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STOP...!



...BEING ...!



...A FUCKING TWAT!



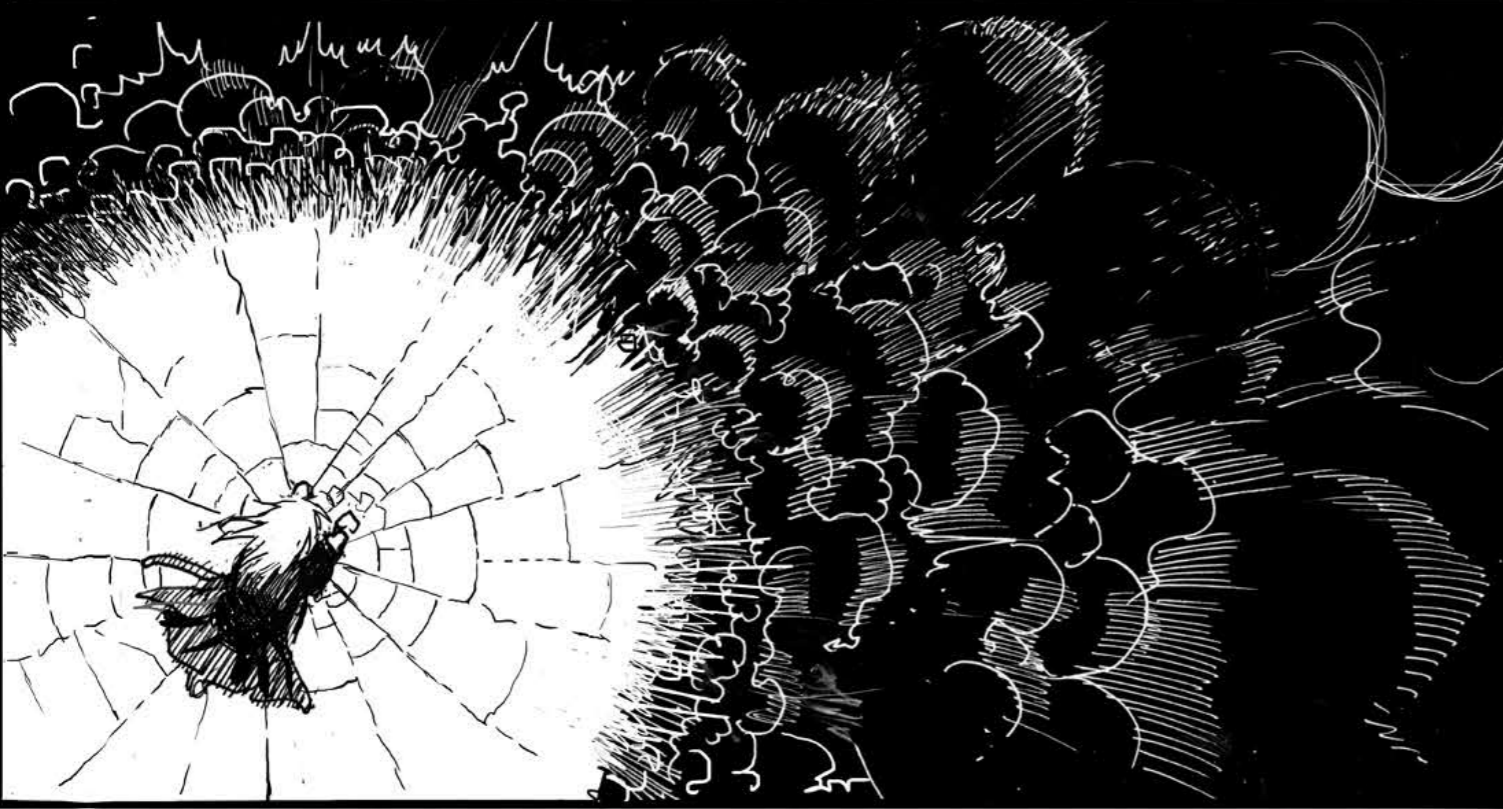
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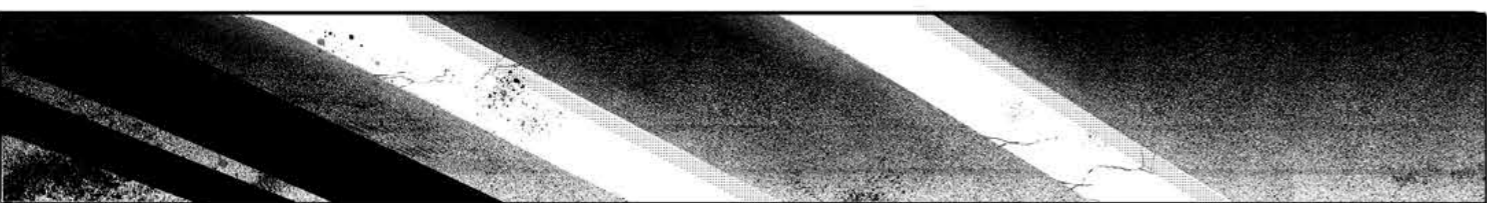


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THINK THESE STUPID SHADOWS ARE GONNA STOP ME?

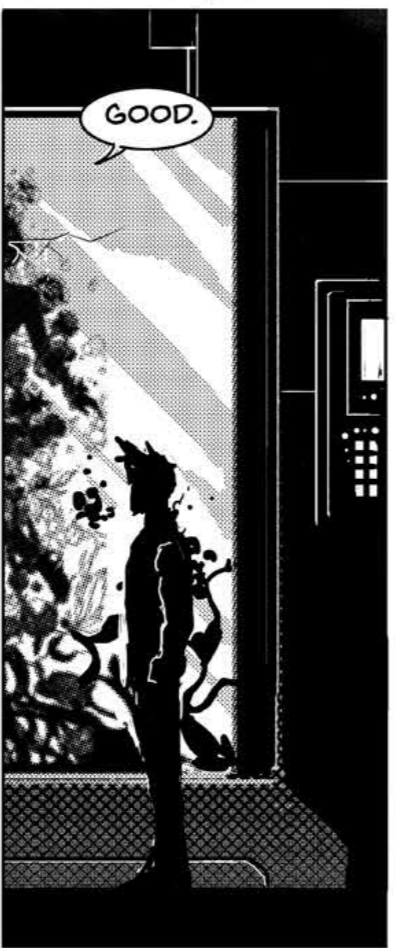




SO, ADAM...



YOU LET SOME STEAM OFF?

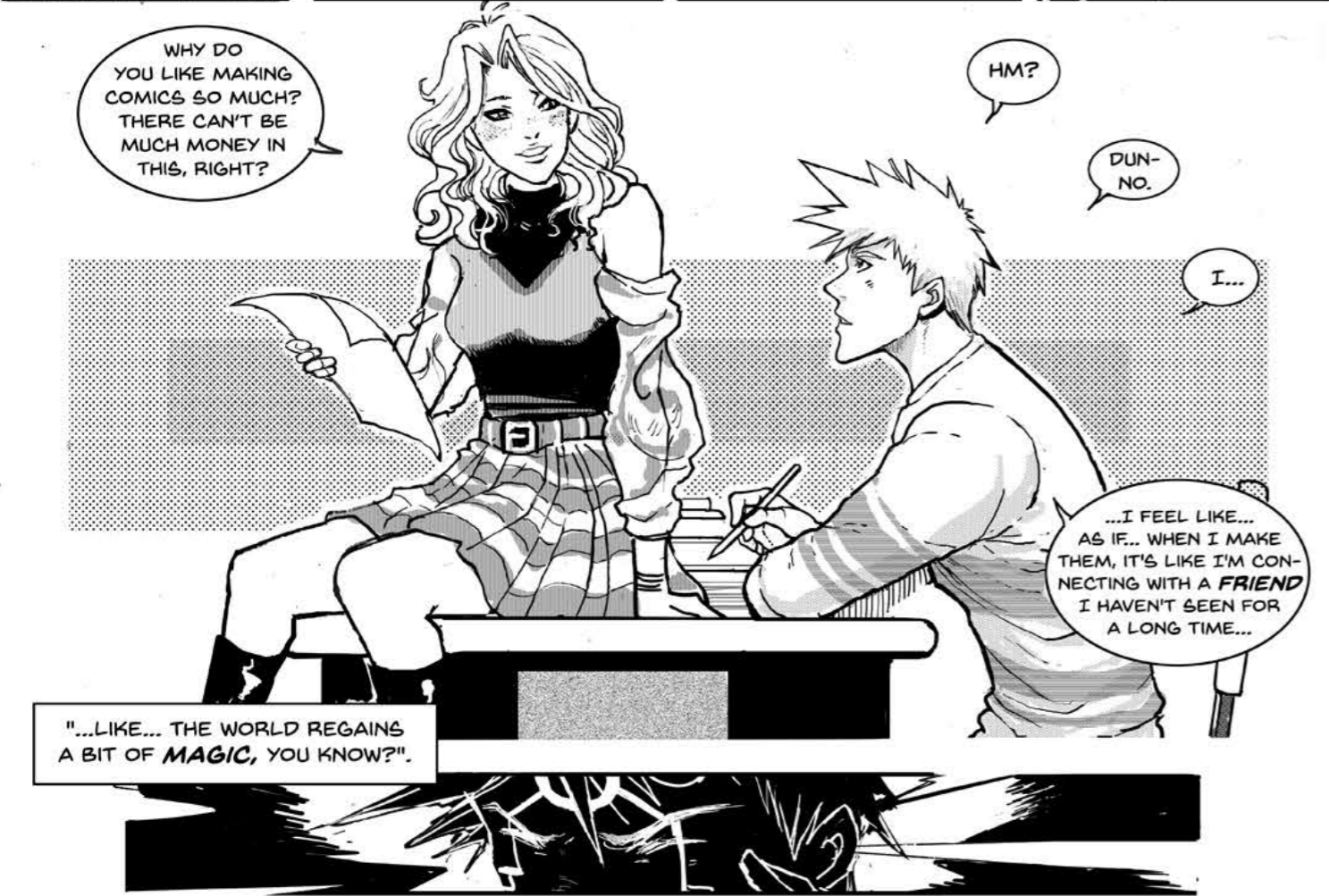


GOOD.



LISTEN TO ME. I GET YOU.

I'M PRONE TO LOSING IT TOO. WHEN YOU LEFT, PEGGY...



WHY DO YOU LIKE MAKING COMICS SO MUCH? THERE CAN'T BE MUCH MONEY IN THIS, RIGHT?

HM?

DUN-NO.

I...

...I FEEL LIKE... AS IF... WHEN I MAKE THEM, IT'S LIKE I'M CONNECTING WITH A FRIEND I HAVEN'T SEEN FOR A LONG TIME...

"...LIKE... THE WORLD REGAINS A BIT OF MAGIC, YOU KNOW?"



GGG...

NGGG!



...TOO MANY SHADOWS FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO... CONTROL...



...THIS DOESN'T LOOK GOOD...



IT'S... NGG... THE HAND OF SATAN

WHAT?



THE... UGH... HERMITES... SAY THAT NO ONE HAS BEEN ABLE TO WEAR IT FOR MORE THAN A FEW MONTHS...

...THE POWER IT GIVES... IS DOUBLE-EDGED...



THEY MAY... COUGH! BE LYING, BUT... THAT AURA...



I THOUGHT THAT HIM... WITH HIS **POWER**... COULD ADAPT ...



...BUT HE'S ALREADY... HH... **DESTABILIZING**...

DURING THE INCIDENT.



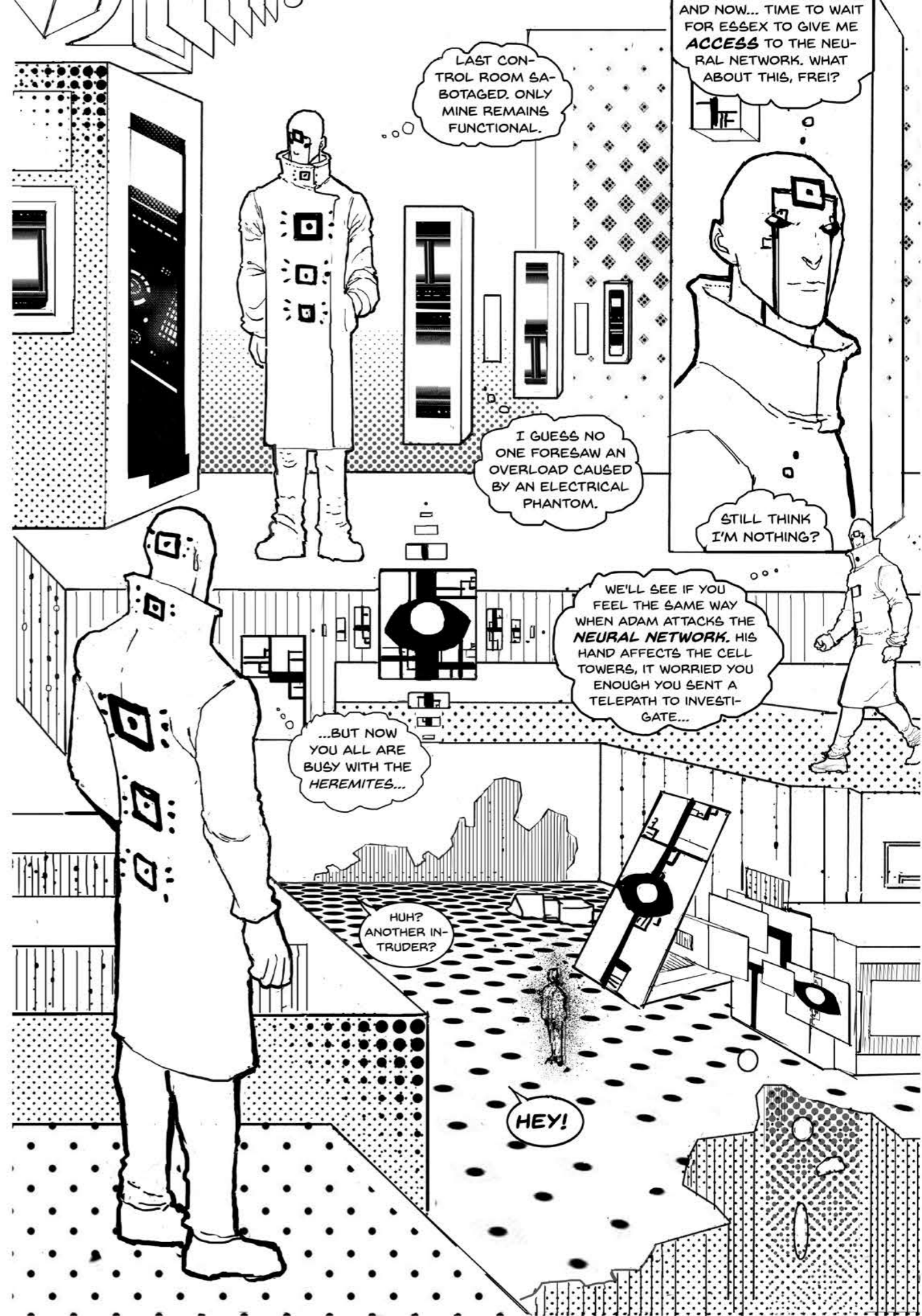
O2! CAN SOMEONE CONTACT...?

I DON'T UNDERSTAND. OUR CAMERAS... I DON'T...



...WHY ARE THEY...

HUH?



LAST CONTROL ROOM SABOTAGED. ONLY MINE REMAINS FUNCTIONAL.

AND NOW... TIME TO WAIT FOR ESSEX TO GIVE ME **ACCESS** TO THE NEURAL NETWORK. WHAT ABOUT THIS, FREI?

I GUESS NO ONE FORESAW AN OVERLOAD CAUSED BY AN ELECTRICAL PHANTOM.

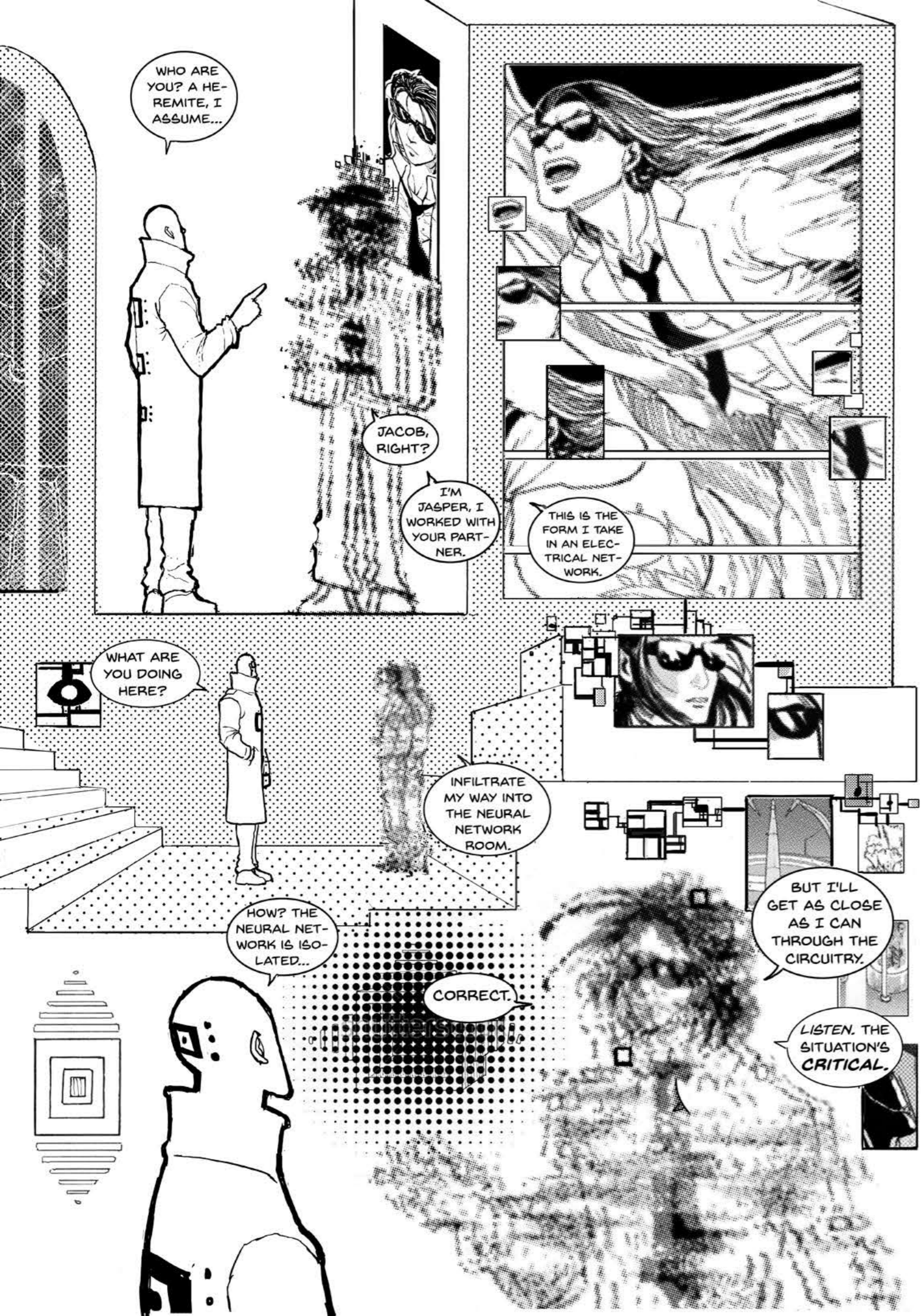
STILL THINK I'M NOTHING?

WE'LL SEE IF YOU FEEL THE SAME WAY WHEN ADAM ATTACKS THE **NEURAL NETWORK**. HIS HAND AFFECTS THE CELL TOWERS, IT WORRIED YOU ENOUGH YOU SENT A TELEPATH TO INVESTIGATE...

...BUT NOW YOU ALL ARE BUSY WITH THE HERMITES...

HUH? ANOTHER INTRUDER?

HEY!



WHO ARE YOU? A HERMITE, I ASSUME...

JACOB, RIGHT?

I'M JASPER, I WORKED WITH YOUR PARTNER.

THIS IS THE FORM I TAKE IN AN ELECTRICAL NETWORK.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

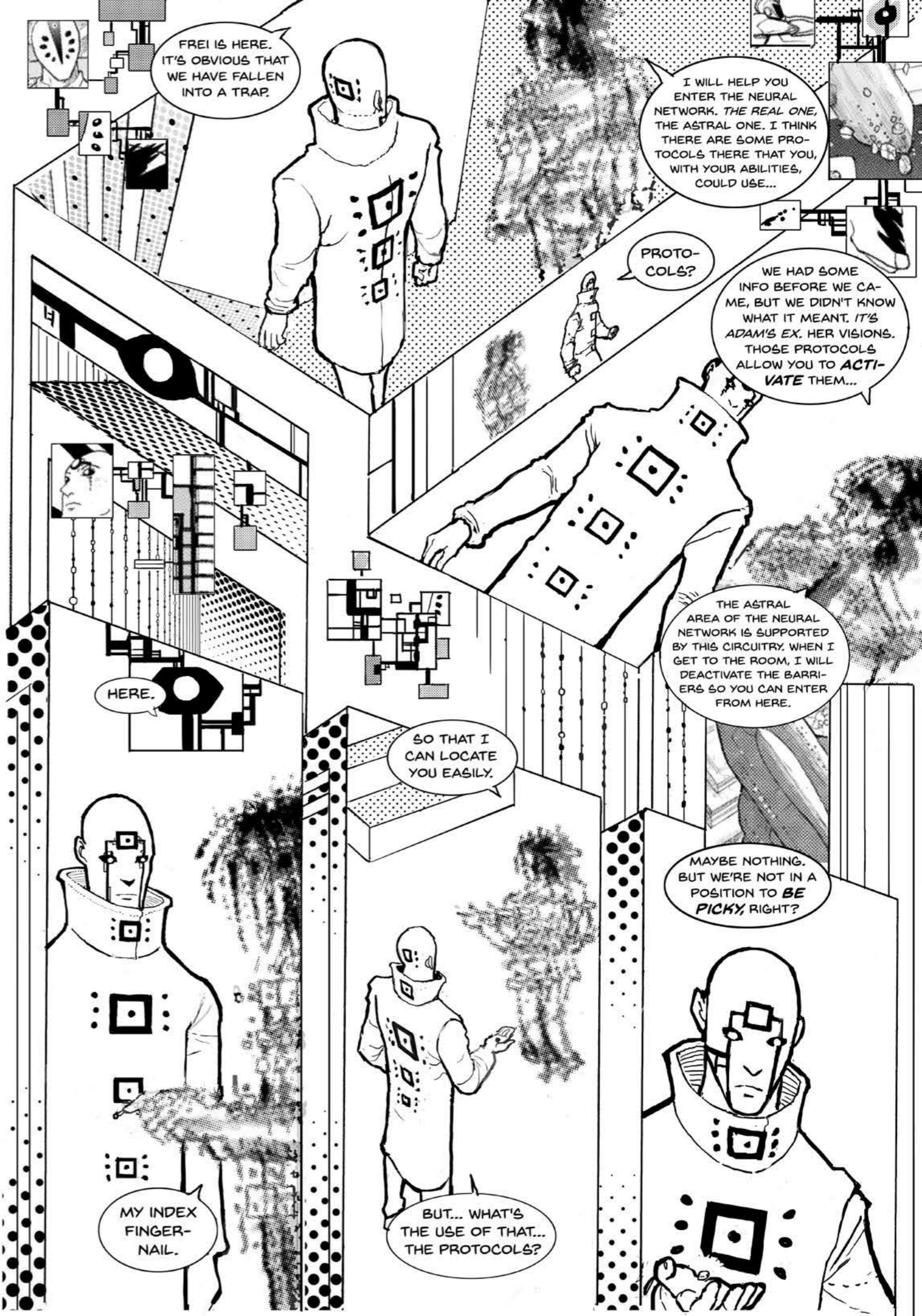
INFILTRATE MY WAY INTO THE NEURAL NETWORK ROOM.

HOW? THE NEURAL NETWORK IS ISOLATED...

CORRECT.

BUT I'LL GET AS CLOSE AS I CAN THROUGH THE CIRCUITRY.

LISTEN. THE SITUATION'S CRITICAL.



FREI IS HERE. IT'S OBVIOUS THAT WE HAVE FALLEN INTO A TRAP.

I WILL HELP YOU ENTER THE NEURAL NETWORK. THE REAL ONE, THE ASTRAL ONE. I THINK THERE ARE SOME PROTOCOLS THERE THAT YOU, WITH YOUR ABILITIES, COULD USE...

PROTOCOLS?

WE HAD SOME INFO BEFORE WE CAME, BUT WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT IT MEANT. IT'S ADAM'S EX. HER VISIONS. THOSE PROTOCOLS ALLOW YOU TO ACTIVATE THEM...

THE ASTRAL AREA OF THE NEURAL NETWORK IS SUPPORTED BY THIS CIRCUITRY. WHEN I GET TO THE ROOM, I WILL DEACTIVATE THE BARRIERS SO YOU CAN ENTER FROM HERE.

HERE.

SO THAT I CAN LOCATE YOU EASILY.

MAYBE NOTHING. BUT WE'RE NOT IN A POSITION TO BE PICKY, RIGHT?

MY INDEX FINGER-NAIL.

BUT... WHAT'S THE USE OF THAT... THE PROTOCOLS?

THE INCIDENT.



AAAGH!

GROOOO



ADAM!

LISTEN!



6 DAYS BEFORE.

THE ARTIFACT OF YOUR HAND...

I THINK IT'S A CONDUIT OF... PSYCHIC SENSITIVITY...



DON'T LET THIS SHIT GET TO YOU!

WE HAVE A PLAN AGAINST THE EBI! YOU CAN USE THIS RAGE FOR THAT, ADAM!

WE'LL USE YOUR HAND, ADAM!



I LOVE YOU.



YOU CAN'T GIVE UP NOW!

LISTEN! WHAT GOOD ARE YOU DOING TO YOUR GIRL BY LOSING YOUR GODDAMN MIND? WE HAVE TO TAKE HER OUT OF HERE!



DUDE. IT'S USELESS. SEEN IT OTHER TIMES.

SHE'S DYING.



HOWEVER SHE IS, WE MUST GET HER OUT OF HERE AND TAKE REVENGE ON THE EBI!

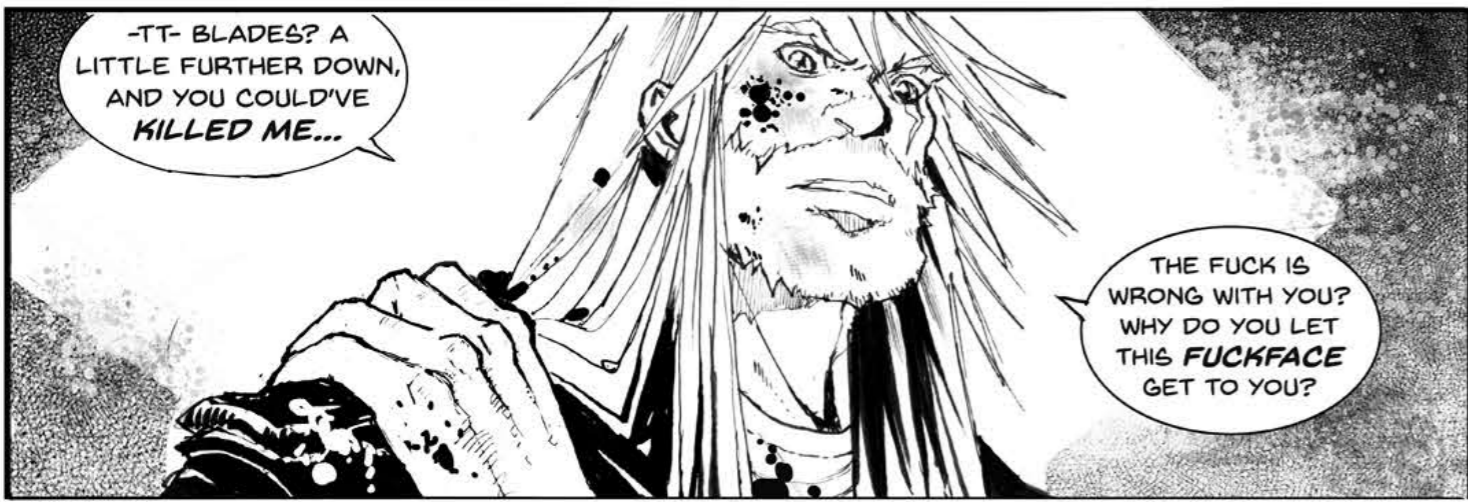


UNGH!

SHUT THE FUCK UP!



FUCKING ASSH...!



-TT- BLADES? A LITTLE FURTHER DOWN, AND YOU COULD'VE KILLED ME...

THE FUCK IS WRONG WITH YOU? WHY DO YOU LET THIS FUCKFACE GET TO YOU?



...I'M NOT GONNA TAKE THE BAIT. I KNOW YOU DON'T WANT TO DO THIS.

YOU COULD'VE KILLED ME, IF YOU WANTED TO.



WE HAVE A PLAN, ADAM.

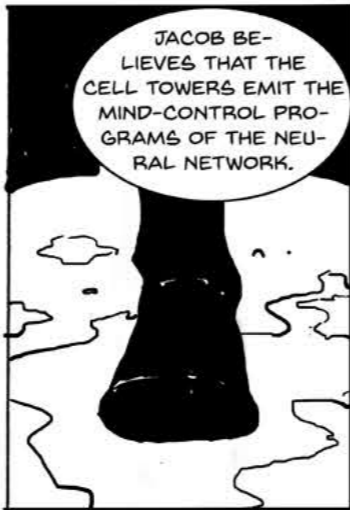
WE WILL SAVE THE GIRL.



AND WE WILL ATTACK THE NEURAL NETWORK. IT HAS A MIND-CONTROL SYSTEM - WE CAN DAMAGE IT!



REMEMBER HOW YOUR HAND REACTED TO THE CELL TOWERS?



JACOB BELIEVES THAT THE CELL TOWERS EMIT THE MIND-CONTROL PROGRAMS OF THE NEURAL NETWORK.



AND YOUR HAND REACTED! GET IT? THAT'S THE KEY!



YOU CAN USE THE ANGER FOR THIS!



NO!



I...



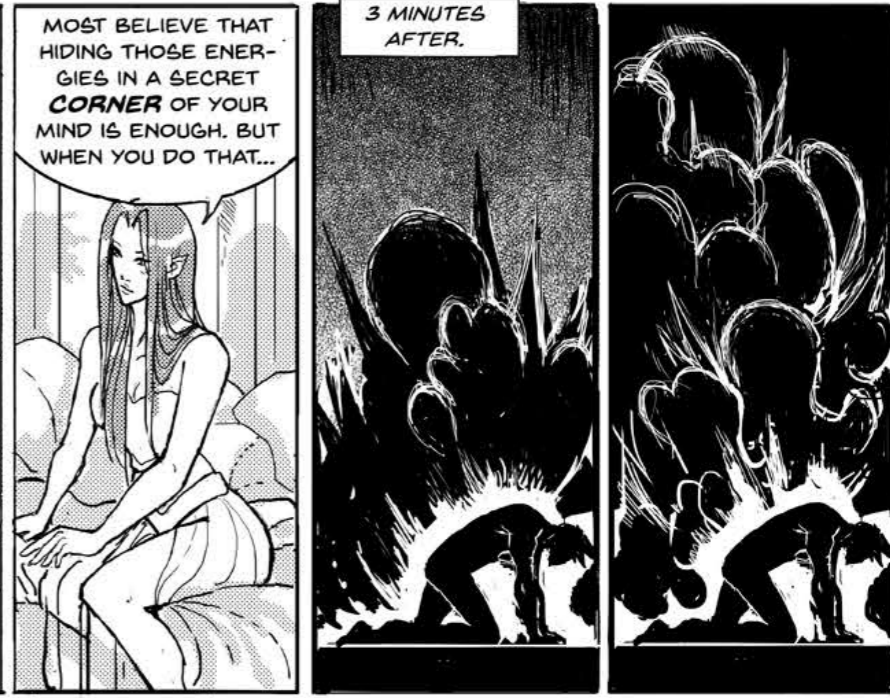
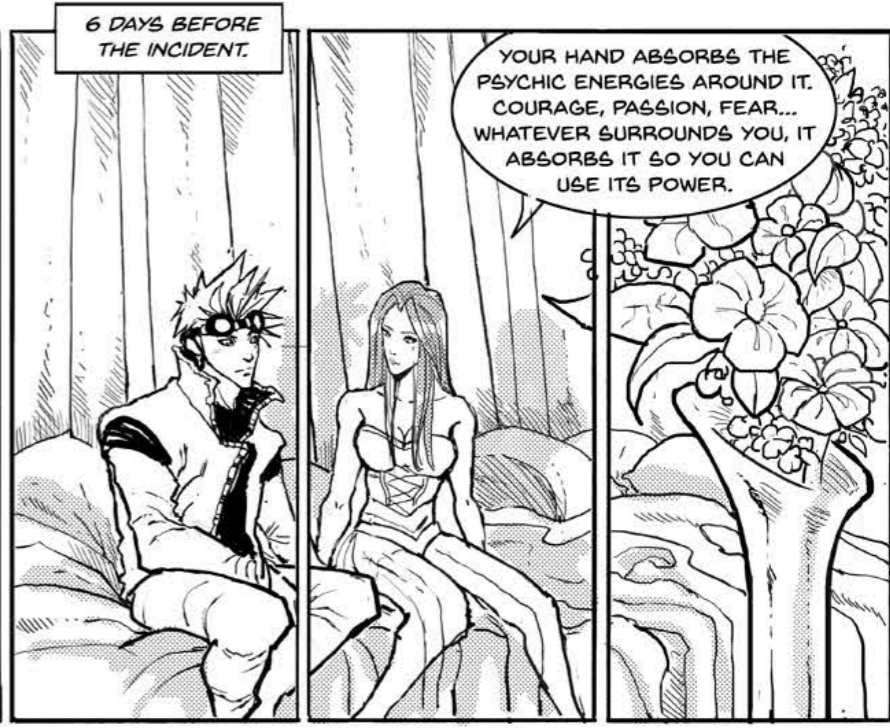
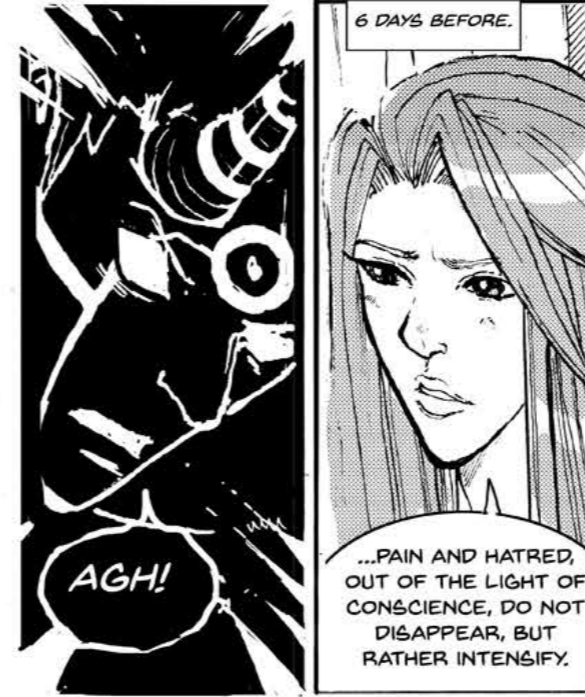
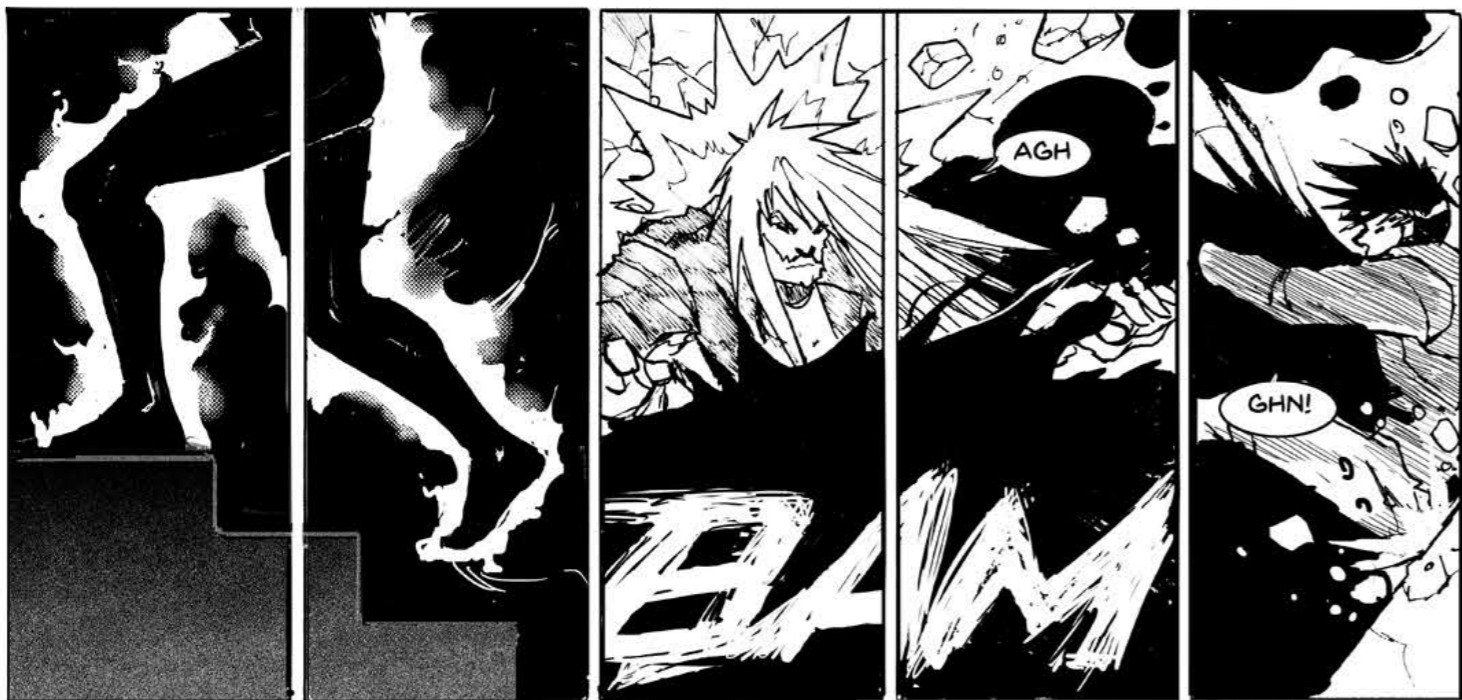
...YOU WOULD ATTACK THE FBI, THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS!

FREI, ADAM!

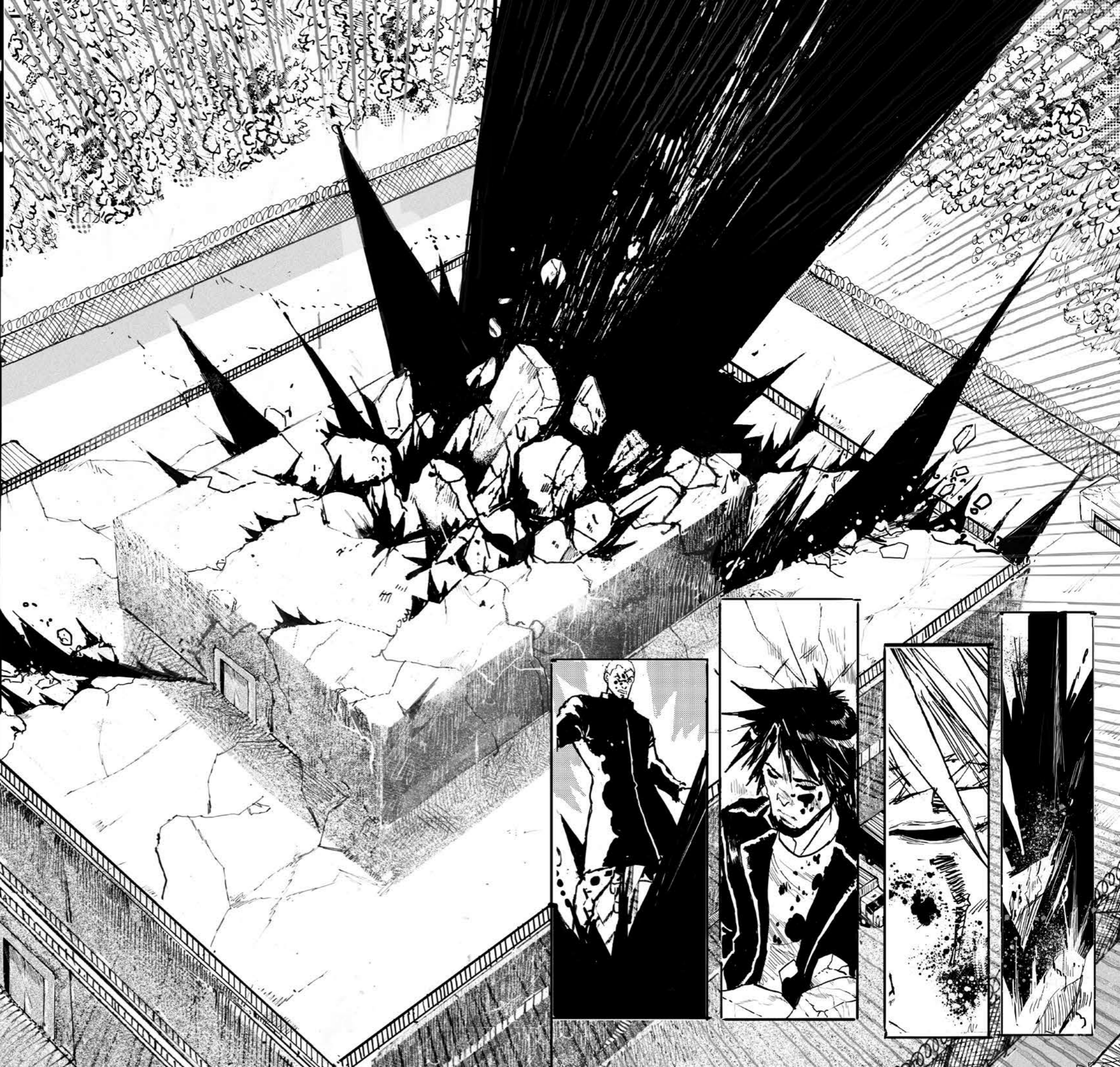


...I'M SORRY.





"DO YOU UNDERSTAND? YOUR HAND ABSORBS THE PAIN AND HATRED OF OTHERS, AND ALTHOUGH YOU DON'T CONSCIOUSLY PERCEIVE IT, WHEN YOU CAN'T CARRY THAT VOLATILE ENERGY ANYMORE, YOU **EXPLODE**".



5 MINUTES AFTER.



NOW!



10 MIN. AFTER.



11 MIN. AFTER.



KEEP YOUR PSYCHE STRONG NEAR THE MISTS!



6 DAYS BEFORE.



SINCE HUMANS DO NOT PERCEIVE THE POISON IN THEIR SOUL...



6 DAYS BEFORE.



7 MIN. AFTER.



14 MIN. LATER.



6 DAYS BEFORE.



16 MIN. AFTER.



8 MIN. AFTER.

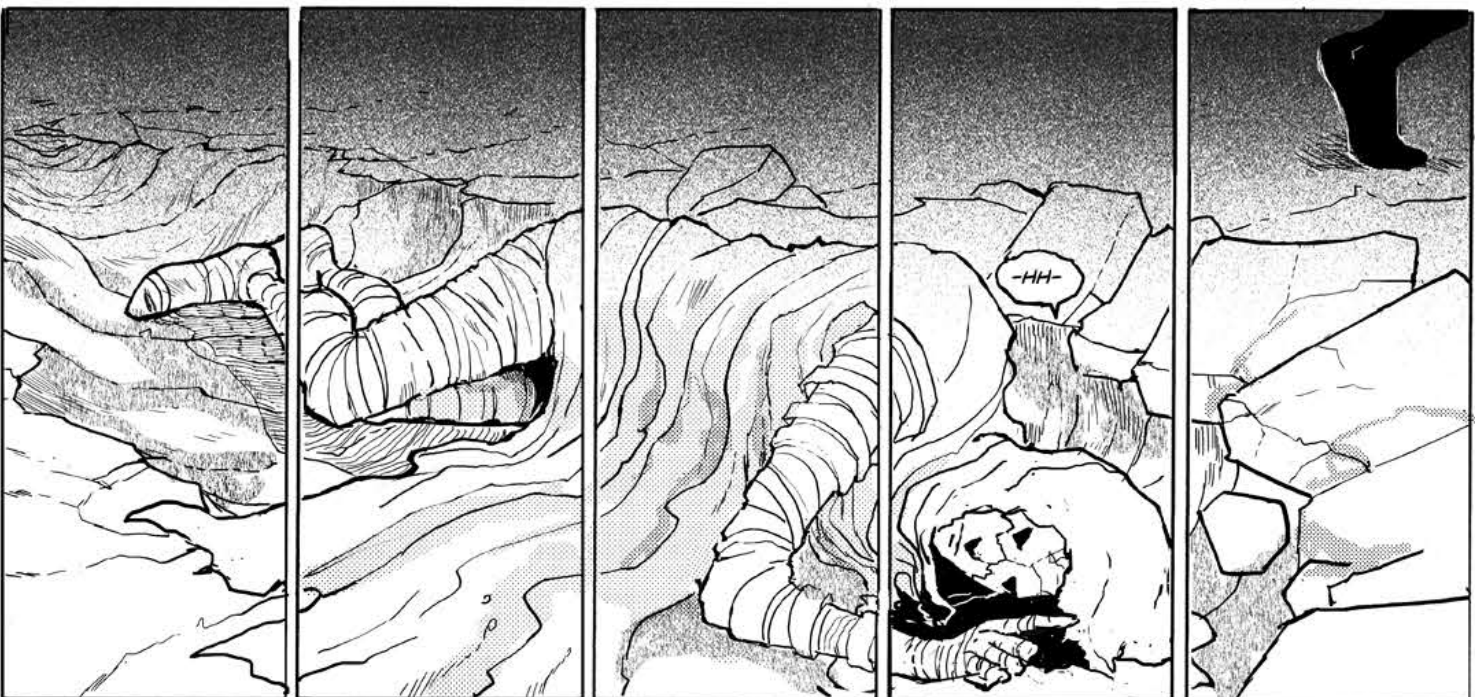
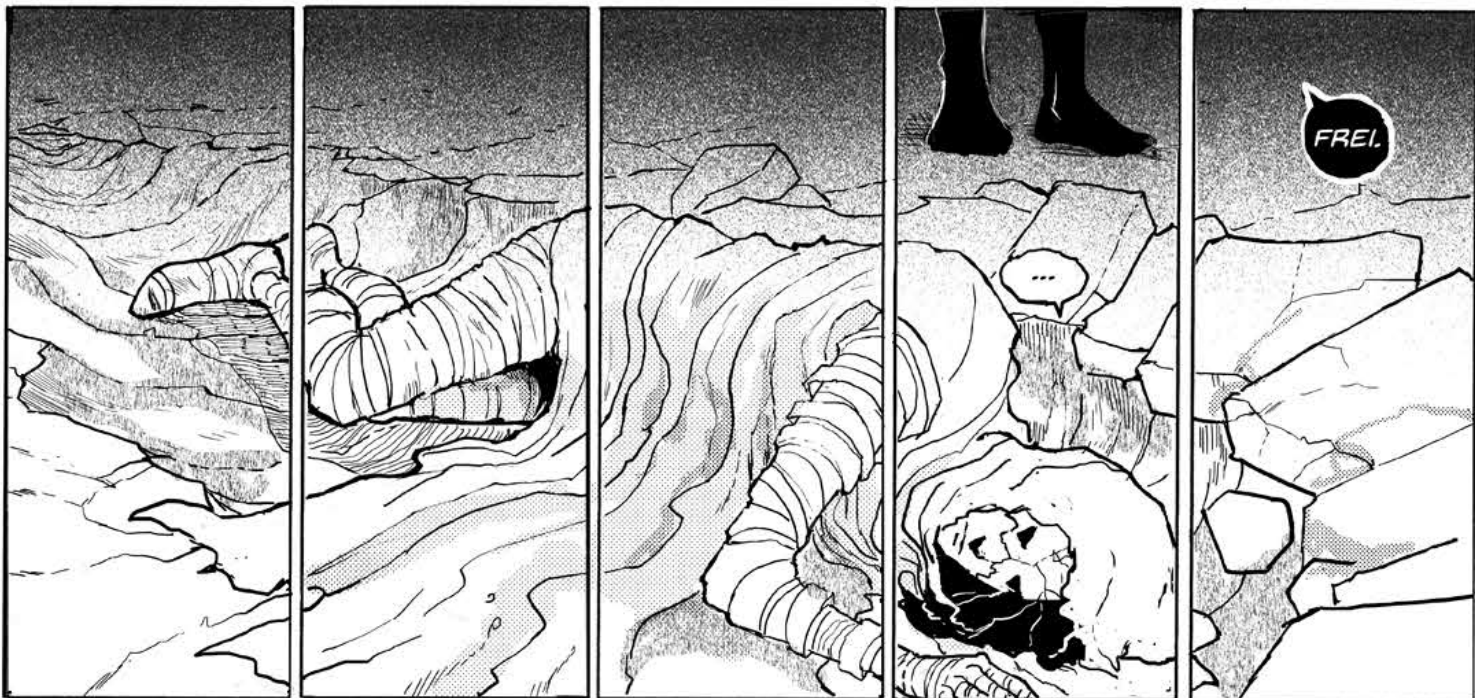
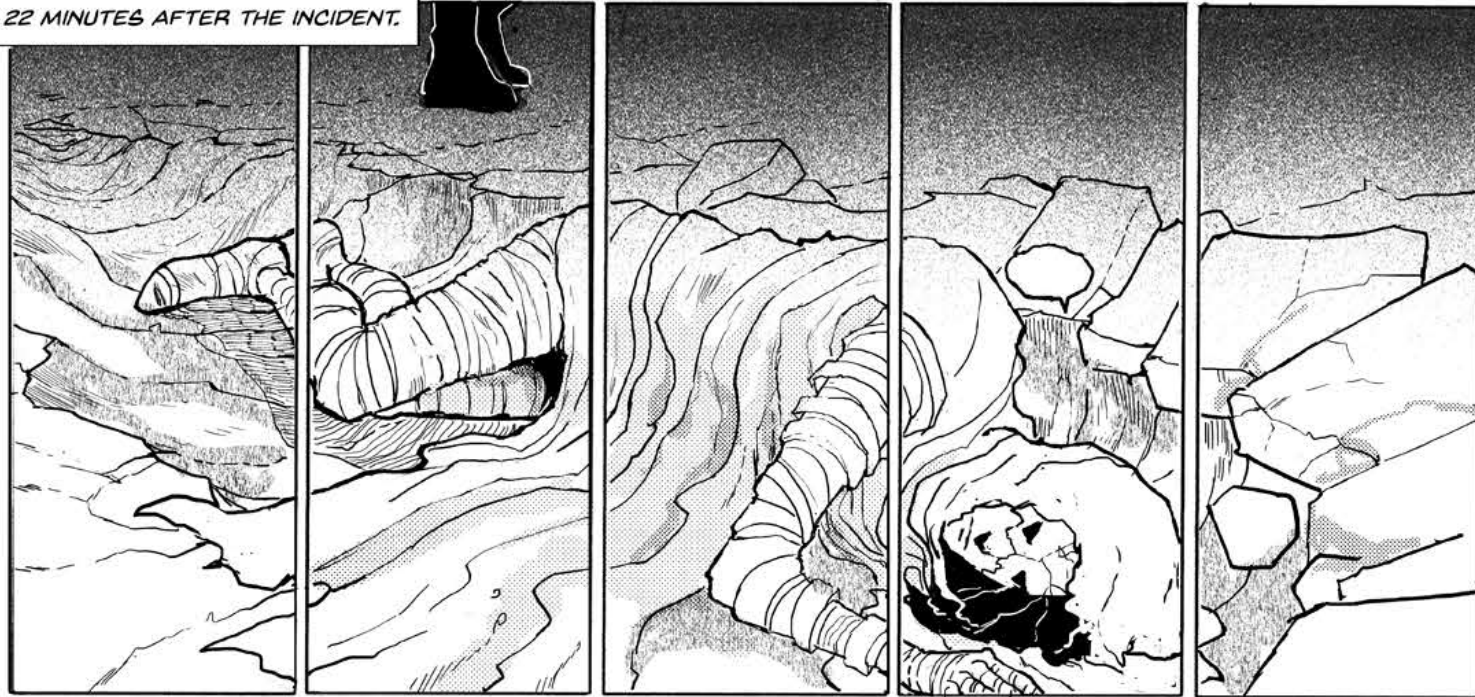


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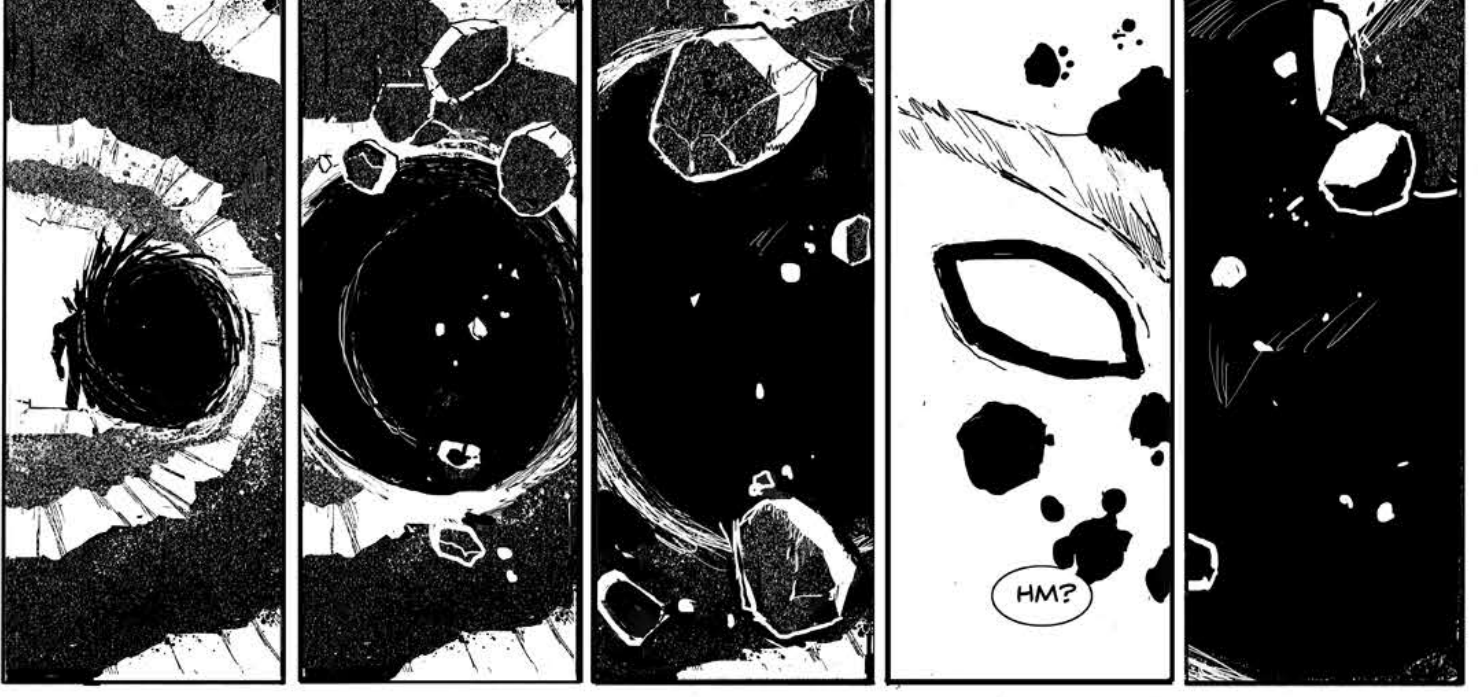
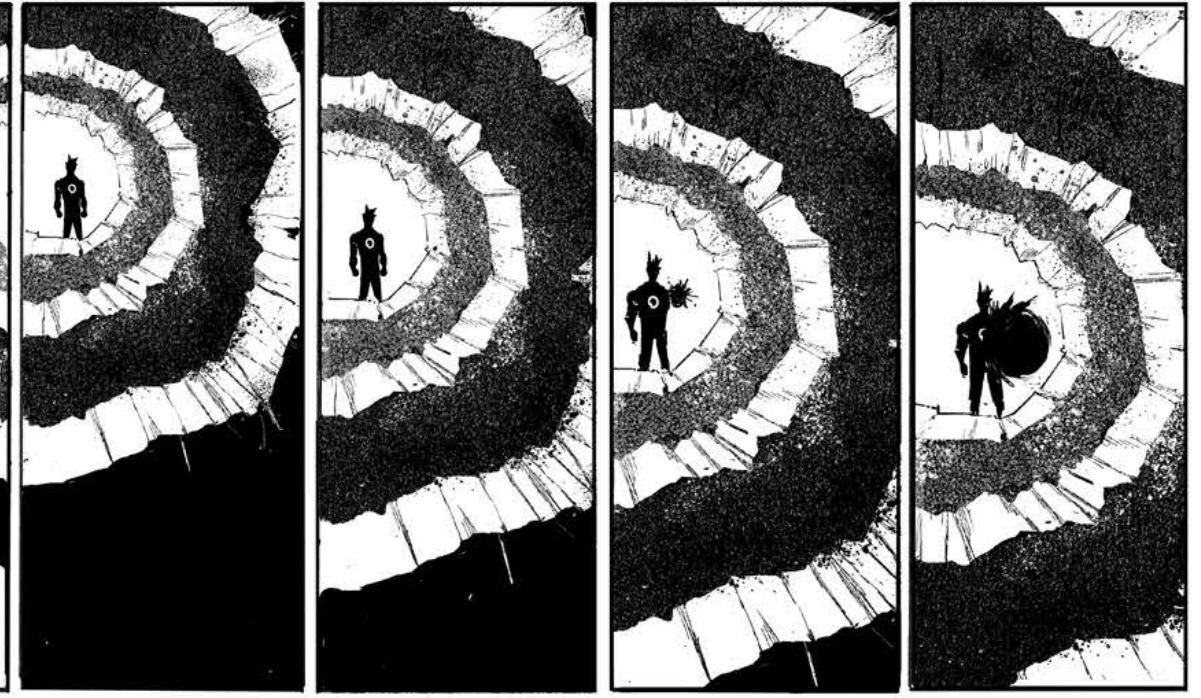
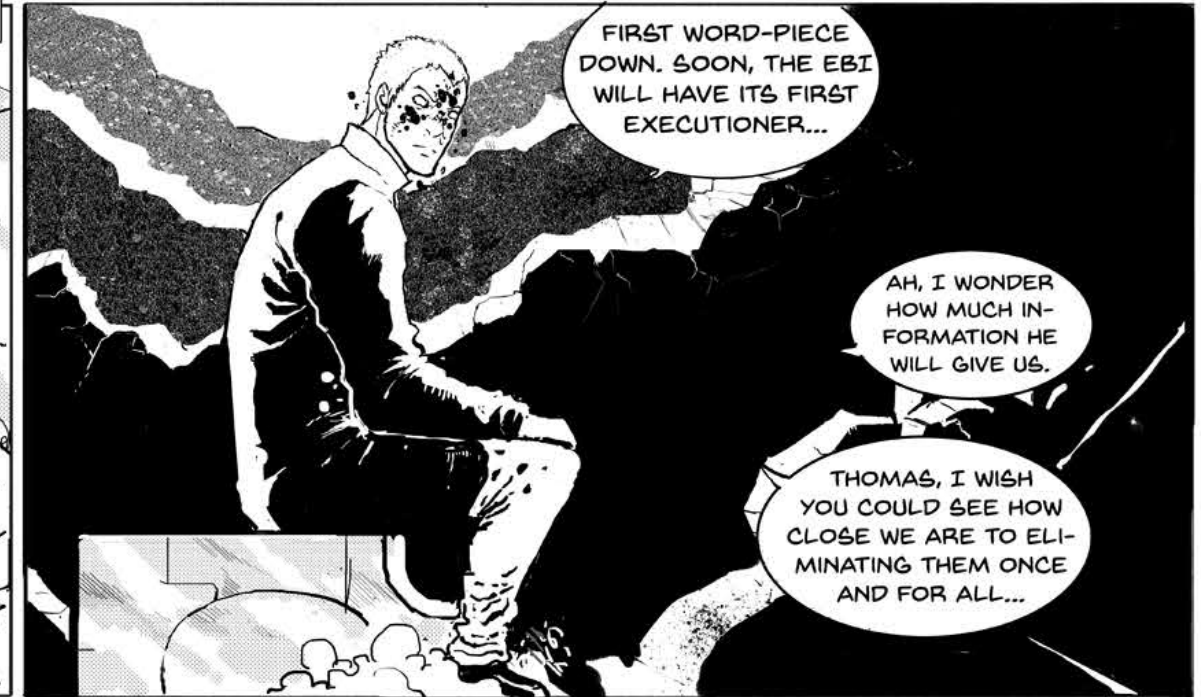


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22 MINUTES AFTER THE INCIDENT.



24 MINUTES AFTER THE INCIDENT.





...TO BE CONTINUED

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