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Episode 181: Earth (Four Elements Series)

The Four Elements series continues with the element of Earth! This episode we're going to dive into the element that's always around us and let's us feel grounded (pun intended). Earth and earth-adjacent characters and abilities are everywhere in the worlds of fiction and we're gonna dig deep into the meaning, inspiration, and examples. Yup... we said "dig" because... #dadjoke.

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00:00:50.295 - 00:00:52.935 Joshua: welcome to Geekology 101, my name is Joshua.

00:00:52.935 - 00:00:57.415 Diego: And my name is Diego, and we apologize for Joshua just blowing your eardrums and your speakers.

00:00:57.415 - 00:00:57.915 Joshua: Okay.

00:00:57.915 - 00:01:04.075

Joshua: And today, we bring you the second part of our Four Elements series, and today we are covering...

00:01:04.075 - 00:01:04.855 Joshua: Earth.

00:01:04.855 - 00:01:06.015 Joshua: Earth.

00:01:06.015 - 00:01:07.935 Diego: Or as some people would say, Earth.

00:01:07.935 - 00:01:08.535 Joshua: Earth.

00:01:08.535 - 00:01:09.995 Diego: Earth with double F.

00:01:10.555 - 00:01:11.795 Joshua: Like Dwayne.

00:01:11.795 - 00:01:12.275 Joshua: The Rock.

00:01:12.275 - 00:01:13.075 Diego: The Rock Johnson.

00:01:13.075 - 00:01:13.855 Joshua: Yeah.

00:01:13.855 - 00:01:14.235 Joshua: Yeah.

00:01:14.235 - 00:01:15.875 Diego: Can't wait to talk about him.

00:01:15.875 - 00:01:17.075 Joshua: He's like the strongest, probably.

00:01:17.315 - 00:01:18.115 Diego: Most epic. 00:01:18.115 - 00:01:23.155 Diego: Anyway, so yeah, this has been pretty interesting with the water element.

00:01:23.175 - 00:01:27.755 Diego: I first didn't think that we were going to be able to have like a lot to talk about.

00:01:27.755 - 00:01:39.075 Diego: But it turned out that like we did, because the more you get into this stuff, and the more you get into like the nature of these kind of elemental powers, the more interesting the research becomes.

00:01:39.075 - 00:01:48.735 Diego: And there's also like the meaningfulness of the element to life, or to our way of seeing the world, and our identity as people.

00:01:48.735 - 00:01:51.095 Diego: And so this is no different, right?

00:01:51.095 - 00:01:51.635 Joshua: Yeah.

00:01:51.635 - 00:02:02.355 Diego: So I'm gonna go ahead and start off, just like I did with the element of water, and just hit on some general points of like, what kind of symbolism, and what meaning does the element of Earth have for people?

00:02:02.355 - 00:02:05.035 Diego: And for like, maybe storytelling and stuff.

00:02:05.035 - 00:02:10.435 Diego: So Earth, as opposed to water, water being very fluid, being like a source of life.

00:02:11.375 - 00:02:19.675 Joshua: The Earth is kind of like clunky, or just kind of like, like I feel like water in general just feels kind of soft.

00:02:19.675 - 00:02:20.095 Diego: Yeah.

00:02:20.095 - 00:02:31.455

Joshua: But like Earth is very like, it's like very hard, like opposed to water.

00:02:31.515 - 00:02:32.215 Diego: Yeah, yeah.

00:02:32.215 - 00:02:32.575 Joshua: Yeah.

00:02:32.695 - 00:02:41.175 Diego: And it makes sense too, because like the element of Earth is usually associated in like spiritual circles and stuff like that, and mystical circles.

00:02:41.175 - 00:02:45.495 Diego: It's associated a lot with like firmness, stability.

00:02:45.495 - 00:02:51.335 Diego: Like when you think about it, Earth is like the foundation of everything on our planet.

00:02:51.335 - 00:02:51.495 Joshua: Right?

00:02:51.495 - 00:02:51.975 Joshua: Yeah.

00:02:51.975 - 00:02:58.715 Diego: Like all of our human made structures, all of nature made structures, like all of it is dependent on Earth, right?

00:02:59.235 - 00:03:05.595 Diego: The tallest trees in the world could not stand were it not for Earth.

00:03:05.595 - 00:03:11.635 Diego: So it's like, it's a very grounded, no pun intended, a very grounded element.

00:03:11.635 - 00:03:16.555 Diego: It is the thing that it's like where life comes from and comes out of, right?

00:03:16.555 - 00:03:17.095 Joshua: Yeah.

00:03:17.095 - 00:03:23.015

Diego: All the plants, all the vegetation where the majority of them grow out of the Earth.

00:03:23.015 - 00:03:38.015

Diego: There's even like spiritual beliefs and like Abrahamic religions and stuff like that where part of the mythology, like the Book of Genesis is where God took Earth dust from the ground, blew his breath in it and formed the man out of it.

00:03:38.035 - 00:03:38.535 Joshua: Yeah.

00:03:38.535 - 00:03:43.135 Diego: And that's where you get like that whole idea of you came from the dust into the dust, you shall return.

00:03:43.135 - 00:03:51.755 Diego: And it's like, it's so much into our carbon based identity, like we are made from the Earth, we come from the Earth in a way.

00:03:51.755 - 00:03:52.335 Joshua: Yeah.

00:03:52.335 - 00:03:54.915 Diego: It's pretty interesting, right?

00:03:54.915 - 00:03:55.275 Diego: Hello?

00:03:55.275 - 00:03:56.095 Joshua: Yeah.

00:03:56.095 - 00:03:56.695 Diego: Are you still there?

00:03:57.095 - 00:03:57.475 Joshua: Yeah.

00:03:57.475 - 00:04:01.315 Diego: I can't see you over these sound blockers.

00:04:01.315 - 00:04:05.375 Diego: And then, of course, like Earth is the name of our planet. 00:04:05.375 - 00:04:05.875 Joshua: Yeah.

00:04:05.875 - 00:04:12.495 Diego: You know, it's like that's how, that's how deep it is in the identity of us as a species, you know?

00:04:12.495 - 00:04:18.515 Diego: It's almost like it's the cradle of our species and all the other species that are on this planet.

00:04:18.515 - 00:04:25.415 Diego: So Earth is like a very ground type of solid, firm foundation element.

00:04:26.255 - 00:04:33.915 Diego: And you're going to find that kind of symbolism everywhere when it comes to, you know, again, spirituality and stuff.

00:04:33.915 - 00:04:42.695 Diego: So when it comes to storytelling, how do you think that translates into storytelling, fiction, abilities and all that stuff?

00:04:42.695 - 00:04:57.635 Joshua: Well, one character I feel like that kind of embodies that, that kind of embodies the element of Earth in general, is Toph from Avatar.

00:04:57.635 - 00:05:03.915 Joshua: Basically, she's like a rich girl who's like really privileged and everything, and she's blind.

00:05:03.915 - 00:05:04.295 Diego: Okay.

00:05:04.295 - 00:05:15.015 Joshua: And her parents sent her to this like earthbending teacher, and while she's there, she basically pretends to be like a novice level earthbender.

00:05:15.015 - 00:05:18.515 Joshua: She can like only just kind of like pick up rocks and like throw them.

00:05:18.515 - 00:05:27.395

Joshua: And her parents think like she's just a little helpless, defensive girl, but in reality, she literally is the best earthbender in the entire show.

00:05:27.395 - 00:05:29.895 Joshua: Probably in the whole world at that point, honestly.

00:05:30.135 - 00:05:32.075 Diego: How far does she take her earthbending layer?

00:05:32.175 - 00:05:33.015 Diego: What kind of stuff?

00:05:33.015 - 00:05:39.515 Diego: Because Avatar, by the way, is probably like one of the first places that your mind goes to if you're familiar with fiction.

00:05:39.515 - 00:05:43.215 Diego: One of the first places your mind goes to when it comes to the Four Elements.

00:05:43.215 - 00:05:43.795 Joshua: Yeah.

00:05:43.795 - 00:05:46.195 Diego: So it's almost like the default thing that we like.

00:05:46.255 - 00:05:48.315 Joshua: The show is basically all about it.

00:05:48.315 - 00:05:48.555 Diego: Right.

00:05:48.555 - 00:05:48.995 Diego: Right.

00:05:49.175 - 00:05:50.375 Diego: So how far does she take her?

00:05:50.455 - 00:05:51.195 Diego: She's like the best.

00:05:51.195 - 00:05:51.515 Diego: How far? 00:05:51.515 - 00:05:55.155 Diego: I'm really curious because of some notes that I took further on.

00:05:55.155 - 00:05:58.295 Diego: I'm really curious, like how far does she take it?

00:05:58.295 - 00:06:02.495 Diego: And what does she extend it to that other people can't?

00:06:02.495 - 00:06:02.675 Joshua: Yeah.

00:06:02.675 - 00:06:02.975 Joshua: Okay.

00:06:02.975 - 00:06:09.435 Joshua: So first, there's this one scene, which a lot of people use as like one of her best feats.

00:06:09.435 - 00:06:17.635 Joshua: And it's like the whole crew is basically trapped in this tower in the middle of the desert.

00:06:17.635 - 00:06:21.735 Joshua: It's like a massive, massive, massive tower in the middle of the desert.

00:06:21.735 - 00:06:23.775 Joshua: And it starts like crumbling.

00:06:23.775 - 00:06:28.415 Joshua: Like it's about to crash down on them, and they're probably going to die.

00:06:28.415 - 00:06:32.835 Joshua: But they left Toph on guard duty, which is kind of interesting because she's blind.

00:06:34.175 - 00:06:38.575 Joshua: But she like sees with her feet, like she like walks in the vibrations.

00:06:38.575 - 00:06:39.695 Diego: That makes, yeah.

00:06:40.415 - 00:06:42.835 Diego: Which is really powerful, actually. 00:06:42.935 - 00:06:45.275 Joshua: She's kind of like Daredevil.

00:06:45.275 - 00:06:45.935 Joshua: Yeah.

00:06:45.935 - 00:06:55.455 Joshua: And while this thing is like crumbling down on them, she holds up the entire tower, like this massive, massive thing.

00:06:55.455 - 00:06:56.415 Joshua: And she holds it up.

00:06:56.415 - 00:07:00.155 Diego: Which I'm assuming is not made of just like mud bricks or something.

00:07:00.455 - 00:07:02.995 Joshua: No, it's like full stone and everything.

00:07:02.995 - 00:07:03.295 Diego: Yeah.

00:07:03.295 - 00:07:04.355 Joshua: So that's one thing.

00:07:04.355 - 00:07:08.135 Joshua: She can also bend sand, which is can be really powerful.

00:07:08.135 - 00:07:08.895 Joshua: Yeah.

00:07:08.895 - 00:07:22.015

Joshua: And one thing that she like innovated, the thing that she created is metal bending because there was this one time in the show where she was captured because she like kind of ran away from home.

00:07:22.015 - 00:07:22.455 Diego: Yeah.

00:07:22.455 - 00:07:29.415

Joshua: And her parents sent her like old earthbending teacher and this wrestler guy after her.

00:07:29.415 - 00:07:32.395 Joshua: And they had her trapped in this metal cage.

00:07:32.395 - 00:07:32.675 Diego: Yeah.

00:07:32.675 - 00:07:37.835 Joshua: And she was like, there's no way I'm going to let these guys just like take me back to my rich lifestyle.

00:07:37.835 - 00:07:45.655 Joshua: And so she for the first time out of just pure annoyance, I guess, because she just didn't want to go back to her home.

00:07:46.255 - 00:07:52.875 Joshua: She literally just bended the metal out of like the pure minerals in the actual metal.

00:07:52.875 - 00:07:56.915 Diego: And that actually brings up a point that I have in my notes to talk about.

00:07:56.915 - 00:08:04.815 Diego: And it's the fact that like we're talking, this whole series is formulated around the four core elements, right?

00:08:04.815 - 00:08:09.395 Diego: And that's traditionally what is identified as those like primary elements.

00:08:09.395 - 00:08:19.795 Diego: But within them, as we found out with water, you can't talk about water without ending up talking about ice or vapor or even air.

00:08:20.895 - 00:08:23.855 Diego: Because water molecules are in so many things.

00:08:23.855 - 00:08:26.495 Diego: And so even in the human body, like we talked about, right?

00:08:26.495 - 00:08:26.835 Joshua: Yeah. 00:08:27.315 - 00:08:30.535 Diego: So it's the same thing when it comes to Earth.

00:08:30.535 - 00:08:33.335 Diego: There's something called geokinesis, right?

00:08:33.335 - 00:08:35.555 Diego: And last time we were talking about cryokinesis.

00:08:35.555 - 00:08:37.235 Joshua: Always you with the kinesis.

00:08:37.235 - 00:08:41.595 Diego: You can count that for this whole series, I'm going to be the kinesis guy, okay?

00:08:41.635 - 00:08:43.495 Diego: Or you could call me Diego Kinesis Aguirre.

00:08:43.495 - 00:08:45.975 Diego: Like I am the guy who's going to come with those terms.

00:08:45.975 - 00:08:48.495 Diego: So there's geokinesis or terrokinesis.

00:08:48.495 - 00:08:56.895 Diego: And both of these refer to being able to like create or shape or manipulate Earth and Earthen elements in some way, right?

00:08:56.895 - 00:09:08.095 Diego: And so this is not necessarily like when you think about it, are we just talking about here when we talk about the element of Earth, are we just talking about literal rocks and dirt?

00:09:08.795 - 00:09:13.315 Diego: Or are we talking about anything that lives within the Earth?

00:09:13.315 - 00:09:26.695

Diego: And like if you take the planet Earth and you go deeper and deeper and deeper, you start revealing these layers, right, of like all sorts of minerals and elements that are all related to the Earth.

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Diego: So as soon as you start thinking about Earth, you eventually make your way down to metals, minerals, glass, molten things, right, lava, magma, like...

00:09:40.455 - 00:09:43.035 Joshua: Oh yeah, lava bending is also something that...

00:09:43.035 - 00:09:44.535 Diego: And is it a subset of Earth bending?

00:09:44.535 - 00:09:46.815 Joshua: Yeah, it's a lot of things that Earth benders can do.

00:09:46.815 - 00:09:47.755 Diego: Yeah, yeah.

00:09:47.755 - 00:09:53.815 Diego: So like that sort of thing is like, it may, it starts expanding this topic like tremendously, right?

00:09:53.815 - 00:09:56.835 Diego: So anyway, anything else you want to say about Homegirl?

00:09:57.935 - 00:10:13.015

Joshua: Nothing, I mean, she's definitely, at least in the original show, she was definitely the best Earth bender, and she literally created a whole new type of bending that like people use for generations, generations after that.

00:10:13.015 - 00:10:16.195 Diego: So metal bending, aka metallokinesis.

00:10:17.595 - 00:10:18.775 Joshua: It's always a kinesis.

00:10:19.135 - 00:10:22.095 Diego: There's always a kinesis, metallokinesis.

00:10:22.095 - 00:10:22.935 Joshua: Metallokinesis.

00:10:22.935 - 00:10:28.675

Diego: Yeah, that's the ability to manipulate metal based molecules in some way, any kind of metal alloy, whatever.

00:10:28.675 - 00:10:30.635 Diego: Metallokinesis, you're welcome, everybody.

00:10:31.015 - 00:10:33.255 Diego: Teaching you the vocabulary here.

00:10:33.255 - 00:10:33.475 Diego: Yeah.

00:10:33.475 - 00:10:33.815 Diego: Okay.

00:10:33.815 - 00:10:39.935 Diego: So what else you got in the form of earth control, geokinesis, pterokinesis, earth bending type of stuff?

00:10:39.935 - 00:10:42.735 Diego: What else do you have in your notes about that?

00:10:42.735 - 00:10:44.975 Joshua: I have poison ivy.

00:10:44.975 - 00:10:45.815 Joshua: I don't know if that's...

00:10:45.895 - 00:10:48.055 Joshua: I feel like you definitely had that somewhere.

00:10:48.055 - 00:10:48.575 Diego: Yeah, absolutely.

00:10:48.575 - 00:10:53.215 Joshua: But I mean, her whole literally who she is, is that she controls plants.

00:10:53.215 - 00:10:57.715 Joshua: She can make massive, scary monsters out of plants.

00:10:58.175 - 00:11:00.675

Joshua: She can bend plants to her will.

00:11:00.675 - 00:11:03.755 Diego: You know what I'm going to give you next, right?

00:11:03.755 - 00:11:04.455 Joshua: Dukes, though...

00:11:04.455 - 00:11:05.875 Diego: There's a kinesis for that, too.

00:11:05.875 - 00:11:07.675 Joshua: Wait, should I guess what it is?

00:11:07.675 - 00:11:08.395 Diego: Go ahead.

00:11:08.395 - 00:11:10.935 Joshua: It's going to be...

00:11:12.175 - 00:11:13.115 Joshua: I actually have no idea.

00:11:13.115 - 00:11:14.215 Joshua: Just saying.

00:11:14.215 - 00:11:16.335 Diego: There's four different terms that we can...

00:11:16.355 - 00:11:17.955 Joshua: Or are you going to say all of them?

00:11:17.955 - 00:11:18.895 Joshua: Of course.

00:11:18.895 - 00:11:20.275 Joshua: Do they all have kinesises?

00:11:20.275 - 00:11:21.715 Diego: All of them have kinesises. 00:11:21.715 - 00:11:21.995 Joshua: Okay.

00:11:22.495 - 00:11:28.275 Diego: So, you got chlorokinesis, like controlling the chloroform in things, which Poison Ivy does, right?

00:11:28.275 - 00:11:28.615 Joshua: Yeah.

00:11:28.615 - 00:11:34.115 Diego: I feel like you can't fully control plants to your will unless you're able to control them at that level.

00:11:34.115 - 00:11:34.575 Joshua: Yeah.

00:11:34.575 - 00:11:38.295 Diego: Then you got agrokinesis coming from agriculture and whatnot.

00:11:38.295 - 00:11:41.735 Diego: Then you got botanokinesis coming from botany, right?

00:11:41.735 - 00:11:42.055 Joshua: Yeah.

00:11:42.055 - 00:11:43.875 Diego: Specifying plants.

00:11:43.875 - 00:11:46.155 Diego: And then you got phytokinesis.

00:11:46.155 - 00:11:46.915 Joshua: What does that mean?

00:11:46.915 - 00:11:47.715 Diego: Yeah, I don't know.

00:11:47.715 - 00:11:54.195 Diego: But the other ones are pretty clearly related to plants and the structure of plants and the composition of plants. 00:11:54.195 - 00:12:03.435

Diego: So are we considering that just with metallokinesis and the control of metal, vegetation control is another offshoot of earth control?

00:12:03.435 - 00:12:03.995 Joshua: Yeah.

00:12:03.995 - 00:12:05.475 Diego: Yeah, I agree.

00:12:05.475 - 00:12:09.055 Diego: So that expands our view pretty wide.

00:12:09.055 - 00:12:13.635 Diego: So since you brought up vegetation, you've got Swamphing.

00:12:13.635 - 00:12:15.235 Diego: Swamphing is huge.

00:12:15.575 - 00:12:17.195 Diego: He's literally connected to like this.

00:12:17.195 - 00:12:19.135 Joshua: I mean, he is vegetation.

00:12:19.135 - 00:12:24.015 Diego: He is, but he's also connected to like a whole realm of the...

00:12:24.015 - 00:12:25.775 Diego: It's called the green.

00:12:25.775 - 00:12:34.515 Diego: And it's basically like an entire realm of what rules plant life and green life and earth and that sort of thing.

00:12:34.515 - 00:12:38.695 Diego: Reminds me also of like this...

00:12:38.695 - 00:12:46.055 Diego: It's like a dimension within the Spawn comics, where it's called Gaia. 00:12:46.075 - 00:12:54.595 Diego: And it has like these godlike figures who are active in this battle with heaven and earth.

00:12:54.595 - 00:12:59.735 Diego: Like they were kind of neutral for a long time in the battle between heaven and earth.

00:12:59.735 - 00:13:06.055 Diego: And then they started realizing that the battle between heaven and earth, like demons and angels and stuff like that, got so intense and was partying the earth.

00:13:06.055 - 00:13:07.035 Joshua: That it was destroying the earth?

00:13:07.035 - 00:13:07.835 Diego: Yeah.

00:13:07.835 - 00:13:11.335 Diego: And that's when they like decided to like, nope, nope, we're gonna step in.

00:13:11.335 - 00:13:18.915 Diego: Like the current ruler of hell in the Spawn comics is actually someone who had a deep alliance with Gaia and all those characters.

00:13:18.915 - 00:13:26.915 Diego: So it's like they're favoring, that's why they took away the powers from like every heaven and earth, every heaven and hell figure.

00:13:26.915 - 00:13:28.615 Joshua: Oh, it was Gaia that did that?

00:13:28.615 - 00:13:31.755 Diego: It was the ruler, Nix, the new ruler of hell.

00:13:32.755 - 00:13:40.075 Diego: And so she's favoring the Gaia agenda over the agenda of heaven and hell.

00:13:40.075 - 00:13:41.075 Diego: Yeah.

00:13:41.075 - 00:13:44.415

Diego: Anyway, but yeah, that's definitely a thing.

00:13:44.415 - 00:13:48.395 Diego: Like Man-Thing, back to him, he's somebody who...

00:13:48.395 - 00:13:50.055 Joshua: Wait, Man-Thing or Swamp-Thing?

00:13:50.055 - 00:13:51.015 Diego: Both of them, actually.

00:13:51.015 - 00:13:54.975 Diego: Yeah, but probably Swamp-Thing is a bit more powerful on the power side, on the ability side.

00:13:54.975 - 00:13:58.575 Joshua: He is like the guardian of like all plant life on earth, right?

00:13:58.575 - 00:14:00.215 Diego: For sure, yeah, of the green.

00:14:01.155 - 00:14:05.135 Diego: And he, again, he is made fully of plant.

00:14:05.135 - 00:14:06.035 Diego: He is plant organism.

00:14:06.095 - 00:14:06.935 Joshua: He's basically...

00:14:08.015 - 00:14:10.895 Joshua: He's kind of like Groot, but like more green.

00:14:10.895 - 00:14:12.375 Joshua: That's like kind of what he looks like.

00:14:12.375 - 00:14:14.095 Diego: Yep, yep, yeah.

00:14:14.095 - 00:14:15.255 Diego: Much more powerful than Groot. 00:14:15.255 - 00:14:15.755 Joshua: Yeah, yeah.

00:14:15.755 - 00:14:17.115 Joshua: I feel like...

00:14:17.115 - 00:14:19.695 Diego: Groot's connection kind of ends within himself.

00:14:19.935 - 00:14:25.155 Diego: I haven't ever seen Groot control other nature, necessarily.

00:14:25.475 - 00:14:26.155 Diego: Yeah.

00:14:26.155 - 00:14:32.315 Diego: It seems like he can pretty infinitely control himself and grow himself and extend himself however he needs to, but yeah.

00:14:32.315 - 00:14:36.075 Diego: But Man-Thing, there was a...

00:14:36.075 - 00:14:37.875 Diego: I recently read DC vs.

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Diego: Vampires, and there's a moment where green arrows are sneaking into this blood farm where they're like basically holding prisoner, say a concentration camp for humans in general, and they use them to keep them alive barely just for the sake of getting blood out of them.

00:14:54.575 - 00:14:54.735 Joshua: Yeah.

00:14:55.955 - 00:15:03.475 Diego: And he sneaks in there, and he brings in Swamp-Thing as a little like twig, as a little leaf or something.

00:15:03.475 - 00:15:05.055 Joshua: And does he like plant him?

00:15:05.055 - 00:15:11.575

Diego: Yeah, he puts him in the ground, and then he pees on him, urinates on him to make him grow, and he grew.

00:15:11.575 - 00:15:15.135 Diego: And then they're like, I think you will speak of this to no one.

00:15:15.135 - 00:15:18.195 Diego: But anyway, yeah, Swamp-Thing is really, really powerful.

00:15:18.195 - 00:15:19.715 Diego: Also connected to like mystical stuff.

00:15:19.875 - 00:15:20.975 Diego: Sort of like Man-Thing, too.

00:15:20.975 - 00:15:23.555 Diego: Man-Thing is very much into the mystical stuff.

00:15:23.555 - 00:15:28.275 Diego: The Guardian of the Nexus Point or whatever it was in Marvel Comics.

00:15:29.555 - 00:15:31.755 Diego: Yeah, do you have anyone else like in the vegetation realm?

00:15:33.375 - 00:15:42.235 Joshua: No, but I was going to mention, again, with Avatar, Aang, obviously, he is the Avatar, so we can control everything.

00:15:42.235 - 00:15:57.735 Joshua: But one thing is in the final battle between Aang and Ozai, Fire Lord Ozai, basically for like the first, maybe third of the battle, Aang, because he's like kind of a pacifist, right?

00:15:57.735 - 00:15:59.955 Joshua: So he doesn't really want to fight Ozai.

00:16:00.675 - 00:16:11.135 Joshua: So what he does is he conceals himself, and he like traps himself in this, like, earth-made orb, basically.

00:16:11.135 - 00:16:17.075

Joshua: And Ozai is like trying to like break through it and everything, but like Aang is like holding it together with all of his will.

00:16:17.075 - 00:16:26.915 Joshua: And something else that he does is like later in the fight, he gets a little bit of every element, and it's kind of like circling around him.

00:16:26.915 - 00:16:29.295 Joshua: Like he gets some rocks, he picks up some rocks.

00:16:29.735 - 00:16:32.355 Joshua: That circles around him, he gets some fire, that circles around him.

00:16:32.355 - 00:16:34.475 Joshua: And yeah, but I mean...

00:16:34.475 - 00:16:39.315 Diego: So when you said that earthbenders, some of them can control like lava and stuff.

00:16:39.315 - 00:16:39.835 Joshua: Yeah.

00:16:39.835 - 00:16:43.455 Diego: So does that mean that they also have like firebending capabilities?

00:16:45.055 - 00:16:45.375 Joshua: No.

00:16:45.375 - 00:16:45.735 Diego: No?

00:16:45.735 - 00:16:46.275 Diego: It's just...

00:16:46.295 - 00:16:48.975 Diego: They bring it out from the ground basically?

00:16:48.975 - 00:16:49.695 Diego: Okay.

00:16:49.695 - 00:16:50.275

Diego: Okay.

00:16:50.275 - 00:16:51.315 Diego: Interesting.

00:16:51.315 - 00:17:00.635 Diego: All right, let's see, like going back to like earthbending and earth control proper geokinesis, if you will, terra kinesis, if you will.

00:17:00.635 - 00:17:11.515 Diego: There's another like category of characters that are interesting because they don't necessarily control earth, but they're kind of made out of earth elements.

00:17:11.515 - 00:17:13.555 Diego: Like Ben Grimm, the thing.

00:17:13.555 - 00:17:15.035 Joshua: Yeah, I had him on my...

00:17:15.035 - 00:17:17.575 Diego: Yeah, like I think you can't help...

00:17:17.575 - 00:17:18.615 Diego: I mean, the guy is like...

00:17:18.615 - 00:17:19.175 Joshua: He is...

00:17:19.175 - 00:17:19.635 Diego: He is rock.

00:17:19.635 - 00:17:20.535 Joshua: He's rocks.

00:17:20.535 - 00:17:21.215 Joshua: Yeah.

00:17:21.215 - 00:17:21.675 Joshua: Yeah.

00:17:21.675 - 00:17:25.555

Diego: And I loved in the movie Phantforestic.

00:17:25.555 - 00:17:26.175 Joshua: Phantforestic.

00:17:26.175 - 00:17:26.815 Diego: Phantforestic.

00:17:28.655 - 00:17:33.455 Diego: I love the representation of how he like gained his powers.

00:17:34.595 - 00:17:42.795 Diego: There's a scene when, like after they have the accident in the other dimension or whatever the negative zone or whatever it was, that they get to...

00:17:44.375 - 00:17:47.475 Diego: They get to that military station where they're holding each of them separately.

00:17:47.475 - 00:17:47.715 Joshua: Yeah.

00:17:47.715 - 00:17:53.975 Diego: And like in Ben Grimm's holding cell or whatever, you just see like a pile of rocks.

00:17:54.895 - 00:17:59.075 Diego: Like it's this massive pile of rocks that is has no form yet.

00:17:59.075 - 00:18:03.995 Diego: And like he's kind of like shaking, moving within the pile of rocks.

00:18:03.995 - 00:18:09.015 Diego: But it's like you could tell that he doesn't have his humanoid form yet.

00:18:09.015 - 00:18:10.335 Joshua: He's just rocks?

00:18:10.335 - 00:18:10.895 Diego: Yeah.

00:18:10.895 - 00:18:14.195 Diego: Which is really disturbing when you think about it. 00:18:14.395 - 00:18:16.355 Diego: One of the things that I think people really...

00:18:17.495 - 00:18:26.795

Diego: People don't give that movie enough credit, because that movie truly for the first two thirds of that movie, it's a really solid movie.

00:18:27.575 - 00:18:30.995

Diego: The last third of the movie is where things go down, go south.

00:18:32.215 - 00:18:39.035

Diego: But the whole part up to where they get their abilities and whatnot, that whole chunk of that movie is brilliant, bro.

00:18:39.175 - 00:18:47.775

Diego: It's like dark, and the way that they get their powers, I like how true they are to the fact that they get their powers through an accident.

00:18:47.775 - 00:18:54.935

Diego: Because it's like in the comics and in other Fantastic Four movies and stuff, they always have the accident, and then they're like totally chilling right after.

00:18:55.615 - 00:19:09.415

Diego: Like the original in the Fantastic Four movies, where Steve Rogers was playing Human Torch, in those movies, they have the accident and they're in the hospital, when they come back to Earth.

00:19:09.415 - 00:19:16.735

Diego: And they're like walking around, chilling, Johnny Storm is having a blast, you know, it's like totally cool.

00:19:16.735 - 00:19:18.455 Diego: Yeah, kind of literally.

00:19:18.455 - 00:19:25.875 Diego: But in this one, in Fantastic Four, Johnny Storm is horrible.

00:19:25.875 - 00:19:34.375 Diego: Like he's sitting on a metal table in an isolated room, on fire, and like terrified.

00:19:35.095 - 00:19:40.295

Diego: And he's yelling for someone to explain what's going on, and he can't understand why he's on fire.

00:19:40.295 - 00:19:41.035 Joshua: Yeah.

00:19:41.035 - 00:19:42.735 Diego: Like imagine the terror of that, right?

00:19:42.735 - 00:19:48.355 Diego: Like even if you don't feel yourself burning, like you're on fire, how are you not scared of that?

00:19:48.355 - 00:19:48.455 Joshua: Yeah.

00:19:48.455 - 00:19:49.675 Diego: You know what I mean?

00:19:49.675 - 00:19:51.835 Diego: Then Ben Grimm is the same thing.

00:19:51.835 - 00:20:00.835 Diego: Like that dude was stuck in a cell as a cluster of rocks, and like who knows what horrible thoughts are going through his mind?

00:20:00.835 - 00:20:02.855 Diego: Like what happened to me?

00:20:03.435 - 00:20:04.375 Diego: Am I this now?

00:20:04.375 - 00:20:06.375 Diego: Like is this me for the rest of my life?

00:20:06.375 - 00:20:08.855 Diego: Like how do I reverse it?

00:20:08.855 - 00:20:11.715 Diego: You know, it's like a really like sense of terror.

00:20:11.715 - 00:20:14.415

Diego: It's really, really creepy.

00:20:14.415 - 00:20:15.255 Diego: And I like that.

00:20:15.255 - 00:20:24.075 Diego: I like that kind of like more grounded, more like terror-based way of obtaining the ability.

00:20:24.075 - 00:20:25.435 Diego: So anyway, yeah.

00:20:25.435 - 00:20:30.775 Diego: All that to say that like Ben Grimm is definitely like, he is Earth in a way, you know?

00:20:30.775 - 00:20:32.155 Diego: You can't like take that away from him.

00:20:32.575 - 00:20:35.015 Diego: Then there's another one, Clayface.

00:20:35.015 - 00:20:35.375 Joshua: Yeah.

00:20:35.375 - 00:20:37.555 Joshua: I mean, I actually didn't.

00:20:37.555 - 00:20:39.355 Joshua: I didn't think of him.

00:20:39.355 - 00:20:47.855 Joshua: But I mean, he, I feel like he's one of the more like, obviously, he can do like crazy stuff with his body.

00:20:47.855 - 00:20:50.695 Joshua: Like he can like turn his arms into like weapons or whatever.

00:20:50.695 - 00:21:03.455 Joshua: But the main thing that he kind of does in a lot of Batman media that I see in like the games and whatever movies, is just being able to transform into anybody's body and like alter his voice.

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Joshua: I don't know if he like alters his vocal cords.

00:21:05.895 - 00:21:06.555 Joshua: He must.

00:21:06.555 - 00:21:07.335 Diego: Yeah, he must.

00:21:07.335 - 00:21:07.935 Joshua: Yeah.

00:21:07.935 - 00:21:21.235 Joshua: So I mean, in the Arkham games, mostly Arkham City, I guess, that he's a big part of that game because he's pretending to be the Joker for a lot of that game.

00:21:21.235 - 00:21:21.735 Diego: Oh yeah.

00:21:22.415 - 00:21:24.015 Diego: Like the healthy Joker.

00:21:24.015 - 00:21:24.655 Diego: Yeah.

00:21:24.655 - 00:21:25.495 Diego: I've forgotten about that.

00:21:25.495 - 00:21:26.255 Diego: Yeah.

00:21:26.255 - 00:21:26.435 Diego: Yeah.

00:21:26.435 - 00:21:28.255 Diego: I'm actually I started.

00:21:28.255 - 00:21:31.555 Diego: I watched Batman.

00:21:31.555 - 00:21:32.375 Diego: What's it called? 00:21:32.375 - 00:21:33.615 Diego: The new one?

00:21:35.035 - 00:21:36.395 Joshua: Cape Crusader, Cape Crusader.

00:21:36.395 - 00:21:43.975

Diego: I watched Batman, Cape Crusader, and like the style, of course, is so similar to the animated series that it got me into the mood to rewatch the animated series.

00:21:43.975 - 00:21:46.615 Diego: So I'm like on episode six or seven or something.

00:21:46.615 - 00:21:49.895 Diego: And it's to parter for the introduction of Clayface.

00:21:50.795 - 00:21:53.175 Diego: And it's really interesting, man.

00:21:53.175 - 00:22:05.095 Diego: Like Clayface is, I don't, I guess depending on which origin story you're following, like he's not technically made out of like earth and water, like clay, that kind of clay.

00:22:05.095 - 00:22:08.995 Diego: It's some sort of other thing caused by a chemical exposure to something.

00:22:10.475 - 00:22:18.415 Diego: So it's like he functions like earth and water mix, like the clay that we know, you know, clay things.

00:22:18.875 - 00:22:20.075 Diego: But not exactly.

00:22:20.075 - 00:22:21.895 Diego: It's a different kind of thing.

00:22:21.895 - 00:22:30.955 Diego: But still, it's like the closest thing that you can get to, you know, earth, I think, as far as like Batman's roster of characters. 00:22:30.955 - 00:22:34.875 Diego: So I would definitely include him there just because he functions like the element.

00:22:36.075 - 00:22:37.695 Diego: Then what about Sandman?

00:22:39.195 - 00:22:51.055 Joshua: Yeah, I mean, well, he is, well, I don't know, because you obviously see him in his human form even after he's like become Sandman.

00:22:51.055 - 00:22:55.595 Diego: Yeah, some somewhat similar to Clayface where he can retake a human form.

00:22:55.595 - 00:22:57.955 Joshua: But is he but he's still made out of sand.

00:22:57.955 - 00:23:01.975 Joshua: Yeah, it's just like he's kind of molding the sand to be what he looked like before.

00:23:02.735 - 00:23:03.515 Joshua: Yeah.

00:23:03.515 - 00:23:13.355 Diego: And I guess, you know, with Sandman, you get the whole thing of like that extension of earth, right?

00:23:13.355 - 00:23:21.475 Diego: Because sand isn't necessarily like, sand is more crystals than it is soil.

00:23:21.495 - 00:23:21.895 Diego: Right?

00:23:21.895 - 00:23:22.315 Joshua: Yeah.

00:23:22.315 - 00:23:25.015 Diego: That's why you get like glass from sand.

00:23:25.135 - 00:23:25.275 Joshua: Yeah. 00:23:25.275 - 00:23:25.715 Joshua: When you...

00:23:25.715 - 00:23:26.655 Diego: Firing sand.

00:23:26.655 - 00:23:27.615 Diego: Melted.

00:23:27.795 - 00:23:33.855 Diego: So he's like one of those kind of offshoot characters, but he behaves very similar to earth, you know?

00:23:33.855 - 00:23:35.915 Diego: Like if you were to see...

00:23:37.255 - 00:23:41.955 Diego: Who is like actually, let me see, who is actual like made out of earth?

00:23:42.975 - 00:23:45.195 Diego: I'm trying to think back to see if I have anybody on my list.

00:23:45.195 - 00:23:46.235 Diego: I actually don't think...

00:23:46.235 - 00:23:48.615 Joshua: I mean, well, the thing is probably the only one, honestly.

00:23:49.355 - 00:23:55.075 Diego: No, but I'm talking about like earth, like somebody who can like change shape and stuff like that, but truly made out of earth.

00:23:55.075 - 00:23:58.135 Diego: Oh, there's not a lot come to think of it.

00:23:58.135 - 00:24:00.535 Joshua: Yeah, I don't I can't really think of anyone.

00:24:00.535 - 00:24:01.075 Diego: Hmm. 00:24:01.075 - 00:24:02.615 Diego: Interesting.

00:24:02.615 - 00:24:06.955 Diego: But yeah, I guess well, I guess salmon is the closest thing to that in a way.

00:24:06.955 - 00:24:14.455

Diego: But yeah, salmon, I think is a good example to he can also like turn his limbs into all sorts of weapons, you know, like clubbing, clobbery weapons and stuff like that.

00:24:14.455 - 00:24:19.015 Joshua: I wonder, would he like be able to turn himself into glass?

00:24:19.795 - 00:24:20.155 Diego: Good question.

00:24:20.155 - 00:24:27.675

Joshua: Like, is there ever, has there ever been like a one-off comic or just like a comic run where he...

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Diego: I am almost certain that I've seen that in the comics, but it's not that he turns himself into glass, is that that's a way to neutralize him by exposing him to intense fire.

00:24:37.195 - 00:24:43.335 Diego: Yeah, because at that point, you're kind of changing the composition of the thing, right, of his body.

00:24:44.055 - 00:24:51.415 Diego: So he can't manipulate in solid glass or crystal form, I guess, would be the thing there.

00:24:51.415 - 00:24:55.415 Joshua: Someone I wanted to mention again is somebody from Naruto.

00:24:55.415 - 00:25:00.875 Joshua: He's a part of the main villainous group, the Akatsuki.

00:25:00.875 - 00:25:02.515 Joshua: His name's Daidara.

00:25:02.515 - 00:25:03.175

Joshua: And...

00:25:03.175 - 00:25:03.975 Diego: Daidara?

00:25:03.975 - 00:25:04.875 Joshua: Yeah.

00:25:04.875 - 00:25:25.875

Joshua: What he does is he has this, he has this hand, er, no, he has this mouth on his hand, like on the palm of his hand, and he like puts clay into that mouth, and that mouth like chews up the clay and spits it out as like some kind of creation.

00:25:25.875 - 00:25:37.515

Joshua: And one that he uses is a bird, like he'll put some clay in and then he'll spit it out, and then it'll like shoot out like an actual, just big clay-made bird, and he can like ride it to get away from the heroes or whatever.

00:25:37.515 - 00:25:38.815 Diego: Huh, interesting.

00:25:38.815 - 00:25:39.795 Joshua: Yeah.

00:25:39.815 - 00:25:41.715 Diego: And they come to life.

00:25:41.715 - 00:25:42.955 Joshua: Mm-hmm, yeah.

00:25:42.955 - 00:25:44.255 Diego: That's really mystical.

00:25:44.255 - 00:25:50.735 Joshua: Another one from Naruto that you can't do an Earth-based episode without mentioning is Gaara.

00:25:50.735 - 00:25:51.135 Diego: Okay.

00:25:51.135 - 00:25:56.055

Joshua: Gaara is a sand controller, kind of like Sandman, but he's not made out of sand.

00:25:56.055 - 00:25:56.515 Diego: Okay.

00:25:56.515 - 00:26:06.955 Joshua: And in the Chunin exams, which is like the first kind of major arc in Naruto, is he's like the most powerful person there.

00:26:06.955 - 00:26:14.415 Joshua: Like nobody can really defeat him until Rock Lee, who doesn't have anything to do with Earth, defeats him.

00:26:14.415 - 00:26:24.935 Joshua: But his sand is like so powerful, and he was the biggest threat in the show at that point, and he was just a kid.

00:26:24.935 - 00:26:25.275 Diego: Okay.

00:26:25.275 - 00:26:31.115 Joshua: So he has this technique where he like entraps...

00:26:31.115 - 00:26:32.535 Joshua: No, that's definitely not a word.

00:26:32.535 - 00:26:33.275 Diego: Entraps, yeah.

00:26:33.575 - 00:26:44.355 Joshua: Oh, yeah, where he entraps someone in like this sand coffin, and he just like, he like shuts it tight, and he kind of just like kills them instantly.

00:26:44.355 - 00:26:46.055 Diego: Like suffocating them?

00:26:46.055 - 00:26:47.915 Joshua: Just like crushing them.

00:26:47.915 - 00:26:49.155 Diego: Oh, damn, really? 00:26:49.155 - 00:26:49.815 Joshua: Yeah.

00:26:49.815 - 00:26:50.715 Diego: Yikes.

00:26:50.715 - 00:26:51.655 Diego: That's dark.

00:26:51.655 - 00:26:57.615 Joshua: Yeah, but he's probably the strongest, one of the strongest Earth users in Naruto.

00:26:59.415 - 00:27:00.315 Diego: Okay.

00:27:01.555 - 00:27:07.215 Diego: Um, that's not Captain Planet, because he's our hero.

00:27:09.755 - 00:27:13.035 Diego: He's still on, on, on, on, uh, Moti, huh?

00:27:13.035 - 00:27:14.715 Joshua: That's, that's not his name.

00:27:14.715 - 00:27:15.595 Diego: It is, no, I think it is.

00:27:15.595 - 00:27:15.835 Joshua: Oh, it is?

00:27:15.835 - 00:27:16.655 Joshua: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

00:27:16.655 - 00:27:17.475 Diego: The Heart Guy?

00:27:17.475 - 00:27:17.735 Joshua: Yeah.

00:27:17.735 - 00:27:18.375

Diego: Yeah.

00:27:18.375 - 00:27:23.875 Diego: Now, the guy that we were incorrectly using his name for Moti was Kwami.

00:27:23.875 - 00:27:24.715 Joshua: Kwami, yeah.

00:27:24.715 - 00:27:27.155 Diego: Yeah, Kwami is the guy who controls Earth.

00:27:27.395 - 00:27:29.455 Diego: So he is now relevant to this conversation.

00:27:29.455 - 00:27:31.575 Joshua: And he's not actually useless.

00:27:31.575 - 00:27:34.155 Diego: He's not, he's very useful, man.

00:27:34.155 - 00:27:43.195 Diego: Yeah, with his ring of Earth, he's able to control Earth and use it in a lot of the ways that a lot of these other characters are able to use it, like weaponize it in ways.

00:27:45.075 - 00:27:52.515 Diego: I feel like he normally, though, used it to entrap people or to create barriers.

00:27:53.175 - 00:27:56.515 Diego: I don't really, probably because Captain Planet was like a kid's cartoon.

00:27:56.515 - 00:28:01.295 Diego: I don't really remember him much, like, you know, shooting a rock projectile.

00:28:01.295 - 00:28:01.615 Joshua: Yeah.

00:28:01.615 - 00:28:05.275 Joshua: Somebody to try to do the kids in Captain Planet.

00:28:05.275 - 00:28:11.235 Joshua: Like, do they come together like Voltron and like create, do they like merge like Shazam? 00:28:11.235 - 00:28:15.675 Diego: They shoot the energy from their rings and it unites in the sky and creates Captain Planet.

00:28:15.675 - 00:28:19.075 Joshua: So Captain Planet isn't like all of them merged together?

00:28:19.395 - 00:28:20.135 Diego: No, no, no, no.

00:28:20.135 - 00:28:22.355 Diego: They're still like separate when Captain Planet is active.

00:28:22.355 - 00:28:25.175 Joshua: Wait, so does Mahti shoot his heart ring?

00:28:25.175 - 00:28:25.815 Diego: Of course.

00:28:25.815 - 00:28:33.455 Diego: He, I mean, well, like without heart, Captain Planet is, you know, incomplete, heartless.

00:28:33.455 - 00:28:35.455 Diego: Could you be so heartless?

00:28:38.715 - 00:28:47.495 Diego: Anyway, but yeah, that's we can't, you know, cross this topic without mentioning our boy Kwami from Captain Planet.

00:28:48.135 - 00:28:52.915 Joshua: And I'm sorry that we disrespected you by calling you the hard guy.

00:28:52.915 - 00:28:55.255 Diego: We did not put respect on your name, bro.

00:28:55.255 - 00:28:57.375 Diego: We did not totally, totally disdain.

00:28:57.375 - 00:28:58.975 Diego: We're so sorry. 00:28:58.975 - 00:29:02.295 Diego: All right, let's talk about a couple of people who can control Earth.

00:29:02.295 - 00:29:06.535 Diego: They're not necessarily made of Earth or anything, but they can control it in an interesting way.

00:29:06.535 - 00:29:12.415 Diego: So one of them is Quake from Agents of Shield, Daisy Johnson, aka.

00:29:12.415 - 00:29:15.555 Joshua: I forgot all about, I forgot all about what goes on in that show.

00:29:15.555 - 00:29:15.935 Diego: Really?

00:29:15.935 - 00:29:16.155 Joshua: Yeah.

00:29:16.595 - 00:29:19.715 Diego: Well, she happened towards the end.

00:29:19.715 - 00:29:23.195 Diego: She had the partnership going on with Ghost Rider.

00:29:23.195 - 00:29:23.955 Joshua: Really?

00:29:23.955 - 00:29:24.495 Diego: Yeah.

00:29:24.495 - 00:29:26.675 Diego: By that point, she had assumed the hero persona.

00:29:26.675 - 00:29:28.675 Diego: She was no longer working for Shield.

00:29:28.675 - 00:29:34.275 Diego: And her whole thing is that what she controls really is vibrations.

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Diego: And so what she can cause is like earthquakes and that sort of thing.

00:29:37.235 - 00:29:42.895 Diego: So I think that's probably the extent of her connection to the Earth.

00:29:42.895 - 00:29:45.235 Diego: But she took on the name Quake and stuff like that.

00:29:45.335 - 00:29:51.075 Diego: And now there's someone else who can cause earthquakes, but also do more than that.

00:29:51.075 - 00:29:54.415 Diego: And it's this character from Mortal Kombat called Tremor.

00:29:54.455 - 00:29:55.595 Diego: He's from MKX.

00:29:55.595 - 00:29:56.915 Diego: Do you remember?

00:29:56.915 - 00:29:58.035 Joshua: I don't know.

00:29:58.035 - 00:30:04.015 Diego: OK, so Tremor is kind of like a ninja character, like Sub-Zero, scorpion, Reptile, et cetera.

00:30:04.015 - 00:30:04.235 Joshua: Yeah.

00:30:04.235 - 00:30:04.795 Diego: All those guys.

00:30:04.795 - 00:30:07.215 Joshua: And he is his like color brown.

00:30:07.215 - 00:30:07.655 Diego: Yeah.

00:30:07.655 - 00:30:08.115 Diego: Oh, yeah. 00:30:08.115 - 00:30:10.175 Diego: He's all like Earth and looking.

00:30:10.175 - 00:30:12.955 Diego: He like he looks like he's covered in Earth somehow.

00:30:13.415 - 00:30:16.675 Diego: And I think he has like cracks and stuff like it was rock or dirt.

00:30:16.675 - 00:30:17.635 Diego: Yeah.

00:30:17.635 - 00:30:25.155 Diego: And so he does the same thing that he could do the same thing that Quake does in the Agents of SHIELDER in the Marvel comics, where she can cause earthquakes and whatnot.

00:30:25.155 - 00:30:29.715 Diego: But this guy actually like throws projectiles out of rock and stone and stuff.

00:30:30.055 - 00:30:32.255 Joshua: Like spikes or something like that?

00:30:32.255 - 00:30:36.435 Diego: Yeah, spikes and like just boulders type things at you.

00:30:36.435 - 00:30:41.595 Diego: So he's definitely like a Terra Kinesis type of character, you know.

00:30:44.995 - 00:30:48.795 Diego: There's a lot of people in the comics, in Marvel comics.

00:30:48.795 - 00:30:50.495 Joshua: It does look like he's like made out of rock.

00:30:50.495 - 00:30:52.855 Diego: Yeah, you see what I mean?

00:30:52.855 - 00:30:57.615 Diego: There's this character called Rockslide, who was part of the X-Men at some point.

00:30:57.615 - 00:31:01.655

Diego: And he has like, he looks kind of rocky also.

00:31:01.655 - 00:31:03.315 Diego: And he has the ability to like...

00:31:03.315 - 00:31:04.275 Joshua: Rockslide?

00:31:04.275 - 00:31:05.515 Diego: Yeah, Rockslide.

00:31:05.515 - 00:31:13.095 Diego: He has the ability to like summon rock and stone and dirt and stuff like that to himself to create like, almost like armor around himself.

00:31:13.095 - 00:31:14.555 Diego: Yeah.

00:31:14.555 - 00:31:16.915 Diego: So that guy is kind of interesting in that sense.

00:31:16.915 - 00:31:17.995 Joshua: Oh, he looks pretty cool.

00:31:17.995 - 00:31:18.575 Diego: Yeah, yeah.

00:31:18.575 - 00:31:20.635 Diego: He has a pretty cool look to him.

00:31:20.635 - 00:31:21.435 Diego: I don't know why they...

00:31:21.435 - 00:31:26.955 Diego: I don't know where that character went or what they did with him, but yeah, he's pretty dope.

00:31:26.955 - 00:31:30.815 Diego: There's another character called Petra.

00:31:30.815 - 00:31:33.115 Diego: I think this is in Marvel Comics too. 00:31:33.115 - 00:31:35.055 Diego: She could liquefy Earth.

00:31:36.095 - 00:31:37.015 Diego: She got like her...

00:31:37.015 - 00:31:38.235 Diego: She's also a mutant.

00:31:38.235 - 00:31:39.035 Joshua: Liquid Earth?

00:31:39.555 - 00:31:42.755 Diego: Liquefy Earth, like make Earth molten or liquefy Earth.

00:31:42.755 - 00:31:44.415 Diego: You know like quicksand?

00:31:44.415 - 00:31:45.075 Joshua: Oh, yeah.

00:31:45.075 - 00:31:46.655 Diego: Like that.

00:31:46.795 - 00:31:52.155 Diego: When she discovered her powers, you know how like mutants powers in the comics and stuff activate when you're in like your teens?

00:31:52.155 - 00:31:53.415 Joshua: Yeah, like puberty.

00:31:53.415 - 00:31:54.295 Diego: Yeah.

00:31:54.295 - 00:32:09.915

Diego: So when her powers, her exagene or whatever activated, she was like in the park with her foster parents or foster dad, and they were like walking and talking in the park on the ground, on the dirt, and she didn't realize that he was no longer with her.

00:32:09.915 - 00:32:13.535

Diego: And when she turned around, he was like halfway stuck into the ground.

00:32:13.535 - 00:32:14.535 Diego: Oh.

00:32:14.535 - 00:32:15.975 Diego: Yeah.

00:32:15.975 - 00:32:23.315

Diego: And I think he ended up dying or something like that because she didn't, I mean, she just got the power, the ability so she couldn't control him.

00:32:23.315 - 00:32:24.075 Joshua: Yeah.

00:32:24.075 - 00:32:28.095 Diego: And then she hid in like Central Park for months or something like that.

00:32:28.095 - 00:32:32.055 Joshua: Did everyone who walked past her like sing into the ground?

00:32:32.055 - 00:32:32.475 Diego: No, no.

00:32:32.475 - 00:32:33.795 Diego: She was trying to like isolate herself.

00:32:33.795 - 00:32:35.735 Diego: You know, Central Park is like a massive mess.

00:32:35.835 - 00:32:36.695 Joshua: It's like a town.

00:32:36.695 - 00:32:37.315 Diego: Yeah.

00:32:37.315 - 00:32:43.935 Diego: And so she was like hiding somewhere out there and created like this whole rock cave for herself to hide inside of this dome.

00:32:43.935 - 00:32:51.995

Diego: And what she would do, she discovered the ability, which is a really interesting thing that I haven't seen anywhere anyone else do as like earth based powers.

00:32:51.995 - 00:32:55.675 Diego: She discovered the ability to turn coal into diamond.

00:32:55.715 - 00:32:56.435 Joshua: Coal?

00:32:56.435 - 00:32:56.675 Diego: Yeah.

00:32:56.675 - 00:32:57.415 Joshua: Into diamond?

00:32:57.415 - 00:32:58.155 Joshua: How?

00:32:58.155 - 00:32:59.555 Diego: That's how diamonds are formed.

00:33:00.115 - 00:33:00.775 Joshua: Oh, really?

00:33:00.775 - 00:33:01.335 Diego: Yeah.

00:33:01.335 - 00:33:02.135 Joshua: Oh, well, yeah.

00:33:02.135 - 00:33:05.255 Diego: It caves underground for like, I don't know, hundreds of years.

00:33:05.255 - 00:33:06.775 Joshua: Being, when they're being like, compressed?

00:33:06.775 - 00:33:11.055 Diego: Yeah, the pressure of it, it slowly presses the coal into diamonds.

00:33:11.055 - 00:33:14.015 Joshua: Kind of like metamorphic rocks. 00:33:14.015 - 00:33:16.115 Diego: In a way, yeah.

00:33:16.115 - 00:33:20.115 Diego: And so what she started doing to survive, because she was like a teenager.

00:33:20.115 - 00:33:20.435 Joshua: Yeah.

00:33:20.435 - 00:33:23.855 Diego: What she started doing to survive was she started pressing coal into diamonds.

00:33:23.855 - 00:33:24.855 Joshua: Did she start selling them?

00:33:24.855 - 00:33:25.755 Diego: Selling them, yeah.

00:33:25.755 - 00:33:27.495 Diego: She would go to pawn shops and sell them.

00:33:27.495 - 00:33:29.195 Diego: And that's how she would like eat and stuff like that.

00:33:29.415 - 00:33:30.535 Joshua: Did she become like rich?

00:33:30.535 - 00:33:33.035 Joshua: Like, was she, she was saying literal diamonds?

00:33:33.035 - 00:33:34.535 Diego: Yeah.

00:33:34.535 - 00:33:35.755 Diego: But no, she didn't become rich.

00:33:35.755 - 00:33:42.335 Diego: Eventually, she was recruited into the Exavius Academy and like taught to use her powers and stuff like that. 00:33:42.335 - 00:33:42.855 Diego: So that's her.

00:33:42.855 - 00:33:45.095 Diego: Her name is Petra.

00:33:45.095 - 00:33:48.615 Diego: Then you've got this character who was one of the heralds of Galactus.

00:33:48.615 - 00:33:50.435 Diego: His name is Terax the Tamer.

00:33:50.995 - 00:33:53.695 Diego: He also had like Tera Kinetic powers and stuff.

00:33:53.695 - 00:33:58.975 Joshua: I feel like Marvel loves having characters like with repetition in their names.

00:33:58.975 - 00:33:59.955 Diego: Why?

00:33:59.955 - 00:34:05.115 Joshua: With like Peter Parker, Bruce Banner, Terax the Tamer.

00:34:05.115 - 00:34:06.675 Diego: Oh, like alliteration type things?

00:34:06.675 - 00:34:07.275 Joshua: Yeah, alliteration.

00:34:07.275 - 00:34:08.315 Joshua: That's what I meant.

00:34:08.315 - 00:34:08.815 Diego: Yeah, you're right.

00:34:08.815 - 00:34:09.955 Diego: You're right.

00:34:11.355 - 00:34:13.135 Diego: Drax the Destroyer. 00:34:13.135 - 00:34:13.875 Joshua: Yeah.

00:34:13.875 - 00:34:16.675 Diego: Then you've got another Marvel character.

00:34:16.675 - 00:34:18.795 Diego: He is the third Summer's brother.

00:34:19.695 - 00:34:20.815 Joshua: There's a third Summer's brother?

00:34:20.815 - 00:34:22.095 Diego: There's a third Summer's brother.

00:34:22.095 - 00:34:24.615 Diego: You already know scott Summers was Cyclops.

00:34:24.615 - 00:34:27.715 Diego: You already know Alex Summers was Havoc.

00:34:27.715 - 00:34:35.115 Diego: There is a Gabriel Summers, who was revealed at some point in the comics, and he is known as Vulcan.

00:34:35.115 - 00:34:35.775 Joshua: Vulcan.

00:34:35.775 - 00:34:36.135 Diego: Yeah.

00:34:36.135 - 00:34:42.895 Diego: And amongst many other powers, one of the one thing that he did is that he absorbed Petra.

00:34:43.235 - 00:34:51.595 Diego: He absorbed these two or three other mutants and took on their powers.

00:34:51.595 - 00:35:00.655

Diego: So at some point, he's apparently the most powerful of the three Summers brothers, which are all like Omega level mutants, I think, or at least Cyclops and Vulcan are.

00:35:00.655 - 00:35:04.955 Diego: But yeah, he absorbed her and eventually took on her powers.

00:35:04.955 - 00:35:05.955 Diego: So that's kind of messed up.

00:35:06.395 - 00:35:07.915 Joshua: Yeah.

00:35:07.915 - 00:35:11.055 Joshua: Wait, like rogue style or like absorb absorbed?

00:35:11.055 - 00:35:13.235 Diego: Yeah, like they were no more from what I remember.

00:35:13.235 - 00:35:15.715 Diego: Well, yeah, pretty sad.

00:35:15.715 - 00:35:17.695 Diego: There's this other character.

00:35:17.695 - 00:35:19.635 Joshua: They're the fourth Summers brother.

00:35:19.635 - 00:35:22.455 Diego: No, no, there's only three, I think.

00:35:22.455 - 00:35:26.435 Diego: There's another character in Marvel called Magma.

00:35:28.255 - 00:35:35.935 Diego: She was introduced in the New Mutants comics, and she can summon magma, and she can control earthquakes.

00:35:35.935 - 00:35:38.815 Diego: So she can cause them or she can stop them.

00:35:38.815 - 00:35:48.855 Diego: And since she has that similar thing to the character from Avatar that you were mentioning, the one who could feel the ground vibrations. 00:35:49.235 - 00:35:50.535 Diego: Yeah, she has that same thing.

00:35:50.535 - 00:35:57.795 Diego: So she can tell from miles and miles and miles away if there's going to be an earthquake that's about to happen.

00:35:57.795 - 00:36:05.035 Joshua: Yeah, Toph actually, she used that whenever Team Avatar was sleeping or when they were waiting for something.

00:36:05.035 - 00:36:10.875 Joshua: She would use that to be like, someone's coming, someone's seeking up on us.

00:36:10.875 - 00:36:15.175 Diego: Yeah, so she's actually prevented earthquakes and tragedies and stuff like that.

00:36:15.175 - 00:36:18.975 Diego: And she can cause earthquakes if she's in the middle of a fight and it calls for that.

00:36:18.975 - 00:36:25.635 Diego: But I think summoning magma is one of the most badass things that I could ever imagine related to Earth, man.

00:36:25.635 - 00:36:34.615

Diego: Because it's one thing to clobber somebody with chunks of Earth or rock, it's a whole other thing to coat them, shoot them with molten rock.

00:36:34.615 - 00:36:35.215 Joshua: Yeah.

00:36:35.215 - 00:36:37.255 Diego: That's brutal.

00:36:37.255 - 00:36:38.435 Diego: So cool.

00:36:38.435 - 00:36:41.335 Diego: I want that to be my Earth-based power. 00:36:41.335 - 00:36:50.155 Diego: And speaking of Earth things, did you know that zodiac signs are tied to the different Four Elements?

00:36:50.155 - 00:36:50.315 Joshua: Yeah.

00:36:50.315 - 00:36:52.815 Joshua: I know there's like water signs and like fire signs.

00:36:52.815 - 00:36:58.715 Diego: We forgot to mention the water signs are Cancer, scorpio, and Pisces.

00:36:58.715 - 00:36:59.795 Joshua: Wait.

00:36:59.795 - 00:37:02.475 Joshua: I thought, wait, what are you then?

00:37:02.475 - 00:37:04.595 Joshua: Because isn't Aquarius like an air sign?

00:37:04.595 - 00:37:07.355 Joshua: Isn't Aquarius like a girl holding a jug of water or something?

00:37:07.355 - 00:37:07.715 Diego: Yeah.

00:37:07.715 - 00:37:09.255 Diego: But it's an air sign, not water.

00:37:09.255 - 00:37:10.855 Joshua: Oh, I'm a fire sign, I think.

00:37:10.855 - 00:37:11.355 Diego: Are you?

00:37:11.355 - 00:37:11.735 Joshua: Yeah.

00:37:11.735 - 00:37:12.495

Diego: What are you again?

00:37:12.495 - 00:37:12.915 Joshua: Aries.

00:37:14.315 - 00:37:17.995 Diego: So earth signs are Taurus, Virgo, and capricorn.

00:37:17.995 - 00:37:18.835 Diego: That's your mom.

00:37:18.835 - 00:37:19.975 Joshua: capricorn.

00:37:19.975 - 00:37:21.015 Joshua: She's a capricorn?

00:37:21.015 - 00:37:21.715 Diego: She's a Taurus.

00:37:21.715 - 00:37:22.415 Joshua: Oh, okay.

00:37:22.415 - 00:37:23.795 Diego: Yeah.

00:37:23.795 - 00:37:24.695 Diego: Earth signs.

00:37:24.695 - 00:37:27.215 Diego: Those are the earth signs, just in case you're curious.

00:37:27.215 - 00:37:30.915 Diego: Well, I guess you would know if you're into the zodiac and stuff.

00:37:30.915 - 00:37:31.435 Diego: Let me see.

00:37:31.435 - 00:37:33.735 Diego: Who else I got, man? 00:37:33.735 - 00:37:35.715 Diego: There's some character called Volcana.

00:37:35.715 - 00:37:42.015 Diego: She, I think I remember seeing her in the Justice League animated series from back in the day.

00:37:44.015 - 00:37:47.455 Joshua: Someone, I want to mention Emma Frost.

00:37:47.455 - 00:37:49.375 Joshua: I feel like she's kind of like...

00:37:49.415 - 00:37:51.015 Diego: Oh, Crystal.

00:37:52.095 - 00:37:57.495 Joshua: I feel like she's kind of like Colossus because she can turn her skin into diamond, right?

00:37:57.495 - 00:37:58.015 Joshua: Yeah.

00:37:58.015 - 00:38:02.075 Joshua: And she was recently added into Fortnite, and she's a boss that you can kill.

00:38:02.075 - 00:38:02.915 Joshua: She's part of the Battle Pass.

00:38:02.915 - 00:38:03.715 Diego: Oh, good catch, man.

00:38:03.715 - 00:38:04.575 Diego: I hadn't thought about that.

00:38:04.575 - 00:38:11.455 Diego: But yeah, you're right, because crystals do go into the whole earth category because it is something that is essentially coming from the ground and whatnot.

00:38:11.455 - 00:38:11.935 Joshua: Yeah.

00:38:11.935 - 00:38:12.475

Diego: Yeah, yeah.

00:38:12.615 - 00:38:13.355 Diego: That's a good one.

00:38:13.355 - 00:38:17.615 Diego: I don't know why, but every time that I think of Frost, probably because of the name Frost, I always think of ice.

00:38:17.635 - 00:38:18.635 Joshua: Ice, yeah.

00:38:18.635 - 00:38:20.275 Diego: But not as red as crystals.

00:38:20.275 - 00:38:27.655 Joshua: Yeah, you would definitely think of someone who's named Emma Frost would have ice powers, cryokinetic powers.

00:38:27.655 - 00:38:28.975 Diego: That's what you would think.

00:38:28.975 - 00:38:29.895 Diego: Good job, son.

00:38:29.895 - 00:38:31.855 Diego: Look at you using the kinesises.

00:38:31.855 - 00:38:32.815 Joshua: I did.

00:38:32.815 - 00:38:33.635 Diego: Good job, man.

00:38:33.635 - 00:38:35.215 Diego: I'm so proud.

00:38:36.335 - 00:38:37.395 Diego: You know, I was just thinking that.

00:38:37.555 - 00:38:41.055

Diego: You know how, like, what's this guy's name?

00:38:41.055 - 00:38:42.795 Diego: Darwin, the character from X-Men.

00:38:42.795 - 00:38:44.035 Joshua: Like, what was his name?

00:38:44.035 - 00:38:48.355 Diego: He can evolve immediately to whatever is happening to survive.

00:38:48.355 - 00:38:55.095 Diego: I wonder, I don't know if there's ever been, but like a character who can devolve a creature.

00:38:55.095 - 00:38:56.095 Joshua: I know, actually.

00:38:56.215 - 00:39:03.135 Joshua: Or, well, actually, okay, in the old Mario live action movies.

00:39:03.175 - 00:39:05.775 Diego: Oh, God!

00:39:05.775 - 00:39:07.295 Diego: That ray gun thing?

00:39:07.315 - 00:39:10.535 Joshua: Yeah.

00:39:10.535 - 00:39:17.615 Joshua: When they turned Bowser, like, back into a dinosaur, because humans evolved from dinosaurs in that universe.

00:39:17.615 - 00:39:18.235 Diego: Some.

00:39:18.235 - 00:39:21.295 Diego: The other ones evolved from, like, literal monkeys, apparently.

00:39:21.295 - 00:39:21.635 Joshua: Yeah. 00:39:21.635 - 00:39:24.015 Diego: Because they turned a guy into, like, a monkey.

00:39:24.655 - 00:39:25.635 Diego: Oh, God.

00:39:25.635 - 00:39:26.715 Diego: Well, it's horrible.

00:39:26.715 - 00:39:31.235 Diego: I'm so sorry that we had to remind all of you out there of that movie.

00:39:31.235 - 00:39:33.215 Diego: But yeah, that kind of thing.

00:39:33.215 - 00:39:40.195 Diego: Imagine if they did that to Emma Frost, would she become, like, a little mountain of coal?

00:39:40.195 - 00:39:41.755 Joshua: Maybe, honestly.

00:39:41.755 - 00:39:43.335 Diego: That sort of thing?

00:39:43.335 - 00:39:45.255 Diego: l'm curious.

00:39:45.255 - 00:39:45.515 Diego: All right.

00:39:45.515 - 00:39:51.975 Diego: There's another character that I got introduced through in the Spider-Man comics, which is Molten Man.

00:39:51.975 - 00:39:53.335 Joshua: Molten Man.

00:39:53.475 - 00:39:58.655 Diego: This guy is primarily like metal, like his whole body is basically like molten metal. 00:39:58.655 - 00:40:02.795 Diego: And so you can kind of imagine how he uses that to find stuff like that.

00:40:02.795 - 00:40:08.175 Diego: Also, it was really challenging for Spider-Man because he couldn't web him at all.

00:40:08.175 - 00:40:09.895 Joshua: Would they just melt into his body?

00:40:09.895 - 00:40:11.775 Diego: Or just slip away if he was solid?

00:40:11.975 - 00:40:14.575 Diego: Because he could go into like a solid form.

00:40:14.575 - 00:40:20.375 Diego: And I think at one point he actually became like Earth, molten Earth type thing, like Magma.

00:40:20.375 - 00:40:23.255 Diego: So he was pretty interesting.

00:40:23.255 - 00:40:25.975 Diego: I don't know how you lived life that way.

00:40:25.975 - 00:40:28.335 Joshua: Yeah, wouldn't you like melt through the ground?

00:40:28.335 - 00:40:29.935 Diego: Yeah.

00:40:29.935 - 00:40:30.235 Diego: I don't know.

00:40:30.235 - 00:40:31.415 Diego: I don't get it.

00:40:31.415 - 00:40:33.535 Diego: It's a very complicated life that man lived.

00:40:33.535 - 00:40:36.915 Diego: I guess he could harden himself and like become, you know, whatever. 00:40:36.915 - 00:40:37.935 Diego: But yeah.

00:40:37.935 - 00:40:39.355 Diego: Ninjago.

00:40:39.355 - 00:40:39.975 Joshua: Ninjago.

00:40:39.975 - 00:40:41.895 Diego: Since we were just talking about the cosplay.

00:40:41.895 - 00:40:42.675 Joshua: Who is the Earth guy?

00:40:42.675 - 00:40:43.115 Joshua: Cole.

00:40:43.115 - 00:40:43.875 Joshua: Cole is the Earth guy.

00:40:44.255 - 00:40:44.435 Diego: Yeah.

00:40:44.435 - 00:40:44.915 Joshua: Is it?

00:40:44.915 - 00:40:45.455 Joshua: Yeah.

00:40:45.455 - 00:40:48.355 Joshua: He's the black suited guy.

00:40:48.355 - 00:40:49.935 Diego: Is he the guy that was...

00:40:49.935 - 00:40:52.075 Diego: His mom is Lily?

00:40:52.095 - 00:40:53.375

Joshua: I have no idea.

00:40:53.375 - 00:41:03.175

Diego: At some point, they revealed that like Lily, this character called Lily, who you never see until like a certain point in the show, like in flashbacks, is revealed that she was actually like a massive hero in the past.

00:41:03.175 - 00:41:04.075 Diego: And she could...

00:41:04.075 - 00:41:06.155 Diego: She was like an earthbender type thing.

00:41:06.155 - 00:41:06.975 Diego: Could control Earth.

00:41:06.975 - 00:41:11.075 Diego: So does the Black Ninja actually like control Earth?

00:41:11.075 - 00:41:11.215 Joshua: Yeah.

00:41:11.215 - 00:41:12.075 Joshua: I think he's...

00:41:12.075 - 00:41:12.995 Joshua: Well, I don't know.

00:41:13.055 - 00:41:14.535 Joshua: It's been a while since I've seen that show.

00:41:14.535 - 00:41:16.155 Joshua: I remember I used to be like addicted to it.

00:41:16.155 - 00:41:16.455 Diego: Yeah, man.

00:41:16.935 - 00:41:17.895 Diego: You were into it.

00:41:17.895 - 00:41:18.055

Joshua: Yeah.

00:41:18.055 - 00:41:19.455 Joshua: But I think...

00:41:19.455 - 00:41:19.755 Joshua: I don't know.

00:41:19.755 - 00:41:28.875 Joshua: I think he just kind of like Toph, maybe, in that sense, where you can just kind of like control Earth.

00:41:28.875 - 00:41:31.515 Joshua: He definitely can't create it, I don't think.

00:41:31.515 - 00:41:33.715 Joshua: And he's not like made out of it or anything.

00:41:33.715 - 00:41:37.875 Joshua: But from I think, I'm pretty sure he just kind of controls it.

00:41:37.875 - 00:41:40.015 Joshua: He can like levitate it and like throw it.

00:41:40.715 - 00:41:42.655 Joshua: Obviously, he uses it in fights and stuff like that.

00:41:42.655 - 00:41:43.915 Joshua: So yeah.

00:41:44.255 - 00:41:46.915 Diego: So yeah, kind of what we're talking about.

00:41:48.335 - 00:41:53.575 Diego: There's one character that I'm not sure if he belongs here, but he kind of does depending on the circumstances.

00:41:53.575 - 00:41:58.095 Diego: And that is Absorbing Man in the Marvel comics.

00:41:58.095 - 00:42:05.895

Diego: Absorbing Man is a guy who anything he touches, and whatever material he touches, he can absorb it and become that material.

00:42:06.015 - 00:42:12.635 Diego: He touches like a metal rod or a piece of metal, his hand can turn metallic and now he can hit people with it.

00:42:12.635 - 00:42:14.855 Diego: Same thing with rocks, same thing with whatever.

00:42:14.855 - 00:42:18.395 Diego: So he touches stone, rock, earth, whatever.

00:42:18.395 - 00:42:18.875 Joshua: Yeah.

00:42:18.895 - 00:42:22.255 Joshua: Wasn't he in one of the Hulk movies?

00:42:22.255 - 00:42:23.635 Diego: The Hulk movies?

00:42:23.635 - 00:42:25.495 Joshua: Yeah.

00:42:25.555 - 00:42:29.435 Diego: Oh, is that what Banner's father became in that movie?

00:42:29.435 - 00:42:31.615 Joshua: Yeah, I think so.

00:42:31.615 - 00:42:33.355 Diego: Yeah, yeah, I think you're right.

00:42:33.355 - 00:42:34.075 Diego: I think you're right.

00:42:34.195 - 00:42:38.115 Diego: He was also, I think he was in the in the Agents of Shield show.

00:42:38.115 - 00:42:38.955

Joshua: Yeah, he was.

00:42:38.975 - 00:42:39.615 Joshua: Yeah, yeah.

00:42:39.615 - 00:42:41.015 Diego: Yeah.

00:42:41.015 - 00:42:43.375 Diego: Anyway, yeah, that's absorbing man for you.

00:42:43.375 - 00:42:46.335 Diego: And then Pokemon.

00:42:47.755 - 00:42:52.495 Diego: There are different classes of Pokemon, and a lot of them are tied to the Four Elements.

00:42:52.515 - 00:42:56.995 Diego: And there's several Pokemon that are kind of like rock based or have rock powers.

00:42:57.075 - 00:42:59.095 Diego: You have, you remember Geodude?

00:42:59.095 - 00:43:02.955 Diego: I think I was like a head with two arms floating.

00:43:02.955 - 00:43:04.575 Diego: I made a rock.

00:43:04.575 - 00:43:06.015 Joshua: Yeah, yeah.

00:43:06.015 - 00:43:08.475 Diego: He's like one of the first Pokemon that you see in the show.

00:43:08.475 - 00:43:09.295 Joshua: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

00:43:09.295 - 00:43:09.955 Joshua: I know. 00:43:09.955 - 00:43:12.955 Diego: Yeah, I'm pretty sure he has like some kind of power.

00:43:12.955 - 00:43:18.555 Diego: There's also a Pokemon called Golem, and he's like a rock troll looking dude.

00:43:18.555 - 00:43:19.935 Diego: He also has rock powers.

00:43:19.935 - 00:43:21.555 Diego: There's also Onix.

00:43:21.555 - 00:43:23.795 Diego: Remember that big rock snake?

00:43:23.795 - 00:43:25.215 Joshua: Yeah, yeah, I do.

00:43:25.215 - 00:43:25.735 Diego: There's that guy.

00:43:26.155 - 00:43:29.475 Diego: There's a character of a Pokemon called Roly-Coly.

00:43:29.475 - 00:43:31.475 Diego: He's like a coal based guy.

00:43:31.475 - 00:43:39.175 Joshua: You know that guy who, I don't know, I forgot what it's called, but it's the Pokemon that kind of looks like Char...

00:43:39.175 - 00:43:39.635 Joshua: I don't know.

00:43:39.895 - 00:43:42.175 Joshua: What's the first stage of Char?

00:43:42.175 - 00:43:42.755 Diego: Charmander?

00:43:42.755 - 00:43:48.335

Joshua: Yeah, he kind of looks like Charmander, and he has like an animal skull on his head.

00:43:48.375 - 00:43:49.655 Joshua: He has like a club.

00:43:49.655 - 00:43:51.095 Diego: I think he's a fire Pokemon though.

00:43:51.675 - 00:43:52.195 Joshua: Really?

00:43:52.195 - 00:43:52.535 Diego: Yeah.

00:43:52.535 - 00:43:53.875 Diego: Look at me talking like I know Pokemon.

00:43:53.875 - 00:43:55.315 Diego: I have no clue.

00:43:55.315 - 00:43:55.635 Diego: I don't know.

00:43:55.635 - 00:43:58.895 Diego: For some reason, I kind of remember that guy holding a torch.

00:43:58.895 - 00:44:01.355 Joshua: I'm pretty sure he's holding like a club.

00:44:01.355 - 00:44:02.795 Diego: Is it a club?

00:44:02.795 - 00:44:04.315 Diego: Maybe you're right.

00:44:04.315 - 00:44:05.295 Diego: You could be right.

00:44:05.295 - 00:44:09.495 Diego: I'm sure like Pokemon fans are out there, like all you noobs. 00:44:09.815 - 00:44:12.495 Diego: You put me to shame.

00:44:12.495 - 00:44:12.795 Diego: Okay.

00:44:12.795 - 00:44:14.395 Diego: I think...

00:44:14.395 - 00:44:16.355 Diego: Let's talk about the...

00:44:16.355 - 00:44:25.075 Diego: What is probably, I think, one of the cooler offshoots of the earthbending, and that is the metallokinesis thing, like the metal characters.

00:44:25.075 - 00:44:31.815 Diego: Of course, you have to start thinking about like, what classifies a metallokinetic person?

00:44:31.815 - 00:44:35.055 Diego: Is it any kind of control over metal?

00:44:35.055 - 00:44:38.635 Diego: Because of course, then you start wondering about Magneto.

00:44:38.635 - 00:44:41.795 Diego: He's a master of magnetism, out of metal.

00:44:41.795 - 00:44:42.635 Joshua: Yeah, magnetism.

00:44:42.635 - 00:44:50.355 Diego: But immediately, by being a master of magnetism, I mean, he's kind of a metal guy.

00:44:50.495 - 00:44:54.535 Joshua: I mean, when you think about it, though, like, you know how?

00:44:54.535 - 00:45:04.595 Joshua: Well, I don't know if this ever happened to you guys, but you know how, like, when you're trying to stick something to the fridge and it doesn't stick because it's not a magnetic metal? 00:45:04.595 - 00:45:06.995 Joshua: Can you control those types of metal?

00:45:08.835 - 00:45:11.115 Joshua: Can you control non-magnetic metals?

00:45:12.335 - 00:45:15.455 Diego: No, no, no, he wouldn't be able to.

00:45:16.515 - 00:45:17.475 Diego: I don't think so.

00:45:17.475 - 00:45:18.115 Diego: So he's limited.

00:45:18.115 - 00:45:19.595 Diego: So you're saying he's not a metallokinetic?

00:45:20.395 - 00:45:21.835 Joshua: l'm saying he's not, yeah.

00:45:21.835 - 00:45:23.015 Joshua: I'm disproving Magneto.

00:45:23.015 - 00:45:25.135 Diego: So you're saying you could beat Magneto in a fight?

00:45:25.195 - 00:45:26.375 Joshua: Yeah, I would.

00:45:26.375 - 00:45:28.395 Diego: By throwing a refrigerator at him?

00:45:28.395 - 00:45:29.575 Joshua: Yeah, honestly.

00:45:29.795 - 00:45:34.155 Joshua: I would like throw like a fridge magnet at him.

00:45:34.155 - 00:45:35.795 Joshua: Oh, no, he wouldn't be able to control that. 00:45:35.795 - 00:45:36.275 Diego: Good Lord.

00:45:36.275 - 00:45:44.295 Joshua: I would just like, I would just pick up a fridge with my pure human, like indomitable human spirit and just like chuck it at him and he would just die.

00:45:44.295 - 00:45:45.395 Diego: That's amazing.

00:45:45.395 - 00:45:51.375 Diego: Well, there is, so recently, ladies and gentlemen, Joshua finally started reading Ultimate Comics.

00:45:51.375 - 00:45:51.895 Joshua: I did.

00:45:51.895 - 00:45:53.695 Diego: I didn't pay him to do it.

00:45:53.695 - 00:45:58.075 Diego: I didn't even bug him or bully him into doing it.

00:45:58.075 - 00:45:59.655 Diego: He just decided to do it one day.

00:45:59.655 - 00:46:06.055 Diego: I think we were having a conversation and you were talking to me about how a lot of people say that the Ultimate Comics are whack.

00:46:06.055 - 00:46:07.475 Joshua: Yeah.

00:46:07.475 - 00:46:10.255 Diego: And I don't know why people would say that.

00:46:10.815 - 00:46:16.415 Diego: I don't know that anybody who actually read those comics or the majority of those comics would think that because they're pretty great comics. 00:46:16.535 - 00:46:20.175 Diego: But now that you're reading them real quick, what do you think so far?

00:46:20.175 - 00:46:21.075 Joshua: They're pretty cool.

00:46:21.075 - 00:46:26.655 Joshua: I mean, they are like the first, some of the first comics I've really read.

00:46:28.175 - 00:46:32.755 Joshua: So I don't know if once I read non-Ultimate Comics, I'm going to think that they're terrible.

00:46:32.895 - 00:46:34.995 Joshua: I don't think I will because they're pretty good.

00:46:34.995 - 00:46:35.695 Diego: Yeah.

00:46:35.695 - 00:46:37.055 Diego: Stories are well written and stuff.

00:46:37.135 - 00:46:37.415 Joshua: Yeah.

00:46:37.415 - 00:46:41.795 Joshua: I mean, it's mainly people were talking about how the Ultimate Universe is bad.

00:46:41.795 - 00:46:45.815 Joshua: It's mainly about the Ultimates, like the Ultimate Avengers.

00:46:45.815 - 00:46:46.235 Diego: Right.

00:46:46.235 - 00:46:47.615 Joshua: So I don't know.

00:46:47.615 - 00:46:48.155 Joshua: Once I get to that-

00:46:48.155 - 00:46:48.675 Diego: You'll see. 00:46:48.675 - 00:46:48.875 Diego: Yeah.

00:46:48.875 - 00:46:50.235 Diego: You'll see what you think.

00:46:50.235 - 00:46:56.615 Diego: But there is somebody in the Ultimate Universe who is revealed to control Metal.

00:46:56.615 - 00:46:57.175 Joshua: Who?

00:46:57.175 - 00:46:57.835 Diego: I'm not going to tell you.

00:46:57.835 - 00:46:58.455 Diego: I don't want to spoil it.

00:46:58.455 - 00:46:59.515 Joshua: Oh, okay.

00:46:59.515 - 00:47:00.815 Diego: It's pretty important.

00:47:00.815 - 00:47:04.715 Diego: So I'm curious to see when you get to that, what you think of that little reveal.

00:47:05.615 - 00:47:07.455 Diego: Hey, I just thought of something.

00:47:07.455 - 00:47:08.455 Diego: My Hero Academia.

00:47:08.455 - 00:47:09.775 Diego: We haven't really talked anything at all.

00:47:09.775 - 00:47:13.115 Diego: And there's a whole bunch of people with quirks that control all sorts of things.

00:47:13.115 - 00:47:15.615

Diego: So like you got a couple of people in there.

00:47:15.615 - 00:47:18.855 Diego: You know who I didn't know if he classified, but I think he does?

00:47:18.855 - 00:47:21.375 Diego: Cementex from The Good Guys.

00:47:21.375 - 00:47:22.375 Joshua: The guy who...

00:47:22.375 - 00:47:23.335 Joshua: Yeah.

00:47:23.335 - 00:47:28.875 Diego: His thing is particular though, because he literally only controls cement made things.

00:47:28.875 - 00:47:29.335 Joshua: Yeah.

00:47:29.395 - 00:47:31.195 Joshua: So like building concrete on the floor.

00:47:31.495 - 00:47:32.775 Joshua: Shoot cement out.

00:47:32.775 - 00:47:33.715 Diego: I think so.

00:47:33.715 - 00:47:35.635 Diego: I mean, he could do it with cement whatever he wants.

00:47:35.635 - 00:47:36.275 Joshua: Yeah.

00:47:36.275 - 00:47:44.835 Diego: You know that part where they're like attacking in like the second to last season or something, where they're attacking the compound of the...

00:47:44.835 - 00:47:46.695 Diego: Those guys always remind me of the Brotherhood of Mutants. 00:47:46.695 - 00:47:47.775 Joshua: Metal Liberation Front.

00:47:47.775 - 00:47:48.095 Diego: Thank you.

00:47:48.095 - 00:47:55.335

Diego: Then when he's attacking, when they're attacking the whole thing, and he's like leading the charge by basically like dismantling their whole building.

00:47:55.555 - 00:47:56.935 Diego: Oh my god.

00:47:56.935 - 00:48:05.435 Diego: Like he's that kind of character, like he looks goofy, and you always kind of like, what's this guy ever going to really contribute to the fight?

00:48:06.355 - 00:48:07.935 Diego: Like Fat Gum, right.

00:48:07.935 - 00:48:12.675 Joshua: And then once you get to that part where he burns all of his fat and becomes jacked.

00:48:12.675 - 00:48:13.635 Diego: That is so dope.

00:48:13.635 - 00:48:14.175 Joshua: Yeah.

00:48:14.175 - 00:48:15.675 Diego: And the same thing with Cementex, man.

00:48:15.675 - 00:48:17.315 Diego: It's like you...

00:48:17.955 - 00:48:20.635 Diego: That's like the superpower of that show.

00:48:20.635 - 00:48:27.315

Diego: It is taking the most unassuming characters, the characters that you're like, that is the stupidest quirk ever.

00:48:27.315 - 00:48:33.855 Diego: And then completely blowing your mind within the right context and the right fight, blowing your mind with how the characters use.

00:48:33.855 - 00:48:34.735 Diego: Yeah.

00:48:34.735 - 00:48:40.535 Diego: And that was like that guy's shining glory moment of badass crowning.

00:48:40.535 - 00:48:41.595 Diego: So cool.

00:48:41.595 - 00:48:42.155 Diego: So there's him.

00:48:42.155 - 00:48:44.995 Diego: There's another chick called Pixie Bob in MHA.

00:48:44.995 - 00:48:46.655 Diego: And she also controls like...

00:48:47.075 - 00:48:49.195 Diego: She controls Earth, though, I think.

00:48:49.195 - 00:48:49.835 Diego: Like she caused...

00:48:49.835 - 00:48:52.475 Diego: There's a scene when she caused like a massive landslide.

00:48:52.475 - 00:48:54.215 Diego: I don't know if you remember who she is.

00:48:54.215 - 00:48:56.555 Diego: She's one of those chicks who wears like big cat paws.

00:48:56.555 - 00:48:57.635

Diego: You remember those?

00:48:57.635 - 00:48:59.315 Diego: I think there was like two or three girls.

00:48:59.315 - 00:49:00.395 Joshua: Pixie Bob?

00:49:00.395 - 00:49:01.075 Diego: Yeah.

00:49:01.075 - 00:49:03.955 Diego: And they wear these big cat paws on their hands.

00:49:03.955 - 00:49:06.995 Diego: And they have like some sort of headgear that kind of looks similar.

00:49:06.995 - 00:49:08.215 Diego: All of them.

00:49:08.675 - 00:49:09.115 Joshua: Oh, yeah.

00:49:09.115 - 00:49:09.415 Joshua: Yeah.

00:49:09.415 - 00:49:09.935 Joshua: Yeah.

00:49:09.935 - 00:49:13.675 Diego: She causes like a huge freaking landslide to happen.

00:49:13.675 - 00:49:15.895 Diego: And like she wipes out a whole bunch of heroes at once.

00:49:17.595 - 00:49:19.335 Diego: So, yeah, there's her.

00:49:19.335 - 00:49:24.435 Diego: And then on the metallic side, there's a character called Wolfram. 00:49:24.495 - 00:49:25.955 Diego: Wolfram?

00:49:25.955 - 00:49:26.995 Diego: Yeah.

00:49:27.375 - 00:49:28.575 Diego: In MHA.

00:49:29.655 - 00:49:35.215 Diego: So they don't want to end the episode without mentioning MHA, that's for sure.

00:49:35.215 - 00:49:36.155 Joshua: Yeah.

00:49:36.155 - 00:49:42.255 Diego: So anything else that you can think of that we need to talk about Earth here?

00:49:42.255 - 00:49:43.795 Diego: And there's some pretty powerful people.

00:49:44.255 - 00:49:47.775 Diego: Like, when you really take the Earth category to mean everything.

00:49:47.775 - 00:49:52.555 Diego: The Terra kinetics, the Metallokinetics, the...

00:49:52.575 - 00:49:53.515 Diego: What is it?

00:49:53.775 - 00:49:55.075 Diego: Botanokinetics?

00:49:55.075 - 00:49:55.615 Joshua: Yeah.

00:49:55.615 - 00:49:59.115 Joshua: Something we didn't mention was Terra from Teen Titans.

00:49:59.135 - 00:49:59.595 Diego: Oh yeah. 00:50:00.655 - 00:50:01.335 Joshua: She...

00:50:01.335 - 00:50:03.255 Joshua: her old thing is she can control it.

00:50:03.355 - 00:50:04.575 Joshua: That's like basically her.

00:50:04.575 - 00:50:04.795 Diego: Right.

00:50:04.795 - 00:50:05.455 Joshua: Yeah.

00:50:05.455 - 00:50:07.435 Joshua: And it's like Earth Earth, l'm pretty sure.

00:50:07.435 - 00:50:07.815 Diego: Yeah.

00:50:07.815 - 00:50:09.655 Joshua: Like, it's not like some offshoot.

00:50:11.055 - 00:50:11.835 Diego: Is there anyone else?

00:50:12.435 - 00:50:17.675 Diego: Or do I feel like there's some kind of villain in DC that can control Earth?

00:50:18.735 - 00:50:19.635 Diego: Could have sworn.

00:50:19.635 - 00:50:20.915 Joshua: I don't know if you mentioned Mr.

00:50:20.915 - 00:50:23.095 Joshua: Free's last episode.

00:50:23.855 - 00:50:25.035

Diego: I don't know.

00:50:25.035 - 00:50:26.995 Diego: I forget.

00:50:26.995 - 00:50:33.675 Diego: Uh, but anyway, yeah, man, the element of Earth, there's a surprising amount of people that are powerful.

00:50:33.675 - 00:50:54.215

Diego: And honestly, given the whole thought that Earth symbolizes stability and it is the thing that we're all standing on, unless you can fly, like if you have the ability in a story to control Earth, you have the ability to, like, cause this crazy level of insecurity to anyone who's coming against you.

00:50:54.215 - 00:50:54.675 Joshua: Yeah.

00:50:54.675 - 00:50:55.715 Diego: You know?

00:50:55.895 - 00:51:03.075

Diego: And I think that's that's one of the cool things that I like about MHA, that it's like they they train very similar in the academy.

00:51:03.075 - 00:51:06.875 Diego: They train very similar to the X-Men in Xavier School.

00:51:06.875 - 00:51:18.415

Diego: And it's like this this like everything they're doing in the danger room is all meant to not for just the individual to get more powerful, but to learn how to collaborate with their with their abilities.

00:51:18.415 - 00:51:22.215 Diego: And that makes for me, it makes the X-Men like really unique.

00:51:22.215 - 00:51:23.895 Diego: And it's the same thing with MHA.

00:51:23.895 - 00:51:35.775

Diego: Like when those big battles, you see like why they go to school because it's like the the the elder leadership level guys, like they're using everybody like chess pieces, right?

00:51:35.775 - 00:51:40.995 Diego: Like in the chessboard, your entire army has different powers, different abilities.

00:51:40.995 - 00:51:44.415 Diego: It's like you're controlling a team of super powered individuals.

00:51:44.415 - 00:51:49.615 Diego: And it's the combination of those capabilities that gives you victory in the end.

00:51:49.615 - 00:51:50.615 Diego: And I think it's really similar.

00:51:50.615 - 00:51:53.635 Diego: And I think the earth people are really threatening.

00:51:53.635 - 00:52:04.035

Diego: They might not seem like it at first, like the big element of water that can blast and wash away and all that stuff or freeze or like fire, right?

00:52:04.035 - 00:52:07.515 Diego: Which is so like imposing and feels and looks so dangerous.

00:52:07.515 - 00:52:14.215

Diego: But when you're talking about being able to control the thing that gives everybody stability, that makes everybody capable of even standing ready to fight.

00:52:14.215 - 00:52:18.975 Joshua: Yeah, because like say like in Earth, you're pretty sure Toph did this in Avatar.

00:52:18.975 - 00:52:26.095 Joshua: Like someone's like running at you, like about to fight you, just like create a chasm underneath them.

00:52:26.095 - 00:52:26.475 Diego: Right.

00:52:26.475 - 00:52:27.895 Joshua: They're just like they're gone.

00:52:27.895 - 00:52:31.595

Diego: Like again, unless they can fly, they're scarred.

00:52:31.595 - 00:52:33.635 Diego: Like what are you going to do against that?

00:52:33.635 - 00:52:34.775 Diego: There's just like nobody.

00:52:34.775 - 00:52:37.455 Diego: You lose your grounding, you lose your footing.

00:52:37.455 - 00:52:39.195 Diego: At that point, you're like a victim of gravity.

00:52:39.835 - 00:52:44.135 Diego: The person doesn't even have to do much if they remove the ground from under you.

00:52:44.135 - 00:52:45.195 Diego: It's pretty great, man.

00:52:45.195 - 00:52:52.375 Diego: Especially once you like start revealing magma, you get to like the layer where you're like dropping into magma.

00:52:52.375 - 00:52:52.775 Diego: Yeah.

00:52:53.155 - 00:53:00.275 Diego: Earth geokinetics can be very dangerous, and all of their derivatives can be very dangerous.

00:53:00.275 - 00:53:02.975 Diego: You know what I keep waiting for in DC Comics?

00:53:02.975 - 00:53:03.195 Joshua: What?

00:53:03.495 - 00:53:17.775

Diego: I keep waiting for like Swamp Thing and Poison Ivy to get tired of everybody killing nature and them becoming a major threat to everybody.

00:53:17.775 - 00:53:19.315

Joshua: And that being like an event comic?

00:53:19.315 - 00:53:20.095 Diego: Yeah.

00:53:20.095 - 00:53:21.515 Diego: I keep waiting for that.

00:53:21.515 - 00:53:23.815 Diego: I'm like, that's like low-hanging fruit right there.

00:53:23.815 - 00:53:34.275 Diego: And if you unite a few other characters who are like peripherally connected to Earth and vegetation and stuff, dude, you could have, it's like a wrestling faction, you know?

00:53:34.275 - 00:53:43.215 Diego: You could have this crazy storyline where like the Earth-bound individuals are like taking control, you know?

00:53:43.215 - 00:53:45.295 Diego: All for the sake of the planet.

00:53:45.295 - 00:53:46.535 Diego: Go Earth!

00:53:46.535 - 00:53:47.095 Diego: Do it, Kwami.

00:53:59.222 - 00:54:08.002 Diego: Thank you all for listening to this episode, the second in the series of the Four Elements, all about the element of Earth.

00:54:08.002 - 00:54:11.402 Diego: This was a lot of fun to research and a lot of fun to discuss.

00:54:11.402 - 00:54:15.282 Diego: It's crazy, the little things and offshoots in the conversation that come up.

00:54:15.282 - 00:54:19.282 Diego: And we apologize to The Rock for not being able to get to him. 00:54:19.282 - 00:54:21.722 Diego: This sounds like the Jimmy Kimmel thing with...

00:54:21.722 - 00:54:23.162 Joshua: Matt Damon.

00:54:23.162 - 00:54:25.662 Joshua: Sorry, Matt Damon, we had no time.

00:54:25.662 - 00:54:28.162 Diego: Sorry, Rock, we couldn't get to you in this episode.

00:54:28.522 - 00:54:41.322 Diego: Anyway, if you want to join the conversation, if you have any kind of like Rock characters or Earth-based characters that you feel we didn't talk about, there's a lot, like when it comes to anime, you know, neither one of us are like deep, deep into anime.

00:54:41.322 - 00:54:44.082 Diego: And anime goes in all crazy directions.

00:54:44.082 - 00:54:48.722 Diego: So like maybe there's a bunch of anime characters out there that you guys can think of and add to the discussion.

00:54:48.722 - 00:54:52.382 Diego: You can go ahead and join the conversation by going over to our website.

00:54:52.382 - 00:54:53.662 Diego: That's geekology101.com.

00:54:55.322 - 00:54:56.982 Diego: There you can find out about us.

00:54:57.082 - 00:54:58.382 Diego: You can see how to subscribe.

00:54:58.382 - 00:55:02.002 Diego: If you scroll all the way down, there's a contact form and that's how you could reach us.

00:55:02.002 - 00:55:06.902

Joshua: Or if you want to hit us up through more traditional means, you can contact us at geekology101podcasts.gmail.com.

00:55:09.242 - 00:55:10.322 Diego: Thank you all for listening.

00:55:10.322 - 00:55:13.362 Diego: Now go get out there and touch some ground, baby.

00:55:13.362 - 00:55:14.282 Joshua: Yeah.

00:55:14.282 - 00:55:15.662 Diego: Earth, just rub it all over you.

00:55:15.662 - 00:55:17.662 Diego: Get those good germs in you.

00:55:17.662 - 00:55:19.062 Diego: Let your kids play in the dirt, too.

00:55:19.062 - 00:55:20.882 Diego: It's really good for their immune system.

00:55:20.882 - 00:55:24.102 Joshua: Just let them like get covered in mud and just don't let them take a bath.

00:55:24.362 - 00:55:24.582 Diego: Yeah.

00:55:24.582 - 00:55:29.442 Diego: Buy yourself a Roomba so they can clean up after they walk into the house full of dirt.

00:55:29.442 - 00:55:31.682 Diego: But go touch dirt and grass, too.

00:55:31.682 - 00:55:32.382 Diego: Touch grass.

00:55:32.382 - 00:55:33.222 Joshua: Maybe a little bit of grass. 00:55:33.742 - 00:55:34.542 Diego: Yeah.

00:55:34.542 - 00:55:35.462 Diego: Sorry again to the Rock.

00:55:35.462 - 00:55:36.262 Diego: Bye.