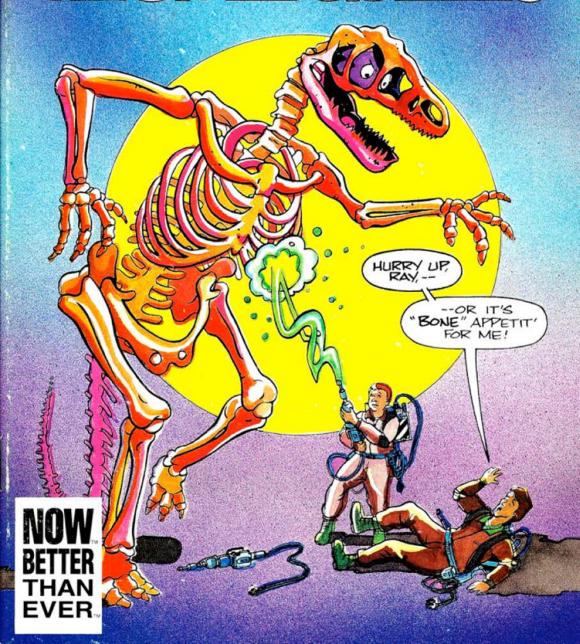


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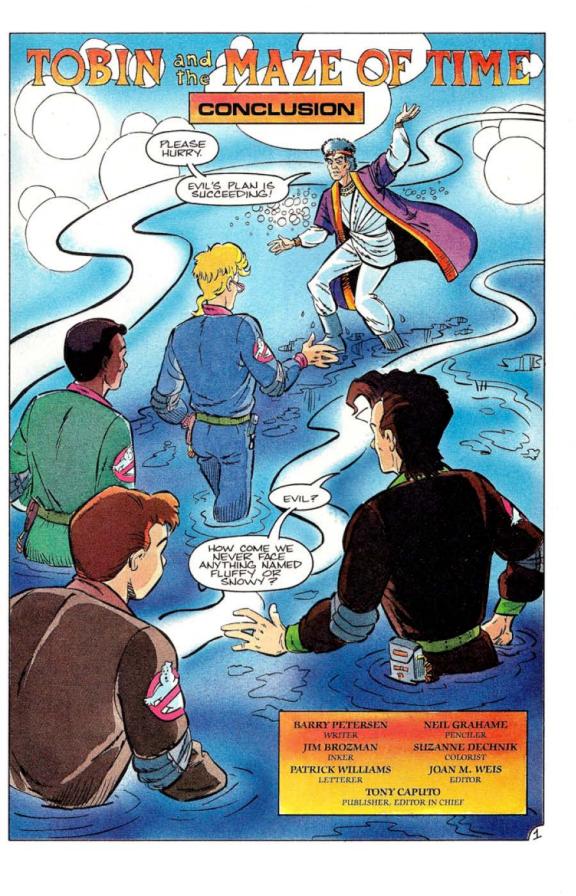




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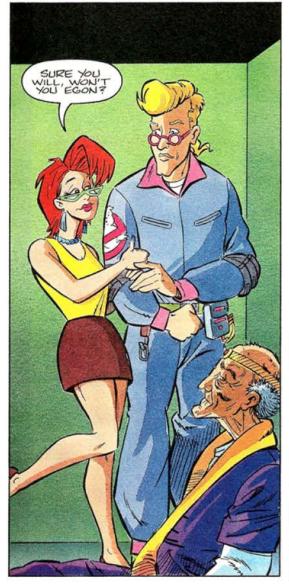
























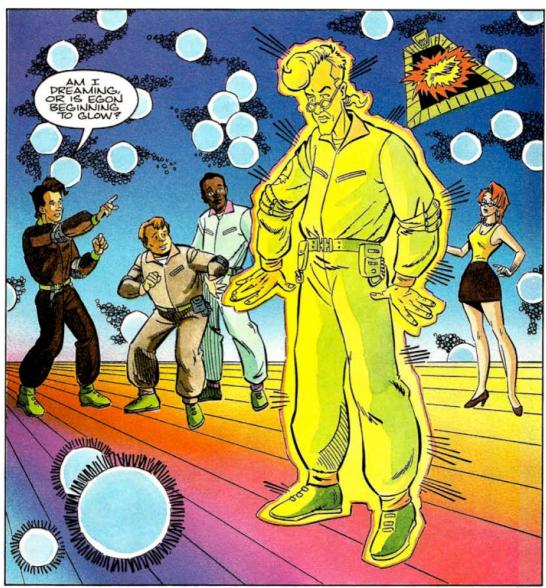
























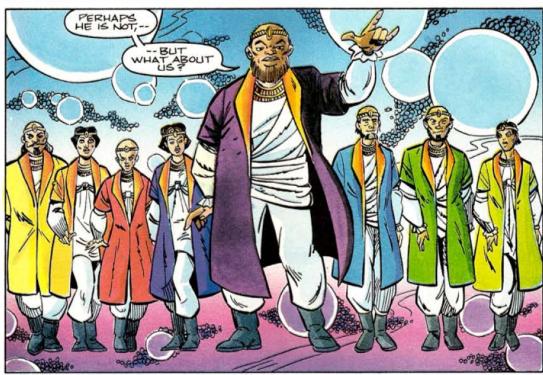
























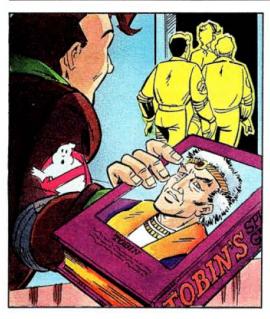




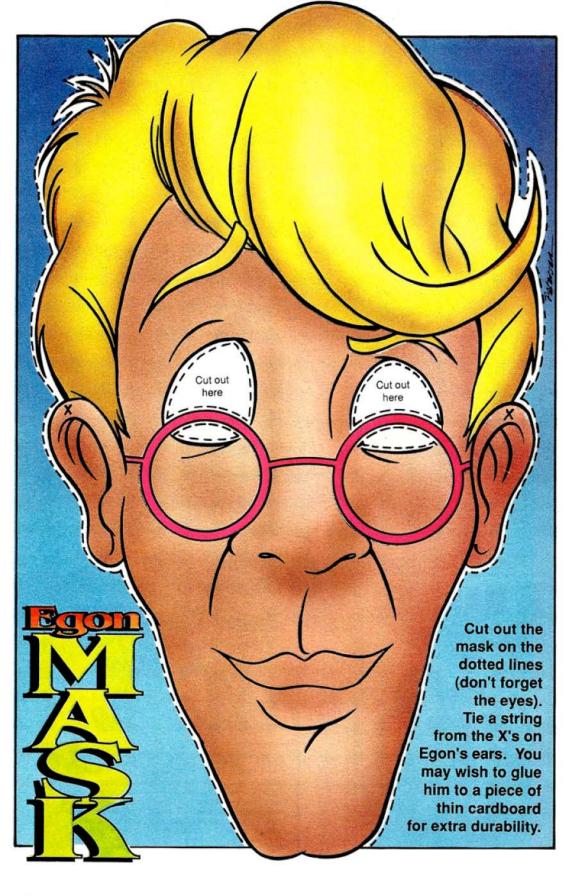












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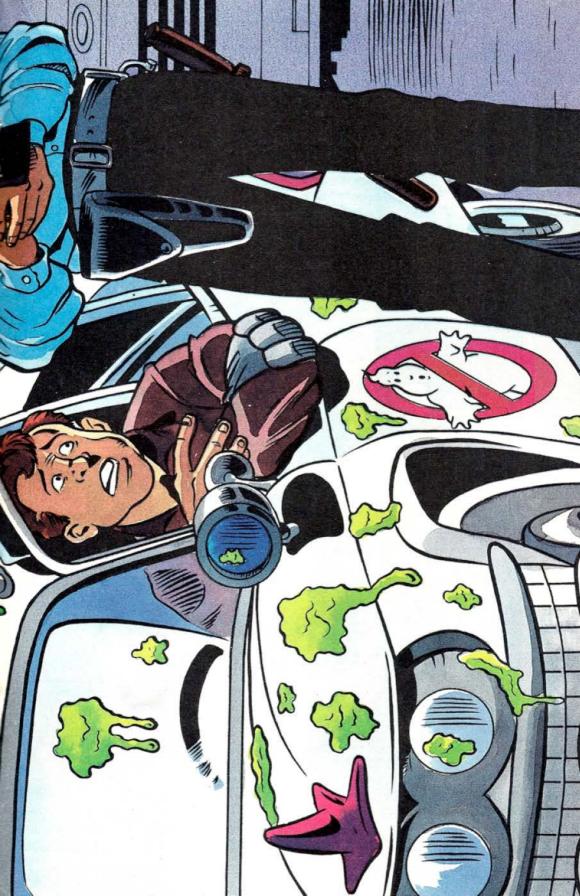
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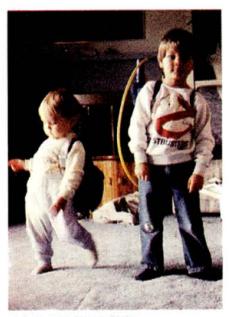




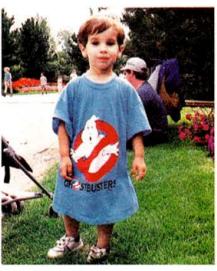
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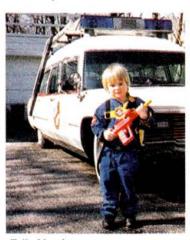
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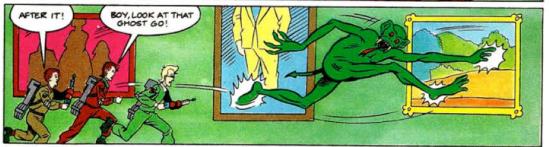




















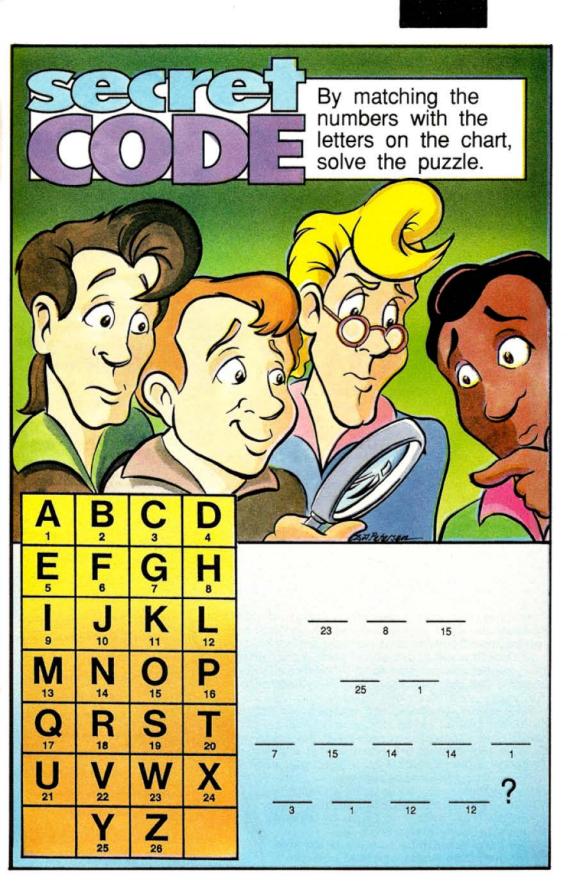














Shedding Light on Dark Problems

f your child is a toddler, chances are good that his or her fear of the dark is something you've been dealing with—or may have to. It's pretty common for children to experience this fear by the age of 2 or 3 years. Some children go through it around age 5 or 6.

Watching scary movies or simply crying and not wanting to go to bed can make a child feel nervous or scared in the dark. So, what's a parent to do? Try these ideas on for size: First of all, reassure your child that there's nothing to be afraid of. But don't dismiss your child's fears or make fun of them. You might also

install a dimmer switch in the bedroom and, over a period of time, gradually set the light to be dimmer and dimmer at bedtime.

These games can also help your little one get adjusted to the dark:

- Follow the Leader: Lead your child in and out of darkened rooms in your home. Have fun: talk or sing together. Provide enough light to avoid walking into things.
- Explain-arama: Sit with your child in the dark. Listen for noises, and watch for shadows. Explain anything you and your child see or hear; turn on the lights to find the source.

Creative Safety

Arts and crafts time is fun for kids and grown-ups alike. So don't spoil the creative process with unsafe materials or carelessness. These pointers can help head off hazards:

Stick with white glue or school paste. Epoxy, airplane glue, rubber cement, and spray adhesives all contain solvents that are toxic. They should be used only by adults.

Watercolors, tempera, and school-grade acrylic paints are best for use by kids. Adults should supervise the use of tempera and school acrylics, however, because they contain preservatives that are toxic. Professional acrylic paints have metal pigments; they should not be used by children.

Do not allow eating while using art materials. When arts and crafts time is over, thoroughly clean the work area, and finish by washing hands with soap and water.

Store any potentially hazardous art supplies, including scissors, out of children's reach.

Bicycles Equipped for Two

Bicycle riding is great fun and great exercise.

Today's parents are making it a family affair by strapping their toddlers into child carriers that mount onto the back of their cycles or by seating their kids in trailers that hitch onto the lower rear frame.

Since even cycling solo can be risky, it's best to remember that carrying or towing a passenger poses the same risks. Following these safety tips will help minimize your risks.

- Remember to wear a helmet and to always put one on your child. Even children riding in trailers need a helmet.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions to the letter when installing a carrier or trailer.
- Make sure children keep their hands away from the bicycle's and the trailer's wheels.
- Strap the children in properly.

Putting Bullies Out of Business

id you know that up to five million children are builted by other kids every day? And did you know that most parents of the bullies and the victims don't even know that this is happening?

Bullying is serious, according to Harvard researchers. Bullies are likely to take their aggressive behavior into adulthood, and victims often become used to being afraid.

Parents can do a lot to help: Always be on the lookout for unexplained torn clothing, anxiety, stomachaches, bruises, and lower grades. Any bullying incidents should be reported to school officials immediately. Parents and the school need to join forces in dealing with the situation.

And here's some advice for kids to help them deal with bullies. Tell the bully to cut it out. Use strong language if you have to. Then leave. Don't fight. Facing down attackers is the

way to go.

Head-to-Toe Safety

Whether you call it rollerblading or in-line skating, there are four things you need to do before your kids head for adventure:

· Make sure they wear approved safety helmets.

· Check to make sure they are also wearing knee and elbow pads.

· Check to see that the skates fit their feet properly and are strapped or laced correctly.

· Remind them to skate only on safe, smooth surfaces, away from traffic areas.

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spoonful of sugar is what one song recommends to make the medicine go down. What really works is to lightly coat a tablet with vegetable oil or margarine. This will make it easier for your child to swallow. The oily coating makes a pill slide right down and helps prevent a medicinal aftertaste.



Ghost Writer: Carol Spielman Lezak

Ghost Artist: James Bradshaw

Why do children decide to get wigglier than usual when you need to give them eye drops? And then, how do you prevent them from blinking too much? The simple solution: Just have your children keep their eyes shut for at least three minutes after putting the drops in. Getting them to be less squiggly is up to you!

It's great that you want to serve your children clean fruits and veggies, but you may be going overboard. Washing these foods in dishwashing detergent—even very watered-down detergent—is simply not a good idea, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture researchers. It's very difficult to wash off all remains of detergent from certain foods, such as peaches or broccoli. So come clean with plain water and a bit of scrubbing with a soft brush.

Well, I can see by the old clock that it's time for me to quit talking, and start walking. Hope your new year is off to a great start. Mine will be, if I can ever pin down that Slimer!

Your health-conscious Ghostbuster,

Egon Spengler

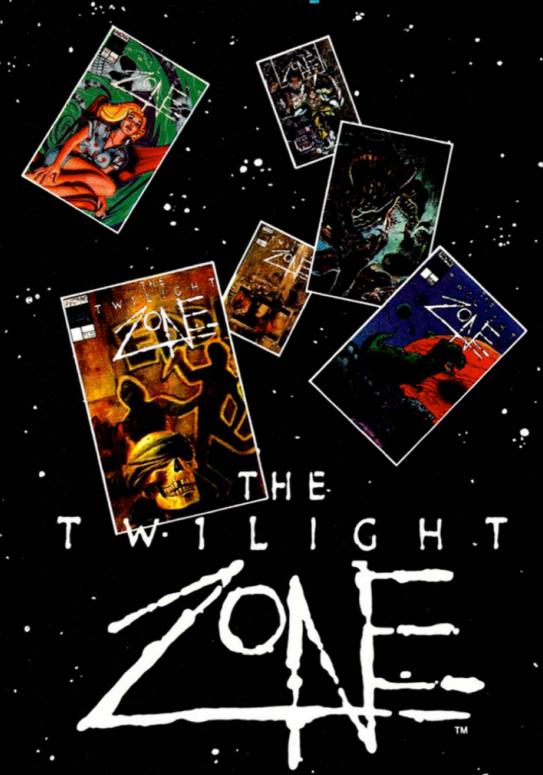
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PKE READINGS c/o NOW Comics 60 Revere Dr., Suite 200 Northbrook, IL 60062

Dear NOW:

I'm a mega fan of THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS. I collect almost anything that has to do with Ghostbusters that I can get my hands on. Egon is my favorite Ghostbuster. I have both movies, nintendo games, and about 15 tapes containing cartoon episodes.

I enjoy the comic very much. I just finished reading #2. I was wondering if you could have a Draw the Real Ghostbusters Contest along with the Draw Slimer! Contest, because I can draw the Ghostbusters very well. I guess that's about all I have to say.

One of your #1 fans, Nicole Hill Knoxville, TN P.S. I know this sounds silly, but I've always wondered what the Ghostbusters' middle names were.

Dear Nicole:

I'm afraid I can't help you with the middle names. I don't think anyone knows (but their moms!).

Thanks for the suggestion about the Draw the Real Ghostbusters Contest. For now, the comic is pretty well filled to capacity, but maybe we'll give it a try in the future!



Dear Joan:

Thus far, you seem to be doing a good job of retaining the original story and artwork quality. What happened to James Van Hise, though? Oh well. The new people are doing as good a job as he did. Slimer's still hungry, Peter's still wisecracking, and Egon still needs to hire a translator so we can figure out what he's saying.

Speaking of Egon, is he going to become more open about his feelings for Janine, or is he going to be as insecure, shy, and aggravating as he was before? If Janine gets really desperate, maybe she should date another quy for a while.

Once again, thanks for bringing the guys (and Janine) back. Till Slimer stops eating,

Alyce Dixon Baraboo, WI

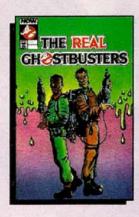
Dear Alyce:

We needed James Van Hise's knowledge of the Green Hornet storyline on TALES OF THE GREEN HORNET, so we asked him to write for that series instead. Barry Petersen, though, is quite knowledgeable about THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS, and he comes

up with some very interesting storylines. We think both men are in positions to utilize their skill and knowledge well.

As for Egon, who can say? He's always been shy about his feelings. Perhaps he needs some more time to get past that. You don't really want Janine to date someone else, do you?

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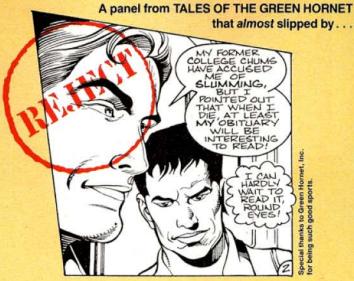
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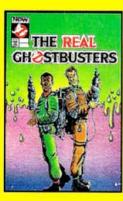
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