

# The OBW / IGJ transition

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Nicholas Gevers — 01 Aug 2000, 01:48

One important clue to why IGJ starts out in a different, much more positive mood than Horn was in at the end of OBW can be found, naturally enough, in Chapter 1 of IGJ: the encounter with Cugino. It's not only that Cugino's friendly helpfulness restores some of Horn's confidence in the potentiality for human goodness, a small demonstration that Horn psychologically multiplies; more, Cugino's crafting of a staff for Horn symbolises the possibility of the liberation of humanity (the tree) from the oppression of the inhumani (the creeper). I suspect that this unobtrusive scene can help illuminate the secret of the inhumani; it certainly lifts Horn's spirits considerably.