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11. The Last Sunset

Screenplay: CHRISTOPHER PENFOLD Director: CHARLES CRICHTON



Hopes of a new home arise once more as the runaway moon encounters the Earth-like planet Ariel. If the moon enters orbit, the gravity will be the same as the Earth-Moon relationship. During a probe of the planet, however, a small satellite attaches itself to Eagle 1's command module. Hundreds of other satellites follow it back to the Moon. Upon arrival, the satellites adjust the Moon's gravity to Earth-normal and fill the lunar sky with fresh air. The Alphans have been given their own atmosphere-rich world. For days they take in the sun, rain and open air, until it is learned that the Moon will not go into orbit, but continue on out past the sun. Without sunlight, the atmosphere will freeze and Moonbase will be crushed under megatons of ice! The benevolent inhabitants of Ariel, however, have realized this and sent their satellites back to return the Moon to its normal state. But Helena, Paul, Alan and an injured Sandra have crashed somewhere on the lunar surface and must be found before the atmosphere goes!



12. Voyager's ReturnScreenplay: JOHNNY BYRNE
Director: BOB KELLETT



Voyager One, a malfunctioning, fast-neutronpowered space probe from 1985, is headed toward Alpha. Somehow, the probe's engines must be switched over to chemical rockets before its neutron wake destroys Alpha. There is some hope because Voyager's creator, Dr. Ernst Queller is on Alpha as Ernst Linden. He is using an assumed identity because his Queller Drive killed many people back on Earth due to a malfunction. Despite his injury suffered in an attack from a technician who has learned his true identity and wants revenge for the death of his parents, Queller shuts down the Voyager and safely brings it down. However, the probe has been followed by three alien spacecraft from a planet all but destroyed by the Queller Drive. Now they wish to take their revenge on Alpha.

Dr. Ernst Linden: JEREMY KEMP Jim Haines: BARRY STOKES Aarchon: ALEX SCOTT Abrams: LAWRENCE TRIMBLE

