I still can't shake the notion that I actually heard the human speak--

That'll be the day! Next you'll be saying you saw a human carrying a rifle--hunting us--!
ALL RIGHT—SO MY EARS WERE PLAYING TRICKS ON ME! YOU ACT AS THOUGH I COMMITTED A SIN!

AND YOU ACT AS THOUGH YOU DIDN'T KNOW VERY WELL THAT ATTRIBUTING INTELLIGENCE TO A HUMAN—

-- IS A SIN --

-- A VERY SERIOUS ONE!

MY THROAT— CAN'T TALK--

WHERE AM I—?

OH MY GOD-- I REMEMBER NOW--

-- THE HUNT—!

-- IN WHICH THE HUMANS OF THIS PLANET WERE THE PREY--
Uh-oh, Doctor, here comes that busybody Zira again! As usual—after every hunt!

Which one was wearing the strange clothes, Dr. Galen? The male on the table!

Will he live?

Why can't I ever find anything when I need it? There's no probe here—find one!

How should I know? The beast has lost a lot of blood!

Yes, sir!

This surgery room is dirty, doctor!

You don't sound happy in your work!

Why should I be—when I'm nothing more than a vet in this laboratory?

These animals are dirty, doctor! They stink—and they carry communicable diseases! Why aren't they cleaned up before they're brought here?
WHICH REMINDS ME—YOU PROMISED TO SPEAK TO DR. ZAIUS ABOUT GETTING ME A PROMOTION!

I DID! BUT YOU KNOW HOW HE LOOKS DOWN HIS NOSE AT CHIMPANZEES!

BUT THE QUOTA SYSTEM'S BEEN ABOLISHED! YOU MADE IT! WHY CAN'T I?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, MADE IT? I'M AN ANIMAL PSYCHOLOGIST AND NOTHING MORE! WE DON'T HAVE ANY REAL AUTHORITY!

YOU DO PRETTY WELL WHEN IT COMES TO GETTING SPACE AND EQUIPMENT!

THAT'S BECAUSE DR. ZAIUS REALISES OUR WORK HAS VALUE!

Hmph!

THE VERY FOUNDATIONS OF SCIENTIFIC BRAIN SURGERY ARE BEING LAID IN OUR WORK—IN STUDIES OF THE CEREBRAL FUNCTIONS OF THESE ANIMALS!

THEY'RE STILL DIRTY AND THEIR BITE IS SEPTIC!

JUST TAKE A LOOK AT MY HAND—!

LOUSY BEASTS!
GOOD MORNING, DR. ZIRA!

NO CHANGE! THE MINUTE YOU COME NEAR HIM HE GOES INTO HIS ACT! SEE FOR YOURSELF!

DON'T GO SO CLOSE TO HIM, DOCTOR... YOU COULD GET HURT--!

WELL, BRIGHT EYES, IS OUR THROAT FEELING BETTER TODAY?

YES, HE DOES SEEM TO HAVE SOMETHING IMPORTANT ON HIS MIND!

DON'T BE SILLY! HE'S PERFECTLY TAME!

THEY'RE ALL TAME UNTIL THEY TAKE A CHUNK OUT OF YOU!

GOOD MORNING, JULIUS! HOW'S OUR PATIENT TODAY?

SEE? HE KEEPS PRETENDING HE CAN TALK!

DON'T BE SILLY!
DID YOU SEE THAT? IT'S REMARKABLE!

Huh?

HE GOT ANGRY AT YOU—TRIED TO FORM WORDS!

WELL, YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY—HUMAN SEE, HUMAN DO!

NOW WHAT'S HE DOING?

HE SEEMS TO WANT SOMETHING!

I'D BE CAREFUL IF I WERE YOU, DOCTOR.

I'M NOT QUITE CONVINCED OF THAT, JULIUS—

GET BACK, YOU MANGY BEAST!

WHAT DID I TELL YOU, DOCTOR—YOU JUST CAN'T TRUST THEM!

TRY THAT AGAIN AND I'LL BREAK YOUR PAW!
IN FACT, I'M CONVINCED OF JUST THE--

G - GOOD MORNING, YOUR EXCELLENCY!

WHAT'S THAT--?

OH -- DR. ZAIUS! I'M SO GLAD YOU COULD COME!

BRIGHT EYES, SHOW HIM! GO AHEAD -- DO YOUR TRICK FOR DR. ZAIUS.

I'M WAITING, ZIRA.

SPEAK! SO ON -- SPEAK AGAIN--!

HE'S OVER HERE!

THERE! CAN YOU BELIEVE IT! DOESN'T IT LOOK AS THOUGH HE'S TALKING?!

YES -- AMUSING! A MAN WHO ACTS LIKE AN APE!
DR. ZAIGS--I COULD SWEAR HE'S TRYING TO ANSWER YOU--!

YES, HE DOES SHOW A CERTAIN GIFT FOR MIMICRY!

I WONDER HOW HE'D SCORE ON A HOPKINS MANUAL DEXTERITY TEST--?

ANIMAL?

ANIMAL?

HE'S MOVING HIS FINGERS!

OF COURSE! HE SAW ZIRA MOVING HER'S!

LOOK!

LOOK!

BUT PERHAPS HE UNDERSTOOD--

MAN HAS NO UNDERSTANDING, DR. ZIRA! HE CAN BE TAUGHT A FEW SIMPLE TRICKS NOTHING MORE!

I BEG TO DISAGREE! ACCORDING TO MY EXPERIMENTS--

A WORD TO THE WISE, DR. ZIRA--EXPERIMENTAL BRAIN SURGERY ON THESE CREATURES IS ONE THING--

I'M ALL FOR IT!

BUT YOUR BEHAVIOURAL STUDIES ARE ANOTHER MATTER ENTIRELY!
If you don't know what the game of "Charades" is, and you can't understand what we're on about, then ask your parents — because they will have played "Charades" and will tell you about it.

We've got a word in mind, but we're not telling you what it is just yet! It's a three-syllable word that you've all heard, and in this issue we're giving you two clues — one for what the word is and one for the first syllable in it.

Next we'll bring you two more clues. And all you have to do to qualify for the comp is to work out the clues and discover what the word is. The prizes will be awarded to the Marvelites who then best describe the word in the Merry Marvel Manner!

Oh — and yes. Since this is a comp for the whole of Marveldom, there'll also be clues in this week's issues of Avengers, Marvel, Dracula Lives, Planet of the Apes and Spiderman, and no two sets of clues will be the same.

We're not saying that the more clues you have the easier it's gonna be for you — the clues given in three week's issues of one mag are sufficient for you to come up with the right answer.

Here are this mag's clues for this week.

Clue 1. I'm close to stardom.

Clue 2. My first syllable starts with the sound of the scale.

Easy, huh? But don't do a thing until you've seen the next two issues! Full details for entering the competition will appear in issues dated November 16th, and all entries must be received by November 19th.

JUST LOOK AT THE FULL LIST OF PRIZES TO BE WON!

2 Colour Television sets.
2 second prizes of a Pound-a-Week Pocket Money for a Year.
10 LPs — "The Spine-Chilling Tale of Vampirism!" narrated by Christopher Lee, courtesy of E.M.I./Studio 2/Hammer City Records.
10 Mighty Marvel Calendars, each one personally signed by Stan (the Man) Lee.
10 "Fantastic Four" 100-page Colour Specials!