

INT. IVAN'S ROOM-DAY

Ivan is hanging upside down from the chin-up bar, playing the violin. It is a light-hearted song. There is a knock at the door.

IVAN  
Gelir! Uh, come in!

The Brawn enters the room.

THE BRAWN  
What's gelir?

IVAN  
It's... Turkish. I learned that language last night.

THE BRAWN  
Whoa! What for?

IVAN  
It confuses the voices in my head.  
Is something wrong?

THE BRAWN  
Oh! Uh, Legend wants to know if your wrist communicator is working.

IVAN  
Huh? Oh. I put my gear in my closet. Sorry.

THE BRAWN  
There's a meeting soon. Need help getting down, little bro?

IVAN  
Nope! Got it.

Ivan jumps down and lands on his feet, gingerly carrying his violin. He puts it back in its case.

IVAN  
See you up there, man!

The Brawn leaves, and Ivan proceeds to put his gear on.

INT. LEGEND'S OFFICE-DAY

Ivan walks into the room. The team, Legend, and Anya are already there. Ivan takes a seat.

IVAN

I didn't realize everyone was waiting for me. What's up?

LEGEND

We have reason to believe that Zampano might still be alive.

IVAN

What?!

Legend pulls up several news reports on the holograph viewer.

LEGEND

I did some research over the weekend and found several reports over the years of a man who looks exactly like Zampano being killed.

NIGHTLURKER

So, Zampano carries the same talent as Ivan?

IVAN

That doesn't make sense! Zampano was lying on the ground for at least an hour for what we saw! He wasn't healing!

LEGEND

Zampano's appearance only has one difference in every report.

Legend zooms in on a report with a picture of a dead Zampano. He points at Zampano's arm.

LEGEND

There is a number seven marked on his forearm. But on this one,

Legend pulls up a different report.

## LEGEND

There is the number sixteen.

Ivan pales as he realizes something. A memory flashes of Zampano turning to the side. A number is seen on his arm.

## IVAN

Zampano... He had the number 47 on his arm!

## THE BRAWN

This guy has died 47 times?! How does he come back?

## LEGEND

I think he can answer that question for us. Anya?

Anya walks up to Ivan with a device in her hands. She smiles at Ivan faintly, then presses a small device to Ivan's forehead.

## ANYA

This might tickle.

There is a high-pitched buzzing sound. Ivan shouts in pain. The team winces.

## IVAN

What was that?!

## ANYA

We drilled into your brain to tap into your subconscious. Don't worry. It'll heal.

Ivan frowns.

## LEGEND

Ivan has voiced recently that Zampano appears in his head as a voice. We believe there is something to this.

The holograph viewer changes. Ivan, in reverse colors, shows up on the screen. He looks annoyed.

## BLACK

Hey! This is my head too, you know!

Everyone looks surprised.

IVAN

It's... you!

BLACK

Yeah, but you were probably meaning  
to talk to psycho overe here, huh?

Zampano is seen briefly, shouting angrily in Turkish. Then  
Black reappears.

BLACK

I'm not going to translate that.  
He's upset that we filled our mind  
with Turkish. It's getting to him.

NIGHTLURKER

"Our" mind?

BLACK

Ivan and I are one person. I am his  
mind's voice.

IVAN

It's complicated.

LEGEND

Zampano!

Zampano reappears on the screen. He looks annoyed.

ZAMPANO

What?!

LEGEND

We have some questions for you to  
answer for us. How did you implant  
yourself in Ivan's mind?

ZAMPANO

Why should I tell you? I'm holding  
Ivan's mind hostage! I'm the one  
calling the shots!

LEGEND

Far from it. Guards?

Armed robots enter the room, surrounding the table. They all point their guns at Ivan. Everyone looks shocked. Ivan raises his hands slowly in surrender.

IVAN

Sir? What's going on?

LEGEND

We have reason to believe that Zampano has figured out a way to transfer his personality into the mind of another in case he dies, and then is able to replace it into a clone. Isn't that right, Zampano?

Zampano is quiet, then he chuckles with a smile.

ZAMPANO

You think I figured that out? Ha! The only thing I had to figure out was how to clone myself over the period of several decades! It wasn't easy, I assure you. But being heinously rich has helped, of course. Now all that's left is to transfer myself into my newest clone.

Zampano looks angrily at Hero.

ZAMPANO

And once I do that, I'm coming after you! I don't take kindly to people who kill me, and I tend to exact revenge on them with the next clone!

Hero looks slightly afraid.

LEGEND

I'm afraid you won't get the chance.

Legend signals at the guards. One of them presses his gun against the side of Ivan's head. Ivan looks wary.

IVAN

Sir...?

The team reacts.

JAYDE

Sir! You're seriously considering this?!

ANYA

Legend! This was not what we discussed!

LEGEND

If we kill Ivan while Zampano is still in his head, Zampano will die for good.

IVAN

B-but I'll come back, right?

LEGEND

I'm afraid the only way to permanently kill Zampano is to permanently kill you as well.

The team gasps. The Brawn stands.

THE BRAWN

No! I won't let you kill my little brother!

HERO

Sir, this is ridiculous! You can't be serious!

LEGEND

I'm very serious, Hero. I have a sworn duty to protect the innocent lives of this city. Zampano has proven to be a great danger. Ivan, you understand, right?

Ivan thinks for a moment. He nods.

IVAN

Y-yes.

Hero also stands, pulling out two guns and pointing them at the robots.

HERO

No! I won't let you do this! There has to be another way!

ZAMPANO

Well, Legend, it seems we are at an impasse. Are you going to kill us? Or aren't you?

IVAN

Sir! It's alright. If you don't kill me, he's going to take revenge on Hero!

HERO

I don't care! You can't just murder him to get rid of a villain!

NIGHTLURKER

I have to agree. There must be an alternate solution.

Everyone begins to argue. Ivan looks around at them. He looks sad. Then, a look of determination crosses his face. He stands, several of the guards reacting. Ivan pulls out an enejaō.

IVAN

Let me decide for you!

Ivan takes his sword, and stabs himself through the middle. Everyone gasps. Zampano disappears from the screen for a moment, but then reappears a few seconds later.

ZAMPANO

How lucky for me! You'll never guess what I just found out how to do!

Zampano disappears again. Then his laugh emits from Ivan. He pulls the sword out of him and his wound heals immediately. Zampano's voice comes out of Ivan.

ZAMPANO

Ivan's brain is really quite interesting! I've never entered a mind as addled as this one before! I can even take control over it!

Ivan looks around at everyone in spiteful triumph.

ZAMPANO

Ah, it looks like I'm the only one with a healing ability in this room! I might not get a chance this good again!

Ivan pulls out his other enejatō. He looks at Hero.

ZAMPANO

I'm going to start with you!

Ivan lunges at Hero. Everyone is about to react, when a gunshot is heard. Everyone looks at Hero. One of her guns is smoldering. She looks upset, and a tear trickles down her cheek. Ivan looks down at his chest, a bullet wound in it. As it heals, Hero lets off several more rounds, pelting Ivan backwards. He falls off the table and lands on the ground, eyes closed. The device falls off his forehead.

THE BRAWN

Is he...?

LEGEND

He's unctious. If we let him rest, he'll heal and wake up. We have to-

A bullet zings past Legend's head. He turns to Hero, who is pointing both of her guns at him.

HERO

Kill him, and you'll have to kill me.

THE BRAWN

Me, too! I can't just sit here and watch you kill my little brother!

LEGEND

You saw what just happened! Zampano took over Ivan's body! He could do it again! I daresay he's even more dangerous than normal in Ivan's body!

IVAN (O.S.)

Then you don't know what he's capable of.

Everyone looks at Ivan. He stands up. The robots move with him and continue to point their guns at Ivan's head. Ivan lifts his hands, dropping his swords.

IVAN

Zampano is a true monster in his own body. We can't allow him to get to his newest clone.

Ivan shudders, looking afraid.

IVAN

He... he can do things. Scary things.

He looks up at Hero.

IVAN

He's been trying to get me to kill you for a while, now. But now that he knows how to take over my mind, you're not safe around me. Nobody is.

NIGHTLURKER

I still do not believe that killing you is the only answer. There must be another way!

Ivan groans, putting a hand to his head.

IVAN

I'd appreciate it if you could find one, but we shouldn't wait long. Zampano is really strong. He's trying to resurface.

ZAMPANO (V.O.)  
Oh, Iiiiiivaaaaan...

Zampano's chuckling echos in Ivan's mind. Ivan flinches. He pushes a robot out of the way and steps toward the window.

IVAN  
He's coming back! Don't let me get outside!

LEGEND  
Open fire!

HERO  
No!!

Ivan's eyes darken and he grins as he runs for the window. A loud shattering noise fills the room, as Ivan and several bullets break the window. Ivan gets hit a few times, but falls to the city below. Legend sighs.

LEGEND  
I just opened fire on one of my own! Ivan, of all people!

Legend turns to look at Anya. She is glaring at him.

LEGEND  
I'm so sorry.

Anya turns and leaves the room in silence. Legend bows his head.

LEGEND  
Where are my priorities?

The team stares at him in silence. Jayde stands up.

JAYDE  
I'm going after him.

NIGHTLURKER  
What will you do when you find him?

JAYDE  
I'm not sure, but I have to save Ivan. He doesn't deserve to die like this.

The Brawn stands up.

THE BRAWN

I'm going too! Zampano's gonna pay!

NIGHTLURKER

Of course we are all going! What  
are we waiting for?!

EXT. ARBEIVILLE-DAY

Ivan walks down the street in full gear. He looks around,  
looking slightly lost.

ZAMPANO

What part of town is this? I never  
come over here. Where's my club?

BLACK (V.O.)

A little lost, are we?

ZAMPANO

Shut up! All I have to do is find  
Main Street and I'm golden!

BLACK (V.O.)

But are we uptown, or downtown?

ZAMPANO

Stop confusing me!

A beautiful woman walks by. Ivan winks at her as she  
passes. She looks slightly disgusted and walks away  
quickly. Ivan looks frustrated.

ZAMPANO

That's right. I'm in the body of  
the mental mutant.

A kid calls out from across the street.

KID

Daddy, look! It's that freak on TV  
you were talking about!

ZAMPANO

Hey! Who are you calling a freak,  
you stupid kid?!

People walking by turn to see what's going on. The boy's father looks highly offended.

MAN

What did you just say to my son?!

People begin to crowd.

WOMAN

Aren't you supposed to be some kind of hero? Quit picking on people!

CIVILIAN

Yeah, the other Unstoppables wouldn't dream of being mean to us!

Ivan looks around, then seems to get an idea.

ZAMPANO

Yeah, well I'm Street Ninja! I don't have to answer to those jokers! I can do whatever I want!

Ivan pulls out a sword and slices through a lamp post. It crashes to the ground. People shout in protest.

BLACK (V.O.)

What are you doing?! You're giving us an even worse name!

ZAMPANO

Lead me to my club and I'll quit! You've been all over the city, right?

BLACK (V.O.)

Gah! Head down this street for two blocks and turn right!

ZAMPANO

Great! Smell you later, losers! Remember, I'm Street Ninja!

Ivan runs away. People boo at him as he leaves. Just as he disappears from view, The Unstoppables show up. The booing turns into cheering. Jayde sees the lamp post on the ground.

JAYDE

What happened here?

MAN

You need to learn how to control that freak of yours! He called my boy stupid!

WOMAN

Then he broke the lamp post!

CIVILIAN

Then he called us all losers and ran away!

NIGHTLURKER

I am surprised that is all he did. I was worried he would kill someone.

The civilians gasp. Hero pushes on his shoulder roughly.

HERO

You're not helping Ivan's image.

JAYDE

I'm sorry, everyone! Street Ninja's brain has been taken over by a wanted criminal! He doesn't really act like this. You know him! He's been on our team for two years now!

MAN

I don't trust him! He seems almost alien!

THE BRAWN

It's not his fault! He's the way he is because-

Nightlurker stops him.

NIGHTLURKER

It is no use, The Brawn. Let us just continue to look for our friend.

JAYDE

Do any of you know where he went?

MAN

He headed down that way just before you got here. Please hurry. The sooner that maniac is off the streets, the better.

INT. ZAMPANO'S CLUB-DAY

Ivan throws the doors open and grins.

ZAMPANO

Hello, my precious club! Daddy's home!

The club is practically empty. Only a few workers are there, cleaning the counters and floors. They look up and see him.

WORKER

Who the heck are you? Get out of our boss's club!

ZAMPANO

Don't you dare talk to me like that, Steven! I can buy and sell you, slime!

WORKER

Z-Zampano! It's you! I-I didn't realize!

ZAMPANO

Where's Gene? Stella! Is the basement ready? I'm ready to get out of this mutant's body!

Gene and Stella appear. Stella smiles and runs up to Ivan and gives him a hug.

STELLA

Zampano! I was so worried! When that girl with the guns shot you, I-

ZAMPANO

Everything is fine. Prepare the basement, Gene. Zampano is making a comeback.

The doors blow in, and The Brawn is seen with his fist outstretched. The Unstoppables are behind him.

JAYDE

Not so fast! Give us back our team member!

ZAMPANO

What?! How did you find me?!

NIGHTLURKER

We followed the path of destruction. In trying to make a bad name for our friend, you led us right to you.

Ivan looks frustrated. Then he smiles. He turns and walks away.

ZAMPANO

Deal with them. Gene, follow me.

GENE

Yes, Sir!

The workers drop what they're doing, and pull weapons out of their uniforms.

THE BRAWN

What kind of club is this?! Even the janitors are armed to the teeth!

ZAMPANO

You can never be too careful when you're me.

Ivan disappears. The team strikes a fighting stance. The workers begin to fight them, showing amazing skill.

THE BRAWN

I'll never underestimate another janitor as long as I live!

HERO

We don't have time for this!  
Zampano is going to enter his next  
clone, and then we'll be too late!

INT. ZAMPANO'S BASEMENT-DAY

Ivan enters the basement and looks around. The basement is dark, but there is technical equipment everywhere. Ivan walks over to one corner of the room. There in the corner, stands a large tube. Inside the tube, the body of Zampano can be seen. The number '57' is tattooed on his arm. Ivan smiles up at the clone.

ZAMPANO

Handsome as ever, aren't we?

Ivan turns around to Gene.

ZAMPANO

Prepare the transferral. And make  
sure this hero is strapped down. We  
don't want him to get away. If  
Master will pay big for the  
mutant's heart, imagine what he'll  
pay for the mutant's whole body!

GENE

Yes, Sir!

Ivan lays down on a stretcher. Gene fastens him down securely. Then he places a device on Ivan's head. Ivan closes his eyes. Gene is about to press a button on a keyboard, when Ivan's eyes suddenly open. They are his regular color, now. He rips out of the bed and sits up. He kicks a computer to the floor.

IVAN

That was close! I can't let Zampano  
get his body back! There's gotta be  
a way to destroy him without  
destroying myself!

Gene backs away.

GENE

Street Ninja! Must you go and ruin everything?! You know that Zampano is going to blame me for all of this!

IVAN

I can't help that you didn't secure me down tight enough! Getting out of there was just too easy!

Ivan looks around the room. He pulls out a sword and is about to destroy some of the computers, but suddenly doubles over in pain.

ZAMPANO (V.O.)

I won't let you destroy all my hard work! I'll kill you first!

Ivan holds his hands in his head, groaning in pain.

IVAN

If... If you kill me, you'll go down with me!

ZAMPANO (V.O.)

I've spent half a century on this work! I'll gladly die if it keeps it safe! Master will bring me back!

IVAN

Who's 'Master'?

Ivan suddenly falls to the floor. His eyes close. His eyes open again as he smiles. His eyes are dark again. He stands up.

ZAMPANO

Shoving him into his most painful memories should keep him busy for a while!

BLACK (V.O.)

You forgot something.

ZAMPANO

Oh?

BLACK (V.O.)

Those painful memories aren't just  
in our mind.

Flashes of the Inner Eye symbol and explosions run through  
Ivan's head. He gasps.

BLACK (V.O.)  
They are our mind.

Ivan suddenly reels as several memories flash in his mind.  
The symbol, explosions, extension chords, the shadow of  
someone being hung. Screams accompany the images. Ivan  
shouts.

ZAMPANO  
But why are these memories  
bothering me?! This isn't my  
backstory, this is Ivan's!

BLACK (V.O.)  
But you're in our body, Stupid!

Ivan suddenly seems to be listening, panting heavily. Loud  
footsteps and The Brawn's muffled voice can be heard.

ZAMPANO  
The Unstoppables are done with my  
workers already? I can't let them  
find this place! Gene! Do it now!

BLACK (V.O.)  
NO!

Gene pushes a button, and the device on Ivan's head begins  
to spark. Ivan groans, and falls to the ground. Gene steps  
forward timidly. Suddenly, Ivan jumps up and pulls out a  
sword. He throws the device off his head and points his  
sword at Gene.

IVAN  
Get in my way, and I will kill you.

Then Ivan swivels around and throws his sword at the tube  
with Zampano in it. The sword flies towards Zampano, but  
suddenly stops. The sword is surrounded by a yellow-green  
aura. Suddenly, Zampano's eyes open, and he grins  
devilishly. The sword flips around and flies toward Ivan.

Ivan barely dodges. He looks at Zampano with a bewildered expression.

IVAN  
How did you-?

The sword flies at him again. Ivan pulls out his other sword and deflects Zampano's attacks several times. He gets cut in a few places, but his wounds immediately heal.

NIGHTLURKER (O.S.)  
I hear fighting! It could be Street  
Ninja!

Ivan gasps.

IVAN  
Guys! Don't come down here! Zampano  
is-

The team appears on the stairs. Zampano's eyes turn towards them. Zampano spots Hero and the sword stops. It turns towards her. Ivan sees this, and grabs the sword.

IVAN  
Guys! Zampano has psychic powers!  
Get out of here before-

A crashing sound is heard. Everyone turns to see that Zampano has broken out of the tube. He picks himself up off the ground and lets out a laugh.

ZAMPANO  
Ah! It's good to be back! And  
better than ever, I might add!

Zampano takes a step forward and holds out his hands. The yellow-green aura surrounds Hero and Ivan. They struggle to get free.

IVAN  
I'm stuck! I can't let go of my  
sword!

He sees that Hero is captured too, and gasps.

IVAN

Zampano... Zampano! Don't do this!  
Anything but this!

ZAMPANO

I would've liked to kill her  
myself, Street Ninja, but I feel  
that the damage will last longer  
this way. Besides, I'm killing her  
too, in a way.

Zampano moves his hands closer together, and Ivan and Hero fly towards each other, Ivan with his sword outstretched. He shouts in horror. Hero cringes. Just before the sword makes contact with her, they both stop. There is a loud clang. Hero opens her eyes, and sees that a dark aura has stopped Ivan's sword from touching her. Nightlurker stands with a hand reached out to them. He sighs with relief.

THE BRAWN

Way to go, Nighty! Now it's my  
turn!

The Brawn stomps forward. Zampano sees him, and drops Ivan and Hero. The Brawn smiles confidently and raises his fists.

THE BRAWN

Now that you're not in my buddy's  
head anymore, squashing you will be  
easy!

The Brawn lets down his fists, but is stopped. He looks at Zampano, who has stopped The Brawn's fists, with his bare hands. The Brawn looks shocked.

THE BRAWN

Wha?! That should've killed you,  
Bro!

ZAMPANO

If you think that'll end me, you've  
got another thing coming... Bro.

Zampano curls his hands into fists, and punches The Brawn in the middle. The Brawn crashes into the far wall. Everyone is stunned. Zampano smiles triumphantly. Ivan stands, holding both swords. He looks defiantly at Zampano.

IVAN

You skipped some numbers, I see.  
Forget how to count?

Zampano chuckles.

ZAMPANO

My body has been quite busy while we were spending some quality time together. Perfecting all of your backstories has been... difficult. Playing with dangerous chemicals, black magic, being repeatedly struck by lightning... I died several times before I got the hang of it. But it has all paid off.

Zampano points at Ivan. A dark aura rope wraps around Ivan and black sparks fly. Ivan shouts in pain, falling to the ground. Nightlurker stands.

NIGHTLURKER

Stop this at once! That is an extremely dangerous spell! You don't know what you're playing with!

ZAMPANO

I know that I'm stronger than all of you combined! I'll kill you all where you stand!

Hero pulls Ivan into her arms. He is still writhing in pain. Hero looks at the others desperately.

HERO

We need to get out of here! We're no match for him!

THE BRAWN

I think I have to agree with you, Sis.

Jayde looks at everyone. Then she nods.

JAYDE

Nightlurker, dispell Ivan's curse.  
 Hero, help The Brawn. I'll cover  
 for you.

Everyone obeys and starts to leave. Jayde turns back to Zampano.

ZAMPANO

Leaving already? Too bad. At least  
 take a going away present!

Zampano throws a vial at the floor next to Jayde. The area bursts into flames. Jayde stops short. She stares at the flames, frozen with fear. Nightlurker looks back at her.

NIGHTLURKER

Jayde! Come on!

He turns around and steps down to her, grabbing her wrist. She looks at him with wide-eyed fear.

NIGHTLURKER

It's okay. I am here for you.

Zampano reaches out with his hands and grabs Nightlurker with his psychic powers. Jayde sees this, and seems to snap out of her fear. She reaches out and uses her psychic powers to grab Nightlurker as well. She breaks him away from Zampano's grasp and sets him back on his feet beside her. She glowers at Zampano.

JAYDE

You may have copied my psychic  
 powers, but you can't copy the  
 years of practice I've had!

She and Nightlurker escape. Zampano starts after them, but stops. He smiles. Using his black magic, he chokes out the flames. Gene comes out of hiding. Zampano sees him.

GENE

Sir! They got away!

ZAMPANO

I wouldn't worry about it. They'll  
 be too afraid to come back here  
 again.

GENE

But weren't you supposed to sell  
Street Ninja's heart to Master?

ZAMPANO

Master can wait. I look out for  
myself, first, and I have a score  
to settle with that gun-wielding  
little girl.

EXT. ARBEIVILLE-DAY

The team walks down the street. The Brawn is limping, and  
Hero supports Ivan, who feebly stumbles alongside her.

HERO

Why aren't you healing?

IVAN

It's slow, but I am. I've been  
healing a lot today. I just need to  
give it some time.

Pedestrians see the team. Some civilians from earlier point  
at Ivan.

CIVILIAN 1

Look, it's Street Ninja! Hope he  
doesn't cause any more trouble in  
our city!

CIVILIAN 2

Yeah, that freak doesn't fit in our  
city at all!

Ivan winces, his ears drooping, but he doesn't have the  
strength to do much else. Hero shoots the people a glare.

HERO

Hey! This is our friend! He was  
possessed by a criminal! If you  
can't be grateful to someone who  
works hard to keep the city safe,  
then you're the freak! Show some  
respect!

JAYDE

Hush, Hero. Let them be.

IVAN

It... won't do much good... But  
thank you.

Some cops approach the team. They point their weapons at Ivan.

COP

Street Ninja, you are under arrest  
for disturbing the peace and  
destroying public property. You'll  
have to come with us.

THE BRAWN

What? You're gonna arrest a hero?

COP

We have no choice. He broke the  
law.

NIGHTLURKER

But he was possessed by Zampano!

COP

Nice try, Nightlurker, but we all  
know that Zampano is dead. You  
don't have to cover for your  
friend. We'll see that he gets a  
fair trial.

JAYDE

But you can't-

IVAN

Guys. It's okay.

Ivan takes his arm off Hero's shoulders and approaches one of the cops. He pulls out his sword handles and lets them fall to the ground, then holds out his hands.

IVAN

I'll come quietly. I don't want any  
trouble.

The cop handcuffs him and leads him to a patrol car. The team looks after him wistfully. Ivan gives them a half-

hearted smile.

THE BRAWN

We're gonna fix this, little bro!  
We'll get you out of this mess!

Ivan gets in the car, and it drives away.

INT. ARBEIVILLE PRISON-AFTERNOON

Out of gear, Ivan is taken down a hallway of jail cells, and is brought before an empty one. He willingly steps inside and the prison door closes and locks after him. Ivan heaves a sigh and sits on the bed.

RUBELLA (O.S.)

Well, well! Look who's here! If it  
isn't the famous Street Ninja!

Ivan looks up and sees Rubella in the cell across from him. Ivan allows a small smile.

IVAN

Infamous. Haven't you heard?

Other villains look out their prison doors to see Ivan.

HODOLPH

Did you say Street Ninja?! What in  
blue blazes are you doing on that  
side of the prison door??

Ivan leans back in his bed.

IVAN

I've been framed by Zampano. It'll  
all be sorted out soon.

BLACK (V.O.)

We hope...

Hodolph laughs.

HODOLPH

This is wonderful! Now you know  
what it's like!

X. PLODE

You and I are gonna have some fun  
during mealtime!

JAQUI

Not if I get to him, first!

A loud uproar of villains begins. Ivan simply closes his eyes and lays in his bed.

INT. ARBEIVILLE PRISON-EVENING

Ivan lays in his bed with his hands behind his head. He hears the prison door open. A cop pokes his head in.

COP

You coming to dinner or what?

Ivan groans as he sits up. He follows the cop down the hallway.

INT. PRISON CAFETERIA-EVENING

Ivan walks into the large room. There are security guards standing by every exit. They are all heavily armed.

COP

Keep moving, Street Ninja. Nobody's allowed to hang around by the doors like that.

Ivan look at him.

IVAN

I'm not trying to escape, if that's what you're worried about.

COP

You can never be too careful. This prison does hold super villains after all.

IVAN

But I was one of the people putting them here!

The cop doesn't react. Ivan sighs and moves away from the door. He approaches the cafeteria food table.

BLACK (V.O.)

This is stupid! What are we even doing here? Are... are we stuck here forever?

IVAN

Of course not. The team will figure out something.

Ivan picks up a tray and puts some mashed potatoes and carrots on it. Then he turns to walk toward more food, but a foot sticks out and trips him. He falls face-flat into his mashed potatoes. Ivan looks up to see Jaqui's smiling face. Hodolph is sitting at a table beside her. She smirks at him.

JAQUI

Whoops! Didn't see you there!  
Sorry!

X. Plode and Hodolph laugh. Ivan picks himself up off the floor and wipes the potatoes off his face. He heaves a sigh.

BLACK (V.O.)

We're stronger than anyone else in this room! Let's teach them all a lesson!

Ivan quickly turns away and picks up another tray. Hodolph gets up and smacks it out of his hands. Ivan looks around, and sees that some of the cops are watching, but not reacting. Hodolph smiles.

HODOLPH

What, not going to do anything?  
You're no fun.

Hodolph pushes Ivan to the ground. Everyone is watching now. Ivan frowns.

BLACK (V.O.)

If you don't do something about this soon, then I will!

IVAN

Shut up!

HODOLPH

Talking to the voice in your head,  
are you? Is he too chicken to fight  
me too, then?

Ivan grows serious. He does a flip to land back on his feet, and stares at Hodolph for a moment. Hodolph looks ready for a fight, but Ivan looks at the cops. They all have their hands on their weapons, waiting. Ivan turns around and picks up another tray. Hodolph comes up and smacks it out of his hands as well. Ivan swivels around and grabs onto Hodolph's collar, winding up for a punch, but a cop shouts at him.

COP

Any funny buisness from you, and  
we'll be forced to take you out!

IVAN

I don't think I believe you! You  
haven't done anything about these  
losers and their funny buisness!  
How many times have they escaped  
from this prison now??

The cops look angry, and one of them runs up and smacks Ivan in the face with the butt of his weapon. Ivan recovers quickly, looking slightly surprised, but does nothing else.

BLACK (V.O.)

We're really good at making  
friends, aren't we?

COP

Listen, you. You call yourself a  
hero, but the damage that you cause  
while fighting crime is horrific!  
You deflect bombs so that they  
don't hit city hall, or company  
buildings! But what about people's  
homes? My daughter's house blew up  
while she was on vacation, and she  
came back to find The Tower's  
construction crew piecing it back  
together!

Ivan points at X. Plode.

IVAN

Who do you think threw that bomb?!  
We do our best to stop idiots like  
this from ruining the city, but we  
wouldn't have to if you guys would  
keep these goons behind bars!

The other cops become offended.

COP

Are you saying I'm not doing my  
job?!

COP

I work hard every day!

Hodolph smiles at the commotion. He takes this opportunity  
to rouse up the other prisoners and cause a riot. Ivan is  
overtaken by angry prisoners and cops alike.

INT. ARBEIVILLE PRISON-NIGHT

Legend and the team walk into the small entryway. Legend  
approaches the desk and speaks to the old lady sitting  
there.

LEGEND

Hello. I'm here to post bail for  
Ivan Daynes.

The old lady looks annoyed.

LADY

You really want to free that freak?

THE BRAWN

He's our friend! He's not a freak.

The lady just sniffs. Legend writes a check and the lady  
takes it and puts it into a file. She nods to a door.

LADY

Felix here will take you to your  
friend.

Felix, a man in a cop uniform, nods to them.

FELIX

If you'll all follow me.

The team and Legend follows him down a hallway as he fiddles with his keys.

FELIX

Personally, I think Street Ninja is a great guy, but he caused a pretty big uproar at dinner tonight. Chief put him into solitary confinement, to keep him away from Hodolph and the like.

NIGHTLURKER

What happened, exactly?

FELIX

Not sure. I think those villains started it, but Charles probably wanted to pick a fight as well. His daughter was part of the reconstruction project a while back.

LEGEND

I'm sorry to hear that.

Felix stops at a door, and opens it. Ivan sits in a small room with his wrists handcuffed together, and a muzzle covering most of his face. Hero gasps.

HERO

Ivan! What have they done to you?!

She pulls the muzzle off of his face. Ivan beams.

IVAN

Guys! Am I glad to see you!

THE BRAWN

We told you we'd figure it out!

Felix unlocks the handcuffs. Ivan rubs his wrists. They all leave the prison.

EXT. ARBEIVILLE PRISON-NIGHT

The team and Legend walk outside. Ivan carries his effects in his hands. The Unstoppable Car as well as Legend's motorbike are parked outside.

IVAN

Thanks for bailing me out, Legend.  
I'm really sorry about the mess.

LEGEND

Don't worry about it, Kid. I wish I could say you were the first superhero I've bailed out of jail, but that would be a lie.

JAYDE

I'm just glad it's all over.  
Hopefully we won't have any more big excitements for a while.

Ivan chuckles.

IVAN

Sorry, but if you're friends with me, I'm afraid life is always gonna be ex-

Ivan suddenly gets shot in the back of his neck with a dart. Everyone turns to look at him as he goes completely rigid and falls flat on his back. Hero kneels down over him.

HERO

Ivan? Ivan! What happened?!

Nightlurker finds the dart and inspects it. He puts two fingers against Ivan's neck. He gasps.

NIGHTLURKER

His heart has stopped! He is not breathing, either! Ivan!

HERO

Ivan!

Hero starts CPR. Jayde looks around.

JAYDE

I sense an aura over there! But something's off.

THE BRAWN

Off how?

Suddenly, the high tech hunter jumps out from the darkness and lands a few feet away.

HY-TEK

Back away from the ninja. He's coming with me.

END.