# Code Lyoko

## Episode 26: “False Start”

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The episode begins with a series of quick scenes establishing what happened in the previous episode.

##### Int. Jeremie’s Room – Day

Aelita

Tell me what the good news is. I can’t wait!

Jeremie

We’re waiting for you here!

##### Int. Dormitory Hallway – Day

Jim boasts to the principal.

Jim

I don’t know what those kids are hiding, Sir, but I intend to find out!

##### Int. Infirmary – Day

Jeremie lies on the bed, a bandage around his left leg.

Jeremie

Me and my friends…we *do* have a secret.

##### Int. Dormitory Hallway – Day

Delmas prods a sullen Jim in the chest.

Delmas

Your paranoia is beginning to get on my nerves!

##### Ext. Park – Day

Jim peeks out from behind trees and bushes.

##### Int. Infirmary – Day

Delmas walks away from a stunned Jim.

Delmas

I’m sorry, Jim, but I’m going to have to let you go.

##### Int. Infirmary – Day

Jeremie

Look, Jim, if you help me, I’ll tell the principal everything.

He and Jim shake hands.

Jim

Shake on it.

##### Int. Lab – Day

Aelita

I’m ready for the big jump, Jeremie!

Jeremie inserts a CD.

Jeremie

Ok, Aelita. I’m launching the program for your materialisation. Code: Earth.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Day

The gang (plus Jim) watch with anticipation as the scanner opens, revealing Aelita.

The scene now set, the episode begins.

##### Int. Classroom – Day

The bell rings and the students file into the classroom. Aelita is with Jeremie, Odd and Ulrich.

Fumey

Come on! Let’s go.

Jeremie

Hey, relax, Aelita! Don’t worry, it’s just a history class.

Aelita

I’d feel a lot better if it were a class on computers! I don’t know anything about history!

Ulrich puts his hand on her shoulder.

Ulrich

That’s just it: you’re here to learn! If it were a computer class, *you* could be the teacher!

Sissi frowns at the group.

Fumey

Take your seats so we can begin.

Nicolas and Herb look dreamily over at Aelita. Sissi humphs.

Sissi

Just who does that new girl think she is?!

Aelita and Odd sit next to each other, Jeremie and Ulrich at the desk behind them.

Sissi

All she cares about is having boys around her!

Nicolas

Actually, I think she looks worried!

Sissi

Obviously, Nicolas, you don’t know the first thing about girls. Huh! Acting frail and helpless will work every time! Boys love that. It’s the best way to attract them!

Nicolas and Herb look at her, surprised.

Fumey

We have a new student in our class! I’ll let her introduce herself.

Everyone turns to look at Aelita. Sissi looks smug.

Aelita

Um, my uh… I uh…

Odd

(stands up) Aelita’s her name. And she’s my cousin. She’s very shy. (sits down)

Fumey

Hm! Well, Aelita, let me welcome you to Kadic Junior High. We all hope that you’re going to like it here very much.

##### Ext. Quad – Day

The four of them come over to a bench. Aelita sits down, Odd sits on the back of the bench and Ulrich stands, resting his foot on the seat. Jeremie comes to sit next to Aelita.

Jeremie

You see? Everything’s cool! There was no reason to worry!

Aelita

I guess not. And besides, I really like history! But you’ve got to admit…you fight a lot here. There are wars all the time!

The boys look at her sheepishly. Yumi walks up to them.

Yumi

Hey, guys! Well how’s our new Earthling doing?

Aelita

Oh, heh! I’m fine! I’m trying to adapt to so many new sensations! Like the air that you breathe here, all the colours and the smells…but I’m fine.

Jeremie

(stands up) It’s about time we deactivated the Supercomputer, don’t you think?

Ulrich

Well I wouldn’t wait for XANA to send us an invitation!

Odd

And who feels like going back to Lyoko now that Aelita’s here with us?

Aelita

You’ll think this is silly, but…it scares me a little. Lyoko, after all, *was* my home. And I’m not really sure what effect destroying it might have for me.

Odd, Ulrich and Yumi look at her in concern.

Jeremie

There’s nothing to worry about! I’m sure!

Aelita smiles. Jeremie takes her hand and she stands up. He pats her hand.

Jeremie

Come on.

They walk off together, holding hands.

##### Int. Factory – Day

Jim is fast asleep, a Sumo magazine still in his hands. He’s snoring loudly. He’s set up with basic living accommodations under the gallery level, with a deck chair to sleep on, a table and some crates, and basic cooking equipment. The five friends slide down the ropes in front of him.

Ulrich

Hi, Jim!

Jim is startled awake, dropping the magazine.

Ulrich

Well, did you have a good sleep?

Jim

Oh! Oh, yeah. Great. A-and I really appreciate everything you’ve done for me. But I was getting a little bored, I have to admit!

He walks up to them.

Odd

How’d you like to watch us deactivate XANA?

Jim

(nods) Ah, I wouldn’t miss that for the world! (finger guns at Jeremie) You haven’t forgotten your promise, Jeremie?

Jeremie

I haven’t Jim. As soon as XANA’s deactivated, I’ll tell the whole story to the principal, and you’ll get your job back!

Jeremie leads the way to the lift.

Jim

That’s great! I can’t wait ‘til all this is settled. I honestly never imagined that I would miss being your PE teacher so much!

##### Int. Lift – Day

Jim

Uh, from now on, call me Jimbo, huh?

Jeremie

Thanks! So are you ready to go, Jimbo?

Jeremie hits the button and the door closes.

##### Int. Supercomputer Room – Day

The lift arrives and the door opens. The room is dark.

Jeremie

Here we are…

The Supercomputer begins to rise from its chamber on the floor, filling the room with light. Water spills down its sides. Aelita takes a step back.

Jeremie

Are you ok, Aelita?

Aelita looks nervous. Jeremie puts his hand on her shoulder.

Jeremie

If you want to wait a day or two…

Aelita

…no. The sooner the better.

Jeremie

(smiles) Ok. I think you should have the honour.

Aelita

No!

Ulrich, Yumi and Odd look over at her.

Aelita

I uh…I’d rather you did it.

Jeremie

Sure, Aelita.

Jeremie walks up to the machine. A panel with the eye of XANA on it opens, revealing a switch. Aelita takes another step back, sweating and sounding panicked. Jeremie places his hand on the switch.

Jeremie

XANA, you gave us a lot of grief. But thanks to you, we met Aelita.

Aelita shakes.

Jeremie

So goodbye, and good riddance!

Jeremie pulls the switch. The Supercomputer powers down. Aelita wobbles and grabs her head, collapsing to the floor. Jim and Ulrich catch her, lowering her down gently.

Yumi (worried)

Aelita…! Put the power back on! Aelita’s not well! Hurry up!

Jeremie pushes the switch again. The Supercomputer starts up, and the switch panel is hidden behind the eye of XANA again. Jim picks Aelita up.

Jeremie (concerned)

What’s wrong with her?!

Odd

Let’s hope XANA doesn’t rear his ugly head!

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

A tower activates.

##### Int. Factory – Night

Insects buzz around Jim’s lantern. Aelita lies unconscious on his chair and Jim checks her pulse. He and Jeremie sit on the end of the chair.

Jim

Her pulse seems back to normal again!

Aelita wakes.

Aelita (weak)

I don’t know…what happened. I…

Jeremie

You fainted, Aelita! It’s a little bit like sleeping. A really deep sleep.

Aelita

(smiles) Oh, I like the way it felt!

Jim

Maybe you did…but you passed out, and that’s not normal.

Jeremie

I modified the scanner’s program while you slept. Do you mind if I examine you?

Aelita

No! (smiles)

##### Int. Lab – Night

Jeremie

Launching program!

Aelita is scanned.

Jeremie

Data recovery!

Aelita’s virtual avatar is scanned in. Jim watches the process, completely lost.

Jim

Don’t tell me you really understand all that!

Jeremie

It’s not very complicated! We’re ready to begin the analysis. Uh, that’s fine, Aelita. You can come back now. Ok, let’s try to see what the trouble is…

Jeremie gets to work while Aelita gets out of the lift and walks up to them. Jeremie growls.

Jeremie

That’s just what I was afraid of!

Aelita

It looks like XANA infected me with a virus!

Jim leans in close to the screen, inspecting it.

Jeremie

That’s it!

Jim looks at him blankly. Jeremie gets up and walks a few paces from the terminal.

Jeremie

He must have done it during the transfer!

Beat.

Jeremie

There was a sudden drop in the voltage for a very short time.

Flashback to Aelita’s materialisation inside the tower.

Aelita

I remember that! Because I had a strange feeling at that moment. For a few seconds, I felt XANA’s presence, as if he was trying to hold me back!

Jeremie paces.

Jeremie

And that’s probably the reason why you fainted a while ago! XANA implanted a virus inside you because he wanted you to be linked to him, and if we kill XANA…!

Aelita

Then I get destroyed as well.

Jeremie turns around to look at her before slowly walking back to his seat.

Jim

Uh…is there anything we can do?

Jeremie

Yeah, try to find an antivirus! But it could take a long time…! (types) I’m starting up an analysis program. The computer will work autonomously on it until tomorrow morning.

A loading bar appears on screen, slowly filling up. Jeremie turns to Aelita.

Jeremie

I’ll take you back to Yumi’s. It’s kinda late.

Aelita smiles and nods. Jim also smiles, recognising the relationship between the two teens.

##### Ext. Riverbank – Night

Jeremie and Aelita are walking together. Aelita suddenly hugs herself.

Aelita

What a strange sensation…

Jeremie

You shivered! That’s all. It’s a reaction you get on account of the cold.

Aelita

I like the feeling of being a little chilly. And the sounds and the smells are all different at night!

Jeremie

Yeah… It’s quiet and peaceful, and the plants, they breathe differently.

##### Ext. Town – Night

Jeremie picks a pink flower from a planter as he walks past, offering it to Aelita.

Jeremie

Here! Smell this!

Aelita takes the flower and sniffs it, closing her eyes and smiling at what she finds. Jeremie smiles at her.

Aelita (breathless)

Wow…! It’s wonderful to be alive!

Jeremie and Aelita hold hands beneath the full moon.

Aelita

And it’s thanks to you that I’m here!

Jeremie

(smiles stupidly) Well, I uh…I… (blushes) I didn’t uh…do it alone! Heh…

Jeremie rubs the back of his head, embarrassed. Aelita pulls him along the street, running.

##### Ext. Town – Night

Jeremie and Aelita walk hand in hand. Aelita suddenly stops and points to something.

Aelita

What’s that? A scanner?

It’s a photo booth.

Jeremie

No, not exactly! Follow me!

He runs over to it, Aelita in tow. They laugh and get inside. The camera flashes several times. The two kids take increasingly silly photos, laughing all the time.

##### Ext. Ishiyama House – Night

Jeremie bows and gestures to the open gate.

Jeremie

Well, your castle awaits you, Princess.

Aelita

Thanks for walking me back. In spite of the virus, I still had the most wonderful night of my life. Goodnight.

She cups one of his cheeks and kisses the other. Jeremie freezes up. Aelita runs into the house and Jeremie relaxes, looking dreamy. Aelita goes inside.

Aelita

See you tomorrow!

She closes the door. Jeremie exhales.

Jeremie

Aelita’s…! Wow…!

He whistles as he walks away.

##### Ext. Science Building – Day

Ulrich, Jeremie and Odd hang around the staircase opposite the science building.

Ulrich

So, do you have any idea how to get rid of this miserable virus?

Jeremie

No, not yet. I hope the calculations my computer made will help me.

Odd

Here come the girls.

They walk over to meet Yumi and Aelita.

Ulrich

Well, how was your first night on Earth?

The bell rings. Aelita stretches.

Aelita

Sleeping is really wonderful!

Yumi

She would’ve slept all day if I hadn’t shaken her a little!

They all laugh.

Odd

You’re just like me, Aelita! And you’ll see: sleeping in class isn’t too bad, either!

##### Int. Scanner Room – Day

A scanner opens and steam pours out.

##### Int. Factory – Day

A bang wakes Jim from his sleep.

Jim

Huh?! WHAT’S GOING ON?!

##### Int. Science Classroom – Day

The man from the power plant is teaching today’s class.

Delacre

Who can give us the definition of a pair of prime numbers? Hm? Ah, Sissi?

Sissi

Uh…mm…well…! Uh…uh…a pair of prime numbers is uuumm…two numbers that are both the same!

Everyone laughs.

Delacre

Thank you, Sissi. Well, can one of you give us a less harebrained answer? Aelita?

Aelita

A pair of prime numbers occurs when their highest common denominator is one!

Delacre smiles and turns around to write something on the board.

Delacre

Very good. Although…

Aelita

In a principal ring, it’s equivalent to the fact that their direct sum is equal to one, but of course, with a non-principal factorial ring, that is not the case.

Delacre’s chalk slides down the board as he’s stunned by her answer. He turns to look at her. The other students also look at her, open-mouthed.

Aelita

That is…

Jeremie laughs.

Aelita

…according to the theory of Bézout, you see…

Delacre

Bézout…?

A student screams outside in the hallway, and the students start chattering, some standing up. Delacre walks over to the door.

Delacre

Calm down, children!

He sticks his head out the door. Pierre bursts through the doors at the end of the hallway, screaming.

Pierre

RUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUN!

Ulrich, Odd, Jeremie, Aelita, Sissi, Herb and Nicolas all look out the door too. Once Pierre is gone, they look back to the doors he came from. A Kankrelat scuttles along the hallway towards them.

Ulrich

Get back!

Ulrich shoulders everyone back into the classroom and shuts the door.

Odd

Take cover!

All the other students and the teacher run to the back of the classroom, screaming with fear, leaving just the gang up the front.

Jeremie

XANA’s changed tactics! He’s sent one of his monsters to Earth for the first time! How did he manage that…?

Odd

Who cares?! The problem is, how do you suggest getting rid of him?

Ulrich

Like we always do! We fight them! You three head for Lyoko and deactivate the tower. Yumi and I will stay here and defend the home front.

He dials a number and puts his phone to his ear.

Aelita

Oh, no… That’s crazy, Ulrich…!

Ulrich

You know very well that if there’s a victim, that going back in time won’t bring them back to life. (into phone) Yumi? Yeah, we already know. We’ve gotta find weapons! Ok, I’ll meet you outside of the maths class.

Ulrich hangs up. Jeremie looks worriedly at the students huddled in the back corner of the room.

Jeremie

Well, let’s go, guys.

##### Int. Science Building Hallway – Day

They walk out of the classroom to find the hallway damaged in places. Tristan runs past them, screaming. A Kankrelat walks out in front of the gang and turns to look at them.

Ulrich

I’ll handle him. Get going!

The other three run off while Ulrich faces the Kankrelat, taking a fighting pose.

Ulrich

Let’s see how good you are.

He runs straight at the monster while it charges its laser. He jumps out of the way when it fires and leaps over the Kankrelat, running down the hallway. It fires again as he reaches the stairs, hitting him in the shoulder blade and causing him to grip the railing with both hands for support as he climbs down.

##### Int. Science Building – Day

Odd, Jeremie and Aelita hide out of sight, watching a squad of Kankrelats pass by the door.

Odd

A few more seconds, and the coast’ll be clear.

Odd signals to the other two and moves to the door. Jeremie leads Aelita, holding her hand.

##### Int. Science Building Hallway – Day

Ulrich sounds panicked as he runs from a Kankrelat. The monster charges its laser again. Ulrich suddenly ducks as a javelin whizzes over his head, sticking into the Kankrelat’s eye and sending it flying backwards. The javelin sticks upright in the floor. Ulrich stands up. Yumi was the one who saved him.

Yumi

What would you do without me?

The Kankrelat slides down the javelin to the floor, skewered. Ulrich smiles at her. She suddenly looks up and grabs his hand, dragging him off.

Yumi

Hurry up!

Another Kankrelat scuttles along the hallway after them.

##### Ext. Cafeteria – Day

Ulrich and Yumi stop running by the fence. Several Kankrelats approach from the cafeteria, and more from the science building.

Ulrich

Come on!

They take off into the park.

##### Int. Factory – Day

Jeremie, Aelita and Odd slide down the ropes to the factory floor. Jim’s living space has been destroyed: furniture lies upside-down or on its side, and large holes have been blasted in the wall. A few dead Kankrelats lie scattered around the floor.

Odd

Wow! Jim gave them a good run for their money. (loudly) Jim? Jim?!

Jeremie points to the lift.

Jeremie

That way!

They run over to it. Odd stops when he sees something on the floor: a nail gun.

##### Int. Shed – Day

Ulrich

Looks like they got their sights set on us.

Ulrich and Yumi peruse the shed’s selection of gardening tools to find weapons. Ulrich finds a hedge trimmer and starts it up, and Yumi chooses a hatchet.

Yumi

Ok. Let’s show ‘em what we can do.

##### Ext. Shed – Day

Four Kankrelats scuttle past the shed.

Ulrich

Hey! Over here!

One of them stops and turns around. With joint battle cries, Ulrich and Yumi charge at the monster and destroy it.

##### Int. Scanner Room – Day

Jim raises a metal pole above his head and brings it down, barely missing a Kankrelat as it scuttles away just in time.

Jim

You miserable little monster! I’ll make you think twice before you leave your world again!

The lift opens, revealing Aelita, Jeremie and Odd, who’s holding the nail gun.

Aelita

Oh no…!

Odd runs into the room.

Odd

Hang on, Jim!

Odd fires nails at the Kankrelat while he runs, while Jim chases after it with his pole. The nails all miss the fleeing Kankrelat, but Jim manages to get in front of it and skewer it with the pole as it comes out from behind a scanner.

Jim

I told you to call me Jimbo, remember?!

He tosses the Kankrelat into a pile of other dead ones.

Aelita

Jeremie…you have to transfer me to Lyoko!

Jeremie

W…what?!

Aelita places her hand on his shoulder.

Jeremie

Have you forgotten XANA’s virus, Aelita?! What if XANA stops you from deactivating the tower? Or from returning to Earth?

Odd and Jim glance at each other.

Aelita

That’s a risk we’ve got to take. The priority is to stop XANA! You know as well as I do that we have no choice, Jeremie. Think of all the other monsters XANA could materialise!

After a moment, Jeremie shrugs.

Jeremie (sad)

Ok, get into the scanner. I’ll send you to Lyoko.

##### Int. Lab – Day [Alternating with Scanner Room]

Jeremie takes his seat at the computer.

Jeremie

I’m deactivating the infected scanner. Get ready, Odd.

Another Kankrelat comes out of the scanner and charges its laser. It’s immediately met with Odd’s nail gun and falls out of the scanner, dead.

Jim

Nice going, kid!

Jeremie

I’ve located the activated tower! It’s in the Glacier Region. That’s where I’m sending you.

The scanner doors close on Aelita and Odd moves to his own scanner.

Jim

Er, by the way, where are Ulrich and Yumi?

Odd

At school! Fighting monsters.

Jim

I’m off! I’ll be a lot more useful there!

Odd

Here!

He tosses Jim the nail gun.

Odd

It’s like a Swiss Army knife.

Jim tosses his pole over his shoulder and the scanner doors close.

Jim

See you later!

Jeremie (upset)

Transfer, Odd! Transfer, Aelita…! Scanner, Odd! Scanner, Aelita… Virtualisation…!

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

Odd and Aelita are virtualised. Aelita lands on her backside.

Aelita

It’s strange being virtualised!

Odd

Yeah! But you get used to it.

Aelita

No air to breathe, no smells, no warmth…nothing! I miss the real world already!

Odd

Let’s go, Aelita.

They set off along the path.

##### Ext. Park – Day

Kankrelats surround Yumi and Ulrich, who are backed against a tree.

Yumi

Ulrich, we’re never going to make it!

Jim (off)

BANZAAAAAAAAAAI!

A Kankrelat is shot by a nail and explodes. Jim runs towards them, yelling and laughing.

Jim

Take that, you cockroach!

He destroys another one, growling in triumph.

Jim

Got one!

He fires at another monster as it sidesteps away from where he’s aiming.

Jim

Say your prayers!

The monster is hit and explodes. Jim smiles, admiring his handiwork. Ulrich and Yumi smile in gratitude.

Ulrich

There’s something I gotta admit, Jim: this is the first time I’m glad you caught us by surprise!

Jim

My friends call me Jim*bo*! Got it?

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

Jeremie

Squadron approaching at nine o’clock! Three Hornets. Here they come now!

Odd

Watch out!

Odd tackles Aelita to the ground, out of the way of a laser. He’s hit by a laser when a Hornet flies right over the two of them. They stand up.

Jeremie

They’re coming back!

Odd and Aelita jump out of the way of the next lasers.

Odd

Head for the tower. I’ll hold them off!

Aelita runs along the path while Odd kneels down and aims at the monsters. The Hornets strafe him, making a hit.

Jeremie

You’ve got forty life points left, Odd!

##### Int. Lab – Day [Alternating with Park]

Ulrich phones Jeremie.

Ulrich

Jeremie!

Jeremie

What is it, Ulrich? Where are you? Odd and Aelita really need your help!

Ulrich

We haven’t finished the job here yet.

Jeremie

Odd’s only got forty life points left! If Aelita’s left all alone, she’s headed for disaster…!

Ulrich

Ok, we’ll hurry up.

He hangs up.

##### Ext. Park – Day

More Kankrelats come towards them.

Jim

You two had better hightail it to Lyoko! I can handle these bugs on my own. Am I right to say that the sooner you deactivate the tower, the safer the world’s going to be? Is that it?

Ulrich and Yumi nod.

Jim

Well then, what are you waiting for? Go on now and get the job done! It takes a lot more than a few ugly monsters to beat your friend Jimbo!

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

Odd zigzags along the narrow path, avoiding lasers. He whips around and fires a laser arrow.

Odd

Take that!

One of the Hornets is destroyed. Odd turns back around again and gets hit in the back, flying forward onto the ground.

Jeremie

You’re losing too many life points, Odd!

##### Int. Lab – Day [Alternating with Lift]

Jeremie

You gotta hang in there!

Yumi (over phone)

Jeremie!

Jeremie

Yumi! It’s about time. Odd’s only got twenty life points left!

Ulrich and Yumi are in the lift.

Yumi

We’re heading for the scanner! Don’t worry about Odd, he can hold on for a while. Twenty points is enough for him!

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

Odd

Laser arrow!

Odd fires and destroys another Hornet, leaving just one remaining. He runs backwards, aiming at the final monster.

Odd

Come on, I’m waiting for you!

He aims at it, but no arrow comes. He grabs his arm and shakes it, producing a clicking sound.

Odd

Oh, I don’t believe it! I’m out of arrows!

The Hornet shoots him. He waves at it as he’s devirtualised.

Odd (sad)

Bye-bye…

Aelita reaches the foot of the tall platform the tower is on.

Aelita

There it is!

Jeremie (worried)

Watch out, Aelita! Aelita…!

The last Hornet flies towards her, charging its laser. It fires and Aelita jumps out of the way. The laser hits the ground where she was just standing. She looks around for a refuge.

Ulrich and Yumi are virtualised a way away from Aelita.

Aelita skates into a nearby cave, sliding on the ice. The Hornet flies straight past. Aelita walks to the entrance of the cave and gets down on her knees, singing. A thick wall of ice materialises, blocking the cave entrance. Aelita smiles.

##### Ext. Park – Day

Jim fires at an approaching Kankrelat with decreasing accuracy.

Jim

So, still haven’t had enough, huh?!

His hand shakes as he aims at the monster. He laughs, but grows weary, and his arm falls by his side. The Kankrelat shoots and hits him. The nail gun falls to the ground. Ninon and Julien stand against a tree, crying out in horror as they witness the attack. Jim falls to his knees, holding his injured shoulder. The Kankrelats turn their attention to the two students.

Jim

Hey, you creeps! Over here!

He retrieves the nail gun and stands up, aiming at the monsters.

Jim

I’m ready! Come on!

He fires two shots, destroying both of them.

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

The Hornet fires at the ice wall.

Jeremie

Aelita’s taking cover in a cave back there.

Yumi and Ulrich make it to the platform.

Aelita

Oh no!

Aelita runs into the cave, which becomes a tunnel of smooth ice. She slides along it. Yumi throws her fan from around the corner. The Hornet dodges out of the way and the fan hits the ice wall, shattering it.

Ulrich

You can do better than that!

Yumi

Sorry!

The Hornet flies inside and goes after Aelita. Yumi jumps in and retrieves her fan from the floor of the cave.

Yumi

That way!

Ulrich

Uh-huh!

Ulrich follows her inside and they go deeper into the cave.

The Hornet catches up to Aelita and starts firing at her. Yumi and Ulrich then catch up to it.

Jeremie

Now, Yumi!

Yumi throws her fan. It bounces off a stalactite and flies straight into the Hornet, destroying it. Yumi catches her fan.

Ulrich

There! That’s more like it!

Yumi

It’s all in the wrist. I’m a great Frisbee player!

Aelita slides up to them.

Aelita

That was close!

Ulrich ruffles her hair, as much as one can do so on Lyoko.

Ulrich

Come on, Aelita. You know we would never let you go it alone.

Yumi

Hey! We can’t let the school go it alone, either.

Ulrich

Right!

They run off down the tunnel.

##### Ext. Park – Day

Jim keeps firing at Kankrelats, destroying one.

Jim (weak, determined)

Yeah! Take that! And that!

He glances over at Ninon and Julien, and gets shot in the knee. He kneels down to hold his new injury, still aiming the gun with the other hand.

Jim (weak, determined)

Well don’t just stand there! Go on! Run!

The students flee. Jim stands up again, wincing in pain but determined.

Jim (weak, determined)

Leave those kids alone!

##### Ice Sector, Lyoko

Aelita runs up to the tower and enters it.

##### Ext. Park – Day

Jim (weak, determined)

Come on, you bedbugs! Gimme all you got!

Jim is on the ground, still aiming at the monster approaching him. He’s lying with his back against the stump of a fallen tree.

Jim (weak, determined)

Go on! Huh?! Is that all you got?!

A Kankrelat charges a laser. It hits Jim, and he slumps over. Jim balls his fist.

Jim (weak, determined)

What’re you waiting for?! Come on! You think I’m all washed up?!

Jim gives a crooked smile as the Kankrelat aims at his face. Sweat beads on his face as the monster charges its laser.

Aelita enters the code.

The Kankrelat’s display suddenly turns to static as the monster dies.

##### Int. Lab – Day

Jeremie

Return to the past, now.

Return to the past.

##### Int. Jeremie’s Room – Day

Jeremie

Aelita, we’re restarting the materialisation program immediately. We’ve got to wipe out XANA before he launches another attack!

Jeremie goes to hit a key, but he stops when Aelita speaks.

Aelita

Jeremie… It’s impossible! The virus is still in me, I can feel it.

Jeremie

We’ve still gotta try it! Maybe you can be treated here on Earth!

Aelita

No, Jeremie. You know that as well as I do: as long as this virus is inside of me, you can’t destroy XANA…without destroying me at the same time.

Yumi places her hand on Jeremie’s shoulder, patting it.

Yumi

We could materialise you for an hour or two. So you could pay us a little visit. (smiles) Huh?

Aelita

Why not? But the rest of the time, I’ll have to stay here on Lyoko, to fight XANA. Until the day you find an antivirus.

Jeremie

Aelita… I uh…

Jeremie cries.

##### Int. Dormitory Hallway – Day

Jim walks up the stairs, confident he’s going to catch the gang this time.

##### Int. Jeremie’s Room – Day

Kiwi looks up from Jeremie’s bed.

Yumi

Jim! We forgot all about him!

Jim opens the door. The four of them smile innocently.

Jim

So! You kids are at it again!

Odd

No, Jim! We were studying.

Delmas walks past the hallway door and spots them through the glass.

Jim

Studying, my eye! I’ve had enough of your lies!

Delmas backtracks and looks through the window to get a better look.

Jim

You’re going to stay right here until you tell me everything!

Delmas walks up to Jim.

Delmas

Jim! What is going on here?

Jim

Ah! You came by at just the right time, Sir! I was just about to find out exactly what these children were up to again!

Delmas

(groan) Another one of your absurd stories about mysterious meetings and secret passages, eh? I’ve had about enough of this, Jim, and I’m going to have to-!

Ulrich

He’s right, Sir! We really were plotting.

Jeremie

We were! We were going to play a little joke on Nicolas and Herb!

Delmas and Jim look surprised.

Yumi

In fact, Sir, if Jim hadn’t caught us, we would’ve been late for school for sure.

Delmas looks at Jim and then back to the group.

Delmas

Well then I’ll look the other way this time, since you admitted what you’ve done. Now, ah…off to class, children! Go on!

Delmas walks away and the kids smile at Jim, who looks stunned.

Jim

Well! You made up one heck of a story, kids! But why did you…get me off the hook?

Jeremie

Well, it’s just that…you never know! Maybe one day, you’ll do the same for us!

Jeremie walks off.

Ulrich

And, you know, we never get the time to thank you for all you’ve done for us. So thanks a lot (winks) Jimbo!

Ulrich leaves, and Odd follows.

Odd

Yeah, thanks!

Jim watches them go, confused. Yumi jumps up and kisses his cheek before following after the boys.

Yumi

You’re a hero! And a fantastic PE teacher! Jimbo!

Jim

Oh, well (laughs nervously)… You ought to tell the principal that! Ok now, go to class! (quietly) Huh, a hero… Wow…

Jeremie looks at a photo of him and Aelita as he walks. The four friends put their arms around one another, laughing as they walk to the exit.