# Code Lyoko

## Prequel: “XANA Awakens Part 1”

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##### Int. Jeremie’s Room – Night

Jeremie opens up a text document on his computer and dates it “09 Oct.”

Jeremie (narrating)

Diary of Jeremie Belpois, Kadic Academy eighth grade student, October ninth. A few weeks ago, I was hunting for parts to finish building my miniature robots. I couldn’t find anything around here I could use, so I decided to rummage for scrap in the abandoned factory, not far from the academy.

##### Ext. Bridge – Night

Jeremie continues his narration as we see him climb up onto the bridge through the manhole and run towards the factory entrance.

Jeremie (narrating)

I figured that I could find plenty of cool, old mechanical stuff left inside there that would be useful.

##### Int. Factory – Night

Jeremie looks carefully at the rope hanging in front of him before sliding down it to the ground floor.

Jeremie (narrating)

And I wasn’t disappointed! It was unbelievable!

Jeremie gets into the lift and looks both ways.

Jeremie (narrating)

I stumbled into some sort of complex, with an entire computer lab with scanners! And especially this totally intense mainframe.

Jeremie hits the lift button, looking confident in what he’s doing.

Jeremie (narrating)

For the moment, I haven’t told anyone. It’s my little secret!

##### Int. Supercomputer Room – Night

Jeremie (narrating)

It’s the coolest thing that’s ever happened to me!

The panel on the Supercomputer opens, revealing the on/off switch.

Jeremie (narrating)

And that’s not all; that night, even though I was scared stiff, I decided to start up the computer.

Jeremie unclenches his hands, staring intensely at the switch. He slowly puts his hands on it.

Jeremie

I hope I’m not gonna regret this in a minute… Ok… Go!

He pulls the switch, starting the Supercomputer up. It glows an incredible bright white, generating a wind that surprises Jeremie, messing up his hair. When it subsides, he backs away into the lift, adjusts his glasses and gives a thumbs up.

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie gets out of the lift and walks over to the chair. He stretches his arms, cracking his fingers, and starts typing on the keyboard.

Jeremie

Now, let’s see what you’ve got under the hood, my friend!

The computer starts up. Various windows open on all four screens: maps, readings, code… Then a final window opens, showing a pink-haired, virtual girl fast asleep.

Jeremie

Wow…! What’s all this?! A video game?!

Aelita wakes up and looks around, her gaze finally settling on Jeremie.

Aelita

Who…who are you? Where…where am I?

Jeremie (shocked)

Huh?!

##### Int. Science Classroom – Day

The bell rings and the students enter the classroom, carrying text books. Jeremie sits front and centre, while Ulrich sits in the second row, by the window.

Odd

Uh… Are you Ulrich Stern?

Ulrich looks up at the newcomer. Notably, Odd’s hair isn’t spiked up in the fashion we’re used to; he wears it down.

Ulrich

That depends. Who wants to know?

Odd jumps into the chair beside him.

Odd

Odd Della Robbia! His brand new roommate.

Ulrich

What?!

Odd

I’m new at the academy, and the principal told me to move in with you.

Ulrich

Uh, latch onto me sounds more like it.

Odd

Relax! I’m totally cool. Trust me, you’ll see, you won’t even know I’m there.

Ulrich

I sure hope so. Look, we don’t exactly go way back, so just for now, let’s take things nice and slow, ok?

Odd

Ok! Nice and slow.

Sissi walks up to their desk.

Sissi

Hi there, Ulrich sweetheart! I’ve got something *very* important to tell you.

Ulrich

Important like, “uh, I lost my mascara,” or, “my pink T-shirt ran?”

Sissi

No! Nothing as serious as that. It’s something about you and me, Ulrich! If you want to know more, come by my dorm tonight at eight. I’m counting on you!

Herb smiles nervously at her as she walks to the back of the room, but she takes no notice of him. He deflates slightly. Odd also watches Sissi go before turning back to Ulrich.

Odd (impressed)

Ulrich…“sweetheart?!” (wink) Who’s the good-looking babe?

Ulrich (dry)

Sissi. She’s the principal’s daughter. Guys flip over her, but she’s only flipped over me!

Odd

That’s pretty cool!

Ulrich

Cool?! She’s totally braindead, and a leech as well!

Odd

In that case, it’s pretty lame.

##### Ext. Science Building – Day

The bell rings and the students head out into the quad. Odd and Ulrich leave the building together.

Odd

And the waiter says, “I don’t have frogs’ legs, that’s just the way I walk!” (laughs) You get it?!

Ulrich stops walking and looks at Odd.

Ulrich

No. But what I *am* beginning to get is that you’re determined not to give me a break.

Odd

We’re gonna have to get to know each other. And you’ll see, by the end of the day, you won’t be able to do without me!

##### Int. Lab – Day [Alternating with Tower and Forest Sector]

Jeremie sits at the computer and starts typing.

Jeremie

Artificial Intelligence? Can you hear me?

Aelita

Yes, but…would you mind calling me something else, please?

Jeremie

Ok. How do you like the name…Maya?

Aelita

Maya? I like that! But what I’d really like is for you to tell me what I’m doing in this virtual universe!

Jeremie

That’s not so easy. But I’ve already got a couple of answers: you’re part of a virtual environment called “Ly-o-ko,” and…you’ve gotta try to get out of there.

Aelita stands up from where she’s crouched in the centre of the tower platform.

Jeremie

Look around for a door, or something like that.

Aelita looks around, but there are no obvious doors inside the tower. She walks along the top of the tower platform, up to the wall. She feels the wall, not finding anything.

Aelita

Jeremie? I can’t find anything, I…

She presses a little harder and her hands start to phase through the wall.

Aelita

Huh?!

She tests it a couple of times before walking all the way through, very surprised at her discovery. She walks out into the Forest Sector and looks around.

Aelita

Jeremie! I… This is weird. You *have* to see this.

Jeremie

I’d love to. You think you can give me a visual?

Aelita

I’ll try.

Jeremie looks startled when Aelita’s visual comes on screen, following her gaze as she looks around at the green paths, tall trees and water far below.

Jeremie

Wow!

The Holomap comes to life and Jeremie whips around in surprise.

Jeremie (awestruck)

Huh?! Maya! There isn’t just a forest out there! There’s an entire world! I count…four sectors. Each one is different!

Aelita stops walking when she spots two creatures in front of her: Kankrelats. She smiles with curiosity.

Aelita

Uh…Jeremie? I’m…not all alone out here. There are some…animals!

Jeremie (excited)

That’s fantastic! This virtual world has an entire ecosystem with virtual living creatures! Can you get closer?

As Jeremie talks, Aelita takes a few steps towards the Kankrelats. They charge their lasers and start firing. Aelita flees, lasers zooming past her as she runs.

Aelita

Jeremie! They’re attacking me!

She runs back towards the tower.

Jeremie

Run away, Maya! Get back to the tower!

Aelita gets hit in the back metres before she reaches the tower, falling face-first onto the ground.

Jeremie sees her life points go down. He reaches out and grabs at the part of the screen where her card is, as if he’s trying to help her in some way.

Jeremie (worried)

Maya! Hurry up!

Aelita gets up, Kankrelats still firing behind her. She runs the last few paces to the tower, and gets hit a second time as she passes inside. She falls to the floor, lying still.

On Jeremie’s screen, Aelita’s card stops flashing red. He relaxes.

Jeremie

Phew! Your…your life points are regenerating!

##### Int. Drink Machines – Day

Yumi orders a drink and takes it from the machine. She stirs it and walks off. Odd and Ulrich are leaning against the wall. Ulrich watches Yumi go.

Odd

You know what I was thinking? You know your girlfriend there, Sissi?

Ulrich

She’s NOT my girlfriend!

Odd crushes his cup and throws it in the bin.

Odd

Cool! So that means she’s available.

Jeremie walks inside, rubbing the back of his neck.

Ulrich

I’m telling you, she’s lame! Plus, no offence, but you’re not her type.

Jeremie puts a coin in the machine and his fingers hover over the number buttons as he makes his choice.

Odd

Oh yeah, I hear that a lot-

Jeremie presses a button and receives a powerful electric shock, making his hair stand on end and his glasses fall off his face. He cries out.

Ulrich

Belpois!

The electric shock ceases and Jeremie slumps against the machine, sliding down to the ground.

Ulrich

Huh?!

Ulrich throws his can away and runs up to him.

Ulrich

Hey! Belpois! You ok?!

Ulrich picks up the glasses and puts them back on the dazed-looking Jeremie.

Ulrich

I’ll take him to the infirmary. Tell the teacher, ok?

Odd

Mhm!

Odd runs off. Ulrich wraps Jeremie’s arm around his shoulders and picks him up, carrying him away. Once they’re all gone, tiny eyes of XANA pulse on the buttons on the drinks machine.

##### Int. Infirmary – Day

Yolande inflates a pressure cuff on Jeremie’s arm.

Yolande

Nothing too serious. Just a minor electrical shock and some superficial burns.

Ulrich

You wanted some juice, well you got some!

Ulrich walks over to the door.

Jeremie (slightly weak)

Very funny, Stern. But…thank you all the same!

Ulrich

Don’t mention it! I’ll come by to check on you tonight after my martial arts class.

##### Int. Gym – Night

Jim

How are you all?

Ulrich sits cross-legged on the floor in front of him.

Jim

I’m happy to see so many of you here tonight.

Jim points over to his left and Ulrich looks.

Jim

Kalaripayattu! Kogusoku! Jutsu.

Yumi walks up to them.

Jim

No, these are not dishes out of the Golden Dragon Chinese restaurant. (laughs) Er, no offence, Miss Ishiyama…

Yumi

None taken, Sir. I’m Japanese.

Yumi sits down next to Ulrich. Jim rubs his eyes.

Jim

Yeah, well… Whatever. Anyway, these are combat techniques that can save your life! As they did for me when I was a forest ranger in Quebec.

Ulrich

Really? What happened?

Jim (dramatic)

That night, well I was quietly enjoying a waffle with maple syrup by my campfire, when I was attacked…by a vicious *beaver*!

Ulrich smiles. Jim accompanies his story with over-the-top miming and martial arts poses.

Jim (dramatic)

Its razor-sharp teeth were going for my jugular, but I was able to save myself, thanks to my perfect mastery of the raging hand of Li Fou Chang!

Ulrich and Yumi burst out laughing.

Jim

What? What’s so funny about that?!

Yumi (laughing)

Excuse us, Sir!

Ulrich (laughing)

Honestly, I think you would’ve been better off not talking about it!

The two calm down.

Jim

Right. Ok then, enough laughing! Let’s get into groups of two!

Ulrich and Yumi stand up and walk over to where Jim’s pointing. They stand facing each other. Yumi bows, then they begin. Yumi tries a couple of kicks, which Ulrich dodges or blocks. Ulrich swipes at her and she backflips, landing elegantly and tossing her hair away from her face.

Ulrich

Hm. Pretty good, for a beginner!

Yumi

HEEYAH!

Yumi jumps up and delivers a kick to Ulrich’s face, knocking him to the ground. She lands on top of him and the two push on each other’s shoulders, growling. Suddenly, they realise how close their faces are. They stop struggling and they blush.

Jim

Not bad! But, you could both use a lot more work. That’ll do it for tonight, kids! Bow to each other now and go get some beauty sleep.

They stand up. Yumi bows, but Ulrich just turns and leaves. Yumi looks taken aback.

Yumi (dry)

Well nice to meet you, too…

##### Int. Odd and Ulrich’s Room – Night

Ulrich opens the door to go inside, but jumps back when he looks into the room, dropping his bag on the floor.

Ulrich

Huh?!

Ulrich’s closet has been opened and his things strewn all over the floor: books, CDs, clothes…and Jeremie’s shoes? Kiwi is on his bed, trying to get under the covers.

Ulrich (annoyed)

What is with this mess?! Where did that mutt come from?

Odd sits up on his bed.

Odd

Uh…t-that’s Kiwi, my dog. He just had a little fit, that’s all. You’ll understand!

Kiwi gets under the covers.

Odd

The poor thing’s not used to being cooped up!

Ulrich takes a few steps inside, arms out wide as he gestures to the mess.

Ulrich (furious)

I mean, look at this! My CDs, my clothes! He’s trashed everything! And…and he… Daugh! Did you see what he did in my bed?!

Odd gets up and walks over to Ulrich’s bed, grimacing when he sees what Ulrich is referring to.

Odd

Sorry, but I couldn’t take him out with everyone around! There are no dogs allowed at Kadic.

Ulrich

No kidding! I think the principal’s going to be interested in hearing about this!

He slams the door. Kiwi tears Ulrich’s pillow open, sending feathers flying everywhere.

Odd

That’s ok, Kiwi. My little diggity dog!

##### Int. Jeremie’s Room – Day

Jeremie is working on something on his computer. A robot sits beside the keyboard on the desk. Suddenly, the computer screen goes black.

Jeremie

Hm? What’s going on? Hey!

The screen turns to static, then the eye of XANA appears on it.

Jeremie

I’ve seen that logo before…!

The robot on the desk starts whirring and Jeremie looks over in surprise. The eye of XANA appears on its “eye.” Jeremie screams. Ulrich hears the screaming from the hallway.

Jeremie

HEEEELP!

Ulrich bursts in, looking around. He finds Jeremie with one of the robots stuck to his leg, electricity crackling around the area where it’s attached. Jeremie kicks and kicks, but it doesn’t detach. He grabs it to try and pull it off.

Ulrich

Hang on!

A second robot runs up Jeremie’s body and onto his head. Ulrich tries to pry it off, and it takes some effort before it comes. A third robot drives up and attaches to Ulrich’s leg.

Ulrich

Hey!

He kicks his leg to try and shake it off. It doesn’t work, so he holds up his leg and smacks the robot away. It hits the wall where the poster of Einstein is. The eye of XANA disappears from Jeremie’s screen and the robots all stop. The boys look at them in stupor.

Ulrich

Your little friends are kind of aggressive! Maybe you should check their settings!

Jeremie picks up his overturned chair.

Jeremie

I had nothing to do with it! They just attacked me all of a sudden!

Ulrich

You lost me. Do you mind explaining?

Jeremie

No…forget it.

Ulrich

Come on, tell me! Maybe I can be of some help! What if you…suddenly get attacked by a hairdryer, and I’m not around?

Jeremie

Ha. Very funny.

Ulrich sits in the computer chair, folding his arms.

Ulrich

I’m not leaving this room until I know what’s up.

Jeremie leans back on the desk, thinking. After a long moment of silence, he speaks.

Jeremie

Ok. What have I got to lose? I’m already in over my head, so I might as well tell ya. This is so crazy…!

He walks over to the door and closes it.

Jeremie

First, tell me if you can keep a secret.

##### Ext. Bridge – Night

Ulrich and Jeremie walk across from the manhole.

Ulrich

That tunnel in the gym is a great way to beat curfew!

Jeremie

Yeah. And there’s another one on the campus as well.

##### Int. Factory – Night

They walk over to the rope. Jeremie slides down it while Ulrich watches. Jeremie calls up when he sees Ulrich hasn’t moved.

Jeremie

What’s the matter? Scared of heights?

Ulrich

Uh…no…

Ulrich grips the rope fearfully and slides down.

##### Int. Lab – Night

The boys walk over to the terminal.

Ulrich

Ok, so that’s the megacomputer you started up?

Jeremie

Uh-huh! It’s actually a *super*computer. It’s *ultra* powerful! And while I was examining it, I found out that it runs a virtual universe called Lyoko!

Ulrich

You know what, Belpois? This morning’s electric shock fried your brain. This thing’s just the control centre of the factory, that’s all!

Jeremie types. Aelita’s window opens up.

Jeremie

Oh yeah? And what would you call this, huh? A program for spray-painting doors?

Aelita

Hello, Jeremie!

Ulrich

Who’s the girl with the pink hair?

Jeremie

That’s Maya, a form of artificial intelligence who lives on Lyoko. I don’t know what she’s there for yet.

Ulrich

Don’t mess with me. You programmed her, right?

Aelita

No! I woke up the moment that Jeremie restarted the Supercomputer. I don’t know who I am. My memory has been erased.

Jeremie

Maya has to hide in some kind of a tower. As soon as she leaves it, she gets attacked by monsters! You’ve gotta believe me, Stern. This is an incredible discovery!

Ulrich

Let’s say it is. What if…what if it’s just some kind of giant video game?

Jeremie

Then it’s a very dangerous game. My robots are programmed just to go and fetch a ball, and they just tried to kill me, don’t forget. You saw them!

Ulrich sits in the chair, spinning around in it occasionally.

Jeremie

What’s more, the moment they attacked, a kind of logo appeared on my computer screen. The same one that the monsters had on Lyoko!

Ulrich

Better and better! Do you mean, then, that…that the virtual thing that attacked Maya also wants to kill you?

Jeremie

That’s what it looks like.

Ulrich

You know what? If that’s true, Belpois, if it’s that dangerous, I think you should shut it down and call the police.

Jeremie and Aelita both look sad.

Jeremie (sad)

Ok…but first, I want to help Maya to understand what she’s doing on Lyoko.

Ulrich

Say what?

Jeremie

I really do! And if I’m right, we can materialise her right here on Earth!

Ulrich

Oh, that’s too much. What makes you think you can?

Jeremie

You’ll see, Stern.

##### Int. Sissi’s Room – Night

Sissi stands in her room in her underwear and a face mask, clothes strewn all over the floor. She holds a pink dress up against her body.

Sissi

This one is absolutely perfect! Tonight, my dear Ulrich, you’re all mine!

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Jeremie leads the way into the scanner room. One of the scanners is open.

Ulrich

What’s all this?

Jeremie walks into the open scanner.

Jeremie

Scanners. I still haven’t found the program that can bring Maya back to Earth, but I dug up the one which allows someone to be scanned and sent to Lyoko.

Ulrich looks at the cables at the back of the scanner, then walks around to the front, running his hand along the metal.

Jeremie

In fact, the Supercomputer analyses your molecular structure through these cabins. And then breaks down your atoms before digitalising them, and recreating a digital incarnation in the virtual world!

Ulrich scratches behind his ear.

Ulrich

In English?

Jeremie

You go inside the cabin; you’re teleported to the virtual world.

Ulrich taps on the scanner.

Ulrich

Jeremie, these things don’t exist yet! There’s no way!

Ulrich shakes his head. Jeremie folds his arms, frowning.

Jeremie

You still don’t want to believe me…!

Ulrich

I would love to! But virtualisation is straight out of science fiction!

Jeremie sits on the floor of the scanner, thinking.

Jeremie

Why don’t we try it out? (stands) That way, you can see for yourself. But we’re gonna need a guinea-pig…

Ulrich

A guinea-pig? No problem!

##### Int. Odd and Ulrich’s Room – Night

Odd is fast asleep on his bed, snoring. Kiwi is at the foot of the bed. Ulrich walks up.

Ulrich (quiet)

Well, I’ve got a surprise for you, doggy. You’re gonna be virtualised!

##### Int. Sissi’s Room – Night

Sissi’s clock reads 8:10; she was expecting Ulrich at eight. She’s now wearing the pink dress and has her hair in an up-do. She growls, taking out her phone.

##### Int. Odd and Ulrich’s Room – Night

Ulrich is picking Kiwi up to smuggle him out of the room when his phone rings. Kiwi tries to bark but Ulrich holds his mouth shut – however, the phone ringing in Ulrich’s pocket and Kiwi’s muffled barks still manage to wake Odd just as Ulrich’s getting out the door.

Odd

Hey!

Odd runs after them.

##### Int. Sissi’s Room – Night

Sissi holds her phone to her ear, frowning, and there’s no answer. She closes her phone and stands up, annoyed.

##### Int. Dormitory Hallway – Night

Sissi marches along the hallway determinedly. When she’s about to go around the corner, Ulrich sprints around it, carrying Kiwi. Sissi stops and turns around to look in surprise. Odd then comes out from behind the corner, crashing straight into Sissi and tackling her to the floor. They stay there for a moment, recovering from the shock, then they both run down the stairs after Ulrich.

Odd

Hey! Ulrich, come back!

Sissi

Wait up!

##### Ext. Gym – Night

Ulrich runs inside the gym.

##### Int. Gym Boiler Room – Night

Odd and Sissi burst into the room. Odd opens the other door: the only way Ulrich could’ve gone. They see Ulrich disappearing down the tunnel.

Sissi

Where’s he going? I’m sure there’s another girl behind all this.

Odd

No, look… It’s not a girl. It’s Kiwi, my dog.

Sissi seems to faint.

##### Int. Lift – Night

Ulrich leans against the wall of the lift, catching his breath. He hits the button and the door closes. The lift descends just as Odd and Sissi reach its station.

##### Int. Factory – Night

Odd

But why is he taking Kiwi into this factory?

Sissi

Who knows? Maybe he wants to use him for some horrible science experiment!

Odd

You watch too many horror movies.

Sissi

Yeah, you’re right. That was pretty dumb. It’s probably more like some sort of ritual sacrifice or voodoo thing!

Odd sighs.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Kiwi sits in one of the scanners, panting.

Ulrich

Nice puppy… Don’t move!

The dog watches Ulrich climbs up the ladder towards the lab.

##### Int. Lift Shaft – Night

Odd and Sissi climb down the ladder.

##### Int. Lab – Night

Ulrich reaches the top of the ladder. Jeremie looks up from the manual he’s reading.

Ulrich

Everything’s cool, Jeremie! The mutt is in the scanner.

Jeremie’s hands hover over the keyboard.

Jeremie

Ok, let’s see how it goes… It’s not going to be a piece of cake.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Odd jumps down through the lift trapdoor, landing in a crouch. Sissi follows, dangling her legs awkwardly before falling and landing not so gracefully. They walk into the room.

Odd

Those things look like coffins…!

Sissi

You’re right! Maybe it’s the tomb of an Egyptian pharaoh, huh?!

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie is typing.

Jeremie

Right. We’re all set. I’m starting up the procedure.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Odd walks over and finds Kiwi in one of the scanners.

Odd

Kiwi!

He steps into the scanner, picking Kiwi up and holding him up with joy.

Odd

Are you ok, boy? (giggles)

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie hits enter.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Kiwi struggles and leaps out of Odd’s arms as the scanner whirs to life.

Odd

Hey!

The doors close on him. Kiwi turns around and starts digging at the base of the scanner, trying to free his owner.

Sissi (panicked)

Oh no! You’re gonna be mummified!

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie

Transfer…guinea-pig. Scanner, guinea-pig.

Jeremie looks at the keyboard and manual as Odd’s avatar loads up on screen. He looks up when the computer starts beeping.

Jeremie

Huh? Uh…wait! That’s a weird-looking dog…!

Ulrich

That’s no dog! That’s Odd Della Robbia!

Jeremie (panicked)

Uh…! I don’t know how to stop the procedure!

Sissi (off)

HEEEEELP!

Ulrich runs over to the ladder and climbs down.

Ulrich

Man…

##### Forest Sector, Lyoko

Odd is virtualised. He lands flat on his face.

Odd

Ouch!

He shakes his head and looks up at his surroundings.

Odd (confused, mystified)

What’s going on around here? Where am I…?

As he stands up he looks around at the tops of the trees, down to the path he’s standing on…and finally, to his hands.

Odd

Huh?!

He notices his tail as well, grabbing it and pulling it around to have a better look.

Odd (confused)

And why am I dressed up like a giant purple cat?!

He tosses his tail back behind him. He bends down and looks between his legs, watching his tail swing back and forth.

Jeremie

Uh… Odd Della Robbia?

Odd

Uh?! (straightens up) W-who’s calling me?!

Odd looks around, but there’s nobody else in sight. Jeremie’s voice seems to be coming from the sky.

Jeremie

It’s me, Jeremie Belpois.

Odd

Is this a joke or something?!

Jeremie

Uh…no.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Ulrich lands at the bottom of the ladder.

Ulrich

Sissi?!

Sissi

Oh! Ulrich!

Jeremie

Ulrich, it’s ok. Odd is safe and sound on Lyoko!

##### Forest Sector, Lyoko [Alternating with Lab]

Odd

Am I…in a video game? It looks like the set for Babylon Ninja Fighters 3!

Jeremie

Actually, I don’t really know! It’s a virtual world, that much I’m sure of.

Odd keeps looking around, smiling.

Odd

Cool!

He’s suddenly shot in the back by a laser. He turns around, rubbing his sore back, to find the two Kankrelats from before. They draw nearer to him, lasers at the ready.

Odd

Uh, that’s a lot less cool. Er, there are these giant cockroaches attacking me. Is that normal?

Jeremie

Yeah…

Odd

Oh! Nothing to worry about, then.

Jeremie

That’s…not what I meant. You gotta get out of there.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Jeremie

Ulrich! Della Robbia’s in danger.

Sissi

Oh…!

Jeremie

And I need time to devirtualise him. I-I don’t know what to do!

Ulrich

He needs help. Do you think you can send Sissi and me to Lyoko?

Sissi looks at Ulrich, fearful.

Jeremie

Well…I can always try!

Sissi

What? Send us where, Ulrich?!

Ulrich

To a virtual world where weird monsters want to massacre you. You wanted to go out with me, now’s your chance.

Sissi waves her hand dismissively while Ulrich sticks out his bottom lip.

Sissi

No thanks, uh… I prefer real worlds, I’m not into the other kind.

Ulrich gets into a scanner.

Sissi

Plus, I couldn’t possibly miss cheerleading practice tomorrow morning!

Ulrich

See ya, chicken. Jeremie, I’m ready to go.

Jeremie

Ok. I’m starting the procedure.

The scanner whirs and the doors close.

Jeremie

Transfer, Ulrich.

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie

Scanner, Ulrich!

Electricity starts to course across a set of cables by the wall.

Jeremie

Virtualisation!

##### Forest Sector, Lyoko [Alternating with Lab]

Odd runs along the path, slowing to a stop when Jeremie speaks.

Jeremie

Odd! Hang in there! Ulrich Stern is on his way to give you a hand!

Odd

Great! I was starting to get bored here all alone.

Ulrich is virtualised. Odd flinches as he lands with a thump.

Odd

Whoa!

Ulrich

Ouch! Oh…

Odd smiles. Ulrich picks himself up, shaking his head. He first looks around, then down at his outfit. When he discovers his sabre he unsheathes it, brandishing it happily.

Ulrich

Wow! This sword rocks!

He slashes the air around him, then stops when he notices Odd standing in front of him.

Odd

Hey, that’s not fair. How come he gets to be a samurai? That’s so much cooler!

In the lab, the electricity around the cables crackles loudly. Jeremie takes no notice.

Jeremie

I have no idea why. Maybe the computer just reads into your own subconscious desires, and projects them onto your digital incarnation!

Odd

I don’t dream about giant purple cats! What’s more, I’d rather have a weapon like Ulrich!

He holds his hands up and looks at them in turn.

Odd

Not these great big, useless paws!

He flicks one of his wrists as he lowers his hands, and a laser arrow is fired from it. The arrow flies towards Ulrich’s face, and he just barely moves out of the way in time. It almost scrapes his cheek.

Ulrich

Hey, watch out!

Odd looks at his hands again, a small smile on his face.

Odd

Hm… These arrows *are* pretty cool! I take back what I said.

##### Int. Lab – Night

The lift door opens and Kiwi walks out. Sissi stands there, eyes wide, and gasps at what she sees.

Sissi

Wow!

Jeremie

Try to hook up with Maya in her tower. Hold on, I’ll give you the co-ordinates.

Sissi

Who’s this Maya?! And what is *that* thing?

Jeremie

It’s…it’s the mainframe of a supercomputer!

The screen suddenly turns to static and the eye of XANA appears. The cables in the corner come to life. Kiwi barks at them before being knocked backwards when they burst through the floor. Sissi screams. The cables sway about in the air, electricity crackling at their unplugged ends. Jeremie and Sissi watch with fright.

##### Forest Sector, Lyoko

Odd and Ulrich walk along the path together.

Odd

Who’s this Maya?

Ulrich

A virtual girl who lives on Lyoko.

Odd

Oh, you mean there are babes here too? Great!

Ulrich

Yes, but I get the impression that Belpois’ flipped for her.

Odd

For a virtual chick? Is he nuts?

Ulrich

Kinda. Jeremie, are you going to give us those co-ordinates or not?

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie hides behind the chair, using it to shield himself from a bolt of electricity thrown by the cables.

Ulrich

Jeremie? Are you asleep, or what?!

Kiwi barks. Sissi is inside the lift, using one leg to try and urge Kiwi to attack.

Sissi

Sic ‘em, I said! Sic ‘em, you dumb mutt!

There’s a bright flash as more electricity flies, and Jeremie screams. Kiwi runs behind Sissi’s legs.

##### Forest Sector, Lyoko

Odd looks off to one side and points.

Odd

Huh? Look, I see a tower! It could be that one.

There’s a tower not far away from them. They run up to it and stop at its base.

Odd

Is there a door?

Odd places one hand on the side of the tower and leans on it – he falls inside, flailing his other arm and yelling out in surprise.

##### Tower, Forest Sector, Lyoko

Odd falls into the tower just beside the platform, grabbing onto the edge of the platform to stop his fall. He starts to pull himself up when Ulrich follows him inside, grabbing onto Odd’s leg and pulling him down. Odd’s claws scrape across the top of the platform, but there’s nothing to dig into to stop him from slowly slipping.

Odd

I can’t hold on for much longer! You’re too heavy! Drop your sabre!

Ulrich

Nice try, but forget it.

Odd loses his grip and the two of them fall into the darkness below, screaming.

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

Odd and Ulrich exit the tower into the Ice. They look around at their new surroundings. There’s a tower a way in front of them, and it has a red halo.

Odd

Ok, right. Where are we? Where did the forest go?

Ulrich

How should I know? But you see the tower over there? Weird how it’s not the same colour.

They look at the red tower. Odd spots something off to their right.

Odd

And those creatures! They’re kinda weird, too!

Three Bloks slowly approach them from afar. One of them spins around and charges its laser.

Ulrich

Uh, might be a good thing to beat it, don’t you think?

Odd

Mhm! Ok.

The monsters start firing at them and they run in the opposite direction.

##### Int. Lab – Day

Sissi cowers at the back of the lift, using the terrified Kiwi to shield her face. There are tears in her eyes. Jeremie gets thrown to the ground next to a sheet of metal, which he picks up before he’s dragged into the air again by the cables. He puts the metal between himself and a cable, but since metal conducts electricity, it doesn’t do anything to protect him.

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

The three Bloks surround Odd and Ulrich. They stand back to back in the middle, Odd crouching and Ulrich with his sabre drawn. One of the Bloks charges and fires, and Ulrich skilfully deflects the laser with his sabre, turning to the other monsters and flipping his weapon around in his hands. Odd raises one hand towards the Blok that fired, but doesn’t shoot. A second Blok fires an ice beam and Ulrich jumps out of the way. One of the monsters fires at Odd’s exposed back, but Ulrich (inadvertently) Supersprints over and deflects the lasers.

Odd

Wow!

The Bloks draw closer. Ulrich deflects lasers from two of them, and Odd accidentally brings up his shield to block the other. Ulrich then Supersprints and jumps on top of one of the Bloks, attacking the top of it with his sabre. It has no effect, so Ulrich jumps back to Odd. He protects Odd from another laser by deflecting it.

Ulrich

So how do you kill these things?

Odd aims his glove at one of the monsters, but again, doesn’t fire any arrows. He clearly still doesn’t have them figured out just yet.

Odd

I wish I knew! Hey, you wouldn’t know how many life points we have?

Ulrich

No!

Ulrich deflects a few more lasers, then Odd gets hit and devirtualises. Ulrich Supersprints at one of the monsters, stabbing his sabre into its eye. The monster explodes. Ulrich pumps his fist.

Ulrich

Yes!

He gets shot by the other Bloks and devirtualises.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Night

Ulrich appears in the scanner, crouching. He rubs the back of his neck.

Ulrich

Great, at least we’re alive!

Odd is on the floor outside another scanner, shaking.

Odd

Uh…alive? Well, if you say so. I think I’m about to throw up!

Sissi (off, distraught)

HEEEL-HELP US!

##### Int. Lab – Day

Sissi cries as she watches what’s happening to Jeremie. He’s being held up by the mass of cables while a single cable dances threateningly in front of him. Ulrich and Odd climb up the ladder from the scanner room.

Odd

Uh-oh.

Sissi (distraught)

ULRIIIIICH!

Ulrich

Hang in there, Jeremie!

Ulrich grabs a scrap of metal from the floor and hacks at the single, separate cable. He doesn’t manage to cut all the way through, and the electricity travels through the piece of metal and into Ulrich. He screams and falls to the floor. The cable hovers above him and then moves in to strike, but suddenly stops right before it gets him.

Odd

It works the second time!

Odd has a piece of metal partway through the cable, and isn’t getting zapped by it.

Odd

I told you that by the end of the day, you wouldn’t be able to do without me!

He pulls on the piece of metal, severing the cable. It drops to the floor in front of Ulrich, dead. The cables holding Jeremie up in the air descend to the floor, lowering the boy with them. Sissi looks up when she notices the noises have stopped, and walks into the lab. Ulrich tends to Jeremie on the floor while Odd seems to be holding Kiwi and looking at the destruction.

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie sits at the computer.

Jeremie

Maya? Are you there?

Aelita

Yes. Is everything ok on your side?

Jeremie

Well…we’re a little shaken up, but it could’ve been worse!

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

The activated tower remains.