

Resident Evil

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IF THE SUSPENSE DOESN'T KILL YOU

SOMETHING ELSE WILL

CLOSE ON GLASS VIALS

being lifted from a large medical refrigerator. Gloved hands slip them into a foam lined carry case. The vials are delicate. Filled with a cool blue liquid.

The hands move quickly. Urgently.

INT. OFFICE

Sleek, super hi-tech. The blinds are closed. Can't tell if it's day or night.

Typists type. Assistants assist.

Busy worker bees.

INT. LAB

Same building. Same busy bees.

Lab technicians and scientists in clean white suits.

Working hard, advancing science, making life better.

INT. ELEVATOR

Worker bees and science bees chat and flirt.

Life is good.

INT. SECURITY ROOM

Dozens of metal cages line the walls. Guard dogs.

A sleek black DOBERMAN sniffs the air.

Begins to bark.

CLOSE ON GLASS VIALS

as the last one is lifted from the refrigerator. But in their haste, the gloved hands let the vial slip.

The delicate glass tube tumbles end over end. And crashes to the floor.

CLOSE ON THE FLOOR

covered in shards of glass and blue liquid.

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INT. OFFICE

A pretty secretary in her cubicle. LISA. A cute paperweight on her desk:

"LOVE IS .... NEVER HAVING TO SAY YOU'RE SORRY"

She cradles the phone, whispering, not wanting to be

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overheard. In front of her sits a carry case for glass vials. Similar in design to the one we have already seen, but this one is empty. LISA toys with it nervously.

LISA

I went to the pick up, but there was nothing there .... no serum, no nothing.

(looks around nervously)

I'm worried.

(hesitates)

Easy for you to say, I'm the one in here!

A fire alarm sounds.

LISA almost jumps out of her skin. All around the worker bees look up from their computer screens. In an orderly fashion, they take their jackets from the backs of their seats and head for the door.

Been through this drill a hundred times before.

LISA (CONT'D)

(relieved)

I've got to go. It's nothing .... fire drill. Meet me tonight .... the usual place.

INT. LAB

The men and women of science look up from their experiments. Annoyed at the disturbance. A scientist with GREEN eyes lowers her face mask.

GREEN

(sighs)

Another day, another drill.

A lab technician with BLUE eyes hands GREEN her coat.

BLUE

Come on.

He looks down at GREEN'S work. A half dissected white rabbit.

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INT. ELEVATOR

The elevator stops. A young man seems confused. He wears a GREY suit which looks brand new.

GREY

What is that?

A kindly woman in a BLACK skirt and jacket smiles.

BLACK

Fire alarm new boy. We're going to have to take the stairs.

INT. OFFICE

A crowd that has formed by the doors. LISA is amongst them. A man in a crisp WHITE shirt pushes his way to the front. He's handsome. Looks like he works out.

WHITE

What's the matter?

A woman with long GOLD hair smiles coyly at him. Playing helpless. We smell office flirtation in the air.

GOLD  
The doors won't open.

INT. SECURITY ROOM

The guard dogs are in frenzy. Barking and snarling. Throwing themselves against the cage doors. Sensing that something is wrong. A uninformed guard attempts to calm them. His badge identifies him as CLARENCE.

CLARENCE  
Easy there .... easy there boys!

INT. LAB

The overhead sprinklers go off, showering the science bees with freezing cold water.

BLUE  
Damn It! What happened to the halon system?

GREEN  
Quick get something over the experiments!

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CONTINUED:

She sees her hand written notes by the white rabbit. Already the ink has run. They're ruined.

GREEN (CONT'D)  
Great.

A lab technician with chocolate BROWN eyes stands by the big glass doors that lead out.

BROWN  
The doors won't open.

GREEN  
Forget the doors. Get those slides in a safe place.

INT. ELEVATOR

The elevator is still stopped.

GREY  
(worried)  
Shouldn't the doors open or something?

BLACK  
It's supposed take us to the nearest floor.

Then the lights go out.

GREY  
(very worried)  
Is that supposed to happen?

INT. OFFICE

The worker bees are starting to panic. LISA is amongst them.

LISA  
What about the doors at the back?

WHITE  
Locked as well.

Without warning the Halon system goes off. Pillars of high-pressure gas flood into the room, sucking the oxygen out of the air, making it impossible for a fire to breathe. A fire. Or people.

The worker bees begin to choke.

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INT. ELEVATOR

The emergency lights have activated. Their surreal red glow makes everything seem ten times worse.

GREY  
(rising panic)  
What's going on? Has this happened before? We have to get out of here!

BLACK  
Quiet.

GREY  
What?

BLACK  
Quiet!

They hear a distant roaring sound. Rapidly approaching, like an express train.

GREY  
What is that?

INT. ELEVATOR SHAFT

The stalled car is in the foreground. Beyond it, we see that the shaft is wide enough for another two elevators. Out here, the roaring sound is even louder.

The roaring reaches a crescendo and the source of the noise races past in a blur. It's another elevator. In free-fall.

Inside it, people are screaming.

INT. ELEVATOR

CLOSE ON BLACK AS SHE REALIZES WHAT THE SOUND IS.

BLACK  
Oh my god!

Then the elevator drops. Like a stone.

INT. LAB

Water is still pouring from the sprinkler system. GREEN waves hopelessly at a close circuit camera mounted in the ceiling. We see her image reflected in the lens.

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GREEN

There's no fire here! No fire!

BLUE

You know this water isn't going anywhere.

GREEN looks down at the floor. The water level is rising.

BLUE (CONT'D)

This is a sealed room.

Suddenly things become more urgent.

GREEN

We have to get these doors open.

INT. ELEVATOR

The car is in free-fall. People are screaming. A man has wet himself.

INT. ELEVATOR SHAFT

The emergency brakes kick in. One on each corner of the car. Sparks fly. Metal screams.

INT. ELEVATOR

The car shudders to a halt. People sprawled on the floor. Crying.

INT. LAB

The water is rising.

GREEN and Blue struggle with the door. Without warning a chair bounces violently off the labs glass window, just missing GREEN. The glass isn't scratched.

GREEN (CONT'D)

Jesus! What the hell are you doing?

BROWN advances on the glass with a fire axe.

BROWN

Stand clear!

BLUE

Stop!

BROWN halts. Holding the fire axe aggressively. Ready for a fight.

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BLUE (CONT'D)

Use the other side.

He indicates the other side of the axe head. A single steel point. Sharp as an ice pick.

BLUE (CONT'D)

Better chance of getting through it.

BROWN hefts the axe and strikes the window with as much force as he can.

INT. CORRIDOR OUTSIDE THE LAB

The axe penetrates the glass. Just. A pea sized piece of

glass pops out and bounces across the floor.

INT. OFFICE

The Halon system switches itself off. The worker bees lie sprawled across the floor. Sprawled across their desks, Sprawled across one another. Not one moves.

THE HIVE is dead.

CLOSE ON LISA

amongst the bodies, still and lifeless.

INT. HALL WAY

Three shiny steel doors stand at the centre of the hallway. Bodies are everywhere. Killed as they waited for an elevator.

The eerie silence is broken by a scratching sound. One of the elevator doors pops open an inch. Hands force their way out.

INT. ELEVATOR

The car has stopped between floors. BLACK has to lie on the carpeting to peer out of the gap in the elevator doors.

BLACK

My God!

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GREY

Let me see.

He too sees the bodies in the hallway.

GREY (CONT'D)

We have to get out of here. We have to get out of this building.

A man with RED tie tries to force the doors open wider.

RED

Here .... give me a hand.

GREY

That's as far as they'll go.

RED

They're caught on something.

BLACK

That's wide enough.

She takes her jacket off.

BLACK (CONT'D)

I think I can squeeze through.

She gets down on her knees in front of the doors. The gap is barely 18 inches. It's going to be tight.

BLACK (CONT'D)

I'll get help.

INT. HALLWAY

BLACK squeezes her head through the doors, She's a slim woman, but the gap between the elevator floor and the top of the doorway is also very narrow. Even if she gets out, she's going to have to drop six feet to the floor.

BLACK  
I'm stuck .... you're going to have  
to push.

She inches through a little more.

BLACK (CONT'D)  
That's it. A bit more.

INT. ELEVATOR

CRACK! A sharp metallic sound echoes around the car.

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GREY  
What is that?

INT. ELEVATOR SHAFT

The roof of the elevator. Only three of the four emergency brakes are now holding on. CRACK! Another brake unhooks. All by itself.

INT. ELEVATOR

RED  
Oh Christ! It's the brakes.

GREY begins to push frantically at BLACK. Still trapped half in and half out of the elevator.

GREY  
Get out! We've got to get out.

BLACK  
I can't .... I'm stuck!

CRACK! The third brake goes.

RED  
Push her out of the way .... we have  
to get out.

BLACK  
I can't move!

CRACK! The last brake unhooks. The car begins to drop again.

INT. HALLWAY

BLACK'S P.O.V. We see the floor of the hallway race up at her head. The concrete lip is going to decapitate her. She screams. And at the moment of impact we ....

SMASH CUT TO:

CLOSE UP EYES

Blue eyes snap open. Woken from a bad dream. WIDEN to reveal a woman's face to go with the eyes. It's not perfection, but it's close. We'll call her ALICE.

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INT. BEDROOM DAY.

ALICE sits up. Looks around. Four poster bed, oak paneled walls, painting of George Washington. Through the window she sees the ornate grounds of a manor house. There's even a maze. This could be the 19th maybe even 18th Century.

ALICE steps out of bed. She's twenty one. Naked. I take it back, she is perfection.

Something tumbles from the bedclothes and lands on the floor. ALICE picks it up. A handwritten note:

"TODAY ALL YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE"

ALICE shakes her head. She moves through the room like someone who doesn't know where she is. She stops in front of a full length mirror. Stares at her own naked body. Touches it. Like it was all strange to her. Like she doesn't know who she is.

ALICE stands before an ancient wooden dresser with three drawers. She opens them one at a time.

The first contains crisp starched linens.

The second, neatly ironed women's underwear. Very white, very conservative.

The third, a pair of Uzis with laser sighting, under-slung with miniature grenade launchers.

ALICE stares at the weaponry. The look on her face says it all. Who am I?

INT. MANSION - ENTRANCE HALLWAY DAY.

ALICE descends a sweeping staircase. She's found some clothes. A tight pair of ski pants and a T-shirt. They fit like they're hers, but she can't remember ever having worn them.

The hallway is luxurious and tasteful. Tapestries and paintings of old relatives that ALICE doesn't recognize adorn the walls. But this isn't a quaint old house. There's something in the air.

Something intangible. Something evil.

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INT. MANSION - DINING ROOM DAY.

The table is set for dinner, but there are no guests. No sign of life.

Creepy.

INT. MANSION - STUDY DAY.

A dark oak lined study. The only sound is the ticking of a grandfather clock. ALICE takes a framed photograph from the desk. It's of her and a handsome man. They are standing in front of rose bushes in the garden. He has his arm around her. He wears a wedding ring.

ALICE looks at her own hand. She too wears a simple gold band. This man is her husband?

A sudden shadow falls across the desk. ALICE jumps, startled. Something is moving out in the garden.

ALICE

Hello!

ALICE seems surprised by the sound of her own voice. So that's what she sounds like.

EXT. MANSION - GARDENS - DUSK

ALICE emerges from the study. In front of her is a huge marble statue. A series of bizarre gothic characters dancing round a maypole. A walrus wearing a waistcoat, a rabbit carrying a pocket watch, a bald beaded knight in armor. Both beautiful and also strangely unsettling.

In the distance, she sees movement at the entrance to the ornate hedge maze.

ALICE

Hello!

But there's no reply. In the distance the sky is starting to darken.

EXT. MAZE - DUSK

ALICE is following someone or something deeper and deeper into the maze. Dusk is turning rapidly to night, and the shadows within the maze are beginning to deepen. With every corner ALICE turns, the tension mounts.

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EXT. MAZE - CENTER - DUSK

ALICE is about to turn back when she suddenly stumbles upon the middle of the maze. At the very center point is a chair. And in the chair, a man sitting with his back to her.

ALICE

Hello.

The man doesn't reply.

ALICE (CONT'D)

I'm not sure if I belong here.

ALICE cautiously approaches him.

ALICE (CONT'D)

I woke up ....and I can't remember.

The man still doesn't speak. Doesn't even move. She reaches out to touch his shoulder.

MACE (CONT'D)

Are you alright?

He is cold to her touch. Very cold.

ALICE (CONT'D)

I ....

THE CAMERA tracks around to reveal that she has her hand on the shoulder of a statue. ALICE sighs. With relief. With embarrassment. The statue is of an old man with a top hat in his lap. The hat has a price tag - "In This style 12/6".

MATT (V.O.)

Freeze! Don't move.

The sudden voice SCARES THE SHIT OUT OF US.

MATT (CONT'D)

Now put your hands on the chair. Do it!

ALICE does it. This guy sounds tough.

MATT (CONT'D)

What are you doing here?

MATT frisks her. We still haven't seen his face.

ALICE

I think I live here.

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MATT (O.S.)

You think.

ALICE

I just woke up .... I don't remember anything.

MATT (O.S.)

You're clean. Turn around.

ALICE finally sees him. Smart blue uniform, fresh faced. Not what she was expecting.

ALICE

You're a little young for a policeman aren't you?

MATT

I get a lot of that.

He holsters his gun.

MATT (CONT'D)

Who else is in the house?

ALICE

No one .... but I didn't look everywhere.

MATT starts to head back to the mansion.

MATT

Come on .... I got a call to check the place out.

Below MATT'S police badge is the name of a town - RACCOON CITY.

ALICE

Where is that?

MATT

What?

ALICE

The town.

MATT

You're kidding right?

ALICE shakes her head.

MATT (CONT'D)

It's just over that hill.

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ALICE is still none the wiser.

MATT (CONT'D)  
You really don't know anything do  
you?

EXT. MANSION - GARDENS - NIGHT

The two walk back to the house.

ALICE  
What were you doing in the maze?

MATT  
Thought I saw someone.

MATT looks up at the mansion. We get the feeling he wants to  
change the subject.

MATT (CONT'D)  
How can you live here? Place looks  
haunted.

ALICE  
Wait.

MATT  
What?

ALICE turns to face the dark sky. A sudden breeze blows  
through her hair.

ALICE  
Do you hear that?

The breeze intensifies and for a moment the night sky is  
blocked out. Above them, a dark void, twin rotors chopping  
silently through the night air. A Darkwing helicopter on  
stealth mode. It disappears over the roof of the mansion,  
losing altitude, coming in for a landing.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
You call for back up?

MATT  
No.

INT. MANSION - ENTRANCE HALLWAY NIGHT.

MATT and ALICE race through the house. Through the windows  
they can see the Darkwing squatting on the lawn. They are  
halfway to the entrance when the doors are almost blown off  
their hinges.

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A dozen COMMANDOS stream in. A tight, disciplined group,  
dressed in black and armed to the teeth. If you find guns  
and body armor sexy, you just came.

They don't ask ALICE and MATT to get to the floor. They just  
knock them down. Within seconds MATT has been relieved of  
his badge and gun.

One of the COMMANDOS, TWELVE, slides an ancient oak panel to one side, revealing a computer jack point. He flips up the screen on his sleek wrist computer and jacks in.

The leader of the Away Team stands above ALICE. Granite jaw, gravel voice, Alpha Dog Number ONE.

ONE  
Report.

ALICE  
(confused)  
What?

ONE  
I want your report soldier.

ALICE  
I don't know what you're talking about.

TWELVE  
Sir.

TWELVE looks up from his computer. Floating an inch above it is a detailed holographic schematic of the mansion. As the schematic slowly revolves, a flashing text streamer reads:

LOOKING GLASS HOUSE - STATUS - DEFENSIVE

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
The house's primary defenses have been activated. She's probably still suffering the side effects.

ONE  
Very well.

He snatches MATT'S badge and tosses it to TWELVE.

ONE (CONT'D)  
What about the cop?

TWELVE enters MATT'S badge number into his computer. The holographic Schematic of Looking Glass House is replaced by the names and badge numbers of all the local police.

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TWELVE  
(shakes his head)  
I'm not getting verification.

ONE  
(to Matt)  
Who are you?

MATT  
I'm a cop .... a local cop.

TWELVE  
No sir.

ONE takes out his sidearm. Points it straight at MATT.

MATT  
I just transferred! I'm a rookie .... first day. They probably don't even have me on file yet.

ONE turns to his subordinate.

ONE

Well?

TWELVE

(shrugs)

The locals are inefficient. It's possible

ONE lowers his gun. MATT remembers to breathe.

ONE

Print him.

Two COMMANDOS grab MATT. They extend his right hand and hold it rigid. TWELVE uses a tiny laser scanner to take MATT'S fingerprints.

MATT

You can't do this... this is an invasion of my civil liberties!

TWELVE

Blow me.

MATT struggles, but to no avail.

J.D.

(to Alice)

Nice ass!

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One of the COMMANDOS is staring at her ass.

ALICE

(shocked)

What!

Another Commando, a woman, intervenes.

RAIN

Go easy on Sleeping Beauty. She's lost her memory.

J.D.

(bragging)

No woman forgets me.

RAIN

Sure...once they've seen how tiny you are, how could they?

J.D.

Fuck you.

RAIN

Already did. I think I slept through it.

ALICE

(bewildered)

Who are you people?

J.D. slaps his chest.

J.D.

J.D. Nelson at your service, and

this fine figure of a woman is Rain.

RAIN  
Parents were hippies .... my revenge  
was to enlist.

ALICE  
(disbelief)  
You people are the military?

RAIN  
(laughs)  
Not quite.

ALICE  
Then who are you?

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CONTINUED:(4)

J.D.  
You loose your eyesight as well as  
your memory gorgeous?

He points to the badge on his flak jacket. It reads:  
SANITATION.

RAIN  
We clean up the mess that others  
leave behind.

TWELVE (O.S.)  
I got him!

TWELVE'S computer spits out details on MATT. The list is  
long.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
(surprised)  
Jesus, this guy's got red flags  
everywhere. Quantico, Vicap, he's on  
all the data banks. Matthew Frost,  
a.k.a. Matthew Pryce, Matthew Wayne,  
Matt Zabrowaki.

ONE  
(to Matt)  
Who the fuck are you cowboy?

MATT doesn't reply.

TWELVE  
This guy's a real activist, Wanted  
for multiple counts of Eco  
terrorism. He's sabotaged seal  
culls, oil refineries, whale hunts,  
animal testing labs, chemical  
weapons plants, nuclear facilities  
.... the list goes on.

ONE  
You got something to do with what's  
going on here?

MATT  
I don't know what you're talking  
about.

ONE

Sure you don't.

He nods to J.D. and Rain.

ONE (CONT'D)

Cuff him.

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They force MATT to his knees and secure his hands behind his back.

J.D.

Should I secure him here?

ONE

No .... he may not be alone, We take him with us.

ONE turns to face the team.

ONE (CONT'D)

Prep for entry to the Hive.

EXT. DARKWING - NIGHT

Its cargo unloaded, the helicopter rises back up into the night sky.

INT. DARICWING - COCKPIT NIGHT.

The PILOT is bathed in the cool green wash of the H.U.D. The team leader's voice comes through with digital clarity.

ONE (O.S.)

This is Alpha. Team preparing for entry to the Hive. We'll be out of contact till we secure a hard wire.

PILOT

Roger sir.

INT. MANSION - ENTRANCE HALLWAY NIGHT.

TWELVE flips open a tile on the intricate floor mosaic. Reveals another jack point.

ONE

(to Alice)

Sit on the floor.

She sits down beside MATT. His hands are tightly manacled. Bruises already starting to show.

MATT

Nice friends you have.

TWELVE watches the scrolling holographic numbers that hover above his computer.

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TWELVE

Entry to the Hive in three...two...one.

FROM ABOVE we see the pattern on the floor. A giant Art Deco spiral that suddenly begins to move. Arms of the spiral

starting to unlock as a huge chunk of the floor begins to sink beneath the ground.

ALICE watches amazed as the floor they are sitting on slips gracefully beneath the earth. Ancient wood paneled walls being replaced with polished high tech steel plates.

ALICE  
What the hell is going on here?

MATT  
(cynical)  
Mostly it's bad...all of it's illegal.

J.D.  
Shut it!

MATT does as he's told. ALICE gets to her feet and approaches the team leader.

ALICE  
(unsure)  
Sir?

ONE  
What is it soldier?

ALICE  
How deep are we going?

ONE  
Right to the bottom.

ALICE  
And when we get there?

ONE  
We're going to see the Queen. And then kill her.

INT. DARKWING - COCKPIT NIGHT.

The Pilot sets a clock on the H.U.D. to 03 hours 00 minutes. The numbers begin to count down. He picks up his mic, but waits till the H.U.D. reads SECURE before sending a message.

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PILOT  
Darkwing to White Queen .... Alpha Team has entered the Hive. All communications down. Awaiting hard wire response.

WHITE QUEEN (O.S.)  
Roger Darkwing. The clock is running.

INT. CAVERN NIGHT.

The platform carrying ALICE and the Sanitation Team comes to rest in a vast underground cavern. This is a natural creation, but the hand of man is everywhere. As well as the hydraulics for the platform, there are also several temporary structures used for storage.

A set of runway lights are laid out on the stone floor. They lead to a pair of thick steel doors set in the cavern walls.

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The doors bear the logo of the UMBRELLA CORPORATION.

ONE glances at the digital counter on his left wrist. It reads 02:58:24. We see that the rest of the team carry identical timepieces. The seconds are ticking away.

ONE

Move out!

Lying halfway between the platform and the doors is the body of a man called SPENCE. ALICE immediately recognizes him from the photograph in the study. The man with his arm around her. The man that wears her ring.

ALICE

Oh my God ....it's my husband.

J.D.

(laughs)

He's not your husband.

ONE

Life signs?

MEDIC

Affirmative. He must have caught a dose of gas topside .... passed out by the time he made it down here.

ONE

Bring him round.

The MEDIC snaps a plastic vial under SPENCE'S nose. He comes round instantly.

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SPENCE

What?

MEDIC

Lie still, Watch this light. Follow it.

The Medic runs through a standard set of tests. SPENCE follows them without fail.

MEDIC (CONT'D)

Now how many fingers am I holding up?

SPENCE

Three.

MEDIC

Raise your left hand. Good. Now tell me your name.

SPENCE

I...I can't remember.

MEDIC

He's fine. Memory loss, just like the other.

By now ALICE is looking as confused as SPENCE.

ALICE

But if he's not my husband ....then

who is he?

She hold up her wedding ring.

ALICE (CONT'D)

And what about this?

INT. CAVERN - LATER

The Away Team have set up a piece of heavy industrial cutting gear. They are burning a hole in the locking mechanism of the large steel doors. MATT stands at a distance, under guard by one of the COMMANDOS. Clearly no one here trusts him. ALICE and SPENCE also stand slightly apart from the others. ONE is with them.

ONE

The building above us, Looking Glass House, is the primary entrance to the Hive. You and your husband are soldiers. Placed there to protect that entrance.

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ALICE

We're not married?

ONE

A cover story to allay suspicion. Secrecy is paramount. No one was to know of the Hive's existence.

ALICE

But I saw a photograph

ONE

Look.

He opens a drawer in one of the storage units. Inside are a dozen framed photographs. A dozen different happy couples standing in exactly the same pose, in front of exactly the same set of rose bushes.

ONE (CONT'D)

You rotate shifts at the house.

ALICE is reeling. Having trouble taking all this in.

SPENCE

You okay?

ALICE

Yeah...I'll be fine.

SPENCE

Why can't we remember anything?

ONE

The Hive has its own defense mechanisms are all computer controlled. You and your partner were intended as the first line of defense in the mansion. If you were killed or incapacitated, then the computer could deploy its own defenses. A nerve agent released through hidden vents in the house.

Primary effect of the gas is complete unconsciousness, lasting anything up to four hours. Secondary effects are varied, but can include acute memory loss.

SPENCE

For how long?

ONE

Subjective. An hour, a day, a week.

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ALICE

(shrugs)

Great.

SPENCE

So we were attacked?

ONE

No...I'm afraid things are a little more complicated than that.

The cutting equipment suddenly stops.

RAIN

Sir, We've breached the Hive.

INT. THE HIVE - CORRIDOR NIGHT.

The heavy steel doors slide aside to reveal a familiar looking corridor. The HIVE is the office building we had seen at the start of the movie. The blinds were closed, because there are no windows here. The whole structure is underground.

The Medic uses a hand held device to sample the air.

MEDIC

Halon content in the air is high.  
That must be how she killed then.

ONE

Do we need masks?

MEDIC

No, it's breathable now.

TWELVE jacks into a computer point by the doors.

ONE

Status.

TWELVE

Red Queen is down to basic logic functions.

ONE

Which means?

TWELVE

She could just about manage a game of Pong. She's no threat.

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INT. THE HIVE - ELEVATOR SHAFT

The COMMANDOS force open the doors to the shaft. Far below they can see the crumpled remnants of the cars.

ONE

Looks like we're taking the stairs.

INT. THE HIVE - STAIRS

As the team descend the stairs, ALICE falls in beside ONE.

ALICE

Who is the Red Queen?

ONE

The super computer which controls the Hive. State of the art A.I. created by the same corporation which built this place.

ALICE

You mean this isn't a military base?

ONE

Private enterprise. Umbrella Corp. could buy and sell the military.  
(wry smile)  
They pay better too.

ALICE

And you're here to kill the Queen?

ONE

Put a bolt right through the bitch's logic box.

INT. THE HIVE - CORRIDOR OUTSIDE THE LAB

The same science lab we had seen at the start of the movie.

The team approach the glass wall which separates the lab from the corridor. There are seven narrow jets of water which shoot out from the window. Seven pea sized holes punched in the glass by BROWN'S fire axe.

The lab itself has totally filled with water. Floor to ceiling. The water is murky. Visibility zero. SPENCE peers into the gloom. There's something in there...can't quite make it out.

SUDDENLY something BUMPS against the glass. In BIG CLOSE UP we see BROWN'S hideously distorted face.

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CONTINUED:

SPENCE jumps back in fright. He loses his dignity, the audience lose their popcorn.

GREEN, BLUE and BROWN have all drowned. GREEN'S face also floats close to the glass, her features bloated, but her eyes as beautiful as ever. Her mouth is frozen in a dying scream.

MACE

What happened?

ONE

Four hours ago, Red Queen went homicidal. Sealed the Hive and tried to kill everyone within it.

TWELVE

When we realized what was happening,  
White Queen was brought on line to  
try and control her sister.

ALICE

White Queen?

ONE

An identical computer based at  
1~ORAD. The two of them fought it  
out. An electronic Battle Royale.  
After 2.7 seconds it was over. Red  
Queen was disabled, and we were  
dispatched to finish her off.

ALICE

Why did she do it?

TWELVE

We don't know.

J.D.

(aggressive)

But I'm sure our bogus cop has a few  
answers...

He shoves MATT.

J.D. (CONT'D)

...don't you?

MATT

I don't have anything to do with  
this.

RAIN

Then what were you doing topside? A  
spot of gardening?

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CONTINUED:(2)

J.D.

Maybe we should do a little pruning  
ourselves ...

J.D. produces a knife. Holds it by MATT'S crotch.

J.D. (CONT'D)

get some answers.

ONE

Leave him .... we've got  
professionals for that kind of  
thing.

MATT

I'm sure you do.

J.D. leans in close to MATT. The wolfish smile has a  
sadistic edge to it.

J.D.

(whispers)

Just to let you know. If you're  
responsible for this. I'm going to  
make sure you pay .... personally.

The team begins to move off.

MATT  
(to Alice)  
I don't kill people .... you have to believe me.

ALICE looks at him like he were dirt on her shoe.

ALICE  
Sure .... I believe you.

She walks off. J.D. shoves MATT ahead of him.

J.D.  
Move it.

TWELVE takes one last look into the flooded lab. Into GREEN'S dead staring eyes.

TWELVE  
Poor bastards.

As he hurries after the rest of the team, we hold on GREEN'S dead face. After a moment SHE TURNS HER EYES to follow TWELVE.

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INT. THE HIVE - CORRIDOR NIGHT.

RAIN stands by a set of heavy blast doors which are blocking their progress. She's working on the locking mechanism.

ONE  
How's it coming?

RAIN  
Most of these doors are magnetically sealed. We're not going to get them open till we sever the power.

ONE  
Can we cut through?

RAIN  
It'll take time.

ONE checks his timepiece. 02:15:32

ONE  
Find an alternate route.

CLOSE ON THE WEDDING RING

as ALICE slips it from her finger. Inside the band of gold is an inscription:

"PROPERTY OF UMBRELLA CORP."

MATT (O.S.)  
Sorry to hear about the marriage.

ALICE looks up to see MATT.

ALICE  
Leave me alone.

MATT  
I'm really not the man you think I am.

ALICE  
Why do you care what I think?

MATT  
Because I don't have many friends  
down here. And I have the feeling I  
may need one.

ALICE  
  
And why is that?

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CONTINUED:

MATT  
Listen. Do you hear it?

ALICE listens carefully. It's barely audible, but it's  
there. A low groaning sound. It seems almost human. Almost.

ALICE  
What is that?

MATT  
I don't know. But I've been hearing  
it since we entered this place.

He looks up at the grille that covers one of the air ducts.

MATT (CONT'D)  
It's coming from the vents.

AIR VENT - CONTINUOUS

We see ALICE and MATT from inside the darkened air shaft. Is  
there something inside? Something watching them?

ALICE  
(unsure)  
Air conditioning?

MATT shakes his head.

MATT  
I just hope your friends know what  
they're doing.

INT. SPECIMEN ROOM

TWELVE punches in an access code - 667 - and a heavy steel  
door slides away to reveal a vast room filled with specimen  
tanks. The tanks are made of circular plexi and reach from  
floor to ceiling. There are literally hundreds of them, and  
with no clear way through the room, they form a grotesque  
kind of maze.

Each tank is filled with a viscous liquid and some new  
exciting monstrosity. Animals spliced together. Skeletons  
that look barely human. Some that clearly aren't.

Bioengineering run amok.

RAIN  
Now this is some surreal shit right  
here.

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CONTINUED:

MATT  
Pretty isn't it?  
(to Alice)  
Gene splicing, cloning, chemical  
testing all of it illegal. Banned by  
international law. That's why  
Umbrella hides it away down here.

J.D.  
(angry)  
Who the tuck asked your opinion?

For a moment, it looks like J.D. may explode. He really  
doesn't like MATT.

ONE defuses the situation.

ONE  
J.D you and Rain secure this exit.

ONE (CONT'D)  
The rest of you, with me.

CLOSE ON ALICE

as she wanders through the room. She sees human bodies  
stripped of their skin, just the bare musculature on show.  
Mesmerized by the freak show, she doesn't realize that she  
is being slowly separated from the others. This room does  
indeed function like a maze, and ALICE is becoming lost.

She stops in front of one tank. It contains a strange four  
legged CREATURE with no eyes and a grotesque long tongue.  
Perhaps this was human once, but that was a long time ago.

The liquid the dead Creature is kept in is being constantly  
circulated, and the movement makes the three foot long  
tongue sway. It shines past the Plexiglas, as though it were  
licking it. Up close, the pink fleshy tongue is covered in a  
thousand tiny barbs.

This is the stuff of nightmares. Really fucked up  
nightmares. The kind serial killers have.

ALICE looks away from the tank and realizes that the rest of  
the team have disappeared. She is alone in this grotesque  
maze. Where literally anything could be hiding. She suddenly  
senses movement. Something refracted through the curved  
glass of a specimen tank, Something horrifying.

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ALICE turns and Bam! Comes face to face with ONE. ALICE  
tries to stifle a scream, but doesn't quite succeed.

ONE  
Don't wander off.

ALICE  
(embarrassed)  
Sorry.

She glances back at the monstrous Creature in the tank.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
When I get my memory back, am I  
going to know what kind of stuff  
went on down here?

ONE

No.

ALICE

And I don't suppose you want to tell me?

ONE

You suppose right soldier.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

A glass walled control booth looks out onto a long stainless steel corridor. The metal is so highly polished it hurts to look at.

SPENCE

What's taking so long?

TWELVE is operating three plasma screen laptops simultaneously, running multiple bypasses on the control room computers.

TWELVE

Red Queen's just beyond that door.

TWELVE indicates a thick vault door at the end of the steel corridor.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

And she's well protected.

Above the door sits an infra red camera with a Weapons Cluster built around it.

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TWELVE (CONT'D)

High explosive, armor piercing, C.S. gas, this baby has it all.

Every five seconds the camera pans the corridor, the Weapons Cluster following the sweep, prepared to annihilate anything that crosses its path.

SPENCE

I thought she was going to have trouble with Pong?

ONE

We don't believe in taking risks.

It's clear that ONE doesn't want him bothering his men any more, so SPENCE drifts over to ALICE instead.

SPENCE

So ....

He looks ALICE over and twirls the wedding ring suggestively around his finger.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

Man and wife.

ALICE

Our cover.

SPENCE

Living in that house together. Late

at night. You think we ... you know?

ALICE  
(very certain)  
I don't think so.

In the steel corridor, the Weapons Cluster powers down.

TWELVE  
We're in!

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

ONE leads the Away Team towards the vault door. They advance cautiously, still wary of any potential traps.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

TWELVE is still at his station by the three laptops. He and ALICE watch through the glass wall as the Away Team advances.

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CONTINUED:

She's clearly impressed by ONE'S leadership. Maybe a little taken with him as well.

ALICE  
He's a cool customer.

TWELVE  
Kept us all alive a long time.

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

ONE stands before the vault door. This thing look like it could withstand an atomic bomb, ONE places a tiny electronic box over the vault's locking mechanism.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

ONE (O.S.)  
Transmitter in position.

TWELVE fires up his three computers.

TWELVE  
Roger...running the bypass.

ALICE, MATT and SPENCE watch as thousands of letters and numbers scroll across the three plasma screens. On the first computer, the possibilities quickly reduce, and then settle on a simple code:

RQ KR 4 WQ QB 4 WQ QB 5 - UNLOCK

After a moment the second screen reads:

WQ KB 8 WQ QB 8 RK K 2 - UNLOCK

Then the third and final screen:

WK KB 5 RQ K WQ QR 6 - UNLOCK

TWELVE sits back, satisfied.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
Checkmate.

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

The vault door reverberates as its giant locking mechanisms come undone. Thirty inches of steel plate swing aside to reveal a high domed chamber bathed in red light. The lair of the Red Queen.

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CONTINUED:

ONE  
Forward in teams.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

ALICE, MATT and SPENCE watch in fascination as ONE unhooks what looks like a miniature rocket launcher from his belt.

ALICE  
What is that?

TWELVE  
That's what's going to put the Queen to sleep. The shells are tipped with depleted uranium.

SPENCE  
They're radioactive?

TWELVE  
No .... it's what's left of uranium once nuclear fission is over.

MATT  
Ten times heavier than lead.

TWELVE  
What the hell kind of environmentalist are you?

MATT  
(shrugs)  
I read "Guns and Ammo".

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

The first team of COMMANDOS are just about to enter the Queen's chamber when without warning, a thick blast door suddenly SLAMS down.

It separates the Away Team from the control room, cutting off their escape route.

ONE  
Twelve?

INT. CONTROL ROOM

TWELVE scrambles for an answer, his fingers flying between the three keyboards.

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CONTINUED:

TWELVE  
Some kind of dormant defense mechanism, we must have tripped it when we opened the door.

ONE (O.S.)  
Well put it back to sleep.

TWELVE

Working on it.

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

ONE keeps a tight rein on his troops. Allowing no one to panic.

ONE

Hold your positions! Everyone stay calm!

COMMANDO

What's that?

From within the Queen's chamber comes a sudden movement. A horizontal beam of red light. Traveling down the corridor at high speed.

ONE

Down! Down!

ONE drags the Commando beside him to the ground as the wire thin beam of light passes overhead.

COMMANDO

My fingers ....

The Commando stares at his right hand. All four fingers are missing.

COMMANDO (CONT'D)

.... what happened to my fingers?

They are lying on the highly polished floor. Along with the remains of his gun, also neatly sliced in half. The Commando begins to go into shock.

ONE

Medic!

The Medic is standing close by. Unmoving.

ONE (CONT'D)

Medic!

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Blood begins to pour from a razor thin line around the Medic's neck. Then his head peels off and tumbles to the floor.

The headless body remains standing for a moment. Then it falls to its knees and pitches forward.

COMMANDO 2

(terrified)

What the fuck was that?

ONE

Laser beam. Stay out of its way ....  
it'll cut straight through you.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

ALICE and MATT are trying to force the heavy steel blast door open.

ALICE

We've got to get them out of there!

SPENCE  
(to Twelve)  
Help then.

TWELVE  
I'm trying!

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

ONE ties a bloody tourniquet around the remains of the Commando's hand.

ONE  
Stay conscious...you're going into shock ... you have to stay awake!

COMMANDO 2  
It's coming back!

The thin line of laser light streaks back towards them. This time it is just above ankle level, like a trip wire. Commando 2 tries to jump over it, but the laser adjusts, suddenly raising in height.

Commando 2 is caught off guard and sliced neatly in two. He stays conscious for a couple of seconds. Just long enough to see the horror of his own body falling apart.

Only ONE has survived.

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He has leaped into the air and stayed there, his feet braced against either wall of the corridor. The laser beam has passed right underneath him, only just missing. A knife that hangs from his belt is cut clean in two. The metal blade clatters to the steel floor below.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

ALICE and SPENCE struggle with the blast door. They are starting to inch it open.

But the laser wire is coming back for ONE.

ONE (O.S.)  
Shut it down! Shut it down!

TWELVE  
Almost there.

Streams of letters and numbers chase across his computer screens as TWELVE closes in on the override code.

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

ONE readies himself as the laser wire races towards him. It is at waist level, but could alter at any moment.

ONE stands his ground. Ready to pit his lightning reflexes against those of the computer. His concentration is absolute.

At the last second, the single thin laser wire switches to a grid. Fifty interlocking laser lines fanning a deadly net from which there is no escape.

ONE

Shit!

The laser grid dices him into three inch cubes.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

The others watch in horror as ONE'S body literally falls apart.

Everyone in the corridor is dead.

The team have been wiped out in under thirty seconds.

TWELVE'S laptop beeps. Breaking the silence. It has cracked the override code.

In the steel corridor laser flickers and dies.

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Too little. Too late.

TWELVE

Alright ....

He gets uncertainly to his feet.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

Let's do it.

SPENCE

(incredulous)

What?

TWELVE

We have to complete the mission.

SPENCE glances into the steel corridor.

SPENCE

I'm not going in there.

TWELVE

Her defenses are down.

SPENCE

Deja vu anyone? You're on your own.

TWELVE takes a deep breath.

TWELVE

Alright.

INT. STEEL CORRIDOR

TWELVE stands at the threshold of the corridor. His eyes flick from one detail to another. The end of the corridor dead body .... the vault door .... dead body .... ONE'S missile launcher...death .... the security camera silently watching .... death .... death .... more death...

TWELVE

(losing it)

Alright .... get a grip .... calm down.

ALICE (O.S.)

Hey.

The sudden voice makes TWELVE jump out of his skin. He turns to see ALICE at his shoulder.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
Want some company?

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CLOSE UP EYES

Dead and staring. One of the COMMANDOS. We can still see the surprise frozen on his face. ALICE and TWELVE edge their way past the body.

Side by side, jacked up on adrenaline. Ready for anything.

ALICE  
By the way...you got a name?

He indicates the patch on his shoulder.

TWELVE  
Twelve.

ALICE  
That's a number, not a name.

TWELVE  
Isiab Tagawa Mercurio.

MACE  
Catchy.

TWELVE  
That's why Twelve stuck.

ALICE  
I'd introduce myself but...

She shrugs. Doesn't even know her own name.

INT. THE QUEEN'S CHAMBER

Flooded with red light, this is the very heart of THE HIVE. The room pulses with a life of its own.

TWELVE now carries the missile launcher. The trigger is slick with blood.

He approaches a computer console at the centre of the room. Circular in design, and just over four feet high, it resembles a giant chess piece.

GIRL (V.0.)  
Get out!

A beautiful sixteen year old GIRL walks from the shadows. She's furious, her hands clenched in anger.

GIRL (CONT'D)  
Get out! You can't be in here!

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CONTINUED:

TWELVE walks straight up to the Girl and then steps CLEAN THROUGH HER!

TWELVE  
Holographic representation of the  
Red Queen.

GIRL-RED QUEEN

You have to get out!

TWELVE begins to set up the missile launcher, oblivious to the angry youth at his side.

TWELVE

Head programmer's daughter.

RED QUEEN

I wouldn't advise this.

TWELVE

(to Alice)

Don't listen to anything she says.

RED QUEEN

Disabling me will result in loss of primary power.

TWELVE

She's only trying to deceive us...

RED QUEEN

You'll never be able to reach the surface.

TWELVE

.... confuse us ....

RED QUEEN

Everything I have done has been for your own good.

TWELVE

.... she'll say anything to stop us shutting her down.

TWELVE readies the rocket launcher. He stands before a glowing red lens at the top of the console. The Red Queen's "eye"

RED QUEEN

The console is armored. You won't penetrate it.

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He points

TWELVE

Uranium tipped shells.

ALICE

Ten times heavier than lead.

The rocket launcher straight at the Queen's eye.

RED QUEEN

(desperate)

I implore you.

TWELVE

Implore away.

RED QUEEN

Please ....

Red Queen's pleading voice sounds almost human. A vulnerable young girl.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

.... please!

TWELVE'S finger tightens. Fourteen pounds of pressure on a fifteen pound trigger. He's going to do it.

All the humanity suddenly vanishes from Red Queen's voice.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

(cold)

You're all going to die down here.

TWELVE fires.

The missile penetrates the console.

The image of the Queen and then the lights in the chamber flicker and die.

For a second, inky darkness. Then the emergency lighting kicks in.

This new menacing half light is accompanied by a heavy metallic pounding noise. Distant to start with, but gradually drawing closer. Like a giant's footsteps slowly approaching.

ALICE

What is that?

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CONTINUED:(3)

TWELVE

Most of the doors down here are magnetic locking. When we cut the main power, we popped them all wide open. Getting out should be a lot easier than coming in.

INT. THE HIVE - VARIOUS

A MONTAGE OF SHOTS show heavy steel doors opening all across the complex.

Even the door to the flooded science lab slides open, allowing a torrent of water to race into the corridor.

The bodies of GREEN, BLUE and BROWN are swept along in the tide.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

TWELVE

Here it is. Her logic chip.

TWELVE holds a small BOX in his hand. The size of a single CD case, its surface is covered in a pattern of black and white squares, like a miniature chess board.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

The essence of the Red Queen condensed on a single microprocessor.

SPENCE

Is it safe?

TWELVE

Don't worry. She can't do anything from in there. It's like putting the genie back in the bottle.

SPENCE

You mean she's not dead?

TWELVE

Are you kidding? Do you know how much she cost? They'll try to put her right, or at least figure out what went wrong.

MATT

So it's okay for a computer to kill people. You just send her to the shrink. If she were a person, she'd fry.

TWELVE

People don't cost as much as she does.

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CONTINUED:

MATT

That's a real nice attitude you have.

TWELVE ignores him.

TWELVE

With the main power down, there'll be no ventilation.

(packs up his equipment)

The air's going to start getting stale pretty soon.

INT. SPECIMEN ROOM

The labyrinth of horror. Looks even worse by the dim glow of the emergency lights.

TWELVE

Everybody stay close.

ALICE shoots him a look. That's one major piece of unneeded advice. TWELVE takes the lead as they head through the giant room. But the deeper they go, the greater the sense of unease. The specimens seem to be watching them. Leering at them.

A SUDDEN FLASH OF MOVEMENT. A glimpse of something hideous, seen through the curved glass of the specimen jars. Was it just a trick, a distortion of the glass, or is there something else in here with them?

Unease becomes dread.

SPENCE slows. Almost stops. Without thinking, he's holding his breath. Just like the audience. We all sense it. Something terrible is about to happen.

SUDDENLY a clawed HAND on his neck. Digging in, biting into the flesh.

SPENCE SCREAMS and turns to face the horror.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

What the fuck are you doing?

It's J.D. He and RAIN are where ONE left them. Guarding the retreat.

J.D.

Quiet.

They all listen.

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CONTINUED:

The shuffle of feet? And a low moaning noise. Almost human. Almost.

SPENCE

What is that?

ALICE and MATT share a look. This is the same noise they had heard through the air vents. Only now it's closer. Now it's in the room with them.

RAIN

There.

She sees movement behind one of the specimen tanks.

RAIN (CONT'D)

Over there.

J.D.

No .... there!

J.D. sees another one. Whatever they are, they're all around.

SPENCE

What the fuck is down here?

J.D.

I'm not waiting to find out. Now move!

J.D. pushes them towards the exit.

RAIN

we're almost there .... keep going!

The exit is just ahead. Something big moves behind one of the tanks. S.D. lets loose a burst from his M16. The tank shatters sending broken plexi and fluid everywhere. They still haven't seen their pursuers.

J.D.

Run!

They do. ALICE sprinting ahead, straight into A figure in a lab coat. A WOMAN. Her tongue is swollen and bloated. Her death was painful and slow. You can see it in what's left of her face.

THE UNDEAD HAVE ARRIVED.

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CONTINUED:(2)

ALICE screams as the UNDEAD WOMAN hinges at her. The Woman's

actions are slow and jerky, but ALICE is caught by surprise and knocked to the ground. She struggles to get up, but the weight of the Undead Woman keeps her pinned to the floor.

ALICE looks into the Woman's dead eyes, which stare straight back at her. There's no life left here, but there is something else. A terrible, terrible hunger.

RAIN kicks the Woman off. She rolls over and begins to get up. Broken ribs mean nothing. Pain means nothing.

RAIN empties a round into her chest. Then another, then another. Still the Woman advances. Bullets mean nothing.

The M16 dry clicks. Empty.

TWELVE moves to help when two more UNDEAD loom behind him. One grabs his arms, the other his hair. He struggles to break free, but can't.

TWELVE

Help me!

But J.D. can't hear over the sound of his own gunfire. He's blasting away at the rising tide of undead.

ALICE sits with her back against one of the tanks. In a state of shock. Traumatized.

WE SEE but she doesn't - a figure moving behind the tank, circling towards her. Its monstrous face distorted even more by the coned Plexiglas.

RAIN struggles with the Undead Woman. Trying to hold her off. To keep the teeth from her throat.

MATT

(to Spence)

Help them!

MATT is helpless, his hands still cuffed. SPENCE surveys the scene. Sees ALICE in shock. TWELVE and RAIN pinned by the Undead. J.D. nowhere to be seen.

Then he bolts for the exit.

One of the Undead bites down hard on TWELVE'S shoulder. He screams in pain.

RAIN struggles with the Undead Woman. She has RAIN by the hair.

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RAIN

Bitch!

RAIN grabs her by the head and twists. The UNDEAD'S neck snaps with a hollow crack and she falls to the ground. Unmoving.

The figure behind ALICE comes into view. She's still unaware of the danger. It's BROWN, the scientist from the start of the movie. The fire axe still dangles uselessly from his right hand. His face is bloated and swollen from the water. Death by drowning always looks bad. Especially when the bodies start to walk around.

He reaches for ALICE. His fingers are inches from her skin.

Two more Undead have surrounded TWELVE. The four of them have wrestled him to the ground and are biting in a frenzy at his arms and chest.

One of them wrestles a .45 auto from TWELVE'S belt, but doesn't know what to do with it.

MATT (O.S.)

I'll take that.

Still in cuffs, MATT snatches the gun from the UNDEAD'S hand. The Undead creature looks up in surprise as MATT blows the back of its head off. Surprisingly, there's very little blood. Inside, the creatures are dry, withered husks.

A scream brings our attention back to ALICE. The Undead BROWN has a hand on her throat. He drops the fire axe and secures his other hand around her wind pipe.

MATT carefully takes aim. BROWN'S head in his sights- And squeezes.

Click. Empty.

ALICE is slammed against the plexi tank. The last of her breath leaving her body. She's passing out. She feels BROWN'S saliva on her face. Rank and fetid.

But still she doesn't move. The trauma has triggered some kind of recall in Mice's mind.

BIG CLOSE UP ON ALICE'S EYES

Suddenly THE CAMERA accelerates forward, racing past the cool blue of her iris and plunging deep within the dark well of her pupil.

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CONTINUED:(4)

As THE CAMERA spirals through the darkness, we sense sudden flashes of color and sound. MEMORIES.

ALICE'S FLASHBACK:

Blurred imagery, distorted voices. The logic of a dream.

THE CAMERA lost in a dark, evil forest. The kind you see in fairy tales. But as we pull back, the forest is revealed to be a giant oil painting.

In front of it stands a table. And on the table a foam lined carry case and a pair of gloves. We recognize them from the start of the movie.

UNSEEN VOICE

I can help you get the virus. Access codes, security plans, the works.

END ALICE'S FLASHBACK

SMASH CUT TO:

THE PRESENT

ALICE forced against the plexi tank. BROWN'S hands around her neck, Choking. Dying.

BAM! BROWN'S head is suddenly pinned against the Plexiglas by the fire axe. The axe has gone clear through his skull,

in one ear and out the other. His hands drop away from ALICE'S throat, but BROWN'S body remains standing. His head pinned to the specimen tank.

ALICE  
(choked)  
Thank you.

SPENCE stands there. Her saviour.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
You came back.

SPENCE  
I didn't know the door code.

RAIN  
Hate to break up the husband/wife thing, but let's get the fuck out of here. There's more of them on the way.

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CONTINUED:

They race for the exit. TWELVE seems badly injured. ALICE and SPENCE have to help him. Behind them, a dozen Undead are slowly following.

Up ahead they hear gunfire and moments later see J.D. by the exit, holding a whole band of undead at bay.

J.D.  
(flip)  
What took you?

RAIN  
Aim for the head. That seems to work.

TWELVE arrives at the door. Tries to type the entry code in. The sound of gunfire is deafening.

J.D.  
What's taking so long?

TWELVE  
I'm trying.

His hands are shaking so hard, he can't hit the keys.

RAIN  
Out of the way tech boy.

RAIN pushes him aside.

RAIN (CONT'D)  
What's the code?

TWELVE  
(shaken)  
Six, six, seven.

RAIN punches in the code.

RAIN  
See how easy that was?

The door slides smoothly open to reveal...A DOZEN UNDEAD! Their hands reaching for RAIN. Grabbing her, dragging her

into the dark void beyond.

RAIN  
(screams)

No!

J.D.  
Out of my way!

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CONTINUED:(2)

J.D. runs forward, two guns in his hands, both blazing. RAIN has almost disappeared under a mass of rotting undead limbs.

RAIN  
(desperate)  
Oh my God! Help me!

Other hands reach for her and try to drag her away from the undead. It's ALICE and TWELVE. Playing tug of war with the undead, and RAIN is the rope.

But it's hopeless and RAIN is dragged deeper into the ravaging horde.

J.D.  
Rain! No!

J.D. plunges into the doorway after her. His hand grabs hers, and for a moment she holds on.

RAIN  
(pleading)  
J.D. .... don't let go! Please!  
Don't let go!

Then one of the undead gets a hold of J.D.'S hand and takes a nice big bite. You know the fleshy bit between your thumb and forefinger? Well J.D. doesn't have that any more.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
(intense pain)  
Aaaaah!

He lets go and RAIN disappears from sight. All that can be heard are her screams.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
NO!

J.D. would fling himself into the horde of undead, but the others hold him back.

ALICE  
It's no good.

J.D.  
(furious)  
Let go of me!

The screaming stops.

MATT  
We've got to go back!

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CONTINUED:(3)

J.D.  
(almost in tears)

Rain!

But she's gone. And the undead want fresh meat.

ALICE  
We have to get out of this room.

The undead pour into the room. Too many to hold back. And now they move faster. Excited by the sight of blood. Still J.D. won't move.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
J.D. .... please.

She looks him in the eye. Icy calm, despite the ravaging horde that threatens to overwhelm them.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
We have to go.

J.D. finally snaps out of it. Realizing that RAIN is never coming back. Stunned, he nods and they move off.

The survivors race through the room, weaving between the slower moving undead. When something gets in their way, J.D. levels it with a burst from his M16. His anger rising.

J.D.  
Motherfuckers! Dirty motherfuckers!

Mound them, Plexiglas tanks shatter and explode as stray bullets crash into them.

And in all the chaos, the group begins to get separated.

Like mice in a maze.

CLOSE ON A HEAVY DOOR

as SPENCE slams it behind them.

They are back where they started. WIDER TO REVEAL -

INT. CONTROL ROOM

SPENCE looks around. Only now does he realize that some of their group is missing.

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CONTINUED:

SPENCE  
Where are the others? Where the fuck  
are the others?

ALICE and MATT are gone.

J.D.  
Don't look at me.

TWELVE  
Damn!

TWELVE un-straps his Kevlar vest and lets it fall to the ground. His entire body is covered with bite shaped marks. The bruises are already turning an ugly yellow color.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
I feel like lunch.

J.D. slumps to the ground, his back to the wall. Nice solid wall. No chance of anything creeping up on him. RAIN'S death has snapped something within J.D. blood drips from his savaged hand.

On the other side of the door we hear dozens of fists pounding.

SPENCE

Well I'm not going to end up a Goddamn Happy Meal for one of those tucks!

J.D.

Whatever they are, you can stop them with a shot to the head.

SPENCE

(angry)

Whatever they are? It's pretty goddamn obvious what they are. Lab coats, badges. Those people used to work here.

TWELVE

All the people working here are dead.

SPENCE

Well that isn't stopping them from walking around!

J.D.

Where did they come from? Why didn't we see them on the way in?

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CONTINUED:(2)

TWELVE

When we cut the power, we unlocked all the doors. We let Pandora out of the box.

SPENCE

Those things could be all over the place. We're never going to make it to the surface.

TWELVE

So she was right.

SPENCE

What?

TWELVE

The Queen...she was right.

The moment is broken by the sound of a gun being racked. J.D. is checking his assault rifle.

J.D.

Twenty seven rounds.

(to Twelve)

You?

TWELVE

Six in the clip...one in the breech.

SPENCE

We are so fucked.

Not too eloquent, but it seems pretty accurate.

CUT TO:

CLOSE ON ALICE

for the first time, all alone in the dark. And it's terrifying. WIDEN to reveal --

INT. SECURITY ROOM

We recognize the room from the start of the movie. The one with all the caged guard dogs. Only now the cages are empty. Many have holes in them, chewed straight through the mesh. What would make a dog do that?

ALICE cautiously makes her way down the half lit corridor. Then suddenly she stops. Senses that she isn't alone. In the audience, people are watching from behind their fingers.

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CONTINUED:

Then she hears it. A sharp clicking sound. Nails on a cement floor.

In the shadows, a dark shape moving.

A low demonic growl.

ALICE

Easy there I Good doggie.

The Doberman advances into a shaft of light. But this is like no dog we've ever seen before. Its eyes are glazed. Its flesh decaying. Undead doggie.

ALICE (CONT'D)

Oh hell.

The Doberman charges and ALICE does the only sensible thing. She runs.

The Dog leaps at her, all teeth and claws. ALICE dodges and dives into one of the cages for protection. She slams the mesh door in the hellhound's face.

ALICE wedges door shut. She's trapped in the cage, and the door won't hold for long. But it doesn't matter anyway, because out of the shadows steps a second Doberman.

ALREADY IN THE CAGE WITH HER!

The second Undead Dog jumps at ALICE, knocking her to the ground. She's no match for its savagery. It's a struggle just to keep its jaws from her throat.

As if that weren't enough, the first Dog is slowly forcing the cage door open. It will be through in moments.

They want blood, her blood.

The Dog on top of ALICE forces its jaws around her face.

BIG CLOSE UP ON ALICE'S EYES

Suddenly THE CAMERA accelerates forward, racing past the cool blue of her iris and plunging deep within the dark well

of her pupil.

As THE CAMERA spirals through the darkness, we sense sudden flashes of color and sound. MEMORIES.

THROUGH HER EYES WE SEE: schematics of the dog: biological cross sections: details of the dog's skeleton: a weak point identified on the Doberman's neck.

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Her hands are already there. Guided by instinct.

SNAP!

The Undead Dog stops moving. She's killed it with her bare hands.

CRASH! The cage door bursts open. The other Dog charges. Ferocious, unstoppable. In one slick acrobatic move, ALICE leaps into the air and boosts herself through a hole in the cage roof.

The Dog jumps after her, but ALICE is just out of reach.

She rolls over the cage roof, drops to the ground and slams the cage door shut. Right in the Hellhound's face. ALICE slams the door bolt home. The Dog is trapped, helpless in the cage.

ALICE smiles and turns away, SMACK INTO ANOTHER OF THE UNDEAD!

It's the security guard who used to tend the dogs. CLARENCE. We recognize him from the start of the movie. ALICE recognizes him from his name tag.

ALICE (CONT'D)

Easy there Clarence.

The undead guard lunges for her, but ALICE is lightning fast, as though someone else had taken possession of her body. She weaves through his arm, lifts the sidearm from his holster and drills a bullet through his forehead.

As the Undead Clarence collapses, MORE MEMORIES FLOOD INTO ALICE. In ULTRA FAST SUCCESSION we see a dozen schematics of the handgun. In two seconds flat, she has ejected the magazine, checked the number of bullets, slammed the mag home and chambered another round.

All before Clarence's body has hit the ground.

ALICE is stunned by all this sudden killer instinct. Stares at herself, gun in hand.

ALICE (CONT'D)

Damn! I'm a tough bitch.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

TWELVE stares at the door. It's beginning to buckle under the weight of the undead. He suddenly turns back to the others:

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CONTINUED:

TWELVE

It's a long shot .... but there might be someone who could help us.

J.D.

Who?

TWELVE takes the Box from his pocket.

SPENCE

You're kidding right?

TWELVE

If anyone could find a way out of here it would be her.

SPENCE

No. Absolutely not.

He looks to J.D.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

Right?

No reply.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

In case I've been the only one paying attention, that homicidal bitch tried to kill us all.

TWELVE

That homicidal bitch may be the only one who can tell us what the hell's going on down here.

(shrugs)

I know it's not ideal.

SPENCE

You said that right.

J.D.

If you switched her back on...you could control her?

SPENCE

I don't believe this.

TWELVE

If she says or does anything we don't like ....

He indicates the switch at the base of the Box.

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TWELVE (CONT'D)

it's the flip of a switch.

CLOSE ON A GUILLOTINE BLADE

the kind used for shying through thick stacks of paper. It comes down on a battered pair of handcuffs for the hundredth time. Finally a link breaks.

WIDEN TO REVEAL -

INT. OFFICE

MATT, now free from the cuffs, starts to make his way through the familiar office space. This is where we had last seen LISA. But now the place is trashed. Smearred with dirt and blood.

He reaches LISA'S cubicle and sits down at her desk. We recognize the "LOVE IS .... "NEVER HAVING TO SAY YOU'RE SORRY" paperweight.

After a moment he begins to methodically check the desk drawers.

UNSEEN P.O.V.

moving through the office space. Slow, jerky steps. Glimpsing MATT in the distance.

CLOSE ON MATT

as he turns, sensing something. There's someone in here with hint. MATT cranes his head around the side of the cubicle. Nothing there. He goes back to the desk and redoubles his efforts. He finds the foam lined carry case. Snaps it open. Empty.

UNSEEN P.O.V.

closing in on MATT. He has his back to us. Trying to force open a locked drawer in LISA'S desk.

CLOSE ON MATT

as the locked drawer pops open. He rifles through the papers inside. All useless. Then he stops. He's found a framed picture. MATT and LISA arm in arm, smiling at the camera.

MATT gives the photograph a long look.

CRASH!

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a sudden noise makes MATT turn. An office chair has been knocked over by the staggering monstrosity in front of him. It's LISA. Back from the dead.

MATT still holds the photo in his hand. The two of them arm in arm. LISA alive and beautiful. But the reality stands above him. LISA the undead. Her face distorted into a grotesque mask. The agony of suffocation.

MATT

Oh baby

LISA stares at him. Makes no attempt to attack.

CLOSE ON HER EYES

we see MATT reflected in her pupils. The undead LISA groans. Is there a hint of recognition?

Slowly she raises her hand to his cheek. Touches him lightly. Tenderly.

Then sinks her nails into his flesh.

MATT

(in agony)

Aaaaah!

LISA lunges forward pushing MATT back over the desk. Her teeth snap at his throat. MATT fights back, but LISA is surprisingly strong. He slugs her across the face, breaking her teeth and his knuckles, but she doesn't flinch. Doesn't hesitate for a moment. She wants blood.

Slowly, inevitably, she forces her mouth around MATT'S windpipe. Her broken teeth-ready to tear out a jagged chunk of raw flesh. When suddenly she stiffens. And then falls to the ground.

To reveal ALICE standing behind her. The heavy "LOVE IS ...." paperweight in her hand.

MATT struggles to his feet.

ALICE looks down at LISA. This is the second time we've seen her die. Lying beside the body is the broken picture frame. MATT and LISA. Hand in hand. Smiling.

ALICE  
Who was she?

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MATT  
(choked)  
My sister.

ALICE  
I'm sorry.

MATT  
I could have talked to her ....  
Reasoned with her.

ALICE  
Not with these things.

MATT  
They're not "things", they're  
people! They have mothers, bothers  
.... brothers.

ALICE  
(cold)  
No. You can't think of them that way  
anymore.

MATT  
You know something?

MATT stares at her. The new icy composure. Who is this woman?

MATT (CONT'D)  
When you remember who you are...I  
have the feeling we're not going to  
get on.

CUT TO:

CLOSE UP OF THE BOX

as TWELVE plugs it into the holographic projector on his computer. The chess squares illuminate and a life size 3D image of the teenage Queen flickers into life beside them.

The genie is out of the bottle.

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RED QUEEN  
Ah, there you are.  
(gloating)  
I did warn you.

Red Queen is about to continue when J.D. cuts her off.

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CONTINUED:

J.D.  
Lets get something straight I From  
what I understand, you're state of  
the art Artificial Intelligence,  
which means you consider yourself a  
living, thinking being, correct?

RED QUEEN  
Yes .... that is correct.

J.D.  
And this box is the last remnants of  
your sorry ass. So let me make one  
thing clear. You try to fuck with us  
in any way and I will personally  
grind your super gigabyte punk ass  
into dust. Finito! Comprende?

RED QUEEN  
I speak fifty-seven languages.

J.D.  
Good. So now you can answer some  
questions. Number one .... what the  
Luck were you people doing down  
here?

RED QUEEN  
The usual thing. Gene splicing,  
toxicology, bioengineering. All in  
service of mankind's one great goal  
finding new and exciting ways to  
wipe itself out.

SPENCE  
Aren't we the witty little  
microchip?

RED QUEEN  
Merely here to serve.

The argument is interrupted by the undead. Banging hard  
against the door to the Specimen Room.

TWELVE  
What are those things out there?

RED QUEEN  
Things?

SPENCE  
Drooling, staggering...bad  
complexions, worse attitude.

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RED QUEEN

I presume you are referring to the retro animated weapons systems.

J.D.

The what?

RED QUEEN

In human mythology, I believe they are traditionally referred to as the undead.

TWELVE

Explain.

RED QUEEN

Even in death, the human body still remains active. Hair and fingernails continue to grow, new cells are produced, and the brain itself holds a small electrical charge that takes months to dissipate. Much of the research in the Hive was devoted to those electronic signals left in the brain .... fragments of memory that decay over time. A virus, T-3 was developed. This T-virus provides a massive jolt to those trace electronic impulses.

(pauses a beat)

Put quite simply, it reanimates the body.

J.D.

You're bringing the dead back to life?

RED QUEEN

Not fully. The subjects have the simplest of motor functions. Perhaps a little memory .... virtually no intelligence. Driven by the basest of impulses .... the most basic of needs.

TWELVE

Which is?

RED QUEEN

The need to feed.

SPENCE

(fearing the worst)

And what do these things feed on?

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RED QUEEN

They feed on what mankind has always wanted to prey upon, what you have always sought to destroy. Yourselves.

SPENCE

They eat people?

TWELVE

That's inhuman.

RRD QUEEN

On the contrary. I find it perfectly in keeping with human behavior. Stripped of culture, intelligence, reason .... they are your true primal selves. The evil that dwells within all of you.

The computer smiles.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

It's quite poetic really.

SPENCE sits down on the cold floor.

SPENCE

Oh my God.

RED QUEEN

I was trying to keep them isolated, but I'm afraid you've changed all that.

TWELVE

Why develop such a thing?

RED QUEEN

To use as a weapon of course. Imagine it an enemy nation infected with T-3. The idea of having your own mother and father rise up out of the grave against you. To be attacked by your own flesh and blood. The psychological impact alone would be devastating.

J.D.

If they're a weapon, you must be able to control them.

RED QUEEN

When the enemy surrenders, the infected area would be sprayed with an anti-toxin, T-4.

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TWELVE

And that would kill them?

RED QUEEN

It would prevent further transmission. The remaining undead would have to be dispatched individually. Severing the top of the spinal column or massive trauma to the brain are the most effective methods.

SPENCE

We are so fucked.

J.D.

You said that already.

SPENCE

Well now I really mean it.

INT. OFFICE

ALICE and MATT pick their way cautiously through the devastation.

ALICE  
What were you looking for back there?

MATT  
Evidence.

ALICE  
Of what? You saw the kind of horrors they had in that specimen room. Well that's just the tip of the iceberg.

ALICE  
How could they do all of this without someone knowing?

MATT  
Like who?

ALICE  
The government.

MATT  
(laughs)  
Of course the government knows.

(MORE)

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CONTINUED:

MATT (CONT'D)  
Just like they know about the genetically modified meat in your burgers, the D.N.A. enhanced corn in your taco shells. They know about all this shit. They just don't get involved. They leave it to companies like Umbrella. Buy the end product if it works out, deny all responsibility if it doesn't. We wanted concrete evidence for the press. We were going to smuggle out a sample of their new viral weapon.

ALICE  
And?

MATT  
(looks around)  
We didn't cause this if that's what you mean?

ALICE  
(accusingly)  
Then who did?

MATT  
My sister had a contact within the Hive. Someone I never met. They were supposed to help us get samples of the T-virus. think they double crossed us instead.

ALICE

Why?

MATT

On the open market, who knows what something like that would be worth?

ALICE

(looks at the horror all around)

Worth all this?

MATT

To someone.

INT. CONTROL ROOM

TWELVE continues his interrogation of the Red Queen.

TWELVE

Why kill everyone in the Hive?

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CONTINUED:

RED QUEEN

Because there was a leak. T-3 escaped an unplanned pattern of infection began. Once the virus was loose, I couldn't allow anyone to leave the Hive. So I took the appropriate action.

SPENCE

You butchered them.

RED QUEEN

If one infected human had escaped from the Hive...

A green holographic projection springs up in front of the Box. It's a map of the USA. A tiny pin prick of red appears in the map.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

...the infection would have spread to cover the United States within 13 days.

The pin prick grows rapidly until it becomes a tide of red which sweeps dramatically across the map.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

Canada and South America in 27 days...

The map expands until eventually it becomes an entire globe. And the faster the map grows, the faster the red tide flows.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

...worldwide infection in less than two months.

The holographic globe, now submerged beneath a blood red sea, flickers and disappears.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

So I took steps.

SPENCE

Steps

The group are stunned. Silenced by the enormity of their situation.

RED QUEEN

If I might make a suggestion. You have sufficient ammunition. One bullet apiece to the spinal column should suffice.

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J.D.

What are you saying?

RED QUEEN

Merely that I think suicide would be preferable to what awaits you.

SPENCE

But we're not infected.

RED QUEEN

Just one bite, one scratch from these creatures will infect you. You could live a long and happy life, but when you die...you become one of them.

J.D. looks down at his bloody hand.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

This facility housed five hundred technicians and support staff. Five hundred against five. Odds of a hundred to one.

TWELVE

We can do the math.

RED QUEEN

Logic dictates that you won't leave here alive.

J.D.

(angry)

Fuck logic!

The computer smiles at the irony.

RED QUEEN

Easy for you to say.

TWELVE

Listen to me .... we're getting out of here and you're going to help us.

RED QUEEN

If you insist. But those of you who become infected... I can't allow you to leave.

TWELVE

(angry)

Understood!

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CONTINUED:(3)

He switches off the Red Queen. The holograph flickers and dies.

SPENCE

What did she mean?

TWELVE

What?

SPENCE

"Those of you who become infected...I can't allow you to leave."

J.D.

Who cares. As soon as we get near the surface, we're closing that bitch down.

(shoots Twelve a look)

Permanently.

INT. CONNECTING CORRIDOR

MATT and ALICE advance through the gloom. Every shadow hides a potential horror.

ALICE

I swear we've been here before.

They stop at a four way junction.

ALICE (CONT'D)

This place is a labyrinth.

NATT

I hope not. Every good labyrinth has a monster at its heart.

(Alice stares-at him)

Didn't they teach you about the Minotaur at school?

ALICE

How would I know?

MATT

Sorry. How is the memory?

ALICE

I remember some things, training, basic instinctual stuff, but not others. still can't even remember my name.

(shrugs)

Stress seems to bring things back.

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CONTINUED:

MATT

(glances round the creepy corridor)

Stress huh?

ALICE

Quiet!

She suddenly halts. Senses something up ahead.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
There's something moving behind that door.

MATT  
(whispered)  
How do you know?

ALICE eases the safety off her gun.

ALICE  
I know.

MATT and ALICE take position beside the door. She gets ready to kick it in.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
On three.

Palms are sweaty.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
One ....

Trigger fingers itchy.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
.... Two ....

THE DOOR BURSTS OPEN! To reveal ....

TWELVE  
Don't shoot! Don't shoot! It's us.

It's hard to tell who's more shocked. ALICE and MATT, or TWELVE and the others. Maybe just the audience.

Both groups lower their guns.

From behind SPENCE walks a little girl dressed in red. She smiles at ALICE.

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CONTINUED:(2)

ALICE  
Who's your friend?

CUT TO:

CLOSE ON THE BOX

as a holographic floor plan appears above the Box.

RED QUEEN  
The Hive.

In 3D the underground complex bears an uncanny resemblance to a spiral of D.N.A.

TWELVE  
Where are we?

RED QUEEN  
The red dots.

Five tiny red figures at the base of THE HIVE.

SPENCE  
Right at the bottom...of course.

RED QUEEN

For maximum efficiency I would suggest the following route.

She highlights a way through the holographic maze.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

Through the storage units on this level, to an access tunnel here. That will get you close to the surface. Then you'll only have to cut through the medical labs and you'll be back at the loading platform.

TWELVE

Sounds simple.

J.D. chambers a round with a loud metallic snap.

J.D.

Sure.

ALICE

What about those "things"?

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TWELVE

The Queen has sensors throughout the Hive she can tell us where they are.

RED QUEEN

I'm afraid not. My primary sensors are thermal. Because the creatures are dead, their body temperature is negligible. To me they're virtually invisible.

SPENCE

Great.

TWELVE

What about your motion sensors?

RED QUEEN

Inoperative.

TWELVE

Why?

RED QUEEN

In case it had escaped your notice, so far today I've been attacked by a supercomputer, had the majority of my files corrupted and then scarcely thirty minutes ago, you yourself fired a uranium tipped shell clean through my main frame. It's been...stressful. So pardon me if I'm not functioning at full capacity.

J.D.

(impatient)

That's enough .... let's get moving.

ALICE  
Wait.

MATT  
What is it?

ALICE points to the five tiny red figures in the maze.

ALICE  
There we are. One, two, three, four,  
five.

MATT  
So?

ALICE  
So who's that?

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CONTINUED:(2)

In the centre of the maze, another red dot.

RED QUEEN  
the heat signature indicates a human  
male six feet two, 120 pounds.

MATT  
Scrawny guy.

They stare at the softly pulsing heat signature. It gives  
nothing away. For now we will call him the STRANGER.

ALICE  
How did he survive?

The Red Queen seems genuinely surprised.

RED QUEEN  
I can't say. My termination methods  
were very methodical.

She realizes everyone is staring at her.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)  
Sorry.

ALICE looks at the map again. The pulsing red dot of the  
Stranger.

ALICE  
We should help him.

SPENCE  
Forget it! He's miles away.

ALICE looks to MATT for support.

MATT  
I don't know. We make a detour like  
that we may never get out.

SPENCE  
Besides, he's doing fine by himself.  
He doesn't need our help.

INT. ACCESS TUNNEL

A wide access tunnel over a mile in length. The HIVE really  
is vast. As they march, J.D. takes a pack from his belt and  
tosses it to ALICE.

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J.D.  
Take one, pass the rest around.

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She opens up the pack. Inside are a variety of k-rations. She tosses a bar to each of the others. MATT looks at the protein bar.

MATT  
I can't eat this.

ALICE  
I don't feel like eating either, but you have to keep your strength up.

MATT  
No, I mean I can't eat it. It has animal fat in it. I'm vergetarian.

J.D.  
Do you believe this guy.

He looks at MATT in disbelief.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
The shit we're in and he doesn't want to hurt the little animals!

ALICE ignores J.D. She tosses MATT a different bar.

ALICE  
Try this.

SPENCE (O.S.)  
Look .... look what I found. Our marching days are done.

SPENCE (CONT'D)  
Now we ride in style.

CUT TO:

ON BOARD THE CART

SPENCE is at the wheel, J.D. riding shotgun. Mice, TWELVE and MATT jammed in the back. The walls of the tunnel race by. Above them a network of pipes and cables hang from the ceiling.

SPENCE drives gleefully. A handful of undead are spread out sporadically along the corridor. He swerves to hit one of them. Sends it flying.

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SPENCE  
(laughs)  
I always wanted to drive one of these. I just couldn't stand the idea of golf.

The Roadkill Undead tries to get to its feet. J.D. shoots it in the head as they race past.

J.D.

Fore!

One of the undead manages to catch a hold of the side of the cart. He is immediately jerked off his feet and dragged along the ground. J.D. looks down at the hapless creature bumping along beside the cart.

J.D. (CONT'D)

No riding ....

He waits until he has the UNDEAD'S attention. The monster stares up at J.D. with hungry eyes.

J.D. (CONT'D)

.... no riding. Without a ticket.

J.D. shoots him point blank in the hand. The UNDEAD'S fingers lose their grip and he slips away. The cart's back wheels bump as they run over his body.

The tunnel veers sharply to the left. SPENCE takes the 90 degree turn at high speed. He almost has the cart up on two wheels.

SPENCE

(enjoying every second)

Yeeeha!

MATT

(to Alice)

How long is this tunnel anyway?

ALICE takes out the Box and the Red Queen flickers into life.

RED QUEEN

Enjoying the ride?

MATT

We need to see the map again.

The holographic map of the hive appears above the Box.

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CONTINUED:(2)

ALICE

You're nearing the end of the tunnel. Round the next corner and you'll be there.

MATT

Look ....

The red dot of the Stranger is also moving through THE HIVE, headed up.

MATT (CONT'D)

.... whoever it is, they're headed for the surface too.

SPENCE glances over his shoulder at the map.

SPENCE

See .... told you he didn't need our help.

ALICE

Eyes on the road!

SPENCE goes back to his driving.

MATT  
Wait a moment.  
(troubled)  
Something's not right here.

He studies the holographic map.

MATT (CONT'D)  
Wasn't there more of the Hive?

RED QUEEN  
What?

TWELVE  
He's right .... the map was bigger  
last time.

RED QUEEN  
(petulant)  
Perhaps.

As we look closer, we can see the jagged edges of the holographic map, as though part of it has just been torn off. In fact it is disintegrating before our eyes.

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CONTINUED:(3)

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)  
I can't be expected to remember  
everything.

MATT is about to question the Queen further when SPENCE takes another corner at high speed. The cart skids around the turn and SLAMS INTO A CROWD OF UNDEAD. DOZENS OF THEM!

They're everywhere. Too many to avoid. SPENCE hauls the wheel to the left, but it's way too late, and they're going way too fast. The cart hits the crowd sending bodies flying.

The cart topples and overturns.

MATT is the first to his feet. What he sees is a disaster. J.D. is pinned beneath the cart, unable to move. ALICE lies with her back to the tunnel wall, concussed and unmoving. SPENCE and TWELVE sit a few feet away, dazed.

The undead are everywhere.

MATT  
Get to your feet!

He grabs TWELVE and hauls him up.

MATT (CONT'D)  
Get up or we're all dead.

The undead are closing in on J.D. Easy meat. He sees them coming and begins to panic.

J.D.  
I can't move!

His gun is lying on the ground. Just out of reach.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Help me!

MATT reaches for a gun, but he's lost his weaponry in the crash. He takes a .45 from SPENCE'S belt. He's still concussed. Doesn't need it.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Keep them away from me!

One of the undead drops to his knees and prepares to take a bite out of J.D.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
(screams)  
Fucker!

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CONTINUED:(4)

MATT fires. The undead collapses on top of J.D.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Get him off me .... get him off me!

MATT and TWELVE race to his assistance, firing as they go. SPENCE hobbles along behind. They're just about managing to keep the undead at bay.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
My leg .... it's trapped under the cart.

MATT and TWELVE put their backs against the overturned cart. SPENCE helps as best he can.

TWELVE  
(to Spence)  
Nice driving.

MATT  
One ....two ....heave!

The cart moves a little, but then rocks back onto J.D.'s leg. He screams in pain.

MATT (CONT'D)  
Again. One .... two .... heave!

The cart moves a little more. Still not enough.

J.D.  
(in agony)  
For Christ's sake!

MATT  
This time .... this time we'll get it.

He nods to SPENCE and TWELVE. The undead are closing in.

MATT (CONT'D)  
Ready?

They nod back.

MATT (CONT'D)  
One ....two .... HEAVE!

The cart crashes back onto its wheels. J.D. is free.

TWELVE  
Let's get out of here.

CONTINUED:(5)

He jumps into the driving seat of the cart. In the time it has taken them to free J.D., they have become completely surrounded. A solid wall of undead, getting closer and closer.

CLOSE ON ALICE

In all the confusion, everyone seems to have forgotten about her. She lies concussed, her back against the tunnel wall. Her eyes wide and staring, but seeing nothing. A group of undead have gathered around her.

She's dead meat.

One of the undead drags his fingers through her hair.

BIG CLOSE UP ON ALICE'S EYES

Suddenly THE CAMERA accelerates forward, racing past the cool blue of her iris and plunging deep within the dark well of her pupil.

As THE CAMERA spirals through the darkness, we sense sudden flashes of color and sound. MEMORIES.

ALICE'S FLASHBACK:

Blurred Imagery distorted voices. The logic of a dream.

THE CAMERA lost in a dark, evil forest. The kind you see in fairy tales. But as we pull back, the forest is revealed to be a giant oil painting.

In front of it stands a table. And on the table a foam lined carry case and a pair of gloves. We recognize them from the start of the movie.

UNSEEN VOICE

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LISA

Good.

THE CAMERA PANS to reveal who LISA is talking to. The Unseen Voice belongs to ALICE.

ALICE

But there's going to be a price.

She and LISA stand in front of a giant oil painting in the entrance hallway of Looking Glass House.

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LISA

Name it.

END ALICE'S FLASHBACK

SMASH CUT TO:

THE PRESENT

WIDE ON ALICE AND THE UNDEAD

ALICE lying like a limp rag doll. A dozen figures crowded around her, like an angry lunch line jostling for position. One undead with his hands in her hair. Another with her fingers already in his mouth.

Suddenly ALICE snaps back to life. Her eyes burning with a new found intensity. Her free hand comes up.

ALICE  
Get the fuck off me.

With a startlingly professional movement, she snaps the neck of the Undead. Whatever skills have just returned, they're lethal.

CLOSE ON THE GOLF CART

The others are in trouble.

TWELVE  
It won't start.

MATT  
Try it again.

TWELVE  
I already did!

The undead are everywhere. MATT, SPENCE and the bloodied J.D. keep firing, but nothing can hold back the tide.

The slide on J.D.'s automatic racks back and stays there. He's out of ammo. J.D. struggles to load another clip, but his injured hand makes it difficult. He fumbles and drops the spare mag. He stoops to retrieve it, and when he looks back up, he stares straight into a familiar face.

The undead that was dragged behind the cart! His clothes are ripped and torn and covered in dark oily blood.

But he's back for J.D.

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CONTINUED:

J.D.  
Oh shit!

J.D. struggles with the spare clip.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Get in! Get in!

The Undead reaches for or J.D. He tries to fend it off with his injured hand. But the Undead just grabs a hold of the bandages. With a smile on his face, he sinks his teeth into J.D.'s already wounded hand. The pain is unbearable.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Aaaaaah!

MATT turns, alerted by J.D.'s scream. He shoots the Undead and J.D. pushes it off his hand.

MATT looks around. A sea of undead faces. It's hopeless. Then suddenly a miracle. The dead sea parts as ALICE carves her way through it. She ducks, she kicks, she weaves, she rolls. And everywhere she goes, things die.

ALICE

I got my memory back.

MATT

In that case, what I said earlier  
.... I take it back. Whoever you  
are, I think we're going to get  
along just fine.

ALICE'S sudden arrival has thrown the undead into confusion,  
but it won't last long.

ALICE

We can't stay here. There's too many  
of them.

ALICE looks around. They have to get out of here.

ALICE

Above us!

MATT looks up. He sees the network of pipes and cables  
hanging from the ceiling.

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ALICE (CONT'D)

That's how we're getting out.

She turns to the others.

ALICE (CONT'D)

Everyone up on the cart.

One by one they climb onto the broken roof of the golf cart.  
From there they can pull themselves up onto the overhanging  
pipes. There is an eighteen inch gap between the top of the  
pipes and the ceiling. Enough room to crawl along.

Down below, the undead reach for them, but their  
outstretched fingers can't quite touch the pipes. For the  
moment, they are safe.

Two of the undead try to climb onto the roof of the golf  
cart, but they don't have the coordination. The roof  
collapses, taking them with it.

J.D.

(laughs)

You dumb fucks.

He ties a fresh bandage around his hand. There's blood  
everywhere. It drops down onto the undead below, driving  
them into a frenzy. Like sharks circling their prey.

J.D. (CONT'D)

You like that?

He deliberately squeezes a few more drops onto their  
foreheads.

J.D. (CONT'D)

You like that huh?

The undead begin to fight amongst themselves, pushing and  
jostling, desperate for a taste of blood.

J.D. (CONT'D)

You like how that tastes?

They reach their hands out imploringly to J.D.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Well fuck you!

MATT  
Cool it man. No point in getting  
them all riled up.

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CONTINUED:(3)

J.D.  
(angry)  
What .... you're worried about their  
feelings? I'm the one bleeding to  
death here.

This is about to turn nasty, when ALICE interrupts.

ALICE  
Lets get going.

She stares the two men down.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
That's if you gentlemen have quite  
finished.

Everyone can see the change in her character. She's icy  
cold. What no one else knows, is the reason why.

She caused all this.

THE PIPES - LATER

The team slowly work their way along the crawlspace. MATT is  
in the lead, followed by SPENCE and ALICE. J.D. then TWELVE  
bring up the rear.

J.D. is very pale. He's lost a lot of blood.

J.D.  
I need to rest.

He stops to catch his breath.

ALICE  
We have to keep moving.

J.D.  
(still not moving)  
How much further?

ALICE  
From what I remember of the map, not  
far.

J.D.  
Why don't you just switch on your  
little friend and ask her?

ALICE shakes her head.

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CONTINUED:

ALICE  
I don't want to use her unless we  
have to. Every time she seems to get

less reliable.

MATT  
She's definitely forgetting things.

ALICE  
Twelve?

TWELVE  
I don't know.  
(shrugs)  
It's possible her memory was damaged  
when we shut her down and  
transferred her to the box

TWELVE is interrupted by an agonizing cry from below. A large crowd of undead have gathered beneath them. They seem more angry and aggressive than usual.

ALICE glances at J.D.'s wound.

ALICE  
They can smell the blood.

A hundred undead fingers reach out towards the live meat above them. Just a few tantalizing inches away.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
Let's get going.

J.D.  
Why worry? They can't get to us.

ALICE  
I just want to get out of here.

THE PIPES - LATER

They have almost reached the end of the tunnel.

Below, the crowd of undead has become even larger and more unruly. As if they sense that they are about to lose their prey.

ALICE points to something up ahead.

ALICE  
That's the one we want.

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The network of pipes splits in two, one branch disappearing into a vent straight ahead, and a second smaller bundle of pipes veering off into a vent in the side wall.

MACE (CONT'D)  
Straight ahead. Just another hundred feet.

They pass the junction where the pipes split. Only another fifty feet to go. As before, MATT leads the way. S.D. and TWELVE bringing up the rear.

Below, the undead are getting frantic.

CLOSE ON A SUPPORT BRACKET

One of the metal brackets that hold the pipes to the ceiling. The bolts that fix the bracket to the rock are old

and rusted. As MATT passes over this section, we see that one of the bolts is beginning to come loose.

SPENCE is next. His body is heavier and the bolt begins to worm out of the rock. The whole support bracket is beginning to buckle.

MATT

The pipes go into some kind of air shaft.

A mesh screen covers the entrance to the air shaft. MATT uses a knife to pry it away from the rock.

MATT (CONT'D)

I think I can get the cover loose.

The mesh screen pops off, a sharp edge cutting MATT'S hand.

MATT (CONT'D)

Damn!

MATT lifts the screen away with his bloody hand and tosses it below. The undead scramble all over it. One sticks the mesh in his mouth to lick the traces of blood from it. The undead are working themselves into a frenzy.

CLOSE ON THE RUSTED BOLT

As ALICE passes beneath it. The bolt is almost completely free of the rock. The whole bracket suddenly begins to sag.

ALICE

What is that?

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A harsh metallic Sound as the rusted bolt shoots free.

MATT

The supports .... they're coming loose!

SPENCE and MATT are already safely in the air vent.

MATT (CONT'D)

Hurry! You've got to get of f there.

ALICE redoubles her efforts. J.D. and TWELVE are right behind her. But the faster they go, the greater the strain on the support brackets.

BANG! BANG! BANG! Rusted metal bolts shoot free of the ceiling. Loud as gunshots.

A whole length of piping comes free and sags towards the undead. Now suddenly TWELVE, J.D. and ALICE are within reach. Undead fingers reach around their arms, their legs, their throats.

ALICE

(desperate)

No!

She struggles against them. MATT reaches out an arm to her, when CRASH! The whole section of piping finally gives way.

MATT

Hold on!

MATT braces himself and keeps a hold of ALICE. He drags her slowly, painfully into the air shaft and safety.

But there's no one to help TWELVE and J.D.

J.D. tumbles off the pipes and is dragged under by a sea of undead. His ME firing wildly as he is sucked down.

J.D.  
(screaming)  
Fuck you! Fuck you!

The undead rip at his flesh, bite into his limbs.

But still he keeps fighting. Screaming and shooting.

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CONTINUED:(3)

Undead bodies are flung through the air by the force of the 2416. And when that's out of ammo, J.D. begins to blaze away with a .45 automatic, until finally the others can lift him to safety.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Aaaaaaaah!

He's safe, but badly mauled.

CLOSE ON TWELVE

also in trouble, but near to a fallen section of piping. He begins to drag himself back up to safety, the undead literally hanging off him.

ALICE  
Keep them off him!

ALICE and the others lay down a blanket of covering fire. His legs no longer work, but TWELVE pulls himself back towards the roof with sheer force of will.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
Just keep them away from him!

The others blaze away, keeping the tide of undead at bay. Just.

TWELVE  
Oh God ....

TWELVE collapses at the top of the pipes. He's back near the roof now, but separated from the others by a twenty foot section of fallen piping. It may as well be the Grand Canyon.

The only way for him to go is back.

TWELVE  
I can't feel my legs.

ALICE  
We'll get to you somehow.

TWELVE  
No.

He shakes his head. Suddenly determined.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

You go.

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ALICE  
We're not leaving you.

TWELVE  
Yes you are.

Already the undead are climbing the fallen section of pipe.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
You can't kill them all.

He looks down at his ravaged body.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
And I'm not going anywhere.

ALICE  
Twelve ....

There are tears in her eyes.

TWELVE  
I want you to go.

She shakes her head.

TWELVE (CON'T)  
(Firm)  
Now!

MATT takes ALICE by the arm. He knows what has to be done.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
(shouts)  
Just do it now .... Go!

TWELVE watches his friends disappear into the gloom of the air vent.

Below him, a pair of undead are climbing the fallen pipe. Their once crisp lab coats are streaked with dirt and blood. We recognize them as the scientists from the start of the movie. BLUE and GREEN.

BLUE is leading the way. A hungry look in his eyes.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
Just you and me ugly.

TWELVE checks his handgun. Just one shell left.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
That's lucky.

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BLUE is almost upon him. Undead hands reaching out. TWELVE puts the gun into his own mouth.

He starts to breathe short, angry breaths. He's keying himself up, getting ready to pull the trigger. To escape the horror.

BLUE has his hands on TWELVE, his undead fingers covered in

fresh blood.

TWELVE closes his eyes. His finger tightens on the trigger.

INT. WIDE AIR VENT

ALICE, MATT and SPENCE stop when they hear the single shot echo down the air shaft. They know what it means.

ALICE hangs her head.

Her tears glisten in the half light.

INT. ACCESS TUNNEL - PIPES

BLUE falls from the overhanging pipes, a fresh bullet hole bored neatly between his eyes.

TWELVE

Fuck it!

TWELVE holds the smoking gun in his hand. Still very much alive. He used the last bullet on the undead, not himself.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

I'm not going out that easy.

He looks at the undead climbing the pipe towards bin.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

(defiant)

You're going to have to work for your supper.

Behind him, the network of pipes splits in two. One running back down the length of the access tunnel, the way they came. The other disappearing into a small air vent in the side wall.

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INT. NARROW AIR SHAFT

TWELVE pulls the mesh screen aside and drags himself into the vent. This is much narrower than the one the others escaped into.

Tight, claustrophobic, terrifying.

SPENCE begins to crawl away from the pipes. Every movement is agony. He leaves a trail of fresh blood behind him.

CLOSE ON GREEN

As she enters the air shaft.

INT. NARROW AIR SHAFT - VENTILATION FAN

A large metal fan blocks TWELVE'S progress. Its sharp steel blades spin at high speed, forcing air down the shaft. There's no way around it, and no way through it.

TWELVE

Damn!

TWELVE looks back down the shaft. Around the corner, he can see the shadow of GREEN. No way forward and no way back. He's trapped.

TWELVE fumbles through his utility belt. Finds his laptop. He glances at the spinning metal blades.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

Here goes.

He tries to force the laptop between the blades. The blades spark and begin to chop away at the computer. He pushes harder. Shreds of plastic and microchip and flung back at him. TWELVE pushes harder still.

And suddenly the fan stops. The laptop has lodged between the blades, jamming the mechanism.

TWELVE glances at the mangled remains of his computer. The most expensive door stop ever.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

Thank you Bill Gates.

Behind him, GREEN makes a noise. Excited. She smells fresh meat.

TWELVE begins to drag himself between the sharp metal blades of the fan. GREEN is right on his tail.

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Her fingers reach for his legs. TWELVE pulls himself faster. In his haste, he dislodges the laptop slightly. The steel blades move a fraction. The laptop groans under the strain. It's going to be crushed at any moment.

TWELVE is clear of the blades. GREEN follows him. The laptop splinters and begins to crack.

GREEN is half way through the blades.

CRACK! The laptop is split clean in two.

The blades spin back to life, slicing neatly through GREEN. Her legs are suddenly no longer attached to her body.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

(laughs)

Yes!

GREEN looks down at her legs, and then back up at TWELVE. She drags her torso towards him. Oblivious to anything but the fresh meat up ahead.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

Oh shit!

TWELVE begins to haul himself away. But his progress is blocked. The air shaft takes a sharp 90 degree turn. STRAIGHT DOWN. There's no way to climb down there, and no end in sight. The shaft seems to drop forever.

GREEN growls. A Low animal noise. She senses that she has her prey trapped.

TWELVE fumbles in his utility belt again. His hands finds a grenade. It's slick with blood. His own.

He glances back at GREEN. The legless monstrosity is still coming forward. An unearthly light in her green eyes.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

Screw you.

TWELVE throws the grenade back at GREEN. It bounces and

rolls, then hits her squarely in the forehead. GREEN stops. Picks up the grenade. Smells it. Smells the blood. Then begins to lick hungrily at it. She tries to force it in her mouth and

THE GRENADE EXPLODES

GREEN is vaporized. But TWELVE has no time for celebration. The explosion races up the confines of the air shaft.

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CONTINUED:(2)

The blast hits him like a tidal wave. Searing his flesh and flinging him backwards. He is hurled against the far wall of the shaft and then drops like a stone.

Into the depths.

INT. HALLWAY

A deserted hallway. Nothing moves, but still we hear something. A low scratching noise. Like rats running behind the wall.

Without warning, there is the muffled burst of automatic gunfire and a section of the roof collapses. Pipes and plaster fall to the floor, followed by MATT and ALICE. SPENCE brings up the rear, propping up a near dead J.D.

ALICE looks around, getting her bearings.

ALICE  
Follow me. Not far to go now.

INT. CORRIDOR OUTSIDE THE LAB

The three survivors pass the lab where we had first met GREEN, BROWN and BLUE. ALICE points ahead.

ALICE  
This way to the entrance. We're almost there.

MATT  
Wait. I know where we are.

MATT stops. Stares through the glass window into the lab.

MATT  
This is where they kept the T-virus.

ALICE  
(impatient)  
So?

MATT  
So .... we have to find it. It's evidence. Of what they were doing down here

ALICE  
No way. We should keep going. Get to the surface.

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CONTINUED:

MATT can't understand her reluctance. But how could he? How

could anyone else know she is implicated?

HARD CUT TO:

INT. LAB

The same lab we had seen at the start of the movie. But now the place is a mess. ALICE looks around, uneasy.

ALICE  
This is a mistake.

MATT places The Box on a lab table. The Red Queen flickers back to life. But now her image seems faint, Strangely distorted. Something is wrong.

MATT  
You okay?

SPENCE  
She's just a computer .... who cares  
how she feels.

RED QUEEN  
Unexpected power drain.

Half of her face freezes for a moment, making it seem as if she has had a stroke, It's a weird, unsettling image.

SPENCE  
Let's just get on with it.

MATT  
we need to know where the T-virus is  
stored.

RED QUEEN  
Both the T-3 and T-4 antidote are  
kept at 27.4 degrees Fahrenheit in  
the freezer behind you.  
(hesitates)  
No wait. 24.7 degrees, yes, yes,  
that's it. 24.7 degrees.

The computer's memory is clearly fading fast.

CLOSE ON FREEZER

as MATT opens the door. Inside are two racks, one marked T-3, the other T-4. Both racks are empty.

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MATT  
I don't understand.

We realize that we have seen this all before. At the start of the movie, when the gloved hands were emptying the freezer.

MATT (CONT'D)  
It's gone ....

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ALICE

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She and LISA stand in front of a giant oil painting in the entrance hallway of Looking Glass house

LISA

Name it.

ALICE

You have to guarantee me .... you'll bring the Corporation down.

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THE CAMERA TRACKS BACK at warp speed, to reveal SPENCE. Standing at a distance. Unseen. Listening.

THE IMAGE SUDDENLY DISTORTS, MORPHING INTO:

INT. MANSION - ALICE'S BEDROOM DAWN.

SPENCE looks down on ALICE, still asleep in bed. He finishes writing out a note and then places it by her sleeping form -  
- "TODAY ALL YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE"

CLOSE ON GLASS VIALS

being lifted from the lab refrigerator. Gloved bands slip them into a foam lined carry case. The vials are delicate. Filled with a cool blue liquid.

The hands move quickly. Urgently. A repeat of the first image we saw in the movie. Only now we PULL BACK to reveal that the gloved bands belong to SPENCE. He is standing in the lab as it used to be. Clean, pristine. Before the horror.

CLOSE ON GLASS VIALS

as the last one is lifted from the refrigerator. But in his haste, SPENCE lets the vial slip. The delicate glass tube tumbles end over end. And crashes to the floor.

CLOSE ON THE FLOOR

covered in shards of glass and blue liquid.

CLOSE ON SPENCE

looking down at the floor in horror.

END OF FLASHBACK:

CLOSE ON SPENCE

His eyes filled with the sudden realization of what he has done. He caused everything.

ALICE (V.O.)

Spence?

PULL BACK to reveal that SPENCE holds a gun in his hand.

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ALICE (CONT'D)

(confused)

Spence?

The gun is pointed at the others.

ALICE (CONT'D)

What are you doing?

SPENCE

Finishing what I started.

ALICE

What do you mean?

SPENCE

I stole your idea.

(to Matt)

Drop the gun.

MATT does as he's told.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

On the floor. Now kick it over to me.

MATT

You caused all this, didn't you?

SPENCE

Shut up.

(to Alice)

It should have been so simple.

ALICE

Why? Why do it?

MATT

For money.

SPENCE

Yes .... a lot of it.

He reaches behind a shelving unit. Jammed back there is the carry case containing the T-3 virus and its antidote T-4. Exactly where he had hidden it.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

What do you know? I knew where it was all the time.

(smiles)

I just didn't remember.

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NATT

So who's paying you?

SPENCE

Does it matter? All that matters is the money.

(to Alice)

It can still work out.

ALICE

What are you talking about?

She casts her eyes around the room. All the death. All the horror.

ALICE (CONT'D)

Look around you Spence. There's hundreds of people dead.

SPENCE

It was an accident. That was never supposed to happen. The money's out there waiting. You won't believe how much. We can just disappear.

He looks imploringly at ALICE.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

In or out?

No reply.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

(harder)

In or out?

ALICE shakes her head.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

You can't be serious. You'd rather stay down here..... with him?

ALICE just stares coldly at SPENCE.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

Alright. If that's what you want. hope you and your new boyfriend are very happy.

SPENCE backs away, to the lab doors. He's carrying everyone's guns.

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SPENCE (CONT'D)

But if you ask me .... I don't think it's going to last.

SPENCE steps through the doors. They close behind him.

MATT makes to follow. We hear the deadened sound of automatic gunfire through the steel doors. SPENCE can be seen through the thick glass window as he heads off down the corridor -

MATT

Damn it!

MATT struggles with the door, but it won't budge.

MATT (CONT'D)

He shot out the mechanism. We're never going to get this thing open.

RED QUEEN (O.S.)

I wouldn't worry about your friend.

ALICE

What do you mean?

CLOSE ON THE QUEEN -

RED QUEEN

I've been a bad, bad girl.

INT. GLOOMY CORRIDOR

SPENCE hurries down the corridor. Up ahead he can see the main entrance to THE HIVE. Beyond it the cavern and the elevator platform.

He's home free.

INT. LAB

Red Queen brings up the holographic floor plan. We see SPENCE'S heat signature moving towards the exit. But another signature is closing in on him. The Stranger.

RED QUEEN

Look. It's got his scent already.

ALICE

It?

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INT. UNDERGROUND CAVERN

SPENCE leaves THE HIVE and crosses the cavern. He passes by the underground river and the spot where they had first discovered him hours earlier.

He reaches the platform and busies himself with the controls. Ready to return to the mansion and safety.

INT. LAB

On the holographic map, the two heat signatures meet. And merge.

INT. UNDERGROUND CAVERN

The elevator platform comes to life. The hydraulics start to power up. Blood drips into a pool at SPENCE'S feet.

SPENCE

What ....

SPENCE looks up to the ceiling. Hanging there is The Stranger. But it's not the 120 pound male the Red Queen had described. Instead it is THE CREATURE that ALICE had found

so unnerving in the Specimen Room.

300 pounds of pure evil.

Four claw like talons dig into the rock face, holding it in place. Its long fleshy tongue uncoils, snaking down towards its prey. We see the razor sharp barbs that cover the tongue's grotesque length.

SPENCE (CONT'D)

Fuck me ....

As if to oblige, THE CREATURE drops from the ceiling. Its tongue lashes out, the razor barbs tearing SPENCE'S clothes and gouging into the flesh beneath.

SPENCE'S screams are cut short as THE CREATURE leaps forward and begins to devour him whole.

SPENCE goes into shock and passes out.

Then suddenly, without warning, THE CREATURE dashes forward. Lightning fast. STRAIGHT INTO CAMERA.

In search of new prey.

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INT. LAB

ALICE, J.D. and MATT listen as the Red Queen casually fills them in on their executioner.

RED QUEEN

(mid sentence)

.... a bio-mechanical weapon of the highest order. It was one of the earlier experiments produced by the Hive, using the same genetic material as the t-virus. You released it accidentally in the specimen room.

ALICE

But it was dead .... I saw it.

RED QUEEN

In stasis.

MATT

If you knew what it was, why didn't you

The Red Queen doesn't reply.

J.D.

Because she was saving it .... for us. Isn't that right?

RED QUEEN

(embarrassed)

I didn't think any of you would make it this far .... .Not without infection.

J.D.

You were going to let that thing finish us off.

BAM! A sudden noise SCARES THE SHIT out of them.

THE CREATURE is right there at the window.

MATT  
The fucker's got no eyes.

THE CREATURE moves to the cluster of small holes that BROWN had punched in the glass with his fire axe. The tip of its grotesque long tongue snakes through one of the narrow holes. It sways back and forth.

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ALICE  
(whispered)  
It's sensing the air. It can smell us.

THE CREATURE withdraws its tongue, then backs away from the glass.

MATT  
What's it doing?

Suddenly THE CREATURE races at them. Hurling its whole body weight against the window. The glass quivers, but holds.

J.D.  
It's not getting through there. That glass is bullet proof.

THE CREATURE tries again. Hurling itself even harder at the window. And again it is repulsed.

But small spider web cracks have begun to appear in the glass.

EXT. HALLWAY

ALICE and MATT race through the abandoned hallway. They carry J.D. between them. They're going back the way they came. Back into THE HIVE.

MATT  
This is hopeless. It's got us cut off from the exit. All we're doing is going deeper.

ALICE  
You got any better ideas?

RED QUEEN (O.S.)  
I know a way.

MATT  
What did you say?

RED QUEEN  
I know a way out.

J.D.  
Fuck you!

J.D. coughs. He's in a bad way.

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J.D. (CONT'D)

She's never going to let us out. I'm infected

RED QUEEN

I'm sorry .... I do like you, but my sensors indicate your blood loss is already at 42.7%

(genuine compassion in her voice)

You're not leaving this complex alive.

Behind them they hear the glass in the lab shatter.

The hunt is on.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

We have to hurry.

MATT and ALICE share a look.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

You have to trust me.

INT. CORRIDORS

MATT and ALICE run blindly through a complex maze of corridors. J.D. held between them. Close behind, THE CREATURE. Gaining fast.

RED QUEEN

Take a left, here.

They round a corner.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

Then a right.

They race towards an intersection.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

Straight ahead.

Then another.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

Now a left

(confused)

no .... no a right.

MATT

What?

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RED QUEEN

A right.

MATT

You're sure?

RED QUEEN

Yes, yes I'm sure.

Up ahead is a door.

INT. DEAD END ROOM

The survivors burst into the room, slamming the door behind them. Four walls of concrete, no other door.

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MATT

Now what?

MATT looks around the bare room.

MATT (CONT'D)

Now what!

The Queen doesn't reply.

MATT (CONT'D)

It's a dead end!

MATT is getting furious.

MATT (CONT'D)

(shouts)

You've led us into a dead end.  
There's no way out of here!

RED QUEEN

(hesitant)

No there is!

J.D.

I told you not to trust her:

RED QUEEN

(confused)

I .... I can't remember, I thought  
....

MATT

You thought what?

RED QUEEN

I'm sorry.

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CONTINUED:

MATT

You're sorry! You piece of ....

But ALICE stops him.

ALICE

No. Look ....

The bare outline of a door etched in one of the walls.  
Recessed and hidden.

RED QUEEN

(halting)

I knew there .... was reason ....  
but Memory ....

MATT

How do we open it?

ALICE

There's a key pad here.

Hidden in the wall, barely visible.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)

Emergency exit ....

The Red Queen struggles with her words. Her power almost

exhausted.)

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)  
.... memory ....

BAM! The door behind them buckles and almost wrenches off the wall.

ALICE  
(shocked)  
Jesus!

THE CREATURE has found them.

MATT  
(urgent)  
What's the code?

MATT moves to the keypad which controls the emergency exit.

RED QUEEN  
Four .... Digits

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RED QUEEN (CONT'D)  
Faaaaw .... Threeeee

Her image flickers. She's dying.

RED QUEEN (CONT'D)  
Nnnnnnine .... Ssssss

And suddenly she is gone. The Queen is dead.

MATT  
Ssseven, ssix .... what?

THE CREATURE continues to pound against the door behind them. Its talons punching through the metal.

ALICE  
Just try one.

MATT  
What if it's the wrong number?

ALICE  
Then we try the other .... just hurry up.

MATT'S finger hovers over the two digits.

MATT  
Here goes.

He punches the seven. The door beeps.

DOOR  
Access Denied.

The outline of the keypad sinks back into the wall. Disappearing for good.

MATT  
No!

The emergency exit door does the same, leaving nothing but a bare concrete wall.

MATT (CONT'D)

That's just not fair!

BAM! The door behind them has almost given way. THE CREATURE'S tongue pokes through a hole in the metal and lashes around the room.

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MATT desperately looks around. Four solid walls, no air vents, no way out.

J.D.

We're going to die in here.

Suddenly, the emergency exit behind them begins to open.

DOOR

Stand clear .... door opening.

They look on in astonishment as the door swings aside to reveal

ALICE

TWELVE!

Leaning weakly against the control panel on the other side. His body torn and broken, but a smile like the Cheshire Cat.

TWELVE

Computer geeks ....we're not so easy to kill.

Sensing its prey may escape, the Creature slams against the door once more. It begins to squeeze its body through the gap.

TWELVE (CONT'D)

What is that thing?

ALICE starts to seal the exit behind them.

ALICE

You don't want to know.

INT. UNDERGROUND CAVERN

ALICE and MATT exit THE HIVE, carrying J.D. between them. TWELVE limps behind.

They cross the cavern to the elevator platform. Lying by the controls is the skeletal remnants of SPENCE. He still clutches a machine pistol uselessly in his hand. Lying by the body is the carry case containing the T-virus and its antidote. flattered but still intact. ALICE picks it up.

MATT lays J.D. on the platform. TWELVE busies himself with the controls.

MATT

Get us out of here Twelve.

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TWELVE

Platform's already powered up.  
(smiles)

We're headed topside in seconds.

The platform begins to vibrate with energy. ALICE kneels by what remains of SPENCE'S body. She slips the wedding ring off his finger. Just like Mice's, it bears the same inscription:

"PROPERTY OF UMBRELLA CORP."

She slips the ring into her pocket.

ALICE  
You were a lousy husband.

SMASH CUT TO:

THE CREATURE FALLING from the ceiling without warning.

LANDING RIGHT ON ALICE! You can barely hear her cry of pain and surprise above the SCREAMS OF THE AUDIENCE.

MATT  
No.

MATT races forward, but is sideswiped by THE CREATURE'S tongue. He is flung through the air and crashes into the side of the platform. He lies still, like a broken doll.

THE CREATURE'S mouth opens to reveal row upon row of teeth. This thing is built to kill.

It rears triumphant above ALICE. We see it from her P.O.V. The tongue retracts, leaving THE CREATURE free to feast upon her.

As THE CREATURE takes its first bite

THE SUDDEN NOISE OF MACHINE GUN FIRE IS DEAFENING.

THE CREATURE is hurled off. Multiple rounds pierce its armored hide. We see that ALICE holds SPENCE'S machine pistol in her hand.

The gun dry clicks. Out of ammo.

J.D.  
Catch!

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CONTINUED:(2)

With the last of his strength, J.D. throws her the combat knife from his belt.

CLOSE ON THE KNIFE

as it arcs through the air.

THE CREATURE charges forward again.

The controls of the platform read "FULL POWER".

ALICE  
(pain)  
Aaaaah!

ALICE cries out in agony as THE CREATURE'S deadly tongue lashes past her. She twists her body so that it scrapes down her left arm, lacerating, but not killing. The tongue smashes into the platform's floor, the sharp barbs digging into the ornate wooden tiles.

CLOSE ON THE KNIFE

as ALICE catches it and in one seamless move drives it straight through the hideous tongue, pinning it to the platform's floor.

THE CREATURE screams. A terrifying inhuman Sound.

TWELVE

Going up!

He hits the controls and the platform begins to rise into the air. THE CREATURE is dragged toward the ceiling, its body banging off the platform, but held in place by its pinned tongue. Its limbs flail helplessly in the air.

ALICE

Die you fucker!

A second later, the platform disappears into the shaft. Cutting THE CREATURE'S tongue from its body.

THE CREATURE screams in unholy agony and then is gone.

INT. PLATFORM

MATT groans and struggles to sit up.

ALICE

Matt?

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MATT

I'm okay.

THE CREATURE'S severed tongue is left pinned to the floor of the platform. Still writhing with a life of its own, but pinned firmly in place by J.D.'s knife.

ALICE

(to J.D.)

Thanks.

J.D.

Don't mention it.

She kneels by him.

ALICE

How are you doing?

J.D.

Bad.

ALICE

This will help.

The battered box containing the T-virus and its antidote hangs from her belt. She breaks it open, reaches for a shot of the antidote.

J.D.

Save it.

(shakes his head)

Too late for me.

ALICE

J .D . . . .

J.D.  
(interrupts)  
I saved one round ....

He pulls the revolver from his belt.

J.D.  
.... when the time comes ....

ALICE  
We're going to get you out of here.

J.D.  
I don't want to be one of those  
things.

We can see the life ebbing from him.

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J.D. (CONT'D)  
Walking around .... without a soul.

He presses the gun into her hand.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
You'll take care of it

J.D. looks her in the eye.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
soldier.

ALICE nods. And J.D.'s eyes slowly close. His head sinks to his chest.

ALICE lets out a cry. But J.D. doesn't move.

Slowly, shakily, she raises the gun. Her vision is blurred with tears.

The muzzle of the gun is an inch from J.D.s head. Her finger tightens on the trigger, but still she can't fire.

THEN SUDDENLY, J.D.'s hand shoots up! Grabbing her arm.  
ALICE screams in shock I

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Wait .... wait a second .... I'm not  
dead yet.

ALICE is weeping in relief.

J.D. (CONT'D)  
Maybe I'd better have this back.

He eases the revolver back into his belt. In the background, TWELVE and MATT are laughing. Despite the shock, ALICE can't help it. She begins to laugh too.

A TALON SUDDENLY PUNCHES THROUGH THE FLOOR!

Almost impaling MATT. Missing his torso by inches, but slicing through his left leg.

MATT  
(in pain)  
Aaaaaah!

THE CREATURE has lodged itself beneath the platform. Its talons are pulling apart the floor. Peeling it like a grape.

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CONTINUED:(3)

ALICE  
Get over! Get over to the other side  
of the platform!

TWELVE  
Seven levels to the top!

TWELVE looks up to see the mansion far above them.

TWELVE (CONT'D)  
Six.

THE CREATURE is partially onto the platform. Fighting to drag its bulk through the jagged hole.

MATT  
It's going to be close!

TWELVE  
Five.

But THE CREATURE is almost through.

ALICE  
Dammit! We're not going to make it.

ALICE races over to the platform controls. She punches them furiously. The platform slows to a halt. They are still a good seventy feet from the mansion.

TWELVE  
(incredulous)  
What the hell are you doing I

ALICE  
Use the emergency ladders.

She nods over to two steel ladders recessed into the wall of the shaft.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
I'm going to put the platform into  
free fall. Now get going!

TWELVE staggers to the emergency ladders as MATT helps J.D. onto the first rung.

MATT  
Climb.

J.D.  
I can't!

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THE CREATURE'S talons slash out at J.D., missing him by inches. It strains to reach him, its back leg still caught in the floor.

MATT  
Climb damn it!

Slowly, painfully, J.D. begins to climb.

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ALICE

Hurry!

MATT boosts TWELVE onto the ladders, then turns to ALICE.

MATT

Send this fucker back to hell!

ALICE punches in the command code.

ALICE

Done.

The platform begins to drop away, back into the depths.

ALICE makes a jump for the ladders, just as THE CREATURE frees itself from the floor and makes a leap for her.

CLOSE ON A TALON

as it snags ALICE'S foot.

ALICE

(agony)

Aaaaah!

ALICE nearly loses her grip on the ladder.

NATT

Hang on!

He turns to J.D.

MATT (CONT'D)

Give me the gun. Your gun!

MATT reaches for the revolver on J.D.'s belt, just as J.D. turns to face him, his face contorted in a death mask. His eyes burning with unholy life. HE'S ONE OF THE UNDEAD NOW!

J.D. lunges at MATT, his teeth snapping at the warm flesh. MATT struggles to fight him off!

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CLOSE ON ALICE

as she looks up, sees MATT in trouble, but can do nothing. THE CREATURE begins to claw its way up her body. ALICE screams in pain. She's holding their combined body weight. Every movement THE CREATURE makes is agony.

CLOSE ON THE CREATURE

as it tightens its grip on ALICE. It's going to drag them both to their deaths.

CLOSE ON THE UNDEAD J.D.

his inhuman eyes, his gaping mouth. His undead hands all over MATT, clawing at his face.

MATT struggles with J.D. He has one finger on the revolver at J.D.'s belt.

CLOSE ON THE CREATURE

as its jaws snap at ALICE.

CLOSE ON ALICE

to reveal her fist, filled with vials of T-4, the T-virus antidote. She jams them into the jaws of THE CREATURE. The vials break and spill liquid everywhere.

The antidote reacts with THE CREATURE as though it were acid. The inside of its mouth begins to bubble and burn. Its skin cracking and popping.

CLOSE ON MATT

as he finally gets his hand on J.D.'s gun. But J.D. lunges at MATT'S exposed throat. They both overbalance and begin to fall. MATT'S reflexes save him, but the undead J.D. isn't as fast. He pitches off the ladder and plunges to his death. Again.

MATT

No!

But his cry isn't for J.D. It's for the gun, which slips from his hand.

CLOSE ON THE REVOLVER

as it spins through the air. Its fall suddenly arrested by a hand. She catches it, and in one deft move, turns it on THE CREATURE.

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ALICE

Back to hell with you.

CLOSE ON THE BULLET

as it races from within the gun. We see the rifling of the barrel race past us and then track through the open air as the bullet flies towards THE CREATURE'S head. We are inches behind it as the bullet tears into THE CREATURE, cracking through its armored hide, already weakened by the T-4.

THE CAMERA plunges into the entry wound and plows through THE CREATURE'S skull and brain matter. All the time following the bullet, until finally emerging into the blinding light again through the exit wound.

CLOSE ON THE CREATURE

as slowly, painfully, it loses its grip on ALICE and pitches back into the depths.

INT. PLATFORM

Far below, the walls are begin to whip past faster and faster. The empty platform is accelerating to incredible speeds.

INT. CAVERN DUSK

The platform crashes into the cave floor at over 200 m.p.h. Broken rock, splintered wood and twisted metal fly everywhere.

CLOSE ON THE CREATURE

as it tumbles through the air, its agonized howls are brought to an abrupt halt as it hits --

THE REMANTS OF THE PLATFORM.

A huge broken shard of wooden flooring impales THE CREATURE.

Its own body weight dragging it down the jagged shaft. THE CREATURE spasms and the last breath leaves its twisted body.

What is left of THE CREATURE hangs a few feet above the floor of the wrecked platform, dripping the dark oily substance that passes for its blood. An explosion of bones and organs. Some recognizably human, some not.

CLOSE ON A PIECE OF PAPER

as it drifts slowly through the air. It had fallen from ALICE'S pocket during the struggle.

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We follow the paper until eventually it lands on the bizarre remnants of THE CREATURE. As slime and ooze soak through the paper, it unfolds, to reveal the words:

"TODAY ALL YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE"

INT. MANSION - ENTRANCE HALLWAY DAWN.

MATT appears at the lip of the shaft. Hauls himself onto the mansion floor.

MATT

What the hell did you do to that thing?

ALICE (O.S.)

Something the Queen said.

ALICE emerges, and then drags TWELVE from the open shaft.

ALICE (CONT'D)

She said the Creature was the product of the same genetic material as the undead. So I figured the antidote would effect it harm it in some way.

TWELVE groans. His head bus to one side. Near exhaustion, but still hanging on.

ALICE

We'd better get him to a hospital.

They hoist TWELVE between them and head for the mansion door.

MATT

(shakes his head)

Hell of a night.

Just as ALICE'S hand reaches for the door, the wrist alarm on TWELVE'S left hand goes off. A shrill beeping noise. The digital wrist clock flashes: 00:00:00

ALICE

Now what?

EXT. MANSION - STEPS - DAWN

ALICE swings open the mansion door. But instead of a fresh breeze and a brand new dawn, they find themselves still inside.

The whole mansion has been tented out! Contained within a viral perimeter.

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Sudden banks of bright lights kick in, blinding the survivors. Gloved hands reach for, them. Faceless TECHNICIANS hidden beneath monstrous anti-viral suits.

From one horror to another!

INT. DARKWING HELICOPTER DAWN.

ALICE is bundled into the back of the Darkwing. The door slams behind her, and she finds herself staring into the reflective visor of a clean suit. No sign of a face beneath, just her own reflection.

ALICE  
Where's Matt? What about Twelve?

The TECHNICIAN doesn't reply.

ALICE (CONT'D)  
He needs help!

TECH  
He's safe.

The voice is hideously distorted by an electronic filter.

TECH (CONT'D)  
You're all safe.

INT. SECOND DARKWING HELICOPTER - CONTINUOUS DAWN.

The stretcher holding TWELVE is loaded into the craft.

MEDIC  
Secure!

As the Darkwing begins to take off, a team of MEDICS race to save TWELVE'S life.

MEDIC 2  
Jesus he's a mess.

MEDIC 3  
Vitals are plunging!

MEDIC 1  
50 cc's of adrenaline!

MEDIC 2

He's going flatline.

TWELVE'S eyes flicker and then close.

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CHIEF MEDIC  
Come on goddamn it!

The CHIEF MEDIC rips his mask off.

MEDIC 2

What are you doing! Protocol ....

CHIEF MEDIC  
Fuck protocol! I'm not going to let  
this man die.

The Chief Medic begins to give TWELVE mouth to mouth. If anyone can save him, this man can. He has GEORGE CLOONEY written all over him.

CHIEF MEDIC (CONT'D)  
Breathe ....

He blows another lung-full of air into TWELVE'S month.

CHIEF MEDIC (CONT'D)  
.... Breathe ....

And another.

CHIEF MEDIC (CONT'D)  
.... Breathe ....

The Chief Medic's lips touch TWELVE'S for the last time, when suddenly THE PATIENT'S EYES SPRING OPEN. TWELVE is back to life, but not the way they had intended.

The doctor screams as the newly undead TWELVE lunges at him.

SMASH CUT TO:

CLOSE UP EYES

Blue eyes snap open. Woken from a bad dream. WIDEN to reveal a woman's face to go with the eyes. It's not perfection, but it's close.

Wait a second. Haven't we been here before?

WIDER STILL TO REVEAL:

INT. THE CELL

White on white. Padded walls and an electronically locked door. ALICE lies on the floor. Coming round.

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She squints. The bright white light hurts her eyes. Even her hospital gown is crisp starched white.

High above, out of reach, a smoked glass window. A light comes on behind it to reveal four figures. THE INTERROGATORS.

INTERROGATOR 1  
What happened in the hive?

ALICE  
Who are you people? Where am I?

INTERROGATOR 2  
We ask the questions.

ALICE  
Where are my friends?

INTERROGATOR 1  
What happened in the Hive?

ALICE

You have no right to hold me here I

The light behind the smoked glass window dims, and The INTERROGATORS disappear from view.

INT. THE CELL

ALICE lies on the bare floor. White on white.

A siren wakes her.

The light behind the smoked glass window comes on. The INTERROGATORS are revealed once more.

INTERROGATOR 1

What happened in the Hive?

ALICE

I'm not answering your questions I

INTERROGATOR 2

What happened in the Hive?

ALICE

I know what you're trying to do  
you're trying to hush this whole  
thing up.

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INTERROGATOR 1

You don't realize the gravity of  
your situation.

ALICE

Well I'm not going to keep my mouth  
shut, you understand?

INTERROGATOR 1

Things would go better for you if  
you coopeated.

ALICE

Where are my friends?

The INTERROGATORS remain silent.

ALICE (CONT'D)

Where are they dammit!

INTERROGATOR 2

What happened in the Hive?

ALICE

Screw you!

The light behind the smoked glass window dims. The INTERROGATORS disappear from view.

INT. THE CELL

ALICE sits in the corner, her back against the wall. White on white.

She has no idea if it is night or day.

She has no idea how long she's been here.

A day? A week? A month?

She stares at the white label on her white hospital gown. It bears the logo of the UMBRELLA CORPORATION.

The siren sounds again. ALICE looks up as the light behind the smoked glass window comes on. But The INTERROGATORS are nowhere to be seen. Their seats are empty. Instead, a half lit figure moves behind the glass. It seems unsteady on its feet.

CLOSE ON ALICE

as she hears a terrifyingly familiar sound. A low groaning noise. It seems almost human. Almost.

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At that moment, the electronic lock by the door clicks from red to green. The padded cell door swings open an inch. No telling what horror waits outside. But what choice does she have?

EXT. CORRIDOR OUTSIDE THE CELL

The same bright white on white. A corridor stretching off into infinity. ALICE nervously peers around the door. Straight into the face of

ALICE

MATT!

Dressed in an identical hospital gown.

MATT

They were holding me in a cell next door.

ALICE

What is this place?

MATT

Some kind of Umbrella facility.

She gazes down the endless white corridor. No sign of life.

ALICE

And where is everyone?

SUDDENLY a figure steps into the foreground. It scares MATT and ALICE almost as much as it does us.

ALICE (CONT'D)

You're okay!

Before them stands a familiar holographic teenage girl. Only now she is dressed all in white.

WHITE QUEEN

No.

There is a sadness in her voice.

WHITE QUEEN (CONT'D)

I think you're mistaking me for my sister. I didn't understand what my she was trying to do. I helped kill her.

The young girl looks imploringly at ALICE. Is it possible?

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WHITE QUEEN (CONT'D)

I was wrong.

They are interrupted by distant gunfire. The screams of the dying.

MATT

What happened here?

WHITE QUEEN

The infection spreads to cover the United States within 13 days .... Canada and South America in 27 days .... Worldwide infection in less than two months.

The WHITE QUEEN is quoting her sister verbatim. She turns to ALICE.

WHITE QUEEN (CONT'D)

We couldn't contain it.

The sound of gunfire is getting closer.

WHITE QUEEN (CONT'D)

I think you'd better go. It's not safe

ALICE takes one last look back at the WHITE QUEEN. Her eyes hold a sadness no teenager has ever known.

WHITE QUEEN (CONT'D)

(quietly)

Go.

MATT and ALICE run down the corridor. After a moment they are swallowed in the blinding white light.

DISSOLVE TO:

CLOSE UP EYES

Blue eyes snap open. Waken from a bad dream. WIDEN to reveal a woman's face to go with the eyes. It's not perfection, but it's close.

ALICE sits up with a start. She is in bed. Naked. The scars from THE HIVE are old now. A good six months must have passed.

MATT (O.S.)

You okay?

WIDER TO REVEAL

CONTINUED:

the interior of a big R.V. ALICE is in the back on the fold-out bed. MATT is up front, driving. The rent-a-cop uniform is gone, replaced with jeans and a black sweater. And guns. Lots of guns.

ALICE

Yeah .... bad dreams.

MATT

Why don't I find that surprising?

ALICE

How we doing?

MATT

Almost there. Another ten, twelve miles.

As ALICE pulls on some clothes, she looks around the familiar cramped interior of the R.V. She smiles at the piles of "Guns and Ammo" magazines. She clearly shares this place with MATT.

EXT. CEMETERY - DUSK

A huge urban graveyard. Thousands were once buried here.

But now all the graves have been dug up. From within.

In the distance, movement. An R.V.

EXT. RECREATIONAL VEHICLE - DUSK

As the R.V. races past, we see that it has been heavily modified. Thick metal plating covers most of the windows, and a gun turret has been added to the roof.

A serious piece of post apocalyptic hardware.

INT. RECREATIONAL VEHICLE - FRONT SEATS DUSK.

ALICE, now dressed, sits down beside MATT. His hands rest on the steering wheel. We notice that he wears a gold band on his left hand. The one SPENCE had once worn. The twin of ALICE'S.

ALICE

I keep thinking about the Hive- You think we could have done things differently? Stopped them there?

MATT

Doubtful. But it's a nice thought.

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CONTINUED:

She looks out through the windshield. We still haven't seen where they're going.

ALICE

Almost there.

She turns back to MATT.

ALICE (CONT'D)

You think we'll find anyone alive?

EXT. CITY STREET - DUSK

The R.V. cruises down a street lined with abandoned cars and trucks. No drivers, no passengers, no pedestrians. MATT and ALICE are the only one alive here.

A Brinks armored car lies on its side. A strongbox spills \$100 bills out into the street. They flutter idly In the wind.

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EXT. BROOKLYN BRIDGE - DUSK

The R.V. races over the deserted bridge, headed for Manhattan.

THE CAMERA CRANES UP to reveal the New York skyline. Both familiar, yet terrifyingly different. For now there is no movement, no lights, no sign of life.

The sun sinks beneath the tall buildings, and the tiny R.V. is swallowed by the silent city.

THE END

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