

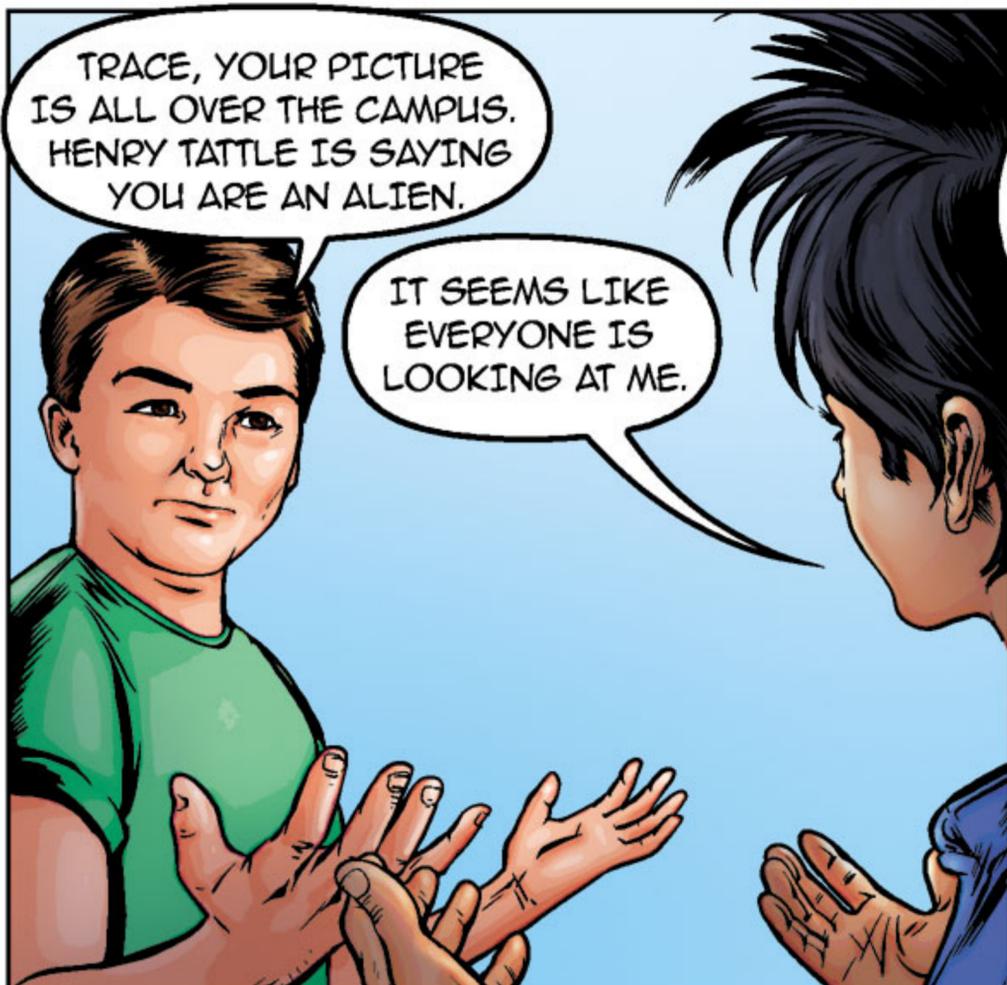
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TRACE EFFECTS



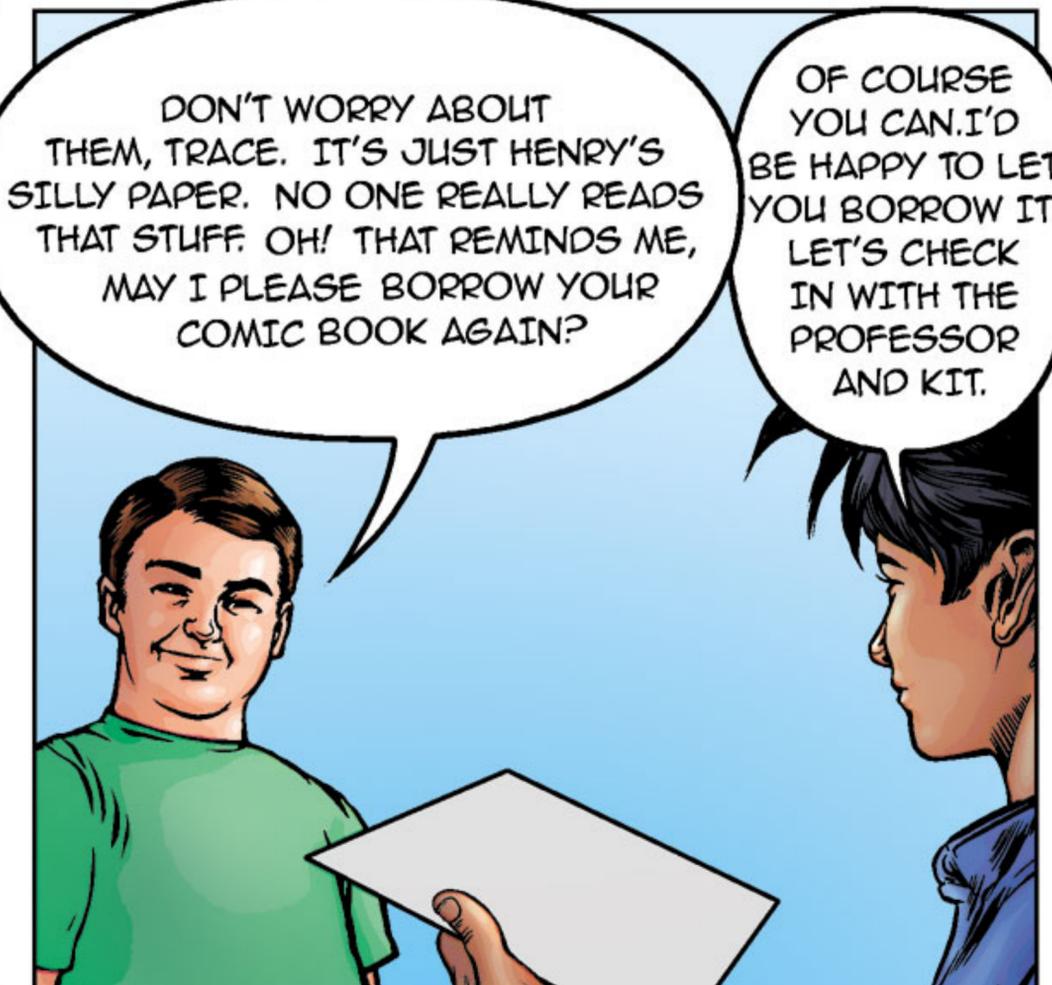
CHAPTER 6

TRACE RETURNS TO THE UNIVERSITY AND DISCOVERS AN UNSETTLING SITUATION.



TRACE, YOUR PICTURE IS ALL OVER THE CAMPUS. HENRY TATTLE IS SAYING YOU ARE AN ALIEN.

IT SEEMS LIKE EVERYONE IS LOOKING AT ME.



DON'T WORRY ABOUT THEM, TRACE. IT'S JUST HENRY'S SILLY PAPER. NO ONE REALLY READS THAT STUFF. OH! THAT REMINDS ME, MAY I PLEASE BORROW YOUR COMIC BOOK AGAIN?

OF COURSE YOU CAN. I'D BE HAPPY TO LET YOU BORROW IT. LET'S CHECK IN WITH THE PROFESSOR AND KIT.

TRACE AND EDDIE RETURN TO THE PROFESSOR'S LAB.

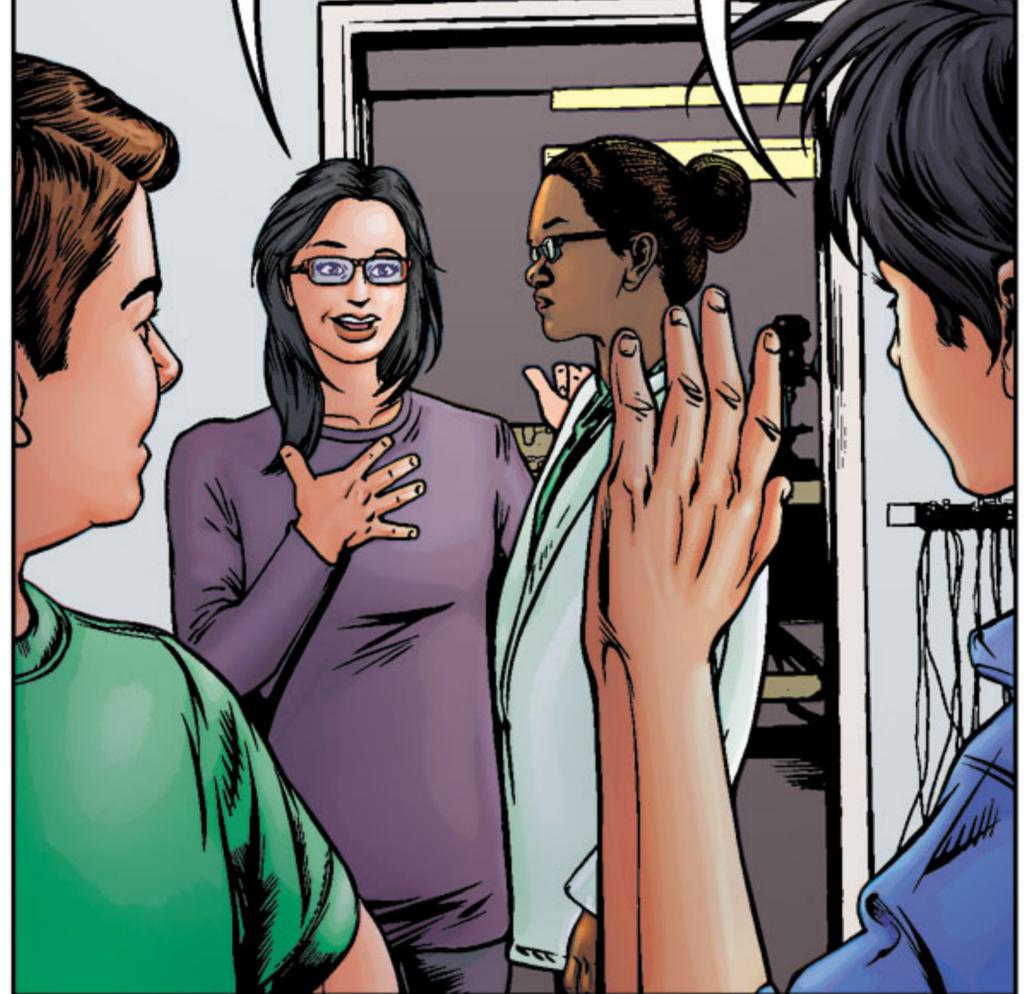
I'VE ALMOST FIXED THE TIME MACHINE, TRACE. IN THE MEANTIME, YOUR NEXT MISSION IS IN SAN FRANCISCO. YOU'RE GOING TO HELP A GIRL NAMED ANNIE. I'M GOING THERE TO JUDGE A SCIENCE FAIR COMPETITION, SO YOU CAN COME WITH ME.

THANKS, PROFESSOR PETERSON! ARE YOU GOING WITH US, KIT AND EDDIE?



EDDIE AND I SHOULD STAY HERE. WE NEED A LITTLE TIME TO FOCUS ON OUR SCHOOLWORK.

OKAY, WE'LL SEE YOU LATER THEN!



TRACE AND PROFESSOR PETERSON ARRIVE IN SAN FRANCISCO.



TRACE, YOU GO LOOK FOR ANNIE. I HAVE TO GO JUDGE THE SCIENCE FAIR! I WILL FIND YOU LATER.

I'LL DO MY BEST. SEE YOU LATER, PROFESSOR PETERSON.



TRACE FINDS ANNIE WANG.

HI! I'M ANNIE!
I'VE INVENTED AUTOMATIC
WALKING SHOES! WALK AS
FAR AS YOU WANT AND
NEVER GET TIRED!

HI, ANNIE.
I'M TRACE. WOULD
YOU LET ME TRY
THEM OUT?

SORRY, THEY RUN
ON BATTERIES, AND THE
BATTERIES ARE DEAD. I HAVE
TO FIND A WAY TO CHARGE
THEM, BUT I CAN'T LEAVE
MY BOOTH.

I'D LIKE TO
HELP. I'LL TAKE
THE BATTERIES AND
FIND SOMEONE TO
CHARGE THEM
FOR YOU.

I GUESS THAT'S
OKAY. HERE YOU GO.



TRACE MEETS AHMED.

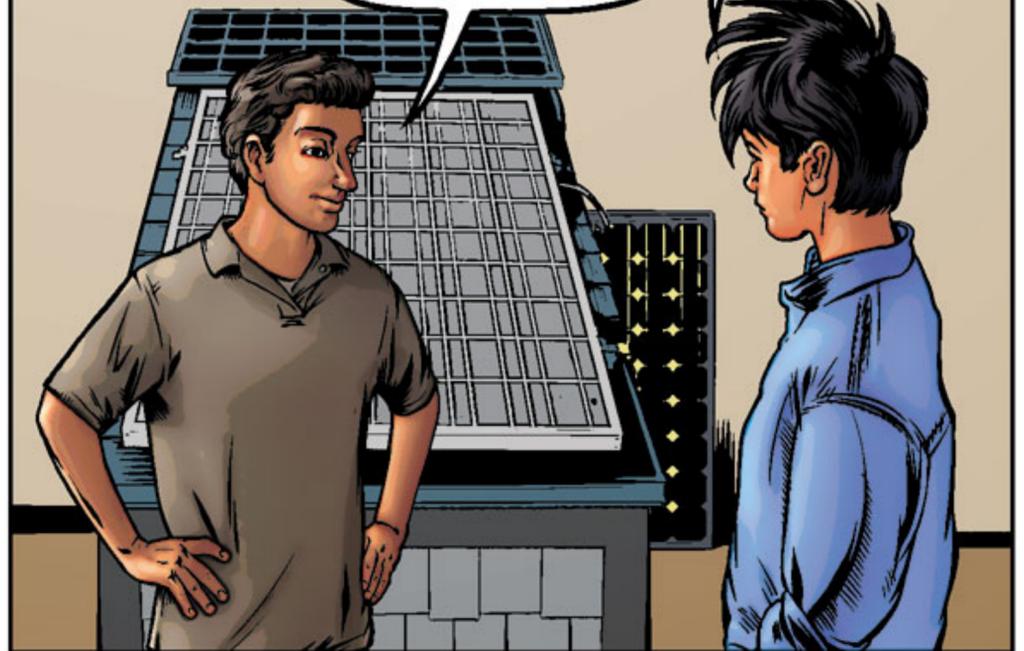
HI! I'M AHMED!
I STUDY RENEWABLE
ENERGY, AND I'VE INVENTED
A WAY TO POWER THIS LIGHT
BULB THROUGH THE
SUN'S RAYS.

COULD YOU
PLEASE CHARGE
THESE BATTERIES?

SURE, I'VE GOT FREE
SOLAR POWER! BUT I'LL
NEED A POWER CORD.

OKAY, THANKS.
I'LL TRY TO
FIND ONE.

JUST BRING IT
BACK HERE WHEN
YOU FIND ONE.



TRACE TRIES TO MEET RYAN.

HI, MY NAME'S
TRACE. WHAT'S YOUR
PROJECT ABOUT?

WHAT?...
TOO...
SLEEPY...
NEED...
COFFEE...



TRACE MEETS SOPHIE.

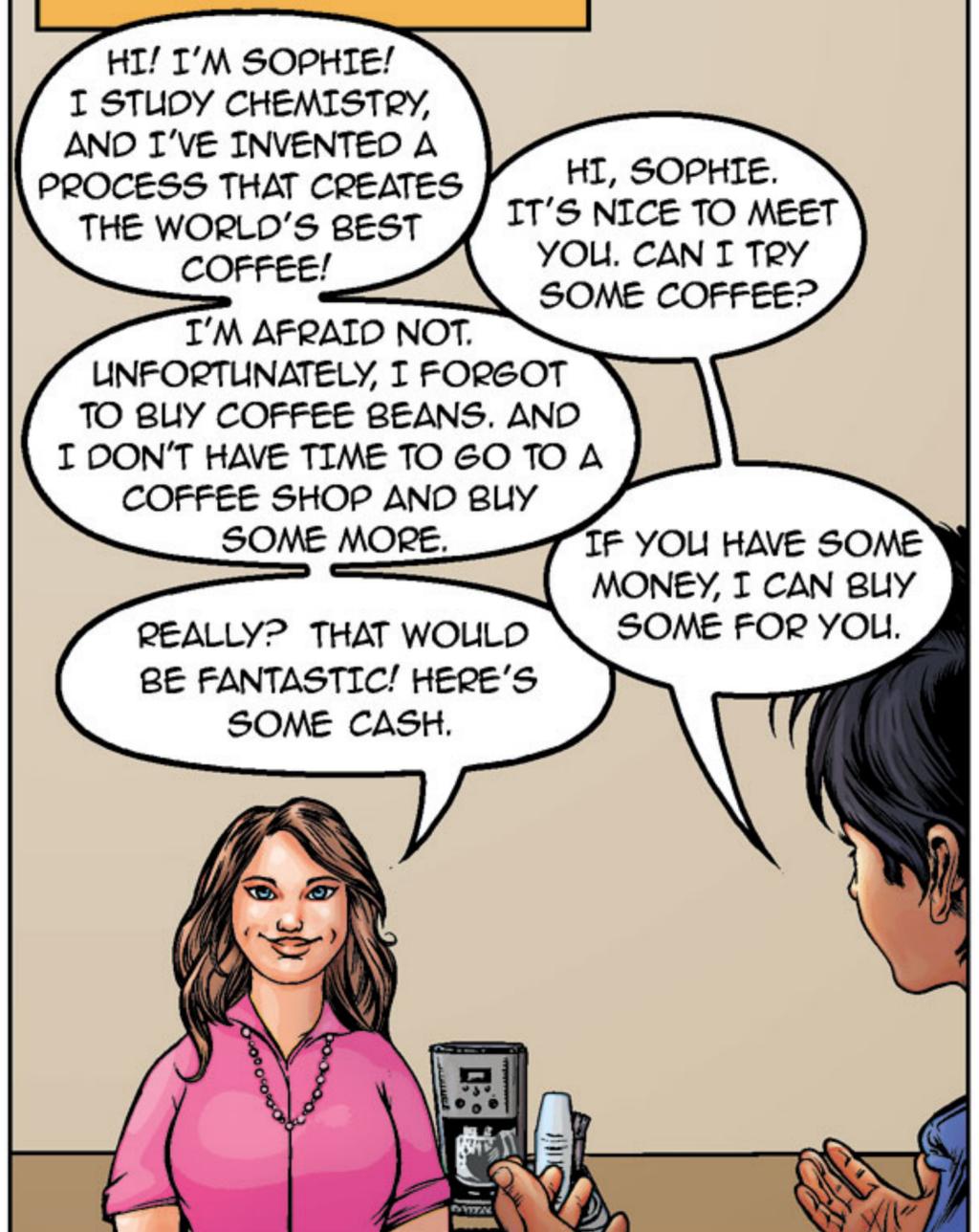
HI! I'M SOPHIE!
I STUDY CHEMISTRY,
AND I'VE INVENTED A
PROCESS THAT CREATES
THE WORLD'S BEST
COFFEE!

HI, SOPHIE.
IT'S NICE TO MEET
YOU. CAN I TRY
SOME COFFEE?

I'M AFRAID NOT.
UNFORTUNATELY, I FORGOT
TO BUY COFFEE BEANS. AND
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO GO TO A
COFFEE SHOP AND BUY
SOME MORE.

IF YOU HAVE SOME
MONEY, I CAN BUY
SOME FOR YOU.

REALLY? THAT WOULD
BE FANTASTIC! HERE'S
SOME CASH.



TRACE SEARCHES THE ROOM AND DISCOVERS THE COFFEE SHOP.

HEY! WHAT CAN I GET YOU TODAY?

SURE! THAT'LL BE \$10, PLEASE.

I NEED ONE POUND OF COFFEE BEANS, PLEASE.



THANKS! HAVE A GREAT DAY!



TRACE BRINGS THE COFFEE BEANS TO SOPHIE.

I BOUGHT THE COFFEE BEANS!

WONDERFUL!

COULD I PLEASE HAVE A CLIP OF YOUR COFFEE AFTER IT'S BREWED?

WELL, ACTUALLY, WHILE YOU WERE GONE, I REALIZED THAT I DON'T HAVE A COFFEE GRINDER EITHER. DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING I CAN USE TO GRIND THE COFFEE BEANS?

NO, I DON'T. I'LL KEEP MY EYE OUT THOUGH!



TRACE MEETS THOMAS.

HI! I'M THOMAS! I STUDY MEDICINE, AND I'VE INVENTED A CURE FOR THE COMMON COLD!

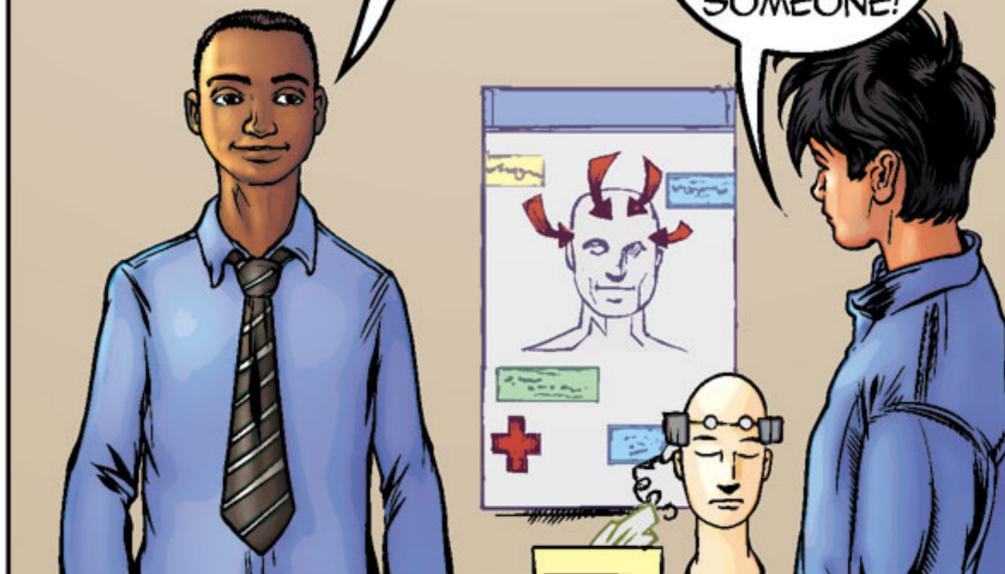
I'M TRACE. CAN I SEE A DEMONSTRATION?

UNFORTUNATELY, I NEED A SICK PERSON TO DEMONSTRATE THE CURE.

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING THAT COULD HELP ME GRIND COFFEE BEANS?

WELL, IF YOU FIND A SICK PERSON FOR MY DEMONSTRATION, I'LL FIND SOMETHING THAT'LL WORK!

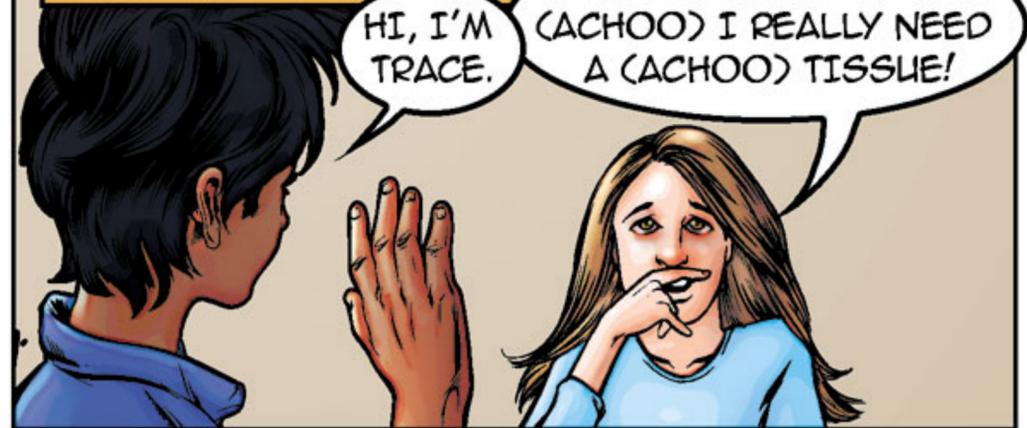
I'LL KEEP MY EYE OUT FOR SOMEONE!



TRACE MEETS KAYLA, WHO IS VERY SICK.

HI, I'M TRACE.

I CAN'T TALK NOW! (ACHOO) I REALLY NEED A (ACHOO) TISSUE!

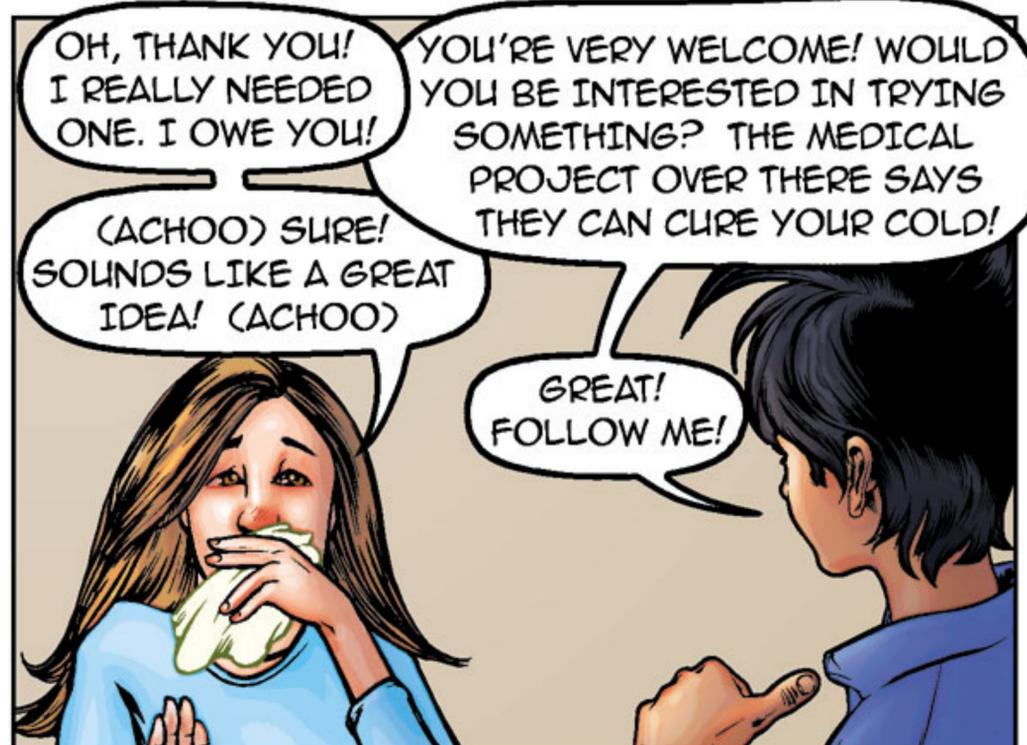


OH, THANK YOU! I REALLY NEEDED ONE. I OWE YOU!

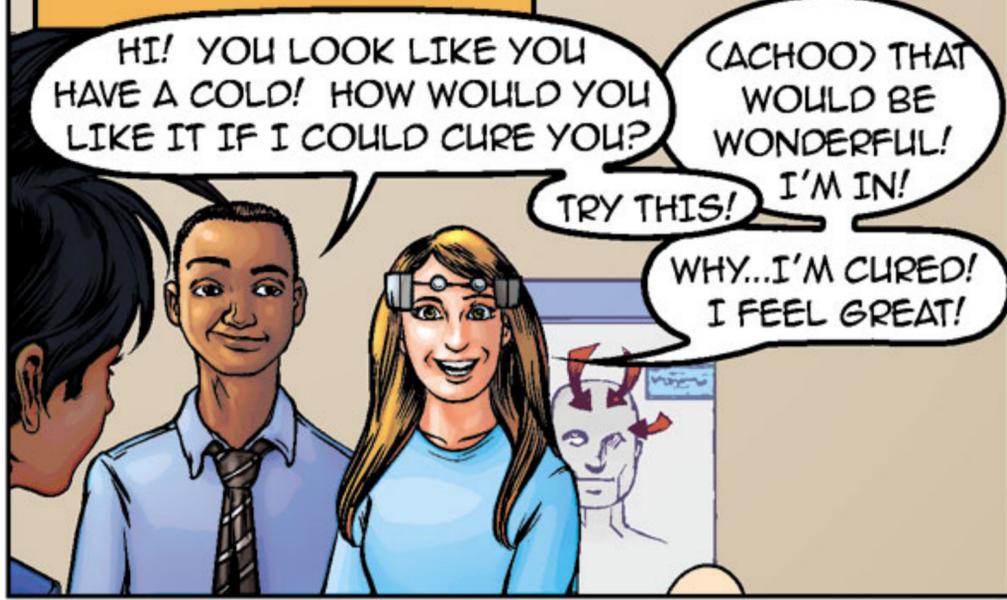
YOU'RE VERY WELCOME! WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN TRYING SOMETHING? THE MEDICAL PROJECT OVER THERE SAYS THEY CAN CURE YOUR COLD!

(ACHOO) SURE! SOUNDS LIKE A GREAT IDEA! (ACHOO)

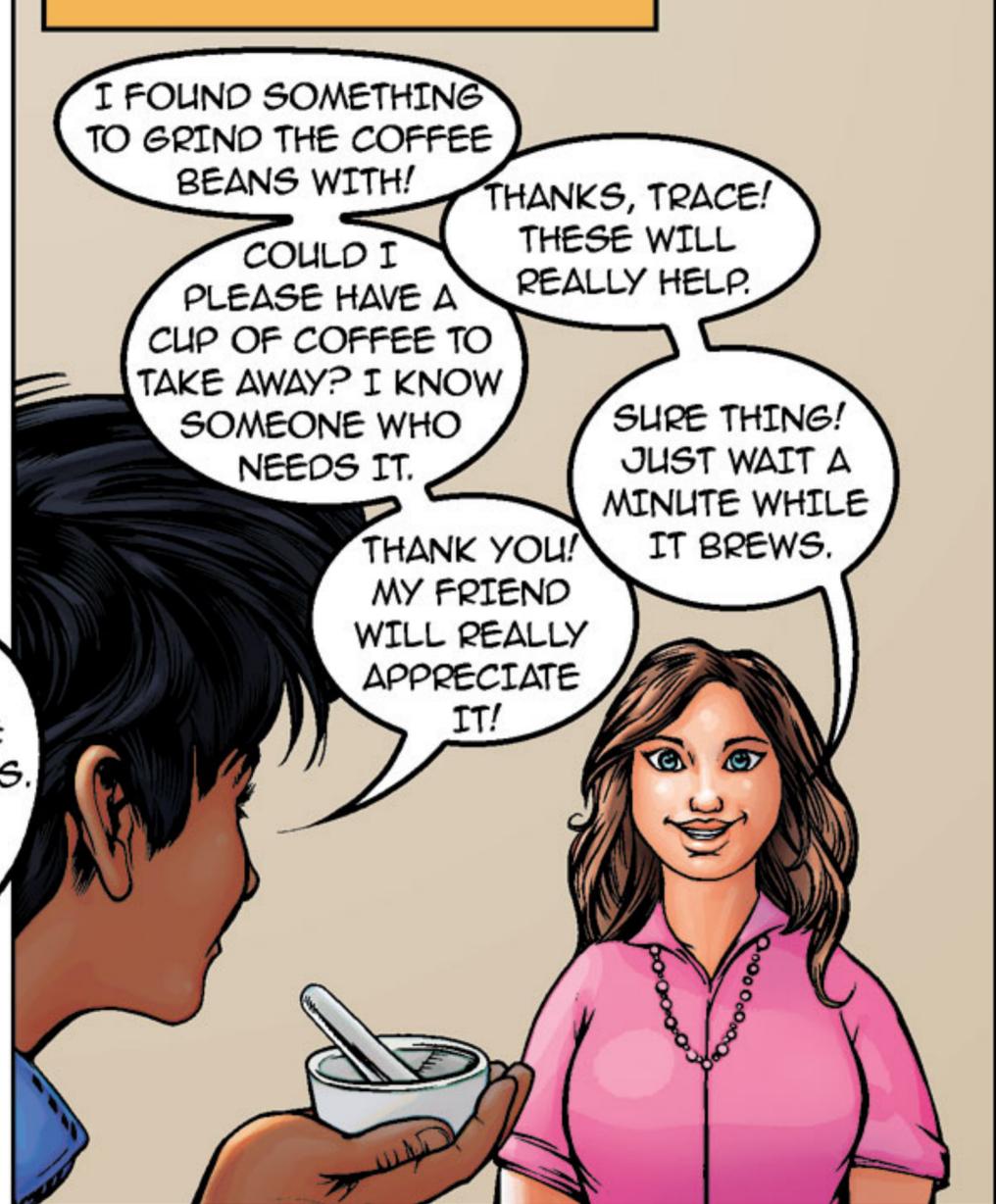
GREAT! FOLLOW ME!



TRACE INTRODUCES KAYLA TO THOMAS.



TRACE BRINGS SOPHIE THE MORTAR AND PESTLE.



I BROUGHT YOU A SICK PERSON. I NEED SOMETHING TO GRIND COFFEE BEANS. WHAT I CAN USE?

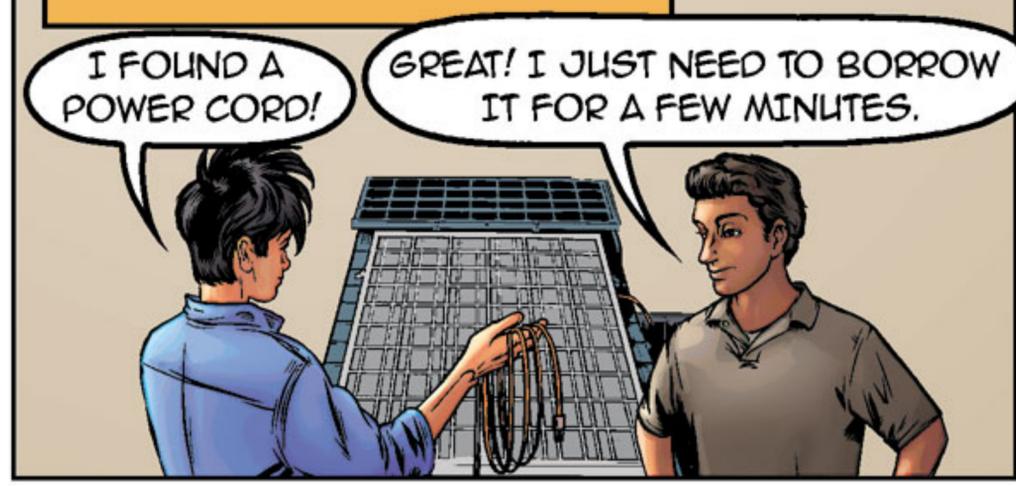
WELL, I HAVE A MORTAR AND PESTLE. I USE THOSE TO GRIND INGREDIENTS. YOU CAN BORROW THEM TO GRIND COFFEE BEANS.

THANKS!

TRACE BRINGS A MUCH NEEDED CUP OF COFFEE TO RYAN.



TRACE BRINGS THE POWER CORD TO AHMED.



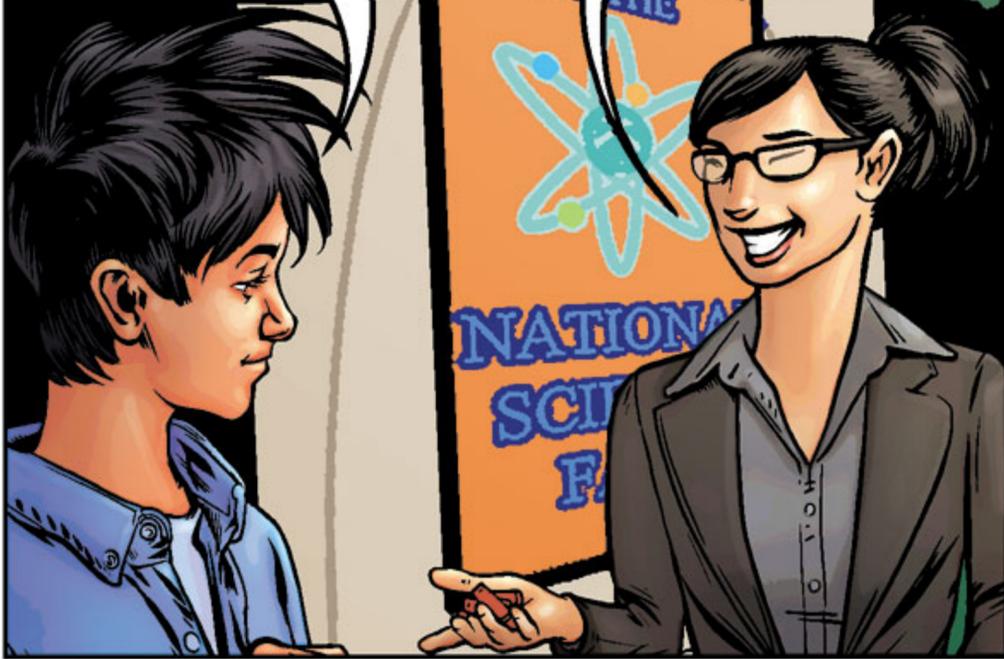
AFTER A FEW MINUTES...



TRACE RETURNS TO ANNIE'S BOOTH.

I CHARGED THE BATTERIES!

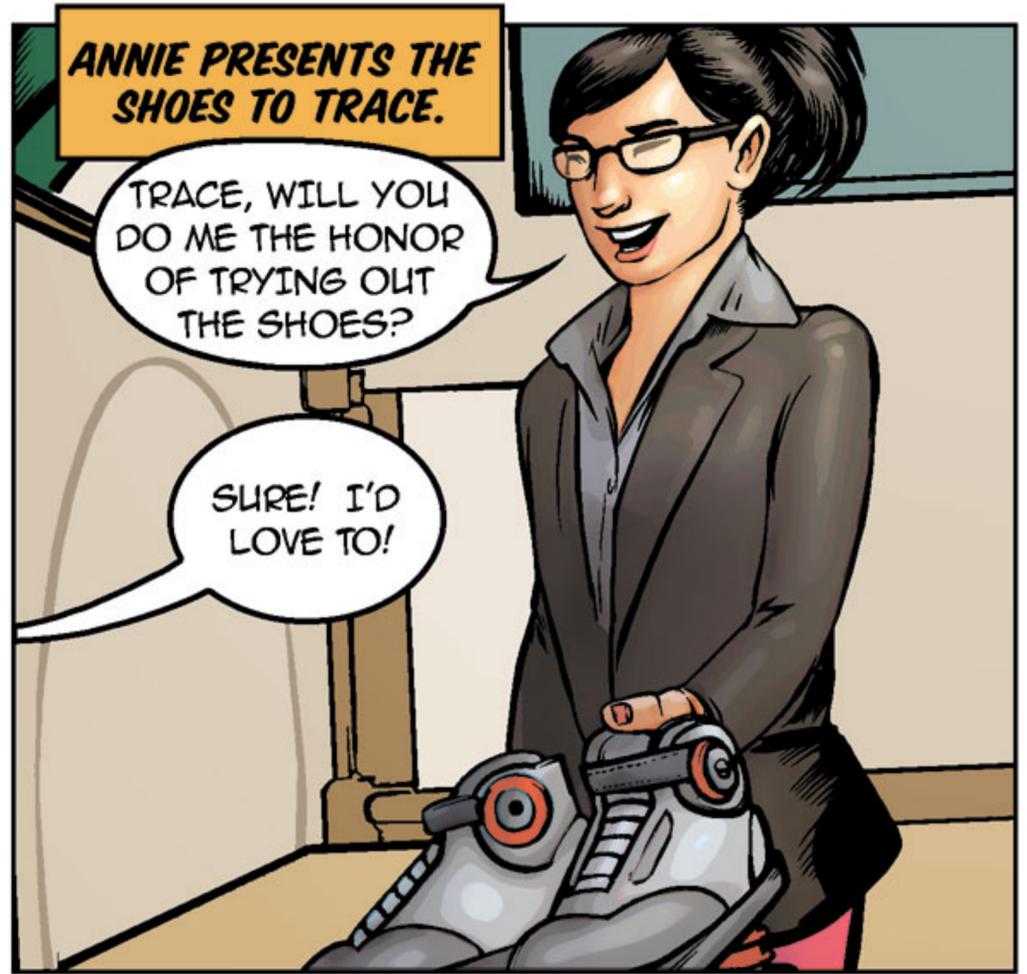
THANK YOU, TRACE!
I THINK THIS WORKS!



ANNIE PRESENTS THE SHOES TO TRACE.

TRACE, WILL YOU DO ME THE HONOR OF TRYING OUT THE SHOES?

SURE! I'D LOVE TO!



TRACE TRIES OUT THE ELECTRIC SHOES.



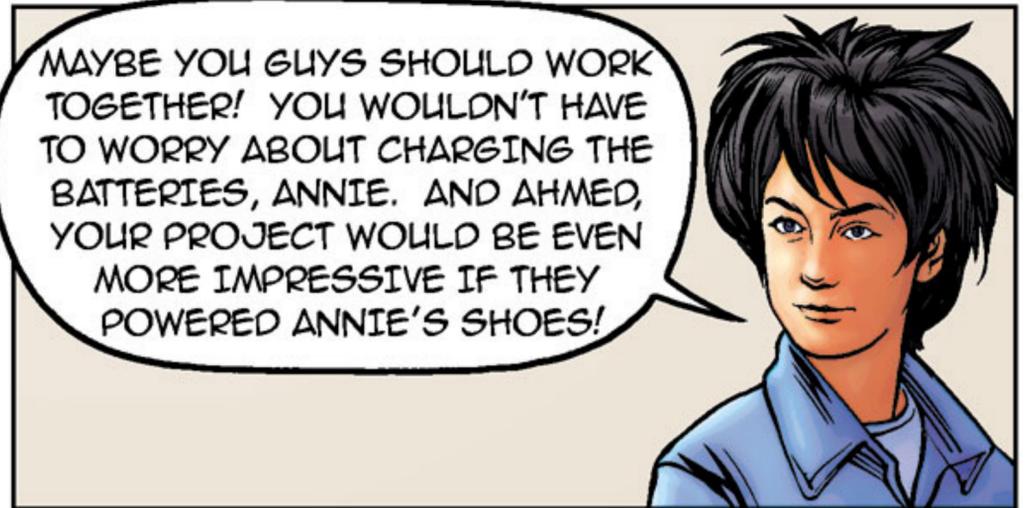
OH NO! THE BATTERIES DIED AGAIN!

I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR HELP, AHMED.

HEY, TRACE. NEED ANOTHER CHARGE? ...WAIT! IT WAS ANNIE I WAS HELPING? SHE'S MY BIGGEST RIVAL!



MAYBE YOU GUYS SHOULD WORK TOGETHER! YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT CHARGING THE BATTERIES, ANNIE. AND AHMED, YOUR PROJECT WOULD BE EVEN MORE IMPRESSIVE IF THEY POWERED ANNIE'S SHOES!



WHAT DO YOU SAY? I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!

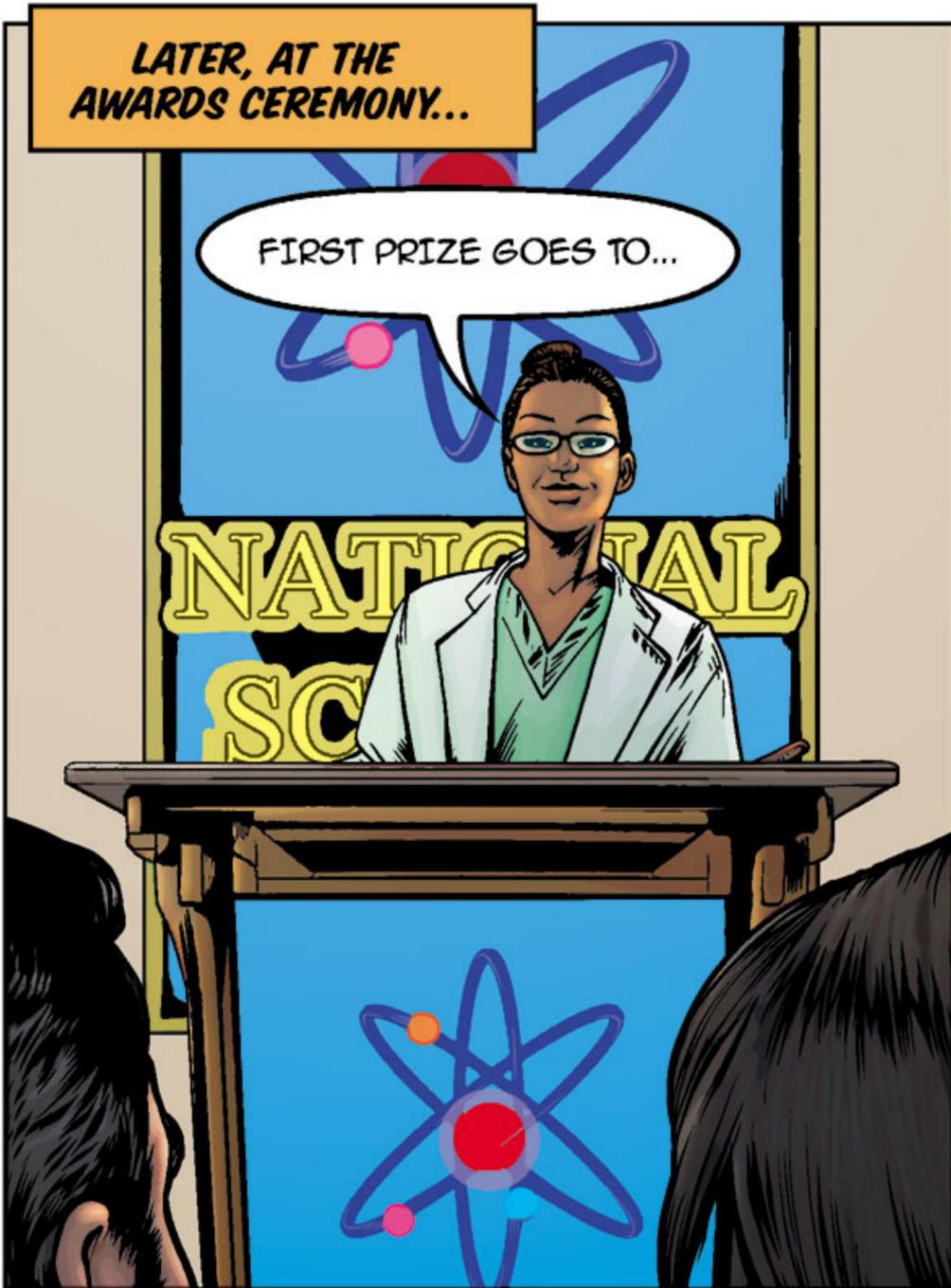
I...GUESS THAT COULD WORK. IT'S A DEAL!



LATER, AT THE AWARDS CEREMONY...

FIRST PRIZE GOES TO...

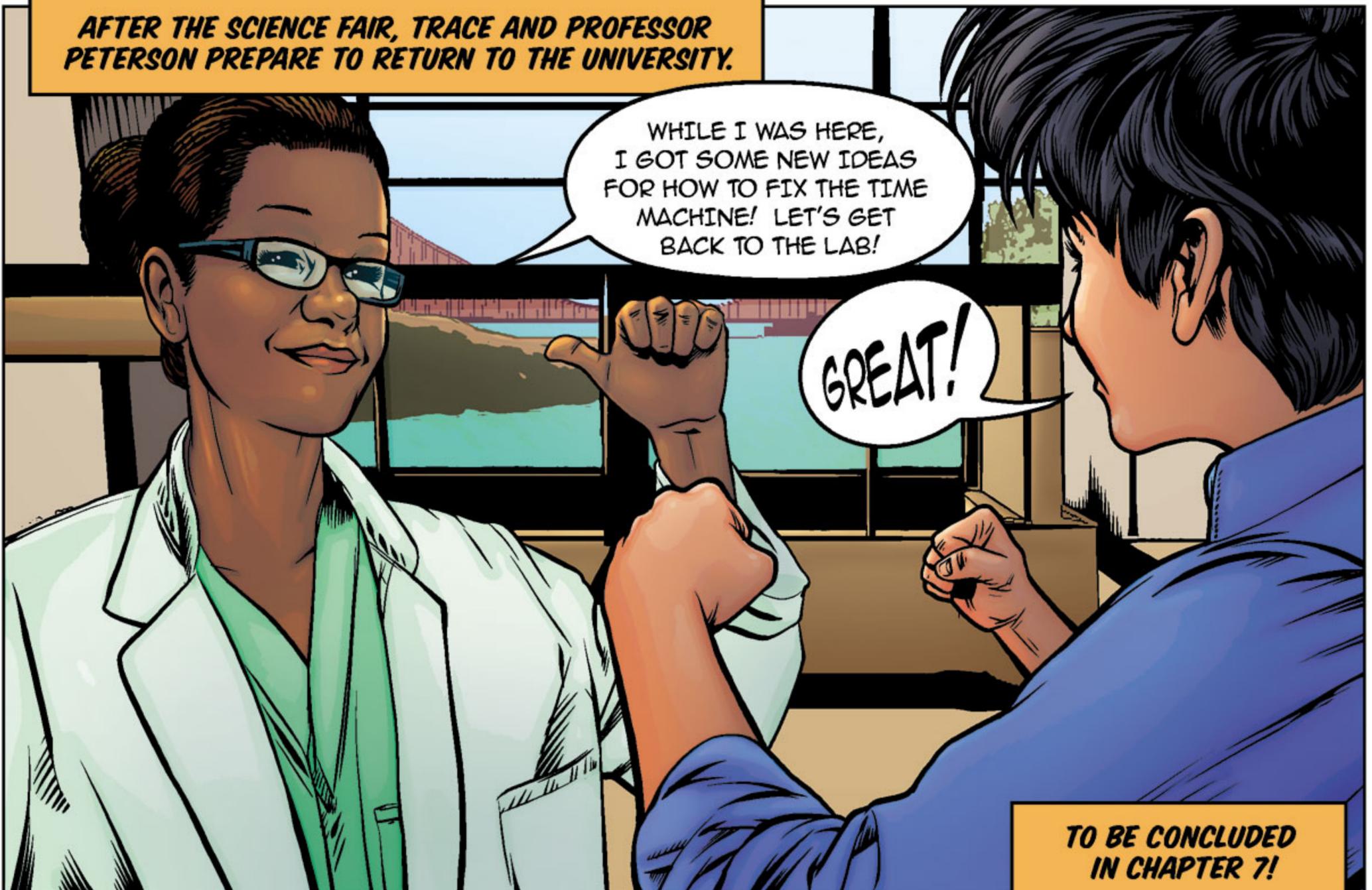
...ANNIE WANG AND AHMED AL JABER!



AFTER THE SCIENCE FAIR, TRACE AND PROFESSOR PETERSON PREPARE TO RETURN TO THE UNIVERSITY.

WHILE I WAS HERE, I GOT SOME NEW IDEAS FOR HOW TO FIX THE TIME MACHINE! LET'S GET BACK TO THE LAB!

GREAT!



TO BE CONCLUDED IN CHAPTER 7!