

AVENGERS ASSEMBLE
"To Infinity and...Asgard"

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Panel 1

Opening shot as the Avengers Quinjet streaks across the morning sky. The light reflects majestically across Asgard receding in the background as they fly over rocky hills and streams.

THOR:

Asgard is quite a site, is it not, Bruce?

BANNER:

I guess. You've seen one enchanted city, you've seen 'em all, right?

Panel 2

Bruce is sitting morosely in a seat looking out the window. Wasp is flying and Thor is co-pilot.

WASP:

Bruce!

THOR:

Do not worry, Wasp.

When our friend Bruce meets the scientists of Asgard, he shall cheer up.

Panel 3

Bruce in his seat. The ghosted image of the Hulk lets the reader know that he is also the Hulk.

BRUCE:

We've tried so many times, Thor.

Do you really think any scientists can help me get rid of the Hulk?

Panel 4

Reaction shot as they hear a noise against the hull of the Quinjet.

THOR:

These are no ordinary scientists, Bruce. Everything on Asgard has a bit of magic...whoa.

SPX:

Clanggkk!

BRUCE:

What was that? Did we just hit an air pocket?

Panel 5

Wasp looking out the window, as she tries to control the Quinjet, which is clearly giving her trouble.

WASP:

No. Definitely not an air pocket.

More like...flying rocks?

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Panel 1

External wide shot of the Quinjet as it is heading toward a rocky mountainside just outside Asgard. The nose and wing of the Quinjet are weighed down by three stone creatures. We saw Thor defeat one of these guys in Thor: The Dark World (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KMU8EPM0xMQ>). These are the smaller, human-size versions and they're trying to bring down the Quinjet.

THOR:

Stone trolls! Why would they be in this part of Asgard?!?

WASP:

I don't know, but they sure are heavy...I can't keep the Quinjet up.

Panel 2

Back inside the Quinjet, Wasp is trying valiantly to regain control, but it's no use. Every light on the instrument panel is lit up, the windshield is cracked, and smoke is pouring from the instrument panel.

WASP:

Hold tight, fellas. We're going to have a rocky landing.

Panel 3

The Quinjet comes to a skidding landing. The stone trolls fall off and break apart in the dust, smoke, and sparks.

SPX:

Skidddd!

Panel 4

Now that they've stopped Thor looks through the cracked, dusty windshield and sees who is responsible.

THOR:

I should have guessed.

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Panel 1

Big, powerful panel of Terrax and Thanos.

TERRAX:

Thanos, you said that the Thor would be out of Asgard, and yet here he is!

THANOS:

Continue digging, Terrax. Let me deal with this minor interruption.

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Panel 2

Thor steps out of the crashed Quinjet. As he does so, Wasp and Bruce look a little dazed from the crash. This is not a full-destruction crash, but the Quinjet is definitely damaged. The stone trolls are now just inanimate rubble on the wings and nose.

THOR:

You return to Asgard again to look for your lost gem?

Or were you looking for something else?

Panel 3

Close up of Thanos.

THANOS:

I seek only my Infinity Gem.

Leave now and you shall live.

Panel 4

Thanos and Thor smash into each other with appropriately epic force.

THOR:
You expect me to yield on Asgardian soil?

I fight...

...for Asgard!

SPX:
THOOM!

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Panel 1

Thanos and Thor are evenly matched. They both seem to be enjoying this.

THANOS:

You have grown stronger, Son of Odin.

But I soon I will have an Infinity Gem to increase my power!

Panel 2

Back by the Quinjet, Bruce looks alarmed. Wasp is trying to calm him.

BRUCE:

Thor needs our help, but I don't know how much help...the Hulk...will be....

WASP:

Stay calm, Bruce. Resist the change.

I sent a distress signal. Asgardian guards are coming.

Panel 3

Terrax commands the stone trolls to attack. They are leaping to attack Thor, who realizes he's about to get clobbered.

TERRAX:

Attack! Destroy Thor!

This is our chance!

Panel 4

Stone trolls rain down on Thor and Thanos. The stones striking them are being crushed and turned into powder. Smaller stones are ricocheting off of their super physiques to...

THANOS:

No, Terrax, keep digging! Find my Infinity gem!

Panel 5

...Wasp and Bruce. They are still by the Quinjet trying to take cover from the spray of rocks and dust. Wasp is getting whacked on the back of the head by a smaller stone. It should look painful. Bruce is reacting with shock and fear.

WASP:

Take cover, Bru...unghh!

SPX:

Krak.

BRUCE:

Janet!

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Hulk smashing to get to Terrax.

Panel 1

Terrax and Thanos really piling on Thor now. Thor's tough, but he's definitely in trouble.

TERRAX:

Finally, Thor, you shall kneel before the power of Terrax!

THANOS:

Terrax, I do not need you to defeat Thor!

Find my gem!

Panel 2

Bruce is cradling Janet's head. IF we are allowed to show blood, show it in her hair and on Bruce's hand. Bruce should also be showing signs of becoming the Hulk. If no blood, then play up Janet's limpness.

BRUCE:

Wasp! Janet! Are you...?

WASP:

Head...so...woozy...

BRUCE:

Stay awake!

Panel 3

Bruce is mid-change to the Hulk. Wasp is trying to calm him and seems to be getting better.

WASP:

Bruce, I'm going to be okay...don't Hulk out....

BRUCE:

Terrax hurt you, Janet....

...that makes me...very angry...!

Panel 4

Classic Bruce-to-Hulk change here.

HULK:
Graarrhhhhh!

Terrax hurt Wasp!

SPX:
Ripppp!

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Marvel style: Panel 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Let's play this for some light humor based on our love of the Hulk:

1. As Terrax is commanding his stone creatures to pile on Thor, he is unaware that Hulk is approaching.
2. Terrax realizes that Hulk is upon him. It will be one of the few times that Terrax shows surprise of any kind.
3. Hulk delivers a massive haymaker punch that sends Terrax flying.
4. Terrax is thrown backward, crashing directly through his legion of stone trolls.
5. Thor and Thanos pause their fighting for a moment to mentally process what has happened.
6. Thor reaction shot.

And now scripted:

Panel 1

Terrax commands his stone creatures to pound on Thor, who is now losing to Thanos. His costume is tattered and he's on one knee, but Thor fights on.

TERRAX:

Harder, you stone idiots!

THANOS:

Terrax, leave me immediately!

Panel 2:

Terrax is turning his massive head to the unexpected roar of the Hulk, who is not in the panel. You may want to show one massive hand entering the panel, but that's up to you.

TERRAX:

No, I will have my victory and...

HULK:

Grrraahrrrr...!

TERRAX:

...no...

Panel 3

Hulk smash Terrax! It should be a classic punch that literally takes Terrax off both feet. Terrax is indestructible, so have fun with this punch, which includes a puff of pulverized stone pieces at the point of impact.

HULK:
Terrax hurt Wasp!

SPX:
::KA-POW!::

HULK:
Now Hulk hurt Terrax!

Panel 4

Terrax is propelled backward into the stone creatures that were behind him. It's important to embed him into the side of the mountain where he will come to rest. When he stands up later, the Red Infinity Gem will be revealed.

SPX:
Whooshh....

KER-ASH!!

Panel 5

Thor and Thanos have stopped fighting temporarily. They look surprised at what just happened.

No dialogue.

Panel 6

Inset circular panel of Thor smiling slightly. His face is dirty and his hair is messed from the fight, but he also knows things have just turned in his direction.

THOR:
We have a Hulk.

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Panel 1

Hulk is now standing above Terrax with both fists raised high. Rock trolls hang from his giant green arms in a futile attempt to stop him.

HULK:

Terrax hurt Hulk's friends.

Hulk...

Panel 2

Hulk brings a punishing two-fist punch down upon Terrax, who is practically helpless at this point. With the smash, the rock trolls are turned into a mist of rubble and dust upon Terrax.

HULK:

SMASH!

SPX:

THOOM!

Panel 3

Terrax is trying to flee from Hulk or at least get into a proper fighting pose, but Hulk's rage is unstoppable. This is true anger and even Thor needs to calm Hulk down. Also, Wasp seems to have recovered and is flying alongside Thor.

IMPORTANT VISUAL: When Terrax gets up, there's a shiny red gem where he opened a crack in the side of a mountain. I suggest that you have this about eye level for Thanos. This isn't the focal point of the panel, but it will be important later.

HULK:

Hulk will crush Terrax for hurting Wasp!

THOR:

Hulk, wait, you'll kill him! And destroy Asgard in the process!

WASP:

And...ungh...I'm okay...I'm woozy, but okay...

Panel 4

Terrax has tried to assemble a stone platform to escape, but it's not enough. Hulk is now beating Terrax with one of the stone trolls, which is basically shattering on impact. Thor is

grabbing Hulk's free hand, but that's still not completely stopping the Hulk. Meanwhile, in the same panel, Wasp is starting to fly a little better and is radioing for help.

HULK:
Hulk angry!

SPX:
CRUNCHH!

THOR:
Unngh, listen to me Hulk!

WASP:
I called for backup. Where are those Asgardian guards?

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Panel 1

Thanos looking at the smoking, dusty rubble where Terrax was smashed into the wall. He sees the red Infinity Gem. Remember, this is a point approximately at Thanos' eye level.

THANOS:

Finally, my Infinity Gem reveals itself.

Panel 2

Close up shot as Thanos's hand reaches for the gem, but is zapped.

THANOS:

The power is mine!

SPX:

Bzzzap!

THANOS:

What...?

WASP:

(off panel)

I don't think so, Thanos!

Panel 3

Wasp flies wildly around Thanos, who seems completely unfazed by her rapid-fire blasts.

WASP:

Can't...

<bzzap>

...let...

<bzzap>

...you...

<bzzap>

...get...

<bzzap>

...that...

<bzzap>

...stone.

<bzzap>

Panel 4

Thanos swats her away with the back of his meaty hand.

THANOS:

You are a pest unworthy of my attention.

SPX:

SWAT.

WASP:

Unghh...!

Panel 5

Wasp goes tumbling into the dirt. Show her costume ripping and her skin getting scraped.

WASP:

Ooof! Ow!

SPX:

Rrrip.

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Panel 1

Thanos again reaching down for his red gem.

THANOS:

The red gem will bring me great power and...

...what is this?

Panel 2

Again, Wasp hovers between Thanos' hand and the gem. This time, she looks angry and determined. Her costume is ripped, she's scraped, and her hair is a wreck.

WASP:

It's me stopping you, what's it look like?

Panel 3

Thanos has leaned in to look more closely at Wasp.

THANOS:

You would put your life between me and that gem....

...armed with nothing more than those tiny blasters?

WASP:

Yes. I'm an Avenger.

THANOS:

You are braver than I believed you to be.

Panel 4

In a final stand, Wasp gets into her best fighting stance.

WASP:

Before you kill me and take the stone, I want to tell you one more thing.

THANOS:

And what is that, tiny warrior?

WASP:

I wanted to remind you that...

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Panel 1

Close up of Wasp smiling.

WASP:

...the Avengers are a team.

Panel 2

Thanos is turning to look behind and he realizes that Hulk and Thor are behind him. Wasp buzzes around him happily.

WASP:

Avengers Assemble.

THANOS:

What...?

Panel 3

Hulk punches Thanos as Thor clobbers him with a massive uppercut from Mjolnir. Wasp is giving him a little zap at the same time.

Example from Deadpool versus the Punisher: (see attachment)

HULK:

Hulk smash!

THOR:

For Asgard!

WASP:

For me!

SPX:

Ka-THOOM!

Panel 4

Thanos staggering to his feet, as Hulk and Thor close in on him. Wasp in the extreme foreground cheers them on.

WASP:

Go get 'im, fellas! Give 'im extra for me.

FANDRAL:

(off panel)

M'lady?

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Panel 1

Fandral ([http://marvel.wikia.com/wiki/Fandral_\(Earth-616\)](http://marvel.wikia.com/wiki/Fandral_(Earth-616))) is now standing close to Wasp, who buzzes close to his face.

FANDRAL:

Sorry for the delay. We got here as soon as we could.

WASP:

Where's Terrax?

GUARD:

Volstagg and Hogun are arresting him.

Panel 2

Volstagg ([http://marvel.wikia.com/wiki/Volstagg_\(Earth-616\)](http://marvel.wikia.com/wiki/Volstagg_(Earth-616))) and Hogun ([http://marvel.wikia.com/wiki/Hogun_\(Earth-616\)](http://marvel.wikia.com/wiki/Hogun_(Earth-616))) in the background. They are trying with mild success to subdue and handcuff Terrax. Other Asgardian guards are showing up as backup.

WASP:

You sure?

FANDRAL:

I may need to lend support.

Panel 3

Wasp strains to release the Infinity Gem embedded in the rock wall.

WASP:

Actually, I could use some support digging this out of the rock.

Panel 4

Fandral's sword releases the gem, which drops into Wasp's open hands.

FANDRAL:

Here, let me.

SPX:

Scrrttch. POP.

WASP:
Whoa, heavier than it looks.

Panel 5

Wasp admires the stone for a moment.

WASP:
This would look great on a necklace.

FANDRAL:
Um, m'lady, I don't think...

WASP:
Okay, okay.

Panel 6

Final overhead shot as we see the last of the carnage and rubble. Wasp and Fandral are in the center with the gem.

WASP:
So...got any good hiding spots?

CAP:
The End.

IMPORTANT:

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