

HALL PATROL Ep. 101 (Pilot)

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1 EXT. DIVERGENT MIDDLE SCHOOL - DAY 1

EST of Divergent Middle School.

NARRATOR

(V.O.)

Divergent Middle School, the
epicenter where the fate of the
world lies in balance as good and
evil clash.

2 INT. HALLWAY - DAY 2

FINN FANTASTIC, 14, leader of the Hall Patrol (a specialized
team of middle school kids who thwart all things evil)
stands tall before the president of the Evil Genius Club,
MORIARSKI, 13. NARRATOR tells the tale of his heroism off
screen.

FREEZE FRAME on Finn.

SUPER: "Finn Fantastic" "The Leader" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes.

NARRATOR

Finn Fantastic, leader of the Hall
Patrol stands proudly against the
evil Janus Yinkleman.

SUPER: "Janus Yinkleman"

MORIARSKI

(to Narrator)

It's pronounced Yanus! The J sounds
like a Y! And the name is Moriarski
now! Get it right!

NARRATOR

(clears throat)

Sorry.

SUPER: "Janus Yinkleman" erases. "Moriarski" "Evil Genius"
stamps on the screen.

NARRATOR

The evil Moriarski, a boy genius
turned mad scientist with
aspirations of ruling the world.

FINN
Give it up, Yanus!

MORIARSKI
You think you're so clever, don't
you? But I'M the evil genius here!

FINN
This won't end well for you. It
never does.

MORIARSKI
Clam it! You have no idea what lies
in store for you. Say hello to...
the Demoralizer!

Moriarski pulls out a specialized beam gun with a water tank on top full of gray water. Moriarski laughs maniacally. HANK and HENRIETTA HENCH, twin brother and sister, 12, step out to Moriarski's sides, laughing with him - though, unsure why.

FREEZE FRAME on Hank and Henrietta with curious looks at each other behind Moriarski's back.

SUPER: "Hank & Henrietta Hench" "Lackeys" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes. Finn thinks quickly and speaks into his communicator watch.

FINN
Tommy! Where's that shield?

[INTERCUT WITH...]

3 INT. HALL PATROL HQ - DAY

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TOMMY TECH, 12, sits at his computer terminal watching Finn on one screen and RYAN ROMAN, 13, running with a shield on another.

TOMMY
It's en route! Stall for a little
longer if you can!

FREEZE FRAME on Tommy.

SUPER: "Tommy Tech"

NARRATOR

Three guesses what his specialty
is.

SUPER: "Tech Expert" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes.

MORIARSKI

No mere shield can save you!

Moriarski takes aim and fires. KAREN KICKSTAR, 12, martial arts and weapons expert, grabs a trash can lid and frisbee throws it. It takes the force of the beam and bounces back, Karen catching it mid-flight.

FREEZE FRAME on Karen.

SUPER: "Karen Kickstar" "Weapons Expert" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes. Karen joins Finn.

FINN

Great work, Karen!

MORIARSKI

You think I'm foolish enough to be
beaten by a trash can?! Let me show
you, RAPID FIRE!!

Moriarski flips a switch on the gun. Multiple beams fire at Finn and Karen. Ryan steps in with the large shield - similar to a riot shield.

FREEZE FRAME on Ryan.

SUPER: "Ryan Roman" "The Muscle" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes.

FINN

Excellent timing, Ryan!

Ryan nods. The beams hit the shield hard.

TOMMY

Deploying energy barrier in 3, 2,
1. Mark!

Tommy presses a button on his console.

The riot shield energizes; the beams reflecting off an energy barrier. Two beams hit Hank and Henrietta. Their colors de-saturate, and they cry.

HANK
(crying)
Boss, we can't win.

HENRIETTA
(crying)
We always lose. It's hopeless!

MORIARSKI
Dang it! Hank! Henrietta! Get back
to the lab!

Hank and Henrietta retreat sobbing hysterically.

MORIARSKI
Useless. Fine, I don't need them to
take you down.

Moriarski continues to rapid fire. Finn, Karen, and Ryan hide behind the shield when the protective energy shuts off.

FINN
What happened?

TOMMY
The Demoralizer is too powerful. It
overloaded the dampeners. Take him
down before it fails completely!

[END INTERCUT]

KAREN
How?!

RYAN
I don't know how much longer I can
hold this!

As the beams fly by and slam into the shield, time slows down.

FINN'S POV: Moriarski's firing pattern slows. A HUD appears with technical information on the sides. Red prediction lines extend on the beam paths. An opening on the right side highlights with a yellow hue. A green arrow pops up pointing at the opening and bounces off of the third locker, then targets Moriarski's beam canon.

FINN
Ryan! Two steps forward!

Ryan pushes forward two steps against the barrage.

FINN
Karen! Aim directly at locker
number 3!

Karen nods, winds up, spins, and throws the lid at the locker. It ricochets and slams into the Demoralizer, bending the barrel backwards. Moriarski looks at his broken gun and pulls the trigger, accidentally shooting himself. His color de-saturates, and he cries.

MORIARSKI
(through heavy sobs)
You- you- you haven't seen the last
of me, Hall Patrol! I'll be
baaaaaahhh ah ah ah!!

Moriarski runs away. The team cheers.

4 INT. HALL PATROL HQ - LATER

4

Finn, Ryan, and Karen enter. Tommy stands from his console and takes the shield from Ryan.

FINN
Fantastic work, Team!

KAREN
Hall Patrol at its finest!

Karen high-fives Finn.

TOMMY
I think if I up the wattage, it'll
counterbalance the phase of his
gunfire.

RYAN
It worked great. Until it shut
down, I mean.

KAREN
Yeah. You're lucky the trash can
worked.

FINN
We won, that's what's important.

RYAN

You're right. We do make an awesome team.

FINN

I couldn't agree more... which is why I'm sad to say I'm putting in my resignation today.

RYAN

What?

TOMMY

No!

KAREN

You can't be serious.

FINN

Guys. We've been through so much these past 2 years, but I'm graduating soon. I can't keep leading you from high school.

RYAN

How do you expect us to replace you?

KAREN

That's easy. We can't.

FINN

You three are amazing on your own. You make this team what it is. I KNOW you'll do great things without me. You just have to believe in yourselves like I do.

KAREN

Easier said than done.

TOMMY

Finn, I trust your judgment. I wish you the best.

KAREN

Tommy!

RYAN

No, he's right. We all knew this wouldn't last forever. We'll make due.

FINN
I'll still be around but as of
today, I am no longer your leader.

Finn shakes Tommy and Ryan's hands, then turns to Karen.

FINN
Karen?

KAREN
Don't expect me to get all sappy
over here.

FINN
(smiling)
I wouldn't dream of it.

Karen quickly hugs him awkwardly, then moves to her computer wiping a tear away while no one is looking.

5 INT. HALL PATROL HQ HALLWAY - DAY

5

As Finn exits Hall Patrol HQ, Moriarski, Hank, and Henrietta peek their heads around the corner, each one's head above the other like a totem pole; Moriarski at the top.

TOMMY
(O.S.)
Oh, Finn!

Finn turns back to look inside.

TOMMY
(O.S.)
Do you have any leads for your
replacement?

FINN
Not presently, no. But I'll see
about getting you a list of
potentials by tomorrow.

RYAN
(O.S.)
Thank you!

FINN
I appreciate you guys.

KAREN

(O.S.)

If you're going then go! Only REAL
Hall Patrol members are allowed in
here!

Finn smiles and walks away.

MORIARSKI

So, Finn's leaving the team, aye?

HANK

Where's he going?

MORIARSKI

He graduates this year but left the
team earlier than expected. This is
most excellent news.

HENRIETTA

Yeah, but where's he going?

Moriarski slowly lowers his gaze to her.

MORIARSKI

High school.

HENRIETTA

(taking a moment to process)

Right.

MORIARSKI

It's time for phase 2 to begin.

HANK

What's phase 2?

MORIARSKI

Just get back to the lab.

They all sneak back around the corner at the same time.

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INT. EVIL GENIUS CLUB LAB - DAY

6

Moriarski, Hank, and Henrietta enter. It looks like a mad
scientist's lab: bubbling concoctions, fantastic inventions,
and a portrait of "Professor Moriarty", Moriarski's idle,
that he blows a kiss to with a wink.

MORIARSKI

With Finn out of the way, there's
nothing to stop me now.

HENRIETTA

Is he taking the Hall Patrol with him?

MORIARSKI

No. But without him the team will fall apart. They'll be too sad to function as a unit.

HANK

So then we hit them with the Demoralizer. Brilliant!

MORIARSKI

Forget the Demoralizer. The aiming system is off.

HENRIETTA

Didn't you shoot yourself with it?

MORIARSKI

There's no proof of that.

HANK

But you were crying when you got back-

MORIARSKI

Enough! Phase 2 is more important.

HENRIETTA

What's phase 2?

MORIARSKI

The best plan I've ever had.

Moriarski laughs out loud, then stops when he notices Hank and Henrietta aren't laughing.

MORIARSKI

What did we discuss?

HANK

Oh right!

HENRIETTA

Always laugh when you laugh.

MORIARSKI

Thank you.

Moriarski laughs again. Hank and Henrietta both laugh maniacally with him. The laughter slowly dies.

HENRIETTA
But what's phase 2?

NARRATOR
Nobody really knew what phase 2
actually was.

Moriarski walks away annoyed.

7 INT. HISTORY CLASSROOM - DAY

7

The bell rings as Miss TINA TUCKER, 20s with a Southern drawl, writes "Biological Warfare" on the board. The Hall Patrol and the Evil Genius Club members sit at opposite sides of the room making faces at each other.

NARRATOR
The next day in history class, the beautiful Miss Tina Tucker poses in front of her students with style and grace.

MISS TUCKER
(to Narrator, flipping her hair)
Why thank you.

FREEZE FRAME on Miss Tucker striking a pose, hand on hip.

SUPER: "Tina Tucker" "History Teacher" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes.

MISS TUCKER
Alright, take your seats. I have an announcement. We have a new student today. She just transferred from the East Coast. Everyone say hello to Norma. Come on in, Sweetie!

NORMA NORMAN, 11, walks in hesitantly, standing plainly in front of the class.

MISS TUCKER
Norma... Norman? Is that right?

NORMA
Yeah.

HENRIETTA
(quietly)
Look at the eye broccoli.

Moriarski and Hank chuckle to themselves.

MISS TUCKER

Now, I want everyone to do their best to make sure she feels at home. Mmkay?

(mood changes ominously)

And I mean it!

EVERYONE

(unenthusiastically)

Yes, Miss Tucker.

MISS TUCKER

(smiling and cheerful again)

Go on and take a seat.

Norma walks by the Evil Genius Club members. Hank pulls an empty chair in close, putting his feet on top.

HANK

Sorry. It's taken.

FINN

You can sit over here.

MISS TUCKER

Thank you, Finn.

Norma walks over and shyly sits next to Finn and the group, forcing a smile.

TOMMY

Don't mind them. They're not worth your time.

FINN

(holding out his hand)

Name's Finn. Finn Fantastic.

NORMA

(half grabbing his hand)

Norma Norman.

KAREN

That's a strange name.

TOMMY

(to Karen)

That's not very nice.

KAREN

We all have weird names. It was a compliment.

RYAN

Shh. The lesson is starting.

MISS TUCKER

Mmkay. So today's lesson is about how smallpox practically wiped out an entire people. Turn to page 161.

NARRATOR

On the other side of the classroom. Moriarski doesn't like how Finn's getting chummy with the new girl.

MORIARSKI

I don't like how he's getting chummy with the new girl.

NARRATOR

I just said that.

Moriarski sneers up to the Narrator, then brushes it off.

HENRIETTA

Jealous?

MORIARSKI

Don't be ridiculous. I don't want him bringing in any new prospects now that he's retired.

After a moment...

NARRATOR

He's definitely jealous.

MORIARSKI

(to the Narrator)

I'm not jealous!

MISS TUCKER

Yanus!

(ominious)

Pipe. Down.

Moriarski slinks into his seat.

MORIARSKI

Yes, Miss Tucker.

The class continues in full swing.

DISSOLVE TO

8 INT. HISTORY CLASSROOM - LATER

8

The whole class has fallen asleep except Norma taking detailed notes.

MISS TUCKER

(cheerfully)

And that's how they lost thousands of people to famine and disease. Biological warfare is best deployed when Nature is on your side.

The bell rings. Everyone wakes up.

MISS TUCKER

I hope ya'll were paying attention. Make sure to read chapters 26 and 27 tonight on the Bubonic Plague because...

(ominous)

There's a quiz tomorrow.

(cheerfully)

Please prepare well.

EVERYONE

(unenthusiastically)

Yes, Miss Tucker.

Miss Tucker smiles and packs up.

MORIARSKI

(quietly to his group)

Follow my lead.

Moriarski calmly walks over to Finn with his hands behind his back; Finn engrossed in conversation with his team.

KAREN

What do you want?

MORIARSKI

I wanted to talk to Finn.

RYAN

Talk? That's a first.

Moriarski clears his throat.

MORIARSKI

Finn, my good man. I heard the unfortunate news. My sources tell me you've resigned as President of the Hall Patrol.

The rest of the team sulks.

FINN

What are you up to?

MORIARSKI

What? I am appalled you think I'd take this as good news. You've been my greatest rival- a nemesis above all nemeses. I respect that.

Behind Moriarski's back, he slips on what looks like a hand buzzer onto his finger.

MORIARSKI

(holding his hand out)

I just wanted to say good luck in the future.

FINN

(slightly smiling)

Thanks, Yanus. I appreciate thaaaa-

Finn grabs Moriarski's hand. A bolt of electricity runs through his arm up to his head. Finn, in a trance, speaks plainly with his eyes wide.

KAREN

Finn? Are you alright?

Moriarski twists a dial on his hand buzzer. Finn reacts.

FINN

I am fine.

TOMMY

Are you sure?

FINN

Absolutely.

MORIARSKI

What was that you were saying?

FINN

I was saying you are also my greatest rival. A genius among

(MORE)

FINN (cont'd)
geniuses. You are on a level I
could never even dream of
achieving.

MORIARSKI
(blushing)
Stop! You don't mean that.

FINN
I do. Compared to you, my efforts
are minuscule.

RYAN
What are you saying?

FINN
The truth. It's about time we stop
fighting.

MORIARSKI
You're absolutely right. I know
we've had our differences, but I
hope we can work with you Hall
Patrol peons- I mean, people and
build a better future.

FINN
That is the best idea I've ever
heard. Brilliant.

MORIARSKI
You're too kind. Just too kind!
Come on back to my lab. I'll show
you around. You can even bring your
new friend.

Finn turns to Norma still in her seat.

FINN
Do you wanna check it out? I hear
it's cool.

KAREN
Maybe she's better off with us.

FINN
Don't be silly. She can make the
decision for herself.
(to Norma)
Well? What do you say?

NORMA
 (hesitant)
 Sure, I guess.

Norma leaves with Finn, Moriarski, Hank, and Henrietta.

RYAN
 Something's not right.

KAREN
 Obviously.

TOMMY
 We should follow them.

KAREN
 What did you think I was gonna do?

TOMMY
 I'm just saying.

RYAN
 Go back to the lab and see if you
 can track them.

Tommy leaves upset.

KAREN
 Come on.

Karen and Ryan leave together.

9 INT. HALLWAY - DAY

9

Karen and Ryan follow Finn and the rest when they stop in front of a janitor's closet. Henrietta opens the door. Moriarski pops a switch on a watch and a portal opens.

MORIARSKI
 (bowing)
 After you, my dear.

NORMA
 What's in there?

HANK
 It's our hidden-

Moriarski bumps Hank.

HANK

I mean- our secret lab.

FINN

It's OK. It's legit cool. Trust me.

Norma shrugs and reluctantly enters. Karen and Ryan look at each other confused.

RYAN

(into his comm)

Are you seeing this?

[INTERCUT WITH...]

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INT. HALL PATROL HQ - DAY

10

Tommy monitors their view from the Comm Watch. He flicks a switch and heat signatures pop up in the closet, but then disappear one-by-one.

TOMMY

Woah! Did you see that?

KAREN

See what?

The rest of Moriarski's group follows. Henrietta closes the door behind her.

TOMMY

Their heat signatures. They're gone.

RYAN

What do you mean gone?

TOMMY

They just-... disappeared. Let me run another scan.

KAREN

Ugh. Enough with the scanning. You guys never take enough action.

TOMMY

You think you know better, then you find them.

KAREN

Fine, I will.

JENKINS

Didn't I tell you kids to stay out
of my closet?!

RYAN

It's not what it looks like.

KAREN

We're trying to find our friend.

JENKINS

These closets aren't playgrounds!

Mister MIKE MITCHELL, 20s, the Math Teacher who always wears
a bow tie, walks by and intervenes.

MISTER MITCHELL

Hey, what's all the ruckus?

FREEZE FRAME on Mister Mitchell.

SUPER: "Mike Mitchell" "Math Teacher" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes.

JENKINS

These kids are messing with my
supplies again!

KAREN

No, we're not!

MISTER MITCHELL

Alright, alright. Why don't you
tell me what you were doing.

TOMMY

We're looking for Finn and the new
girl. We think Yanus has done
something bad to them.

JENKINS

You see? They're playing games! I
want suspensions!

MISTER MITCHELL

I don't think this requires
suspension, but I'll take them to
Principal Pomperness.

KAREN

What?!

RYAN

What?!

MISTER MITCHELL
That means you too, Tommy.

TOMMY
Yes, Sir.

Mister Mitchell escorts Karen and Ryan away.

JENKINS
Serves you right.

[END INTERCUT]

11 INT. EVIL GENIUS CLUB LAB - DAY 11

Moriarski watches Mr. Mitchell escort Karen and Ryan away on a monitor. He laughs triumphantly. Hank and Henrietta guard Norma, tied up with a cloth over her mouth. Finn stands unmoving in his trance.

MORIARSKI
What did I tell you?

HANK
That you weren't jealous.

MORIARSKI
Not that!

HENRIETTA
Phase 2 was your greatest idea.

MORIARSKI
Yes, it is. Everything is going just as I planned. Now that I have Finn, the Hall Patrol is falling apart.

Moriarski laughs maniacally. Hank and Henrietta laugh as well. Finn awkwardly laughs robotically.

12 INT. PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE - DAY 12

Mister PATRICK POMPERNESS, 40s, the Principal of Divergent Middle School, sits at his desk. He believes everything the students do is to release tween angst and energy. He's overly diplomatic to a fault. Karen, Ryan, and Tommy try to tell the same story at the same time. Mr. Mitchell stands behind the students. Pomperness puts his hand to his face and temple.

POMPERNESS

One at a time. One at a time!

FREEZE FRAME on Mister Pomperness, hand on his face.

SUPER: "Patrick Pomperness" "Principal" stamps on the screen.

Time resumes.

KAREN

Finn and Norma were kidnapped. They disappeared into the janitor's closet.

POMPERNESS

You kids have some crazy club initiations these days.

TOMMY

It's not an initiation, Sir. The Evil Genius Club has gone too far this time and needs to be disbanded.

RYAN

Disbanded? We need to break down the door and rescue them!

KAREN

That's the first sensible thing you've said all day. We bust in and start knocking heads!

RYAN

That's going a bit too far.

TOMMY

I agree.

KAREN

Are you crazy? You think they're just going to hand them over?

POMPERNESS

(slowly standing)

That's enough!

The lights flicker as thunder rumbles. The kids quiet down. The lights go back to normal.

POMPERNESS

I don't know what the problem is with you and the Evil Genius Club, but I won't tolerate it. You don't even have a President. That should be your first priority. If you don't find someone by the end of the day, then Hall Patrol will be the one disbanded.

KAREN

But Mister Pomperness-

POMPERNESS

No buts!

Pomperness snatches a School Club Manual nearby and quickly rifles to somewhere in the middle.

POMPERNESS

(showing the manual rule)
The Evil Genius Club has a president. Hall Patrol does not. Find one, or I shut you down. Those are the rules.

Mr. Mitchell escorts the team out. Karen, Ryan, and Tommy leave the office, their spirits down.

13 INT. HALL PATROL HQ - DAY

13

Karen, Ryan, and Tommy sit apart from each other.

RYAN

I'm sorry for trying to tell you what to do. I know I'm not Finn.

TOMMY

I'm sorry too. I don't know how to lead like him.

KAREN

All I wanna do is fight everyone. You think that makes me a good leader?

TOMMY

I don't even know what to do next. We'll be disbanded by tomorrow.

They sit in silence.

RYAN
 (standing up)
 If this is our last day together,
 then we should make one last
 attempt to save Finn.

Tommy hops to his feet, moving closer.

TOMMY
 You're right. If we're going down,
 we go down together. As a team.

Karen stands up and joins them.

KAREN
 I'm with you guys! It's what Finn
 would have wanted.

Karen puts her hand in the center. Tommy puts his on top.
 Ryan puts his hand on top of theirs.

RYAN
 Let's go rescue Finn and Norma.

Yeah! KAREN Yeah! TOMMY

SPEEDY SERIES:

- Karen pulls on gloves, fixes her boots, and secures a slingshot to her belt.
- Tommy loads 3 tech devices onto his belt, one with a small satellite attached to the end of a wand (Directional Sound Pulsar).
- Ryan pulls a vest on, secures a headband, and smashes his fist into his hand.
- The 3 of them stand tall in heroic glory, wind blowing through their hair.

NARRATOR
 (over Series)
 The Hall Patrol preps for their
 final mission, ready to take on the
 Evil Genius Club.

Tommy drops one of his inventions. Karen and Ryan both turn to him judgmentally. He quickly picks it up and stuffs it into his belt.

TOMMY

Sorry. I'm not used to fieldwork.

NARRATOR

Well, as ready as they could be.

Tommy smiles awkwardly.

14 INT. EVIL GENIUS CLUB LAB - DAY

14

A candle burns.

NARRATOR

Meanwhile...

Moriarski has set up the lab with romantic decor; the candle set in a candelabra on top of a white tablecloth. He reads through a menu; Hank dressed as a waiter. Finn stands in his trance behind Moriarski. Henrietta plays music off a recording device.

MORIARSKI

I just can't decide. Fish or beef.
What do you think?

REVEAL: Norma sits across him still tied up with a cloth over her mouth. She mumbles something incoherent - she's already given up on reasoning.

MORIARSKI

You're absolutely right. The fish.

HANK

An excellent choice.

Hank takes the menu, bows, and exits. Moriarski picks up a wine glass and swirls the reddish liquid inside.

MORIARSKI

This place has excellent reviews.
Cranberry juice?

Norma shakes her head. Hank pushes a couple of buttons on a dumbwaiter door. The monitor displays a fish. A microwave pops on, cooking a meal.

MORIARSKI

Suit yourself.

The display dings and reads, "Your meal is ready."
Hank pulls out 2 piping hot plates, puts them on a tray, and carries them to the table.

HANK
Your fish, Sir.

Hank places down the two plates of fish sticks.

MORIARSKI
Thank you.

Moriarski inhales a whiff through his nose.

MORIARSKI
Smells delicious.

Norma looks away.

MORIARSKI
It's best to know who your friends
are and who not to make enemies of.

Moriarski twists the nob on his hand buzzer.

FINN
There's no better master alive than
you.

MORIARSKI
Well thank you, my good man.

BANG! BANG! BANG!

MORIARSKI
What is that?

Hank and Henrietta find their place on either side of
Moriarski. The door breaks down. Ryan enters, dusting off
his hands; Karen and Tommy close behind.

RYAN
Hall Patrol is on the scene!

MORIARSKI
Get them!

Hank and Henrietta engage with Ryan and Karen. Tommy stands
up to Moriarski and Finn.

MORIARSKI
Take care of him!

Moriarski twists the nob on his hand buzzer.

FINN
As you wish, Master.

Finn marches toward Tommy.

TOMMY
Uh, guys?! How do I proceed?

Tommy dodges Finn's advancements. He pulls out the Directional Sound Pulsar and uses short bursts against him. Little pulsing waves hit him, making him stutter step.

Karen and Ryan have trouble fighting against Hank and Henrietta alone. Norma watches each of their fights.

Finn grabs Tommy and throws him on the table next to Norma and Moriarski. Finn grabs his lapels, pinning him down.

Henrietta trips up Karen; she falls on her back. Hank knocks Ryan backward; he drops to a knee. Moriarski laughs.

MORIARSKI
You weaklings are no match for me anymore.

Norma attempts to tell Tommy something.

TOMMY
What?

Norma tries to simulate a kick as best as she can while tied up.

MORIARSKI
Now that I have Finn under my control, everything is within my grasp! First the school, then the world!

Moriarski laughs maniacally. Hank and Henrietta laugh with him. Finn laughs awkwardly.

NARRATOR
Is this the end of our heroes! Will they continue to be overpowered? Does Moriarski finally have the world within his reach-

Norma finally slips out of the gag.

NORMA
Hey!

Everyone freezes, staring at her.

NORMA
Kick him off of you.

Tommy kicks Finn. Finn flies backward, stumbling into a wall.

NORMA
(to the Hall Patrol)
You're stronger together so quit
fighting alone!

Karen and Ryan get up. Moriarski cringes and pulls back.

MORIARSKI
Destroy them!

Finn regains his footing, ready to advance on Tommy when Ryan intercepts, pushing him away. Hank hits Ryan hard, slamming him into a pillar and breaking off a large piece of concrete. Karen fires a pellet at Hank, hitting him in the head. Henrietta advances, but Tommy intervenes with the Directional Sound Pulsar.

Norma frees herself. The Hall Patrol regroup to make their escape, but the Evil Genius Club and Finn block the doorway.

MORIARSKI
You're all washed up, Hall Patrol.

Moriarski turns a knob on his buzzer. Finn walks forward.

KAREN
Finn! Snap out of it!

RYAN
Don't you recognize us?

TOMMY
We're your friends!

Finn doesn't react. Norma sees Moriarski controlling the hand buzzer.

NORMA'S POV: Tommy's Directional Sound Pulsar highlights green. Karen's slingshot highlights green. The broken pillar piece highlights green as well.

NORMA
(to Ryan)
Muscles! Throw that brick!

Ryan looks at the concrete, picks it up and, tosses it at the group. They all duck out of the way.

NORMA
Tech guy, use your sound device on
full blast!

TOMMY
But Finn-

NORMA
Just do it!

Tommy fires his Directional Sound Pulsar all the way down this time, larger waves emanating from it. Moriarski, Hank, Henrietta, and Finn plug their ears in pain.

NORMA
Kick girl!

KAREN
It's Kickstar!

NORMA
Kickstar! Aim for that hand buzzer!

Karen spots the buzzer on Moriarski's hand.

KAREN
(taking aim)
On it! And the name... is Karen.

Karen pulls back a pellet and fires. It flies in slow motion and slams the hand buzzer, breaking it completely.

Electricity on Finn's head reverses; he wakes up.

RYAN
Finn? Are you OK?

FINN
Yeah. I'm back.

The team cheers. Finn picks up Moriarski by the collar.

FINN
That's the last time I ever shake
hands with evil. Lesson learned.

The Hall Patrol smile and jeer.

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Pomperness sits with his arms crossed.

POMPERNESS

What a pickle.

He closes the manual and looks at everyone in a dirty mess.

POMPERNESS

(to Norma)

What do you think I should do?

NORMA

Me?

Everyone looks at Norma except Moriarski, Hank, and Henrietta. Mr. Mitchell behind them.

NORMA

I mean, they didn't really do anything too bad. I think they're fine so long as they don't start anymore trouble.

POMPERNESS

I see. You three are dismissed.

HANK

Just like that?

Moriarski bumps Hank with his elbow; he promptly shuts up. The three of them head out of the office. Moriarski stops and sneers.

MORIARSKI

This isn't over, Hall Patrol.

Moriarski exits after Hank and Henrietta.

TOMMY

May we be dismissed too?

POMPERNESS

There's still the issue of a missing President. Without one, the Hall Patrol is disbanded. Rules are rules.

FINN

Mr. Pomperness, I think I have someone.

POMPERNESS

Oh?

FINN

I nominate Norma Norman to take my place.

NORMA

(eyes wide)

Say what now?

FINN

(to Pomperness)

She has excellent leadership skills and sound judgment. I have full confidence she can fill the position well.

RYAN

She did bring us together.

TOMMY

And saw things in a way we couldn't.

KAREN

She noticed the mind control device. I didn't.

POMPERNESS

Hm. Norma. Will you accept the role as President of the Hall Patrol?

Every looks at Norma with hopeful eyes. Finn nods at her.

NORMA

Yeah sure. Why not?

Karen, Ryan, and Tommy cheer. Finn stands a bit taller.

POMPERNESS

So it's settled. From this day forth, you will be known as the Hall Patrol President; responsible for fulfilling all aspects of your mission statement.

Finn, Karen, Ryan, and Tommy shake her hand, congratulate her, pat her back, overall celebrate as Norma tries to absorb what's going on. Epic music soars for her victory.

NARRATOR

And that is how plain old Norma
Norman came to lead the Hall Patrol
in some of their greatest
adventures - and not anything tame
either. I'm talking fire, snakes,
killer robots; danger creeping
around every corner-

The music interrupts with a record scratch.

NORMA

(to Narrator)

Wait, what?!

NARRATOR

Just go with it.

Epic music resumes as she now regrets her decision.

NARRATOR

More adventures lie ahead! Tune in
next time for another death-defying
adventure of...

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TITLE: "HALL PATROL"

NARRATOR

Hall Patrol!!

CUT TO BLACK

THE END