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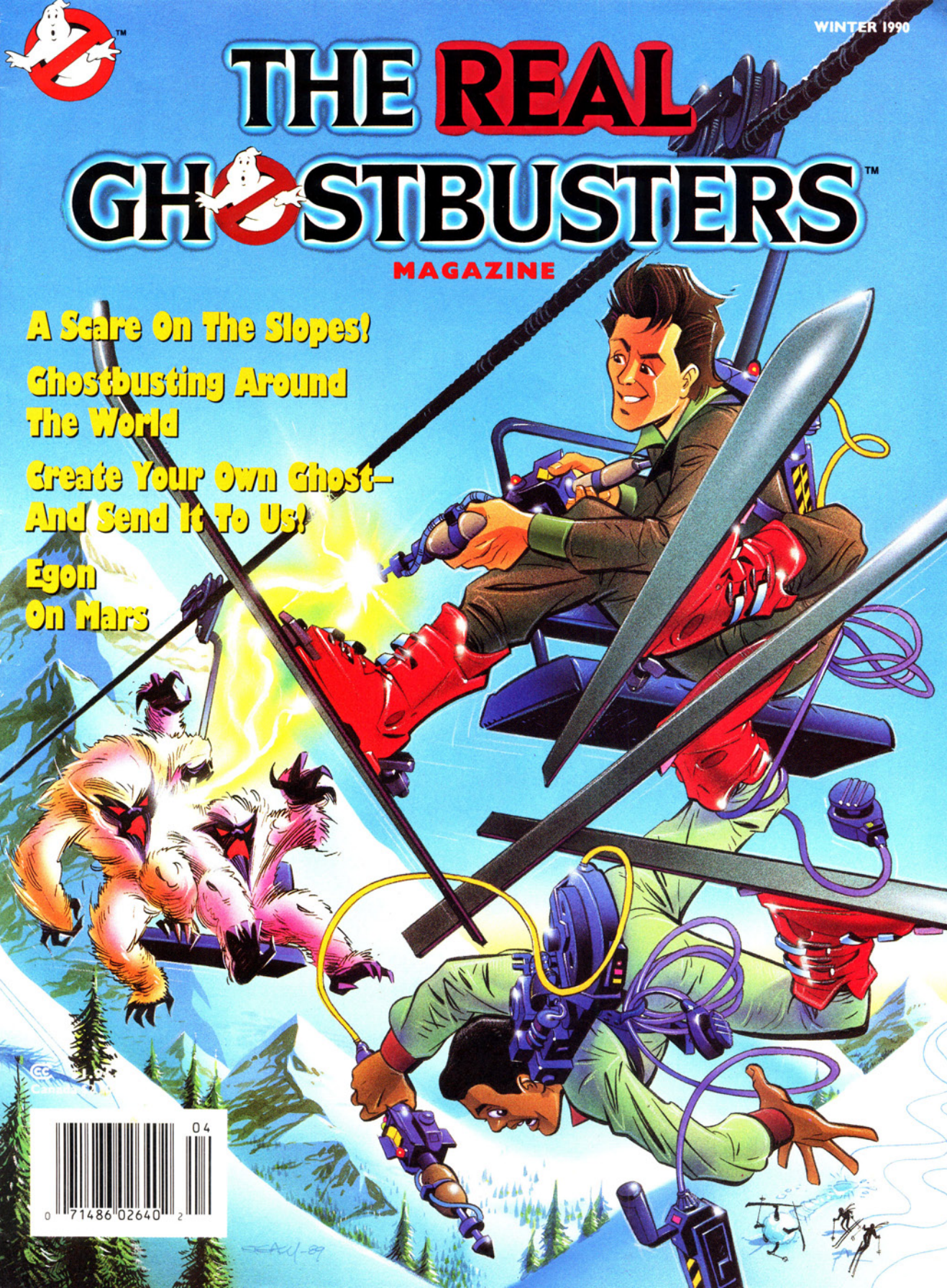
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GHOSTLY GREETINGS

Hi, gang! Egon and Slimer here, we'll be with you just as soon as I finish tinkering with my new invention, the thermomagnetic slime-o-vac. Our new issue of *The Real Ghostbusters Magazine* is... *Schwoomp!* Uh, oh. Slimer? Yikes! I think our pal was just sucked up by the thermomagnetic slime-o-vac!

Well, he'll be okay in there for a while. In the meantime why don't you read all of the interesting printed matter in this issue while I attempt to re-slime Slimer. We've included funny photos from a few of our ghostbusting trips around the world, and we've revealed some of the secrets behind the fantastic special effects you saw in *Ghostbusters II*. There are more terribly tricky puzzles, and Peter has another batch of gags that will make you giggle. On top of all that, the results from last summer's Sweepstakes/Survey are in—now you can find out what kids from around the country think about nearly anything!

Thwomp! What? Oh, Slimer's back. He just popped out of the slime-o-vac. I guess the machine couldn't hold that much slime!

Now that you know he's okay, you can jump right into the magazine. And, by the way, have a great new year!



*Your Friend,
Egon Spengler*



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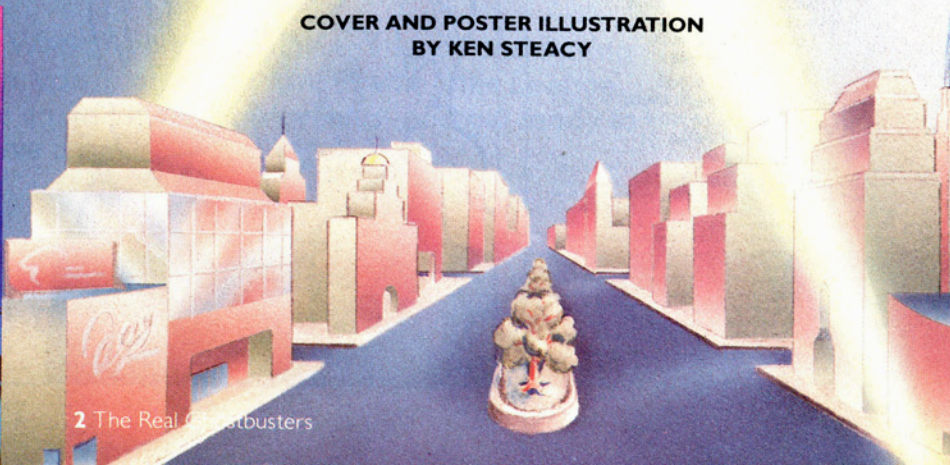
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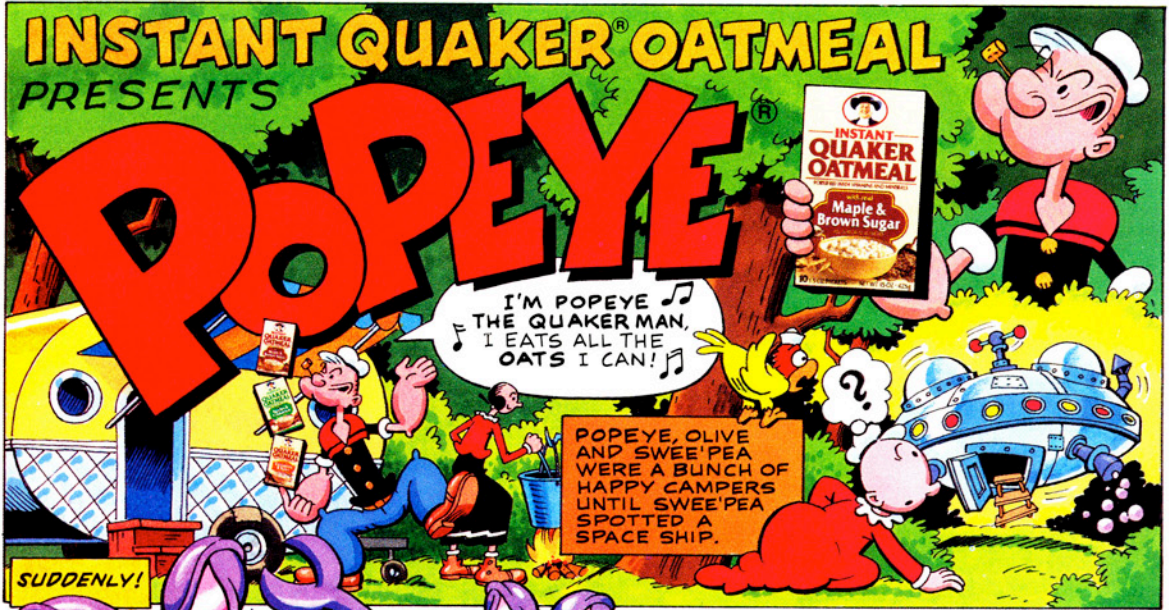
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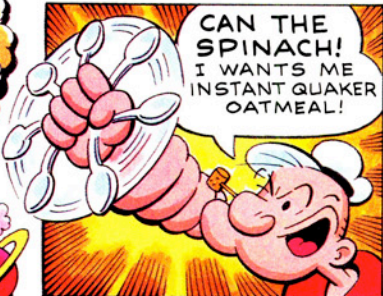
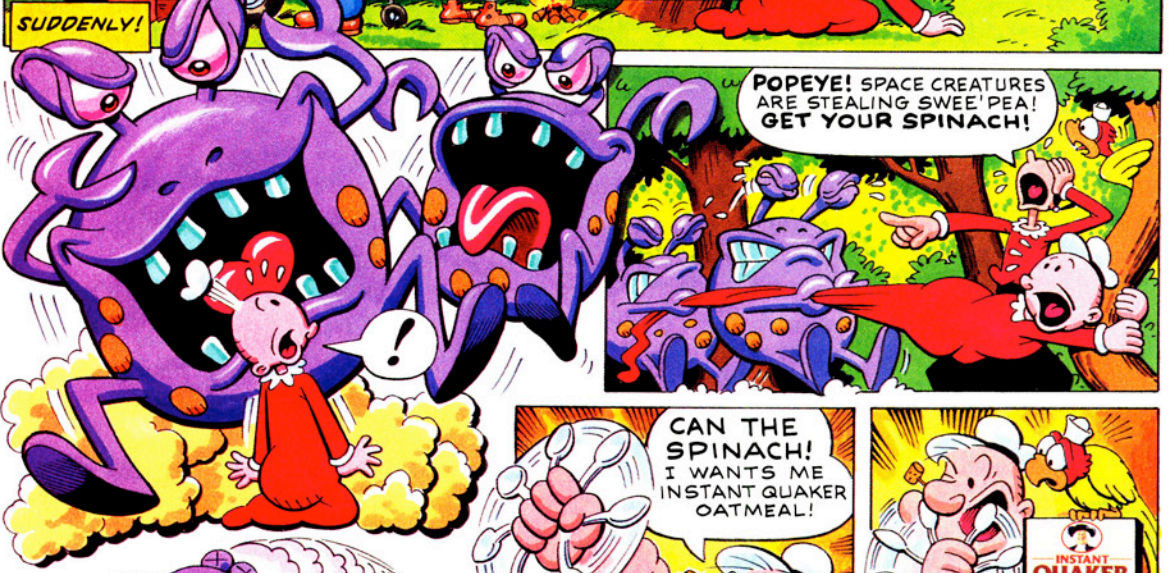


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...The Real Ghostbusters



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Wesley Haskins
South Hills, Virginia

Dear Real Ghostbusters,
Your magazine is radder than rad. My favorite Real Ghostbuster is Dr. Peter Venkman. Slimer, that little spud, is stupendous. I'm addicted to you guys.
Scott Franklin
Dunkirk, New York

Dear Real Ghostbusters,
I liked the whole magazine. I especially liked seeing Peter Venkman and Ecto-1. I like them better than anyone, even Mike Tyson.
Matthew Brandon Taylor
Powder Springs, Georgia

Dear Real Ghostbusters,
I think there might be a ghost in my house. I want to be a ghostbuster so I can fight away the ghost. I really like **Real Ghostbusters Magazine** because it tells me how to be a ghostbuster, and I AIN'T AFRAID OF NO GHOST!
Russ Woods
Newburgh, Indiana

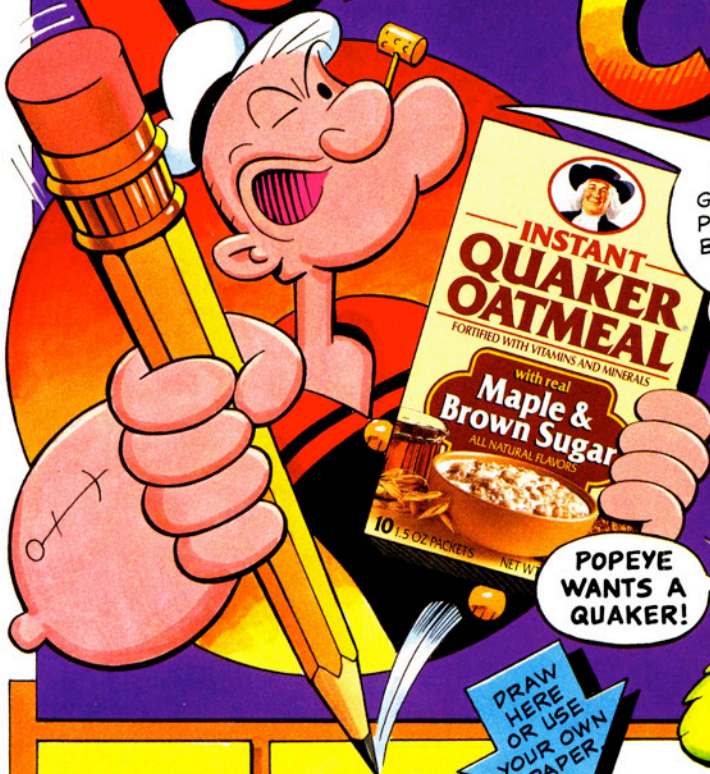
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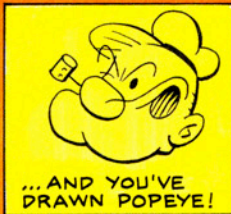
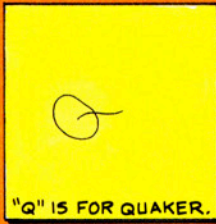


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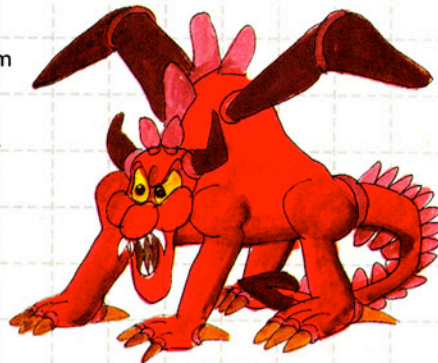
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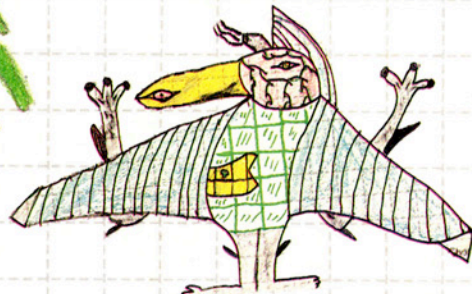
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There are local chapters in most cities, and as a member you can receive special information on aerospace communications, exploration, and aerospace and the environment. Young astronauts also

get to visit space installations and enter national contests. The contests are designed to help entrants plan for the future (when they might be living on a space station orbiting the moon). Some past contests include drafting a Space Bill of Rights and designing a Space Olympiad.

To join the Council, write: The Young Astronaut Council, 1211 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Toy Time

If you've had a tough time nabbing some of the ectoplasmic disturbances around your house lately, maybe your Real Ghostbusters toys need a lift—literally! There are a couple of awesome new toy Ghostbuster vehicles to keep in mind when you make up your wish list for the holiday season. Peter,

Egon, and the rest of the guys will be better than ever when they chase after ghouls in one of their new toy cars; the racer Ecto-500 or the Ecto-3 all-terrain vehicle. Now there's no way any ghost will be able to get away.

Movie News

Fasten your seatbelts! When you go to the movies this winter, you'll be off on one fantastic trip after another.

The Wizard is the story of a 13-year-old's cross-country trek. Fred Savage, star of TV's "The Wonder Years," plays a boy who rambles and weaves his way across the country. And get this: his trip ends at the world's biggest video game championship!

Marty McFly is also going to take a wild trip this winter. In fact he's going to travel through time . . .



Ecto-500 and Ecto-3 are two of the newest Real Ghostbuster action vehicles.

BUSTERS

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Nine-year-old Jessica Riggs cares for an injured reindeer.

again! In **Back to the Future II**, Michael J. Fox returns as McFly, and Christopher Lloyd plays the mad scientist Dr. Emmet Brown again.

(One interesting note: you won't have to wait too long for **Back to the Future III**. It was filmed at the same time they filmed this movie!)

Speaking of travelling, Santa Claus and his reindeer take quite a trip every year. **Prancer** is the story of a reindeer and Jessica Riggs, a nine-year-old girl. Jessica, played by newcomer, Rebecca Harrell, finds a wounded reindeer that she believes is Prancer, one of Santa's team. The movie is a heartwarming tale about her struggles to return the reindeer to health before Christmas Eve.

Book Business

If you didn't know that a baby humpback whale is 12 feet long

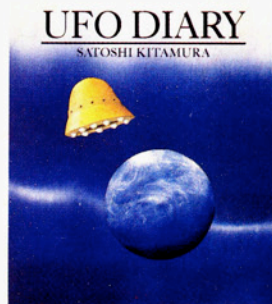
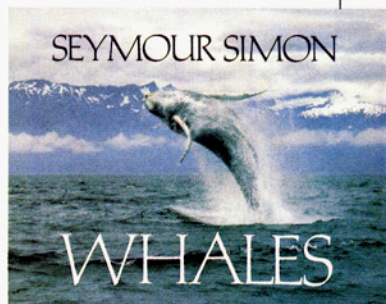
when it's born, or that some whales can hold their breath for more than an hour, then you ought to pick up **Whales** by Seymour Simon (Harper and Row). Not only is **Whales** filled with wild whale facts, but it's loaded with amazing photographs, from the beautiful but dangerous killer whale to the blue whale—the biggest being that has ever lived on earth! You're sure to have a whale of a good time.

Getting lost is never very much fun. But in Satoshi Kitamura's **UFO Diary** (Farrar, Straus, Giroux), when a young alien boy loses his way as he travels through space, he ends up having the best time ever! The lost alien winds up on earth where he meets a little earth boy. At first the two boys are scared of each other, but they quickly become friends. The two new friends have the best day they've ever had when they explore the earth in the alien ship.

Umberto Eco has written an incredibly fabulous book called **The Three Astronauts** (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich). Eco imagines what it would be like if astronauts from three different countries—the United States, the Soviet Union, and China—landed on Mars at the same time.

You can learn about all the different creatures who crawl, slither, slide, and swim in small lakes and marshes by reading **At the Frog Pond** by Tilde Michels (J.B. Lippincott) and **Ducks Don't Get Wet** by Augusta Goldin (Thomas Crowell).

Looking at Ants by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent (Holiday House) will tell you everything there is to know about those amazing mites.



Slimer's Refrigerator Raid

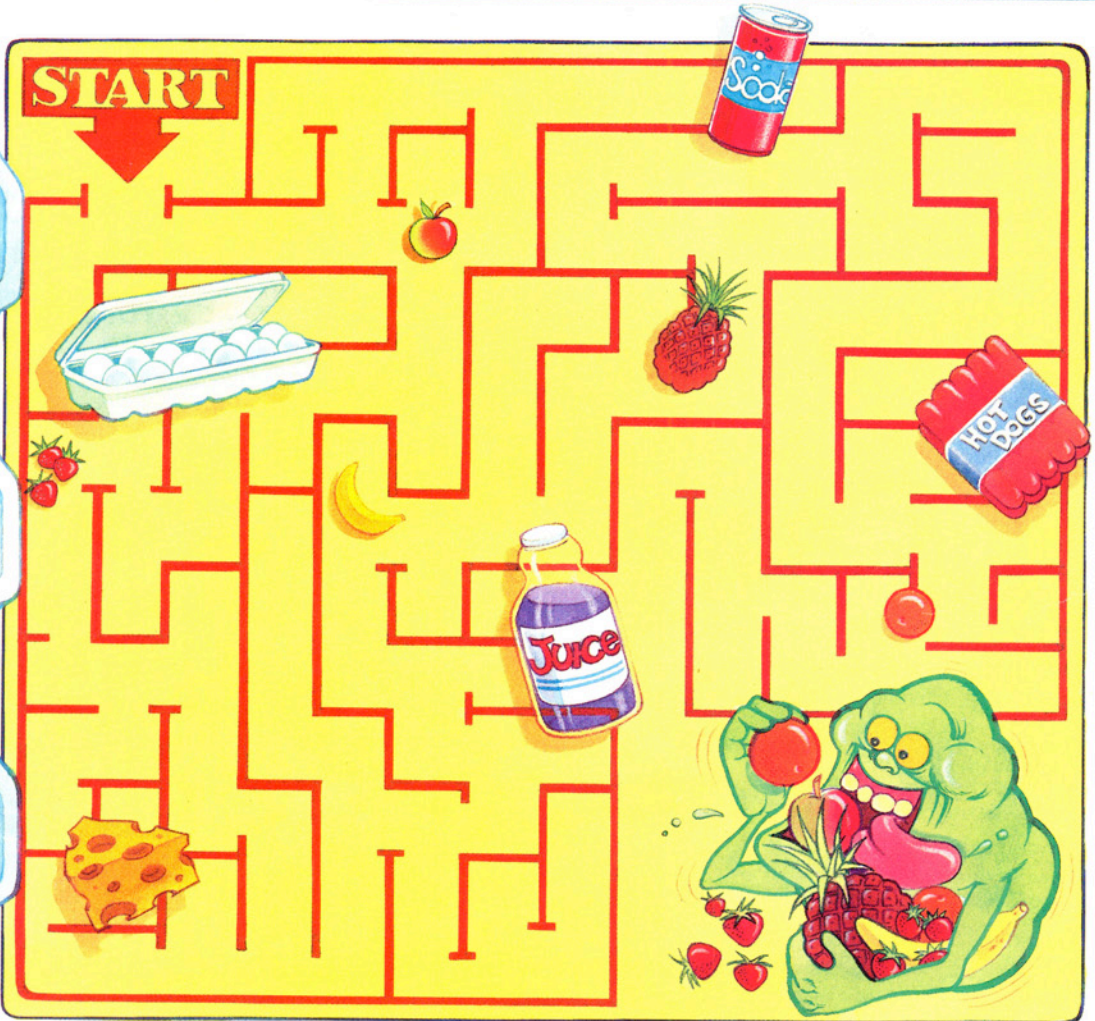


Fruit is Slimer's all-time favorite food! Janine loves fruit, too. Whenever she gets any fruit she has to hide it deep in The Real Ghostbuster's refrigerator, or else he'll eat it. But Slimer is hungry!

Help him sneak into the refrigerator and pick up all five pieces of fruit without crossing or retracing any part of his path. Then show him the way out before Janine catches him. But don't take any other kinds of food—it all belongs to Ray.



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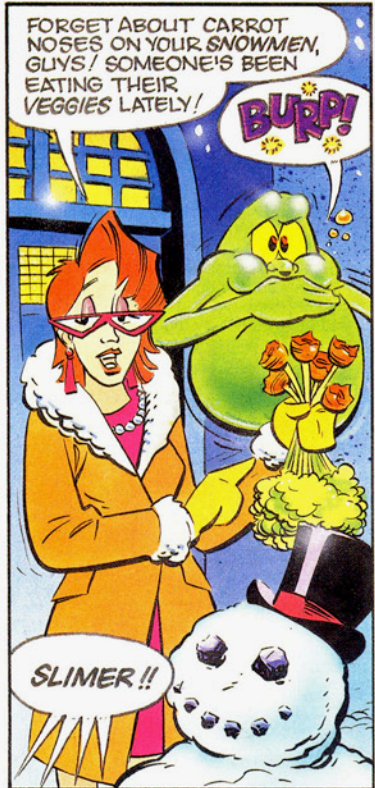


WHERE'D YOU GUYS LEARN TO BUILD SNOWMEN... MIAMI BEACH?!

LAUGH WHILE YOU CAN, PETER!
JANINE IS GOING TO JUDGE MY SNOWMAN THE LARGEST!

NO WAY EGON! MINE'S TWICE AS BIG AS YOURS!

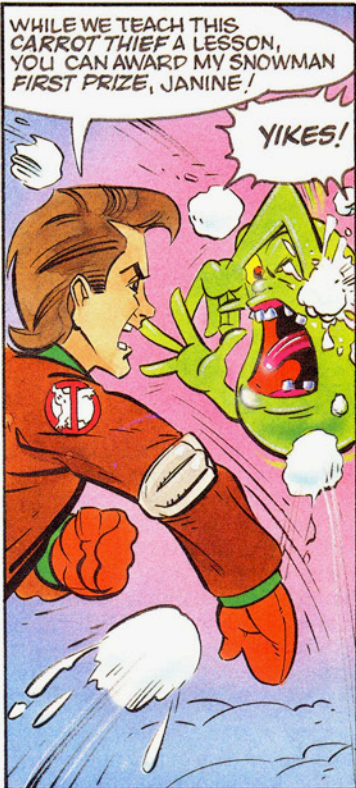
HA! YOUR PITIFUL SNOWMEN DON'T STAND A SNOWBALL'S CHANCE ON THE SUN AGAINST MY MAIN MAN HERE!



FORGET ABOUT CARROT NOSES ON YOUR SNOWMEN, GUYS! SOMEONE'S BEEN EATING THEIR VEGGIES LATELY!

BURP!

SLIMER!!



WHILE WE TEACH THIS CARROT THIEF A LESSON, YOU CAN AWARD MY SNOWMAN FIRST PRIZE, JANINE!

YIKES!

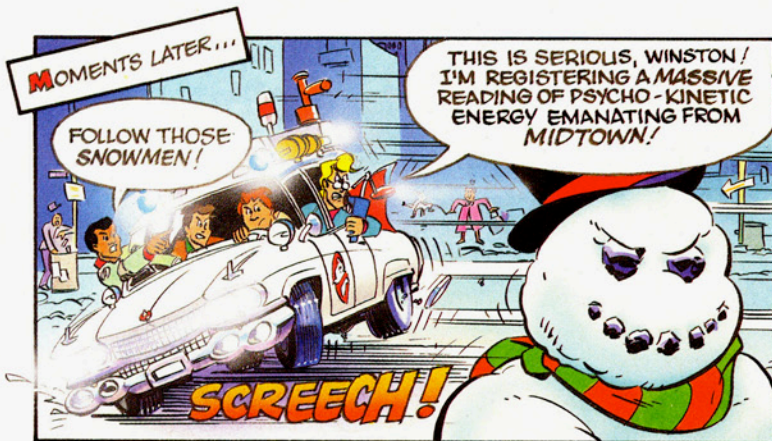


FOR WHAT, PETER? SIZE... OR SPEED?!

SPEED?! WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!

HOLY COW!

OUR SNOWMEN ARE WALKING AWAY ALL BY THEMSELVES!



MOMENTS LATER...

FOLLOW THOSE SNOWMEN!

THIS IS SERIOUS, WINSTON!
I'M REGISTERING A MASSIVE
READING OF PSYCHO-KINETIC
ENERGY EMANATING FROM
MIDTOWN!

SCREECH!



LOOK! THAT'S WHERE
THEY'RE ALL
HEADED!

YOU'D BETTER STEP ON IT!
WHATEVER'S WAITING FOR
US THERE IS STRONG
ENOUGH TO ANIMATE
AN ARMY OF
SNOWMEN!

BRRRR!



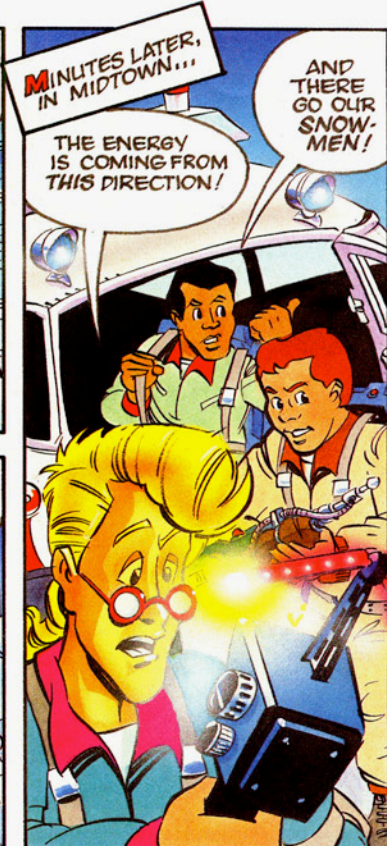
THEY'VE BLENDED
INTO THAT HUGE
SNOWBANK,
ALONG WITH ALL
OF THE OTHER
SNOWMEN!

WAS IT...
SOMETHING
WE
SAID?!

UHHH...
I HATE TO BE
THE BEARER OF
BAD TIDINGS,
GUYS, BUT...



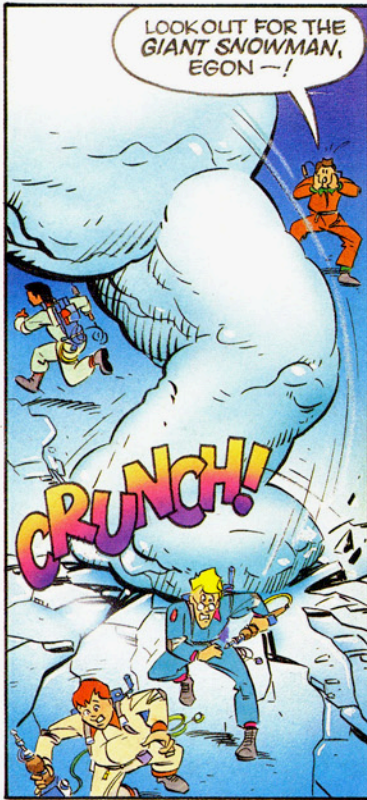
... THAT AIN'T NO
SNOWBANK!



MINUTES LATER,
IN MIDTOWN...

THE ENERGY
IS COMING FROM
THIS DIRECTION!

AND
THERE
GO OUR
SNOW-
MEN!



LOOK OUT FOR THE GIANT SNOWMAN, EGON --!

CRUNCH!



THANKS, PETER, BUT HE'S KIND OF HARD TO MISS! WHICH IS WHAT WE'RE COUNTING ON, RIGHT, MEN?!

ZZAP!

ZZZAP!

ZZAP!

ZZAP!

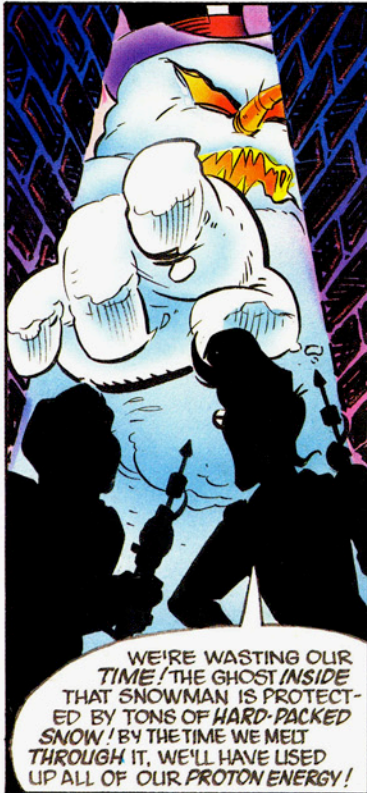
LET'S MAKE ICEWATER!!



WATCH OUT, RAY!

SCRUNCH!

INTO THE ALLEY, QUICK!



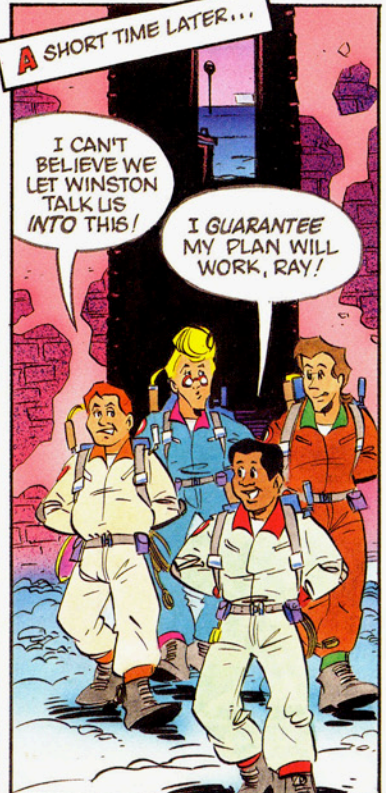
WE'RE WASTING OUR TIME! THE GHOST INSIDE THAT SNOWMAN IS PROTECTED BY TONS OF HARD-PACKED SNOW! BY THE TIME WE MELT THROUGH IT, WE'LL HAVE USED UP ALL OF OUR PROTON ENERGY!



LISTEN! THE GHOSTLY GUIDE SAYS THAT THIS KIND OF SPIRIT IS KNOWN AS A DEVILKIN... OR LITTLE DEVIL!

WOW! THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!

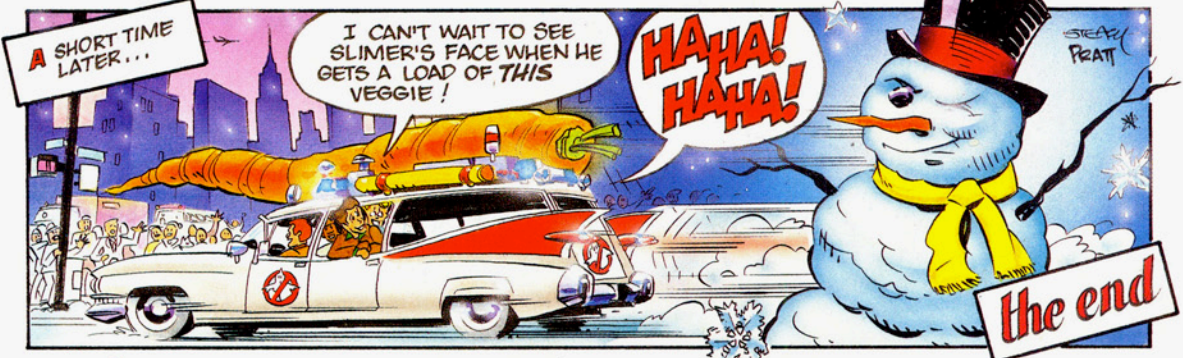
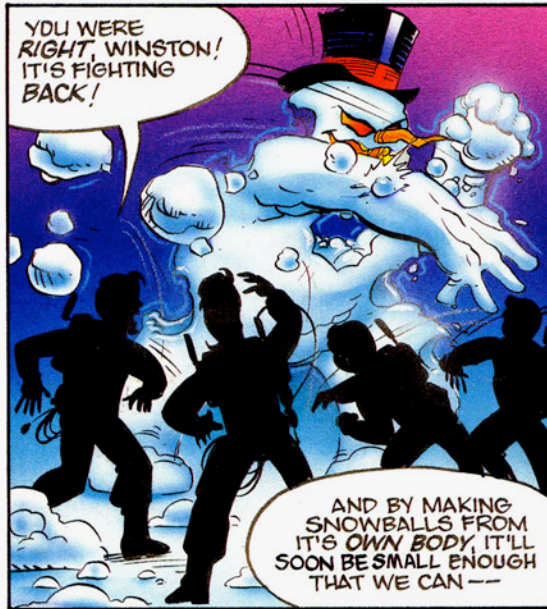
IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE VERY CLEVER AND PLAYFUL... LIKE A CHILD!



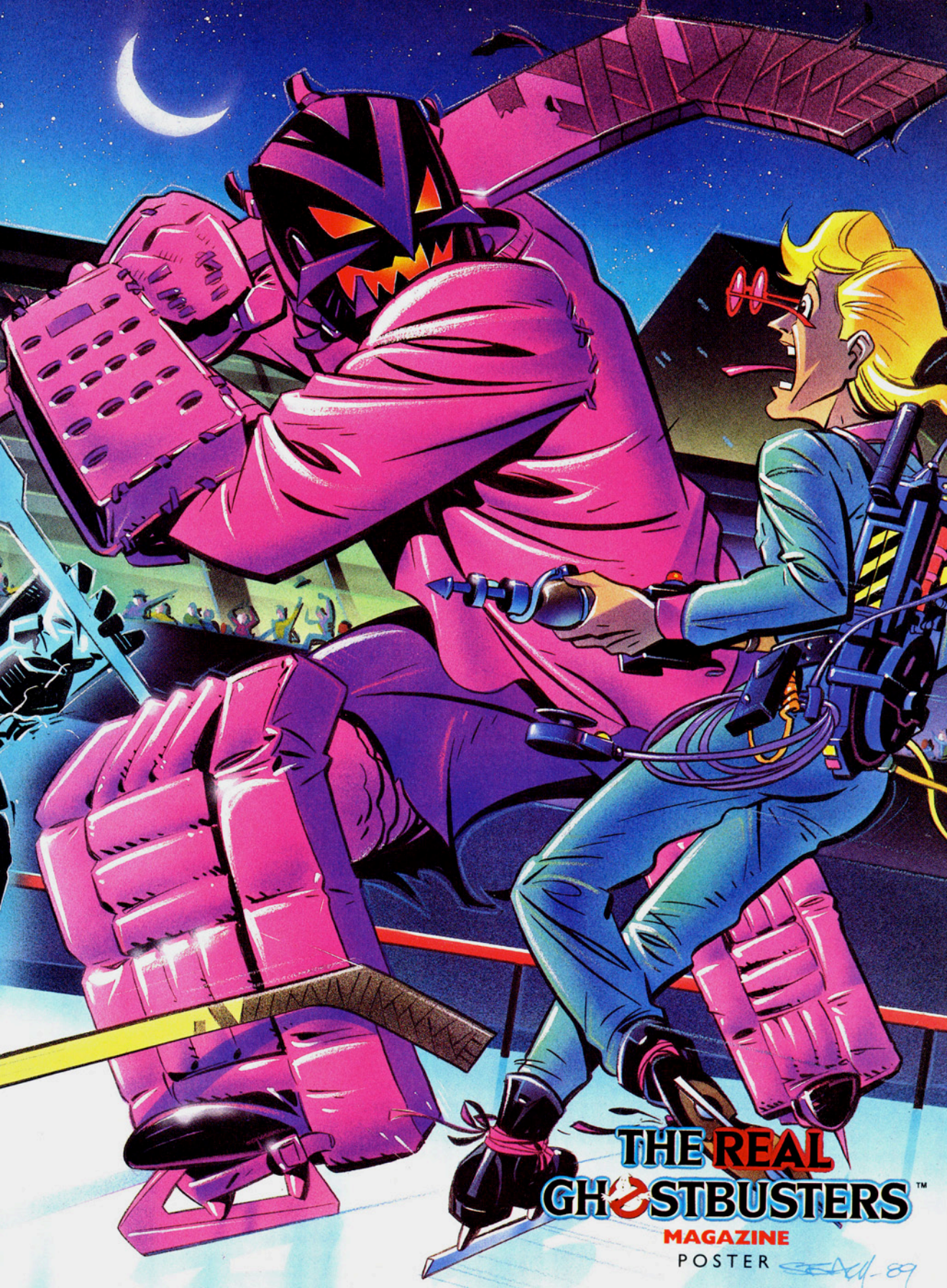
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I CAN'T BELIEVE WE LET WINSTON TALK US INTO THIS!

I GUARANTEE MY PLAN WILL WORK, RAY!







**THE REAL
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How Do They DO That?

Special Effects, called “fx” by the experts, make all of the movie magic you saw in *Ghostbusters II* possible. Here’s the scoop from someone who knows—special effects producer Janet Mohler.

BY BETSY LOREDO

Janet Mohler works for a company called Industrial Light and Magic (ILM), the experts behind the “fx” in *Ghostbusters II*. “We knew going in that *Ghostbusters II* was going to be tough,” said Janet. “There were so many special effects. You did one, working hard to get the look and the shot. Then there were 10 more!”

The crew at ILM worked on *Ghostbusters II* seven days a week for nearly six months. That may seem like a long time, but it took every minute to make so many amazing effects appear on screen.


GETTING THE GHOSTS

When Slimer zips and whizzes through the air, it looks like the *Ghostbusters*’ pal is really alive. But he was never in those shots at all!

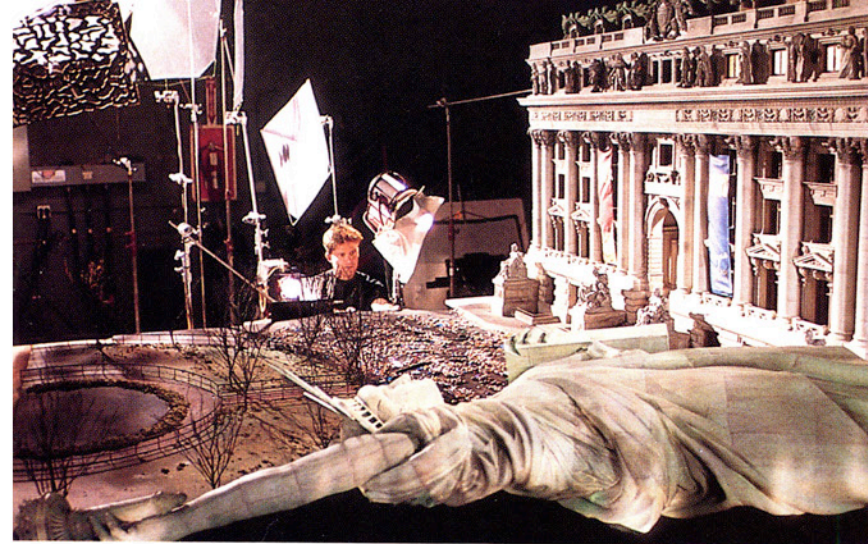
In the scenes with Slimer, the actors had to *pretend* that he was there. Later an actress dressed in a Slimer costume was shot on a separate piece of film as she swung back and forth on wires in front of a plain blue screen. Then the blue background was taken out by a special filter. Finally, the two pieces of film were joined, and it looked just like Slimer was there with the *Ghostbusters*!

Was that the hardest effect to make? No way! “It was even harder to get the Statue of Liberty to look right,” says Janet. “Everyone knows what she looks like, so that costume had to be perfect. Then we had to make her come to life! We shot those scenes many, many times to get the stiff movement of a statue walking just right.”

Some of the statue’s scenes were shot on a miniature set of the city. A few used “matte” backgrounds, paintings on glass that are so



An actress dresses up in a costume to make it seem as if Slimer can really walk.



What looks like the big city is actually a miniature model.



Statues don't move without help!

detailed they look like they really are New York City.

COMPUTERIZED CREATURES

The Creature Shop at ILM is where all the ghosts are brought to life. Sculptors create small clay figures out of foam, fiberglass or whatever is needed.

For a ghost like Slimer, who has to react to things around him, even more work is needed to make him look real. "Slimer's head was very complicated," says Janet. "It was computerized, and lots of his expressions were programmed into the computer. We made them appear at the right time by remote control."

MONDO SPECIAL EFFECTS

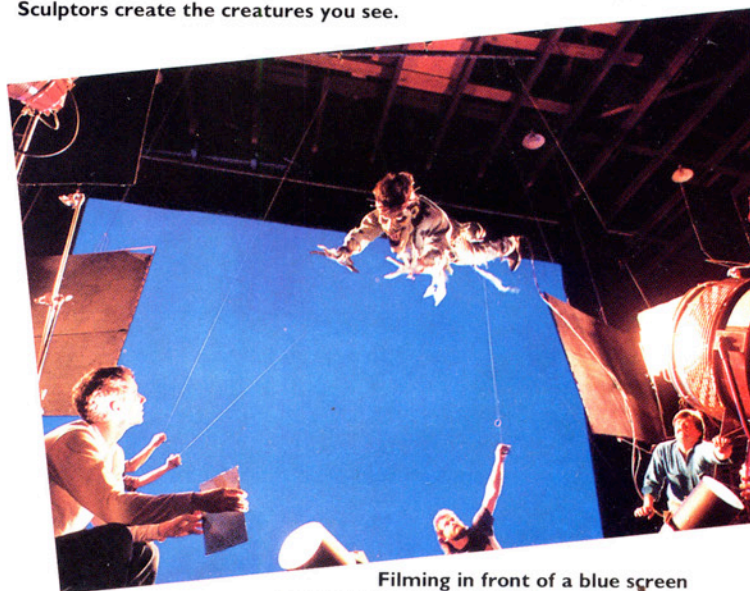
Scenes like the courtroom take-over by the Scolari brothers used as many as fifty different special effects! Some, like the proton beams, were drawn onto the film, frame by frame. Others are mixed in later when a film editor takes all the pieces of film and puts them together where they are refilmed in a special machine to make the special effect you see on screen. "It's very time consuming," Janet says.

SLIME TIME

The hardest part of the movie was working with the slime! Even though they start with the same kind you buy in toy stores, the slime you see in the movie has been lit, colored, and shot a dozen different ways. "The director really wanted it to look like a whole bunch of souls were trapped inside," Janet says. To do it, they needed truckloads of the gooey stuff. "A thousand gallons!" Janet exclaims. "That's a lot of slime!"



Sculptors create the creatures you see.



Filming in front of a blue screen is one of the secrets behind special effects.

SPIRIT ON THE

I'm ready, guys!" Peter Venkmen announced as he entered the room wearing ski pants, a ski cap, a ski jacket, a down vest, ski gloves, protective goggles, and a ski mask. He was carrying boots, poles, and a thermos full of hot chocolate. "Do you think I brought enough stuff?"

"Uh, Peter," chuckled Ray Stanz, "I think you forgot something . . . your skis!"

"Ummmm, I knew that. I was just playing a joke on you guys," answered a red-faced Peter.

A few minutes later Ecto-1 was loaded with ski equipment, and The Real Ghostbusters were on their way to the brand-new Haunter Mountain Ski resort.

"This is great," said Winston. "With just one sweep of the PKE Meter we'll be able to prove there aren't any ghosts here, and in exchange the owners are giving us a free ski vacation."

"I don't know. It sounds almost too good to be true," commented Egon.

"So, how did this Haunter Mountain place get its name, anyway?" Peter wondered on the drive up.

"Local legend has it," began Egon, "that before this resort was built, the woods on the mountain were haunted by wood spirits. All these spirits should have left when the woods were cleared to make way for the skiers. However there have been sporadic reports of strange occurrences on the slopes."

"I'm sure it's just ski-bums playing tricks," said Winston.

"Well, whatever is happening won't be any stranger than when Peter takes his first run down the mountain!" Egon teased.

"Very funny, hot shot," said Peter. "But just because it's my first time skiing, doesn't mean I won't master the sport with my usual dashing—"

The sound of three Real Ghostbusters yawning loudly cut Peter off. For the rest of the trip up, the guys discussed everything *but* skiing.

It didn't take long for The Real Ghostbusters to unpack once they arrived at Haunter Mountain. Within minutes they were ready to ride the ski lift to the top of the slope.

"Hey, Peter," said Winston, pointing to the beginner's slope. "That looks like it's about your speed!" On the slope was a ski instructor teaching a class of new skiers, who were slipping and sliding all over the snow.

Suddenly, before Peter could respond, a weird-looking figure came flying through the air. It zoomed in-between two of the beginners and pushed them down the slope! Only some fancy skiing by the instructor saved them from crashing into the trees below.

"What's going on here?" asked Ray.

Before anyone had time to react, the strange creature had zipped to the intermediate slope where it proceeded to grab ski caps from the heads of several skiers. When they reached up to try to rescue their caps, the creature loosened the bindings on their boots, and the skiers went tumbling down the mountain.

"So much for a free vacation," groaned Winston.

"Back to Ecto-1," ordered Egon. "We need our PKE meters and Proton Packs."

"Too bad," said Peter. "I was going to put on quite a show for you guys!"

"Well, you may get your chance," said Ray. "Look! That creature is headed for the ski lift. Come on!"

The Real Ghostbusters picked up their PKE meters, strapped on their Proton Packs, and headed for the ski lift. Egon took a PKE

BY MICHAEL TEITELBAUM

SLOPES

reading. "Class 7B free-floating continuous apparition," he said. Egon and Ray turned to each other and both said, "Wood Spirit!"

A few seconds later, The Real Ghostbusters were on the ski lift, chasing the spirit from seat to seat. "Arm proton packs," barked Egon. "Ready. FIRE!"

Proton energy crackled across the seats of the ski lift, but the spirit was just too fast.

"Look," shouted Winston. "He made it to the top of the advanced slope!"

At the top of the advanced slope the wood spirit grabbed a pair of skis and headed down the slope, thinking that skiing looked like fun.





In moments, the Real Ghostbusters had reached the slope. “No choice,” said Egon. “We’ve got to follow him down the advanced slope!”

“Uh, I’ll wait for you guys in the car, okay?” asked Peter.

“Sorry, Venkman,” answered Egon. “This one’s a tricky little spud, we need all four Proton beams.”

Peter closed his eyes and launched himself down the slope. “Wake me when it’s oveeeerrrr!” The others followed.

“There he is!” shouted Ray. “We’re gaining on him!” The Real Ghostbusters aimed their Proton guns. “Look!” yelled Winston. “He’s headed right for that tree!”

“Ready,” yelled Egon. “FIRE!” But just as they let loose with their proton streams the spirit slimed right through the tree, leaving The Real Ghostbusters headed straight for the giant pine.

“Move to either side!” yelled Ray.

“Which side?” asked Peter.

“Just turn!” screamed Winston. Peter put his hands over his eyes and leaned to the left. The tree rushed past him, inches from his head.

“You okay, Peter?” cried Egon.

“Fine, no problem,” Peter yelled to his partners as they rushed down the slope. “Let’s do this again real soon. Say . . . the year 2000!”

The Real Ghostbusters arrived safely at the bottom of the slope, but there was no sign of the

wood spirit, anywhere.

“Wait a second,” said Peter when he had caught his breath. “I’ve got an idea. Where does every skier go after he’s finished skiing?”

The other three looked at each other.

“Well, I may not be an expert skier, but I am an expert ski-bum,” Peter continued, holding up his thermos. “So, I’ll tell you. To the lodge for some hot chocolate!”

A few minutes later Egon and Ray had rigged ghost traps all around the lodge, including one right next to the hot chocolate machine. Sure enough, the wood spirit came bursting into the lodge. He spilled several drinks onto skiers, stole the crutches from a skier with a broken leg, and finally stopped at the hot chocolate machine. The spirit opened his mouth under the spout and began to chug down the hot stuff.

“Now!” shouted Ray. Egon opened the trap. The spirit was sucked in, followed by a stream of hot chocolate.

“GOT ‘EM!” shouted Ray.

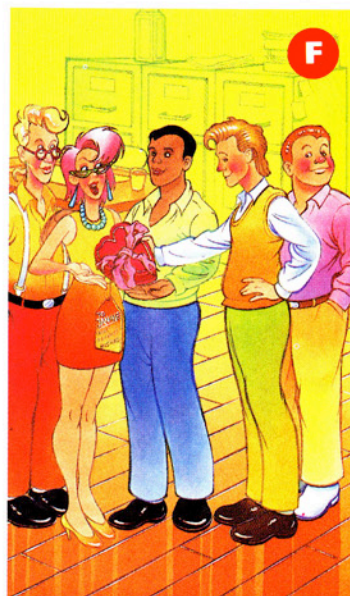
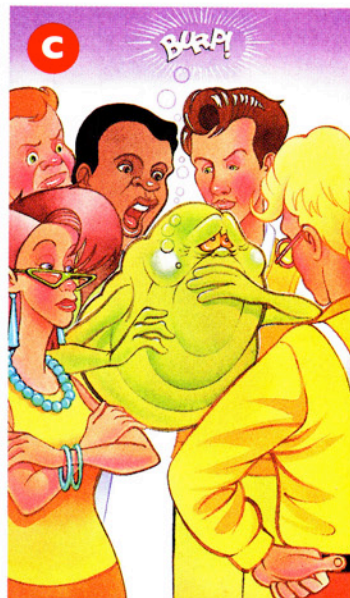
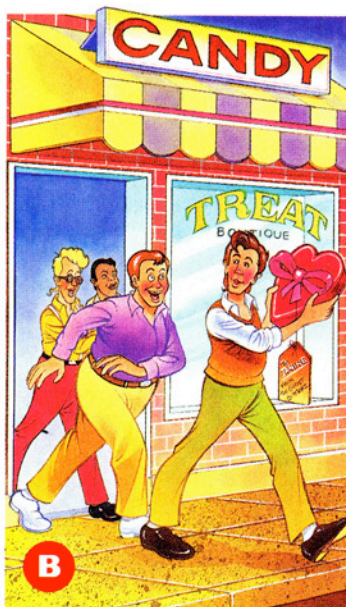
“Yeah,” grumbled Peter. “But it’s going to be awfully sticky in there!”

“Now, who’s heading back to the slopes!” called Winston, as he, Ray, and Egon grabbed their skis.

Peter was already curled up in front of the fireplace with a good book and a steaming mug of hot chocolate.

Crazy Candy Caper

What's going on here? These pictures are out of order. It looks like the guys bought Janine a box of chocolates for Valentine's Day, but something happened. Put the pictures in the right order, and you'll discover what became of Janine's gift.



ANSWERS: 1-B, 2-D, 3-A, 4-E, 5-E, 6-C

ILLUSTRATIONS BY STEVE SMALLWOOD

Globetrotting GHOSTBUSTERS



GERMAN NATIONAL TOURIST OFFICE

When *The Real Ghostbusters* say, "We're here to save the world," they're not kidding!

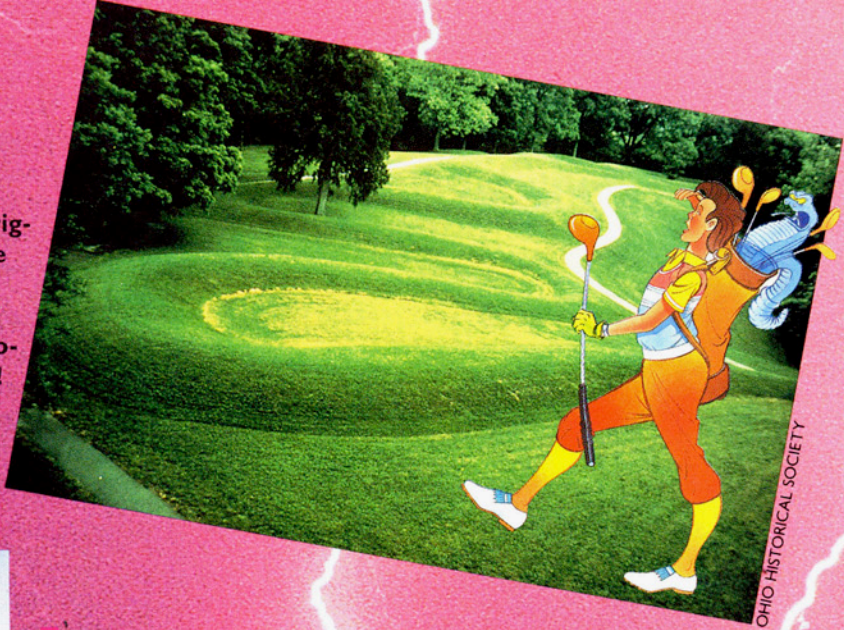
They've circled the globe in search of some of the world's meanest and most mystifying manifestations—from the unbelievably sneaky spirits that haunt the old passenger ship, *The Queen Mary*, to the ancient spirits that inhabit the pyramids of Egypt. But so far, their hunt for haunts hasn't netted a thing. Those ghosts always seem to be one step ahead of the guys.

Pay and Egon were looking for Dracula's castle, but they made a wrong turn in Romania. Instead of Transylvania, the guys wound up at a medieval German castle.

What do you mean an ancient Indian monument to serpents? It looks like a golf course to me!"

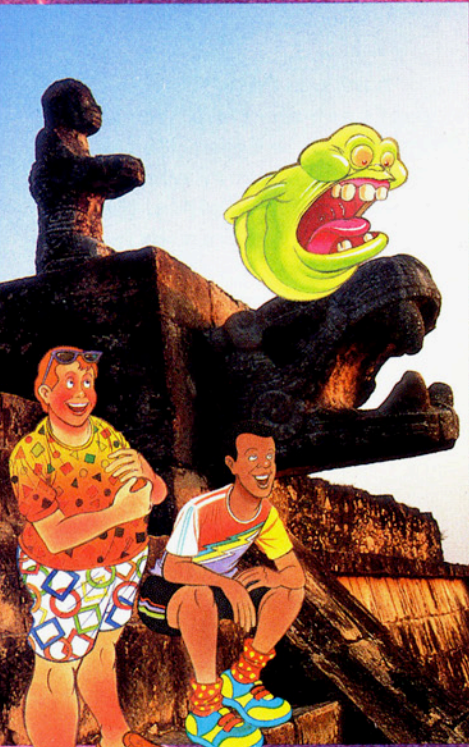
Boy, was Peter wrong. Those lumps aren't links—they form a ¼ mile-long snake that seems to wriggle along the ground in Ohio. The serpent was built by the Adena Indians about 2000 years ago. Peter should have brought his proton pack instead of his gold clubs!

He was in for quite a surprise when he reached for his putter!



OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Finally! Someone with a bigger mouth than Slimer! A humongus monster protects the ancient Mayan temples in Mexico. 500 years ago, when the Mayan Indian tribe flourished, they built fantastic temples with mathematical precision—no one knows what strange things happened inside these walls. But one thing's for sure: visitors were not welcome!



MEXICAN GOVERNMENT TOURISM OFFICE

Egon can't believe it. He spent a whole week on *The Queen Mary*, an old luxury ship that's supposed to be haunted both by former passengers and people who worked on the ocean liner. Egon couldn't find a thing. But there sure was something unusual about the fireworks show!



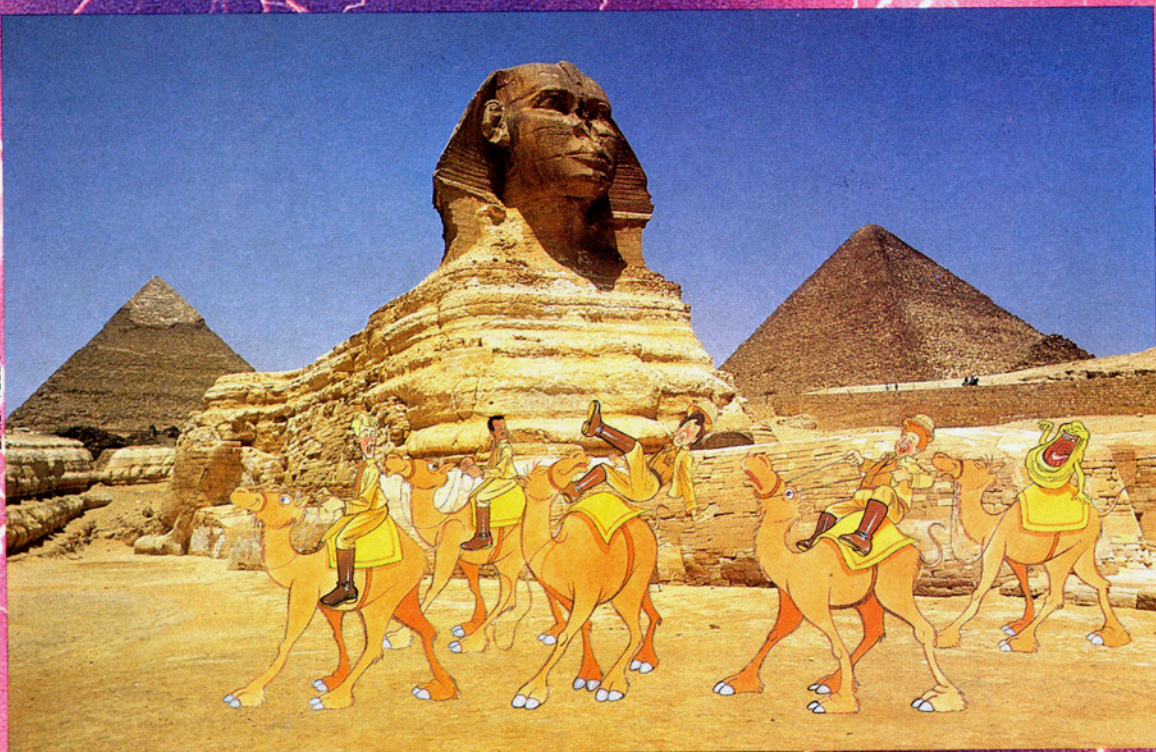
GREATER L.A. VISITORS AND CONVENTION BUREAU



On their trip to England, the guys visited Stonehenge. Stonehenge is a mysterious rock formation located right in the middle of a huge field. It was built thousands of years ago. But so far nobody knows why it was built, or who built it. Peter and Winston couldn't figure out what it was for either.

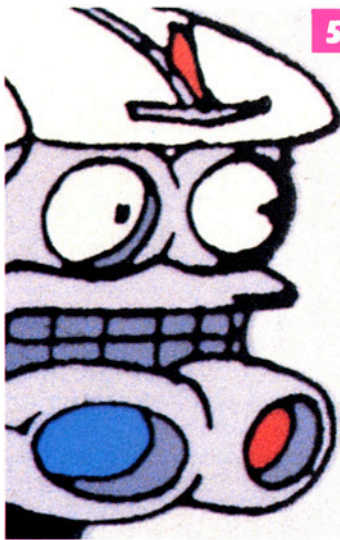
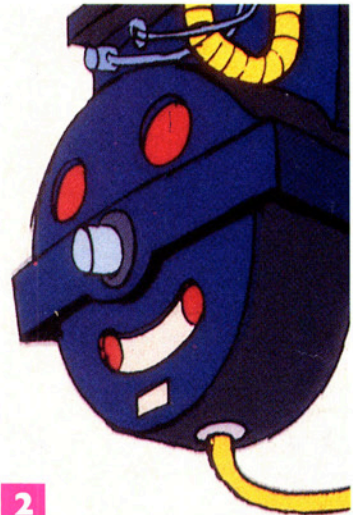
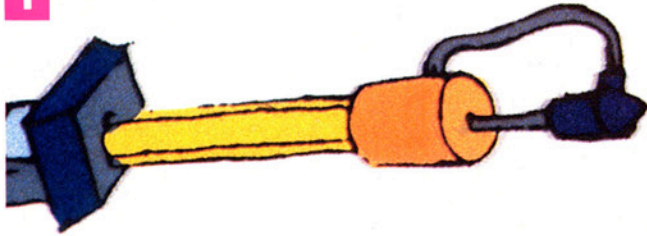
Stonehenge must be very powerful, though. For the first time ever, Slimer has found something more interesting than lunch.

Thanks to Peter, the guys didn't nab any class-fives at the pyramids in Egypt. He fell off his camel as they tried to sneak past the Sphinx, the guardian of the pyramids for the last 3,300 years! The Sphinx must have heard him fall, and warned all the ghosts that The Real Ghostbusters were on the way.



What's WHAT?

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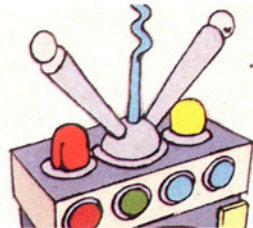


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Are they birds or planes? They're neither. You're looking at close-up pictures of five of the gadgets The Real Ghostbusters use whenever they go after ghouls.

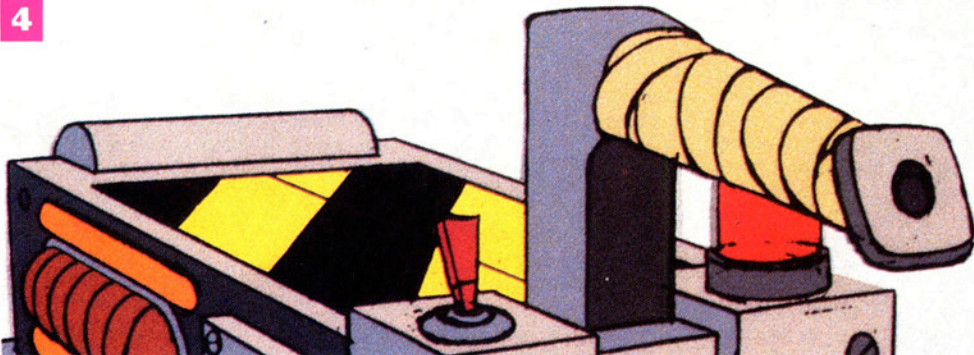
Can you figure out what piece of equipment is shown in each picture? If you get all five right, you might be on your way to being a Real Ghostbuster someday!

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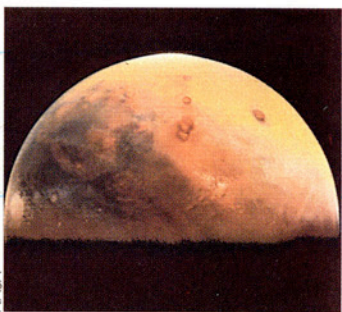
ANSWERS: 1. Proton Gun, 2. Proton Pack, 3. Walkie-Talkie, 4. Ghost Trap, 5. Ecto-1.

Egon's SCIENCE AND TECH REPORT



Yikes! You scared me! I thought you might have been Slimer. You see, I'm trying to create ghost bait out of some common hairy fungus. However, Slimer keeps stealing the samples before I have a chance to test them.

Well, no matter, you're here for a different reason, so let me tell you about the hottest news from wide world of science.



NASA

MISSION TO MARS

Mars. The Red Planet. The eerie red coloring of its lava-encrusted surface has fascinated people since it was first discovered centuries ago. Its mountains are taller than Mt. Everest, and it has canyons far larger than the Grand Canyon. The Red Planet is so foreboding that people have always been afraid that its inhabitants would invade the earth.

Today scientists believe that nobody, indeed, no thing, lives on Mars.

Indeed, instead, Earthlings will soon be invading Mars! President Bush has pledged to send men to Mars within the next 30 years.

Astronauts will spend a year travelling and exploring Mars on the 35,000,000 mile mission.

ICE HOUSE

Imagine a big bunch of snow and ice the size of the Stay Puff Marshmallow Man's foot. Well,

that's what an igloo looks like. But why, you ask, would anyone want to live in something that looks like a big marshmallow foot?

It turns out that igloos have been used by native arctic tribes, called Inuits (you might have heard them called Eskimos, but that's not really the right name). The people who live in this bitterly cold climate don't actually live in igloos all year long. They spend most of their time in wooden homes, but when they take long trips and need a warm overnight shelter, they build igloos. Igloos are exceptionally sturdy houses because their construction relies on principles of physics and meteorology (the study of the weather).

Inuit men take the first step in building an igloo. They dig a shallow hole out of a snowdrift. Then they cut several blocks of

firm snow about three feet long and two feet thick. They place the blocks in a circle and shape them so they slant inward. As the structure grows, the blocks are made smaller so they form a dome.

Next, Inuit women take a hot oil lamp inside and the entrance is closed so no cold air can get in. Soon it is very hot inside the ice dome, and the walls begin to melt. The dome shape prevents water from dripping off the walls, they just get wet. When all of the blocks are soaked through, the door is quickly opened and a gust of bitterly cold air rushes in. The air is so cold it instantly freezes the wet blocks into hard ice that insulates the igloo. Now it is weather and polar bear proof, and it's toasty warm inside!

And by the way, igloos may seem like they are easy to make, but they aren't. So you should never try to make one yourself. You could have a snow cave on your head!!!

**Igloos are built
with huge ice cubes.**



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CHARGE IT!

Do you get a charge out of playing with balloons? It's not surprising!

Electricity is the force that causes a balloon to stick to your body after you rub it on your hair. It's also the reason you sometimes see sparks when you take laundry out of the dryer. This sort of electricity is called **static electricity**. Static electricity occurs when negatively and positively charged surfaces react to each other, creating an electro-magnetic force.

Here's an experiment called the **Jumping Pepper Trick**. It will demonstrate the invisible force of static electricity.

1. Pour some salt and pepper onto a plate and mix them up.
2. Take a rubber comb and rub it up and down very quickly against a piece of cloth (creating a negative charge on the comb).
3. Hold the comb about an inch above the plate.
4. Watch the action!

The pepper should jump off

the plate and stick to the comb while the salt stays behind.

That's because as the comb comes near the salt and pepper, the positively charged pepper reacts with the comb—creating static electricity!

3-D TV

How would you like to chase ghosts along with Slimer, me, and the guys?

Soon advanced laser technology is going to allow you to join us as we chase ectoplasmic apparitions! When you watch TV in the year 2015, it might seem like the action you see on a television show is actually happening in the room with you. You'll be "into" your favorite show, literally!

In the next century, some televisions will probably be equipped with special screens. Lasers will reflect off of holograms to produce a three-dimensional image that actually moves on those screens!

You might already be familiar with holograms. Take a look at one of your parent's credit

cards. You will probably find a shiny picture in the corner, and it will change shapes if you wiggle the card.

Holograms are created by taking hundreds of photographs of an object, from all different angles, and then merging those photographs to form the three dimensional image.

3-D TV will take that technology one step further and move the image for you. In other words, you won't have to wiggle a card in your hand to make it change shapes.

And by the way, 3-D TV means something else is on the way—3-D video games! The same technology that will make it seem like you are chasing ghosts with us will put you in the action of your favorite video game.

One day when you battle hostile aliens on your TV, it might seem as if you are actually in the cockpit of a starfighter with the enemy hot on your tail!

—By Elizabeth Darst



THE RESULTS OF OUR
1989 READER SURVEY

And The Envelope Please...

The facts are in, and now we know more about you than Egon knows about spores and fungus! Thousands of you responded to The Real Ghostbusters Readers' Survey we printed last summer, and one thing is for sure—you love everything, and we do mean *everything*, about The Real Ghostbusters. There's no doubt about it, you're the best Real Ghostbusters fans in the world! Thanks for writing to us!



**Your #1 movie stars were—
what else—the stars of your two favorite
flicks, *Ghostbusters* and *Ghostbusters II*.**

● Your #1 movie stars were Bill Murray, Sigourney Weaver, Annie Potts, Harold Ramis, and Dan Aykroyd, the stars of—what else!—your two favorite flicks, *Ghostbusters* and *Ghostbusters II*.

● Of course, the most popular of all TV cartoon characters were none other than Peter, Ray, Egon, Janine, and Slimer!

● When you guys play with toys, you break out your Real Ghostbusters' action figures. The Ecto cars and Proton Packs seem to be especially popular when you try to nab those Class Fives.

● The Real Ghostbusters were even among your favorites in some categories we didn't think they could be!

When we asked what living person you most wanted to meet, a lot of you named President Bush, but many more of you wanted to say "hi" to *Ghostbusters* stars Bill Murray and Dan Aykroyd. And you said that if you could be anybody else, you'd rather be one of those two actors or Harold Ramis.

● Most of you want to be ghostbusters more than anything else when you grow up. However, many of you thought you'd like to become either a scientist, an athlete, a policeman, or a doctor or a nurse.

● What are you scared of? Most of you said that monsters, ghosts, and the dark. Nothing else was even close! So it's not surprising that *The Real Ghostbusters* and ghostbusting are so popular.

● It was also no great shock to learn that you think homework is the worst thing about school, while free time is the best.

● You like playing sports or just playing with your friends after school. And baseball is more than twice as popular as any other sport.

● We questioned you about what you would like to ask President Bush, and there were about a million different answers. A few of you said you would ask him how to stop war, drugs, and pollution.

Others wanted to know if they could be President for a day. But some of you came up with pretty wacky questions for the Prez. One of you would ask the President if he could get you on TV, and somebody wanted to know why his last name is "Bush"!

● The final question asked you what you would wish for if you had three wishes. More than anything else, you guys wished you were rich, that you could meet a famous person, or that you were *Real Ghostbusters*. (Somebody even wished that everybody in the world was a *Real Ghostbuster*.) A few of you were even tricky enough to ask for more wishes! Some of you had really wild wishes:

To become a WWF superstar wrestler.

"To make my parents obey me."

To have cartoons on TV all day long!

To not have to stay clean!

To have a pink Corvette.

Readers' Survey / Sweepstakes Winners

Oops! We almost forgot. We told you that 25 of you would win *Real Ghostbusters* prizes, just for sending in the surveys. Well, here are the names of the 25 lucky winners. They'll receive *Real Ghostbuster* pencil "Twirlem's" and sharpener "Domes" courtesy of **The Noteworthy Company** of Tacoma, California. We promise we closed our eyes when we chose the 25 winners.

Sherman Peros, Kahului, Hawaii
Jesse A. DeMarco, Brooklyn, New York
Donald Jay Rackley, Hixson, Tennessee
Raul (Spike) Salazar,
 Corpus Christi, Texas
Kyle Archer, Plano, Texas
Cheryl Rebich, New York, New York
Jude Ray Bruno, Sulphur, Louisiana
BJ Dowd, Naugatuck, Connecticut
Brian Hart, Vallejo, California
Justin Williams, Antioch, California
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 Keamey, Maryland
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Manuel Jason Brito,
 Bellingham, Washington
Nathan Barnard, Cave-In-Rock, Illinois
Daryl Kyle, Kinross, Michigan
Justin Emrich, Fremont, Ohio
Kassie Saeger,
 Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin



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Dr. Venkman's GAG FILE

By Michael Pellowski



PETER: Why was the ghost of King Tut crying?

JANINE: Slimer is in love with me.

EGON: Why?

RAY: Why?

PETER: Because he wanted his mummy.

JANINE: He thinks I'm bootiful.

EGON: What do you get if you cross a witch and an insect?

RAY: Here's a totally tricky tongue twister to test your talking talent.

PETER: A Spelling Bee.

PETER: OK, no problem.

EGON: Why was the skeleton at the movies by himself?



RAY: Which witch wished which wicked wish?

RAY: I don't know.

PETER: Ugh! Even I can't say that. Maybe our readers can.

EGON: He had no body to go with.



What is a ghost's favorite bird?

A Boojay!

WINSTON: What do monsters like to eat for dessert?

Where does a werewolf go to get a new tail?
A re-tail store.

RAY: Devil's food cake.

What does the Invisible Man put on his face before he goes to sleep?

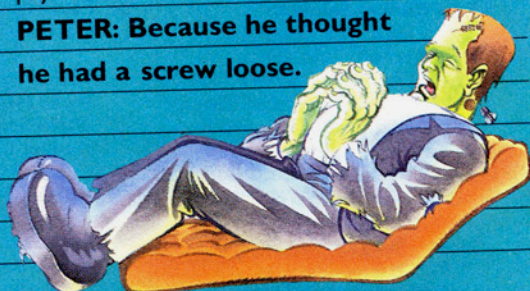
JANINE: Why did Frankenstein go to the psychiatrist?

Vanishing cream.

PETER: Because he thought he had a screw loose.

SLIMER: What does a vampire put on at the beach?

WINSTON: Moontan lotion.



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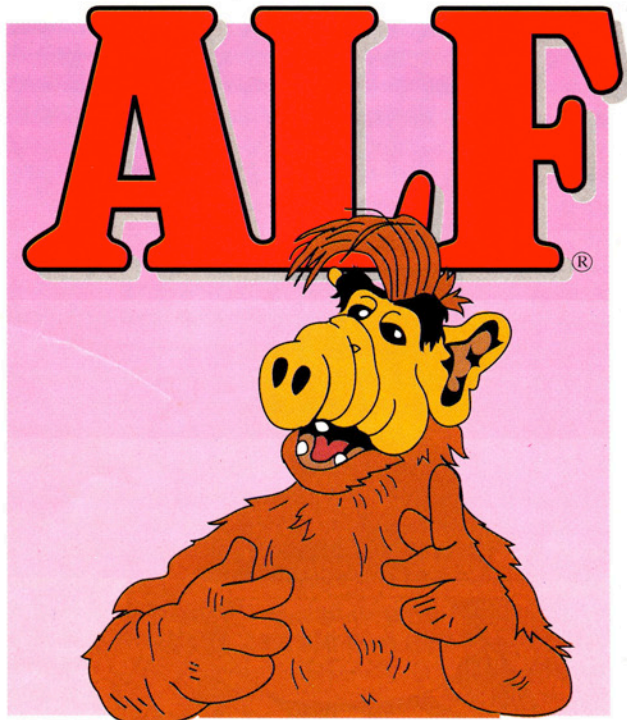
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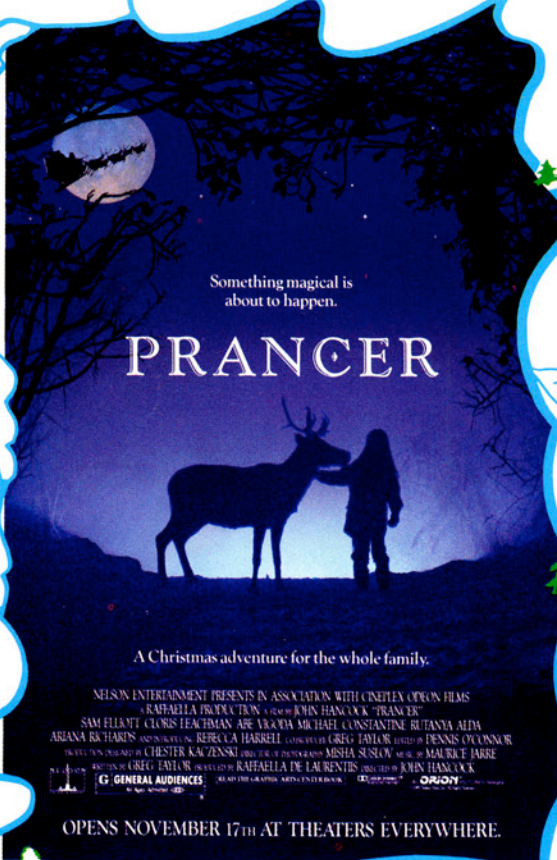
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