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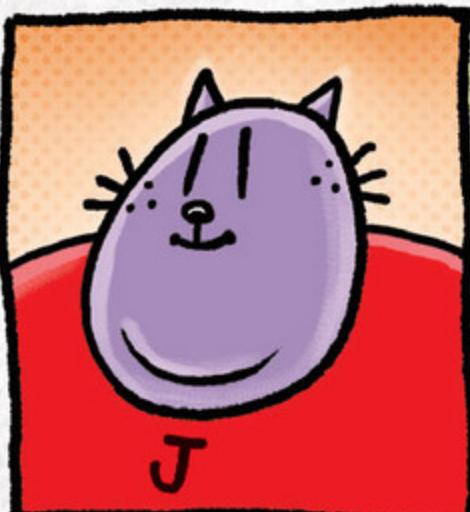


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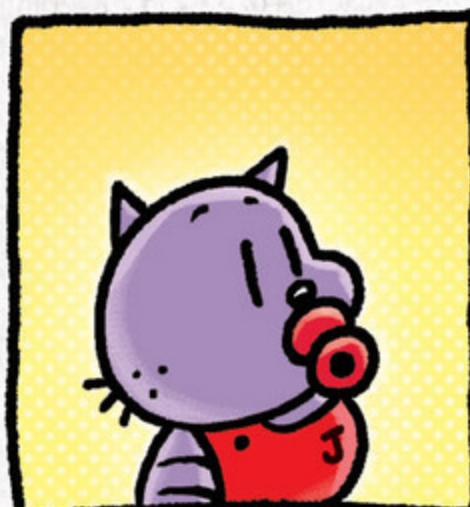
Meet The CAST



DOG MAN: Part dog, part man. He's his own best friend.



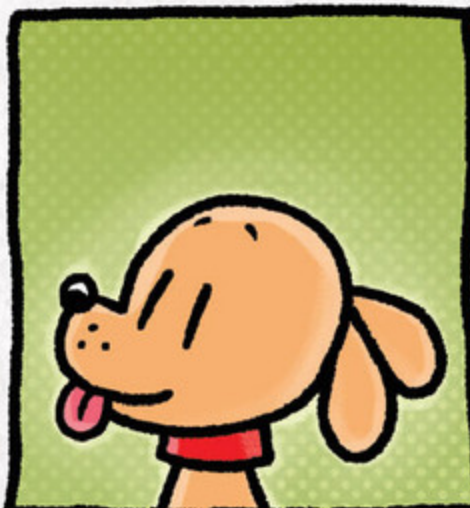
BIG JIM: He's got a big heart, and an even *bigger* imagination. During the day, he's a prisoner in Cat Jail. But at night, he moonlights as a Superhero named Commander Cupcake.



LITTLE JIM: Same as above, only this is him as a baby.



MOMMA & DADDY: Little Jim's loving parents.



GREG THE PUPPY: His keen sense of smell helps him sniff out clues in the Jr. Detective Club. His dream is to become a police dog. Also, to eat cake.



GRAMPA: He's not exactly a bad guy – Just a mean, selfish, egotistical guy. He is also Big Jim's Cellmate in Cat Jail.



DISCO GRAMPA: Same as above, only younger and groovier.



SARAH HATOFF & ZUZU: Sarah is the world's greatest reporter. Zuzu is the world's greatest poodle. Together, they get to the bottom of things.



CLARENCE BAILEY: He's the founder and boss of the Jr. Detective Club. His favorite saying is: "Oh, boy, this is gonna be GREAT!!!"



MRS. PIERCE: Manager of the Happy Home Shelter in Bedford Falls. She always does her best, even when resources are limited.



THE HELPER: Very little is known about this character, although she may be the key to saving the universe.

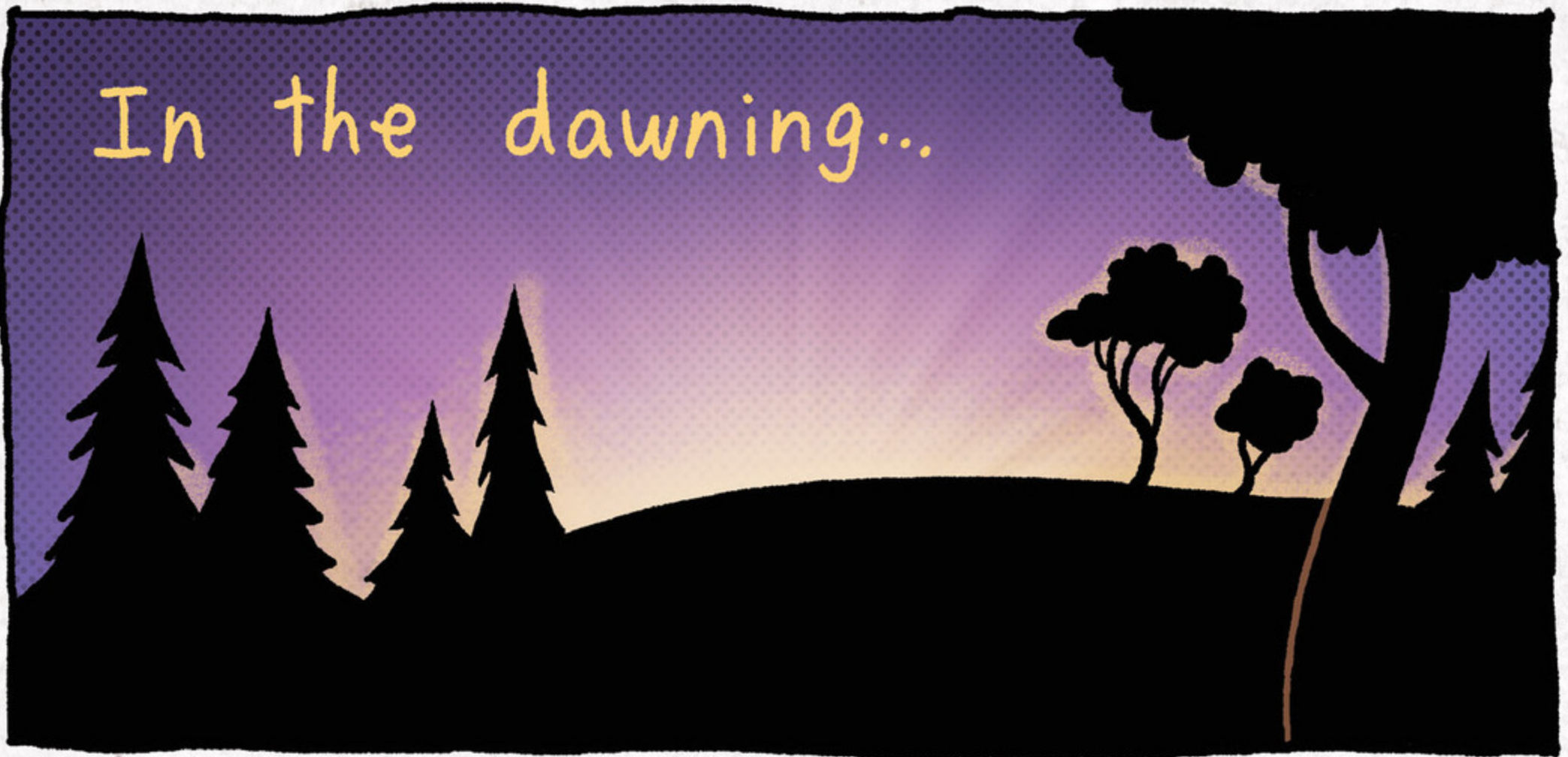
To Dorian Horvat
and his family

CHAPTER 1

WAKELY WAKELY



In the dawning...



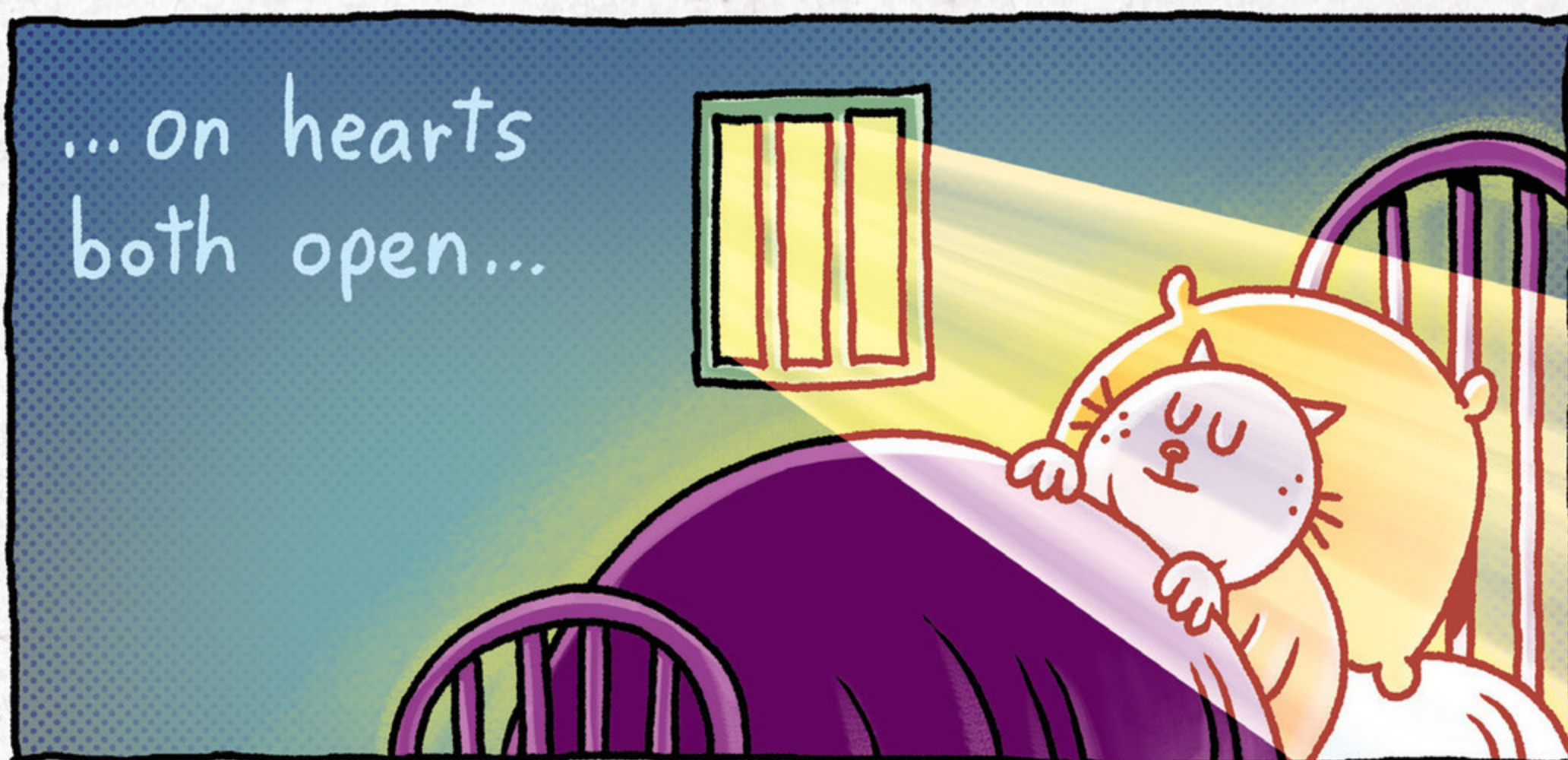
...as the sun rises...



...and shines her glory...



... on hearts
both open...

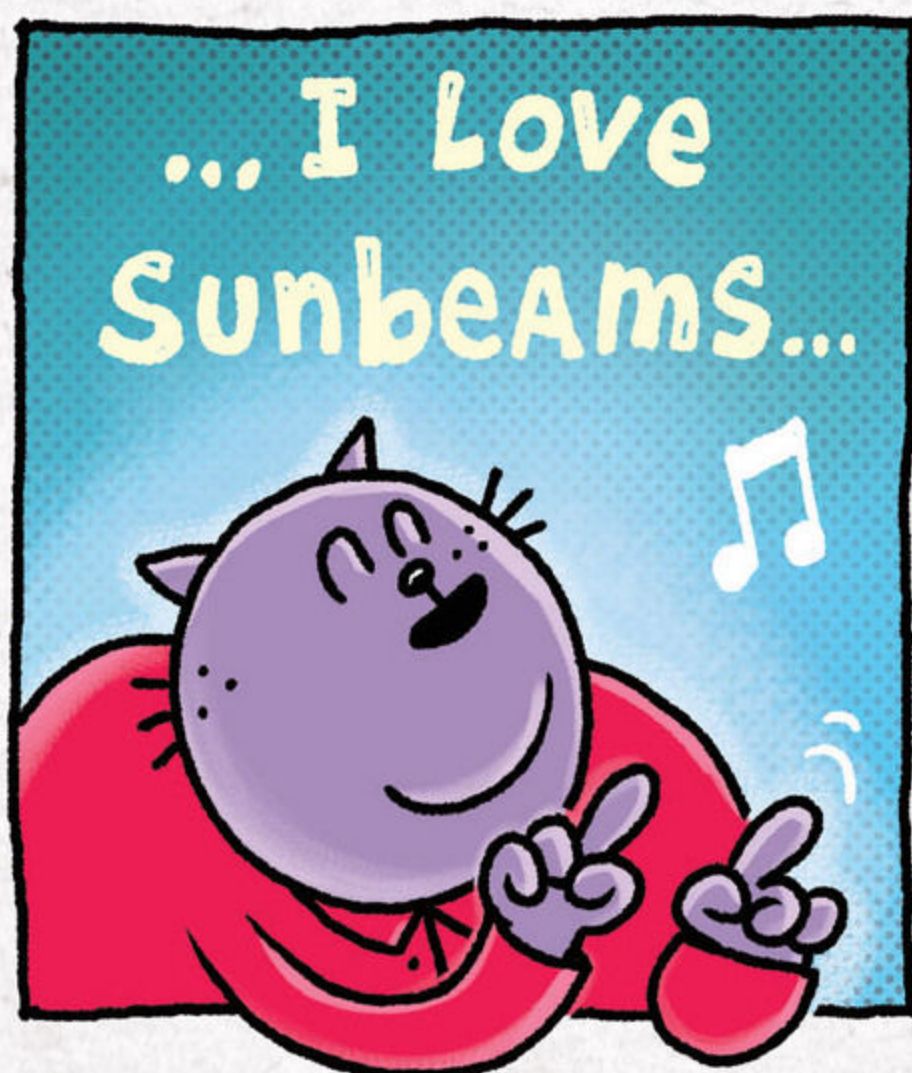
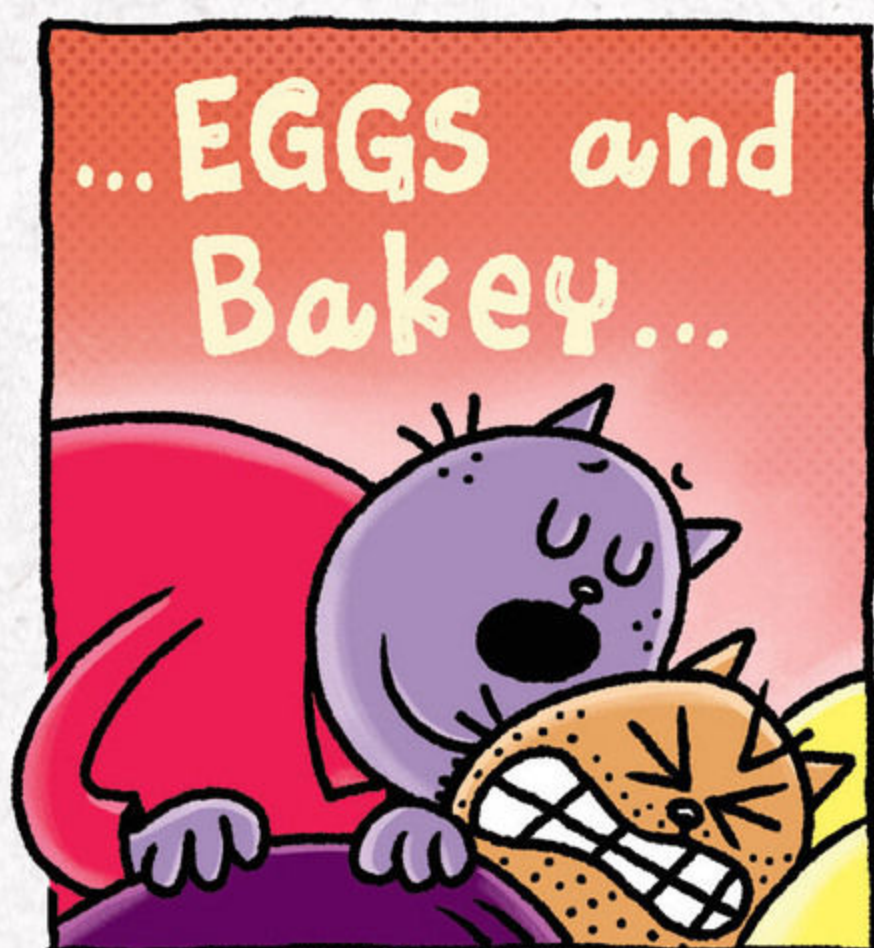


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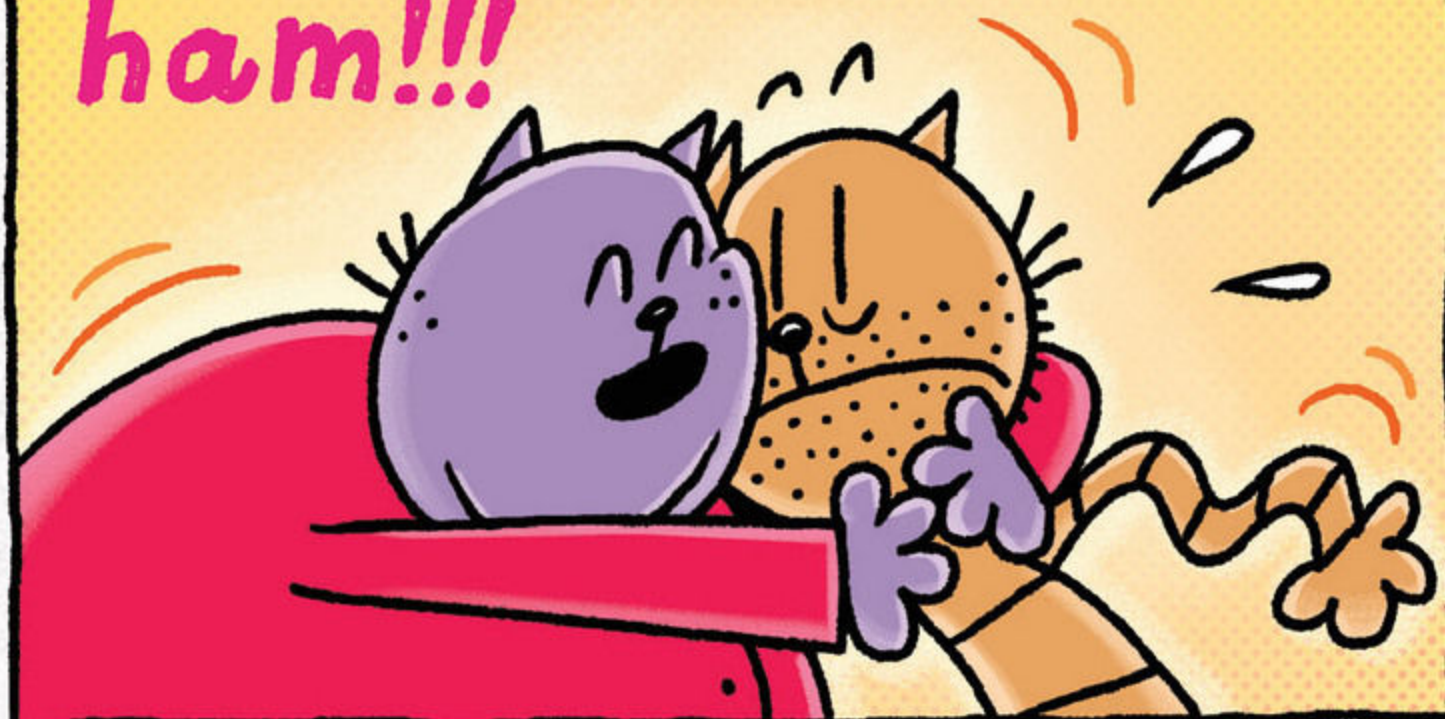


... our tale
begins.





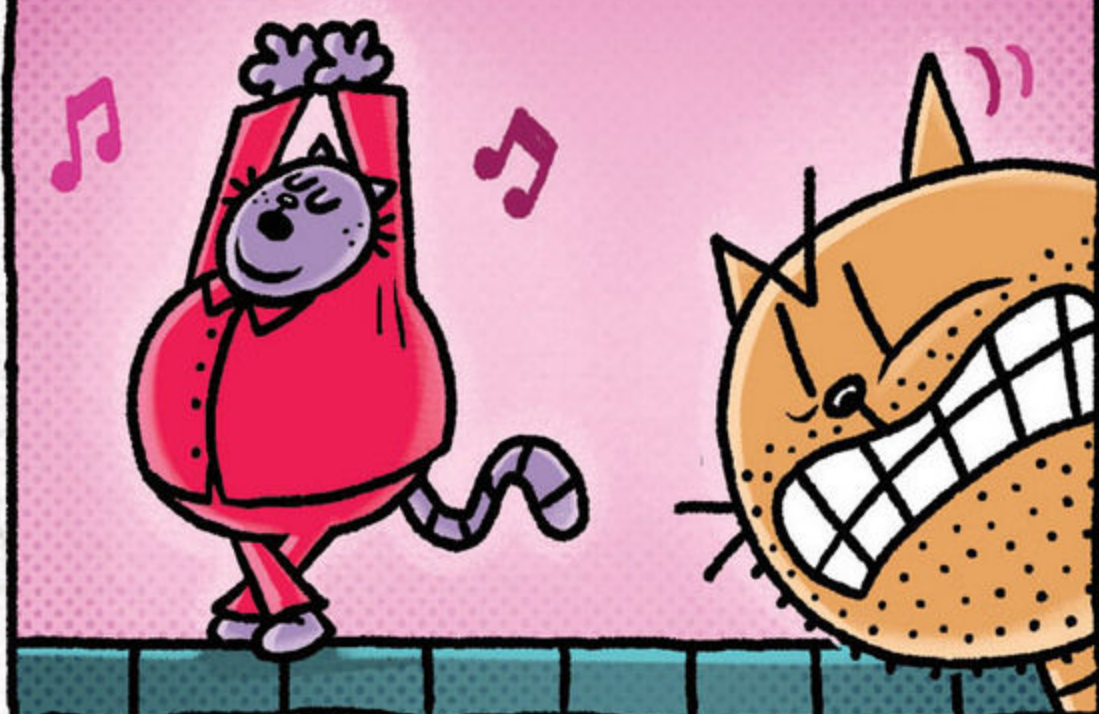
...I Love beans and
ham!!!



Oh...



...Wakey, wakey...



...Frosted
FLAkey...



...FLOATing...



...in my...

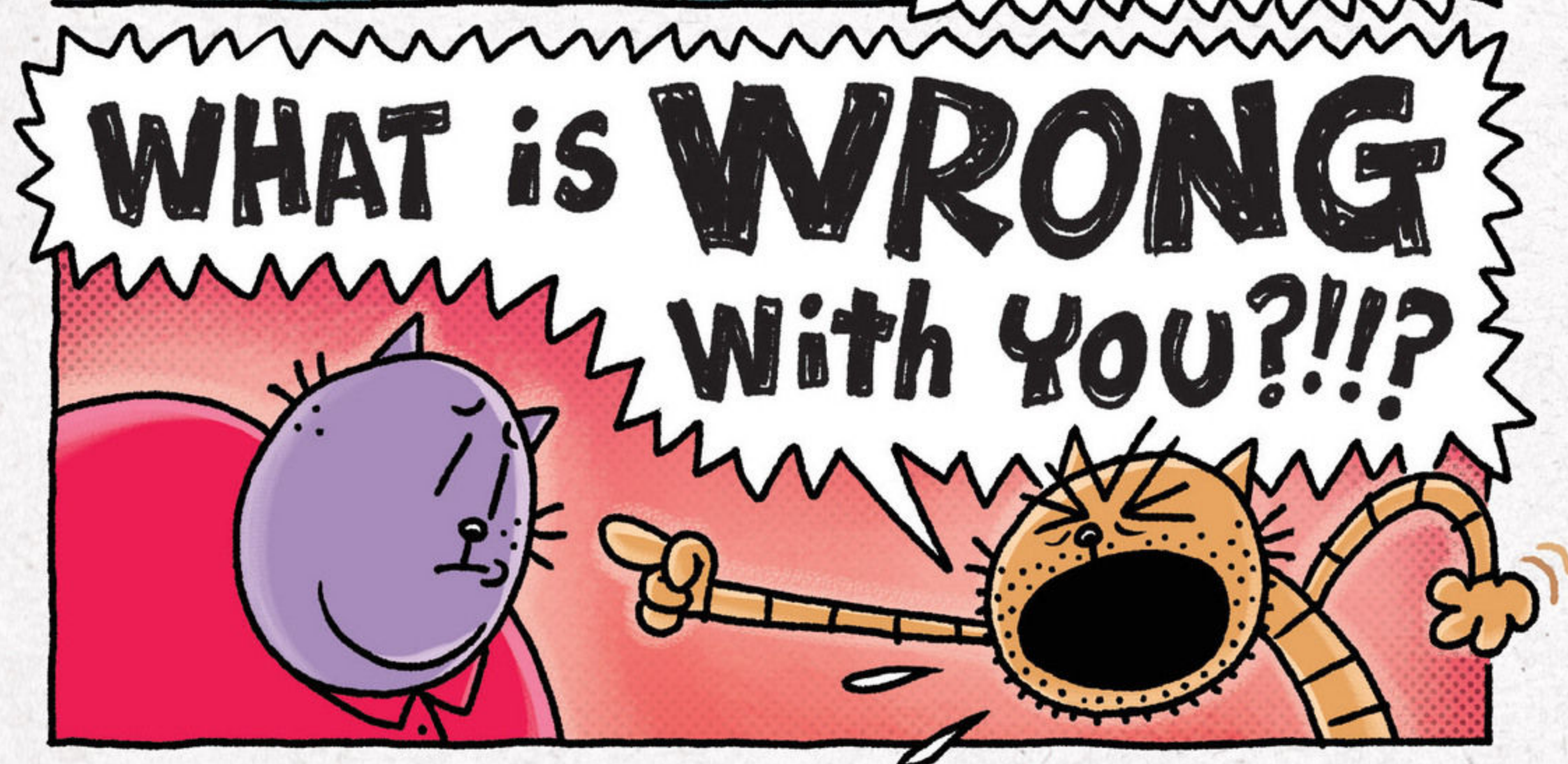


...bowl...

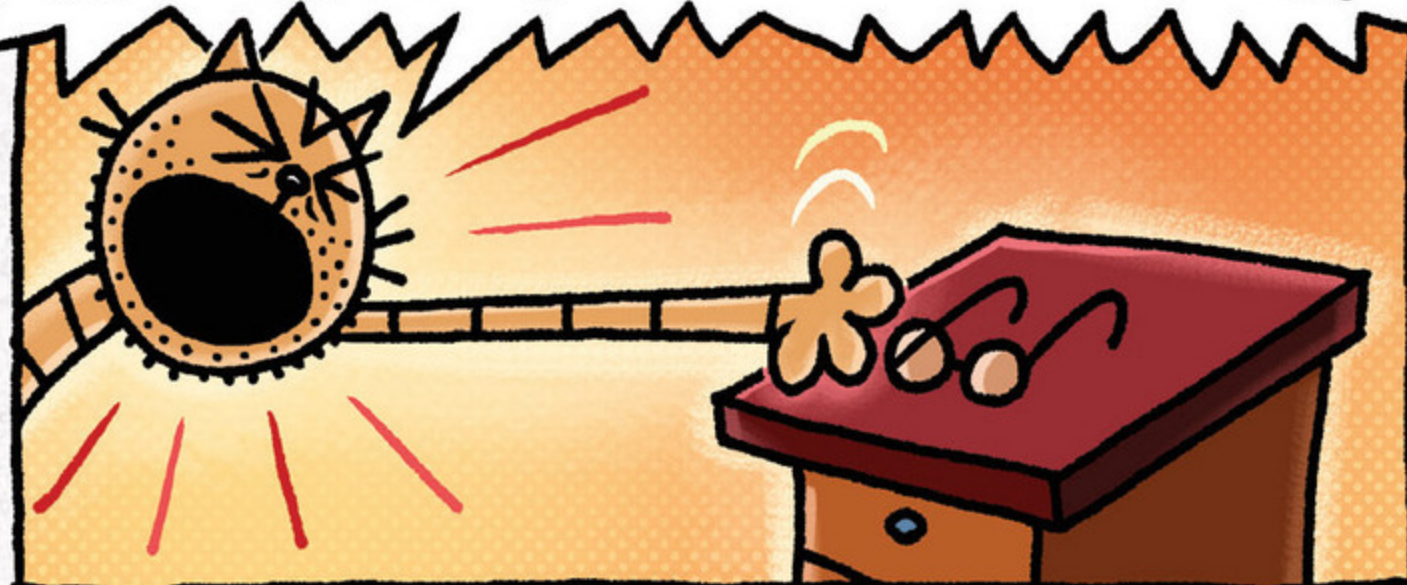




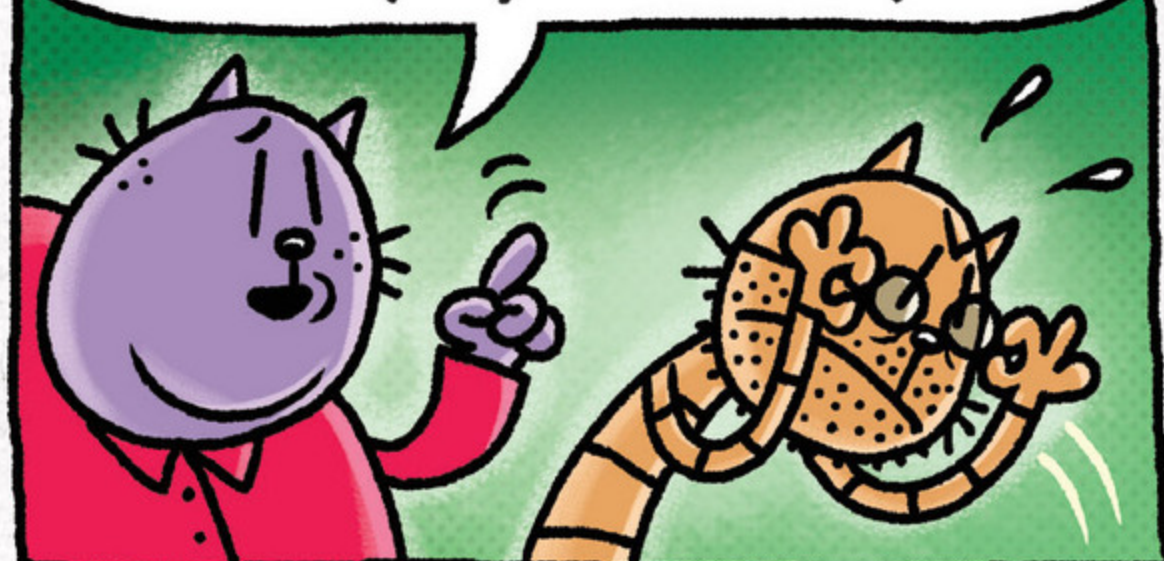
**WOULD
You CUT
That
OUT?!?!?**



It's Six O'clock
in the MORNING!!!



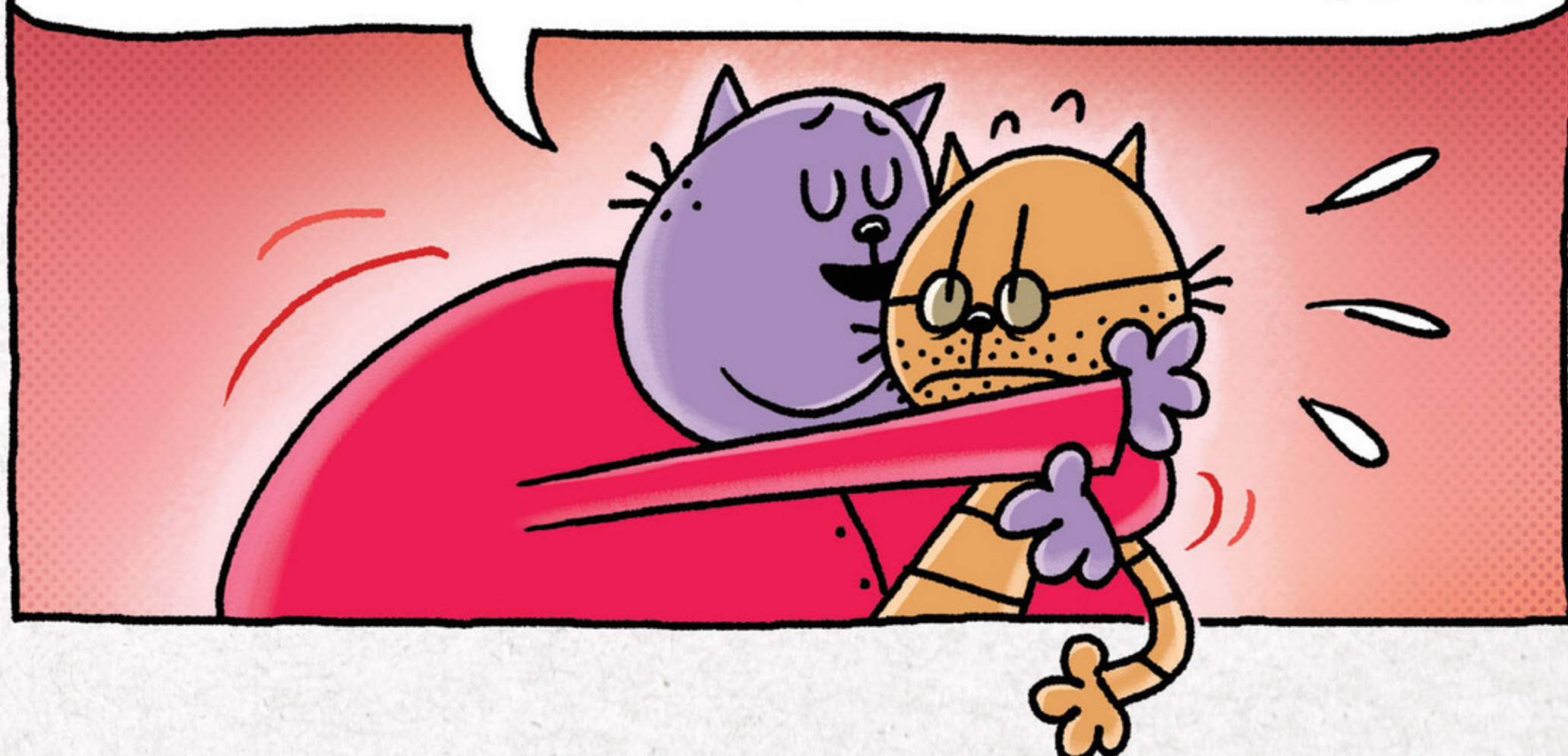
...don't be
Grumpy, Grampa!

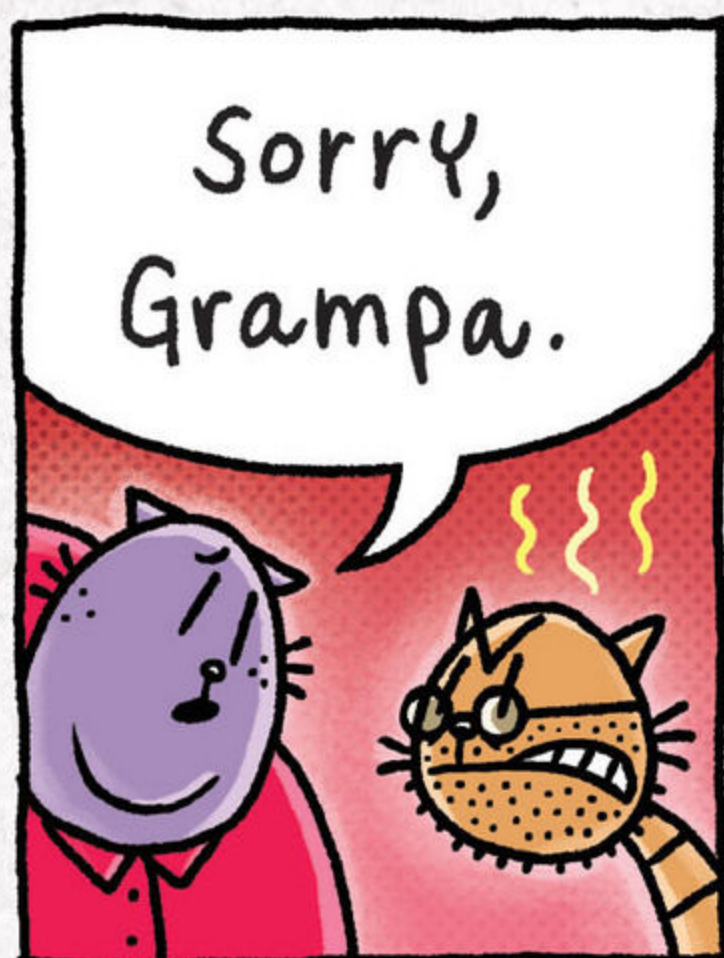


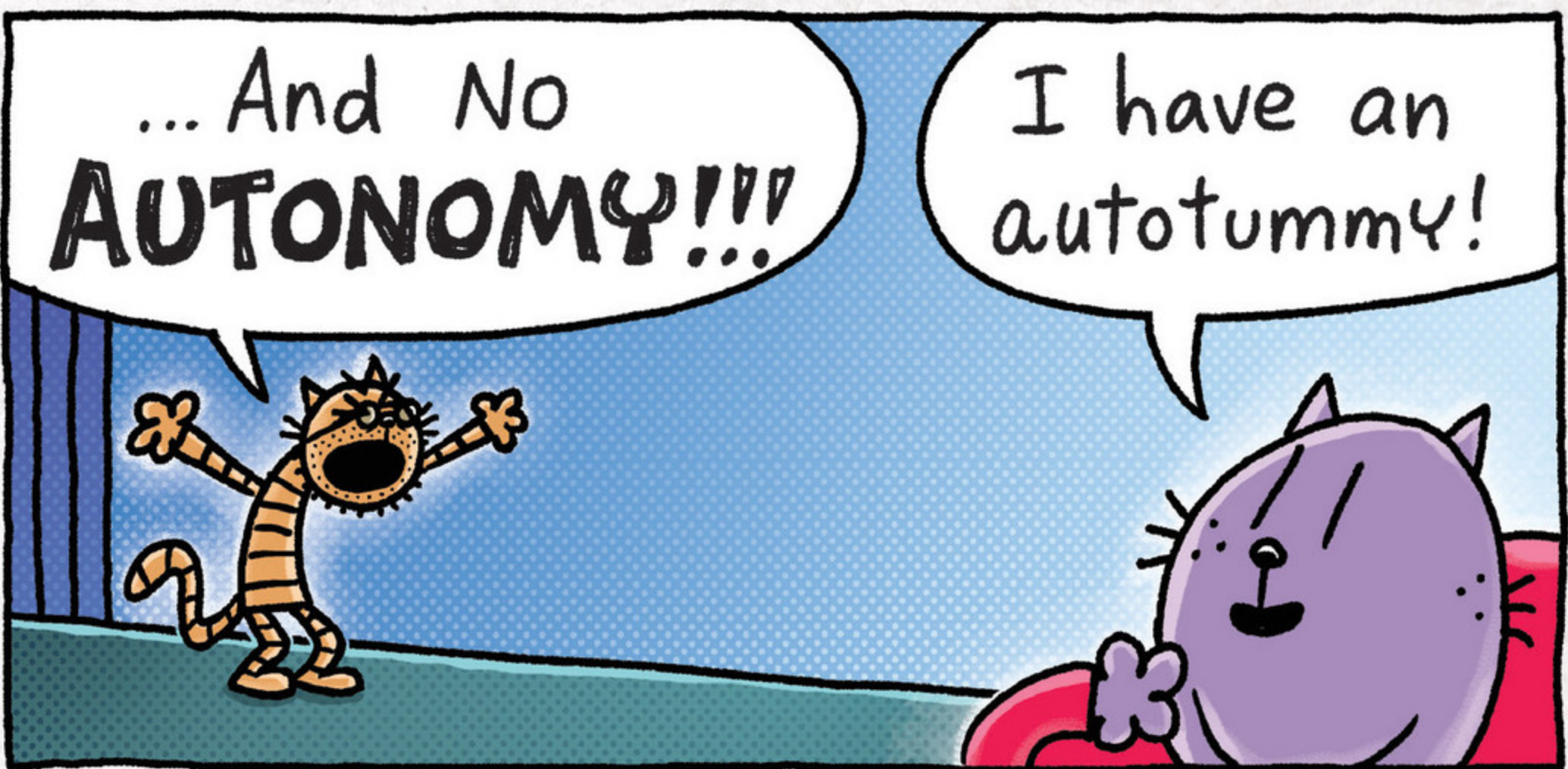
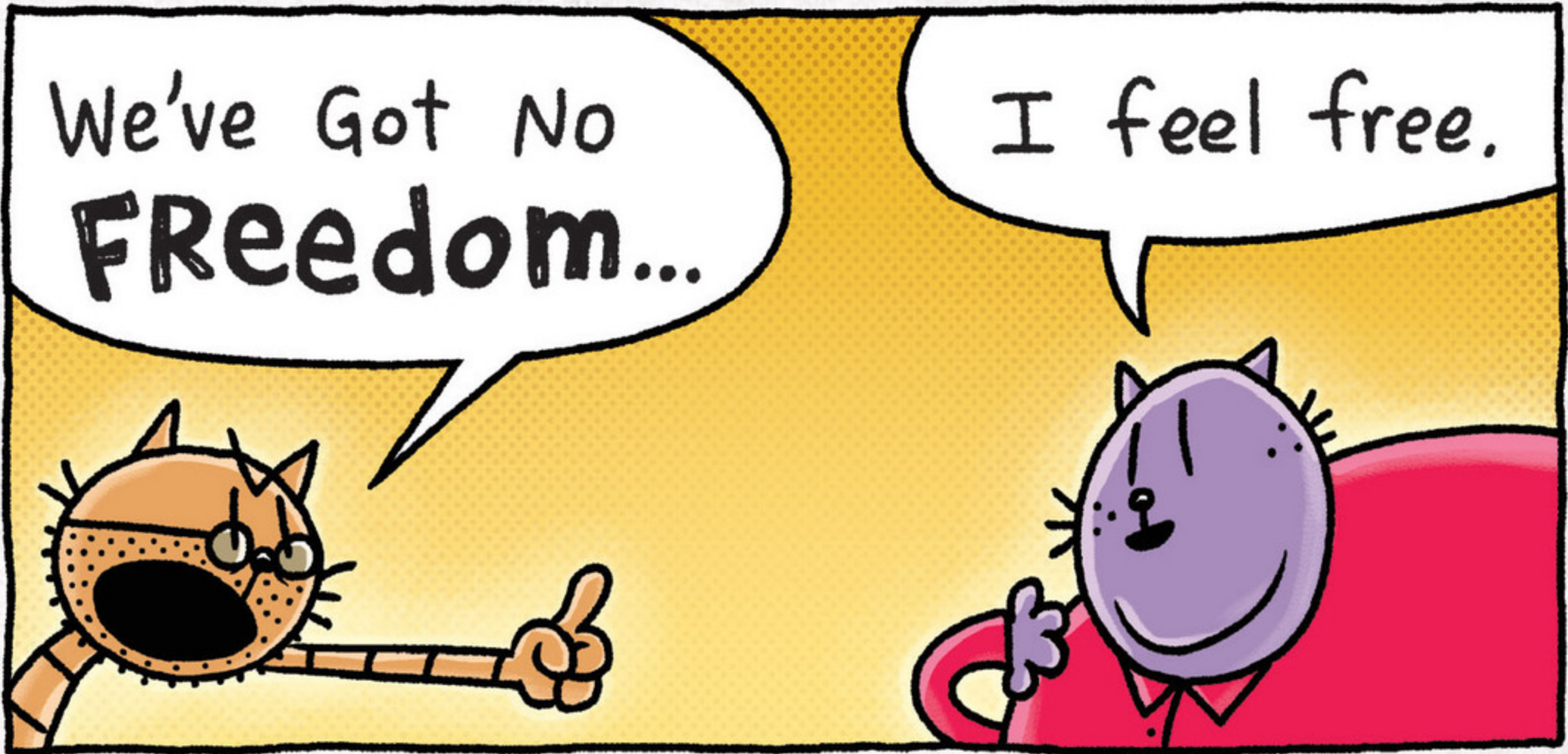
Let's not
forget...



...The early bird Gets the **HUGS!!!**



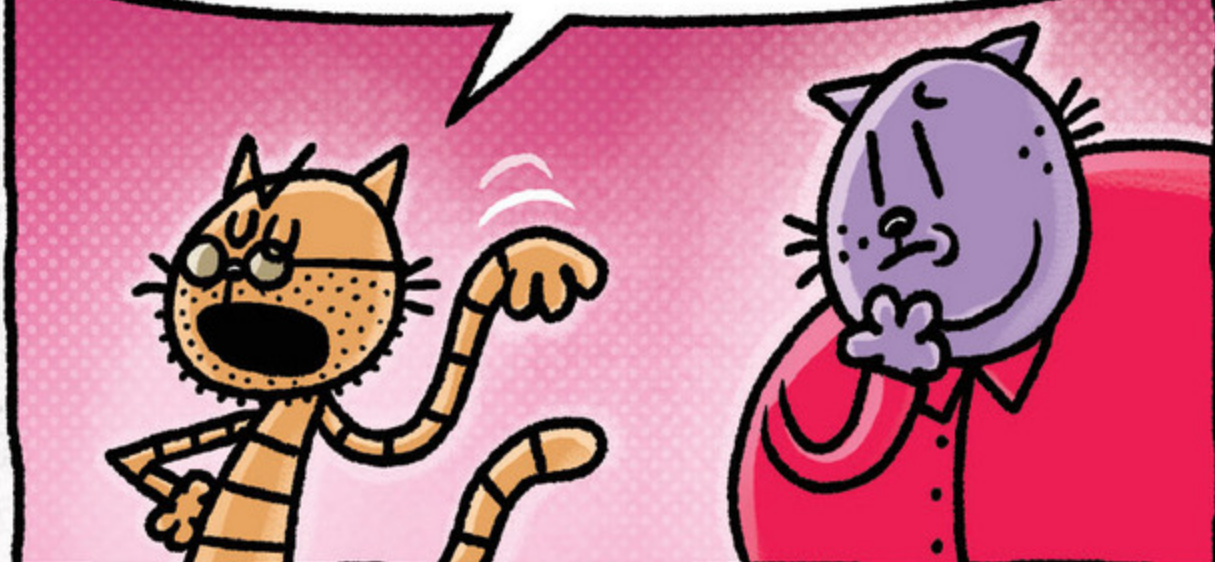




Aw, what's
the use?



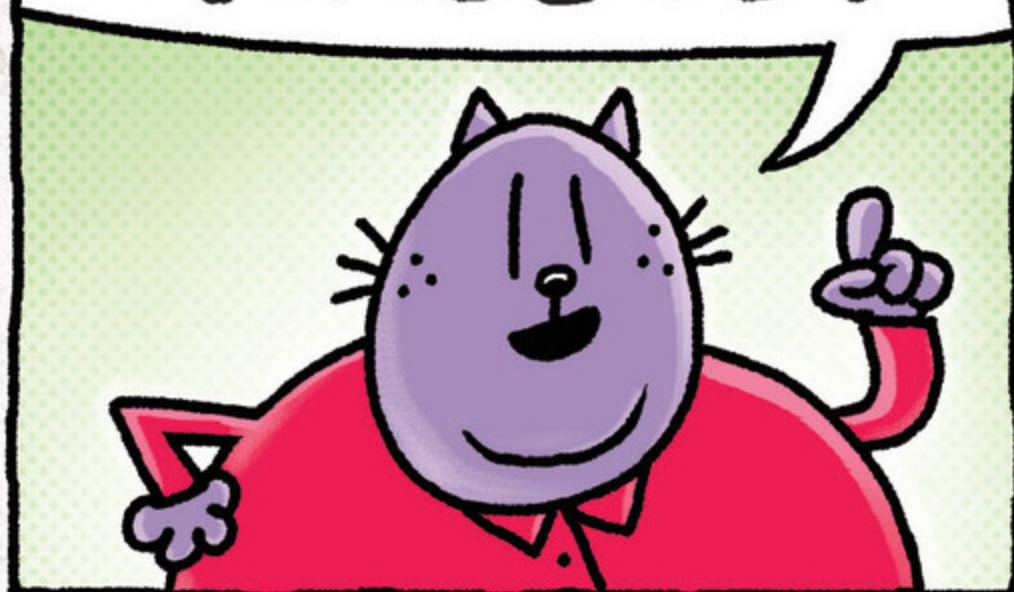
You'll **Never** see
Things **CLEARLY!!!**



I Guess You're
right, Grampa.



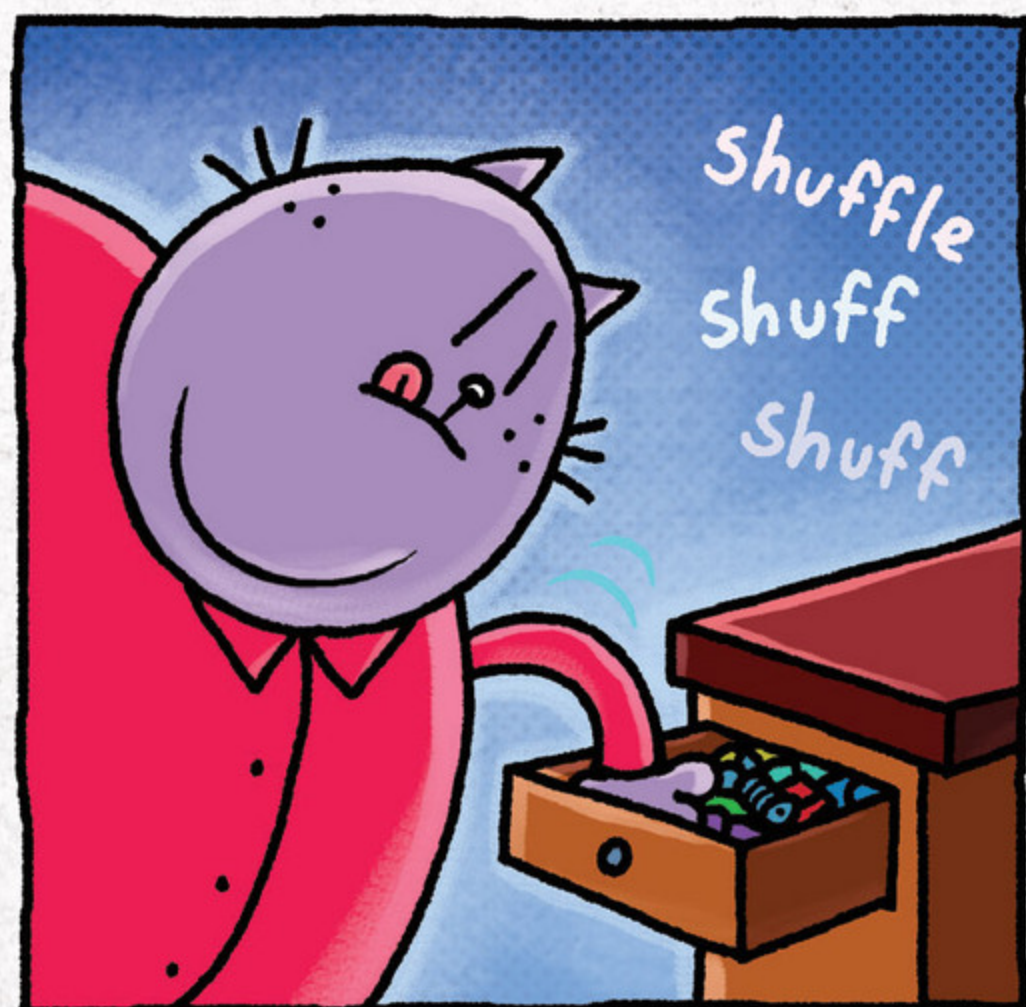
I need my
GLASSES!

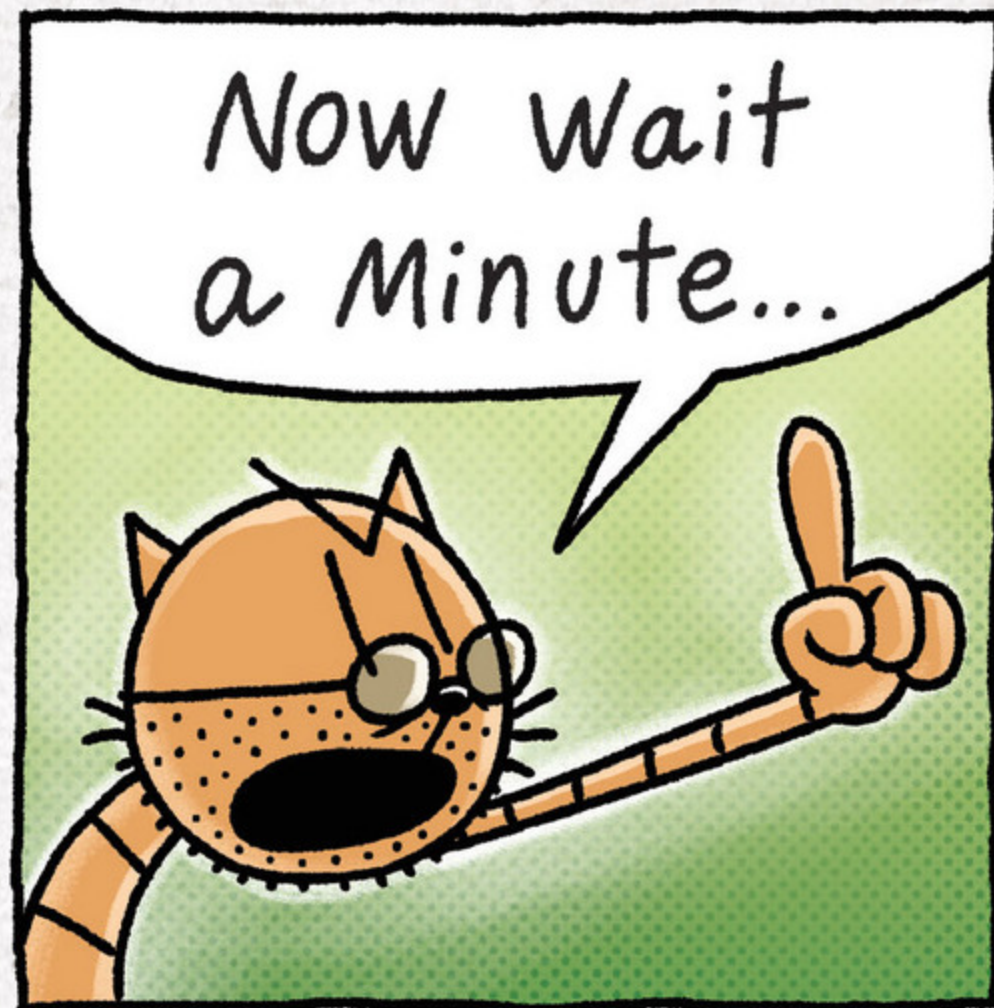
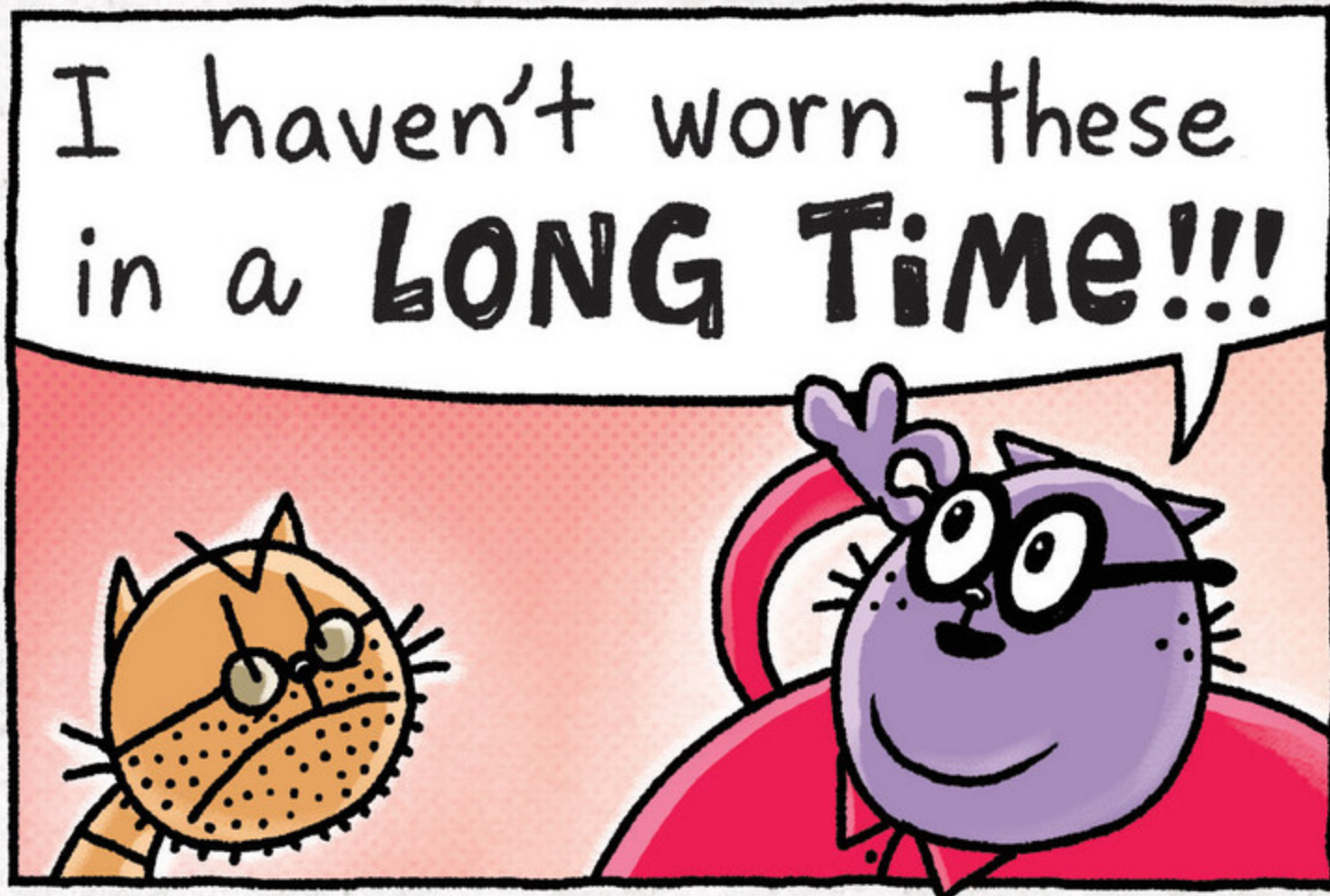
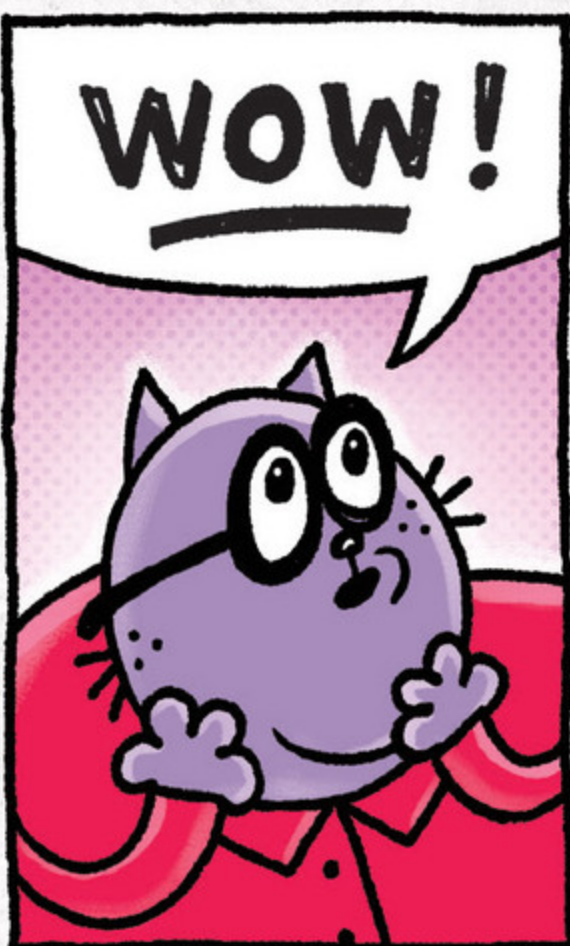
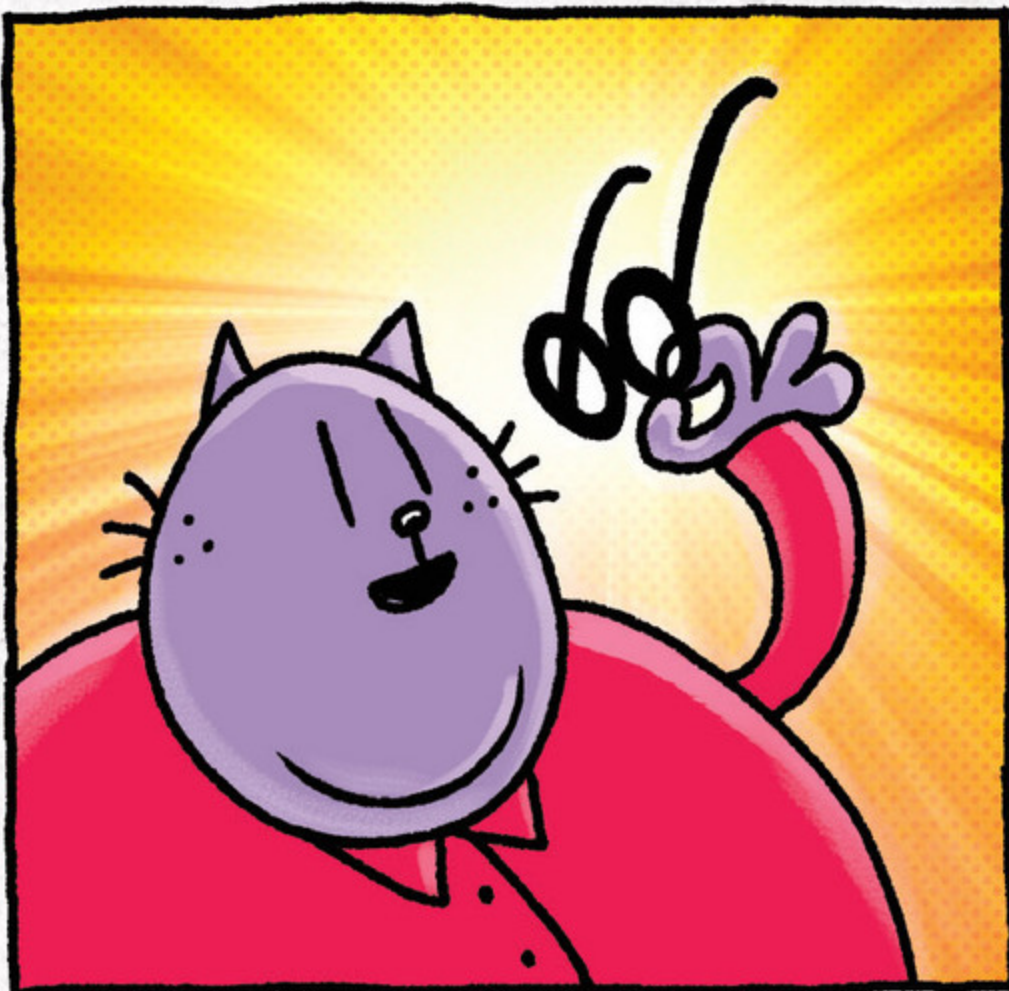


Huff Puff puff



Shuffle
shuff
shuff

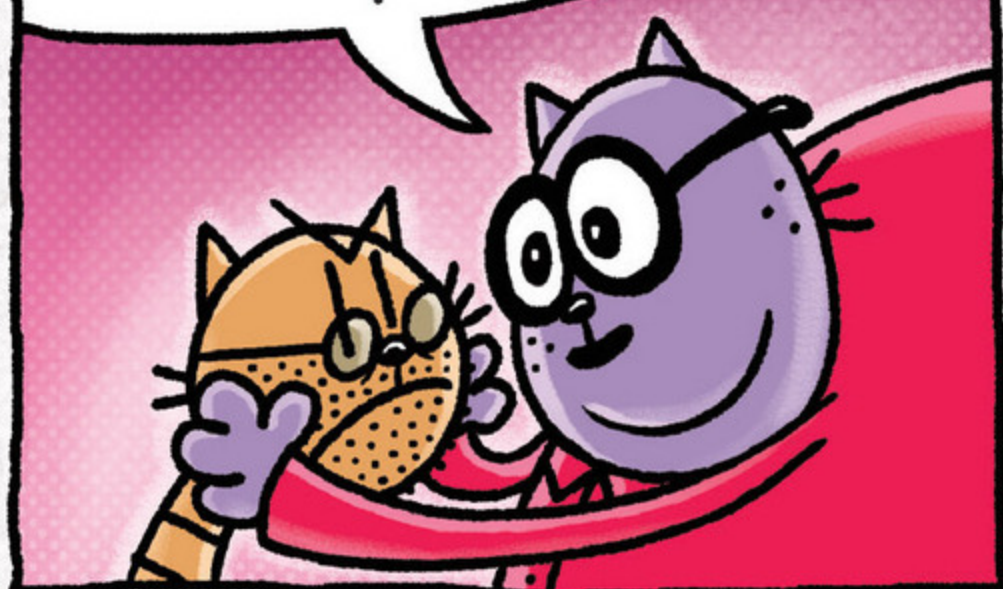




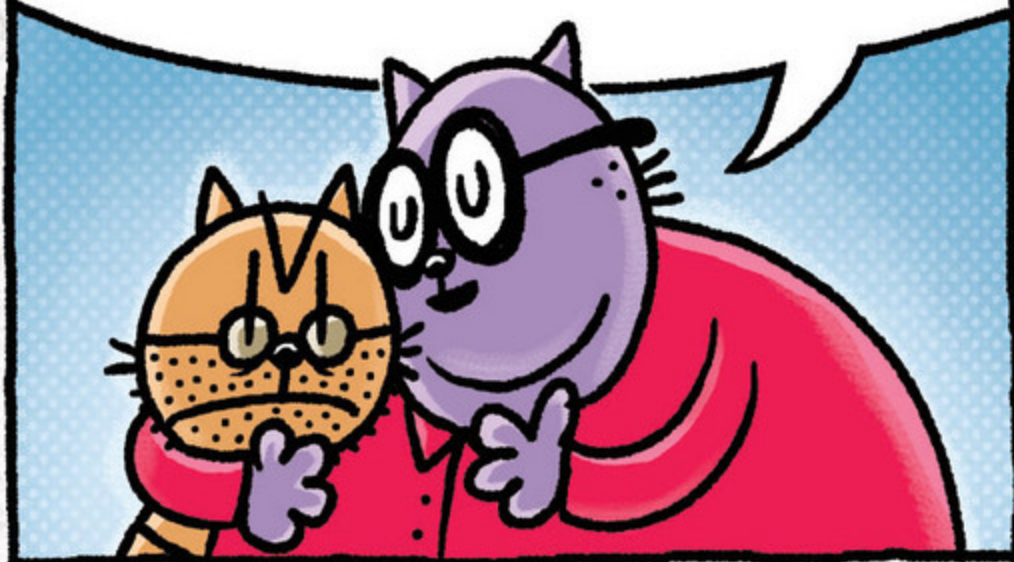
You're not Going to tell one of Your
RIDICULOUS STORIES,
are You?



Of course not,
Grampa!



I'd **Never**
do that!!!



I'm Gonna tell
an **AWESOME**
STORY!!!



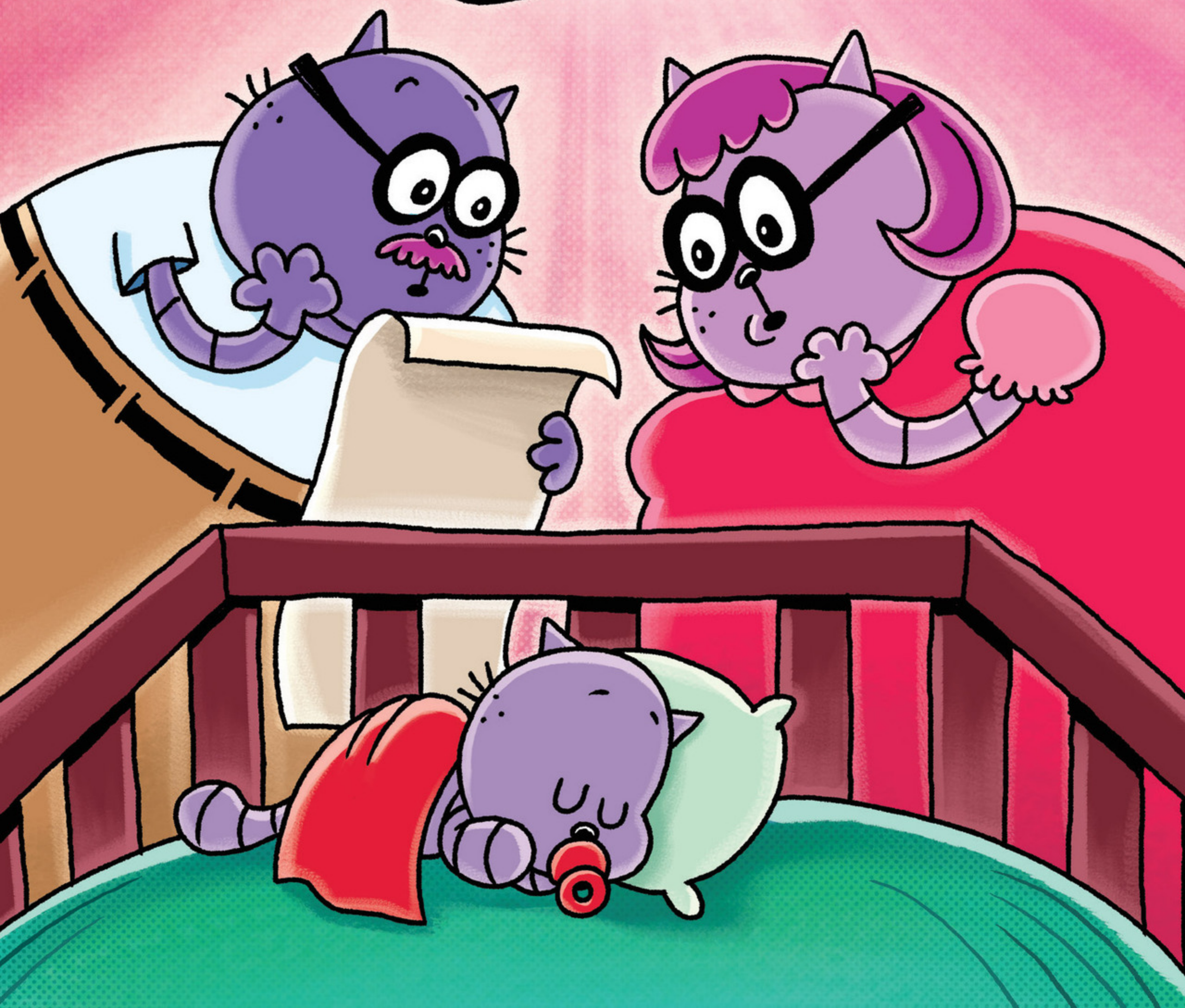
Once upon a time...



Nooooooooo!!!

CHAPTER 2

The Chosen One



A Long
time ago...



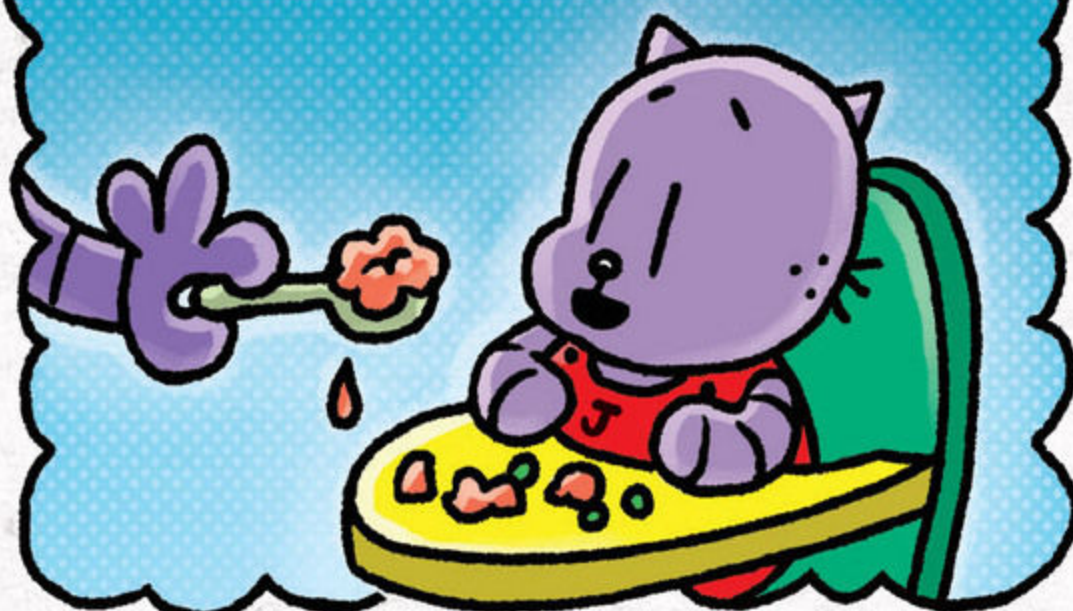
... in a neighborhood
far, far away...



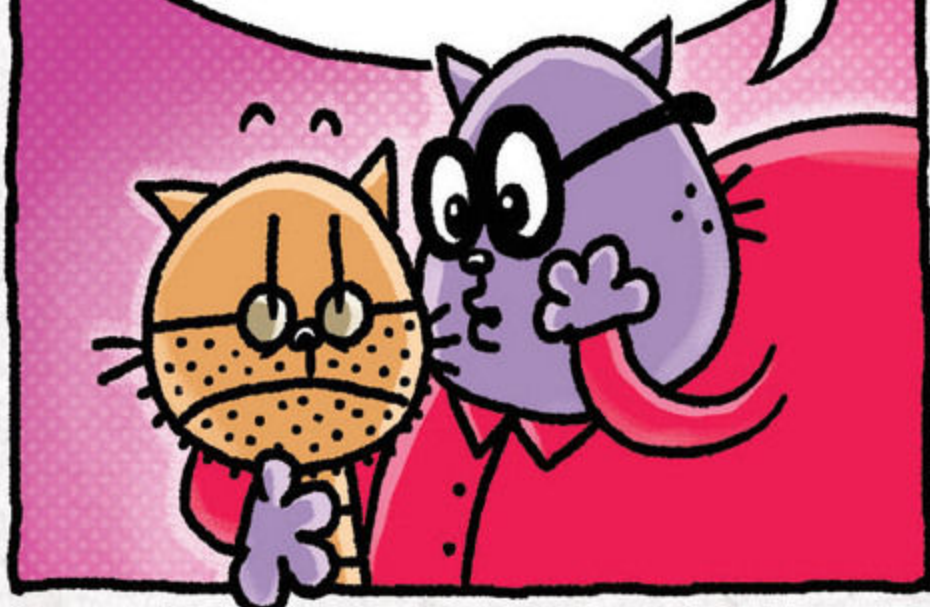
...there lived a
SUPA CUTE baby...



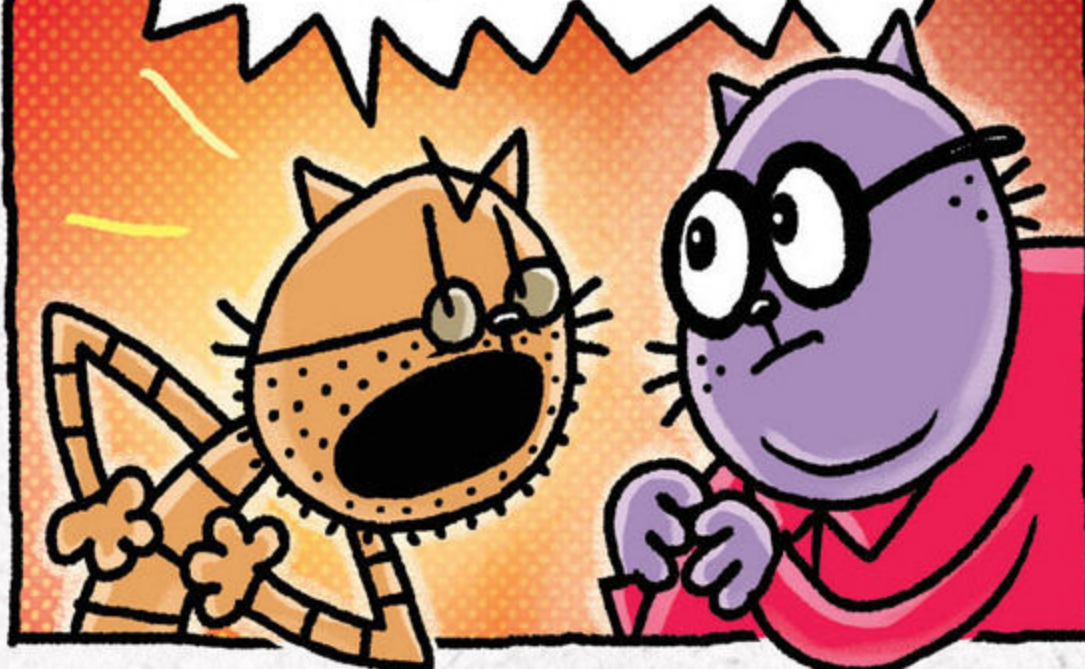
... named
Little Jim.



Psst--- he
was **Me!**



Yeah, I
FIGURED!



Anyway, I lived
With a Momma...



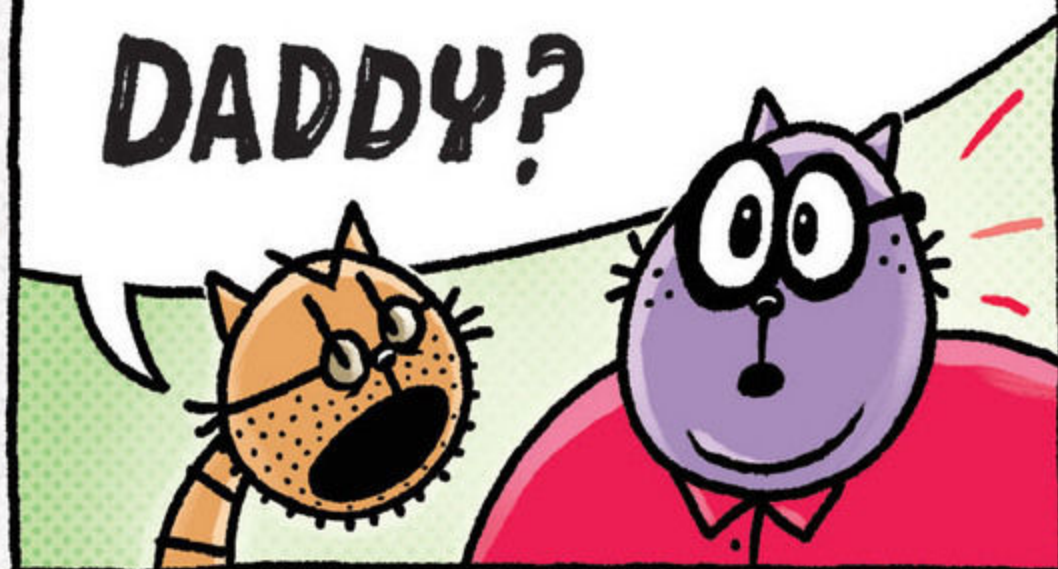
...whose name
was Momma...



...and I also
had a Daddy...



Let me Guess:
Was his name
DADDY?



**HOW DID
YOU KNOW?**



**WOULD YOU GET
ON WITH IT?**



Well, we all lived together in a tiny bungalow...



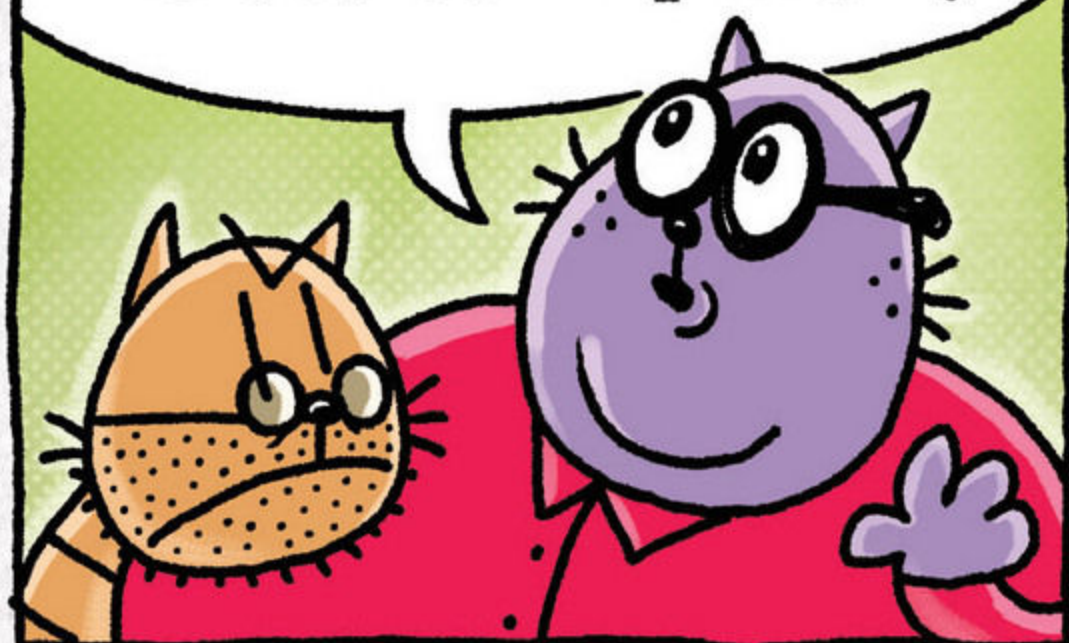
... and our lives were quiet and ordinary.



Then one night...



... Everything **CHANGED!**



Well? What happened?



A
beam
of light
Pierced
the sky...

... and shined
Upon us...



...filling our home with a strange
RADIANCE!



Daddy went out
to investigate...



... and then
he looked up...



...and saw a
UFO!!!



Daddy told the **UFO**
to Go away...



Now
See
here...

... and Soon...





We Just Got
A MESSAGE...



... from A
UFO!!!



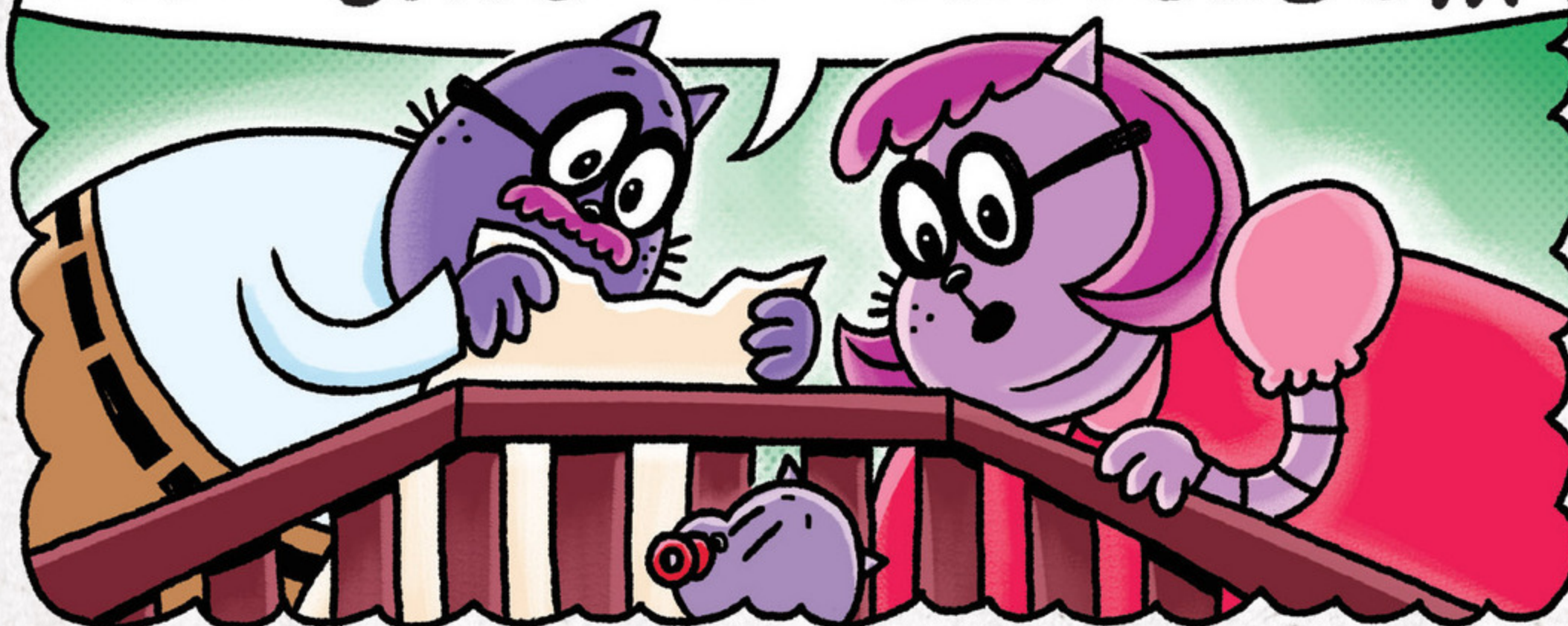
It says that
OUR CHILD...



... Will fulfill
**SUPA Ancient
PROPHECIES...**



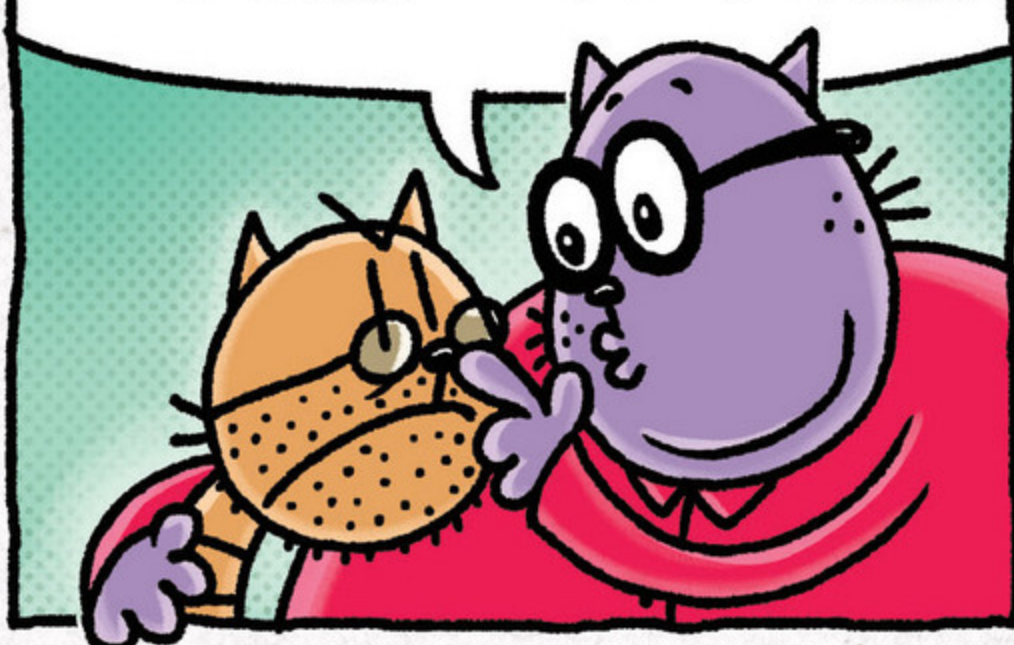
... And **SAVE** the **UNIVERSE!!!**



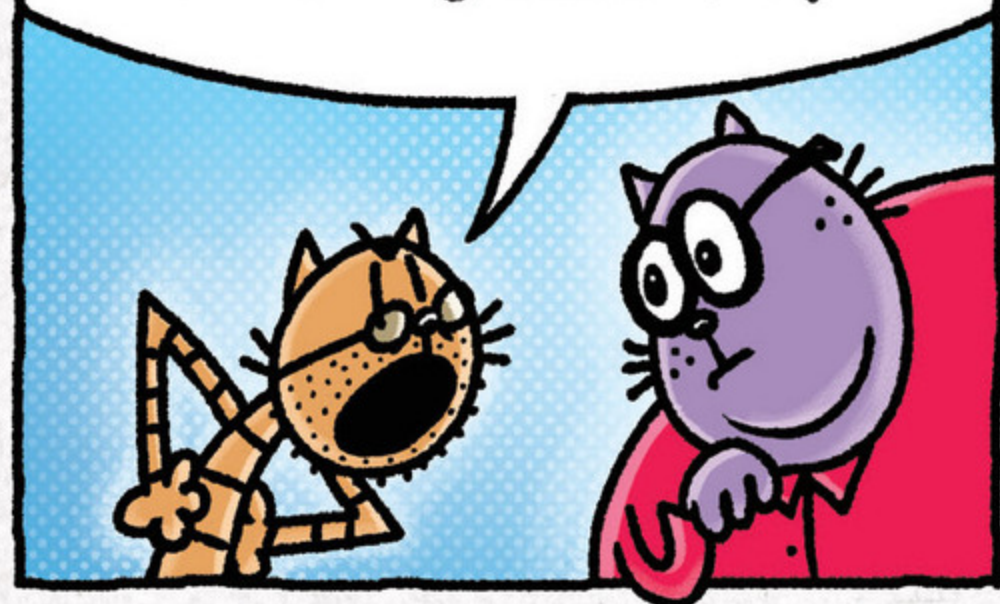
They searched
and searched...



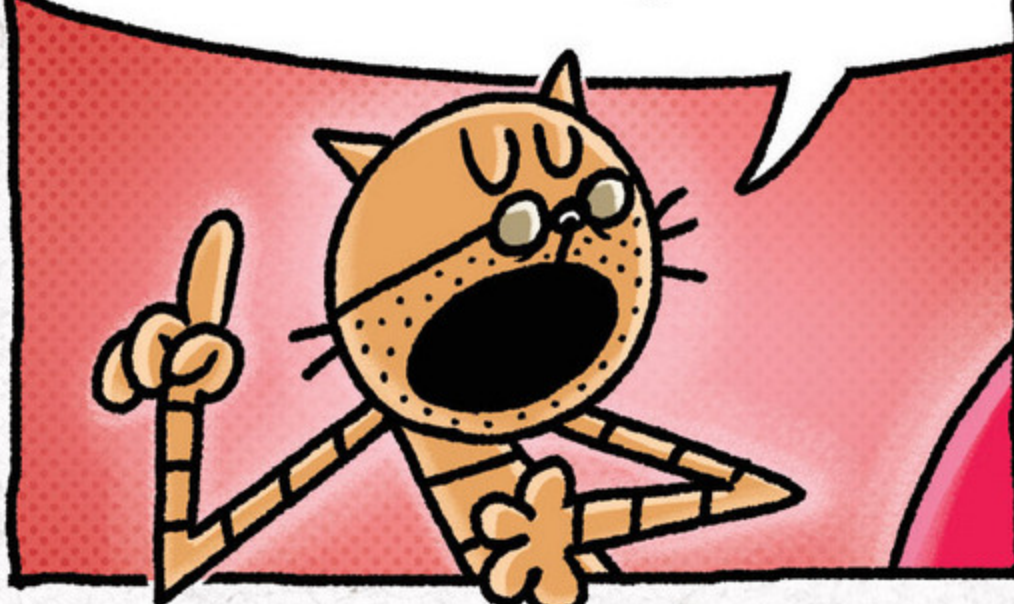
...but they never
found the ring.



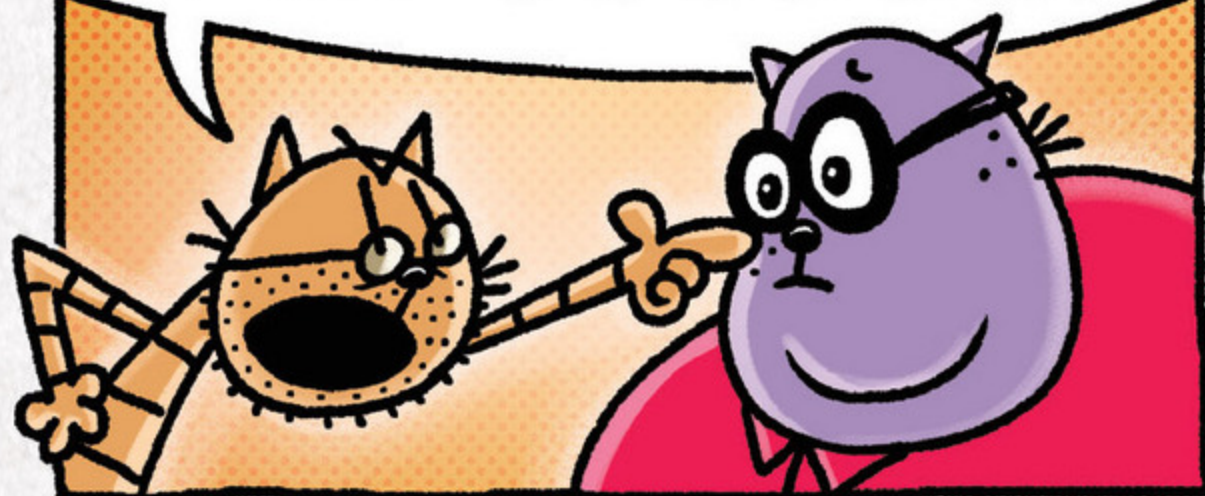
Aw, ain't that
too bad ???



Well, **I** saw a
UFO once, too...



...And **MY STORY**
is **WAY Better**
than **YOURS!!!**



It is?

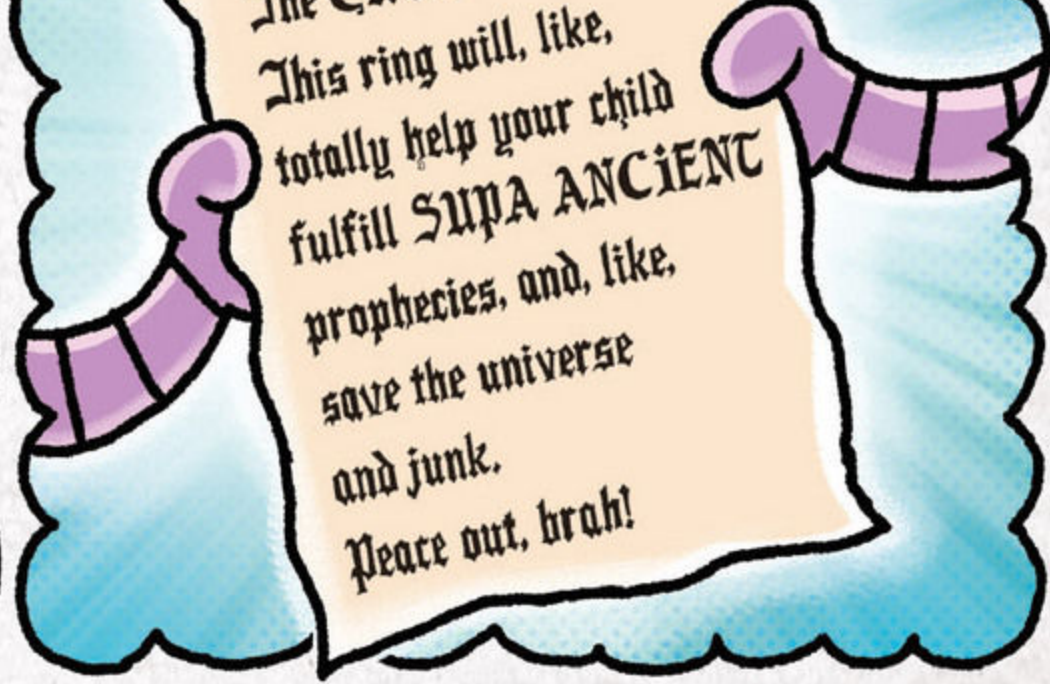
Yeah!



Let me
see that...



'Sup?
Your child is, like,
The **CHOSEN ONE**, dude.
This ring will, like,
totally help your child
fulfill **SUPA ANCIENT**
prophecies, and, like,
save the universe
and junk.
Peace out, brah!



But where is
the **Ring**?



Gee whiz, I
don't know!!!



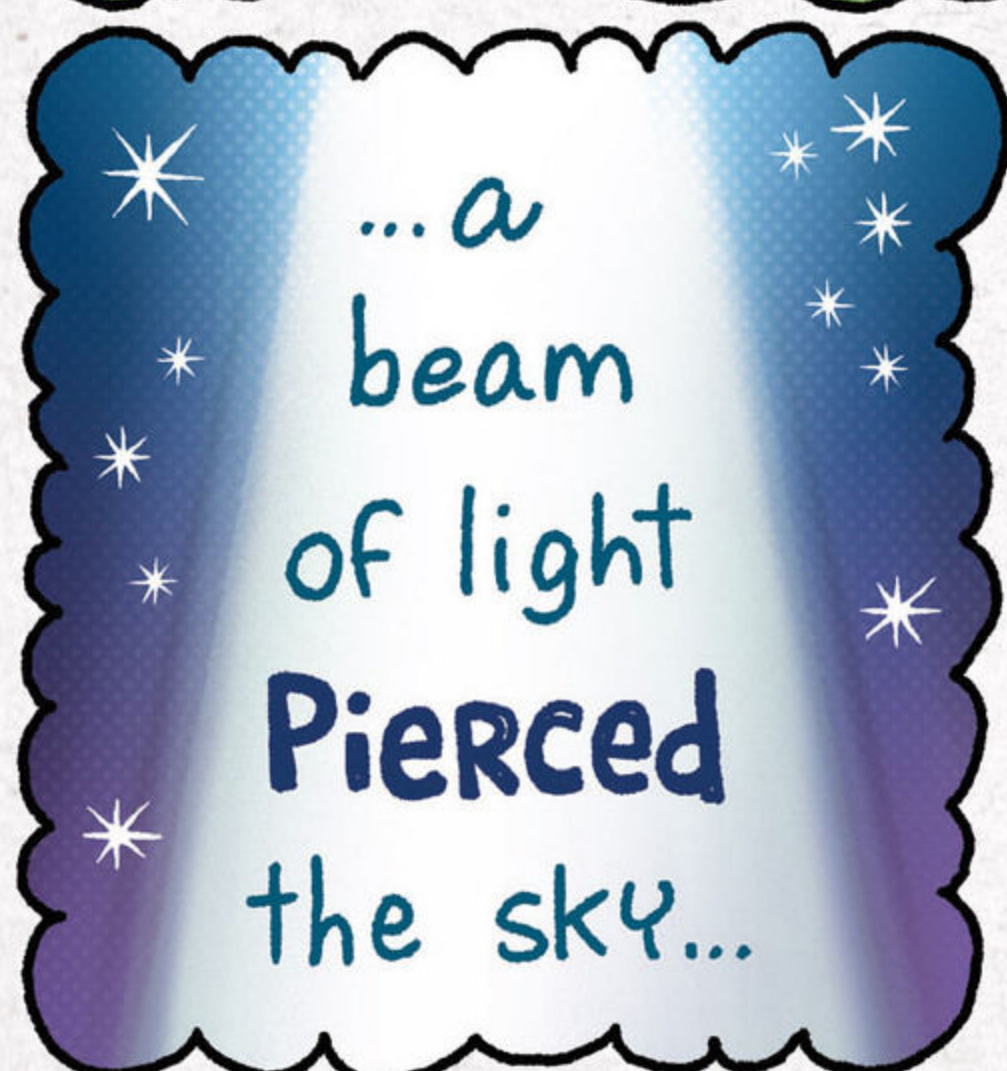
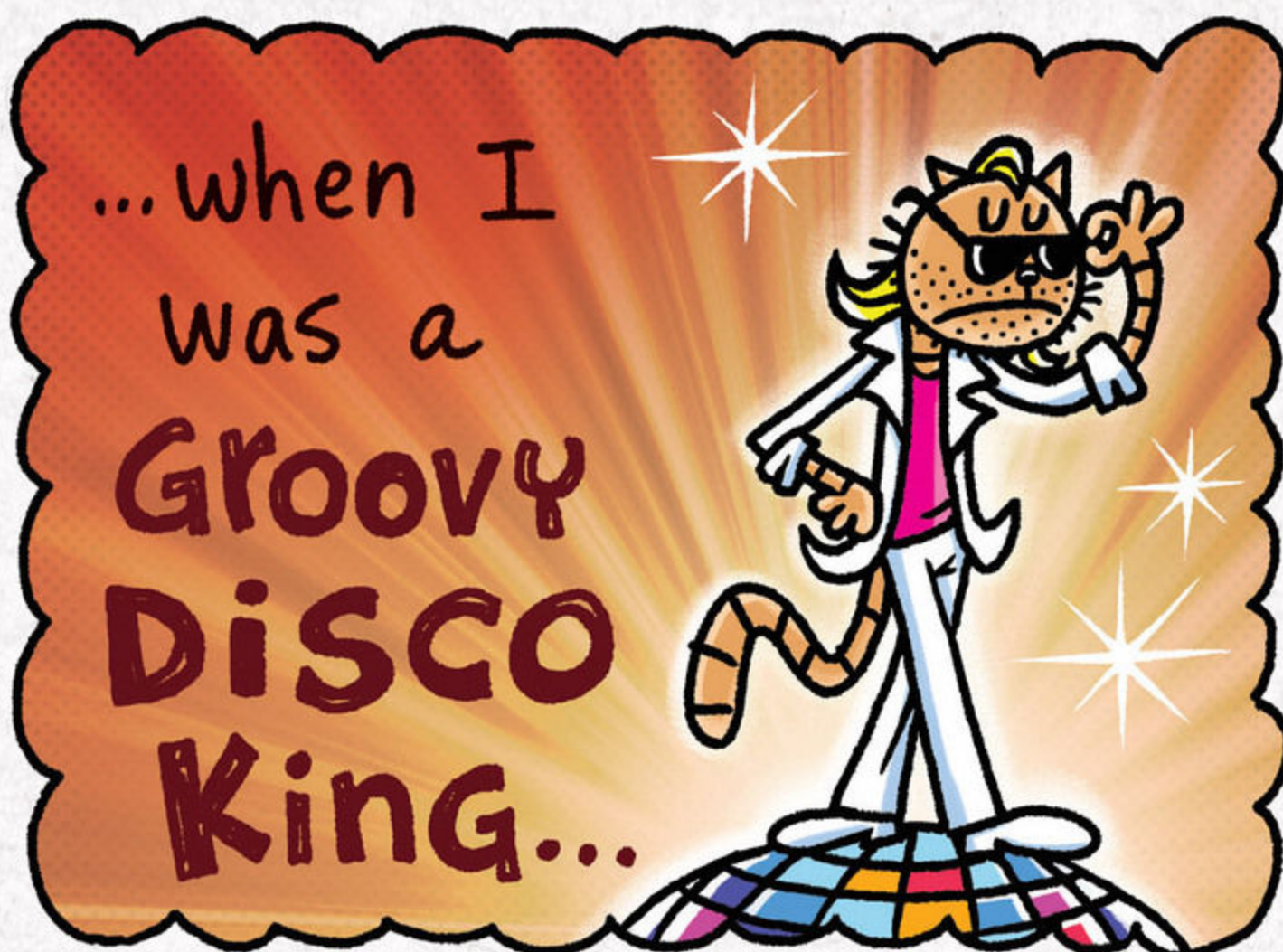
And So...



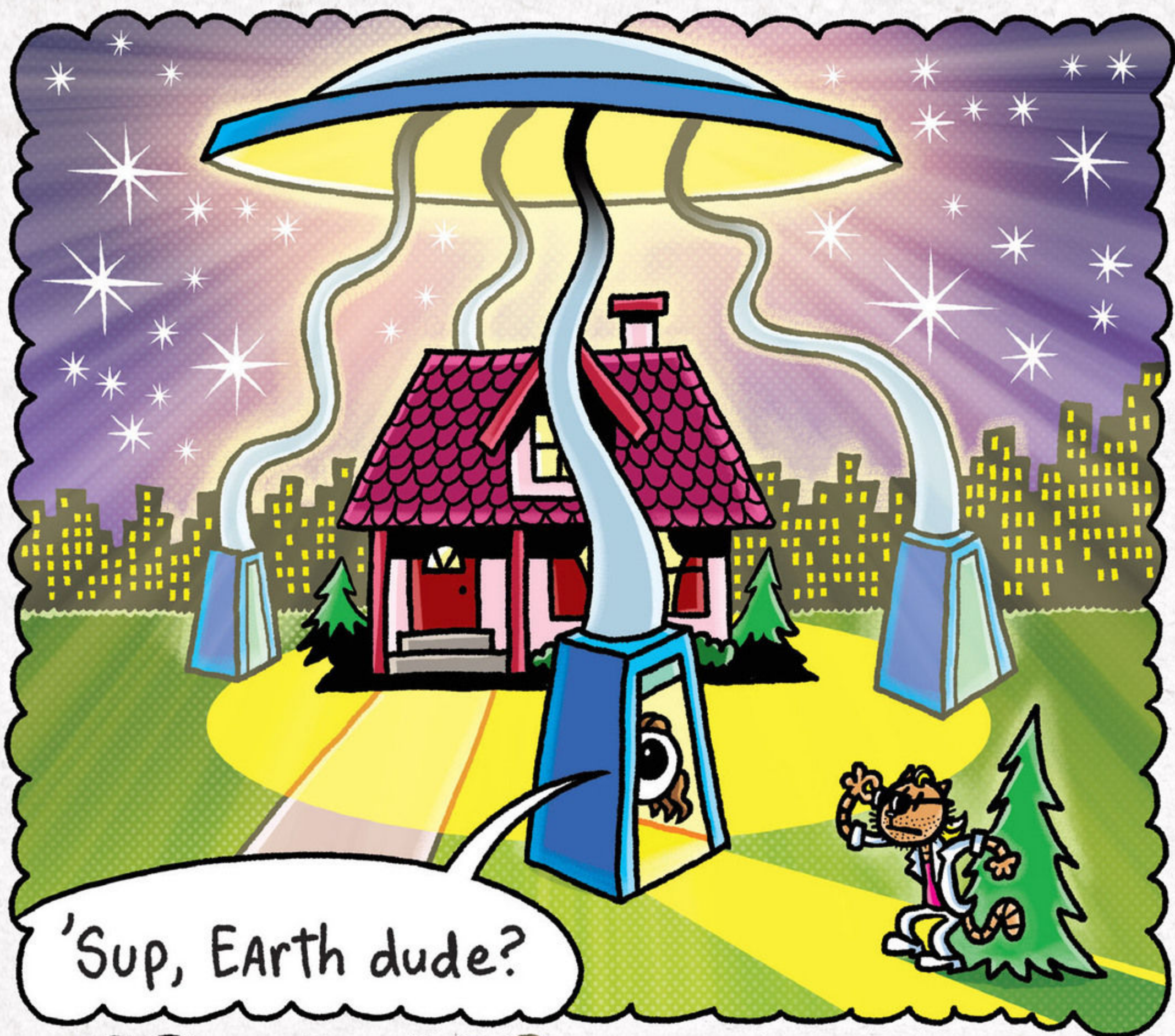
CHAPTER 3

GRAMPA'S UFO STORY THAT'S WAY BETTER THAN THE ONE FROM CHAPTER 2









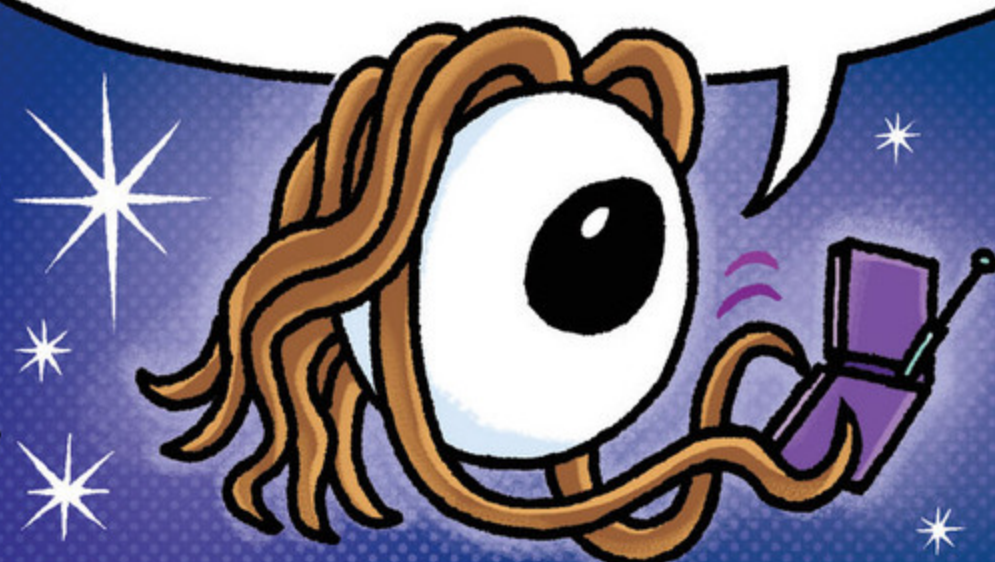
'Sup, EArth dude?

I'm, like, on this
EPiC MISSION...

...Lookin' for
a cutie Pie...



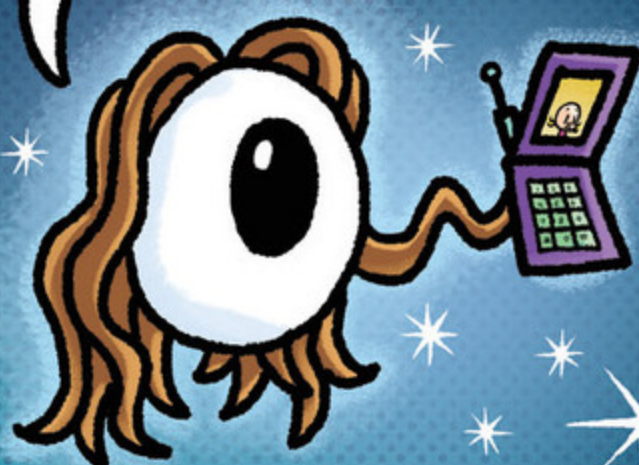
...Who's Gonna save
the Universe, brah!



What Are You
TALKING About?



This little
Girl, man!



She's, like, the
CHosen one!!!



And I've been
CRUISIN' the
COSMOS...



...Trying to
Find her.



She's Gonna
need **HELP...**



... on her
TUBULAR
Quest...



...So I Got
her this
Ring!



It's called: **The Ring**
of Destiny And Stuff.



Gee! That's
a swell ring!



Say, I Know
where that
Kid lives!!!



Why don't You Give
the ring to **Me...**



...And **I'll** Give
it to **Her!!!**



Really, Dude?



WHOA!!! That's **TOTALLY**
Righteous, buddy!

Yeah,
whatever.



Oh, and Give her
this note, too...



...and tell her...



'Sup?
Your child is
The CHOSE
This ring will
totally help y
fulfill SUP
prophecies.
save the un
and junk.
Peace out

...May the **Cosmic Vibes**
be with You, Li'l Sis!!!



Yeah,
I'll do
that.

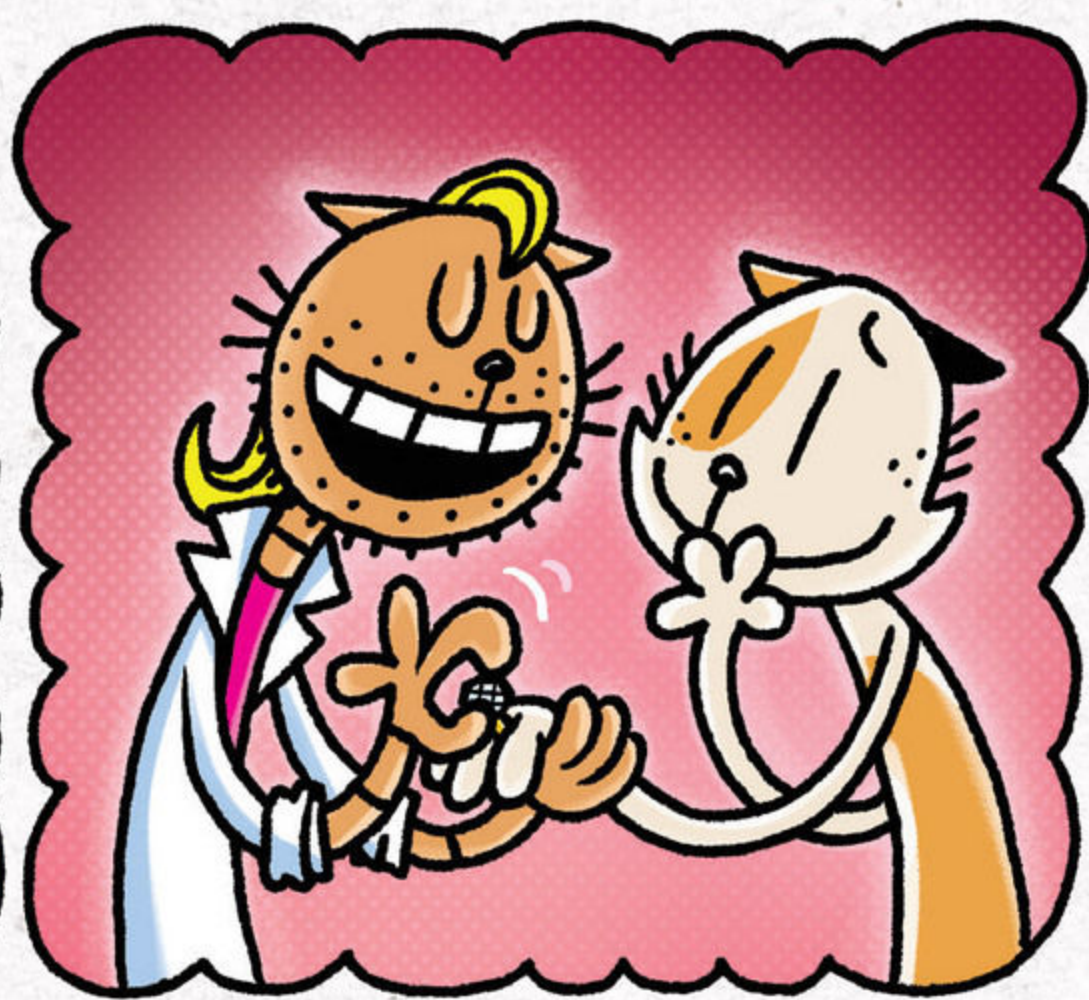
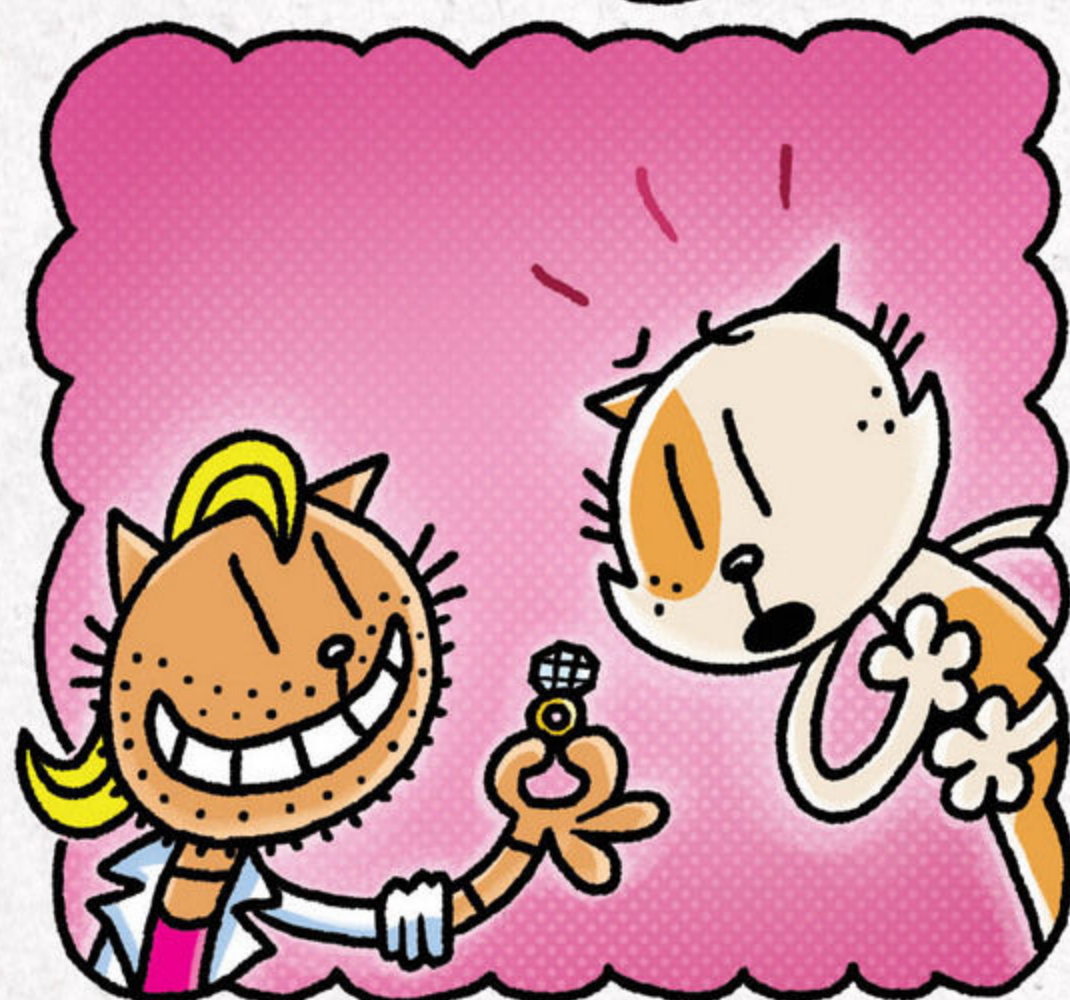
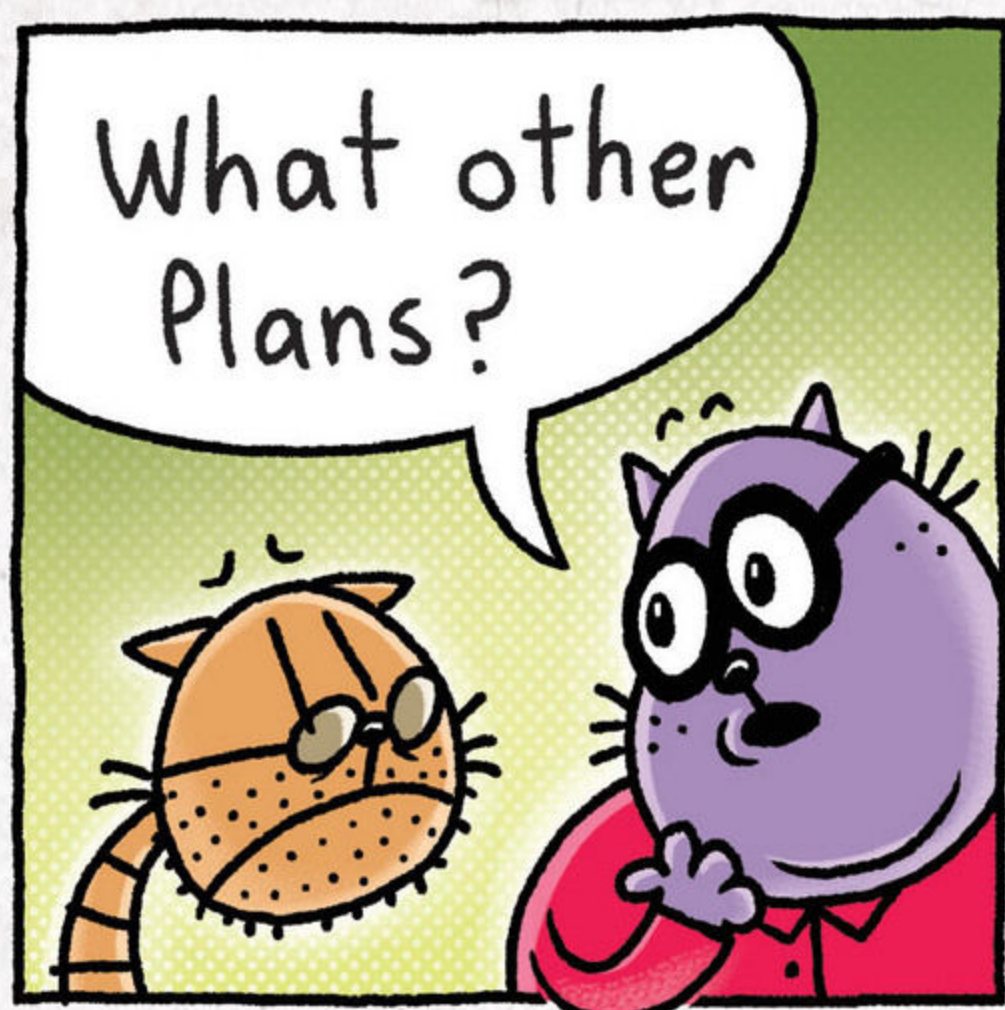
Okay, Man.
I'm Gonna
Split.



Later, Gator!

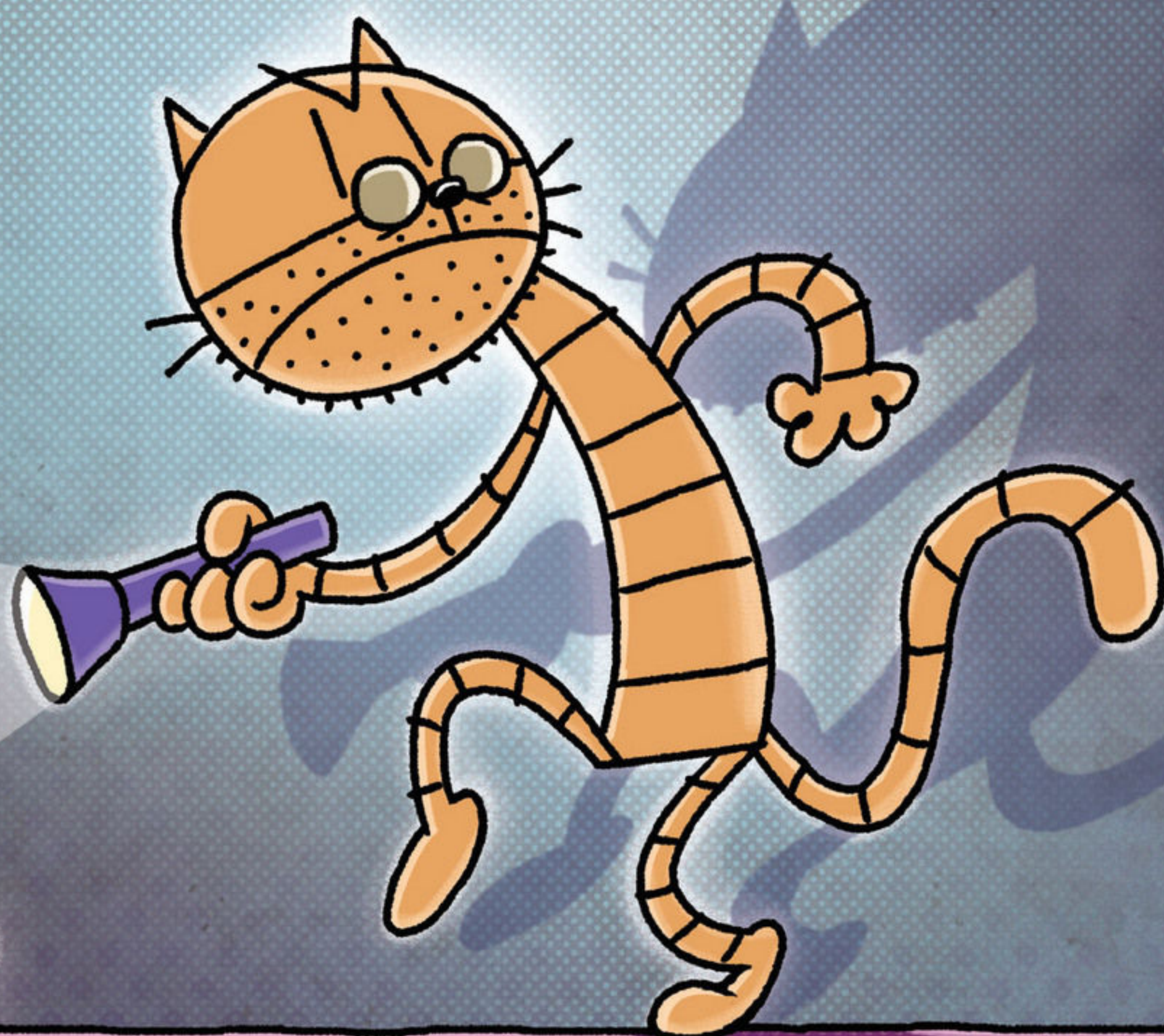






CHAPTER 4

The Quest for The
Return of The
RiNG OF
DeSTiNY
AND STUFF



I'm A Little Teapot, Short and Stout...



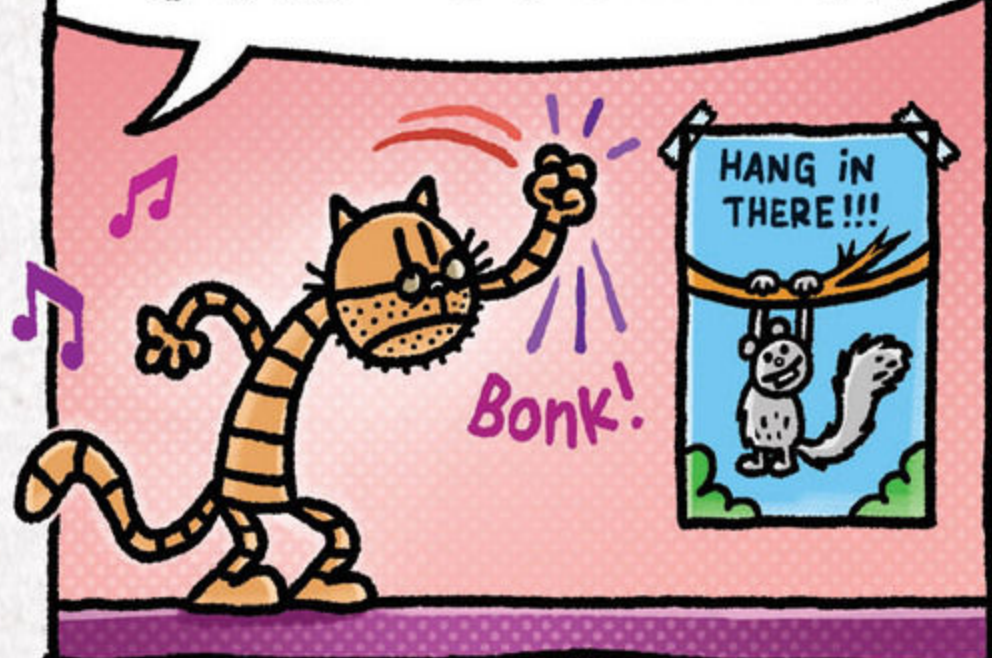
...down CAME
the Rain...



... and WASHed
the Spider out...



...When the Pie
WAS opened...



...the birds
bEGAN to Sing...

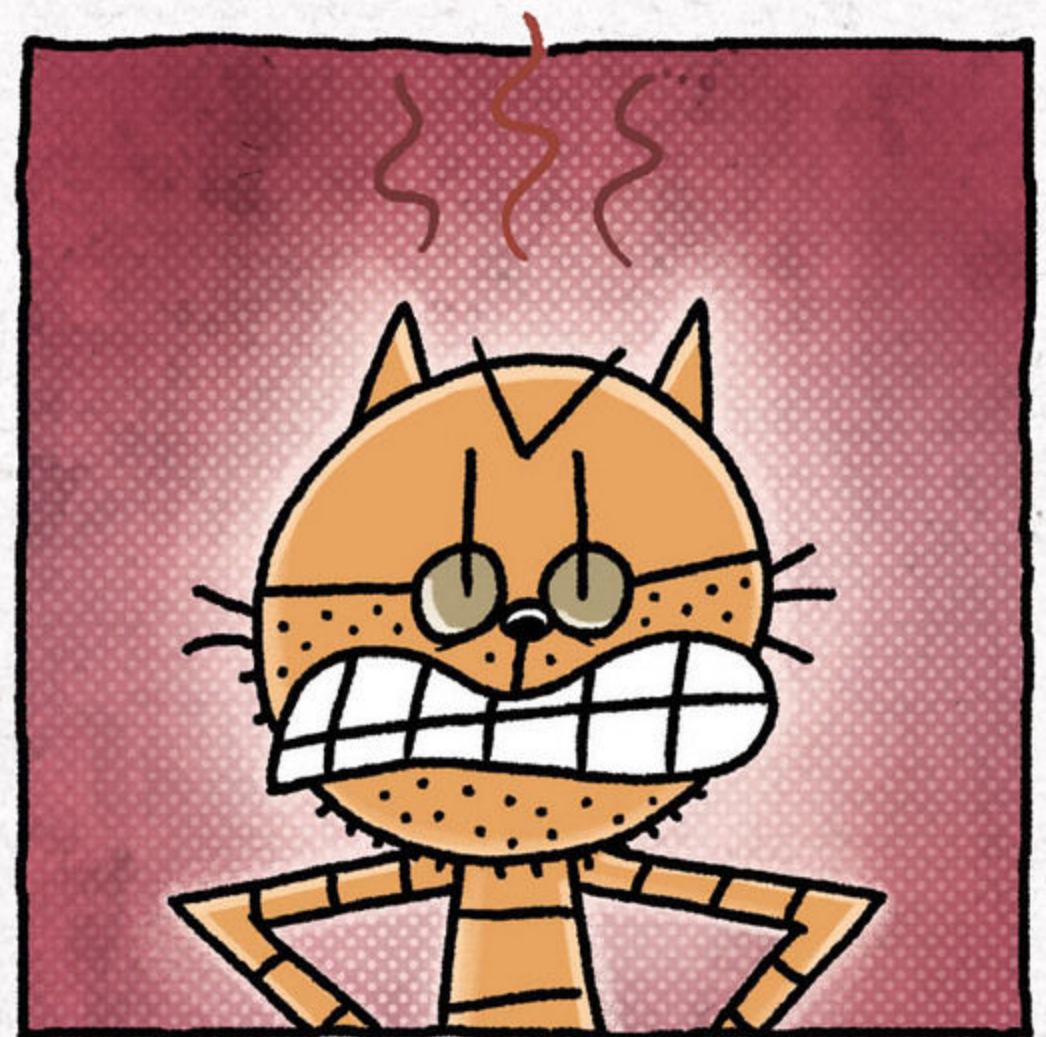
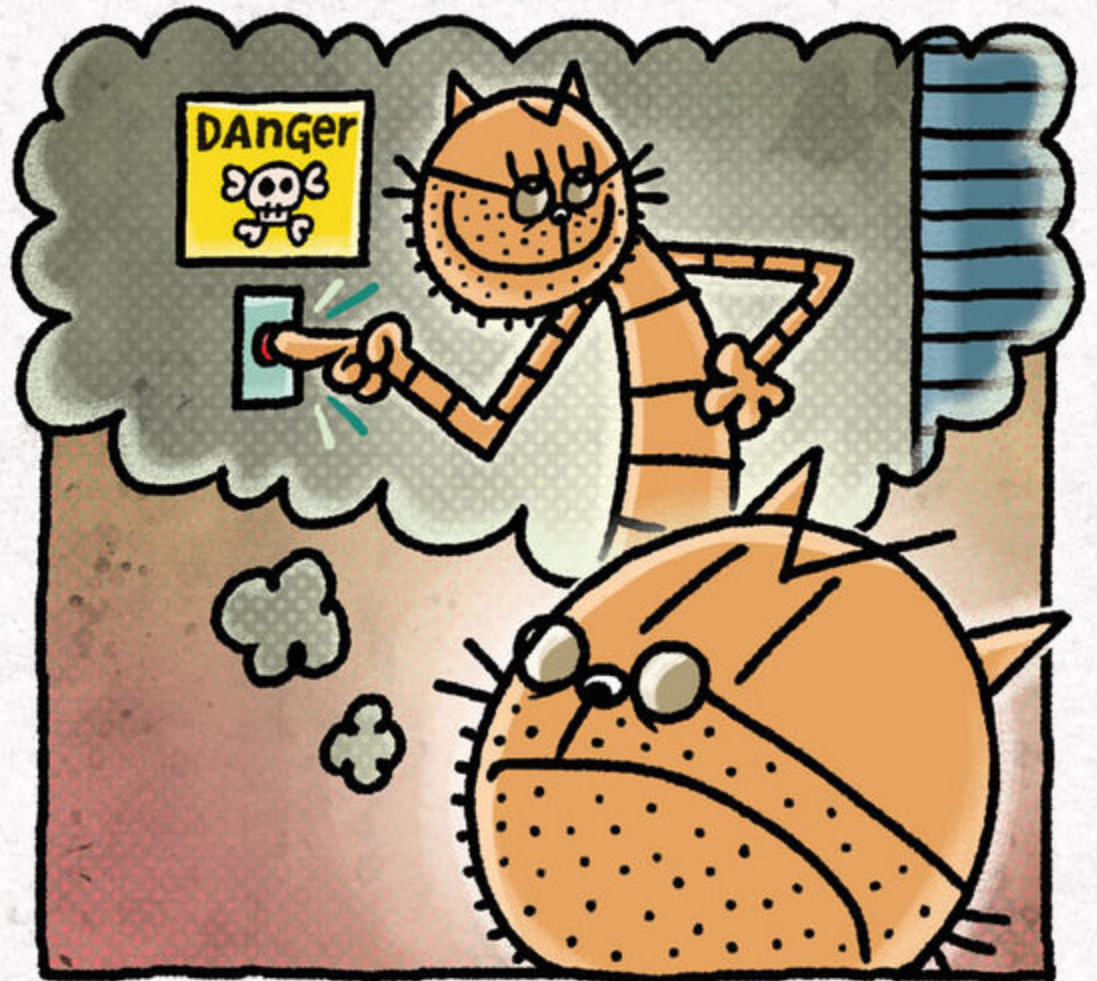
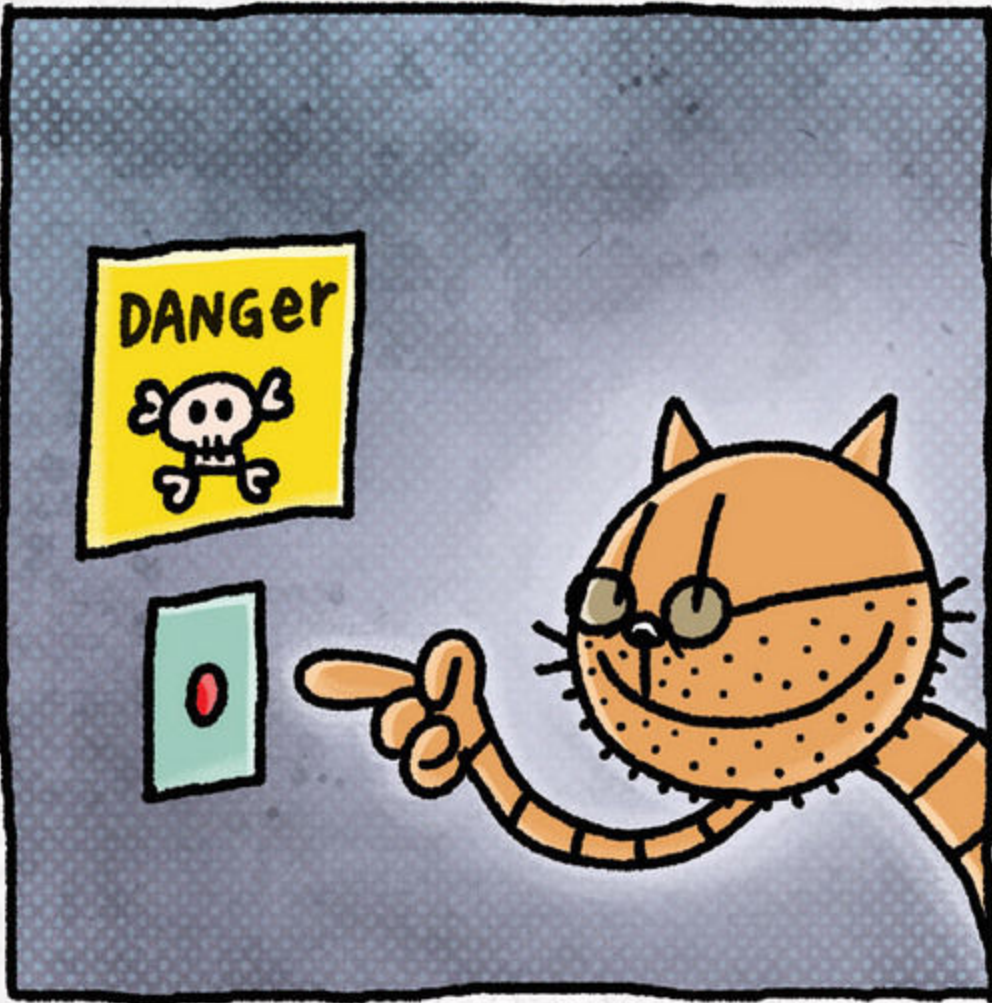


...So TiP Me over...

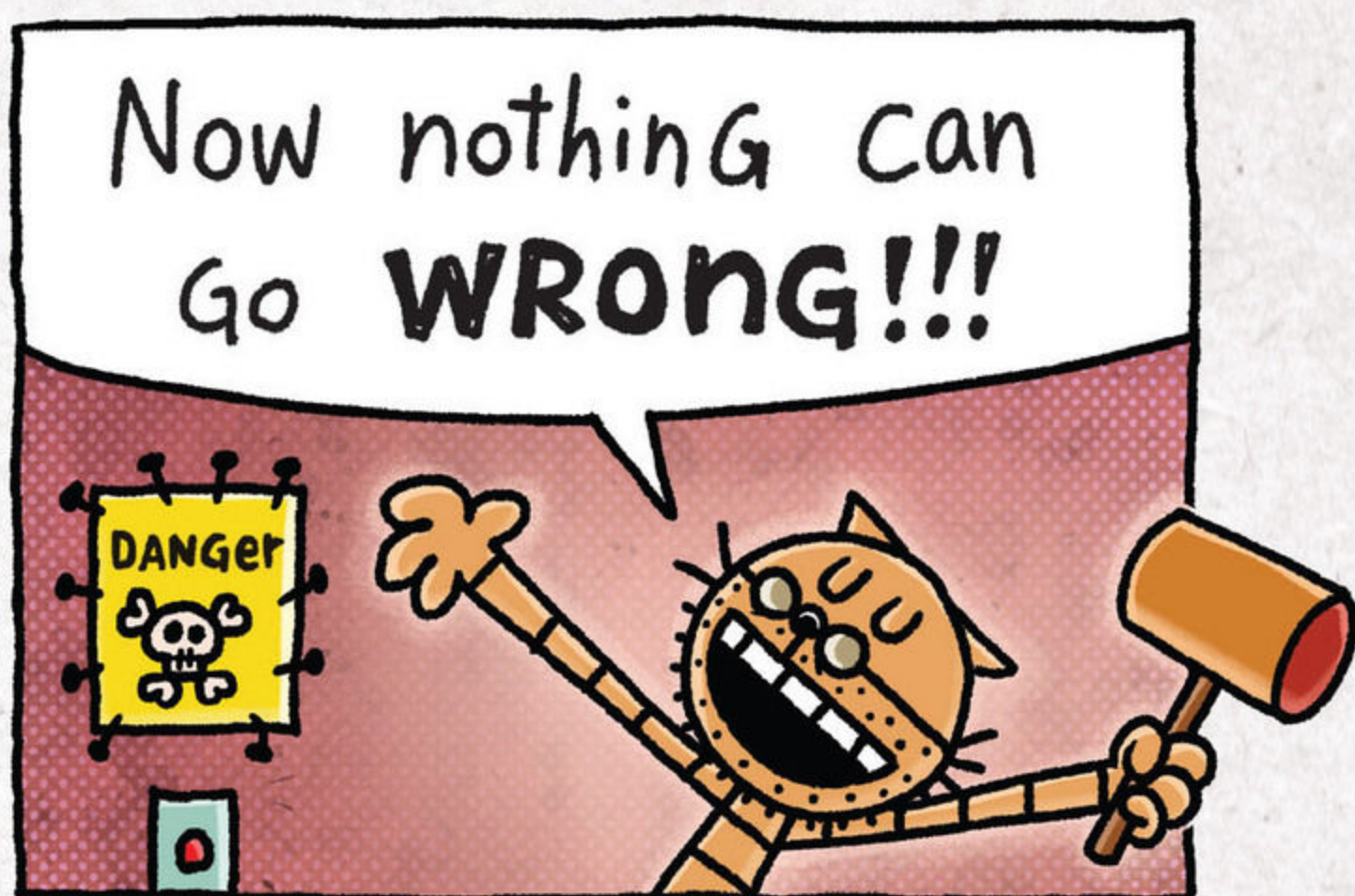
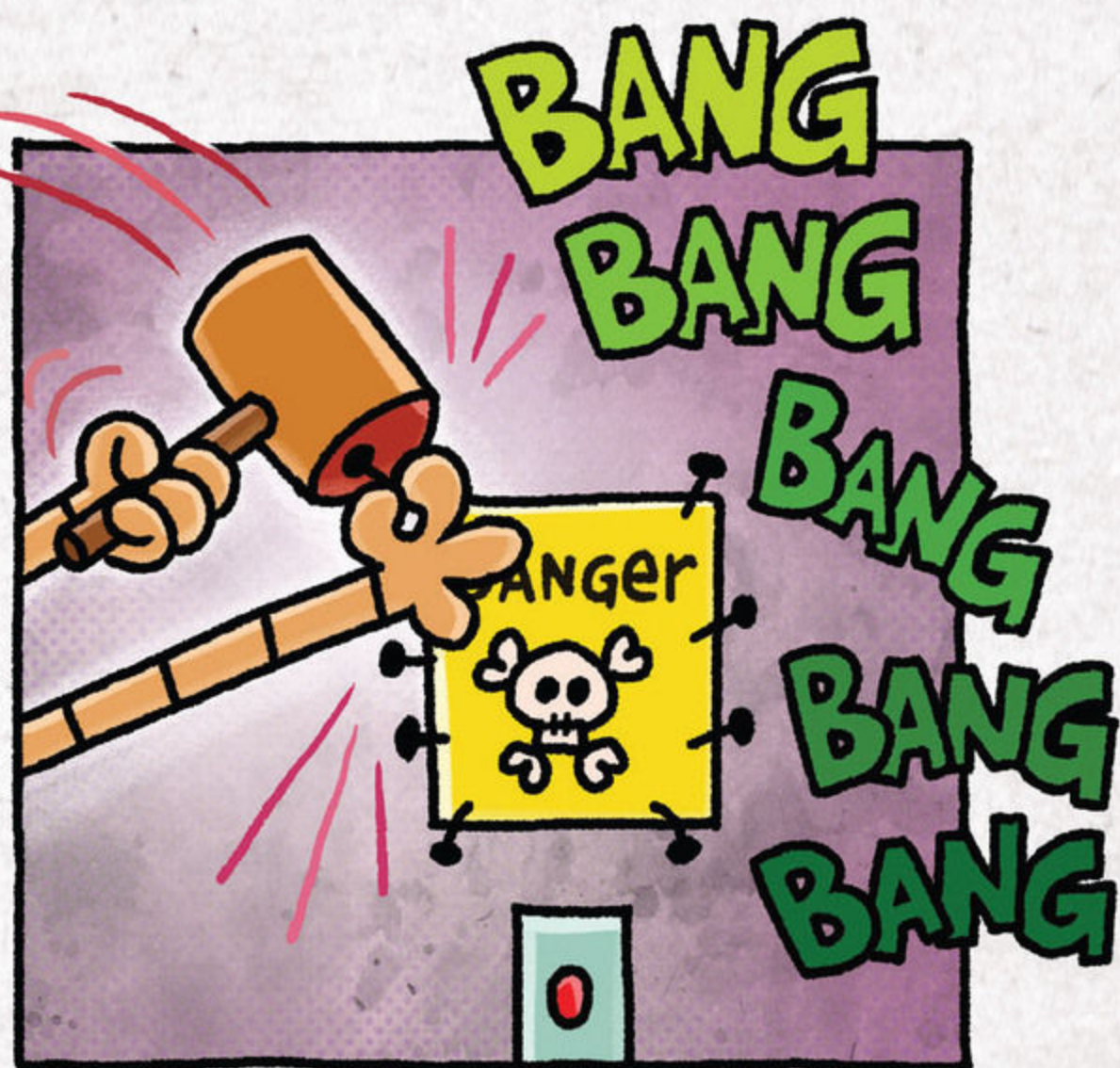


...And Pour me out!!!









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FLIP-E-RAMA

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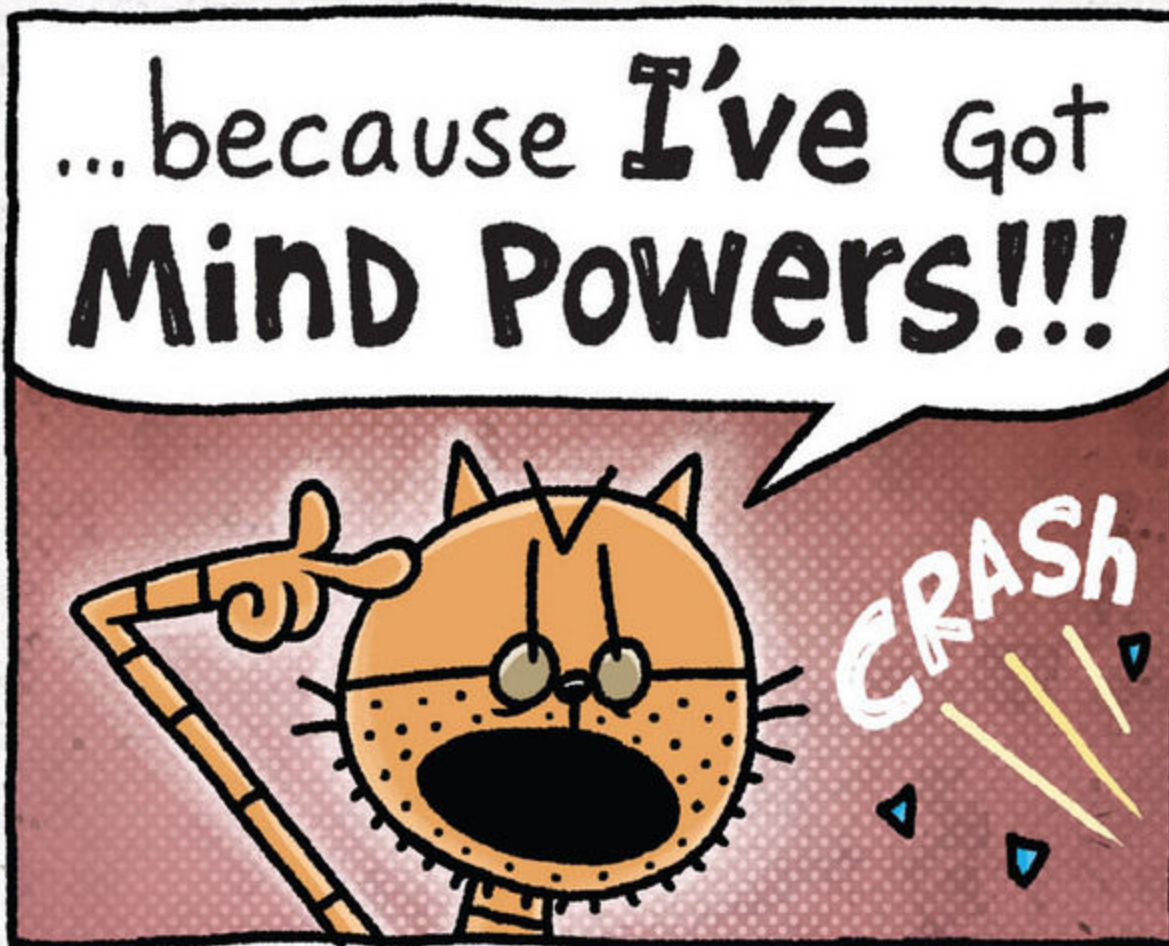
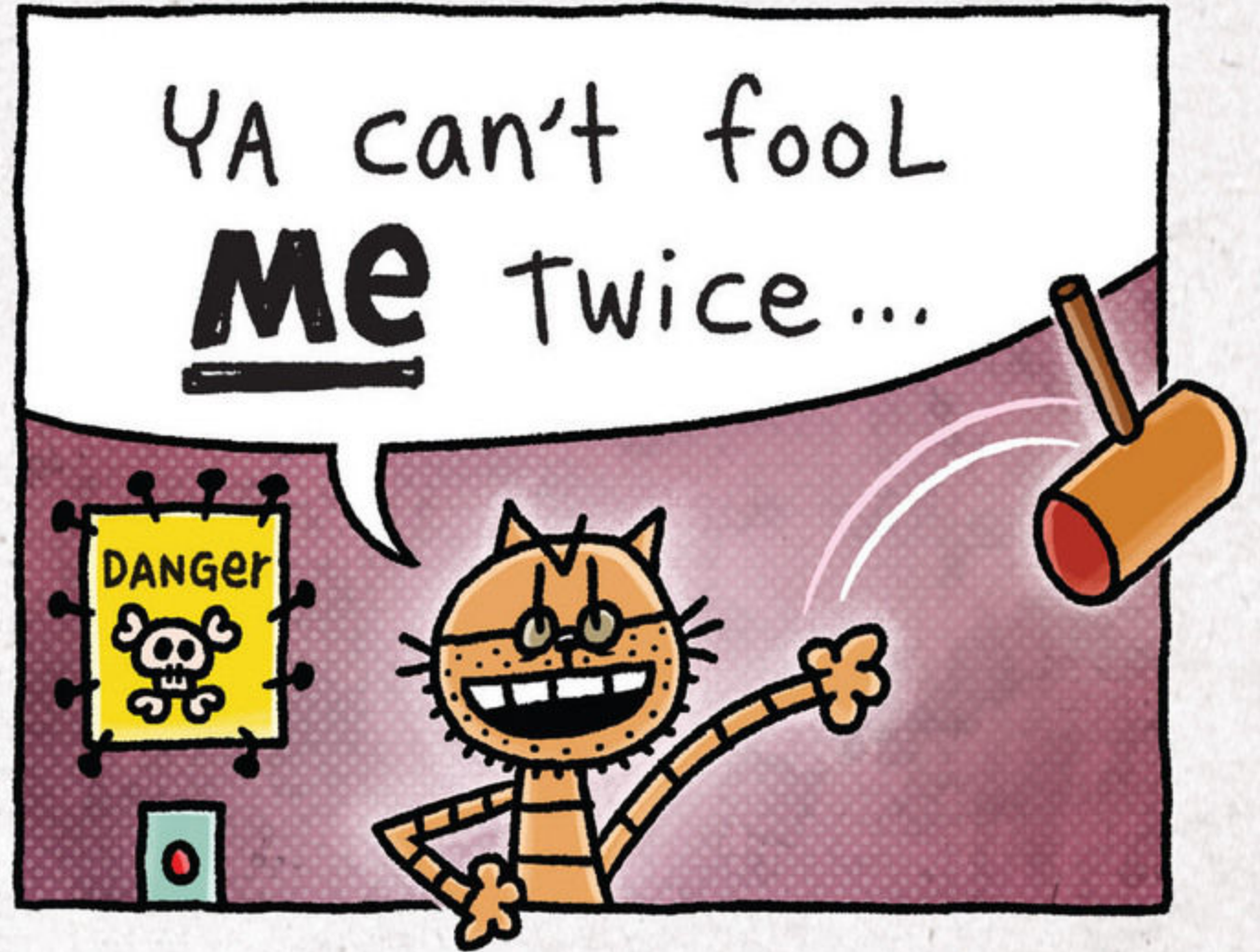
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READY?

FLiP E-RAMA



Something's Afoot!

FLiP-E-RAMA



Something's Afoot!

GRAMPA!!!



ARE YOU OKAY?



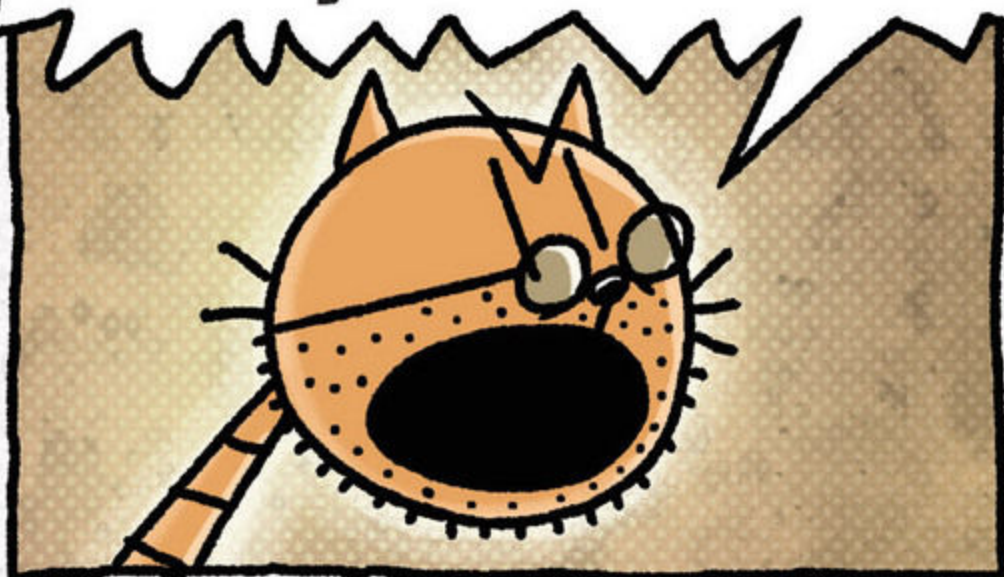
Why, Big Jim?
Why???



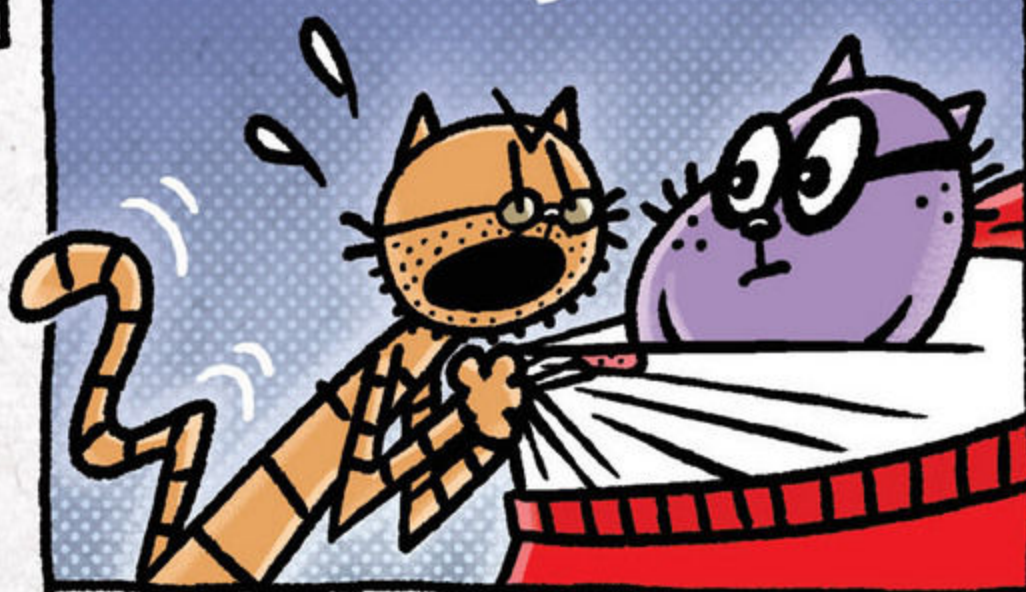
I'm **COMMANDER CUPCAKE!!!**



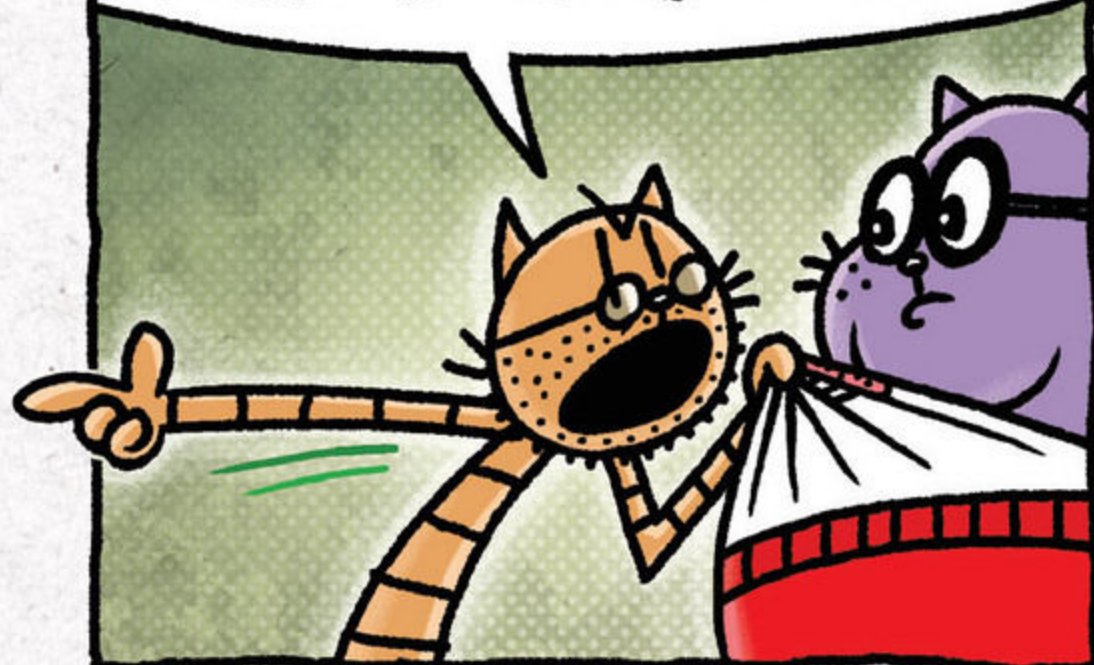
Yeah? Well, **BiG WHOOP-Dee-Doo!!!**



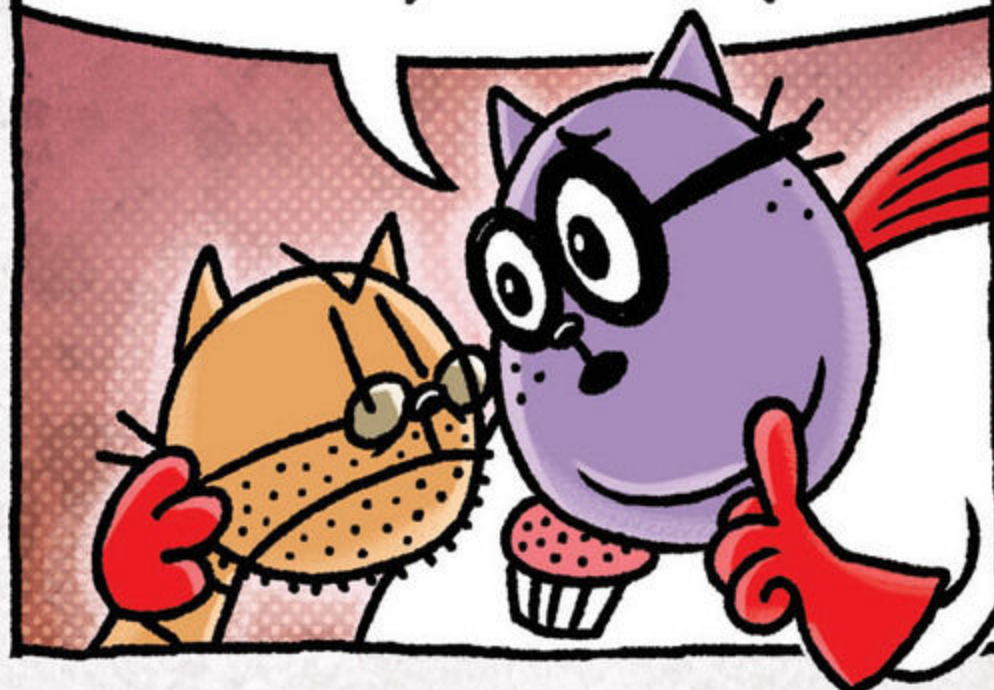
I Gotta Get out of here, man!!!



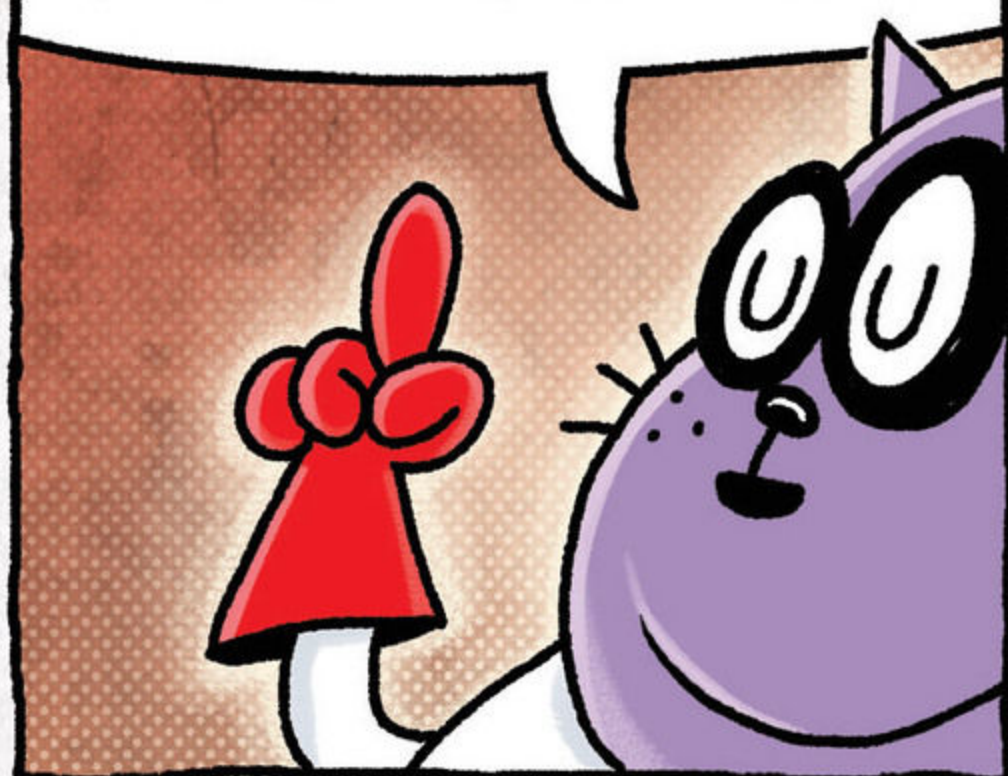
I Gotta Get that RiNG BACK!



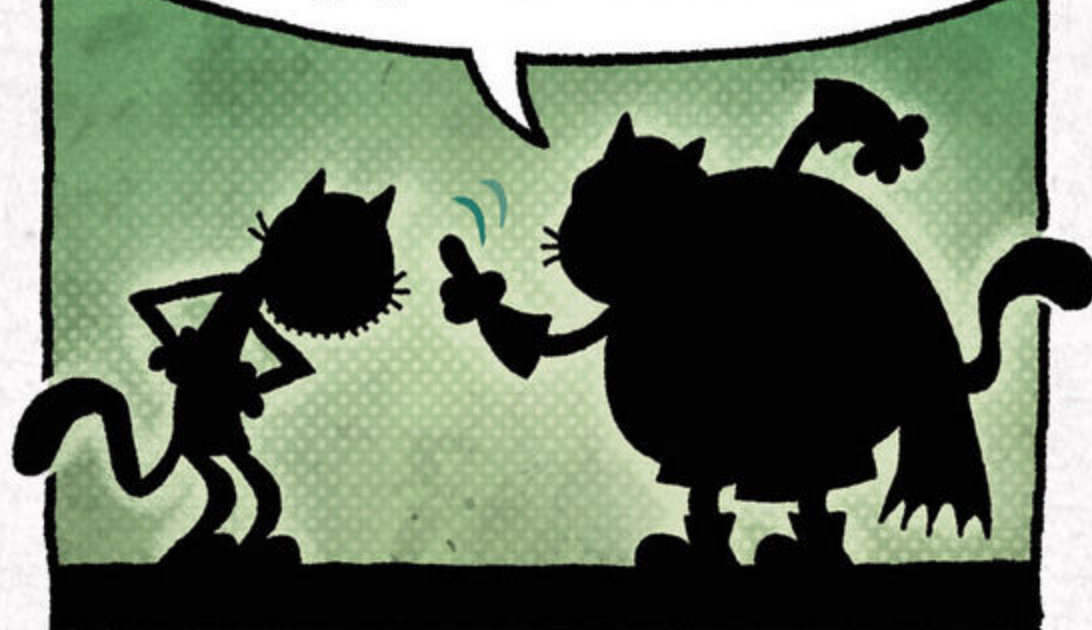
But You can't Leave, Grampa...



For it is written:



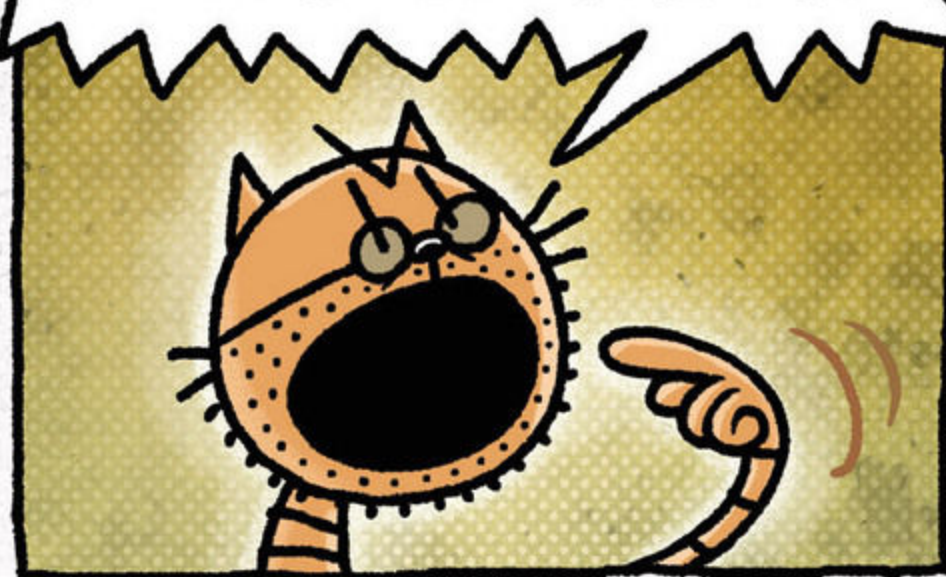
"Only the Pure
of heart..."



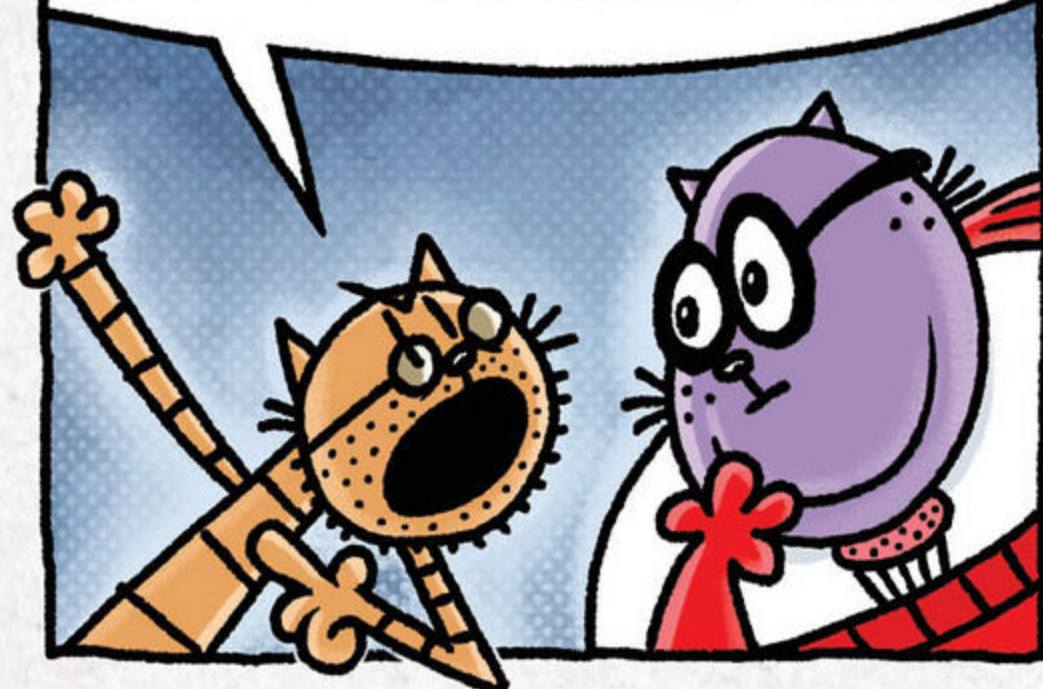
...MAY use the
CUPCAKE Exit."



I GOT A
PURE HEART!!!

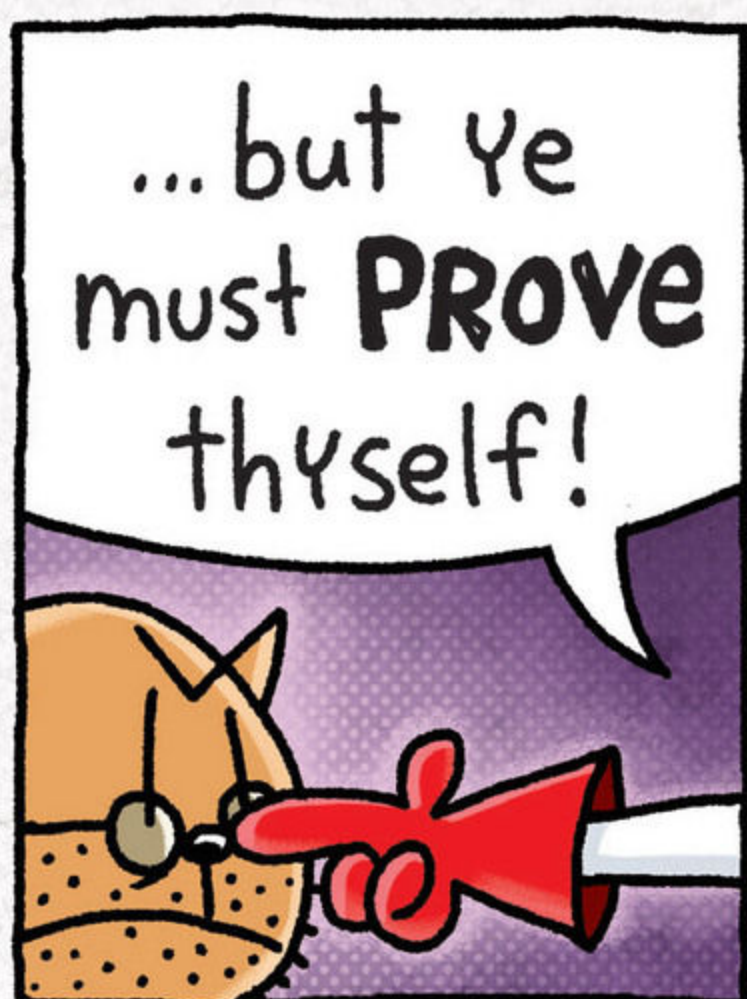


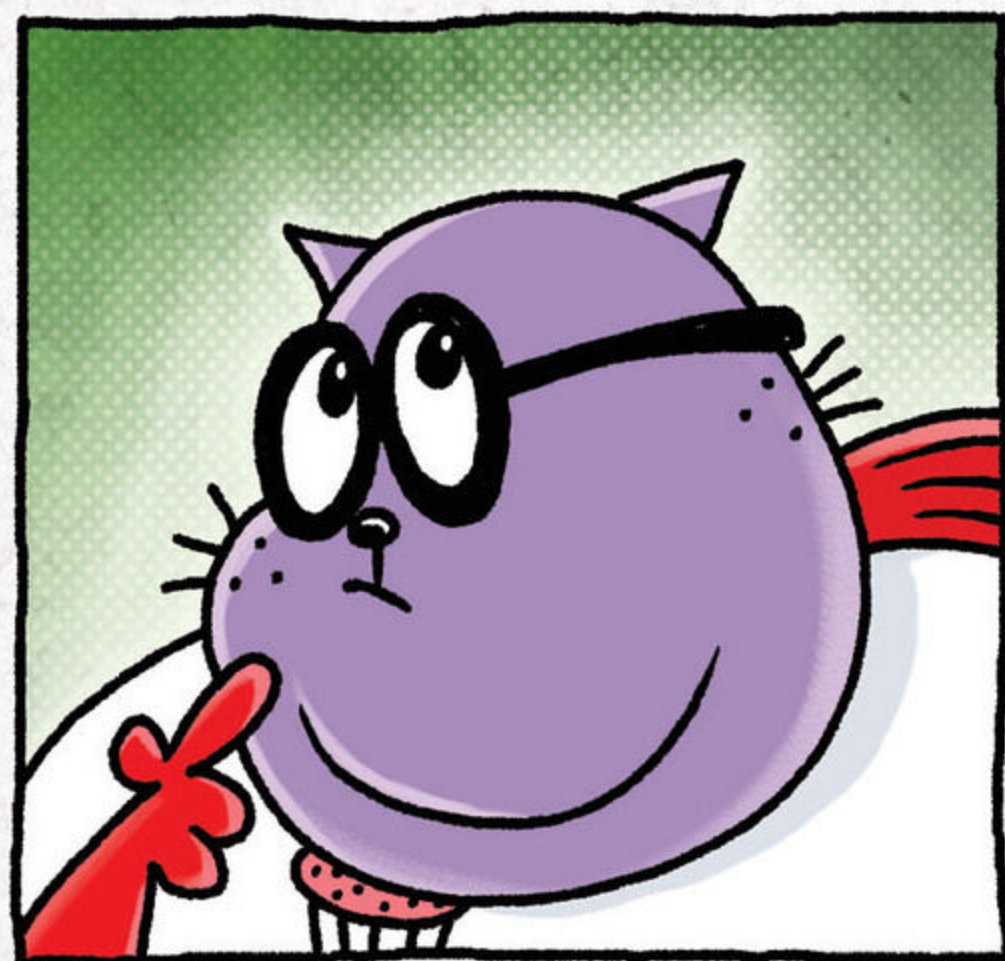
Pure as a **FLIPPIN'**
SNOWFLAKE!!!



Grampa, I **WANT**
to believe You...

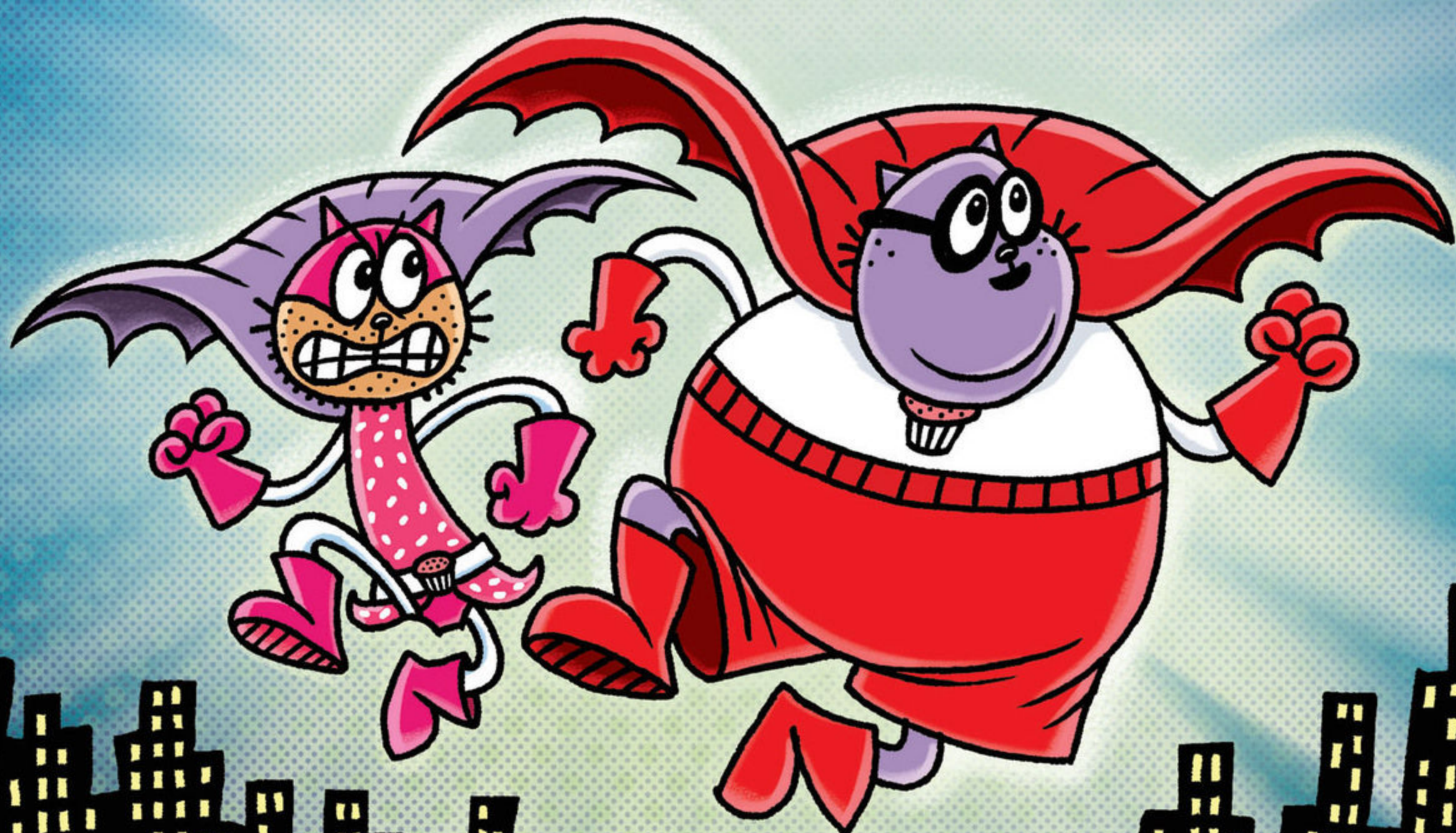






CHAPTER 5

COMMANDER CUPCAKE AND SPRINKLES



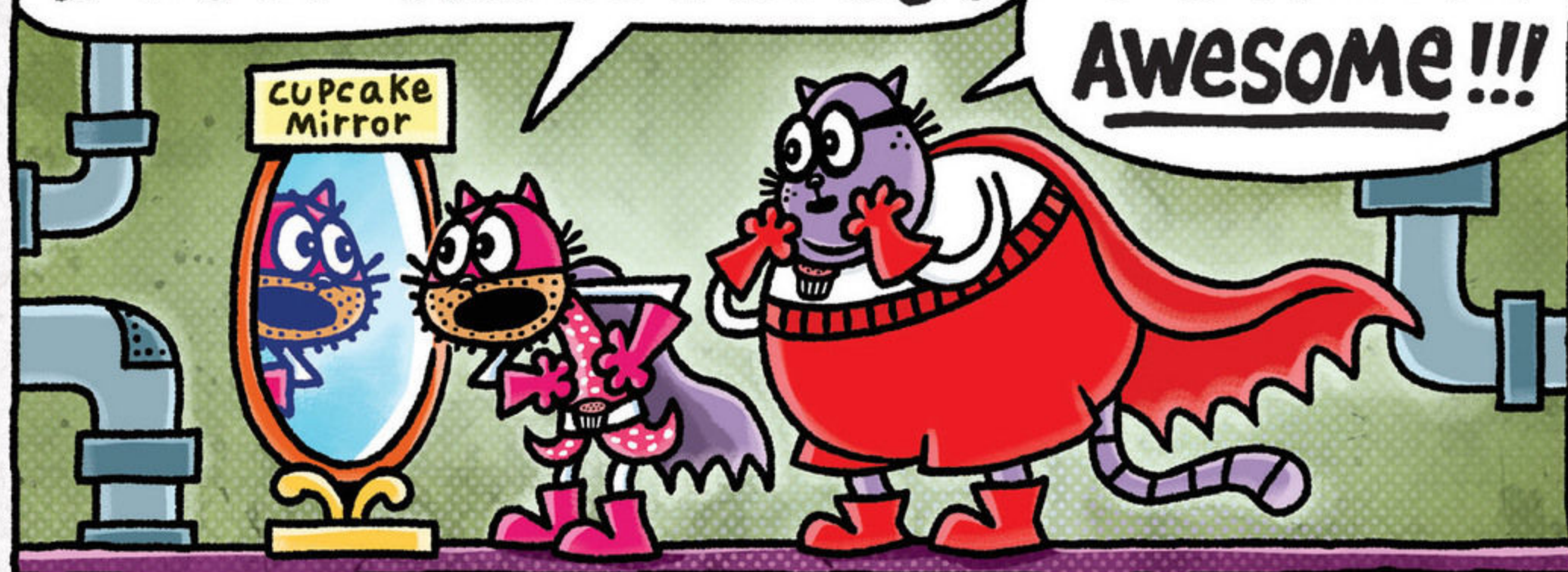
I CAN'T Believe You
talked me into this!



How
HUMILIATING!

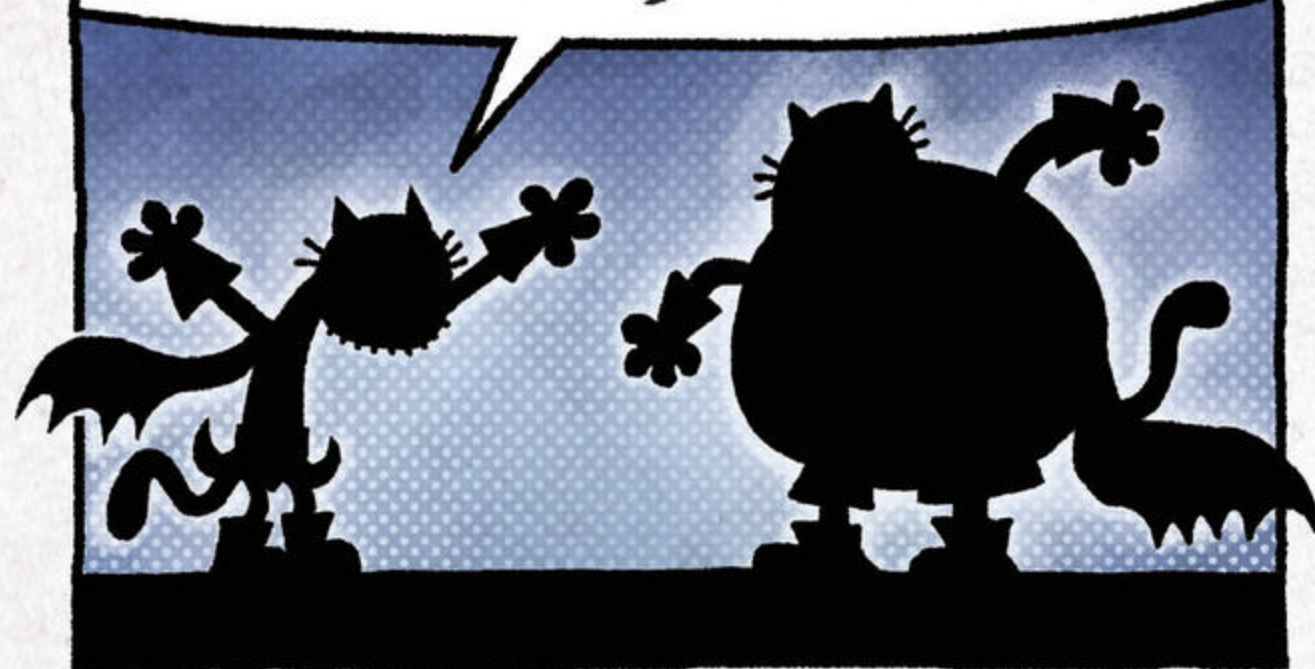


I Look RiDiCULOUS!

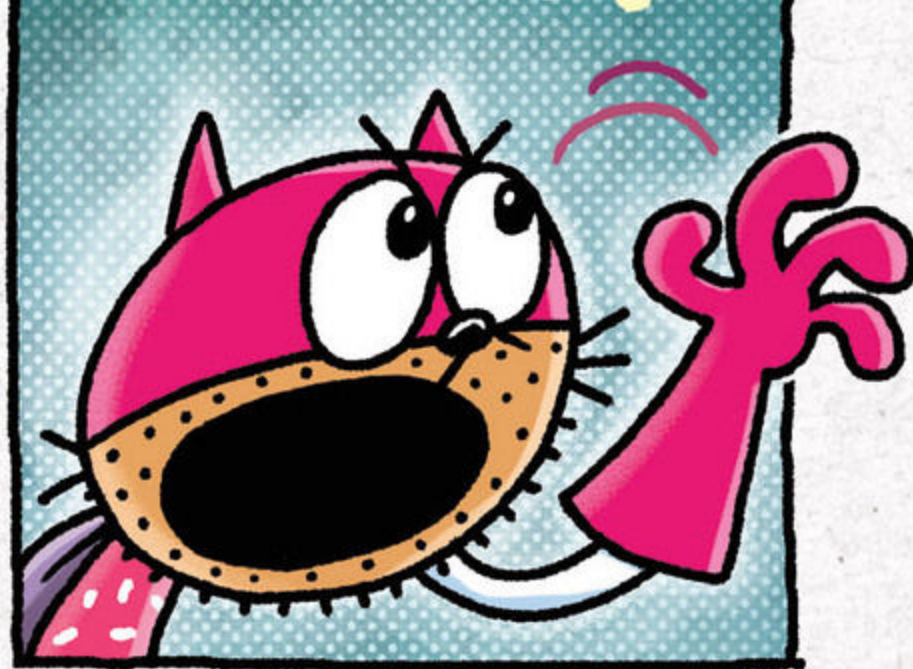


Ridiculously
AWESOME!!!

CAN I Get Some
WEAPONS, at LEAST?



Like Knife
CLAWS?



That's a swell
idea, Sprinkles!



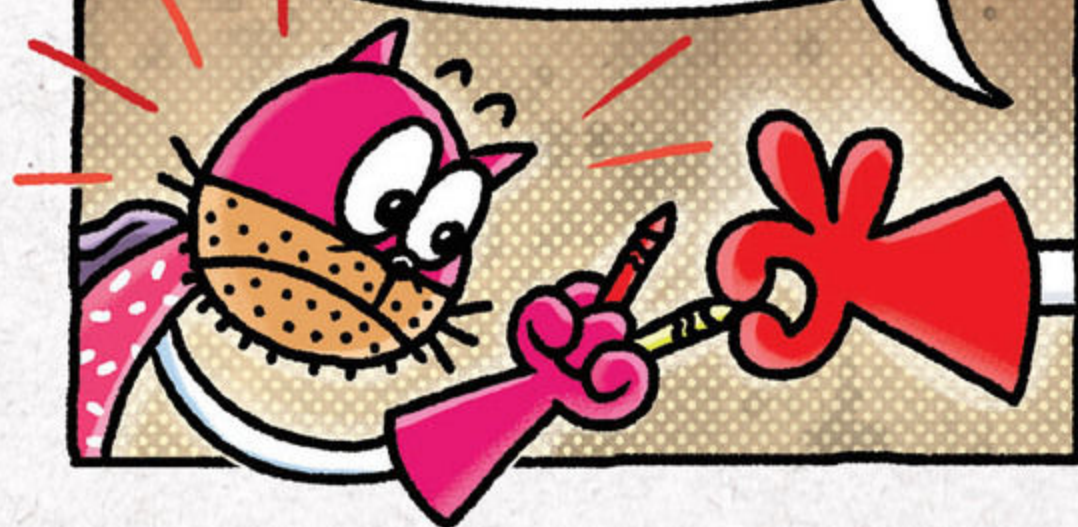
HUFF PUFF
PUFF



PUFF huff huff

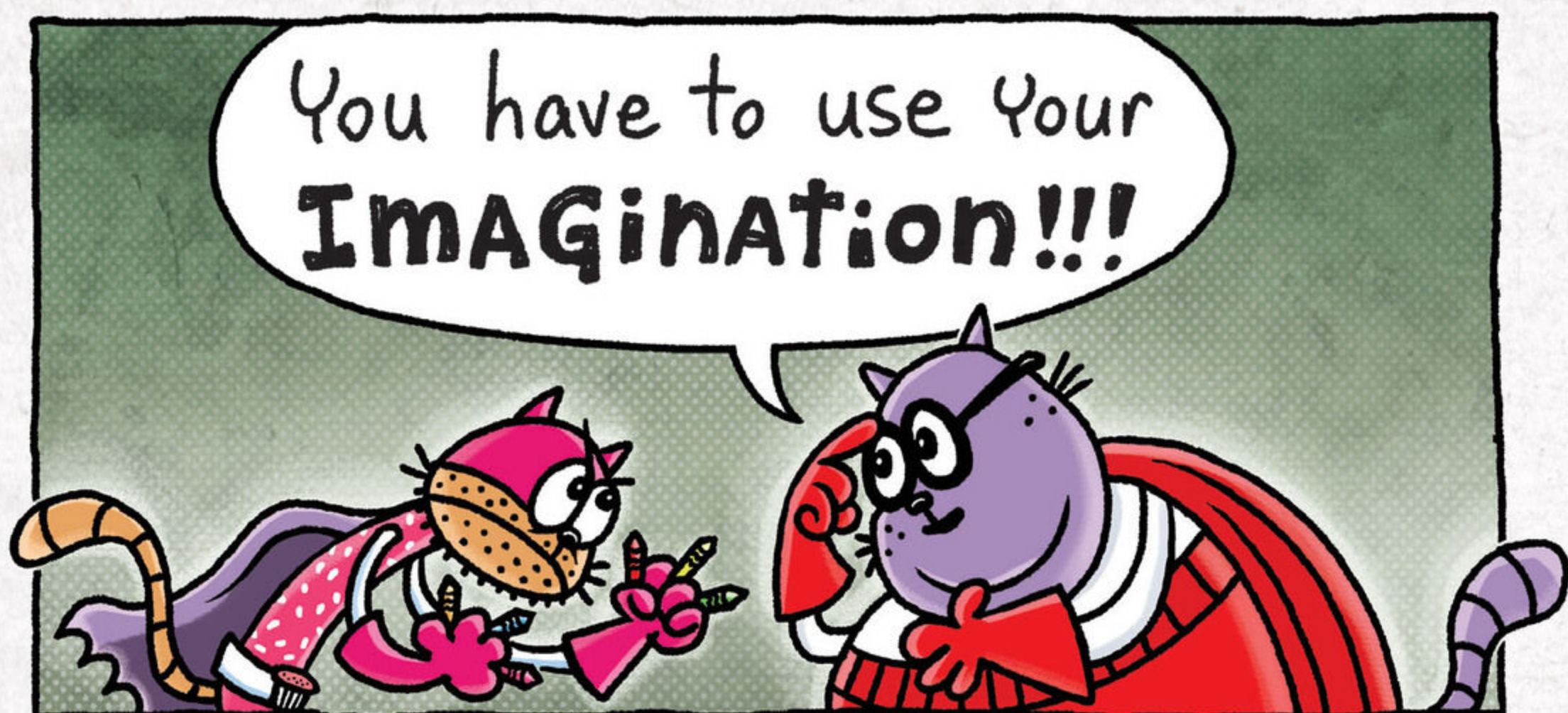


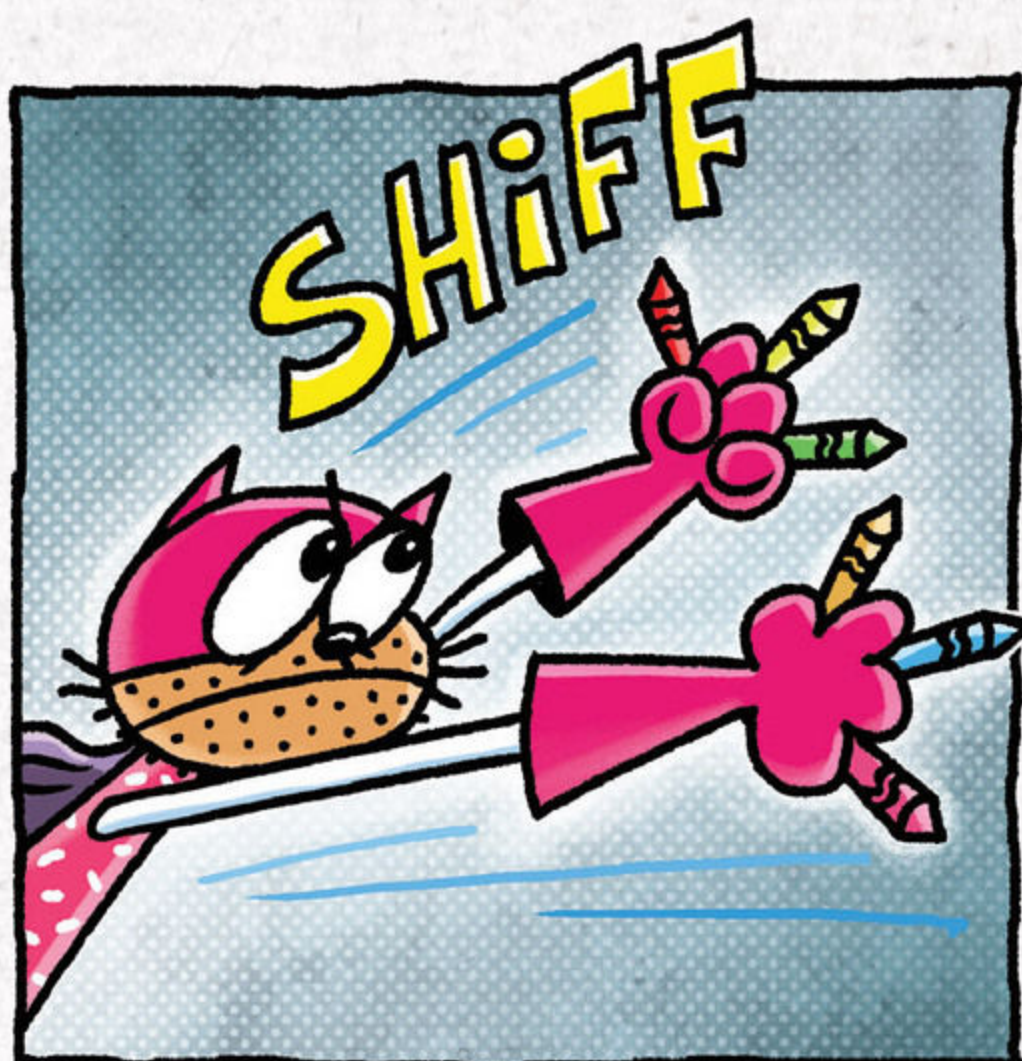
Now hold these
between Your
fingers!

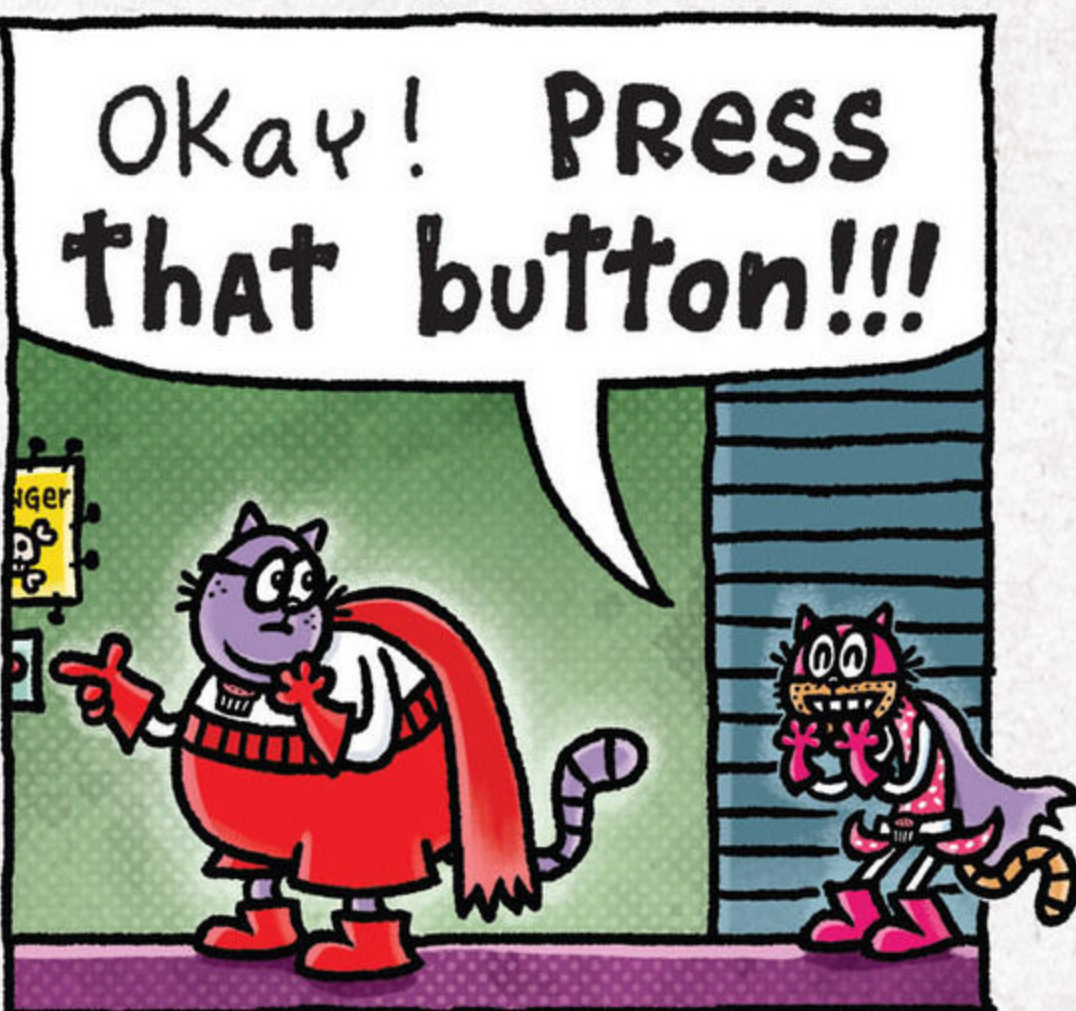


HEY! These ARE
CRAYONS!!!









READY?

FLiP-E-RAMA

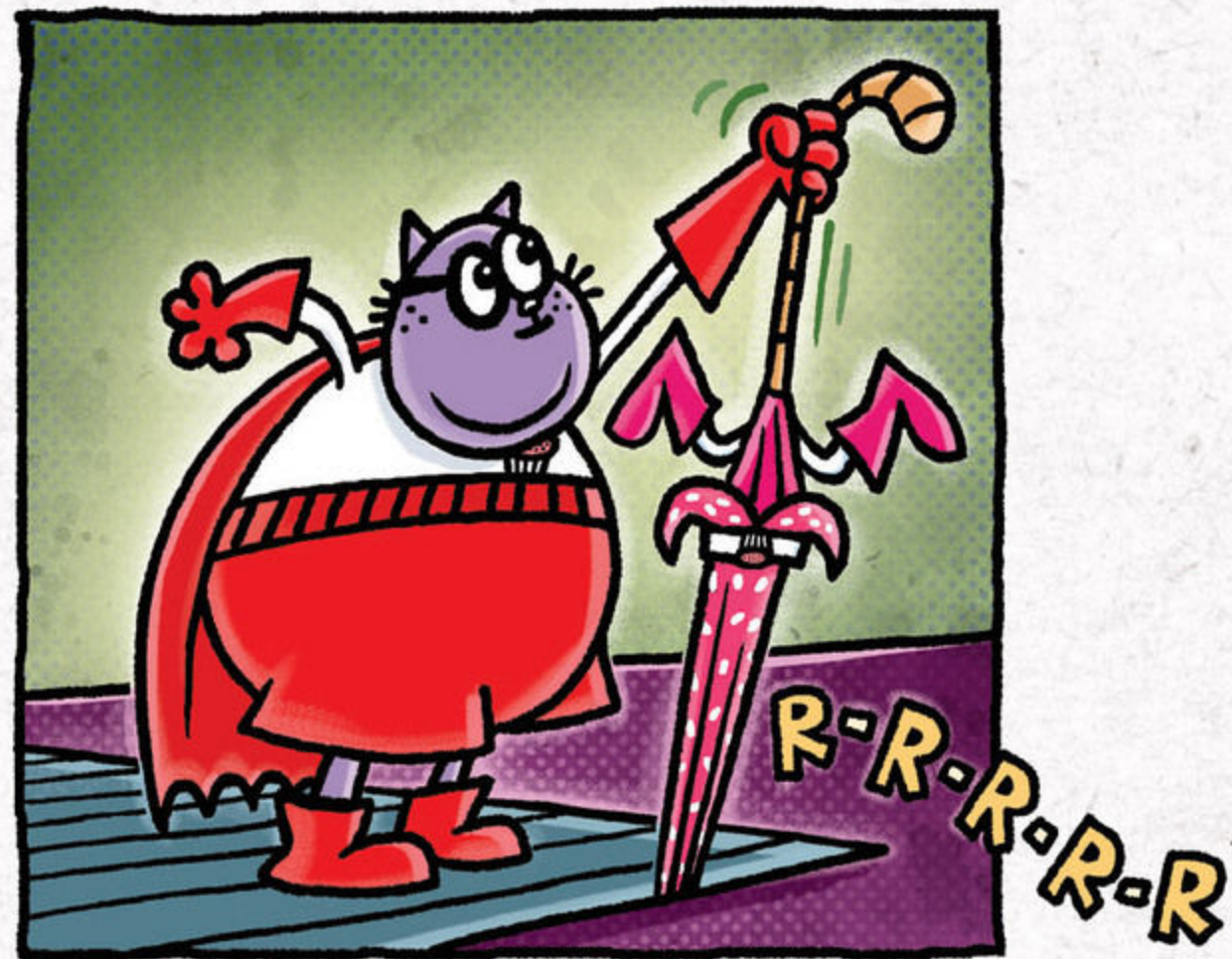
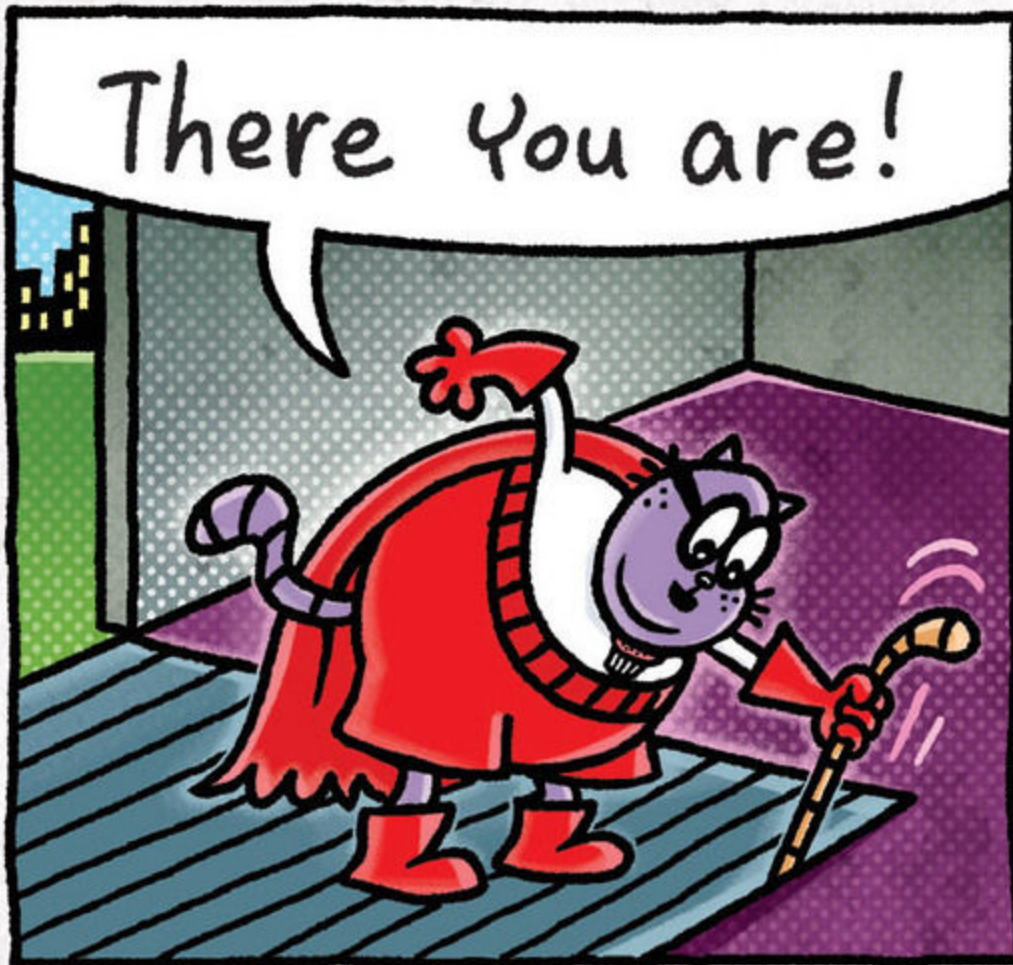


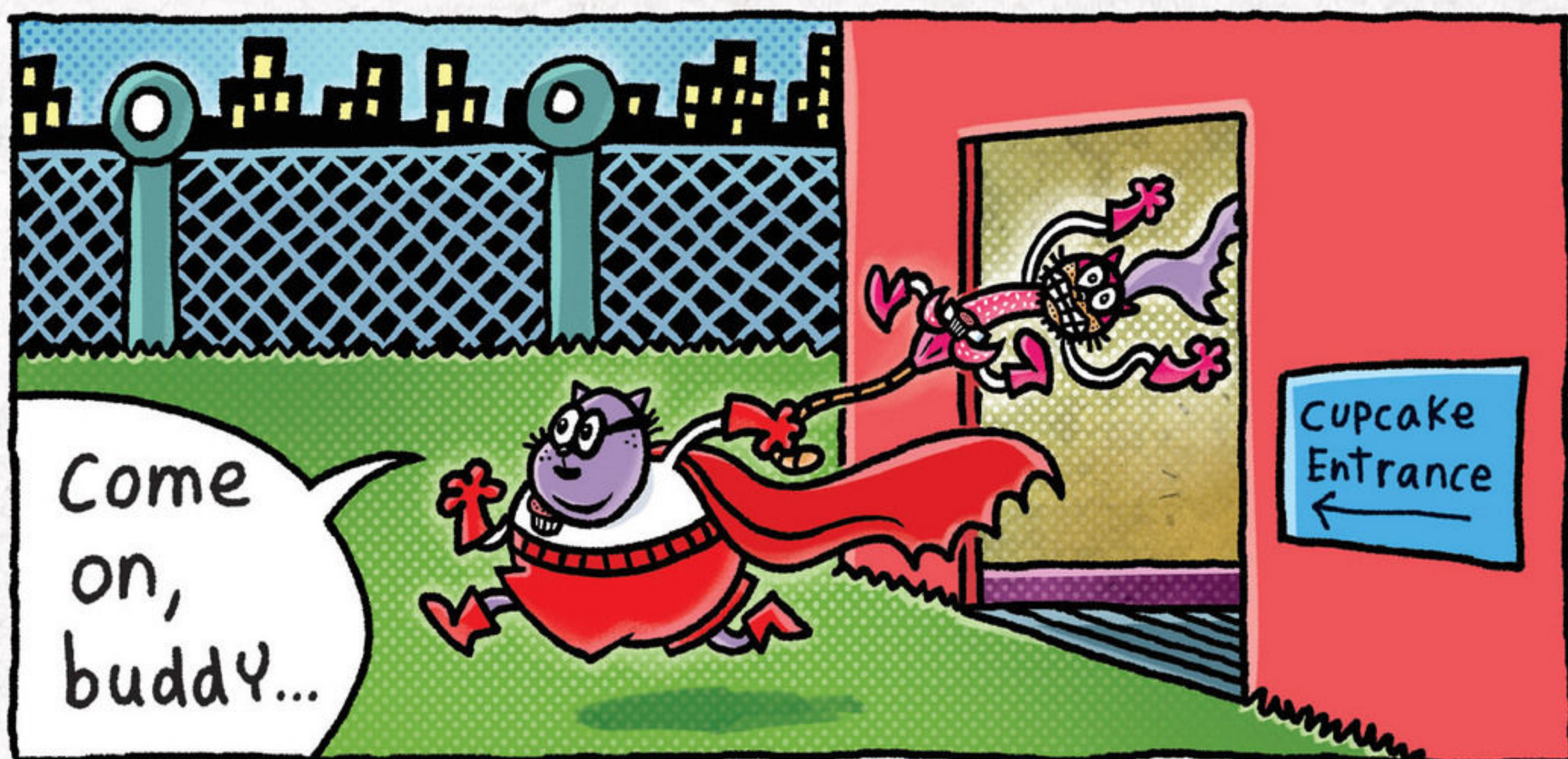
I A-DOOR Thee

FLiP-E-RAMA



I A-DOOR Thee





I ONLY AGREED TO WEAR THIS
SILLY COSTUME...



...So I Could Get
out of JAIL!!!



Now I'm DONE
with COSTUMES...

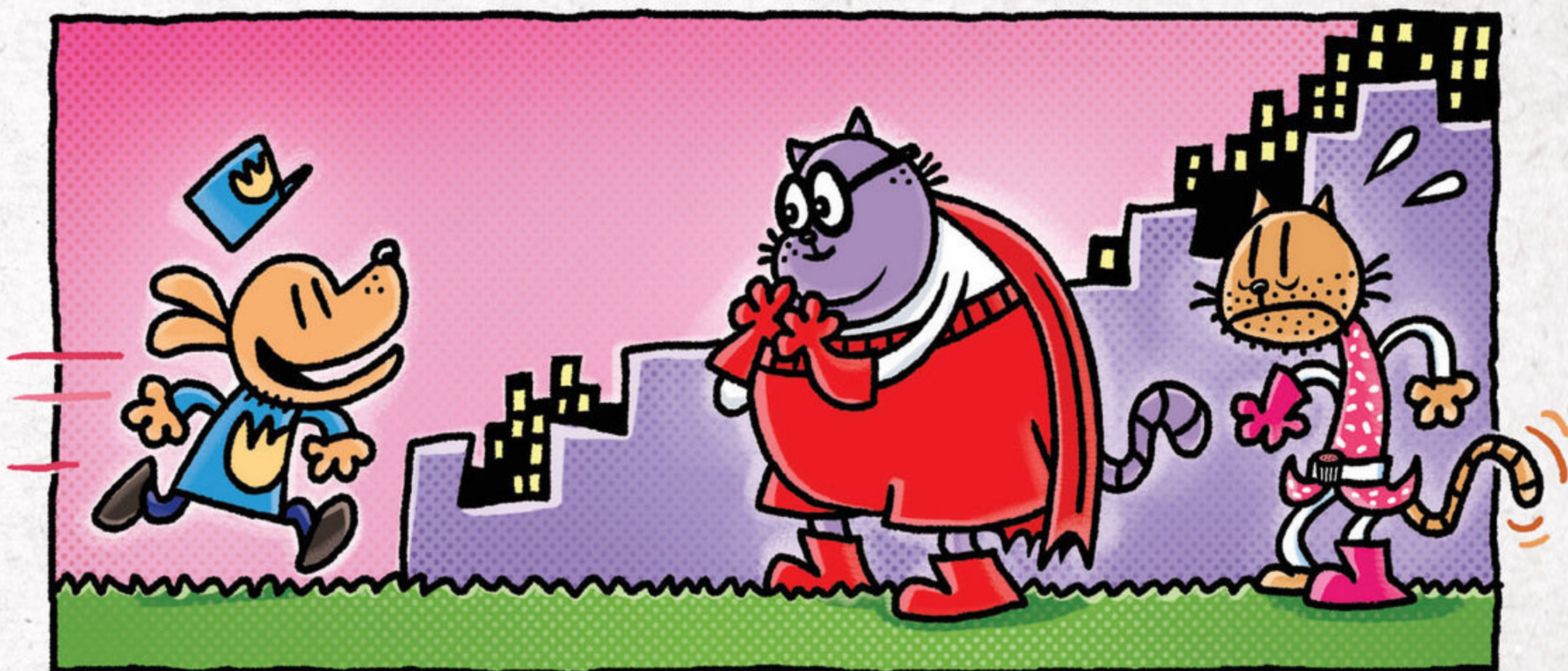


...DONE with
SUPERHEROES...



...And DONE
with YOU!!!





Grampa Just escaped
from **CAT JAIL**...



...**AND** he's
being **MEAN!**



GRRRRRRRRRRRR

NOW HOLD ON...



...**I can explain!!!**

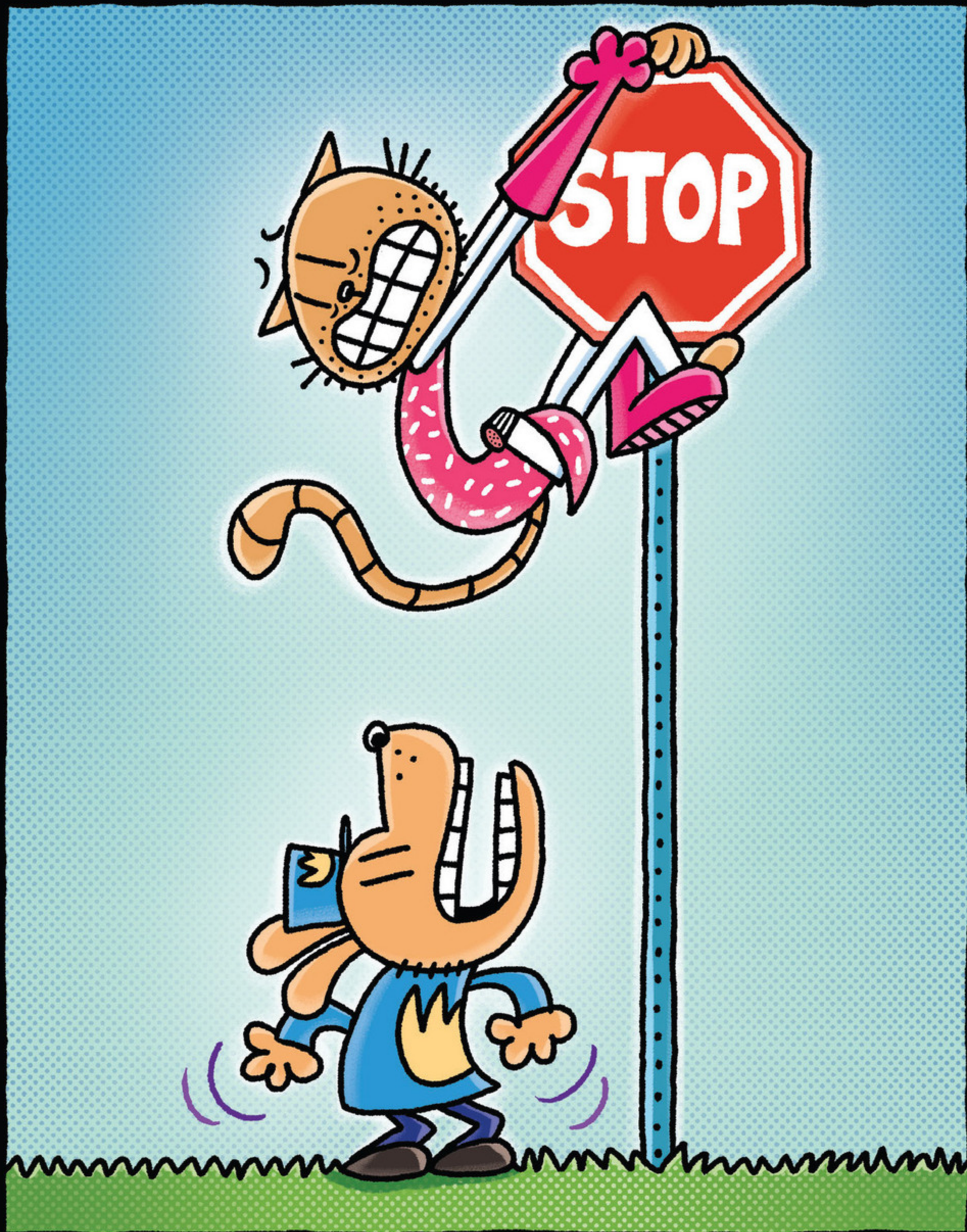
**RUFF
RUFF
RUFF**



**GO ON, FLIP
THAT BAD BOY!**

READY?

FLiP-E-RAMA

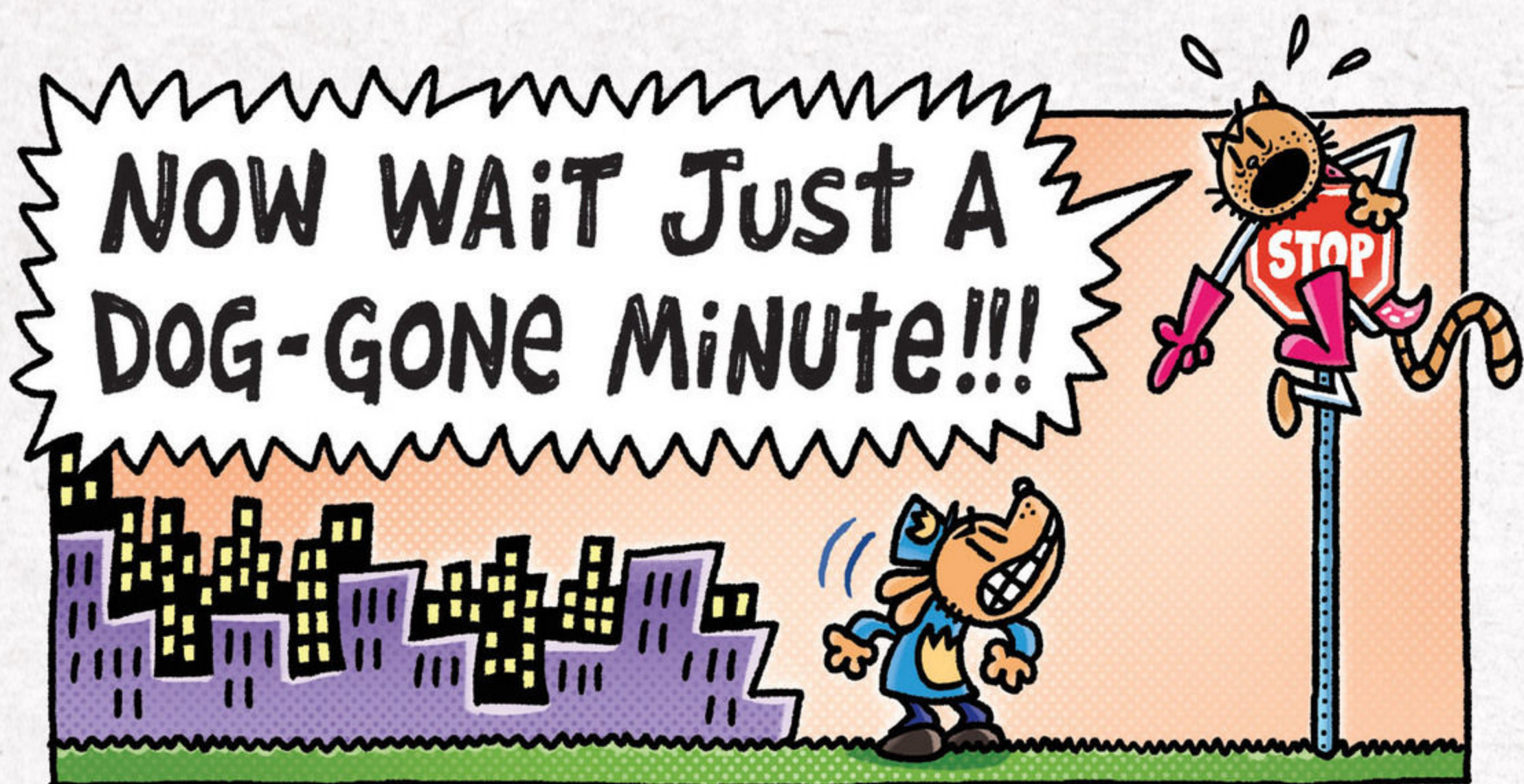


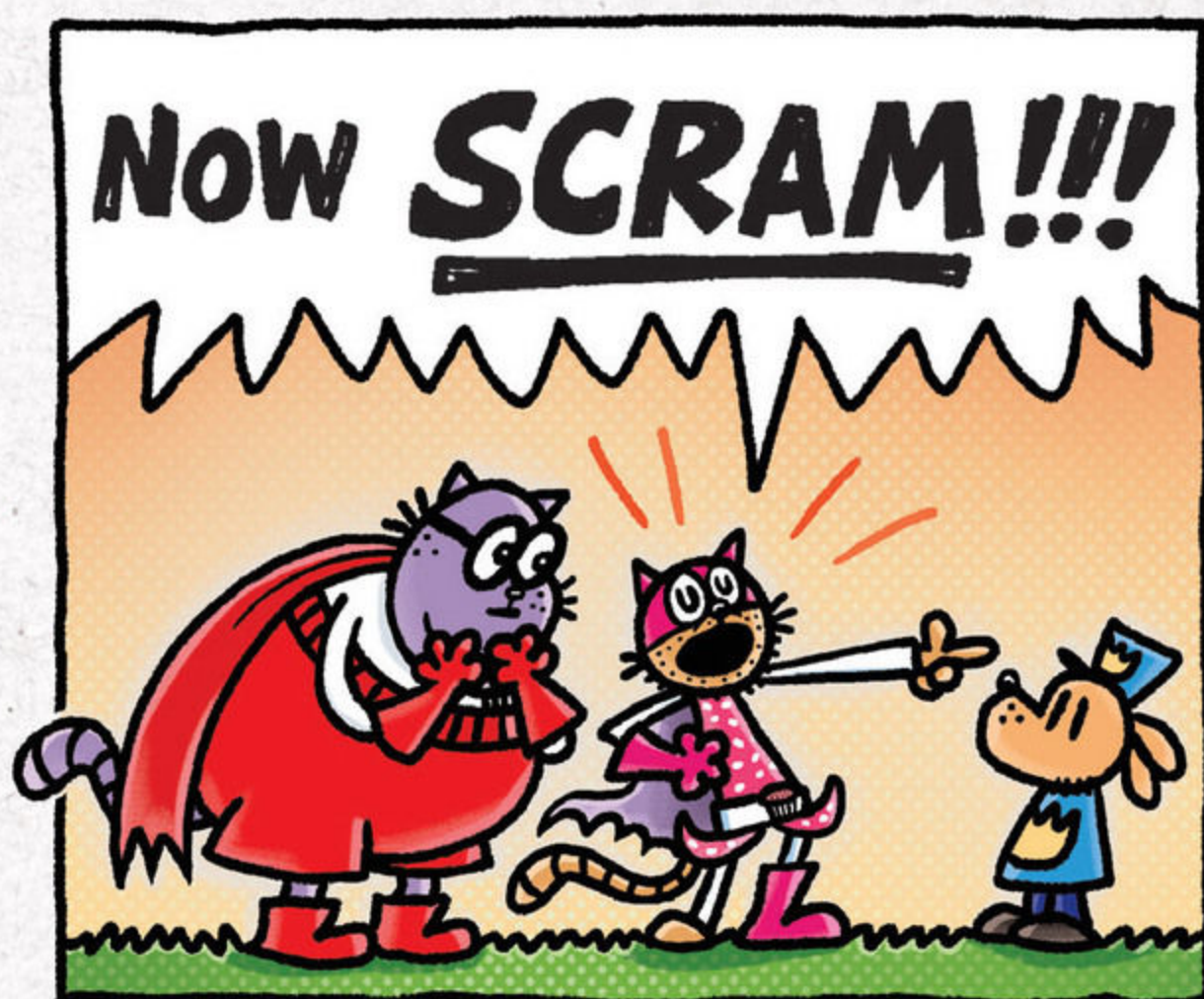
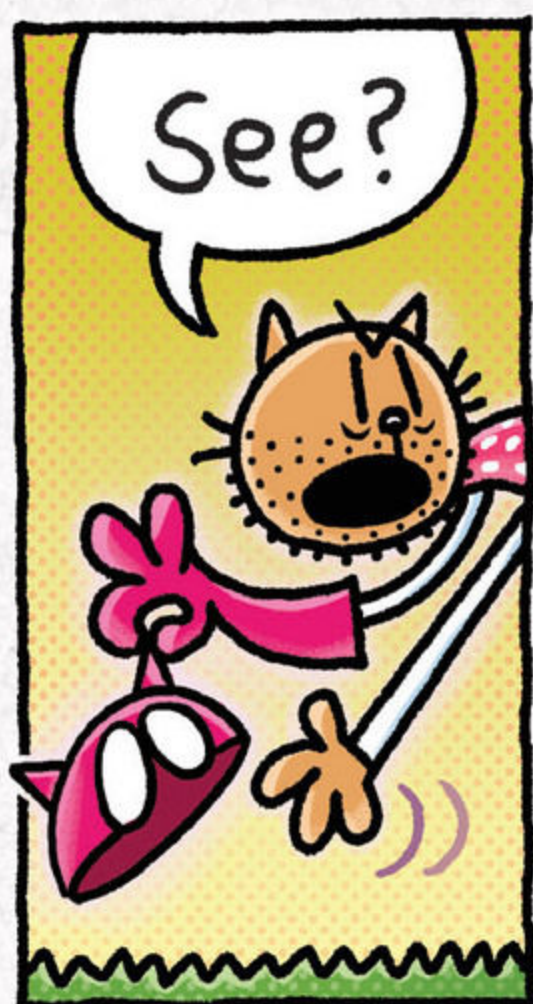
Jumpy for Grumpy

FLiP-E-RAMA



Jumpy for Grumpy





I can handle
it from here.



I didn't know
You were friends
with **DOG MAN!**



Oh, yes. We Go
WAY BACK!!!



I'll tell you
the story!



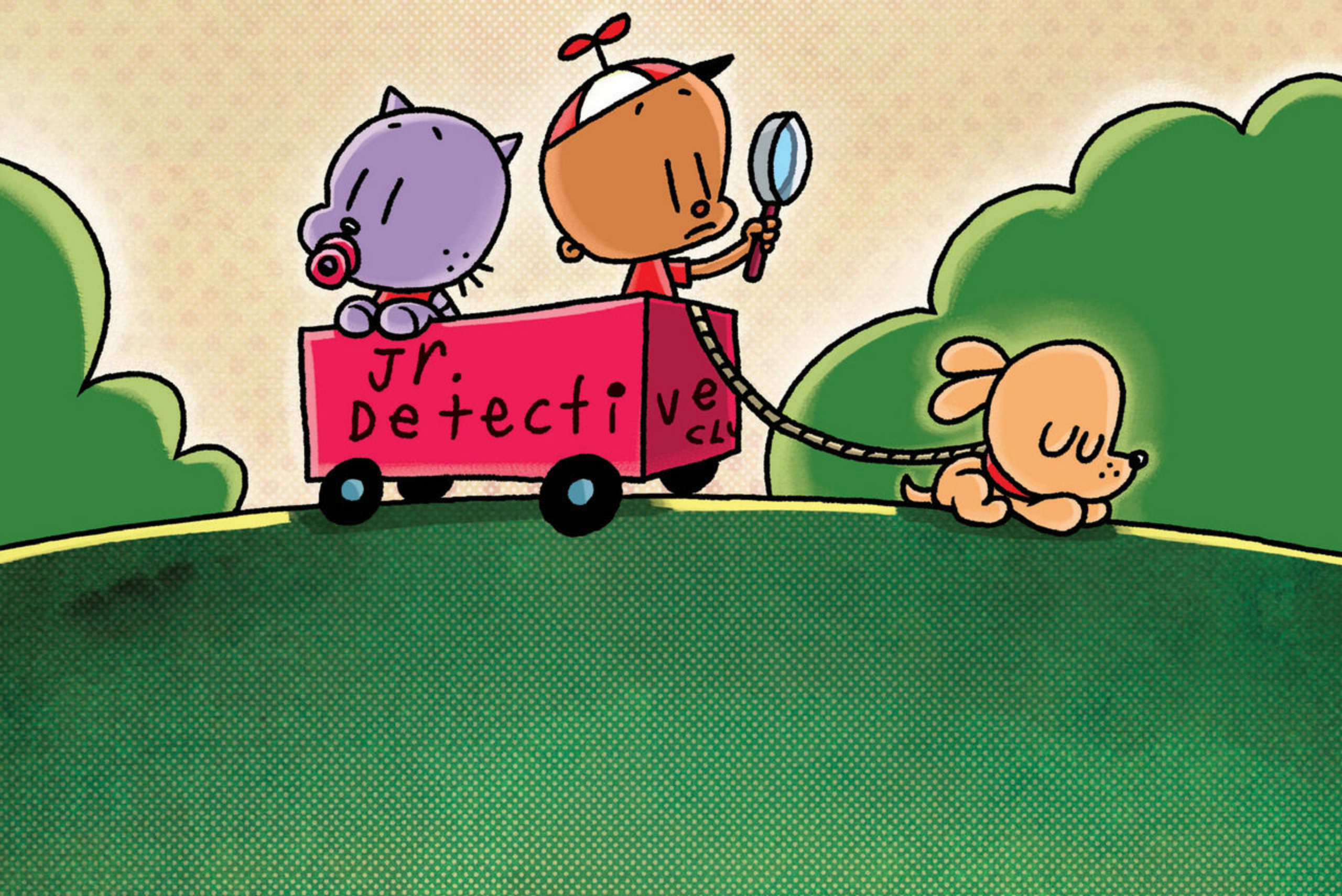
Once upon a time...



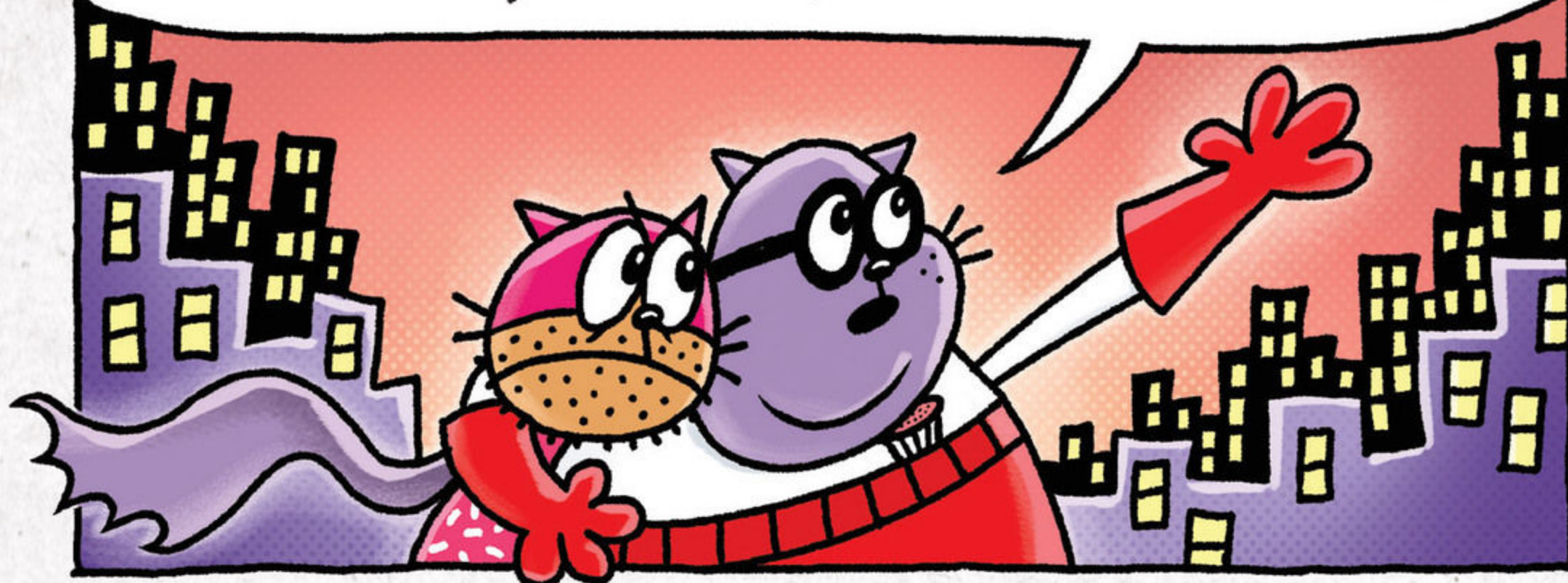
Noooooooo...

CHAPTER 6

The Junior Detective Club



Previously, on Big Jim's Flashback...



...Momma and Daddy were looking for the Ring.

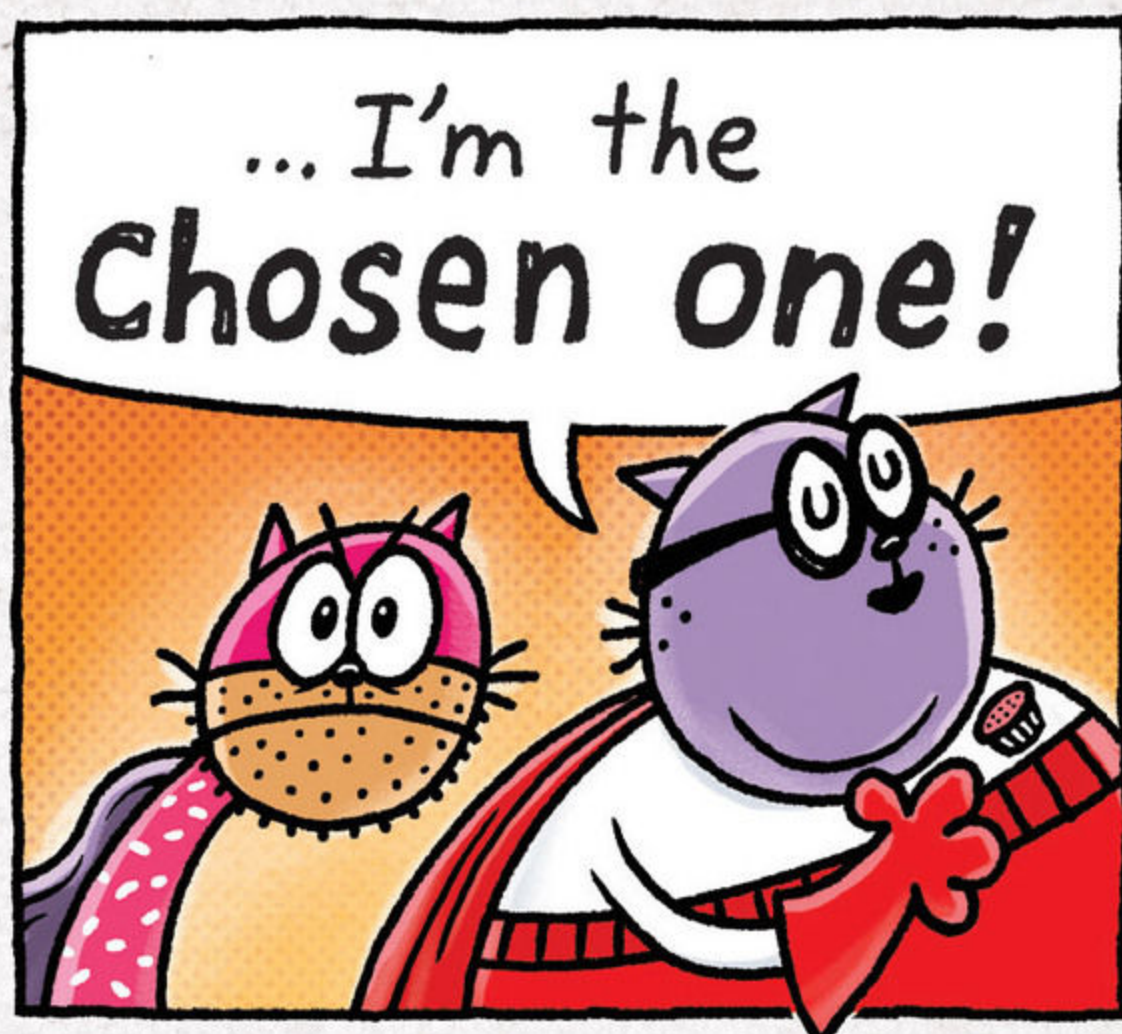
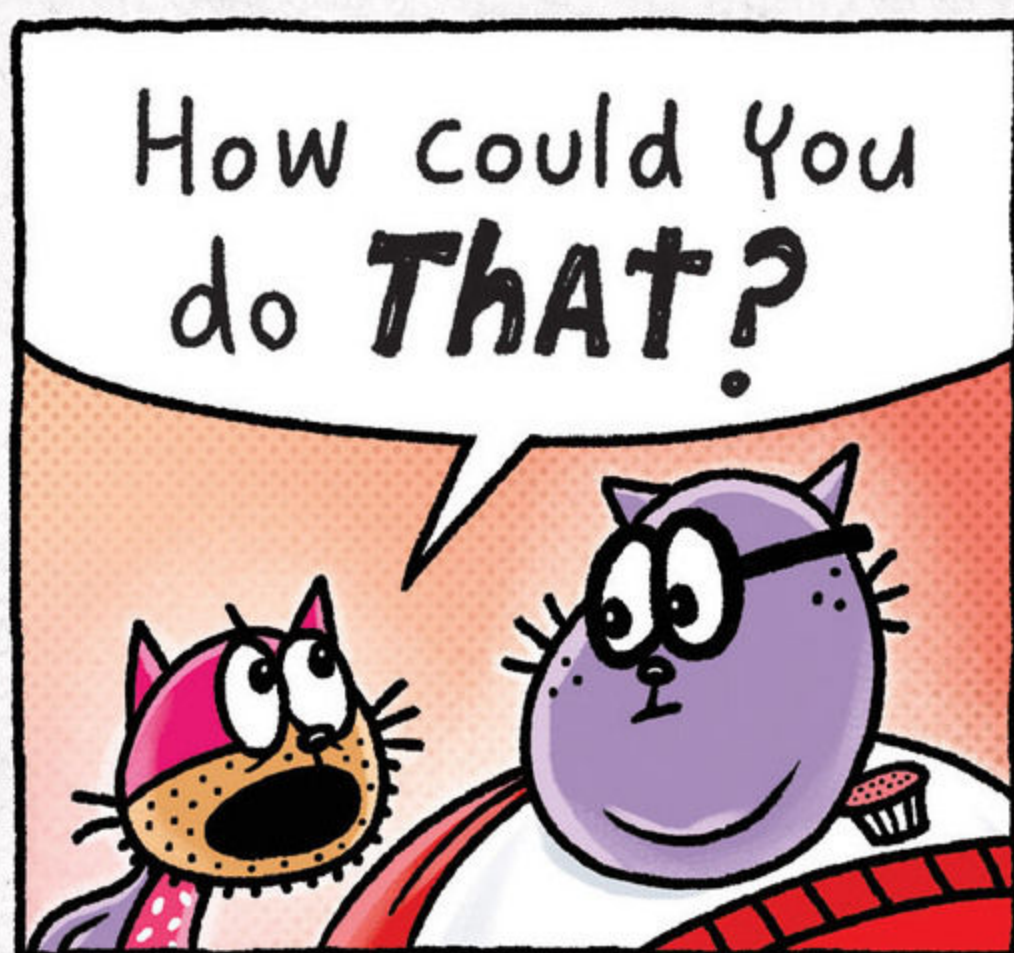


They searched all over...



...but it was never found.



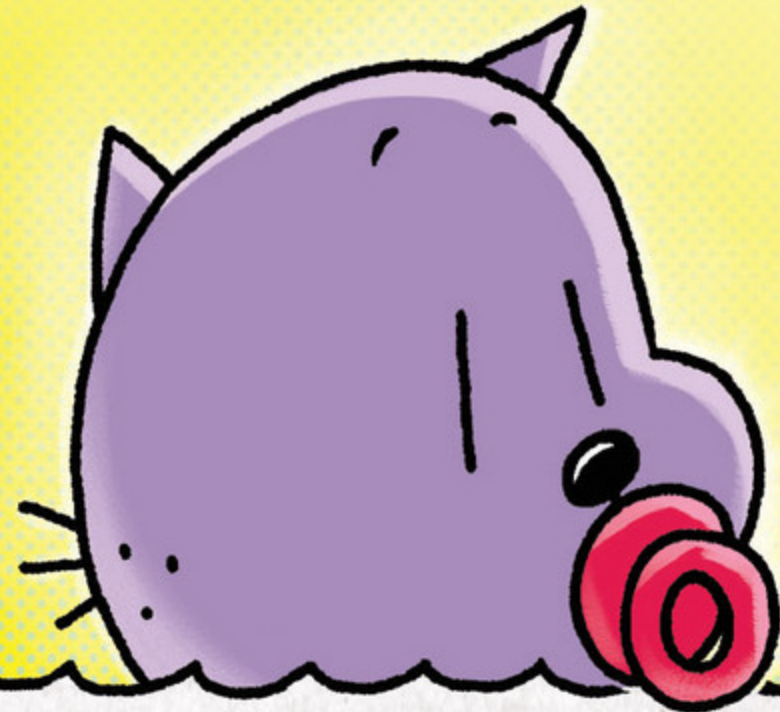




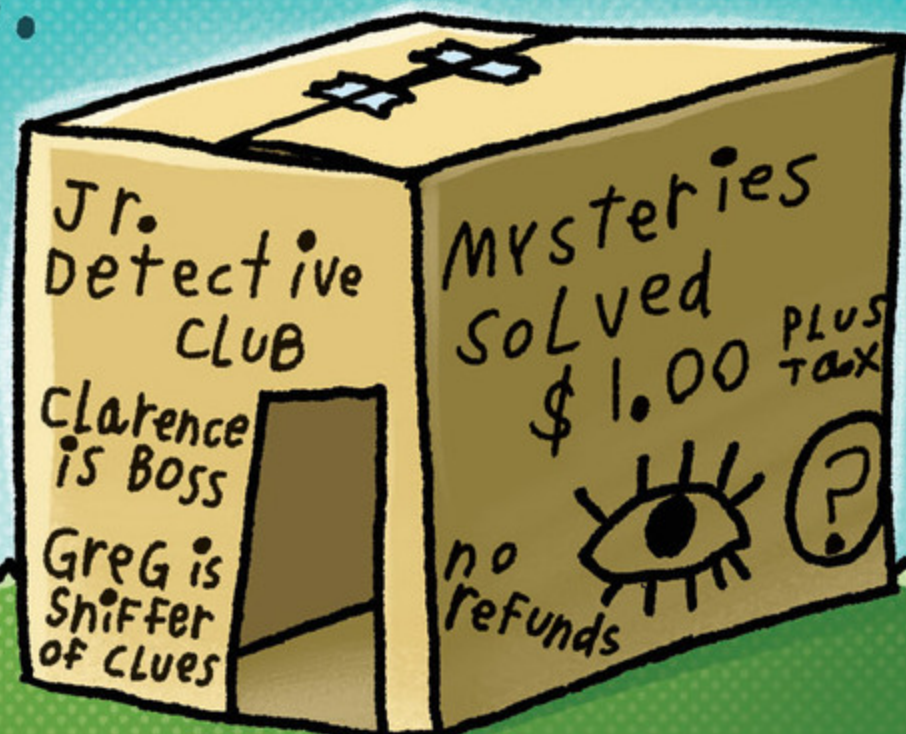
...but I knew
I'd need help.



So I hired...



...ProfessionALS.



Don't worry,
little Kid...



...We'll help You
find that ring!!!



So we got into
a helicopter...



Flick



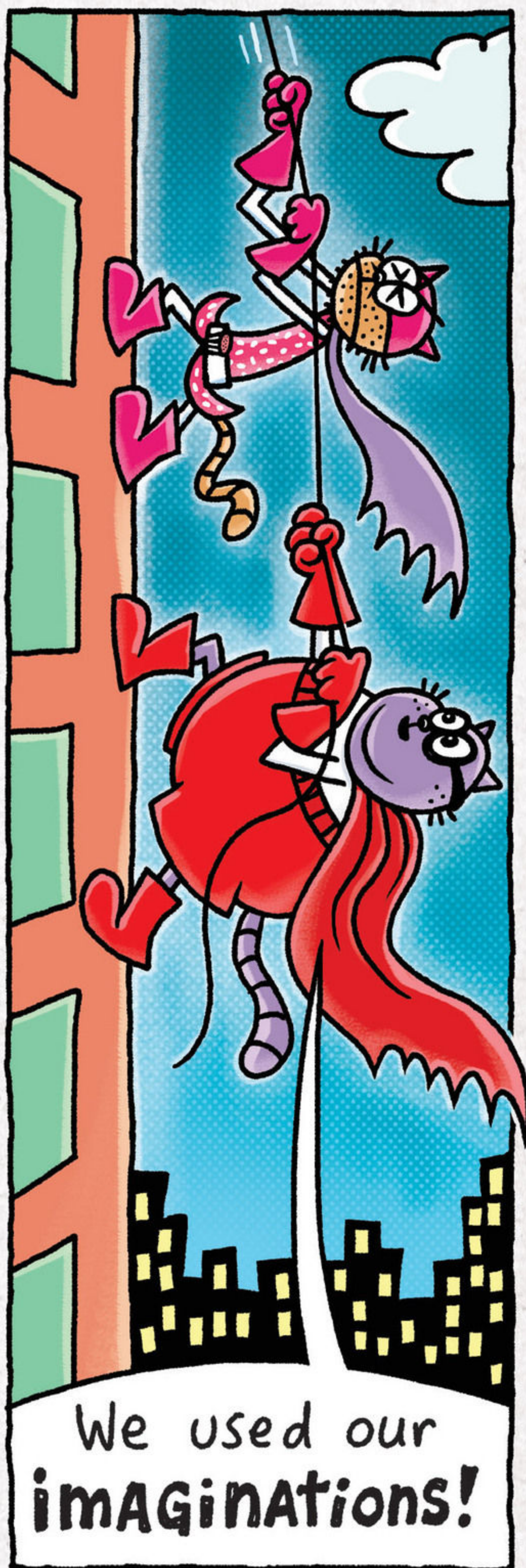
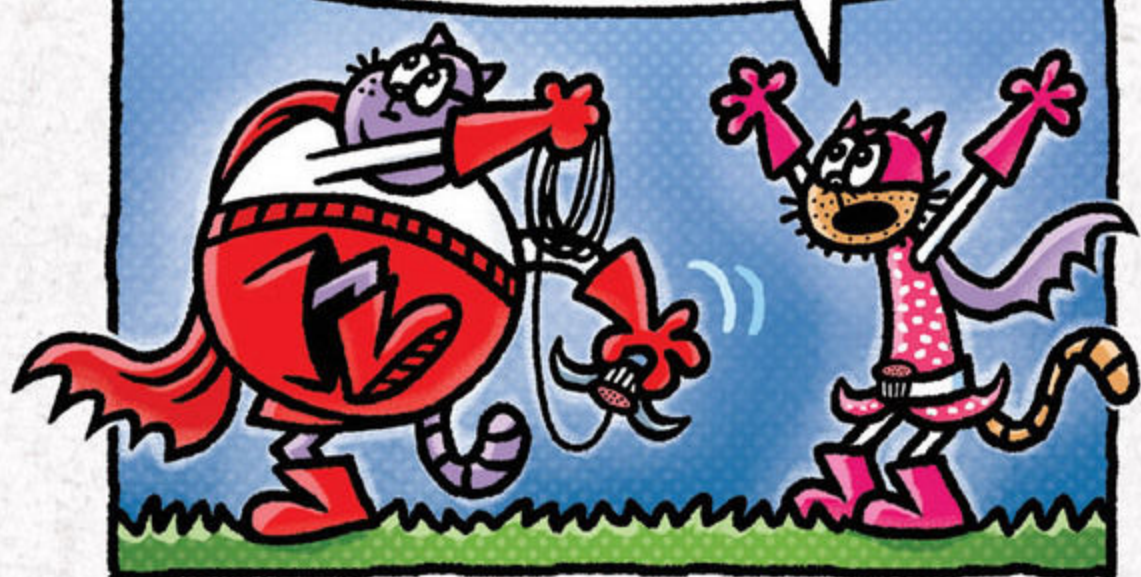
...and looked for
clues!



Wait a minute...



...how did You Get
a **Helicopter?**



We used our
imAGinations!



...we flew
all over town...



... Searching
for clues...



...and Questioning
Suspects.



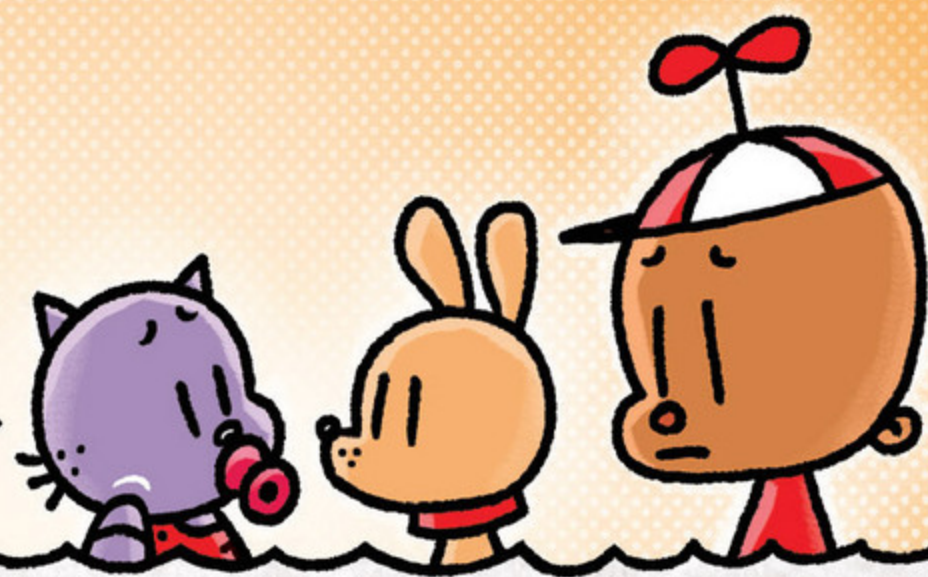
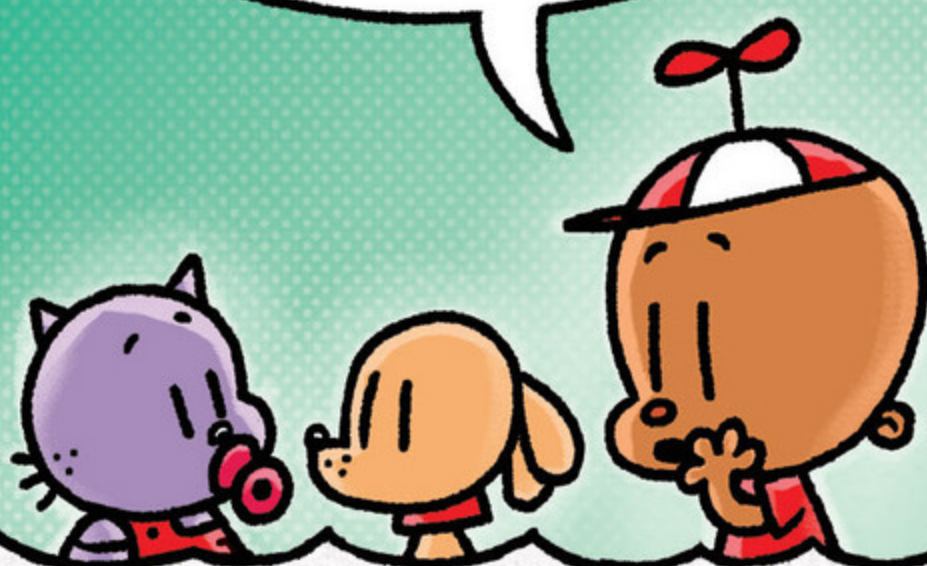
Where were You on
the night of...



... Umm...



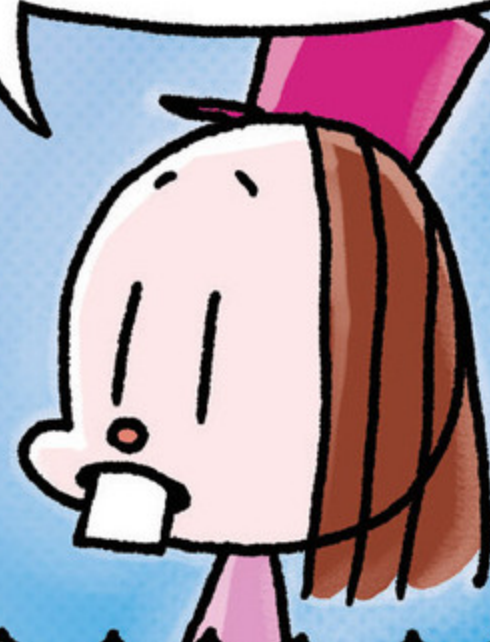
Which night
was it?



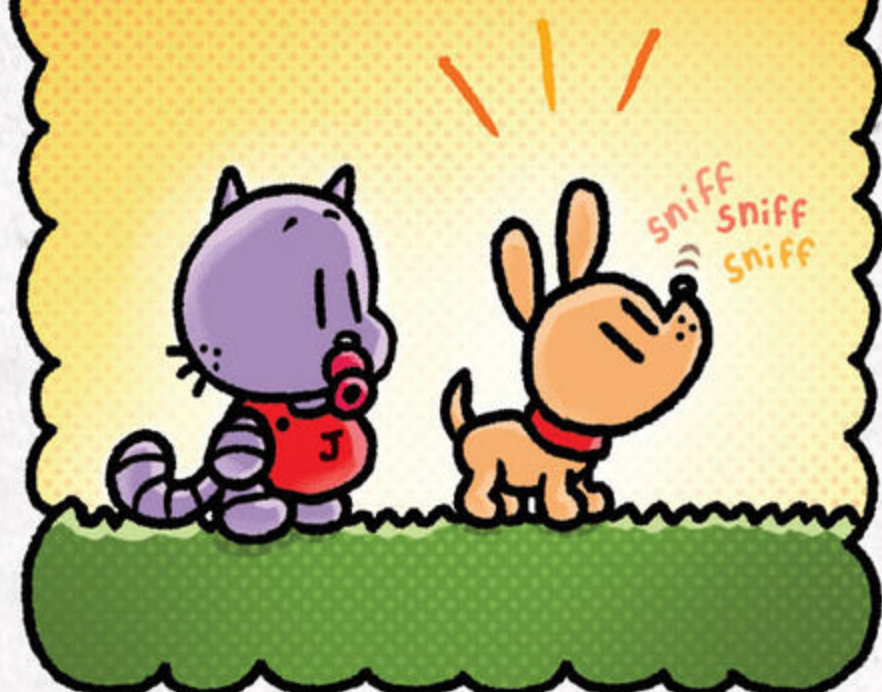
... on the night
he can't remember?



I don't
remember.



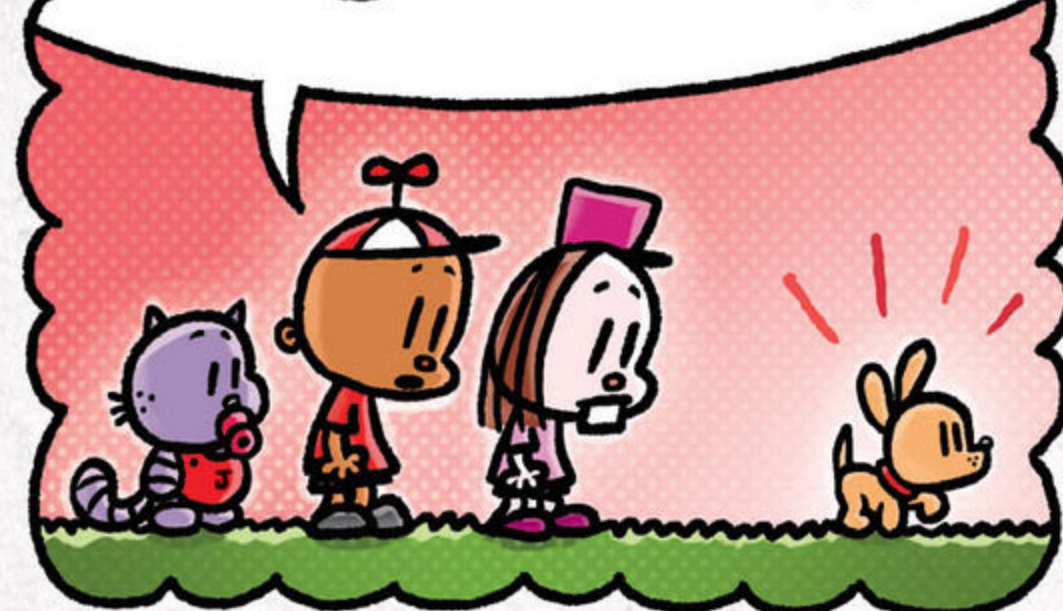
But then...



What is it, Greg?



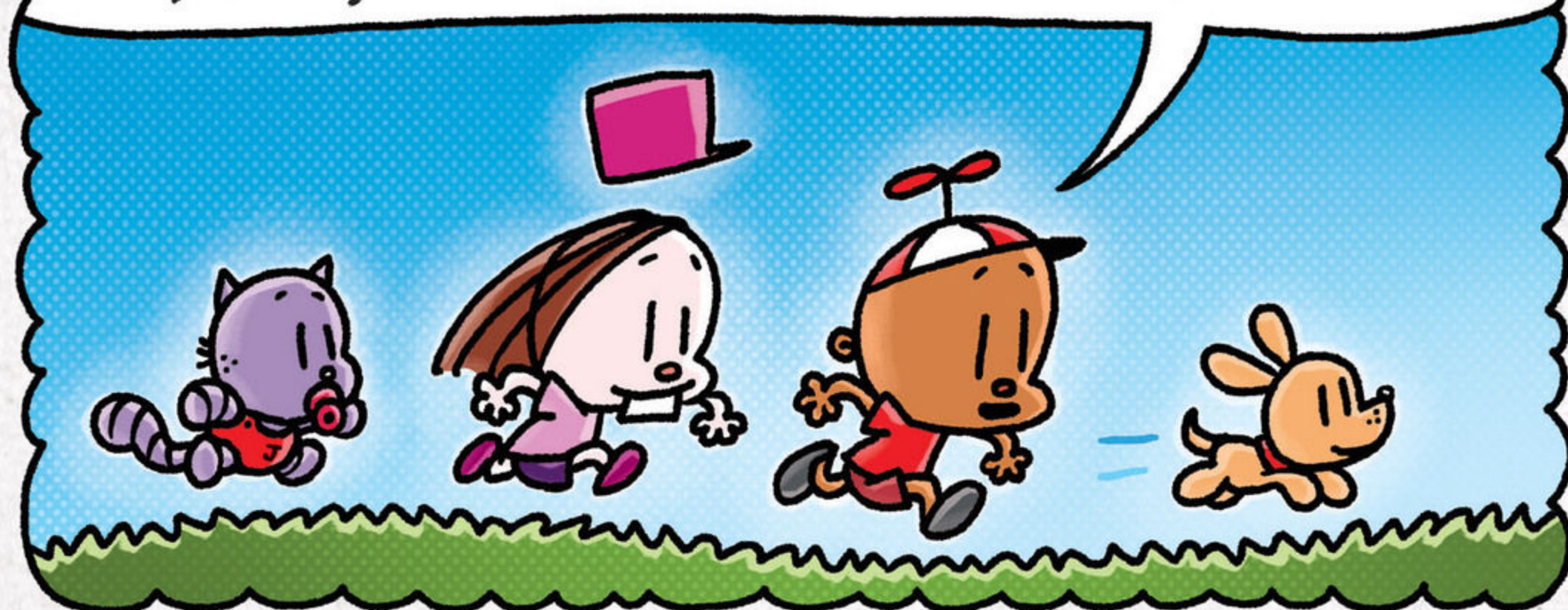
He picked up
a **Scent!!!**



Let's Go,
fellas!!!



Oh, boy, This is Gonna be **GREAT!!!**





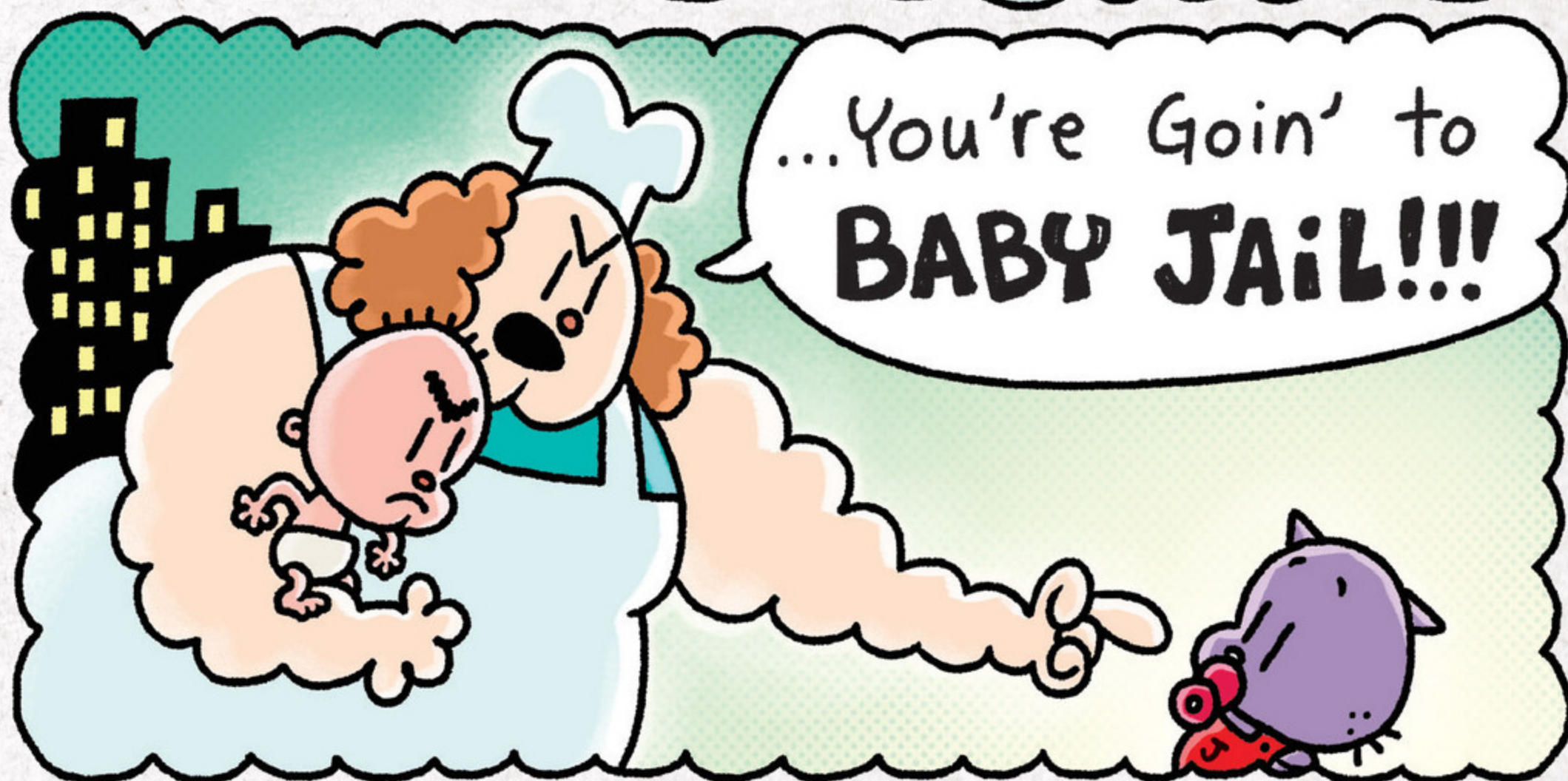
You shouldn't eat things that don't belong to you!!!

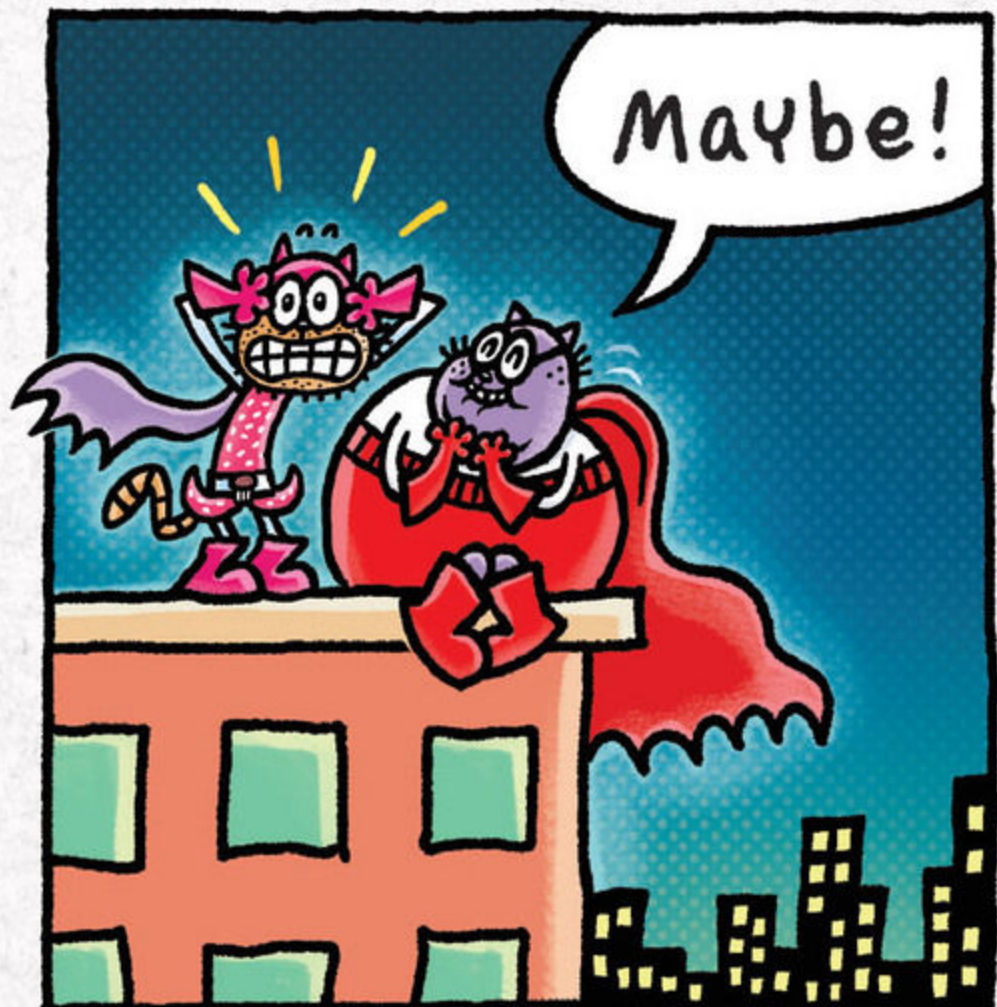
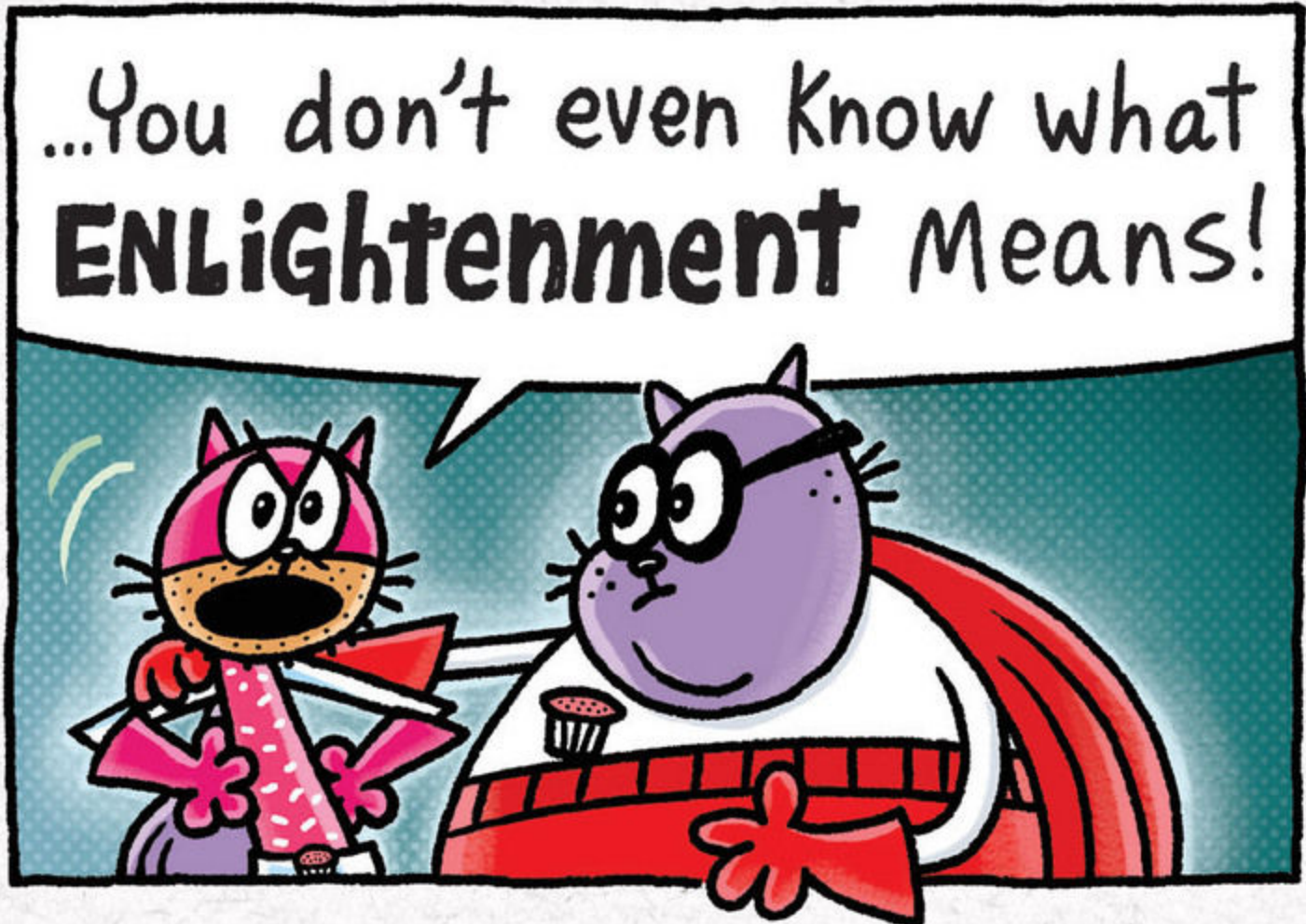
Yeah!!!

Hey!

What's the
BiG Idea?

Who's Gonna PAY FOR This???

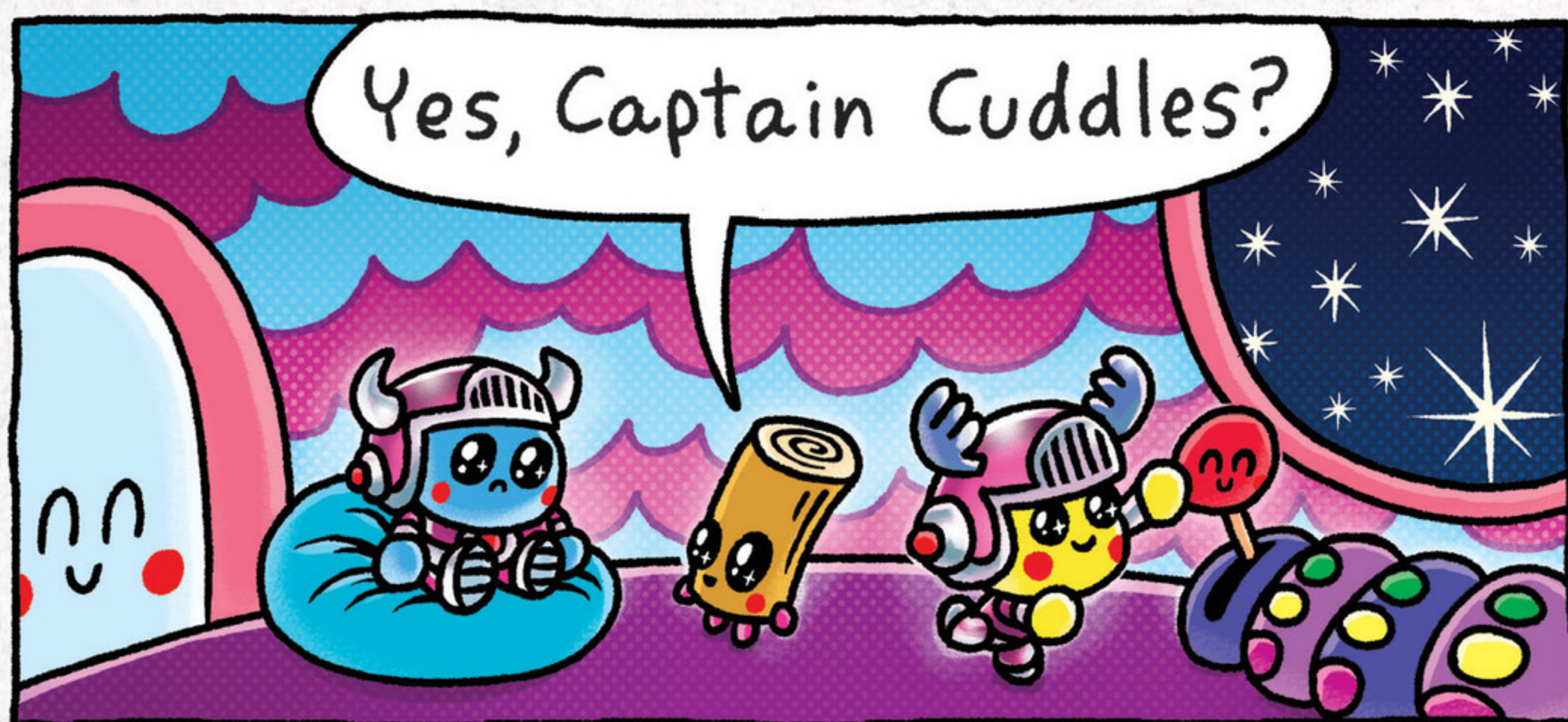
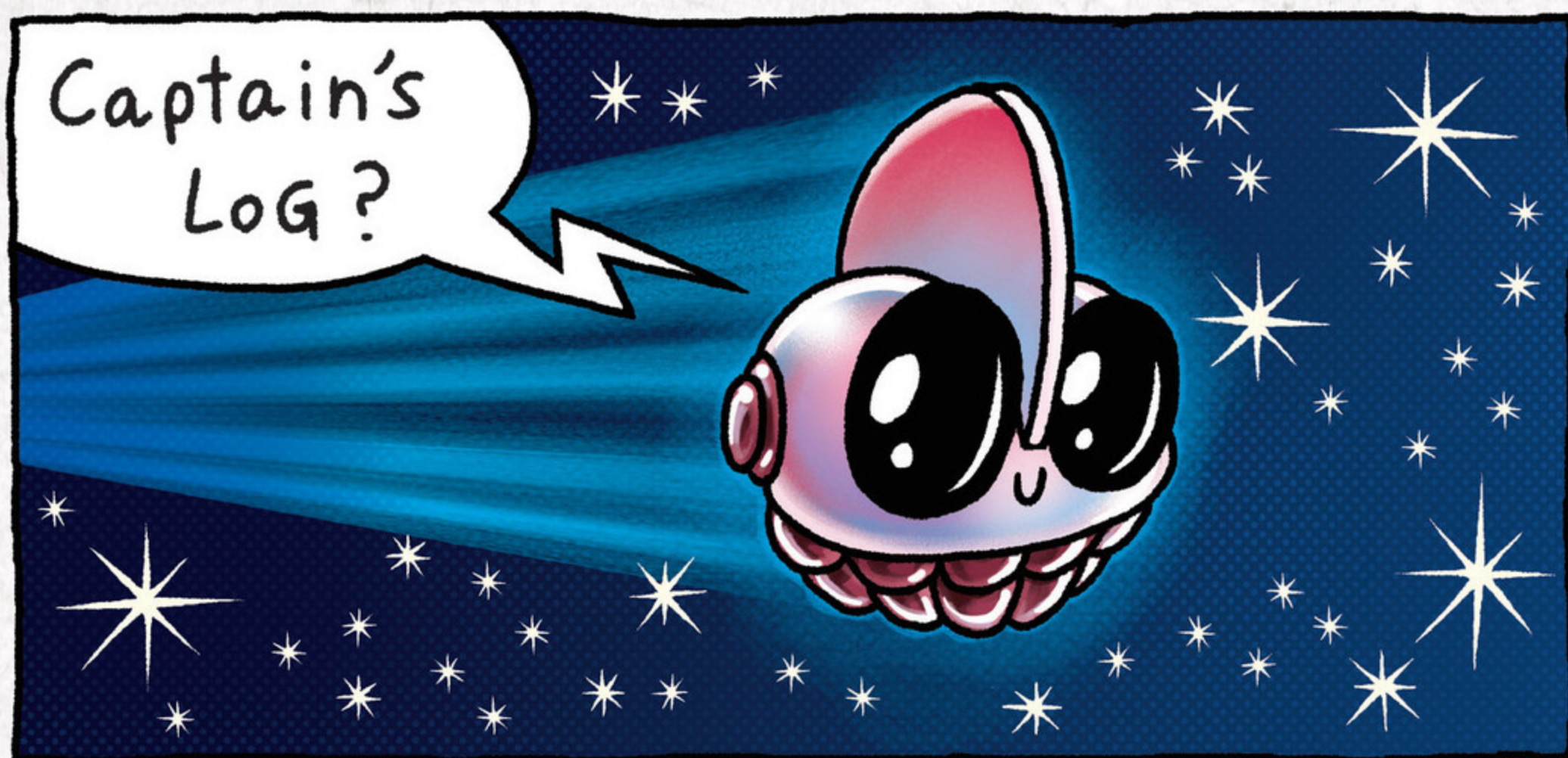




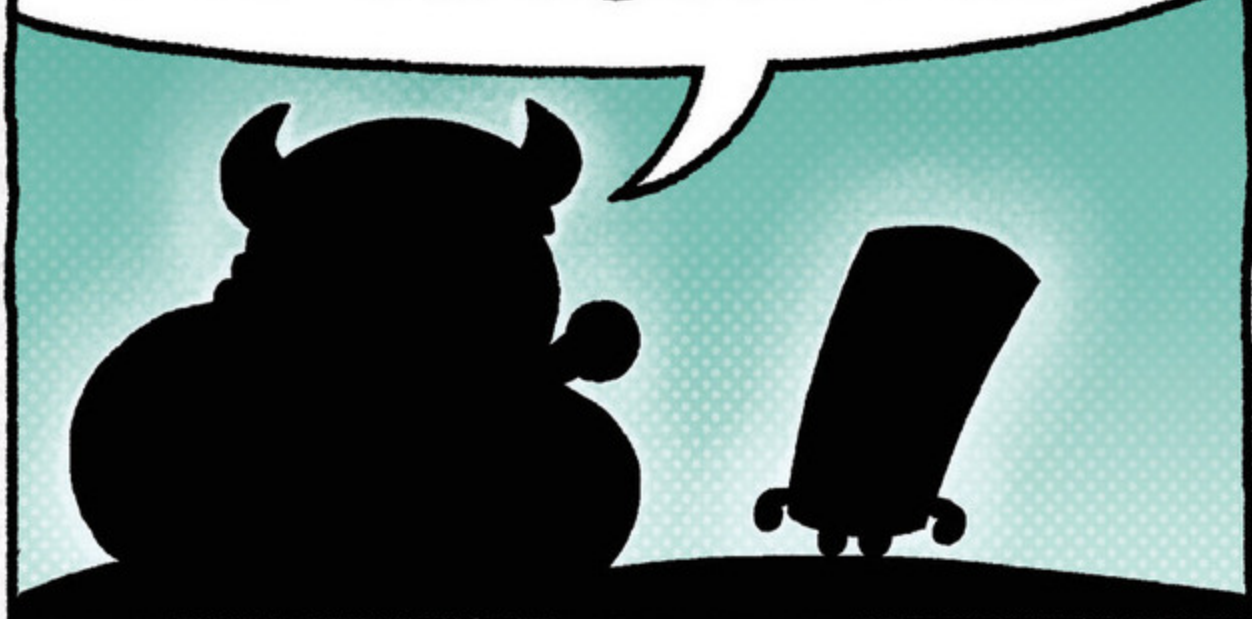
CHAPTER 7

Meanwhile,
in Outer
SPACE

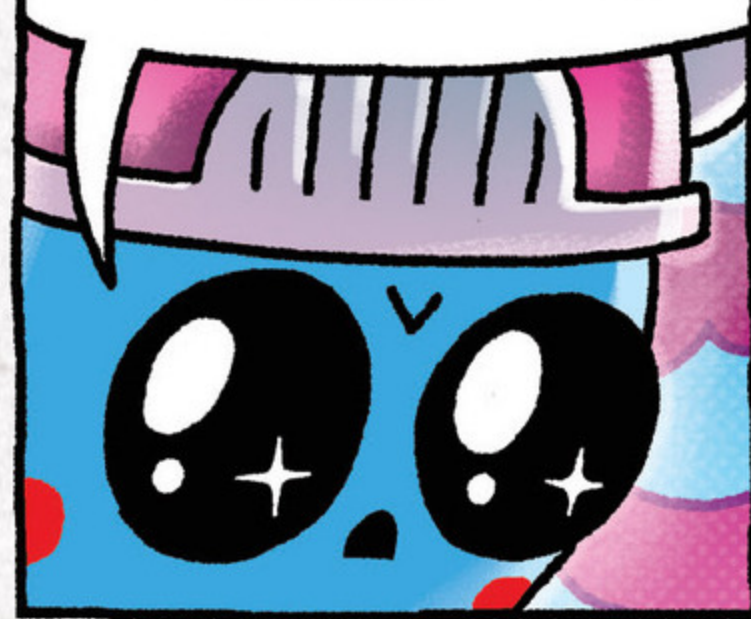




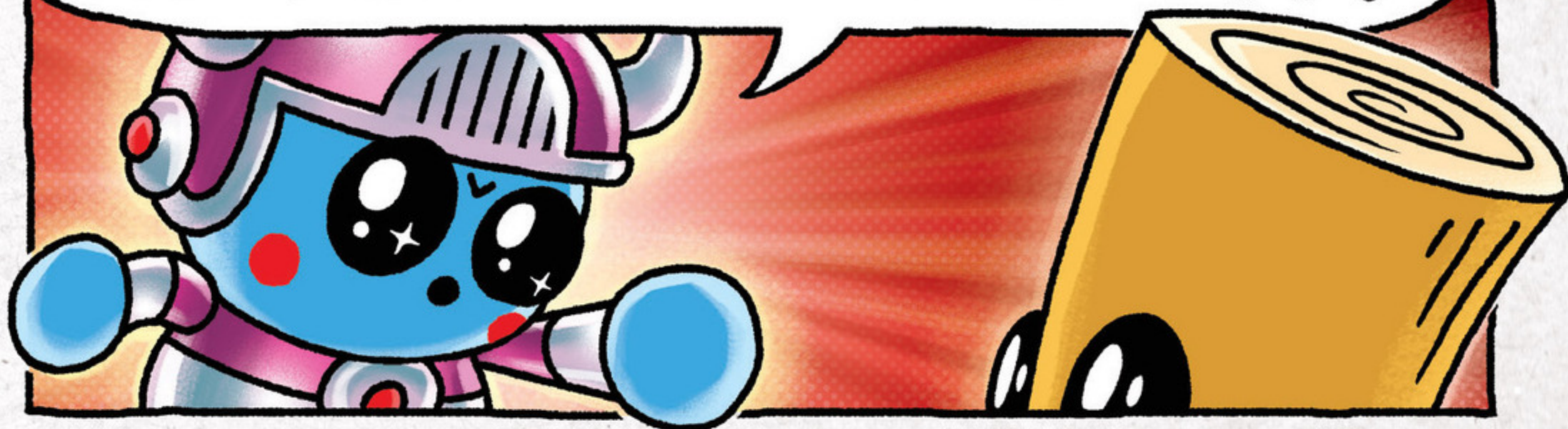
And what about
the **Chosen One**?



Has she
found it?



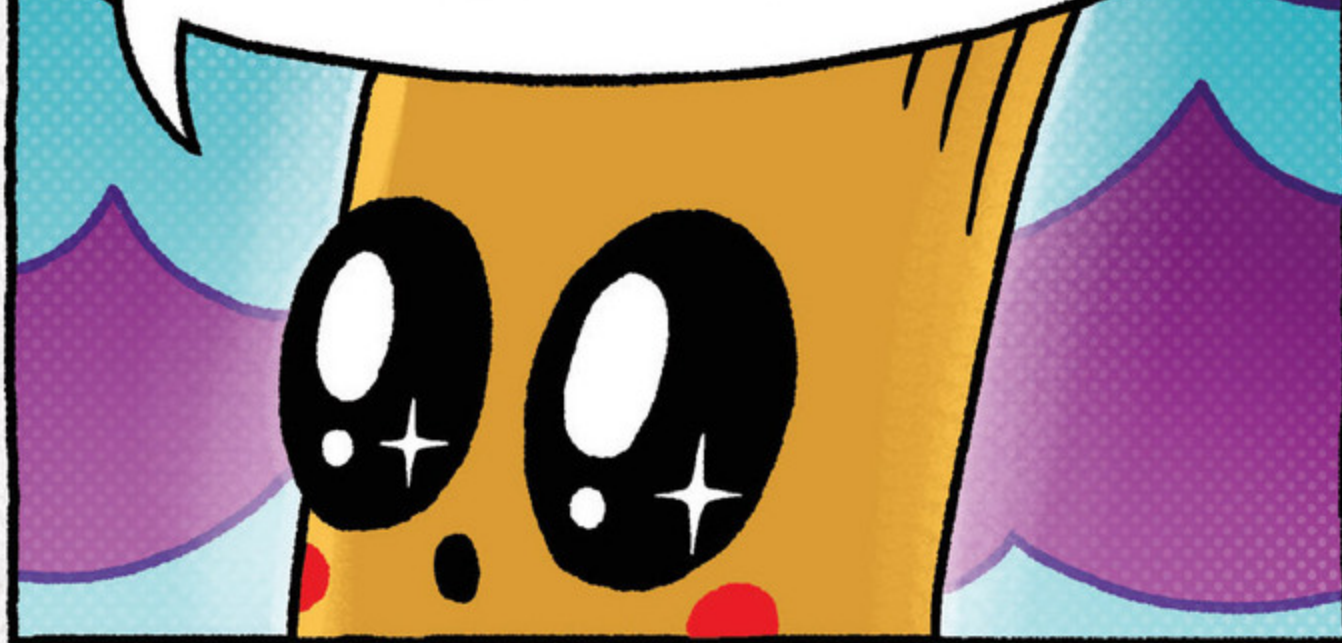
Has she found **The Ring
of DESTINY AND STUFF?**



No, my
Captain.



There was a **Big
Mix-UP!!!**



And how
do You
Know this?



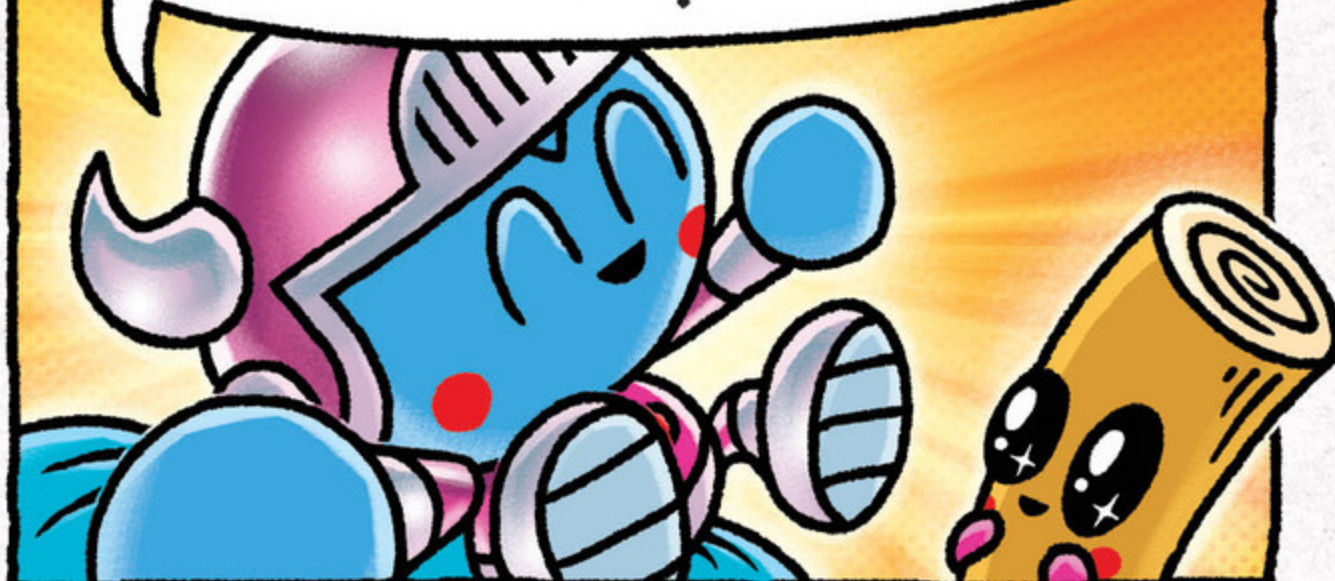
I read the first
three chapters of
this book, Captain.



Excellent.



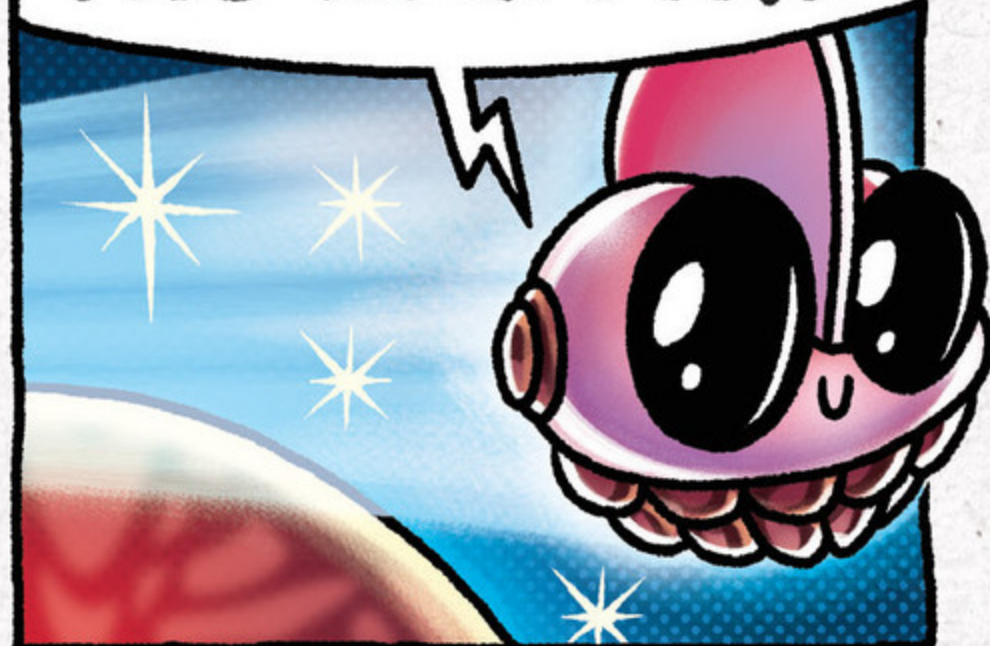
Now **NOBODY**
can stop us!!!



The Space Cuties
from Space...



...shall **CRUSH**
The **EARTH!!!**

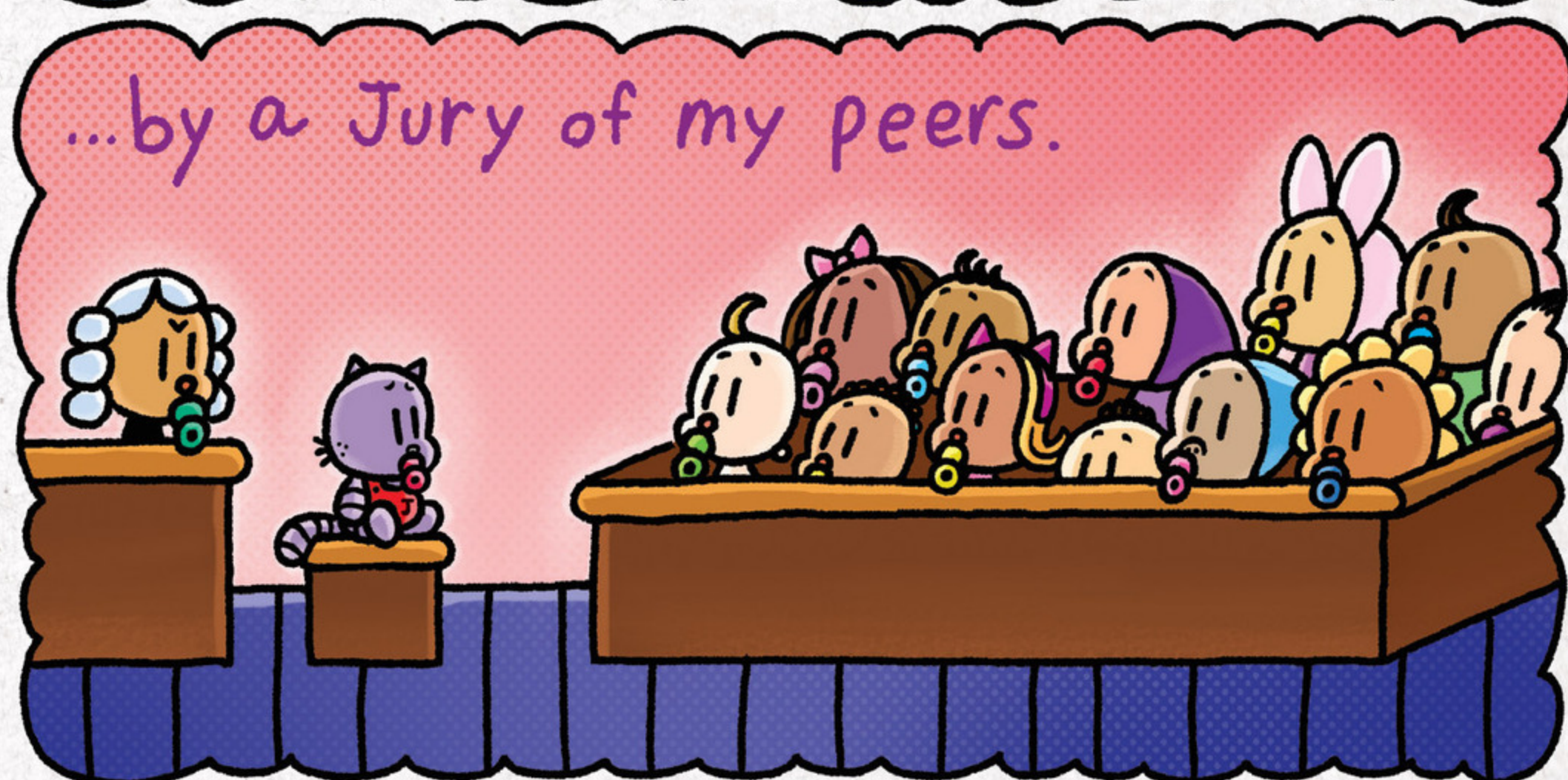
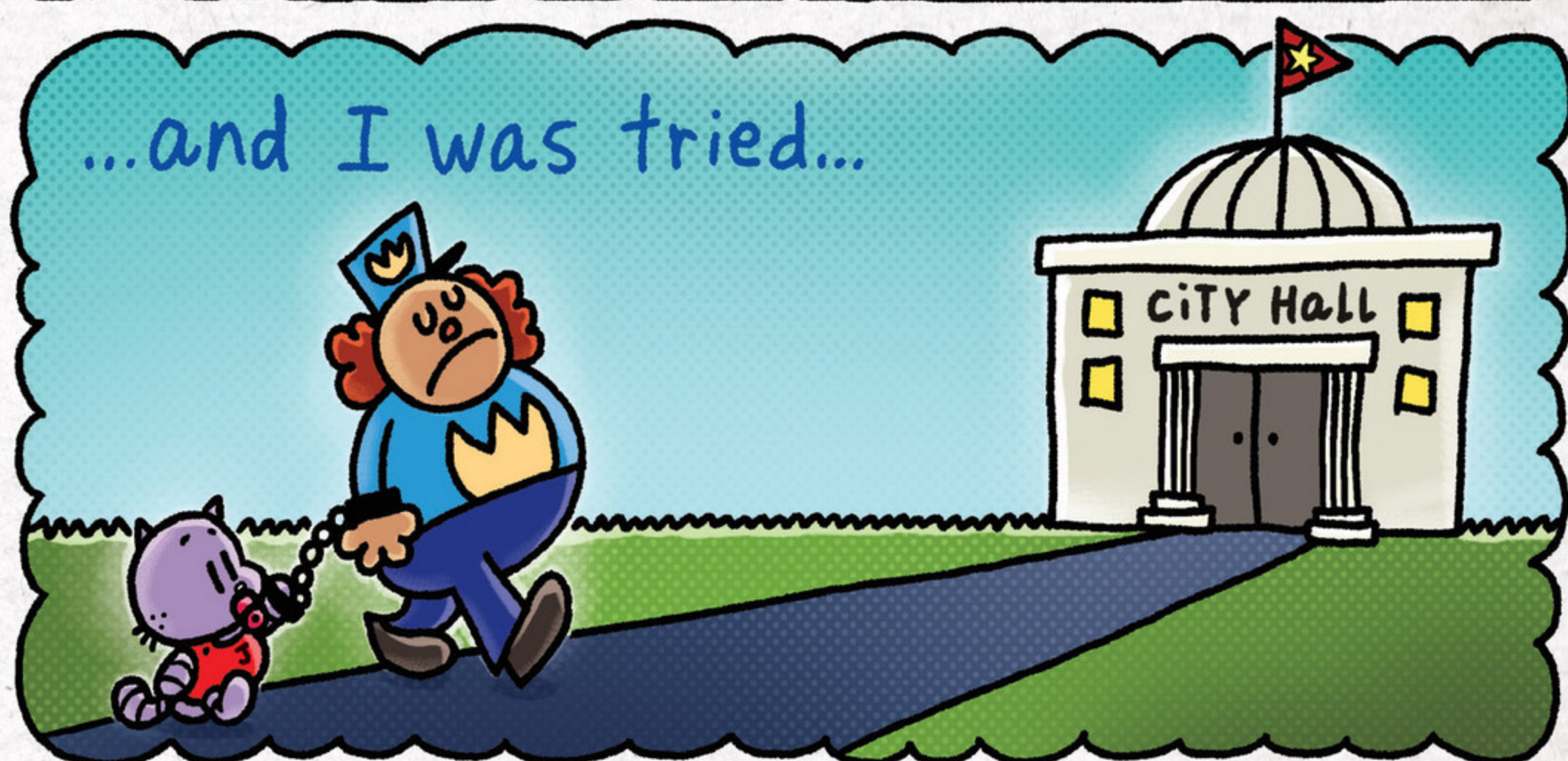


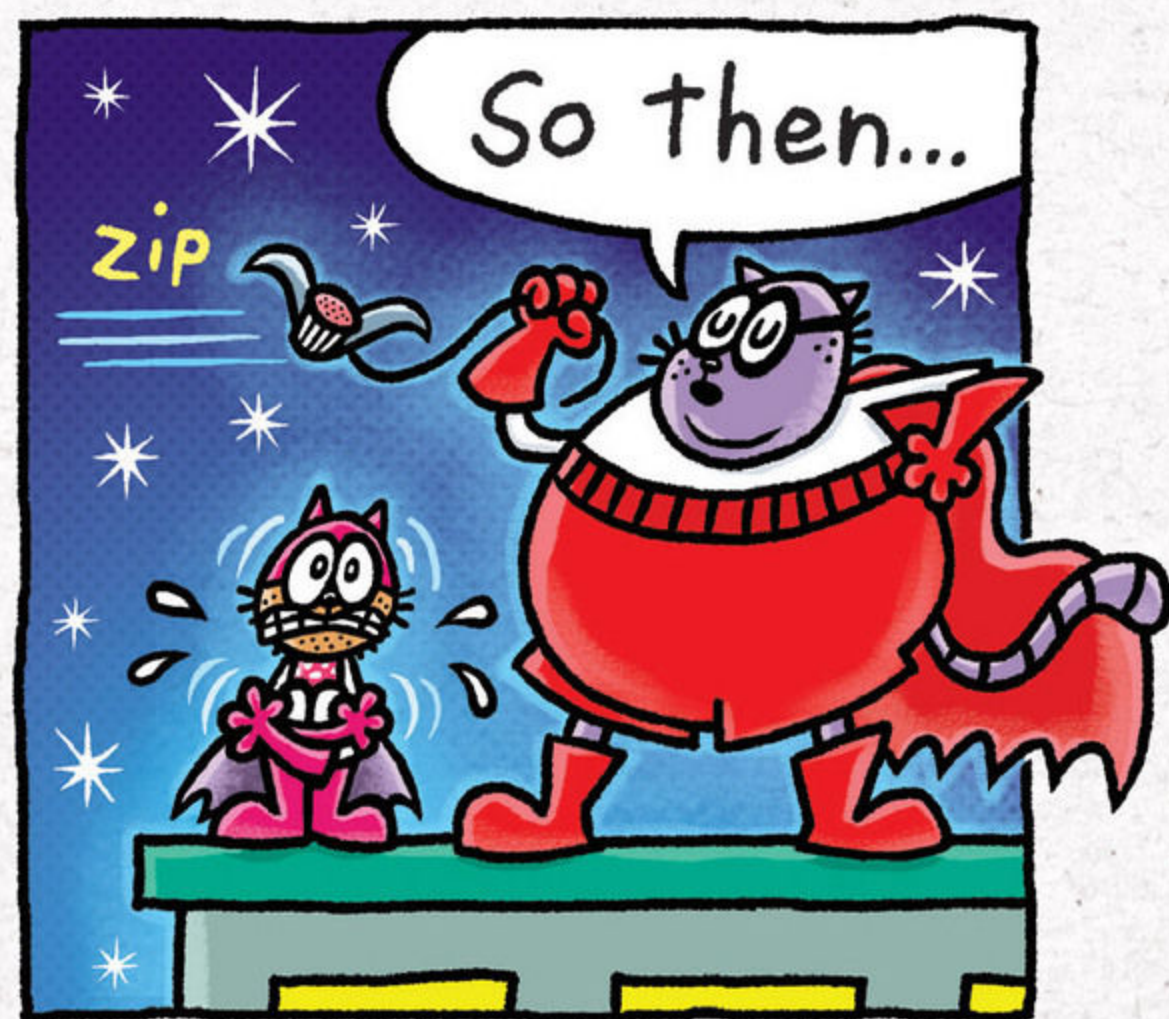
Chapter 8

THREE
KAZILLION
GLOOPSNOCKS
LATER...









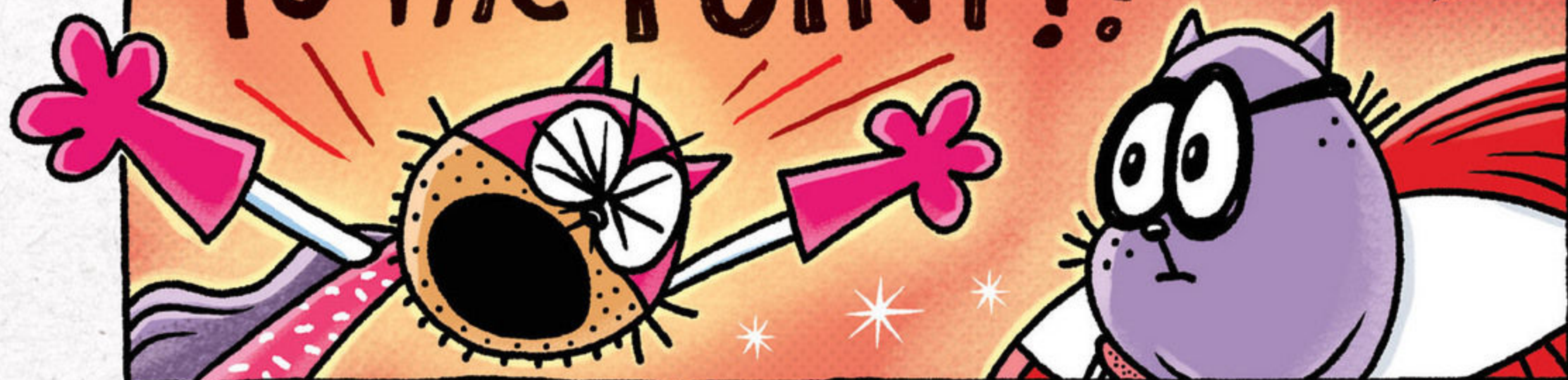
...The Judge
Said, "Goo Goo
Googy Ga ba..."



...Which means-



WOULD YOU GET
TO THE POINT??



Sorry, Sprinkles.



And
So...



Baby Jail was a **ROUGH PLACE...**



No

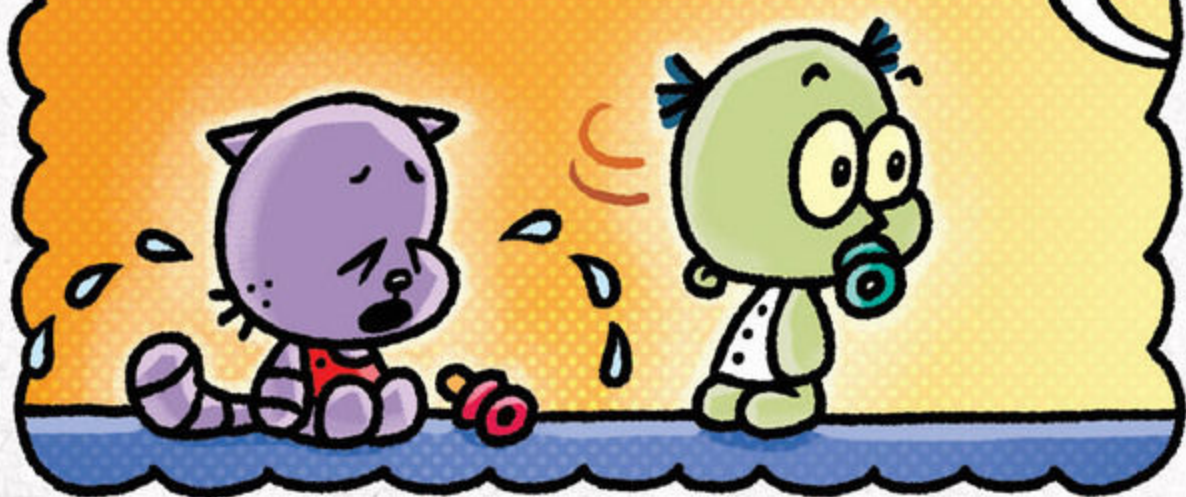
- Whining
- Pouting
- tantrums
- FUSSING

MMMF!!!

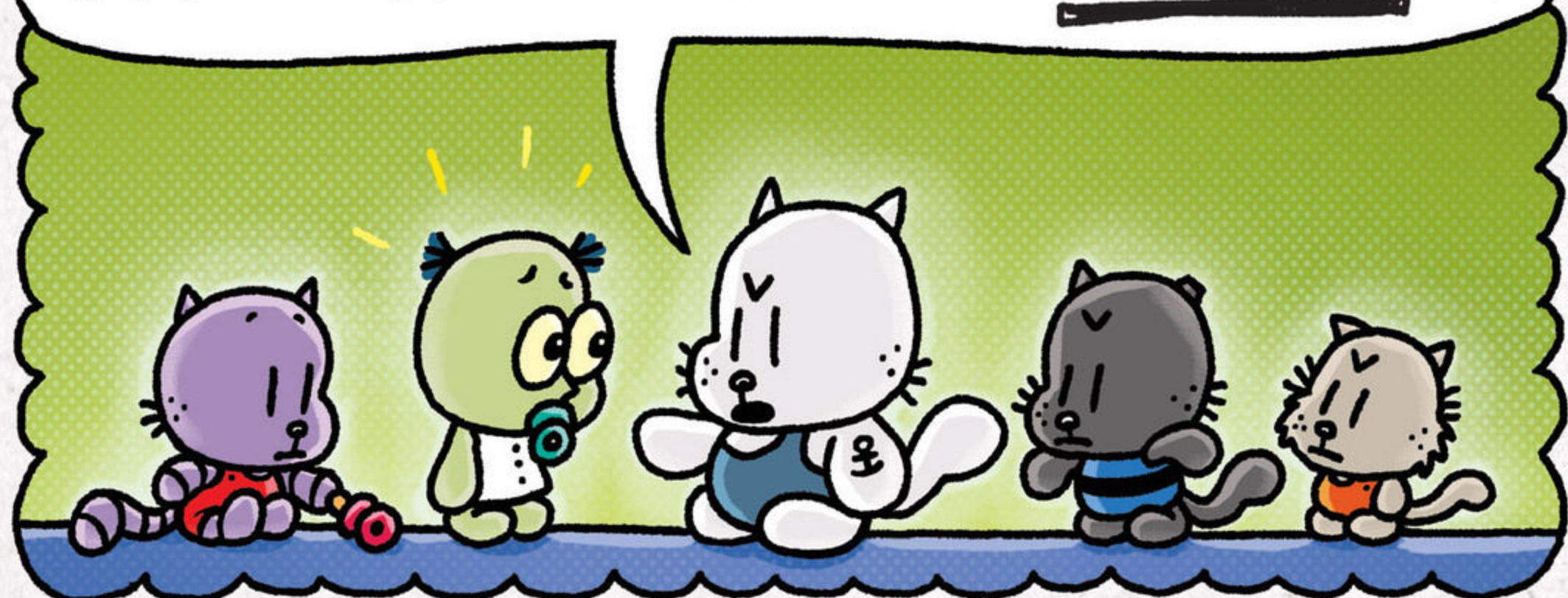


...but I soon found friends.

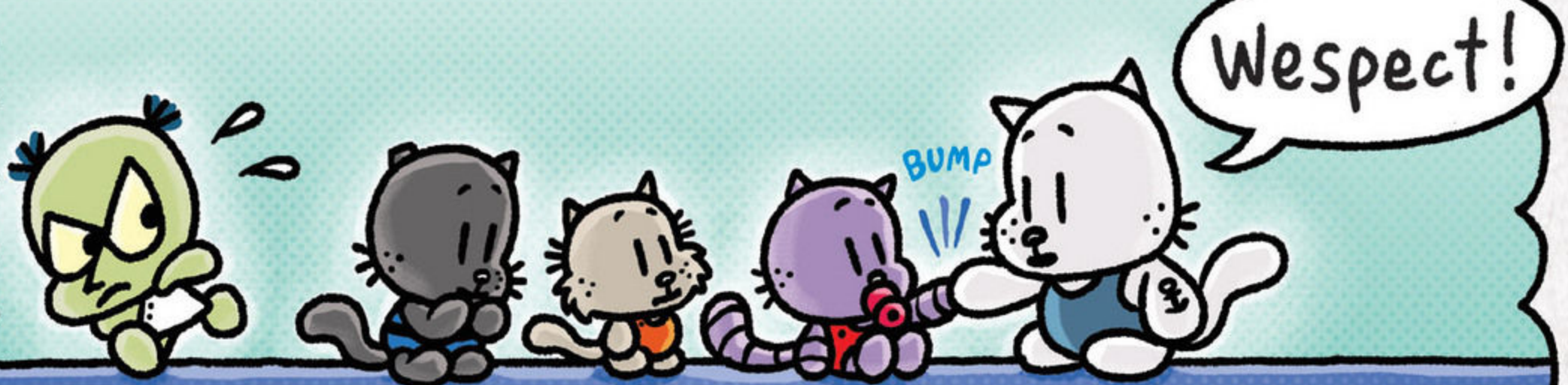
Hey!



You weave that kid **AWONE!!!**



Tiny Tippy, Baby Fluffy, and Wittle Whiskers became my best buddies.



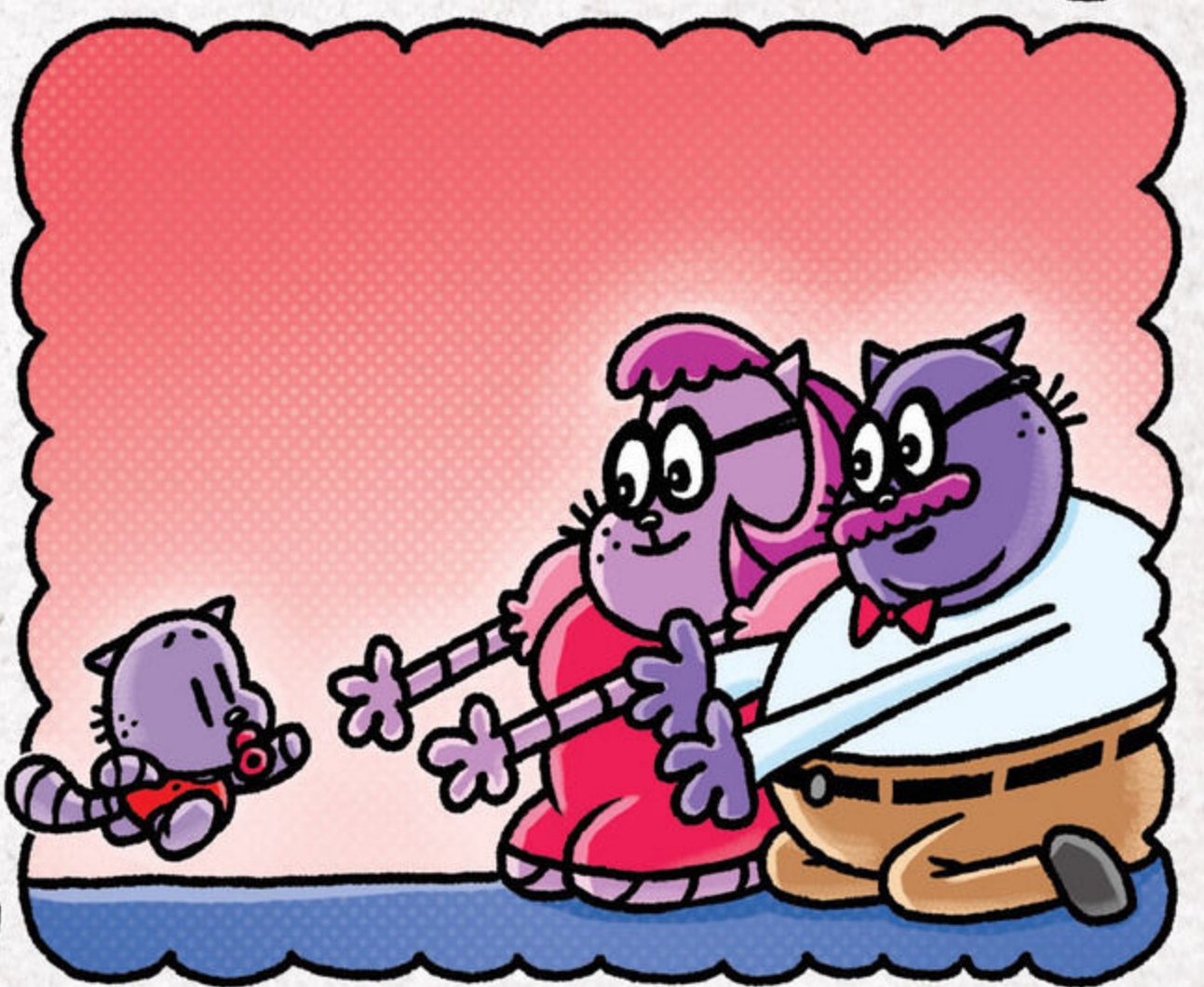
And soon, I didn't
feel so scared.



Little Jim...



...You've Got
Visitors!



It's Going to be
okay, Little Jim.



Just
Remember...



...when something
bad happens...



...all you
need to do...



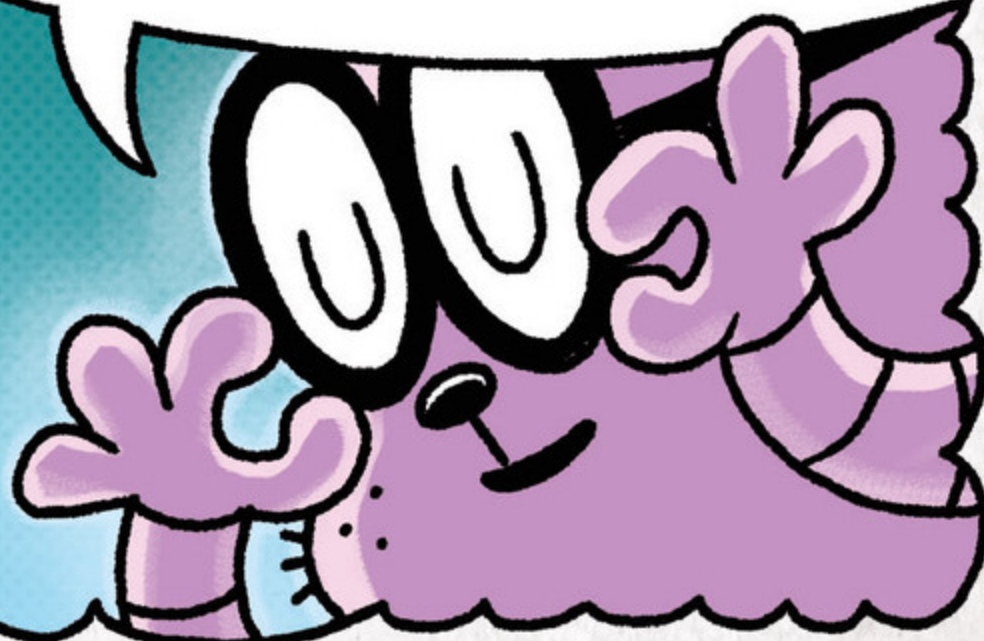
...is ask Yourself **one Question:**



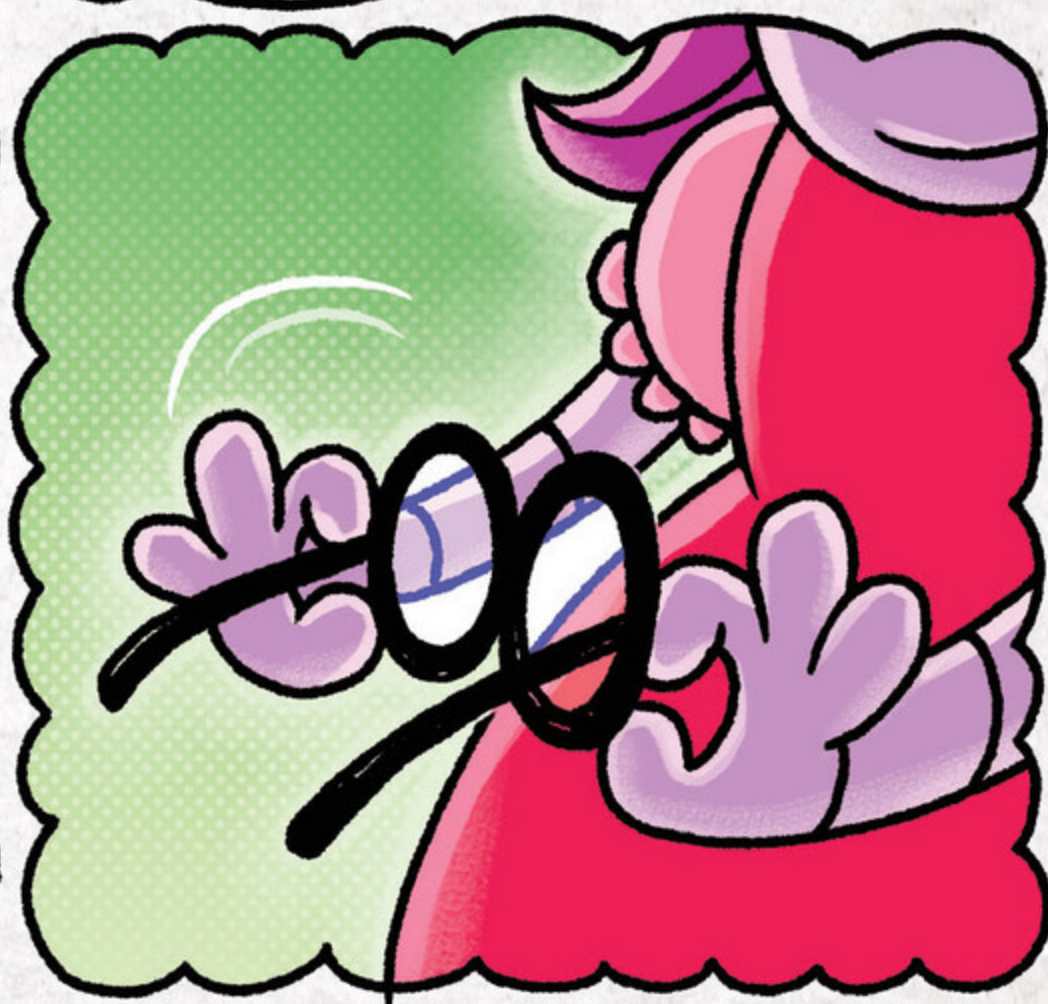
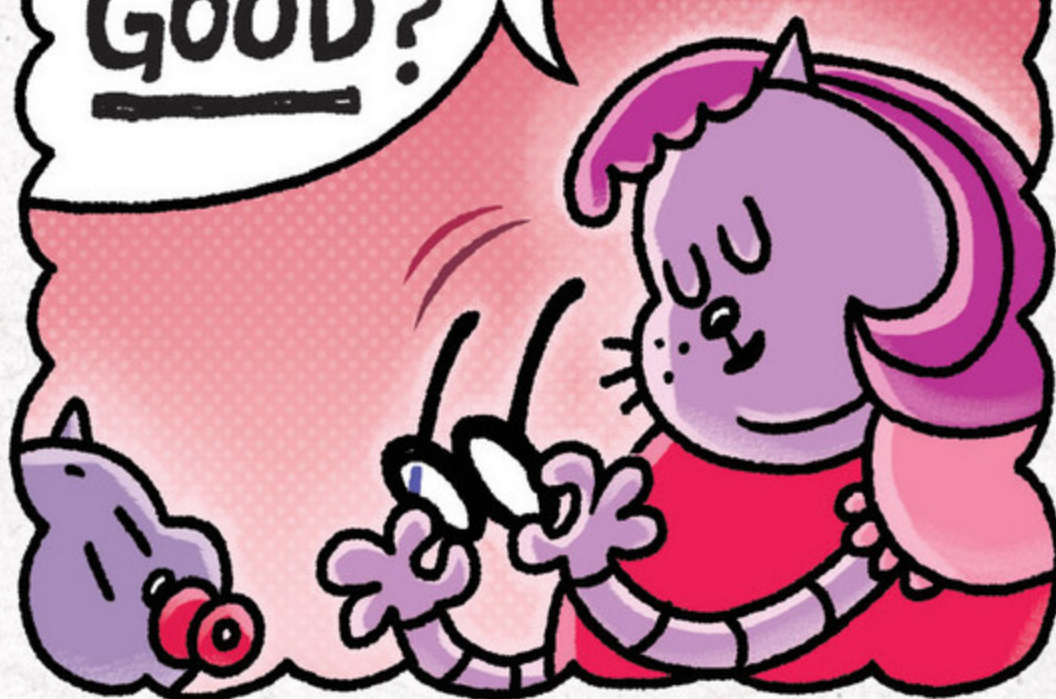
How Can I...



...turn this
BAD thing...



...into something
GOOD?



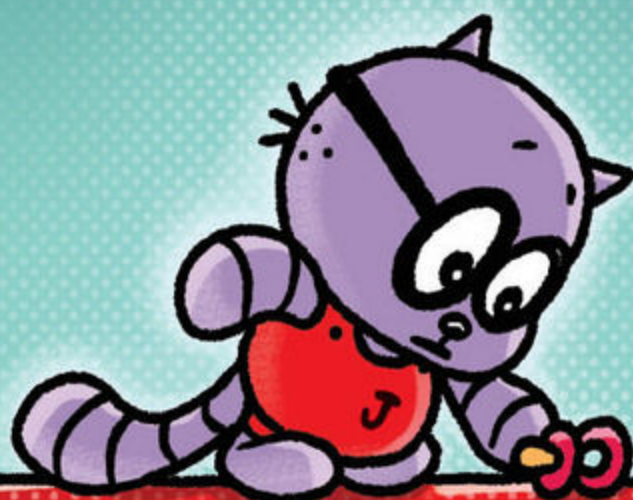
Suddenly, I could see clearly.



I knew my
Purpose:



No matter how
dark things got...



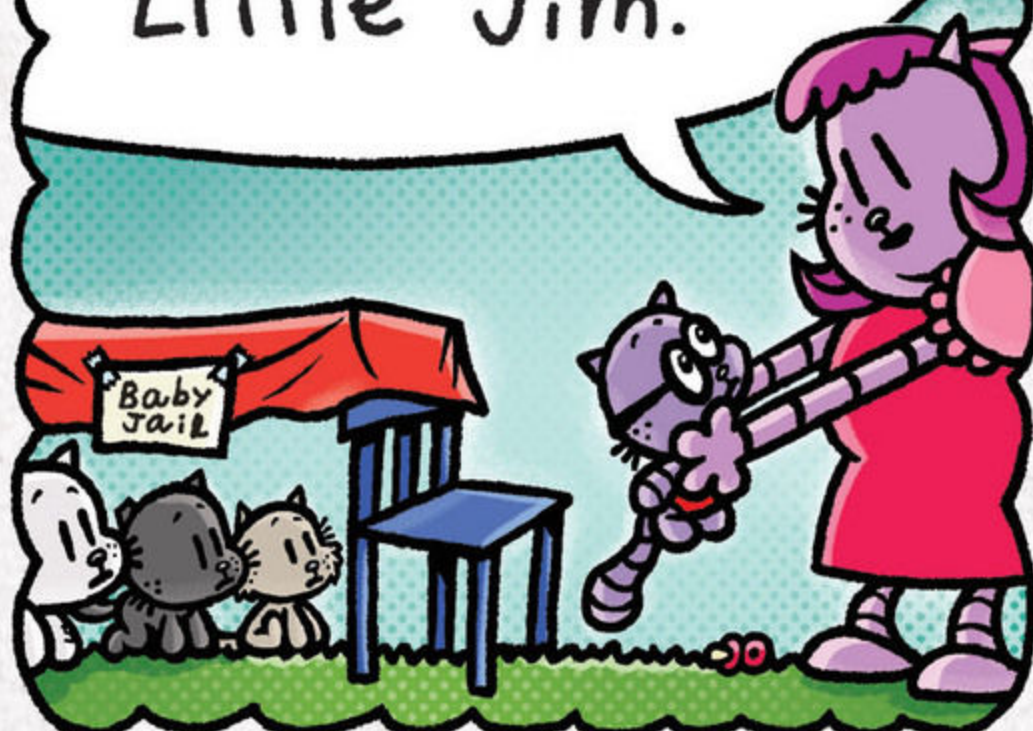
...it was **MY** Job...



...to find the light.

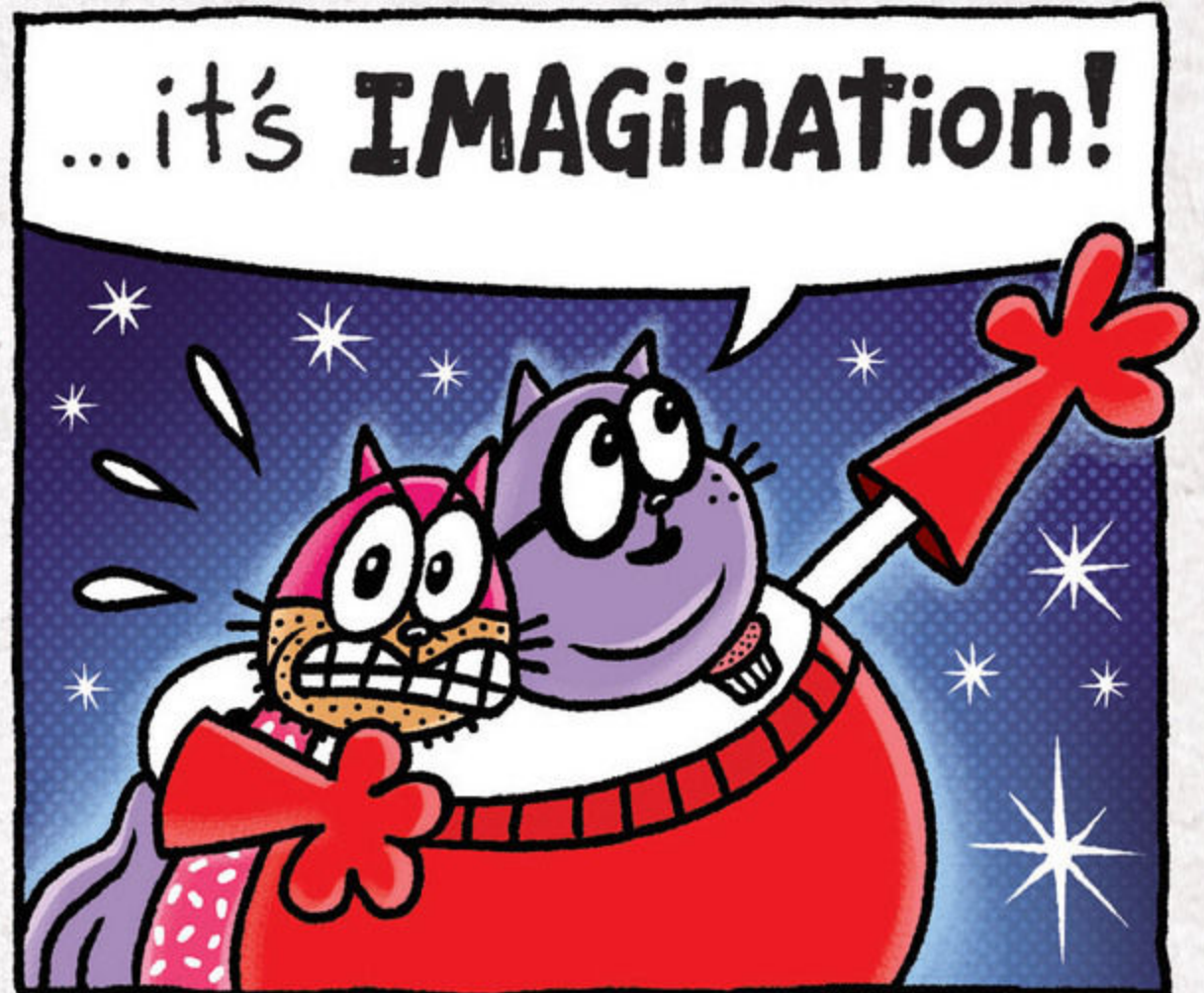
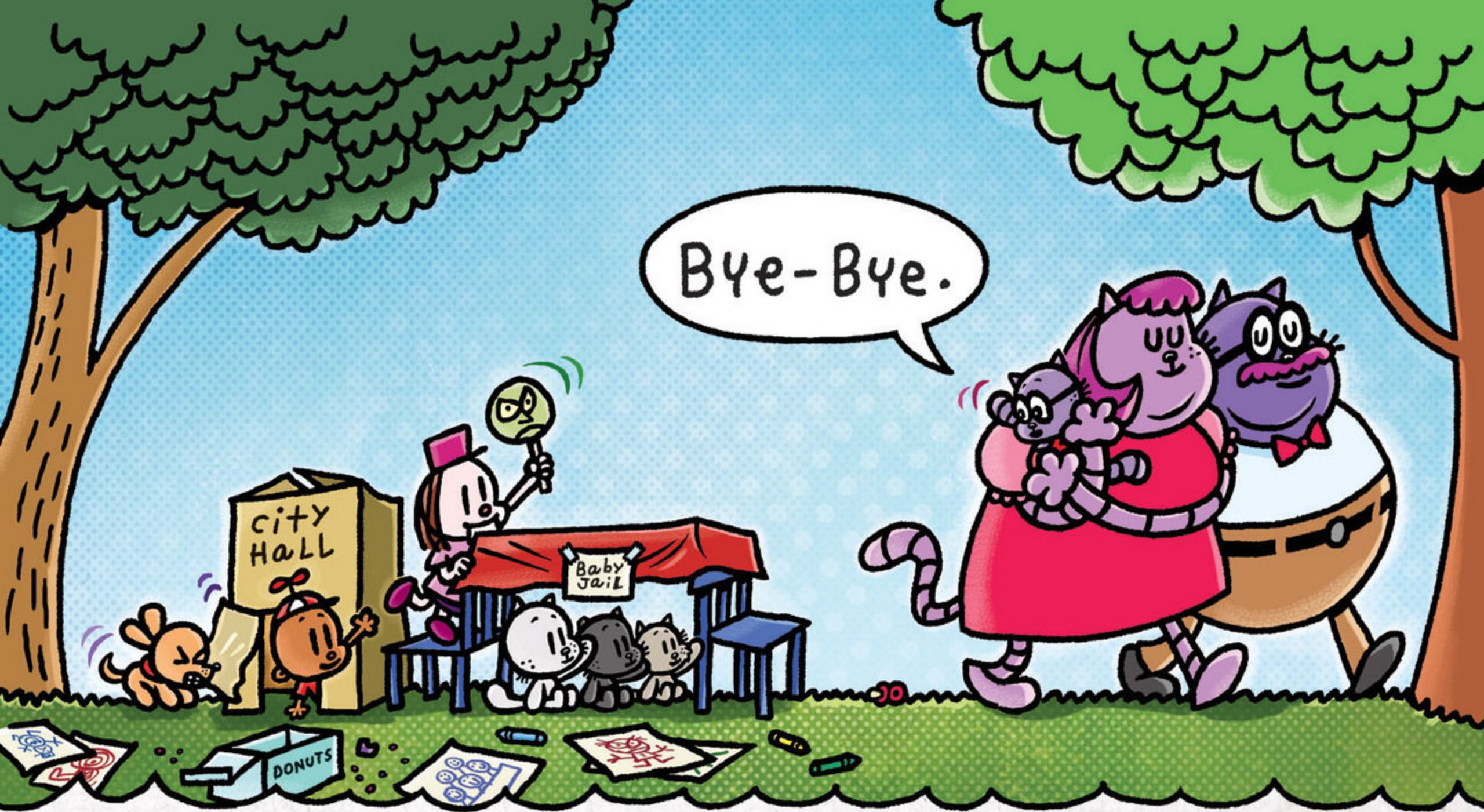


Let's Go home,
Little Jim.



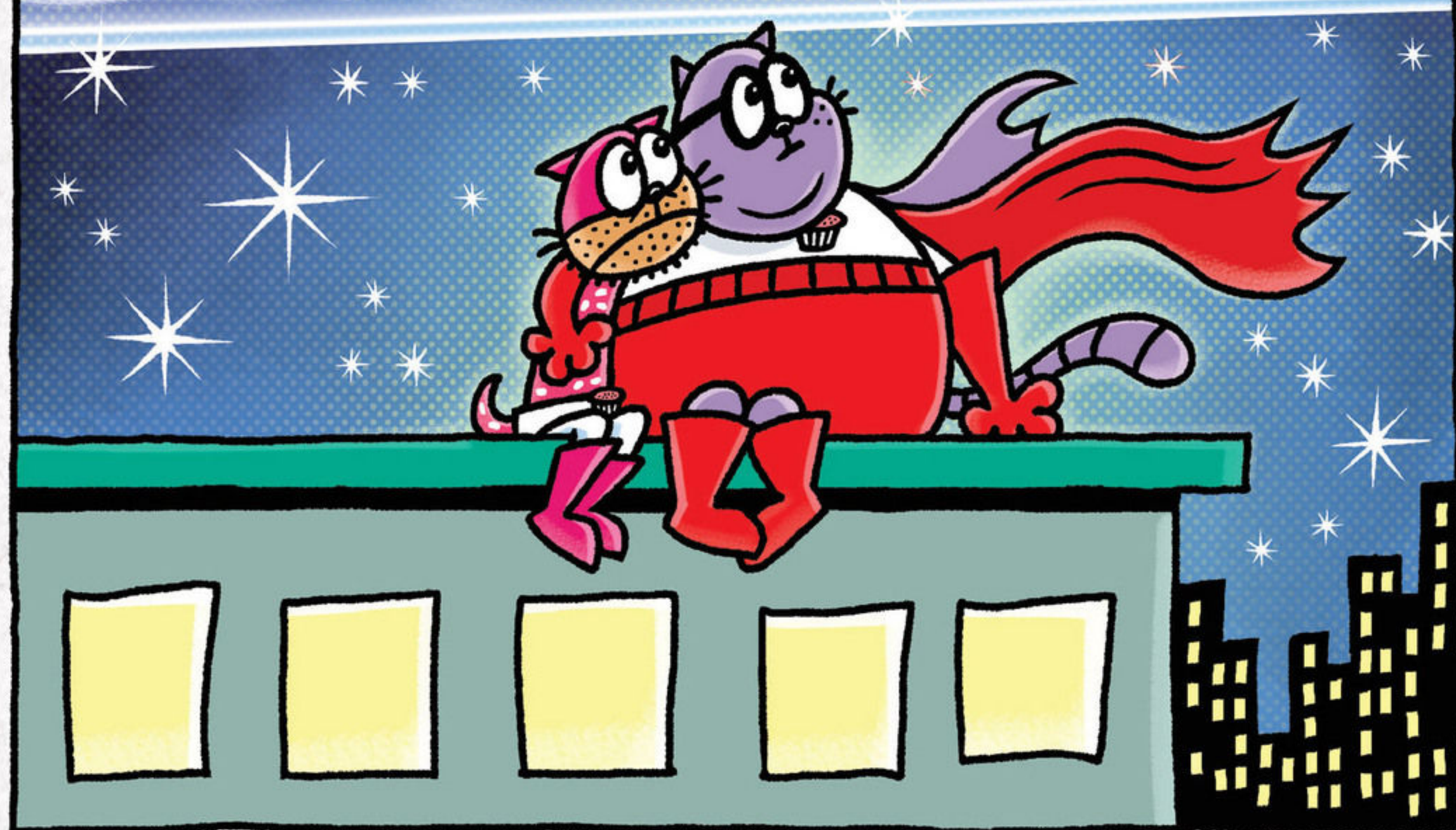
Say "Goodbye"
to Your friends!





But then...

SWOOOSH!

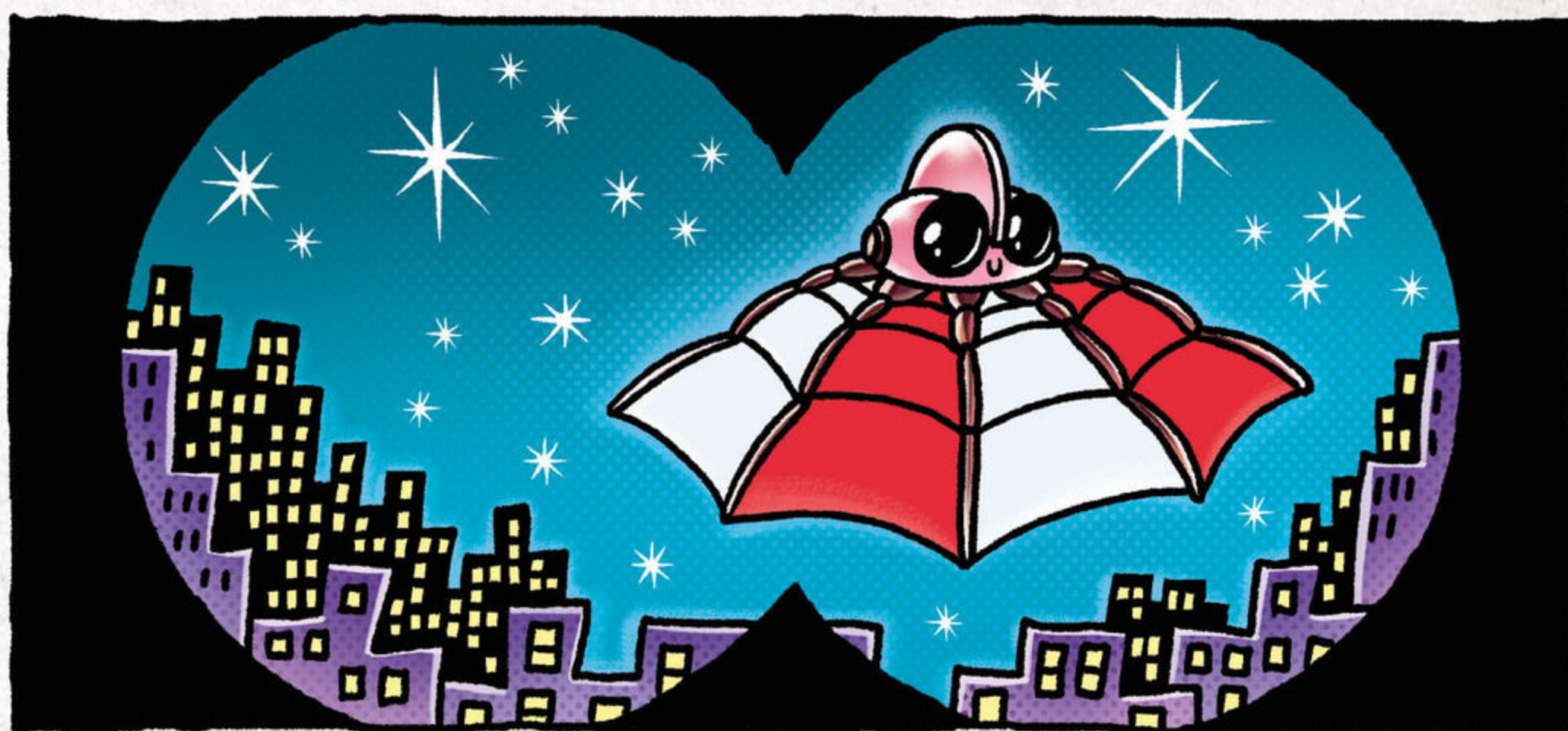
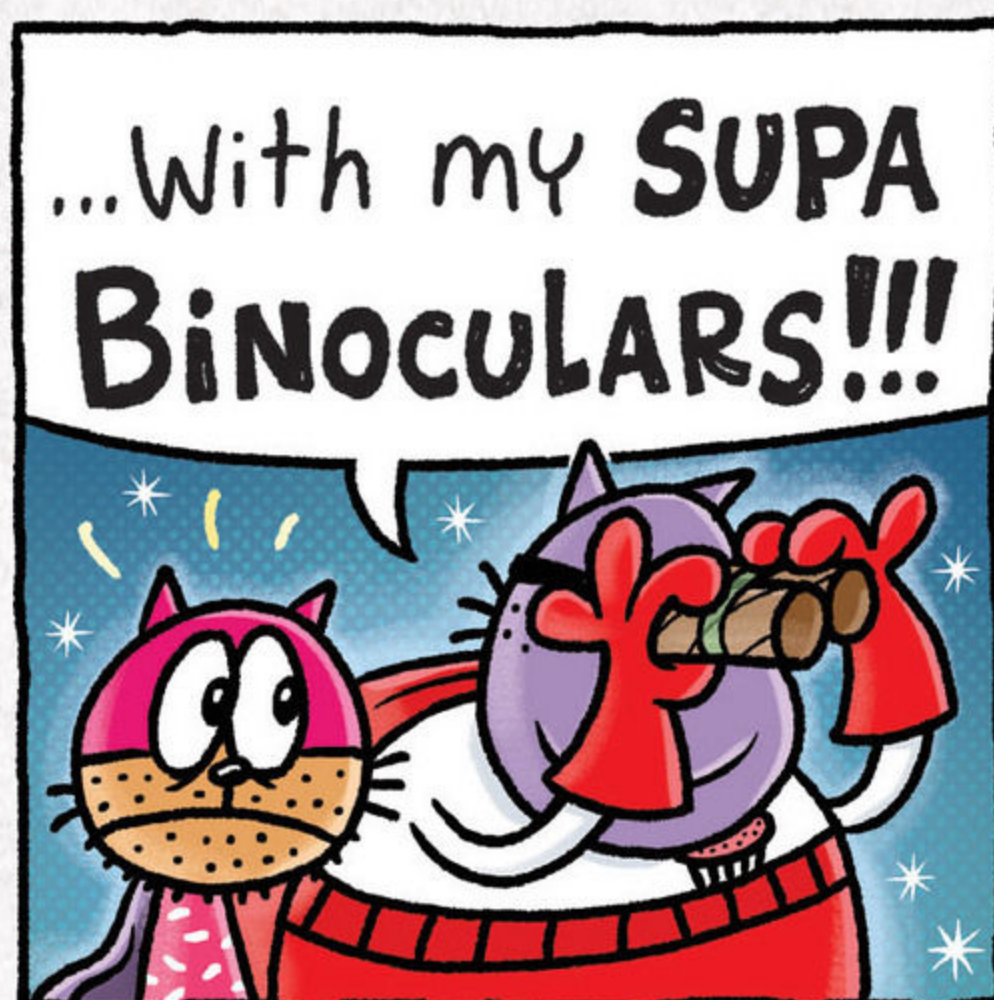


What was that?



Let's take a look...





You Just **Taped**
them Together!!!



All I see is a
Big Circus tent.

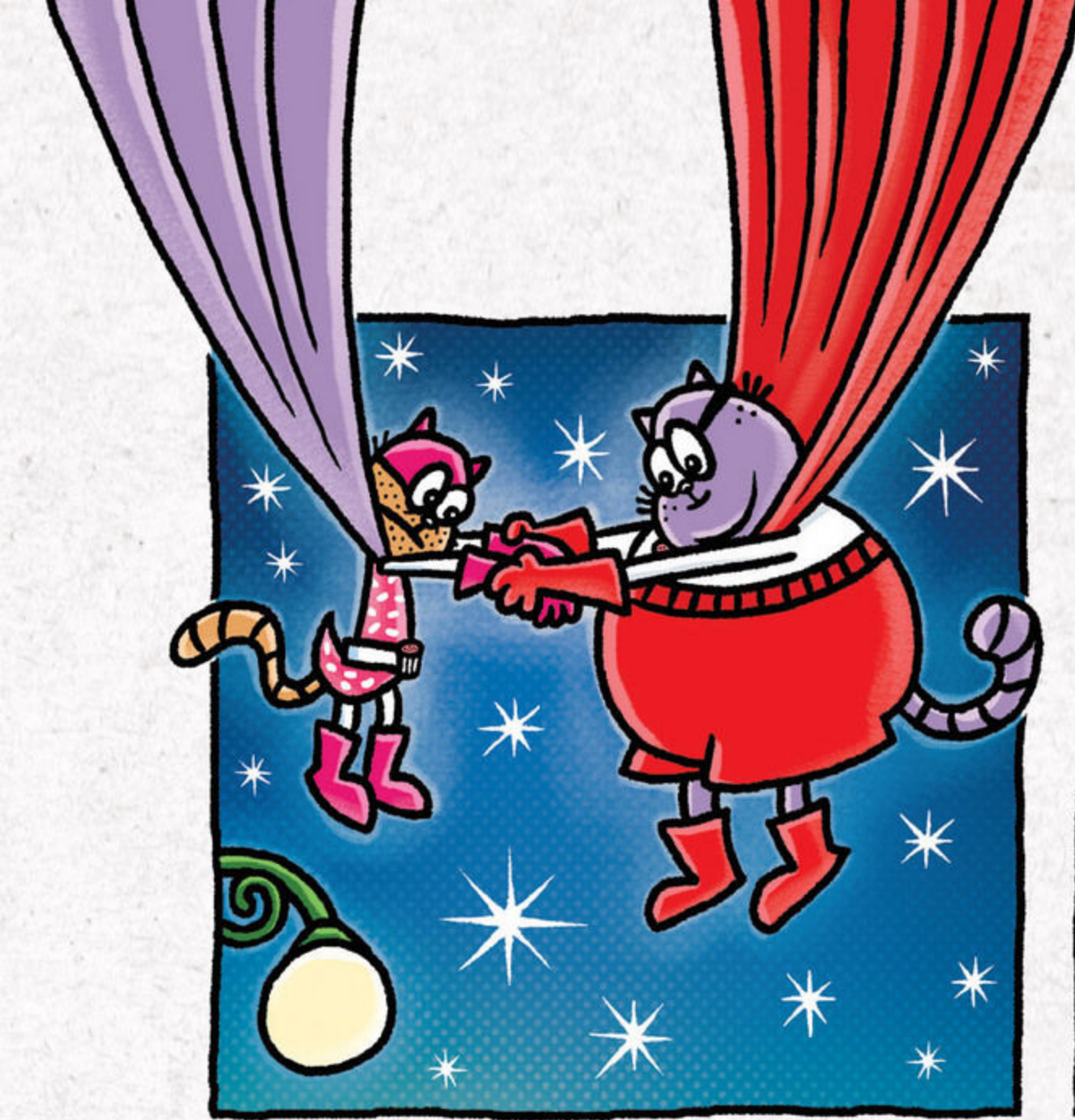


That's No
circus tent.





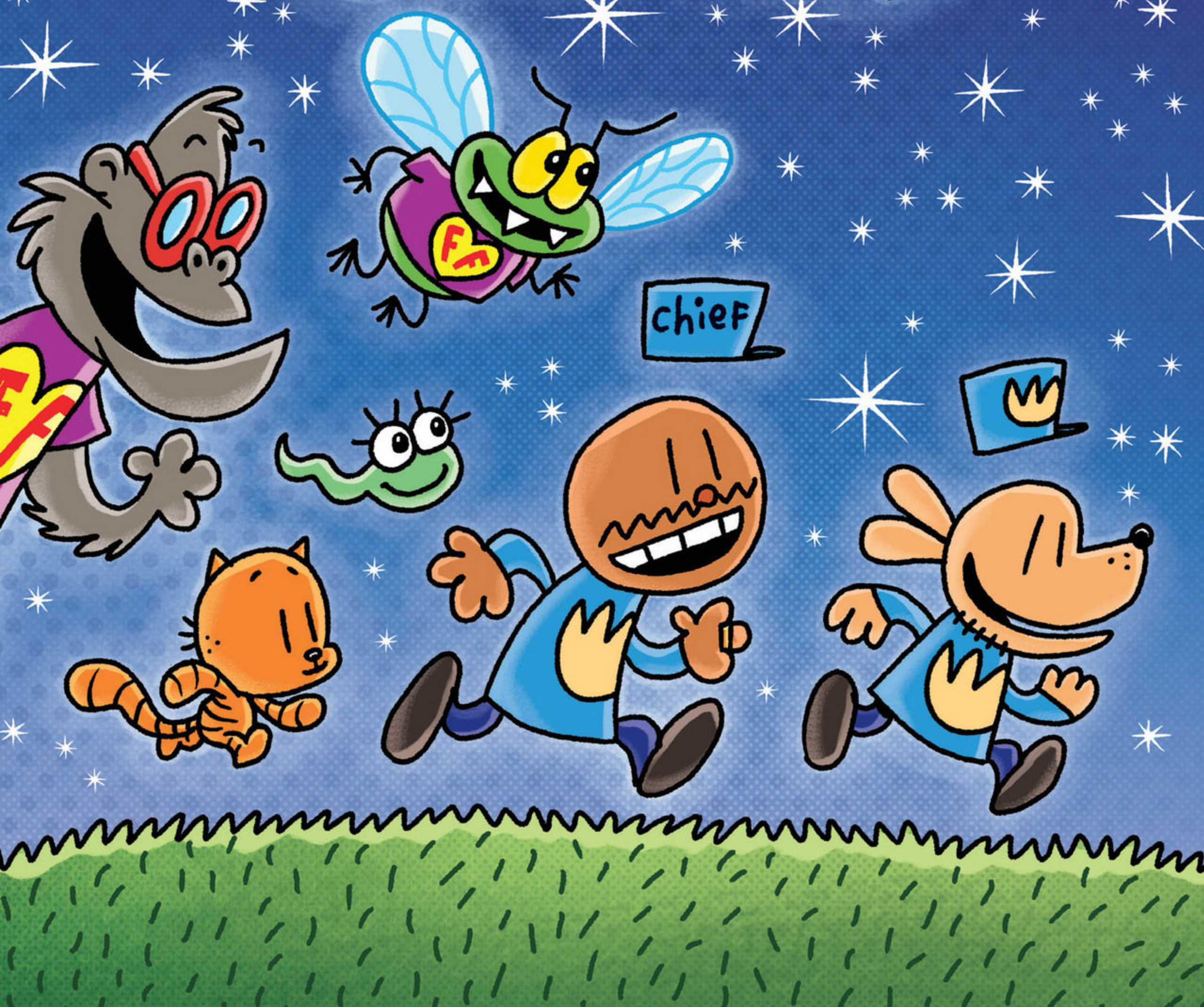


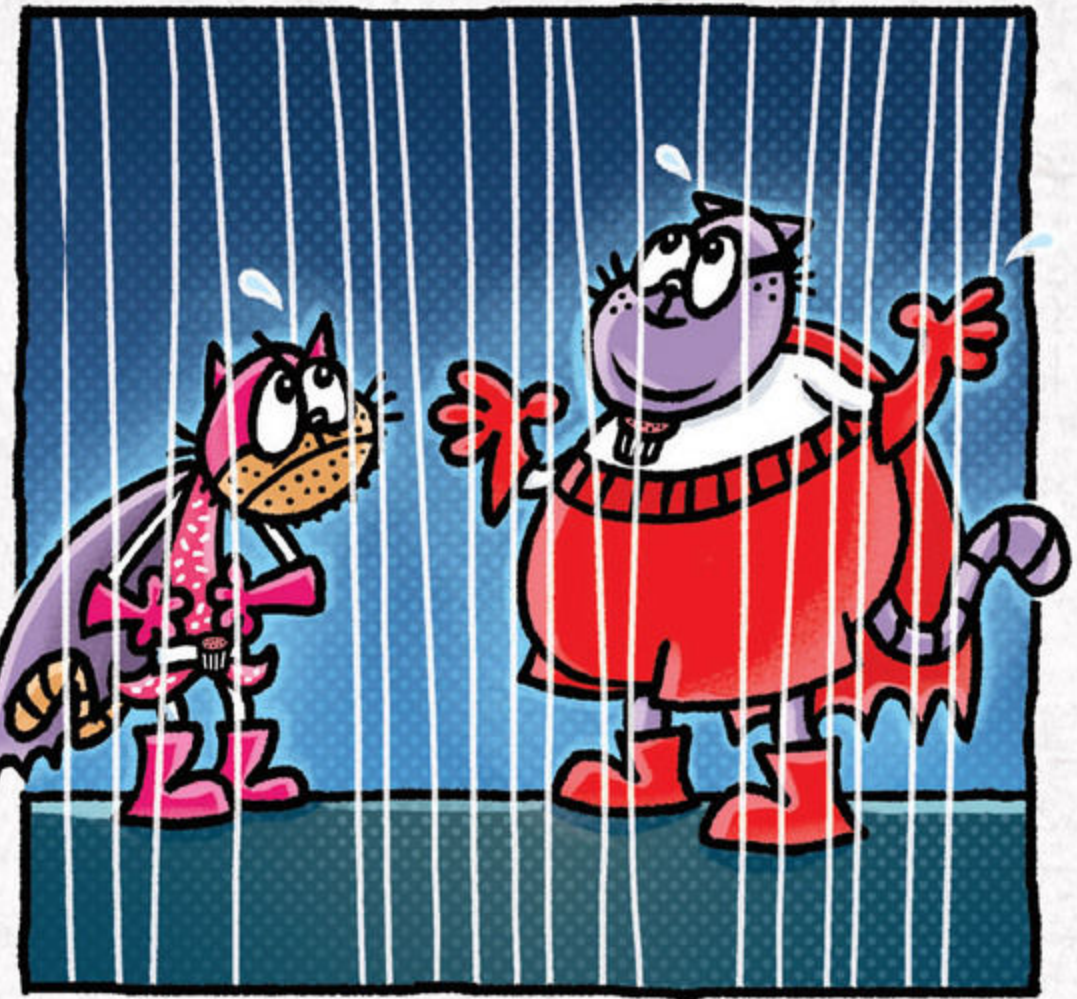
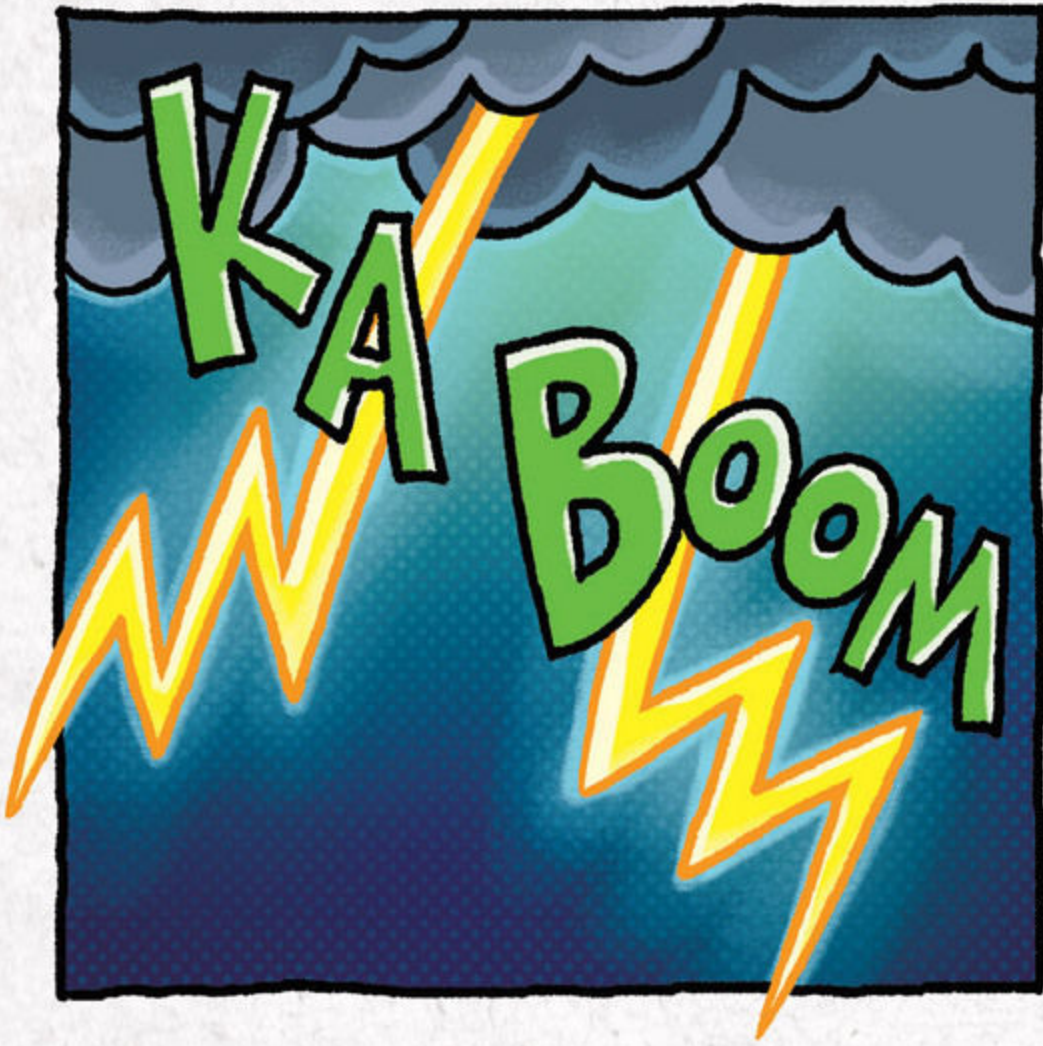




CHAPTER 9

HERO PARTY





**AW, GREAT!
It's Raining!!!**



**AW, GREAT!
It's Raining!!!**



**I Don't Know
WHAT YOU'RE SO
HAPPY ABOUT!!!**



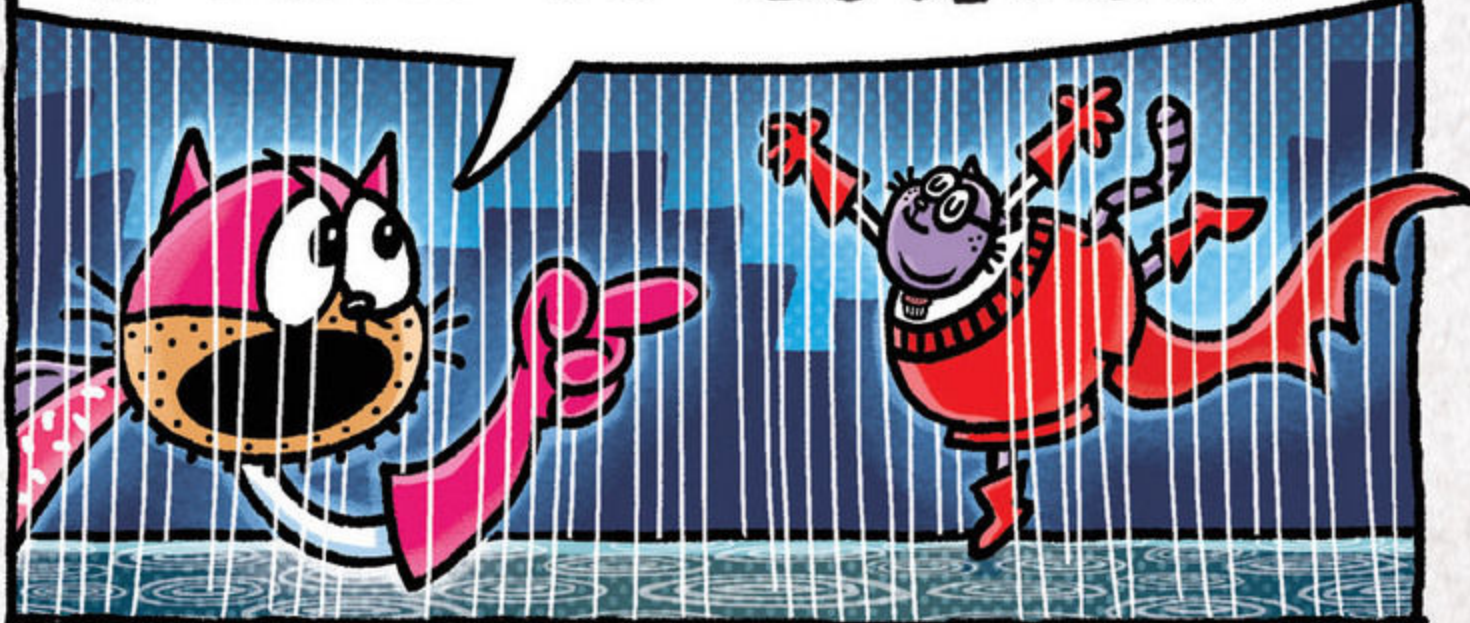
We're Wet...



...We're
COLD...



...and You don't even
Seem to **CARE...**



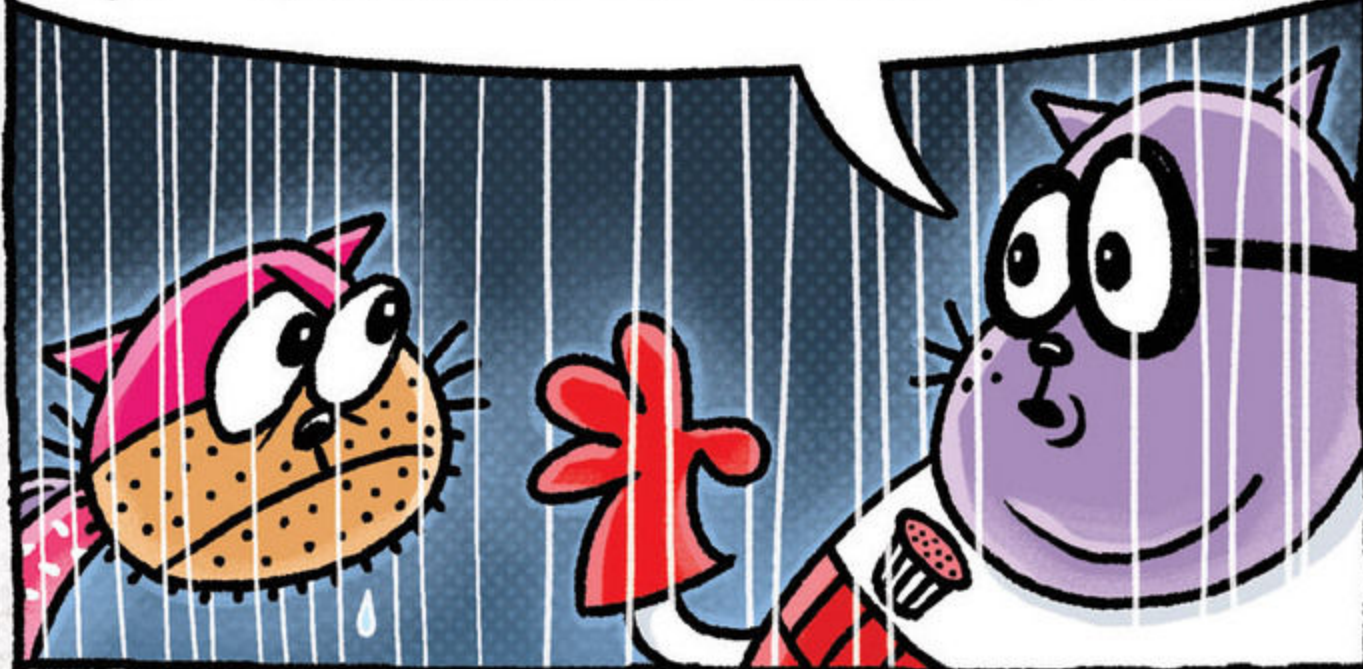
...that we've been **STUCK**
in **JAIL** For **YEARS!!!**



Sprinkles...



...Jails aren't only made
of concrete and steel.



They're in our **Minds**, too.



Look around
You.



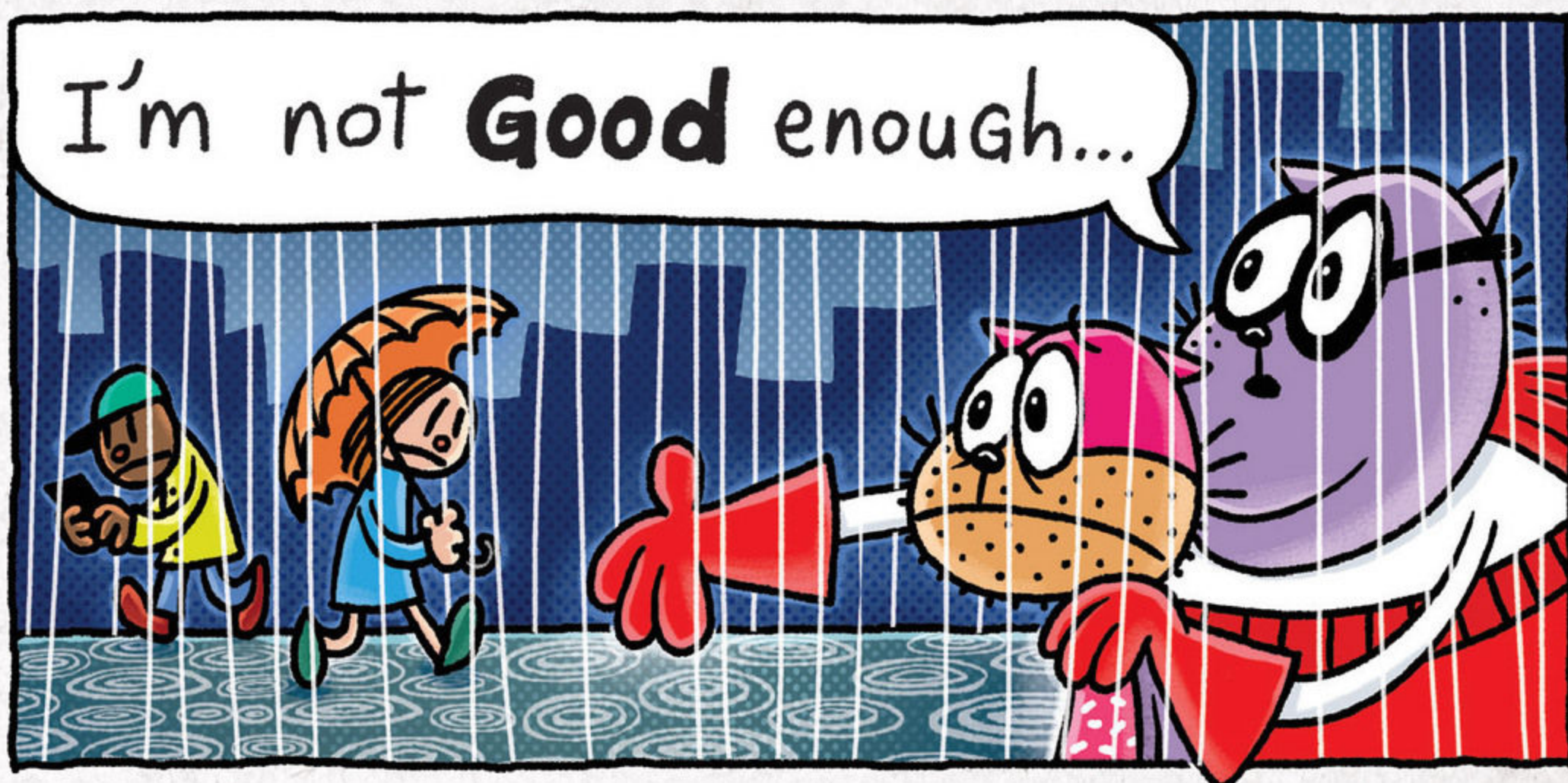
We're **ALL** in **JAILS**
of some kind...



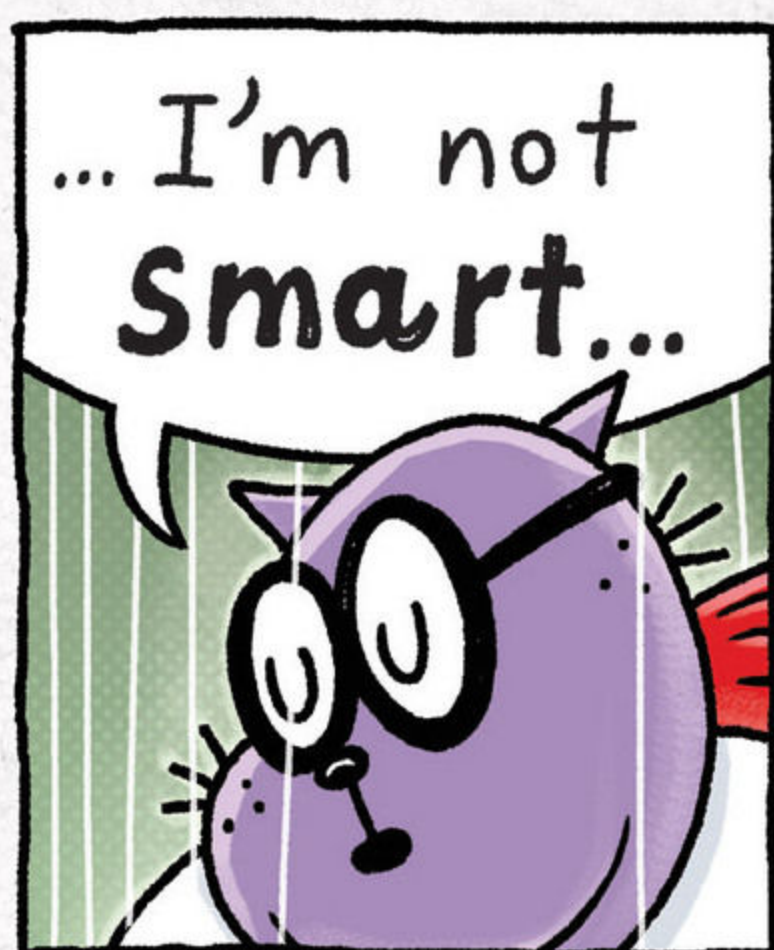
... imprisoned by the stories
we tell ourselves:



I'm not **Good** enough...



...I'm not
Smart...



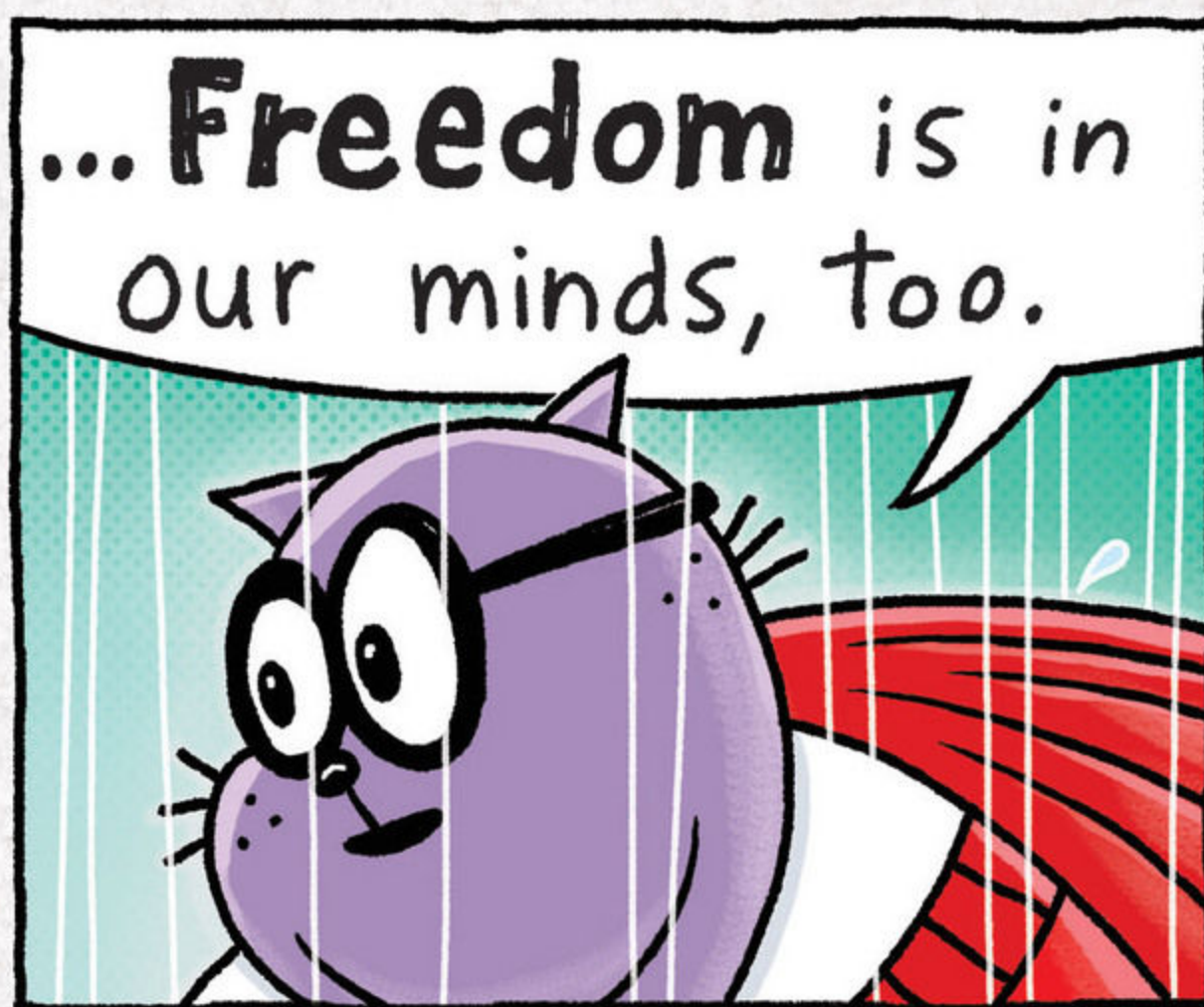
...I've made too
many **mistakes**.

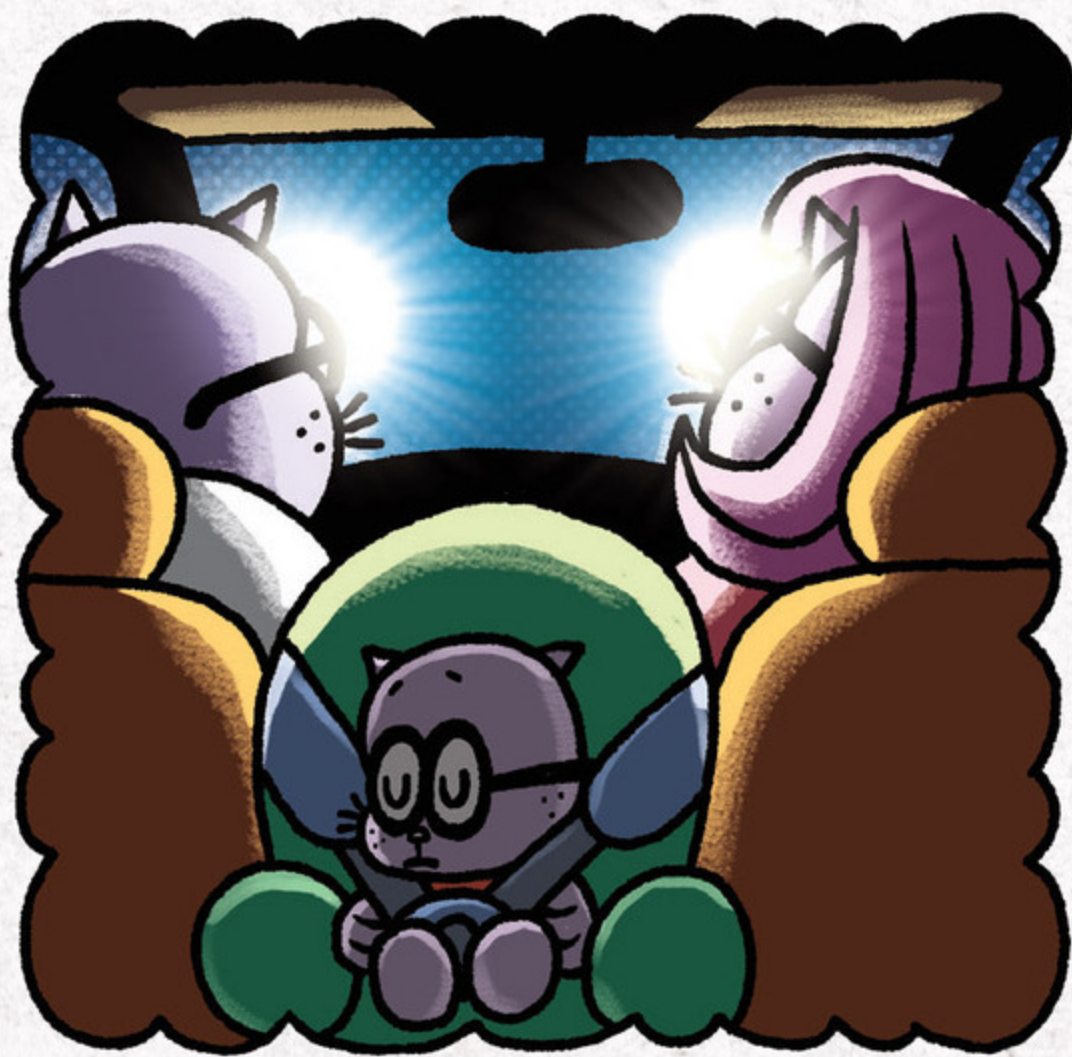


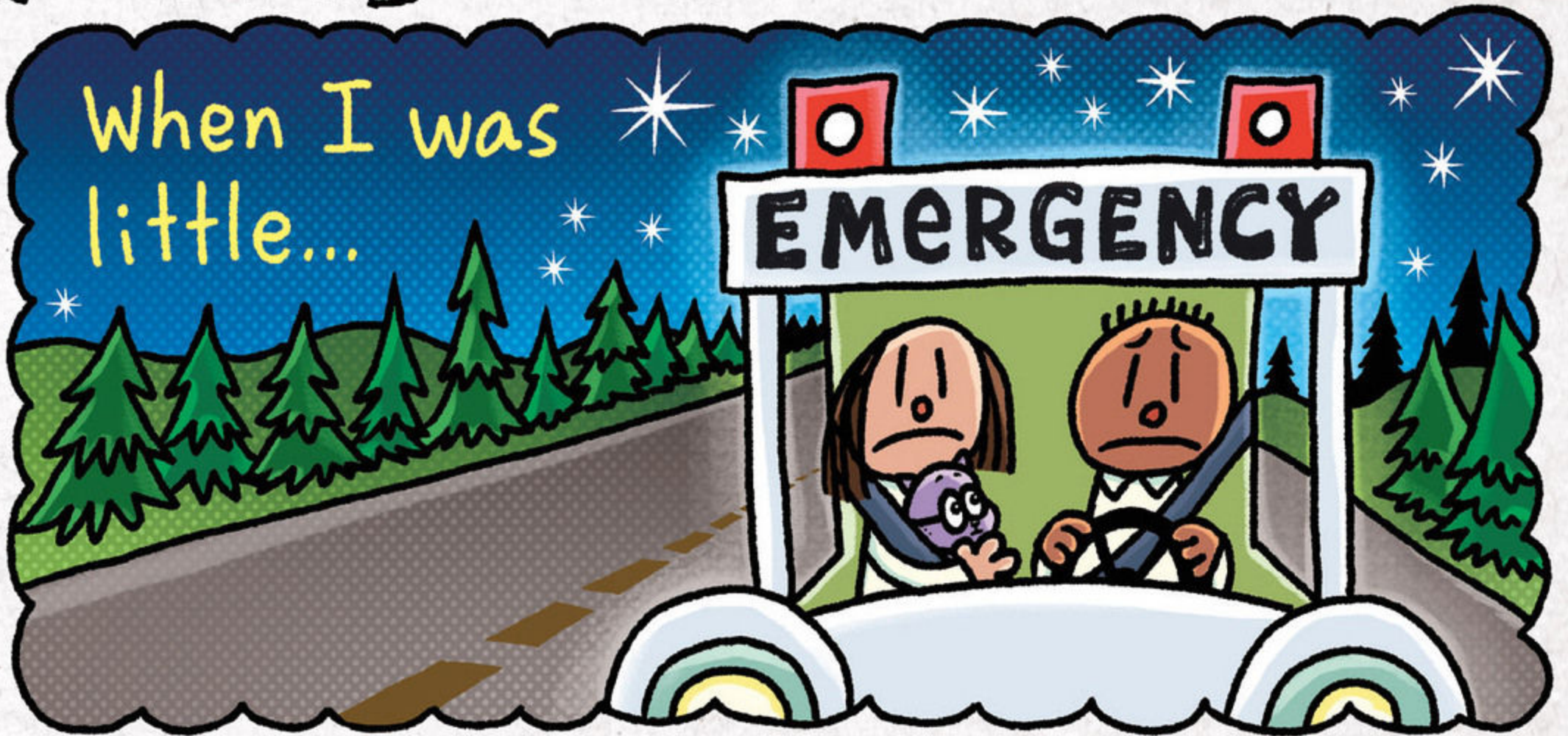
But,
Sprinkles...



...**Freedom** is in
our minds, too.



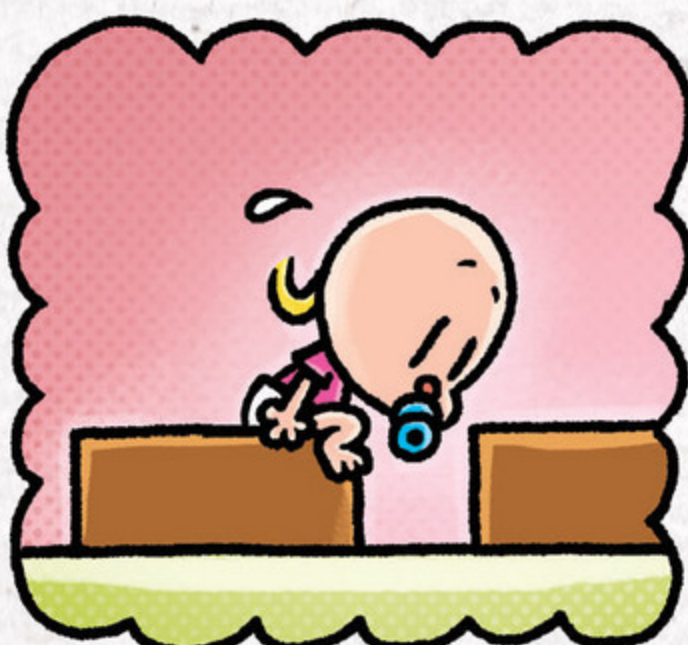


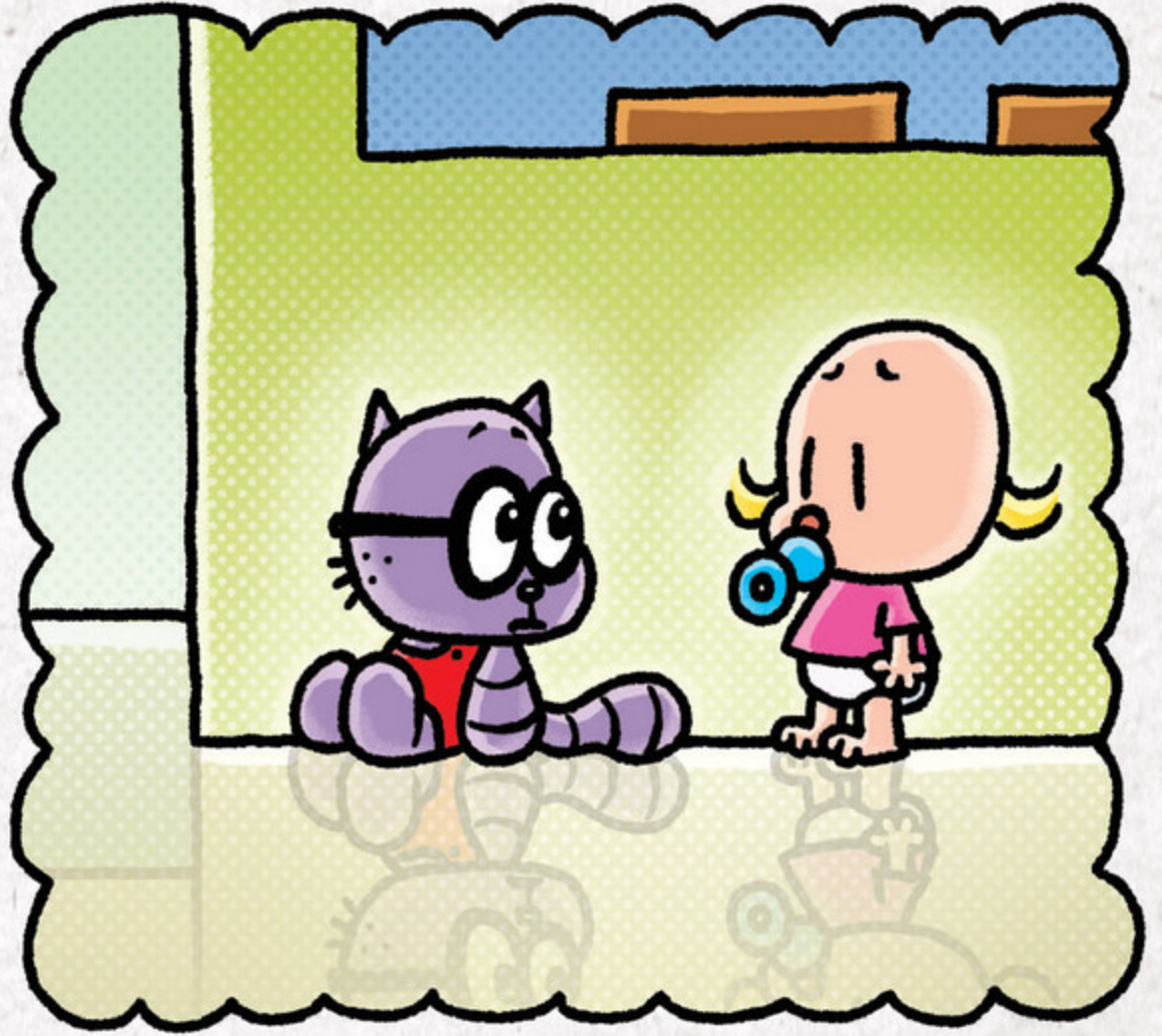
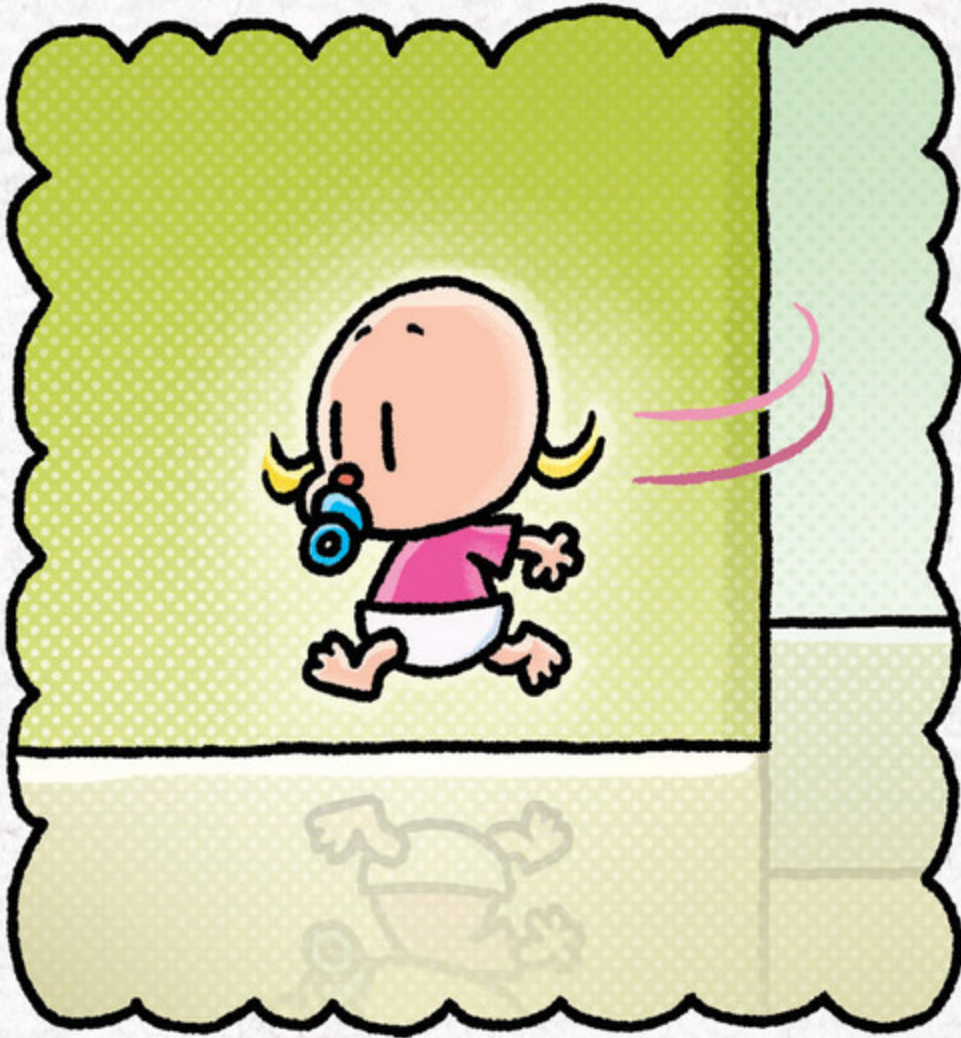


... my mother would
say to me:

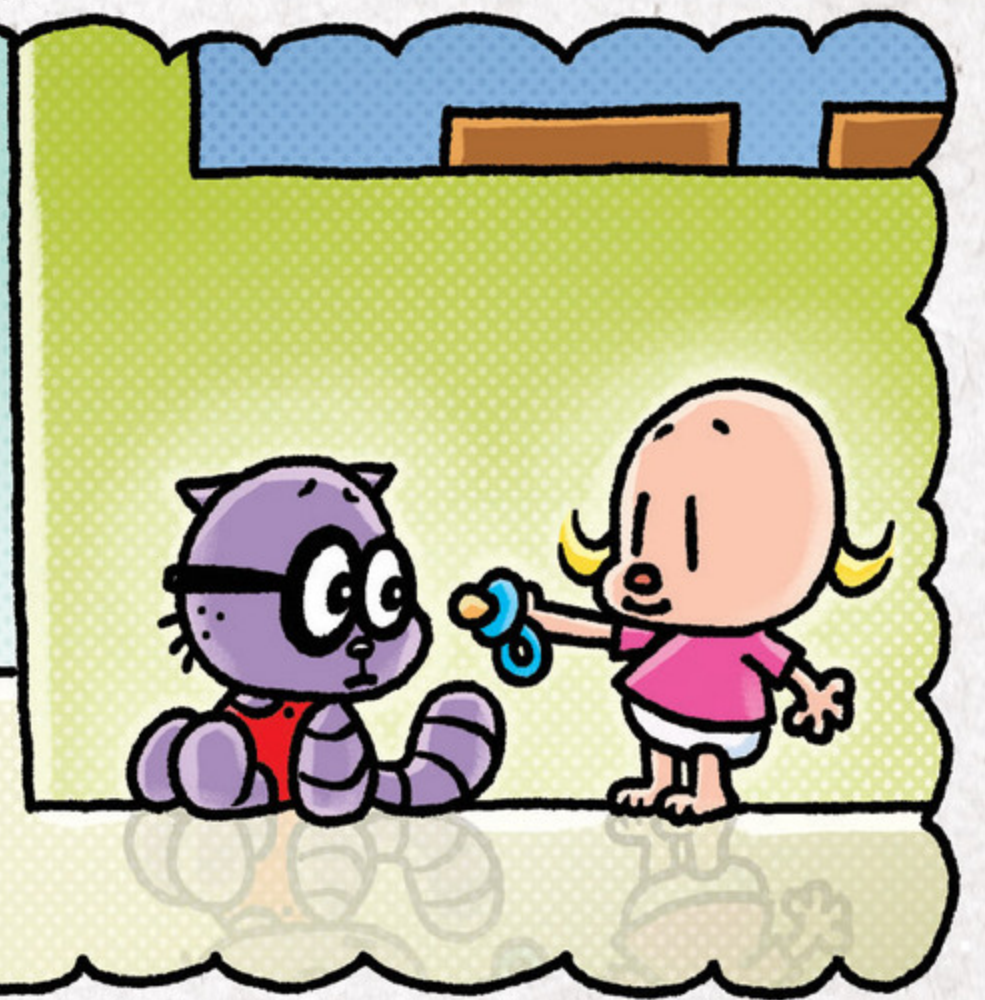


"Look for the helpers..."

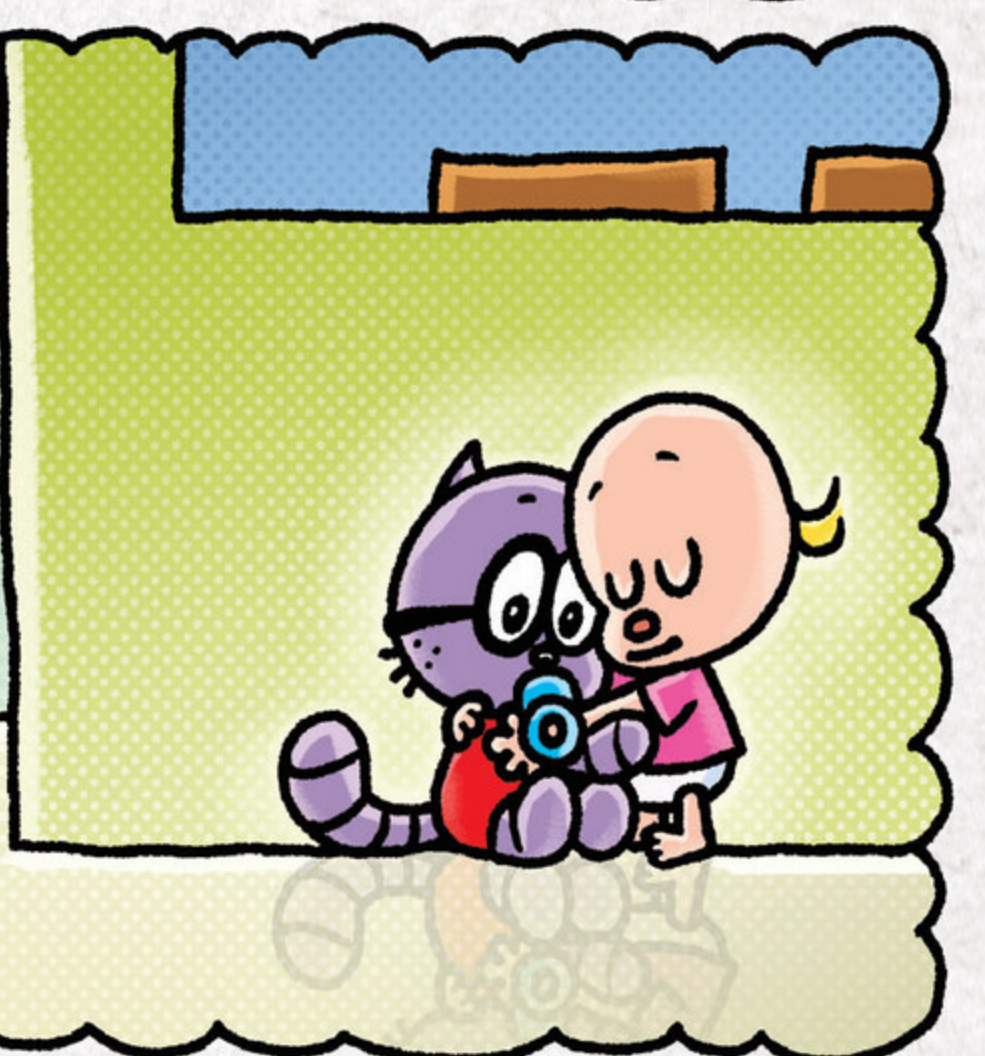


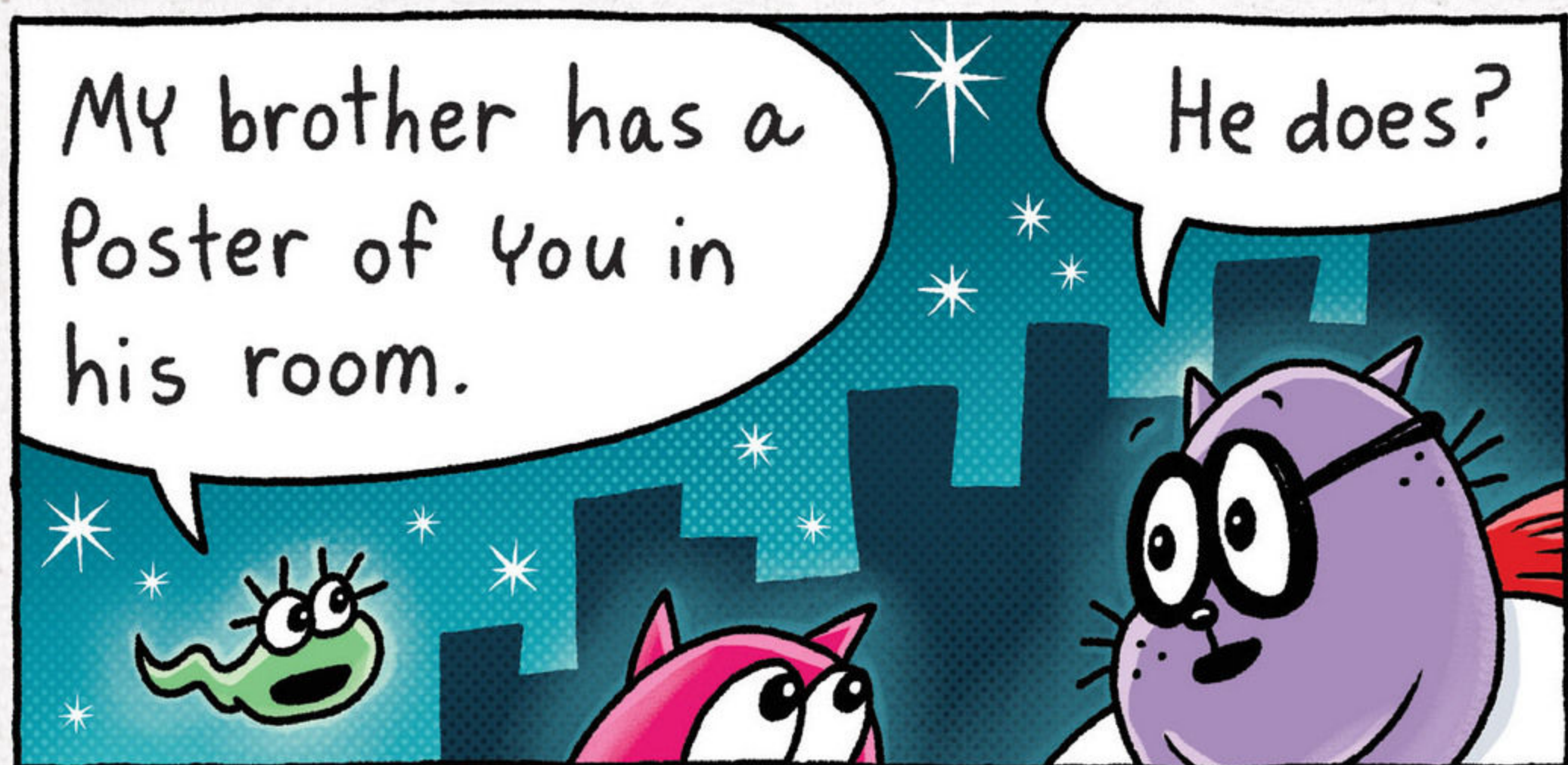
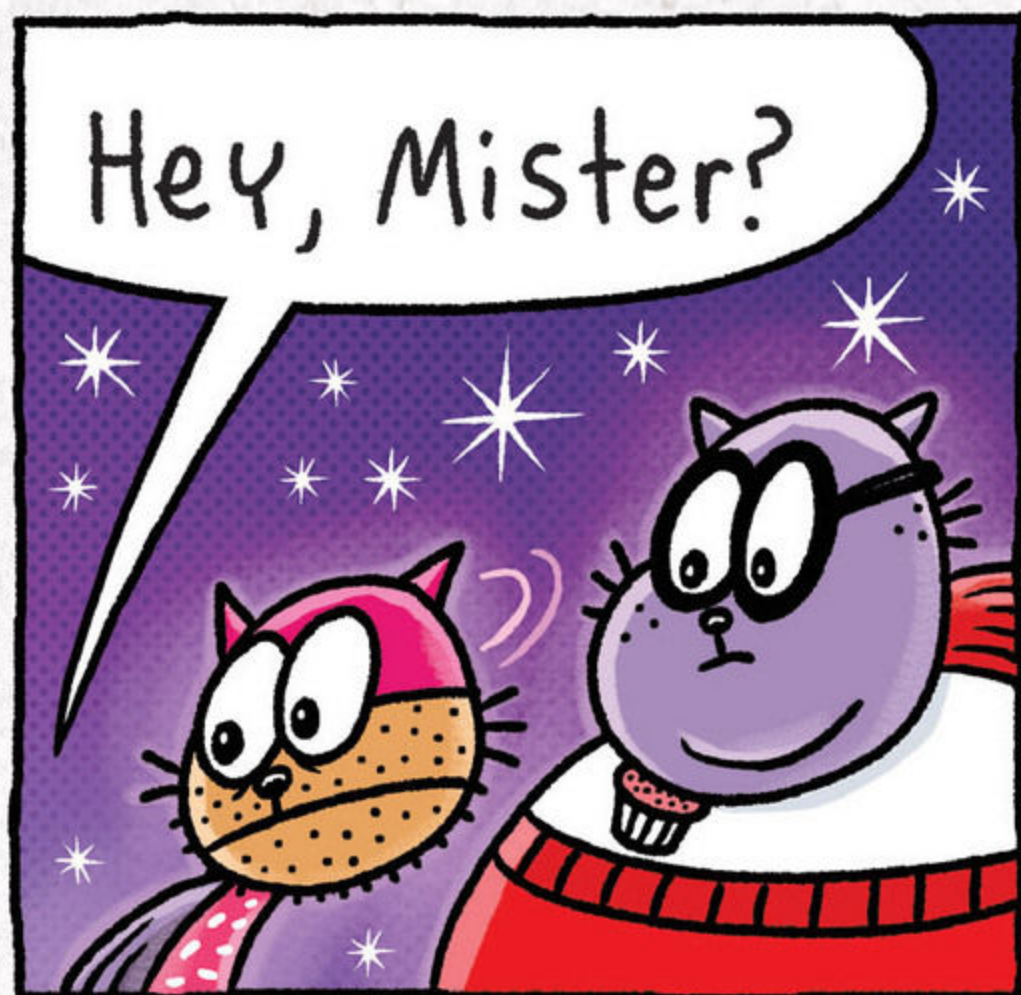


...You will
always
find people...



...who are helping."





Yeah. I don't
Know who **YOU**
are, though.



I'm a **Big
Shot**, too!!!



I'm **WAY COOLER**
than **That Guy!!!**



You Should
Shave!



YOU Should
Mind Your own
Beeswax!!!



What are You Kids doing up so late?



We're Going to a
HERO PARTY!



Every Hero in
town is invited!



You GUYS should
Come, too!!!



They're Giving
away **FREE**
cake!!!

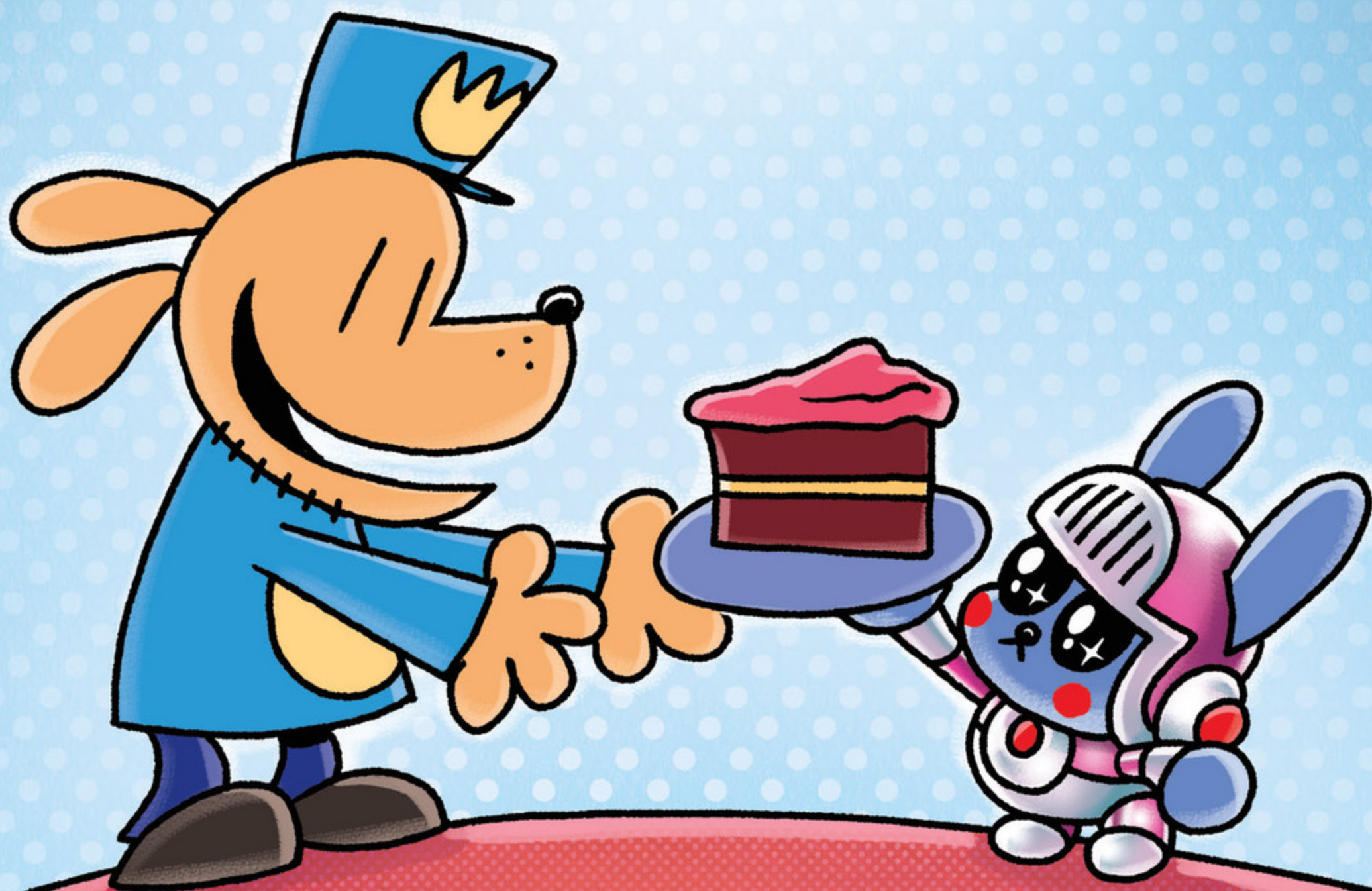






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Free Cake



AW,
MAAAH!



We could be eating
FREE CAKE Right Now!!!



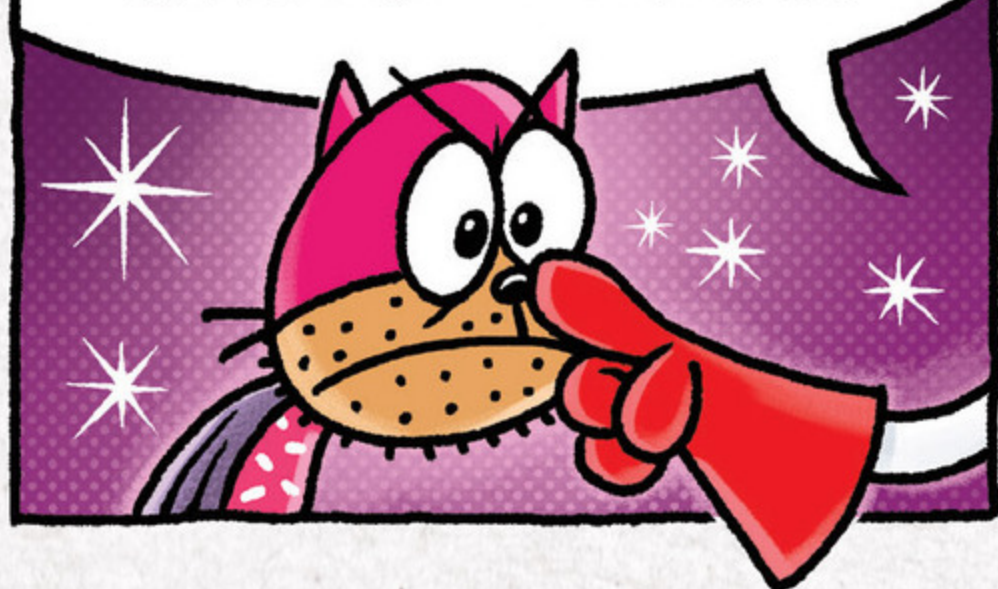
We mustn't
do that,
Sprinkles.



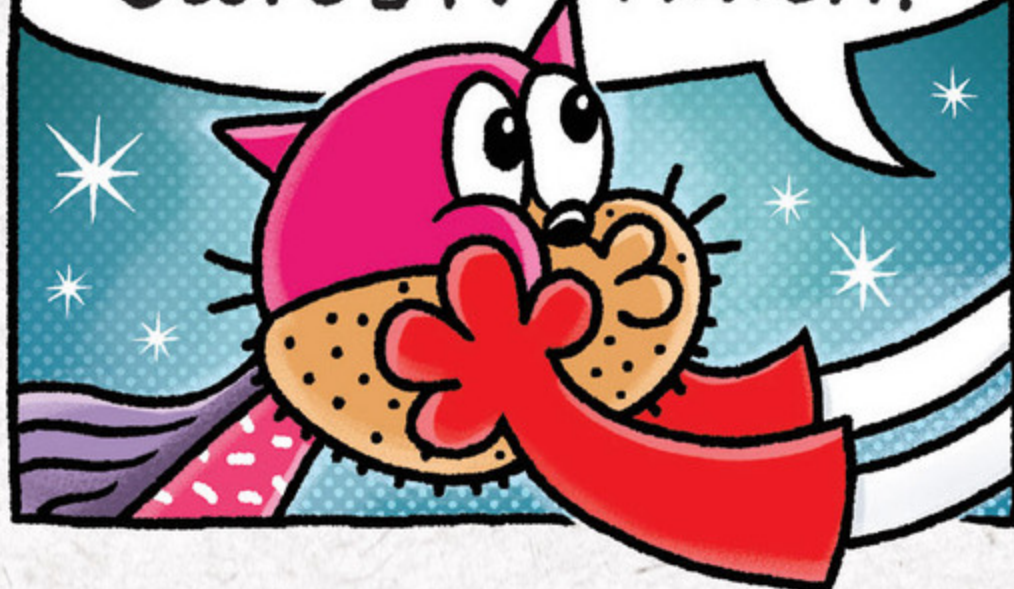
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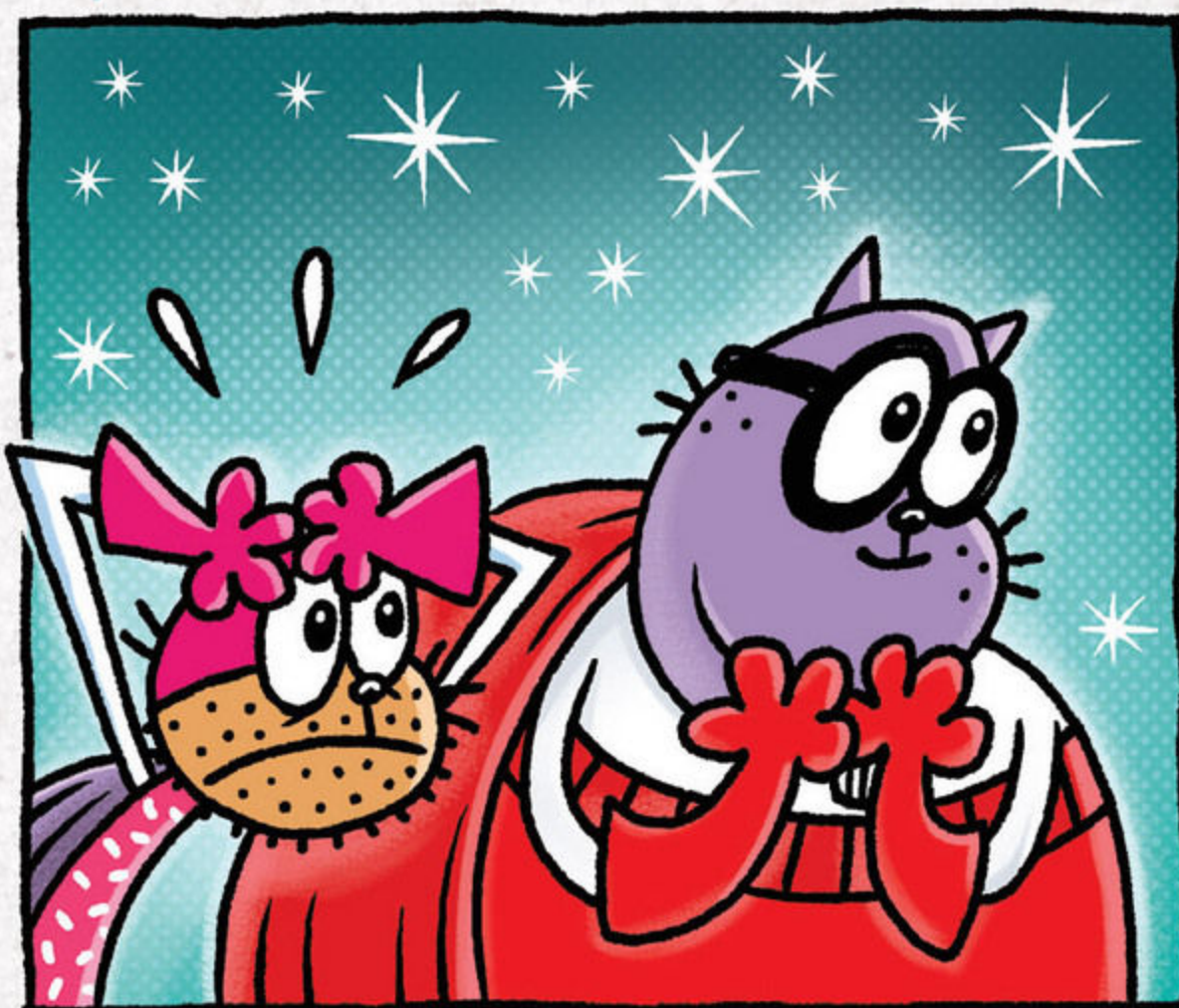


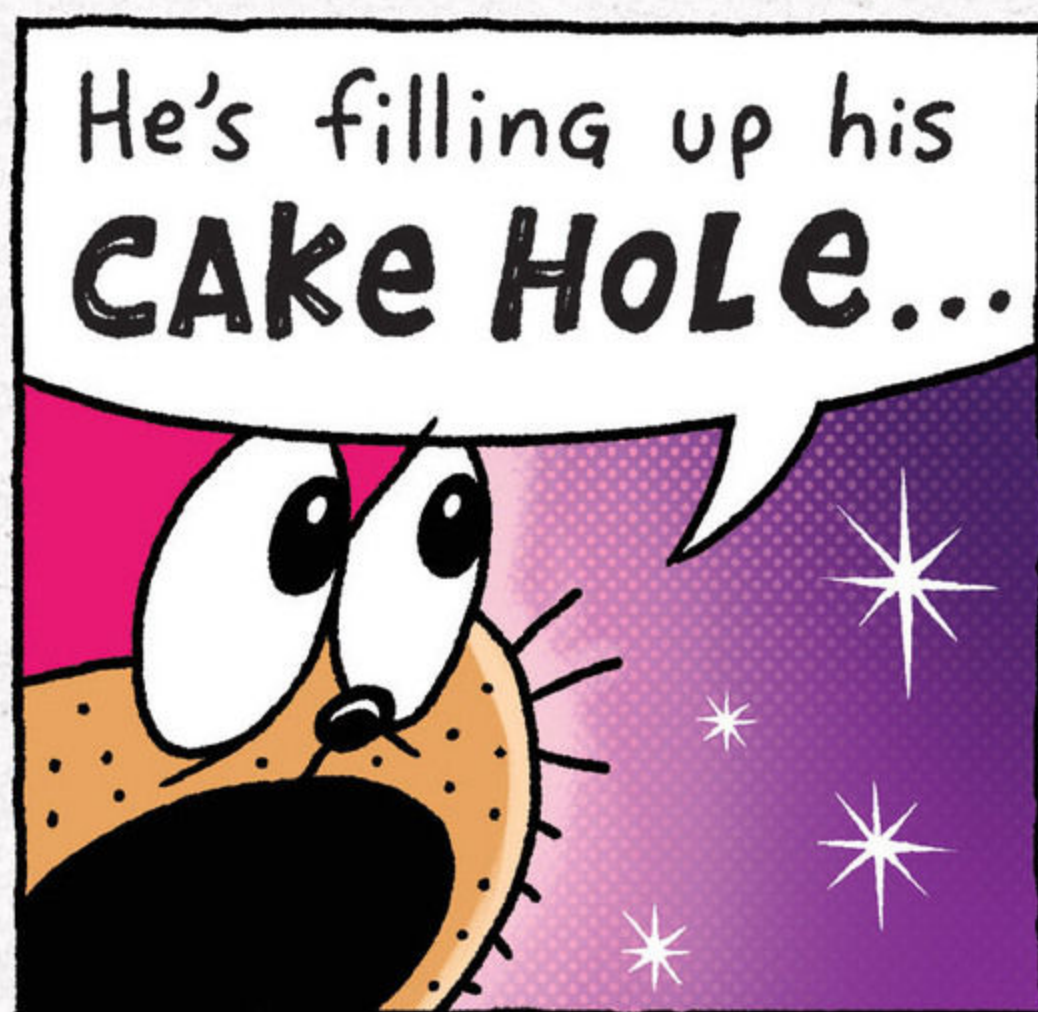
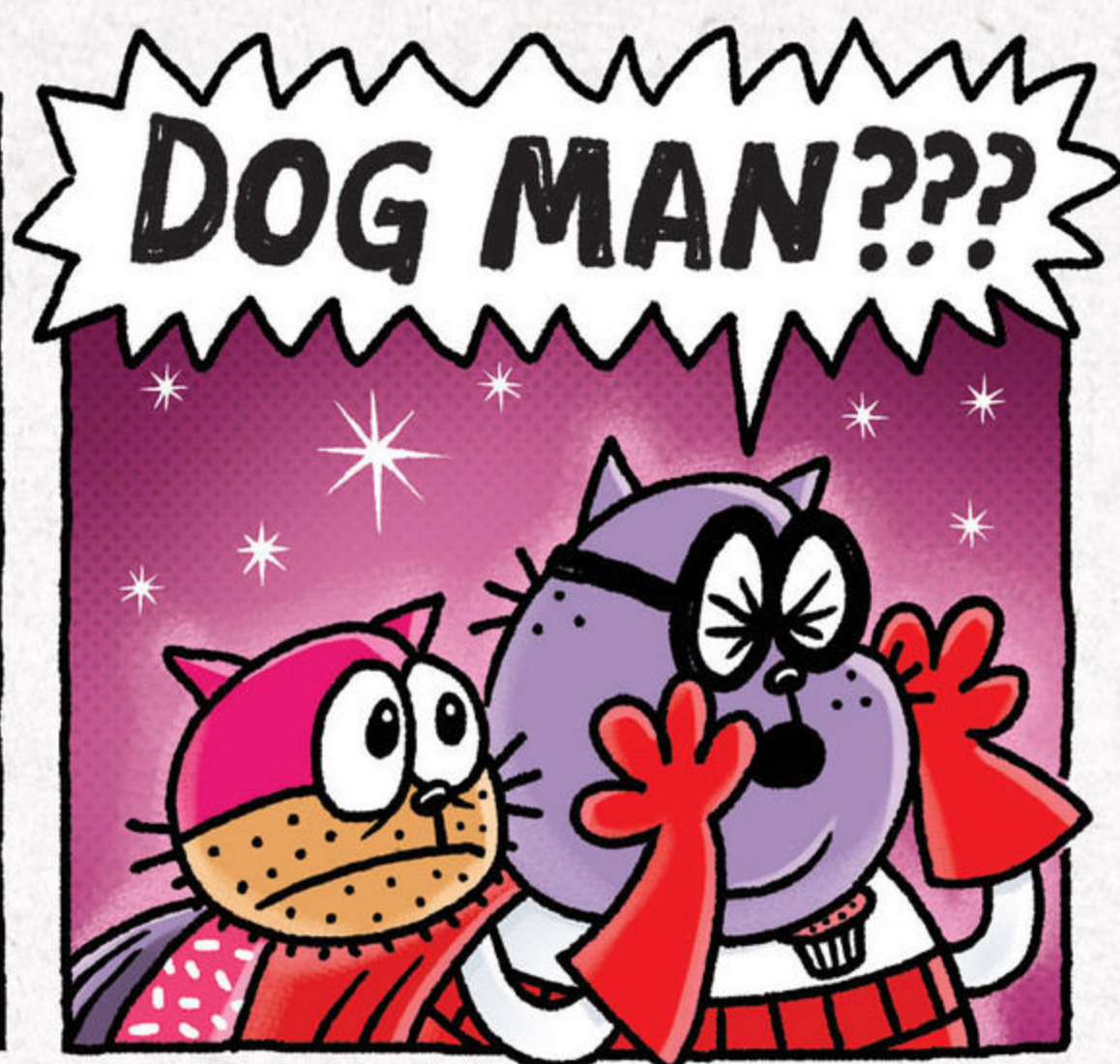
"Thou shalt not
eat normal-
sized cakes.

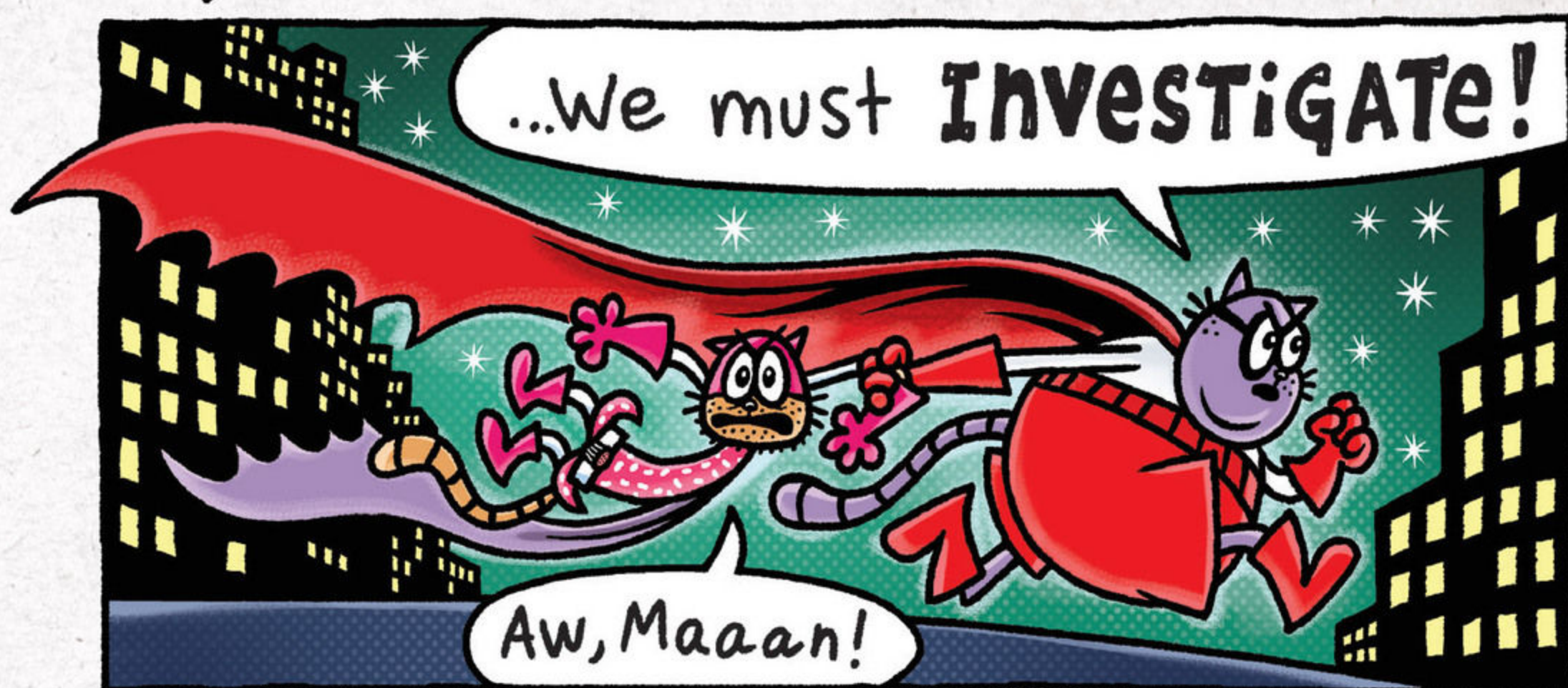


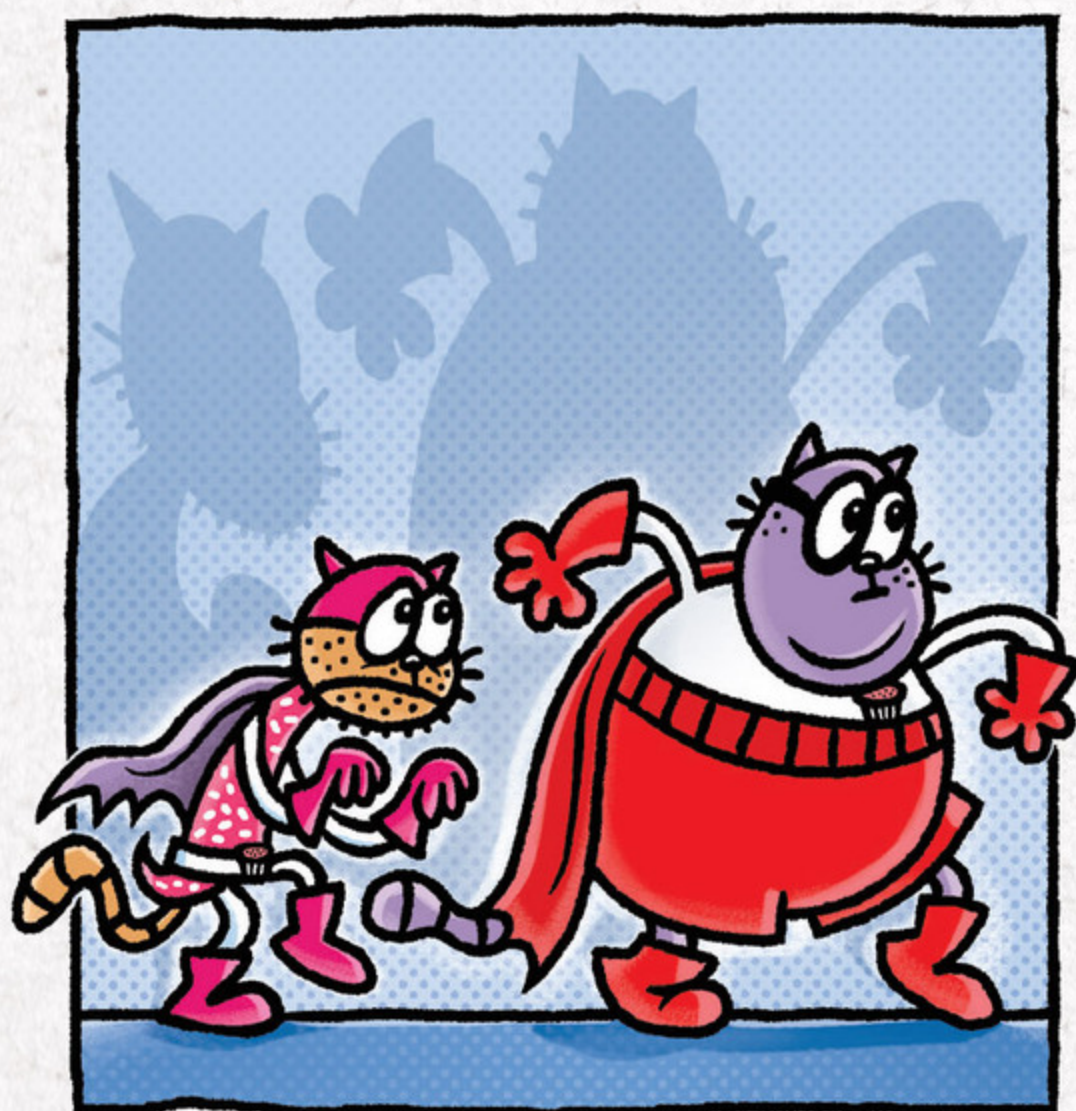
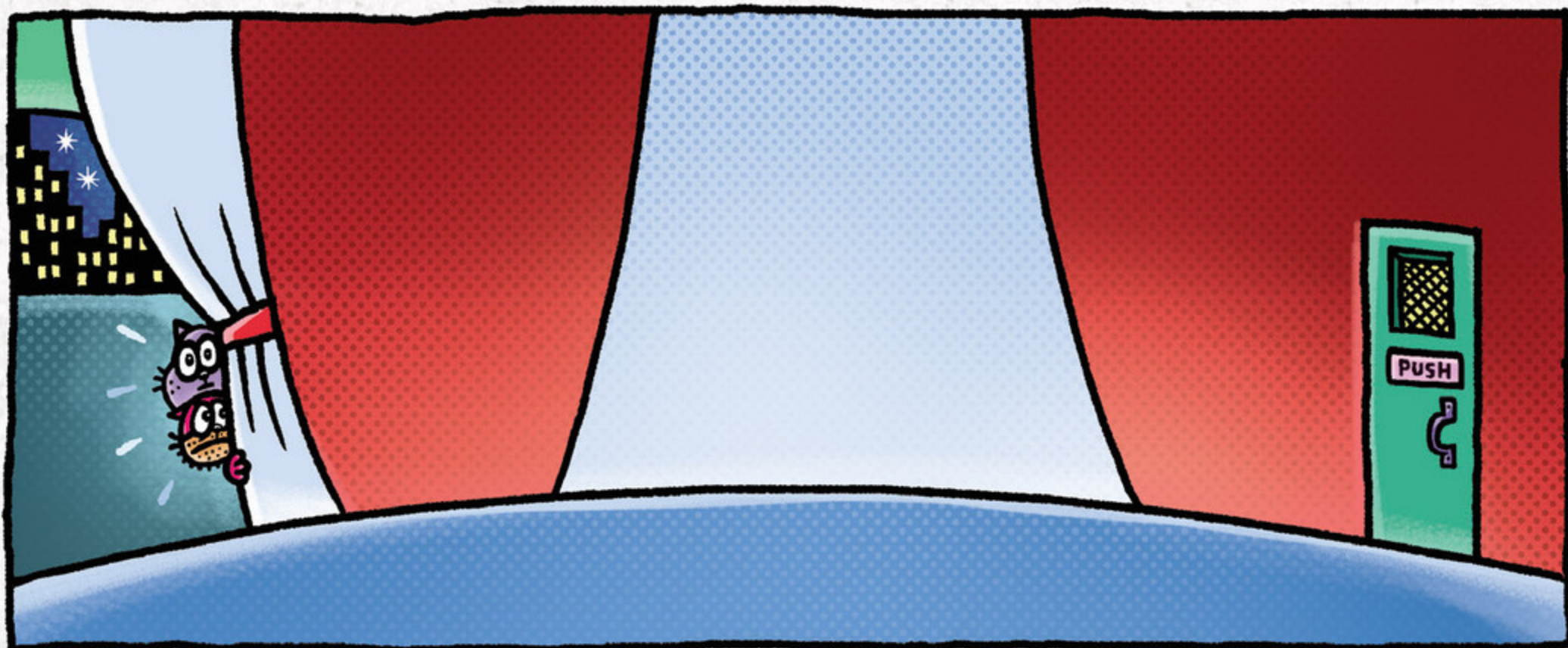
Only cup-sized
cakes shalt thou
eatest." Amen.

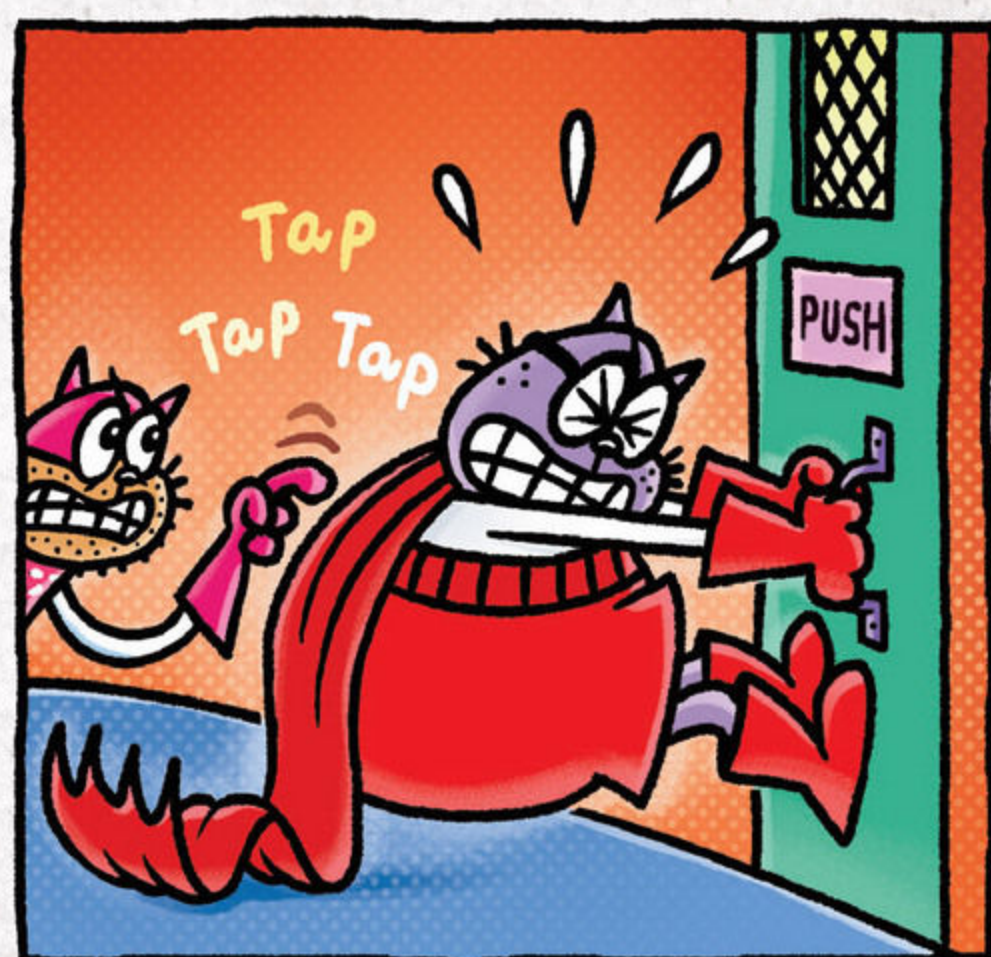
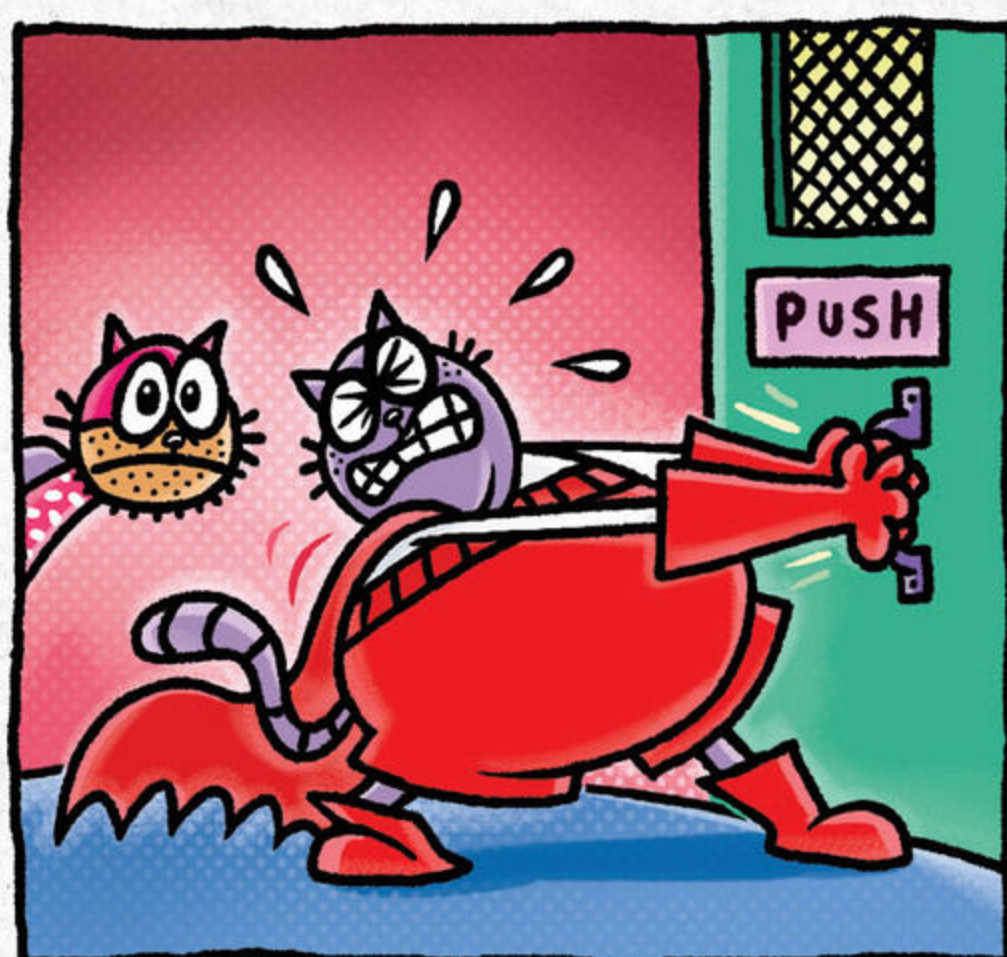
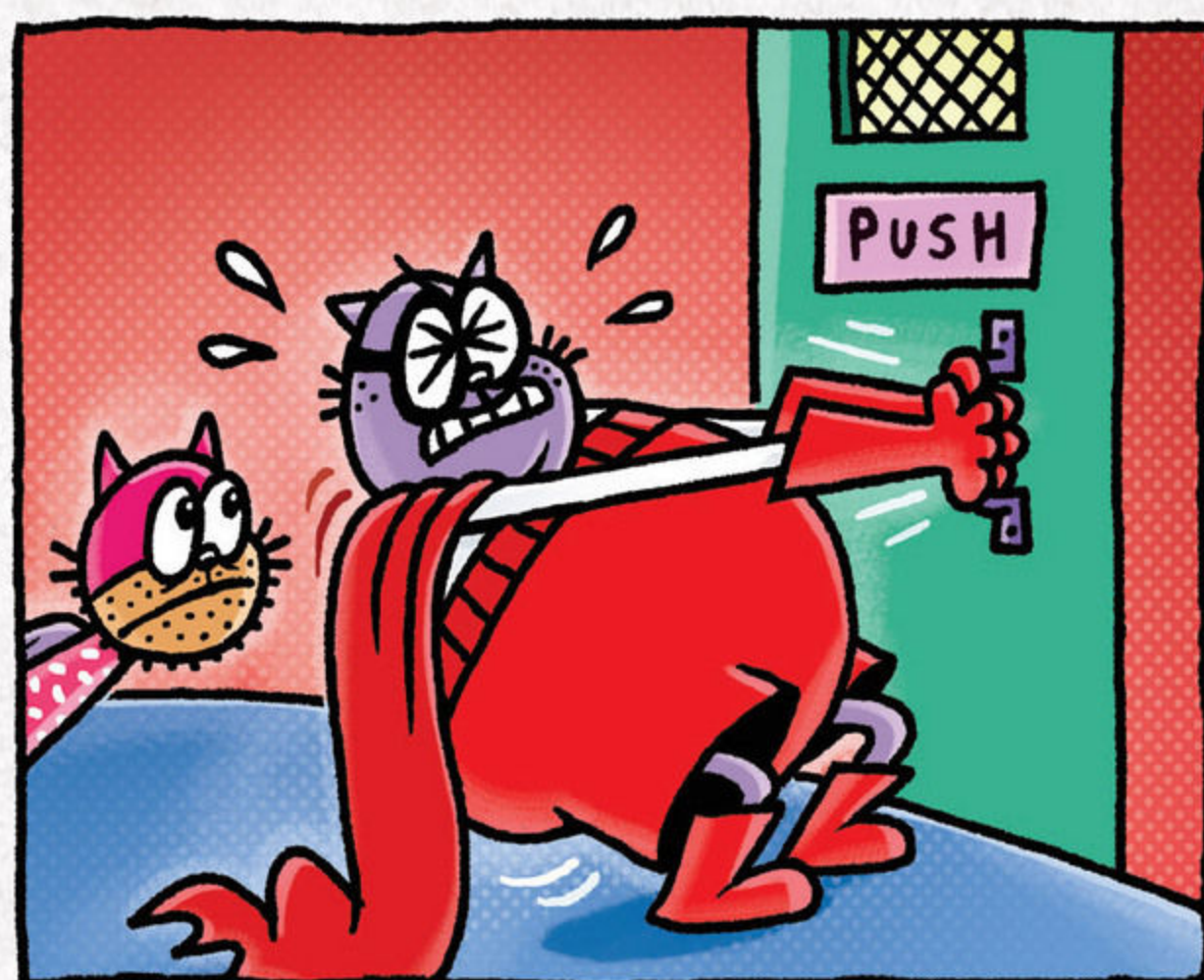
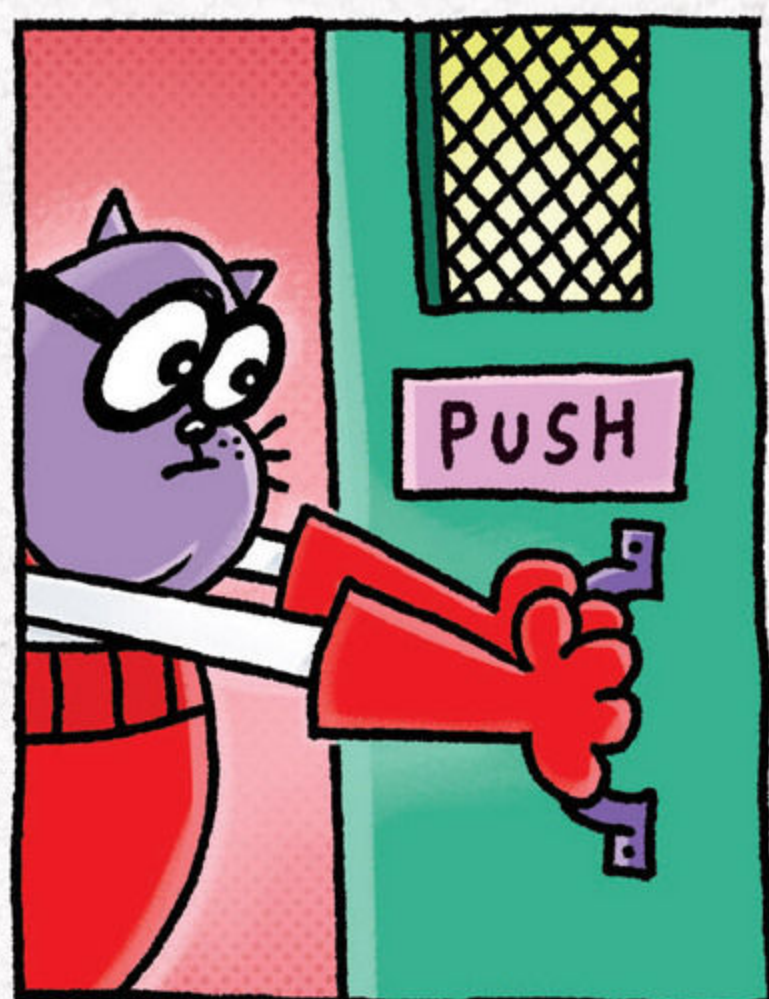


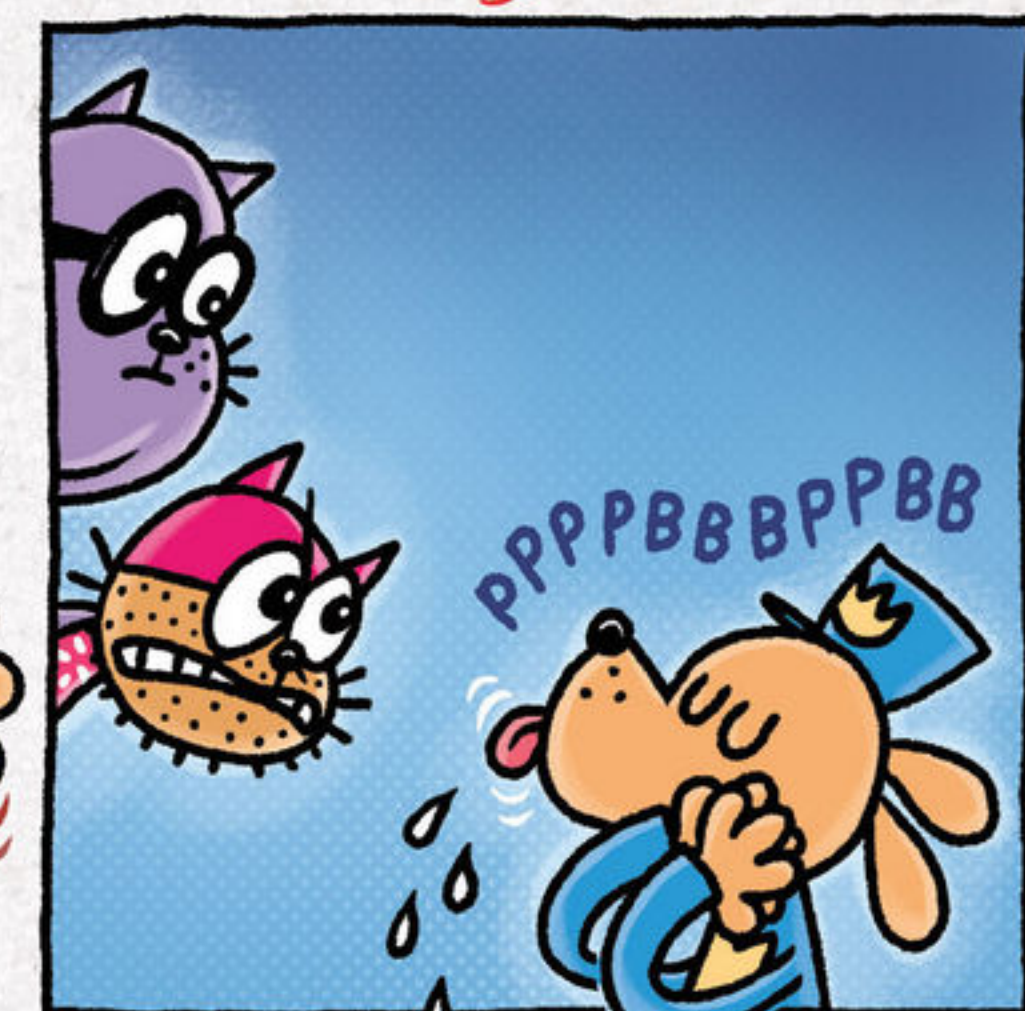
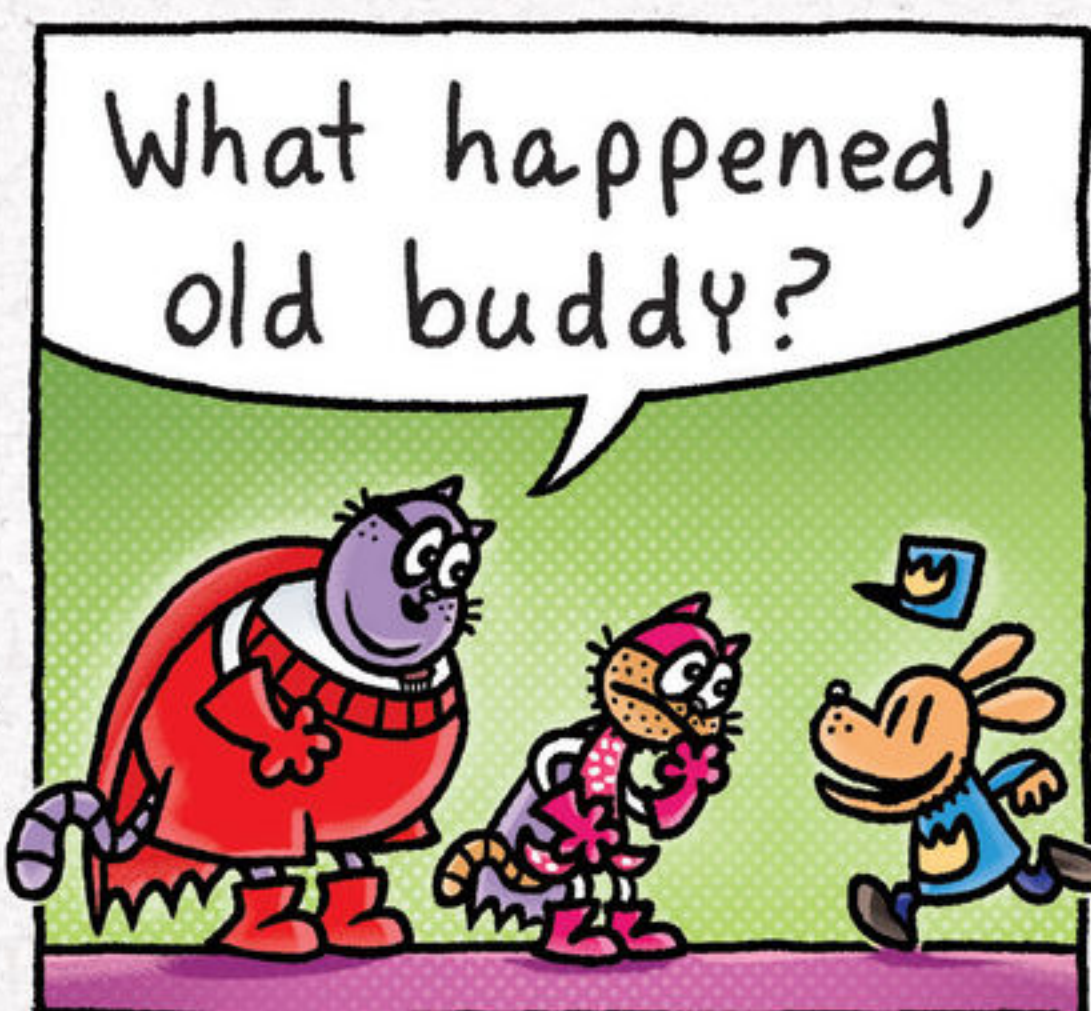
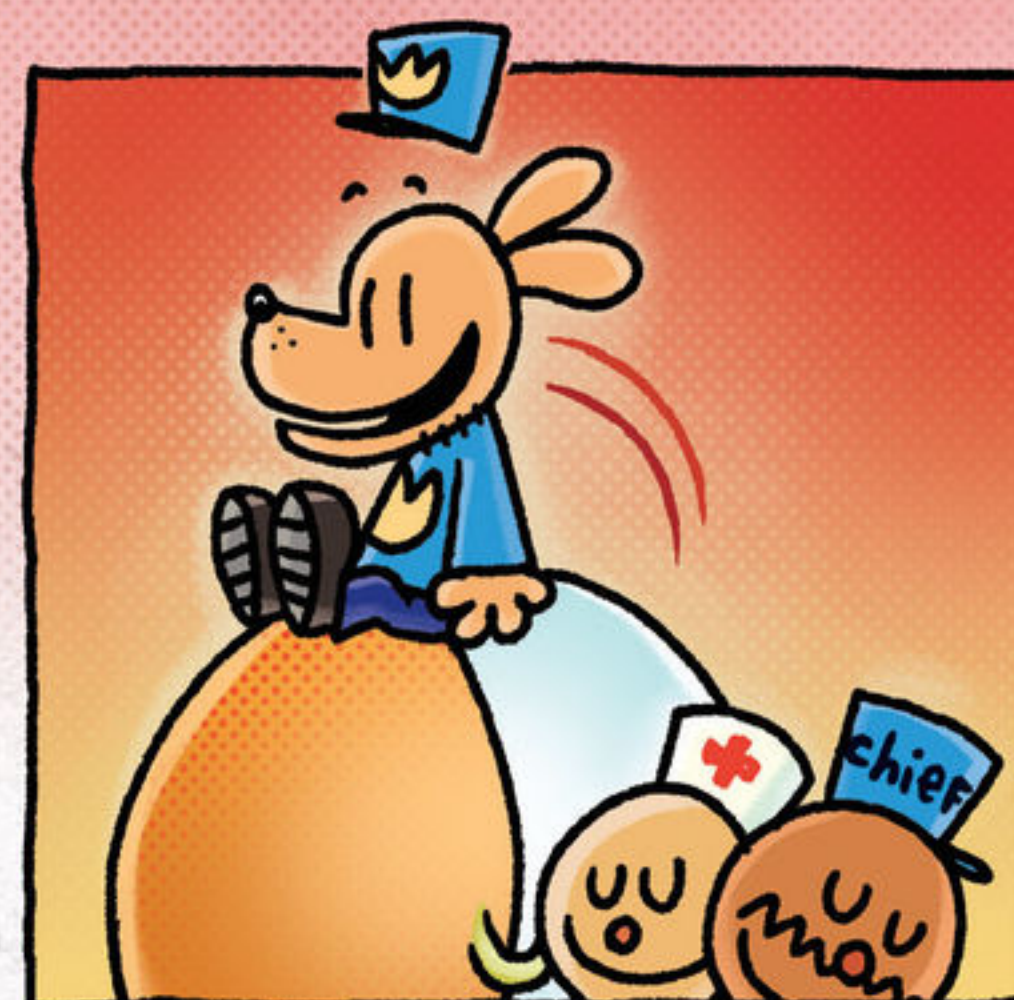












I CAN'T UNDERSTAND
WHAT YOU'RE SAYING!!!



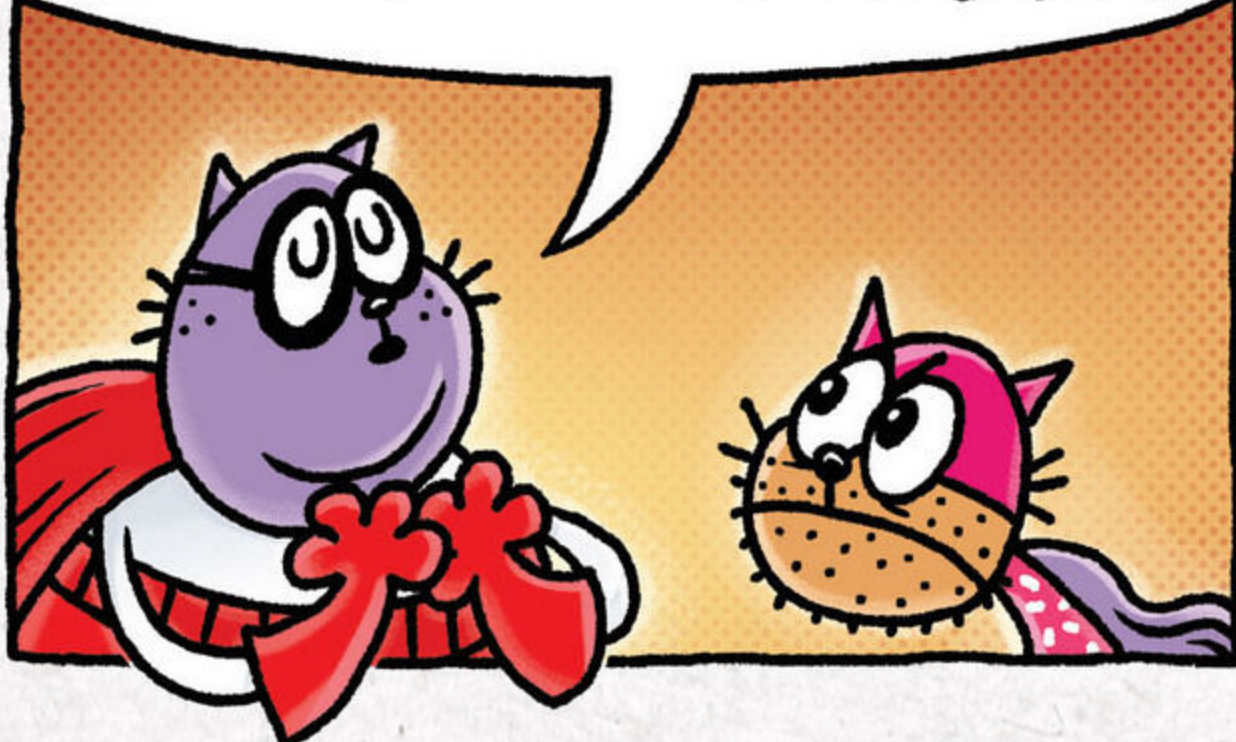
Sprinkles...



...we mustn't talk to
others like that.

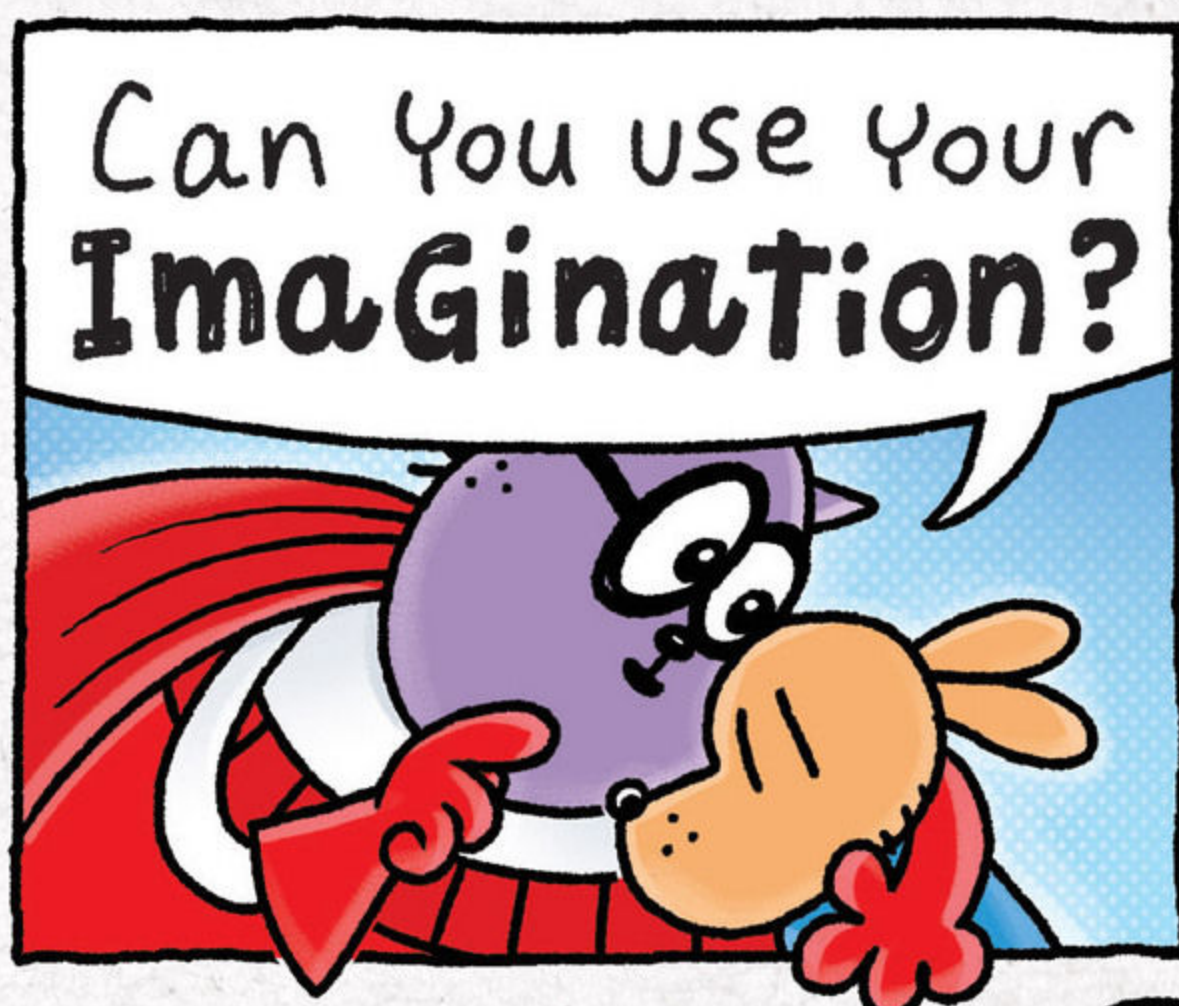
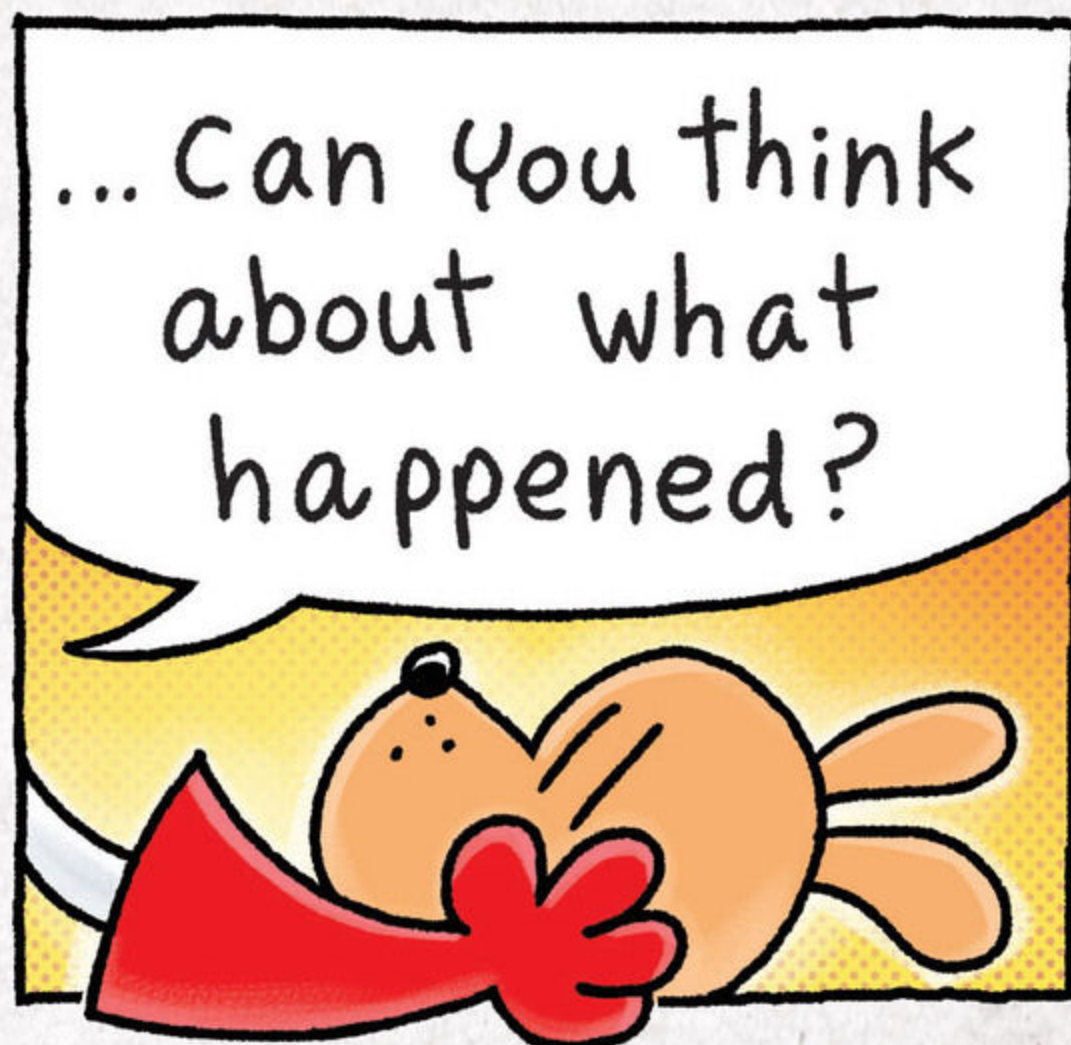


We must Always Act
with **Kindness...**



...like this:

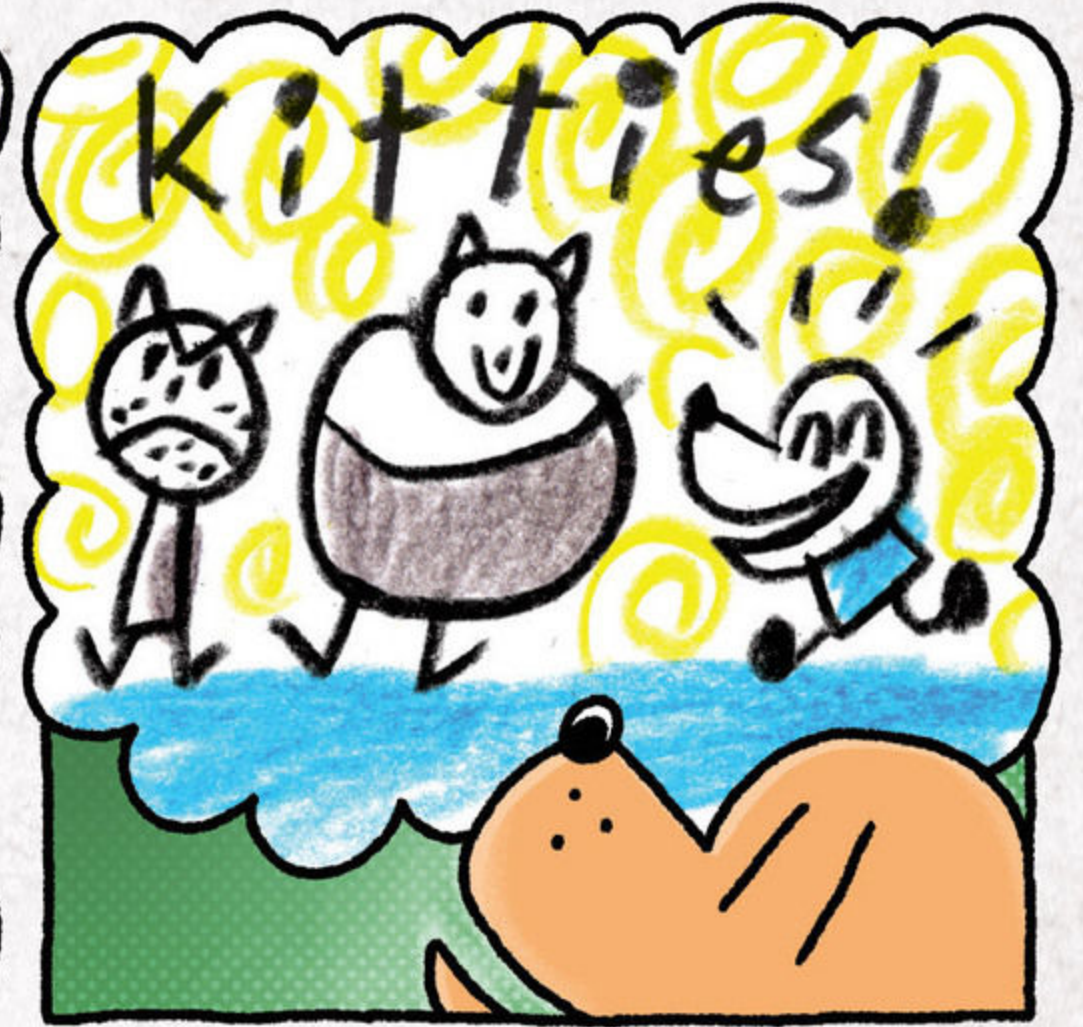




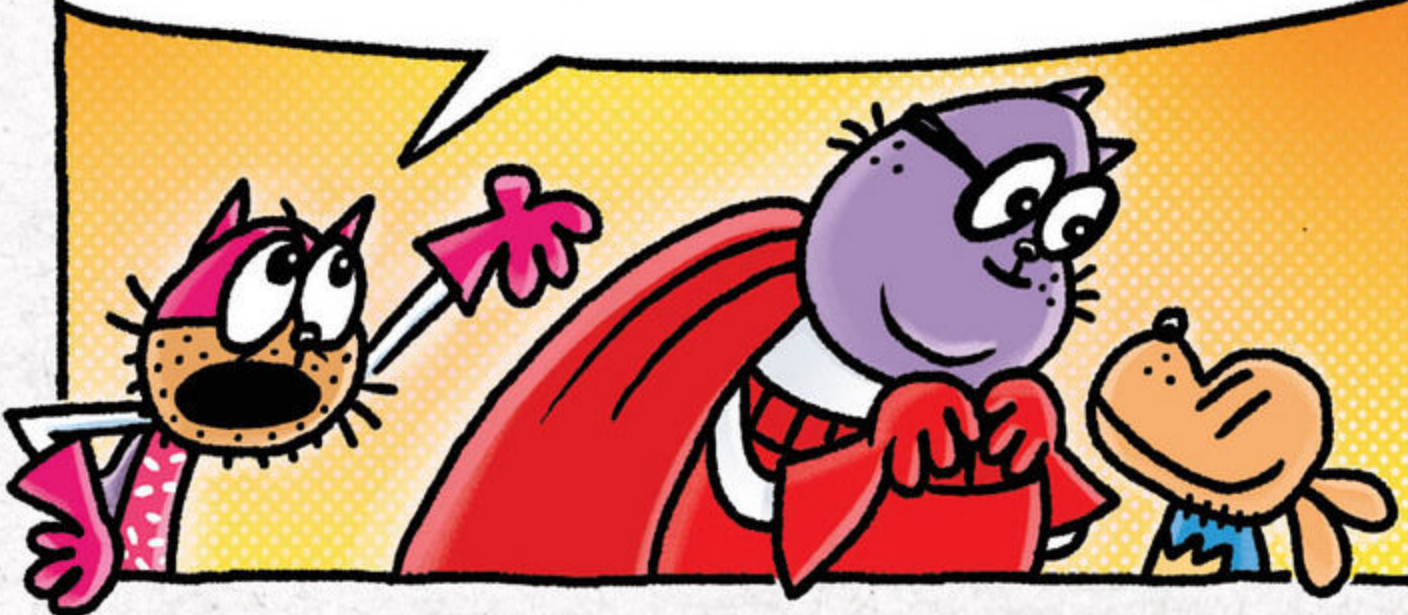








Well, **THAT** was a
Big **WASTE** of **Time**!



It made
No Sense
at **ALL!!!**



Of course
it did...



... and we've Got
No Time to **Lose**!



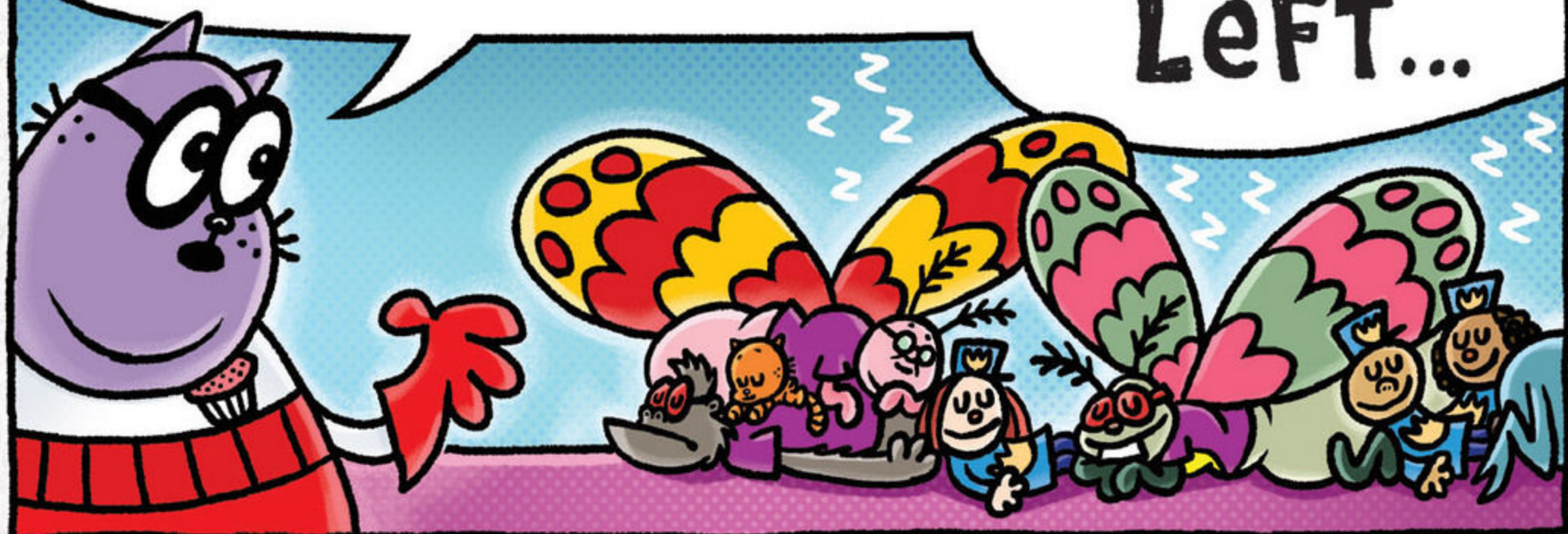
For whoever
threw this
Party...



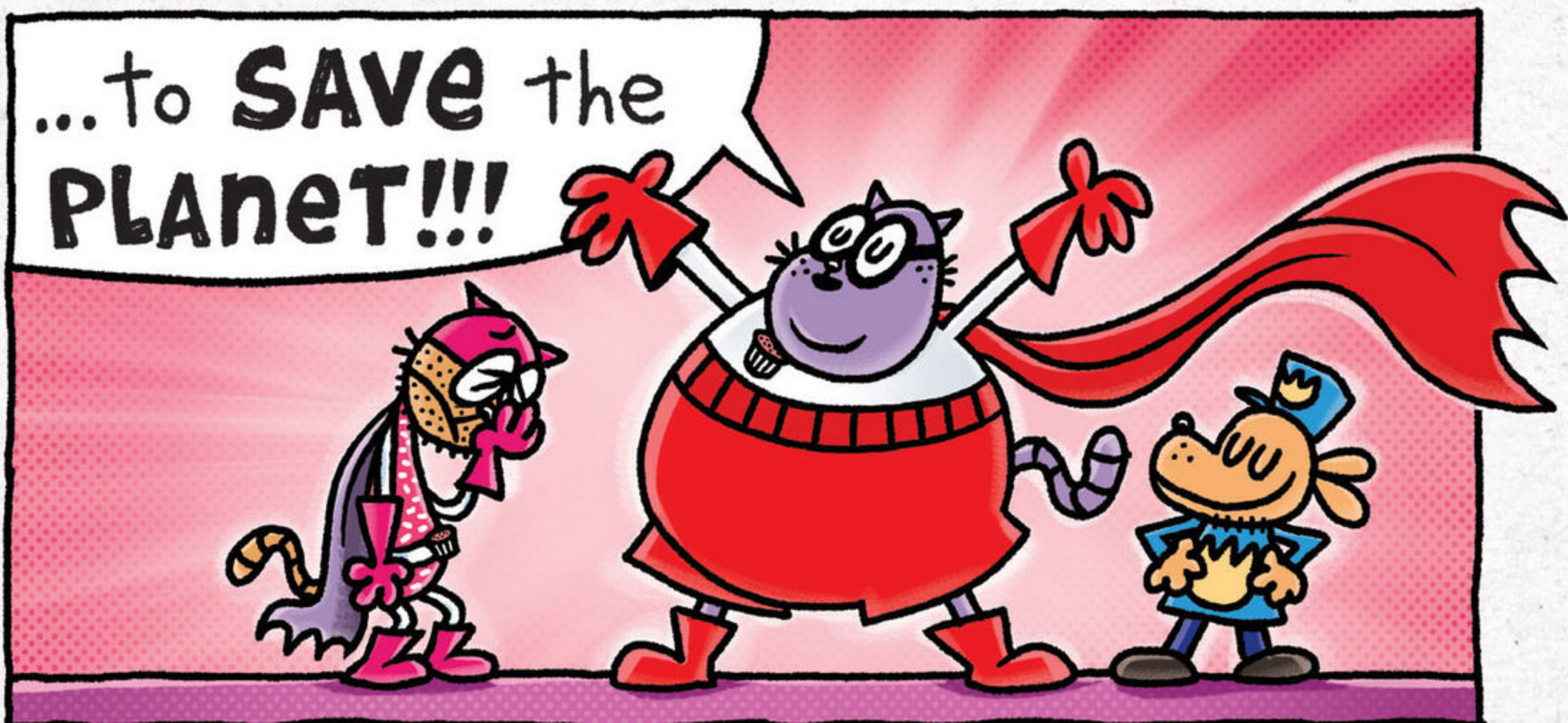
...SPiKed the
CAKE with
SLEEPING POTiON!



Now **We** are the **ONLY** HEROES
LEFT...

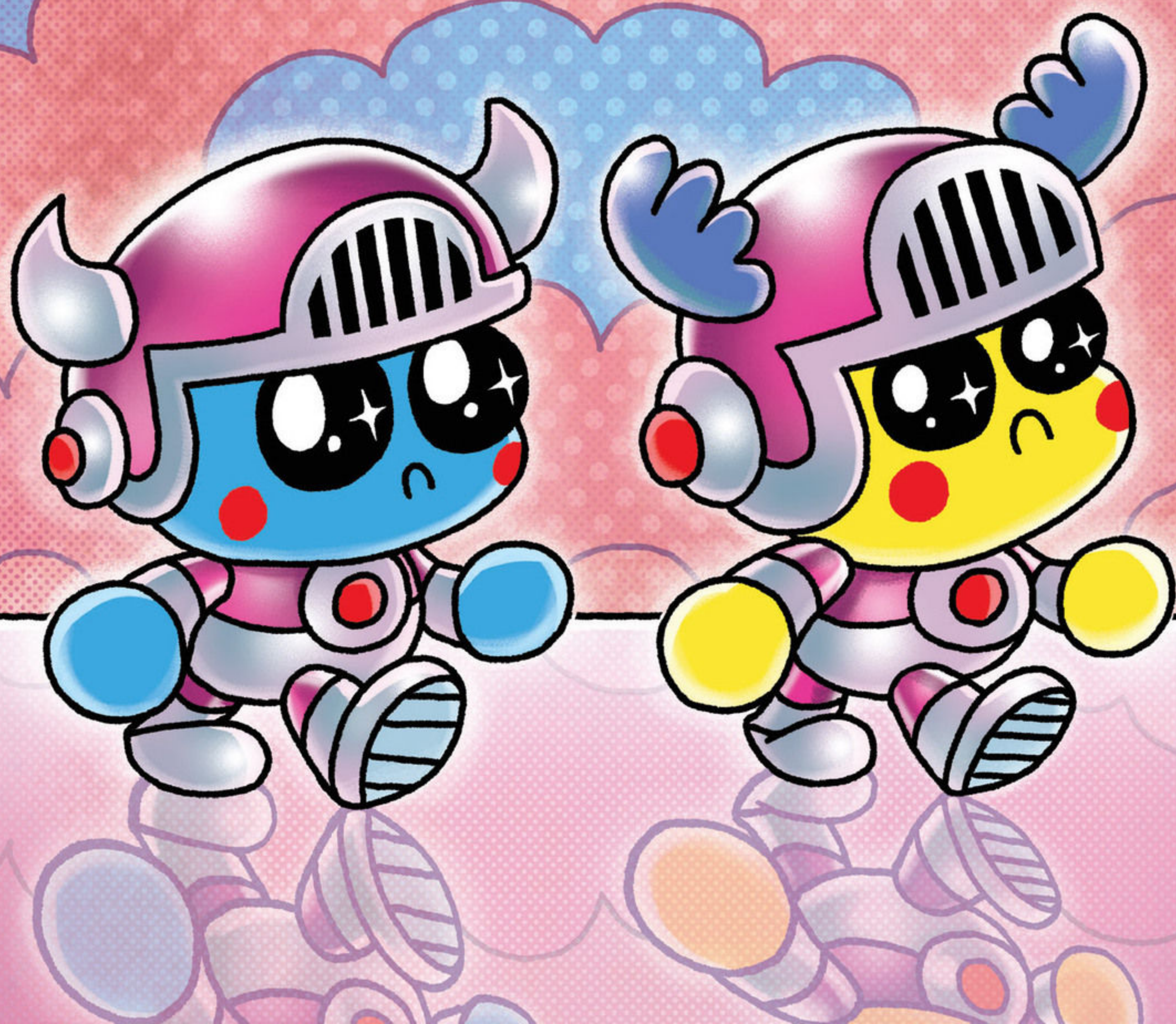


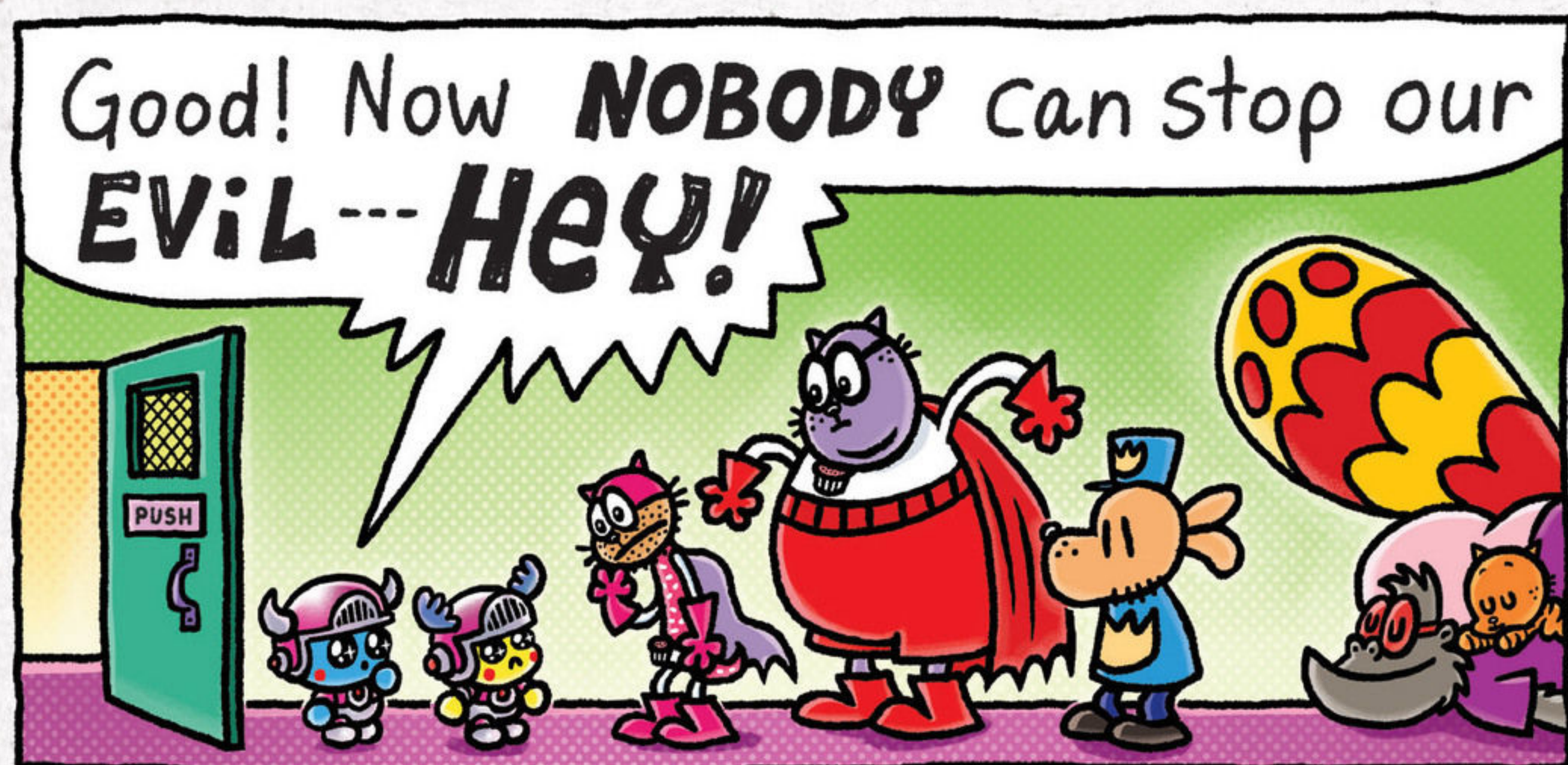
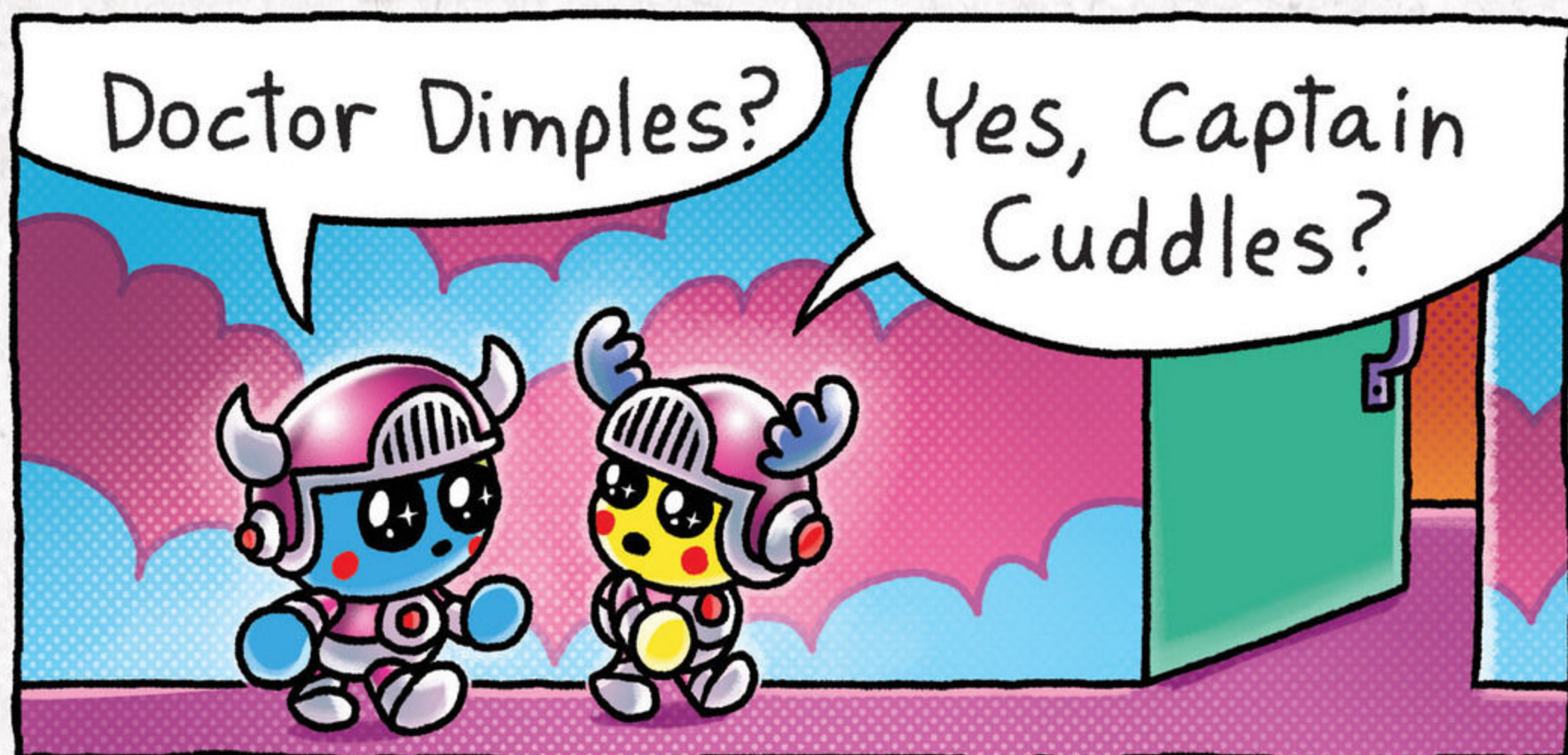
...to **SAVE** the
PLANET!!!



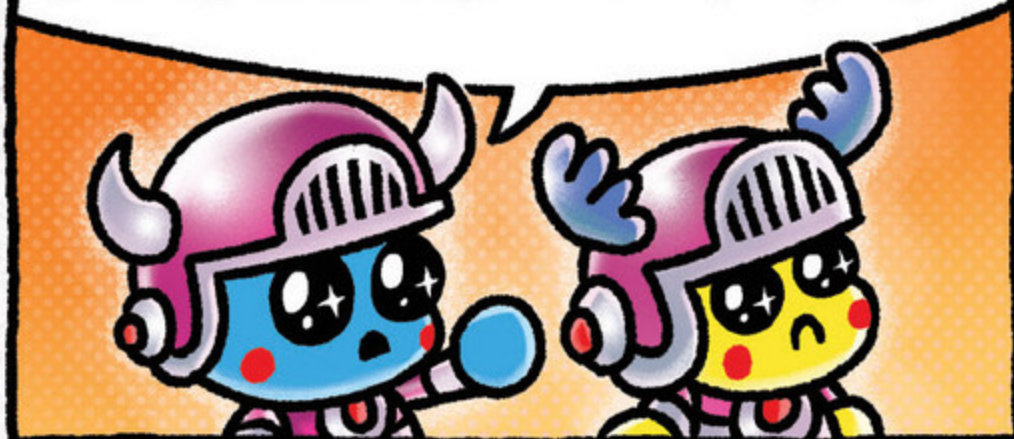
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**A BUNCH A
STUFF THAT
HAPPENED
NEXT**





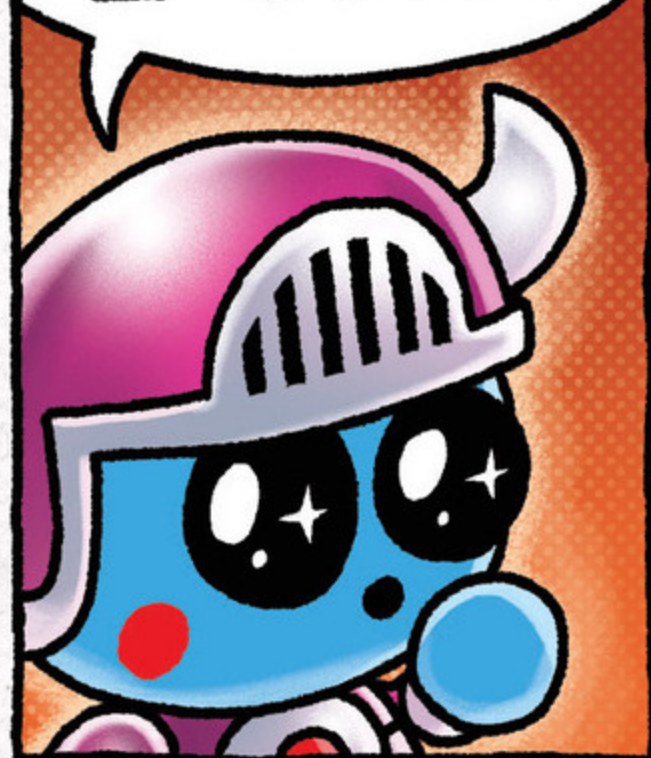
Why are **THOSE**
GUYS STILL
AWAKE???



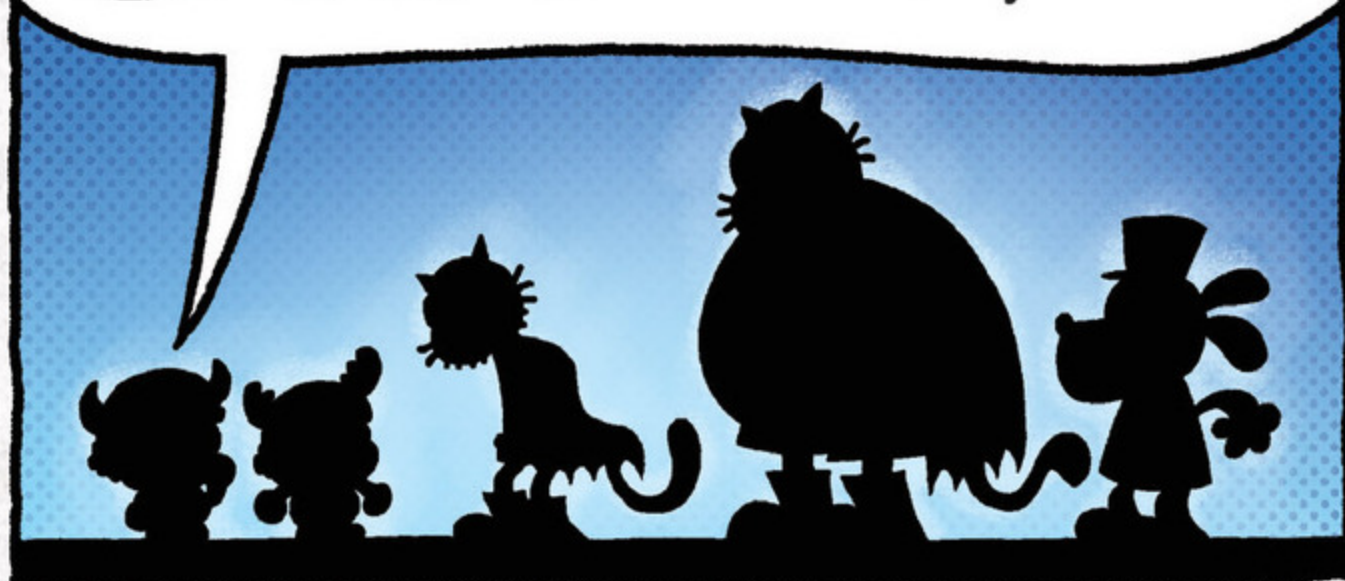
I Guess they
didn't eat our
Sleepycake[®], sir.



I See...



... So they're **TOO**
SMART for us, eh?



Let's
find
out!



MY Scanner says
They're not a threat.



They don't
even have
SUPERPOWERS!



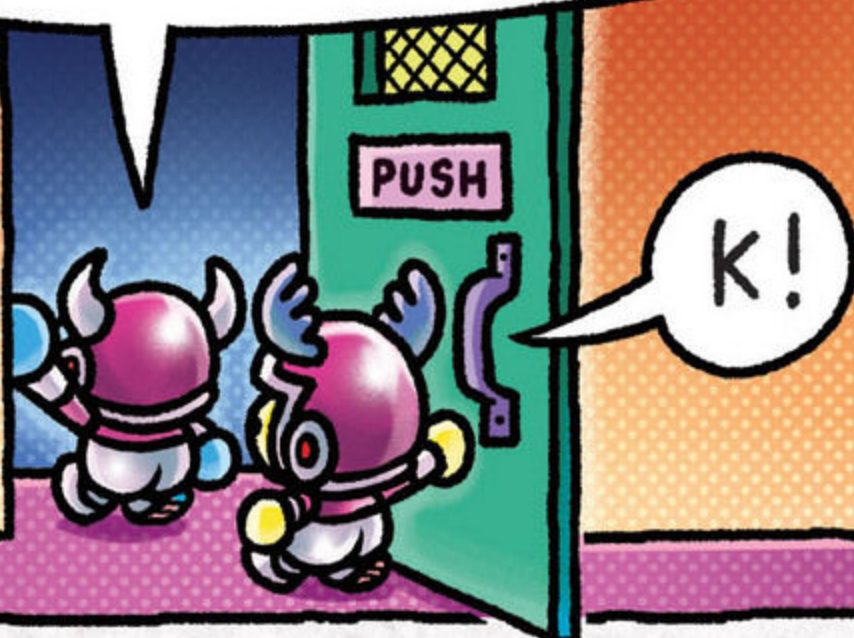
They're not
Heroes at all!!!



**HA HA HA HA
HA HA HA!!!**

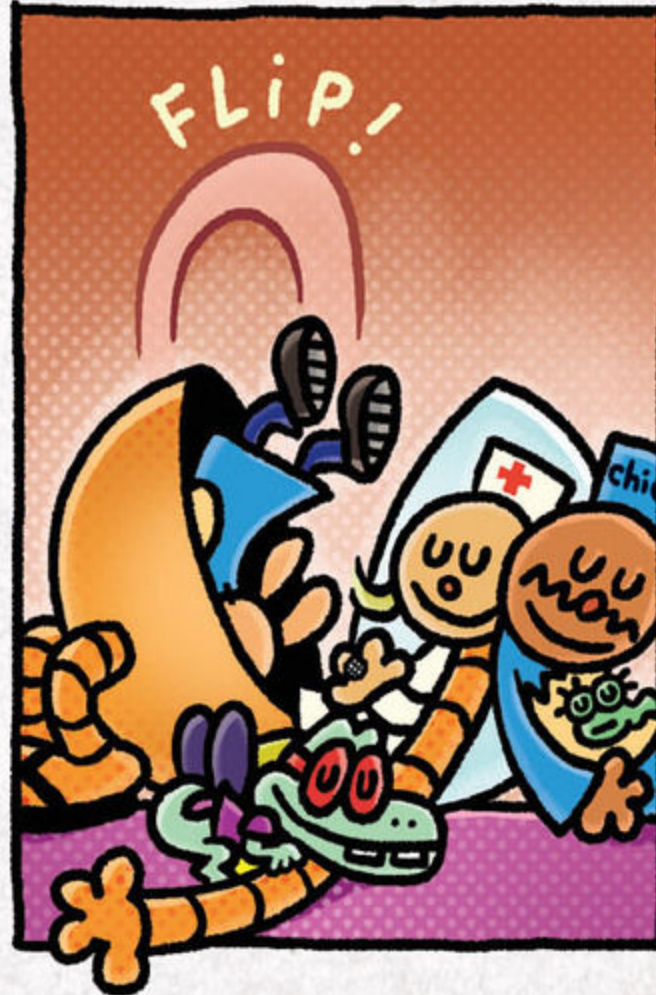
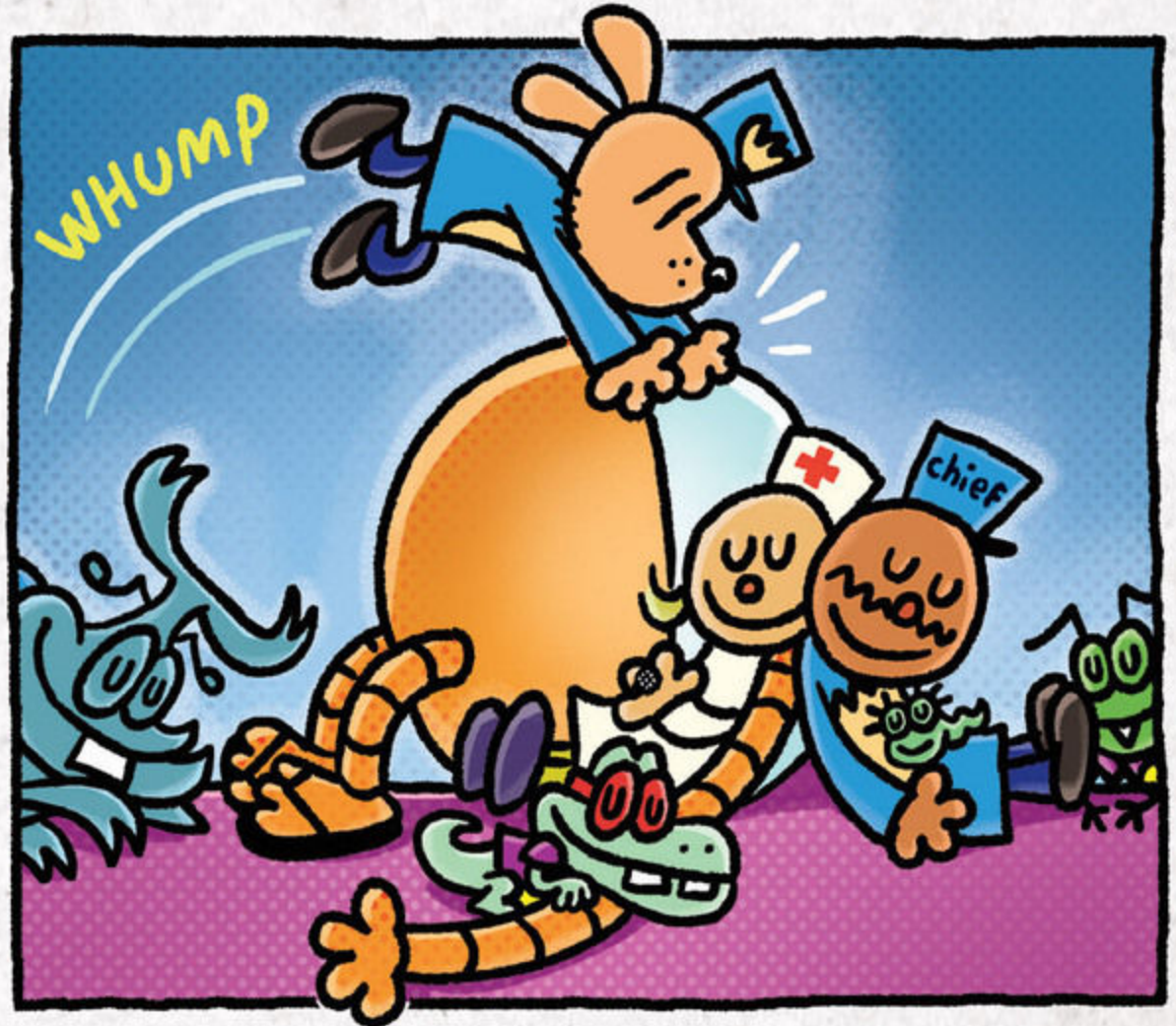


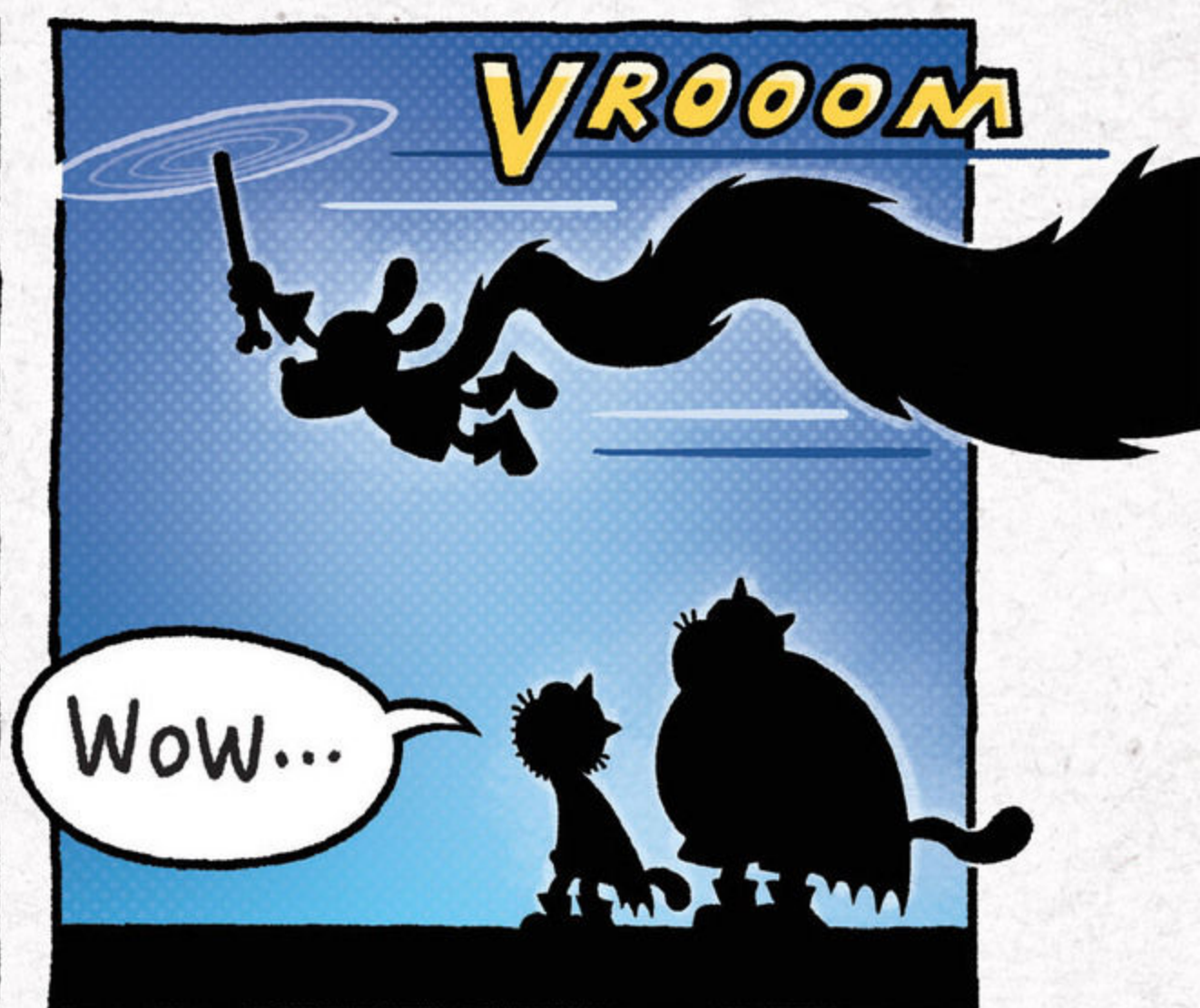
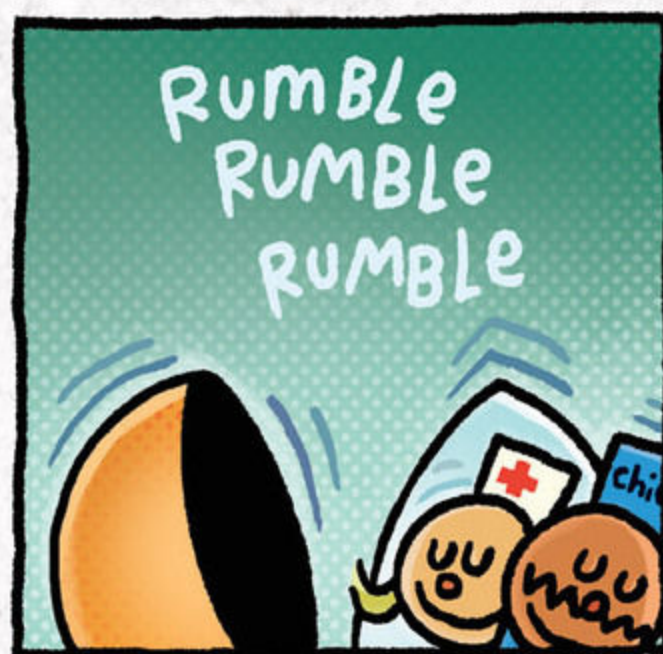
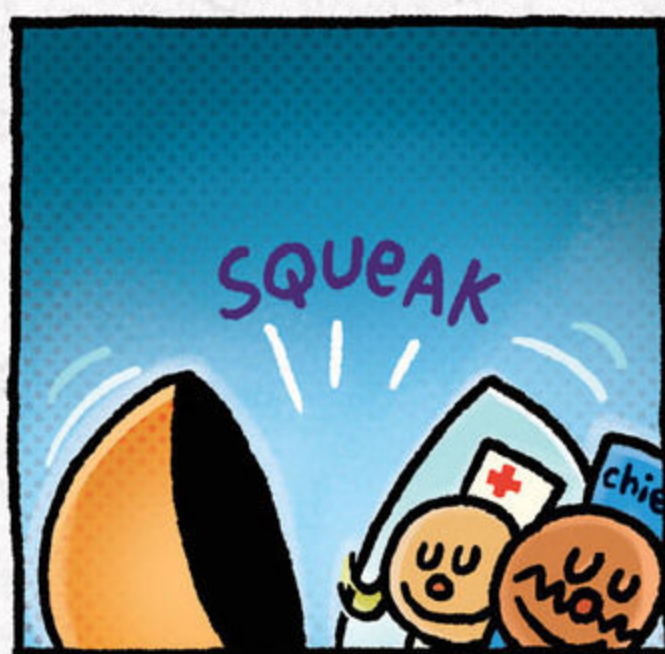
Let us Begin our
ATTACK at Once!!!

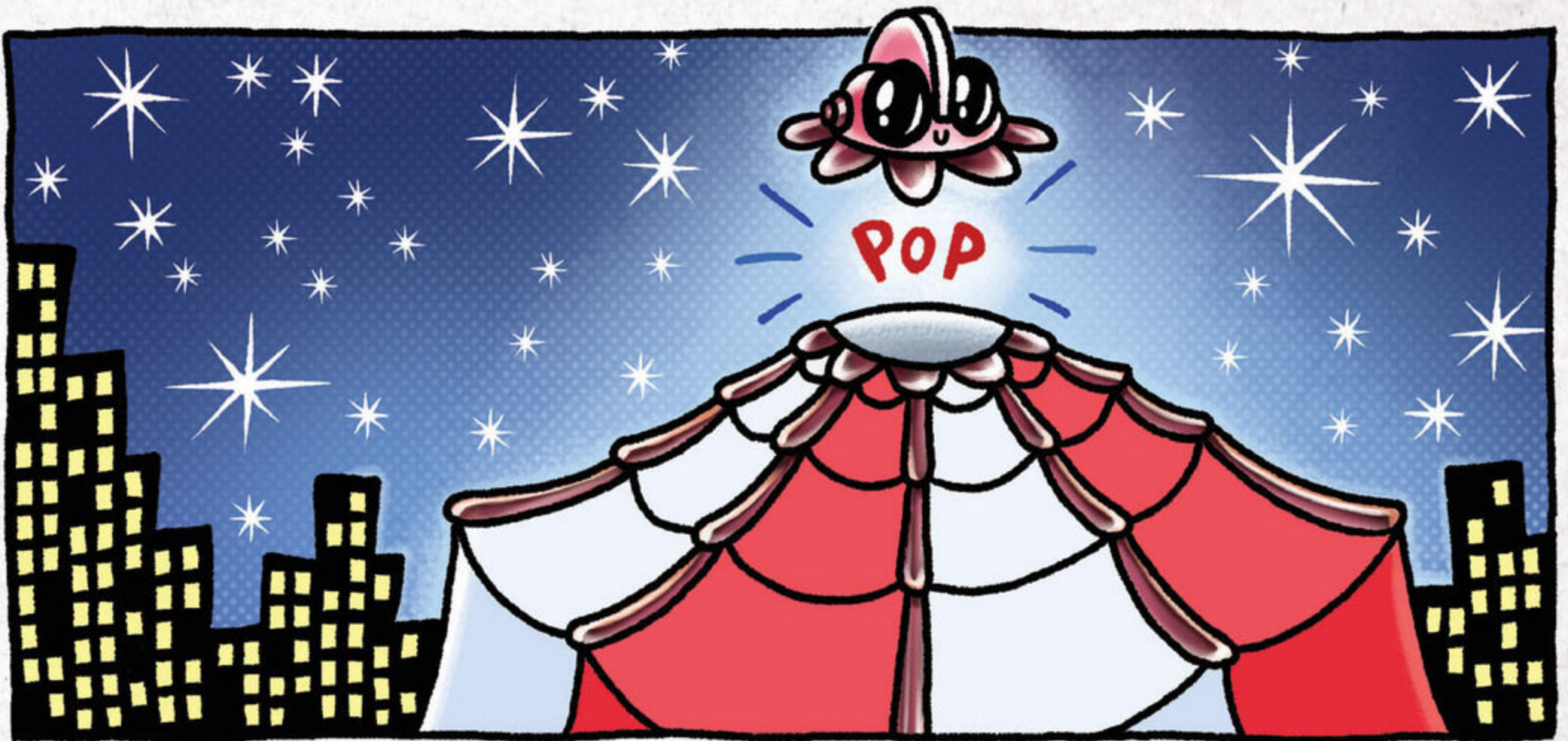


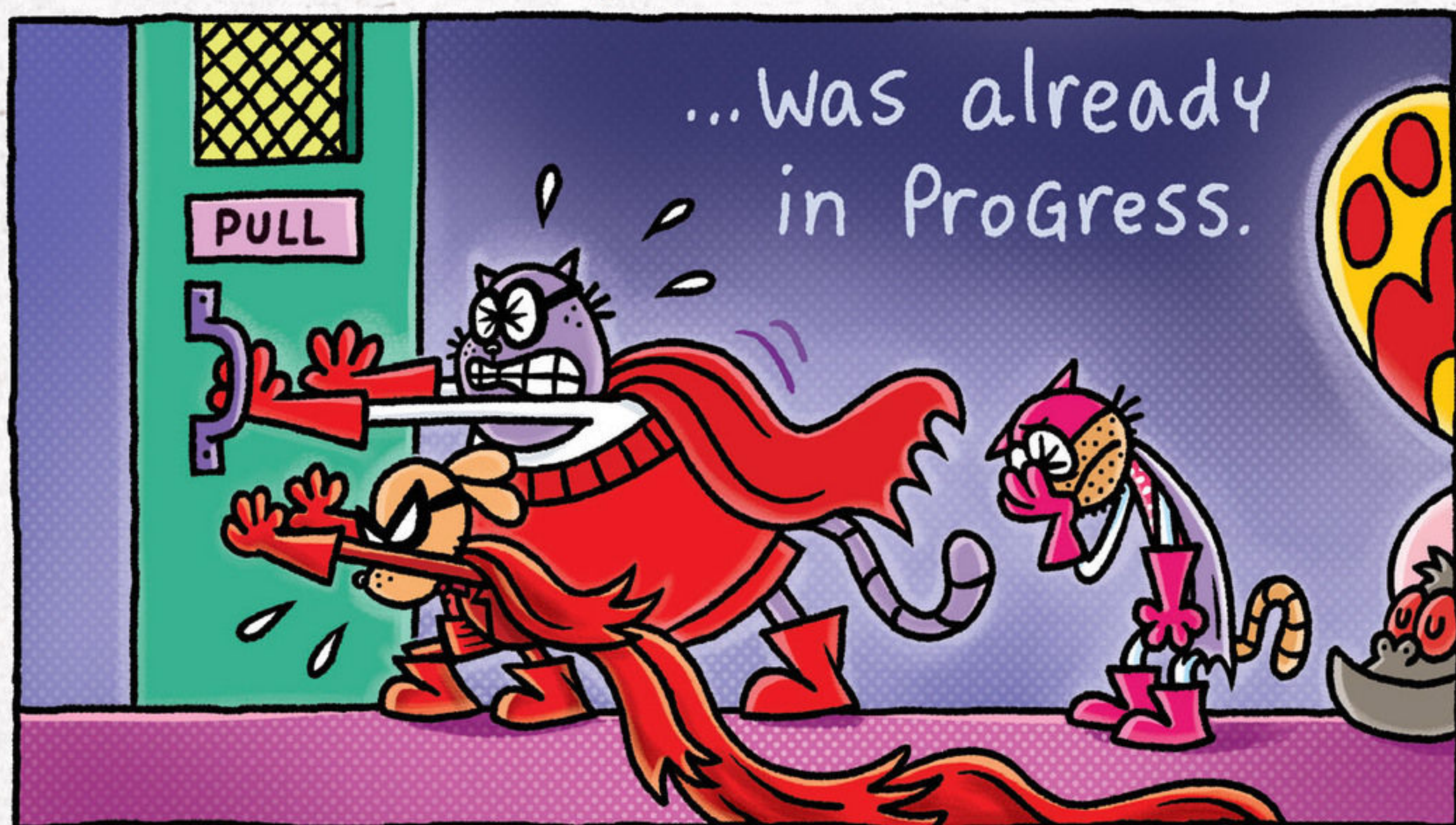
SLAM!











CHAPTER 12

The World's CUTEST INVASION



NEWS ALERT!

We interrupt
this new series...



TERROR IN

...with **BREAKING
NEWS!**



THE SKY! IS

A **UFO** has
been sighted...



THE WORLD



...hovering
over the city...

COMING TO

...Zapping every-
thing in sight!!!



ZAP

AN END? BUY

And check this out:



NEW NACHO

When something
Gets Zapped, it
Changes...



CHEESE FLAI

...from **NORMAL...**



VORED CRUSH



H CHUMPERZ

...to **SUPA CUTE!!!**



EXTREME PO

Awww!!!



POTATO SMACI

Gee, I wonder
if that Zapper
works on People?



KERS! NEWS



ALERT: EARTH



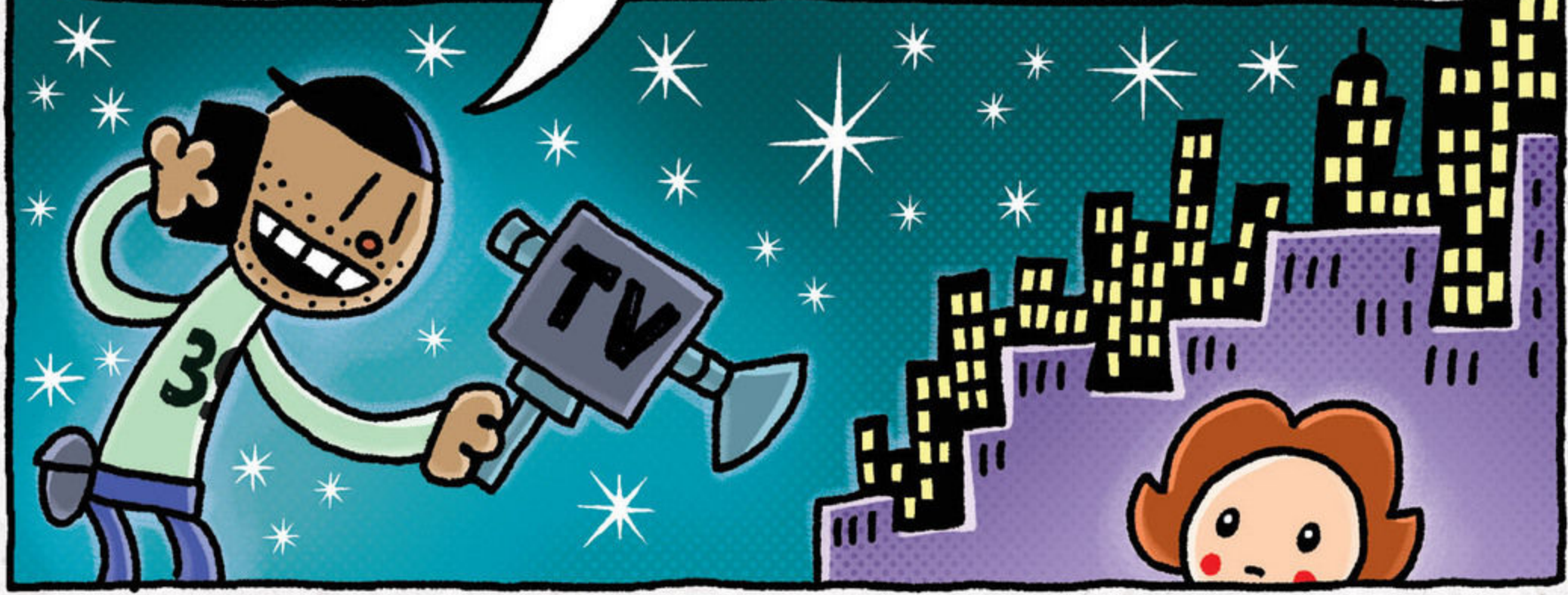
W IS DOOMED

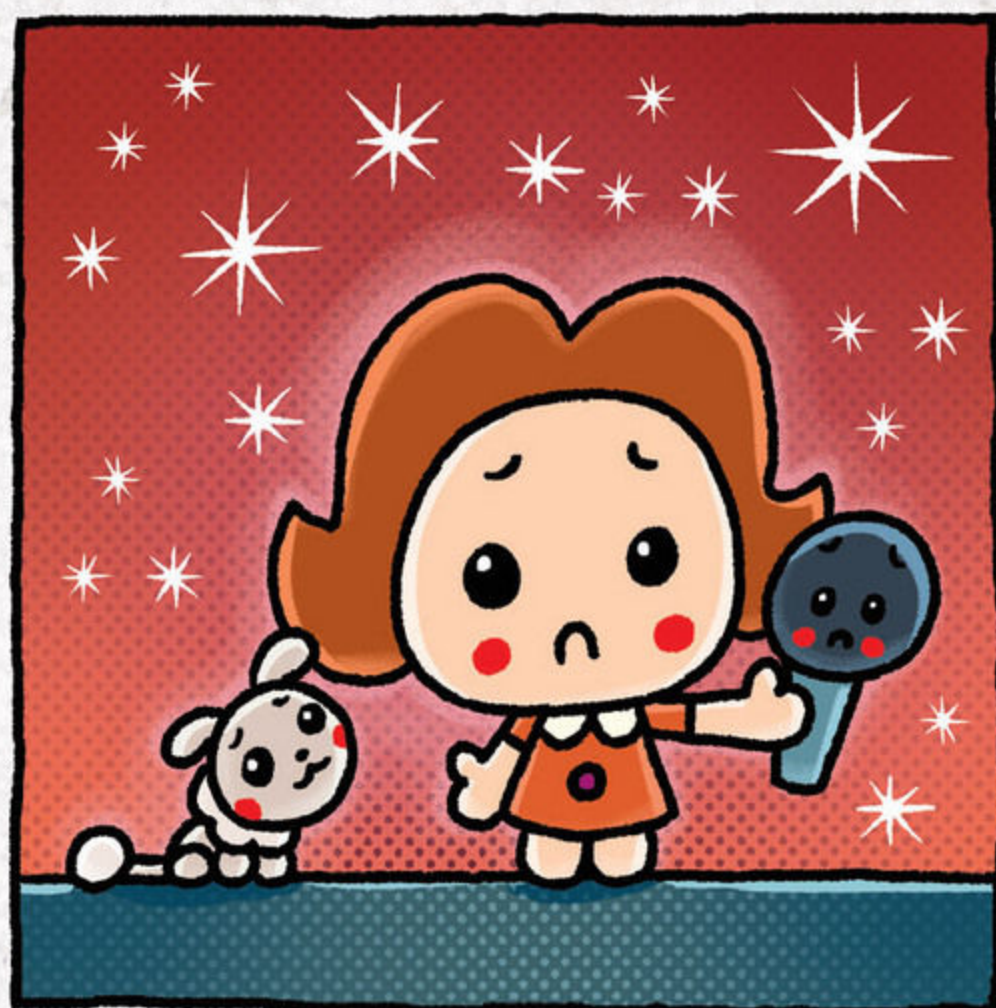
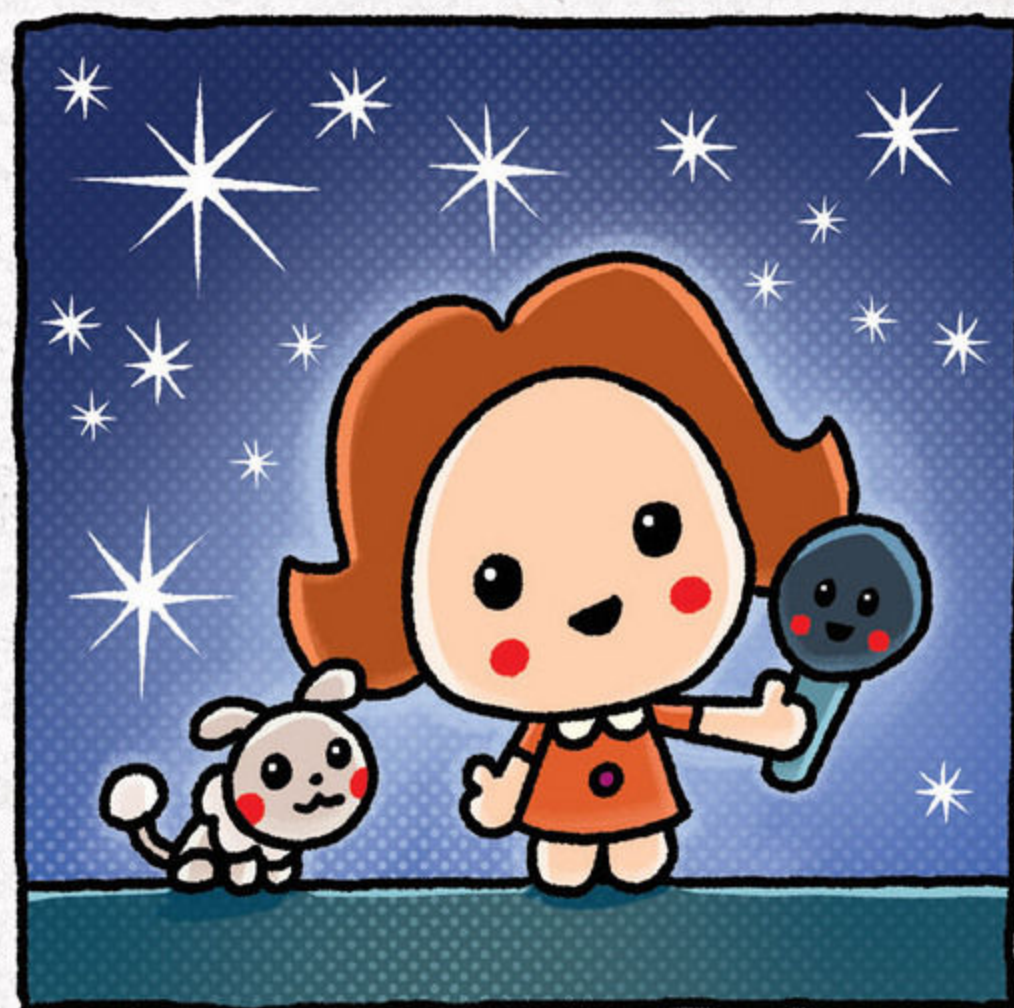
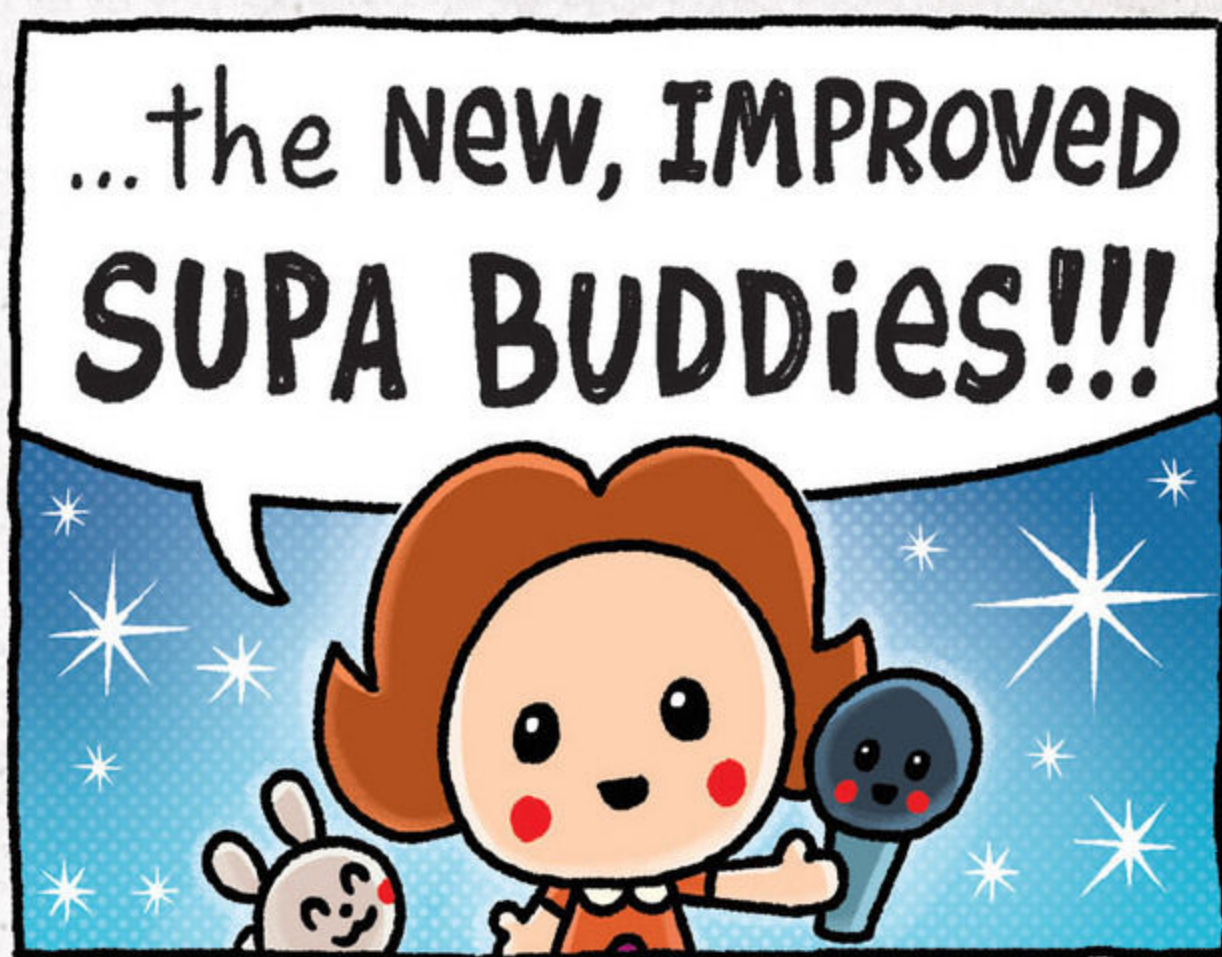
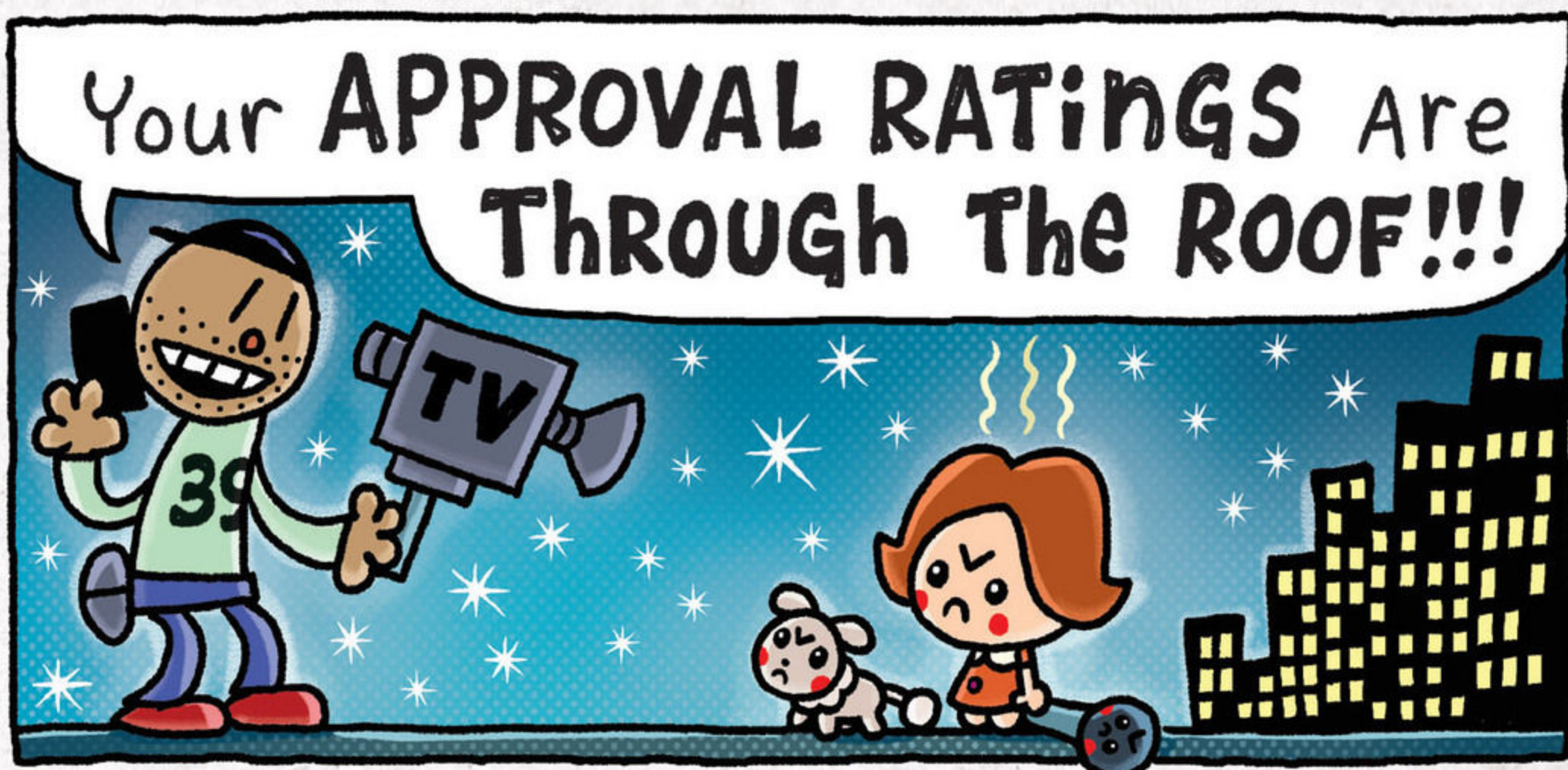


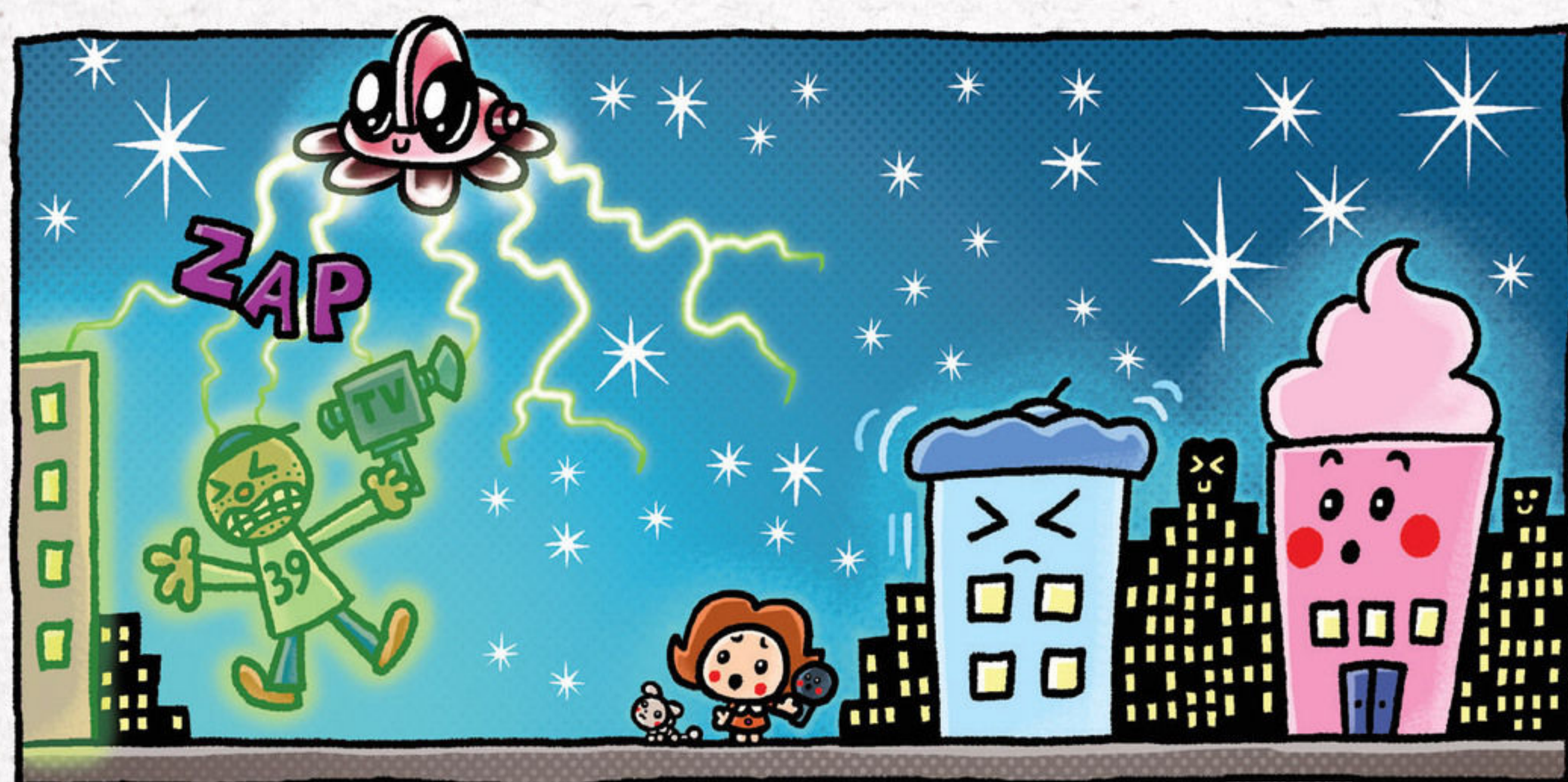
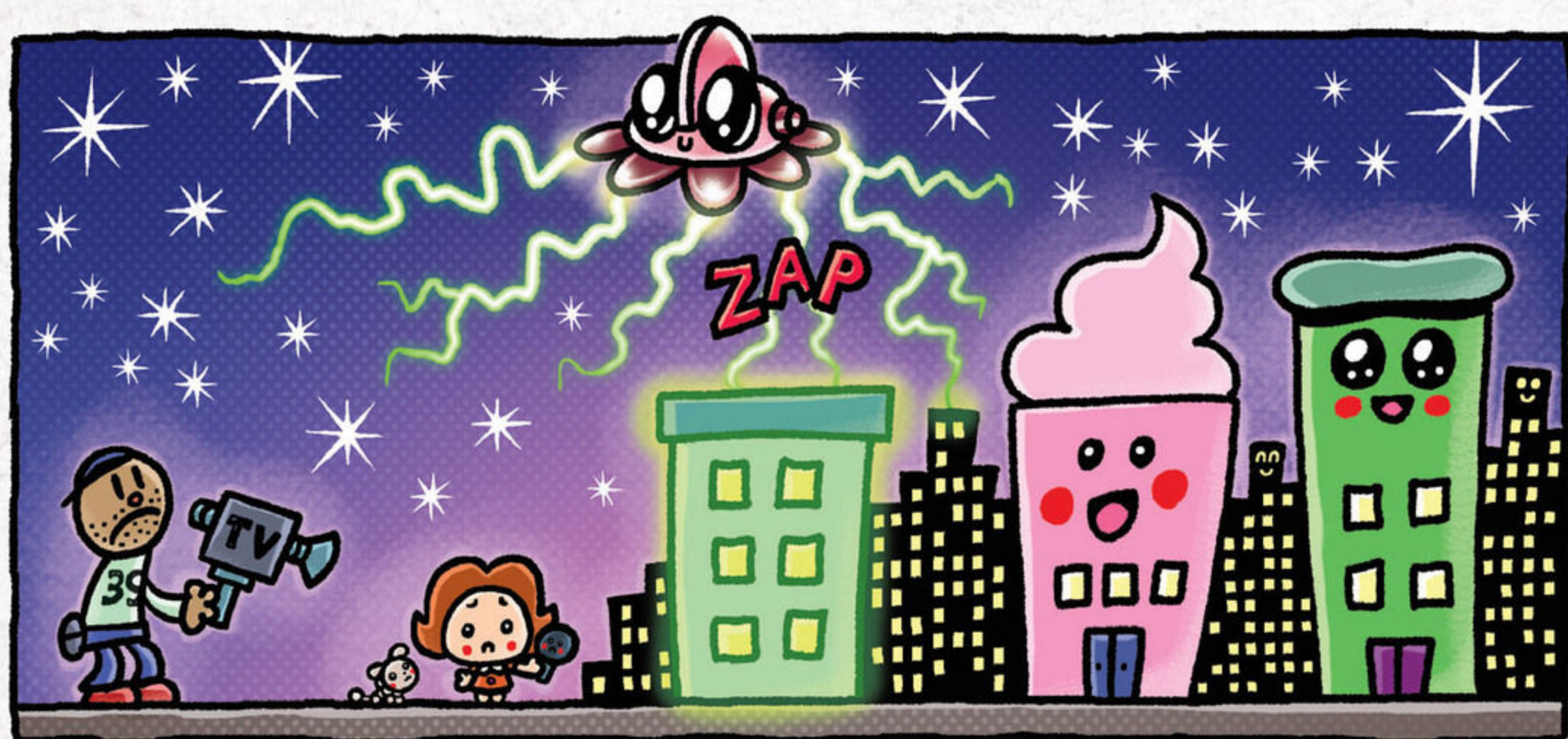
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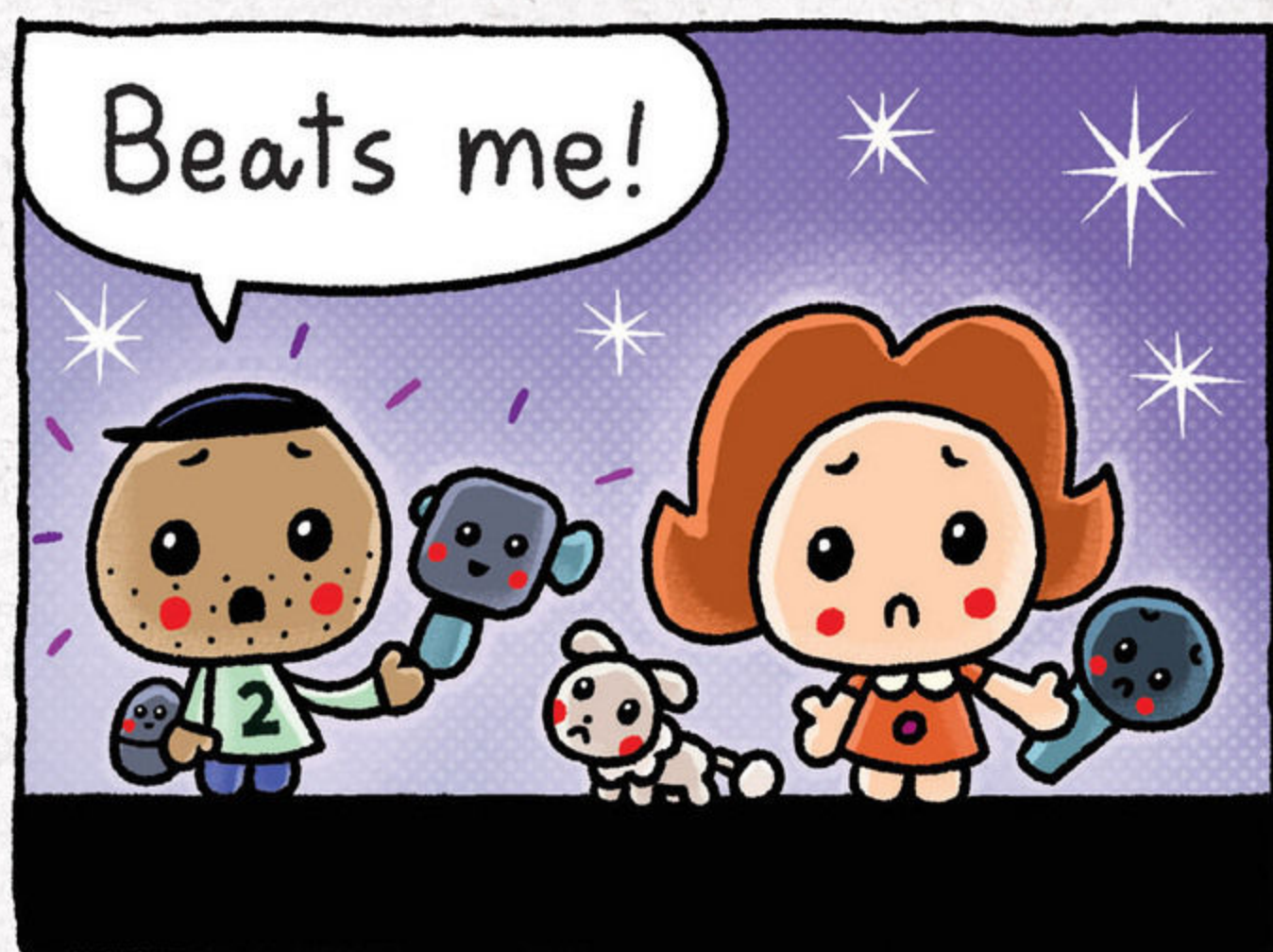
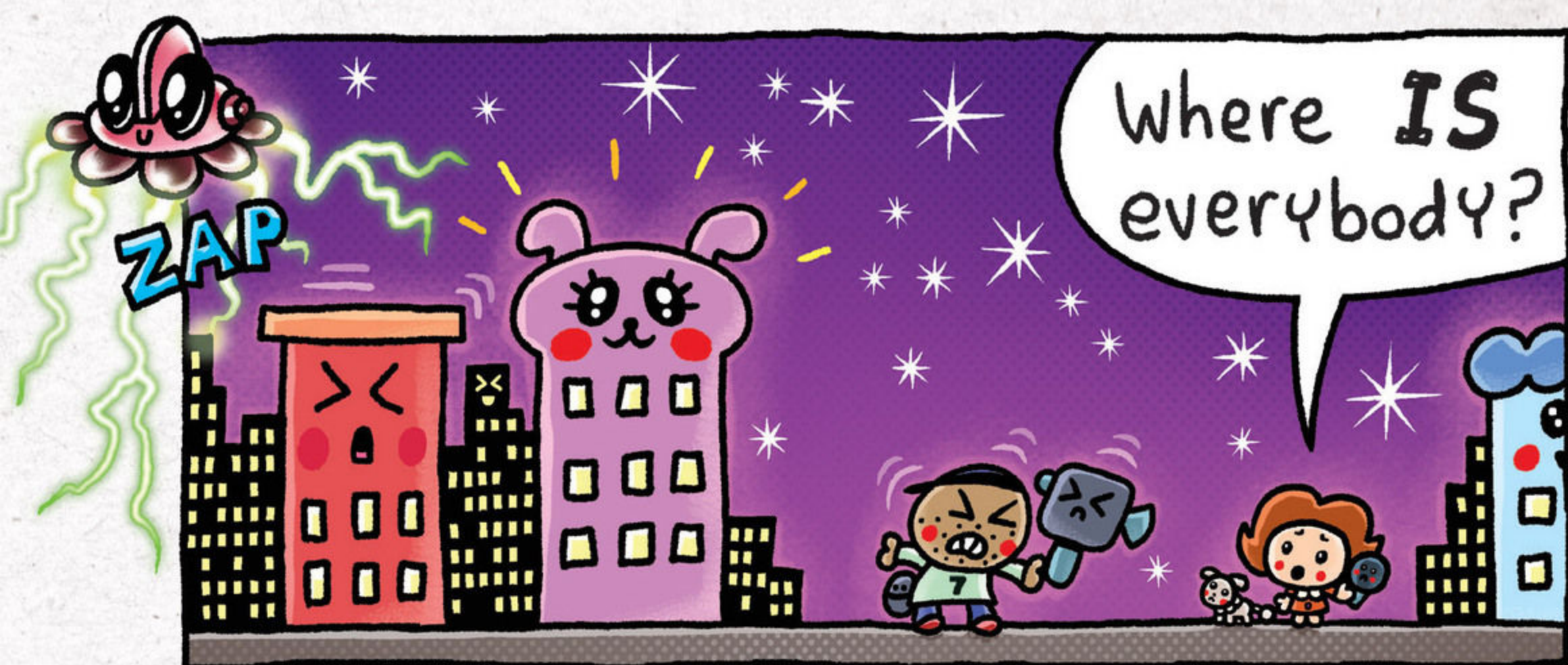
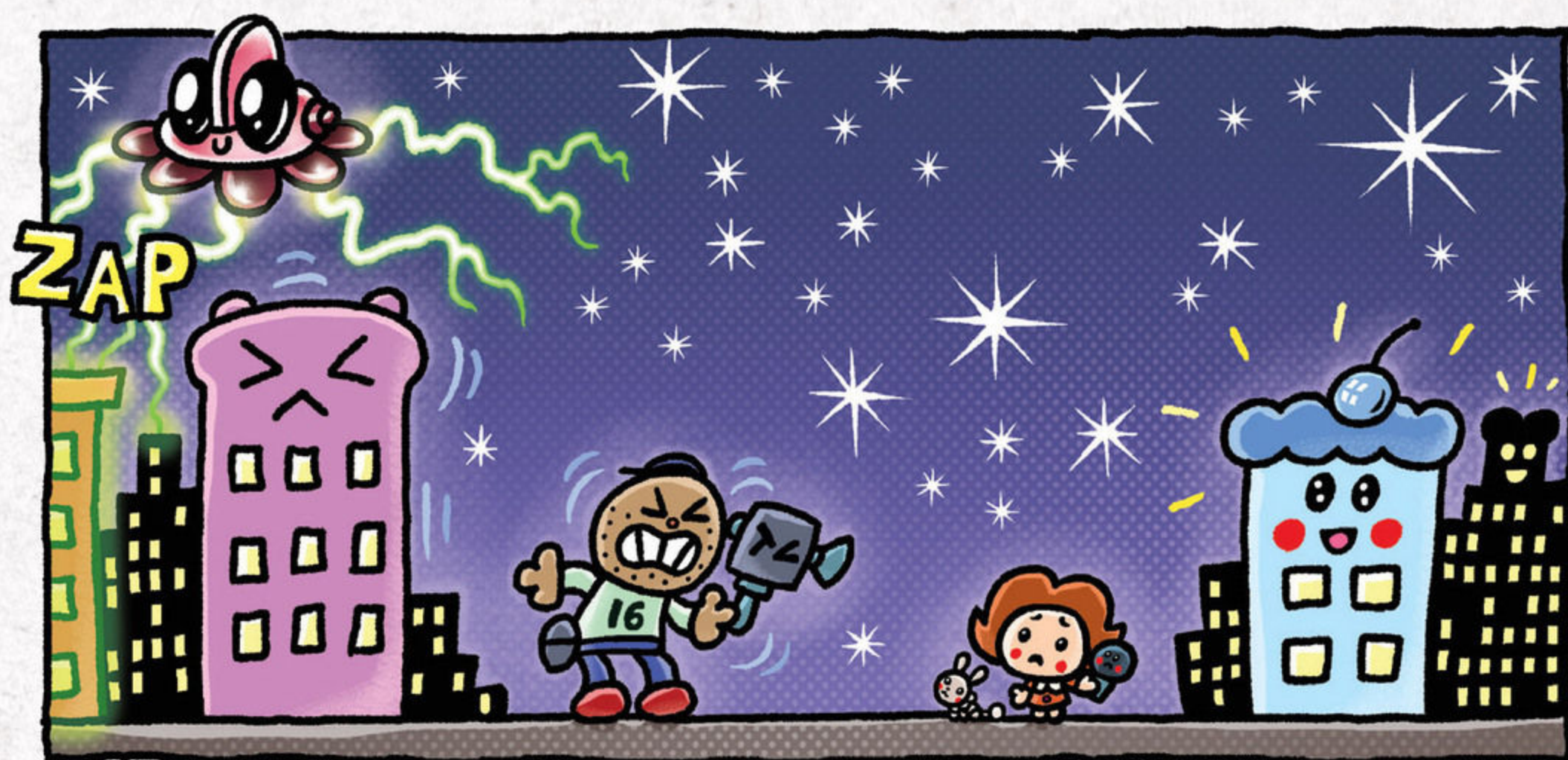


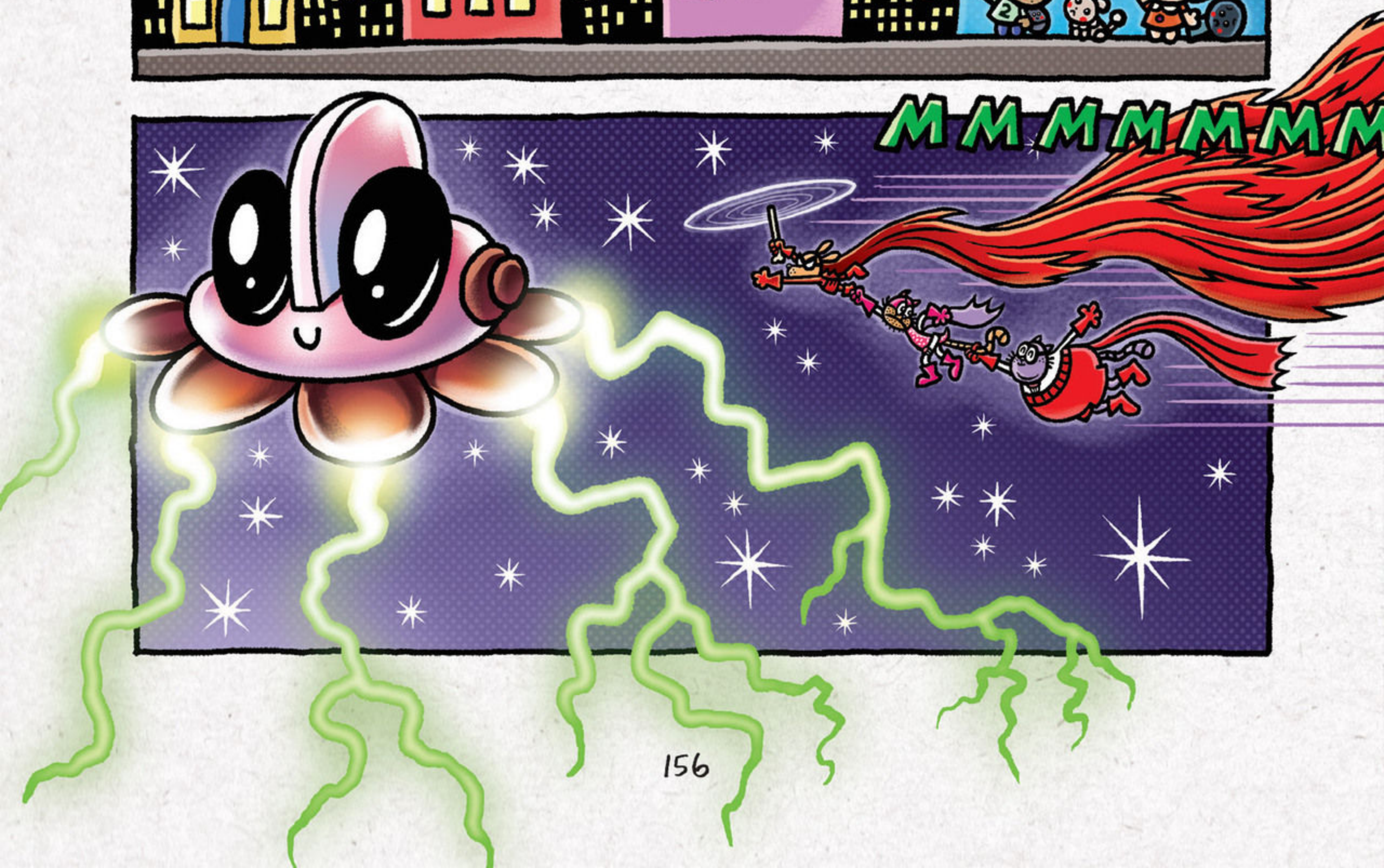
Hey, Sarah! The studio Just called!







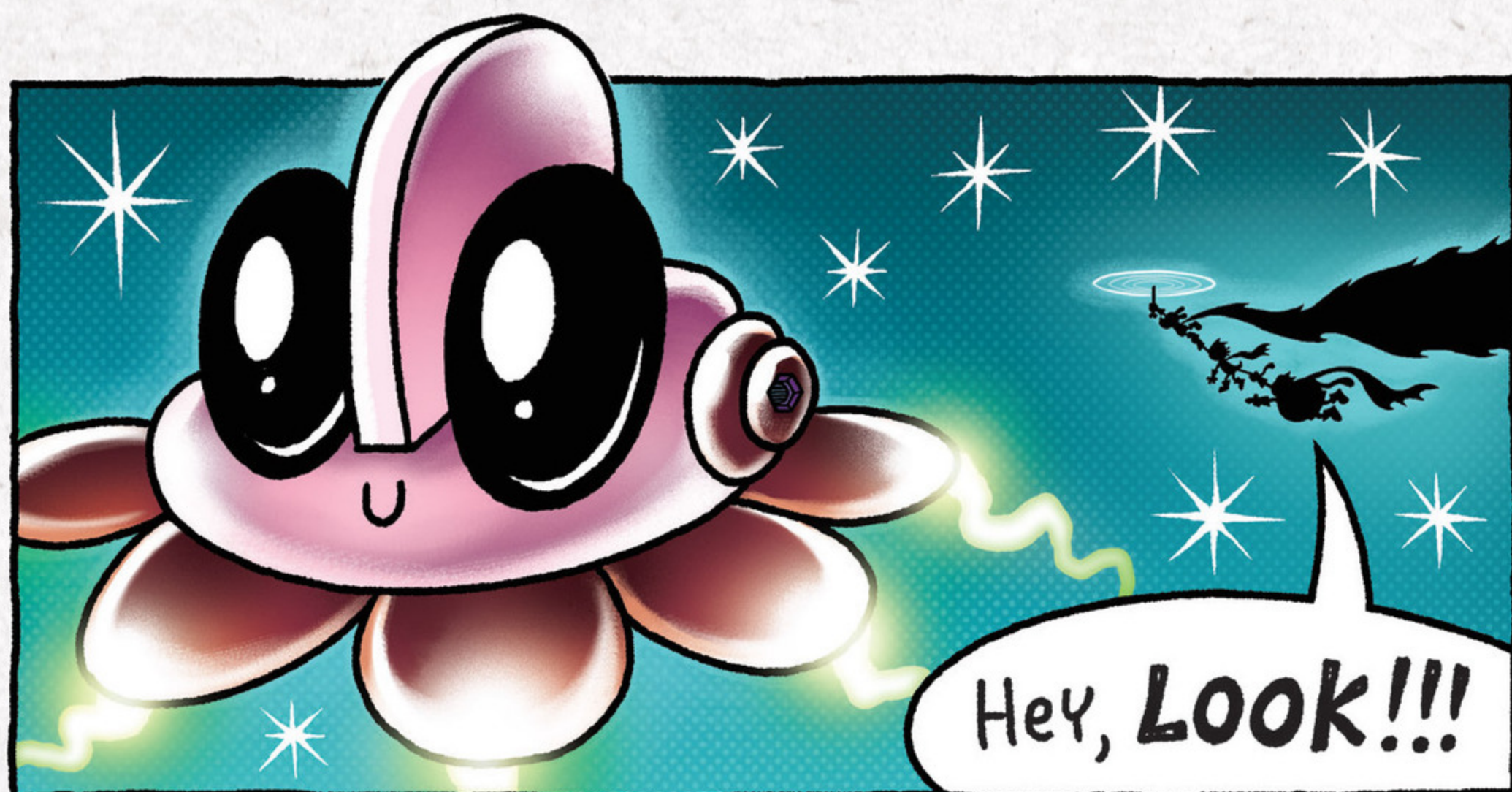


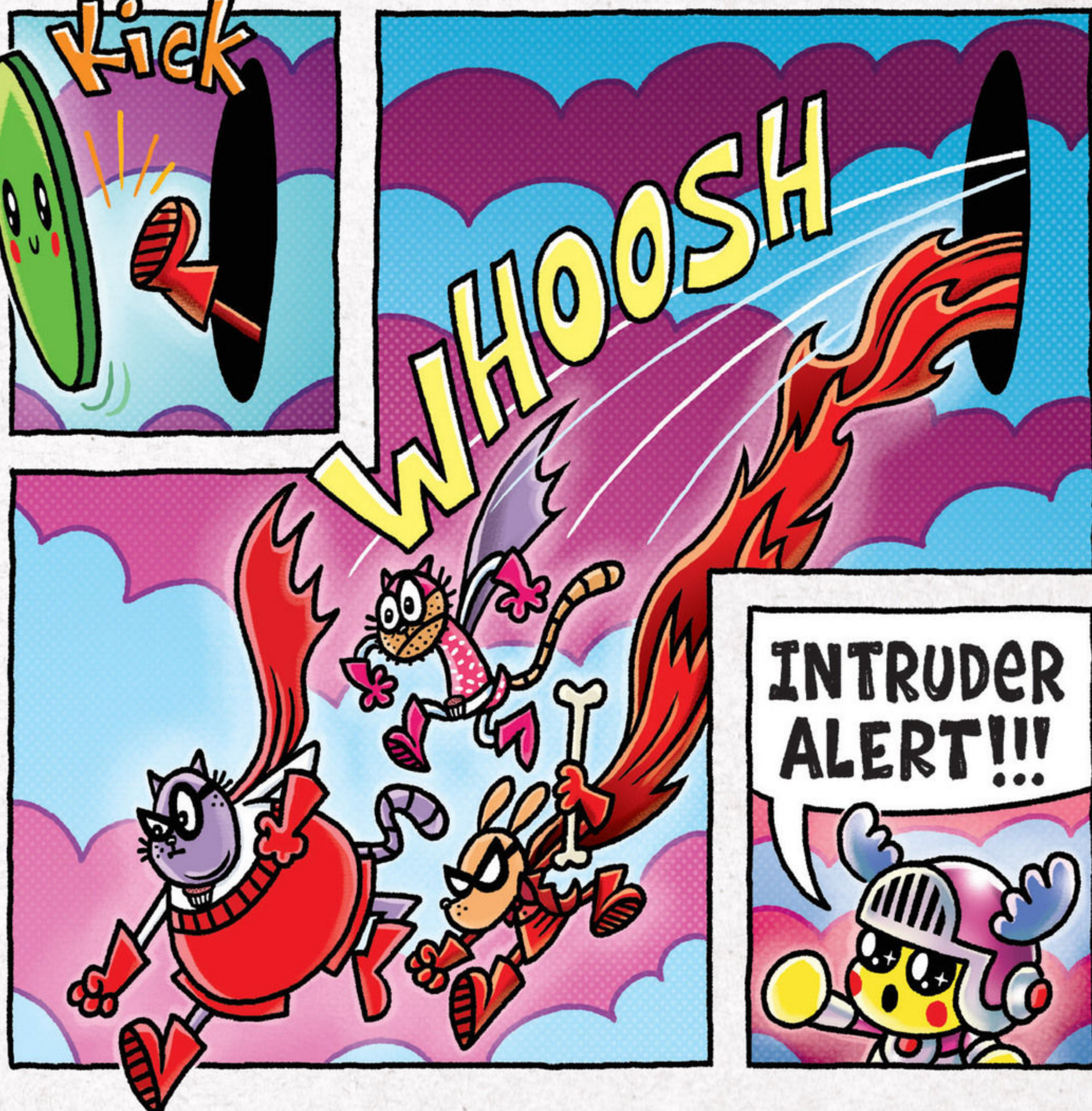
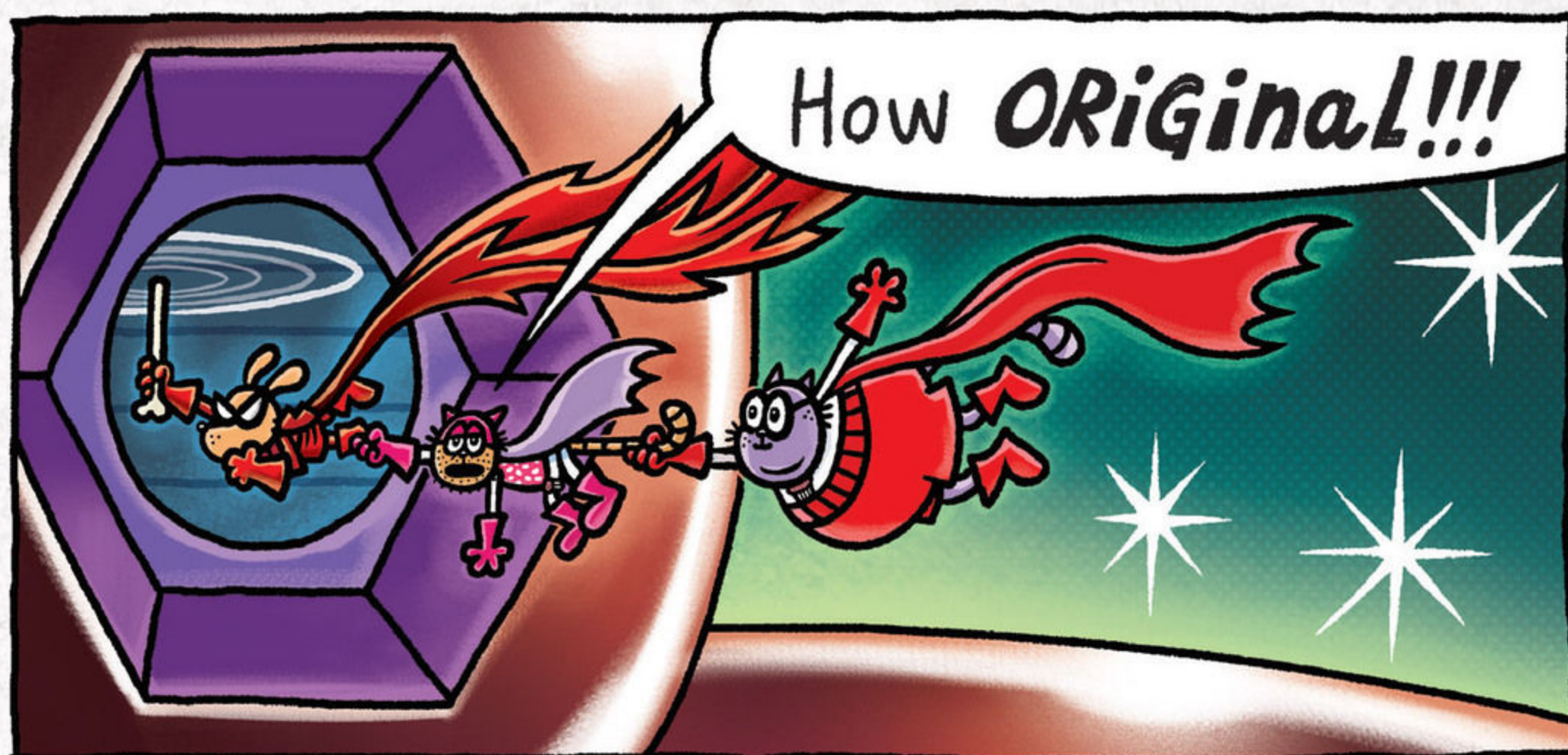


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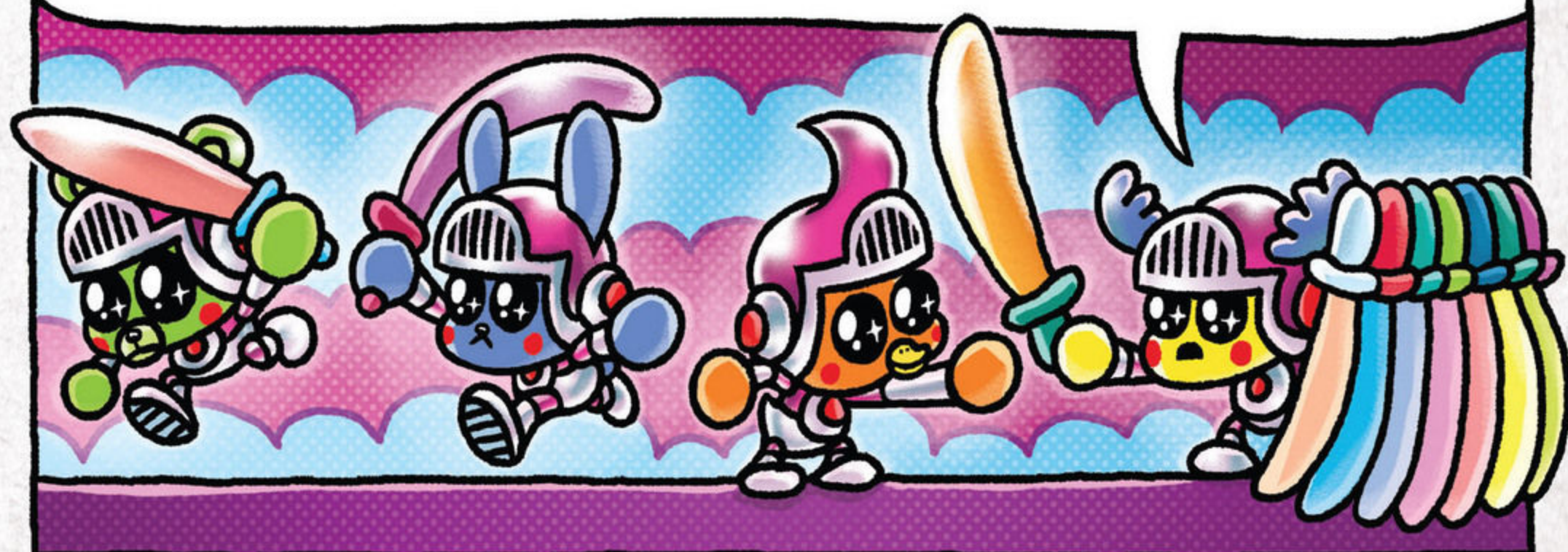
ATTACK of The SPACE CUTIES FROM SPACE







EVERYONE GRAB A SILLY SWORD!!!



Defend The SHIP
AT ALL COSTS!!!



Silly
Swords?



OOOH! I'm
so scared!!!



SWOOSH
E-RAMA

READY?

FLiP-E-RAMA

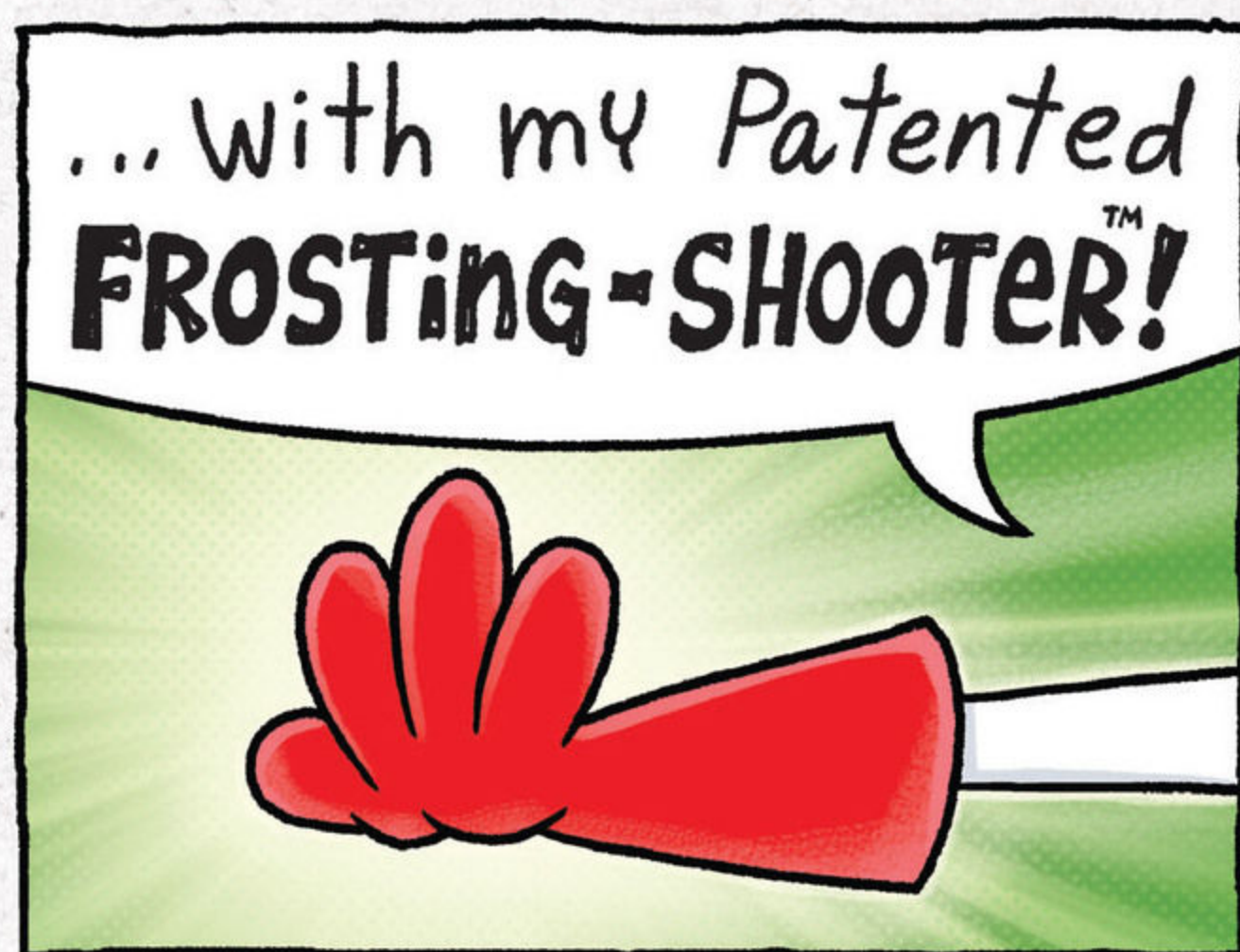


SILLY SMACKDOWN

FLiP-E-RAMA



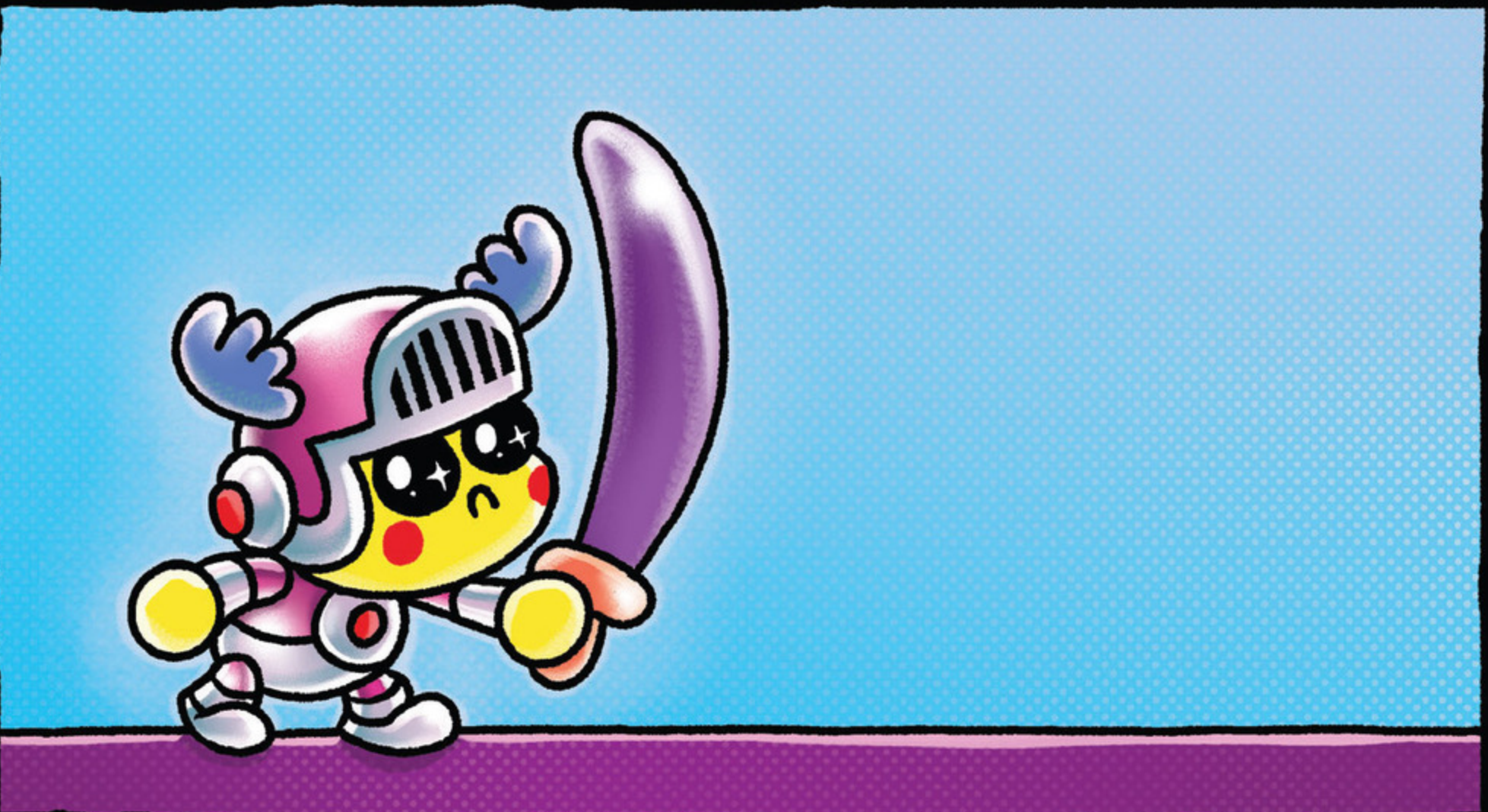
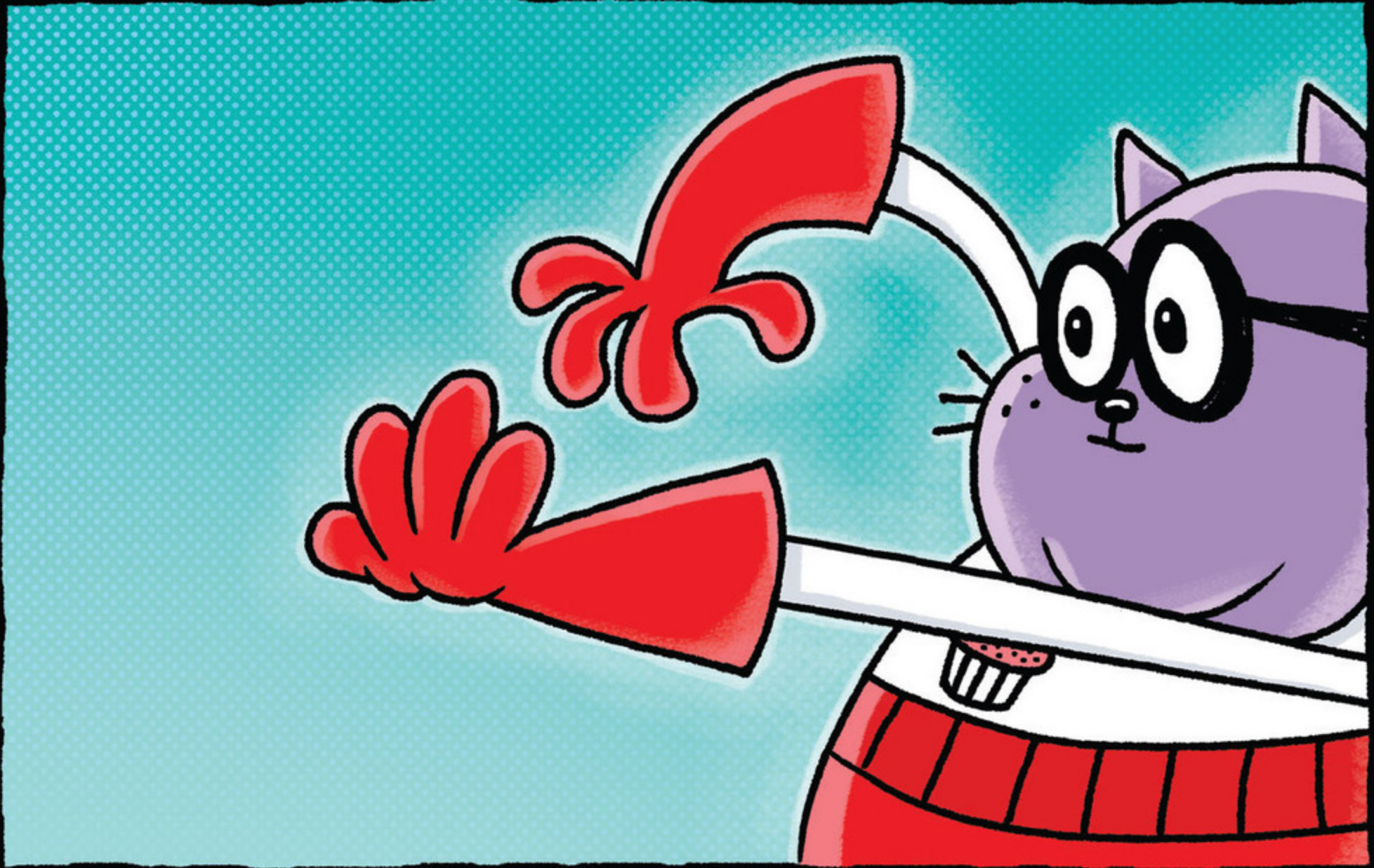
SILLY SMACKDOWN



**GIMME
SOME
SUGAR,
BABY!**

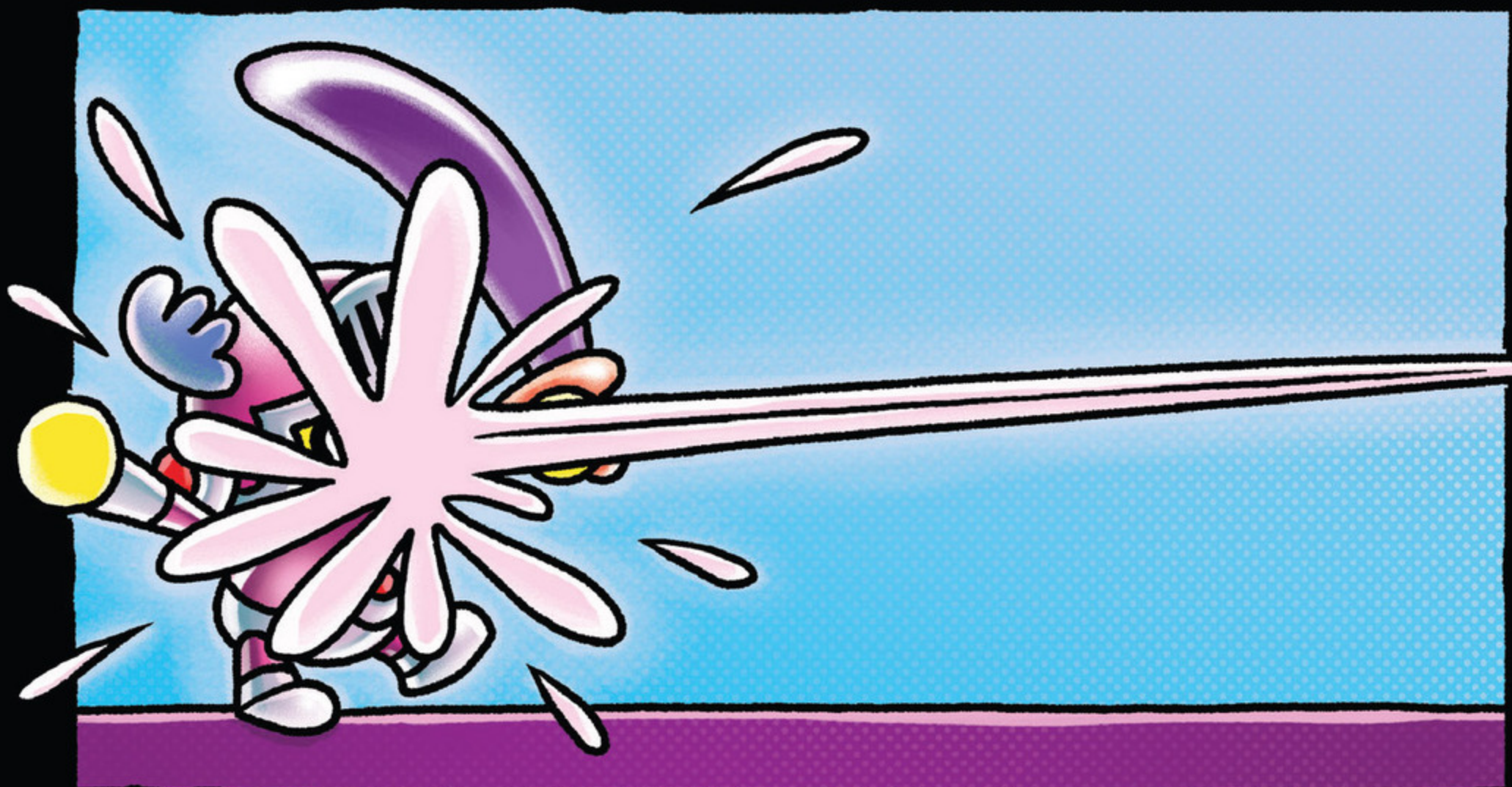
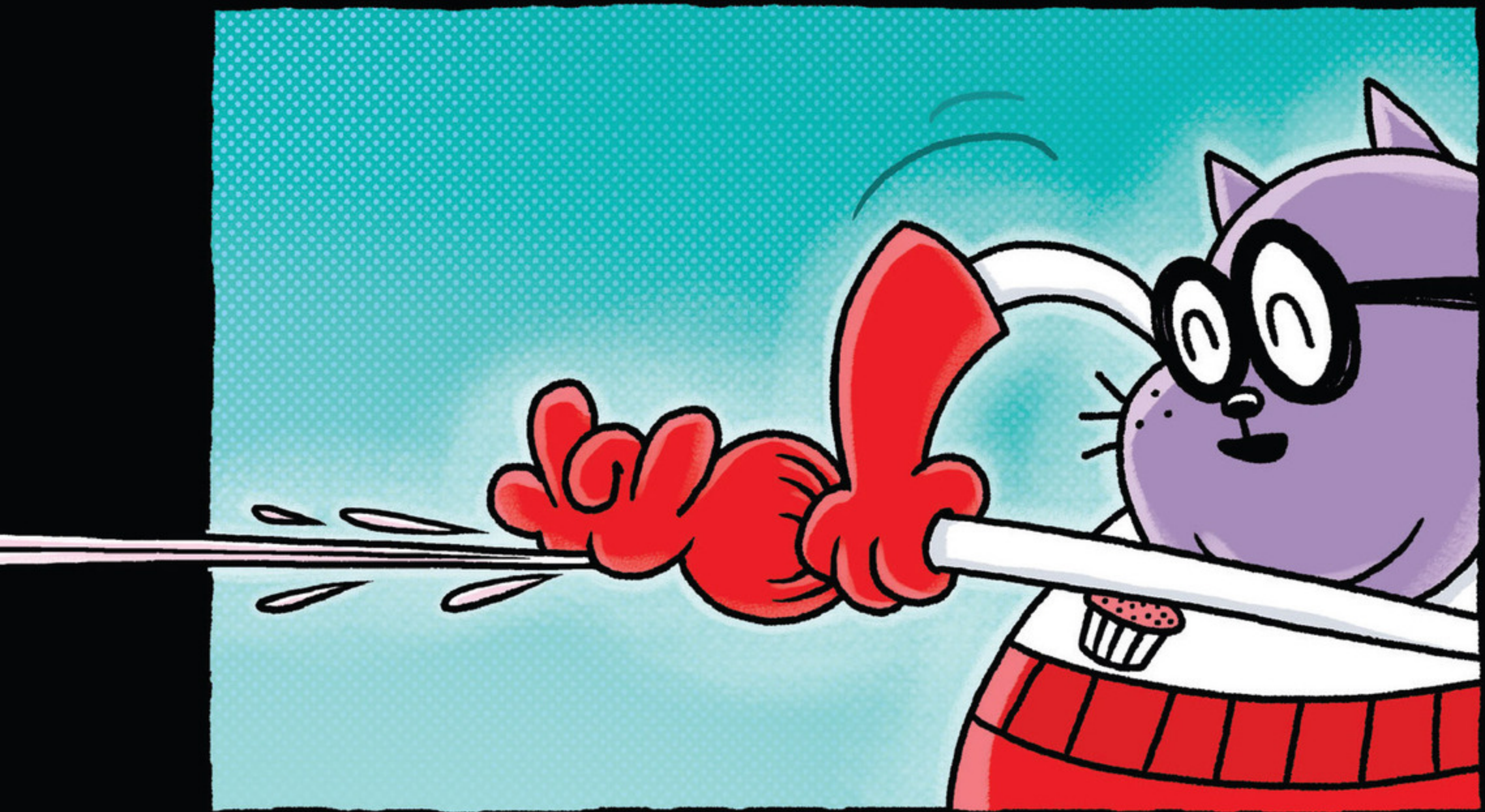
READY?

FLiP-E-RAMA



YOU GOT FROSTED!

FLiP-E-RAMA



YOU GOT FROSTED!

You've had **FROSTING** in Your
GLOVES This **WHOLE TIME?!?!**



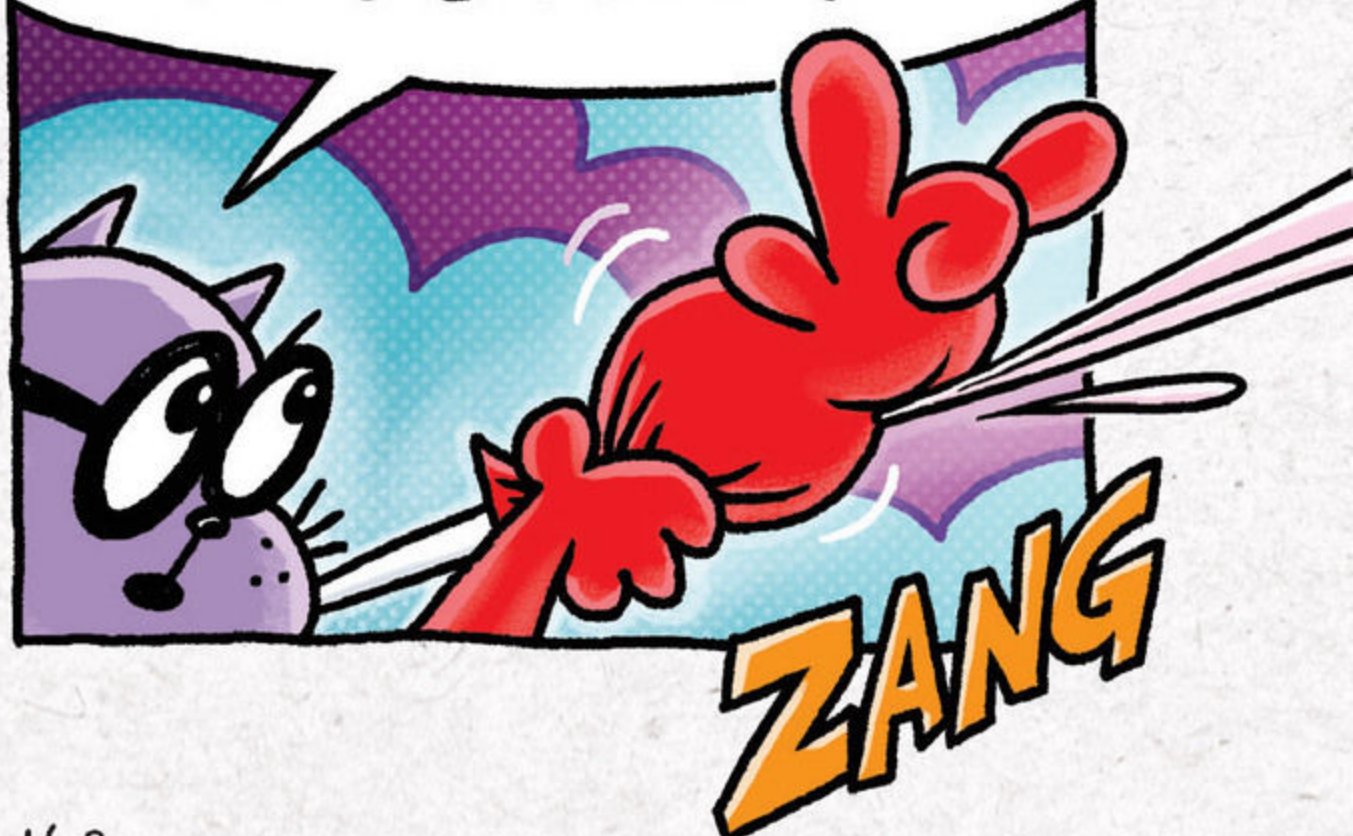
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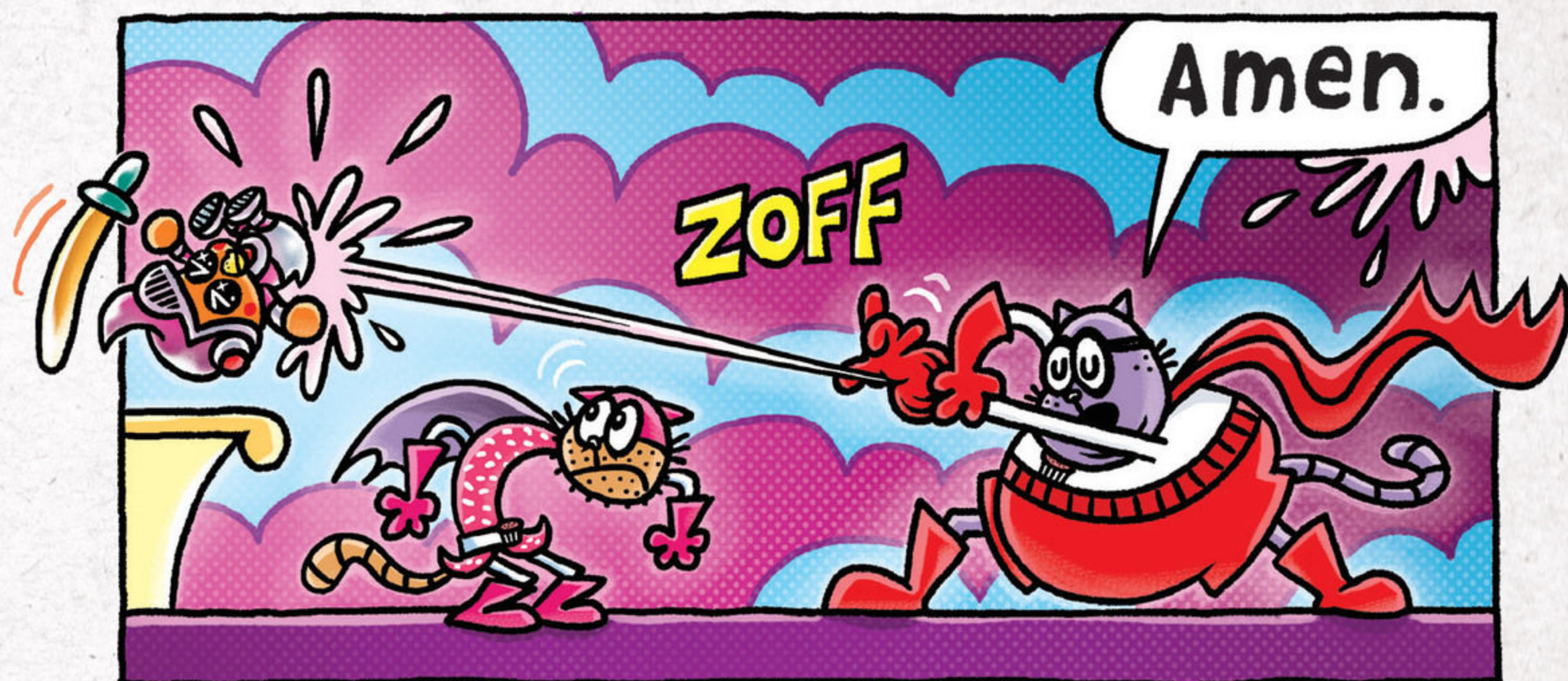
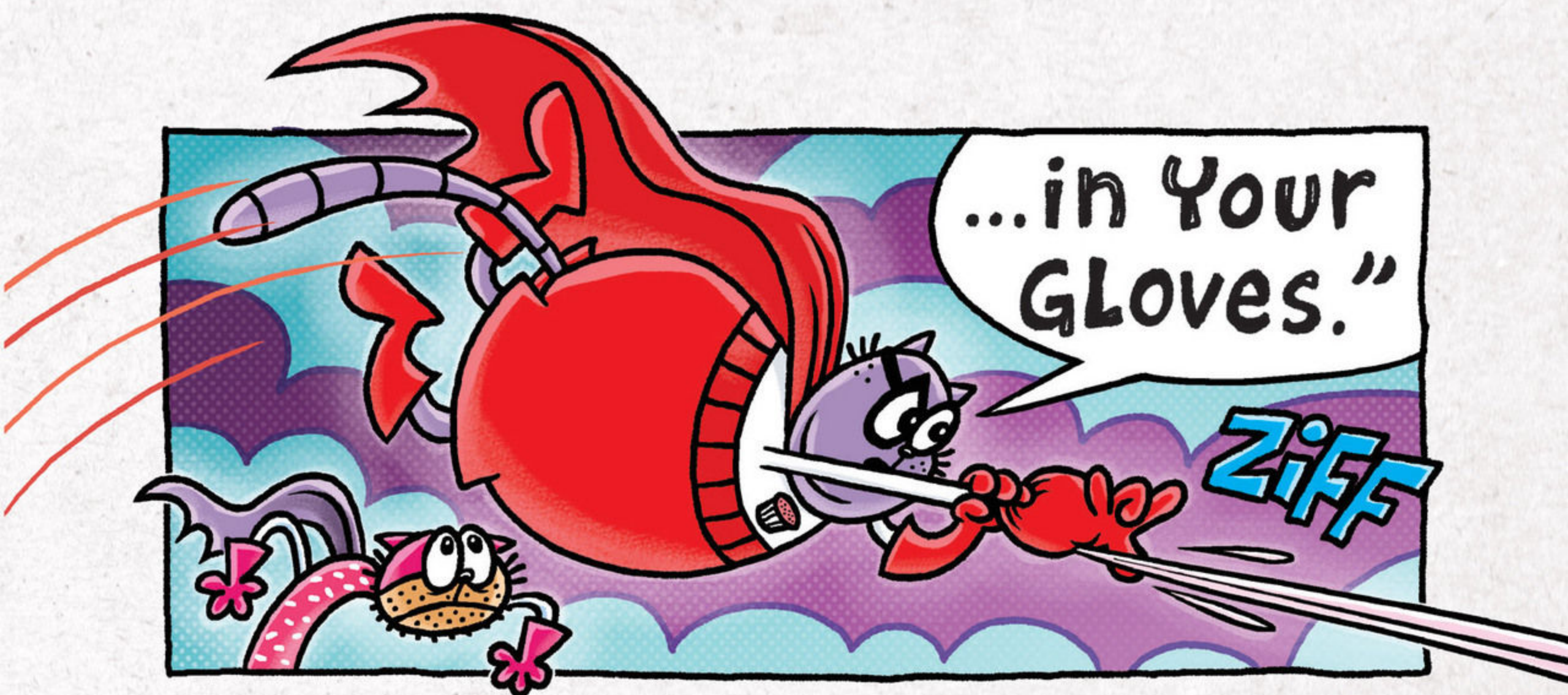


"With Great
Power...

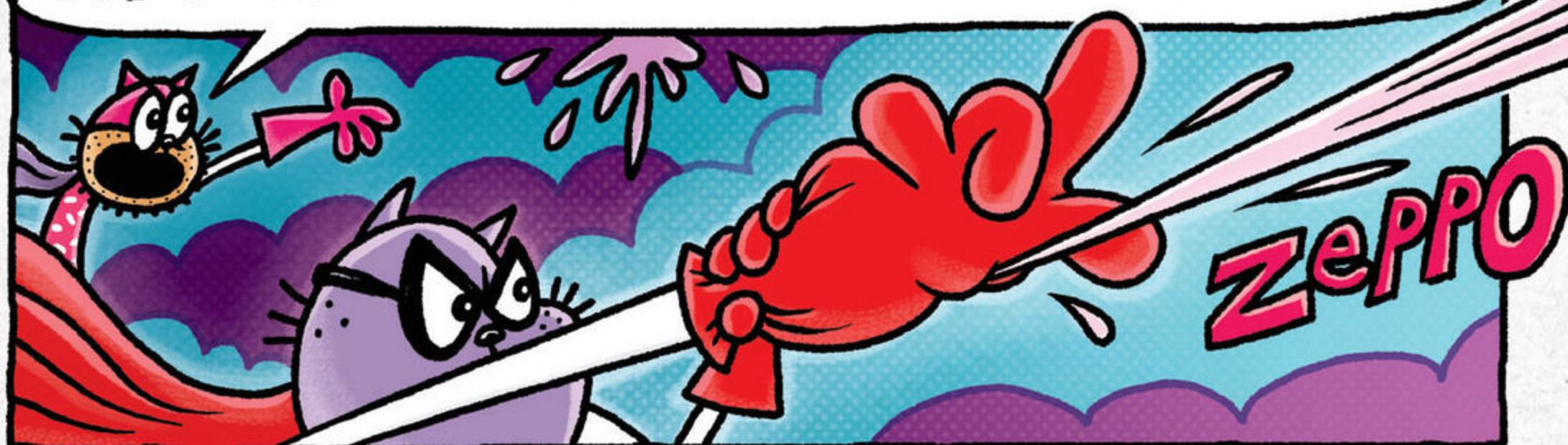


...COMES GREAT
Frosting...





We can't fight off a **WHOLE ARMY** of **SPACE WEIRDOS!!!**



There's only **TWO** of us!!!



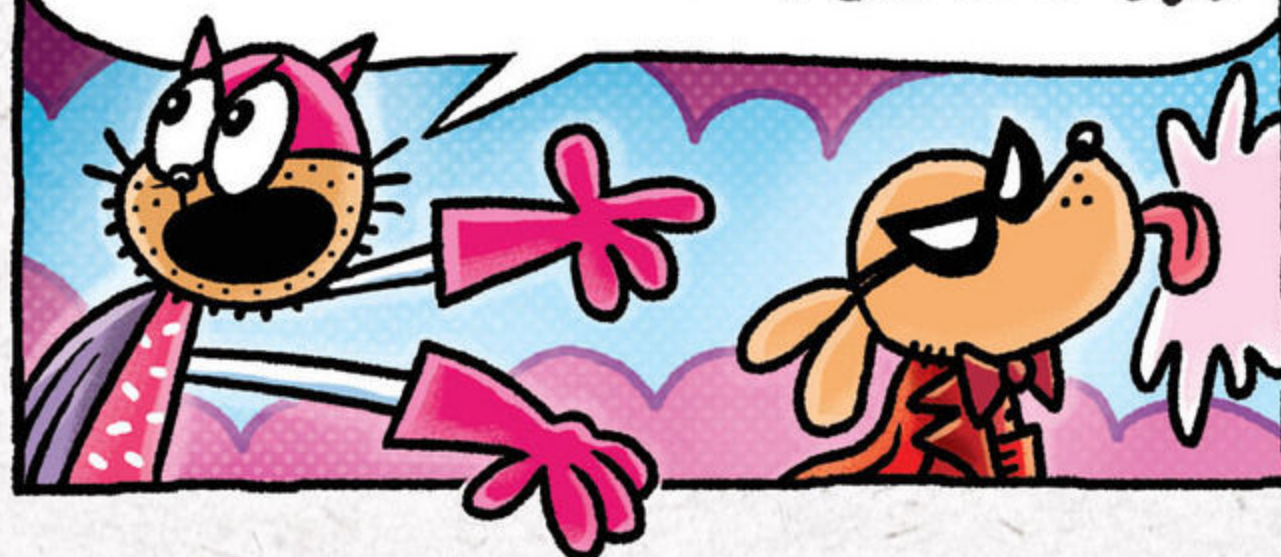
Don't forget **DOG MAN!!!**

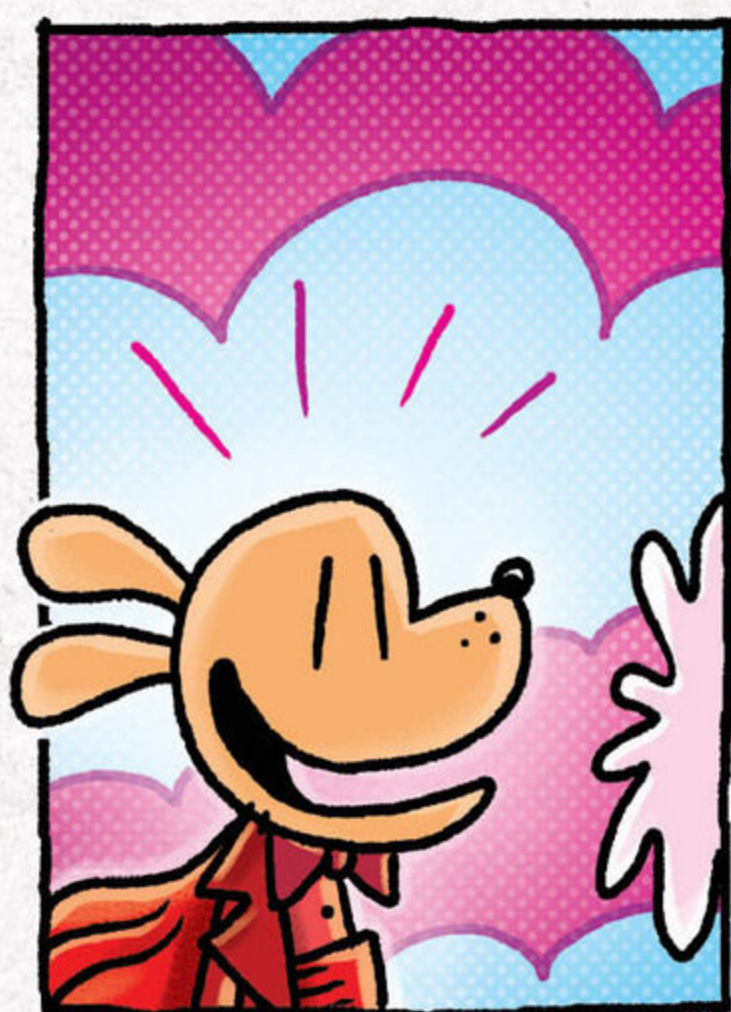


He's **NOT** **HELPING!!**

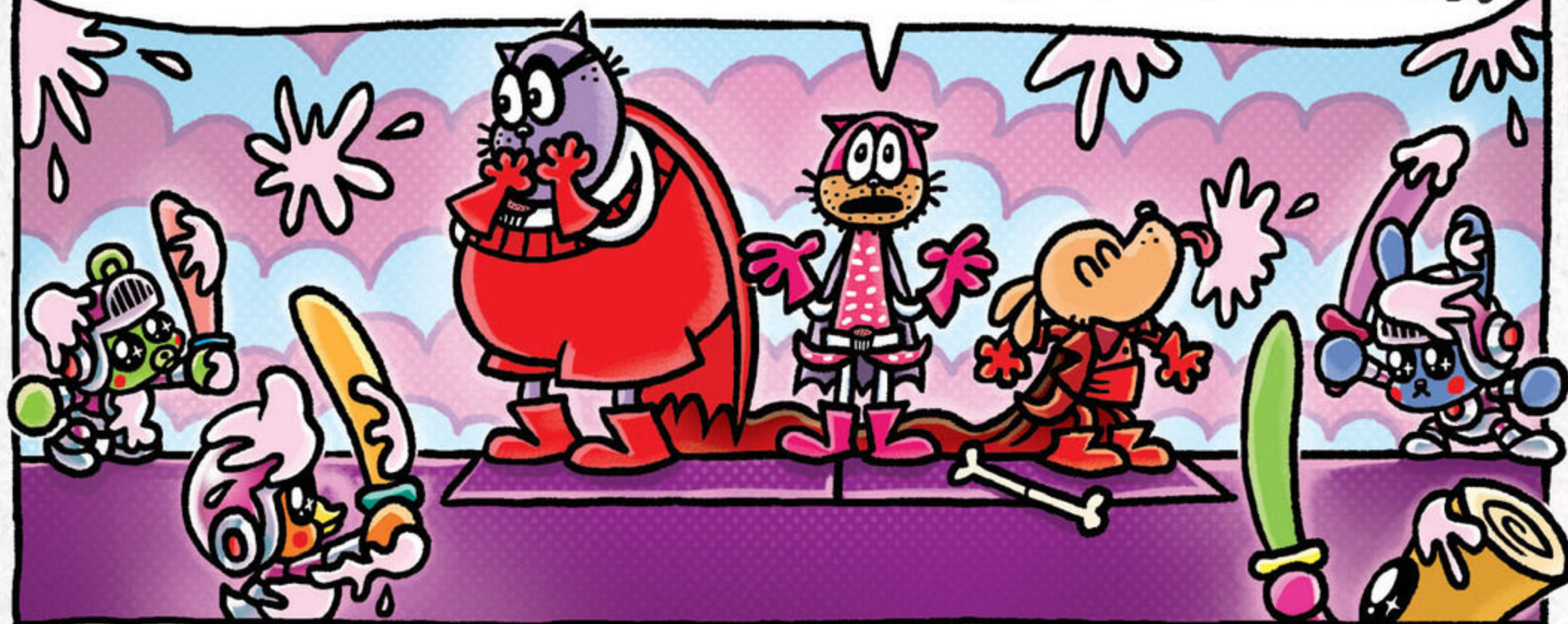


All **He's** doing is **LICKING FROSTING** off the **WALLS!!!**

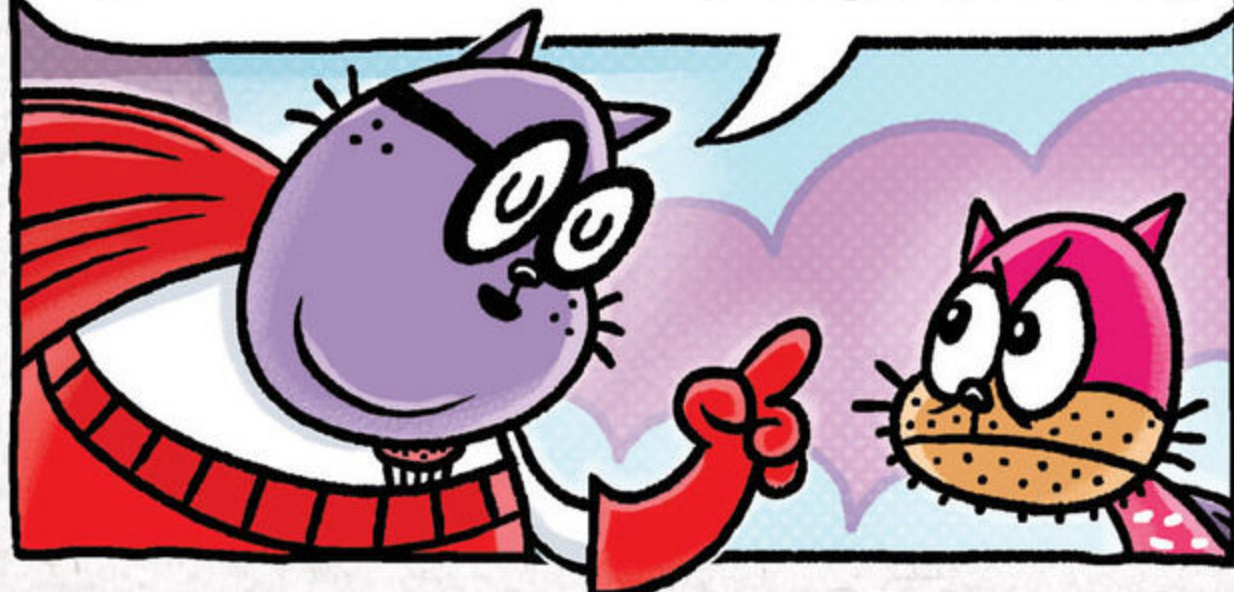




Let's face it--- We're **DOOMED!!!**



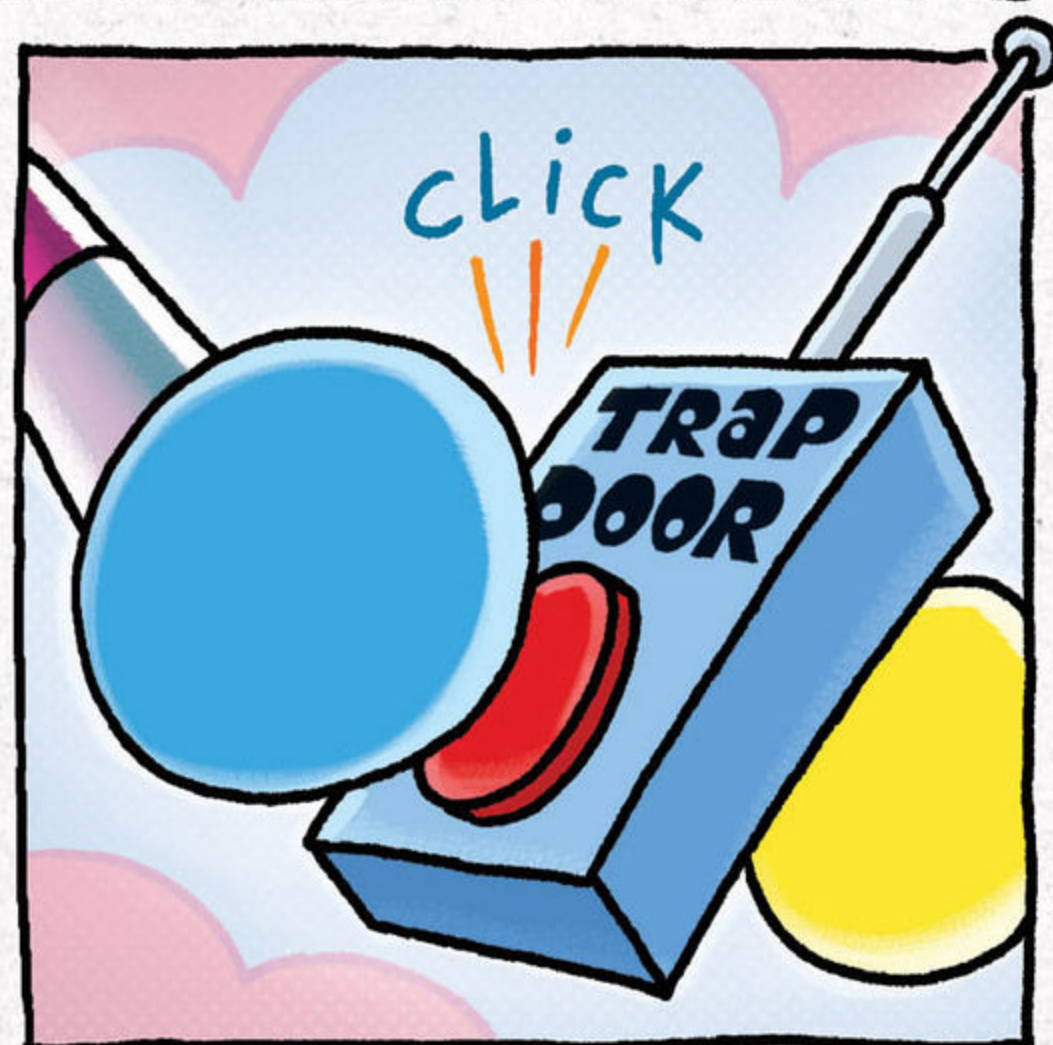
Remember, Sprinkles,
We must be **Positive!**



Okay, we're
**Positively
DOOMED!!!**



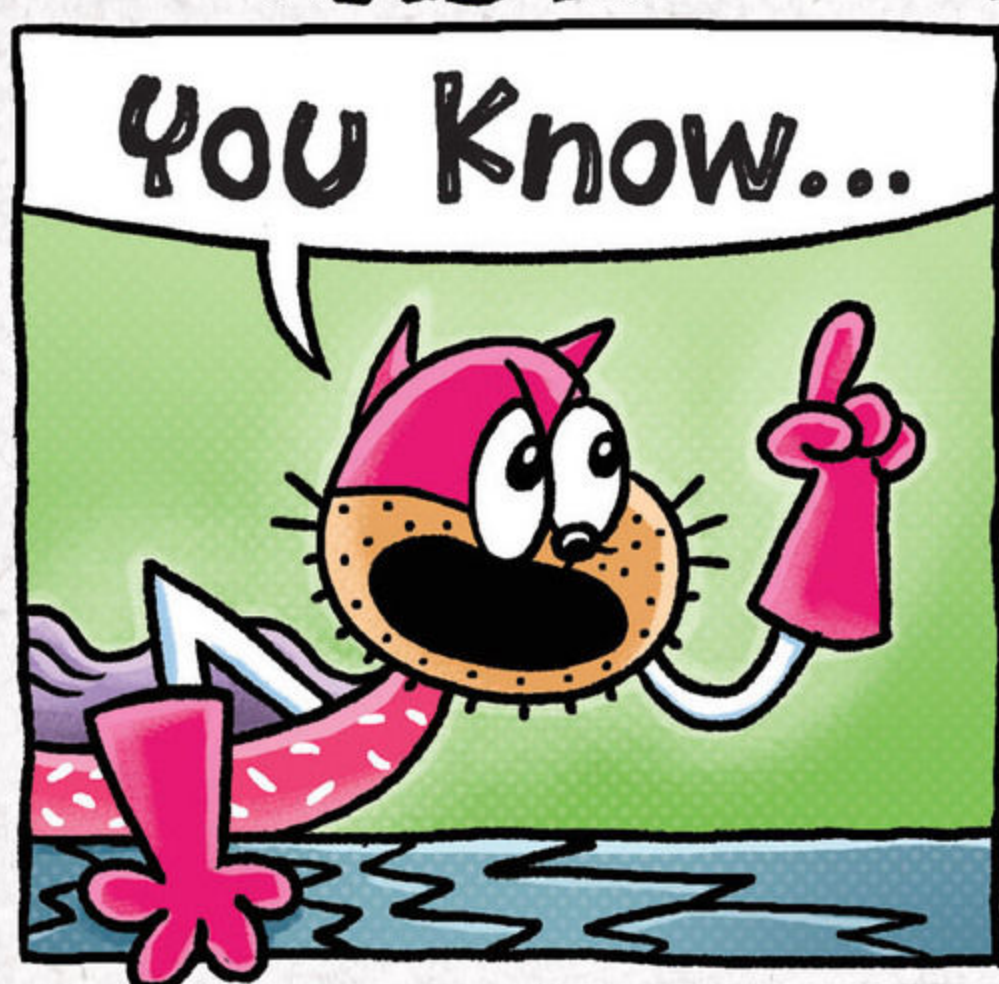
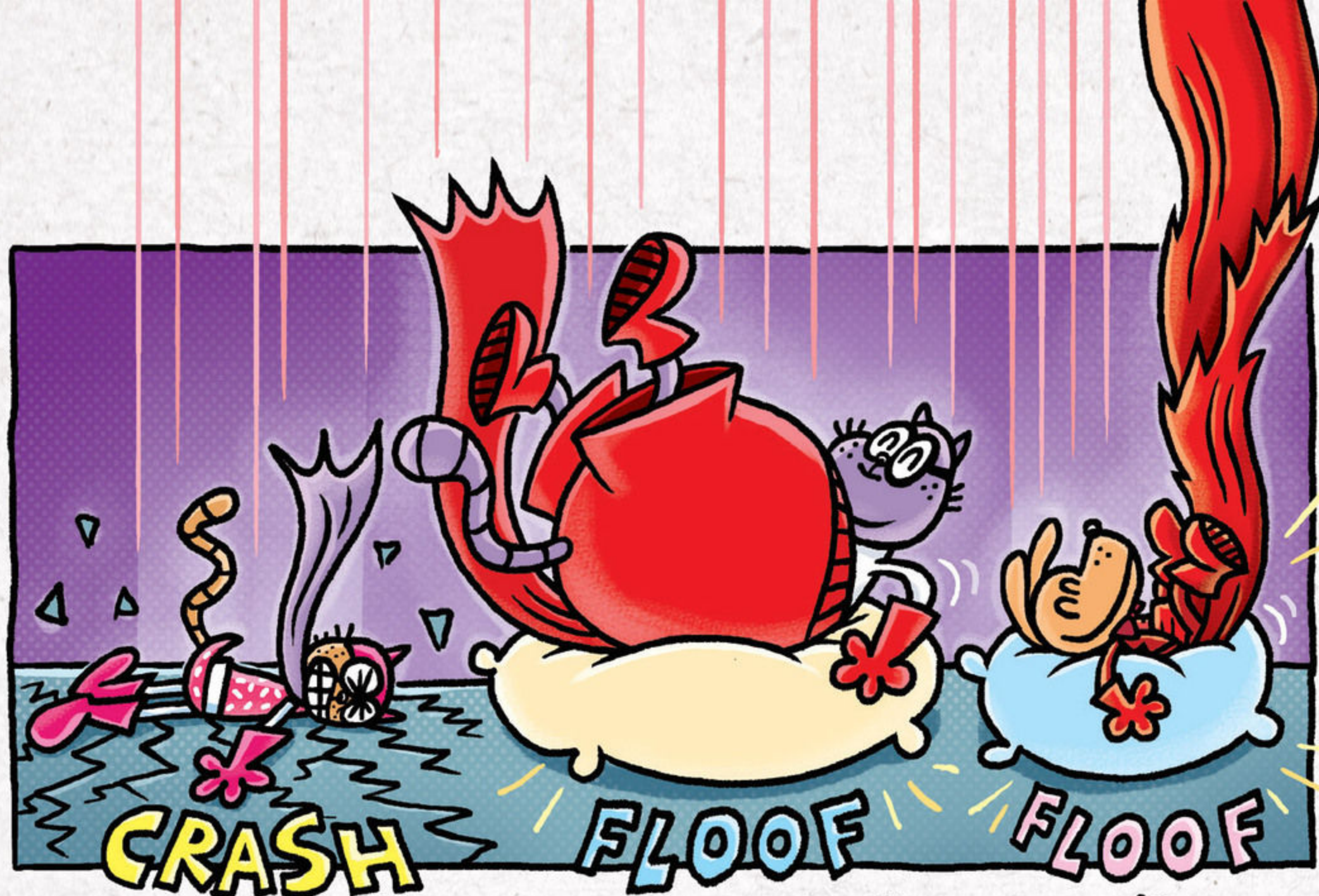
You can say
THAT AGAIN!!!

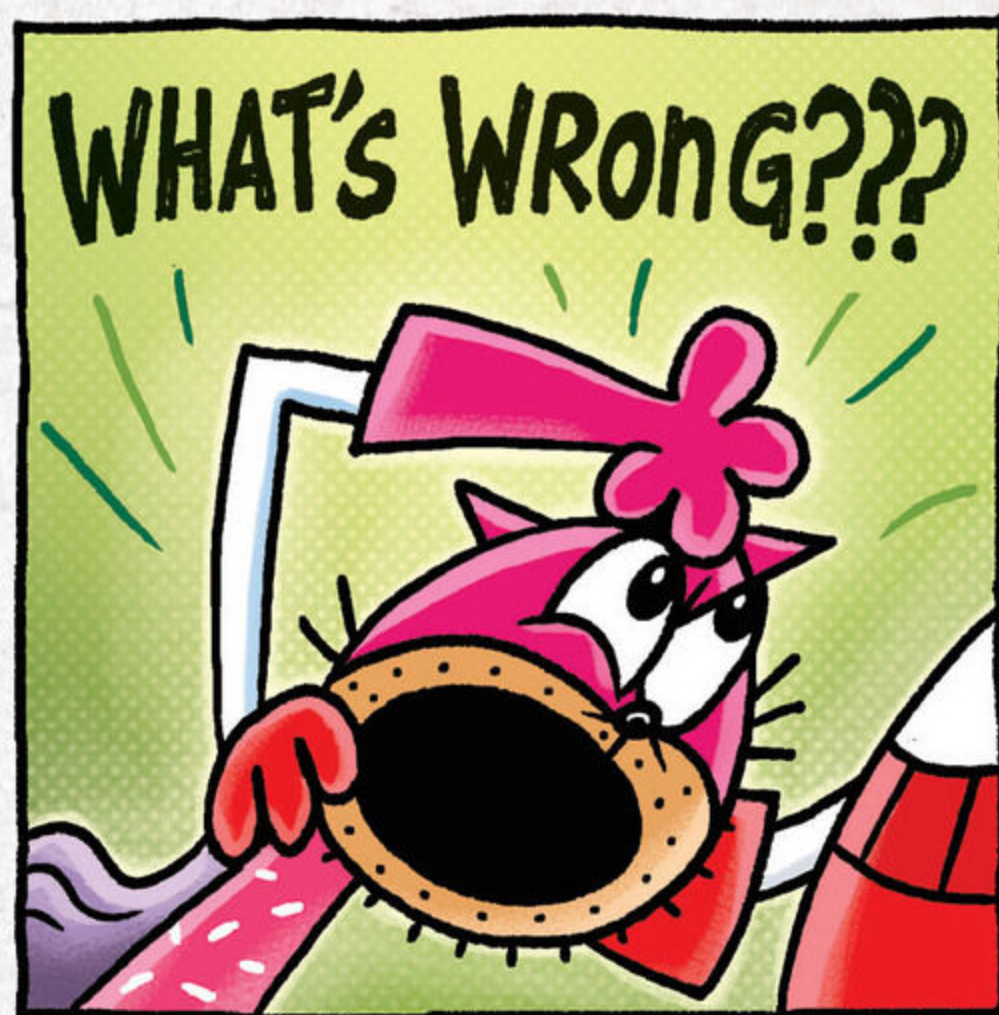
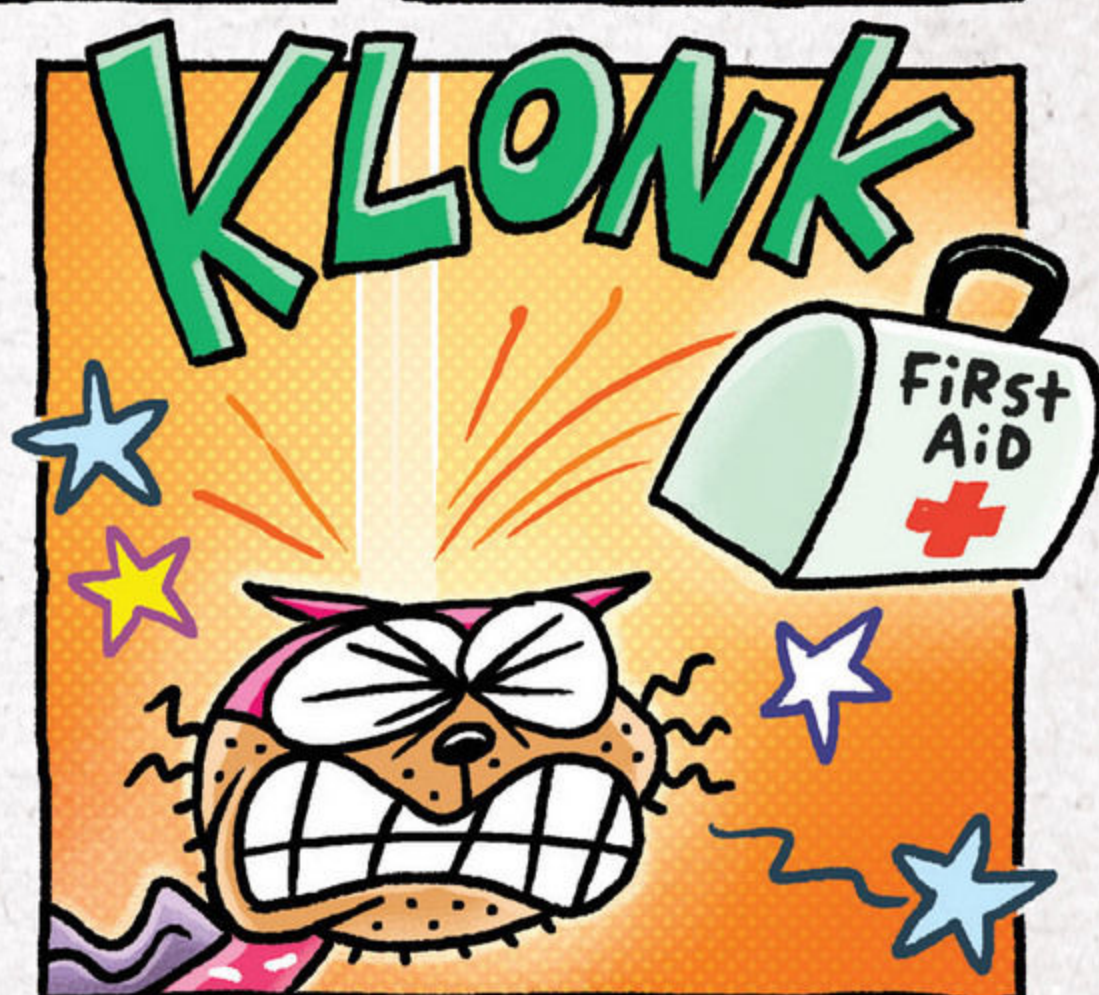


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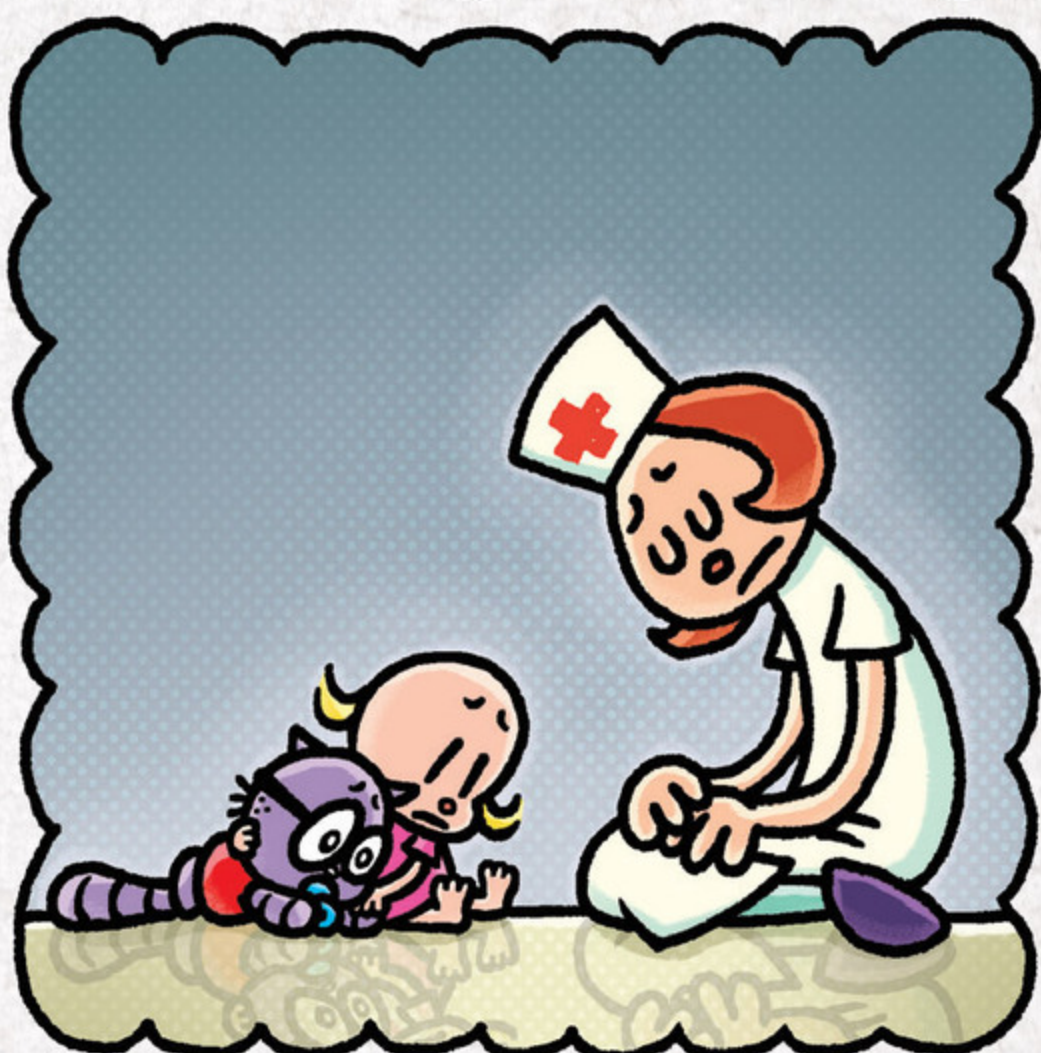
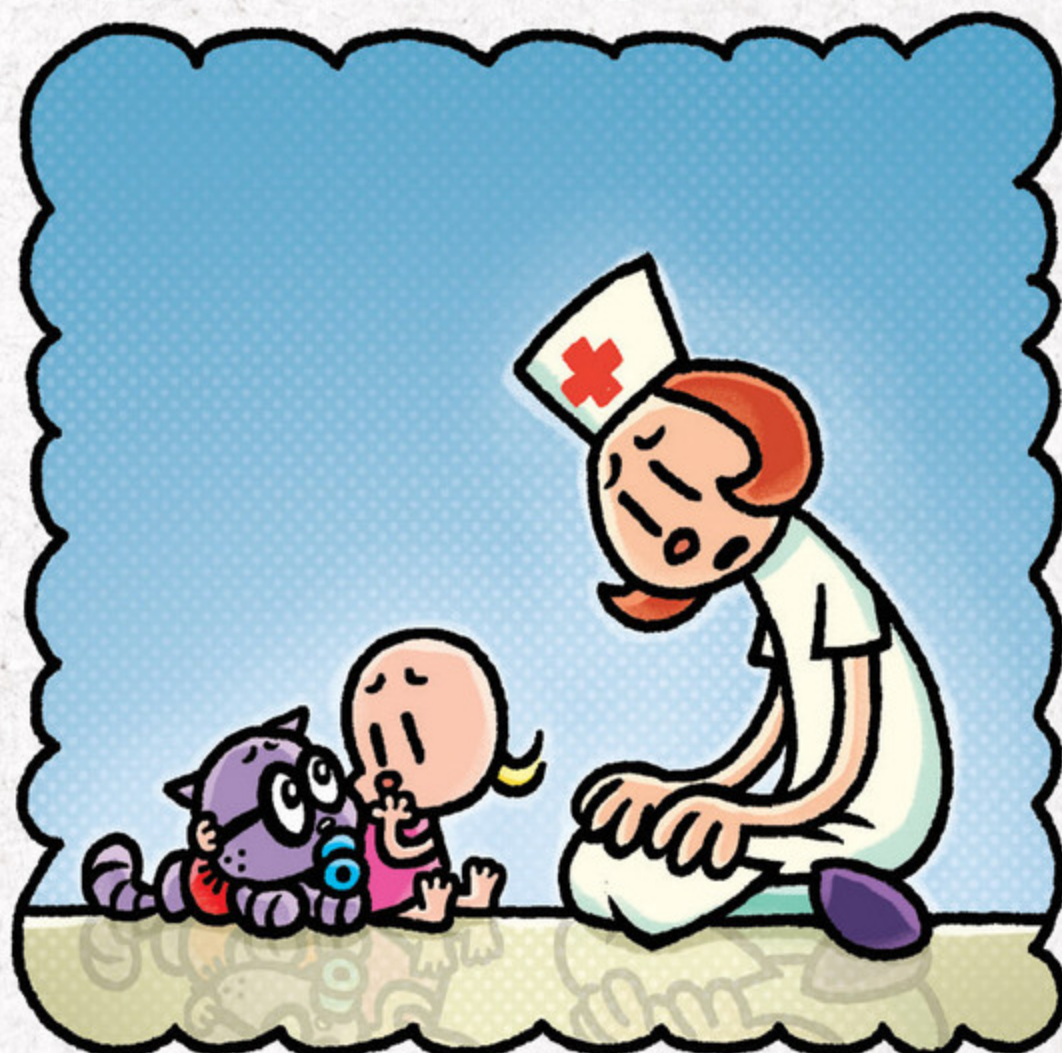
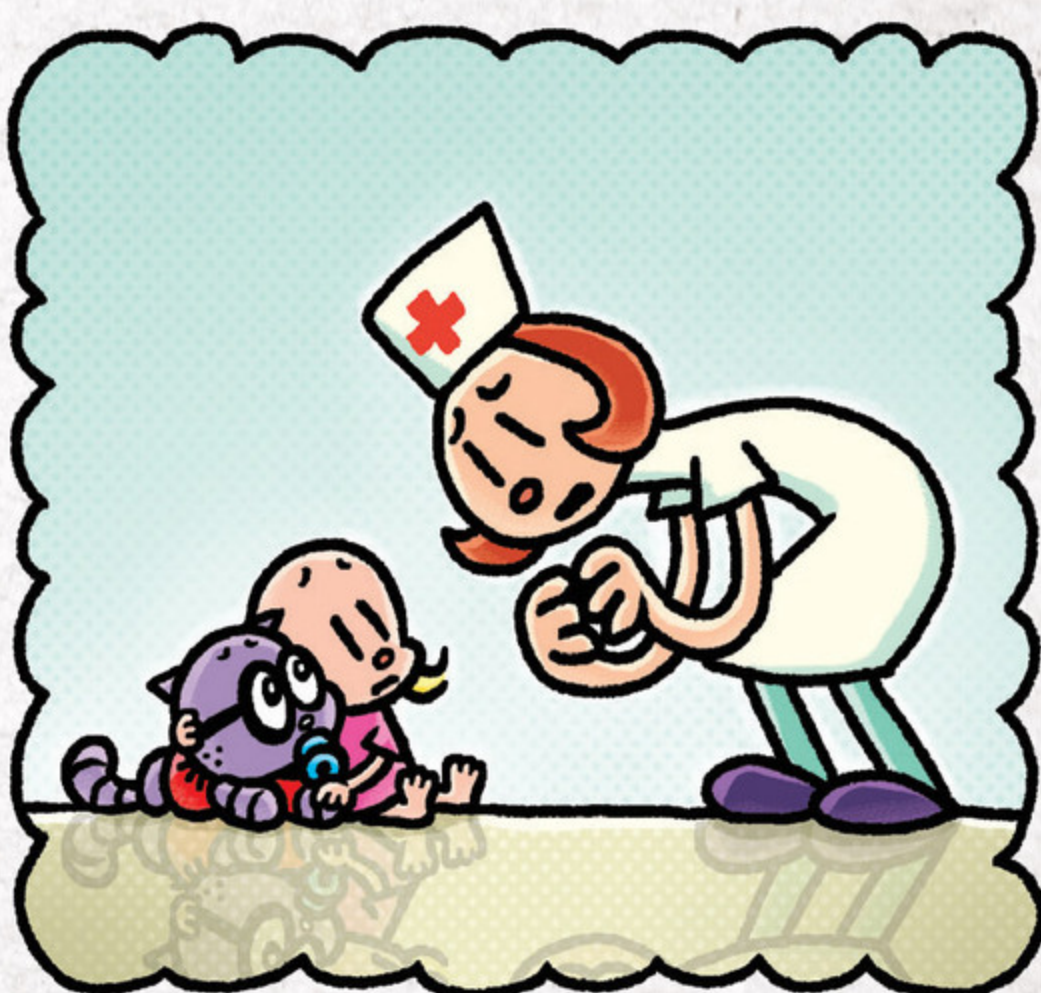
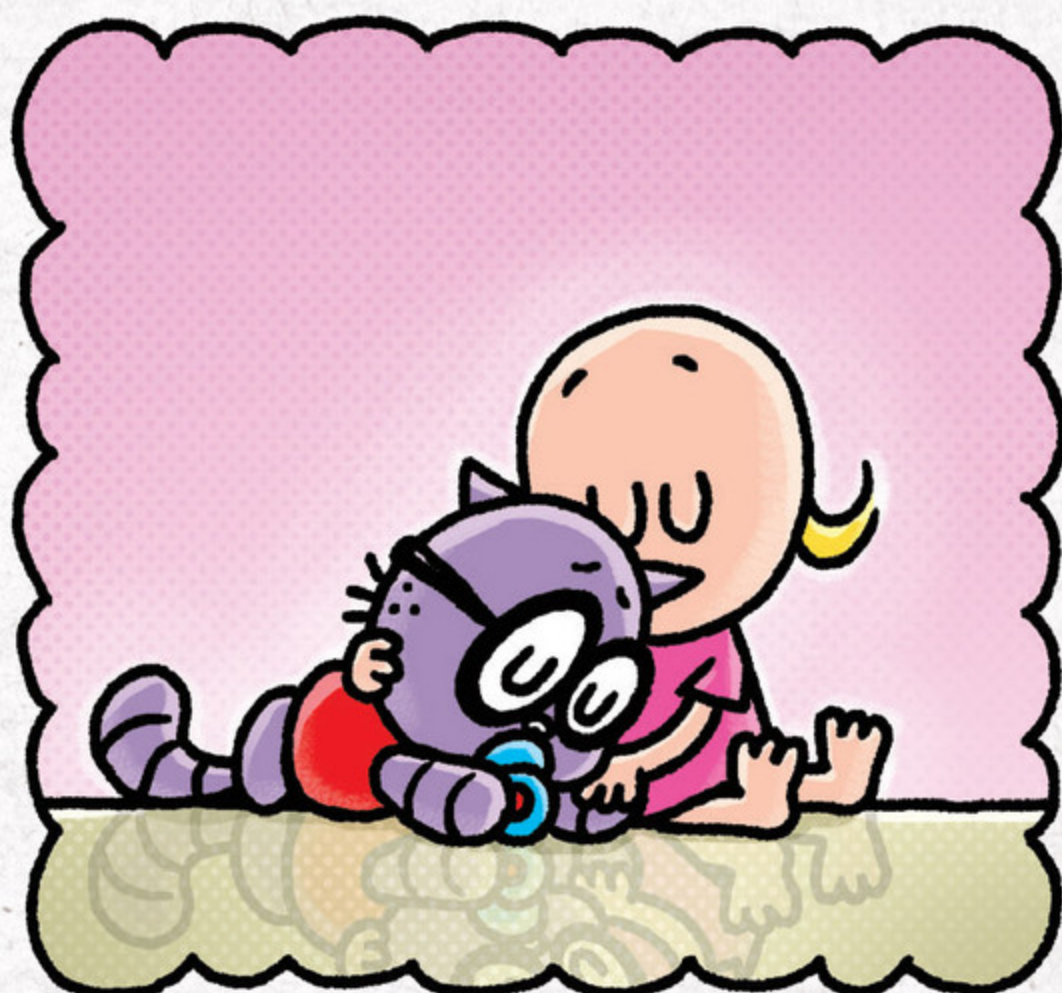
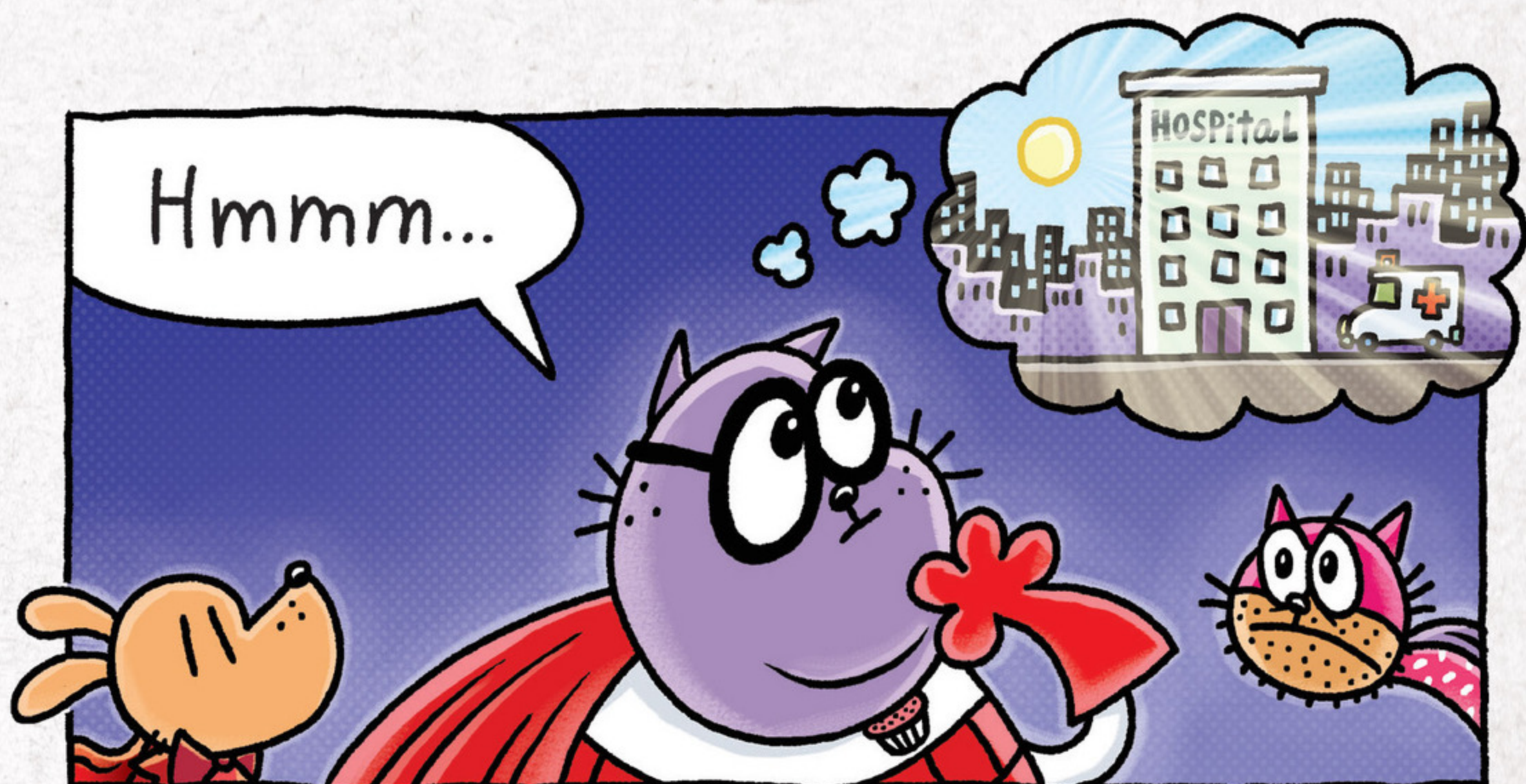
SPACE JAIL



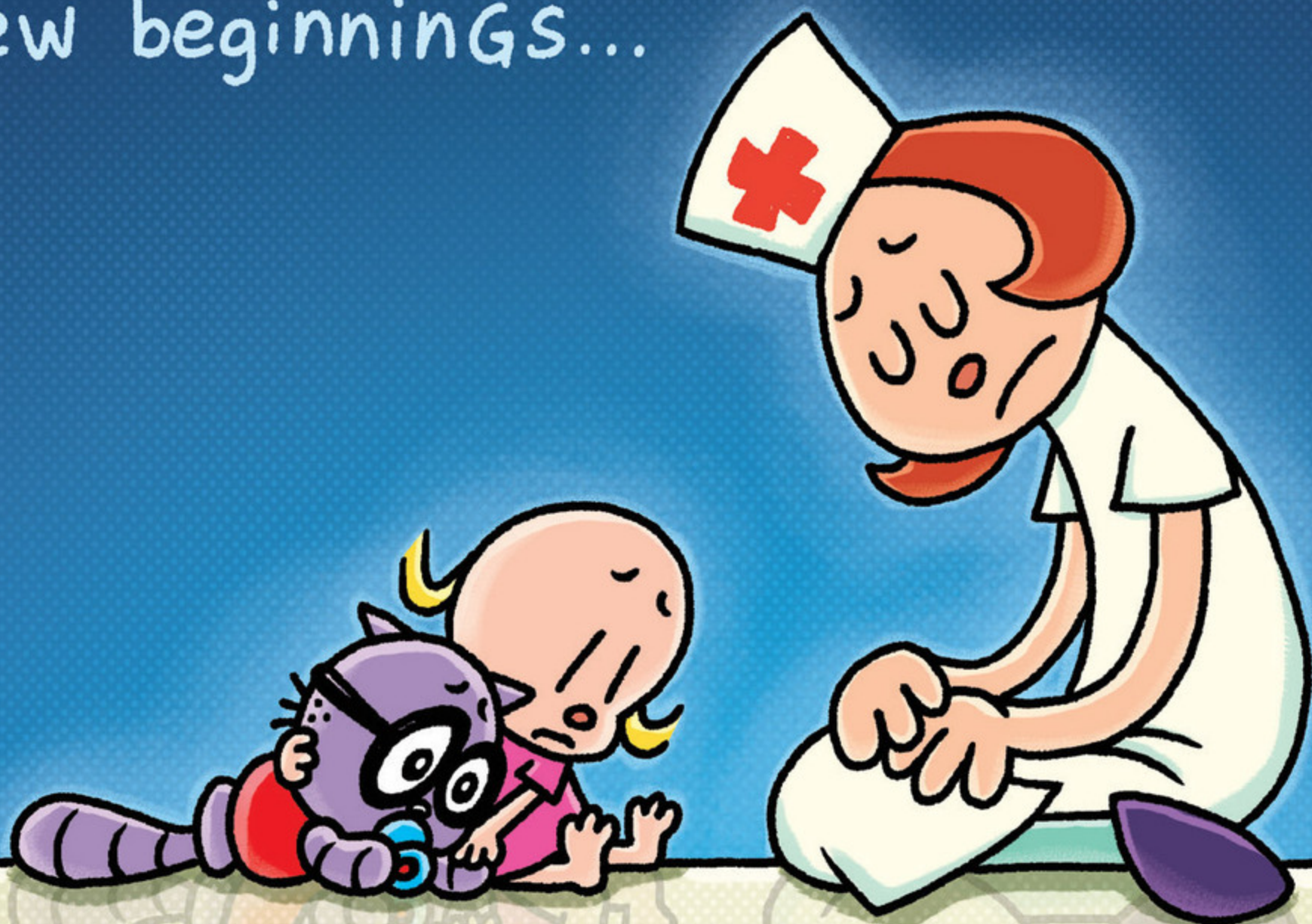






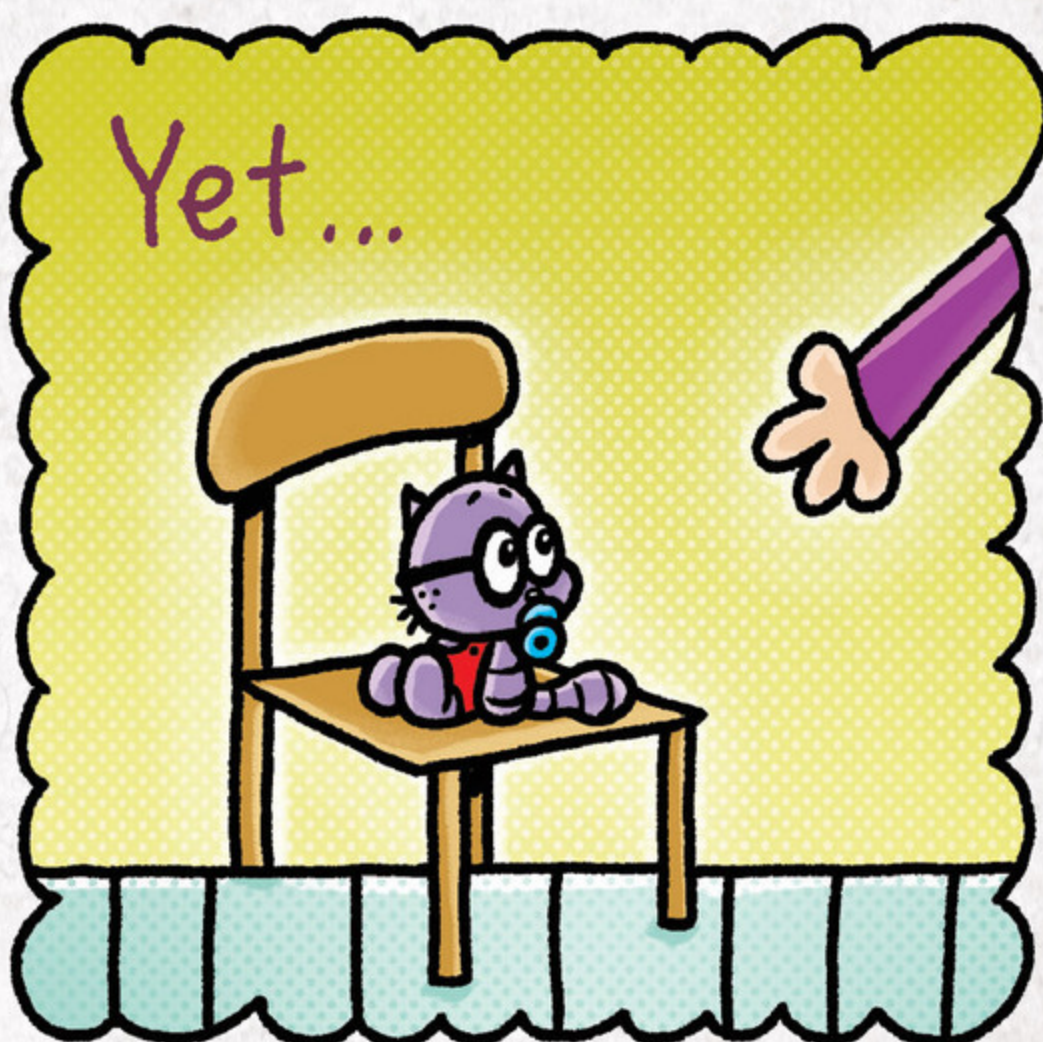
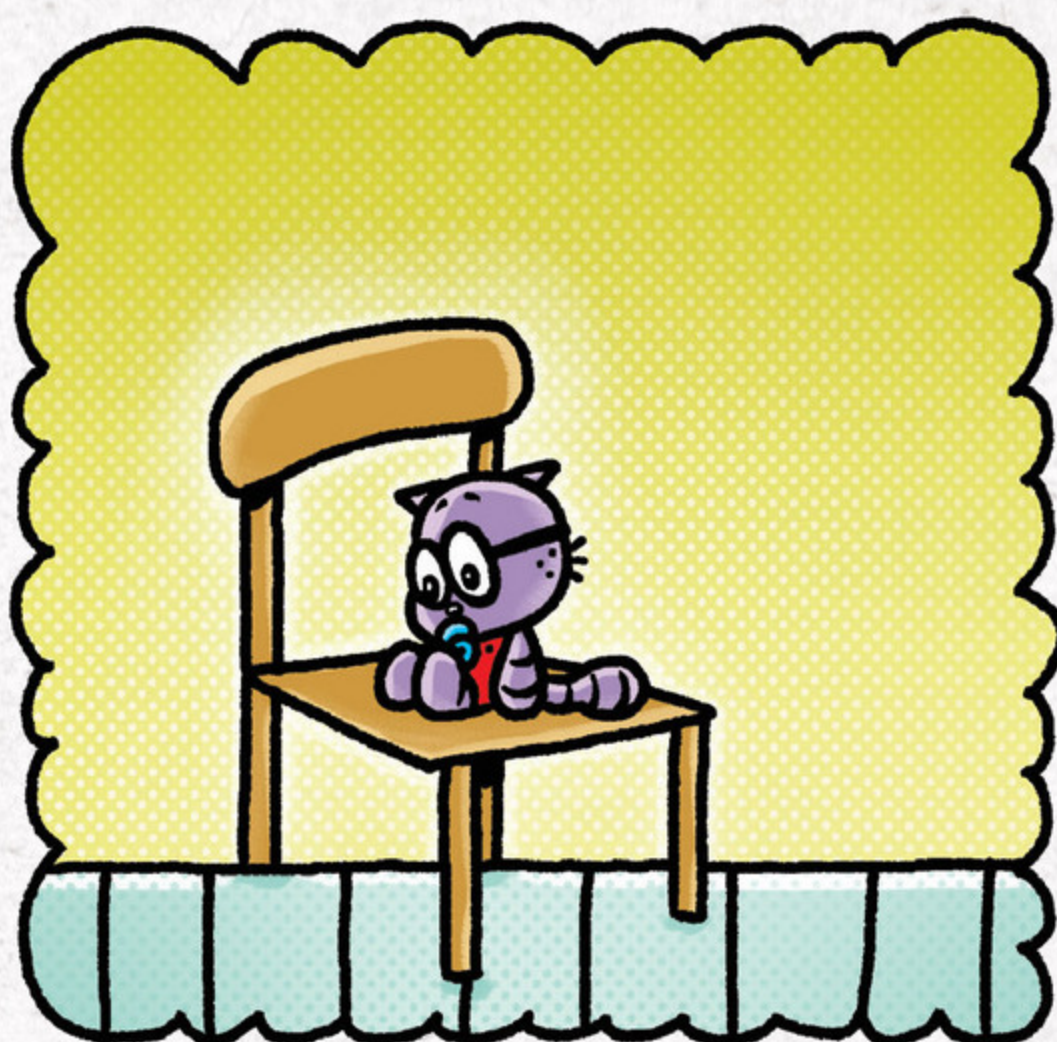


New beginnings...



... are often
disguised...

... as Painful
endings.



...actually,
we have
been planted.



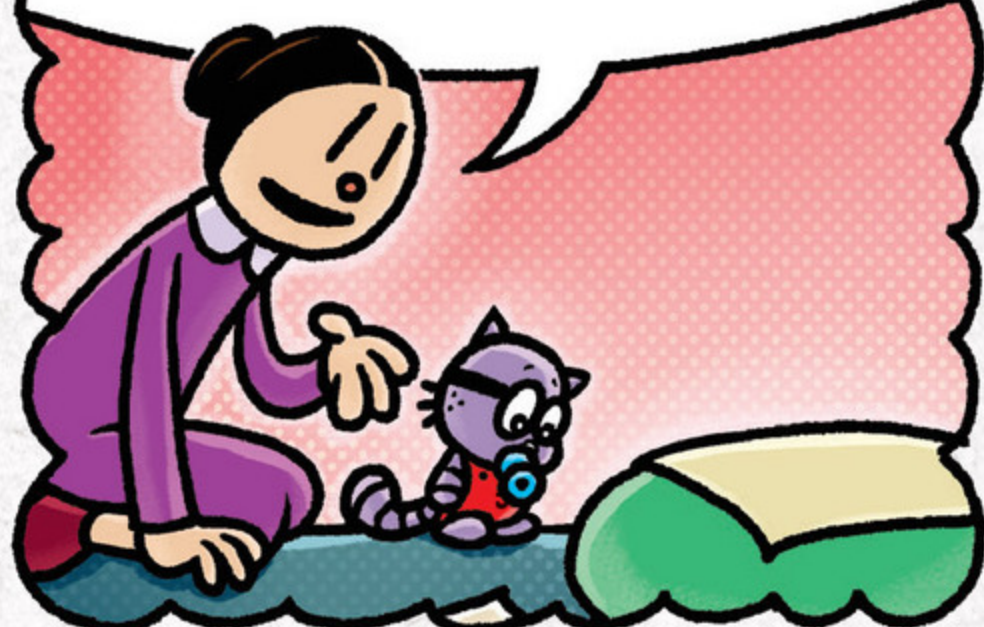
We didn't
have any
extra rooms...



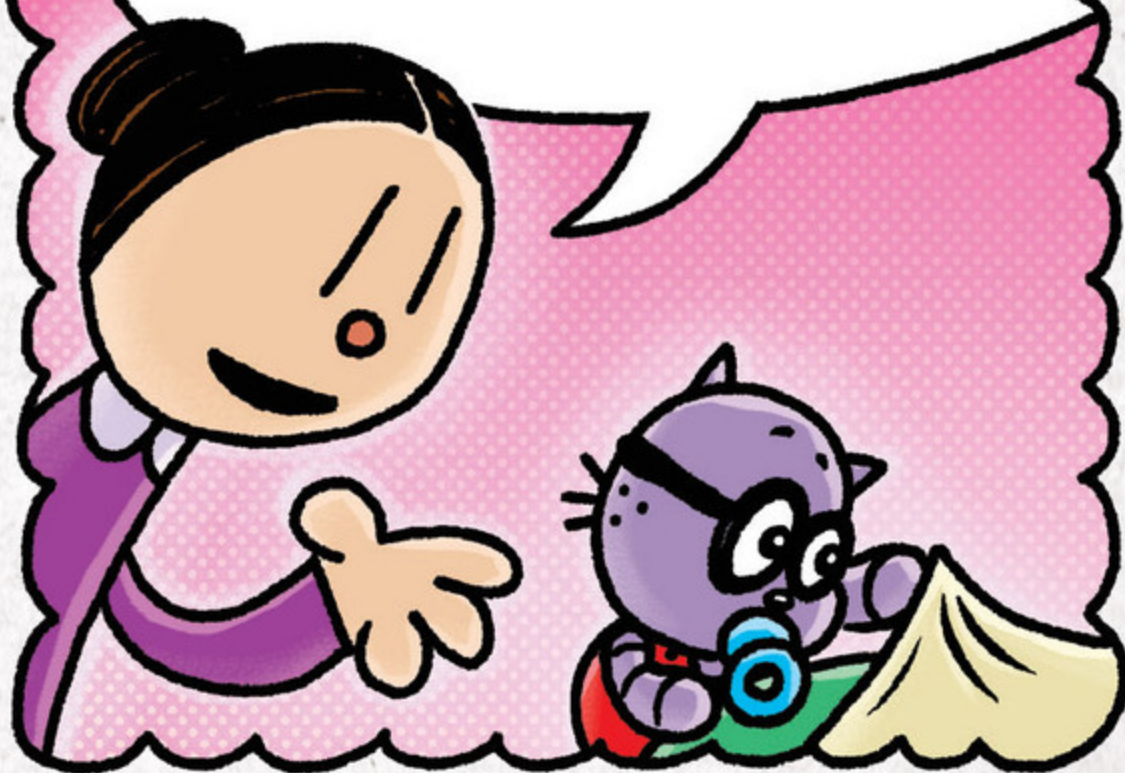
... So I made a
special place
in my office.



It has a warm bed...



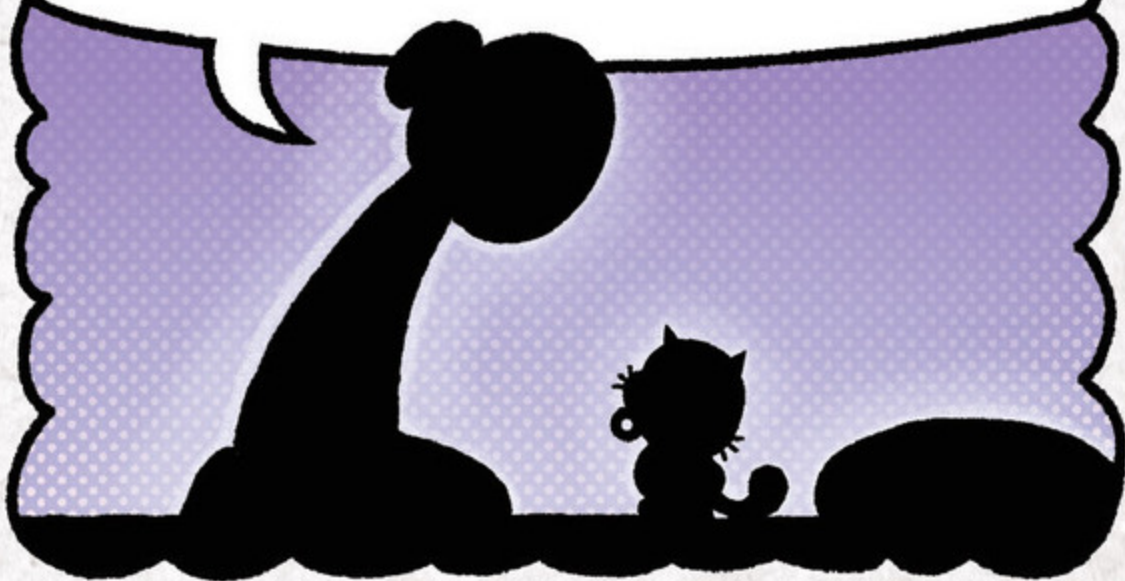
... a blanket...



... Some paper to draw on...



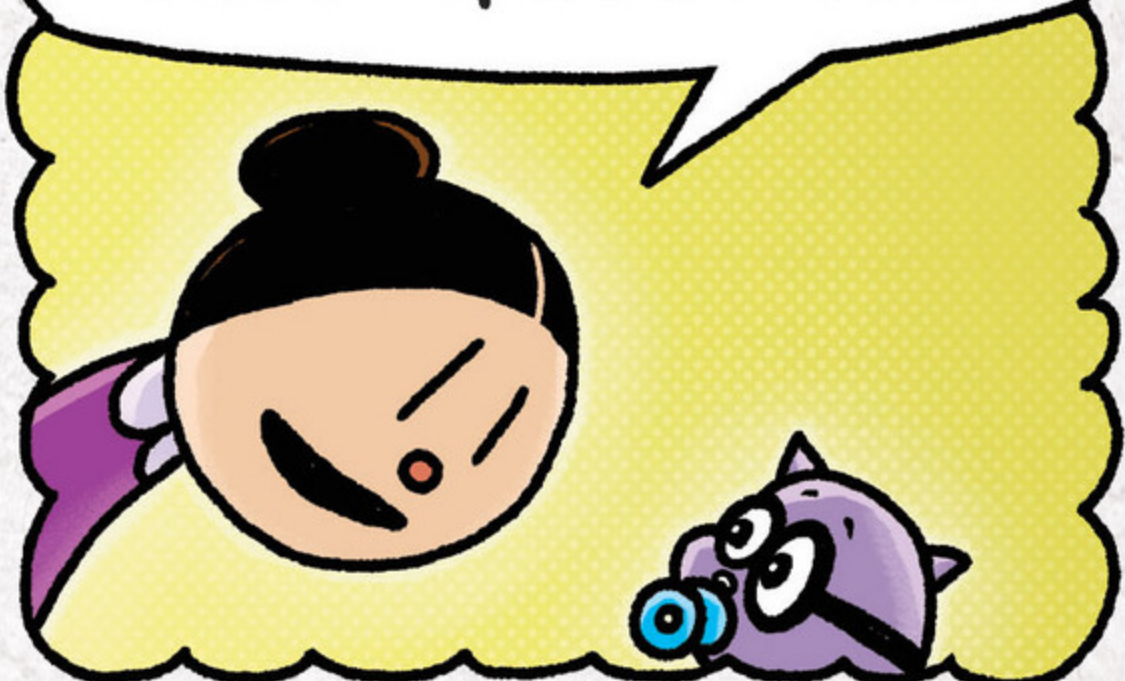
... and if you need anything...

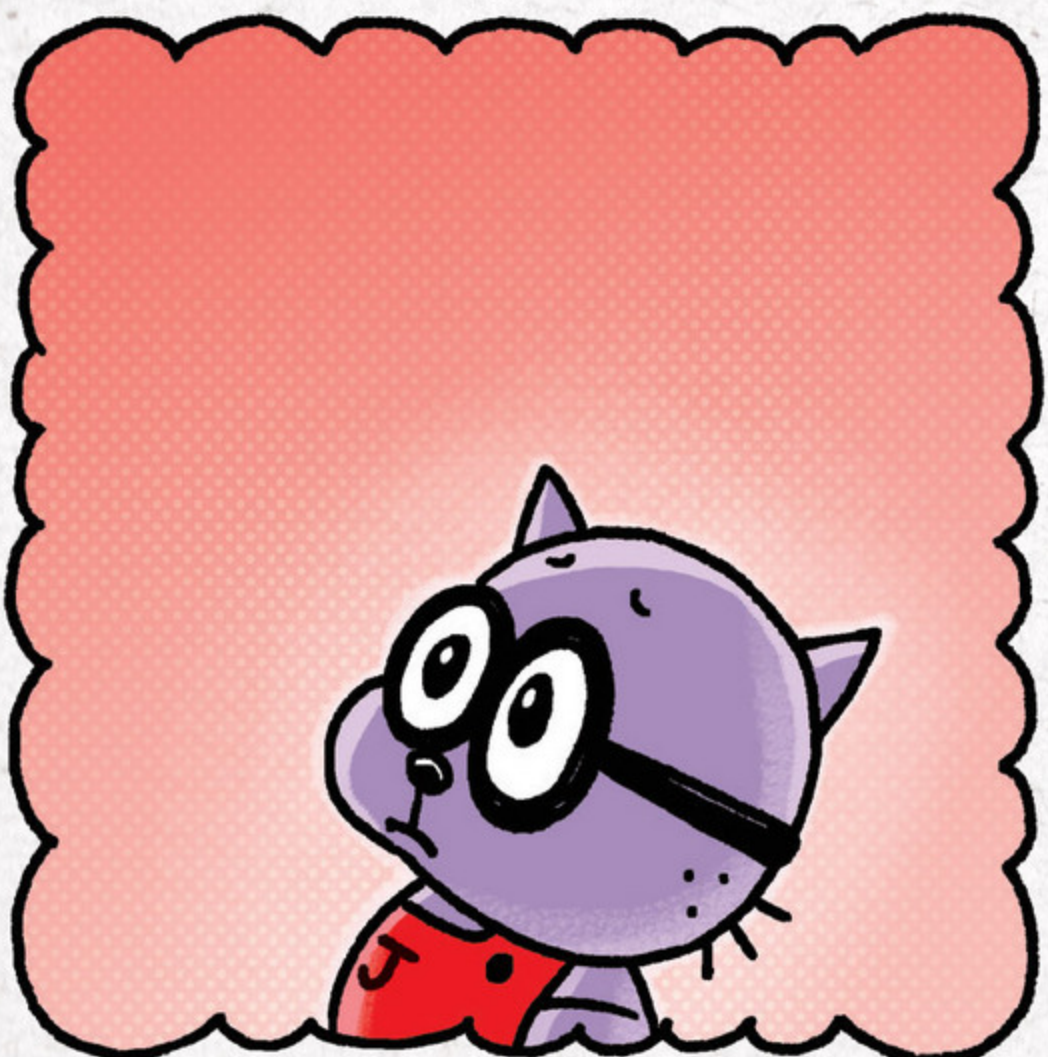
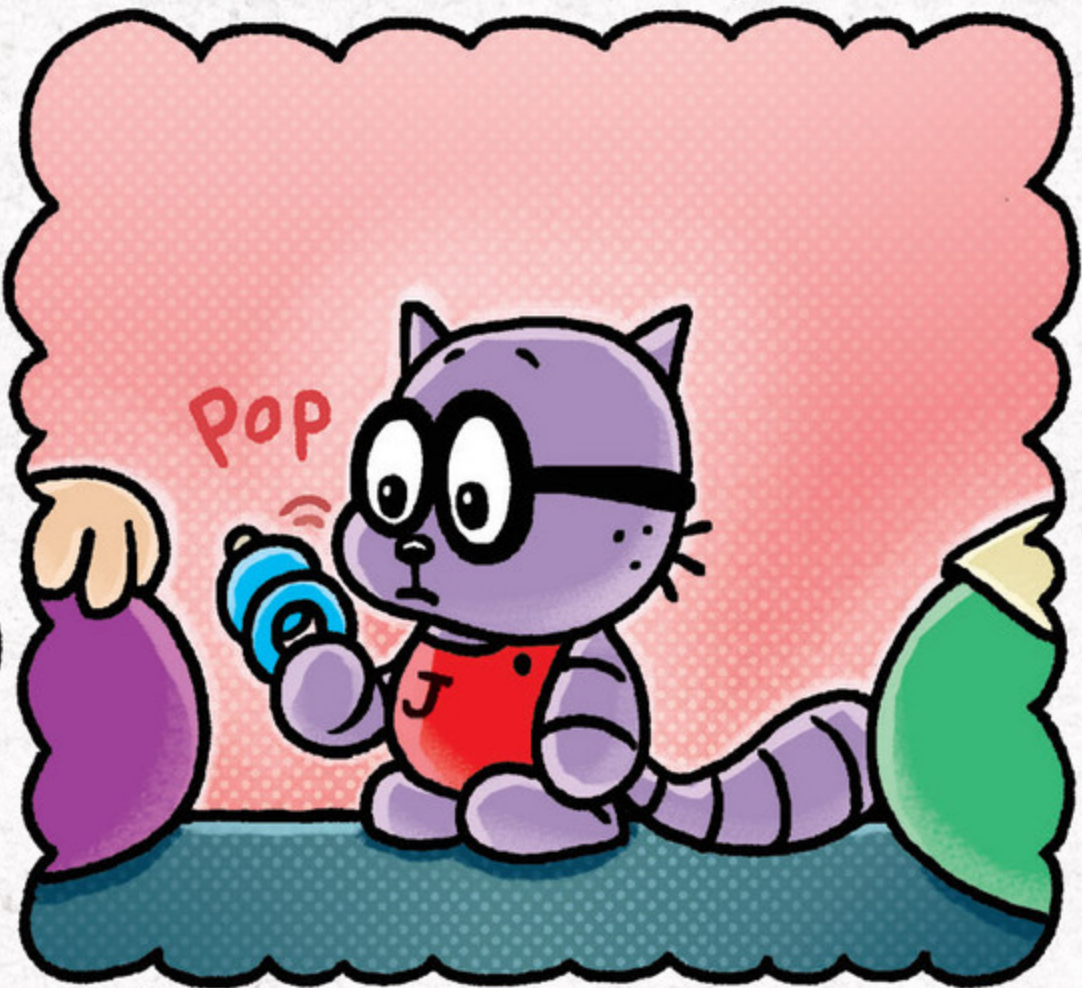
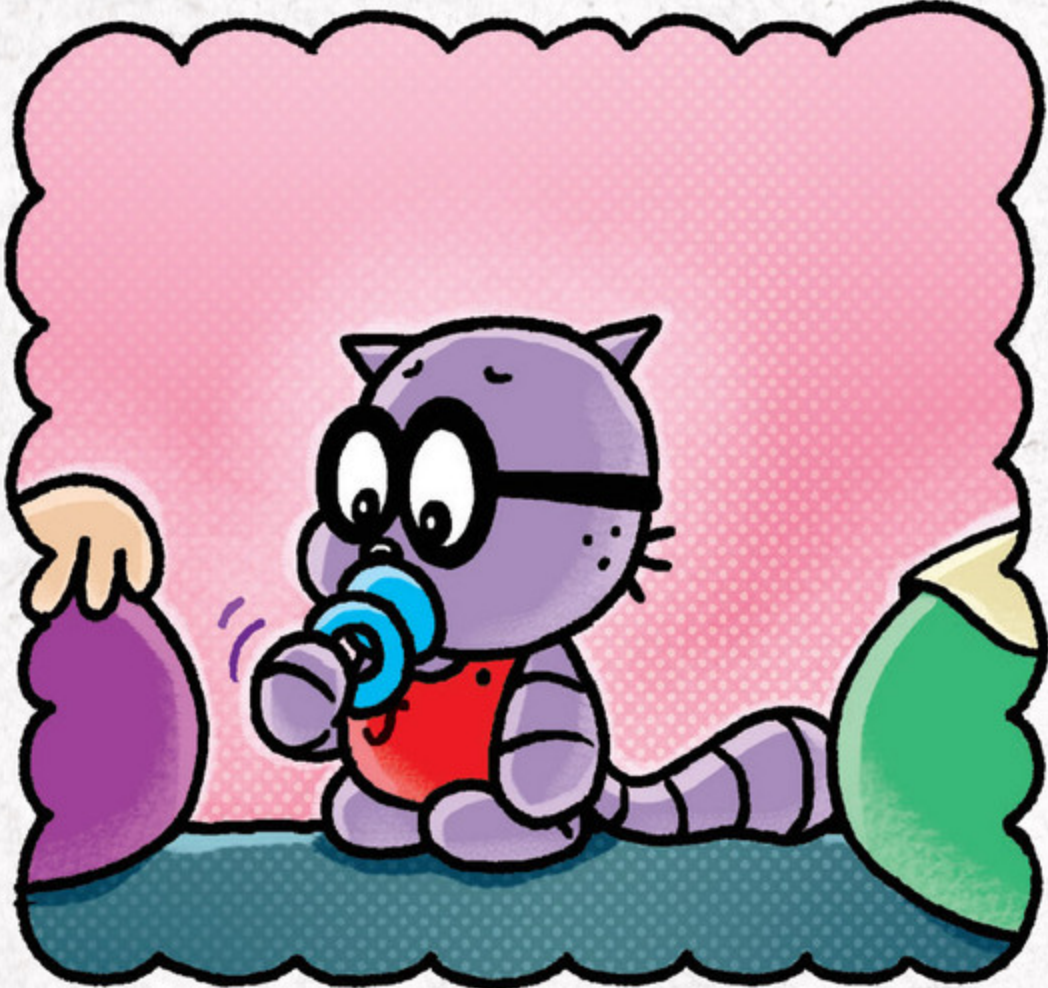
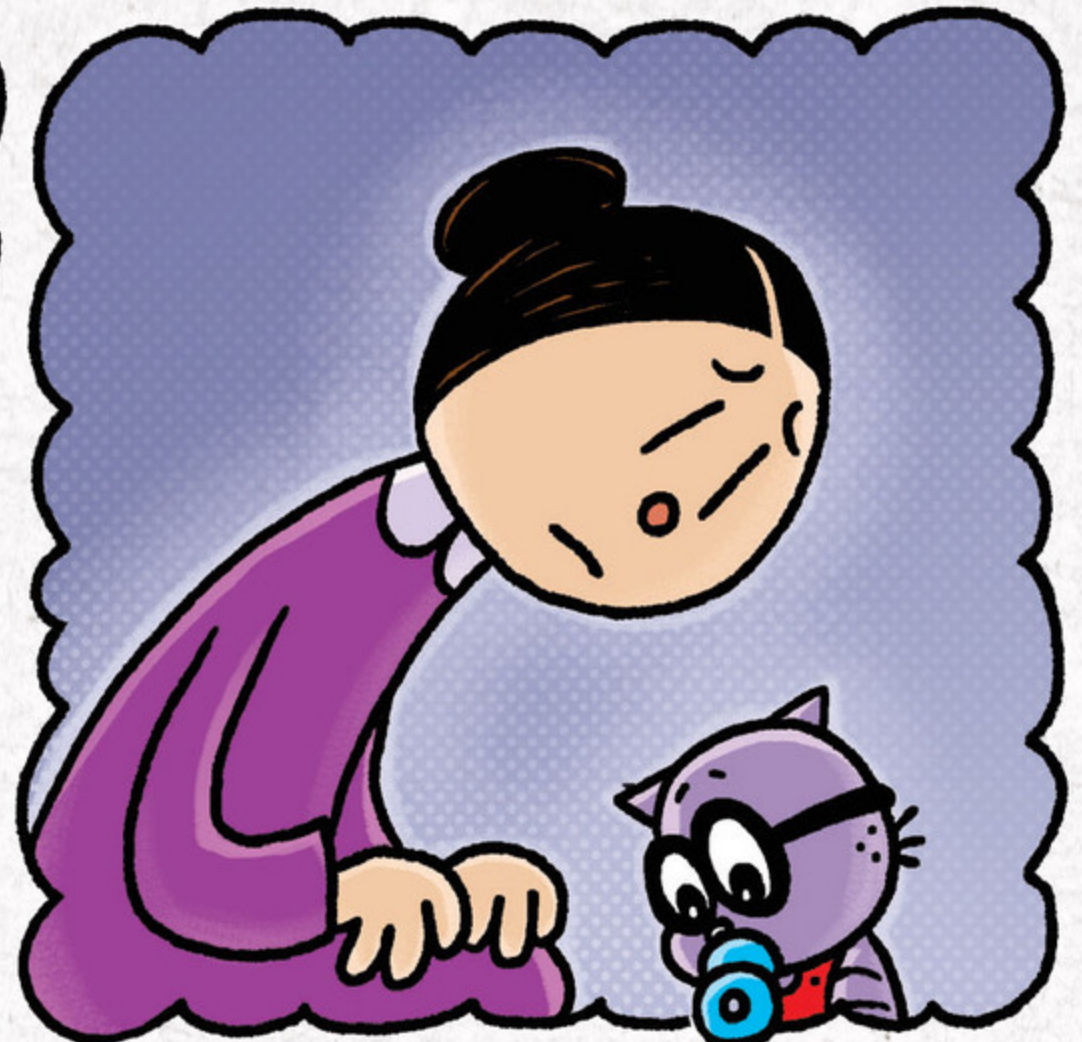
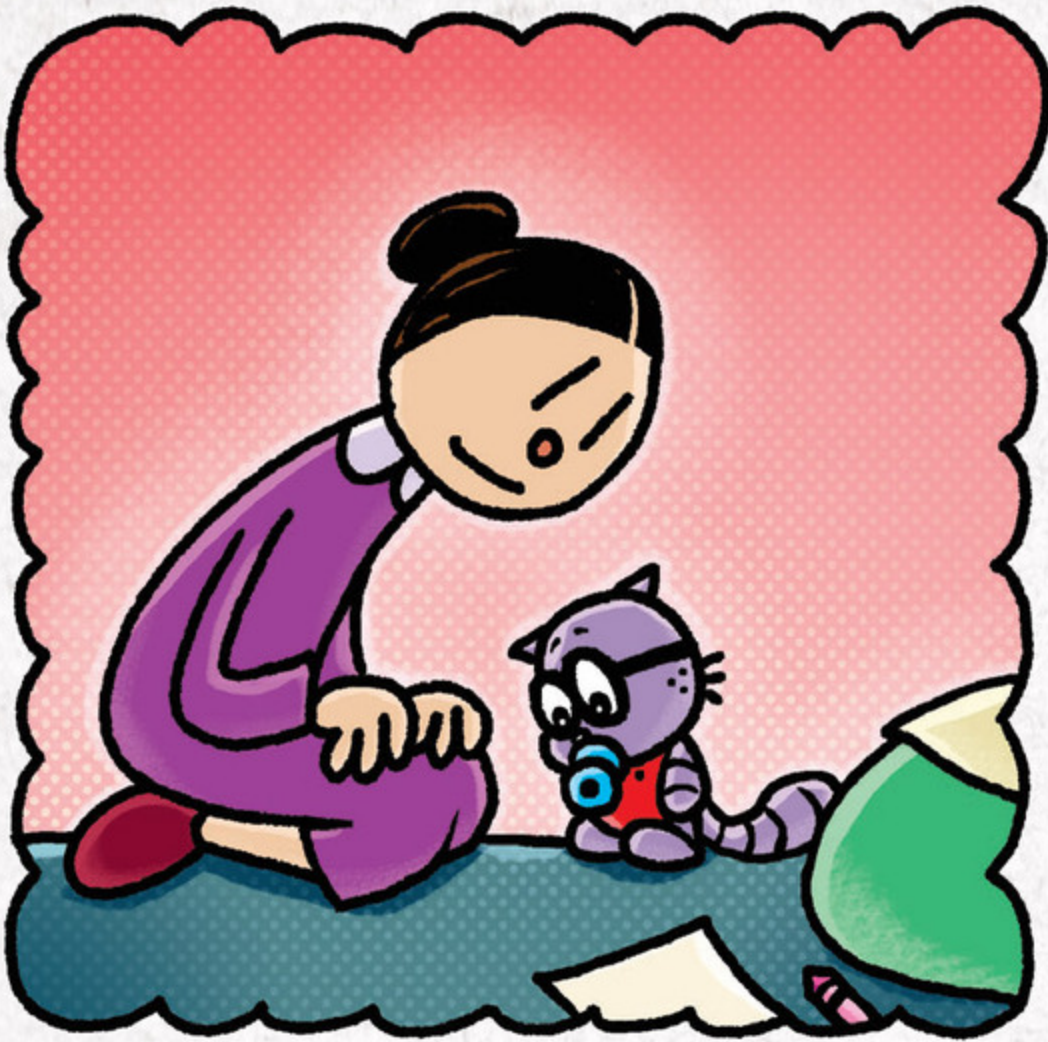


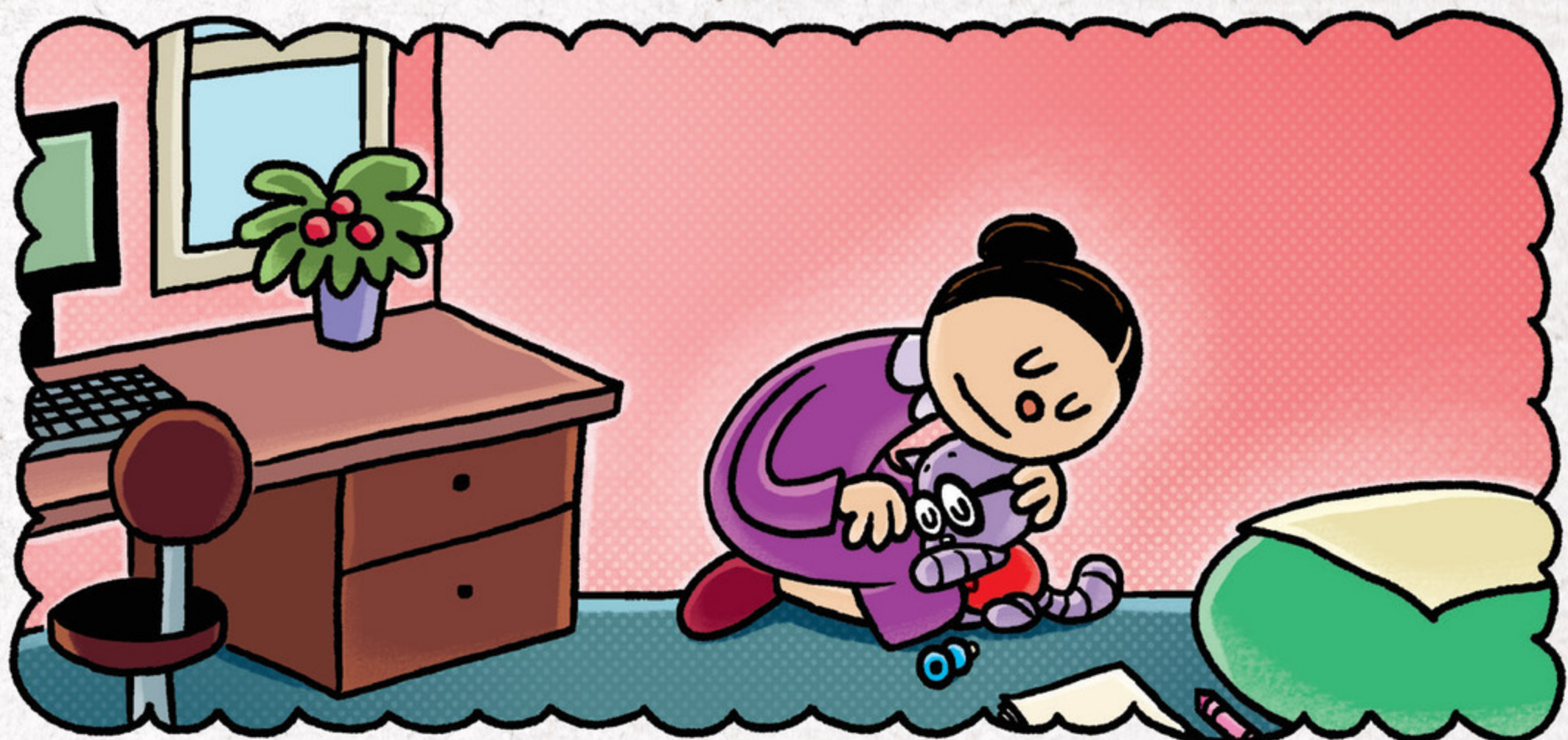
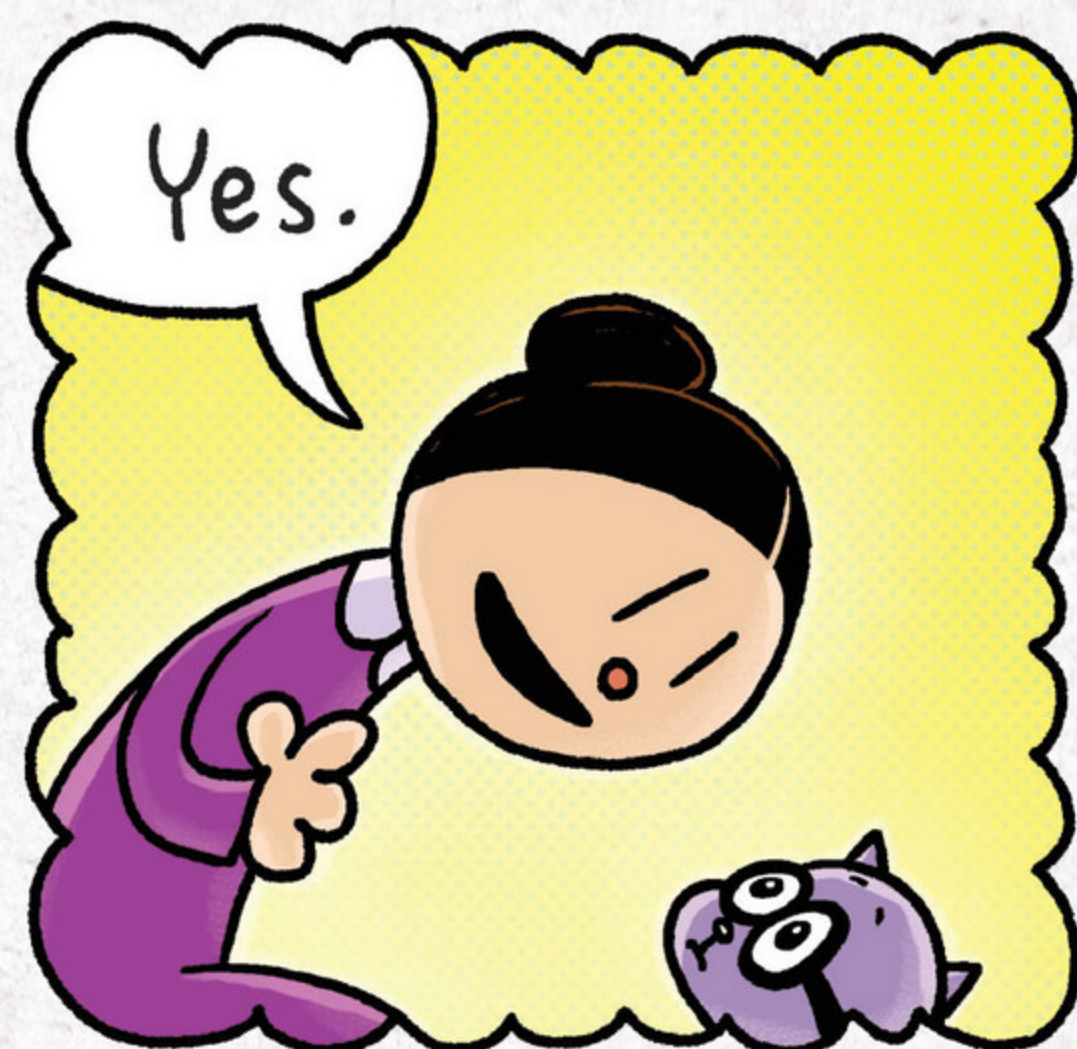
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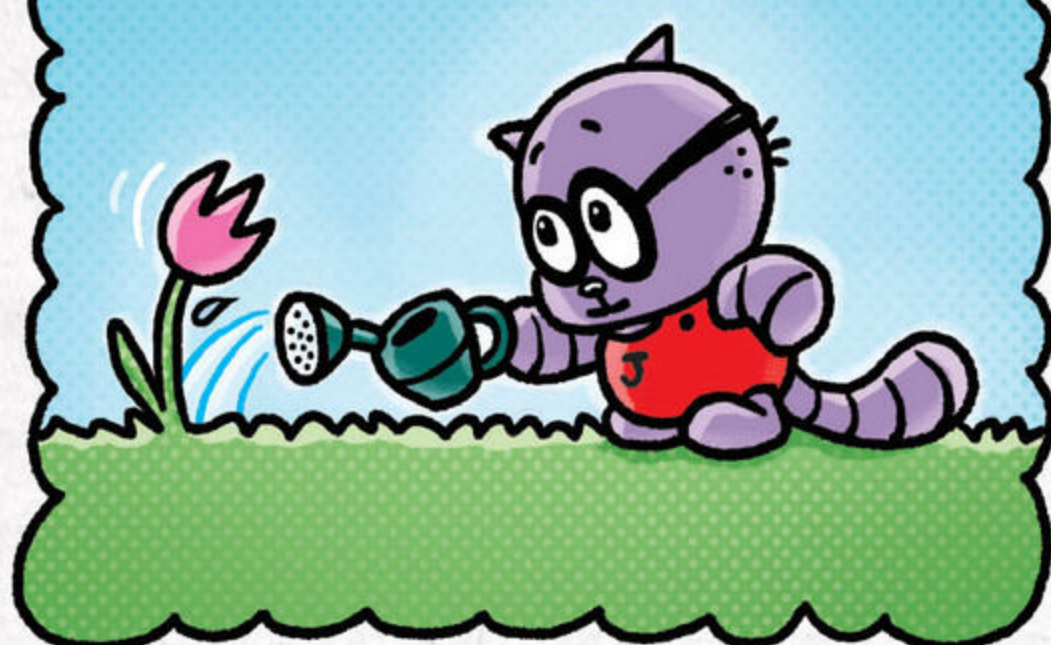
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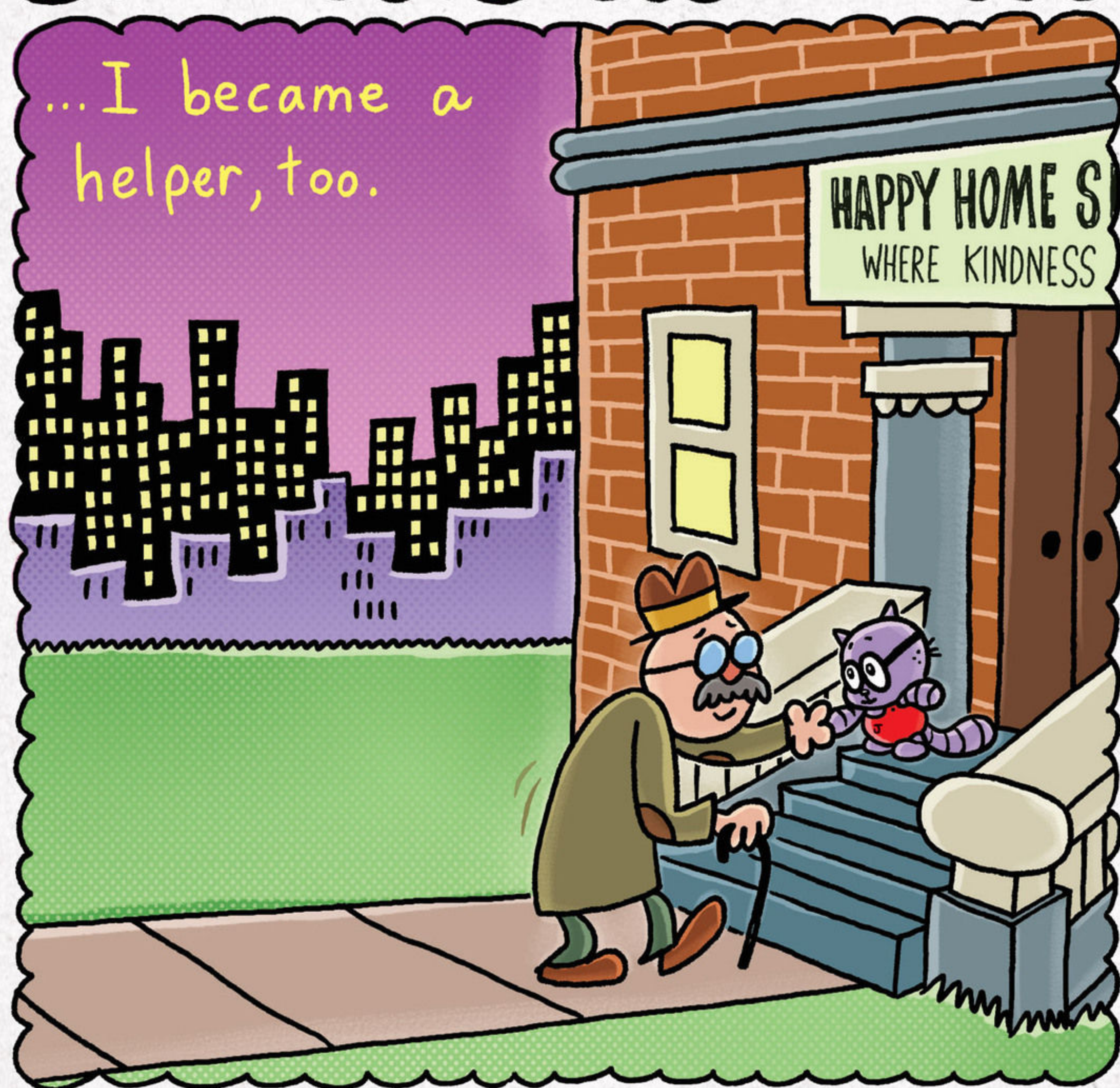
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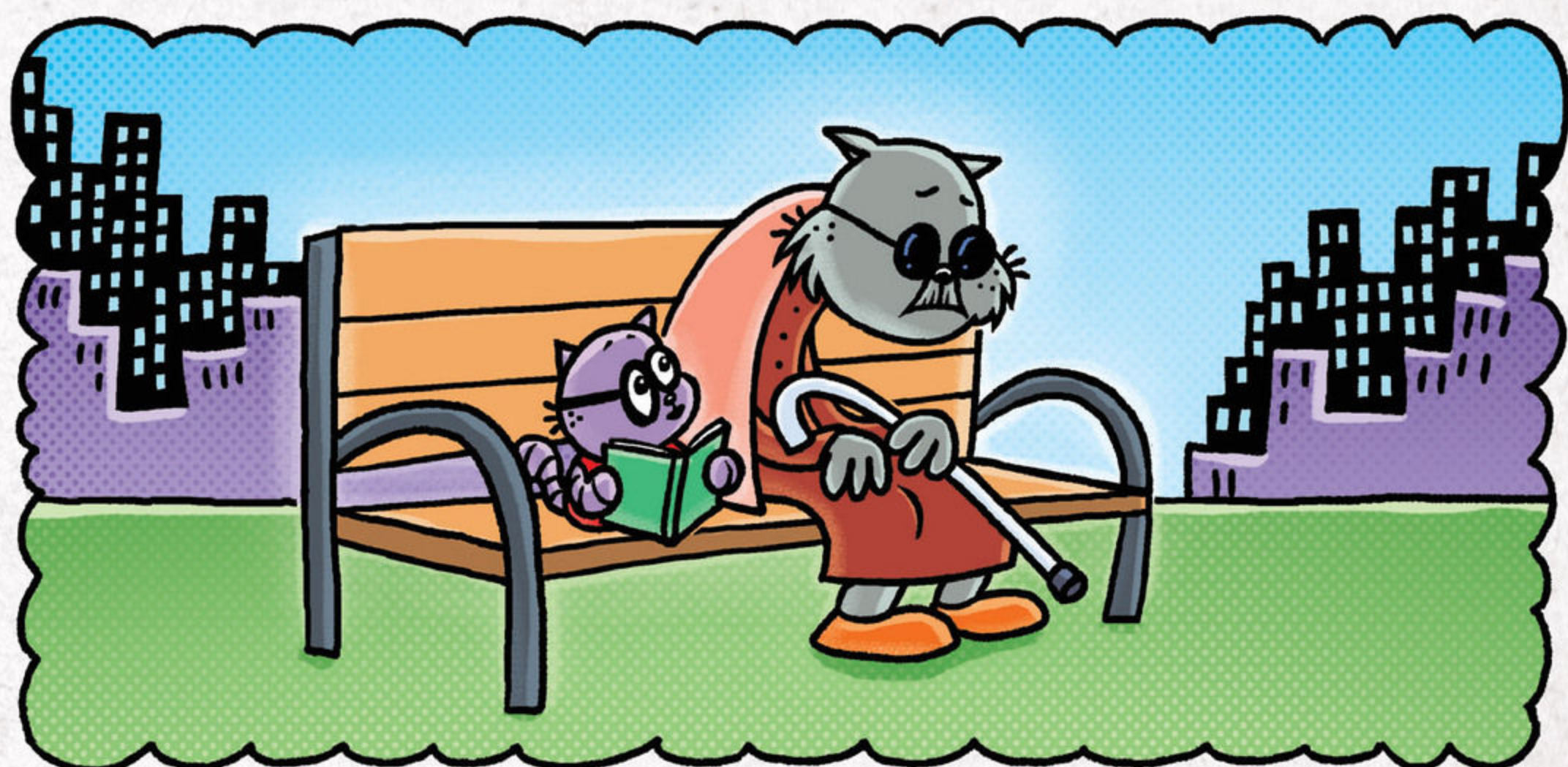


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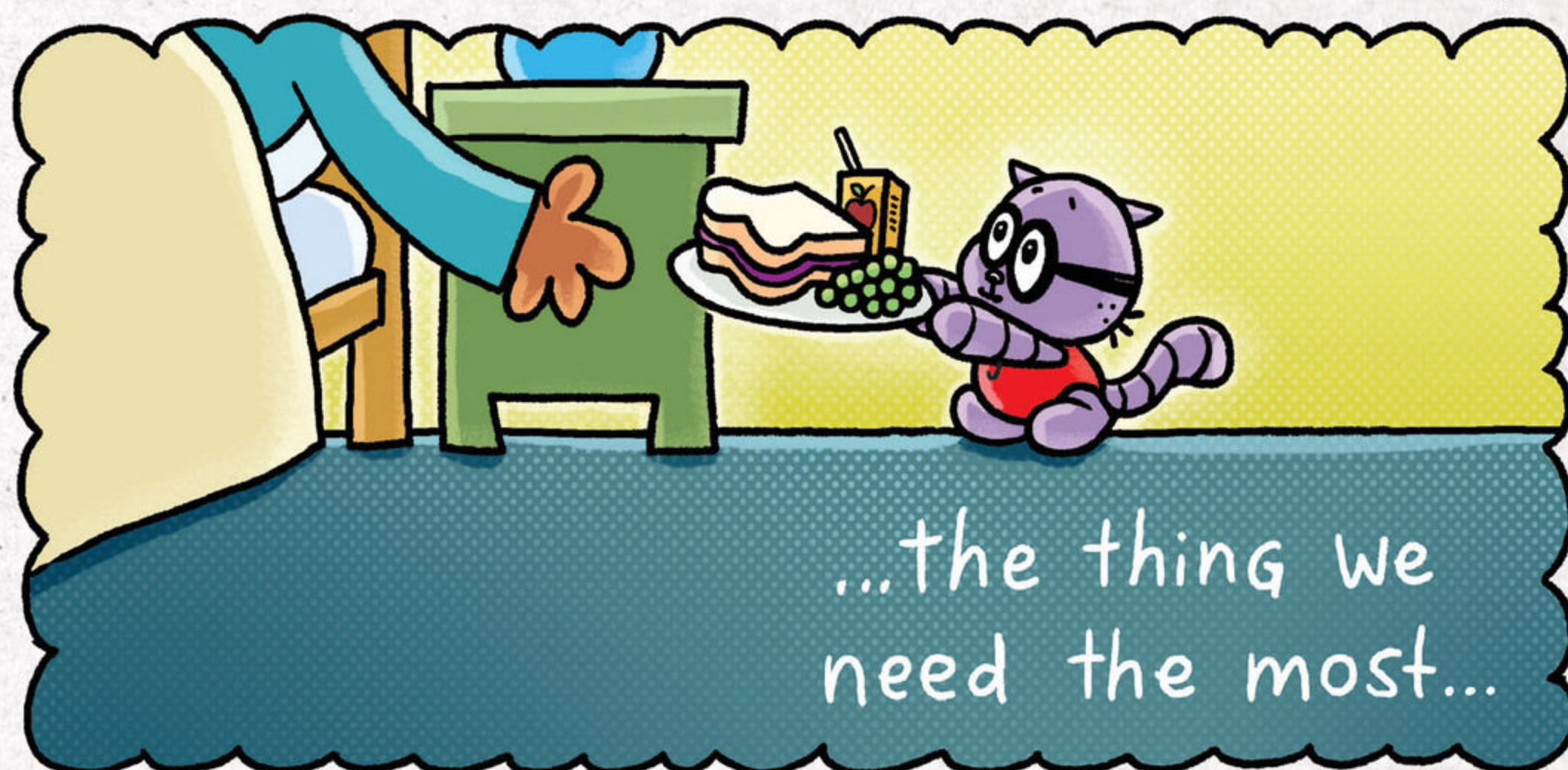


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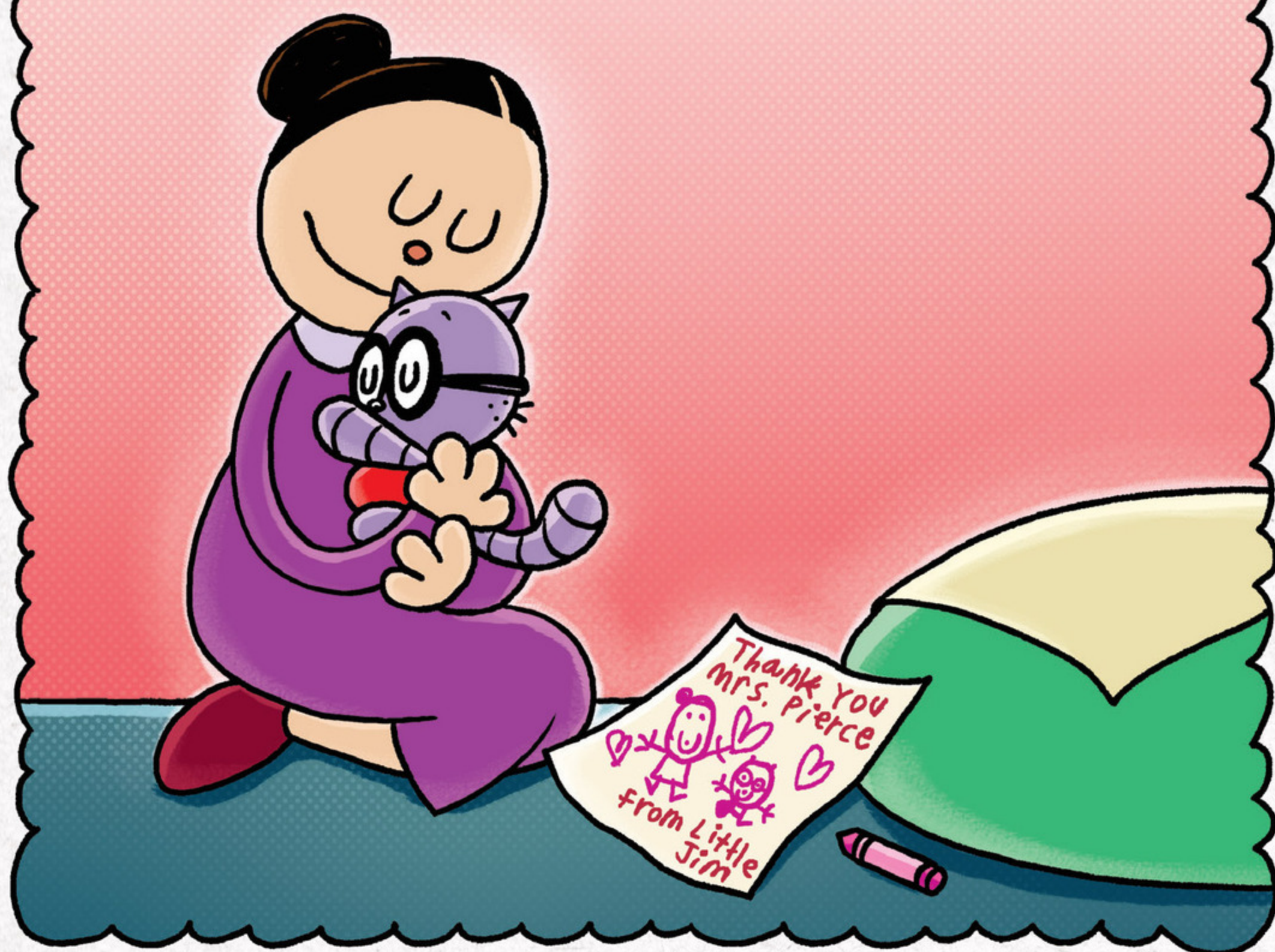


Because
Sometimes...

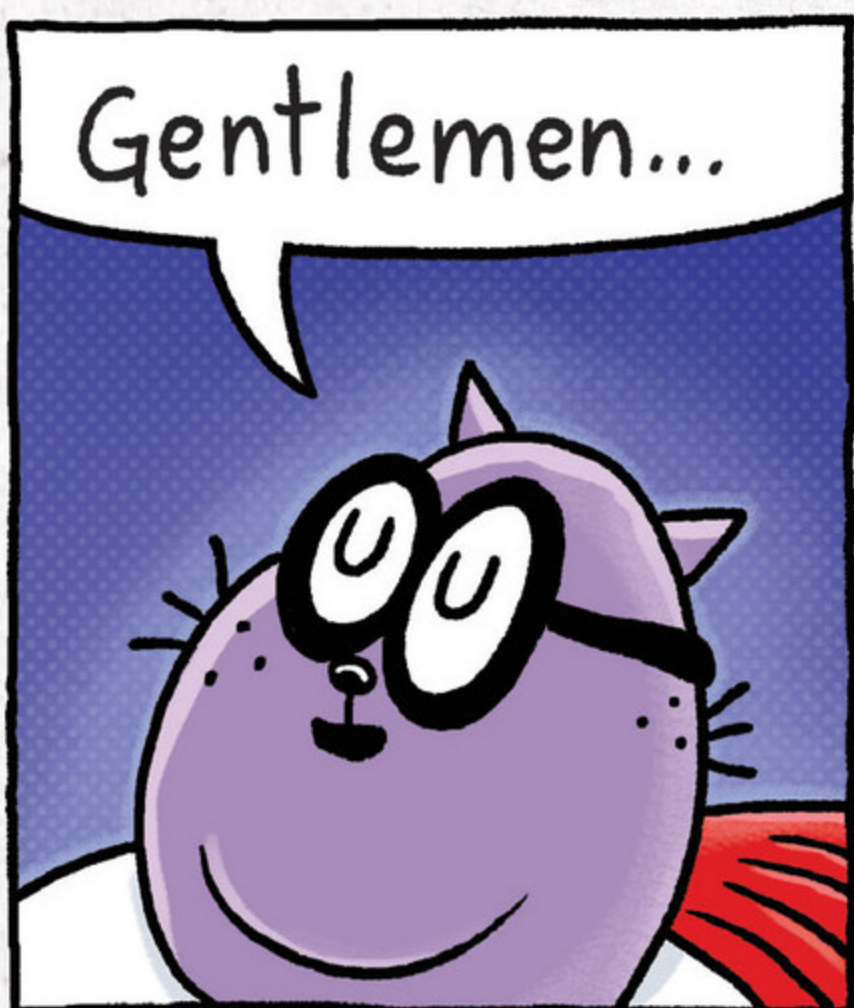


...the thing we
need the most...

...is the thing we must Give.



Gentlemen...



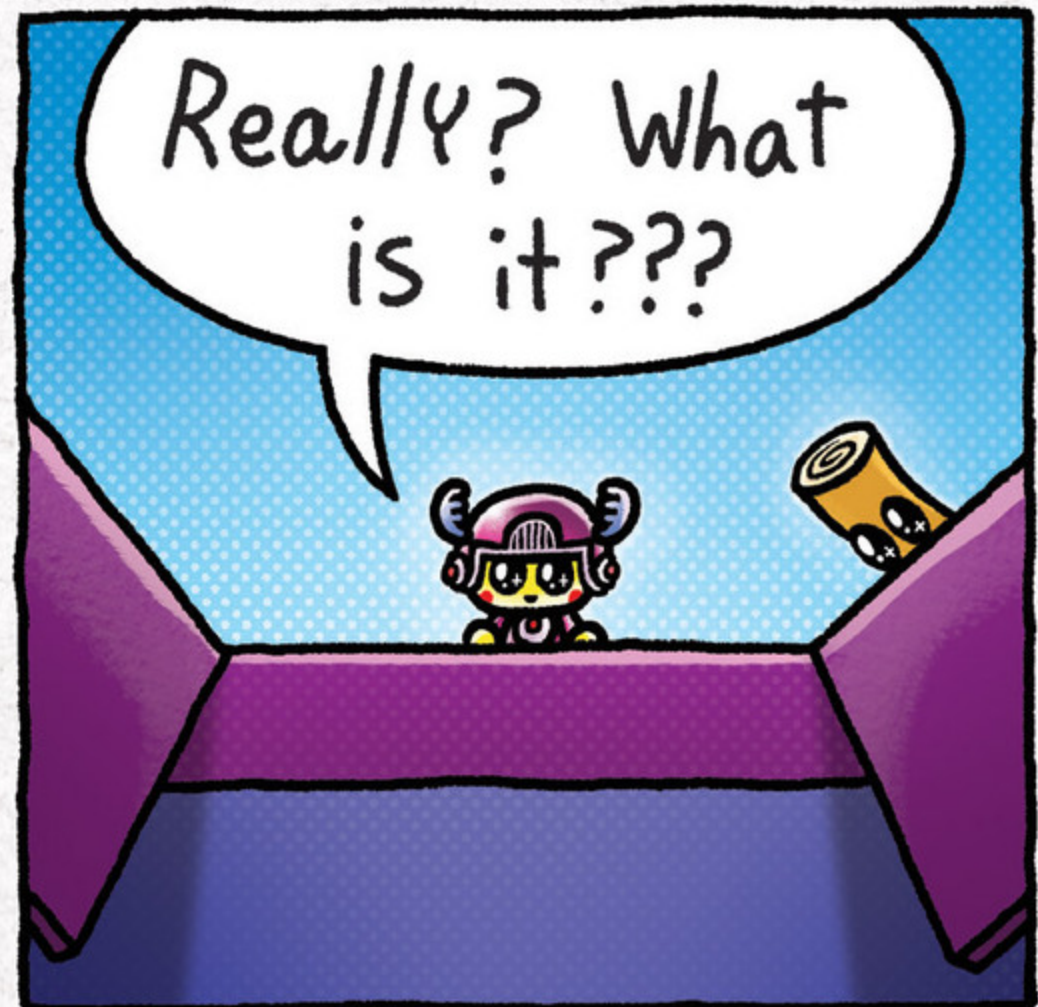
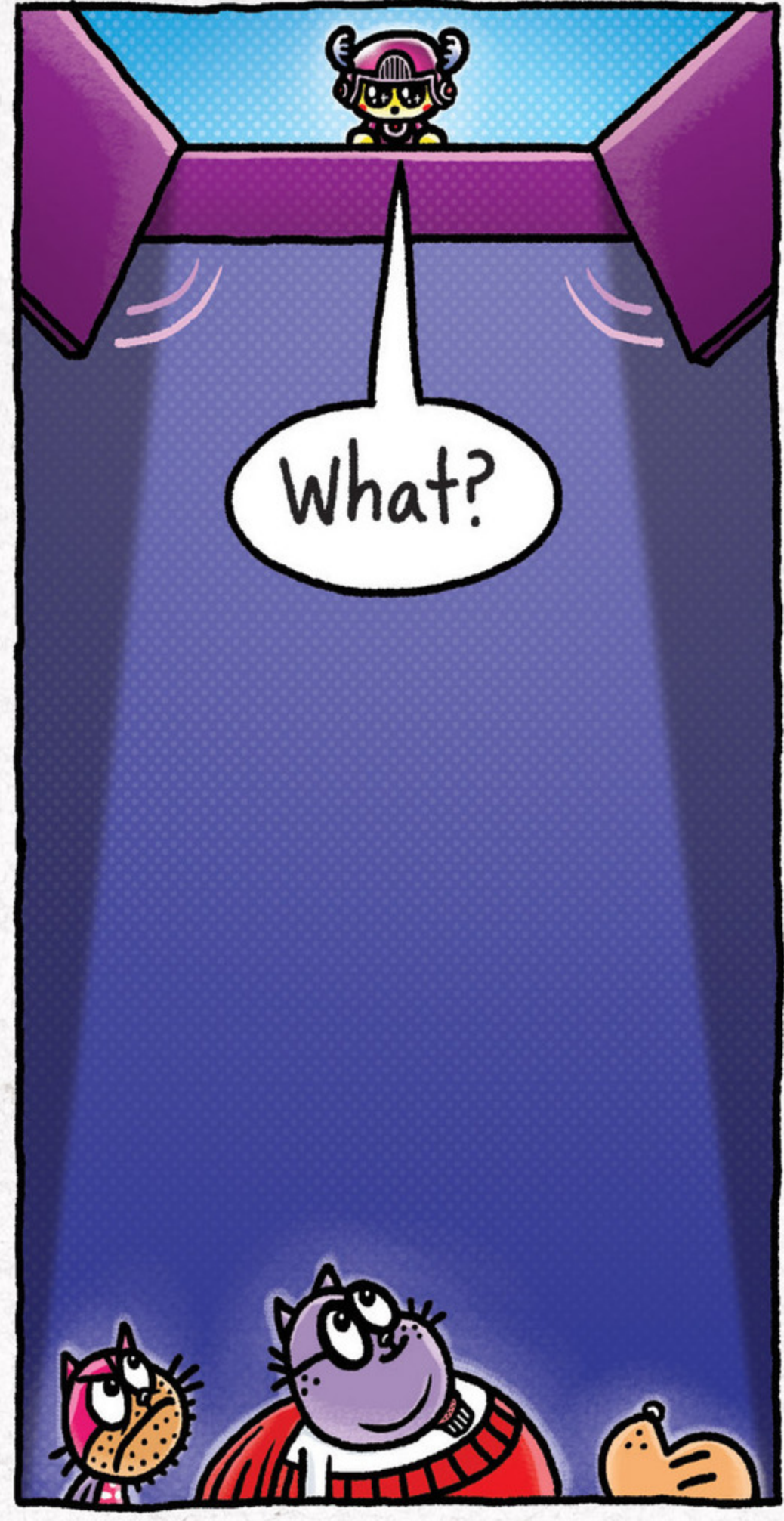
... I Know **Just**
what to Do.

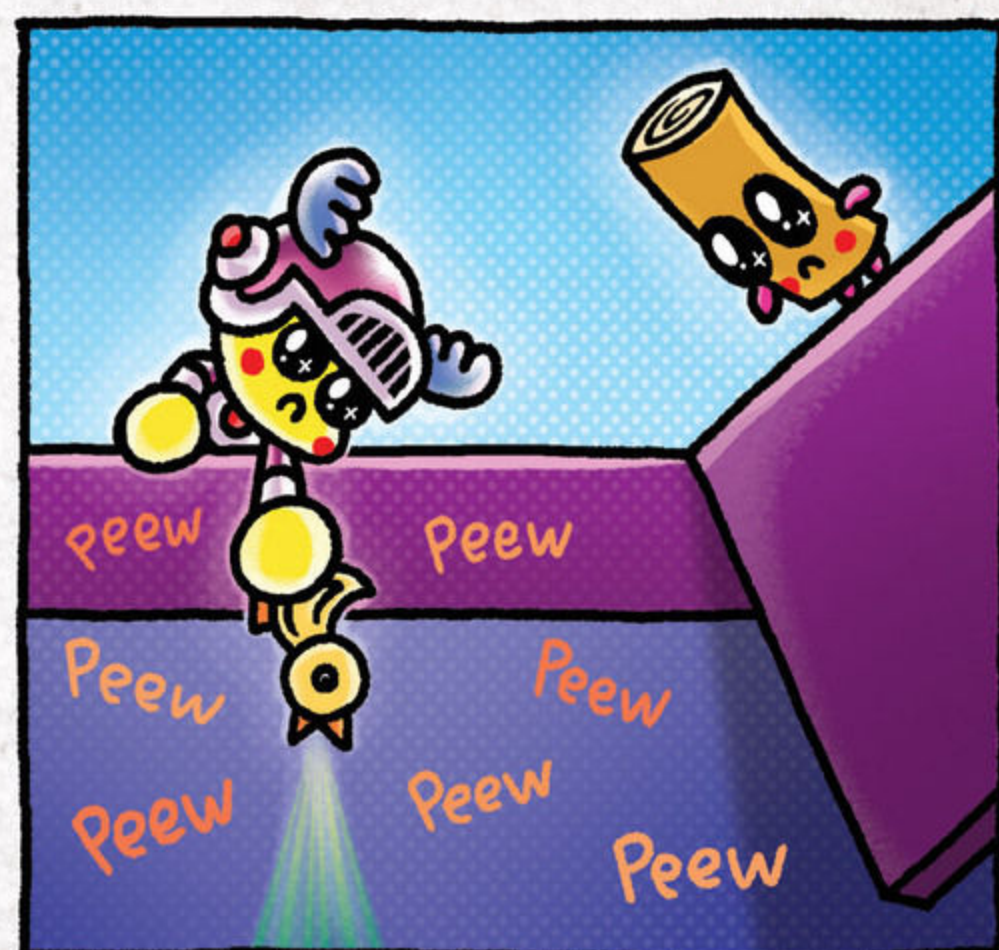


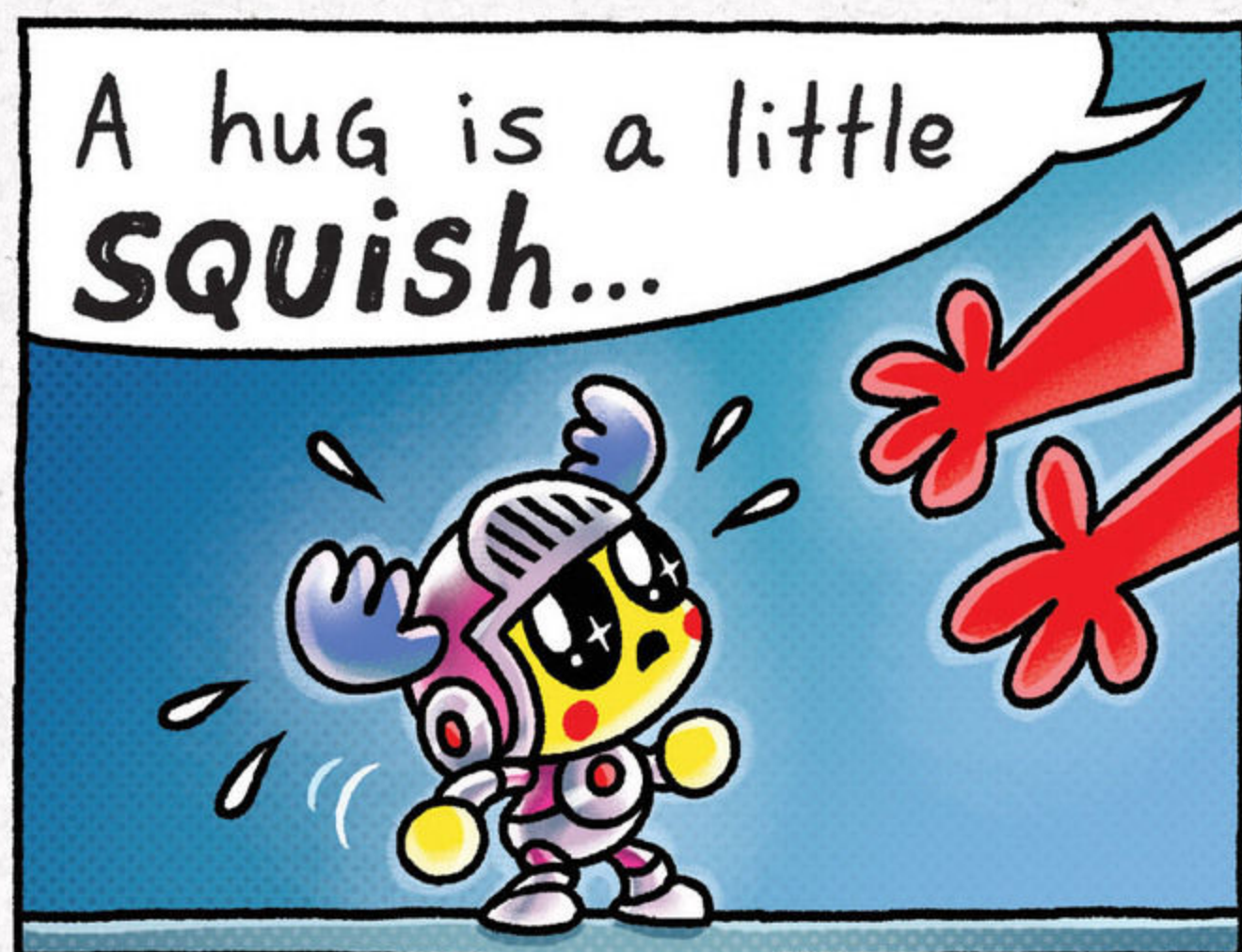
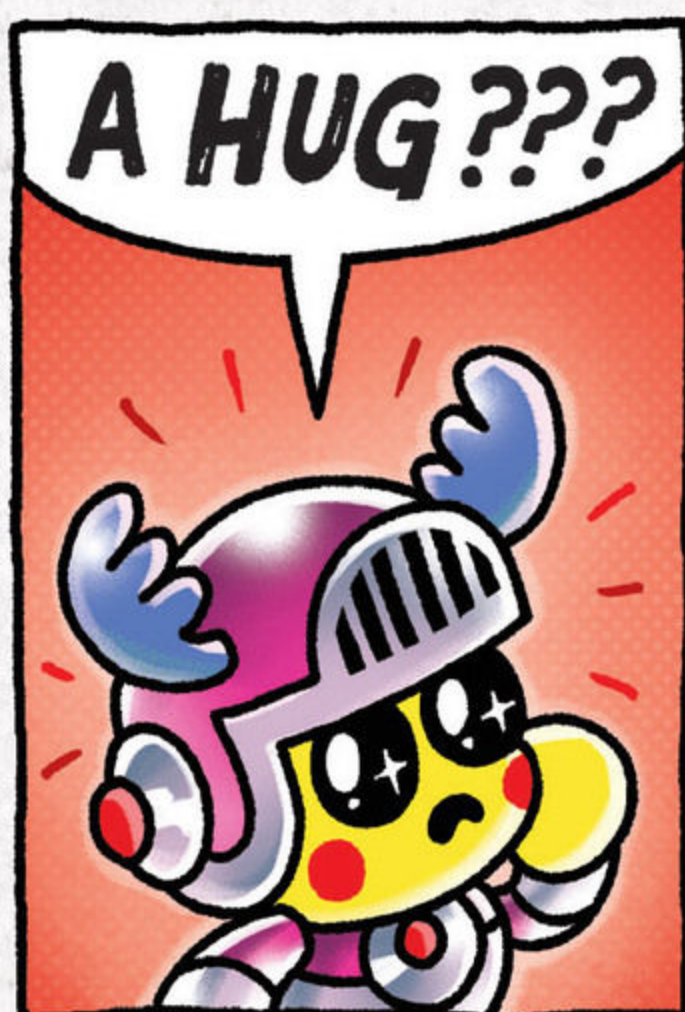
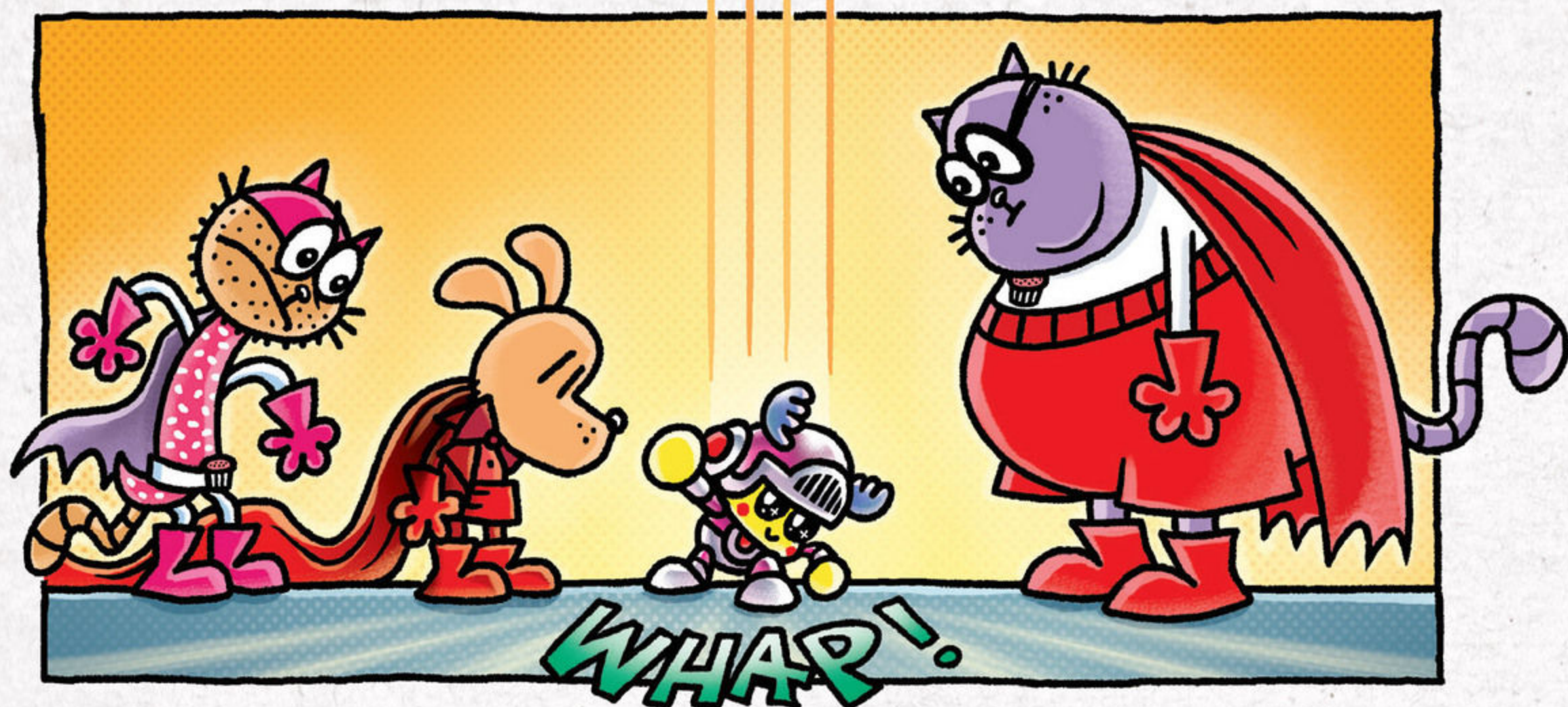
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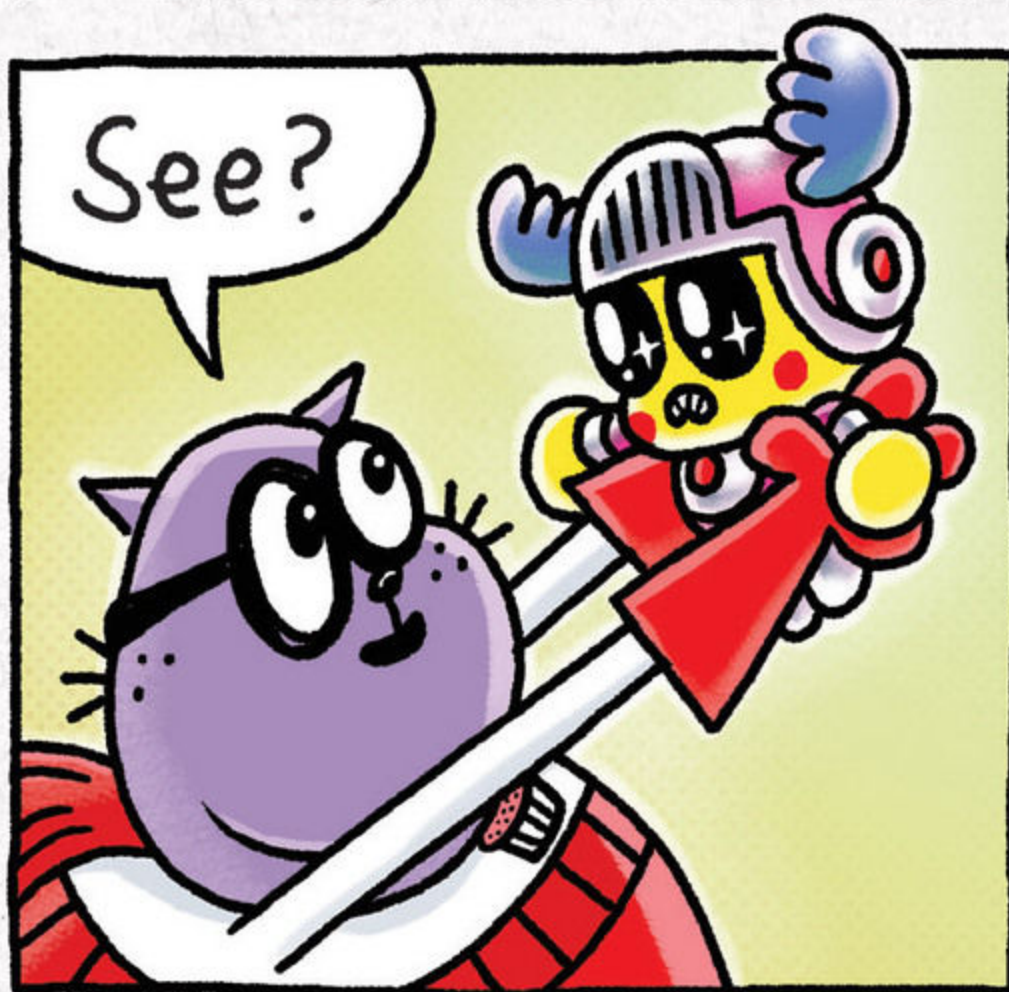
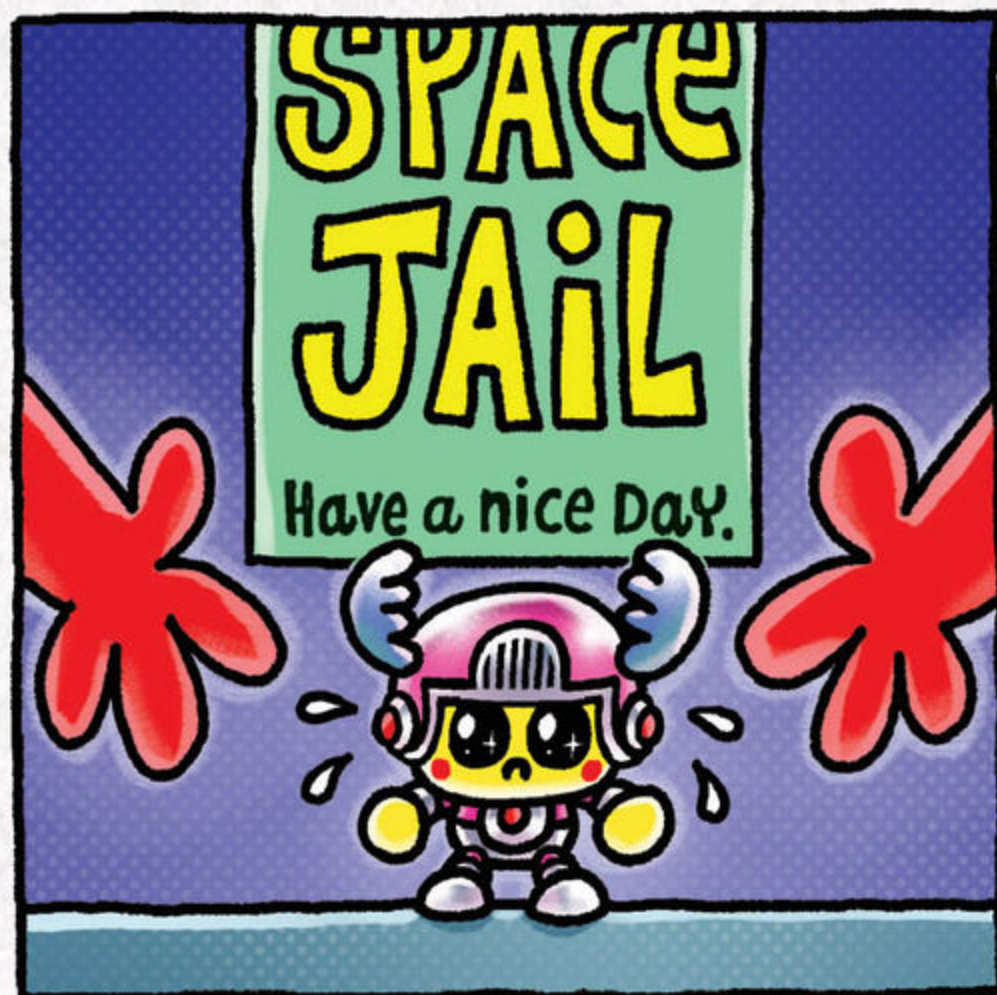
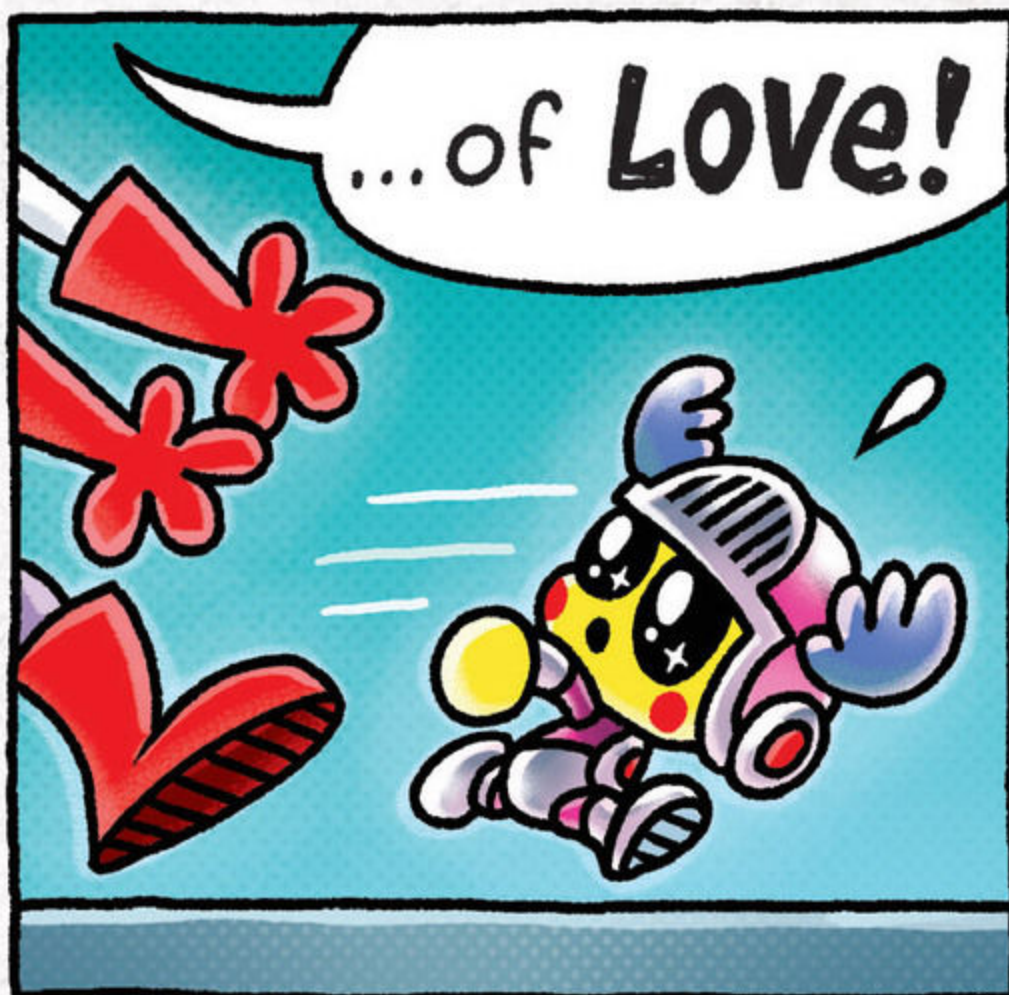
Free HUGS

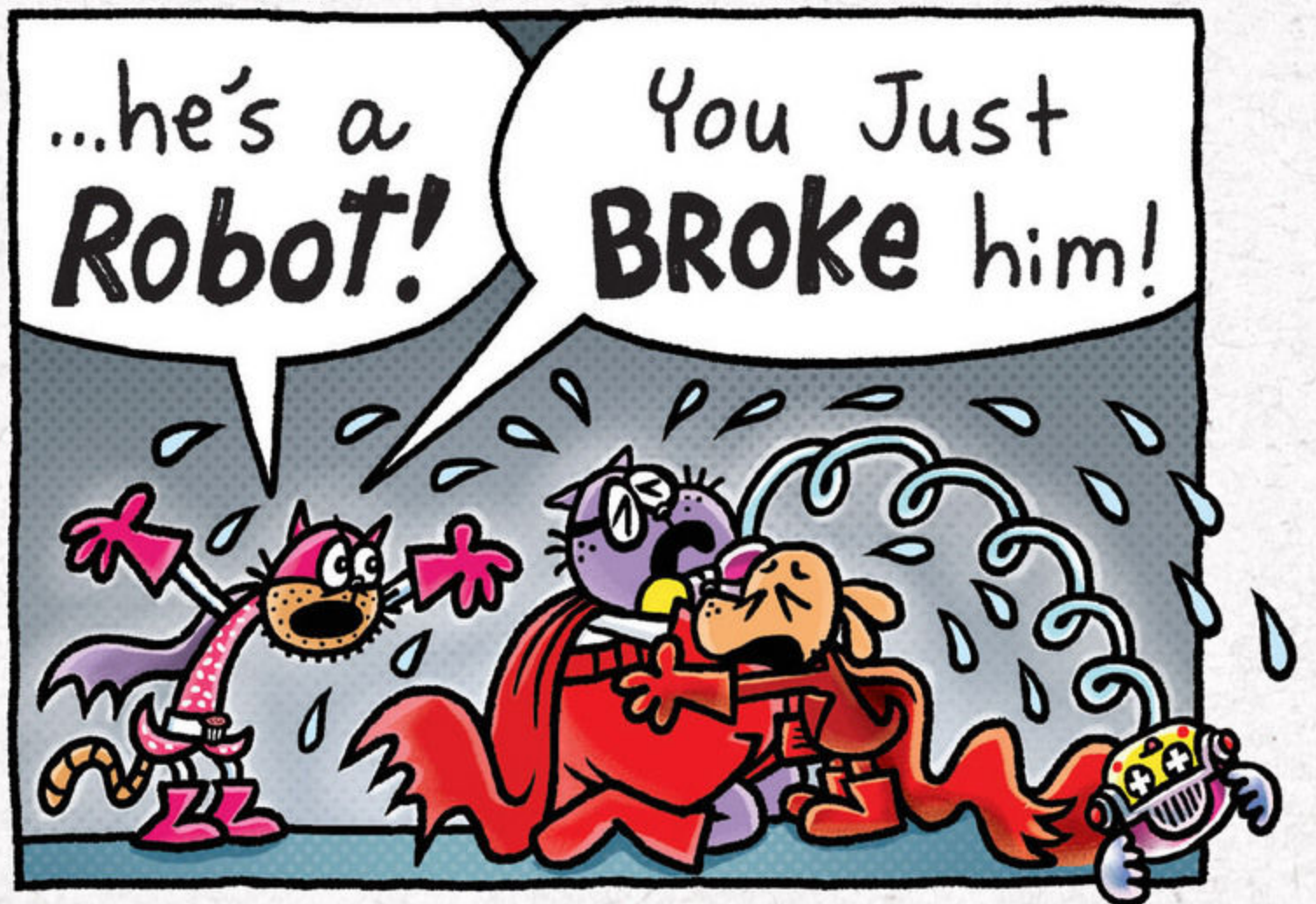
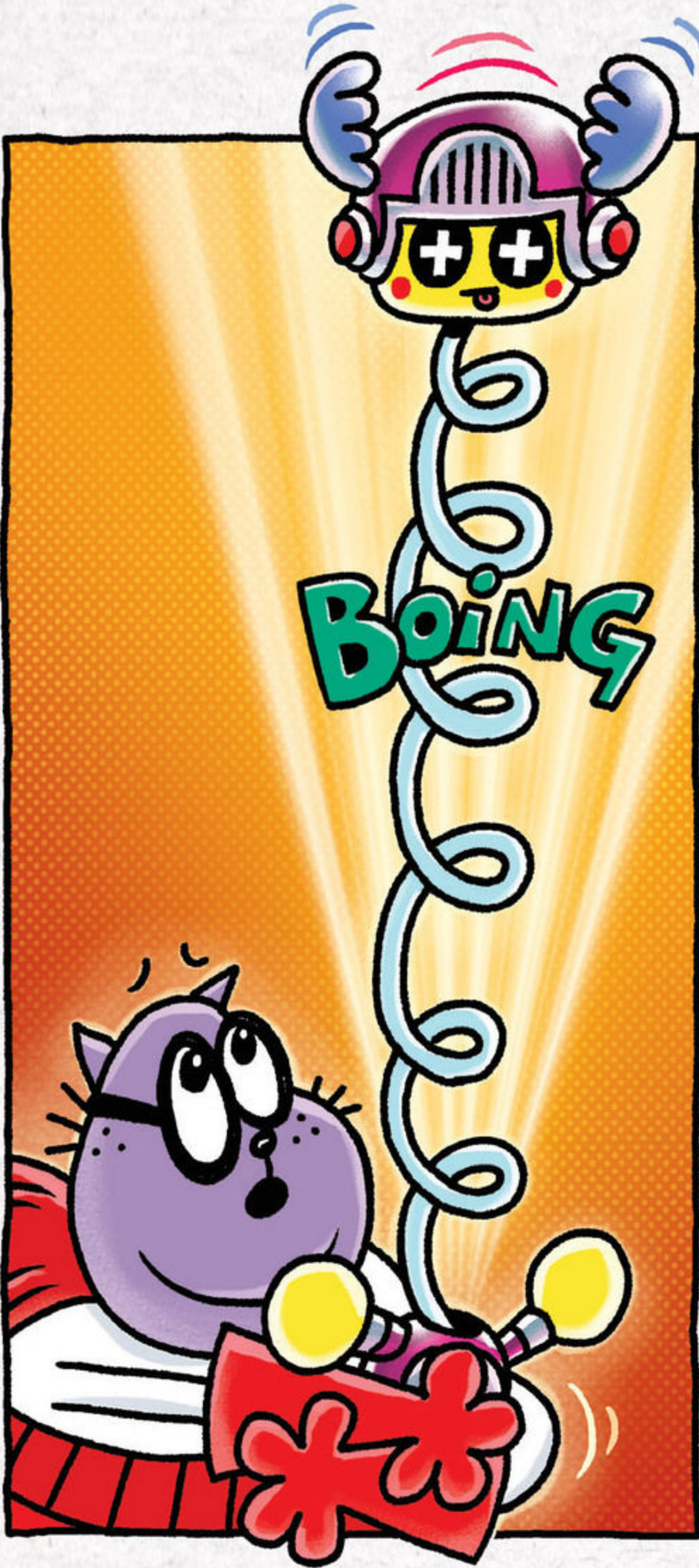












THEY'RE ALLERGIC
to HUGS!!!



ALLERGIC
to HUGS!!!



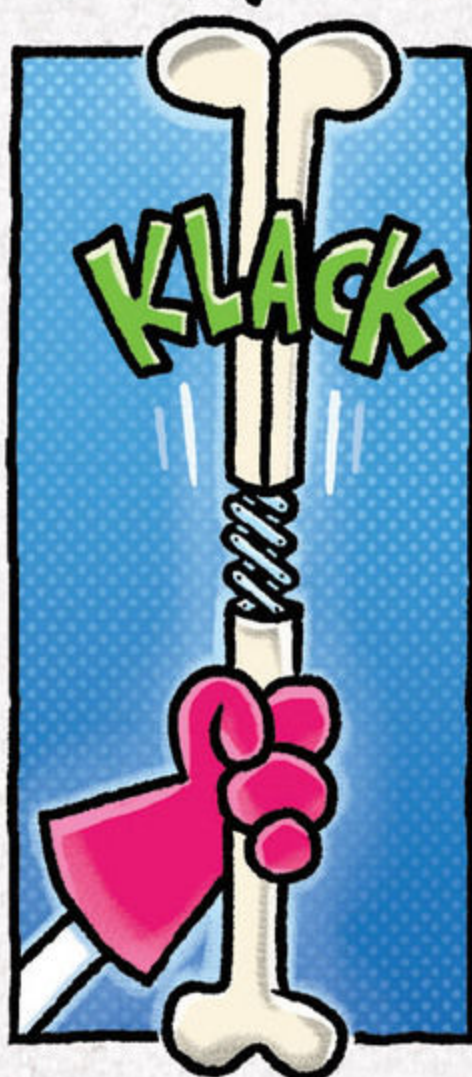
Allergic to
HUGS, eh?



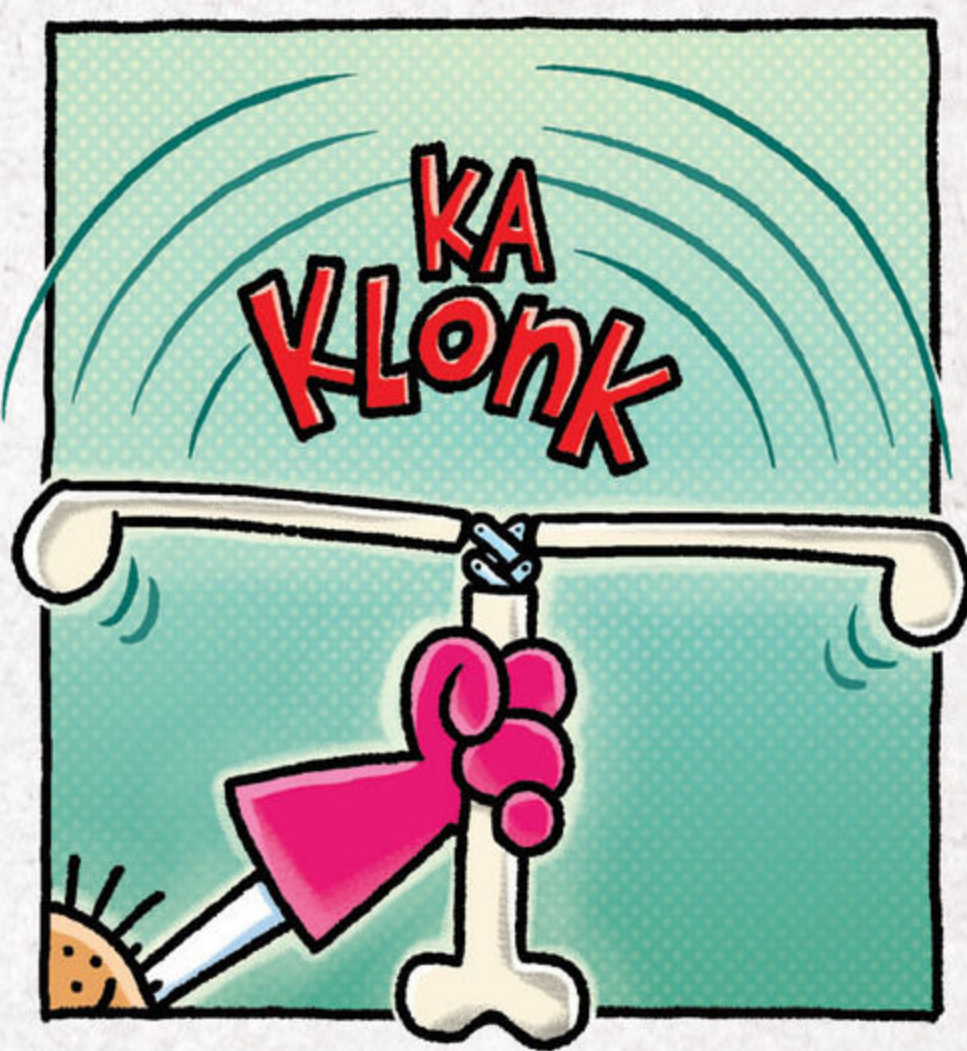
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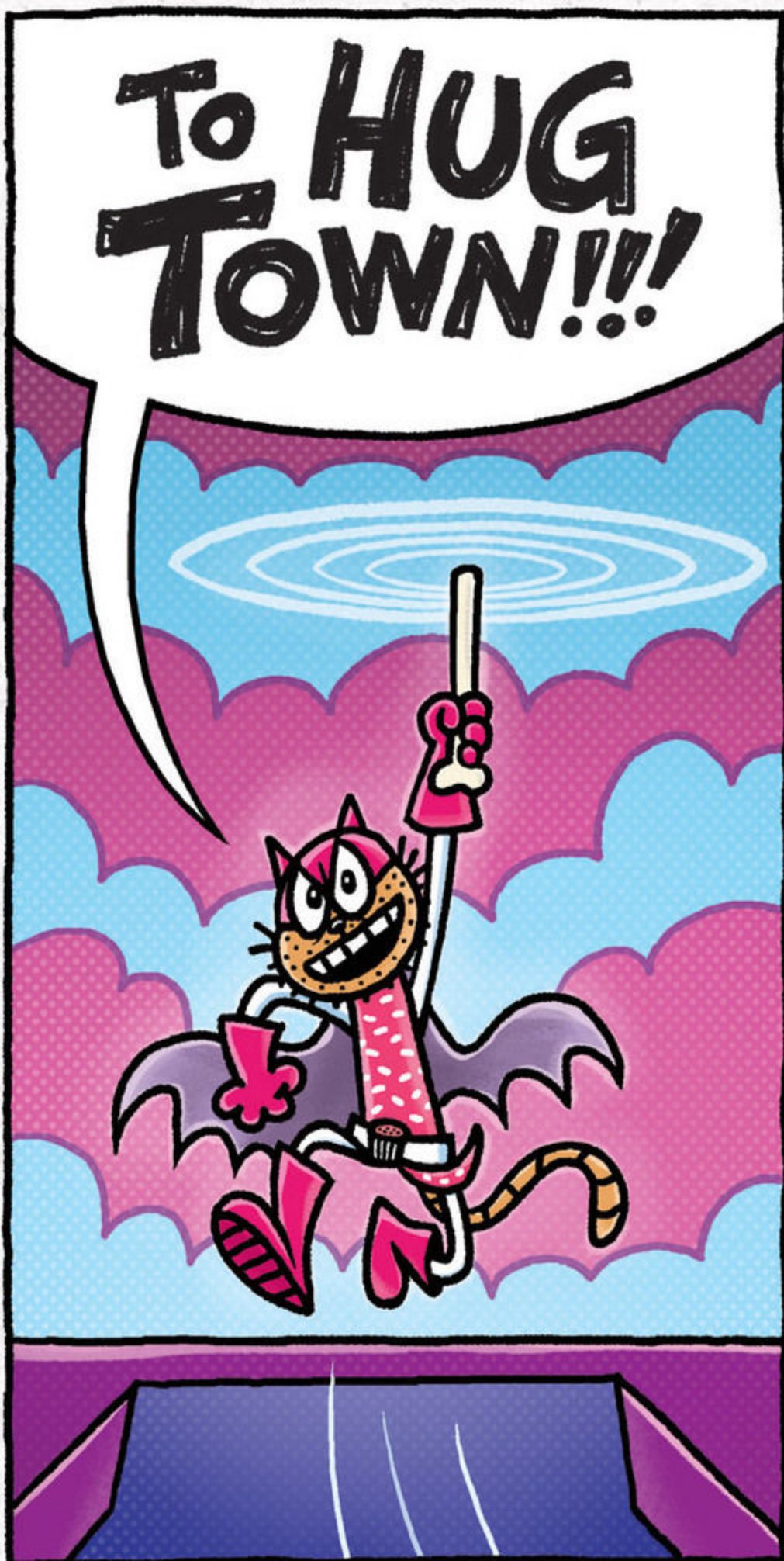
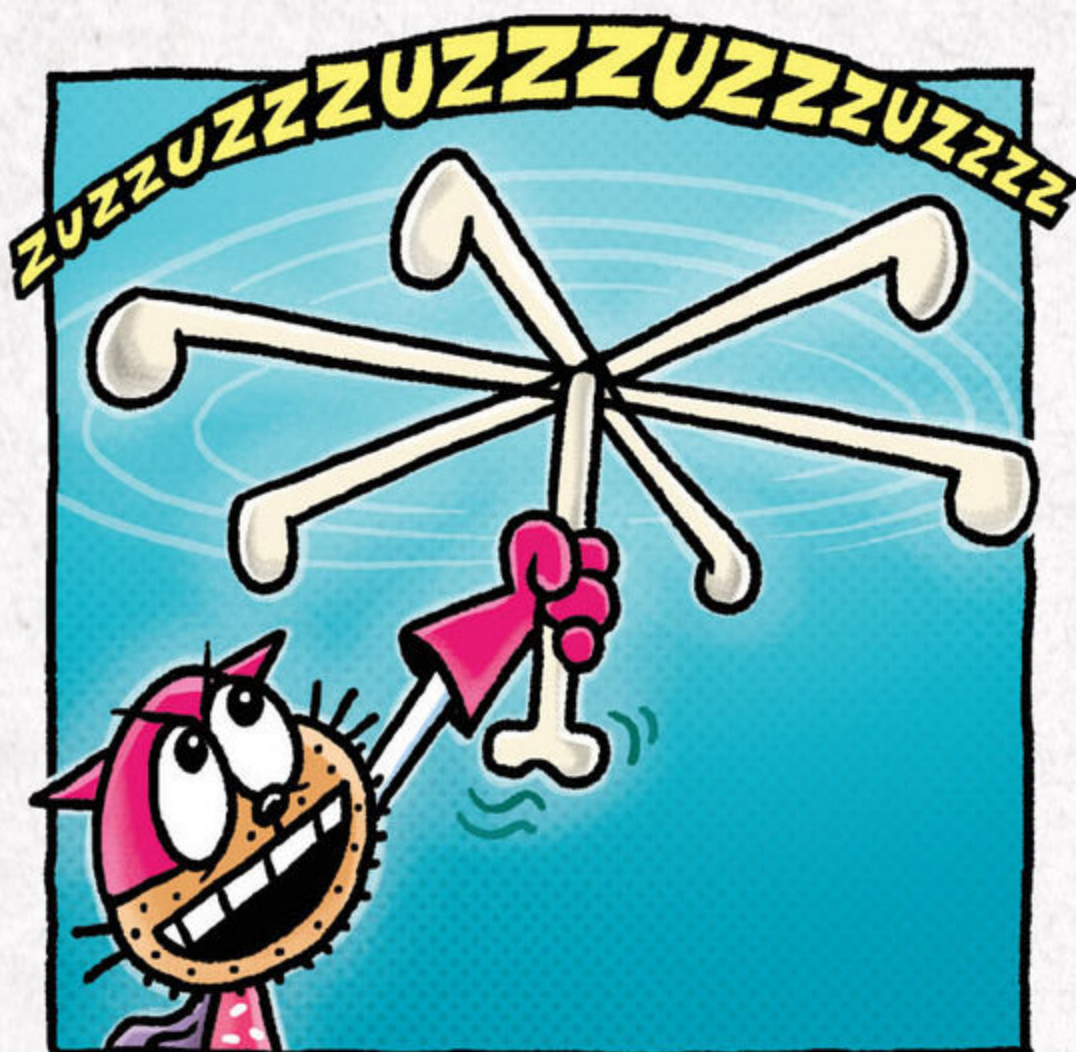


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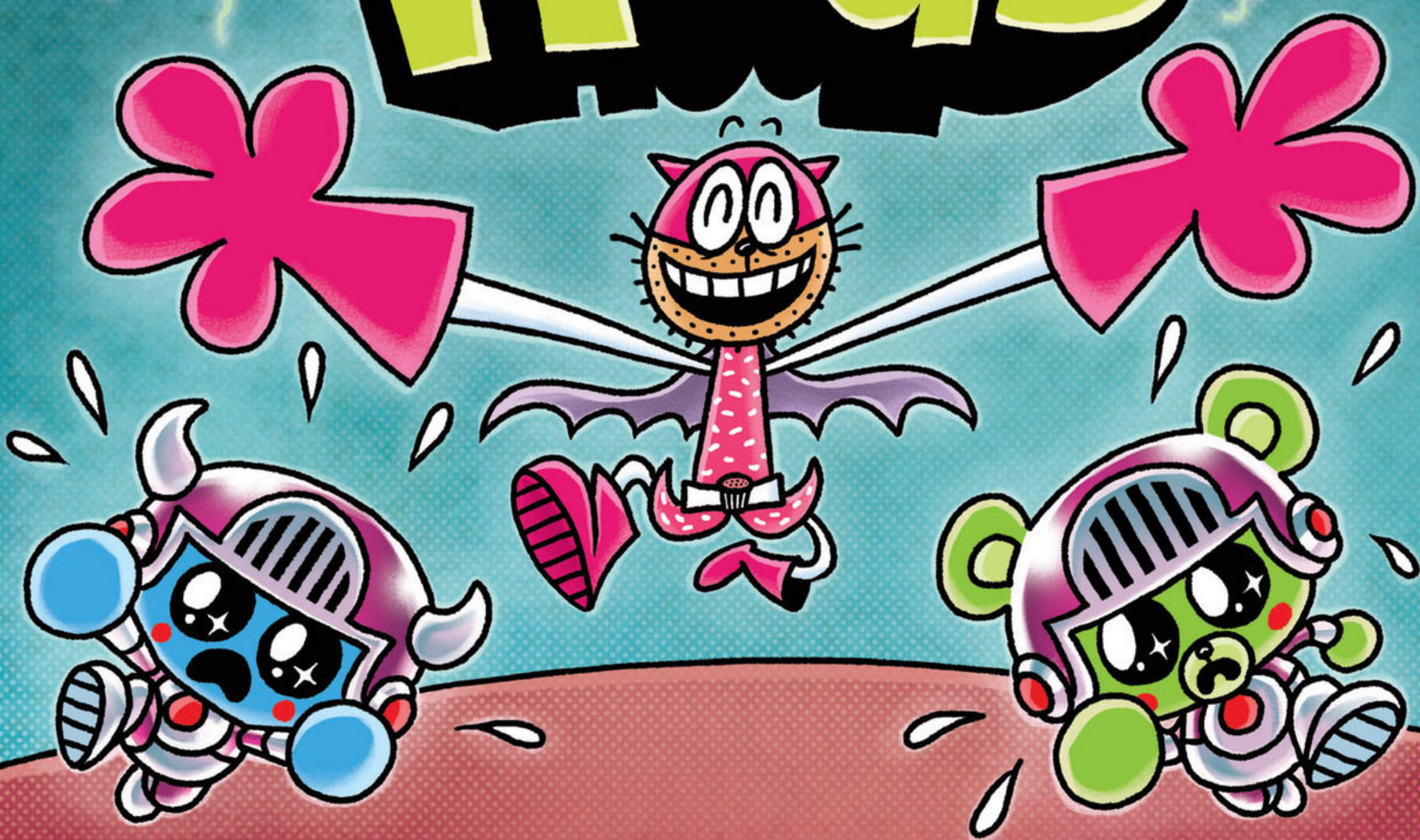
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KLOH

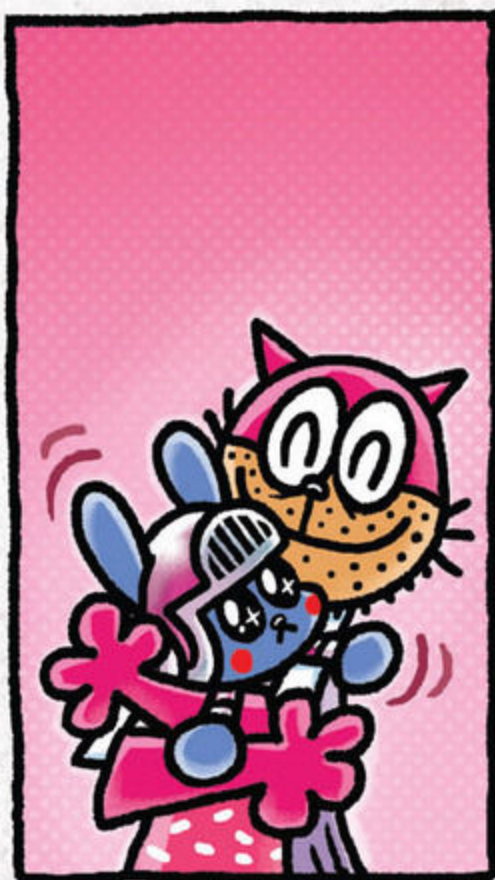
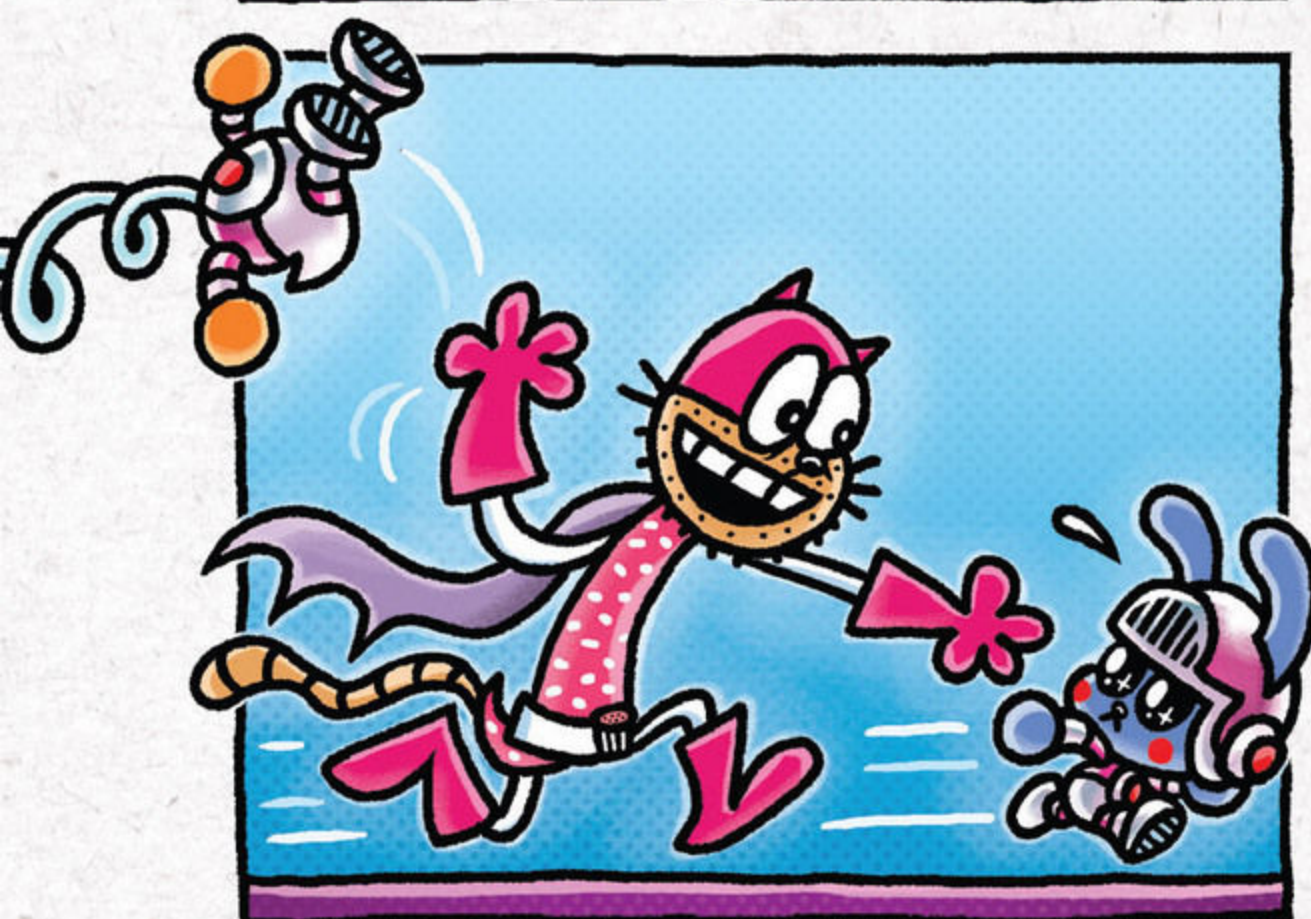




CHAPTER 16

NIGHT OF THE LOVING HUGS





READY?

FLiP E-RAMA



SPRiNG is in the AiR

FLiP-E-RAMA



SPRiNG is in the AiR

CALLING
PLANET
PRECIOUS!!!



We're Under
ATTACK!!!



Send MORE
SPACESHIPS!!!

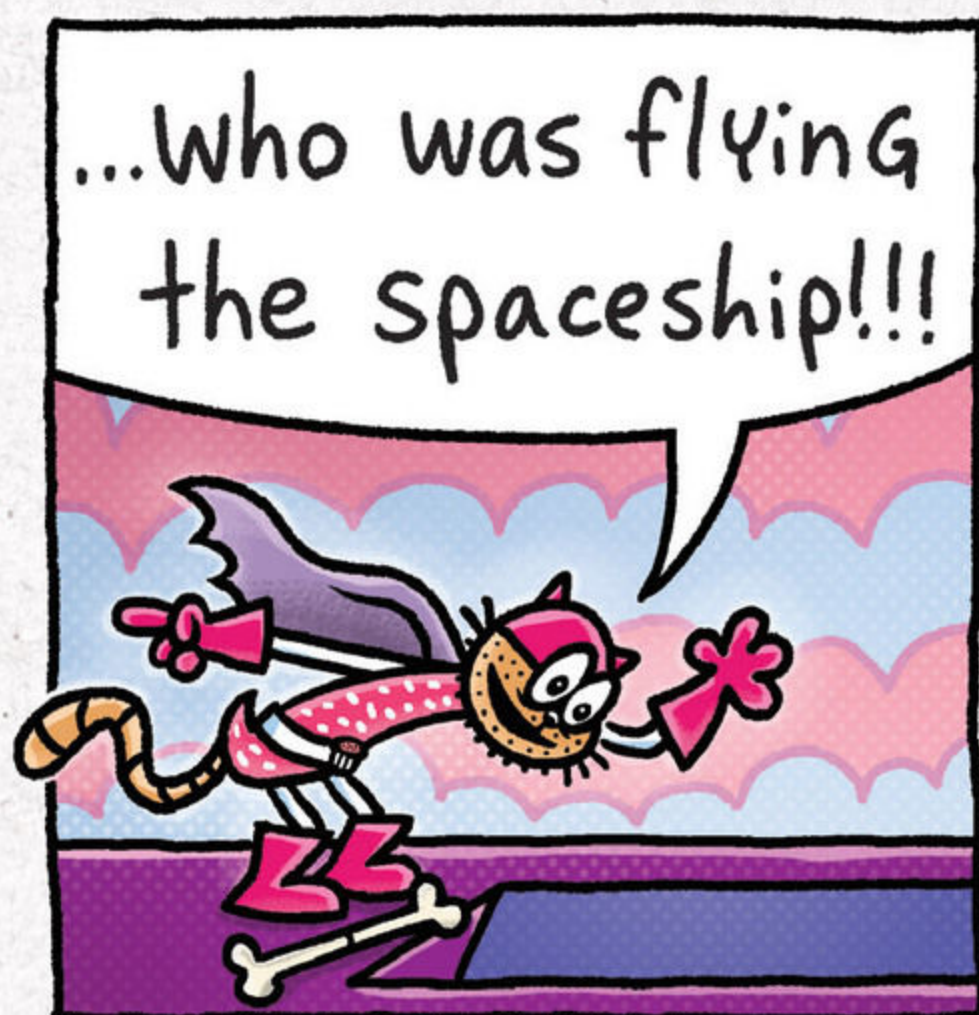


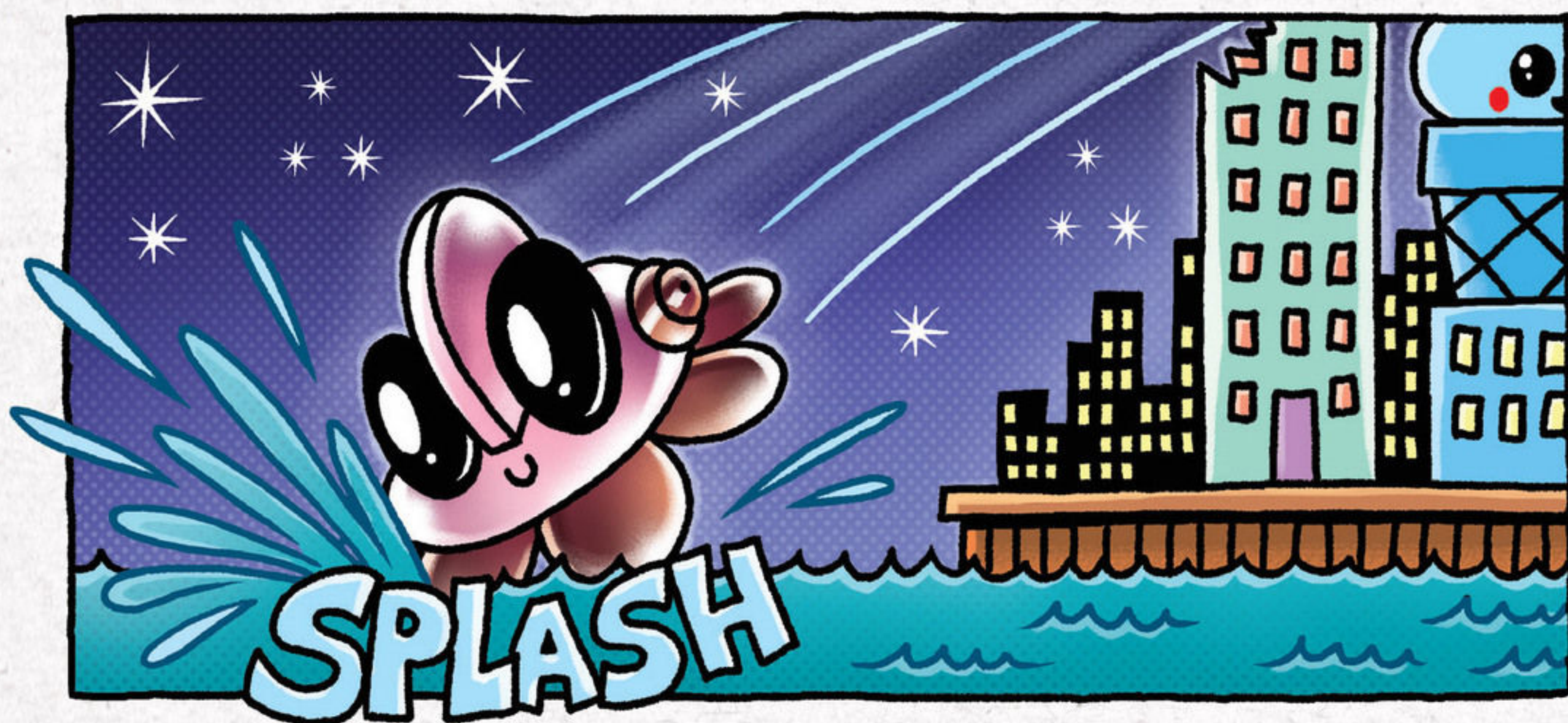
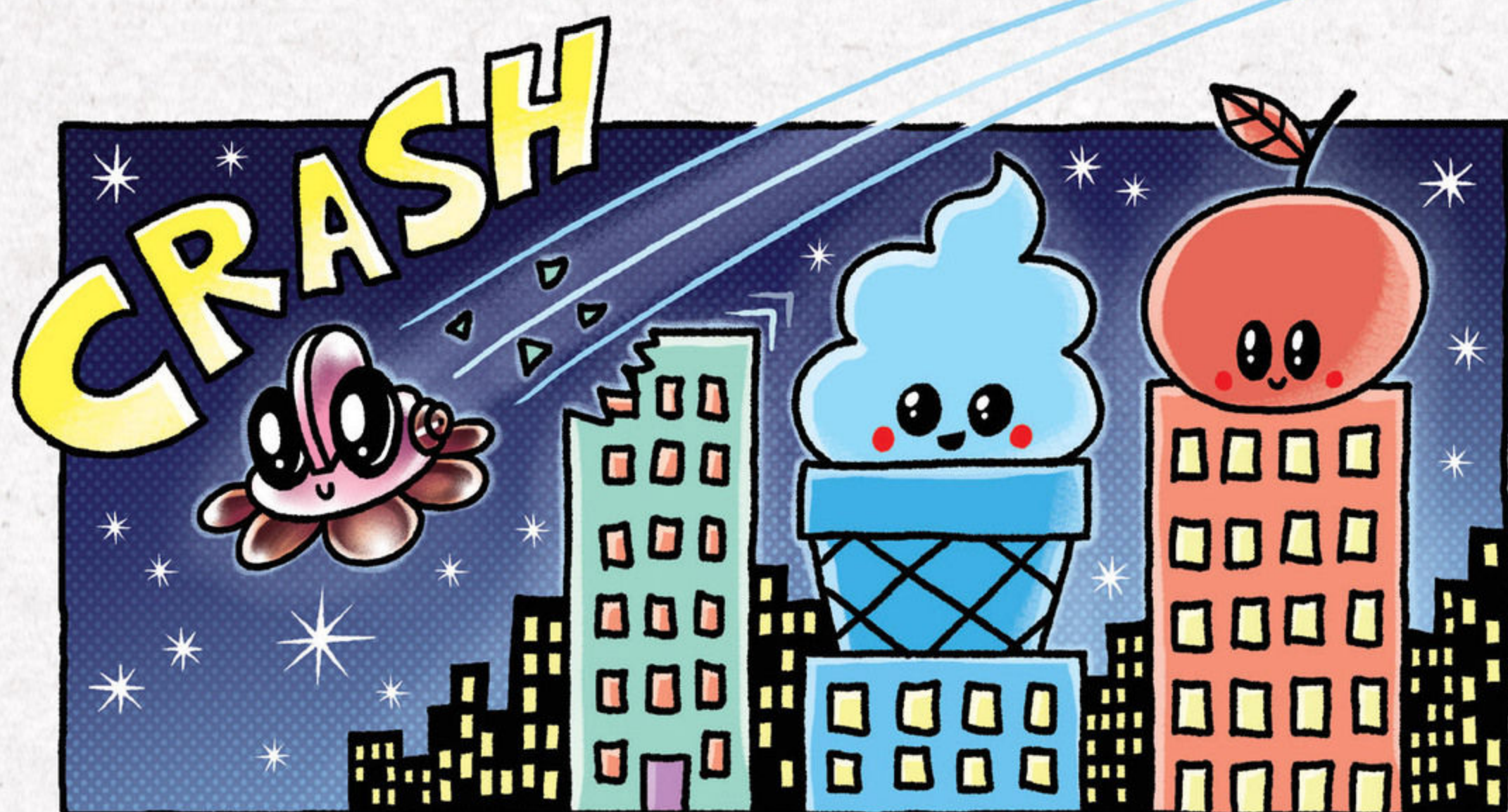
AVENGE US!!!



I've never felt
So **ALive!!!**











You Just **Killed**
EVERYBODY!!!



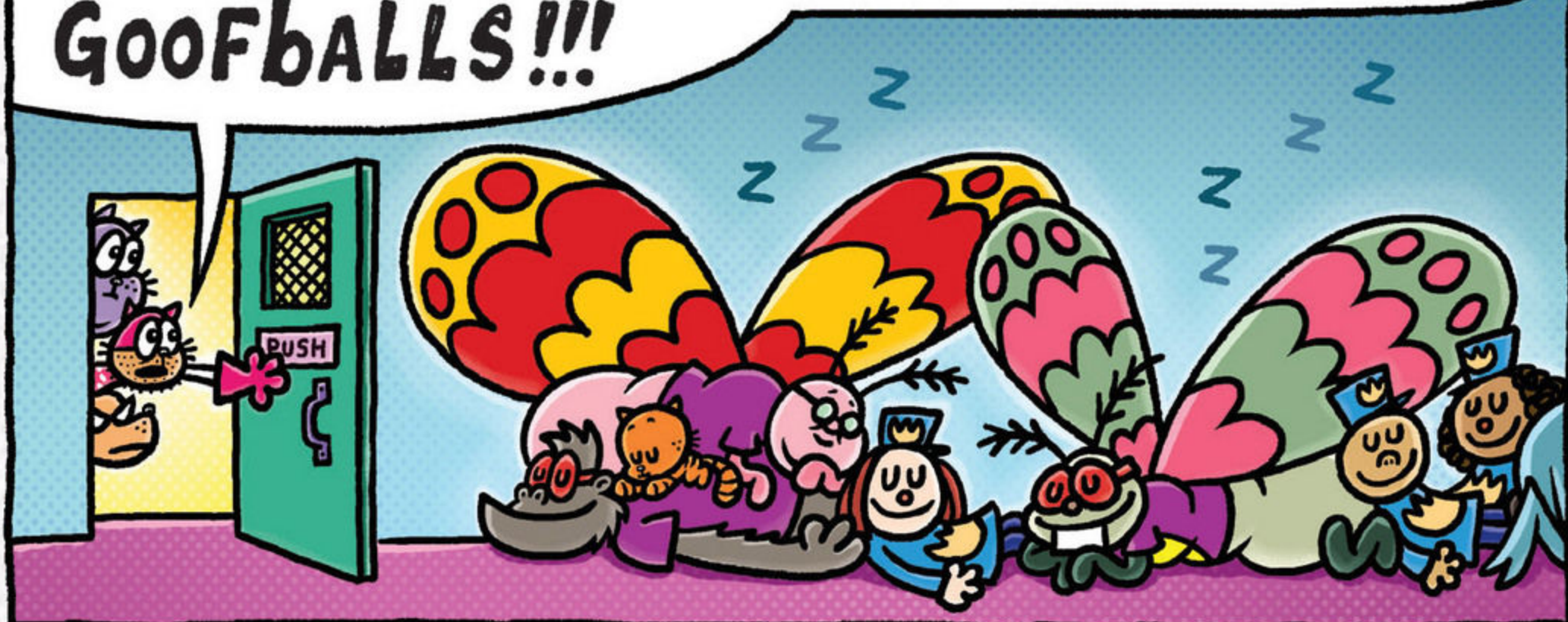
That's **Not** how
Kindness **WORKS!!!**



Aw, they were Just **ROBOTS!**
Gimme a **Break!!!**



Now we Just have to wake up *These*
GOOFBALLS!!!



But how???



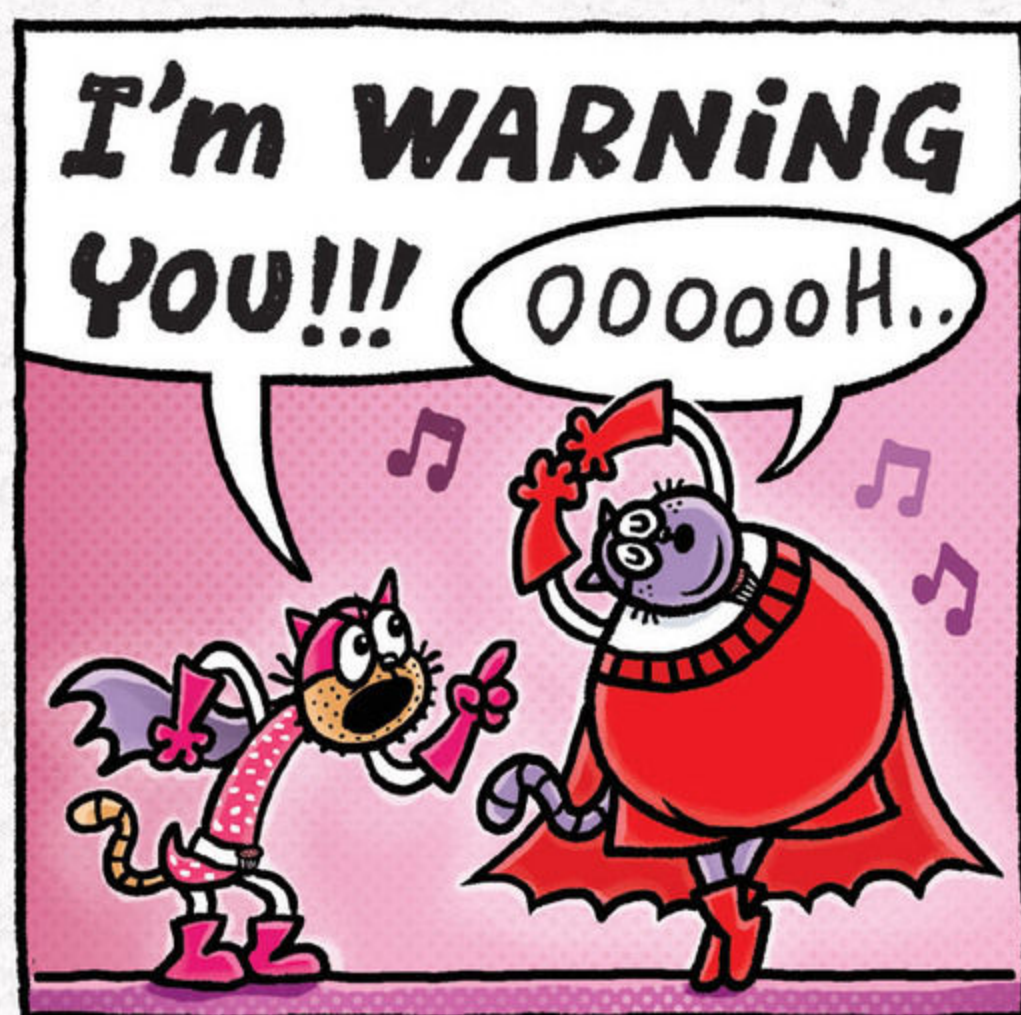
I've Got an
idea...



**DON'T YOU
DARE!!!**



**I'm WARNING
YOU!!!** OOOOOH..

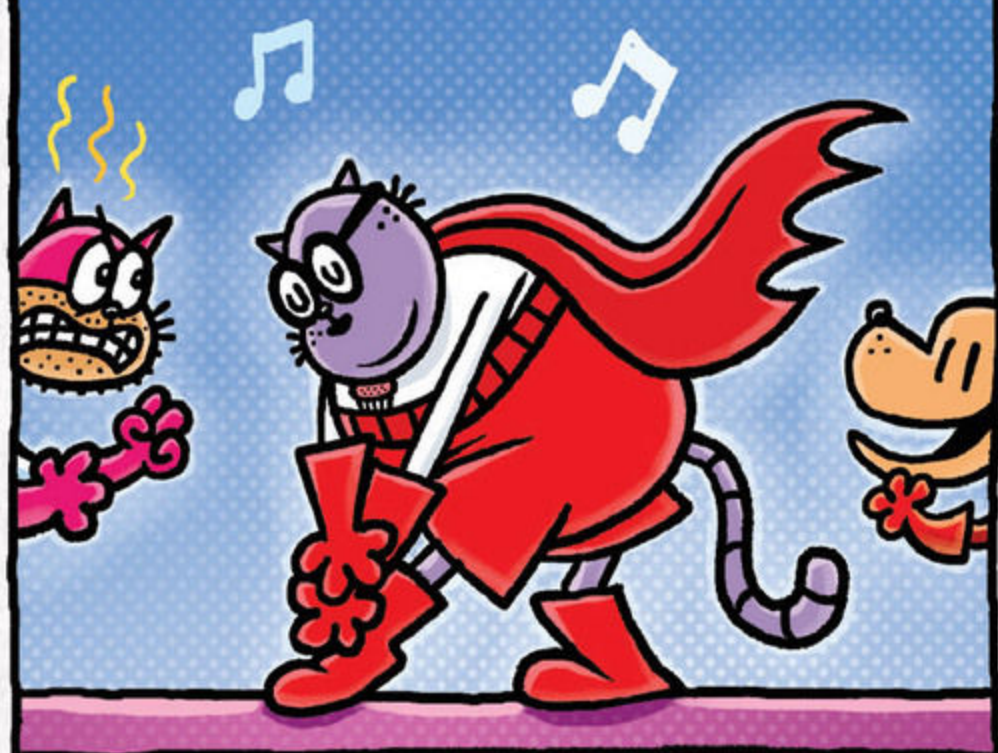


CHAPTER 17

WAKKEY WAKKEY (reprise)



Wakey, Wakey...



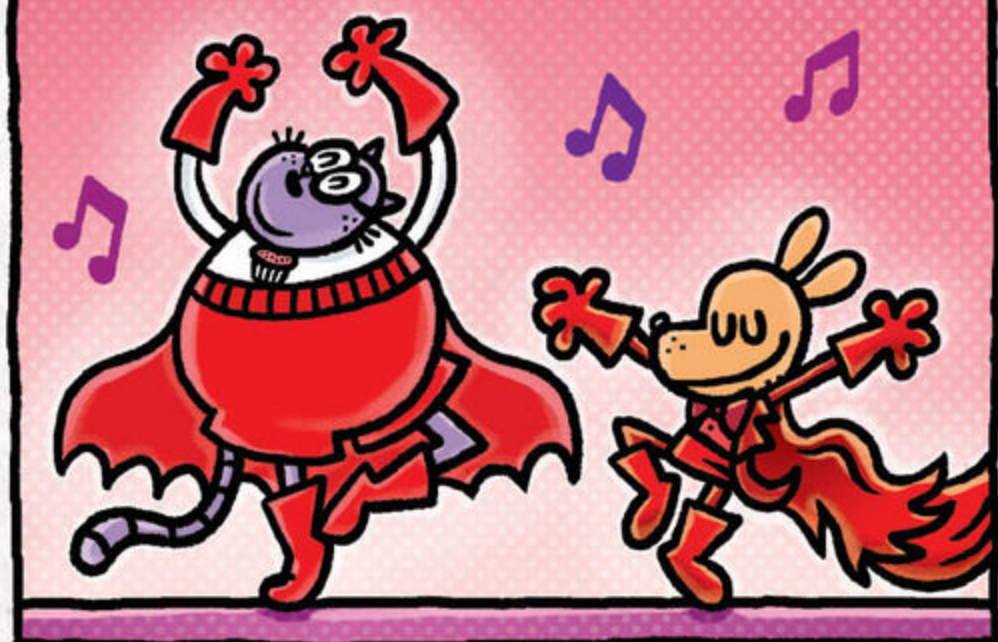
...Chocolate
Shakey...



...Sipping with a Straw...



... I Love
French Fries...



... I Love Moon
Pies...



...I Love 
Cabbage Slaw!



Ooooooh...



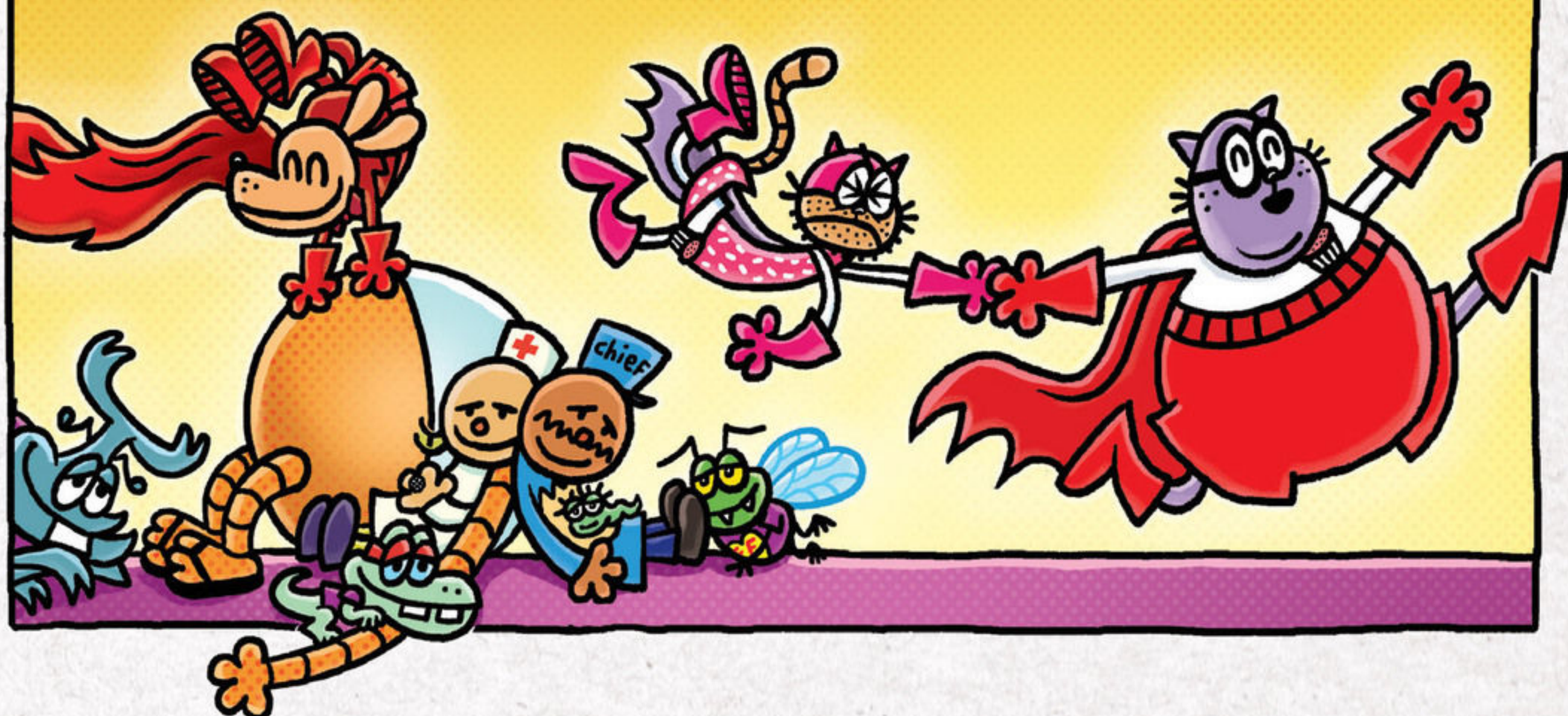
...Wakey, Wakey...

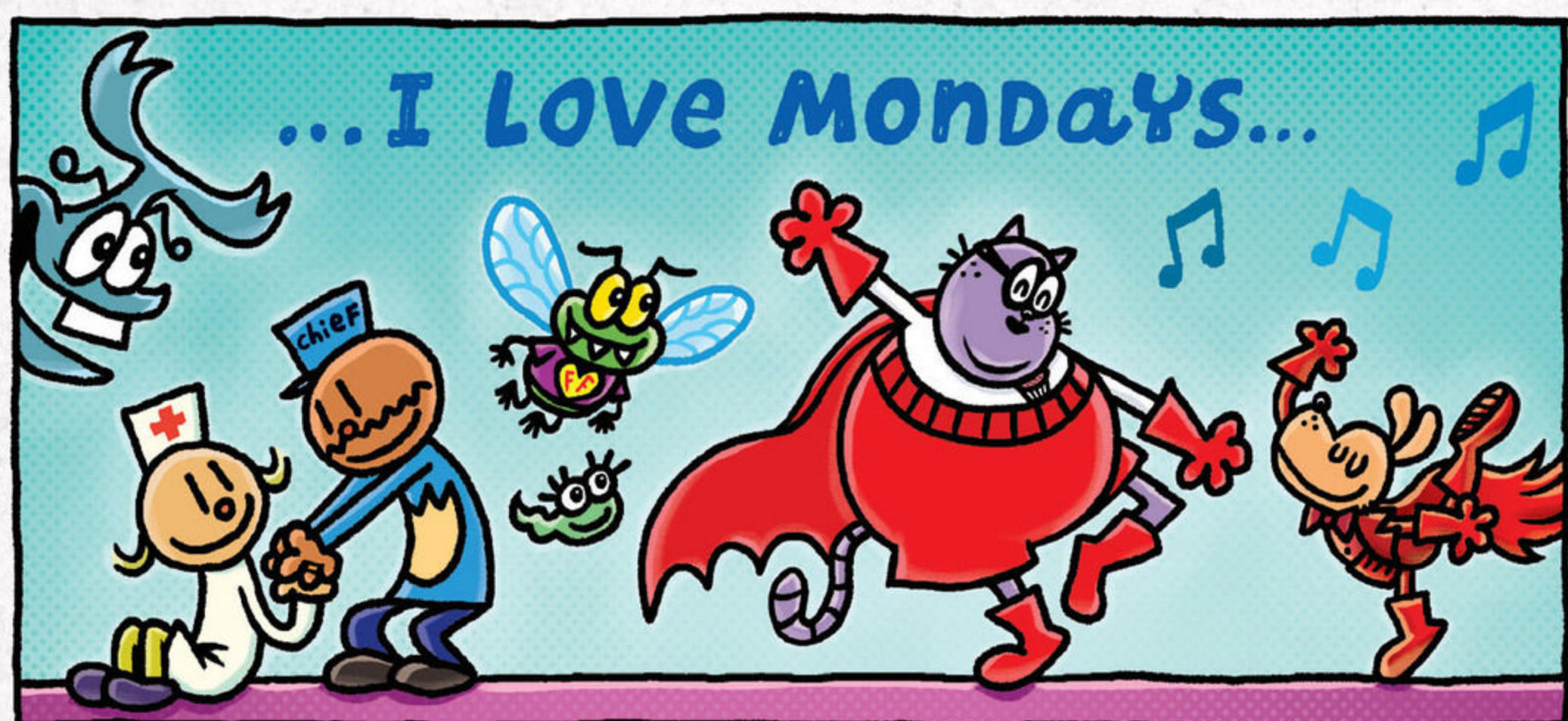
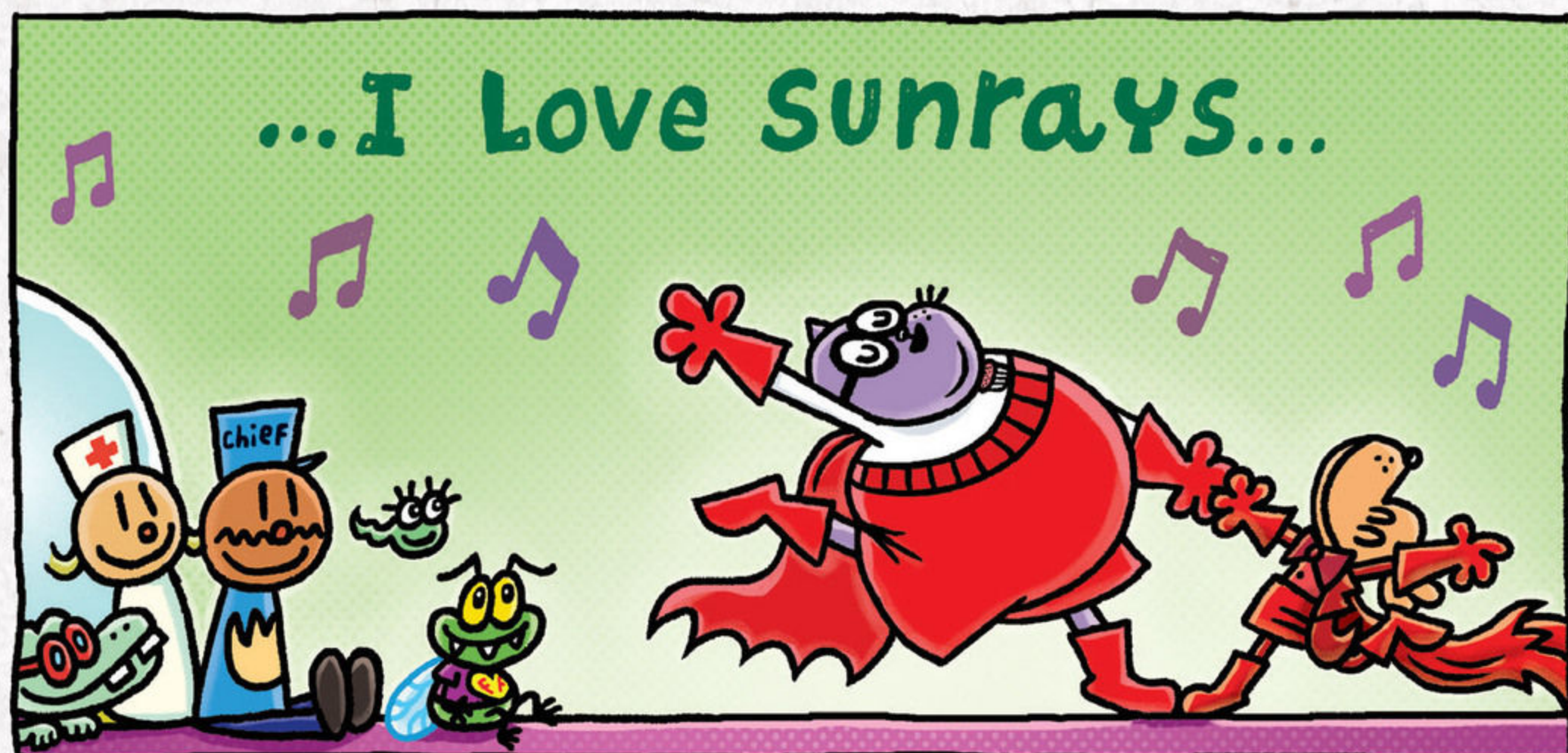


...Cuppy CAkey...



...FLAVORFUL and Fun...







Hey, wait
a Minute...



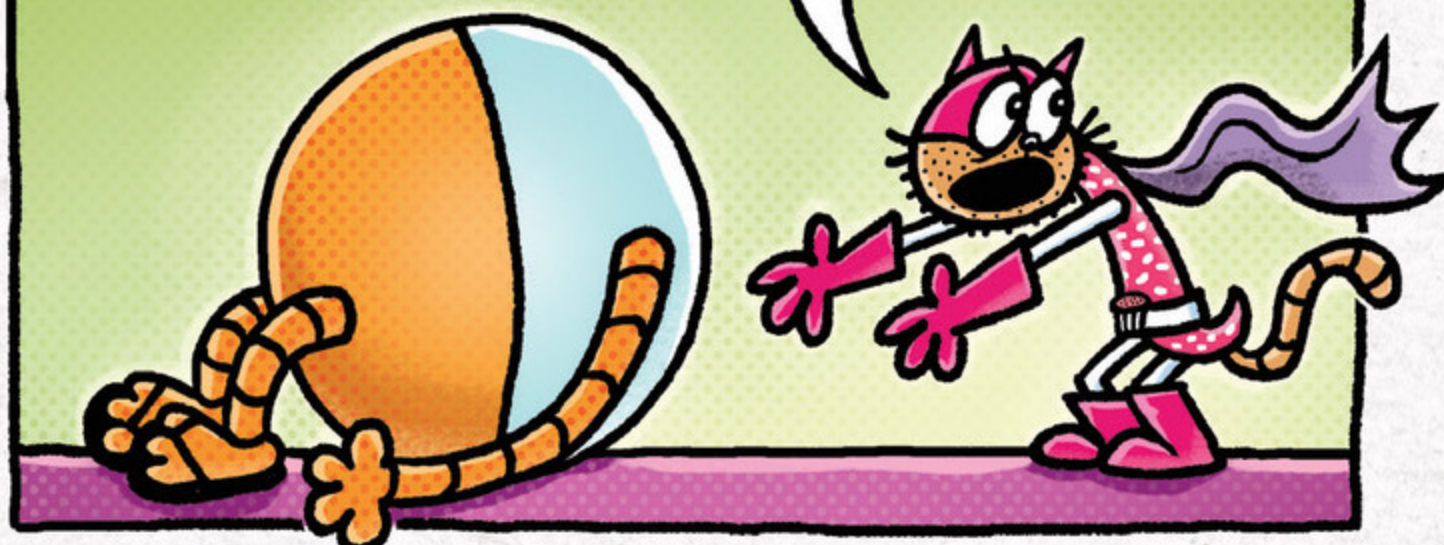
I'M the one who
SAVED the WORLD!!!



And
Look!!!



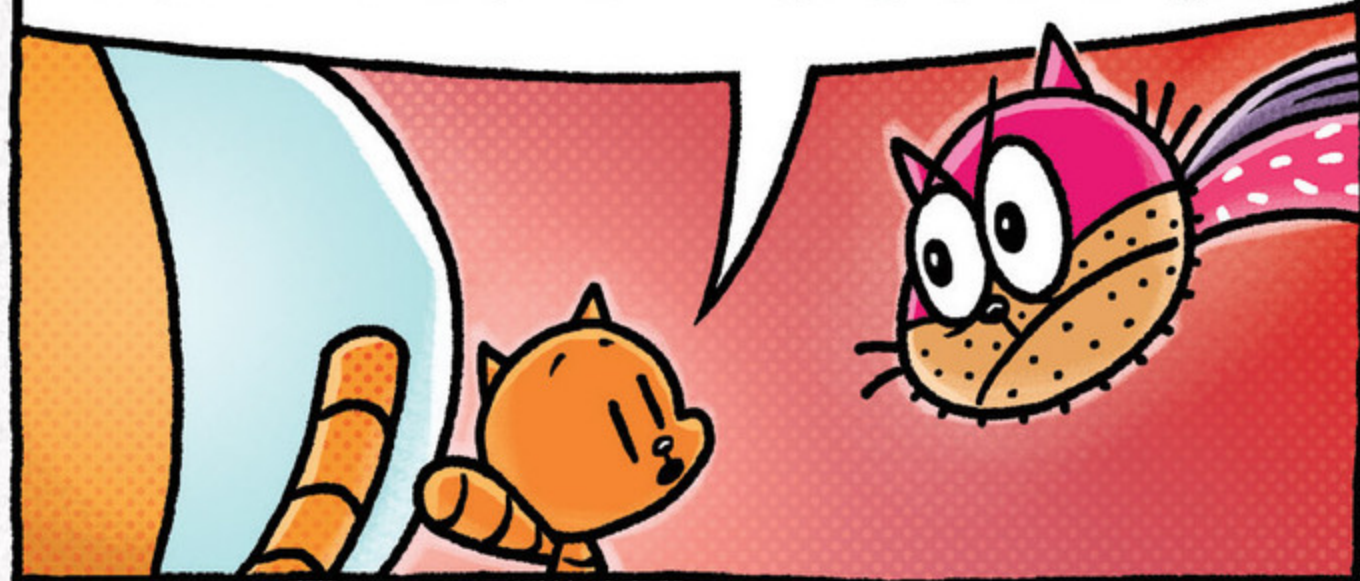
This **ROBOT DUDE**
is **STILL ASLEEP!!!**



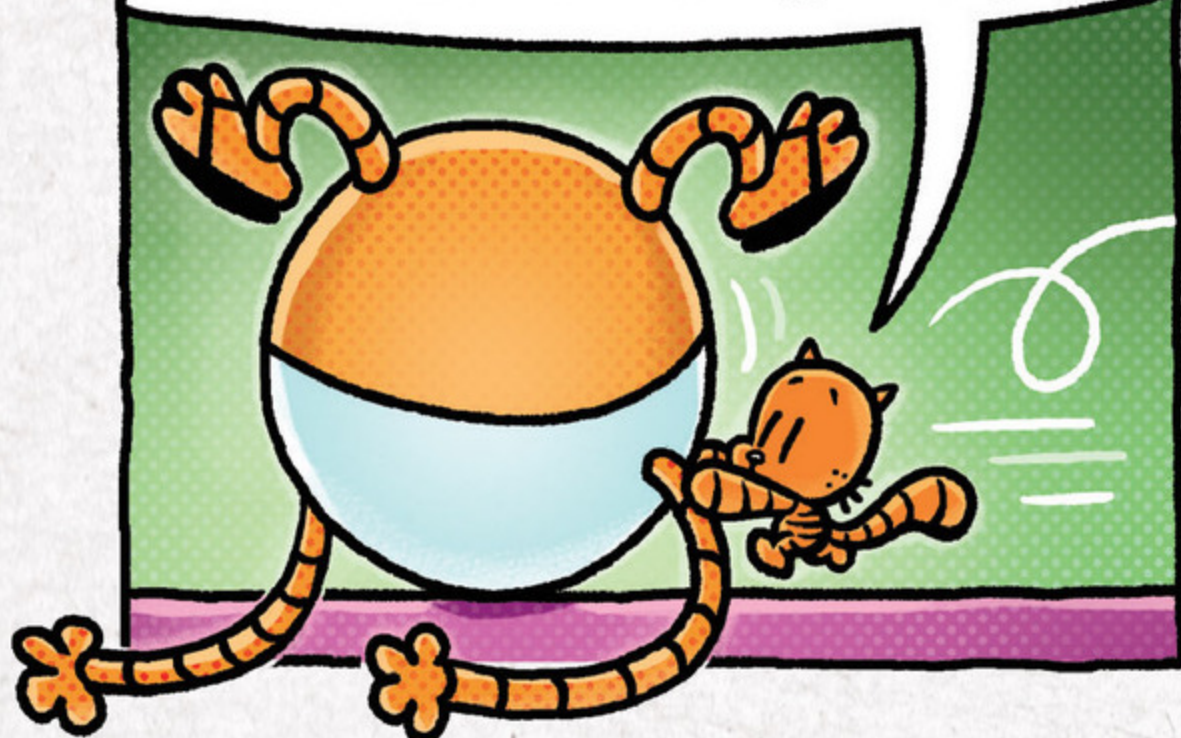
He's not
sleeping.



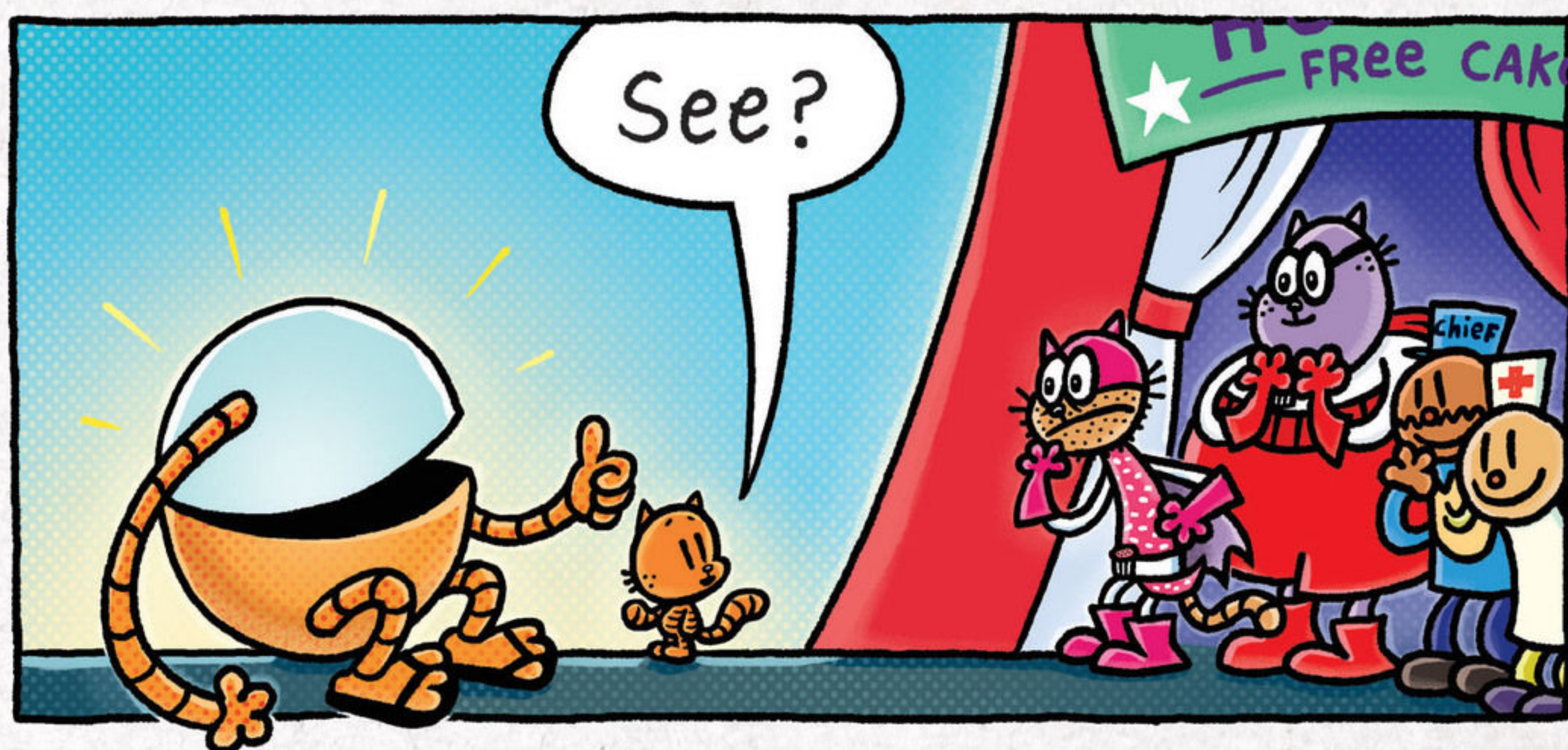
His **SOLAR Battery**
ran out of **Juice!!!**



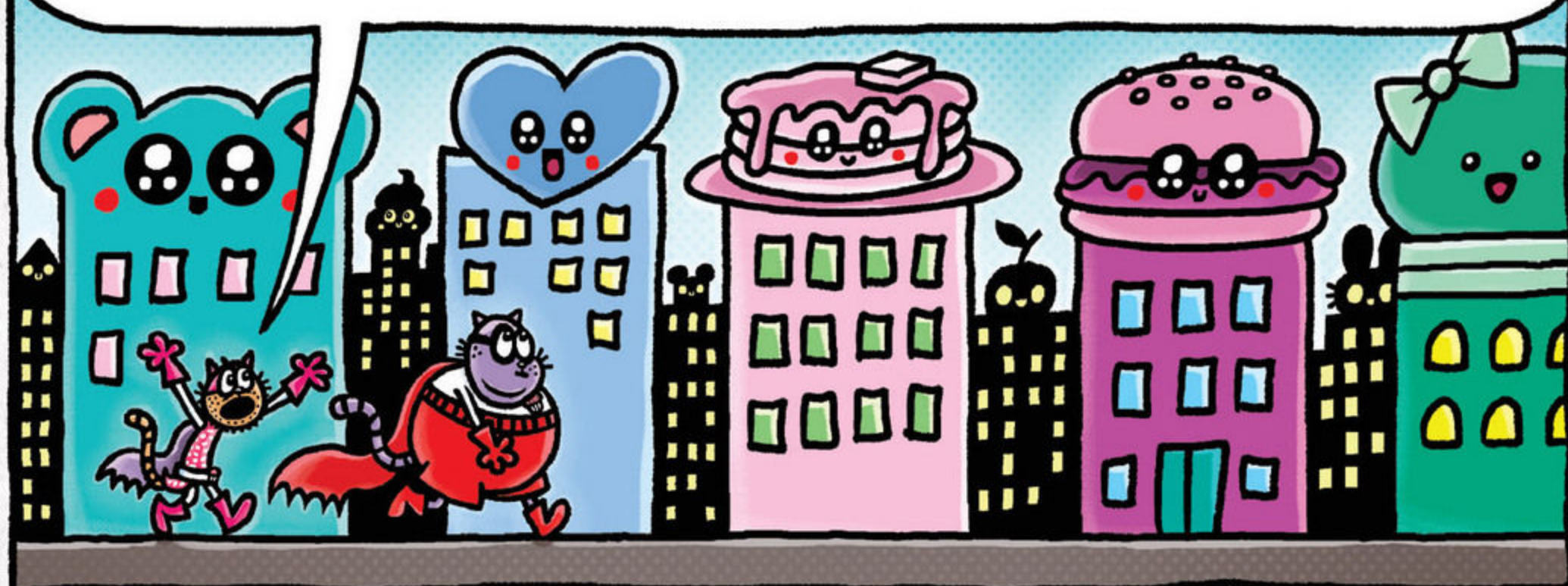
If we **ROLL** him
out in the **SUN...**



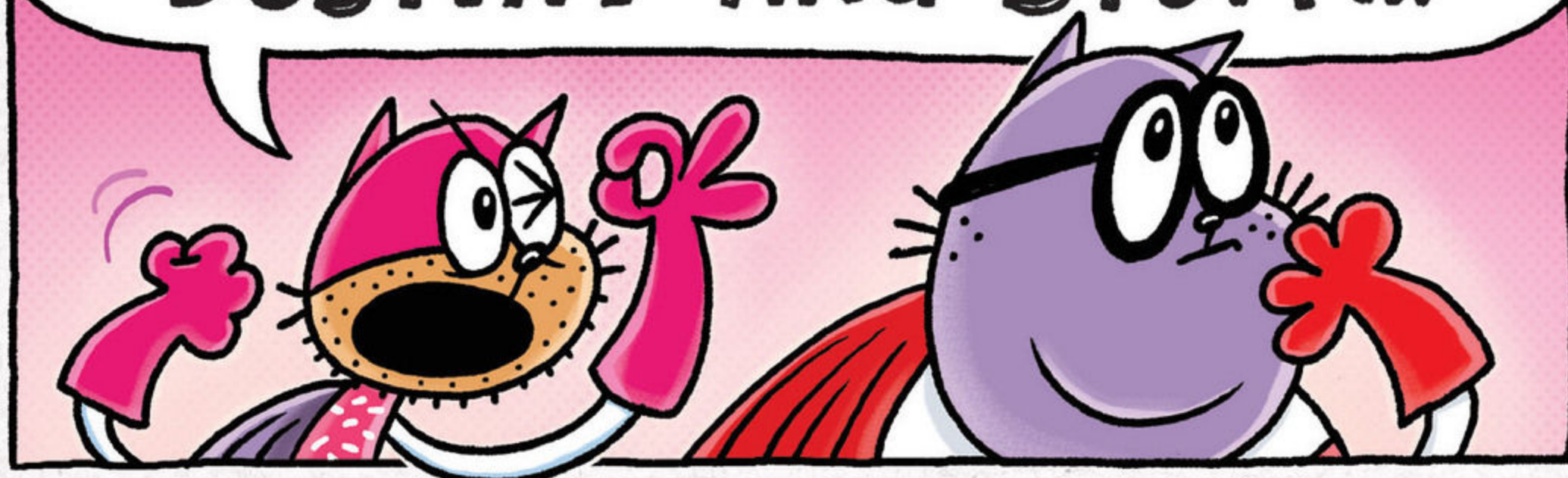
... he'll be as
GOOD as **NEW!**



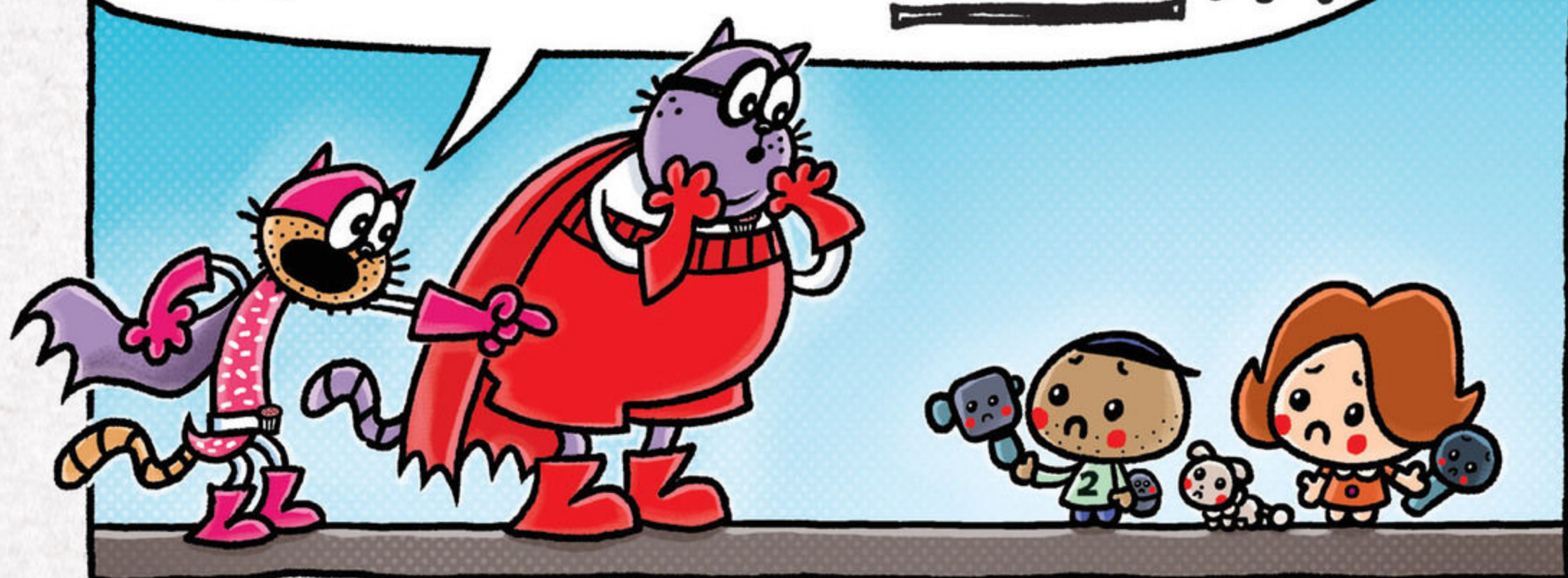
The **Buildings** look Like **CARTOONS**...



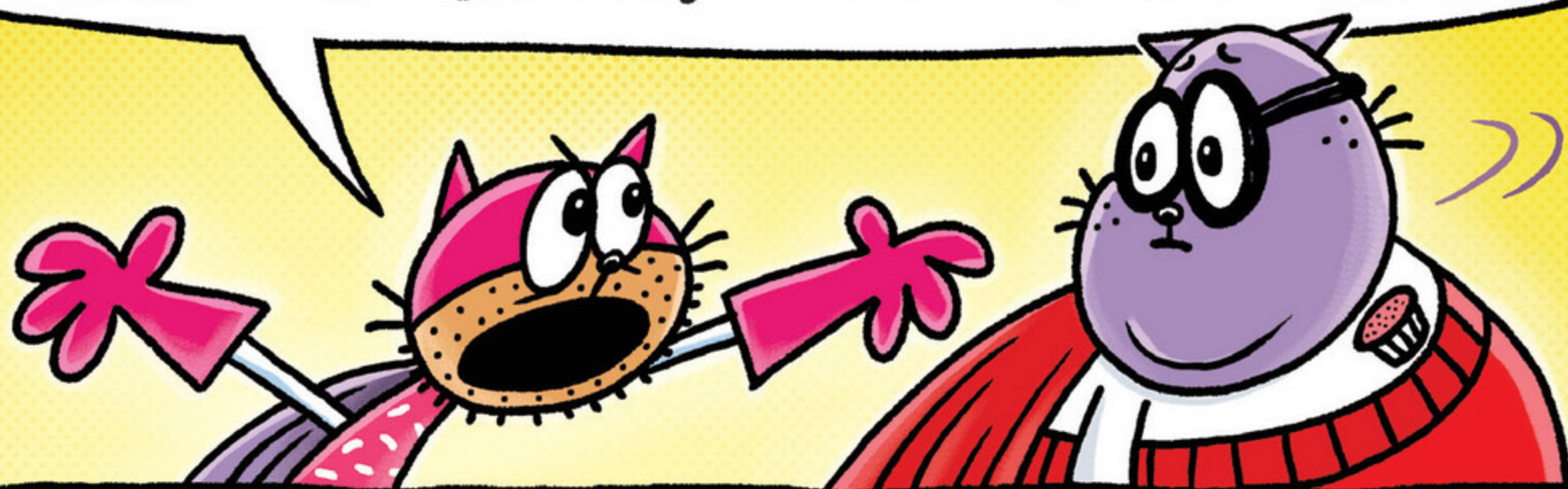
... We never found the **RING** of
Destiny And **STUFF**...



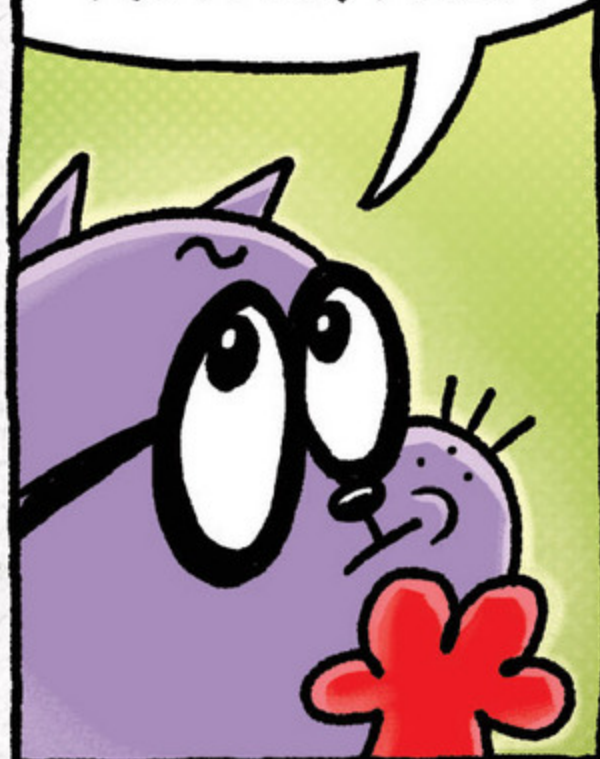
... And what about **THEM???**



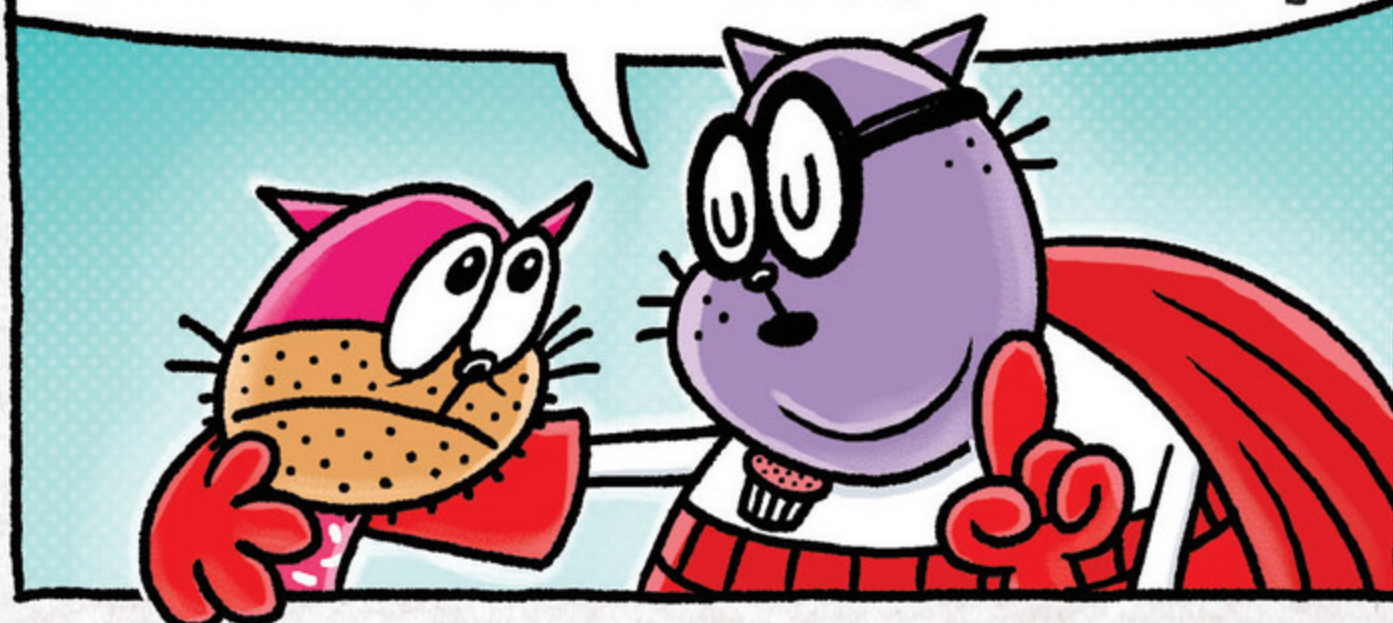
This story has MORE Loose Ends
than a SPAGHETTI DINNER!!!



Hmmm...



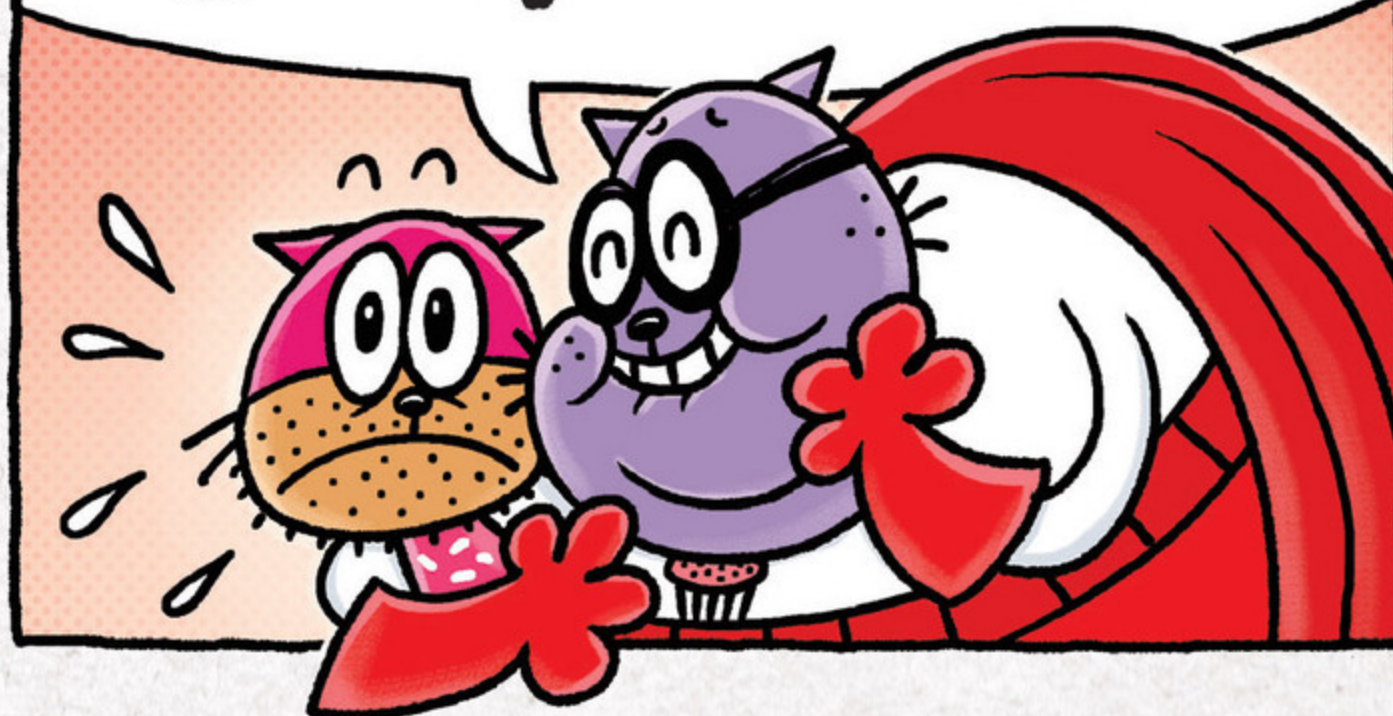
Sprinkles, that can
only mean **one thing.**

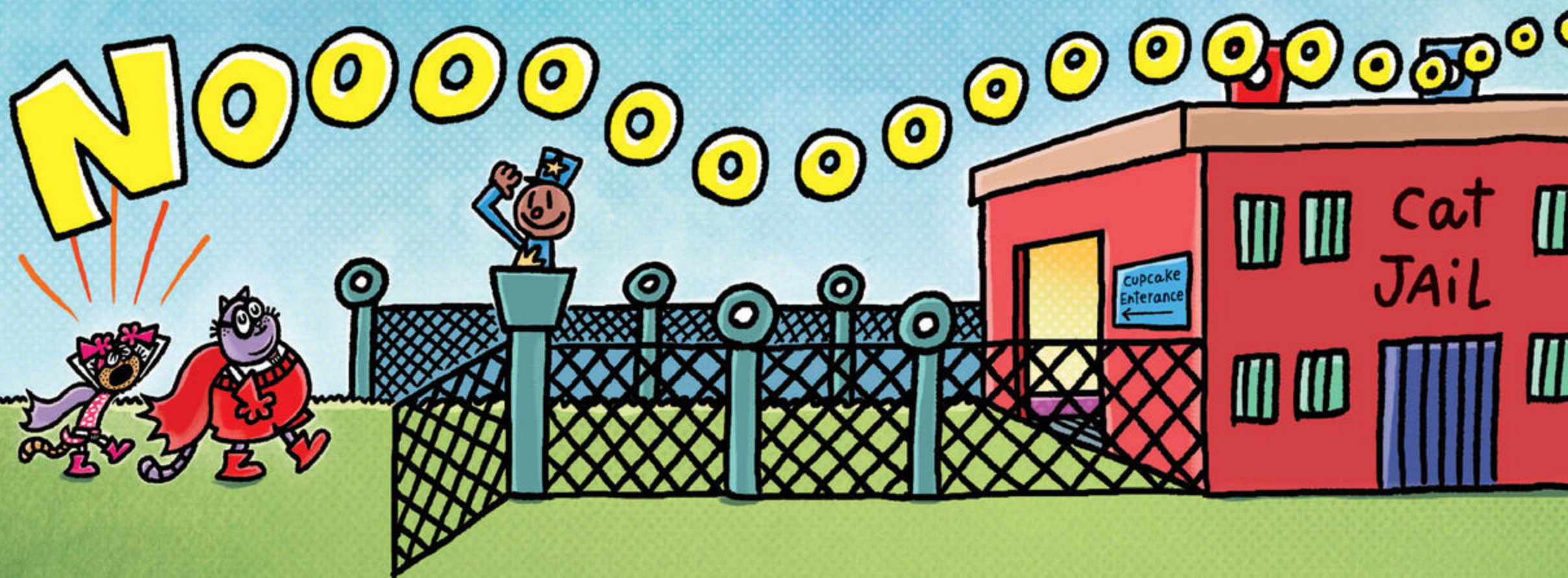


What???



We're Gonna have a
SEQUEL!!!





**WHAT NEW
HORRORS
WILL ARISE???**



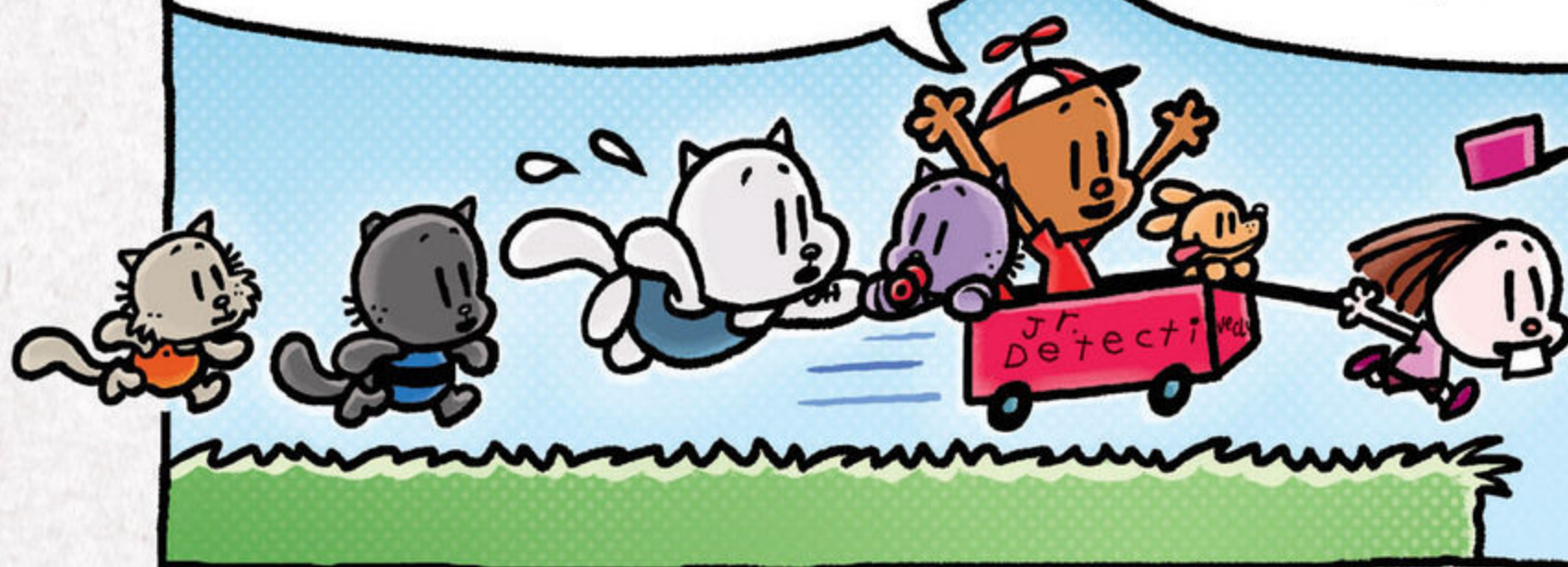
**WHAT OLD
MEMORIES
WILL RESURFACE?**



GET READY...

**...To Collect Your
COMRADES...**

**... ASSEMBLE
FOR ACTION...**



...And Level UP with LAFFS...



...Because an **ALL-NEW ADVENTURE** is COMING!!!

DOG MAN

Big Jim Believes

It's A BRAND-NEW
Series...

...With the SAME
OLD Characters!



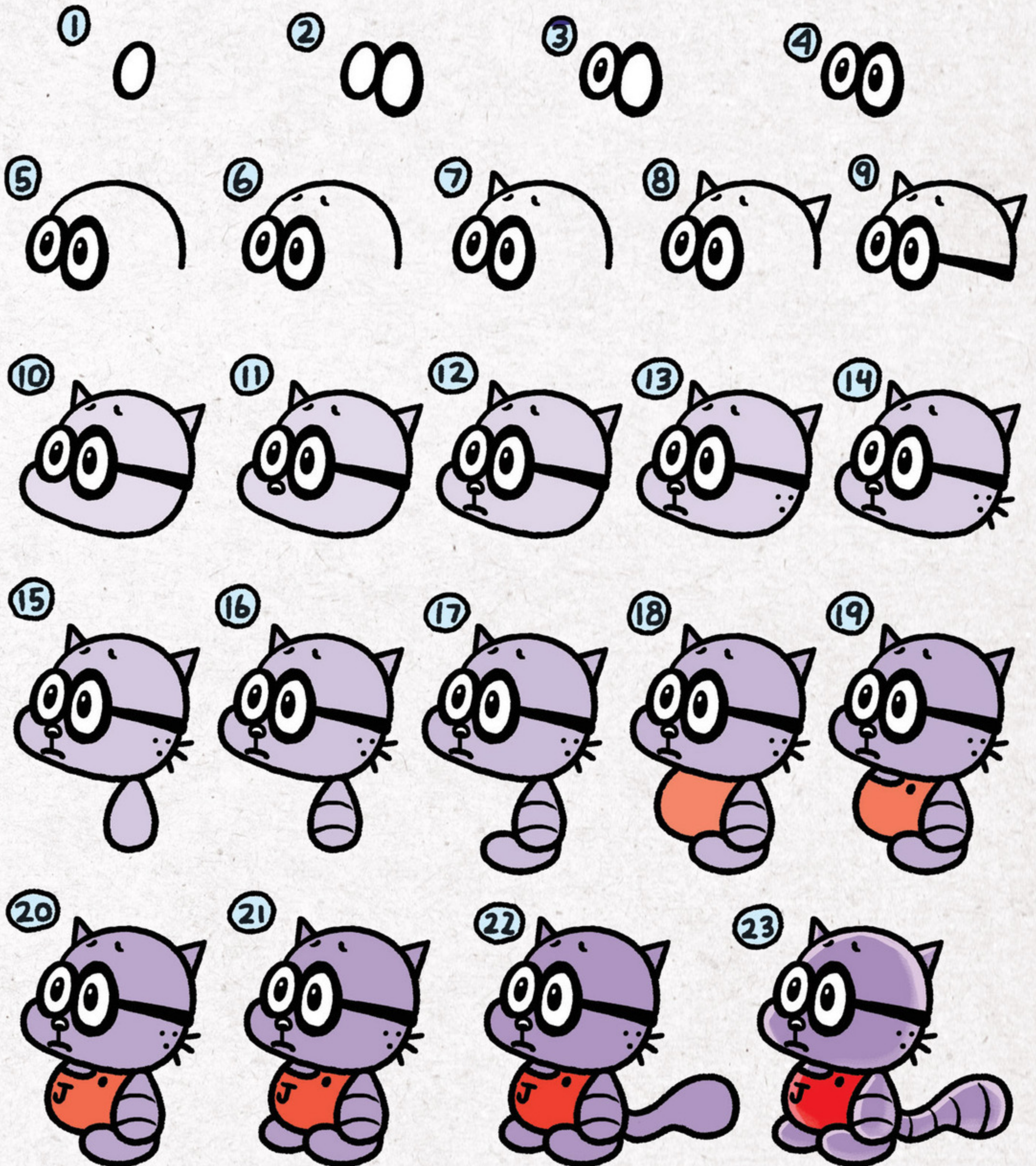
NOTES & FUN FACTS

- ★ This story was inspired by a phenomenon known as the placebo effect, in which a person's beliefs can inspire positive changes. These positive changes can occur even if the beliefs are erroneous or unfounded.
- ★ The foot on page 49 is a tribute to the British comedy group Monty Python.
- ★ The quote on page 58 ("For we are the music makers...and we are the dreamers of dreams.") is based on the 1873 poem "Ode" by Arthur O'Shaughnessy.
- ★ The words on pages 113-115 were inspired by the song "Yellow Bird" by Halie Loren.
- ★ The words on pages 118-119 are based on a quote by Fred Rogers, who created and hosted the children's TV series *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*.
- ★ Dog Man's thoughts (pages 135-139) were drawn only using colors that dogs can see. Human eyes have three types of color receptors (cones), but dogs only have two. Dogs, therefore, see the world in shades of yellow, blue, and gray and cannot distinguish between red and green.
- ★ Chief is correct on page 138: Chocolate **IS** bad for dogs because it contains theobromine, which can be toxic to canines.
- ★ The small thermal exhaust port (page 158) is a reference to the Death Star's critical vulnerability in *Star Wars: Episode IV – A New Hope* (1977).
- ★ "With great power comes great frosting in your gloves" (pages 168-169) is a misinterpretation of the quote "With great power comes great responsibility" by Stan Lee, which itself is based on the writings of Voltaire.
- ★ The quote on page 178 is widely attributed to Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu.
- ★ The words on pages 179-180 are a reworking of the quote: "Sometimes when you're in a dark place you think you've been buried, but you've actually been planted." by Christine Caine.
- ★ The character of Big Jim was inspired by the following quote: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18:3 NIV)
- ★ **BONUS CONTENT:** Check out Dav Pilkey's Epic Comic Club at PlanetPilkey.com for ALL-NEW FREE STUFF! Read new comics and jokes, learn to draw new characters, and MUCH, MUCH MORE!!!

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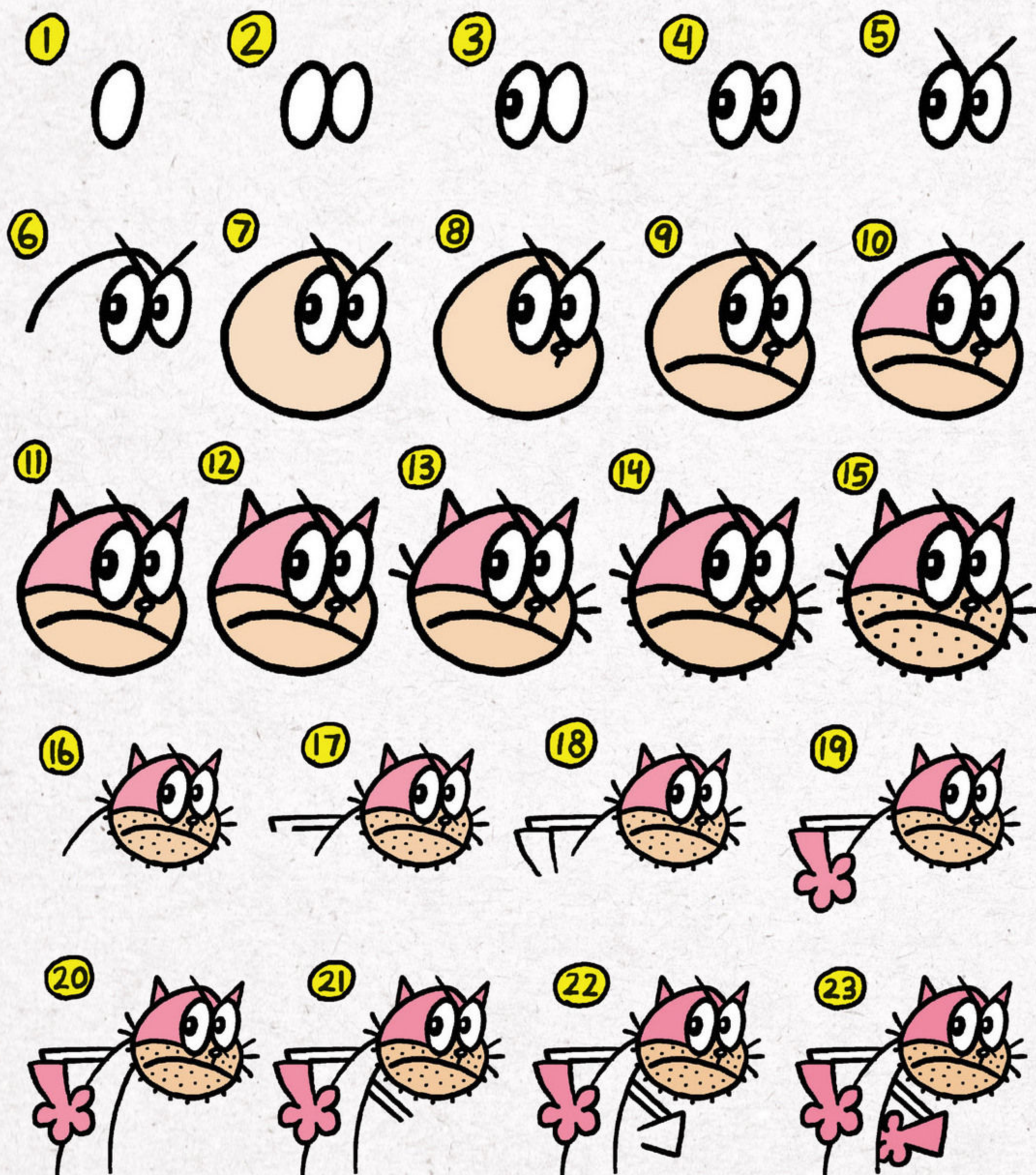
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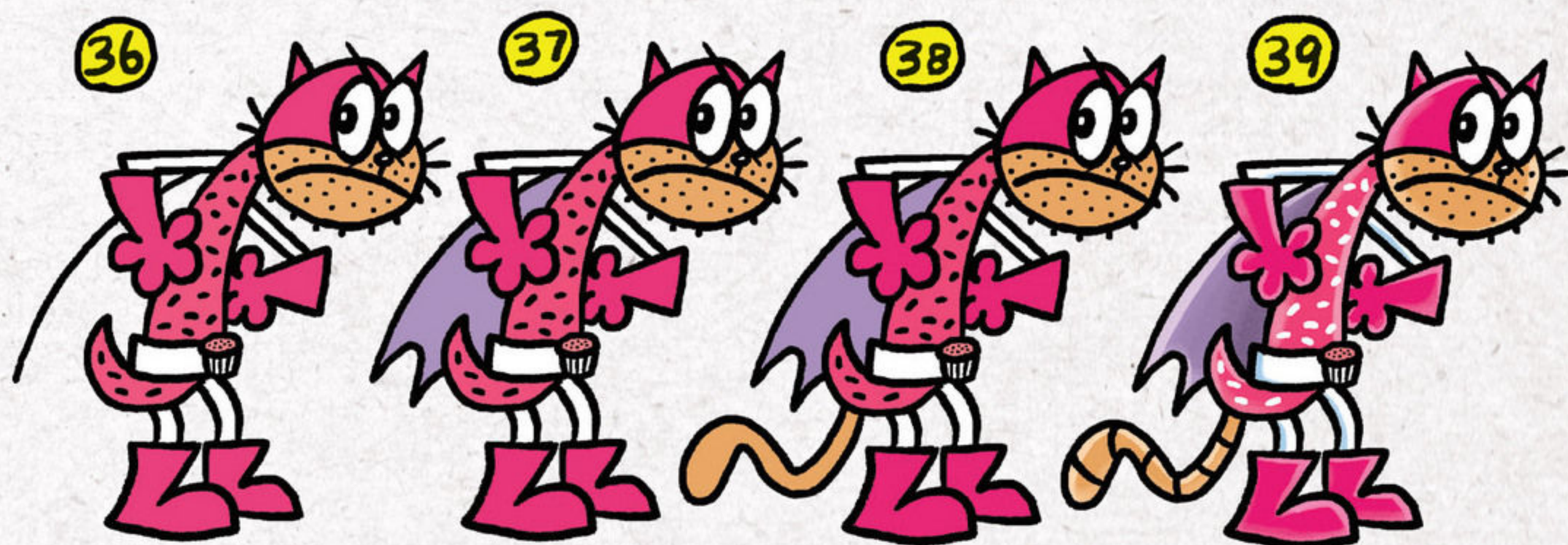
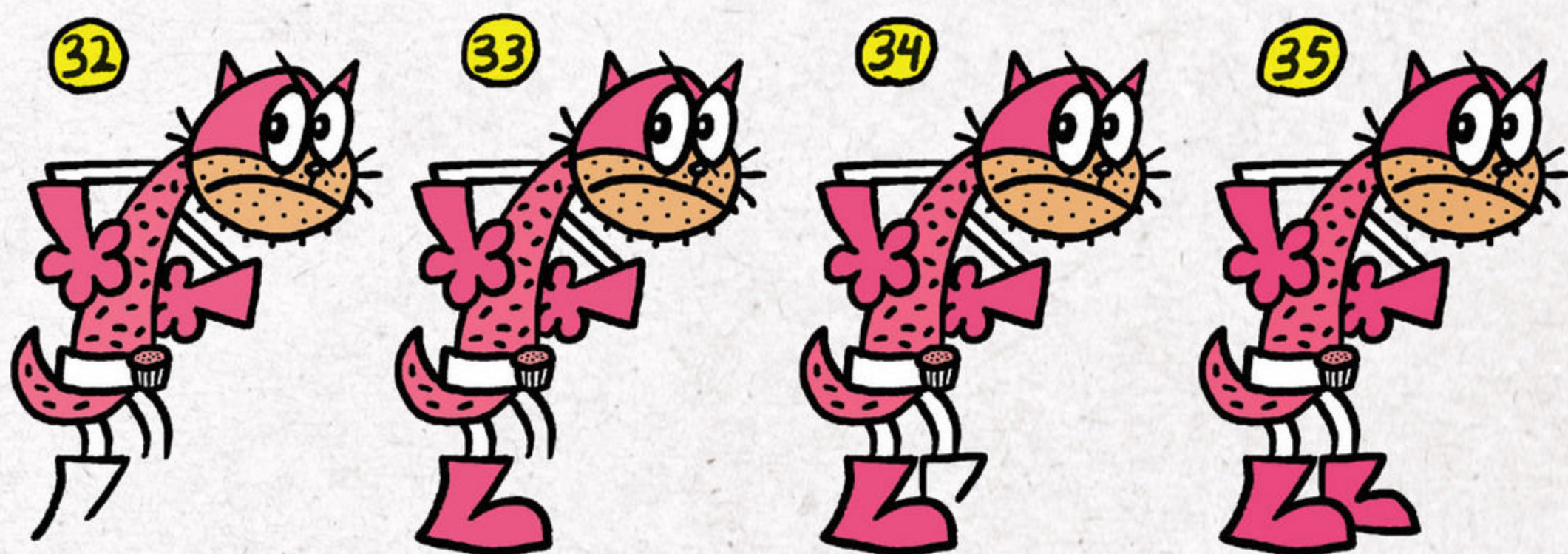
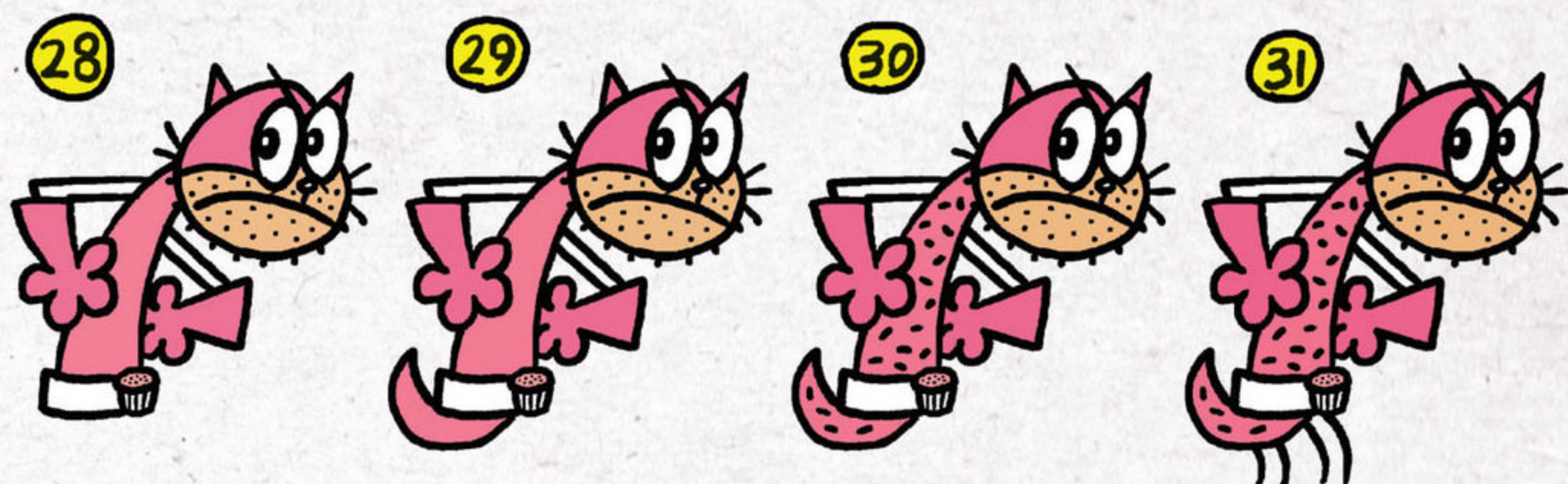
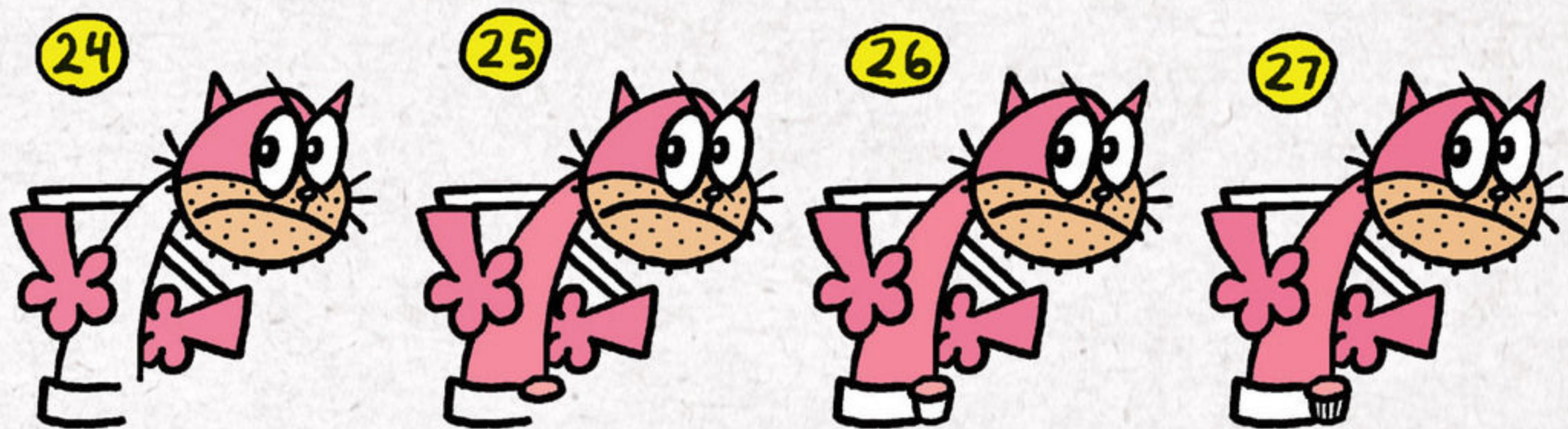


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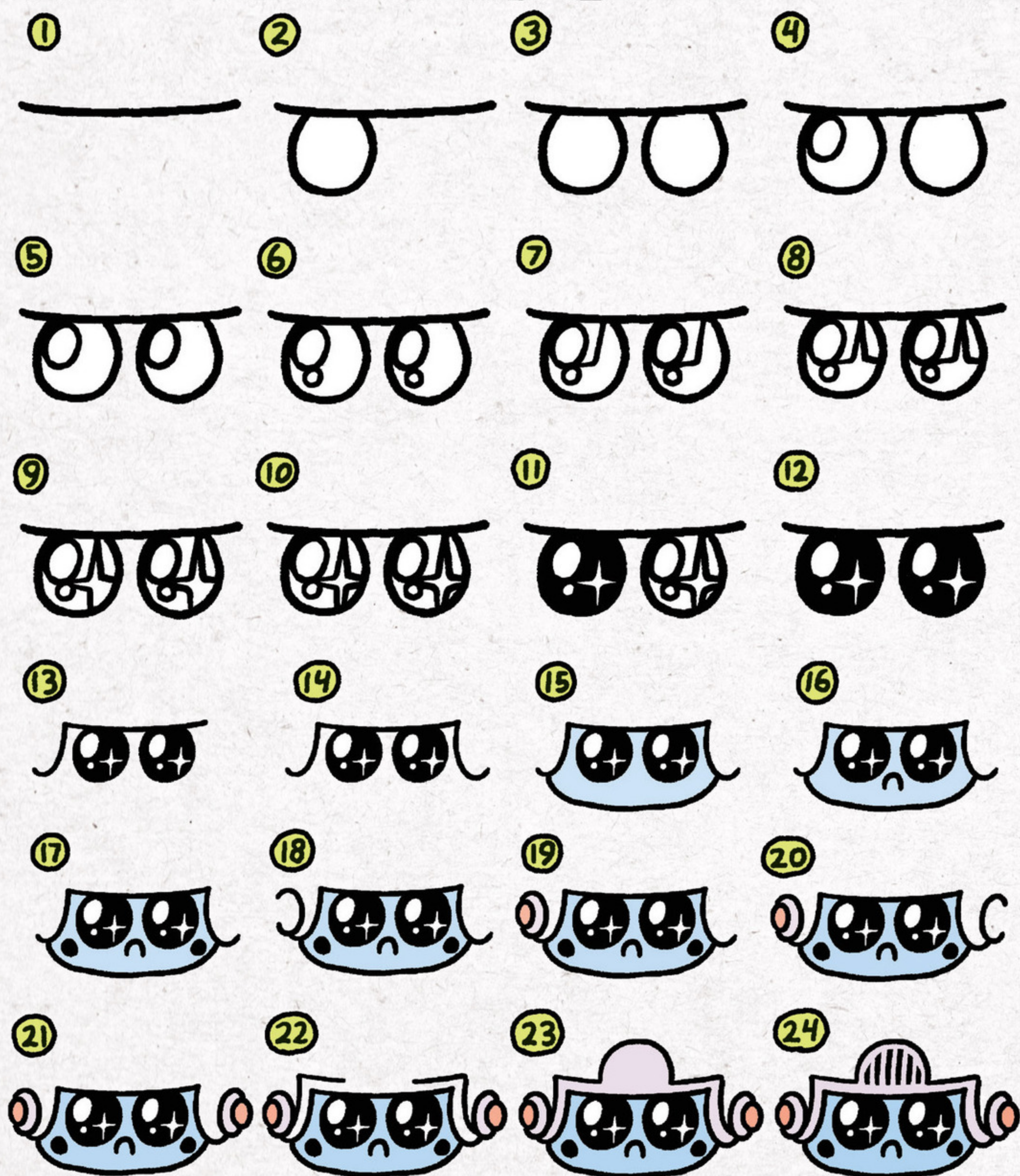




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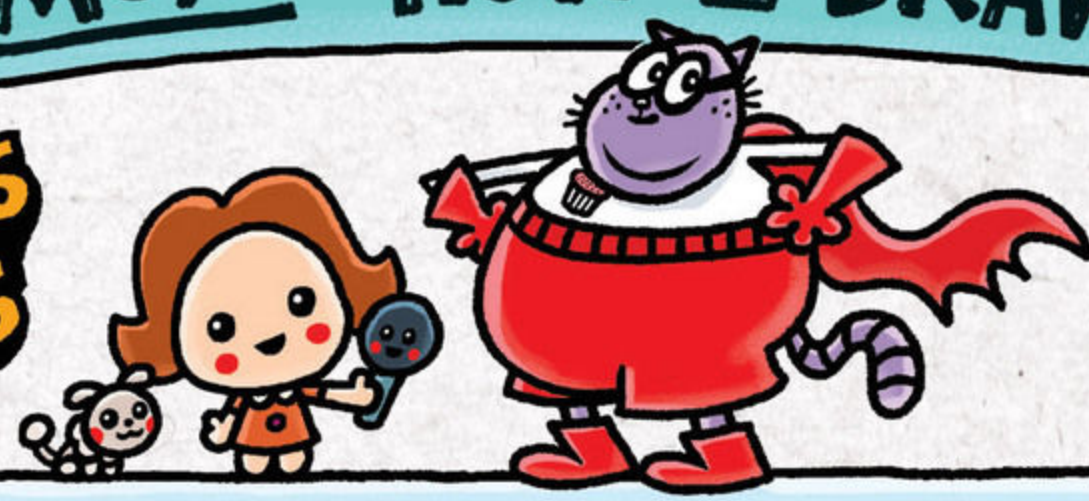
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When Dav Pilkey was a kid, he was diagnosed with ADHD and dyslexia. Dav was so disruptive in class that his teachers made him sit out in the hallway every day. Luckily, Dav loved to draw and make up stories. He spent his time in the hallway creating 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.