Daisuke collects the hay at the Rocket Ranch: it was a beautiful day, Vega did not attack and even Dambei has not grumbled a lot. He hopes that this could last forever, but he knows that it is impossible. How to confirm his fears, now he hears the clock ticking. Professor Umon is calling him:

"Duke, the Shadow is attacking!"

"What? You mean Vega, father? "

"No, no ... the Shadow!"

The ticking gets louder, louder and louder, until daisuke wakes up and looks around. He is in bed, sleeping next to Hikaru, and he still hears that noise. He understands that it is the radio: the Grand Vizier is calling for him. Duke quickly opens the contact.

"What is it?"

"Your majesty, the orbital satellites have identified something big going towards us!"

Actarus is now fully awake.

"Where is it heading?"

"To the east, about one hundred kilometers from here. Scheduled to land in twenty minutes. "

"Open anti-aircraft batteries immediately! I will leave now with Grendizer! "

Duke closes the radio and gets up, quickly changing. Hikaru wake up and understand everything. She cover herself with the sheet and kneels on the bed.

"You have to go, right?" says her with a little fear. Then, she tries to smile: "Fix it quickly and come back soon!"

Duke smiles to her in turn, to calm her. Kissing her, whispering:

"Do not worry!"

Before leaving, stop hesitating, he turns to Hikaru and says to her:

"I love you."

"Me too."

A farewell and he disappeared. Hikaru remains stationary on the bed, without moving. She does not want to admit it, but she has a bad feeling. She fears to have seen Duke for the last time.

Duke runs, as he did once, towards the hangar of Grendizer. Her trained body responds as it was yesterday. He dives into the door and hand over a mobile seat that flows fast through the tunnel of metal. Here is the output, where Duke Fleed is suspended in midair in a huge hangar, where it is difficult to identify the walls. While the movable seat goes away, Duke Fleed shouts the word he hoped not to scream anymore:

**"GRENDIZER!"**His figure was enveloped in a flash, then the clothes they wore were replaced with a tight suit and a golden helmet. Rather than fall, he planes straight on the seat of the powerful robot. A button pressed, and immediately the windshield was set. The right hand of Duke Fleed grasps the departure handle: without hesitation, he pulls it toward him, crying:

"GRENDIZER, GO!"

The robot, with the Spacer, has a slight vibration, as if it was waking from a long sleep. The eyes of Grendizer, first off, light up full of life, as if they show a long-suppressed desire to fight. The Spacer, with Grendizer, slides down the ramp with an unusual speed, almost yearning to get out. The huge door opens, showing the water from the waterfall that flows right in front of the exit. Grendizer exits out in an instant, throwing splashes of water shining in the morning sun.

The anti-aircraft batteries fire continuously against the being that is coming up on Fleed, without result. These are swept away in a minute from a white light coming out from the eyes of the monster.

Kandura is coming.

His landing causes a shock to scare the unsuspecting inhabitants of Fleed that live ten kilometers away, already worried about the noise of the anti-aircraft batteries, which did not fire from the time of the terrible invasion of Vega.

Kandura is coming.

Every step of the monster shakes the earth, and the soldiers run away as far as possible. Along with a terrifying scream, Kandura’s white light covers the hills and woods in front of him, causing the drying up of water and the destruction of all the trees. In a short time, around him there is only the desert.

Suddenly, there is a shining point in the sky: Grendizer appears. Duke Fleed looks shocked the devastation that the monster caused. In a few moments, he turned the woods and hills in a wasteland.

*He must not absolutely get to the capital, at all costs!* thinks Duke Fleed.

It 's the first time, from long, he fights without his companions: Koji, Maria, Hikaru, Dr. Umon... for a moment, he acutely feels the lack of his friends. Only now he understands how precious was their help. But there is no time to think about this: only Grendizer is between Hikaru…and Rex, his son, and the monster. A monster big at least five times Grendizer.

"Anyway," says Duke Fleed harshly "I assure that you will not pass!"

And, almost without realizing it, he has already begun to attack with Grendizer:

"Space Thunder!"

The horns of Grendizer, still on the Spacer, crackling of energy, charging at the most powerful way: Duke Fleed wants to use immediately the most powerful weapon of the robot. A blinding flash comes from the horns and invades the whole monster, which launches a cry of surprise. But it remains unscathed.

"He has endured more than a billion of volts!" Duke Fleed hardly believes it. But he reacts immediately: Grendizer moves its arms, putting them in front of him:

"Hand Beam!"

Three high-power laser beams snap from each back hand of the robot, hitting Kandura on its face. At the same time, Duke cries:

"Screw Crusher Punch!"

Continuing to deliver the laser, the hands, along the forearm, are detached from the robot and the blades resting on them bend forward, turning at an incredible velocity. The impact of the laser and the rotating blades is terrible: Kandura, screaming, covers its face with its hands and sways for a moment.

But, although wounded, Kandura straightens instantly and raises a huge fist against the insect that bothers him. The speed of the beast is more than what one would expect, given its size. The Spacer avoids the blow by a whisker, while the drilling hammers come back on the robot. Duke Fleed drives the Spacer up in a pull-up fast. The monster was wounded, though slightly. But, looking carefully, Duke Fleed sends an exclamation of dismay.

The wounds that the beast has received are healing quickly. But it is not only this that scares Duke Fleed: on the land, suddenly, appeared two young boys.

*What on earth are they doing here? I gave the order to evacuate the area!* thinks Duke Fleed angrily.

The problem is that also Kandura had seen them. Without even thinking, Actarus pull the lever up, going down with the seat and reaching the controls of the giant robot, after making the turnaround for the release.

"Grendizer, out!"

Immediately, the robot-samurai comes out in mid-air, while Kandura goes to the two boys. But at the same time Grendizer launches the Space Thunder that blocks the monster for a moment. Grendizer lands on feet with a loud roar, continuing to launch the Space Thunder, acting as a shield to the two boys. Kandura shouting and, raising its hands, go forward against Grendizer.

"Double Harken!"

The blades come out from the shoulders of Grendizer, together with the rods, which connect to each other. Grendizer awaits the monster, while the boys are so terrified that cannot even move. The giant foot of Kandura strikes against the robot-samurai, with a terrible pressure of hundreds of tons. Taking before him the Double Harken with both hands, Grendizer resists: but the monster increases the pressure.

Although Grendizer is made of Gren and therefore can withstand the attack of Kandura, its internal circuits are not made of Gren, and mourn for the terrible strain to which they are subjected. Duke Fleed looks worried the indicators, all under the red: an internal explosion is possible. But he cannot move from there, or the boys will die. Sweating, Duke Fleed feels close to death.