The gentleman's name is Hyperion, skilled tracker, master of many weapons...

Today his target is the fabled mask of life, an artifact he thinks is too powerful for anyone to possess.

But a sudden rip tide sends his first shot off course...

...and he won't get a second one.

Stop! Don't harm that mask!
ROOO! I'VE BROKEN TOUGHER ROBUSTERS THAN YOU.

BACK OFF! OR I WILL PERSONALLY TEACH YOU THE MEANING OF "DEAD IN THE WATER!"

THE MASK OF LIFE LANDS IN THE CLAWS OF EVIL MANTAR!

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MINE! AND IT WILL STAY MINE!

OHHHH!

UNNNHH... SO WEAK... CAN'T EVEN MOVE...

THIS IS YOUR FAULT... IF YOU HADN'T INTERFERED, THE MASK WOULD BE MINE!

SOME CALL THIS MASK A CURSE, BUT IT WEAKENS MY ENEMIES AND MAKES ME STRONGER. NOW NO ONE CAN TAKE IT FROM ME.
By the time the Toa Mahri reached Hahu, both Hydraxon and Mantax were long gone. But there was a bigger problem to deal with.

Natoro warned that the cord linking Mahri Nui and Uova Nui had to be destroyed for the Great Spirit’s life to be saved, but doing it would endanger the Mahri of both islands.

So the Toa Mahri gathered the Mahri of Mahri Nui and led them up the cord. There they found Akonn, Guardian of Uova Nui, leading that island’s people down toward safety.

Together, they made sure the Mahri found shelter in underground chambers on Uova Nui, so they could ride out the storm to come.
THEN A LIVING "VEHICLE" PROVIDED BY AKON took the tow back down the cord and into battle.

BARRAKI AHEAD!

WE SPLIT UP! MATO ROI AND I WILL GO AFTER THE MASK!

WOW, YOU MAKE KONU LOOK HANDSOME.

YOU'RE ALMOST AS FRIENDLY AS HE IS, TOO.

SNAP!

CHEW ON THIS!

KRUNCHH...
YOU SHOULD REALLY DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT OVERBITE.

SORRY ABOUT THIS, BUT WE'RE FULL UP ON UGLY MONSTERS THIS WEEK. IF WE NEED MORE, WE'LL CALL.

ELSEWHERE...

SUMMONING ALL HIS WILLPOWER, JALLER USES HIS CONTROL OF HEAT AND FLAME TO TURN THE OCEAN AROUND NANTOK BOILING HOT.

GIVE IT UP, OR ELSE SOME LUCKY RAH IS GOING TO HAVE BOILED BEAKAK FOR DINNER.

NO, TOA. IT'S MINE--YOU WON'T TAKE IT FROM ME SO EASILY.
FROM UP ABOVE, TOA MAHRI MATOTO SPOTS A
NEW DANGER...

THE MAKILA'S ROBOT--
HEAD FOR JALIPE AND ONLY
I KNOW THAT ROBOTIC SHELL
CONTAINS THE MIND OF EVIL
MAKULA.

MANTAX IS DOWN...
THE MASK IS FINALLY
MINE FOR THE TAKING.
THAT MEANS WE CAN
SAVE THE LIFE OF THE
GREAT SPIRIT MATA
NUU!

ONE THOUSAND
YEARS OF FEAR,
AND DANGER, AND
DARKNESS EVEN IN
THE DAY... IT ALL
ENDS NOW, IF I HAVE
TO FREEZE YOU
FOR ALL TIME TO
DO IT.

MAKULA! IT
ENDS HERE
AND NOW!

WHAT...?
I DON'T
THINK
SO.
I think that mask belongs to me.

This time, no one keeps me from crushing that cursed mask.

No!

Stupid... I'll just go over or around it.

No... I really don't think you will.
SPINAX!
GET BACK!

MY THANKS, TOA, FOR THAT WELL-TIMED WALL OF FIRE. NOT THAT I COULDN'T HAVE FUELED MYSELF, BUT I WAS CURIOUS TO SEE HOW FAR MATROD WOULD GO.

OH, AND HYDRA... AS YOU CAN SEE BY HIS BEING AT YOUR THEORIST, SPINAX AND I HAVE BECOME... FRIENDS, AND NOW I'LL TAKE THAT MASK.

MATROD!
GRAB IT!

GOT IT!

LONG STORY, A BETTER QUESTION IS WHY HE ISN'T TRYING TO STOP US FROM GETTING AWAY WITH THE MASK.

I HAVE MY REASONS, LITTLE TOA. I DO INDEED.
ARE YOU SURE WE NEED TO DO THIS?

YES. THE COBD HAS TO BE SWARETLED SO THAT THE ISLAND ABOVE US—KOH
KU—CAN RETURN TO WHERE IT BELONGS. AND WHEREVER IT GOES, THIS MASK HAS
TO GO, TOO.

AND THAT HELPS MATA NUI FEEL EVER-BETTER?

THAT'S THE RUMOR.

WELL, WE'VE GOT THE BLASTERS, AND WE CAN'T MISS THAT TARGET.

LET'S DO IT!

KRAKKA BOOM
What follows is a sight no Toa Makhi will ever forget. The island of Voya Nui, freed from its “anchor” for the first time in centuries, plunges beneath the water...

Twisting, spiraling, Voya Nui falls through the ocean as if being pulled by an irresistible force.

Its path puts it on a collision course with Makhi Nui, and it smashes that lost city into rubble before speeding back toward its home.
THANK THE GREAT BEINGS WE WERE ABLE TO GET ALL THE NATOREAN OF BOTH ISLANDS TO SAFETY. NO ONE WOULD HAVE SURVIVED THAT.

THE MASK—IT'S BEING PULLED IN THE WAKE OF UOYA NUL—as if it knows where it needs to go.

Then we follow it.

And fast—we have company, in case you didn't notice.

"Lots of company, and all of it nasty."

And time is running out—For us, for Mata Nui, and for the universe!"
WHEREVER VOYA NUI IS HEADED, THAT'S WHERE THE MASK OF LIFE NEEDS TO BE USED. I'M SURE OF IT. IF THE GREAT SPIRIT CAN ONLY HANG ON FOR A FEW MOMENTS MORE...

WHAT'S--WHAT'S HAPPENING??

BUT SOMETIMES, COURAGE AND DETERMINATION AREN'T ENOUGH. SOMETIMES, EVEN A HERO CAN BE...TOO LATE.

I NEVER FELT ANYTHING LIKE THAT... IT FELT LIKE...NO... THE MASK OF LIFE... IT'S GONE DARK. IT'S OVER, ALL OF IT, I KNOW...IT'S OVER.

THE GREAT SPIRIT MATA NUI IS DEAD!
TITANS OF THE DEEP!

MAXILOS & SPINAX
The robot Maxilos was originally a guard in the Pit. But its mechanical body has been taken over by the evil Makuta, who claims he is there to help the Toa Mahri. But what is his real plot? And will the Toa discover it in time, or is it already too late? Along with the weapons of Maxilos, Makuta still has access to almost all of his original powers, although he cannot shapeshift in this new body.
Spinax, Maxilos' pet, can track an escaped prisoner across a planet by following his unique energy trail. Spinax never grows tired and will stay on the hunt until his quarry is captured.

MAXILOS
Weapons: Twin-bladed black fire sword; shoulder-mounted Cordak blaster
Trivia: Only Toa Mahri Matora knows that Maxilos is really Makuta!

AGILITY: 10
STRENGTH: 15
TOUGHNESS: 13
MIND: 16

SPINAX
Natural Tools: Claws; teeth; enhanced tracking sense (MIND +10)
Trivia: The ultimate energy hound – can track anyone, anywhere, and never tires of the chase!

AGILITY: 10
STRENGTH: 9
TOUGHNESS: 9
MIND: 7

GADUNKA
Once, Gadunka was a anything except small. Mask of Life caused him to be strong enough to bite and strong enough to bite. Gadunka has no real weapons, but has no real weapons, and when his bite is eaten, he is a serious threat.

Natural Tools: Claws
Trivia: Gadunka has no real weapons, but when his bite is eaten, he is a serious threat.
HYDRAXON

The original Hydraxon, jailer of the Pit, died in an earthquake over 1000 years ago. But the power of the Mask of Life transformed the Matoran Dekar into a new Hydraxon. A relentless tracker and skilled weapons-master, Hydraxon believes everyone in the Pit – including the Toa Mahri – is an escaped prisoner who must be recaptured!

**Weapons:** Explosive boomerangs, wrist knives, Cordak blaster

**Trivia:** The new Hydraxon has all the memories and skills of the old one, but doesn’t remember he was ever Dekar.

| AGILITY: | 12 |
| STRENGTH: | 13 |
| TOUGHNESS: | 14 |
| MIND: | 11 |

GADUNKA

Once, Gadunka was a tiny marine creature, no real threat to anything except small fish. Then exposure to the energies of the Mask of Life caused him to grow to enormous size. Wild, vicious, and strong enough to bite boulders in half with his powerful jaws, he is a serious threat to the success of the Toa’s mission!

**Weapons:** Cordak blaster

**Natural Tools:** Claws, teeth

**Trivia:** Gadunka has no idea what the Mask of Life really is – he just remembers using it for shelter, and so believes it belongs to him.

| AGILITY: | 9 |
| STRENGTH: | 15 |
| TOUGHNESS: | 15 |
| MIND: | 5 |
KARZAHNI

The ruler of a nightmare realm is out to conquer the Pit – and he has the power to do it! Can two brave Matoran help bring him down, or is Mahri Nui doomed?

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