

VOLUPTUA, GARRISON SIDE 1

QUEEN'S THRONE ROOM

(ZEMA and PANDA enter with
GARRISON)

VOLUPTUA

Come in, Commander.

GARRISON steps toward her.
ZEMA and PANDA exit

VOLUPTUA (CONT'D)

(putting on the charm)

Thank you for coming, Commander. May I call you Clark?

GARRISON

Of course, Your Majesty.

VOLUPTUA

That's too formal. Please call me Voluptua.

GARRISON

Sure. Voluptua.

VOLUPTUA

I like the way you say it. The way it rolls off your tongue.
Say it again.

(GARRISON is becoming very
uncomfortable)

GARRISON

Voluptua.

(She moves close to him,
but he steps away.)

GARRISON (CONT'D)

How can I help you, Queen Voluptua?

(She offers him a seat on
the bench next to the table
with two goblets)

VOLUPTUA

Would you like refreshment? I have--

GARRISON

(interrupting)

No, thanks. Not thirsty.

VOLUPTUA

As you wish... Just a little?...

GARRISON

Nope.

(She sits next to him,
stares into his eyes. He
struggles to look away)

GARRISON (CONT'D)

Your Majesty, please don't do that.

VOLUPTUA

What is it you think I'm doing, Clark?

GARRISON

Well, as we'd say in my part of the country, you're trying to put the whammy on me.

VOLUPTUA

The whammy?!

GARRISON

All that voodoo hoodoo stuff you're doing staring into eyes.

VOLUPTUA

Voodoo hoodoo. Whammy. What curious words.

GARRISON

Your Majesty, Voluptua, with all due respect, I'm just saying, we could probably get things accomplished much quicker without the flirtation.

VOLUPTUA

You don't find me attractive?

GARRISON

No, I do. Of course, I do. After all, you put the whammy on me. Now, Queen, we are here to help. What can we do?

VOLUPTUA

Take us to Earth, Clark. We will all be dead soon if we stay here.

GARRISON

We're not able to this time. We lost too much fuel evading a meteor shower.

VOLUPTUA

A meteor shower?

GARRISON

You don't know what a meteor shower is?

VOLUPTUA

Of course I know what a meteor shower is. I'm 26,000 years old. I wasn't born yesterday.

GARRISON

You're 26,000 years --

VOLUPTUA

We age slowly here.

GARRISON

How do you stay looking so young?

VOLUPTUA

It's largely in the diet.

GARRISON

You are a fascinating race. Trust me, Earth's entire scientific community is going to want to come here and study your civilization. You will be rescued.

(VOLUPTUA gazes into his eyes)

VOLUPTUA

I like your words, Clark. But when I look into your mind, I detect deception. You're like all men.

GARRISON

No, Voluptua, I'm not lying to you. We are here to help you. I wish I knew how to gain your trust.

VOLUPTUA

You could start by kissing me.

(She moves in for a kiss.
He resists)

GARRISON

I don't think that would be a good idea, Your Majesty.

VOLUPTUA

Are you sure?