

ZULA PATROL

"Under The Weather"

Digital Dome Program

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SYNOPSIS

The stalwart heroes of The Zula Patrol are on an expedition collecting samples of weather on planet Zula for scientist Multo's research -- using their loyal pet Gorga's ability to collect and bottle all kinds of weather. But when the Zula gang inadvertently hurts Gorga's feelings, he decides to leave Zula and find another planet to live on. Interplanetary villain Dark Truder takes advantage of the situation to trick Gorga into helping him steal the weather from other planets -- part of his latest nefarious scheme to rule Zula (*and* find the legendary Kaboobie Ruby). The Zula Patrol find out and go after him -- in the process learning all about weather, both terrestrial and interplanetary.

CHARACTERS:

BULA

ZEETER

MULTO

WIZZY

WIGG

GORGA (does not speak, only makes animal sounds)

DARK TRUDER

TRAXIE

ANNOUNCER (Voiceover only)

FENWICK, a cartoony Tex Avery-style humanized dog, like Goofy or Droopy (does not speak)

VARIOUS PLANETS/MOONS/ASTEROIDS (walla only)

1. OPEN IN BLACK

<CLICK!> A TV SET appears, projected on the dome's front wall only, as if this were a small-screen presentation.

ON THE TV SCREEN: The REGULAR ZULA PATROL SERIES OPENING and THEME SONG play out, introducing our major characters, and ending on The Zula Patrol logo.

(Theme Song)

WAY WAY OUT
WHERE THE PLANETS DO THE HULA
SPIN AND SHOUT
TILL YOU FIND YOURSELF ON ZULA

LET'S TAKE OFF
WE'RE ALL READY TO ROLL
IT'S FUN TO LEARN
WITH THE ZULA PATROL!

WAKE UP, GORGA!
IT'S TIME TO PLAY
C'MON CAP'N BULA
LET'S WELCOME THE DAY

WHERE'S THAT ZEETER?
ALL READY TO GO
WIZZY N' WIG ARE GOOD TO GLOW

BEAKERS BUBBLIN'
TURNIN' BLUE
MULTO'S MAKIN'
SOMETHING NEW!

WAY WAY OUT
WHERE THE PLANETS DO THE HULA
SPIN AND SHOUT
TILL YOU FIND YOURSELF ON ZULA

SEE YA' ROUND FOLKS
AT MISSION CONTROL
IT'S FUN TO LEARN
WITH THE ZULA PATROL

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SEE YA' ROUND FOLKS

AT MISSION CONTROL
IT'S FUN TO LEARN
WITH THE ZULA PATROL

[Time: 60 seconds] As it ends, our camera DIVES into the TV screen and the frame widens to encompass the entire dome - which finds us..

2. EXT. SPACE

...ZOOMING through star-filled space. We hear the ANNOUNCER'S stentorian intro:

1) ANNOUNCER

(gravely) Space - a silent void
where nothing stirs, no sound is
heard, no...

Suddenly, the dome is full of PLANETS, MOONS and ASTEROIDS hurrying to and fro like rush hour. <TRAFFIC NOISE, HONKING>

2) PLANETS/MOONS/ASTEROIDS

(walla) Watch it!/Move over!/Hey,
I'm orbitin' here!/Who you pushin'!
(continue under:)

3) ANNOUNCER

(shouting over noise) The endless
silence, the eternal hush, the...!
(finally, frustrated) QUIETTTT!!!

††

Everyone stops on a dime. Silence.

4) ANNOUNCER (CONT'D)

Sheesh. That's better. Now -
let's check in on The Zula Patrol.

††

SPIN TO:

3. EXT. PLANET ZULA/INT. ZULA PATROL SHIP - DAY

Establishing shot of PLANET ZULA, revolving in space, then PUSH WAY, WAY IN to find the ZULA PATROL SHIP skimming over the fantastical Zula landscape on a cloudy day.

5) ZEETER (OS)

Look! A perfect Zula hailstorm!

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As the ship heads toward some clouds, PUSH IN to..

THE SHIP'S INTERIOR

ZEETER is piloting, BULA stands behind her with his clipboard, WIZZY & WIGG hover on either side of MULTO, who's pointing out the windshield at the approaching clouds. ***

6) MULTO

A hailstorm? It's my lucky day! †

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Gorga jumps up enthusiastically with a "Weeee-haaa!!!"

7) BULA (CONT'D)

All right, Zeeter, take her down!

8) ZEETER

You got it, Captain Bula! *

The ship dips down below the clouds, right into the middle of a RAGING HAILSTORM. <LOUD HAILSTORM SFX> as the ship gets tossed and battered, rocking wildly back and forth.

9) BULA/ZEETER/WIZZY/WIGG/MULTO

(fun yelling walla) Whoa!/WooHoo!/etc ***

10) BULA

(yells) Okay, Gorga! Now!!

PULL BACK TO SHOW GORGA, out on deck, as he antics back, then with a mighty <INHALE>, VACUUMS up the entire hailstorm into his snout. Suddenly, all is sunny and quiet. *

11) MULTO

Wizzy, Wigg - the collection jar!

Wizzy & Wigg fly into frame holding a big open jar labeled "Hailstorm," as Gorga hops back into the ship, holding his breath. Gorga <SNORTS> out the hailstorm (now super-compressed) into the jar. Wizzy & Wigg cap it, as:

12) MULTO (CONT'D)

Excellent job! An ideal specimen. ***

Multo puts it on a shelf next to others (labeled illegibly). ***

13) MULTO (CONT'D)

(reading jars) Let's see... "Tornado..."
 "Snow..." "Cloudy With A Chance Of
 Scattered Showers..." And one hailstorm!

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Bula checks off an item on his clipboard.

14) BULA

Check. That's the last thing on
 the list. Time to head home!

*

Zeeter hangs a sudden U-turn, the crew now seat-belted, then
 puts the ship into camera-shaking hyper-drive, ZOOMING away!

As the ZP ship disappears into the distance, we PAN OVER to
 find DARK TRUDER'S SHIP hiding behind a nearby cloud.

15) TRUDER (VO)

(ominously) That's right, Zula
 Patrollers... your list is complete.
 But mine has just started! (cackle)

WIPE TO:

4. EXT. ZULA PATROL HEADQUARTERS - DAY

ESTABLISHING SHOT of Zula Patrol headquarters, with The
 Zula Patrol ship parked next to it.

5. INT. MULTO'S LABORATORY - CONTINUOUS

The ZPers are emptying the various labeled jars of weather
 they've collected into a series of table-top GLASS-DOMED
 TERRARIUMS around the lab. Each dome is 3 feet across,
 contains a mini-ecosystem (plants, stones, bonsai trees,
 etc.), and has a "weather jar receptacle" on top to allow
 the contents of the jars to be emptied into the dome. Some
 domes are already filled with lightning, sunshine, etc.

16) BULA

Well, Multo, you've got everything
 you need now for your weather
 research. A sample of every kind of
 weather on Zula.

††

Multo empties a jar of snow into a dome, but the snow just
 <PLOPS> to the bottom. He thinks for a moment, then lifts
 the dome and <SHAKES> it up like a big snow globe. Inside
 the dome, it starts snowing. Multo smiles and sets it down.

17) WIGG ††
(looks around) Wow, I didn't know
there were so many different types
of weather!

18) WIZZY ††
What exactly is weather, anyway?

19) MULTO ***
Excellent question, Wizzy! Why
don't we check in the Multopedia?

Multo opens the MULTOPEDIA, sitting on its stand. The ZPers ***
all magically <FWOOSH> into... **FLASH FX TO:**

6. INT./EXT. MULTOPEDIA ***
Against a BG of animated sky above and Earth landscape below
(bird's eye view at 800 feet), the ZP sits on the open flying
book as it zooms toward us. The book banks around behind us,
then comes up from below, so CAMERA is immediately behind
the ZPers, looking OTS as the book ZOOMS over the landscape.

20) MULTO ††
You see, weather is when it's cold
or hot outside... or raining, or
windy, or sunny, or snowing.

<PLOP!> They're suddenly covered in snow, like five snowmen. *
The ZPers shake off the snow.

21) ZEETER ††
...Or any combination of these. In
fact, "weather" is whatever's
happening in the air outside at
the moment.

22) BULA ****
And when the air is really stirred ††
up, you get *storms*.

As the Multopedia tilts downward, we see Earth below, with
various storms, seen from above, appearing as mentioned.

23) ZEETER ††
Right, and there's all kinds of
storms - thunderstorms and
windstorms and sandstorms and
blundersnitches.

24) WIZZY/WIGG/BULA/MULTO
(stare at her) "Blundersnitches?!"

25) ZEETER
Okay, I made that one up.

They zoom through a CRAZY CARTOON VORTEX, and come out in a 3-D CARTOON WORLD, looking at a cartoony upscale DOGHOUSE.

26) MULTO
But no matter what kind of weather there is, it's all made from six basic elements.

FENWICK, a humanized dog like Goofy, steps out the door of his house in a Hawaiian shirt and straw hat, fanning himself in the heat. On "cold", his teeth <CHATTER> and he shivers.

‡‡

27) BULA
There's temperature: how hot - or cold it is. And air pressure - how much the air above you weighs.

‡‡

A giant, airy, transparent, gloved CARTOON HAND reaches in from TOP OF FRAME and presses down on Fenwick, pushing him into the ground <SQUEAK SQUEAK> till all we see is his hat.

28) MULTO
And wind - which is moving air.

The hand vanishes. Fenwick <POPS> back up, but the <WIND> blows him back into his house! The door <SLAMS> shut.

29) ZEETER
And humidity -which is the amount of moisture, or water, in the air around you. And clouds - which are formed when water drops rise into the sky and mix with a tiny bit of dust.

Tiny drops of water appear in the air and start to form a cartoon cloud directly over the house.

30) BULA

And precipitation - which is what happens when the tiny drops of water making up the clouds fall to the ground as rain, snow, hail or sleet. ††

The cloud starts to <RAIN> on the house, followed by <SNOW>, followed by <HAIL>. Suddenly it all stops, and the Sun comes out. The front door opens and Fenwick steps out of his house, beaming - but is immediately <DRENCHED> by the cloud. **

31) WIZZY

I get it! So *weather* is whatever's happening in the air outside. ††

...As we go back through the 3D VORTEX and <FWOOSH> to... *

7. INT. MULTO'S LABORATORY - AS BEFORE

The ZPers materialize back in the lab. ***

32) WIGG

Hey, Wizzy, I'll bet if we collect enough different kinds of weather like Multo, we could find the Kaboobie Ruby! ††

33) BULA/ZEETER/MULTO

(*unison, puzzled*) "Kaboobie... Ruby?" ***

34) WIZZY

It's an old Zula legend. (*reciting*) "Whoever finds the Kaboobie Ruby is destined to become Rula of Zula!" ****

During the following, Wizzy quickly draws a picture of a shining ruby surrounded by clouds and lightning and the Sun. ††

35) WIGG

Yeah, the legend says that the Kaboobie Ruby can magically appear anywhere in the Universe - when certain kinds of weather come together in the same place. ††

36) WIZZY

You need a hurricane from Jupiter... clouds from Venus... a sandstorm from Mars... and rain from Earth. †

Suddenly, the various LAB EQUIPMENT (beakers, test tubes, †
 bunsen burners, microscopes, etc.) one-by-one come to life,
 singing and dancing, while Wizzy & Wigg buzz to the
 appropriate terrariums as each kind of weather is mentioned.

37) LAB EQUIPMENT

(sing) Take a hurricane from Jupiter †
 And Venus' cloudy skies,
 Then add a Martian sandstorm
 Of a super duper size,
 You'll need some Earthly rainfall, so
 Take everything you've got
 Then mix it all to-gether
 And stir it in a pot.

Then an X will mark, an X will mark the site, †
 Of a gem of sheer, a gem of sheer delight,
 And you'll know you've got, you'll know you've
 got it right,
 The astounding, confounding,
 (spoken) The drums will all be pounding!
 (sung) Kaboobie Ruby!

Then an X will mark, an X will mark the site, †
 Of a gem of sheer, a gem of sheer delight,
 And you'll know you've got, you'll know you've
 got it right,
 The astounding, confounding,
 (spoken) The drums will all be pounding!
 (sung) Kaboobie, Kaboobie, Kaboobie... Ruby!¹ ††

After a big finish, Wizzy & Wigg fly over to the others.

38) WIGG

(excitedly) D'you think maybe we
 really could find it? After all,
 we've got all these different
 kinds of weather!

39) MULTO

But I'm afraid none of it is from *
 Jupiter or Venus or Mars.

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40) BULA

And it is just a legend. Which
means it's probably not true.

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8. EXT./INT. DARK TRUDER'S SHIP - SAME TIME

DARK TRUDER'S SHIP hovers high in space above Zula.

41) TRUDER (OS)

"Legend," my toenail clippings!

WE PUSH IN through the window, into...

THE SHIP'S INTERIOR - DARK TRUDER is at his console, watching
The ZPers on his monitor. His toupee TRAXIE sits on his
head, chewing gum and doing a crossword puzzle.

42) TRUDER (CONT'D)

That Kaboobie Ruby is as real as
you or I, Traxie. And soon it will
be mine! They don't call me "Dark
Truder, Evil Genius Of The Cosmos"
for nothing. Nyah hah hah!

43) TRAXIE

Actually, nobody calls you that,
except for your cousin Herbie. And
only when you give him a dollar.

44) TRUDER

Poke fun if you will, Traxie. But
with that ruby, I'll be named Rula
of Zula! And all I need is the
help of a certain Zula Patroller..

††

††

PUSH IN to Truder's monitor, showing...

9. INT. MULTO'S LABORATORY - SAME TIME

Bula and Zeeter are gone. Wizzy & Wigg help Multo pour the jar
of hailstorm into one of the domed terrariums, then seal it.
Gorga enters from outside, carrying a jar full of TORNADO.

45) MULTO

Oh, be careful with that tornado,
Gorga. We don't want it getting..

<CRASH!> Sure enough, Gorga TRIPS over something (which we
don't see). The jar goes flying and lands <CLANK!> on a
lab table, where the lid falls off (no glass breakage). A

beat, then a comical-looking tornado BURSTS out of the jar, triples in size and runs amok through the lab. <TORNADO SFX>

46) WIZZY

It's loose! Run for cover!

Multo, Wizzy & Wigg flee as the tornado pursues them round and round the lab, wreaking havoc everywhere. Books and equipment go flying, furniture is blown across the room. (NOTE: The other terrariums aren't disturbed)

47) MULTO/WIZZY/WIGG

(walla) Halllllp!/Yiiii!/Whoaaaa!!!

Multo, Wizzy & Wigg dive for cover behind a console. Gorga, who's been blown under a chair, suddenly LEAPS out onto a table and <SNORTS> up the runaway tornado, then expels it back into its jar, which he promptly caps. Multo, Wizzy & Wigg peek their heads out & survey the damage.

48) MULTO

Oh dear! My books! My equipment!

49) WIGG

(horrified) My lunch!

Wigg holds up the dripping remains of a sack lunch.

50) WIGG (CONT'D)

Gorga, just look what you've done!
Can't you watch where you're going?

‡‡

Gorga, his feelings hurt, looks back and forth from Wizzy to Wigg, who irritably start to help Multo clean up. He makes a little <WHIMPERING> sound - then turns and slinks away. Wizzy picks up a small skateboard from the floor.

51) WIZZY

Hey, Wigg, look. You left your skateboard on the floor. That's why Gorga tripped.

*

52) WIGG

(realizing) Uh oh. (guiltily) Then it was MY fault. I better go tell him I'm sorry. I shouldn't have yelled at him anyway.

53) WIZZY

I'll go with you.

As they buzz away after Gorga...

10. EXT. ZULA PATROL HEADQUARTERS

Outside, an unhappy Gorga tapes a paw-printed note to the Headquarters front door, then hops on his SPACE SCOOTER, and <TAKES OFF>, disappearing into the clouds. We hear:

54) TRUDER (OS)

Traxie! Did you see that?! I must have a closer look!

Truder's ship descends into frame from above, then pulls up close to the ZP front door. A LARGE EYEBALL on a robotic arm extends from the front of the ship and moves in close to Gorga's note. The eyeball scans the note back and forth as Traxie & Truder (seen thru his viewport) read their monitor.

55) TRAXIE

It's from Gorga to The Zula Patrol. He says he's sorry he caused so much trouble... yada yada yada... and he's going to find someplace else to live - some planet big enough where he won't be in anyone's way. And he signed it with a little pouty face. Cute.

56) TRUDER

(*jubilant*) Yahooooo! He's left The Zula Patrol! Traxie, this is the break I've been waiting for! The Kaboobie Ruby is practically mine!

57) WIZZY & WIGG (OS)

(*calling out*) Gorga! Oh, Gorga, where are you?!

‡‡

The big eyeball looks around, worried.

58) TRUDER

It's those flying light bulbs!

‡‡

The eyeball retracts into Truder's ship, which <ZOOMS> O.S. The Headquarters front door opens and Wizzy & Wigg fly out. The door slides closed behind them and Wizzy sees the note.

59) WIZZY

Look, a note.

They buzz up to read it. A beat, then their eyes widen.

60) WIGG/WIZZY

Oh no!

WIPE TO:

11. EXT. SPACE - LATER

The ZP ship <ZOOMS> through star-filled space. PUSH IN through the canopy to see Zeeter piloting, Bula in the Captain's chair, Multo studying the note with Wizzy & Wigg.

61) WIGG

The note says he's gone to find a planet big enough where he won't be in anyone's way.

62) ZEETER

Well, Jupiter is the biggest planet - Maybe he's gone there.

63) BULA

Then let's head for Jupiter! This is a job for The Zula Patrol!

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The ship pulls away from us as it banks right and heads toward Jupiter, seen in the far distance.

12. EXT. SPACE ABOVE JUPITER - SAME TIME

TRUDER'S SHIP chugs into view, Jupiter in the BG. PUSH THRU THE VIEWPORT TO INSIDE TRUDER'S SHIP. Truder sits at his console. Traxie, now shaped in a mullet, is on Truder's head, filing her nails.

††

64) TRUDER

Look, to find the Kaboobie Ruby, we need to mix a hurricane from Jupiter, clouds from Venus, a sand storm from Mars and rain from Earth.

††

65) TRAXIE

Yeah, so?

66) TRUDER

So... now that Gorga's alone, we'll
trick him into snorting up each one
of those kinds of weather and
giving them to us. Then we release
them together, and presto - the
Kaboobie Ruby will appear, ours for
the taking! <CACKLE>

A jubilant Truder starts to sing and dance. Traxie,
carried away by the beat, joins in, dancing atop his head.

67) TRUDER/TRAXIE

(*sing*) Then an X will mark, an X will mark the site, †
Of a gem of sheer, a gem of sheer delight,
And you'll know you've got, you'll know you've got
it ri-i-ight,
The astounding, confounding,
(*spoken*) The drums will all be pounding!
(*sung*) Kaboobie Ruby!

WIPE TO:

13. EXT. SPACE OVER JUPITER - LATER

Gorga <SCOOTTS> along on his scooter, nearing Jupiter. He
rounds a moon, heading toward the gas giant, which looms in
the BG (the Great Red Spot prominent). Suddenly he finds
himself facing a closed-flap GYPSY FORTUNETELLER'S TENT
sitting in space atop Truder's ship. On it stands Traxie in
disguise as a colorful PARROT. Gorga hesitates, curious, as:

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68) TRAXIE (AS PARROT)

<SQUAWK!> Step right up and have
your fortune told! The Amazing
Madame Luna tells all, yells all,
and smells all!

**

††

<MYSTERIOSO GYPSY MUSIC> as the tent "magically" unfolds its
front flaps, revealing "Madame Luna" (Truder in a cheesy
gypsy disguise) sitting at a table before a CRYSTAL BALL.

69) TRUDER (AS MADAME LUNA)

(*Gypsy accent, mysterious*)
Alakazoot and a rootie-toot-toot,
along comes a cutie with a little
green snoot. Ah yesss, I am seeing
in my crystal ball you are seeking
something. It is a new home, yes?

Gorga nods, impressed. . **

70) TRUDER (AS MADAME LUNA)

The answer can be found under the Great Red Spot, Jupiter's humongous hurricane. But first, mine leetle shtrudel, you must remove the hurricane from the planet. ***

Gorga nods eagerly. Turning to Jupiter, he starts to <SNORT> up the Great Red Spot. But it's enormous (over 3 times the size of Earth), and Gorga struggles mightily <HUFFING AND PUFFING>. He finally vacuums it all up, inflating himself. Traxie ZIPS next to him with an open jar. ***

71) TRAXIE (AS PARROT)

Stash it here. Er, I mean <SQUAWK>. **

Gorga snorts it out (highly compressed) into the jar, which Traxie seals. Truder peers at Jupiter as brown & yellow cloud swirls start to fill in where the Great Red Spot used to be. *

72) TRUDER (AS MADAME LUNA)

Yes, yes, I see it now! The answer is... fuhgeddaboutit. Jupiter is too cold, no skateboarding, and just try to find a good cheeseburger. You must instead seek a hot, hot planet with cloudy days and nights. **

73) TRAXIE (AS PARROT)

("casual") Like, ah, oh, for example, squawk, Venus. (*points*) It's that way. Better hurry if you wanna beat the traffic. Oh, and <SQUAWK>. **

Gorga happily takes off toward Venus. Traxie holds up the jar of hurricane, as she and Truder do a victory dance. ***

14. INT. ZULA PATROL SHIP - SAME TIME

Wizzy & Wigg hover by the canopy, looking out into space.

74) WIGG

Poor Gorga. I hope he's not too hot or cold on his new planet. ††

75) WIZZY

(sigh) Me, too. Zeeter, what's
the weather like on other planets?
Is it exactly the same as Earth?

‡

76) ZEETER

Well, we're about to find out -
'cause heeeeere's Jupiter!

Through the canopy, Jupiter comes into view, dead ahead.

77) WIZZY

I'll keep a log of different kinds
of weather we find on other
planets, and compare it to the
weather on Earth.

‡‡

78) MULTO

Good idea, Wizzy. Now you're
thinking like a scientist.

79) ZEETER

Hang on, everyone! We're about to
enter Jupiter's upper atmosphere!

As they head down into Jupiter's cloud layer, suddenly the
ship is <ROCKED> wildly back-and-forth. <EAR-PIERCING WIND>

80) WIGG

(yells over wind) Wow! Jupiter
sure is a windy planet!

81) BULA

(yells) You said it! The winds blow
at up to 300 miles per hour!

82) ZEETER

(yells) That's a lot faster than
a hurricane on Earth!

‡‡

They fly above cloud level, the <WINDS DYING>.

83) WIGG

(glum) But I still don't see Gorga.

Bula points to the area where the Great Red Spot used to be.

84) BULA

The Great Red Spot! It's gone!

85) WIGG
What's the Great Red Spot? ***

86) MULTO
It's a super-size hurricane that's
been going on for hundreds of years! ****

87) WIZZY
That's a long time! I read that
hurricanes on Earth don't usually
last more than two weeks. ***

88) BULA
And they don't usually just
disappear ! ****

Zeeter sees a Gorga-shaped blip on her radar screen. ***

89) ZEETER
Hey, I just picked up the signal
from Gorga's collar on the scanner!
Looks like he's heading for Venus! ***

90) BULA
Then that's where we're going!

Zeeter puts the ship into hyper-drive, and <ZOOMS> away.

15. EXT. SPACE OVER VENUS

Gorga scoots toward cloudy Venus. He rounds an asteroid to
find Truder & Traxie standing atop Truder's ship, against a
tacky *Fun-In-The-Sun* display. Truder's in a Hawaiian shirt,
lei & sunglasses. Traxie's on his head as blond surfer hair. ***

91) TRUDER (AS PROMOTER)
(*Southern accent a la Foghorn*
Leghorn) Son! I say there, son! *

Gorga slows his scooter, points to himself, as in "Me?"
Truder strolls over, puts his arm around Gorga's "shoulder."

92) TRUDER (AS PROMOTER) (CONT'D)
Yes, you! How would you like a
chance to enjoy the vacation of your
dreams on (*points*) lovely Venus? ****

93) TRAXIE

Fun in the Sun, 24-hour karaoke,
AND an all-you-can-eat kibble bar!
It'll put the snap in your snorter!

Gorga smiles, but politely shakes his head. Instantly, the
"promoters" break down into tears.

94) TRUDER/TRAXIE

(*bawling*) Waaahhhhh!

Gorga, not sure what to do, snorts out a box of tissues and
offers it to them. They blow their noses. <HONK!>

95) TRUDER (AS PROMOTER)

(*sniffing back tears*) Th-thanks.
It's just that... no one wants to
stay at our hotel. It's a big flop.

96) TRAXIE

How can anyone have fun in the sun,
when Venus is cloudy every day?

97) TRUDER (AS PROMOTER)

(*sigh*) If only someone could
remove all those pesky clouds...

As Gorga considers this, PAN OVER TO THE FAR SIDE OF VENUS
- where the ZP ship is searching (Venus blocking their view
of Gorga and Truder). PUSH WAY IN TO THE ZP SHIP.

16. INT. ZULA PATROL SHIP - SAME TIME

The gang is at the canopy looking in all directions.

98) BULA

I don't see Gorga anywhere.

99) WIZZY

Maybe he landed on Venus.

100) ZEETER

Let's go take a look. Hang on -
it's going to be a bumpy ride!

She heads the ship down to Venus, entering the THICK WHITE
CLOUD LAYER. With zero visibility, the ship <BUMPS> &
<CLATTERS> loudly. Outside, their RADIO ANTENNA *dissolves!*

101) WIGG

Hey! The radio antenna dissolved!

102) ZEETER

Venus' clouds are made of sulfuric acid - which can dissolve metal!
See, it's eating through the paint!

*
‡‡

The paint starts to peel from the outside of the ship.
Some small holes start to <SIZZLE> through the hull.

103) WIZZY

Yipe! It's eating through the ship!

The ship emerges from the clouds and descends to the surface.

104) WIGG

Whew, we made it! (*sweating*) But it sure is getting warm in here.

105) MULTO

It's going to get a lot warmer.
Venus is the hottest planet in the whole Solar System - because it's close to the Sun, and has a thick blanket of air that traps the heat.

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Suddenly, the ship's hull starts to <BUCKLE> inwards, <CREAKING> and <GROANING> and almost <CRUSHING> it.

106) BULA

It's the weight of the air! It's pushing on the outside of the ship!

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107) ZEETER

I'll deploy the Zycanian shields!
(*hits a button*) Shields deployed!
We're coming in for a landing!

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The hull <POPS> back out again, resuming its normal shape.
Zeeter brings the ship in for a landing on the surface.
Wizzy checks the ship's barometer, making a mark in her log.

108) WIZZY

Wow! The barometer says that the air here on Venus weighs 90 times as much as the air on Earth!

109) WIGG

Well, I don't care how heavy it is!
I'm going out to look for Gorga.

110) WIZZY

Wigg, wait...!

With that, Wigg opens the ramp door and flies out.<SQUOOSH!>
Two feet out the door, we see Wigg flattened like a flapjack.

111) ZEETER

(sigh) I was afraid of that. I'll
deploy the Zycanian pancake turner.

*

Zeeter hits a button, and a big SPATULA extends from the
outside of the ship, scoops up Wigg, deposits him back
inside the ship (flipping him once like a pancake), then
retracts. The door closes, and Wigg immediately <POPS>
back into his usual shape. Wizzy jots it all down in her log
(and draws clouds). Suddenly, things turns BRIGHTER, as if
the Sun had just come out. [NOTE: It should get *extremely*
bright, since Venus gets twice as much sunlight as Earth.]

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112) ZEETER (CONT'D)

Hey! Everything just got brighter!

They all look up to see the Sun beating down:

113) MULTO

It's the Sun! Galloping galaxies!
Venus' clouds all just disappeared!

17. EXT. SPACE OVER VENUS - SAME TIME

Above the planet, "promoter" Truder holds open a jar as
Gorga snorts out Venus' (very condensed) clouds. A now-
cloudless Venus looms in the BG. Traxie caps the jar.

114) TRAXIE

...That's every last cloud on Venus.

115) TRUDER (AS PROMOTER)

Son, I say Son - you are a hero!
Thanks to you, our sunny spa is
saved, and grateful fun-seekers can
now party hardy and get down with
their bad selves.

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Truder slips his lei over Gorga, who blushes <AW SHUCKS HONK>

116) TRUDER (AS PROMOTER)

And I'm gonna return the favor by letting you in on a little old secret. (*confidentially*) You see, Venus is a great place to visit. But for home sweet home - you want Mars.

Gorga reacts, surprised, looking past Earth at Mars. Hmm...

18. INT. ZULA PATROL SHIP - ON VENUS

Inside the ship on the now-sunny Venusian surface, the ZPers (in sunglasses) are busily patching the acid holes in the hull, while outside, we can see robot arms with paint brushes extend from the ship and restore the old paint job.

117) BULA

I don't get it. The Great Red Spot disappears from Jupiter, then all the clouds vanish from Venus. Why?

118) ZEETER

Hmm... Jupiter... Venus... Funny, it all sounds so... familiar. Wait a minute! The Great Red Spot is a hurricane, right? "Take a hurricane from Jupiter and Venus cloudy skies..."

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119) WIZZY

It's the Kaboobie Ruby song!

120) MULTO

Zeeter, you're right! What if some sneaky lowdown villain stole the hurricane and the clouds - because they're after the Kaboobie Ruby!

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121) ALL ZPERS

Dark Truder!

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‡‡

In the BG, two of the robot arms get into a paint fight.

122) BULA

And he must be tricking Gorga into helping him. Quick, what's the next part of the song?!

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a good template for this chase. JPL video library is at
[www.jpl.nasa.gov/videos/vidcat.pdf.](http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/videos/vidcat.pdf)]

Field Code Changed

131) WIGG

(shivering) Brrrrr! It's getting
 cold in here!

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132) WIZZY

(looking at console) I'll say!
 The thermometer says the outside
 air is minus 100 degrees! That's
 a lot colder than Earth!

133) ZEETER

That's because the heavier air on
 Earth keeps it warm, like a big
 heavy jacket. The thin blanket of
 air on Mars is too light to keep
 the planet warm.

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Now just above ground, the 2 ships skim the surface of the
 Martian sand dunes under a pink sky, ZOOMING around extinct
 volcanoes, criss-crossing each other, leaping over sand
 moguls, slaloming around fields of boulders & dust devils.
 Zeeter expertly takes evasive action, weaving in and around.
 They catch sight of Truder, heading into a huge SANDSTORM.

‡‡

134) BULA

Truder's heading into that
 sandstorm! Try to fly above it!

135) ZEETER

No good! Martian sandstorms can
 get up to five miles high! I'll
 have to go in after him!

Zeeter zeroes in on Truder's ship, flying head-on into the
 sandstorm. A wild pursuit through the blinding, <HOWLING>
 sandstorm ensues. We can barely make out Truder's ship
 ahead, as it disappears ahead of them. CAMERA PULLS UP AND
 BACK from the chase position to see the ZP ship blindly PLOW
 into a giant SAND DUNE! <SPLOOCH!> Truder takes off,
 cackling, flying out of the sandstorm.

‡‡

136) TRUDER

Have fun in the sand, Zula Foolas!
 Hope you brought a shovel and pail!

PAN to the ZP ship, struggling to free itself from the dune.

DISSOLVE TO:

20. EXT. MARS - NEAR THE SANDSTORM

On a nearby mountain, the huge SANDSTORM visible in the BG, Gorga, his scooter parked, stands with Truder, now disguised a la Muscle Beach, in a bathing suit and muscle shirt, with Traxie as his talking mustache. Gorga turns to the sandstorm, readies himself, then <SNORTS> UP the entire sandstorm! Truder ZIPS out an empty jar, and Gorga exhales the (mega-compressed) sandstorm into the jar, which Traxie caps.

137) TRUDER

(a la Schwarzenegger) You are so good to help me. I will use this sand to build the biggest sandcastle of my career - 500 rooms und a bowling alley.

138) TRAXIE

Yeah, Sand crabs just love to bowl.

With the storm gone, Gorga curiously sees that among the remaining sand dunes is one shaped like the ZP spaceship. He furrows his brow. Truder notices and quickly puts his arm over Gorga's shoulder, turning him away from the ZP ship.

139) TRUDER

Ahem, uh, now, if you want some great sand-castles and fine beach weather... you know, there's just no place like Earth...

He walks off, his arm around Gorga.

WIPE TO:

21. INT. ZULA PATROL SHIP/EXT. MARS - LATER

As Zeeter backs the Zula Patrol ship out of the dune...

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140) ZEETER

Rats. We lost him.

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141) MULTO

And there's no sign of Gorga.

††

142) BULA

Judging from the way that sandstorm suddenly disappeared from Mars, I think Truder got what he wanted, and he's off to his next stop.

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143) WIZZY

..Which is the last one in the song. "You'll need some Earthly rainfall."

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144) ZEETER

It's time to head for Earth!

The ZP ship <BLASTS OFF>, zooming up from Mars' surface into space and toward Earth, seen in the BG. Wigg looks with sadness at a photo of Gorga. Wizzy hovers next to him.

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145) WIGG

What if we never find Gorga, Wiz? It's all my fault... 'cause I'm the one who yelled at him.

146) WIZZY

Don't worry, Wigg. We'll find him.

147) ZEETER

Hey, I've got Gorga on the scanner! He's on Earth, all right!

PUSH IN to Planet Earth, and..

WIPE TO:

22. EXT. EARTH - DAY

In a fertile, rainy VALLEY with a RIVER running through it, Truder and Traxie, dressed in overalls & straw hats as farmers, watch as Gorga <SNORTS> up an entire rainstorm, then deposits it in an open jar, which Truder caps and puts in a big open SACK next to him.

148) TRUDER

Green buddy, ye have the thanks o' Silas Squiggle, earthworm farmer, for stoppin' the rainstorm. My worms was a-gettin' too waterlogged.

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Traxie, who stands on a rock, puts her "fingers" in her mouth and <WHISTLES> loudly. Some WORMS wriggle past her.

149) TRAXIE

(flat) Git along, little squirmies.

150) WIGG (OS)

Gorga!!! We found you!

Gorga whips around to see The Zula Patrol ship overhead, coming in for a landing! Wigg and Bula stick their heads out, yelling, as the ship skims over the river, then hovers.

151) BULA

Watch out! That's Truder and
Traxie! They've been tricking you!

‡‡

Gorga reacts, stunned, then turns on Truder & Traxie, <GROWLING>, as Traxie leaps back onto Truder's head.

‡‡

152) TRUDER

(yells up) You're too late, Droola
Patrol! I've got everything I
need now! The Kaboobie Ruby is
practically mine! Nyah hah hah!

He reaches into the sack and pulls out all four jars of weather, and uncorks them. <LIGHTNING!> The elements combine. A MEGA-HURRICANE/SANDSTORM/THUNDERSTORM/LIGHTNING STORM with SULFURIC ACID CLOUDS (eating through the rocks they touch) <EXPLODES> over their heads! <THUNDER!/WIND!/SANDSTORM ROAR!>

PUSH IN to the ZP ship as LIGHTNING hits a boulder <KRAAAK!> next to the ship. The boulder topples and strikes the ship, causing it to keel over and <SPLASH> into the river - which is quickly becoming a raging torrent. The ZPers tumble out.

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153) ZPERS

(ad lib shouts, cries)

Gorga, seeing their plight, frantically races OS after them.

PUSH IN TO THE ZPERS AND FOLLOW THEM DOWNRIVER as Zeeter inflates the emergency life raft in her tool belt. Everyone scrambles into the raft, which then goes careening down the rain-swollen river, through whitewater rapids, dodging LIGHTNING STRIKES and jagged rocks. [See map, last page.]

154) ZPERS

(excited walla, laughter)

GORGA sprints into frame, trying to catch up. He spots what the ZPers don't (can we zoom in?): up ahead of them, around a bend, the river drops off into a ROARING WATERFALL! Alarmed, Gorga goes racing after the ZPers. ***

PULL BACK to Truder, who's triumphant, even with rain, wind and sand swirling around him.

155) TRUDER

Now, I need just one more thing to make my day - the Kaboobie Ruby! ††

156) TRAXIE

The song says to look for the sign of the "X". (looks around) But I don't see an "X." Just a lot of angry wet worms.

Truder looks under rocks, in bushes, etc. Suddenly <KRAAK!> LIGHTNING strikes a tall pine tree, which falls against another pine - forming an "X"! Truder & Traxie's eyes widen. ***

157) TRUDER/TRAXIE

Bingo!

CAMERA FOLLOWS as he runs over and scrambles up the trunk (Traxie on his head), <HUFFING & PUFFING>, looking everywhere for the ruby, till he finally is just under an unguarded EAGLE'S NEST at the top. (He can't see into it.) *

158) TRUDER

(climbing) It's got to be in this tree! (sees nest) Aha! The nest!

He reaches up and grabs the nest, which he now sees contains TWO EGGS. Then he hears a <RUFFLE OF FEATHERS> behind him. He turns to find himself facing a very large angry MOTHER EAGLE. ***

159) TRUDER (CONT'D)

(gulps) Uh... this yours? *

He smiles sheepishly, putting back the nest. The eagle glares, then grabs him by the seat of his pants, as Truder's feet keep running in mid-air. ***

WHIP PAN TO GORGA, as he races to catch up with the ZPers before they reach the falls. He leaps atop a boulder at the river bend, just as they round the bend and see the falls. ***

160) BULA

Uh-oh! ! Waterfall comin' up!

Thinking fast, Gorga <VACCUMS> up the ZPers out of the raft, one at a time <FWOOT! FWOOT! FWOOT! FWOOT! FWOOT!>, just before the raft goes plummeting over the waterfall! <SPLASH> (They don't get drawn into Gorga's snout, but get sucked up AGAINST it, all squashed together like a conga line).

161) ZEETER

(*straining, squeezed*) Thanks, Gorga. Now... could you... let go?

<THUD!> Gorga releases them all, and they collapse on each other like a dogpile. Gorga LEAPS into Bula's arms like a happy puppy. Wizzy & Wigg fly over to them.

162) BULA

Gorga!

163) WIZZY

Oh, Gorga, we missed you so much!

164) WIGG

I'm so sorry for what I said. And I'm sorry I hurt your feelings.

Wigg gets a big slobbery <SLURP> of affection from Gorga. Zeeter and Multo join the group hug. Then Bula looks around.

165) BULA

We'll have to get all this weather back to where it came from. Gorga?

Gorga salutes. He steps back, girds himself, then, ears twirling, VACUUMS UP all the bad weather at once with a <HUGE INHALE>! Then, as he holds his breath, everyone looks around for a jar to deposit it. Nothing. Zeeter spots a "Keep Your Parks Clean" trash can, grabs the plastic trash bag liner from the can and holds it out to a worried Gorga, who's still holding his breath, his eyes bugging out. He gratefully <EXPELS> the weather into the trash bag, and Zeeter closes the top of the jumping, squirming bag (with an occasional lightning bolt escaping from the top). Gorga keels over <THUD!>, his eyes twirling so we see he's okay.

166) ZEETER

Great, we'll sort it out later.
Uh, anybody got a twist tie?

Bula hands her one from his pocket, and she seals the bag.
The awful weather has left behind a beautiful RAINBOW.

167) MULTO

Now that's what I call weather.

Bula starts to head back to the ship. *

168) BULA

Come on, troops. We've still got
to fish our ship out of the river
- AND deal with Dark Truder.

As she flies after them, Wizzy whips out her weather logbook
and starts to write. Wigg watches over her shoulder. As she
speaks, we see the various pictures she's drawn, with an
intersecting graph (see Deb Manchester for graph details),
& possibly highlights of the relevant scenes from the show. ***

169) WIZZY

"Dear Weather Log: I think we've
figured out if the weather on
other planets is exactly the same
as on Earth. *(as she writes)*
"After gathering, analyzing and
interpreting all the facts, our
conclusion is... ††

170) WIZZY & WIGG

...NO WAY! ††

171) ZEETER (OS)

Hey, look! ***

Everyone cranes their necks up to the sky to see Truder
(Traxie on his head) carried off by the angry mother eagle.

172) TRUDER

Let go of me, you overgrown
chicken! Put me down this instant! ***

173) TRAXIE

I told you this idea was for the
birds. There's no such thing as
the Kaboobie Ruby!

But as they are carried away, we PAN DOWN and PUSH IN CLOSE
to the "X"-shaped trees. There, in a hollow in the base of
the tree, sits the gleaming KABOOBIE RUBY.

23. ENDING MONTAGE

As The Zula Patrol ship is seen returning all the weather
elements to their proper planets in a quick montage:

174) ANNOUNCER

And so, once again, our heroes
have made a Kaboobie out of Dark
Truder. And the weather has never
been better - thanks to... *The Zula
Patrol!*

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FADE OUT

THE END

KABOOBIE RUBY SONG

Lyrics by Cydne Clark & Steve Granat, ASCAP

NOTE TO JEFF: 4/4 time, bouncy swing beat, major key.

(*sing*) Take a hurricane from Jupiter †
And Venus' cloudy skies,
Then add a Martian sandstorm
Of a super duper size,
You'll need some Earthly rainfall, so
Take everything you've got
Then mix it all to-gether
And stir it in a pot.

Then an X will mark, an X will mark the site, †
Of a gem of sheer, a gem of sheer delight,
And you'll know you've got, you'll know you've
got it right,
The astounding, confounding,
(*spoken*) The drums will all be pounding!
(*sung*) Kaboobie Ruby!

Then an X will mark, an X will mark the site, †
Of a gem of sheer, a gem of sheer delight,
And you'll know you've got, you'll know you've
got it right,
The astounding, confounding,
(*spoken*) The drums will all be pounding!
(*sung*) Kaboobie, Kaboobie, Kaboobie... Ruby!