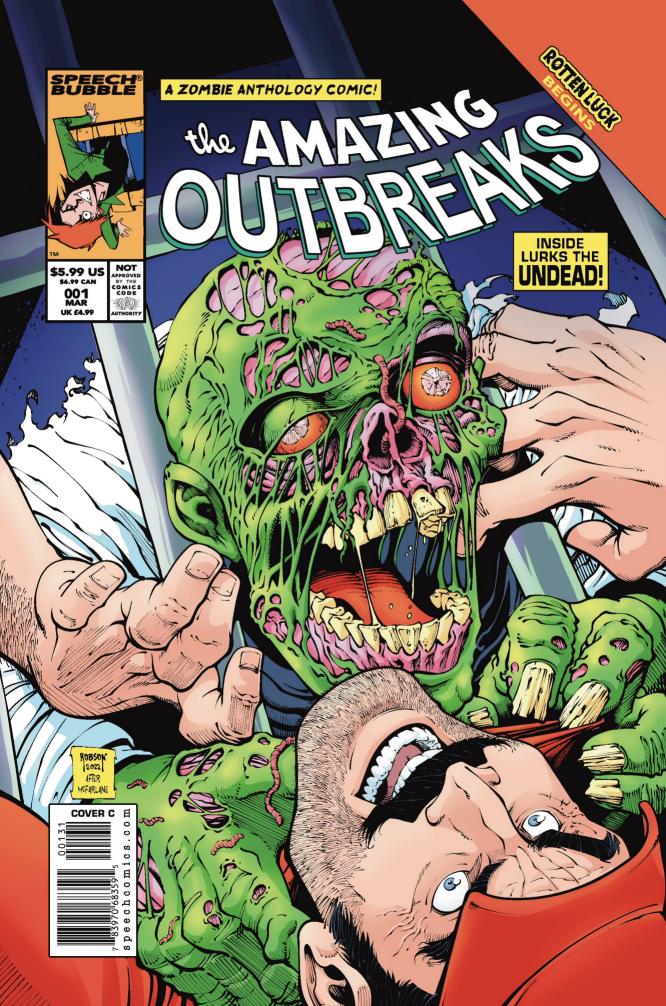




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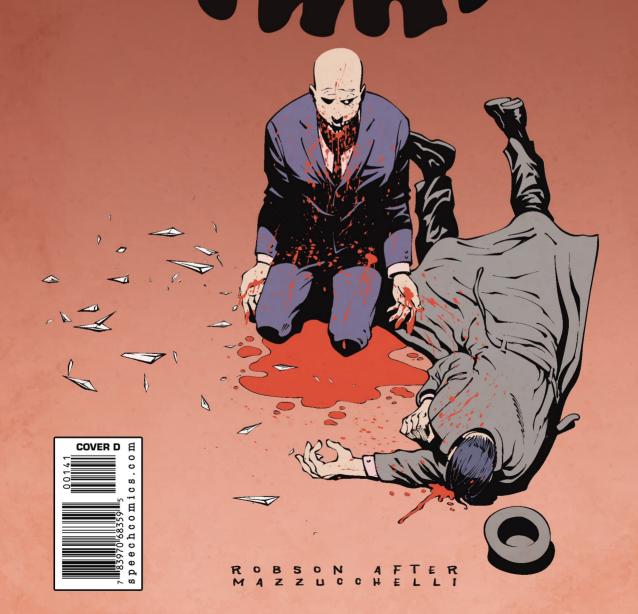


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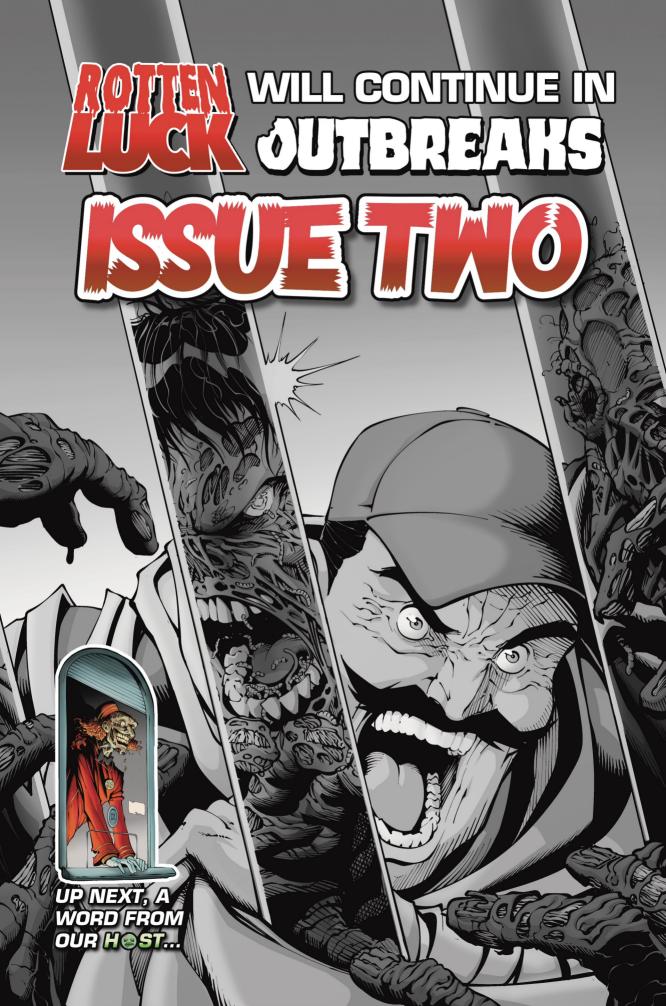














JUNE 10TH, 1959.

I'LL NEVER FORGET IT.

I'LL NEVER FORGET THE SMELL OF THE SUMMER RAIN THRASHING ON THE SIDEWALK JUST OUTSIDE MY APARTMENT WINDOW...

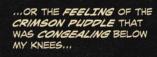
...OR THE **SOUND** OF DISTANT THUNDER GENTLY ROLLING IN FROM ACROSS THE **HUDSON**.







I'LL NEVER FORGET THE SIGHT OF THE SHATTERED GLASS ACROSS MY LIVING ROOM FLOOR...



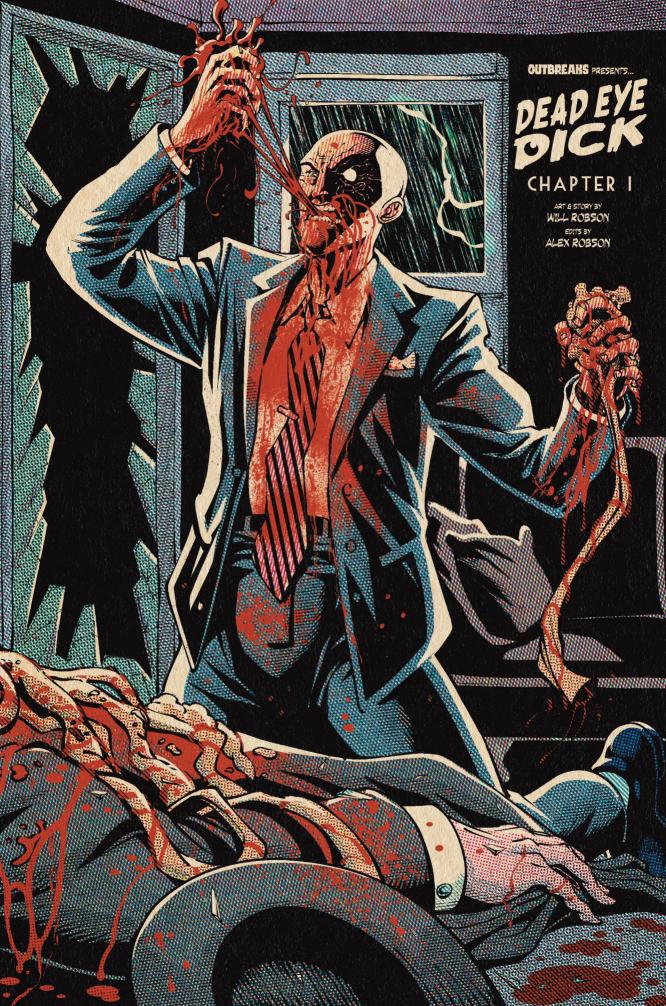












I WASN'T ALWAYS LIKE THIS.

TWO WEEKS AGO I WAS JUST ANOTHER AGING SOLDIER TRYING TO REDISCOVER A SENSE OF SELF WORTH THROUGH PHYSICAL FITNESS...



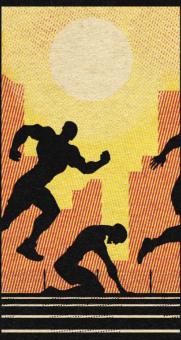
...AND I WASN'T THAT YOUNG KID ANYMORE WITH THE **BIG DREAM** OF FIGHTING **NAZIS** OR GOING TOE-TO-TOE WITH **HITLER** HIMSELF.



... AND FAILING MISERABLY

I WAS JUST ANOTHER OUT-OF-SHAPE VET WITH A DAILY VISUAL REMINDER THAT WAR IS, INDEED AS THEY SAY, HELL.









THE YEARS OF ENDLESS
DRINKING AND SMOKING
AFTER THE WAR HAD FINALLY
CAUGHT UP TO ME...

BACK IN THE WAR THEY USED TO CALL ME **DEAD EYE DICK...**

...ON ACCOUNT OF ME BEING THE *BEST* DAMN SNIPER MY SQUADRON HAD EVER *SEEN--*WITH MORE *MAZI* NOTCHES ON MY BELT THAN ANY OTHER SHARPSHOOTER IN MY PLATOON *COMBINED*.

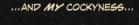


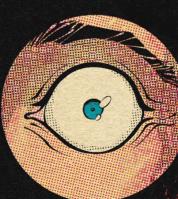


BUT TALENT CAN LEAD TO COCKINESS...









...LED TO AN EARLY RETIREMENT.













THERE WAS A HOLE IN MY LIFE, AND IT WASN'T JUST THE ONE IN MY LEFT EYE SOCKET.

I NEEDED *PURPOSE.* I NEEDED *CHANGE.*

I NEEDED A MIRACLE.







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AND WITH THE STRIKING OF A SINGLE MATCH, MY MIRACLE WAS ABOUT TO COME TRUE...

...IN THE WORST WAY POSSIBLE.





A (CORMACK)



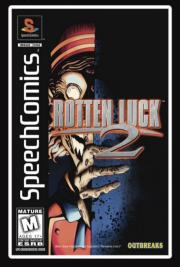




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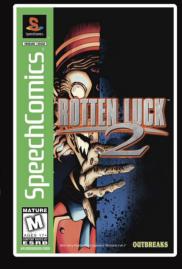


E (VIDEO GAME HOMAGE 2)



D (VIDEO GAME HOMAGE)

WHICH WILL YOU **CHOOSE**





G (MCFARLANE NOIR)



(DELUXE FOIL)



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Welcome to the official letter column for OUTBREAKS!

This is where we'll be hearing from readers like **YOU** on your thoughts about the previous issue of OUTBREAKS. As this is our first letter column, we thought we'd have a little fun by asking a bunch of comic book creators what they would do at the start of the zombie apocalypse. If you want to tell us your thoughts on Outbreaks Issue 1 or what you would do in the zombie apocalypse (or chat about **ANYTHING** zombies) then please write in to us at:

speechcomics@gmail.com

Make sure that you pick up **Issue 2** to see if your letter makes it into this section of the book!

Now, before we see what all these comic creators would do in the zombie apocalypse, here's a little personal note from the creator of OUTBREAKS: **Will Robson**

Hey, folks!

Man...this is crazy. Thank you all **SO MUCH** for helping me make this book a reality. Putting OUTBREAKS together has been **THE** most rewarding work I've ever done in comics (more than drawing Batman or Spider-Man put together) and I honestly hope I can keep producing new issues of OUTBREAKS for the rest of my life. Working with great artists like **David Hartman**, **Monika Maccagni** and **Cyril Vincent** has been a dream come true and I'm already contacting other illustrators I love to collaborate with on future issues!

For right now, the plan is to launch Issue 2 in September and Issue 3 in February. That will wrap up our main story, ROTTEN LUCK, leaving the book open to a new zombie story to take over! I'd like to make the 4th issue a "Holiday Special" for winter 2024 and potentially have a bunch of guest artists and writers in, but that's all based on how well this book keeps selling. The goal is to get to the first trade paperback (collecting the first 4 issues) and with your continued help, I'm sure we will!

I've also had a ${f TON}$ of fun putting together the ${f trading}$ card game that accompanies the OUTBREAKS series! Outbreaks The Trading Card Game is a fully playable strategy card game that I've been crafting and play testing over the past year. It's basically like MAGIC THE **GATHERING, POKEMON and HEARTHSTONE** combined with a unique style-of-play that I've created. I really love trading card games and wanted to give you guys something super special instead of generic trading cards to collect. I didn't plan on falling in love with the process of game making though and I have to admit that for many nights I've been working on this silly game more than the comic itself! The next Kickstarter we launch will have a bunch more trading cards available and hopefully down the line (with enough interest) I can launch a Kickstarter for a starter deck for the game.

I will end this by saying **THANK YOU** again to everyone that backed this project and I'll see you again for **Issue 2** in **September**!

-Will

We asked a bunch of comic creators.

"WHAT IS THE FIRST THING YOU'D DO IN THE ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE?"

Here's what they had to say.

- "First things first:I'd make a custom clown suit:Top priorities:
- 1. Armored wig
- 2. Armored neck brace

That big goofy (armored) clown hair will be strapped onto my head real tight... statistically I'm for sure going to be infected—so I may as well be the best zombie I can be, right?

What's scarier (but totally cool looking) to those eventual human survivors, that will see me in some dark alleyway than a zombie clown?

The armored wig and neck brace will make me much harder to kill—setting myself up for a long undead existence, shambling around looking creepy. Also, I'll try to make sure I'm standing near cool angled debris, so I look framed compositionally by shadows and backlighting. I can't wait!"

FREDDIE WILLIAMS II (BATMAN/TMNT, HEMAN/THUNDERCATS, GODZILLA VS POWER RANGERS, THE DC COMICS GUIDE TO DIGITALLY DRAWING COMICS)

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"Most smart people are apt to say they'd bunker down and fortify their place with weaponry, boarded-over windows, and maybe cinder blocks in front of the doors; or go grab all the non-perishable food and toilet paper they can; they might go see to loved ones' safety or find an unoccupied Pennsylvania shopping mall or just go on an epic binge and wait for the end to come. Not me. Instead, I will start speedreading all the sacred tomes to really see how to come through this thing okay. And by that, I mean a full re-reread of The Walking Dead, World War Z, Shaun of the Dead (the comic adaptation, because of that great Zach Howard art), iZombie (not because I'll learn how to survive but just because of the great Allred art), the Rot & Ruin book series, and whatever other zombie-related books might hold the key both to surviving this thing, or at least learning from the doomed characters' mistakes.

At the end of all of that, I'm sure to have gleaned a few truths that will help me make it through. Or if not, well, then I'll happily go out how I lived, which is... hiding from the real world and instead reading a big stack of great comics and books."

CHRIS RYALL (ZOMBIES VS ROBOTS, SHAUN OF THE DEAD, TALES OF SYZPENSE)

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"I would find Robert Kirkman and join forces with him because he surely has thought of every scenario for zombie survival by now!"

RYAN STEGMAN (VANISH, VENOM, ABSOLUTE CARNAGE, SUPERIOR SPIDER-MAN)

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"I know I should say, food, supplies, weapons or something sensible but the first thing I would do is make sure I have MY LIST. A list I've been cultivating of the people I like least in this life, that if (heaven forbid) they were to get infected, I'd be legally and morally (finally) allowed to kill.

I'll need a lot of things to survive in the oncoming apocalypse, but that list is towards the top of my must haves."

JOE MULVEY (SCAM, HAPPY HILL, WAILING BLADE, THE LAST RIDE OF PILLAR & PRYDE) @JoeMulv |

"Over the years, I've thought a lot about what I'd do in the event of a zombie apocalypse, and I keep on coming back to the same answer."

I'd die.

Why kid myself? I barely have the survival skills for regular life, never mind facing the undead. Allow me to paint a picture of exactly how things would go for me. Right at the earliest stages of the outbreak, before the public knows what's going on, I'm walking down the street, nose in my phone. Someone runs past screaming in the background. I lazily look up three seconds too late, see nothing, go back to my phone. Then a zombie lurches towards me. I look up from my phone, say "Oh FU--" and then I'm toast.

And maybe that's for the best. Who wants to live in a grim dystopia, existing in a state of constant terror, watching your loved ones turn into monsters, or becoming a monster of a different kind yourself to keep living? Best to shuffle on outta there quick, I say!"

JOHN LEES (AND THEN EMILY WAS GONE, HOTELL, SINK, DIG, THE NASTY, THE CRIMSON CAGE)

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"I think the first thing I'd do is I'd want to kill a zombie.

Knowing my luck, I'd probably die during this scenario, but I've seen so many brutal zombie "deaths" in films and TV, that I'd have a go at one.

Plus, why not dress up as your favourite superhero whilst doing it? So, anyone running away from the zombies in all the mayhem and chaos would suddenly do a double take, look back, and be like:

"was that f*cking Batman, I just saw?""

ALEX ROBSON (OUTBREAKS, HOST OF BATMAN THE ANIMATED SERIES PODCAST)

@batmantaspod



"Let's get serious...

If I decided to fight it out at home, then the first thing I'd do is lock my doors and close my curtains. I don't want anything alive OR undead knowing that I'm there. I'd then fill the bathtub and sinks with water, along with all pots and pans that I own (or anything that can hold liquid as who knows when they'll shut off the water). I'd eat all the perishables in my fridge first and then ration out the shelf stable food. I'd then begin fortifying my property with boarded up windows made from wardrobes and I'd sharpen my brooms into spears (the ultimate zombie killing weapon in my opinion). I'd spend my early days studying books on farming, survival, keeping warm, and hope to last.

But...There is a place near me that I've come to believe is the ULTIMATE ZOMBIE FORTRESS...

A few minutes down the road from me is a large castle surrounded by a moat with a drawbridge--completed with a large spiked gate. On the inside, there's a fully usable kitchen with larders and cool storing pantry space. The kitchen runs as it would have in the 15th century, with all the methods of being able to cook without the need for electricity or modern gadgets. Being a museum inside, the walls are filled with shields, swords, spears and pikes--and full body armour sets from the knights of old. There's an extensive garden inside the castle grounds which include an orchard and an apothecary garden (with all herbs labeled in detail on how to make old school medicine). There's plenty of rooms with thick sheets to battle the winters and a library full of books on agriculture, medicines and survival. The grounds surrounding the fortress are beautiful and bountiful. The fields are full of rabbits and the woods are thick with deer. There's a lake that's stocked with fish and plenty of game birds to boot. Just down the road is a University with even more rooms, plus a science lab. It's a dream home and location for any survivor in the zombie apocalypse!

...Can you tell that I've thought about this a lot?"

WILL ROBSON (OUTBREAKS, SPAWN KILLS EVERYONE, TMNT, BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND THE DEEP BLUE SEA, BATMAN URBAN LEGENDS, SPIDER-HAM)

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We want to know: What would 200 do?

Write in to us at:

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and tell us what's the first thing you'd do in the zombie apocalypse. We also want to hear what you thought of our premier issue so make sure you let us know!

That's all, folks!

See you in the next issue!

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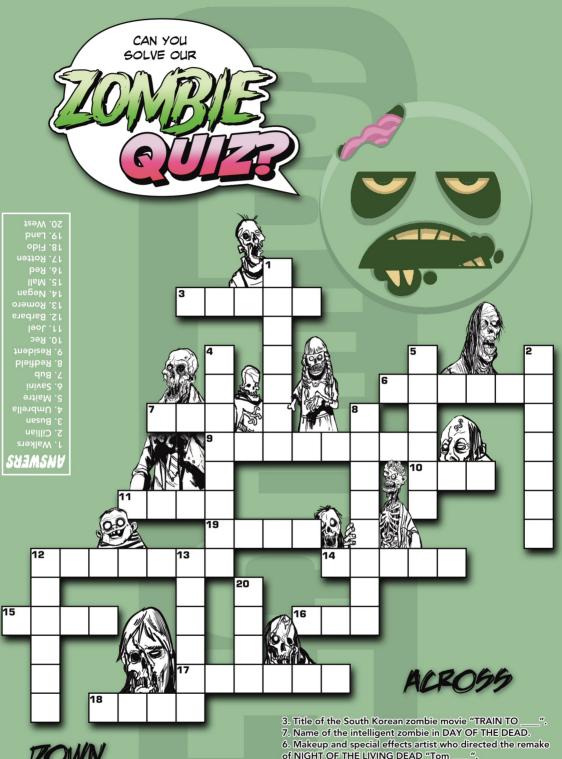


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- 1. What they call zombies in THE WALKING DEAD.
- 4. Name of the evil corporation in RESIDENT EVIL.
- 5. The host of OUTBREAKS, the "____Z".
- 2. In 28 DAYS LATER, the main character is played by actor "____ Murphy.
- 8. The last name of Chris & Claire from RESIDENT EVIL.
- 12. What the zombies crave in RETURN OF THE LIVING DEAD.
- 13. Considered the godfather of modern zombies.
- 20. Last name of the main character in the video game DEAD RISING "Frank _____".

- of NIGHT OF THE LIVING DEAD "Tom.
- 9. Name of the popular video game franchise "_ EVIL".
- 10. Title of the popular Spanish found-footage zombie movie.
- 11. The main character's name in THE LAST OF US.
- 19. Title of George A. Romero's forth zombie movie OF THE DEAD"
- 12. "They're coming to get you,
- 14. Name of the notorious villain in THE WALKING DEAD.
- 15. The main location in DAWN OF THE DEAD.
- 16. "You've got ____ on you"
- 17. The first story in OUTBREAKS is titled "____LUCK".
- 18. Billy Connolly played the titular character in this underrated zombie dark comedy from 2006.