

SCREENPLAY

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FADE IN

Blue galaxy is shown, full of little stars. Suddenly a brown, purple-fired flying ship appears from the left side of the camera, moving forward, off the camera.

Epic music is playing.

V.O. (Man's voice)

There was a time when we all spread onto different planets, but we never forgot our mother, the Earth. We, the humans, understood that we were descended from higher human species, called the Herminoids. And that we were not alone in this universe... We understood there were others, many others... Some of them were friends to us, and some of them - enemies... Some of ours were enemies to us as well... The universe soon drew into the war for conquering planets, and for dominating the Earth.

These battles lasted for too long, and to avoid this chaos once and forever, human race formed a strong coalition, called Galaxy Navy.

Galaxy Navy put an end to these constant wars, but now other problem was created - some of the criminals ran away and formed crews, and turned into pirates... galaxy pirates.

This story that I'm going to tell you happened in those times, in times when I was young. I remember how I appeared on one of those pirate ships, but it was different from others... How? I'm going to show you now...

DISSOLVE TO:

A white planet is shown. The camera slowly approaches it, showing countries, then cities, and then a little city with white buildings, then a huge building with golden letters on it: "Hydropian Gem", and below it: "Restaurant".

The camera leads us into this building and shows us a huge golden hall, which is full of white tables, where there are richly dressed people and different species of aliens sitting. Beautifully dressed waiters are serving them.

The camera approaches one of the tables, where there is a richly dressed blond woman sitting, together with a brown Aessedian woman who has big black eyes, and a green maid.

AESSEDIAN WOMAN

So, as I told you, my son wanted to enter the Galaxy Navy too, but they don't allow him as he's still very small...

BLOND WOMAN

(Smiles)

I think we can arrange this, Mrs. Uruss. My son has a very strong position in the navy - he's a captain's mate on one of the biggest ships, called Galaxy Navy. I think he will be able to help your son.

AESSEDIAN

Aw, that would be formidable!

BLOND WOMAN

(Smiles kindly)

GREEN MAID

(Looks at the blond woman)

It is great to have your son serving the balance, Mrs. Elessey. They count the soldiers as heroes...

(She sips the red wine)

MRS. ELESSEY

(Giggles)

I know. Oh, here he comes.

Camera shows the door, from where a tall young man dressed in blue soldier clothes enters. He has a brown long hair and light blue eyes. He looks intelligent, serious, and determined. Some armed soldiers follow him. He walks up to the women and bows as a sign of greeting. The women smile, the blond one especially.

MRS. ELESSEY (CONT'D)

Hello Damien, welcome back.

DAMIEN

Hello mother. Thank you. May I sit?

Damien gives the sign to soldiers to leave. They fulfill his silent command.

MRS. ELESSEY

Sure you may.

DAMIEN

Thanks.

(Sits)

GREEN MAID

So, how is your work, Damien?

DAMIEN

Normal, normal... Nothing serious...

(Puckers)

Just those pirates are playing on my nerves already... I feel so tired... The captain orders us to run up and down, and still nothing!

GREEN MAID

(Giggles)

It is fine, I'm sure you will succeed.

DAMIEN

(Smiles)

Thank you, Nora.

MRS. URUSS

Damien, dear, will you help my son to enter the Galaxy Navy?

DAMIEN

Isn't he too young for that?

(Raises eyebrow)

MRS. URUSS

Uh why do people keep saying that? Sure he's not! Please, Damien, you're our only chance!

DAMIEN

Fine, I have no objections... I will gladly help.

MRS. URUSS

Oh, thank you so much, Damien!

MRS. ELESSEY

(Smiles)

MRS. URUSS

My little son is so excited to enter the Galaxy Navy!

(MORE)

MRS. URUSS (CONT'D)

His dream was to see the legendary blue ship of the seven galaxies, the Shark Tooth...

Everybody widen eyes.

DAMIEN

The well-known ship of heartless young pirates?! No way!

MRS. URUSS

Yes, no matter how strange it may seem. He knows they're criminals, but he still wants to see them, he somehow still feels fascinated... I don't know why though.

(Shrugs)

DAMIEN

Hmm... Strange...

FADE OUT.

FADE IN.

Night. A big ship appears with multiple windows. Camera enters one of the windows and shows a wooden room with a bed at the window, where there is Damien lying, looking at the stars. He has put his hands under his head, and is fallen in his thoughts.

DAMIEN (CONT'D)

(Thinks)

Mrs. Uruss's child was fascinated by the Shark Tooth... I can't understand why... Why you should be fascinated by a crew of dangerous criminals? But generally the criminals are what attract the children... This world is so mysterious... I also liked pirates when I was young...

The camera looks out of the window, showing the starry sky.

V.O. (Man's voice)

At that time I couldn't understand why children were attracted by pirates, these heartless criminals who didn't mercy anyone... My aim was to exterminate them all, as my captain ordered me, but who knew that at that night everything would change..?

The room shakes. Damien leaps up, frightened.

DAMIEN (CONT'D)  
 What's happening?!  
 (Looks at the floor)

The room shakes again. Damien falls on the floor. He quickly gets up and runs out of his room, seeing the soldiers running through the corridors, startled.

DAMIEN (CONT'D)  
 What's wrong?

ONE OF THE SOLDIERS  
 (Stops)  
 A pirate ship! A pirate ship  
 attacked us!  
 (Runs)

Damien widens eyes. He puckers. He takes a gun from his room and runs through the corridors, running up to one of the cannons and looking out of the window, seeing a huge brown ship, glowing blue... Damien widens eyes.

DAMIEN  
 Shark Tooth...  
 (Whispers)

Damien lights up the cannon and shoots the bomb, damaging the pirate vessel. They shoot from there too and damage his side. He falls on the floor, wounded.

DAMIEN (CONT'D)  
 Ahh...  
 (Moans)

There can be heard soldiers' shrieks, and buzzes of bombs. The soldier ship gets badly damaged. There is heard a shout from afar.

O.S.(Man's voice)  
 Boarding!!! Follow me!!!

Instantly pops of pistols, cracks of swords, and shrieks of soldiers are heard. Damien's vision blurs. He blacks out.

INT. A GREY CABIN.

Damien is lying on bed, and his wound on the chest is bandaged. He quietly moans and slowly opens eyes.

DAMIEN

Huh?

(Looks around surprised.  
Groans and grimaces,  
trying to stand up, but  
can't and still lies on  
the bed)

Where am I?

The door creaks.

DAMIEN (CONT'D)

Huh?

(He looks at it)

The door opens and a young, pitch black-haired, brown-eyed black girl walks in. She has her short wavy hair tied in a bun, and wears yellow cosmic pirate clothes. She looks at Damien with curious and lively eyes, and walks up to him. Damien looks at her astonished and frightened, moving back, grimacing and moaning at the same minute.

PIRATE GIRL

No, no, don't move...

(Walks up to him and puts  
her warm hand on his  
bandaged chest)

Damien looks at her, surprised, without saying a word.

The pirate girl giggles kindly.

Damien notices a skull and swords sign on the girl's chest.

DAMIEN

You... you're a pirate?!  
(Widens eyes)

PIRATE GIRL

Yes. This is a pirate ship.

DAMIEN

(Still eyes widened)  
No...

PIRATE GIRL

(Smiles)  
By the way, my name is Janette. And  
what's yours?  
(Sits on the edge of his  
bed)

DAMIEN

I'm Damien...

(Looks around)

Please don't tell me I'm on the  
young pirates' ship...

(Has a worried face)

JANETTE

(Giggles)

I'm sorry to sadden you, but you're  
exactly there.

DAMIEN

(Widens eyes)

No...

JANETTE

Don't worry. Everything will be  
fine.

DAMIEN

(Sighs)

I've heard your captain doesn't  
spare lives lately... After one guy  
trying to raise a mutiny on his  
ship...

JANETTE

Well, the captain's mate has spared  
your life, so I think captain will  
spare you too...

(Giggles)

Now take a rest. I will soon bring  
you dinner, you must be hungry.

(Gets up and walks out)

Damien looks at the ceiling, his hands put under his head.

Camera looks at Damien from above, south-west corner.

V.O. (Man's voice)

At that minute I guessed how big  
trouble I got in. I was on Shark  
Tooth as a hostage! It didn't mean  
anything good. The rumours were  
spread that the young pirates  
didn't mercy their hostages... I  
didn't know what to do. I was in  
despair. I was scared, really  
scared...



INT. ROYAL PALACE OF THE KING OF HYDROPIA. GREAT HALL.

The whole hall is golden. There is a huge throne at the wall, where there is an old king sitting, and there are his viziers standing. The king has a saddened, tired face.

A middle-aged man in white peruke is standing in front of the king in the great hall. He wears blue clothes of a naval soldier, and has his hands put back as a real soldier does. He has a proud, mocking expression.

KING

Welcome, Sir Jonathan Hartford. I'm glad you found your time to come and visit us.

JONATHAN

(Bows)

I'm honoured to be invited by you, your majesty.

KING

We've decided to assign you as a vice-admiral of the Galaxy Navy fleets. From now on, you're in charge of catching a very dangerous criminal, the last Herminoid.

JONATHAN

(Smirks)

I assure you, your majesty, I will finish him off.

(Bows)

KING

(Smiles contently)

You will work with Captain Diego Jimenez, the leader of our glorious and the most destructive ship, Planetary Chaos.

JONATHAN

(Bows again)

I will gladly collaborate with Señor Jimenez.

KING

(Smiles)

Well then, take measures and depart.

JONATHAN

Yes, your majesty.

(Bows once again.)

(MORE)

JONATHAN (CONT'D)  
Turns around and walks  
slowly to the door. Goes  
out)

The king's GRAND VIZIER is standing on the right side of the king's throne. He whispers to the king.

GRAND VIZIER  
You think he's good for this job,  
your majesty? He looks too proud  
and self-assured...

KING  
(Giggles)  
Oh, Lord Cunnington, we need  
exactly those kinds of men these  
days...

The grand vizier smiles.

INT. THE GREY CABIN.

Damien is lying on the bed, fallen in his thoughts. Suddenly the door creaks.

DAMIEN  
(Gets surprised)  
Huh?  
(Looks attentively at the  
door)

The door opens and two young boys walk in. They are over eighteen years old.

ONE OF THE BOYS  
(to Damien)  
Captain wants to see you. Come on!

They grab him and drag him out of the room. Damien moans and frowns. They take him through corridors.

They lead Damien onto the deck and then into the captain's cabin. There are many young boys standing, also, some young girls. There is also Janette.

The room is wooden. There is a wooden table in its center, and a wooden chair at it. There is a poor wooden bed at the wall.

There is a map on the table, full of red and blue dots. Also, there are some books and notebooks.

The boys drag Damien into the room and push him dropping him on the floor.

DAMIEN

Uh!  
(Falls. Winches)

One of the boys standing in the room, JEFFREY, has short brown hair and light blue eyes. Wears light blue cosmic pirate suit, with skull and swords sign on it just like Janette had.

JEFFREY

Huh, I think we should straightly kill him, he's Galaxy Navy's captain's mate...

Another boy, MAXIMILIAN, has long pitch black hair and small brown eyes, also, copper-coloured skin. He wears red cosmic pirate suit.

MAXIMILIAN

Former captain's...  
(Giggles)

DAMIEN

(Widens eyes)  
Former captain's?! What's wrong with him?!

JEFFREY

Nothing, he's dead.

DAMIEN

(Eyes widened)  
No...  
(Looks at the floor)

JEFFREY

(Raises eyebrow)  
Whatever... Now you'd better think about your own self... You're not in a better condition...

DAMIEN

(Frowns)  
I'm not afraid of you!

One of the girls standing in the room, DIANA, is black, with long black hair tied in a bun, and black eyes. She is puckering. She aims a futuristic steel pistol at Damien.

DIANA

We all know that's a lie.

DAMIEN

(Frowns)

Even if you kill me, the Galaxy  
Navy soldiers will exterminate you!

O.S. (Man's voice, deep and calm)

That is what you really want?

DAMIEN (CONT'D)

(Widens eyes)

Huh?

(Looks at the dark corner  
of the room)

A tall man in pitch black pirate clothes walks out of there. He is wearing a slouch-hat that is hiding his face. Only his cocoa-coloured hair is shown. Has a tan skin. Wears black gloves on hands and black boots on feet. Has girt a golden-handled laser sword and put a futuristic steel pistol in pocket. Damien's eyes are widened.

DAMIEN (CONT'D)

No...

BLACK-CLOTHED MAN

I can spare your life, but answer  
me on this important question -  
what is that you really want?

Damien looks down at the floor and thinks.

V.O. (Man's voice)

I knew it was an intersection  
between my life and death. One  
word, only one word could save me,  
or, on the contrary - kill me. It  
was a hard decision to make, but at  
last, I dared to say it out.

DAMIEN

(Looks up at the black-  
clothed man, frowning)

The thing I really want is to bring  
balance to this world!

BLACK-CLOTHED MAN

(Stands motionless. Then  
speaks calmly)

Wrong.

(Aims the pistol at  
Damien)

JANETTE

No!

(Runs up to the black-clothed man and grabs his hand)

The black-clothed man looks at Janette.

JANETTE (CONT'D)

Please, spare his life! He is just a young boy, he doesn't know yet! Let him stay on our ship and then he will learn what his true self is...

(Has a worried face)

BLACK-CLOTHED MAN

(Puts the pistol back in pocket)

Let it be, but only because you asked me to.

He pats her on cheek and walks back into the dark corner, swinging his hand and giving sign to the boys to drag Damien back into his cabin. They take him out.

Damien watches Janette.

Janette watches him with worried eyes.

INT. SOLAR SYSTEM. NEAR JUPITER.

A cosmic sailing ship floats into the universe. It has purple sails. It's huge, with multiple windows, from where there are cannons seen.

Jonathan Hartford and another man, SEÑOR JIMENEZ, with a long wavy paruke, are standing on the deck, at the bow.

JONATHAN HARTFORD

(Smirks)

Our journey has begun, Señor Jimenez. Now we will catch that pirate together, and hang him publicly on Earth.

SEÑOR JIMENEZ

(Smiles)

Oh, I can't wait! Finally I will be able to get rid of that irritating robber! I've been rushing after him for many years... he has made me tired... At last I will relax...

JONATHAN HARTFORD  
(Smiles contently)  
Be sure of that.

INT. A GREY CABIN.

Damien is lying on his grey bed. He's fallen in his thoughts.  
Suddenly he hears a knock on the door.

DAMIEN  
(Surprised)  
Come in!

JANETTE  
(Enters. Looks at him with  
sad eyes)  
Are you okay?

DAMIEN  
Yeah. Thank you... for saving my  
life...  
(Looks at her with  
grateful eyes)

JANETTE  
(Smiles slightly)  
You're welcome...

DAMIEN  
But still, why did you do that?  
(Is surprised)

JANETTE  
(Looks down)  
Because you're not like them...

DAMIEN  
(Raises eyebrow)  
Like whom?

JANETTE  
Like other soldiers... They have evil  
eyes, and they try to exterminate  
us just because we're asking for  
justice and freedom...

DAMIEN  
But the soldiers try to bring  
balance, and to get rid of the  
bandits...

JANETTE

You don't understand... Not all of us are bandits. We, the young pirates, fight for justice and freedom, and our brothers and sisters, the pirates of this galaxy, also fight for that... But still, the soldiers and the ministers count us as bandits...

DAMIEN

(Raises eyebrow. Chuckles)  
So you want to say that pillaging and plundering ships and planets is a fight for justice? I definitely don't understand that.

JANETTE

That was the only way left. Our captain is a wise person, he knows what he's doing. He's our friend. He's our brother. We all are brothers and sisters here, some are even soulmates to each other...

DAMIEN

(Giggles)  
What about you? Do you have a soulmate?

JANETTE

(Smiles)  
No, I don't.

DAMIEN

So, how do you think, what they will do with me?

JANETTE

(Smiles)  
From now on you're our crew member, and you must fight for justice just like us.

DAMIEN

You mean, pillage and plunder?  
(Smiles mockingly)

JANETTE

(Giggles)  
Well, if you want, you may call it so.

DAMIEN

And if I don't accept to help you?

JANETTE

Then I won't be able to stop the captain from killing you.

(Smirks)

DAMIEN

(Giggles)

I like the idea of joining the crew.

JANETTE

(Laughs)

Then you will need this, new recruit.

(Hands him a futuristic steel pistol)

And also this.

(Gives him a laser sword)

DAMIEN

(Observes the weapons.

Smiles)

Thank you.

JANETTE

Captain assigned me as your teacher, so come on the deck and let's start the lesson.

Damien giggles. They go out of the room, follow the corridors and stairs and arrive on the deck. There is a starry galaxy shown full of meteors and other substances.

INT. THE DECK OF SHARK TOOTH.

The youths are fussing on the deck. Some are setting the sails, some are jumping on the ropes of the masts, Diana, the harbinger, is watching the galaxy with a spyglass, some youths are playing chess, backgammon and cards, some are reading books, some are spending time together, mainly lovers.

Janette leads Damien in the middle of the ship and takes out her yellow laser sword. Damien takes his green one. They start swinging them to each other, and parrying each other's attacks.

JANETTE

You fight well, new recruit!

(Giggles)



DAMIEN

(Smirks)

Well I'm a trained soldier, don't forget that!

They're fighting, when suddenly the captain's cabin's door opens and the black-clothed man walks out, walking to the bow. Damien stops fighting and stares at him. Janette also looks at him, then back at Damien, and smiles.

JANETTE

What's wrong?

DAMIEN

Just... I'm so interested in that guy... They say he's the last Herminoid...

JANETTE

(Smiles)

Yes, he is. That is why he understands more than us.

DAMIEN

Why is he hiding his face?  
(Raises eyebrow)

JANETTE

He swore he would never show his face until justice was established in the universe...

DAMIEN

(Chuckles)

Well then he's doomed to never take off his hat...

JANETTE

(Raises eyebrow. Smiles)

He still has faith at least, unlike you. You, soldiers, don't believe in anything, that's why you will never accomplish your goal and bring balance.

DAMIEN

(Smiles)

Well, we love to be realists. The one who's not a realist but a dreamer never succeeds to get in our fleet...

(His smile disappears. He looks down)

(MORE)

DAMIEN (CONT'D)  
 I once had a friend... His name was  
 Jacques... He wanted to join the  
 Galaxy Navy, just like me,  
 although, he was a dreamer..

DISSOLVE TO

EXT. A BIG WHITE PALACE.

Beautiful gardens are shown. Two little boys, one of them  
 being Damien and the second JACQUES, - a cocoa-coloured  
 haired, light blue-eyed, tan-skinned boy, - are playing  
 together and giggling.

DAMIEN  
 I want to be a soldier when I grow  
 up!  
 (Plays with a toy ship)

JACQUES  
 Me too!  
 (Giggles)  
 And when I do, I will finally  
 establish justice into the world,  
 so there will be no more unhappy  
 people! Everything will be just,  
 there won't be corruptions, there  
 will only be happiness, joy and  
 kindness!

DAMIEN  
 But Jacques, soldiers strive to  
 bring balance, not justice!

JACQUES  
 Justice and balance are the same!

V.O. (DAMIEN)

Alas, only when we grew up we  
 understood that justice and balance  
 were not the same, but the complete  
 opposite to each other... I followed  
 my path and became a soldier, but  
 Jacques, disappointed that his  
 dreams didn't come true, but were  
 broken instead, left the army, and  
 left us, saying he would wander the  
 world and search for the true  
 justice... Since then, I've never  
 seen him... He was my best friend...  
 After him I've never had any  
 friends...

JANETTE

(Has a pity on Damien.  
Puts hand on his  
shoulder)

Don't worry, Damien... Here you will  
definitely befriend someone, and  
what's more, who knows, if you  
wander like us in galaxy, you will  
once find your old friend..

(Smiles)

DAMIEN

(Smiles to her)

Thank you for your words full of  
hope..

They smile to each other.

The black-clothed man, the captain, ferociously cries.

CAPTAIN

Take the measures! A merchant  
vessel approaches!

The youths instantly start fussing on the board.

JANETTE

(to Damien)

We must prepare! Come on!  
(She grabs his hand and  
stands at the right side  
of the ship, from where  
the merchant vessel  
approaches)

INT. THE MERCHANT VESSEL

The sailors see the blue glowing ship approaching them, and  
start shrieking.

SAILORS

Pirates! Bandits! Robbers!

They muddle. The blue ship approaches them, bombing them from  
afar. It then stops beside them. The hooks are thrown onto  
the merchant vessel, and there is heard a terrible battle  
cry.

O.S. (Captain's voice)

Boarding! Follow me!

Instantly the pirates jump onto the merchant vessel and  
grapple with the sailors.

Damien doesn't leave Shark Tooth, and watches slaughter from aside, his eyes widened seeing such mercilessness.

Janette is furiously fighting on the vessel, together with her mates.

V.O. (Man's voice)

At that time I couldn't understand how this slaughter was meant to be a fight for justice. For me, it was a merciless massacre..

INT. THE GREY CABIN.

Damien is sitting on his bed, looking down at the floor, staring at his futuristic pistol, playing with it.

Suddenly the door opens and Janette walks in.

JANETTE

(Smiles)

What are you doing?

DAMIEN

Thinking what to choose - piracy or death.

(Looks at her obliquely)

JANETTE

(Sighs tiredly. Walks up to him, smiling)

You got scared seeing the fight?

DAMIEN

(Scowls)

It's not about fear, but about belief. I cannot believe that true justice is slaying innocent people for no reason.

JANETTE

(Sits beside him)

But you think balance is throwing people with different opinions into jail?

DAMIEN

If it's needed, then yes.

(Frowns)

JANETTE

(Looks down. Sighs)

Then I guess I was wrong about you.

(MORE)

JANETTE (CONT'D)  
 You're just like the others.  
 (Walks out)

Damien falls back into his thoughts and frowns.

INT. HYDROPIAN POLICE OFFICE.

Mrs. Elessey is worriedly watching the police officers. The officers are holding papers, looking at them.

POLICE OFFICER  
 Sorry madam. Research shows there  
 is no trace of him.

MRS. ELESSEY  
 (Tears stream down her  
 cheeks)  
 But... but you can't leave it! You  
 must find him, he's my only child!

POLICE OFFICER  
 We're truly sorry madam, but  
 there's nothing more we can do.  
 Apparently, pirates kidnapped him.

MRS. ELESSEY  
 Oh, my goodness!  
 (Cries)

INT. SHARK TOOTH DECK.

Damien is walking on the board, and then stands at the bow, putting his hands back and looking far across the distance. He scowls.

O.S. (Captain's voice)  
 So you think what we do is wrong  
 Damien?

Damien surprisedly looks back and sees the black-clothed captain. He scowls.

DAMIEN  
 Yes, I do think like that!

CAPTAIN  
 (Stands beside him. Puts  
 his hands back too and  
 looks far across the  
 galaxy)  
 Then what do you think is just to  
 do?

DAMIEN

Fight for what's right, but not to  
kill innocent people for no reason!

CAPTAIN

(Chuckles)

You mean, start manifestations? You  
know people tried to bring justice  
like that a long time ago, but  
didn't succeed, because without  
bloody hand nobody can show their  
strength...

DAMIEN

(Frowns)

Nonsense!

CAPTAIN

(Smiles)

Don't your rulers do the same? Show  
their strength by spilling blood?

DAMIEN

(Frowns)

They spill blood of bandits, not of  
peaceful merchants!

CAPTAIN

Bandits? As I understand, balance  
means that bandits and merchants  
should be treated equally... Don't  
you think so?

DAMIEN

You said you're fighting for  
justice, not for balance!

(Frowns)

CAPTAIN

(Chuckles)

I'm fighting by Galaxy Navy's  
rules, because otherwise they can't  
understand the game...

Damien attentively looks at the captain, frowning. He notices  
his cocoa-coloured hair. He looks down, and walks off.

INT. GALAXY.

Two ships - purple-sailed ship, Planetary Chaos, and blue  
glowing ship, Shark Tooth, approach each other. There are  
Jonathan Hartford and Diego Jimenez standing on Planetary  
Chaos, and young captain and his crew - on Shark Tooth.

YOUNG CAPTAIN  
Bomb the enemy!

Shark Tooth starts shooting bombs to Planetary Chaos.

JONATHAN  
(Chuckles)  
Bomb these scoundrels!

Planetary Chaos starts shooting bombs to Shark Tooth too. Blue and purple bombs are mixed in each other. The ships stand beside each other. Hooks are thrown onto Planetary Chaos, and young captain cries ferociously.

YOUNG CAPTAIN  
Boarding!!! Follow me!!!

The young pirates cry and jump onto Planetary Chaos, grappling with the soldiers with laser swords and pistols.

Damien runs out on the deck, throws hook onto Planetary Chaos and jumps there, frowningly searching for the young captain. Some soldiers attack him, thinking he's a pirate too. He parries them and notices the young captain. He runs up to him.

The captain is fighting with Jonathan Hartford, swinging his blue laser sword. Jonathan is frowning, swinging sword furiously, already sweating from tiredness.

Suddenly Damien stabs his green laser sword into young captain's chest!

Janette sees this and shrieks.

JANETTE  
No!!!

The pirates get scared and perplexed. The soldiers attack them furiously.

Jonathan smiles at Damien.

JONATHAN  
Thank you, pirate.

DAMIEN  
(Frowns)  
I'm not a pirate! I'm a soldier, I fight for balance! I'm Damien  
Elessey!

JONATHAN

(Smiles)

Ah, I know you! You're the one who got kidnapped by pirates! You're the Galaxy Navy's captain's mate, aren't you?

DAMIEN

(Nods)

Yes.

JONATHAN

Well then, thank you, my friend. You just defeated the most dangerous enemy to mankind, the last Herminoid.

DAMIEN

(Smiles)

Then let's see who was hiding under this black hat all this time.

Damien pulls off the unconscious captain's hat. It is a cocoa-coloured haired, light blue-eyed, tan-skinned boy. Damien widens eyes.

DAMIEN (CONT'D)

No, it can't be...

(Whispers)

Jacques...

The soldiers defeat the pirates and take them as captives. Jonathan contently smiles. They take Shark Tooth and sail away.

INT. HYDROPIAN PRISON.

There are the young pirates locked up in grey cells. There is a special cell, locked up with chains. Camera enters it and shows us the young captain, chained in the corner, sitting on the floor, fallen in his thoughts. He isn't wearing his hat and his face is fully shown. His light blue eyes are twinkling. He has a sad face.

O.S.

Footsteps are heard.

The young captain raises his head and looks at the door, which creaks and Damien, now wearing his blue soldier clothes again, walks in, looking down at him. Young captain looks aside.



DAMIEN

(Frowns)

You have no right to treat me like that! You were the one who left us all, just because you wanted to search justice that doesn't exist, and will never exist! I had no friends except you, I loved you, and you showed me your back, and now you're doing the same! You didn't even tell me you were the last Herminoid! Is it how you trusted me, did you even consider me as your friend?!

(Is terribly angry)

YOUNG CAPTAIN

(Sighs)

So you still don't understand what justice means, after all this time... I want to ask the question I asked you before, Damien.

(Looks up at him)

What is that you really want?

DAMIEN

(Frowns. Clenches his fist)

Why do you always ask me that question?!

YOUNG CAPTAIN

Because I see you're not completely sure who you are.

(Smiles)

DAMIEN

And you think you know?! If you knew who you are, you wouldn't kill those innocent merchants!

YOUNG CAPTAIN

I have never killed innocent people...

(Looks down)

Those merchants treated other races like dogs... Justice means that all races have equal rights to be free, and the human merchants treat other races as their servants and slaves... Believe me, Damien, I have seen a lot while wandering the world, so I know what I'm saying.

(MORE)

## YOUNG CAPTAIN (CONT'D)

I have never attacked innocent people, only the ones who treated others badly.

(Looks up at him)

I was trying to establish justice, to show people that there can be the other way, and by establishing justice I mean not killing merchants who themselves impoverish many other people, but establishing complete democracy on my ship, to show others that the justice can be achieved... That is what I did, and by defeating us for the purpose to exterminate our crew, you are destroying the last glimpse of justice in the world... I believe that if only one person strives for justice, and is treating others kindly, there can be hope to achieve the peace someday... But, as I see, you still think that justice and balance are the same, as we both thought before... Good luck in achieving your dreams, old friend, even if I know you have none...

(Looks aside again)

## DAMIEN

(Frowns. Clenches his fist. Then can't resist anymore and tears stream down his cheeks. Falls onto his knees, hanging his head)

You're absolutely right, Jacques... I don't know who I am... I don't know what I want... I never knew... I always loved you and respected you because you... you always knew who you were, and what you wanted...

(Cries)

Forgive me brother... I was angry with you when I should have been angry with my own self... I was wrong, terribly wrong...

## YOUNG CAPTAIN

(Looks up at him)

Now say it out, Damien, what is it that you really want?

DAMIEN

(Looks up. Frowns)

I want to fight side by side with you! I want to follow you, be with you, and establish justice together with you! I want to be free!

YOUNG CAPTAIN

(Beams)

INT. HYDROPIAN PRISON CORRIDORS.

Young captain, freed from the chains, holding his pistol and laser sword, and Damien, also armed, are running through the corridors, breaking the cells and freeing the young pirates. The red alarm is set. Guards come. Pops of pistols begin. The young pirates are fighting furiously, happy that their captain is back.

INT. HYDROPIAN PALACE. GREAT HALL.

Jonathan Hartford and Diego Jimenez are standing in front of the king, smiling contently.

JONATHAN

Soon the execution will start, your majesty.

KING

(Smiles)

Well done, Admiral. You saved the Galaxy Navy from losing its reputation.

Suddenly a prison guard runs in.

GUARD

The prisoners have escaped! They're slaying us all!

JONATHAN

(Frowns)

What?! How is that possible?!

GUARD

One of the navy soldiers is fighting side by side with them!

JONATHAN

(Growls)

Damien Elessey!

KING

Admiral, the people are waiting for the execution, you must clear up this situation immediately! Don't let the pirates escape!

JONATHAN

(Bows)

I will deal with it, your majesty.  
(Walks out)

EXT. HYDROPIAN PRISON.

The young pirates break the gates and run out. Young captain raises his blue laser sword. It catches thunder. The blue glowing ship appears in the sky, flying down. It is Shark Tooth. The pirates quickly get onto it. So does Damien. They fly up, but suddenly a purple bomb hits them - Planetary Chaos appears, flying towards them!

INT. SHARK TOOTH DECK.

Young captain stands at the bow. Damien is beside him, frowning.

YOUNG CAPTAIN

Take the measures! Get ready for battle!

The pirates start fussing. They take their weapons and get ready.

The ships bomb each other.

Jonathan Hartford frowns, watching Shark Tooth from Planetary Chaos.

Soon the ships approach each other. Pirates cry and go on the boarding. They grapple with the soldiers.

Damien is furiously killing the soldiers, paying attention to young captain time to time.

Young captain fights ferociously, although, he's wounded in chest and is a little weakened. He fights through soldiers and ends up facing Jonathan himself!

A furious duel begins. The admiral and the pirate captain are swinging laser swords to each other, and parrying each other's attacks.

Damien is fighting with Diego Jimenez. They both are frowning.

DIEGO  
So you still turned out to be a  
scoundrel, hein?  
(Swings his sword)

DAMIEN  
You are the one!  
(Parries his attack)

They're fighting. Soon Diego manages to swing his sword strongly and cuts Damien's foot!

DAMIEN (CONT'D)  
(Shrieks)  
Ah!!!

Diego grins and is going to stab his sword into him, when his heart gets hit with a bullet and he, dead, falls onto the ground. Janette appears behind him, playing with her pistol in her fingers. She smiles.

JANETTE  
(to Damien)  
You alright?

DAMIEN  
Yes, thank you.

JANETTE  
You're welcome.  
(Smiles)

Young captain and Jonathan are still fighting.

JONATHAN  
(Frowns, his eyes  
sparkling with anger)  
I will kill you, the last  
Herminoid!

YOUNG CAPTAIN  
Those who are just never die.

Young captain swings his sword strongly and stabs it into Jonathan's heart. Jonathan freezes, and spits out blood. Sword drops off his hand. He falls down. His vision blurs. He sees a young pirate flag flaunting on Shark Tooth's mast... He closes eyes...

The soldiers get perplexed and the pirates defeat them, eventually flying away.

INT. PLANET EARTH. A GREEN FIELD.

Young captain and Damien are sitting in the field, talking to each other. Damien has a peg-leg.

YOUNG CAPTAIN

So, what will you do now? Will you return to your family, or?

DAMIEN

(Beams. Looks up in the sky, where there is blue glowing ship flying, waiting for them. Then looks back at young captain)

I'm already with my family.

YOUNG CAPTAIN

(Smiles)

V.O. (Man's voice)

From that day I understood what was my true destiny. From that day, I understood that I was born a pirate, a man who should have fought for justice...

Rope is dropped from the ship. Young captain and Damien grab it and get back on the ship. Young captain enters his cabin, and Damien walks to the bow, where there is Janette standing. Janette looks back and smiles when sees him.

JANETTE

Welcome aboard, new recruit.

Damien smiles. They look at each other. In front of them there is the sun setting. They are looking into each other's eyes. Their faces slowly bend to one another and their lips softly touch each other...

FADE OUT.