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WHILE, AT THAT VERY MOMENT...
HAIL TO THE THUNDERCATS, GUARDIANS OF THUNDERA!
...AND HAIL TO LION-O, LEADER OF THE THUNDERCATS!
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HEY, THANK YOU, THAT'S ALL RIGHT... I'M NOT COMFORTABLE WEARING A CROWN.
OUR HARVEST FESTIVAL WILL NOW BEGIN WITH A SPECIAL DANCE IN HONOR OF THE SPIRITS OF THE SEA.
I COULD HAVE SWORN I HEARD SOMEONE YELL FOR HELP!
WHAT'S THAT I HEAR? LION-O! SOMEONE NEEDS THE THUNDERCATS!



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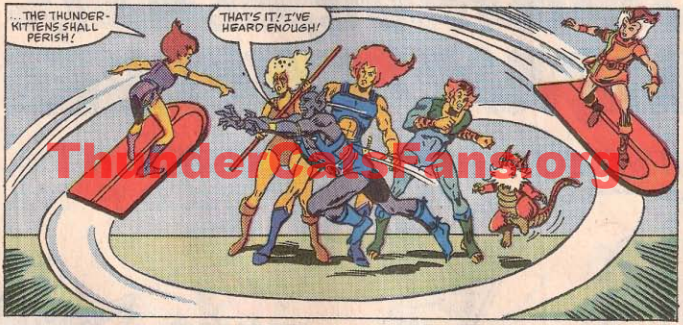




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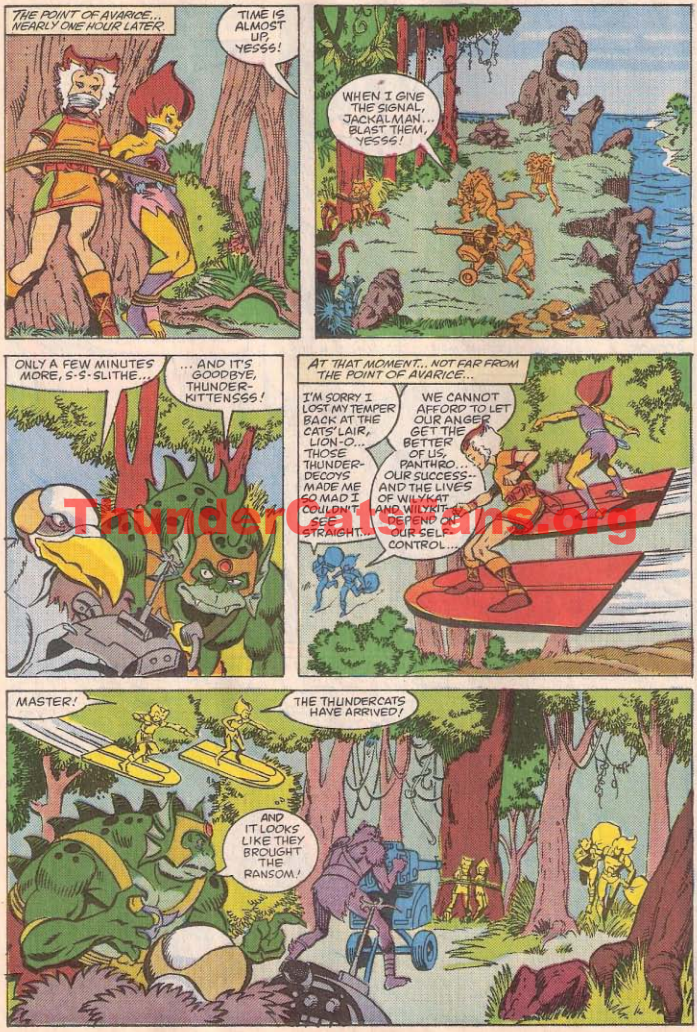
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Thundercats Ho!

My name is Joe. I'm thirty-five years old and I've been collecting comics ever since I was ten. I think that THUNDERCATS is the best comic that Marvel (Star) has put out so far. I was really glad to see THUNDERCATS go monthly — now I can keep up with the action *every* month.

I'd like to suggest a Who's Who of Third Earth! You did a handbook of the Marvel Universe — I'm sure most of your readers would like to know something about the assorted beings who live on or have visited Third Earth, like the Berbits, or the Tree Dwellers, or Wizz-Ra, or the Snowman on Hook Mountain. You could write about their special abilities, or the weapons they use, just a brief description of each one. I'm sure it would be a big hit.

I was very fortunate recently to see all five episodes of THUNDERCATS HO! the movie on our local TV station, and was surprised to see some of the other ThunDERians had survived the destruction of their beloved ThunDERa.

Whenever I meet new friends I tell them I collect comics and that my favorite is THUNDERCATS. Reading it helps me to relax and actually smoothes out some of the rough spots that can really mess up a person's day and make him feel bad. The world is so messed up with crime and violence that a person needs something to help ease the tension these things bring on.

Well, my friends, this letter has gone longer than it should have so I'll stop here, saying keep up the good work and I'll keep buying your comics as long as you keep printing them! Until next time, Thundercats Ho!

Joe Stacy
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It's always good to hear from our readers, both young and old, but it makes it *especially* good when we hear that we've helped brighten someone's day.

WILYKAT'S WACKY WORDS OF WILD AND WAGGISH WISDOM

"MUST BE TOUGH ON LION-O, BEING LEADER OF THE THUNDERCATS, HE CAN'T GOOF OFF TOO MUCH!"

Next, we present another reader — and one with a possible solution to . . . *THE GREAT LION-O AGING CONTROVERSY*

Dear Thundercats,

My daughter and nieces got me hooked on your cartoon and comics. You're never too old to learn the lessons of truth, honor, justice and loyalty.

In THUNDERCATS #16 you asked readers to send in ideas as to why Lion-O aged in the sleep capsule during the voyage to Third Earth and the others didn't. Well, Jaga knew that the Thundercats would need an adult leader, but one with the youth, strength, and vitality to survive, so when Jaga programmed the life pods, he put all of the Thundercats except for Lion-O into hibernation. Lion-O was just put into a deep sleep long enough for him to reach adulthood, and Third Earth.

Keep up the good work. I feel safer knowing you're on Third Earth.

Cheryl M. Harbison
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Good answer, Cheryl! Now it's time for the rest of you out there to write in with *your* ideas! Got a hunch as to why Lion-O aged in the sleep capsule while the rest of the Thundercats retained their youthful figures? Let us know!

Dear Thundercats,

I've just finished reading THUNDERCATS #18, and as always, it was "purr-fect." I am eighteen years old and really enjoy your storyline.

Regarding Lion-O's father, isn't it possible that he escaped from ThunDERa in a gravity capsule? This had been alluded to in the TV episode "Return to Thundera." I hope you'll bring him back in the comic!

As for the difference between Lion-O's and the Thunderkittens' ages, here's my explanation:

A lion is a different breed of cat, and unlike the ordinary type house cat (which Wilykit and Wilykat are), they age differently.

A lion may be large but have the mind of a child, as Lion-O had when he arrived on Third Earth.

So when Lion-O and the Thunderkittens were put into suspended animation, they continued to *age* at the same rate but they just naturally *grew* at different rates.

So there you have it, the explanation of the age difference.

There is still another question: How old *is* Lion-O?

I think your comic has come a long way since the beginning. The story counts, along with great art!

Len Carter
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Thanks for yet *another* great explanation, Len! With the help of all you readers out there, we'll solve this mystery yet!

THUNDERPALS

And now, we reach that special section we devote each month to printing names and addresses of the readers who wish to write to — and recieve letters from — other THUNDERCATS fans! Do *you* want to be a THUNDERPAL? Write to THUNDERPALS, care of Marvel Comics!

This month's first THUNDERPAL is:
Jeff Roler
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Age: 15
Favorite Thundercat: Lion-O



Dear Thundercats,

My name is Angelita Fleming and I am fifteen years old. I love the Thundercats, especially Tygra. (I have a crush on him.) I love the TV show and the comic book. They're G-R-E-A-T!! Now for the questions:

1) Why is Mumm-Ra so ugly and why does he have saliva hanging from his teeth?
2) Does Tygra have a girlfriend?
3) Does Lion-O have a twin sister?

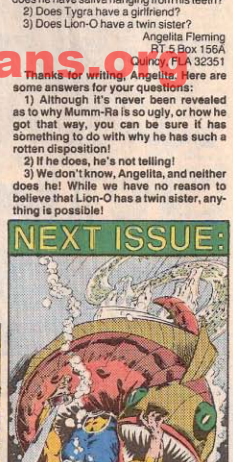
Angelita Fleming
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Quincy, FLA 32351

Thanks for writing, Angelita. Here are some answers for your questions:

1) Although it's never been revealed as to why Mumm-Ra is so ugly, or how he got that way, you can be sure it has something to do with why he has such a rotten disposition!

2) If he does, he's not telling!

3) We don't know, Angelita, and neither does he! While we have no reason to believe that Lion-O has a twin sister, anything is possible!



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