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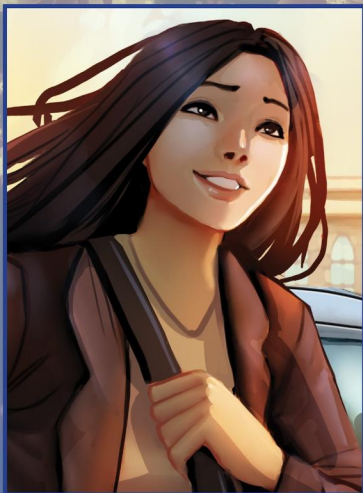
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DAN LINCOLN WAS A BRIGHT
YOUNG GRAD STUDENT AND A
GIFTED WRITER...

DETERMINED TO CRAFT THE
NEXT GREAT AMERICAN
NOVEL,

WHEN THEY FIRST MET,
SPARKS FLEW.



IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE THEIR
"TUTORING SESSIONS" TURNED
INTO SOMETHING ELSE...



CATHY GRANT WAS A COLLEGE
FREEMAN, ON HER OWN AND
CUTTING LOOSE FOR THE FIRST
TIME IN HER SHELTERED LIFE.

AND WHEN THEIR FLING TURNED
INTO SOMETHING DEEPER...



THEY FOUND THEMSELVES
FACING A NEW CHALLENGE --
TOGETHER.

BUT FOR ALL THE FEAR THAT COMES WITH A
SHOTGUN WEDDING, DAN AND CATHY WERE HAPPY.



THEY BELIEVED IN EACH OTHER.
WHATEVER CAME NEXT...

THEY COULD FACE IT TOGETHER.

BUT 6 YEARS AND TWO KIDS LATER,
THE MAGIC STARTED TO FADE.

ROUTINE REPLACED ROMANCE.

RESPONSIBILITY

DAN STARTED *TEACHING* HIGH
SCHOOL ENGLISH --

AND SPENT MORE TIME
GRINDING AWAY AT RPES THAN
WRITING HIS NOVEL.

CATHY ENDED UP IN THE
ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY --

COURTING CLIENTS AND
MANAGING A TEAM OF WEB
DESIGNERS AND ENGINEERS.

THE MORE THEY DRIFTED, THE
MORE TEMPTATION GROOMED.

BUT THEY LOVED EACH OTHER.

THEY DIDN'T WANT TO FEEL THIS
RESENTMENT

THEY BOTH WANTED TO FEEL
CLOSER...

THEY WOULD BECOME *SWINGERS*

THEY WANTED TO FEEL
THE HEAT AGAIN.

AND CATHY HAD A PLAN TO PUT
THE SPICE BACK INTO THEIR
MARRIAGE.

I THINK I'D LIKE
TO TRY THAT.



THEY MADE RULES. THEY RESPECTED EACH OTHER'S BOUNDARIES.

AND AT FIRST, MERELY ENTERTAINING THE IDEA SEEMED TO BRING BACK THE OLD EXCITEMENT.

BUT DAN WAS SKEPTICAL AND INSECURE.

CATHY WAS PATIENT...

WHAT THE FUCK?



BUT SHE WORRIED THEIR MARRIAGE WAS ENDING BEFORE THEY COULD EVEN TRY OPENING IT UP.

SHE CONFIDED IN AN OLD FRIEND...



SO WITH DEBBIE'S HELP, CATHY HATCHED A PLAN.

NO STRANGERS, NO SPECIAL CLUBS --

JUST GOOD OLD-FASHIONED SEDUCTION.



IT WAS FAR FROM TRADITIONAL, BUT IT WORKED.

HERE WAS SOMETHING NEW, AND DAN AND CATHY LOVED IT.

AND LOVED EACH OTHER MORE FOR IT.

THE ONLY WORRY WAS --

COULD THEY KEEP IT UP?

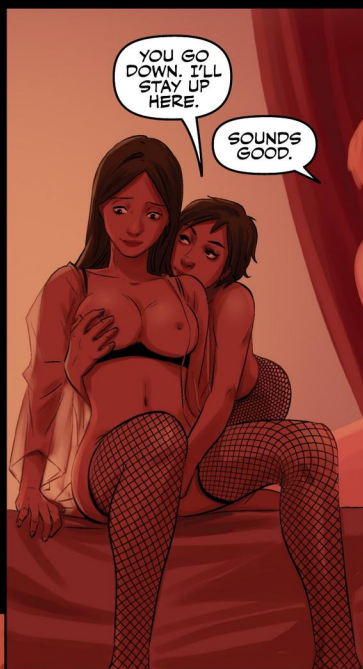
WOMAN
WATCHING MY HUSBAND
WITH ANOTHER WOMAN
KIND OF TURNS ME ON.

THAT'S CALLED
COMPERSON.

IT'S THE
OPPOSITE OF
JEALOUSY.

IT MEANS TO FEEL JOY
AND EXCITEMENT
WATCHING SOMEONE YOU
LOVE FEEL PLEASURE...
EVEN WHEN IT'S WITH
SOMEONE ELSE.





I DON'T THINK I'M BISEXUAL,
BUT I'M TRYING TO KEEP AN
OPEN MIND AND FULLY EXPLORE
MY SEXUALITY...BUT DAN AND I
DON'T SEEM TO BE IN SYNC
WITH IT ALL YET.



HE SEEMS
TO LIKE THIS,
THOUGH.



DOCKWEILER BEACH
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

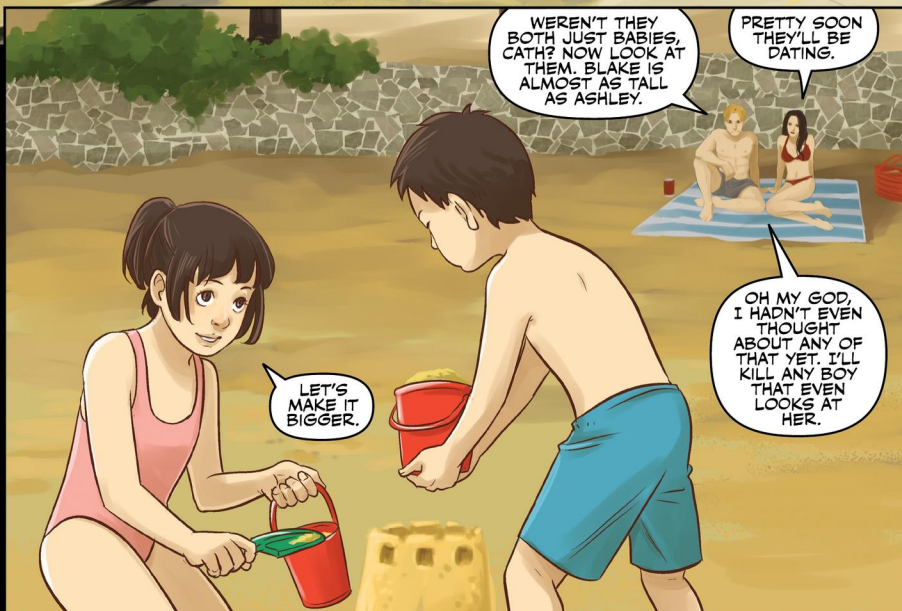
I'M TWENTY-EIGHT
YEARS OLD AND DAN
IS THE ONLY MAN I'VE
HAD SEX WITH.

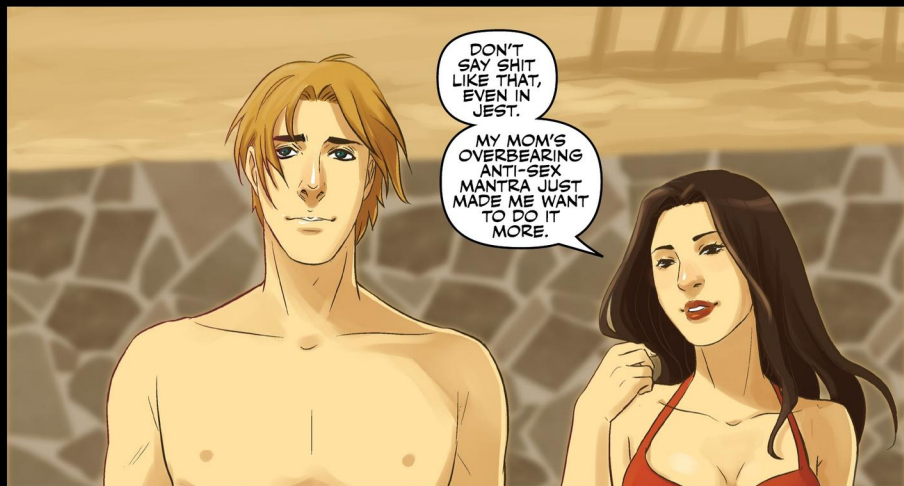
MOST OF MY GIRLFRIENDS AREN'T
EVEN MARRIED YET AND HAVE HAD
MORE SEXUAL PARTNERS IN THE
LAST MONTH THAN I'VE EVER HAD.

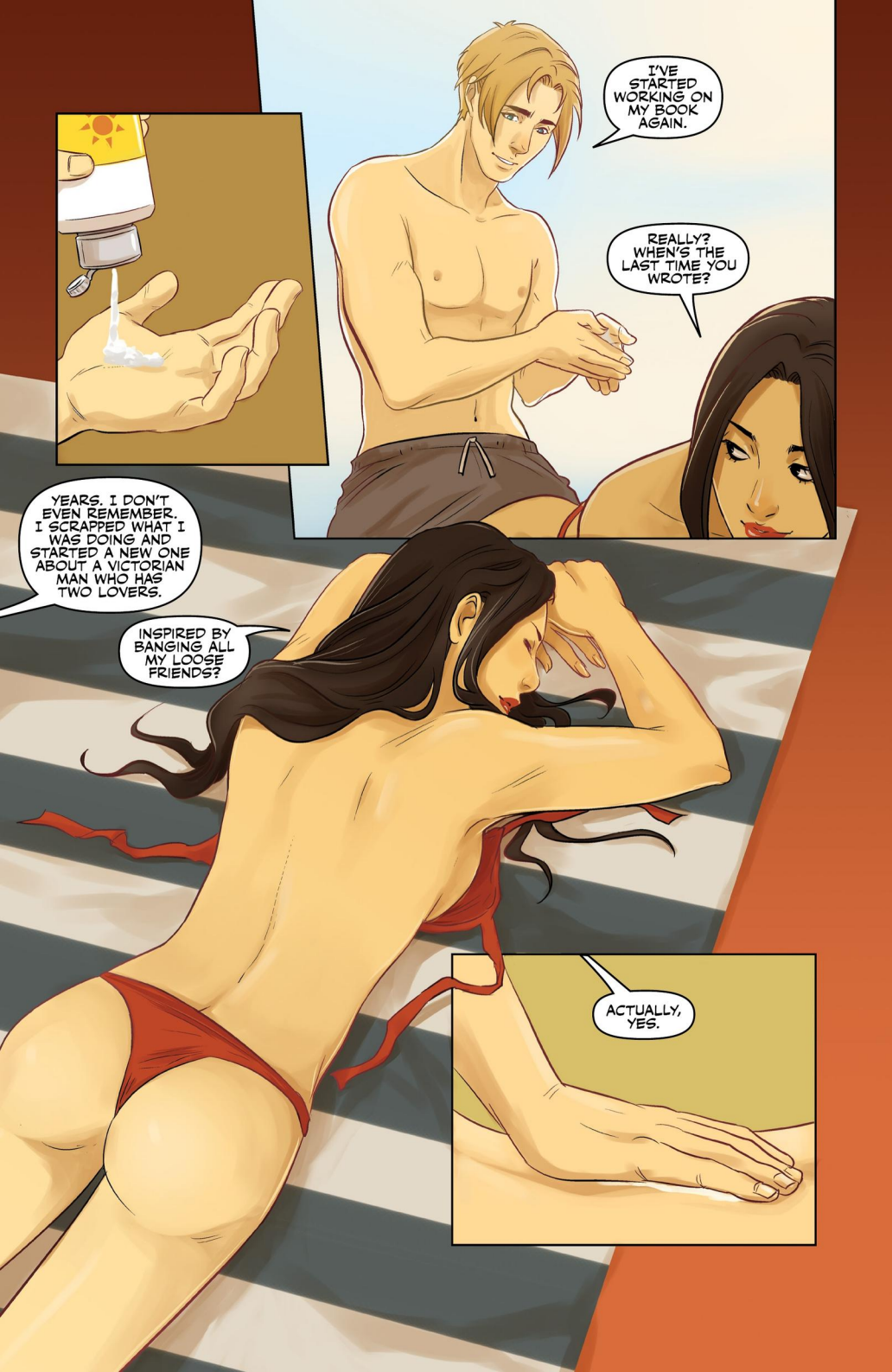
AFTER TWO KIDS AND EIGHT YEARS
OF MARRIAGE, I WANTED TO SPICE
UP OUR SEX LIFE, SO I CONVINCED
DAN WE SHOULD TRY THIS.

SWINGING, ETHICAL NON-MONOGRAMY,
LIFESTYLE...WHATEVER YOU WANT TO
CALL IT...IT'S HAVING SEX WITH OTHER
PEOPLE WITHOUT CHEATING.

WE'RE TAKING IT SLOW
AND DISCOVERING OUR
BOUNDARIES.







I'VE
STARTED
WORKING
ON
MY BOOK
AGAIN.

REALLY?
WHEN'S THE
LAST TIME YOU
WROTE?

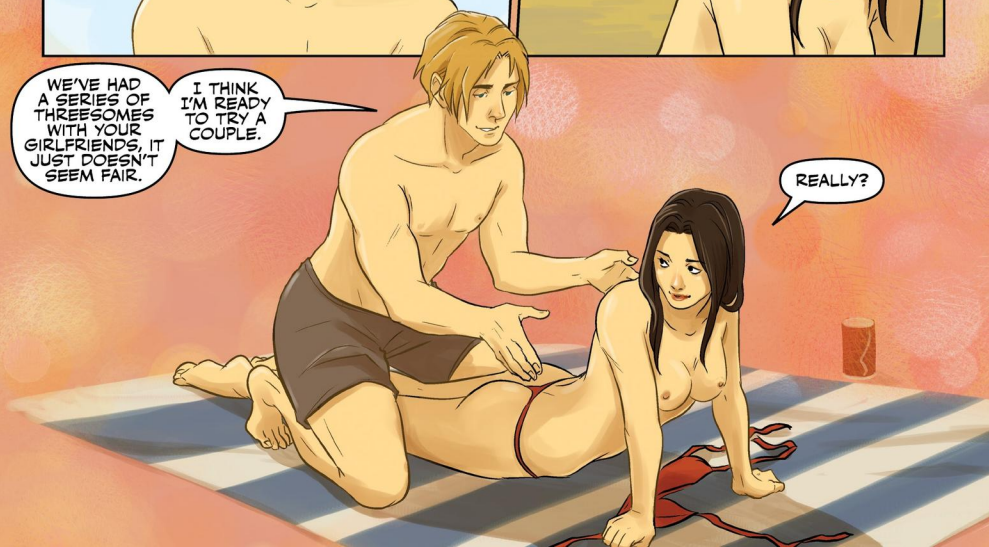
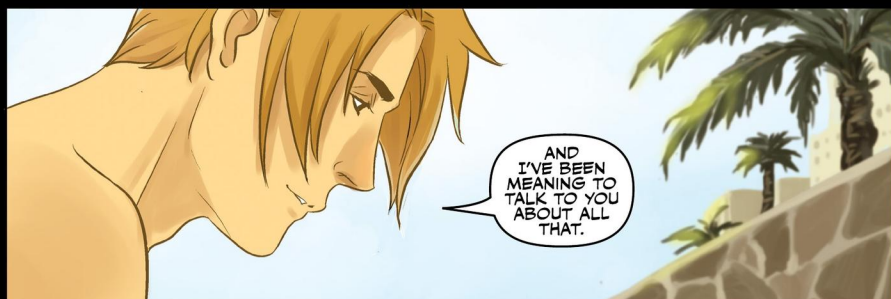


YEARS. I DON'T
EVEN REMEMBER.
I SCRAPPED WHAT I
WAS DOING AND
STARTED A NEW ONE
ABOUT A VICTORIAN
MAN WHO HAS
TWO LOVERS.

INSPIRED BY
BANGING ALL
MY LOOSE
FRIENDS?



ACTUALLY,
YES.





Rules

- 1) We only play together, never separately.
- 2) No exchanging of contact information other than the joint email and messaging app we'll be using.
- 3) No taking one for the team. Both of us need to be attracted to the other person.
- 4) No monster cock dudes.
- 5) Transparency and honesty in all things.
- 6) Condoms for any penetration (unless it's us, of course).
- 7) If either of us isn't into it at any point (even mid-sex) we stop and leave and promise not to be mad about it.
- 8) I'll do the online chatting to vet people, but I'll pretend to be you.
- 9) The goal is variety, so let's limit the number of times we hook up with the same couple to prevent possible emotional attachment.
- 10) No individual outside contact of any kind with people we've played with.

We always do our communication together. If this happens by accident (one of us runs into a play partner at the grocery store) we tell the other immediately.



THE IDEA OF CATHY HAVING SEX WITH OTHER MEN TERRIFIES ME.



I LIKED THAT I WAS THE ONLY GUY SHE'D BEEN WITH, BUT SHE WAS LUCKY NUMBER THIRTEEN FOR ME...SO I GET IT.

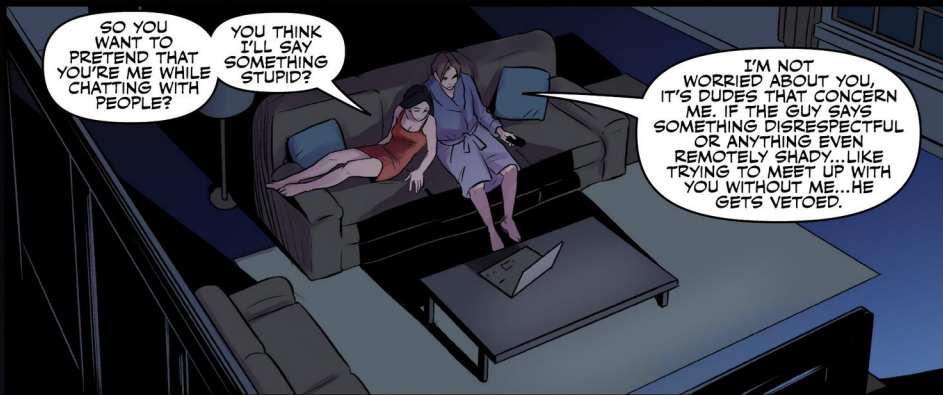
I AM REALLY TORN ABOUT DOING THIS, BUT IF I DON'T AT LEAST TRY SHE MIGHT RESENT ME FOR IT, NOW THAT WE'VE HAD THREESOMES WITH SOME OF HER FRIENDS.

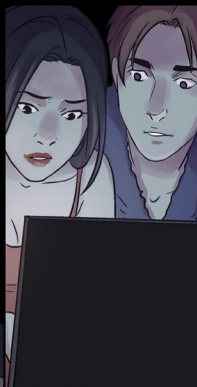


I REALLY DON'T WANT MY PARENTS FINDING OUT ABOUT THIS. THEY LOVE CATHY AND THEY'D PROBABLY JUST ROLL THEIR EYES AT MY DOING THIS...BUT I THINK THEY'D LIKE HER LESS IF THEY FOUND OUT.



I KNOW I SHOULD BE MORE OPEN WITH HER ABOUT MY FEARS, BUT I THINK WITH THE BOUNDARIES WE'LL BE FINE. WE KEEP OUR REAL LIVES SEPARATE FROM THIS.





I'M SO TURNED ON BY THE
THOUGHT OF ALL THIS, I
HOPE IT WORKS OUT. I
REALLY WANT TO EXPLORE
MY SEXUALITY.

LIFE'S TOO
SHORT, AFTER
ALL!

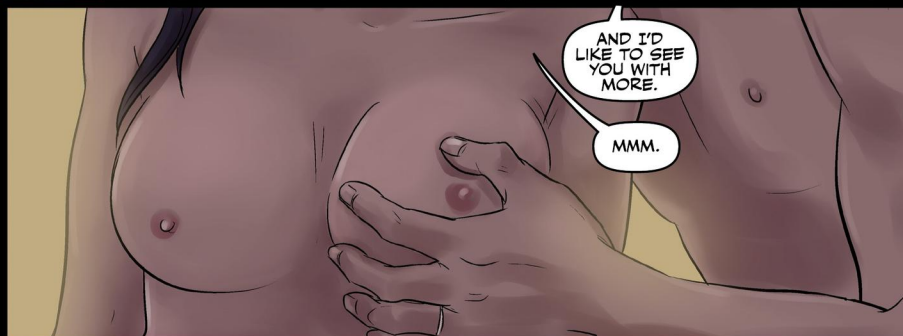
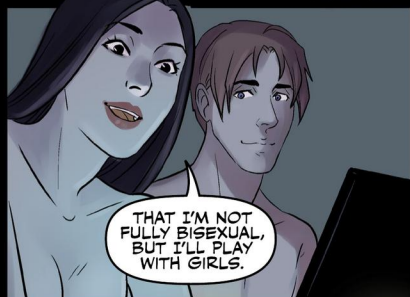
I LOVE
YOU, YA
KNOW.

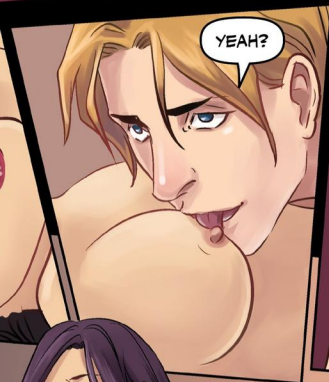
I'M STILL SCARED ABOUT
HOW I'LL FEEL, BUT IF
ANYTHING UNCOOL HAPPENS
I CAN USE THAT AS AN
EXCUSE TO STOP IT.

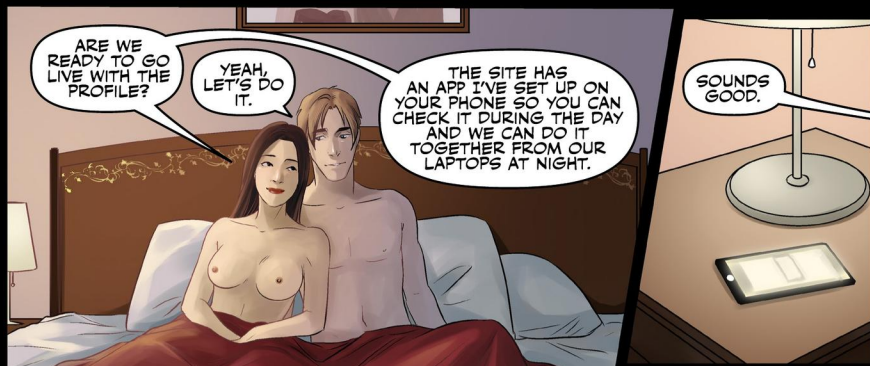
PLUS, OUR SEX LIFE HAS BEEN
AMAZINGLY BETTER FROM JUST
TALKING ABOUT ALL THIS.

I LOVE
YOU TOO, BABY
CAKES.

IF WE'RE
OPEN AND HONEST
WITH EACH OTHER
AND TALK THROUGH
OUR FEELINGS,
I THINK WE MIGHT
ACTUALLY BE ABLE
TO PULL THIS
OFF.

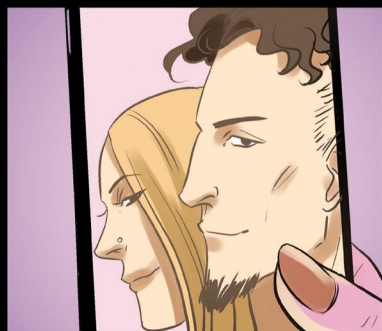
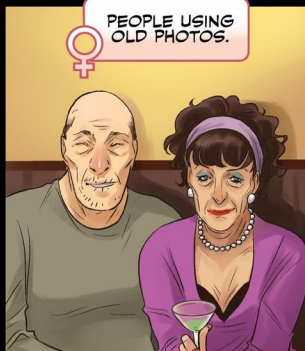
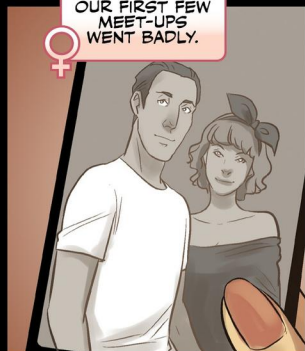




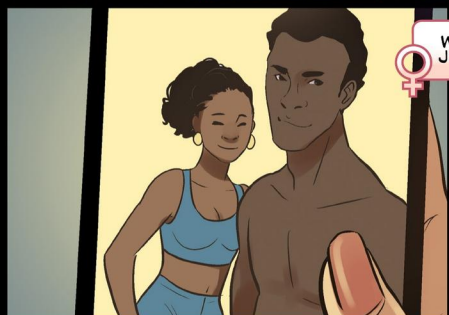


♀ OUR FIRST FEW MEET-UPS WENT BADLY.

♀ PEOPLE USING OLD PHOTOS.



♀ INTERESTING ANGLES.



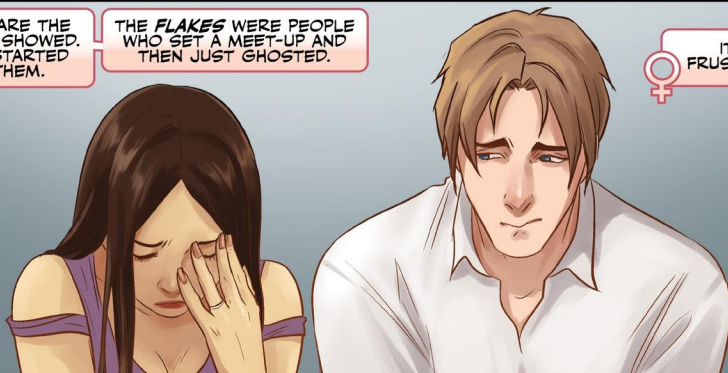
♀ WE WERE TRYING NOT TO BE JUDGMENTAL...BUT COME ON.



♀ AND THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT SHOWED. **FAKES**, WE STARTED CALLING THEM.

THE **FLAKES** WERE PEOPLE WHO SET A MEET-UP AND THEN JUST GHOSTED.

♀ IT WAS FRUSTRATING.



♀
OUR LAST MEET-UP WAS OVER A MONTH AGO WITH A GUY WHO PRETENDED TO HAVE A WIFE AND SHOWED UP BY HIMSELF.

THAT'S HOW WE DISCOVERED THERE WERE A LOT OF SINGLE MEN WHO LIED ABOUT BEING WITH A WOMAN TO COLLECT NUDE PICS OR HOPED WE'D HAVE A THREESOME.

THERE ARE HONEST SINGLE MEN IN LIFESTYLE WHO PLAY WITH COUPLES, BOTH STRAIGHT AND BISEXUAL, BUT I KNEW DAN WOULD NOT BE INTO THAT.

♀
AFTER A COUPLE MONTHS I'D STARTED TO LOSE HOPE WE'D MEET ANYONE OUR SPEED.

WE FELL BACK INTO THE ROUTINES AND OUR BRIEF HOT SEX DEVOLVED BACK INTO GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS.

CATH, WE'VE GOT A NEW MATCH. THEY LOOK GOOD... IF THEY'RE LEGIT. CHERI AND JACK.

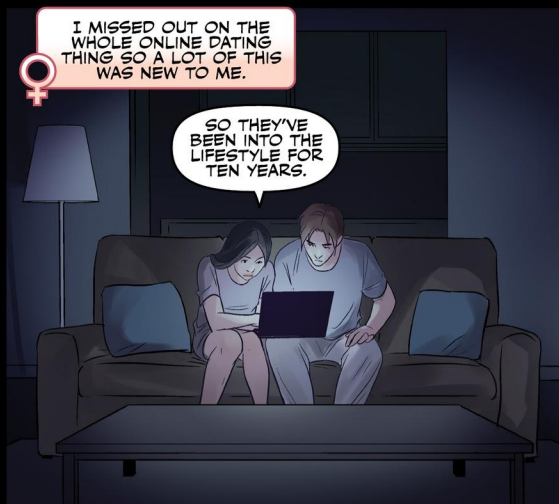
THEY'RE CUTE... IF THEY'RE FOR REAL.

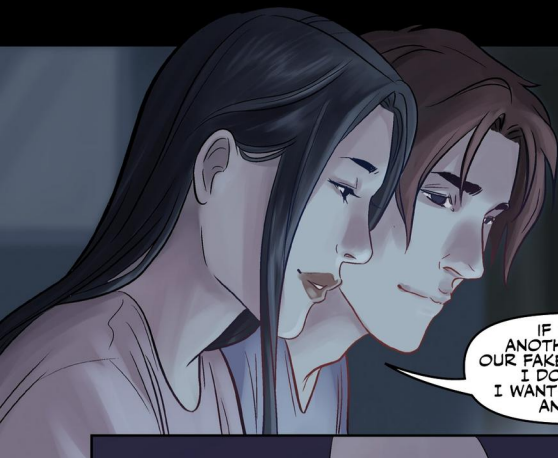
I'M A LITTLE TIRED OF BEING DISAPPOINTED.

THEY WANT TO CHAT TONIGHT. AT THE VERY LEAST, MAYBE IT'LL GET US WORKED UP.

I'LL GO DOWN ON YOU FOR LIKE TWO HOURS.

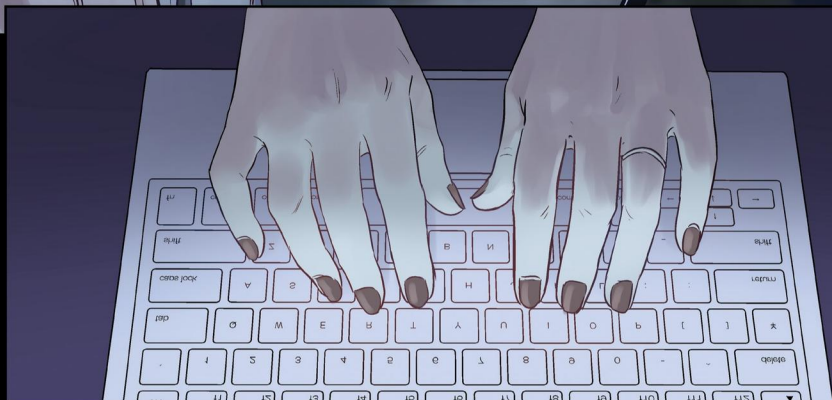
YOU MEAN TWO MINUTES?





THIS WHOLE THING HAS MADE ME APPRECIATE DAN EVEN MORE. HE'S REAL IN A SEA OF SO MANY FAKERS.

IF THEY'RE ANOTHER ONE OF OUR FAKES OR FLAKES, I DON'T THINK I WANT TO TRY THIS ANYMORE.



LOL, very

Video Chat?

VIDEO CHAT, WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THAT, MISTER SCAREDY-PANTS?



IT WOULD HELP ELIMINATE THE FAKERS. YEAH, LET'S DO IT.





HI, GUYS.
I'M MARY AND
THIS IS MY
HUSBAND CLINT.
WE USE CHERI AND
JACK UNTIL WE SEE
THE COUPLE'S
LEGIT.

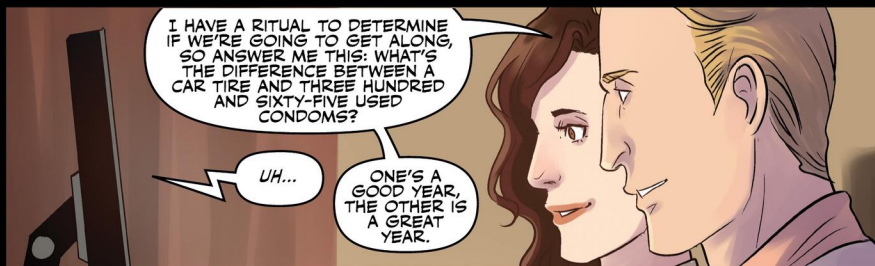
WE
THOUGHT
ABOUT CODE
NAMES,
TOO.



DAN AND
CATHY ARE
OUR REAL
NAMES.

WE THOUGHT
FAKE ONES
MIGHT BE TOO
HARD TO
REMEMBER
WHEN WE WERE
DRUNK.

YOU GUYS
ARE SUPER
CUTE.



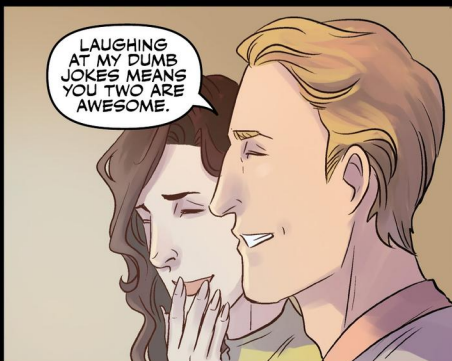
I HAVE A RITUAL TO DETERMINE
IF WE'RE GOING TO GET ALONG,
SO ANSWER ME THIS: WHAT'S
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A
CAR TIRE AND THREE HUNDRED
AND SIXTY-FIVE USED
CONDOMS?

UH...

ONE'S A
GOOD YEAR,
THE OTHER IS
A GREAT
YEAR.



HAHAHA
HAHA HA



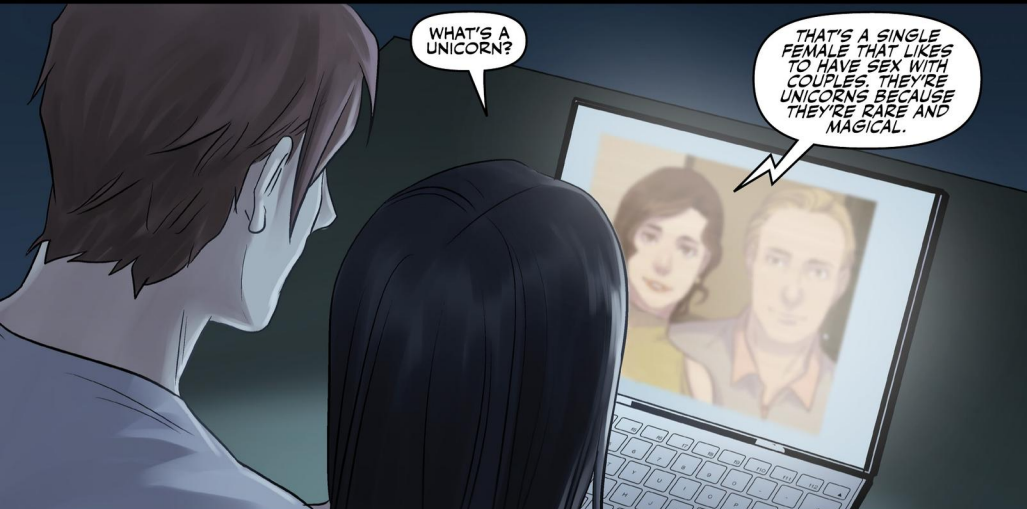
LAUGHING
AT MY DUMB
JOKES MEANS
YOU TWO ARE
AWESOME.



THIS VIDEO CHAT IS A GREAT IDEA, I WISH WE'D THOUGHT OF IT. WE'VE BEEN ON SO MANY MEET AND GREET'S WITH THE FAKES AND BEEN GHOSTED BY FLAKES.

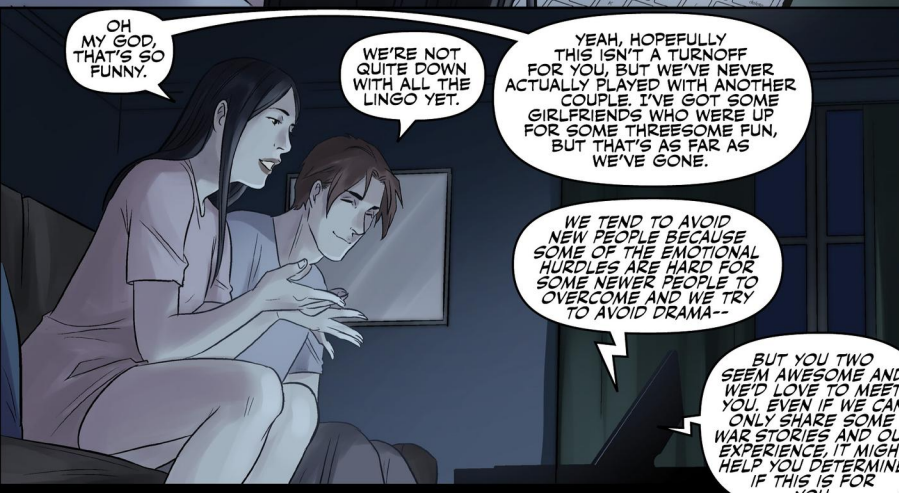


THAT HAPPENED TO US A FEW TIMES TOO, SO WE USE THIS TO MAKE SURE THE COUPLE OR UNICORN IS LEGIT.



WHAT'S A UNICORN?

THAT'S A SINGLE FEMALE THAT LIKES TO HAVE SEX WITH COUPLES. THEY'RE UNICORNS BECAUSE THEY'RE RARE AND MAGICAL.



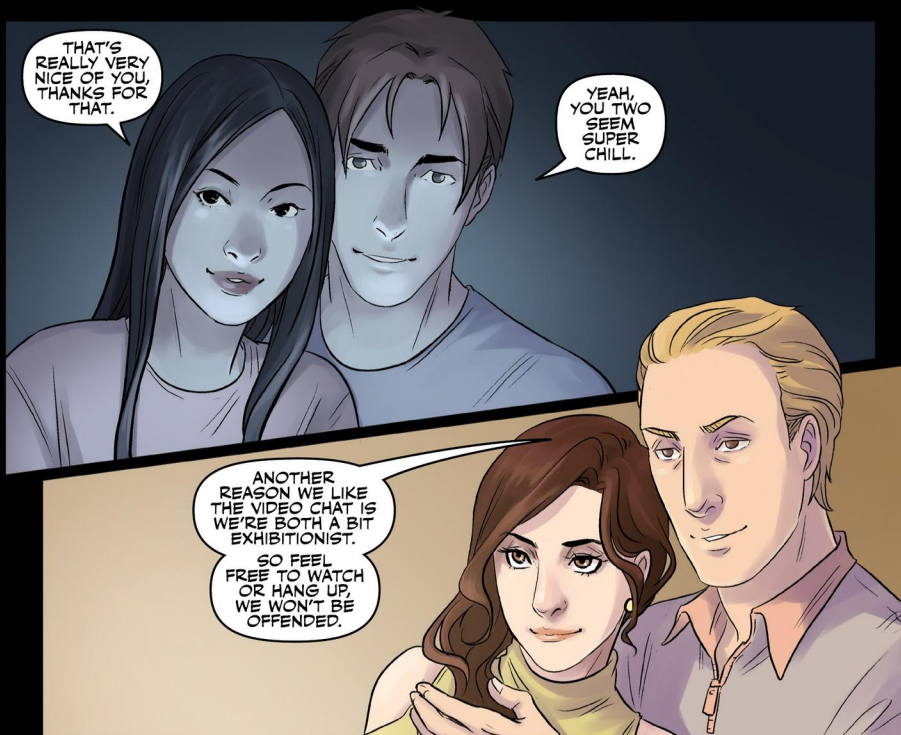
OH MY GOD, THAT'S SO FUNNY.

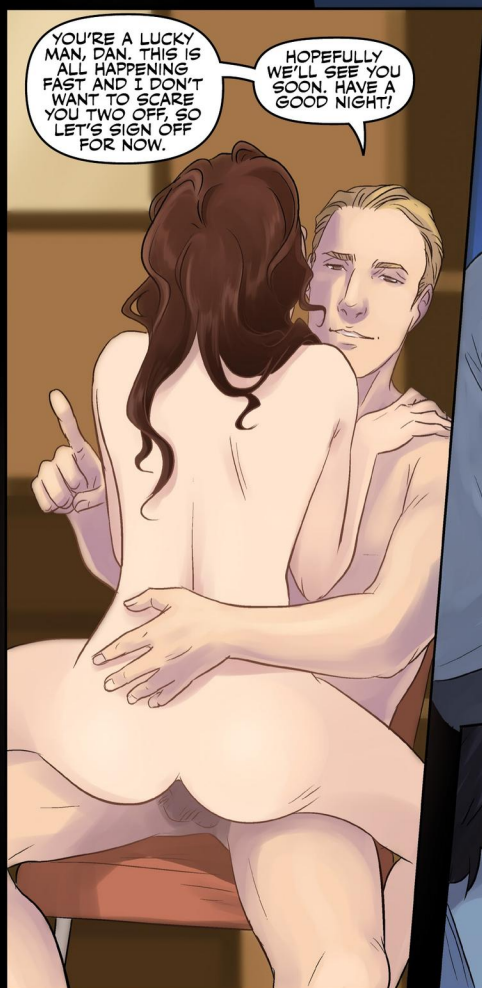
WE'RE NOT QUITE DOWN WITH ALL THE LINGO YET.

YEAH, HOPEFULLY THIS ISN'T A TURNOFF FOR YOU, BUT WE'VE NEVER ACTUALLY PLAYED WITH ANOTHER COUPLE. I'VE GOT SOME GIRLFRIENDS WHO WERE UP FOR SOME THREESOME FUN, BUT THAT'S AS FAR AS WE'VE GONE.

WE TEND TO AVOID NEW PEOPLE BECAUSE SOME OF THE EMOTIONAL HURDLES ARE HARD FOR SOME NEWER PEOPLE TO OVERCOME AND WE TRY TO AVOID DRAMA--

BUT YOU TWO SEEM AWESOME AND WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU EVEN IF WE CAN ONLY SHARE SOME WAR STORIES AND OUR EXPERIENCE, IT MIGHT HELP YOU DETERMINE IF THIS IS FOR YOU.





YOU'RE A LUCKY MAN, DAN. THIS IS ALL HAPPENING FAST AND I DON'T WANT TO SCARE YOU TWO OFF, SO LET'S SIGN OFF FOR NOW.

HOPEFULLY WE'LL SEE YOU SOON. HAVE A GOOD NIGHT!





OH!!!



IS
MOMMY
OKAY?

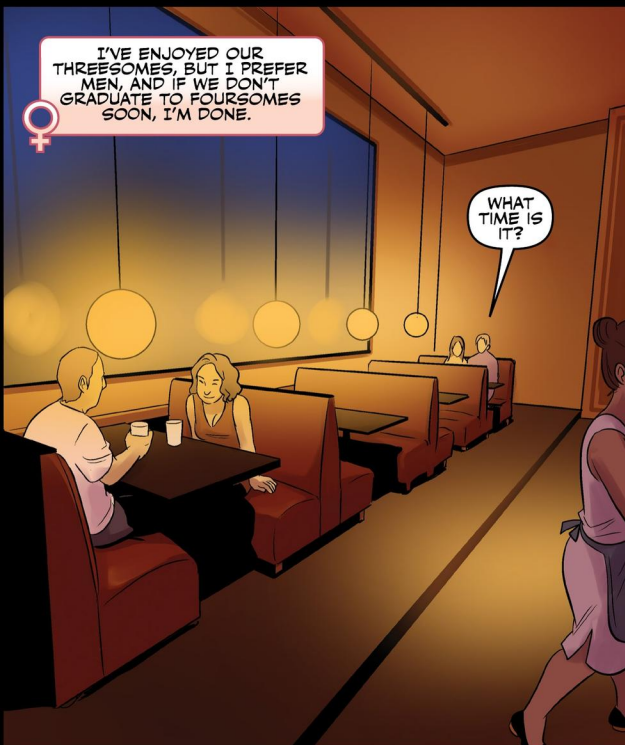
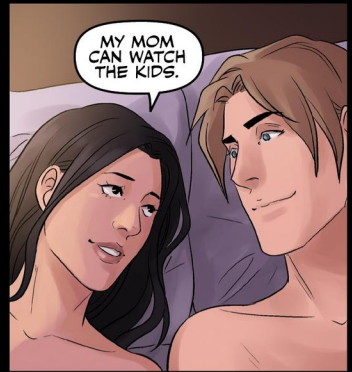
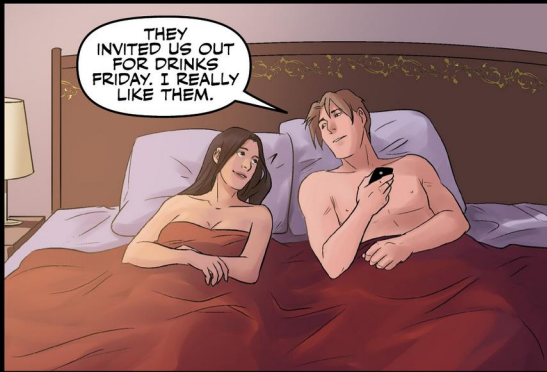


SHE'S
FINE, HONEY,
GO BACK TO
BED.

YOU'RE
HAVING SEX,
I'M NOT DUMB.
DON'T YOU HAVE
YOUR OWN
ROOM FOR
THAT?



I WATCH
TV THERE, YA
KNOW.



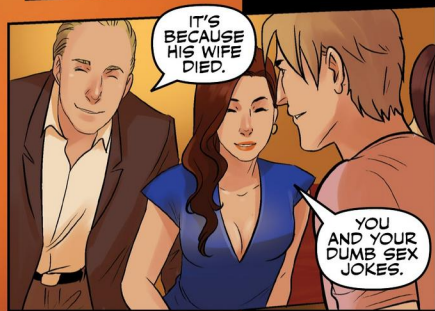


I LOVE PUNCTUAL PEOPLE.



DO YOU KNOW WHY DR. PEPPER COMES IN A BOTTLE?

WHAT?



IT'S BECAUSE HIS WIFE DIED.

YOU AND YOUR DUMB SEX JOKES.

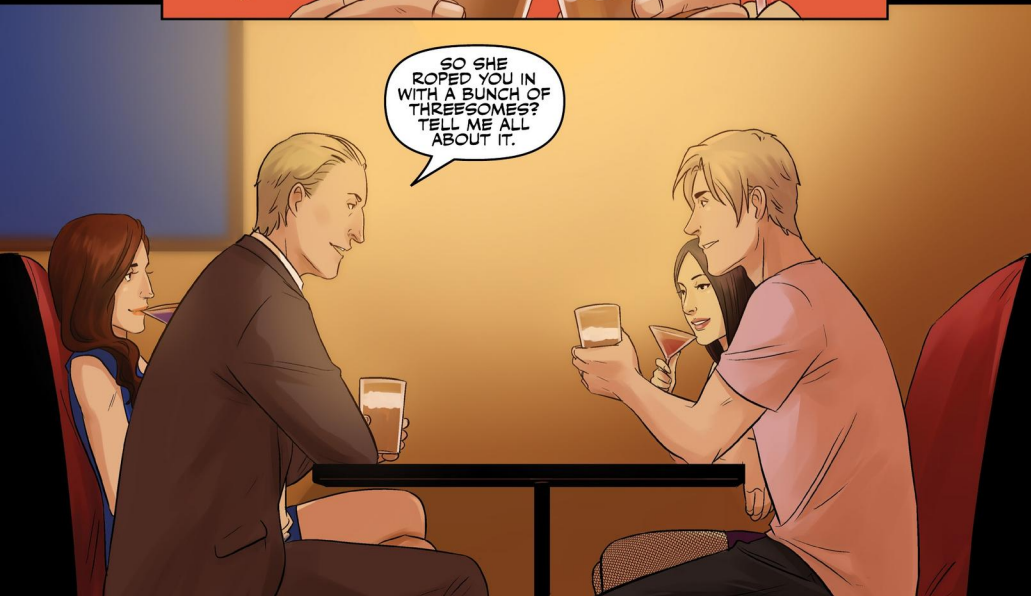
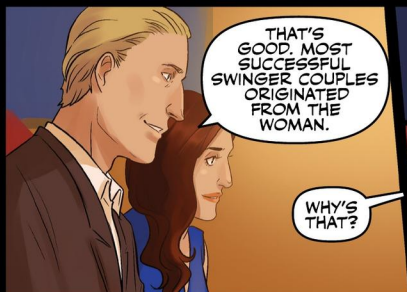


FORGIVE ME, HUMOR IS A GREAT ICEBREAKER AND A WAY TO CALM THE JITTERS.

IT'S ALWAYS NERVE-WRACKING MEETING PEOPLE FOR THE FIRST TIME.



EVEN AFTER ALL THIS TIME IN LIFESTYLE TOGETHER?



HOURS LATER.

WELL, IT'S ABOUT TIME TO CALL IT A NIGHT.

AWW, WE DON'T WANT THE NIGHT TO END.

YOU WANT TO GET A HOTEL ROOM?

THAT SOUNDS LOVELY.

LET ME TEXT MY MOTHER THAT WE'LL BE OUT A BIT LATER, SHE'S WATCHING OUR KIDS.

DONE.

LET'S GO.

AND JUST LIKE THAT, AFTER ALL THE FAILURES, ANNOYING PEOPLE, AND PROBLEMS WE HAD TO OVERCOME GETTING TO THIS MOMENT... WE WERE FINALLY THERE.



I WAS SCARED, BUT EXCITED.

MORE WORRIED ABOUT HOW DAN MIGHT REACT THAN ANYTHING. MR. WORRYWART WHO WAS SO CONCERNED ABOUT GIVING OUT PERSONAL INFORMATION WAS TELLING THEM EVERYTHING ABOUT US.

WE JUST FELT SO COMFORTABLE WITH THEM, LIKE WE WERE OLD FRIENDS.

I'VE BEEN A HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER FOR FOUR YEARS NOW. I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A WRITER BUT GAVE THAT UP FOR A FEW YEARS AFTER A SEA OF REJECTION LETTERS.

I STARTED A NEW NOVEL RECENTLY SO I'M GOING TO GIVE IT ANOTHER SHOT.

THAT'S FANTASTIC! I'D LOVE TO GIVE IT A READ WHEN YOU FINISH IT. I KNOW A FEW PEOPLE IN THE PUBLISHING BIZ.

ENOUGH WORK TALK, PAY ATTENTION TO ME NOW.

I CAN NEVER SAY NO TO YOU, DARLING.







I'D ALMOST GIVEN UP
HOPE, BUT THIS WAS
EVERYTHING I WANTED
IT TO BE.

IT REALLY IS ABOUT
FINDING THE RIGHT
PEOPLE.





WELL? YOU
HAVEN'T SAID
MUCH.

I'M
STILL IN A
STATE OF
SHOCK.



THAT WAS
AWESOME.



REALLY?
OH DAN, THAT MAKES
ME SO HAPPY. I WAS
SO NERVOUS ABOUT
HOW YOU'D
REACT.

NO
REGRETS?



HA HA, NOPE. WHO'D HAVE
THOUGHT I NEEDED TO
LIKE THE GUY FOR ME TO
BE OKAY WITH HIM
BANGING YOU?



BANGING?
YOU DRUNK
ASS. LET'S GO
HOME.

AFTERCARE IS SOMETHING
YOU DON'T THINK ABOUT
WHEN YOU START THIS KIND
OF THING, BUT I READ
ABOUT IT ONLINE.



NEVER CAME,
BAD BOY. YOU
WANT TO TAKE ME
HOME AND FINISH
ME OFF?

YES,
MA'AM.

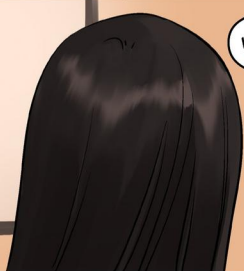


Turns out after a swinging experience, the best thing is to be super affectionate and continue the sex at home so your partner feels loved and like the most important person in your life.

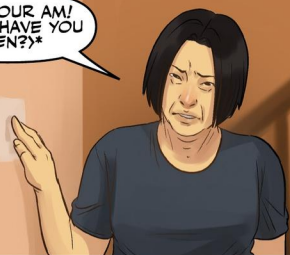
SHHH, IT'S SO LATE.



CLICK



IT'S FOUR AM! WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?*



*TRANSLATED FROM MANDARIN.

WE LOST TRACK OF TIME, MOM. SORRY. HOW ARE THE KIDS?



<YOU NEED TO TALK TO ASHLEY ABOUT BOYS.>
<SHE'S TOO YOUNG TO BE TEXTING BOYS AT NIGHT.>
<YOU DON'T WANT HER TO GROW UP TO BE A SLUT.>

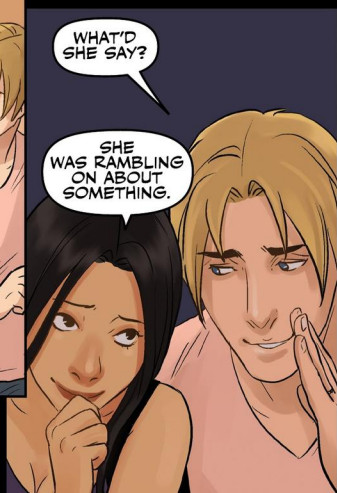


I WILL, AND THANKS SO MUCH FOR WATCHING THEM. NIGHT.



WHAT'D SHE SAY?

SHE WAS RAMBLING ON ABOUT SOMETHING.



SOME COUPLES VIEW
SWINGING PURELY
AS FOREPLAY.

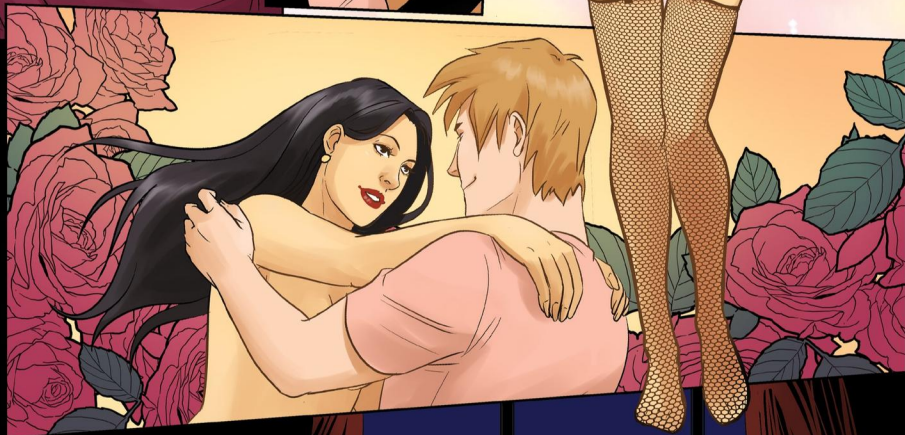


YOU
KNOW
HOW SHE
IS.

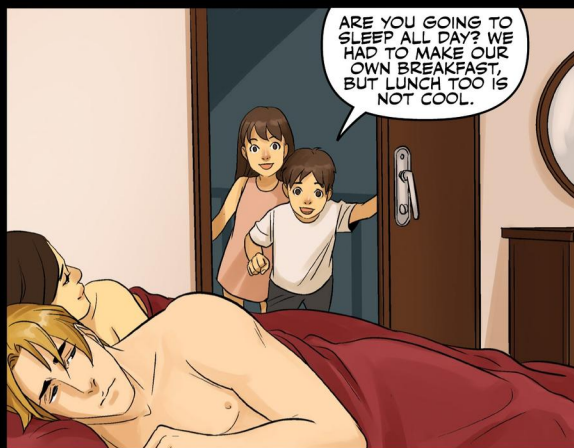
THAT WORKS
FOR ME.



HEY, STUD,
YOU GOT
SOMETHING
FOR ME?



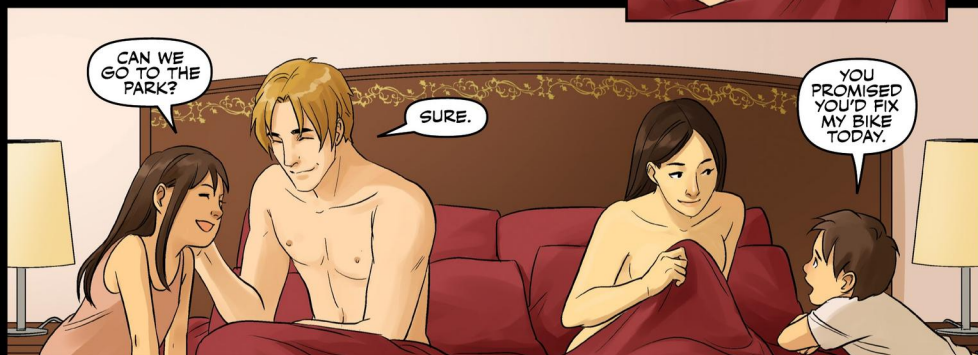
12:20 PM, SATURDAY



ARE YOU GOING TO SLEEP ALL DAY? WE HAD TO MAKE OUR OWN BREAKFAST, BUT LUNCH TOO IS NOT COOL.



HEY, KIDDOS, SORRY WE WERE OUT LATE LAST NIGHT.



CAN WE GO TO THE PARK?

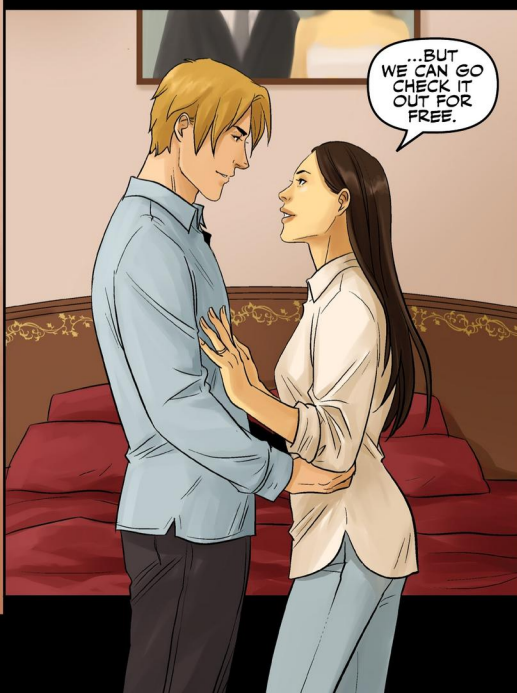
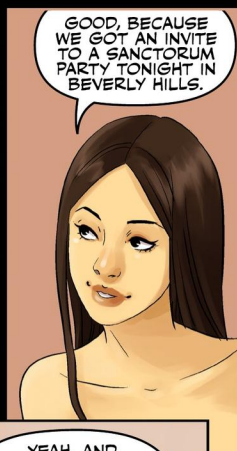
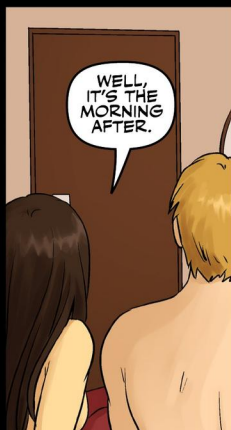
SURE.

YOU PROMISED YOU'D FIX MY BIKE TODAY.

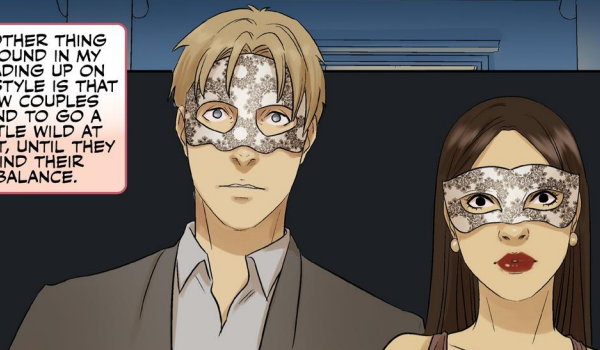


DON'T LET DAD DO IT, YOU KNOW HE'S TERRIBLE AT FIXING THINGS.

I WON'T DO IT, BLAKE, MOMMY WILL. DADDY HAS A TUTOR SESSION THIS AFTERNOON ANYWAY.



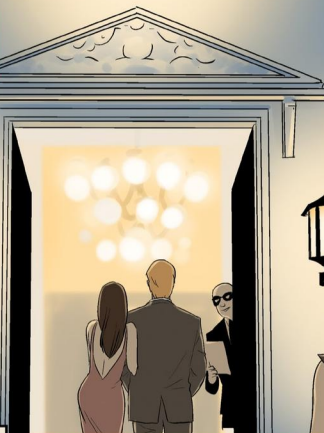
ANOTHER THING I FOUND IN MY READING UP ON LIFESTYLE IS THAT NEW COUPLES TEND TO GO A LITTLE WILD AT FIRST, UNTIL THEY FIND THEIR BALANCE.



IT'S NOT UNCOMMON FOR COUPLES TO HAVE MULTIPLE ENCOUNTERS IN THEIR FIRST FEW WEEKS ONCE ACTIVE.



PART OF THE FUN IS FIGURING OUT WHAT WORKS FOR YOU AND HOW OFTEN.



I'M SO HAPPY THIS SEEMS TO BE WORKING OUT FOR US.



THIS PLACE IS AMAZING.





MY WIFE IS
ROAMING AROUND
SOMEWHERE. WE'RE
HAVING A PARTY
NEXT MONTH,
PERHAPS YOU TWO
WOULD LIKE TO
COME?

I'D HAVE TO
MAKE SURE IT'S
OKAY WITH MY
HUSBAND, BUT
MAYBE.

CAN YOU GIVE
ME AN EMAIL I
CAN SEND THE
INVITE TO?

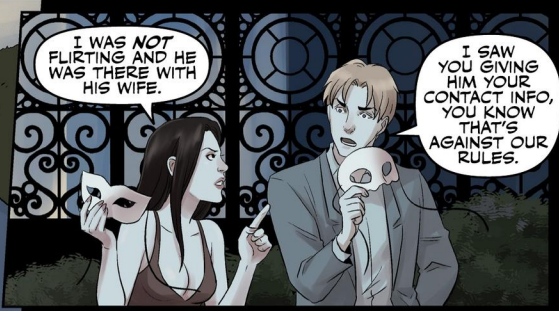
WE USE
A JOINT ONE,
DRINKSINLA@
GMAIL.COM.





I LEAVE YOU ALONE FOR ONE SECOND AND YOU'RE FLIRTING WITH SOME SINGLE GUY?

WHAT?!

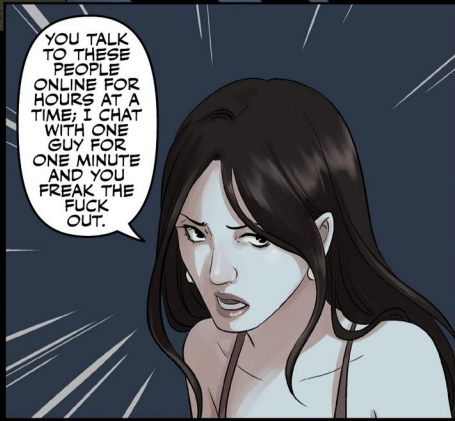


I WAS *NOT* FLIRTING AND HE WAS THERE WITH HIS WIFE.

I SAW YOU GIVING HIM YOUR CONTACT INFO, YOU KNOW THAT'S AGAINST OUR RULES.



I GAVE HIM OUR JOINT DRINKING INLA EMAIL ADDRESS. THE ADDRESS YOU SET UP.



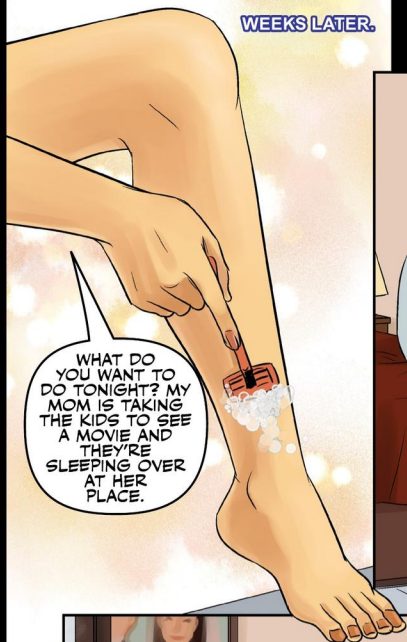
YOU TALK TO THESE PEOPLE ONLINE FOR HOURS AT A TIME; I CHAT WITH ONE GUY FOR ONE MINUTE AND YOU FREAK THE FUCK OUT.



I'M SORRY. I PANICKED WHEN I CAME OUT AND SAW YOU TALKING TO HIM. I GOT REALLY JEALOUS AND ANGRY.



WEEKS LATER.



WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? MY MOM IS TAKING THE KIDS TO SEE A MOVIE AND THEY'RE SLEEPING OVER AT HER PLACE.



A COUPLE I WAS TALKING TO IS GOING TO LIFESTYLE CLUB TONIGHT AND WANTS US TO MEET THEM THERE.

I DON'T KNOW, I'M STILL NOT HAPPY ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED AT THAT PARTY.

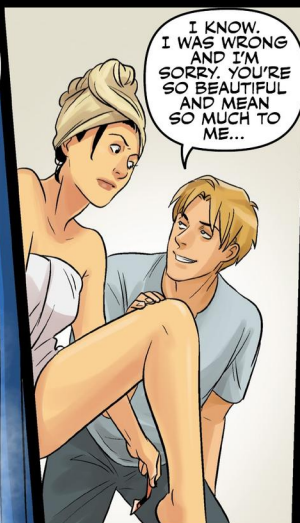


I SAID I WAS SORRY FOR THAT.

THAT WAS SO EMBARRASSING.



AND YOU ACCUSED ME OF FLIRTING. I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG.

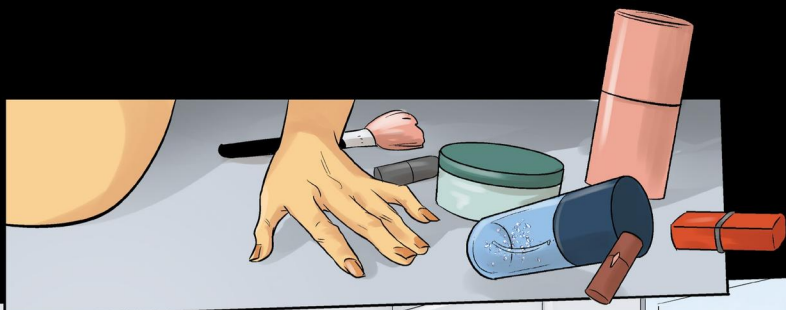


I KNOW. I WAS WRONG AND I'M SORRY. YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL AND MEAN SO MUCH TO ME...

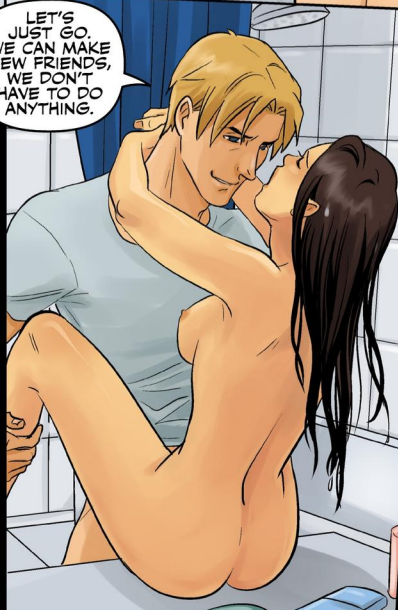


...MY PRIMAL INSTINCTS KICKED IN.

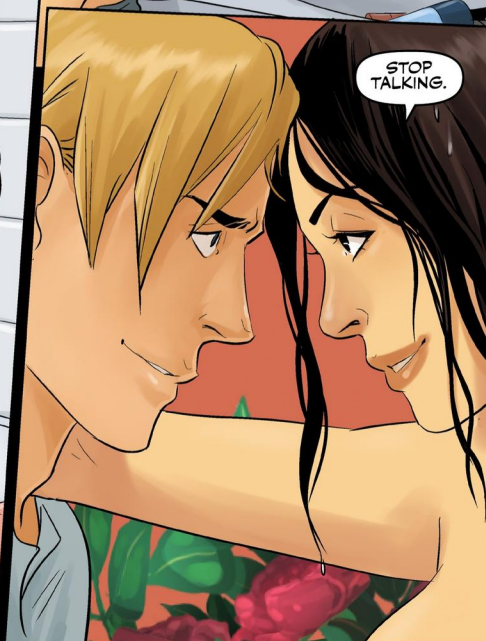


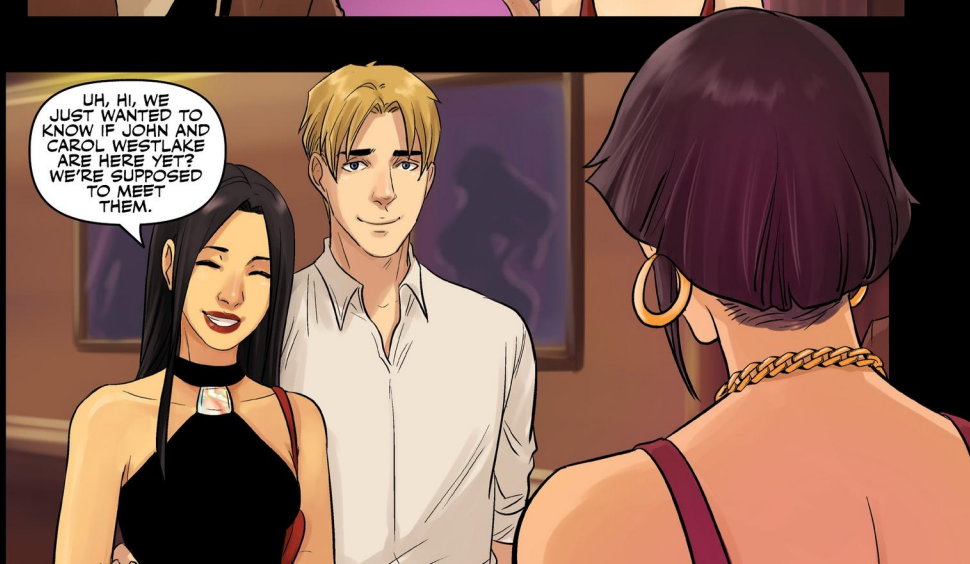


LET'S
JUST GO.
WE CAN MAKE
NEW FRIENDS,
WE DON'T
HAVE TO DO
ANYTHING.

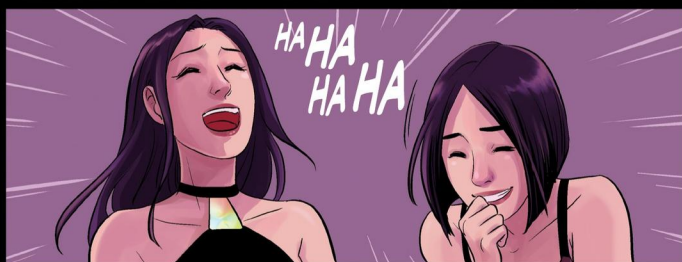
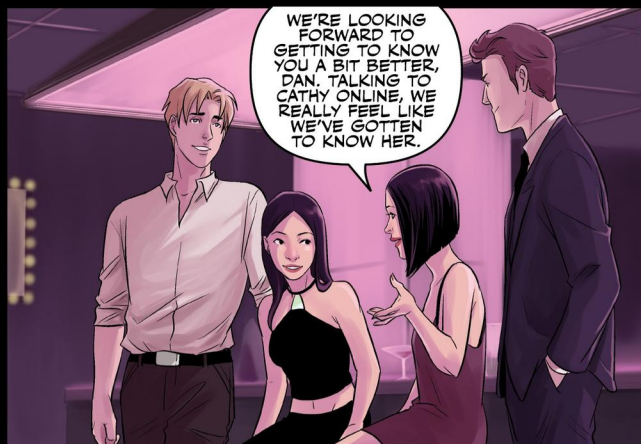


STOP
TALKING.

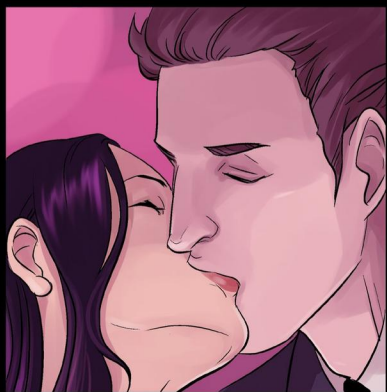




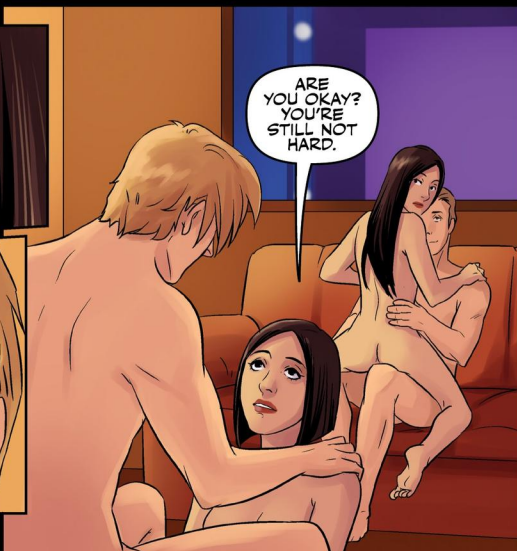
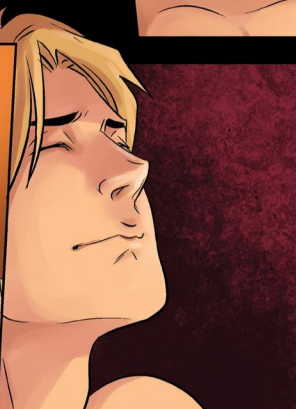
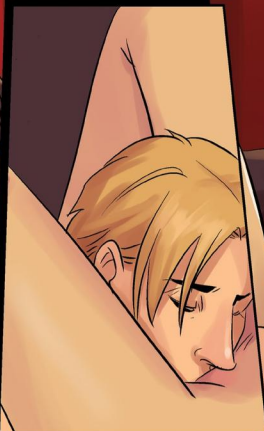


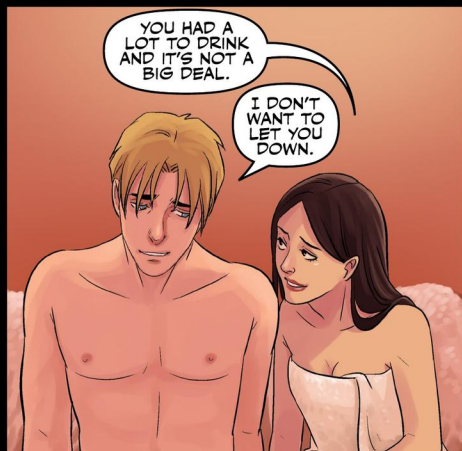
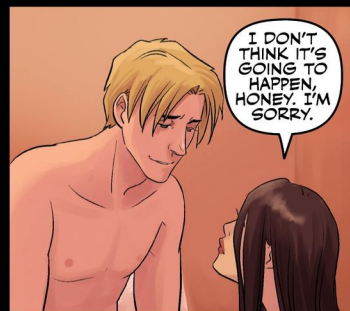
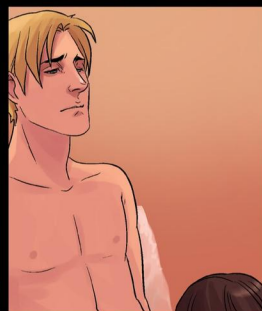
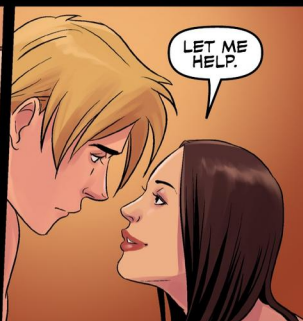














WE'RE GOING TO CALL IT A NIGHT. THANKS FOR THE LOVELY EVENING.



HEY, DAN, MEET ME IN THE MEN'S LOCKER ROOM. I HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU.



MAYBE LIFESTYLE ISN'T FOR US.



I DON'T WANT TO QUIT.

I LOVE YOU, DUMB ASS, BUT I'M NOT SURE YOU MEAN THAT. DON'T JUST TELL ME WHAT I WANT TO HEAR.

I'M NOT MAD OR EVEN UPSET, BUT IF YOU CAN'T GET HARD MAYBE THAT'S YOUR MIND TELLING YOU NOT TO DO THIS STUFF.



JOHN GAVE ME SOME VIAGRA.



HE SAID THE SAME THING HAPPENS TO HIM SOMETIMES AND HE HAS THESE JUST IN CASE.



CAN YOU TRY ONE WHEN WE GET HOME?

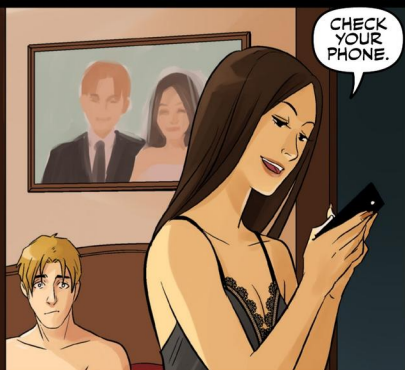


WE'RE HOME!
DID YOU MISS US?



KIS HE ALWAYS LIKE THAT IN THE MORNING?)

LET'S GO BACK DOWNSTAIRS, KIDS.



CHECK YOUR PHONE.

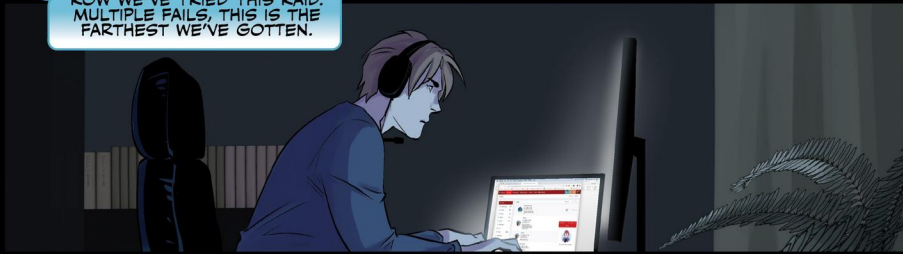


Meet me in the bathroom with that thing, I might let you slip it in the back door.





♂ THIS IS THE FIFTH WEEK IN A ROW WE'VE TRIED THIS RAID. MULTIPLE FAILS. THIS IS THE FARTHEST WE'VE GOTTEN.



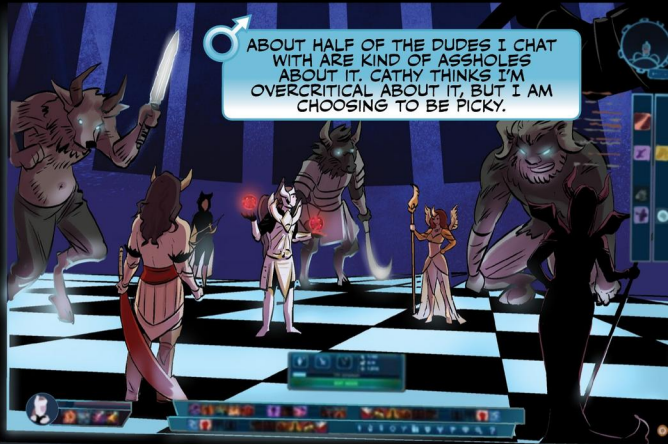
♂ THIS ROOM IS A CHESS BOARD. I'VE READ ABOUT IT ONLINE, BUT TO THWART PEOPLE LEARNING HOW TO DO IT FROM SPOILER SITES, THEY HAVE SOME RANDOM ELEMENTS.



THIS ONLINE DATING STUFF IS A BIT INSANE. SHE MISSED OUT ON IT ENTIRELY, BUT I BARELY DID ANY OF IT EITHER.

PRETENDING TO BE CATHY IS BOTH FUN AND FRUSTRATING.

♂ ABOUT HALF OF THE DUDES I CHAT WITH ARE KIND OF ASSHOLES ABOUT IT. CATHY THINKS I'M OVERCRITICAL ABOUT IT, BUT I AM CHOOSING TO BE PICKY.

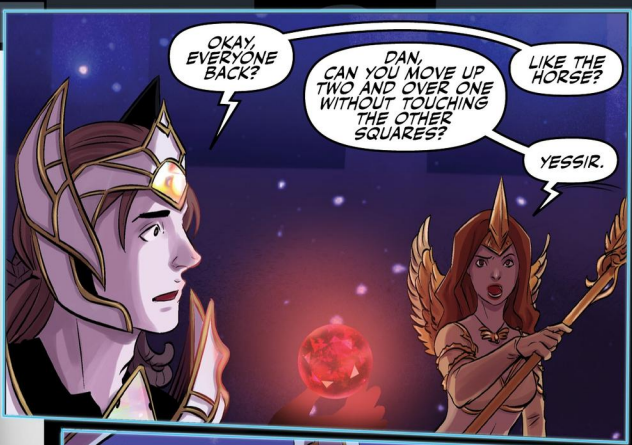


OKAY, EVERYONE BACK?

DAN, CAN YOU MOVE UP TWO AND OVER ONE WITHOUT TOUCHING THE OTHER SQUARES?

LIKE THE HORSE?

YESSIR.



CHAT
FUN_COUPLE
Hey, this is Cathy my husband's name is Dan.



DONE.

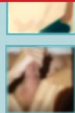


I NEED TO
PEE. LET'S TAKE
A QUICK BIO
BREAK BEFORE
WE START THE
NEXT PART?

SOUNDS
GOOD. LET'S
TAKE FIVE. DAN,
DON'T STEP
OFF THAT
SQUARE.

CHAT

● FUN_COUPLE



Like what you see? I bet your husband's not as big as me.

Actually, he's WAY bigger.



MAIL
MEMBER



BLOCK
MEMBER

CHAT

CHAT

● SWINGFLY

Your profile has no pics,
can you share some?



+2

I meant face pics, we don't
want nudes.

We don't share face pics we don't
want people to know we do this.

Well then how am I supposed to
know what you look like?

When we meet.

My husband's not going to
meet you if you don't share
some simple face/body pics
...clothed.

SWINGFLY HAS BLOCKED YOU.

CHAT

● WENDY

You're the first unicorn I've talked to
through this site, how do you like it?

I love it. I'm into Haemotophilia,
do you know what that is?

Nope, new one for me.

I like to have sex while we lightly
cut each other with a small razor.

That's a new one on me but we're
going to pass. Good luck with it.



CHAT

● ROCKABILLY69

I hope you're sane, I've had
some crazy chats on here.

We're pretty old school normal. I get
the same. My name's Dave, my wife
is Colette.

There are guys on here pretending to
be women, you know. Most of them
just trying to collect nude pics of
people. It's why we don't share
nudes.

AND WHO SAYS MEN CAN'T MULTITASK?

Ready Check



YES

NO

PLEASE, DADDY?

CAN I GET A SNACK?

IT'S A LITTLE LATE FOR A SNACK, ISN'T IT?

MUTE

THERE ARE SOME OTTER POPS IN THE FREEZER, BUT DON'T TELL YOUR MOM.

UNMUTE



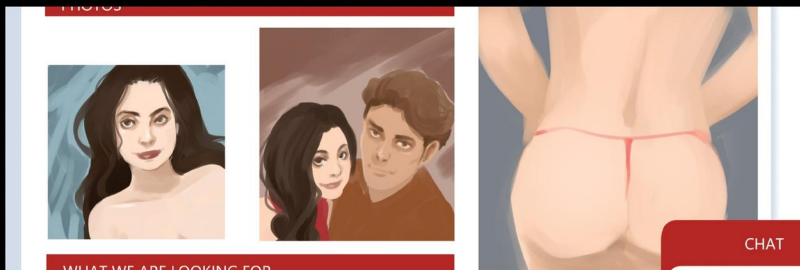


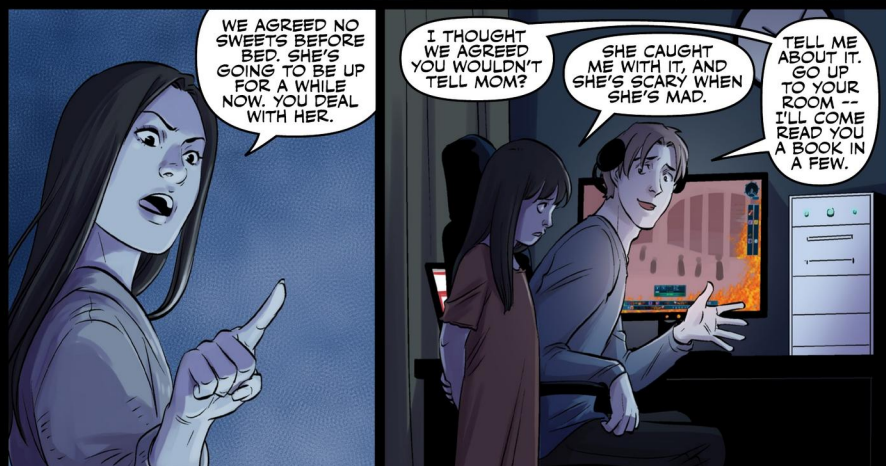
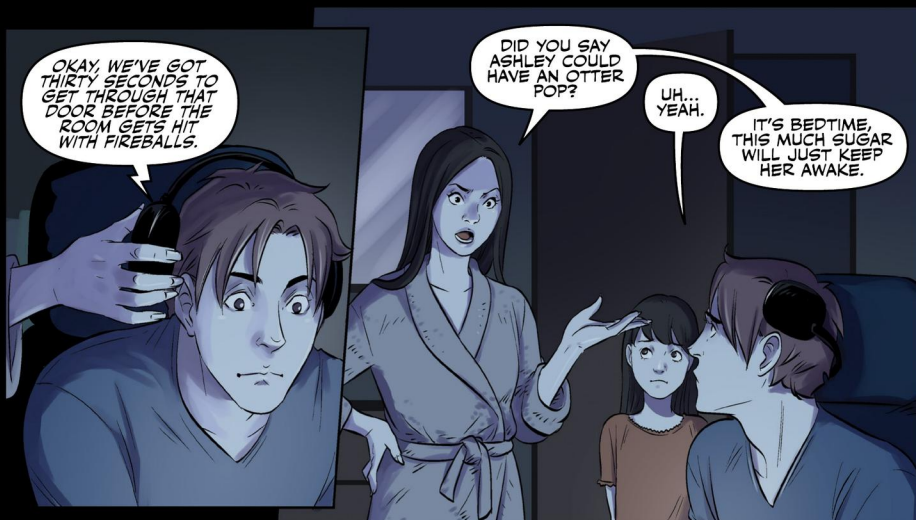
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BOOSH









MONTHS
LATER.



MY DAILY ROUTINE IS PRETTY MUCH THE SAME, BUT I'M HAPPIER NOW.

WE'VE HAD A FEW MORE SUCCESSFUL ENCOUNTERS AND DAN HAS BECOME A VIAGRA FIEND.

WE NEED AN OVERALL DEAL. IT WOULD GENERATE LESS MONEY PER TRAILER WITH THE STUDIO, BUT IT WOULD GUARANTEE US TEN TIMES THE REVENUE.

NO, BUT ONE OF THE FREELANCE GROUPS IS WILLING TO DROP THEIR COST IF WE GUARANTEE THEM MORE WORK, WHICH, WITH THIS DEAL, WE CAN DO.

IF YOU CAN GET THE STUDIO DEAL YOU HAVE OUR APPROVAL.

I'LL SET A MEETING AND PITCH THEIR WHOLE TEAM.

DO WE HAVE ENOUGH PEOPLE TO PULL THAT OFF?



AS A COUPLE WE'RE MORE AFFECTIONATE THAN EVER.

WE HAVE REGULAR DATE NIGHTS FOR JUST THE TWO OF US.

♀
OUR SEX LIFE
HAS IMPROVED
MARKEDLY.

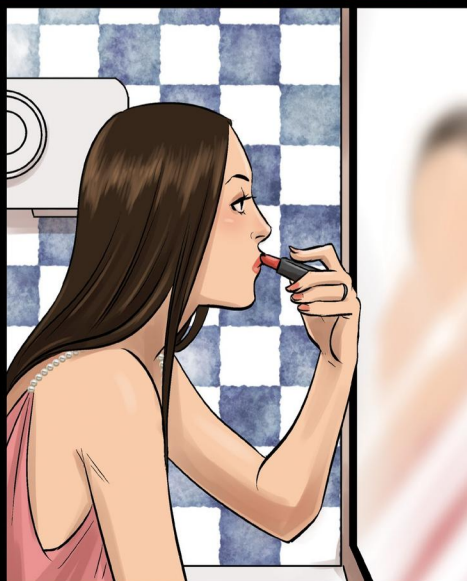
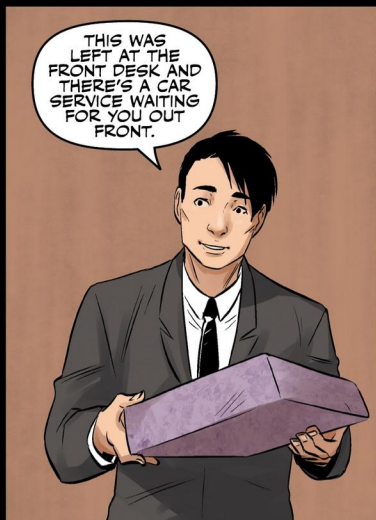
♀
IT SEEMS ODD THAT
OUR HAVING SEX
WITH OTHER PEOPLE
WOULD BRING
US CLOSER
TOGETHER...
BUT IT HAS.

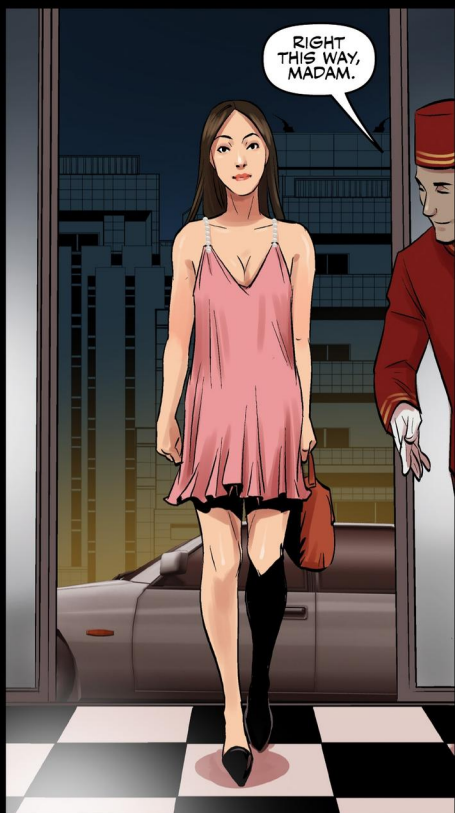
♀
DAN HAS SURPRISED
ME WITH ROMANTIC
SCAVENGER HUNTS.

♀
HE'S BEEN SENDING
ME FLOWERS AT
WORK, WHICH HE
NEVER USED TO DO.

ARE YOU
DONE FOR
THE DAY?

YEAH, BUT
DAN TEXTED
ME HE LEFT
SOMETHING FOR
ME. CAN YOU
GO CHECK?



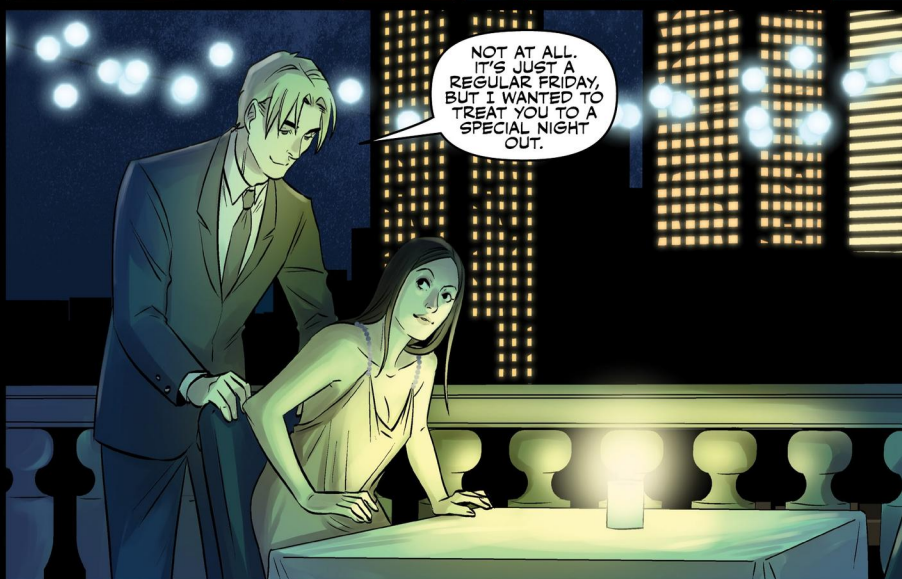


RIGHT
THIS WAY,
MADAM.

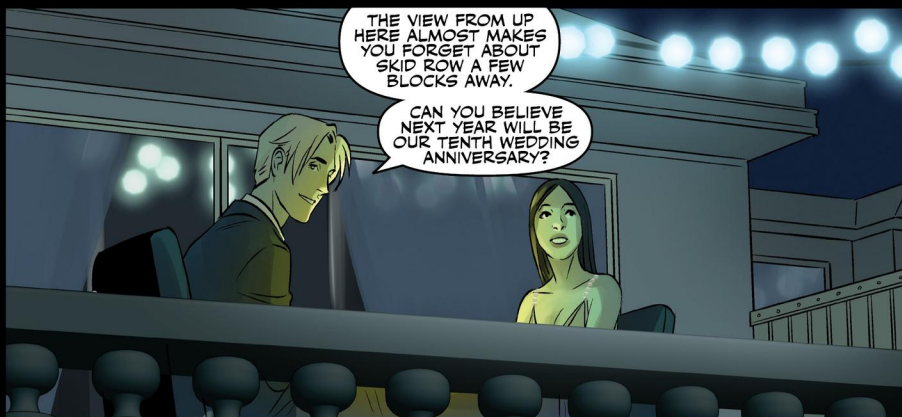


HEY,
BEAUTIFUL.

WHAT'S THE
OCCASION? DID I
FORGET OUR
ANNIVERSARY OR
SOMETHING?



NOT AT ALL.
IT'S JUST A
REGULAR FRIDAY,
BUT I WANTED TO
TREAT YOU TO A
SPECIAL NIGHT
OUT.



THE VIEW FROM UP
HERE ALMOST MAKES
YOU FORGET ABOUT
SKID ROW A FEW
BLOCKS AWAY.

CAN YOU BELIEVE
NEXT YEAR WILL BE
OUR TENTH WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY?



MARRYING
YOU WAS
THE BEST
DECISION
I EVER
MADE.



I'M
LUCKY
TO HAVE
YOU.

EVERY
MORNING
I WAKE UP
NEXT TO
YOU IS A
GIFT.



AWW,
THAT'S SWEET.
I REALLY CAN'T
IMAGINE MY
LIFE WITHOUT
YOU.

I KNOW THIS
LIFESTYLE
STUFF HASN'T
ALWAYS BEEN
EASY FOR YOU,
BUT IT SEEMS
TO BE
WORKING
FOR US.

HOURS
LATER.



SO
WHAT'S ON
TAP FOR THE
REST OF
THE NIGHT,
LOVERBOY?
YOU GET
A ROOM
HERE?

YES, AND
THERE'S A CLUB
HERE TOO.
THOUGHT IT
MIGHT BE FUN TO
VISIT A VANILLA*
ONE.

*NON-LIFESTYLE
CLUB.



NO MAN HAS EVER TOUCHED
ME AT A LIFESTYLE CLUB
WITHOUT ASKING FIRST.



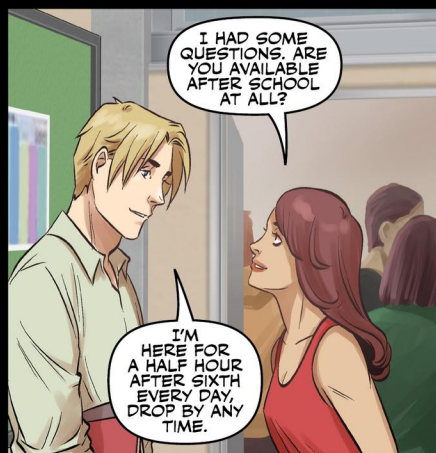
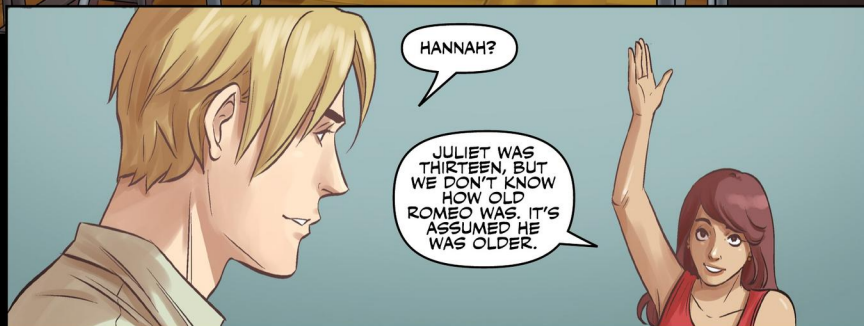
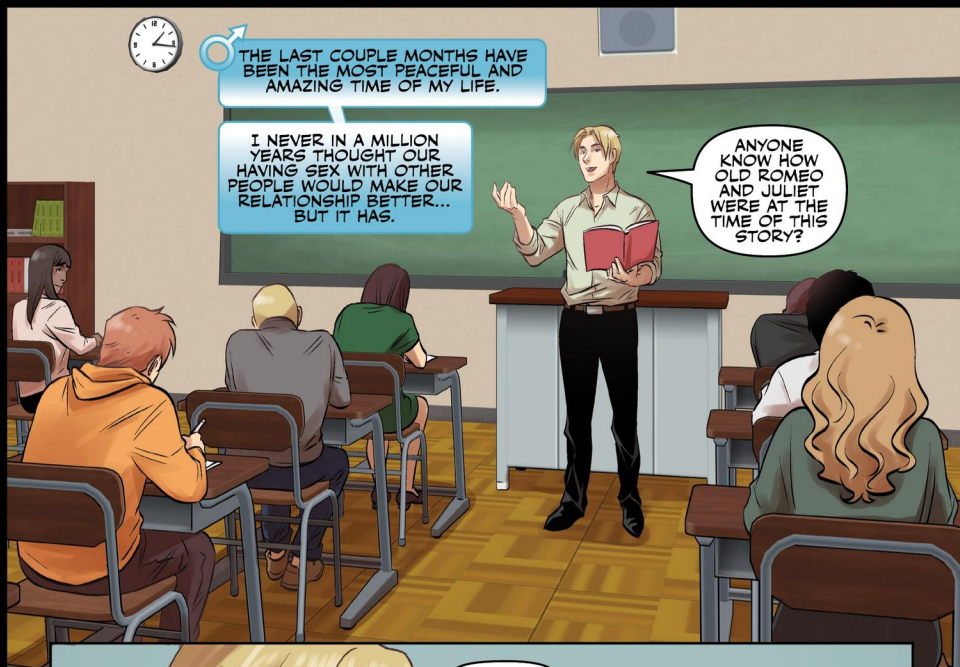
I'VE NEVER FELT
PRESSURED INTO
ANYTHING.

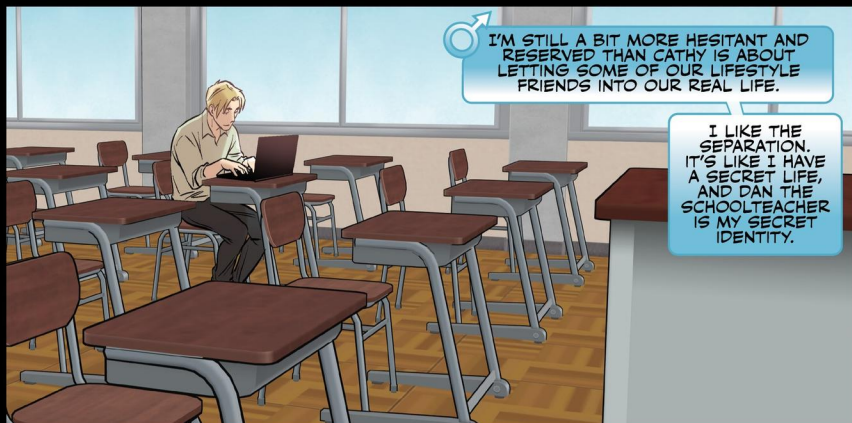
THE RESPECT FOR
RELATIONSHIPS AND THE
CONSENT NECESSARY IS
RADICALLY DIFFERENT
THAN WHAT HAPPENS
IN THE REAL WORLD.

IT'S THE EXACT
OPPOSITE OF WHAT
PEOPLE EXPECT.



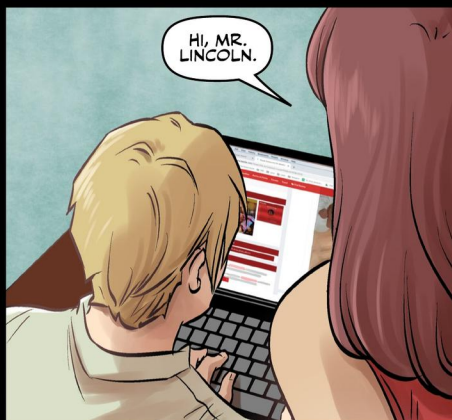
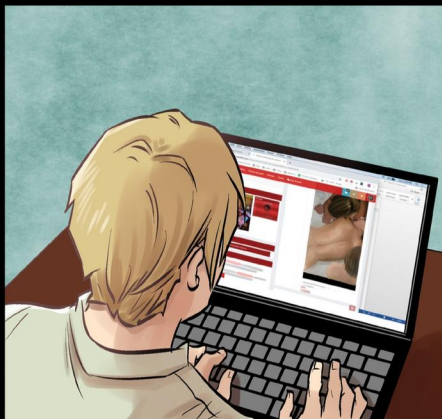






I'M STILL A BIT MORE HESITANT AND RESERVED THAN CATHY IS ABOUT LETTING SOME OF OUR LIFESTYLE FRIENDS INTO OUR REAL LIFE.

I LIKE THE SEPARATION. IT'S LIKE I HAVE A SECRET LIFE, AND DAN THE SCHOOTEACHER IS MY SECRET IDENTITY.



HI, MR. LINCOLN.

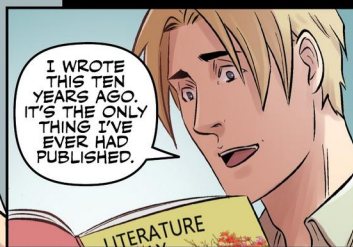
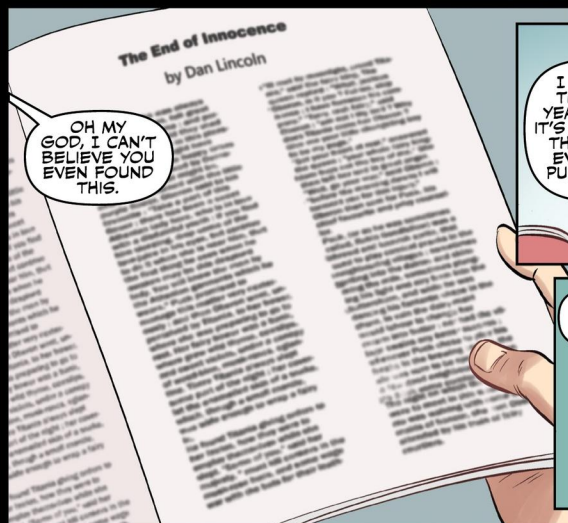


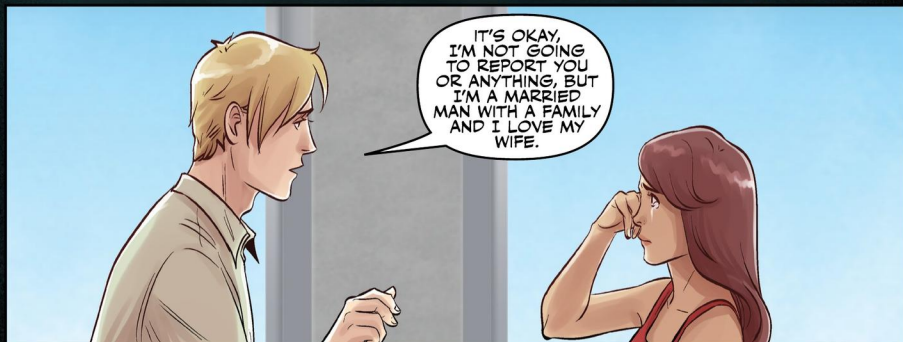
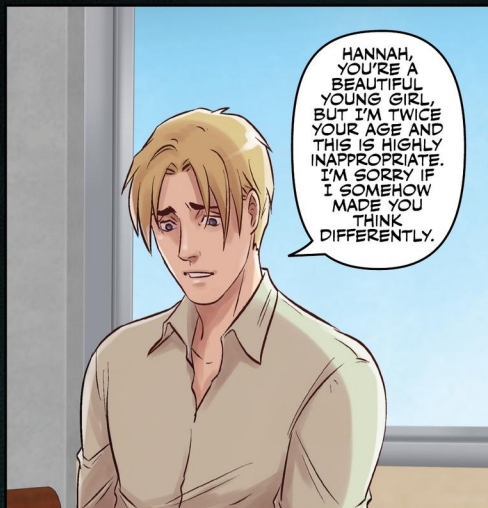
IS NOW A BAD TIME?



NO, IT'S FINE, YOU HAD SOME SHAKESPEARE QUESTIONS?

NO, I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE.







PULLING OUT THESE OLD
REJECTION LETTERS KIND
OF STINGS.



I SHOULD FRAME ALL
THESE IF I EVER GET
PUBLISHED FOR REAL.

I'M HAPPIER IN MY PERSONAL
LIFE THAN EVER, BUT I WANT
TO BE A REAL WRITER MORE
THAN ANYTHING.





THIS ISN'T MY FIRST PRESENTATION TO THE BIG BRASS AT A STUDIO, SO I'M NOT ALL THAT NERVOUS.

CONFIDENCE HAS NEVER BEEN A PROBLEM FOR ME.

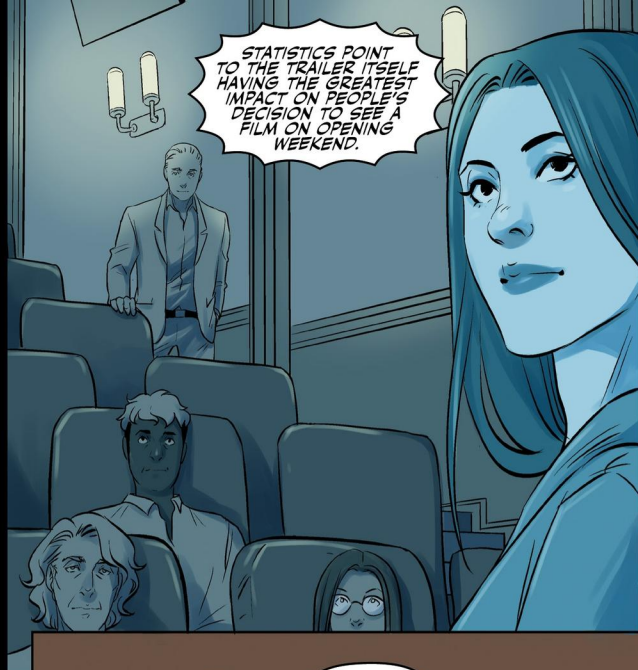
I KNOW PEOPLE ARE TRICKLING IN, BUT LET'S GET STARTED, SHALL WE?

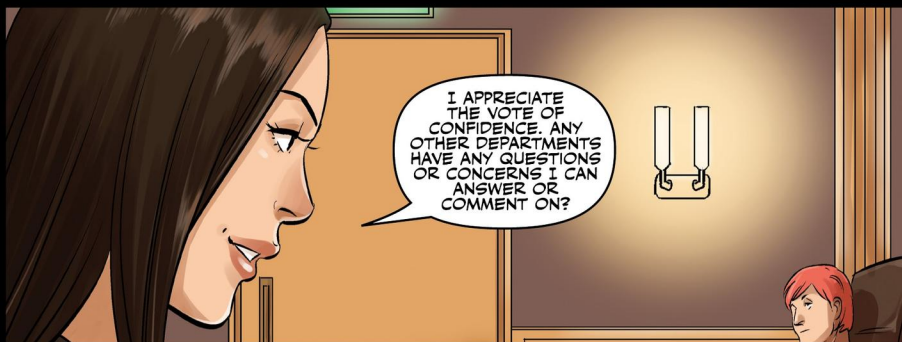
I'M CATHY CHANG, MANY OF YOU KNOW ME ALREADY. FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS WE'VE DONE A SERIES OF TRAILERS FOR YOUR FILMS.

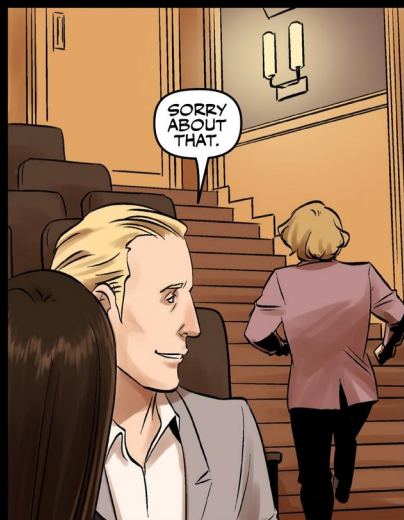
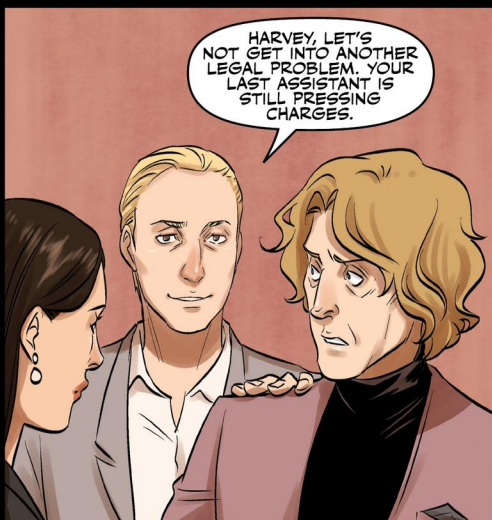
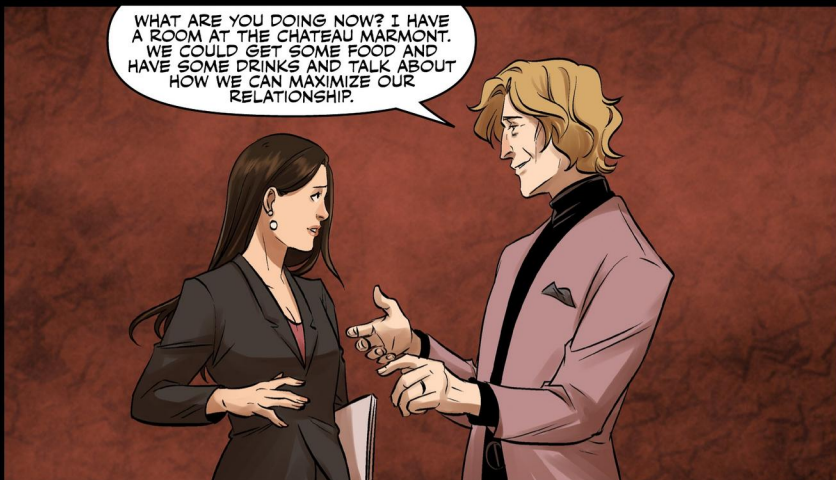
SINCE YOU'RE IN THE FILM BUSINESS, I THOUGHT IT APPROPRIATE MY TEAM PUT TOGETHER A SHORT FILM TO SHOW WHAT I'M PITCHING, RATHER THAN JUST TALKING AT YOU.

HERE WE GO.

IN MANY WAYS, THE MARKETING TRAILER OF A FILM CAN BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE FILM ITSELF.









I NEED TO TELL DAN I RAN INTO CLINT. WE AGREED TO THAT AND IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

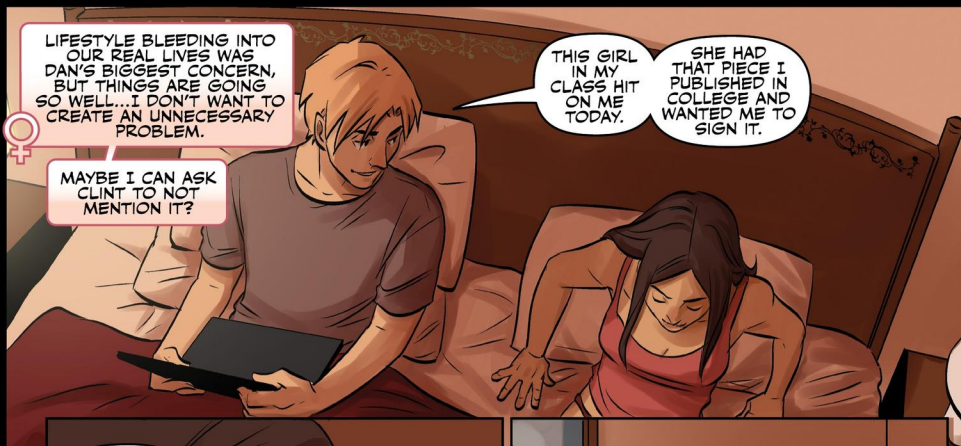


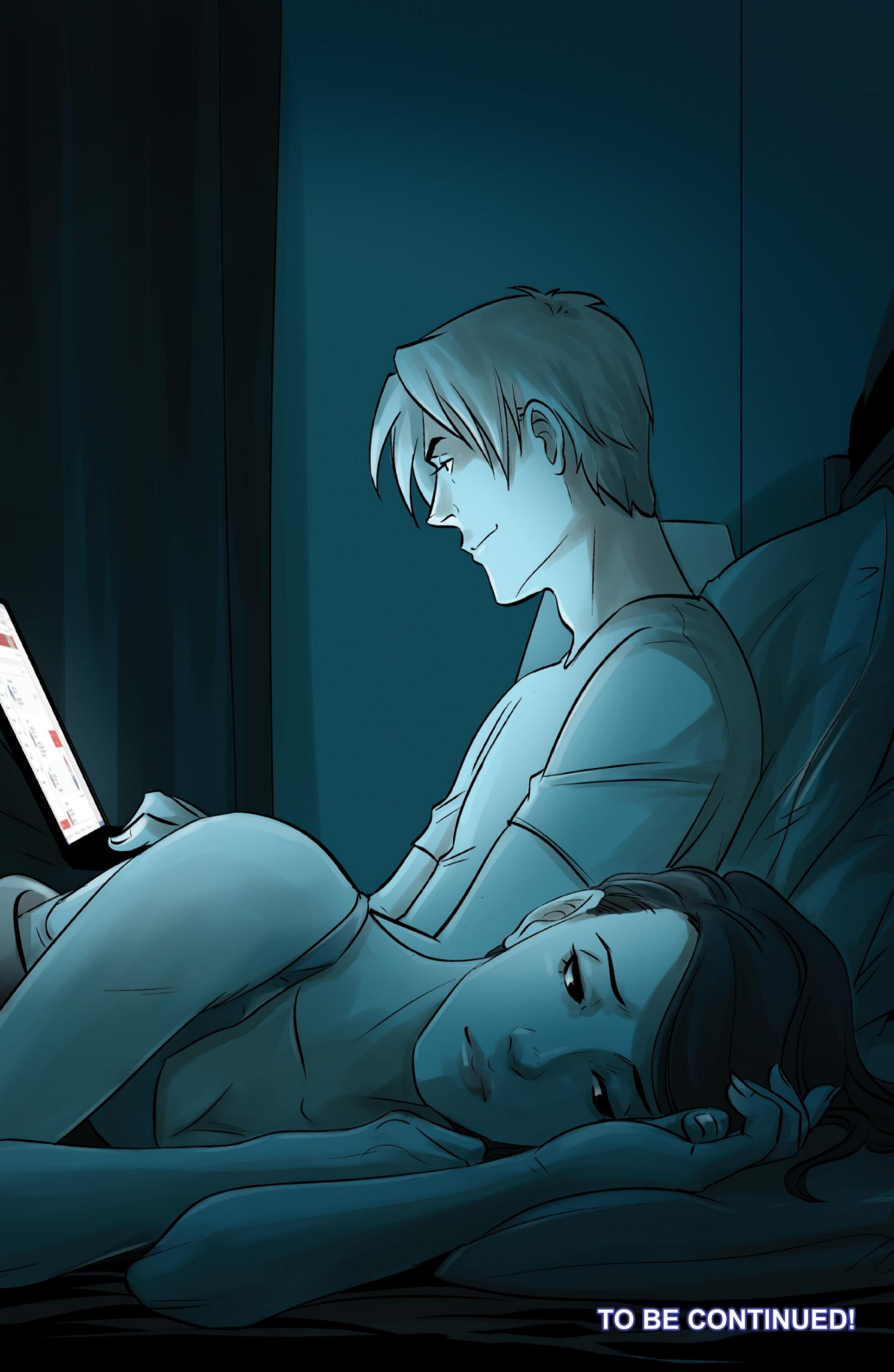
HEY, BABE. HOW WAS YOUR PRESENTATION?

IT WENT WELL. I THINK WE'LL GET IT.

THAT'S FANTASTIC, CONGRATS! I'VE BEEN RESEARCHING SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AT ALL THE PUBLISHERS. I SHOULD BE DONE WITH THIS BOOK IN A FEW MONTHS AND WANT TO BE READY.

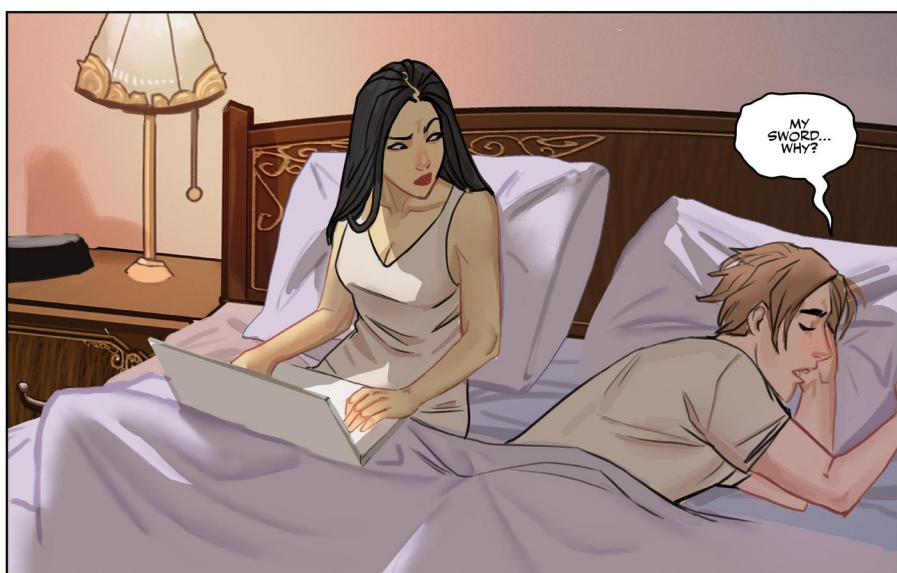
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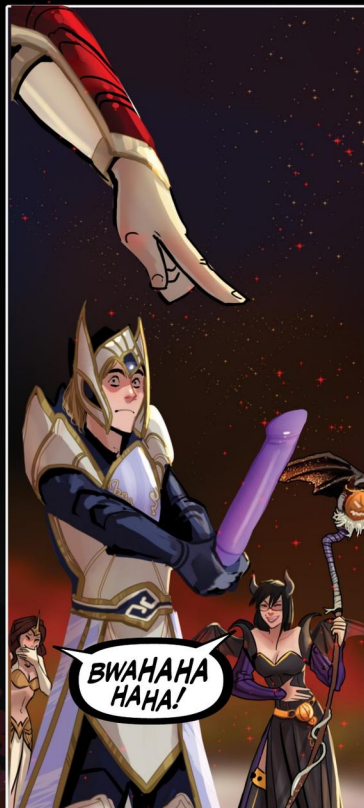
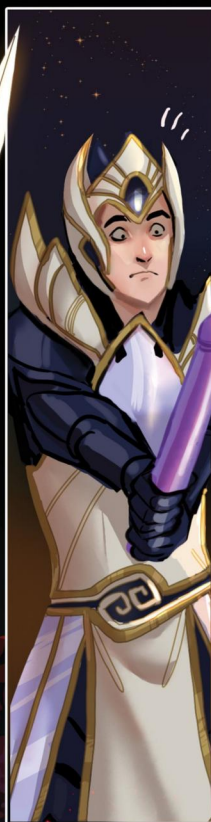
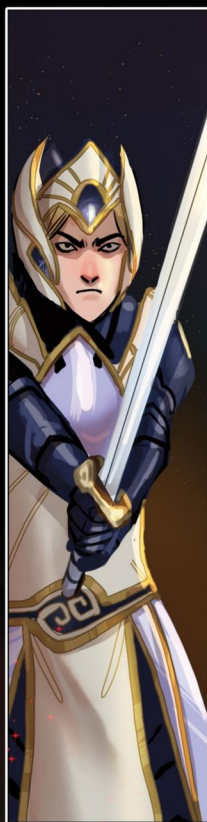




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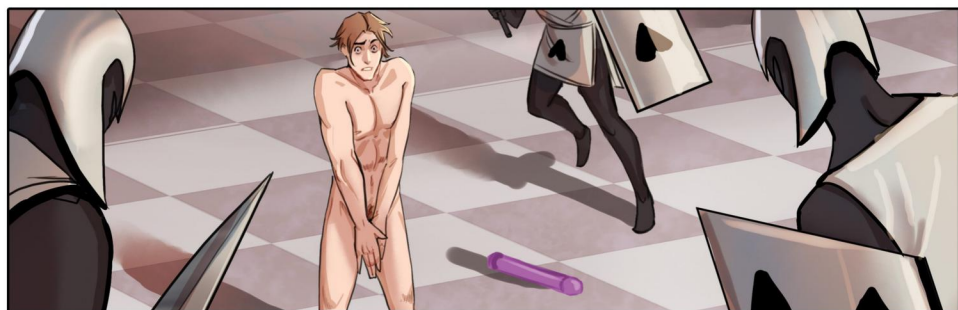
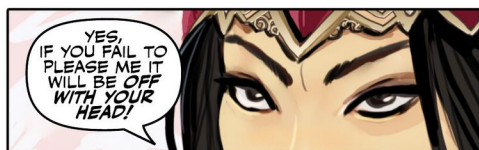
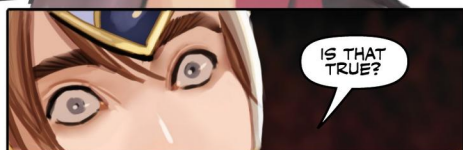
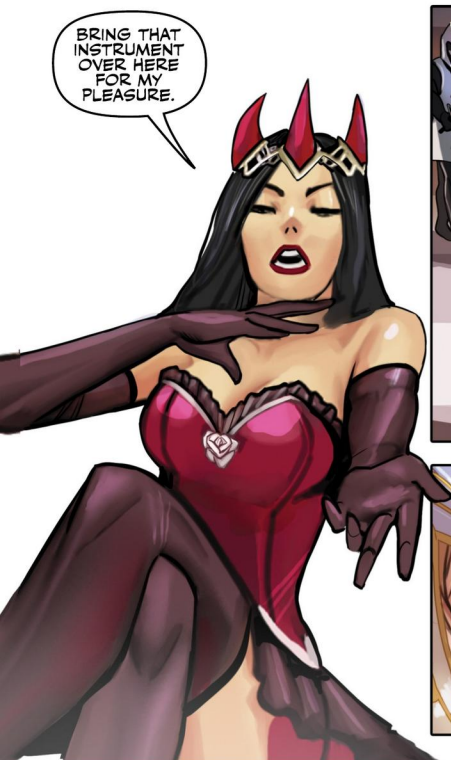


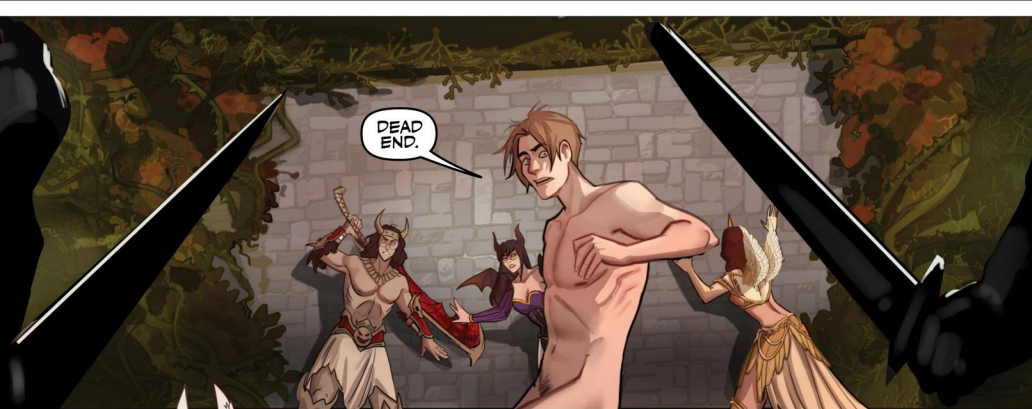
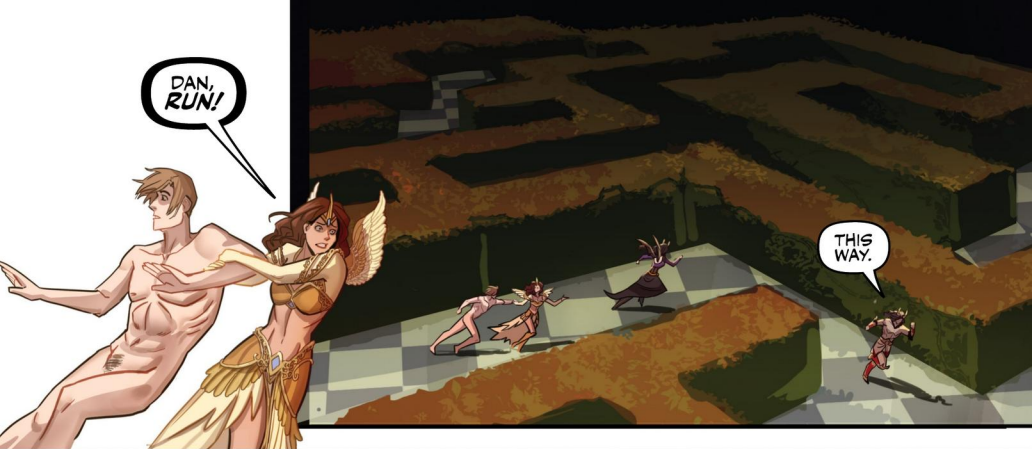


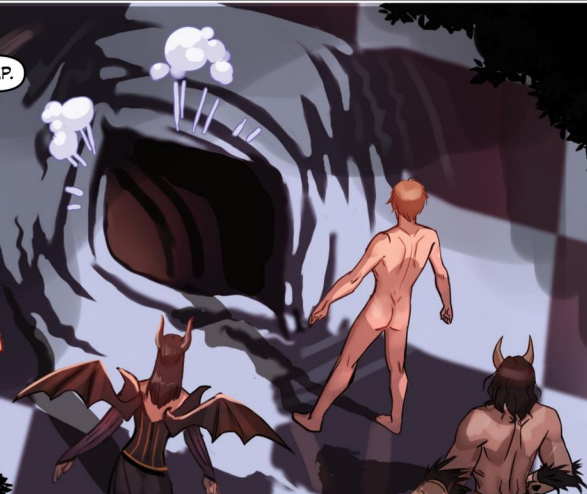
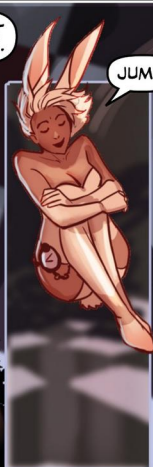
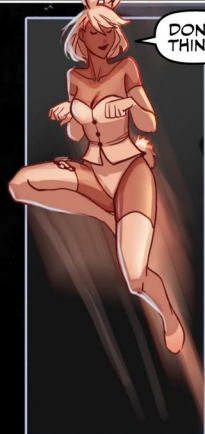
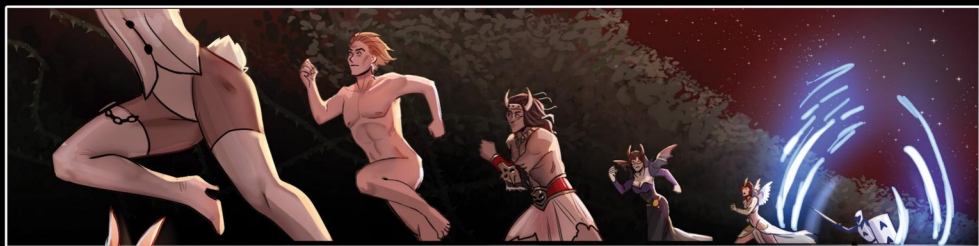


MY.
MY.

WHAT DO
WE HAVE
HERE?



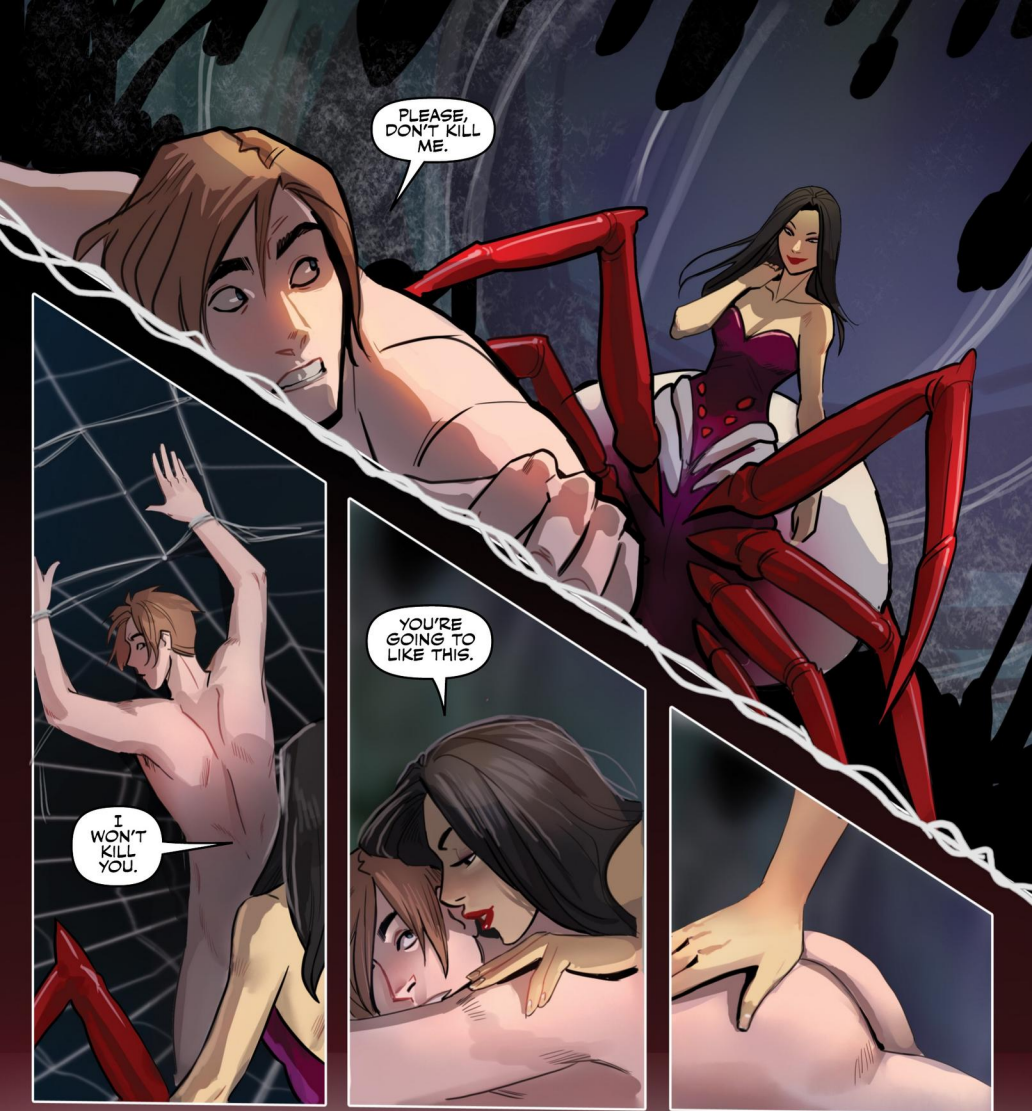






THERE
YOU
ARE.

RIGHT
WHERE
I WANT
YOU.



AHH?!



MMMM.





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SEX ED

Welcome to Volume 2 of SWING! The first volume was more about Cathy and Dan's relationship with each other, this volume delves into actual swinging with couples, parties and club experiences.



I'D NEVER BEEN
WITH A WOMAN
BEFORE ALL THIS.



THE IDEA OF CATHY
HAVING SEX WITH
OTHER MEN
TERRIFIES ME.

NARRATIVE

We have more of the his and her narrative boxes in this volume. I like narrative because it explores the space between what characters say and what they're thinking. As a writer, I find the differences there fascinating. In the first few drafts I wrote for this volume I had a LOT more narrative and I ended up stripping out most of it. It slowed the pacing down and was somewhat repetitive of what was shown in the art. Having the characters explain what we can clearly see in the artwork either by facial expression or the setting is a classic writer 101 fail.

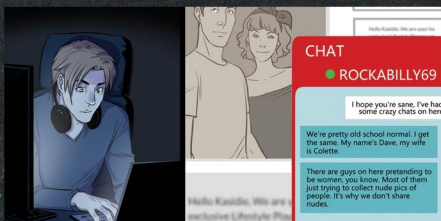
Most of the narrative I kept was Cathy's. This is intentional as she is the one spearheading the lifestyle. It also is more about her journey and her trying to find a balance in her life.

FEMALE-LED SWINGING COUPLES MORE SUCCESSFUL

There are no hard statistics on this, but I've spoken and interviewed hundreds of swinger couples at this point and most of the longer-term ones have told me that the woman initiated the idea of it. What I included as the reasoning in the story is conjecture on my part. I really don't know. When I asked people why they never really had a good answer. It's a little less "skeevy" when the woman is on point though. That's not a great word to describe it, but I can't think of a better one.

DAN CHATTING PRETENDING HE IS CATHY

I won't out anyone, but I know someone who does this. He claims it makes him feel more comfortable about the guy and the whole experience. That line in the book where Dan talks about how he needs to like the guy for it to work is a real thing that I've heard from many male swingers in the couple.



All the conversations Dan has on this page are actual conversations people shared with me.

SITUATIONS IN THIS BOOK REALISTIC?

The big debate about slice-of-life stories is always, are they realistic? Every swinging scene in this book, and all the fights the couple had as part of it, were either related to me by people or personally witnessed by me. There is always the eyewitness bias, but this is about as realistic as you can get...warts and all. I tried to show some of the emotional hurdles and problems people have embarking on this. Jealousy is a HUGE issue and springs up for people that have even been doing this for years. People do break up over swinging, but this is usually because they started doing it for the wrong reasons. The worst reason to swing is to try and salvage a relationship. These situations will magnify both the flaws and strengths of a relationship. It isn't for most people. If this is something you're interested in trying, take it slow and be open and honest about your thoughts and feelings. I had the characters say this in multiple places and almost stripped some of it out for repetitiveness but decided not to since it's so central and key to this whole lifestyle.

FAKES AND FLAKES

This is the number one complaint I hear from people in the lifestyle. I've never actually done online dating myself, so it could be very similar to issues people have with regular online dating...feel free to share your war stories on my Twitter or Facebook I'd love to hear them! The single dudes collecting pictures was one of the more fascinating things I came across. Some guys apparently have zero interest in meeting anyone but get off on getting these couples or the woman to share nude pics. This is dishonest so I categorize this as not consensual and is uncool. The flakes just don't show up or "ghost" people. I wonder if this is people that were fakes and decided to flake, but who knows. I've heard war stories about both.

SINGLE PEOPLE INTO COUPLES

This is a real thing and the unicorn title for single girls made me laugh so hard when someone explained it to me that I had to share it in the story. Every culture, hobby and subculture has its own language. It was interesting discovering the language of swinging. The unicorns, when real, are often women recently out of a long-term relationship and they are looking to have some fun without it being anything serious. So the key to them is to strike before they couple back up or you might miss a narrow window of opportunity.

COUPLES PLAYING APART

Some couples will play separately. This means the woman or man will hook up with a couple or other people as an individual even though they have a partner. Sometimes "partners" are not actually in a relationship but "friends with benefits" that seek out these kinds of encounters together. For a couple like Dan and Cathy, playing apart would never be an option and they would likely prefer couples in a longer-term relationship. Equal stakes is key. If they are both married or in a long-term relationship then they both have more to lose if things go bad or if anyone develops an emotional attachment. Sometimes emotional attachments are part of what people are looking for, but that's more polyamory or an open relationship. There is no cookie cutter way of doing this, every couple decides what their own boundaries are.



SWINGERS ARE NOT ASHAMED OF WHAT THEY DO

Part of the reason SWING and SUNSTONE are so successful is that the people who enjoy this type of lifestyle are not ashamed of what they do, and they support a sex-positive version of what they practice. I guarantee you know at least one swinger couple, but they'd never tell you unless they knew you wouldn't think less of them for it. Some lifestyle couples are very open about it and everyone knows. Others are secretive and keep that part of their lives compartmentalized. To each their own, whatever makes people happy is fine with me as long as it's consensual and doesn't involve animals, children or serious injury (or death).

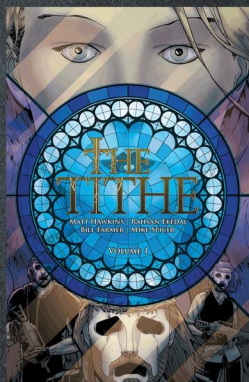
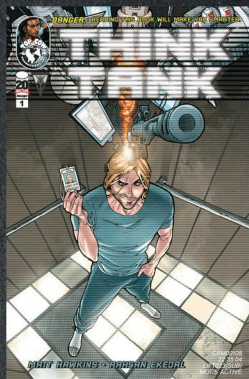
FREQUENCY

How often do people swing? This is again couple-specific. I've met couples that do it as an annual thing just to scratch that itch. I've also met couples that do it every week and it's a way of life for them or a hobby. There are no easy answers to any of these questions so again, if you want to try this please take it slow and have LOTS of communication.

MY OTHER BOOKS

If SWING is the only book of mine you've ever read, thank you! I appreciate your support. Try one of my others, though. I've written so many. You can also read the first issues of many of our other books here for free to try them before buying:

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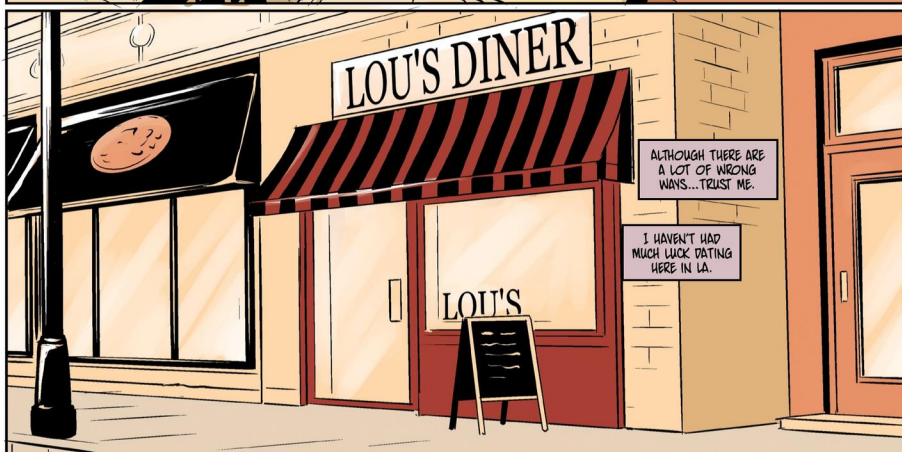
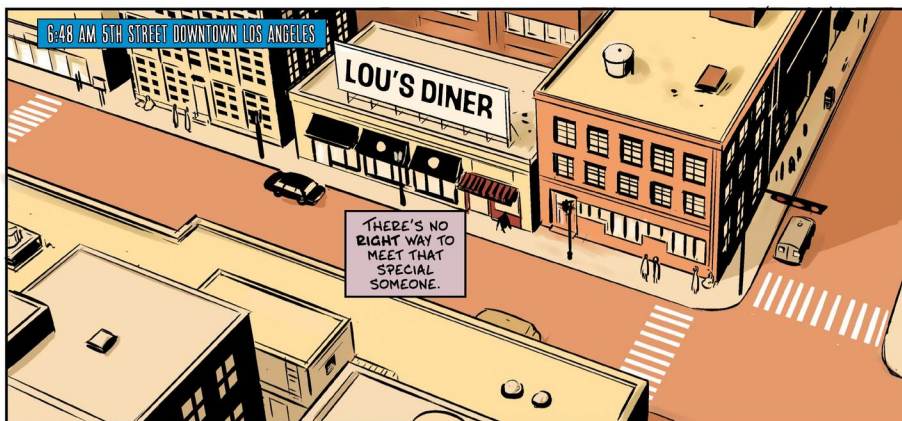
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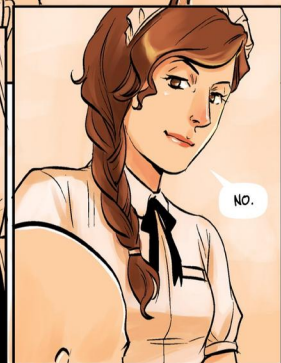
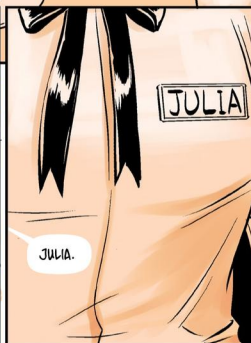
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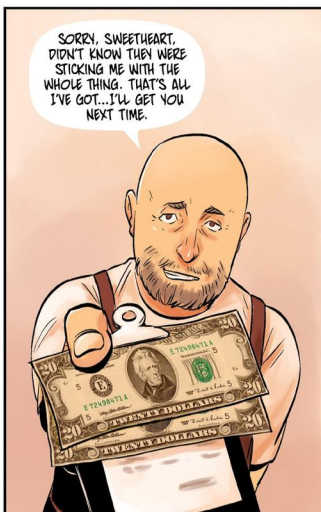
I WANT TO BELIEVE IN LOVE,
LIKE THE SONG SAYS...BUT
REAL LOVE AND WHAT WE
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THE SAME THING.

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ENOUGH, THANKS.
SWEETHEART.

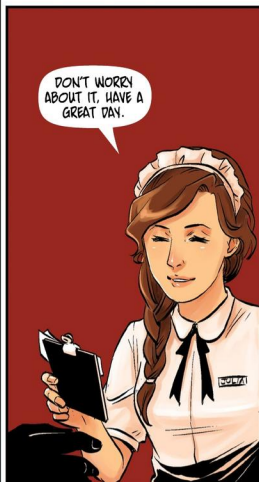




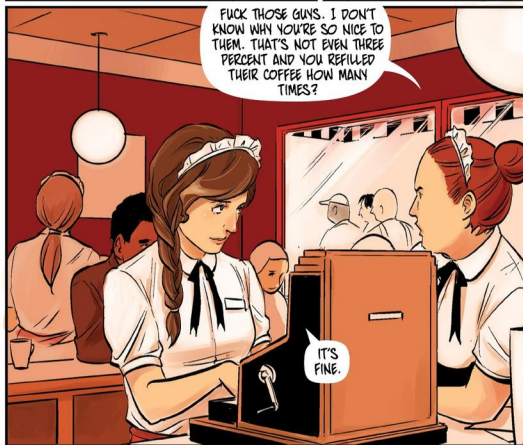
THESE CONSTRUCTION GUYS ARE IN HERE A COUPLE TIMES A WEEK.



SORRY, SWEETHEART. DIDN'T KNOW THEY WERE STICKING ME WITH THE WHOLE THING. THAT'S ALL I'VE GOT...I'LL GET YOU NEXT TIME.



DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, HAVE A GREAT DAY.

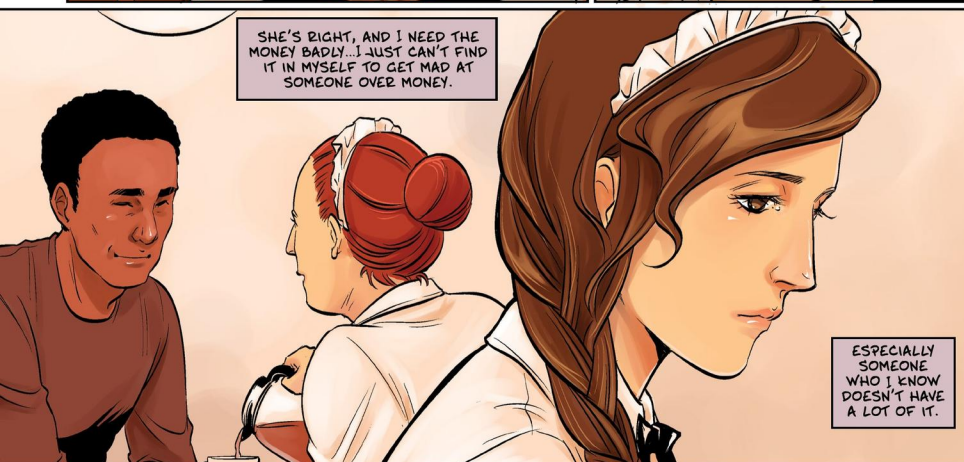


FUCK THOSE GUYS. I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU'RE SO NICE TO THEM. THAT'S NOT EVEN THREE PERCENT AND YOU REFILLED THEIR COFFEE HOW MANY TIMES?

IT'S FINE.



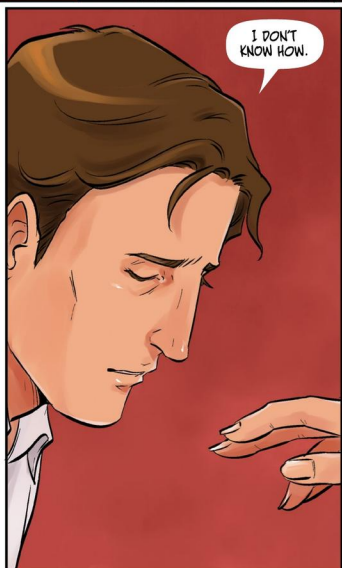
NO...IT'S NOT. YOU'RE PAYING TAXES ON EIGHT PERCENT. THEY TIP THAT LOW IT'S ACTUALLY COSTING YOU MONEY.



SHE'S RIGHT, AND I NEED THE MONEY BADLY...I JUST CAN'T FIND IT IN MYSELF TO GET MAD AT SOMEONE OVER MONEY.

ESPECIALLY SOMEONE WHO I KNOW DOESN'T HAVE A LOT OF IT.



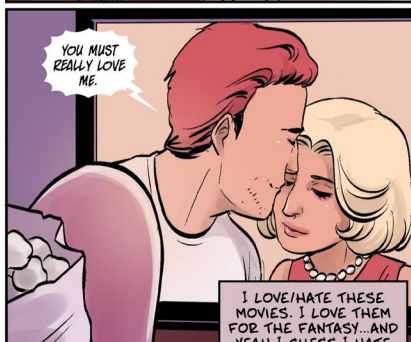


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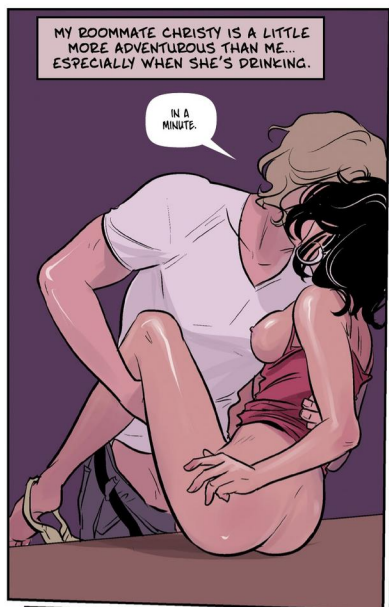
THESE MOVIES ARE ALWAYS SO UNREALISTIC.

OH, TREVOR, YOU FLEW ALL THIS WAY TO SUPPORT ME.

UNRST





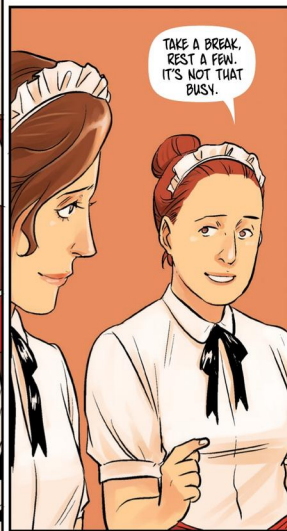




YAWN.

LATE NIGHT?
WHO'S THE LUCKY
GUY?

MY ROOMMATE
HAD SOME GUN
OVER...THEY WERE
LOUD.

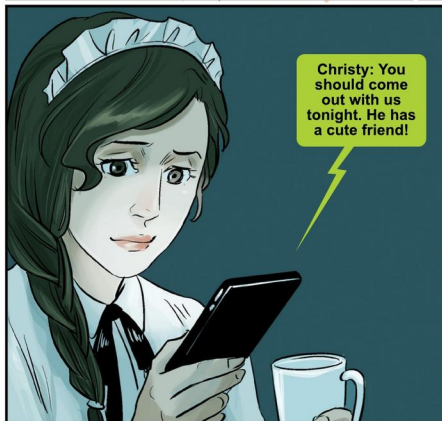


TAKE A BREAK.
REST A FEW.
IT'S NOT THAT
BUSY.

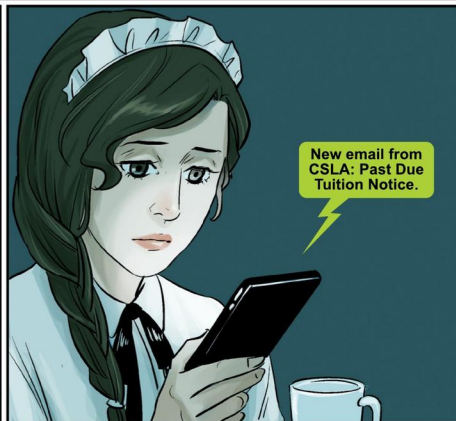


Two new
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you there on the
couch right away.

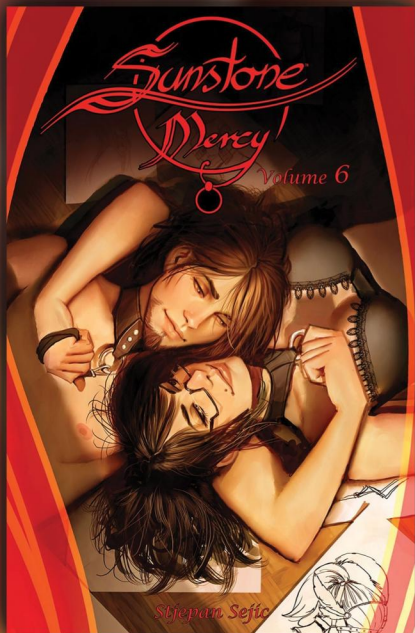


Christy: You
should come
out with us
tonight. He has
a cute friend!



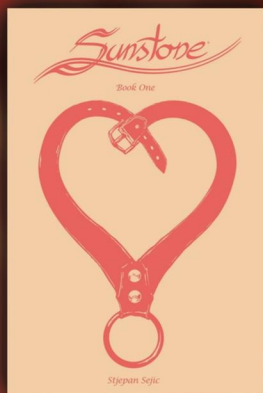
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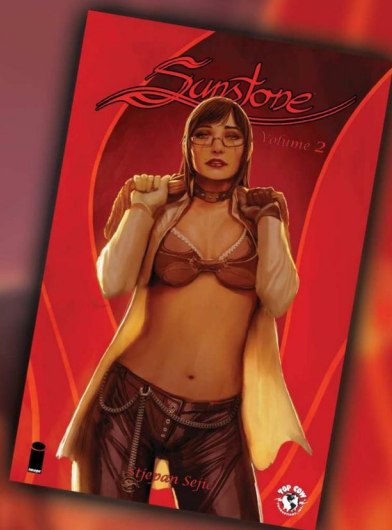
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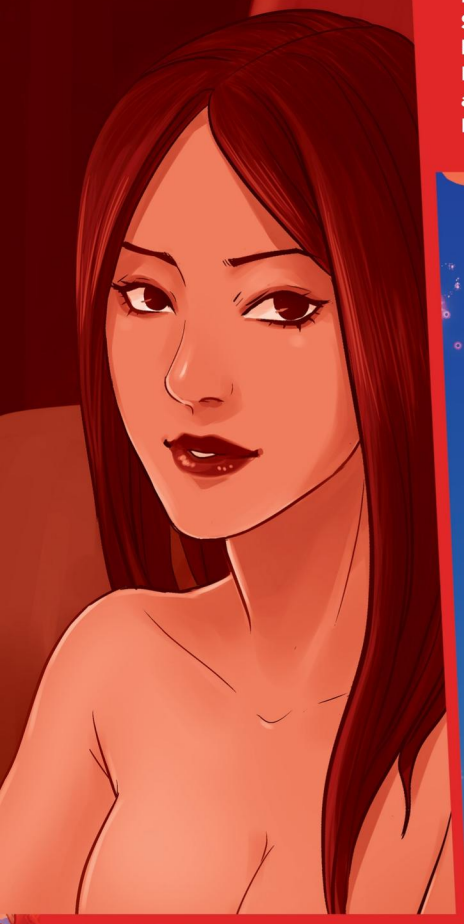
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