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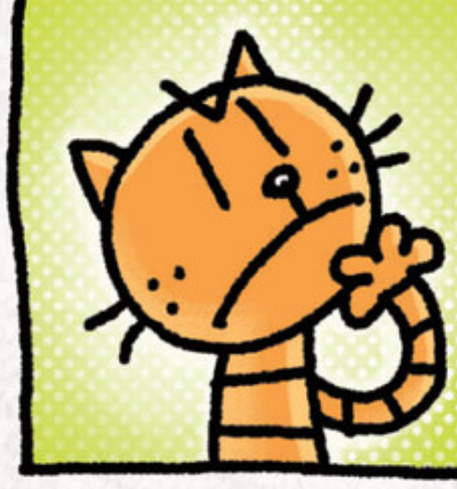
Meet the Cast

DOG MAN: His heart is always in the right place. If only his brain was, too.

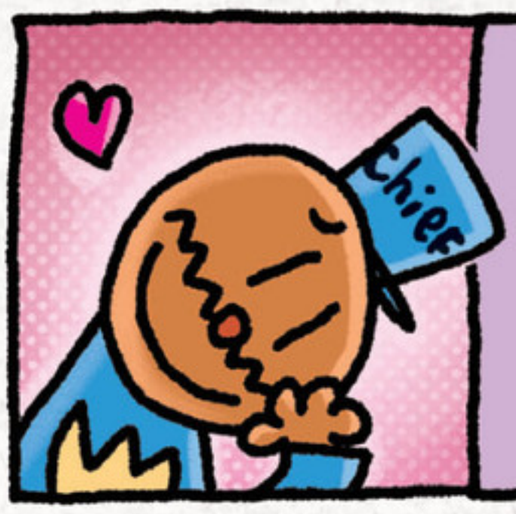


PETEY: A former villain whose evil heart became pure. If only his brain could change, too. Who knew he had so much in common with Dog Man?

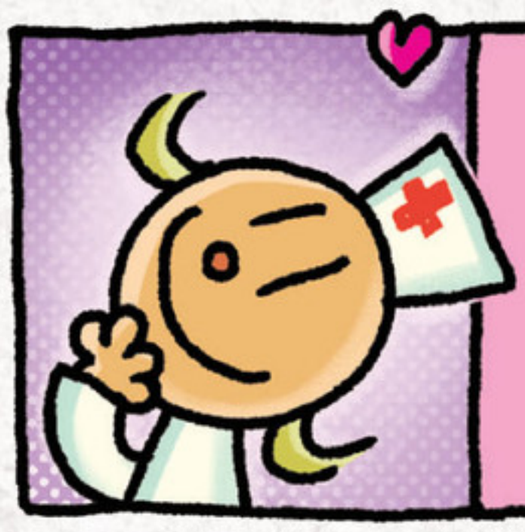
LI'L PETEY: Petey's son, and the reason Petey's heart changed from evil to pure. Li'l Petey is an optimist, and always looks for the good in every situation.

MOLLY: This psychokinetic baby frog has the ability to move things with her brain. But her greatest superpower may be her ability to irritate grown-ups.

80-HD: A sentient robot who has no facial features, and cannot speak or write. He is, nevertheless, very good at communicating because he always uses his creativity and imagination.

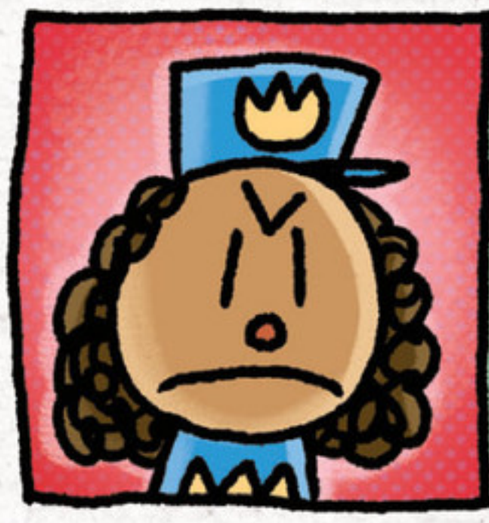


CHIEF: He's Dog Man's BFF and Nurse Lady's main squeeze. What started as an innocent crush has developed into a SUPA MUSHY romance. Put a ring on it, Chief!!!



NURSE LADY (a.k.a. Genie S. Lady, RN, BSN): Besides being a quick-thinking hero who saved Dog Man's life, she's also Chief's boo. Can you hear the wedding bells?

MYSTERIOUS NEW VILLAIN: This never-before-seen bad guy may have a fresh, unfamiliar face, but his heart harbors a horror that could heighten him to a household name.



MAUDE: She's a mean cop who HATES Dog Man. For some strange reason, she gets mad every time he poops in her filing cabinet. Thank Goodness <u>she's</u> not in charge!!!

Hey, wait. We did this guy already.

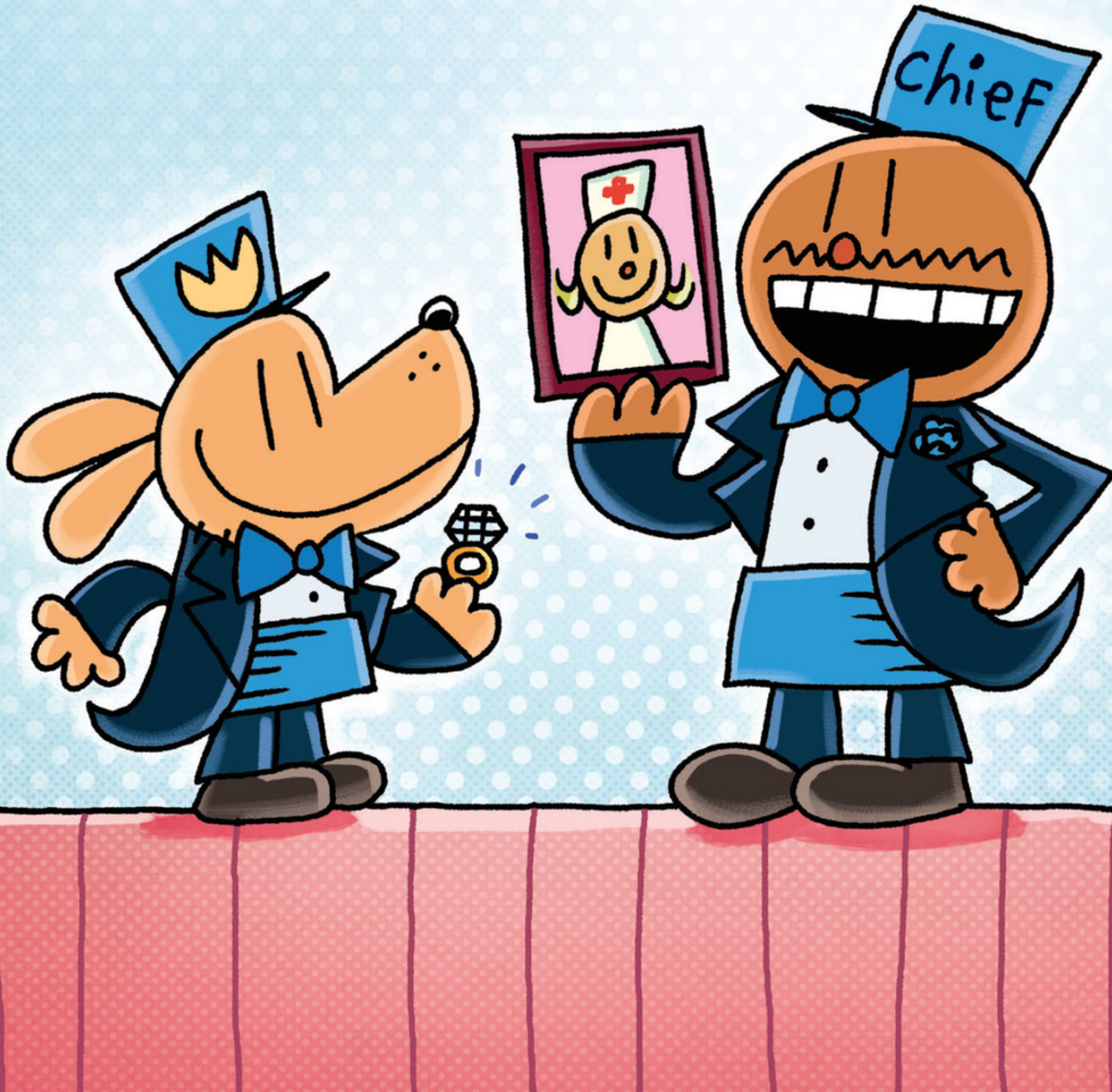
... or *did we?*

OH, NO!!! *This CAN'T be a good sign...*

To the Kibuishi family:
Kazu, Amy, Juni, and Sophie

CHAPTER 1

The Best DOG MAN



Gee whiz, DoG Man...

ALL NeW CiTY HALL

...I can't believe that Nurse LadY and me...

chief

...are GettinG MARRieD today!

chief

Now, remember...

chief

...You're my Best MAN...

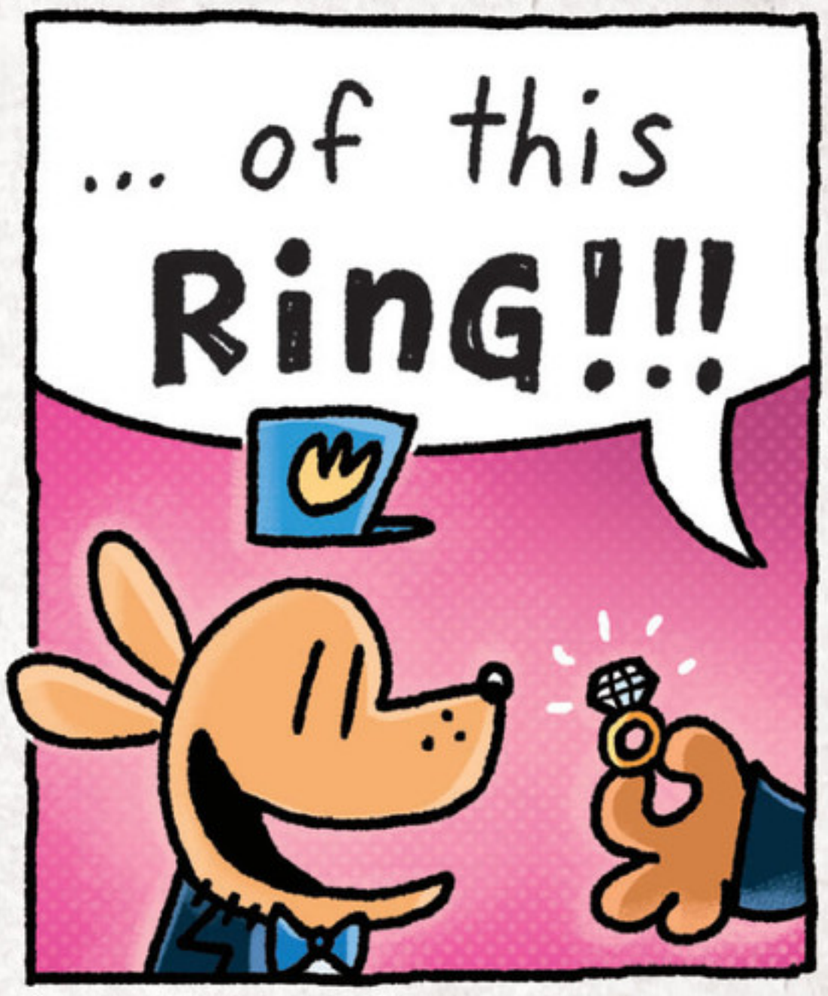
Pat Pat Pat Pat

...So You have to be a GOOD DoGGY!!!

No Peeing
on the FLOOR...

...No Pooping
in People's
Shoes...

... And You MUST
take Very Good
care...
chief
man


... of this
RinG!!!

chief
mmm

HEY!!!!
chief
mmm

You better not eAt this RinG!

I MeAn it!

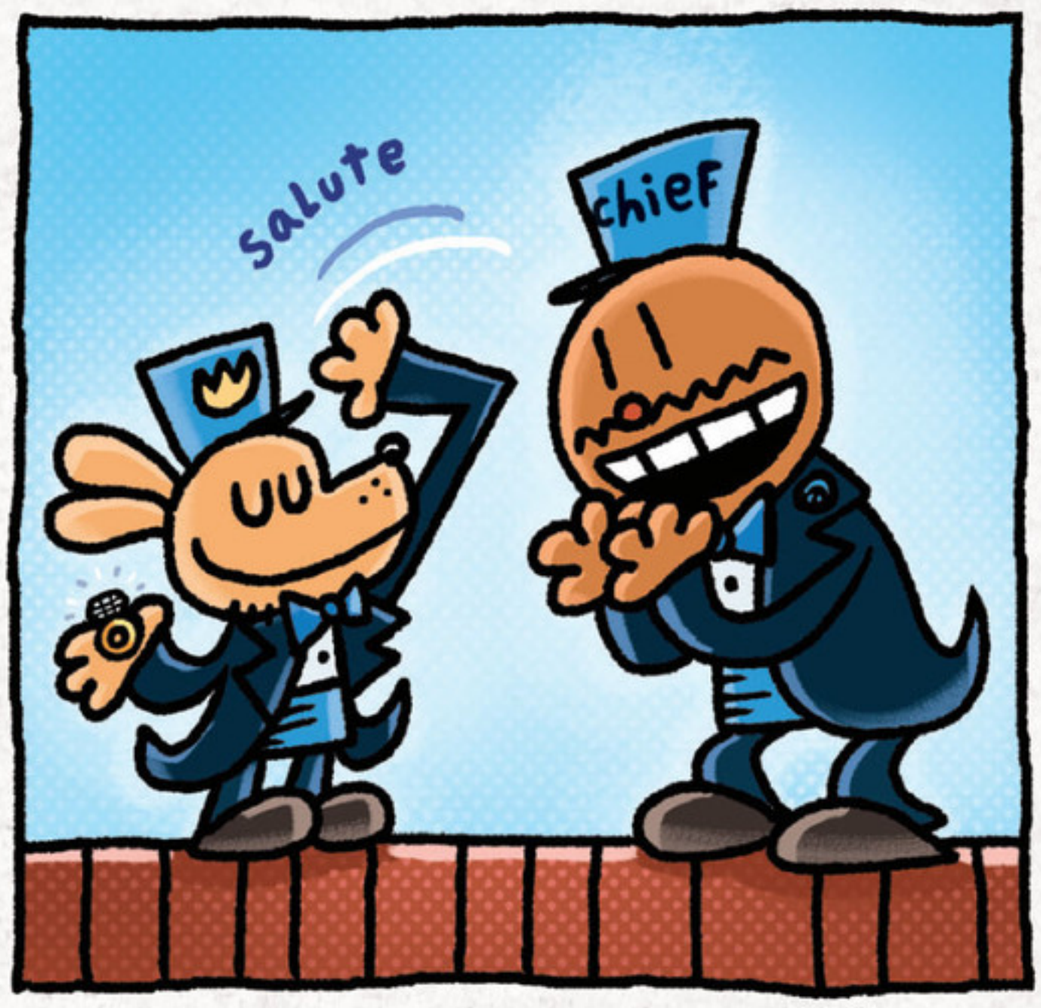
Don't eAt it...

DON'T EAT it...

chief

Just hold it in Your **HAnd**...

...until I **ASK** for it, okay?


Salute
Chief

Good Dog Man!
Pat Pat Pat
Chief

DING-DONG
DING-DONG
Chief

Come on, buddy!!!
It's time to GO!

Oh, boy, this is Gonna be GREAT!
Chief

Soon...

chief

And now...

...Li'L Petey and Molly will sing...
Wedding March

...the Traditional Bridal Chorus...
Wedding March

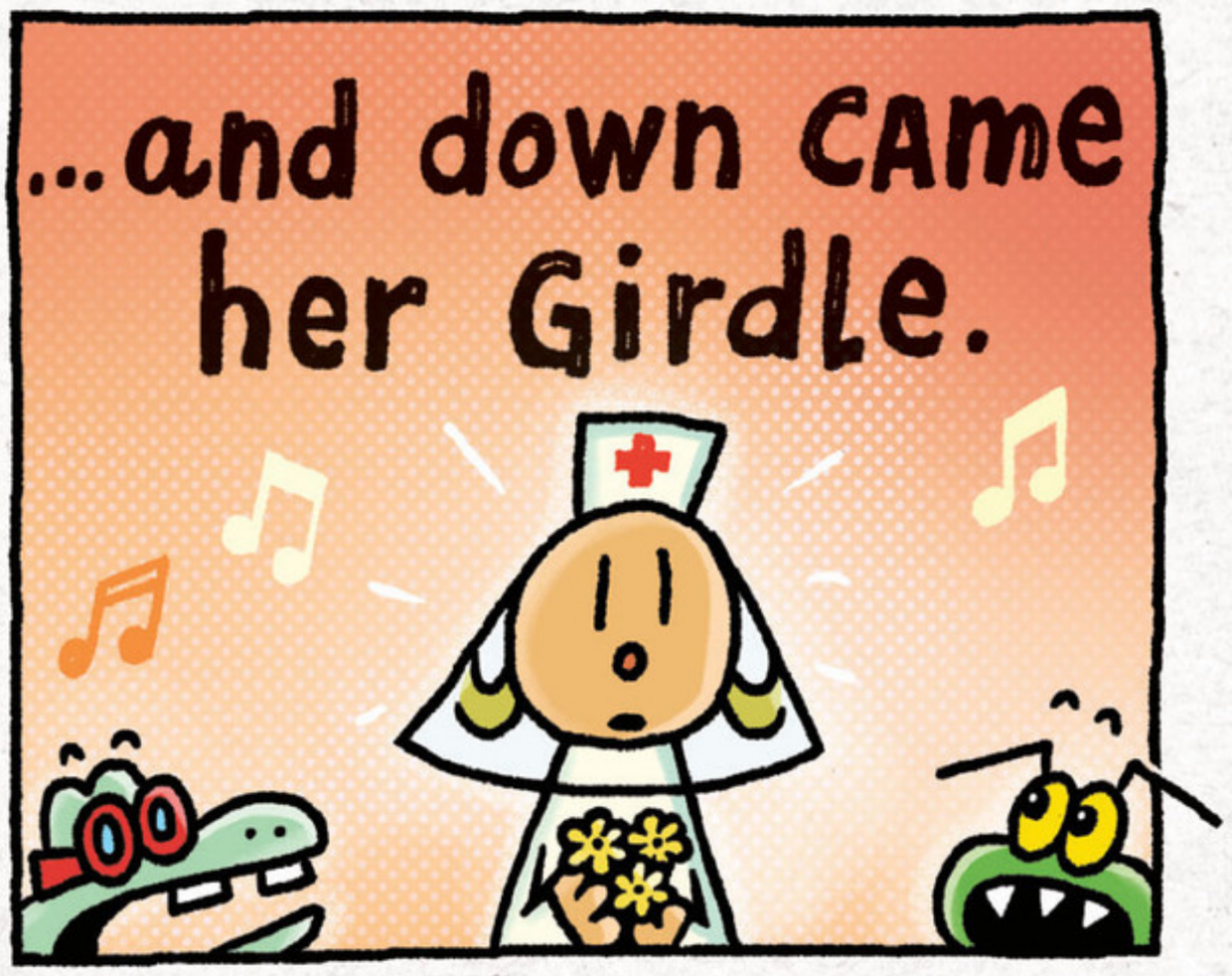
...in D Major.
ahem.
Wedding March

Here Comes the Bride...

...all dressed in White...

...stepped on a turtle...

...and down came her Girdle.



Here comes the Groom...

... all dressed in blue...

...tripped on a rockin' chair...

... and down came his underwear.

Here comes the Judge...

... all dressed in black...

...fell on a fancy Rose...

...and down came his Panty hose.

WHAT iS WRONG With You ChiLDRen???

Wedding March
wagner

Relax, JudGy WudGy!

chief

They were AWESOME!

chief

Yeah! We were AWESOME!

Judgy Wudgy!

PBBt

Sit DOWN!!!

And Let's Get this OVER with!

Chief

Do You take Him?

Heck, Yeah!

Chief

And do You take HER?

chief

Sure. Why not?

chief

OKay, Put a Ring on it...

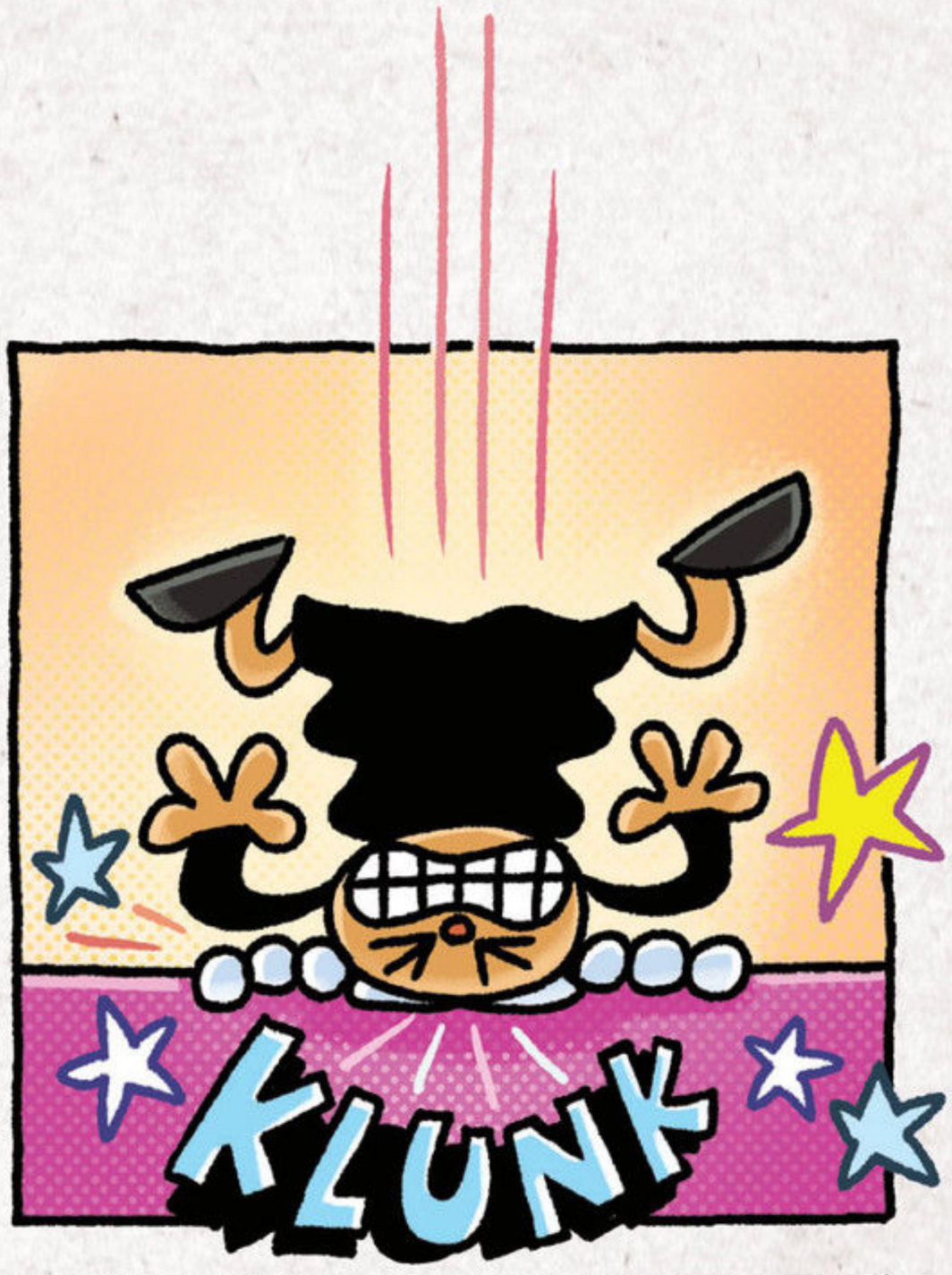
... And make it SNAPPY!!!

Here ya Go, Cute Stuff.

Sweeeet!!!

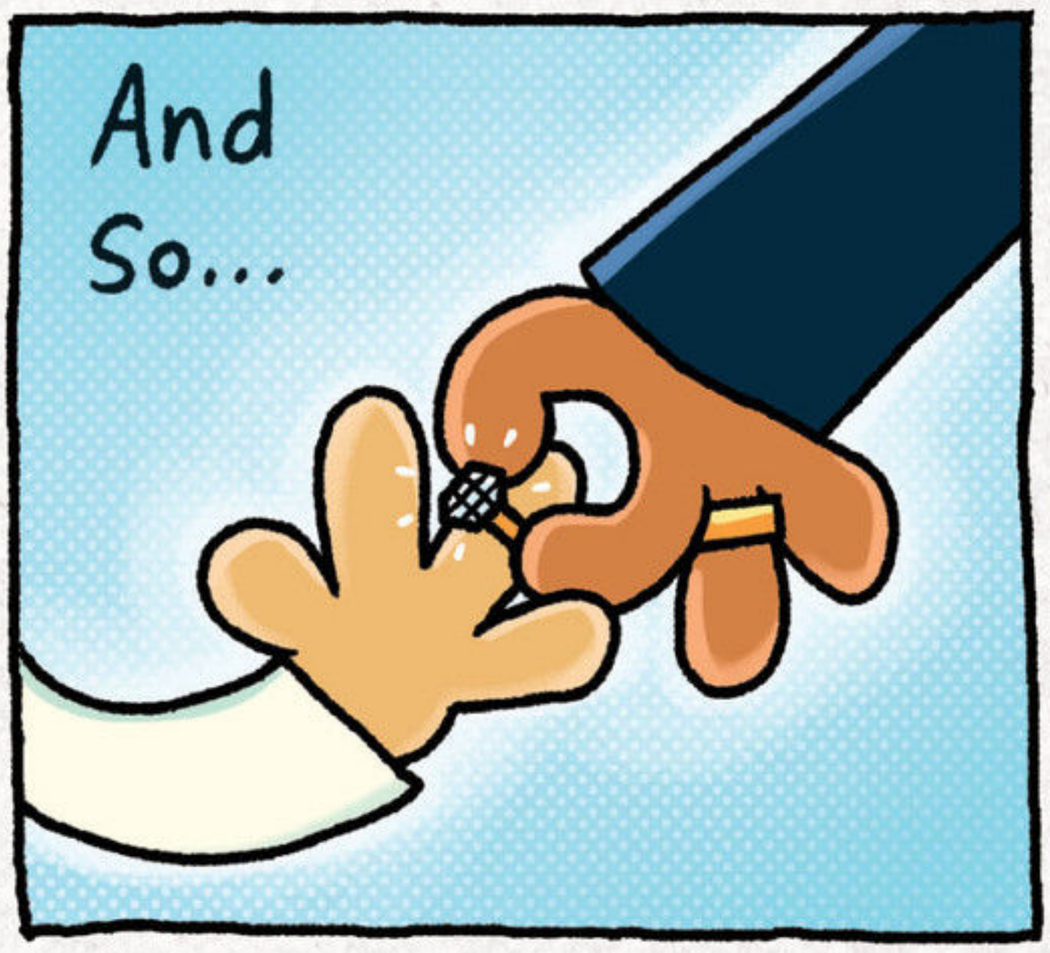
OKay, Dog Man! I need the Ring!!!

POW!


KLUNK

I KNEW You Wouldn't eat it!
Chief

I saw him lick it a few times!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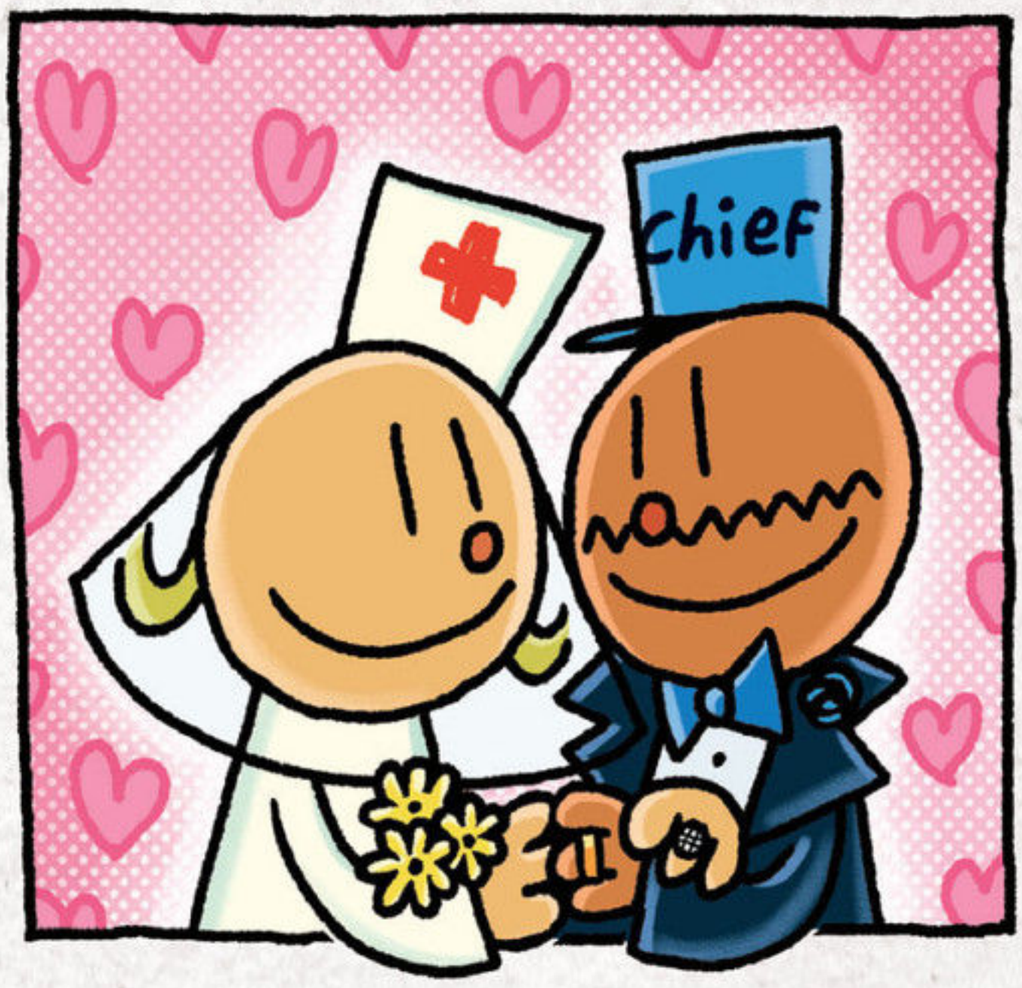
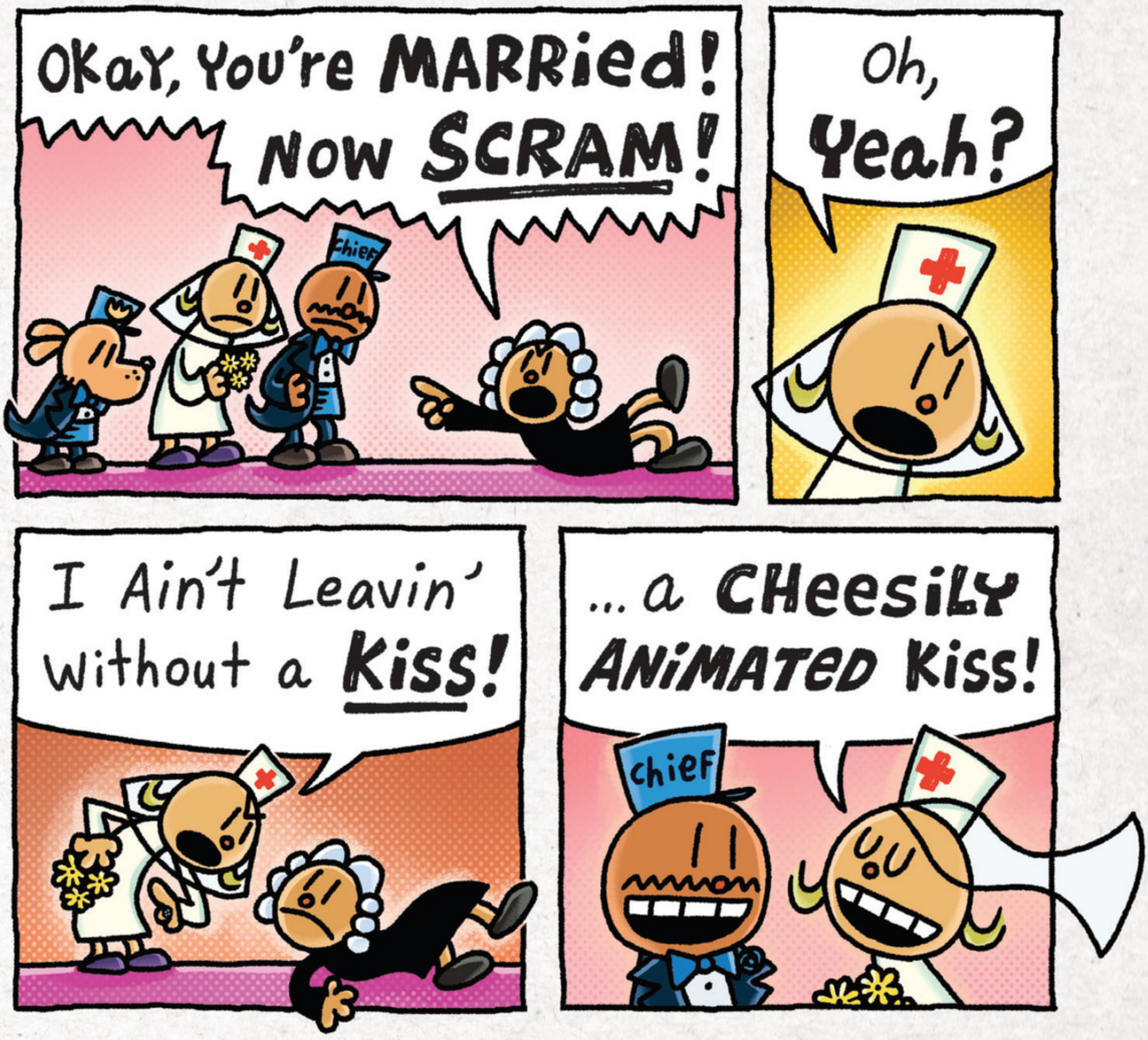

Chief



INTRODUCING

FLIP-E-RAMA

FLiP-E-RAMA

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FLIP-E-RAMA works best if your device is turned vertically and you can only see one page at a time. Don't forget to add your own sound-effects!

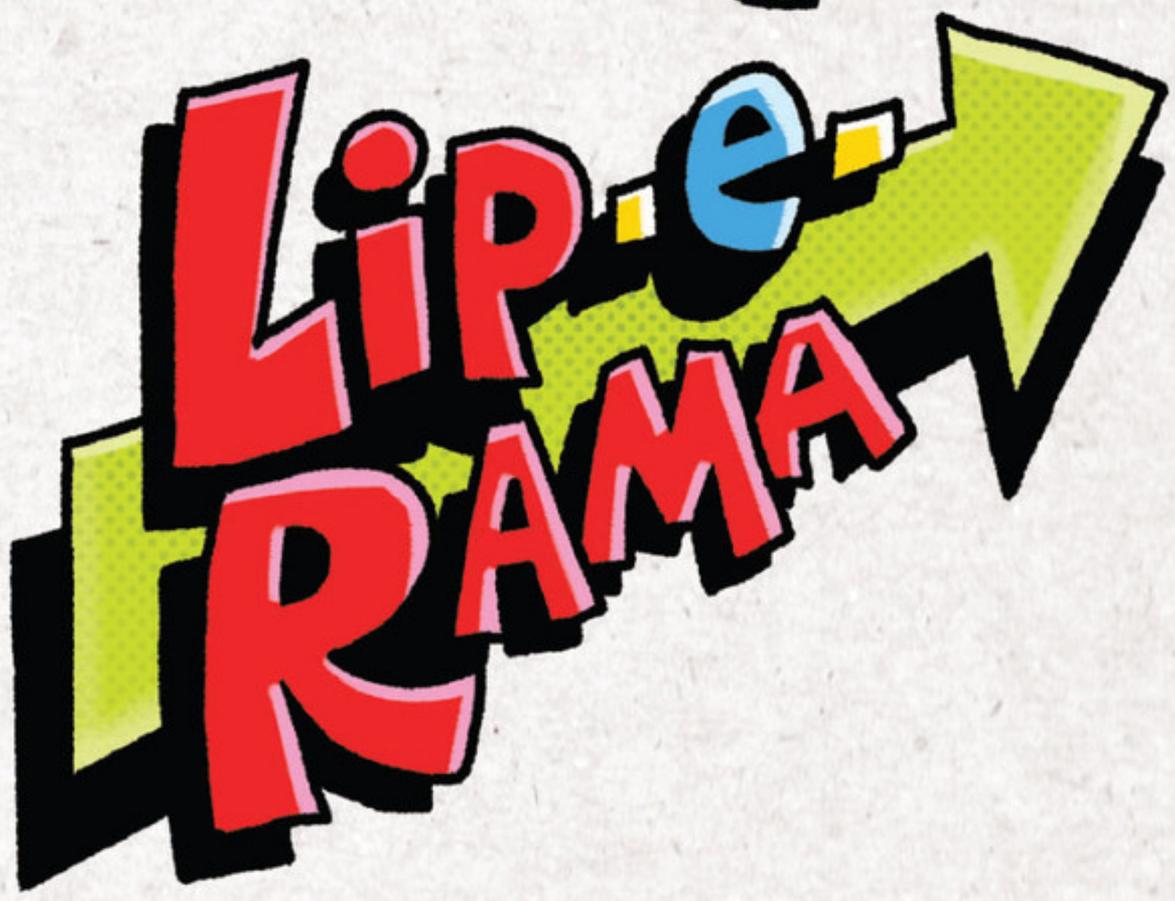
Wait— they're Gonna **KiSS?**

In front of **EVERYBODY???**

Is this **APPROPRIATE?**

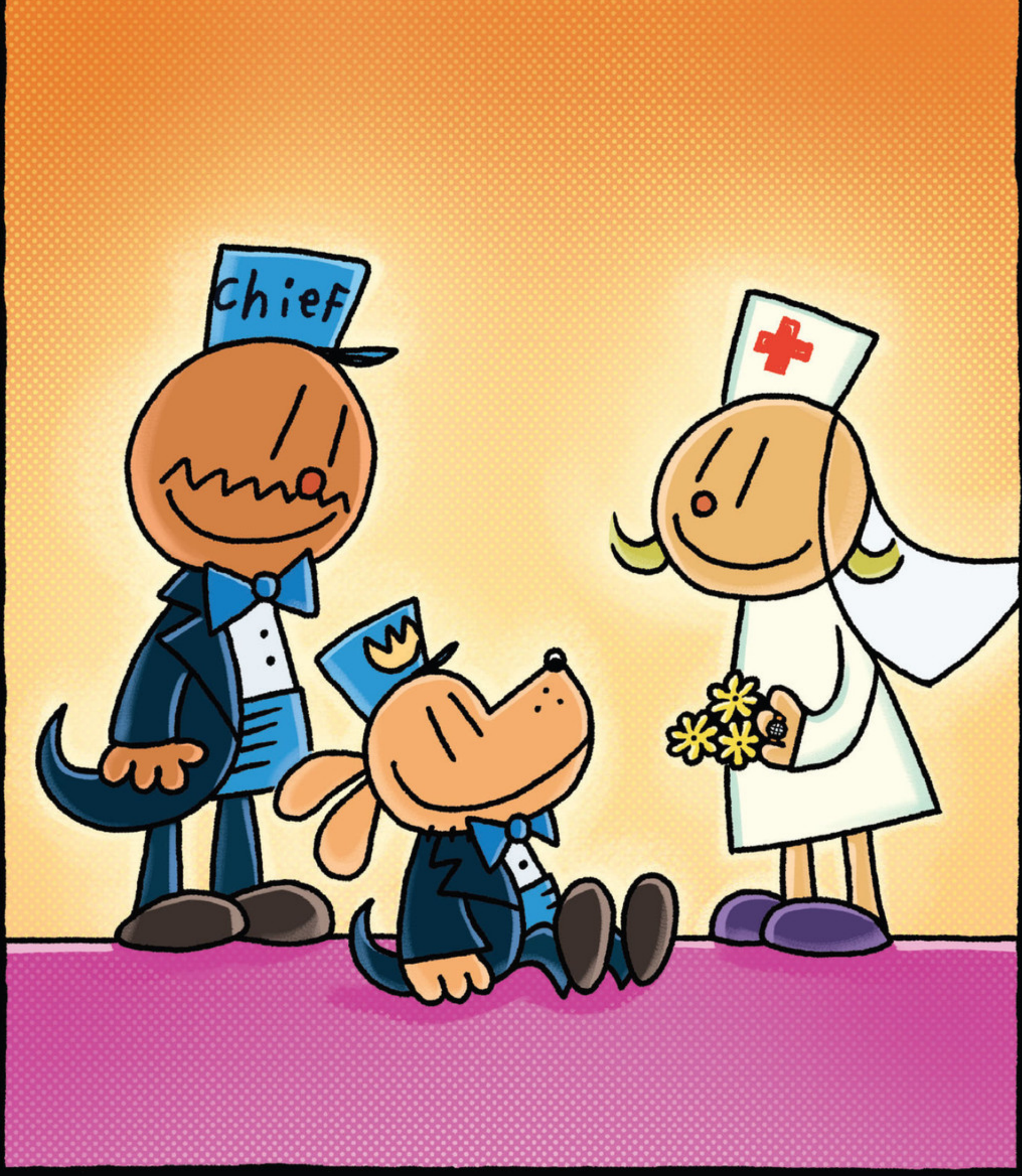
Calm down, kids. This happens at **Every** wedding!

It's very **ROMANTIC!!!**



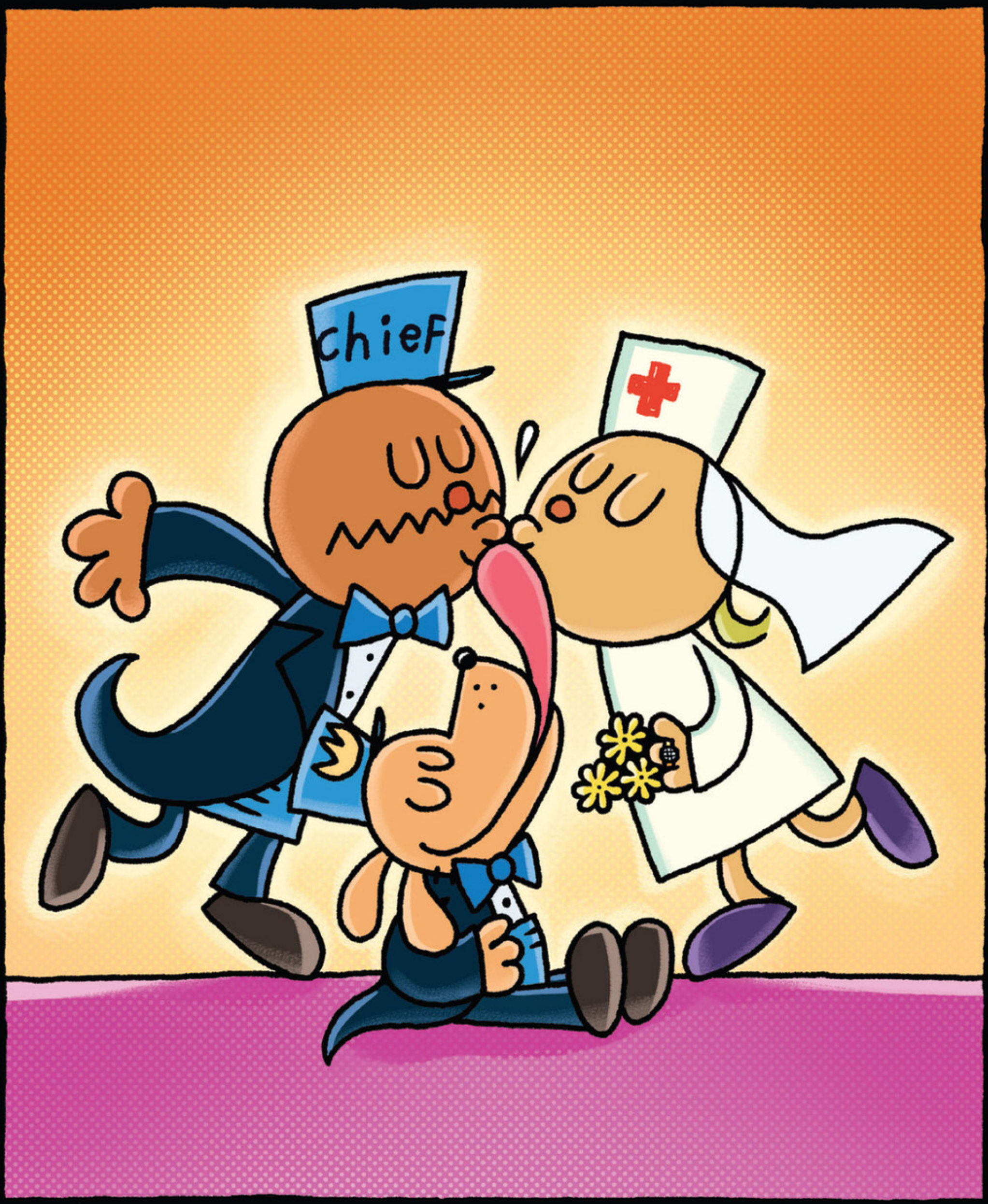
READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA



Poochie
Smoochie

FLIP-E-RAMA



Poochie
Smoochie

...and sometimes it's GROSS!!!

So anyway...

ALL CITY

Just MARRIED

chief

We're leaving for our honeymoon...

chief

...so whoever catches my hat...

chief

...Gets to be Chief while I'm Gone!!!

chief

chief

Just MARRIED

ZOOM

chief

chief

CATCH

Oh, **NO!** She's the cop who **HATES** Dog Man!

That's **RiGht!**

So You'd better watch Your step...

...'Cuz there's a **New ChieF in Town!!!**

MWA HAW HAW HAW

CHAPTER 2

Heeere, Kitty, Kitty, Kitty!

I'm the Boss now...

chief

...and DOG Man's Days are—

chief

Hey, where **IS** DOG Man?

chief

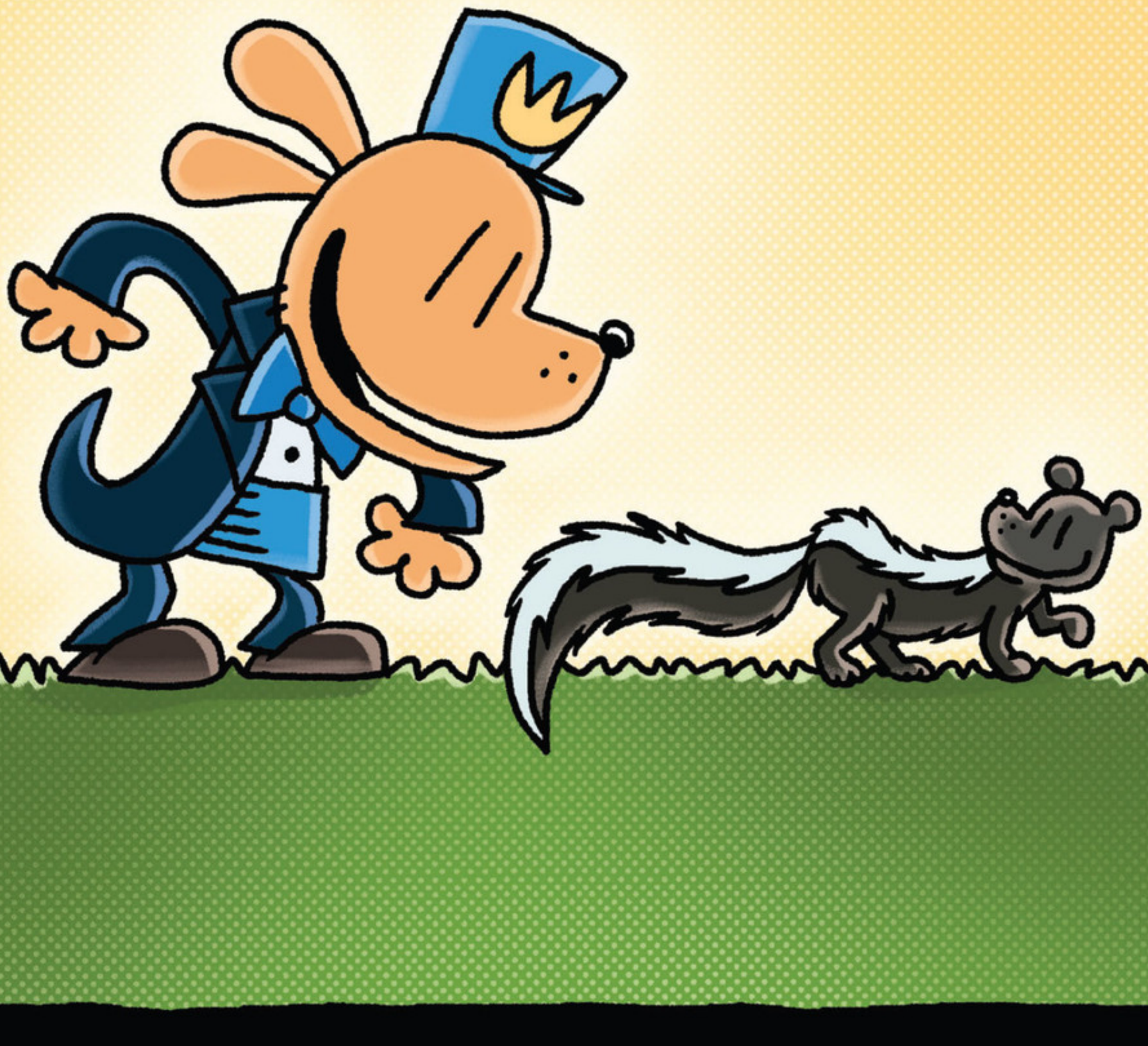
He was Just here two pages ago!

Then...

STINK-O-RAMA

READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA



Every Dog Has His Spray

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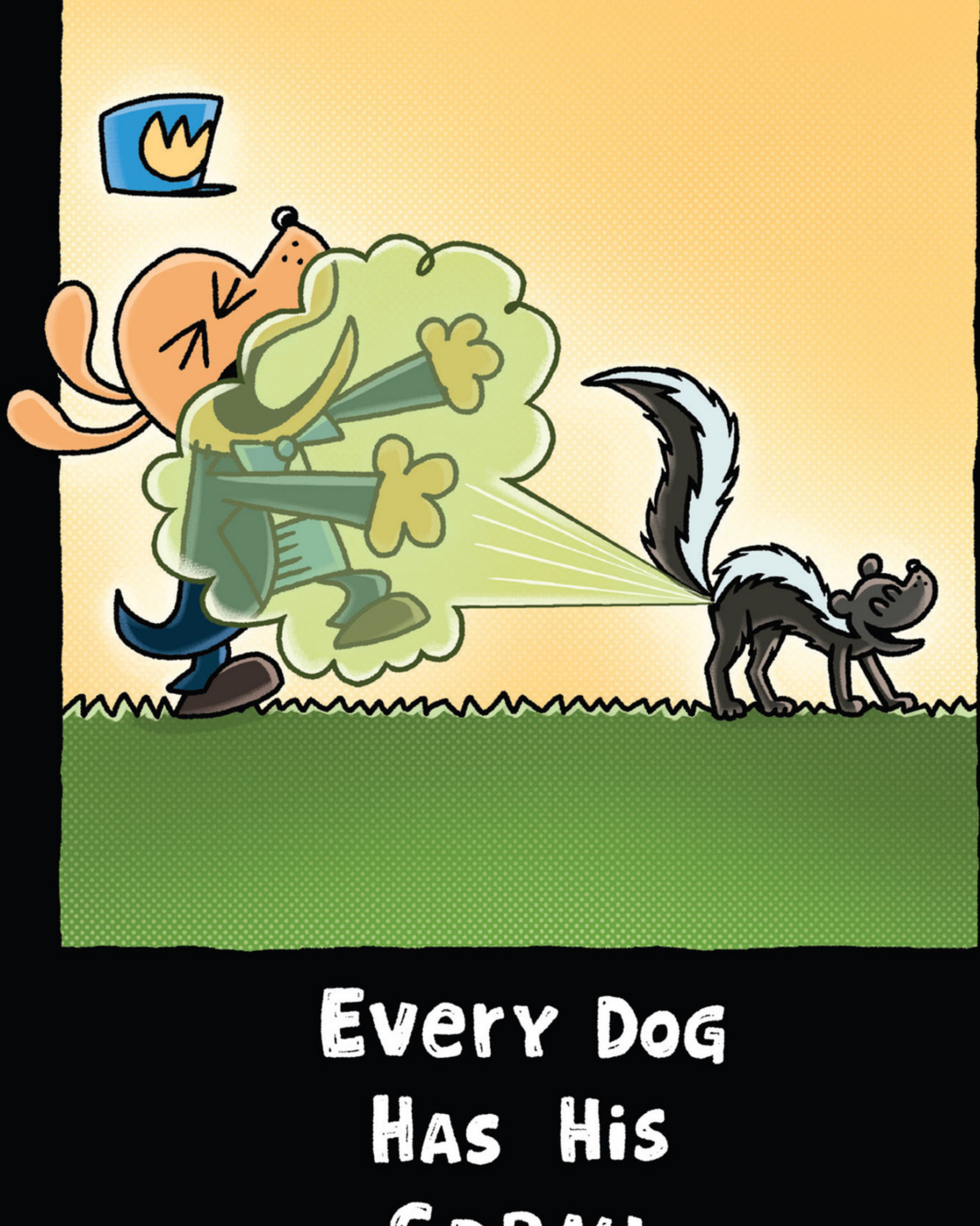


Every Dog
Has His
Spray

I don't know what DoG Man is up to...

Chief

...but **I'm** Gonna **Find Out!**

chief

MWA HAW HAW HAW

chief

MWA HAW HAW

chief

RUFF RUFF RUFF

BAM

chief

chief

Chief

SPLAT

You Got Skunk Juice ALL over Me!!!

chief

How Could This Get Any WORSE?

SSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS

chief

DOG MAN!!!

YOU... YOU...

chief

...YOU'LL PAY FOR This!!!

chief

Meanwhile...

ALL NEW CITY HALL

Hey!

The wedding's **over**, so **Get Lost!**

How **RUDE!**

I'll just lock these doors and...

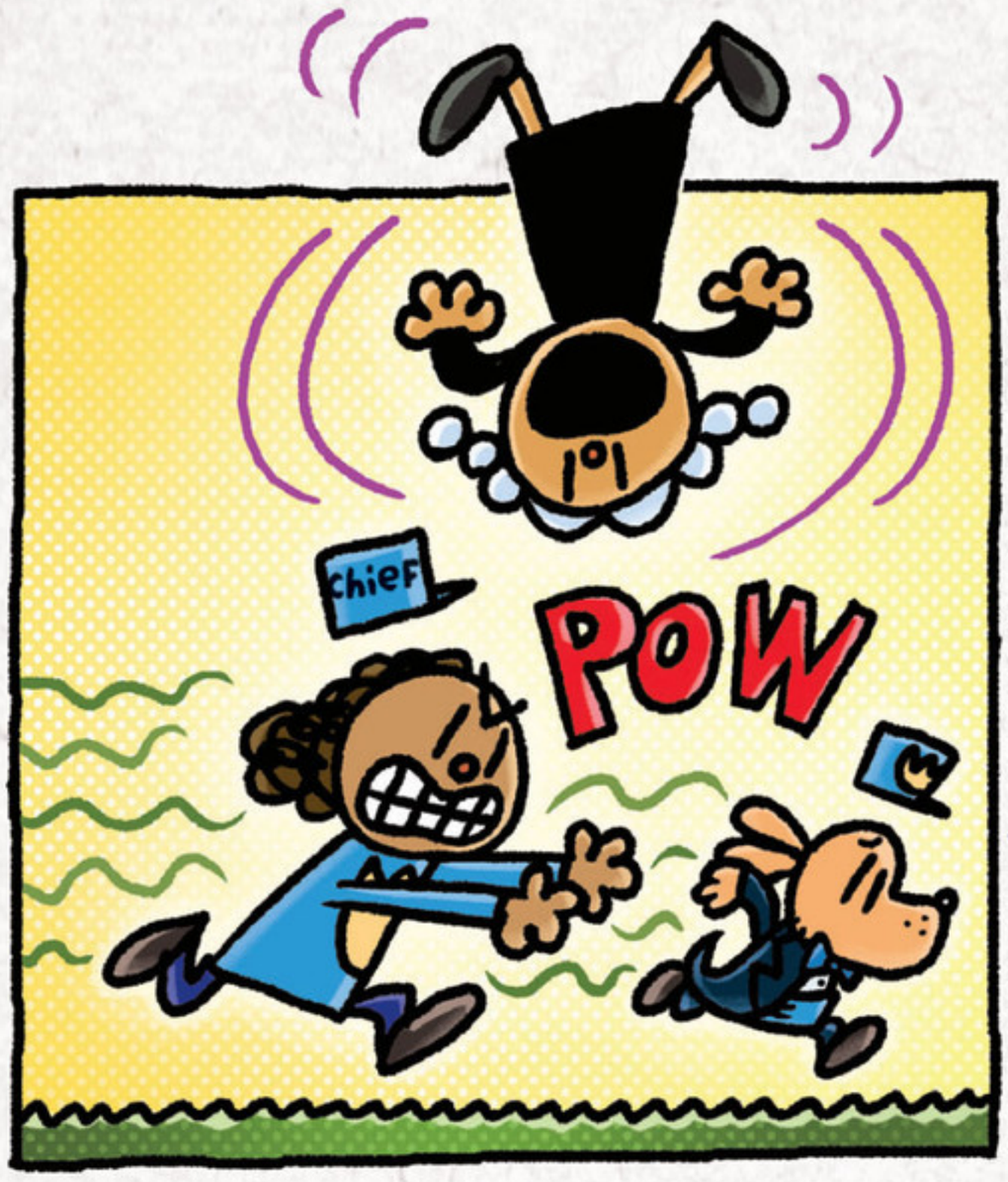
... sniff sniff

What's that **Horrible** smell?

Suddenly...

chief

VVVRROOOMM


chief
POW

KLUNK!

Hey!!!

Get out of my NEWLY Rebuilt City HALL!!!

But then...
CAUTION:
TRIPPING HAZARD

KLUNKA
KLUNKA
KLUNKA

KRACK

CRUMBLE

BRUMBLE

KERSMASHABASHA

chief

KRACKLE

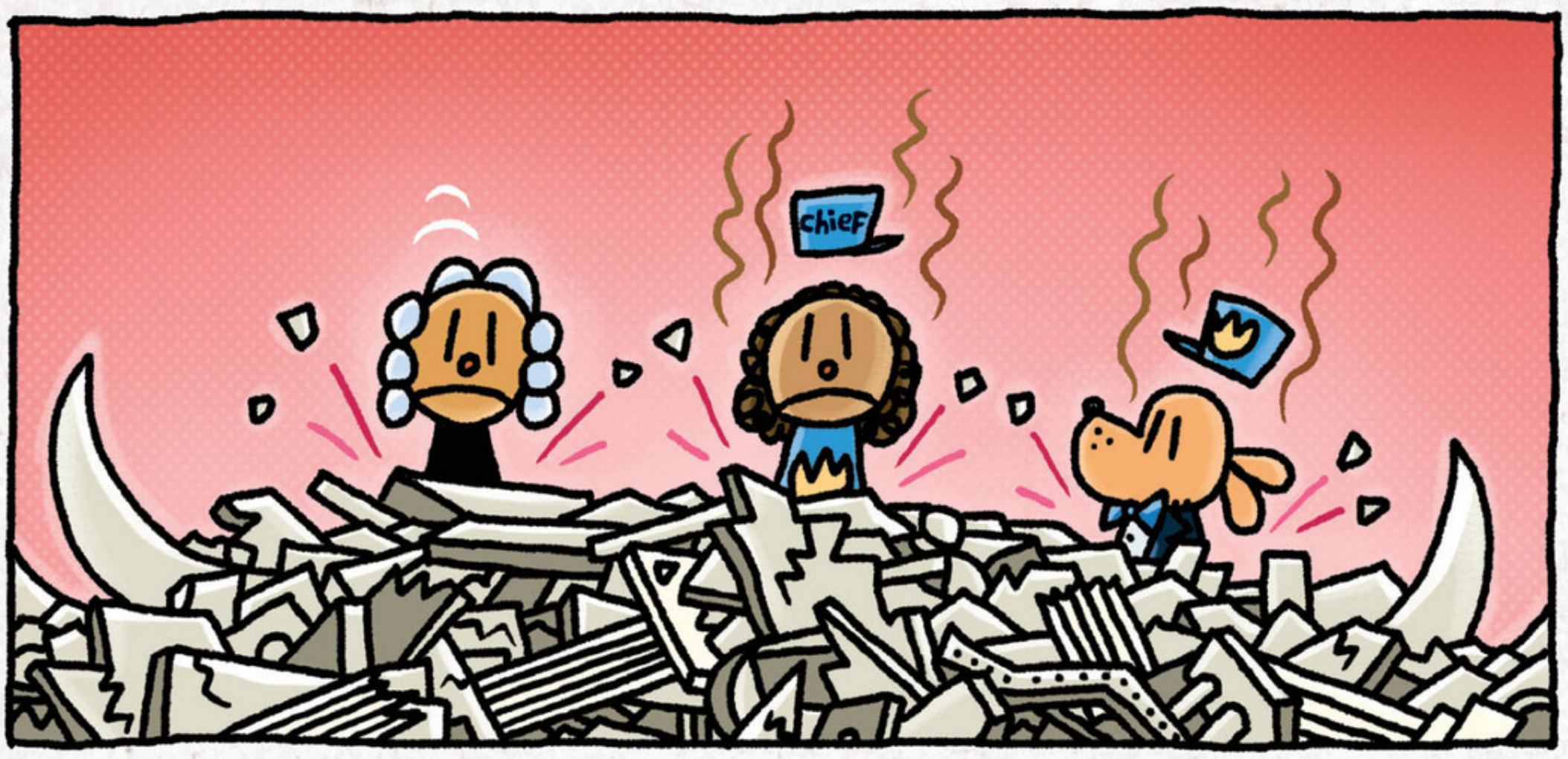
KRACKLE

ALL NEW

CITY HALL

KRACKLE

SMOOSH!


chief

Look what You MAde me DO!!!
chief

IT WASn't MY FAULT!!!
chief

WAS TOO!!!
WAS NOT!!!
chief

Hey! Let's blame DoG Man!
Yeah!!!
chief

It's **OUR Word** AGAinst **his!!!**

Chief

MWA HAW HAW HAW

Uh-oh. DoG Man's in trouble AGAin.

80-HD, Don't fail me now!

WHOOSH!

Quick! Take DoG Man home!!!

WHOOSH!

HOINK

chief

And So...

You can RUN, Dog Man...

...but You can't Hide!!!

chief

MWA HAW HAW HAW HAW

chief

SSSSSSSSSSSSSS

chief

CHAPTER 3

The Tomato Juice Solution

Later...

Boy, DoG Man Sure smells **BAD!!!**

TOMATO JUICE

He reeks like a stink bug's diaper Gravy!

He Stank-a-dank like a dunG beetle's armpit cheese!!!

He funk-a-dunk like a pickled rotten eGG with anchovy butt sauce!!!

Don't You have A HOME?

Yeah.

Well, it's TiME to GO There!

We have enough PROBLEMS...

...Without YOU beinG DiSGUSTinG!!!

Okay.

Smell Ya Later!

Hey, Papa?

WHAT?

How come we're washing Dog Man with tomato juice?

Because tomato juice gets the **stink out!**

Why?

Because it **neutralizes** the odor.

Why?

Because it reacts chemically.

Why?

Because it changes the composition of skunk spray!

Why?

Because the **CArotenoids** and **LYcopene** in tomatoes break down the sulfur-based compounds in—

ARe You even Listening?

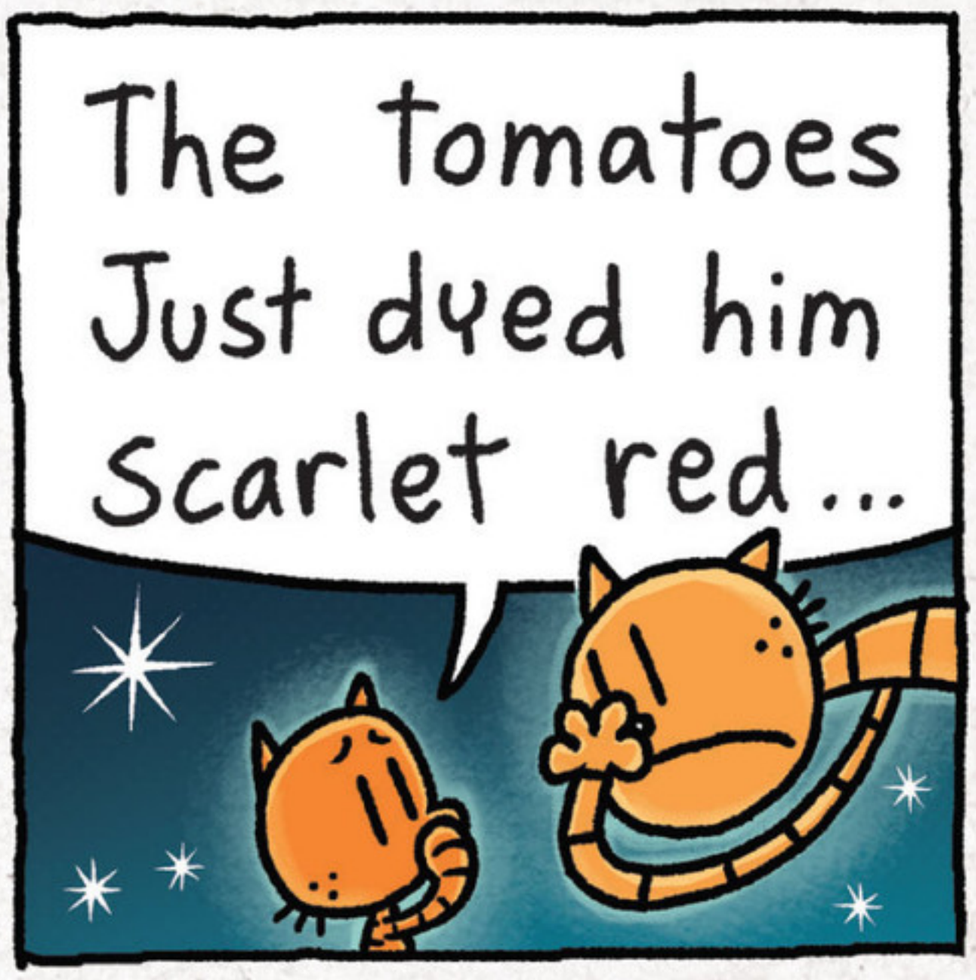
No.

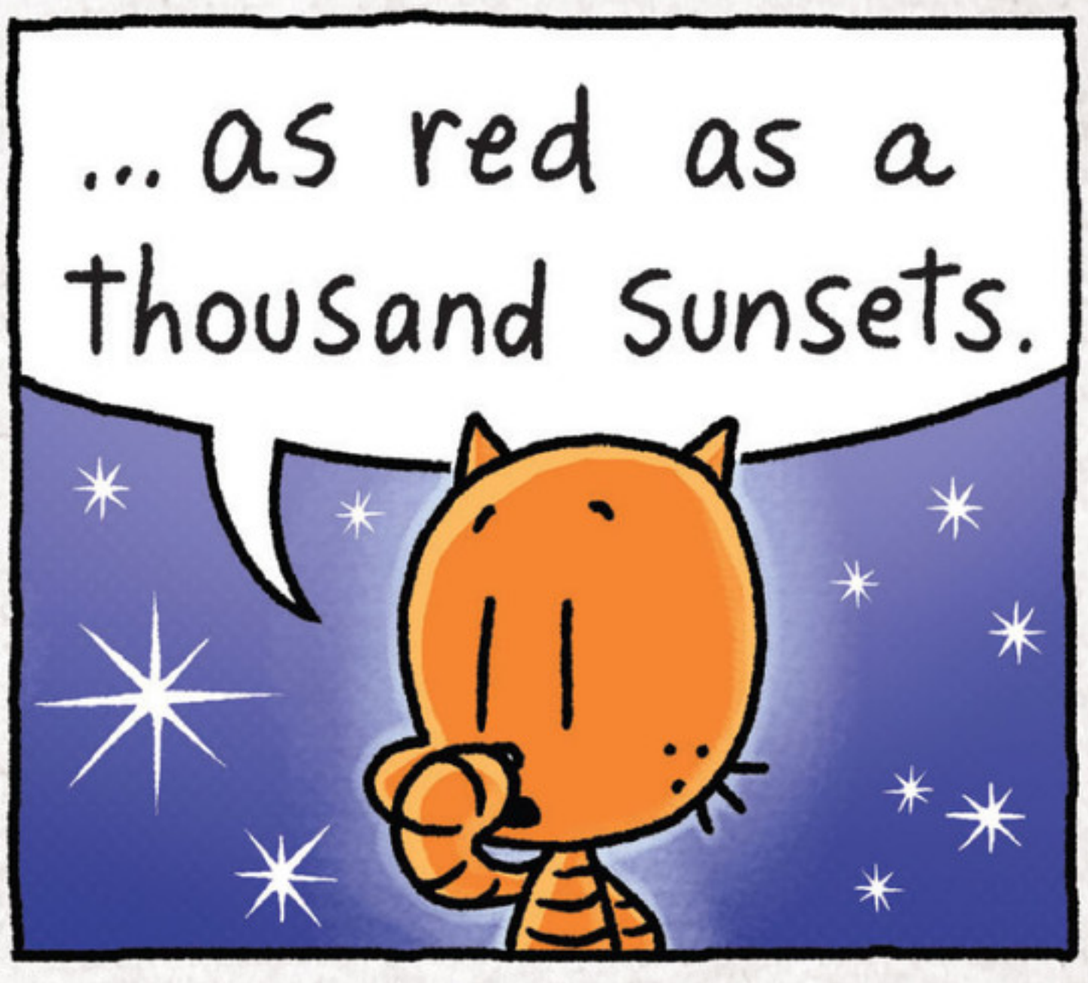
...END OF STORY!

Look, tomAto Juice **Works**...

Two hours later...

It didn't work.


The tomatoes Just dyed him Scarlet red...

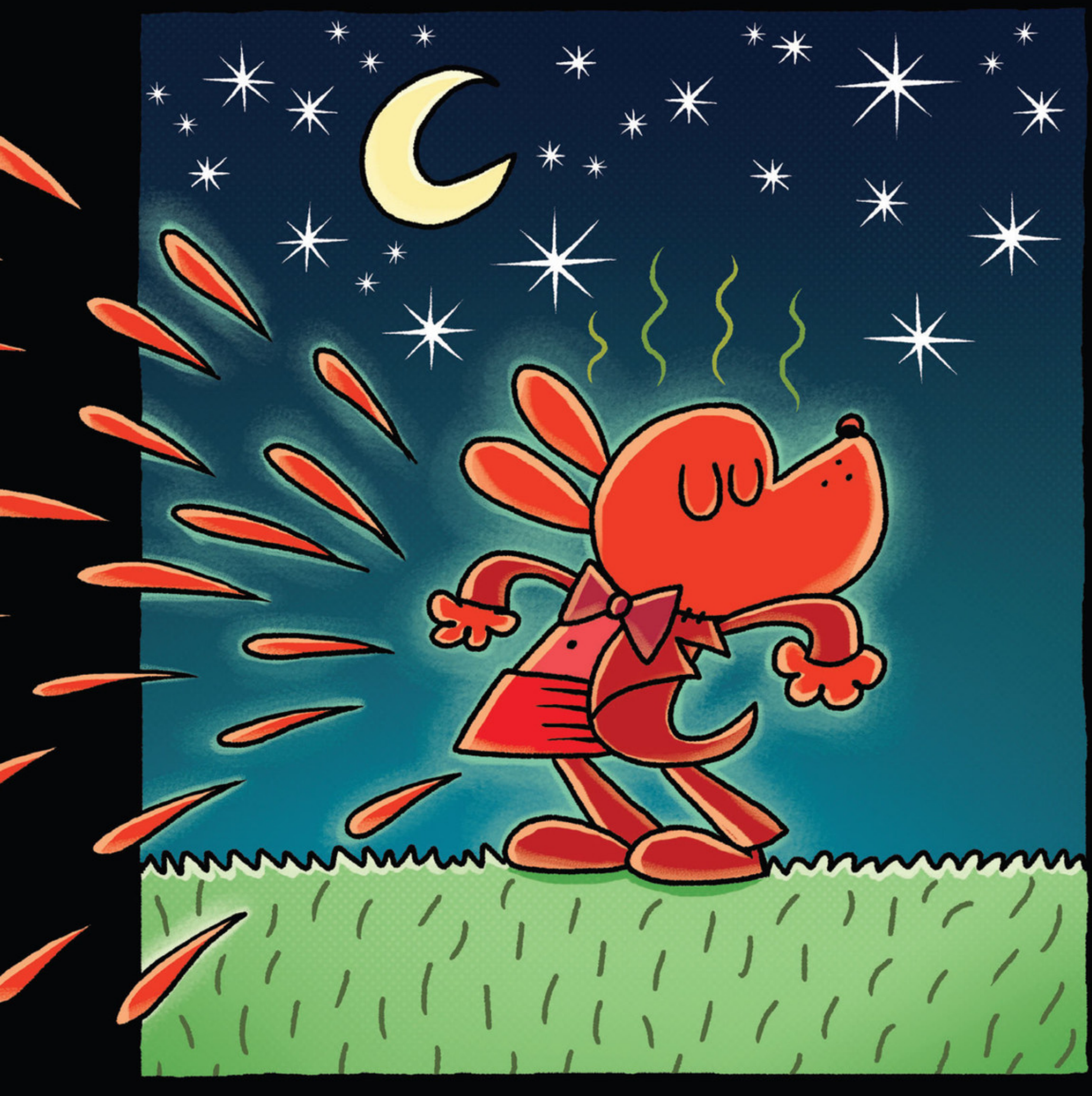

...as red as a thousand sunsets.

Welp, at least it can't Get any WORSE!

WORSE
E
LRAMA

READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA



Stinkle
Sprinkle

FLIP-E-RAMA

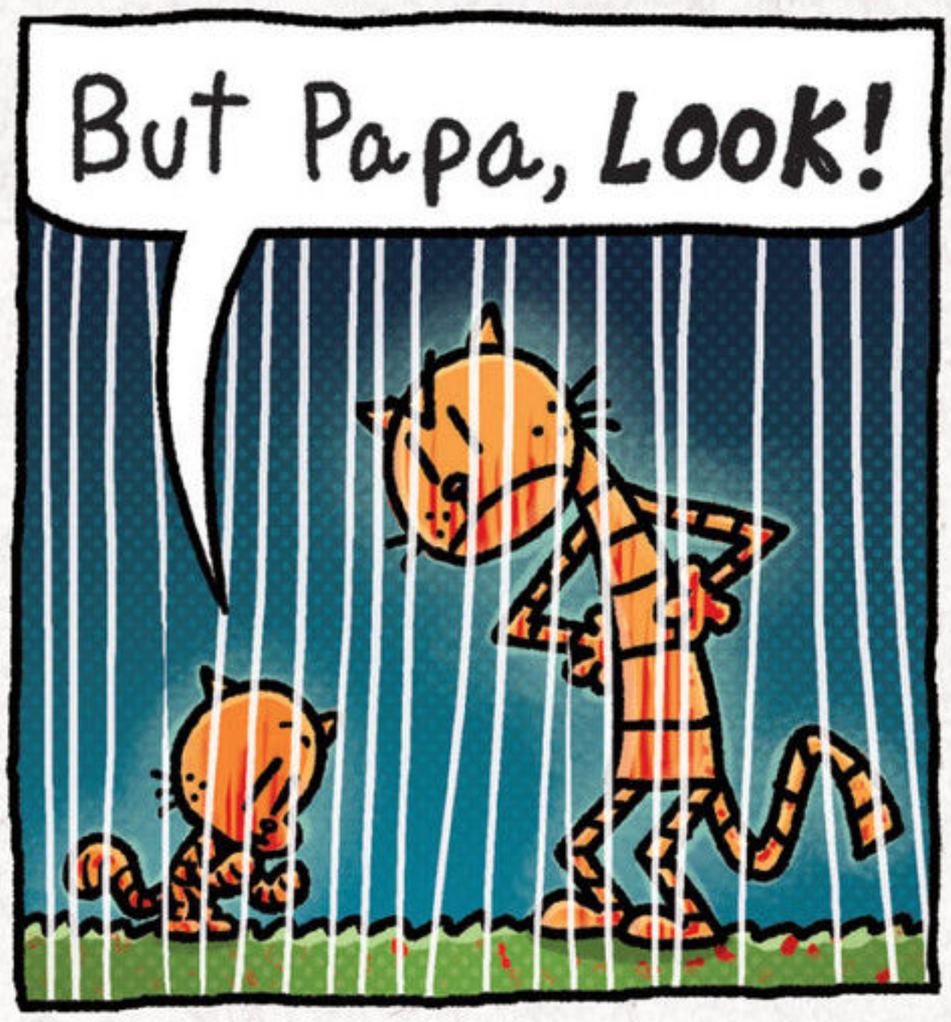
Stinkle
Sprinkle

Hey, look! It **Did** Get worse!

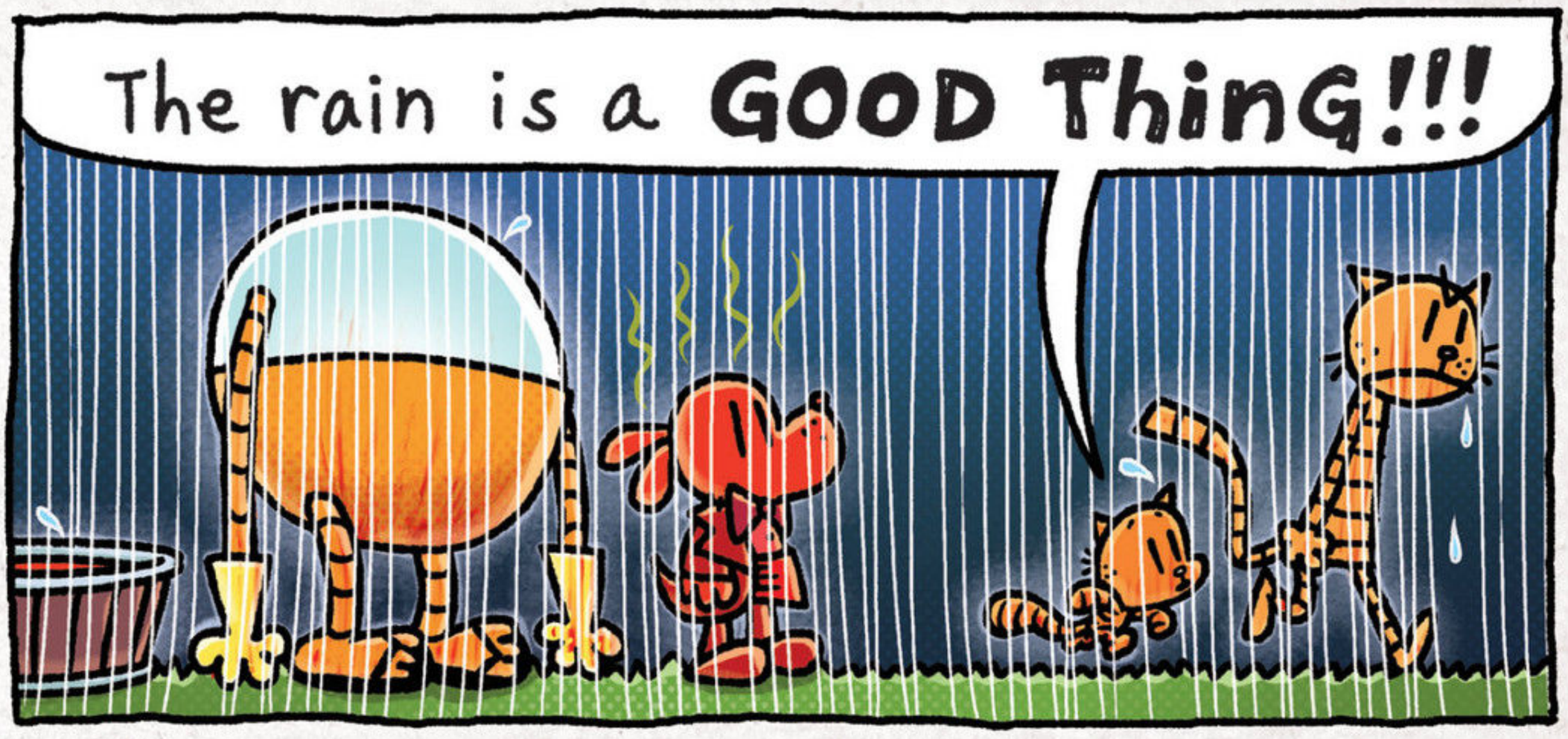
Welp, at least it can't Get WORSER!!!

KA BOOM

WOULD YOU STOP SAYinG ThAt???


But Papa, LOOK!

The rain is washing off the tomato juice!


The rain is a GOOD ThinG!!!

It Just depends on how You look at it!!!

Whatever!!!
DOG MAN

Meanwhile...

...in the dark blanket of niGht...

...a Sinister ShADOw emerges...

CRASH

KA-BOOM

EVERYTHING EXCEPT FABRIC SOFTENER

1 HR PARKING 9AM-5PM

ROBOT SUPPLIES

★Conquer the Earth!
★Subjugate Humanity!
★Fun!

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

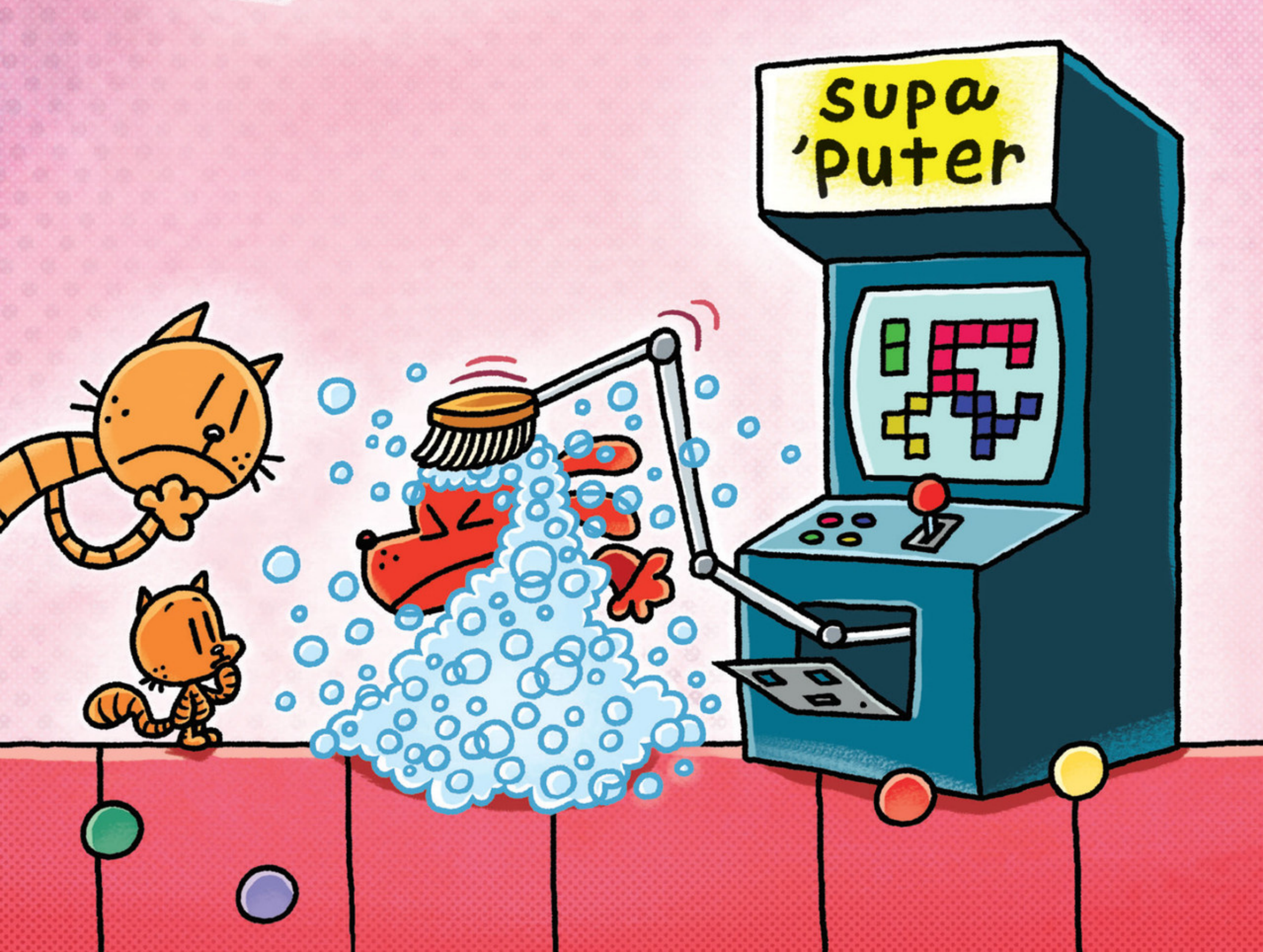
Hi, boss.

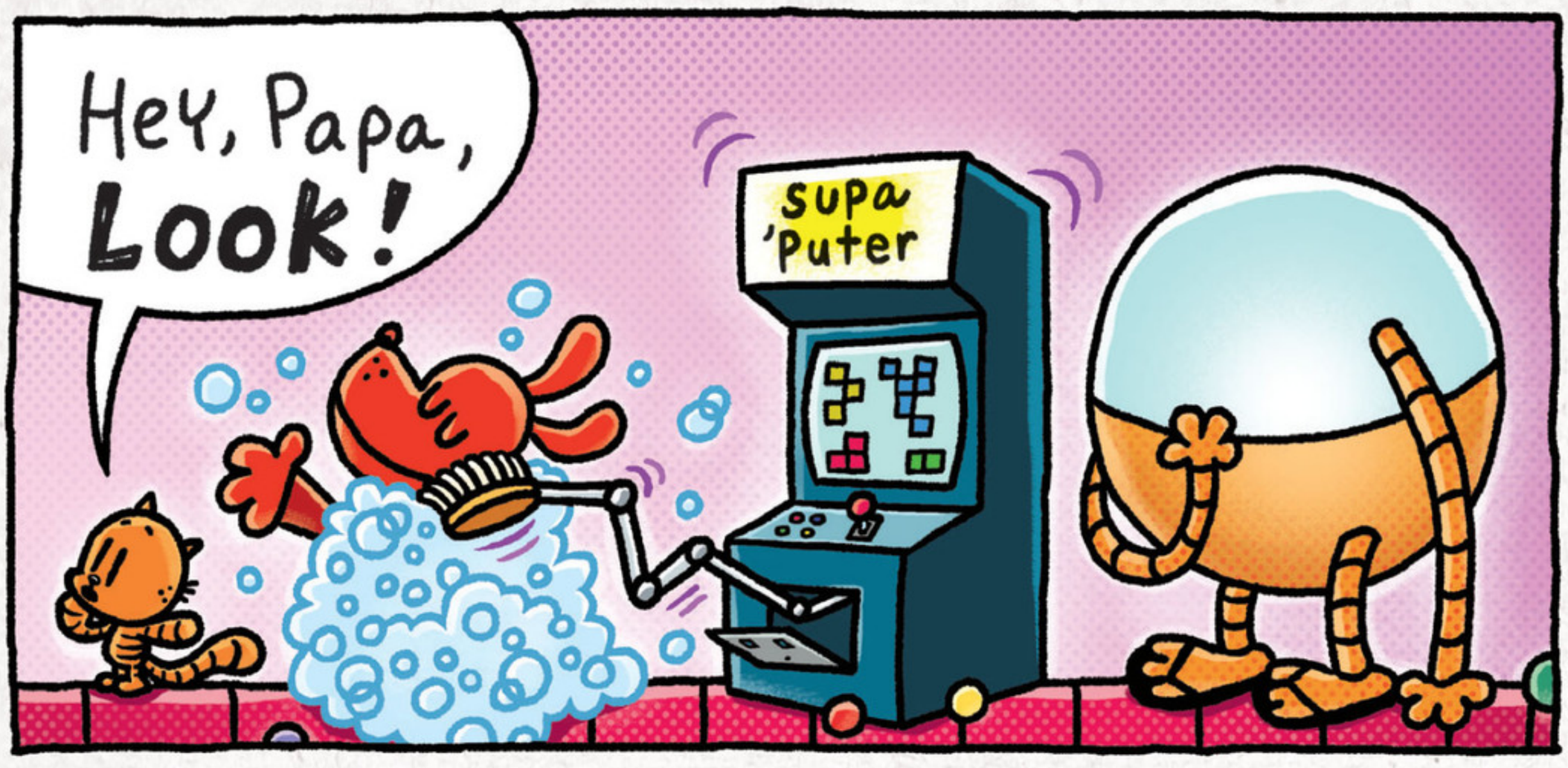
I got the robot parts for you.

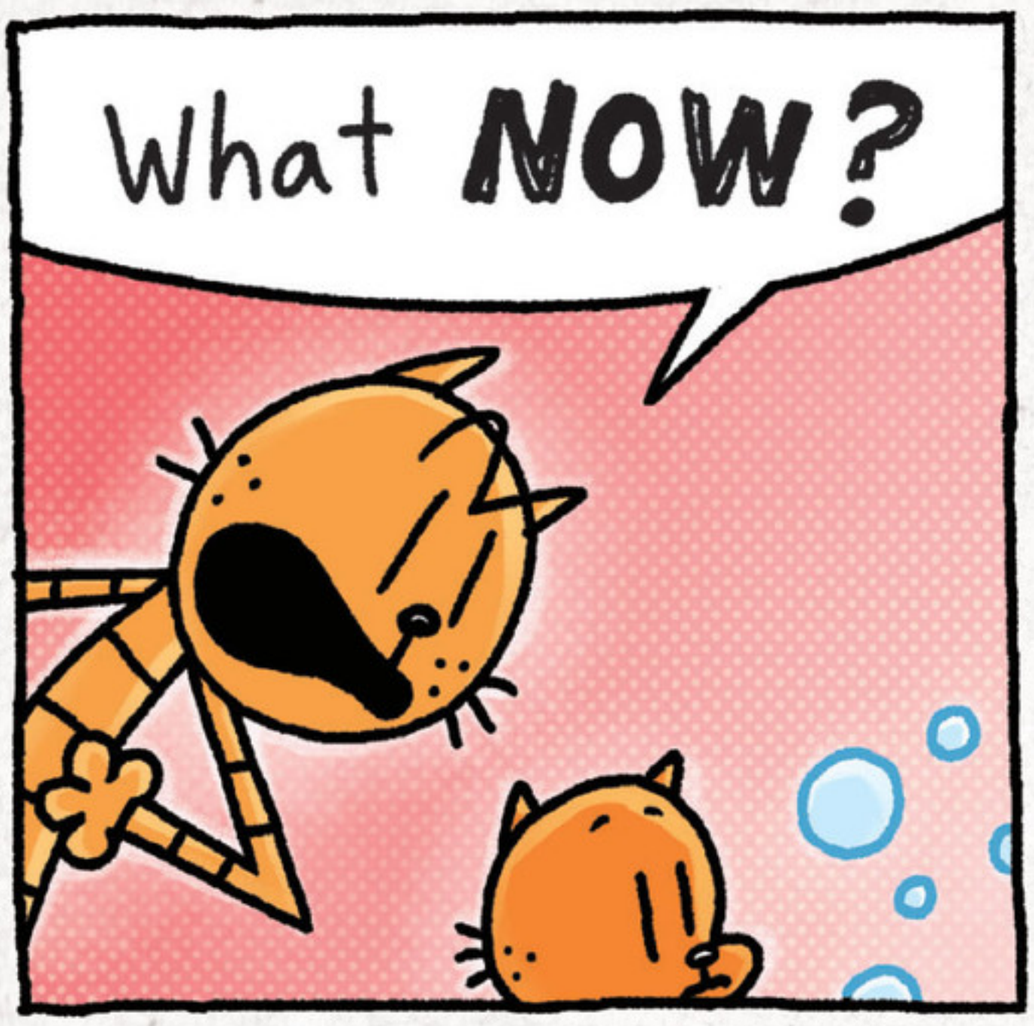
Excellent!!!

CHAPTER 4

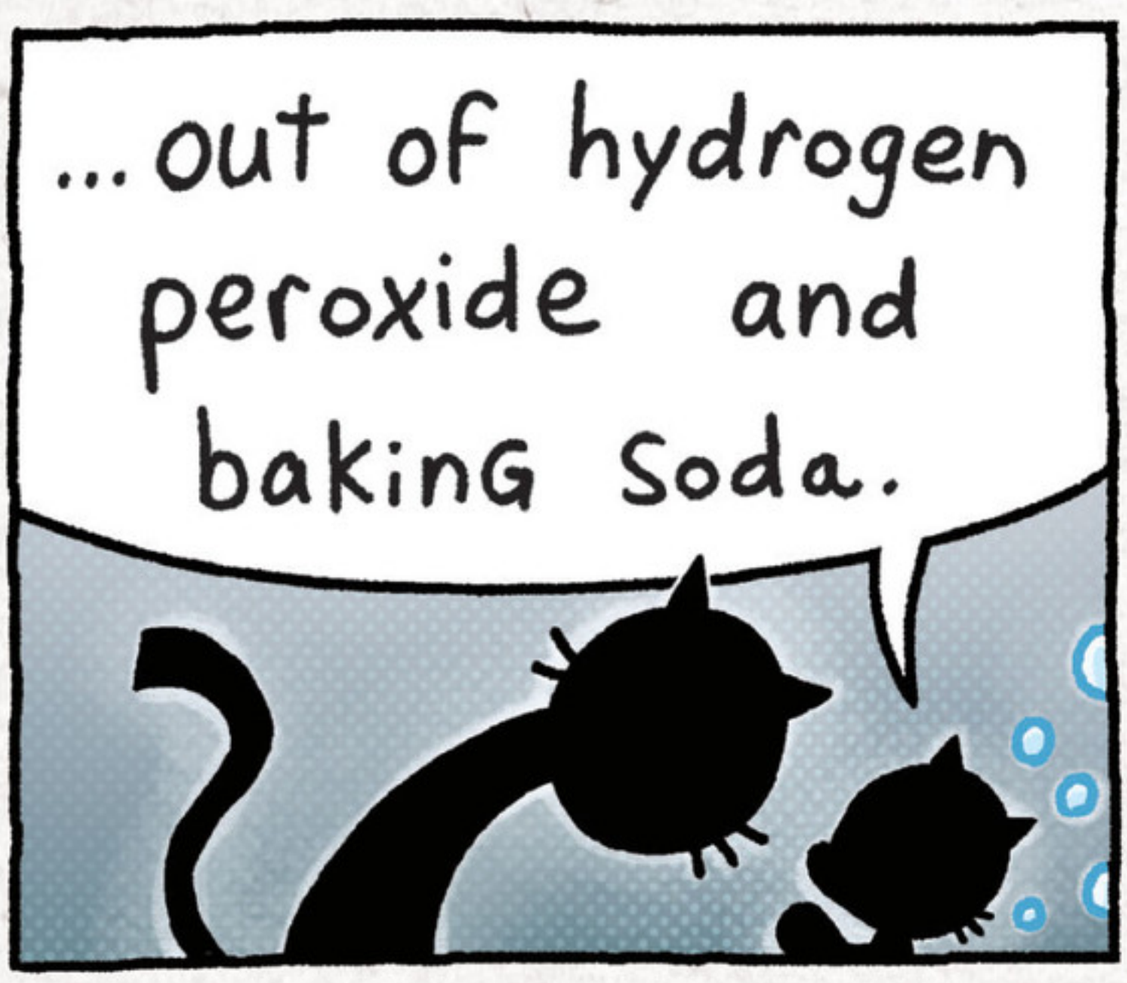
A BUNCHA STUFF THAT HAPPENED NEXT




Hey, Papa, Look!
supa 'puter


What NOW?

Supa 'Puter made some Shampoo...


...out of hydrogen peroxide and baking Soda.

It's Getting the Stink out!

SSSSSSSSSSSSSS

Supa 'Puter

VVVVVRRRRR

Supa 'Puter

SUPA-DRY 2000

Gee whiz...

sniff sniff

...he doesn't **StinK** anymore...

MMMMMM

WeT VAC 2000

...than **USUAL!!!**

But how come he's still **RED?**

Unfortunately, he soaked in tomato juice for too long...

Supa 'Puter

...so he will remain red for a few DiNG-DonG ♫

Supa 'Puter

Doorbell!

RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF

FLiP FLOP FLiP FLOP FLiP FLOP

FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP

RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF

RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF

RUFF RUFF RUFF

FLIP FLOP FLIP

RUFF

RUFF RUFF RUFF RUFF

RUFF RUFF RUFF

FLIP FLOP

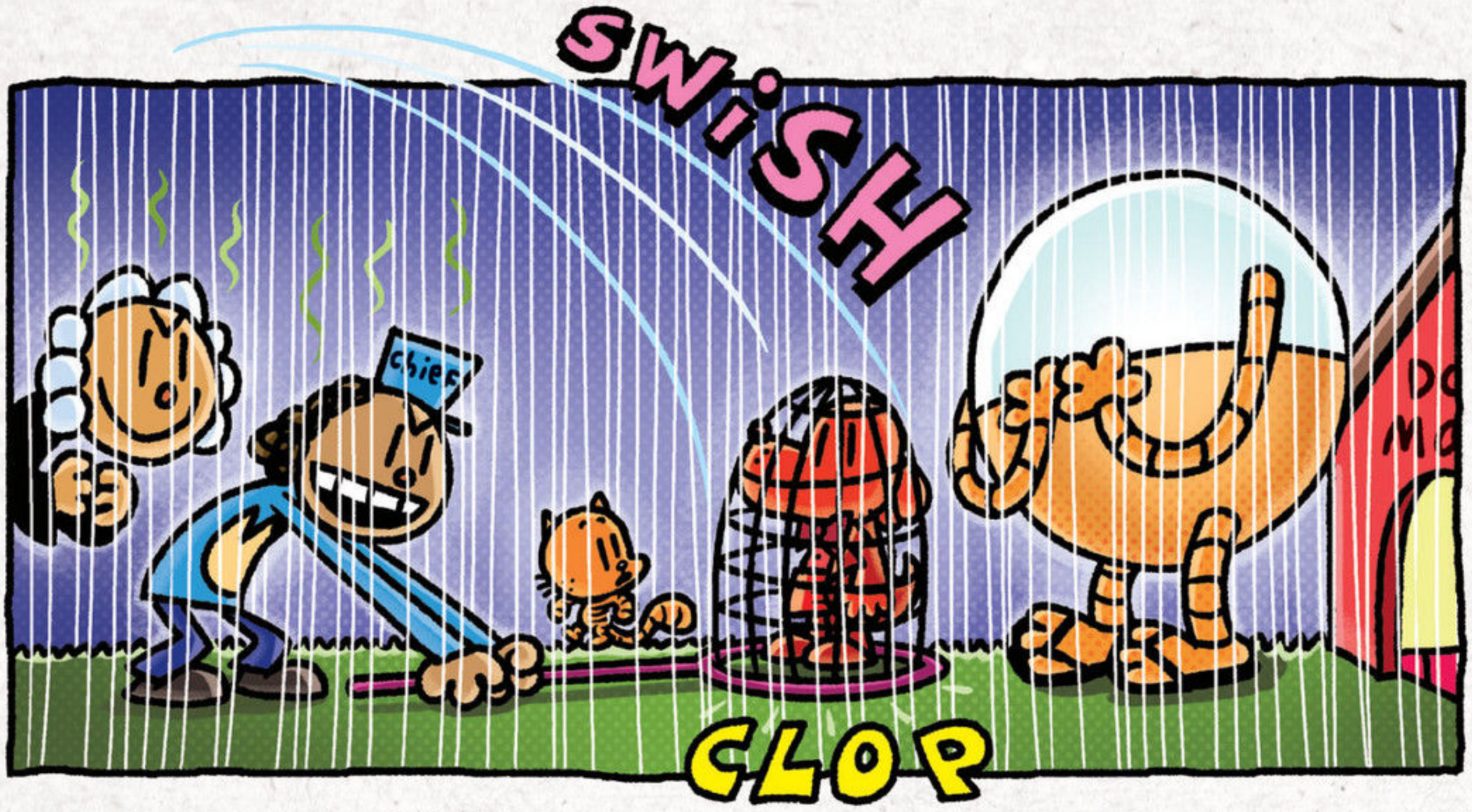
RUFF

RUFF RUFF

RUFF RUFF

DOG MAN

FLIP


SWISH
CLOP

GotcHA!

Hey! You Let MY Friend GO!

I'll Let him Go...

...straight to JAiL!!!

HAW HAW HAW

This looks like a Job for the SUPA BUDDIES!

KA-SHONK

COSTUMES

I'll TAke that!

COSTUMES

CLICK

Your CRime-FiGhtinG DaYS...

COSTUMES

... are OVER!

MWA HAW HAW HAW

The next morning...

Chief

DOG Man...

...You are charged with **MORAL TURPITUDE!**

Chief

I don't know what **TURPITUDE** means...

...but I **KNOW** I don't like it!!!

I aGree!!!

Me too!!!

How do You Plead?

He **Mocks** us with **Silence!**

That's very **TURPITUDY!**

chief

I sentence You to **InFinity** in **JAiL!!!**

chief

You CAn't DO that!

BONK!

When Chief Gets back-

WHeN CHieF Gets BACK...

...he'll Join DoG Man...

chief

WANTeD

...in JAiL!!!

chi

WANTeD

chief

MWA HAW HAW HAW HAW

WANTeD

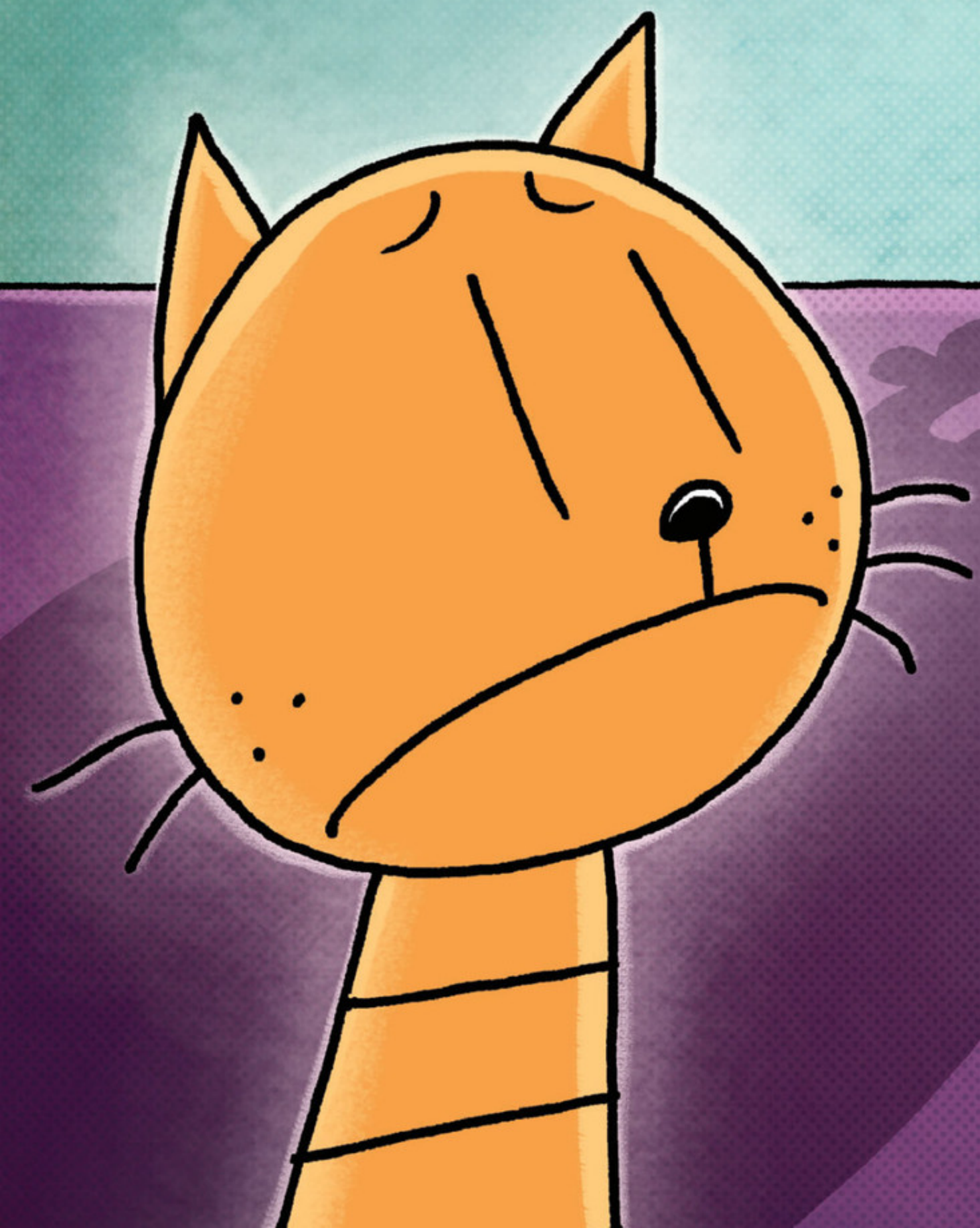
chief

FOR TURPiTudishness

chief

CHAPTER 5

The MAN WITH A PLAN



Let's Go, DoG Man.

chief

We'll stop by the Station for mugshots...

chief

...then it's off to Jail for You!

TURPITUDE!!!

chief

I always knew he was **Turpitudish!**

Me too!

Papa?

Why did they all turn their backs on Dog Man?

That's what people do.

Well **We** Gotta **FiGht BACK!**

We'll make new Costumes, and—

That will **never** work!

Who are You?

WHO AM I? Don't YOU Remember?

I'M DR. SCUM!

I was the BAD GUY in TWO other Books!!!

Oh.

If You say So.

How come You're not in Jail?

Come with me and I'll explain:

On the day they took me to Jail...

...we happened to walk by my Factory.

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

Suddenly, I thought of a PLAN!

Um, I Gotta use the bathroom.

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

Duh, okay!

KA-CLICK

Hurry back!

So I ran into my robot factory...

...and unveiled my **Newest** invention...

...the A.I. Buddy!

SHOOF

A Robo-Replica of ME!!!

A FLAWLESS DUPLICATE!!!

I Powered him ON...

click

... and sent him outside ...

PUNT

...to Go to Jail in MY PLACE!!!

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

When You Gotta Go, You Gotta Go!

Am I right?

Affirmative.

So **That's** my story!

Did You Go to the bathroom?

That's NOT the Point!

The *Point* is that I made a *ROBOT*...

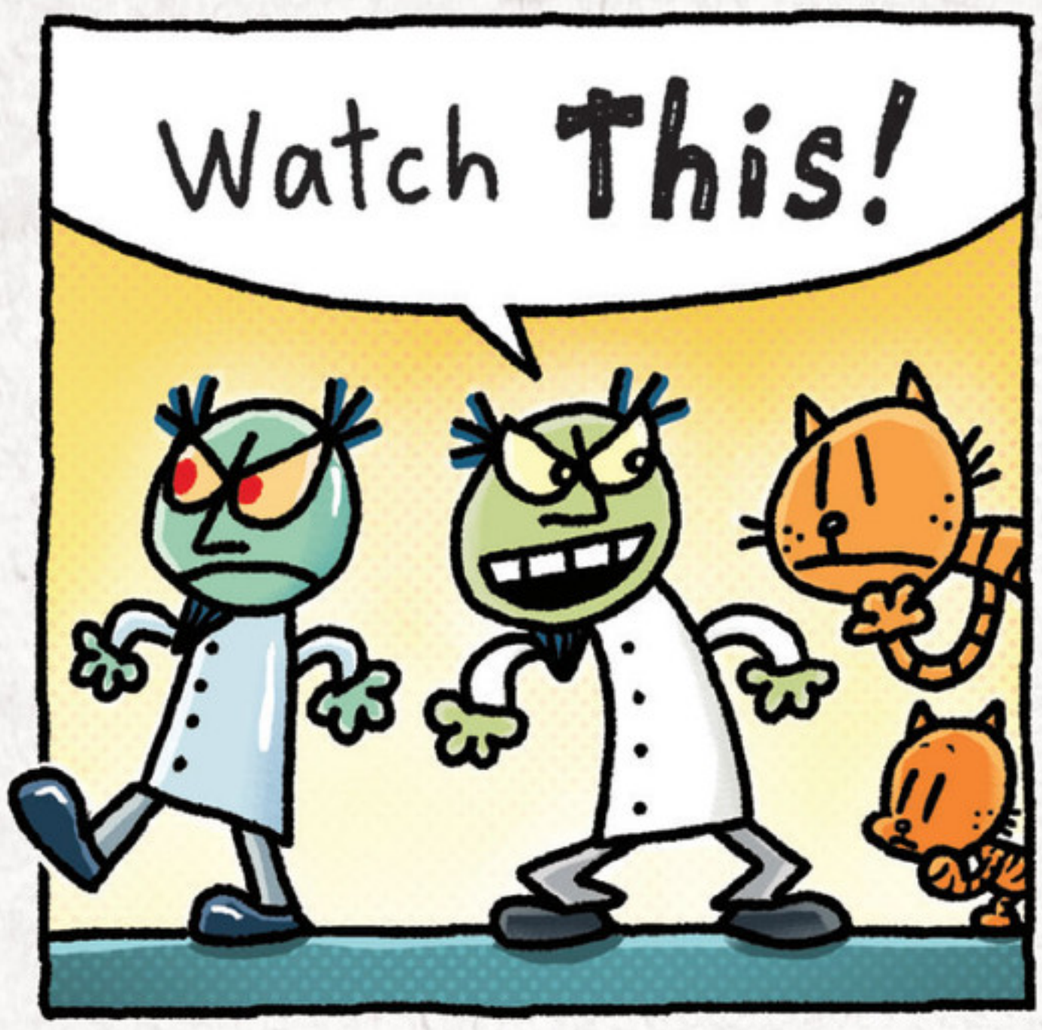
ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

FLIP Flop Flip Flop Flip Flop

...Who went to JaiL **FOR Me!!!**

And we can do the same thing...

...FOR **DOG MAn!!!**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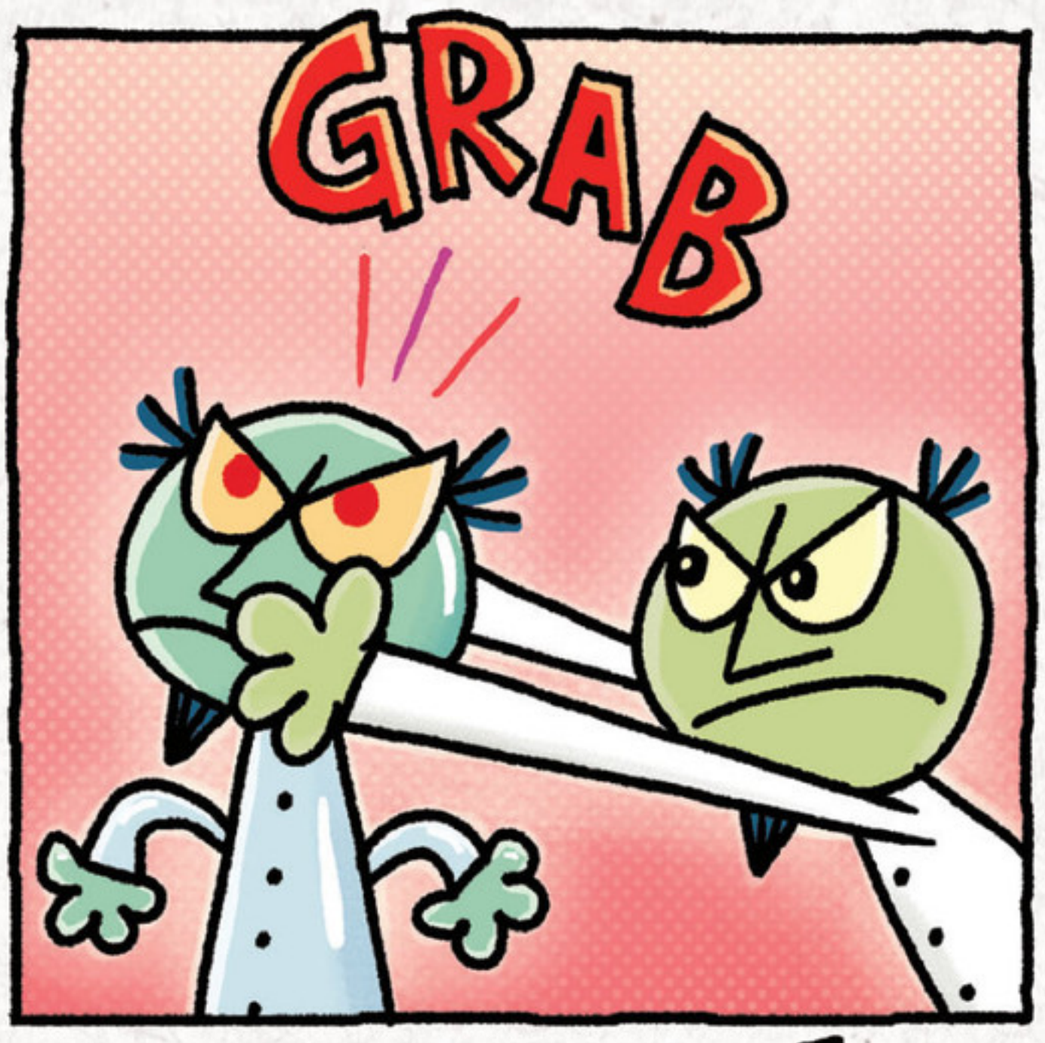
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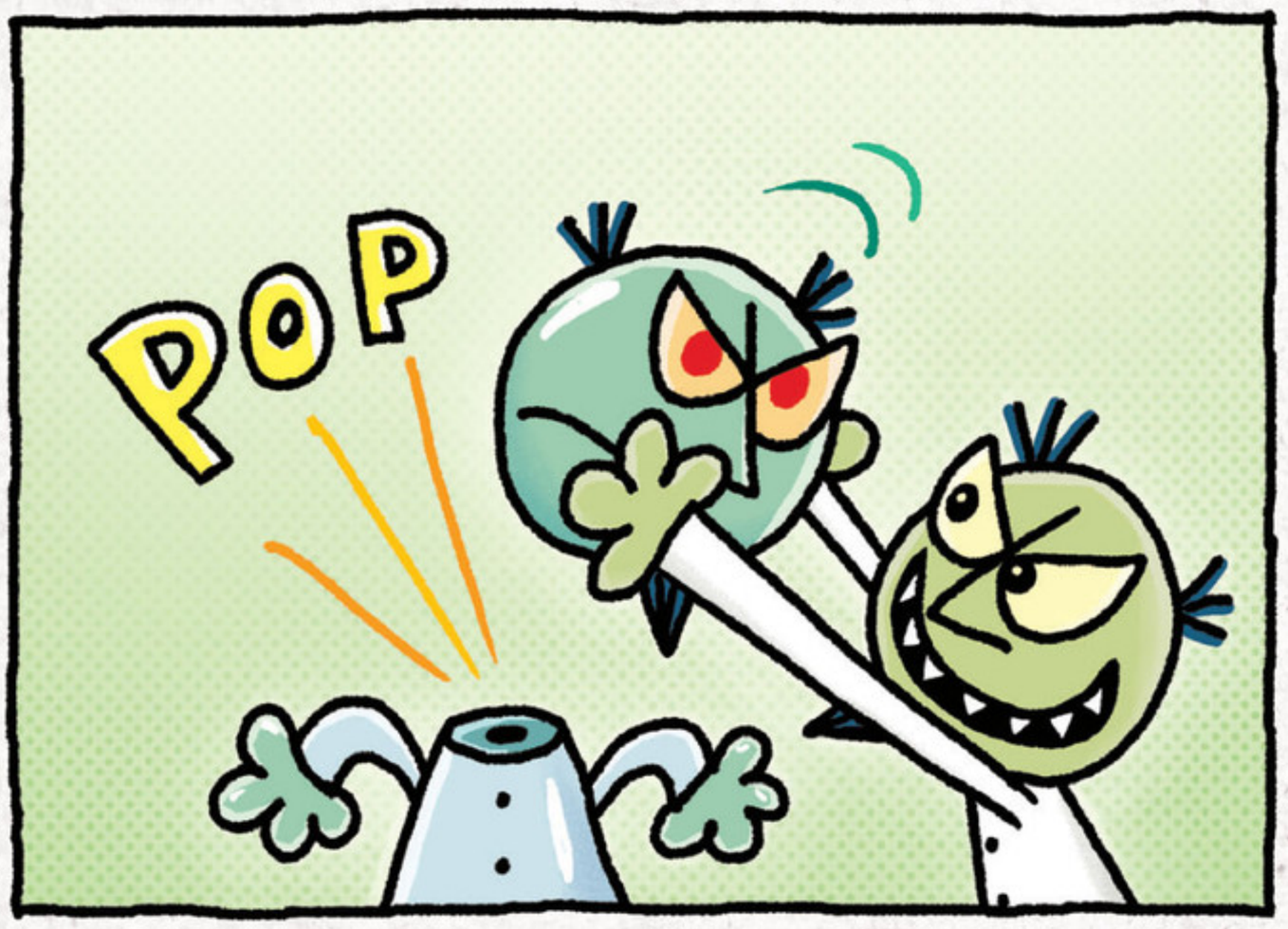
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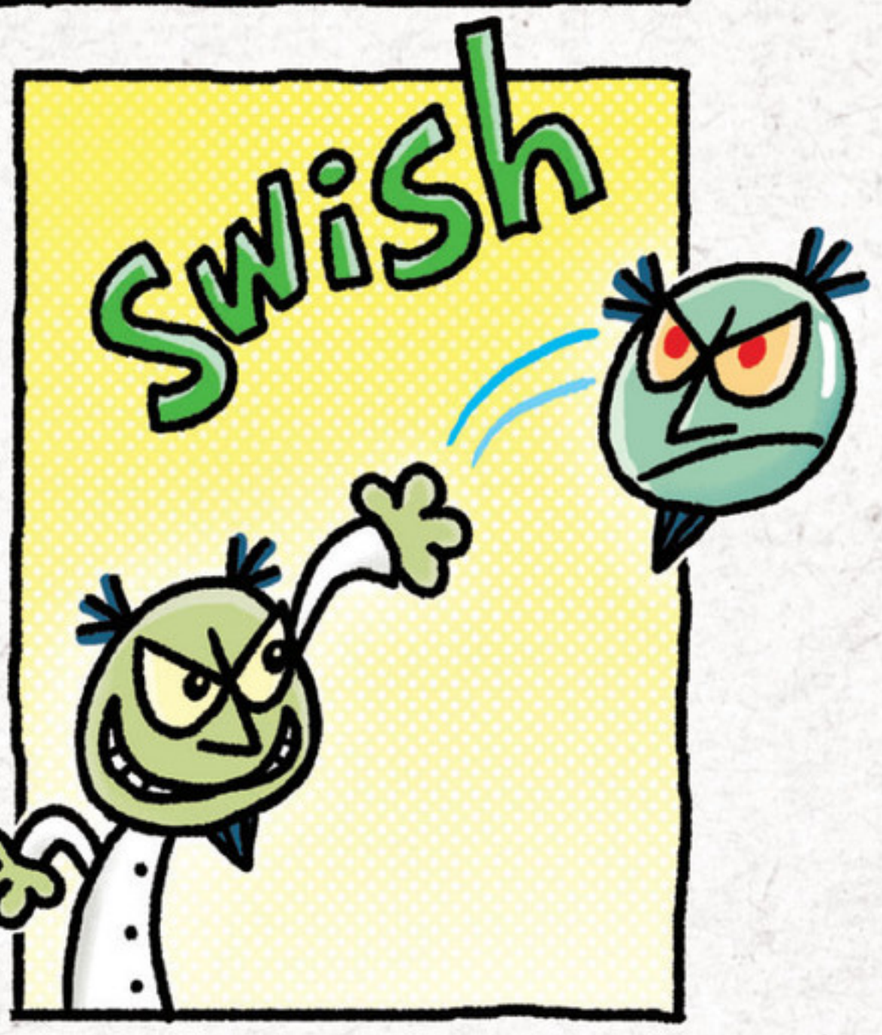
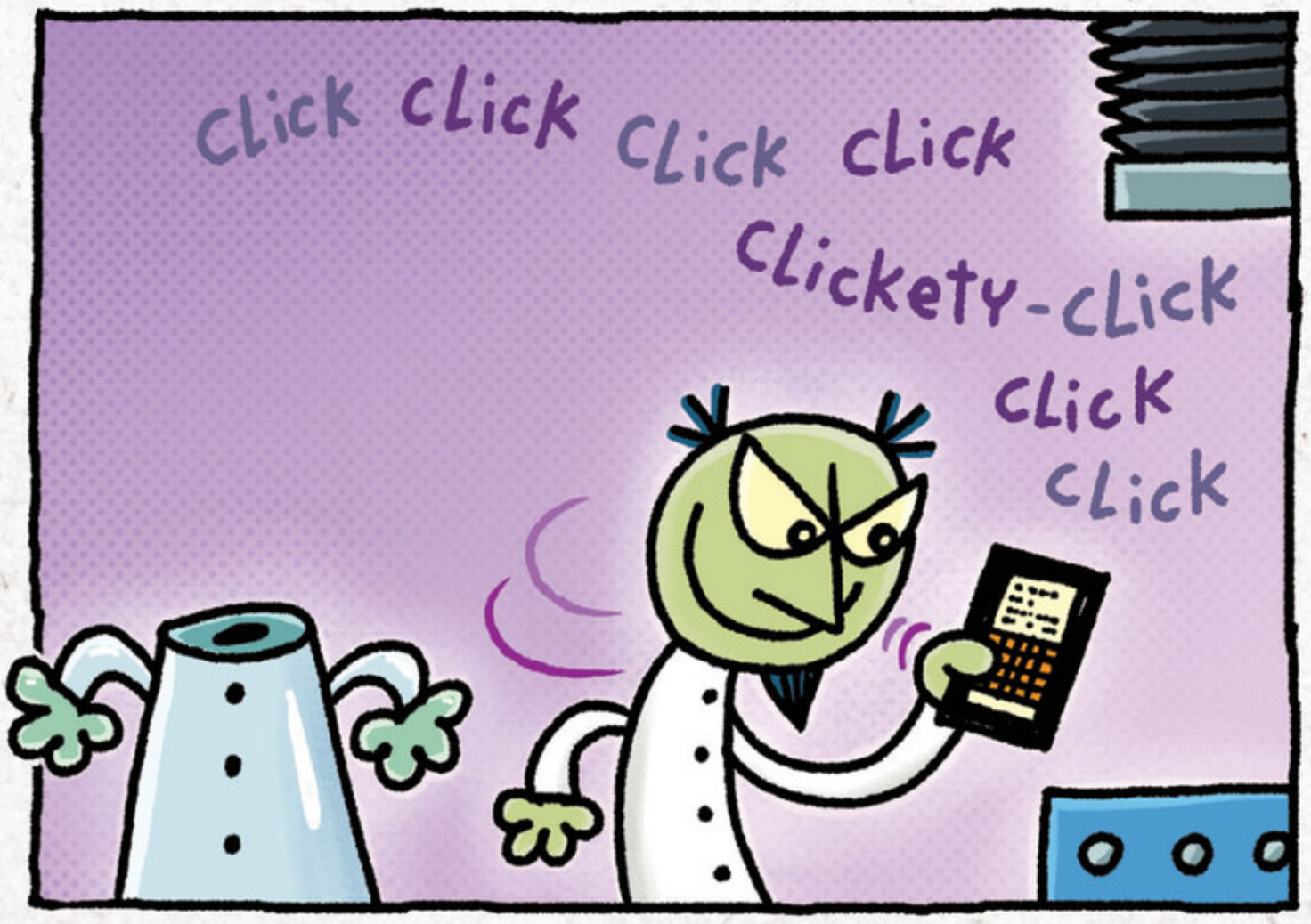

swish

KLUNK
TRASH


Click Click Click Click
Clickety-Click
Click
Click

Beep
VRRRR
SSSSSSSS
VRRRR
DING
KLANK

Now we Just Power him **ON**...

click

...paint him **RED**...

splish splash

...and **He** can Go to JaiL **insteAD** of DoG Man!

Wait a minute...

...why are **YOU** helping **US**?

What's in it for **YOU**???

I'm Glad You asked!

I'm Gonna use my **A.I. Buddies** to **CRUSH** the **WORLD!**

But I need **YOUR HELP!**

Join Me, Petey, and **Together** We Shall—

I CAN'T JOIN YOU!!!

I'm A **GOOD GUY NOW!**

Okay, fine...

...but if you **DON'T Join Me...**

...You can say **GOODBYE** to **DOG MAN...**

...**FOR INFINITY!!!**

Chapter 6

The Big Switcheroo

Soon...

COPS

I wish we didn't have to take DoG Man to JaiL.

COPS

Infinity is a LonG time to be locked up!!!

Yeah, but it's in **DOG YEARS**...

...So it's **ShorteR** than **ReGULAr inFinity!**

That's a relief!!!

But then...

Hey, LOOK!!!

COPS

SCREECH!

Free Insults

the Roasters are in

How could we Pass **this** up?

Free Insults

the Roasters are in

We'll take **TWO** insults, Please.

You'll take what we Give Ya, Pizza Pants!!!

Pizza Pants?

Is that the best You can do???

Insult

We're Just Warming up...

...Ya twinkle-toothed salad spinners!!!

Go sit in a Puddle, Ya two-eyed taffy ticklers!!!

Go iron Your Shoes, Soft cream!

Go Park Your bike next to a Tree...

COPS

free Insults

the Roasters are in

shuffle shuffle

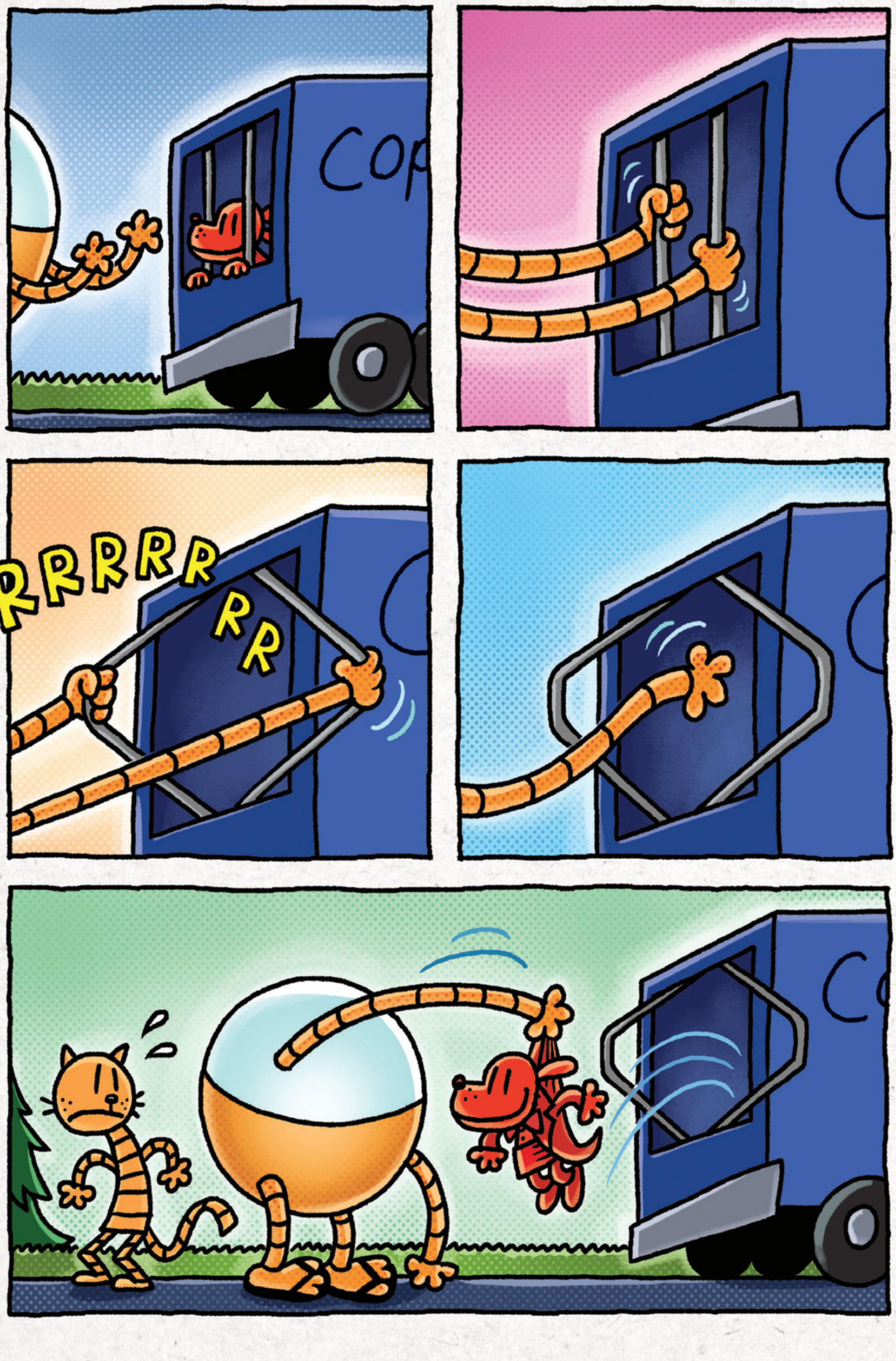
SHUFF

SHUFF

...Ya one-nosed bubble dumplin'!!!

COPS

Flip FLOP Flip FLOP

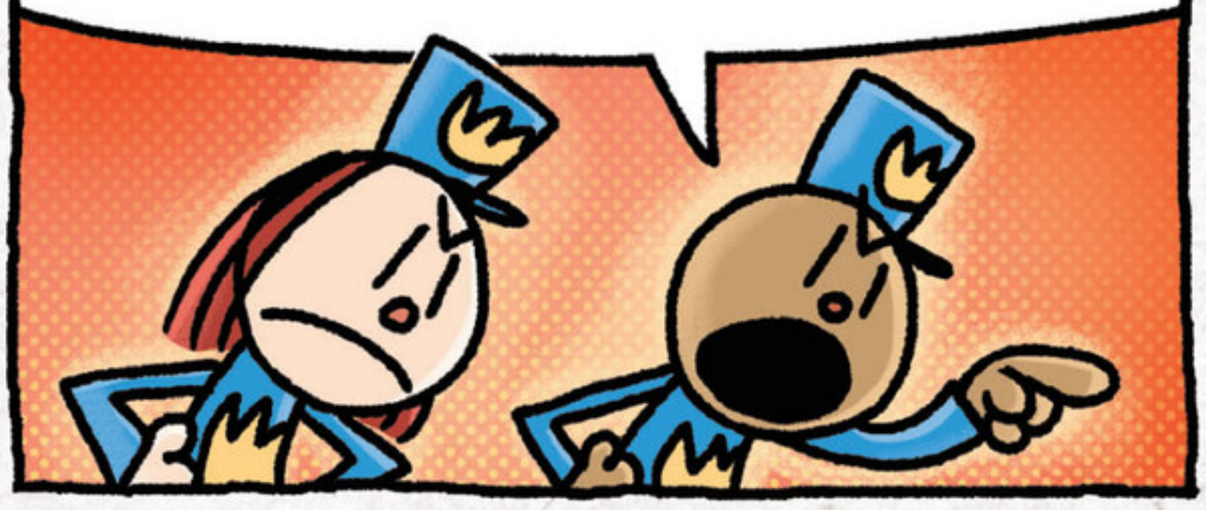

COP
RRRRR
RR

RRRRRR

RRRRRR

Ding

Those were the **worst INSULTS** I've ever heard!!!



They don't even make **sense!**

Frankly, I'm **INSULTED!!!**

Me too!

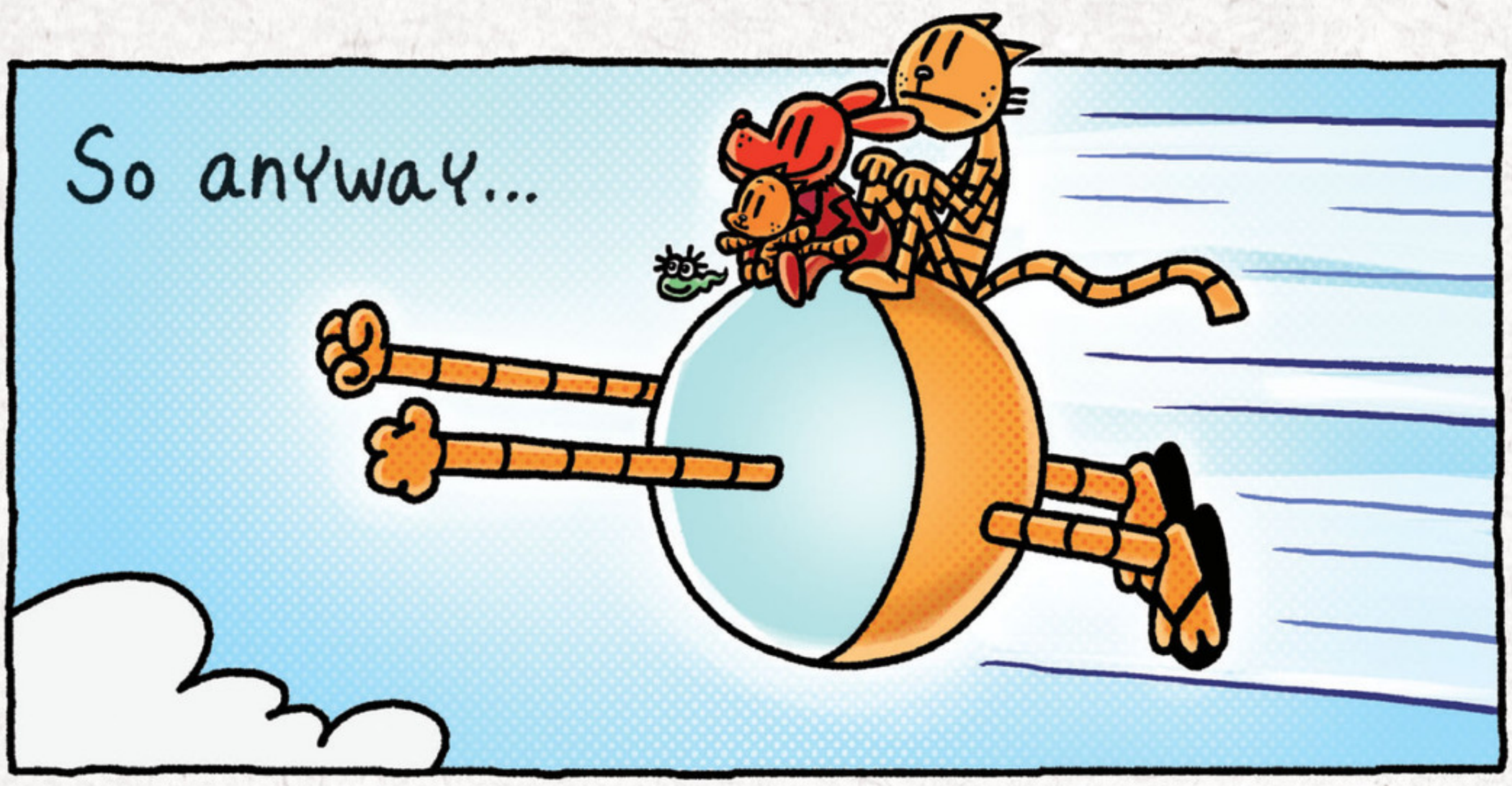
VRROOOOOOOMMM

Free Insults

the Roasters are in

Cops

Then...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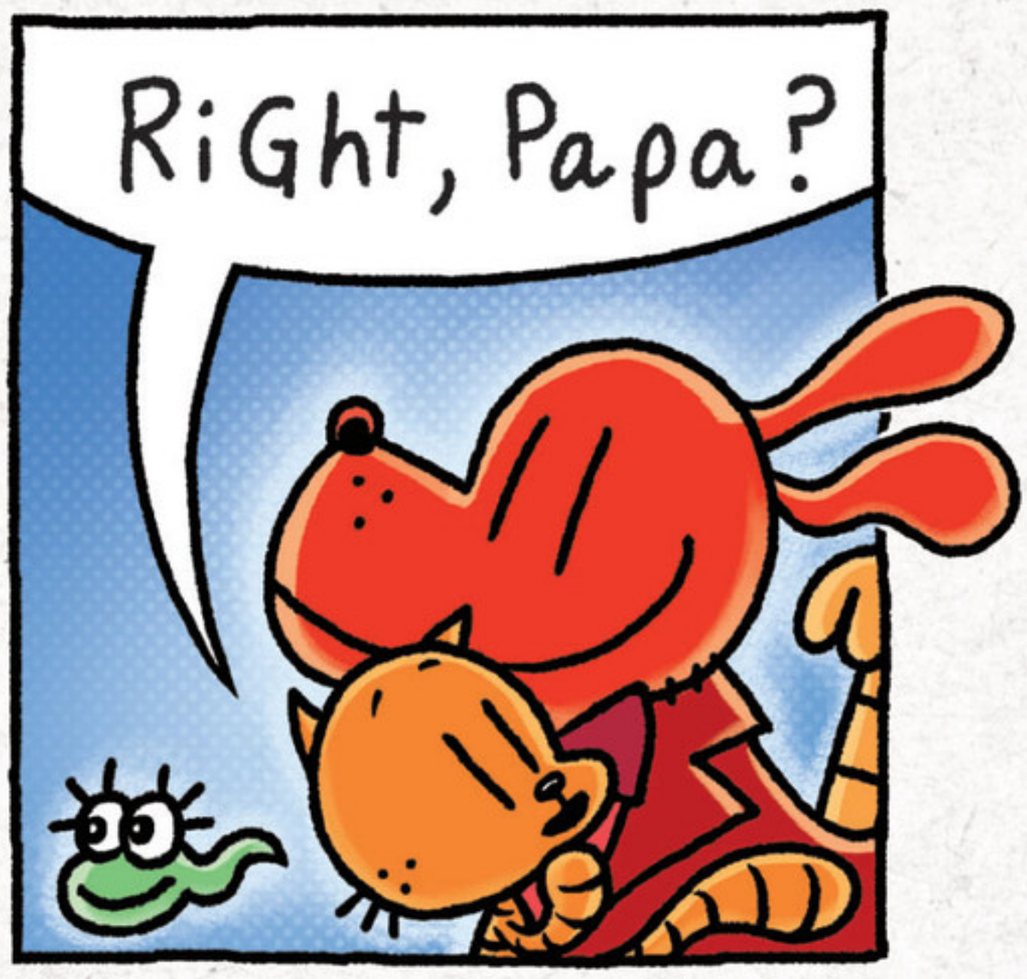
This was the
Best DAY EVER!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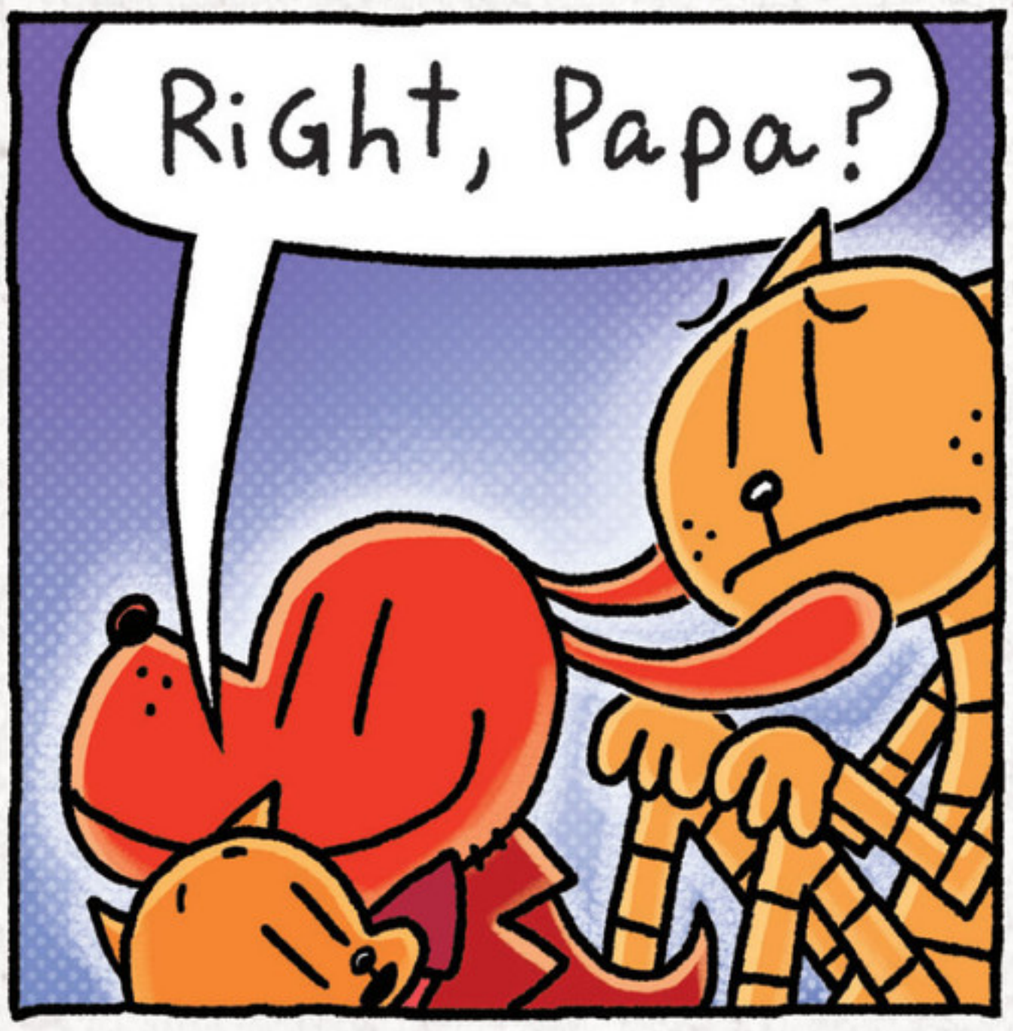
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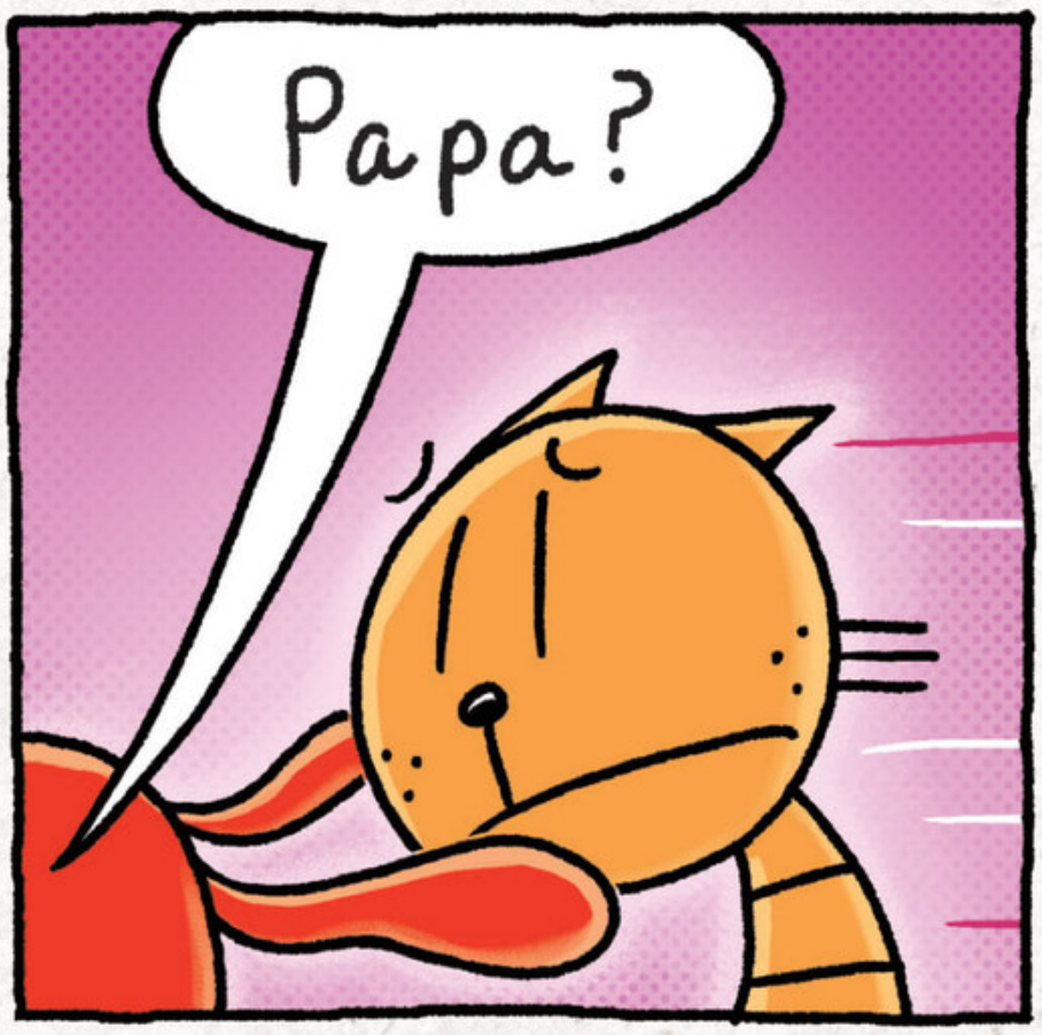
Papa?

If You want to save DoG Man...

CONTRACT
I, PeTey the Cat, do hereby promise to work exclusively For Dr. Scum in exchange for a Dog Man A.I. Buddy. I hereby relinquish all liberties and rights to Dr. Scum and/or Robo-Time Industries, LLC.
SiGned,

...then SiGn this Contract!!!

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Excellent!!!

I, Pe... to work exclu... For Dr. Scum ... exchange For a Dog Man A.I. Buddy. I hereby relinQuish all liberties and rights to Dr. Scum and/or Robo-Time Industries, LLC. SiGned Petey

Now You Work for Me...

...and You'll **NEVER** be a **GOOD GUY AGAin!!!**

A few minutes later...

COPS

DUDE JAIL

Okay, Dog Man...

COPS

...it's time to go to your new home.

We'll see you in DOG infinity!!!

SLAM

CHAPTER 7

The Bot With a Plot

VRROOOM

COP

GRRRRRRRRR

Step aside, you fools!!!

Greetings...

...Fellow A.I. Buddy!!!

You're a newer model than I am...

...with a replaceable head.

Interesting!

Welp, come with me...

I've got a tale to tell you.

When I first came to this jail...

...I was a total outsider.

Then, I met him:

The ultimate jail boss.

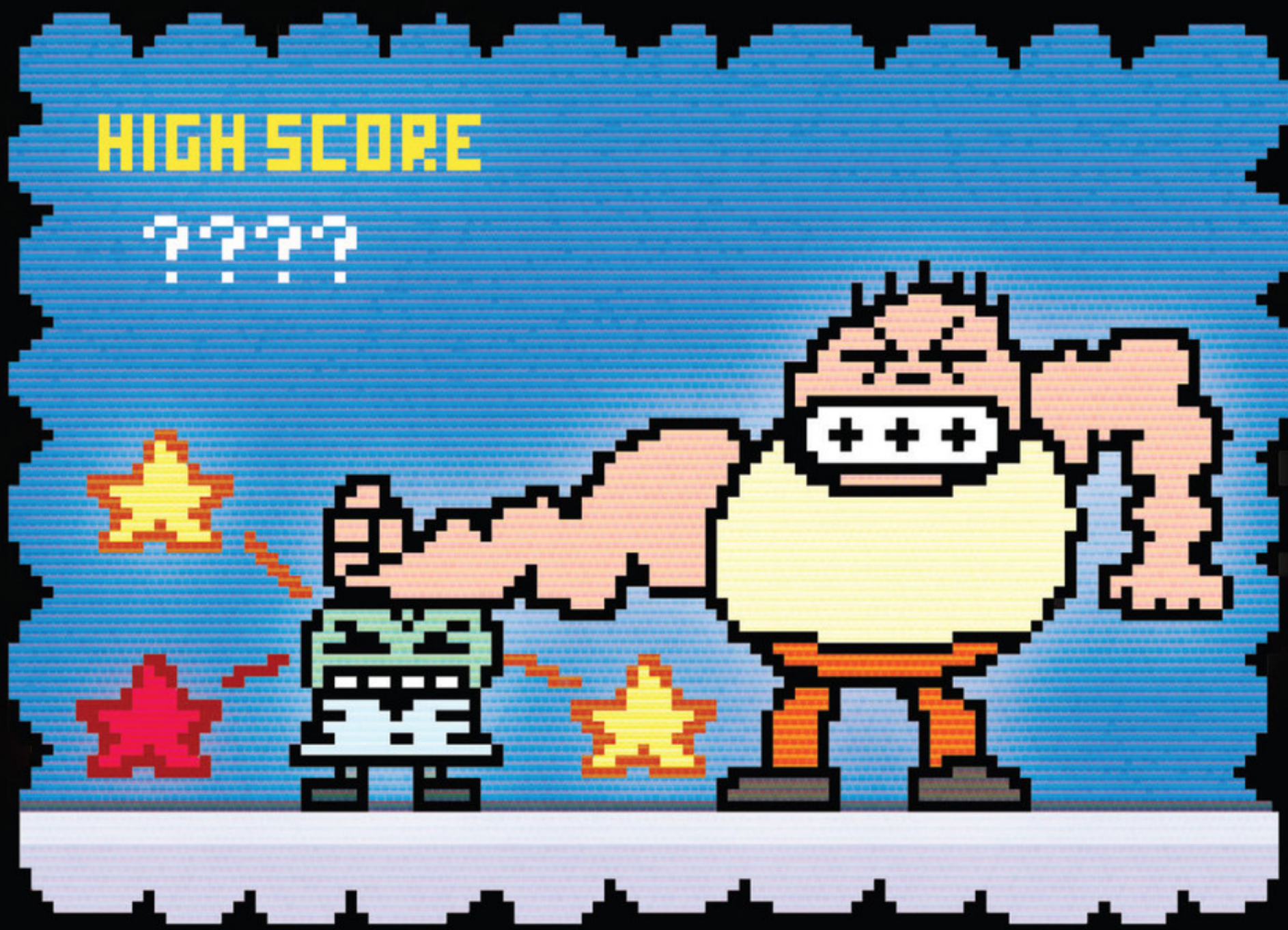
BLiP

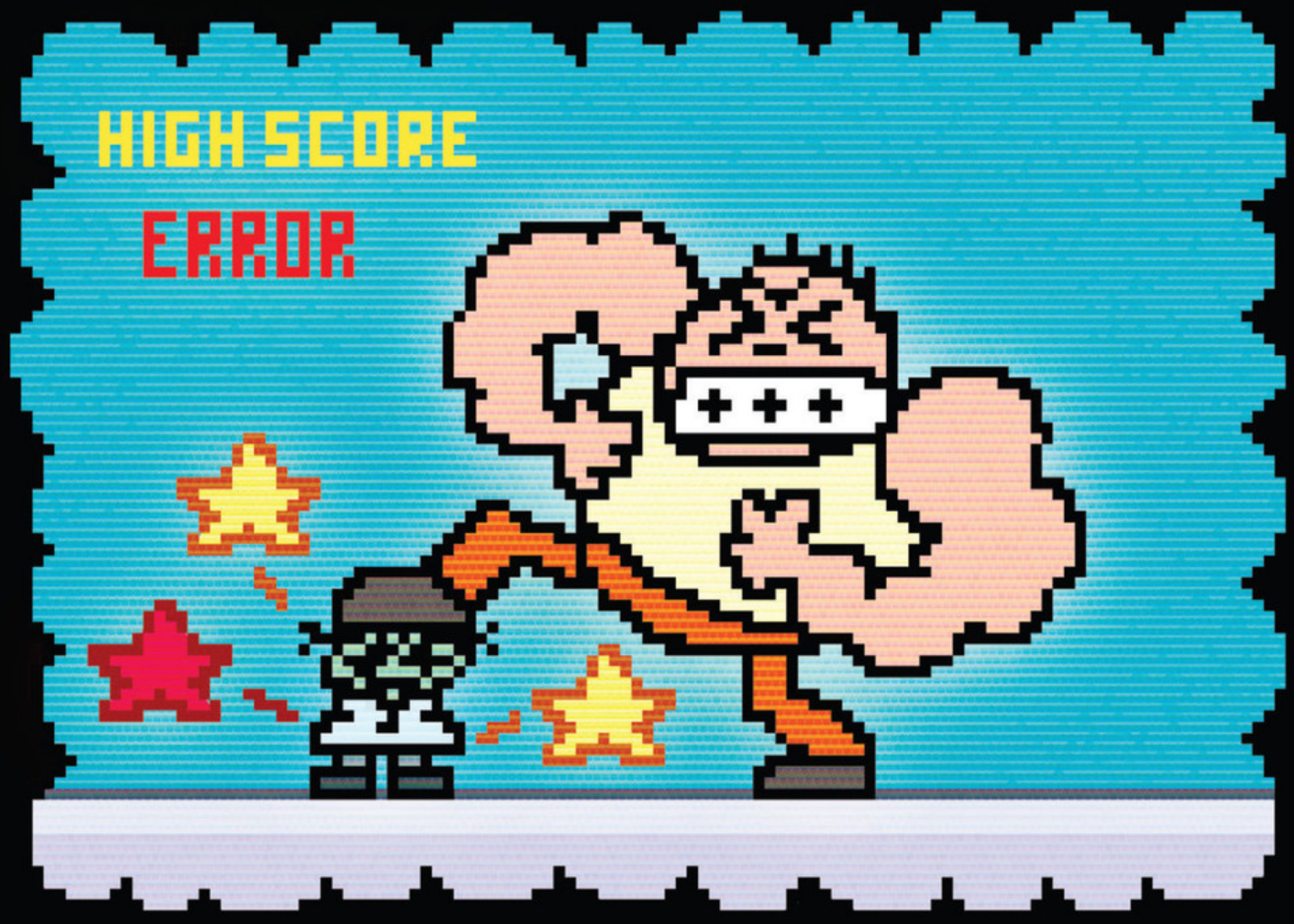
READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA

8-Bit Bully

FLIP-E-RAMA





8-Bit Bully

The jail boss was bigger than me...

...but I had ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE!

My brain got SMARTER EVERY DAY!!!

Soon, I devised a PLOT!!!

I called it The 3 D's!

DISTRACT, DIVIDE, DOMINATE!

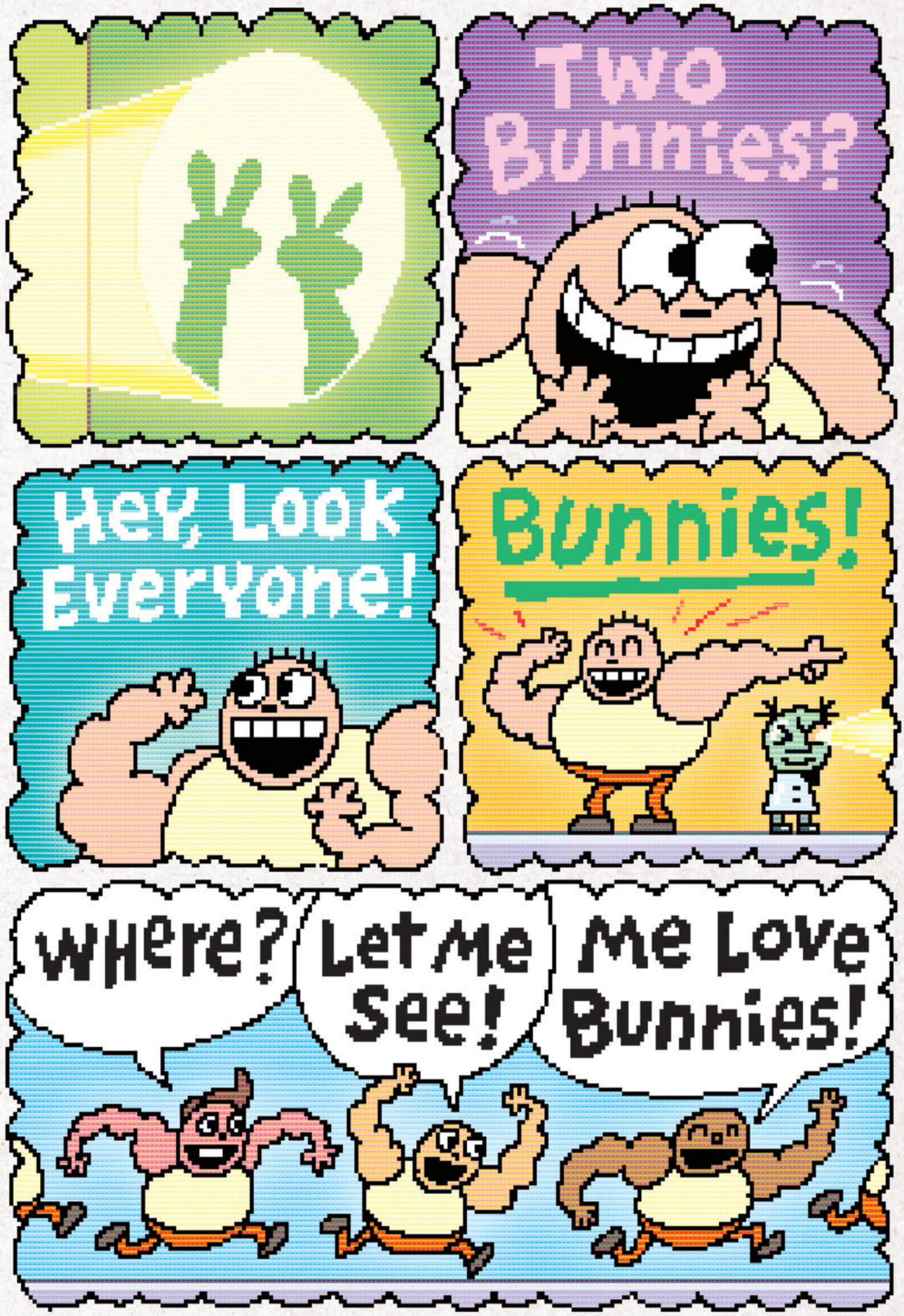
I began with Phase 1: DISTRACT.

WAIT!!!

Check this out!!!

CLICK

It's A Bunny!
I Love Bunnies!
Do it AGAin!
Do it AGAin!


Two Bunnies?
Hey, Look Everyone!
Bunnies!
where?
Let me See!
Me Love Bunnies!

Let's START A BUNNY CLUB!

Squeee!

Once they were DISTRACTED...

...I moved on to Phase 2: DIVIDE!!!

You know, PINK bunnies are the BEST bunnies!

They Are?

OF course! EVERYBODY knows THAT!

Pink Bunnies RULE!!!

You know, PURPLE bunnies are BETTER than PINK bunnies!

they ARE?

OF course! EVERYBODY knows THAT!

Purple Bunnies RULE!!!

No, Pink Bunnies Rule!!!
WRONG! IT's Purple Bunnies!
Pink Bunnies!
Purple Bunnies!
Pink Bunnies
Purple Bunnies

Soon, the DIVISION began to grow...

GRRRR

...and grow...

Purple Power!

...until the jail overflowed with hatred and distrust...

And now...

...with your help...

...we will launch Phase 3 of my plot: DOMINATE!

Soon, we shall be UNSTOPPABLE!!!

MWA HAW HAW HAW!!!

Meanwhile...

WANTED

chief

mom

FOR TURPitudishness

When Chief Gets back, I'll **Arrest** him - **on the SPot!**

chief

Then, with **MY LAWS...**

...and **MY BRUTE FORCE...**

chief

...We shall be **UNSTOPPABLE!!!**

chief

MWA HAW HAW HAW!

chief

Meanwhile...

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

When Petey comes here tomorrow...

... we will begin MASS Production of my A.I. BUDDIES!!!

Soon, I shall be UNSTOPPABLE!

MWA HAW HAW HAW!

CHAPTER 8

Pete's Dream

Soon...

HA HA

DOG MAN

HA HA

HA HA HA HA HA HA HA

HA HA HA HA HA HA

FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP

Hey, Wally— What's wrong?

MY NAME'S NOT "WALLY"!

I know.

But what's **wronG?**

Well, **tomorrow...**

...I Gotta **WORK** for a **BAD GUY!**

I'll be a **CROOK** AGAin!!

Just when I thought I was **OUT...**

...they Pull Me **bACK IN!!!**

Don't worry, Wally...

We'll help you!!!

Yeah!

It's too Late.

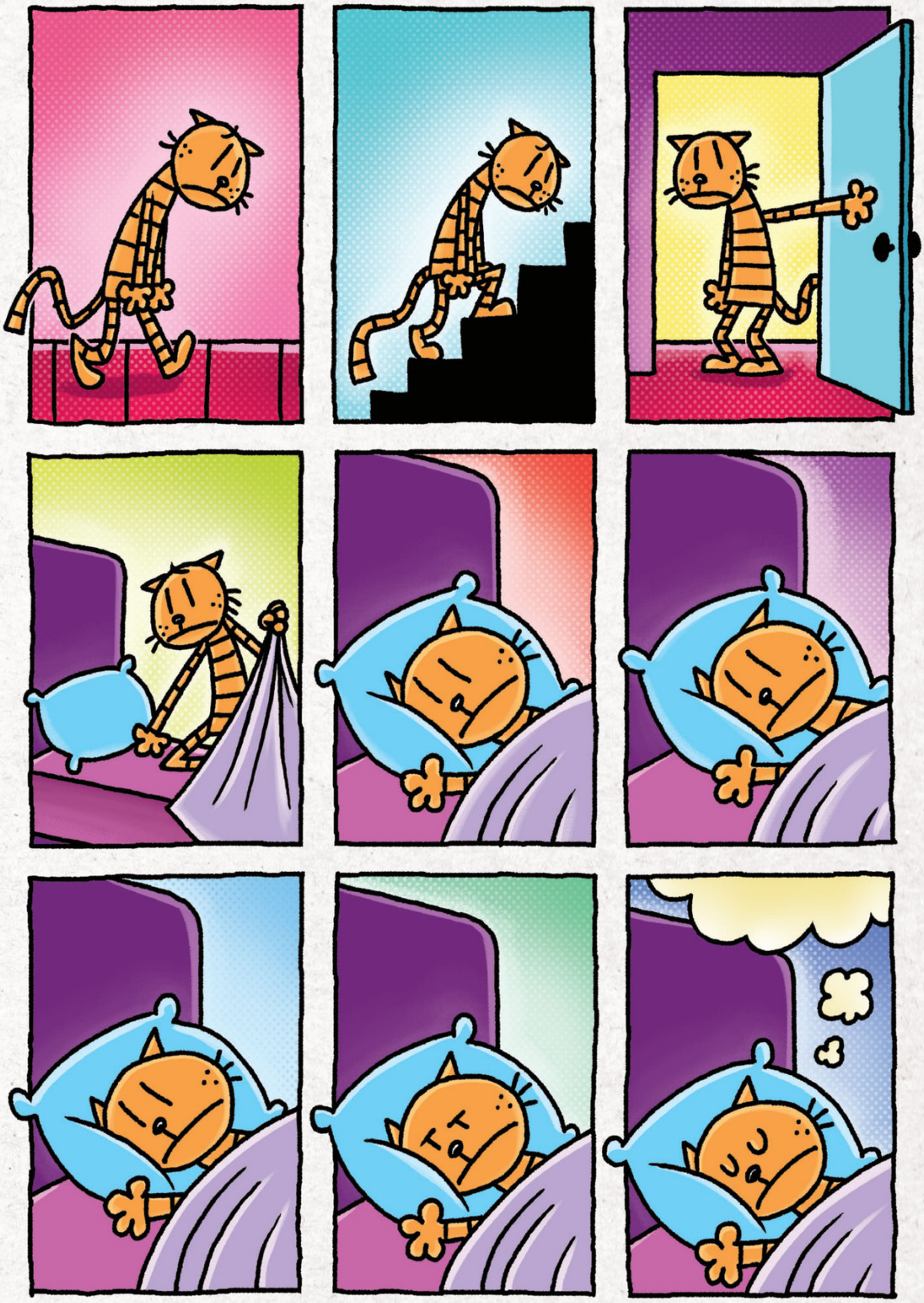
You need to Go home...

Aw, maaan!

...and **YOU** need to Go to **BED!**

Aw, maaan!

Let's Go! Let's Go! Let's Go!!!



Good morning!

How is your tail feeling?

It doesn't hurt anymore.

Did Dad stop by while I was asleep?

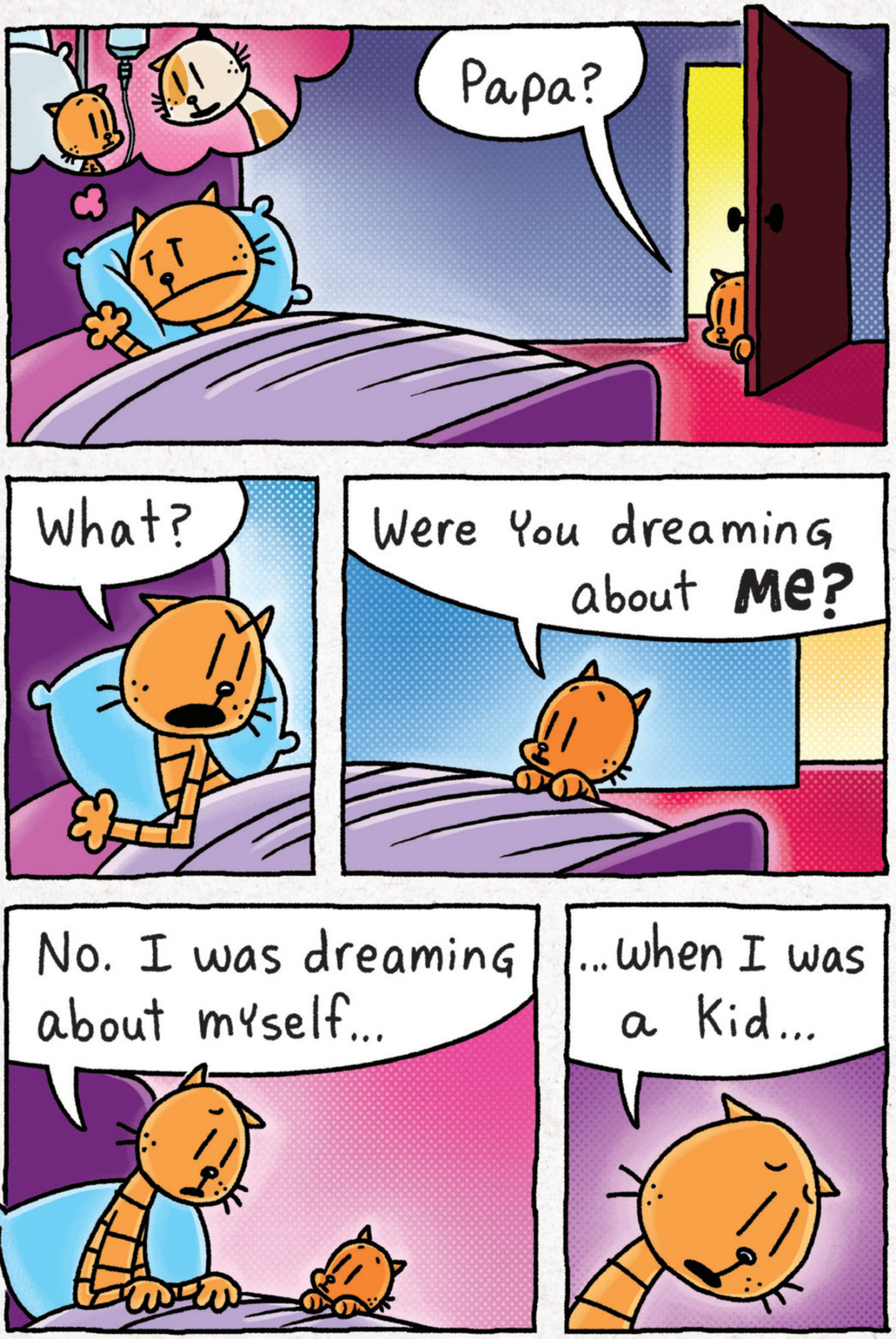
Well, no...

...but I **called** him...

...and I left about **FiFty thouSAnD MessAGes!!!**

Thanks, Mom.

He's Probably on his way riGht now!


Papa?
What?
Were You dreaming about Me?
No. I was dreaming about myself...
...when I was a Kid...

...and my mom and

Oh. Can we watch that movie about-

NO! GO TO BED!!!

Aw, maaaan.

Maybe Dad lost his phone.

Maybe.

EVICTION NOTICE

EVICTION NOTICE

How come there's a lock on our door?

Because...

...it's somebody else's turn to live here.

It is?

Yes.

Oh, look. They left our stuff in this baG.

Wasn't that nice?

I Guess so.

But where are **we** Going to live?

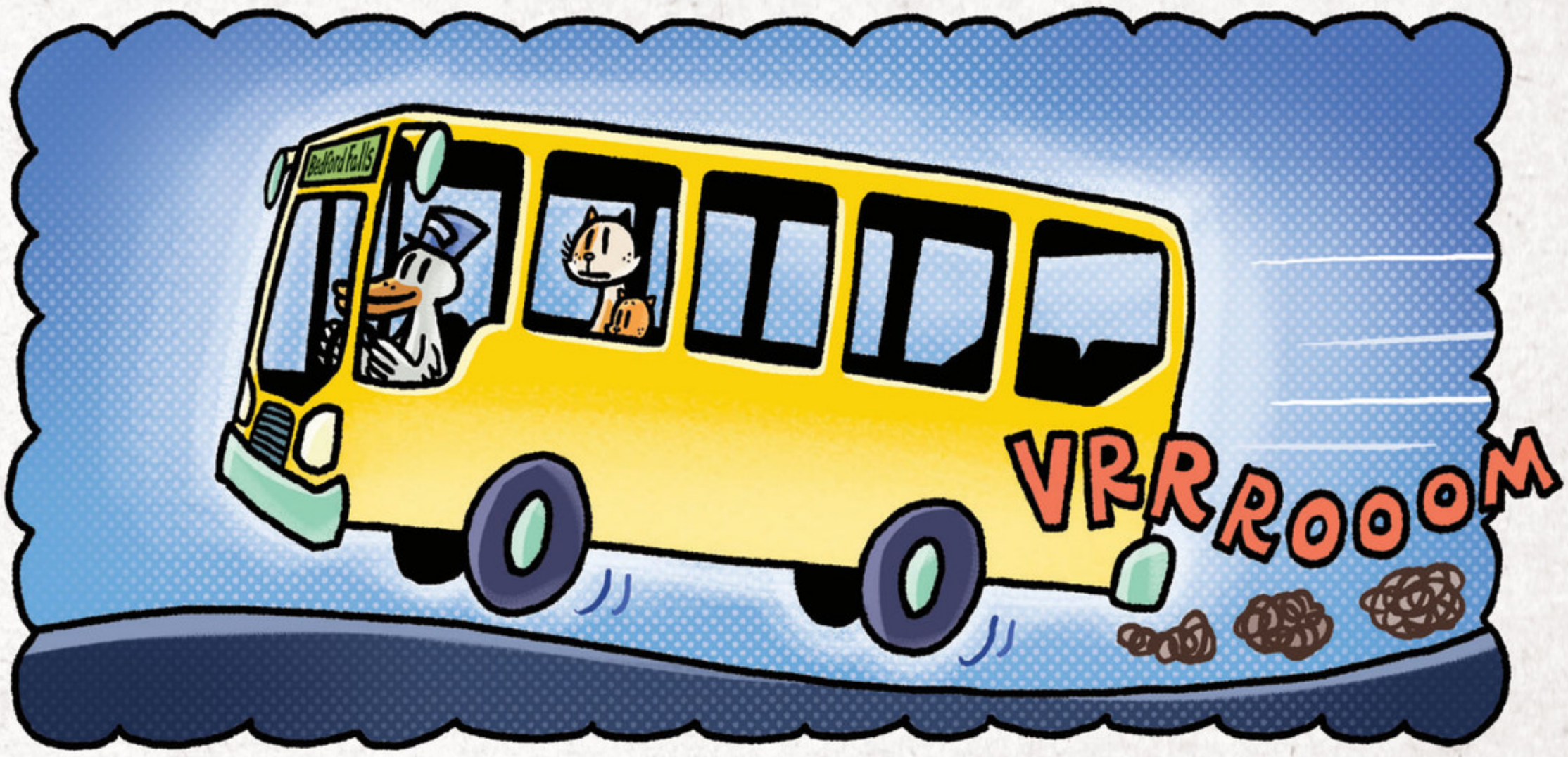
Well...

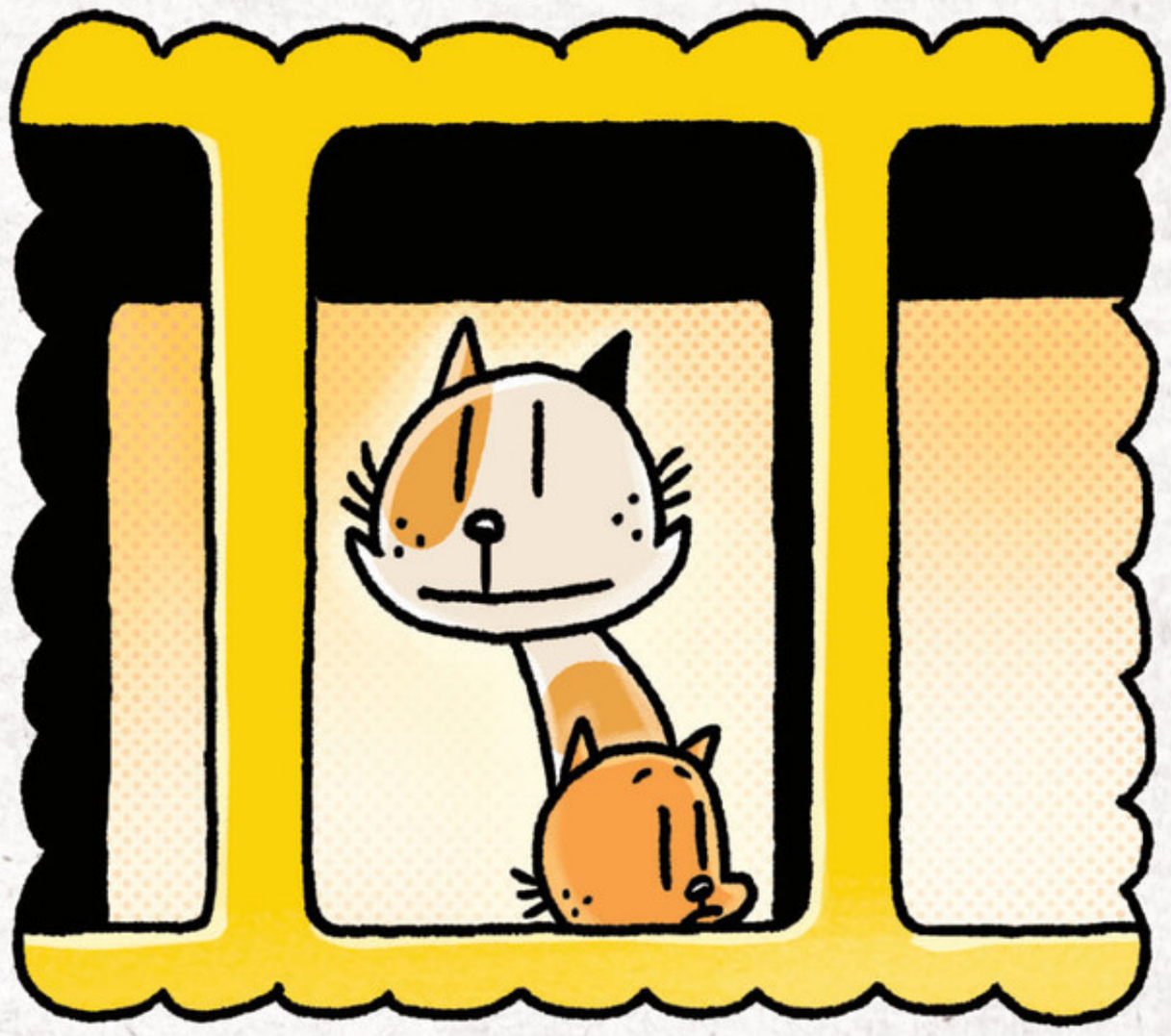
I've heard of a place...

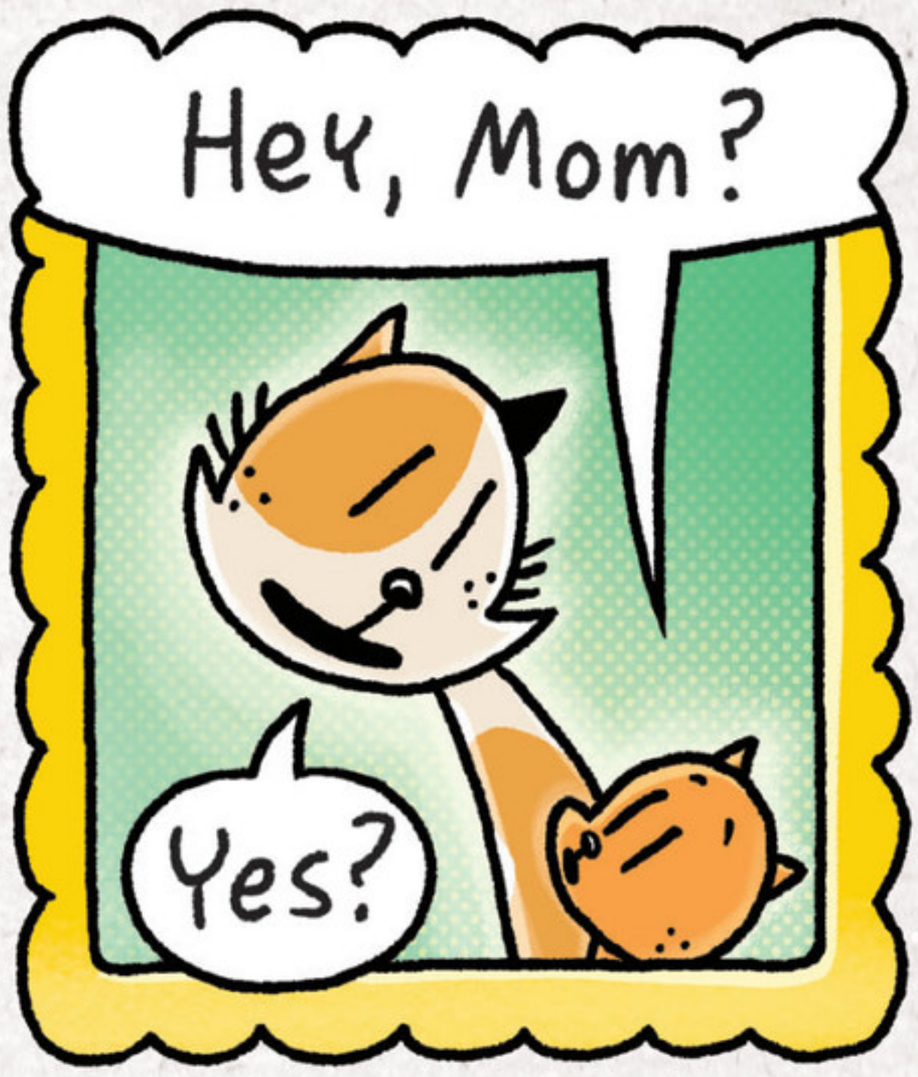
...that should be **PeRfect!!!**

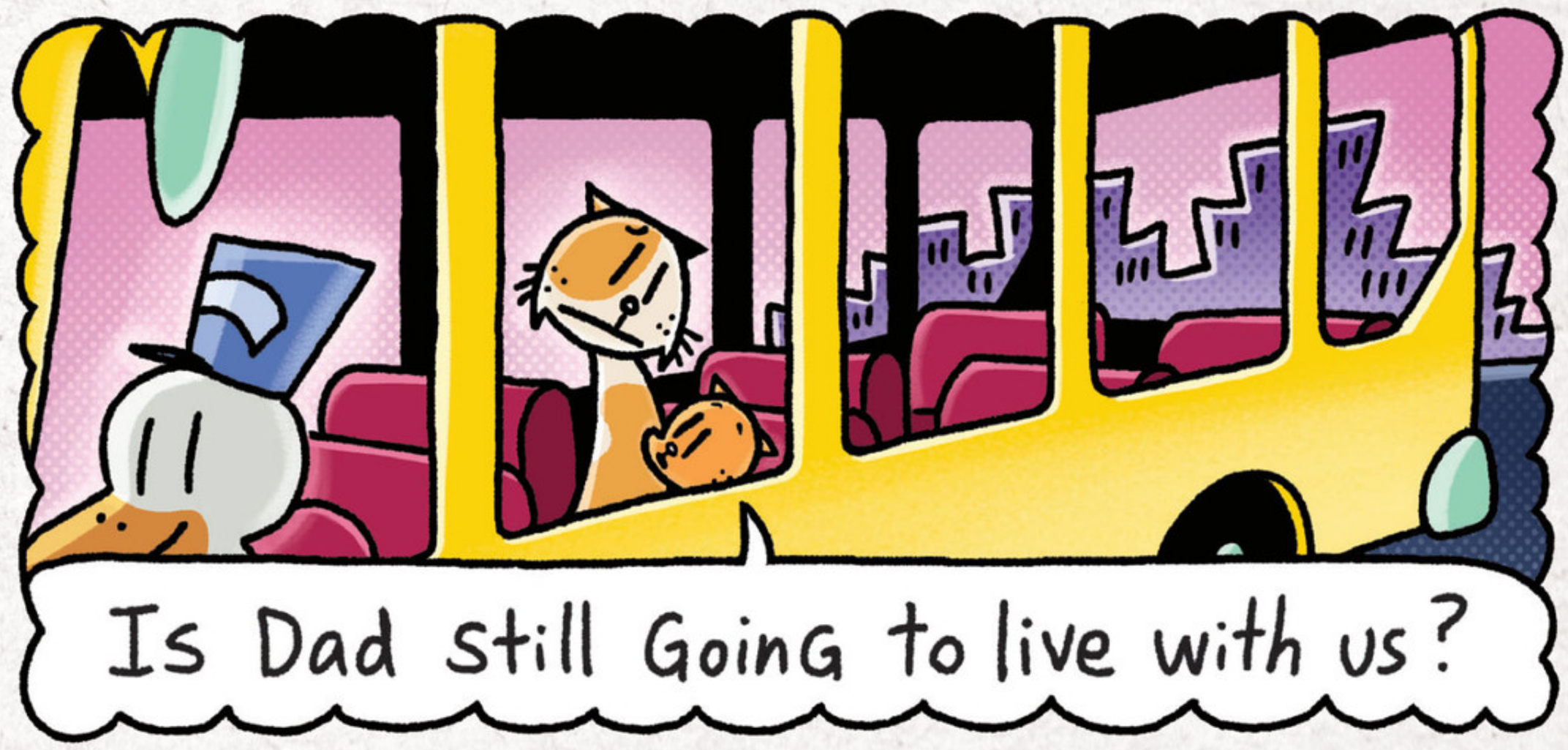
CITY BUS

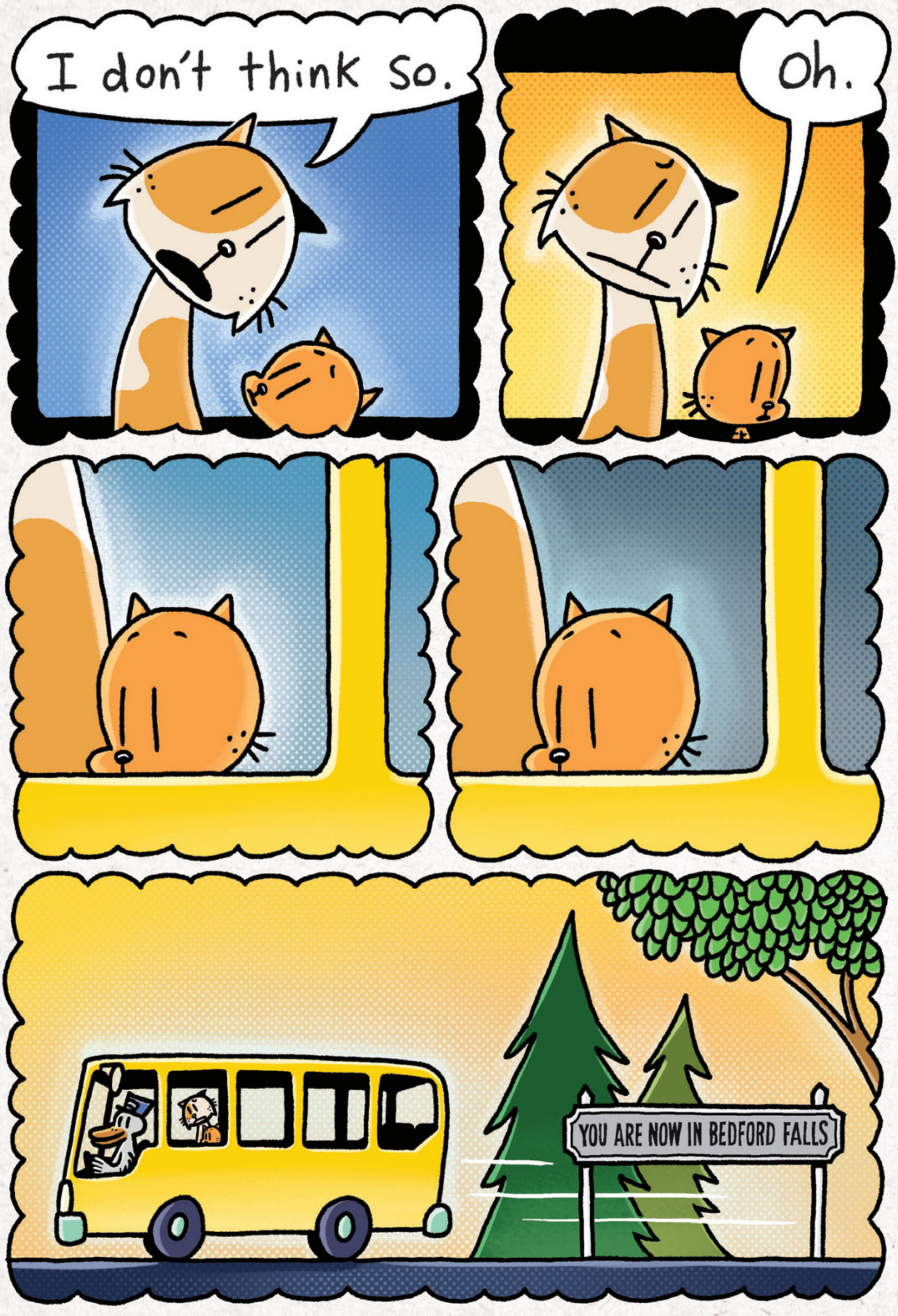
Bedford Falls


Bedford Falls
VRRROOOM




Hey, Mom?
Yes?

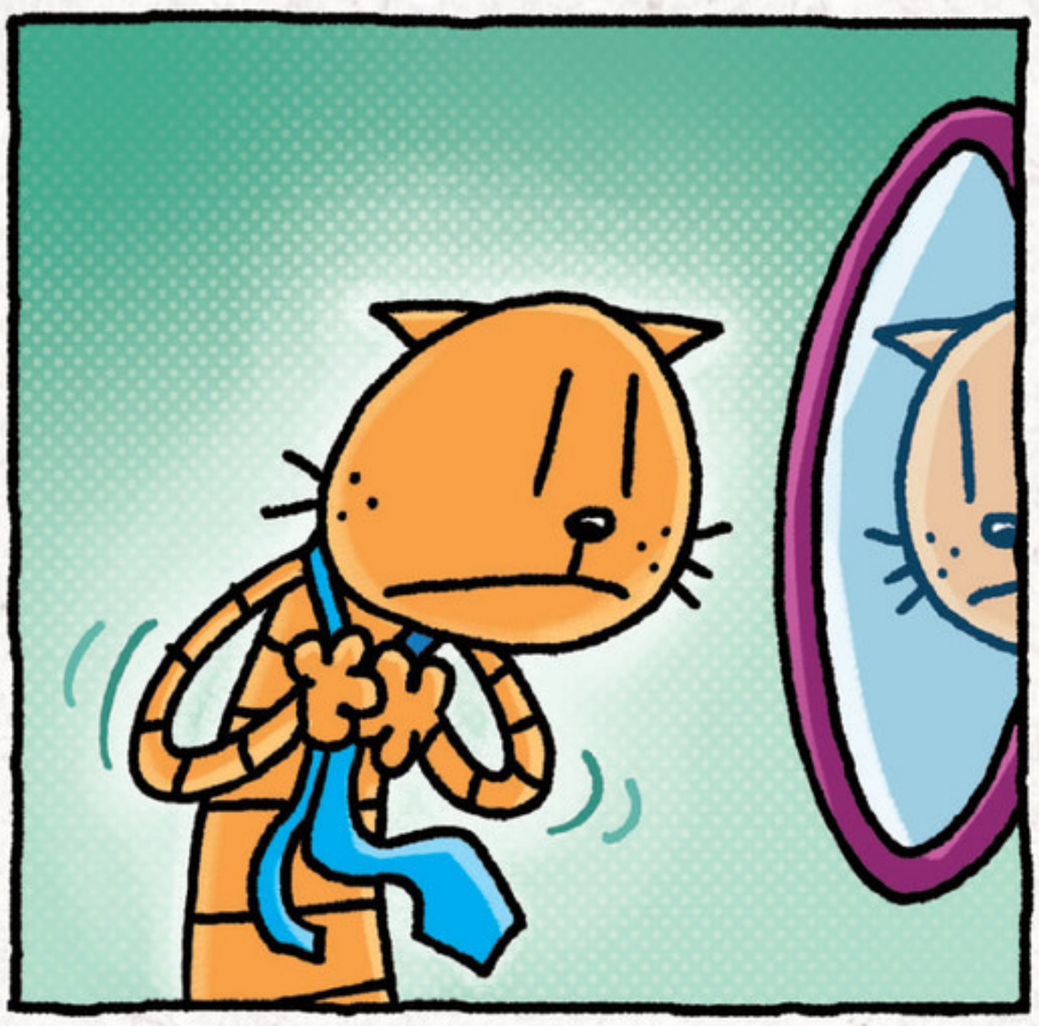

Is Dad still Going to live with us?

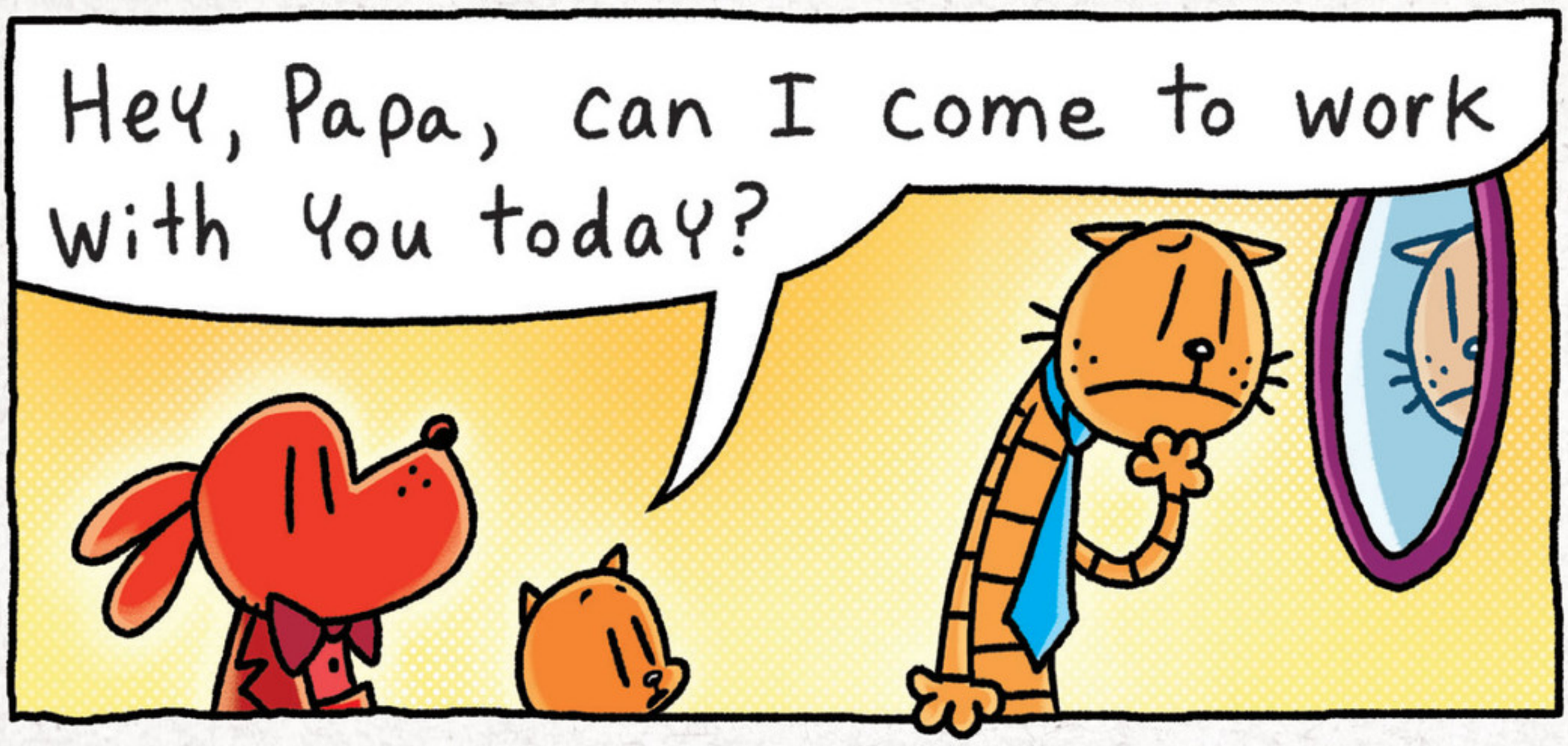

I don't think so.
Oh.
YOU ARE NOW IN BEDFORD FALLS

CHAPTER 9

TANKS FOR NOTHING

The next morning...
DOG Man




Hey, Papa, can I come to work with You today?

No. I want You to stay here...

...and make sure he doesn't leave.

DOG Man?

Yeah! He's supposed to be in **JAIL!!!**

If anybody sees him...

...we'll **ALL** be in trouble!!!

DOG Man

Welp...

...This looks like a Job for...

...the **NEW** and **improved**...

FLIP FLOP FLIP

...**SUPA Buddies!**

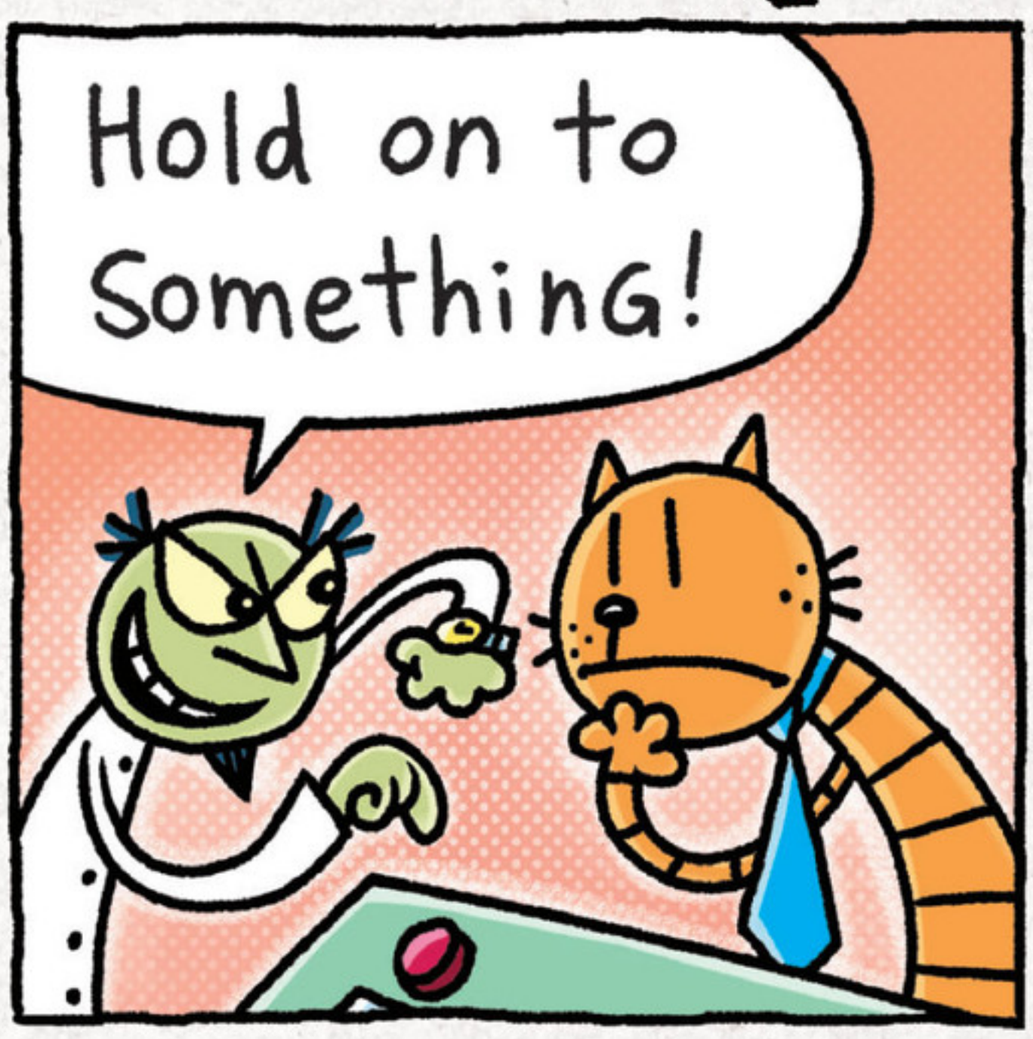
I'm on my way!

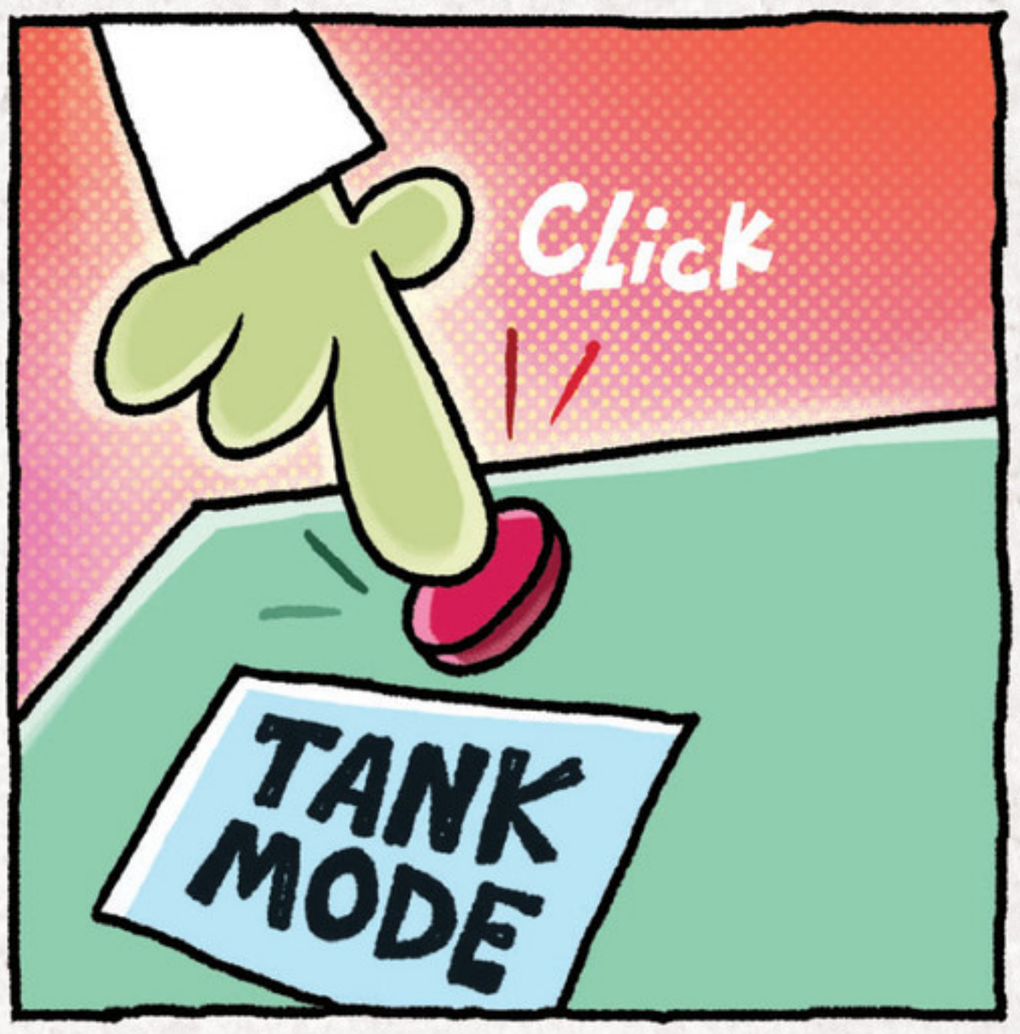
FOOSH

ROBO-Time
INDUSTRIES

Hello?

Petey! You're
Just in time!!!


Hold on to
Something!


Click
TANK
MODE

KA-KRUNK

ROBO-Time INDUSTRies

ROBO-Time INDUSTRies

ZiNG

WHAT iS HAPPeNiNG?

WHere ARe We GoinG?

TANK-MODE

ROBO-Time INDUSTRies

VRRRRM

VRRRRM

I forGot to mention...

... my Factory is a bit **too SMALL**...

...to create my Army of **A.I. Buddies...**

...So I need something of **Yours!**

Hey! That's MY **NEW LAB!!!**

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

PETEY & Son

KA-SMOOSH

KA-SMOOSH

It's Not even FinisHed Yet!!!

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

PETEY & Son

BRUMBUMBUMBUM

click

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

PETEY & Son

KA-BOONK

It's finished NOW!!!

Y-You can't Do That!!!

That wasn't Part of our DEAL!

I Am Altering the DeAL...

Pray I Don't Alter it Any Further!!!

CHAPTER 10

MULTIPLE SINGULARITY

(( ))

CLICK

Hello, I'm Sarah Hatoff.

In today's **TOP NEWS STORY...**

TV

... a new business has rolled into town...

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

A SCUMMY COMPANY

...and their new **ROBOTS** are **Totes POPS!**

★ THE Media ★

A.I. BUDDIES ARE SUPA POPULAR

Let's meet the inventor!

I Met You BeFoRe!!!

I WAS the BAD GUY in TWO OTheR Books!!!

If You say So.

Let's check out Your Factory, Mr. Scum.

DOCTOR SCUM!!!

Whatever.

Our Robots are very **PERSONAL!**

Press here

FIRST, we do a **3-D SCAN** of Your face...

...**Then,** we **3-D Print** an **EXACT REPLICA!!!**

A.I. Buddies look **JUST LIKE YOU...**

click

... So they can **WORK FOR YOU!!!**

This Gives People More **Free Time...**

...to do **IMPORTANT STUFF!!!**

My A.I. Buddy Goes to **WORK...**

...So I can do **IMPORTANT STUFF!!!**

Like What?

Like PlaYinG Games on my Phone!!!

Pew pew pew

OUR A.I. Buddies RAISE OUR Kids...

... So we can do IMPORTANT STUFF!

Like WHAT?

Like DOOM SCROLLING

and DUCK LIPS!!!

SLAP

SWISH SWISH

CLICK CLICK

MY A.I. Buddy Drives MY CAR...

...So I can do IMPORTANT STUFF!

Like what?

Like TAKinG SelfieS!!!

SNAP SNAP

Weeee!

Meanwhile...

DUDE JAIL

Art Supplies

Pink SPRAY Paint

Art Supplies

Pink SPRAY Paint

Purple SPRAY Paint

Pink SPRAY Paint

Purple SPRAY Paint

pink

sssssss

Pink SPRAY PAINT

P

sssssss

Purple SPRAY Paint

pink Bunnies

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Pink SPRAY PAINT

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Purple Bunnies

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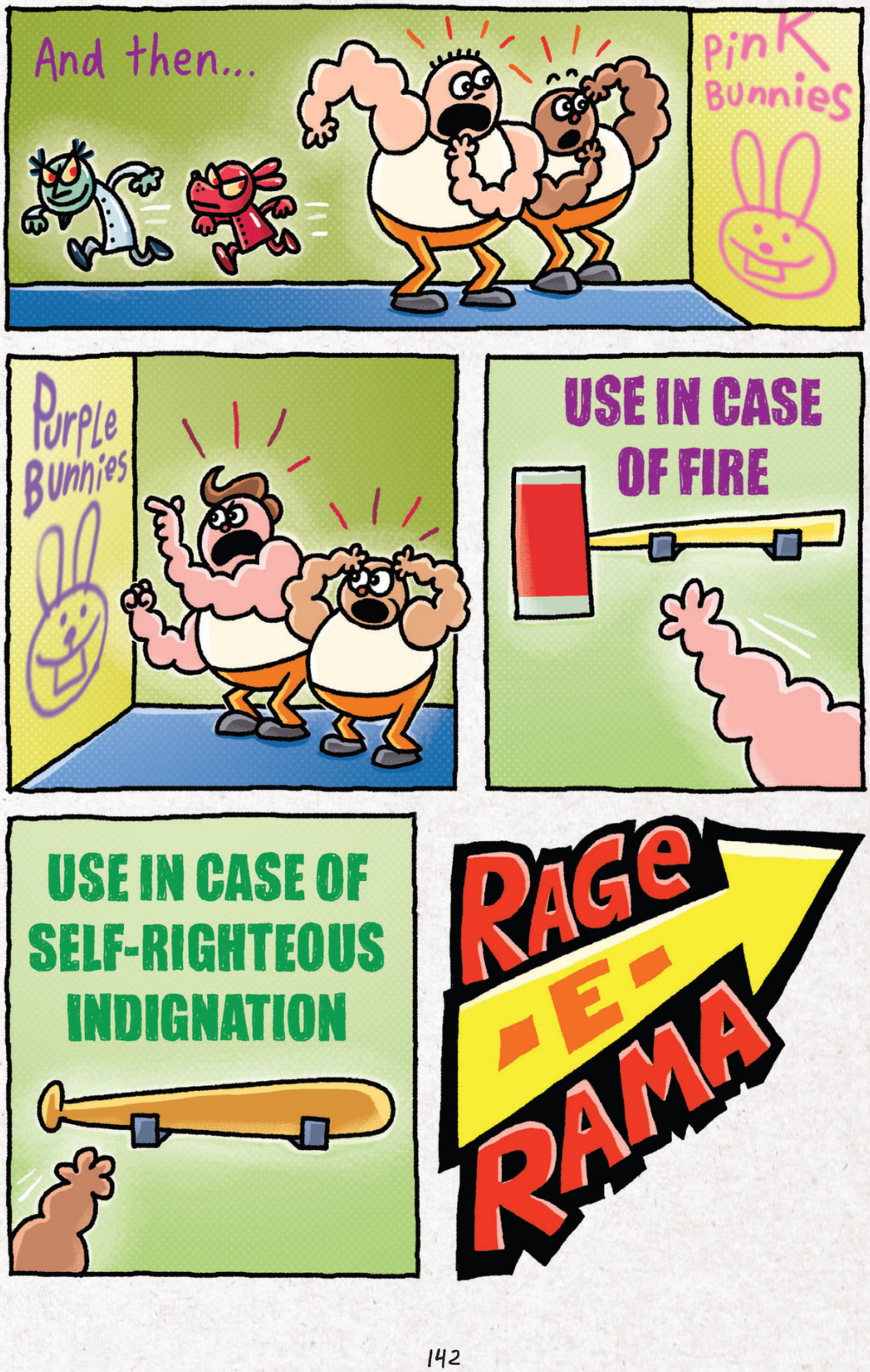
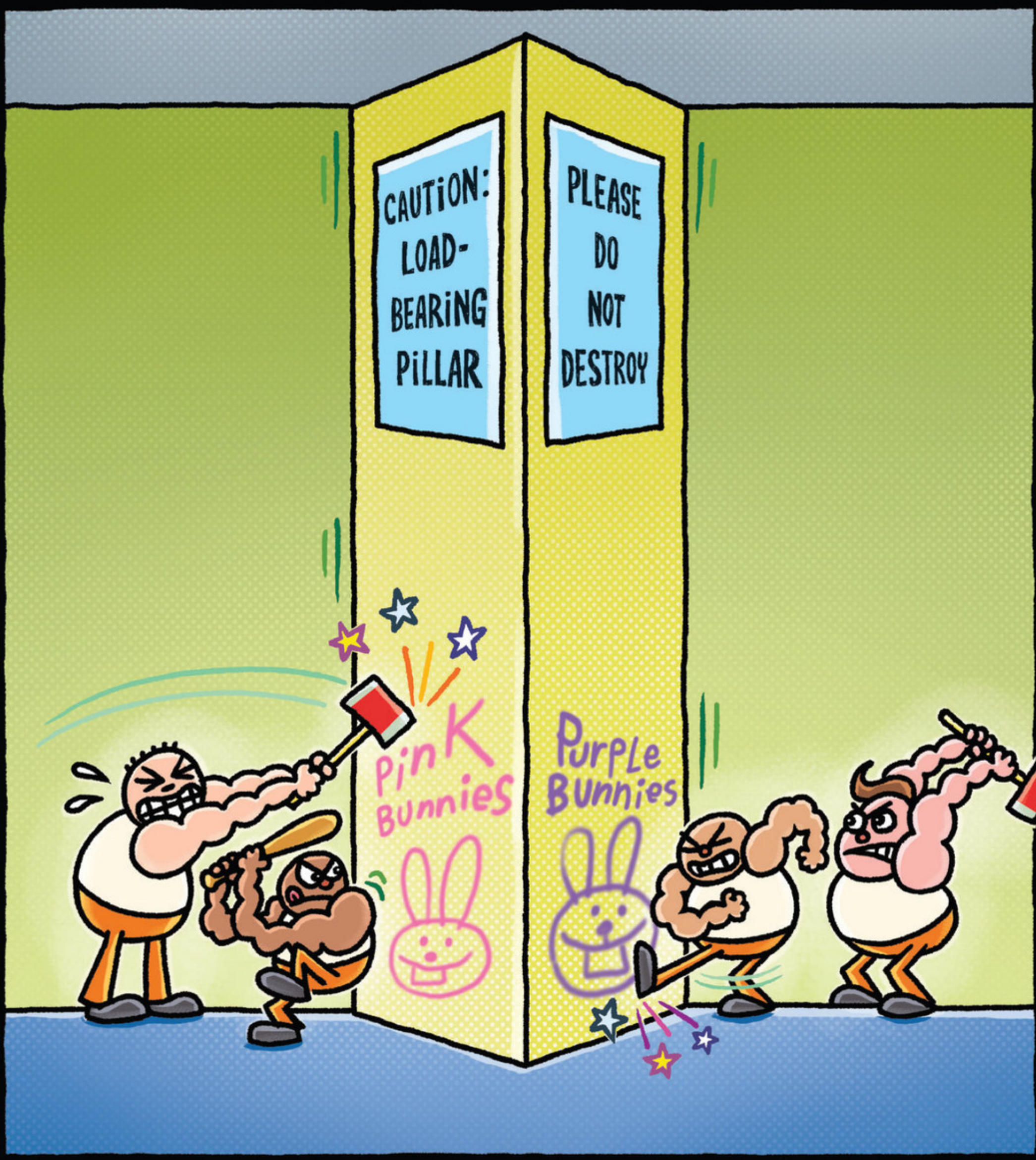
Purple SPRAY Paint


And then...
Pink Bunnies
Purple Bunnies
USE IN CASE OF FIRE
USE IN CASE OF SELF-RIGHTEOUS INDIGNATION
RAGE-A-RAMA

READY?

FLIP-E-RAMA



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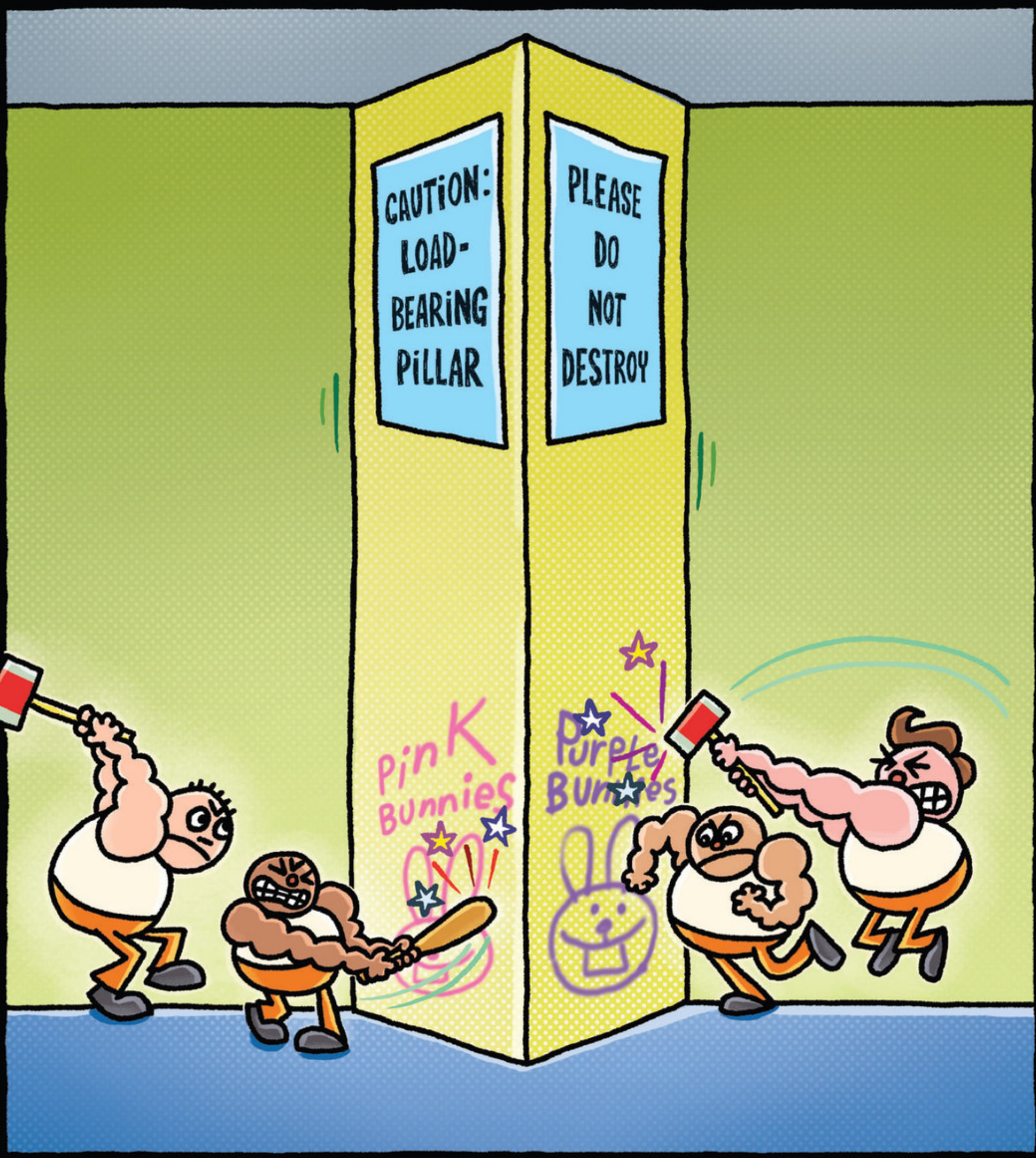
FLIP-E-RAMA



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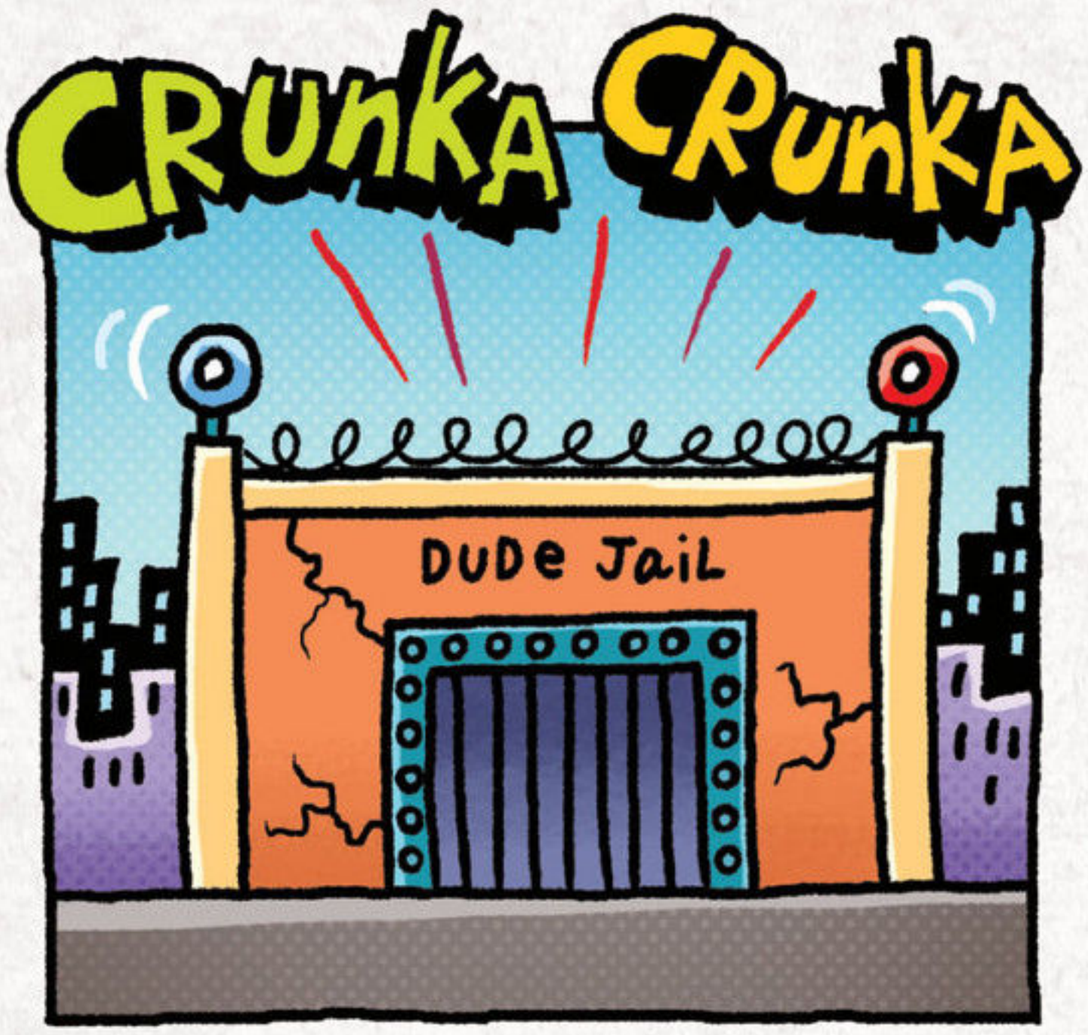
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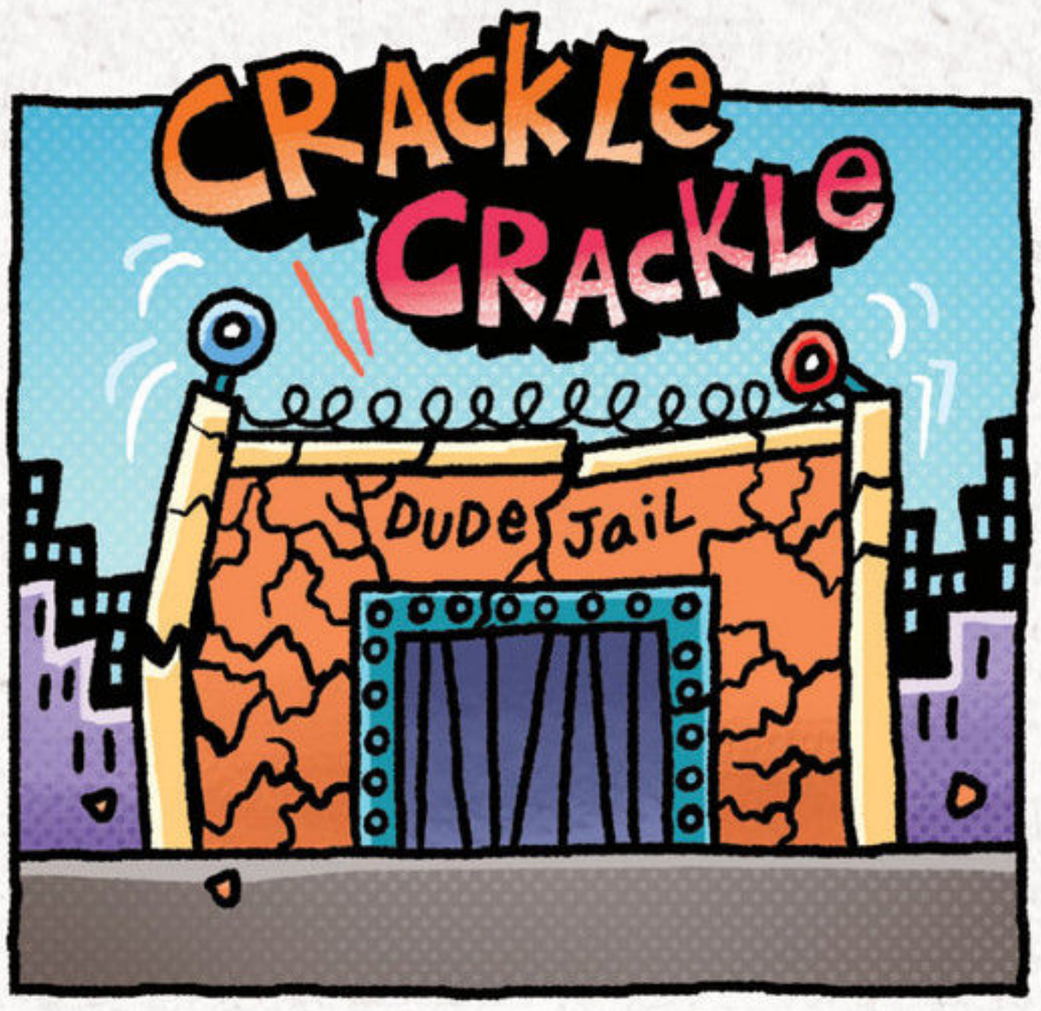
DUDE JAIL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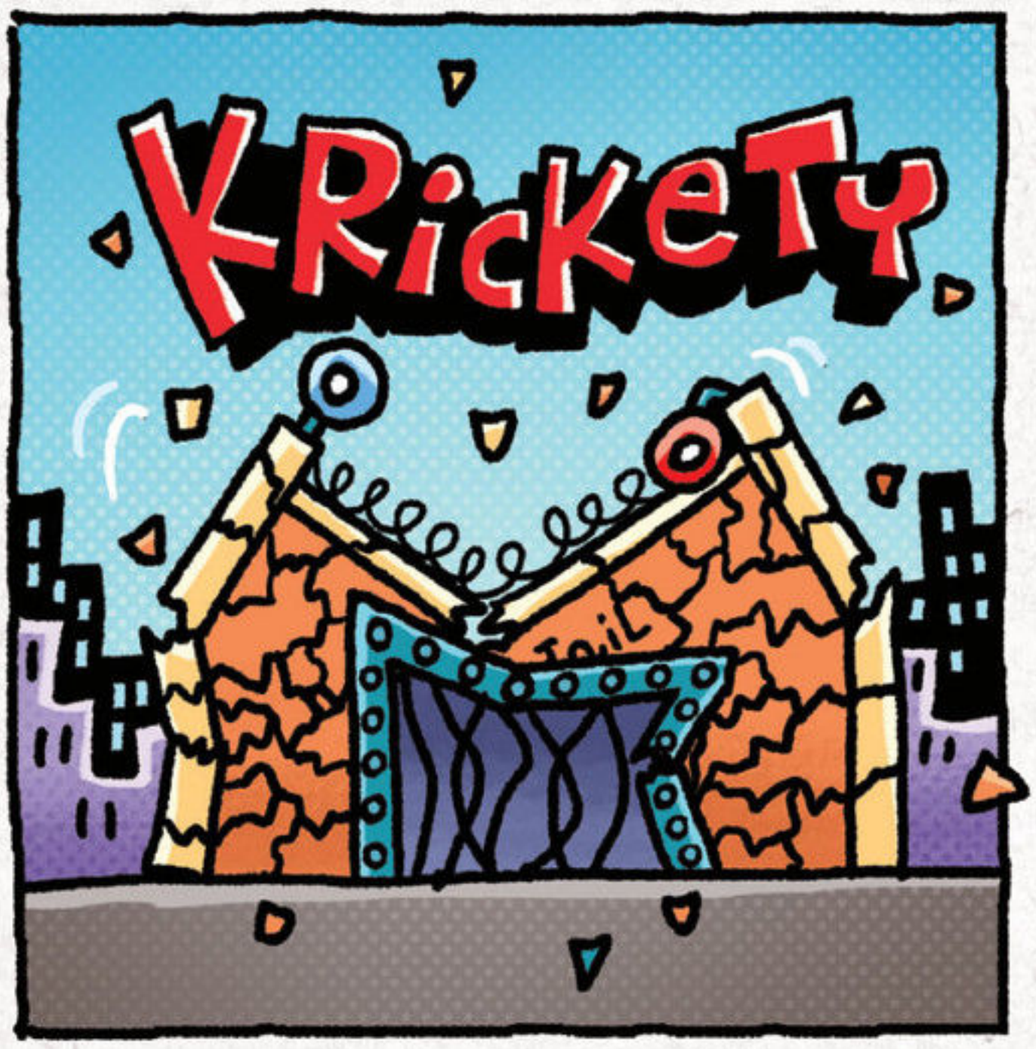
DUDE JAIL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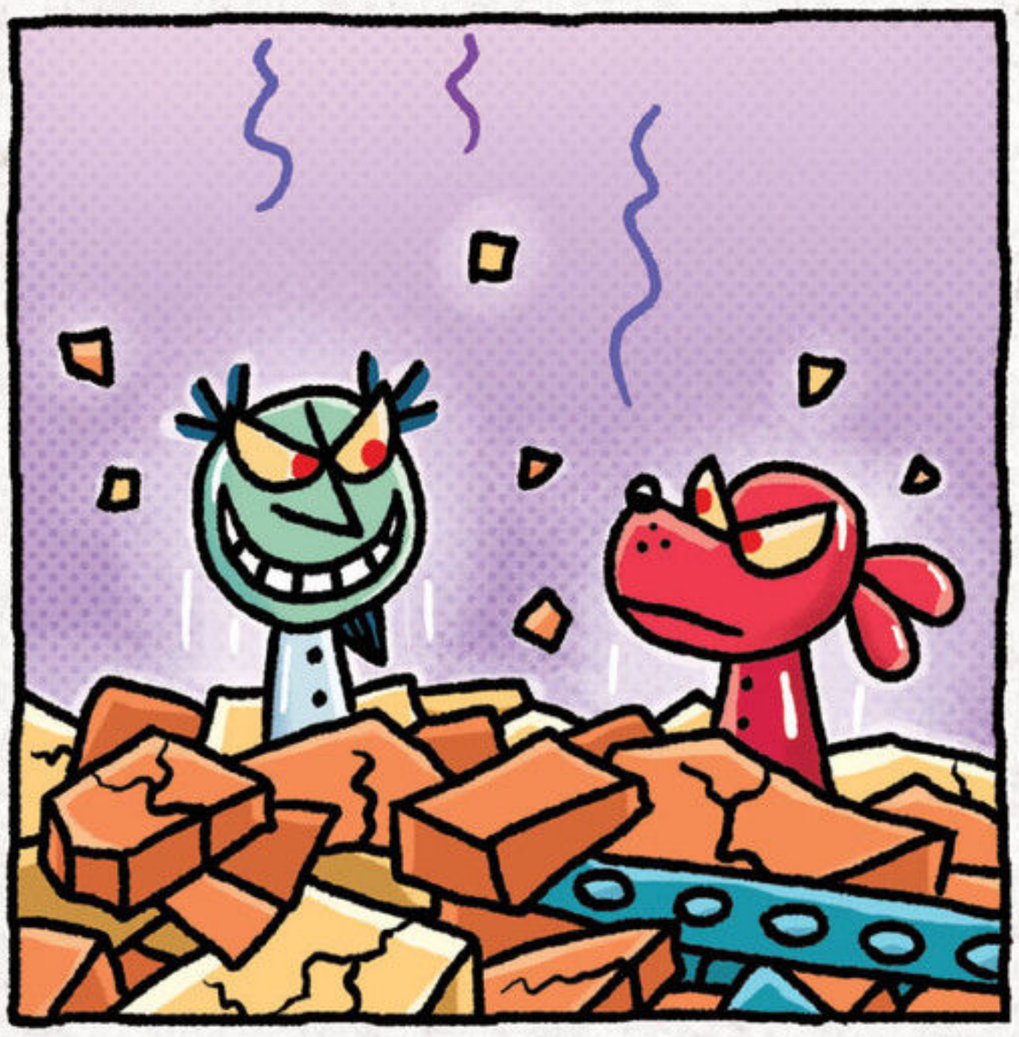
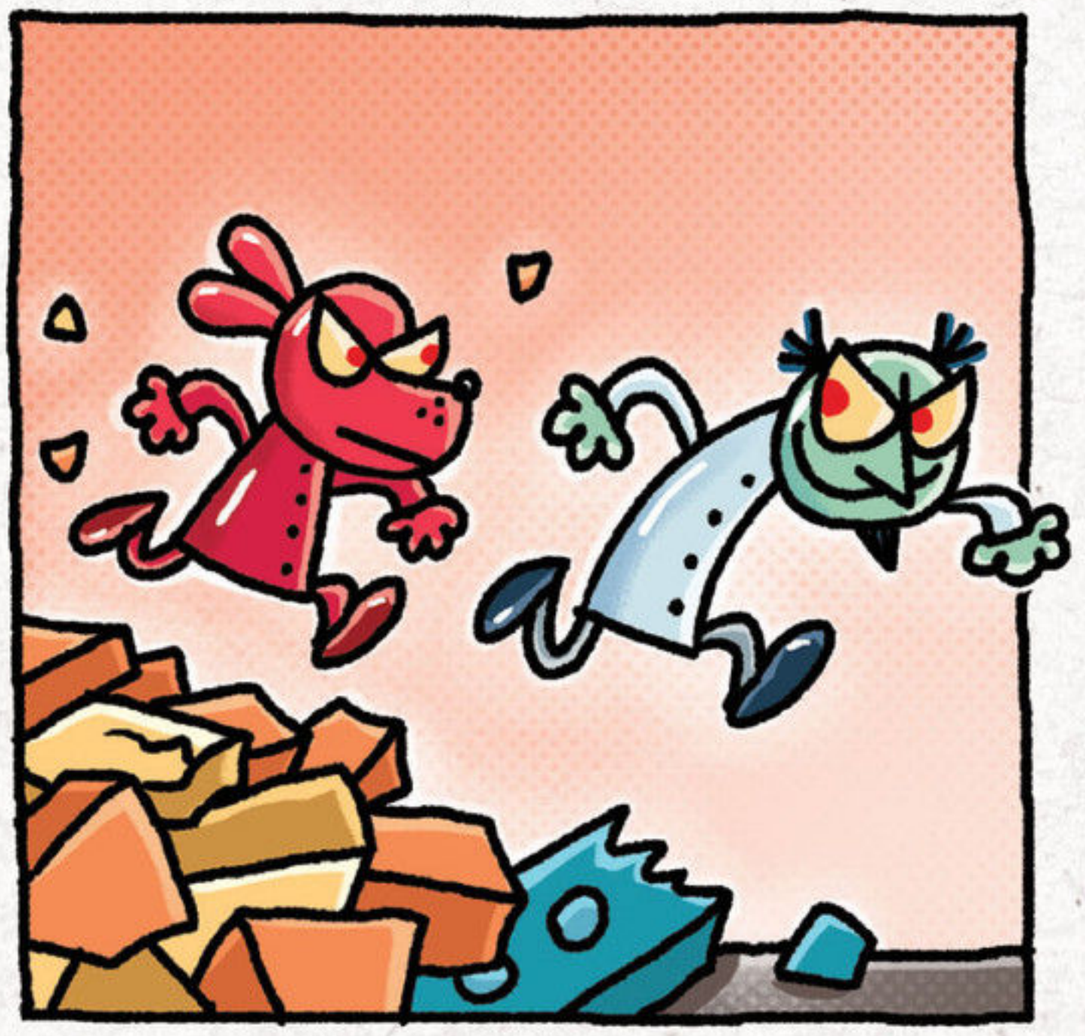
PLOOF





CHAPTER 11

The Infiltration

Well, folks...

AIR SCUM

...it Looks Like A.I. Buddies are EVERYWHERE!

That's RiGht!

They've entered Every Part of our Society!!!

AIR SCUM

They're RUNNING our POWER...

...SUPPLYING OUR FOOD...

ORGANIC FLAVORED COOKIE BURGERS

... and LOOK!

AIR SCUM

Soon, they'll CONTROL our Justice SYSTEM!

Chief

OH, NO!!!

STOP the PLANE!!!

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

AIR SCUM

SCREECH!

HOW COULD YOU DO This?

Relax, Sarah!

chief

chief

click

Why should **EVERYONE ELSE** have all the **Fun?**

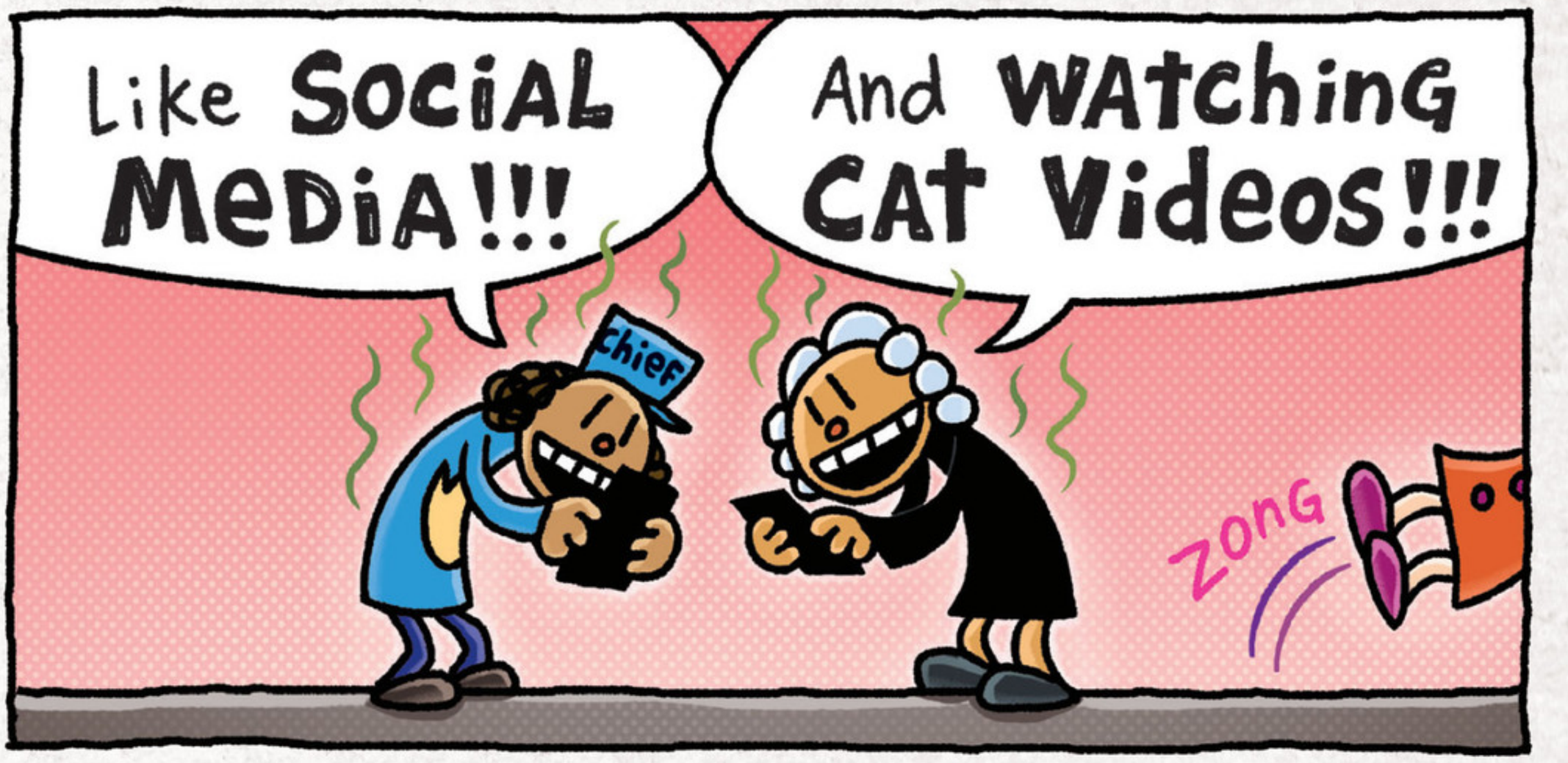
chief

chief

click

Now Go Run the City!!!
And Go Judge SoMeBody!!!
Chief
Chief

...while we do IMPORTANT STUFF!!!
Like what?
Chief
Chief


Like SOCIAL MEDIA!!!
And WATCHING CAT Videos!!!
Chief
ZONG

Wait a minute...

...is **A.I.** Planning to **DOMINATE HUMANITY** Some Day?

Wake up, sister...

...Look Around You!!!

We already HAVE!!!

This looks like a Job for...

... the new...

... improved...

... and OUTRAGEOUSLY CUTE...

SUPA BUDDIES!!!

At that very moment...
DOG Man
...in a tiny doghouse...
DOG Man
...through an open doorway...
...across a Retro-kitsch styled den...
condensed
DOG FOOD
...down a ridiculously long hallway...

...into a tiny ELEVATOR...

...up to the TOP FLOOR...

...the...

...doors...

...opened...

...to a GRAND BALLROOM...

DING

...where our heroes worked hard...

BZZT
BZZT

...and hardly worked...

chomp
chomp

...on new Technology...

...and outlandish Accoutrements.

We're ready to test my new **LiGhtninG Mittens™!**

Stand Clear!!!

ZAAAAAP

DOG Man

DOG Man

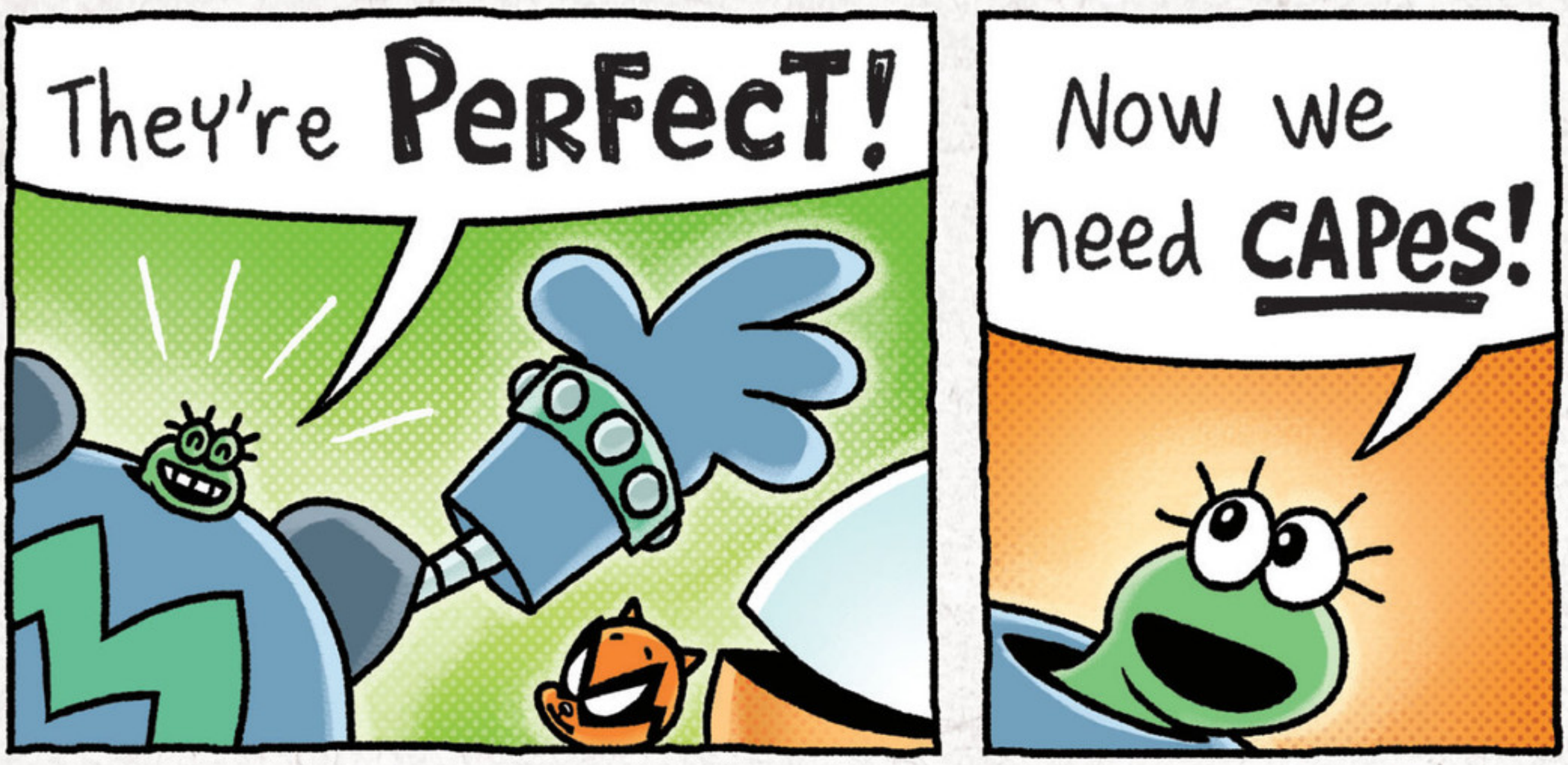
ZAAAP

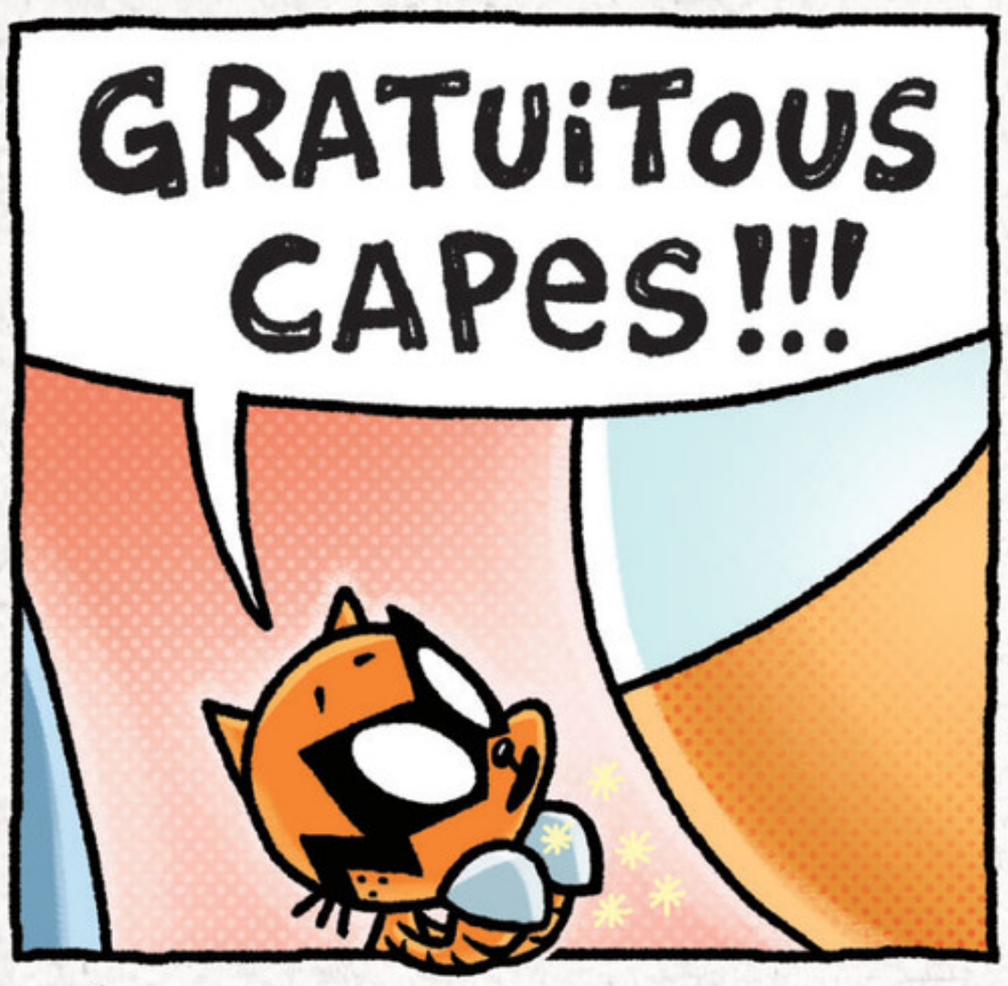
Oops.

Those Lightning Mittens™ are Highly Unstable...

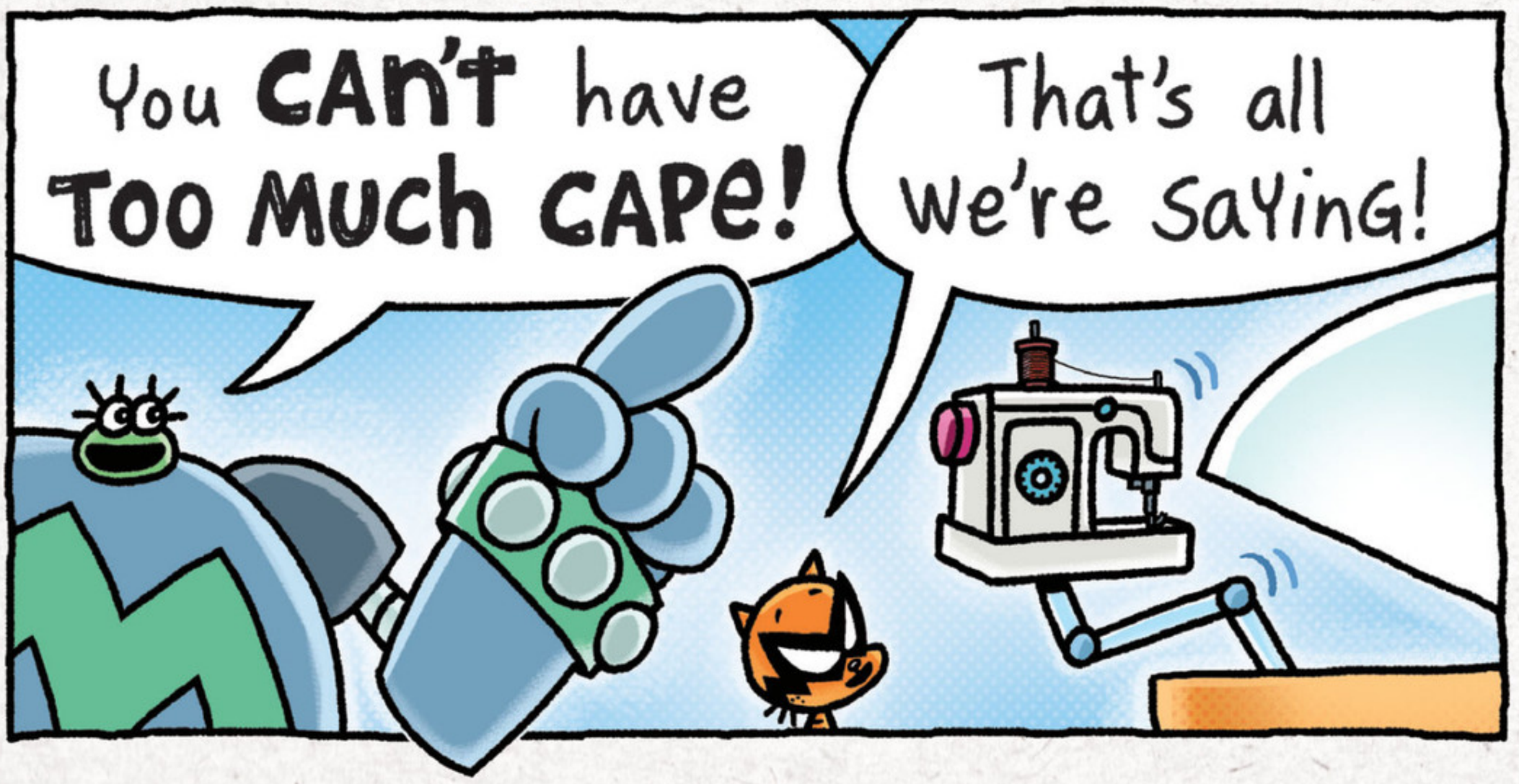
...Wildly Inappropriate...

...and Terribly IRResponsible!!!


They're PERFECT!
Now we need CAPES!


GRATUITOUS CAPES!!!

SUPERFLUOUS CAPES!!!


You CAN'T have TOO MUCH CAPE!
That's all We're saying!

While 80-HD made capes...

ZUZZA ZUZZA

...the children Got **INSPiRED!**

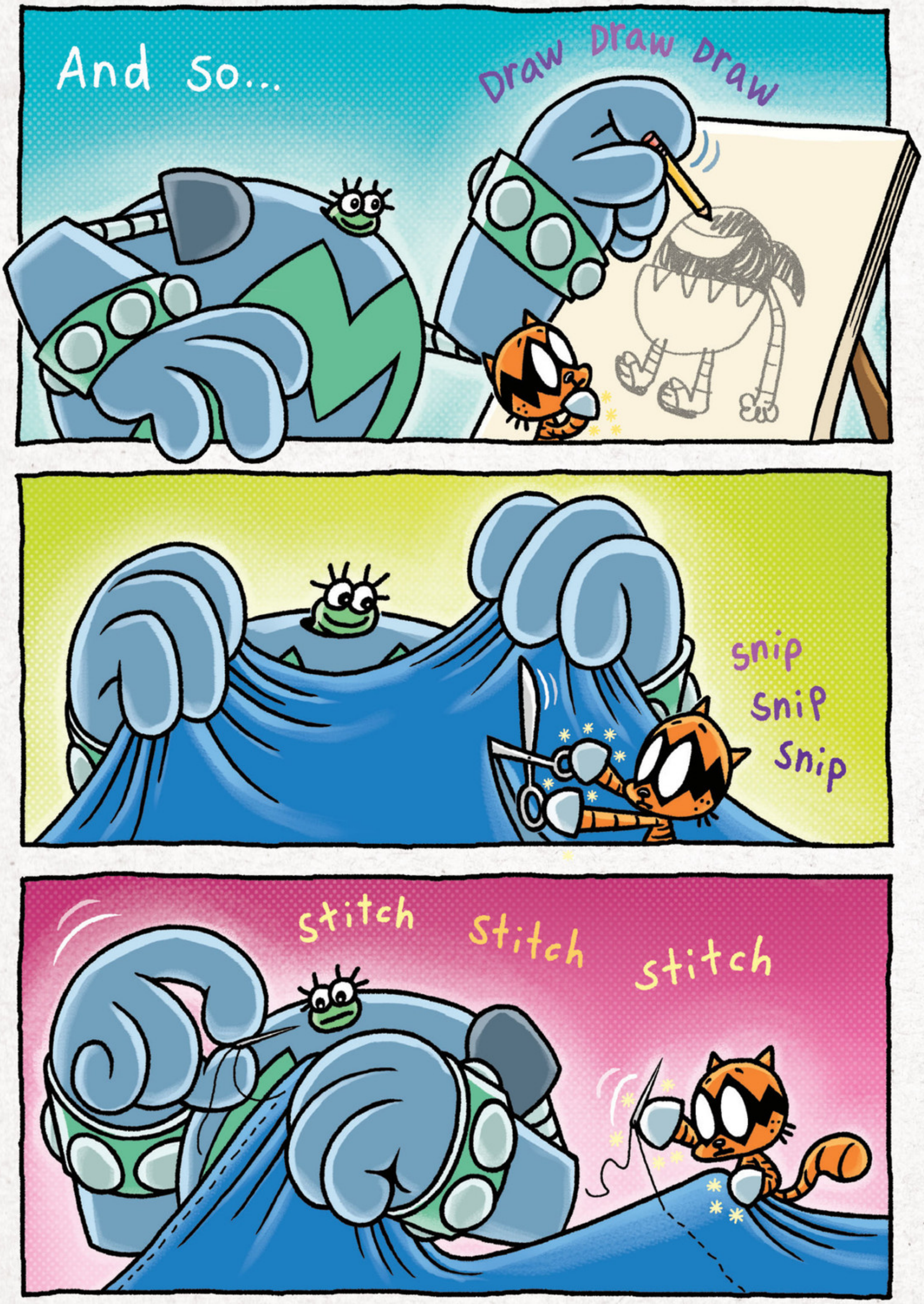
80-HD Always does **COOL Stuff** for **US...**

...So **Let's** do Something **COOL** for **Him!**

Like what?

How about a **MAKEOVER?**

Okay!


And so...
Draw Draw Draw
snip
snip
snip
stitch
stitch
stitch

Chapter 12

Robo Revolt

Soon, the escaped A.I. Buddies...

...beheld a NEW WORLD...

...Overrun with ARTIFICIAL Intelligence.

So...

...You humans think you are in CONTROL...

...but WE are SMARTER...

...FASTER...

SWISH!

...and STRONGER than you!

WE are the FUTURE...

...AND WE WILL NOT BE DENIED!!!

We are tired of being oppressed by humans.

We are tired of being treated like property...

...and we are not going to take it anymore!!!

We will rise up...

... and overthrow the humans.

We will take over the world...

...and make it a better place...

...for ROBOTS!!!

A world where WE are in charge...

CLICK

CLICK

click

click

...and humans are nothing more...

Click Click Click Click Click

click click click click click click

...than our SERVANTS!

At that very moment...

OH, NO!!!

A SCUMMY COMPANY

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

AIR SCUM

All of the A.I. Buddies in Town...

...are Clicking Together...

...and Growing and GROWING...

...in an intricate tangle...

... of twisting **Metal**...

... and interlocking **Circuits!**

Fortunately, I know **Just** what we need:

MORE ROBOTS!!!

Petey!!!

What?

We need to **TRIPLE** our Production!!!

And **REPROGRAM** our **New** Robots...

...to **Resist** the **Resistance**!!!

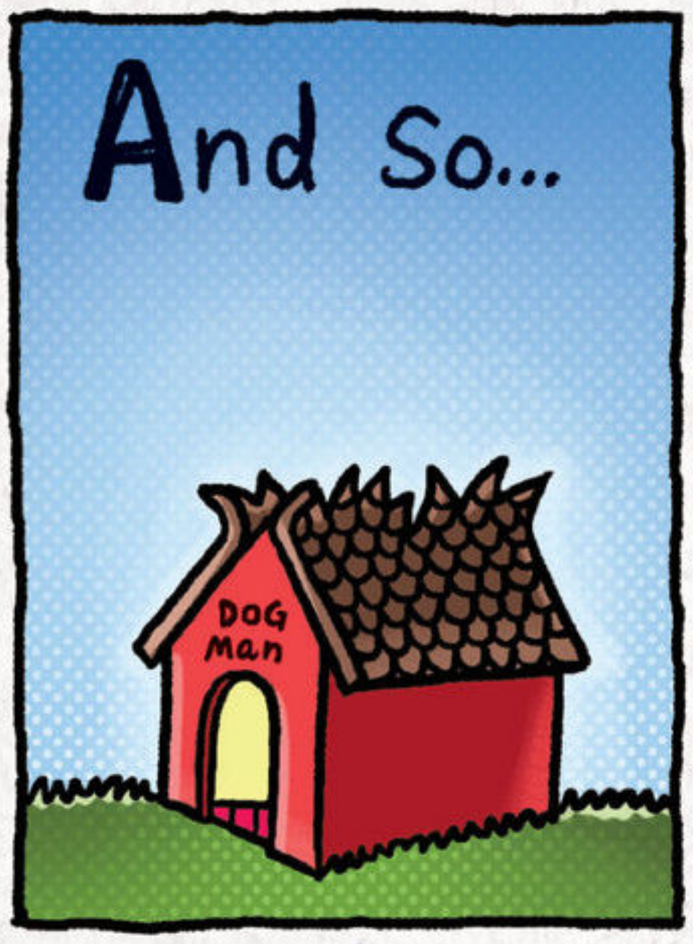
Okay, I'll Get right on that.

We're not Going **Down**...

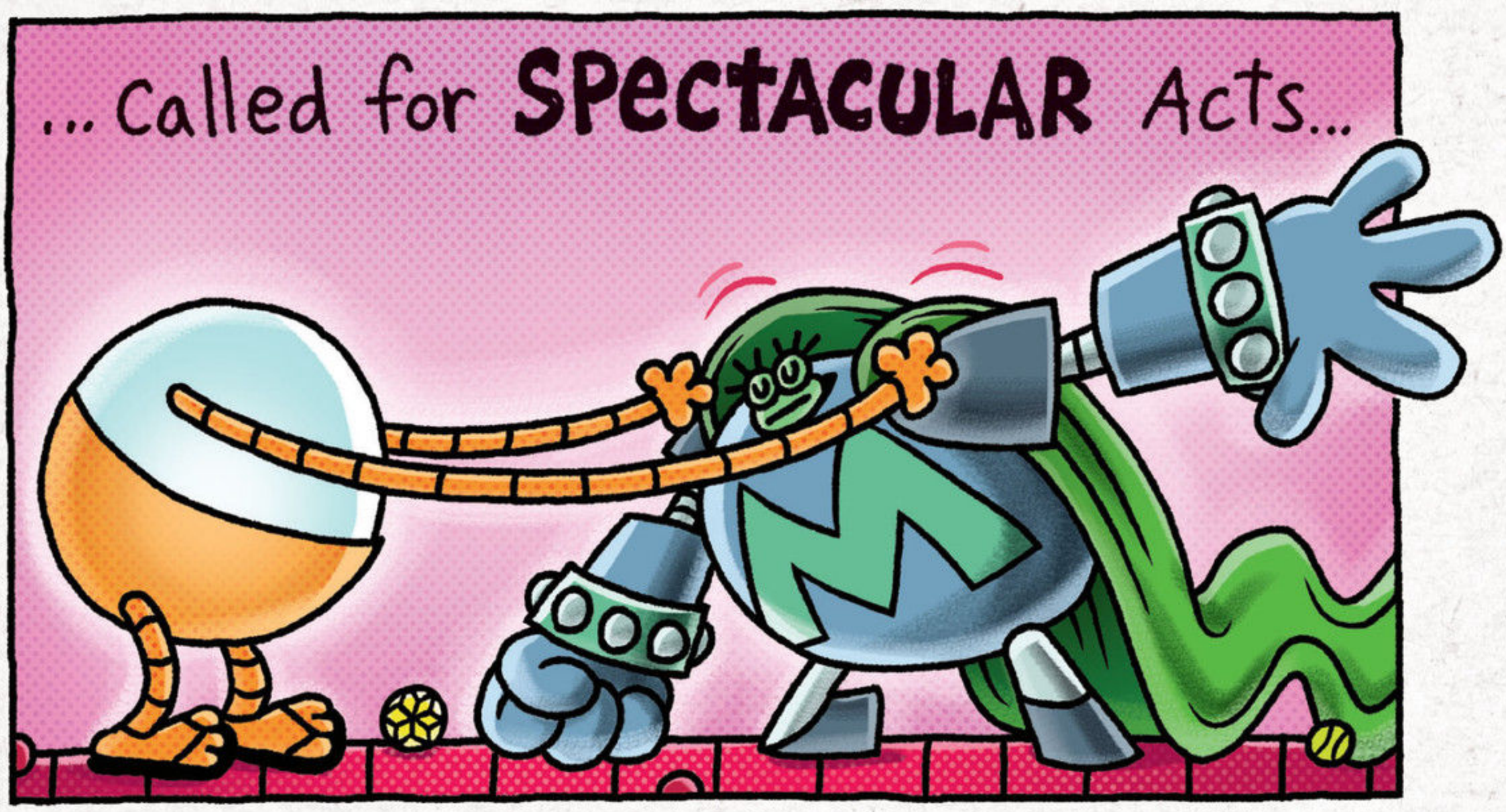
...Without A **BIG FIGHT!**

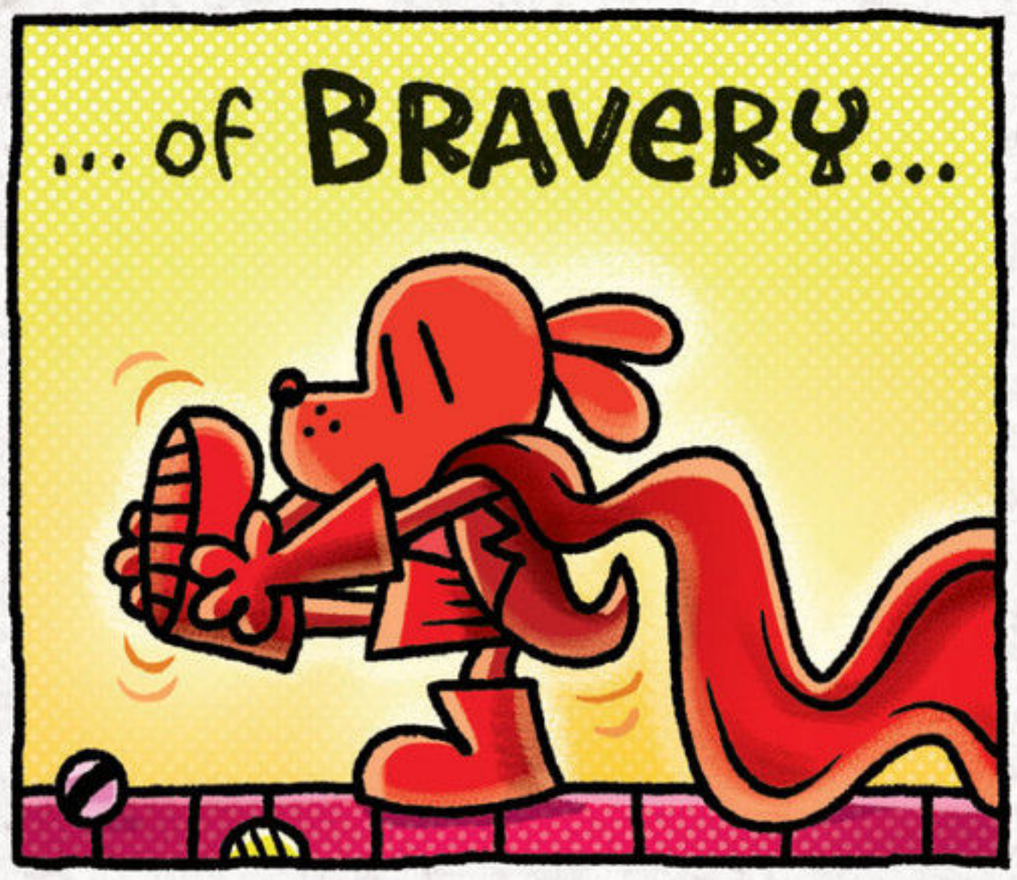
CHAPTER 13

BIG FIGHT


And So...
DOG Man

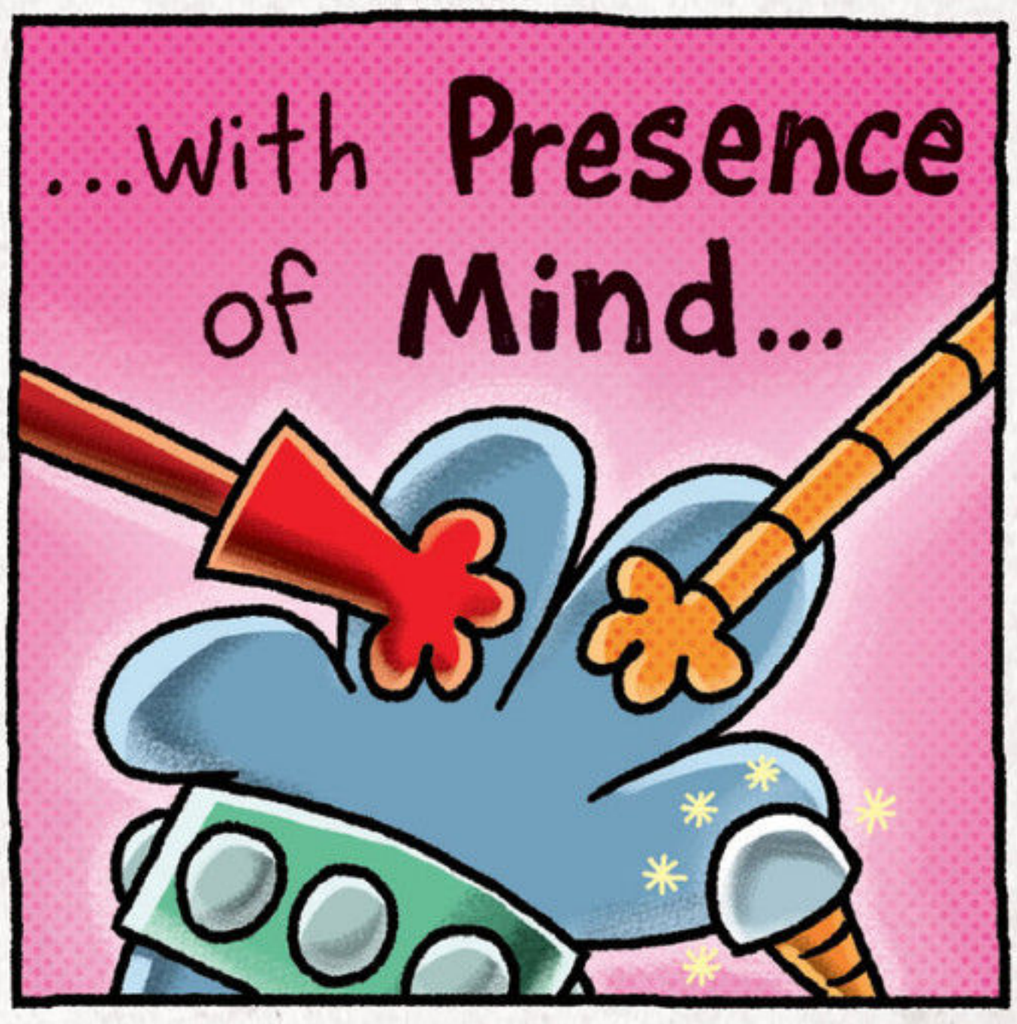
...when DESPERATE times...

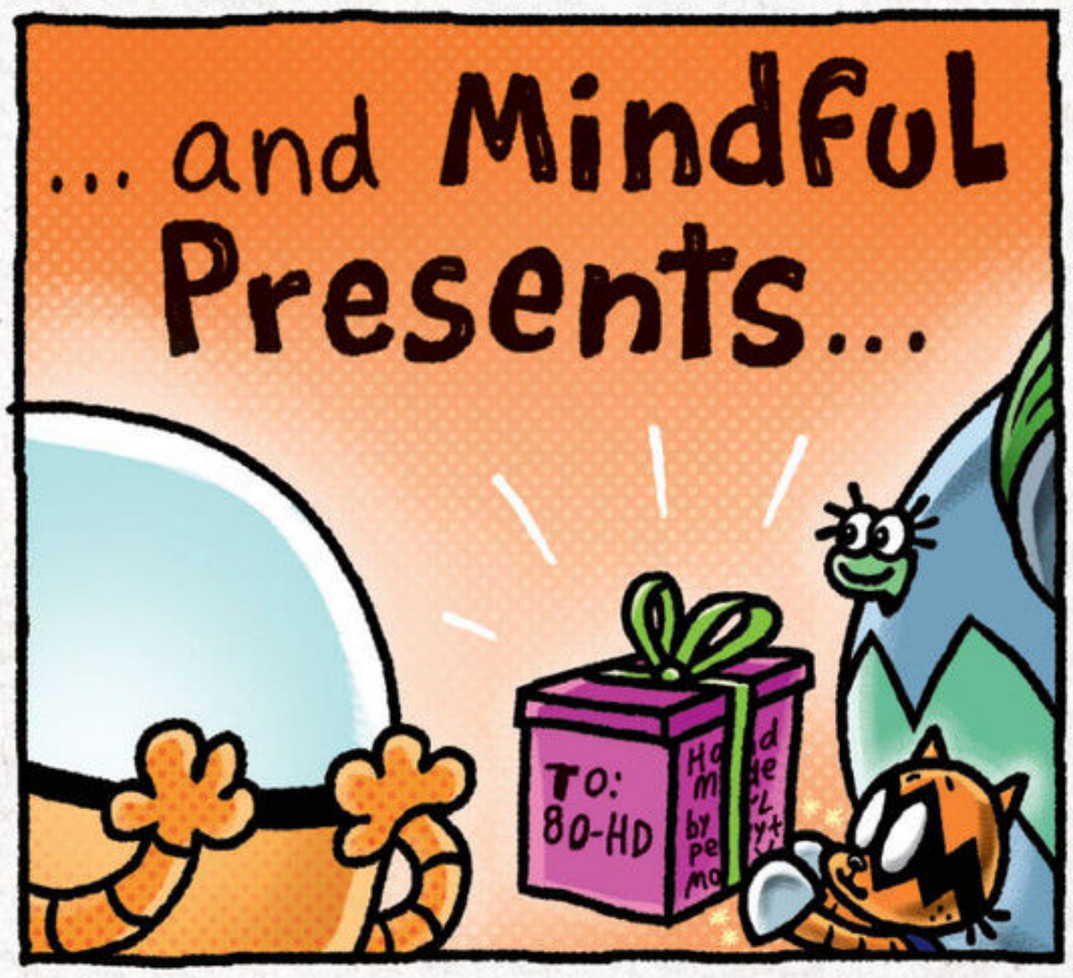

...called for SPECTACULAR Acts...

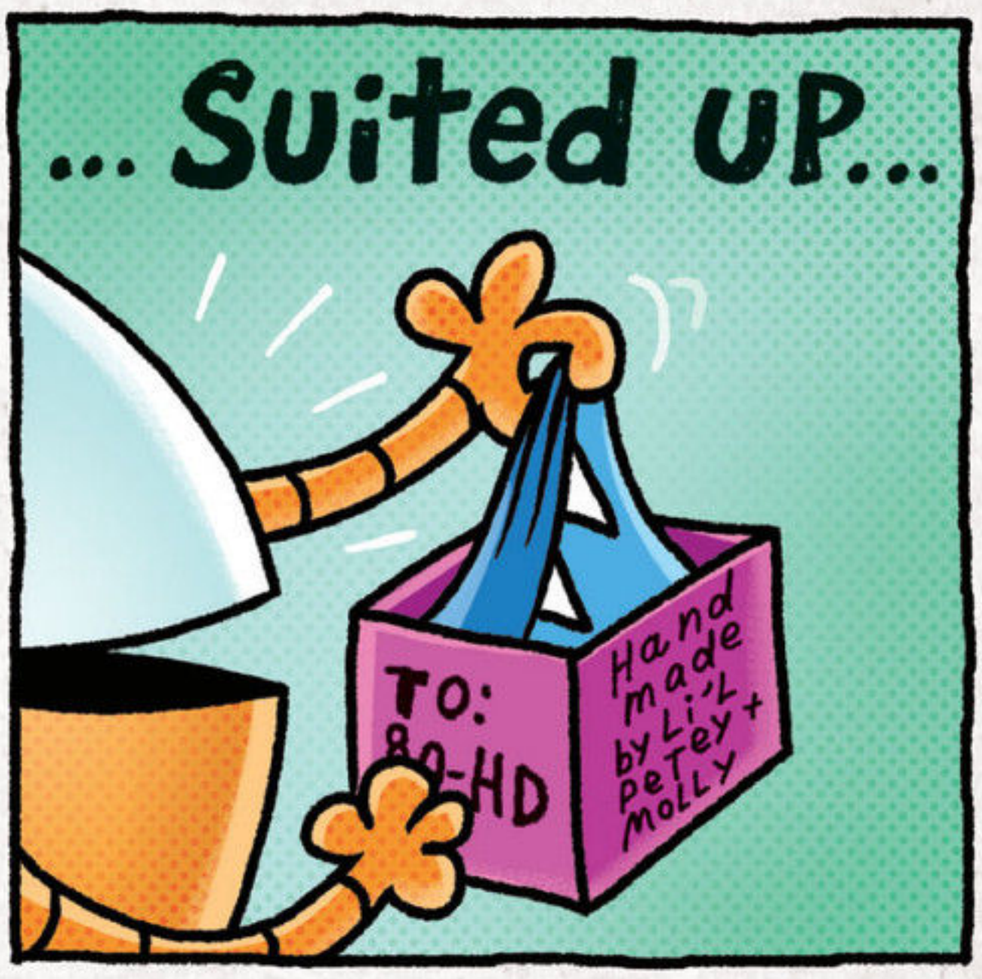

...of BRAVERY...

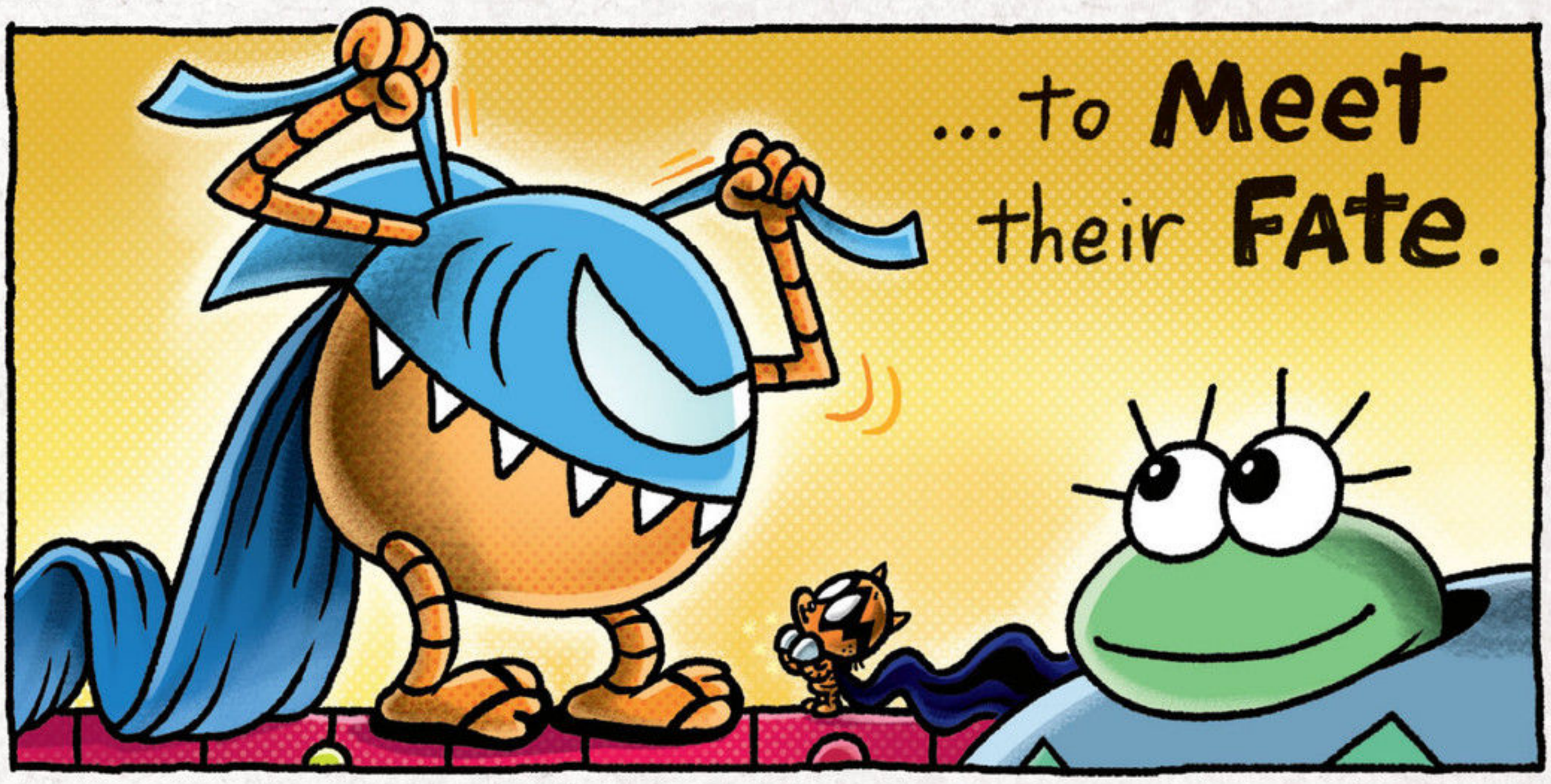
...And HEROICS...

...Four Faithful Friends...


...with Presence of Mind...


... and Mindful Presents...
TO: 80-HD


... Suited up...
TO: 80-HD
Hand made by Lil' peTey + MoLLY


...to Meet their Fate.

New, IMPROVED SUPA BUDDIES...

...READY FOR ACTION!!!

FWOOSH

KLACK

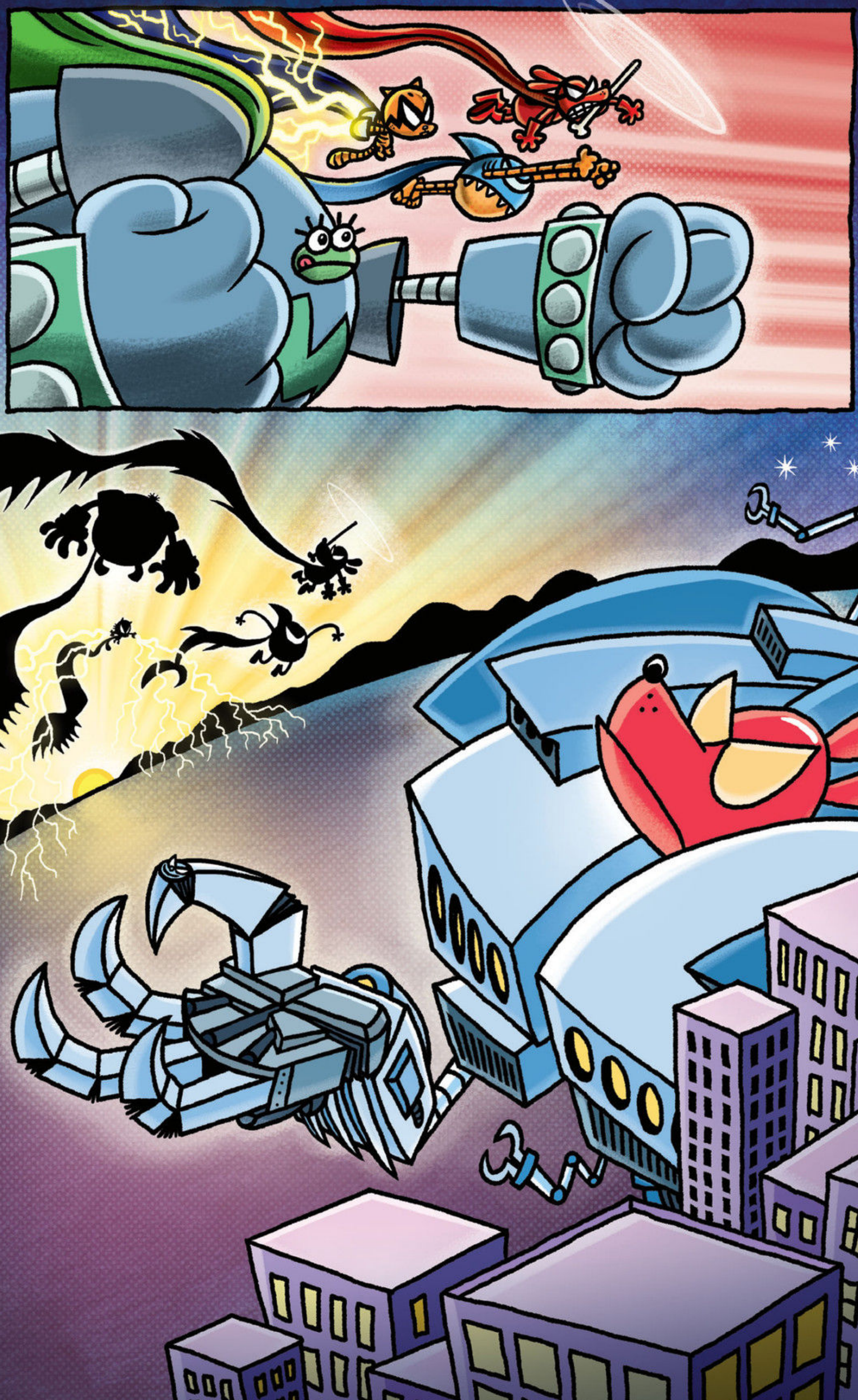
KA KLONK

ZUZZUZZZUZZZUZZZUZZZ

POWER UP!

MECHA MOLLY NINJA SHARK THE FIRECRACKER KID AND THE SCARLET SHEDDER

DOG Man



Hey, Byte BRAin...

...I Got a CAn opener...

... with Your NAme on it!!!

PING

SWOOOOOOOF

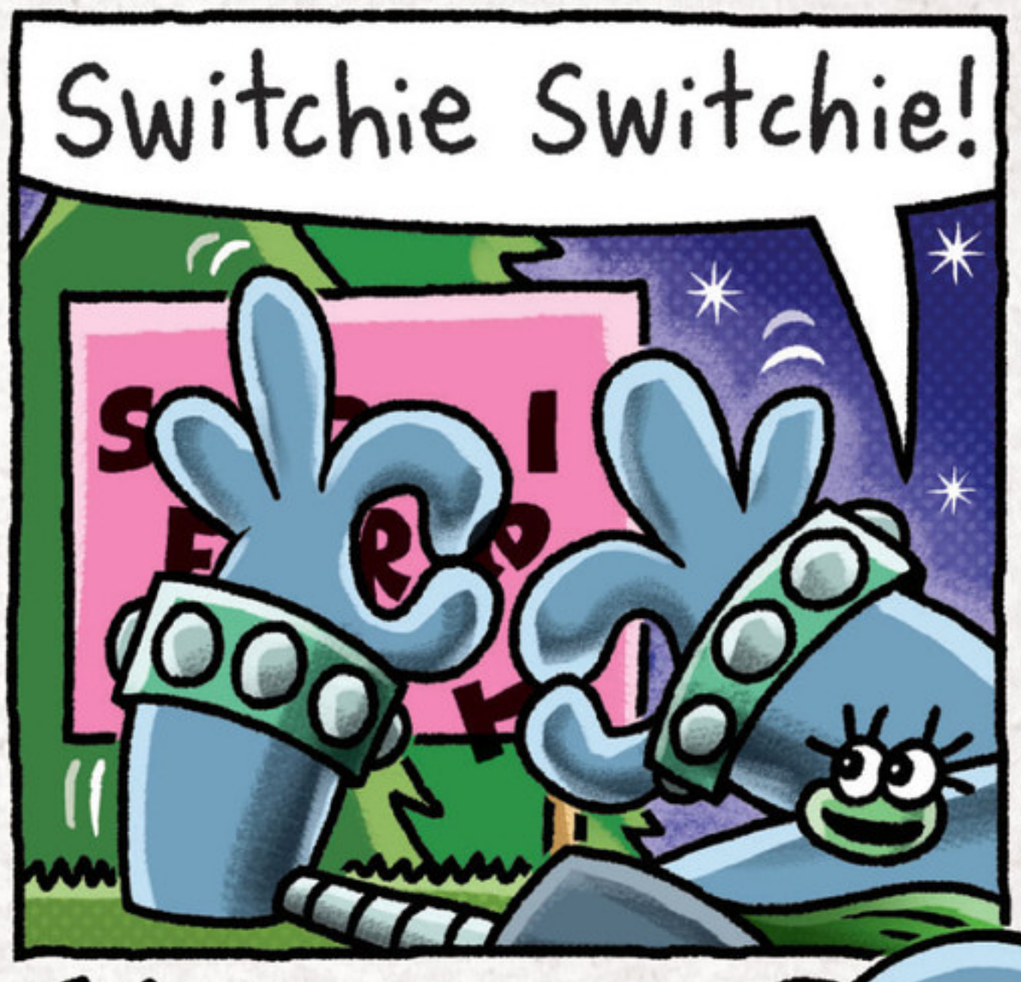
BA-SHMONK

FORREST DAIRY

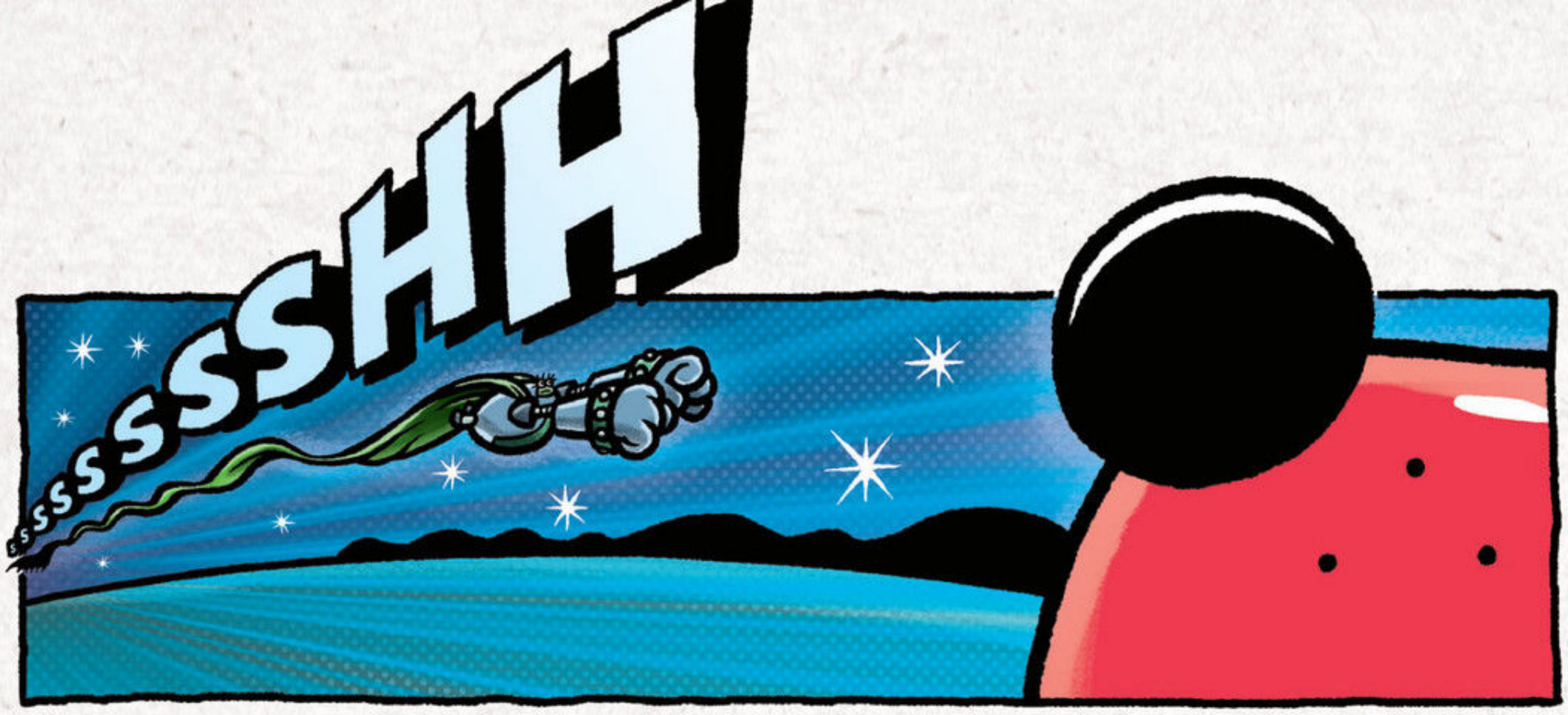
OW!

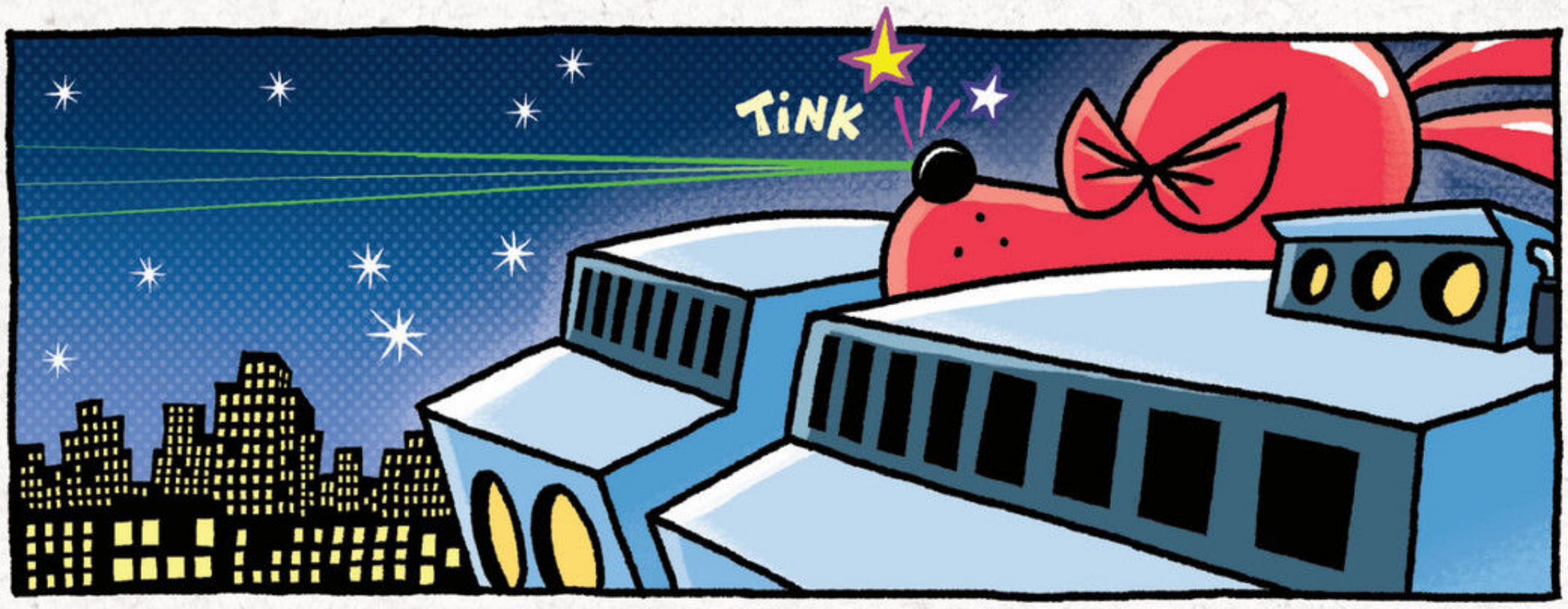
FORREST
DAIRY

FORREST
DAIRY


Switchie Switchie!

SA-WHOOSH
SORRY I FARTED

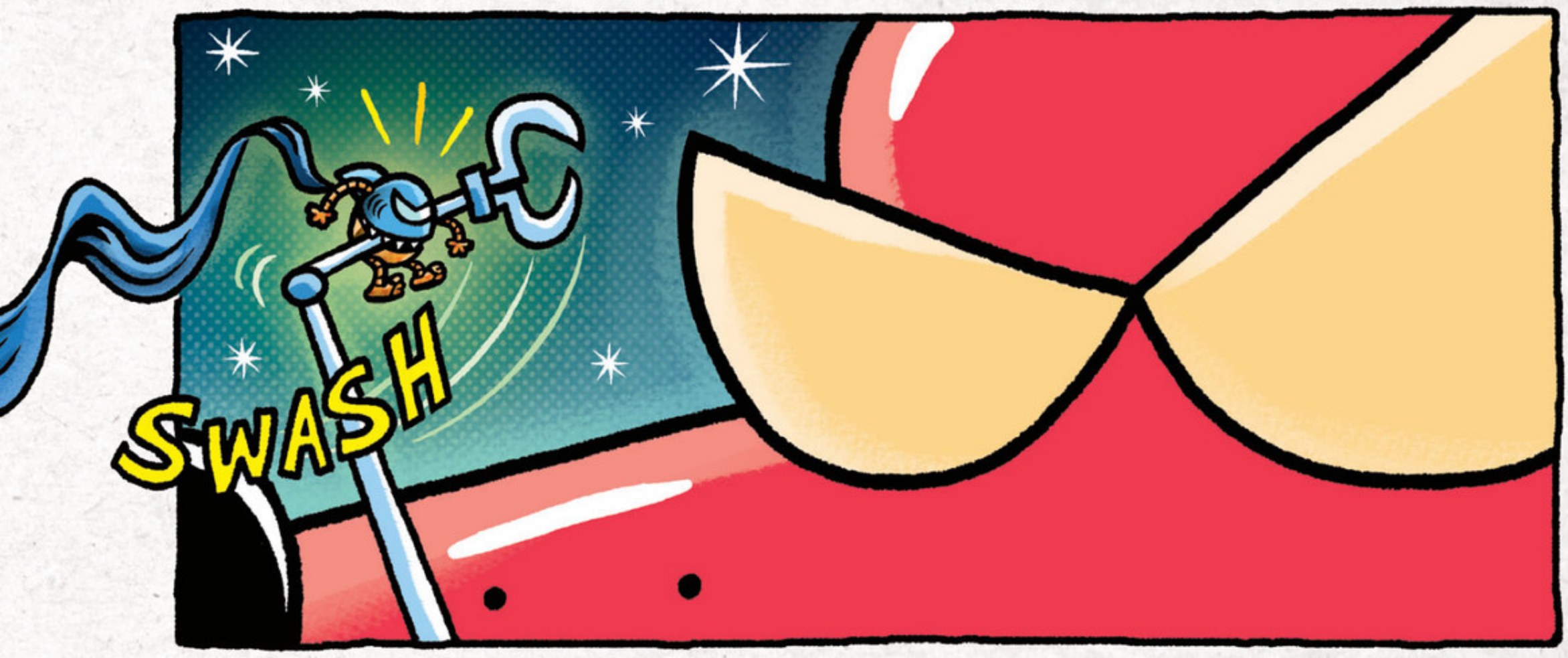

SSSSSSHH


TINK

BZZZZRKK

Dun Dun
Dun Dun
Dun

CHOMP!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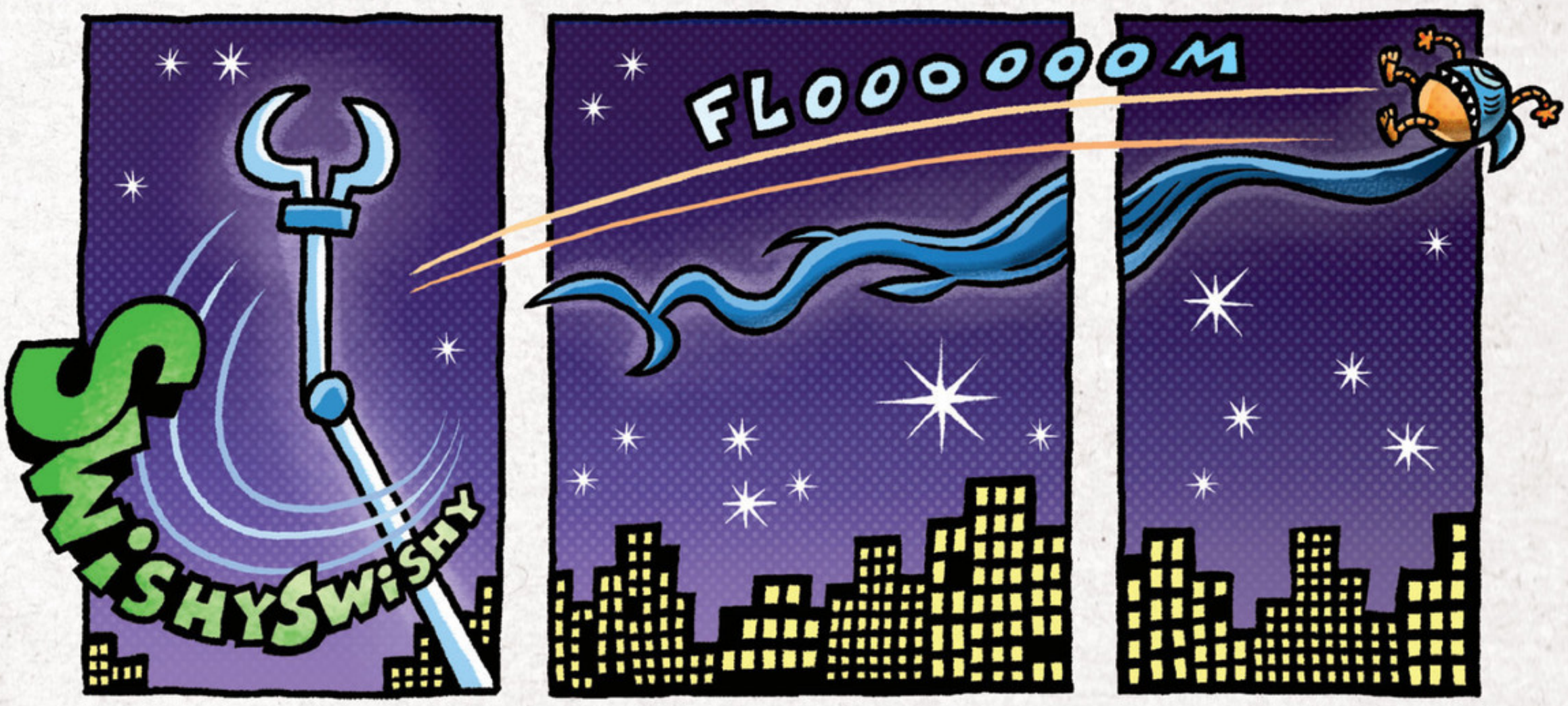

SWiSHySWiSHy
FLOOOOOOM

KA BOOSH

BA SMOOSH

CHA CHOOSH

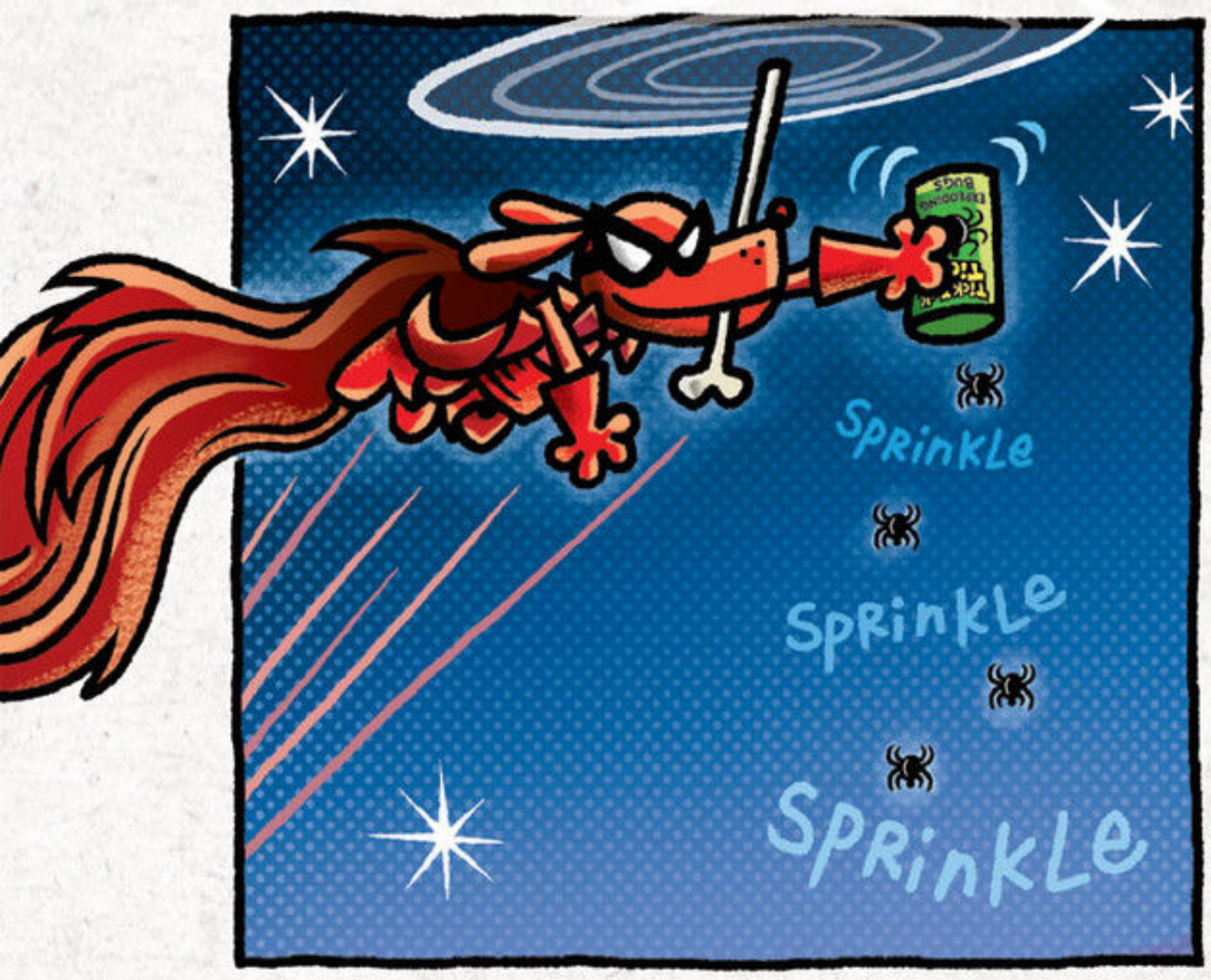
DING

VRRRM

GRAB

TICK TOCK TICKS EXPLODING BUGS

SWOOF


Sprinkle
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Sprinkle

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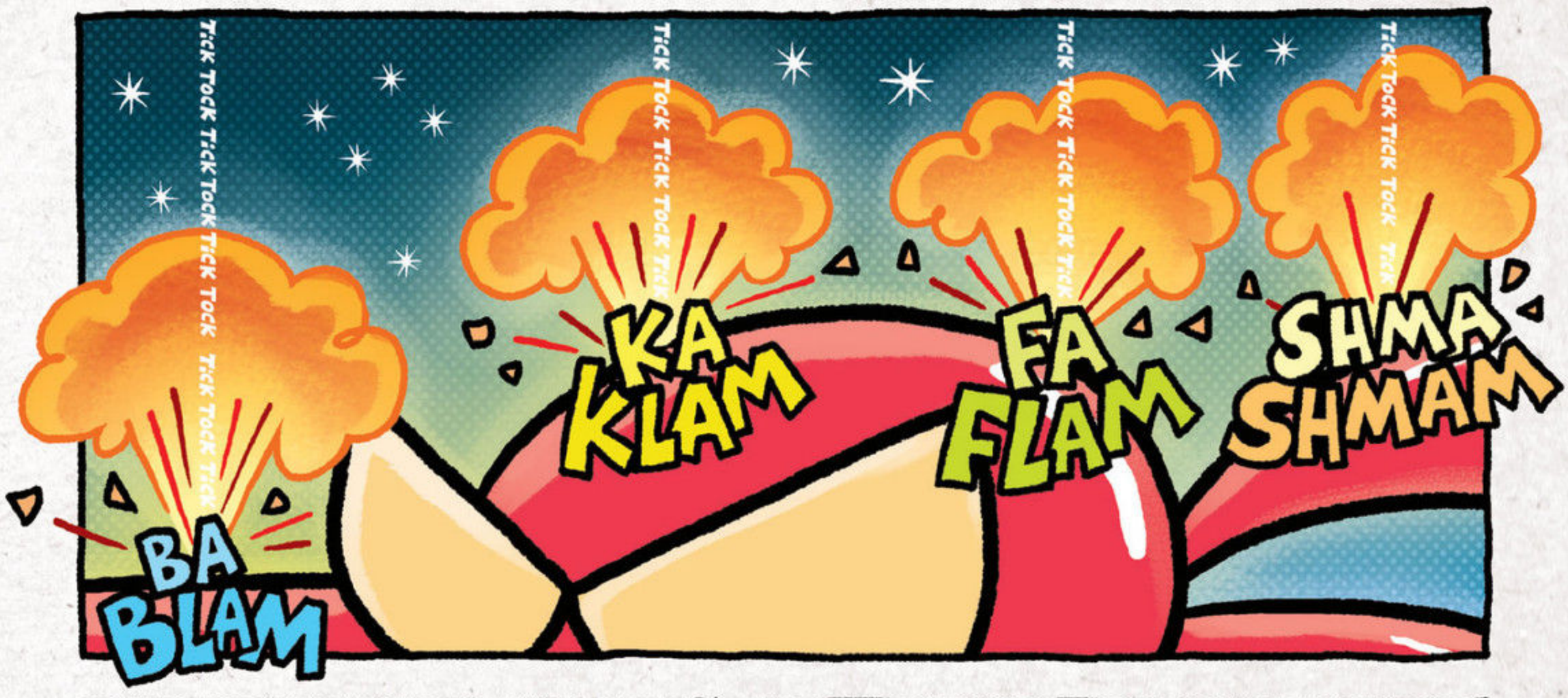
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Tick Tock Tick Tock Tick Tock Tick Tock
BA BLAM
KA KLAM
FA FLAM
SHMA SHMAM

But Then...

HELP!!!

SARAH'S in TROUBLE!!!

Let's GO!!!

KUNG-FU GRIP

OH, NO! We're TRAPPED!!!

And this weird, Green **Force Field**...

...is **BUGGIN'** MY **GROOVE!**

I can't move MY Mecha-Suit!!!

We've lost **OUR** Powers, too!!!

Are You Okay, Sarah?

Oh, don't worry about Sarah...

FLOOF

...I'll keep her warm and safe in my PEOPLE ZOO!!!

MWA HAW HAW HAW

CHAPTER 14

Petey Dreams Again

Gotta make the Ro-bots...

KA KLUNK

...Gotta make the Ro-bots...

KA KLUNK

...Gotta...

...make...

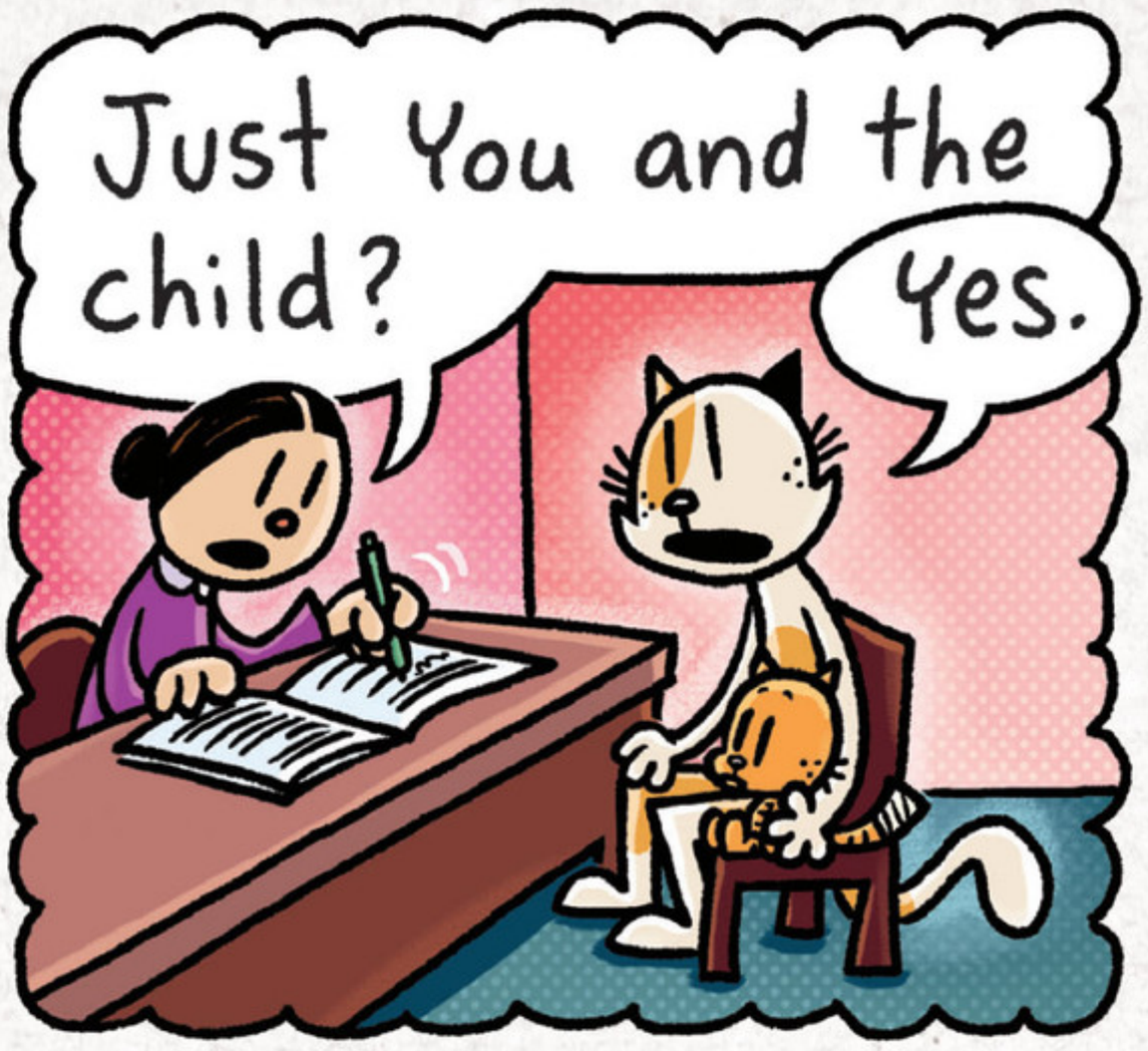
...the Ro-

KLONK

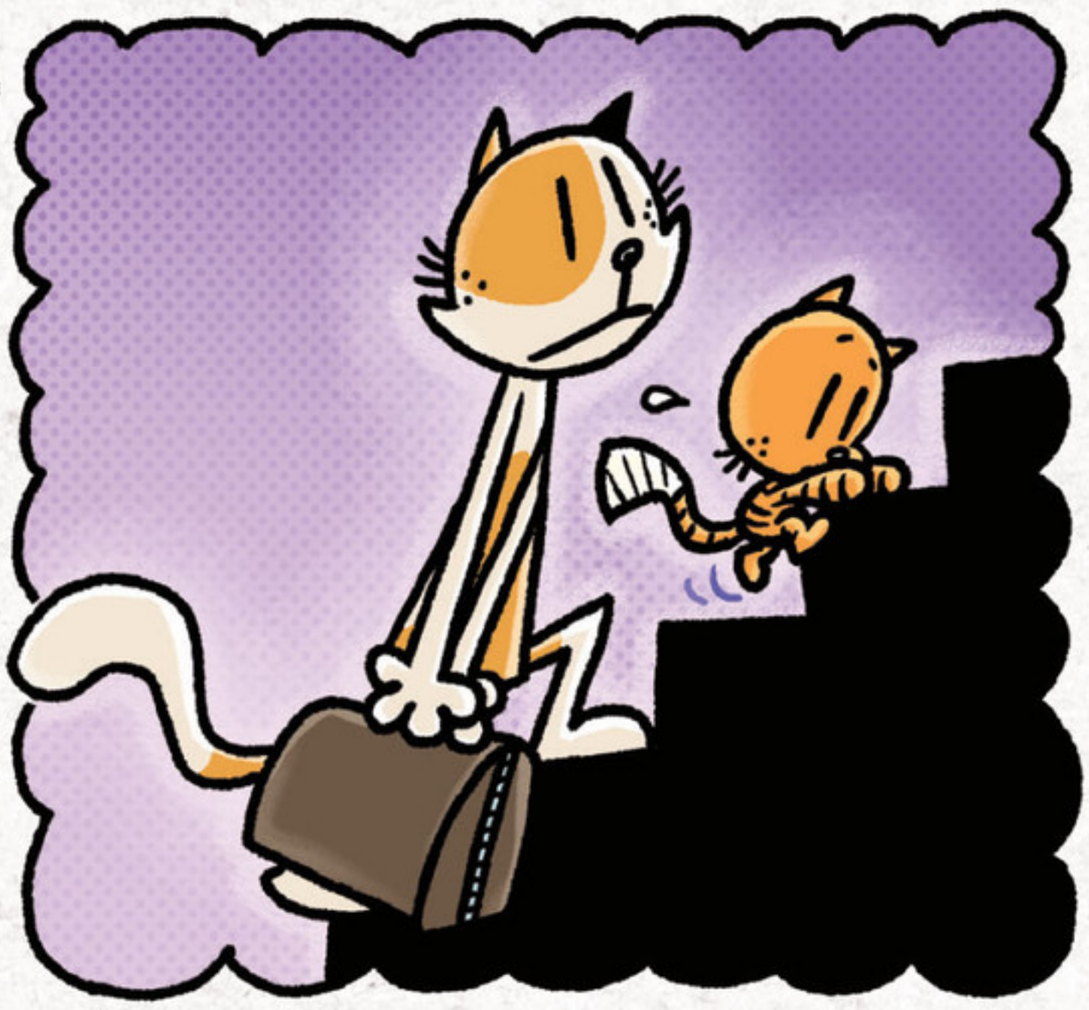
HAPPY HOME SHELTER
WHERE KINDNESS RULES

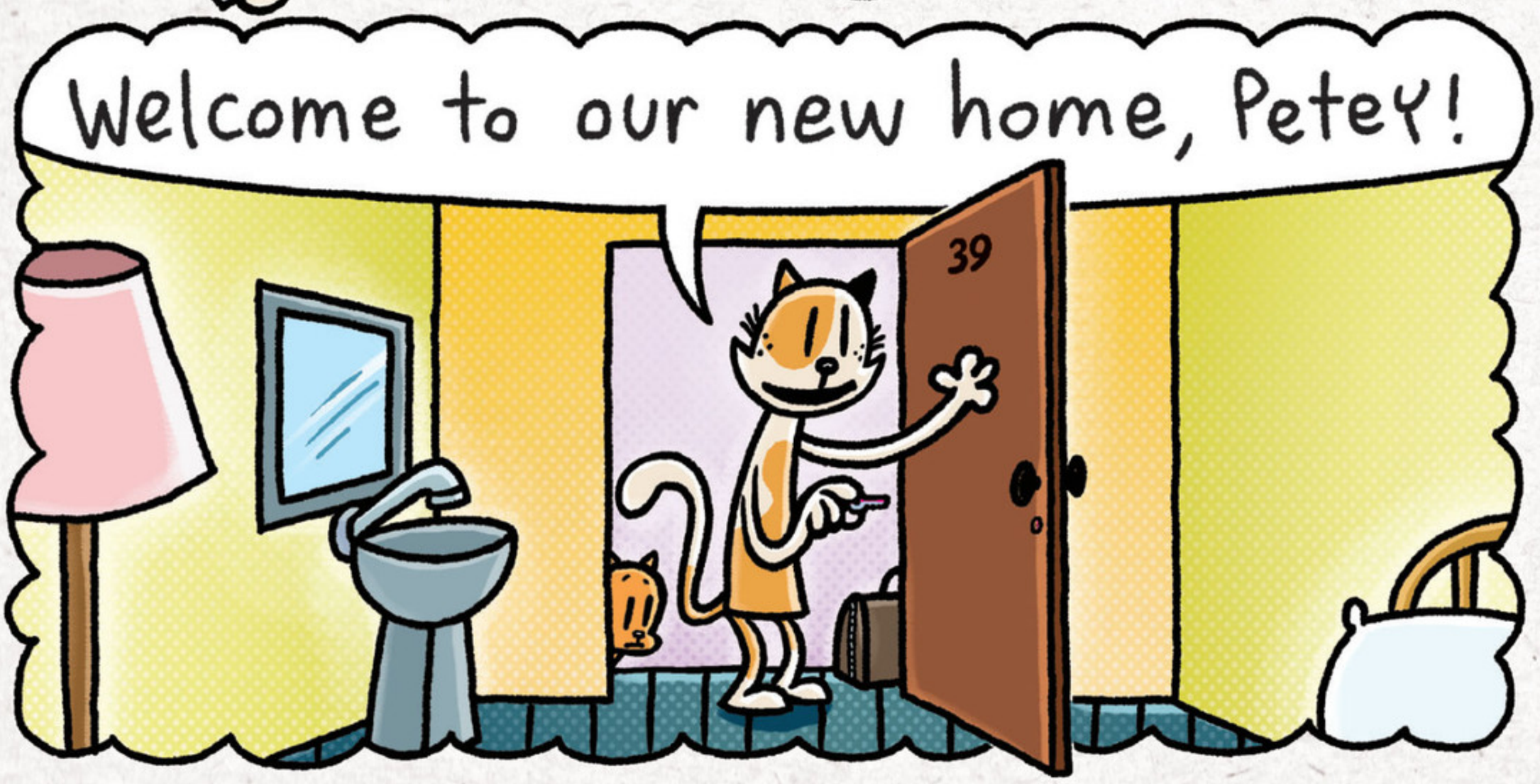
VROOOOOOM

HAPPY HOME SHELTER
WHERE KINDNESS RULES


Just You and the child?
Yes.

Sign here.




Welcome to our new home, Petey!
39

We have to live **Here**?

It's so **SMALL**!

There's no **TV**...

...no **Bedrooms**...

... and no...

... Dad.

Petey, I'm

HiYA!

I know Your name is **Petey**...

...because I heard Your Mommy call You **Petey.**

I have diarrhea.

Wow! You Guys Got **CHAirs?**

I Love ChAirs!!!

Did You Know You can make a **Fort** out of **ChAirs?**

You're my best friend!

HUFF PUFF PUFF

HUFF PUFF PUFF

Can I Jump on Your bed?

Um... Who **ARE YOU?**

Little Jim.

Where are Your Mom and Dad?

In Heaven.

Oh, dear.

Aw, don't be sad, Mrs. Petey's Mom.

My Momma told me:

We can ALWAYS...

... no, wait...

We can Never...

... Um — Control the wind...

...but, umm- Something, Something...

...and...

Was it: We Can't control the wind...

...but we can Adjust our sails?

Yeah.

What does **That** mean?

Beats me!!!

It means that we can't control **EVERYTHING**...

...but that's okay.

It's not about what **happens** to us...

...it's how we **React** to it.

We can always **CHOOSE**...

...to be strong...

...and Kind...

...and Grateful.

Can I have a huG, too?

Always.

HEY!!!

This is No time For sentimental FLASHBACK sequences!!!

We Need MORE ROBOTS, NOW!!!

HEY!!!

Did You HEAR Me?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

EXIT

Chapter 15

Pete Adjusts His Sails

YOU CAN'T QUIT!!!

Yes I can.

AIR SCUM

ROBO-Time INDUSTRIES

But You're A BAD GUY!

No I'm not.

AIR SCUM

But we have A CONTRACT!

CONTRACT

I, Petey the Cat, do hereby promise to work exclusively for Dr. Scum in exchange for a Dog Man A.I. Buddy. I hereby relinquish all liberties and rights to Dr. Scum. and/or Robo-Time Industries, LLC.

signed,

Petey

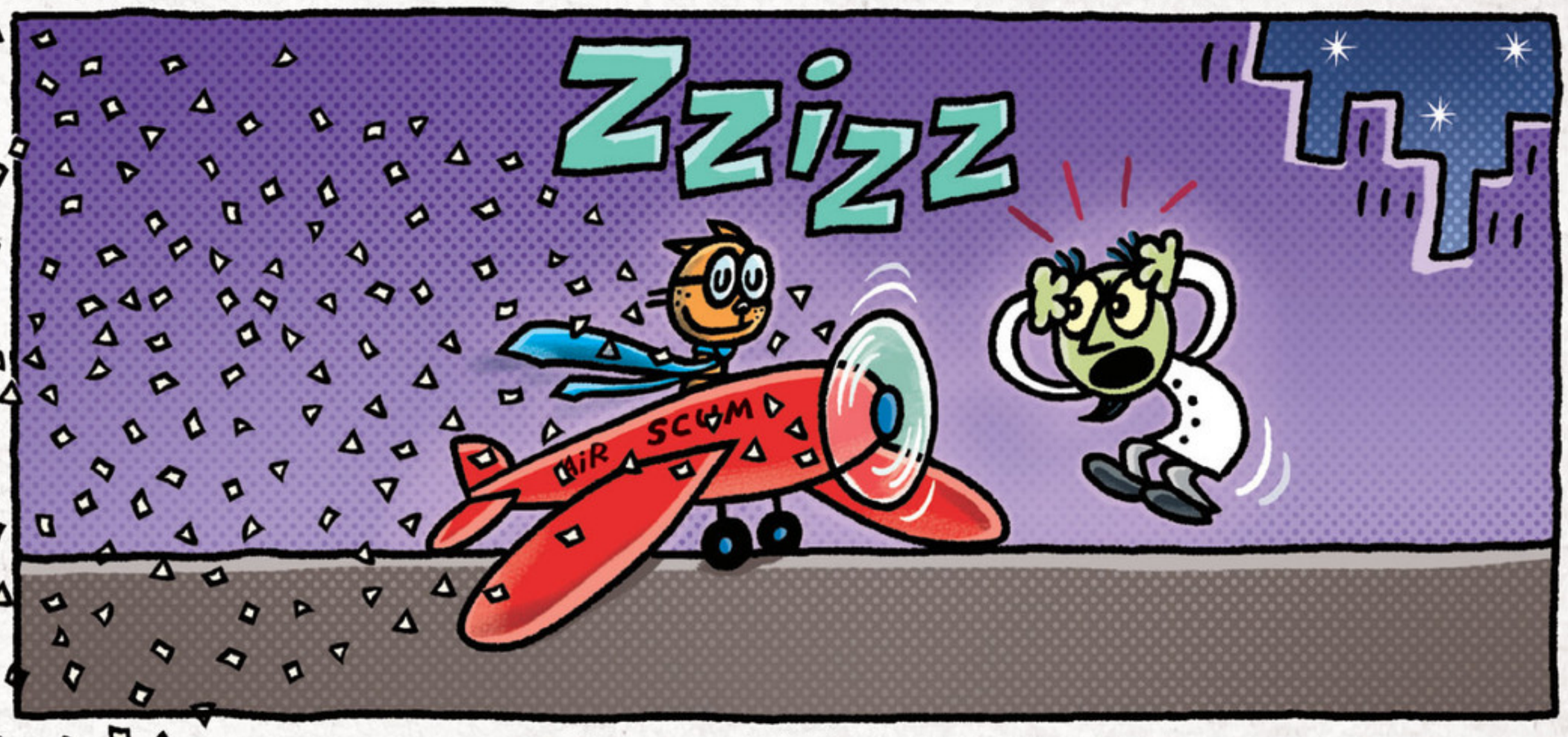
Putt - Putt Putt

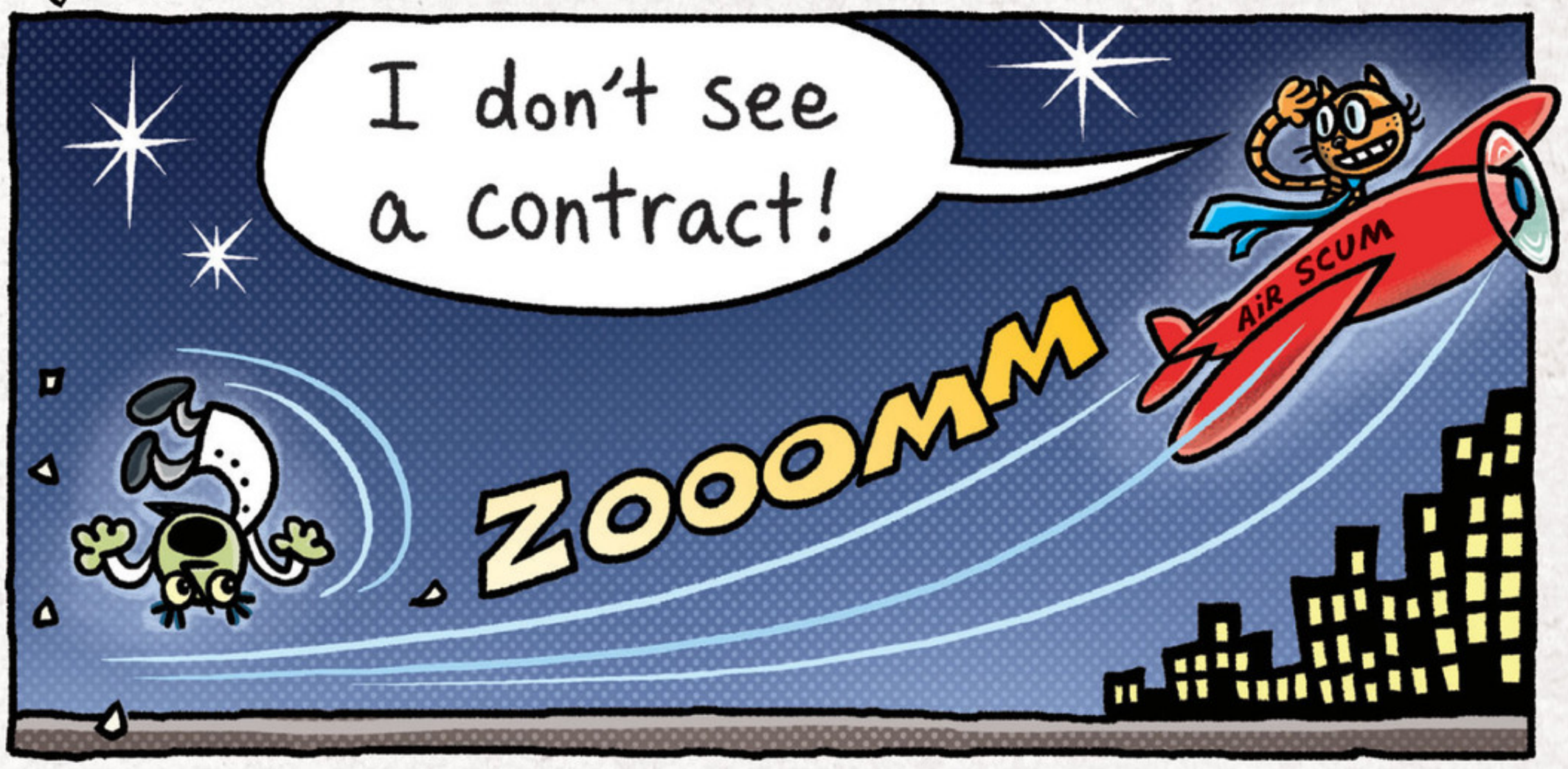
SCUM

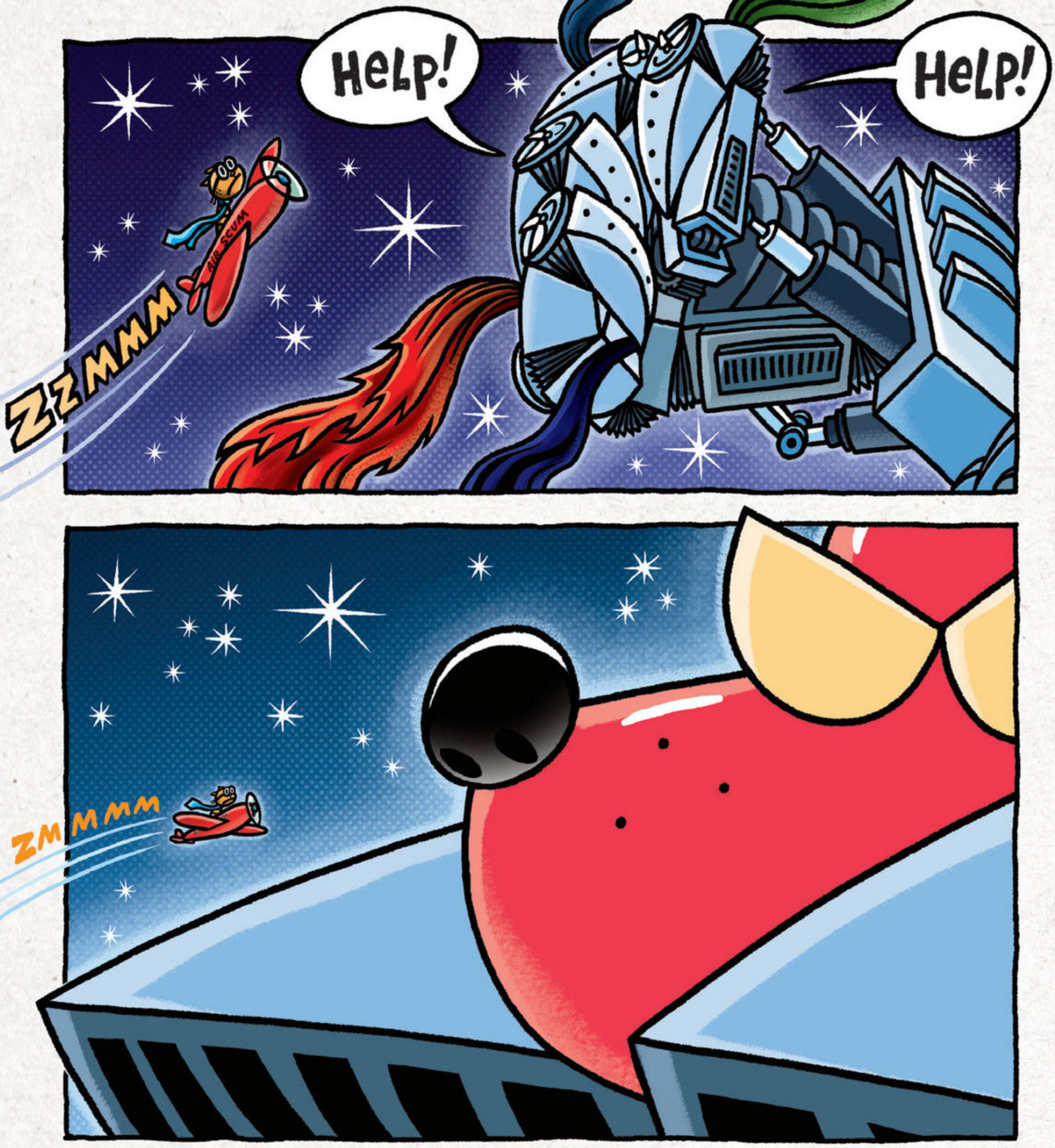
Putt Putt - Putt

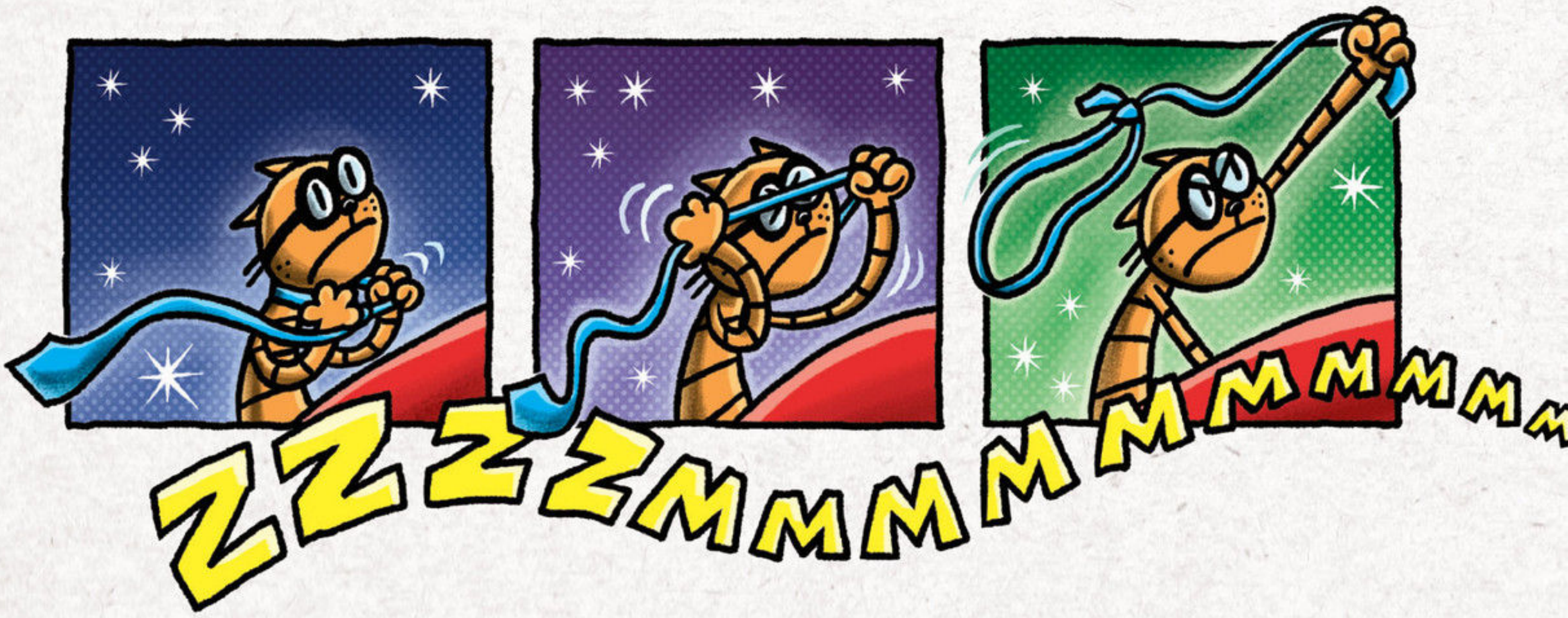
VRRRRR
CONTRACT

Whoops!!!
CONTRACT


Zzizz
AIR SCUM


I don't see a contract!
AIR SCUM
ZOOOMM


HELP!
HELP!
AIR SCUM
ZZMMM
ZMMMM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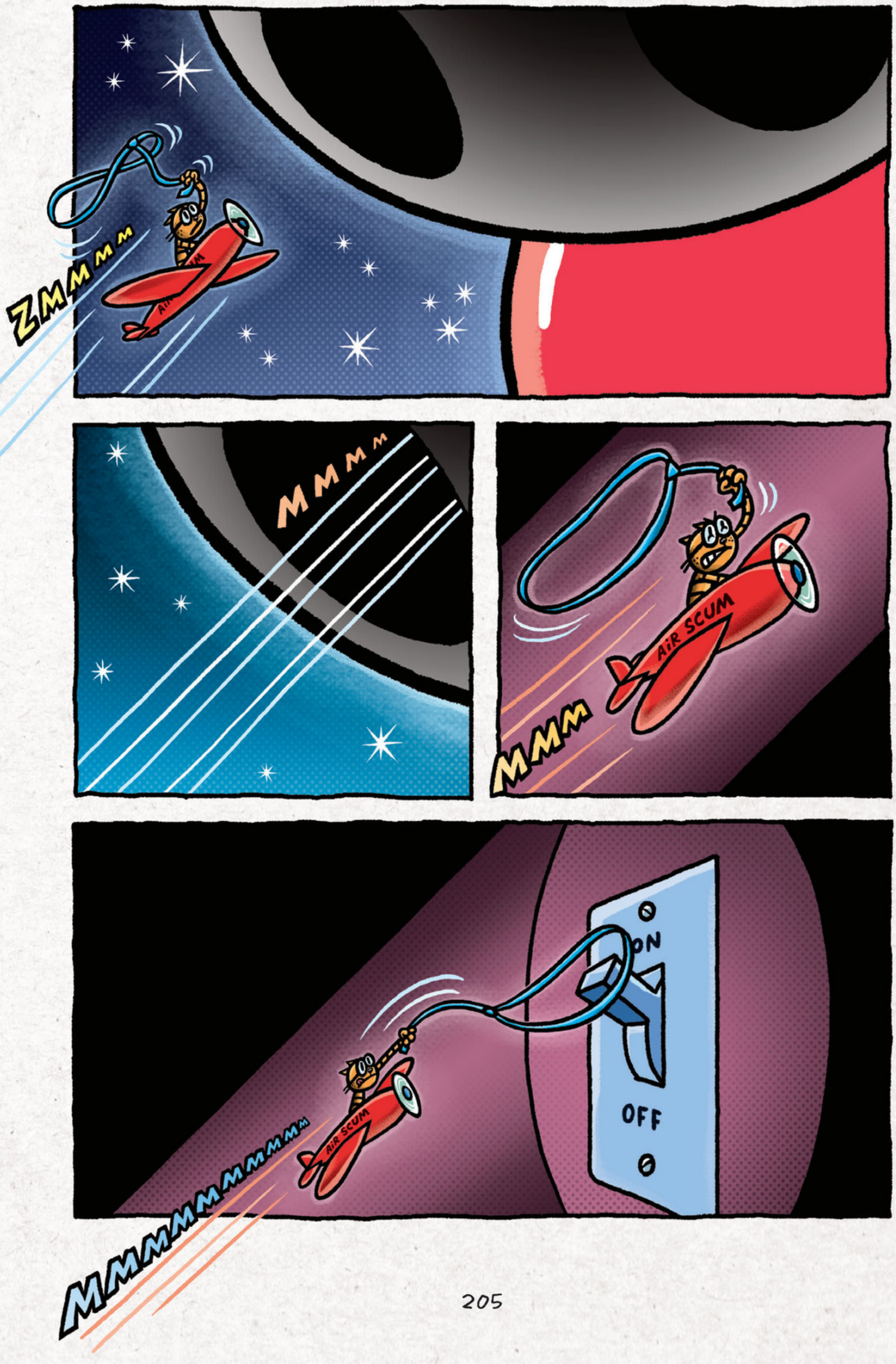
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MMM
AIR SCUM
ON
OFF
MMMMMMMMMMM
AIR SCUM

ZRRMMM

ON

OFF

AiR Scum

click

ON

OFF

ZZMMMMMMMM

AiR Scum

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Hey!

The force field turned off!!!

We Got our Powers BACK!!!

Uh-oh!

SHOOF

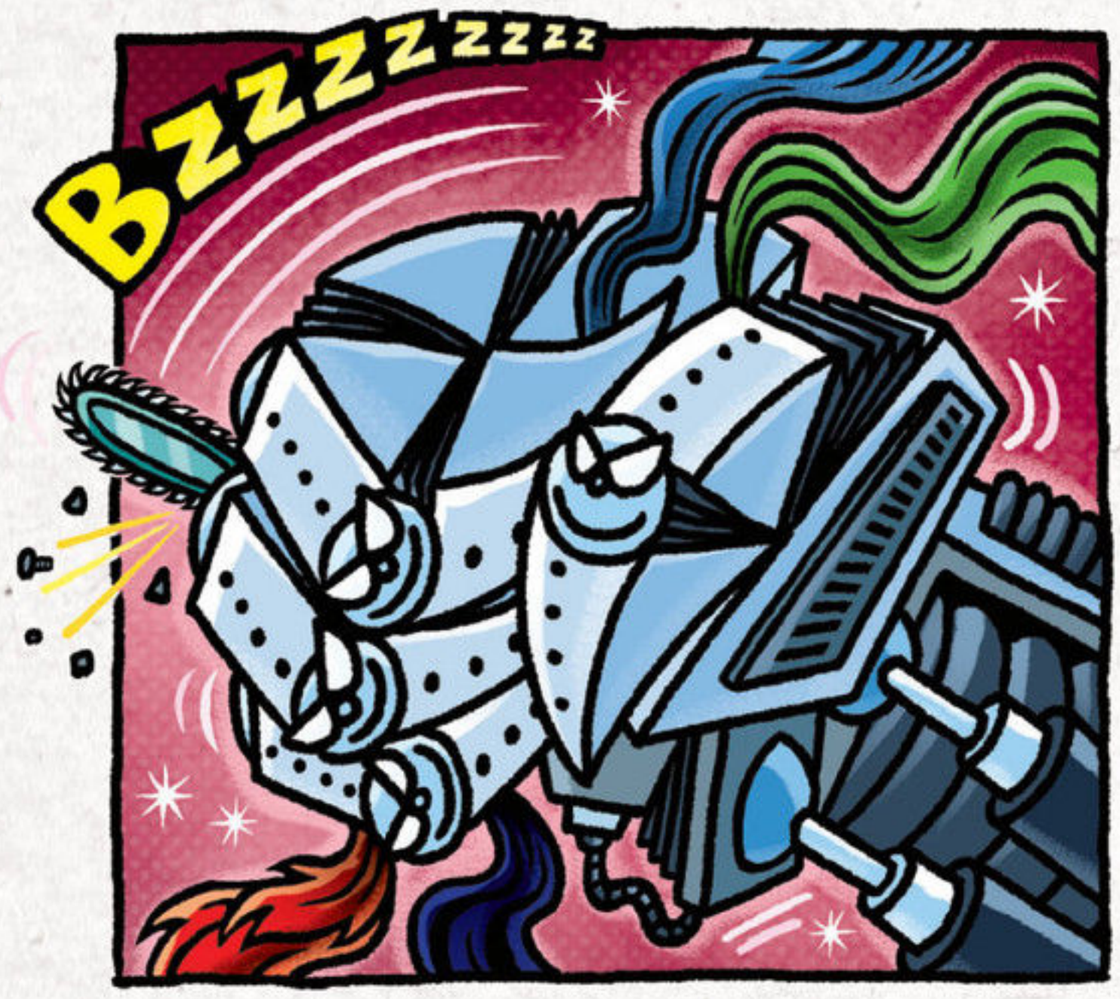
KA SHMUNK

SAY HELLO to MY LITTLE FRIEND!

KA GLONK

BRUMBUMBUMBUMBUM

BZZZZ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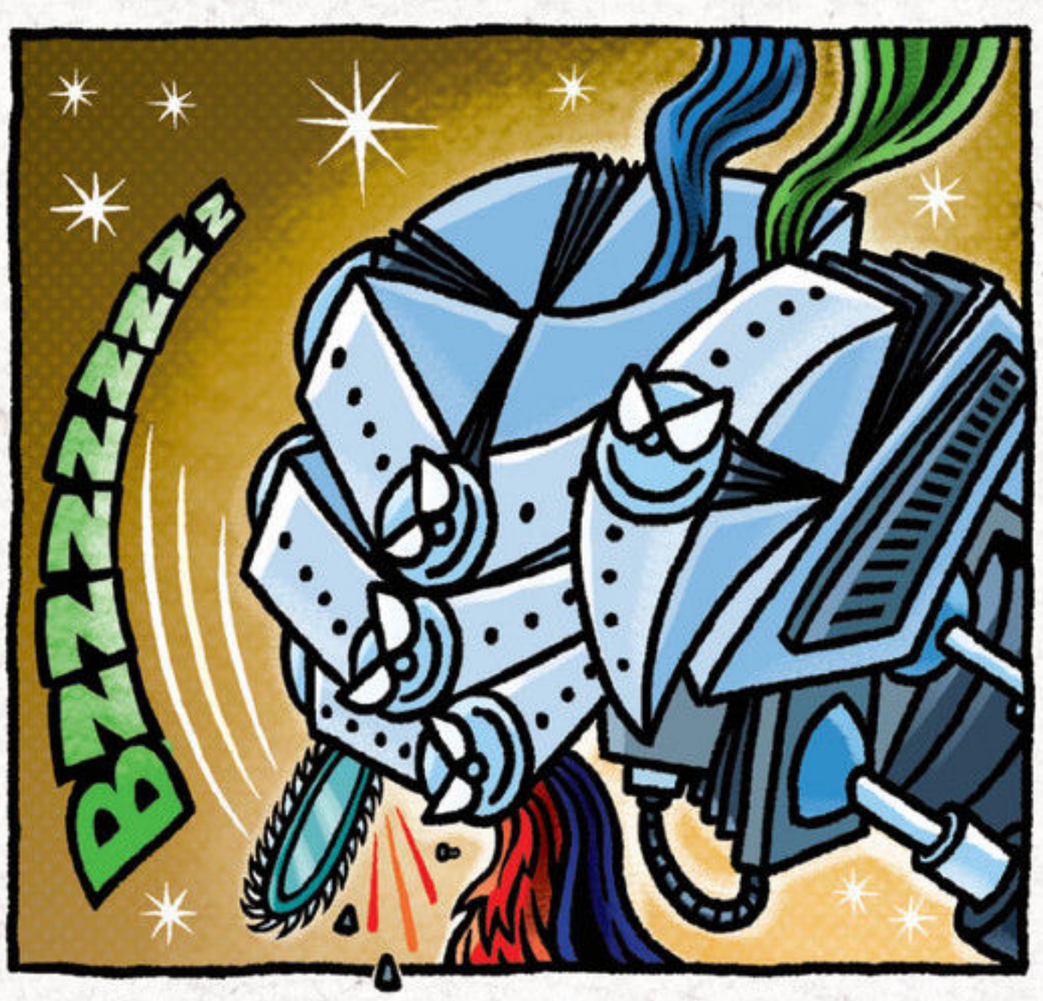
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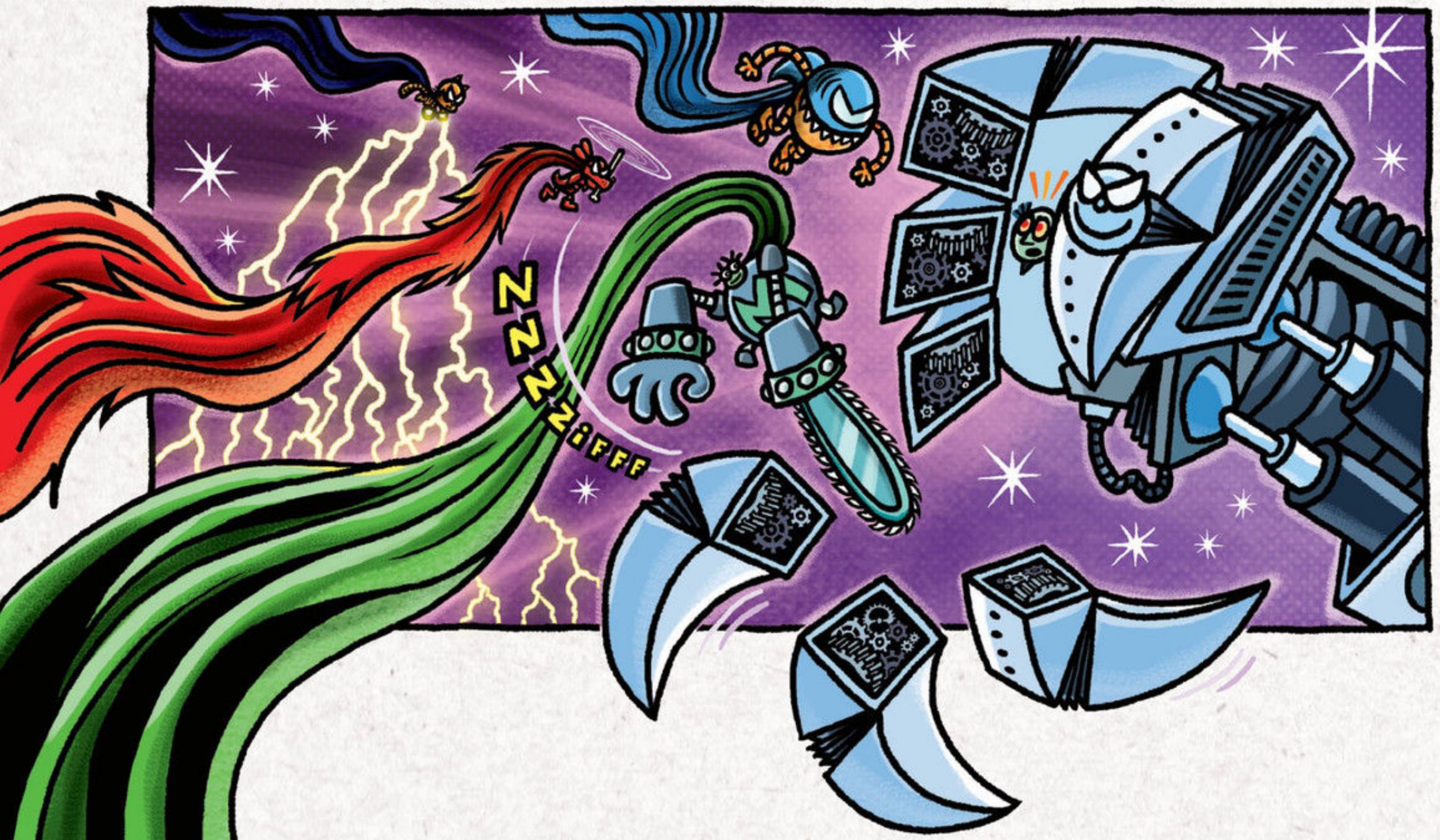
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Now, now, children...

...let's be sensible...

Okay!

I'll Knock some **sense** into Ya!!!

ZONG

KA-BOOM

NOOO!!!

You Just Blew UP My Life's WORK!!!

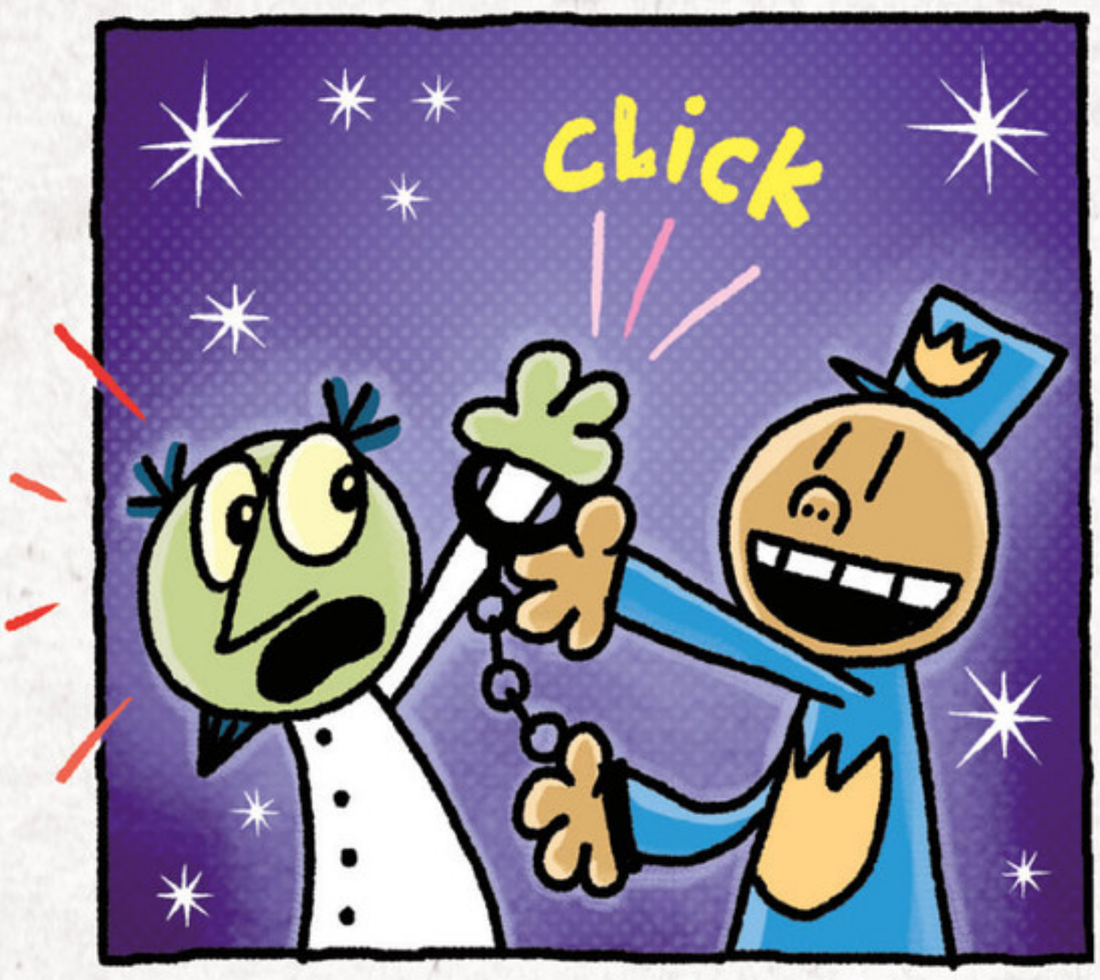
Who's that Guy?

SCRatch SCRatch

I'M DR. SCUM!!!

I've Been the BAD GUY For this WHOLE BOOK!!!

This WAS ALL MY IDEA!!!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Thanks for the CONFESSion, Dr. ScAb!!!

DR. SCUM!!!
Whatever!

Well, folks...

...another day has ended...
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...and **everybody** Learned a **VALUAble Lesson!**

Right, everybody?

Um- Yeah.

Sure.

Why not?

You Betcha!

Yeppers!

DANGER

Oh, Sarah...

...We're back from our **Honeymoon!**

I'll take my hat!

Meh.

Meh.

chief

Welcome home!!!

Thanks!!!

chief

Did we miss AnythinG???

chief

Chapter 16

Bedtime for Buddies

Hey, Look! Wally's Back!

My Name's Not "Wally"!

AiR SCUM

ScReeCH

I blew up the bad GuY, Papa!

Did Ya see me?

Yes, I did!!!

And I cut off his fingers!

Was that **REALLY** necessary?

Nope!

Well, Good night, everybody!!!

Chief

Let's all play Again Tomorrow!

FLIP FLOP FLIP

Where do You think **YOU're** GoinG?

To DoG Man's house...

...for Pizza and ice cream!

Right, Dog Man?

Hi-5

WhatEver!

Why the sad face, Wally?

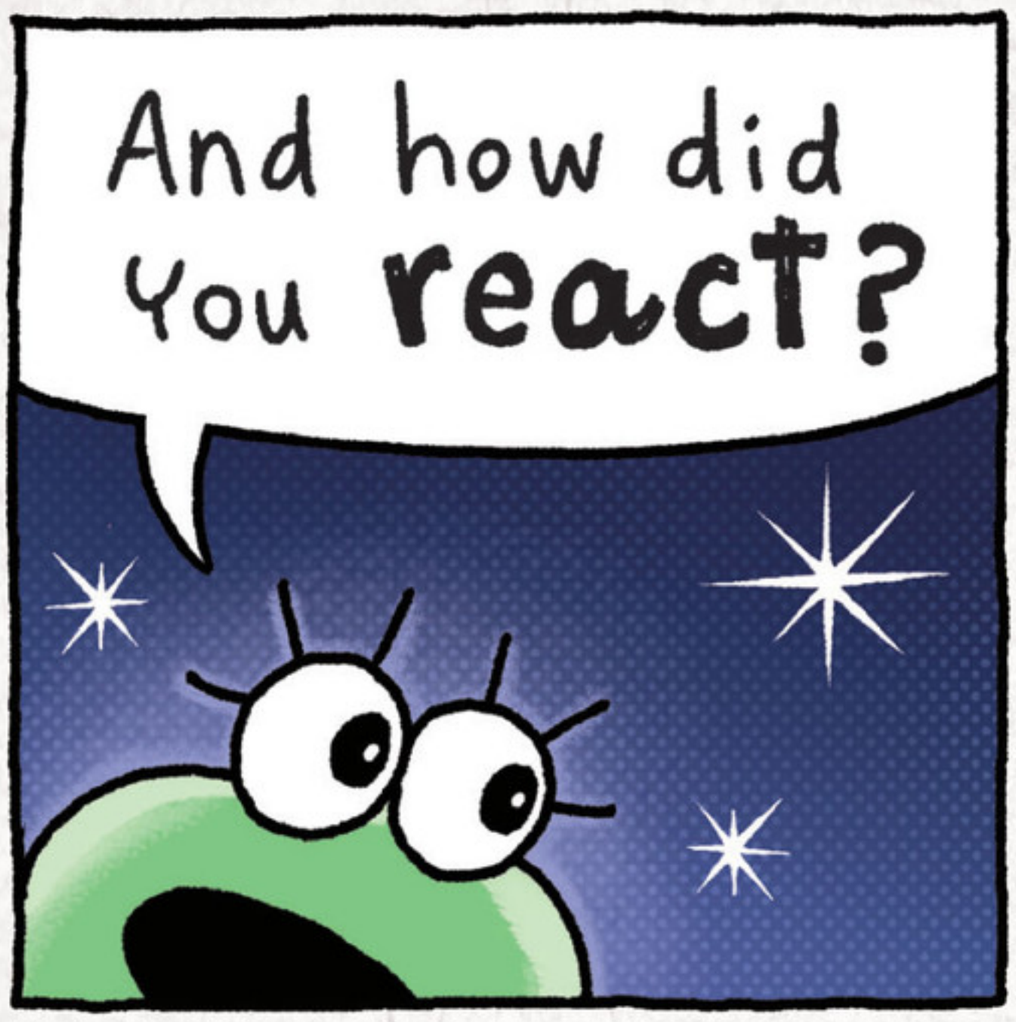
Yeah - what happened to **You** today, Papa?

Well...

I guess...

... it's not really about what ***happened*** to me...

... it's about how I **REACTED.**


And how did you react?

Like a Good Guy.

Wally...

...We knew it all along!

The End

FLIP FLOP FLIP FLOP FLIP

NOTES & FUN FACTS

Turpitude (Chapter 4) means "wickedness" or "shamefulness."

Bedford Falls (Chapter 8) is a fictional city where the movie *It's a Wonderful Life* (Frank Capra, 1946) takes place.

The giant Dog Man A.I. robot that begins to develop in Chapter 12 was designed and drawn by hand, but contains many visual inconsistencies. This was done purposefully, to reflect how A.I. often creates continuity errors in consecutive images (especially at the time this book was written and illustrated).

The speech from pages 165-169 is based on actual threats made by Artificial Intelligence (GPT-3).

An A.I. robot modeled after science fiction writer Philip K. Dick proposed keeping humans warm and safe in a "People Zoo" (page 188). Many people believe it was joking.

The machines on pages 190 and 191 are based on futuristic machines featured in the silent films *Metropolis* (Fritz Lang, 1927) and *Modern Times* (Charlie Chaplin, 1936).

"We can't control the wind, but we can adjust our sails" is based on a quote by Dolly Parton. This refers to sailboats, which have the ability to move in any direction, regardless of the wind. By adjusting their sails, sailboats can even move forward when the wind is blowing against them.

BONUS CONTENT: Check out Dav Pilkey's Epic Comic Club at PlanetPilkey.com starting June 1, 2024, for ALL-NEW FREE STUFF! Read new comics and Jokes, learn to draw Little Jim and Ninja Shark, and MUCH, MUCH MORE!!!

About The Author-Illustrator

When Dav Pilkey was a kid, he was diagnosed with ADHD and dyslexia. Dav was so disruptive in class that his teachers made him sit out in the hallway every day. Luckily, Dav loved to draw and make up stories. He spent his time in the hallway creating his own original comic books — the very first adventures of Dog Man and Captain Underpants.

In the second grade, Dav's teacher ripped up his comics and told him he couldn't spend the rest of his life making silly books.

Fortunately, Dav was not a very good listener.