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By Carrie Slaton



BEEP BEEP BEEEP

IT CAN'T BE TIME
ALREADY.



**BEEP
BEEP**

IT'S NOT
POSSIBLE...



NOT ANOTHER DAY
OF THAT JOB! I'LL
GO CRAZY!



SMACK

BEEP

ALRIGHT
ALREADY!





I WISH I WAS ANYWHERE BUT HERE.



WHOA!!

CRASH
CRASH

AIDAN SLOWLY REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS...



I'M AFRAID TO SEE THE DAMAGE.



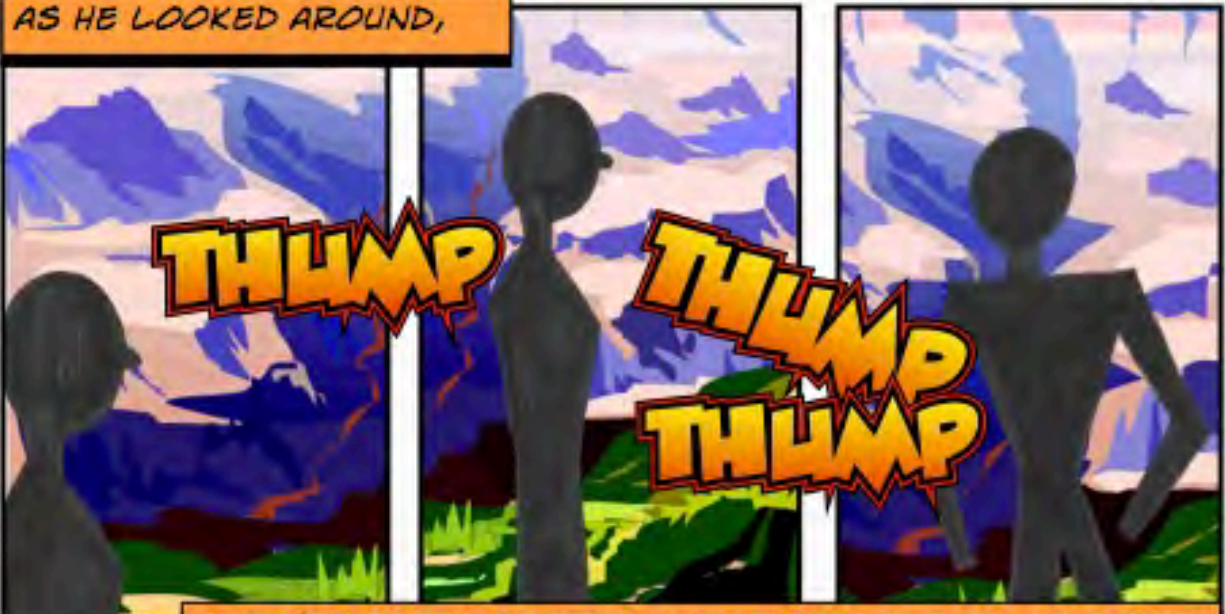
WASP



HOW DID...?

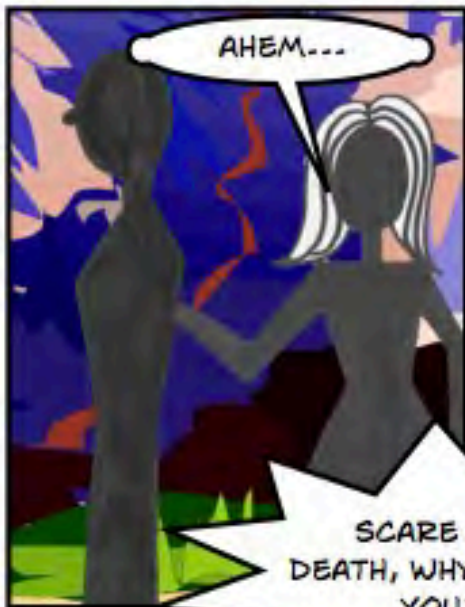
WHAT THE...?

AS HE LOOKED AROUND,

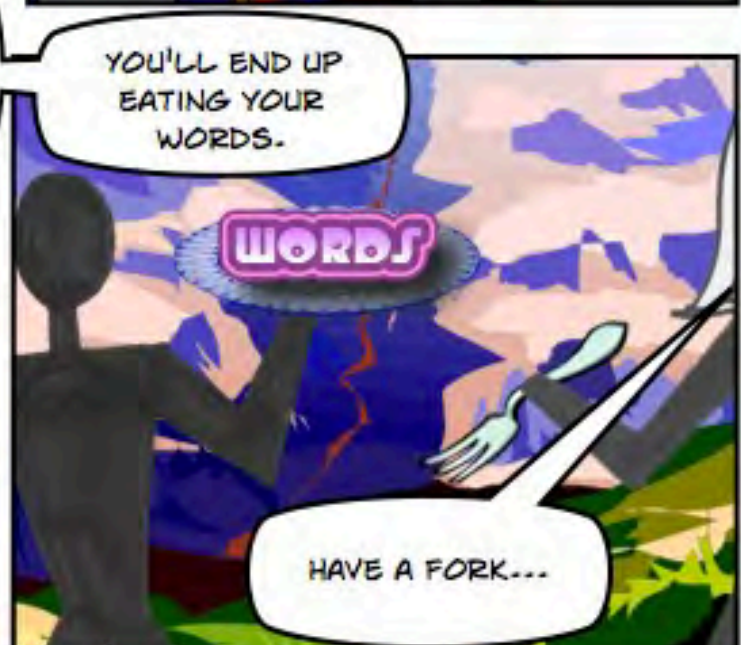
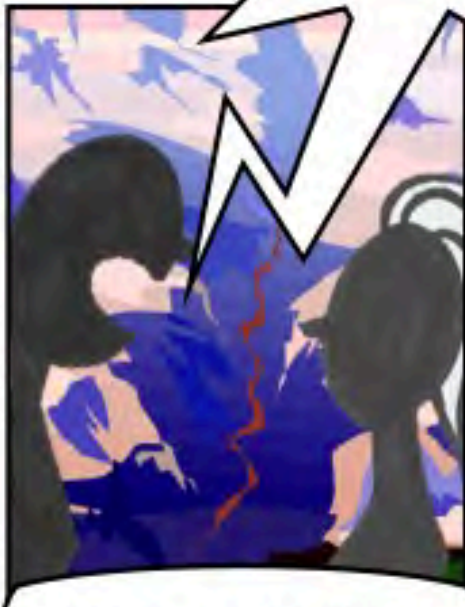


AIDAN'S HEART WAS TRYING TO THUMP OUT OF HIS CHEST

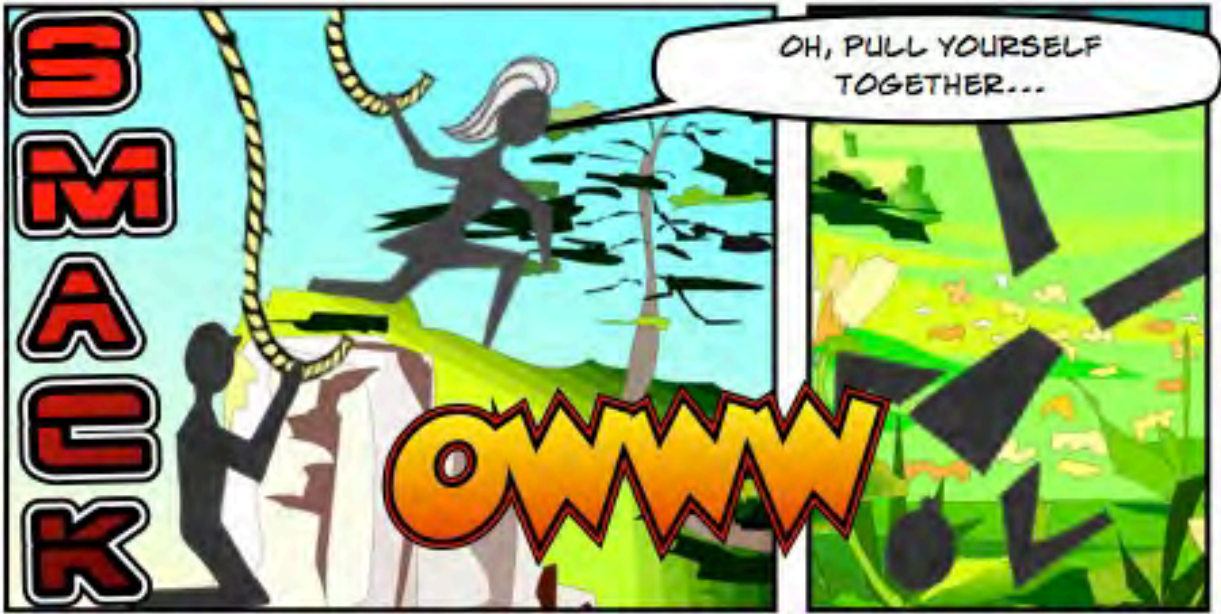




SCARE ME TO DEATH, WHY DON'T YOU?!







AFTER WALKING FOR MILES...





AIDAN FROZE...

RUSTLE

HOW DID YOU...?

OH NO! I'M SORRY!
I SHOULDN'T HAVE SAID THAT!



WE HAVE TO BE VERY CAREFUL OF WHAT WE SAY AROUND HERE.

WHOOOOSH!



WHOA!

HOW DID THAT HAPPEN?

Hiss

Hiss

IF WE AFFECT TOO MUCH WITHOUT ACTIVELY CREATING IT OURSELVES, THE WORLD GETS...OUT OF CONTROL



YOU SHOULDN'T BE HERE, YOU SHOULD GO!

WALK OUT THE DOOR!

GO!



BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP

AIDAN WOKE WITH A START

NO. NO. NO. NO.
NOO!

IT HAD TO BE
REAL... IT FELT SO
REAL...

IT WAS ALL SO
FAMILIAR...

AND THEN IT DAWNED ON HIM

I
IMAGINED IT ALL
WHEN I WAS A BOY!

I
CREATED THAT
WORLD!

THAT'S AN INTERESTING
THOUGHT! I'VE GOT TO
GET BACK THERE!



MONDAY

EVERYDAY AIDAN TRIED TO GET BACK TO THAT WORLD



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY



THURSDAY

HE JUST COULDN'T FIGURE OUT THE RIGHT THING... UNTIL...



FRIDAY



I'VE GOT IT!!

NEVE SAID YOU HAVE TO
ACTIVELY CREATE THINGS IN
LIFE...

**BANG
BANG
BANG**

PHEW!

THIS. WILL. WORK

CREAK

I DID IT!

I AM JUST THE
BEE'S KNEES!

BZZZZ

AAAAH! I TAKE IT BACK! I
TAKE IT BACK!



OW. I GUESS I NEED TO BE MORE CAREFUL...I CAN HANDLE IT, THOUGH

THE WORLD IS MY PLAYGROUND!



WHAT A RUSH!



I COULD FLY HIGHER THAN A KITE!



OR MAKE PIGS FLY!

OH, I'M ON CLOUD NINE!



OR...



UH. OH.

WHAT HAVE I DONE?!

I THOUGHT I COULD CONTROL MYSELF. IT WAS JUST TOO TEMPTING.



PANT
GASP

WITH ALL HIS ENERGY WASTED...



AIDAN CRAWLED INTO BED



NEVE'S GOING TO
KILL ME.



URGH, I
DESPISE THAT
CLOCK...

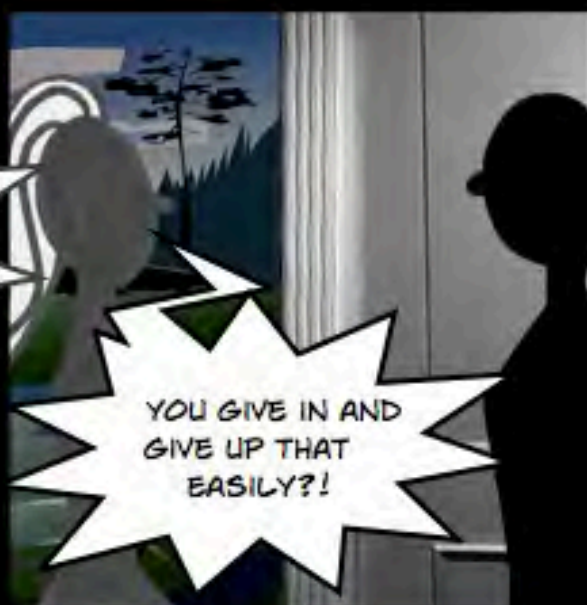


OH MY POOR HEAD
IS THROBBING!



I SHOULD HAVE LISTENED TO
HER... NOTHING COMES FOR
FREE.

WHAT AM I GOING TO
DO?





WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO ABOUT IT?!



I JUST DISCOVERED THIS PLACE!

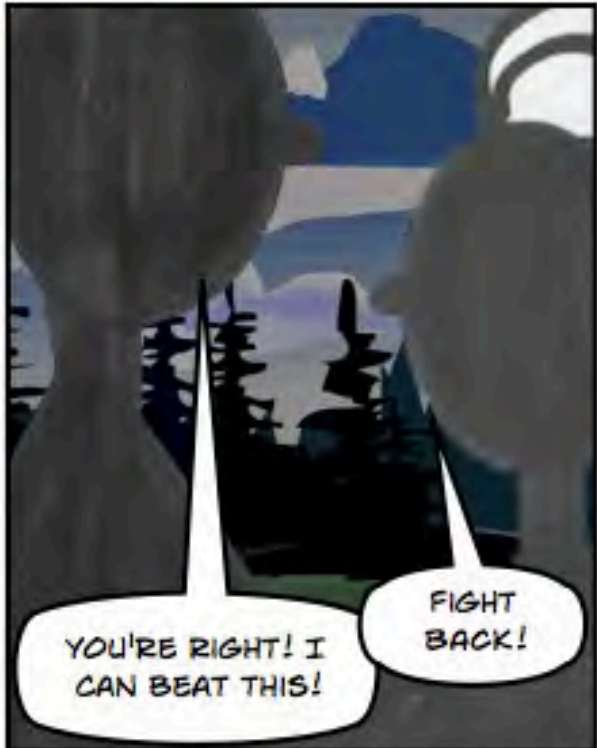
YOU MADE THIS MESS, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN FIX IT.



I CAN'T EVEN GET MY OWN LIFE TOGETHER. HOW CAN I FIX YOURS?...

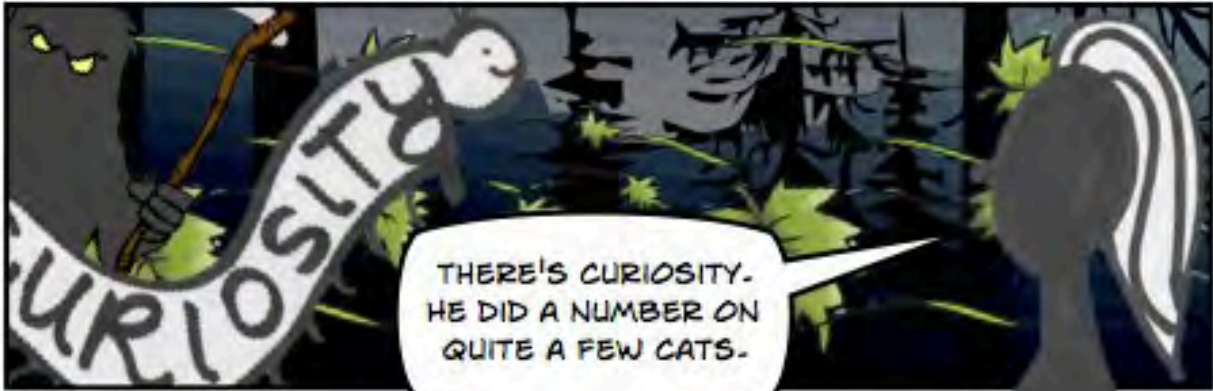


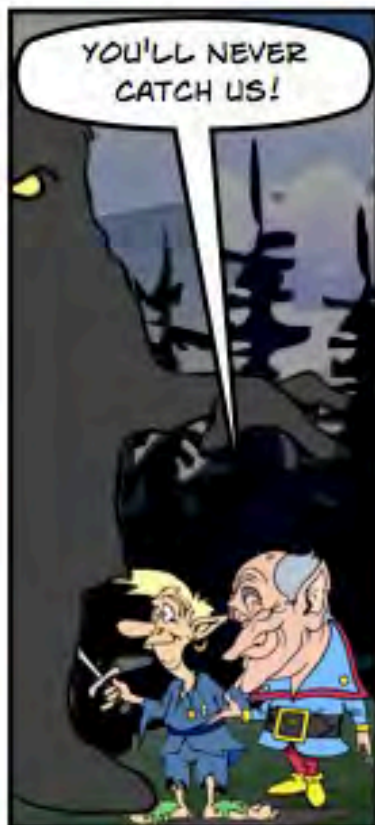
AIDAN, YOU HAVE TO TRY. TAKE CONTROL!



YOU'RE RIGHT! I CAN BEAT THIS!

FIGHT BACK!









I CAN'T BELIEVE WE DID IT!



JUST AS AIDAN AWOKE, HE RECEIVED A CALL FROM HIS BOSS...

BRRRING BRRRING



AIDAN!? WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN!? YOU'RE GOING TO GET FIRED!

I QUIT!

WHAT?! YOU'LL QUIT WHEN PIGS FLY!

FUNNY YOU SHOULD SAY THAT...