

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TRACE EFFECTS



CHAPTER 2

OUR TEAM ARRIVES AT THE FARMERS' MARKET.



OK, KIDS,
I HAVE TO SHOP.
I NEED TO BUY VEGETABLES.
YOU GO FIND EMMA. IF
YOU FIND MY BASKET,
PICK IT UP.

LET'S SPLIT UP.
EDDIE, GO THAT WAY.
AVA, GO OVER THERE.
TRACE, YOU LOOK
THROUGH THE BOOTHS.
I'LL GO THIS WAY.



**TRACE VISITS VARIOUS BOOTHS
LOOKING FOR EMMA.**



EXCUSE ME.
DO YOU KNOW
EMMA FIELDS?

I KNOW HER.
SHE HAS BLONDE
HAIR. I THINK SHE'S
IN THE NEXT AISLE.

EXCUSE ME.
I'M LOOKING
FOR EMMA
FIELDS.
ARE YOU
EMMA?



NO, I'M NOT EMMA.
YOU SHOULD ASK
AT THE CELERY BOOTH.
THEY MIGHT KNOW
WHERE SHE IS.

TRACE FINDS EMMA FIELDS AT THE CORN BOOTH.

WILL YOU HELP ME?

I'M EMMA FIELDS.

I'M REALLY BUSY RIGHT NOW. I NEED TO STOP RILEY. SHE WANTS TO BE CLASS PRESIDENT. SHE WANTS TO HAVE NO VEGETABLES ON THE SCHOOL MENU.

DO WHAT I DID!
I WON THE ELECTION FOR SCHOOL PRESIDENT!
I CONVINCED STUDENT LEADERS TO VOTE FOR ME.

IT MIGHT NOT WORK, BUT I'M READY TO TRY. WILL YOU HELP?

I'LL MAKE A GREAT VEGETABLE SOUP! WHEN THE STUDENTS TASTE MY SOUP, THEY'LL LOVE VEGGIES! THEY'LL VOTE FOR EMMA!

HOW CAN I HELP?

YOU GET THE INGREDIENTS FROM THE MARKET, TRACE. MEANWHILE, I'LL START THE SOUP.

TRACE GATHERS INGREDIENTS FOR THE SOUP.

HI. CAN I PLEASE BUY SOME CARROTS?

SURE, HERE THEY ARE. THAT WILL BE \$2.00.

THANKS! BYE.



DO YOU HAVE ANY CELERY?

YES, I DO. HOW MUCH DO YOU NEED?

ONE BUNCH, PLEASE.

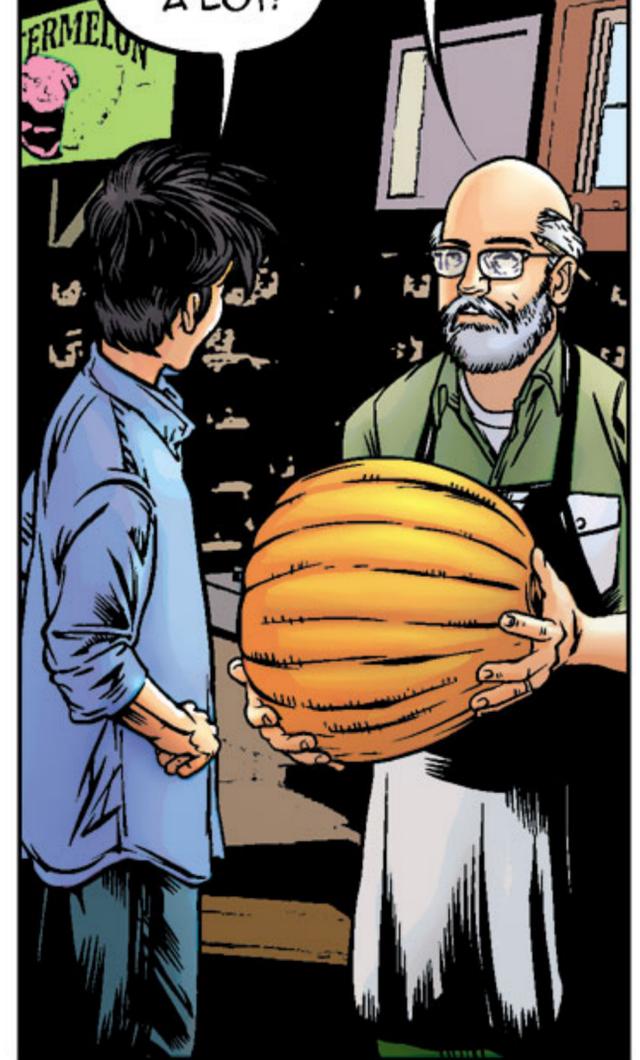
SURE, HERE IT IS.



EXCUSE ME. DO YOU HAVE PUMPKINS?

SURE THING. THAT'LL BE \$1.50

THANKS A LOT!



TRACE HELPS CHEF MARK MAKE THE SOUP.



GOOD JOB, TRACE! NOW WE'LL COOK THE SOUP AND PUT IT IN THESE PAPER CLIPS.



LATER AT THE HIGH SCHOOL...

NOW WHERE DO WE START?

TAKE THE BROCHURE. THERE ARE FOUR LEADERS. FIND THEM, GIVE THEM THE SOUP, AND SHOW THEM THE BROCHURE.

TRACE MEETS ISABELLA WHO IS REHEARSING A PLAY.

HI. I'M TRACE. I'M HELPING EMMA. WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY SOME SOUP?

GREETINGS. I'M ISABELLA. IT IS INDEED A GREAT PLEASURE. SADLY, TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE FOR ME AT THIS JUNCTURE.

CAN I HELP YOU?

I'M A THESPIAN IN THE SCHOOL PLAY. WE ARE IN SORE NEED OF A BASKET FOR MY CHARACTER.

I'LL LOAN YOU CHEF MARK'S BASKET IF YOU TRY THE SOUP. OK?

GREAT! THANK YOU SO MUCH! NOW I SHALL TASTE THE SOUP!

OH MY! THAT'S INCREDIBLE. IT'S AS SMOOTH AS SATINY SILK, AS PLUNGENT AS AN EVENING ROSE, AS...

THANKS FOR VOTING FOR EMMA. SEE YOU LATER!

TRACE MEETS TYLER.

HEY, TRACE. I'M TYLER. WHAT'S UP?

DO YOU WANT TO TRY SOME DELICIOUS VEGETABLE SOUP?

NO THANKS. IT'S LIKE MOM SAYS, "EAT YOUR VEGETABLES." NOT COOL.

PLEASE, TYLER. TRY SOME SOUP. YOU'LL LIKE IT.

NAH. IT'S NOT FOR ME. NOT COOL.

LOOK AT THIS BROCHURE. IT EXPLAINS THAT VEGGIES ARE GOOD FOR YOU.

NO THANKS. NOT INTERESTED. SEE YOU AROUND.

**TRACE MEETS MADISON
THE SPORTS TEAM CAPTAIN.**

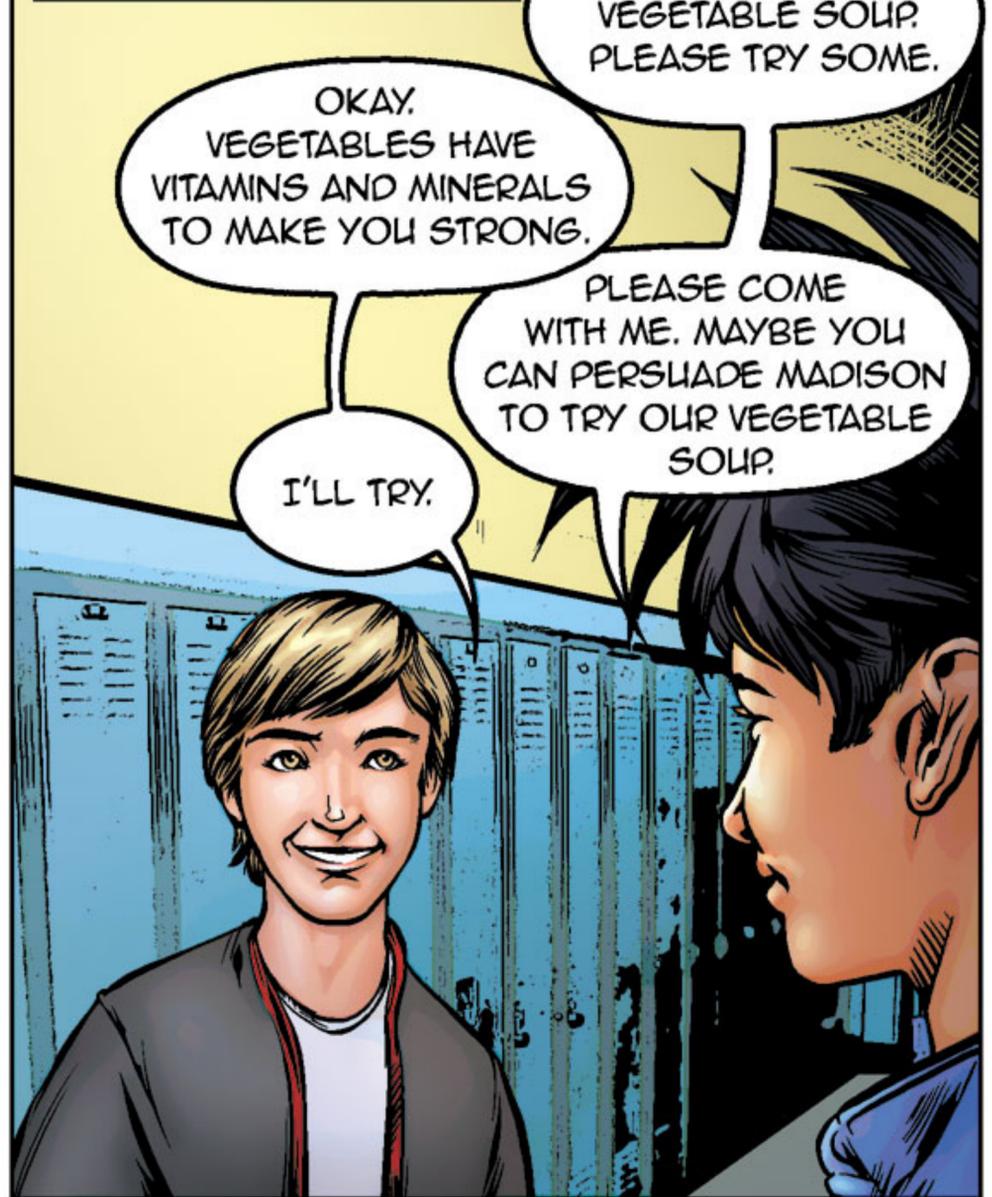


WOULD YOU LIKE SOME SOUP? IT'S MADE FROM VEGETABLES.

HI, TRACE. I'M MADISON. I'M CAPTAIN OF THE SPORTS TEAM.

EEEW. I DON'T LIKE VEGETABLES. I USE ENERGY DRINKS.

**TRACE MEETS JADEN
AND ASKS FOR HELP.**



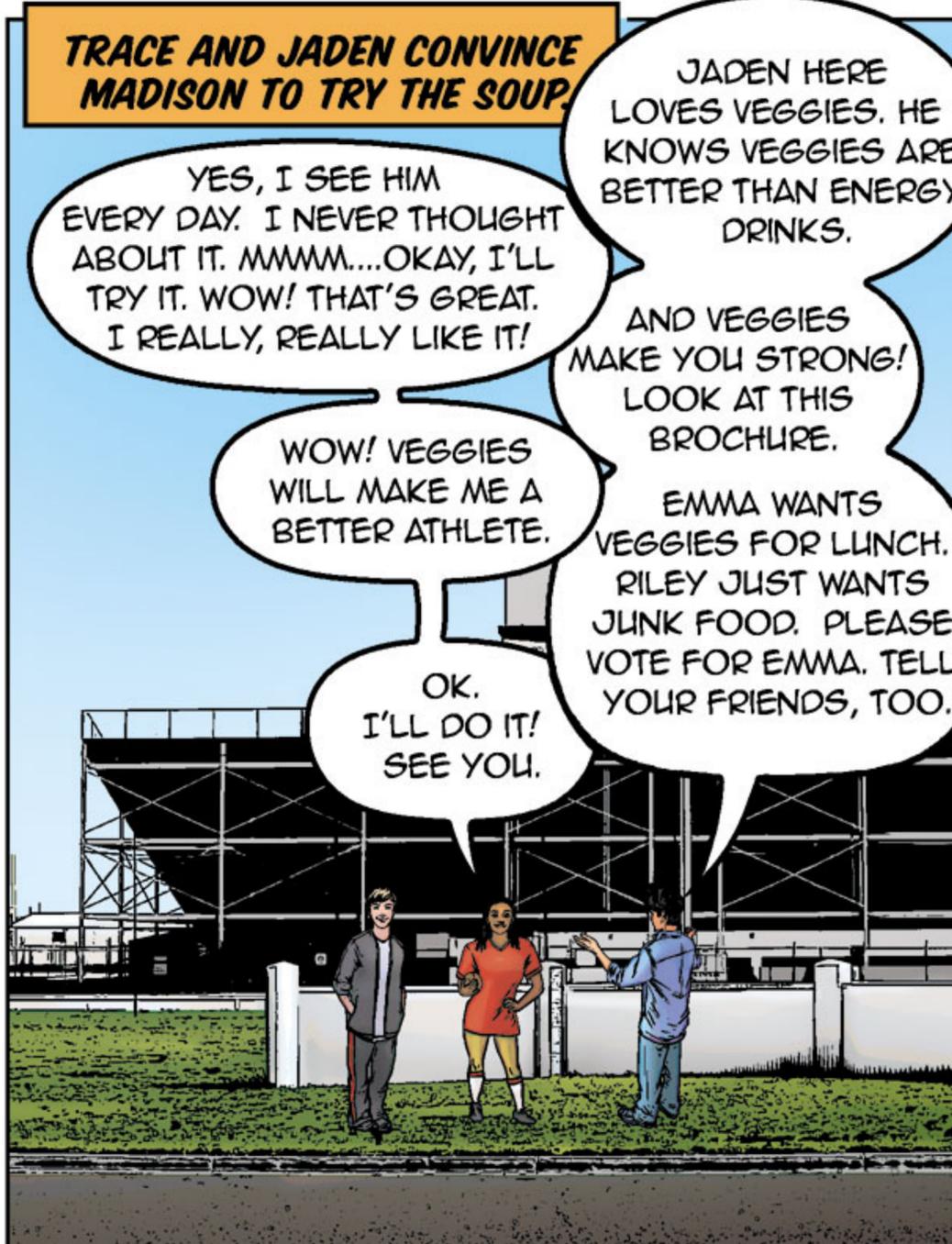
THIS IS DELICIOUS VEGETABLE SOUP. PLEASE TRY SOME.

OKAY. VEGETABLES HAVE VITAMINS AND MINERALS TO MAKE YOU STRONG.

PLEASE COME WITH ME. MAYBE YOU CAN PERSUADE MADISON TO TRY OUR VEGETABLE SOUP.

I'LL TRY.

**TRACE AND JADEN CONVINCED
MADISON TO TRY THE SOUP.**



YES, I SEE HIM EVERY DAY. I NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT IT. MMM...OKAY, I'LL TRY IT. WOW! THAT'S GREAT. I REALLY, REALLY LIKE IT!

JADEN HERE LOVES VEGGIES. HE KNOWS VEGGIES ARE BETTER THAN ENERGY DRINKS.

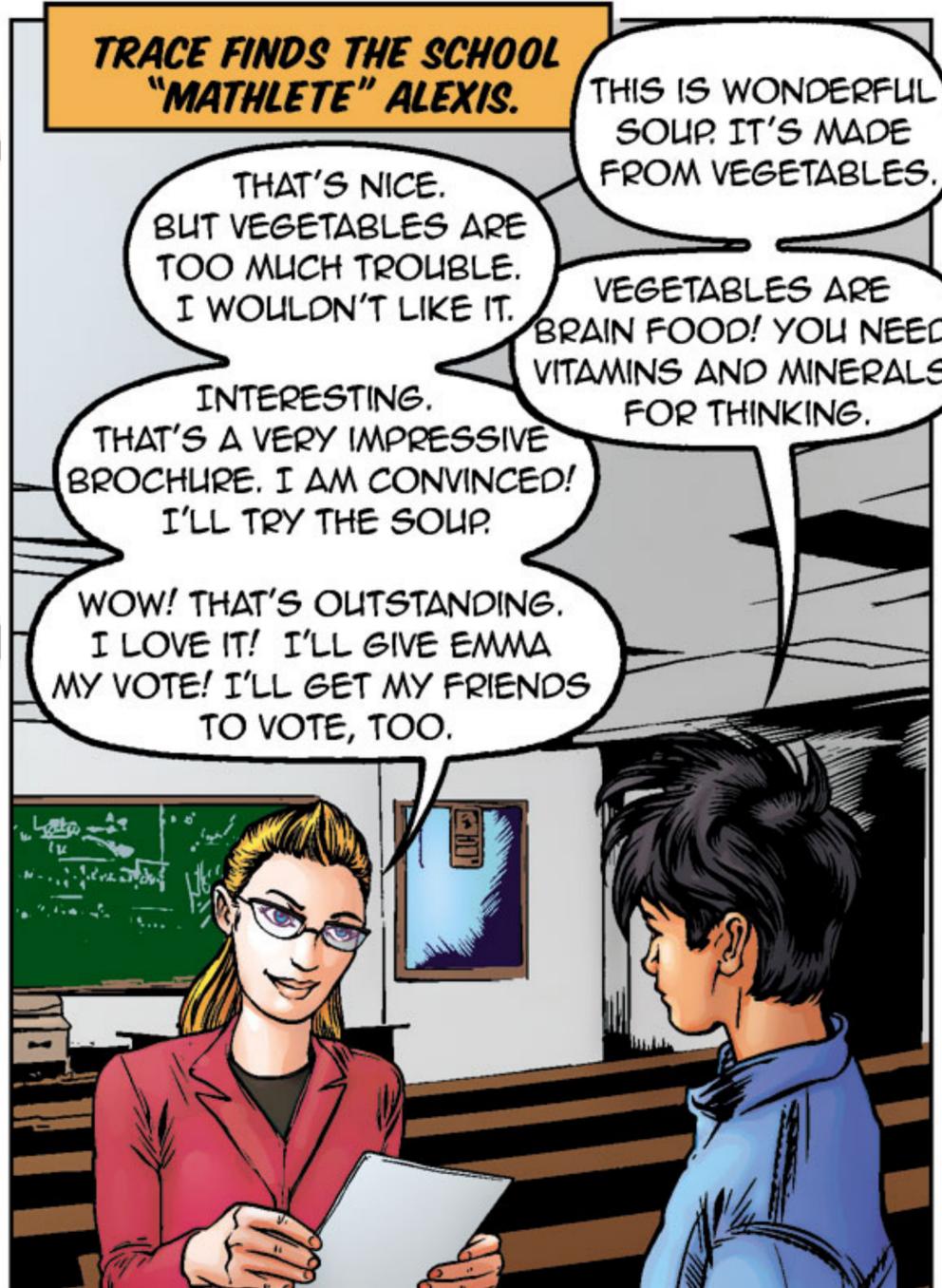
AND VEGGIES MAKE YOU STRONG! LOOK AT THIS BROCHURE.

WOW! VEGGIES WILL MAKE ME A BETTER ATHLETE.

EMMA WANTS VEGGIES FOR LUNCH. RILEY JUST WANTS JUNK FOOD. PLEASE VOTE FOR EMMA. TELL YOUR FRIENDS, TOO.

OK. I'LL DO IT! SEE YOU.

**TRACE FINDS THE SCHOOL
"MATHLETE" ALEXIS.**



THIS IS WONDERFUL SOUP. IT'S MADE FROM VEGETABLES.

THAT'S NICE. BUT VEGETABLES ARE TOO MUCH TROUBLE. I WOULDN'T LIKE IT.

VEGETABLES ARE BRAIN FOOD! YOU NEED VITAMINS AND MINERALS FOR THINKING.

INTERESTING. THAT'S A VERY IMPRESSIVE BROCHURE. I AM CONVINCED! I'LL TRY THE SOUP.

WOW! THAT'S OUTSTANDING. I LOVE IT! I'LL GIVE EMMA MY VOTE! I'LL GET MY FRIENDS TO VOTE, TOO.

TRACE FINDS EMMA TO GIVE HER THE NEWS.

HEY! TRACE!
HOW DID IT GO?

I PERSUADED
THREE STUDENT
LEADERS TO VOTE
FOR YOU.

IT'S OK, TRACE.
WE'VE PERSUADED A
MAJORITY OF STUDENT
LEADERS. THEY AND
THEIR FRIENDS WILL
VOTE FOR VEGGIES
AND ME!

AND THE WINNER
OF THE SCHOOL
ELECTION, OUR NEW
CLASS PRESIDENT,
IS...EMMA FIELDS!

**A REPORTER
APPROACHES TRACE.**

EXCUSE ME.
I'M ROBERT MARSHALL
WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL
PAPER. CAN I JUST
HAVE A MINUTE OF
YOUR TIME?

TELL US HOW YOU
FEEL ABOUT EMMA WINNING
THE ELECTION.

I'M HAPPY THAT
EMMA WON.

GREAT!
NEXT QUESTION...
WAS THERE ANYONE
ELSE WHO HELPED
EMMA SUCCEED?

MY FRIENDS,
KIT, EDDIE, AND
AVA MADE IT ALL
POSSIBLE!

THAT'S GREAT.
WHAT WAS THE BIGGEST
PROBLEM WITH EMMA'S
RIVAL? WHY WASN'T
SHE A GOOD
CHOICE?

SHE WAS GOING
TO PUT JUNK FOOD
ON THE MENU.

AND WHAT DO YOU
THINK WILL HAPPEN IN
SCHOOL THIS YEAR?

EMMA WILL BE
A GREAT SCHOOL
PRESIDENT!

I THINK SO, TOO.
CAN YOU TELL US WHAT
WAS THE SECRET INGREDIENT
IN THE SOUP?

SURE. IT WAS
THE PUMPKIN.

VERY INTERESTING!
THANKS VERY MUCH
FOR YOUR HELP.

**CHEF MARK FINDS
TRACE AND HIS FRIENDS.**

COME ON
TRACE, EDDIE, KIT--
WE HAVE TO GO!

THANKS
SO MUCH FOR
YOUR HELP, GUYS!
BYE!



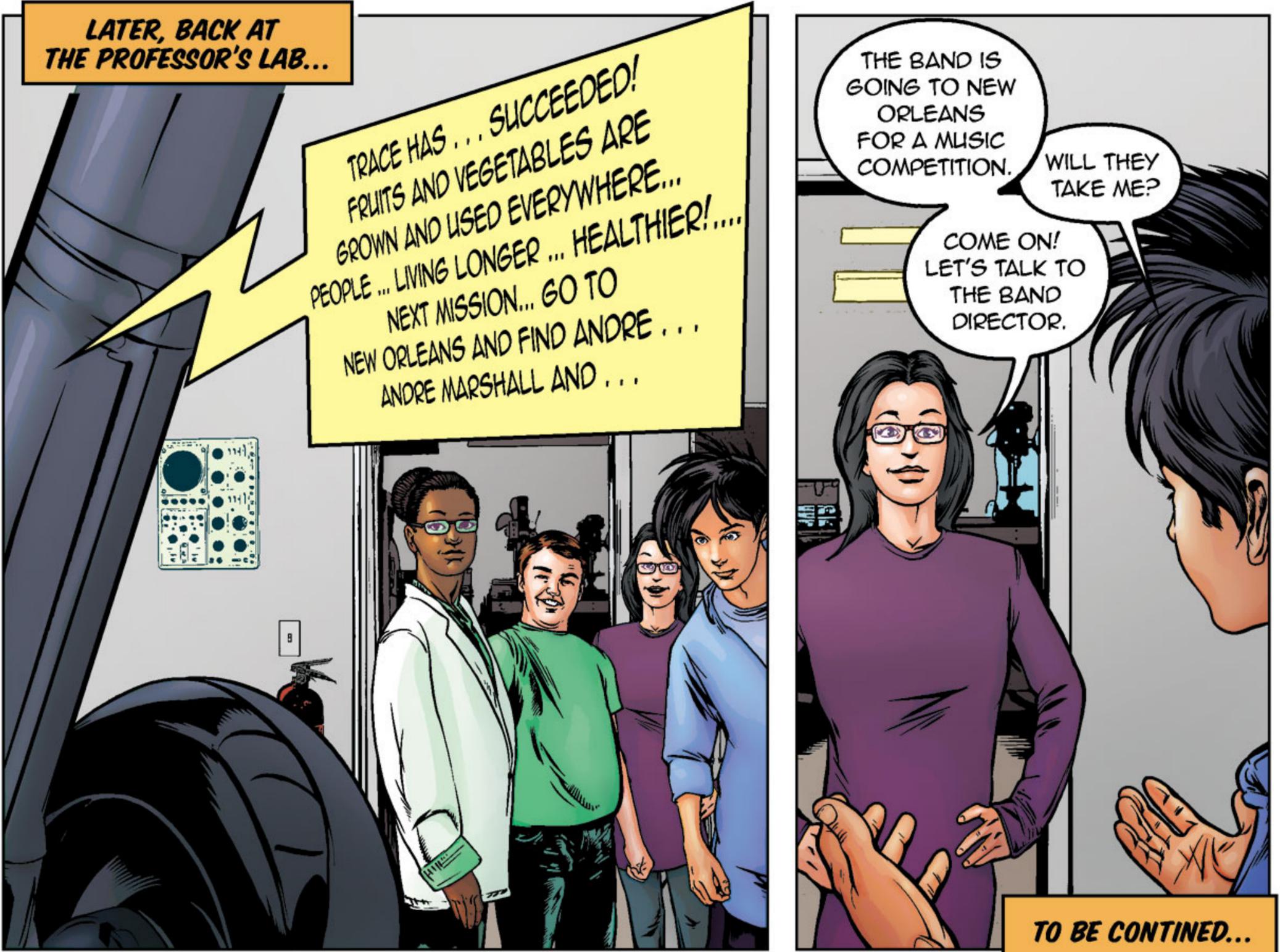
**LATER, BACK AT
THE PROFESSOR'S LAB...**

TRACE HAS ... SUCCEEDED!
FRUITS AND VEGETABLES ARE
GROWN AND USED EVERYWHERE...
PEOPLE ... LIVING LONGER ... HEALTHIER!....
NEXT MISSION... GO TO
NEW ORLEANS AND FIND ANDRE ...
ANDRE MARSHALL AND ...

THE BAND IS
GOING TO NEW
ORLEANS
FOR A MUSIC
COMPETITION.

WILL THEY
TAKE ME?

COME ON!
LET'S TALK TO
THE BAND
DIRECTOR.



TO BE CONTINUED...