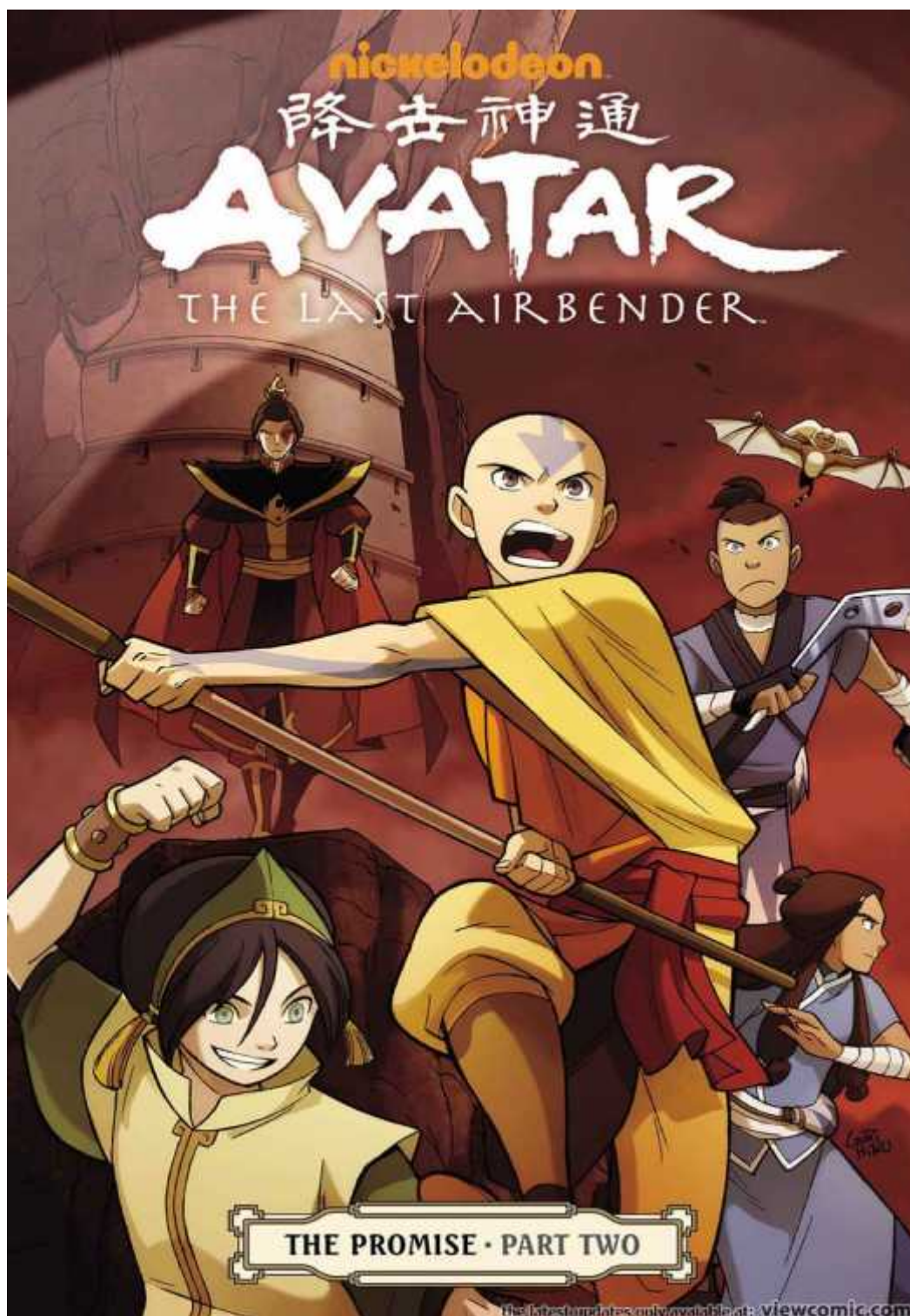




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AVATAR
THE LAST AIRBENDER.

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MY STUDENTS AND I LEFT THIS BUILDING IN DEFERENCE TO THE HARMONY RESTORATION MOVEMENT!

BUT NOW THAT THE FIRE LORD HAS RECOVERED HIS SENSES AND WITHDRAWN HIS SUPPORT FOR THE MOVEMENT--



--WE'VE COME BACK TO RECLAIM WHAT IS RIGHTFULLY OURS!



FIRE LORD ZUKO'S OFF HIS GOURD! YOU PEOPLE DON'T BELONG HERE! THIS IS THE EARTH KINGDOM'S -- AND THE WORLD'S -- FIRST SCHOOL OF METALBENDING!



PSH. SHAME ON YOU FOR SELLING SUCH A FANTASY TO THESE POOR DUPES, YOUNG LADY! EVERYONE KNOWS THAT 'METALBENDING' DOESN'T EXIST.

































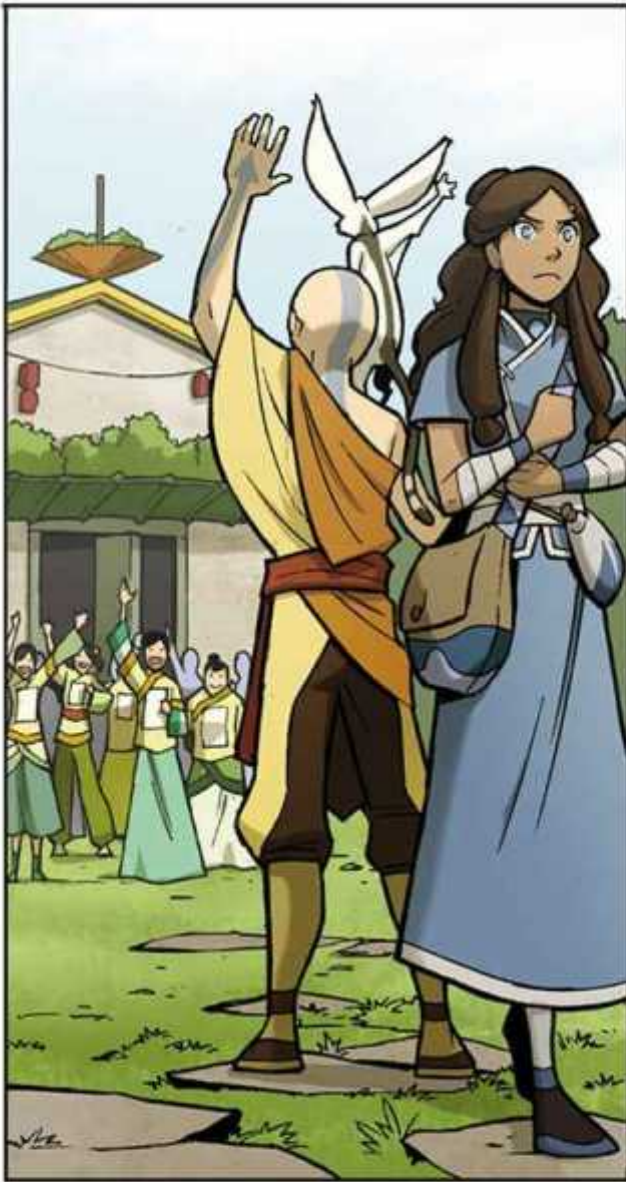
















AT THE BEACH, I WAS OVERWHELMED BY MY CIRCUMSTANCES BECAUSE I COULDN'T DECIDE WHOSE SIDE TO TAKE.

I SHOULD HAVE SIDED WITH THE HAWK. IT WAS STRONG AND NOBLE, MUCH LIKE THE FIRE NATION. IT HAD EARNED ITS MEAL.



BUT I'VE ALREADY DONE THAT, FATHER! I'M NO LONGER NEGLECTING THE NEEDS OF MY OWN PEOPLE, AS I DID WHEN I FIRST TOOK THE THRONE! AND I STILL CAN'T SLEEP!



YOU'RE ONLY PARTIALLY CORRECT IN YOUR ASSESSMENT. YOUR SLEEPLESSNESS DOES INDEED STEM FROM YOUR INABILITY TO CHOOSE SIDES, TO DISTINGUISH WHAT IS RIGHT.

BUT YOU'RE WRONG ABOUT THE HAWK.



SO YOU'RE SAYING...I **SHOULD** HAVE DEFENDED THE TURTLE-CRAB? I **SHOULD** HAVE SIDED WITH THE WEAKER OF THE TWO?





DO YOU THINK THE EARTH KING, AFTER BEING HUMILIATED TIME AND TIME AGAIN BY OUR MIGHTY NATION AND HIS OWN INCOMPETENCE, WILL BE **REASONABLE**? DO YOU THINK HE'LL TREAT THE REMAINING FIRE NATION COLONIALS **FAIRLY**?

IN AN ATTEMPT TO RESTORE HIS OWN DIGNITY, HE'LL SEND OUT HIS ARMY TO CRUSH THEM!



IF YOU TRULY ARE THE FIRE LORD, YOU WILL DEFEND THE FIRE NATION CITIZENS OF YU DAO FEROCIOUSLY! NOT SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY ARE YOUR PEOPLE, BUT BECAUSE THEY ARE AN EXPRESSION OF YOUR **WILL**!



I'M GOING TO **WAIT**, AND MY PATIENCE WILL BE REWARDED WITH A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION FOR EVERYONE! EVEN AS WE SPEAK, THE AVATAR IS --

THE AVATAR IS AN IRRELEVANT RELIC OF A BYGONE AGE! HE WANTS TO KEEP THE WORLD FROZEN IN TIME BY DENYING THE INEVITABLE VICTORY OF THE STRONG OVER THE WEAK!



AVATAR AANG IS MY FRIEND! MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, HE'S BEEN ON THE SIDE THAT'S **RIGHT**! I TRUST HIM.



MORE THAN YOU TRUST YOURSELF?

































MOMMY,
SAVE ME
FROM MY
DOOM...!

NOOO! NOT
THE JADE PLATFORMS!
ANYTHING BUT THE
JADE PLATFORMS!



THIS IS
RIDICULOUS.
I KNOW THAT'S
YOU IN THERE,
SIFU TOPH.



CREAK

VERY
PERCEPTIVE,
THE DARK ONE!
OR SHOULD
I SAY...

MOO-
CHEE-GOO-
CHEE-LA-POO-
CHEE! THE
THIRD!



BY
LITTERING
THAT NAME...
YOU'VE
LODGED A
SPLINTER IN
MY SOUL!







ALL MY LIFE, I'VE BEEN WEAK--SO WEAK THAT MY MOST TRUSTED ADVISOR WAS ABLE TO HIDE A HUNDRED YEARS' WAR BEHIND A CURTAIN OF LIES!



WELL, I'M TIRED OF BEING WEAK! IT'S TIME FOR ME TO BE A MAN!

WHAT'S *THAT* SUPPOSED TO MEAN?



FIRE LORD ZUKO PROMISED HE WOULD SEE THE HARMONY RESTORATION MOVEMENT THROUGH TO THE VERY END. NOW HE'S TURNED HIS PROMISE INTO A LIE! WHY SHOULD I MEET WITH HIM--SO HE CAN TELL ME MORE LIES?

I WILL NOT STAND FOR ANY MORE LIES!

I WILL ORDER GENERAL HOW TO LEAD MY TROOPS TO YU DAO AND ENFORCE HARMONY!



YOUR MAJESTY, DO YOU EVEN HEAR WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

PLEASE, EARTH KING KUEI! SENDING YOUR ARMY THERE WILL BE SEEN AS A DECLARATION OF WAR!



THE FIRE NATION RESIDENTS OF YU DAO WILL EITHER LEAVE MY KINGDOM PEACEFULLY OR FACE THE MOST DIRE OF CONSEQUENCES! THAT IS MY DECISION!

IF YOU ARE NOT WITH ME, AVATAR AANG, THEN I CAN ONLY ASSUME THAT YOU ARE AGAINST ME!









GREETINGS,
ENEMIES OF
KUNYO! PREPARE TO
BE ROASTED IN THE
FLAMES OF YOUR
OWN DEFEAT!



NICE
HEADGEAR.

I FIND IT A
CONVENIENT WAY
TO CARRY FLAGS.
I CAN TAKE IT
OFF ANY TIME
I WANT.



WHERE
ARE YOUR
STUDENTS,
YOUNG
LADY?

IT'S TIME
TO BEGIN OUR
DEADLY MATCH
TO THE...UH,
SIT!























ARGH! WHY WOULD I SAY THAT? SO STUPID...



THIS IS MY FAULT! I'M SO SORRY! WHEN I ASKED HER TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT YOUR FATHER, THAT WASN'T QUITE WHAT I HAD IN MIND.



SUKI! BUT HOW DID YOU KNOW --?

I FOLLOWED YOU YESTERDAY MORNING. SORRY ABOUT THAT, TOO.

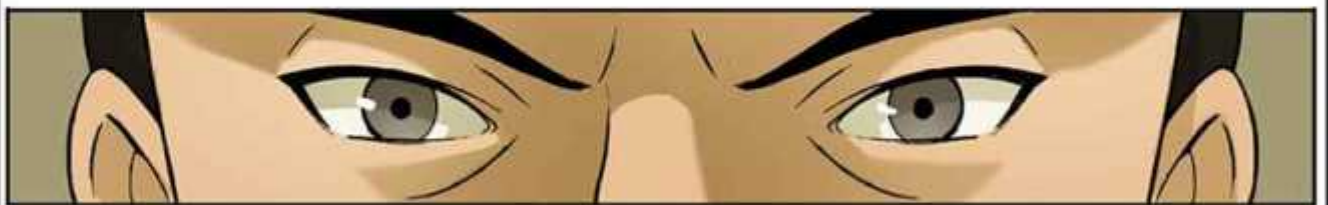
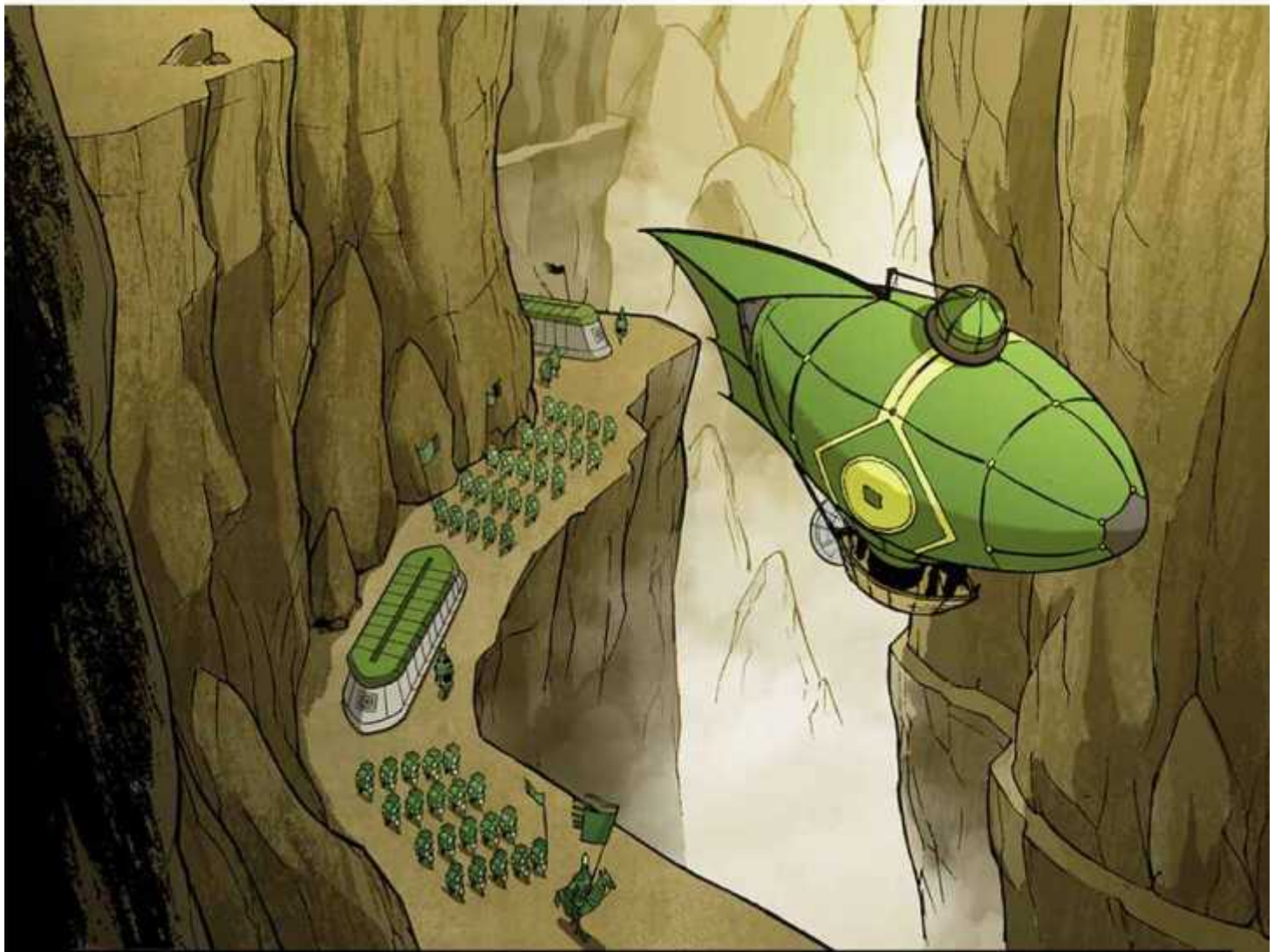


WE JUST WANTED TO KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON, TO SEE IF WE COULD HELP IN SOME WAY. THE KYOSHI WARRIORS ARE REALLY WORRIED ABOUT YOU, ZUKO.



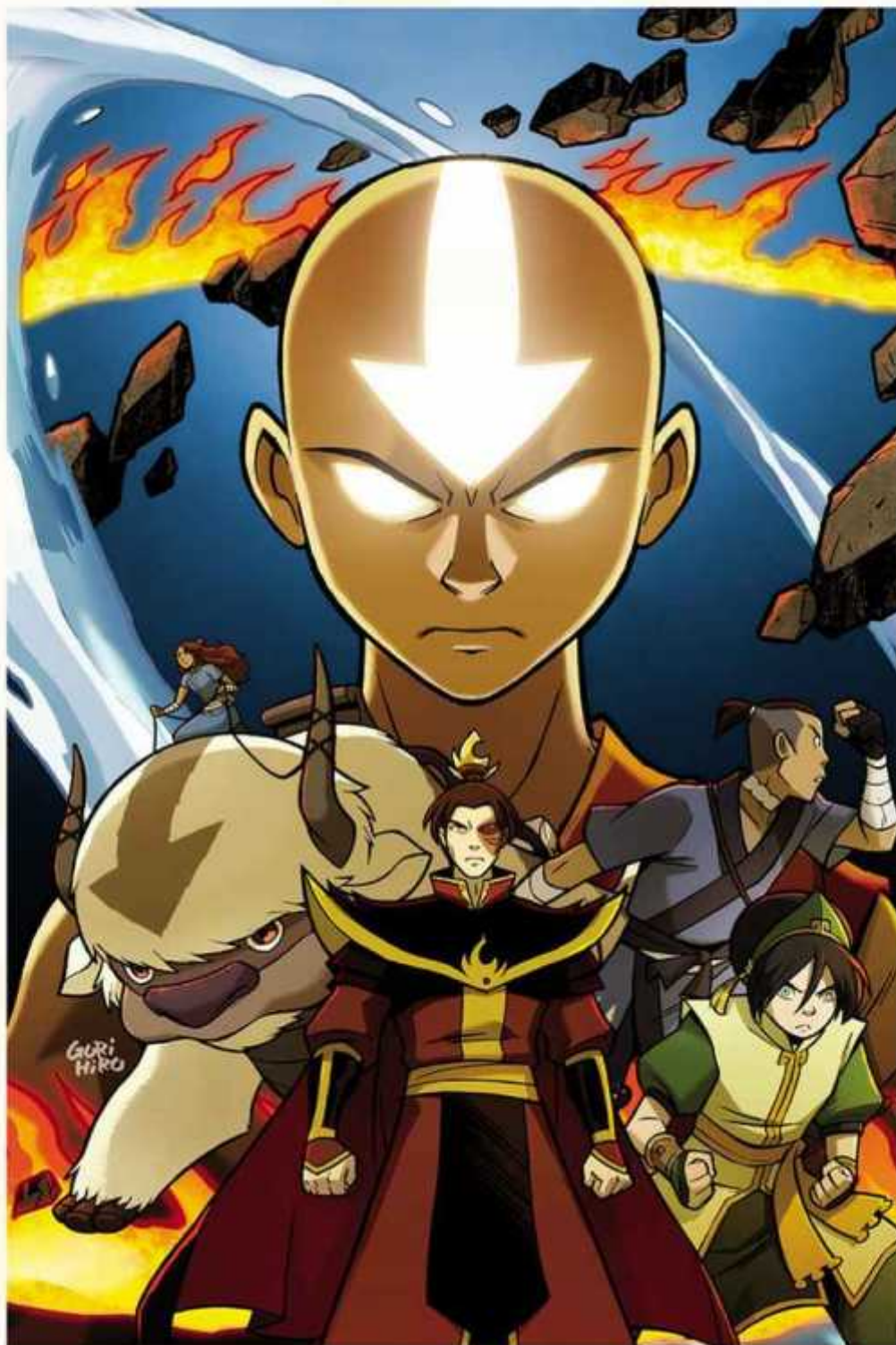
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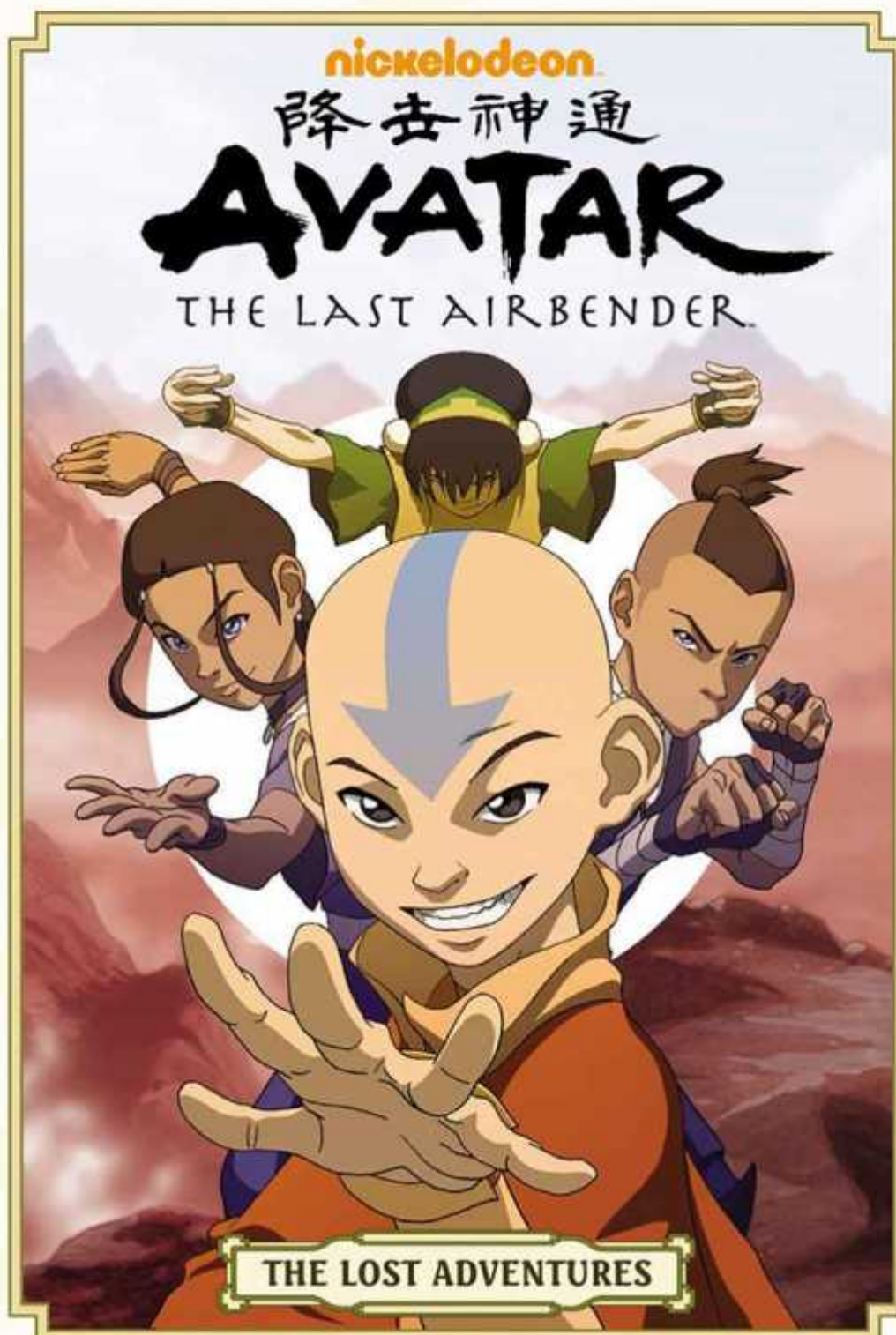


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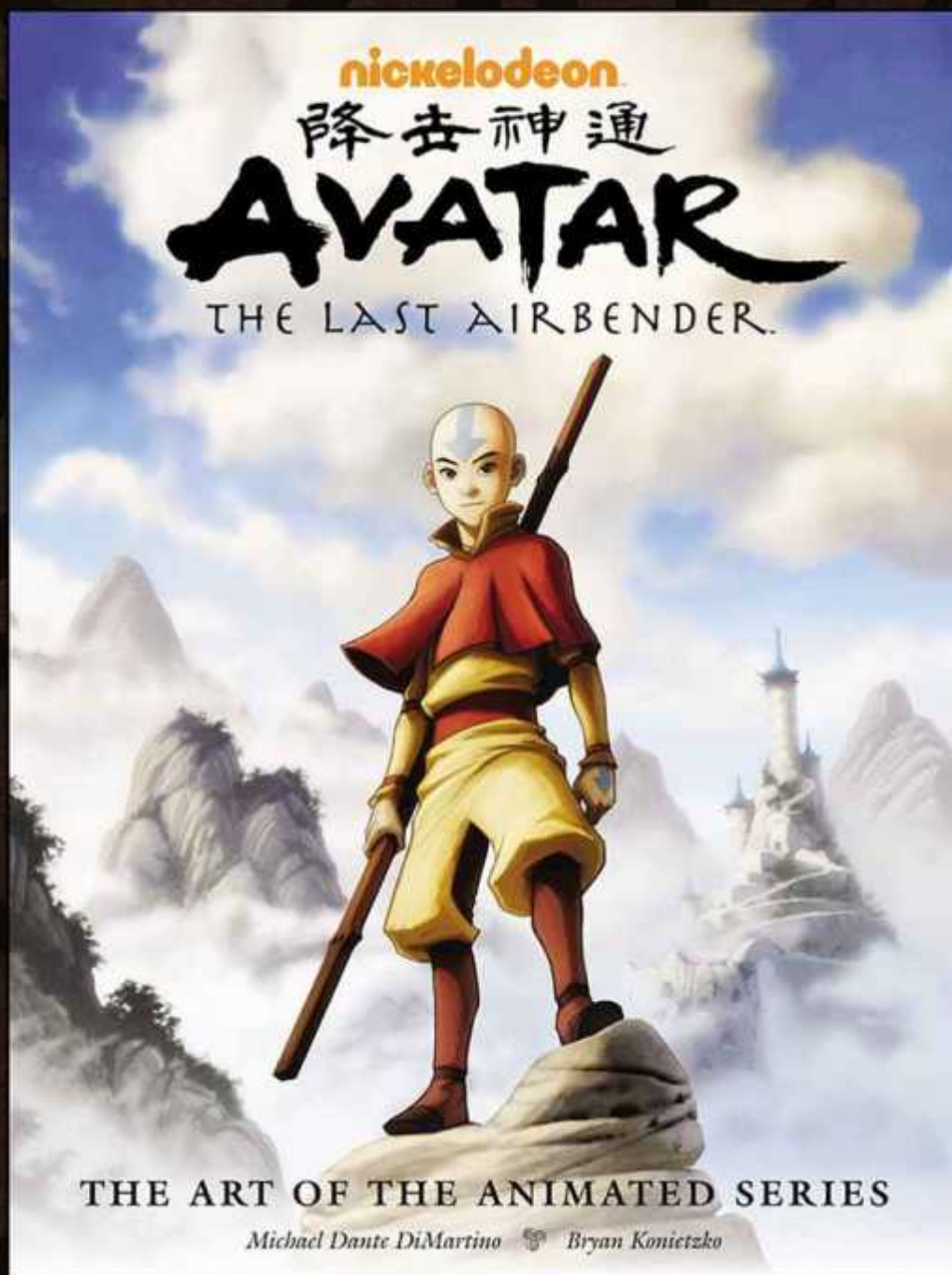
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