



## The Villains' Victory (1 of 2)

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The Masters have fallen. In a surprise attack, the Masters were ambushed, Savage was left to burn in the sun for eternity, Ra's al Ghul was captured by Talia but Luthor remains at large. Meanwhile, the League has been busy dealing with the fallout of the breakout in their respective home towns, but the odds are against them and many are in need of support, can help arrive in time?

### Scene 1

LexCorp, Metropolis, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 01:00 EDT

Batman and Superman are at LexCorp offices

Lex Luthor: There's no point in hiring security these days

Superman: It's over Lex, Vandal's down and Ra's is gone, the Masters have fallen

Lex Luthor: Yes. Fortunately there is little evidence tying me to the Masters.

Batman: We'll find something

Lex Luthor: I'm sure you have Miss Gordon searching through phone records, LexCorp financials and everything she can find, the most suspicious thing she'll find is a report to the police about 3 dozen stolen mecha-suits only days after a breakout, I doubt anyone wouldn't believe that under the circumstances.

Superman: If you slip up, even for a second, we'll be back

Lex Luthor: If it makes you feel better, I wasn't that big a fan of our more proactive approach. The Masters were there to incite subtle changes to advance humanity; our attacks could've undone everything. Why do you think I told

Black Manta to stay away when he escaped? (Batman and Superman look at each other) I'm certain Miss Gordon will verify that.

## Scene 2

Themyscira, 05:00 UTC

Wonder Woman, Supergirl, Zatanna and Hawkgirl are training with the Amazons

Hawkgirl: (Knocks down the Amazon she was fighting, and flies to Wonder Woman) thanks for letting us spar here, Diana, reminds me of being back on Thanagar

Wonder Woman: You know she was holding back, right?

Hawkgirl: If that helps her sleep at night. (A shadowy figure appears in front of them)

Wonder Woman: (Angrily) Ares

Ares: Relax; I seek no conflict with you, Diana.

Wonder Woman: That would be a first

Ares: The Amazons will soon be at war and it will not be my doing

Wonder Woman: Either way, you win

Ares: There have been great disturbances in the inter-cosmic planes, conflict may fuel my power but if you lose this battle, it will be the beginning of the end for all conflict.

Hawkgirl: You're lying

Ares: I may be known as a deceiver but my deceptions are to drive people into war, I warn of you of what's coming because forewarned is forearmed and if you lose the conflict that fuels my power will cease permanently (he disappears)

Hawkgirl: Well?

Wonder Woman: Amazons! (They Amazons stop training and turn to face Diana) prepare for battle!

## Scene 3

Poseidonis, Atlantis, 03:11 UTC-2

Martian Manhunter is doing a telepathic sweep of the city

Aquaman: Well?

<J'onn>: (Telepathically) no-one in the city knows about your missing trident

Aquaman: Then it is as I feared; they were taken during the breakout, and the escapees all left Atlantis. Pity John had to leave

<J'onn>: He got an urgent message on his ring, something essential to his corps

Aquaman: It seems everyone is on the brink of war since the breakout. (The Manta-sub arrives and opens fire upon the district) it begins. (He swims to his troops) Atlantis is under siege and we must defend it (the troops swim out and fire their weapons at the sub but it does minimal damage,

an army of octopuses begin to attack the city.) Ocean Master (he swims to the Octopuses and tries to control them, but is blasted back by a trident blast, Ocean Master and Namor are free and both now carry tridents, they both swim up to him and punch him in the face)

#### Scene 4

Star City, 04:15 CDT

Star City airfield

Green Arrow and Black Canary meet up

Green Arrow: Hey pretty bird, surprised you're not with the rest of the girls on 'Paradise Island'

Black Canary: Paradise is overrated; besides, I thought you wanted my help on a case

Green Arrow: Nope, I'm only here because I got a call from Batman (Red Tornado arrives on the scene, he observes)

Red Tornado: John Stuart told me to meet at these co-ordinates. (Plastic Man reveals himself)

Plastic Man: I got a call from the Flash

Black Canary: We've been set up (They are encased in a yellow bubble, created by the Scarecrow, still wearing his Sinestro corps ring, outside the bubble are Prometheus, Merlyn and the Terror Twins)

Scarecrow: Give them hell (he creates an opening in the bubble and the supervillains run through)

#### Scene 5

Suicide Slum, Metropolis, 05:25 EDT

Batman: You sure?

Oracle: (On coms) positive, Luthor, for once is telling the truth, I've got the phone records from his office. He did talk to Black Manta and advise him against hooking back up with the Masters. Wait, that's weird

Batman: What?

Oracle: Someone's been hacking your communications, they sent out a few fake messages telling Black Canary, Green Arrow, Red Tornado and Plastic Man to meet on an airfield in Star City

Superman: Right into an ambush, we need to get there now (Clayface jumps onto Superman's back, Batman tries to help but Superman stops him, before spinning and super-speed and sending the Parasite flying, Superman stumbles, Batman goes to help but Superman stops him) there could be others (Batman activates his detective vision but is soon hit backwards with a hammer, the Abramovici Twins are on the scene)

Oracle: Are you alright Bruce

Batman: I'll live

Oracle: I'll see to getting you some reinforcements (Mr Hammer and Sickle attack Superman but he shrugs off their attacks without harm, Batman's detective mode begins to flicker back online and Batman sees silhouettes of Grodd, Killer Frost, Weather Wizard, The Leader, Abombination and the Wrecking Crew)

Batman: Good idea, with what we're up against we'll need all the help we can get (a storm cloud begins to form in the skies)

### Scene 6

LexCorp, 05:20 EDT

Lex Luthor sits in his office, he picks up the phone

Lex Luthor: Mercy, get the copter ready, we're gonna need to leave Metropolis by sunrise

Mercy: (On phone) of course, Boss (Luthor hangs up)

Lex Luthor: You may as well step into the light, I can always tell when someone's sneaking up on me, especially when it's a former member of the League of Assassins (Cheshire steps into the light) I suppose Talia has sent you to kill me?

Cheshire: Yes (she throws her sais at Lex Luthor but Luthor ducks and avoids both of them, Cheshire throws knock at gas at Luthor, Luthor grabs a gas mask from under his desk and has it on before the gas is emitted) you really don't see it yet, the time of the Masters is over. (She jumps and kicks Luthor backwards, Luthor gets up and brushes himself off)

Lex Luthor: Perhaps, but you made a grave error coming here, Jade, or have you forgotten about your daughter. (Cheshire stops in her tracks)

Cheshire: How did you?

Lex Luthor: There's nothing I don't know about your little fling with Red Arrow 2 years ago. Even without the help of the Masters, I could have her killed at the drop of a hat. For all you know, there could be someone watching her right now, with the order to kill her if anything happens to me. Roy doesn't even know about the child, does he?

Cheshire: You wouldn't

Lex Luthor: You've worked for me long enough to know that I would.

### Scene 7

Themyscira, 05:30 UTC

The Amazon army is prepared for battle

Supergirl: Are you sure about this?

Wonder Woman: No, but if Ares was telling the truth for the first time in his life, we're ready for it (AIM soldiers begin teleporting onto the island, Man-bats begin to swarm the skies and Talia teleports in front of Wonder Woman)

Talia: Well, what are you waiting for? Give the order

Wonder Woman: Amazons, attack! (The Amazons attack the AIM soldiers on the ground, Zatanna rushes to their aid, Supergirl and Hawkgirl fly and begin taking on the man-bats) Talia, I know you are a woman of great conviction, I know your father didn't see you worthy of his legacy, and I know you feel as if Bruce scorned you. But what will all this accomplish? I am giving you one chance to end this without any further bloodshed

Talia: But then I wouldn't be able to show off my secret weapon (a Goblin soldier grabs Wonder Woman from behind and slams her against the ground, Supergirl notices and flies to help but she is pushed back by Power Girl)

Power Girl: You're not going anywhere (she fires heat vision at Supergirl, Supergirl counters with her own)

### Scene 8

Suicide Slums, Metropolis, 01:25 EDT

Superman and Batman are trapped in an ice dome created by Killer Frost, the ice begins to vibrate and shatter as Barry Allen and Wally West have arrived

Barry Allen: Guess the cavalry's arrived (Lightning almost strikes them as willed by the Weather Wizard but it is countered by a Black Lightning strike)

Leader: Yes but you're still badly outnumbered (he, the wrecking crew and abomination all begin to crack their knuckles, Grodd jumps down, watching the Weather Wizard, Clayface, Abramovici Twins and Killer Frost) and you cannot win this fight

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