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BAND
CONTRACT



THE
WALK

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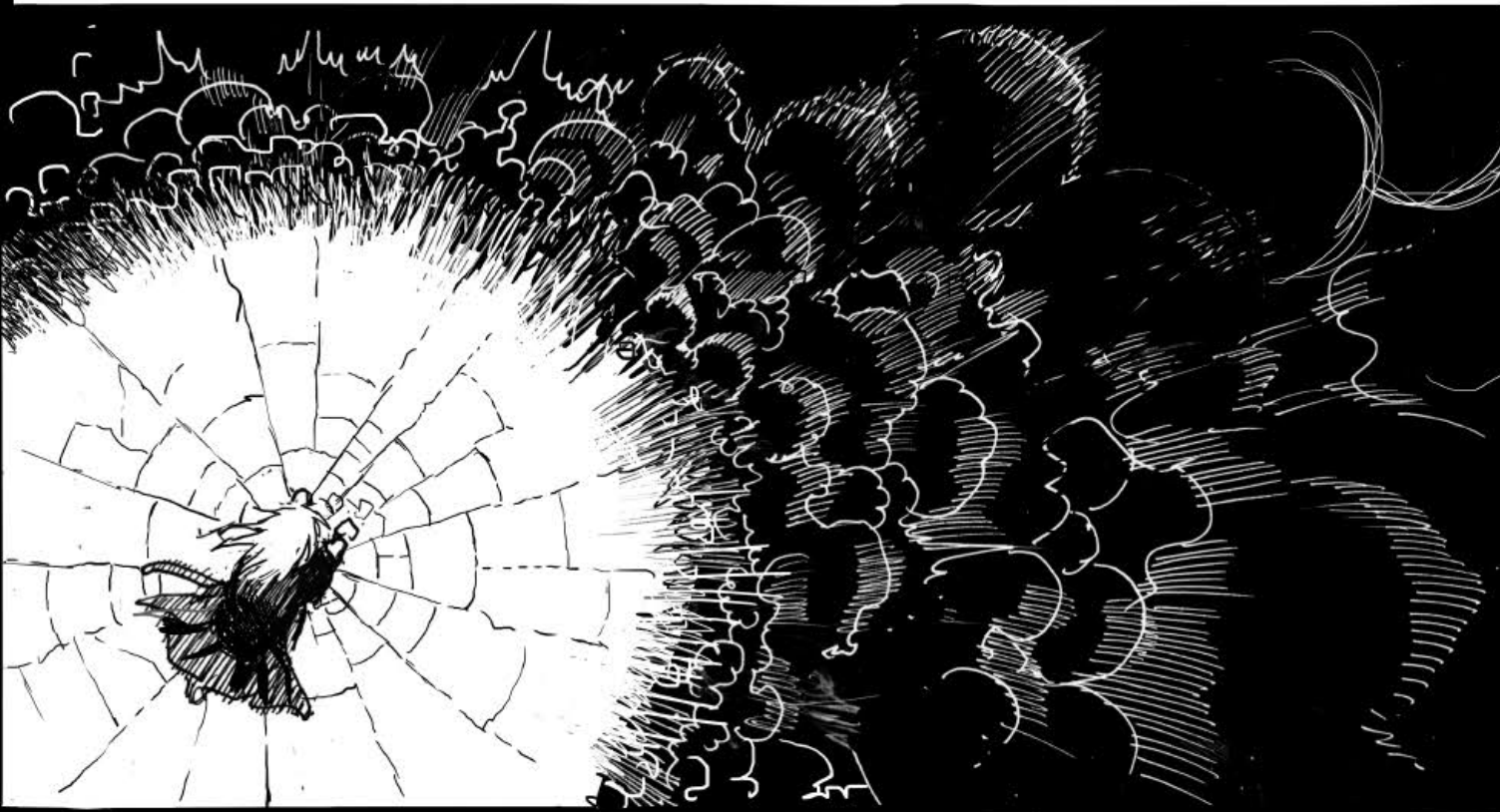
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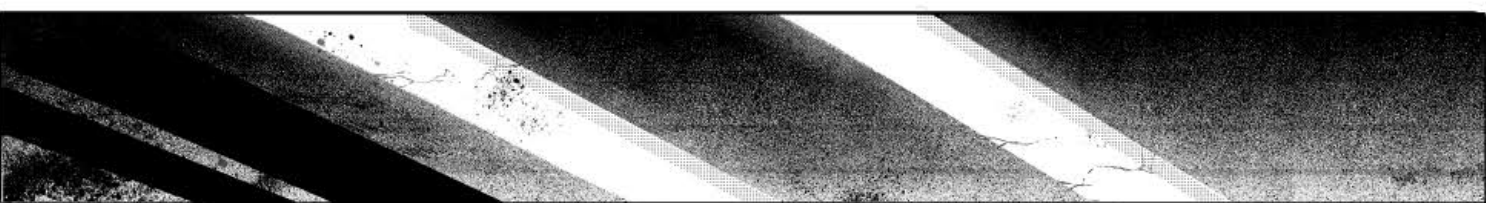
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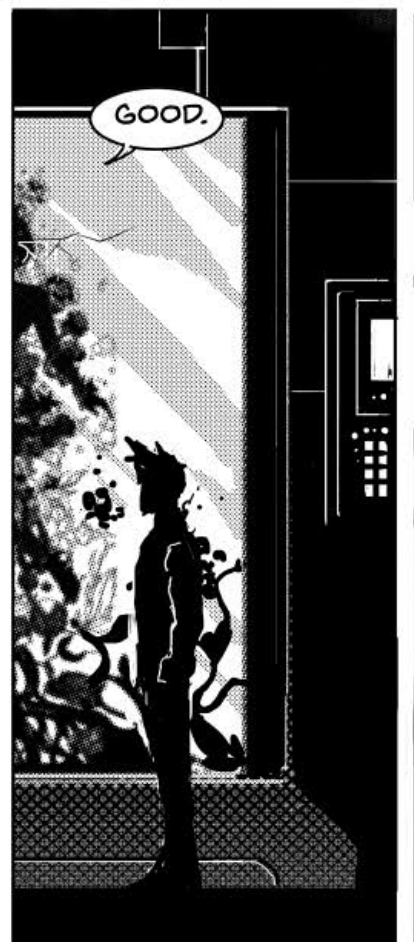




SO,
ADAM...



YOU LET
SOME *STEAM*
OFF?

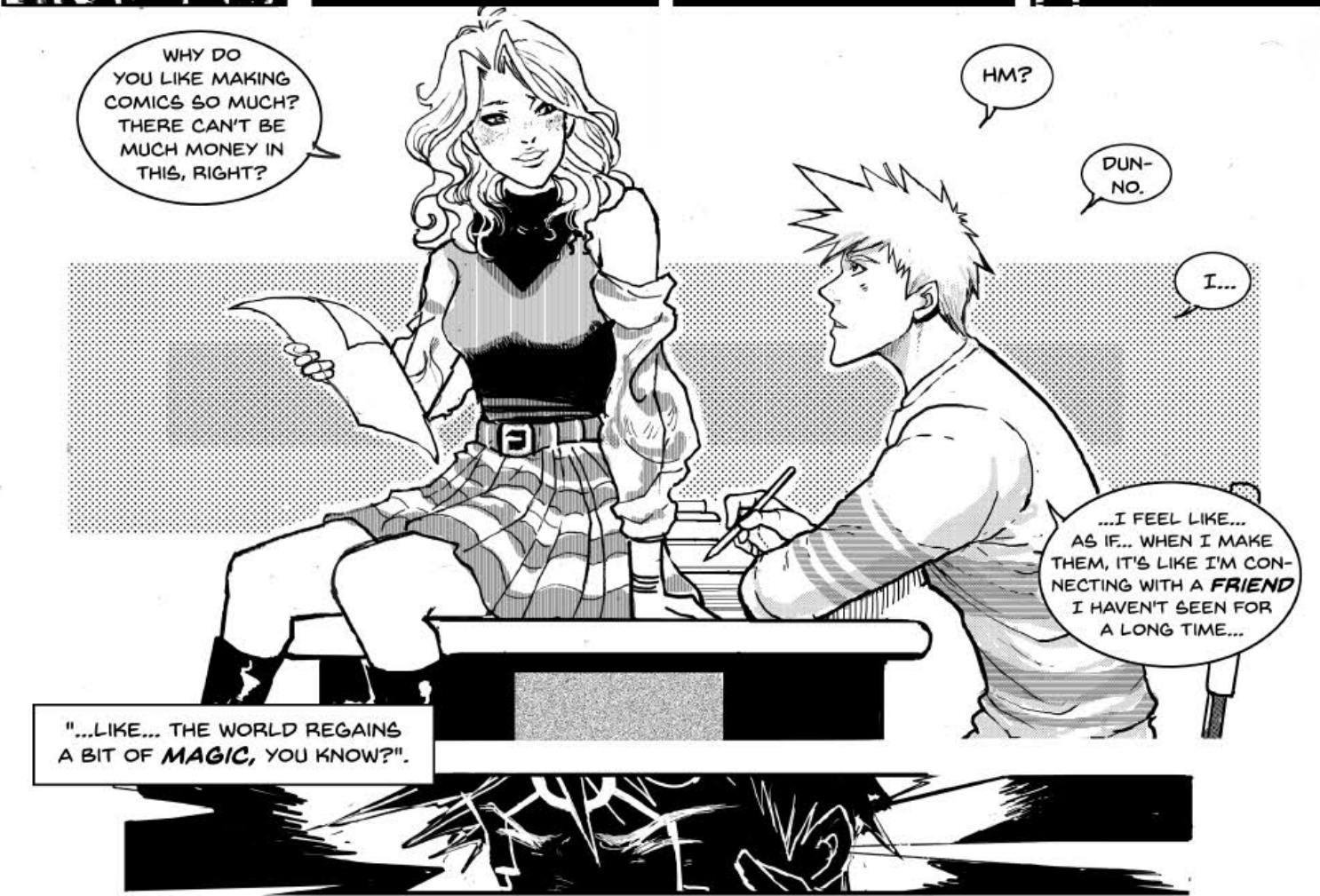


GOOD.



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 CON-
NECTING 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...
HEREMITES... SAY
THAT NO ONE HAS
BEEN ABLE TO WEAR
IT FOR MORE THAN A
FEW MONTHS...

...THE PO-
WER 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...
**DESTABILIZ-
ING**...

DURING THE INCI-
DENT.



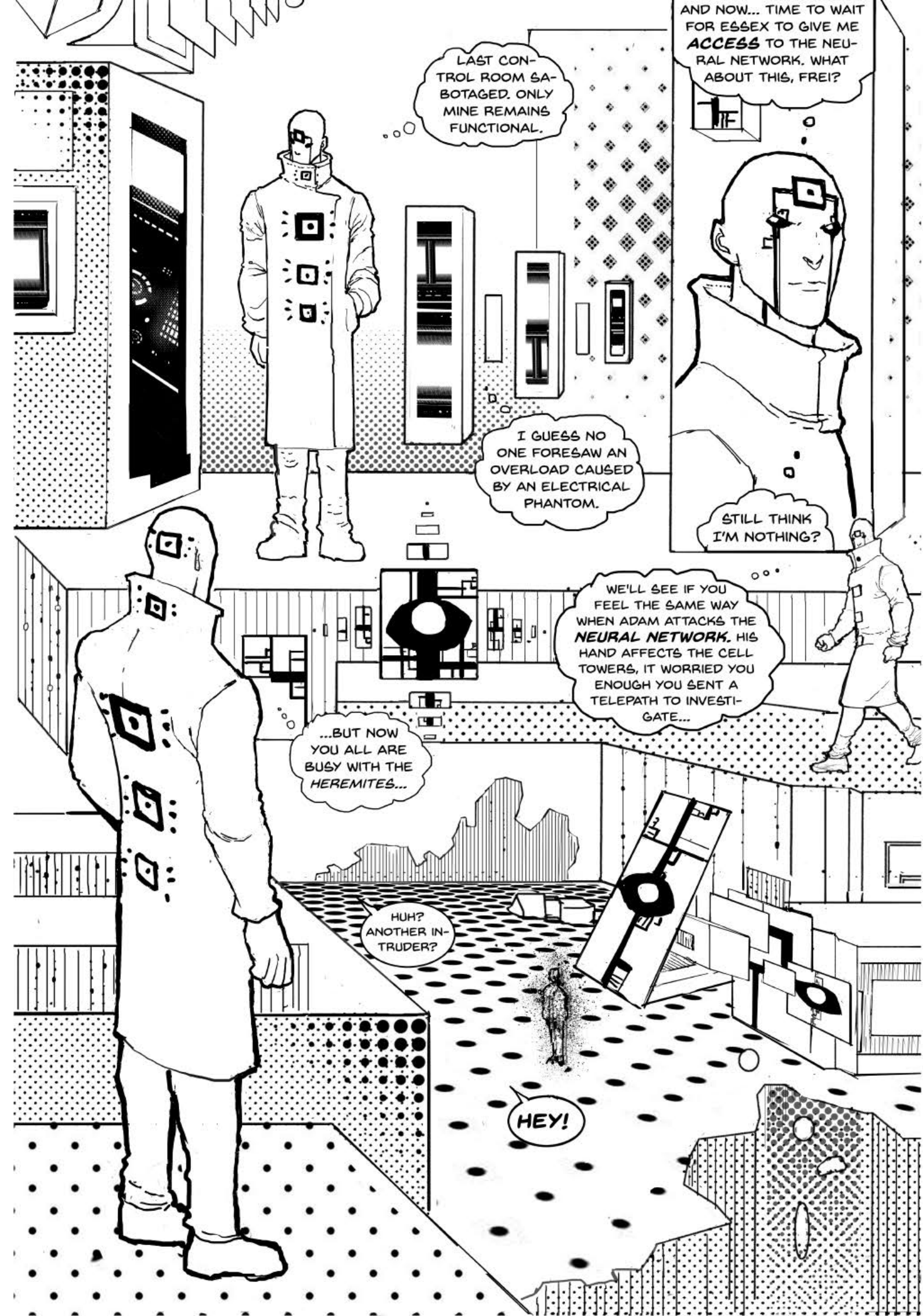
O2! CAN
SOMEONE
CONTACT...?

I DON'T UN-
DERSTAND. OUR
CAMERAS... I
DON'T...



...WHY ARE
THEY...

HUH?



LAST CON-
TROL ROOM SA-
BOTAGED. ONLY
MINE REMAINS
FUNCTIONAL.

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

STILL THINK
I'M NOTHING?

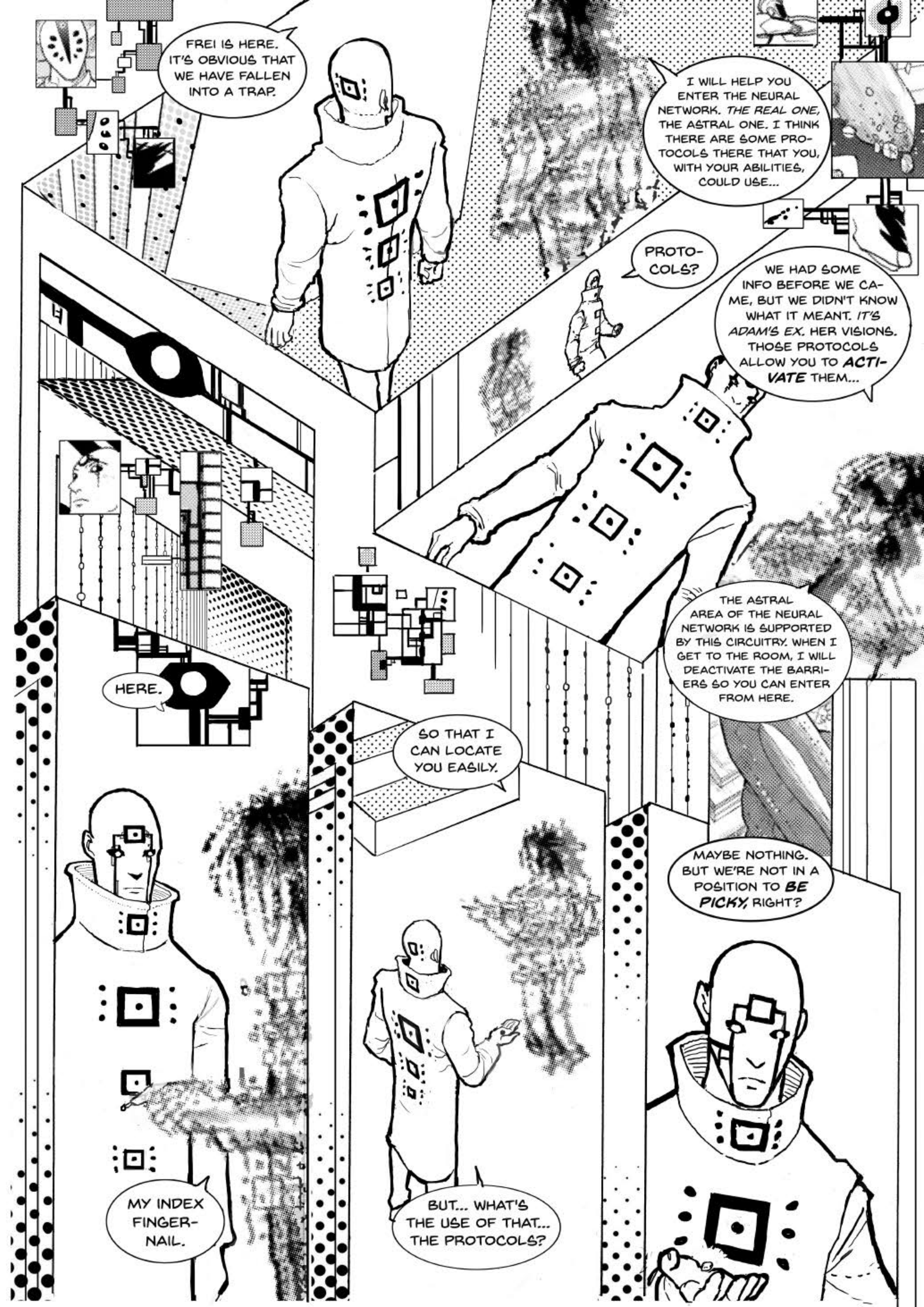
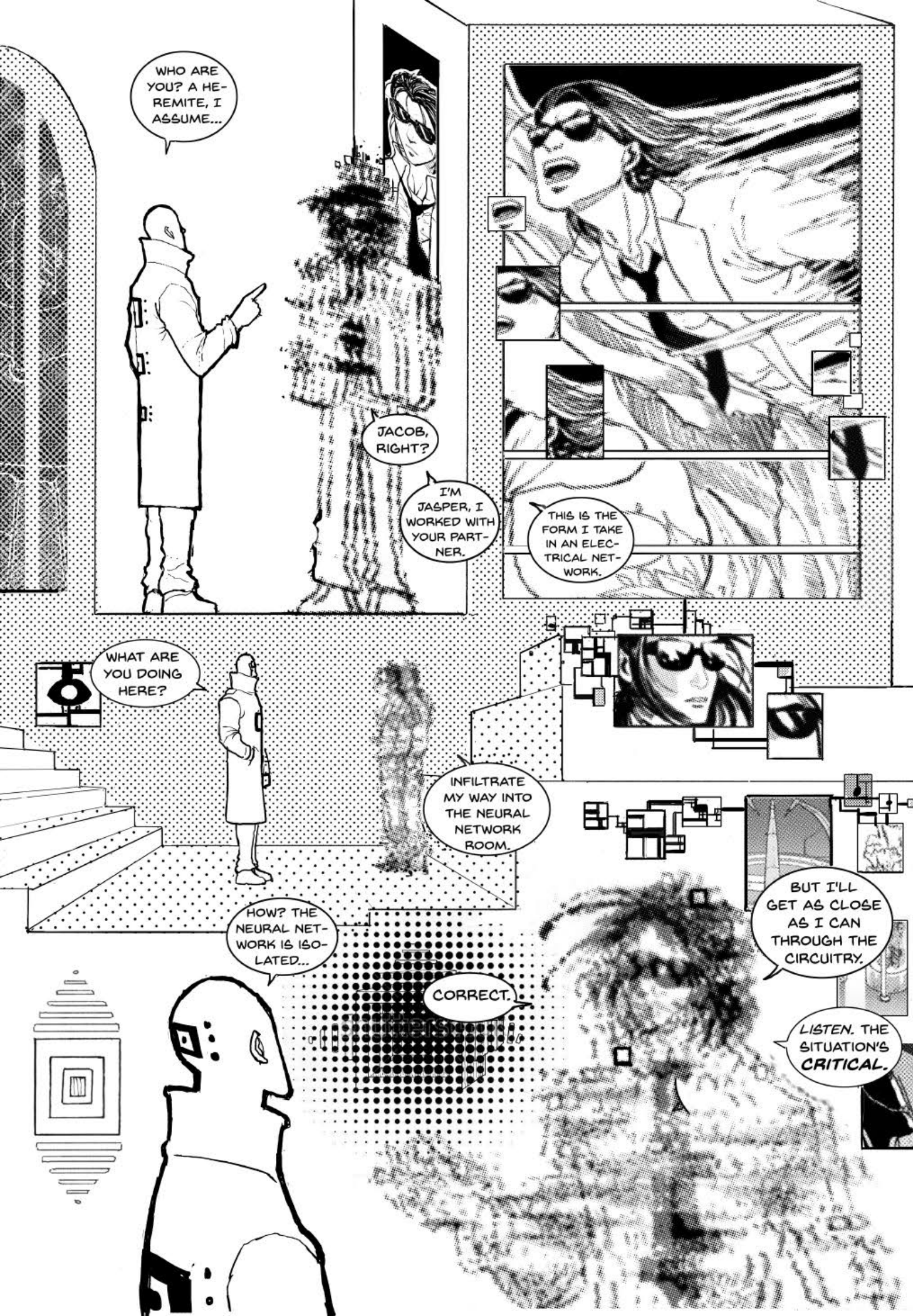
WE'LL SEE IF YOU
FEEL THE SAME WAY
WHEN ADAM ATTACKS THE
NEURAL NETWORK. HIS
HAND AFFECTS THE CELL
TOWERS, IT WORRIED YOU
ENOUGH YOU SENT A
TELEPATH TO INVESTI-
GATE...

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

HUH?
ANOTHER IN-
TRUDER?

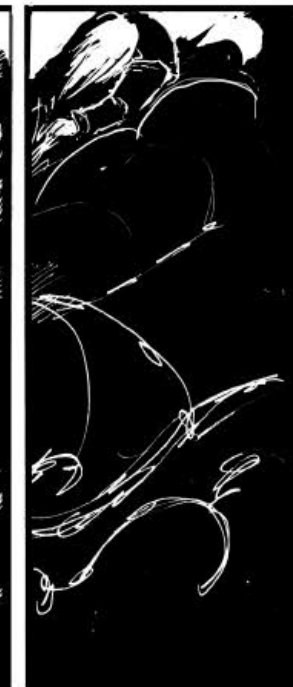
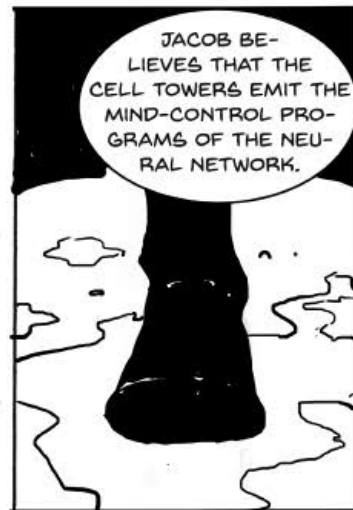
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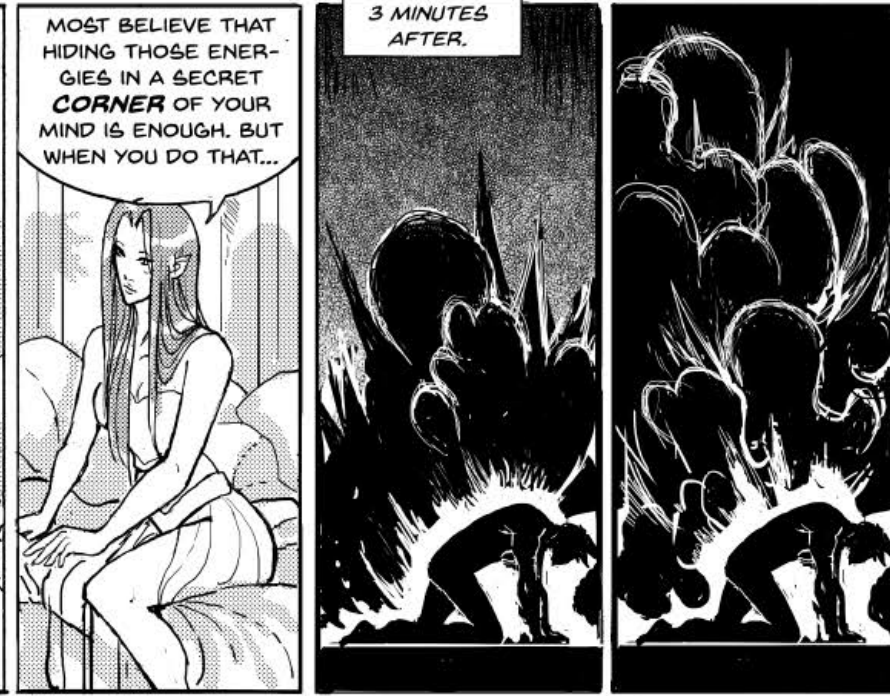
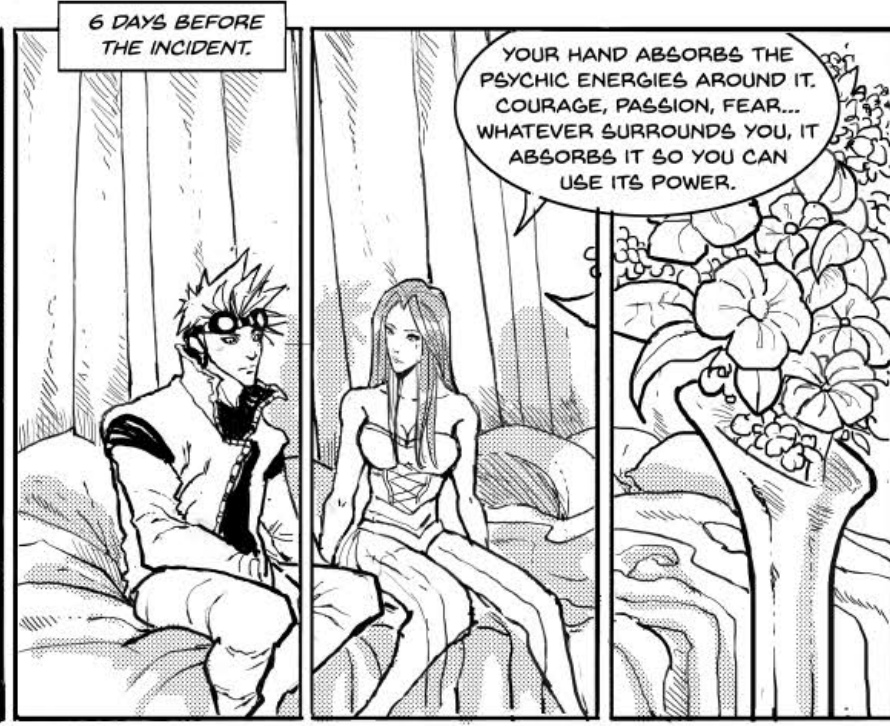
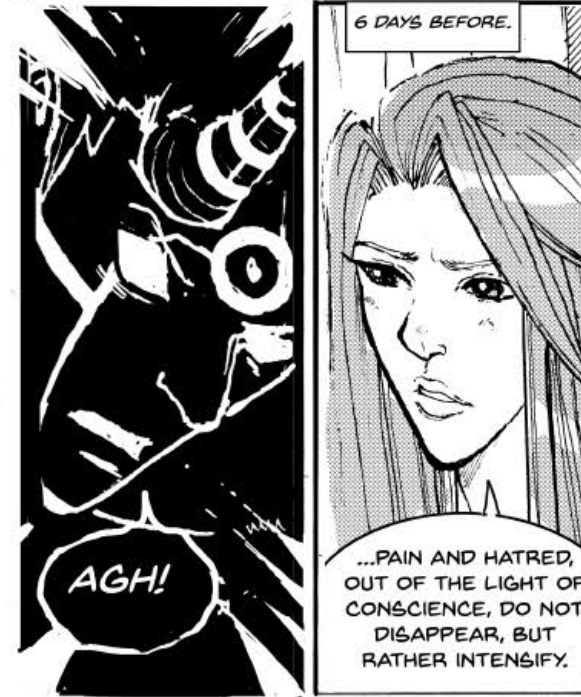
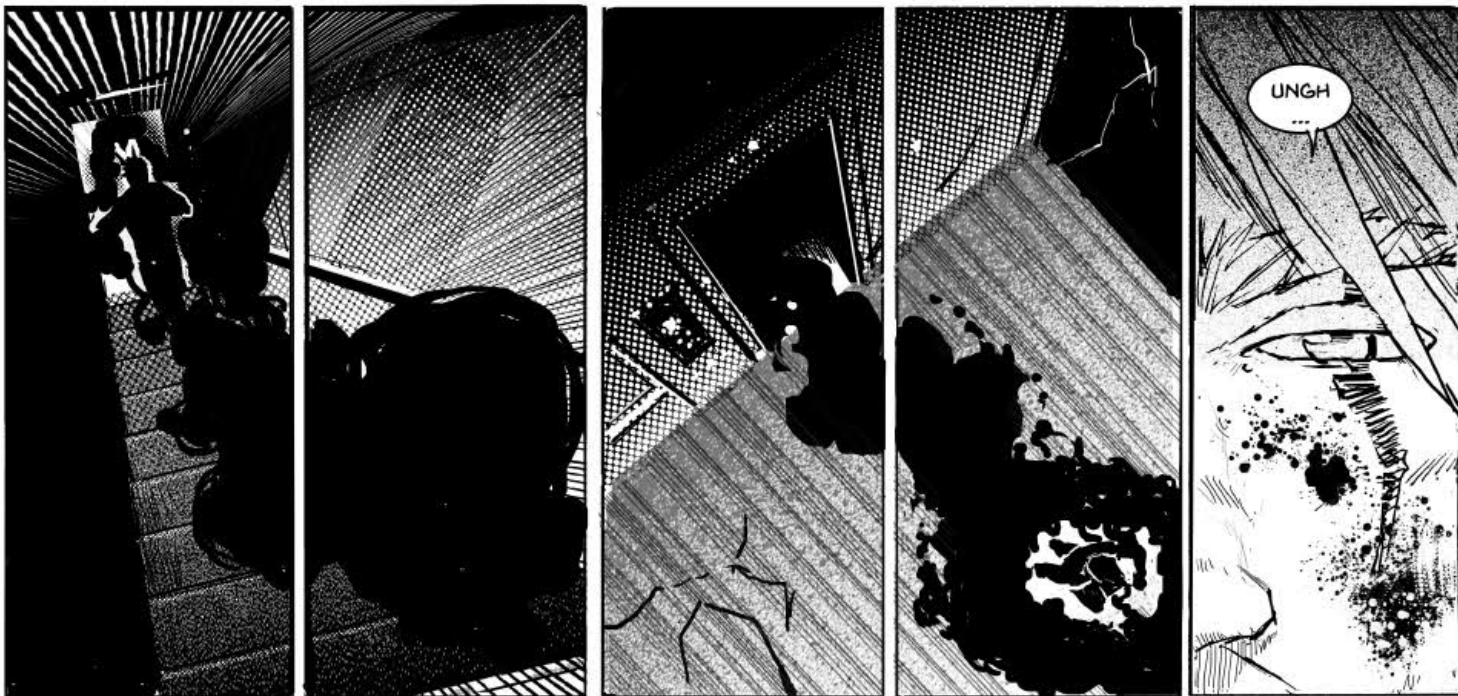
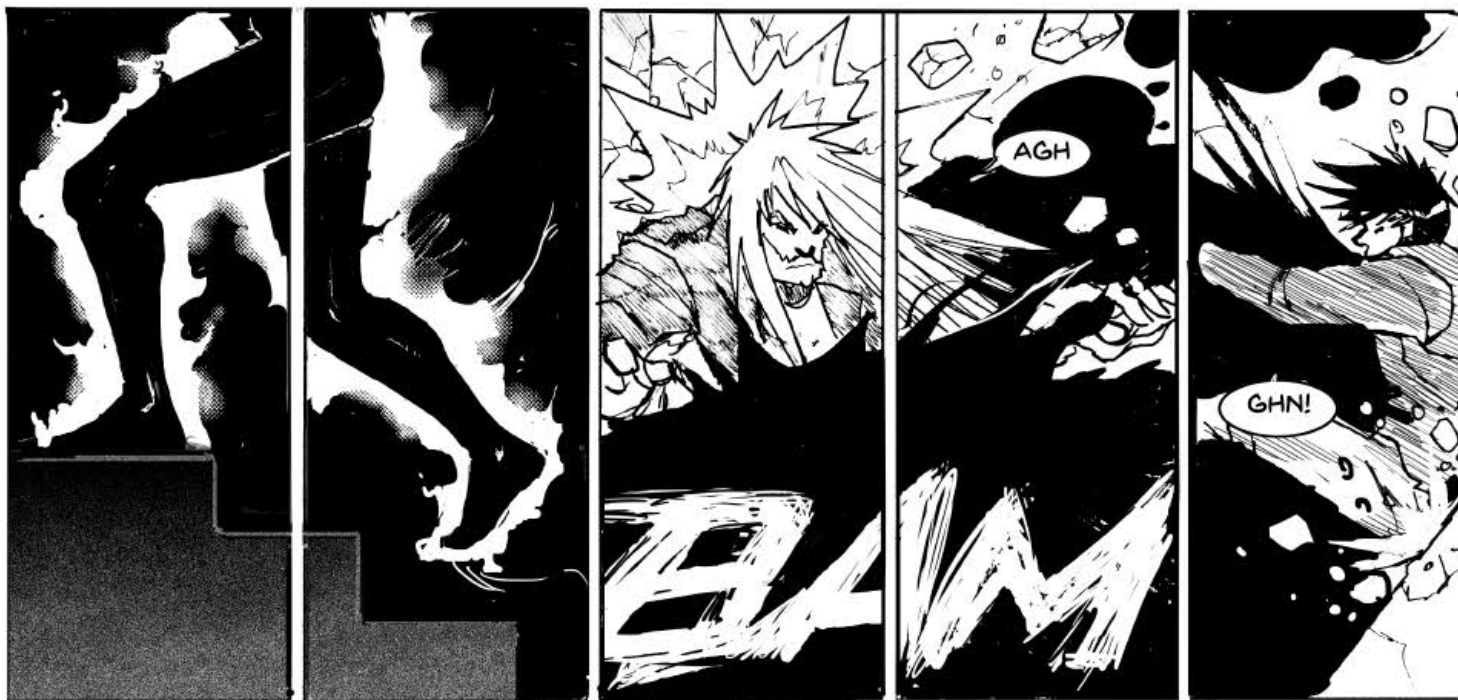
AND NOW... TIME TO WAIT
FOR ESSEX TO GIVE ME
ACCESS TO THE NEU-
RAL NETWORK. WHAT
ABOUT THIS, FREI?



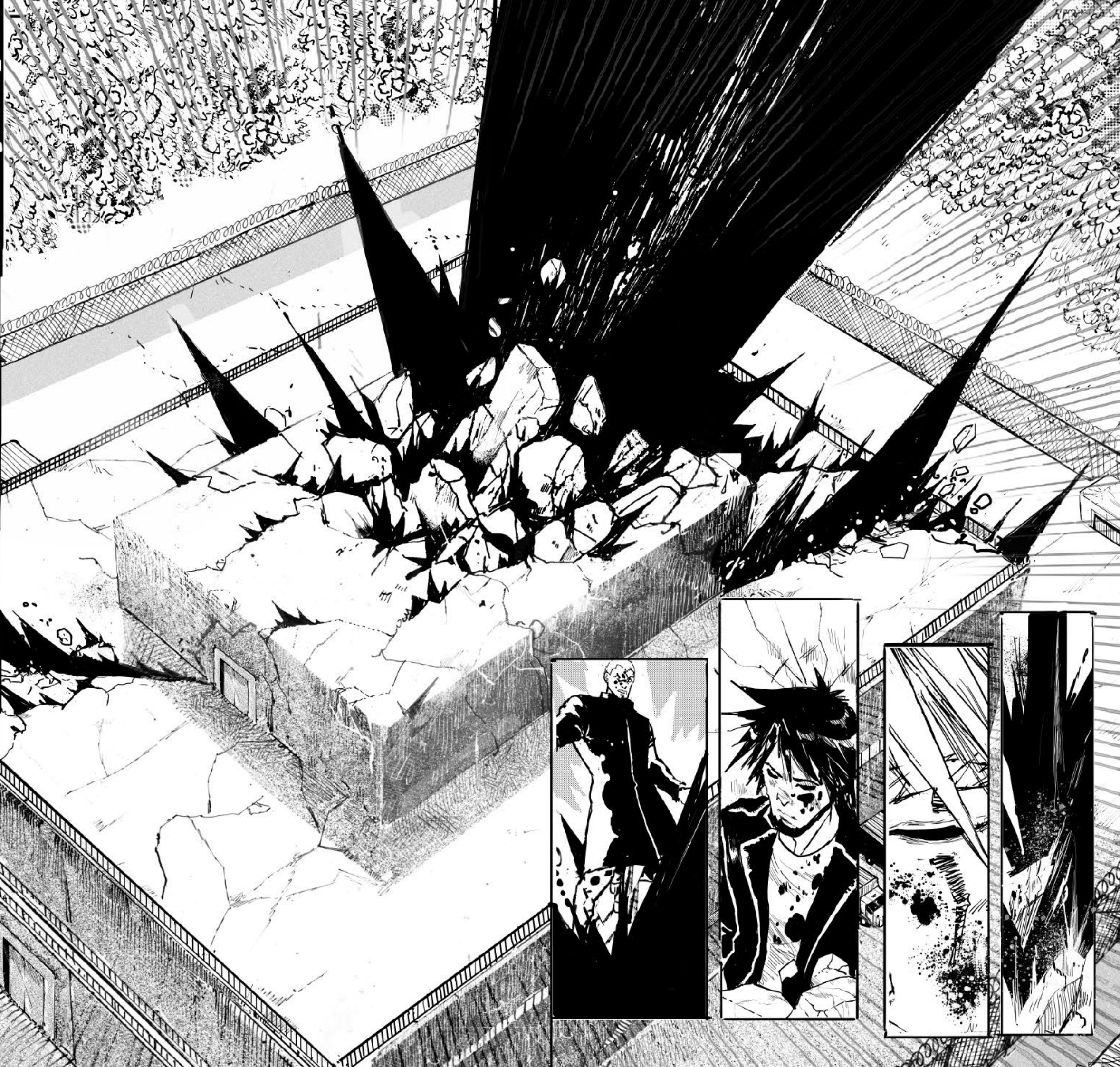
THE INCIDENT.







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



5 MINUTES AFTER.



NOW!



AGH!



10 MIN. AFTER.



11 MIN. AFTER.



KEEP YOUR PSYCHE STRONG NEAR THE MISTS!



THEY CAN... HH!

6 DAYS BEFORE.



YES.

YOU'RE IN THE SAME PREDICAMENT AS US.

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



...YOU ARE THE ONE WHO ENDS UP EXPERIENCING THE SYMPTOMS.

6 DAYS BEFORE.



BUT... THEN...

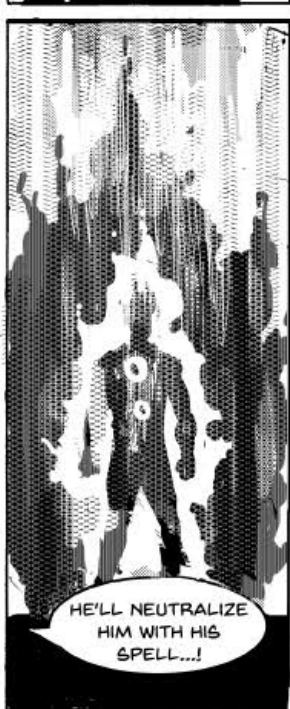
SO... ACCORDING TO YOU...

7 MIN. AFTER.



KEEP THE SHIELD UP!

HOLD ON UNTIL ADRIAN COMES!



HE'LL NEUTRALIZE HIM WITH HIS SPELL...!

WHERE'S FREI?!

HOLD ON!



THE INCIDENT.



HE'S THE ENEMY, ADAM, NOT ME! YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO STILL REMEMBER WHO I AM!

14 MIN. LATER.



FREI, WHERE.

6 DAYS BEFORE.



BUT IF... THIS POISON... EVERY TIME MY HAND...

IS THIS WHAT CAUSES ME TO LOSE CONSCIOUSNESS? BUT... THEN...

THE INCIDENT.



FREI, ADAM!

16 MIN. AFTER.



8 MIN. AFTER.



SO... EVEN IF I'M NOT AWARE, I SENSE THE SHIT FROM OTHERS, RIGHT?



WHA... ?

AGAIN? NO!



6 DAYS BEFORE.



WHAT SHOULD I DO TO NOT LOSE CONTROL OF MYSELF?

18 MIN. AFTER.

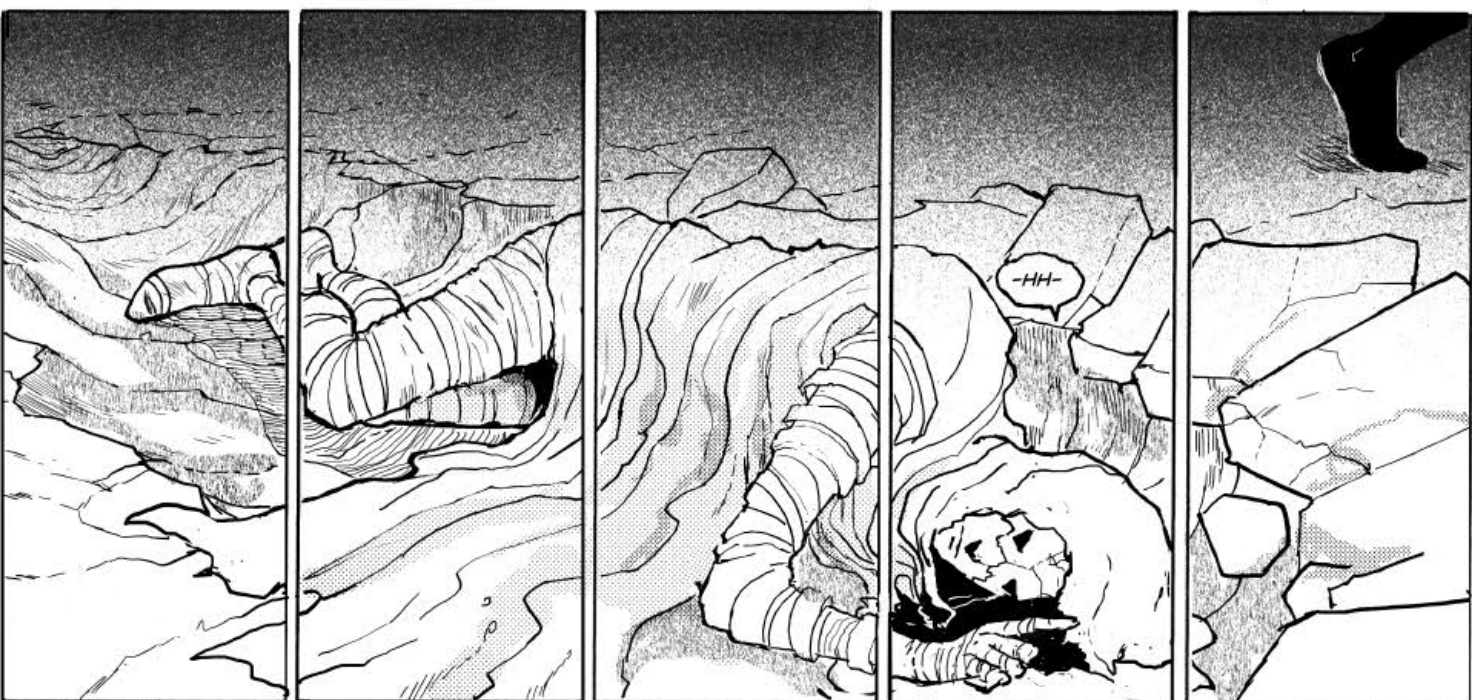
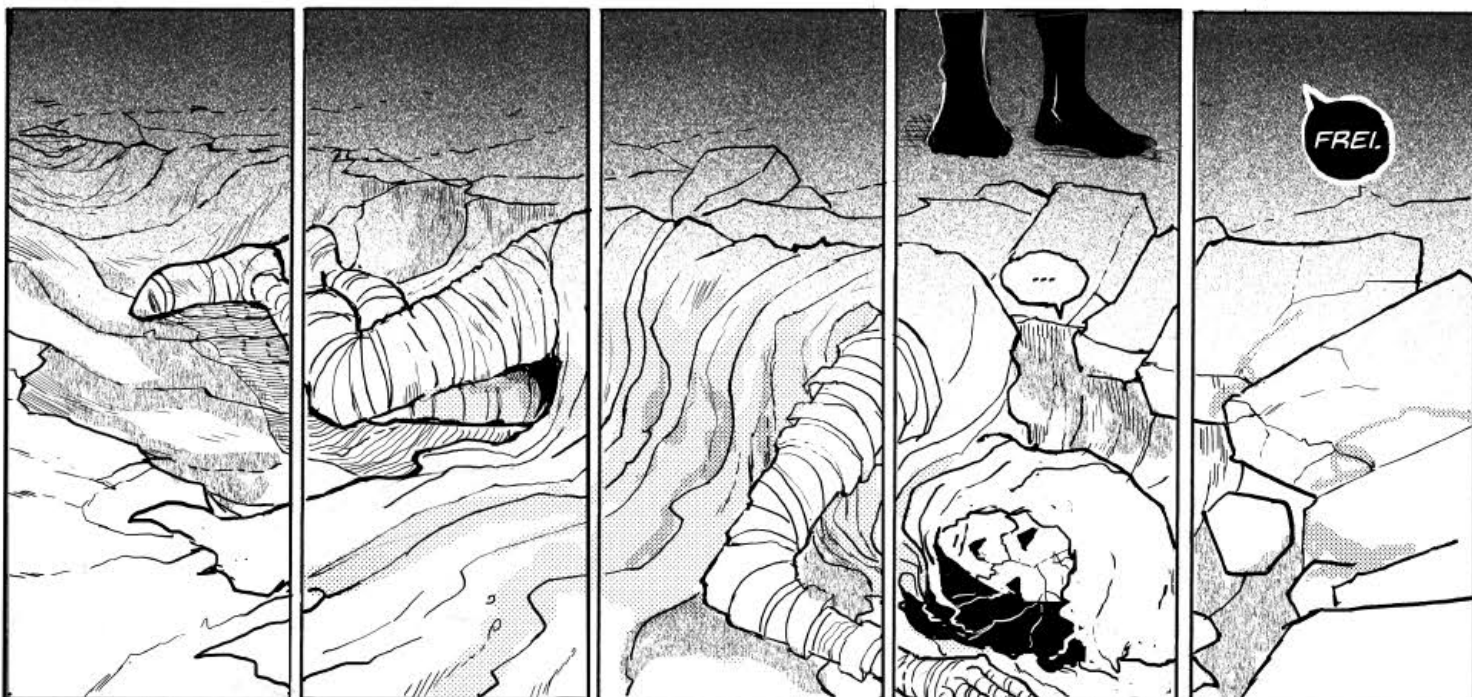
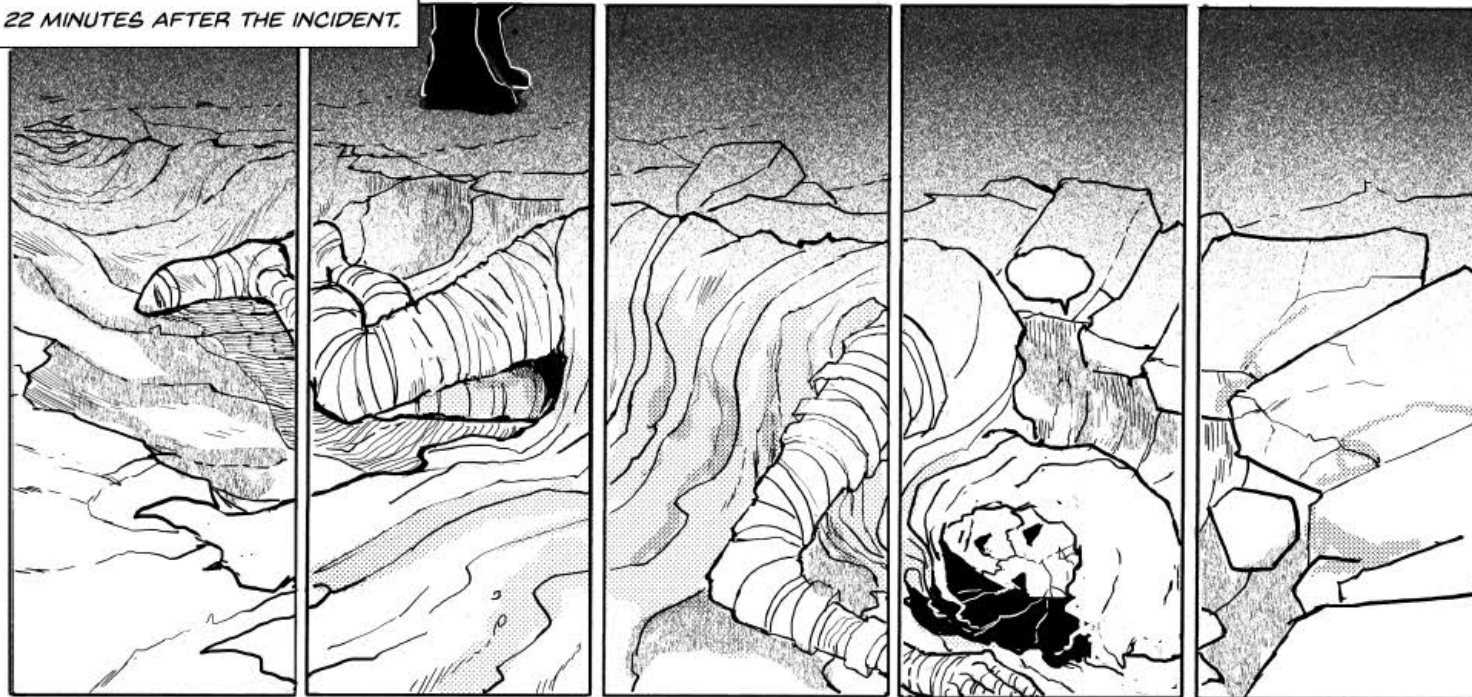


HH

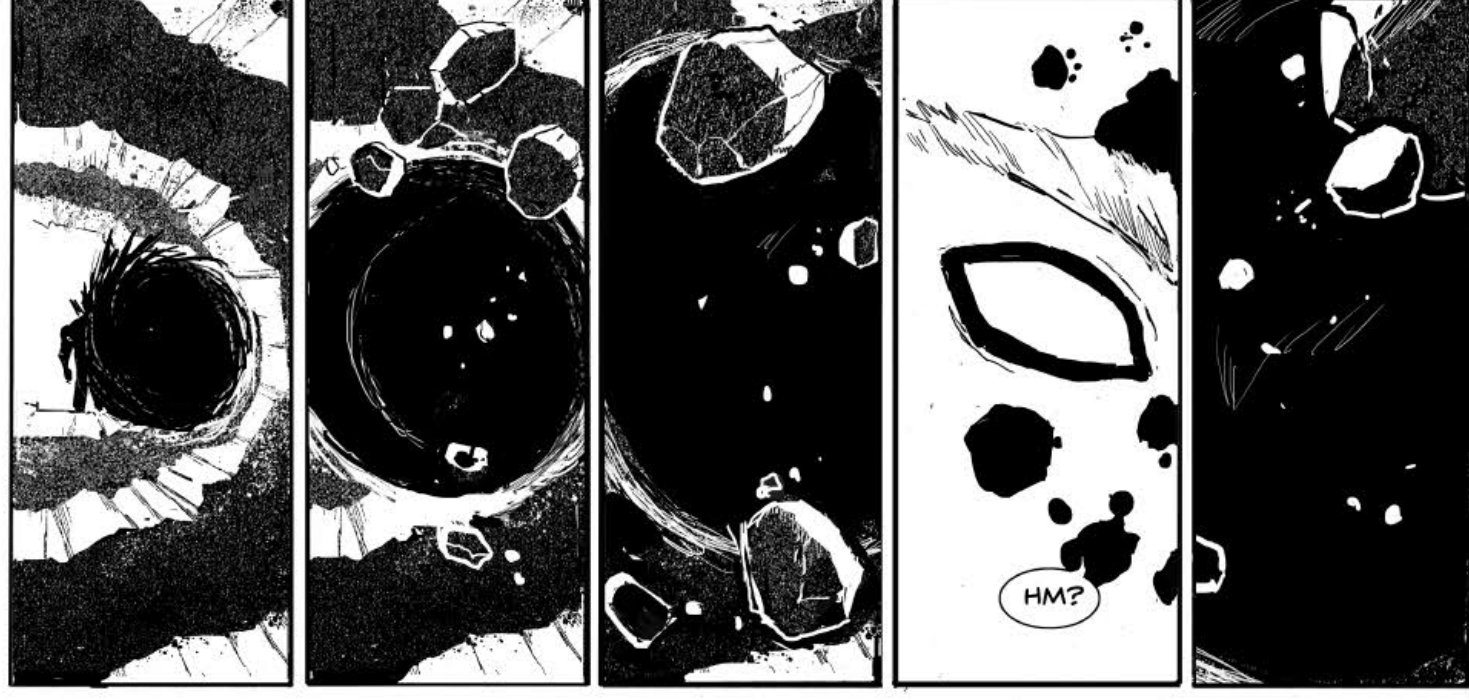
6 DAYS BEFORE.



22 MINUTES AFTER THE INCIDENT.



24 MINUTES AFTER
THE INCIDENT.





...TO BE CONTINUED

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