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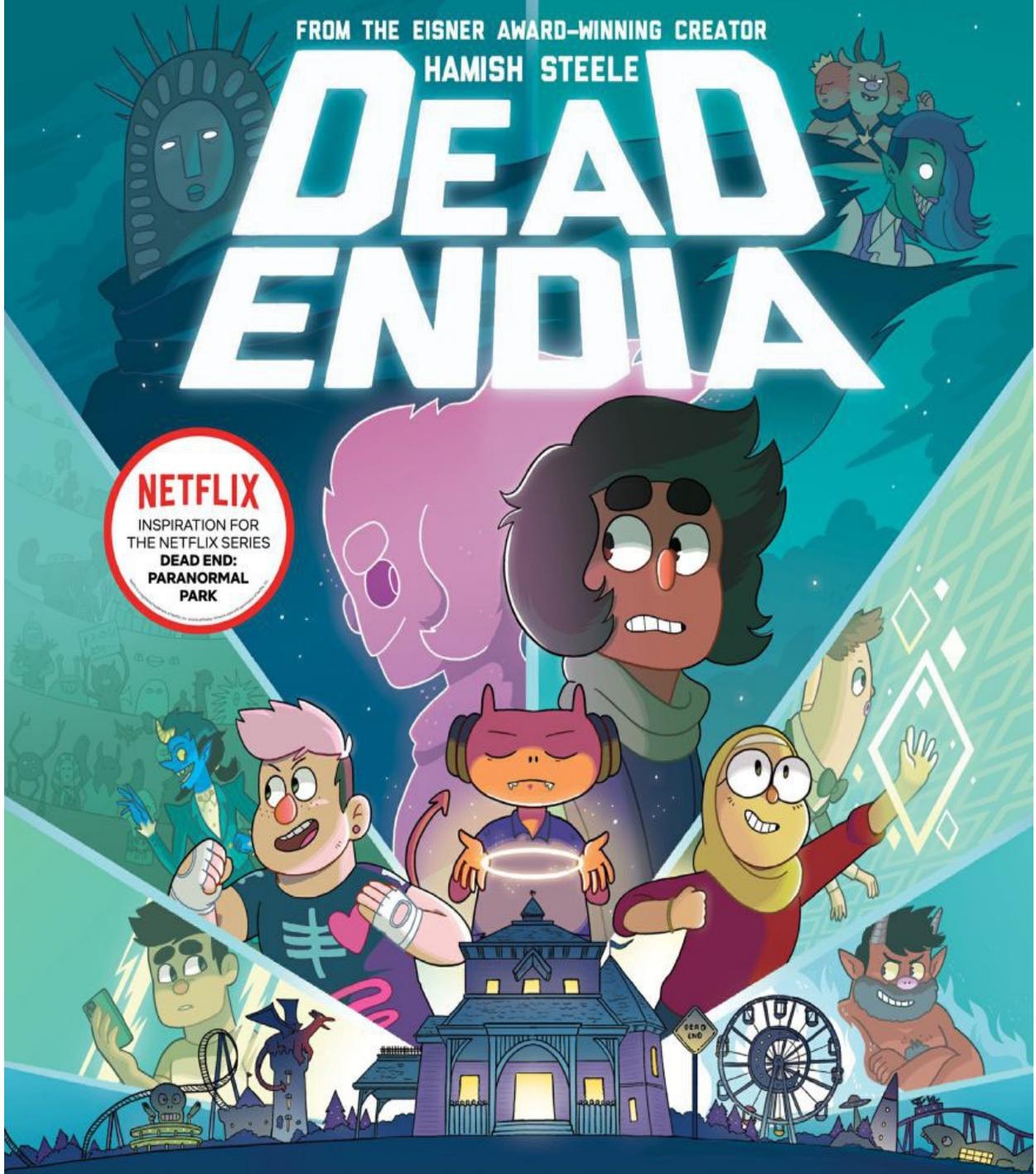


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PRAISE FOR THE DEADENDIA SERIES

Texas Library Association 2020 Texas Maverick Graphic Novel Reading List pick

"DeadEndia is immediately appealing with its colorful art, unique setting, and funny jokes, but I especially loved the complicated emotional arcs of the characters and the weird, spooky magic underlying everything!"

–Molly Knox Ostertag, creator of *The Witch Boy*

"Heartwarming, heartbreaking, heart-pounding, and heartfelt!"

–Marika McCoola, New York Times bestselling author of *Baba Yaga's Assistant*

"Steele's playful, cartoonish style and beautiful colors create a vivid, engrossing world that will get you instantly hooked. The character designs are particularly refreshing . . . Barney in particular is a delight; it's great to see a trans masc character not on the hypermasculine end of the gender spectrum and not drawn as perfectly passing at all times."

–Paste Magazine

"Eventually the slice-of-life adventures morph into a crazy time-travel plot that ends on a cliff-hanger."

–School Library Journal

"Lauded for its art, touching tales of adolescence, and inclusion of LGBTQ story lines."

–Entertainment Weekly

"With a madcap pace, off-kilter jokes, and an LGBTQ cast, this is perfect for teens who love macabre humor and heartfelt friendship."

–Booklist, STARRED REVIEW

"The art is imaginative and engaging, with rich, evocative color schemes . . . A wild ride."

–Kirkus Reviews

"This quirky, heartwarming adventure by Steele (Pantheon) captures the awkwardness of early adulthood and the idiosyncrasies of power-hungry demons . . . A Steven Universe-like aesthetic and a full palette of bold, contrasting colors grace a diverse cast of characters."

–Publishers Weekly

"Complicated emotions, strong friendship, demons, and plenty of LGBTQIA+ representation. All that and bright, bold illustrations AND great writing? Total win. Sweet, funny, and enjoyably, delightfully weird."

–School Library Journal's Teen Librarian Toolbox

"DeadEndia is an engaging, entertaining saga with memorable characters, and it works wonderfully as comedy, drama, and romance."

–Foreword Reviews

"Dead End—a colorful trip into the pains and joys of teenhood as its main trio battles demons, ghosts, and their insecurities—isn't typical for animation . . . This particular genre-smashing—and history-making—adaptation comes from the mind of Hamish Steele and their webcomic-turned-print graphic novel, DeadEndia."

–The Hollywood Reporter on Dead End: Paranormal Park

"DeadEndia is utterly delightful and truly unique. With his characteristic sarcasm and humor, subtle homages to pop culture, and sincere exploration of human connection, Steele takes you on a whirlwind rollercoaster of time travel, demons, angels, mysterious portals, magical talking dogs, and LGBTQIA love!"

–Clarissa Murphy, Bookseller, Wellesley Books, Wellesley, MA

"Joyful and weird, Hamish Steele's DeadEndia is a delight. The boundaries of Steele's colorfully crafted universe are as unlimited as his imagination."

–Niki Marion, Bookseller, Third Place Books, Seattle, WA

"This could easily become the next generation's Scooby-Doo. Steele's cast of characters are fresh, witty, and carry a sense of humor that will resonate with today's readers. Even the villains are lovable!"

–Garrett Pinder, Librarian, Kent Memorial Library, Suffield, CT

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PREVIOUSLY IN
DEADENDIA

PHOENIX PARKS IS A THEME PARK FOUNDED BY THE FABULOUS (AND DEAD!) PAULINE PHOENIX, WITH THE HAUNTED HOUSE DEAD END AS ITS BIGGEST DRAW!

BUT THIS HOUSE IS MORE THAN JUST AN ATTRACTION, IT'S ALSO AN EMBASSY. IT CONTAINS AN ELEVATOR TO THE MULTI-PLANE: 13 DEMONIC WORLDS RULED BY THE ANGELIC AUTHORITY. DEMON AMBASSADOR COURTNEY AND PORTAL PORTER FINGERS RUN THE SHOW.

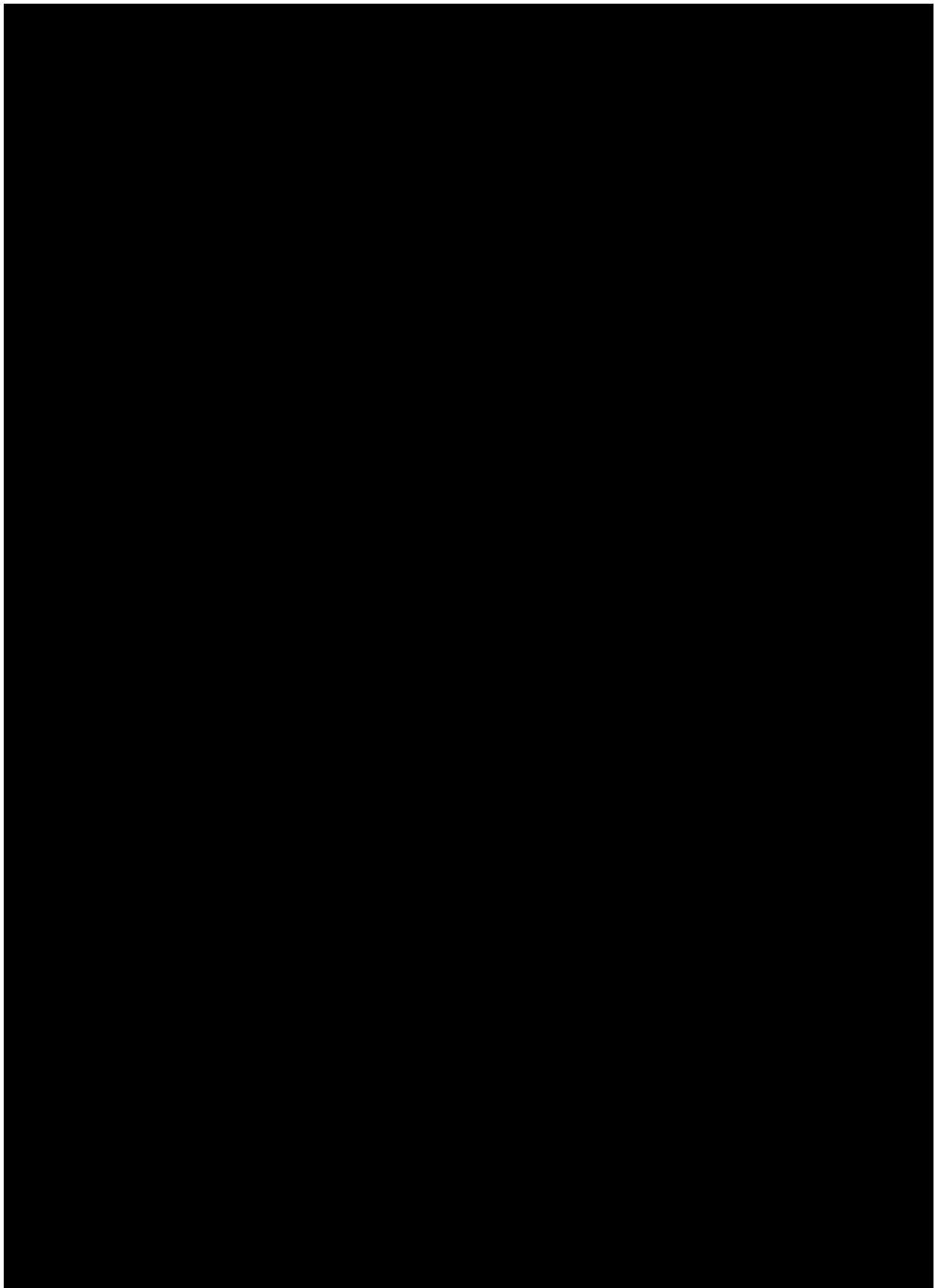
WHEN BARNEY WAS HIRED BY HIS BEST FRIEND NORMA TO WORK AS A JANITOR AT DEAD END, SHE FAILED TO FILL HIM IN ON THE DEMONIC DETAILS.

ON HIS FIRST DAY OF WORK, HIS BELOVED DOG, PUGSLEY, WAS POSSESSED BY A DEMON KING AND GAINED MAGICAL POWERS AND THE ABILITY TO TALK.

HOWEVER, PUGSLEY GREW SO POWERFUL THAT A FUTURE VERSION OF HIMSELF, NOW THE LAST LIVING BEING ON EARTH, CAME BACK IN TIME TO FIGHT BARNEY AND NORMA. NORMA SUFFERED A FATAL BLOW WHEN THE DEAD END HOUSE CAME TUMBLING DOWN, AND ALTHOUGH SHE'S BEEN RESURRECTED, SHE ISN'T QUITE FEELING LIKE HERSELF THESE DAYS...

TO SAVE HIS FRIENDS, THE GOOD BOY VERSION OF PUGSLEY SACRIFICED HIMSELF IN ORDER TO DESTROY HIS EVIL FUTURE SELF.

SEVERAL MONTHS HAVE PASSED, AND BARNEY HASN'T GONE BACK TO WORK AT THE NEWLY REBUILT DEAD END, UNAWARE THAT A GREAT WAR BETWEEN DEMONS AND ANGELS IS ABOUT TO BEGIN...





FIRST DAY
OF WORK. YOU
CAN DO THIS,
NORMA



JUST
REMEMBER
THE THREE
RULES OF
CUSTOMER
SERVICE.



BE
PROFESSIONAL!

BE
PATIENT!



AND ABOVE
ALL ELSE...



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SO!
WHAT'S
NEXT?

DEAD
END

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DUDE,
IT'S HOME
TIME. THAT
WAS THE
LAST GHOST
TOUR OF
THE DAY.



WHOA!

TIME FLIES
WHEN YOU'RE
TERRIFYING
CHILDREN!



ENJOY IT WHILE
IT LASTS, NEWBIE.
YOU'LL BE GONE IN
A MONTH, TOPS.

IT HAS
A WAY OF
GETTING TO
PEOPLE.



OH, DON'T
WORRY! I LIKE
REPETITION!

NOT THE
JOB. THE
HOUSE.



G'NIGHT.

SLAM!







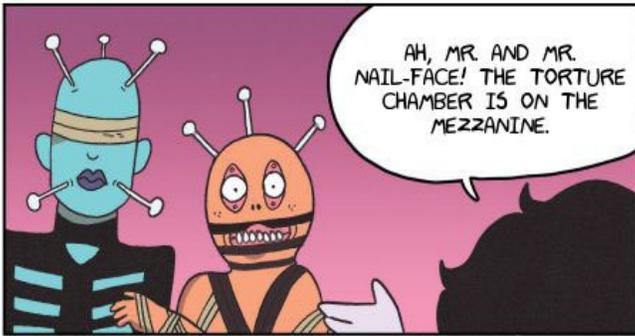
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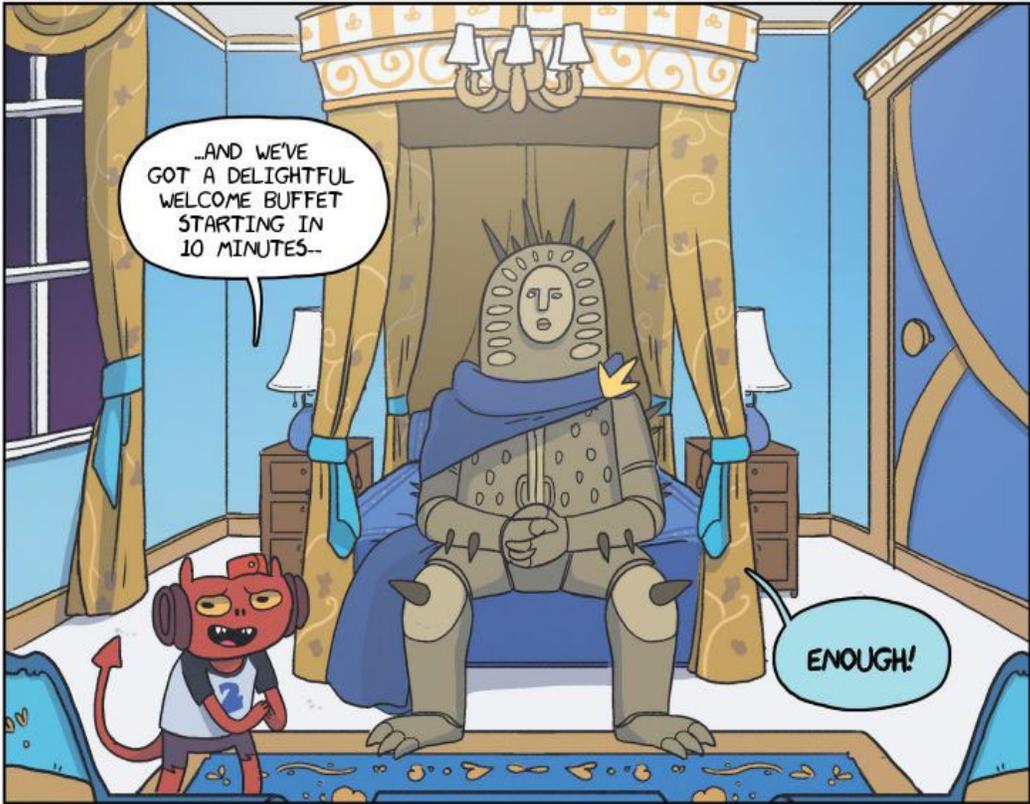




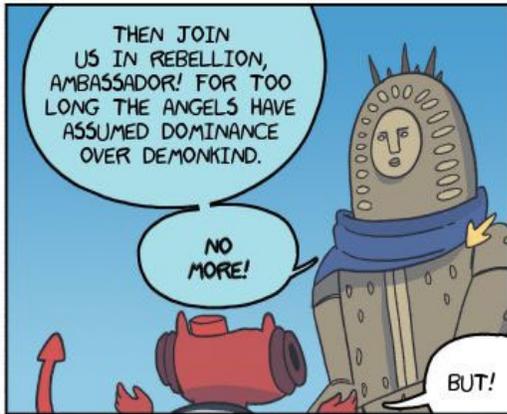


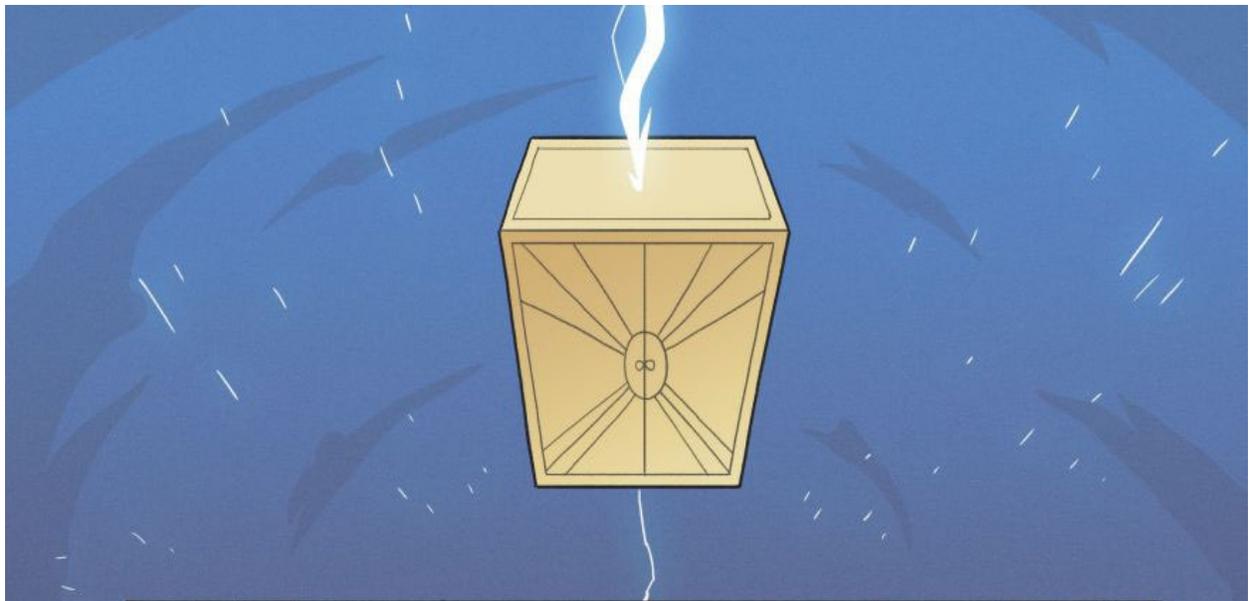






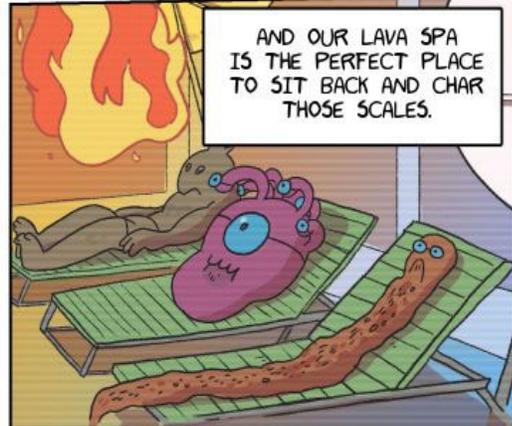






IS YOUR
NINE-TO-FIVE IN
THE UNDERWORLD
A REAL PAIN IN
THE TAIL?

DEAD
END







PAIMON!
WHAT SEEMS
TO BE THE
PROBLEM?



WHY HAVE YOU DEEMED IT
ACCEPTABLE FOR AN ANGEL TO
DINE WITH US, IN THE VERY
HOUSE THEY MURDERED
TEMELUCHUS?

THEY DIDN'T
DO ANYTHING
TO TEMELUCHUS!



MAYBE NOT
THIS ONE. BUT
EVERY ANGEL IS
CULPABLE.



RIGHT!
I'M GOING TO
HAVE TO ASK YOU TO
LEAVE, YOUR MAJESTY.

I DON'T CARE HOW
IMPORTANT YOU ARE DOWN
THERE, BUT ON EARTH WE TREAT
EVERYONE WITH RESPECT!



MOSTLY.



BUT,
WE TRY
TO!



SOME
OF US...

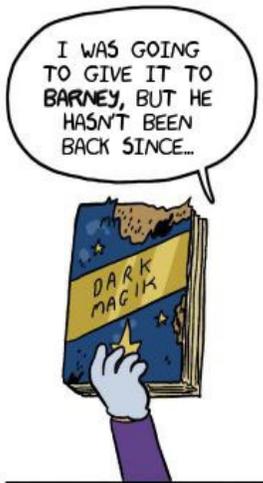










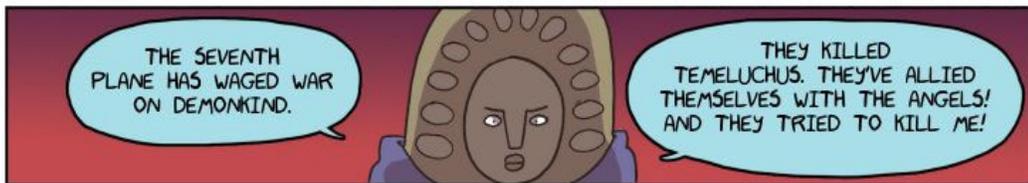




PAIMON HAS RETURNED!



WHAT NEWS DO YOU BRING OF OUR BROTHER'S DISAPPEARANCE?



THE SEVENTH PLANE HAS WAGED WAR ON DEMONKIND.

THEY KILLED TEMELUCHUS. THEY'VE ALLIED THEMSELVES WITH THE ANGELS! AND THEY TRIED TO KILL ME!





FOR TARTARUS!

FOR TARTARUS!

FOR TARTARUS!





I DON'T KNOW, NORMAKHAN!



LAST THING I REMEMBER WAS RUNNING. THEN THE SOUND OF A HUGE CRACK! AND THEN BAM! I'M CRAWLING 'ROUND THIS DUMP EATING TRASH.



I CAN GET YOU SOME REAL FOOD IF YOU WANT?



NO! TRASH IS GREAT! I LOVE IT HERE!



BUT YOU CAN'T STAY! SOMEONE WILL SEE YOU!
SOMEONE DID SEE ME, NORMAKHAN.



IT'S JUST NORMA. WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO CALL YOU?



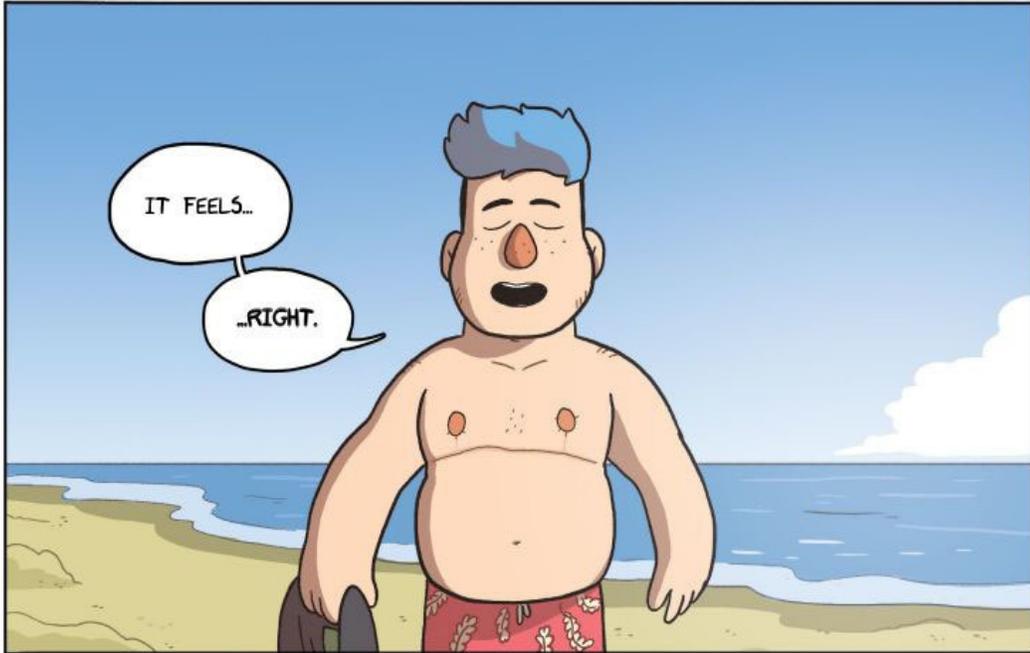
I DID HAVE A NAME. CAROL? CAIN? CATTLE?
COURTNEY?



SURE, WHATEVER. NOW, YOU GOT ANY MORE OF THAT TRASH?

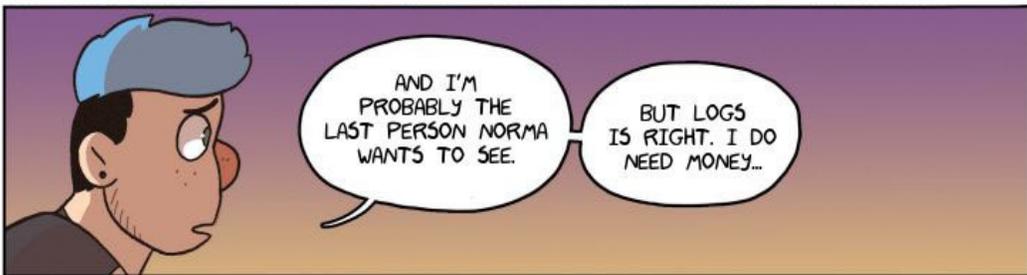
CHAPTER TWO

















WORD HAS GOT AROUND THE DEMON PLANES.



THERE'S A LINE OF DEMONS JUST WAITING TO FIGHT YOU.



YOU'RE A WARRIOR, BARNEY. A CHAMPION!



YOU SAY YOU'RE DONE WITH DEMONS, BUT WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO KICK SOME IN THE TAIL?

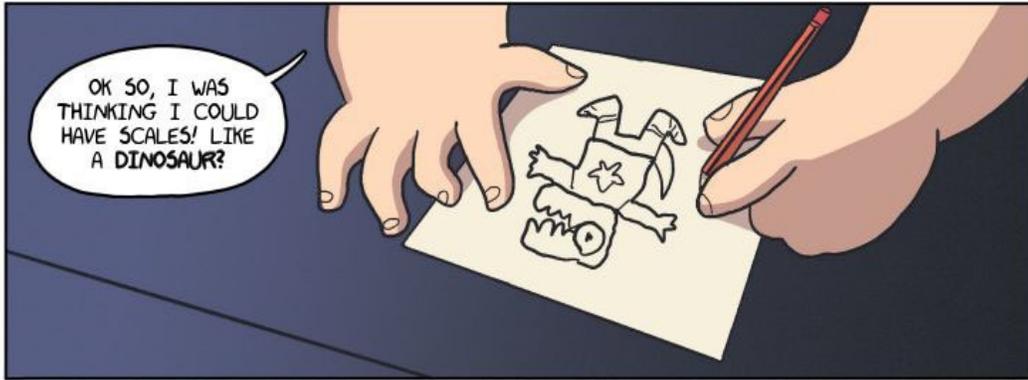


NO. TAKE ME BACK, RIGHT NOW!



DID I MENTION THE MONEY?







HELLOOO
PLANE 10!

HAVE I GOT
A TREAT FOR
YOU TONIGHT!



A NEW CHALLENGER!
BLOOD! SWEAT! ORGANS!
HE'S GOT 'EM ALL! FOR
HE IS THE FIRST-EVER
WRESTLER FROM THE
SEVENTH PLANE!



THAT'S RIGHT!
HOME OF VAMPIRE
SLAYERS! WITCH FINDERS!
AND EXORCISTS! HE'S NOT
JUST ANY HUMAN...
HE'S...

















BARNEY! YOU'RE ALIVE!



SAME AS EVER?



I'VE BEEN FREAKING OUT! YOU WALKED OUTSIDE AND DISAPPEARED!



OH, YEAH. SORRY. DISTRACTED.

NO, I'M SORRY. YOU TAKE YOUR TIME LOOKING FOR A JOB. I NEVER WANTED TO--



THAT'S WHERE I WENT! DEAD END! I'M BACK WORKING THERE! LATE SHIFTS AGAIN...



REALLY? SO FAST!

I'M PROUD OF YOU, BARNEY! I'M SORRY FOR BEING SUCH A NAG EARLIER...LET'S CELEBRATE!







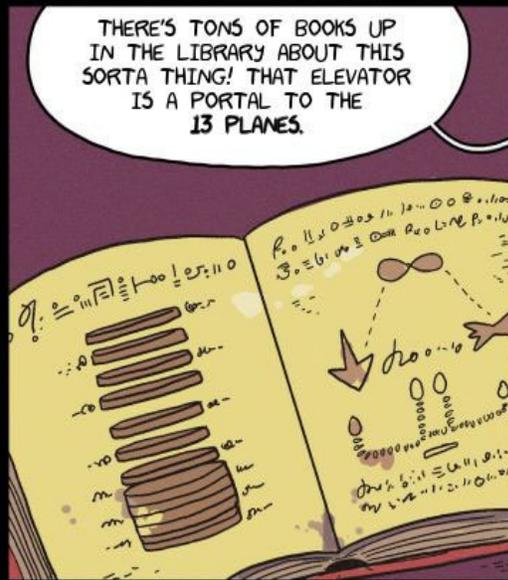
WE SHOULD PROBABLY GET THIS THING SEALED UP.

YEAH, WE COULD, OR...



I THINK I'M GOING TO APPLY TO BE AN AMBASSADOR.

A WHAT?



THERE'S TONS OF BOOKS UP IN THE LIBRARY ABOUT THIS SORTA THING! THAT ELEVATOR IS A PORTAL TO THE 13 PLANES.



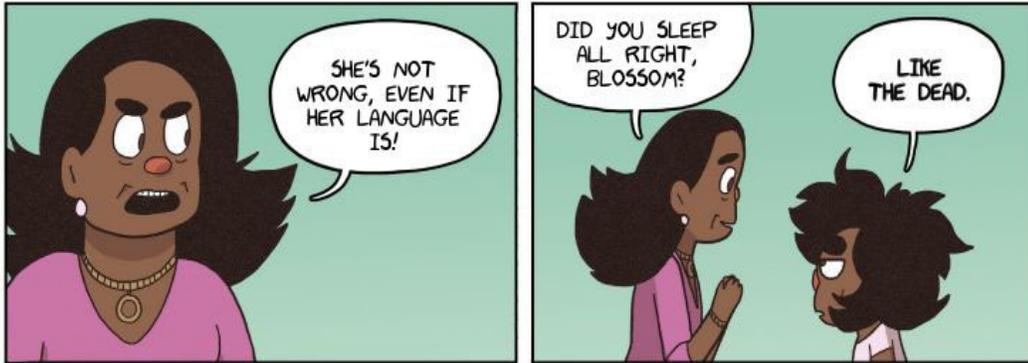
WE HAVE NO CONTROL OVER WHAT COMES UP TO OUR PLANE, BUT APPARENTLY IF I BECOME AN AMBASSADOR, WE GET ALL THE POWER!

ARE YOU READY FOR THAT? I MEAN, YOU CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER WHICH PLANE YOU COME FROM.



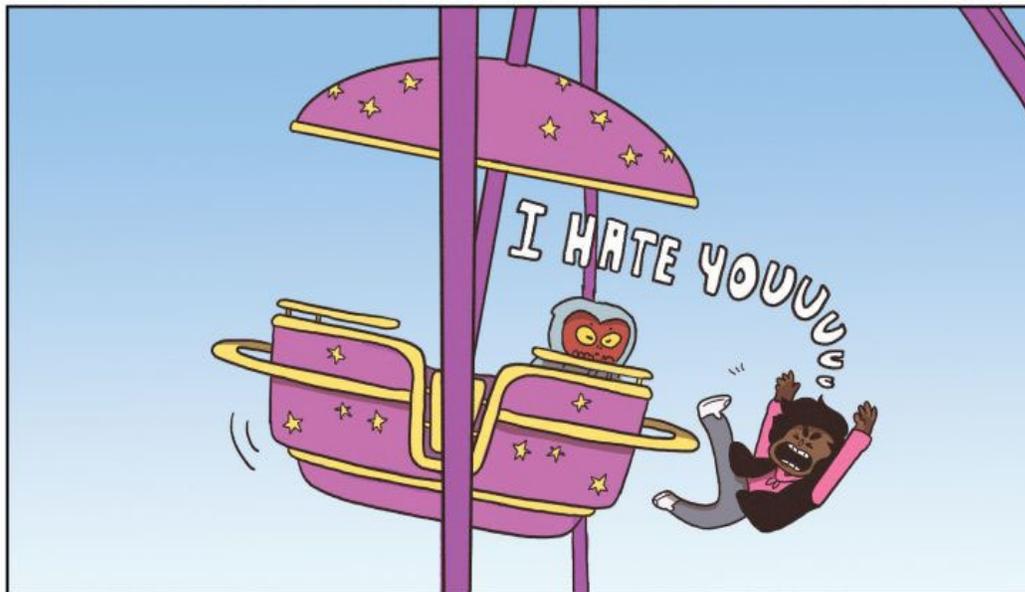
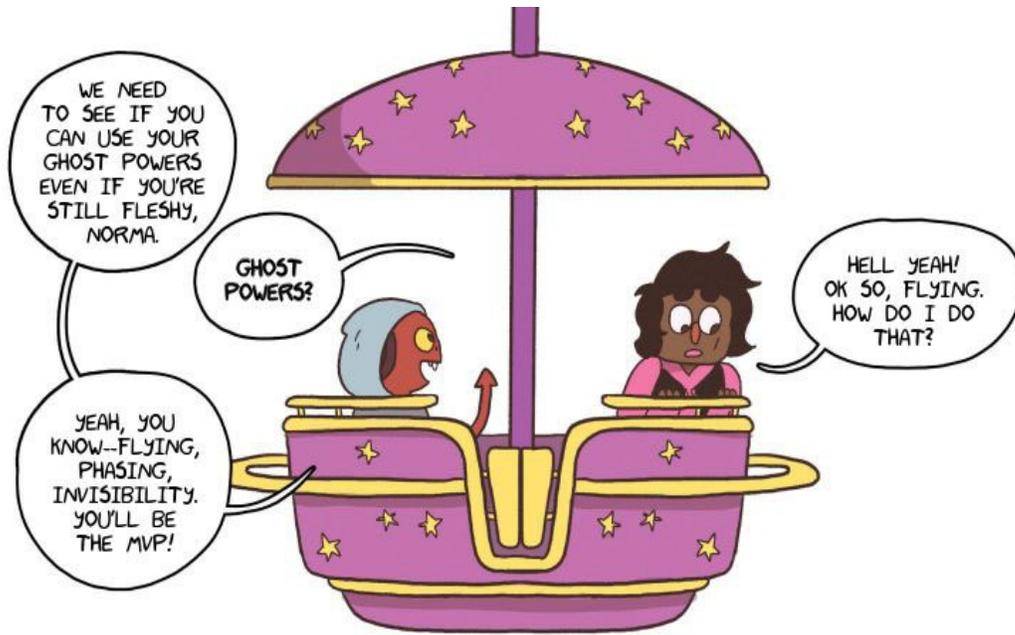
I KNOW. MAYBE THIS WAY I CAN FIND OUT WHO I AM...







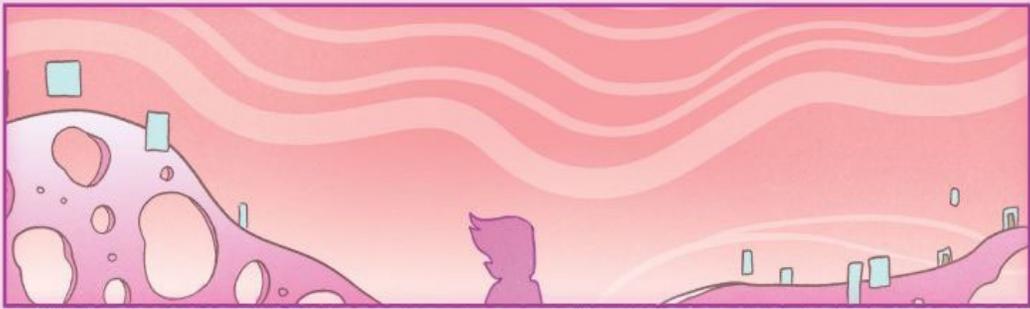


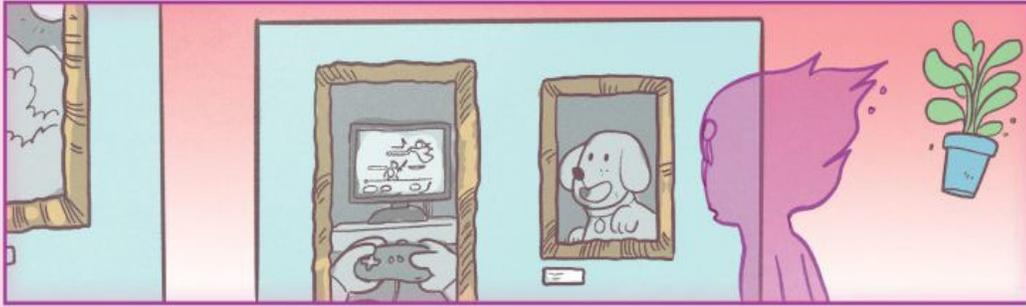




























AFTER HER,
NORMA! YOU'VE STILL
GOT ALL YOUR GHOST
POWERS, EVEN IF YOU'RE
IN ANOTHER BODY.



OK, ONE SEC!



C'MON. YOU'RE NOT
JUST NORMA RIGHT NOW.
YOU'RE BADYAH TOO. WORK
TOGETHER, OR YOU'LL NEVER
BE YOURSELF AGAIN!



COME
ON, EVERYONE!
LET'S DO THIS!





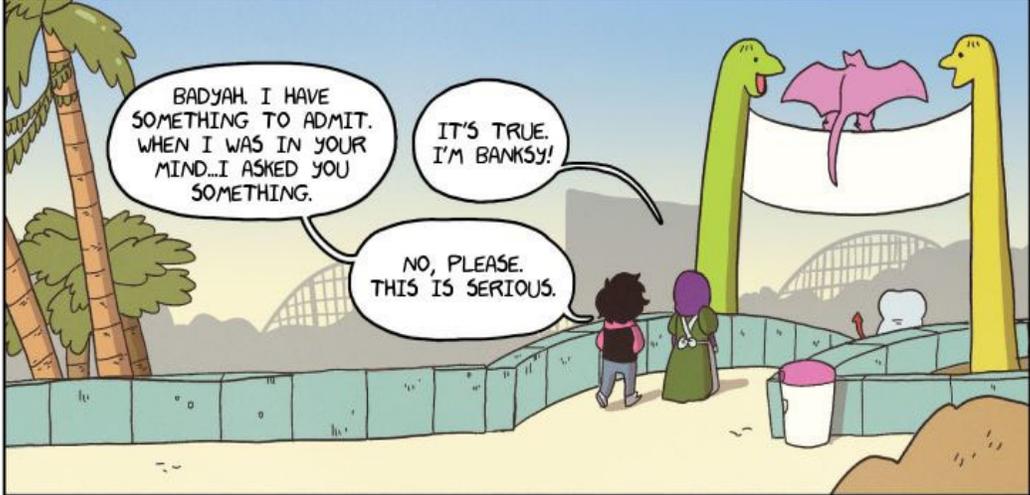
SINCE THEN, THOUGH!

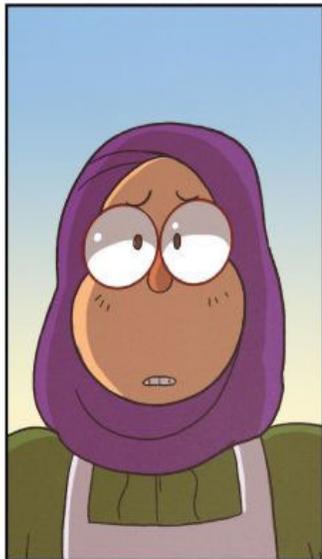
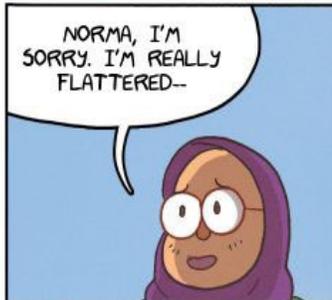












SURELY YOU REMEMBER THIS?

NEXT.

AND I THOUGHT THE LINES WERE BAD AT PHOENIX PARKS...



MAYBE BECOMING AN AMBASSADOR WAS A STUPID IDEA...

EXCUSE ME?

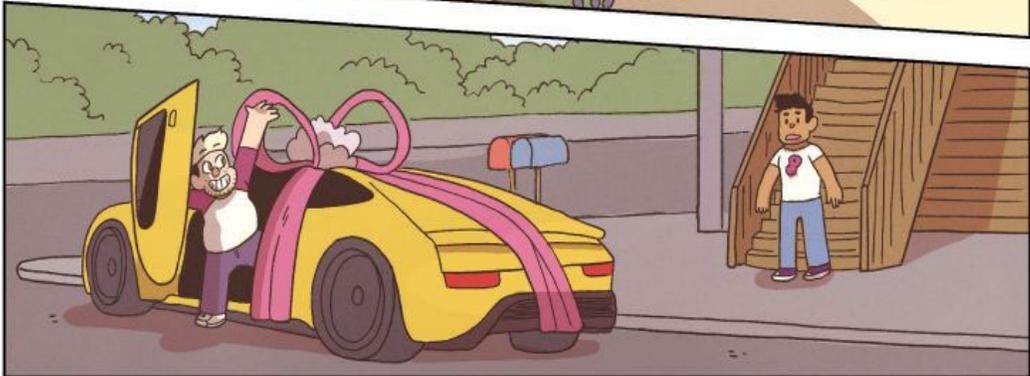
SORRY TO BOTHER, BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN A DEMON LOOKIN' LIKE ME!

SMALLER HORNS, MIND.

ME NEITHER! THAT'S THE WHOLE REASON I'M GETTING A JOB HERE!

TO FIND WHERE I BELONG!

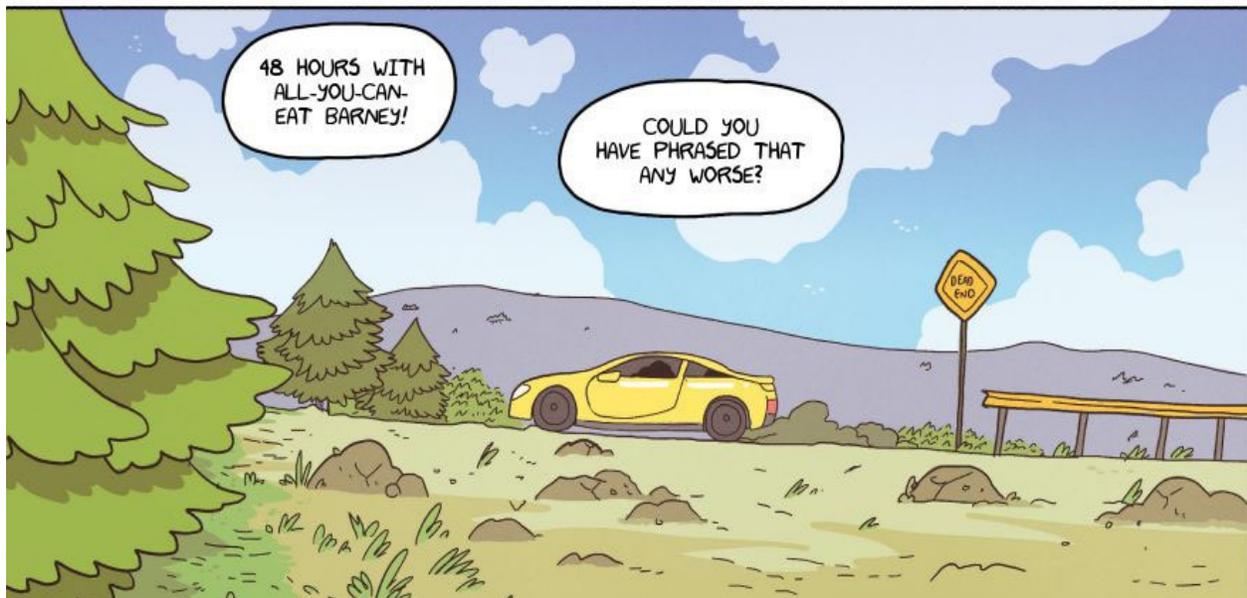


















SEE? YOU'RE HAVING A GOOD TIME!

HOW ABOUT YOU? REGRETTING LETTING ME LOOSE NEAR A MOUNTAIN?



I HAD IMAGINED US DOING A BIT MORE RELAXING...

HA!



MY MOM WAS DETERMINED THAT MY SISTER AND I BE ALL-AMERICAN KIDS SO WE'D MAKE FRIENDS. BASEBALL, APPLE PIE, SO MUCH MOTOWN!

AND HIKING! SHE'S CHILLED OUT NOW, BUT I ACTUALLY MISS OUR CAMPING TRIPS.

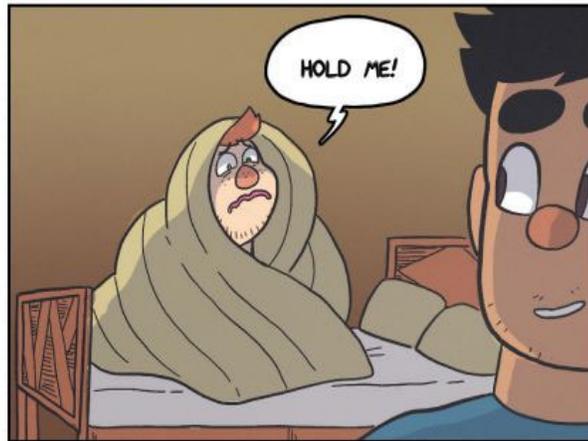


UH-HUH...



CRASH!

















I KNEW IT.



BARNEY!



SHHH! LOGS STILL DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT DEMON STUFF, AND I WANT TO KEEP IT THAT WAY.

ARE YOU ASHAMED OF BEING FRIENDS WITH A DEMON?



IT'S NOT THAT! DEMONS ARE JUST DANGEROUS. I DON'T WANT LOGS GETTING HURT.



HUMANS ARE DANGEROUS TOO! I WAS JUST MINDING MY OWN BUSINESS EARLIER WHEN THIS WEIRD FOUR-LEGGED ONE WITH HORNS BASHED INTO ME!



YOU MEAN THE DEER? WELL, YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO KILL IT.

I DIDN'T. I RAN AWAY! I WAS REALLY INSULTED.



IF YOU DIDN'T KILL IT, THEN...

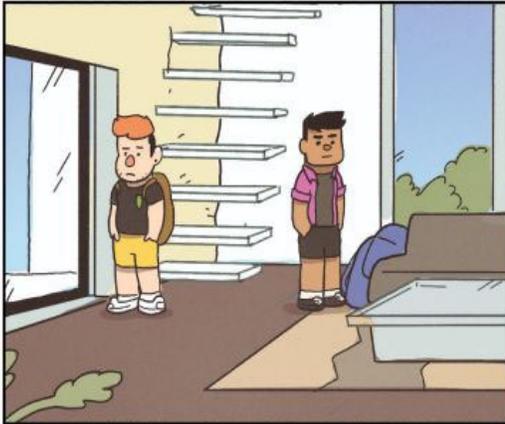
...WHAT DID--

CRUNCH!















AN INVITATION?



I'M NOW AN AMBASSADOR OF EARTH! AND I WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO HOST THE FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT OF A DEMON KING TO THE NEUTRAL PLANE!



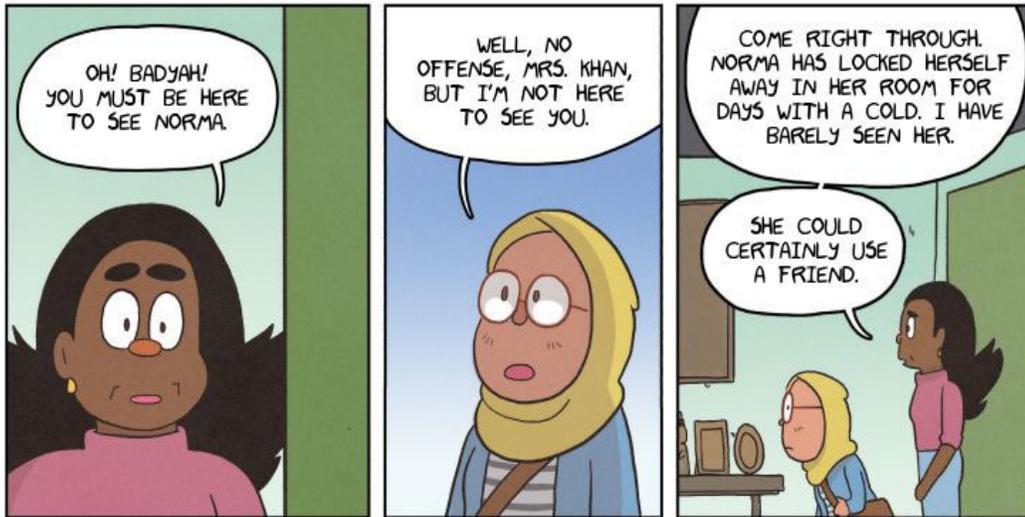
BROTHER, YOU CANT WANT TO VISIT THAT AWFUL PLACE? THE SO-CALLED NEUTRAL PLANE IS FILLED WITH ANGEL SPIES! YOU MAY BE WALKING INTO A TRAP--



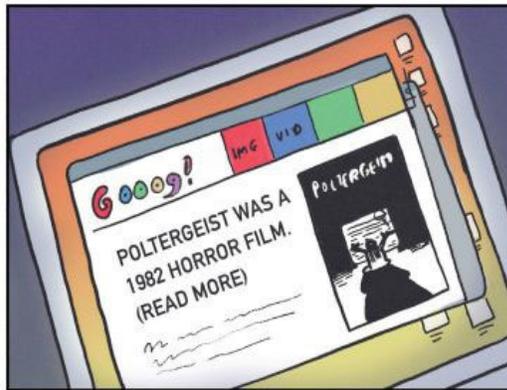
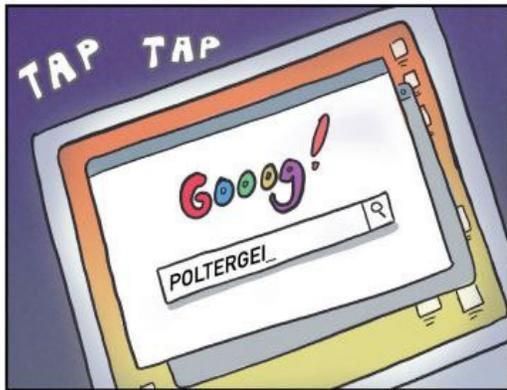
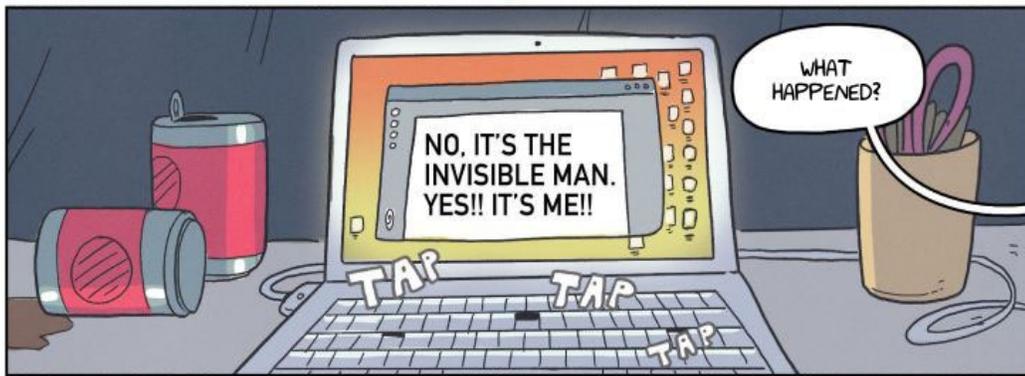


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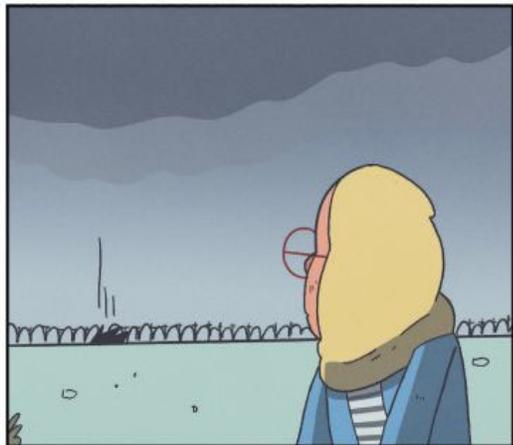














WHAT ARE YOU DOING HIDING IN A BUSH? SOMETHING FUN, I HOPE.



AH, NOTHING! JUST...WAITING FOR BARNEY TO FINISH WORK, HA HA!



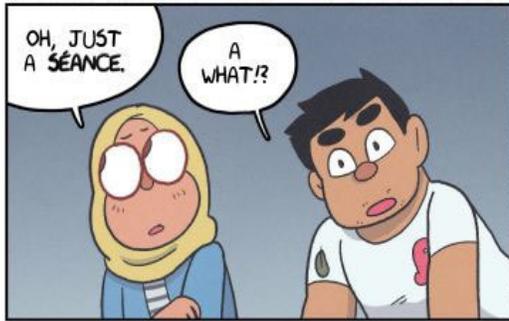
BARNEY HASN'T WORKED HERE FOR LITERALLY MONTHS.

I KNEW IT!



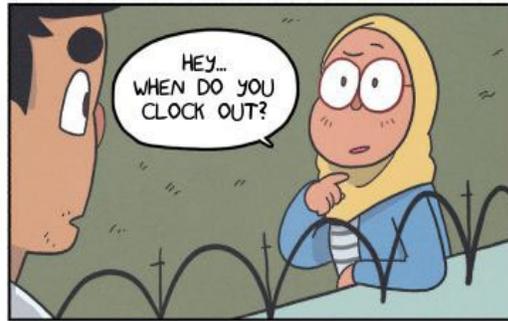
I'M LOOKING FOR HIM TOO.

THAT MAN HAS A LOT OF EXPLAINING TO DO. WHAT DO YOU NEED HIM FOR ANYWAY?



OH, JUST A SÉANCE.

A WHAT?!

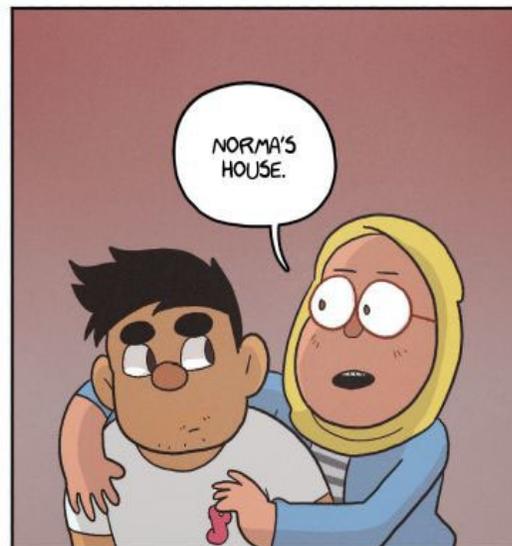
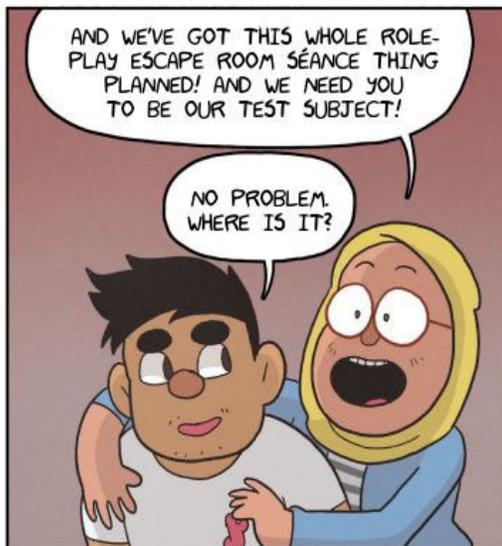
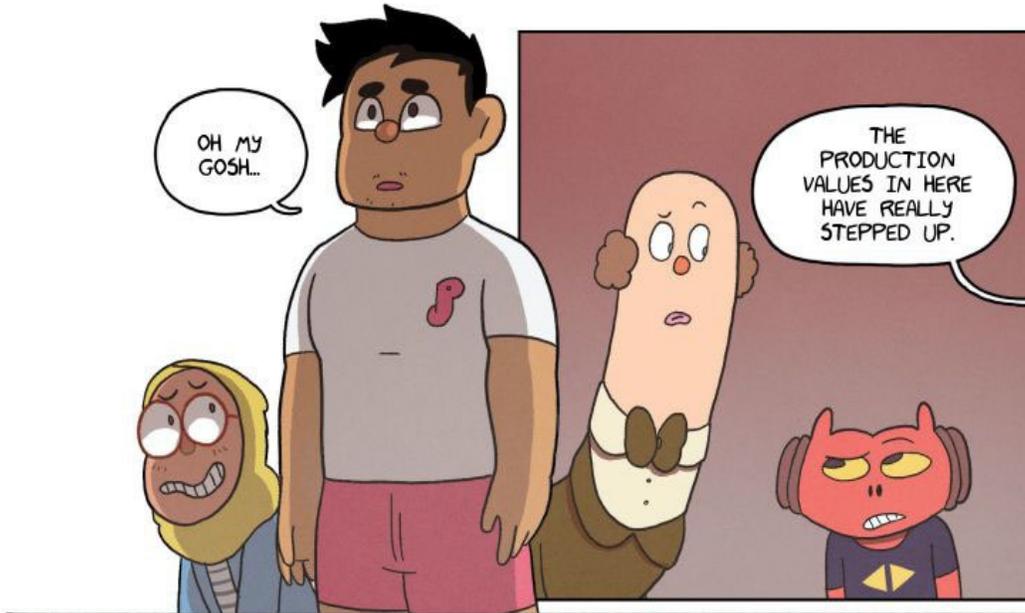


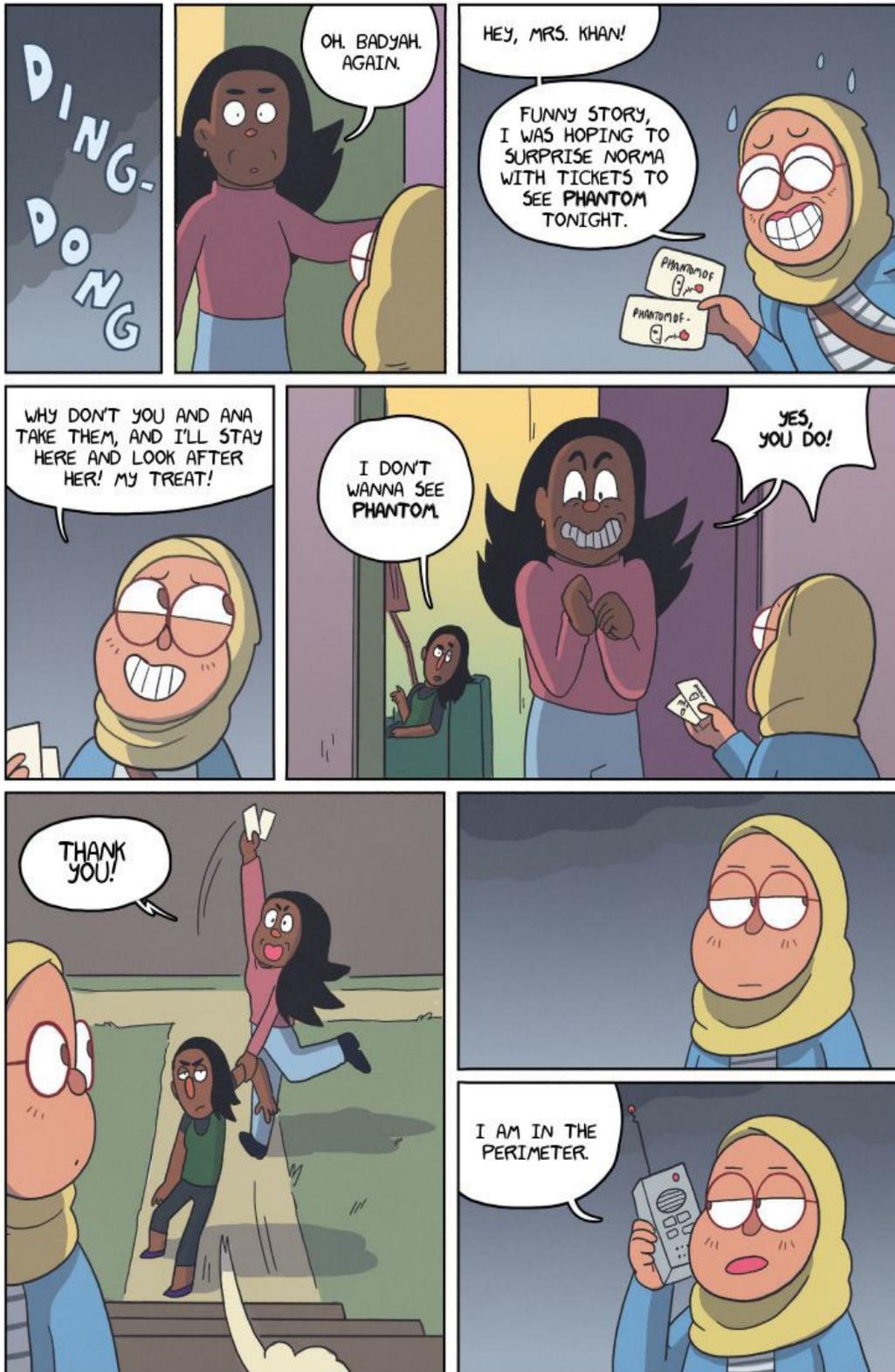
HEY... WHEN DO YOU CLOCK OUT?



DID YOU FIND BARNEY?

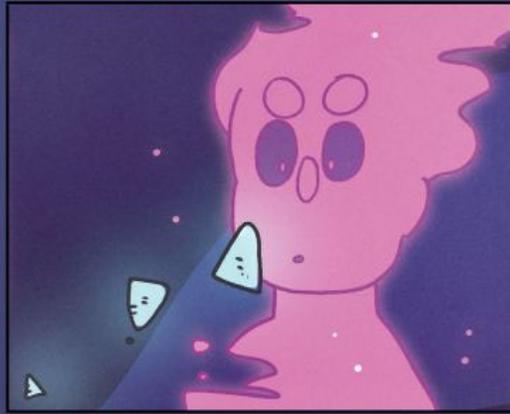
WELL, NO...BUT I GOT US THE NEXT BEST THING!

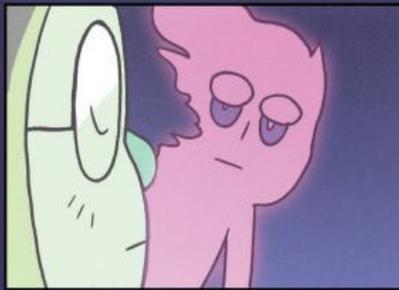
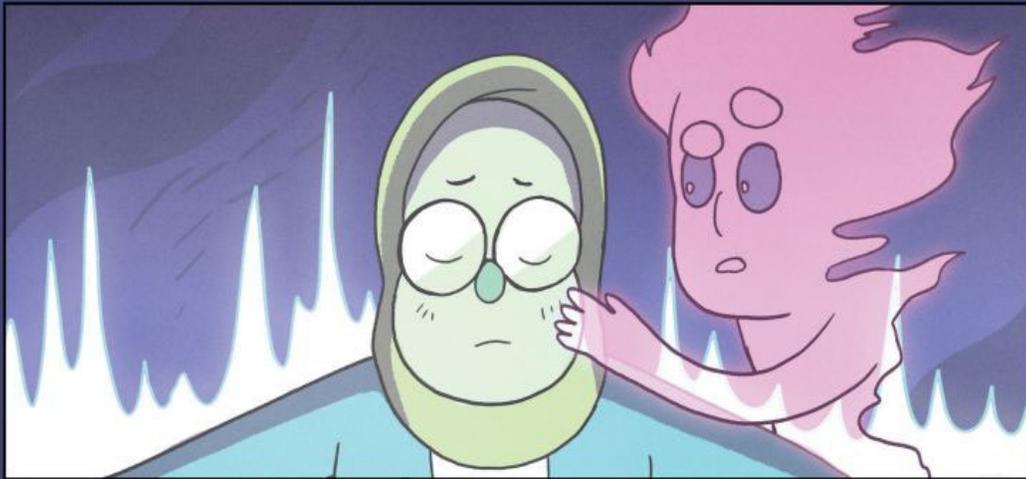




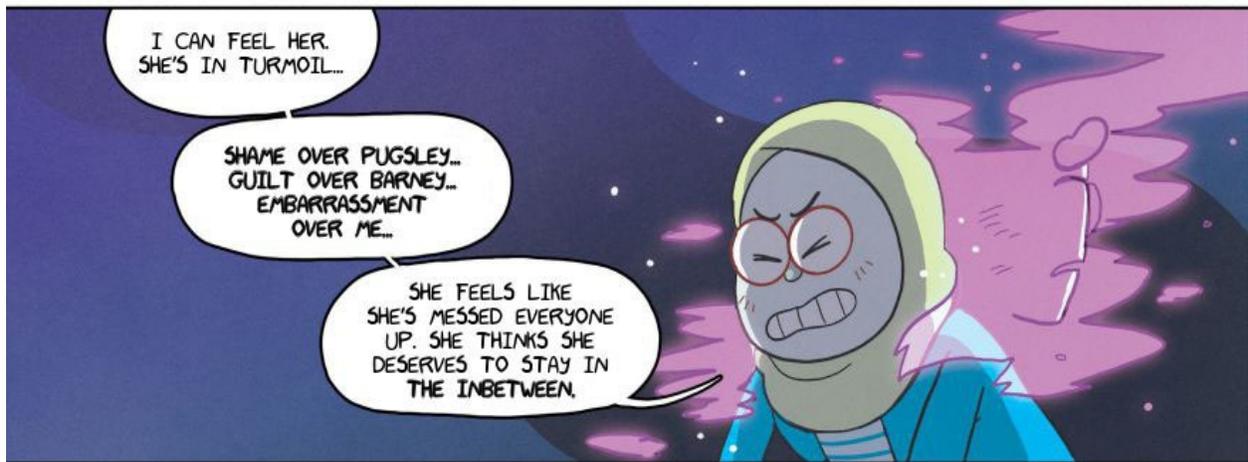








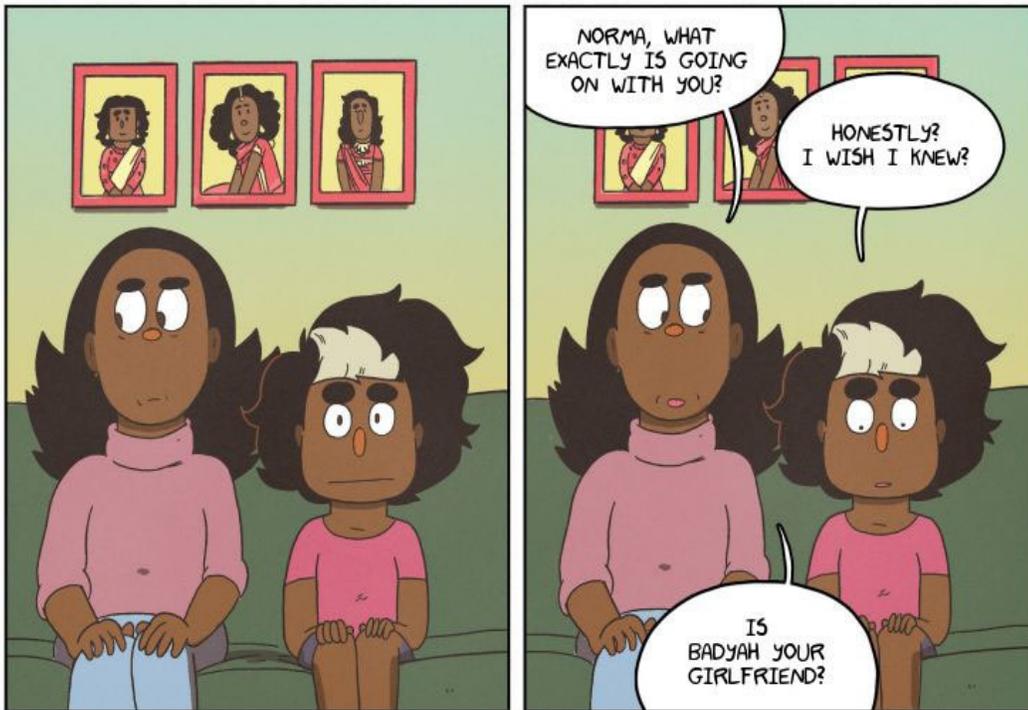
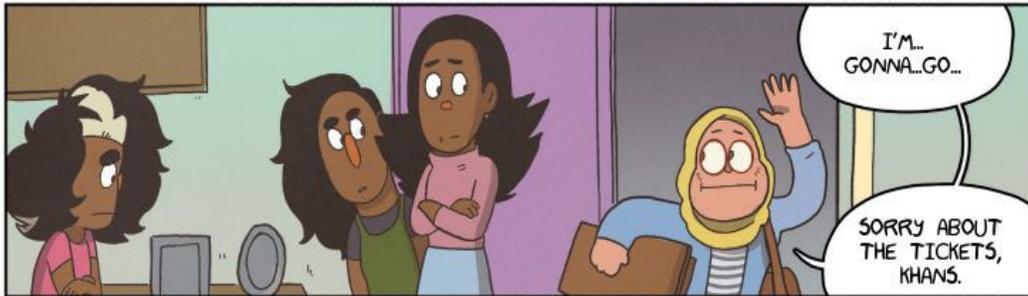


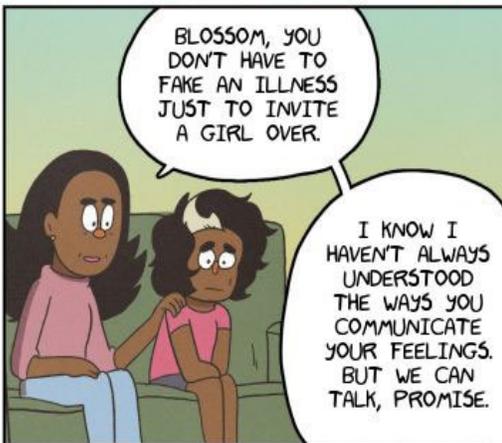


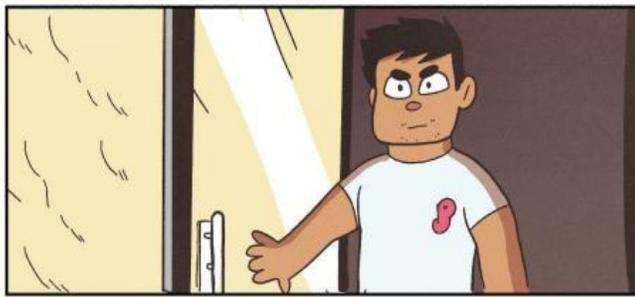














LET'S SKIP AHEAD, SHALL WE?

WHY DID YOUR FRIENDS BREAK APART?



THEY APPROVED MY IDEA TO MAKE THE NEW DEAD END A HOTEL. AND BY "APPROVED," I MEAN I BLACKMAILED PAULINE.

CONSTRUCTION STARTS TOMORROW. WE'LL BE BACK UP AND RUNNING IN NO TIME!

THE OLD GANG BACK TOGETHER!

COMING SOON
THE ALL-NEW
DEAD END





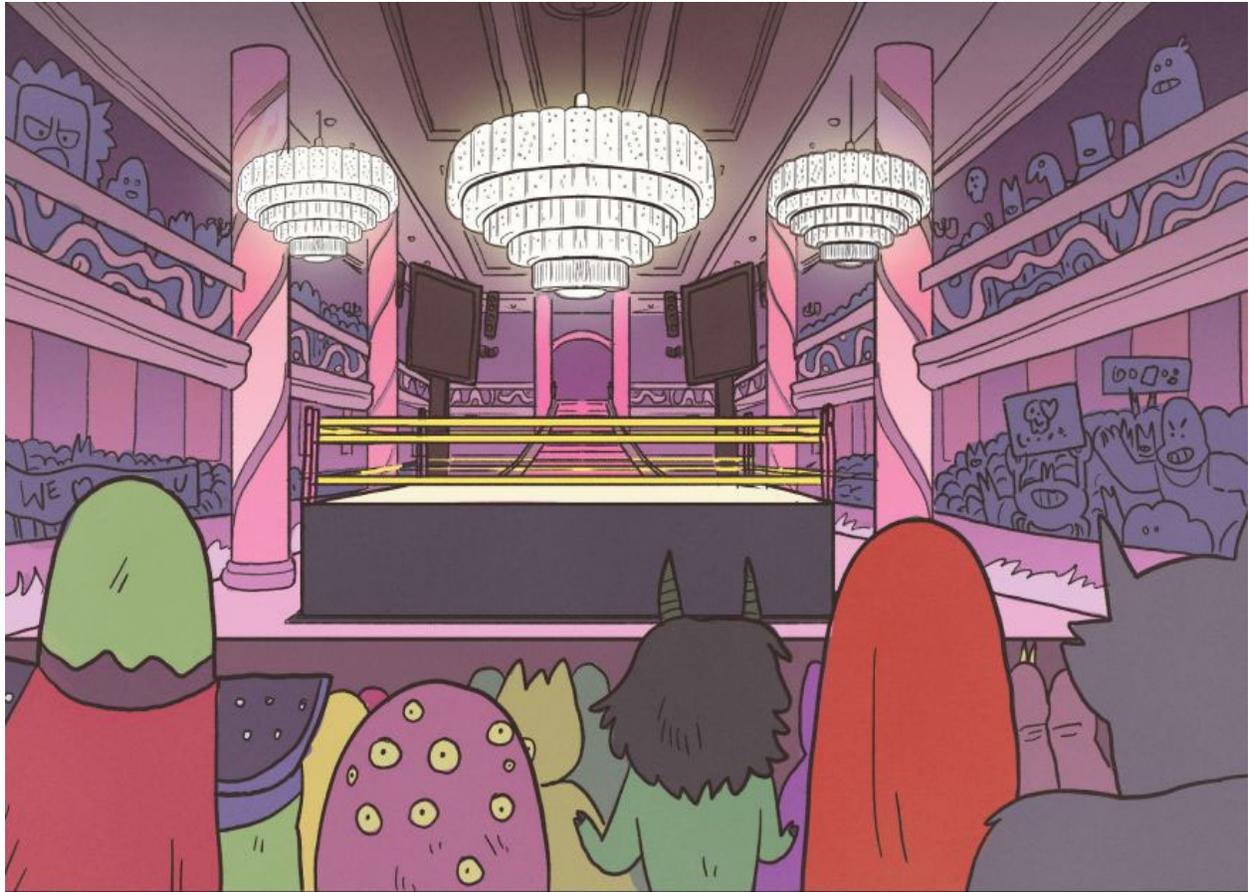












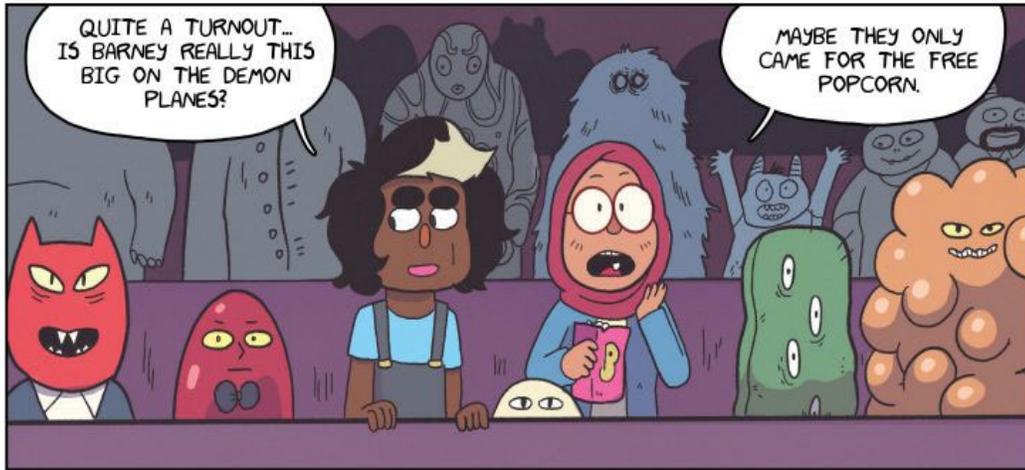
PLANE TICKETS!
PLANE TICKETS!

NOBODY GETS IN
WITHOUT A PLANE
TICKET!



GORD?! WHAT ARE
YOU DOING HERE?

I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
A PATRON OF THE
SPANDEX ARTS!

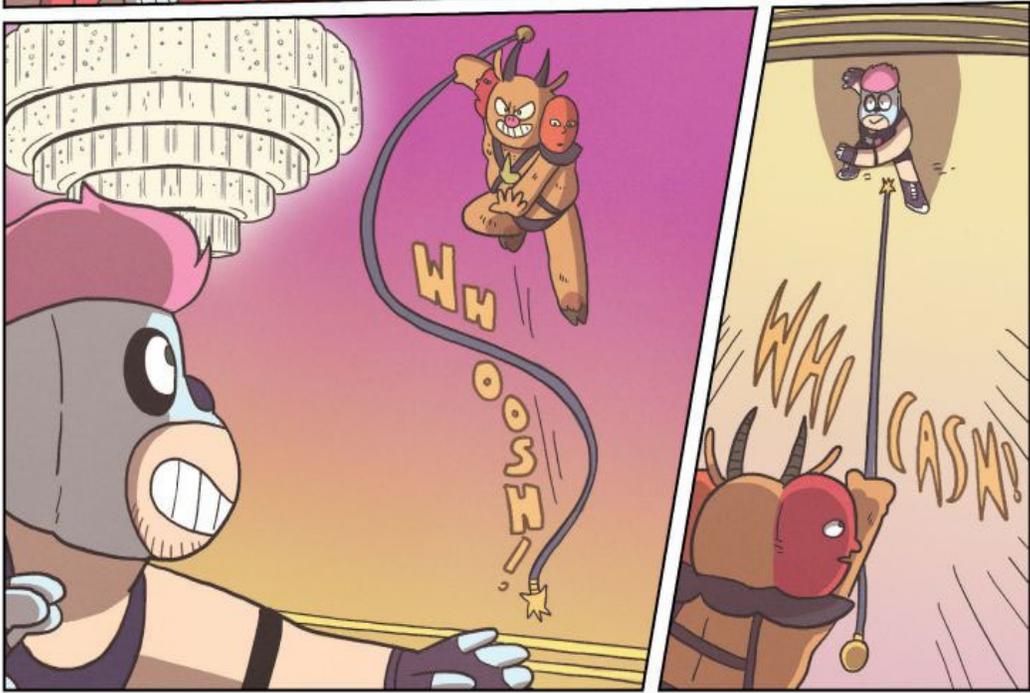


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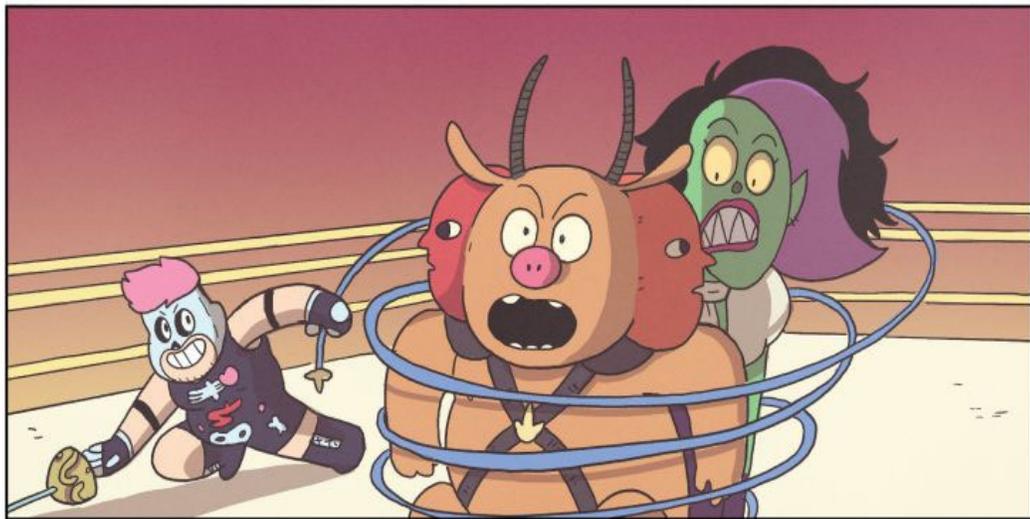










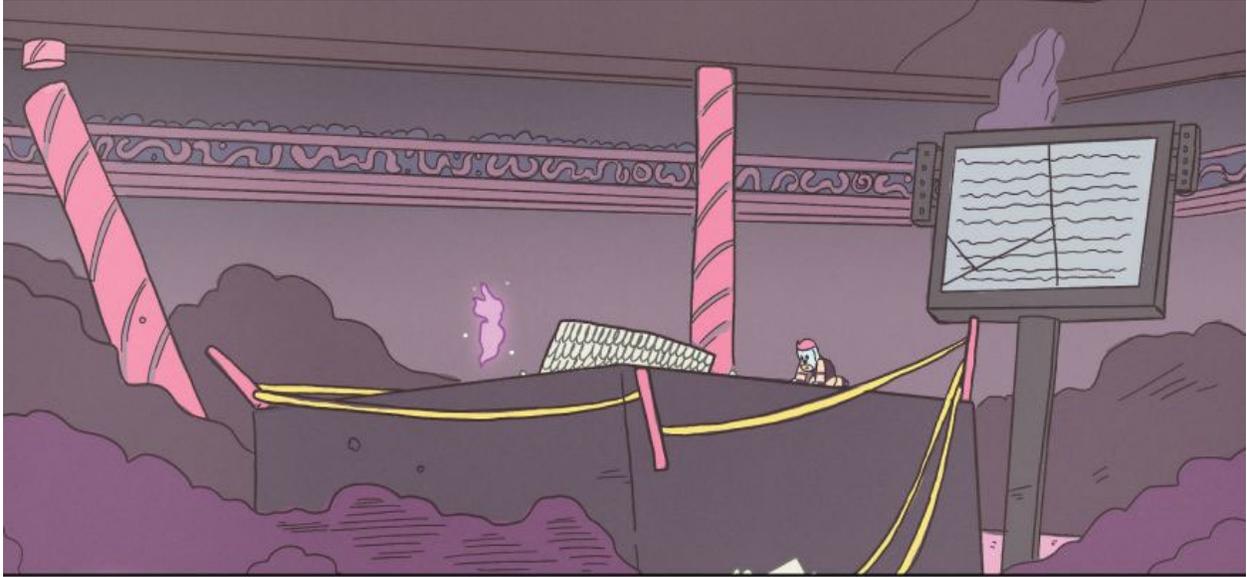






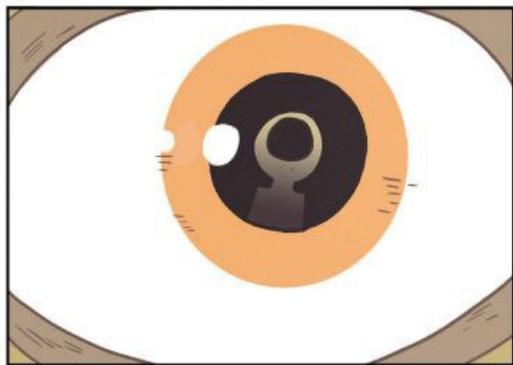




















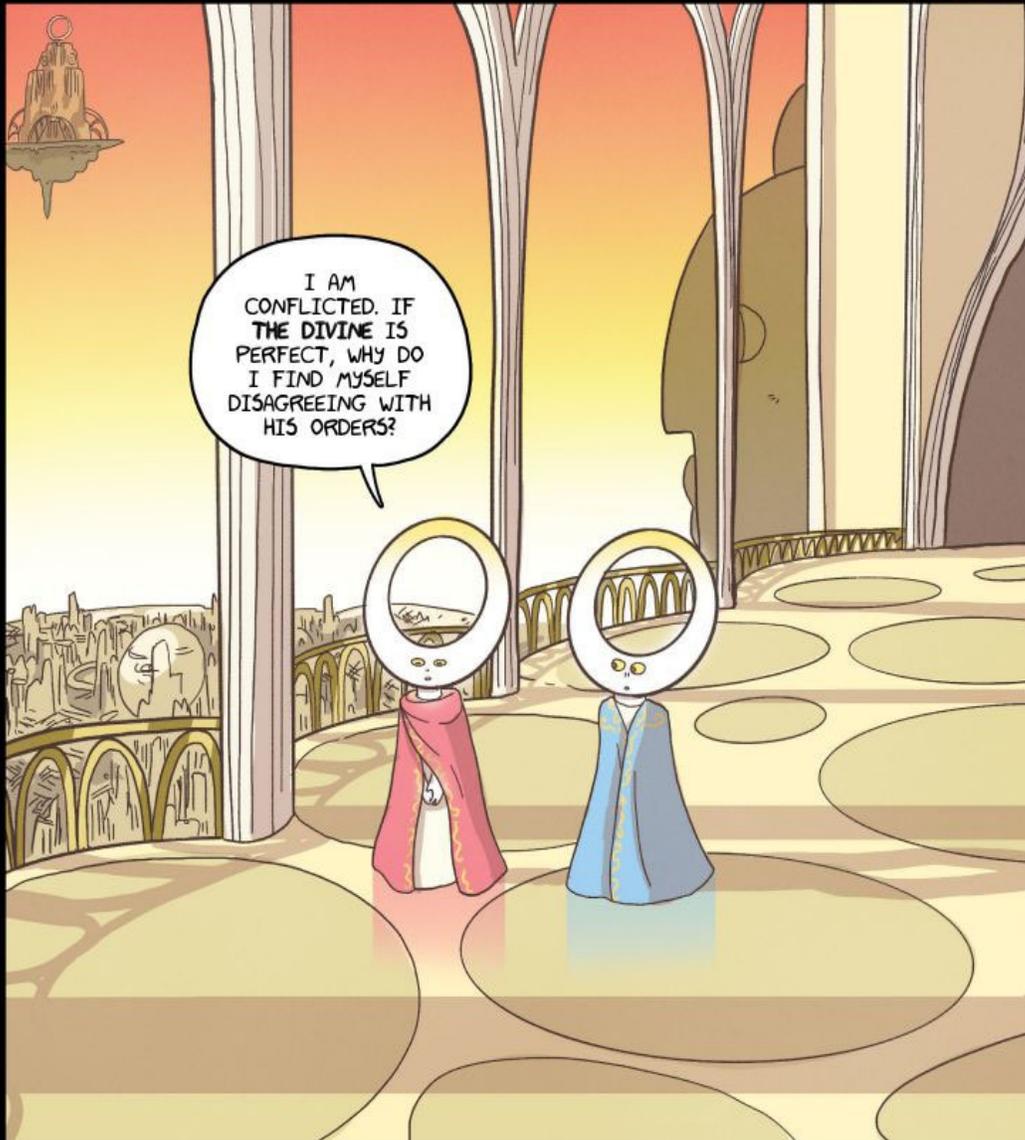
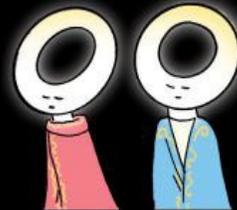


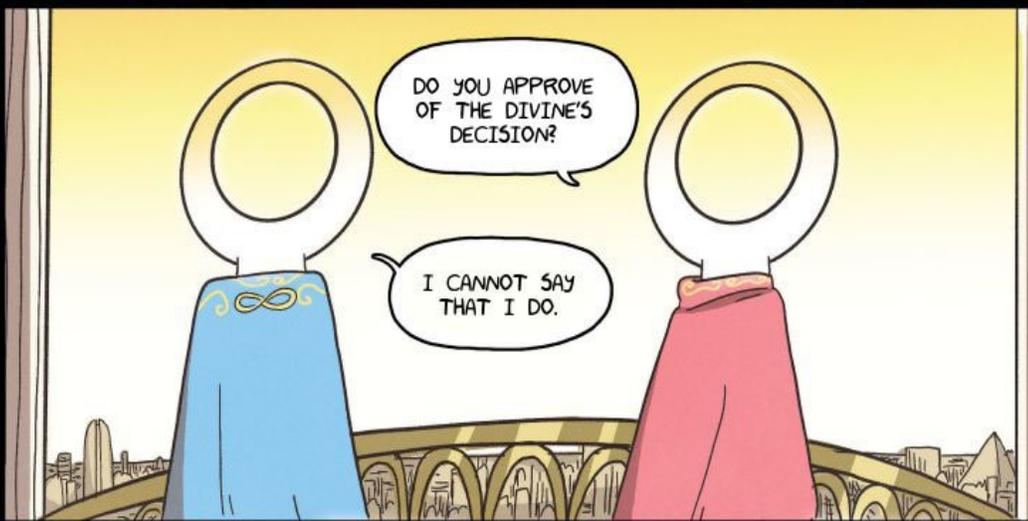
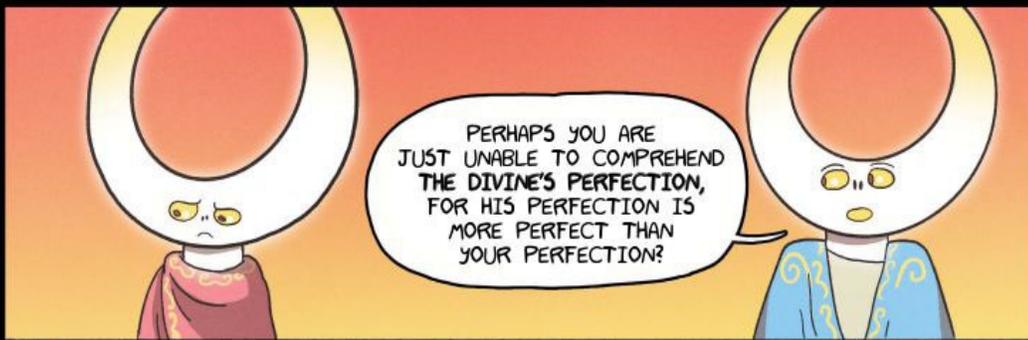


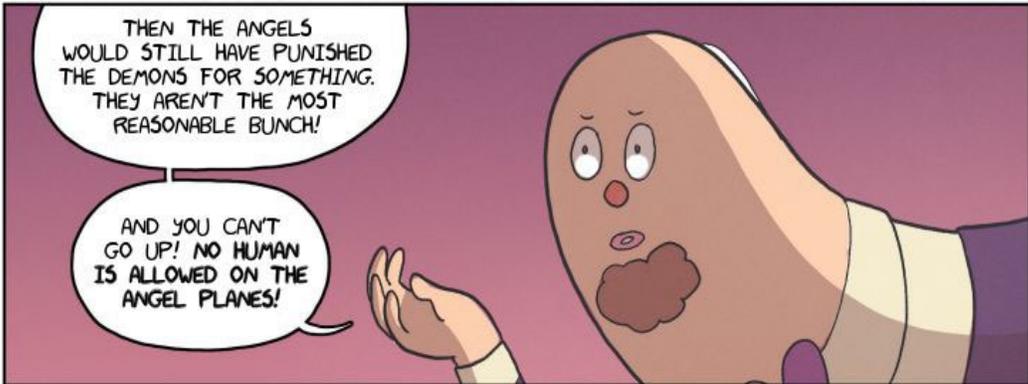
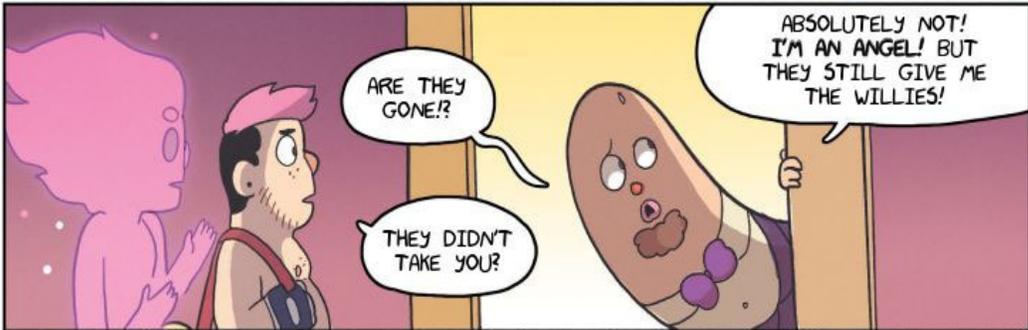
STOP IT!
I DON'T WANT
TO SEE ANY
MORE!

ARE YOU
STILL NOT
GETTING IT?
LET ME SPELL
IT OUT FOR YOU,
DARLING.

LET'S GO
RIGHT BACK
TO THE
START.



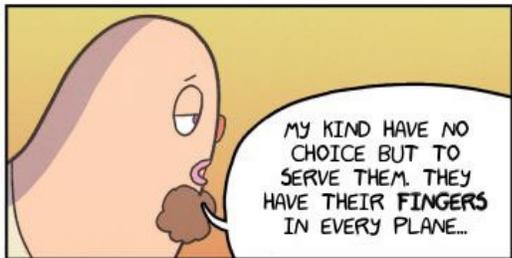






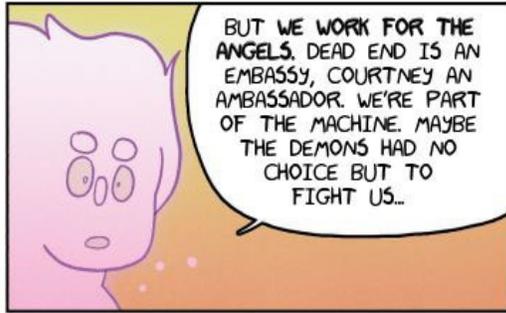
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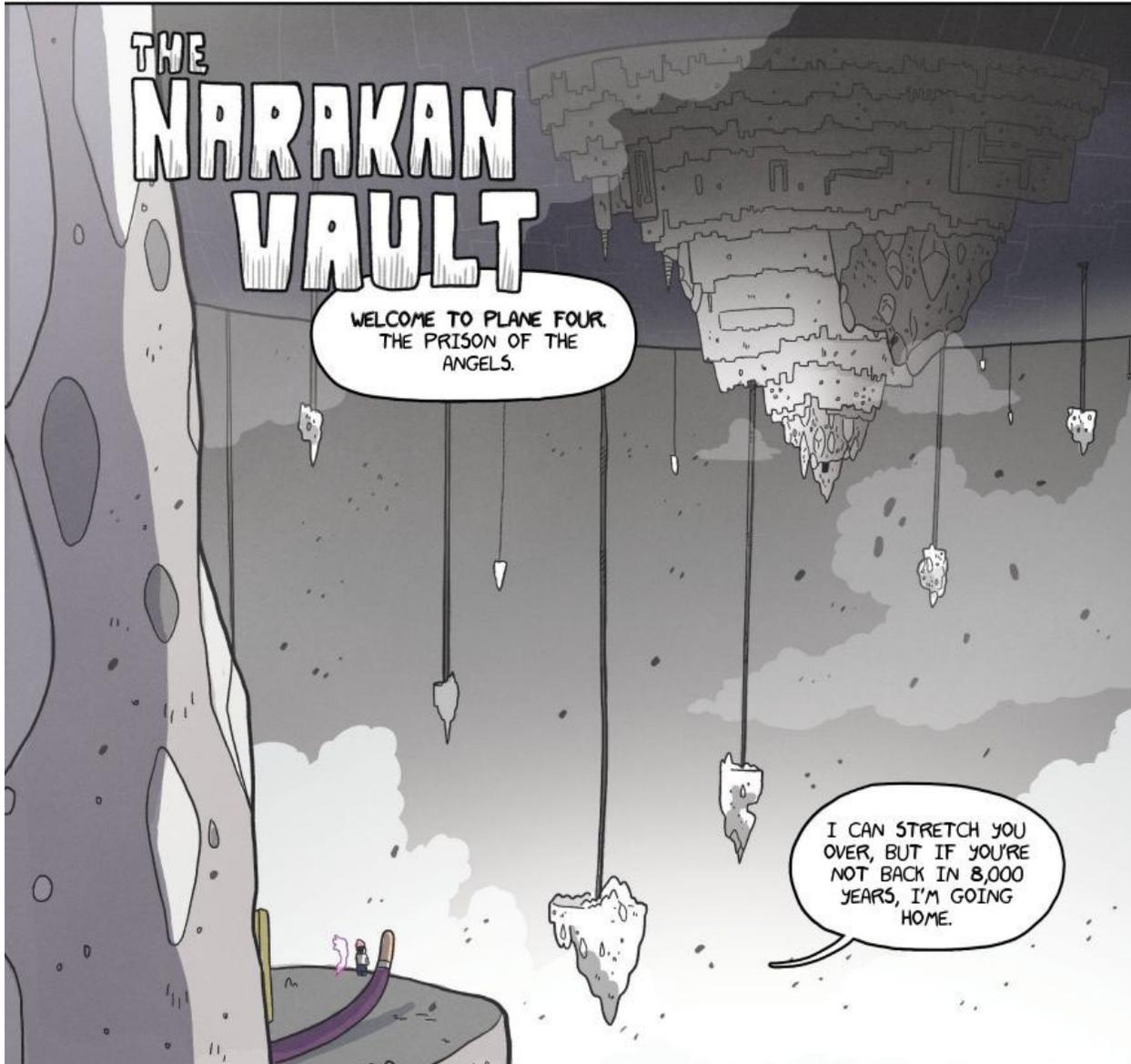
BUT THE DEMONS AREN'T GOOD EITHER, RIGHT? THEY TRICKED ME INTO THAT WRESTLING SCHEME AND HAVE ATTACKED US OVER AND OVER AGAIN!



BUT WE WORK FOR THE ANGELS. DEAD END IS AN EMBASSY, COURTNEY AN AMBASSADOR. WE'RE PART OF THE MACHINE. MAYBE THE DEMONS HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO FIGHT US...



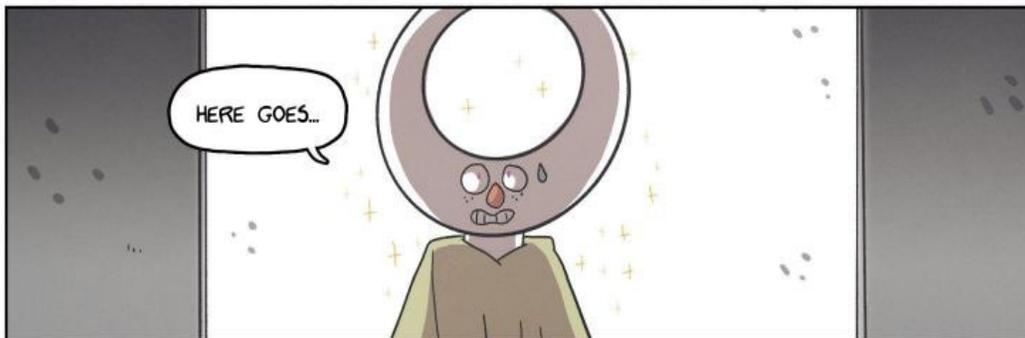
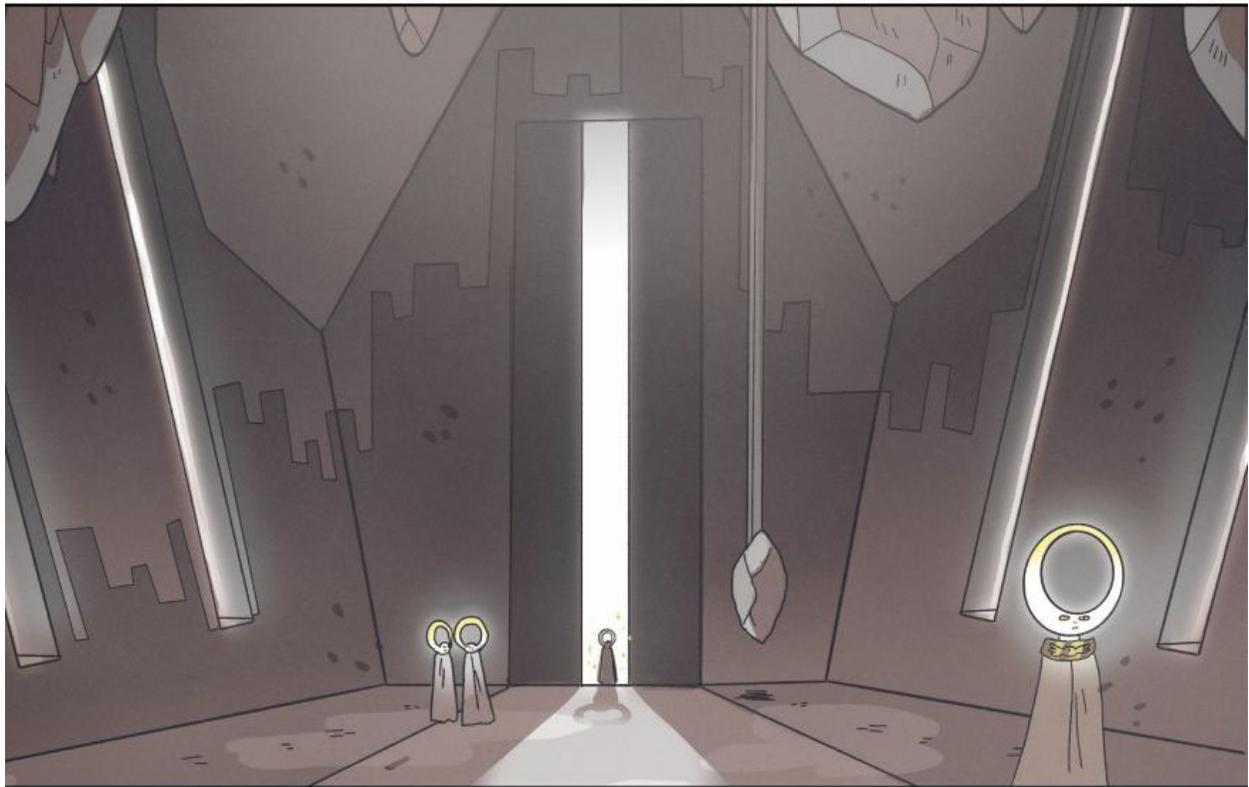
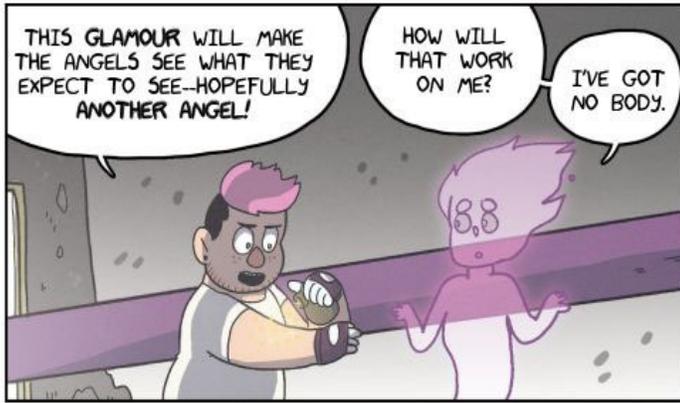
WE'VE ARRIVED.

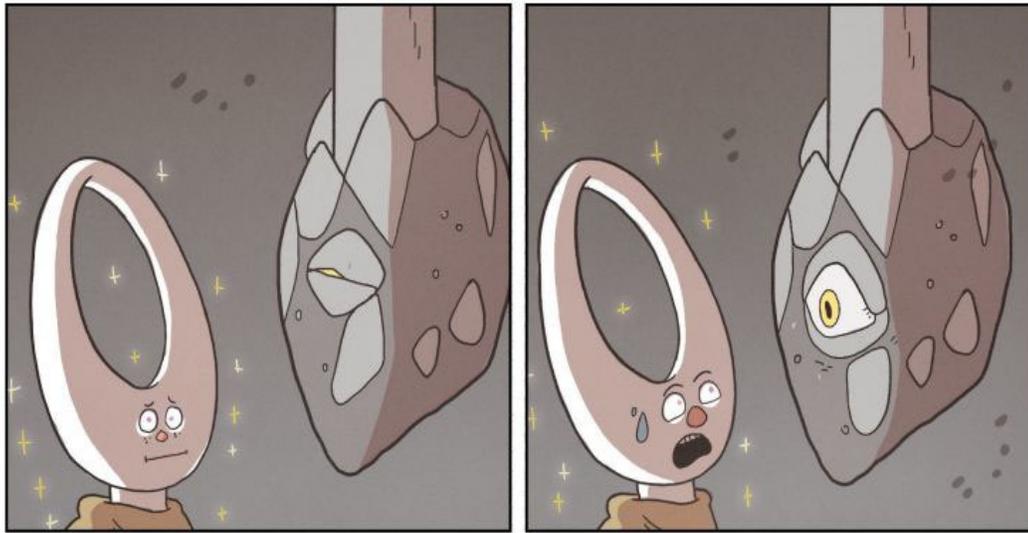


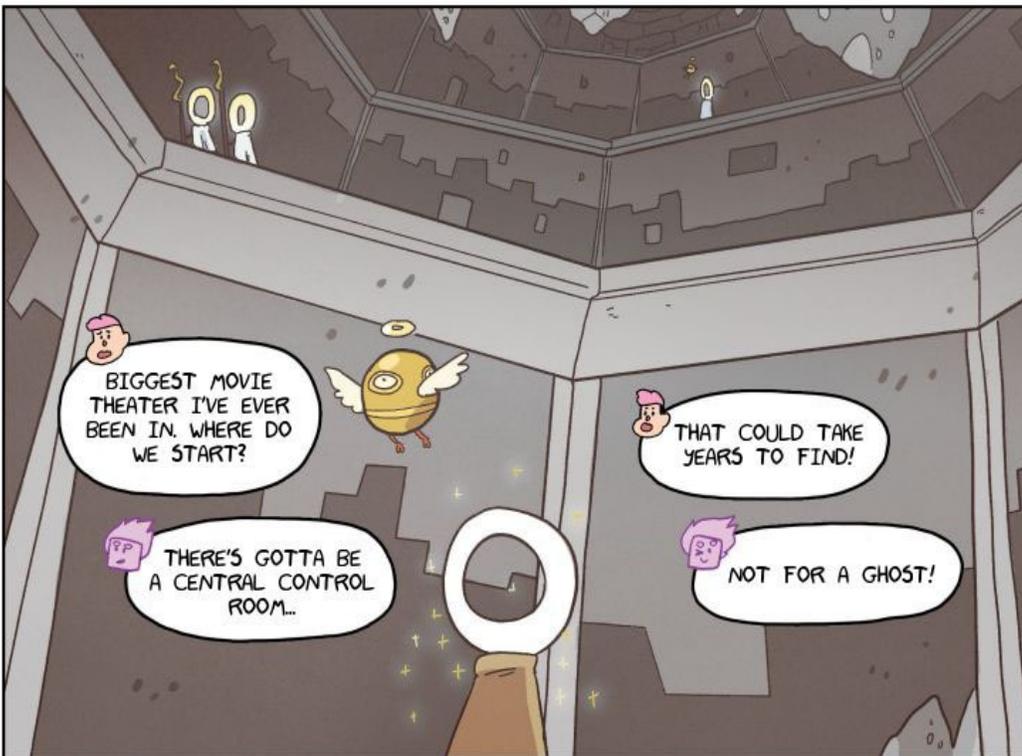
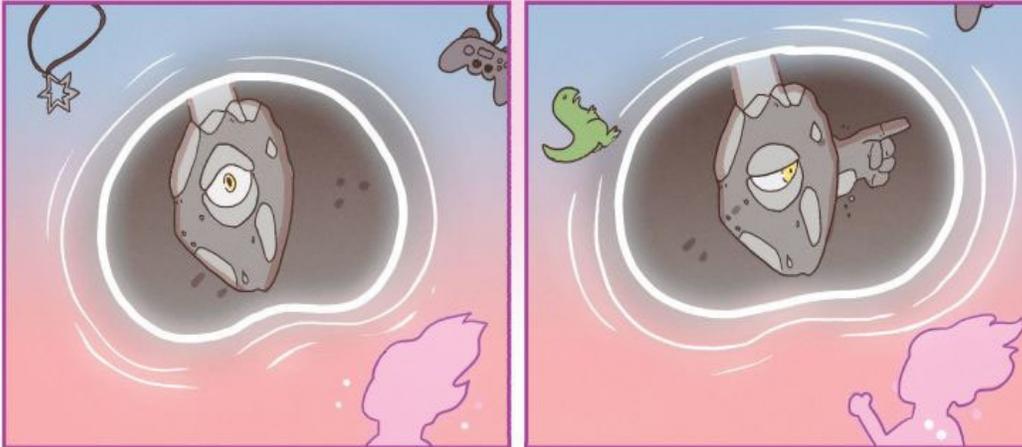
THE NARAKAN VAULT

WELCOME TO PLANE FOUR. THE PRISON OF THE ANGELS.

I CAN STRETCH YOU OVER, BUT IF YOU'RE NOT BACK IN 8,000 YEARS, I'M GOING HOME.









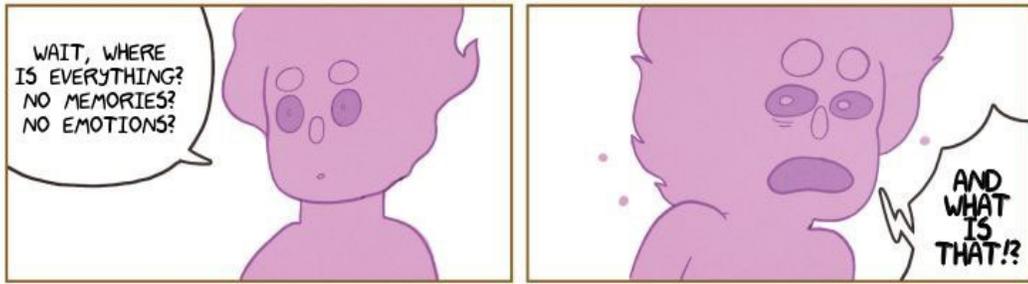


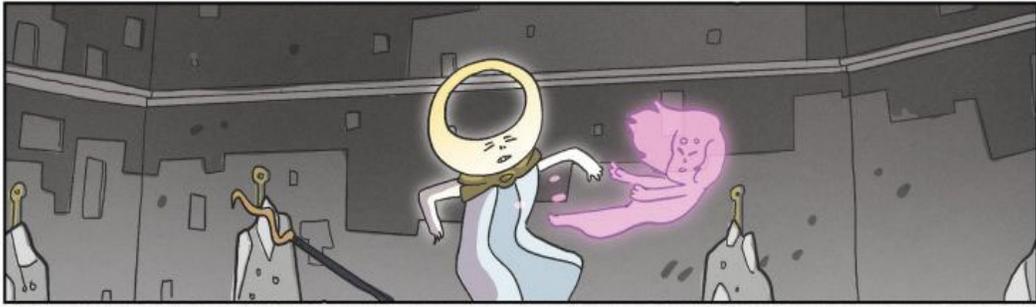




ANGEL
POSSESSION
A GO-GO!



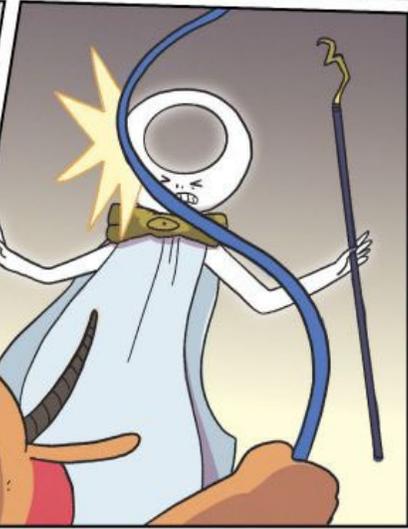




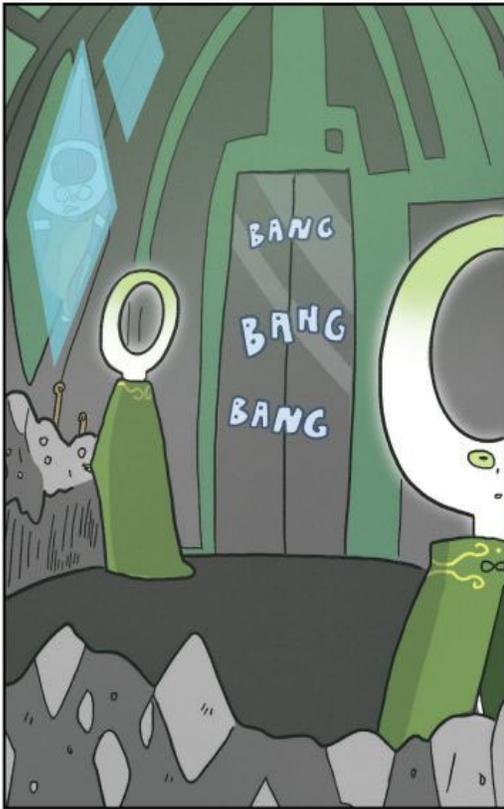


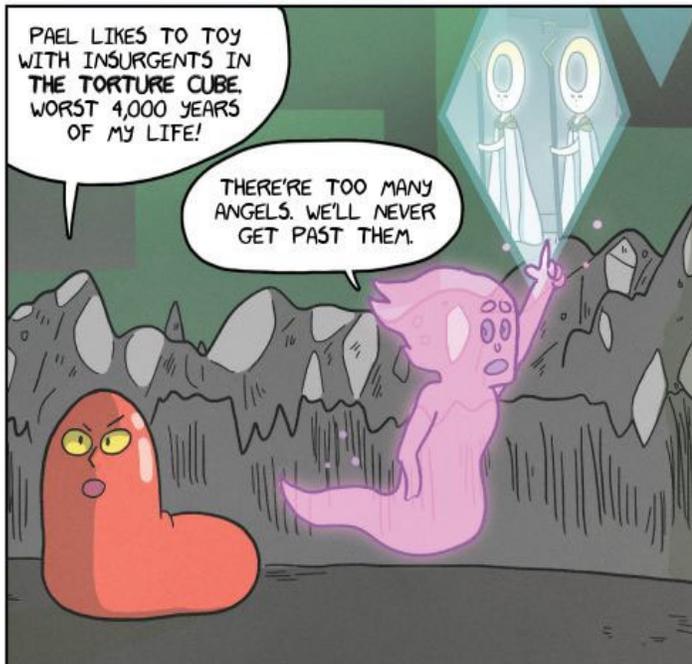




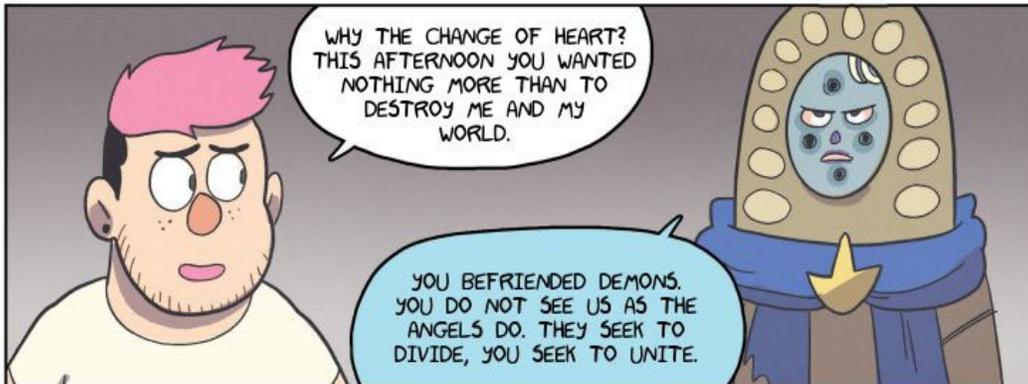








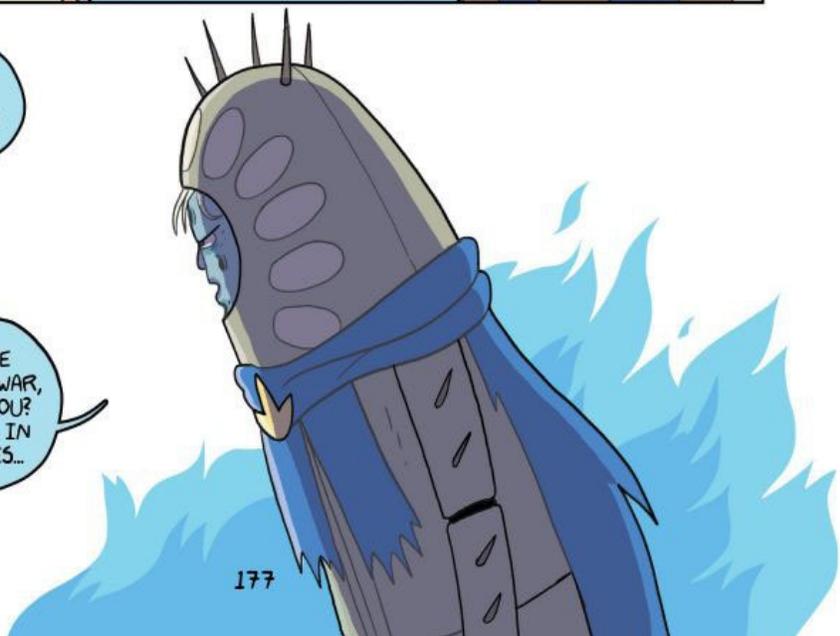


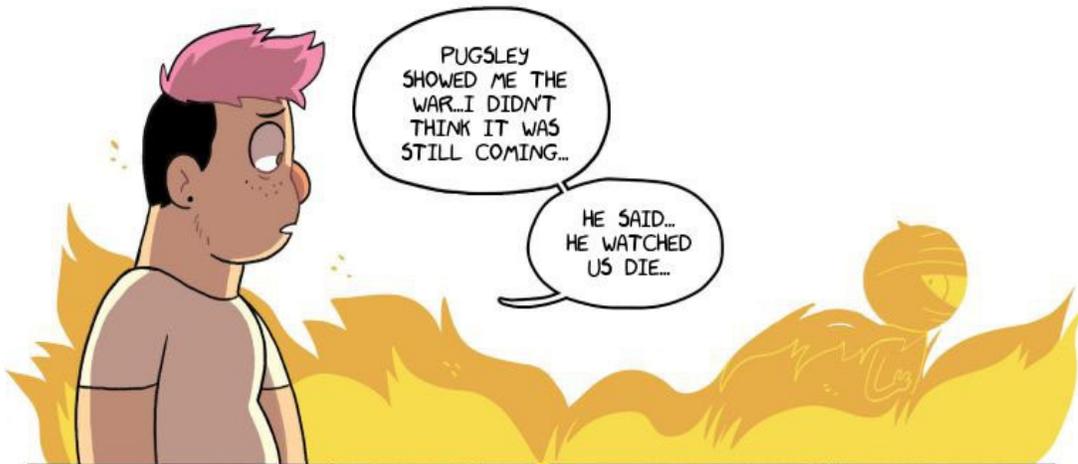


THE FINAL BATTLE BETWEEN DEMONS AND ANGELS APPROACHES.

WE WILL NEED ALL THE ALLIES WE CAN GET...

YOU HAVE SEEN THE WAR, HAVEN'T YOU? I SEE IT IN YOUR EYES...





PUGSLEY
SHOWED ME THE
WAR...I DIDN'T
THINK IT WAS
STILL COMING...

HE SAID...
HE WATCHED
US DIE...



BARNEY!



DON'T ATTACK THE
DEMON KINGS! I THINK
WE'RE FRIENDS NOW?

DON'T GO THAT
FAR, MEATBAG.



WE KNOW WHERE
COURTNEY IS!

SAME!
C'MON! WE'VE
GOT NO TIME
TO LOSE.



NO TIME
AT ALL.





NO!
STOP
SHOWING
ME THIS!



IT HAS
BEGUN.

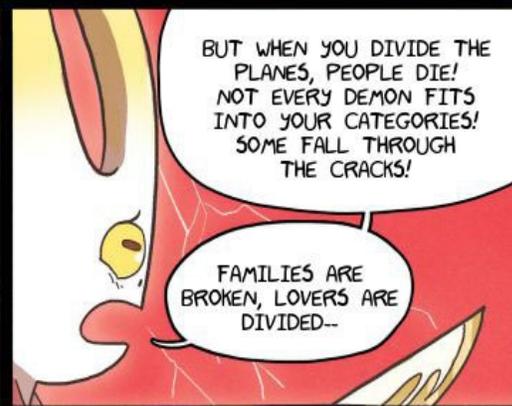


I HAVE
FAILED.

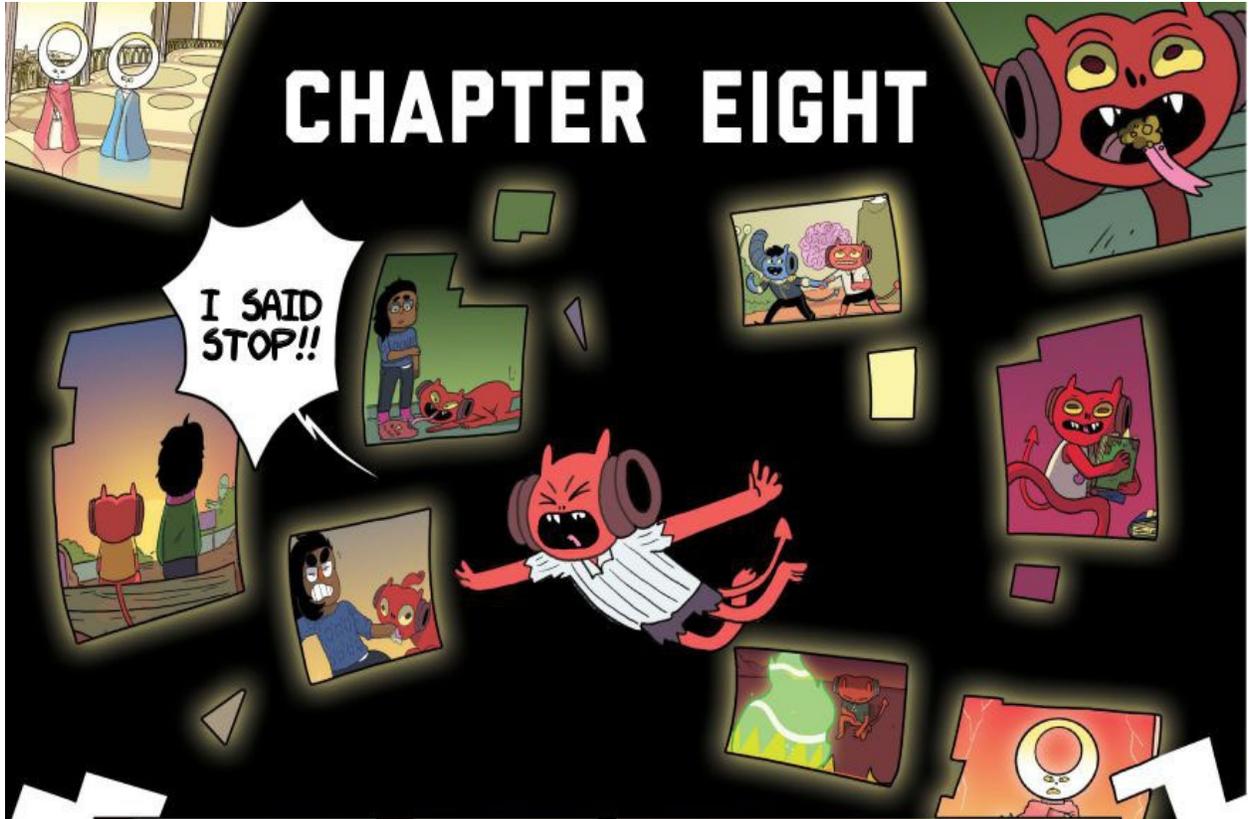
HALT!

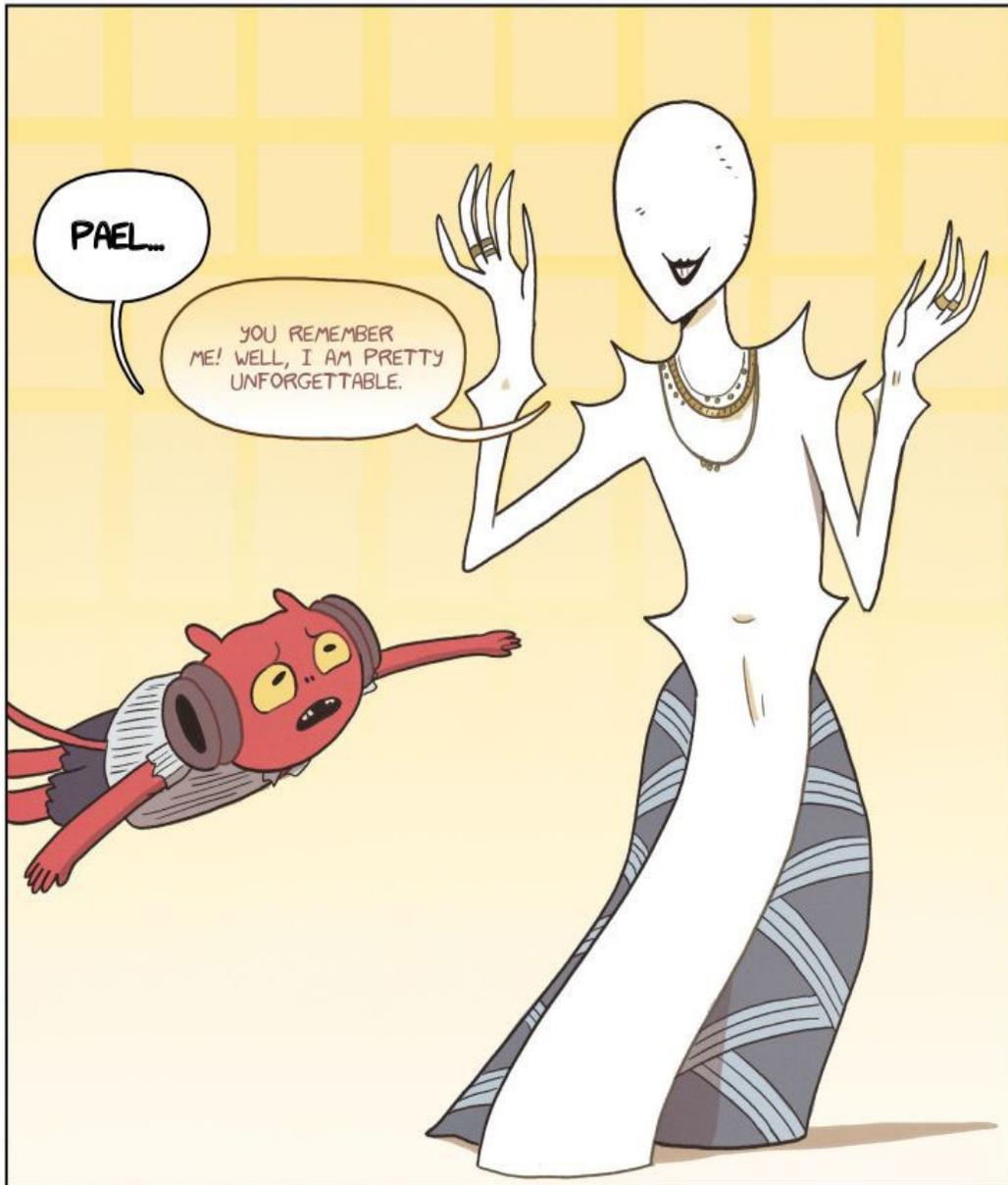


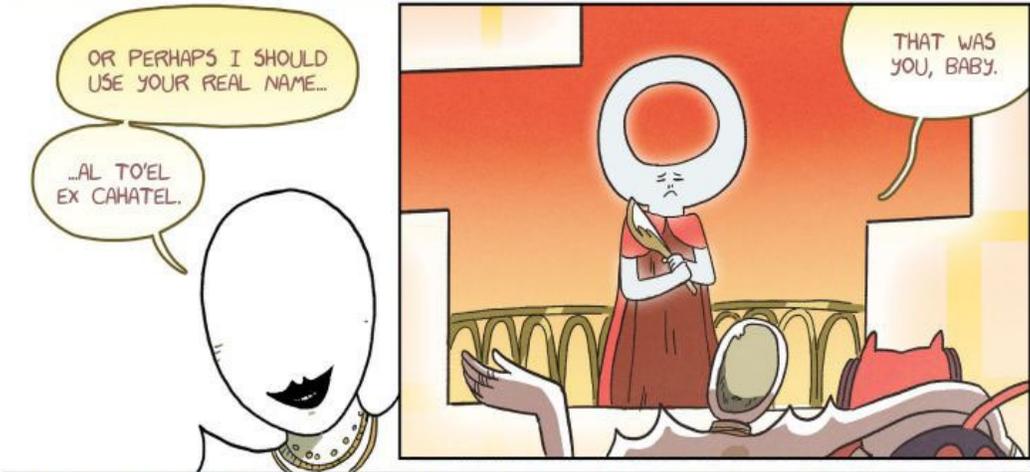
YOU ARE UNDER
ARREST FOR PROTESTING
THE DIVINE ORDER!
THERE SHALL BE 13
PLANES! IT IS
PERFECTION!

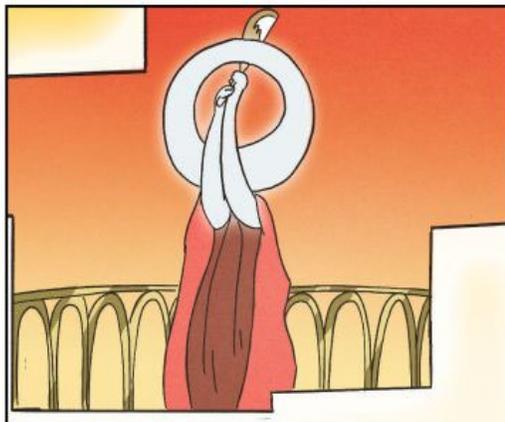
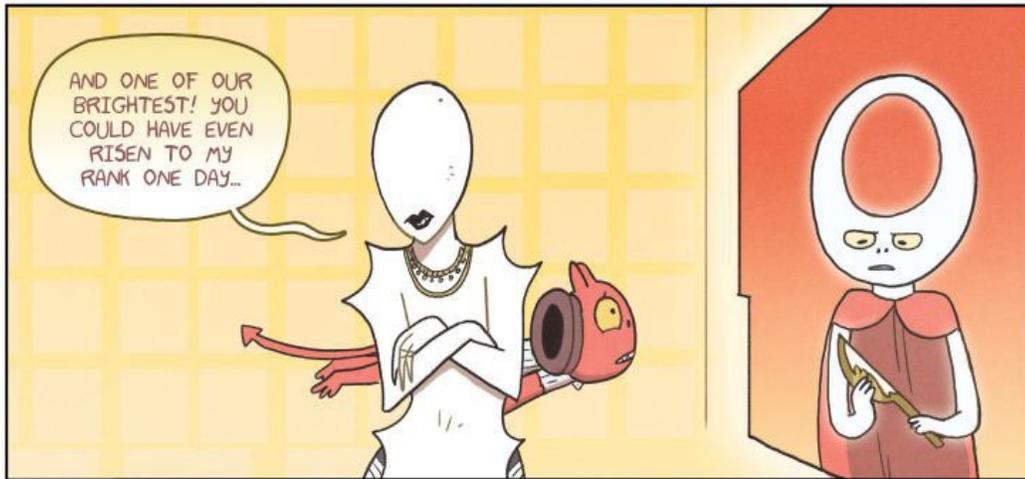


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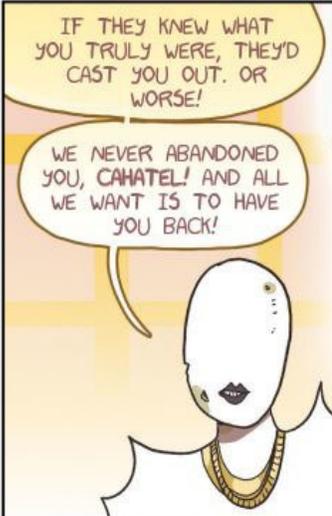


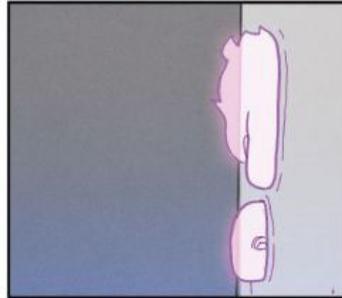
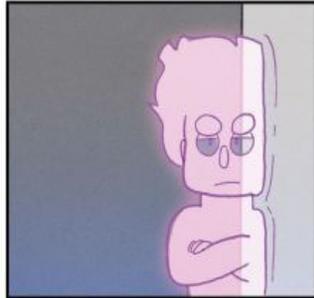
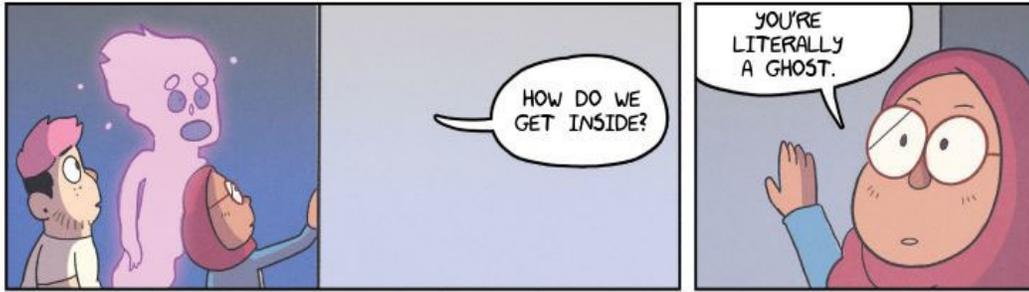




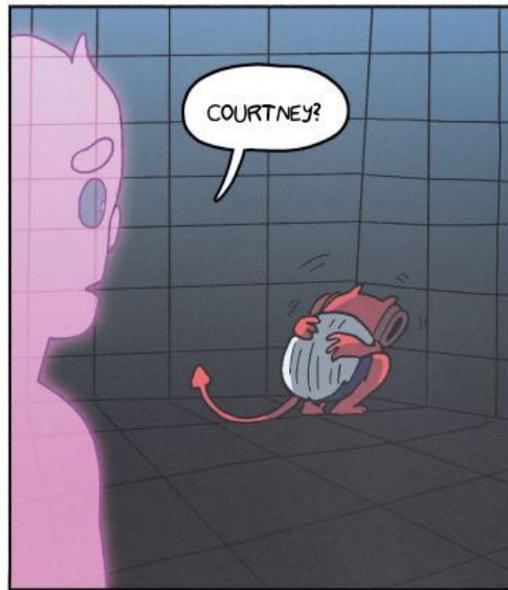






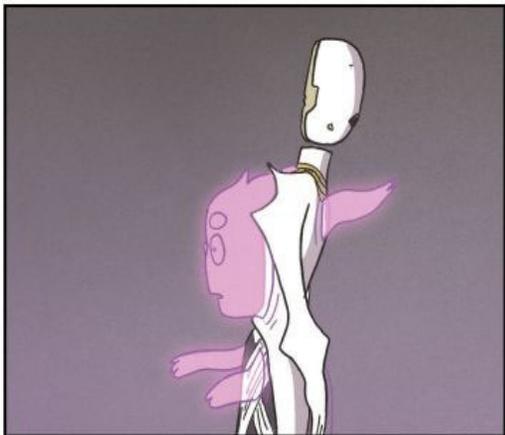
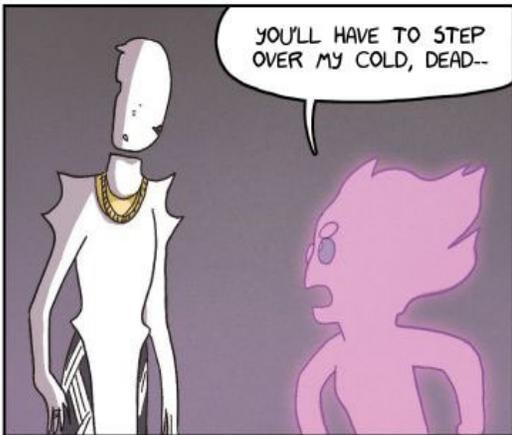
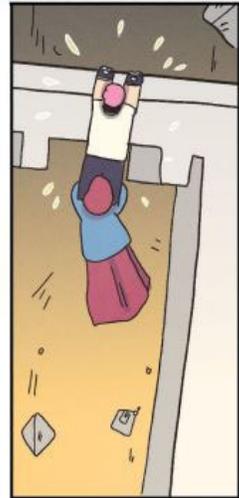
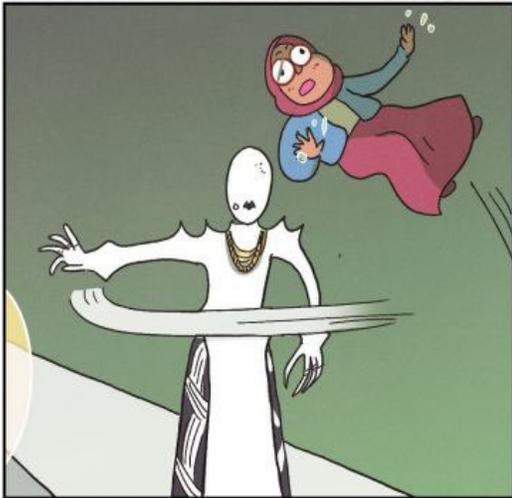
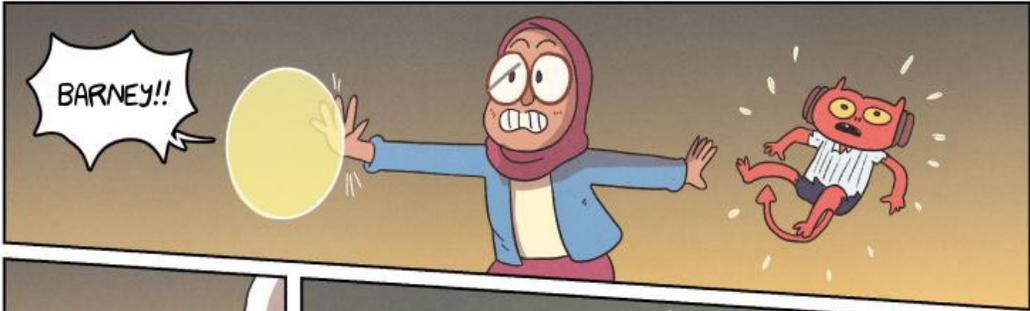














WHY DON'T WE LET THE
AMBASSADOR DECIDE?

THEY TOOK 300
YEARS TO BOTHER TO
REMEMBER YOU EXIST
AND COME FOR YOU...



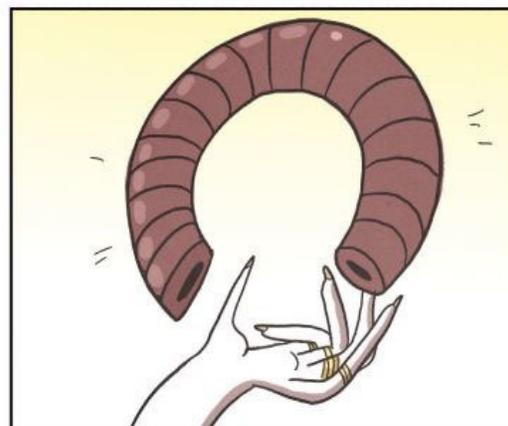
300
YEARS!? YOU
MONSTER!



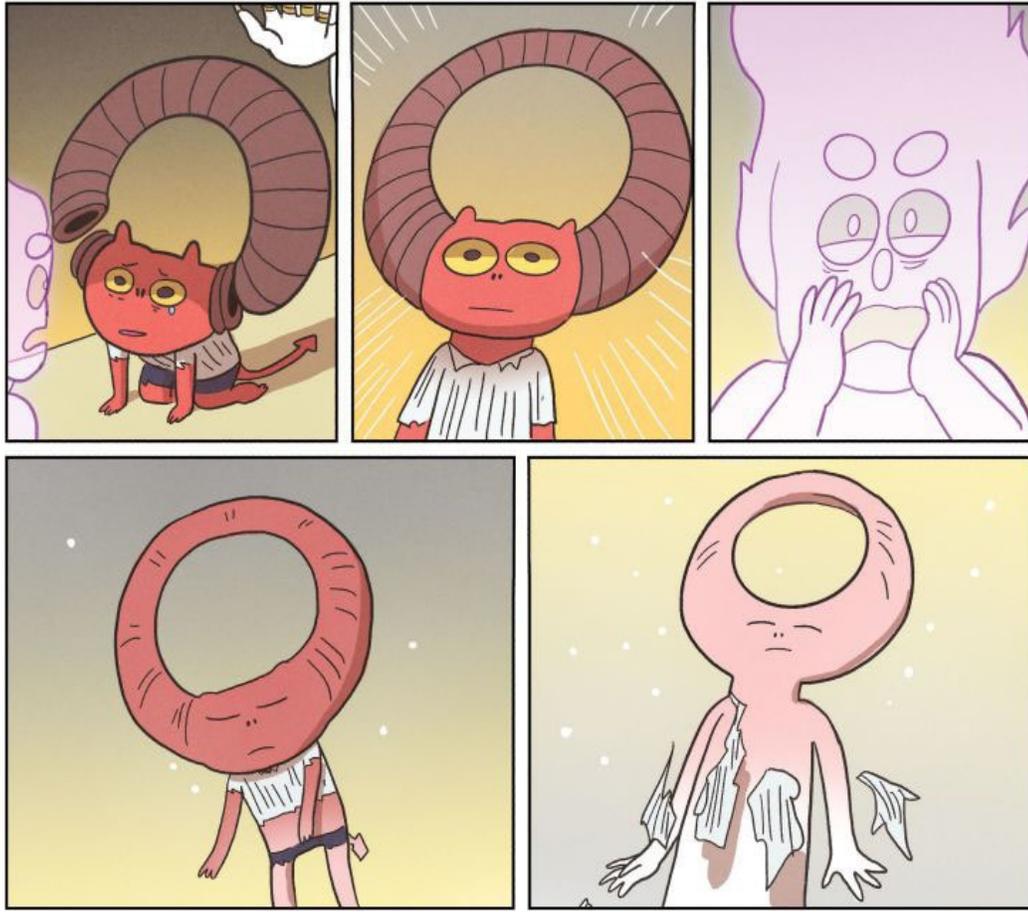
IT'S YOUR CHOICE,
CAHATEL. YOU CAN GO BACK
TO BEING THEIR PET...



...OR TAKE YOUR RIGHTFUL
PLACE BY MY SIDE, AS PART OF
THE DIVINE ORDER!







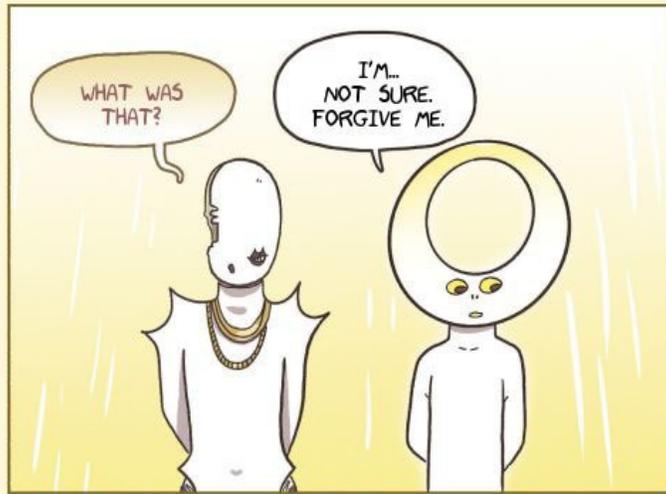


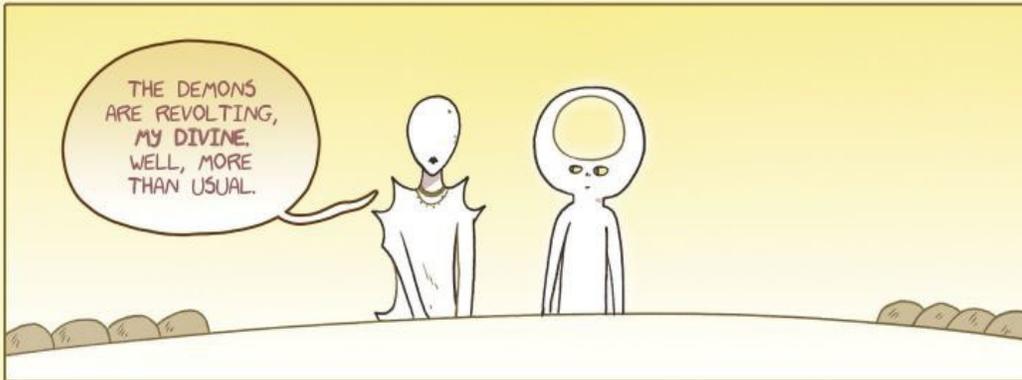














EPILOGUE

AMBASSADOR'S LOG...
NUMBER ONE?

WOW! I GUESS
COURTNEY NEVER
KEPT A LOG!

I'VE BEEN ASSIGNED AS THE AMBASSADOR OF
PLANE SEVEN NOW THAT COURTNEY'S GONE...
SUITS ME! NOT SURE I WANT TO BE UP AT
THE BUREAU OF PARADOXES THESE DAYS...

AMBASSADOR D.

DEAD END IS NOW HOME TO
THE DEMON REBELLION.
WE'RE EXPECTING SOME
PRETTY SWIFT PUNISHMENT
FOR Y'KNOW...BLOWING UP
THEIR PRISON.

THE ANGELS ARE DEFFO MOVIN'
TO DIVIDE THE PLANES AGAIN,
WHICH MEANS WE MUST BE MORE
UNITED THAN EVER. WHICH MEANS...

...FORGIVING
EACH OTHER...

DING-DONG

BARNEY, WHAT
ARE WE DOING HERE?
WHOSE HOUSE IS
THIS?

I RUN AWAY
FROM EVERYTHING
THAT I DON'T WANNA
DEAL WITH.

NO. YOU WERE RIGHT.
BUT I'M NOT GONNA RUN
AWAY ANYMORE. I PROMISE.
AND WE'RE HERE TO
PROVE THAT.

BARNEY, I DIDN'T
MEAN WHAT I--







...AND ACCEPTING THAT OUR FUTURE HAS TO BE PART HUMAN AND PART DEMON.

ARE YOU SURE? ONCE I DO THIS TO YOU...THERE'S NO GOING BACK.

IF I DONT DO THIS, THERE'S NO GOING FORWARD. YOU'RE A VAMPIRE. DO YOUR THING.



NOW!





BUT EVEN THEN,
THE ANGELS MIGHT BE
TOO MUCH FOR US.

AND SO I SNUCK
SOMETHING OUT OF
THE BUREAU...



A GREAT WIZARD,
TRAPPED IN A PARADOX
OF HIS OWN MAKING.

HE TRAVELED
THROUGH TIME AND
KILLED HIS YOUNGER
SELF. BUT IN DOING
SO, HE WAS ERASED
FROM EXISTENCE.



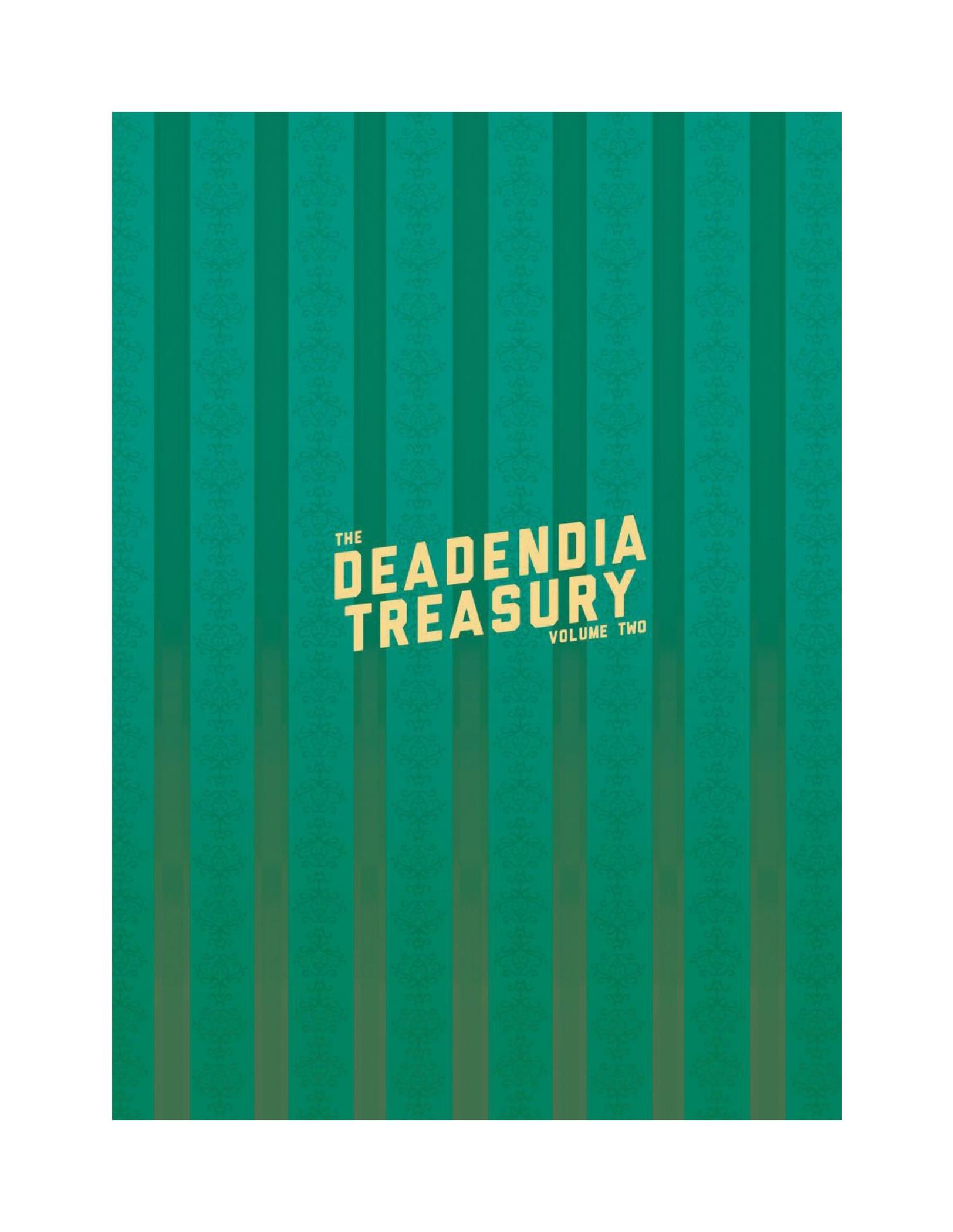
BUT IF HE
NEVER EXISTED,
WHO KILLED THE
YOUNGER VERSION?

IT'S A PARADOX
I'VE SPENT MONTHS
UNTANGLING, BUT
HE'S ALMOST AWAKE...



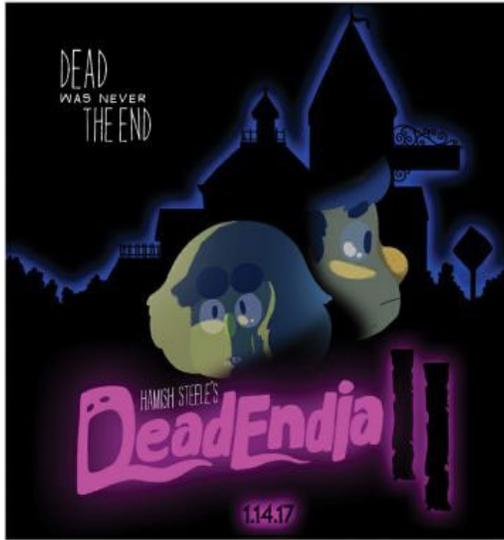
AND WE'RE
GONNA NEED ALL
THE GREAT WIZARDS
WE CAN GET OUR
HANDS ON...





THE
**DEADENDIA
TREASURY**
VOLUME TWO

WHILE THE FIRST DEADENDIA BOOK BEGAN LIFE AS A WEBCOMIC, THE BROKEN HALO WAS INITIALLY WRITTEN TO BE A BOOK. EVEN SO, I DID BEGIN UPLOADING A FEW PAGES IN WEBCOMIC FORM BEFORE CANCELING IT AND SHIFTING FOCUS TO THE BOOKS.

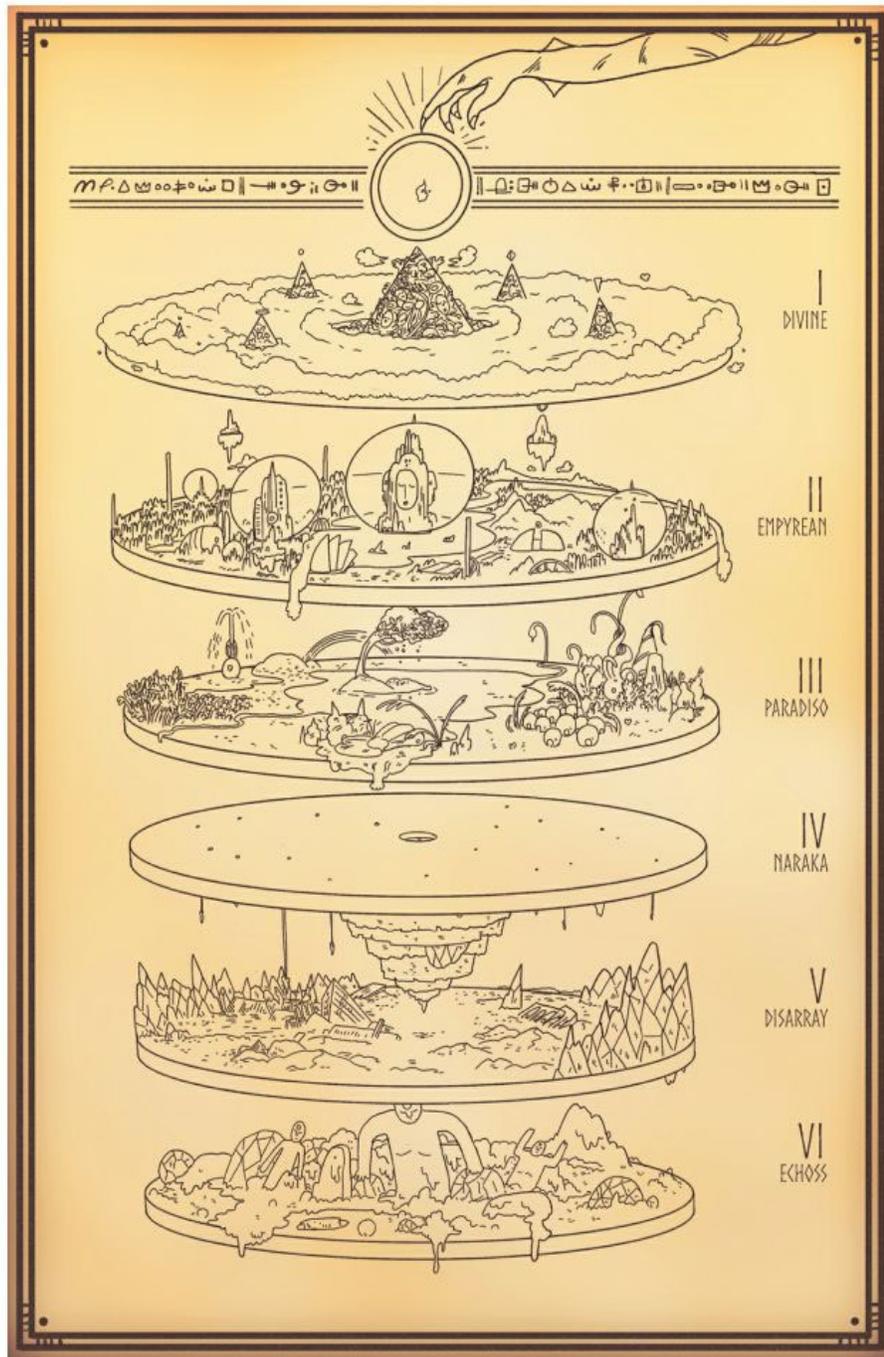


TEASER POSTER FOR THE SECOND WEBCOMIC ARC



READ WITH PRIDE!

SPECIAL POSTER COMMISSIONED FOR A PRIDE MONTH SIGNING



MAP OF THE MULTI-PLANE

𐎧𐎠𐎡𐎢𐎣𐎤𐎥𐎦 THE MULTI-PLANE 𐎧𐎠𐎡𐎢𐎣𐎤𐎥𐎦

THE UNIVERSE IS DIVIDED INTO 13 PLANES. TRAVEL BETWEEN THE DEMONIC PLANES IS PERMITTED ONLY TO THOSE WITH AN OFFICIAL PLANE TICKET FROM AN EMBASSY OF THE ANGELIC HORDE. TRAVEL BETWEEN THE ANGELIC PLANES IS PERMITTED ONLY TO ANGELS AND GUESTS OF THE DIVINE. THE SEVENTH PLANE IS TO REMAIN A NEUTRAL PLANE BETWEEN THE SIX DEMONIC PLANES AND THE SIX ANGELIC PLANES, AND THE EXISTENCE OF EITHER SIDE MUST REMAIN A SECRET TO THE NATIVE CREATURES KNOWN AS HUMANS.

VII
EARTH



VIII
BATHMOS



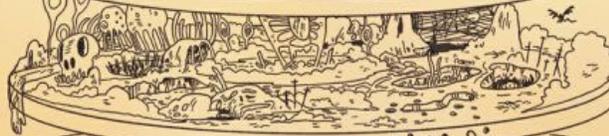
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BORESS



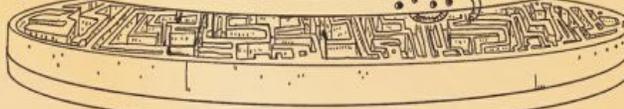
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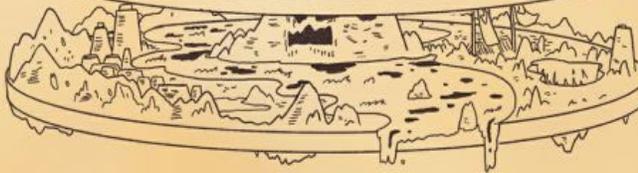
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GAGEN



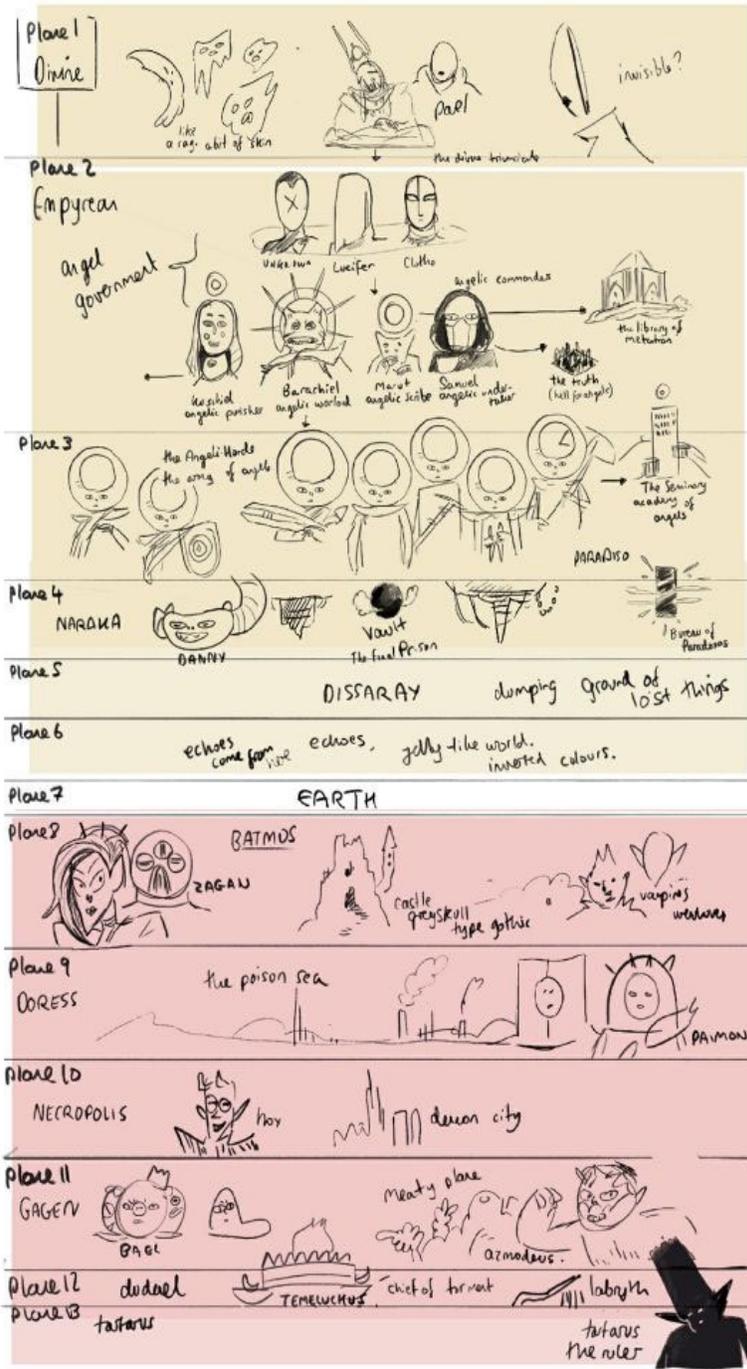
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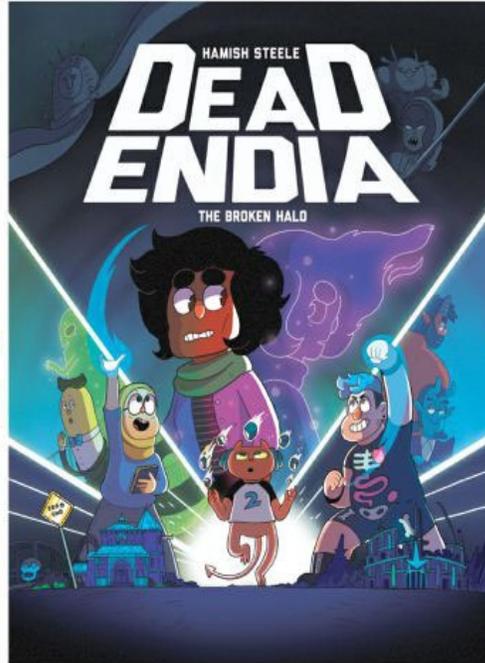
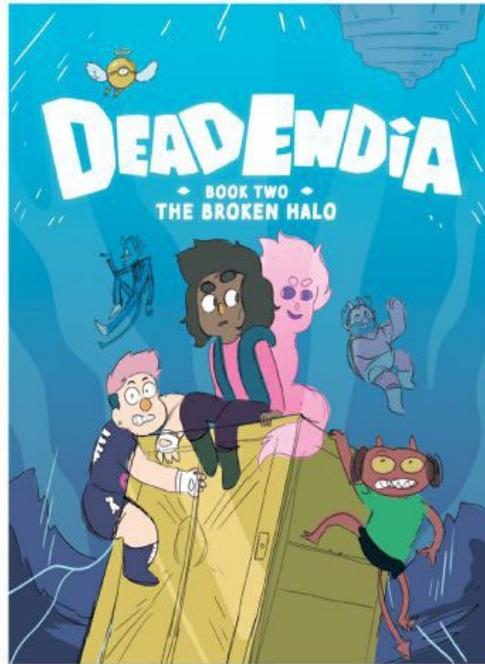
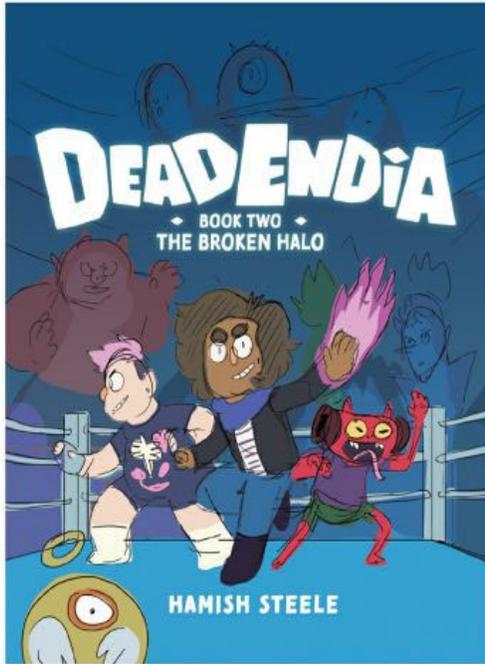
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TARTARUS



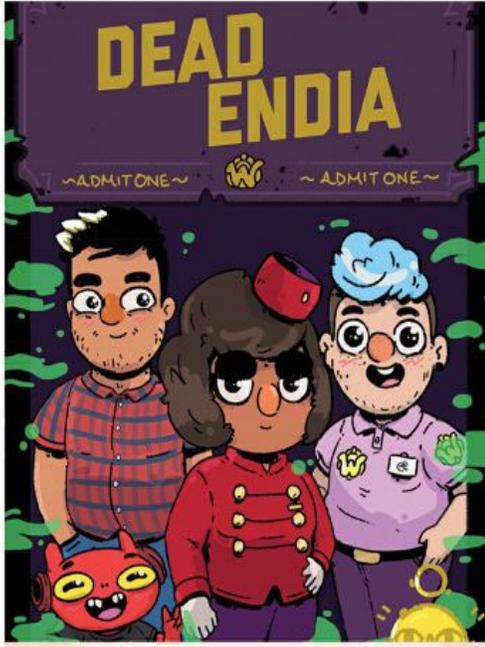
INITIAL MULTI-PLANE SKETCH



ALTERNATE COVER DRAFTS



GUEST COVERS



NATHAN RICHARDS



TERRY BLAS



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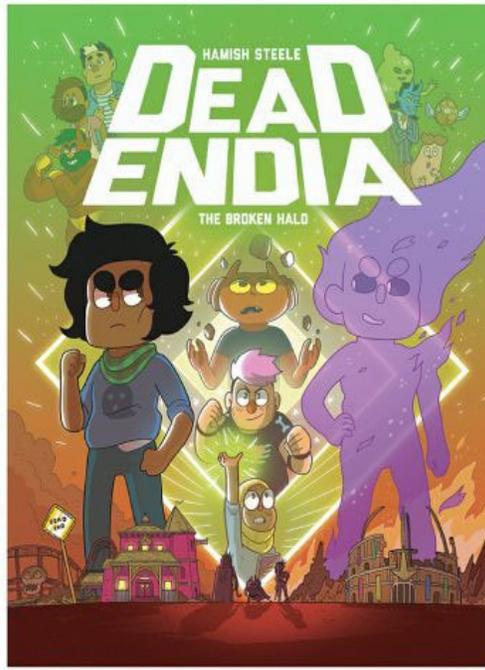
MARIE CALLUM



JONATHAN HARRIS



DASHIELL SILVA



HAMISH STEELE

BARNEY GUTTMAN

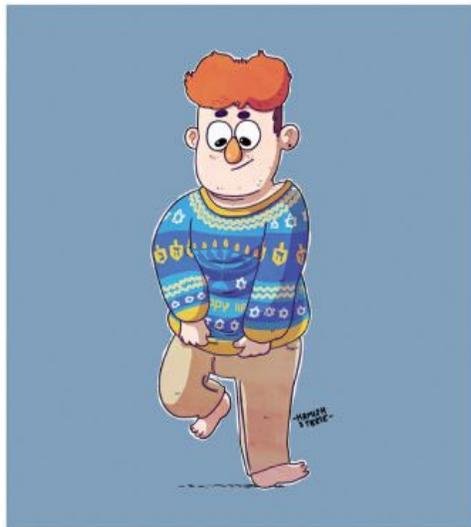
FOR THE SECOND BOOK, I WAS MUCH MORE CONFIDENT DRAWING THE CHARACTERS, SO I FOCUSED MORE ON PUTTING THEM IN FUN OUTFITS. THE MOST FUN OUTFIT TO DESIGN WAS OF COURSE BARNEY'S WRESTLING GEAR.



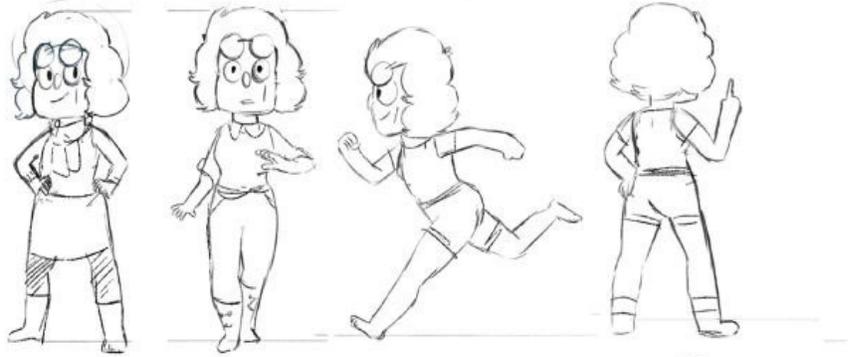
I WANTED HIS WRESTLING OUTFIT TO BE THE OPPOSITE OF THE DEMON WORLD TO MAKE HIM STAND OUT. WHAT DOES A VILLAIN LOOK LIKE TO A DEMON?

I INITIALLY TRIED TO USE BRIGHT COLORS AND HAPPY SYMBOLS. BUT THE STORY REQUIRES DEMONS TO BE WHIPPED UP TO HATE HUMANS SPECIFICALLY. SO I SETTLED ON BARNEY'S WRESTLING PERSONA BEING "THE LIVING HUMAN" AND HAVING HIS OUTFIT HIGHLIGHT HIS SKELETON AND ORGANS.

DEADENDIA RPG GAME CONCEPT ART



NORMA KHAN



ASMODEUS



THE DEMON KINGS

THE DEMON KINGS WERE INSPIRED BY POWER RANGER VILLAINS, WHO OFTEN COME IN TEAMS WITH COMPLETELY CLASHING DESIGNS. I WANTED THEM TO FEEL UNITED BUT ALSO AS DIFFERENT AS POSSIBLE FROM EACH OTHER.

THE TARTARUCHI THE DEMON KINGS THAT DOW TO TARTARUS, THE TOTAL DEMONIC EMPIRE.





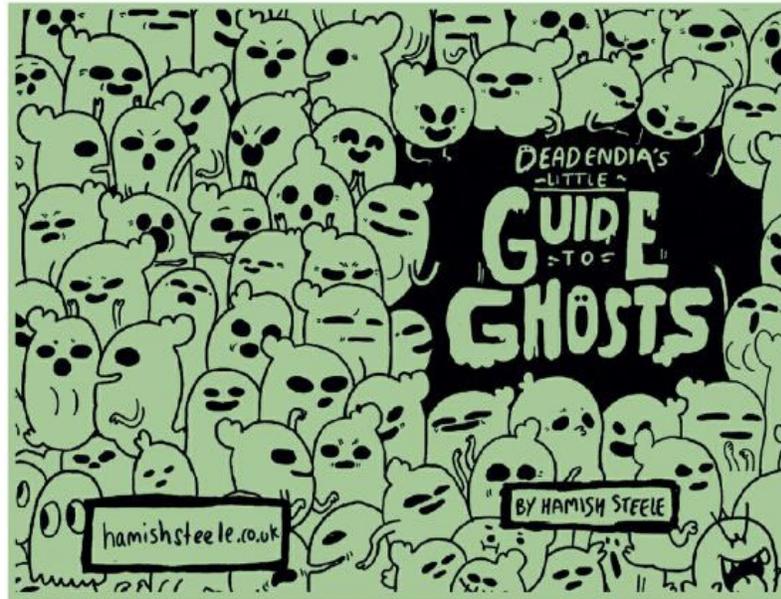
PROMOTIONAL CHARACTER PORTRAITS

I EVEN MADE
ONE OF ME!



DEADENDIA GUIDE TO GHOSTS ZINES

I MADE A LITTLE PROMOTIONAL ZINE TO INTRODUCE SOME OF THE GHOST CONCEPTS FEATURED IN THE BOOK. I SOLD THIS ZINE EXCLUSIVELY AT CONVENTIONS, MAKING IT ONE OF THE RAREST DEADENDIA ITEMS!



ECTOPLASM APPARITIONS

IS FOUND IN ALL LIVING THINGS!
IT'S AN ENERGY WHICH GIVES US A
SOUL.



THE MORE SUDDEN AND UNEXPECTED THE DEATH, THE MORE ECTOPLASM IS RELEASED AND THE MORE IT IS BOUND TOGETHER IN A COHERANT FORM.

IS THE UMBRELLA TERM FOR THE
FOR THESE ECTOPLASMIC LEAVINGS.
THESE ARE SOME TYPES -

COLD SPOTS - the faintest of
energy - left behind by slow, often
disease-related deaths.

ORBS - clumps of ecto-
plasm that's
gathered together from
different deaths.

SPIRIT - an undeniable
dead presence
of one individual, with-
out form. The feeling of life.

SPECTRE - an apparition with
physical form but no
autonomy. They can
look faint or vague
and usually just stare.



POLTERGEIST-

NO VISUAL FORM BUT OVERWHELMING PHYSICAL ENERGY! VERY DANGEROUS!



GHOST-TRANS-

PARENT APPARITIONS WITH EMOTIONS, AUTONOMY AND PERSONALITY! SOME GOOD, SOME EVIL - JUST LIKE THE LIVING!



PHANTOMS

PHANTOMS ARE GHOSTS WHICH HAVE MANAGED TO REGAIN THEIR FULL PHYSICAL FORM. TYPICALLY, THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE QUITE DARK CHARACTERS TO EVEN ATTEMPT THIS



SOME GHOSTS LEARN THE ART OF POSSESSION

BY FORCING OUT A PERSON'S ECTOPLASM AND REPLACING IT! EXORCISM LITERAL DEPENDS ON HOW STUBBORN THE GHOST IS.



A SAFER WAY TO COMMUNICATE WITH APPARITIONS IS BY HOLDING A

SEANCE

YOU'LL NEED



FORM A CIRCLE SO THAT THE GHOST FEELS WELCOMED (AND KEEP IT DARK). SPEAK SLOWLY BUT NOT PATRONISINGLY SO. THEN JUST SAY HELLO! (OR BONJOUR FOR FRENCH GHOSTS!)

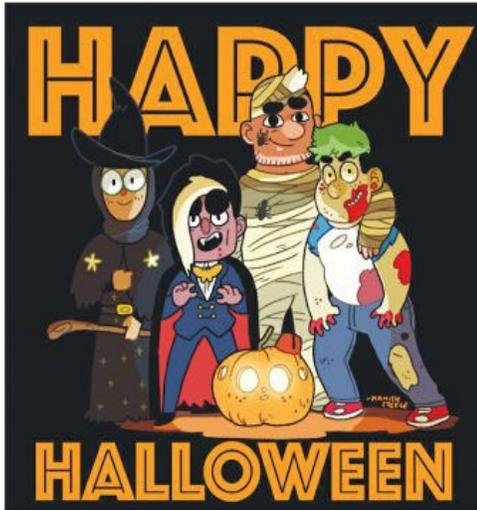


FROM THEIR POV, THE SEANCE SHOULD LOOK LIKE A BIG GATEWAY AND HOPEFULLY THEY'LL ALL WAIT THEIR TURN.



AND REMEMBER
BE NICE TO GHOSTS BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW... YOU MIGHT BE ONE TOMORROW...

SPECIAL HOLIDAY IMAGES



CHARACTER PLAYLIST COVERS



DWARF

REPRESENTING THE SEVENTH PLANE
THE LIVING HUMAN
BLOOD, SWEAT, ORGANS:
HE'S GOT 'EM ALL!

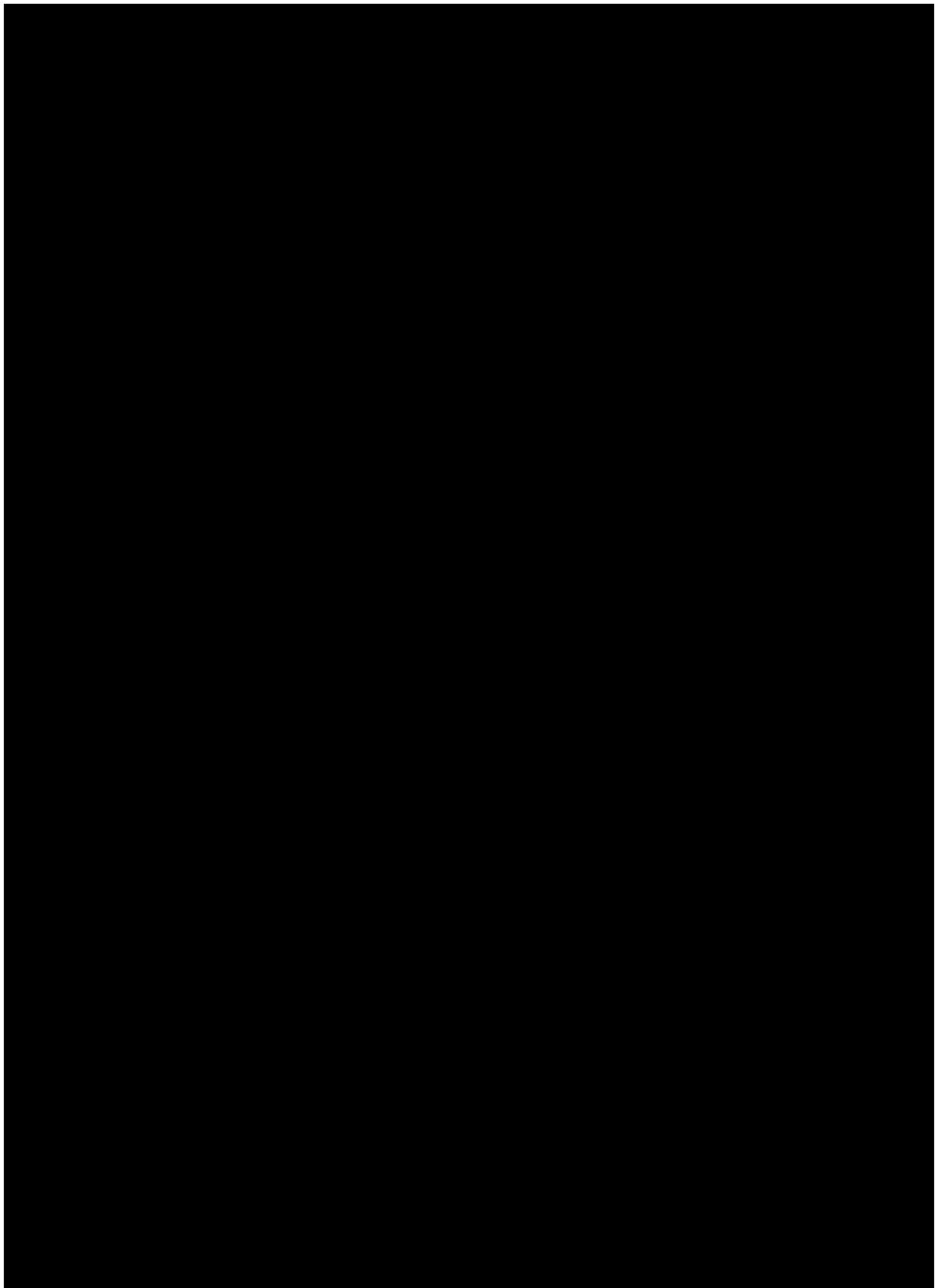
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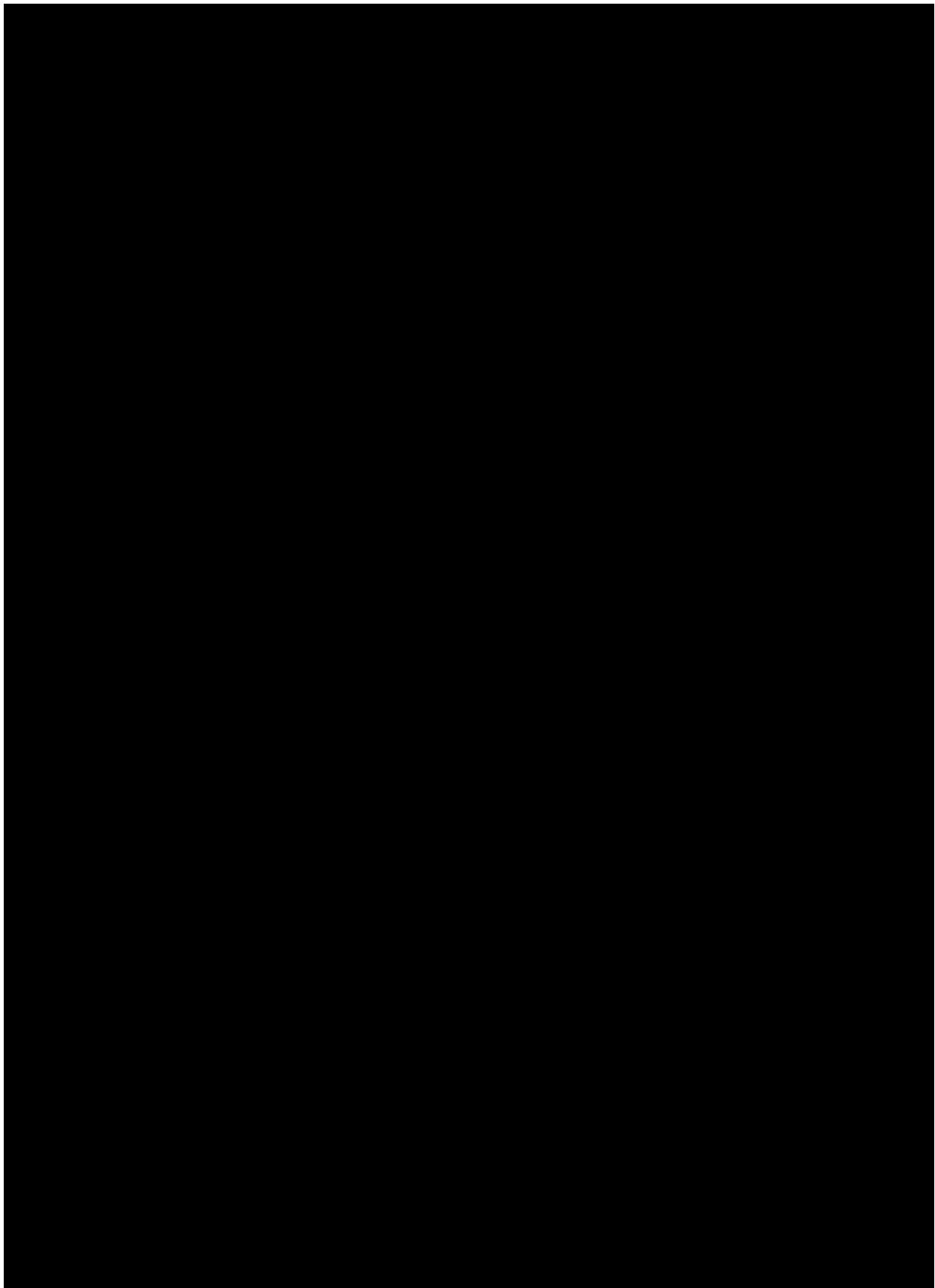
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