# **Duck Dodgers' Saga**

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Duck Dodgers must fight against New World and the president of New World: Michael Good. But is Dodgers up to the task? Well, seeing as there is a reward.

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### 1 - The New Boss

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Episode 1: The New Boss

A spaceship floated silently through space, for the occupants were in no hurry. The Space Cadet looked over the controls of the spaceship. Even though they were in auto-pilot, he made sure that everything was nominal. Duck Dodgers then entered in quite drowsily, carrying a cup of coffee trying to wake up. The Cadet saluted Dodgers before going back to his work. Dodgers yawned heavily as he sat on the captain's chair.

"Uh, Duck Dodgers," said the Cadet, "There is a message from Base Control."

"Put it on big screen, Cadet." said Dodgers, yawning once more. The holographic screen turned on, but it wasn't the normal boss. It was a tall man with dark features. A cowboy hat obscured his face.

"Duck Dodgers, I presume?" the man said.

"Yeah, I am he," said Dodgers, "And you might be?"

"Call me John," said John, "Your old boss as been fired, and I have been chosen to take his place."

"And you got your first mission for me already?" Dodgers asked.

"Yes, I do indeed, Dodgers," said John, "First, I wish to test you as your first mission. The first test shall be of loyalty. The test will begin tomorrow, Dodgers. Good luck." With that, the screen went blank. The Cadet looked over to Dodgers, to find Dodgers sleeping with his eyes open.

The next day, Dodgers walked down the corridor towards his own room. Along the way, he got a call on his cell phone. Tacking it out, the Cadet appeared on the screen.

"Uh, sir, the Martians have just surrounded us." the Cadet said. Dodgers headed quickly to the bridge. As soon as Dodgers sat on the captain's chair, the Martian Commander appeared on the holographic screen.

"Ah, Duck Dodgers," the Martian Commander said smugly, "We met again."

"Yeah, yeah, say pal, this isn't a good time for me." said Dodgers.

"Nonsense, Dodgers!" shouted the Martian Commander, "We will battle, or I destroy your Earth!" The screen changed to an image of Earth, where Martian ships were surrounding it. Dodgers gulped loudly and thought fast.

"What say you, Dodgers?" the Martian Commander said. Dodgers smiled back at the Martian Commander.

"I say you underestimate me once again, Martian!" Dodgers said, and without another word went into ramming speed. He rammed head-on into the Martian's ship. Dodgers then unleashed a hail of bullets so close to the ship. The Martian Commander pulled back. Dodgers let him go, and then sent a wave of

electricity onto the smaller Martian ships around Earth. The ships shook for awhile before they all exploded. Earth was unaffected, and the Martian Commander had fled. Dodgers celebrated, and soon there came a call from John.

"Congratulations, Dodgers," said John, still with the hat low over his face, "You have passed my first test. Now for your second test."

"Whoa, wait a second, Johnny my boy," said Dodgers, "You mean to say the Martian invasion just there was all part of your test?"

"Yes, who did you think gave them such a plan as that of which you saw, Dodgers?" asked John. "What were you thinking, I could have failed!" Dodgers shouted.

"But you didn't Dodgers. Now for your second test. The test will begin in an unknown time to you. So suspect anything, Dodgers. Good luck." With that, John disappeared again, leaving the Cadet and Dodgers to their own thoughts.

As Dodgers played a game of chess with the ship's computer (Dodgers played black and the computer played white. None were in the lead yet), the Cadet steered the ship through space aimlessly. The game of chess with Dodgers and the computer was really heating up. Dodgers had just made a strategical move, and the computer went into deep thought. The computer struck back, making what seemed a suicidal move. Dodgers sat back and took in the board. The move the computer made seemed very dangerous to white (the computer) and yet the computer made the move anyway. Dodgers didn't think much of the play he was to do next, but more of the move the computer made and why the computer had made it. Dodgers sat straight up once more and came back with his own move, completely ignoring the piece the computer had moved. Dodgers' move checked the computer's king as well as threatening the computer's queen.

The computer went into another deep thought. A few minutes later, the computer offered to make the game a draw. Dodgers declined, always wanting to see everything to its end. The computer fell silent, and then made its move quite quickly. The computer had moved its king, of course, leaving its queen open for Dodgers' knight. Dodgers didn't take the queen, however; instead, Dodgers put more force on the queen by adding his bishop to the threat. The computer suggested a new game of tic-tac-toe, to which Daffy said no.

The computer decided to ignore Daffy's threat, thinking it nothing but a bluff. It moved its own bishop, threatening Dodgers' king in one more move. Daffy then struck quickly by taking away the computer's queen. The computer now moved its bishop, checking Dodgers. Dodgers had foreseen this and had already been prepared. He took the bishop away, and stared at the computer, even though the computer couldn't stare back. The computer than made a simple move, allowing Dodgers to check the king once more. The computer moved the king the only place to go, where Dodgers then made the last moved and check-mated the computer. Just then, John came up on the holographic screen again.

"You passed the test, Dodgers," said John, "One more test awaits you." With that, he disappeared again. Dodgers looked questioningly over to the Cadet, who just shrugged.

Dodgers stretched from his bed and changed from his pajamas to his space suit. Heading to the bridge, he found that was on the holographic screen.

"Ah, Dodgers, there you are," said John, "Tell me, how many fingers am I holding up?" John then held up four fingers. Dodgers looked questioningly to the Cadet, who just shrugged again. "Four, Johnny." Dodgers said.

"And if I were to say that it was five and not four, then how many?" John asked.

"Four, Johnny." said Dodgers, slightly confused by the question. John sighed deeply.

"How many fingers, Dodgers?" John persisted.

- "I said four, Johnny." Dodgers said. This time, Dodgers was struck by an electrical bolt.
- "How many fingers, Dodgers?" John asked, more angrily.
- "It's four fingers, John!" shouted Dodgers, receiving a more painful electrical shock than before. The Cadet tried to help Dodgers, but found that he was stuck to the spot by an unknown and unseen force. "How many fingers, Dodgers?!"
- "It's bloody four, you psychopath!" Another electrical shock, more painful than the other two combined.
- "How many fingers, Dodgers!?" Dodgers shook away the pain and looked at John. The hat still obscured John' face, so Dodgers looked angrily at the hat.
- "What is the bloody point of this, John?!"
- "It doesn't matter, Dodgers," said John, taking down his fingers, "You have failed this test. Two out of three though have made you pass all my tests. I accept the job of being your new boss, Dodgers; though albeit a little reluctantly."
- "By the way, what is your full name, John?"
- "It is John D. Whiskey, Dodgers. I shall see you tomorrow." With that, John's image disappeared. The Cadet was finally let go from the force and helped Dodgers to his feet.
- "Captain Dodgers, that name of his." said the Cadet.
- "Yes, John Dallas Whiskey," said Dodgers, "The hero of the year 2222."
- "What is he doing as our boss?"
- "I have studied this John and how he became the hero of 2222," said Dodgers, "And this John who is now our boss is not the real John. But he does have the same hat."
- "So his he the real John D. Whiskey, or is he a fraud?"
- "I don't know, Cadet," said Dodgers, "But I have a feeling we'll soon find out."

## 2 - The Martian Invasion, Pt 1

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Episode 2: The Martian Invasion, Part 1

Duck Dodgers entered the bridge. The Cadet saluted Dodgers before returning to the weekly check-up. Dodgers sat down on the captain's chair, putting his feet up on the steering wheel. Suddenly, the holographic screen came on with John, still covered by the hat.

"Dodgers, there seems to be Martian ships gathering near Mars, seeming to be preparing for an invasion. I want you to go over there and see what's up. If they are indeed planning an invasion, use whatever means necessary to stop them."

"Got it, Johnny, ol' boy." said Dodgers as he headed for Mars. Once within range, Dodgers had the Cadet run a view of the ships' positions. A few seconds later, the Cadet notified that the ships just seemed to be hovering above Mars, close yet far enough away from the planet's gravitational force. Dodgers examined the ships' position. He then found that they closely resembled a chess formation of one side, like the blacks. Dodgers ordered for recruitments, in which they came in about twenty minutes. Having them line up in chess formation; Dodgers placed his own ship where the king on a board would go. Though Dodgers knew that the Martians wouldn't act out the battle like a chess game; so he told the others to wait and only charge on his command. Giving about ten minutes for the Cadet to spy on the Martians, he ordered the charge when the Cadet came back empty-handed on why the ships were there in the first place. Leading the charge, Dodgers was the first to crash into the Martians ships. Barely missing the first row of ships, Dodgers found that the Martians had been completely oblivious to Dodgers or the other ships. Dodgers and the others easily defeated the first through three rows. The last two rows were now aware of their presence, and were a little harder. Dodgers headed to the surface of Mars, wishing to see why the Martian ships had not landed.

Landing safely, Dodgers got out of his ship with a laser gun raised. He left the Cadet inside to make sure no Martians took it over or anything like that. He found that all the Martians seemed to be at the city hall. Entering in, Dodgers overheard the Martian Queen finishing her speech. She saw Dodgers and ushered him forward. The other Martians booed and threw various non-lethal items at Dodgers. Dodgers reached the stage and stood beside the Queen.

"Hearken, here is Duck Dodgers, conveniently arriving none the sooner," started the Queen, "So, Dodgers, you may be wondering why we had about five rows of Martian ships hovering over Mars?" "Uh, yes, that question did cross my mind." said Dodgers, thoroughly confused.

"It is because New World is rising once more, but here in Mars, instead of Earth." said the Queen. "New World," said Dodgers, "The American government in the year 2222 that was overthrown by John Dallas Whiskey with the help of the White's Rebellion, started by Jessica White?"

"You have studied your Earth's history well, Dodgers." said the Queen.

- "But it still doesn't explain the Martian ships."
- "They were set there to get you to come here, Dodgers," the Queen informed, "The question is, will you help us, Dodgers?"
- "Why should I help Mars, whose been attacking my Earth and trying to kill me for some time?" "If you agree to help Mars, I shall sign a peace treaty with your Earth, and we will get married, you and I, Dodgers; so that the bond between Earth and Mars can be tighter." The Queen said. Dodgers celebrated greatly in his mind, but he took care in not showing it on his face.
- "Well, how can I say no to that proposition?" Dodgers said, "So what do you want me to do?" "I want you to find Michael Good, who is somewhere in the recesses of Mars' old kingdom." said the Queen.
- "The president of New World is still alive?" said Dodgers, "I thought Whiskey disposed of Good back in the year 2222."
- "That's what the records of Earth say, yes," the Queen said, "But it would seem that Good is also part robot."
- "The secret of Good being a cyborg was found years ago, in the same year of 2222, to be exact; by Whisky." Dodgers informed.
- "Yes, but it would explain why he is still alive after all these years. Being a cyborg does give one eternal life. And what about this Whiskey fellow, Dodgers?"
- "The hero of 2222, he overthrew Michael Good and New World with the help of the White's Rebellion, which was led by Jessica White."
- "And what had become of Whiskey after he overthrew Good and New World?"
- "I do not know for certain."
- "Well then, Dodgers, I suppose you'll turn into another John D. Whiskey to help us, won't you?"
- "Uh, maybe," said Dodgers, "Could you perhaps follow a plan of my making?"
- "You made a plan, Dodgers?"
- "Yeah, and if you don't pay attention, you might get confused. It's a bit complicated." said Dodgers, and then he went over his plan to the Queen. The offshoot of his plan was that the Queen and her fellow Martian would create a sort of Martian Invasion of their own planet to try to drive Michael Good out, if he was indeed in Mars. Though the Queen thought this plan idiotic at first, after Dodgers explained it thoroughly, she was amazed at how simple the plan was and how there was a big chance of it actually succeeding. Thus she informed the rest of the Martians of the plan. And then, come tomorrow morning, they would carry it out.

The Martians tore into the underground facility of New World, destroying everything in their wake. Duck Dodgers flew in with a small attack ship of the Martians, flying around, not firing a shot. He was saving up for the ultimate bad guy at the end, whom Dodgers suspected to be Michael Good. Dodgers busted through the door of the big boss and exited the ship to aim his laser pistol at the figure at the far end of the room. As the figure turned to face Dodgers, Dodgers was stunned and lowered his pistol. Out of all the people Dodgers suspected to find right now, his old friend, Bugs Bunny, was not one of them. But there in front of Dodgers was Bugs himself with a black cape flowing about him.

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