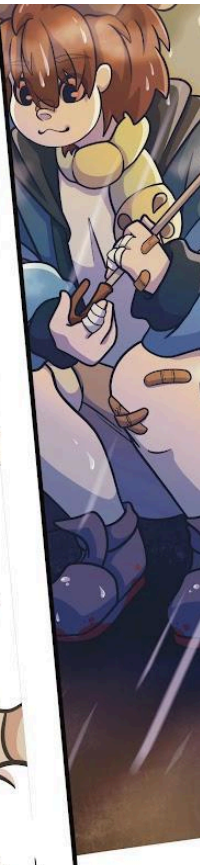




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GOAT ON THE LOOSE!





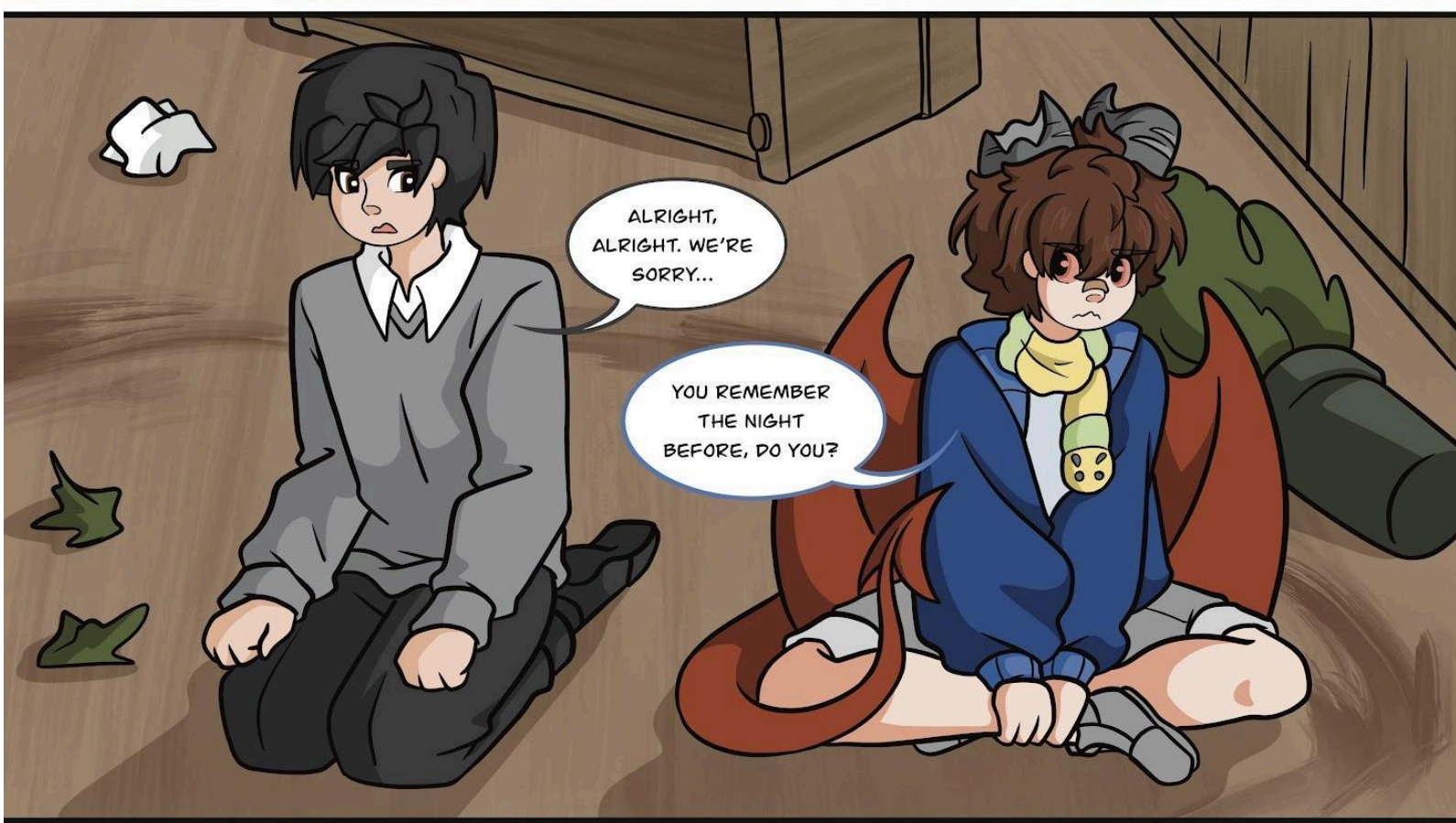


YOU DIDN'T
DO ANYTHING?
AT ALL?



ANGRY DAVID
IS SCARY...

WHAT HAPPENED
YESTERDAY?



ALRIGHT,
ALRIGHT. WE'RE
SORRY...

YOU REMEMBER
THE NIGHT
BEFORE, DO YOU?



THE...

NIGHT?



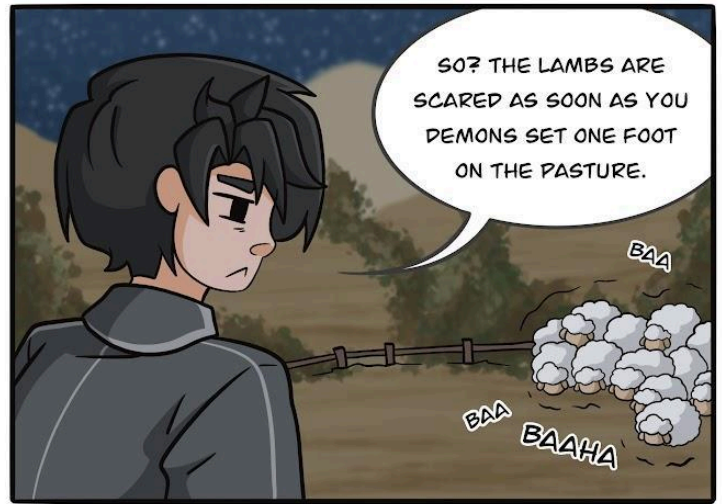
YOU MEAN,
WHEN LUCAS AND I WOKE UP
TO YOU TWO SNEAKING OUT TO
THE PASTURE?!

UHM...



WE'RE STUFFING THE LAMBS IN THE SHED.

SOMETHING SCARED THEM. MAYBE A WOLF.



SO? THE LAMBS ARE SCARED AS SOON AS YOU DEMONS SET ONE FOOT ON THE PASTURE.

BAA
BAA
BAAHA



YES, BUT LOOK AT GOTTFRIED!

HE'S IN PANIC!

YEAH, HE... HE'S SO SHOCKED...



WE JUST WANT TO GET THEM IN THE SHED FOR THE NIGHT SO NOTHING HAPPENS TO THEM.

COME ON, BOYS... IT'S EXTREMELY COLD. LET'S GO HOME.

NO!

NOT, WHEN OUR GOAT IS IN DANGER!





COME ON, HAGGIS!
BE A GOOD SHEEP AND...



..?



NO, DON'T
TELL ME...



Ugh
I KNEW IT...

HERE.

THANKS.



AAMON,
BAEL!

FSSS...



BOOM

CRACK

I GOT ONE
FOR YOU TOO.



AAMON?
WHAT IS IT?

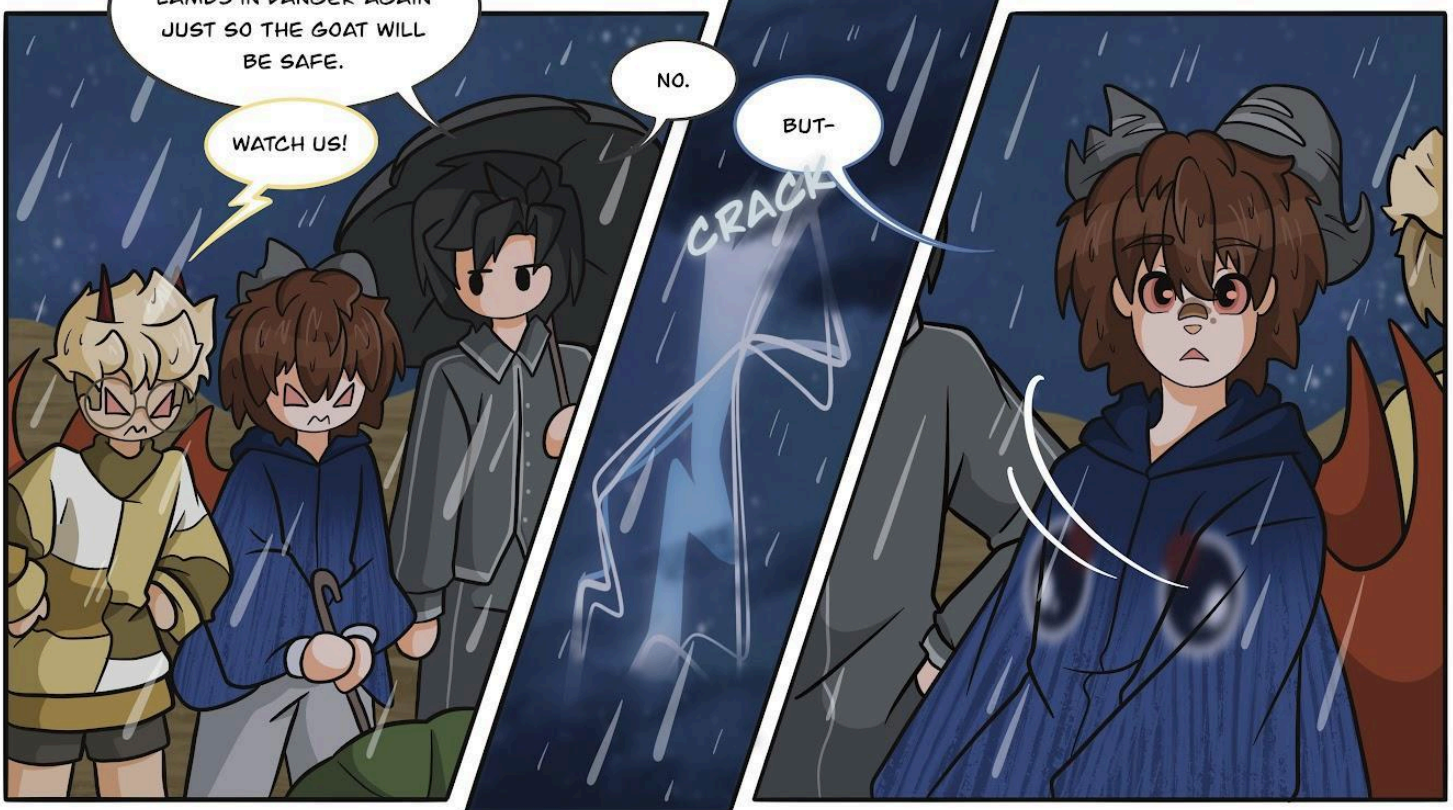


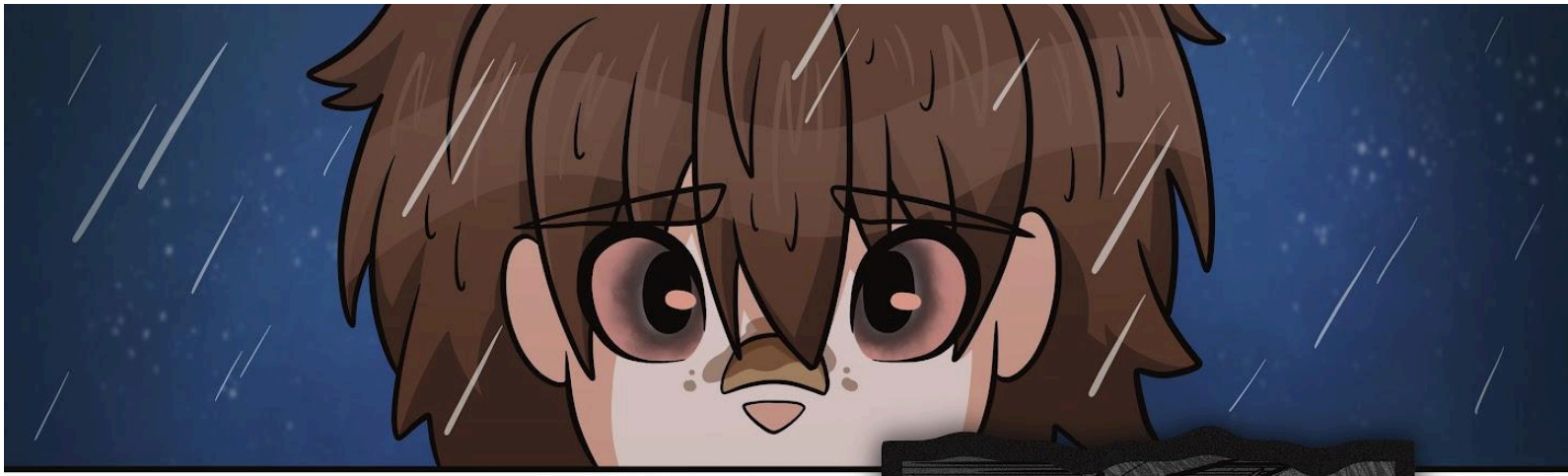
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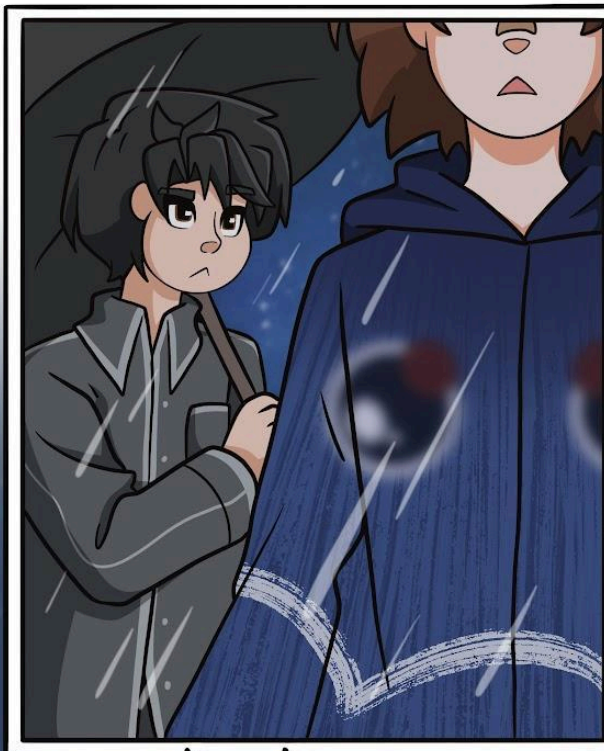
THANKS,
MOM.

VERY FUNNY.
I'M NOT-

BAEL!
STOP PLAYING AROUND.
YOU'RE GONNA CATCH
A COLD!

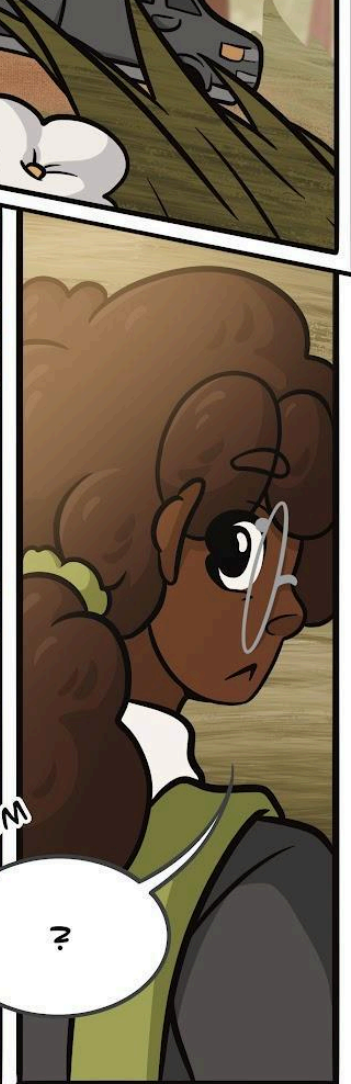


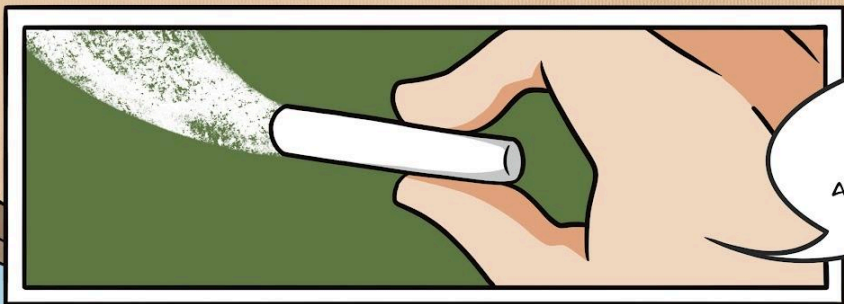




NO, PLEASE...
I PROMISE YOU, HE'S GONNA BE FINE, OKAY?
LET'S GO HOME.







EDIAN ANGELS AND HUMANS HAVE TO VISIT A SCHOOL FOR AT LEAST TEN YEARS, FROM AGE SEVEN TO SEVENTEEN. AFTER THAT THEY EITHER ENTER THE LABOUR MARKET OR SIGN UP FOR A.D.

WHAT IS A.D.?



"ADVANCED DEGREE". A NATIONWIDE YEARLY TEST THAT QUALIFIES YOU TO GO TO UNIVERSITY.



IN THEORY EVERYONE, WHO IS ABOVE THE AGE OF SIXTEEN CAN TAKE THIS TEST, BUT PRACTICALLY MOST SCHOOLS LET THEIR STUDENTS GO THROUGH TWO ADDITIONAL SCHOOLYEARS THAT FOCUSES ON PREPARING THEM FOR THE EXAM.

THE REQUIREMENTS TO SIGN UP ARE PRETTY LOOSE, SO ADULTS CAN DO A.D. RETROACTIVELY.



SO THERE IS THE GAP. THE RULES ARE LOOSE, SO YOU CAN SIGN US DEMONS UP FOR A.D., EVEN WITHOUT TEN YEARS OF EDUCATION.

WAIT, YOU THREE DO EXTRA SCHOOL ON YOUR FREE WILL?





IT'S NOT GONNA BE EASY.
MOST OF YOU'VE GOT A
CRUCIAL LATE START IN YOUR
EDUCATION AFTER ALL. SO I
NEED YOU TO-

BOOM



UH...

EVE?



WHAT?



WE'VE GOT
A PINK PROBLEM
DOWN THERE.



I'M THE PINK PROBLEM, I SUPPOSE?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?



OH, THE LAST TIME I VISITED WAS QUITE UNPLEASANT BECAUSE OF HEROD, SO I THOUGHT I COULD STOP BY AGAIN.

OUT OF NOWHERE...



WELL, I THOUGHT THERE ARE SOME SERIOUS DISCUSSION ABOUT A SERIAL KILLER AND LEFTIST EXTREMIS GOING ON IN THE PARLIAMENT YOU SHOULD TAKE PART IN?

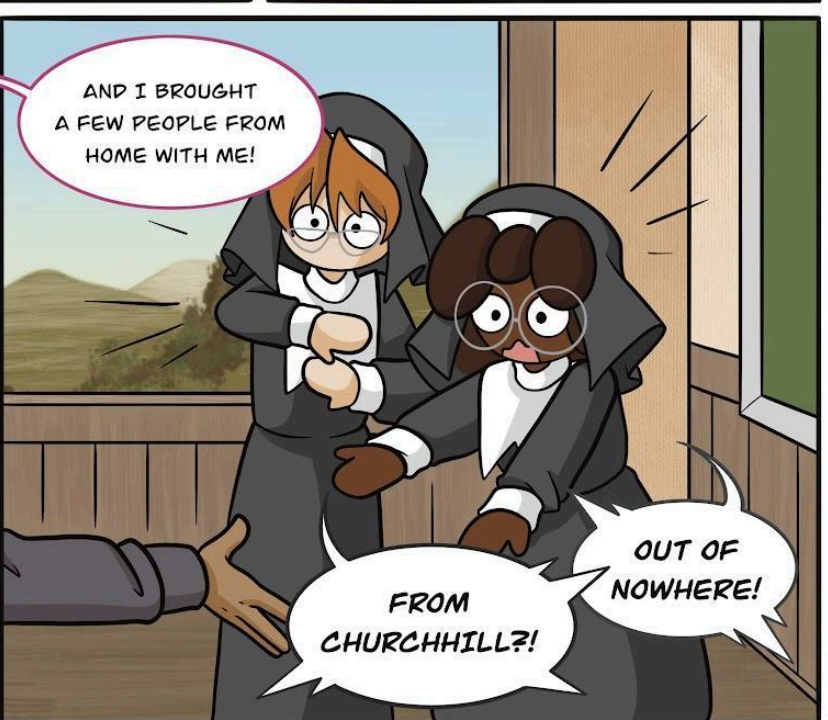
OH, YEAH...

THAT DOESN'T HAVE TO CONCERN YOU.



I HAVING SOME FREE TIME RIGHT NOW, SO I THOUGHT I'D USE IT TO POLISH EBS' - WELL - "QUESTIONABLE" IMAGE.

OUT OF NOWHERE...



AND I BROUGHT A FEW PEOPLE FROM HOME WITH ME!

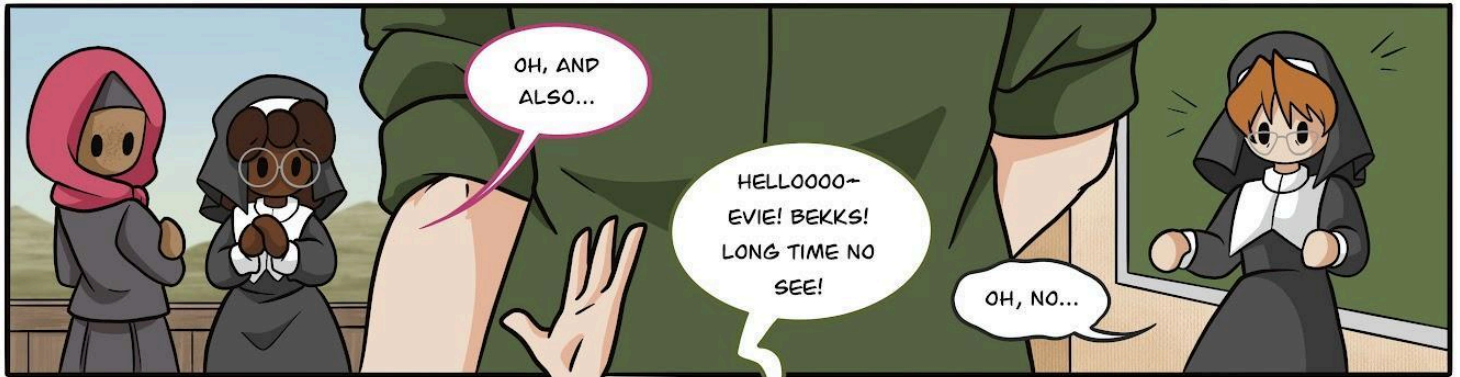
FROM CHURCHHILL?!

OUT OF NOWHERE!



YES!

THEY'RE MOSTLY ANGELS FROM THE PARLIAMENT, EVEN MY OLD MENTOR IS AMONG THEM. MAKING A GOOD IMPRESSION ON THEM WOULD BE A HUGE ADVANTAGE.



OH, AND ALSO...

HELLOOOO~
EVIE! BEKKS!
LONG TIME NO
SEE!

OH, NO...

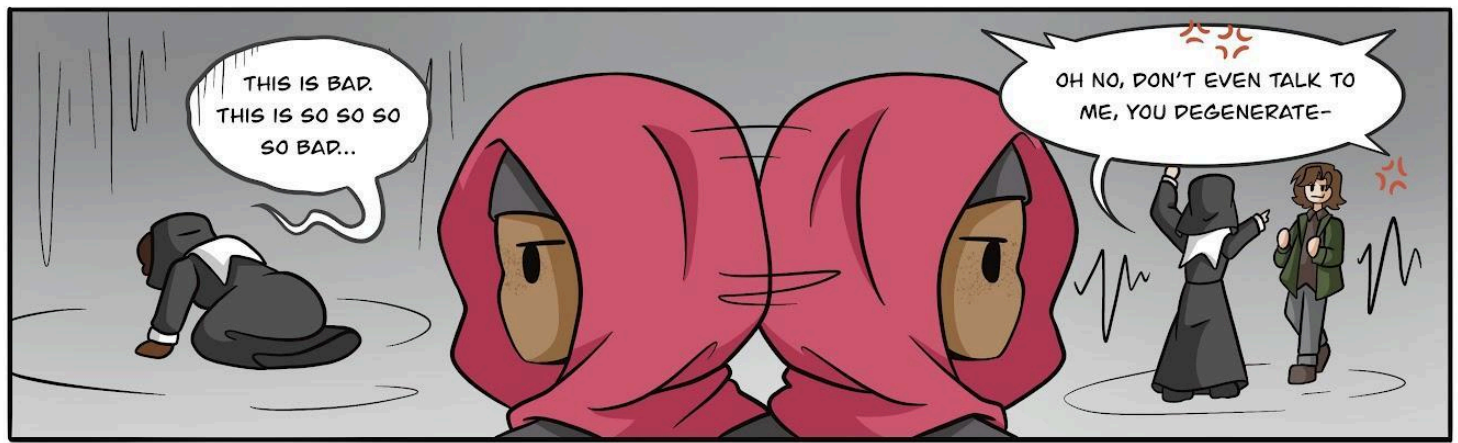


I ASKED JOHANNA TO WRITE ANOTHER ARTICLE ABOUT EBS. WE NEED A LITTLE MORE GOOD PUBLICITY, SINCE THE MEDIA STARTED TEARING US APART AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY.

OKAY, THIS IS CROSSING A LINE!
YOU CAN INVITE WHOLE CHURCHHILL
ON OUR GROUNDS, BUT NOT THIS
CHAOTIC NEWSPAPER-BEAST!

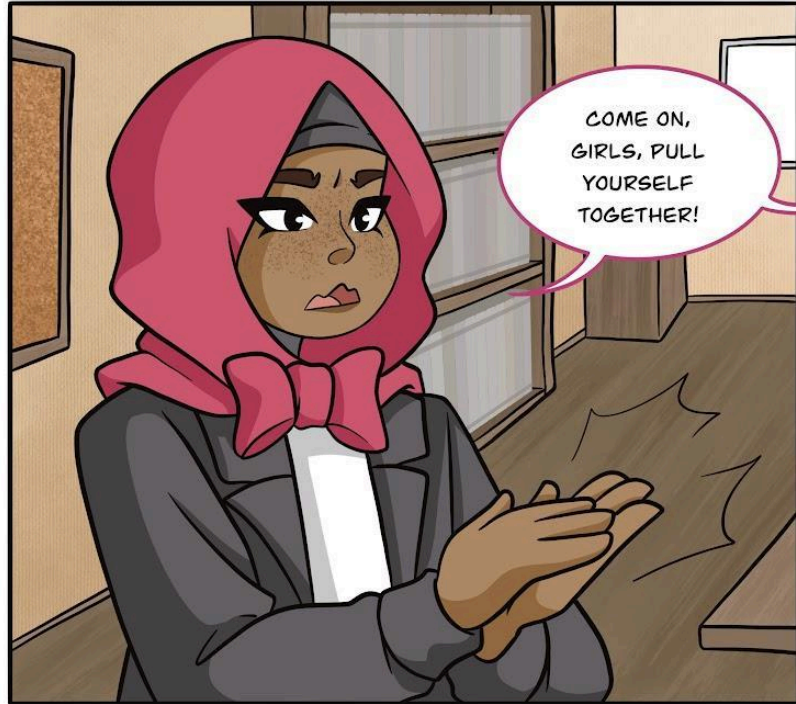
AWW, WHY
ARE YOU SO
UNHAPPY TO SEE
ME?
I EXPECTED A
WARMER
WELCOME.

ESPECIALLY AFTER
THE LAST TIME WE
TALKED, BEKKS.



THIS IS BAD.
THIS IS SO SO SO
SO BAD...

OH NO, DON'T EVEN TALK TO
ME, YOU DEGENERATE-



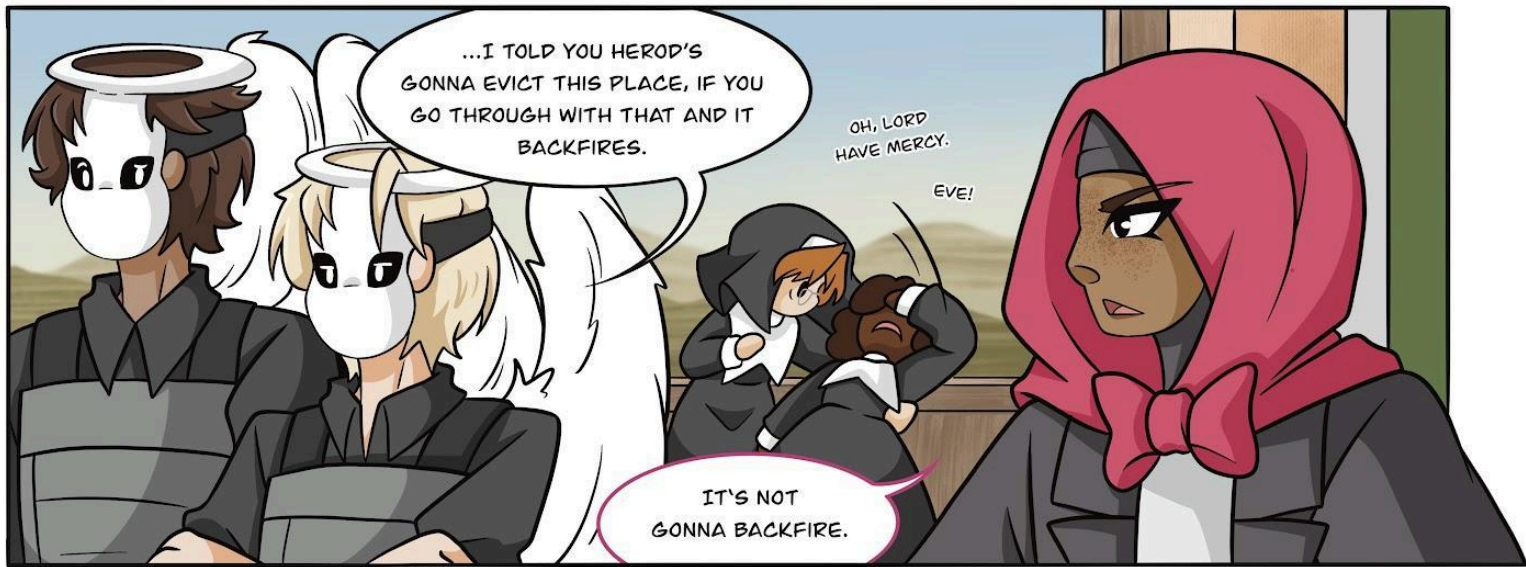
COME ON,
GIRLS, PULL
YOURSELF
TOGETHER!



THE PEOPLE OF
EDEN ARE HATING OUR PROJECT!
IT'S IMPORTANT TO SHOW THEM
EVERYTHING OUR DEMONS LEARNED
TO GAIN MORE SUPPO...



YOU LEARNED
SOMETHING,
DIDN'T YOU?

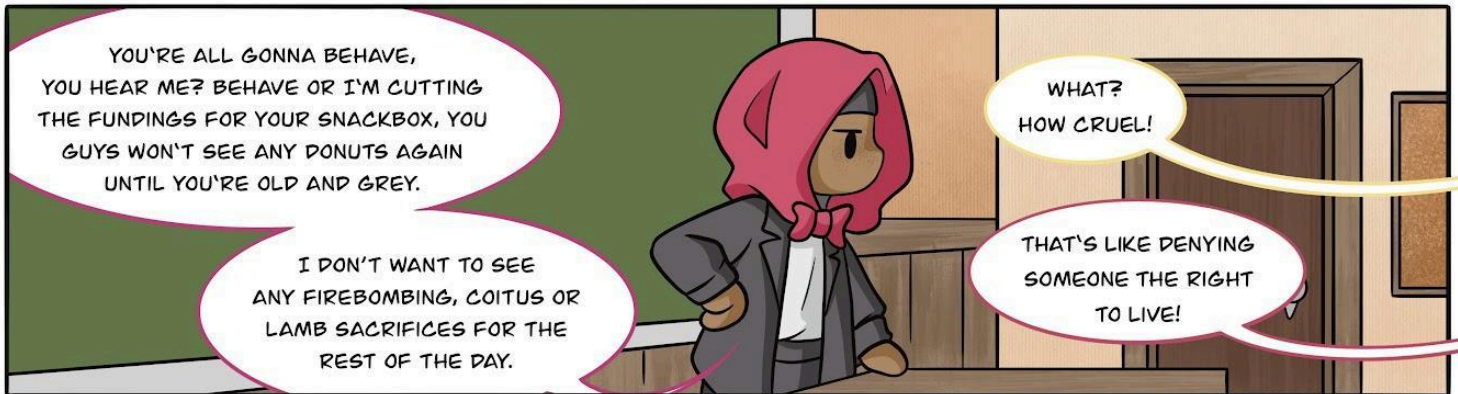


...I TOLD YOU HEROD'S GONNA EVICT THIS PLACE, IF YOU GO THROUGH WITH THAT AND IT BACKFIRES.

OH, LORD HAVE MERCY.

EVE!

IT'S NOT GONNA BACKFIRE.



YOU'RE ALL GONNA BEHAVE, YOU HEAR ME? BEHAVE OR I'M CUTTING THE FUNDINGS FOR YOUR SNACKBOX, YOU GUYS WON'T SEE ANY DONUTS AGAIN UNTIL YOU'RE OLD AND GREY.

I DON'T WANT TO SEE ANY FIREBOMBING, COITUS OR LAMB SACRIFICES FOR THE REST OF THE DAY.

WHAT? HOW CRUEL!

THAT'S LIKE DENYING SOMEONE THE RIGHT TO LIVE!



OH, JESUS...

UHM... AAMON?

WHAT DO WE DO ABOUT "THE THING"?



WHAT... THING?

OH SHIT, THE THING!

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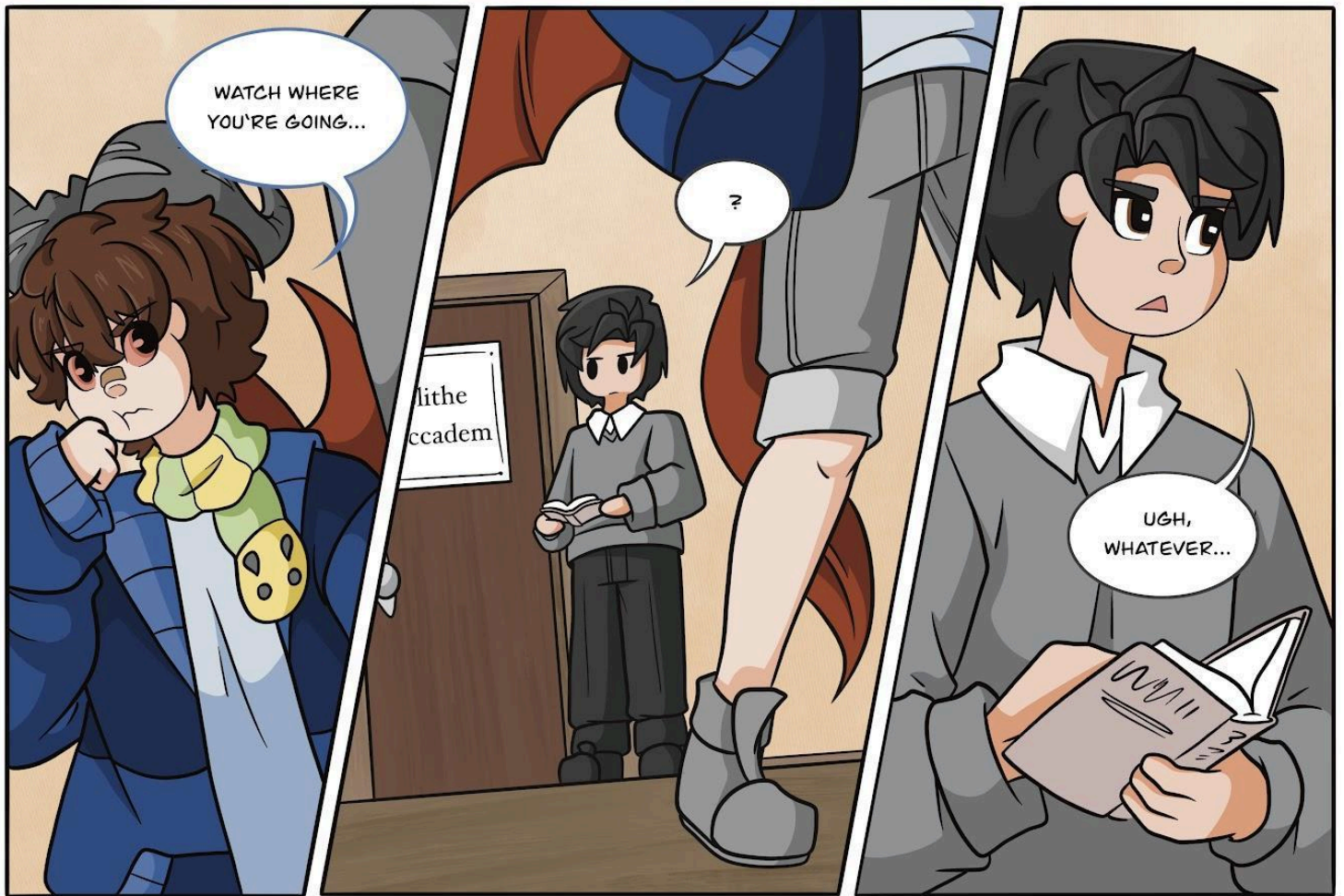


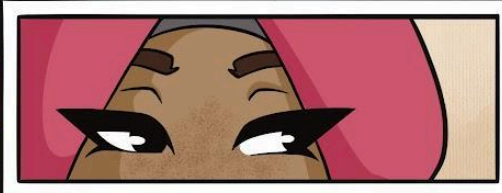
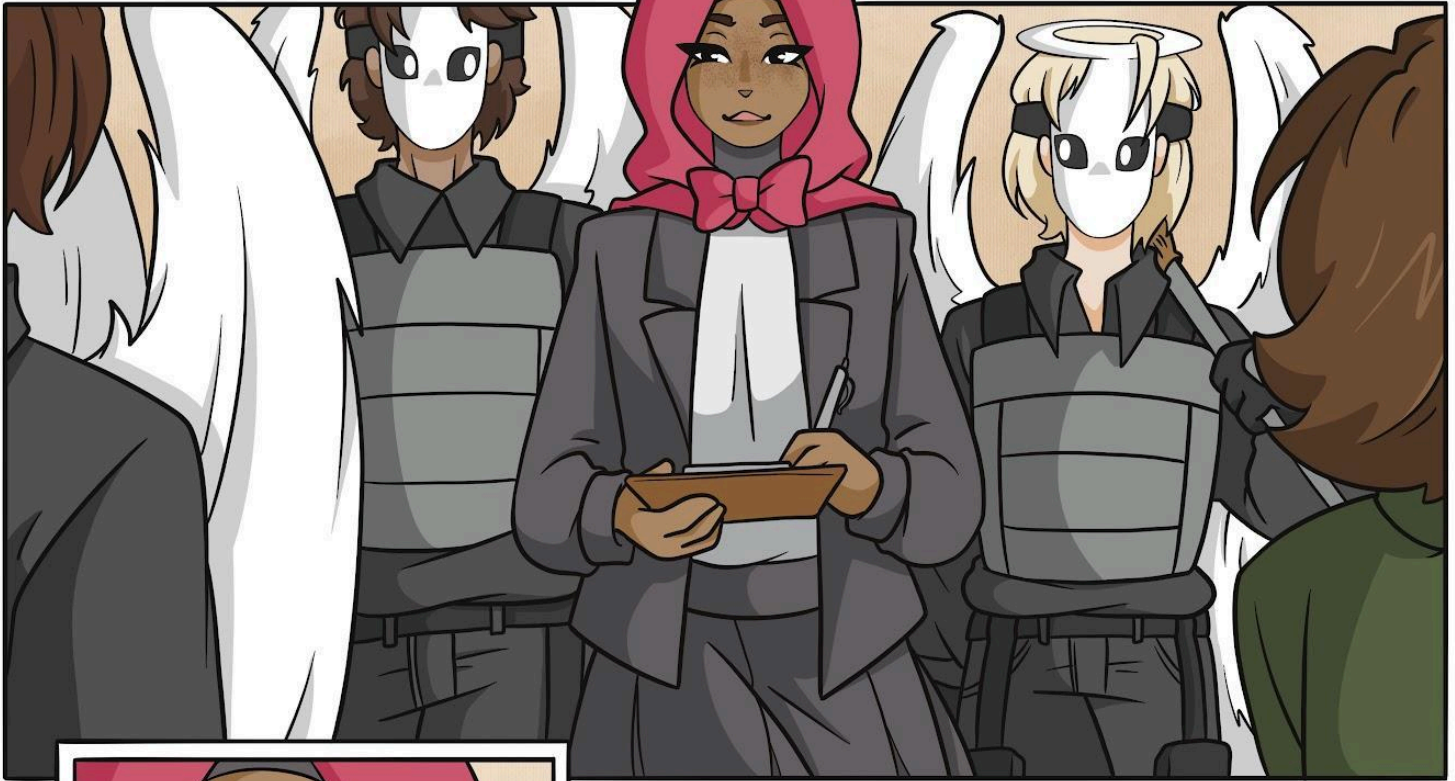
WHAT ARE
WE GOING TO DO
NOW?

NOTHING.
OUR DORMS ARE
PRIVATE, SO WE DON'T
HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT
IT AS LONG AS HE
STAYS HERE.

I'M GONNA TAKE CARE OF THE
STUFF OUTSIDE, YOU LOOK AFTER
HIM IN HERE, WE'RE GONNA SNUCK
HIM OUT AS SOON AS THIS PRIGGISH
CHURCHHILL-FOLK IS GONE AND
NOBODY WILL EVER FIND OUT.



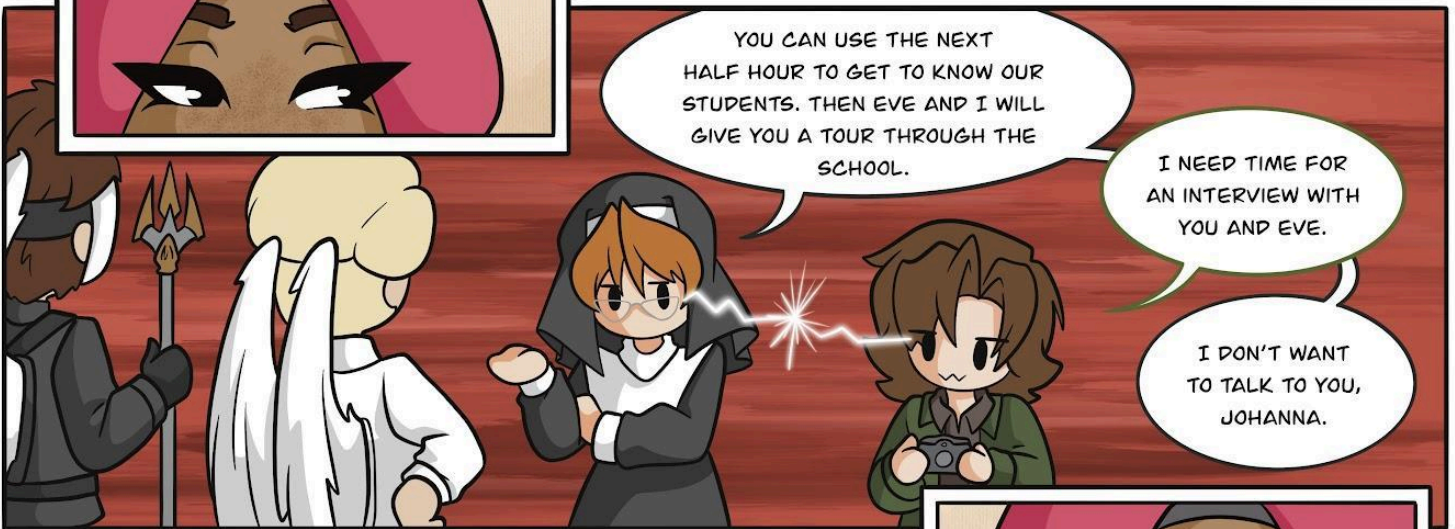




YOU CAN USE THE NEXT HALF HOUR TO GET TO KNOW OUR STUDENTS. THEN EVE AND I WILL GIVE YOU A TOUR THROUGH THE SCHOOL.

I NEED TIME FOR AN INTERVIEW WITH YOU AND EVE.

I DON'T WANT TO TALK TO YOU, JOHANNA.



WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A LITTLE TRIP TO THE OLD HOME AND VISIT ME?

IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN, SIR-

OH, IT IS, MY DEAR! I MISSED YOU! YOU HAVEN'T BEEN IN CHURCHHILL FOR AGES.

ELENORE AND YOU REALLY WORK TOO MUCH.





SO, YOU DON'T WANNA TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH, BEKKS?

IT'S REBEKKA FOR YOU.

AW, SO HARSH...



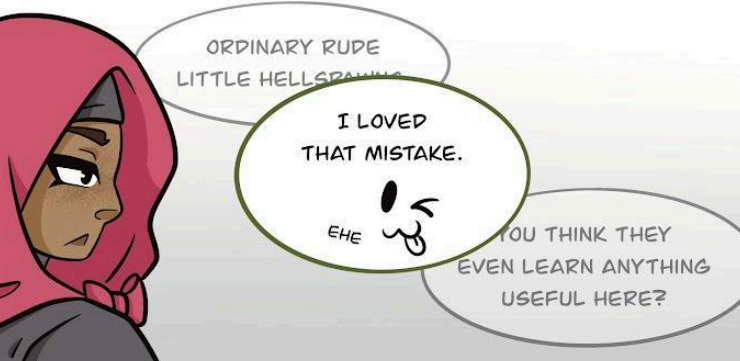
I JUST WANNA KNOW IF YOU CAME CLEAR WITH EVE AND-



THERE IS NOTHING TO COME CLEAR ABOUT, OKAY? IT DIDN'T MEAN ANYTHING. WE WERE BOTH DRUNK AND LONELY AND MADE A HUGE MISTAKE, OKAY?

THOSE ARE THE CBS DEMONS?

PLEASE STAY CLOSE, SIR.



ORDINARY RUDE LITTLE HELLSPAWN

I LOVED THAT MISTAKE. EHE

YOU THINK THEY EVEN LEARN ANYTHING USEFUL HERE?



WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME A LITTLE ABOUT YOUR STUDENTS?

OH! SURE! THEY'RE ALL VERY SWEET, NICE CHILDREN, IT'S A BLESSING TO CARE FOR THEM! I-



SAY, IS YOUR BOY STILL MAKING SO MUCH TROUBLE?

UHM... AAMON? HE... UHM... YOU KNOW, HE'S JUST... EHHH...



4 HOUR DRIVE FOR NOTHING

HE DOESN'T SEEM LIKE HE MANAGED TO... UH... YOU KNOW, CALM DOWN A LITTLE?



THEY'RE CLEARLY WASTING THEIR TIME.



CUT THAT OUT.



AAMON, HOW ABOUT YOU SHOW THE VISITORS YOUR CATERPILLARS? OR SOME OF THE SCIENCE BOOKS IN YOUR ROOM?

WHAT?!

...REALLY, THE BUG BOOKS?

YOU WANT THEM TO LOOK AT AAMONS WANKING MATERIAL?



AZIZI, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE OF THE DEMONS WHO DOES ANYTHING EDUCATIONAL IN HIS FREETIME. LEND ME A HAND, PLEASE.

I... I DON'T WANT A BUNCH OF STRANGE ANGELS IN MY ROOM.

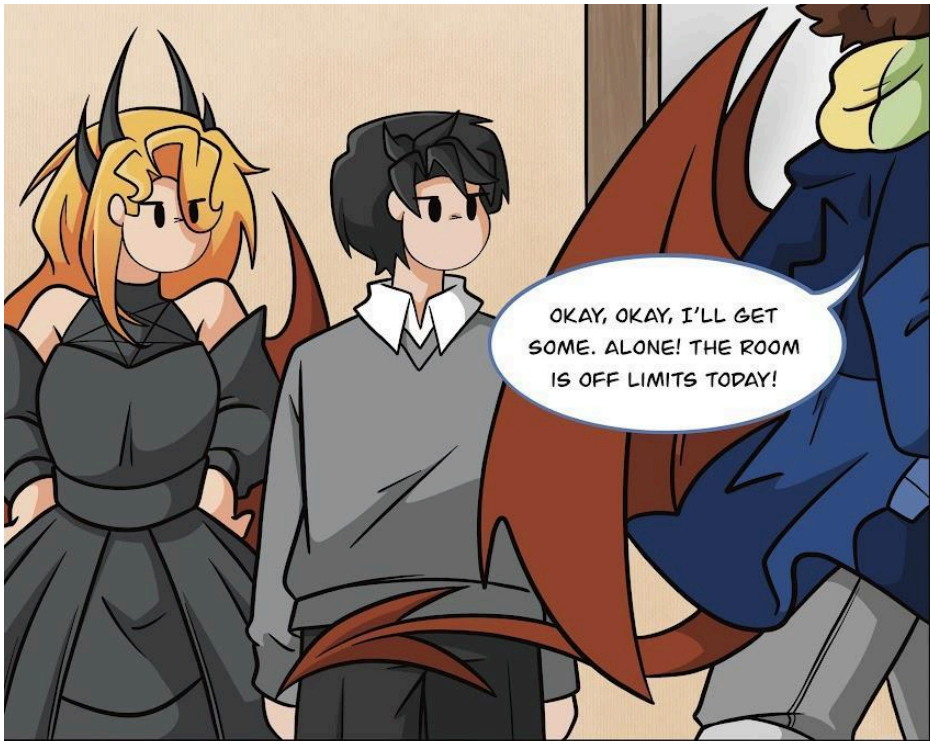


I CAN BRING SOME OF THE STUFF IN THE CAFETERIA FOR YOU.

YES, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

WHAT? NO!





OKAY, OKAY, I'LL GET SOME. ALONE! THE ROOM IS OFF LIMITS TODAY!

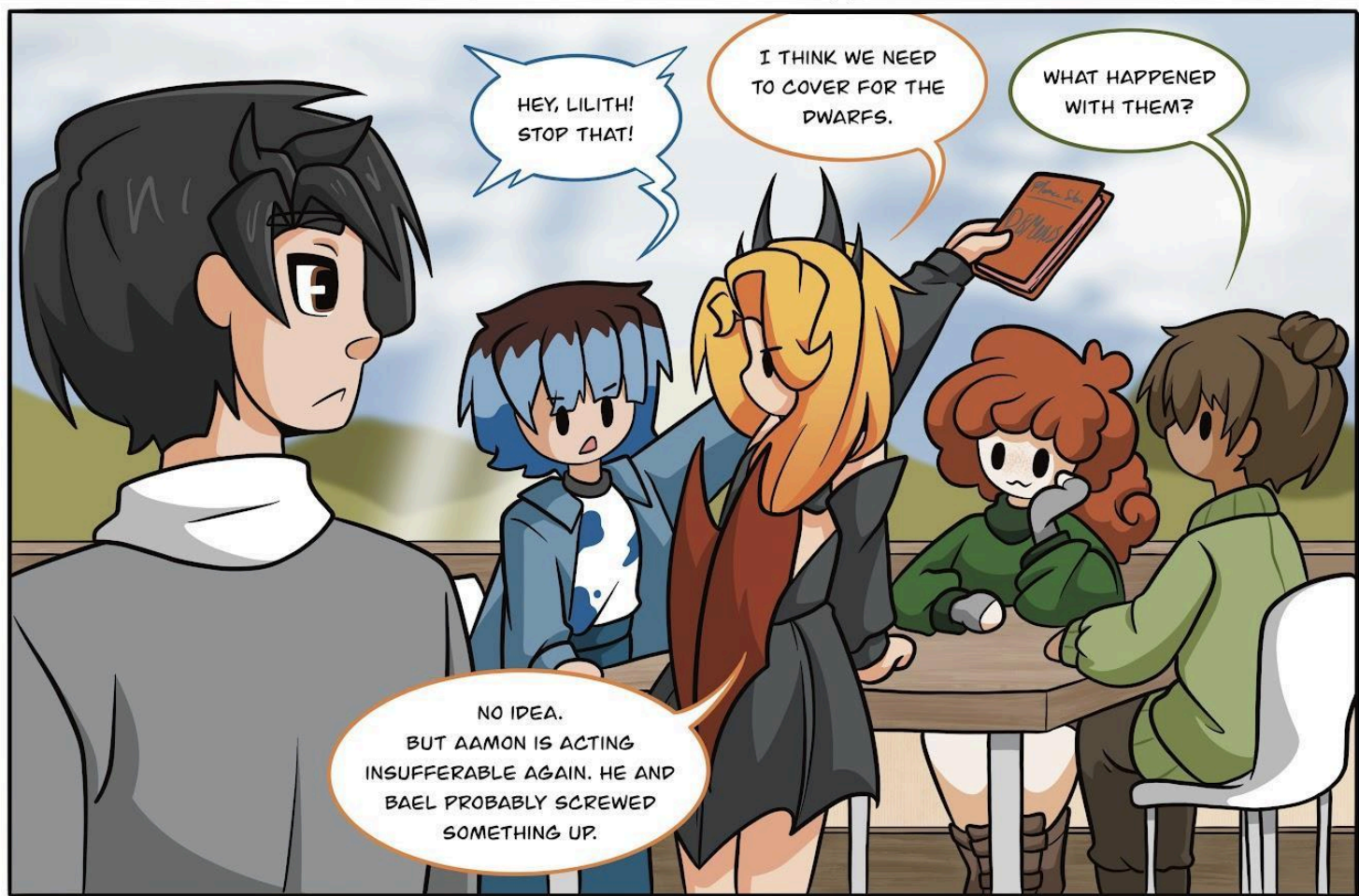


HE DID SOMETHING.

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I HARDLY CARE AS LONG AS HE DOES A BETTER JOB AT HIDING IT IN FRONT OF THE PEOPLE FROM CHURCHHILL...

UGH...



HEY, LILITH! STOP THAT!

I THINK WE NEED TO COVER FOR THE DWARFS.

WHAT HAPPENED WITH THEM?

NO IDEA. BUT AAMON IS ACTING INSUFFERABLE AGAIN. HE AND BAEAL PROBABLY SCREWED SOMETHING UP.



YOU KNOW WHAT, I DON'T WANNA KNOW. WHAT DO WE DO?







...WHAT?!

WE BROUGHT HIM
HERE AFTER THE
PANIC AT THE PASTURE
LAST NIGHT.

AND THEN HE
JUST
DISAPPEARED.

HOW CAN YOU LOSE A
GOAT? WHAT IS WRONG
WITH YOU TWO?

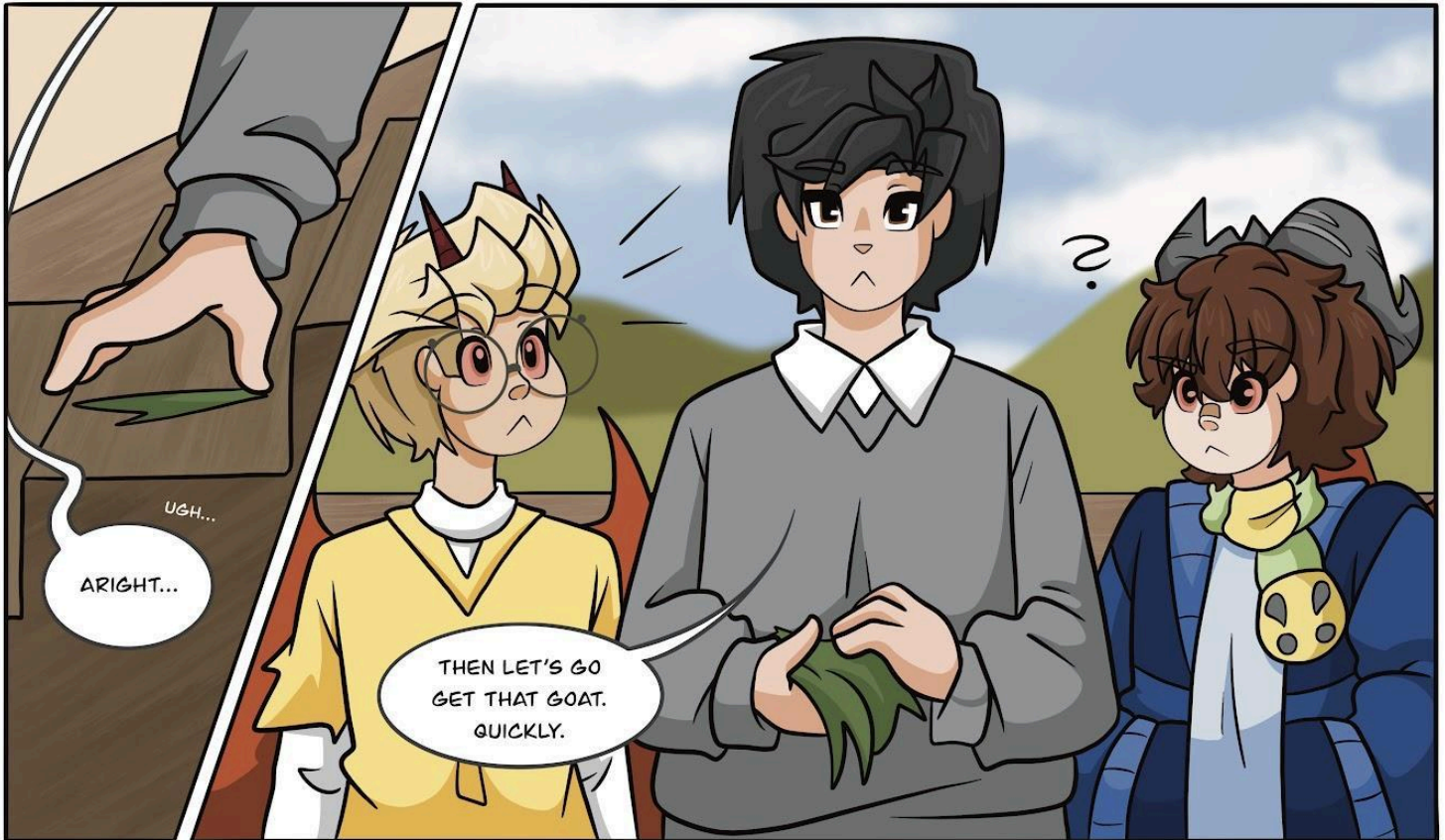
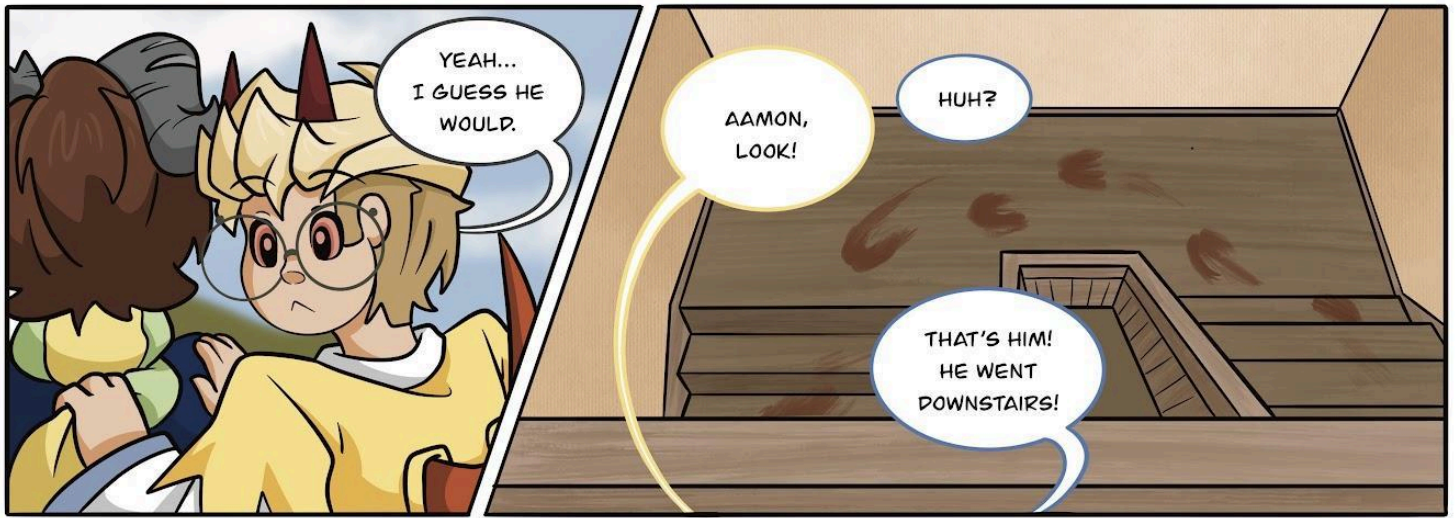
I'M SORRY...

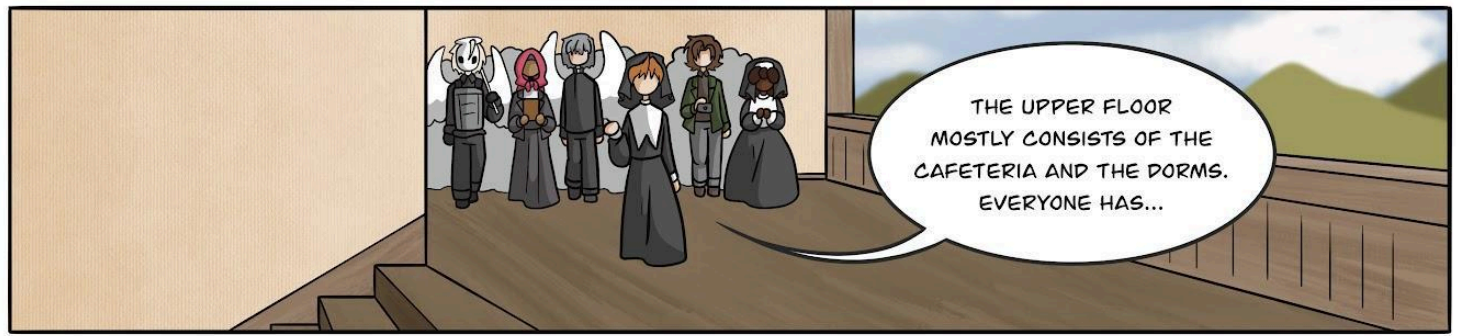
THIS IS SUCH A STUPID
THING TO LOSE THE SCHOOL OVER!
YOU BETTER FIND THAT BEAST,
BEFORE ANYONE ELSE DO-

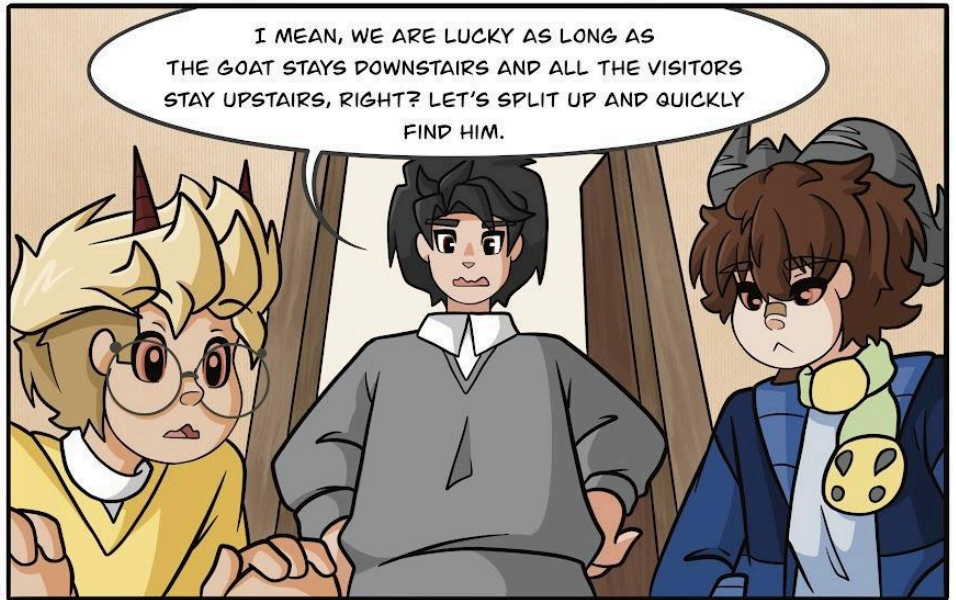
IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE ALREADY SEARCHING
FOR HIM, IS IT? INSTEAD OF LECTURING US, YOU COULD
AS WELL JUST HELP US FIND HIM.

WHY SHOULD I?
IT'S NOT MY FAULT.

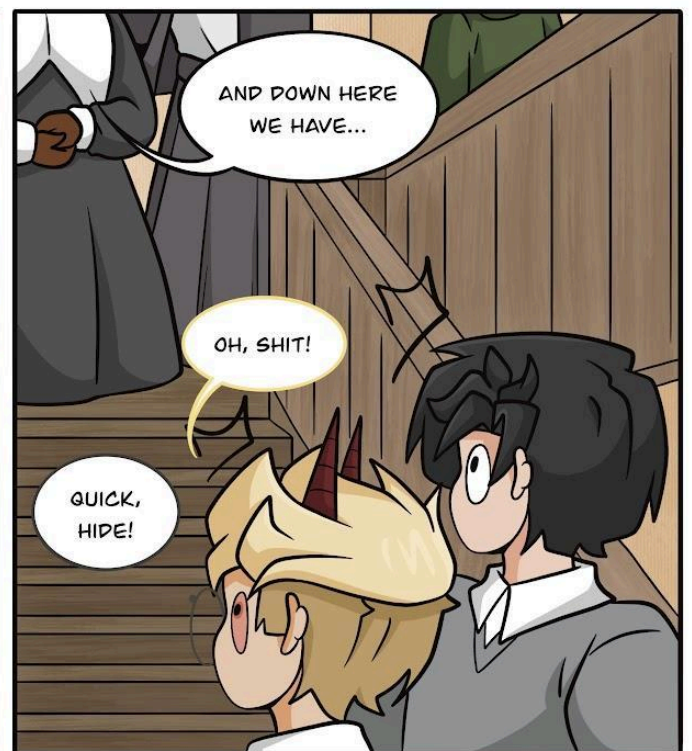
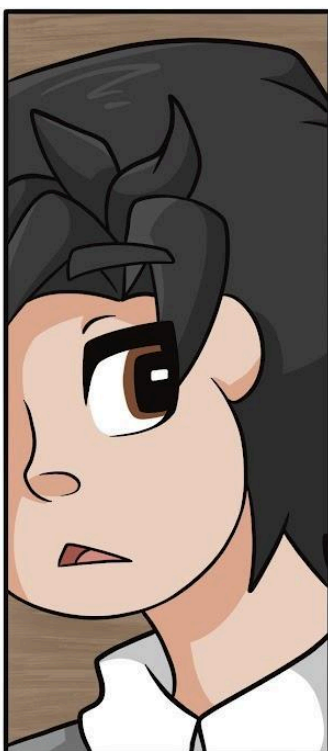
DAVID WOULD
HELP US.

















BAHAHAHA!
BAHHHH!!!

BAHAHAHA!
BAHHHH!!!
BAHAHAHA!



OKAY, OKAY...
UHM...

HOW DO I GET
YOU BACK DOWN HERE
NOW?



THIS IS THE LIBRARY.
THE STUDENTS MOSTLY COME
HERE TO LEARN AND-



?!



UH... HI, EVE...

...WHOSE CHILD DESTROYED THE LIBRARY?

UH, EXCUSE ME! HE BELONGS TO ME.



YES, THE LIBRARY IS A LITTLE MESSY, BE... BECAUSE THE STUDENTS ARE READING SO MUCH! THERE IS NO TIME TO CLEAN UP, BECAUSE THEY'RE SO...

INTERESTED IN... BOOKS.



LOOK AT ME.

NO, THANK YOU.

AAMON, I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING. LOOK. AT. ME.

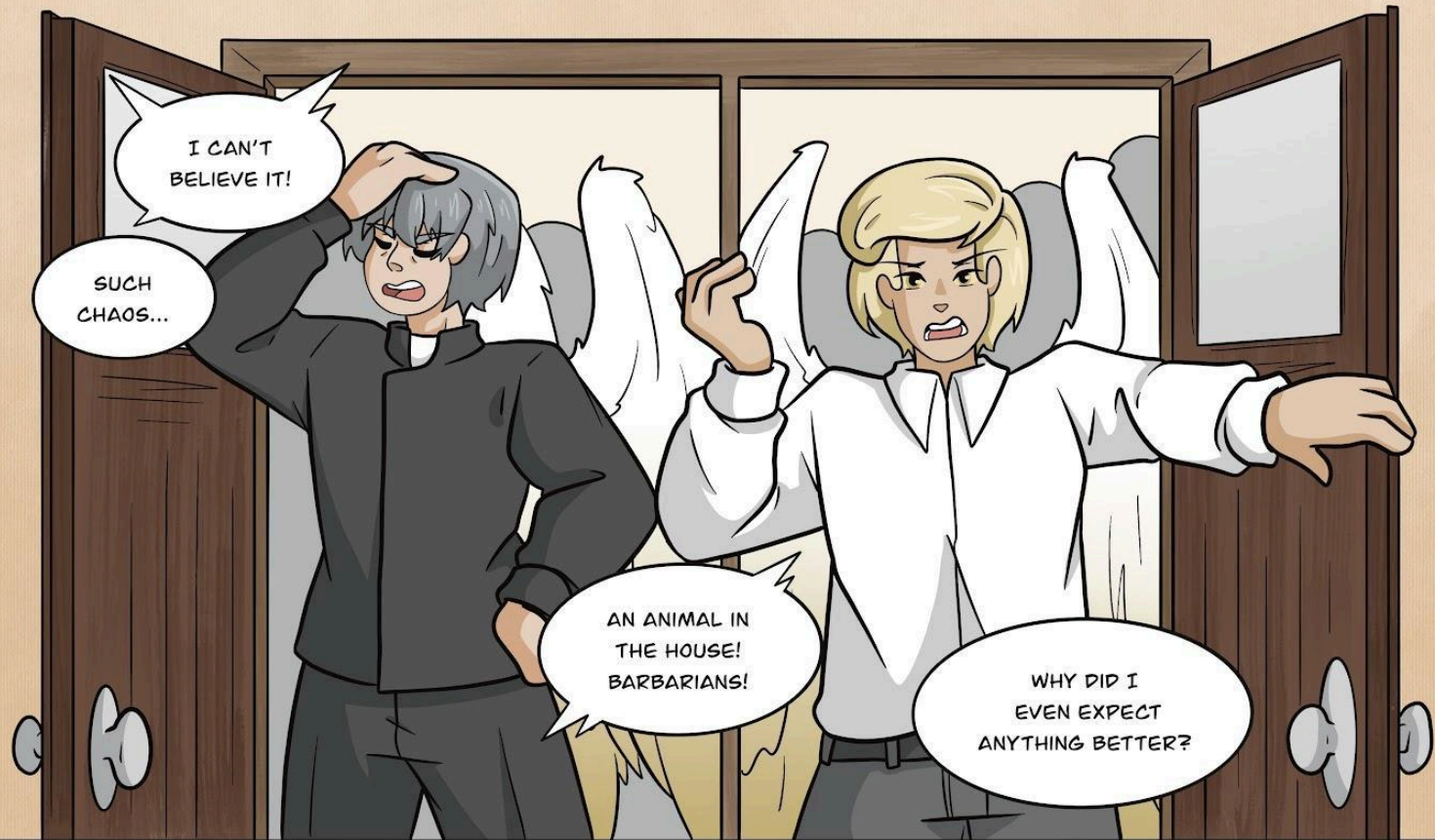
SWEETIE, WE HAVE ANGELS WITH US...

WHAT MAKES YOU THINK NOW IS A GOOD TIME FOR STUFF LIKE THIS?









I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

SUCH CHAOS...

AN ANIMAL IN THE HOUSE!
BARBARIANS!

WHY DID I EVEN EXPECT ANYTHING BETTER?



NO, WAIT!
COME ON, IT'S JUST A GOAT.
CAN'T WE JUST...

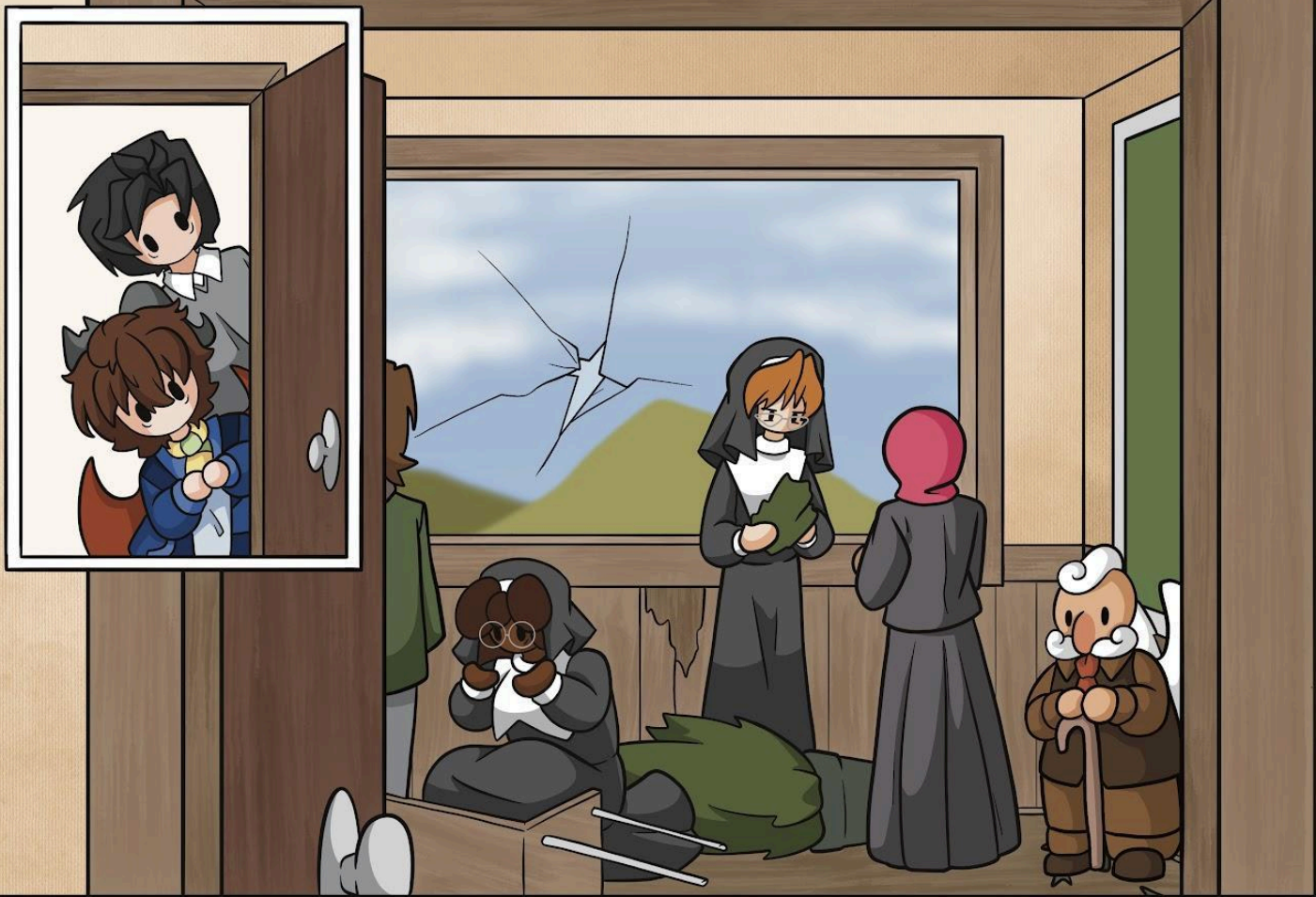


BOY, SOMETIMES I COULD JUST...

UGH!



BOOM





I DIDN'T...

OH, YEAH. LET ME GUESS, "IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT"? YOU'RE NEVER TO BLAME.

NO, I...



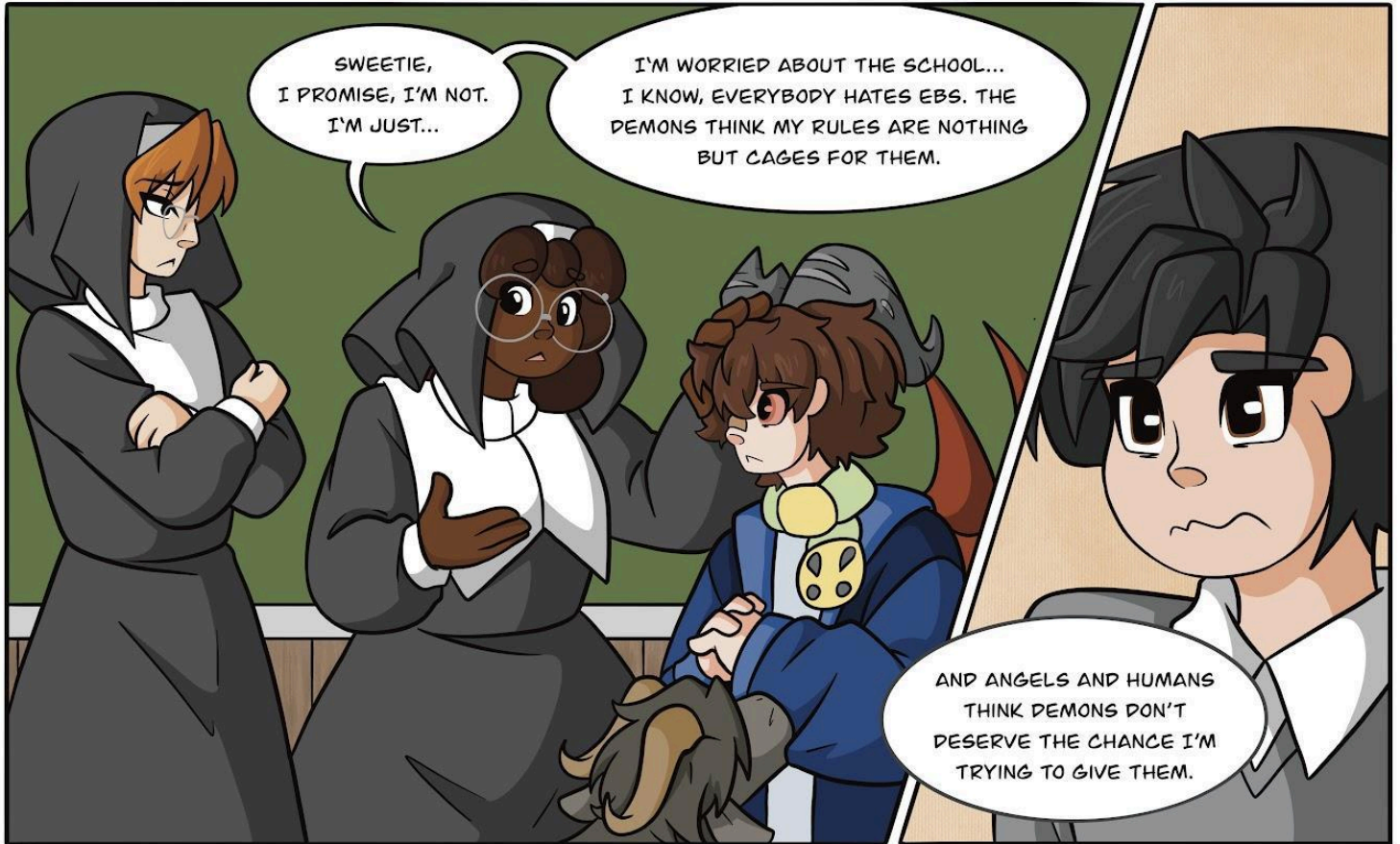
EVE, I'M SORRY.



ARE YOU MAD?

...NO, DON'T WORRY.

YOU'RE DISAPPOINTED.



SWEETIE, I PROMISE, I'M NOT. I'M JUST...

I'M WORRIED ABOUT THE SCHOOL... I KNOW, EVERYBODY HATES EBS. THE DEMONS THINK MY RULES ARE NOTHING BUT CAGES FOR THEM.

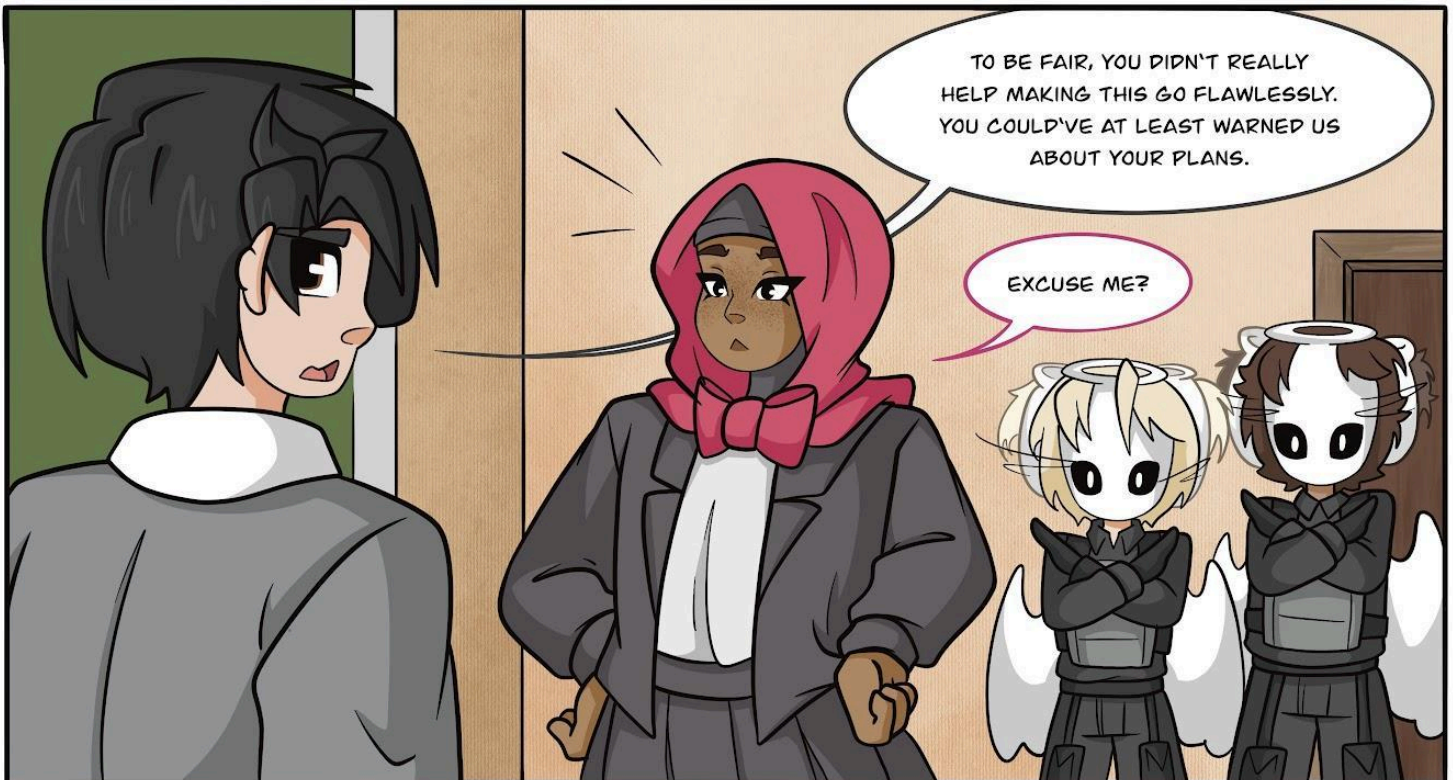
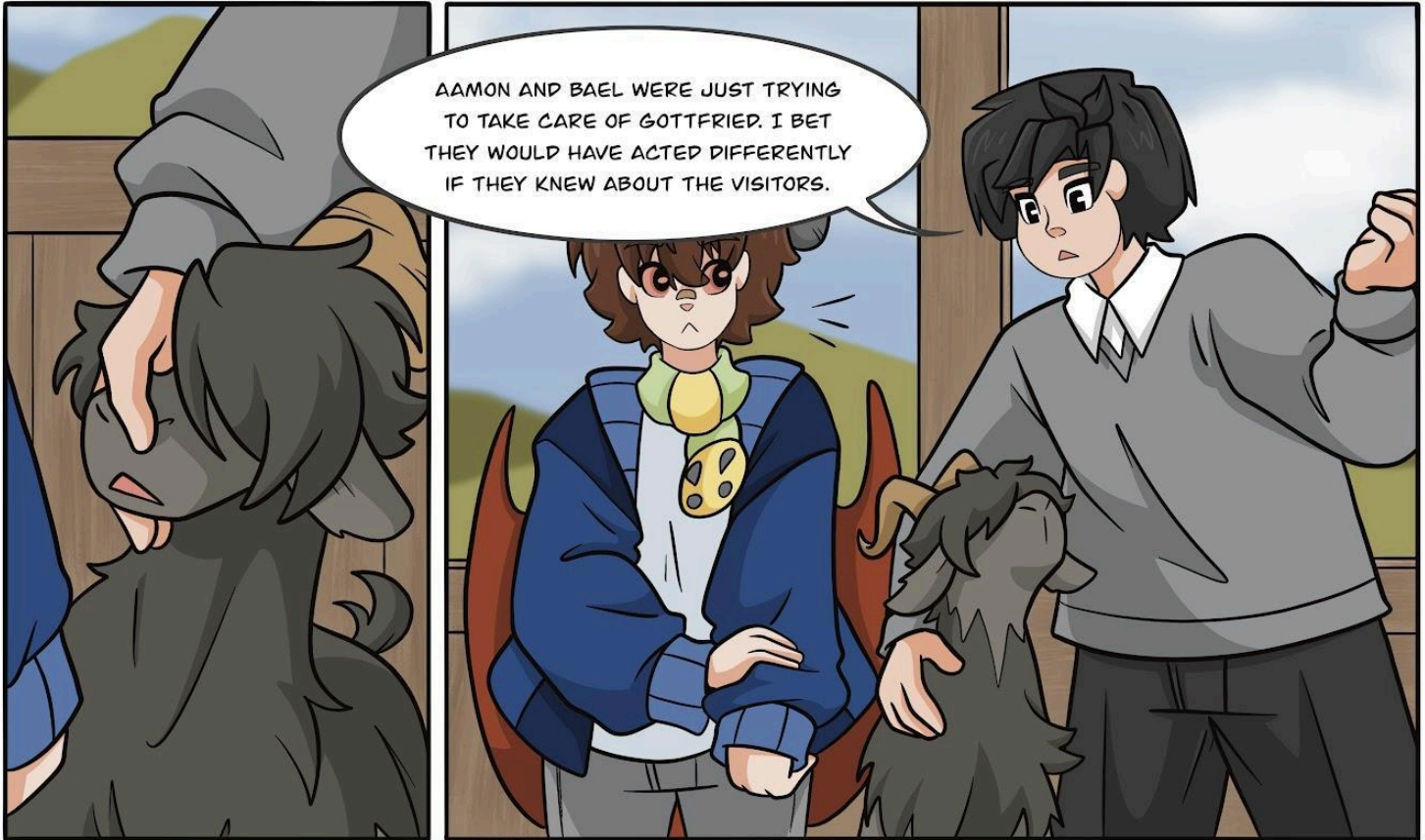
AND ANGELS AND HUMANS THINK DEMONS DON'T DESERVE THE CHANCE I'M TRYING TO GIVE THEM.



BUT I FOUGHT SO HARD TO OPEN THIS PLACE AND I'M TRYING TO MAKE THIS A HOME FOR YOU TWO. I DON'T WANT TO LOSE IT AGAIN SO EASILY.



LORE, I'M SORRY. WE TRIED TO TALK TO THEM, BUT THEY'RE ALL READY TO LEAVE





WHAT? WHAT I'M SAYING IS RIGHT.

AND EVE ISN'T TO BLAME, SO PLEASE DON'T LET THE OTHERS PUNISH HER FOR OUR MISTAKES. SHE LOVES THE SCHOOL AND DOES SUCH A GOOD JOB TAKING CARE OF US.

YES! I'M JUST STUPID AND SCREW OVER THAT FOR SUCH A RIDICULOUS REASON. AND I'M SO, SO SORRY FOR THAT.



WOW, THAT'S... THAT TRULY IS SOMETHING, ELENORE.

I KNOW, SIR... I KNOW.



I'M SORRY, EVIE, WE'VE GOTTA GO WITH THEM. YOU'LL HEAR FROM ME.



YEAHHH, I BETTER GET GOING TOO, SO YOU CAN SOLVE THIS... FAMILY DISPUTE.

ARE YOU FREE NEXT SATURDAY, BEEEEKS~

NO, I WILL BE BUSY PRAYING FOR FORGIVENESS FOR YOU.



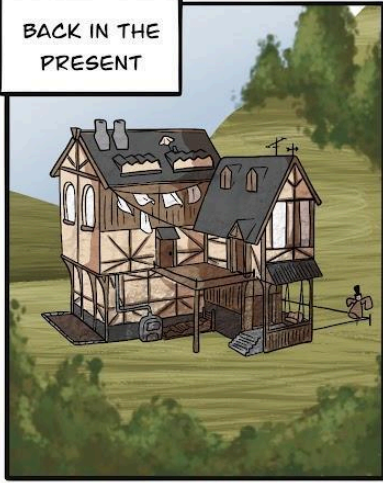
THANK YOU, LUCAS.

AGAIN?
UH... NO NEED TO THANK ME?

WOAH... DID I MISS SOMETHING?

UH...

BACK IN THE PRESENT



SERIOUSLY, WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO WITH YOU? I REALLY CAN'T LEAVE ANYONE OF YOU ALONE FOR ONE MINUTE, CAN I?



SORRY, MOM...

YOU ARE NO SONS OF MINE!



I HOPE EVE CUTS OFF YOUR ACCESS TO THE SNACK BOX. MAYBE A LITTLE LESS SUGAR WILL KNOCK SOME SENSE INTO YOU.

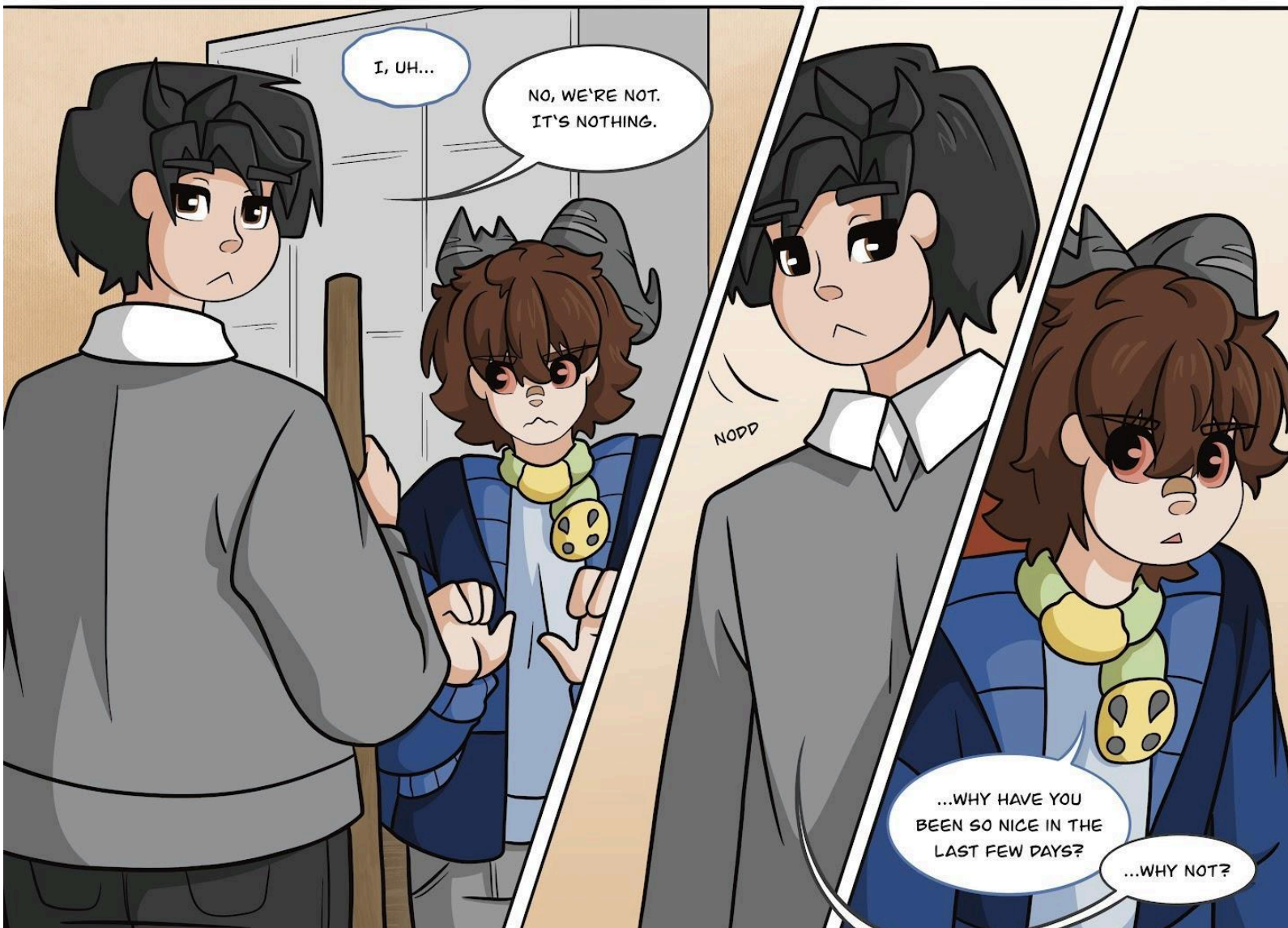


NOOOO, THAT'S MEAN...

I'M SORRY...

NO, I DON'T FORGIVE YOU.





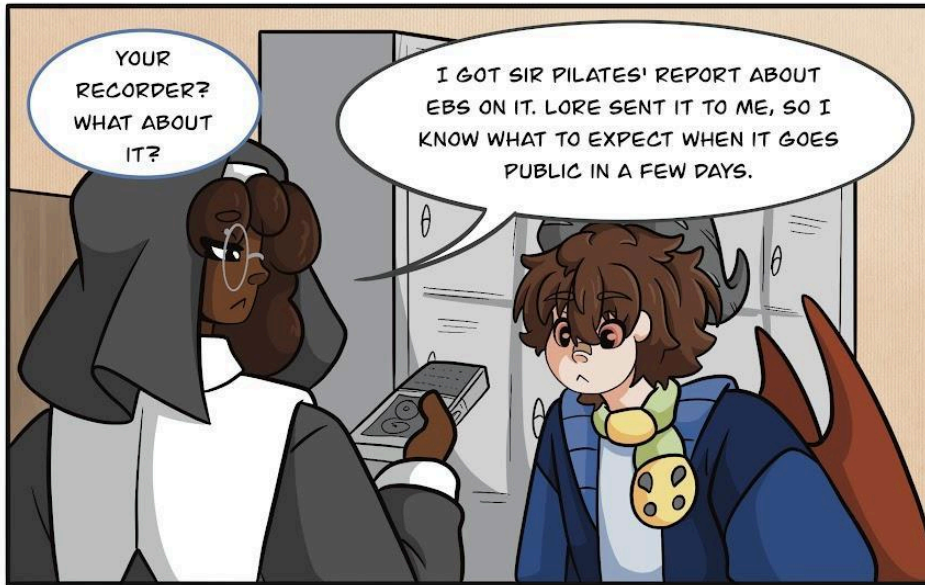


YOU BOYS FINISHED QUITE A LOT.



YES, I PROMISE WE CAN HAVE NORMAL CLASS TOMORROW AGAIN.

DID YOU HEAR ANYTHING FROM LORE?



YOUR RECORDER? WHAT ABOUT IT?

I GOT SIR PILATES' REPORT ABOUT EBS ON IT. LORE SENT IT TO ME, SO I KNOW WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN IT GOES PUBLIC IN A FEW DAYS.



AND?



ON THE 15TH OF NOVEMBER 2018 MY HUMBLE SELF WAS INVITED TO GET A LOOK AT EDEN'S NEWEST PROJECT: EBS!

CLICK!

TO MAKE MY OWN OPINION ON THIS SCHOOL, THAT HAS BEEN THE FOCUS OF A LOT OF CRITICISM IN THE LAST WEEKS.



OH, NO...

DON'T PLAY IT!

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BRING BAD NEWS FAST AND PAINFULLY. LIKE RIPPING OFF A BAND-AID!

THE NUMBER ONE POINT OF SAID CRITICISM: THE STRONG BELIEF THAT DEMONS COULD NEVER BE DISCOURAGED FROM SINFUL, UNCIVILIZED BEHAVIOR AND LIVE TOGETHER WITH HUMANS AND ANGELS.

DID THE DEMONS PROVE ME THE OPPOSITE? DID THE PASSION OF THE NUNS
AND THEIR FAITH IN THEIR STUDENTS INFECT ME? THE ANSWER IS NO...

OH, NO...

FUCK...

...AND YET IT
IS YES.

HUH?

I WAS TOLD BY THE NUNS AND THE FOUNDER OF EBS
ABOUT THE STUDENT'S STRUGGLES. ABOUT THE WAY
THEY MISBEHAVE AND ABOUT THE PROBLEMS HUMANS
AND DEMONS HAVE WITH EACH OTHER WHILE LIVING
UNDER THE SAME ROOF.

BUT THAT DOESN'T QUITE MATCH MY EXPERIENCE.
CONTRARY TO THIS, I SAW STUDENTS WORKING TOGETHER,
STANDING UP FOR EACH OTHER. AND I WILL ADMIT, THIS DID
PUT A POSITIVE LIGHT ON THE INFLUENCE THIS SCHOOL HAS
ON ITS YOUNG MINDS.

EBS IS TAKING LITTLE BABY STEPS TO A BIG CHANGE. A CIVILIZED DEMON IS NO LONGER THE SILLY UTOPY OF TWO OUTCAST NUNS. THESE DREAMS ARE SLOWLY MADE INTO THE REALITY OF THEIR PROJECT - AND SURELY SOON THE FUTURE OF OUR COUNTRY.

WAIT, ARE YOU SERIOUS?

IS THIS REAL? YOU'RE FOR REAL?



GUESS, AAMON AND LUCAS REALLY SAVED OUR HEADS WITH THIS ONE. TO EVERYONE'S SURPRISE, INCLUDING MINE...



FUCK YES!

OH, THANK GOD!



WE DIDN'T SCREW IT UP!







CHILDREN LIKE YOU WON'T UNDERSTAND.

OKAY, ENOUGH.



WAIT, EVE? WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER VISITORS? WILL THEY KICK US OUT? I DOUBT THAT WE LEFT A GOOD IMPRESSION ON THEM...

TRUE, BUT... LORE TOLD ME WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT IT ANYMORE...



WHY?

I DON'T KNOW... SHE SAID, SHE'S TOO BUSY TO TALK ABOUT IT RIGHT NOW... IT'S A LITTLE WEIRD, I'M NOT GONNA LIE.



LORE'S ALWAYS BUSY, EVE. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT TOO MUCH.

HM...

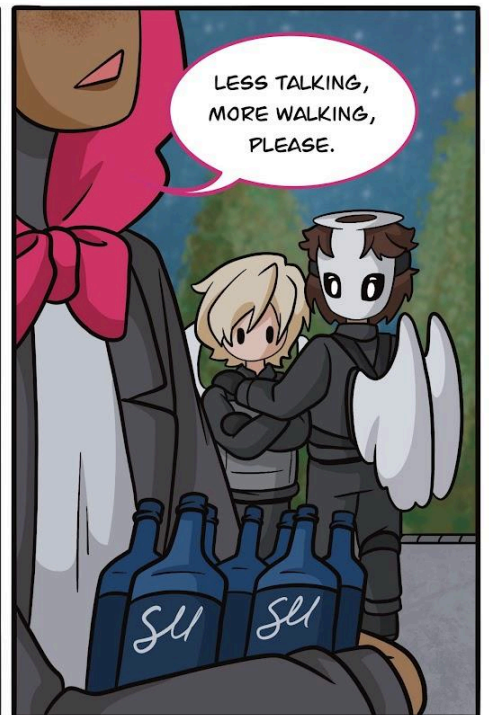
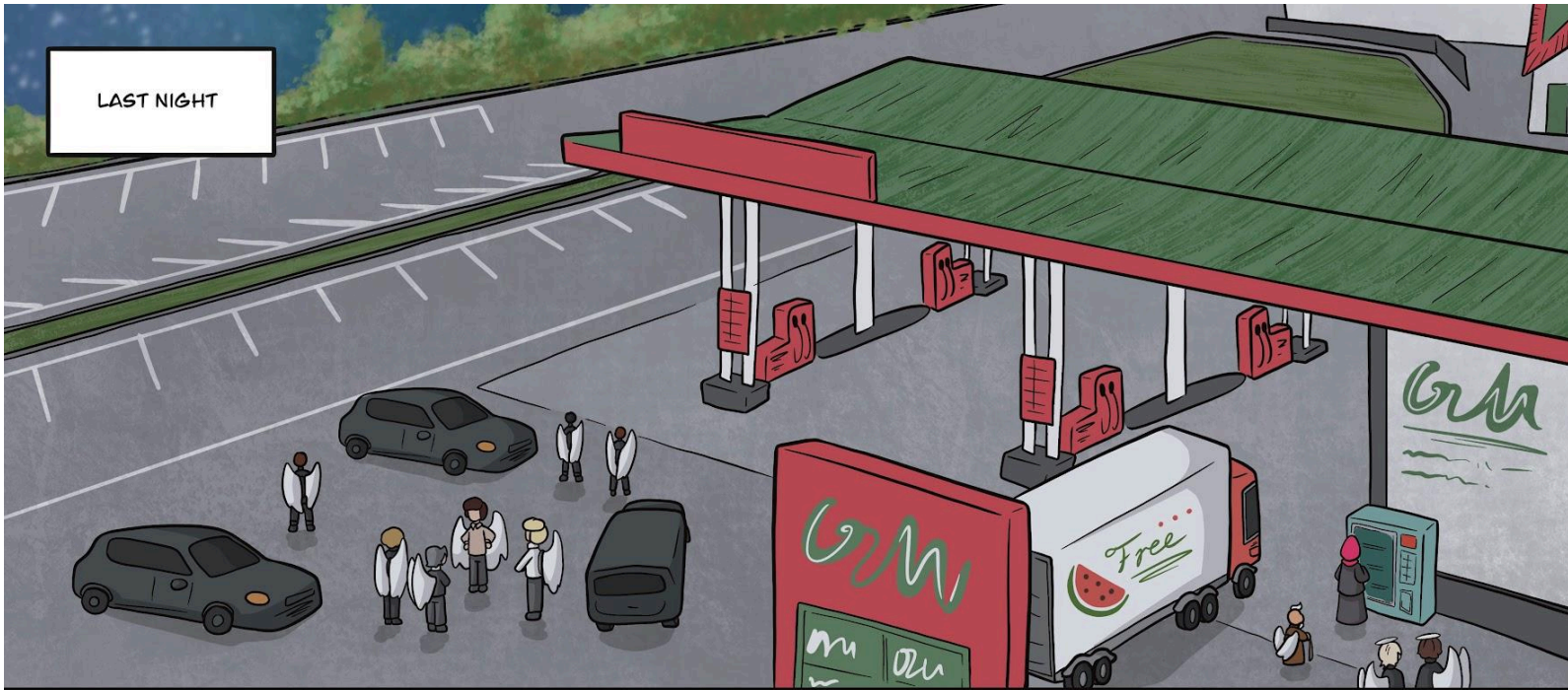
YOU'RE RIGHT.
IT'S PROBABLY JUST
NOTHING.

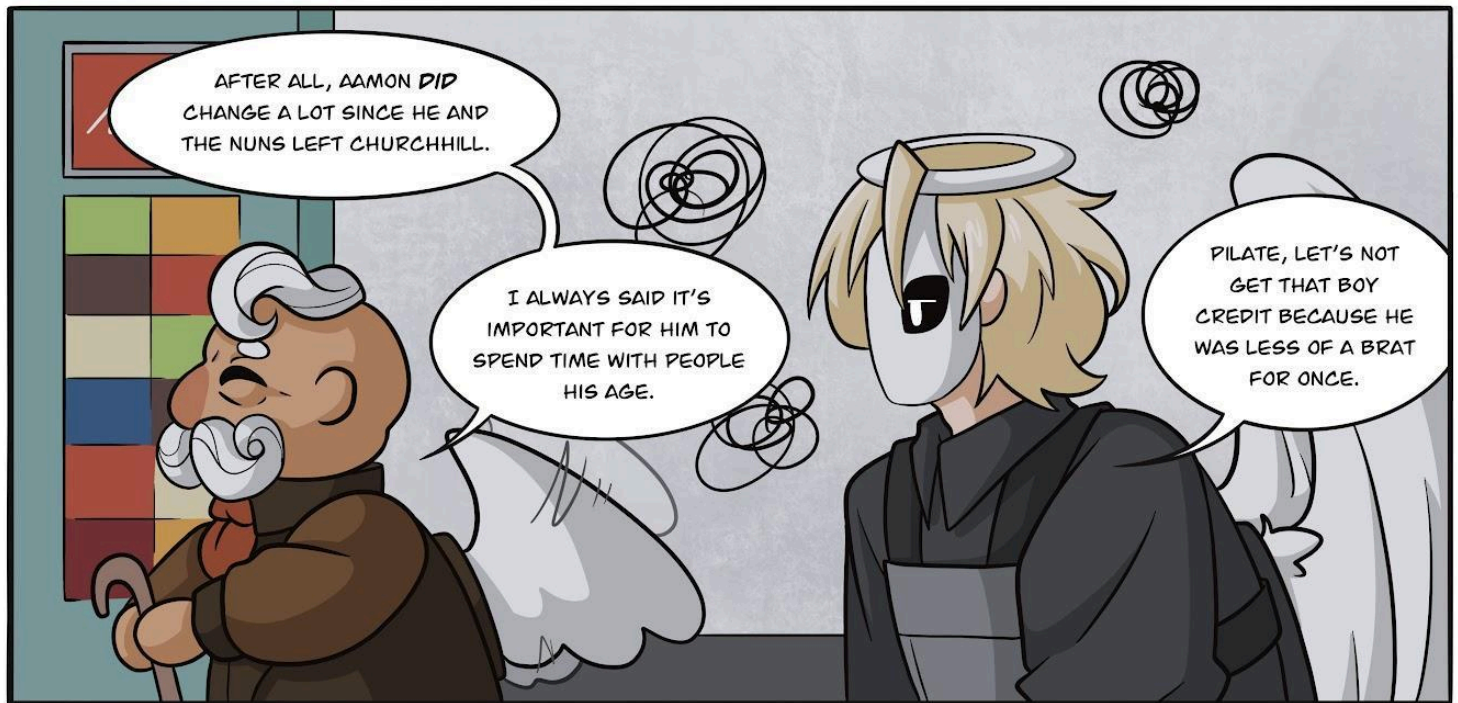


I'M ASKING YOU
ONE LAST TIME.

WHAT
HAPPENED THERE
LAST NIGHT?

LAST NIGHT

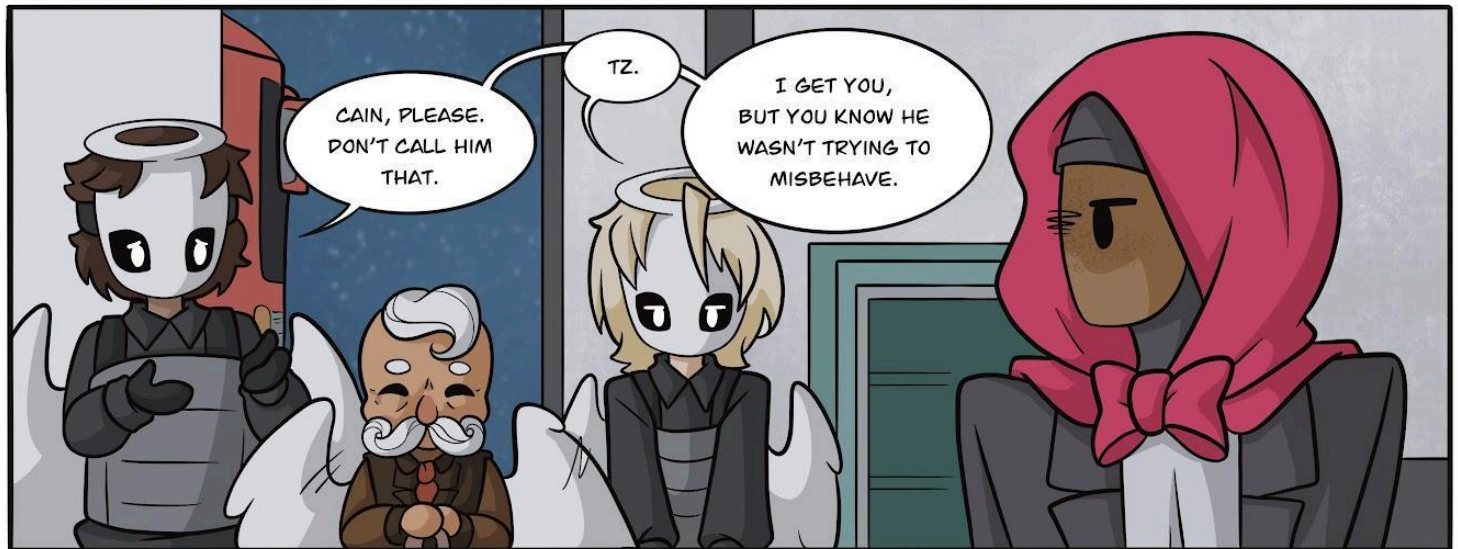




AFTER ALL, AAMON DID CHANGE A LOT SINCE HE AND THE NUNS LEFT CHURCHHILL.

I ALWAYS SAID IT'S IMPORTANT FOR HIM TO SPEND TIME WITH PEOPLE HIS AGE.

PILATE, LET'S NOT GET THAT BOY CREDIT BECAUSE HE WAS LESS OF A BRAT FOR ONCE.



CAIN, PLEASE. DON'T CALL HIM THAT.

TZ.

I GET YOU, BUT YOU KNOW HE WASN'T TRYING TO MISBEHAVE.



HEY, NOW. YOU OLD MARRIED COUPLE. IF YOU DON'T STOP FIGHTING-

CRACK





MISS?

Free



MISS, BE CAREFUL!

NO PULSE...

LORE!









LORE,
STAY BACK!





WHAT HAPPENED?
LIKE I ALREADY TOLD YOU:
I DON'T KNOW.

WE TOOK A BREAK ON OUR RIDE
HOME. ME, MY GUARDS AND PILATE
LEFT TO GET WATER. WE CAME BACK
AND EVERYONE WAS DEAD.

YOU'RE TELLING ME
YOU DIDN'T SEE
CHARON?

NO.

