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I-- HAD ANOTHER DREAM ABOUT DADDY LAST NIGHT... H-HHE WAS SO BIG AND STRONG!

JUST LIKE THE PICTURES YOU DRAW FOR ME.

Momma?

When do you think I'll get to see Daddy?

WELL... MAYBE NOT TODAY, TIFANNY.

BUT... But soon... Really soon.

We'll see him one day, Tiffany.

He's coming. I know he is!

We'll wait as long as it takes.

i-I think... HE'LL BE HERE...

...FOR MY BIRTHDAY.

Tiffany: two years old and KNOWS how to READ!

b-BECAUSE I HEARD--

LAHDEE 'GIYAH...



HI, CRES.

AUNT CRESCENS!

FORGIVE INTZERRUPCHUN, LAHDEE GIYAH.

IE AHM SZORREE TZO REPORTZ NEWSZ.

SZAHN NEWSZ.



WH-WHAT'S WRONG, CRES?

OBLIVEEON DOESZ. NAHTZ LISZEN TZO UHZ.

OBLIVEEON DOESZ NAHTZ HAUHLTZ.

TZOO YEERSZ HAHVE PAHSZED, AHND WE CONTZINUE TZO MOVE...

...WE DON' KNOW WHERE WE AHRE.

LAHDEE GIYAH... WE AHRE LOSTZ.



SO... IF WE
DON'T KNOW
WHERE WE
ARE...

...WE DON'T
KNOW HOW
TO GET ME
AND TIFANNY
HOME.

MOMMA?

I'M AFRAID
IT'S A BIT
MORE COMPLEX
THAN THAT,
BRITANNY.



J-JON...

I'VE BEEN STUDYING
OUR MOVEMENT...
OBLIVION'S PATH
THROUGH THIS
DIMENSION.

THE STARS WE SEE
BEGAN TO "MOVE" AFTER
YOU DEFEATED THE
LICH KING, BRITANNY.

BUT THEY
WEREN'T
SPEEDING
UP...

THE PLANETOID
IS SLOWING
DOWN.

WHAT DOES
THAT MEAN?

Momma?



BRITANNY...

...I-IT MEANS TIME
IS SPEEDING UP FOR
US... IN RELATION
TO TIME AT HOME
ON EARTH.

BY MY ESTIMATION, ONLY
HALF A DAY HAS PASSED
THERE, WHILE TWO YEARS
HAVE PASSED HERE.

I SUSPECT WE'LL BOTH
BE ASH AND DUST BEFORE
A RESCUE PARTY FINDS
A WAY TO REACH US.

BRITANNY...
I'M SORRY.
I DON'T THINK
THERE IS A WAY
FOR US HOME
NOW.

B-BUT... THAT'S
NOT WHAT
OBIVEANNE
SAID!



TIFANNY?

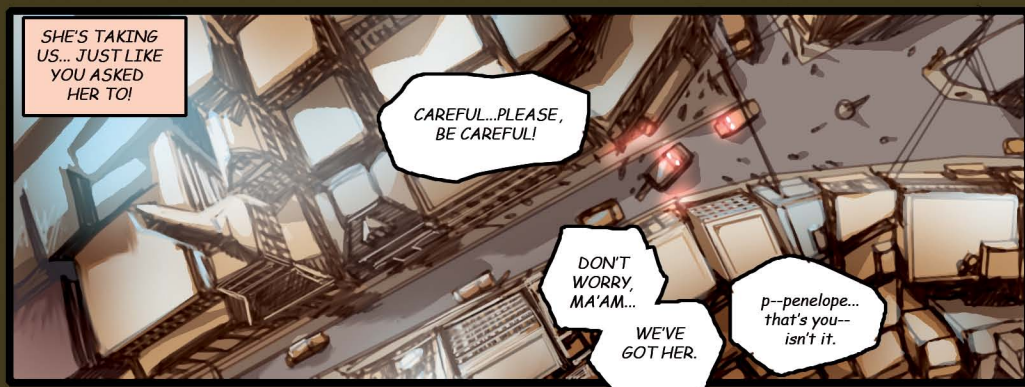
OBIVEANNE
TOLD ME, MOMMA!
SHE TOLD ME SHE'S
MOVING AS FAST
AS SHE CAN!

PRETTY SOON,
SHE'LL BE ABLE
TO TRAVEL
INTO KWASEE-
SPACE, A-AND THEN...
AND THEN SHE
CAN GET TO OUR
DEEMENSHUN!



T- TIFANNY??
HOW IN
THE--

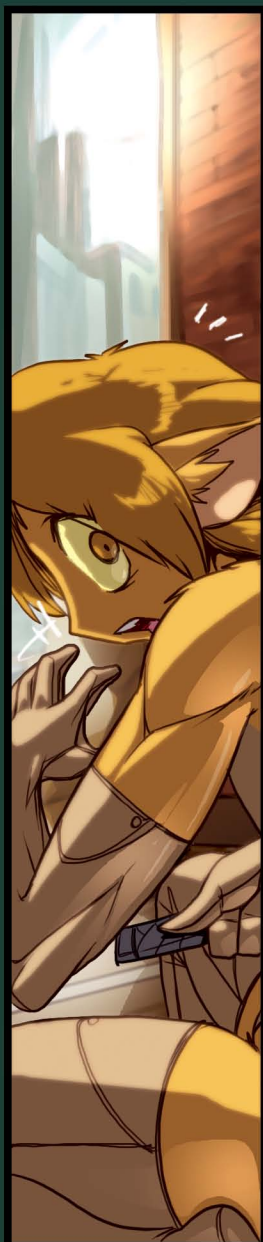
SHE'S TAKING
US TO SEE DADDY!!!





"THE BATTLE
HAS ALREADY
BEGUN!"

IN ANOTHER PART OF AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND...



BLACK GATE PART 2

TEACHER...
I'M SO GLAD
YOU'RE NOT
HERE TO
SEE THIS.

TO SEE THIS
FAILURE.

TO SEE YOUR
VERY FIRST
PUPIL RESORT
TO **VICIOUS
BRUTALITY.**

BUT I CAN THINK
OF NO OTHER WAY
TO **CONVINCE**
THESE WERE-
RATS!

I HAVE TO
MAKE THEM
FEAR ME.

I **MUST**
BECOME **THEIR**
MONSTER!

I CAN'T AFFORD
TO GIVE THEM THE
SLIGHTEST CHANCE
OF ESCAPING!

I HAVE TO
FORCE THEM TO
LEAD THE
WAY TO THEIR
SECRET CITY,
"DARK HOME!"

I HAVE TO
FORCE THEM TO
LEAD US TO THE
CITY'S LORD,
GOTHWRAIN...
THE ONLY BEING
ON EARTH WHO
KNOWS HOW
TO RESCUE
BRITANNY!

AS YOU CAN
SEE, I'M FINISHED
PLAYING GAMES.

DROP YOUR
WEAPONS.

NOW!



Now!!!

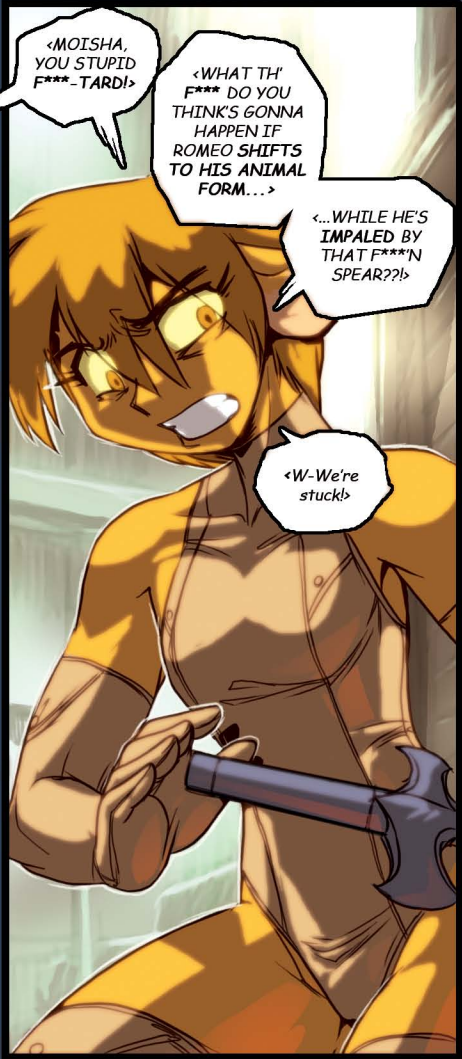
<H-HEY! WEDGIE-BOY!* Like... WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM?> **

<TRANSFORM 'N' GET AWAY FROM 'IM OR SUM'N>

<NO!!!>

*THE TRIO ONLY HAD "FERRAS-A" WERE-RAT ASSASSIN ARMOR AVAILABLE AND WHILE VERY FLEXIBLE, IT'S NORMALLY WORN BY FEMALES AND IS CURRENTLY RIDING UP ROMEO'S BACKSIDE...

**TRANSLATED FROM WERE-RAT.



<MOISHA, YOU STUPID F***-TARDI>

<WHAT TH' F*** DO YOU THINK'S GONNA HAPPEN IF ROMEO SHIFTS TO HIS ANIMAL FORM...>

<...WHILE HE'S IMPALED BY THAT F***'N SPEAR??>

<W-We're stuck>



...Okay. You win.

B-be cause of ME...

We... give up.

just don't hurt him anymore.



LYDIA AND MOISHA ARE GOING TO BE CAPTURED...

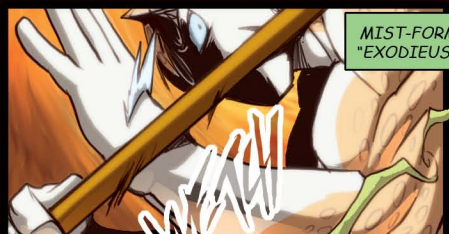
...GOING TO BE HURT...

...B-BECAUSE OF... me...



NO!!!

NEVER!!!



MIST-FORM:
"EXODIEUS"???



HE CAN CHANGE
INTO AND OUT
OF MIST-FORM
TO MOVE AND
EVADE!!!

BUT ONLY
ARCH MAGIC-
USERS CAN
CAST TH--

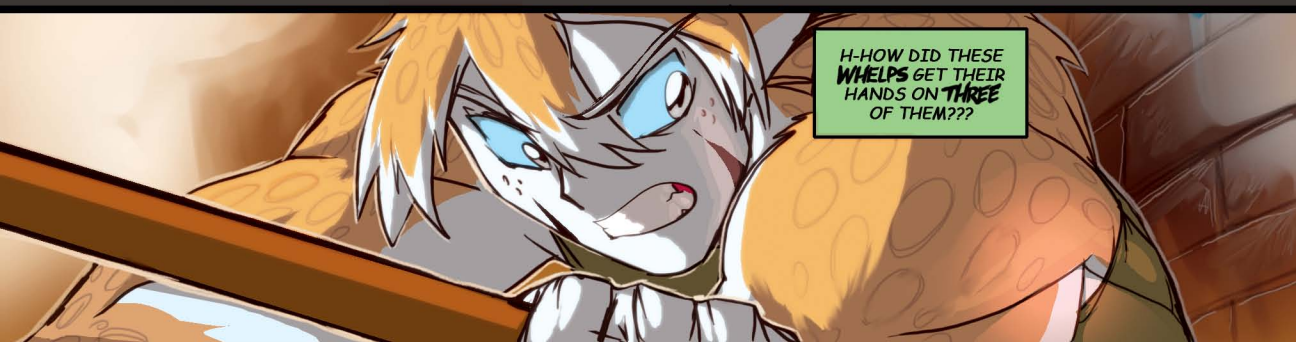
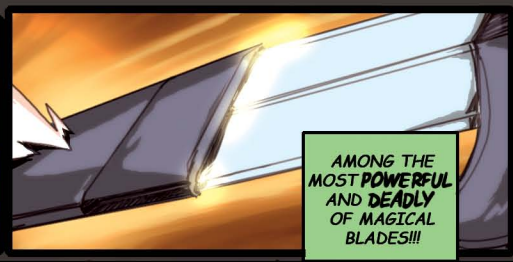
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IT'S
THAT
WEAPON!

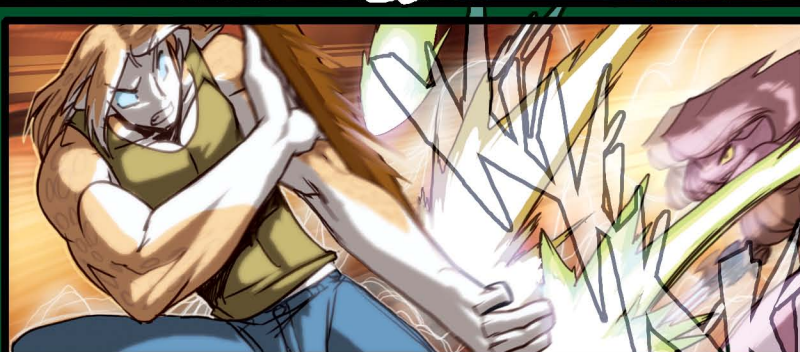


BY THE
JASPER!
HE HAS A
"SOUL EDGE!"

HOLY \$#!&!!!
THAT'S WHAT
THOSE %\$#IN
THINGS DO???







HER SPEED...
COMBINED WITH
THE OTHERS'
ELUSIVENESS...

I CAN'T LET
THEM HAVE
A SINGLE
OPENING!

IF ONLY I COULD TAKE
ONE OF THEIR WEAPONS...
BUT A "SOUL EDGE" ONLY
OBEYS ITS OWNER...

HOWEVER,
I CAN
DISARM ONE
OF THEM!

like... HE'S
TOO GOOD!
I CAN'T
GET IN!!!

I'M LIKE...
TOTALLY
DENIED
HERE!

THEY **DO** CARE
ABOUT ONE ANOTHER,
SO I CAN TAKE
ONE HOSTAGE!

FORCING THE
OTHERS TO DO
AS I... as i wish...

A MONSTER...
I **HAVE** BECOME
A MONSTER!

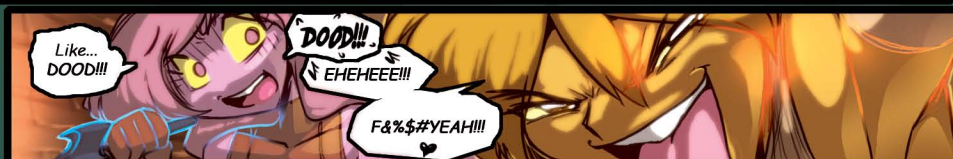
BUT... I CAN'T...
I WON'T FAIL
BRITANNY!

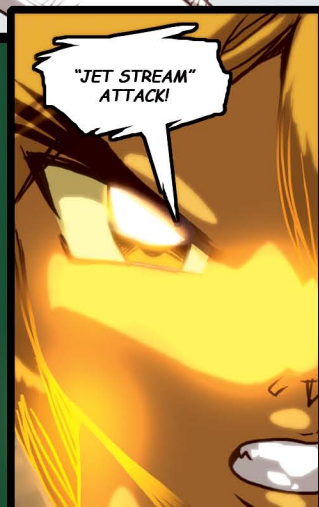
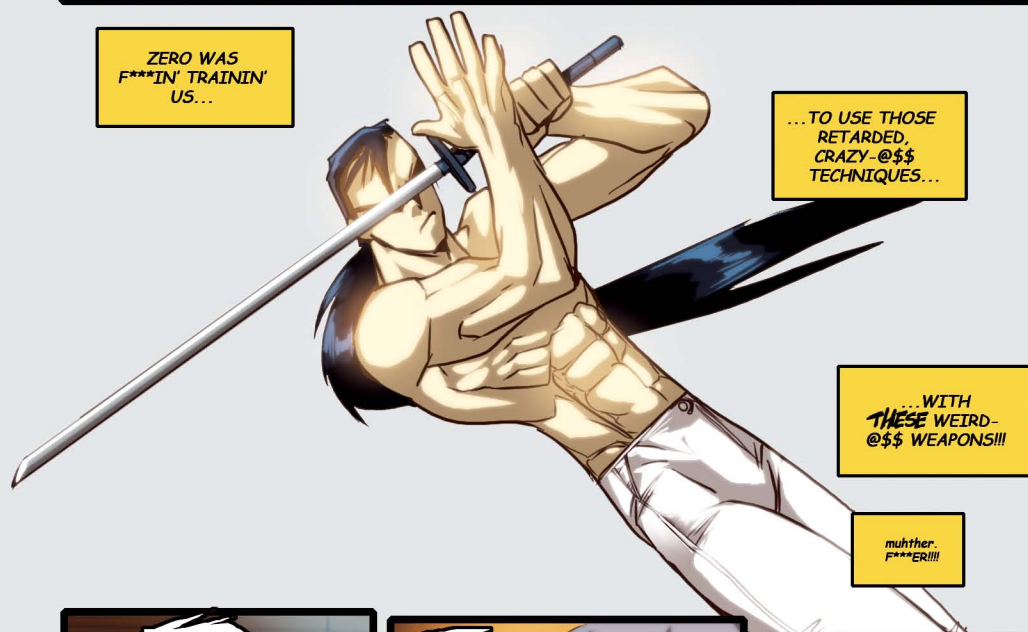
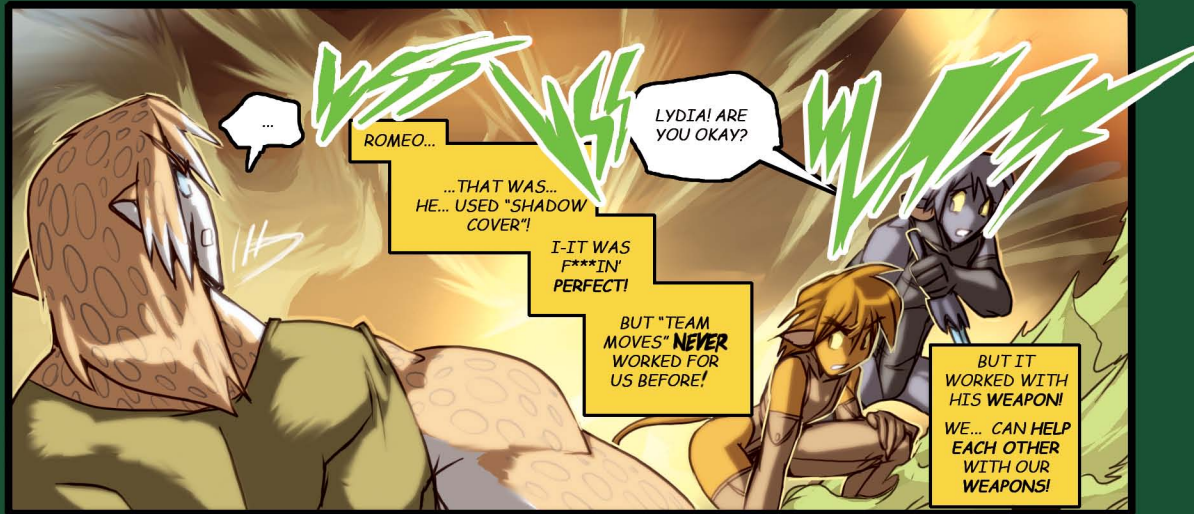
NH...! ONE IS
TOO QUICK! THE OTHER
TOO SLIPPERY!

WAIT!!!
THEIR
LEADER!
I'LL--

ALL WE WANTED...
WAS TO GO HOME,
MOTHERF*%ER!!!

...TO GET THE
F**\$ AWAY FROM
THE BULL\$#@
ABOUT TO GO
DOWN!!!





I'M SUCH A
FOOL!

NOT **ONE** OF THEM
IS AS SKILLED AS
I AM...

...SO HOW
DO THEY
CONTINUE TO
FOIL MY
EFFORTS?

BECAUSE
THEY...
ARE SUPERIOR!

HU!!
Thunder
Edge—
AWAKEN!

I FAILED TO
EVALUATE THEIR
ABILITIES
ACCURATELY!

I GAUGED THEM
AS INDIVIDUALS WHEN
THEY ARE SO MUCH
MORE!!!

THEIR WEAPONS!
THEIR SKILLS!
THEIR **SPIRITS**!
ALL PERFECTLY
LINKED!

WHOEVER
TRAINED THEM
CREATED THREE
PIECES OF AN
INCREDIBLY
FEARSOME
ENTITY!

A TEAM!!!

HOWEVER...
I AM ALSO
FORTUNATE...

IT SEEMS **THEY** HAVE
YET TO REALIZE HOW
STRONG THEY CAN BE
IF THEY FOCUS
AS ONE!

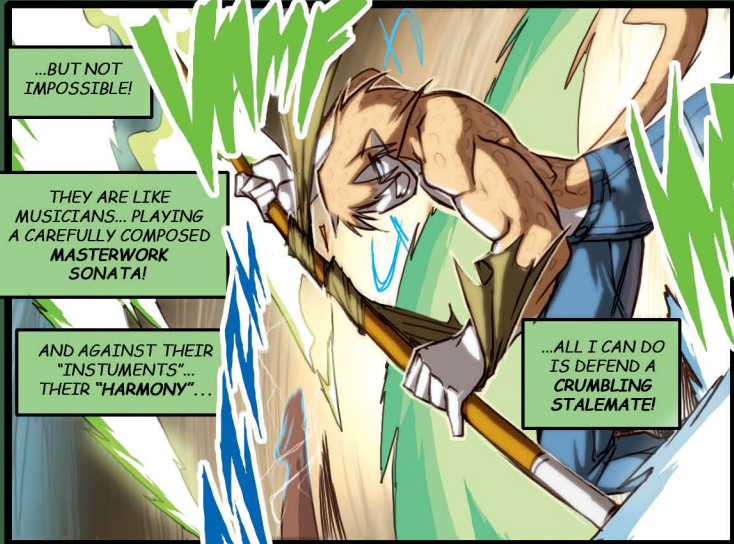
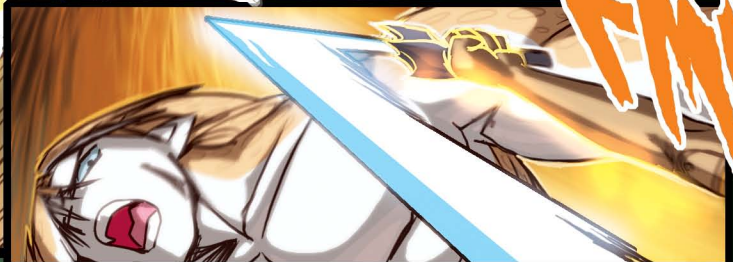
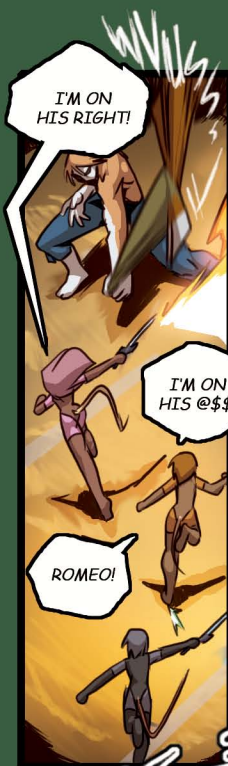
I-I'VE NO CHOICE!
I MUST... I MUST
KILL ONE OF THEM!
THEY ARE TOO
DANGEROUS!

Chained-
LIGHTNING!

AN ADVANCED
TECHNIQUE!

I HAVE
TO USE
EVERYTHING
I'VE GOT...

...BEFORE THEY
LEARN TO USE
EVERYTHING
THEY'VE GOT!





CONCENTRATE....

MOE-MOE!

ROMEY!

I-- I can't see... what they're doing!

TOO FAST... TOO ELUSIVE!

CONCENTRATE...

I CAN'T READ THEIR MOVES! I---

WAIT...

THEY'RE SLOWING?

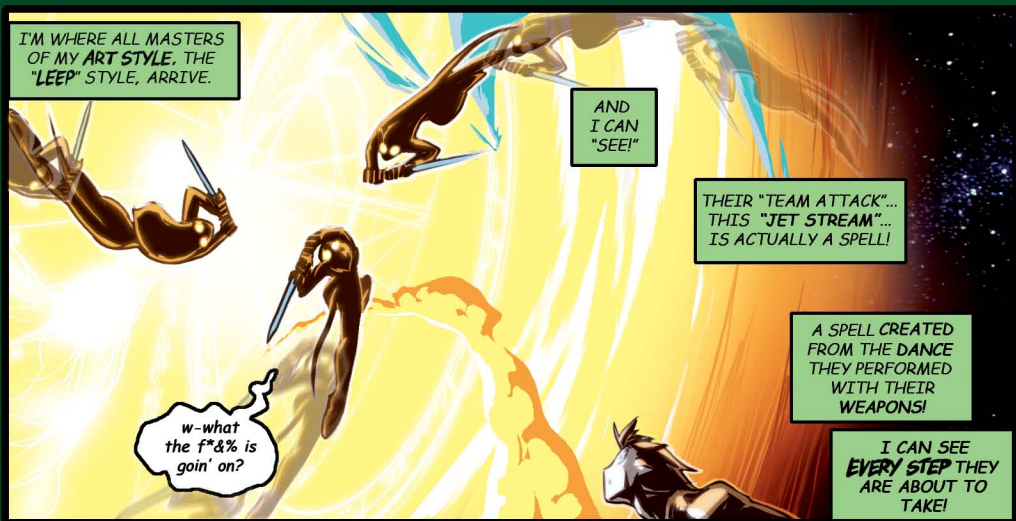
NO... IT'S ME.

IT'S MY MIND!

MY VISION! MY PERCEPTION!

I'M... EXPANDING!

I'm "there"!



I'M WHERE ALL MASTERS OF MY ART STYLE, THE "LEEP" STYLE, ARRIVE.

AND I CAN "SEE!"

THEIR "TEAM ATTACK"... THIS "JET STREAM"... IS ACTUALLY A SPELL!

A SPELL CREATED FROM THE DANCE THEY PERFORMED WITH THEIR WEAPONS!

I CAN SEE EVERY STEP THEY ARE ABOUT TO TAKE!

w-what the f*&% is goin' on?



I... KNOW WHERE TO STRIKE!

AND IT NEED NOT BE A KILLING BLOW!

A SINGLE STRIKE WILL STUN ALL OF THEM AT ONCE!

WH-

WHOA!



TEACHER... I DON'T HAVE TO KILL...

...TO SAVE BRITANNY.

TEACHER... YOU DID NOT CREATE A MONSTER.



wh-- What on Jade?

A THREAD?

A WIRE!?



THE ASSASSIN'S WI-





it...

BURNS!

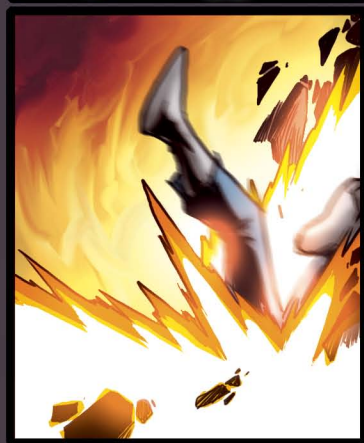


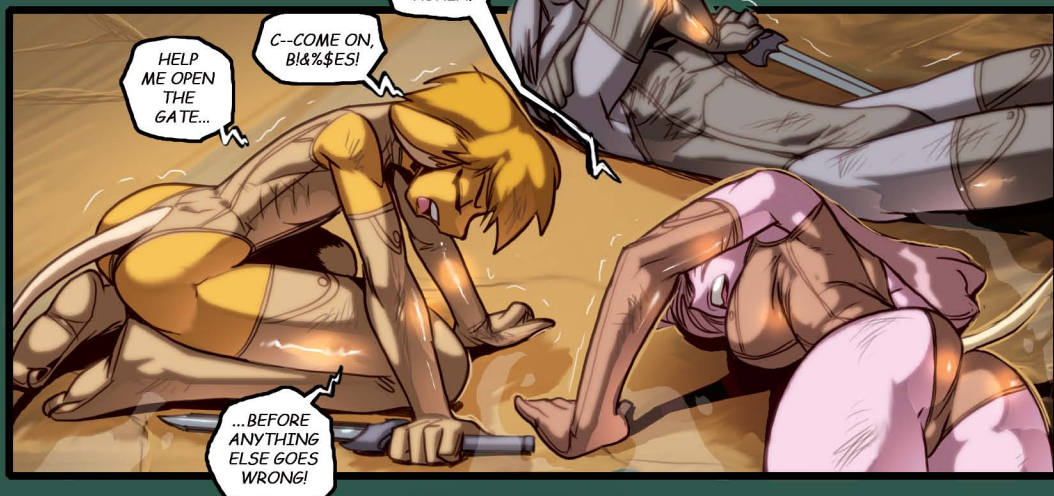
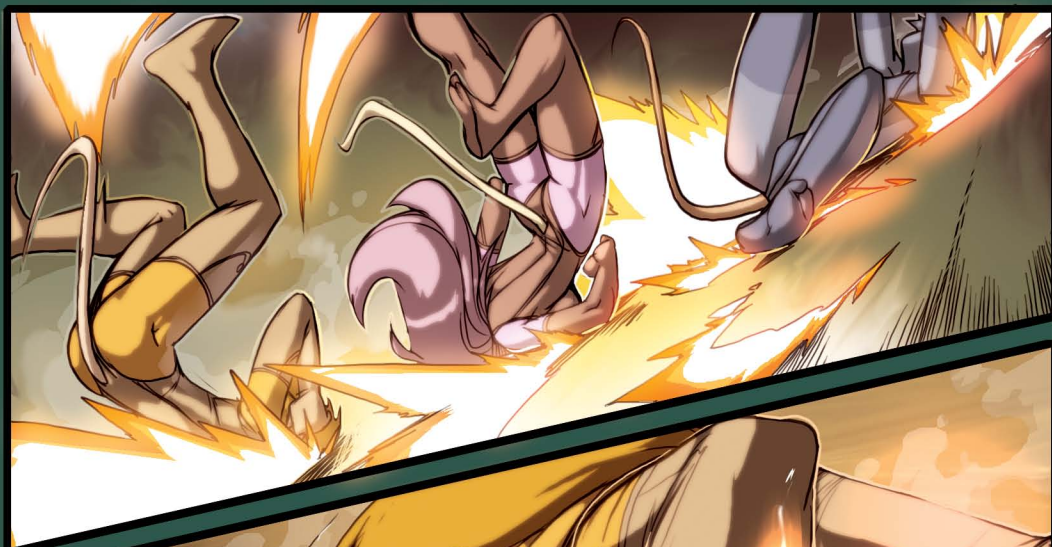
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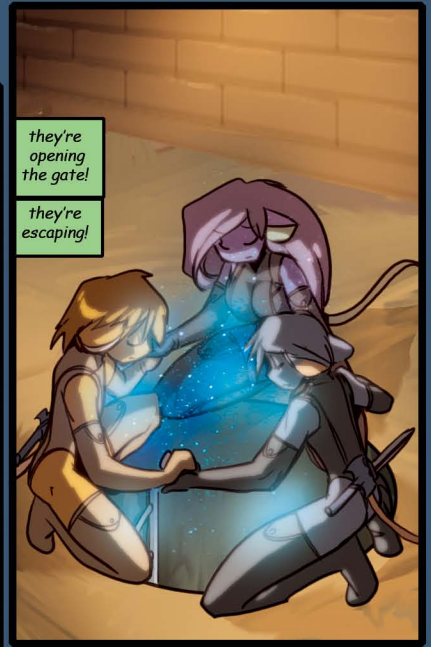
silver!



Gomen.







I'VE--

