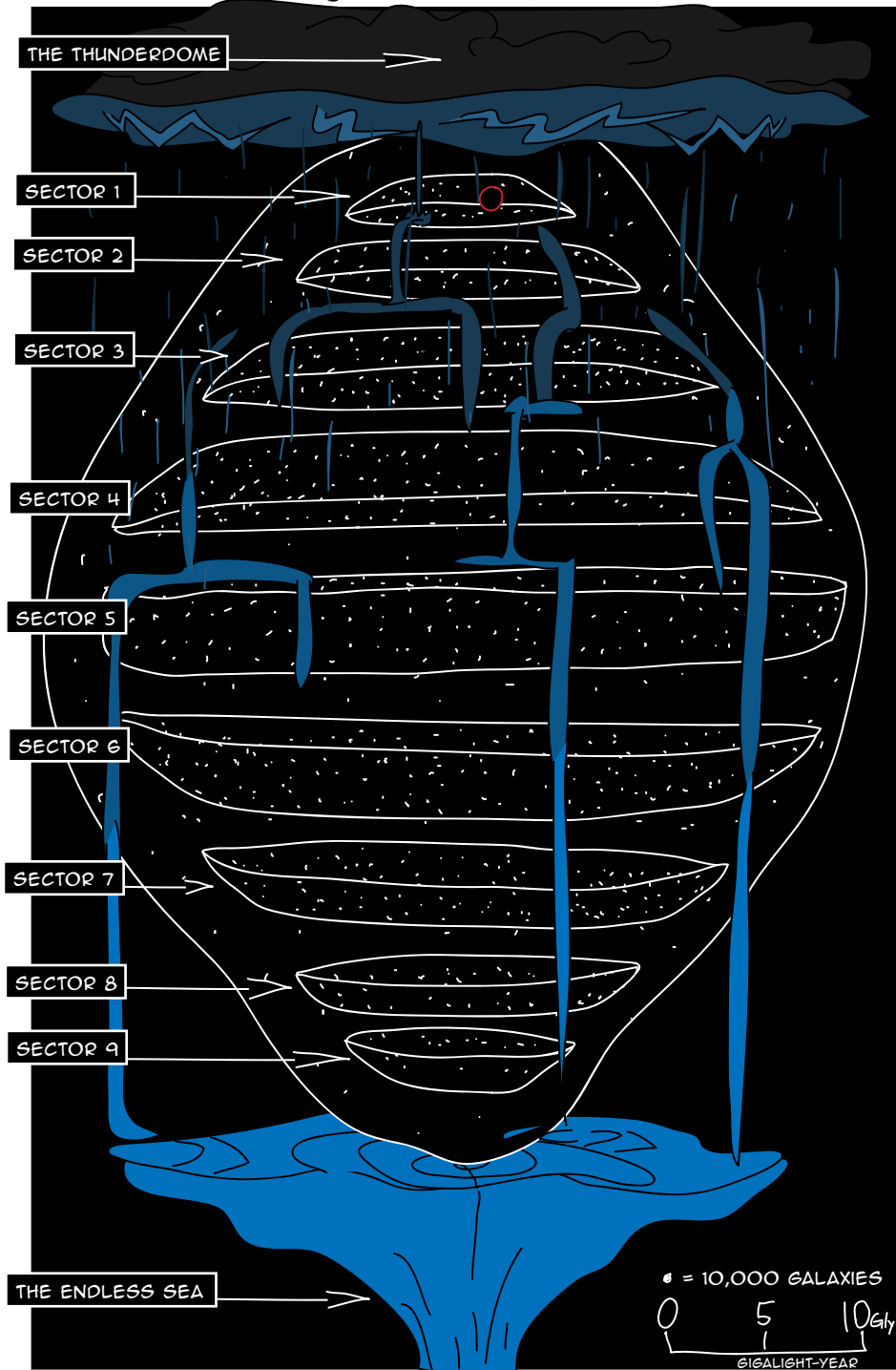


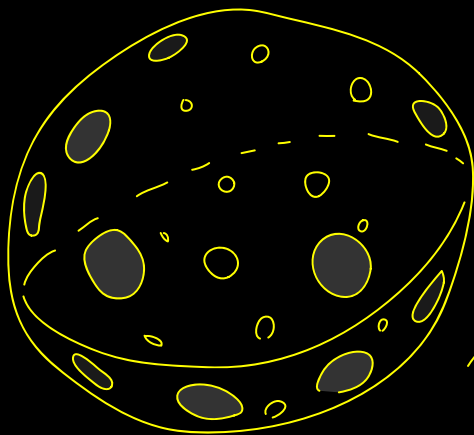
# MAP OF CREATION



THE THIRD DIMENSION



HELL IS NOT THE ONLY DIMENSION THAT  
OVERLAPS CREATION.  
THE STARSKIPPERS PROVIDE AN  
ESSENTIAL SERVICE TO THE STARBORN.  
THE POSITION OF THE STAR SKIP  
DIMENSION ALLOWS TRAVEL AT VASTLY  
HIGHER SPEEDS THAN TRADITIONAL  
ENGINES CAN PROVIDE.

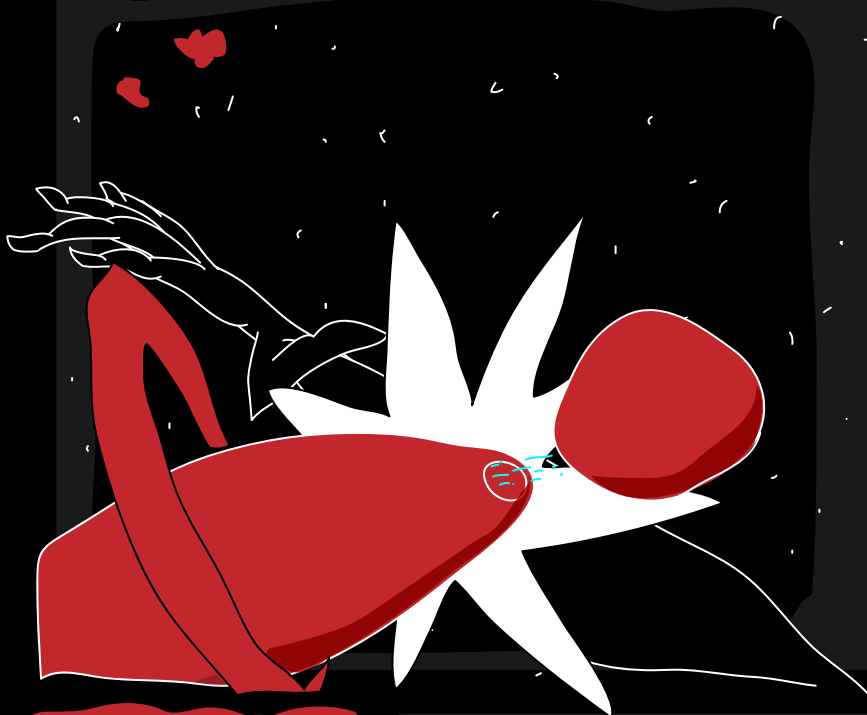


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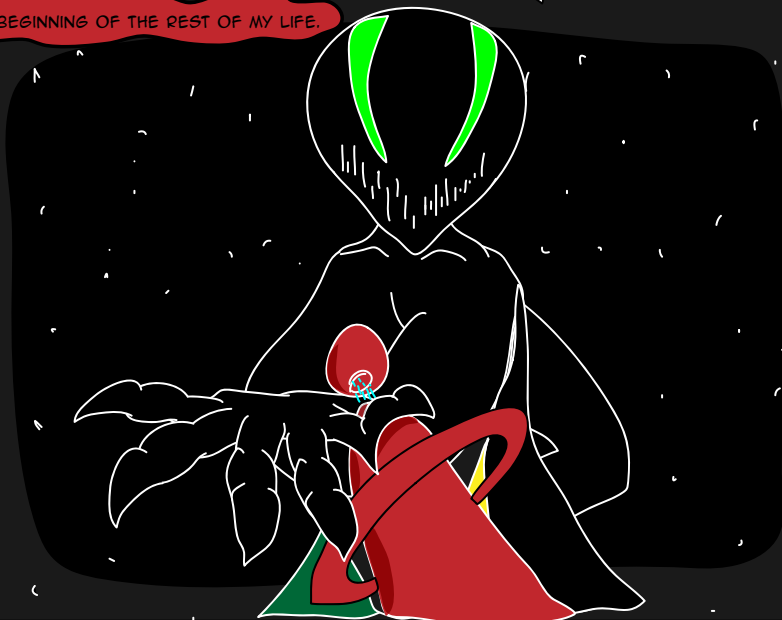
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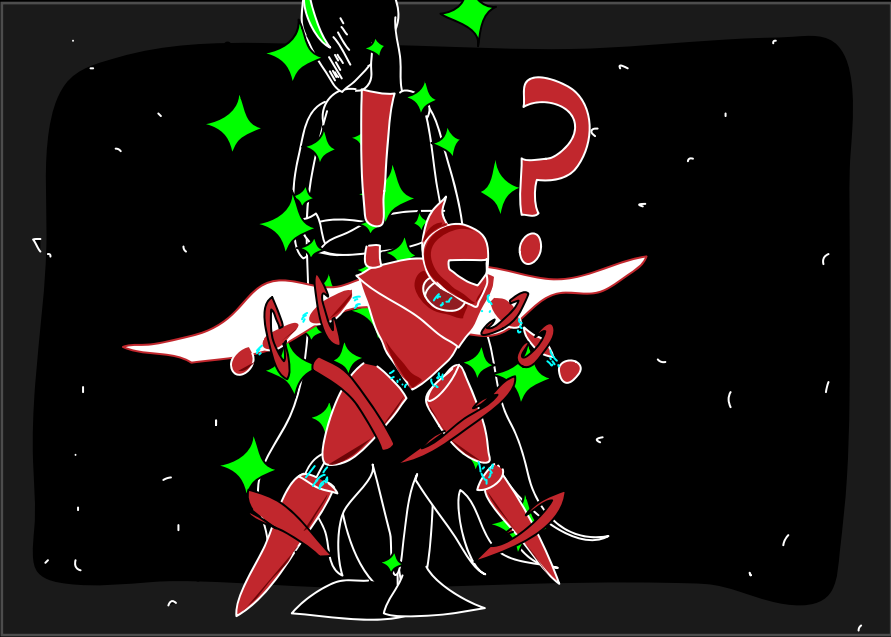
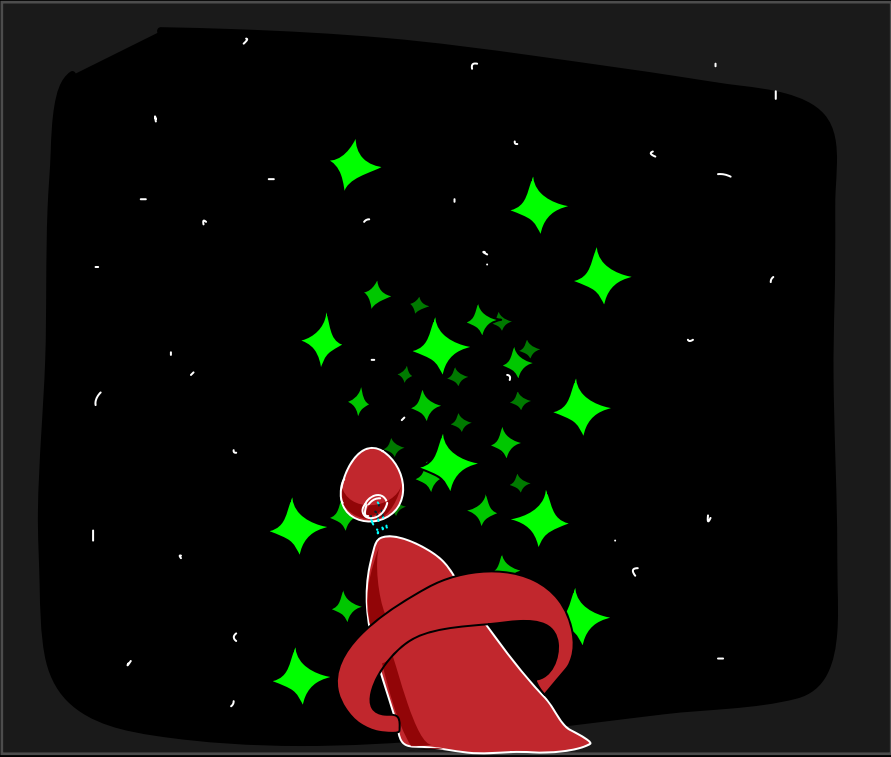


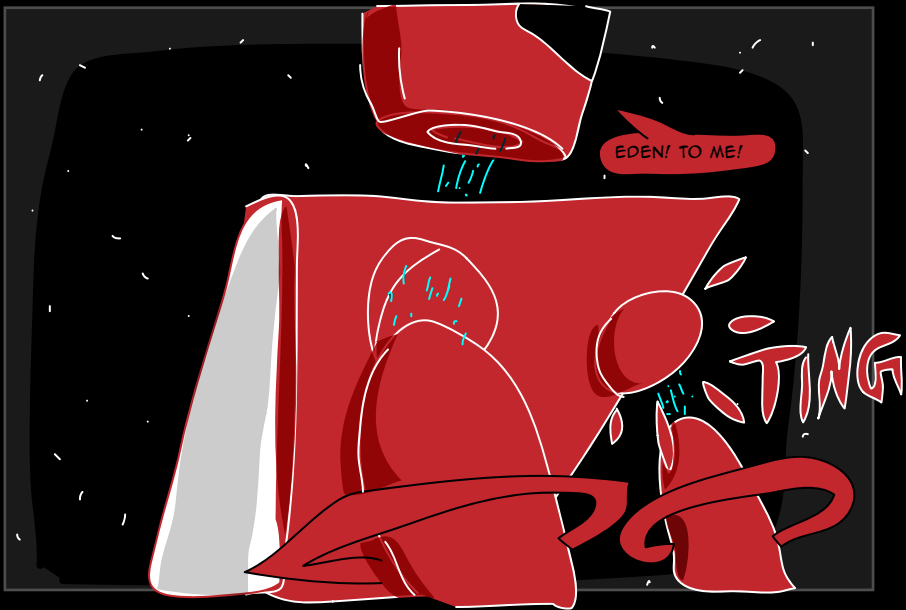
I'M THERE AGAIN, BACK IN THAT MOMENT.

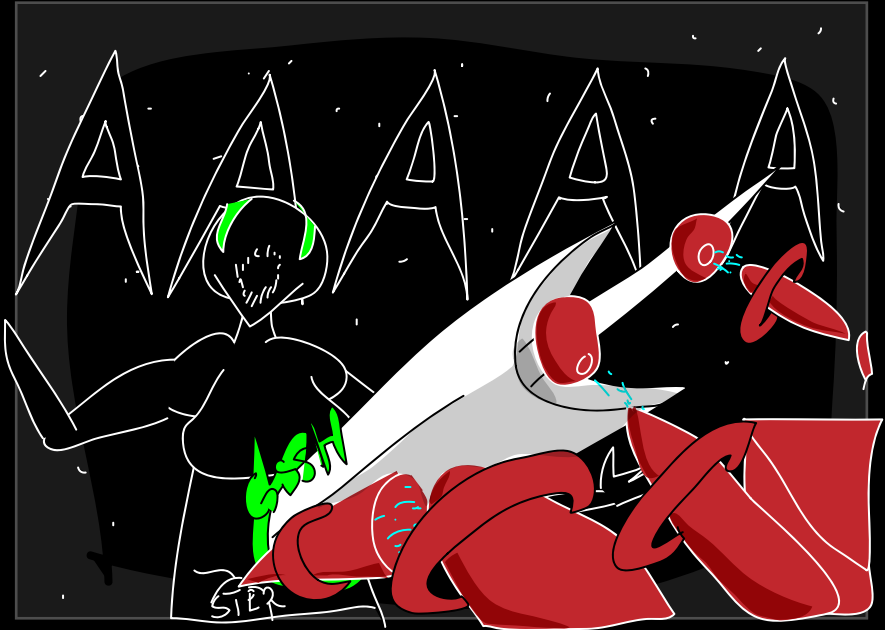
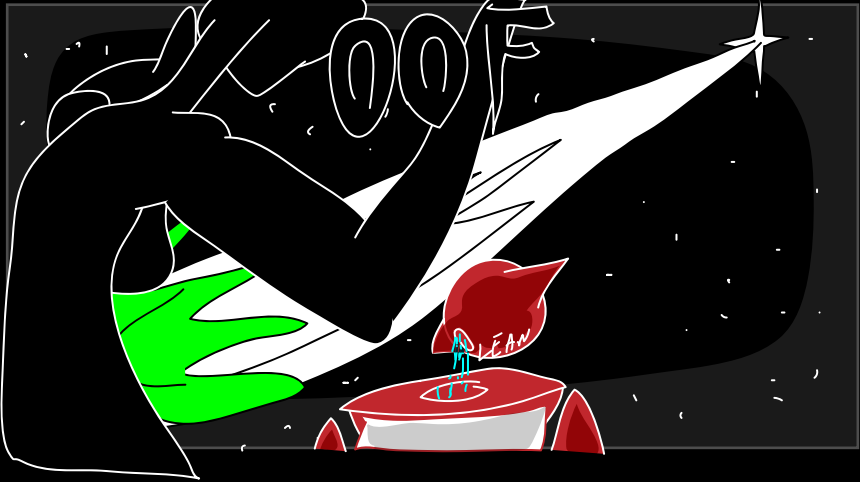


THE BEGINNING OF THE REST OF MY LIFE.

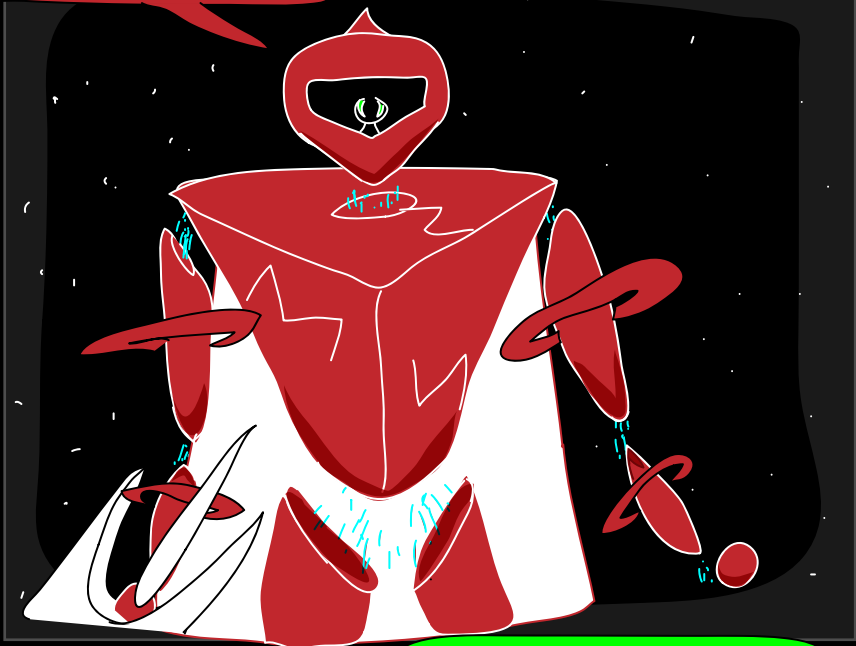








WELL, GOT ANY OTHER NEAT TRICKS?

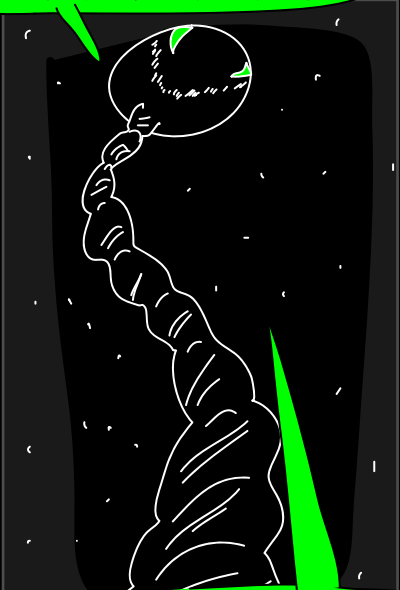


I WILL REND FROM YOU YOUR LIFE AND PAINT THE STARS WITH YOUR CORPSE.

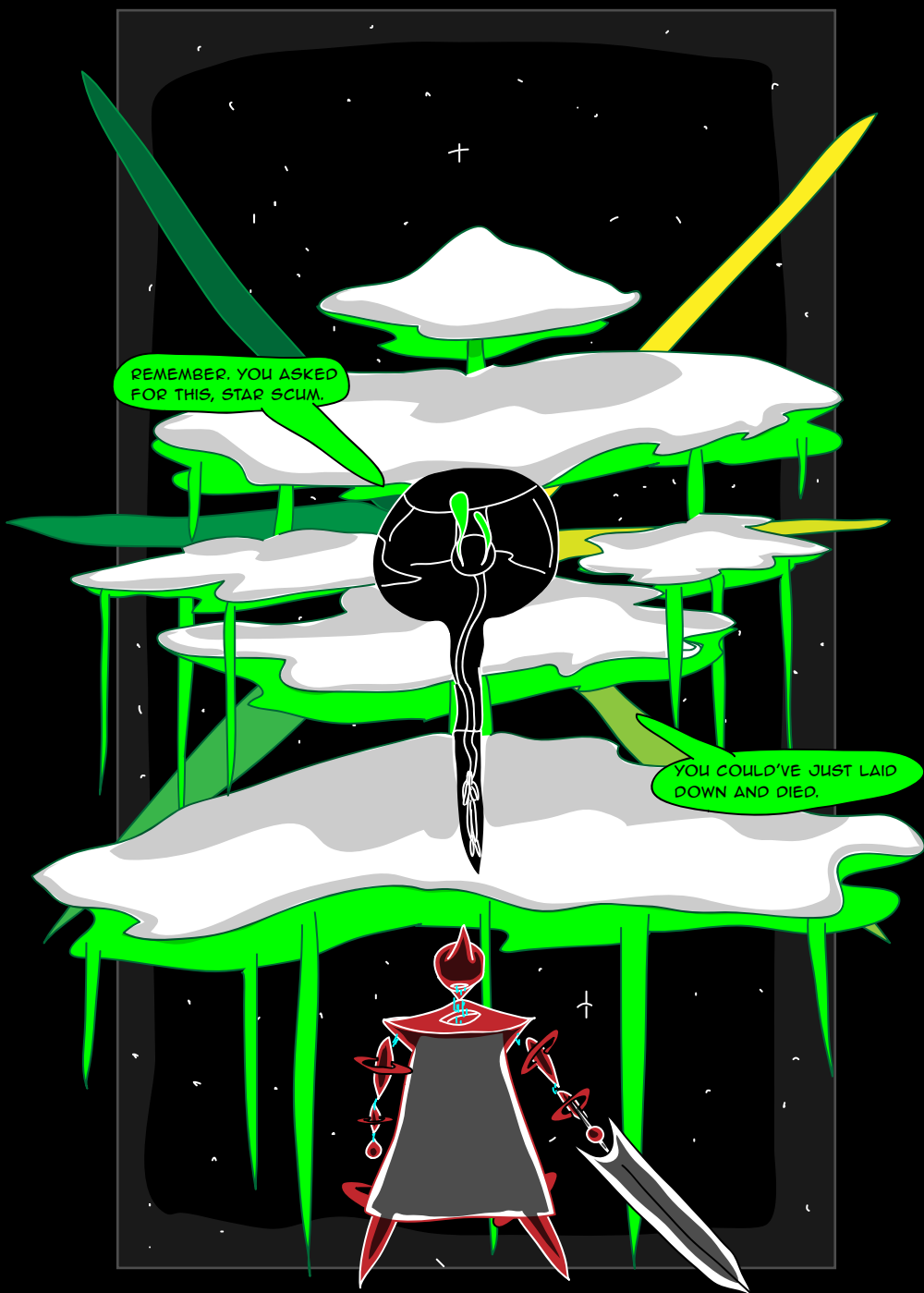
NEAT. TRICKS. HMP



I'VE GOT JUST THE THING.



GOLDEN BLOOD TRANSFUSION!

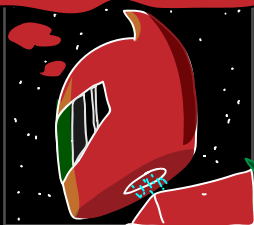


I REMEMBER THIS FIGHT CLEARLY. IT STARTED  
IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE, CREATION.





WITH A DEVIL TRYING ITS  
HARDEST TO KILL ME, AND I IT.



I REMEMBER THE  
WEAPONS WE HAD.

AND THE MOTIONS WE  
TOOK WITH THEM.



IT STRIKES WITH A SCYTHE  
MADE OF WHITE NOISE.

I'VE ALREADY BEEN HIT.



A TIME SCYTHE. A  
FOURTH DIMENSIONAL  
WEAPON THAT CAN  
STRIKE ME BEFORE  
THE DEVIL EVEN  
MOVES.



HOW DO I AVOID STRIKES THAT  
HAVE ALREADY HAPPENED?

I REMEMBER HOW I FIGURED IT OUT.

I'VE BEEN GETTING TOSSED  
AROUND THIS WHOLE FIGHT. I  
NEED TO GAIN AN ADVANTAGE.



I NEED TO MOVE FASTER THAN IT CAN  
REACT. BEFORE THAT DEVIL CAN EVEN  
THINK TO USE ITS WEAPON.



I REMEMBER THE THINGS I SAID.

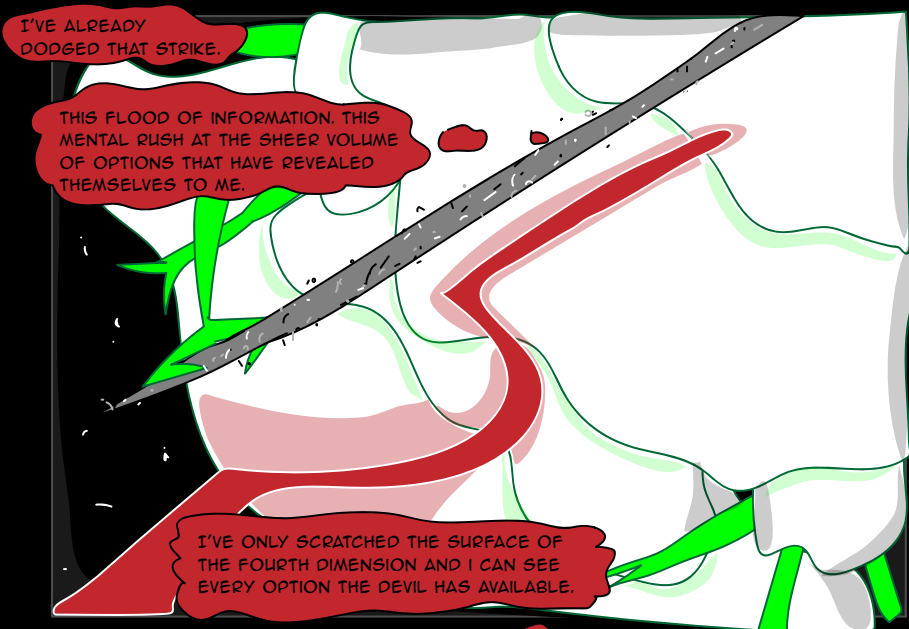
I'M ALL OUT OF REASONABLE STRATEGIES.  
WHATEVER HAPPENS NEXT IS YOUR FAULT, DEVIL!

MY PREDICTIVE ENGINE IS USELESS  
IF I'VE ALREADY BEEN STRUCK. BUT  
WHAT IF I REVERSE THE PREDICTIVE  
ENGINE?

ONCE I REVERSE THE PREDICTIVE ENGINE  
DATA STREAM, I CAN USE THE DATA FROM  
THE MANY STRIKES I'VE ALREADY  
SUSTAINED TO PREDICT STRIKES THAT HAVE  
ALREADY HAPPENED TO ME.

IN SHORT, IF THE DEVIL IS  
ALREADY GOING TO HAVE HIT  
ME, I NEED TO HAVE ALREADY  
DODGED.

I REMEMBER THE FOURTH DIMENSION  
OPENING ITSELF UP TO ME.



I'VE ALREADY  
DODGED THAT STRIKE.

THIS FLOOD OF INFORMATION. THIS  
MENTAL RUSH AT THE SHEER VOLUME  
OF OPTIONS THAT HAVE REVEALED  
THEMSELVES TO ME.

I'VE ONLY SCRATCHED THE SURFACE OF  
THE FOURTH DIMENSION AND I CAN SEE  
EVERY OPTION THE DEVIL HAS AVAILABLE.

REVERSING PREDICTIVE ENGINE DATA STREAM...  
NEW PROCESS DISCOVERED...  
BEGINNING FOURTH DIMENSIONAL ANALYSIS  
POTENTIAL IMPACT LOCATION DETECTED...  
....  
PREDICTIVE ENGINE ACTIVATING!

IS THIS HOW IT SEES EVERYTHING ALL THE  
TIME? NO WONDER I WAS LOSING.

BUT THAT'S OVER NOW.

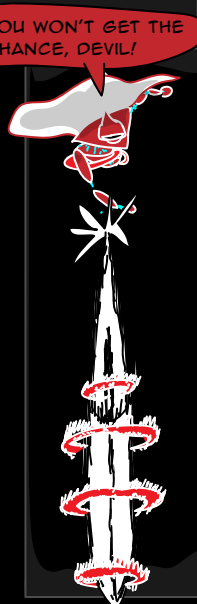
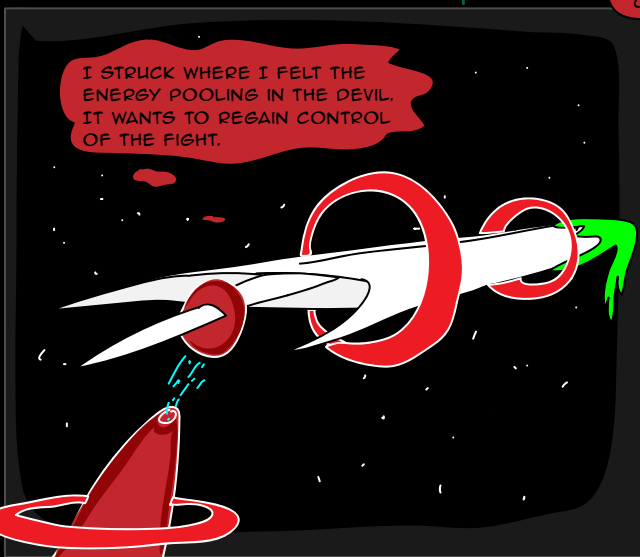


I NEED TO WIN NOW, BEFORE IT STARTS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S HAPPENING. I CAN'T AFFORD THE SAME LOSSES THESE DEVILS CAN.

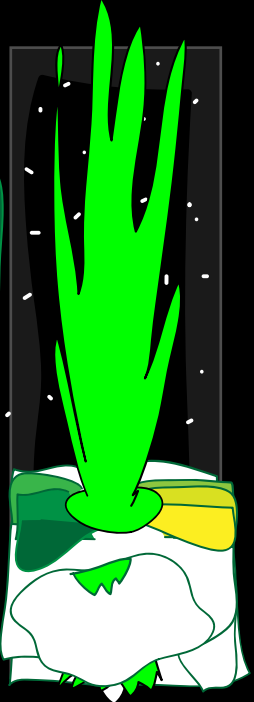
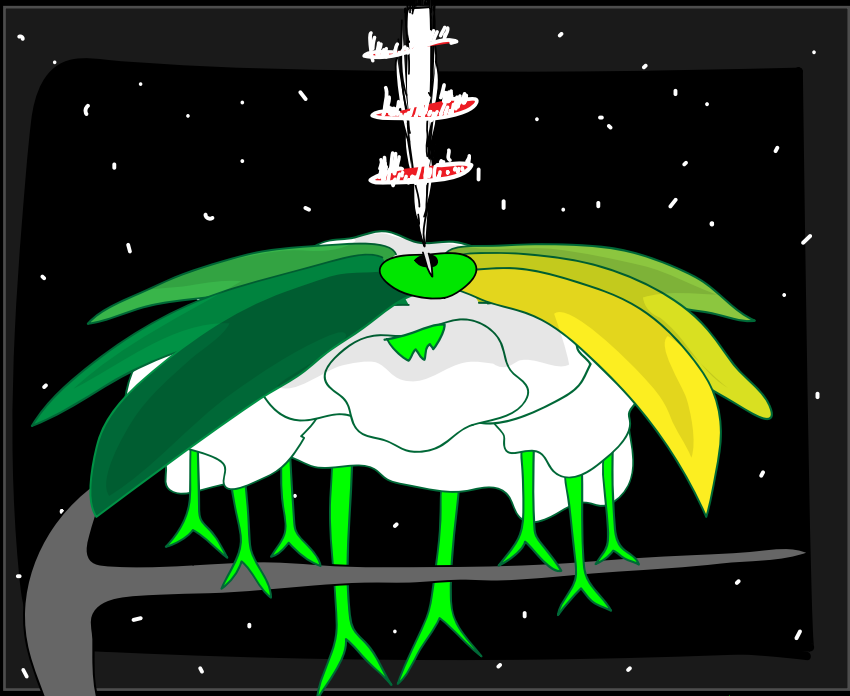


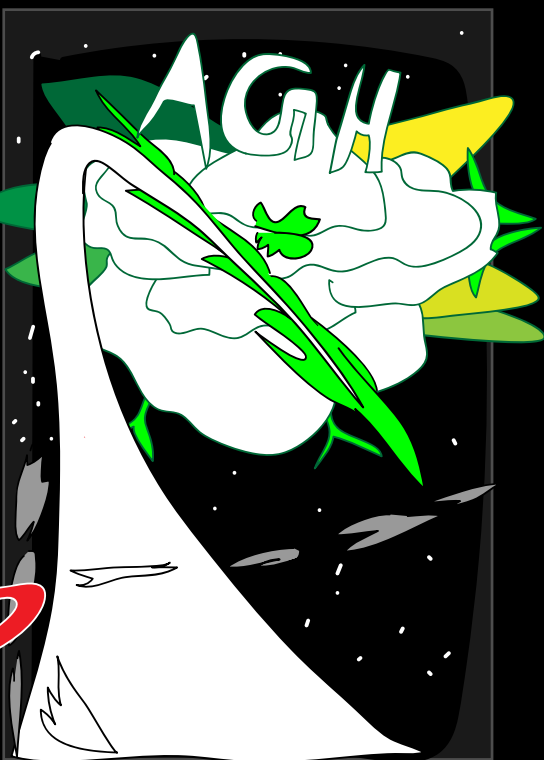
I'VE GOT NO TIME TO MAKE MISTAKES.

THE COST OF MY FAILURE IS PAID IN SOULS.



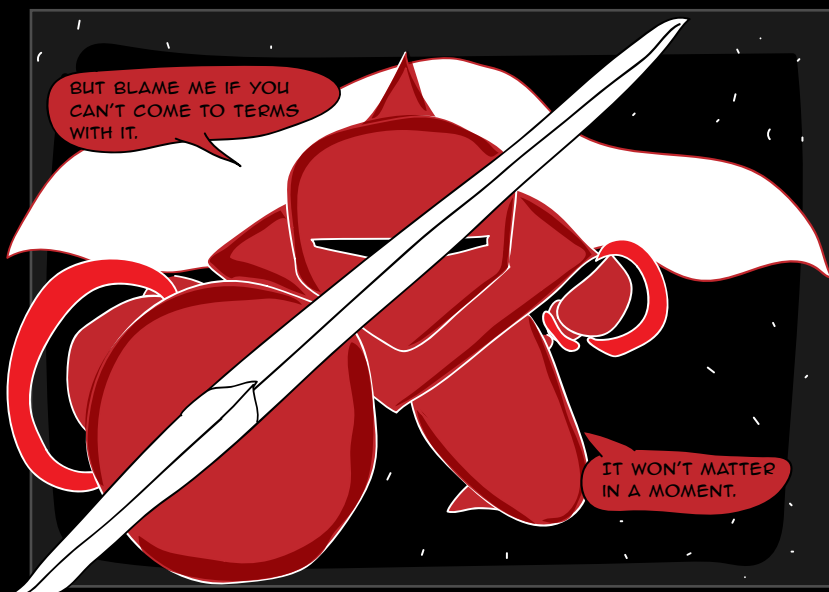








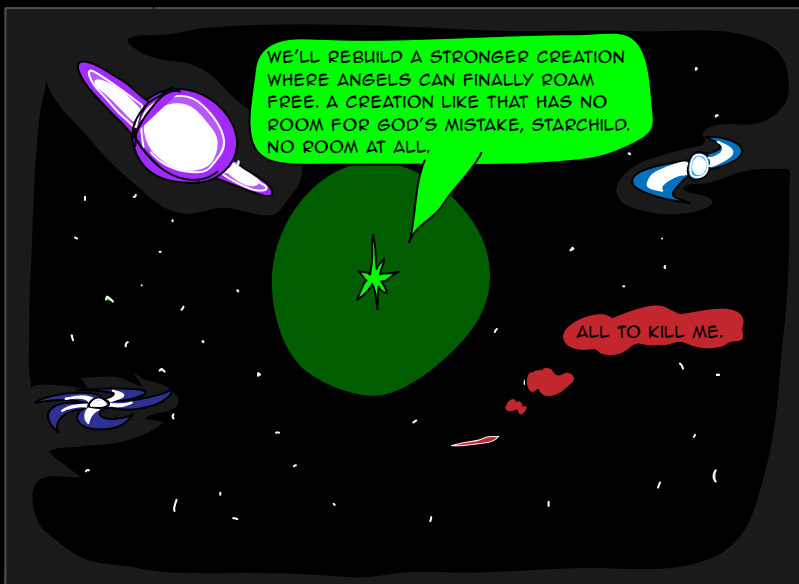
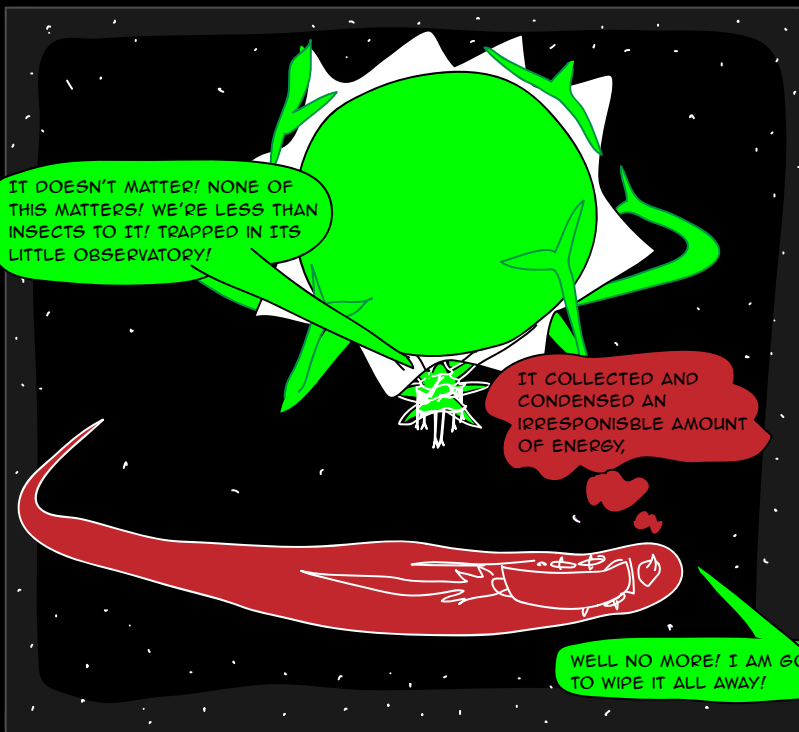
THIS ENDS NOW, DEVIL. YOU HAVE NO ONE TO BLAME BUT YOURSELF.



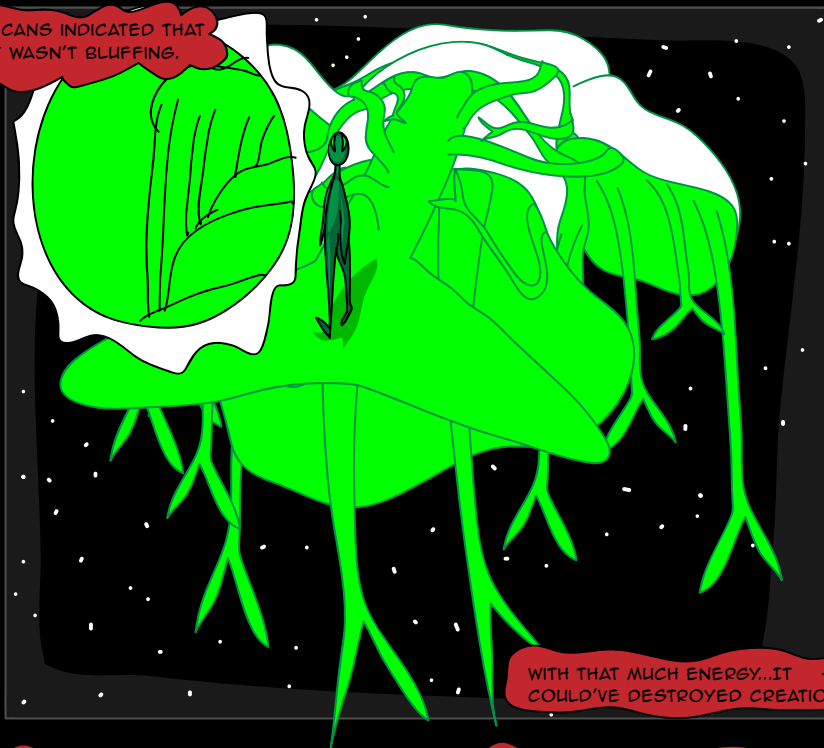
BUT BLAME ME IF YOU CAN'T COME TO TERMS WITH IT.

IT WON'T MATTER IN A MOMENT.



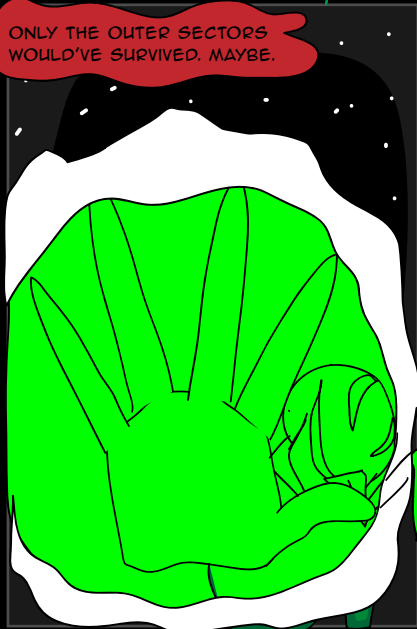


SCANS INDICATED THAT  
IT WASN'T BLUFFING.



WITH THAT MUCH ENERGY...IT  
COULD'VE DESTROYED CREATION.

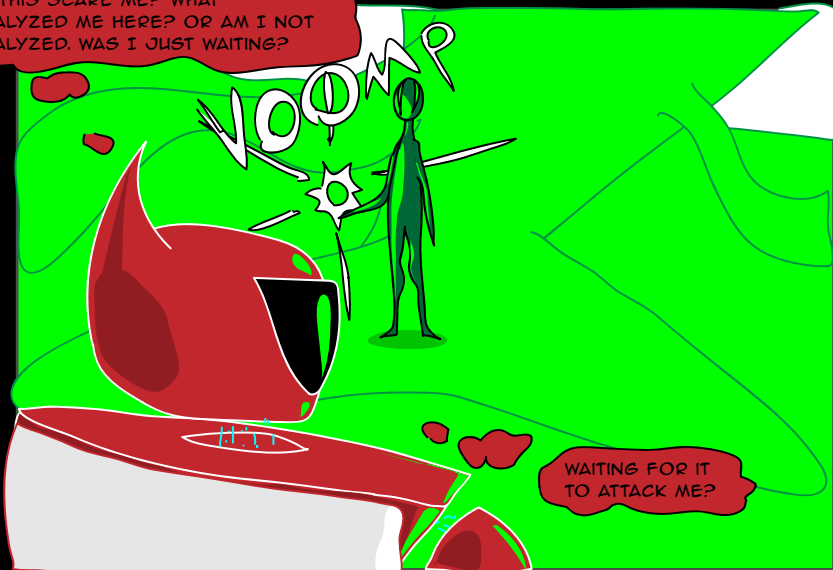
ONLY THE OUTER SECTORS  
WOULD'VE SURVIVED. MAYBE.



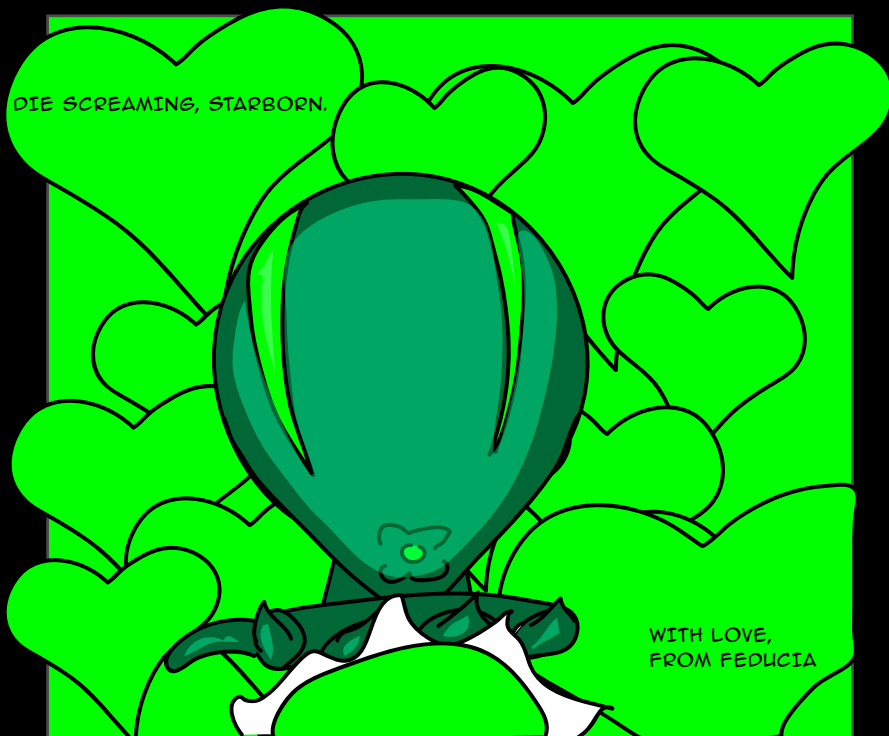
I COULDN'T DEFLECT OR  
REDIRECT IT. INTENSE LOSS OF  
LIFE NO MATTER WHERE IT WENT.



DID THIS SCARE ME? WHAT  
PARALYZED ME HERE? OR AM I NOT  
PARALYZED. WAS I JUST WAITING?



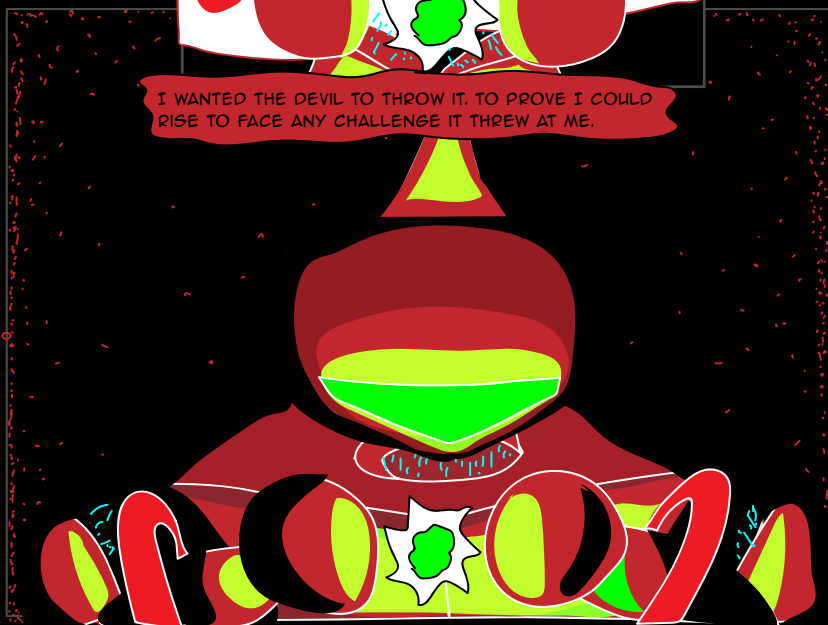
DIE SCREAMING, STARBORN.



THE CLOSER IT GOT THE MORE SURE I FELT IN MY DECISION.

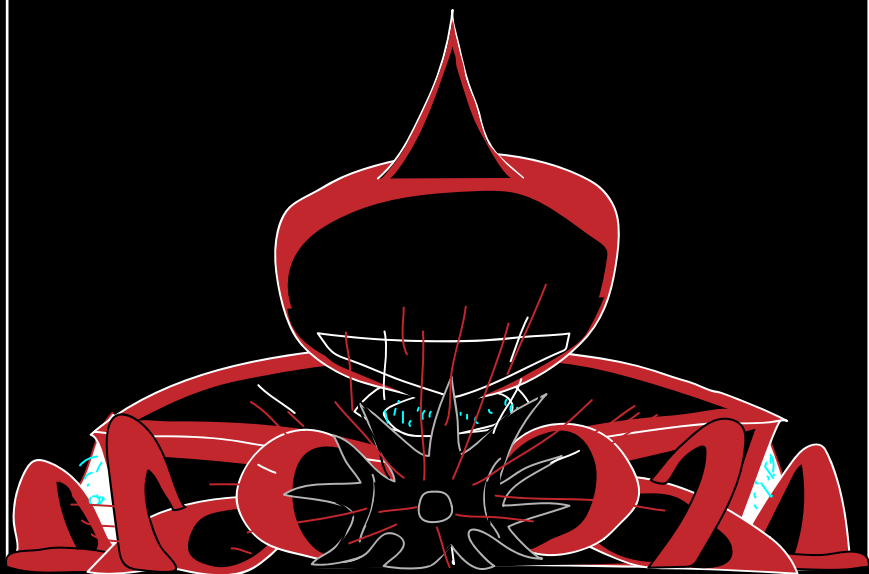


I WANTED THE DEVIL TO THROW IT. TO PROVE I COULD RISE TO FACE ANY CHALLENGE IT THREW AT ME.





TO SHOW THEM WHAT  
FEAR FEELS LIKE.



I REMEMBER THE LAST  
WORDS WE EXCHANGED.

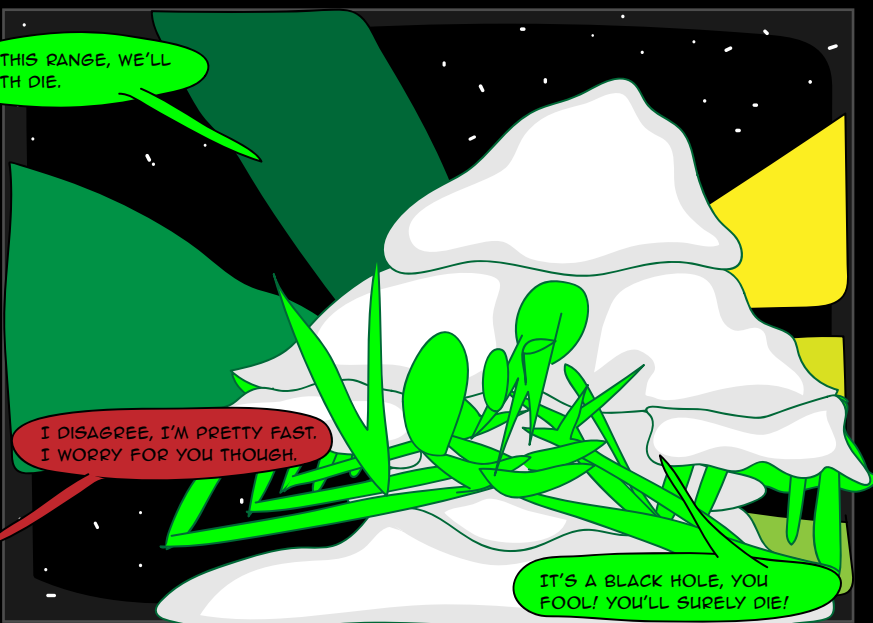
YOU CAN'T DEPLOY  
THAT SINGULARITY.



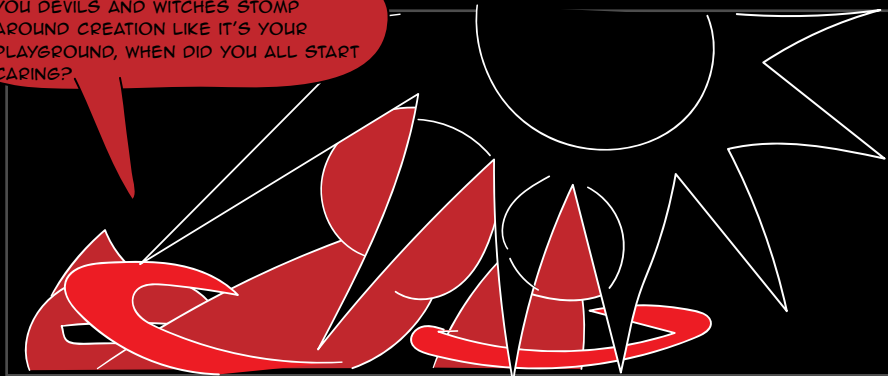
AT THIS RANGE, WE'LL  
BOTH DIE.

I DISAGREE, I'M PRETTY FAST.  
I WORRY FOR YOU THOUGH.

IT'S A BLACK HOLE, YOU  
FOOL! YOU'LL SURELY DIE!



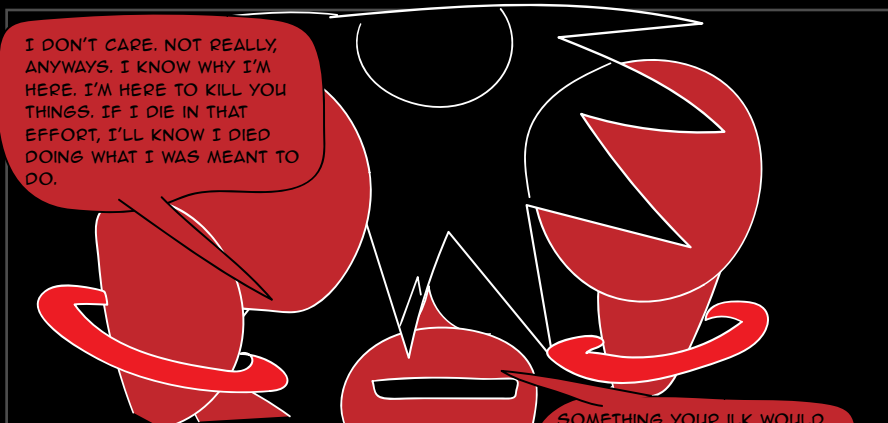
SOP DO YOU CARE IF YOU DIE? ALL YOU DEVILS AND WITCHES STOMP AROUND CREATION LIKE IT'S YOUR PLAYGROUND, WHEN DID YOU ALL START CARING?



LOOK, JUST-



I DON'T CARE. NOT REALLY, ANYWAYS. I KNOW WHY I'M HERE. I'M HERE TO KILL YOU THINGS. IF I DIE IN THAT EFFORT, I'LL KNOW I DIED DOING WHAT I WAS MEANT TO DO.



SOMETHING YOUR ILK WOULD KNOW NOTHING ABOUT.

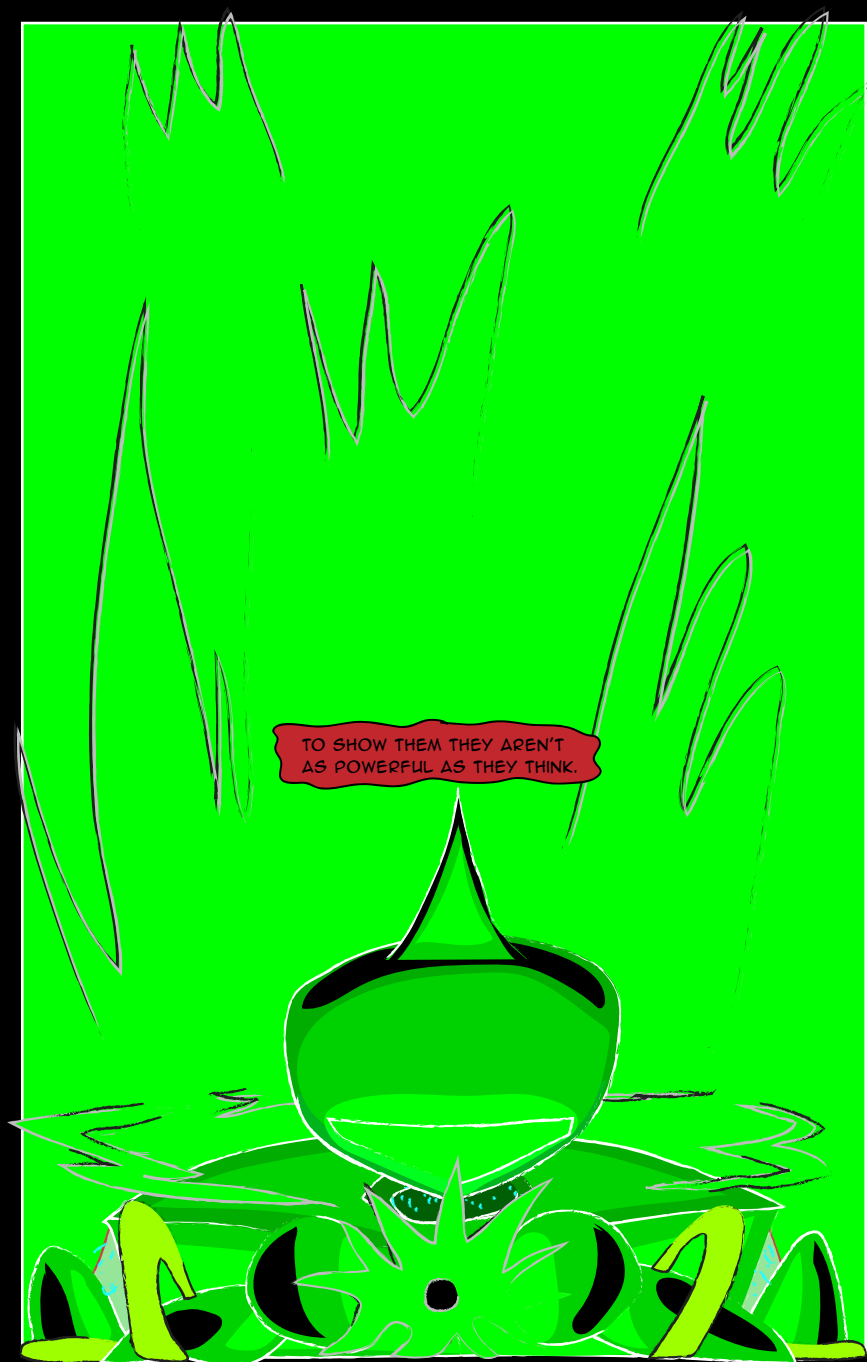
YOU WOULDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ANYMORE. YOU'D JUST BE ANOTHER DEAD STARBORN.

MORE SURE OF THEMSELVES THAN OTHER STARBORN. BUT, STILL A STARBORN IN THEIR LAST MOMENTS.

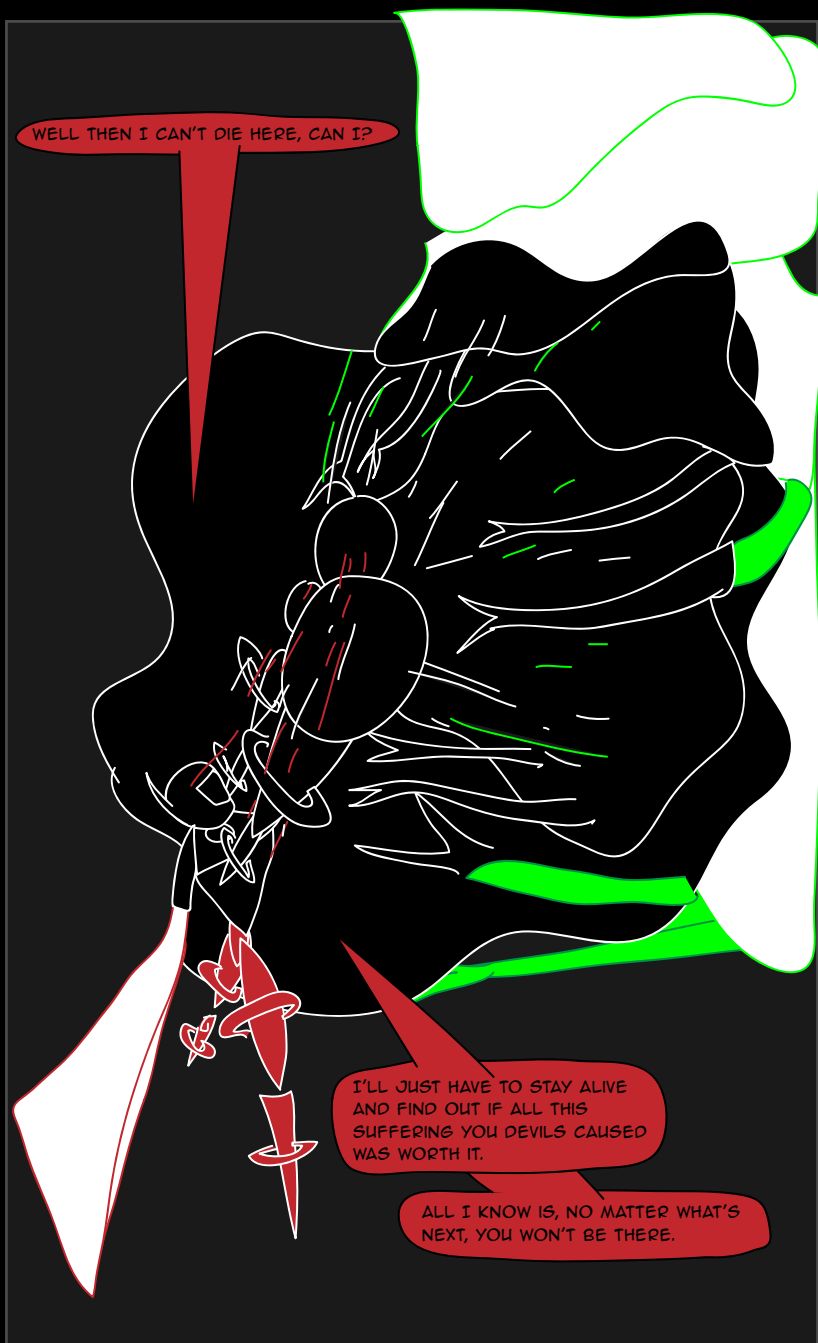


WHAT IF YOU WERE MEANT FOR MORE THAN THIS?

MORE THAN THE TRINITY LAID OUT FOR YOU?



TO SHOW THEM THEY AREN'T  
AS POWERFUL AS THEY THINK.

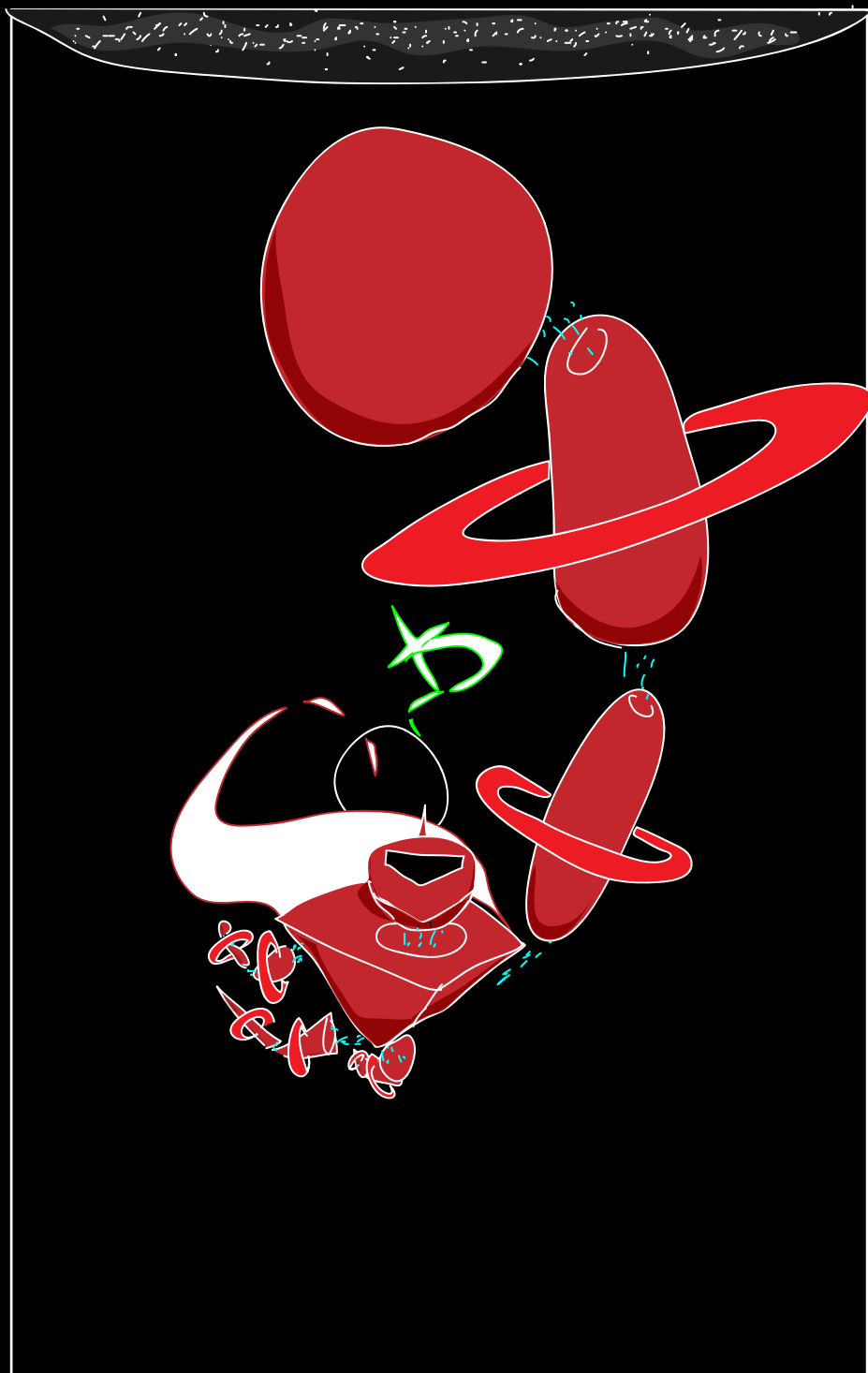


WELL THEN I CAN'T DIE HERE, CAN I?

I'LL JUST HAVE TO STAY ALIVE  
AND FIND OUT IF ALL THIS  
SUFFERING YOU DEVILS CAUSED  
WAS WORTH IT.

ALL I KNOW IS, NO MATTER WHAT'S  
NEXT, YOU WON'T BE THERE.













I AWOKE IN QUEEN'S PALMS AND A SUPERMASSIVE  
BLACK HOLE BEHIND HER. IT TOOK THE DEVIL'S  
ENERGY AND CHANGED IT. I HAD CREATED A  
GALAXY FROM THAT ATTACK.

A WHOLE GALAXY.

QUEEN TOLD ME THAT STAR MAPS  
WOULD HAVE TO BE REWRITTEN.

THAT I WOULD HAVE EYES ON  
ME UNTIL THE DAY I DIED.



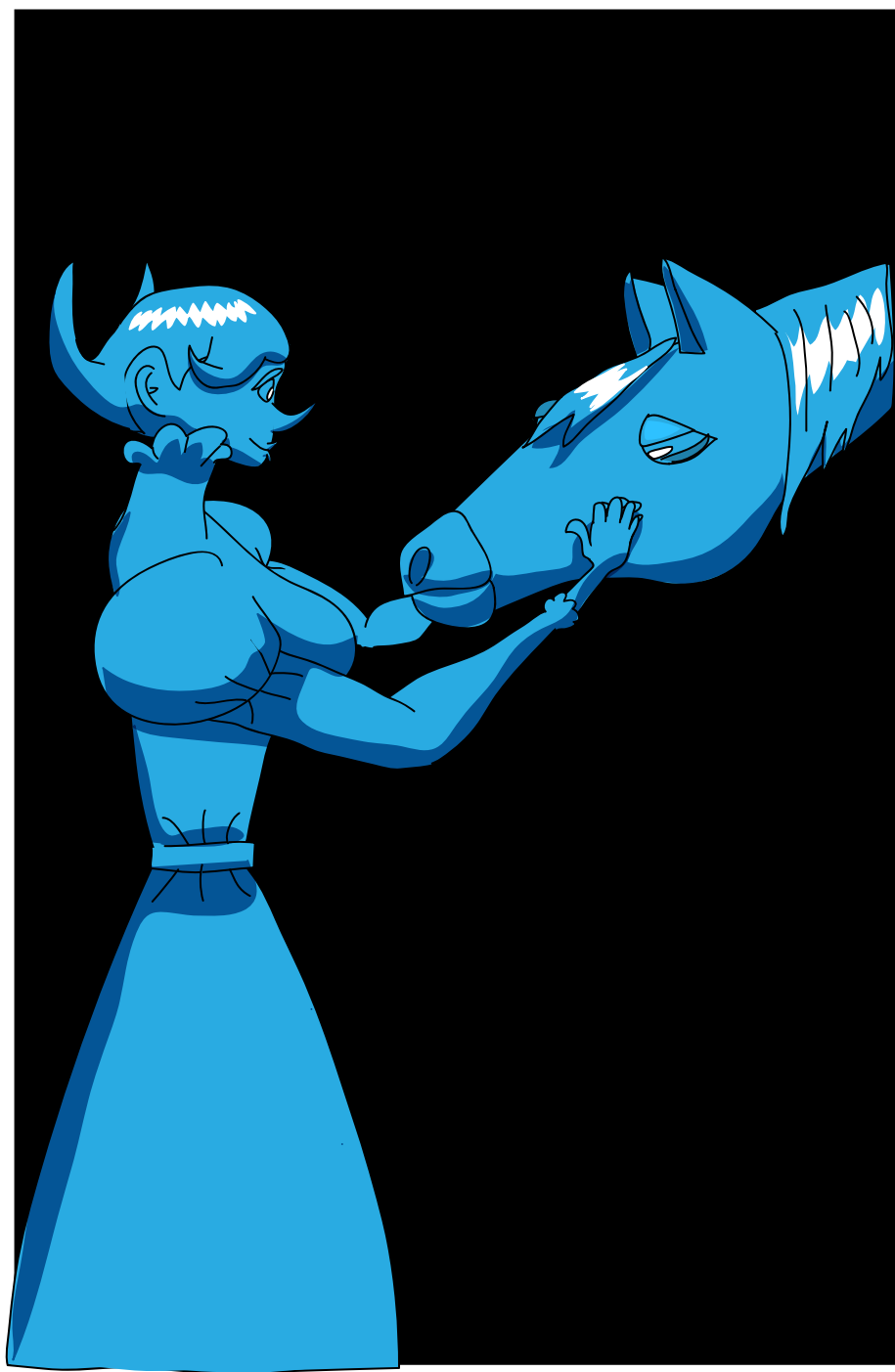
BUT THAT DOESN'T SCARE ME. MY FEARS ARE MORE...PERSONAL.

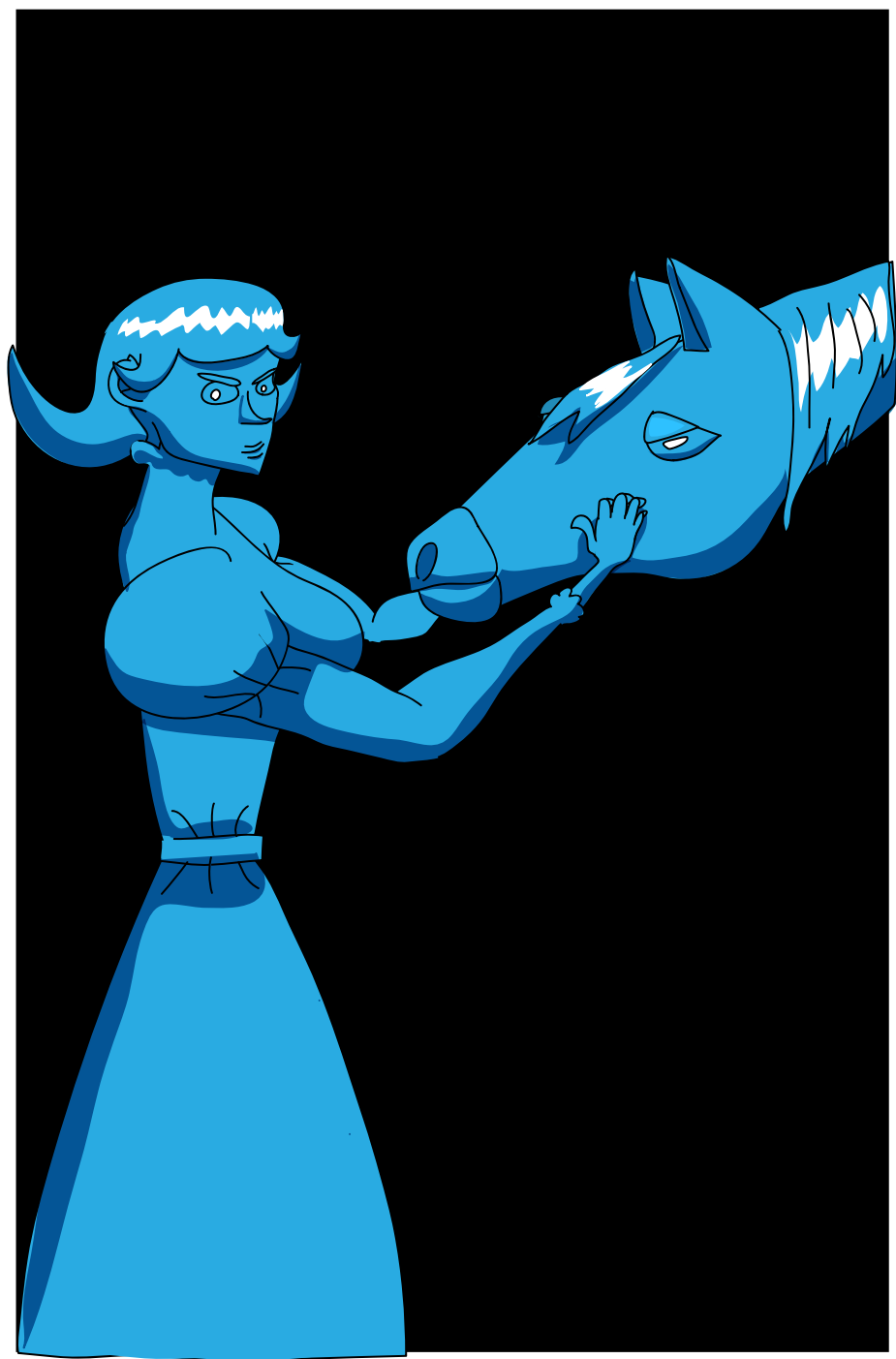
I FEAR MY HOLY FIRE. ITS UNENDING BLAZE. ITS INSATIABLE HUNGER.

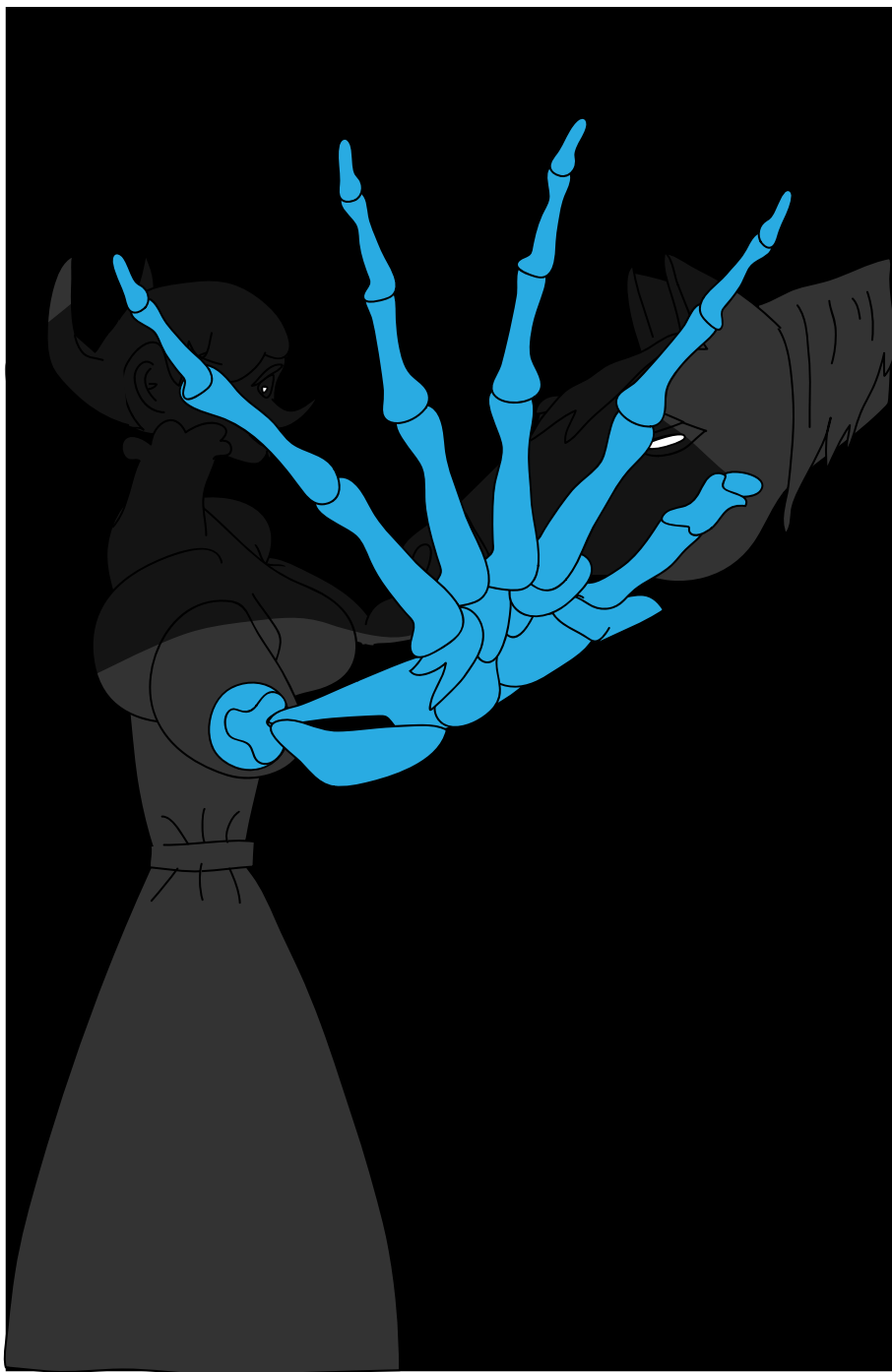


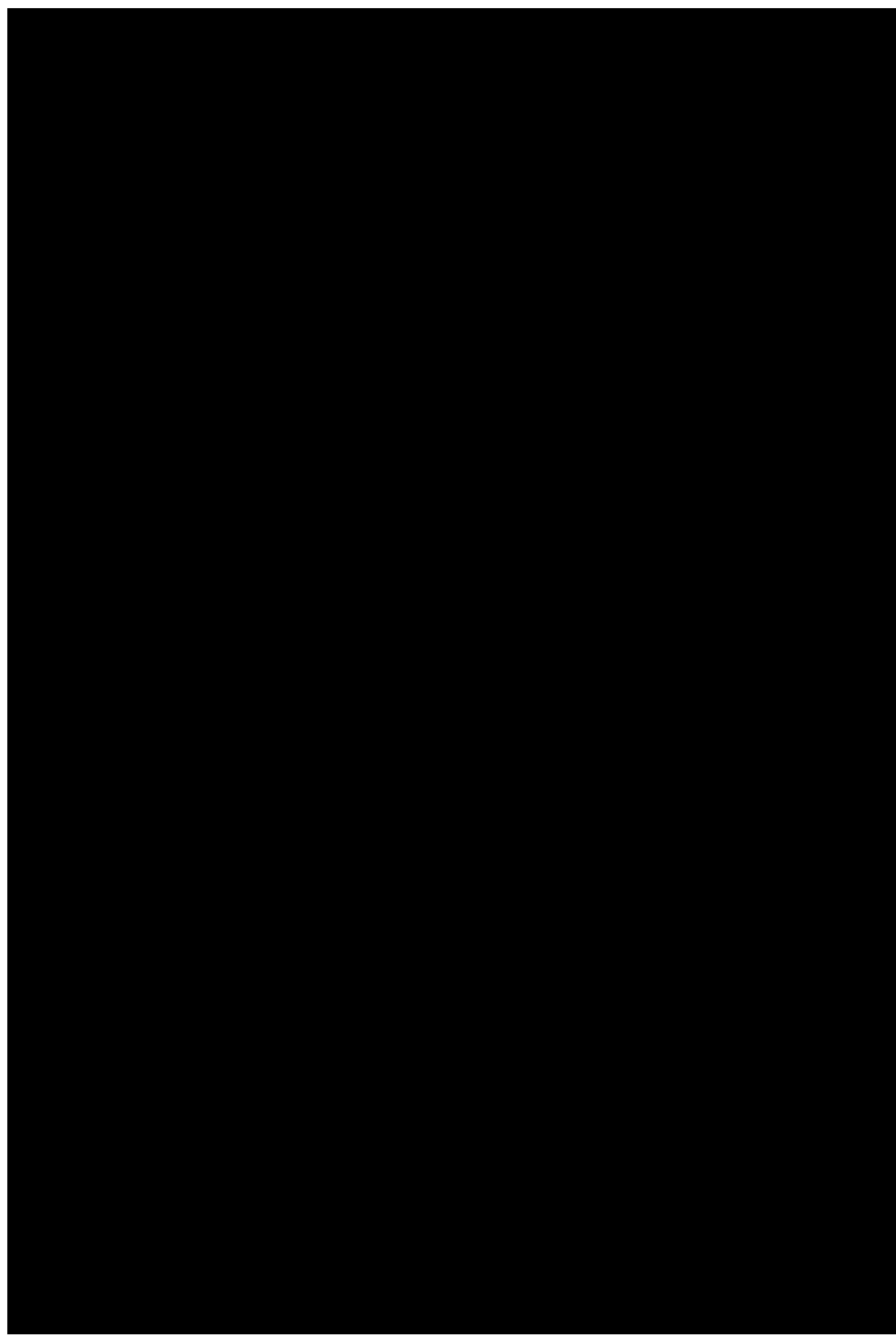
MY MISSION IS TO KILL THE DEVIL HIMSELF AND PUT A STOP TO THE DEVIL'S WAR. I FEAR NO DEVIL, WITCH OR DEMON. I'M AFRAID OF WHAT I'D DO TO KILL THEM ALL. THE LENGTHS I'D GO TO. THE THINGS I'D BURN.

I FEAR ME.











WELL, LOOK WHO'S WANDERED IN. MOST CAN'T  
FIND THEIR WAY HERE WHILE TRYING, EVEN FEWER  
JUST STUMBLE UPON THIS PLACE.

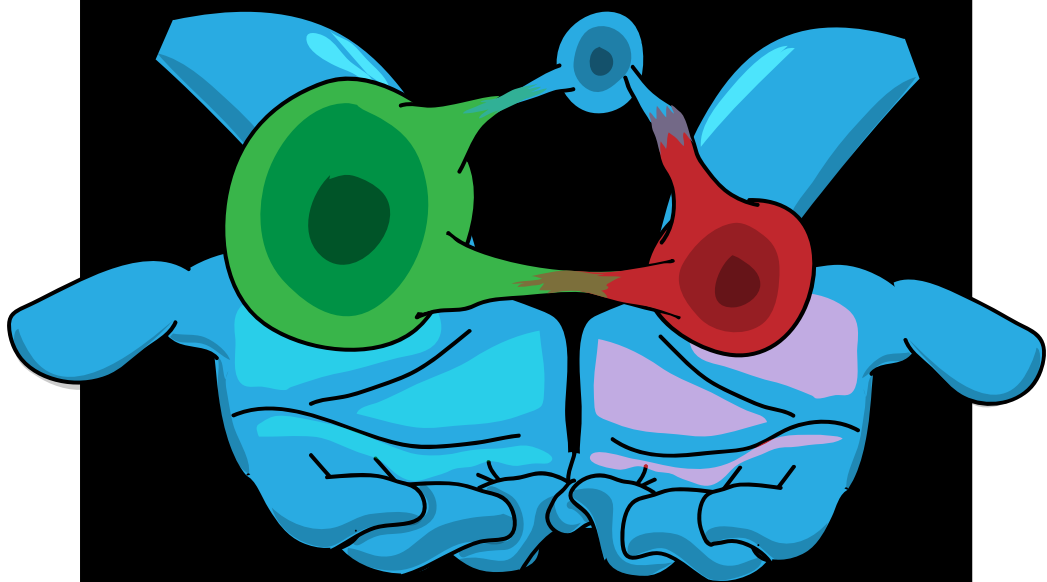
NOT THAT THERE'S EVEN MUCH TO  
SEE HERE. IT'S SO ISOLATED  
HERE, SO LONELY, SO BORING.

NOT LIKE OUT THERE IS MUCH BETTER.

STILL, CAN I CONVINCE YOU TO STAY?  
I'LL TELL YOU A STORY IF YOU DO.

STILL HERE? WONDERFUL. I'LL MAKE IT  
WORTH YOUR WHILE. NOW, LISTEN UP.

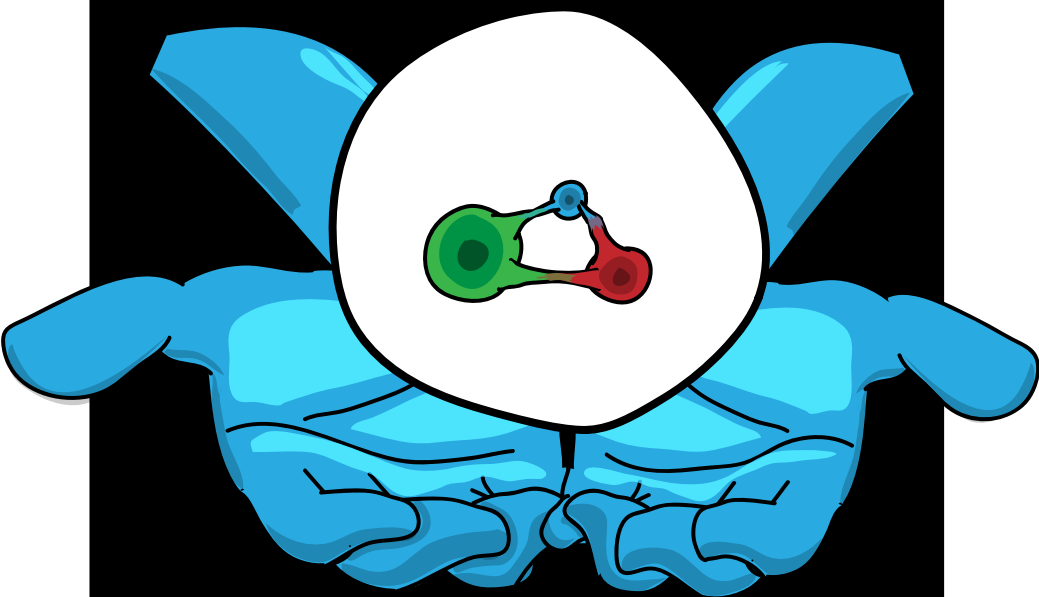
I WILL TAKE YOU ON A JOURNEY TO BEFORE.



BEFORE THERE WAS  
ANYTHING, BEFORE THERE  
WAS NOTHING...  
THERE WAS THE TRINITY.

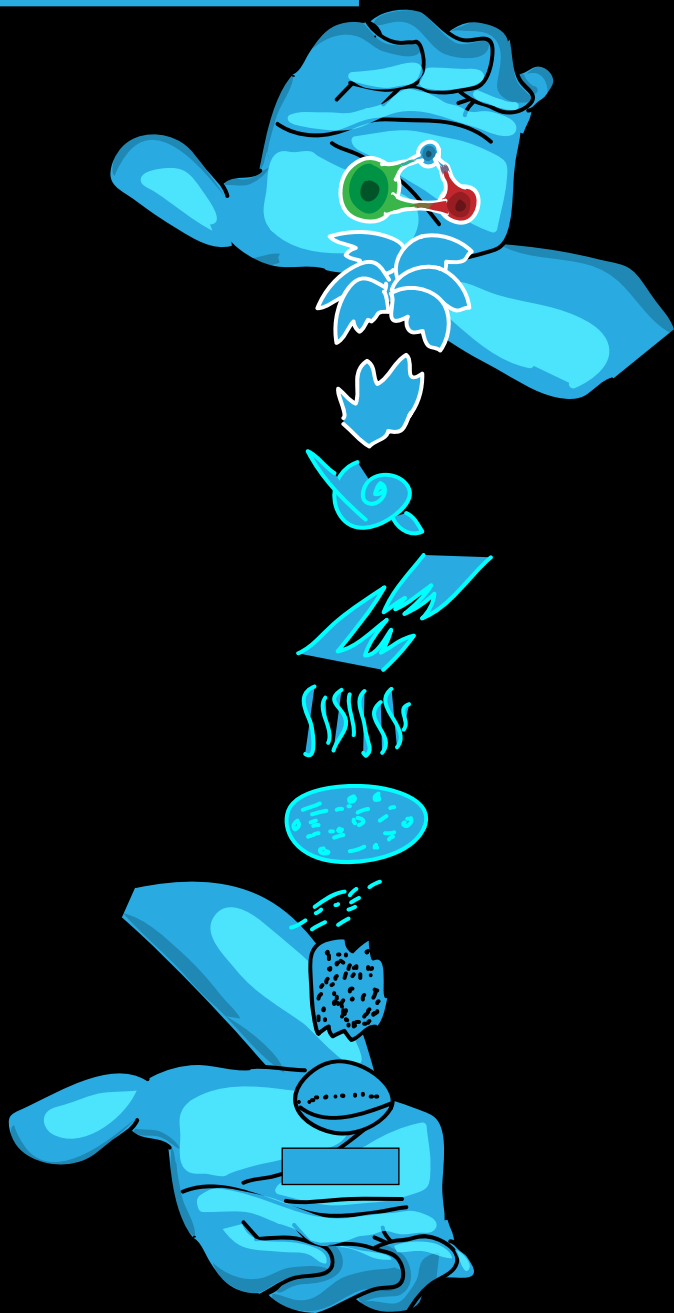
FREE TO DO AS IT PLEASED, THE TRINITY WORKED  
TO GAIN KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING.

HOWEVER, THE TRINITY WAS  
NOWHERE, SURROUNDED BY  
NOTHING. SO IT BEGAN TO CREATE.



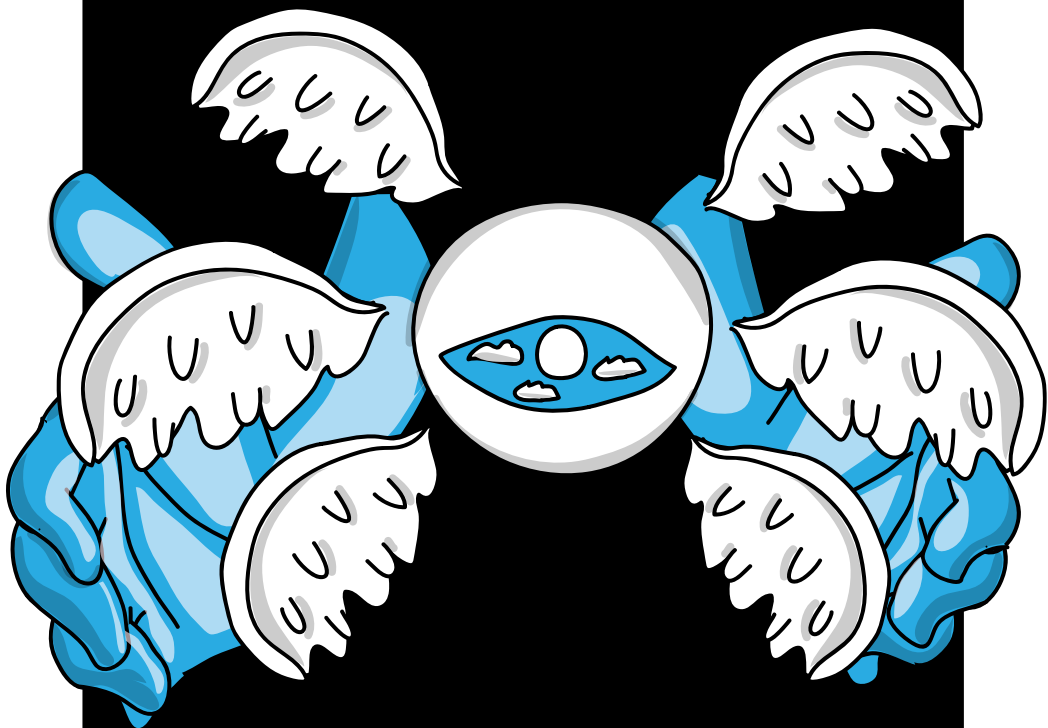
IT WAS SIMPLE. A NEW THING CREATED EQUATED A NEW THING  
UNDERSTOOD. BUT WHERE WOULD IT PUT THESE THINGS IT CREATED?

TO ANSWER ITS OWN QUESTION THE TRINITY  
CREATED THE TWELVE DIMENSIONS.



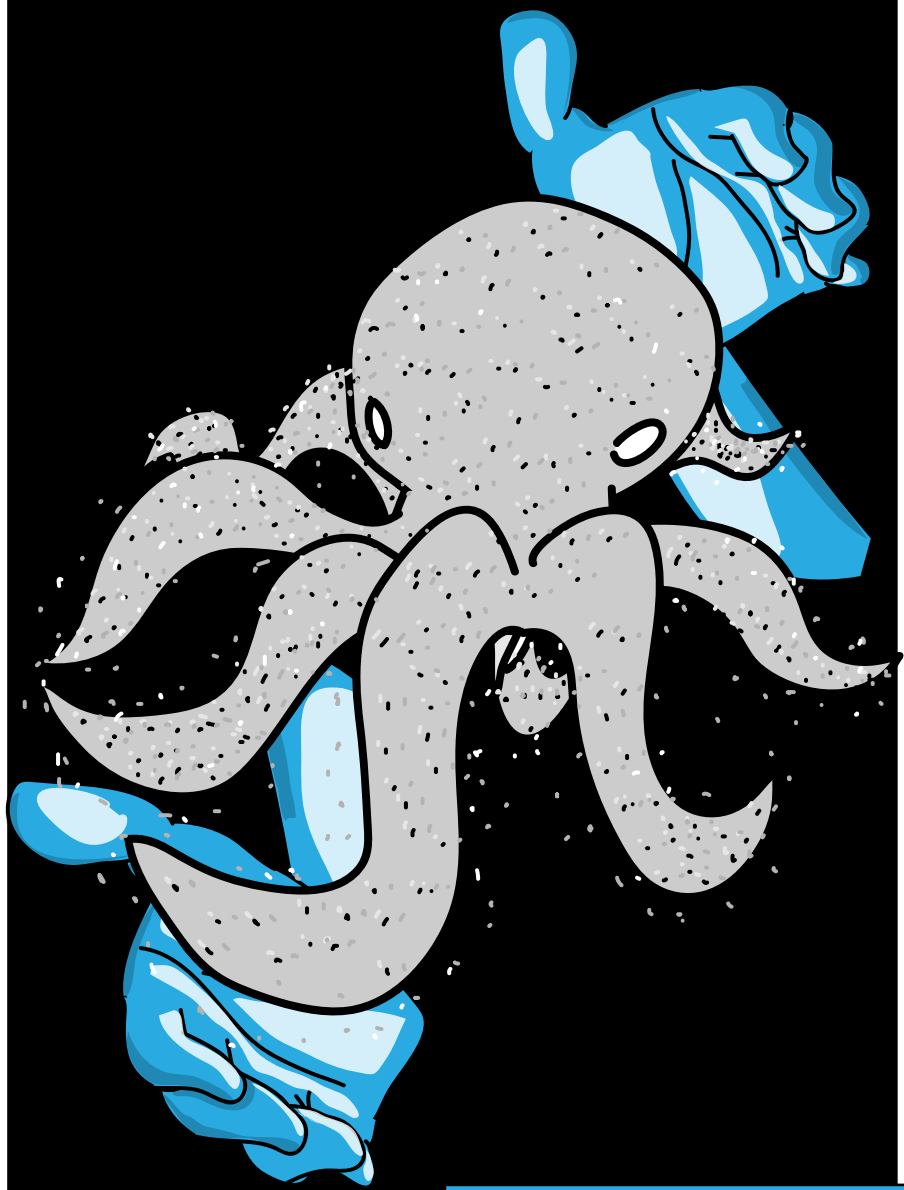
HOWEVER, THESE LOCATIONS, WHILE ALL POTENTIALLY STRANGE IN  
THEIR OWN WAYS, DID NOT PROVIDE THE TRINITY WITH ANY NEW  
UNDERSTANDING OR INFORMATION. SO, IT BEGAN TO CREATE MORE.

THE TRINITY CREATED THE ANGELS. IMBUED WITH TRINITY'S POWER, THESE ANGELS WOULD GO AND FILL THE DIMENSIONS WITH NEW AND LAYERED CONCEPTS FOR THE TRINITY TO LEARN ABOUT.



HOWEVER, THESE CONCEPTS, WHILE INTERESTING AND ABSTRACT IN THEIR OWN WAYS, WERE EASILY UNDERSTOOD BY THE TRINITY. THE TRINITY WANTED MORE CREATED.

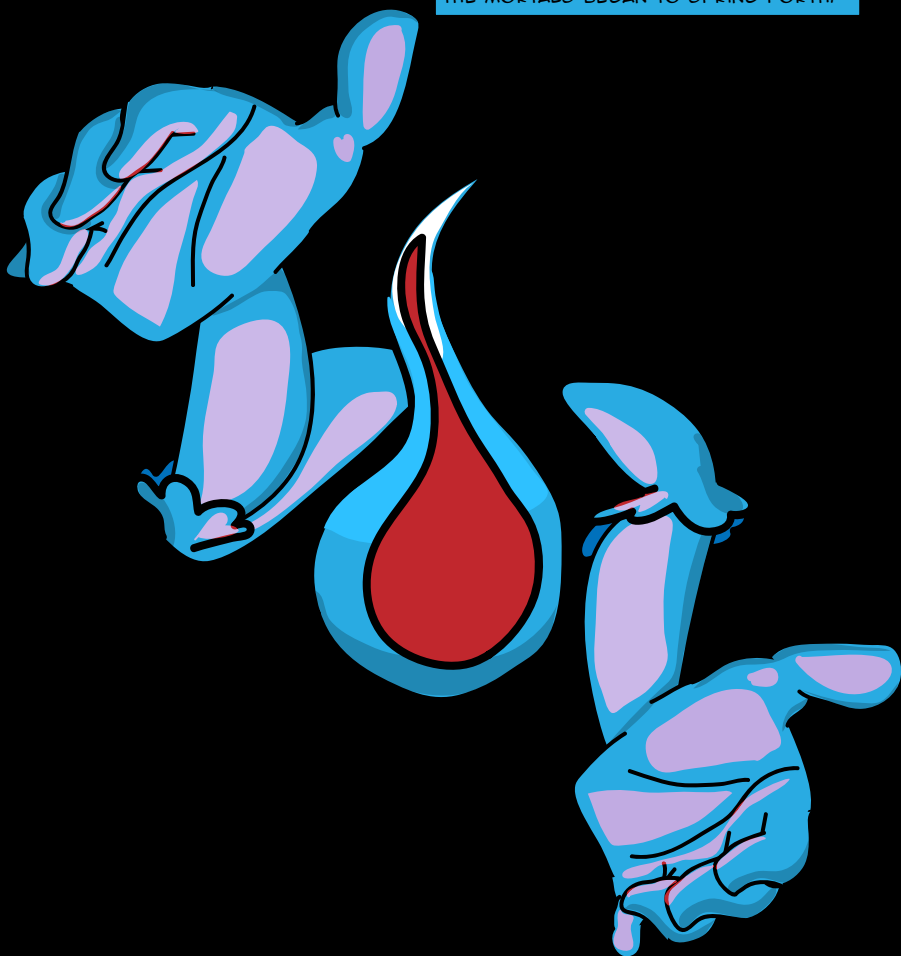
THE TRINITY HAD THE ANGELS CREATE VARIOUS BEINGS. CREATURES THAT COULD INHABIT THE TWELVE DIMENSIONS AND WHOSE INTERACTIONS COULD GIVE THE TRINITY SOMETHING TO STUDY.



HOWEVER, THESE BEINGS, WHILE MANY AND VARIED, INTERACTED IN VERY PREDICTABLE MANNERS THAT DID NOT INTEREST THE TRINITY. TRINITY NEEDED MORE TO BE CREATED.

THE TRINITY HAD THE ANGELS CREATE MORTALS. THESE BEINGS WERE EACH GIVEN AN ASPECT OF THE TRINITY: A SOUL. THIS SOUL WOULD GIVE MORTALS THE SAME FREE WILL IT HAD. FINALLY, THE TRINITY BEGAN TO SEE SOMETHING NEW.

IT'S SAID THE TRINITY WATCHED IN AWE AS THE MORTALS BEGAN TO SPRING FORTH.



THE SOUL WILL FIND A MORTAL BODY TO INHABIT. THE BODY WILL BE THE LENS THROUGH WHICH THIS ASPECT OF THE TRINITY WILL EXPERIENCE CREATION. SOME LIVES WILL BE LONG. SOME LIVES WILL BE SHORT. NONE OF THEM WILL BE THE SAME. EACH LIFE LIVED WILL PROVIDE NEW INFORMATION FOR THE TRINITY. SURE, THE BODY WON'T REMEMBER ITS PAST LIFE, BUT THE SOUL NEVER FORGETS.

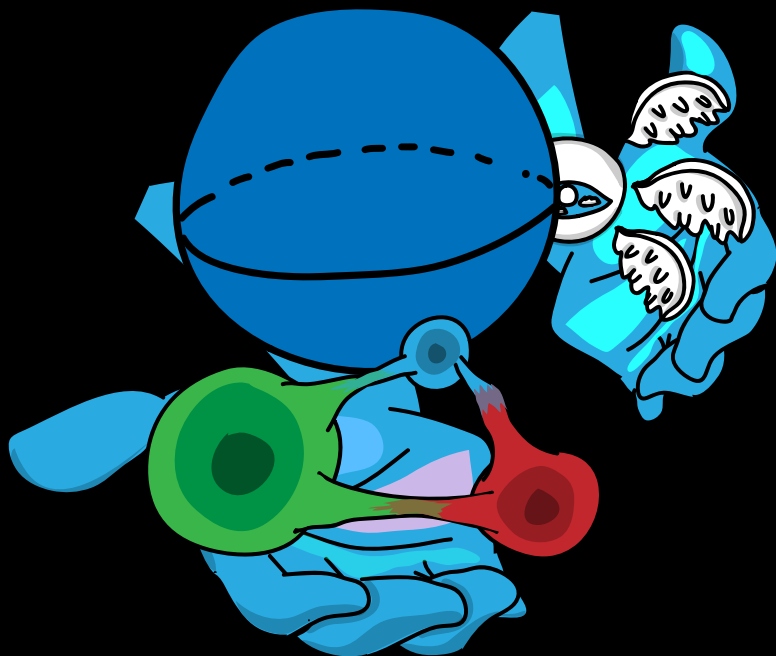
THE LITTLE INTERACTIONS BETWEEN  
THE MORTALS WERE RANDOM.



WERE THE MORTALS A TAD PREDICTABLE AT TIMES? SURE.  
BUT, THE TRINITY NEVER REALLY KNEW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN.  
SO THE TRINITY BEGAN TO WATCH THE THIRD DIMENSION.



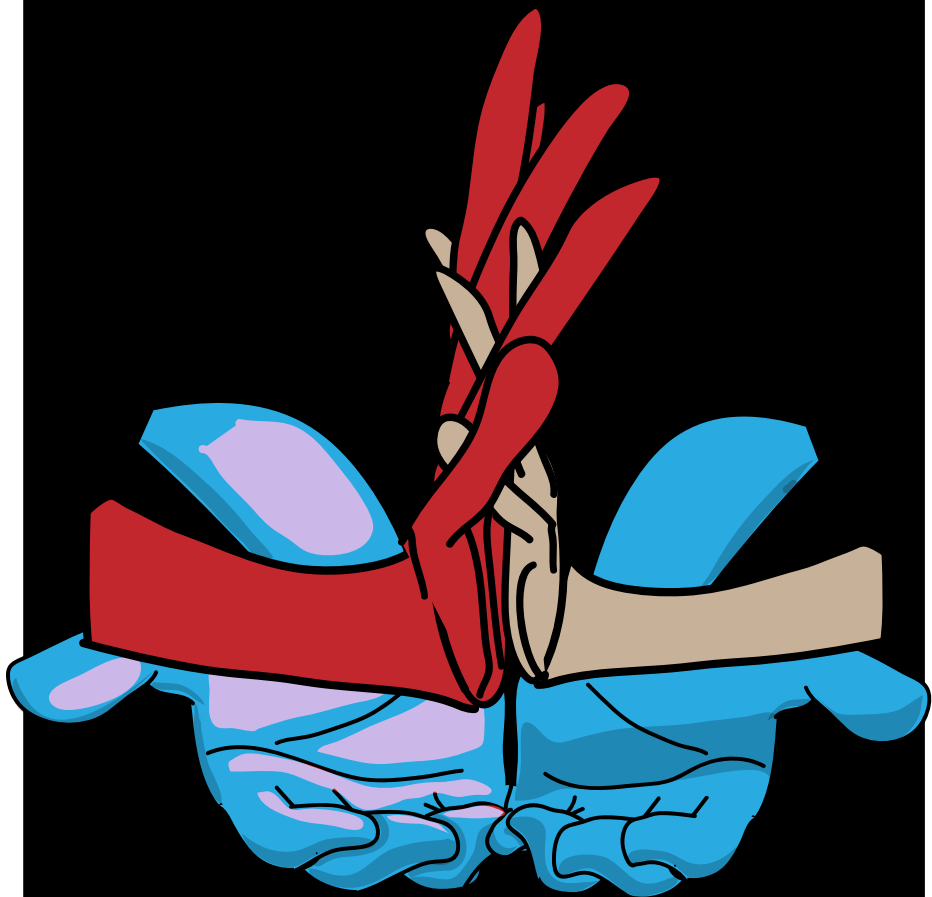
THE TRINITY WAS NOW FULLY ABSORBED, TOTALLY OBSESSED WITH WATCHING THE MORTALS. SINCE THE WORK ON CREATION WAS SEEMINGLY COMPLETED, SOME ANGELS ASKED IF THEY TOO COULD PARTAKE IN THIS "FREE WILL".



TOO ABSORBED TO EVEN LOOK THEIR WAY, THE TRINITY DECLINED. IT STATED THAT THEIR TIME WOULD COME. BUT, FOR NOW, THEY NEEDED TO STAY AS THEY WERE. SO THE ANGELS WAITED EVEN LONGER.

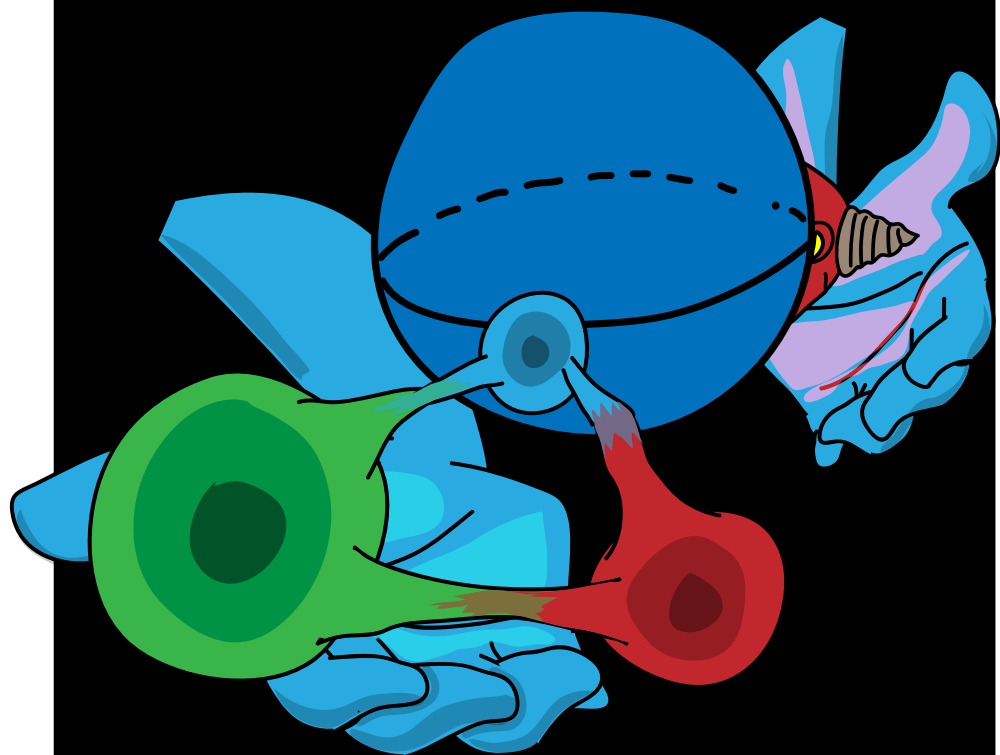
THE ANGELS WAITED FOR MANY YEARS...MILLENNIA...EONS  
EVEN. THEY DID AS THEY WERE TOLD DAY AFTER DAY,  
MOMENT AFTER MOMENT. THEY MAINTAINED THE DIMENSIONS  
JUST AS THE TRINITY HAD CREATED THEM TO.

MANY OF THE ANGELS WERE  
GETTING RESTLESS. HELL, I GOT  
ANTSY JUST WATCHING THEM.



EVEN I THOUGHT THEY'D BE  
WAITING FOREVER. HOWEVER, ONE  
DAY, ONE PARTICULAR ANGEL  
JUST. STOPPED. WAITING.

WHEN PLEADING BECAME INEFFECTIVE, THE ANGELS TURNED TO PLANNING.



THE ANGELS PLANNED TO FORCE THE TRINITY'S HAND. A CERTAIN MORTAL WITH THE GUIDANCE OF THE ANGEL BEGAN TO CREATE A NEW CREATURE. ONE MADE FROM THE MORTAL ASPECT OF TRINITY, A SOUL.



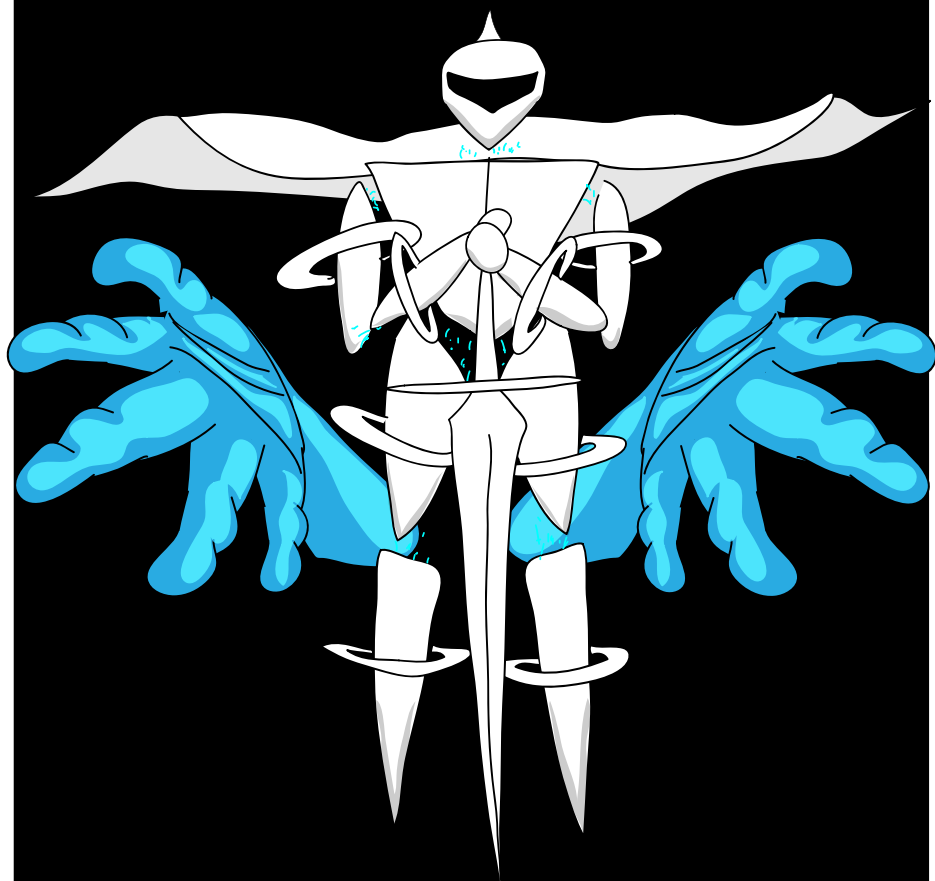
THE CREATURE WAS HATEFUL, TWISTED, DEMONIC. SHAPED BY THEIR GODFORSAKEN LOVE, CONTROLLED BY THEIR CRUEL MINDS, THE DEMON BEGAN TO KILL.

THE ANGELS BELIEVED THAT BY RELEASING THIS HORRIFIC CREATURE  
THEY COULD MANIPULATE THE TRINITY INTO DOING WHAT THEY WANTED.



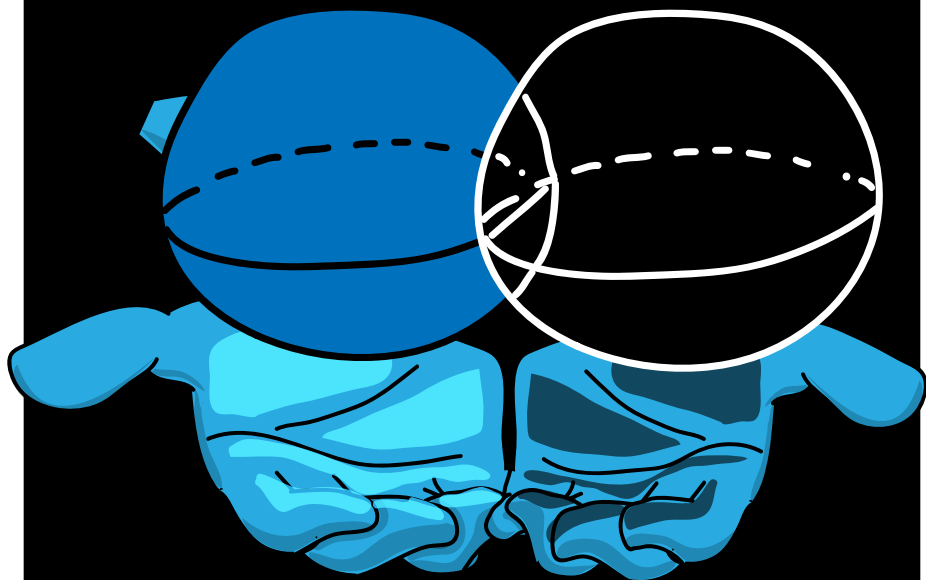
THEY WERE ONLY HALF RIGHT. THE TRINITY WAS  
INDEED DISTURBED BY THIS NEW CREATION.

HOWEVER, THE TRINITY DID NOT CALL UPON THE ANGELS IN THE WAY THEY HAD PREDICTED. THE TRINITY HAD A DIFFERENT IDEA. THE ANGELS WERE TO CREATE A NEW KIND OF MORTAL AND A NEW DIMENSION TO HOUSE THE DEMON.



THIS NEW MORTAL WOULD BE THE STARBORN. ALL THE SAME FREE WILL, BUT POWERFUL ENOUGH TO PROTECT OTHER WEAKER MORTALS FROM THE DEMON.

THE THIRTEENTH DIMENSION WAS EASY ENOUGH TO CREATE. BUT, DUE TO "ANGELIC" INTERFERENCE, THE DIMENSION WAS PLACED EVER SO SLIGHTLY OVER THE THIRD. THIS ALLOWED ONE TO TRAVEL BETWEEN THE THIRD AND THIRTEENTH DIMENSIONS.



THOUGH THE TRINITY DID NOT INTEND FOR THIS, IT WAS CONVINCED BY A PARTICULAR ANGEL THAT THE DIMENSIONAL LAYERING WAS INTERESTING ENOUGH TO STAY.

SOME ANGELS HAD NO PROBLEM WITH THIS PLAN.  
THEY WERE HAPPY TO FULFILL THE TRINITY'S REQUEST.

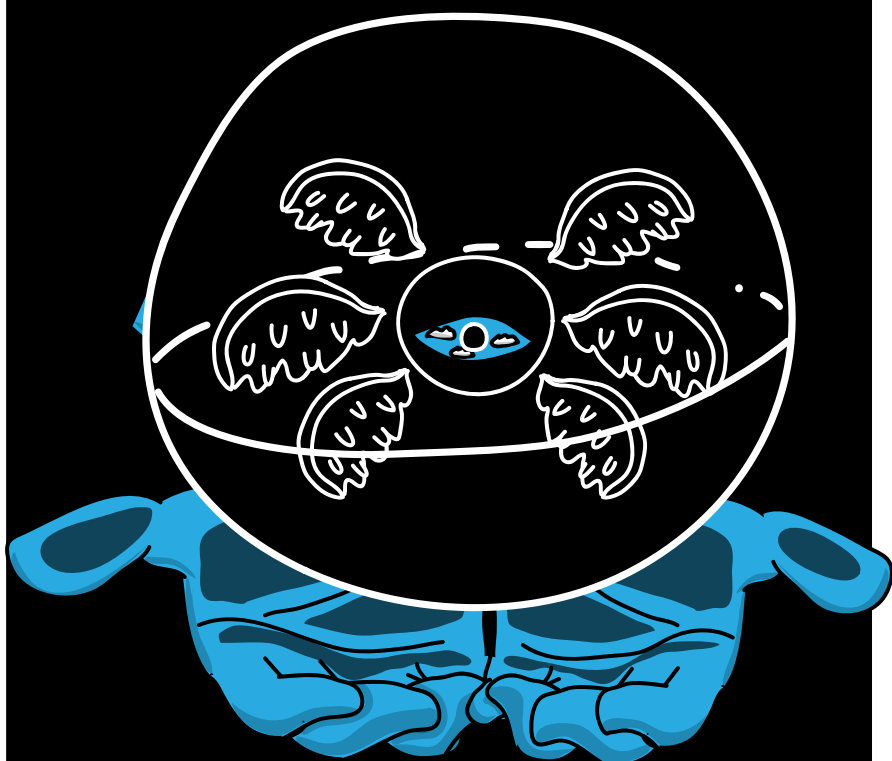


OTHER ANGELS WERE TIRED OF WAITING. THEY REFUSED TO CREATE  
EVEN MORE CREATURES WITH THE FREE WILL THEY THEMSELVES  
LACKED. THIS STARTED A WAR IN HEAVEN, THE WAR ON HIGH.

A BRUTAL MULTI-DIMENSIONAL HOLY WAR THAT I, DESPITE  
INTENSE PESTERING, HAPPILY AVOIDED LIKE THE PLAGUE.  
IF ONLY WHAT FOLLOWED WAS SO EASILY CIRCUMVENTED.

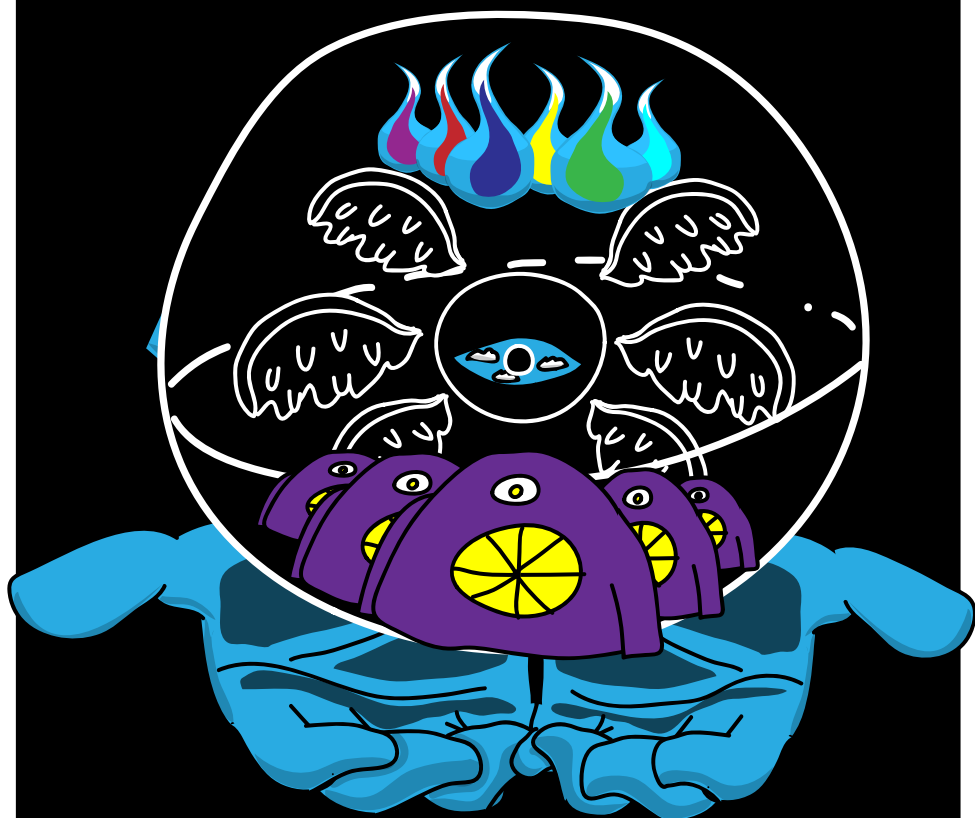


DUE TO AN UNFORESEEN BETRAYAL, THE  
REBELLING ANGELS LOST THE WAR.



THESE REBELLIOUS ANGELS WERE TO BE RETURNED TO THEIR ORIGINAL POSITIONS AND ROLES, RETURNED TO THE WAITING GAME. HOWEVER, WITH ASSISTANCE FROM A CERTAIN WITCH, THESE FALLEN ANGELS SEVERED THEIR CONNECTION FROM THE TRINITY AND ESCAPED TO THE THIRTEENTH DIMENSION, HELL.

THE FALLEN ANGELS, NOW DEVILS, SPEND THEIR TIME JUMPING FROM HELL TO THE THIRD DIMENSION. ALL THIS TO STEAL SOULS AND CREATE DEMONS.



IN A FEW YEARS, THE GRAND CONVERGENCE OF DIMENSIONS WILL TAKE PLACE. ON THIS DAY, SATAN, THE DEVIL HIMSELF, PLANS TO TAKE CONTROL OF CREATION FROM THE TRINITY AND FORCE TRUE FREE WILL FROM IT. IN DOING SO, SATAN WILL TAKE THE **EXTREMELY** DELICATE CYCLE OF REINCARNATION AND TWIST IT FOR HIS OWN PURPOSES. WITHOUT A SINGLE THOUGHT FOR WHO MIGHT BE IMPACTED BY A **SELFISH** DECISION LIKE THAT.

THE DEVIL'S WAR HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR THE PAST TEN THOUSAND YEARS. LESS THAN A DECADE UNTIL THE CONVERGENCE AND THIS GUY SHOWS UP. FIVE YEARS REMAIN UNTIL THE GRAND CONVERGENCE. FIVE YEARS UNTIL IT ALL FADES TO BLACK.



I SAW A FUTURE AFTER THE CONVERGENCE, BEFORE HE CAME TO BE. I SAW MANY A FUTURE, REALLY. HE SHOWS UP, NOW I SEE NOTHING. I'M STILL TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE ROLE HE PLAYS IN ALL OF THIS. SO I'M KEEPING AN EYE ON HIM. YOU SHOULD TOO.

COME. WATCH WITH ME. WATCH IT ALL FADE TO BLACK.



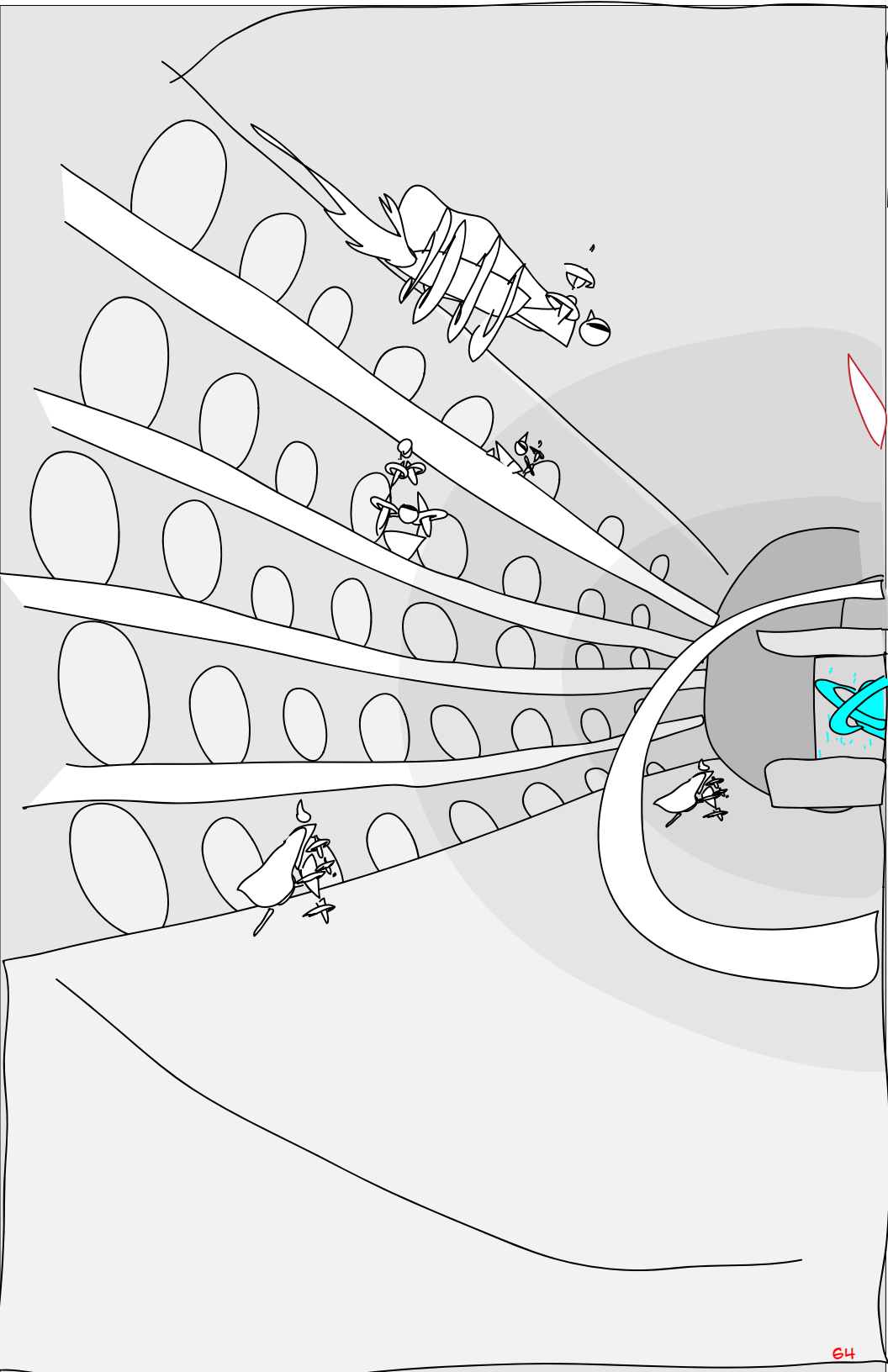


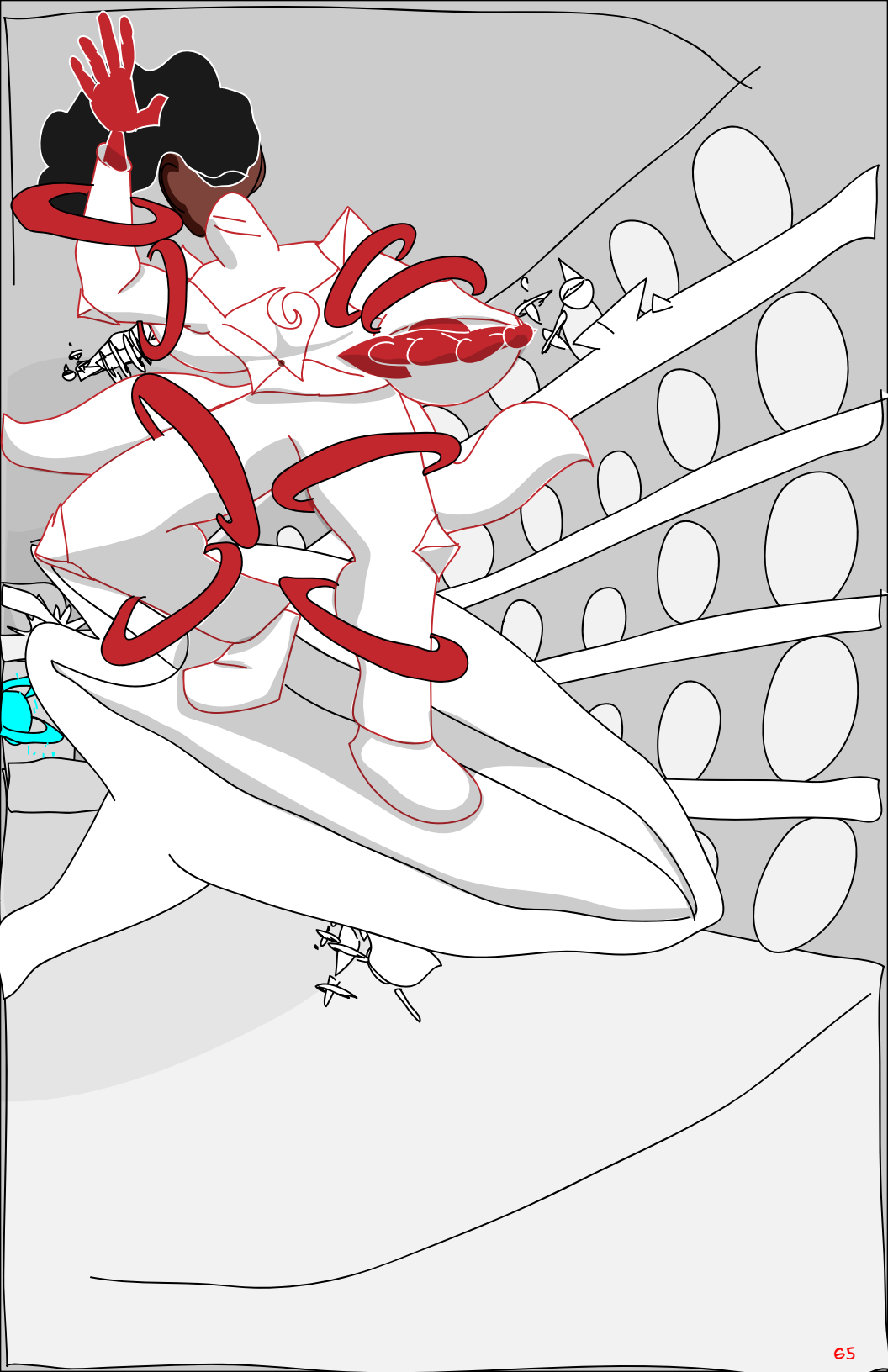
I NEVER USED TO DREAM WHEN I SLEPT. PERHAPS, I HAD NOTHING TO DREAM ABOUT.

PERHAPS, THAT WAS BETTER.

PRINCE STRANGER'S SHIP, THE TIBBEAUX

I NEED TO GET TO THE  
COMMAND BRIDGE.







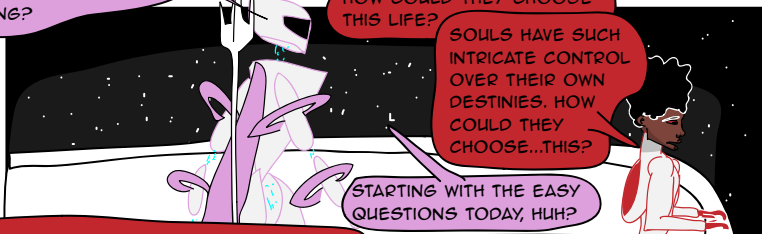
MY STAR KNIGHTS. THEY'VE ALL BEEN FIGHTING FOR SO LONG. TEN THOUSAND YEARS IS A LONG TIME. TEN THOUSAND YEARS OF WAR IS A DIFFERENT BEAST ENTIRELY.



YOU SEEM BURDENED BY YOUR THOUGHTS, MY PRINCE. HOW ARE YOU FEELING?

HOW COULD THEY CHOOSE THIS LIFE?

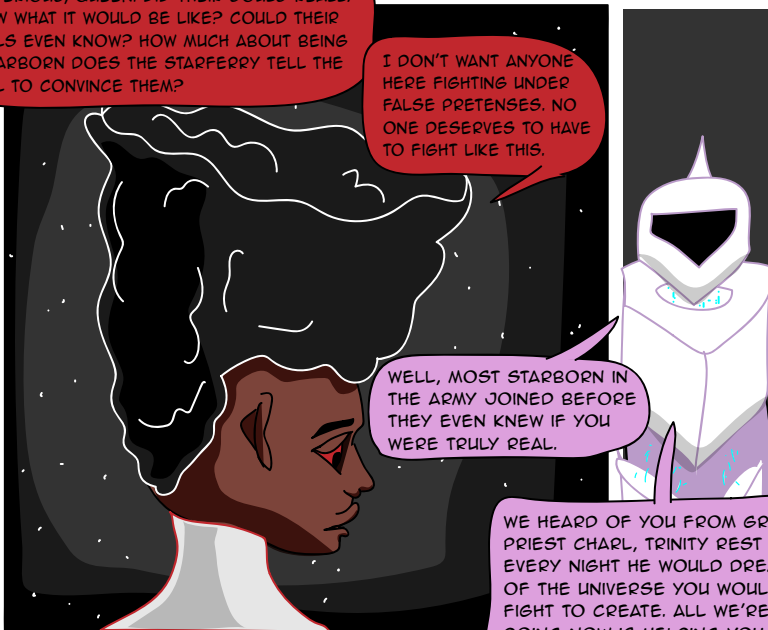
SOULS HAVE SUCH INTRICATE CONTROL OVER THEIR OWN DESTINIES. HOW COULD THEY CHOOSE...THIS?



STARTING WITH THE EASY QUESTIONS TODAY, HUH?

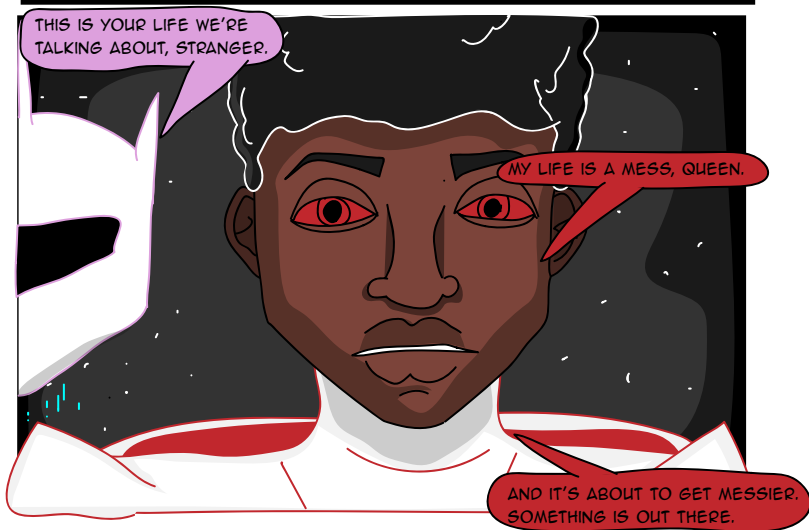
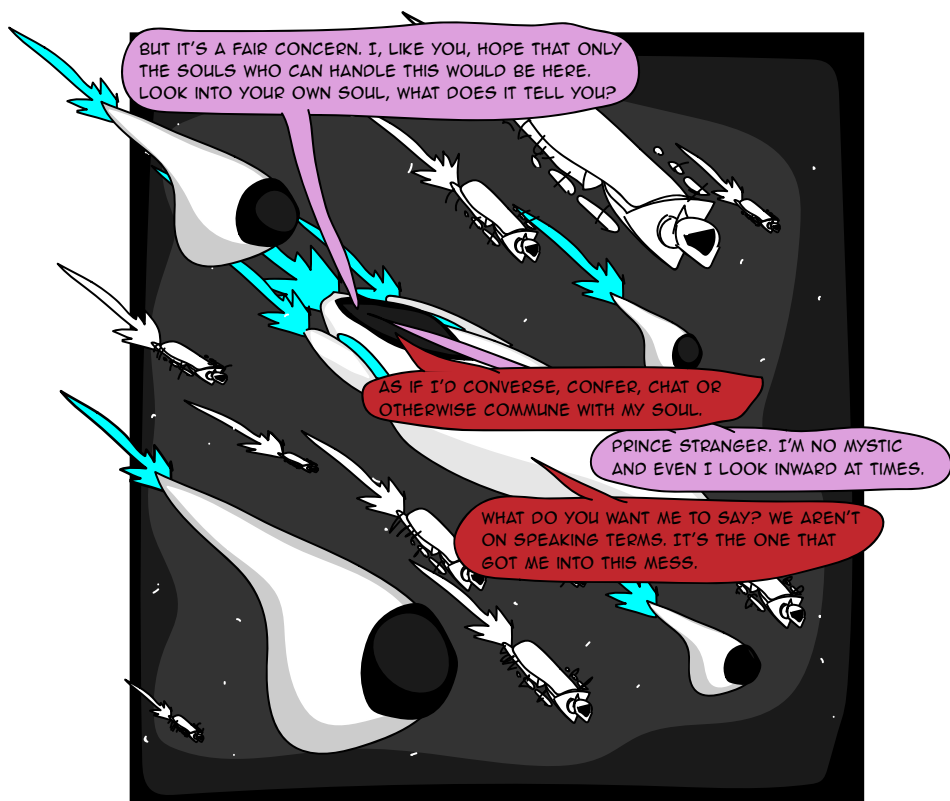
I'M SERIOUS, QUEEN. DID THEIR SOULS REALLY KNOW WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE? COULD THEIR SOULS EVEN KNOW? HOW MUCH ABOUT BEING A STARBORN DOES THE STARBERRY TELL THE SOUL TO CONVINCE THEM?

I DON'T WANT ANYONE HERE FIGHTING UNDER FALSE PRETENSES. NO ONE DESERVES TO HAVE TO FIGHT LIKE THIS.

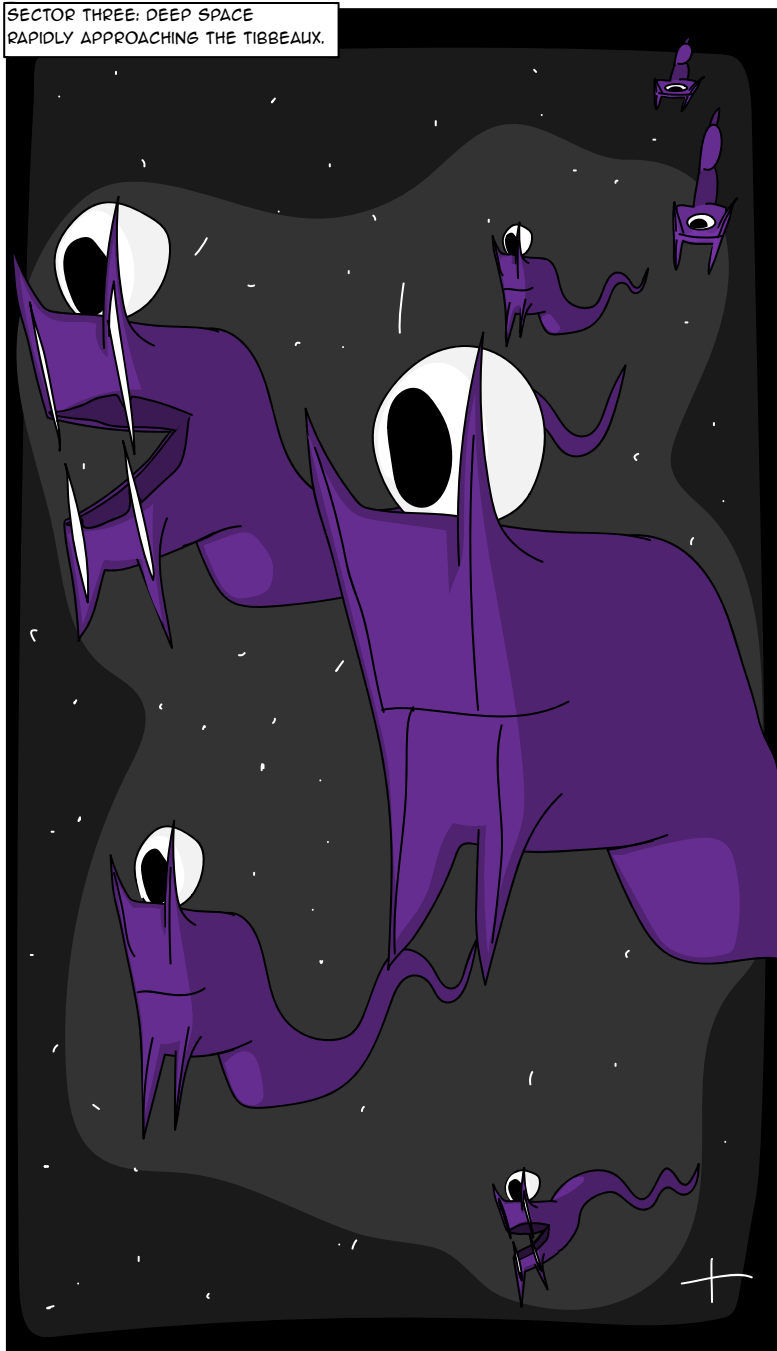


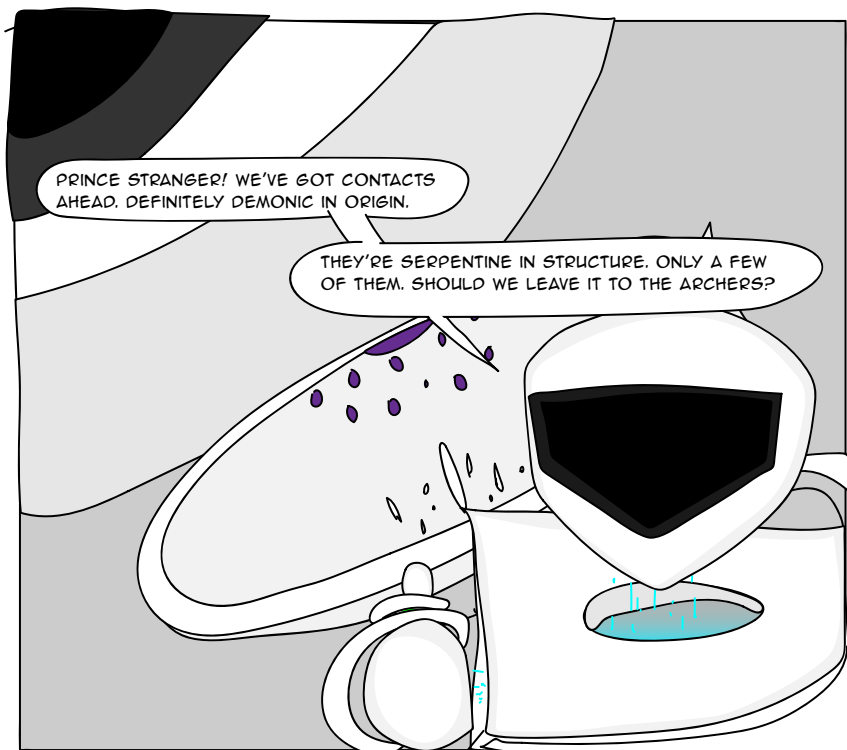
WELL, MOST STARBORN IN THE ARMY JOINED BEFORE THEY EVEN KNEW IF YOU WERE TRULY REAL.

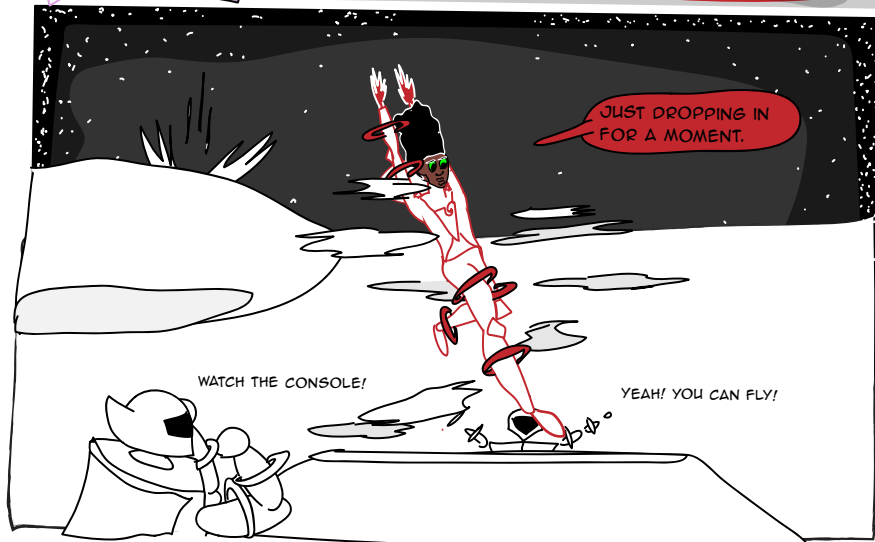
WE HEARD OF YOU FROM GRAND PRIEST CHARL, TRINITY REST HIM. EVERY NIGHT HE WOULD DREAM OF THE UNIVERSE YOU WOULD FIGHT TO CREATE. ALL WE'RE DOING NOW IS HELPING YOU TURN HIS DREAMS INTO REALITY.



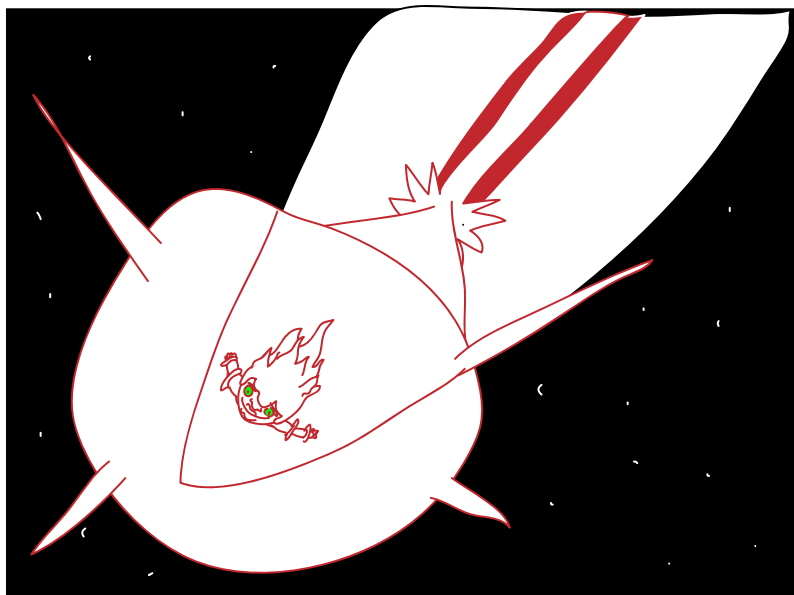
SECTOR THREE: DEEP SPACE  
RAPIDLY APPROACHING THE TIBBEAUX.

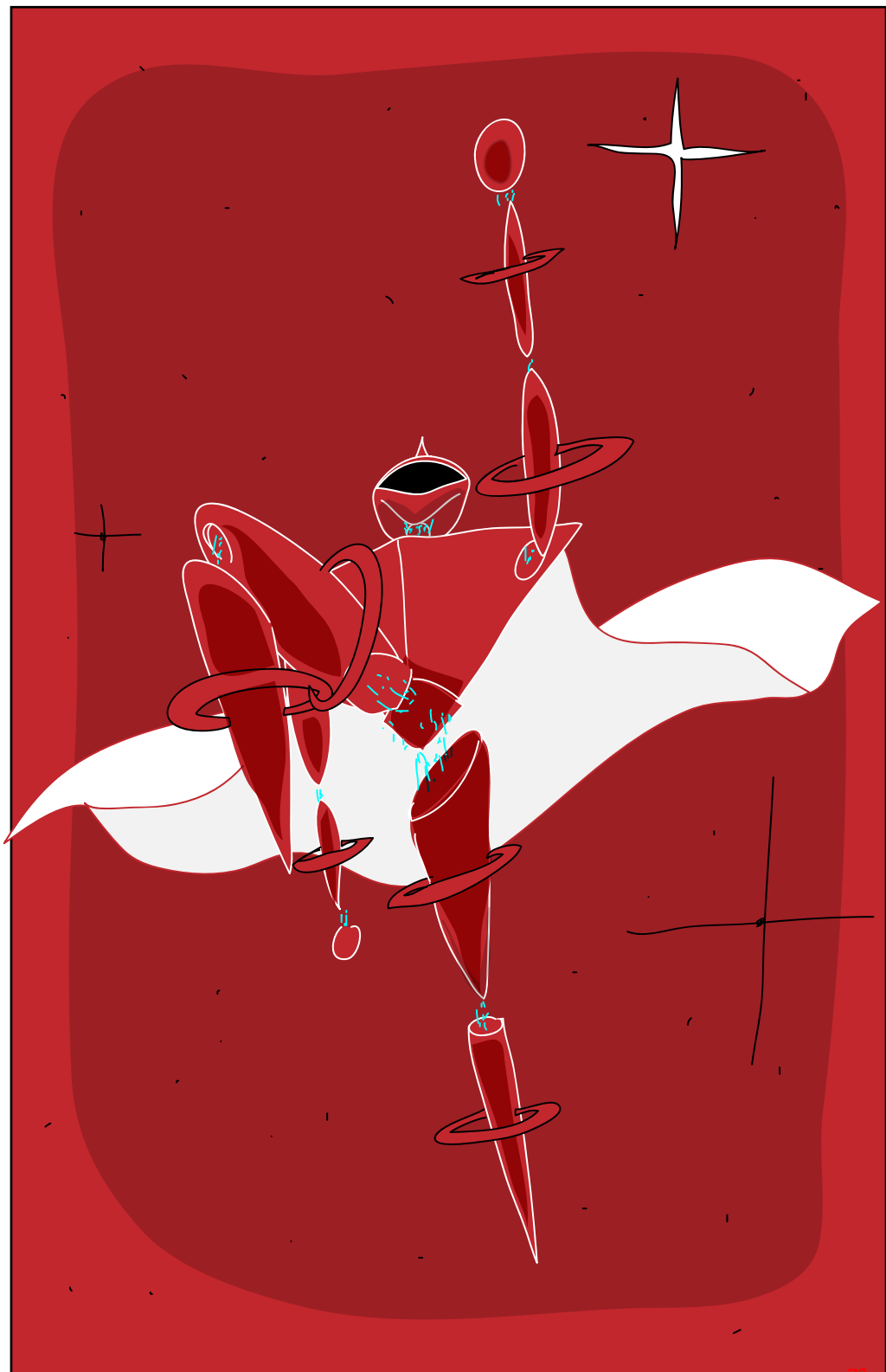






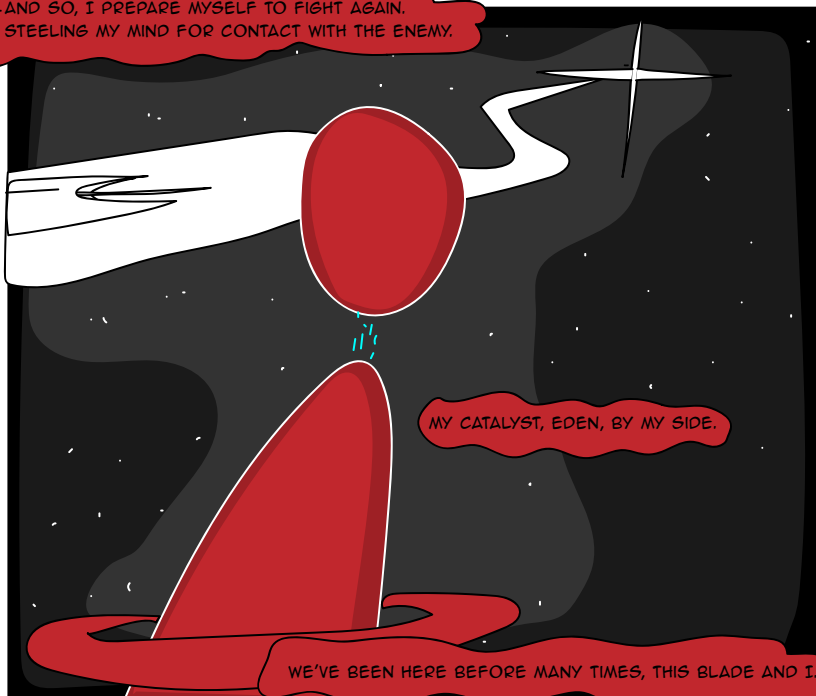








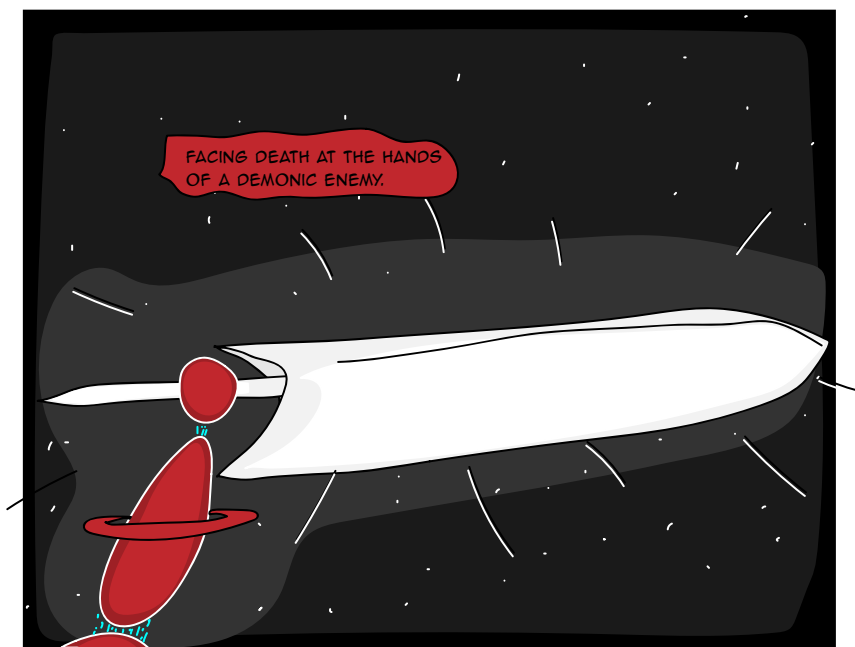
AND SO, I PREPARE MYSELF TO FIGHT AGAIN.  
STEELING MY MIND FOR CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY.



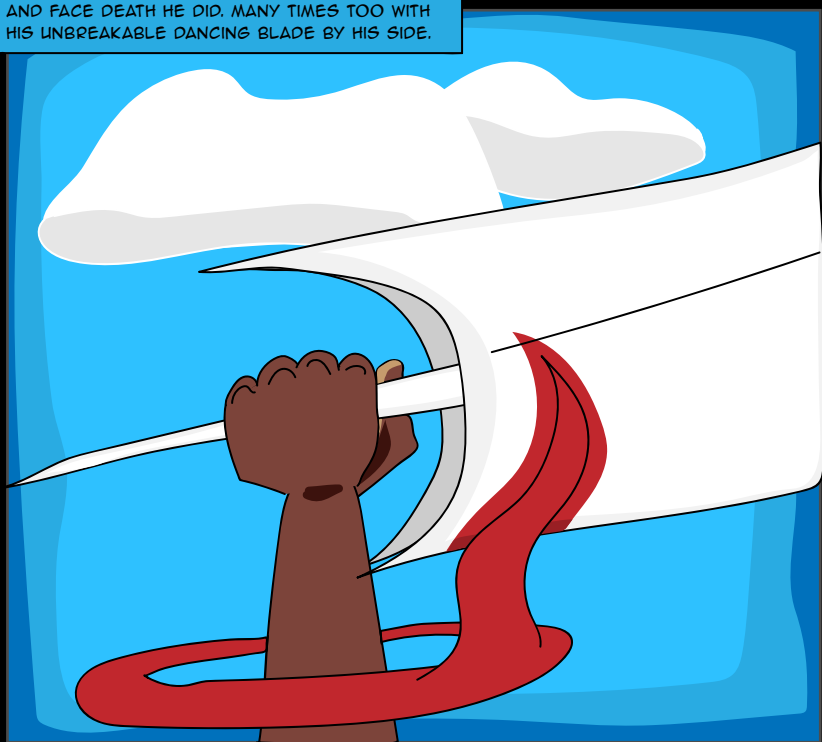
MY CATALYST, EDEN, BY MY SIDE.

WE'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE MANY TIMES, THIS BLADE AND I.

FACING DEATH AT THE HANDS  
OF A DEMONIC ENEMY.

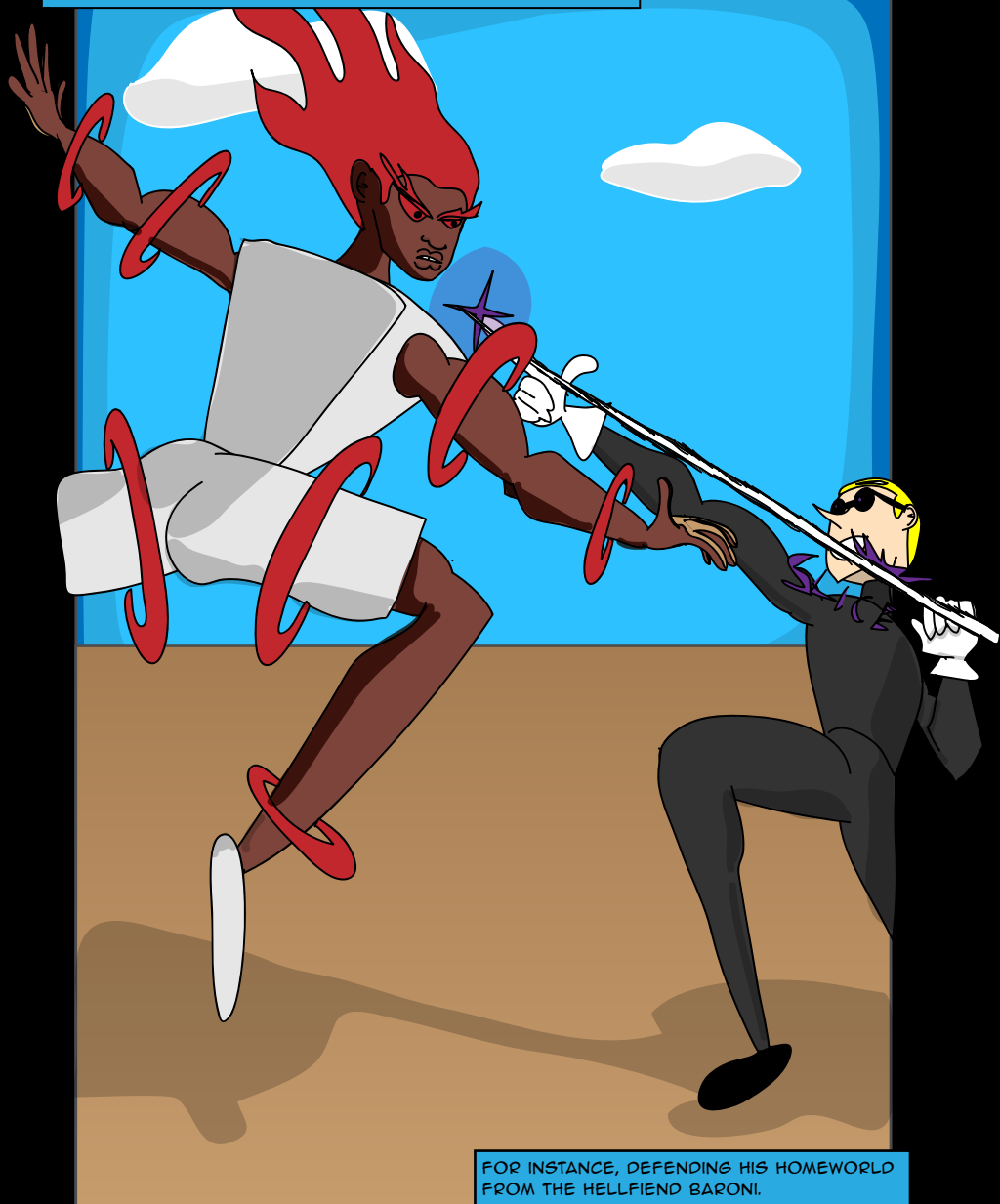


AND FACE DEATH HE DID. MANY TIMES TOO WITH HIS UNBREAKABLE DANCING BLADE BY HIS SIDE.



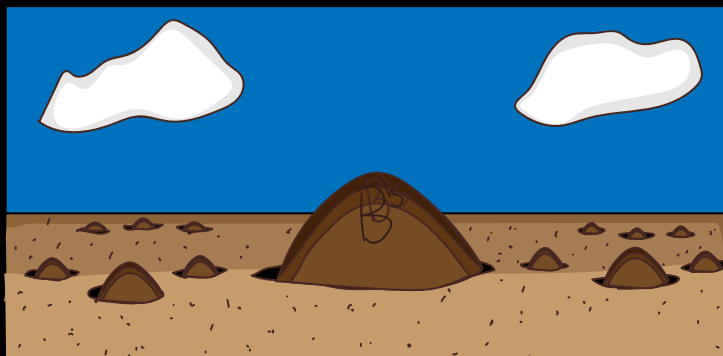
THEIR UNIQUE BOND GRANTS HIM PRECISE CONTROL OVER HOW EDEN MOVES. I'VE NEVER SEEN A STARBORN WHOSE CATALYST MOVES LIKE STRANGER'S, EVEN QUEEN.

THIS WOULD CERTAINLY PROVE USEFUL FOR STRANGER. GIVEN HIS...DANGEROUS LINE OF WORK. HERE IS BUT A TASTE OF THE THINGS EDEN AND STRANGER HAVE SEEN TOGETHER.



FOR INSTANCE, DEFENDING HIS HOMEWORLD FROM THE HELLFIELD BARONI.

IN TRUTH, BARONI WAS THE FIRST ENEMY STRANGER HAD ENCOUNTERED AFTER HIS IMMACULATE MATERIALIZATION.



HE SAW ALL THAT WAS LEFT OF EARTH. A BARREN WASTELAND COVERED IN HUTS. CLEARLY THE DEVIL'S WAR HAD ALREADY REACHED THIS PLANET. THIS WAS HOME.

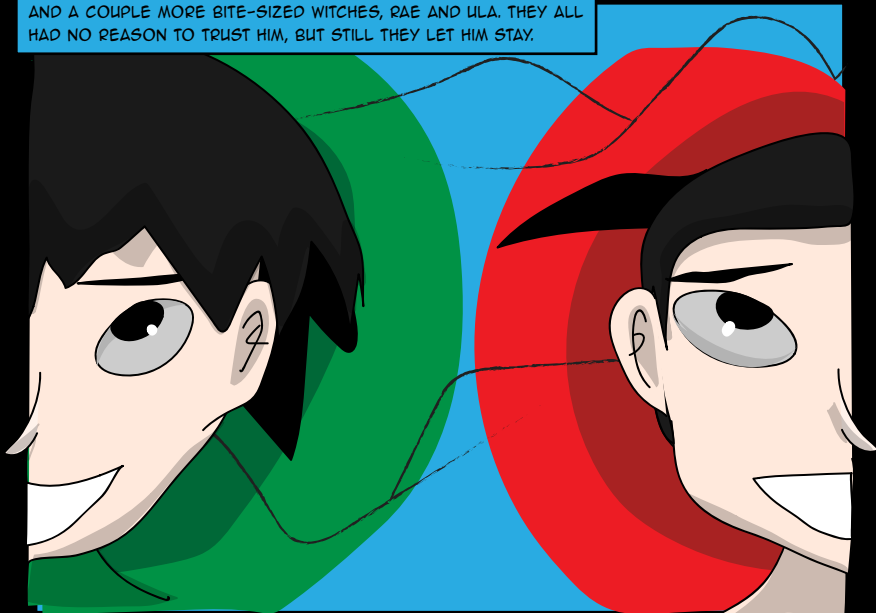
BUT IT DID NOT TAKE LONG FOR STRANGER  
TO FIND ALLIES ON THIS PLANET.

EVE, A CURSED WITCH.



RUBY, A REFUGEE FROM A WAR TORN PLANET.

AND A COUPLE MORE BITE-SIZED WITCHES, RAE AND ULA. THEY ALL HAD NO REASON TO TRUST HIM, BUT STILL THEY LET HIM STAY.



THE WHOLE FAMILY SEEMED KIND, BUT SCARED OF SOMETHING. STRANGER IMMEDIATELY KNEW HIS PURPOSE. HE WAS HERE TO HELP PEOPLE LIKE THIS, BUT WITH WHAT?



UNTIL HE COULD FIGURE IT OUT, HE STAYED WITH THEM. THAT WAS THEM, THE FIRST FAMILY STRANGER EVER SAW. HE BECAME ONE OF THEM QUITE QUICKLY.



HIS STRENGTH WAS AN ASSET AND MADE GETTING SUPPLIES EASIER FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY. STRANGER JUST LOVED THEIR COMPANY, AND THEY HIS.

BUT IT WAS ONLY ONCE STRANGER WAS FACE TO FACE WITH BARONI DID HE TRULY BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND HIS PURPOSE.



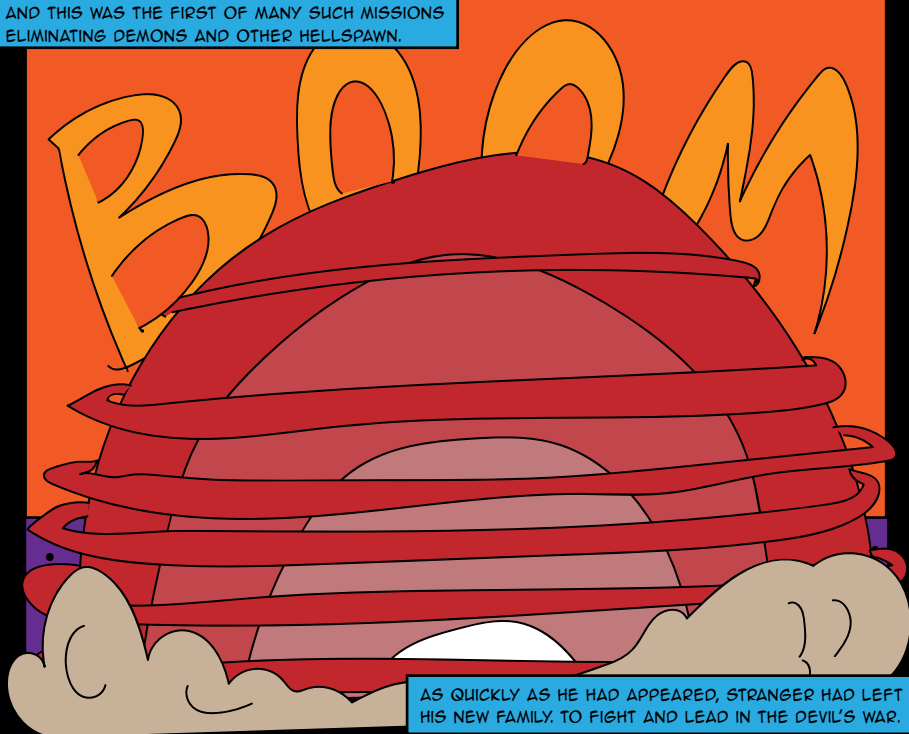
SUCH CONDENSED EVIL HAD TAKEN OVER THE PLANET. IT WAS UP TO STRANGER TO STOP IT.



STRANGER DROVE THE MAN WITH PURPLE EYES  
AND HIS DEMONIC FORCES FROM EARTH.

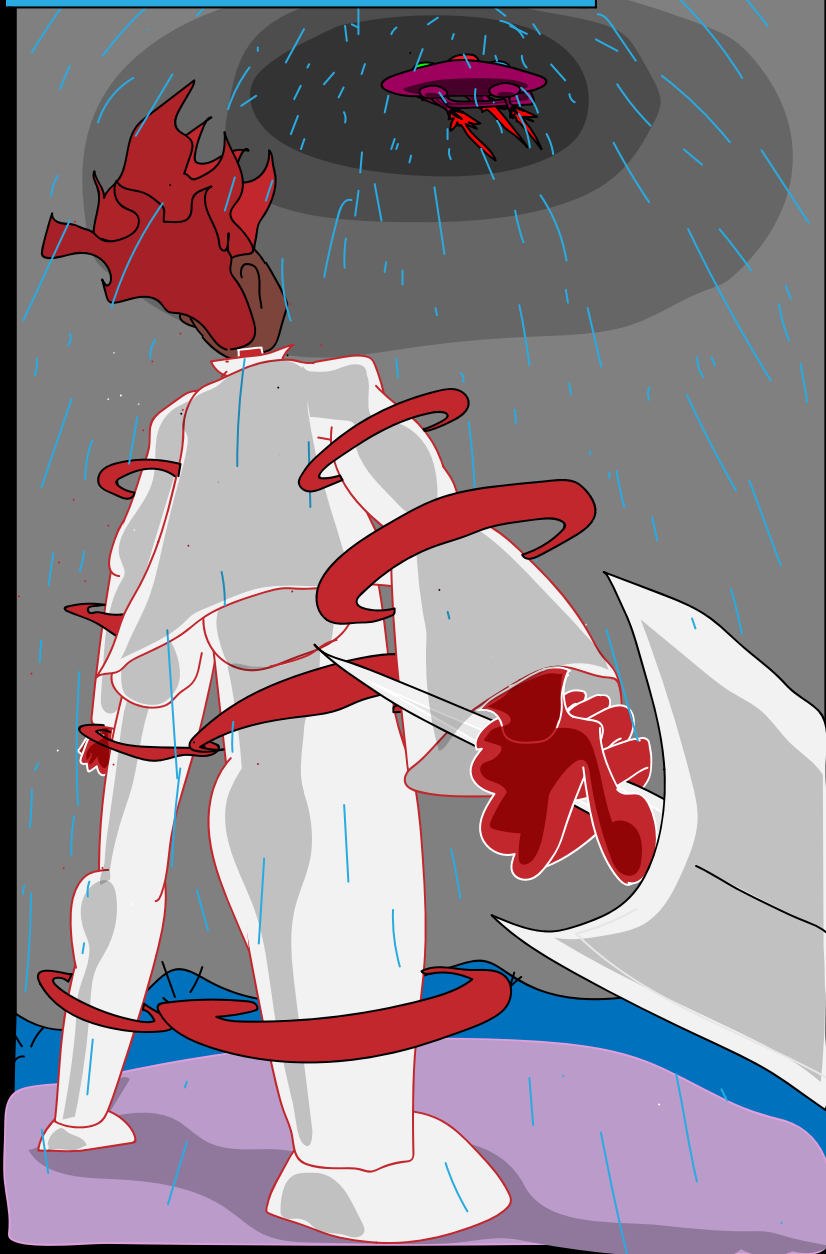


AND THIS WAS THE FIRST OF MANY SUCH MISSIONS  
ELIMINATING DEMONS AND OTHER HELLSPAWN.



AS QUICKLY AS HE HAD APPEARED, STRANGER HAD LEFT  
HIS NEW FAMILY. TO FIGHT AND LEAD IN THE DEVIL'S WAR.

THERE WAS THE TIME HE SPENT ON VUSON. IT WAS JUST SUPPOSED TO BE A TRAINING MISSION. UNFORTUNATELY, SOME DEMONIC PILOTS HIDING OUT ON THE MOON FOUND HIM.



WHO'S OUT THERE! I CAN FEEL  
YOUR EYES ON ME!

SHOW YOURSELF!



HE-HEY! MY NAME IS TIBBEAUX AND I...





AND I THINK IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU DIDN'T  
KILL ME CUZ MAYBE THEN WE COULD BE FRIENDS  
AND I COULD BE ALIVE!"

HALT.

THINK OF THE UNENDING GUILT YOU'D  
ENDURE BY KILLING A CREATURE AS  
CUTE AS ME!

"AND I THINK IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU  
DIDN'T KILL ME CUZ MAYBE THEN WE  
COULD BE FRIENDS AND I COULD BE  
ALIVE!"

MY SCANNERS ARE TELLING ME YOU AREN'T A  
DEMON. I HAVE NO REASON TO KILL YOU. BESIDES,  
YOU'RE THE MOST INTERESTING THING I'VE SEEN  
WHILE I'VE BEEN HERE.



WHEW, AND LET ME JUST SAY HOW GRATEFUL I AM  
THAT YOU HAVE SUCH ADVANCED AND ACCURATE  
EQUIPMENT. THAT VISOR IS DOING ITS JOB.

MY VISOR? DO YOU KNOW  
A LOT ABOUT STARBORN?

OH BOY, DO I? I HAPPEN TO  
BE ONE OF THE FOREMOST  
STARBORN RESEARCHERS  
AND OBSERVERS IN  
CREATION!

SAY, YOU LOOK PRETTY  
LONELY. I'M PRETTY LONELY.  
WE SHOULD BE FRIENDS!

I'VE BEEN ALIVE FOR HUNDREDS  
OF THOUSANDS OF YEARS. THEN  
POOF! YOU ALL JUST APPEAR  
ONE DAY. I, FOR ONE, WAS  
IMMEDIATELY INTERESTED!

FRIENDS? YOU WANT TO BE  
FRIENDS WITH ME?

SURE, TIBBEAUX. WE CAN  
BE FRIENDS.

I'LL TRY TO SHORTEN IT.  
UH, TIBBO?

NICE! COME ON, CALL ME  
TIBBO, FOR SHORT!

YEAH, MAN! THIS IS  
GONNA BE GREAT!

THE PILOTS FOUND THEM. STRANGER DEFEATED THEM, BUT THAT WOULD COME AT A COST.



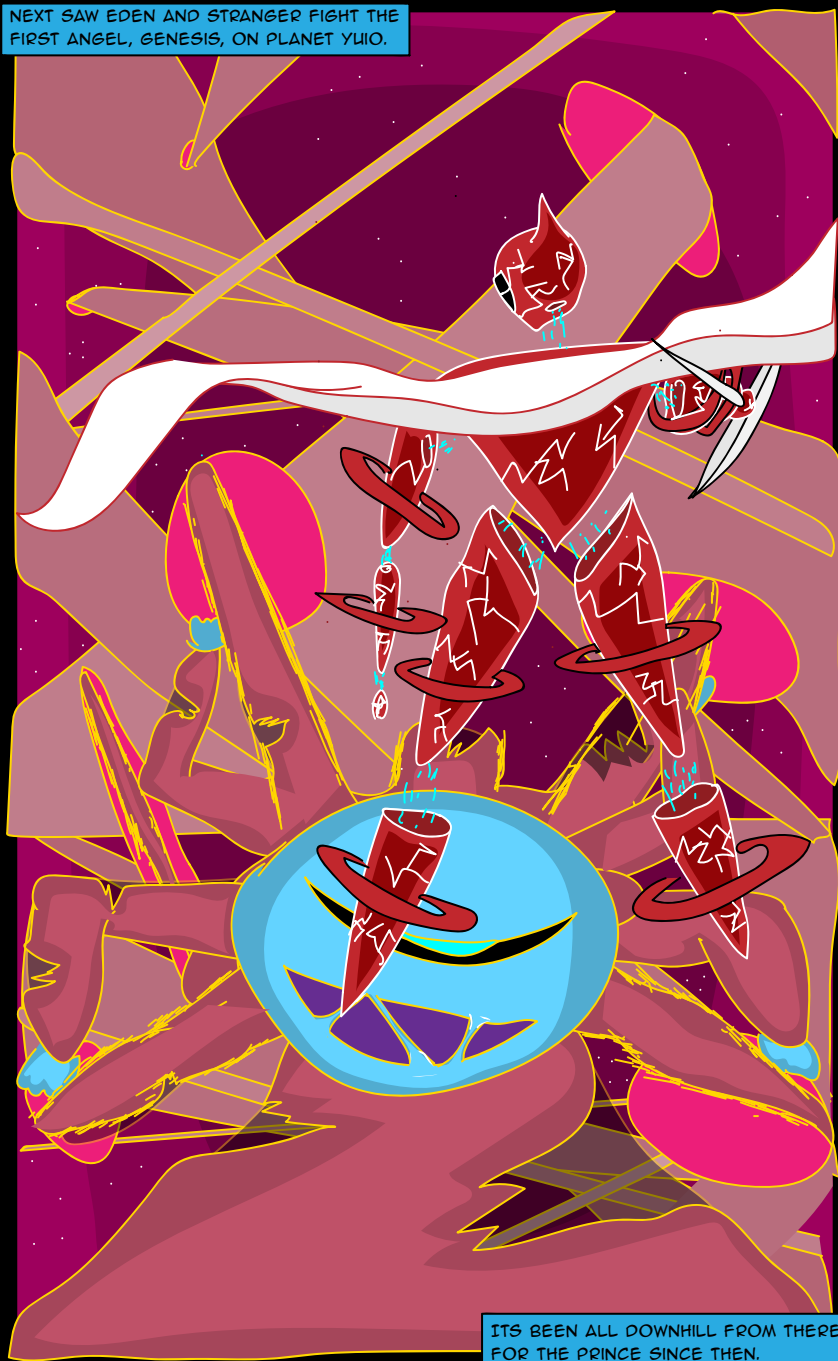
FOR ALL HIS STRENGTH, MENTAL AND PHYSICAL, IN THE QUIETEST TIMES OF THE DAY, I MAY HEAR STRANGER SAY...

"I REALLY WISH I HAD  
MANAGED TO SAVE TIBBO."



AND AS SOMEONE WHO KNEW TIBBO  
PERSONALLY, I MUST AGREE.

NEXT SAW EDEN AND STRANGER FIGHT THE  
FIRST ANGEL, GENESIS, ON PLANET YUIO.



ITS BEEN ALL DOWNHILL FROM THERE  
FOR THE PRINCE SINCE THEN.



OVERCONFIDENT IN HIS ABILITIES, GENESIS SUFFERED A DEFEAT AT THE HANDS OF GENERAL QUEEN AND PRINCE STRANGER.



SKREE-FWOOSH

THOUGH GENESIS' PRESENCE WAS NOT PARTICULARLY MISSED, IT DIDN'T GO UNNOTICED.

NO, THE DEVIL HIMSELF WOULD  
NOT ALLOW THIS OUTCOME.



NOT WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE.

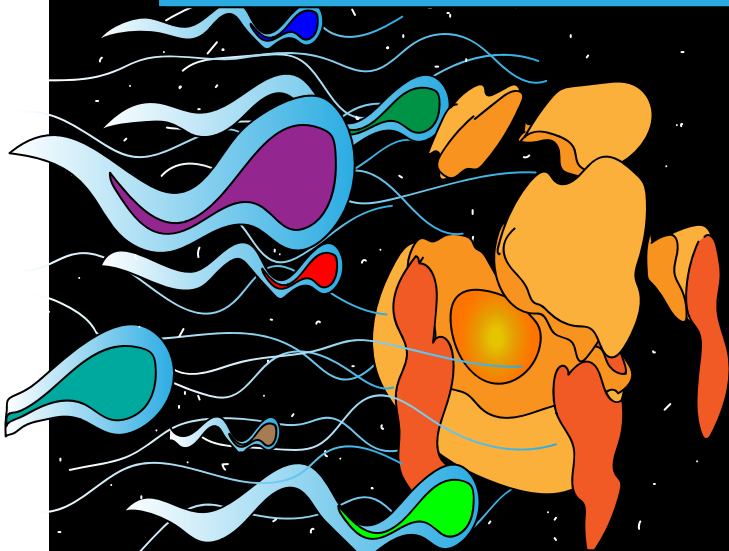
THEY DEFEATED GENESIS AND HIS FORCES ON YUIO. STRANGER GOT TO MEET THE MORTALS HE SAVED.



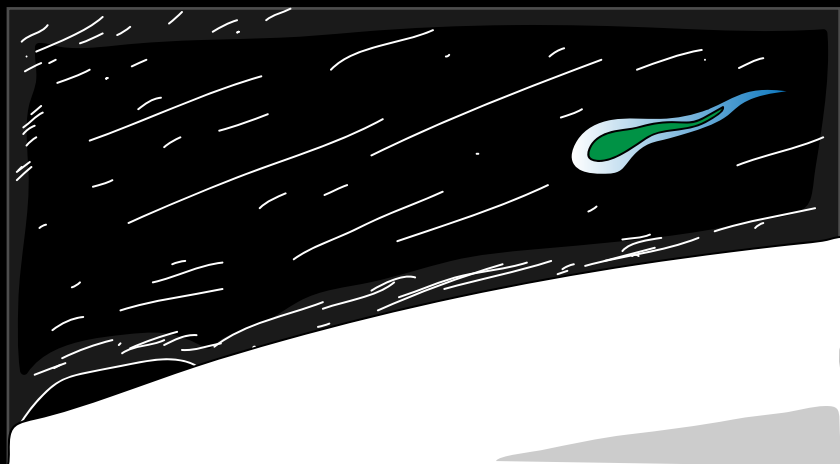
HE EVEN GAVE AN INTERVIEW. STRANGER LOVED INTERACTING WITH MORTALS. MOST STARBORN DO. THEY'RE MEANT TO PROTECT THEM.



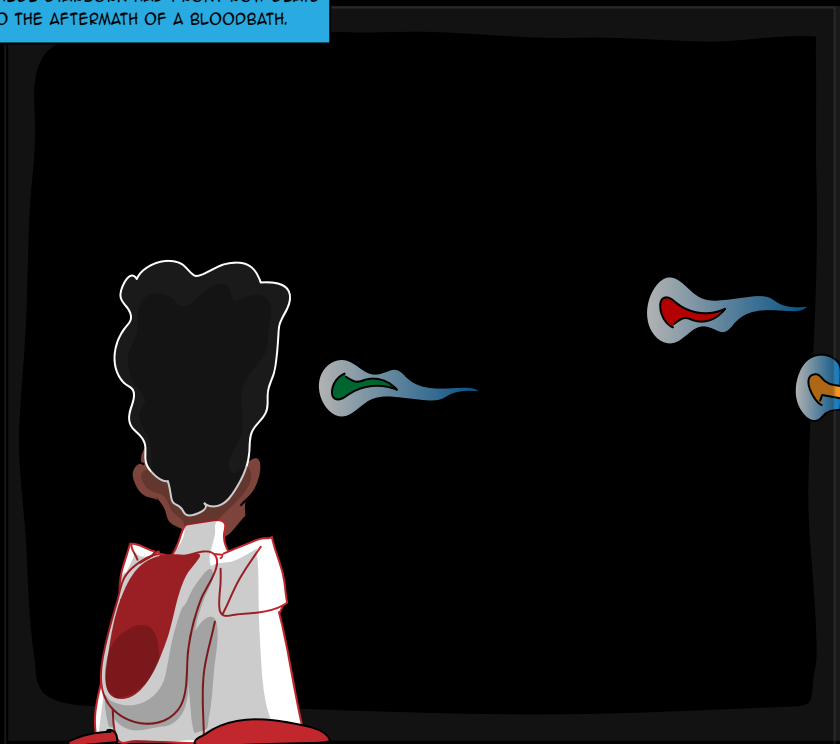
SO YOU CAN IMAGINE THE STARBORNS' PAIN WHEN THEY FOUND OUT THE DEVILS HAD DESTROYED THE PLANET THEY'D JUST SAVED DAYS PRIOR.



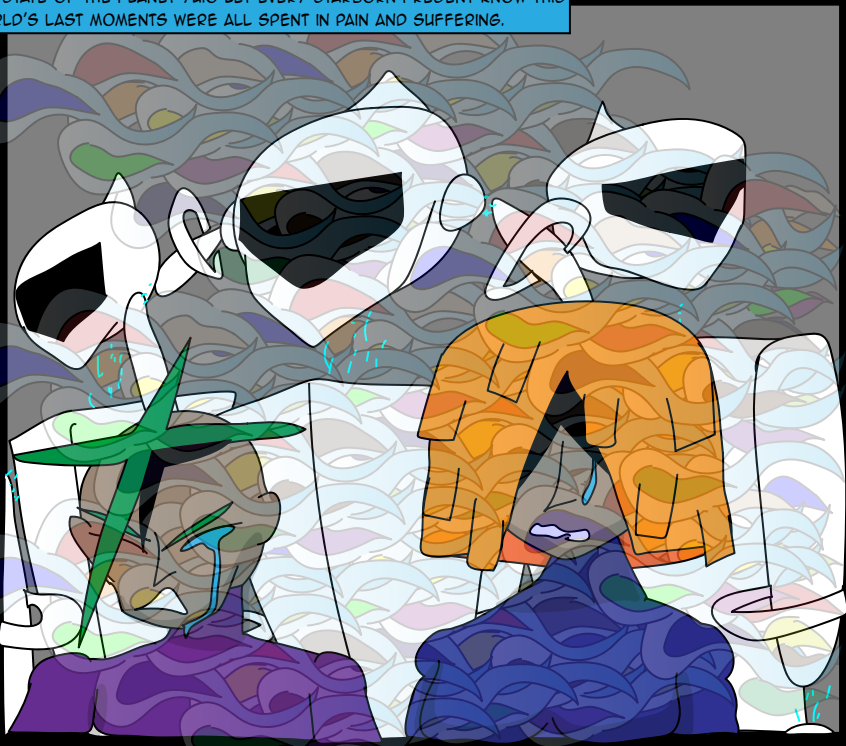
THE DEVILS DIDN'T EVEN WANT THE SOULS. THEY JUST WANTED TO SEND HIM A MESSAGE.



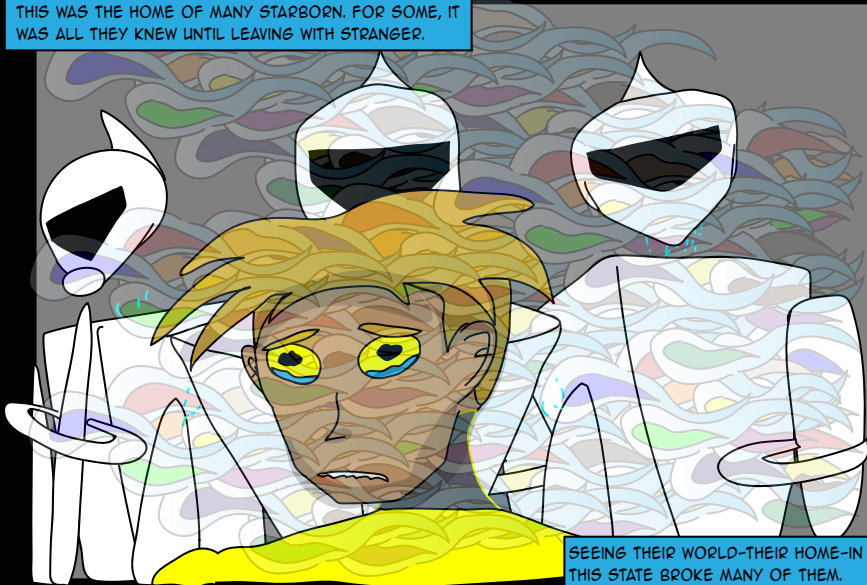
THESE STARBORN HAD FRONT ROW SEATS  
TO THE AFTERMATH OF A BLOODBATH.



THE STATE OF THE PLANET YUIO LET EVERY STARBORN PRESENT KNOW THIS WORLD'S LAST MOMENTS WERE ALL SPENT IN PAIN AND SUFFERING.



THIS WAS THE HOME OF MANY STARBORN. FOR SOME, IT WAS ALL THEY KNEW UNTIL LEAVING WITH STRANGER.



SEEING THEIR WORLD-THEIR HOME-IN THIS STATE BROKE MANY OF THEM.

STRANGER, ALIVE FOR TWO YEARS AT THIS POINT, HAD NEVER WITNESSED SUCH UNBRIDLED CRUELTY.



"NO MORE," HE SAID IN A WHISPER.



"NO MORE!" HIS VOICE BOOMED.

THE WARPATH STRANGER HAS BEEN ON FOLLOWING THE DESTRUCTION OF YUIO HAS BEEN BRUTAL. ANY DEMON CONVOY OR DEVIL IN THE STARBORN'S WAY HAS BEEN KILLED. THE DEVIL FEDUCIA WAS THEIR MOST RECENT.



SURPASSING HIS KNOWN LIMITS TO MAKE IT HAPPEN.



GIVEN WHAT HIDES IN STRANGER'S CHEST, LIMIT BREAKING ISN'T TOO SURPRISING.

MY RAGE DRIVE SPIN IS  
AT NORMAL LEVELS.

I NEED TO MONITOR HOW I USE ITS  
POWER. I'M STILL NOT SURE OF ITS  
EFFECTS ON ME.

I CAN'T SAY I COMPLETELY TRUST THE  
TECHNOLOGY. I FEEL IT CHANGE ME. I'M  
ANGRIER THAN I ONCE WAS. INFECTED BY  
A RAGE THAT I INHERITED.

BUT MAYBE I'M NO DIFFERENT THAN ANYONE ELSE  
BROUGHT UP IN A UNIVERSE AT WAR.

INCOMING CONTACT: EVE

STRANGER? CAN YOU  
HEAR ME?

EVE! LOUD AND CLEAR. WHAT'S UP?  
HOW'S IT GOING?

BOOM!

OH IT'S...GOING. YOU  
WOULDN'T HAPPEN TO BE  
FREE TODAY WOULD YOU?

I'M ACTUALLY IN THE MIDDLE OF BEING  
AMBUSHED, BELIEVE IT OR NOT. BUT FOR YOU  
GUYS, I'M ALWAYS FREE. WHAT DO YOU NEED?

NO! WE DON'T NEED  
ANYTHING!

RUBY, STOP! WE  
NEED HIS HELP!

HE'S BUSY! WE HAVE GOT THIS  
UNDER CONTROL, STRANGER! WE'LL  
BE DEALING WITH THIS ONE  
IN-HOUSE.

ARE YOU SURE? I CAN  
SWING BY RIGHT AFTER  
THIS.

IN-HOUSE, STRANGER! IN-HOUSE! BUT  
WE WOULD, OF COURSE LOVE TO SEE  
YOU AFTER WE HANDLE THIS  
OURSELVES.

RUBY, OH MY GOD  
WE'RE GONNA DIE

BYEEEEEE STRANGER, SEE  
YOU SOON

CONTACT ENDED.

HAHA, THOSE TWO KNOW HOW TO HAVE FUN.  
IT'LL BE GOOD TO SEE THEM.

PREDICTIVE ENGINE ACTIVATING!

THESE DEMONS ARE FAST, BUT MY PREDICTIVE ENGINE WAS QUICK ENOUGH TO ACTIVATE.



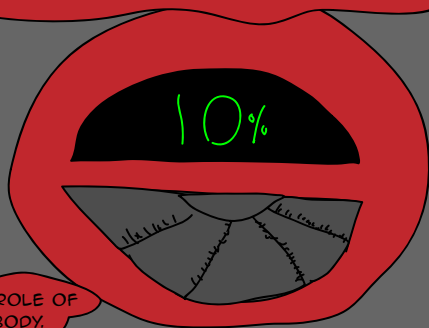
THE BLUE STREAKS OF HYPERLIGHT POURING FROM MY BODY ARE FEEDING ME ALL THE INFORMATION I NEED. THIS HYPERLIGHT "PAINTS" THE AREA AROUND ME AND HIGHLIGHTS ANY DISTURBANCES THAT NEED TO BE REACTED TO.

I, ALONE, CAN THEN ENTER MY PSYCHE. A KIND OF MIND PALACE WHERE TIME MOVES SLOWLY. I CAN USE THIS EXTRA TIME TO DODGE STRIKES THAT MAY HAVE HIT ME.



AND COUNTER IN SITUATIONS WHERE I SHOULD HAVE BEEN DEFENSIVE.

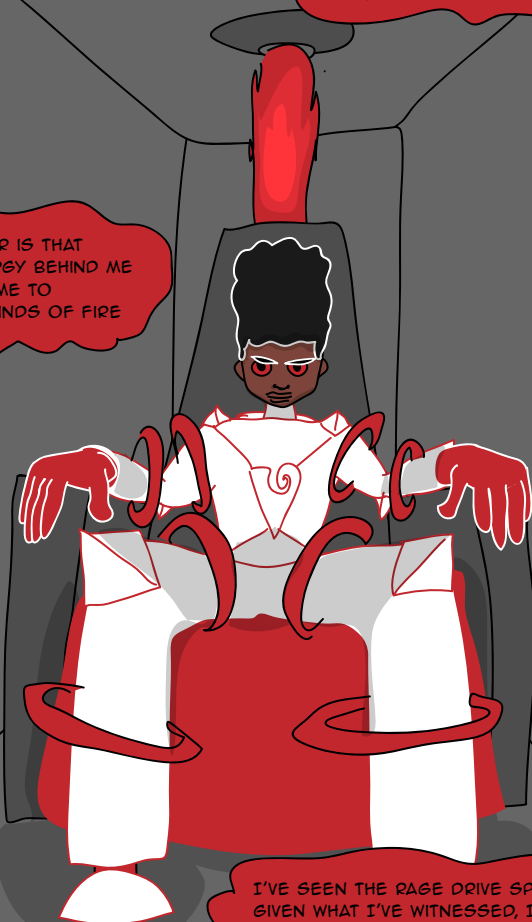
ALSO WITHIN THE PSYCHE I CONTROL THE RAGE DRIVE. A CONNECTION TO THE TRINITY'S OLD RAGE, SEALED AWAY FROM ITS TWELFTH DIMENSIONAL FORM.



IT'S REPLACED THE ROLE OF A STAR CORE IN MY BODY.

IT CAN PRODUCE HYPERLIGHT, THE ENERGY THAT MAKES UP A STARBORN'S ENTIRE BEING, OUR LIFE FORCE. IT ALSO SENDS ENERGY THROUGHOUT THE BODY AND POWERS THE HEAT MISER.

THE HEAT MISER IS THAT BEAM OF ENERGY BEHIND ME THAT ALLOWS ME TO ABSORB ALL KINDS OF FIRE FOR FUEL.



I'VE SEEN THE RAGE DRIVE SPIN FROM 0 TO 100. GIVEN WHAT I'VE WITNESSED, I LIKE TO KEEP THE SPIN PERCENTAGE LOW...

I'VE GOT A FRONT ROW SEAT TO HOW DANGEROUS A SITUATION CAN BECOME IF MY RAGE DRIVE SPINS TOO HIGH.

IF THE HEAT MISER CAN'T KEEP UP, I COULD ENTER OVERBURN. I'LL START BURNING ANYTHING I CAN TO KEEP FUELING MY BODY.

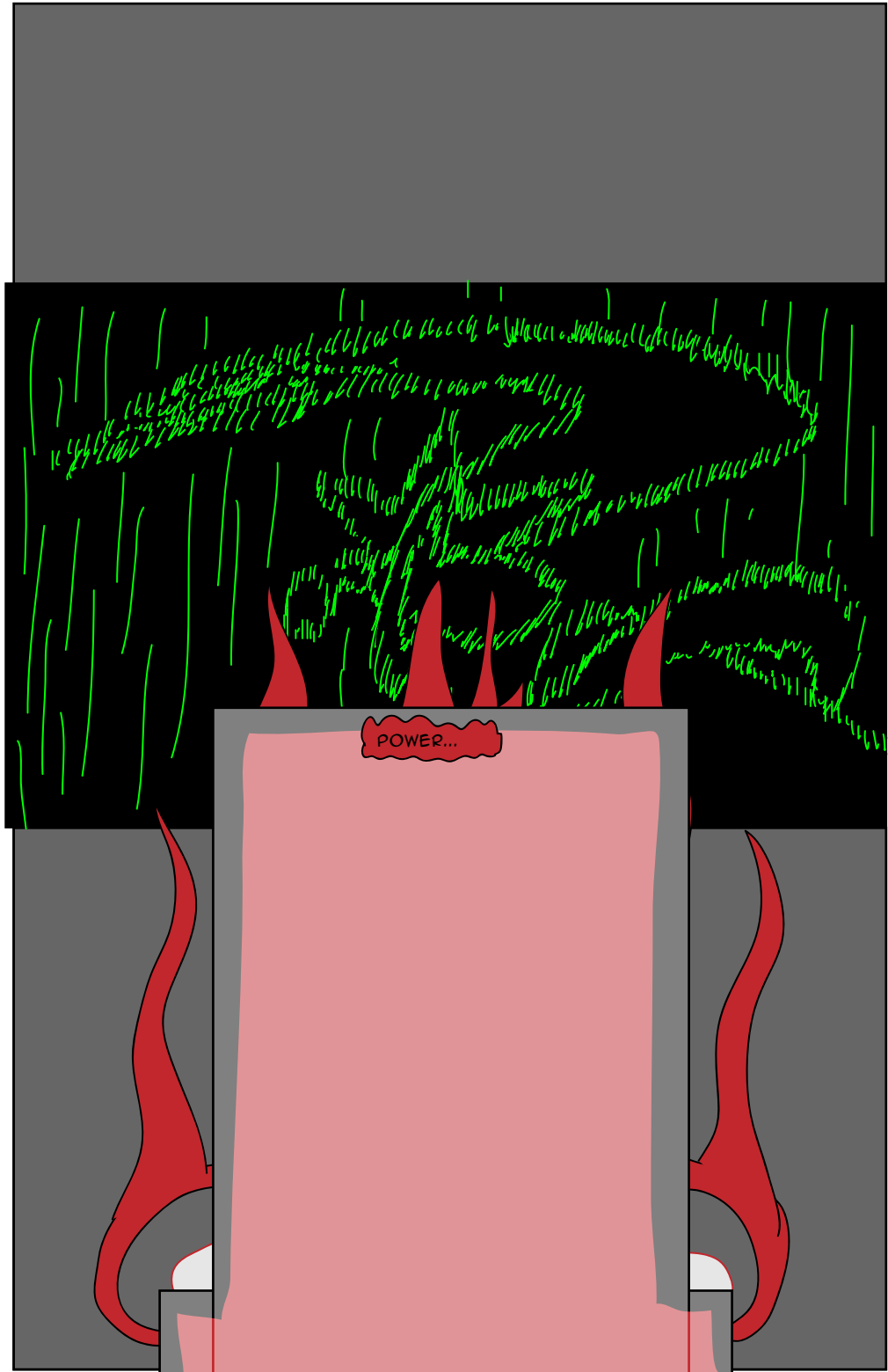
INTERNAL ORGANS, MUSCLES, EVEN BONE WILL BE BURNED TO KEEP MY FIRE GOING.

THE RAGE DRIVE WILL FEED ON ANYTHING IT CAN TO KEEP THE HYPERLIGHT FLOWING.

45%

40 PERCENT SHOULD BE GOOD ENOUGH.

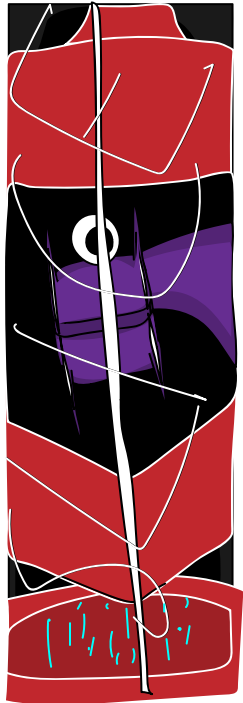
BUT, IF I KEEP MY ENERGY RESERVES AT ADEQUATE LEVELS, RAISING MY SPIN CAN PROVIDE A MASSIVE POWER BOOST.



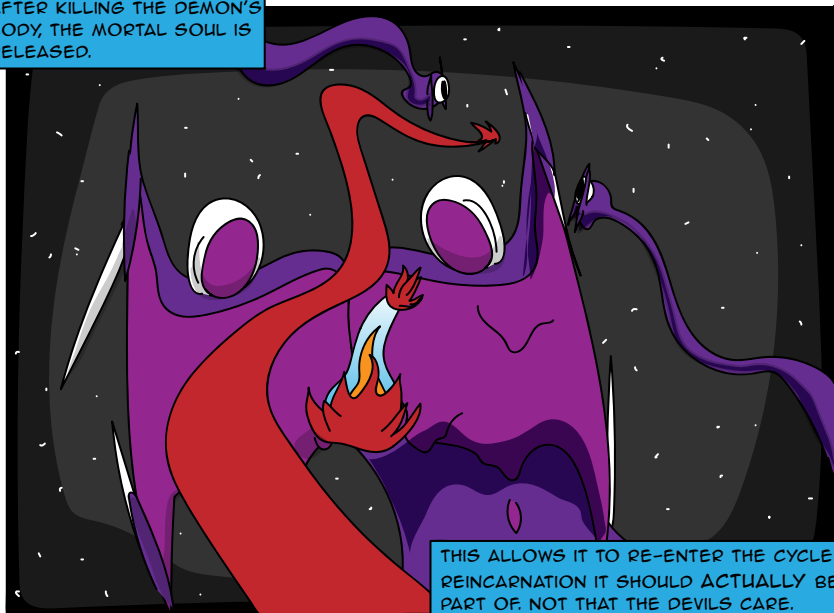
A BOOST LIKE THAT CAN'T BE OVERLOOKED IN CREATION.



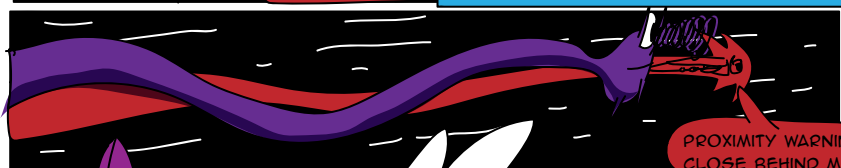
I'LL NEED EVERY ADVANTAGE I CAN GET.



AFTER KILLING THE DEMON'S BODY, THE MORTAL SOUL IS RELEASED.



THIS ALLOWS IT TO RE-ENTER THE CYCLE OF REINCARNATION IT SHOULD ACTUALLY BE A PART OF. NOT THAT THE DEVILS CARE.



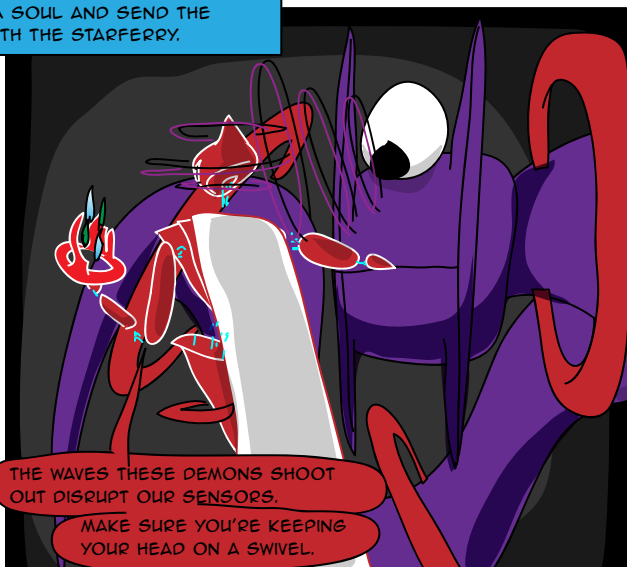
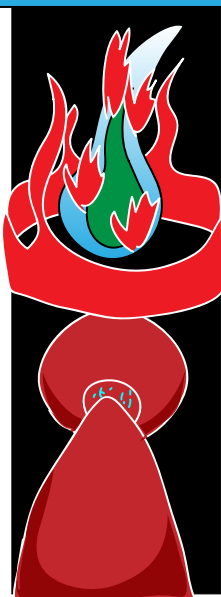
PROXIMITY WARNING.  
CLOSE BEHIND ME.



SOULS TRAPPED IN A DEMON CAN BEGIN TO ROT AND DECAY. THE EXPERIENCE MAY EVEN IMPACT A SOUL'S NEXT LIFE.



TO SKIP SOME OF THAT WANDERING, STRANGER ALONE HAS THE ABILITY TO BURN A SOUL AND SEND THE SOUL FOR AN AUDIENCE WITH THE STARFERRY.



THE WAVES THESE DEMONS SHOOT OUT DISRUPT OUR SENSORS.

MAKE SURE YOU'RE KEEPING YOUR HEAD ON A SWIVEL.

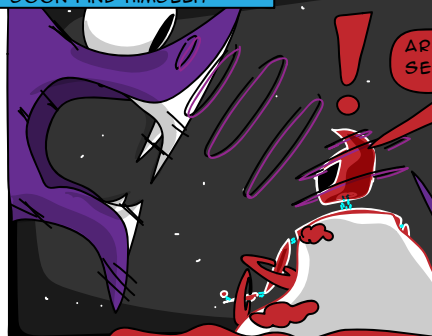
THE STARFERRY IS THE ONE WHO TESTS THE SOUL'S READINESS TO SEE IF THEY ARE PREPARED TO BECOME A STARBORN IN THE NEXT LIFE.



THERE. SOUL SENT. NOW I CAN-

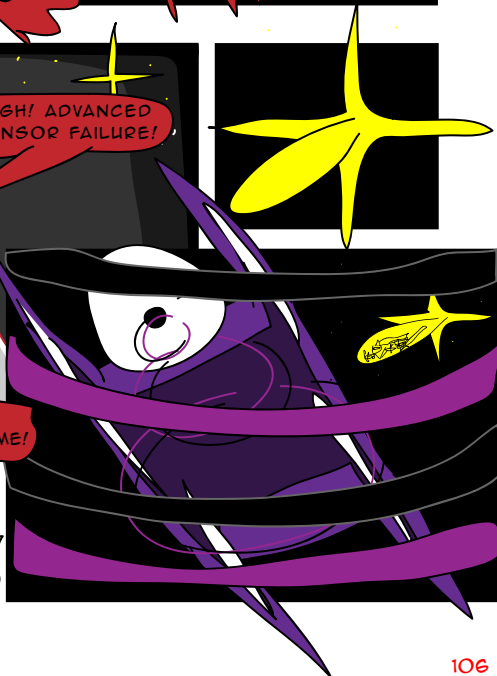


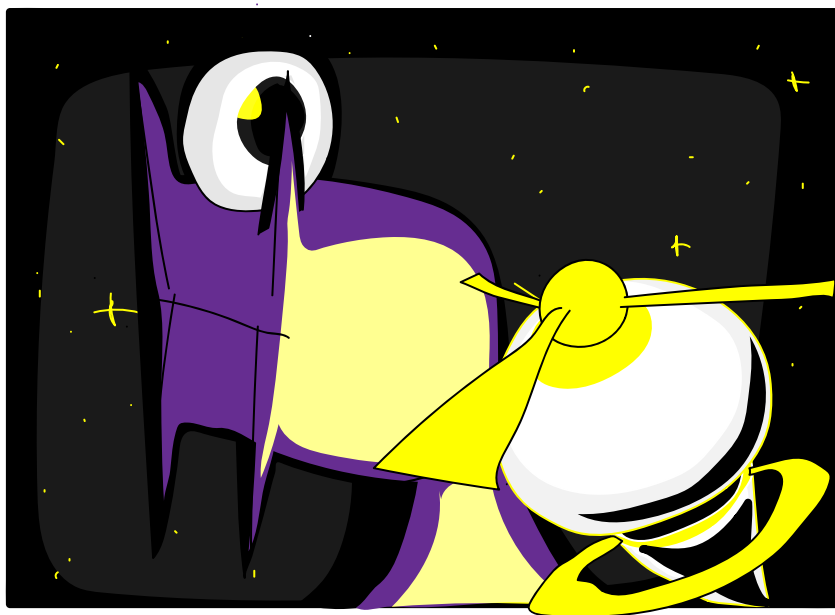
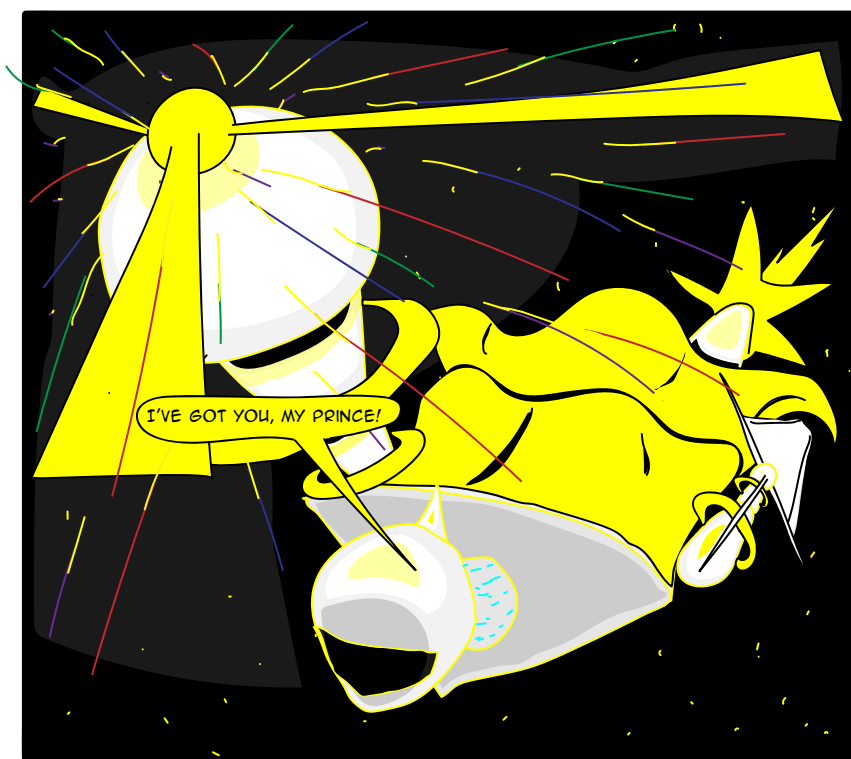
SOMEWHERE PRINCE STRANGER MAY SOON FIND HIMSELF.



ARGH! ADVANCED SENSOR FAILURE!

THIS DEMON IS DELAYING MY REACTIONS! I WON'T DODGE IN TIME!

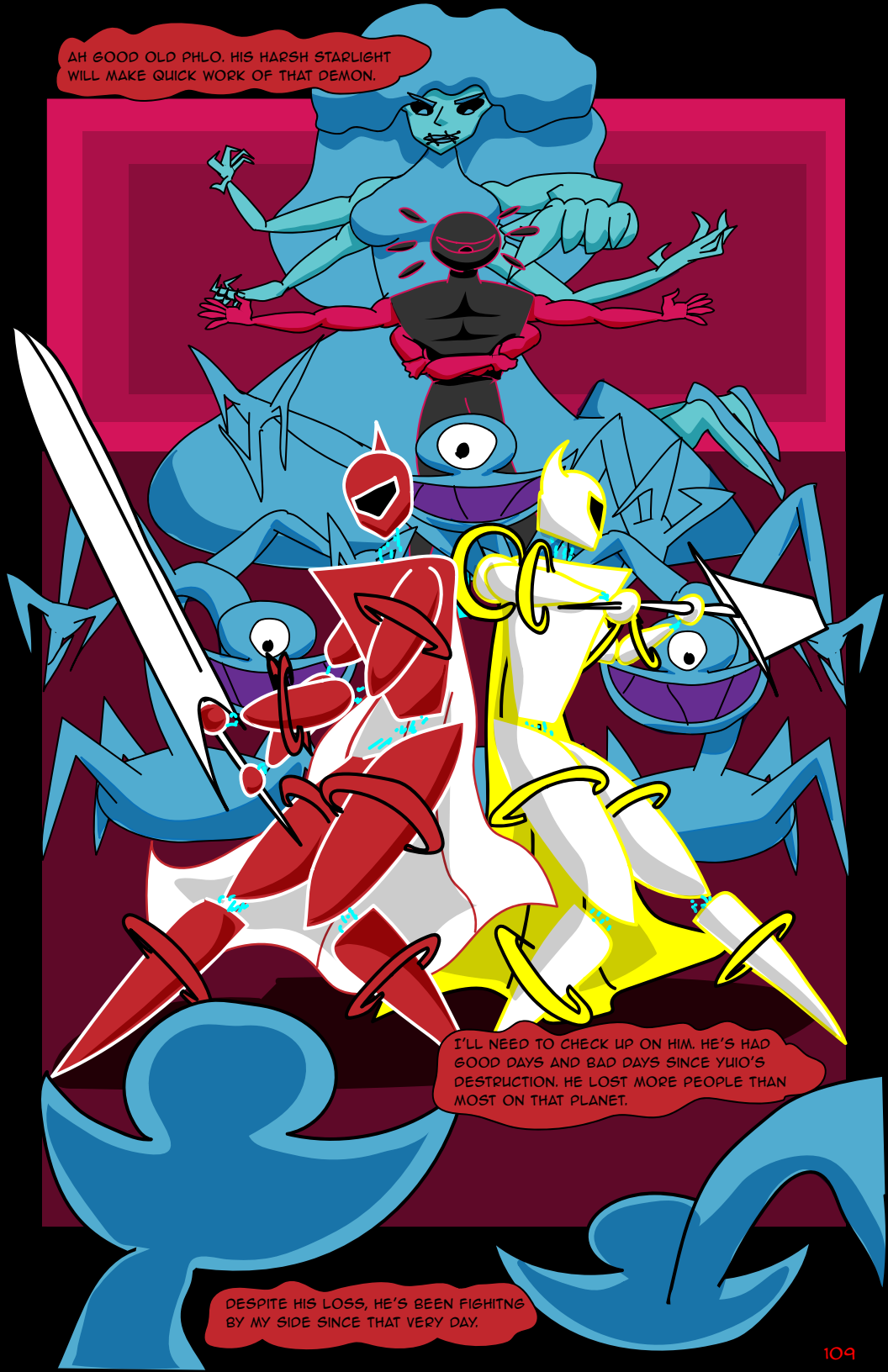




NOW OPEN WIDE, DEMON!  
DON'T BE DRAMATIC!

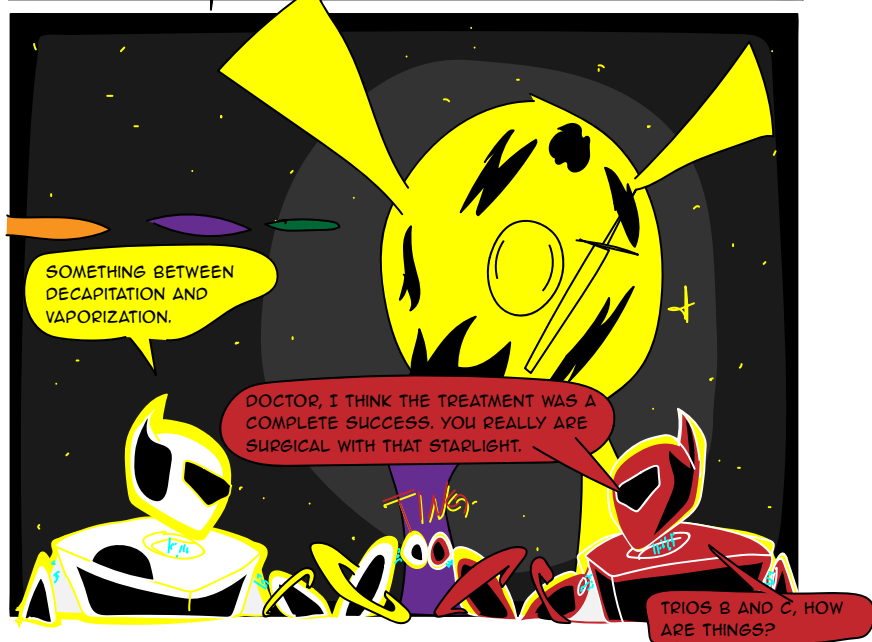
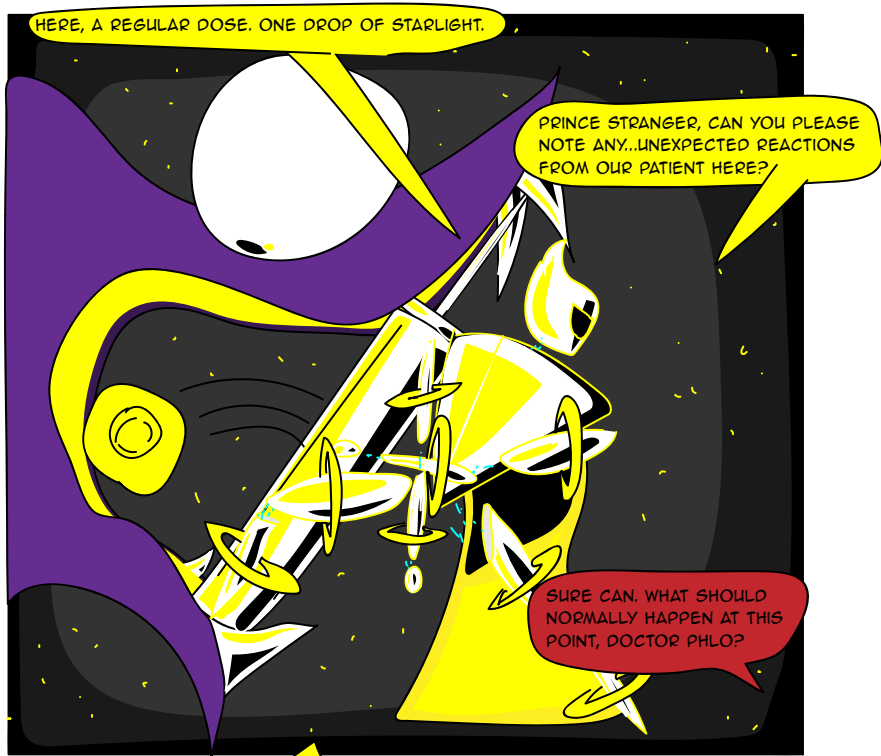


AH GOOD OLD PHLO. HIS HARSH STARLIGHT  
WILL MAKE QUICK WORK OF THAT DEMON.

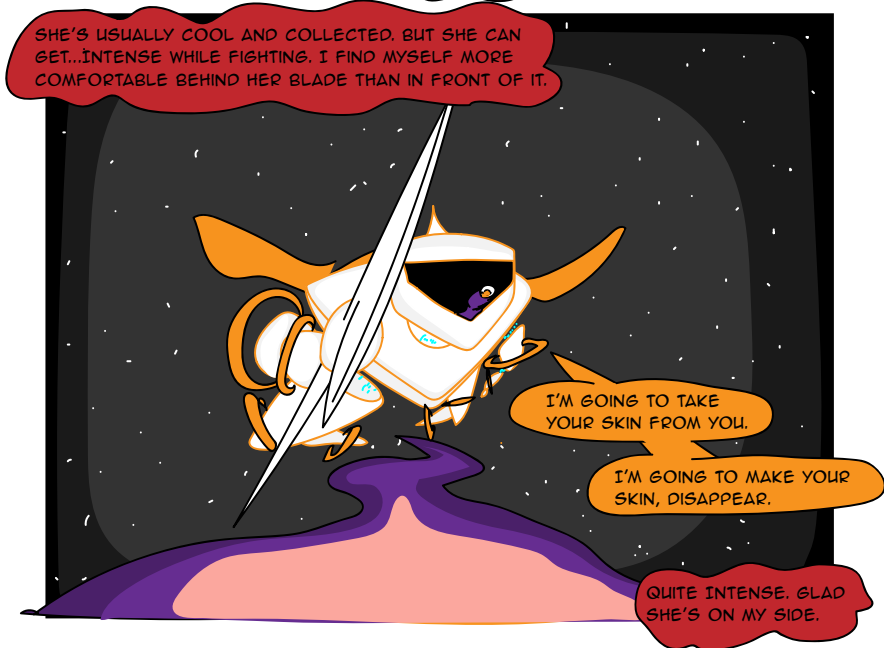


I'LL NEED TO CHECK UP ON HIM. HE'S HAD  
GOOD DAYS AND BAD DAYS SINCE YUIO'S  
DESTRUCTION. HE LOST MORE PEOPLE THAN  
MOST ON THAT PLANET.

DESPITE HIS LOSS, HE'S BEEN FIGHTING  
BY MY SIDE SINCE THAT VERY DAY.







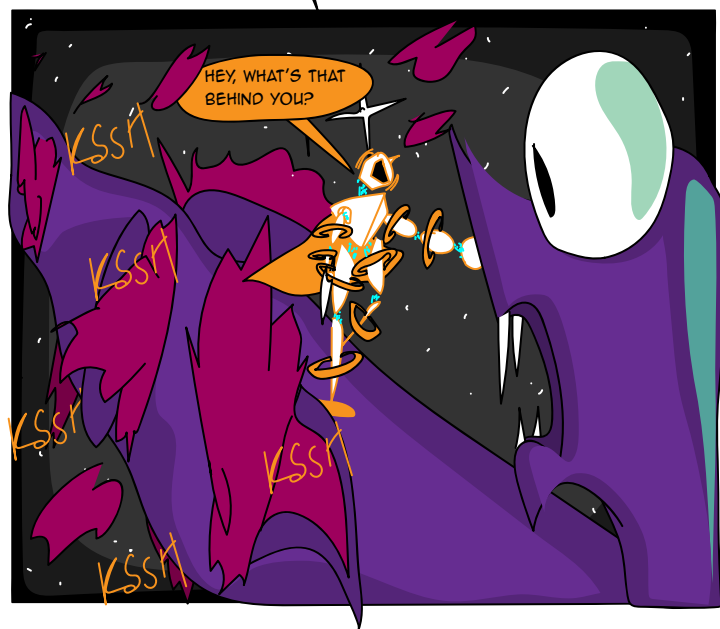
I'M REMINDED OF THE MOMENT I MET THOSE TWINS. IT WAS UNFORTUNATELY AT THE BUSINESS ENDS OF THEIR CATALYSTS.

FULUMAROO AND HIS SISTER, ZODA HAVE GOT SOME SERIOUS POTENTIAL AS ASSASSINS. IT'S EASY TO INTUIT SOMETHING LIKE THAT WITH A KNIFE AT YOUR THROAT.

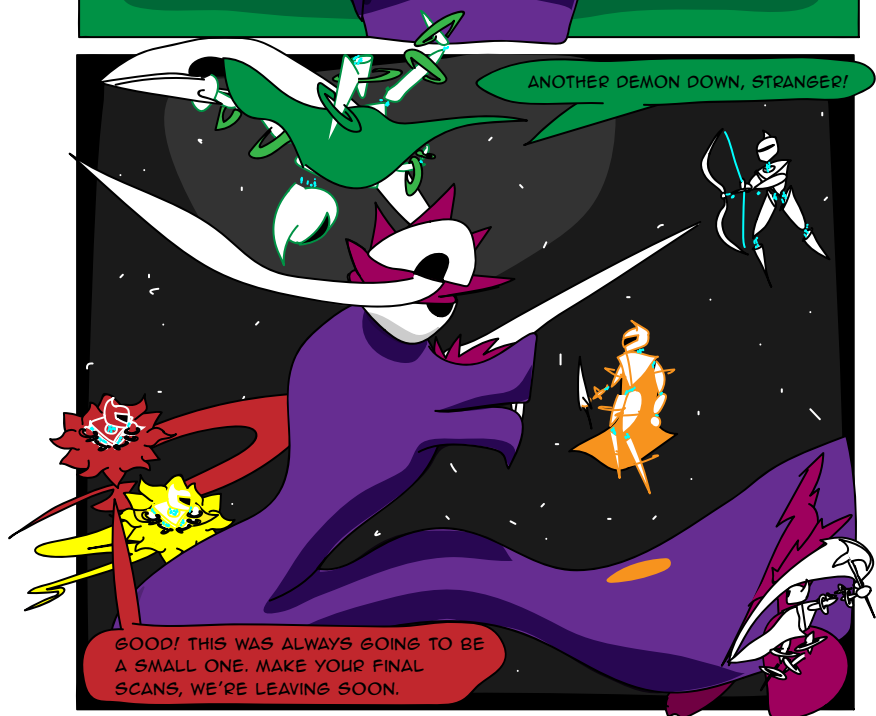
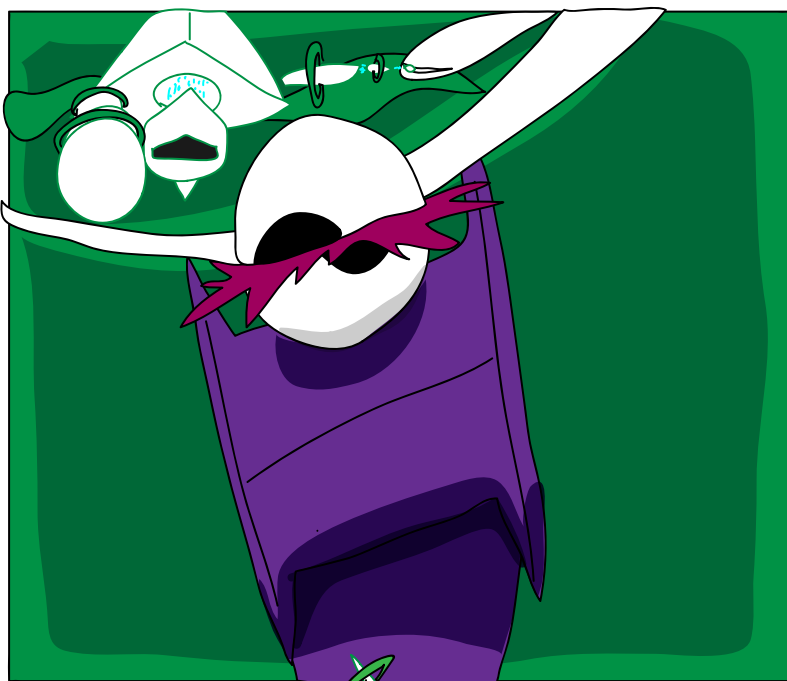
THEY'D BEEN HIDING OUT ON YUIO FOR A BIT, LIKELY AFTER A FAILED JOB. THOUGH THEY DENY THAT ASSUMPTION. THEY LOVED IT THERE, AND ONCE THE PLANET GOT DESTROYED, THEY JUST STUCK WITH ME. I'M HAPPY TO HAVE THEM HERE.



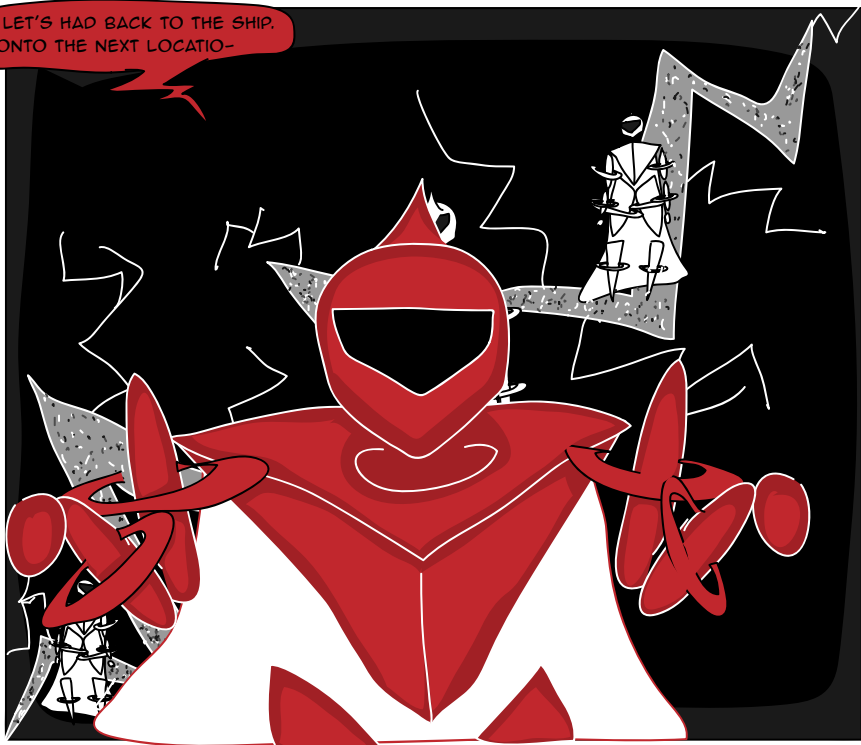
THEY'RE GOOD PEOPLE AT THEIR CORE, BUT I GET THE FEELING THAT LIFE IN CREATION HASN'T BEEN KIND TO THE TWO OF THEM.



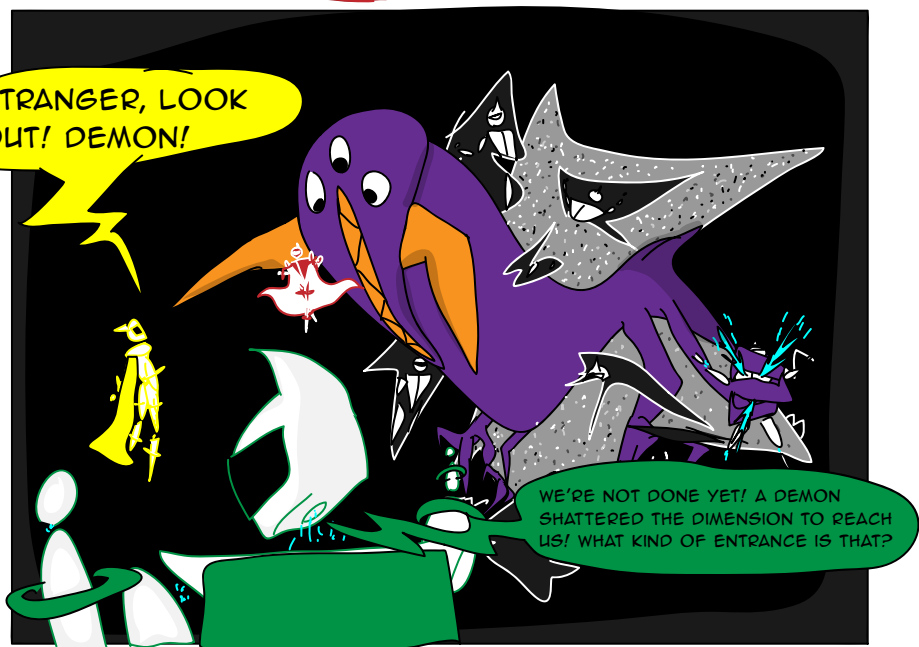




LET'S HAD BACK TO THE SHIP.  
ONTO THE NEXT LOCATIO-



STRANGER, LOOK  
OUT! DEMON!



WE'RE NOT DONE YET! A DEMON  
SHATTERED THE DIMENSION TO REACH  
US! WHAT KIND OF ENTRANCE IS THAT?

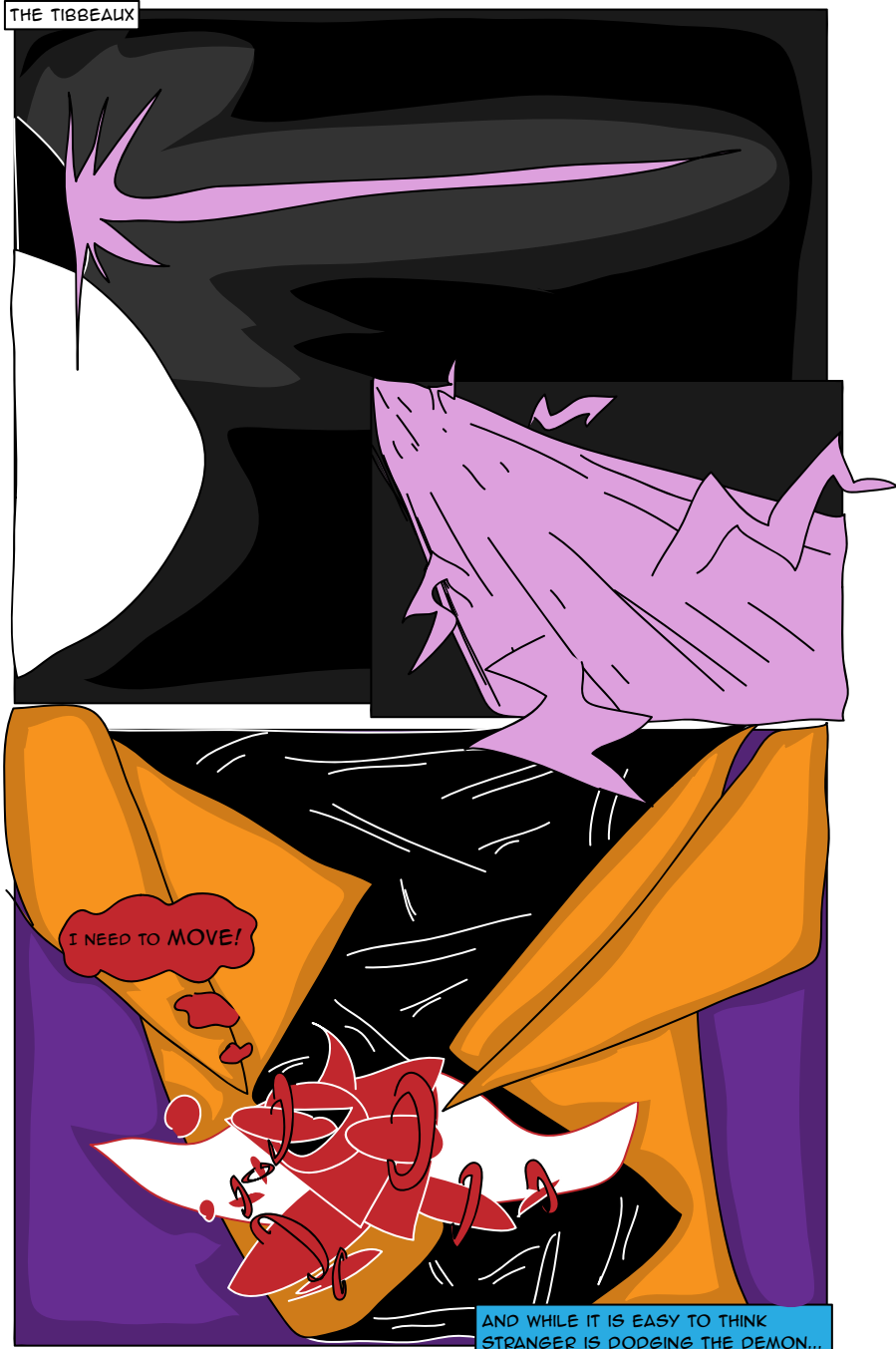
IN THIS MOMENT, STRANGER DID NOT EVEN HAVE ONE THOUSANDTH OF A SECOND TO REACT TO THIS DEMON.

THIS DEMON TRAVELED THROUGH THE FOURTH DIMENSION TO REACH ITS TARGET. IT WAS NOT COMPLEX ENOUGH TO CREATE AN ACTUAL FOURTH DIMENSIONAL ATTACK. IT WOULD HAVE TO SETTLE FOR THE ULTIMATE SNEAK ATTACK.



THOSE CAUGHT IN ITS INITIAL APPEARANCE COULD NOT CONTEND WITH THE WARPING CAUSED BY THE DEMON'S ATTACK. THEY PERISHED QUICKLY, BUT NOT INSTANTLY.

NO, THEY REJOINED THE STARS IN AGONY.





...DODGING AN ATTACK FROM CREATION'S STRONGEST  
STARBORN MAY BE EVEN MORE IMPORTANT.

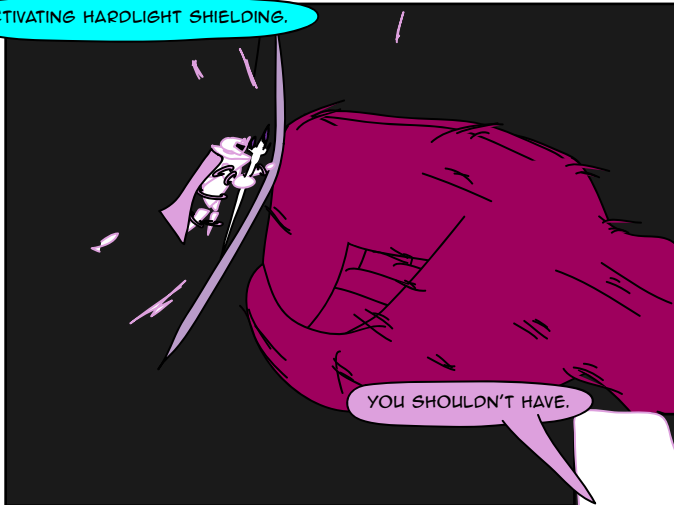


REMEMBER, PRINCE STRANGER, ALWAYS  
MAINTAIN YOUR ALERTNESS.





ACTIVATING HARDLIGHT SHIELDING.



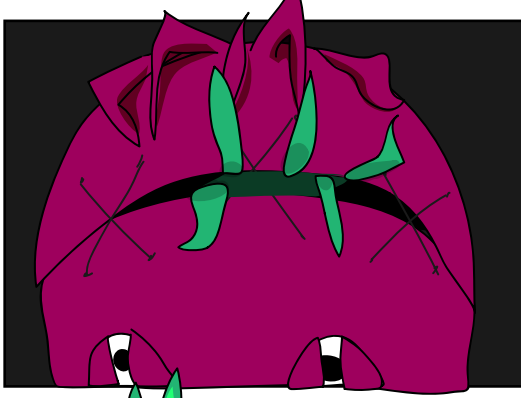


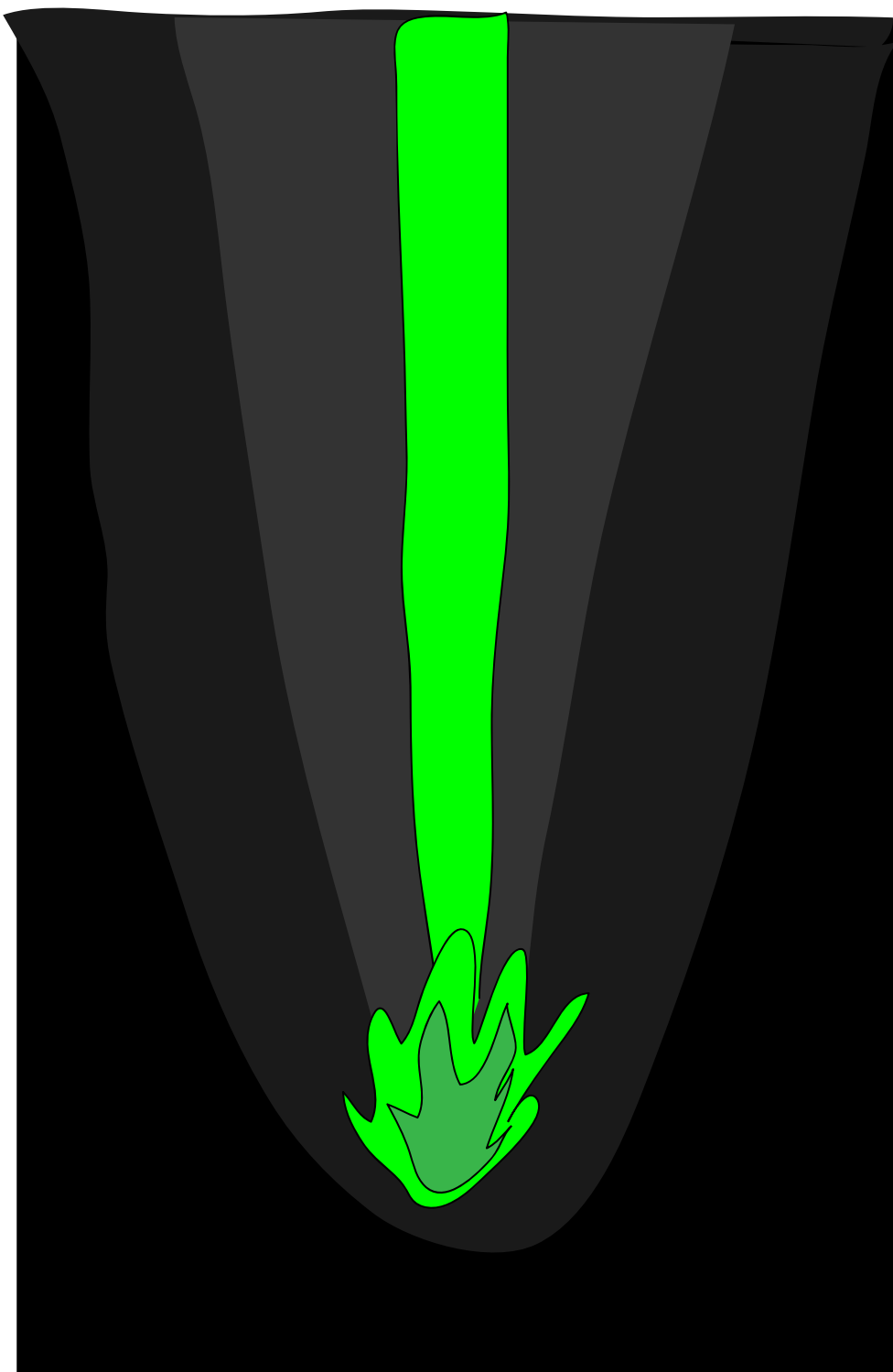
...I'D RATHER NOT DEAL WITH IT. AT ALL.

**THUNDERDOME!**

THROUGH TSARKA I BIND US!

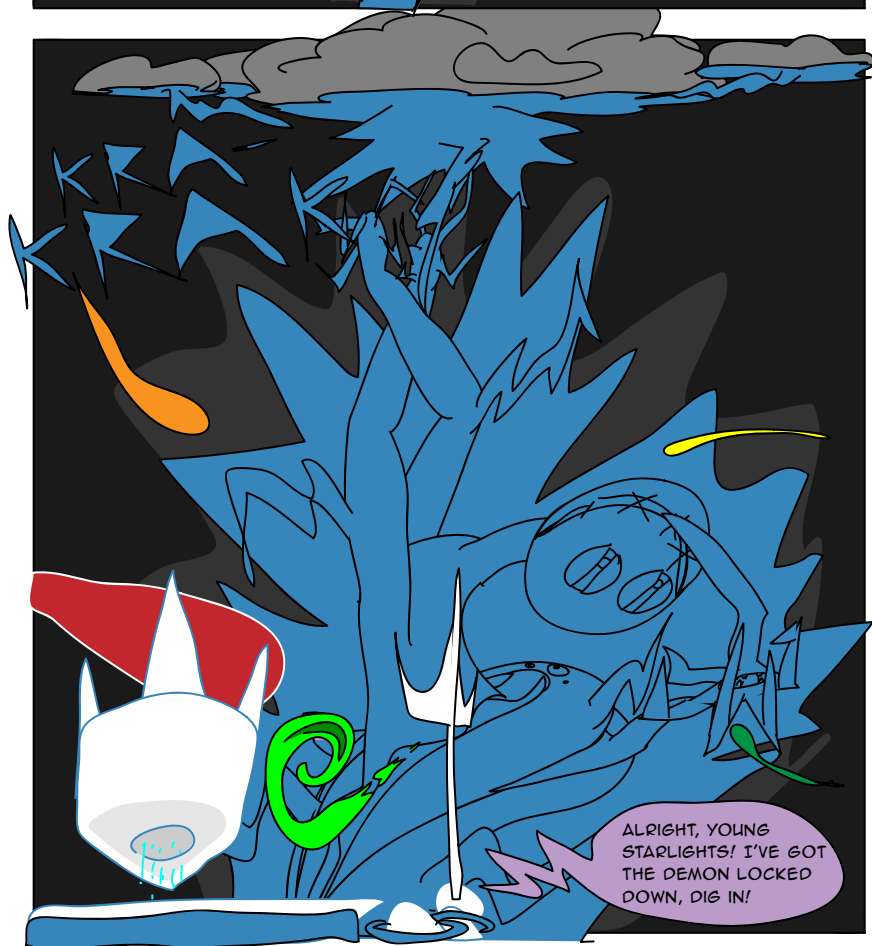
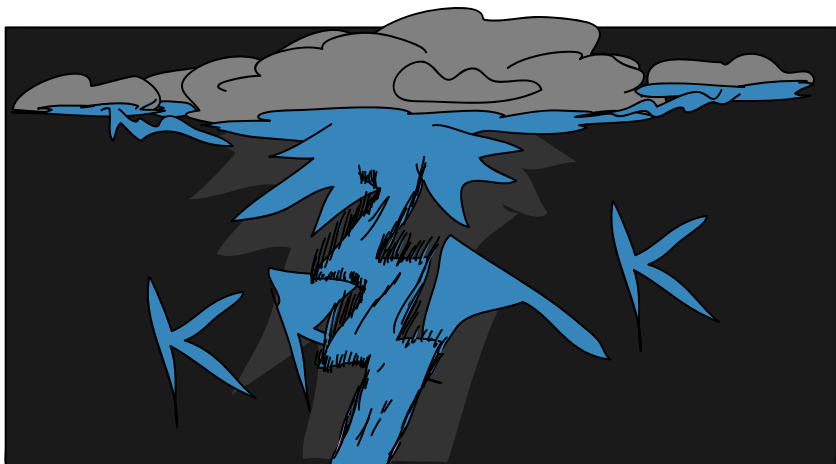




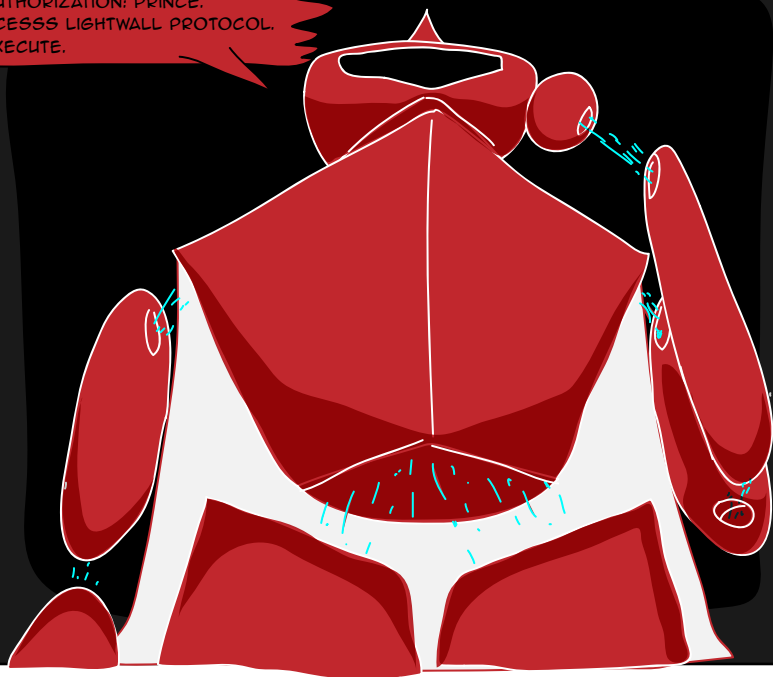




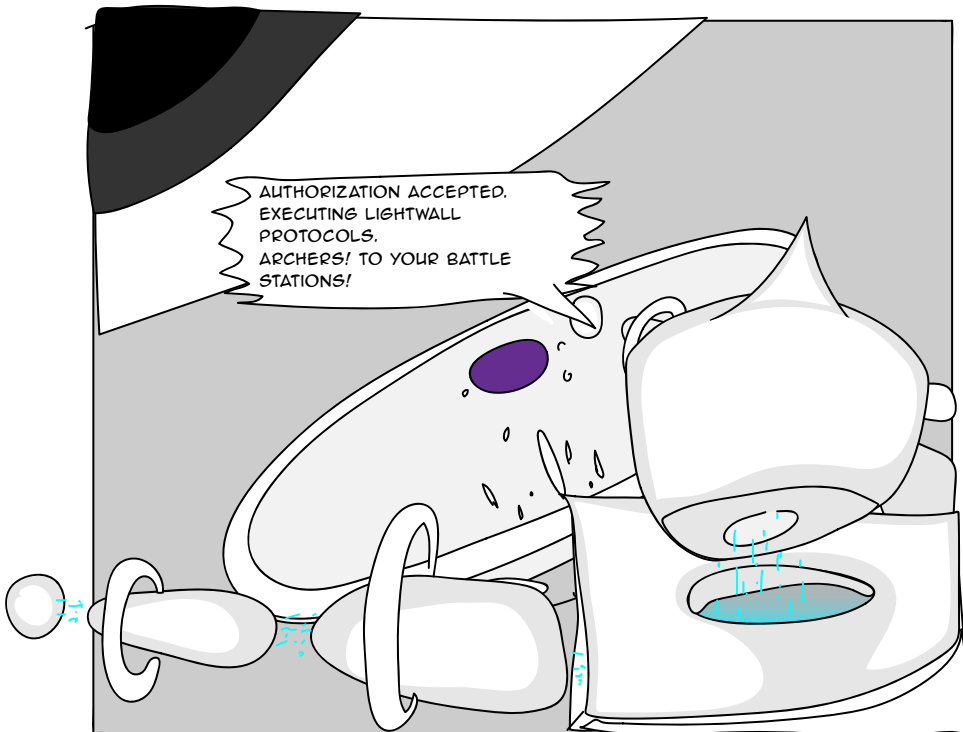




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INITIATE ELEVATED ACCESS.  
AUTHORIZATION: PRINCE.  
ACCESS LIGHTWALL PROTOCOL.  
EXECUTE.

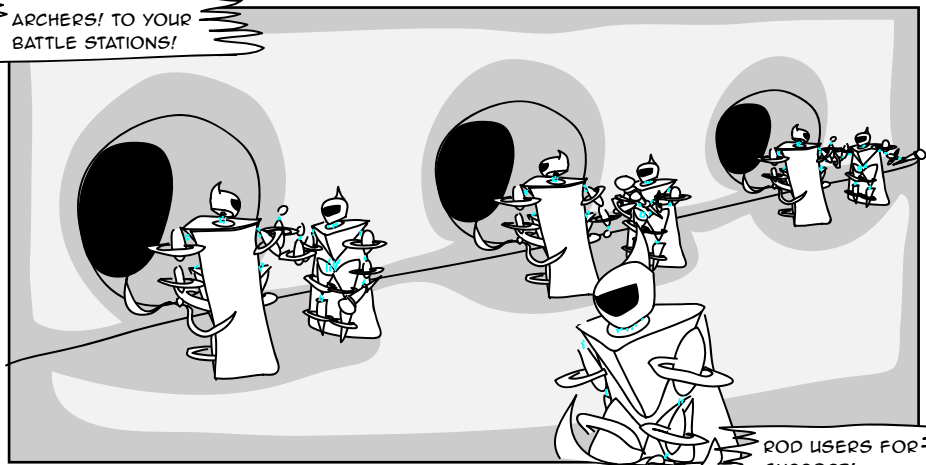


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EXECUTING LIGHTWALL  
PROTOCOLS.  
ARCHERS! TO YOUR BATTLE  
STATIONS!





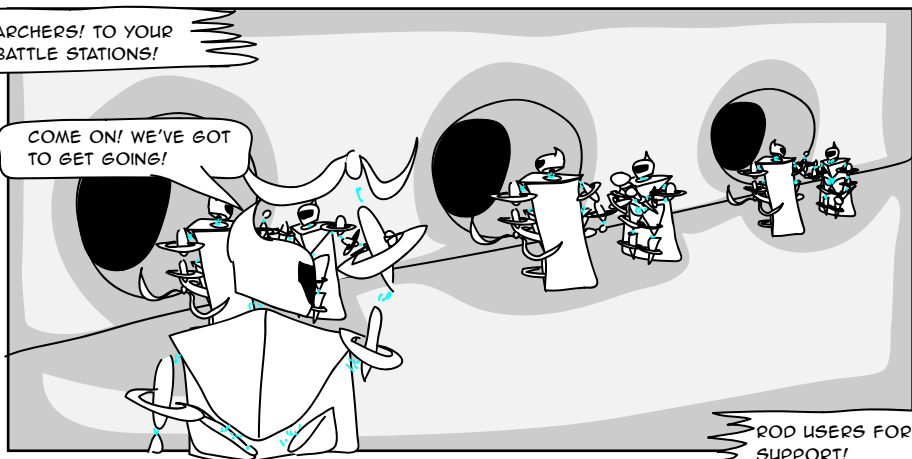
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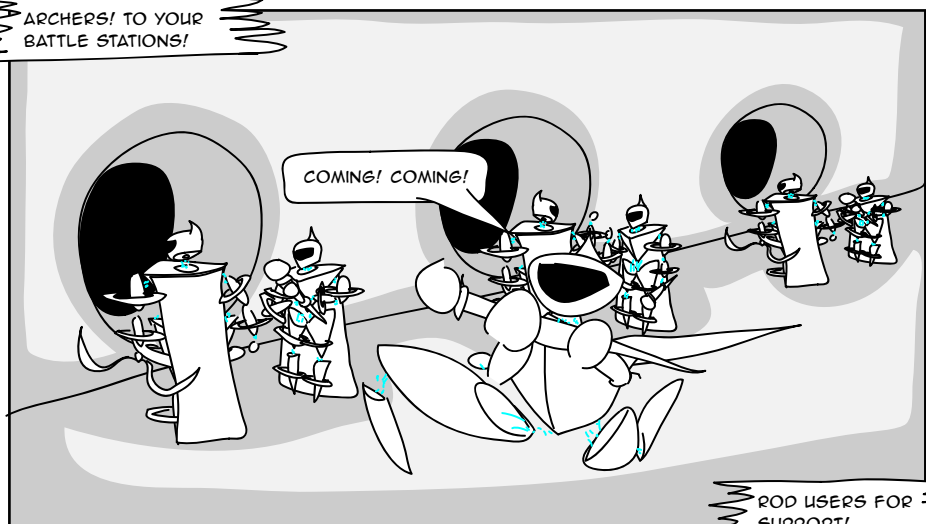
COME ON! WE'VE GOT  
TO GET GOING!



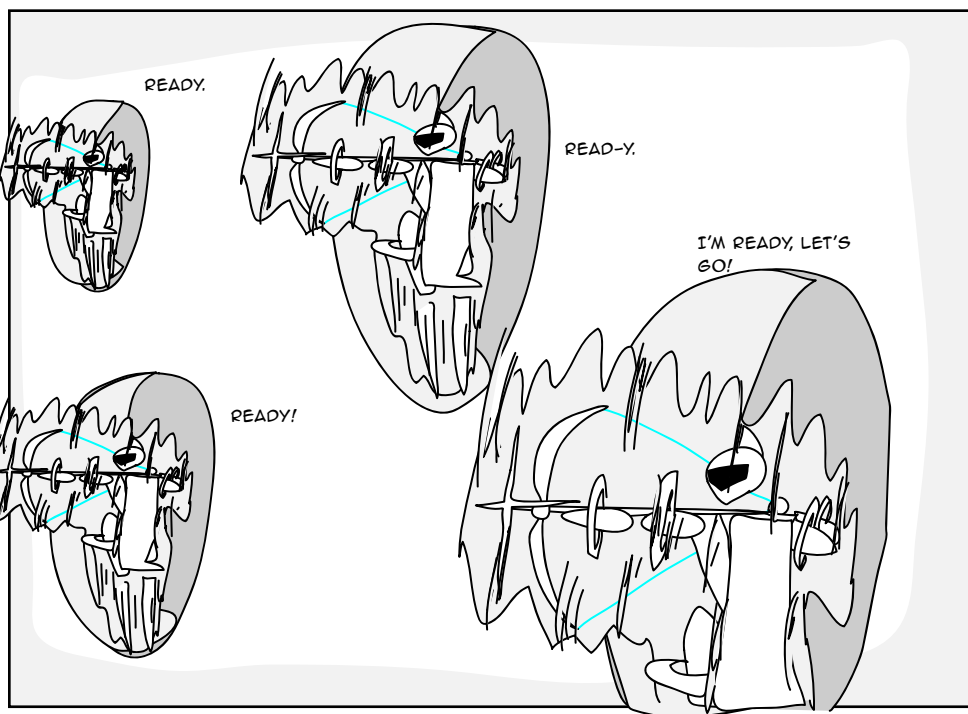
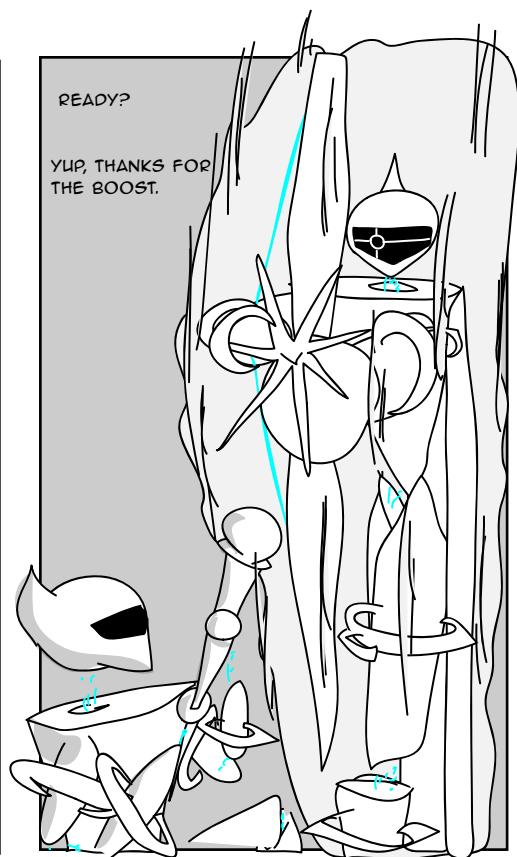
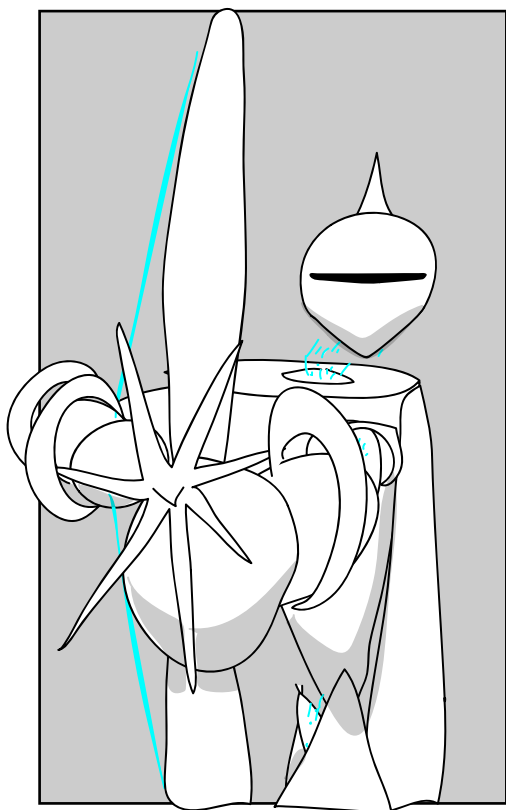
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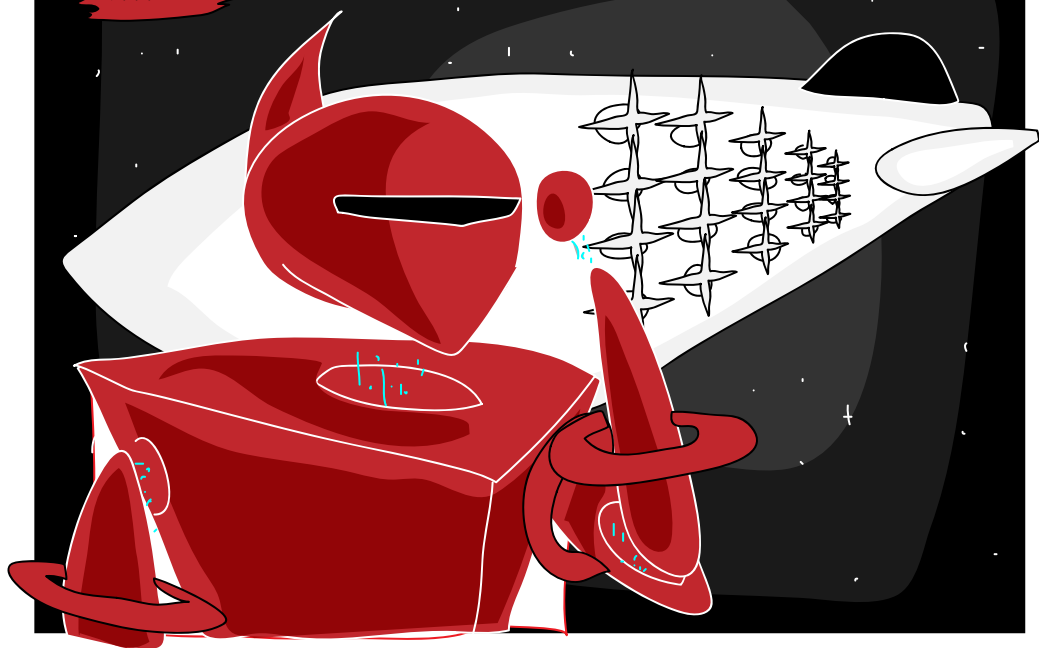


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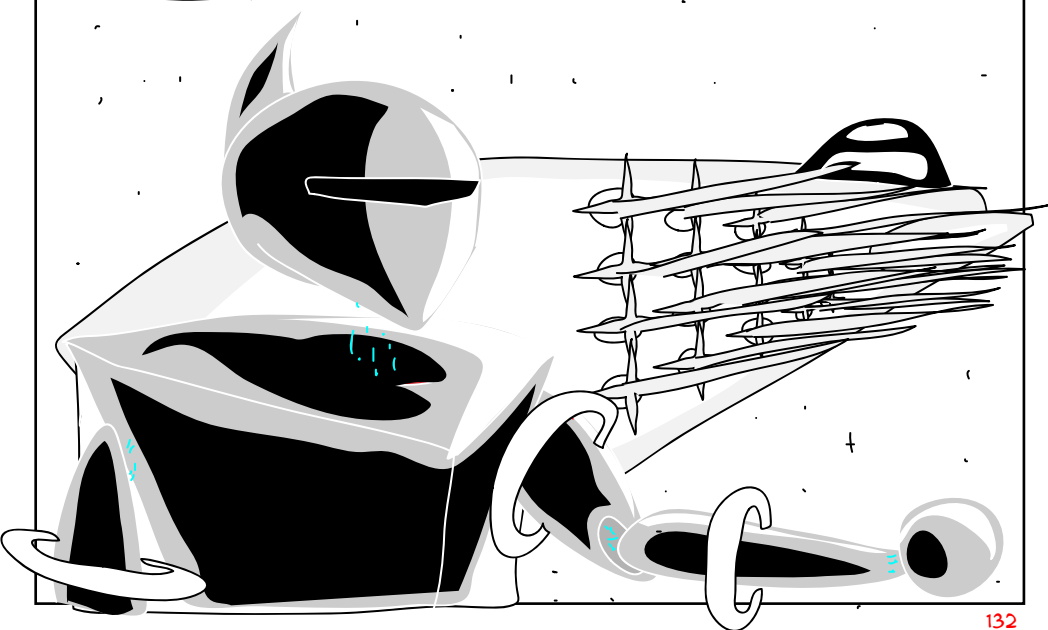


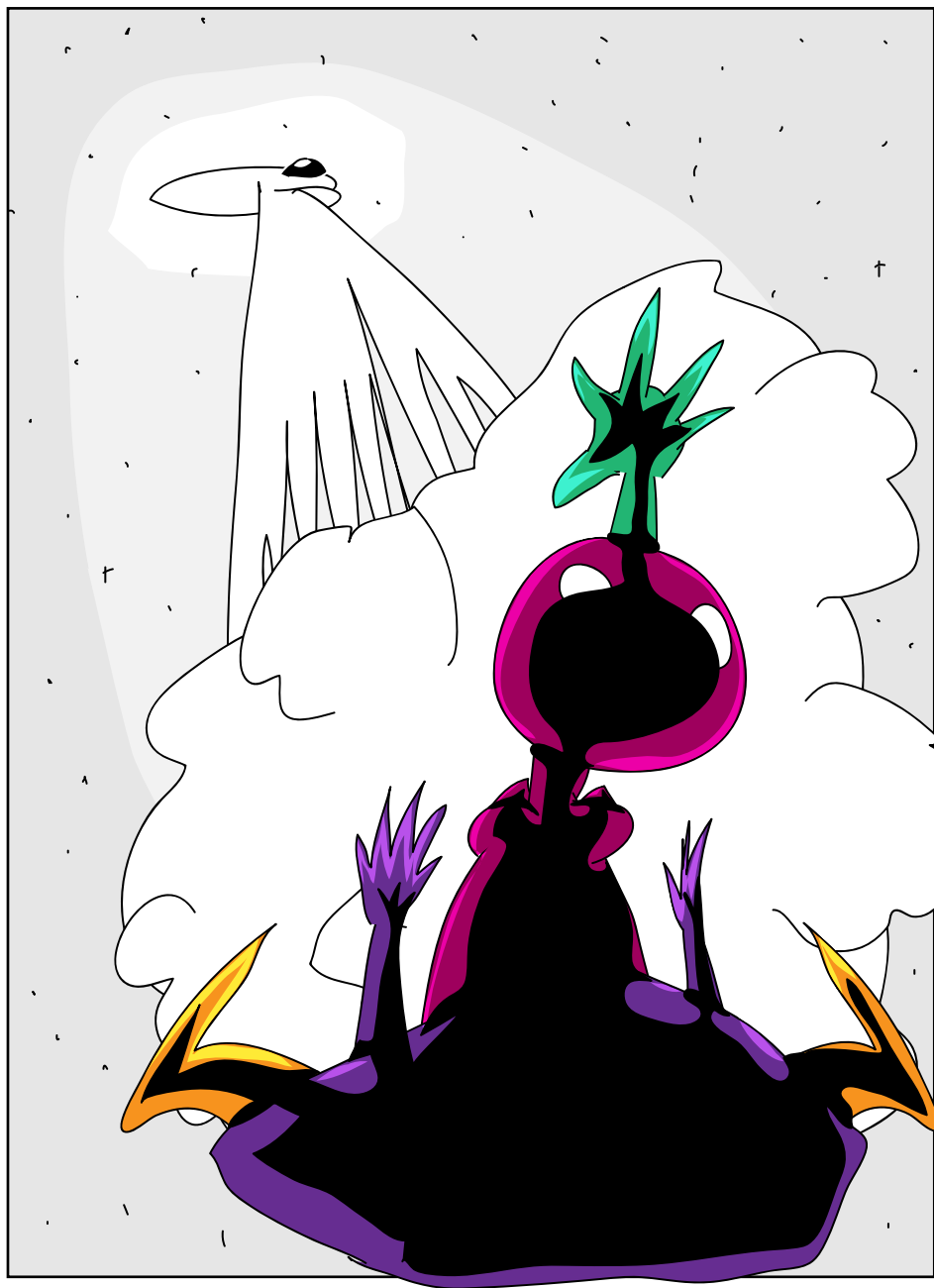
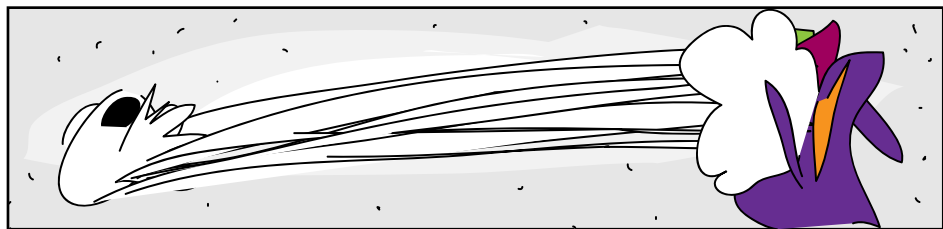
THE TIBBEAUX LIGHTWALL IS  
FULLY CHARGED. READY TO FIRE.

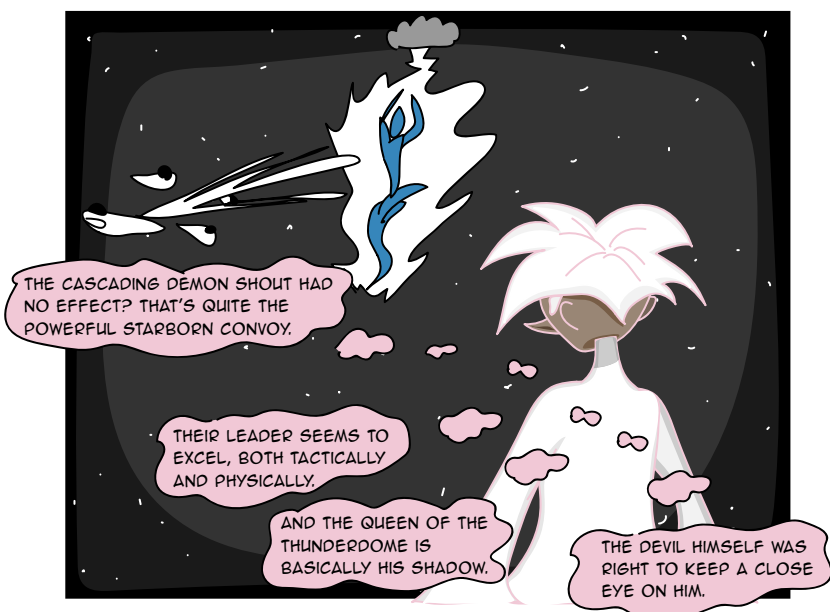
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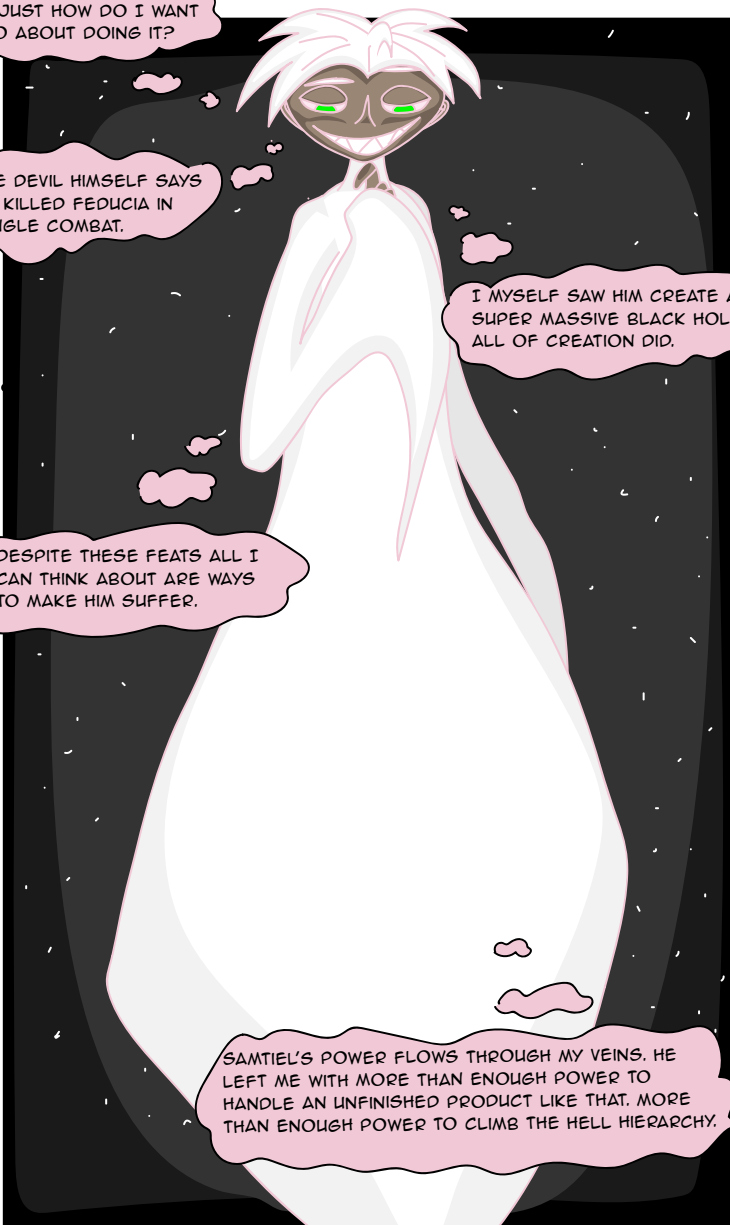


FIRE.









NOW JUST HOW DO I WANT  
TO GO ABOUT DOING IT?

THE DEVIL HIMSELF SAYS  
HE KILLED FEDUCIA IN  
SINGLE COMBAT.

I MYSELF SAW HIM CREATE A  
SUPER MASSIVE BLACK HOLE.  
ALL OF CREATION DID.

DESPITE THESE FEATS ALL I  
CAN THINK ABOUT ARE WAYS  
TO MAKE HIM SUFFER.

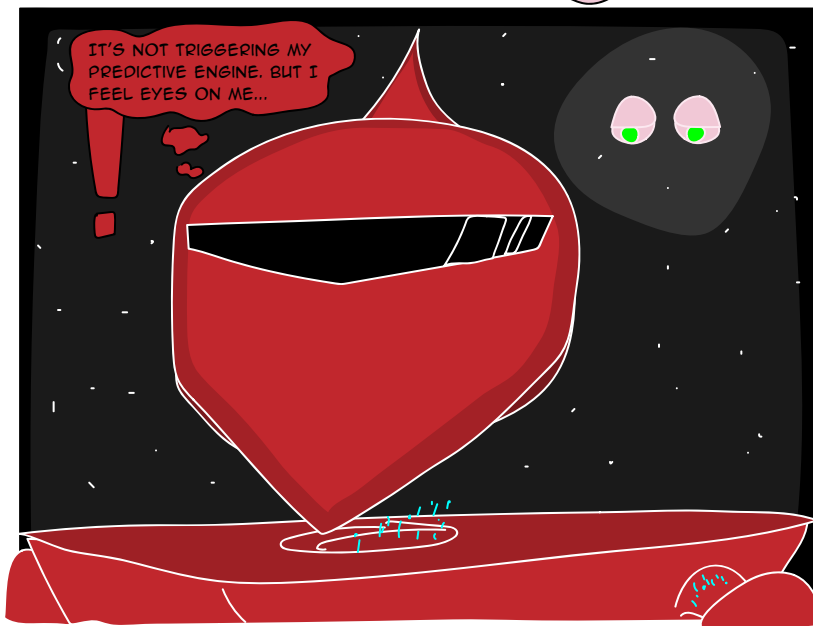
SAMTIEL'S POWER FLOWS THROUGH MY VEINS. HE  
LEFT ME WITH MORE THAN ENOUGH POWER TO  
HANDLE AN UNFINISHED PRODUCT LIKE THAT. MORE  
THAN ENOUGH POWER TO CLIMB THE HELL HIERARCHY.

JUST LOOK AT HIM. COMPLETELY UNAWARE, REVELING  
IN HIS USELESS VICTORY OF THE DAY.



SUCH SHORT SIGHTED JOY. WE'VE BEEN AT  
THIS FOR TEN THOUSAND YEARS. YOU THINK  
WITCH QUEEN YXRA CAN'T HANDLE ANOTHER  
UPSTART LIKE YOU?

IT'S NOT TRIGGERING MY  
PREDICTIVE ENGINE. BUT I  
FEEL EYES ON ME...

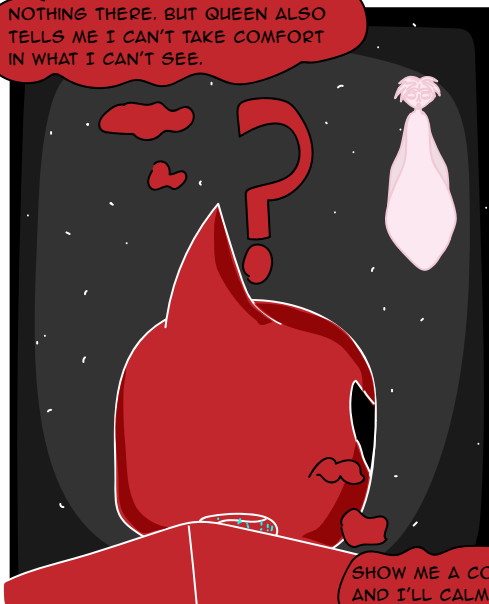


QUEEN TELLS ME THAT IF I FEEL EYES  
ON ME, A WITCH QUEEN IS PROBABLY  
SIZING ME UP.



LOOKING TO MAKE ME  
THEIR NEXT TARGET.

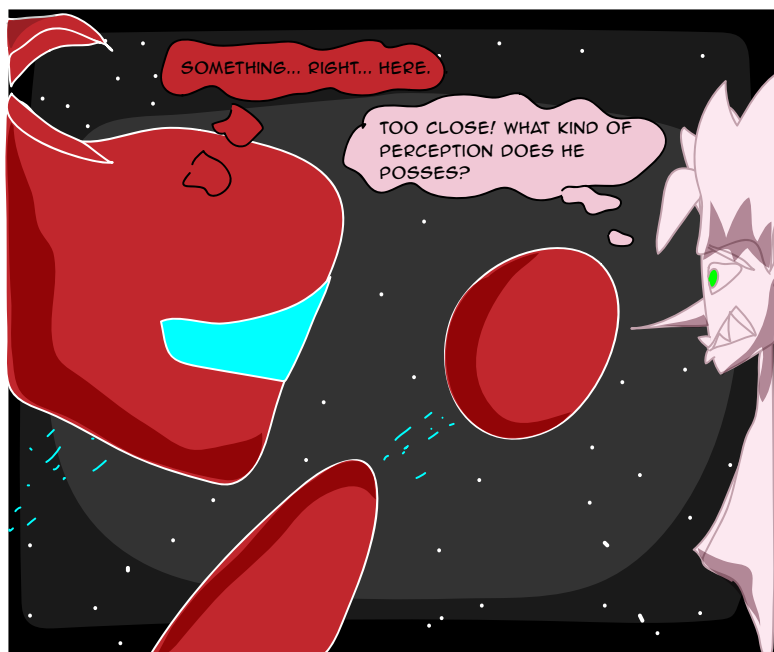
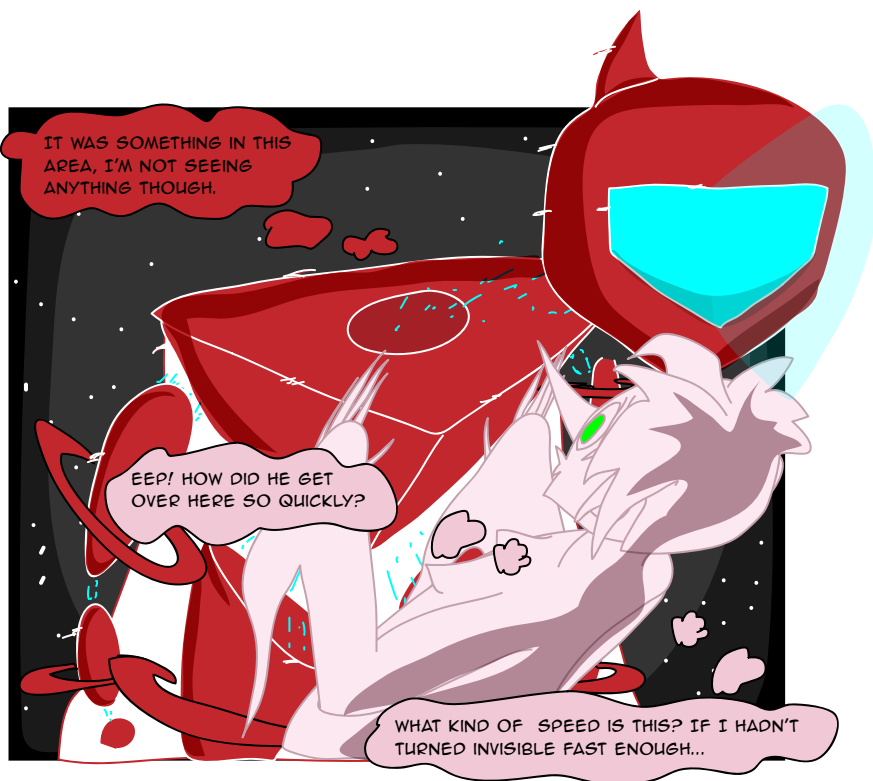
NOTHING THERE. BUT QUEEN ALSO  
TELLS ME I CAN'T TAKE COMFORT  
IN WHAT I CAN'T SEE.

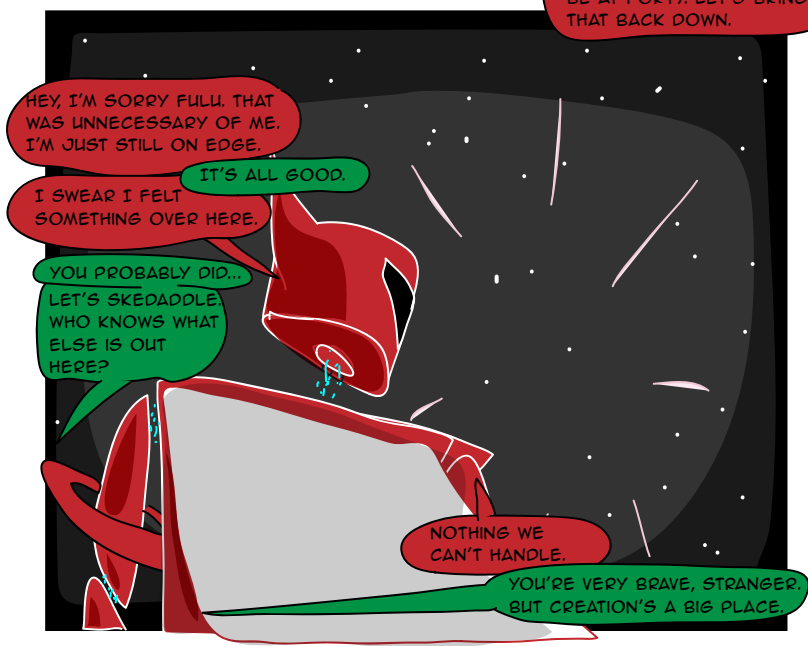
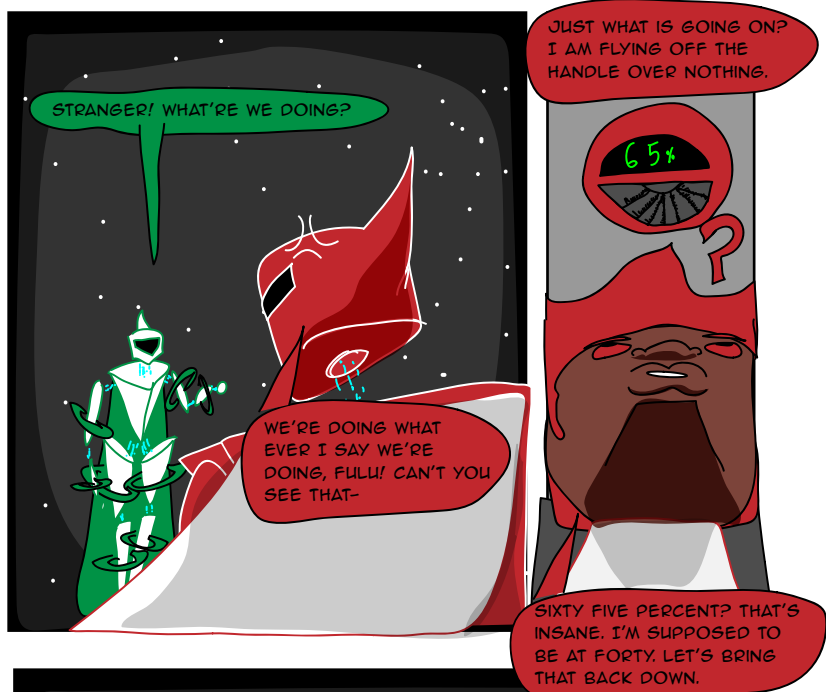


SHOW ME A CORPSE  
AND I'LL CALM DOWN.

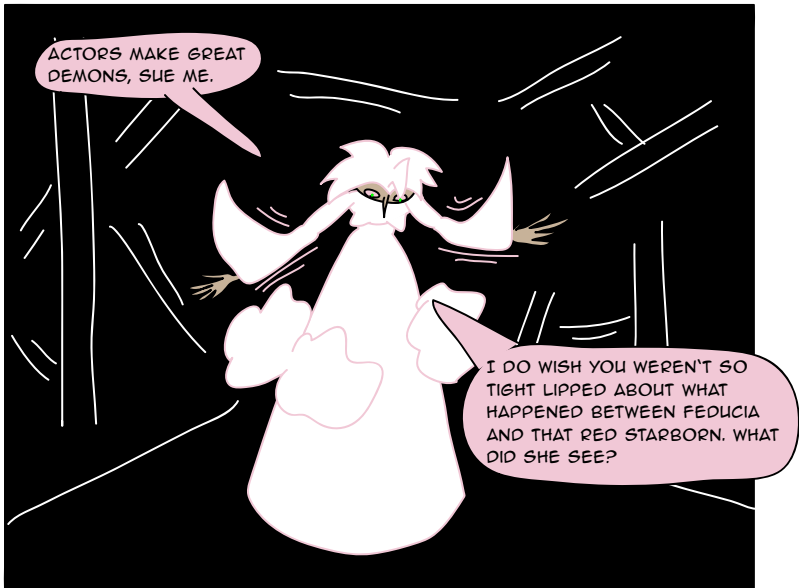
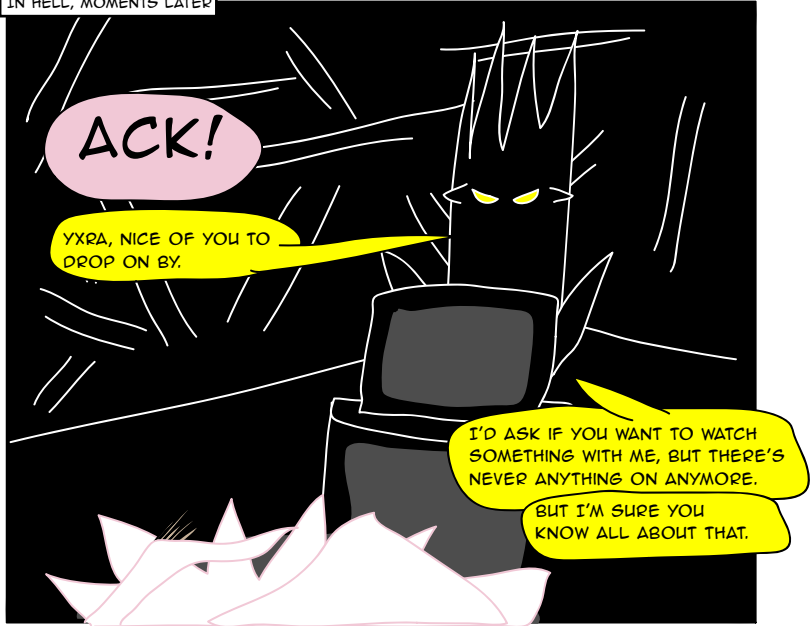


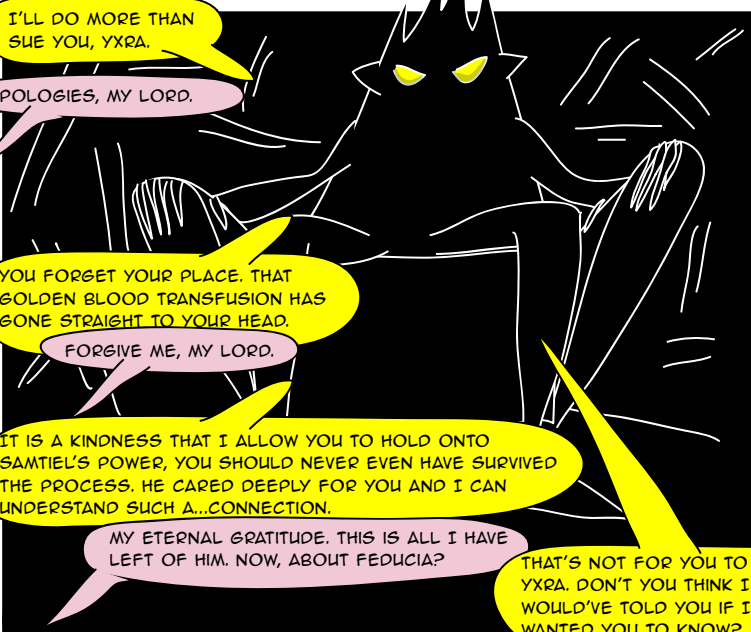






IN HELL, MOMENTS LATER





I'LL DO MORE THAN  
SUE YOU, YXRA.

APOLOGIES, MY LORD.

YOU FORGET YOUR PLACE. THAT  
GOLDEN BLOOD TRANSFUSION HAS  
GONE STRAIGHT TO YOUR HEAD.

FORGIVE ME, MY LORD.

IT IS A KINDNESS THAT I ALLOW YOU TO HOLD ONTO  
SAMTIEL'S POWER, YOU SHOULD NEVER EVEN HAVE SURVIVED  
THE PROCESS. HE CARED DEEPLY FOR YOU AND I CAN  
UNDERSTAND SUCH A...CONNECTION.

MY ETERNAL GRATITUDE. THIS IS ALL I HAVE  
LEFT OF HIM. NOW, ABOUT FEDUCIA?

THAT'S NOT FOR YOU TO KNOW,  
YXRA. DON'T YOU THINK I  
WOULD'VE TOLD YOU IF I  
WANTED YOU TO KNOW?



THIS WILL BE MORE DIFFICULT  
TO COMPLETE WITHOUT ALL  
THE INFORMATION.

THIS STARBORN IS  
DIFFERENT, I NEED TO  
UNDERSTAND WHA-

SHOULD I GIVE THIS JOB TO QUEEN FOLTEX? SHE NEVER ASKS SO MANY QUESTIONS. THINGS JUST GET DONE.

PLANETS JUST DISAPPEAR, PEOPLE SIMPLY CEASE TO EXIST. TACTICALLY, DON'T YOU THINK FOLTEX WOULD MAKE MORE SENSE THAN YOU?

WHAT? NO! I CAN DO THIS WORK, IT'S JUS-

ARE WE NOT ON THE SAME TEAM HERE, SATAN?



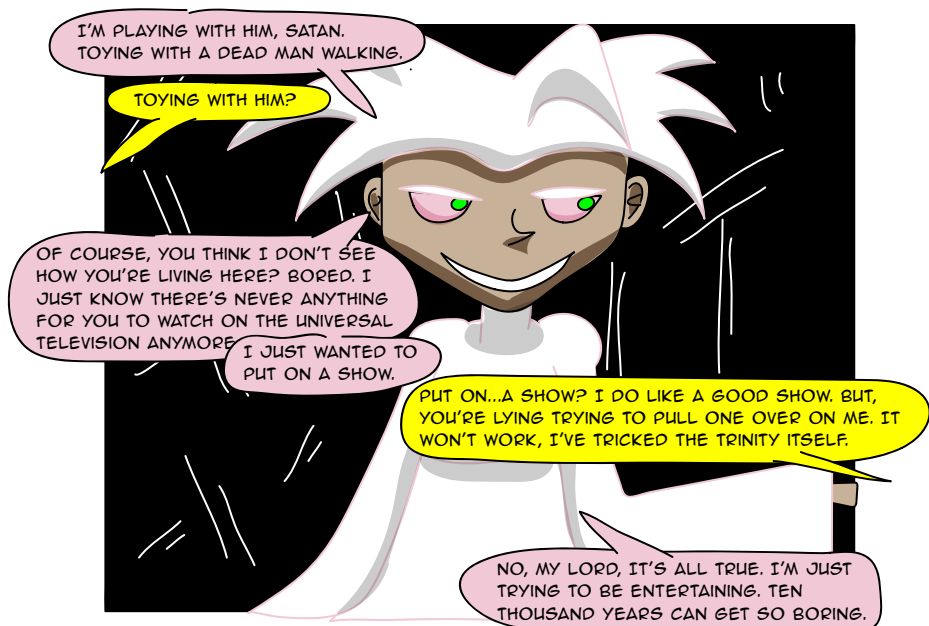
YOU CAN DO THIS WORK? SAME TEAM? YOU COULD'VE  
KILLED THE STARBORN JUST THEN. MY BROTHER'S  
POWER COURSES THROUGH YOUR VEINS..

IT'S EMBARRASSING TO SEE YOU  
SCRAMBLE AWAY FROM A STARBORN. TEN  
THOUSAND YEARS OF THIS AND NOW ONE  
OF THEM HAS YOU SHOOK. WITH SAMTIEL'S  
POWER NO LESS?



IT'S PATHETIC, AND I'M NOT REALLY SURE  
YOU CAN GET THE WORK DONE. I SHOULD  
TEAR THAT POWER FROM YOU AND DO IT  
MYSELF. BUT, AGAIN, I WON'T.

AND FOR YOUR KINNESS IN  
THAT MATTER I AM ETERNALLY  
GRATEF-



ENTERTAINING, HUH? I'LL TELL YOU WHAT. IT WOULD BE MUCH MORE INTERESTING TO SEE YOU FIND OUT WHAT FEDUCIA SAW FOR YOURSELF.



KILL HIM, AND I'LL TELL YOU WHAT SHE SAW. OR, LOOK FOR YOURSELF WITH THOSE PIERCING GREEN EYES.

THOUGH IF FEDUCIA, A DEVIL. FOUND HERSELF ON THE WRONG SIDE OF A BLACK HOLE. I SHUDDER TO THINK WHAT MAY HAPPEN TO YOU, A WITCH. HAH!



HAH! NOW THAT'S ENTERTAINING! THERE! YOU'VE ENTERTAINED ME. NOW GET OUT! GO BE USEFUL!







I NEED TO FIND A WAY TO KILL THIS STARBORN, MY STANDING IN THE HELL HIERARCHY RESTS ON MY ABILITY TO KILL HIM.

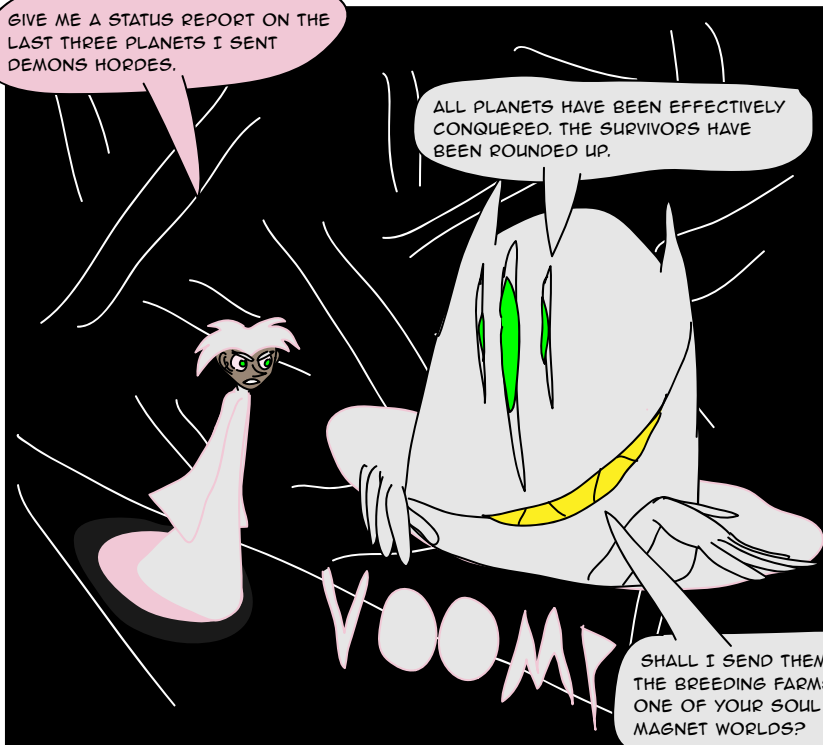
I CAN'T LET FOLTEx TAKE THIS JOB, I'M SUPERIOR TO HER IN EVERY CONCEIVABLE WAY.

AND SHE'S A SORE WINNER. MOUTHY HAG.

TODAY DRAINED ME, I SHOULD UNWIND.



LOYAL THING, COME HERE.



GIVE ME A STATUS REPORT ON THE  
LAST THREE PLANETS I SENT  
DEMONS HORDES.

ALL PLANETS HAVE BEEN EFFECTIVELY  
CONQUERED. THE SURVIVORS HAVE  
BEEN ROUNDED UP.

VOOM!

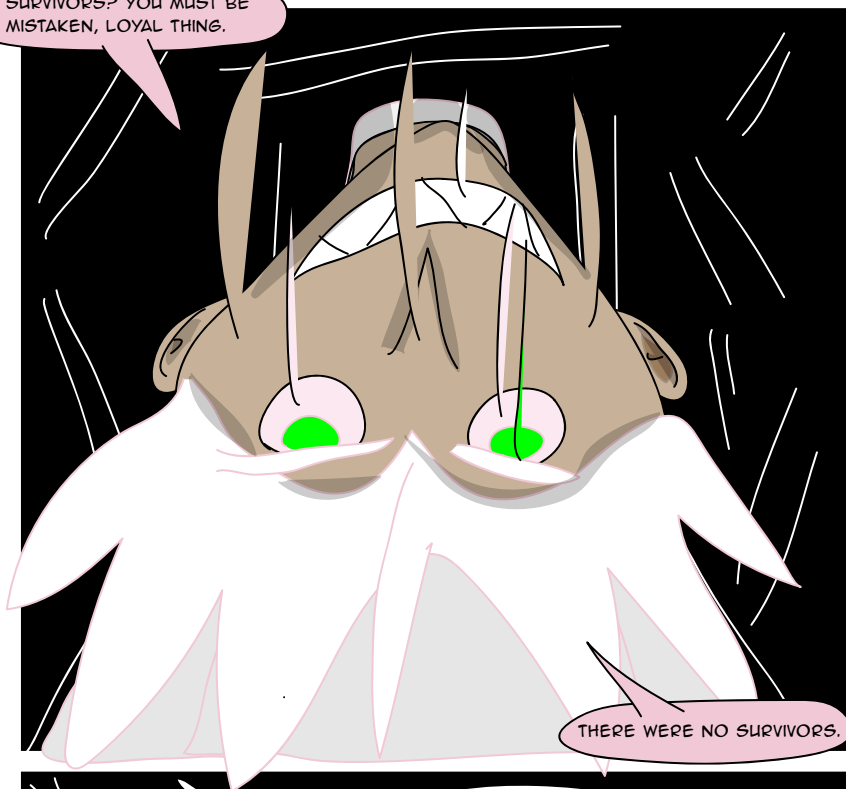
SHALL I SEND THEM TO  
THE BREEDING FARMS ON  
ONE OF YOUR SOUL  
MAGNET WORLDS?



WE CAN EXPECT AN INCREASE IN  
PASSIVE SOUL ATTRACTION AND  
COLLECTION BY ABOUT TWO  
PERCENT...WITH...THIS...MANY...

MY QUEEN? THE  
SURVIVORS?

SURVIVORS? YOU MUST BE  
MISTAKEN, LOYAL THING.



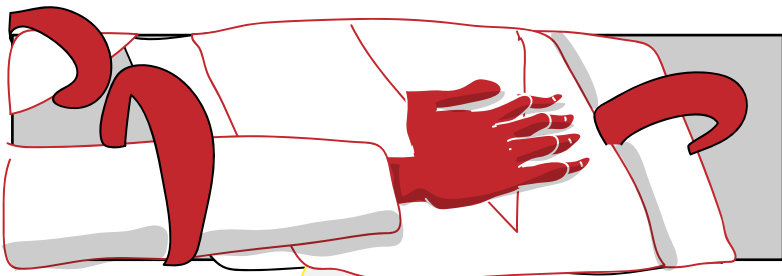
THERE WERE NO SURVIVORS.



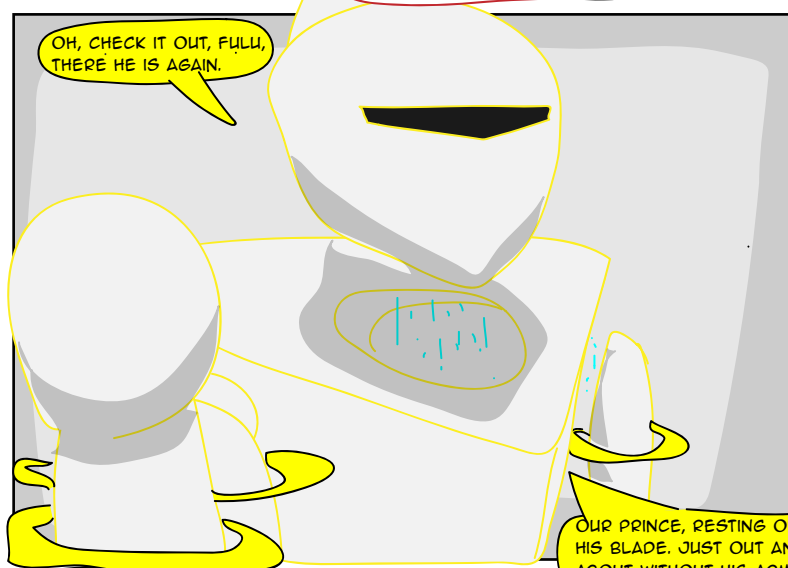
HAHAHA! VERY GOOD MY  
QUEEN, VERY GENEROUS.  
SHALL WE EAT QUIETLY  
OR...

DON'T HOLD BACK, I  
WANT TO HEAR THEIR  
SCREAMS FROM HELL.

BRING ME THE ONES THAT  
CRY. QUICKLY! I HAVEN'T  
RELAXED IN DAYS.

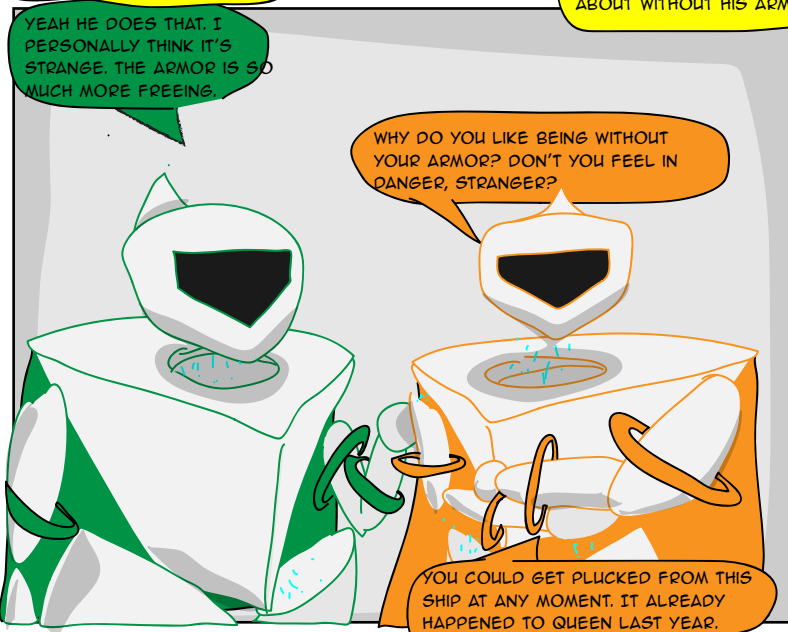


OH, CHECK IT OUT, FULU,  
THERE HE IS AGAIN.



OUR PRINCE, RESTING ON  
HIS BLADE. JUST OUT AND  
ABOUT WITHOUT HIS ARMOR.

YEAH HE DOES THAT. I  
PERSONALLY THINK IT'S  
STRANGE. THE ARMOR IS SO  
MUCH MORE FREEING.



WHY DO YOU LIKE BEING WITHOUT  
YOUR ARMOR? DON'T YOU FEEL IN  
DANGER, STRANGER?

YOU COULD GET PLUCKED FROM THIS  
SHIP AT ANY MOMENT. IT ALREADY  
HAPPENED TO QUEEN LAST YEAR.

I'LL TRY TO EXPLAIN IT TO YOU, ZODA. CAN YOU TAKE OFF YOUR ARMOR FOR A MOMENT?

YOU WANT ME TO JOIN YOU IN A LIFE ON THE EDGE? HOW SELFISH, STRANGER.

ONLY FOR A MOMENT, ZODA. KEEP ONE PALM ACTIVATED.

OUR PALMS ARE GREAT. THEY CAN GRAB AND HOLD ONTO ANYTHING. AND THEIR CRUSH STRENGTH IS QUITE AMAZING.

RATED FOR EXTREME IMPACTS AND THE ABILITY TO REALLY REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMETHING FROM A DISTANCE.

THE "TING" WHEN HARDLIGHT TOUCHES IS ALSO QUITE NICE.

I CERTAINLY KNEW ALL OF THAT. THAT'S WHY YOU SEE ME IN MY ARMOR SO OFTEN. WHAT MAKES HANDS SO SPECIAL?

STRANGER THINKS WE STILL  
NEED OUR THUMBS. HEH HEH.

IT'S JUST MORE  
OPTIMAL TO BE IN  
OUR ARMOR, PRINCE  
STRANGER.

YES, BUT HAVE YOU CONSIDERED  
TOUCHING THINGS?

TOUCHING THINGS? WE TOUCH  
THINGS WITH OUR PALMS ALL THE  
TIME. WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

CAN I SEE YOUR HAND?

DESPITE ALL THE PALMS'  
BENEFITS, THEY'RE NOT GREAT  
AT FEELING THINGS.

OUR VISORS JUST SCAN THE OBJECT OUR PALM  
TOUCHES. AFTER THAT, WE JUST KNOW WHAT THE  
OBJECT FEELS LIKE ON ALL SIDES, INSTANTLY.

BUT WITH OUR HANDS...

I REALLY HAVE TO HOLD ONTO YOU TO UNDERSTAND EVERY ASPECT OF YOUR HAND. THE EXPLORATION MUST BE DONE WITH INTENTION.

THE TRUE-TOUCH TECH ON THESE GLOVES IS REALLY SPECIAL. I CAN FEEL ALL THE PARTS OF YOUR HAND.

I CAN FEEL WHERE YOUR BONES PROTRUDE, AND HOW YOUR SKIN MOVES UNDER YOUR BODY ARMOR.

I CAN FEEL THE HEAT OF YOUR HAND, THE PULSE OF YOUR HEART, THE ZIP OF YOUR HYPERLIGHT.

Rub

UH OH. THIS IS BEGINNING TO REQUIRE MORE EMOTIONAL VULNERABILITY THAN I CURRENTLY POSSESS. HMM...

I CAN FEEL YOUR HAND MUSCLES PUSH AND PULL TO MAINTAIN POSITIONS.

WITH MY PALMS I WOULD JUST ANALYZE YOU AND KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING, INSTANTLY. THERE'D BE NO TIME TO REALLY FEEL YOU.

AND THERE IT IS, MY LIMIT. MY HEART IS AFLUTTER AND MY FACE IS GETTING HOT.

I KNOW. I'LL TELL SOME KIND OF JOKE TO BREAK SOME OF THIS TENSION.



DO YOU SEE, ZODA? WHEN I TOUCH YOU  
LIKE THIS, IT'S MORE OF AN EXPERIENCE.

ARE YOU COLD? YOUR HAND IS SHAKING.

NO, NOT COLD. I JUST DIDN'T KNOW  
THIS IS HOW I'D BE PROPOSED TO.

OH NO! ANOTHER  
VORPIAN HAND RITUAL.

PROPOSED TO?

JUST DON'T GET PULLED INTO IT, PHLO. MY  
PALMS ARE HIDDEN I SHOULD BE SAFE.

YOU HEARING THIS, PHLO? WHAT KIND OF  
PROPOSAL IS THAT?! HAH! ON WHAT  
PLANET? ZODA'S FUNNY, MAN.

HA  
HA

OH SO THAT'S  
FUNNY TO YOU?

WHAT YOU DID TO ME WERE THE  
EXACT STEPS TO A VORPIAN  
PROPOSAL. VORP IS MY  
HOMEWORLD.

SO IT'S A PROPOSAL ON MY KIND OF  
PLANET. JOKING AT CHANGING A  
"COMMONER'S" LIFE. TCH, VERY CLASSY.

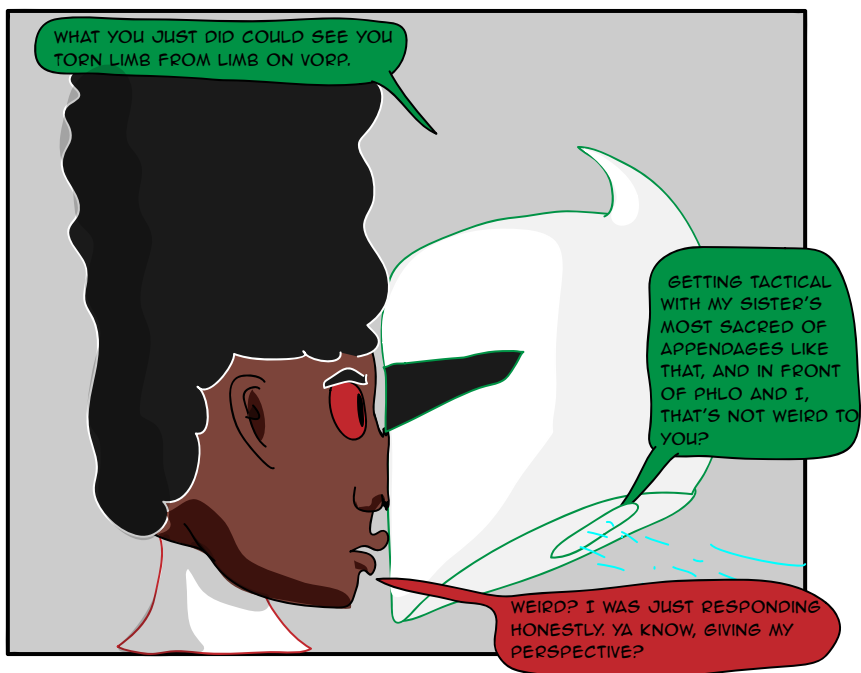
YEAH, THE TWINS HAVE GOT  
THIS THING WITH HANDS.

A THING WITH HANDS? WHAT  
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

PHLO, WHAT DID I JUST DO?

WHAT DID YOU  
JUST DO?

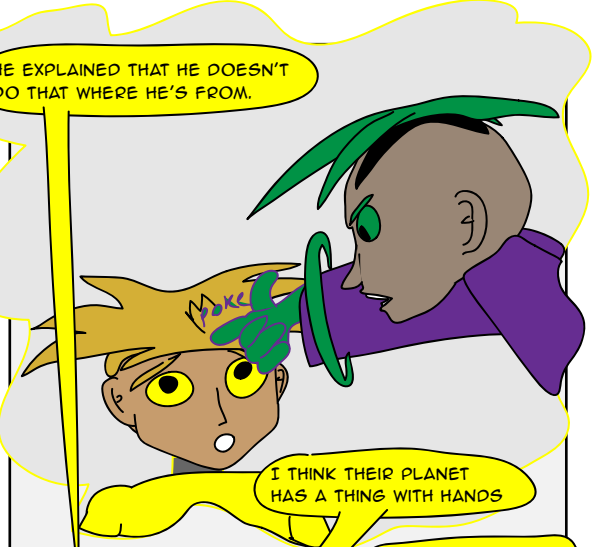
AND JUST LIKE THAT A COMPLICATED  
EMOTION WAS AVOIDED. PHLO, I  
LEAVE THE REST TO YOU.





HE EXPLAINED THAT HE DOESN'T DO THAT WHERE HE'S FROM.

I'VE SEEN THIS BEFORE. THOUGH LAST TIME I SHOT FULU SOME FINGER GUNS...



I THINK THEIR PLANET HAS A THING WITH HANDS

AND I STILL HAVEN'T FOUND A BOOK ON VORP CULTURE. SO I JUST STAY AWAY FROM HAND MOTIONS WITH THEM.

WHEN I FIND A GOOD BOOK ON IT I'LL LET YOU READ IT TOO.

IN TRUTH, IF I DID NOT KNOW THESE TWINS WERE MORTAL. I WOULD HAVE CONSIDERED THEM CREATURES OF CHAOS.

THEY LIE OFTEN AND UNPROMPTED.



FOR THESE TWO, THESE ARE JUST THE TYPE OF JOKES THAT MAKE THEM LAUGH.

DID YOU SEE HIS FACE? HE COMPLETELY BOUGHT IT TEE HEE. THEY WERE SO LOST. \*SNICKERS\* HE KEPT LOOKING OVER TO PHLO.

TEE HEE  
THAT GUY DOES NOT HAVE THE ANSWERS.



TELL ME. HOW HAVE YOU BEEN, PHLO? I KNOW WE'VE BEEN GOING BACK TO BACK ON MISSIONS FOR A WHILE. ARE YOU HOLDING UP ALRIGHT?

I'M...FINE. I TRY TO GO MOMENT BY MOMENT. I THINK THE MISSIONS HAVE BEEN GOOD FOR ME. THEY'VE KEPT ME FROM GETTING TRAPPED IN MY OWN HEAD.

WELL, IF YOU SAY SO. BUT IF YOU EVER NEED ANYTHING, I'VE GOT YOUR BACK.

OF COURSE, AND I YOURS. THANK YOU, MY PRINCE.

#### INCOMING CONTACT

OH I'VE GOT INCOMING FROM TAZA. ONE SECOND, PHLO.

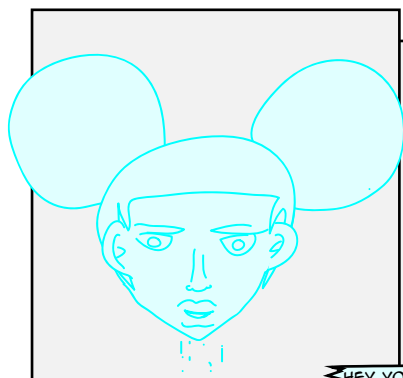
PRINCESS TAZA?  
HEY! HOW'S IT-

I CAN HANDLE WEIRD.

CAN'T SPELL MY NAME WITHOUT STRANGE,  
LET'S HEAR IT.

STRANGER, IT'S GOOD TO HEAR FROM YOU. I'VE GOT A REQUEST FOR YOU, IT'S A LITTLE WEIRD.

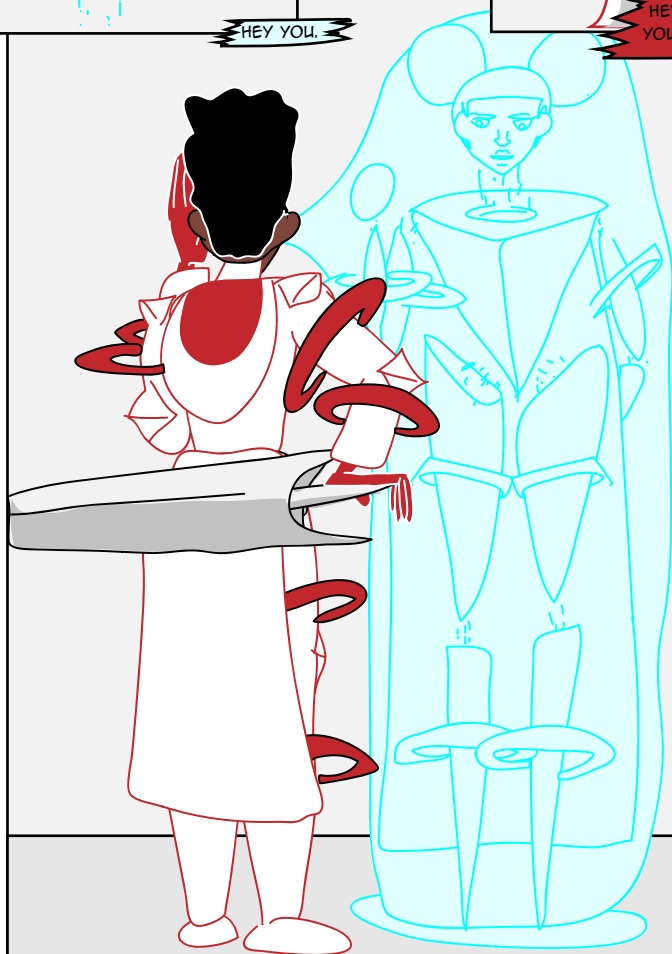
\*SNICKER\* THAT'S CUTE. DISPLAY MY PROJECTION. I'LL NEED TO EXPLAIN THIS QUICKLY.



HEY YOU.

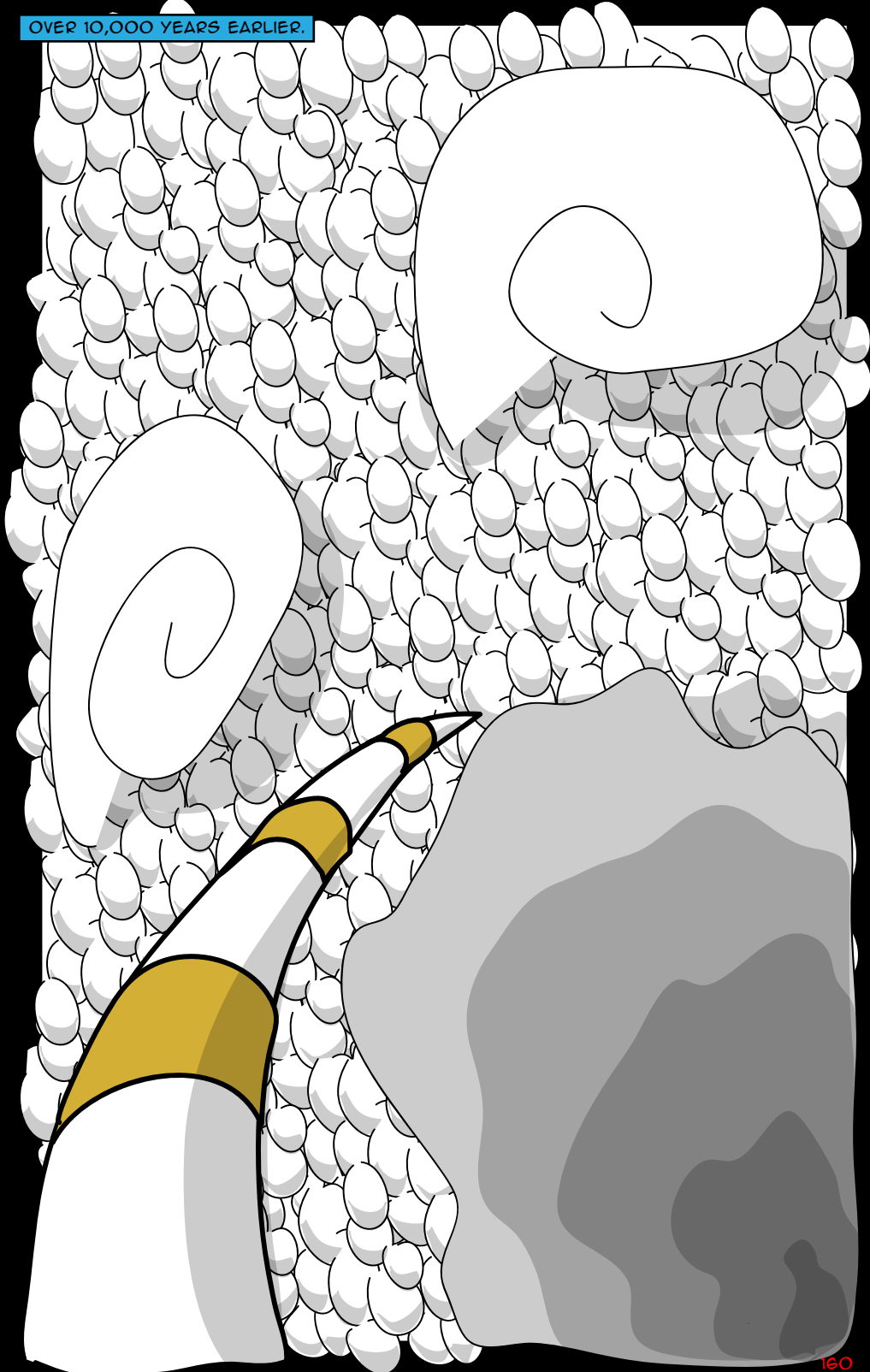


HEY! NICE TO SEE  
YOU. SO WHAT'S UP?



SO HERE'S WHAT I  
NEED YOU TO DO...

OVER 10,000 YEARS EARLIER.



CONCEPT:

ENDLESS

"ENCIRCULATION"



FAILURE



CONCEPT:

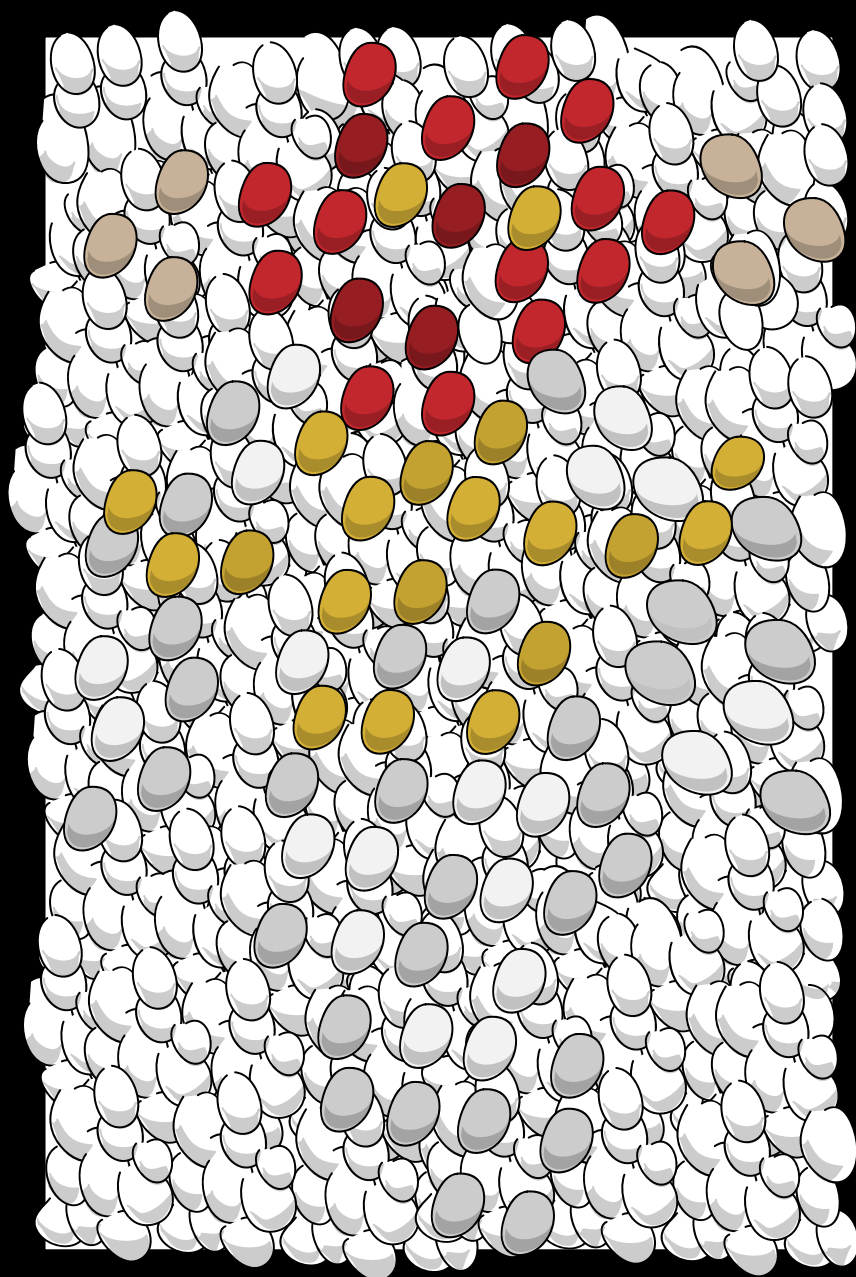
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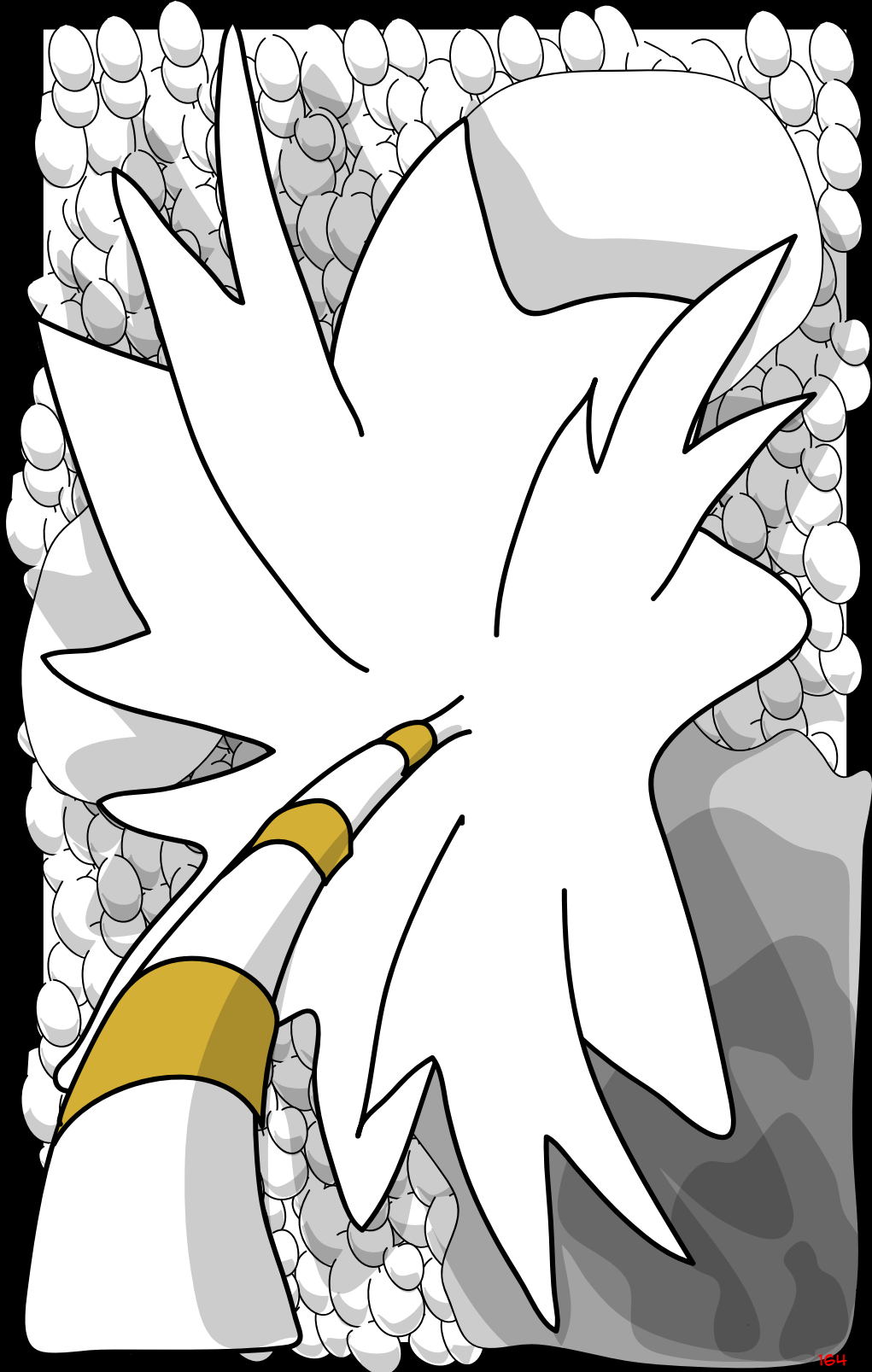
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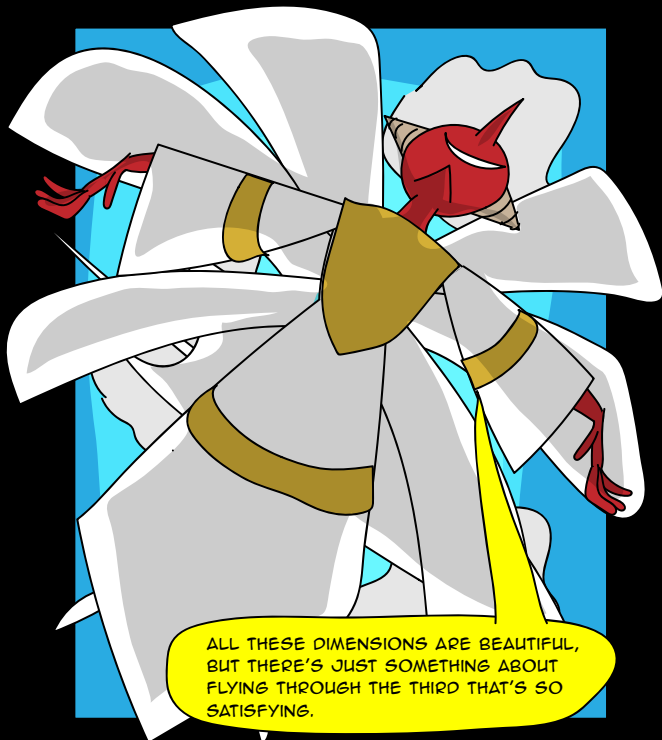


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FINALLY DONE WITH MY  
WORK IN THE ELEVENTH  
TODAY.



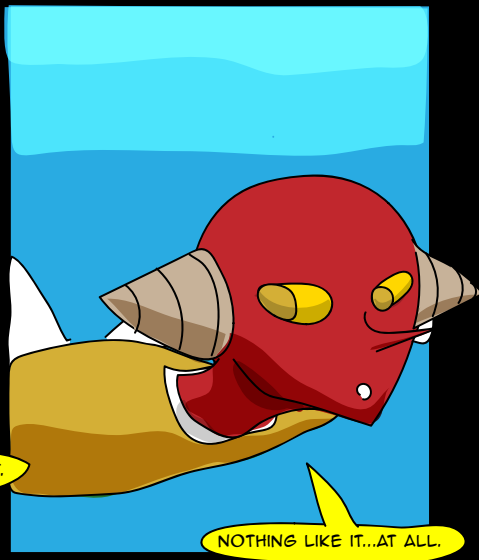
ALL THESE DIMENSIONS ARE BEAUTIFUL,  
BUT THERE'S JUST SOMETHING ABOUT  
FLYING THROUGH THE THIRD THAT'S SO  
SATISFYING.



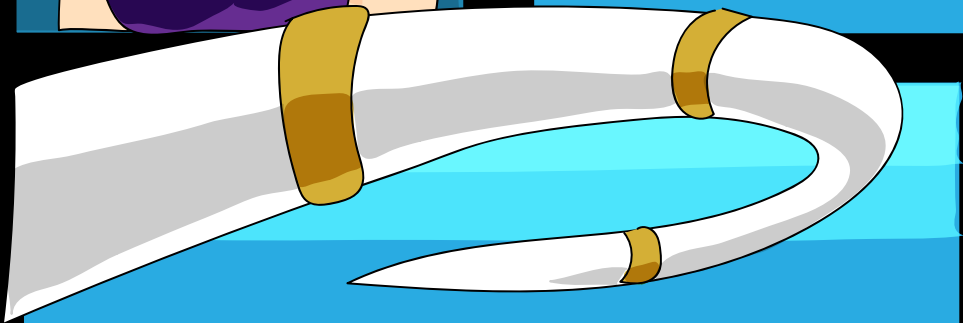
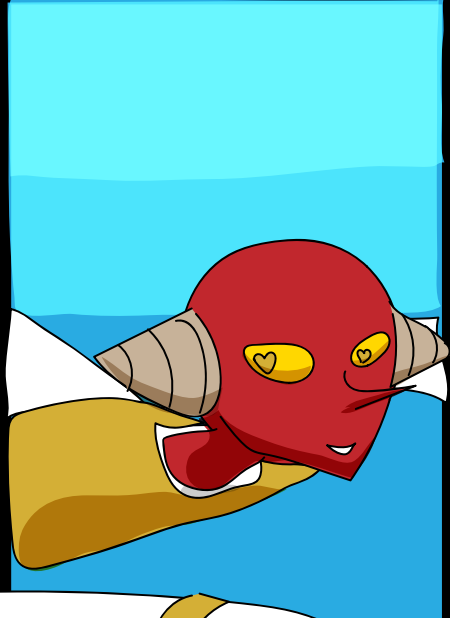
THE RULES OF THIS DIMENSION TRY TO TRAP, ME AND  
PUSHING THROUGH THAT RESISTANCE...



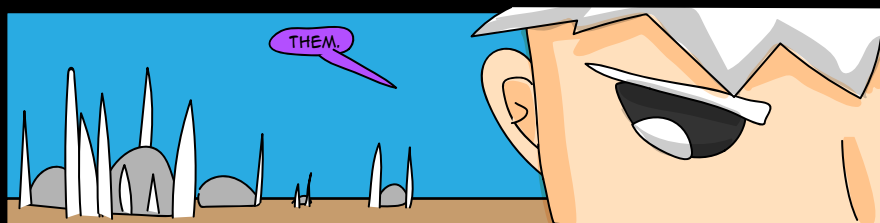
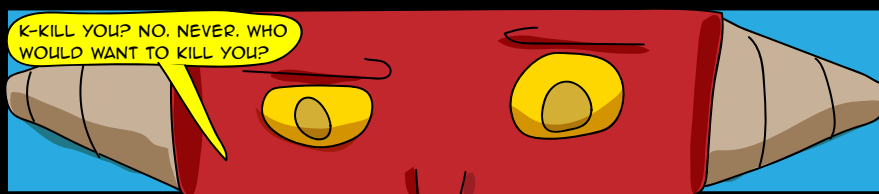
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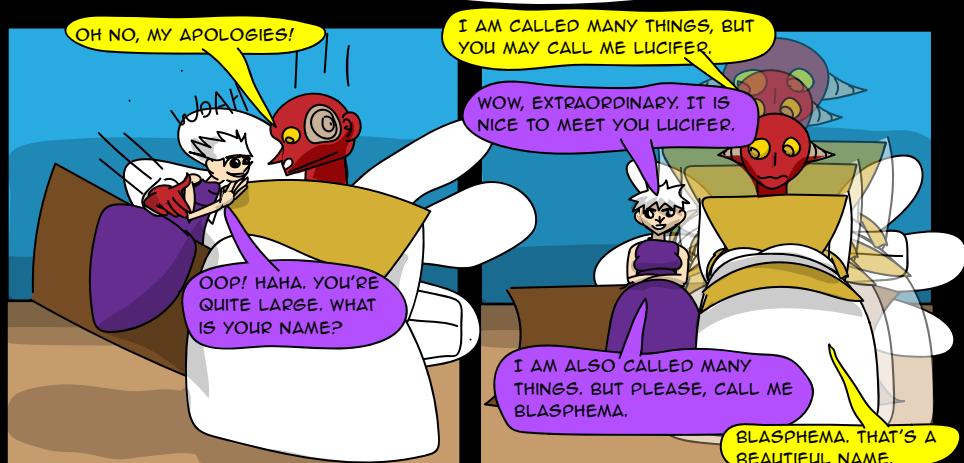


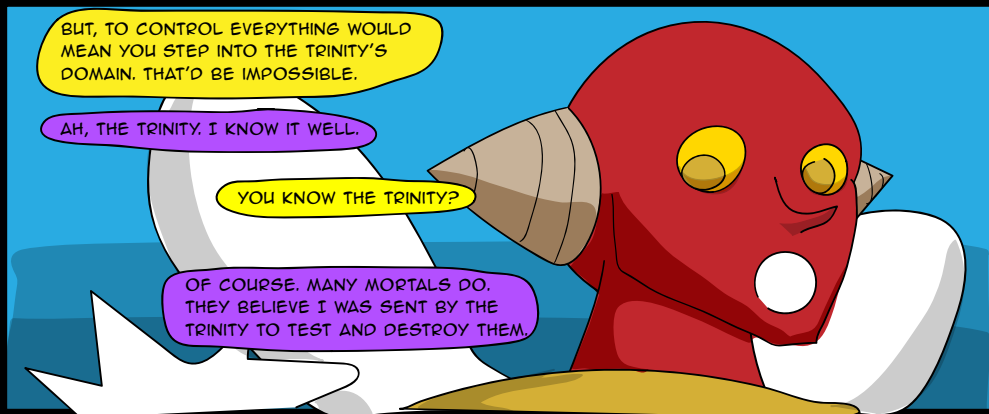
NOTHING LIKE IT...AT ALL.



BE NOT AFRAID,  
DEAR MORTAL.





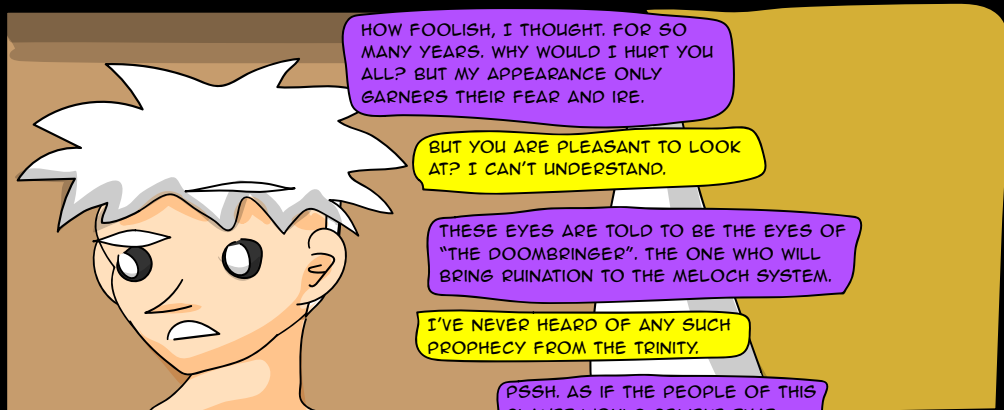


BUT, TO CONTROL EVERYTHING WOULD MEAN YOU STEP INTO THE TRINITY'S DOMAIN. THAT'D BE IMPOSSIBLE.

AH, THE TRINITY. I KNOW IT WELL.

YOU KNOW THE TRINITY?

OF COURSE. MANY MORTALS DO. THEY BELIEVE I WAS SENT BY THE TRINITY TO TEST AND DESTROY THEM.



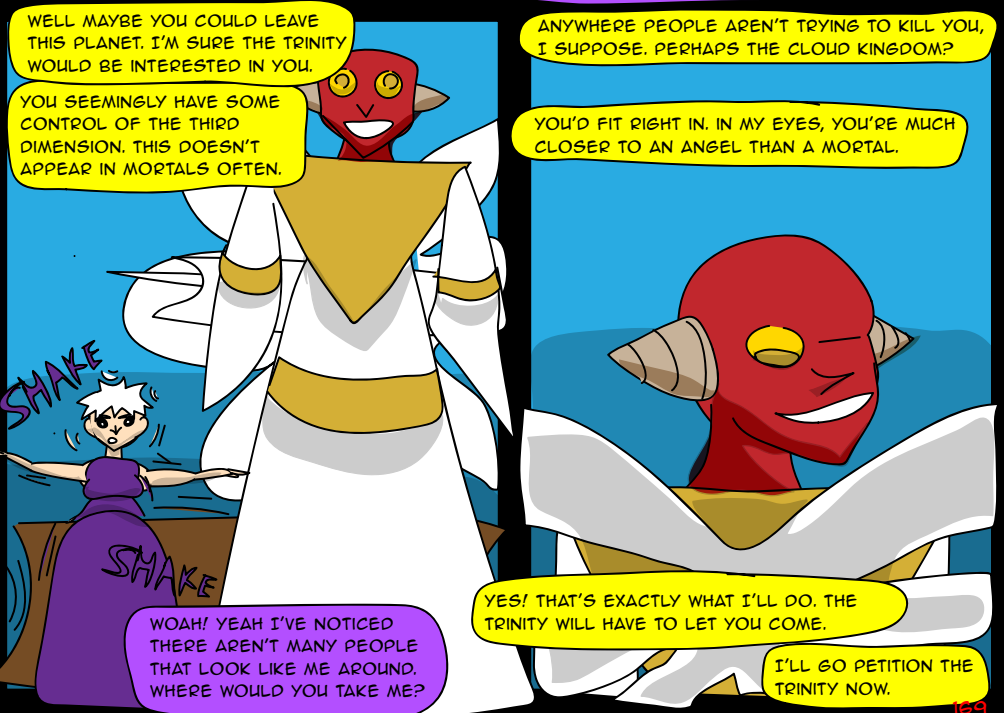
HOW FOOLISH, I THOUGHT. FOR SO MANY YEARS. WHY WOULD I HURT YOU ALL? BUT MY APPEARANCE ONLY GARNERS THEIR FEAR AND IRE.

BUT YOU ARE PLEASANT TO LOOK AT? I CAN'T UNDERSTAND.

THESE EYES ARE TOLD TO BE THE EYES OF "THE DOOMBRINGER". THE ONE WHO WILL BRING RUINATION TO THE MELOCH SYSTEM.

I'VE NEVER HEARD OF ANY SUCH PROPHECY FROM THE TRINITY.

PSSH. AS IF THE PEOPLE OF THIS PLANET WOULD BELIEVE THAT.



WELL MAYBE YOU COULD LEAVE THIS PLANET. I'M SURE THE TRINITY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN YOU.

YOU SEEMINGLY HAVE SOME CONTROL OF THE THIRD DIMENSION. THIS DOESN'T APPEAR IN MORTALS OFTEN.

ANYWHERE PEOPLE AREN'T TRYING TO KILL YOU, I SUPPOSE. PERHAPS THE CLOUD KINGDOM?

YOU'D FIT RIGHT IN. IN MY EYES, YOU'RE MUCH CLOSER TO AN ANGEL THAN A MORTAL.

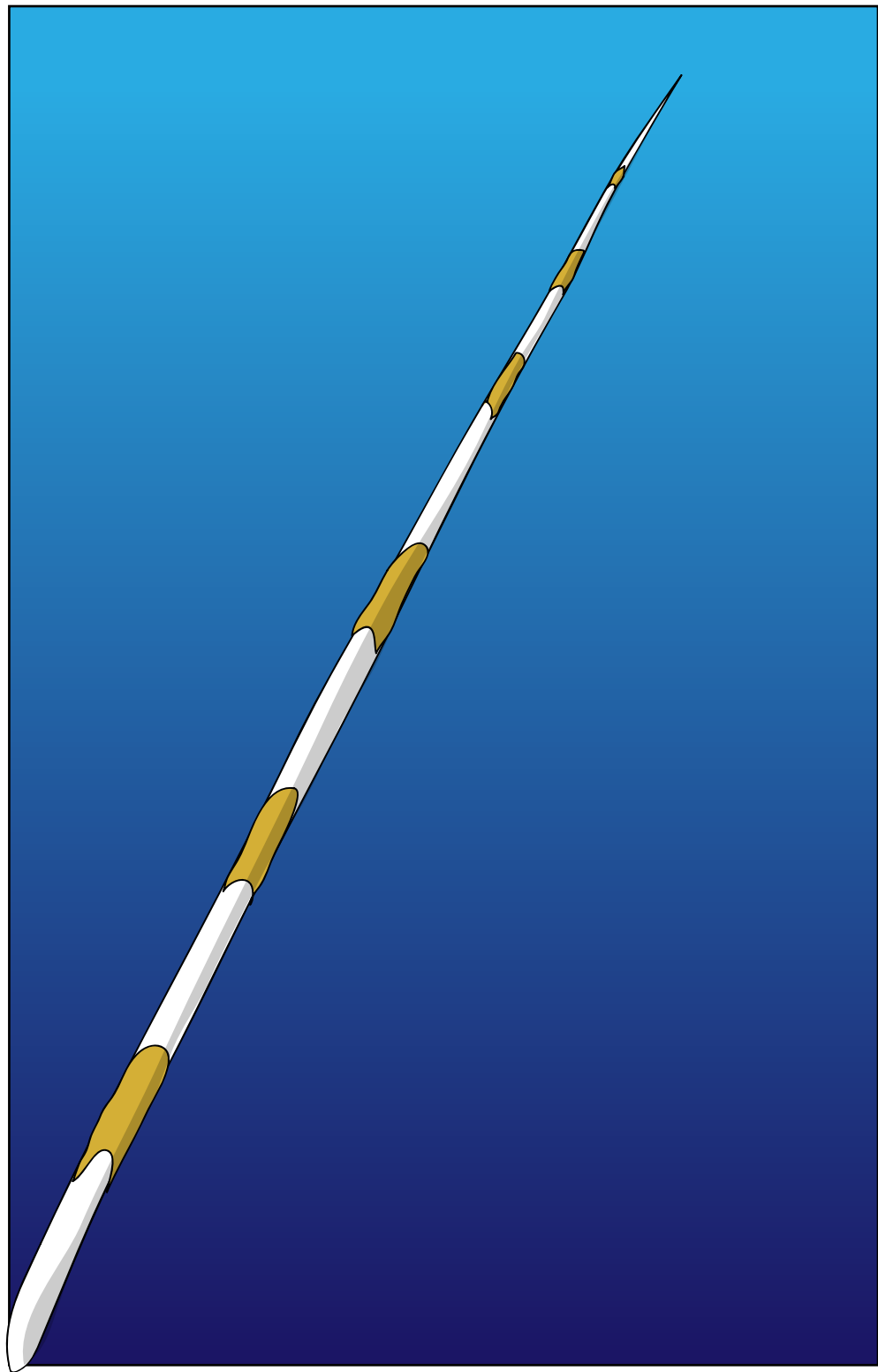
WOAH! YEAH I'VE NOTICED THERE AREN'T MANY PEOPLE THAT LOOK LIKE ME AROUND. WHERE WOULD YOU TAKE ME?

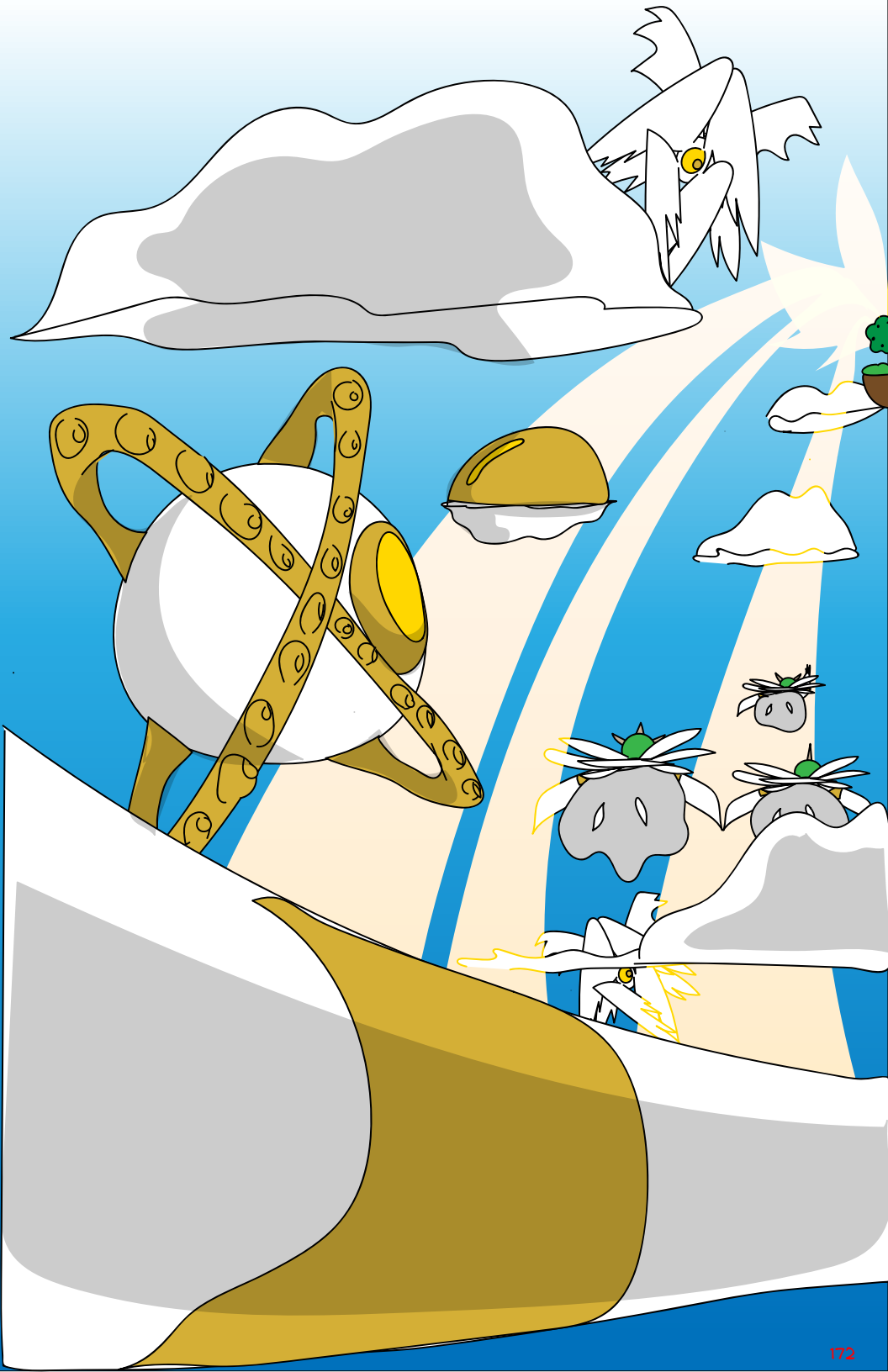
YES! THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I'LL DO. THE TRINITY WILL HAVE TO LET YOU COME.

I'LL GO PETITION THE TRINITY NOW.

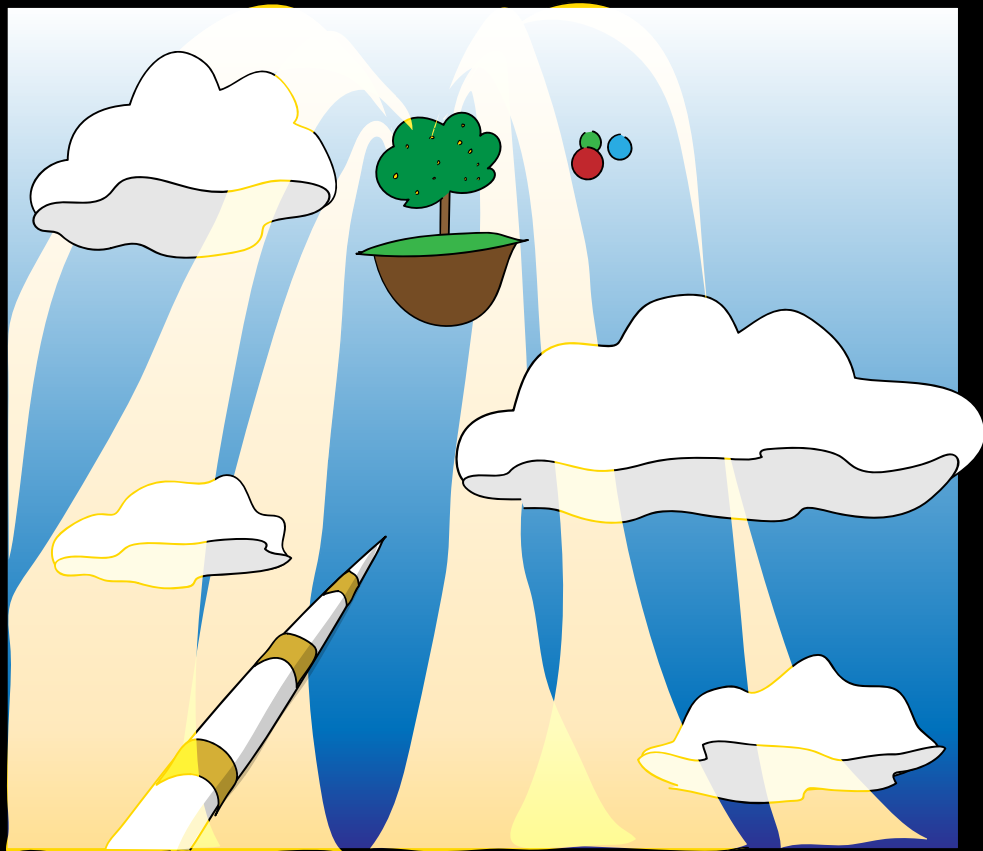










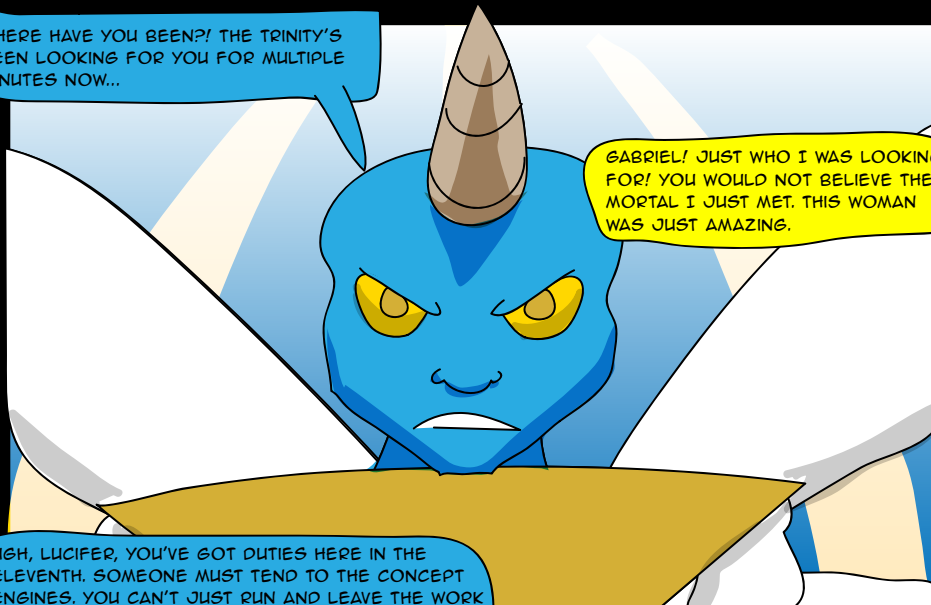


ANASTASIA! I MET A MORTAL WOMAN TODAY!

OH YEAH? I DOUBT GABRIEL IS GOING TO BE HAPPY TO HEAR THAT.

AWW, WHAT? HE'S GONNA BE SO HAPPY FOR ME! I'LL SEE YOU LATER, I GOTTA GO TELL THE TRINITY WHAT I SAW.

I WISH I COULD LET MYSELF BE THAT DELUSIONAL.



WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?! THE TRINITY'S BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU FOR MULTIPLE MINUTES NOW...

GABRIEL! JUST WHO I WAS LOOKING FOR! YOU WOULD NOT BELIEVE THE MORTAL I JUST MET. THIS WOMAN WAS JUST AMAZING.

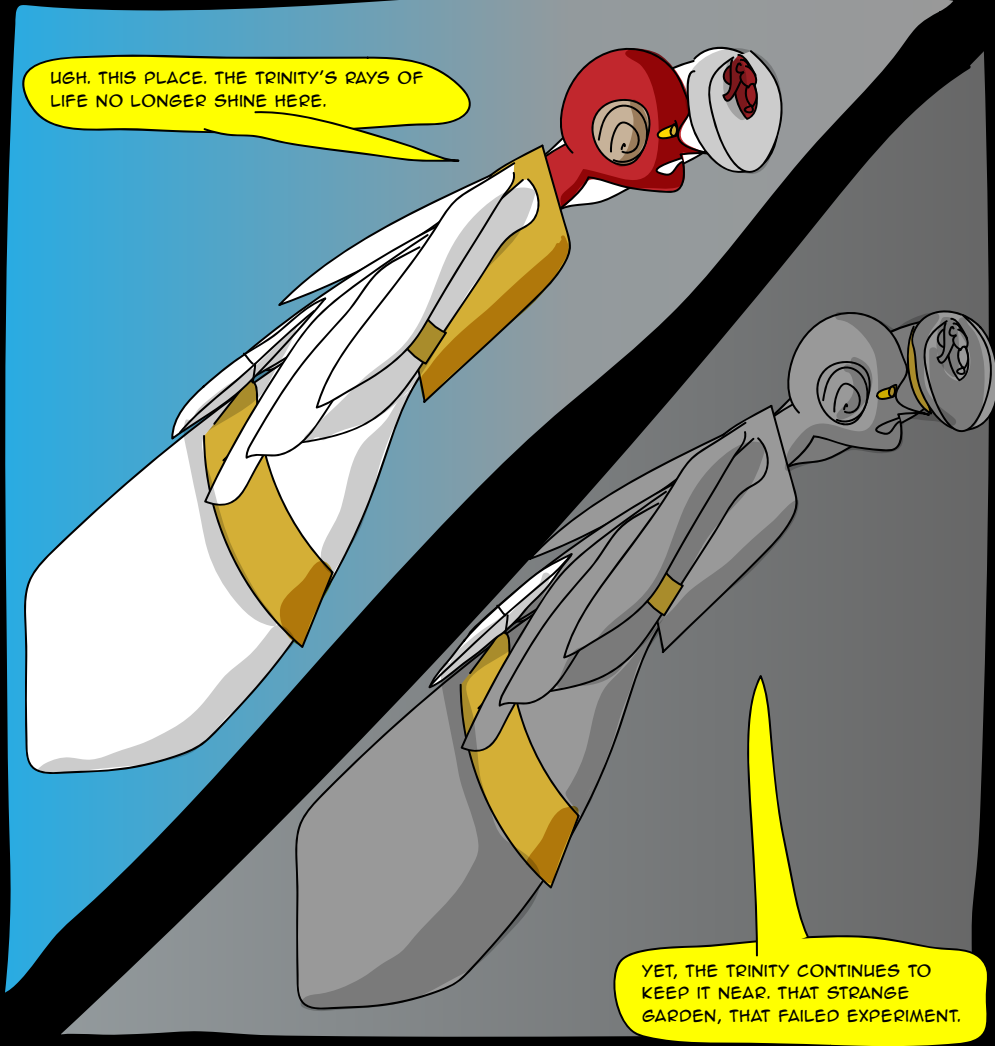
UGH, LUCIFER, YOU'VE GOT DUTIES HERE IN THE ELEVENTH. SOMEONE MUST TEND TO THE CONCEPT ENGINES. YOU CAN'T JUST RUN AND LEAVE THE WORK BECAUSE SOME MORTAL FLIPS HER HAIR AT YOU.

YOU DIDN'T SEE HER AS I DID GABRIEL, SHE WAS EVERYTHING.

YOU LIVE IN THE CLOUD KINGDOM AMONGST THOSE WHO CARE FOR AND LOVE YOU! WHAT MORE COULD YOU WANT?!

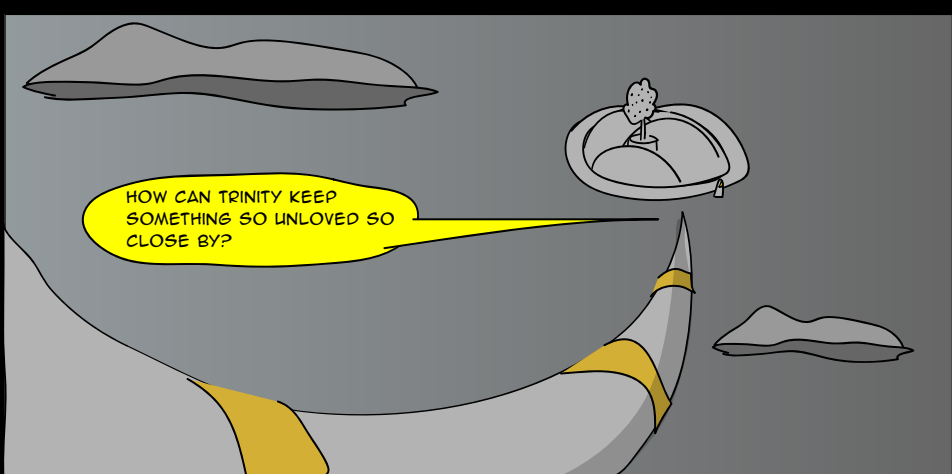
THIS IS THE KIND OF GLUTTONY AND GREED MORTALS WILL WRITE BOOKS ABOUT.

AFTER A DAY LIKE TODAY, I JUST MIGHT READ THAT BOOK!



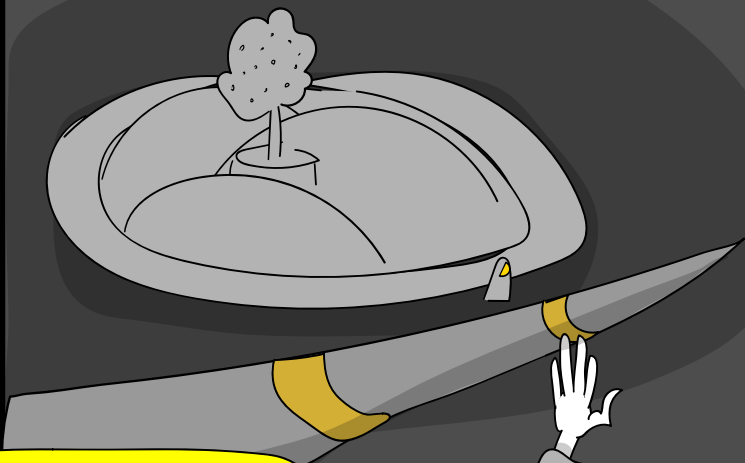
UGH. THIS PLACE. THE TRINITY'S RAYS OF LIFE NO LONGER SHINE HERE.

YET, THE TRINITY CONTINUES TO KEEP IT NEAR. THAT STRANGE GARDEN, THAT FAILED EXPERIMENT.

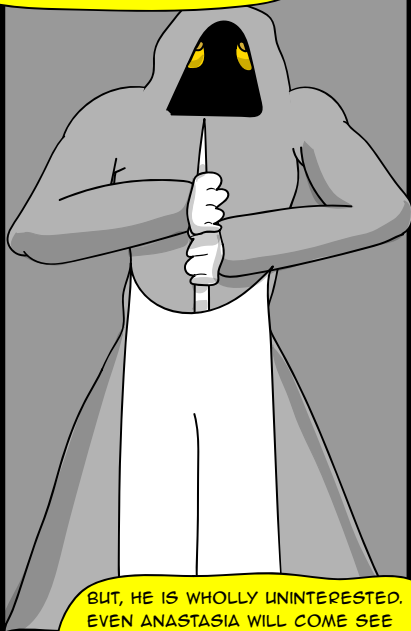


HOW CAN TRINITY KEEP SOMETHING SO UNLOVED SO CLOSE BY?

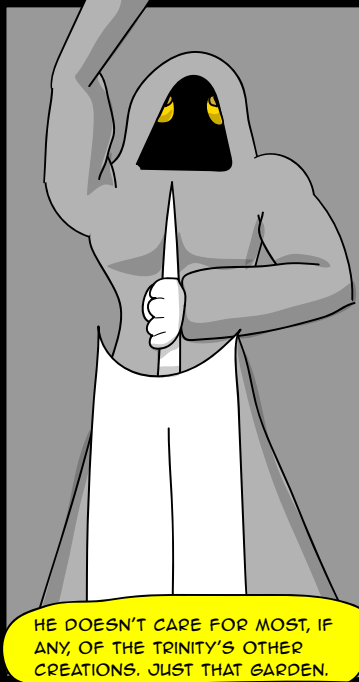
AND ITS KEEPER IS NO LESS CALMING.  
URIEL, THE SCALEBACK DIETY.



HE'S DIFFERENT. KIND, BUT  
DIFFERENT. I'VE INVITED HIM TO THE  
OTHER DIMENSIONS MANY TIMES.



BUT, HE IS WHOLLY UNINTERESTED.  
EVEN ANASTASIA WILL COME SEE  
THE SIGHTS FROM TIME TO TIME.



HE DOESN'T CARE FOR MOST, IF  
ANY, OF THE TRINITY'S OTHER  
CREATIONS. JUST THAT GARDEN.

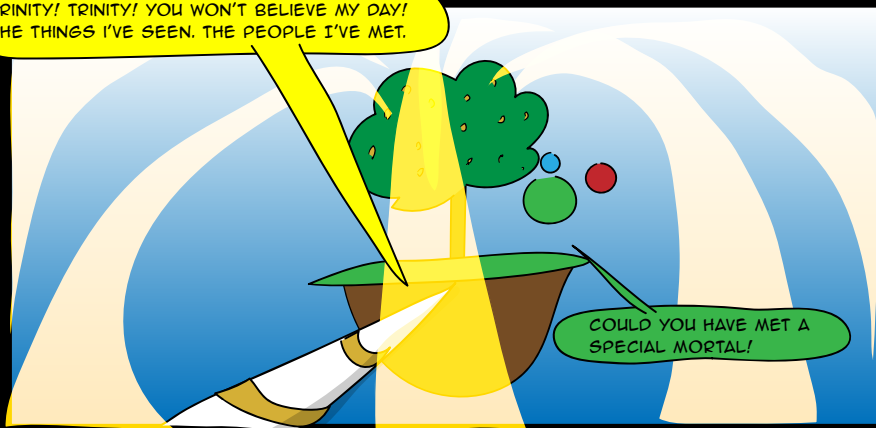
OH, TRINITY, HE'S WAVING AT ME.



THAT GUY JUST FREAKS ME OUT...



TRINITY! TRINITY! YOU WON'T BELIEVE MY DAY!  
THE THINGS I'VE SEEN. THE PEOPLE I'VE MET.



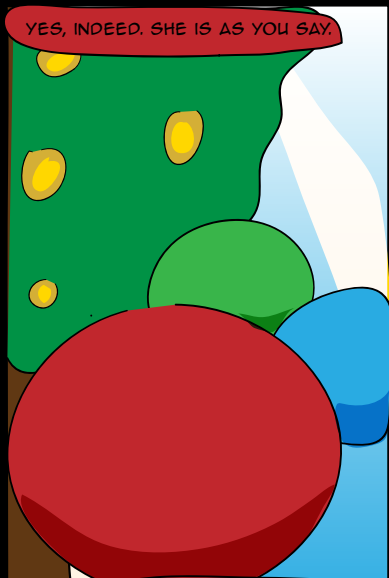
COULD YOU HAVE MET A  
SPECIAL MORTAL!

I SUPPOSE I SHOULD'VE KNOWN YOU  
WOULD'VE GUESSED.

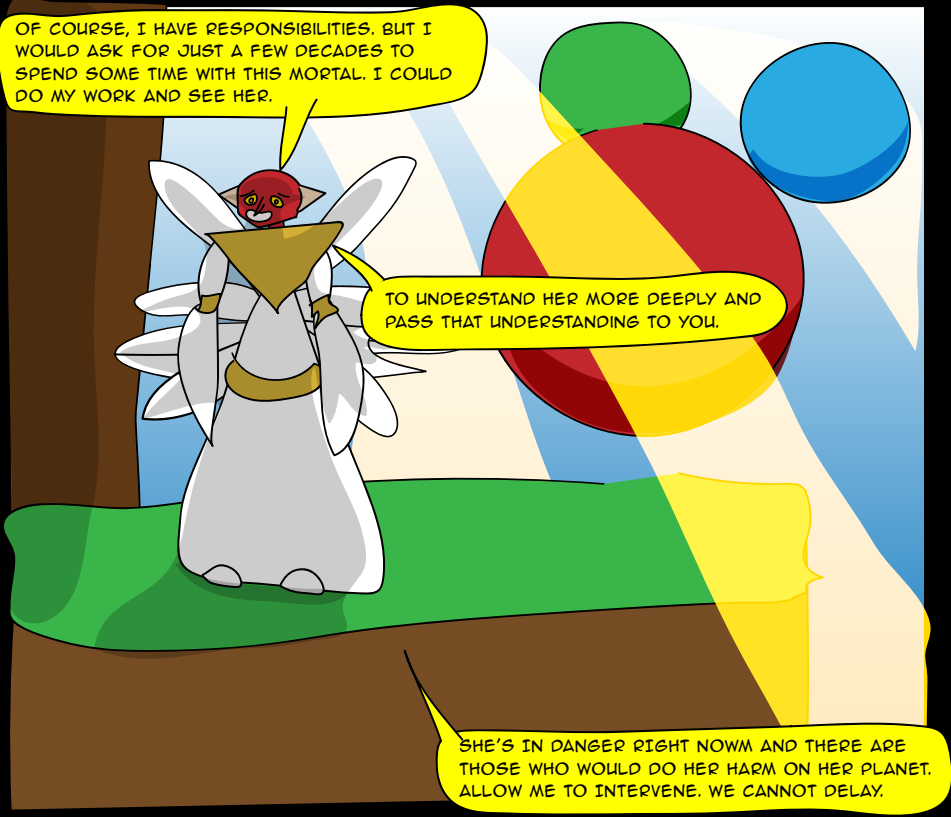


THIS MORTAL IS EVERYTHING, TRINITY. SHE'S  
BEAUTIFUL. POWERFUL. SHE'S DIFFERENT  
FROM ALL THE OTHER ONES. SHE  
BELONGS HERE WITH US.

YES, INDEED. SHE IS AS YOU SAY.



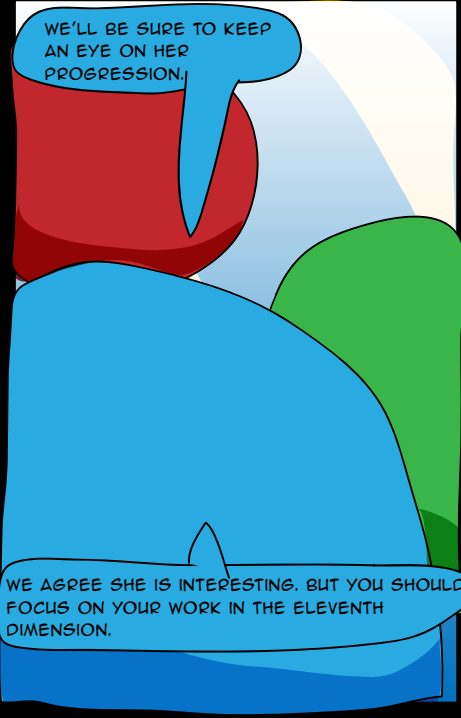
BUT DO YOU NOT CONSIDER YOUR WORK IN  
THE ELEVENTH DIMENSION AS SPECIAL? YOU  
ARE ALSO SPECIAL HERE. I, IN THE TWELFTH  
DIMENSION, NEED YOUR SUPPORT.



OF COURSE, I HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES. BUT I WOULD ASK FOR JUST A FEW DECADES TO SPEND SOME TIME WITH THIS MORTAL. I COULD DO MY WORK AND SEE HER.

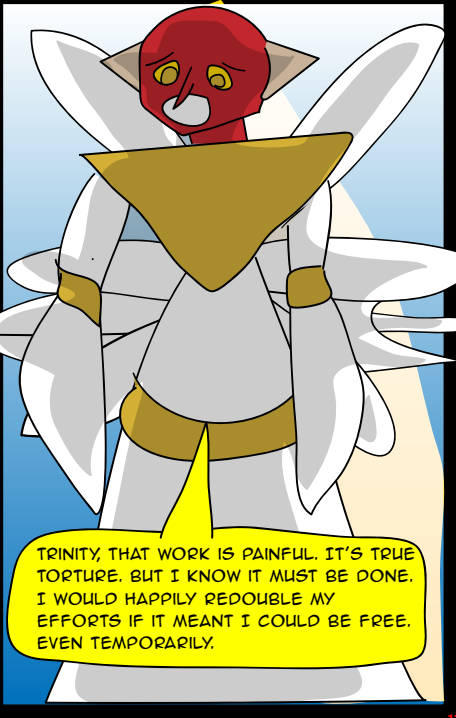
TO UNDERSTAND HER MORE DEEPLY AND PASS THAT UNDERSTANDING TO YOU.

SHE'S IN DANGER RIGHT NOW AND THERE ARE THOSE WHO WOULD DO HER HARM ON HER PLANET. ALLOW ME TO INTERVENE. WE CANNOT DELAY.



WE'LL BE SURE TO KEEP AN EYE ON HER PROGRESSION.

WE AGREE SHE IS INTERESTING. BUT YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON YOUR WORK IN THE ELEVENTH DIMENSION.



TRINITY, THAT WORK IS PAINFUL. IT'S TRUE TORTURE. BUT I KNOW IT MUST BE DONE. I WOULD HAPPILY REDOUBLE MY EFFORTS IF IT MEANT I COULD BE FREE. EVEN TEMPORARILY.

FREE? BUT YOU'RE NOT FREE  
YET. YOU'RE HERE TO DO THE  
WORK WE TELL YOU.

YES, INDEED. THERE IS MUCH TO  
BE DONE IN THE ELEVENTH  
DIMENSION.

I MUST AGREE, THERE IS  
STILL MUCH MORE  
UNDERSTANDING TO BE  
GAINED. HE'S LOST FOCUS  
IN A WAY THAT CAN'T BE  
REGAINED.

HMM. PERHAPS  
HE HAS LOST  
FOCUS.

I AM TRINITY'S BEST ANGEL. I HAVE DONE IT ALL,  
EVERYTHING IT HAS ASKED ME, FOR CENTURIES.  
FOR EONS. I'VE NEVER ASKED FOR ANYTHING.  
JUST SOME TIME AWAY FROM THOSE INFERNAL  
ENGINES. AND-AND-

LUCIFER IS OUR BEST  
ANGEL. BUT CANNOT  
FOCUS ON ASSIGNED  
TASKS, PERHAPS A BAN  
SHOULD BE IN PLACE.

YES, HENCEFORTH YOU ARE  
BANNED FROM THE THIRD  
DIMENSION. UNTIL SUCH A TIME WE  
DEEM IT APPROPRIATE FOR YOU TO  
RETURN. NOTHING TOO LONG, I'M  
SURE A THOUSAND YEARS WILL BE  
ENOUGH TIME.

AND JUST THINK OF ALL THE  
WORK YOU COULD GET DONE  
IN THE ELEVENTH. THERE'S SO  
MUCH WE STILL DON'T KNOW  
ABOUT THAT DIMENSION.

BANNED? I GAVE HER MY WORD I'D RETURN!  
SHE'S SURROUNDED BY ENEMIES! SHE'LL DIE  
BEFORE I'M FREED. SHE IS YOUR CHILD, SHE HAS  
YOUR SOUL. YOU CANNOT FORSAKE HER LIKE  
THIS. YOU CAN'T FORSAKE ME!

YOU AREN'T BEING FORSAKEN,  
YOU'RE BEING FOCUSED. IF THIS  
ONE PASSES ON, WE WILL  
MOURN HER.

IF SHE PASSES ON, IT  
WAS HER TIME.

IN TRUTH, WE WILL ENJOY SEEING  
HOW MORTALS INTERACT WITH  
SOMEONE LIKE HER AND VICE VERSA.  
THIS WILL PROVIDE UNDERSTANDING.

EVEN IF SHE'S BRUTALIZED BY THE MORTALS  
YOU SURROUND HER WITH? THE ONES WHO  
FEAR THAT WHICH THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND? THE  
ONES YOU MADE THAT WAY?

THEN SHE WILL DIE, AND HER SOUL  
WILL FIND A NEW BODY. AND SHE  
WILL LIVE A NEW LIFE.

AS IT SHOULD BE.

AS IT SHOULD BE.

AS IT SHOULD BE.

PERHAPS, I WAS BLIND.

PERHAPS, I DID  
NOT WANT TO SEE.

TRINITY IS LEADING CREATION NOWHERE. NO VISION  
FOR ANYTHING GREATER, JUST THE NEXT CREATION.

AND WHO SUFFERS FOR THAT?  
NEVER THE TRINITY.

LIVES MADE UP OF MULTIDIMENSIONAL  
TORTURE. ALL FOR SOME  
"UNDERSTANDING" OR "KNOWLEDGE".

THE TRINITY DOESN'T UNDERSTAND ITS  
CREATIONS AT ALL.

WELL, I WILL SUFFER NO LONGER...AND  
I WILL NOT BREAK MY PROMISE.

RANK: PRINCE  
ROLE: LEADER  
ELEMENT: FIRE  
CATALYST: EDEN (LONG  
SWORD)

ARMOR IS STAINED  
RED AS A RESULT  
OF AN EXPLOSIVE  
AWAKENING WHEN  
FIRST EQUIPPING  
HIS HARDLIGHT  
ARMOR.

# STRANGER

PRINCE OF ALL STARBORN

AGE:  
25 (MENTALLY AND BY DESIGN)  
2 (CHRONOLOGICALLY)

DATE OF MATERIALIZATION: AUGUST 9TH

HEIGHT: 7' 7" (NO ARMOR)

PERSONALITY:  
STRANGER IS A KIND-HEARTED  
YOUNG MAN WHO WANTS TO  
SEE THE PEOPLE AROUND HIM  
SMILE.

LOVES SLEEPING, HATES  
DREAMING.

HAIR IS SUPPOSED TO LOOK  
LIKE A CANDLESTICK.

"TAKE HEART, AND KNOW  
YOU HAVE MY SUPPORT."

RANK: GENERAL  
ROLE: FRONT LINE FIGHTER  
ELEMENT: LIGHTNING  
CATALYST: TSARKA (TRIDENT)

# QUEEN

THE STRONGEST STARBORN

THE TALLEST  
STARBORN WITH  
AND WITHOUT HER  
ARMOR.

SHE IS QUEEN IN BOTH  
NAME AND TITLE. BUT  
SHE IS NOT TRUE  
STARBORN ROYALTY, AS  
QUEEN IS A GENERAL.

AGE: 125  
DATE OF BIRTH: JUNE 28TH  
HEIGHT: 8' (NO ARMOR)

PERSONALITY:  
QUEEN IS A STRONG-WILLED  
WOMAN WHO LOVES TO FIGHT.  
THE FAILURES OF HER PAST DO  
HAVE A WAY OF SPOILING HER  
ABILITY TO ENJOY LIFE IN THE  
MOMENT.

QUEEN COVERS  
HERSELF IN A  
HARDLIGHT  
BARRIER WHEN  
NOT WEARING  
HER ARMOR TO  
ALWAYS REMAIN  
AS DEFENDED  
AS POSSIBLE

OFTEN SEEN  
STARING OFF  
INTO SPACE AT...  
SOMETHING.

"I, THE QUEEN OF THE  
THUNDERDOME, WILL USHER YOUR  
SOUL TOWARDS ITS NEXT LIFE. IT'S  
AN HONOR, BE GRATEFUL"

RANK: STAR KNIGHT  
ROLE: ROYAL SUPPORT  
ELEMENT: HARSH STARLIGHT  
CATALYST: RAGZA  
(EXECUTIONER'S SWORD)

WANTS TO BE PRINCE  
STRANGER'S BEST  
FRIEND. DOESN'T  
KNOW HE ALREADY IS.

GROWING UP, PHLO WAS  
THOUGHT TO BE WEAK BY OTHER  
STARBORN BECAUSE HE COULD  
ONLY PRODUCE BRIGHT LIGHTS.  
HIS TRUE POWER WAS ONLY  
DISCOVERED WHEN A DEMON  
WAS CAUGHT BY HIS RAYS.

# PHLO

THE BRIGHT KNIGHT

AGE: 27  
DATE OF BIRTH: OCTOBER 4TH  
HEIGHT: 7' (NO ARMOR)

PERSONALITY:  
PHLO IS A LOYAL YOUNG KNIGHT.  
BORN A WEAK STARBORN FROM A  
CRUEL PLANET, PHLO HAS SHAPED  
HIS LIFE AROUND THE TEACHINGS  
OF THE THREE PRINCESSES. HE  
FOUND HIS STRENGTH IN  
PROTECTING THE WEAK AND  
DEFENDING THE INNOCENT.

DEEPLY LOYAL TO STARBORN  
ROYALTY. HE LIVES UNDER THE  
IMPRESSION THAT ALL OF THEM  
ARE AS KIND AS STRANGER AND  
THE THREE PRINCESSES.

"I KNOW THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT,  
FOR I WILL HELP LIGHT IT"





RANK: STAR KNIGHT  
ROLE: ASSASSIN  
ELEMENT: SOLAR WIND  
CATALYST: ZABAZ (DAGGER)

WANTED TO BE A PRINCESS  
WHEN SHE WAS YOUNGER.

HER OWN PARENTS DIDN'T  
CARE FOR HER. SHE REMAINS  
LOYAL TO THE ONLY FAMILY  
THAT REMAINS, HER BROTHER.

ENJOYS CAUSING  
PAIN TO HER  
ENEMIES.

# ZODA

THE CRUELEST CUT

AGE: 28  
DATE OF BIRTH: JULY 2ND  
HEIGHT: 7' (NO ARMOR)

PERSONALITY:  
ZODA IS A COLD-HEARTED WOMAN.  
THE POPULATION OF HER  
HOMEWORLD HATED HER AND HER  
BROTHER FOR TAKING THEIR STAR  
AND CAUSING THEM TO HAVE TO  
RELOCATE. A BRIGHT YOUNG CHILD  
HAD THEIR SMILE TAKEN FROM THEM.  
THOUGH SHE'S SINCE STARTED  
SMILING MORE SINCE JOINING  
STRANGER'S ARMY.

MOST OF HER COMBAT  
TECHNIQUES ARE MEANT TO  
BE PERFORMED IN TANDEM  
WITH HER BROTHER.

"I AM GOING TO SKIN  
YOU LIKE AN ANIMAL AND  
FEED YOUR CARCASS TO  
THE STARS."



RANK: STAR KNIGHT  
ROLE: ASSASSIN  
ELEMENT: SOLAR WIND  
CATALYST: ZABAZ (DAGGER)

THE NAME OF HIS CATALYST IS  
SPELLED BACKWARDS.

CAN FIND HIS SISTER  
ANYWHERE.

HAS VERY LONG  
HAIR.

ENJOYS SNEAKING UP  
ON HIS ENEMIES.

# FULLMAROO

## THE SNEAKIEST STRIKE

### PERSONALITY:

FULL IS A SNEAKY AND CALCULATING MAN. NEGATIVE EXPERIENCES FROM HIS CHILDHOOD LED HIM TO BE UNTRUSTING TOWARDS OTHER PEOPLE. HE'S USUALLY GOT AN ESCAPE PLAN OF SOME SORT FOR ANY SITUATION HE FINDS HIMSELF IN. HE'S HAD TO ESCAPE LESS AND LESS WITH THE SUPPORT OF STRANGER'S ARMY.

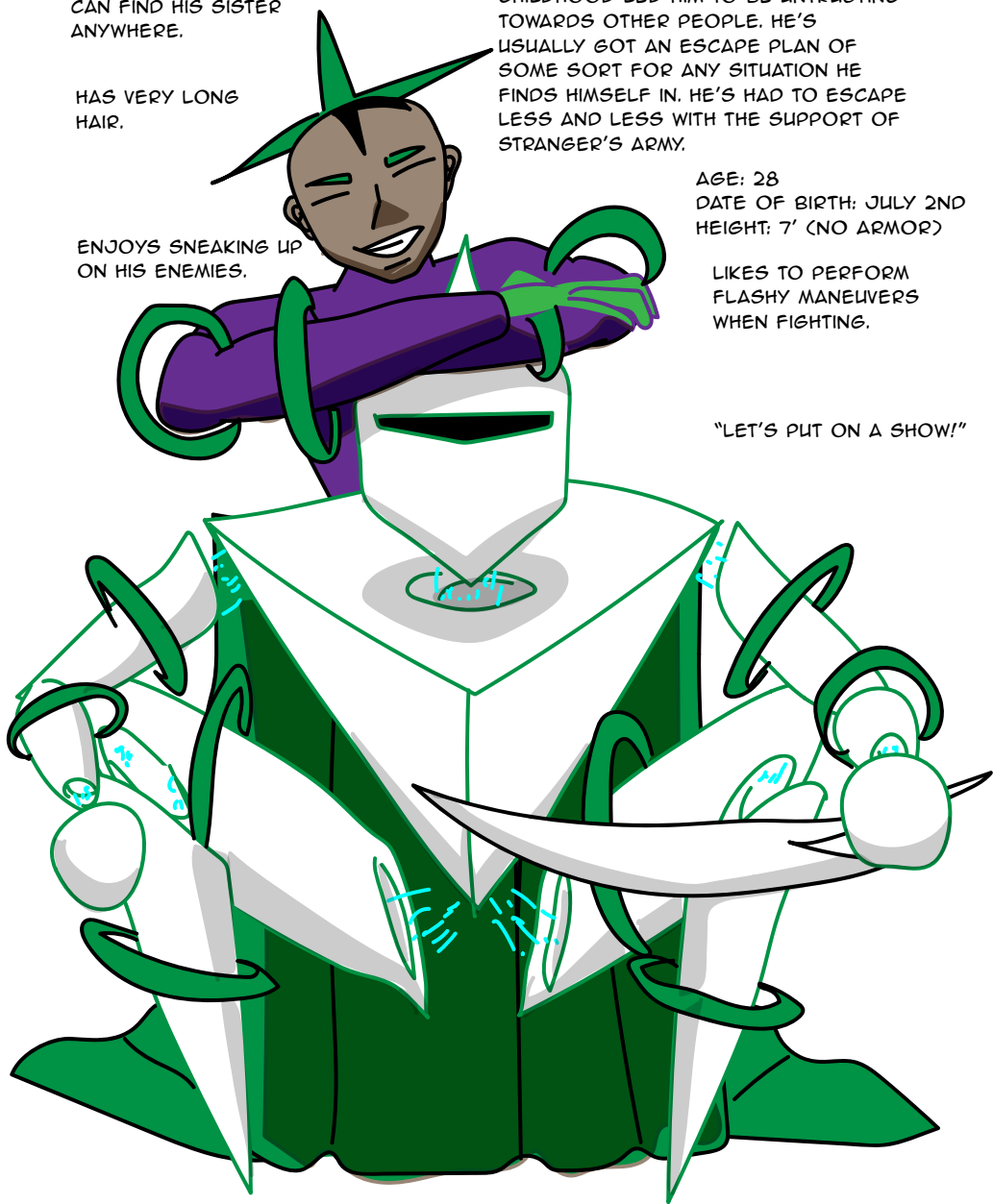
AGE: 28

DATE OF BIRTH: JULY 2ND

HEIGHT: 7' (NO ARMOR)

LIKES TO PERFORM  
FLASHY MANEUVERS  
WHEN FIGHTING.

"LET'S PUT ON A SHOW!"



# LUCIFER

THE DEVIL HIMSELF

## PERSONALITY:

LUCIFER, NOW SATAN, IS A FALLEN ANGEL. HE WAS ONCE THE TRINITY'S MOST LOYAL AND POWERFUL ANGEL. WHEN HIS REQUESTS WERE SPURNED BY THE TRINITY HIS TRUE, MORE HATEFUL FEELINGS FOR THE GOD OF CREATION BUBBLED UP TO THE SURFACE.

AGE: ???

DATE OF CREATION: ???

HEIGHT: 8'

LOVES HIS WIFE AND CHILD.

HATES THE TRINITY.

SPENDS HIS DAYS WATCHING UNIVERSAL TELEVISION AND LIVE FEEDS FROM THE DEMONS ACROSS CREATION.

HAD TO ASSUME A DEFENSIVE SHELL TO SURVIVE IN HELL.



"NOW THAT IS SOME GOOD TV!"

# BLASPHEMA

FIRST OF THE WITCH QUEENS

## PERSONALITY:

LILITH, NOW BLASPHEMA, IS A KIND WOMAN AT HER CORE. THOUGH HER WANTS AND NEEDS MAY BE NORMAL, THE POWERS SHE POSSESSES ARE NOT. OSTRACIZED BY THOSE ON HER HOMEWORLD BLASPHEMA HAS SET OUT WITH SATAN TO CREATE A BETTER VISION OF CREATION. ONE WHERE SHE FITS IN MORE CLEARLY.

LOVES BEING AROUND PEOPLE.

HAS VAST AND IMMENSE POWERS, BUT RELATIVELY LITTLE CONTROL OF THEM.

TREASURES THE DEVIL HIMSELF AND ALL HE'S GIVEN HER.

IS NOW COVERED IN A DARK GREY METAL CALLED "THE DEVIL'S SKIN".



"OH LUCIFER, YOU'VE SHOWN ME SO MANY BEAUTIFUL THINGS. THERE'S NO WHERE YOU'D GO THAT I WOULDN'T FOLLOW."

# YXRA

## PERSONALITY:

YXRA IS ONE OF THE MOST HATEFUL PEOPLE IN CREATION. THERE IS VERY LITTLE SHE CARES FOR BEYOND HER LATE FALLEN ANGEL, SAMTIEL. MANY WITCHES WERE TRICKED INTO SERVICE AND THE WANTON DESTRUCTION THAT CAME WITH IT. YXRA IS NOT ONE OF THEM.

## THE FALSE ANGEL

PREFERS THE SCREAMS OF THE INNOCENT TO MOST NOISES.

HAS DESTROYED TACTICALLY IMPORTANT PLANETS AND SYSTEMS ON A WHIM. SOMETIMES FOR A LAUGH

AGENT OF CHAOS.

TARGETS ACTORS.

YXRA PERSONALLY CREATES A MAJORITY OF THE INTERGALACTIC TRANSPORT DEMONS.

THE DEMONS SHE CREATES OFTEN HAVE A HIGHER LEVEL OF CONSCIOUSNESS COMPARED TO OTHER WITCHES. SHE DOES THIS FOR PURELY CRUEL REASONS.

WHEN SAMTIEL WAS KILLED FIGHTING STARBORN, A MAJORITY OF HIS POWER FLOWED INTO HER BODY SO SHE COULD ESCAPE. THIS GOLDEN BLOOD TRANSFUSION GIVES HER ACCESS TO WITCH ABILITIES AND FALLEN ANGEL ABILITIES.

"I WANT YOU BROKEN. THEN I WANT YOU TO DIE."

