

The Super Mario RPG Movie

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FADE IN:

EXT. GATEWAY GALAXY - DAY

Blue skies.

We pan down to the surface.

Tourists pass by. The hustle and bustle of the spaceport is almost quaint.

At the front desk, ROB greets visitors. GEARMOS tidy up the place.

Meanwhile, a PIANTA TOURIST slowly struts to a nearby pipe. Sneaking behind him is UKIKI, the scheming monkey. He looks at the Pianta's belongings and grins, rubbing his tiny little hands together.

He taps the Pianta on the back. The Pianta turns around and looks down at Ukiki.

PIANTA
Hmm? What is it, lil' fella?

Ukiki points behind the Pianta.

UKIKI
Hey, what's that!?

The Pianta looks up. Ukiki laughs.

UKIKI (CONT'D)
HA! Made you look!

He SWIPES a bag off of the Pianta and runs off. The Pianta gives chase.

PIANTA
HEY!

UKIKI
Sucker--

Suddenly, the skies darken. Everyone stops. Ukiki drops the bag, jaw dropped. He stares up.

WOOSH!

A HUGE dimensional rift opens. Out comes an axe-shaped warship -- THE BLADE.

It lands down at the entrance to the spaceport hub. Leaping down to the ground from it is a tall, spear-shaped monster -- SPEARDOVICH.

He looks around at the surroundings, unimpressed.

A square expands beside him, opening a portal. Out comes a smiling jester -- DIMENTIO.

He lands, straightens up, and looks around the spaceport with the delighted focus of someone inspecting a meal they didn't order.

DIMENTIO

Oh. Wow. This is great.

(beat)

No, genuinely, Speardovich. Look at this. There's no security. Not even a little bit. I was prepared to do something dramatic and they just... let us in.

He gestures broadly at the terrified crowds.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)

I almost feel bad.

(beat)

Almost.

He claps his hands together. The smile stays.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)

Okay! Let's go say hello.

Pouring out from The Blade are menacing sentient weapons -- WEAPON SOLDIERS.

Speardovich leads the patrol. Tourists cower in fear, hiding behind chairs and tables.

Speardovich walks to the front desk. ROB blinks at him.

ROB

Weapons are not permitted on the spaceport.

IN AN INSTANT, Speardovich SMACKS ROB with a spear. ROB fizzles and glitches.

ROB (CONT'D)

(glitchy, slowing down)

Security measures were... insufficient...

Speardovich yells to the crowds.

SPEARDOVICH
Where. Is. The. Princess?

The tourists duck and cover. Speardovich walks up to a GOOMBA TRAVELLER.

SPEARDOVICH (CONT'D)
Tell me. Now.

The Goomba sweats.

GOOMBA
I, uh -- There's a lot of
princesses out there, you know?
It's kind of a whole thing. If you
could narrow it down--

Speardovich raises his spear. The Goomba yelps.

Suddenly--

DAISY (O.S.)
Hey!

We PAN to see PRINCESS DAISY, leaning against a wall,
crossing her arms. She smiles.

DAISY (CONT'D)
If you want me...

Daisy stands straight, cracks her knuckles, and moves her
neck around.

DAISY (CONT'D)
Come and get me.

She drops into a fighting stance.

DAISY (CONT'D)
I do Chai-Fu. That's kung-fu. But
make it Chai.

She rushes into the line of Weapon Soldiers -- fast,
efficient, and extremely pleased with herself. She slides
under one, elbows two behind her without looking, dispatches
them with the ease of someone who has done this many times
and enjoyed every single one.

A heap of defeated Weapon Soldiers lands near a Gearmo, just
as the Gearmo was finished sweeping the floor. He sighs.

Daisy runs straight at Speardovich.

DAISY (CONT'D)
 You messed with the WRONG PRINCESS,
 pal!

Speardovich grabs her mid-air by the arm. She freezes. The confidence drains.

SPEARDOVICH
 Tell me. Do you possess cosmic
 power? Stardust? Anything of that
 nature?

DAISY
 ...What? No. I'm just a princess.
 From Sarasaland--

DIMENTIO
 Wait. Hold on. Hold on.

Dimentio floats toward Daisy.

He looks at her for a long moment, tilting his head one way,
 then the other, like he's reading fine print.

He groans and facepalms.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)
 Oh. This isn't our princess.

He straightens and turns to Speardovich with the mild
 disappointment of someone whose food order was slightly
 wrong.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)
 Put her down.

Then his eyes find a giant TV screen showing a news bulletin.
 It describes the events of the last movie -- PEACH and
 ROSALINA terraforming Planet Bowser. Mario and Luigi
 rebuilding Peach's Castle.

Dimentio goes very still.

Then, slowly his smile comes back.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)
 (quiet, almost to himself)
 Oh.
 (beat)
 There they are.

He turns to Speardovich and taps him on the arm, almost
 gently.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)

Two princesses. Born from stardust.
Both of them.

The news bulletin then shows mugshots of Dry Bowser and Bowser Jr -- newly convicted.

Dimentio raises an eyebrow.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)

And the Koopa King is already in custody.

(small, pleased laugh)

Someone did half our work for us. I love that.

Speardovich watches the screen, then taps his communicator.

SPEARDOVICH

Lord Smithy. We have found them.
Prepare Exor.

(to Dimentio)

Looks like you weren't lying. Now come.

Dimentio bows.

DIMENTIO

Of course. Happy to help.

Speardovich and Dimentio walk away and enter the Blade. As they do, Dimentio waves to the terrified crowds.

DIMENTIO (CONT'D)

Great place, by the way! Four stars.

(beat)

The ambiance needs work. But the location is great.

The Blade rises and vanishes through the rift.

Ukiki watches the skies. Looks around. Scrams.

Daisy, on the floor, stares up at where The Blade was. She sits up slowly.

DAISY

(to herself)

...Okay. Yeah. That's bad.

She gets up, runs to a starship, and flies away.

FADE TO BLACK.

The title comes CRASHING IN.

THE SUPER MARIO RPG MOVIE

CUT TO:

INT. PEACH'S CASTLE - CONTINUOUS

Party horns unfurl. Party poppers pop. Red and blue banners adorn the castle walls. There's cake. Toads hustle everywhere.

A BIG banner on the ceiling reads "HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MARIO", with a small "(and luigi)" hastily written below it in noticeably different handwriting.

We see: Peach. Rosalina. Toad. Yoshi. DK. Even Fox. Even Mario's Dad.

EVERYONE
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mario and Luigi look around.

MARIO
(smiling)
Wow. Okay. This is... This is
great. Thanks.

He leans to Luigi.

MARIO (CONT'D)
(whispering)
How'd they get Dad here?

LUIGI
(whispering back)
I don't know! I was going to ask
you!

Dad walks up to the brothers. He's beaming.

DAD
(smiling)
Toad came to Brooklyn to give me
the invitation. I packed my bags
and went to the Warp Zone in a
flash.

Dad gives Mario and Luigi a gift box.

DAD (CONT'D)
Got you boys something. Figured you
could use it out here.

Mario opens the gift box. Luigi leans over to look.

Mario pulls out a wrench with a "M" emblem on one side, and
an "L" emblem on the other.

LUIGI
Oh, that's really nice, actually.

DAD
(chuckling)
You're still my boys. Whatever else
you've got going on out here.
Heroes, plumbers, whatever. Still
my boys.

MARIO
Thanks, Dad.

Yoshi bounds over and enthusiastically shakes Dad's hand.

YOSHI
Yoshi!

Dad stares at him

DAD
(baffled)
Huh.
(to Mario)
Is this... is this a dinosaur?

MARIO
(completely unbothered)
Yeah.

DAD
Okay.

PEACH walks up to the Mario Brothers, and smiles.

PEACH
I got you a gift, too.

She hands Mario a gift-wrapped present. Mario unwraps it,
revealing a SUPER HAMMER. Mario holds it in his hands.

MARIO
(quietly)
...Peach. This is incredible.

PEACH
 Consider it a thank you. For the
 parasol.

Mario looks up at her. Opens his mouth. Closes it.

MARIO
 I--

Toad appears between them with an enormous slice of cake.

TOAD
 CAKE TIME!

Mario takes the cake on autopilot. The moment evaporates.

ROSALINA sits in a corner, reading to a cluster of Lumas,
 small Toads, and kid Kongs.

ROSALINA
 (narrating)
 And Fox locked Bowser and Junior
 away in prison, where they have
 remained ever since.

The kids gasp.

DIDDY KONG, standing nearby, raises his hand.

DIDDY KONG
 Uh. Question.
 (looks from side to side)
 You think they'll break out?

Fox leans at the wall.

FOX
 They're persistent. But they're not
 exactly what I'd call operationally
 effective.

CUT TO:

INT. PRISON - CONTINUOUS

Dry Bowser plays cards with Bowser Jr.

BOWSER JR
 You got any aces?

BOWSER
 Go fish.

BOWSER JR

I meant up your sleeve. Like -- do you have a plan? How are we getting out?

BOWSER

(putting down his cards
with great gravity)

Son. I have been thinking about this for several weeks.

(beat)

We tried the tunnel. Concrete. Very hard. We tried the thing with that Luma. The Luma was not interested. At all.

(long pause)

I think we may need to wait for outside help.

BOWSER JR

(slumping)

That's the plan? Wait?

BOWSER

(sitting back, stretching
back)

Tactically. We're waiting tactically.

CUT TO:

INT. PEACH'S CASTLE - CONTINUOUS

FOX

(finishing his thought)

Honestly, I've seen much worse.

Luigi pulls Mario aside by the sleeve.

LUIGI

(urgent whisper)

Okay, listen. Mario. I need to say something and I need you to hear me out.

MARIO

(already suspicious)

Okay...

LUIGI

Ask Peach out. Tonight. Just do it.

MARIO

Luigi, I've told you--

LUIGI

I know what you've told me! You've told me you're "just friends"! You know what friends don't do? They don't look at each other like THAT-

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He gestures wildly toward where Peach was standing.

LUIGI (CONT'D)

--they don't give each other hammers--

MARIO

It's a birthday present--

LUIGI

It's a SUPER HAMMER, Mario! Do you know how expensive those are?!

MARIO

We're just--

LUIGI

(pointing)

She kissed you on the cheek.

Suddenly, the TOAD GENERAL runs up to Peach, panting. He stands firm, and salutes.

TOAD GENERAL

Princess Peach! We have a visitor!

PEACH

Can this wait until after--

TOAD GENERAL

She said it's urgent. She seemed very--

The doors BURST open.

In comes DAISY, sailing past Toad Guards who cannot keep up with her. Luigi stops mid-argument. His entire brain appears to stop functioning.

Daisy walks straight up to Peach.

DAISY

Princess Peach. Sister of Rosalina.

(beat, looking around)

Great party, by the way. Love the banner.

She clocks the smaller "(and luigi)" underneath.

DAISY (CONT'D)
... "And Luigi".

She turns back to Peach, urgent now.

DAISY (CONT'D)
I'm Princess Daisy. Ruler of Sarasaland. I'll explain that later. Right now -- there are people looking for you. Armed people. They mentioned cosmic powers, and a princess, and something called Exor, and I have had a very long flight so I would really appreciate someone telling me what's going on.

Rosalina stands up from her chair and walks forward.

ROSALINA
We need to talk. At the Comet Observatory.

INT. PRISON - CONTINUOUS

Bowser and Jr laze in the jail cell.

SUDDENLY, alarms BLARE.

LUMALEE flies in, grinning.

LUMALEE
(absolutely gleeful)
Yay! Intruder!

Bowser and Jr exchange looks. Bowser Jr grins and hops up and down.

BOWSER JR
KAMEK!

KAMEK flies in. He shoots a beam at the bars -- they vanish. Then at Dry Bowser -- who snaps back to full size and full flesh, enormous and magnificent.

Bowser stares at his hands. His claws. His full, glorious self.

BOWSER
(voice cracking slightly)
...I'm back.
(MORE)

BOWSER (CONT'D)
 (composing himself with
 great dignity)
 I'm BACK! HA!

KAMEK
 Yes, sire. It took me ages to find
 you.
 (sniffles)
 I hope I didn't take too long...

Bowser grabs Kamek by both hands and shakes them vigorously.

BOWSER
 Don't worry. I owe you everything.
 Now let's go destroy Mario.

Bowser, Jr, and Kamek storm off.

Lumalee raises his arms in delight.

LUMALEE
 (gleefully)
 The king of evil has broken out!
 The end is nigh once again!

EXT. SKIES ABOVE PEACH'S CASTLE - LATER

The Comet Observatory floats above Toad Town serenely.

INT. COMET OBSERVATORY - LIBRARY - CONTINUOUS

The air is tense.

Mario, Luigi, Peach, Rosalina, Toad, Yoshi and Daisy sit in
 the library.

No one talks.

Then Rosalina breaks the silence.

ROSALINA
 So... what is Exor?

DAISY
 I literally just said I don't know
 what that is.

RUMBLE. Everyone looks.

ROSALINA
 I guess we're about to find out.

EXT. COMET OBSERVATORY - GARDEN - CONTINUOUS

The library doors swing open. The heroes walk outside.

Rosalina looks up at the skies.

Flying in is a CLOWN CAR, containing Bowser and Bowser Jr.

TOAD
(groaning)
Oh c'mon. Not them again.

PEACH
How'd they break out?

Bowser and Jr hop out of the clown car and land on the ground. Bowser walks up to Mario, arms wide.

BOWSER
Miss me?

Mario readies his fists. Luigi hesitates, then follows suit.

MARIO
Whatever this is, don't even THINK
about it.

BOWSER
(grinning)
Oh no, I'm already thinking.

Mario sighs and leaps forward at Bowser.

(TO WRITE: Quick fight sequence showcasing Mario and Luigi's skillset. They defeat Bowser quickly.)

BOWSER (CONT'D)
(wincing on the ground)
Ow...

Bowser Jr raises his arms up.

BOWSER JR
I SURRENDER!

Mario dusts himself off, eyes closed, satisfied.

MARIO
Alright. Now--

He opens his eyes. Everyone is staring upward, jaws dropped.

MARIO (CONT'D)
What's up?

Toad slowly points up.

TOAD

That.

Mario turns around and looks up. His eyes widen and his mouth goes agape.

Descending towards the Comet Observatory is a giant SWORD with enormous EYES and a fanged MOUTH. It shatters a giant star on the way. The star breaks into pieces.

MARIO

(very quietly)

Oh no.

(louder)

EVERYONE STAND BACK--

BOOM!

The sword hits the Observatory, impaling it. Everyone is knocked back by the shockwave.

Shielding his eyes, Mario gets up. He opens his eyes and looks up at the giant sword.

EXOR.

The others look up at this monstrosity, too.

TOAD

...I'm guessing that's Exor.

Exor opens his mouth, and from it emerges a portal. Walking out of the portal are weapon soldiers, who clear the way for their master.

In an instant, a large, bearded monster holding a giant sledge leaps out of Exor and lands on the ground.

He clocks everyone and scoffs.

SMITHY

Color. Whimsy. Serenity.

(beat)

Disgusting.

Luigi takes a step back and hides behind Mario.

LUIGI

(whispering to Mario)

I don't like this guy, Mario.

Smithy looks back at Exor and yells out.

SMITHY

Dimentio! Are these the morons
we're looking for?

A square expands in front of Exor, opening a dimensional
portal. Out comes Dimentio, grinning.

DIMENTIO

Of course they are, Smithy.
(clocks Daisy)
Oh, and it looks like they had a
little forewarning. The plot
thickens.

Daisy stands firm.

Peach narrows her eyes and furrows her brows.

PEACH

And what exactly are you supposed
to be?

Dimentio puts his hand on his chest, as if he was offended,
but dramatically so.

DIMENTIO

Oh, me?
(smiling)
I'm Dimentio. Master of dimensions.
Pleaser of crowds.
(motions at Smithy)
And this is my new partner in crime
-- Smithy. It's a really long story
how we met, honestly.
(beat)
We struck a deal.

ROSALINA

(readying her wand)
Leave. Now.

DIMENTIO

(chuckling)
Nah. I don't think so.
(motions)
Smithy here wants to take over this
world. Simple stuff.
(clocking Bowser, smiling)
But he's not the type to have silly
excuses like parental bonds or
romantic obsessions.

Bowser gasps, then walks up to Dimentio, as Junior follows
behind him.

BOWSER

Okay. First off, rude. You don't
insult a bad guy's motivation.

(pointing)

Second off: This world already HAS
a villain. ME. So scram.

(to Smithy)

And what are you supposed to be? A
hardware store reject?

Smithy narrows his eyes, and scowls.

SMITHY

You treat conquest like a sport. A
hobby.

(beat)

You're pathetic.

Bowser's eyes twitch.

Beat.

DIMENTIO

...Anyways.

(clocking Rosalina and
Peach)

All Smithy needs is some stardust
sisters, and a shattered Star Road.

He points up at the shattered Star Road.

Everyone stares at Rosalina and Peach. Rosalina's eyes widen.

ROSALINA

No... You don't mean...

DIMENTIO

Yes. The power of creation? That
will prove... useful. Very
efficient. Smithy here likes
efficiency.

Rosalina readies her wand.

ROSALINA

I won't let you!

She shoots a beam at Dimentio... who dodges it effortlessly.

Dimentio snaps his fingers, and constrains Rosalina in
floating squares. She struggles and grimaces.

PEACH

No!

Peach reaches out for Rosalina for a split second, then runs up to Dimentio to try to punch him--

Dimentio snaps his fingers, and constrains Peach too. He sucks energy out of Peach and Rosalina, and the energy goes flowing into Smithy.

DIMENTIO

(chuckling)

I guess losing runs in the family.

(to Smithy)

All yours!

Smithy stretches his knuckles and raises his hammer, as it sparkles with electricity.

The energy flows into Smithy's hammer. It crackles and hums -- alive now in a way it wasn't before.

SLAM!

He slams his hammer into the ground. He raises the hammer up. Spawning in is an axe-shaped soldier. The soldier comes to life, then salutes to Smithy.

Smithy raises an eyebrow.

SMITHY

Finally. No more need for raw material.

MARIO

Hold it!

Smithy looks behind him.

Mario and Luigi stand firm. They take out FIRE FLOWERS and use them. They power up, becoming FIRE MARIO and FIRE LUIGI.

Mario steps forward, and throws a fireball at the soldier.

The fireball bounces off the soldier and dissipates.

Beat.

Mario stares deeply.

MARIO (CONT'D)

Uh...

He throws another fireball, this time at Smithy. Smithy smacks the fireball down effortlessly. It scorches the ground.

Smithy looks at the scorch marks, then back at Mario.

SMITHY

Really? Is that all you can muster?

Luigi looks from side to side, and hides back behind Mario.

Mario stiffens his fists, and runs up to Smithy. Mario leaps forward--

And Smithy smacks him aside.

MARIO

Ow!

LUIGI

(screaming)

Mario!

Mario lands face-down, groaning.

Bowser eyes Mario, then eyes Smithy.

BOWSER

Okay. I see what you're doing.

(beat)

You're stealing my thunder.

(scowling)

I'M the one who's supposed to defeat Mario here.

He walks up to Smithy, fists clenched.

Smithy apathetically motions to Dimentio.

SMITHY

Dimentio.

DIMENTIO

Of course.

Dimentio snaps his fingers.

Nearby, Kamek is constrained in floating squares. His eyes turn red. The squares disappear, then he slowly turns his head towards Bowser.

Bowser tilts his head forward.

BOWSER

Kamek...?

Wordlessly, Kamek shoots a beam at Bowser. Bowser instinctively dodges it. The beam hits the ground, scorching it.

Bowser stares at the scorch mark, speechlessly.

He then stares back at Kamek.

BOWSER (CONT'D)

No...

(pleading)

C'mon man. You've known me since I was an egg.

(raising voice)

SNAP OUT OF IT.

DIMENTIO

(laughing)

No can do. He's ours now.

Dimentio snaps his fingers, and the squares binding Peach and Rosalina disappear. They fall to the ground, breathing heavily.

Smithy raises his hammer.

SMITHY

Consider this an... eviction.

SLAM! He hits the ground with his hammer.

A huge shockwave of electricity comes from it.

Everyone is sent flying in separate directions. They scream.

Just Smithy, Dimentio, and weapon soldiers are left standing.

SMASH CUT TO BLACK.

INT. A TOAD CHILD'S BEDROOM - CONTINUOUS

A young Toad sleeps peacefully. Beside his bed, on an end table, sits a WOODEN DOLL with a BLUE CAP.

A lone ball of light, shining bright, beams down into the doll. The doll glows.

The doll's hand twitches.

He sits up.

Looks at his hands. Stretches them.

Slowly stands up.

Looks around.

Eyes the sleeping Toad.

Sighs.

Exits the bedroom.

FADE TO:

EXT. FOREST MAZE - LATER

A WIGGLER waddles around.

It looks up, then hurries away.

BAM!

Crashlanding in a forest clearing are Mario and Bowser.

They get up, groaning.

They look up from the ground, and exchange looks.

They scowl at each other.

BOWSER

Oh great. I'm stranded with my own
worst enemy. This day couldn't get
any worse.

MARIO

Feeling's mutual.