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Joshua: I mean...

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Joshua: but I feel like they...

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Joshua: like, even after, they always had, like, an admiration for each other.

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Joshua: And I feel like they couldn't really hate each other to the point where they could never team up again.

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Diego: Right.

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Diego: No, yeah.

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Diego: I'm sure they will team up again.

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Joshua: And I feel like...

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Joshua: like, what I'm trying to say is...

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Joshua: like, if they had both survived, there would have definitely, if the time had come, been a time where they would have teamed up again, I feel like.

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Diego: Probably.

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Joshua: And because I feel like, after everything that they had went through from Avengers, the first ever one, all the way to Endgame, there's no way that they could ever just give it up completely.

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Diego: Right.

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Joshua: Like, never...

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Joshua: swear to never work with them ever again.

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Diego: No, no, yeah.

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Diego: I think they would have.

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Diego: But I do think that it could have ended up resulting in something like the...

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Diego: Like in the comics, you got the main Avengers team, and then you got like West Coast Avengers.

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Diego: And it's like two separate teams.

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Joshua: What is that?

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Diego: It's an Avengers team, but in the West Coast.

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Diego: Because, you know, the Avengers are always stationed in New York.

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Diego: And so West Coast Avengers function on the other...

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Diego: on the opposite.

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Joshua: Is it like completely...

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Joshua: it's just different people?

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Diego: Yeah, it's a whole different roster.

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Diego: And there's been like several Avengers that have like swapped around from one team to the other.

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Diego: So I think it could have resulted in something like that.

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Diego: Like it would have been like a division of forces in a way, but not in a rivalry kind of way.

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Diego: More like, you know, alliance for when it calls for like a bigger threat or something like that.

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Diego: But yeah, there's a thing in the comics I just read for the first time.

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Diego: I don't know why I had never read this, but the Dark Rain storyline in the Marvel Comics universe, which happens right after Secret Invasion, where like heroes and villains have to team up in the entire Marvel universe to be able to defeat the attacking scrolls.

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Diego: And the guy who does like the kill shot of the final like super scroll is Norman Osborn, the guy who used to be the Green Goblin.

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Joshua: Really?

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Diego: And so like, because of that, he becomes like a war hero and becomes like respected and pardoned for all his crimes as the Green Goblin under the auspice of like, it was a mental health thing, right, like he didn't have control of his faculties, and now he is medicated and he is in therapy and he's, you know, getting all this help and he's like a reformed man.

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Diego: But he ends up going and forming the Dark Avengers.

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Diego: Like this is during a period of time where like Steve Rogers and Tony Stark and Nick Fury all are like this band basically, and they're like fugitives in a way.

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Joshua: Norman Osborn made the Dark Avengers?

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Diego: Yeah, he made the Dark Avengers.

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Diego: He created another organization to replace SHIELD., because SHIELD was no longer trusted.

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Diego: And it was called Hammer, which also is a, what do you call it, it's a, what do you call these things, man?

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Joshua: Organize.

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Diego: No, no, you know how SHIELD each letter means a different thing?

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Joshua: Oh, um.

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Diego: Kildare, what is that called?

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Diego: How am I blanking on this?

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Diego: Oh my God, you know what I mean.

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Diego: All of you out there know what I mean.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: Um, and so it's like, it's called Hammer and it's a, they're like basically another SHIELD and then he's the head of Hammer and he's also the head of the New Avengers.

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Diego: And so one of the people that he's recruiting gives him the idea of like, they're talking about like how the symbol of Iron Man and the symbol of Captain America are like so missed in the country.

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Diego: And so, you know, he's like, man, you know, one of them, I think it's Ares, the god of war will tell them that, you know, if only we could combine them.

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Diego: And that's what leads to the Iron Patriot.

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Joshua: Huh?

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Joshua: Ares?

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Diego: Ares.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: He recruits them to the Dark Avengers.

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Diego: He's like his Thor.

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Joshua: Like Ares?

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Joshua: Like actual Ares?

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Diego: Ares the god of war.

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Joshua: Oh, wow.

00:40:05.563 --> 00:40:05.783

Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: Um, and so that's what leads to the Iron Patriot armor, which the MCU didn't do it this way, obviously, because they didn't have all this background.

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Diego: But in the Dark Reign storyline, like, or Norman Osborn is the one that wears that armor.



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Diego: And he becomes like a replacement of both Iron Man and Steve Rogers.

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Diego: And so, yeah, and then he gets Dakin, who is the son of Wolverine, and basically makes him become the Wolverine of that Avengers scene.

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Diego: He gets Venom.

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Diego: The person who was wearing the Venom symbiote at this point was the guy who Mark Gorgon, the guy who was a scorpion.

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Diego: And so he gets him and gives him like some chemicals to like make him take the shape of regular black symbiote Spider-Man.

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Diego: And he puts him as being Spider-Man in that Avengers theme.

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Diego: He gets Bullseye, the villain, and gets him to put on the Hawkeye costume, and he's his Hawkeye.

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Joshua: Wait, so he convinced all the villains to do this?

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: Because these were the Thunderbolts at this point, which are basically like the Suicide Squad of the Marvel Universe.

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Diego: And so he gets all these people and gets them to like basically pretend like they are heroes.

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Diego: It's a fantastic storyline, man.

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Diego: I can't believe that I never read it until recently, but I had a really good time with this story.

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Diego: But anyway, that's a really interesting one too, where like it's kind of like guys who used to be enemies suddenly being seen as heroes kind of thing.

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Diego: That's a kind of a different variation, I guess, of this in a way.

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Joshua: I'm still trying to figure out what it is.

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Joshua: What is the thing, the words in in order, like it's going to come to us in the most random way.

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Diego: Then there's a, let me see, I don't know, I have, I have a few other examples written down of this stuff.

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Diego: Like one interesting example that I couldn't really find, like, I can't, I don't think this is like a version, an official version of this trope, but it's the whole Terminator thing, where like Terminator 1, the Terminator machine, T1-T800, is sent back by Skynet, and he's trying to kill Sarah Connor, right?

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Diego: T2 Judgment Day, the T800 comes back, and now he's protecting John Connor, and then by relationship, he's now allied with Sarah Connor, right?

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Diego: But it's not the same T800, obviously, and it's a reprogrammed T800, reprogrammed by the humans, but it's the same exact actor, same exact look, same set of capabilities.

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Diego: So what is that?

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Diego: Because it technically is a rivals to allies.

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Joshua: Dukes, I feel like that's just the plot of Terminator.

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Joshua: That's not a trope, Dukes.

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Diego: You don't think there's any other examples of something like that?

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Joshua: Literally, no.

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Diego: Come on, man.

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Diego: Really?

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Joshua: What is the what if it were to be a trope?

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Joshua: What would the trope be?

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Diego: Like if we don't see the Terminator as a person, right?

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Diego: We see the Terminator as like technology.

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Diego: Is there such a thing as technology of some sort being that was an enemy to me?

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Diego: Or that was destructive to me before being turned to work for me?

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Joshua: I mean, it's a thing.

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Joshua: That's not a trope.

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Diego: Okay, how about this?

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Diego: In the Secret Wars comic book event, the one, one of the latest one, the latest, no, second to latest one, the one where it's Battle World with Doom.

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Joshua: Doctor Doom and Molecule Man.

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Diego: Yeah, Doctor Doom, Molecule Man and Stephen Strange, they're the ones that kind of reshaped this whole new world, right?

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Diego: Towards the end of that storyline, there's a moment when the heroes find out that within that entire Battle World, I forget the reason, but for some reason, the Infinity Gauntlet is there with the stones.

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Joshua: I feel like that wouldn't be that important.

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Diego: They're able to use it.

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Joshua: Oh.

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Diego: They're able to use it.

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Diego: Someone snaps and reshapes the whole thing.

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Joshua: Wait.

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Joshua: Oh, so the snap was used to...

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Diego: For good.

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Diego: I think it was T'Challa who was wielding it, the Infinity Gauntlet.

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Joshua: What was the snap used for?

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Joshua: What did it do?

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Diego: To basically reshape Battleworld into a brand new unified universe.

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Diego: But it was before, just with all the characters that had survived into Battleworld, now living in one same Marvel universe.

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Diego: And that's basically what established a new continuity going forward after that.

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Joshua: So like, all the characters, that version of...

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Joshua: No, that wasn't the first one.

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Diego: Yeah, so it was all the characters.

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Diego: It was selected characters from the Ultimate Universe of the comics.

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Joshua: Oh, wait, so that was...

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Diego: And from the 616.

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Joshua: That was the one that put together the Ultimate...

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Diego: Yeah, it was the one that combined them.

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Joshua: So they were characters from Ultimate Universe and 616?

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Joshua: Put you to the same...

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Diego: Yeah, that's how Miles Morales and Peter Parker came to be in the same universe.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: Miles Morales snuck a cheeseburger onto Battle World.

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Joshua: Wait, how did he know that he was going to go into Battle World?

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Diego: He didn't know.

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Joshua: Did he just have a cheeseburger on him?

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Diego: He had a cheeseburger in his Spider-Man suit in his pocket.

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Joshua: So they have pockets.

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Diego: They have pockets.

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Diego: He gave it, he fed it to Molecule Man, who was really hungry.

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Diego: He hadn't eaten in like centuries.

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Joshua: Centuries?

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: And he asked them, he's like, do you guys have something to eat?

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Diego: And Peter's like, no, why would we have something to eat?

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Diego: And Miles was like, oh yeah, wait, hold on, I have a cheeseburger.

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Diego: And Peter's actually a really funny moment.

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Diego: And Peter's like, how do you have a cheeseburger?

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Diego: And he was like, don't judge me, bro.

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Diego: Like I'm a growing teenager.

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Diego: I have like cravings and I satisfy them with cheeseburgers.

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Diego: And he's like, no, no, no, like, how do you have a cheeseburger?

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Diego: You were in stasis for like eight months before we discovered you guys, like how in the world do you have a cheeseburger?

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Diego: And he's like, oh, no, yeah, it's an eight month old cheeseburger.

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Diego: Molecule Man ate it.

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Diego: He was really happy too.

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Diego: Yeah.

00:47:02.783 --> 00:47:10.503

Diego: He does some kind of favor for him actually at the end of the whole story, like before Molecule Man disappears after like the snap.

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Diego: He like does something for Miles.

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Diego: I forget what it is.

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Diego: But he does something to thank him for the cheeseburger.

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Diego: That's just to show you kids.

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Diego: Like you, if you have a chance to like stuff a cheeseburger in your trousers, you probably should.

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Diego: Who knows when you might be able to feed it to a very hungry person.

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Diego: I don't know, man.

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Diego: He pulled it out of his like pants or something.

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Diego: I don't know.



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Diego: Who knows these things?

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Diego: Who knows such things?

00:47:38.103 --> 00:47:38.703

Diego: Anyway, yeah.

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Joshua: That's one of the best enemies to allies.

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Diego: Yes.

00:47:43.583 --> 00:47:44.963

Joshua: Is Molecule Man a villain?

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Diego: Yeah, he's complicated.

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Diego: Like the dude is kind of...

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Joshua: Gross comedic, really.

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Diego: He's more of like an agent of chaos, in a way.

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Diego: It's not about good and evil for him.

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Diego: It's more about his own desires.

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Diego: So if his desires happen to align with heroes, he'll be aligned with heroes.

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Diego: And if they happen to align with a villain, he'll be aligned with a villain.

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Diego: And sometimes he's not with anybody.

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Joshua: So like Catwoman?

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Diego: Like Catwoman?

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Diego: Yes, but except that Duke King can control reality.

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Diego: So much more volatile and dangerous.

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Diego: But yeah, he's more of like, honestly, the dude is kind of on a god level, almost.

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Diego: When you really think about it, he's really at a level where unless the circumstance is drastically called for it, no one can really mess with him.

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Diego: He can literally disintegrate you just by thinking it.

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Joshua: Bro, Fred a cheeseburger to a god.

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Diego: Yeah, and then he made him into an ally again, bro.

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Diego: You know, rivals to allies and whatnot.

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Diego: Woody and Buzz, Toy Story.

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Joshua: That is definitely an example.

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Diego: It is.

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Diego: They started out like hating each other.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: And that's actually, I think, an example of another category.

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Diego: I guess your conclusion is that technology going from ally, from rival, to ally is not a thing, even though I just gave you that whole Infinity Gauntlet example, which you made me detour in to talk about cheeseburgers.

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Joshua: Deux, but the cheeseburger thing was also an example.

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Diego: Of technology?

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Diego: You know what?

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Joshua: No, it wasn't.

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Joshua: It was an example of rival satellite.

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Diego: I guess.

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Diego: But Woody and Buzz, I think, are a good example of rivalries that are actually purely based on nonsense, like on just a misunderstanding, right?

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Diego: Or judging somebody wrong from the beginning.

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Diego: Is that really because all our philosophies clash, or we're from rival clans, or anything like that?

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Joshua: Woody and Buzz is basically Deku and Bakugo.

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Diego: What?

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Diego: Why?

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Joshua: Because theoretically, not even theoretically, the reason that Woody didn't like Buzz is because Andy stopped playing with Woody to start playing with Buzz, and he was jealous, basically.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: And with Bakugo and Deku, Bakugo thought of Deku as somebody who would never even be any competition.

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Joshua: And then when he gets one for all, and he starts to look more powerful.

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Diego: He gets the attention of all the teachers and stuff?

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Joshua: He becomes the star student of the whole entire school.

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Diego: Right, right, right.

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Diego: Yeah, that's a good example, I think.

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Diego: That's true.

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Diego: I hadn't really seen it that way.

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Diego: But yeah.

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Diego: But yeah, with Woody and Buzz, I feel like as soon as that initial misunderstanding or misconception is gone, there's just no reason to be allies or rivals anymore.

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Diego: And then from there on, they're like bros.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Joshua: Because in Toy Story 4, which is a movie that exists.

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Diego: It is.

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Joshua: They like when, OK, spoilers.

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Joshua: I don't know, he's been out for six years.

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Joshua: When Woody is staying at the antique shop with Bo Peep, and then they have to leave him there, Buzz and Woody share their final last goodbye.

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Joshua: And then when he leaves, Buzz is crying because they're like best friends ever since the first movie.

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Diego: They're bros.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: Toy bros.

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Diego: What about, is this a trope or like a version of this trope where you got like the brainwashed, the brainwashing causing the rivalry, and then as soon as the brainwashing is out of the way, you become allies?

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Diego: Is this kind of similar to Woody and Buzz?

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Diego: Think of Captain America and Winter Soldier, for example.

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Diego: Like as soon as the brainwashing is out from the other party, like you're back to being buddies.

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Joshua: Oh, like they were friends, and then one of them gets brainwashed, and then they get un-brainwashed, and then they're back to being friends?

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Diego: Not even necessarily that they had to be friends from beforehand.

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Diego: It's just like there is, the rivalry itself is caused by some sort of brainwashing or external control.

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Diego: I think that's kind of a thing.

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Joshua: Yeah.

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Diego: I think it's kind of a thing.

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Diego: Makes me think also of Gamora and Nebula, who used to be kind of like, maybe not brainwashed, but maybe to a degree brainwashed, but controlled by fear, by Thanos.

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Diego: And as soon as they were out from under that, they turned to being the allies of the people that they were fighting or whatever.

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Diego: I think that's another example.

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Diego: But yeah, I think there's something there.

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Diego: There's like a brainwashing or in a wrong ideology type thing.

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Diego: Shoot, even Magneto in the comics ends up being like joining the X-Men at one point, like not too long ago.

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Joshua: He joins the X-Men?

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Diego: Yeah, after Professor Xavier's dead, like he goes and joins the X-Men.

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Joshua: But that's literally the guy.

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Diego: Yeah, I know, exactly.

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Joshua: That's like the X-Men villain.

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Diego: He ends up like, I don't follow X-Men comics totally, so I'm like tangentially aware of storylines.

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Diego: And I know that after Xavier dies, that kind of brings him to reconsidering his stance about harmonious mutant rights and integration and that sort of thing.

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Diego: But yeah, so there's that.

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Diego: Any other examples, man?

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Diego: I got like Spider-Man in Venom as well.

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Diego: That's an interesting one that goes from rivalry to allies.

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Diego: In the most original storyline, it is also because of an external threat, because of Carnage.

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Diego: They have to team up to be able to defeat Carnage.

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Diego: But I think through that team up, they realize like there's no reason for us to be enemies.

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Diego: Like, you know, be cool, bro.

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Diego: Yeah, they become bros.

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Diego: That's not true.

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Diego: They don't become bros.

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Diego: It's actually that's a really weird alliance because of the fact that like the symbiote was attached to both of them.

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Diego: And so like it knows it's most everybody's most intimate secret was the venom attached.

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Joshua: Like, who was the person inside the venom at that time?

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Diego: Eddie Brock.

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Diego: Oh, yeah.

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Diego: So that's a that's another example, I guess, of like a threat uniting the two.

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Diego: But then I think after that, for the most part, there's been a peace.

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Diego: There hasn't really been any kind of rivalry after that point between them that I can think of in the comics, at least.

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Diego: Um, recently, we watched the Aquaman 2 movie.

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Diego: We did.

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Diego: Apparently, the majority of the world did not.

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Diego: They just pooped all over that movie.

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Joshua: It wasn't.

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Diego: It wasn't terrible.

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Joshua: It wasn't that bad.

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Diego: It wasn't terrible.

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Diego: Like, it was watchable once.

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Diego: I'm not going to go rewatch it any anytime ever.

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Diego: But that's another one where there's rivals to allies staying with Aquaman.

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Diego: Neymar has to team up with the Ocean Master, which I guess is not really Ocean Master because he never wears the armor, which is really unfortunate.

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Diego: But whatever.

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Joshua: He wore he wore the armor like once in the first movie, right?

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Diego: You know, he had it on for a while in that movie.

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Diego: But I think as soon as he became Ocean Master, remember when he got like the the authority from all the kingdom heads and all that stuff, like as soon as that happened, he started wearing that armor.

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Diego: And he was like, I am the Ocean Master.

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Diego: But yeah, he didn't wear it in the second one.

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Diego: Just too bad.

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Diego: I am Aquaman.

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Joshua: He is.

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Diego: That's how that movie ended.

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Diego: No, I'm sorry.

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Diego: The movie ended by a man eating the cockroach.

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Joshua: It did end by a man eating the cockroach.

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Diego: Needless to say, if you didn't watch Aquaman 2, you didn't miss much.

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Diego: You didn't miss much.

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Joshua: The villain in that movie was so good.

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Diego: It was horrible.

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Joshua: He literally didn't even get to-

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Diego: Known name villain.

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Diego: Do you remember his name?

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Joshua: No.

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Diego: Exactly.

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Joshua: He didn't get to walk a single step off of his throne before he died.

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Diego: It was pathetic.

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Joshua: That's crazy.

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Diego: It was so sad.

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Diego: It was so sad.

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Diego: Aquaman defeated him with the splitting of the arrow with another arrow thing, basically.

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Diego: Except it was tridents.

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Diego: Yeah.

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Diego: Anyway, I think last words from me about this topic, I think there's just something about-

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Diego: There's a grandeur to me about the idea of two people or two individuals who have been in a stalemate against each other, redirecting both their energies in one same direction.

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Diego: That to me is just, oh man, it is such a satisfying storyline.

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Joshua: Tell me if this is an example of it.

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Joshua: Because you might be like, that's acoustic.

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Diego: Does it involve cheeseburgers?

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Joshua: No, it doesn't.

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Joshua: It does not involve-

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Joshua: I don't even know if cheeseburgers exist in this universe.

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Joshua: In God of War, the newest one, Yeah.

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Joshua: at the beginning, it's okay.

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Joshua: This is a very lesser degree of this example.

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Joshua: But in God of War, at the beginning of the 2018 game, like Kratos and Atreus, they didn't really have a connection like that.

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Joshua: Right.

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Joshua: The point of the whole journey was them basically connecting.

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Joshua: That wasn't the point, but that's the main thing that ended up coming out of that story, basically.

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Joshua: And I feel like they were kind of like opposed to each other.

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Diego: Yeah, I can see where you're going.

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Diego: I can see where you're going with that.

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Diego: I think that is like an example of this because, man, I wish I could...

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Diego: There's other examples of that.

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Diego: Oh, here's another example.

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Diego: It's very similar to that, Damian Wayne and Bruce Wayne.

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Diego: I remember in the comics, when Damian Wayne got taken to him, he had zero interest in learning from him, obeying him, working with him, anything.

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Diego: All he wanted to do was basically prove that he was better.

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Diego: And it was through many events, one of which was a storyline where this one dude who was, I forget who he was, but he was a pretty cool character.

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Diego: But he was trying to seduce Damian into seeing him as his leader, instead of Batman, because...

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Joshua: In the comics?

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Diego: Yeah, in the comics.

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Diego: I remember in the New 52.

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Joshua: In a movie, it was like that.

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Diego: Oh, yeah, that's right.

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Joshua: Is it the same storyline?

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Diego: Yeah, it's a dude with some lenses or something in his mask.

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Joshua: Yeah, wait, was he...

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Joshua: In the comics, was he part of the Quarter Vowels, too?

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Diego: Yes, it was.

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Diego: It was a talent.

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Joshua: Yeah, so it was the same.

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Diego: Yeah, that's what it is.

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Diego: That's what it is.

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Diego: We're absolutely right.

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Diego: Yeah, they pulled that right from the New 52 comics.

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Diego: And yeah, that's a cool storyline.

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Diego: It was the ultimate test of whether Damian was going to end up becoming...

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Diego: I mean, letting his philosophical differences with his father, the fact that he had probably hatred for him because he was never a part of his life, and many other factors.

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Diego: He was going to let that take over and basically turn him into a rival instead of his Robin or embrace the whole thing.

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Diego: And so yeah, I think that's a similar example to what you were saying with the cheeseburger.

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Diego: I'm kidding, what was it that you just said?

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Diego: Atreus, thank you, yeah.

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Joshua: The cheeseburger.

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Diego: There's like, not a rivalry, but a resentment, right?

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Diego: At the beginning of those stories that is splitting the two people, and then the journey unites them, right?

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Diego: I think we should go get a cheeseburger.

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Joshua: I think honestly we should.



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Diego: Let's go.

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Diego: Thank you all for listening to this episode on rivals to allies.

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Diego: This was a really cool discussion.

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Diego: Really interesting how many different examples of this stuff there is.

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Joshua: Yeah, and it's really interesting how I spent the second half of this episode trying to figure out what the word is when you have a bunch of different words and take the first letter of every word.

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Joshua: And then in between, in our break, my father just randomly said it's called an acronym.

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Diego: I told you it was going to come to me out of nowhere.

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Joshua: It did come to you out of nowhere.

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Diego: It's an acronym.

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Joshua: That's what it is.

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Joshua: It's an acronym.

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Diego: I think we both failed English today.

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Joshua: I think we did, honestly.

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Diego: But thank you all for listening.

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Diego: Thank you all for listening, and we'll catch you in the next episode.

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Joshua: Acronym, also cheeseburger.

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Diego: You beat me to it.

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Joshua: Okay.

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