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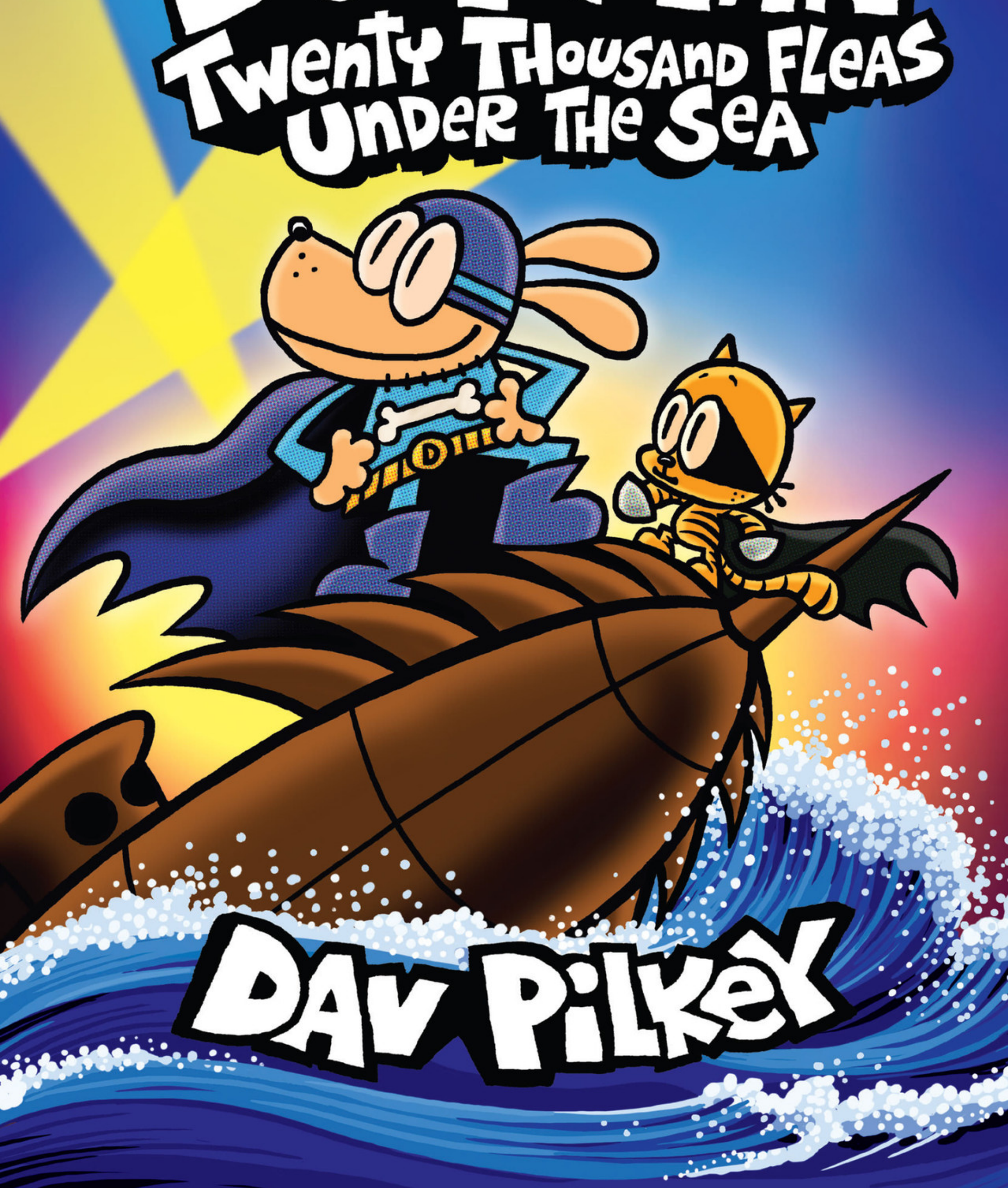

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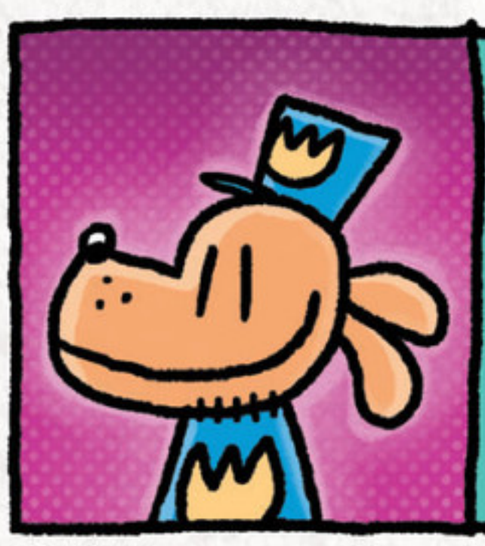
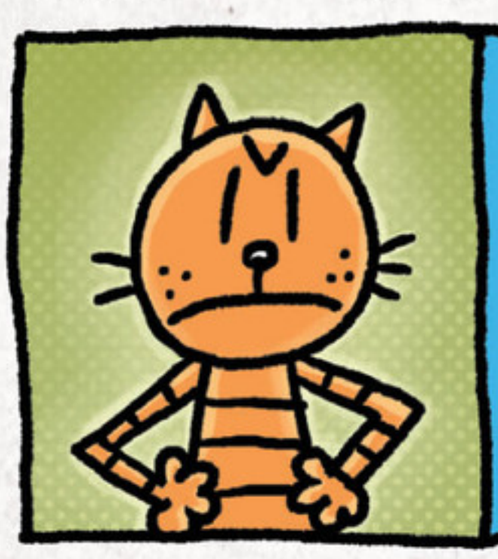
Meet the Cast



DOG MAN: He's part dog, part man, and ALL HERO! Sometimes he dresses up as a superhero named "The Bark Knight," although he has no superpowers.



PETEY: He used to be an irritable, impatient bad guy. But when his son arrived, Petey became determined to change his ways. Now he's an irritable, impatient Good Guy.

LI'L PETEY: Petey's pure-hearted son. He loves making comics and telling Jokes. Sometimes he even saves the world as a superhero named "Cat Kid."

MOLLY: She may *look* like a tadpole, but she identifies as a baby frog. Her superpower is *psychokinesis*, which means that she can move things with her mind.

SARAH HATOFF & ZUZU: Sarah is an investigative Journalist from Australia who adores her pet poodle, Zuzu. Sarah always carries a purse, too, except when Harold forgets to draw it.

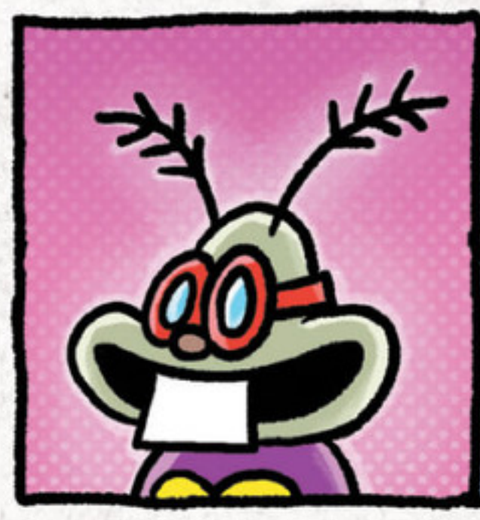
CHIEF: He's Dog Man's brave boss and loyal best friend. Chief also has a HUGE CRUSH on Nurse Lady. Don't tell anybody!!!

NURSE LADY (a.k.a. Genie S. Lady, RN, BSN): She's a smart and brave health-care professional, and her quick thinking saved Dog Man's life. She also has a MAJOR CRUSH on Chief. Shhh!!!!

80-HD: A robot designed by Petey and rebuilt by Li'l Petey. Although his exoskeleton houses a limitless supply of helpful gadgets, his greatest superpower is CREATIVITY.

PIGGY: He's the ruthless leader of the FLEAS, which is an acronym for "Fuzzy Little Evil Animal Squad." Recently, Piggy got shrunk by a shrink ray, and was locked up in Mini Jail for "crimes and stuff."

CRUNKY & BUB: Piggy's sidekicks and members of the FLEAS. Crunky (the gorilla) and Bub (the crocodile) also got shrunk and locked up in Mini Jail, but unlike Piggy, they're both pretty good guys.



DARYL: He's a friendly moth who founded a superhero club called "The Friendly Friends." Daryl is a loyal friend to Piggy, even though Piggy is mean and rude in return.

For my brother,
Steve Aragaki

CHAPTER 1

DOGMAN JUMPS THE SHARK

chief

We're almost there!

chief

Thanks for coming with me on my date, DOG MAN!!!

chief

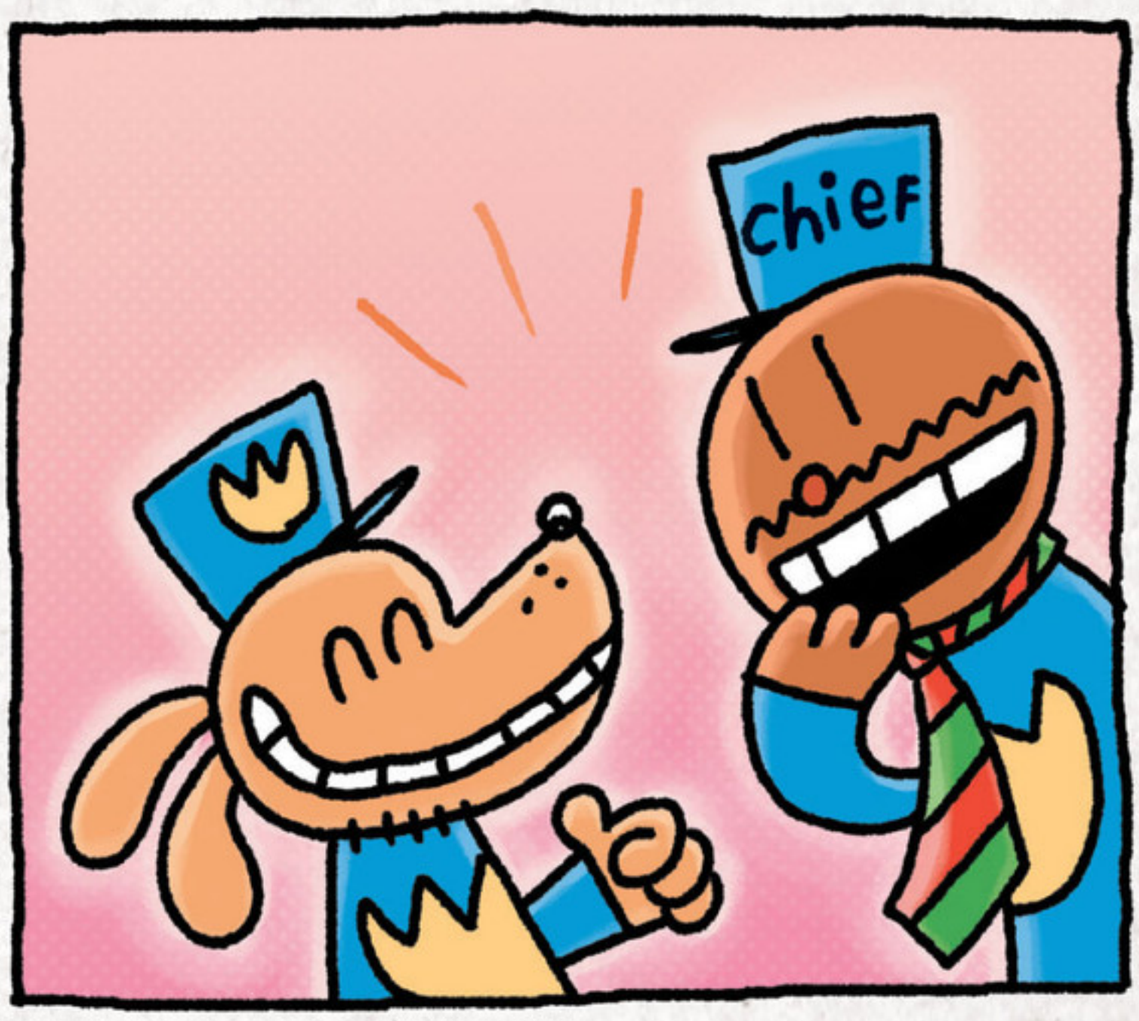
I'm a little **nervous!**

chief

Is my breath okay?

sniff sniff

chief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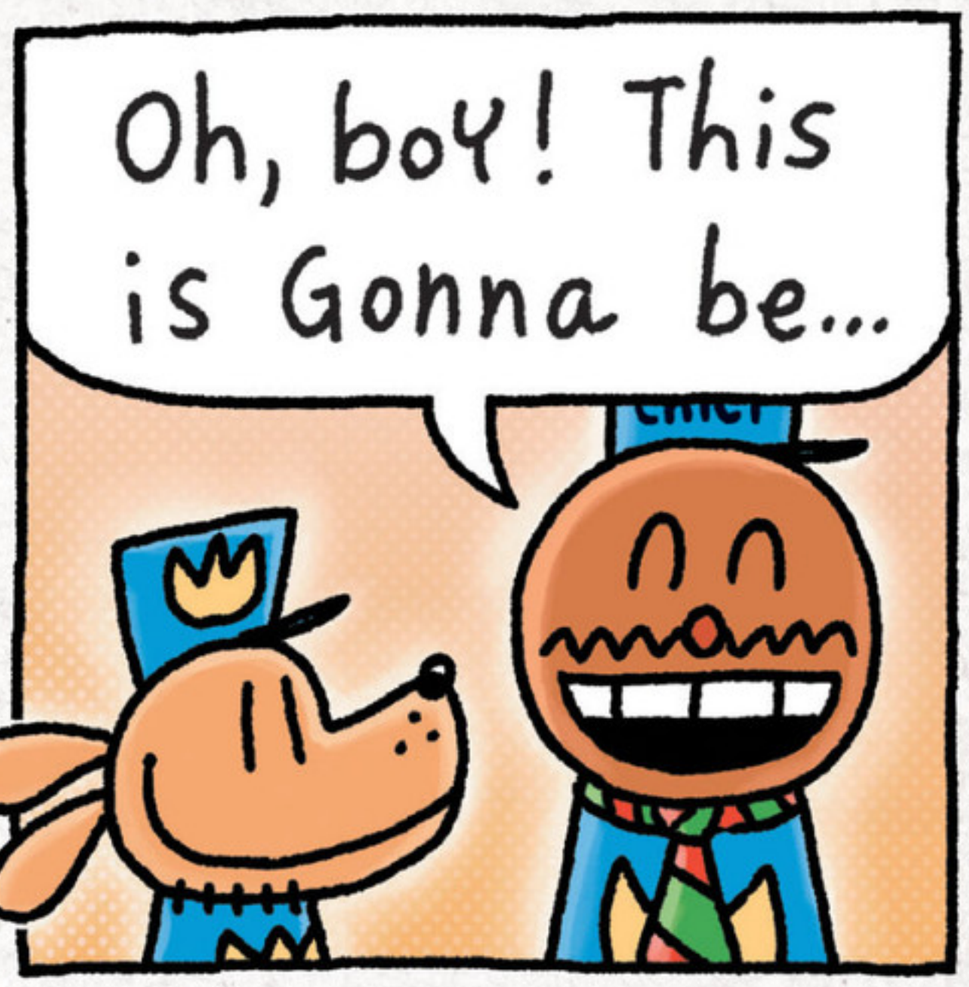
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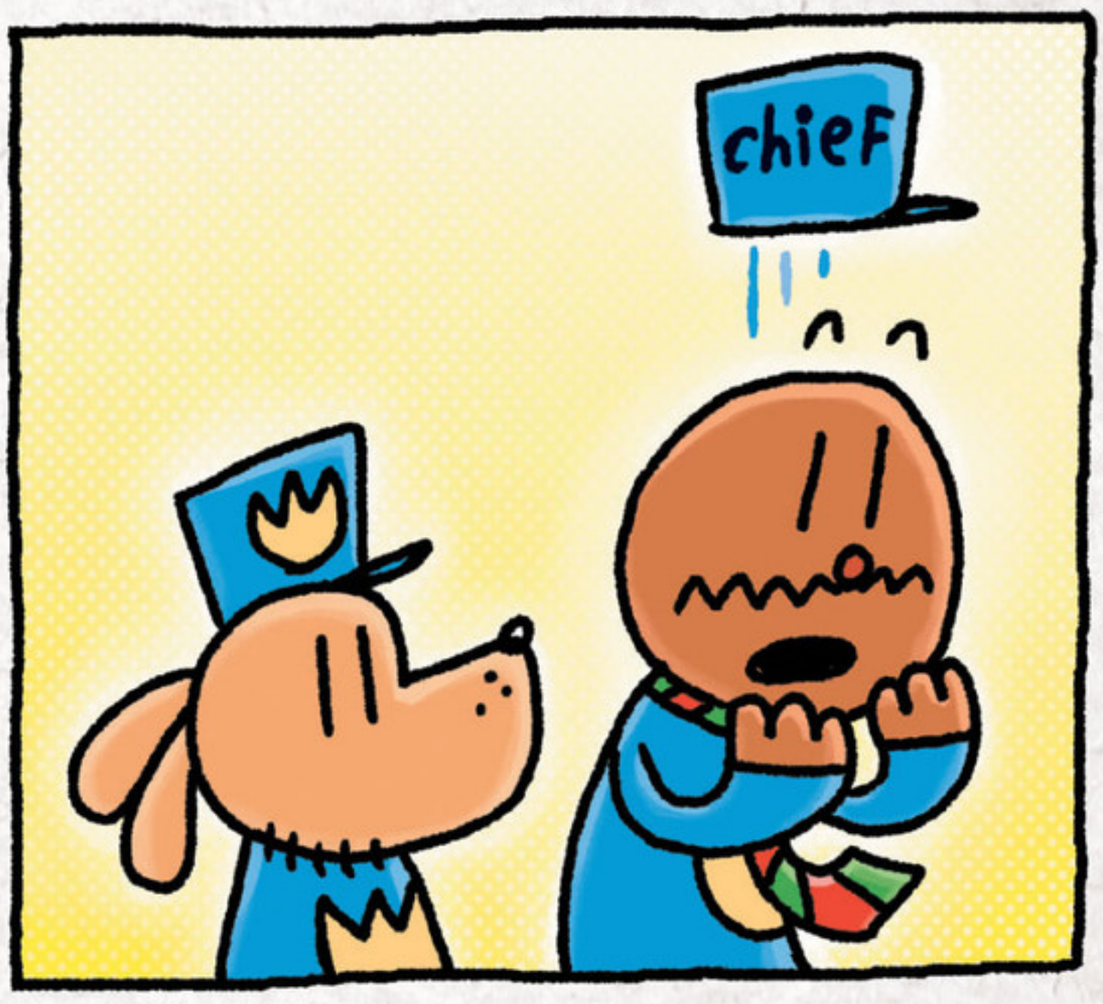
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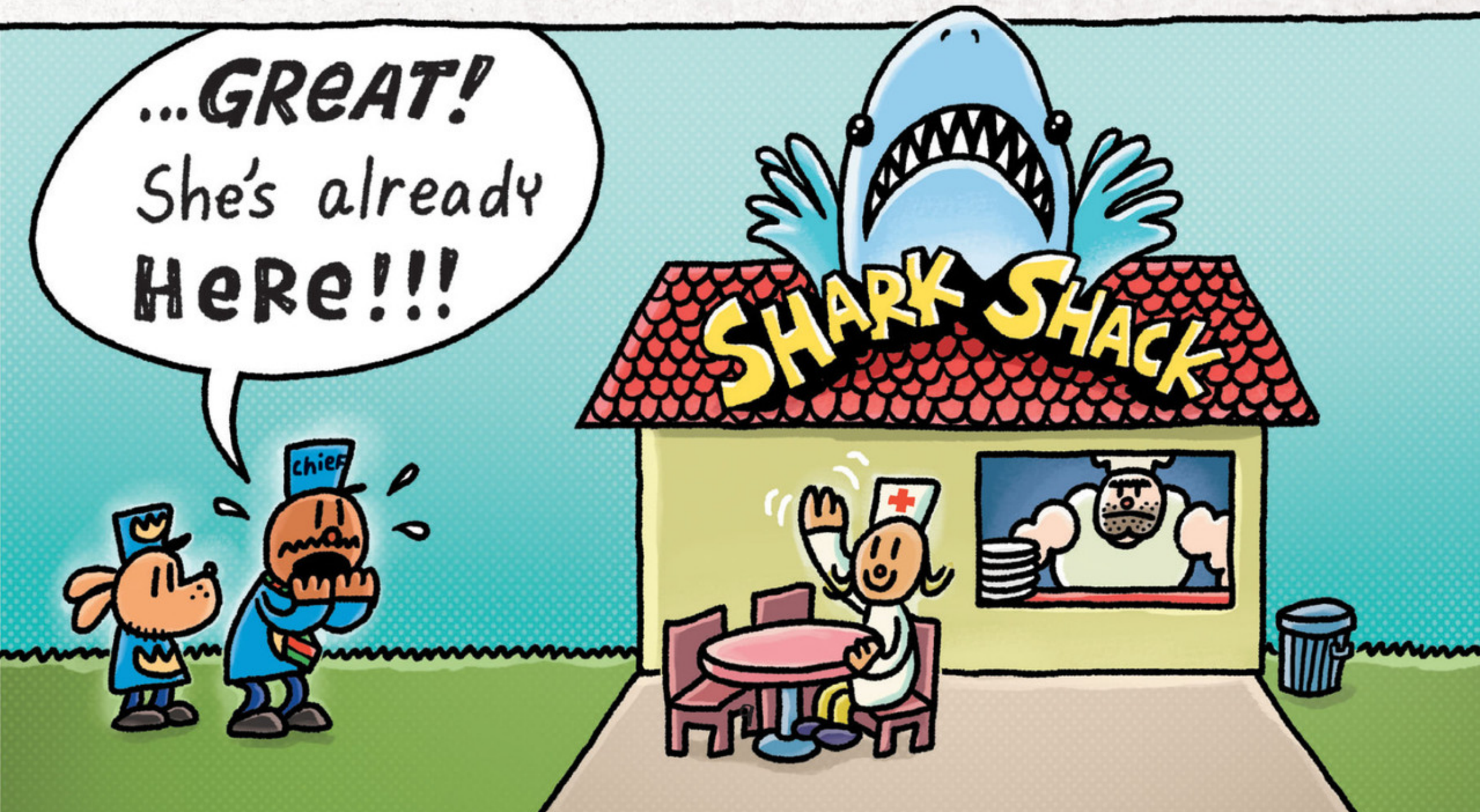

...GREAT! She's already Here!!!
chief
SHARK SHACK

What do I **DO**, DoG Man?

chief

What do I **SAY?**

chief

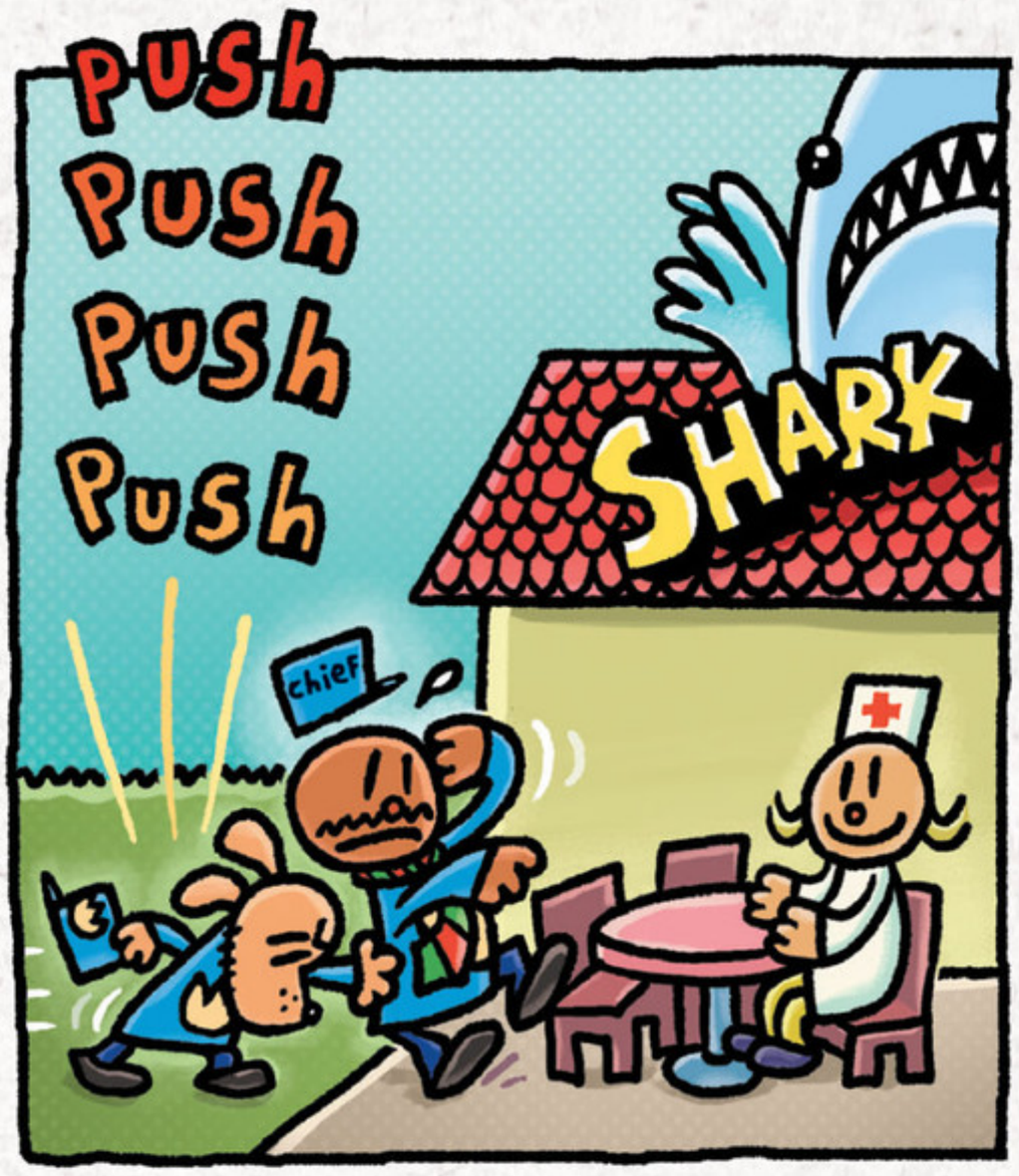
What if she doesn't **Like** me anymore???

chief

chief

Push Push Push

chief


PUSH
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PUSH
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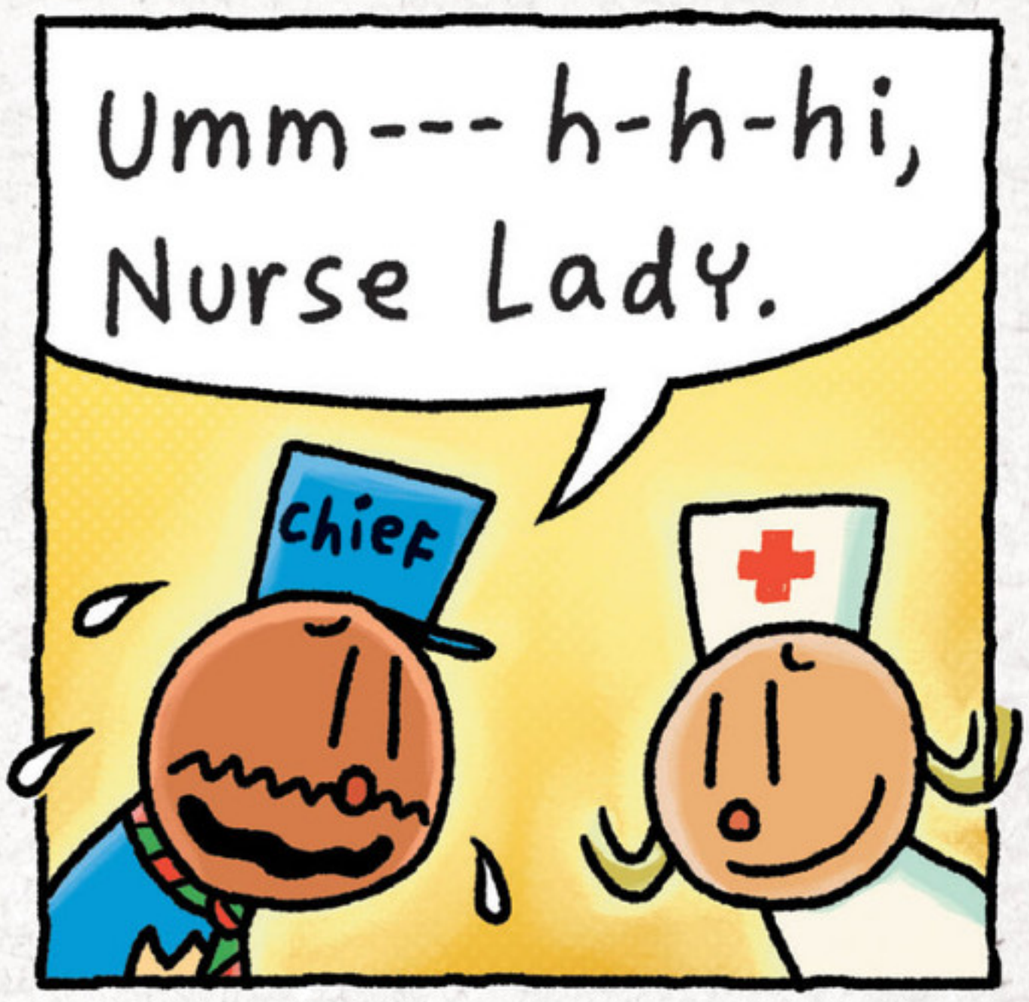
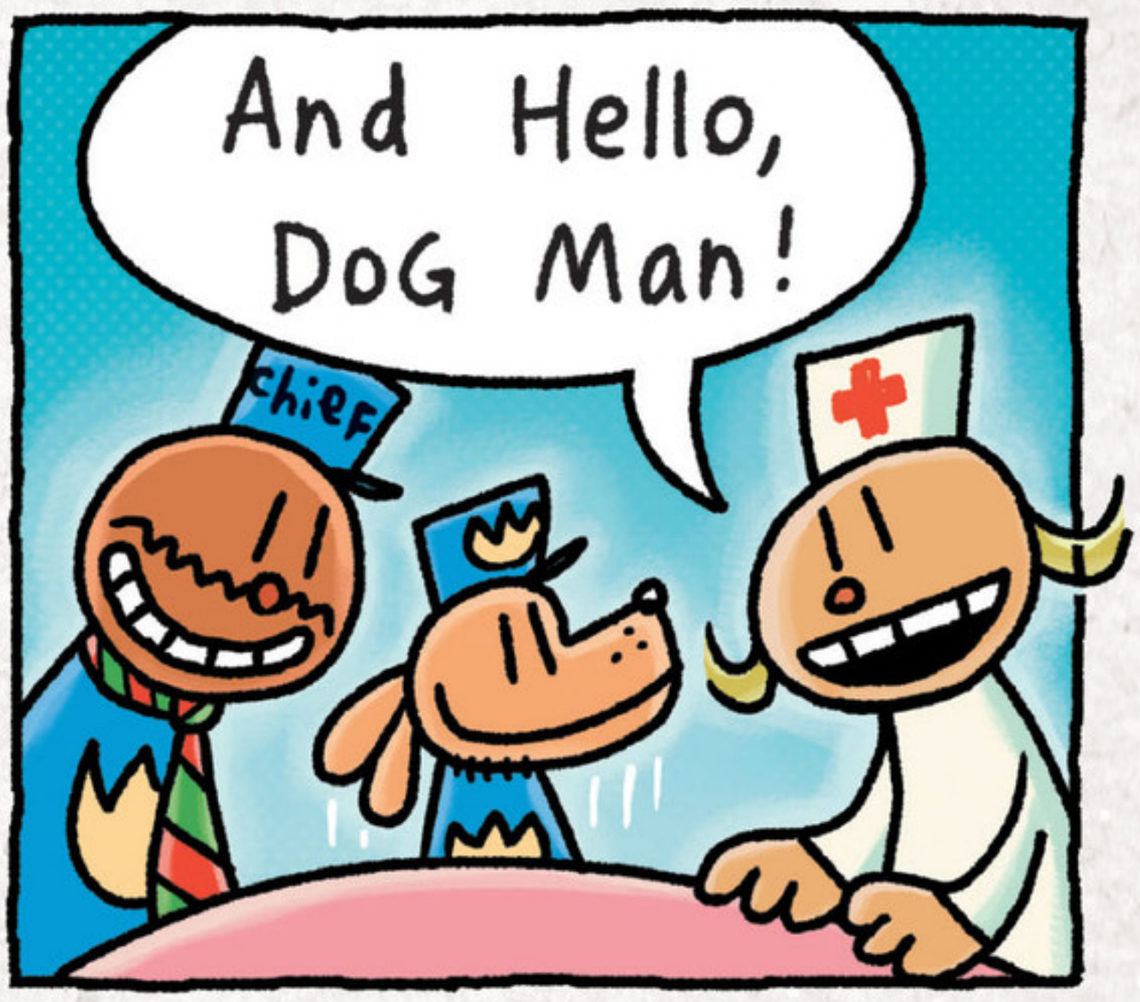
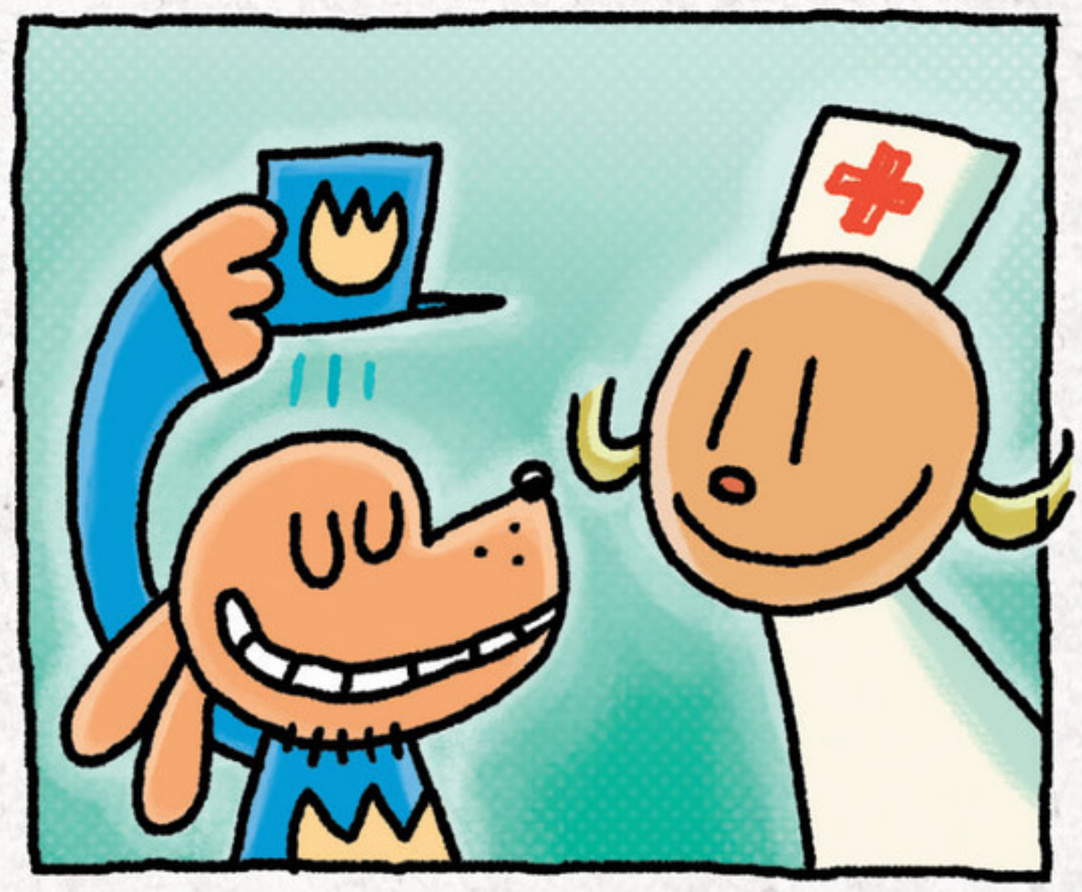
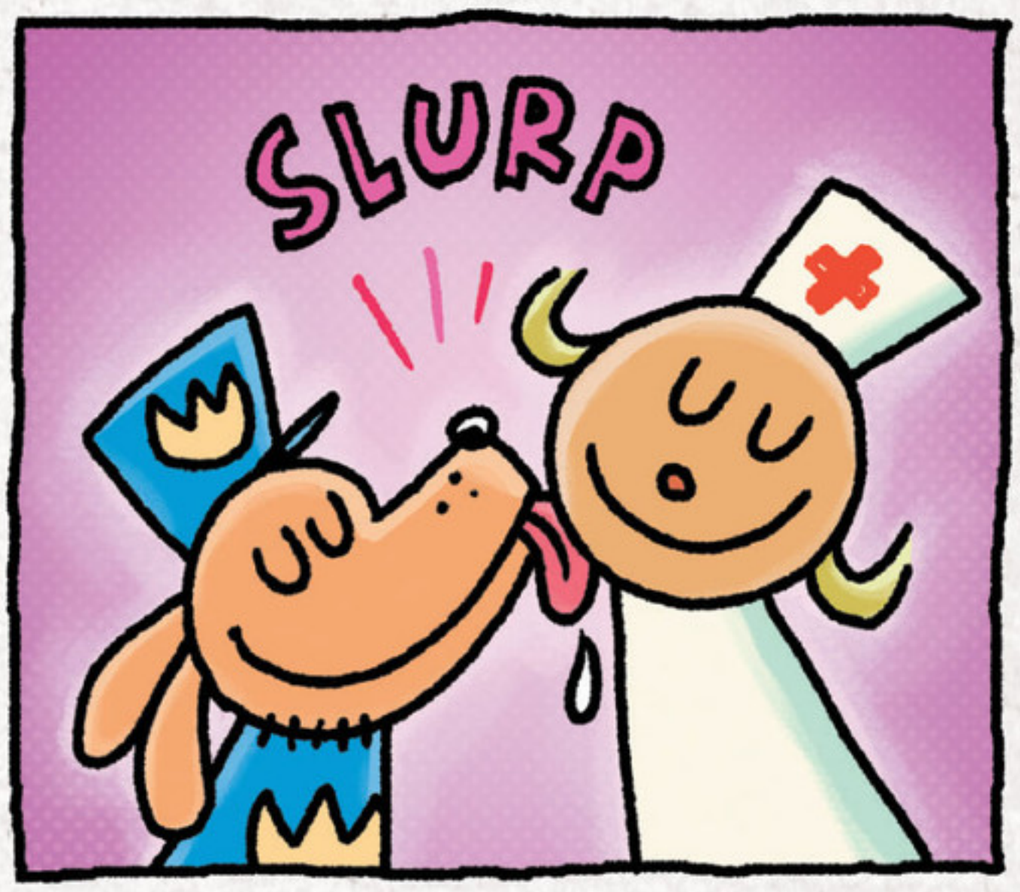
SHARK
chief

Hiya, Chief!
chief


Umm--- h-h-hi,
Nurse Lady.
chief


And Hello,
DOG Man!
chief

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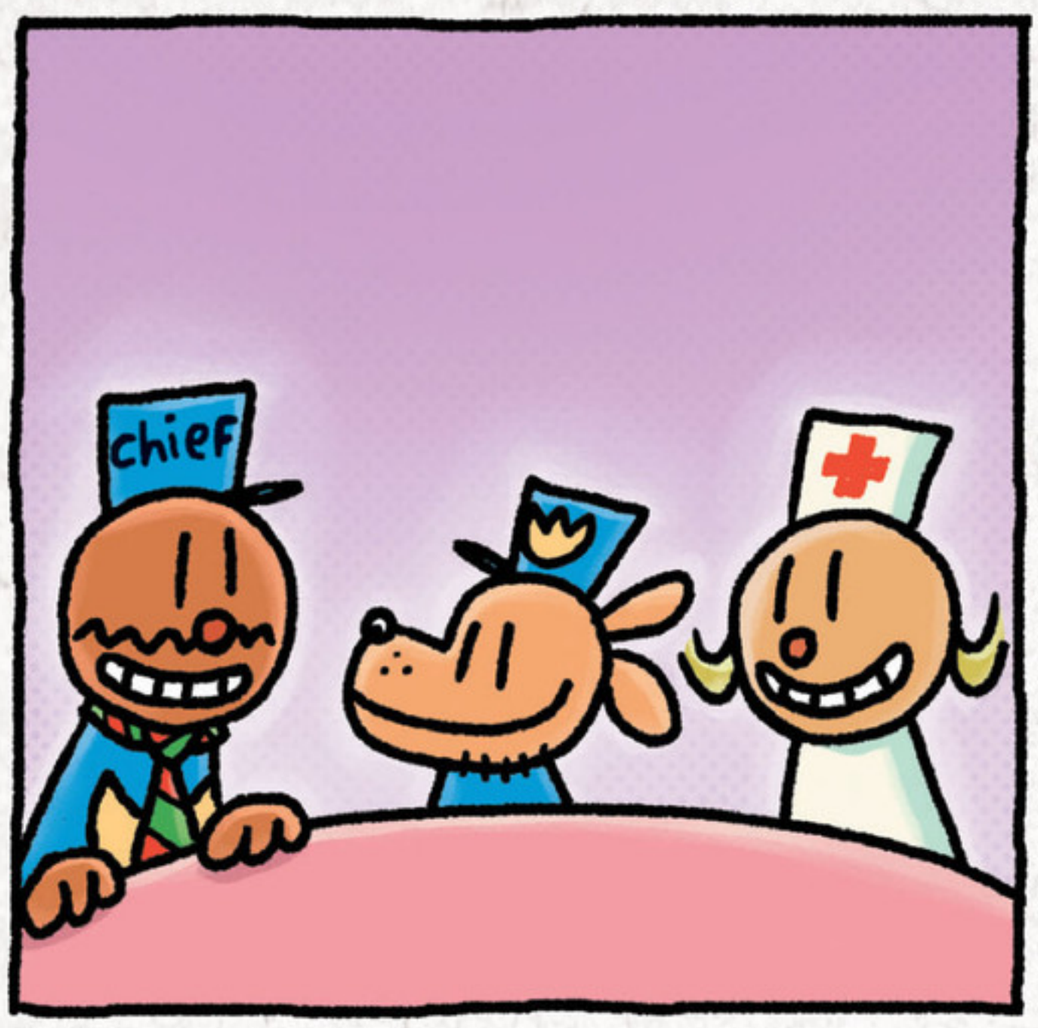
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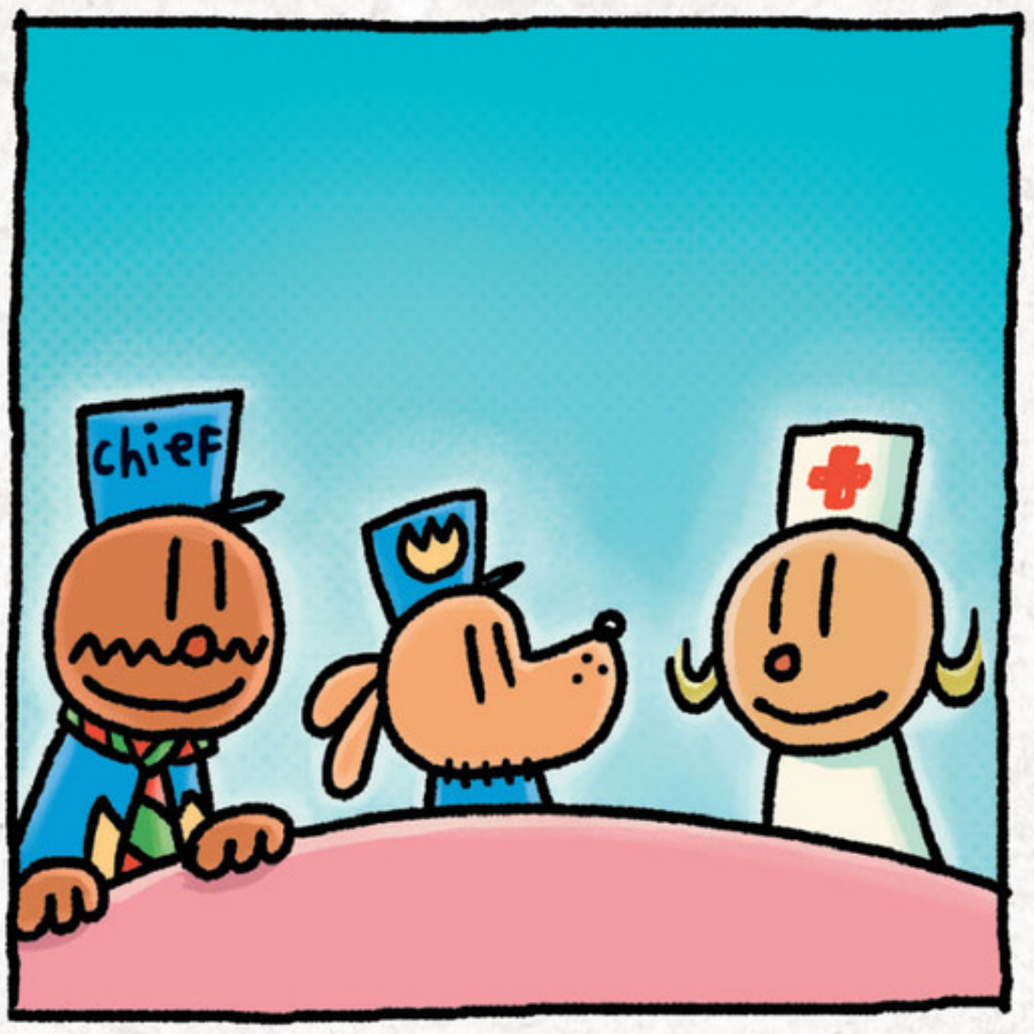
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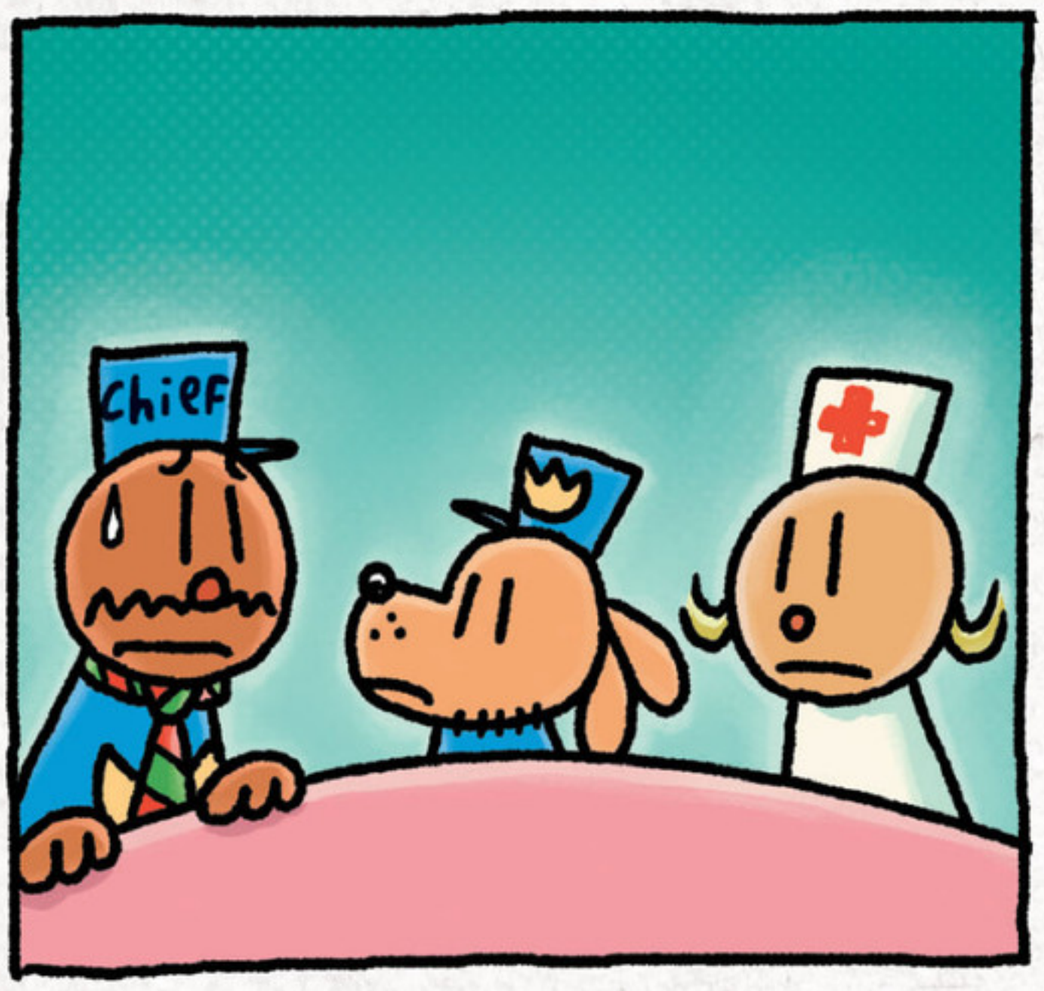
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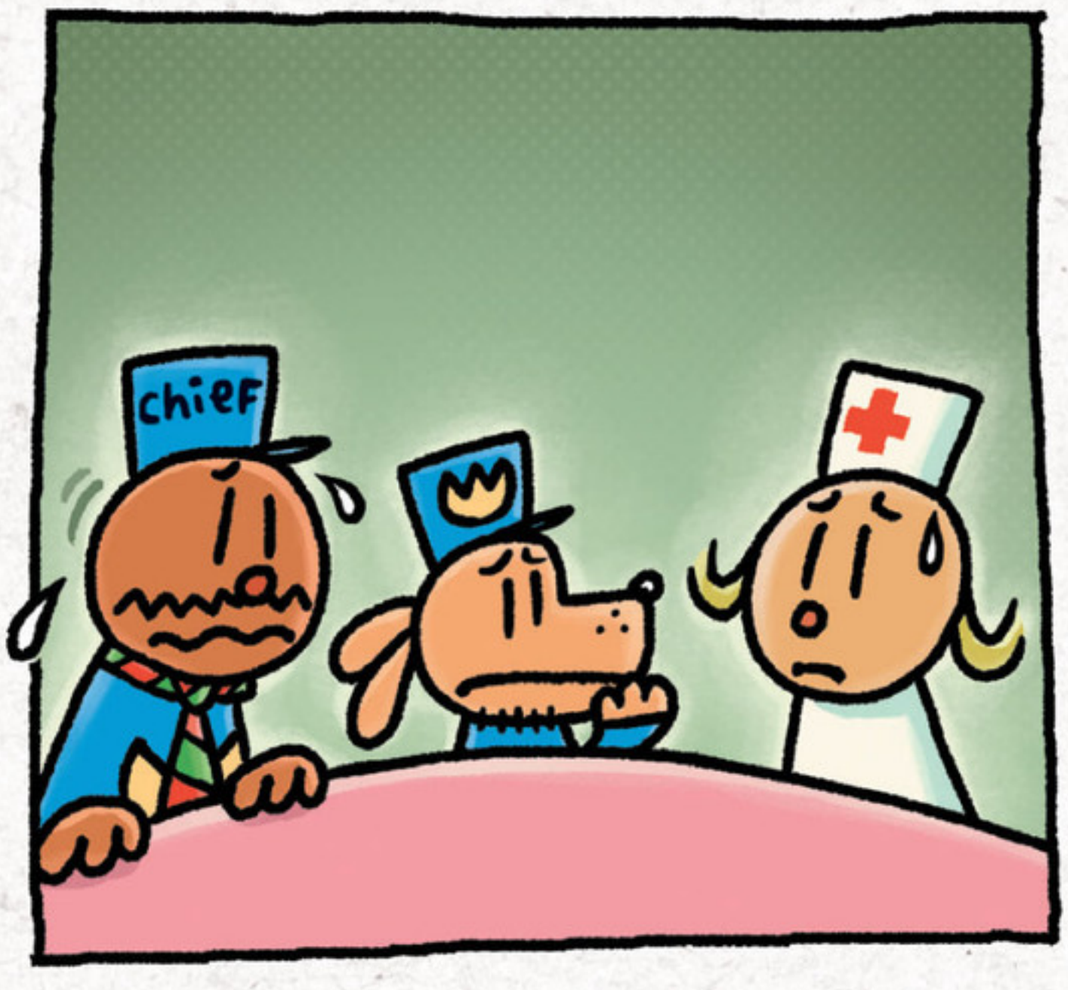
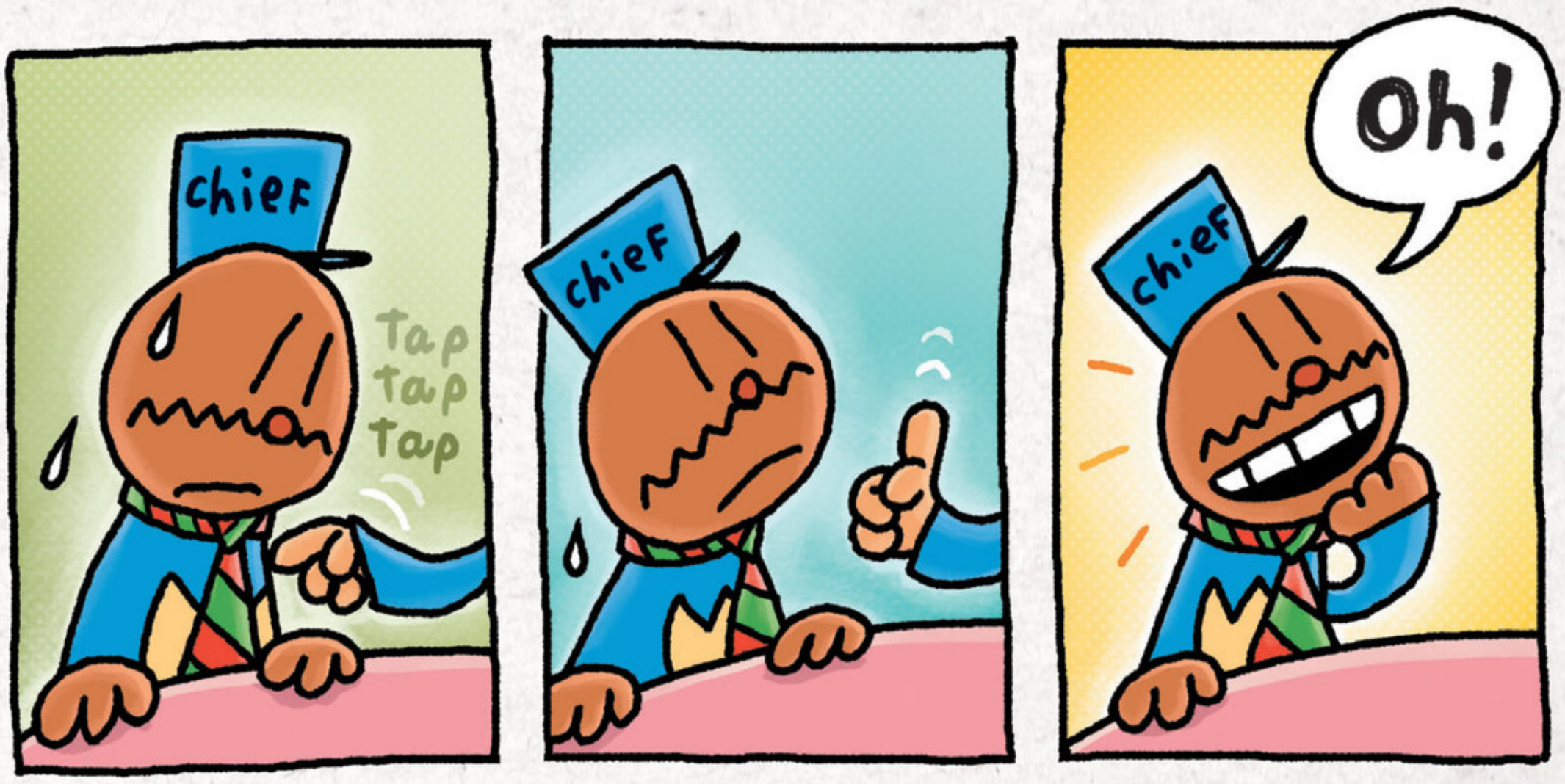
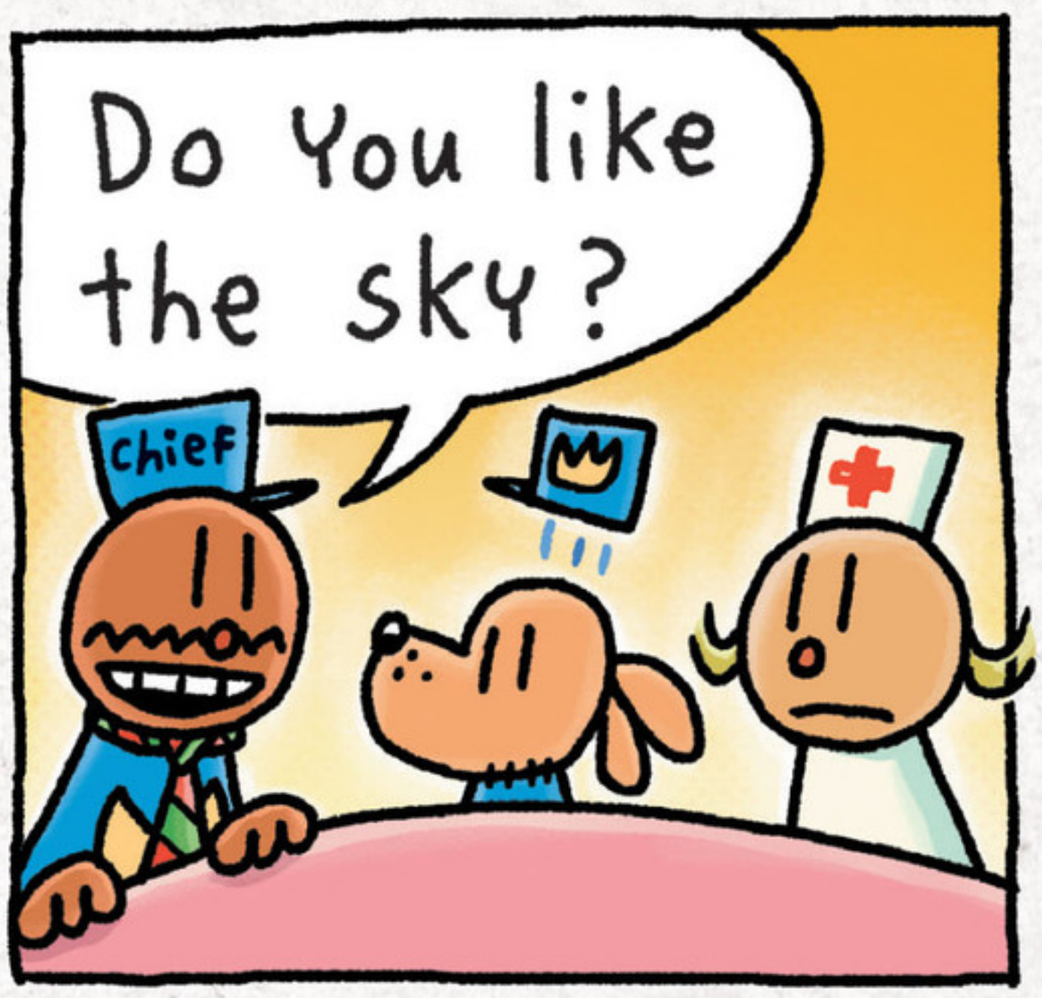

chief

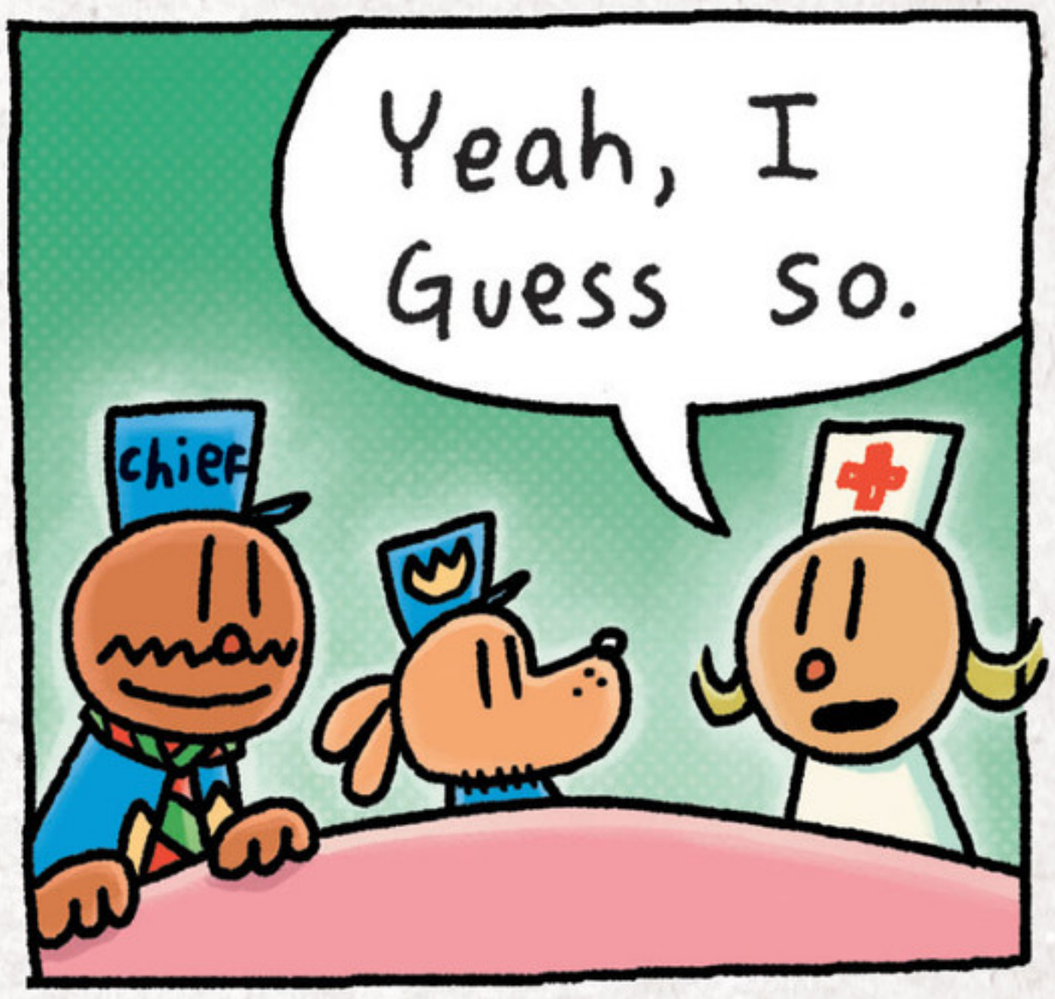
Well...
chief

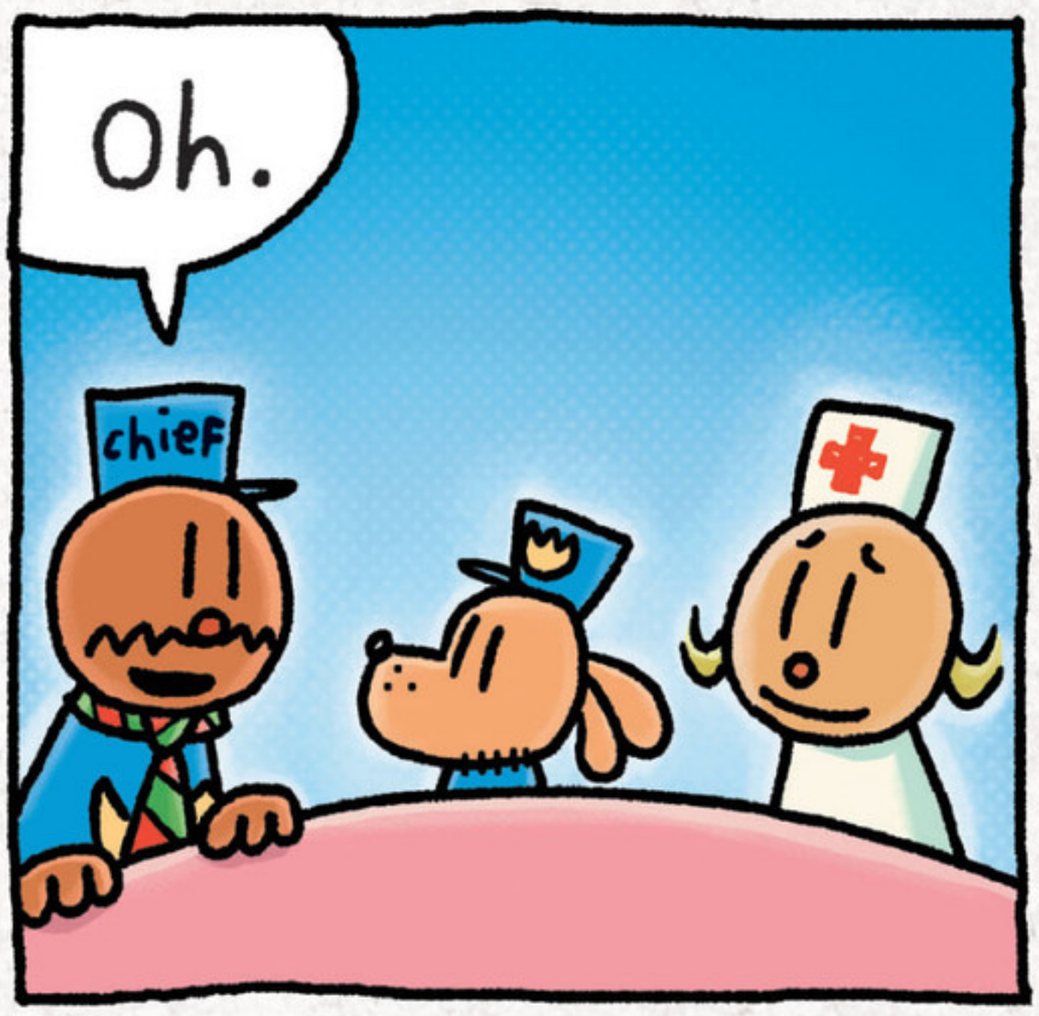
...Gee...
chief

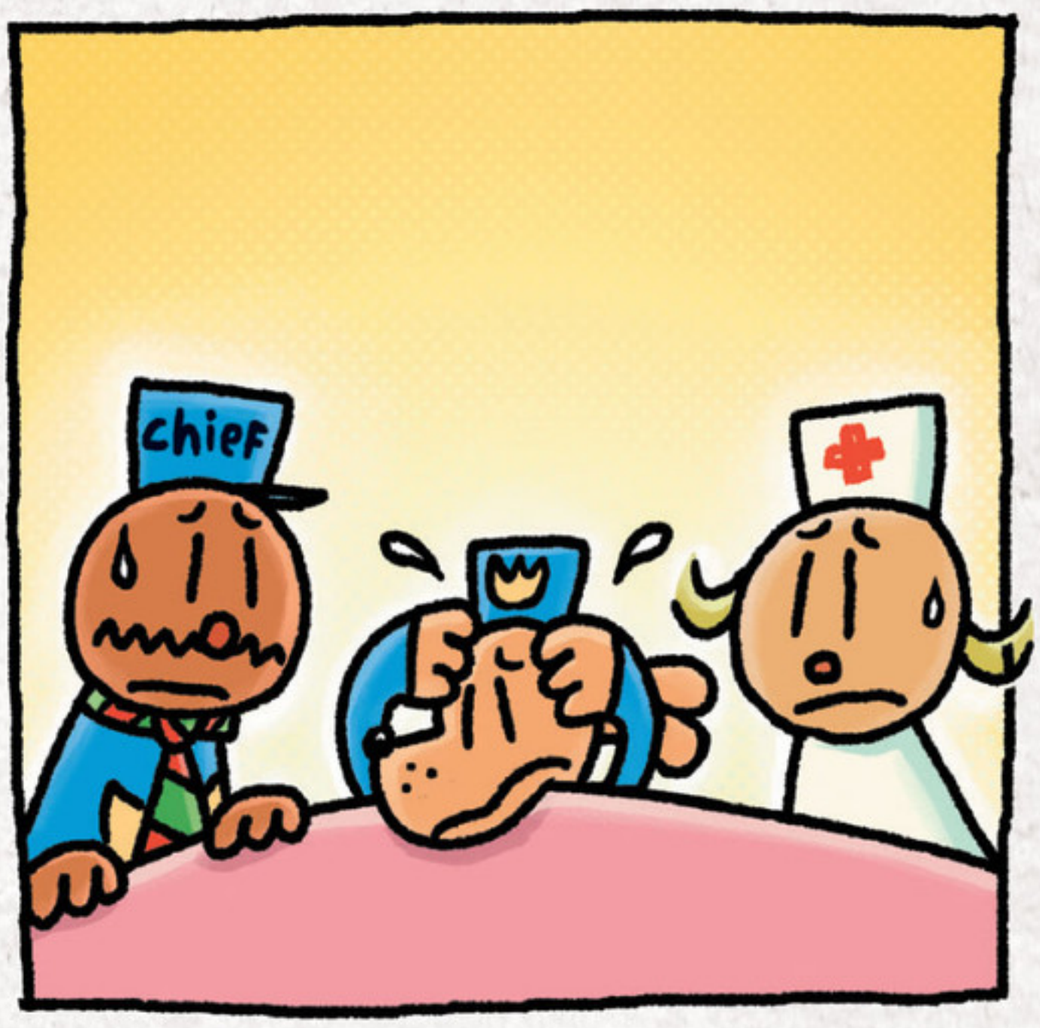
...Um...
chief


chief
tap
tap
chief
Oh!
chief


Do You like the sky?
chief


Yeah, I Guess so.
chief


Oh.
chief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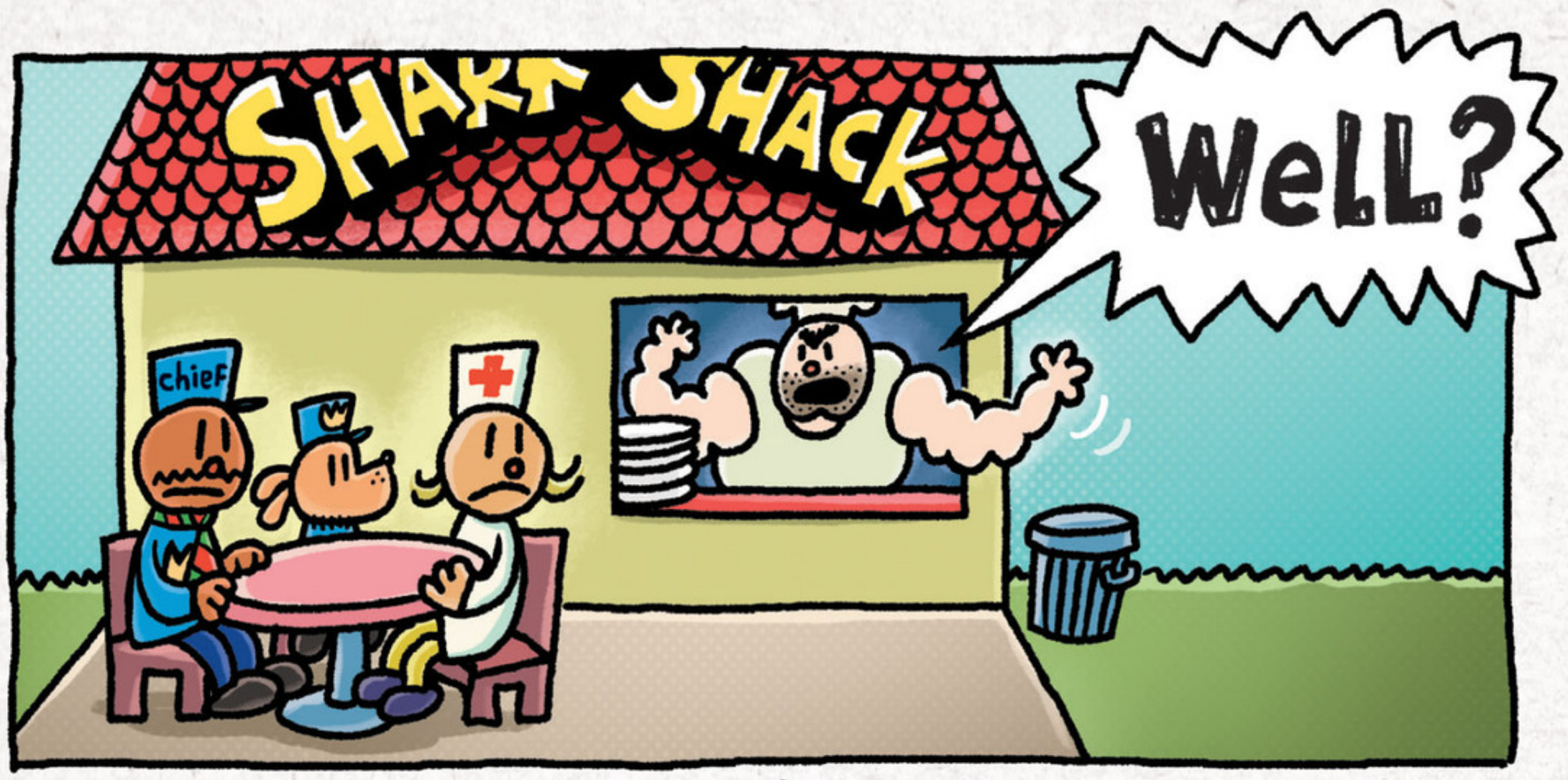
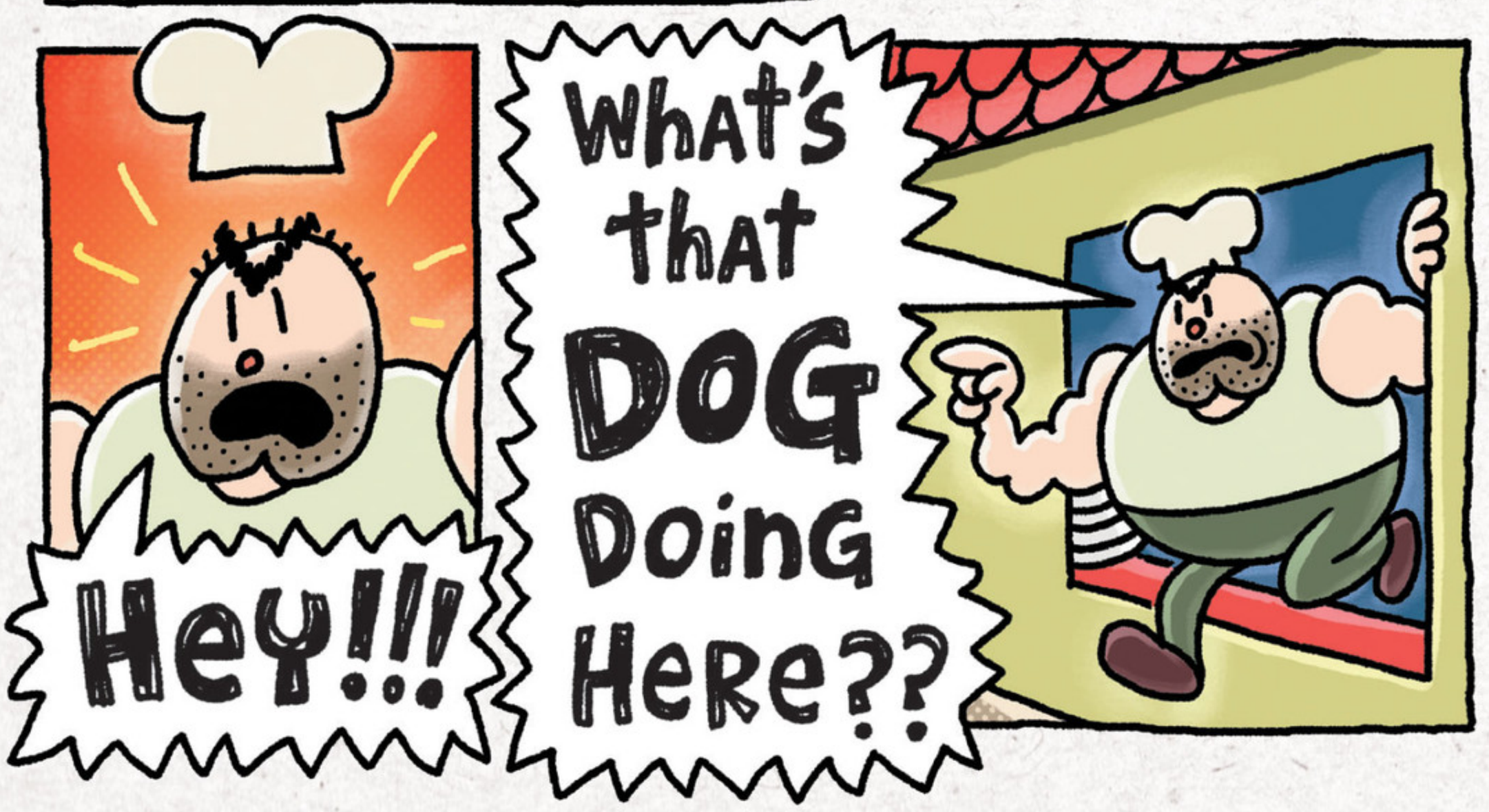


ARE YOU THREE BLABBER-MOUTHS GONNA ORDER SOME FOOD????



He's not a DOG.

chief

He's DOG MAN!

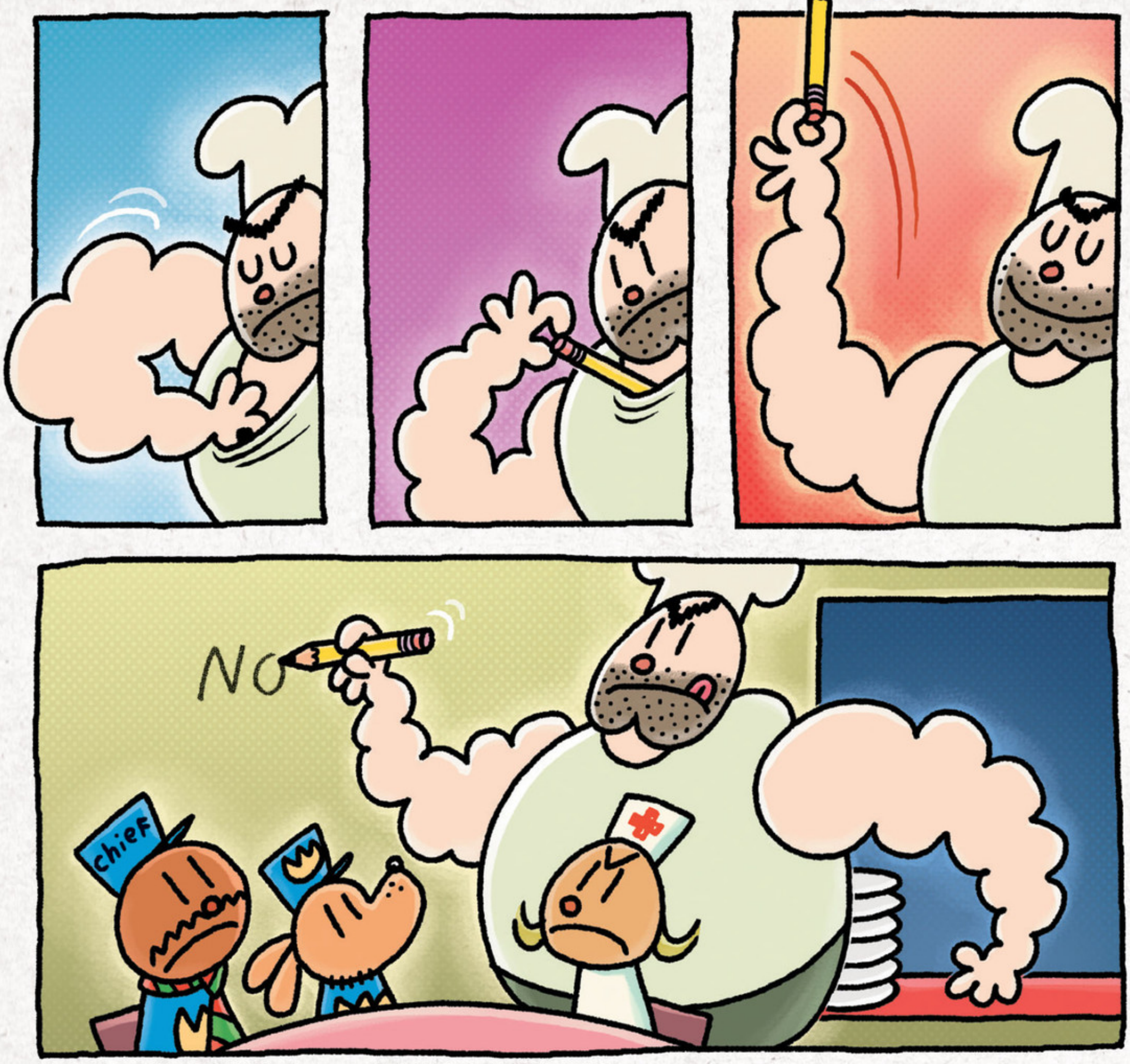
chief

Well he Looks Like a DoG to ME!!!

chief

AnD We don't ALLOW DOGS!

Oh, Yeah? Well I don't see a SiGN!!!


NO
chief
NO
DOGS
NO
DOGS
ALLowed

NO DOGS ALLowed

Are You happy now?

NO DOGS ALLowed

chief

And Since You've VIOLATED our SIGN...

NO DOGS ALLowed

chief

...I'm Gonna Take this DOG LEASH...

click

...and tie him to this TRASH CAN where he belonGS!

chief

Now he cAn't cAuse ANY TROUBLE!!!

HAW HAW HAW!!!

HAW HAW HAW HAW HAW HAW HAW HAW

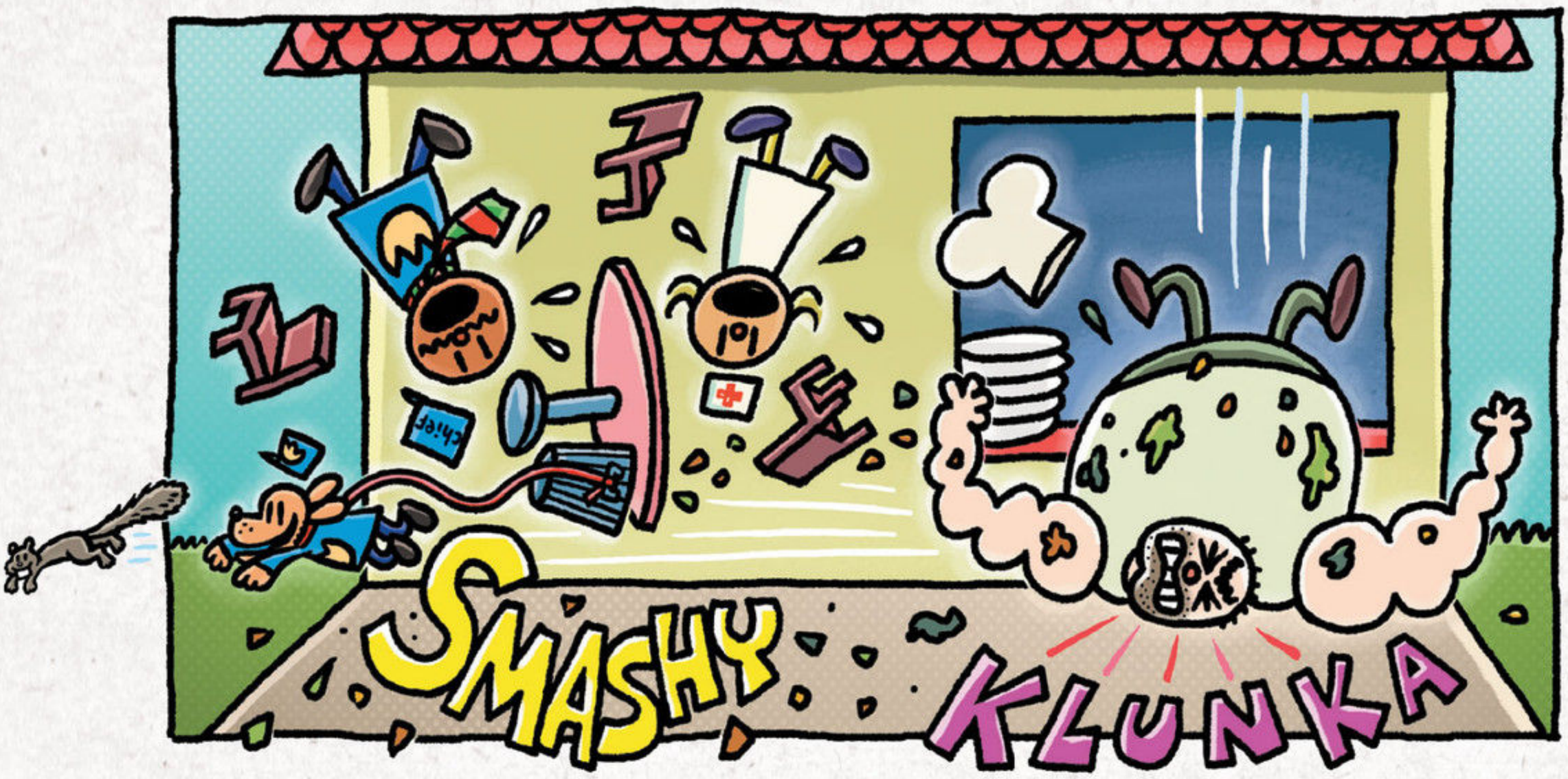
zip

H-Hey!!!

ZOOM

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

CRASH!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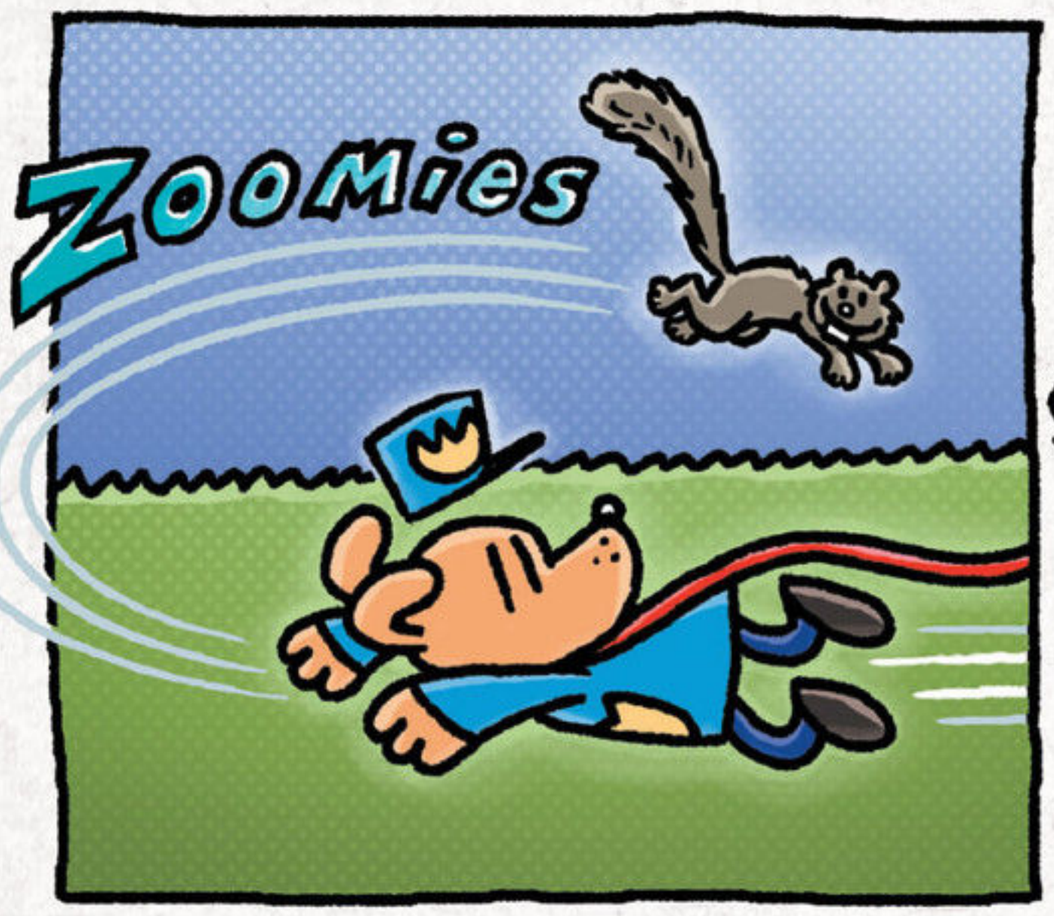
KLUNKA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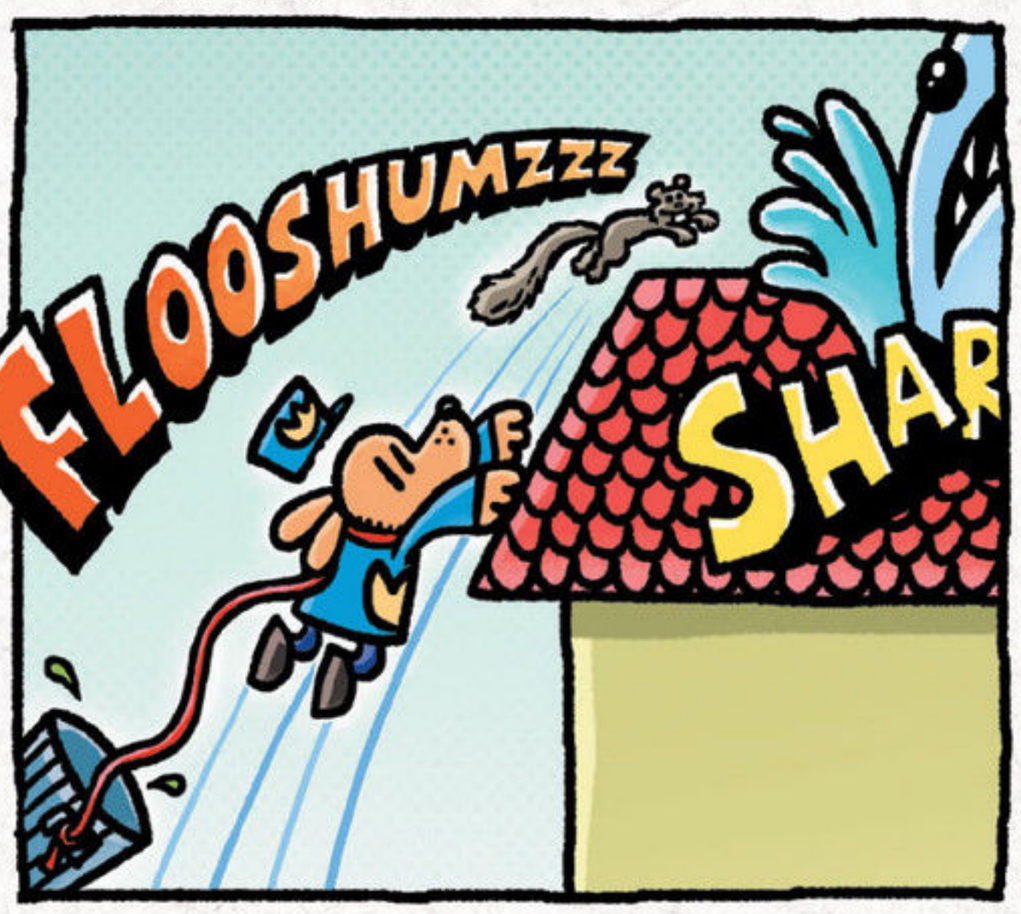
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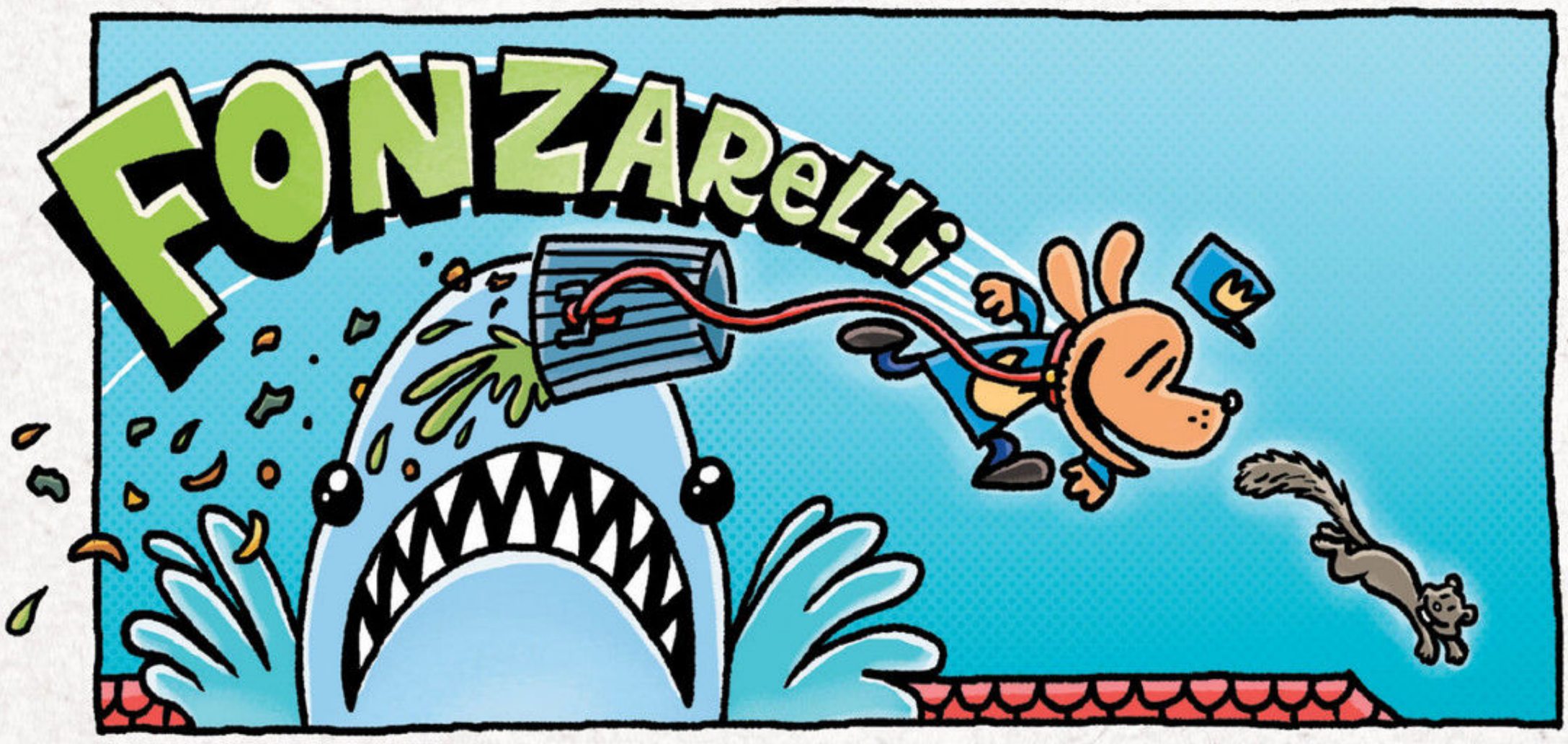
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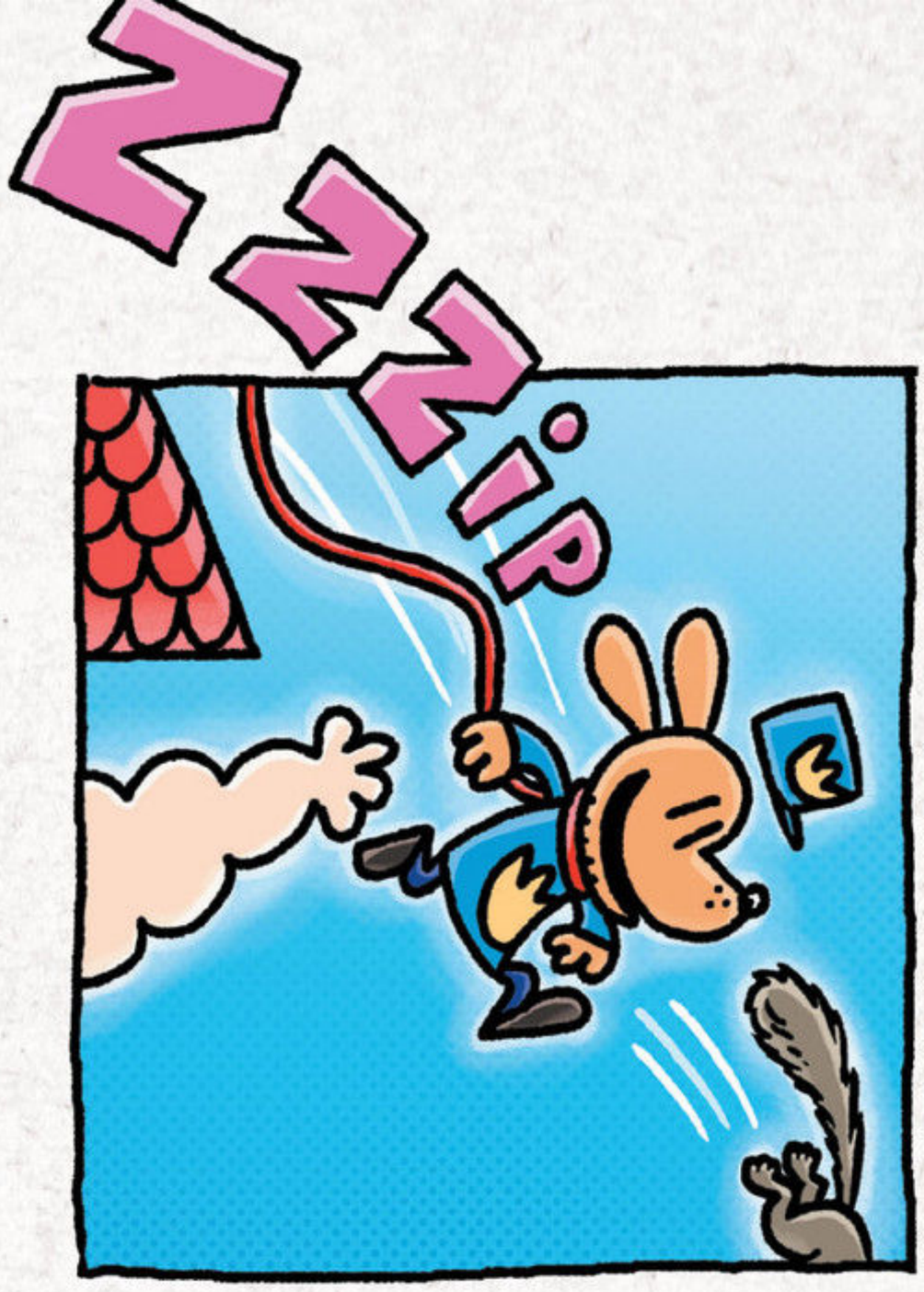
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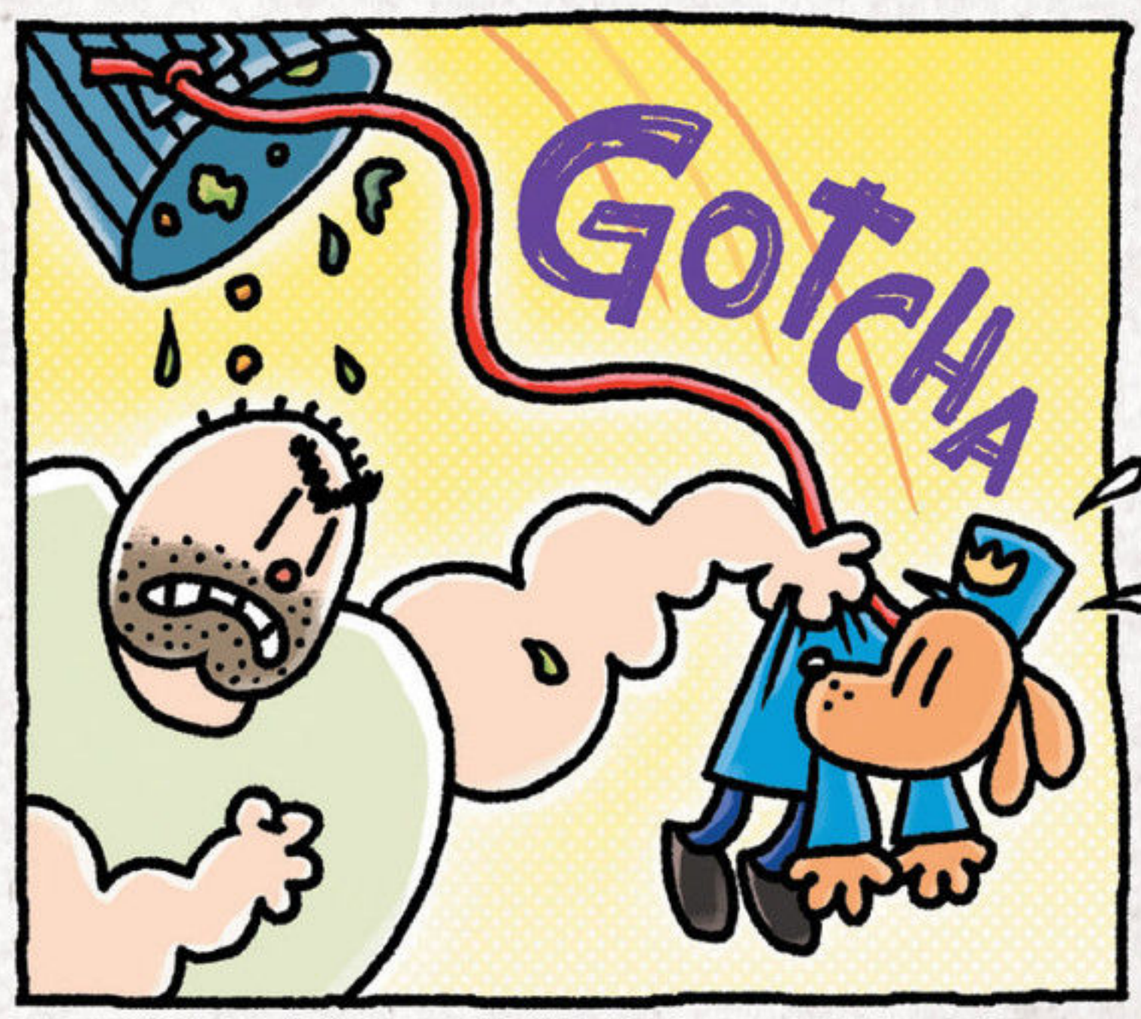
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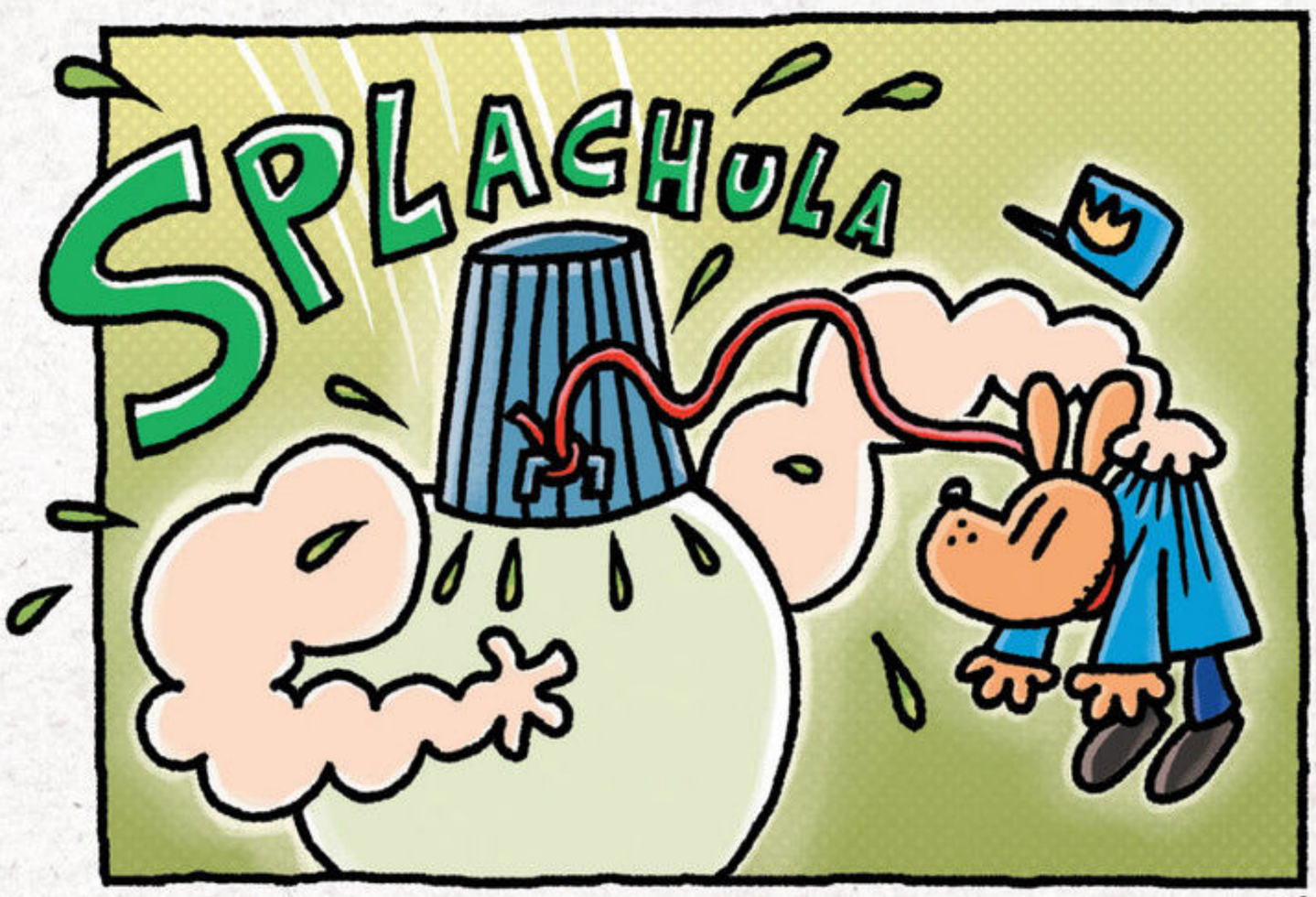
SPLACHOLA

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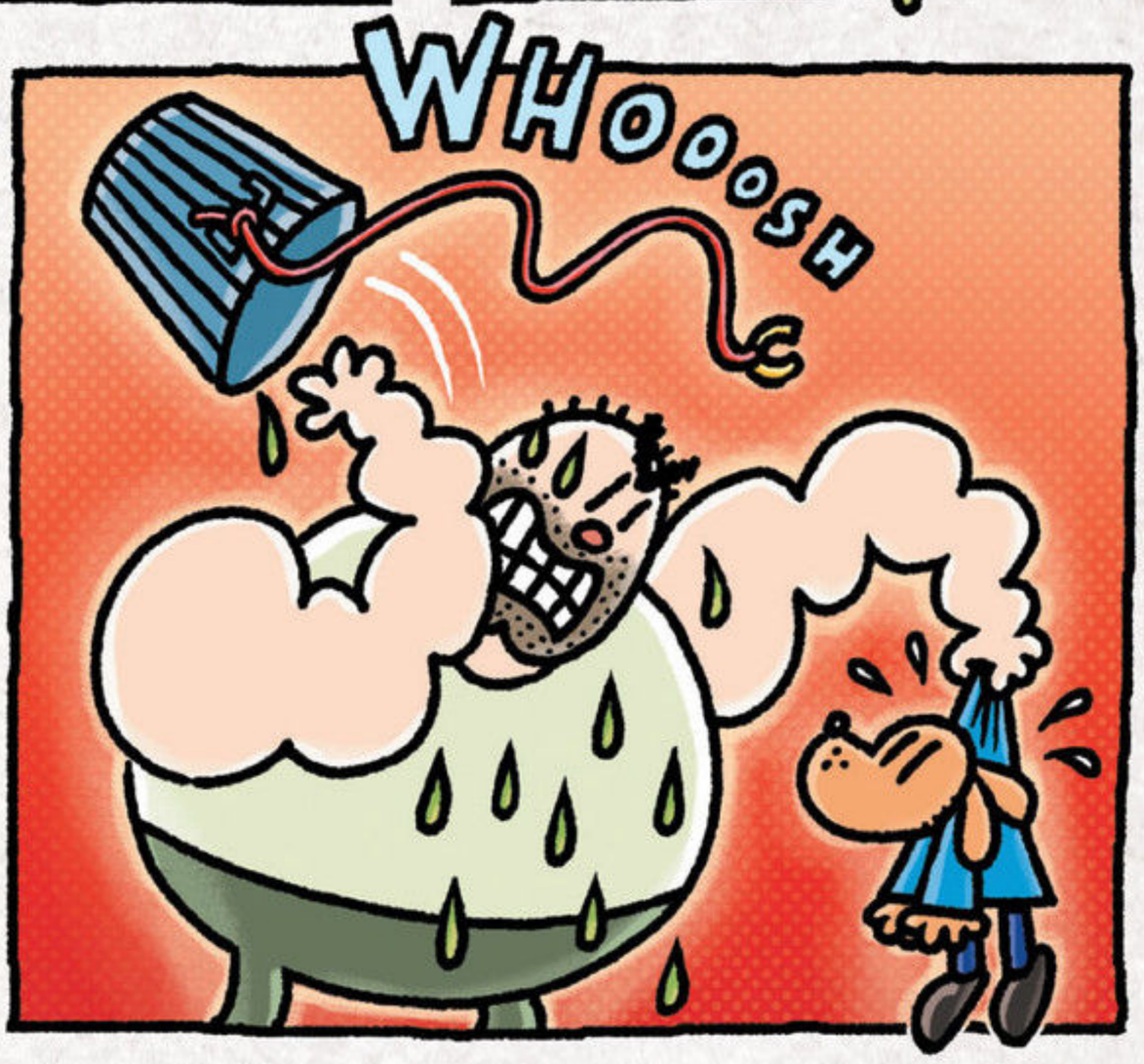
DRIP

unclick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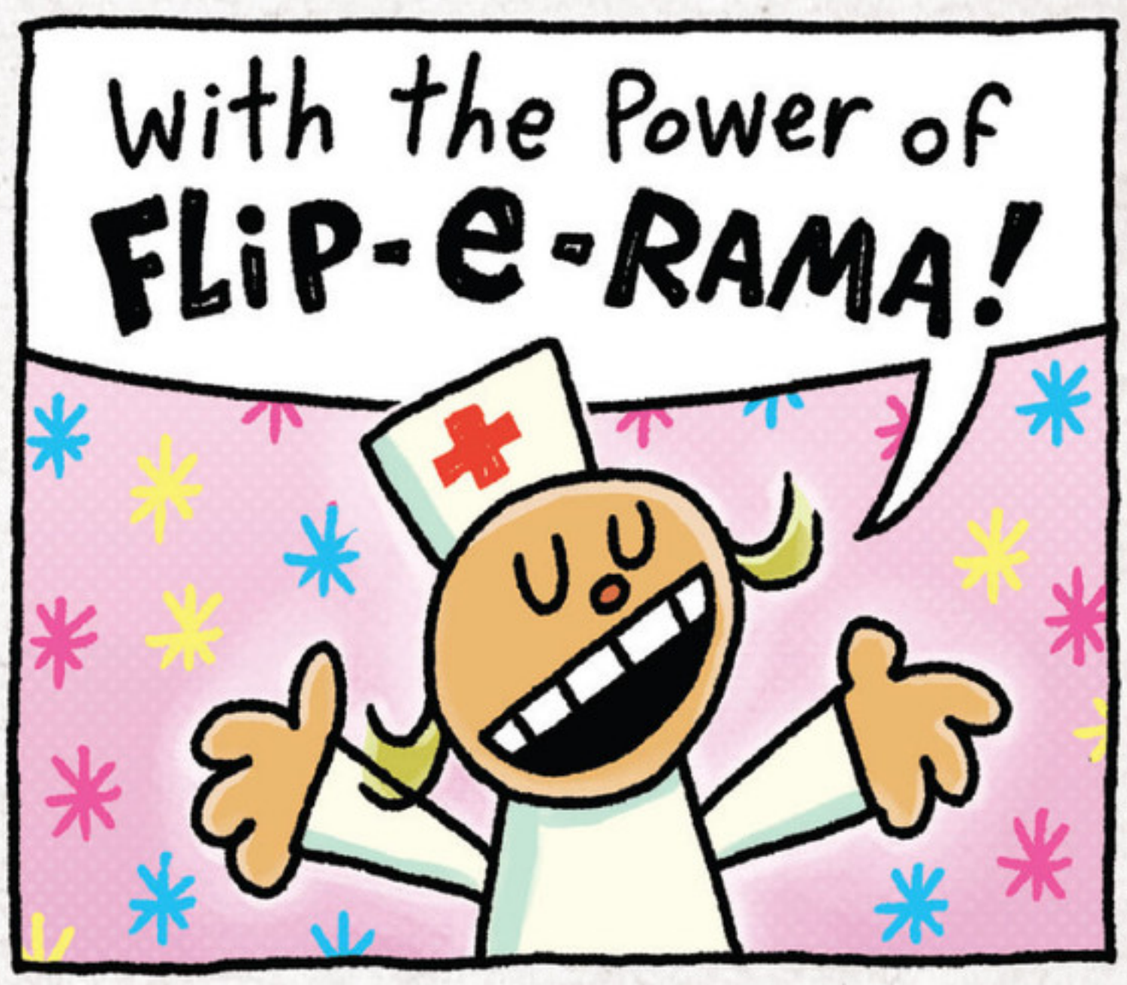

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You Can't tell Me what to Do!

Oh, Yes we...

chief

...CAN!

chief

YOU AND WHAT ARMY?

Him and this FOOTY!!!

CHIEF

LET THE FIGHT BEGIN

READY?

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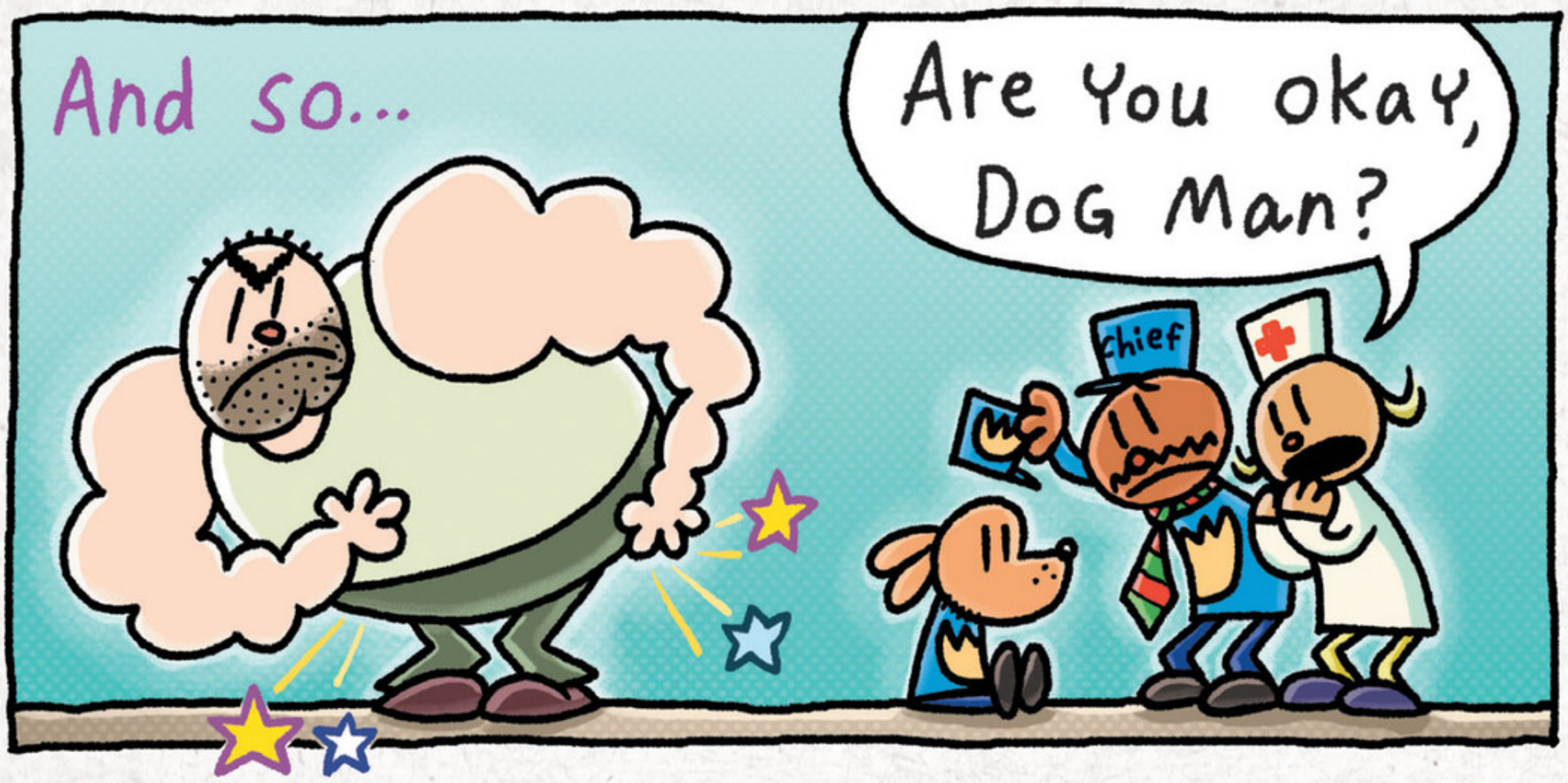
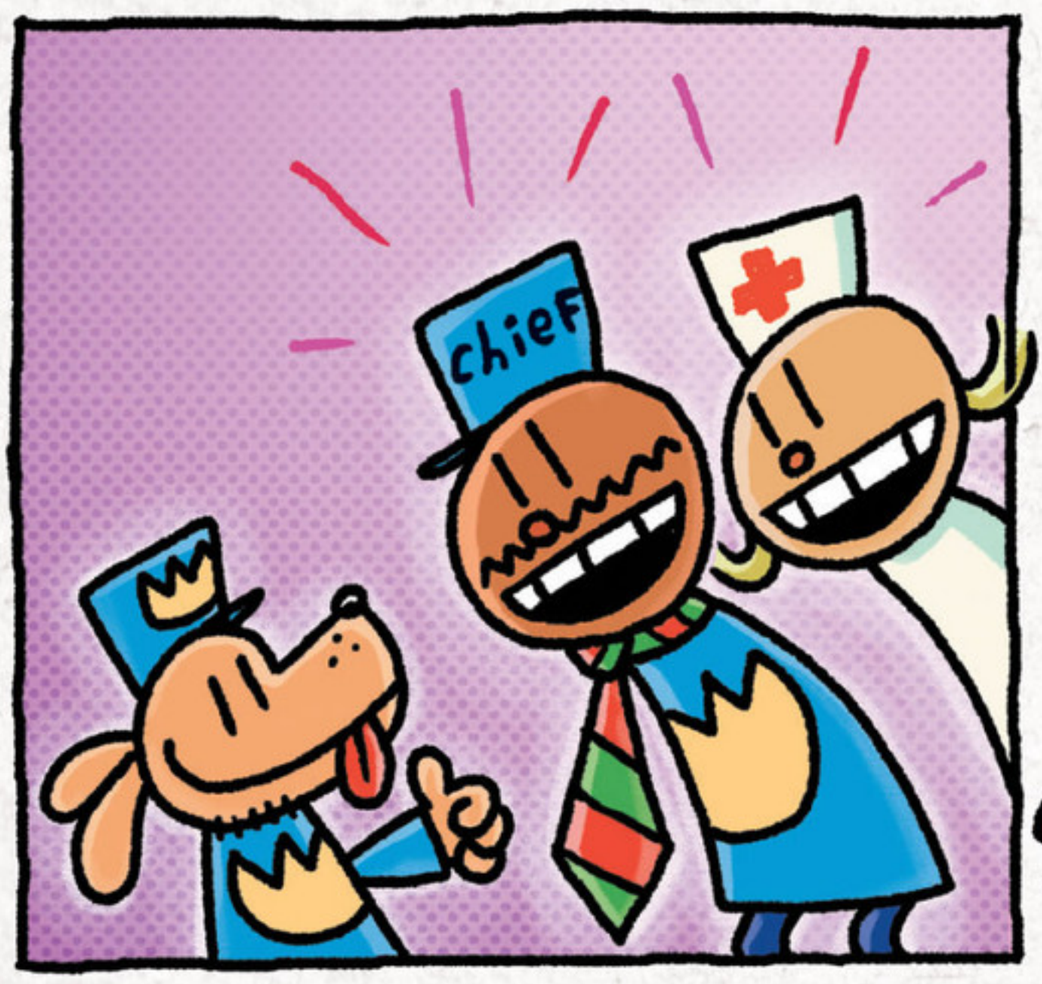
Date Fight

FLIP-E-RAMA

Date Fight


And so...
Are You okaY, DoG Man?
chief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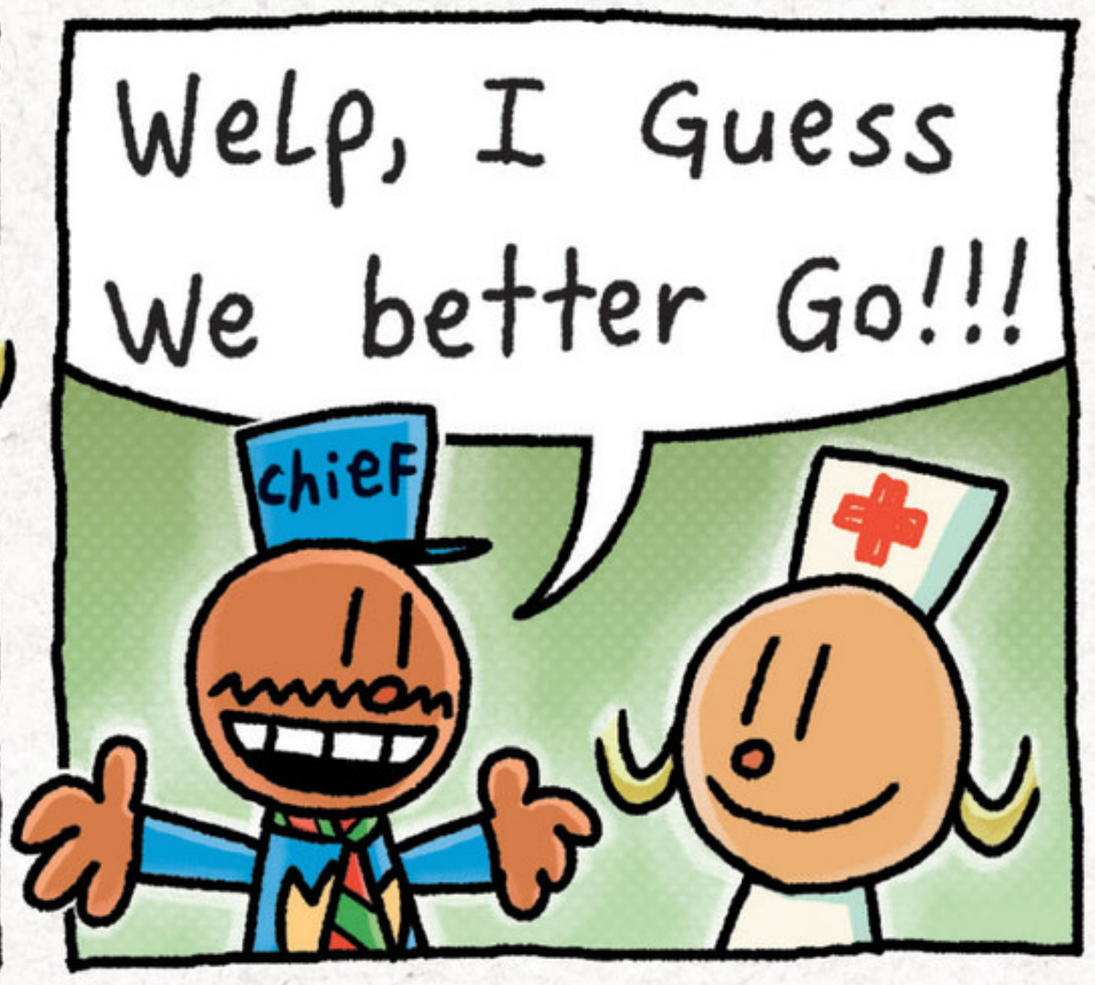
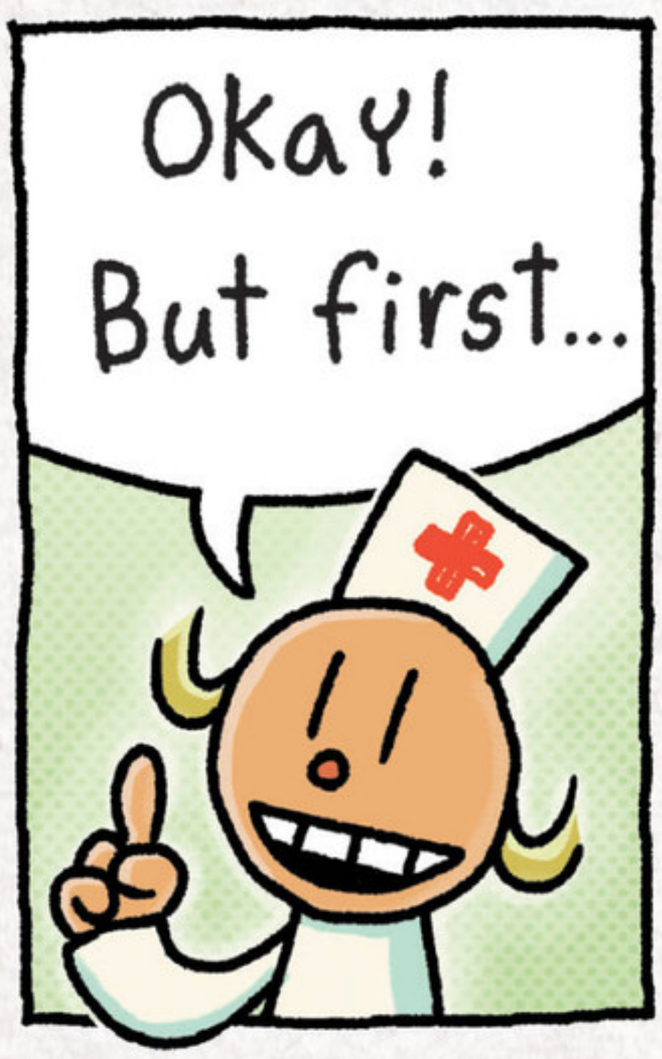

Welp, I Guess We better Go!!!
chief


Okay!
But first...

Pop

Twist

Twist

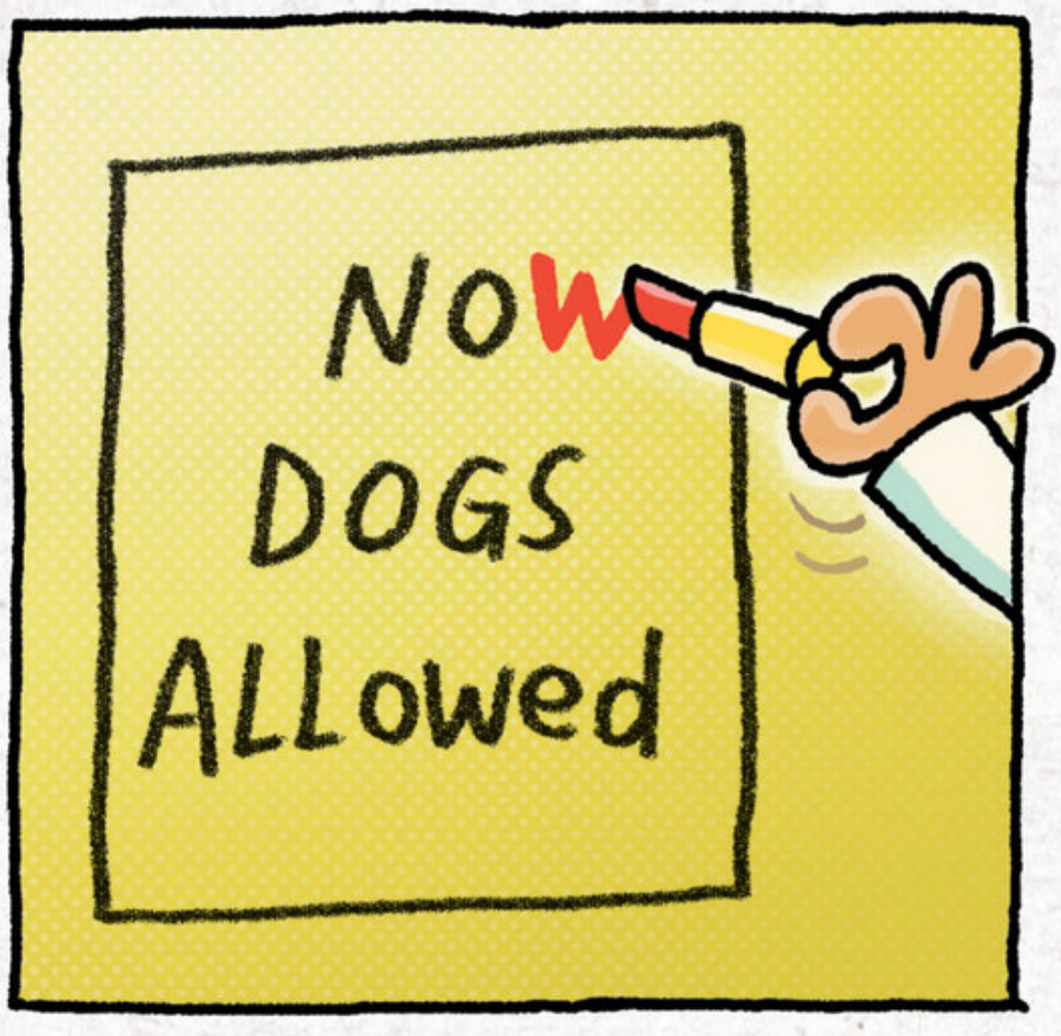
NO DOGS Allowed

chief

NO DOGS Allowed

NO DOGS Allowed

NO
DOGS
ALLowed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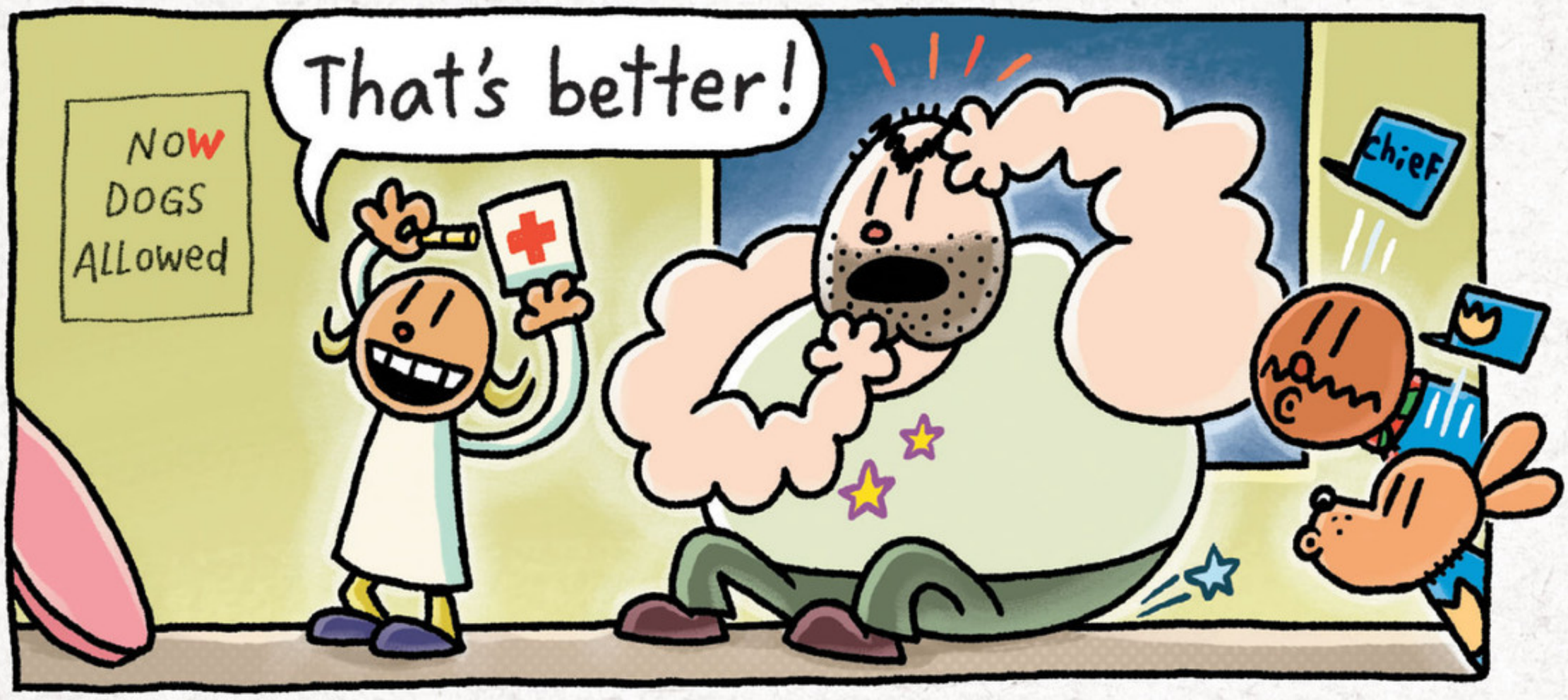
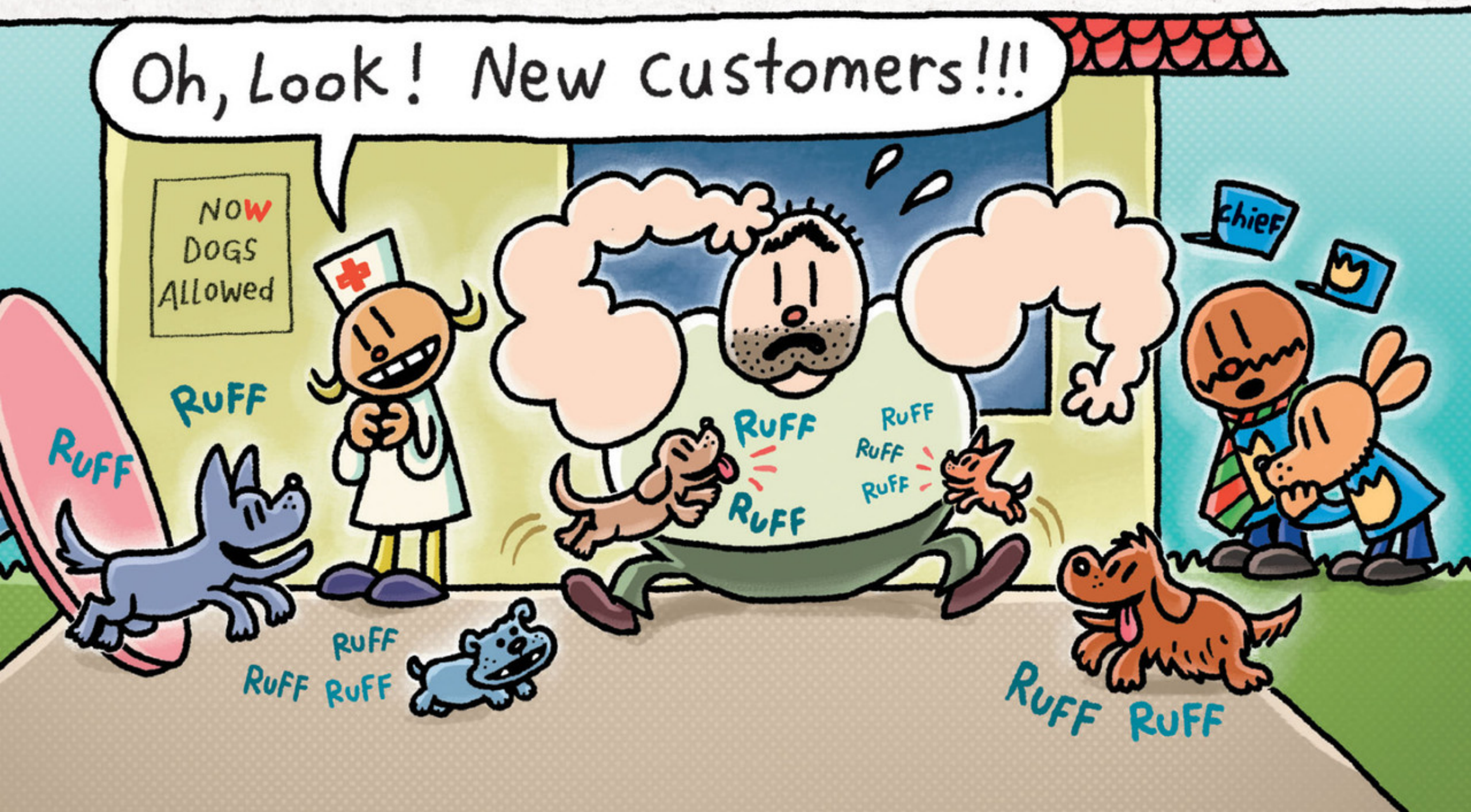

That's better!
NOW
DOGS
ALLowed
Chief


Oh, Look! New Customers!!!
NOW
DOGS
ALLowed
Chief
RUFF
RUFF
RUFF RUFF
RUFF
RUFF
RUFF
RUFF
RUFF
RUFF

How sweet!!!
chief
See Ya later, Sunshine!!!
chief
What's wrong, Chief?
chief

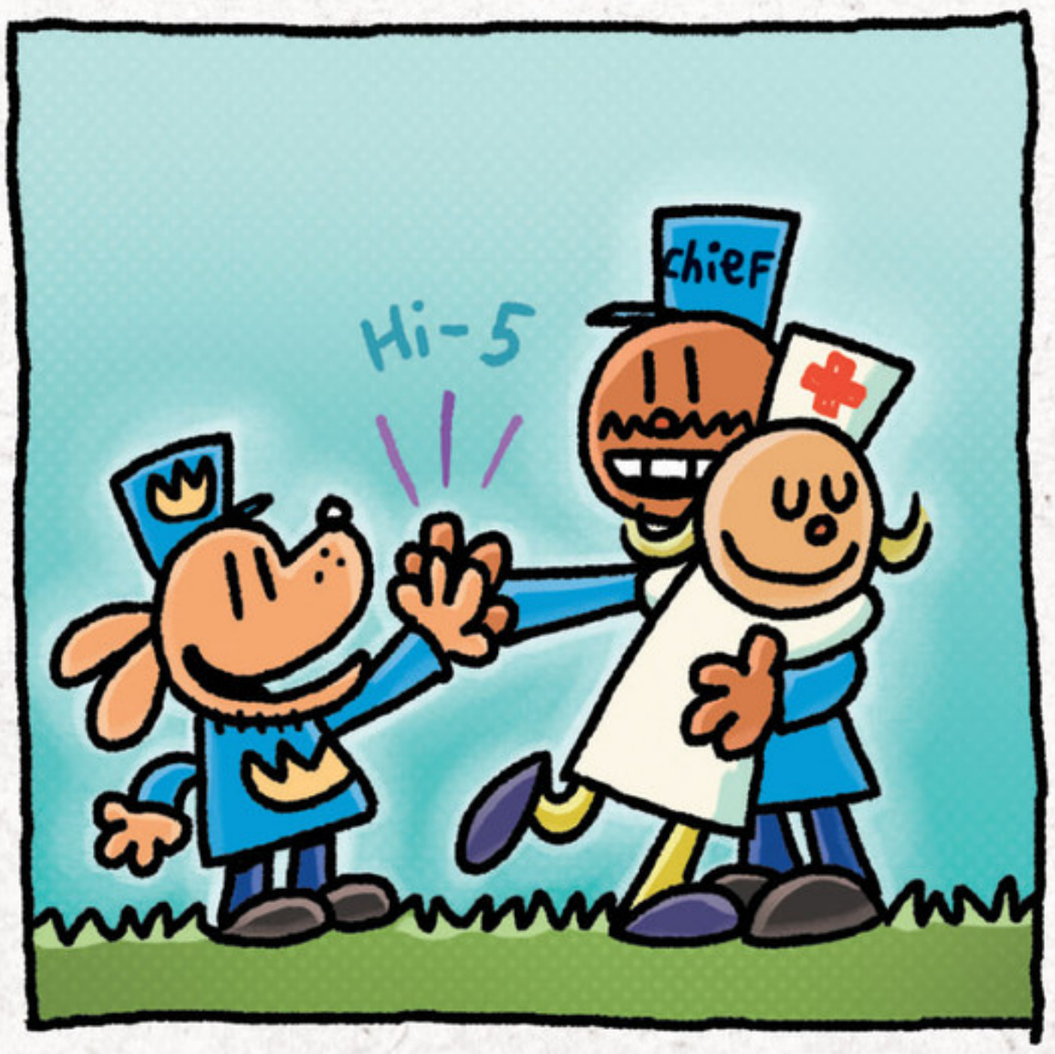
This date was a DISASTER!
chief

Are You Kidding?
chief

This WAS the Funnest DATE EVER!!!
chief

Thanks, Chief!!!
chief

chief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Hi-5

CHAPTER 2

MINI JAIL

By George Beard and Harold Hutchins

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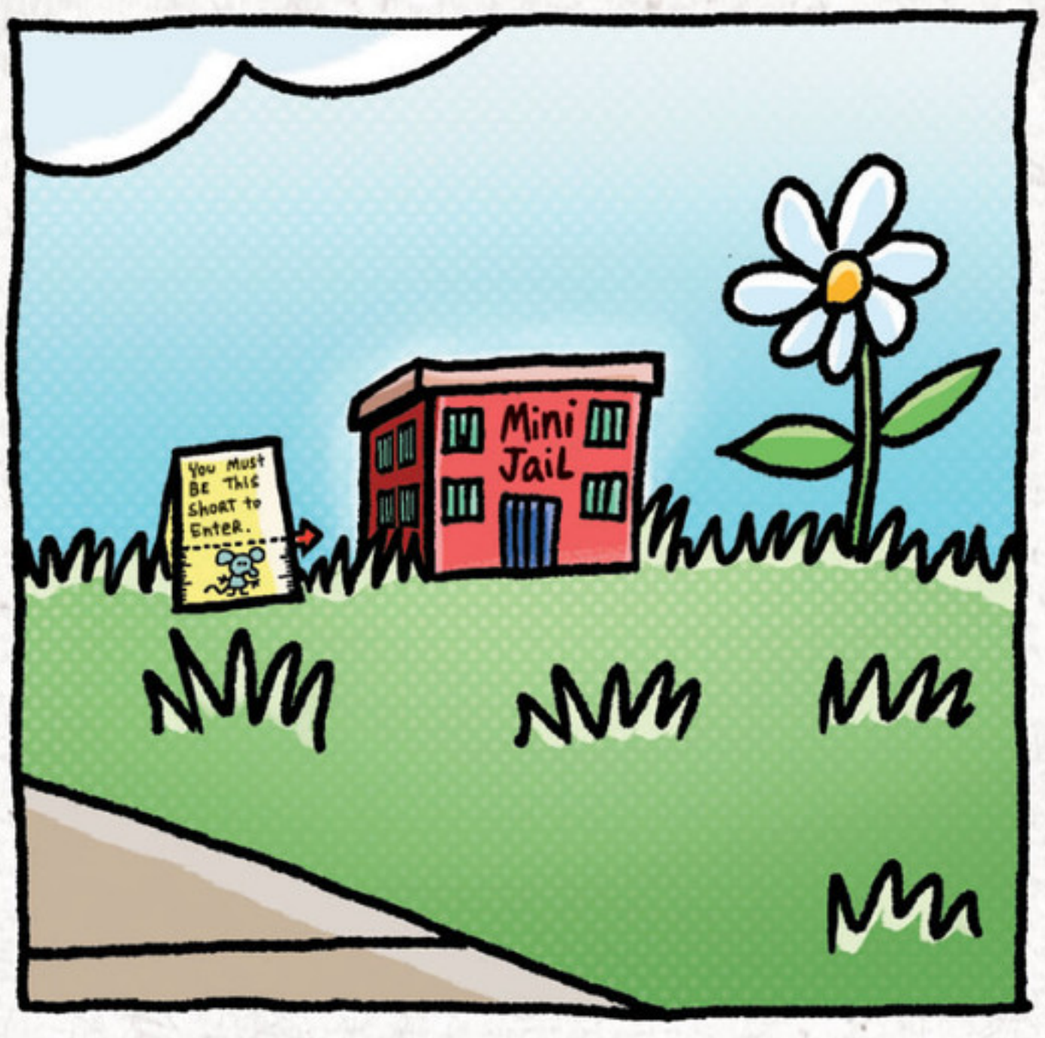

You Must BE THIS SHORT to Enter.
Mini Jail

You MUST Be this SHORT to Enter.
MiNi JaiL

MiNi JaiL

Oh, hi, Piggy!

TODAY'S Lunch
Pizza, Grits, Cupcakes
How's it Going?
Did You Guys get my Secret escape plans?
Yyyyeah...
Well? Did You STUDY Them??
Well... Ummm...

W-w-We don't wanna escape from Mini Jail, Piggy !!!

WHAT? This is MADNESS!!!

But we like it here, Piggy !

Yeah! We like working in the cafeteria!!!

Look at the Yummy Cupcakes we baked!

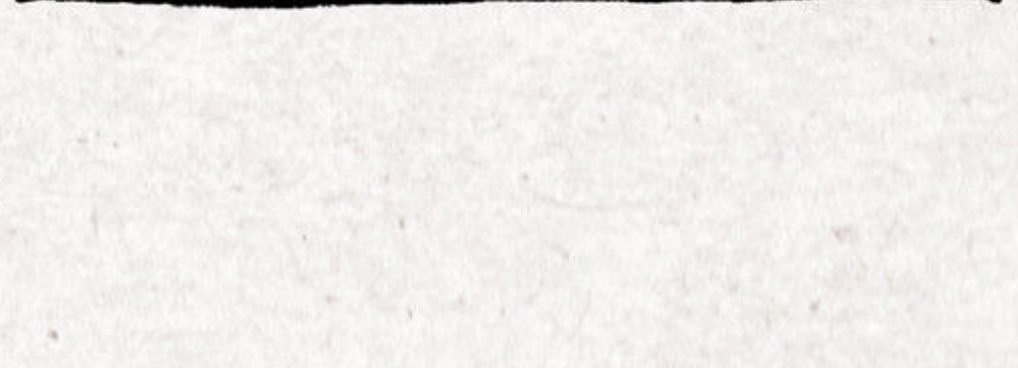
Wanna try one?

NO, I DON'T WANNA TRY A CUPCAKE!!!

I'm Not even HUNGRY ANYMORE!

YOU GUYS MADE ME LOSE MY APPETITE!!

HOW COULD YOU BE SO SELFISH???



MOVE OVER!
NOM
Nom
Nom
Nom
Hey, Piggy, can I have one of your
NO!
I ONLY HAVE Seven Left!

Do You want me to STARVE to Death?

no.

38259

SELFiSH!!!

38259

Hey, Piggy! You've got a visitor!!!

38259

DARYL!!!

IT's About Time!!!

Hey!!!
38259

SWiPe
38259

PeeL

FLinG
74449

SMUNCH
SMUNCH
38259
74449
74449
38259
59
VISITING
ROOM

Soon...

Hiya, Piggy!

Piggy

Well? Did you bring it???

Aren't you even going to say hello?

Hello, DARYL! Did you bring the CANNERY GROW?

No!

NO??? Why NOT?

They don't make it anymore. The factory was destroyed!!!

But I brought you something even BETTER!

Piggy

Swipe

Piggy

CRinkle CRinkle CRinkle

744

Piggy

744

Piggy

What's This?

Piggy

It's your COSTUME!!!
Piggy
COSTUME?? What For?
Piggy
For our CLUB, Piggy!!!
Piggy
Don't you remember the Friendly Friends?
SLap!!!
I Just recruited TWO New Members!

And I figured, if we're Gonna be **superheroes...**

...We're Gonna need **COSTUMES!**

These are the **MOST RIDICULOUS COSTUMES I've EVER Seen!**

They Look Like **BABY CLOTHES!!!**

WHo Would be **DUMB** Enough To wEAr SomeThinG Like THiS?

Hiya, PiGGY!!!

'Sup?

PLOP

Aw, LooK! We Touched PiGGY's heart!!!

With FRiendLY PoweR!!!

WAAAAAAA

CHAPTER 3

HELPING PAPA

ALRiGht, We've Got a **LOT** of **WORK** to do...

FLiP FLop FLiP

FLOP FLiP

FLop FLiP FLOP

...So I don't want You two **PLAYinG!!!**

Why?

Because we've Got to **RebuilD** our **LAB!!!**

Why?

Because I need a Place to Live!!!

Why?

Because I can't keep living at Dog Man's house!

Why?

FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP

BECAUSE YOU GUYS ARE SOOOO IRRITATING!!!

Why?

Because You're **NOISY...**

...You're **MESSY...**

... And You think **everything** is **SOOOO HILARIOUS!!!**

Why?

Because You—

CUT THAT OUT!

Why?

ARE YOU JUST GOING TO BE A WISE GUY ALL DAY???

Yeah, Probably.

WELL, THAT'S JUST GREAT!

YOU PROMISED TO BE GOOD TODAY!!!

YOU BEGGED TO COME WITH ME!!!

YOU SWORE TO BE HELPFUL!!!

But we haven't even STARTED...

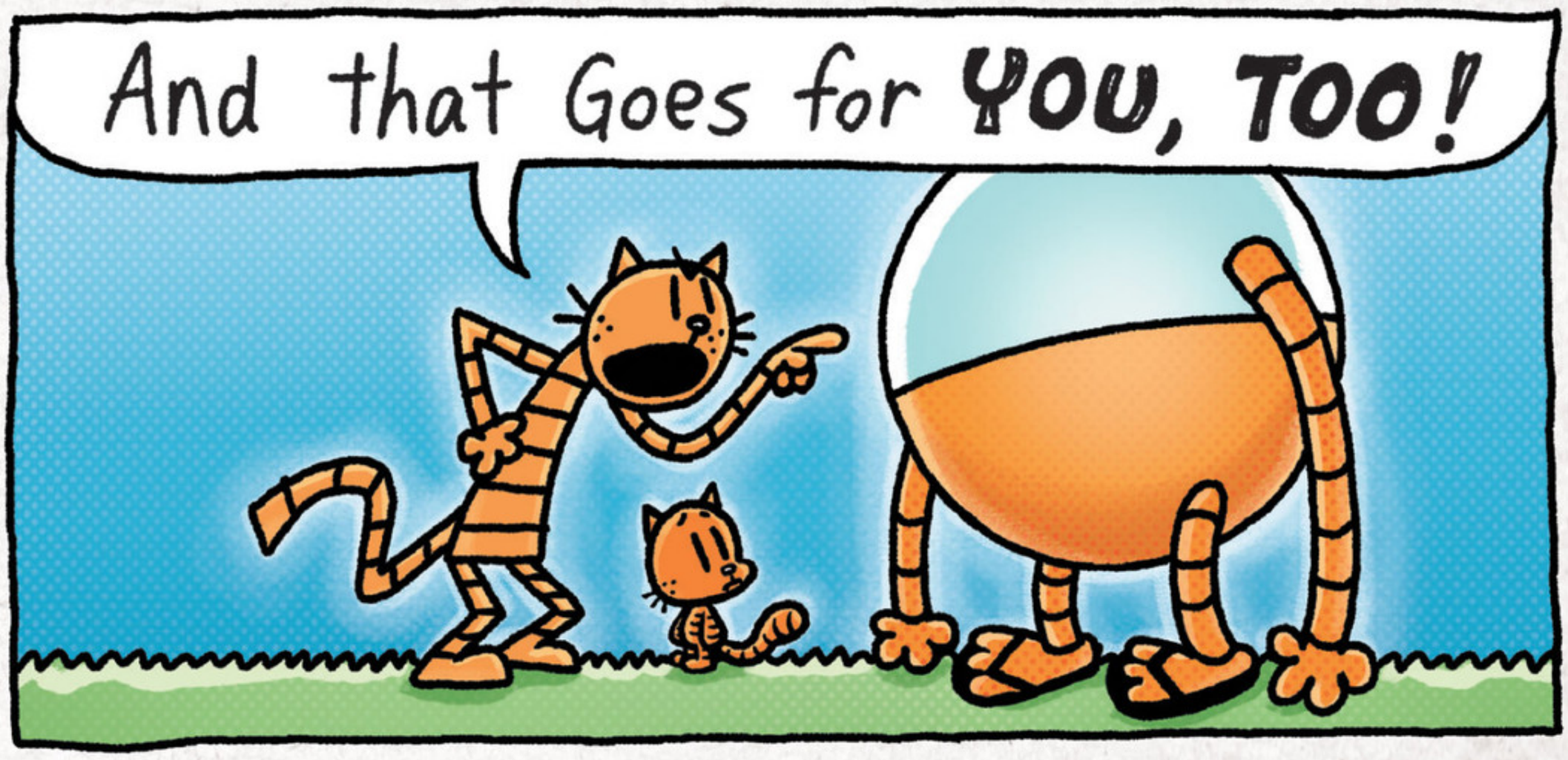
... And You're ALREADY being A BiG PAin!!!

I'm Sorry, Papa.

This is NOT PLAY-Time!

Do You hear me?

You Are Not here to PLAY!


And that Goes for YOU, TOO!

NO PLAYinG!

NO PLAYinG!

NO PLAYiNG!

Hi, Guys!

Do You want to play?

Okay!

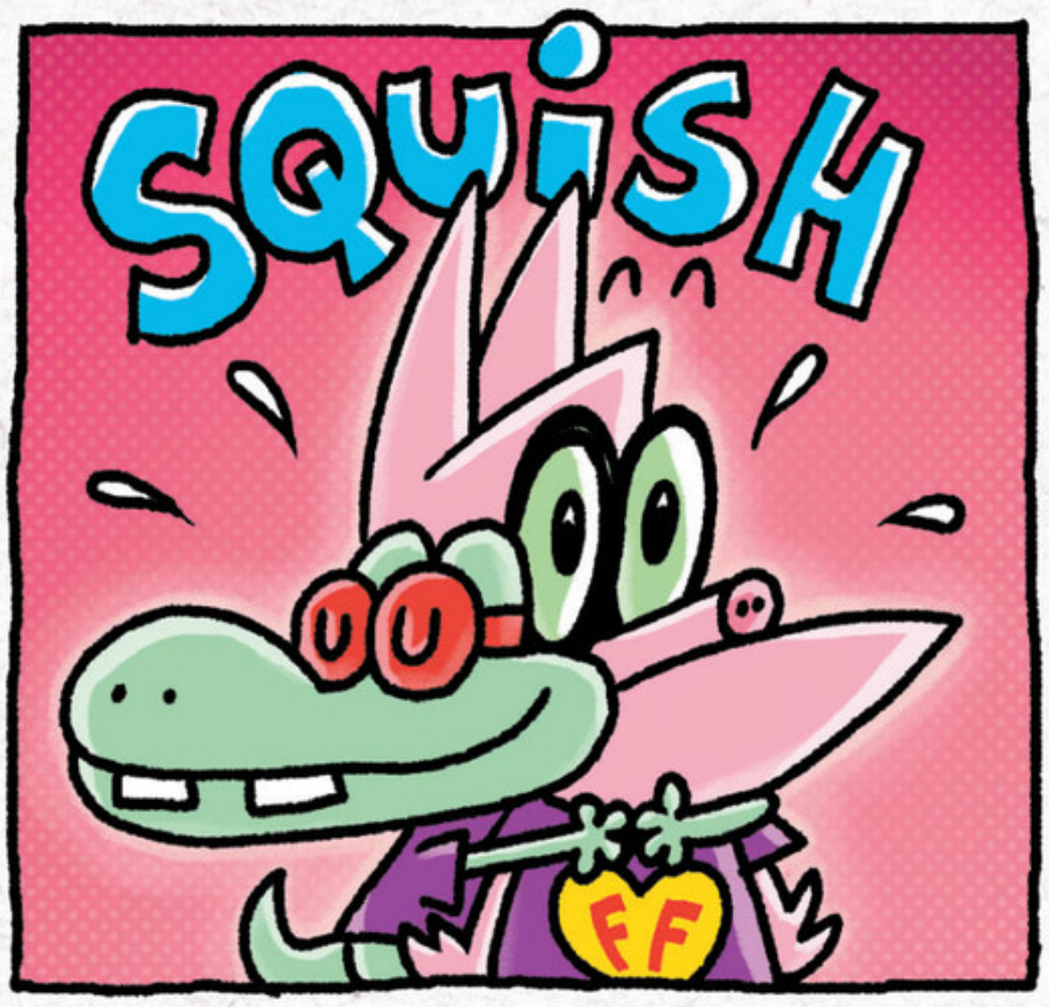
Let's **GO!**

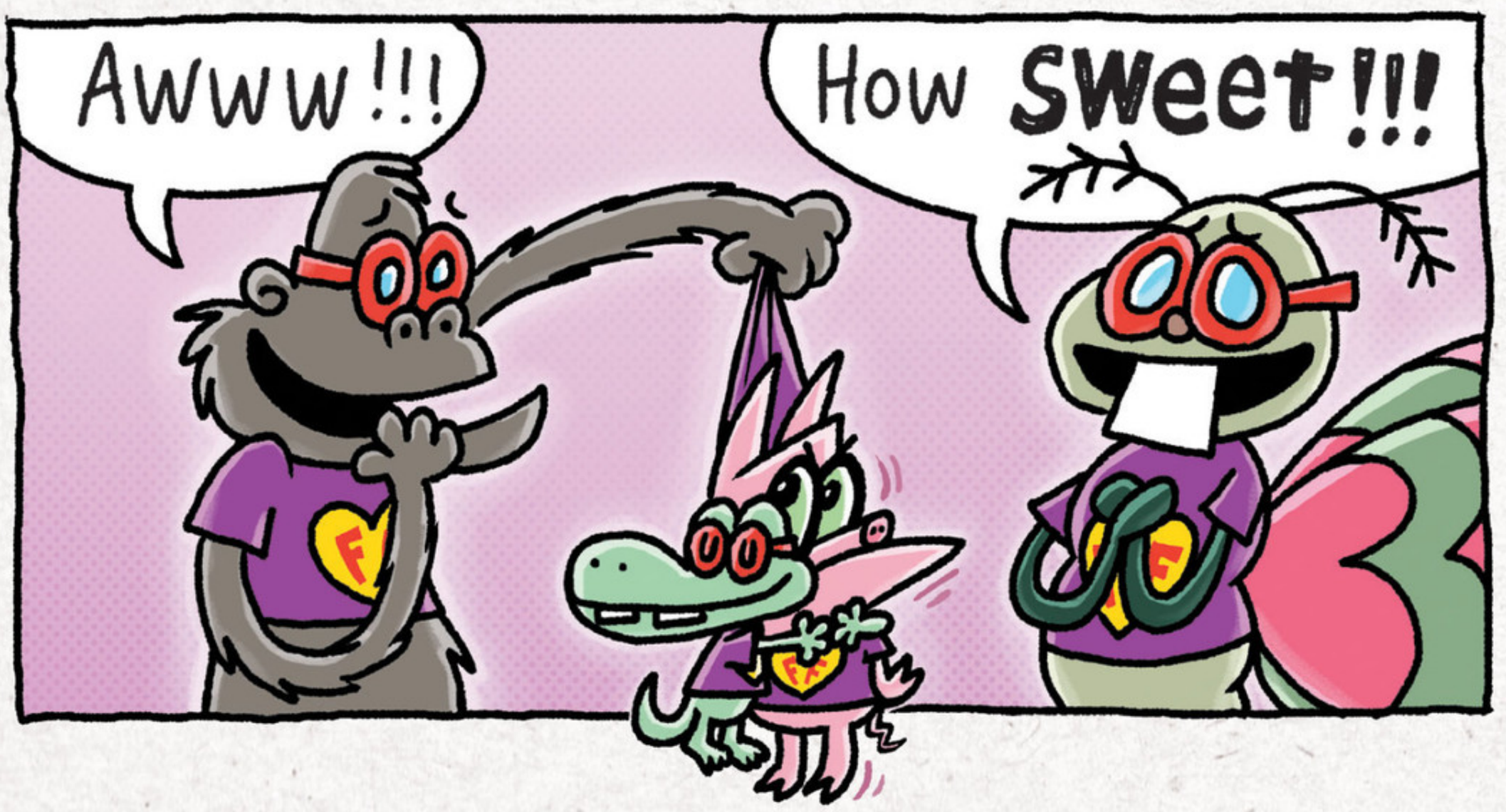
FLiP FLop FLip FLop FLip FLop FLip FLop FLip FLop FLip FLop

Meanwhile...
GRRRRR
GRunt!!!
UGHRRR
PUFF
PUFF
PUFF
PUFF
PLUP
PLUP
It's No use!
I CAn't Get this
RiDiCULOUS
SHiRT OFF!

I think PiGGY needs our HeLP!!!

How about a
FRiendLY
FRiend HUG?


SQUiSH


Awww!!!
How sweet!!!

SQUASH

Let Go Of Me!

IF You Three BUG BRAins WAnt to HELP...

...Then Get my ESCAPE PLANS...

...STUDY them...

...And...

BOOM

...And...

BOOM

WHOA!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

BOOM

It's An EARTHQUAKE!!!

BOOM

BOOM

The WALLS ARE CRUMBLinG!

We're ALL GONNA Die!

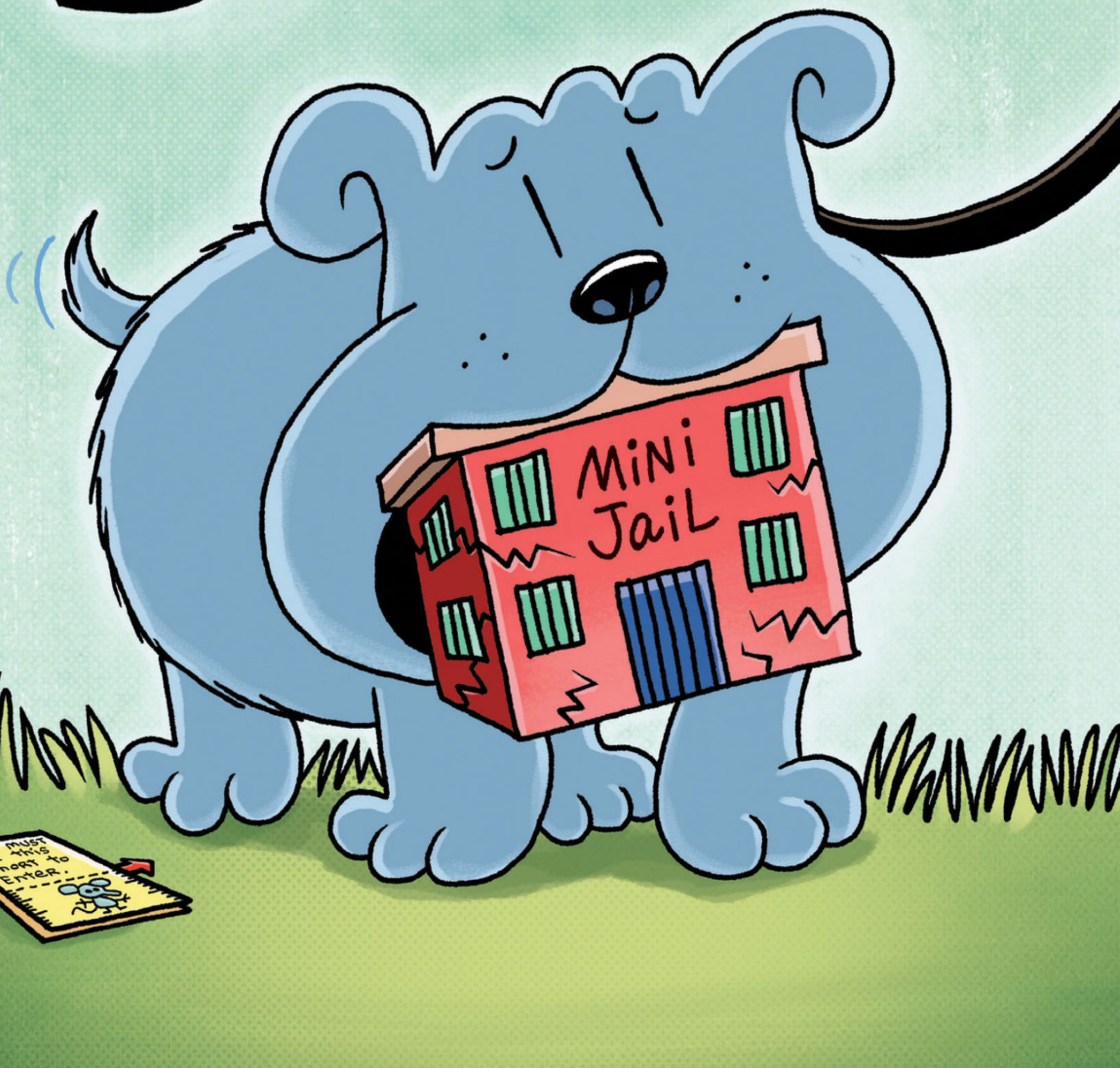
BYe-BYe, CrunKY!!!

So LonG, Bub!!!

WHAT COULD Be CAUSinG this UNFAthOMABLe CALAMiTY?

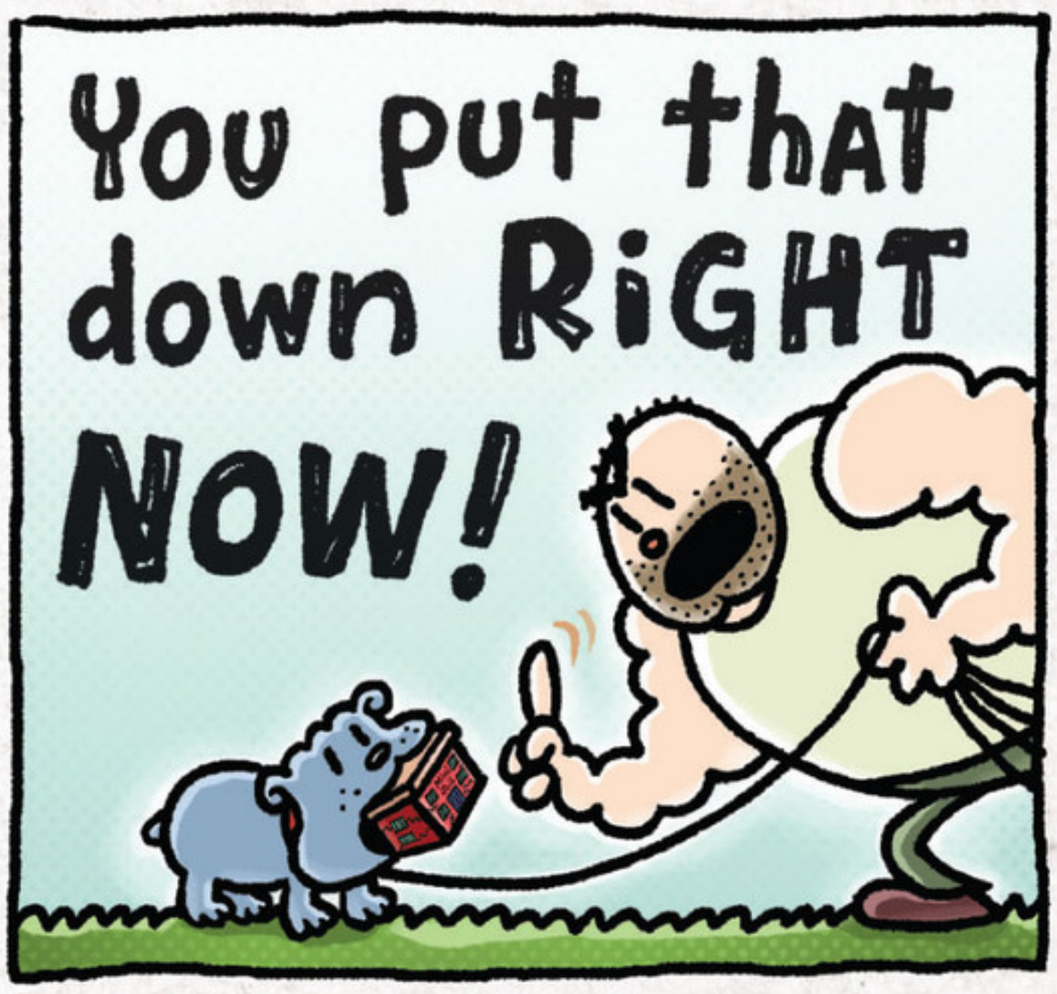
Chapter 4

Bad Mister Stinkles



Hey!!!

That's A BAD Mister Stinkles!


You put that down RiGHT NOW!

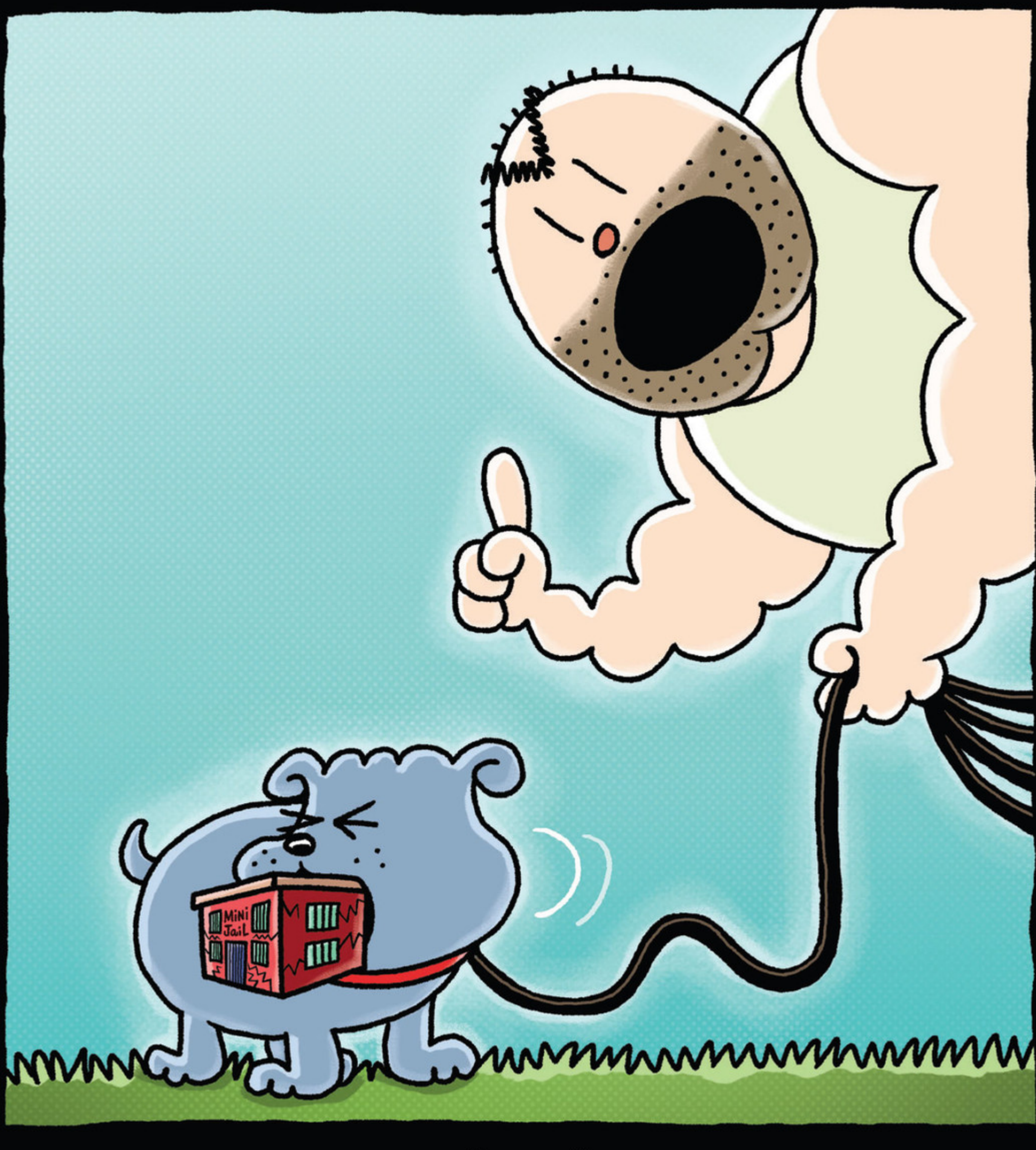
Drop it...

DROP it...
MiNi Jail

STiNKLE RAMA

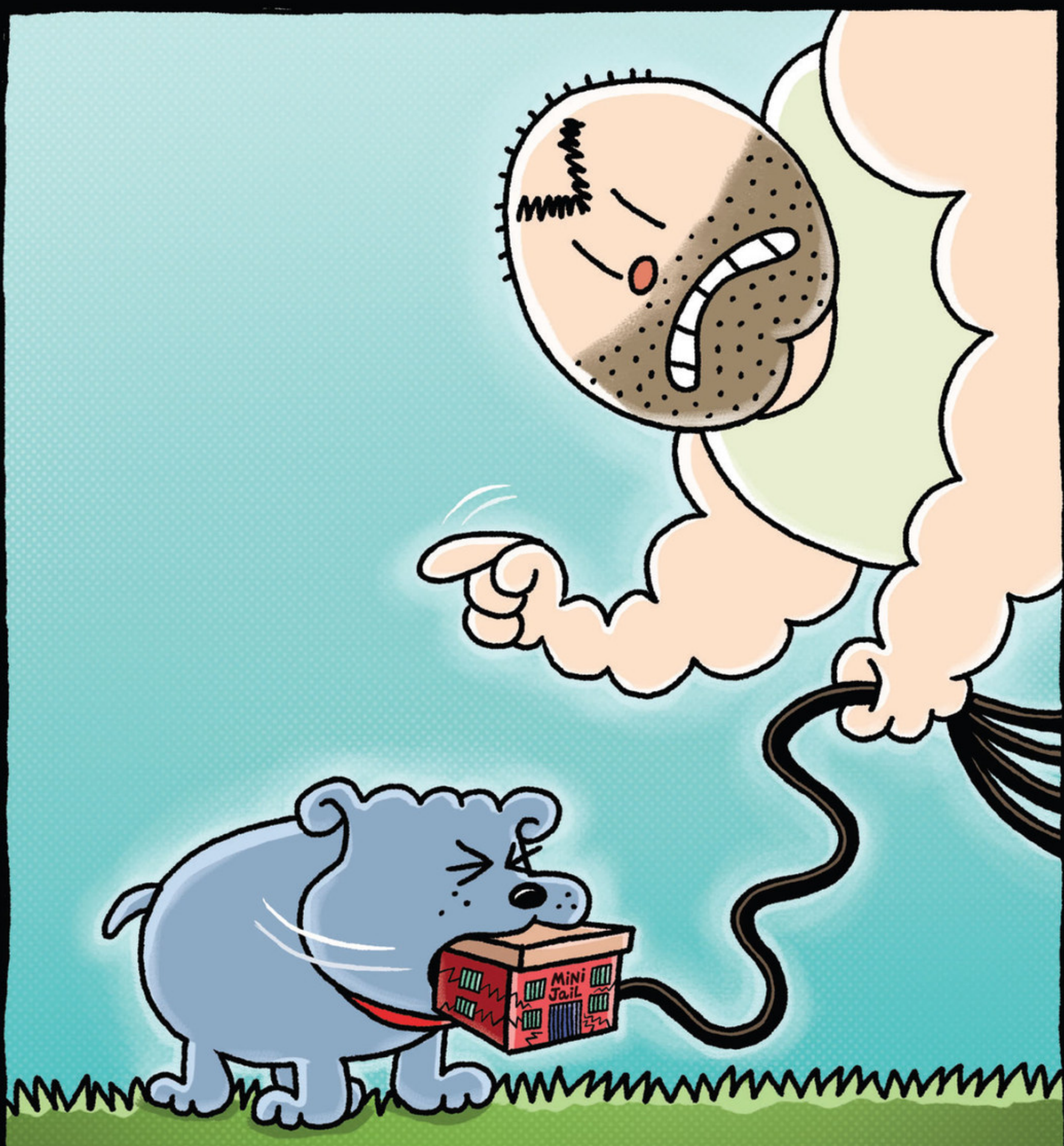
READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA



...You Drop that MAXimum Security CorrectionAL FACiLity Right NOW!!!

FLIP-E-RAMA



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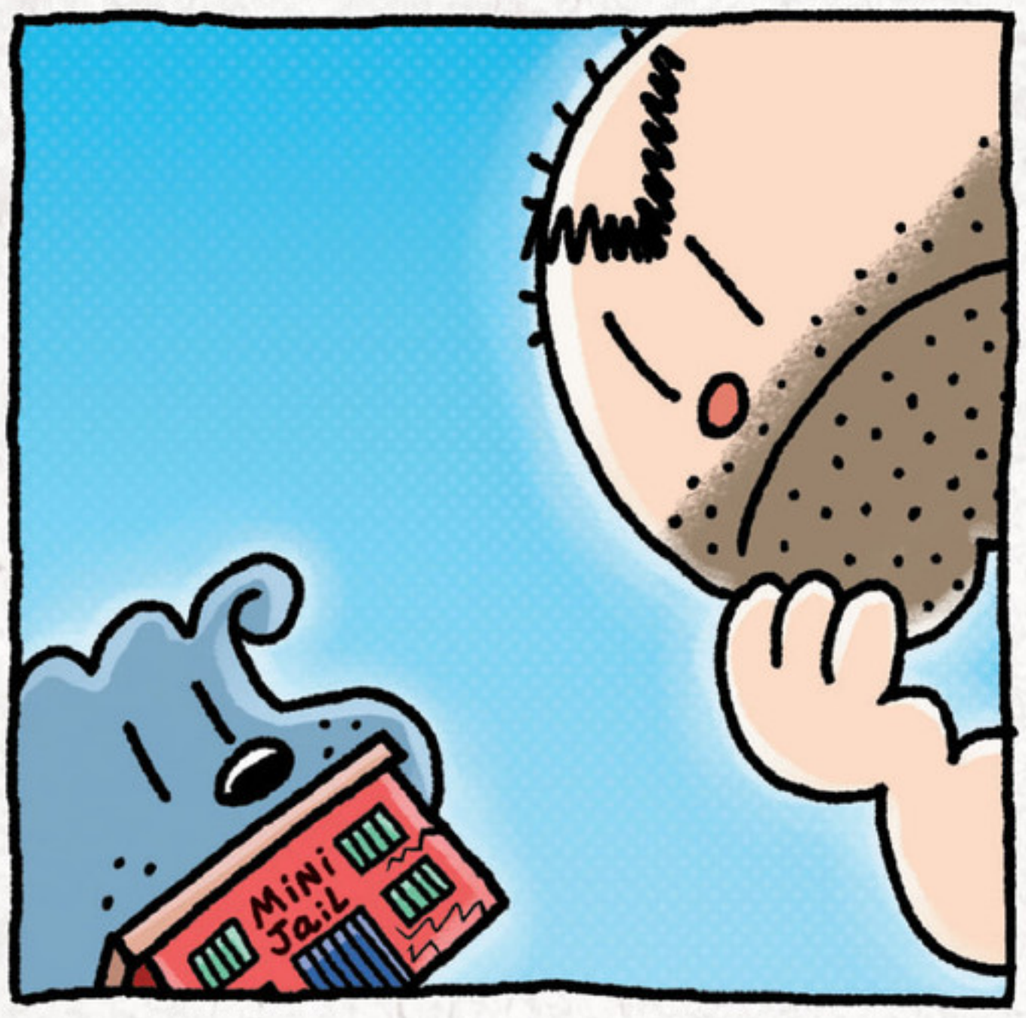
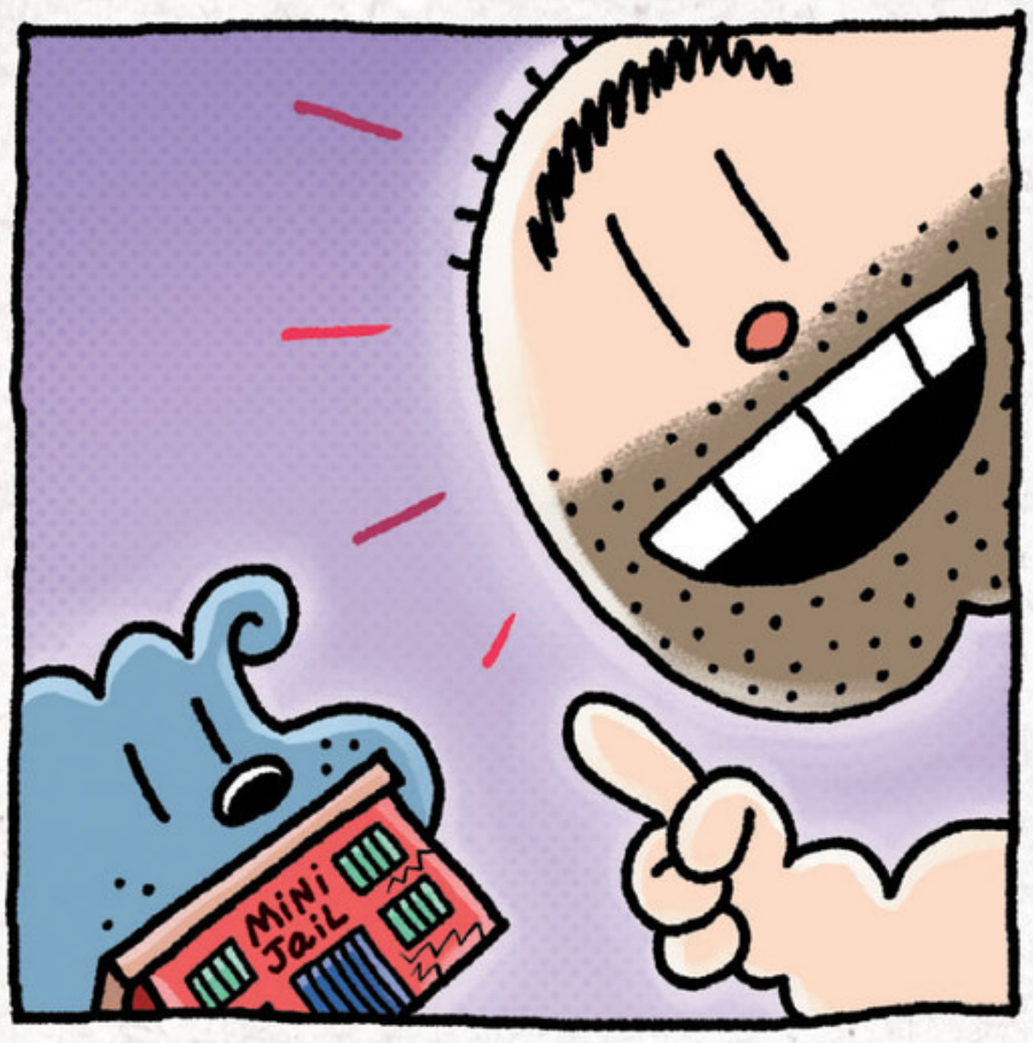

MiNi
Jail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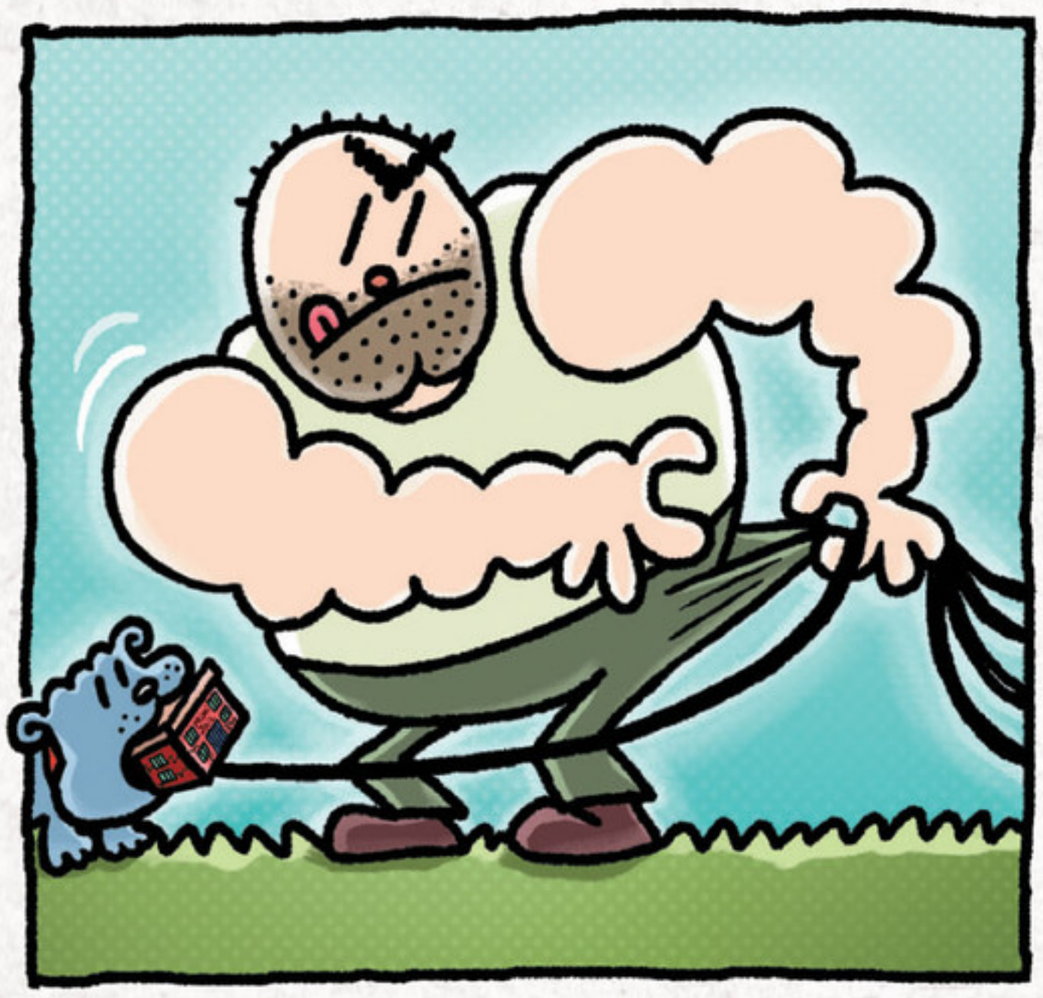
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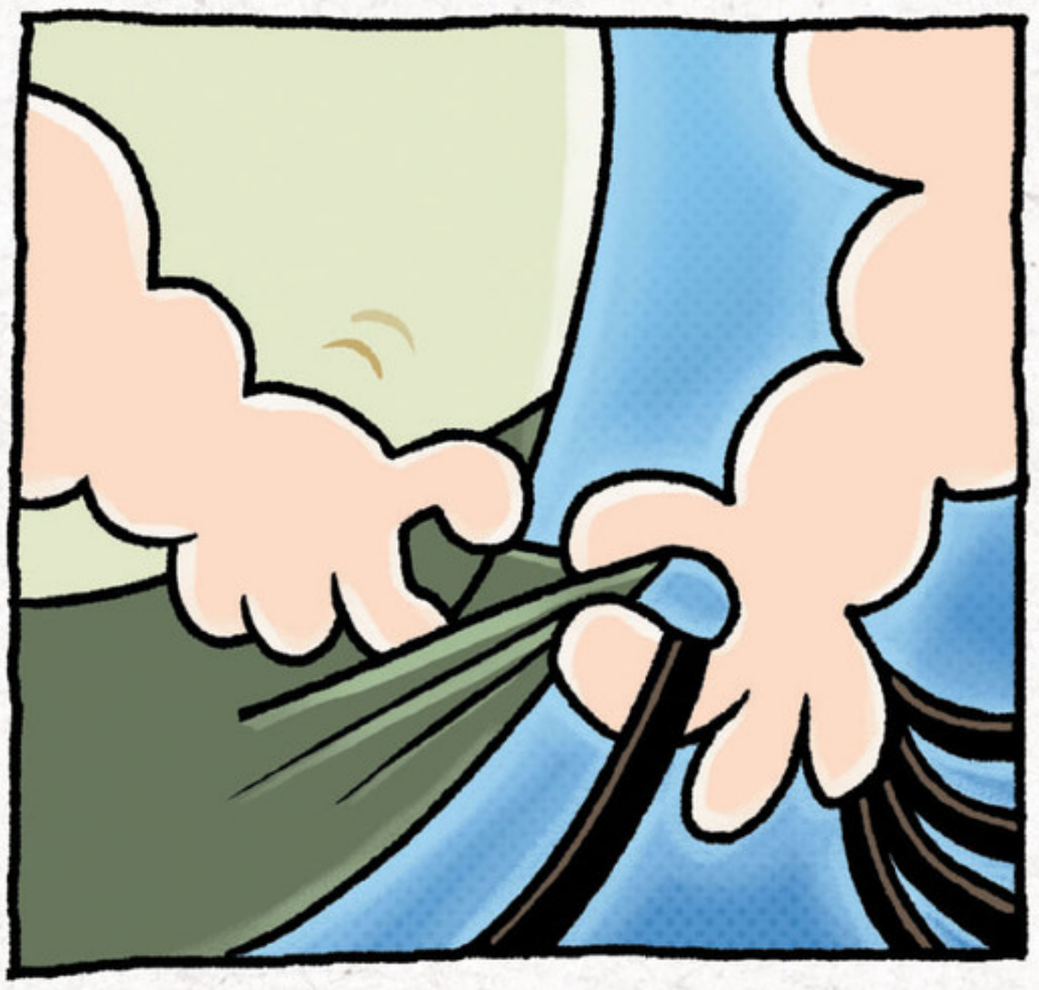
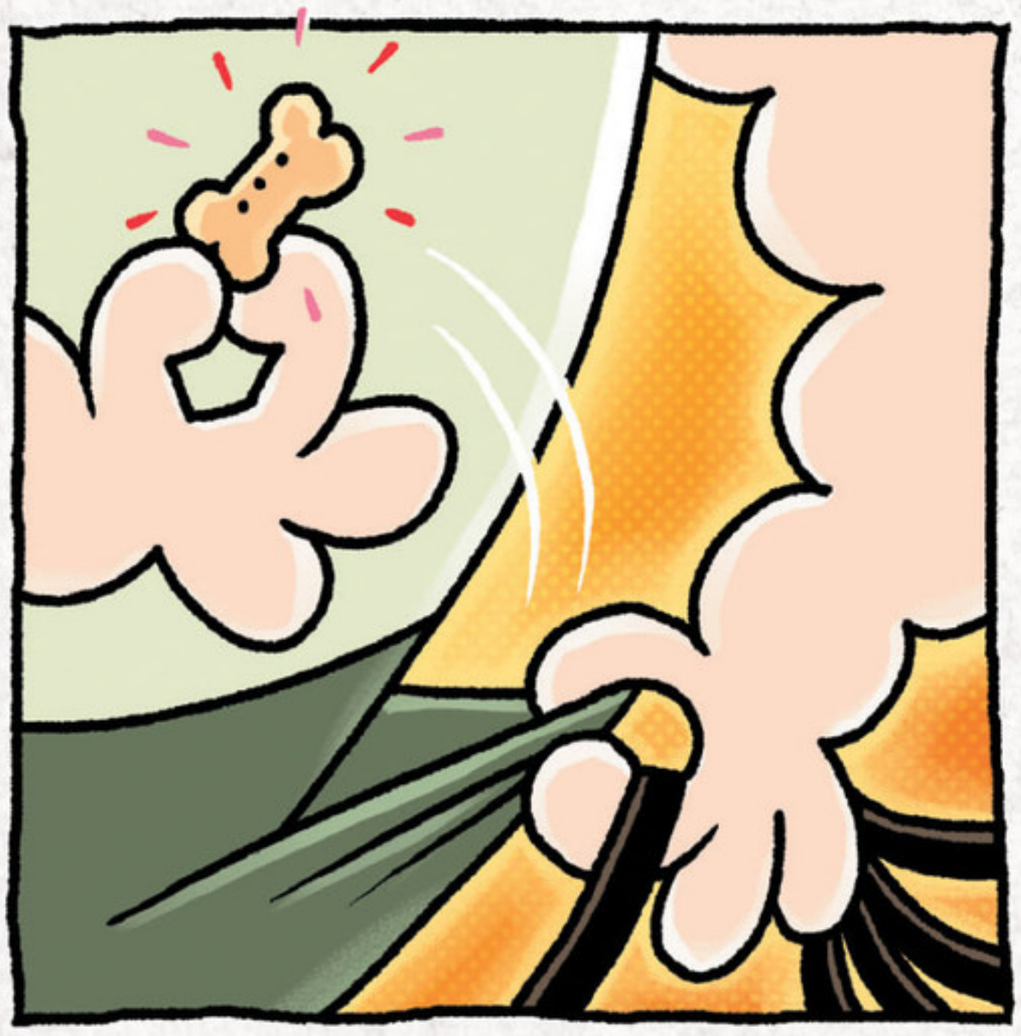




Sniff
Sniff
MiNi
Jail

KRACK

FLiP

Pat
Pat
Pat

Munch
Munch
Munch

Good Mister Stinkles!!!

Well...

...Come on, Crunky!!!

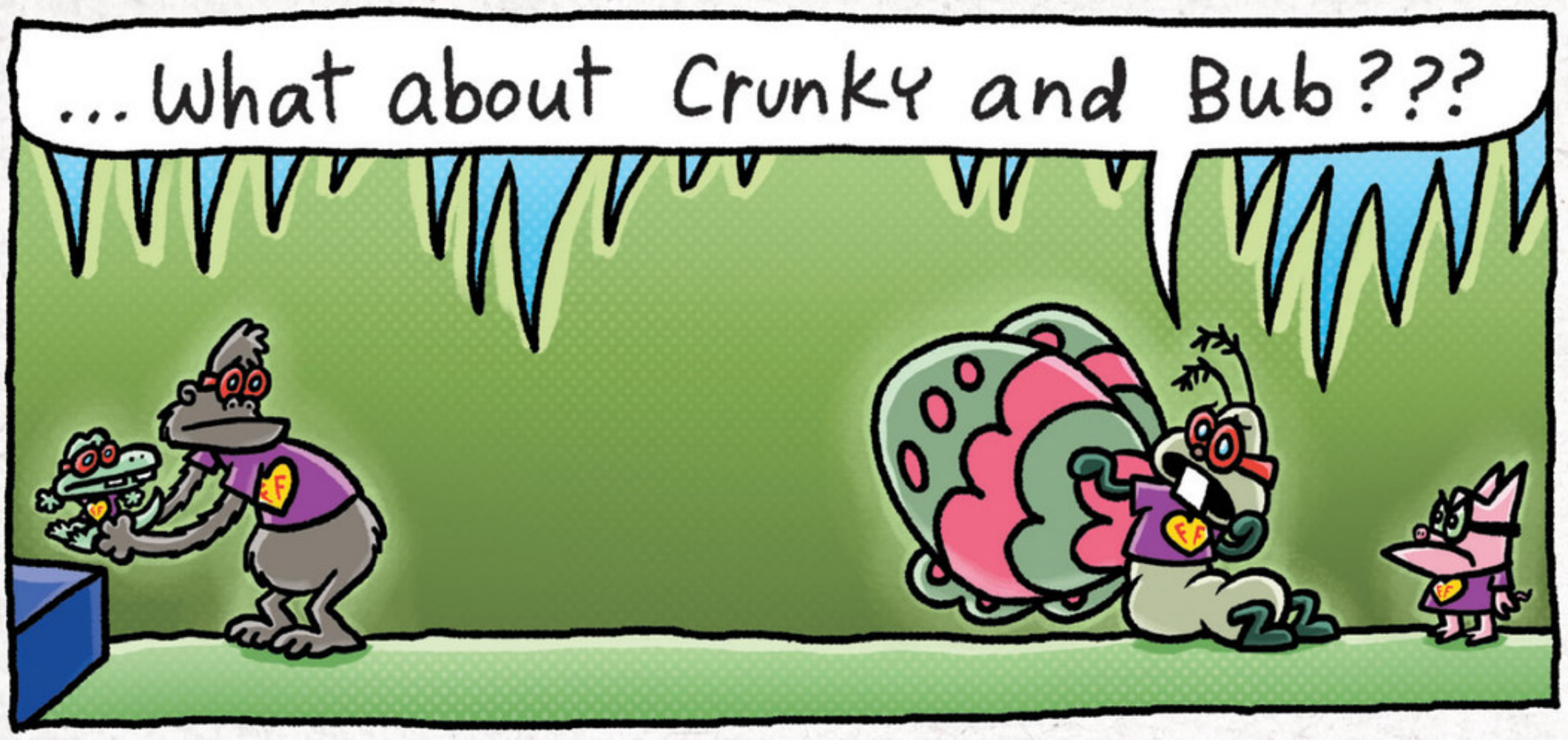
Where ARE you two GoinG?

We're Gonna find Your Secret Plans...

...and figure out how to **ESCAPE!**

Okay, Daryl— Let's Go!!!

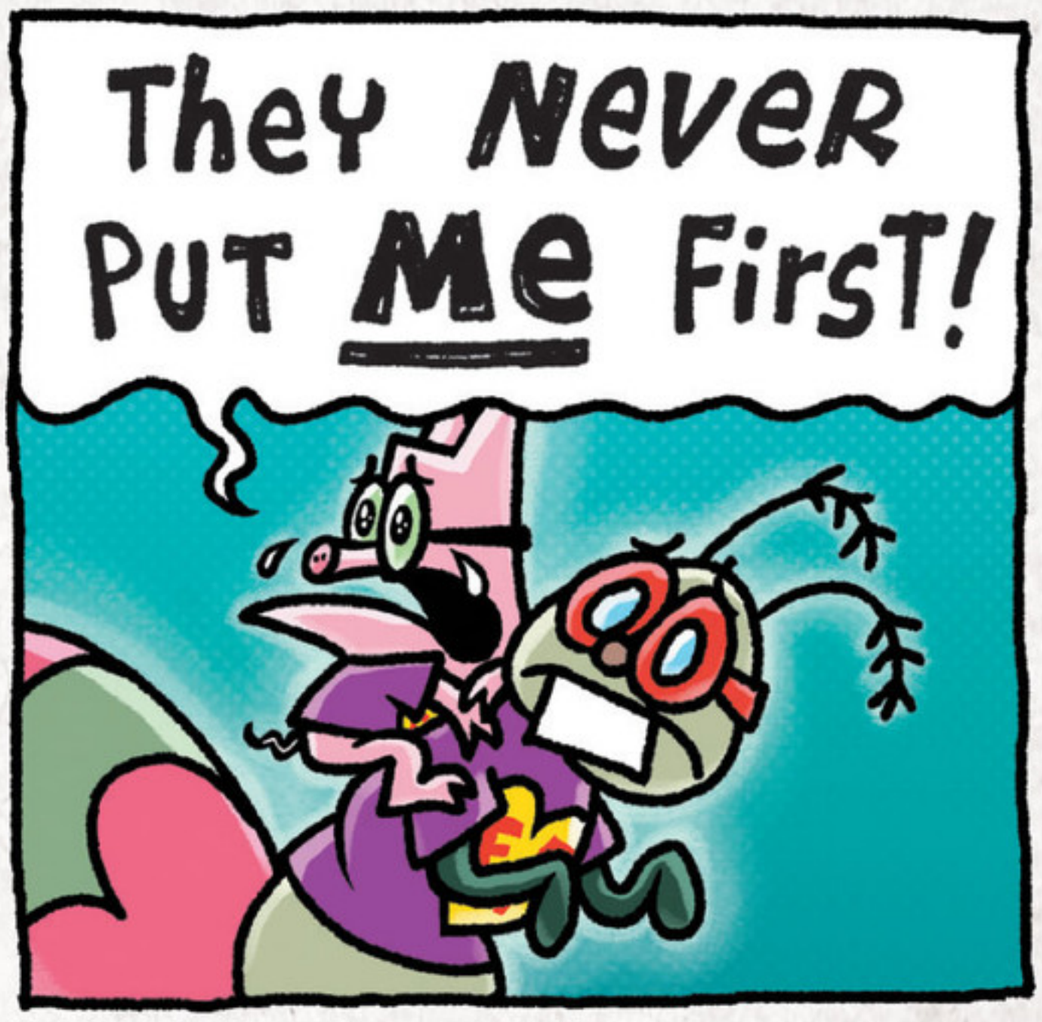
But, Piggy...

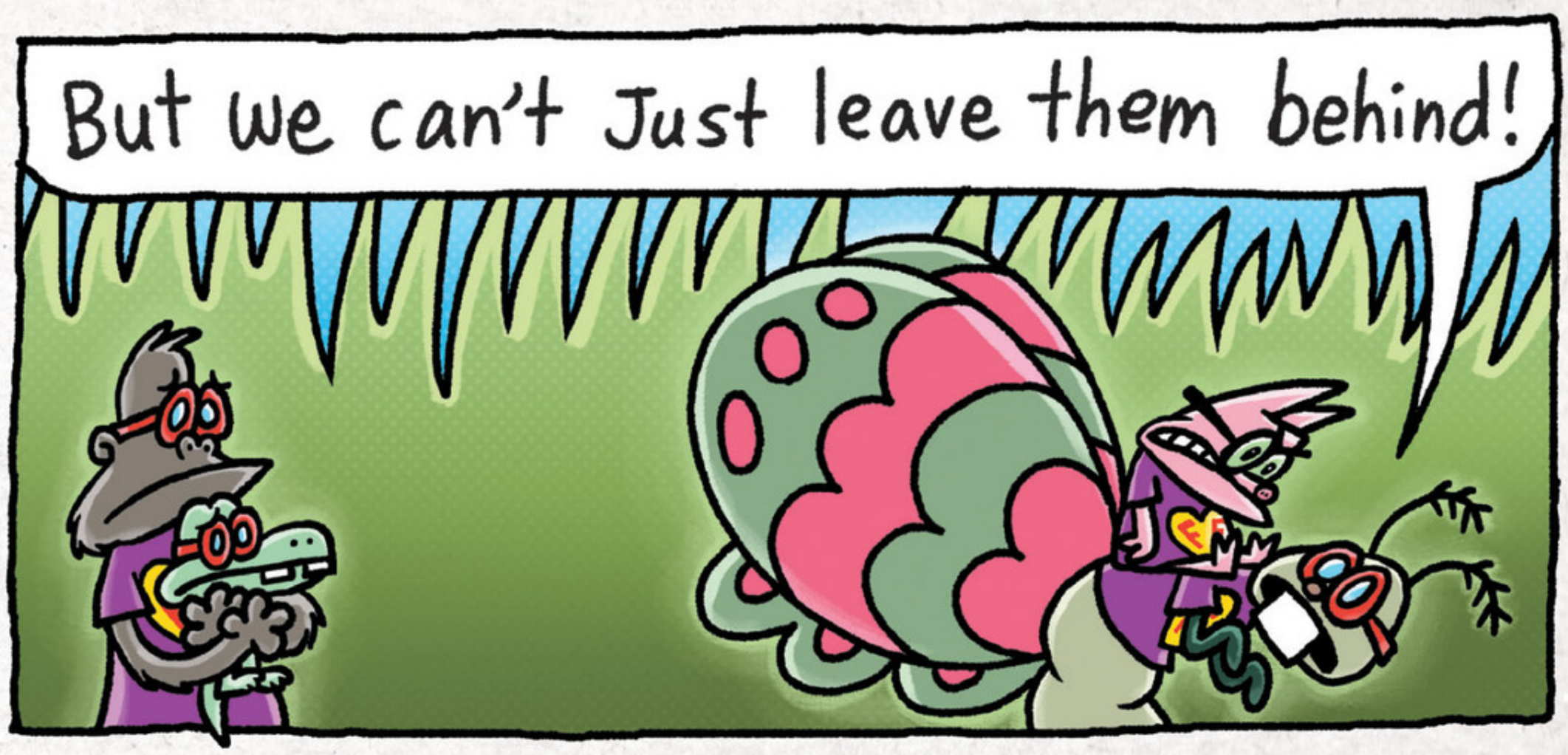

...What about Crunky and Bub???

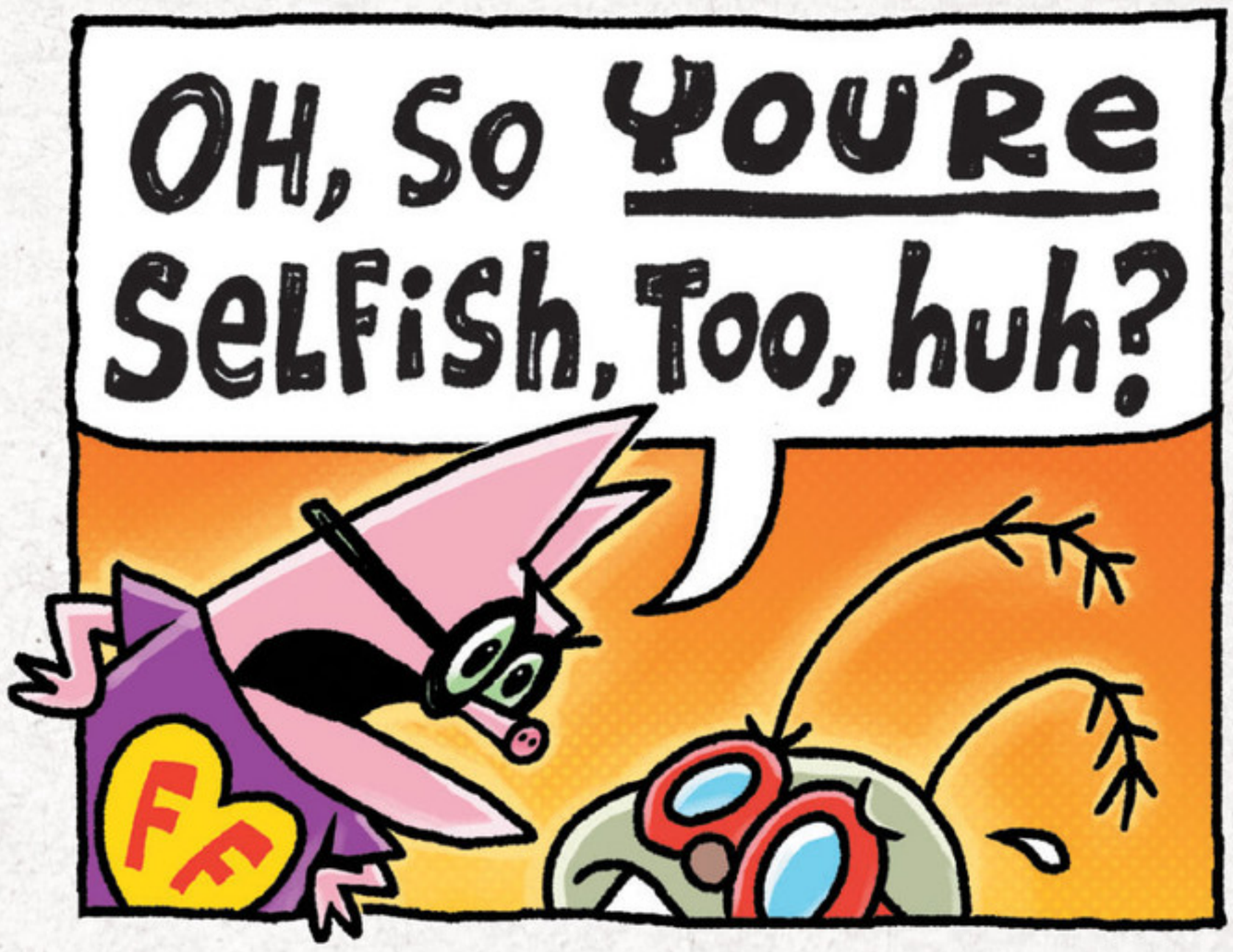
Forget About Those Guys!

They're so SELFISH!

All They care About is HeLPinG OTHeRS!


They NeVeR PUT Me FirsT!


But we can't Just leave them behind!


OH, So YOU'RE SeLFiSh, Too, huh?

It's ALL ABOUT YOU, isn't it???

I'm--- I'm sorry, PiGGY!

Less CRyin', MORE FLYin'!!!

O-O- OKay, PiGGY.

FLAP FLAP

Hey!

WAit FOR US!!!

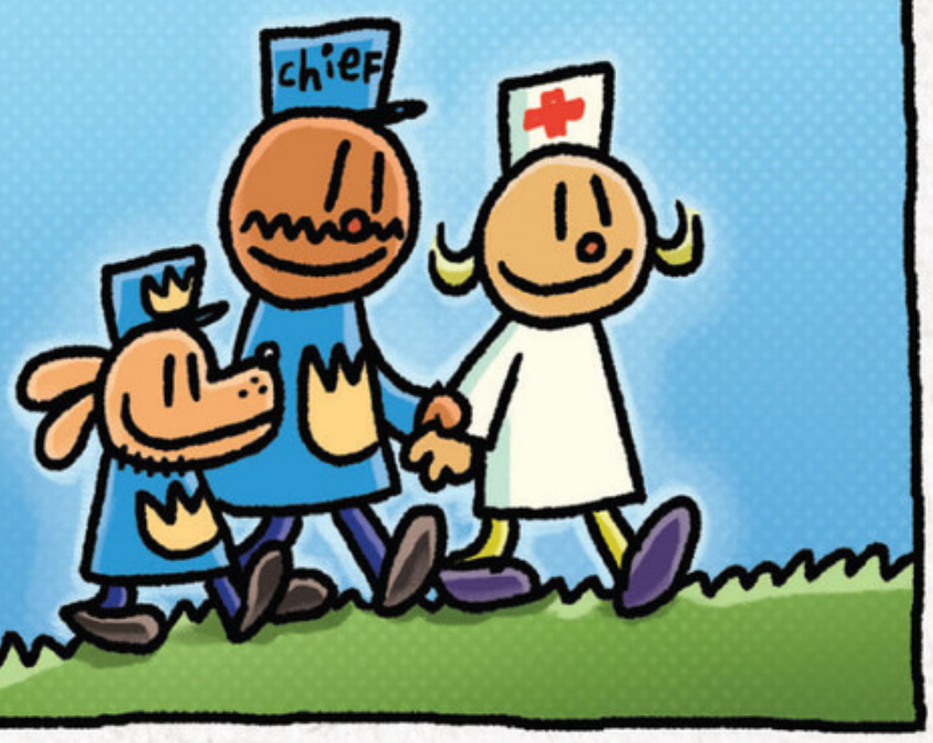
SO LonG, Suckers!!!

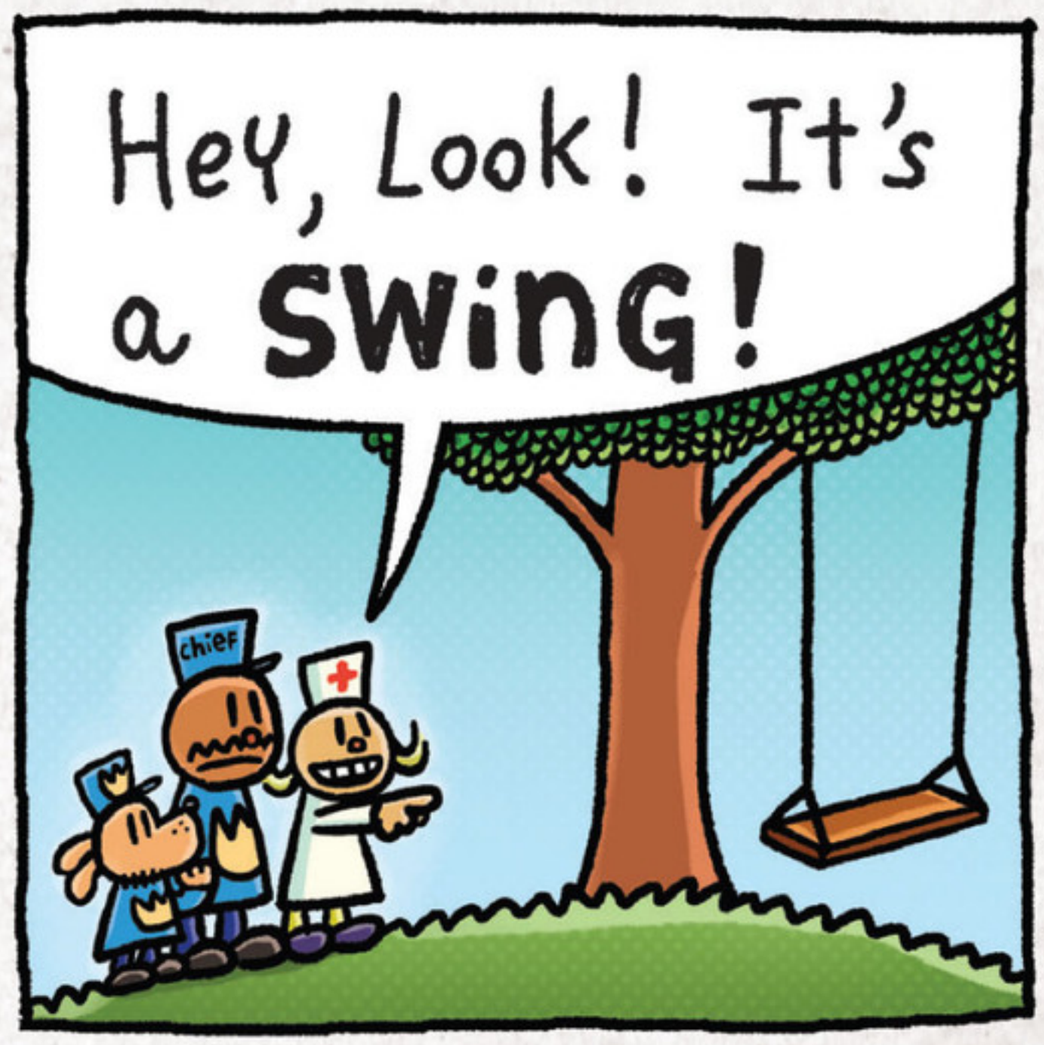
BOO HOO HOO

CHAPTER 5

A Buncha Stuff That Happened Next

Meanwhile...


chief


Hey, Look! It's a SWinG!
chief

Let's swinG on it!!!

Gee whiz. Do You think it's SAFE?
chief

Of course it's safe...
chief

CHOMP-E-RAMA

READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA

...what could Possibly Go WRONG?

FLIP-E-RAMA

...what could Possibly Go WRONG?

chew
chew
chew

SNAP

chief

BUMPA DUMPA

BOMPY GROMPY

BLUMPITY STUMPITY KLUMPITY

FLOMP!

I'm – I'm sorry, Nurse Lady.

chief

I'm sorry, too.

chief

Sorry we didn't try that **SOONER!**

chief

Let's DO it AGAin!!!

chief

C'mon, fellas!

chief

chief

Meanwhile...

DONNA'S CONSTRUCTION

OK, Mr. TheCat...

I'll help You rebuild Your lab.

Let's Get started!

CTion

Hey, look! There he is!!!

FLip FLop FLip FLop FLip

Hi, Wally!!!
Guess what
we did?
Molly, I don't
We made You a Present!
See?
WALLY'S WORLD
It's a comic about YOU!!!
Oh, how sweet!

Look, I appreciate

Your breath smells like coffee.

I APPRECIATE YOUR GIFT...

...But I DON'T have TIME to READ it RIGHT NOW!!!

That's okay, Wally!

I'LL read it FOR You!!!

SLAP!

WALLY'S WORLD

BY Molly and Li'l Petey
Color by 80-HD

One time Wally was in a BAD MOOD.

as usual!

First, he slipped on a banana peel...

zip

Then he fell down the stairs...

...then a bee stung his butt.

I'm MAD!

So I'm gonna build my own world...

...where nobody can bother me!!!

Bam Bam Bam

So Wally started building.

Bam Bam

He worked...

Bam

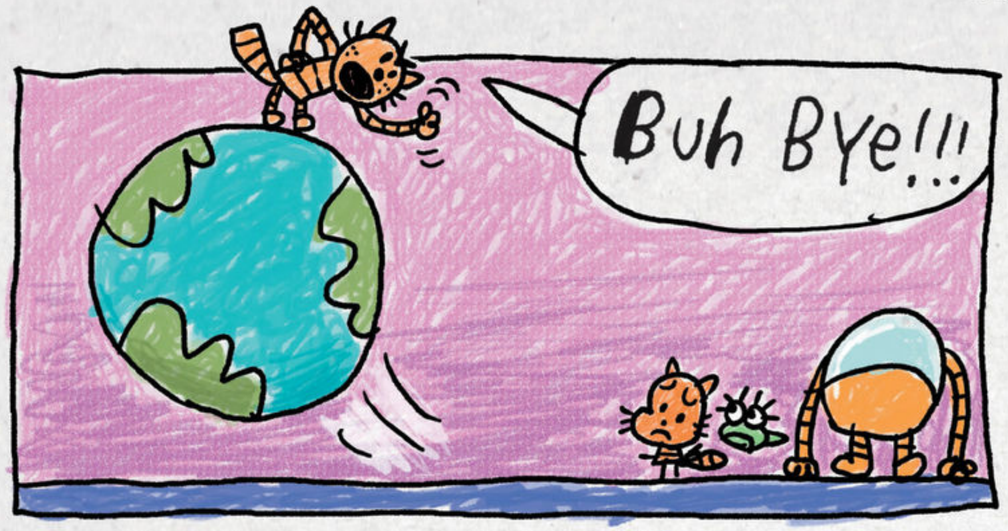
...and worked.

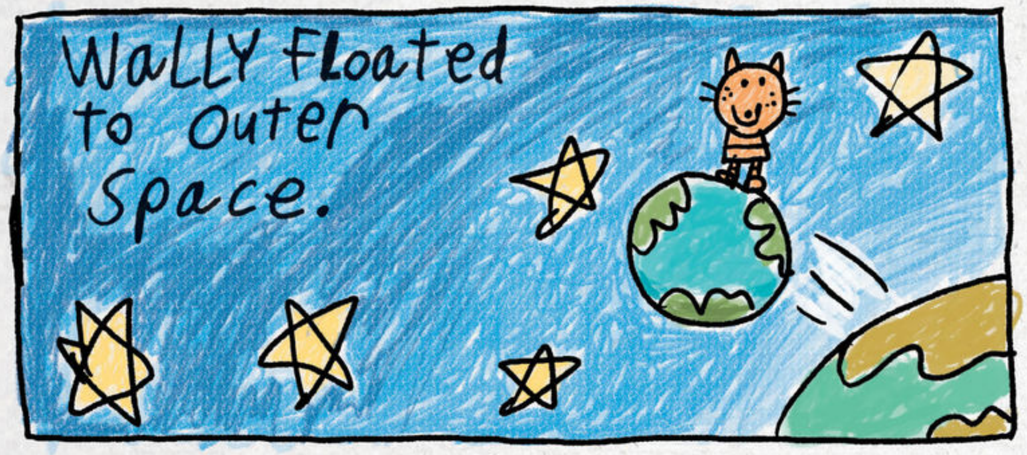
Bam Bam Bam

Finally, he was done.

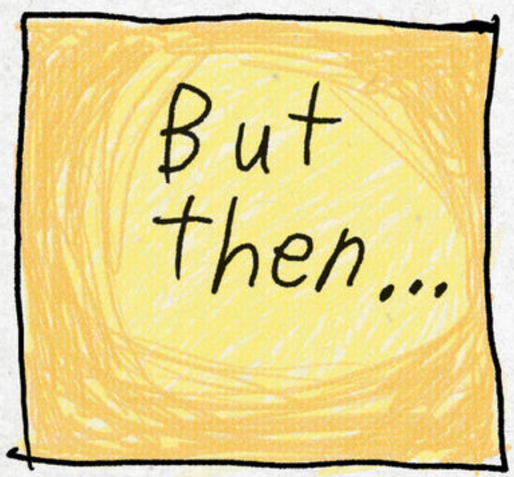
Paint

Paint


Buh BYe!!!...


WaLLY Floated to Outer Space.

Now I Can Be happY!!!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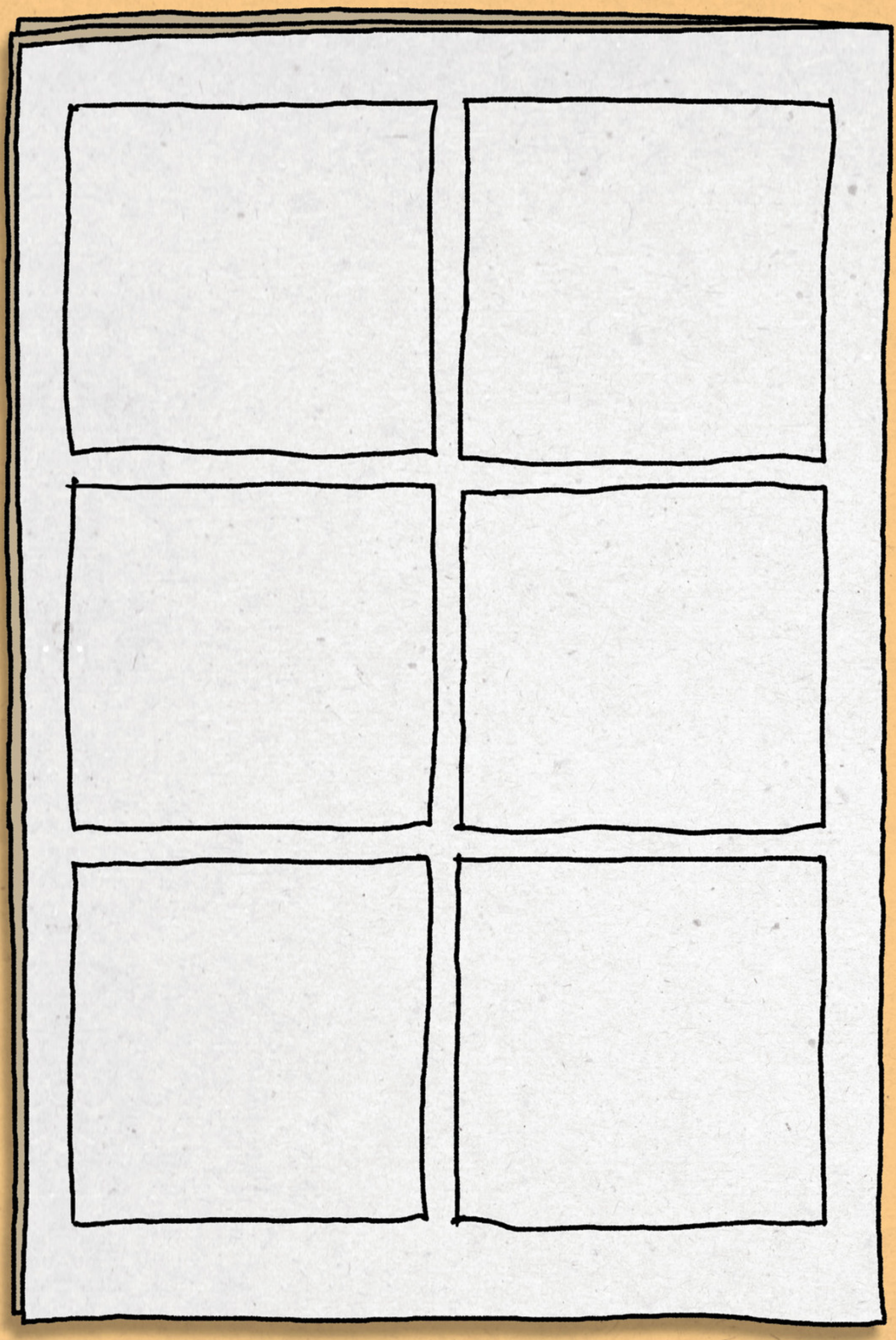


Well? Did ya like it, Wally?

NO!!!

It doesn't even make **sense!**

And why was the last Part **BLANK**?

Oh. We couldn't think of an ending.

Or a middle.

Sometimes it's hard to think up ideas!

Yeah.

Oh, I see...

... So if Something is REALLY HARD...

...You Just Quit?

Is that right???

Is THiS what You teach in That COMiC CLUb of Yours???

no.

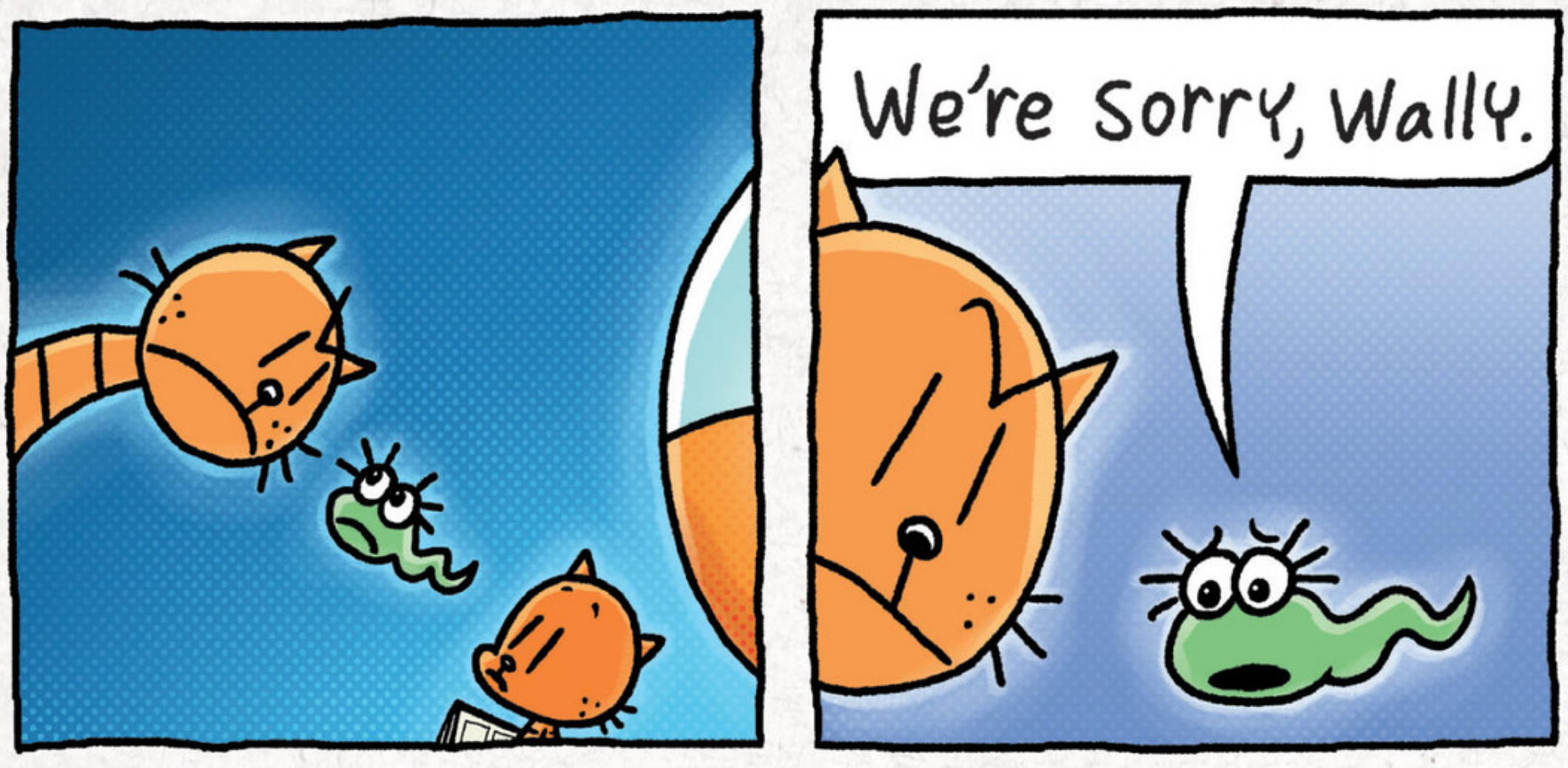
no.

IT'S TOO HARD...

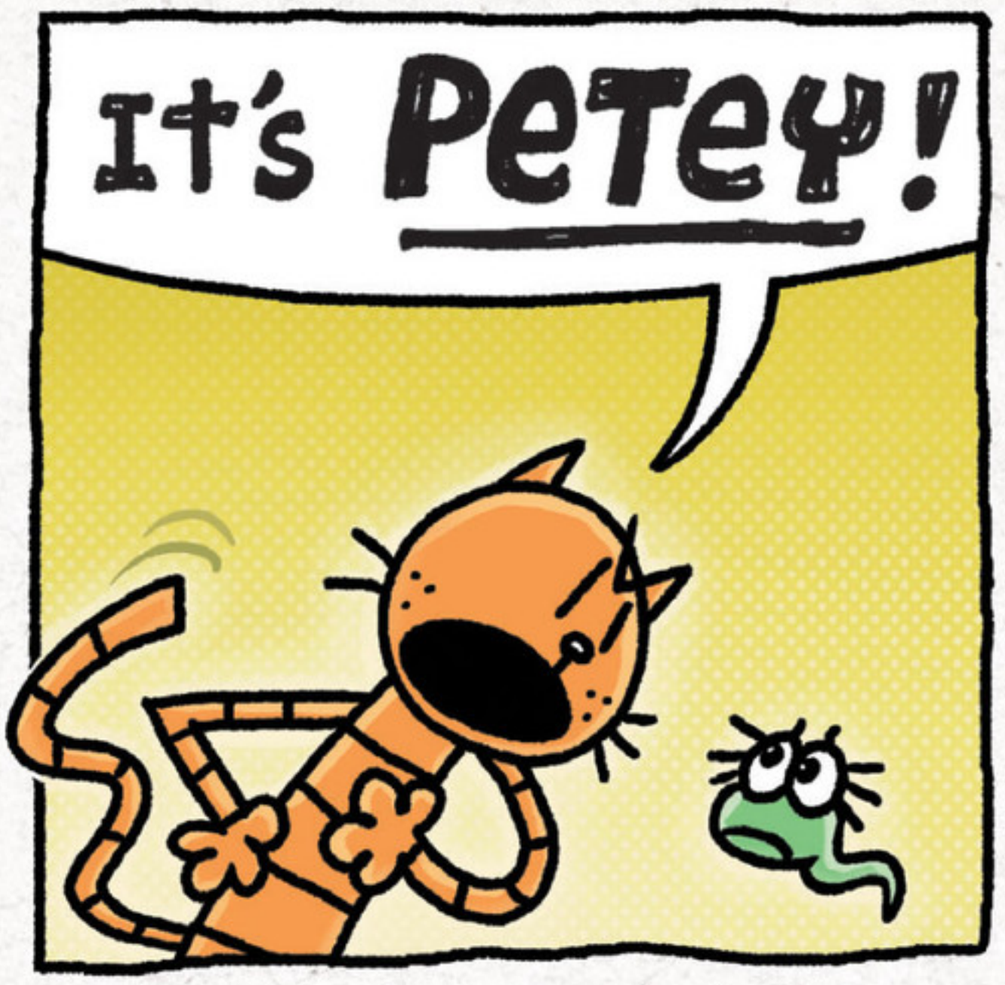
...So let's Just Give UP!!!

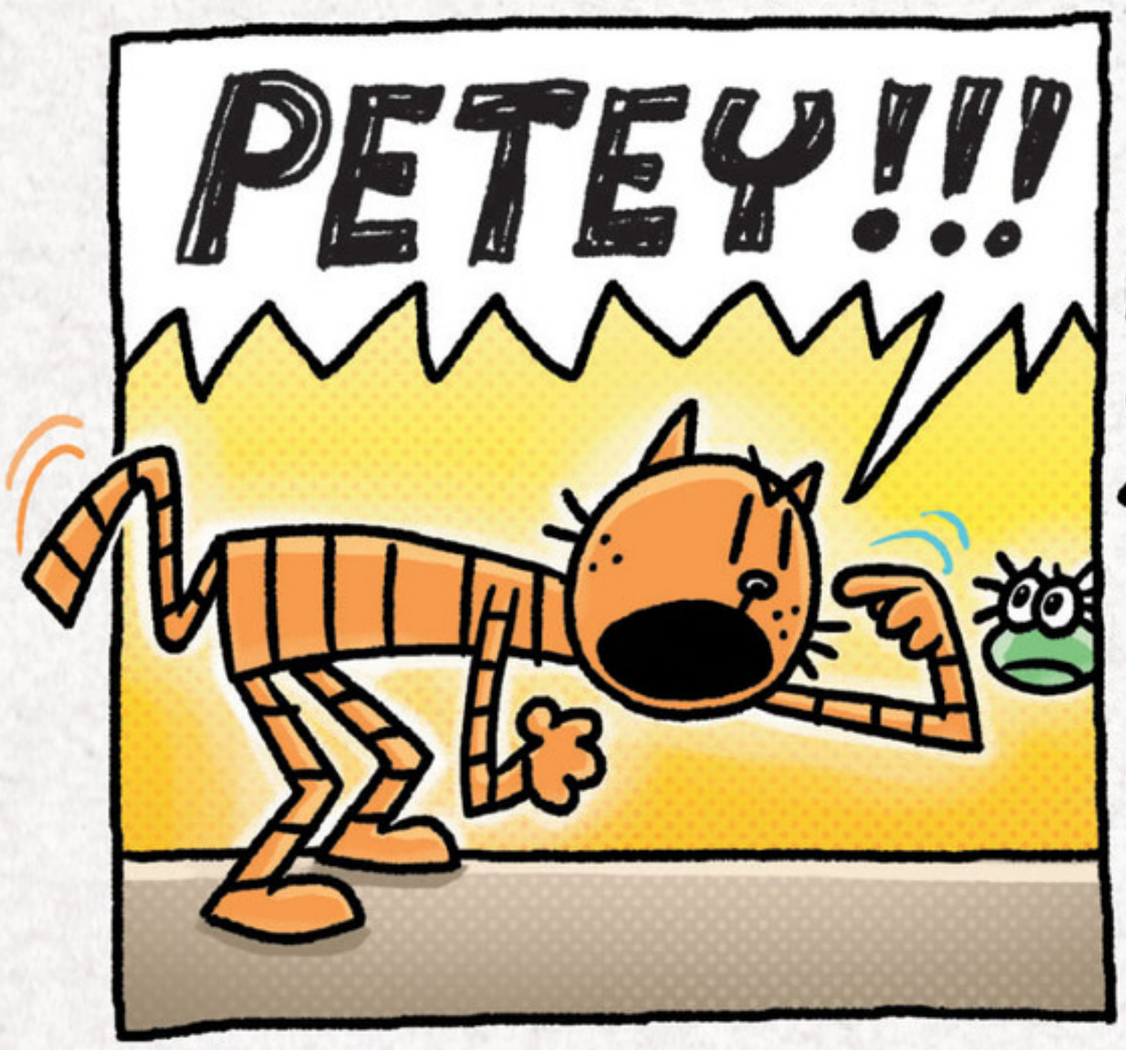
Because we're ALL A bunch of Little baby...

...QUiTTERS!


We're Sorry, Wally.

AND MY NAME'S
NOT WALLY!


It's Petey!


PETEY!!!

PETEY
THE CAT!

Wait - **YOU'RE Petey** the Cat?

Yeah.

Aren't You the GuY who stole all of those **toilets**...

...And made everybodY wet their Pants???

Um... that-

-That was a **LonG Time AGo.**

I've already been **Punished** for that!

I paid my **Debt to Society!**

AND the Governor **PARDONED** me!

Ever since then, I've lived my-

Hey! Where are You Going???

AWAY FROM YOU!

But You SAid You'd help me Rebuild my LAb!

You're on your own, Jailbird!!!

FLIP FLOP

FLIP FLOP FLIP

Don't worry, Wally.

We'll find somebody else to help you!!!

Meanwhile...

WAAAAAA

WAAAAAA

I CAn't believe They Left Without us!!!

It's SO SAD!!!

But then...

WAAAAAA

Hey, Ducky— What's that noise???

WAA

Beats me, Mike!

WAA

Let's find out!!!

WAAAA

Hey, Look! It's Crunky And Bub!!!

WAAAAAAAAAA

And they're CRYiNG!

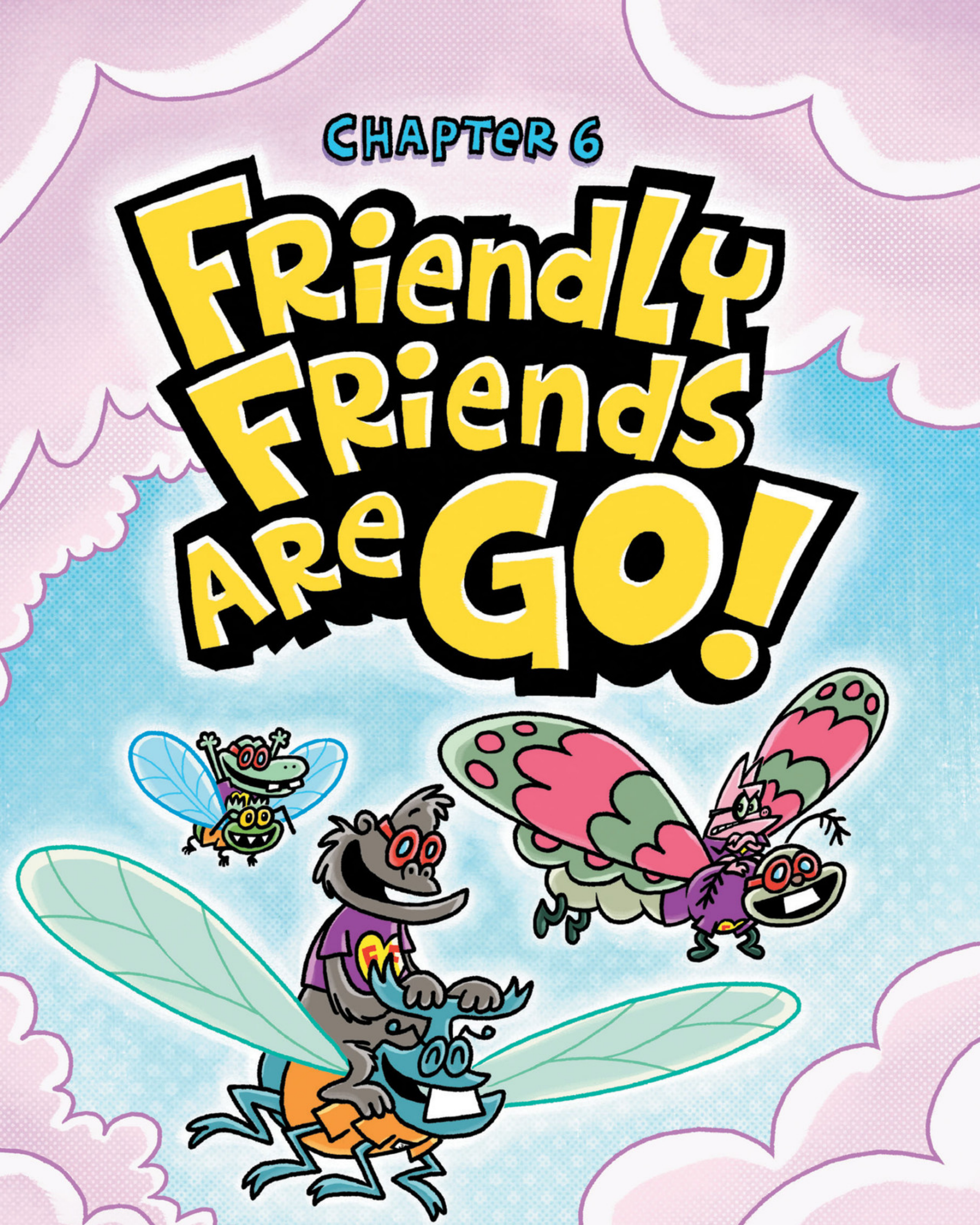
Should we help them?

Okay!

And So...
WAAAA
AAA
We're helping YOU CRY!
Thanks, Ducky!
If only You could help us FLY!!!
We can do that!
FWOOSH
FWOOSH!

CHAPTER 6

FRIENDLY FRIENDS ARE GO!



Meanwhile...

Aaah- Freedom at Last!!!

But I miss Crunky and Bub!

Would You Forget About those Guys?

They're Nothing But TROUBLE!!!

ALL they do is EAT, LAUGH...

...And make up RIDICULOUS SONGS!!!

And FURTHERMORE...

HiYA, PiGGY!!

We're BAAAACK!!!

We Just made up a **New SonG!**

Do You wanna hear it?

Nooooooooooooo!!!

and a **one**, and a **Two**, and a...

Friendly Friends, Friendly Friends,

FLYinG ThrouGh the SKy...

...OH, WhAt Fun it iS to Ride...

...On A Beetle, moth, and FLY-Y!!!

Note: This SonG Can be SunG to the tune oF "JinGLe Bells."

Friendly Friends, Friendly Friends...

...Armed with Friendly Hugs...

...OH, What Fun it is to Ride...

...on the Backs of Friendly Bugs!

DASHING THROUGH THE SKY...

... on a beetle, moth, and FLY...

...O'er the hills So high...

...LAUGHING till we cry!

HA! HA! WAA!

SOARING THROUGH the AIR...

...SWOOPING here and there...

...WHAT FUN it is to Share and CARE...

...Without our underwear!!!

WOULD YOU CUT THAT OUT???!!

We've Got A Serious Problem Down There!

What's wrong, Piggy???

SHHHHHHHHH!!!

chief

It's that Dog-Headed Cop!!!

He's Sound Asleep, So Don't make Any Noise!!!

What?

GROWL-E-RAMA

READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA

GRR-FACE A GO-GO!

FLIP-E-RAMA

GRR-FACE A GO-GO!

RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF

Watch out, Daryl! We're Gonna CRASH!!!

RUFF RUFF RUFF

The BEACH

SUPA-Sized SUBS $5.99

No, we're not!!!

The BEACH

ACH
Uncle Larry!
DARYL!!!

What **IS** this PLace?

It's the **FriendLY FrienDS Action HeADQUARTeRS!**

We can use this technoloGy...

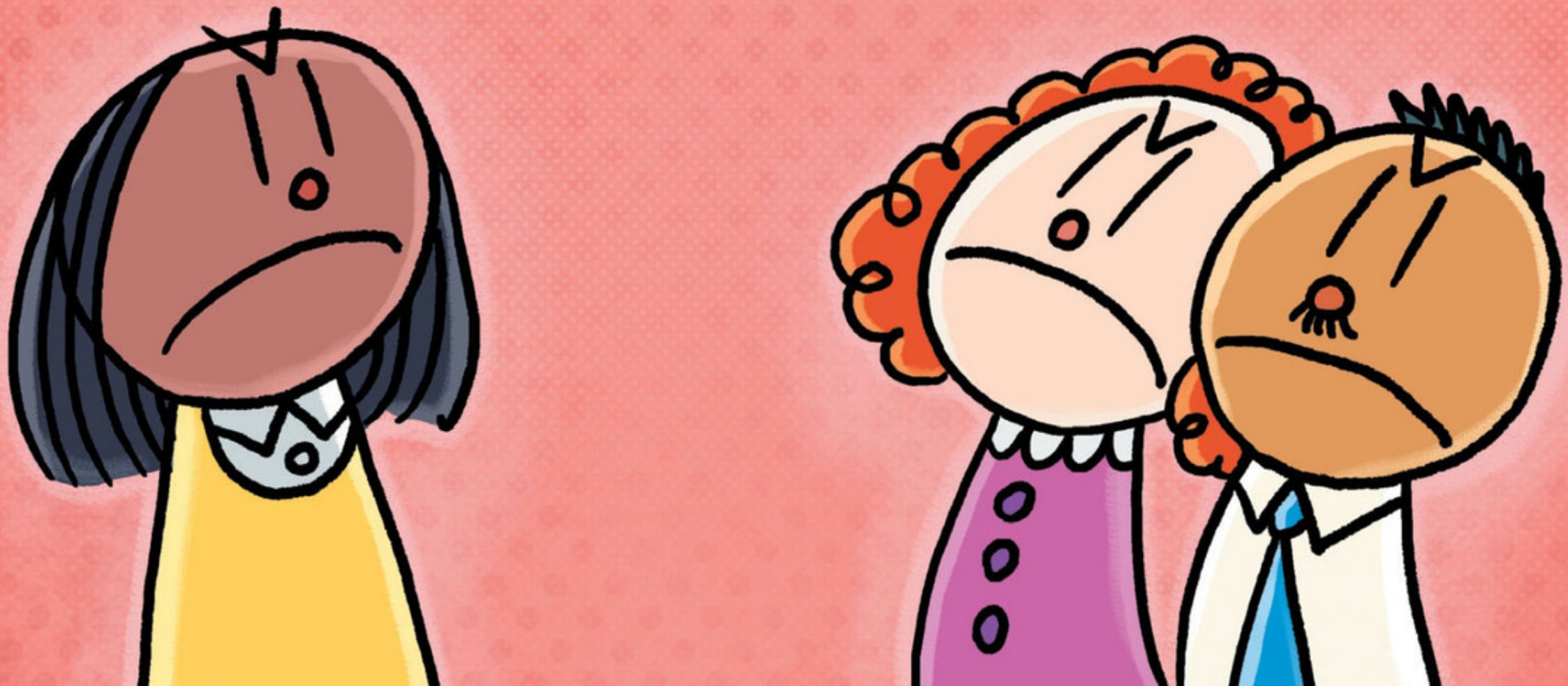
...to spread Joy and Sunshine **ALL** over the **WORLd!**

Yeeeah...

...that's **EXACTLY** What **I** was thinkinG!

CHAPTER 7

CAT CELL CULTURE



Meanwhile...

Sorry. I can't help you.

HELPFUL HOME REPAIRS

ALWAYS OPEN BUILDERS

Sorry. We're closed.

Sorry, but I lost my tools...

NO CO

...and my hand hurts...

...and it's too sunny...

No excuses construction

FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP

...and my truck won't start...

FLIP FLOP FLIP

How come nobody will help us?

Because I went to Jail...

...and I- HEY!

I told You this story in the LAST BOOK!

Oh.

Oh.

We Probably weren't listening.

Yeah! Tell us AGAin!

What's the Point???
I TRY to DO GOOD!
I TRY and I TRY...
... but nobody Cares.
I'll ALWAYS be the bad Guy.

Meanwhile...

RUFF

RUFF RUFF RUFF RUF

That sounds like DoG Man!!!

RUFF RUFF

COME ON, ZUZU!

RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF

What's WRONG, DoG Man?

The BEACH

SUPA-Sized SUBS

$5.9

Something's up at The Beach?

UNDER their roof?

Under the...

... under the "C"?

Umm... is it ITCHY?

Is it fleas?

It's **Fleas?**

Are You talking about **PiGGY** and his PaLs?

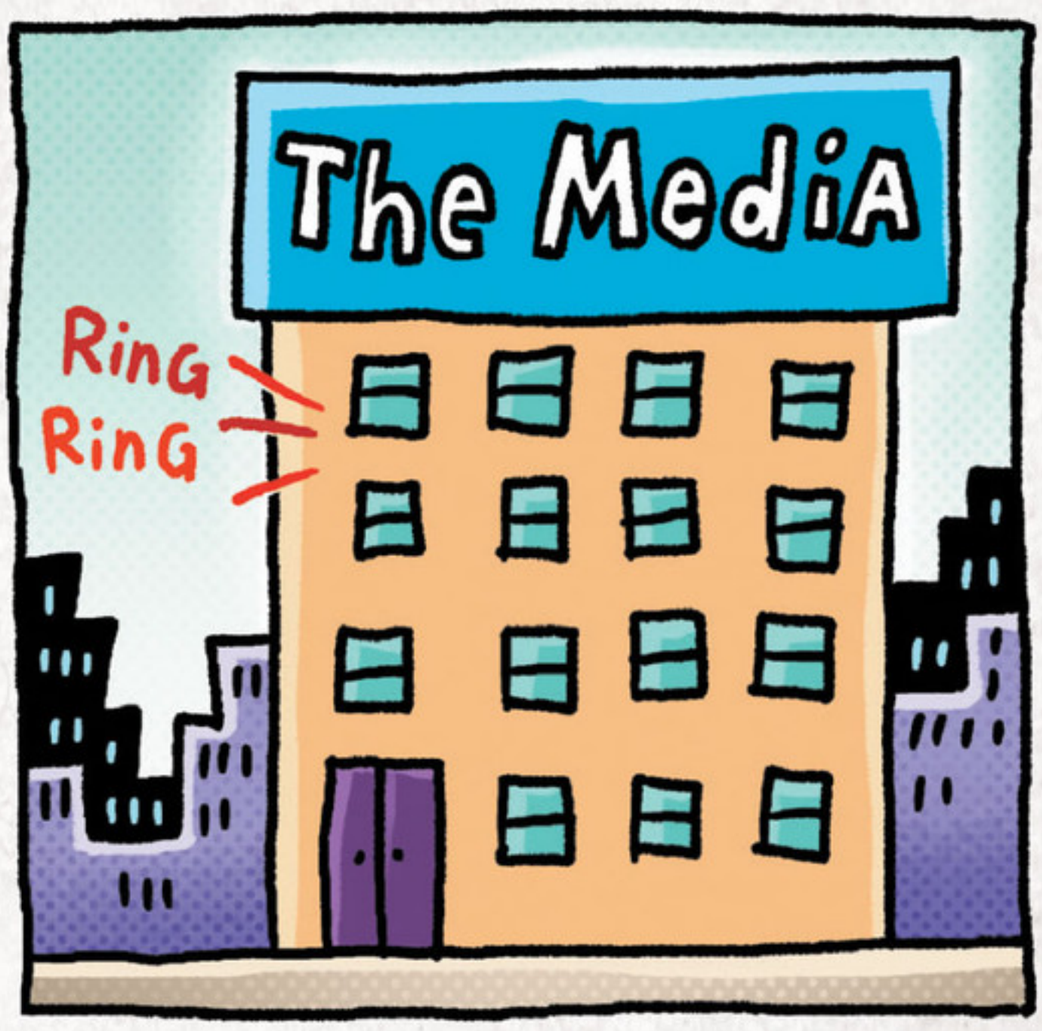
THE FLEAS ARE BACK???

And there are **MORE** of them?

OH, NO!!!

I better alert the **Media**!!!

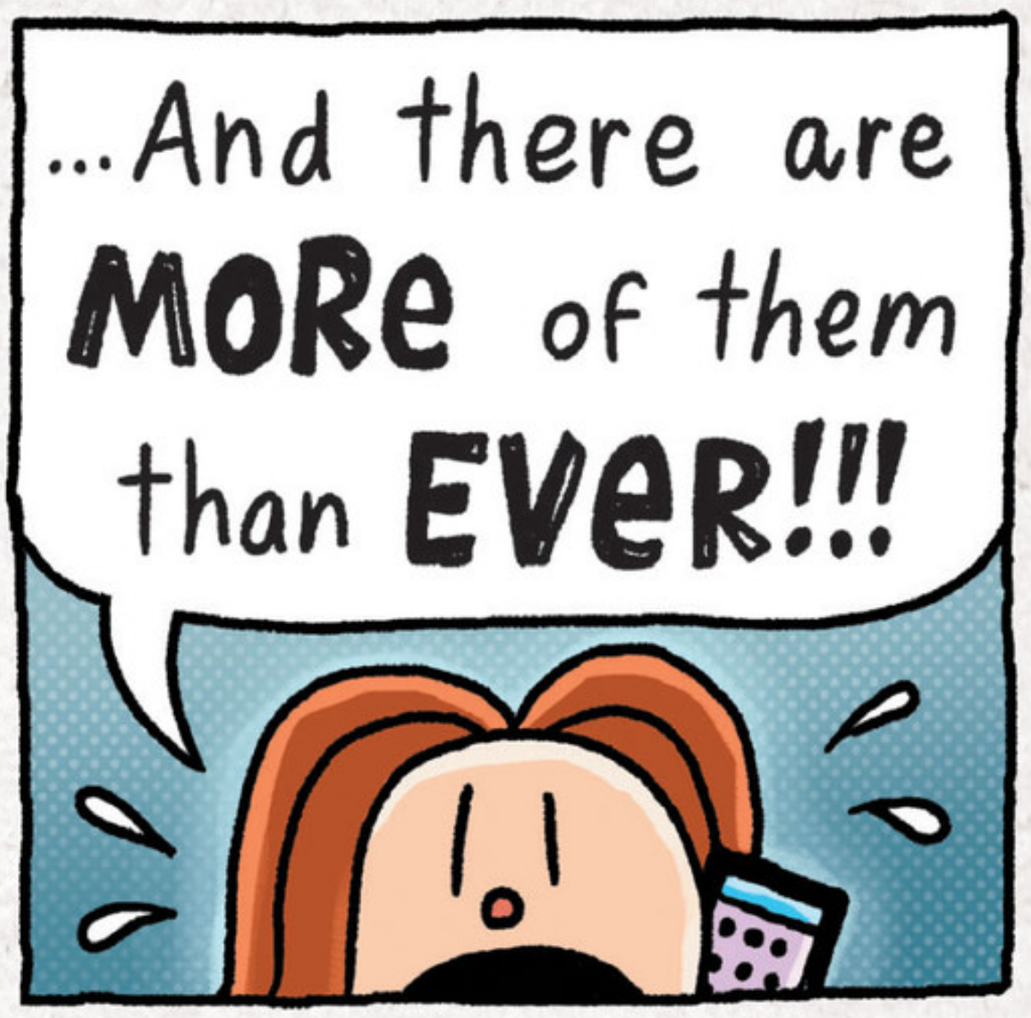
Beep Boop Boop
Beep Boop


The MediA
Ring
Ring
Ring

Hi, Sarah.
What's up?
News
Desk

Bob!!! Listen
CLOSELY!!

The FLEAS
ARE BACK!!!


...And there are
MORE of them
than EVER!!!

They're at The Beach under the "C."

At the **beach**? Under the **sea**?

News Desk

Yeah. It's where they make those Supa-sized Subs!

They're making **SUBS**?

OH, NO!!!

click

I better tell the Boss!!!

NEWS Desk

BOSS

Two minutes Later...

SUPA-SIZED SUBMARines?

Yeah! And there are MORE than EVER!!!

THAT'S A SWELL SCOOP!!!

BUT WE GOTTA Punch it UP!!!

Give it SOME MOXie!!!

HOW MANY MORE ARE There?

Gee whiz, Boss. I don't Know.

It could be one... Ten... A hundred...

... a Thousand... or even TwenTy ThousAnd!

TWENTY THOUSAND?

That's Your HEADLINE!!!

ZONG

BOSS

Twenty THOUSAND FLEAS UNDER The SEA!!!

Now Go Write me A Story I CAN Sink my CHOPPERS Into!!!

BAM

OKay, but...

BOSS

...those **Numbers** might not be true.

TRUE?

TRUE?

NOBODY CARES About The TRUTH!

This is the NEWS, Baby!

It's All About the CLICKS!!!

BOSS

Chapter 8

The Media Network

BREAKING NEWS

TWENTY THOUSAND FLEAS UNDER THE THE SEA

GET PAID TO CLICK ON ADS!!!
EASY CA$H!
I made nine cents!
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ANONYMOUS AUTHORITIES FEAR DOOMSDAY

Does Piggy plan to **DESTROY** our way of of life with his **BLOODTHRISTY, KILLER SUBS?**

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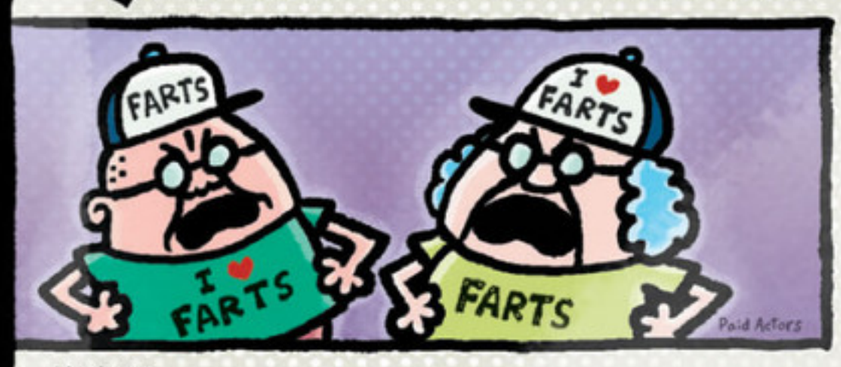

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Meanwhile...

This place is AMAZiNG!!!

Thanks, PiGGY! My Uncle Larry built it all.

He's a **Genius!**

AW, Shucks!!!

And what is **THAT?**

Oh, that? It's a **FLYinG Sub!**

I was inspired by the f

Nobody cares!

...Does it WORK?

It sure does!

The only thing I care about is...

Oh, boy! oh, boy! oh, boy!!!

It's ALL I EVER WANTED!!!

It's Beautiful!

And the Best Part is...

I've Got the WHOLE PLACE to MYSELF!!!

ALL ABOARD!!!

HEY! GET OUT OF HERE!!!!

OKAY, PIGGY! LET'S GET THIS SUB OUT OF HERE!!!

FOOOSH FOOOSH

But WAit! We can't fit through that TINY DOOR!!!

SUB SUB SUB

Don't Worry, PiGGY...

...Watch this!!!

Size -o- TRON

SUPA DOOPA BiG
SUPA BiG
BiG
NORMAL
SMALL
SUPA SMALL
SUPA DOOPA SMALL

Our built-in **Size-O-Tron** can make this Sub **SHRinK!!!**

YA-KLUNK

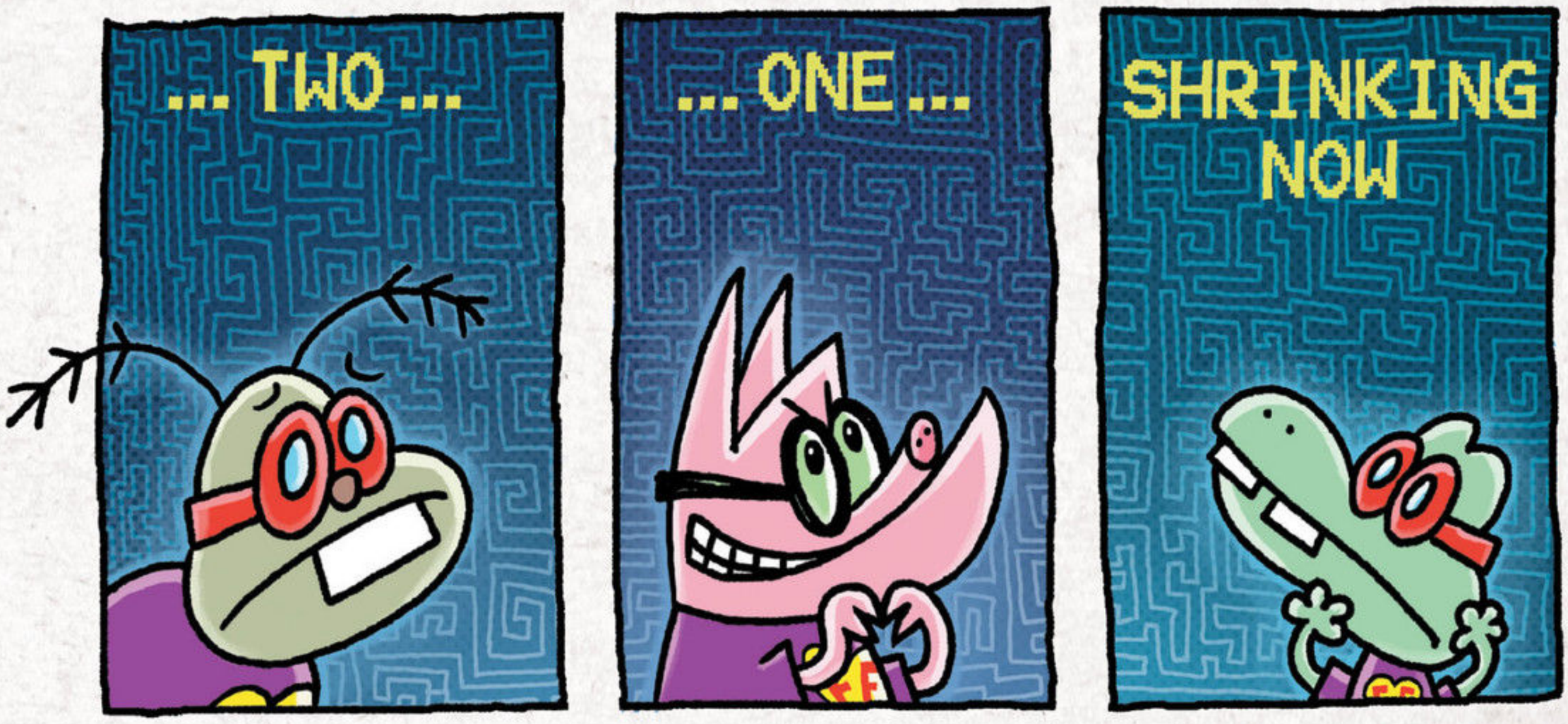
Size -o- TRON

SUPA DOOPA BiG
SUPA BiG
BiG
NORMAL
SMALL
SUPA SMALL
SUPA DOOPA SMALL

SUB WILL SHRINK IN FIVE SECONDS...

...FOUR...

...THREE...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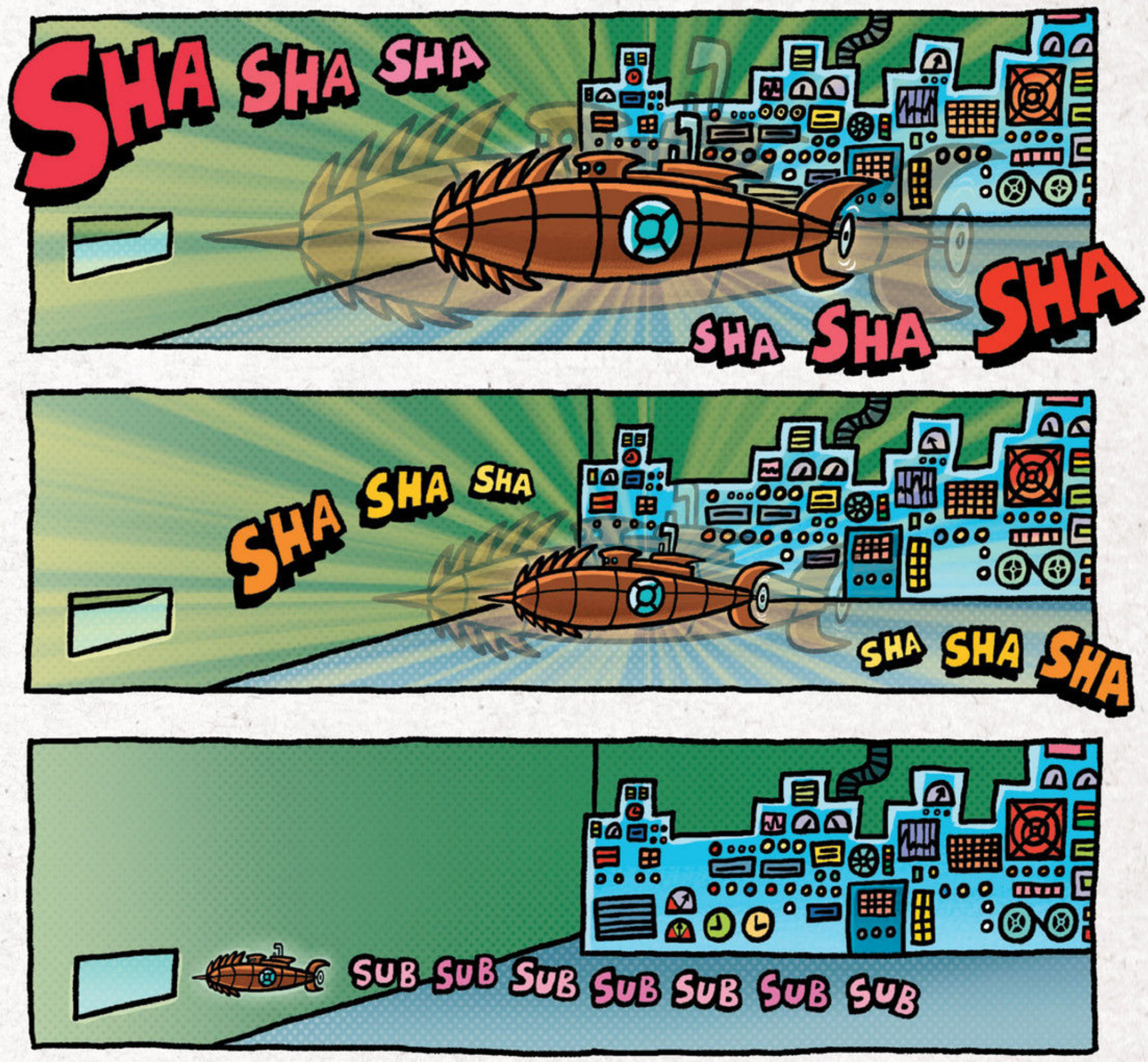
SHRINKING NOW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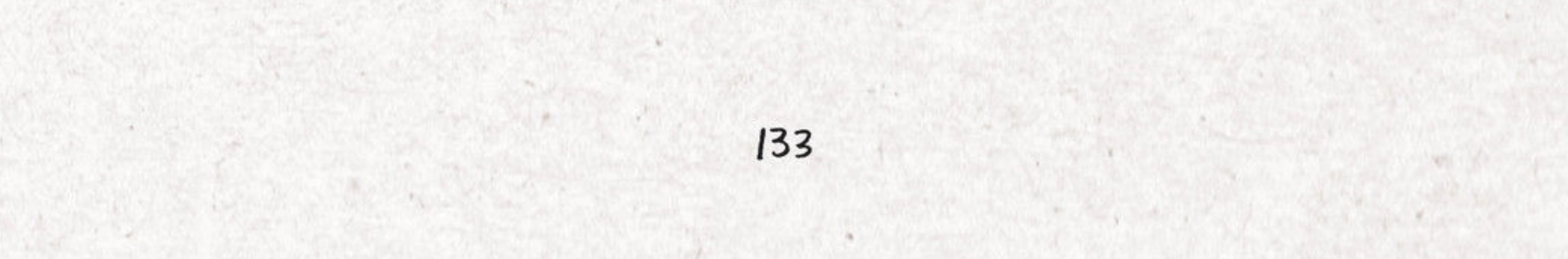
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And So...
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BEACH
SUPA-Sized
SUBS
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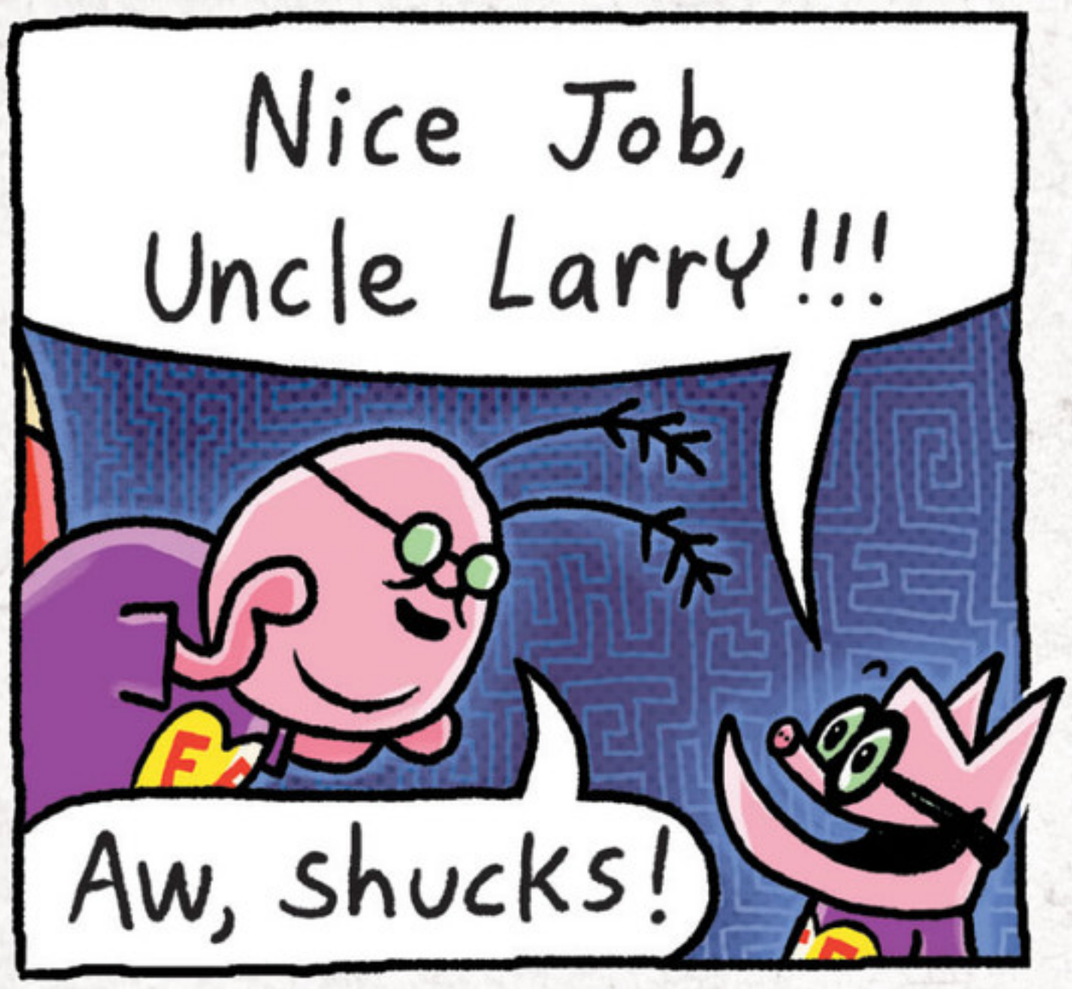
Nice Job, Uncle Larry!!!
Aw, shucks!

Now can You make us Grow SUPA BiG?

I sure can!!!
Size -o- TRON
SUPA DooPA BiG
SUPA BiG
BiG
NORMAL
SMALL
SMALL
KA KLUNK

SUB WILL GROW IN FIVE SECONDS...

But then...

Hey!!!

This story isn't TRUE!

TWENTY THOUSAND FLEAS UNDER THE THE SEA

I Never SAiD TwenTY THOUSAnD!

I Never SAiD there were SUBMARines!

SUBMARINE ALERT

SHA SHA SHA

I Never...

SHA SHA SHA

...never...

SHA SHA SHA

THE BEACH

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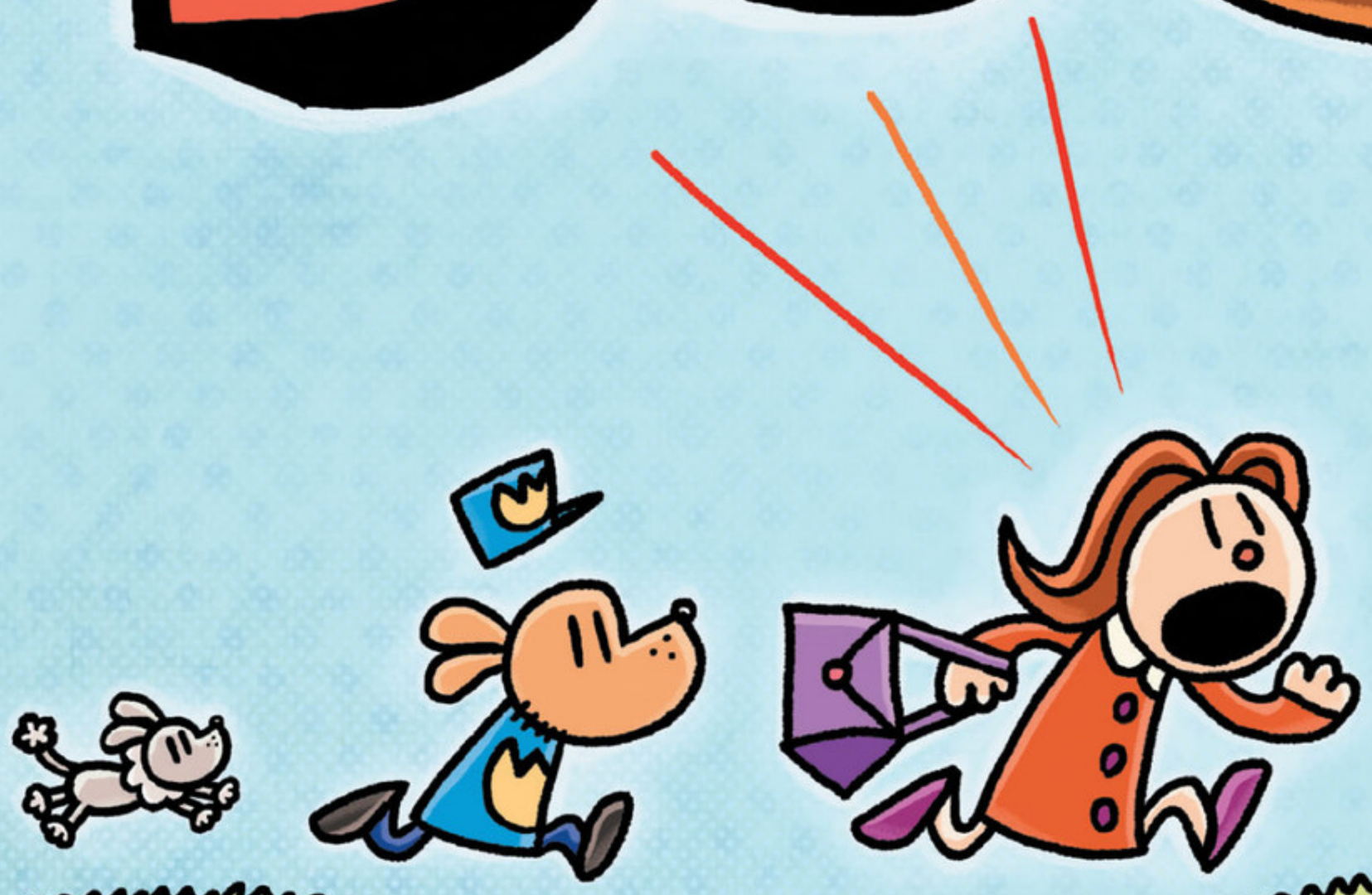
Umm...

...Never mind.

CHAPTER 9

FOLLOW THAT SUB



We interrupt this story with a **TERRIFYING** Report!

the MEDIA

All across the beach...

...Protesters have Gathered to oppose **Twenty Thousand FLEAS**...

Fight the FLEAS

FLEAS

Dehydrate the Sea!

Lock Him up!

...Who are hiding **under the SEA.**

UNDER

Experts believe these Fleas...

Unidentified Expert

...Could **ATTACK** at **ANY Moment!**

RAR!

And So, our World **TREMBLES** in **TERROR!**

Excellent!

The **Whole World** is **AFRAiD!!!**

But we're the **Friendly Friends!**

We want to make everyone **HAPPY!**

We **ARE** Going to make everyone happy!!!

But **HOW**?

Well? What makes **YOU** Guys happy?

Laughing!!!

Playing!!!

Smiling!!!

Cupcakes!!!

Those are **ALL** Good Answers...

...If You're Five YEARS OLD!!!

But Some folks are more **COMPLEX!**

Some folks need **COMPLEX** things to make them happy.

Like what?

FEAR and **ANGER!!!**

Fear and Anger make people happy?

They sure Do!!!

Boop

FEAR and ANGER TRIGGER DOPAMINE RECEPTORS in the BRAIN...

I ♥ DOPAMINE®

...AND THAT MAKES PEOPLE HAPPY!

WE'VE ALREADY SCARED THEM...

STOP THE SUBS

FLEAS GO HOME

NOW WE NEED TO MAKE THEM MAD!

BUT HOW?

OH, there are so MANY, MANY WONDERFUL WAYS...

Politics...

...inflation...

...Social Media...

SUB SUB SUB SUB SUB

OR, we could throw pies at People!

Where did You Get those???

From the **Pie-MAKinG MAChine** in our kitchen!!!

Pies! Pies! Pies! Pies!

Chapter 10

Pie Fight

SPLAT

ALRiGht, if we're GoinG to thRow **Pies** at People...

...we **HAVE** to do it **RiGHT!**

So there will be **No GiGGliNG...**

... NO TOM-FOOLERY...

...And **Most IMPORTANTLY...**

...NO SinGinG!

And a **ONe**, and a **Two**, and a...

NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO

Friendly Friends, Friendly Friends, Flying Through A Cloud...

...We made up a Second Verse...

...and we'll sing it SUPA LOU-UD!

Friendly Friends, Friendly Friends...

... Cozy, Cute, and Clean...

...Oh, What Fun it is to Ride...

...in a FLYinG SubMarine!

DAShinG Through the Skies...

...on a Submarine that flies...

...Dropping Pumpkin Pies...

...on Some RAndom Guys!!!

PLOP PLOP PLOP

Making People Mad...

...is the opposite of Bad...

...So Spread some cheer with RAGE and fear...

...And Then You'll be so Glad!!!

YOU...

...GUYS...

...ARE MAKING ME...

SO ANGRY!!!

OH, BOY!

That means we're making PIGGY HAPPY!

I KNOW!

Let's SING it 153 MORE Times!!!

NOOO

Friendly Friends,
Friendly Friends...

Um... hello.

What are you all doing?

nothin'.

Well, the whole World needs Your help...

...So **Let's GO!!!**

No thanks.

Nobody wants to help **US**...

...why should we help them?

What's GoinG on Here???

Well, everybody hates my Papa.

Yeah, and they'll Probably hate US, too...

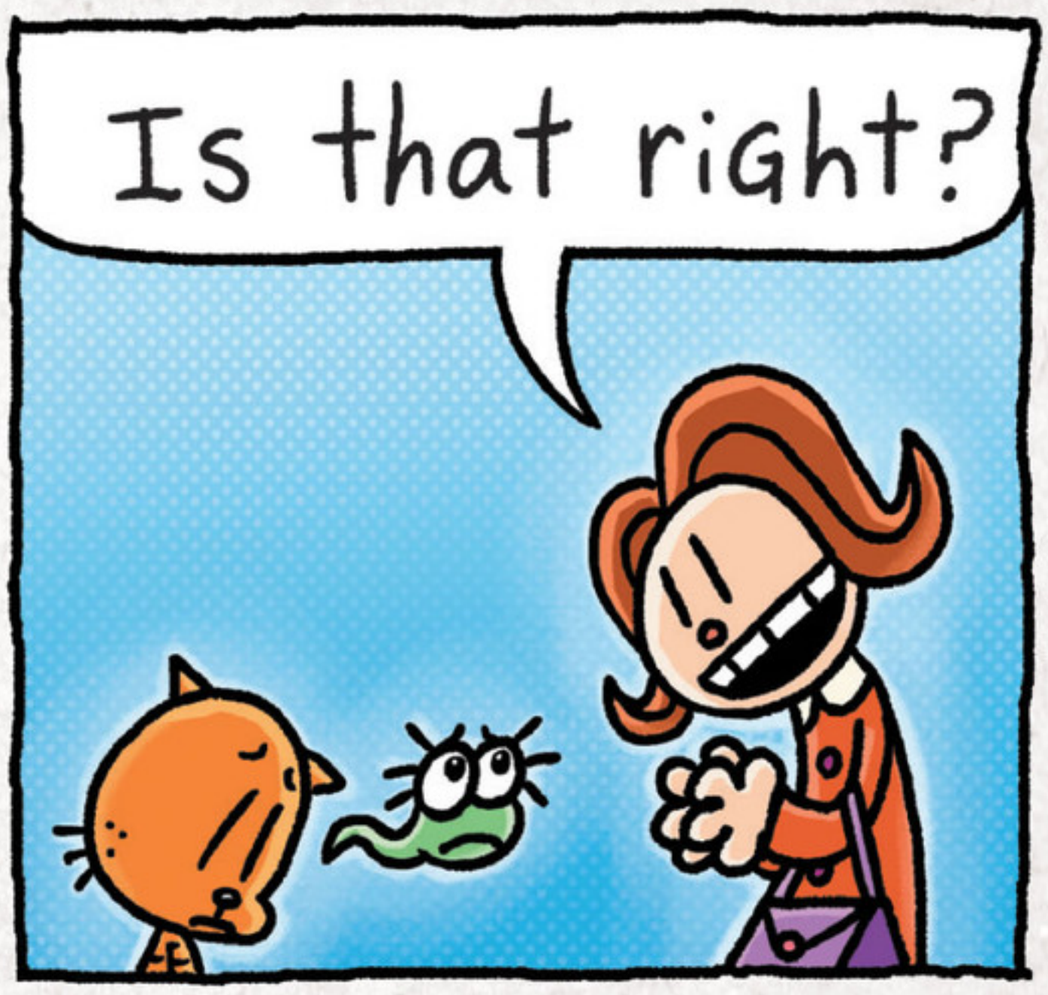
...if **we** ever make a mistake.

So **We're** not taking **ANY More Chances!**

Oh, I see.

So...
...if somebody gives you a hard time...

...You Just
Quit?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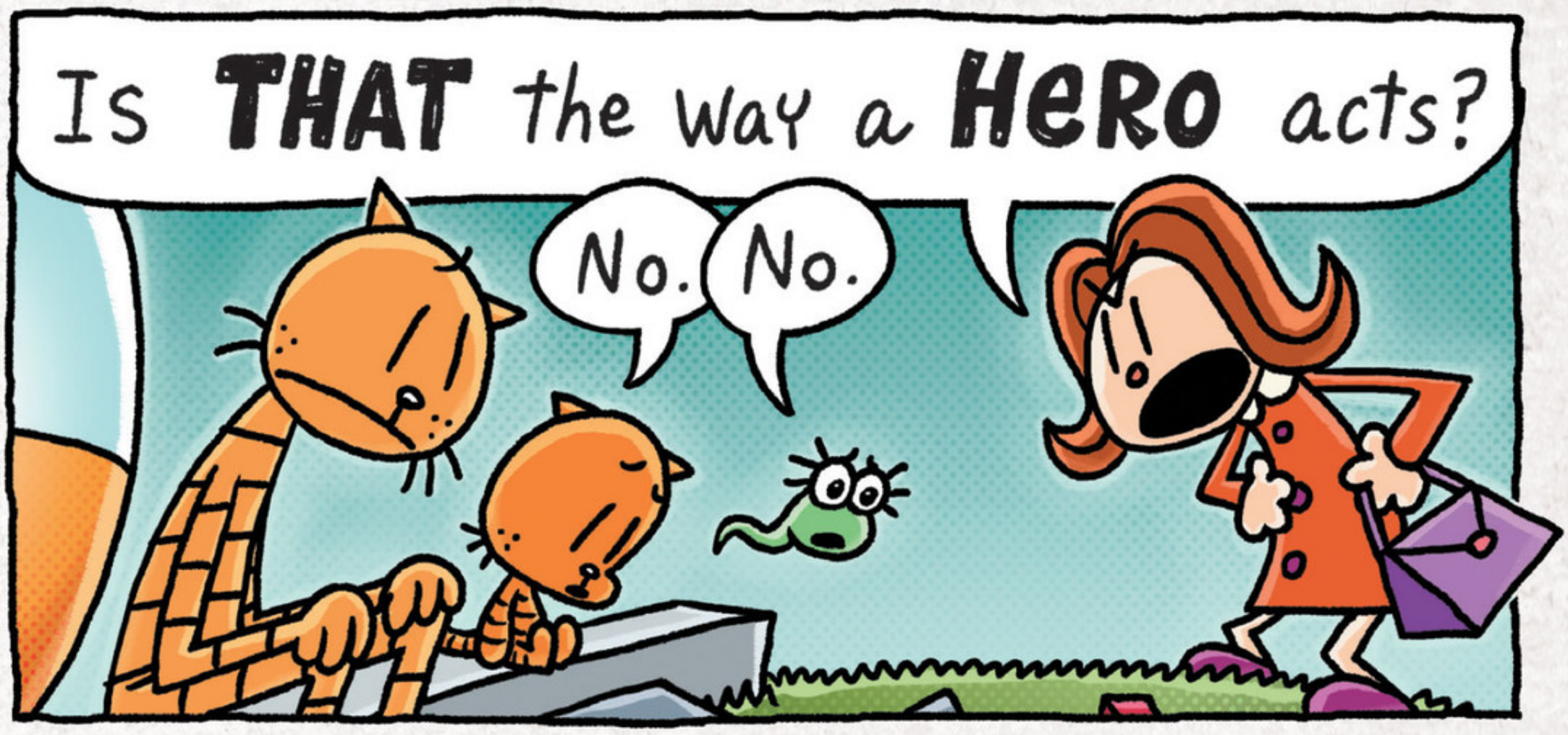
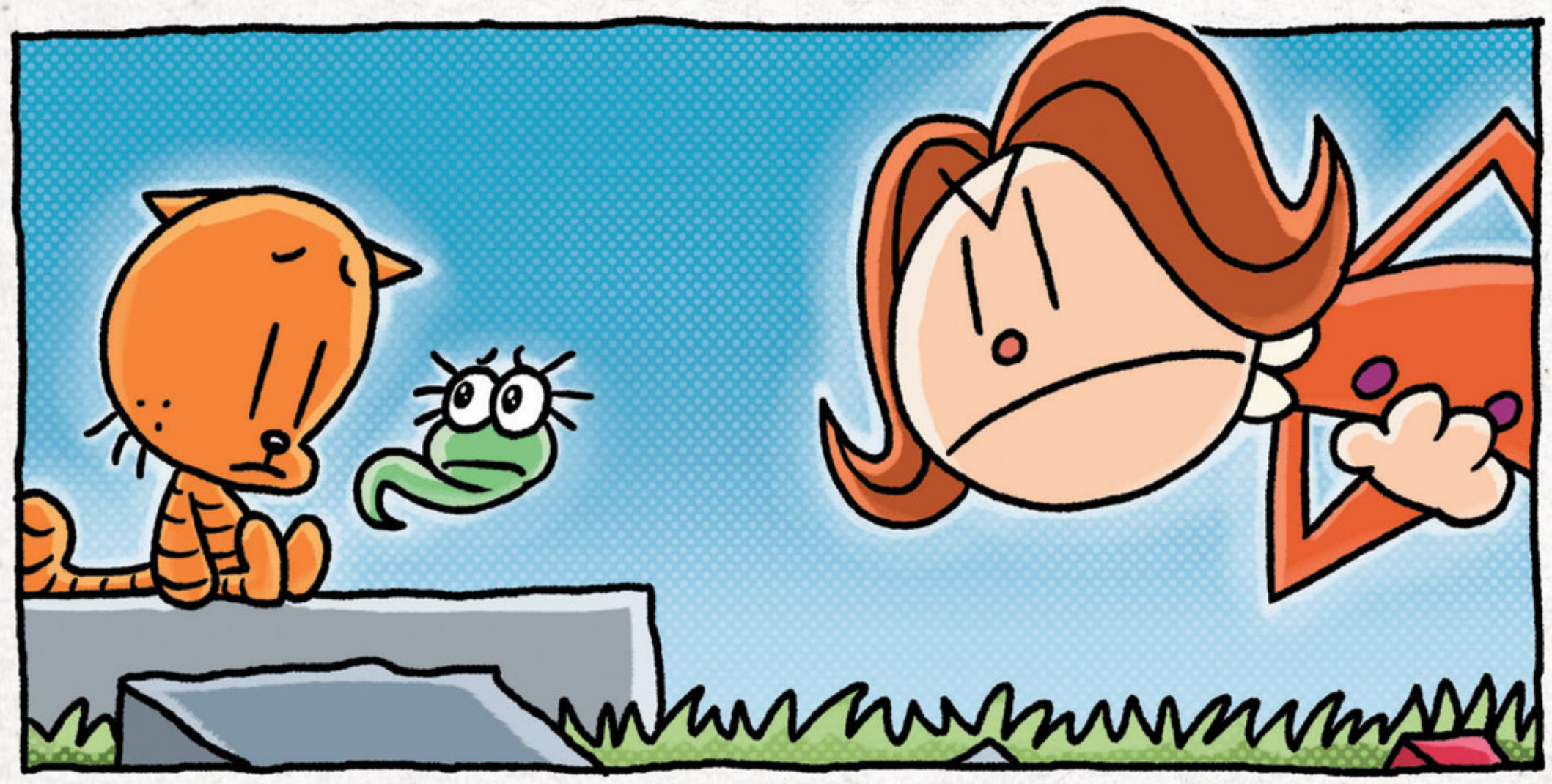

Is THAT the way a HERO acts?
No.
No.

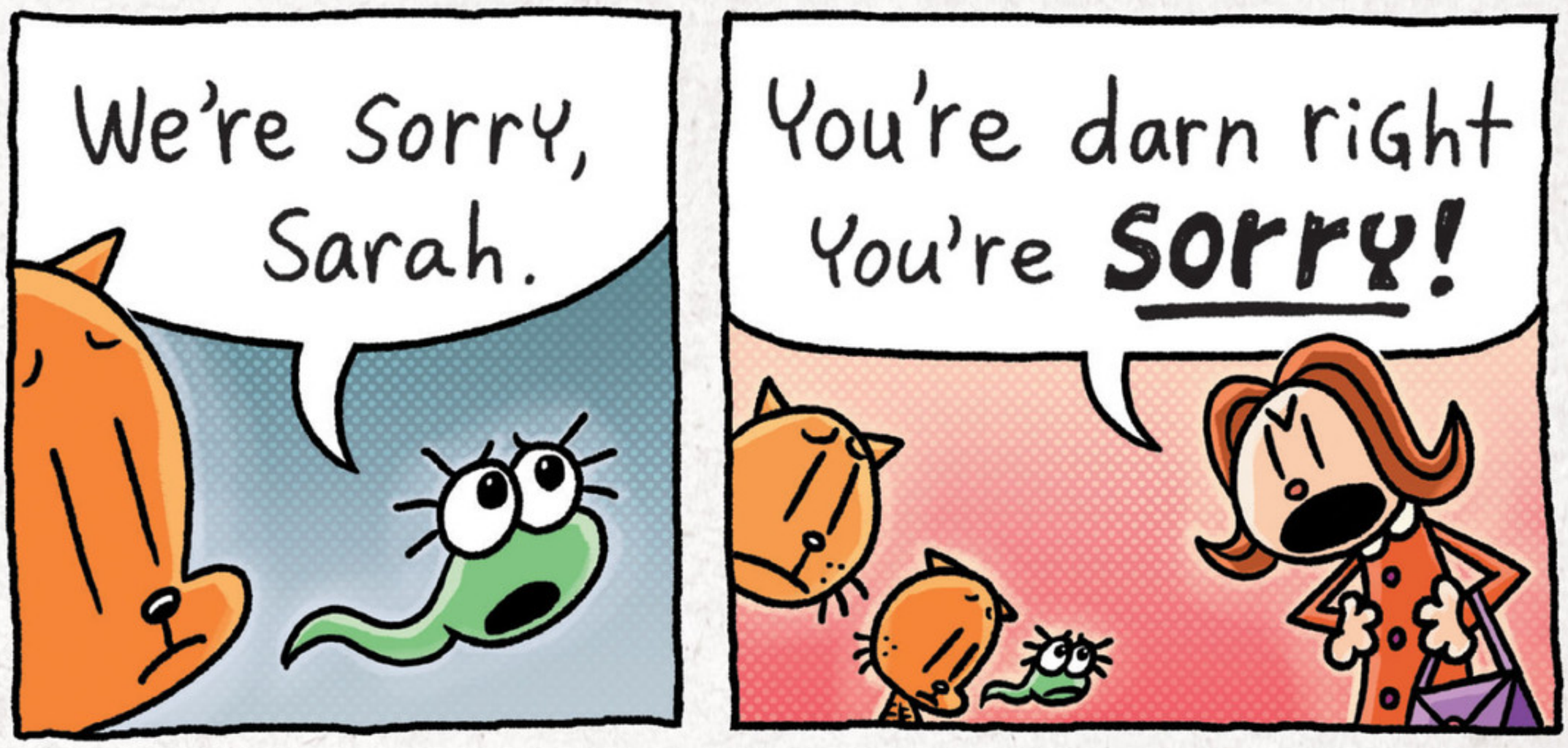
OOH- People CAN be MEAN!!!

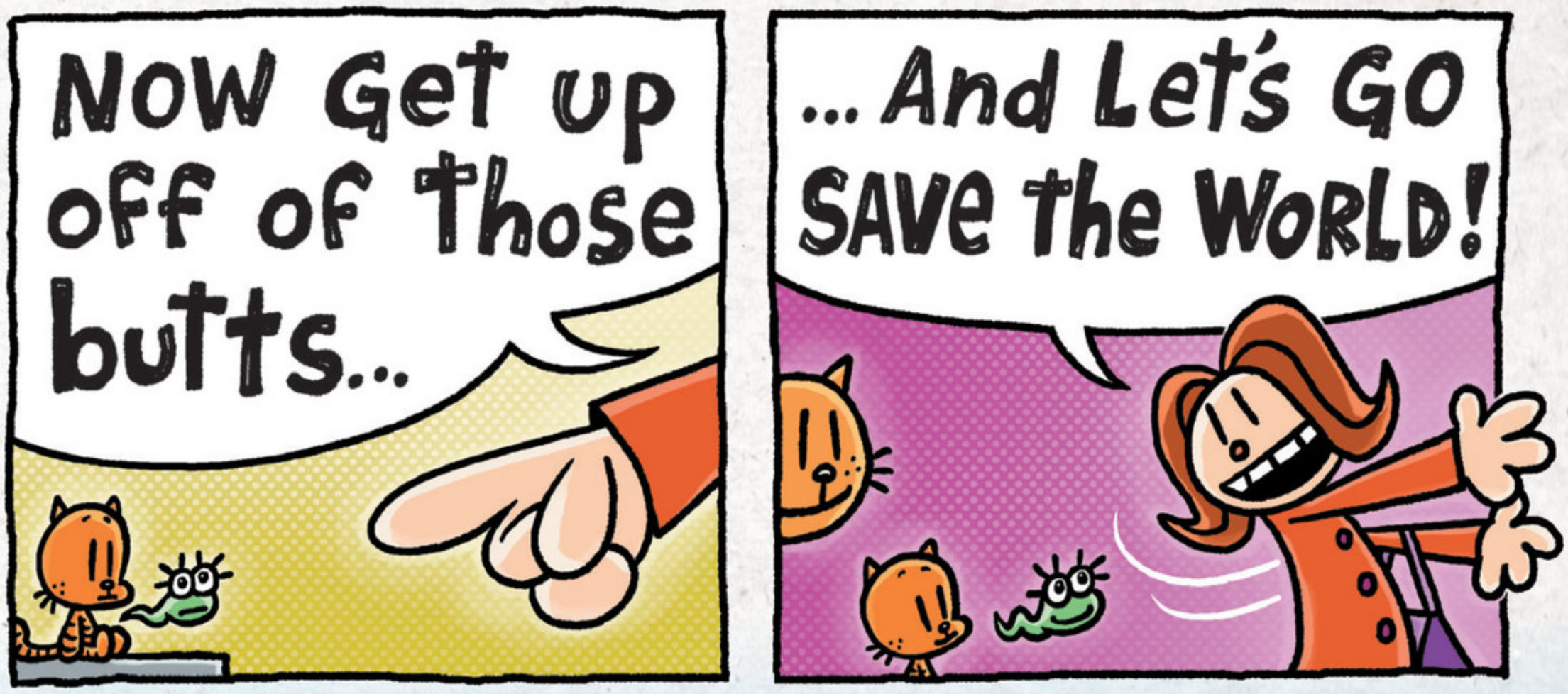
So Let's Just Give UP...

...because We're ALL a bunch of Little baby...

...Quitters!!!




We're sorry, Sarah.
You're darn right You're sorry!


NOW Get up off of those butts...
...And Let's GO SAVE the WORLD!

And so...

FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP

Sarah is the SMARTEST PERSON EVER!

I Know!

HEY!!!

I SAiD the SAME ThinG a few ChaPters ago!!!

Yeah...

...but it Sounded better when **She** Said it.

Chapter 11

Piggy Makes His Move

Well, folks, We're back at the beach...

...where **FEAR** has turned to **OUTRAGE!!!**

Fleas Go Home

SPLAT!

A **MASSIVE** Pie Fight has begun...

...and Citizens are Getting **HUFFIER** AND **PUFFIER!!!**

Peace

YOU'LL PAY FOR THAT!!!

But I didn't throw that Pie!

Well, it didn't Just fall out of the sky!

Good Point!

Authorities fear that everybody's OUTRAGE...

Anonymous Authority

...may cause them to Lose Focus...

What's-his-face

...on the REAL Issue!

Which is?

Umm...I forGot!

SPLOP!

But then...

FOOOOOSH!

SUB SUB SUB

SHHHHHHH

Hi-

YAH

FREEZE, FLEAS!!!

Fleas?

Who are the Fleas?

Fleas?

Wait – Aren't You GUYS **The FLEAS?**

No.

We're the **Friendly Friends!**

Oh. Umm...

...Are we on the right Submarine?

Well, we **USED** to be "The Fleas"...

...but then we char

I Don't believe MY LUCK!!!

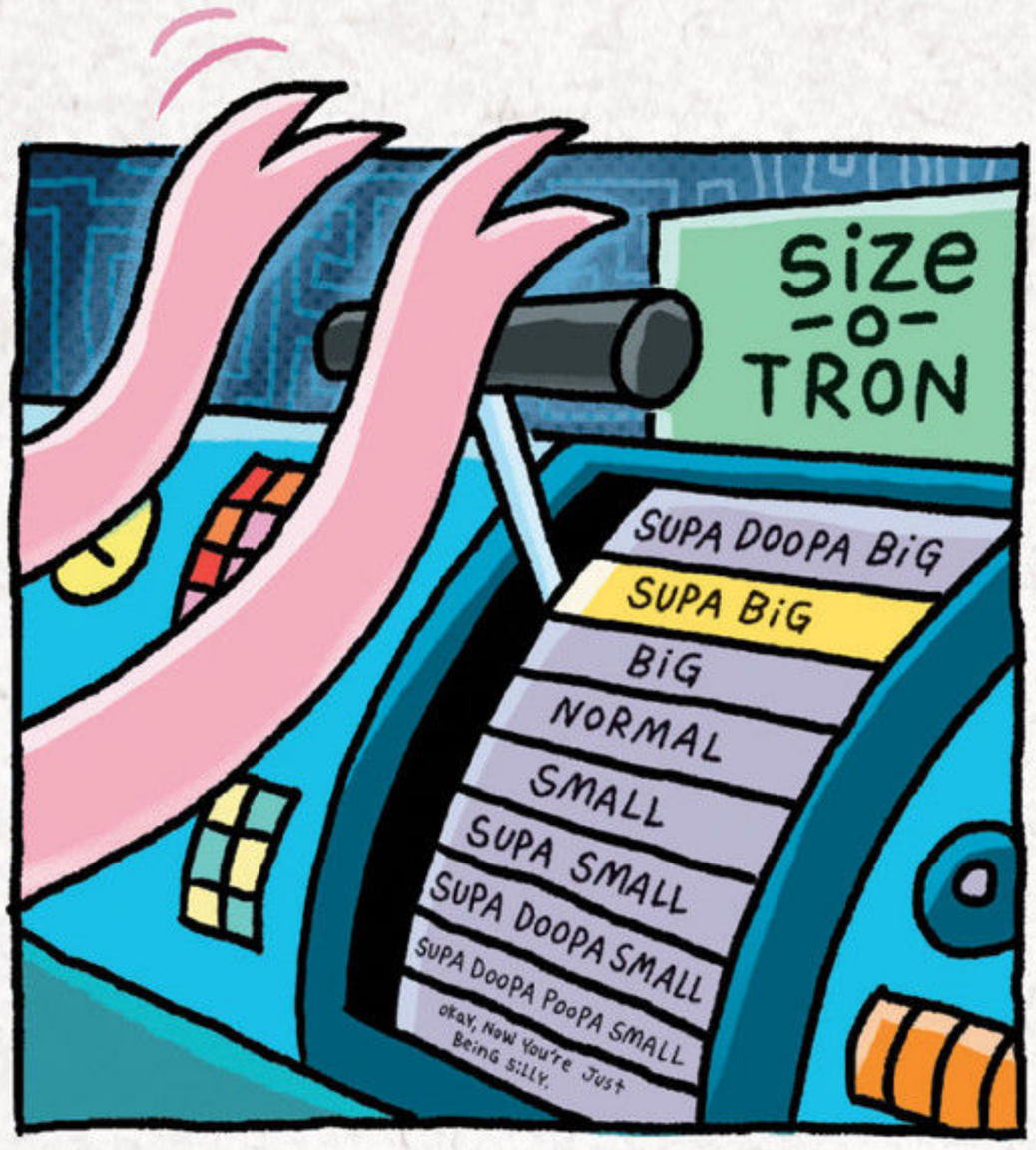
Everybody I CAN'T STAND...

...is TOGETHER in ONE PLACE!

Now's my chance...

...TO DESTROY THEM ALL!!!

SUPA DOOPA BIG
SUPA BIG
BIG
NORMAL
SMALL
SUPA SMALL
SUPA DOOPA SMALL
SUPA DOOPA POOPA SMALL
SIZE -O- TRON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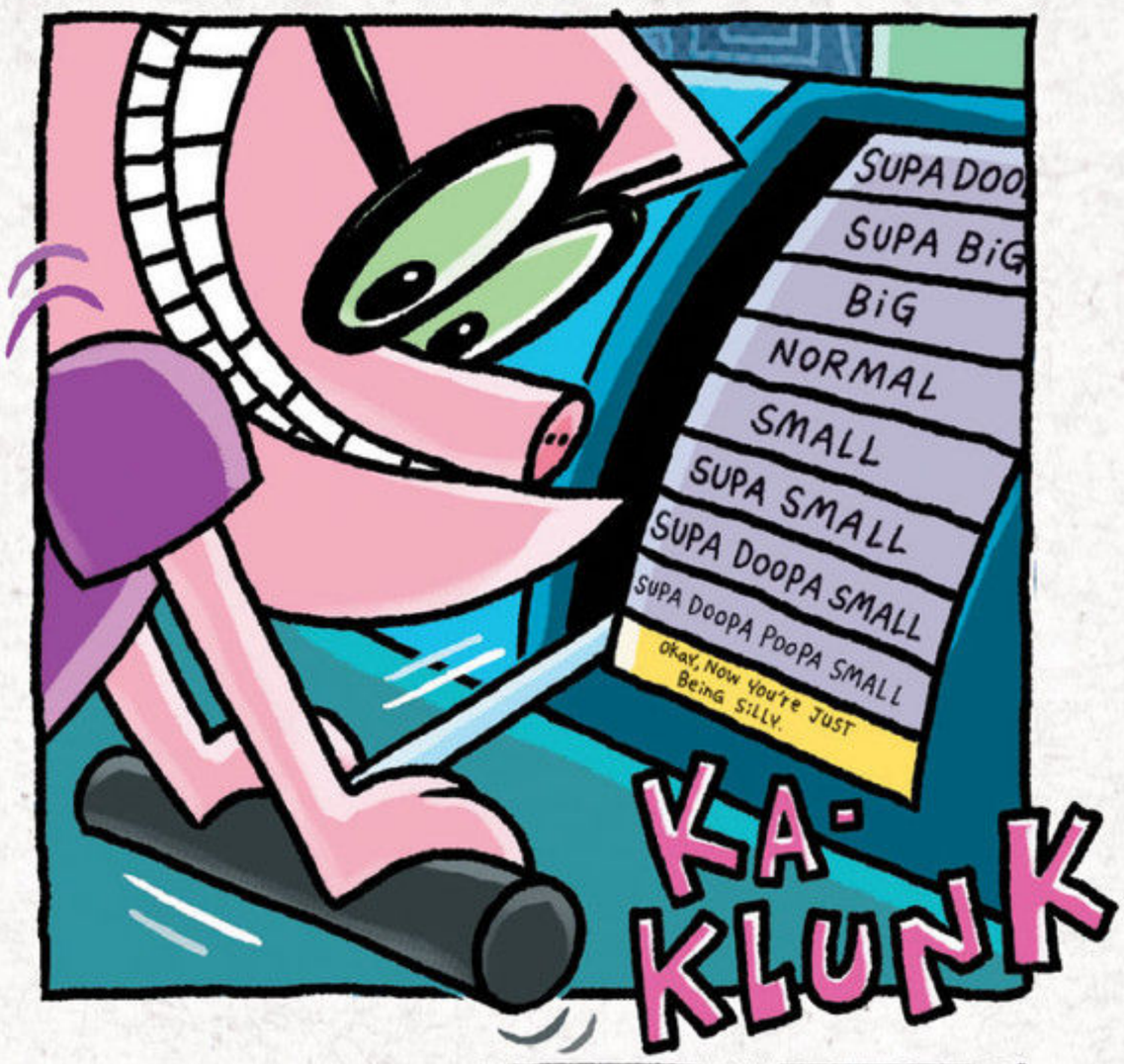
OKAY, NOW YOU'RE JUST BEING SILLY.


SUPA DOO
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SUPA DOOPA SMALL
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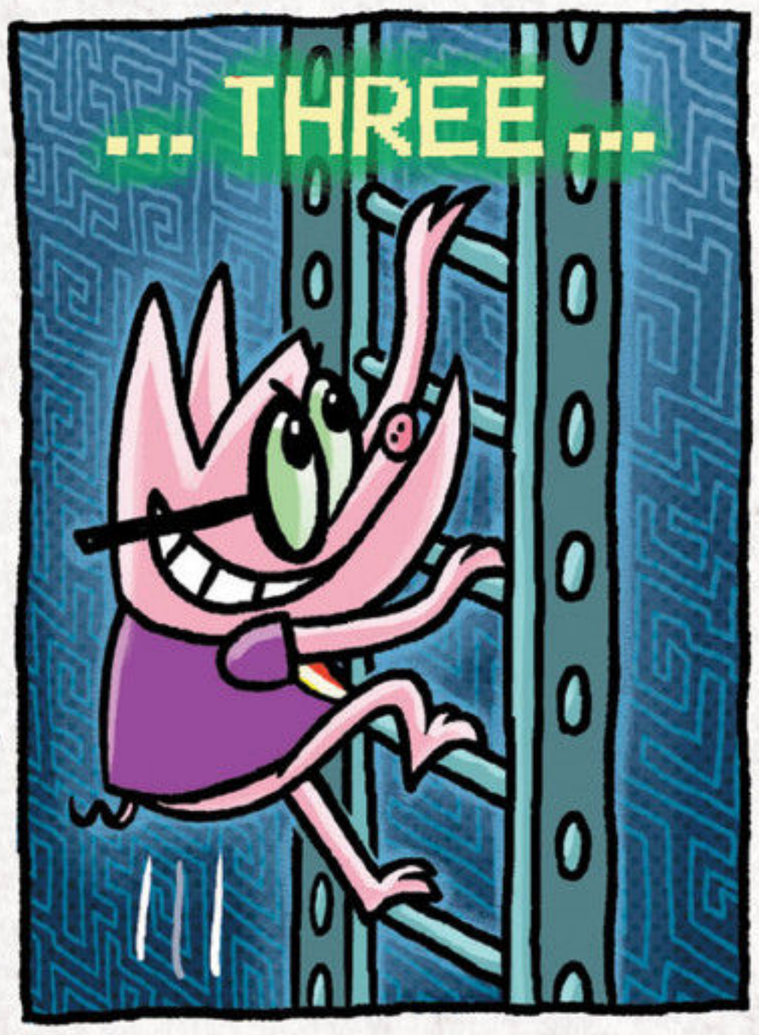
OKAY, NOW YOU'RE JUST BEING SILLY.
KA-KLUNK

SUB WILL SHRINK IN FIVE SECONDS...
SNAP

...FOUR...


... THREE ...

... TWO ...

... ONE ...

SLAM

SHRINKING NOW

SHA SHA SHA

SHA SHA SHA

SHA SHA SHA

SHA SHA SHA

SHA SHA SHA

SHA SHA SHA

SHA SHA SHA

All of my Problems...

SHA SHA SHA

...are Getting smaller and smaller!!!

SHA SHA SHA

Bye-bye, **Losers!**

SHA SHA SHA

I think I'll send them all off...

SHA SHA SHA

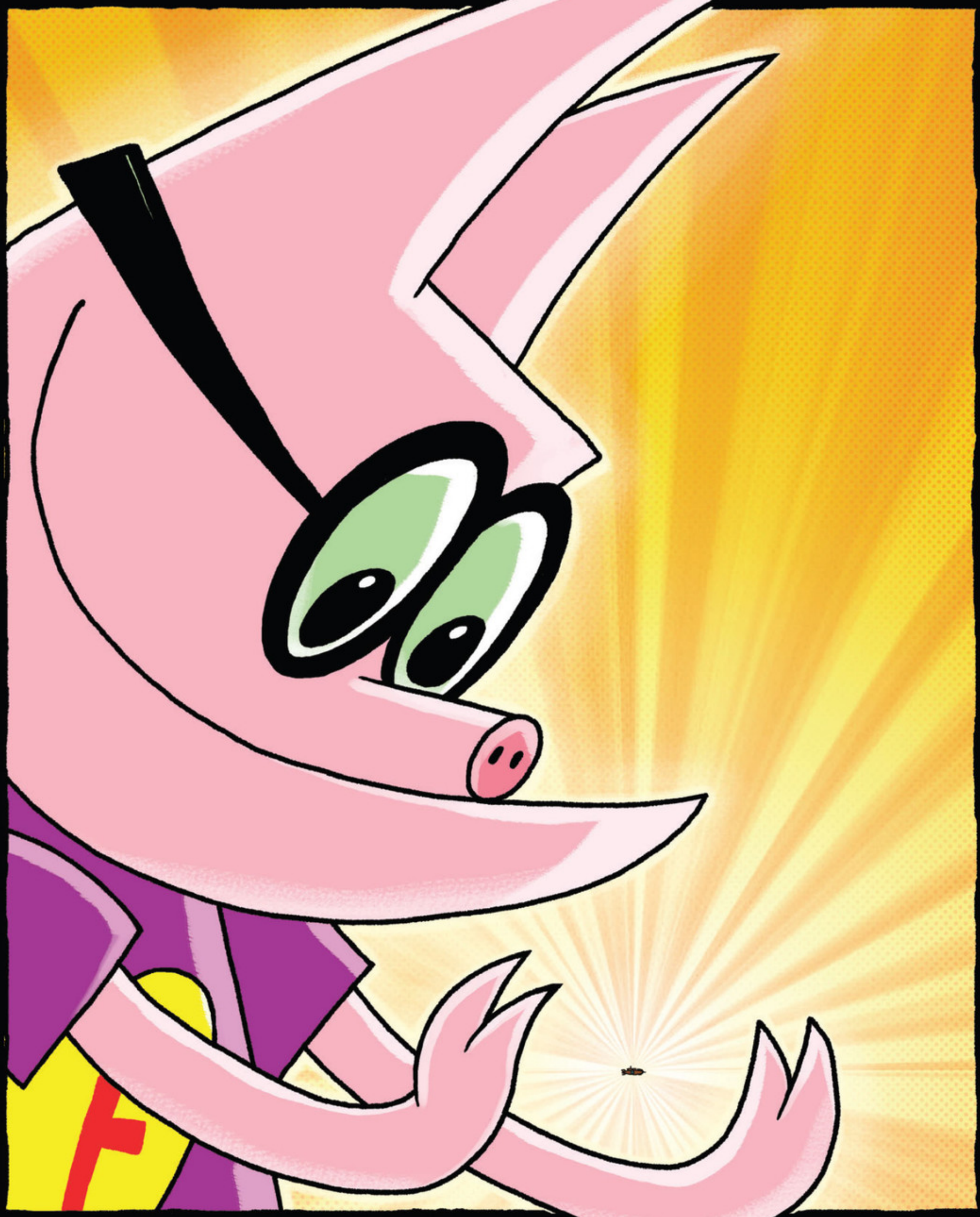
...with a STANDING OVATION!

SLAP-E-RAMA

Let's Get PiGGY WiTH it!

READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA



C'mon, Get SLAPPY!

FLIP-E-RAMA

C'mon, Get SLAPPY!

Well, that was...

...

...Hey!!!

Where ARE they?

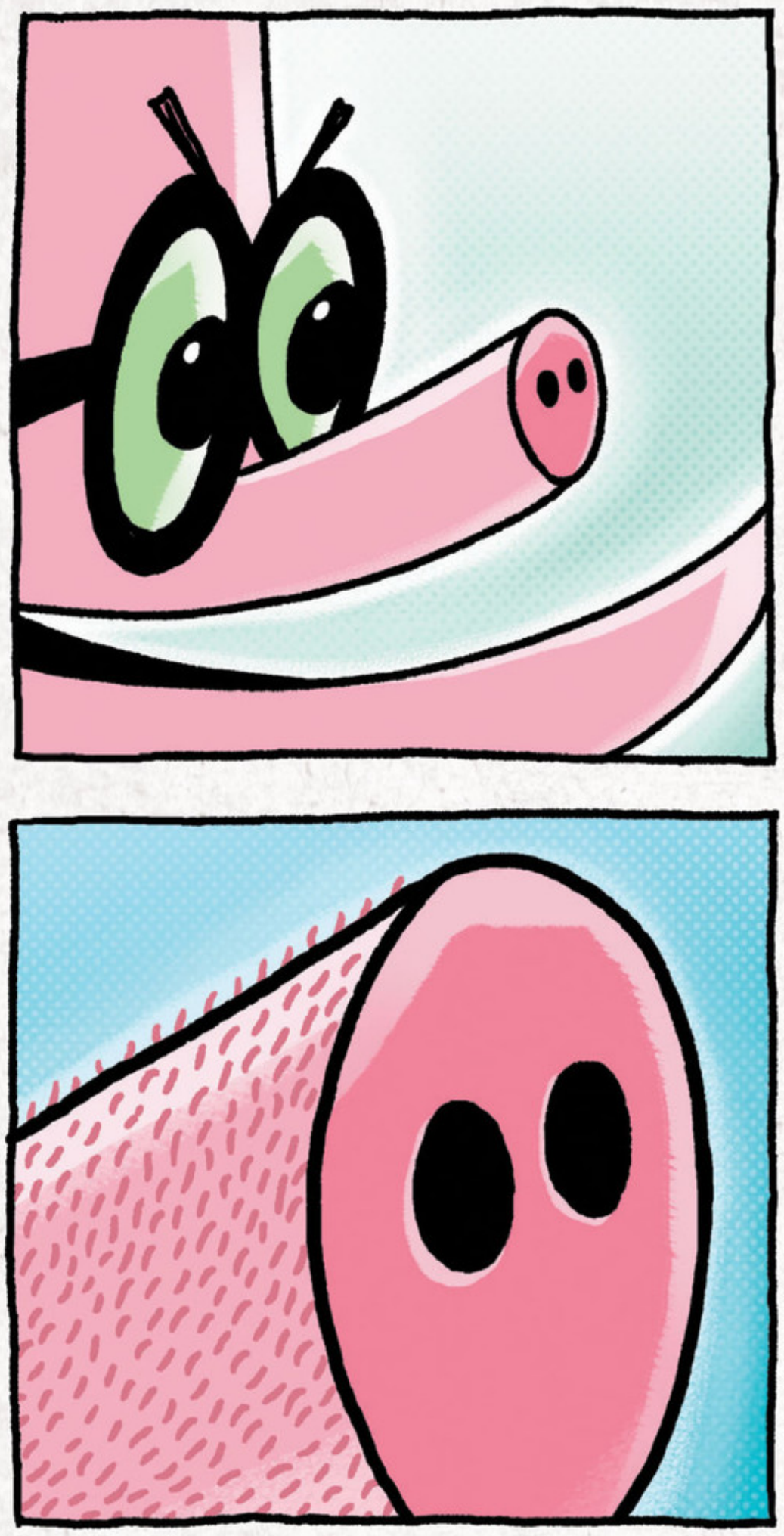
scratch
scratch
scratch

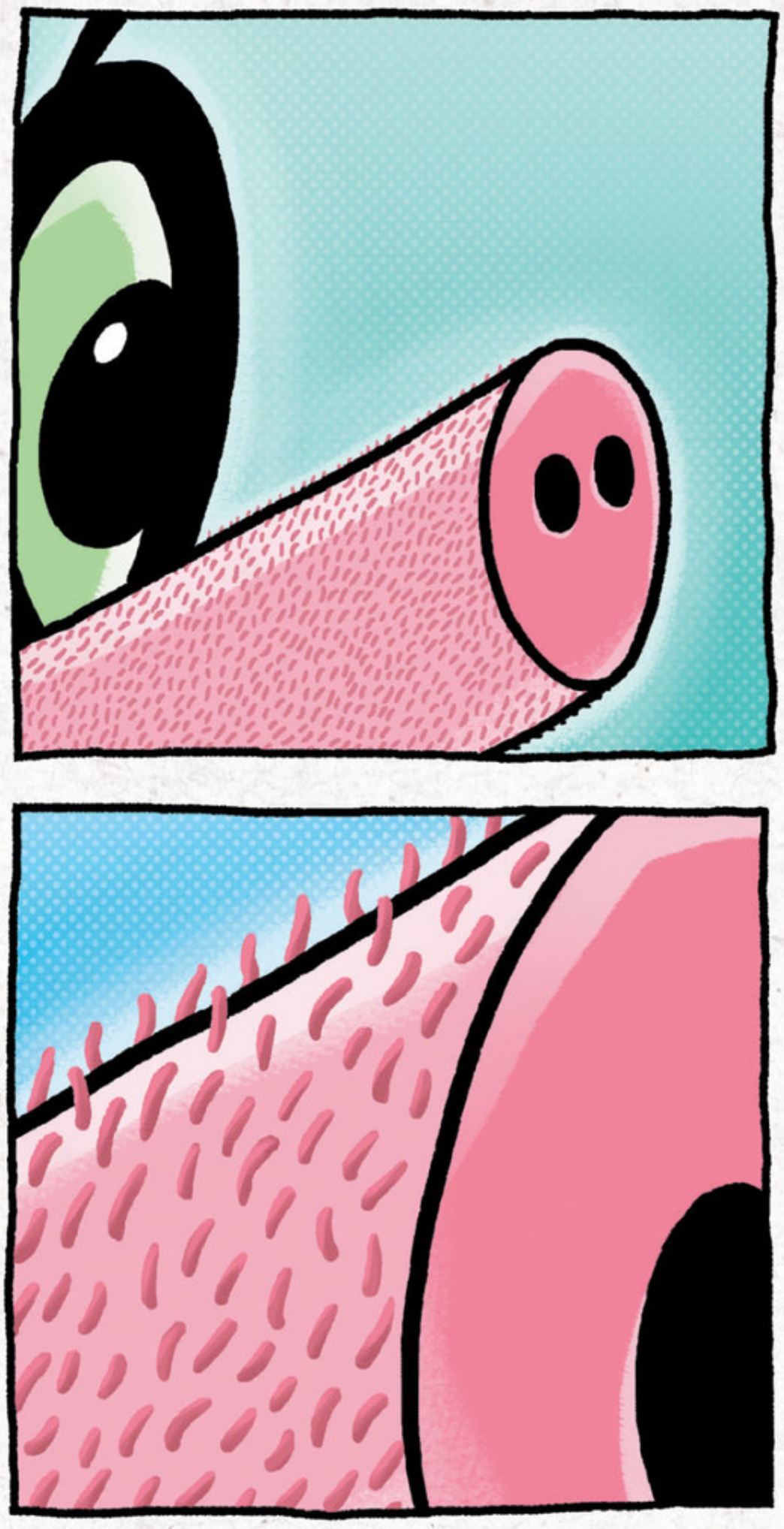
Oh, well...

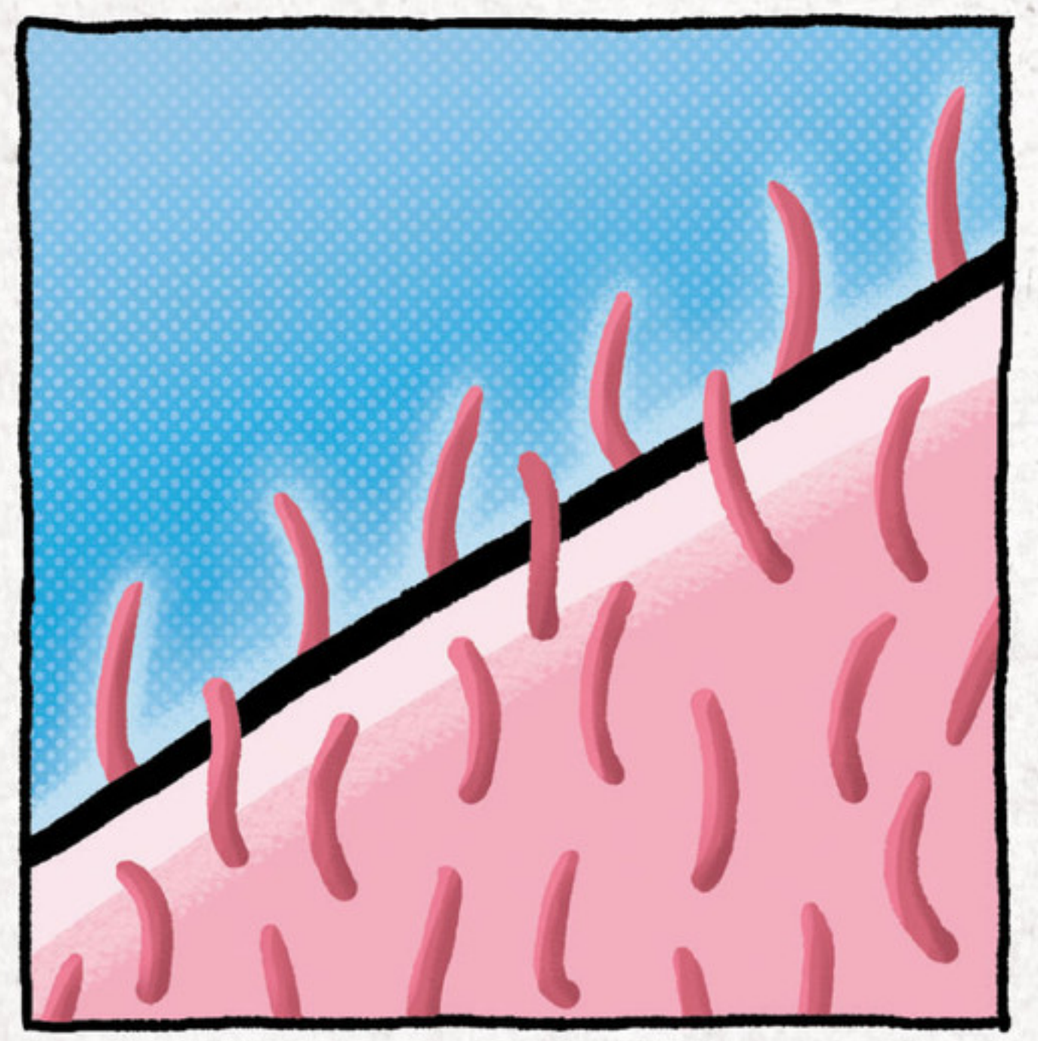
...it's CRiME TiME!!!

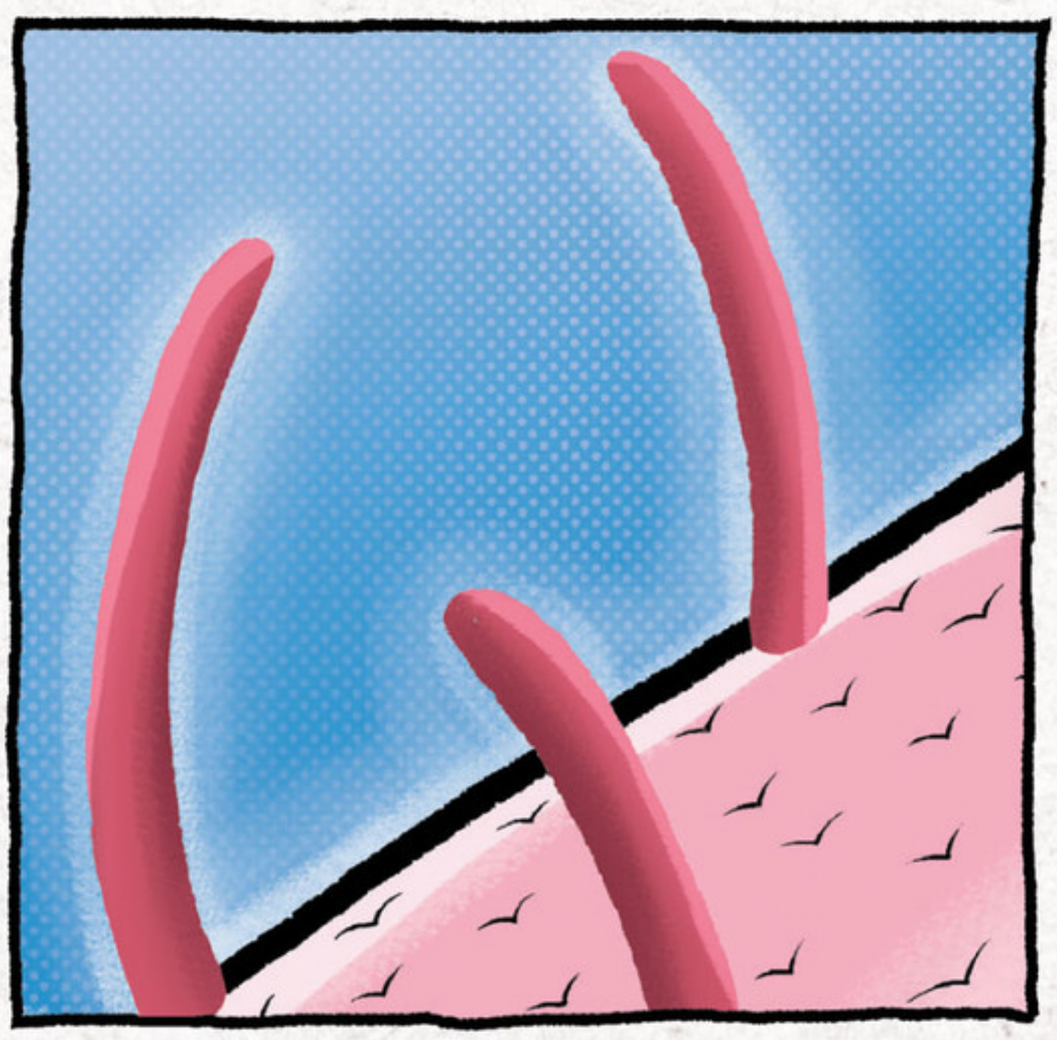
Chapter 12

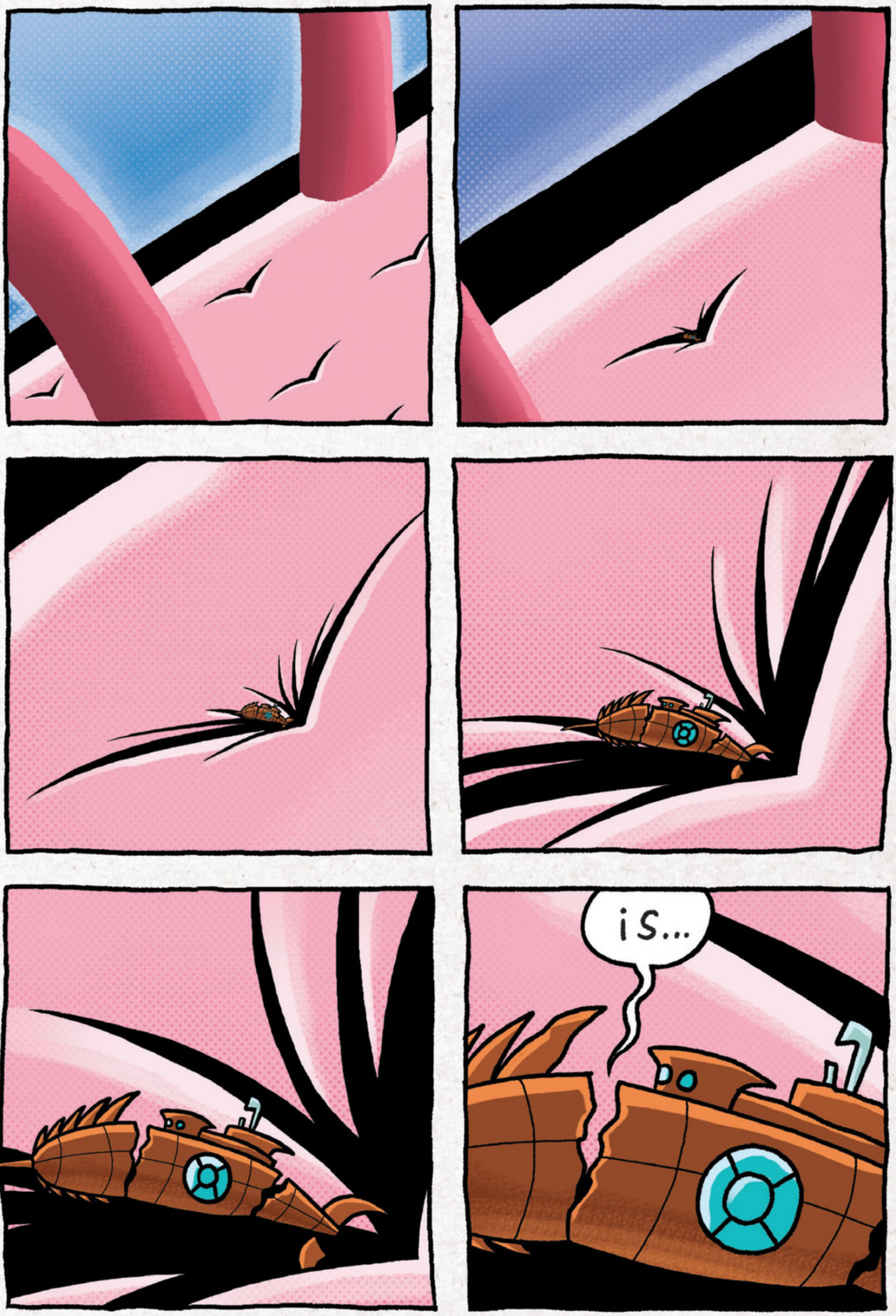
ZOOM IN










is...

...is everybody okay?

Yeah, I think so.

WHAT happened?

It appears we've SHRunK to MicRoscopic Size!!!

Status ReporT

You small!!!

Our sub was DAMAGED...

...we've lost our PROPELLER...

RRRRRRReeeeeeeeeT

...AND WE'RE SLIDING INTO A SWEAT GLAND!!!

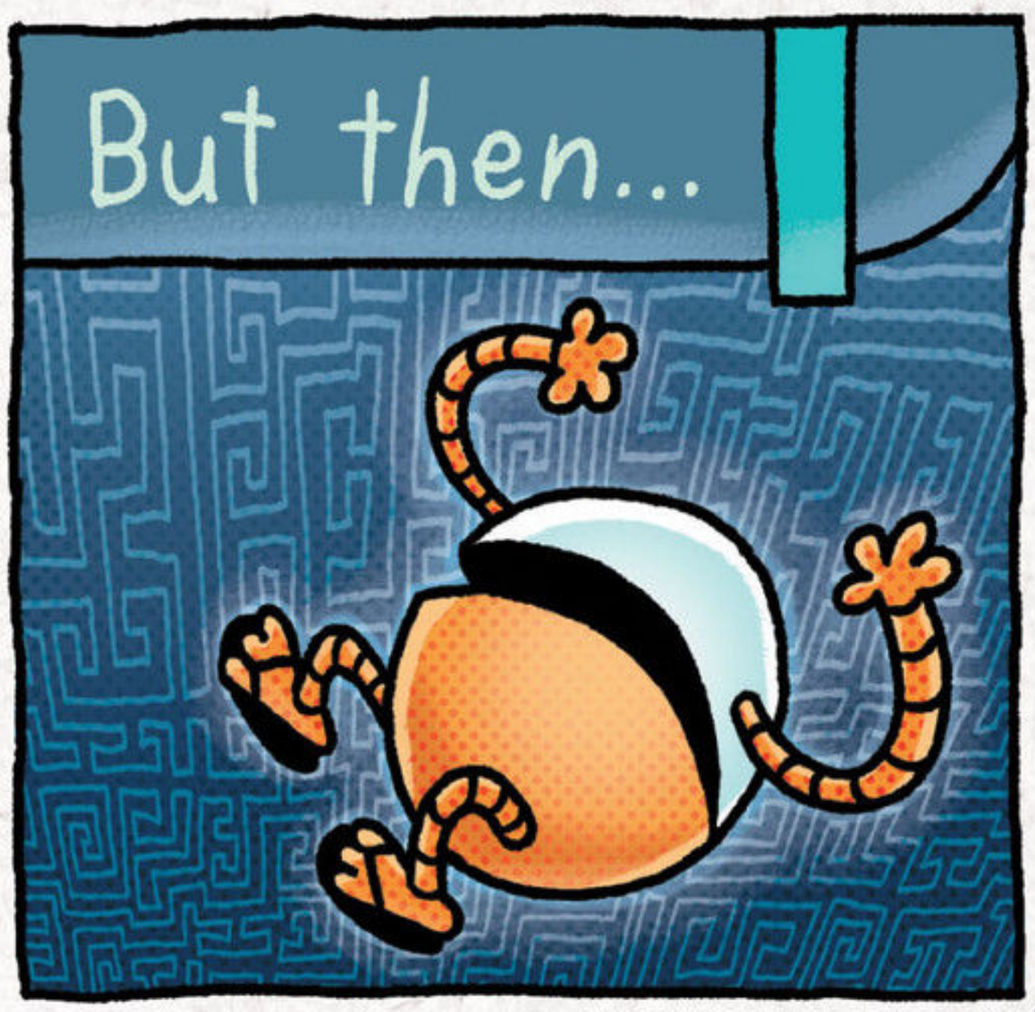
SSSSSSLIP

Let's Just Grow BiG AGAin!!!

We CAN't!

OUR Size-O-Tron is BUSTED!!!

YAAA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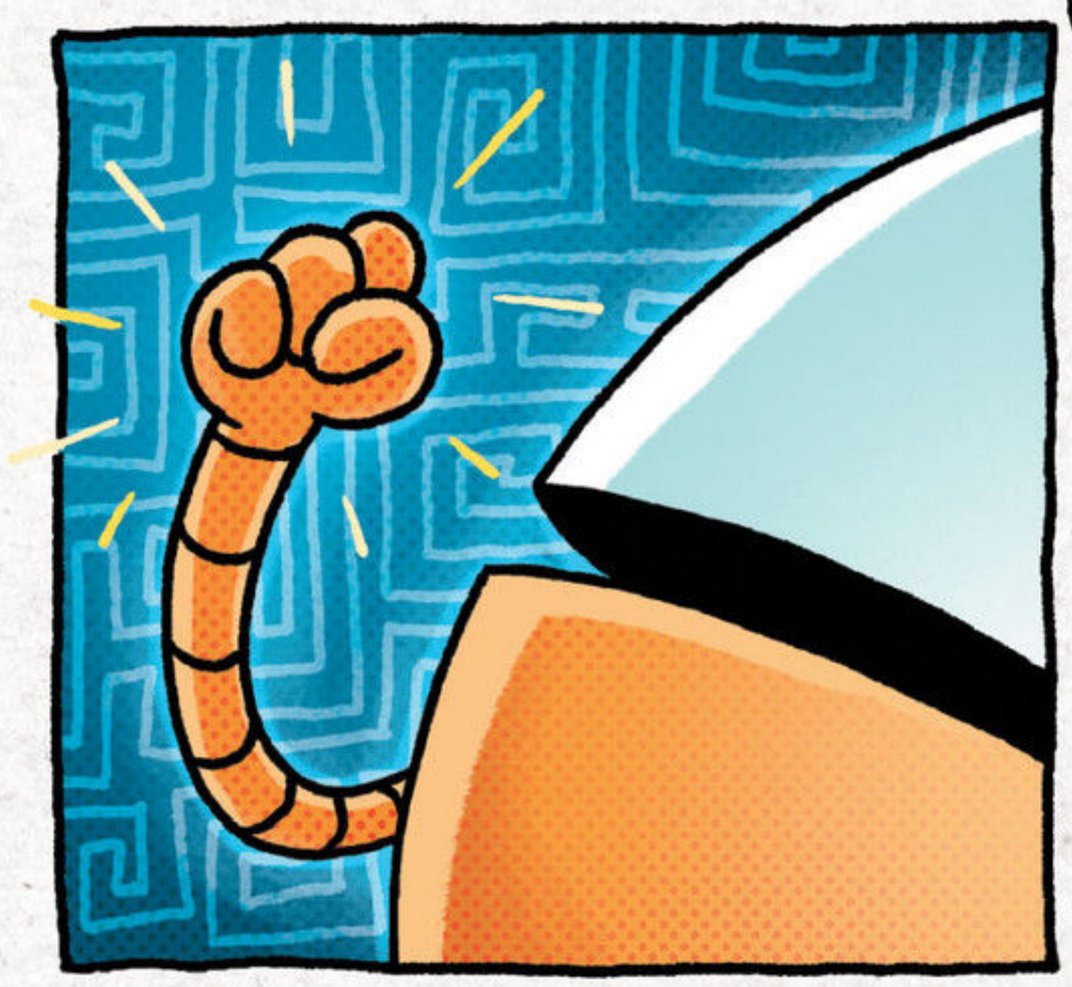


SHOOF
SHOOF

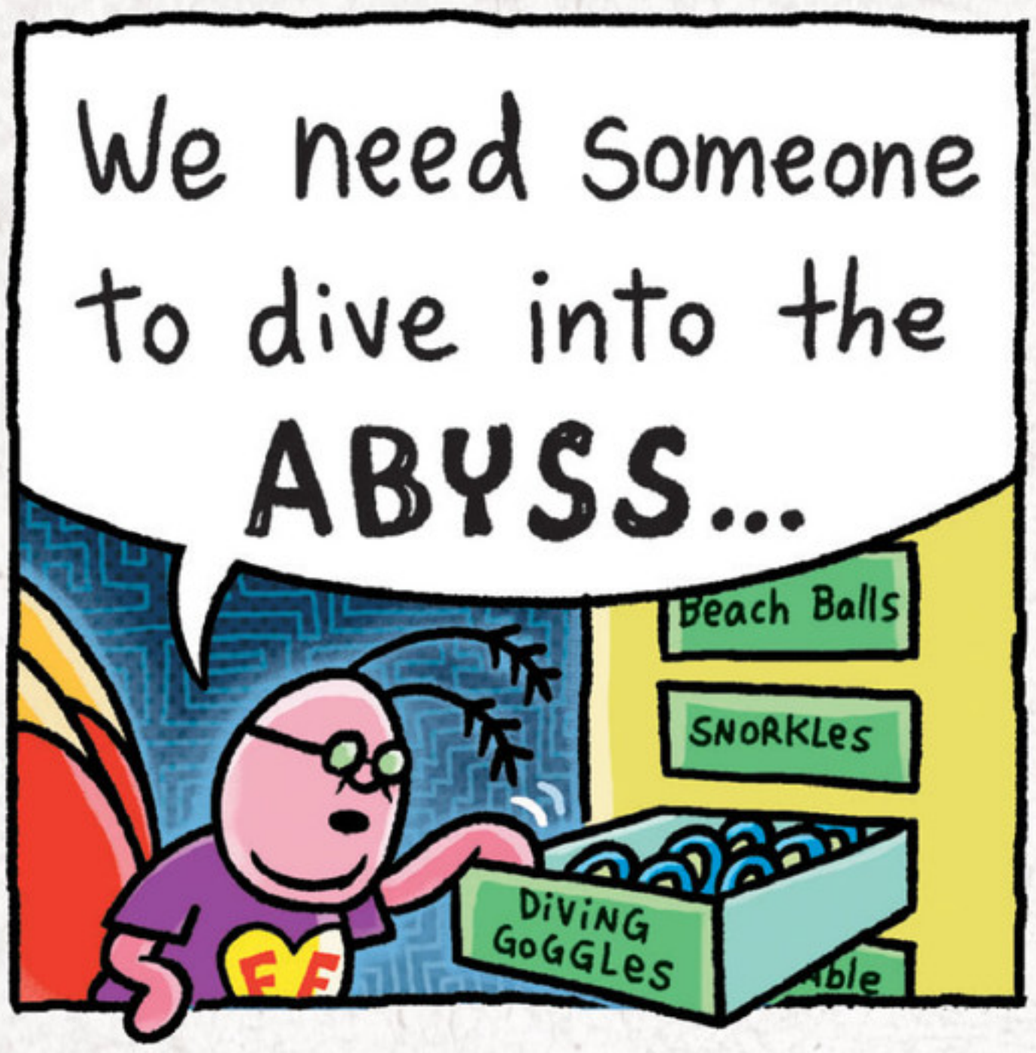
FFFF

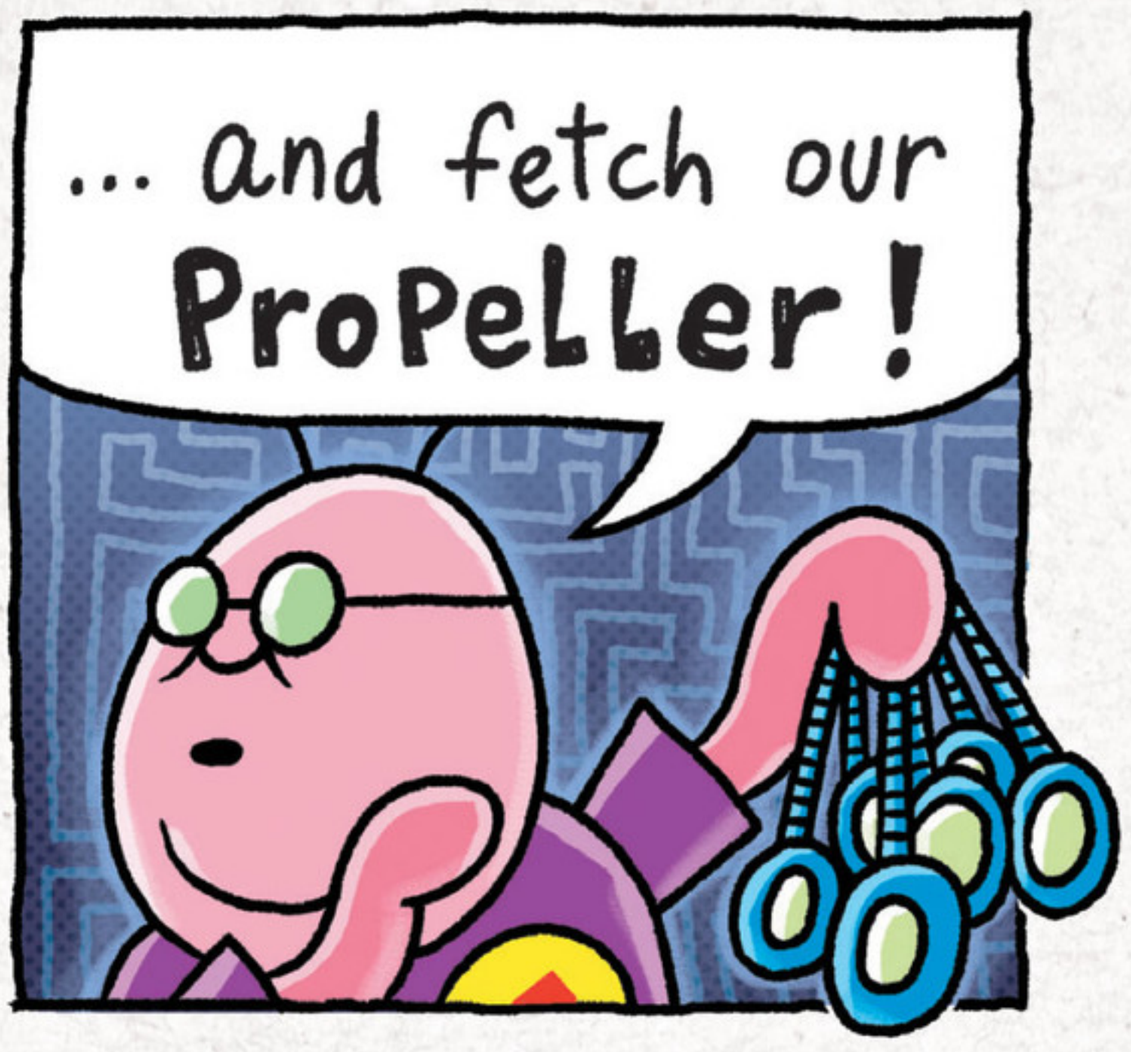
80-HD SAVED US!!!

HOORAY for 80-HD!

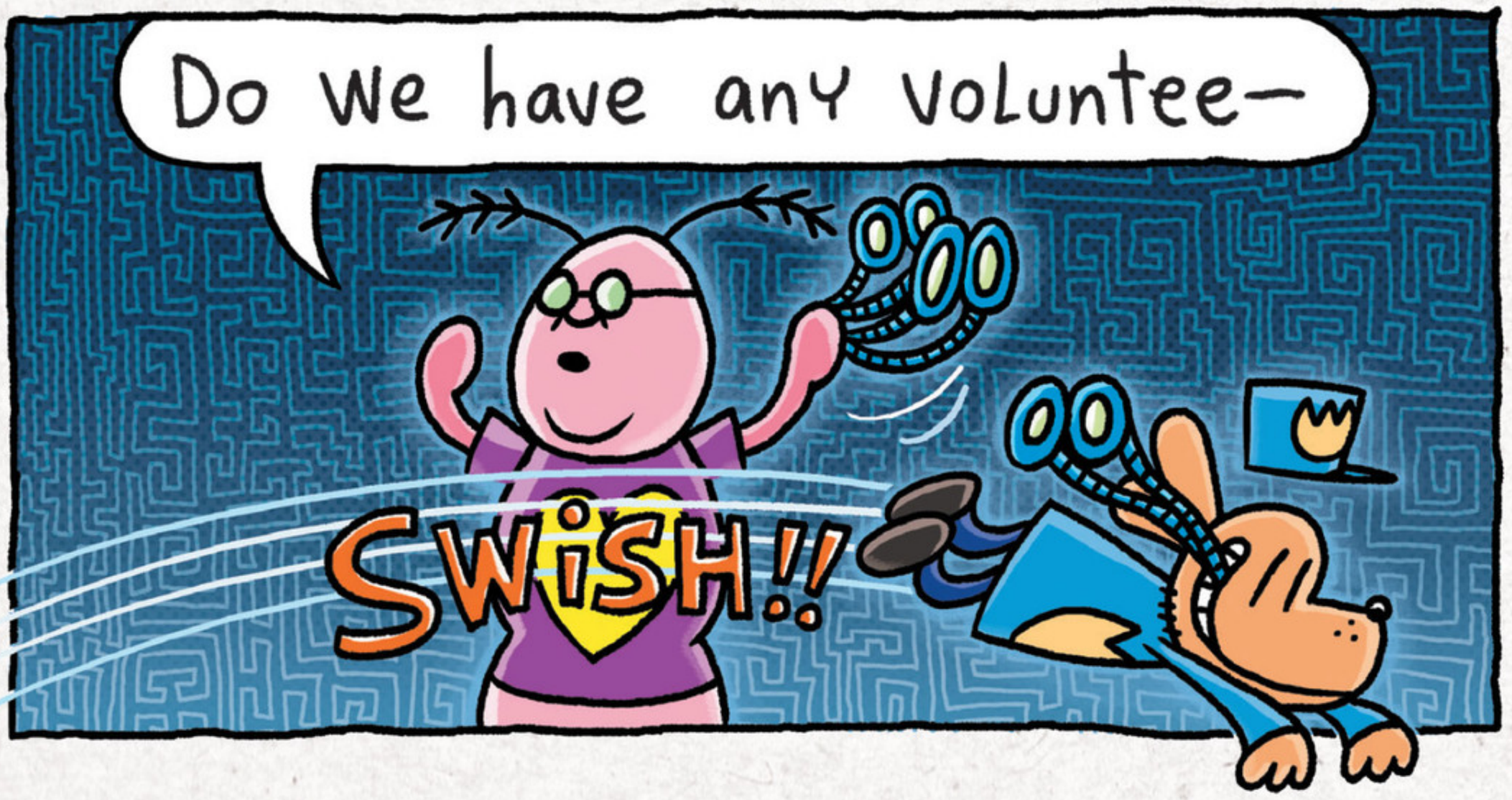
We're not out of this yet...

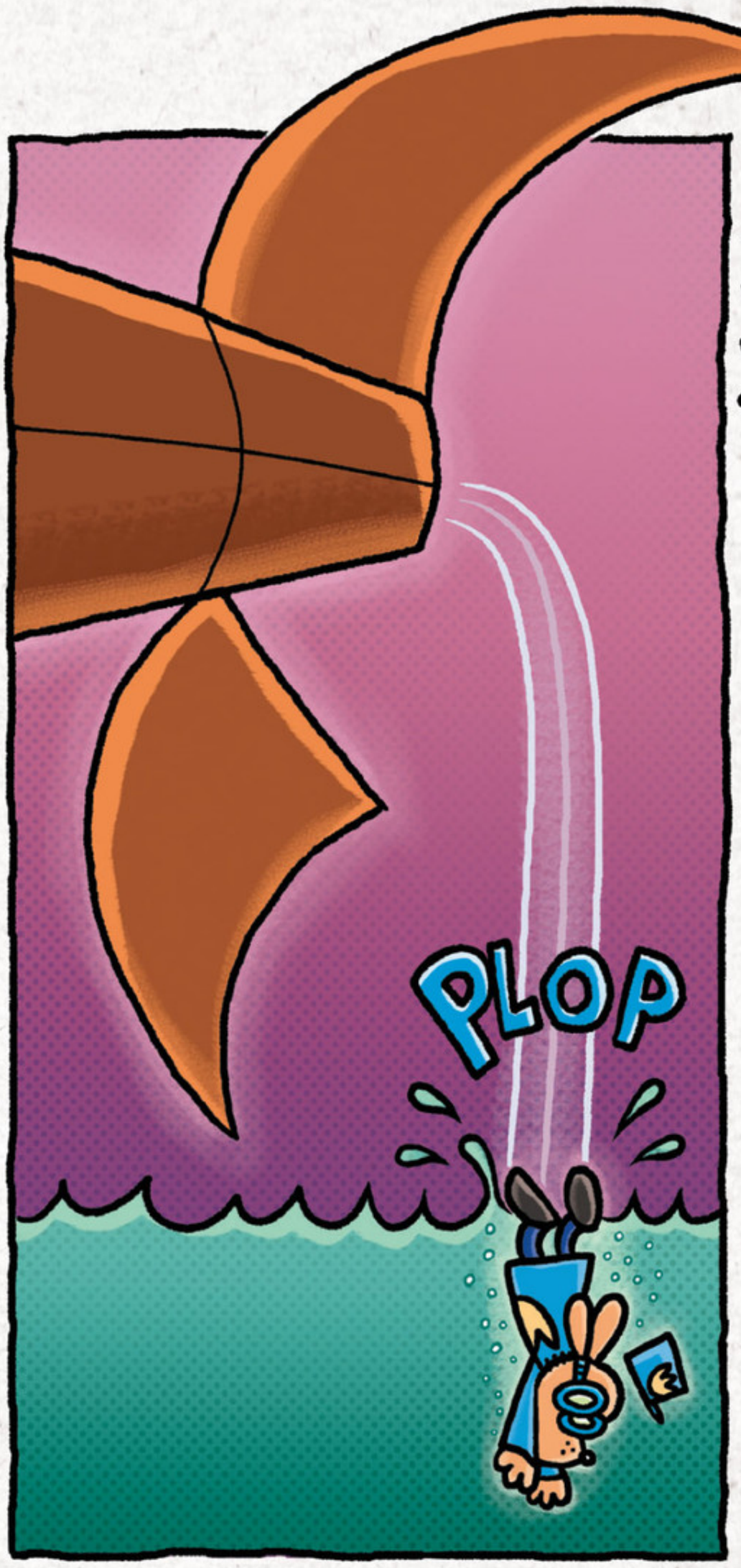
You in BIG trouble. brah.


We need someone to dive into the ABYSS...
Beach Balls
SNORKLES
DIVING GOGGLES


... and fetch our PROPELLER!

Somebody who's not afraid to Get Stinky!!!


Do We have any voluntee—
SWISH!!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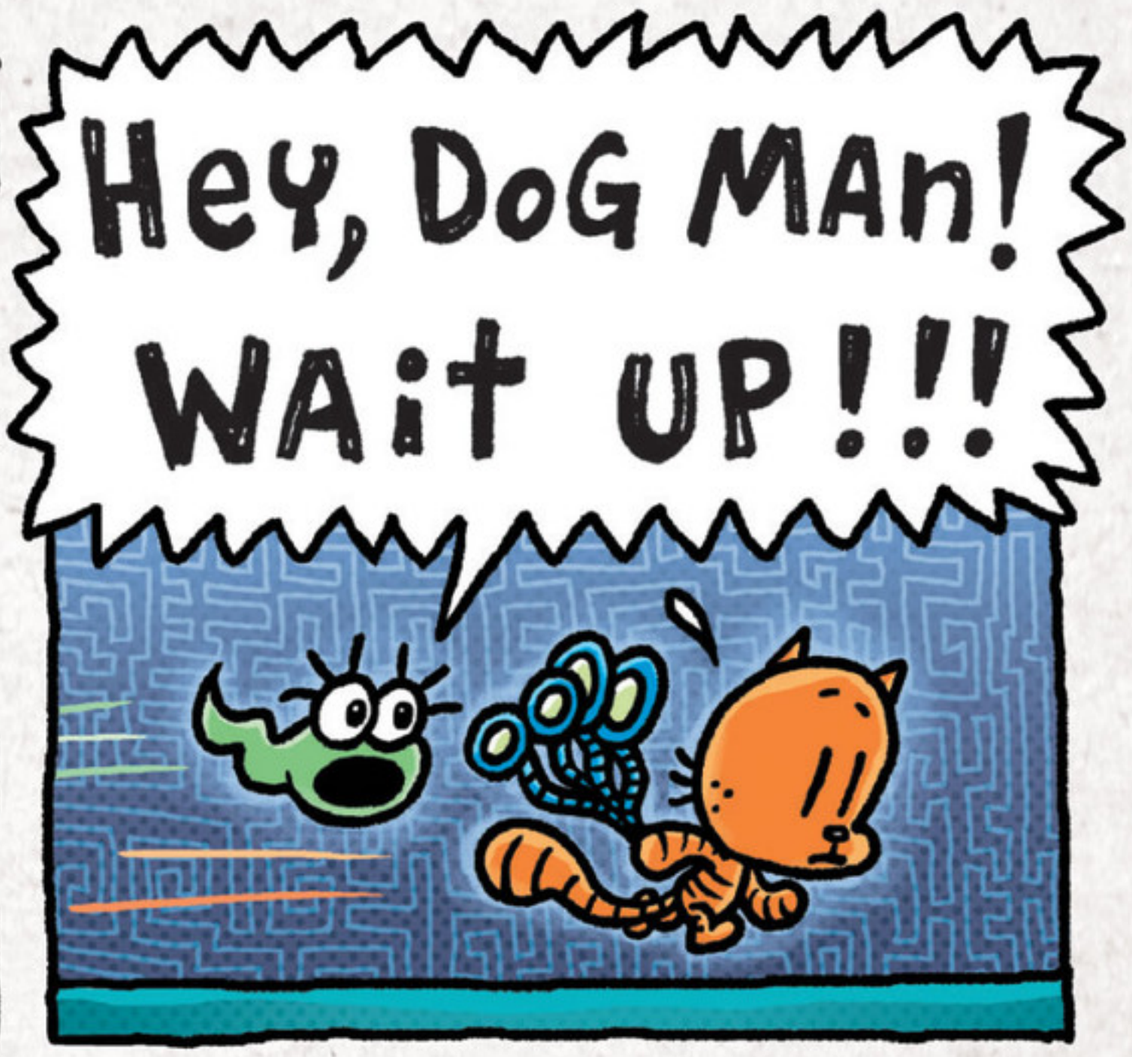
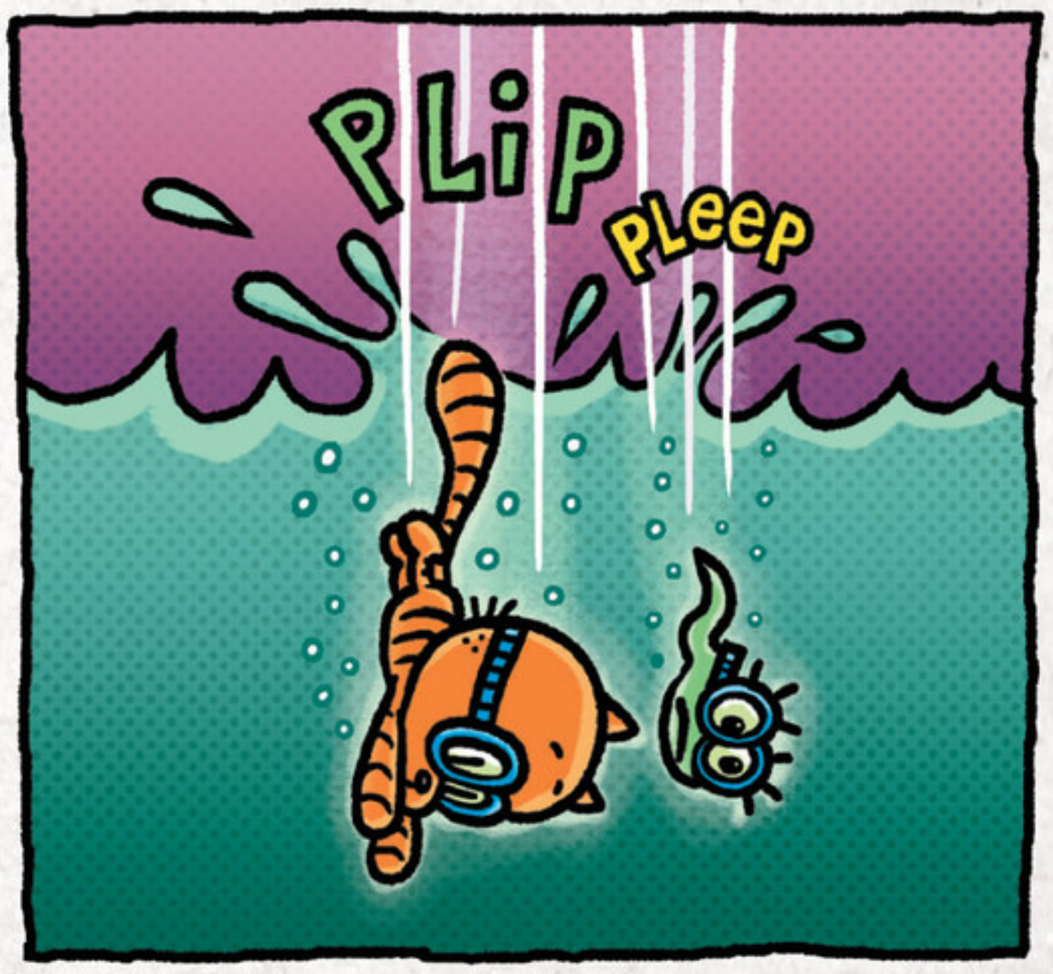

Hey, DoG MAn!
WAit UP!!!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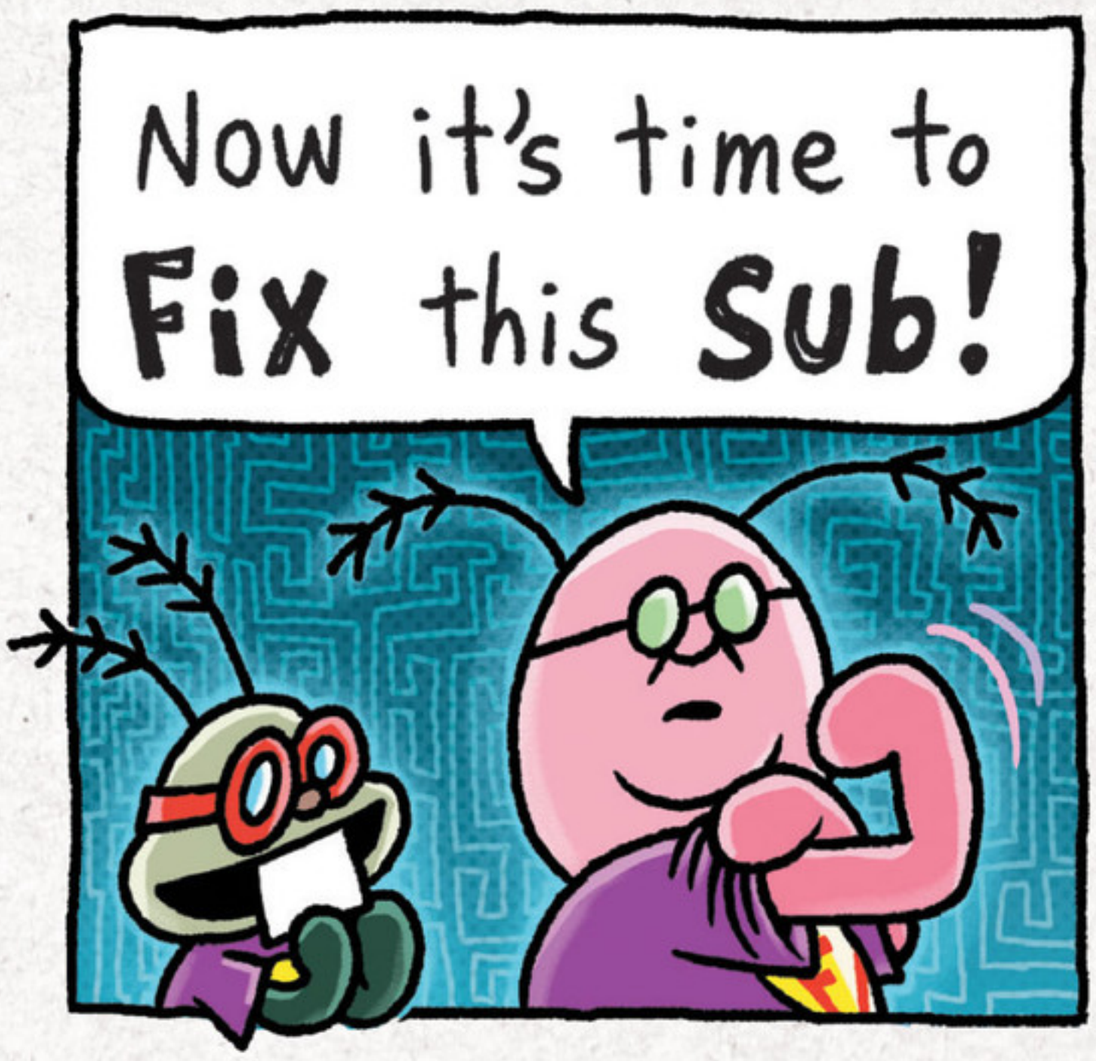

Now it's time to
Fix this Sub!

AYe, AYe, CAPTAin!

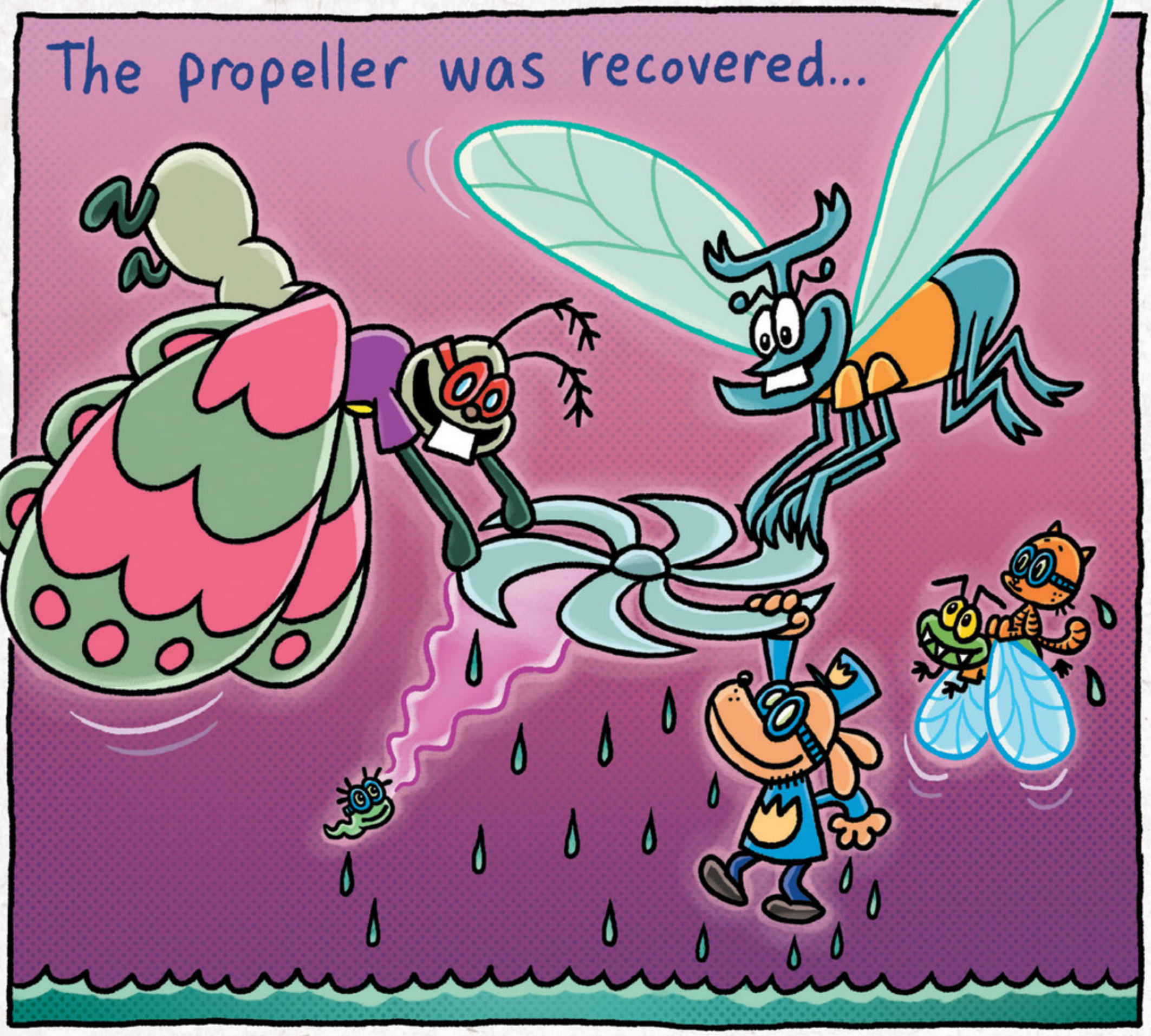
The three brave friends swam **Down**...

... and brought the Propeller back **UP!**

But then...

Chapter 13

This Mite Be a Problem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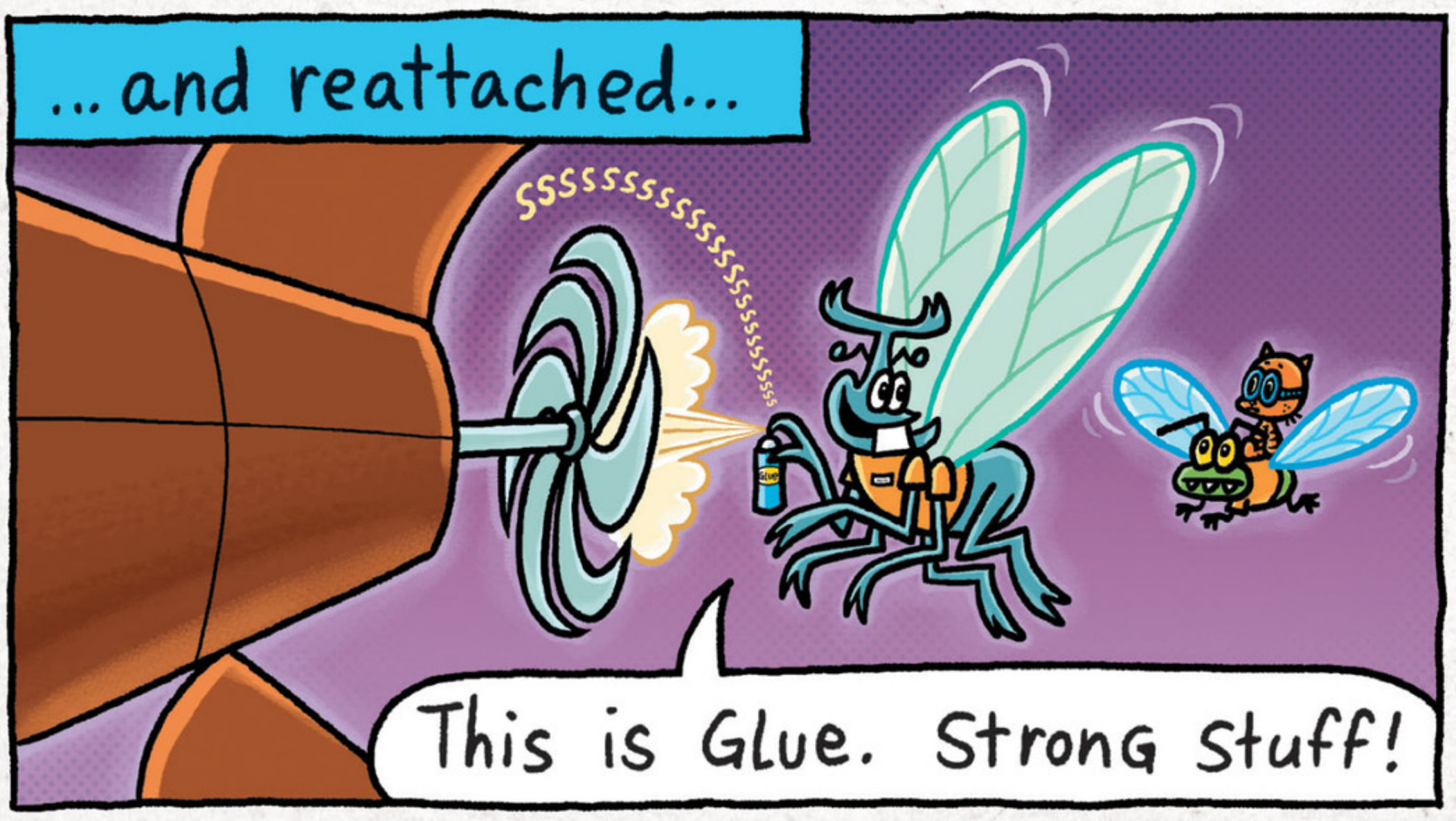

...and reattached...
SSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS
This is Glue. Strong Stuff!

...and soon the damaged Sub...

SUPA DOOPA BIG
SUPA BIG
BIG
NORMAL
SMALL
SUPA SMALL
SUPA DOOPA SMALL
SUPA DOOPA POOPA SMALL

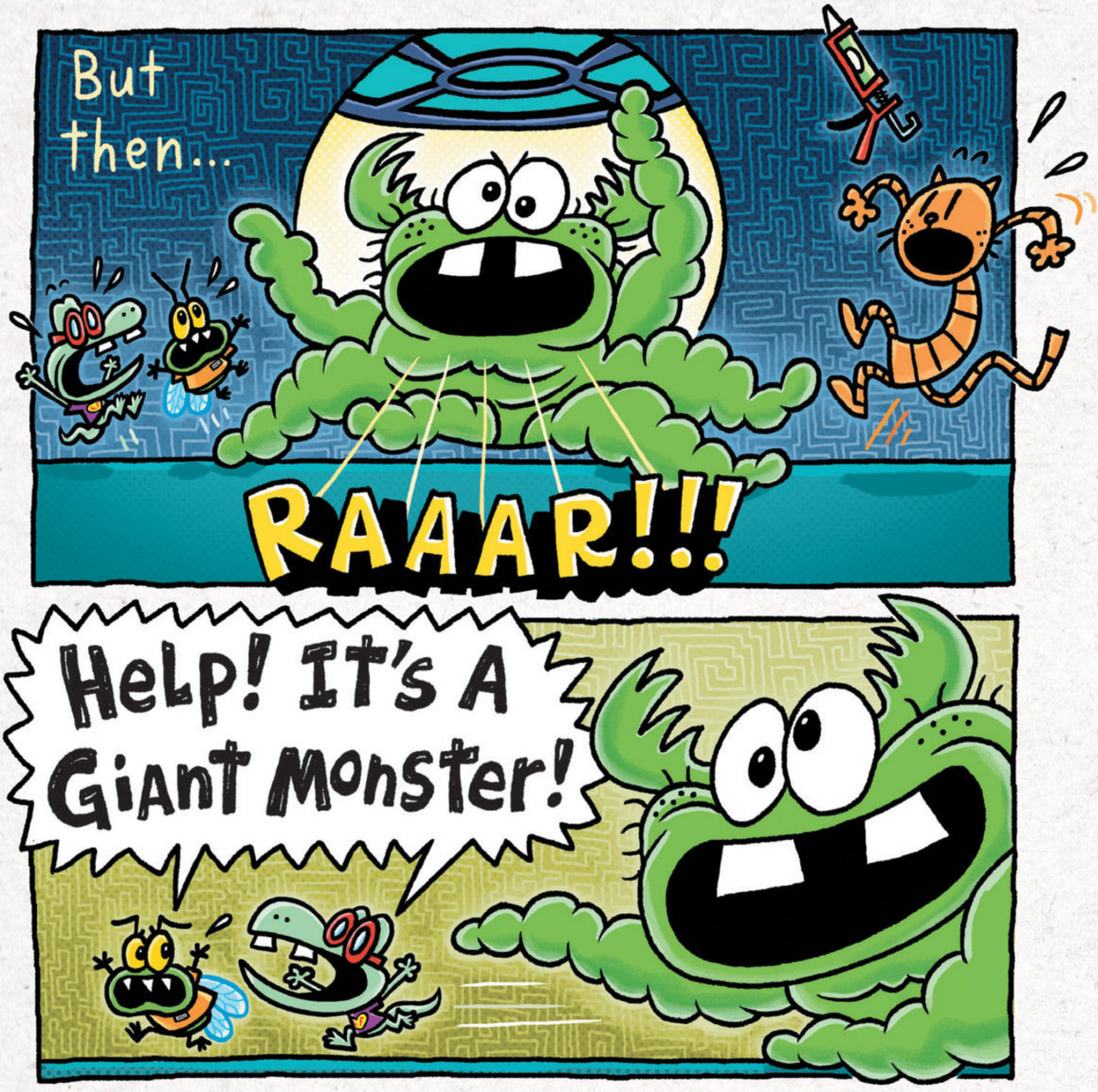
This is Tape. Strong stuff!

...was set to soar again!!!

This is acrylic Latex caulk. Strong Stuff!

I think we're ready to Go!!!

What could Possibly Go wrong???


But then...
RAAAR!!!
Help! It's a Giant Monster!
Actually, it's really just a Microscopic Parasitic Mite...

...of the Genus: **Demodex.**

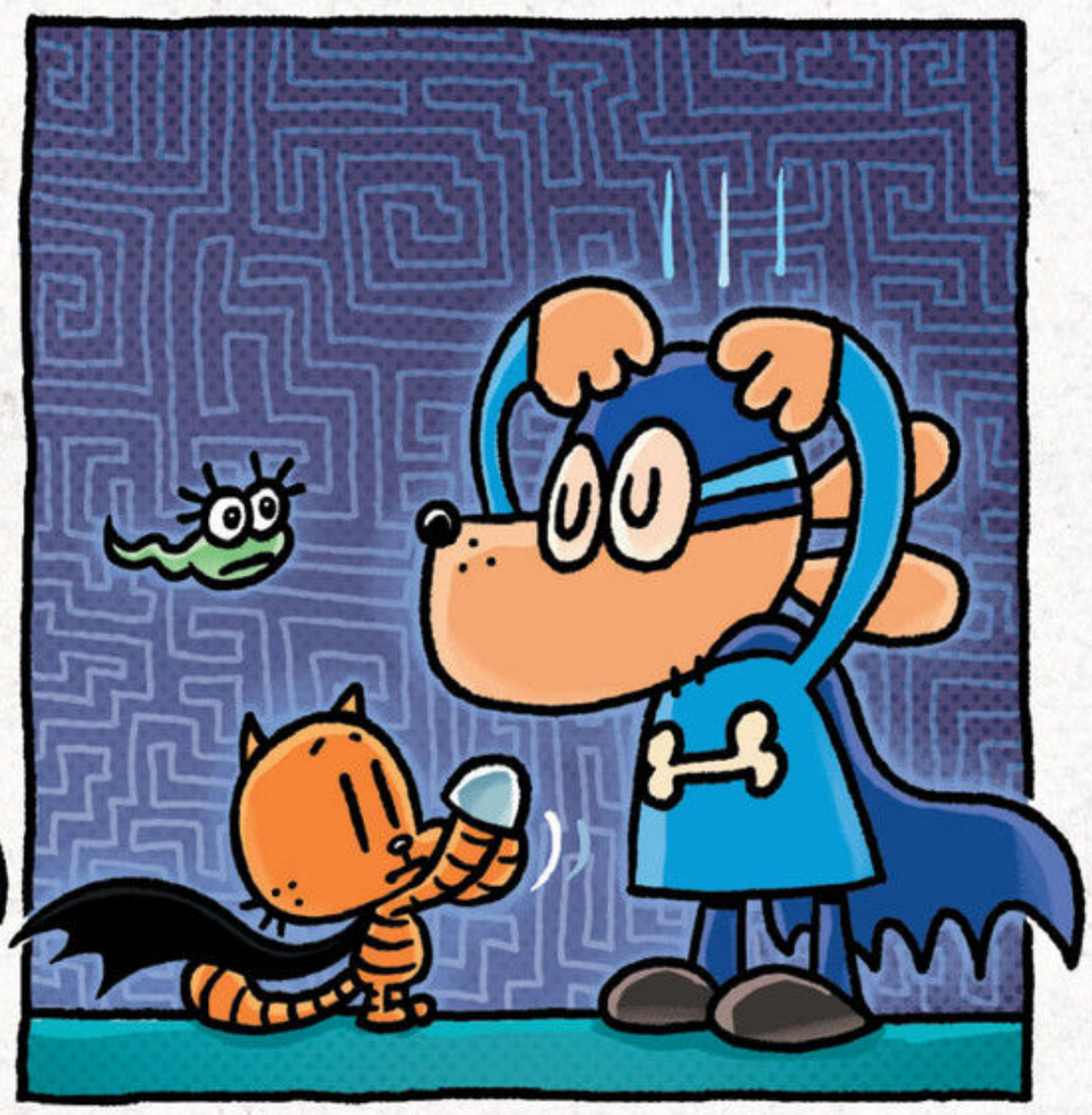
In small numbers, they're quite harmless!

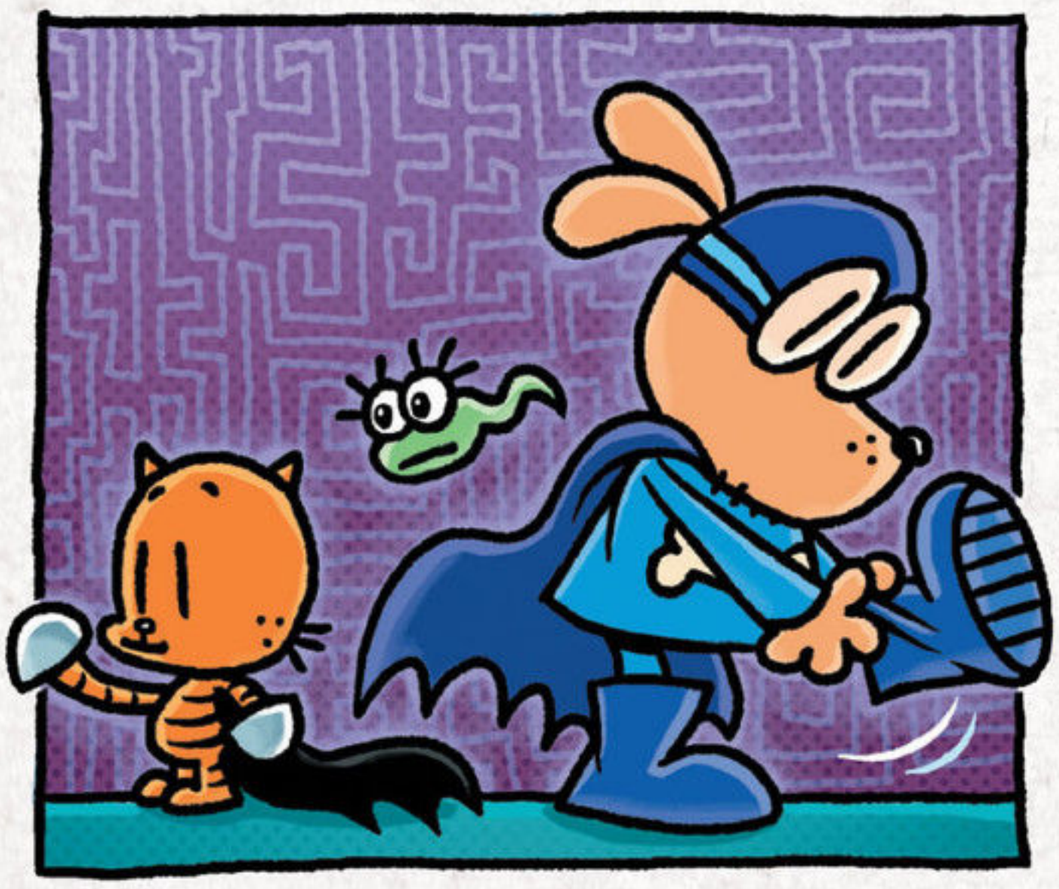
UNCLE LARRY!

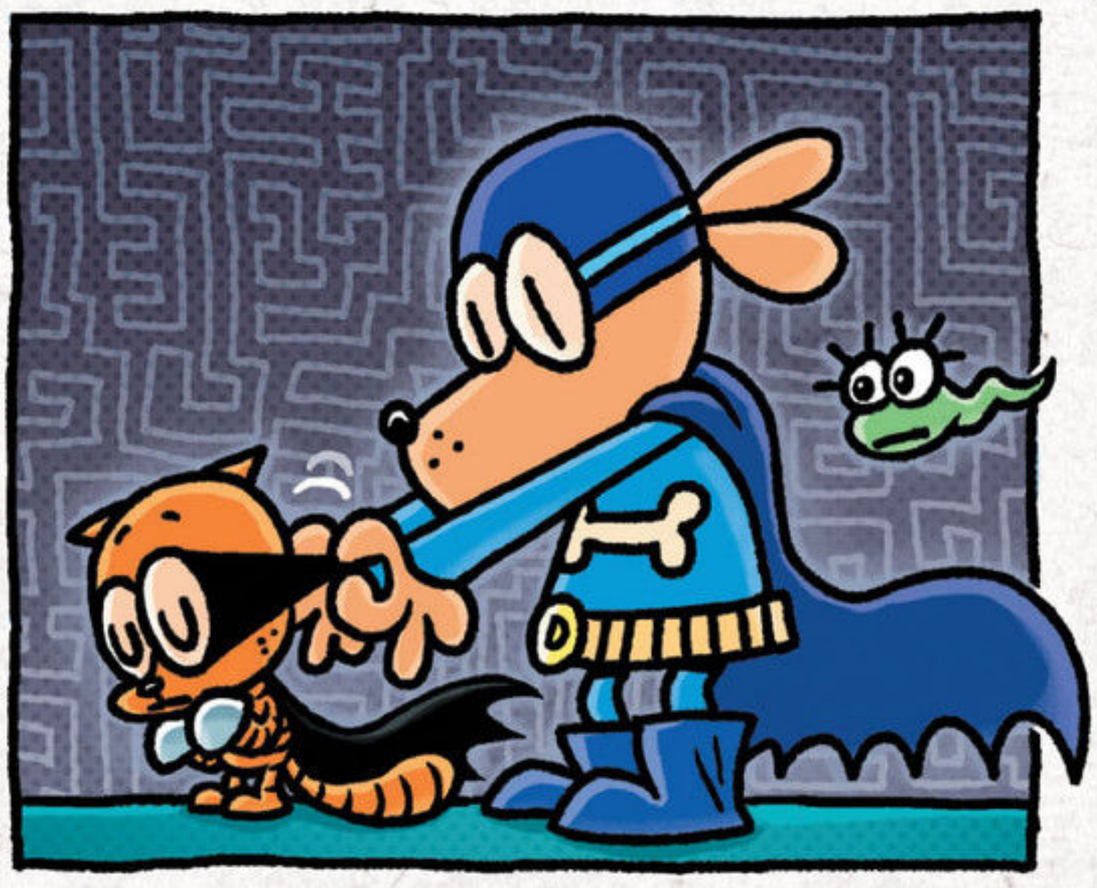
This looks like a Job for the **SUPA BUDDies!**

We need our costumes!!!
COSTUMES

And so...







Something is MissinG!

Hey...

COSTUMES

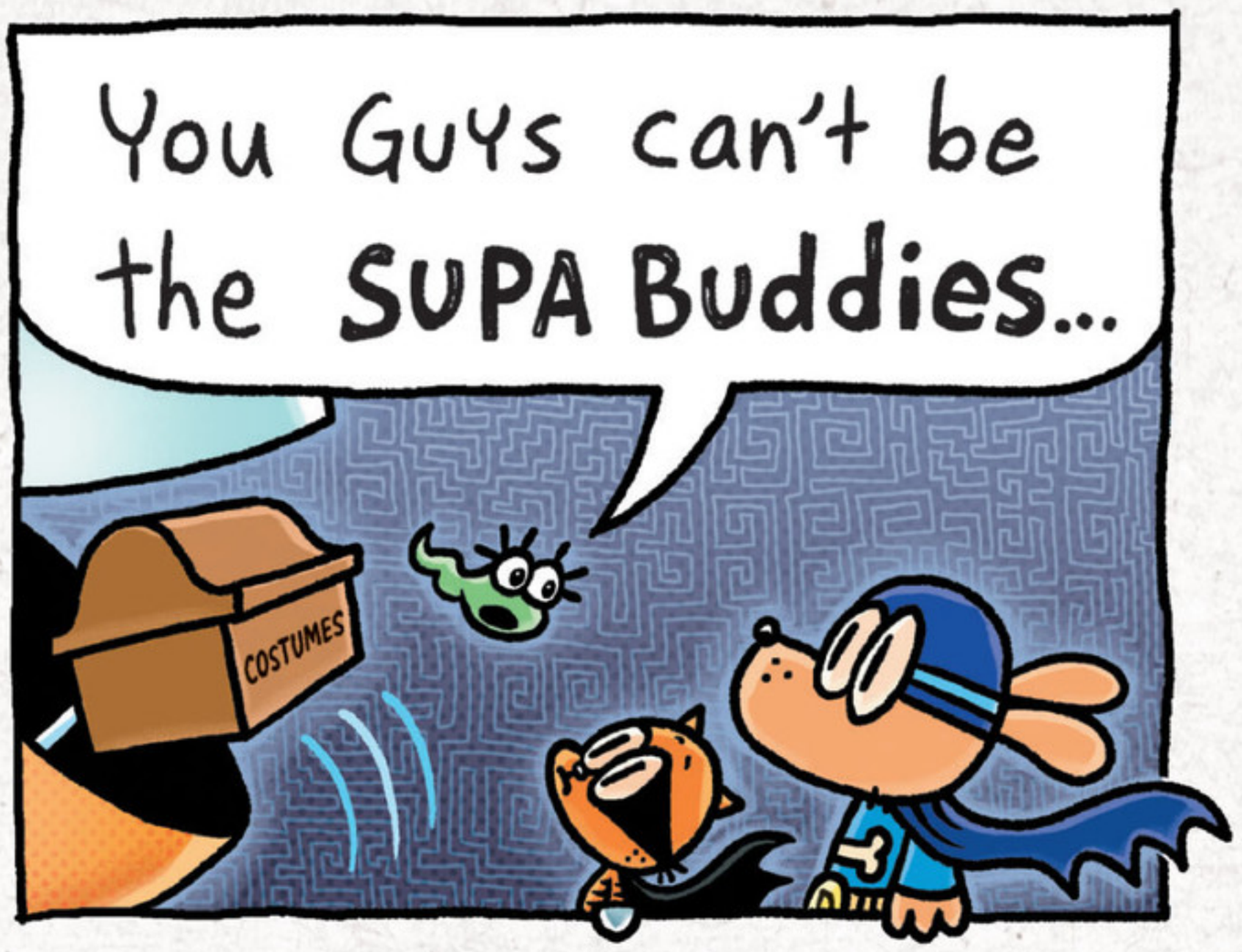
What about 80-HD??

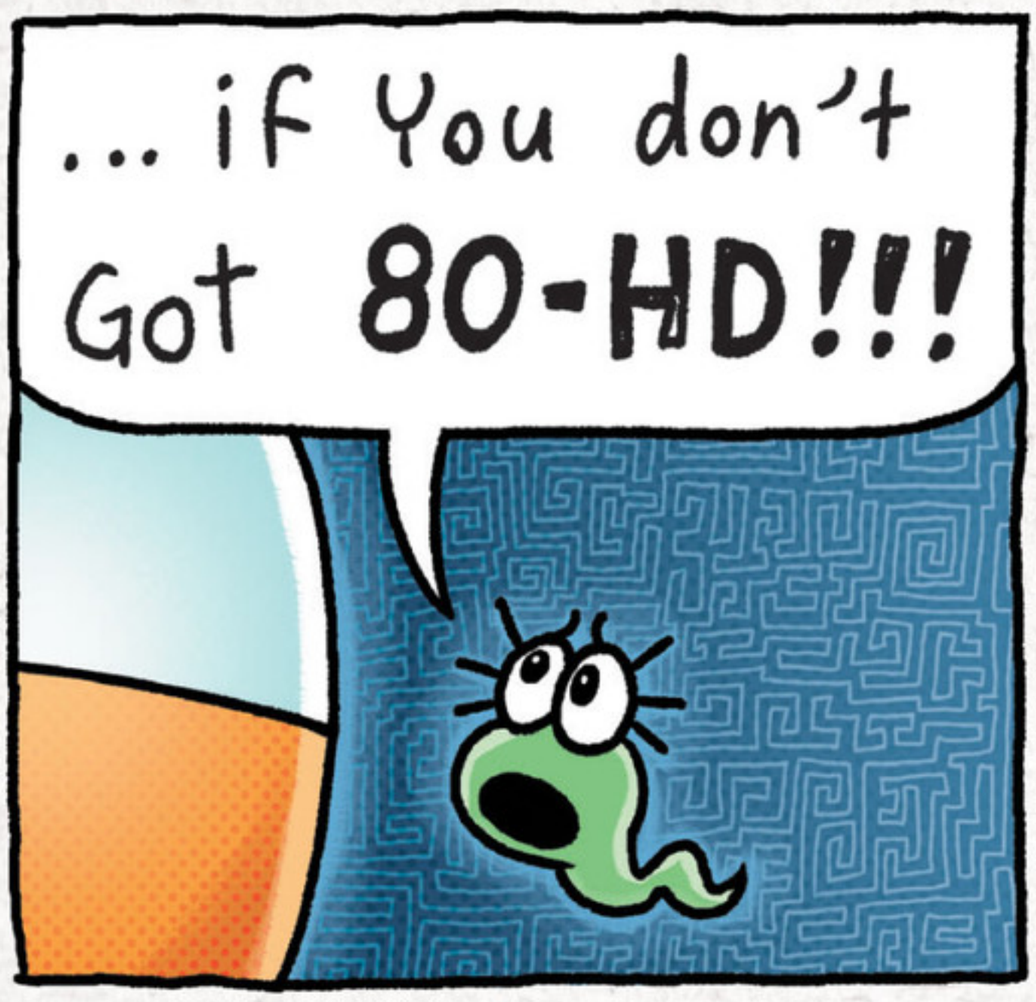
Oh, Yeah!

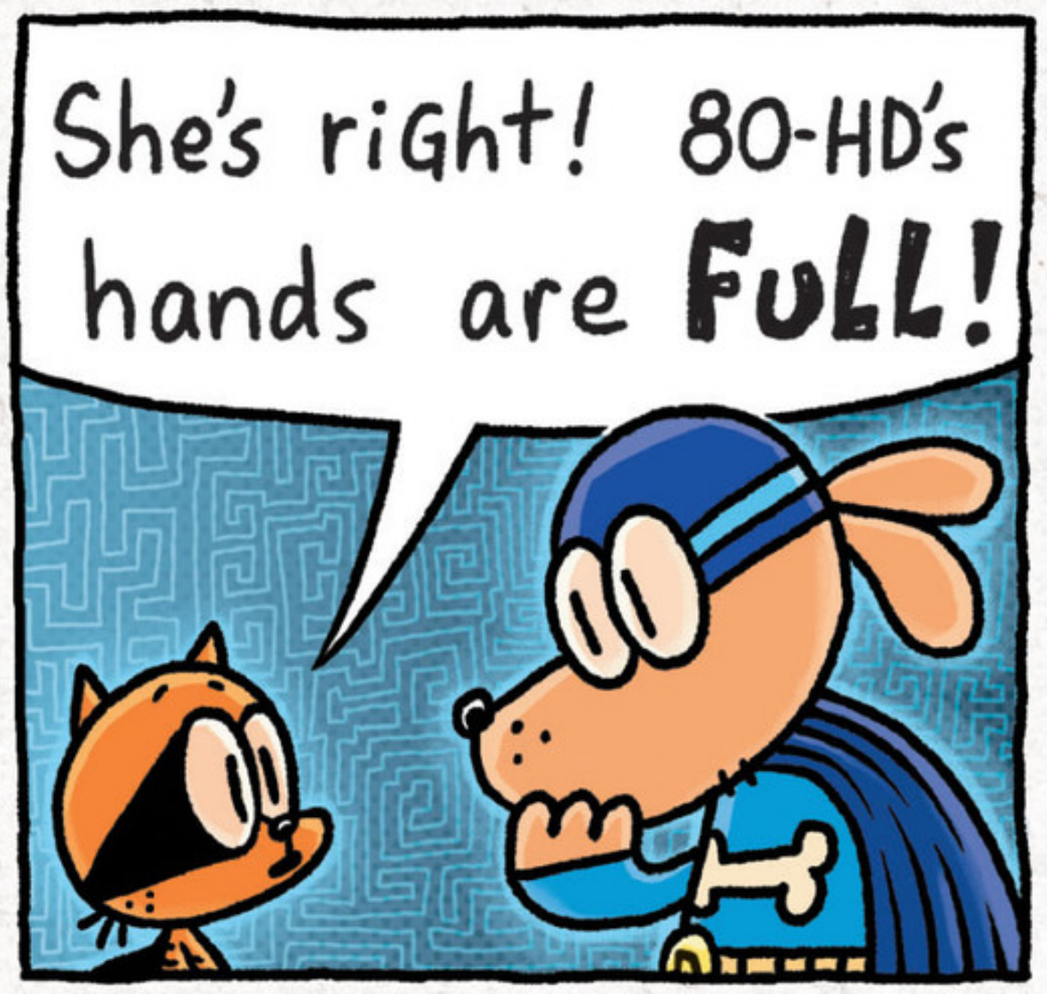
Hey, We Need HeLP!!!

Would You HURRY UP?

We ARe HURRY UPPiNG!

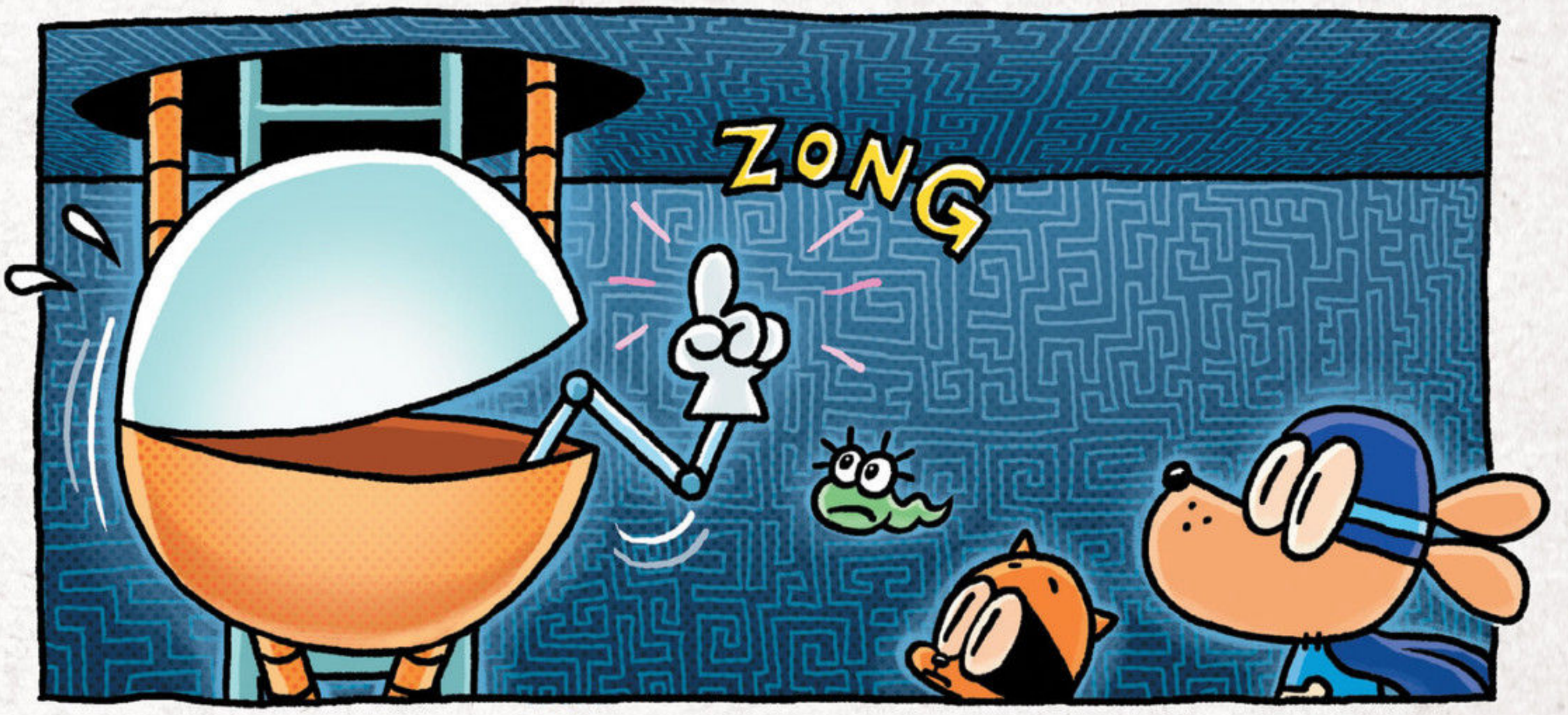

You Guys can't be the SUPA Buddies...
COSTUMES


... if You don't Got 80-HD!!!


She's riGht! 80-HD's hands are FULL!

MaYbe I can take his place.

But You don't have a costume!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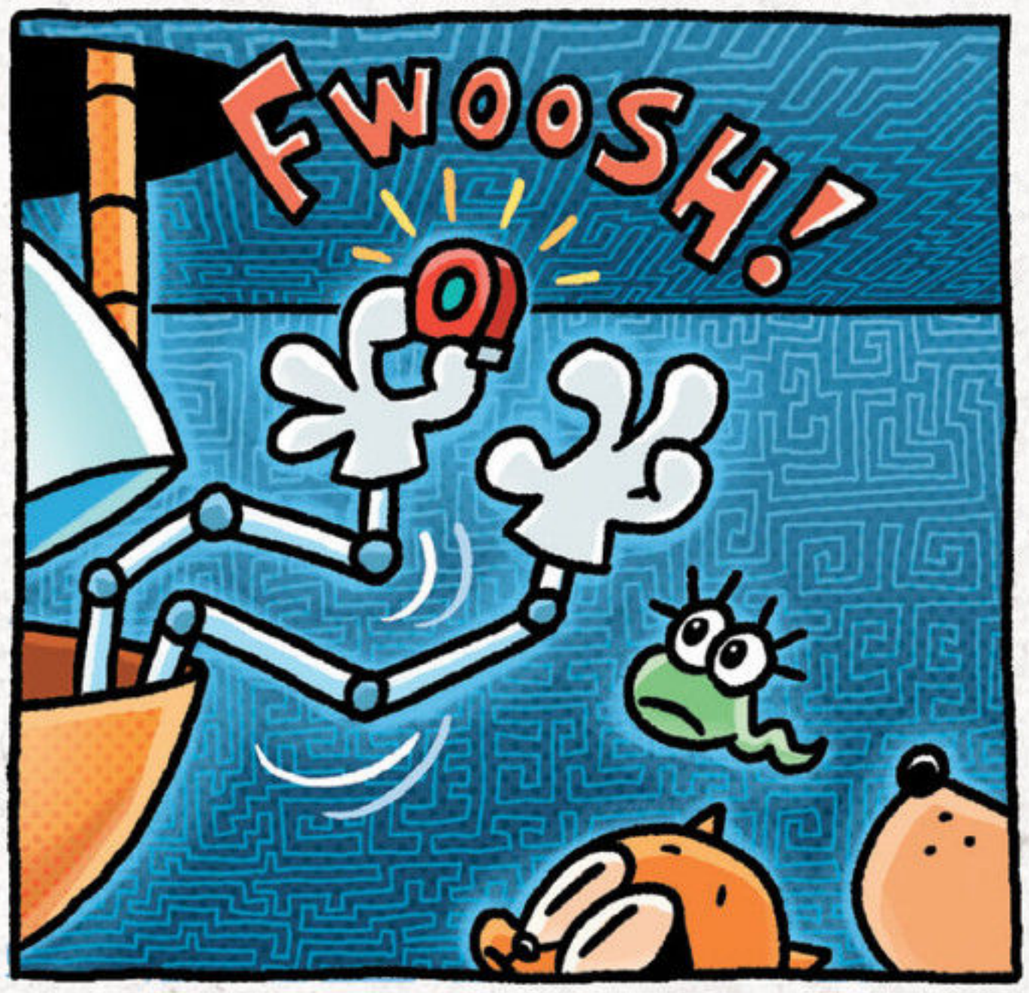
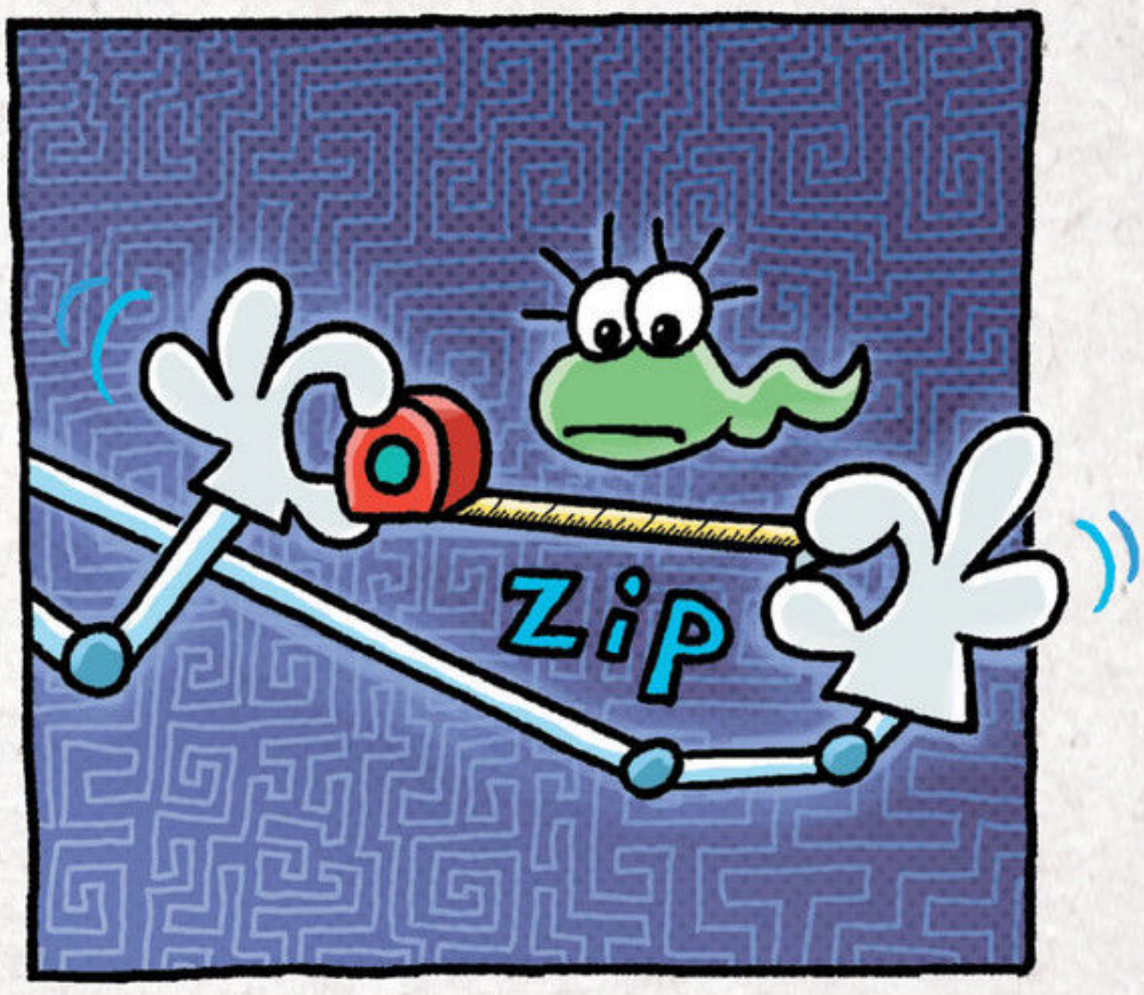

FWOOSH!
ZIP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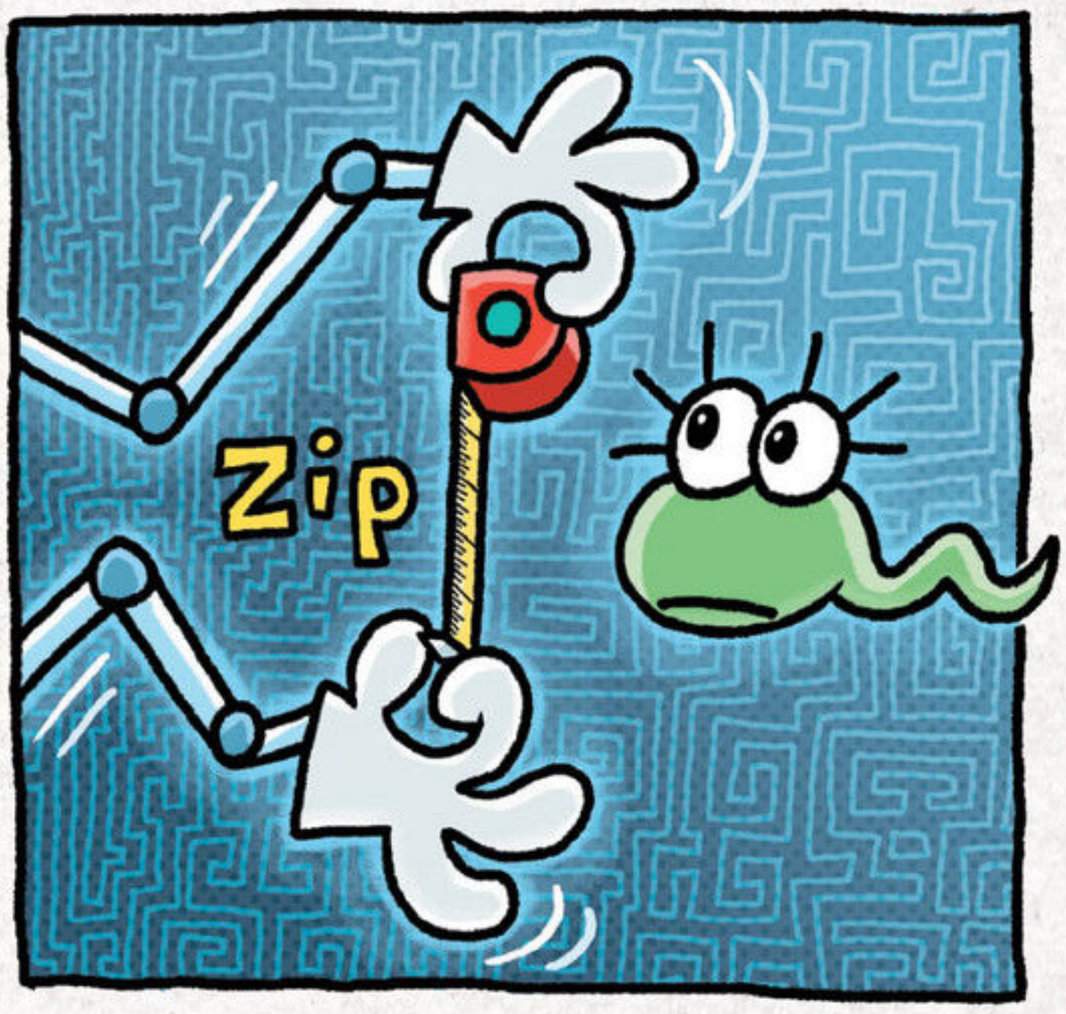

ZIP

KA-SHONK

ZONG ZONG
ZING ZING
snip snip
snip
FLOOOSH
ZUZZA ZUZZA
WHAT'S TAKING SO LONG???

We're doing Something IMPORTANT! Gee Whiz!!!

And so...

I look Awesome!

Thanks, 80-HD!

Now we Just need to think up my SuperHero NAME!

AW, COME ON!!!

SERIOUSLY?

OKAY, OKAY!!! Jeez LOUISE!

We can work on my Superhero name after we...

...HEY! Where did everybody GO?

You're too late, Kid!

GRRR!

Be nice, Zuzu!!!

I think everybody Got **SWALLOWED!**

HEY!!!

YOU LET GO OF OUR FRIENDS!

HAW HAW HAW HAW HAW
CHOMP
Let's Get him!
FLIP-E-RAMA
BASH THAT BUG!

READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA

Mitey Fighty

FLIP-E-RAMA

Mitey Fighty

BOING!

ZIP

GRAB

RAR

GLUB

SLURP

CHAPTER 14

And Then There Were Two

I'm Scared, Bub!!!

Me too!

I thought FEAR was supposed to make everybody HAPPY!

It's Not Working!!!

But then...

Hey!

Wait a minute.

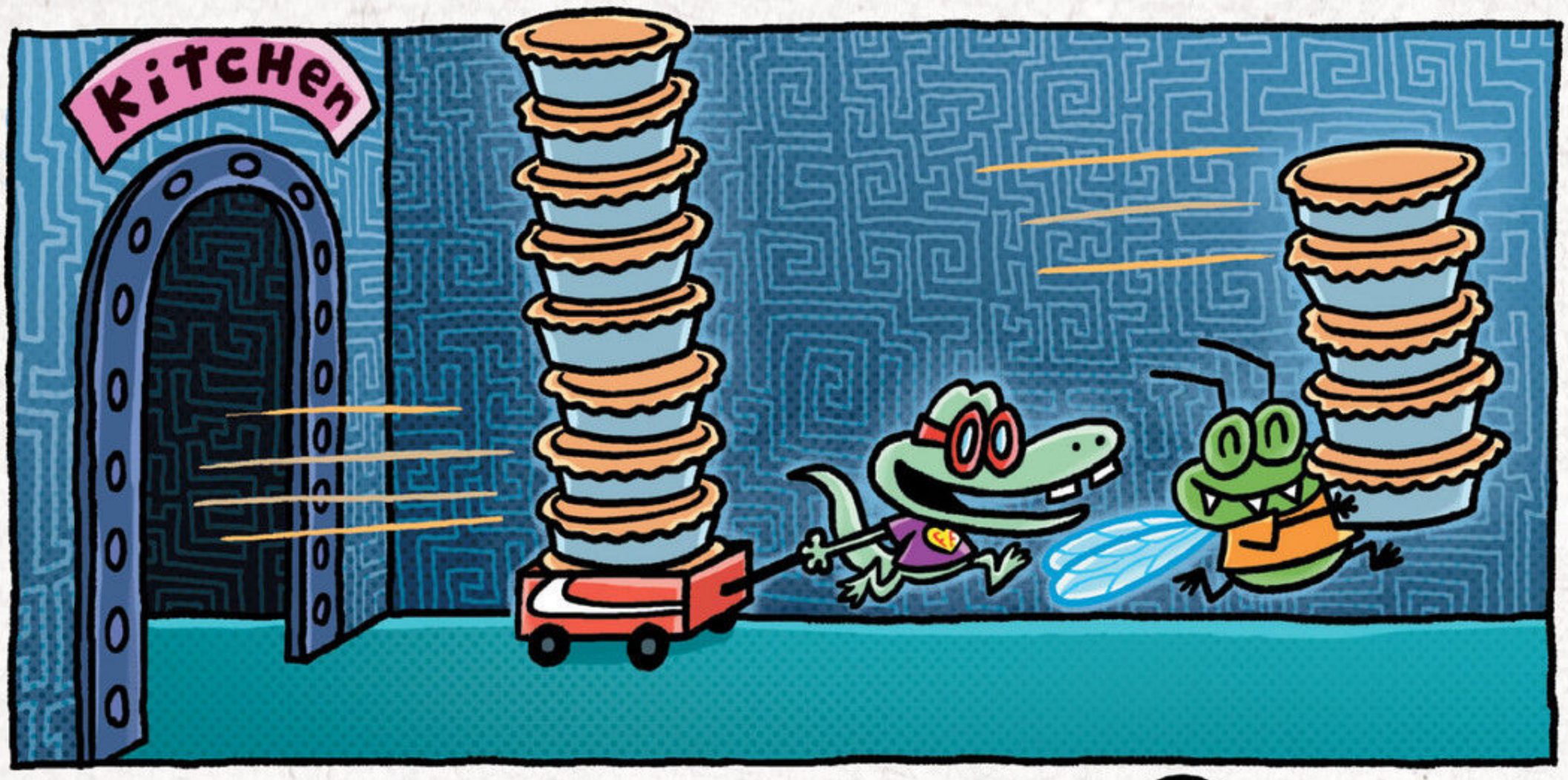
It's not **Just** Fear...

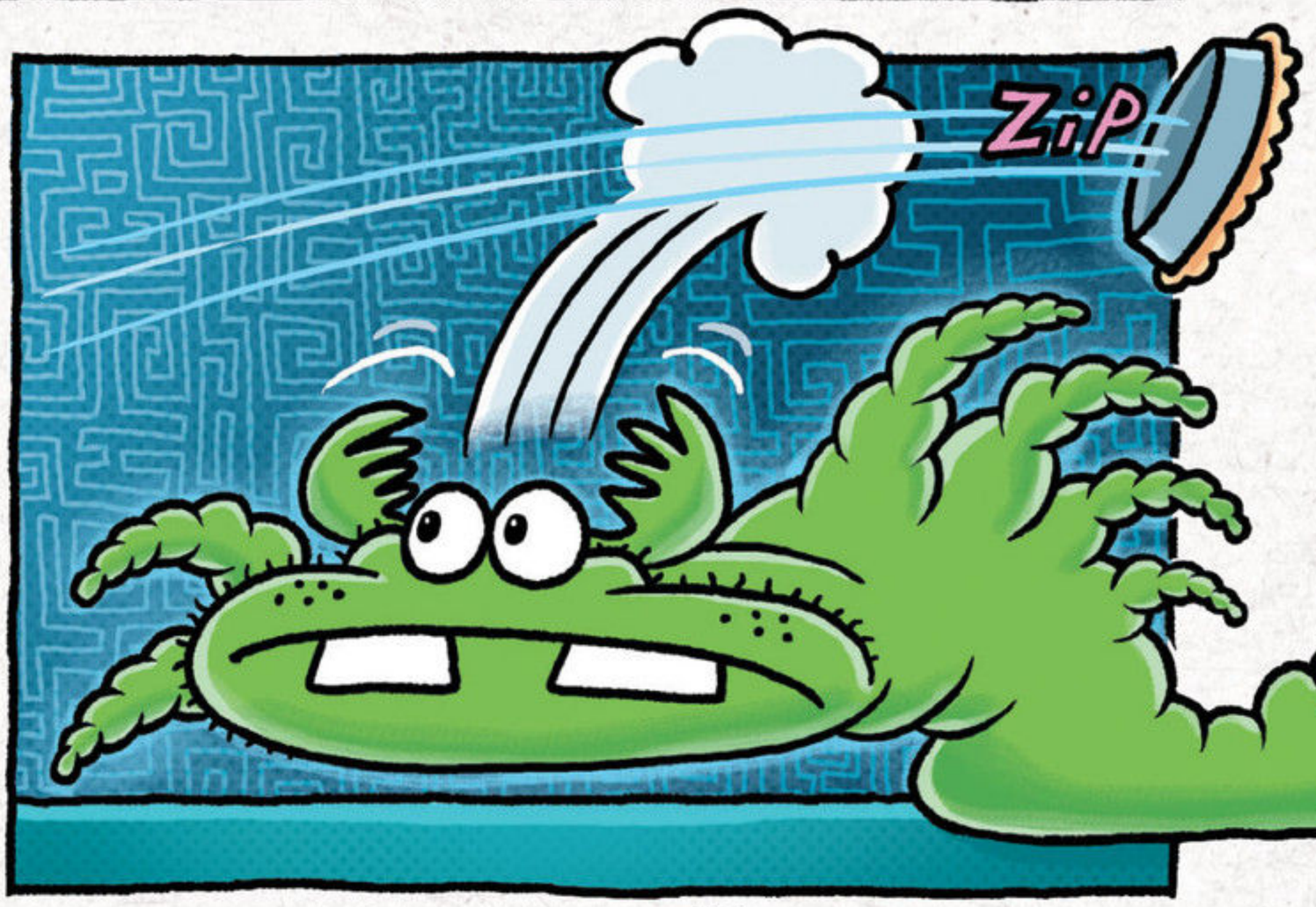
...it's **ANGER**, too!

Oh, Yeah!!!

But how do we—

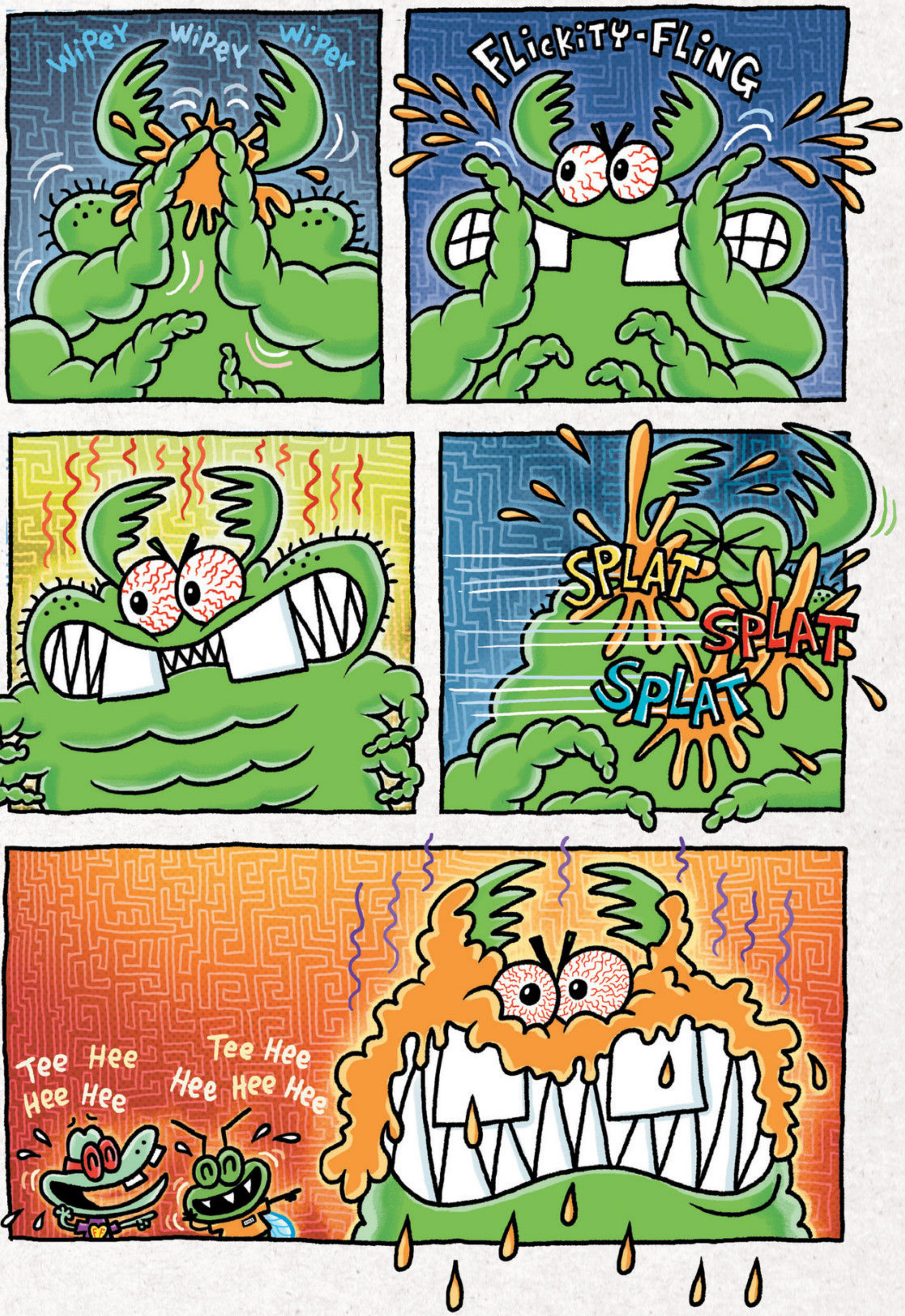
Pies!!!


KITCHEN


ZIP!

HAW HAW HAW

SPLAT


Wipey Wipey Wipey
Flickity-Fling
SPLAT
SPLAT
SPLAT
Tee Hee
Hee Hee
Tee Hee
Hee Hee Hee

But then...

Taste
Taste
Taste

NOM?

SSSLLLUURRRRRRRRP!

NOM NOM!

Oh, So You **Like** these Pies, huh?

They're Pretty **GOOD**, aren't they?

WELL, PARK YOUR Ponies, Junior!

THERE WILL be **NO MORE** Pies FOR YOU...

...Unless...

...You Give us back OUR Friends!!!

RAAAR!

Don't You TALK BACK to Me!

WHO Do You THiNK You ARe?

THIS is MY HOUSE!!!

AND I WANT MY FRIENDS BACK!!!

GLAAAL

SPLORP!

Come Get Your Pies, Junior!!!

Kick

ZOOM

NOM NOM

NOM NOM!

SPLASH

Let's Get OUT of Here!!!

OKAY! START The EnGines...

Aye, Aye, CAPTAin!

Start

CLICK

...Reel in those ARMS, 80-HD...

ZIZZZLE

FOOOSH FOOOSH

...And Get READY to GROW!!!

KA-KLUNK

SIZE -O- TRON

SUPA DOOPA BIG
SUPA BIG
BIG
NORMAL
SMALL
SUPA SMALL
SUPA DOOPA SMALL

Hey, Uncle Larry?

Yes?

Can we Grow **SUPA DOOPA BiG?**

Gosh! We've never Tried **THAT** before!

Let's do it!!!

KA-KLUNK

Size-o-TRON

SUPA DOOPA BiG
SUPA BiG
BiG
NORMAL
SMALL
SUPA SMALL

SUB WILL GROW IN FIVE SECONDS...

... FOUR...

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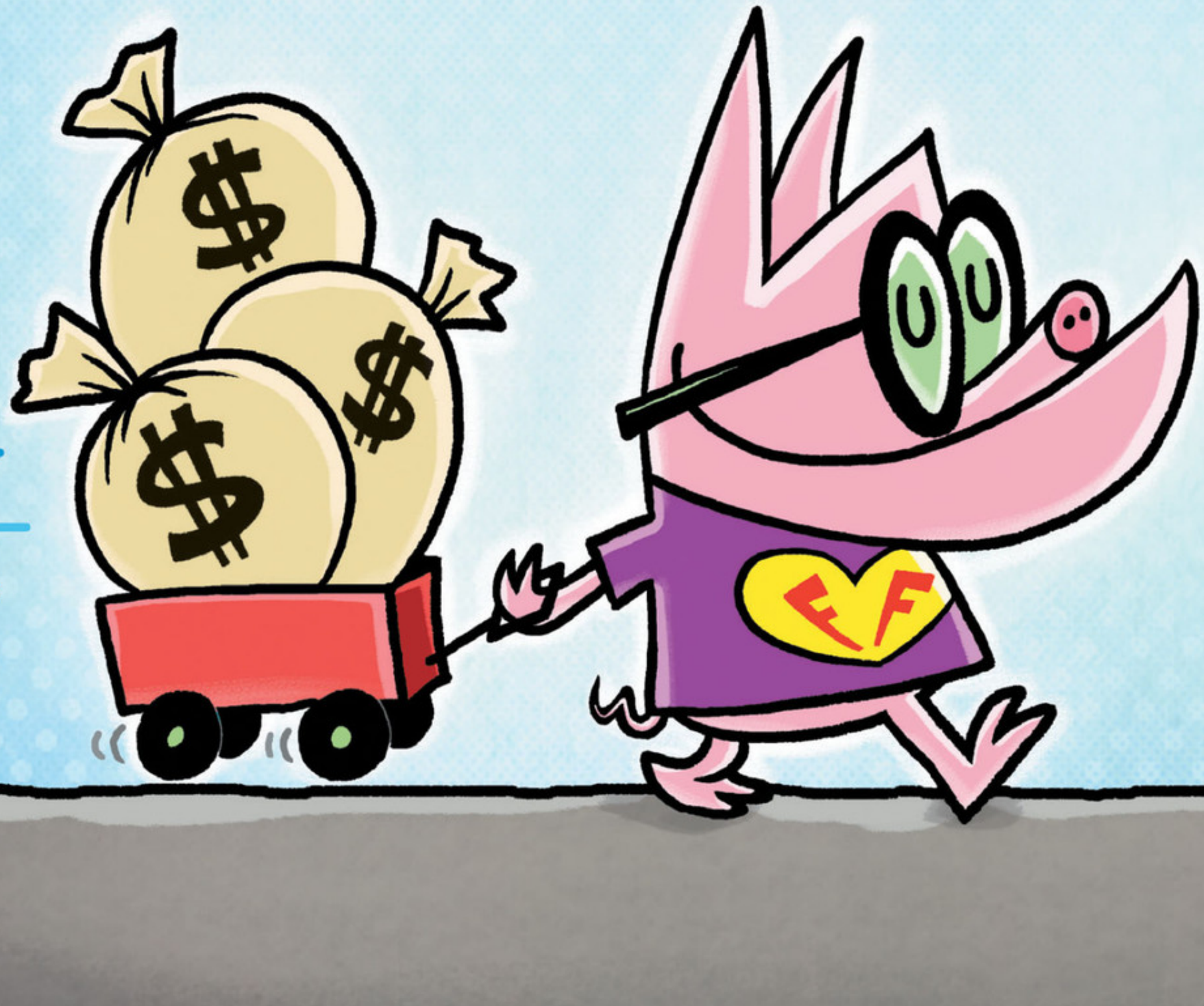
CHAPTER 15

EXACTLY ONE HUNDRED AND NINE SECONDS EARLIER



Well, **That** was easy!!!

I robbed **Five** banks today...

...and nobody even **NOTiced!**

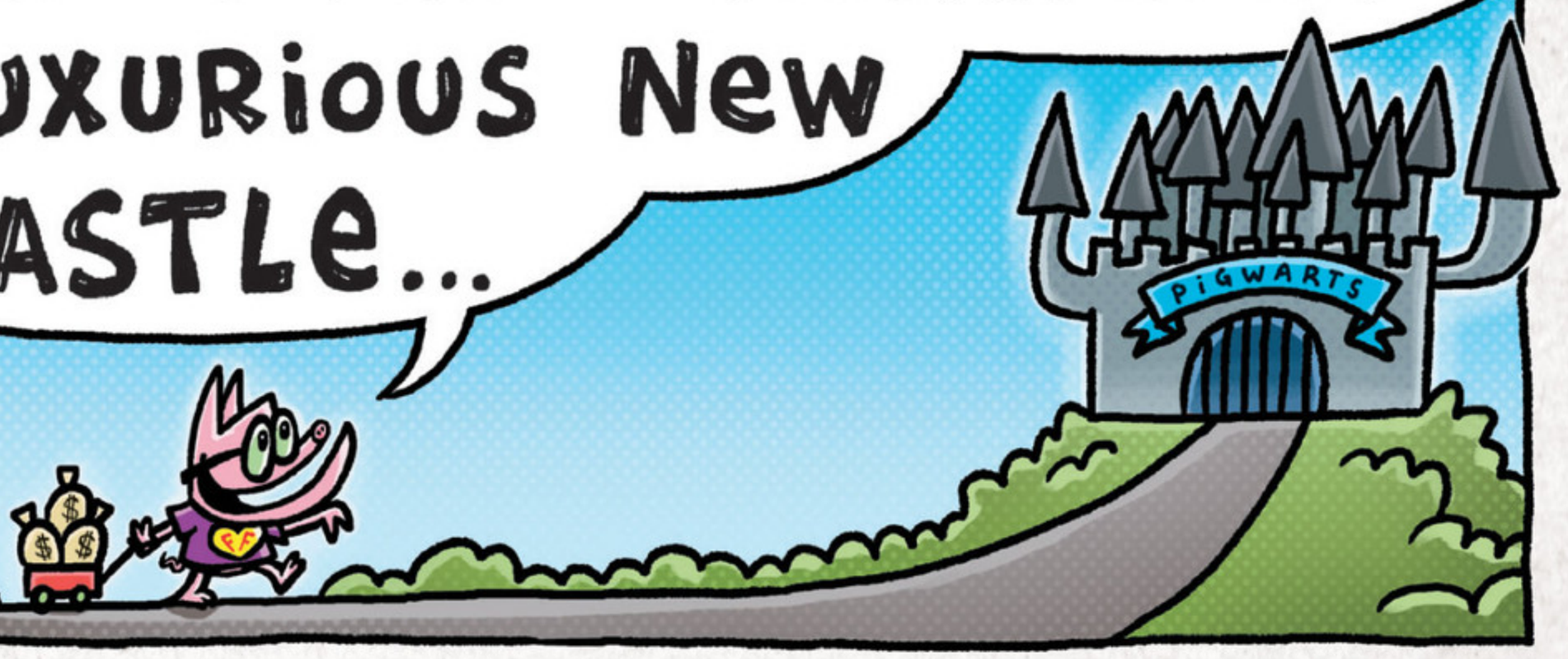
They're All too busy being **SCARED and ANGRY!!!**

Beach

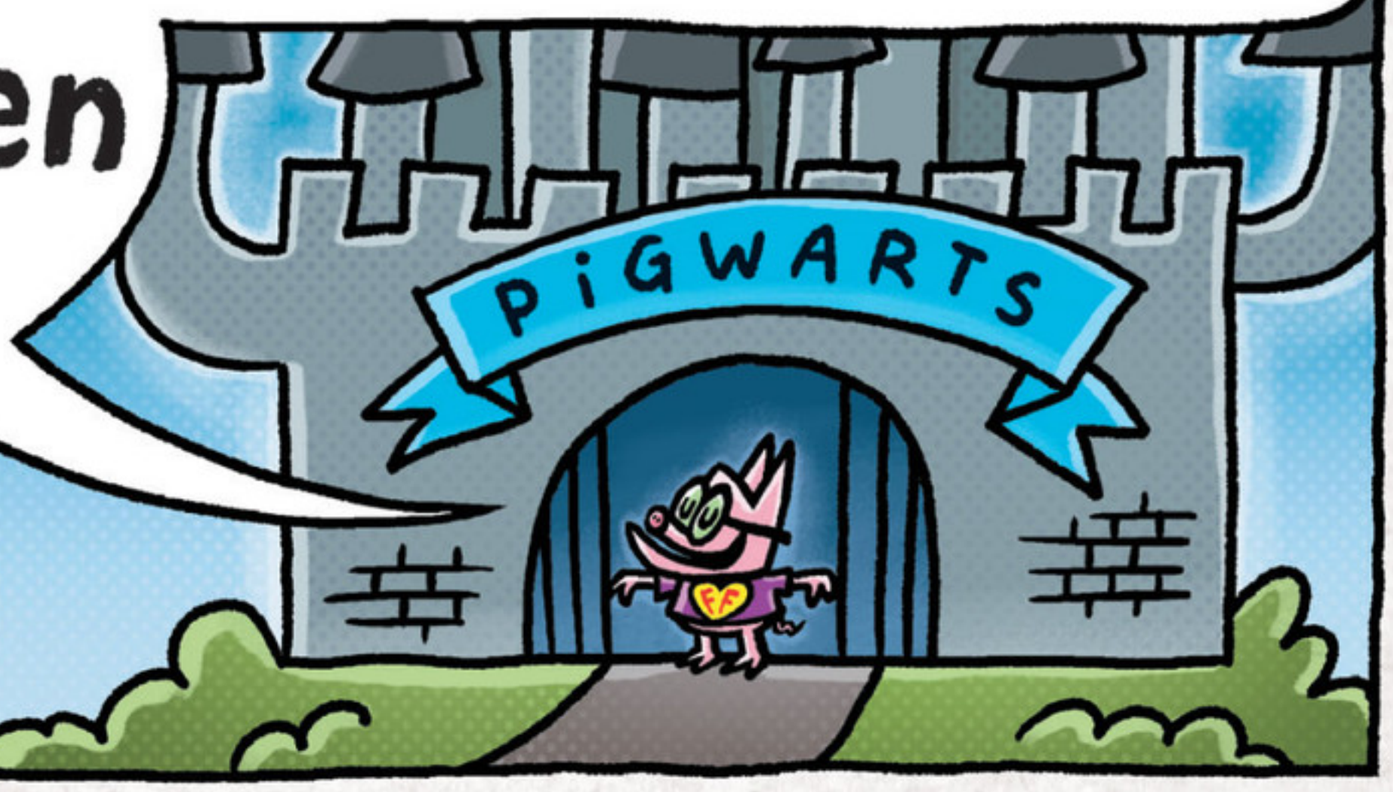
Nobody is Paying Attention to the **REAL Problem...**

...which is **ME!!!**

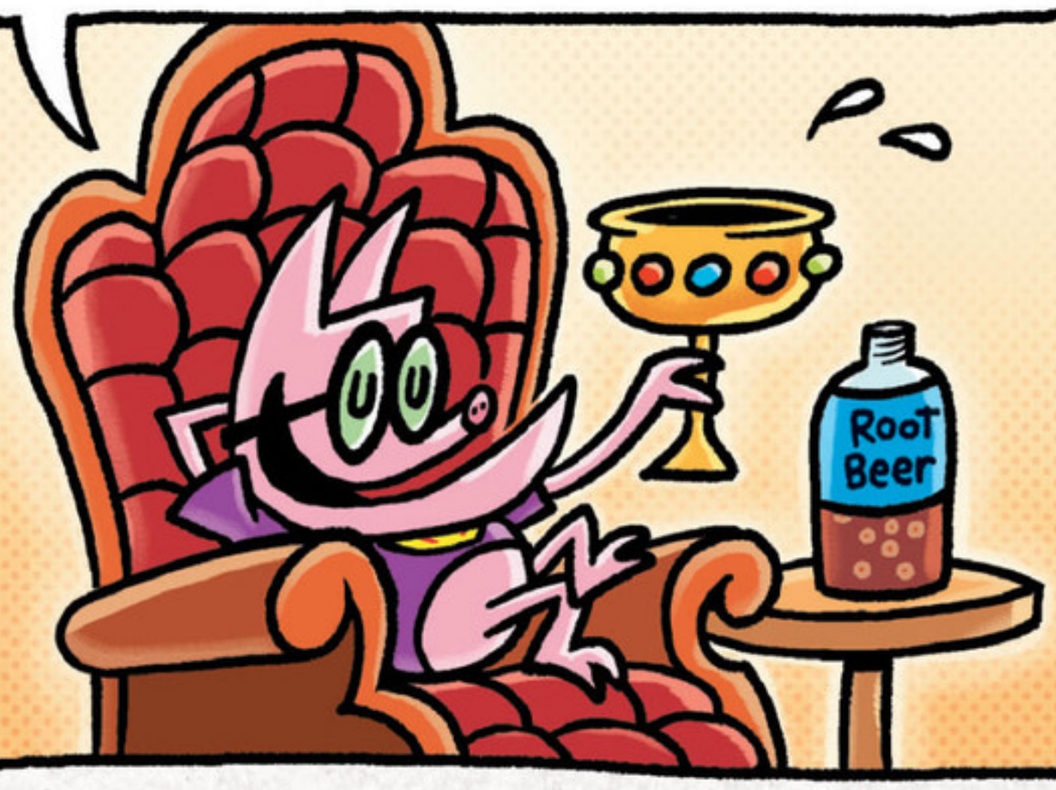
Now it's time to **RELAX** in my **LUXURIOUS NEW CASTLE...**



...which I Just Purchased with my **ILL-Gotten GAins!!!**



Aah-This is the **Life!**



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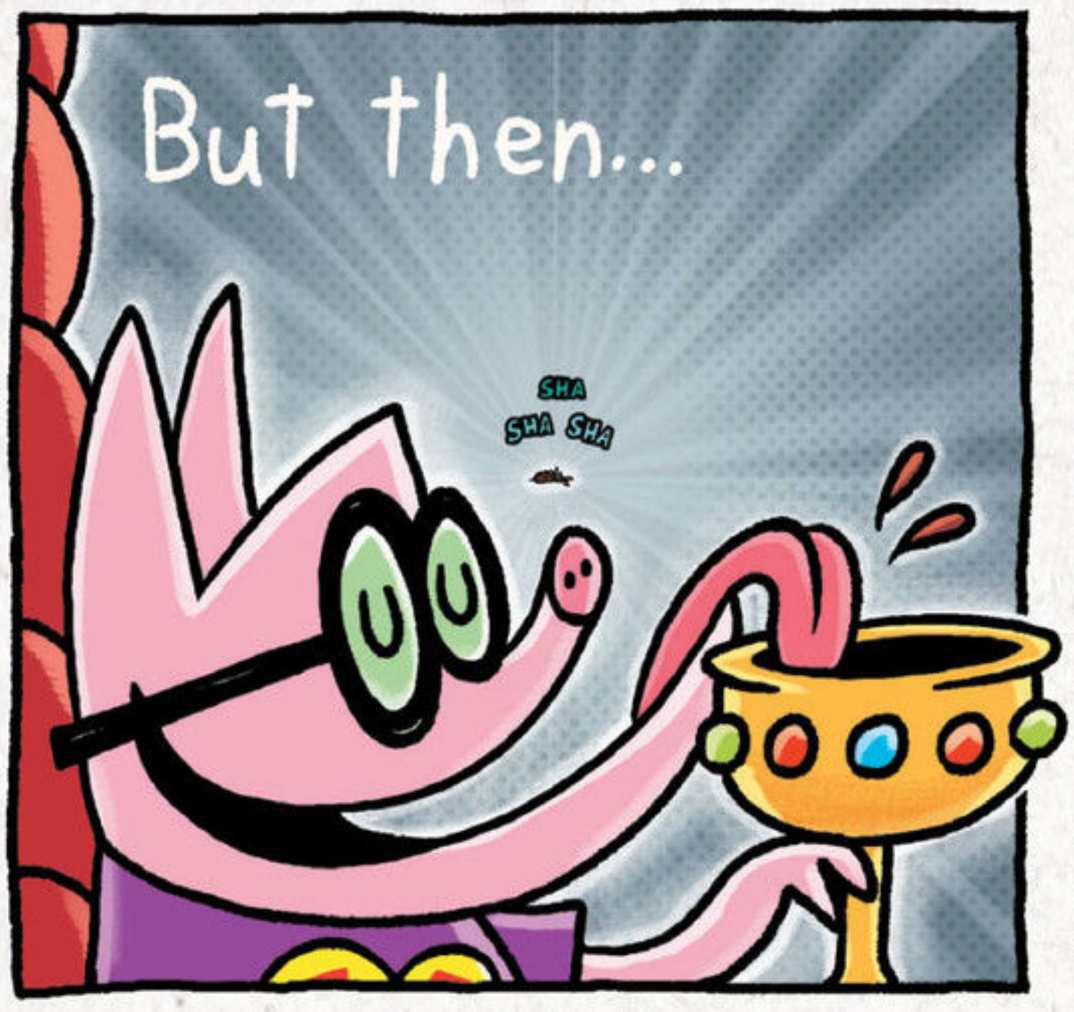
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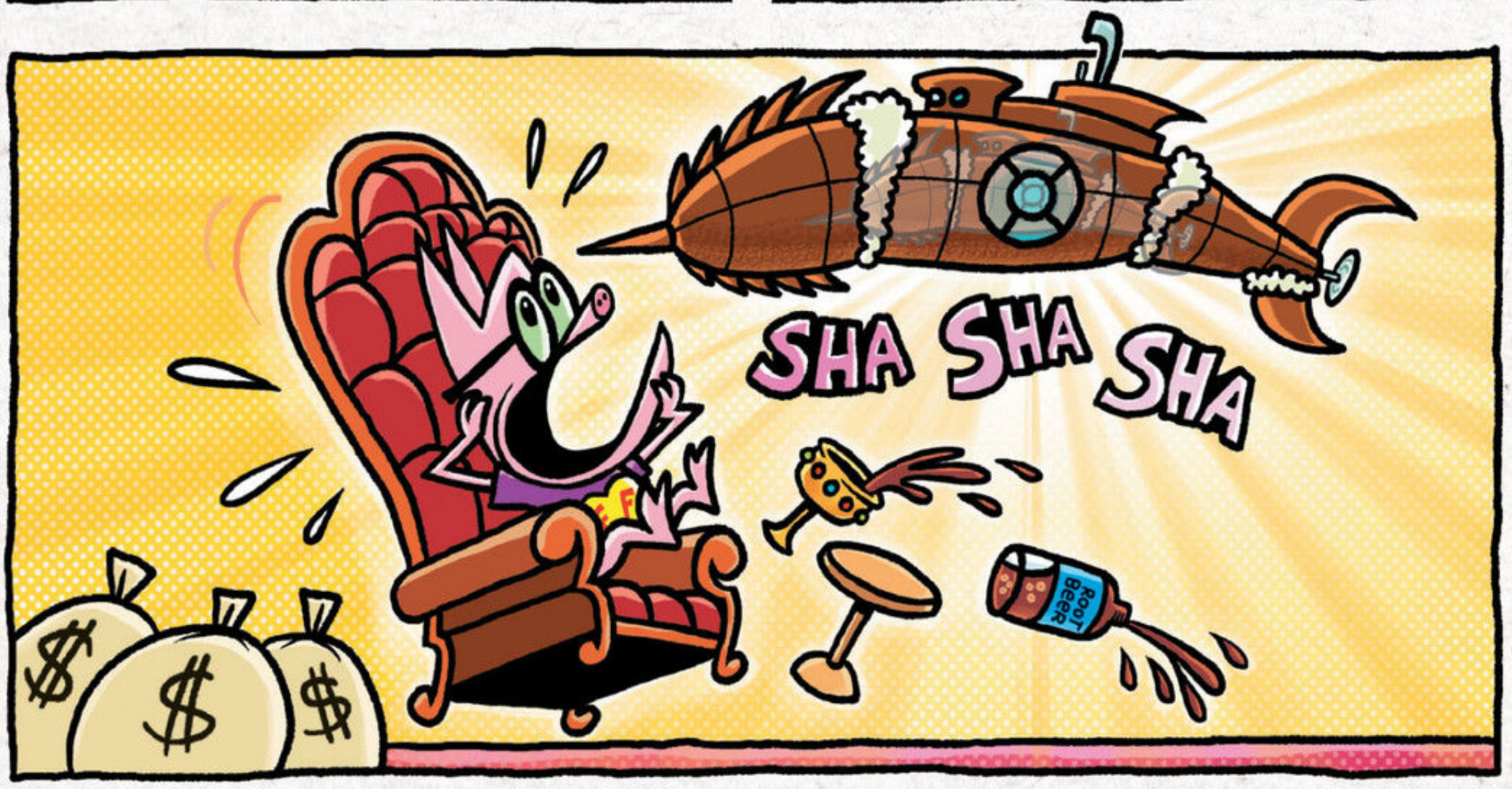

SHA SHA SHA
Root Beer

SHA SHA SHA

CRASH CRASH

SHA SHA SHA

SHA SHA SHA

PiG WARTS

SMASHUMS

MY...
MY...

...MY ILL-GOTTEN GAINS!!!

WAAAAAA

WAAAAAA

WAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

WAAAAAAAAA

PIG

WARTS

WAAAAAAAAAAP

CLOP!

Wow!!! Look how LittLe PiGGY is !!!

Aww- He's **SO CUTE!!!**

Can we keep him?

If You Promise to make him HAPPY!

Oh, we know how to do THAT!!!

HEY! No SinGinG!!!
And a ONE, and a TWO, and a...

Friendly Friends, Friendly Friends...

...FLYinG 'Cross the PAGE...

PiGGY is our Little Pet...

Shoehorns

BACK Scratchers

Piano Benches

FONDUE POTS

HAMSTER CAGES

Umbrella Stands

...and he loves his Little CA-AGE...

Friendly Friends,
Friendly Friends...

Guinea Pig FOOD

...watch him
eat his meal...

...OH, what fun...

...to see him run...

...on a Friendly hamster wheel!!!

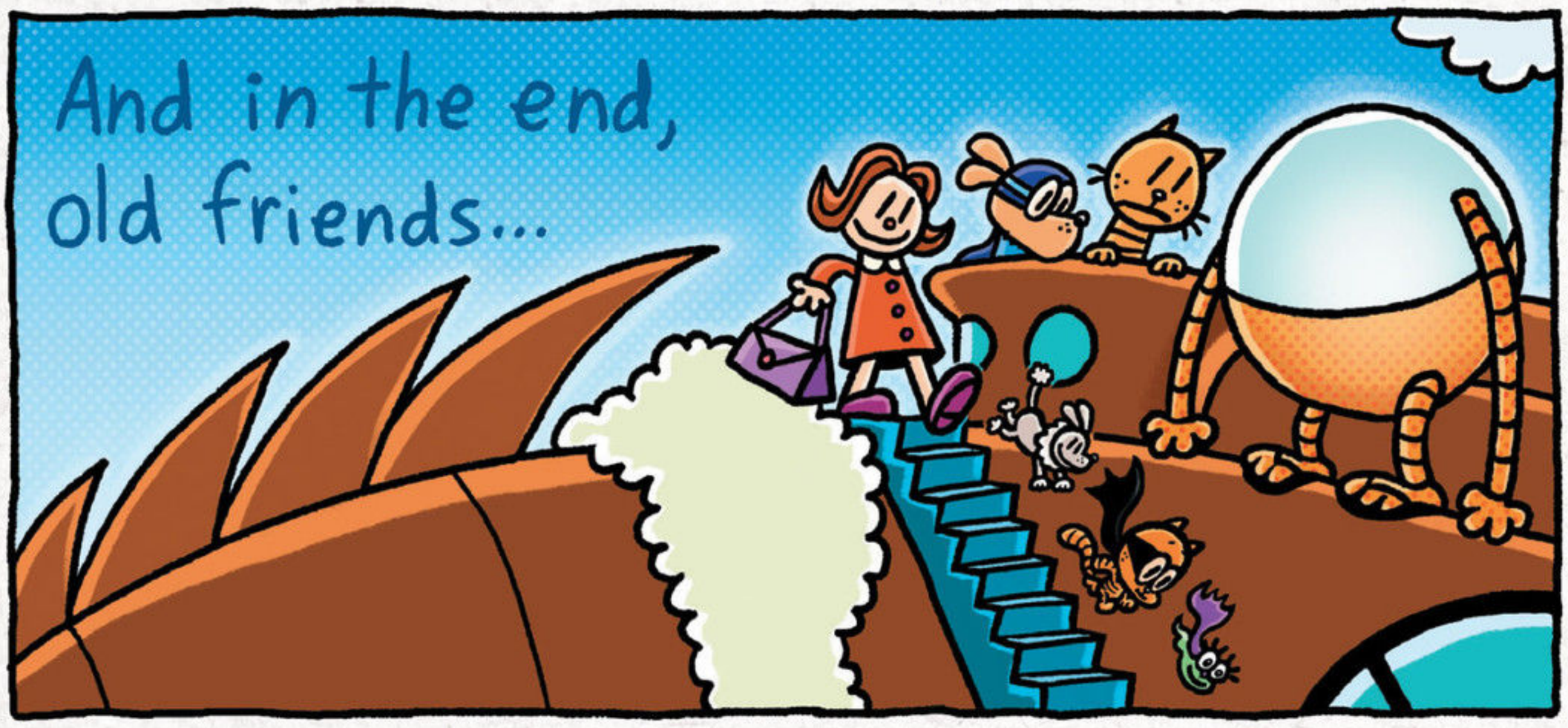
WAAAAAAAAAA

Chapter 16

In Search of The Depth

KA-KLUNK
SIZE-O-TRON
SUPA DOOPA BIG
SUPA BIG
BIG
NORMAL
SMALL
SUPA SMALL

SHA SHA SHA


And in the end,
old friends...

...new friends...

...and friends we sort of forGot about ten chapters ago...

chief

COSTUMES

...all worked together...

chief

FLiP FLop FLiP FL

NAILS

PAint

...to help Petey rebuild his Lab.

Soon, it was time to stop for the day.

chief

Let's all Go to DoG Man's house!

We can eat supper together!

HOORAY!!!

And So...

Thanks for all of Your **Kindness**, everyone.

I told You we'd find somebody to help You, Wally!

But...

... but why Me?

That's why we're here, Papa...

...to help each other.

It's like the sea, Petey...
You can just dip your toes in...
...or You can FATHOM the Soundless Depths.

That's what I Was talkinG about...

...back in Chapter 5 !!!

You can do the BARE Minimum...

...and SLiDe through life...

...or You can Give MORE...

...Give what YOU didn't Get...

...Love MORE...

...And DROP the OLD STORY!!!

THAT was my WHOLE POINT!!!

Yeah, We Know...

...but it ALWAYS sounds better when SHE says it!!!

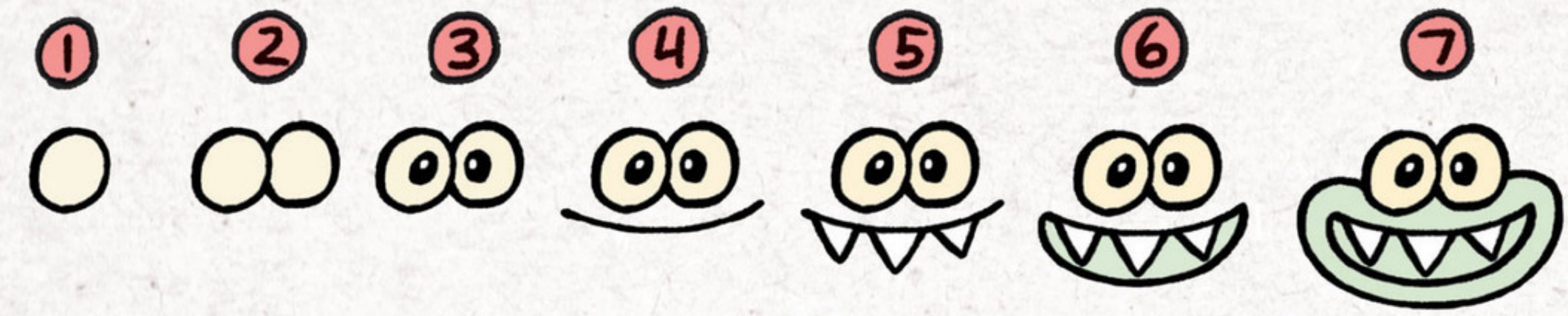
FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP

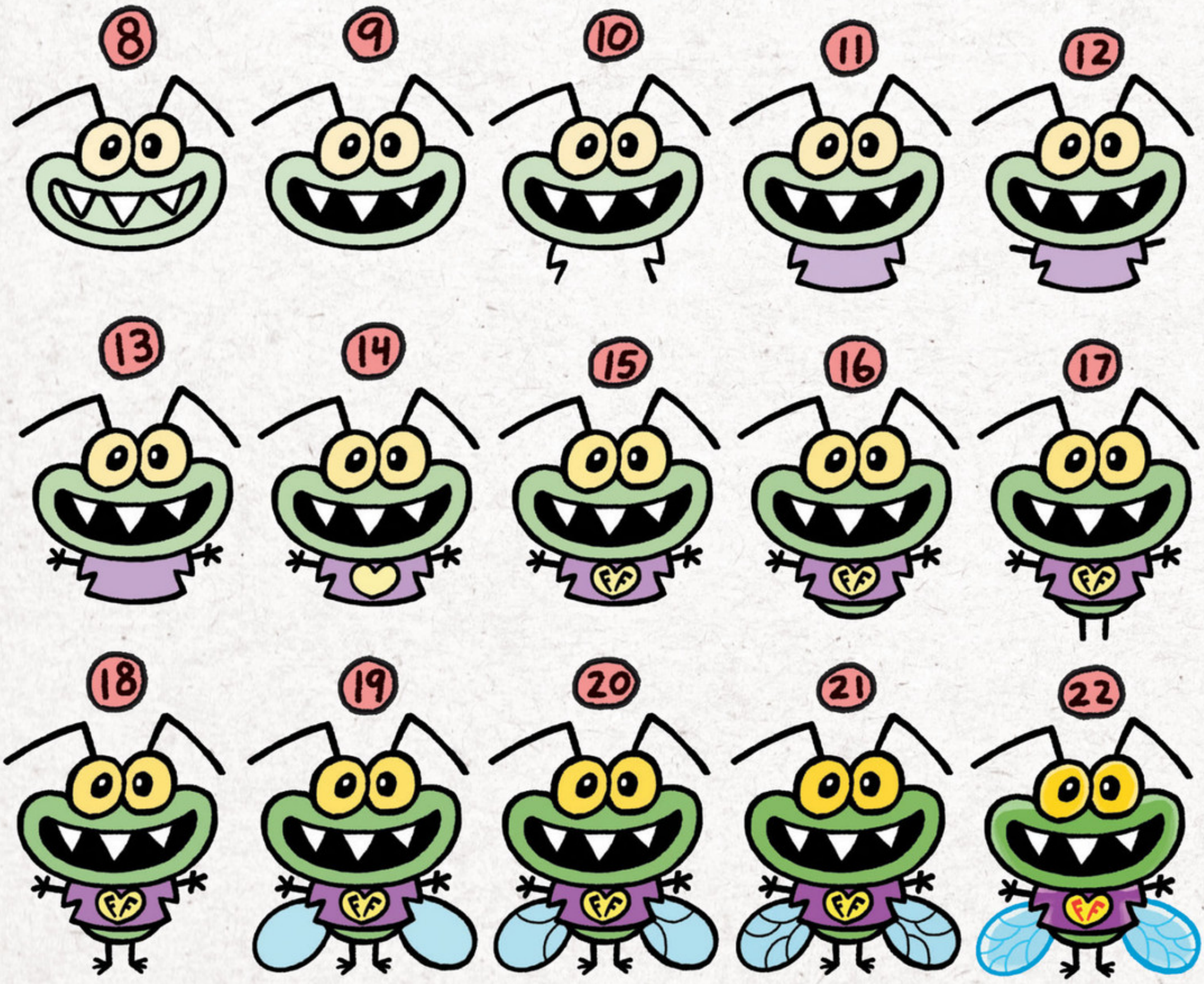
The End

HOW 2 DRAW Mike the Fly

With his New Friendly Friends T-Shirt

in 22 Ridiculously easy Steps!

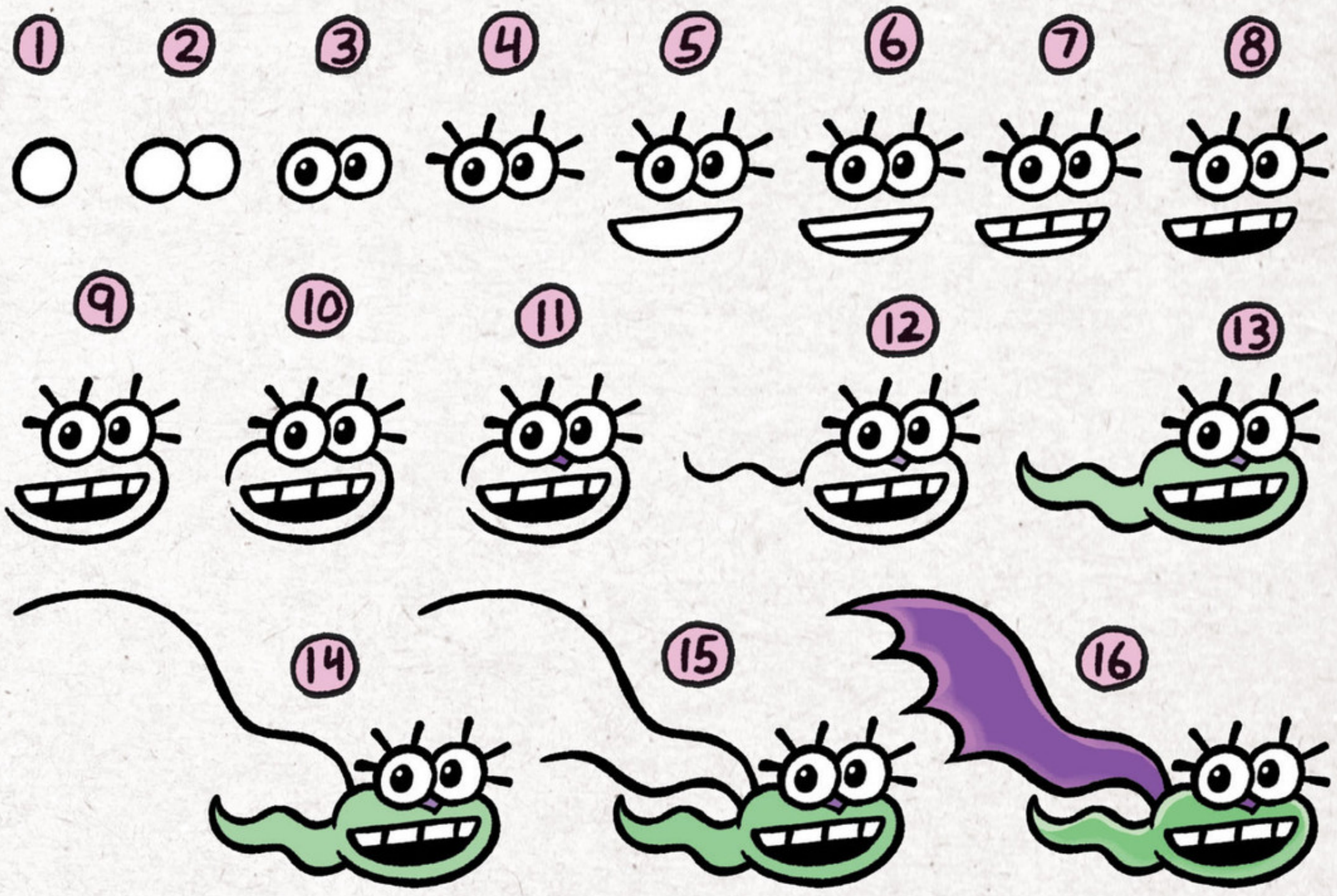




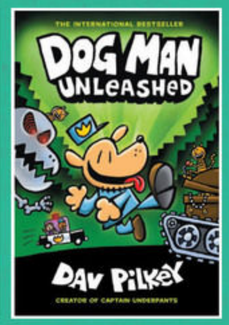
HOW 2 DRAW MOLLY

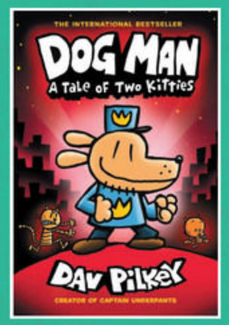
WHO STILL hasn't figured out her SUPERhero name Yet!!!

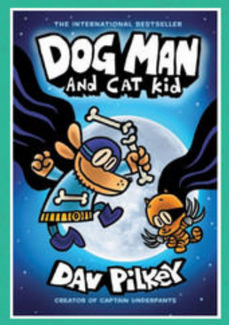
in 16 Ridiculously easy steps!

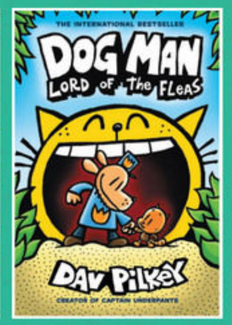


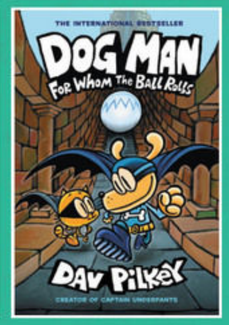
GET READING W ITH DAV PILKEY!

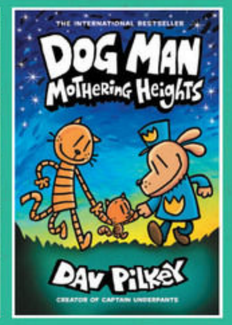


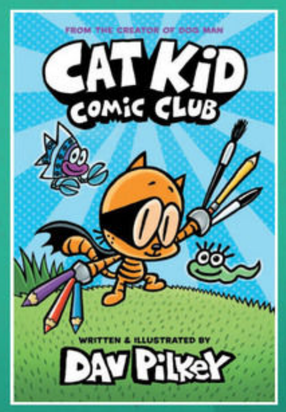












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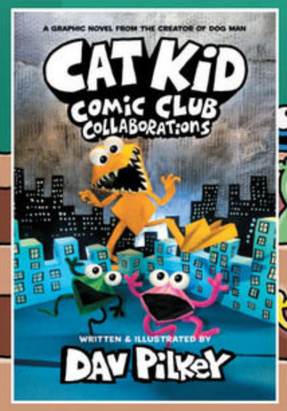

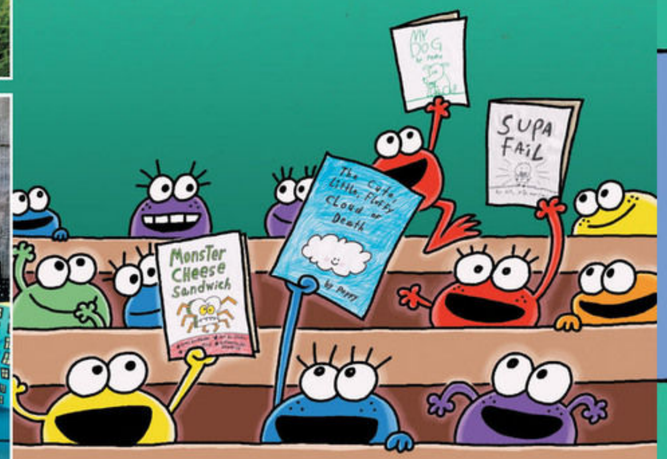

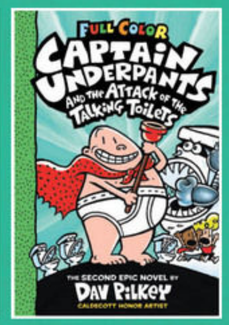

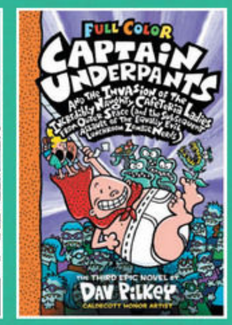

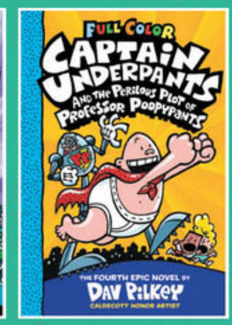

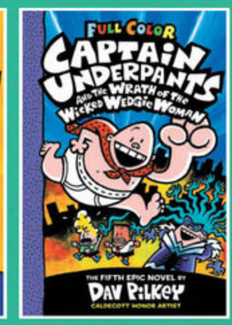

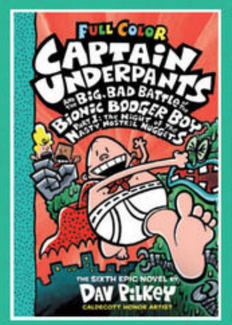

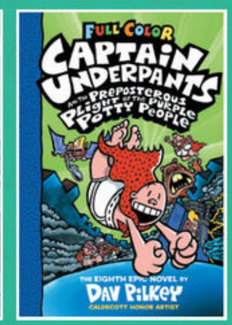

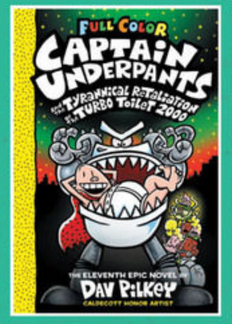

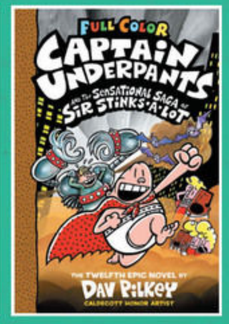

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NOTES & FUN FACTS

- The most common English-language translation of the title of Jules Verne's *Vingt Mille Lieues Sous Les Mers* is 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea. This is a mistranslation, however. It should be "Seas."

- The mistranslation implies a *depth* of 20,000 leagues, which is impossible because 20,000 Leagues is over *TWICE* the circumference of the Earth.

- Studies have shown that false or misleading news (chapters 7 and 8) often spreads faster than Legitimate news.
  BuzzFeedNews, November 16, 2016.

- Scientists have found that fear and anger (Chapter 9) are linked to dopamine, a neurotransmitter that causes people to feel pleasure.
  Psychology Today, August 25, 2015; Scientific American, July 14, 2008.

- Demodex mites (Chapter 13) are real, microscopic creatures. Here are some facts about them:
  * They live on the skin of mammals (including humans and pigs).
  * They have eight legs.
  * Their favorite food is pumpkin pie.
  * They typically come out at night.
  * They are probably on your face right now.

- One of the "facts" about Demodex mites mentioned above is not true. Can you guess which one?

- The design for Uncle Larry's flying submarine was loosely inspired by illustrations produced for a Japanese publication. They were created by an artist who signed each painting: "Kyo-62."

- Chapter 16's title is based on the quote, "Hast thou walked in the search of the depth?" from Job 38:16 (KJV). It appears in the final paragraph of some English-language versions of 20,000 Leagues Under the Seas.

- Other English-language versions substitute "Who can fathom the soundless depths?" (based on Ecclesiastes 7:24), which Sarah refers to on page 230.

- "Give More. Give what you didn't get. Love more. Drop the old story." is a quote from the journals of Garry Shandling.

- Molly and Li'l Petey continued working on their comic *WALLY'S WORLD* and finally finished it. You can read the ENTIRE comic for free at Dav Pilkey's Epic Comic Club (PlanetPilkey.com) starting on June 1, 2023.