

NURSE CANDY
 (almost singing)
 Medication time!

POWER MAN
 If you would be so kind as to come back later. We are in the middle of a meeting.

NURSE CANDY
 Are you playing your little superhero game again?

(POWER MAN takes offence at this.)

POWER MAN
 This is not a game. We are sworn protectors of....
 (trying to find the word)
 Uhm... uhm...

MIGHTY GIRL
 The Earth.

LIGHTENING LEX
 And the universe at times.

NURSE CANDY
 That's cute. You can go back to pretending after you take your medicine.

(She pulls LIGHTENING LEX away from the table. Hands him his meds. He will pop them surprisingly fast. NURSE CANDY then hands POWER MAN his meds.)

POWER MAN
 (riled up)
 Pretending?! If it wasn't for us, you'd all be dead. We saved the world hundreds of times.

LIGHTENING LEX
 Actually we only saved it twenty-one times.

POWER MAN
 That doesn't sound right. Are you sure?

LIGHTENING LEX
 We saved the world specifically twenty-one times. That doesn't count stopping maniacs from destroying the USA or other counties.

MIGHTY GIRL
 Are you counting the time we stopped The Cold Comforters from covering the world in ice?

NURSE CANDY

That'd really make it nippy outside. Luckily I always keep an ice scraper in my car.

POWER MAN

(riled up)

You'd need more than an ice scraper!

LIGHTENING LEX

Ice Scraper was the leader of The Cold Comforters, right?

POWER MAN

(to LEX)

I don't remember!

(to NURSE CANDY)

If it weren't for us, none of you would have gotten out of the twentieth century!

MIGHTY GIRL

Calm down, Jack.

NURSE CANDY

Yes, you're going to give yourself another heart attack. Gotta take care of that ticker.

LIGHTENING LEX

I fought The Ticker once. He placed time bombs in every major city. They were set to go off at the same time. I ran all over the globe in twenty minutes to deactivate them.

MIGHTY GIRL

I remember that. It was your finest moment.

LIGHTENING LEX

Now I can't even walk to the bathroom in twenty minutes.

NURSE CANDY

(to LEX)

Do you need to pee-pee?

LIGHTENING LEX

No.

NURSE CANDY

If you've got to pee-pee, you need to let me know. Can't have you wetting yourself.

LIGHTENING LEX

I never wet myself in my life!

POWER MAN

(teasing)

Except when you faced Mr. Malevolent alone.

LIGHTENING LEX
(riled up)

I didn't-

NURSE CANDY
It's OK, it happens to the best of us. It'll be our little secret.

POWER MAN
Ours, too.

LIGHTENING LEX
(to POWER MAN)
Just because I'm in this chair doesn't mean I still can't kick your ass.

NURSE CANDY
Why don't we say "bum," Mr. Lex.

POWER MAN
You could never kick my ass.

NURSE CANDY
Bum, Jack.

LIGHTENING LEX
I gave you a whipping back in '62.

MIGHTY GIRL
That was Powder Man. And anybody could whip him. All he did was spray powder in your face.

POWER MAN
But he was great to have at crime scenes, if you needed to dust for prints.

LIGHTENING LEX
(to POWER MAN)
I'll dust the floor with your head. I never needed you and your stupid league. I've flown solo many times in my life.

POWER MAN
We're not talking about your sex life.

NURSE CANDY
Why don't we say "gender," Jack.

LIGHTENING LEX
Why I oughta-

(LEX tries again to get out of his chair, but fails. NURSE CANDY rolls him back to the table, now facing away from the others. He'll spend some time turning himself around.)

NURSE CANDY moves to MIGHTY GIRL to give her her meds, but can't find them.)

NURSE CANDY
That's right, you aren't on any medications. Aren't you lucky?

MIGHTY GIRL
Not really.

NURSE CANDY
Are we going to get a visit from your adorable grandchildren today?

(This strikes a nerve with MIGHTY GIRL. And riles POWER MAN up even more.)

POWER MAN
(to NURSE CANDY)
What's wrong with you? If I weren't a hero, I'd-

MIGHTY GIRL
(to JACK)
It's OK.

(to NURSE CANDY)
I don't have grandchildren.

POWER MAN
How many times does she have to tell you that?

NURSE CANDY
I'm sure your children will make you a grandmother in no time.

MIGHTY GIRL
I don't have children.

POWER MAN
We were too busy keeping you and the rest of humanity safe.

NURSE CANDY
Niece and nephews?

MIGHTY GIRL
Only child.

NURSE CANDY
On your husband's side?

MIGHTY GIRL
Never married.

NURSE CANDY
How about a cat? Ever own one of those?

POWER MAN

Oh yeah, that would have been great. Sorry, humans in danger, I can't come save you right now, I have to go home and feed Fluffy before she claws the sofa.

NURSE CANDY

I'm a dog person myself. My French Poodle, Pedro, does this-

POWER MAN

We'd like to get on with our meeting.

NURSE CANDY

Oh yes, your little game. I have tea parties with my granddaughter all the time.

(catches herself)

Sorry, Leigh. Maybe you should think about getting a goldfish. They're easy to take care of.

(NURSE CANDY exits. MIGHTY GIRL is depressed by her thoughts of being childless. POWER MAN does not notice.)

POWER MAN

Where were we? Was there something-

(He notices MIGHTY GIRLS' sadness.)

LIGHTENING LEX

Nurse Candy's a moron.

POWER MAN

And you know it was best that none of us had kids. Look at the Fantastic Family. Those two kids were kidnapped every other week. One landed in jail, the other became a drug addict.

LIGHTENING LEX

And a porn star.

MIGHTY GIRL

I always thought there'd be time for a family. My invulnerability stopped many villains, but not Father Time.

LIGHTENING LEX

I thought Father Time died in a plane crash.

POWER MAN

Not that Father Time, you idiot, she means old age.

MIGHTY GIRL

I'm in perfect health, but my body keeps aging. Am I going to end up comatose like the others?

POWER MAN

No. You're as healthy as a twenty-year-old.