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This article contains content that is not suitable for younger viewers. Viewer discretion has been advised. NSFW content: Some rage comics are known to contain obscenity. U MAD BRO?Rage Comics is a featured article here on Teh Meme Wiki The very first rage comic featuring Rage Guy, known as "splashback." Published on 4chan in 2008. Not to be confused with Rage Guy. Basic Description A Rage Comic is a short panel comic using a set of pre-made and/or drawn cartoon faces, or Rage Faces. This set is quickly growing in size. Rage Comics usually express rage or some other simple emotions or mundane activities. These comics have spread similarly in the same way that internet memes do, and several memes have originated in this medium. They have been characterized by Ars SAY Technica as an "accepted and standardized form of online communication". The popularity of Rage Comics has been attributed to their use as vehicles for humorizing shared experiences. The range of expressions and standardized, easily identifiable faces has allowed uses such as teaching English as a foreign language. Rage Comics are normally poorly created and drawn comics, often created with MS Paint (Microsoft Paint). However, despite them being badly drawn, they have evolved into a meme over-time. Rage Comics were at their peak in the late 2000s and early 2010s. But there may also be more modern rage comics such as Cover Yourself in Oil, but then after 2010, the meme started dying, which made the public make a newer version of Trollface (Trollge). History The first Rage Comics was posted to the 4chan /b/random board in 2008. It was a simple 4-panel strip showing the author's anger about getting "splashback" while on the toilet, with the final panel featuring a zoomed-in face, known as Rage Guy, screaming "FFFFFFFFFFUUUUUUUUUUUU-". It was quickly reposted and modified numerous times, with other users creating new scenarios and new characters. Although used on numerous Websites such as Reddit, Cheezburger, ESS.MX, and 9GAG, the source of the Rage Comic has largely been attributed to 4chan in mid-2007. One very notable site is Ragestache, the most popular of the Spartz Media sites, which is devoted exclusively to rage comics and has over 1,900 pages, as of January 2014. Original Rage Comics were first made where the majority of most memes originate, the 4Chan Board, /B/. The faces in Rage Comics range from the infamous "FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUU-" Face, also called Rage Guy, to Forever Alone, the Trollface, and many more. These comics usually consist of scenarios where, for example, cereal, or Pokémon Go make someone rage. Below on this page are characters that were used in Rage Comics. Characters Forever Alone Forever Alone is a lonesome character that is used to express loneliness and disappointment with life. Creators of this variety of rage comic occasionally alter one word or both of the words “forever alone” for a more humorous effect. Y U NO Guy Y U NO Guy is a character using SMS shorthands and carefree grammar as a way to bring someone’s attention on a particular subject or issue. The face comes from Gantz’ Chapter 55: Naked King (裸の王様), a Japanese sci-fi manga originally released in February 2002. Me Gusta Me Gusta Guy is a character that is typically used to respond to an awkward or disgusting event with “Me Gusta,” which ironically means “It Pleases Me” in Spanish, often understood as “I like it” in English. Origin: Created by Redditor “Insert” who first posted the face on 4chan in March of 2010. The Me Gusta Guy is generally used to express pleasure for awkward or sometimes disgusting situations. Trollface Trollface is a character used to imply mischievousness or trolling and is the most accepted symbol of trolling. He is considered the mascot of Rage Comics by some fans and is also considered Rage Guy's enemy. He is also playable in the now deleted and no longer available Wii U game, Meme Run. It's origin is disputed, since it was first uploaded on January 2007 under the name Coolface, but it was popularly known that the Trollface was originally drawn by Carlos Ramirez, also known at that time as Tyler_mon, an Oakland-based artist known by his DeviantArt handle Wynne, as part of a MS Paint webcomic about the pointless nature of trolling on a video game forum in September 19th, 2008. There is also a claim on Reddit that it was originally created by the name of Patrick Kurtz, also known as BluesMan1866, but this claim is yet to be confirmed. Share — copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. Adapt — remix, transform, and build upon the material for any purpose, even commercially. 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Comic book series from Marvel Comics "Avengers Initiative" redirects here. For the initiative in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, see Avengers Initiative (Marvel Cinematic Universe). Avengers: The InitiativeAvengers: The Initiative #1 solicited coverPublication informationPublisherMarvel ComicsScheduleMonthlyFormatOngoing seriesGenre Superhero Publication dateApril 2007 – July 2010No. of issues35Main character(s)Trainees:Melee Graduates:3-D ManAnnexAnt-ManCloud 9GeigerGorilla GirlHardballKomodoProdigyRed NineStatureSunstreakThor GirlUltra Girl Staff:DiamondbackGauntletPenanceTaskmasterTraumaBaron Von BlitzschlagCreative teamWritten byDan SlottChristos GagePenciller(s)Stefano CaselliSteve UyHarvey Tolibao Avengers: The Initiative is a comic book series from Marvel Comics. Written by Dan Slott and Christos Gage with artwork initially by Stefano Caselli, Steve Uy and Harvey Tolibao,[1][2] the series handles the aftermath of Marvel's "Civil War" storyline (however, it should not be confused with "The Initiative" a banner running across Marvel books from Feb. 2007 to May 2007, similar to Marvel's earlier "Decimation" banner after the "House of M" storyline, or the Civil War: The Initiative special by Brian Michael Bendis). A preview of the title was shown in Civil War: The Initiative. The first issue of Avengers: The Initiative was released on 4 April 2007. The tagline initially used in solicitations was "Marvel's Army of Super Heroes just became a Super Hero Army". The series was originally solicited as a six issue limited series, but prior to the publication of the first issue, Marvel announced that this had changed and that Avengers: The Initiative would become an ongoing series, the third regularly published 'Avengers' title from 2007 onwards, after New Avengers and The Mighty Avengers.[2] Issues #20-22 handled "Dark Reign", the aftermath to Secret Invasion, and Christos Gage moved to full writing duties.[3] The series was cancelled after Avengers: The Initiative #35 (April 2010), at the conclusion of the "Siege" storyline[4] and replaced by Avengers Academy. In the aftermath of the Civil War, the pro-registration side stood victorious and launched the Fifty State Initiative, which called for one S.H.I.E.L.D.-sponsored superhero team for each state. The series focused on the training facility at Camp Hammond in Stamford, Connecticut. The first group of young heroes has been sent to hero boot camp in Stamford, the site of the explosion that launched the whole Civil War. During the first day's training, Trauma, a shapeshifter, loses control of his power and causes Armory to have a panic attack. She accidentally shoots MVP, who was trying to save Cloud 9. Pym and Gyrich agree to conceal the death and expel Armory, but first, amputate her alien weaponry, since she will be an unregistered super. As the young heroes finish the obstacle course, Trauma loses control of his transformation again, first feeding off of Cloud 9's guilt at being responsible for MVP's death and then transforming into an image of Janet Van Dyne beaten and bloody when Hank Pym (Yellowjacket) attempts to intervene. As Justice and Gauntlet clean up the situation, Pym is called to the lab where Baron Von Blitzschlag informs him and Henry Peter Gyrich of MVP's anatomy; instead of being enhanced by the Super Soldier Serum as everyone believed, he is actually an "Übermensch", the ultimate human specimen. As Blitzschlag and Gyrich laud the benefits of such a test subject, Pym again has a crisis of conscience, only enhanced when the German scientist recounts his past "villainous" acts (such as the creation of Ultron) and remarks "I am your greatest fan."[5] A crisis over Texas occurs involving the President and Hydra. Cloud 9, Komodo, Hardball, Gauntlet, War Machine, Justice, and Yellowjacket all arrive on the scene. Cloud 9 is revealed as the best marksman of the bunch when she receives a pulse rifle, but she feels guilty when she blows up a fighter jet and the pilot doesn't eject. Hardball speaks to Komodo about Justice apparently having learned of MVP's fate. While he talks, he turns to see not Komodo but a strange girl sleeping next to him. Komodo is upset that her identity was revealed. Spider-Man battles the duo. He quickly incapacitates War Machine with a blast of webbing that shuts down his armor, but not before War Machine mysteriously states that even though Spider-Man will be stripped of his powers, another Spider-Man will exist. While Komodo fares much better, Spider-Man's wit, and a threat that her failure will cause her losing her powers, help him to defeat her and slip away easily. A mysterious third party, which War Machine calls "Red Team" and which has been cloaked during the fight, is revealed to be a group of people in duplicate versions of Tony Stark's Spider-Man armor. The story ends with Komodo's desperate plea not to be stripped of her powers, as she dislikes being normal and considers her other self to be a nobody.[6] Main article: World War Hulk The recruits are ordered to stay away from the fighting, but to still help with evacuation efforts. Rage and several other recruits disobey the direct order and go to help the Avengers. They are quickly dispatched by Hulk's Warbound and imprisoned in Madison Square Garden. Gyrich fears the political fallout, so he orders his Shadow Initiative to rescue only the six missing recruits. This team comprises Bengal, Trauma, Constrictor, Mutant Zero, and the Scarlet Spiders. Hulk eventually discovers the team and Trauma attempts to access Hulk's greatest fear, but Hulk tells him he fears nothing and nearly beats him to death.[7] During these events, Hardball is secretly recruited by Hydra to steal nanotechnology. While in disguise, he sees MVP's body cryogenically frozen, but Justice and Cloud 9 claim to have seen him at his parents’ home. Sgt. Green is mysteriously attacked and can no longer train the recruits.[8] Several new Initiative recruits arrive at Camp Hammond, including Ant-Man (Eric O'Grady), Crusader (Z'Reg), Melee, Geldoff, Dragon Lord (Tako Shamara), Geiger, Red Nine, and Diamondback. These recruits will mainly be trained by the instructor Taskmaster.[9] The results of the previous cloning's of MVP impressed Initiative administrators enough to fill places within the Fifty State Initiative with further clones of MVP.[10] A new Michael Van Patrick clone is fitted with the Tactigon, Armory's former alien weapon, but goes on a rampage throughout the base under the new name "KIA" seeking revenge for MVP's death.[11] The KIA clone causes destruction, killing Dragon Lord (Tako Shamara), Trauma (who is later revealed to have survived) and Van (one of the Scarlet Spiders). KIA also caused injury to many initiative trainees and staff like Thor Girl, Gauntlet, Constrictor and Crusader. He also killed eight S.H.I.E.L.D. agents on his rampage. He is eventually subdued when Cloud 9 uses the knowledge of Michael Van Patrick's crush on her to kiss him and fill him with gas. The reformed New Warriors and New Avengers can subdue him and mind wipe him with a device from Baron Von Blitzschlag.[12] Some of the first instalment trainees made it to graduation. The graduating class and their assignments were: Cloud 9: Montana - Freedom Force Hardball: Nevada - Heavy Hitters Thor Girl: Georgia - The Cavalry Komodo: Arizona - Desert Stars Trauma: remains on base as a counselor Triathlon (now going by 3-D Man and sporting the costume of his namesake): Hawaii -Point Men Ultra Girl (now wearing Ms. Marvel's original costume): Georgia -The Cavalry Justice, Debrii, Slapstick, Rage, MVP and the two remaining Scarlet Spiders left the Initiative to form Counter Force, described as a counter-initiative that will dedicate themselves to keeping the government program honest. Starting with issue #13, the series features new recruits that will join the squad assembled before the coming of KIA. They are: Annex, Prodigy, Gorilla Girl, Sunstreak, Batwing, and Boulder.[13] Less enthusiastic than the first recruits, most of them with criminal records (except Butterball/Boulder who wanted to be there, and Batwing, who was just seeking a cure for his condition) they are there because their alternative to Camp Hammond is the Negative Zone prison (however, the criminal charges against all but Sunstreak appear to be limited to non-registration). Taskmaster quickly renames Boulder "Butterball" regarding his size. He has been challenged to make Butterball into a good soldier; but because of his invulnerability powers, his physical appearance could not be altered. The recruits break out of the camp because of boredom and decide to go to the beach where they drink and skinny dip, since they would be recognized anywhere else. Sunstreak attempts to have relations with Butterball, who refuses and takes their ride and heads back to the camp but encounters Constrictor, Taskmaster, War Machine and Yellowjacket. He lies, claiming to have gone AWOL alone. Although the recruits plan to use this distraction to sneak back on base, they instead help defeat Firebrand, King Cobra, Mister Hyde and Mauler, all of whom wanted revenge on the Taskmaster. Butterball washes out of the program when it is deemed he does not have the attitude to be a superhero. To ease his disappointment, Taskmaster and Constrictor allow him to take a picture that makes it look like he has defeated them.[14] Main article: Secret Invasion The Revolutionary, a member of Pennsylvania's Liberteens, is actually a Skrull in disguise. He is part of a plot to put "a Skrull in every state" by infiltrating each superhero team of the Initiative.[15] During the "Secret Invasion" storyline, Crusader discovers that camp director Yellowjacket is a Skrull impostor; he almost tells Trauma, but changes his mind. When 3-D Man arrives in Camp Hammond to announce to everyone assembled that the Initiative has been infiltrated by Skrulls, Crusader fears he will be exposed as a Skrull despite his good intentions. Crusader uses the Freedom Ring to reverse the goggles' power so that they cause 3-D Man to see Crusader as human and all humans as Skrulls.[16] 'Yellowjacket-Skrull' later gives orders to Gauntlet to dispatch the cadets to help the Young Avengers fight the Skrulls, and Proton is killed during the battle. The Skrulls defeat the cadets and Young Avengers, but then Nick Fury arrives with his "commandos."[17][18] Meanwhile, Ant-Man, the only cadet still on Camp Hammond, witnessed how "Yellowjacket" welcomed a Skrull commander to the base and attempts to learn of their secret plans. During the big fight against the Skrull army, Crusader (a Skrull who lives on Earth and an Initiative cadet) fought for Earth. After defeating a Skrull imposter looking like She-Thing, 3-D Man joined up with the Skrull Kill Krew and discovered that in every Initiative state team is one Skrull-imposter and killed them all. Komodo joined the team as well,[19] and they then added her lover, Hardball. The Skrull Kill Crew thought they could not track through all the states on time, but then former Avenger Jocasta appeared with Devil-Slayer, who is a member of the Hawaiian Initiative team, the Point Men. Devil-Slayer's teleportation ability will aid them in killing all Skrull imposters within the Fifty State Initiative.[20] The group move on to other Initiative bases, killing the Skrull imposters. Delroy Garrett's goggles also identify Equinox as a Skrull who is then killed by Cloud 9 who then joins their insurgency with Gravity. The Skrull then sends a broadcast throughout the world, telling their sleeper agents to activate themselves, which sows even more distrust among the remaining heroes. While in Philadelphia, the Revolutionary is revealed as a Skrull and defeated by Gravity and Hope. When they discover a fight between Thor Girl and Ultra Girl, Delroy's goggles identify Thor Girl as a Skrull. With help from Gravity, Delroy uses Thor Girl's own hammer to kill the Skrull imposter. Ant-Man escapes the Skrulls on the back of a Shock Trooper and reveals to the Kill Crew the Skrulls' last resort plan; to use all the Initiative bases to create a massive Negative Zone portal that will destroy the entire country. With six bases left, the Krew splits up, and uses the still-living heads of Moonstomp, Catwalk and Dice to help point out Skrulls. Devil-Slayer teleports them to the bases, but collapses under the strain.[21] The Initiative members combat their Skrull opponents who have received their mission to activate themselves to start distrust among the teams. At the Battalion's HQ, Tigra, Ryder and Cloud 9 fight a Skrull posing as Razorback. Hardball and Moonstomp help Action Pack fight a Skrull posing as Frog-Man. Gravity and Catwalk help the Great Lakes Avengers fight a Skrull posing as Grasshopper. Komodo and Riot help the Command fight a Skrull posing as Conquistador (who assumed a Skrull/Devil Dinosaur-like form). Dice and Jocasta fight their way through activists to get to the Skrull posing as Skyhawk who succeeds in his part of the mission. Garrett and Ant-Man join the Rangers in fighting a Skrull that posed as Red Wolf's wolf companion Lobo. After it is shot by Shooting Star, a crowd uprising occurred when Delroy's goggles identify some of the crowd members as Skrulls. Delroy's goggles are hit by a thrown rock, giving Delroy's allies a complicated time understanding who's a Skrull and who is not. During the struggle, Delroy discovers he can see who is a Skrull without his goggles since the Tri-Force energy is inside him. This turns the tides against those Skrulls disguised as crowd members. During the fights across the USA, Spinner and Whiz-Kid both apparently die in various fights. At the final fight at Camp Hammond, Crusader kills Criti Noll, the Yellowjacket imposter, and then 3-D Man shoots Crusader (who hid his Skrull heritage from the others but was fighting for Earth). Before he disappeared, Crusader stated he wished "it could've ended differently".[22] Main article: Dark Reign (comics) Following the aftermath of the Secret Invasion, the Fifty-State Initiative is shut down and the Thunderbolts Initiative is established when Norman Osborn takes over.[23] Those that had been replaced by Skrulls alongside Alicia Masters meet with Doc Samson at Camp Hammond as part of a support group. While noting the hostilities of Red Nine, Annex, Geiger, Batwing, and Prodigy over the shooting of Crusader, Delroy states he is leaving the Initiative and joining up with Ryder to hunt down any Skrulls still hiding out on Earth. Taskmaster confronts Mutant Zero and discovers that she is really Typhoid Mary. Gauntlet takes control as head of Camp Hammond because of his position as the highest-ranking officer left. Despite an offer by Gauntlet, Hank Pym leaves the camp because he "was never here".[24] Next some of the latest recruits graduated and were assigned to different teams. Batwing became a member of the Shadow Initiative, Melee was assigned to additional training to become a Camp Hammond instructor for martial arts, Annex became a member of the Mavericks (New Mexico) and Red Nine of The Cavalry, Georgia. Geiger also graduated, but it was not mentioned where she was to be stationed. Camp Hammond instructor Stingray became the new leader of the Point Men (Hawaii). Because of their villainous past, Sunstreak and Prodigy were not assigned to an Initiative State Team yet, but have to remain under training at Camp Hammond. Since Gorilla Girl felt she was typical cannon fodder, she went home and was listed as a reserve member. Meanwhile, Baron von Blitzschlag encountered the Thor-clone (now dubbed Ragnarok), which was reactivated by a failsafe programmed by the Hank Pym Skrull, which required his access code to keep him contained. The clone apparently killed the Baron within a couple of minutes. Thereafter, Ragnarok was attacked by Thor-Girl who he beat after a long and heavy fight above Camp Hammond. Even a trick of Trauma (posing as the real Thor) was ineffective. Outside Gorilla Girl, on her way back home, escaped from her car and opposed Ragnarok. As she was about to lose the fight, a light appeared. The former New Warriors (now called Counter Force) appeared, ready to fight.[25] The fight with the Thor clone rages on as Justice tells Ragnarok that he had worked with the REAL Thor and that Ragnarok is unworthy of that name. After Ragnarok knocks out Rage and Slapstick, Debrii has the Scarlet Spiders hack into Ragnarok. However, Ragnarok kills Michael the Scarlet Spider. Ragnarok is about to vanquish Von Blitzschlag with pure physical force when the crafty Baron dismisses the notion as futile. He states that while he could easily kill everyone here and everyone in the world, he would not change the fact he is, in fact, an android-clone based on the real Thor. Unconvinced, Ragnarok is shown proof that such methods are possible when one of the Scarlet Spiders reveals he and his "brothers" are all clones as well. Blitzschlag tells Ragnarok that the real Thor is living in Asgard, which is now physically in the realm of Earth (or Midgard) where it is floating above Oklahoma. Ragnarok resolves it matters not whether he is or isn't a clone, but that his warrior's resolve is true. He flies off to presumably confront Thor and his fellow Asgardians.[26] Following Ragnarok's attack, Counter Force buries Michael Van Patrick's body and confesses to the world about Michael's death and the clones. This gives Norman Osborn the opportunity to shut down Camp Hammond.[27] Following the Taskmaster's fight with Hardball's Hydra faction, Norman Osborn hires him to help run the camp.[28] Norman Osborn announces to the media that he has reopened the Initiative training camp under the name Camp H.A.M.M.E.R. in New Mexico away from any populated areas. Osborn then moulds the Initiative to match his own vision. He transfers Gravity to the Great Lakes Avengers with Prodigy taking his place as leader of the Heavy Hitters. He assigns the Force of Nature to Oregon, the U-Foes to North Carolina, the Psionex to Maryland and the Women Warriors to Delaware. Penance, brainwashed at Osborn's command, is sent to Camp H.A.M.M.E.R. to assist Taskmaster. Gauntlet and Tigra leave their posts at the Initiative and join with the New Warriors to form the Avengers Resistance against Osborn's new regime.[29] Trauma is kept on as the Camp H.A.M.M.E.R. counselor, against his will with the promise that if he leaves, his mother will be killed, but if he stays, they will cure her insanity. It is later revealed that he is actually the son of Nightmare who corrupts his son's body and attacks the base. Most of the heroes are stunned by their fears, but Taskmaster revives the fallen Penance who has regained all his memories and no longer has any fears and regrets. Immune to Nightmare, he frees Trauma and Nightmare is banished.[30] Osborn is pleased with Taskmaster and invites him to join the Cabal, while Constrictor is shocked to learn Diamondback is a double agent to the Avengers Resistance. He admits he does not care since he is in love with her. Osborn reveals to Taskmaster that the next mission will be to lay Siege on Asgard.[31] After Osborn's treachery is exposed, the Superhuman Registration Act has been abolished.[32] During the "Fear Itself" storyline, the Initiative teams have gotten back together. Their representatives meet with Prodigy in Washington, DC to discuss the hammers that the Serpent has brought to Earth. The Initiative teams featured are Action Pack, Batwing and Butterball's unnamed team, the Cavalry, the Desert Stars, the Freedom Force, the Heavy Hitters, the Liberteens, the Order, and the Point Men.[33] Name First Shown Notes Henry Peter Gyrich Avengers: The Initiative #1 (June 2007) Administrator; Secretary of Superhuman Armed Forces.[34] Forced to depart his position by Iron Man in Avengers: The Initiative #12.[35] Baron Von Blitzschlag Head Scientist.[36] War Machine Camp Director;[34] Field Commander.[37] Resigned his position in Avengers: The Initiative #16.[19] Yellowjacket Chief Administrator.[34] Revealed to be a Skrull impostor named Criti Noll[38] who was later killed in Avengers: The Initiative #19.[22] Gauntlet Drill Instructor.[34] Became Camp Director in Avengers: The Initiative #20.[24] Left to join the Avengers Resistance.[29] She-Hulk Instructor.[34] Removed from her instructor position and as a S.H.I.E.L.D. agent after a falling out with Tony Stark.[39] Justice Youth Counselor.[5] Left to lead Counter Force.[40] Triathlon Instructor-In-Training.[41] Assigned to the Hawaii Initiative team Point Men, as the new 3-D Man.[35] Left to work with the Skrull Kill Krew.[19] Tigra Instructor.[34] Assigned to the Arkansas Initiative team.[42] Left to join the Avengers Resistance.[29] Nighthawk Instructor.[34] Assigned to the New Jersey Initiative team, the Defenders.[43] Hellcat Avengers: The Initiative #3 (Aug. 2007) Instructor: First aid.[44] Assigned to the Alaska Initiative team.[42] Black Widow Instructor: Marksmanship.[44] Stingray Instructor: Swimming.[44] Assigned to the Hawaii Initiative team Point Men.[42] Thing Instructor: Tactics.[44] Beast Consultant.[44] Danielle Moonstar Consultant.[44] Taskmaster Avengers: The Initiative #8 (Feb. 2008) Drill Instructor,[45] and Shadow Initiative field leader.[24] Originally replaced Gauntlet when he was in a coma. Trauma Avengers: The Initiative #12 (June 2008) Counselor.[35] Physique Infirmary department head.[35] Other guest instructors and staff included: Ares, Ms. Marvel, and Wonder Man as part of the Mighty Avengers.[36] Batroc the Leaper previously worked out of the Virginia training facility, and was set to be moved to Camp Hammond as a Martial arts instructor.[36] He later returned to his life of crime as a mercenary.[46] Gargoyle served as an Initiative instructor before retiring.[42] There were an undetermined number of recruits at Camp Hammond before it closed; according to Henry Peter Gyrich and War Machine, there are over sixty super humans at Camp Hammond including staff.[19] Recruits shown to be located at the camp include: Name First Shown Notes Cloud 9 Avengers: The Initiative #1 (June 2007) Assigned to the Montana Initiative team, Freedom Force.[35] Hardball Assigned to the Nevada Initiative team, the Heavy Hitters.[35] Left to join Hydra.[47] Subsequently rejoined Komodo Assigned to the Arizona Initiative team, the Desert Stars.[35] Joined the Shadow Initiative in Avengers: The Initiative #20.[24] Trauma Became a counselor following graduation.[35] Armory Her Tactigon was confiscated and she was sent out of the Initiative after accidentally killing Michael Van Patrick.[34] MVP (Michael Van Patrick) Accidentally killed by Armory.[34] Thor Girl Assigned to the Georgia Initiative team.[35] Revealed to be a Skrull impostor.[21] Bengal Assigned to the Shadow Initiative.[7] Ultra Girl Director of the Junior Guardsmen. Left to join Counter Force.[40] Returned and assigned to the Georgia Initiative team.[35] Rejoined the New Warriors in Avengers: The Initiative #23.[27] Rage Left to join Counter Force.[40] Slapstick Left to join Counter Force.[40] Debrii Avengers: The Initiative #6 (Nov. 2007) Left to join Counter Force.[40] Ant-Man Avengers: The Initiative #8 (Feb. 2008) Assigned to the Thunderbolts.[24] Crusader Revealed to be a Skrull, and shot through the head by 3-D Man.[22] Dragon Lord Killed by KIA.[48] Proton (Geldoff) Killed by Skrulls after being taken prisoner.[49] Geiger Assigned to the New Mexico Initiative team.[42] Red Nine Assigned to the Georgia Initiative team.[42] Melee Trained to be an instructor following graduation.[42] Diamondback Recruited by Norman Osborn after the closing of Camp Hammond.[29] Prodigy Avengers: The Initiative #13 (July 2008)[50] Assigned to the Nevada Initiative team, the Heavy Hitters by Norman Osborn.[29] Sunstreak Assigned to the Oregon Initiative team, The Force of Nature by Norman Osborn.[51] Annex Assigned to the New Mexico Initiative team.[42] Batwing Assigned to the Shadow Initiative.[42] Gorilla Girl Left in Avengers: The Initiative #21.[42] Butterball Not being cut out for the military applications of The Initiative, was sent home with a registration ID card.[14] Stature:[36] Rocket Racer:[36] Alex Power:[36] Puma:[36] Left to continue activity as a villain Challenger: Assigned to the Montana Initiative team, Freedom Force.[35] Think Tank: Assigned to the Montana Initiative team, Freedom Force.[35] Equinox: Assigned to the Montana Initiative team, Freedom Force.[35] Revealed to be a Skrull infiltrator, and was killed by Cloud 9.[21] Spinner: Assigned to the Montana Initiative team, Freedom Force.[35] Believed killed trying to destroy a Skrull weapon system.[22] Revealed to be alive in Fear Itself: Youth in Revolt. Shooting Star: Assigned to the Texas Initiative team, the Rangers.[52] Blazing Skull: Assigned to the New Jersey Initiative team, the Defenders.[43] Nonstop: Assigned to the Nevada Initiative team, the Heavy Hitters. Telemetry: Assigned to the Nevada Initiative team, the Heavy Hitters. Gravity: Assigned to the Nevada Initiative team, the Heavy Hitters. Transferred to the Great Lakes Initiative by Norman Osborn.[29] Earth A Hulkling: Falsely joined The Initiative using his Earth-616 counterpart's identity,[53] since returned home. Earth A Wiccan: Falsely joined The Initiative using his Earth-616 counterpart's identity,[53] since returned home. Main article: Camp H.A.M.M.E.R. Name First Shown Notes Norman Osborn Avengers: The Initiative #23 Chief Administrator;[27] Instructor: Public Relations.[51] Taskmaster Avengers: The Initiative #24 Camp Director;[28] Senior Instructor.[51] The Hood Avengers: The Initiative #25 Chief Operating Officer.[29] Trauma Counselor.[29] Other staff included Ares and Ms. Marvel (Moonstone) as part of the Dark Avengers.[29] Baron Von Blitzschlag and Physique also retained the positions they had at Camp Hammond under Osborn's administration.[54] Recruits shown to be part of Norman Osborn's Initiative include: Name First Shown Notes Griffin Avengers: The Initiative #25 (Aug. 2009) Living Laser Razor Fist Scorcher Penance Former member of Norman Osborn's Thunderbolts. Diamondback Assigned to the Delaware initiative team.[51] Double agent with the Avengers Resistance.[30] Aqueduct Avengers: The Initiative #26 (Sept. 2009) Assigned to the Oregon Initiative team.[51] Skybreaker Terraformer Ironclad Assigned to the North Carolina Initiative team.[51] Vapor Vector X-Ray Asylum Assigned to the Maryland Initiative team.[51] Coronary Impulse Mathemanic Pretty Persuasions Asp Assigned to the Delaware initiative team.[51] Black Mamba Quicksand Skein Outback Avengers: The Initiative #28 (Nov. 2009) Assigned to the Nevada Initiative team, the Heavy Hitters.[55] Percy Grimes[29] Barton Grimes[29] Cutthroat[29] Mandrill[51] Vampiro: Joined the Initiative to get out of prison. Killed by The Hood.[51] Man-Killer[56] Main article: Counter Force (Marvel Comics) After Camp Hammond was shut down,[27] Tigra and Gauntlet joined the New Warriors who had left the Initiative, and formed the Avengers Resistance, with the specific purpose of exposing the criminal deeds of Norman Osborn.[29] Following Norman Osborn's arrest in the aftermath of the Siege of Asgard, the team disbanded. Character Joined in Notes Justice Avengers: The Initiative #10 (Apr. 2008) Night Thrasher Rage Scarlet Spider (Michael) Killed by Ragnarok.[26] Scarlet Spider (Patrick) Slapstick Ultra Girl Debrii Quit the team in Avengers: The Initiative #28.[55] Tigra Avengers: The Initiative #25 (Aug. 2009) Gauntlet Komodo Avengers: The Initiative #29 (Dec. 2009) Joined after having her powers removed by Taskmaster.[54] Diamondback Avengers: The Initiative #30 (Jan. 2010) Double agent with Norman Osborn's Initiative.[30] State Team Name 1st Appearance Members Alaska Unnamed Patsy Walker: Hellcat #1 Hellcat Arizona Desert Stars Avengers: The Initiative #16 Two-Gun Kid (leader), Komodo, Johnny Cool, Supermax,[57] Blacksmith (secretly a Skrull infiltrator)[19] Arkansas Battalion Avengers: The Initiative #19 Tigra, Razorback (was briefly replaced by a Skrull infiltrator)[58] California The Order[59] Civil War #6 Member List Colorado Thunderbolts[60] Thunderbolts #110 (as Initiative team) Member List Connecticut Camp Hammond Staff & Trainees Avengers: The Initiative #1 Various Delaware The Women Warriors Avengers: The Initiative #26 Asp, Black Mamba, Diamondback, Quicksand, Skein Florida The Command Marvel Zombies vol. 3 #1 Jennifer Kale, Wundarr the Aquarian, Siege, Conquistador (was briefly replaced by a Skrull) Georgia Cavalry Avengers: The Initiative #18 Stunt-Master, Crime-Buster, Red Nine, Thor Girl, Ultra Girl Hawaii Point Men Avengers: The Initiative #14 Stingray, Devil-Slayer, Star Sign, Paydirt, Magnitude (revealed to be a Skrull infiltrator), Delroy Garrett (former) Illinois Spaceknights Named in Civil War #6[59] Unknown Iowa Force Works[61] Named in Civil War #6 Cybermancer Kansas Harvesters Marvel Zombies Supreme #2 Pioneer, Grain Belt, Topeka, Meadowlark, Sunflower Kentucky Action Pack Avengers: The Initiative #7 Vox (leader), Prima Donna, Frog-Man (briefly replaced by a Skrull) Maryland Psionex Avengers: The Initiative #26 Member List Montana Freedom Force Avengers: The Initiative #12 Member List Nebraska Unnamed group The Invincible Iron Man vol. 4 #24 Captain Ultra (Leader), Gadget (Deceased), Paragon (Cooper Roth) (Deceased)[62] Nevada Heavy Hitters Avengers: The Initiative #17 Hardball, Prodigy, Gravity, Nonstop, Telemetry, Outback New Jersey Defenders[63] The Last Defenders #1 Member List New Mexico The Mavericks Avengers: The Initiative #16 Annex, Geiger, Jocasta, She-Thing (was revealed to be a Skrull infiltrator) New York Avengers (Initiative)[59] The Mighty Avengers #1 Member List North Carolina Unnamed group (formerly the U-Foes) Avengers: The Initiative #35 Batwing, Butterball Ohio Agents from A.R.M.O.R. Marvel Zombies 5 #2 Howard the Duck, Machine Man, Swift Cloud, Hurricane Oregon Force of Nature Avengers: The Initiative #26 Member List Pennsylvania The Liberteens[64][65] Avengers: The Initiative Annual #1 Member List Texas Rangers Civil War #7 (as Initiative team) Member List Utah The Called Civil War #6 Unnamed Mormon superheroes. Vermont The Garrison Penance Relentless #3 Fin, Man-Eater Washington Earth Force Civil War: Frontline #12 (as Initiative team) Earth Lord, Skyhawk, Wind Warrior Wisconsin Great Lakes Initiative Deadpool/GLI Summer Fun Spectacular (as Initiative team) Member List Cadets are trained in combat, search and rescue, power control, first aid, and superhuman ethics. The training that Initiative cadets undergo is structured like basic recruit training. Cadets are issued uniforms comprising palm gloves, traction boots and military fatigue cargo pants. A t-shirt with some kind of logo (often with the first letter of the cadet's codename) on it is provided if the cadet does not already have a costume. If the cadet has a secret identity, they are required to somehow conceal their identity (i.e. a mask, goggles, a helmet, shape-changing or some form of concealment). While the "Avengers Assemble!" battle cry is used by instructors and cadets in battle and many instructors and cadets are former or current members, being a recruit does not automatically award one membership in the Avengers. Use of the Avengers name is informal meant to act as an inspirational tool. 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