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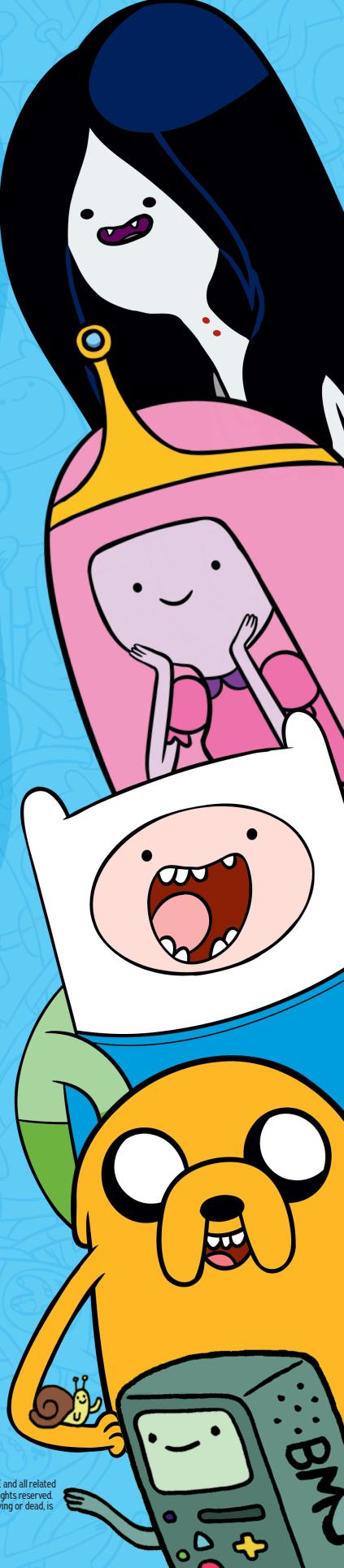
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BANG! BANG! BANG!

WOW! THE BANGING IS GETTING WAY LOUDER!

YES!

SO YOU WANNA TELL ME HOW YOU KNEW WHAT THIS GUM'S GONNA DO? AND ALSO, ITS GENDER?

NO!

DUDE WE'RE TRAPPED HERE FOREVER. YOU MIGHT AS WELL FILL THE TIME!

OKAY, FINE. WHATEVER!

BANG! BANG! BANG!

BUT I WARN YOU, THIS STORY STARTS WITH A...

BANG!

HAH HAH, THAT WAS SUPER WELL-TIMED!

OKAY, WELL-- THIS STORY STARTS SEVERAL YEARS AGO, WITH A LITTLE OBSESSION / FIELD OF STUDY CALLED--

PLEASE SAY ROCK MUSIC PLEASE SAY ROCK MUSIC

--SCIENCE.

YOU KNOW, IF YOU PUT HALF AS MUCH EFFORT INTO YOUR MUSIC AS YOU DID INTO BREAKING ALL THE LAWS OF GLOB AND MAN, WE'D BE LISTENING TO SOME INSANELY FRESH BEATS RIGHT NOW INSTEAD.

MAN, I KNOW IT!



Oh my gosh I just realized if Princess Bubblegum started a jam band she could call it "PB + Jam". Like the sandwich. LIKE THE SANDWICH!



I don't know how you start your day but so far this is so pretty much 100% accurate for me.



Alternate last line: "Ha ha! DNA Injection Manifolds!!"

A cartoon character with a pink face, a yellow crown, and a large open mouth is shown. A speech bubble next to the character contains the text 'AND THAT COMPLETE'.

I miss
my old
body.

I hear
that,
yo.

IT'S TOO
STICKY

SO AFTER I SUCKED IT ALL OUT AGAIN I FIGURED I'D HAVE TO TAKE A DIFFERENT APPROACH.

Sorry everyone! That didn't rule as much as I expected!

Okay bye!

But I'm not sure I'm back to normal!

I'm tired from all this science! Phew! Mortal bodies, am I right?

I WASN'T TIRED! I WAS EXCITED! A FAILED EXPERIMENT MEANS YOU GET TO DO MORE EXPERIMENTS, YO!

Wait, I mean, I'm excited to do more science! Whatever! I'll get tired later probably!

I REALIZED WHAT MY MISTAKE WAS.

Ah, of course! My mistake was not getting my amazing friend Marceline to help me out!

She's so great and awesome. I--

I kinda want to BE her??

NO, MARCELINE. MY MISTAKE WAS INVOLVING OTHER PEOPLE! I REALIZED I'D HAVE TO GO IT ALONE.

Yes, on second thought maybe I'll go alone! And then I won't ever tell Marceline about this until years from now when we're locked in some Science Prison, even though we're SUPPOSED to be FRIENDS!

MARCELINE!

FRIENDS SHARE SECRETS, YO!

I'M TELLING YOU
MY SECRET NOW!

You're right, okay, I'm sorry. Thank you for sharing this with me, and I'm glad I can help. What happened next?

I SCIENCED REALLY HARD FOR A FEW HOURS, AND THEN PRETTY SOON IT WAS BEDTIME.

Ha ha, "bedtime." Dude, I play in a cool band and Rule #1 of playing in a cool band is that bedtimes are flexible!

MARCELINE, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE ME.

Um, I mean, "Dude, my friend MARCELINE plays in a cool band, and she tells me that Rule #1 of playing in a cool band is that bedtimes are flexible!"

GOOD. ACTUALLY, YEAH, THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT I SAID.

BEFORE LONG IT WAS A QUIET NIGHT IN THE CANDY KINGDOM AND WE WERE BACK AT WHERE THE STORY FIRST STARTED!

At least now I understand my motivations and what I'm doing here!

AGAIN, INCREDIBLY, THAT IS THE GIST OF WHAT I SAID NEXT TOO.

AND A NIGHT'S WORK HAD PAID OFF. I'D CREATED A CHILD FROM MY OWN DNA. ALL THAT WAS LEFT WAS THE FINISHING TOUCH: ONE CANDY HEART...

Oh man this is gross

...AND MY EXPERIMENT WOULD BE COMPLETED.

Gross nasty gross gross

GROOOOOSSSSSSSS

You have to imagine how soft and sticky and slightly-warm and sweaty the gum is. OH NO I JUST DID, OH NO IT'S SO GROSS





Take another step closer and you're gonna wish I'd been distracted and, during that distraction, not noticed you taking that step closer.



Several of those are legitimate rays! At least one of those is a legitimate ray!

Okay, Experiment One initiated.
OBSERVATION: everyone is bonked. QUESTION: why are they bonked? HYPOTHESIS: maybe this machine can show us why they're bonked?!





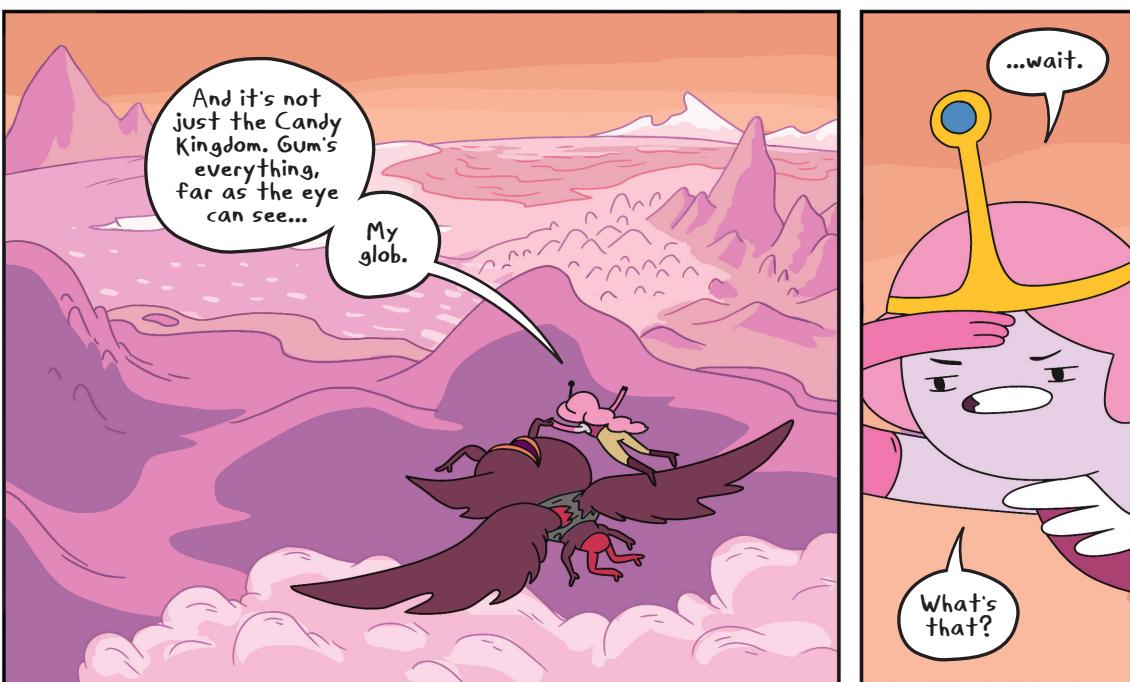
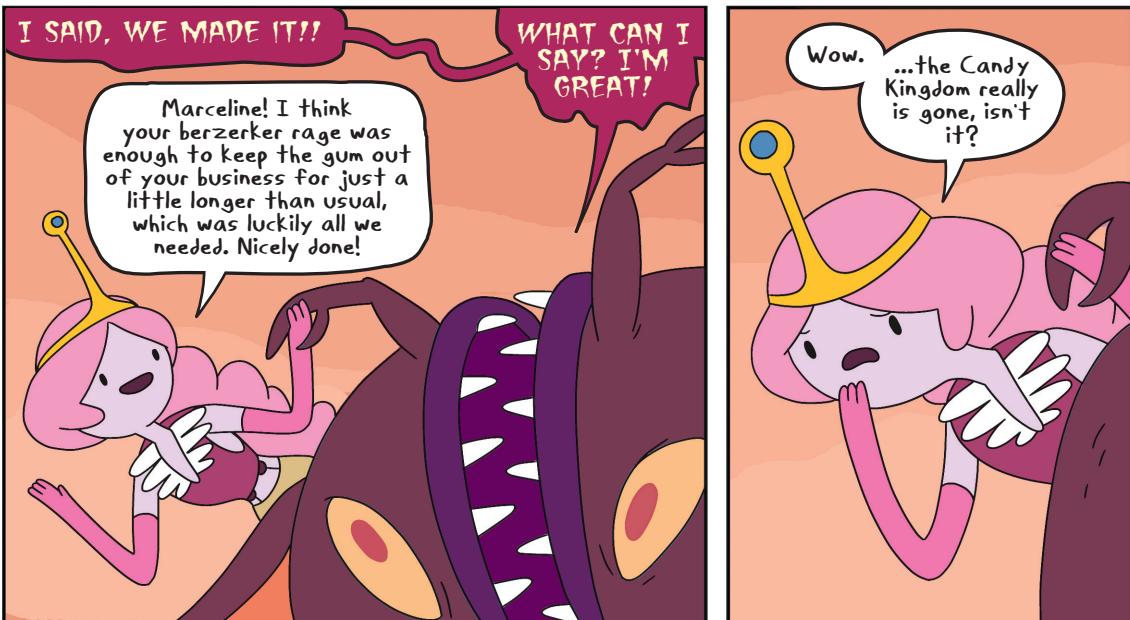
The first step is admitting that you don't know nothin' 'bout brain surgery. I think next step is to not do brain surgery after all?



THE END.



Oh ha ha I guess the last page isn't how this story ends after all. Neat!





Continued next month!

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CAKE, ARE YOU
SURE THE CONCERT'S
IN HERE?

YEAH, I'M GETTING
CRAZY-EVIL VIBES
FROM THIS FOREST.

NOT EVIL!
"CREEPY." SAYS SO
ON THE FLYER.
"NO CARES OR DUTIES,
COME FOR WILD
SONGS AND
BOOTIES!"

GEE, I WONDER
WHICH ONE YOU'RE
EXCITED ABOUT?

I'VE NEVER
MADE SECRET MY
APPRECIATION FOR
THE SUPERIOR
POSTERIOR.

RIGHT, BABY?

:::SNORT:::

IT SOUNDS
ANNOYING.

IS THAT MUSIC?

UGH, POP MUSIC.

MORE LIKE
POOP MUSIC,
HEHEH...HEH.

WOW.

UH... GUYS?





OOOOOH!
COME ON, HONEY!
WE GOTTA GET IN
ON THIS ACTION!

... - - - - -





ALL THOSE "I LOVE YOUS"
I WISH I'D SAID
RED LIKE MY HEART,
RED LIKE A ROSE - ↪
RED LIKE THE CURTAINS
WAITING TO CLOSE - ↪ ↪



OH HEY, YOU
KNOW THE SONG?!

OHHHH.
UH-OH...



RED LIKE THIS WOUND ↪
THAT KEEPS BLEEDING

DESPITE ALL OF MY
DEMON HEALING -

IT'S NOT JUST SONG,
IT'S EMOTION! A
SONG WITH EMOTION
IS THE KEY TO THE SPELL!



DO YOU HAVE
ANY BUG MILK?

HUH?

THAT'S WHY I'M OKAY!
BUTTS ARE NICE BUT
FEELINGS MAKE ME
SUPER UNCOMFORTABLE!

TELL ME MOM, ↪
WHY'D YOU TAKE
MY CHUCKS -

→ WORE THEM WITH
YOUR MOM FEET
UNTIL THEY WERE
BITTER HUSKS -

YOU TOOK MY RED, ↪
STRETCHED IT OUTTA SHAPE
UNTIL ALL THAT'S LEFT ↪
IN MY HEART WAS HATE!

TELL ME ↪
WHYYYYYYYY -





end.