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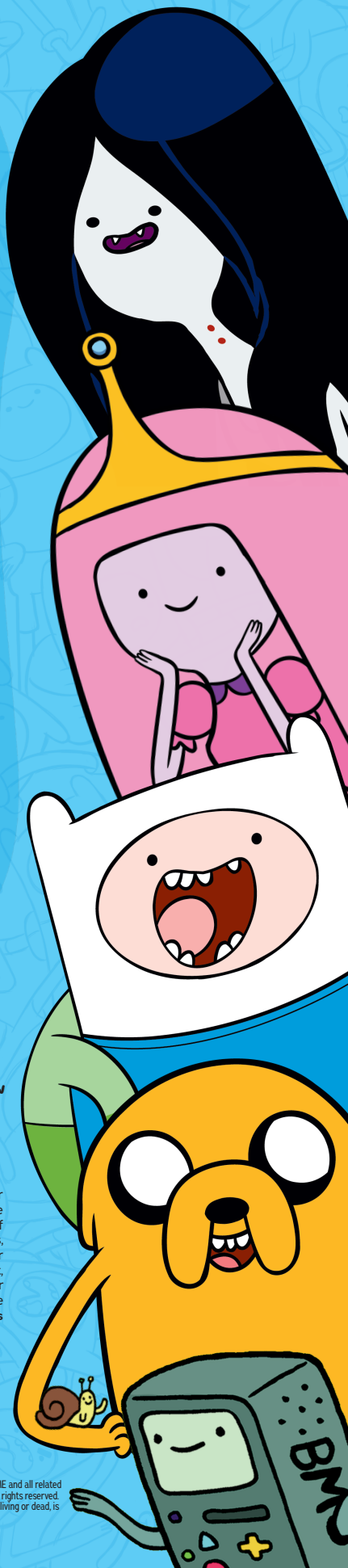
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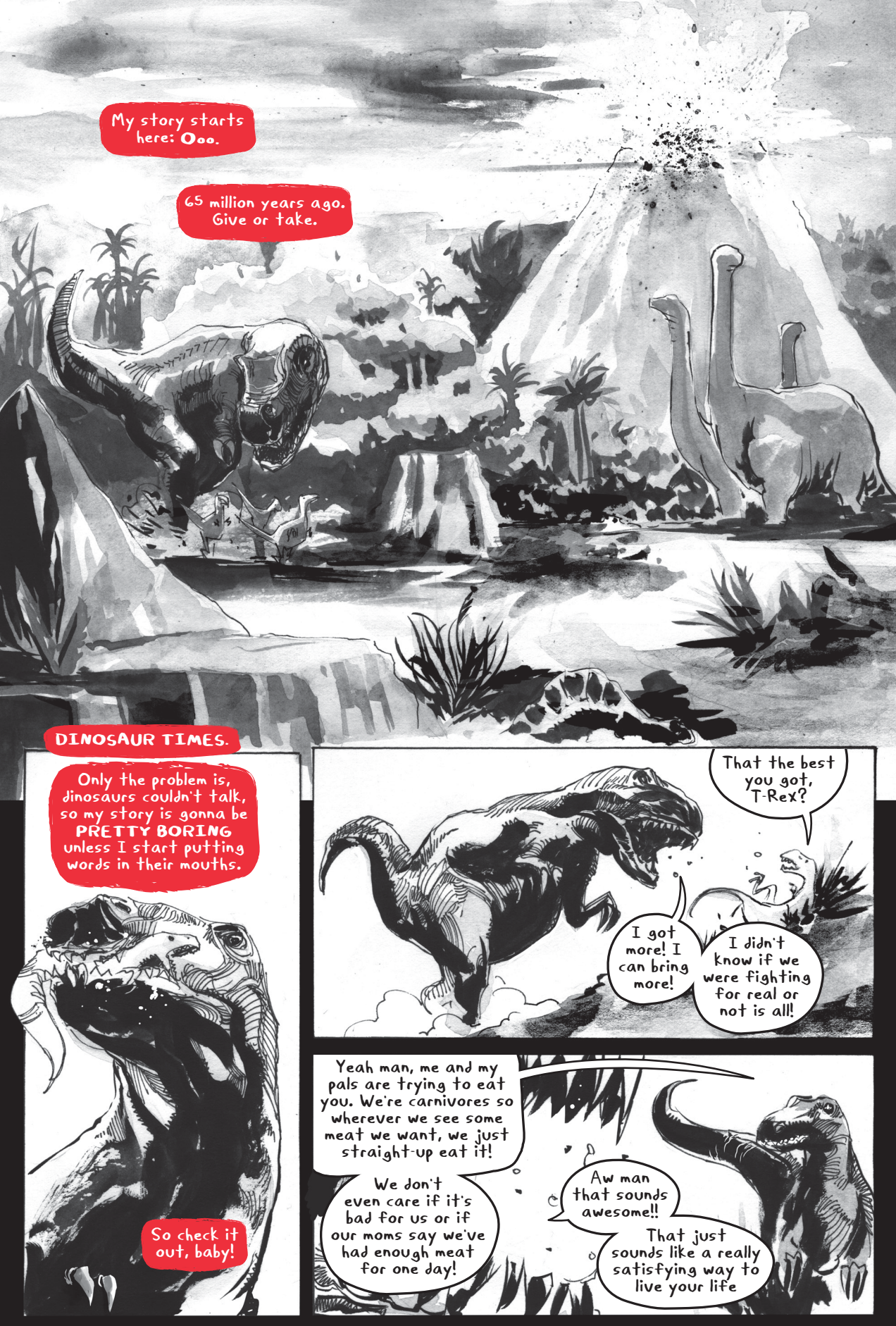
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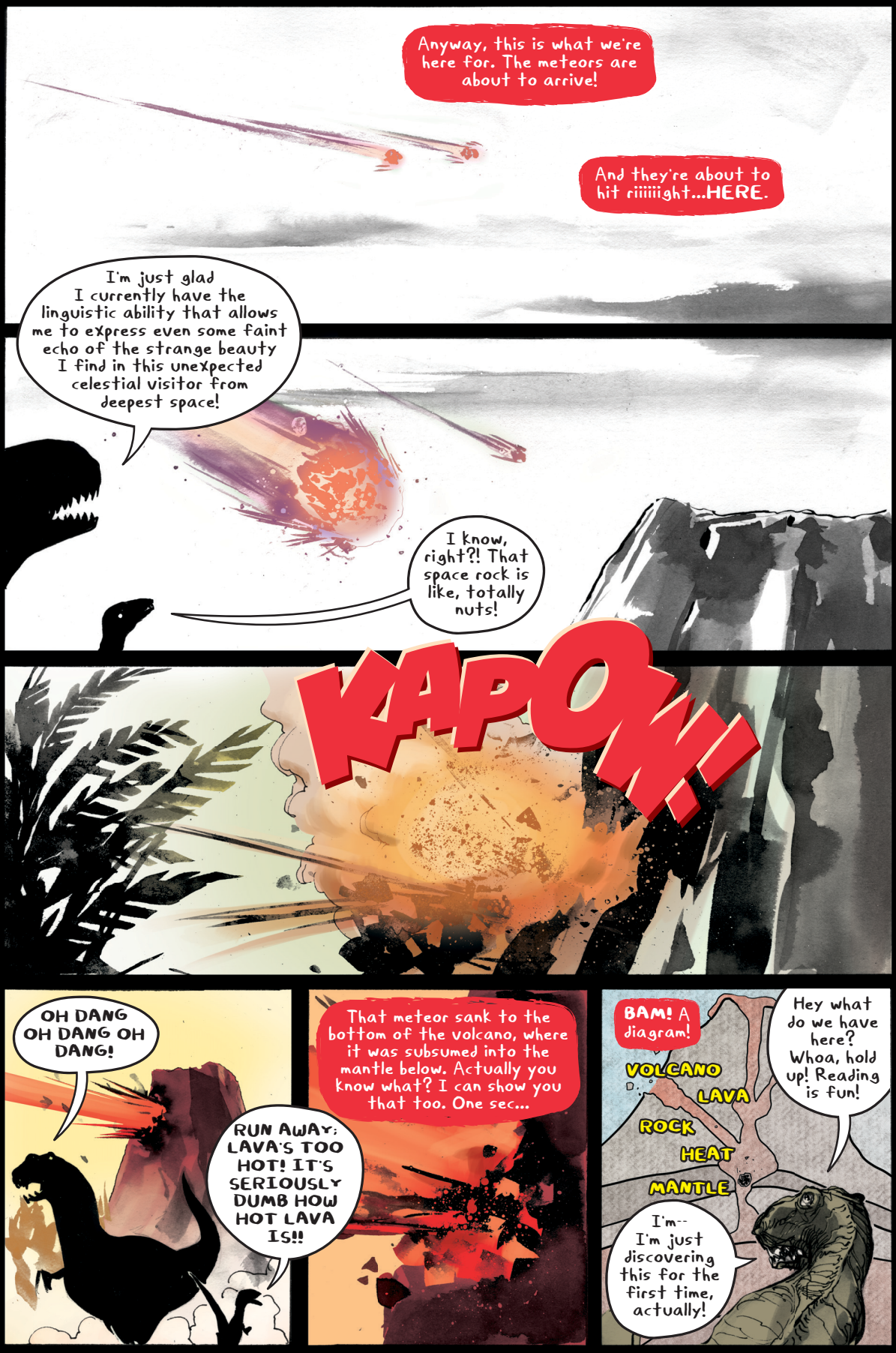
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Moms: what do they know? A lot? Oh, okay, nevermind then I guess



Sorry for making everyone aware of all that saliva that's floating around inside your mouth RIGHT NOW :(



But you, you knew all along! You are officially smarter than a fictional dinosaur. Hooray!!


As you can see, there's a lot of heat and pressure beneath a volcano. Heat and pressure is how you make certain gemstones.
Interesting, interesting...
Well, I don't got use for knowledge of rocks. Peace out y'all! I'm gonna go try to eat some dudes!!
And once the magma cooled, it was only a matter of time until...
There I am! It's me, CARL THE GEM, the cool cat who's been chatting you up! I'm the gem, yo!
PING!
My friend was supposed to land beside me, but something went wrong. I found out later that she landed in another volcano and became a gem too, a blue one. Goes by "GEMMA GEMMERSON", which, you know--whatever. But for now, we were separated! It was actually really sad!
And we'd stay separated for millions of years. It turns out it takes a really long time for tectonic movement to bring rocks to the surface! Sheesh!
I'm back! I forgot my hat!
What? You never had a hat!
Look I'm sorry to disagree...
...but HATS not how I remember it.
This is ridiculous.
Listen, never give voices to dinosaurs.
Anyway, by the time I got dug up everyone had figured out how to talk, so I don't need to do voices anymore. But I'm glad I got to say hi here, before we meet the first friend I ever made and we get too far into...
I am enjoying these...these Dinosaur Comics.
HOPEFULLY YOU ARE AS WELL??

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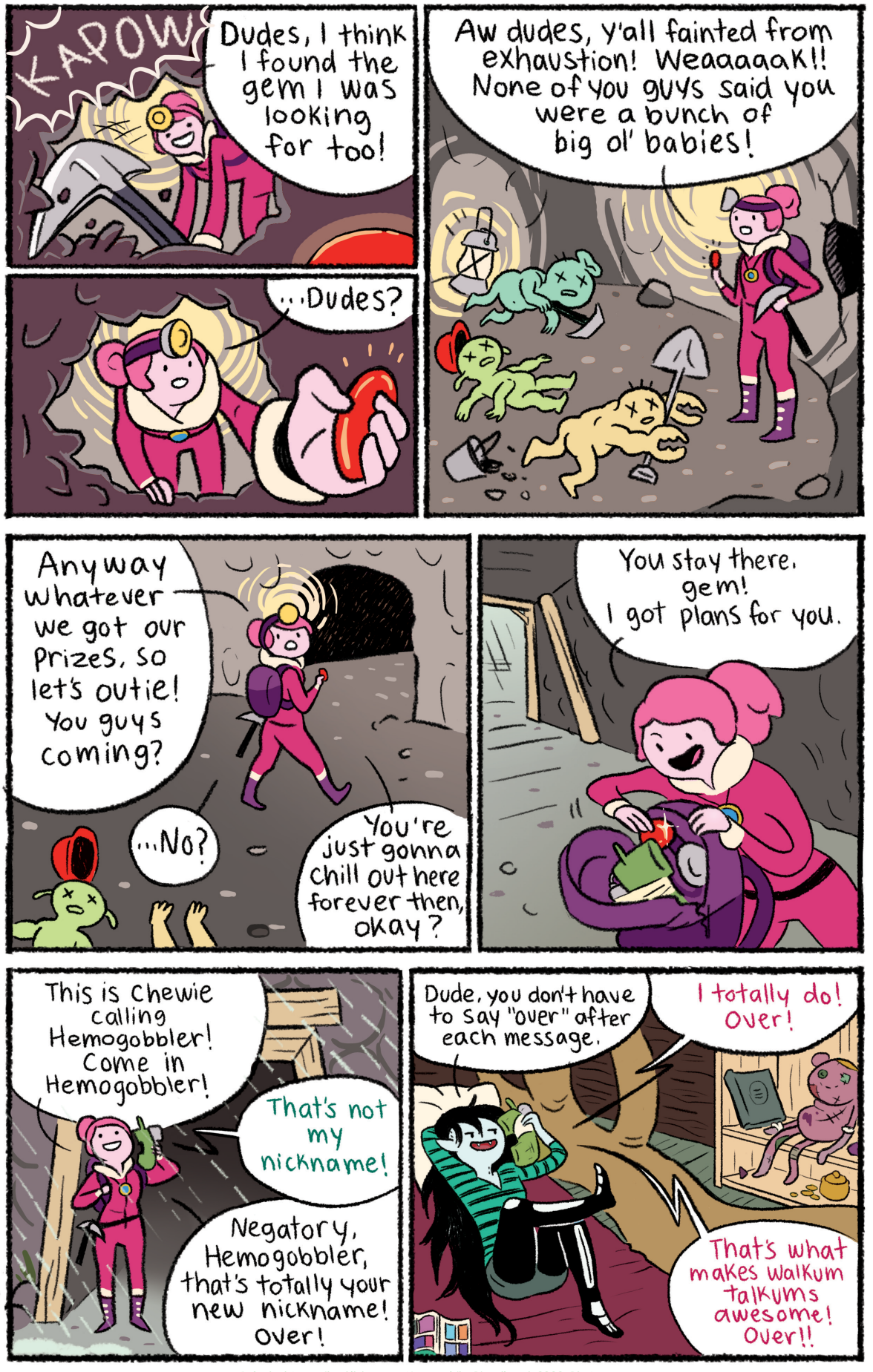
CARL THE GEM

A LOVE STORY

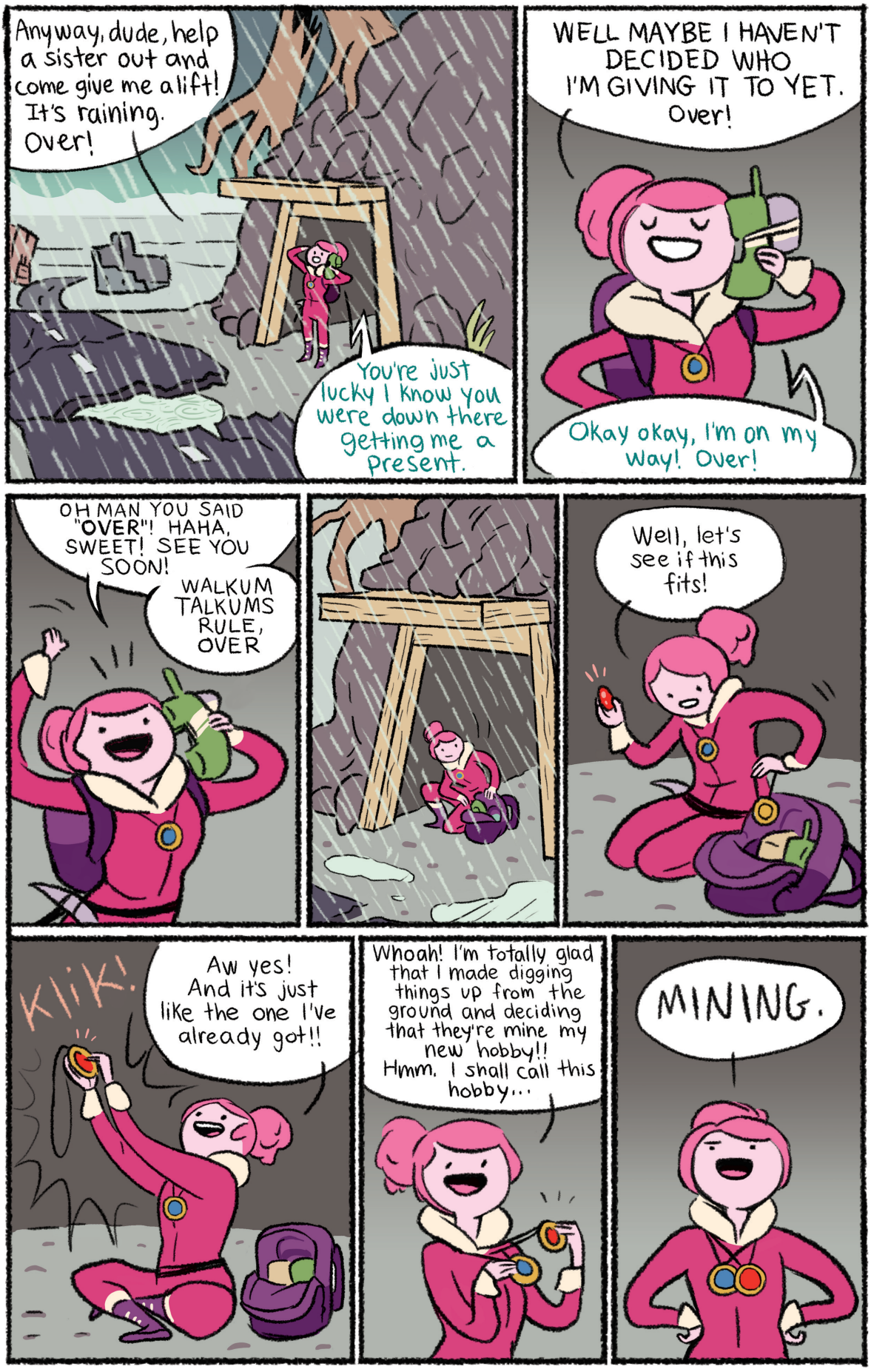
THAT ALSO FEATURES RAD FIGHT SCENES TOO

OBVIOUSLY IT WOULD DO THAT





Rejected Marceline Nicknames: Hemogoblin, Bloodbeast 2000, Big Mauve



Excuse me but it's called "mining," not "YOURING"



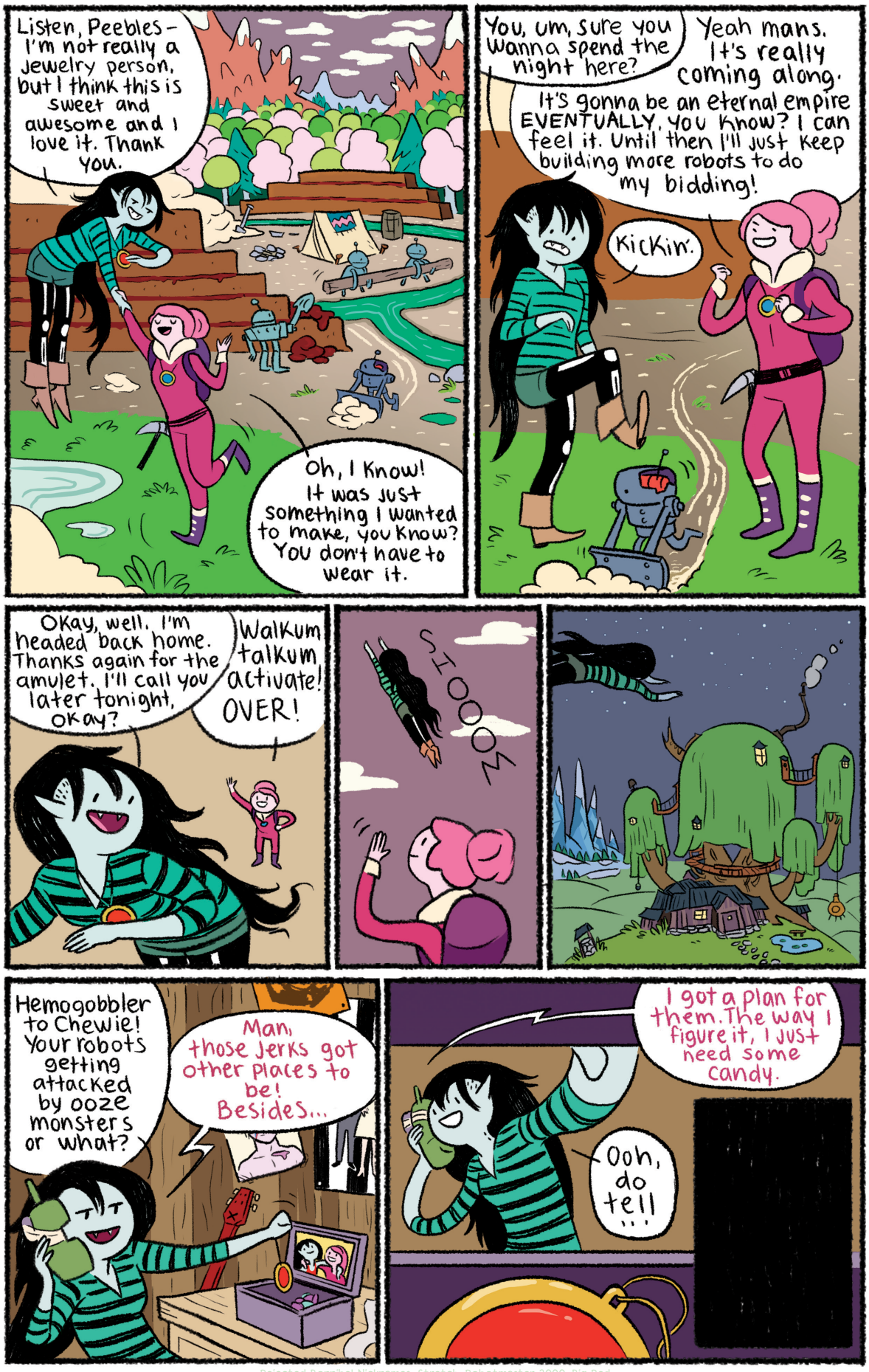
Sim Mass Spectrometer is the blockbuster sequel to Sim Dumas Method of Molecular Weight Determination



OBVIOUSLY you need a cheat code if you want the buns to punch themselves, that's just basic video game stuff!



Look upon our rad skeletons, ye mighty, and be kinda impressed at how rad they are



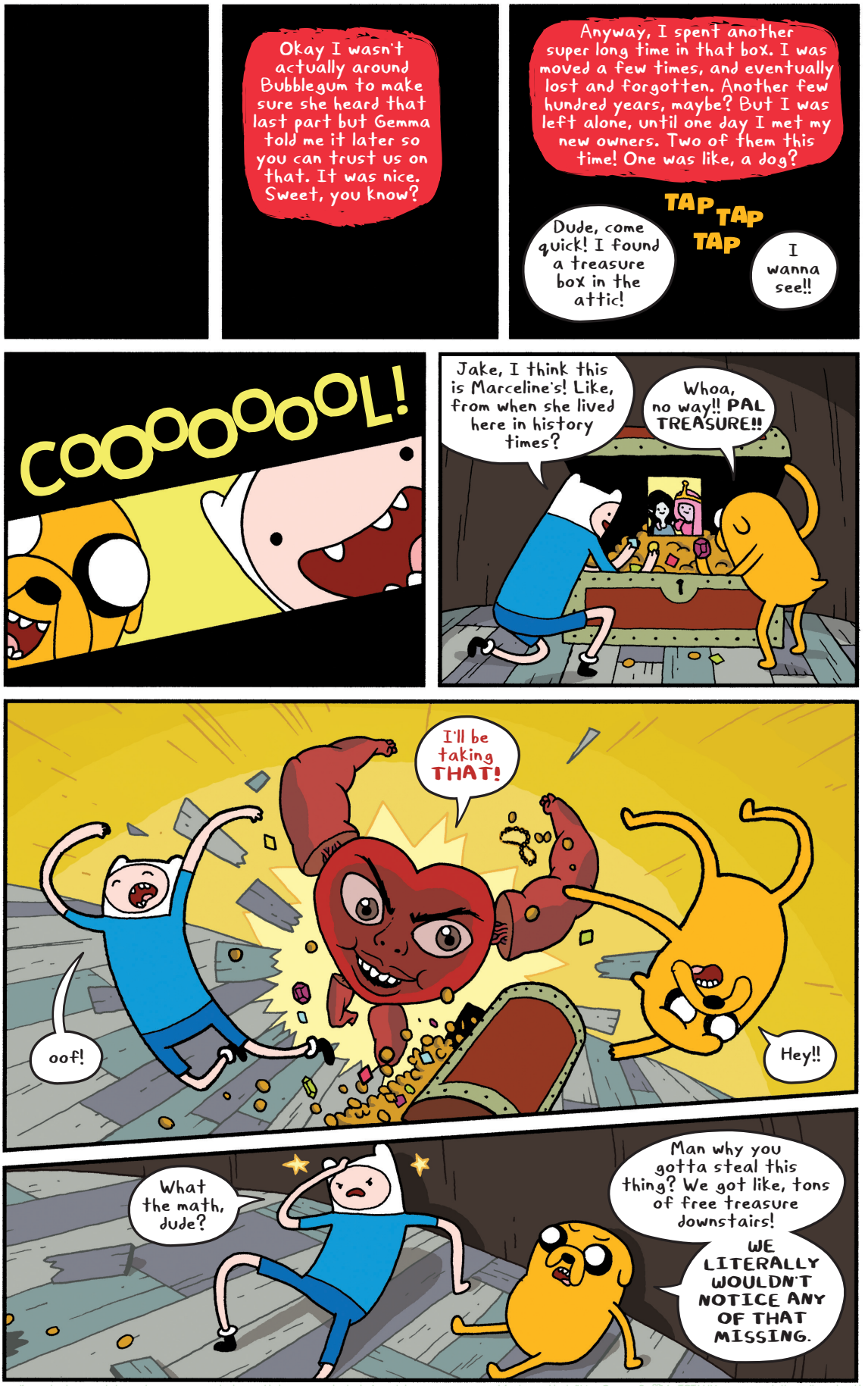
Rejected Bonnibel Nicknames: Stretch, Robotmaster 3000, Big Red


So, you saw that, right? Me and Gemma were reunited! It was only briefly, but still! At least now I knew she was okay, and she knew I was too. That was awesome!
My new owner, Marceline - we didn't really hang out much. I spent a lot of time in that chest. It's hard to tell how long.
I guess mainly because there weren't any clocks in there.
It felt like maybe a couple hundred years? I guess?
But eventually, she came for me again...
SMASH! SMACK!
ARGH!
I hate her I hate her seriously I hate her!

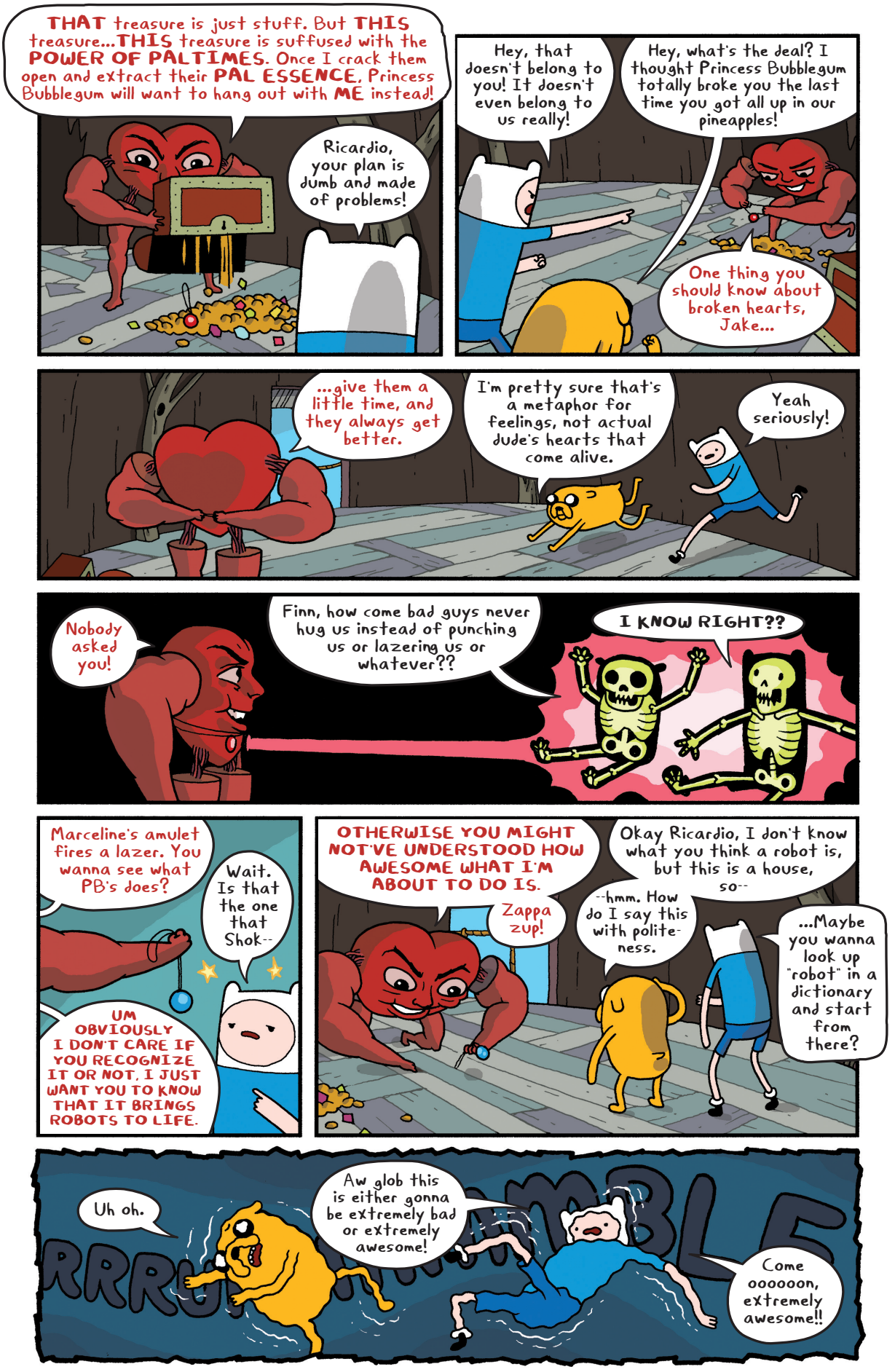

"Ooooh, I made my own kingdom, so I'm gonna call myself princess now that I'm way too busy to show up to YOUR things, Marceline!"
MARCELINE AND MEAN
Gah!
Who does she think she is??
"Oh, I'm sorry Marceline, I didn't mean to miss your first big gig, it's just I've made myself a stupid boyfriend I call 'Mr. Cream Puff' because that's a real name adults call each other and now I'm gonna hang out with him 24/7!"
"Oh, and your friendship isn't important to me since I'll just make new friends out of CANDY when I glob things up with everyone! And everyone always forgives me because I'm PRINCESS Bubblegum now!"
KRAKT!
...dang it.

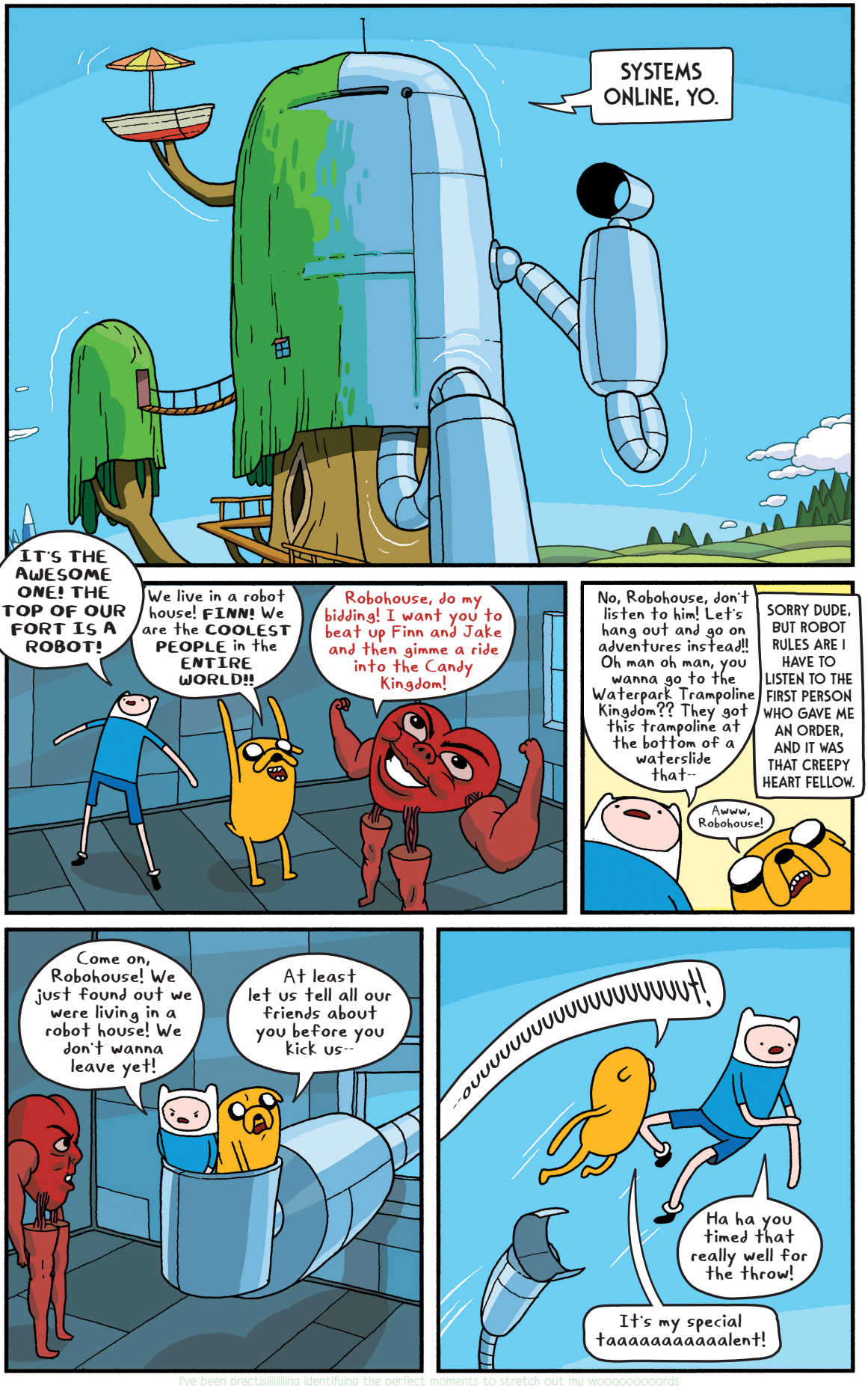

Wow. I forgot that was still here.
Marceline to Bubblegum. Come in Bubblegum. You there?
...No?
Well, good. Cause I got some things to say to you and I don't want you to hear them.
I'm complicated, alright?
You should know that by now.

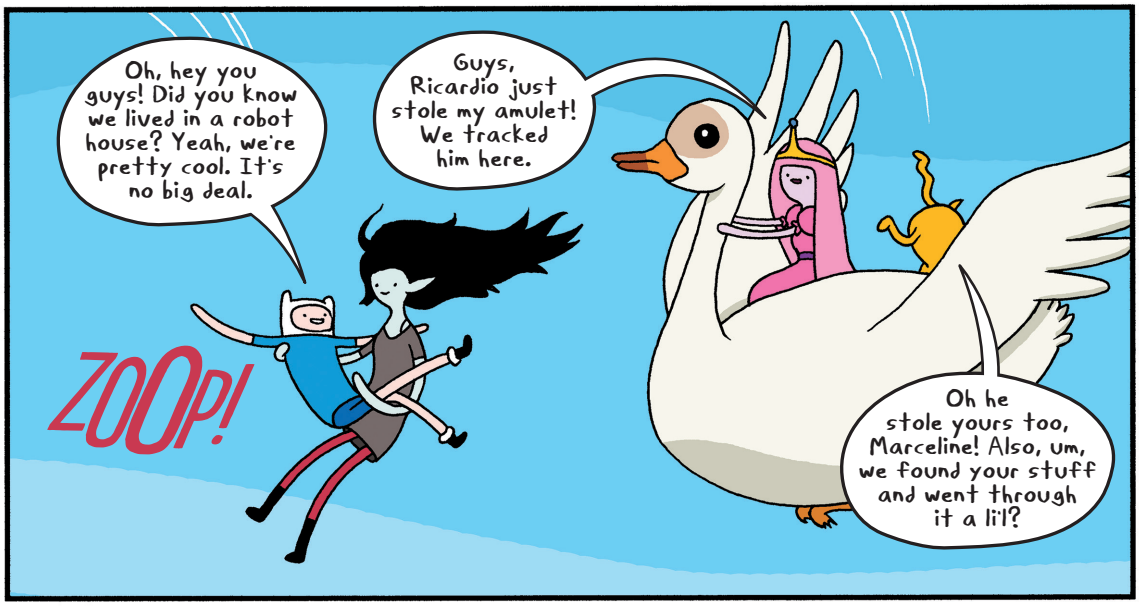

Okay, so I'm not stupid. I know our lives are moving us in different directions, okay? I get that. I get that nothing lasts forever, believe me.
But that doesn't mean I have to like it.
It's just - the way you act like nothing's wrong, it makes me SO mad. You know that, right? It makes me feel like I'm the only one who remembers how our friendship USED to be, who sees how it's changing. It feels like a betrayal. It feels lousy, Bonnie. And familiar.
This isn't my first rodeo.
And I know that you've got your hands full with your new kingdom, okay? I get that you're busy, and I want you to be busy. You're doing something so ambitious, so crazy...
I know you can do it. You're gonna be the one who changes the world, Bonnie. I've seen it in you.
But there's gotta be a balance there, you know? A way where we can stay friends, a way where I don't feel so hurt all the time. And it's not all you - I know I've been major cheesed because of this and that's not fun for anyone.
...I'll be a better friend, too.
Listen, I'm gonna come by tomorrow, help you build these Candy Kingdom retaining walls. Maybe we can punch some ooze monsters while we're at it, right? I'd like that. Right in the buns, yo.
You've been my best friend for so long, and we're not gonna lose that. We'll figure this out, Bubblegum.
Huh. "Princess Bubblegum." You know, it actually DOES sound kinda cool.
My friend, the princess.
I think I could get used to that.
Over and out.

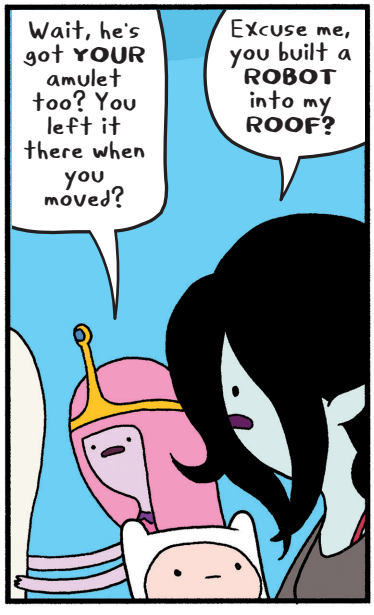


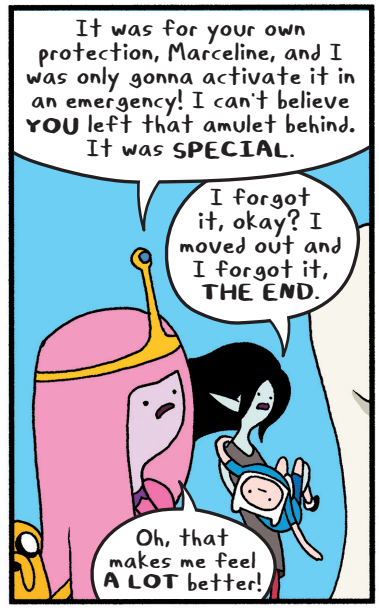
Marceline asked me not to put any comments beneath her pages but she's not here now so may I just say that "Mr. Cream Puff" is TOTALLY a name adults call each other. ESPECIALLY if one of them is an adult male with the family name "Cream Puff"??

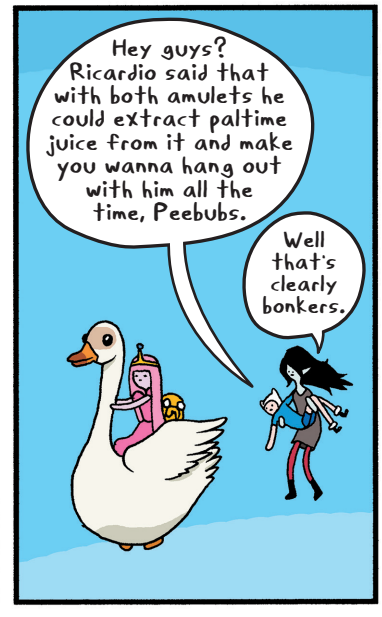

THAT treasure is just stuff. But THIS treasure...THIS treasure is suffused with the POWER OF PALTIMES. Once I crack them open and extract their PAL ESSENCE, Princess Bubblegum will want to hang out with ME instead!
Ricardio, your plan is dumb and made of problems!
Hey, that doesn't belong to you! It doesn't even belong to us really!
Hey, what's the deal? I thought Princess Bubblegum totally broke you the last time you got all up in our pineapples!
One thing you should know about broken hearts, Jake...
...give them a little time, and they always get better.
I'm pretty sure that's a metaphor for feelings, not actual dude's hearts that come alive.
Yeah seriously!
Nobody asked you!
Finn, how come bad guys never hug us instead of punching us or lazering us or whatever??
I KNOW RIGHT??
Marceline's amulet fires a lazer. You wanna see what PB's does?
Wait. Is that the one that Shok--
UM OBVIOUSLY I DON'T CARE IF YOU RECOGNIZE IT OR NOT, I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT IT BRINGS ROBOTS TO LIFE.
OTHERWISE YOU MIGHT NOT'VE UNDERSTOOD HOW AWESOME WHAT I'M ABOUT TO DO IS.
Zappa zup!
Okay Ricardio, I don't know what you think a robot is, but this is a house, so--
--hmm. How do I say this with politeness.
...Maybe you wanna look up "robot" in a dictionary and start from there?
Uh oh.
Aw glob this is either gonna be extremely bad or extremely awesome!
Come oooooon, extremely awesome!!

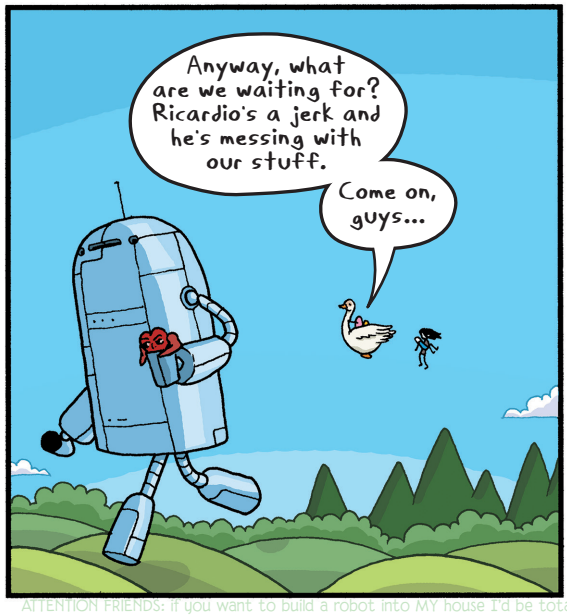

SYSTEMS ONLINE, YO.
IT'S THE AWESOME ONE! THE TOP OF OUR FORT IS A ROBOT!
We live in a robot house! FINN! We are the COOLEST PEOPLE in the ENTIRE WORLD!!
Robohouse, do my bidding! I want you to beat up Finn and Jake and then gimme a ride into the Candy Kingdom!
No, Robohouse, don't listen to him! Let's hang out and go on adventures instead!! Oh man oh man, you wanna go to the Waterpark Trampoline Kingdom?? They got this trampoline at the bottom of a waterslide that--
SORRY DUDE, BUT ROBOT RULES ARE I HAVE TO LISTEN TO THE FIRST PERSON WHO GAVE ME AN ORDER, AND IT WAS THAT CREEPY HEART FELLOW.
Awww, Robohouse!
Come on, Robohouse! We just found out we were living in a robot house! We don't wanna leave yet!
At least let us tell all our friends about you before you kick us--
--aaaa

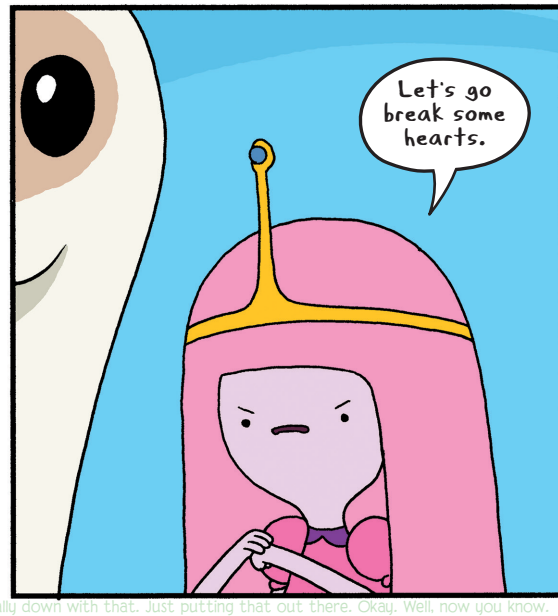




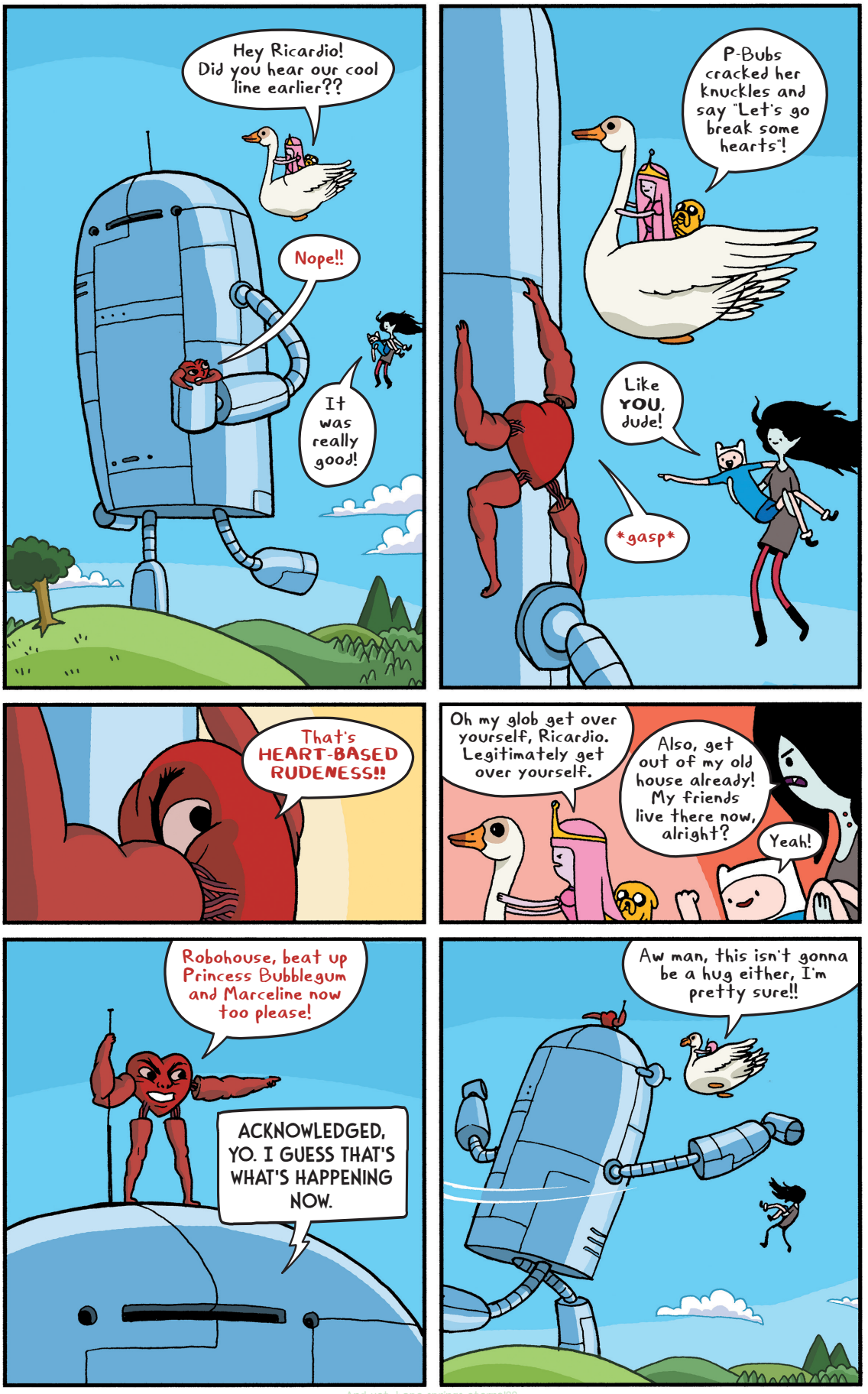


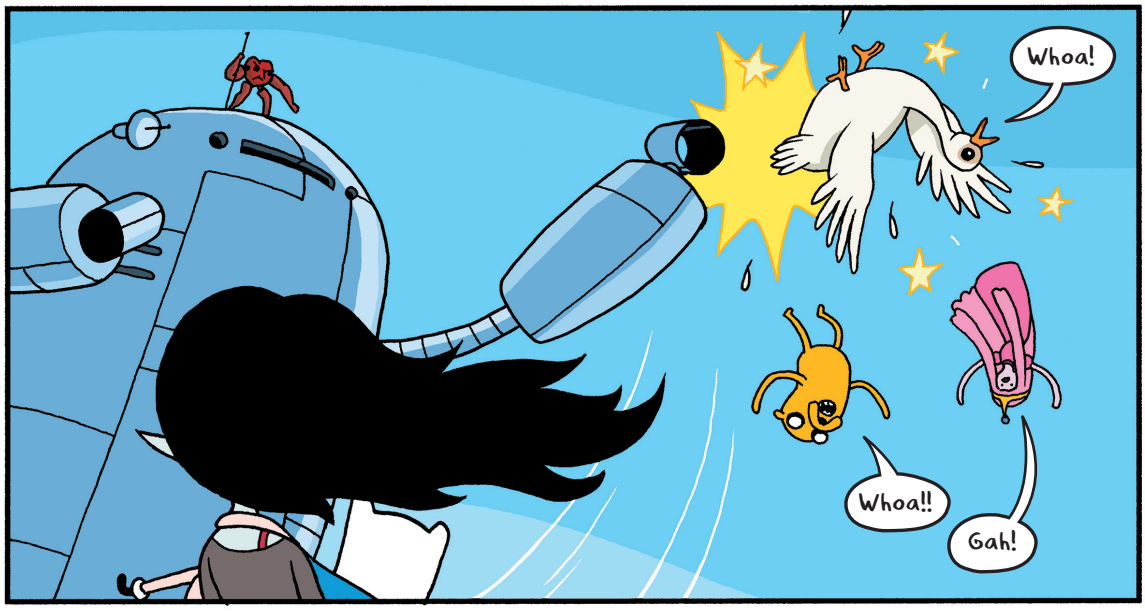


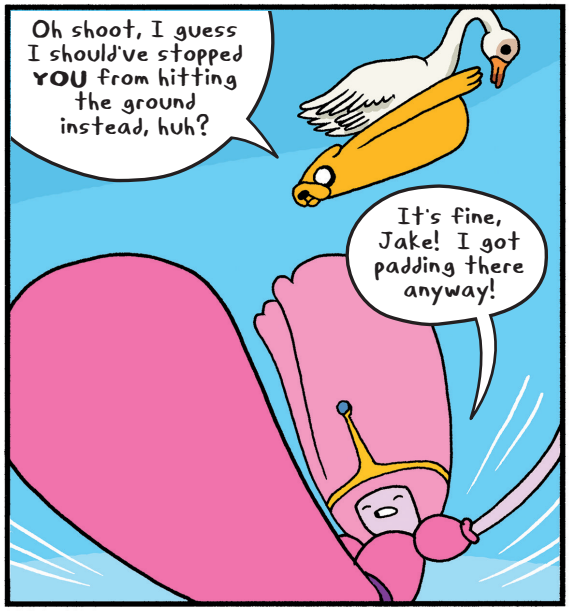


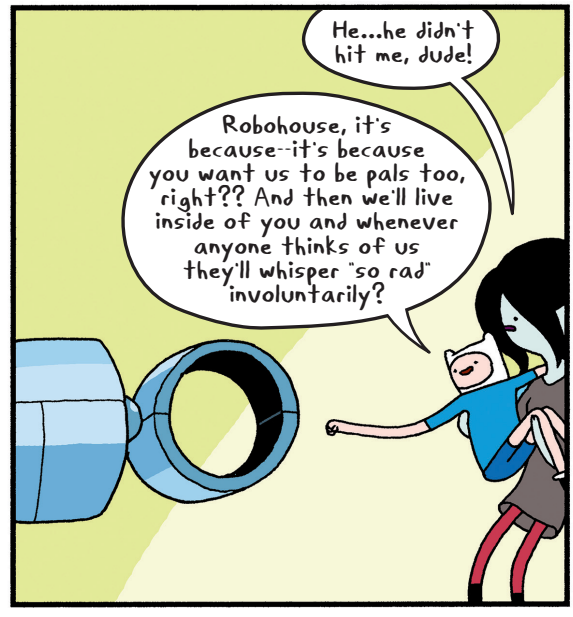


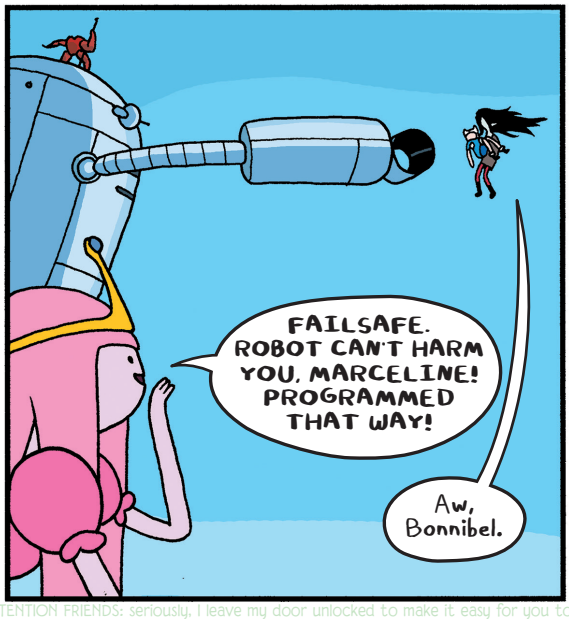
ATTENTION FRIENDS: If you want to build a robot into MY house I'd be totally down with that. Just putting that out there. Okay. Well, now you know.


Hey Ricardio! Did you hear our cool line earlier??
Nope!!
It was really good!
P-Bubs cracked her knuckles and say "Let's go break some hearts"!
Like YOU, dude!
gasp
That's HEART-BASED RUDENESS!!
Oh my glob get over yourself, Ricardio. Legitimately get over yourself.
Also, get out of my old house already! My friends live there now, alright?
Yeah!
Robohouse, beat up Princess Bubblegum and Marceline now too please!
ACKNOWLEDGED, YO. I GUESS THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW.
Aw man, this isn't gonna be a hug either, I'm pretty sure!!



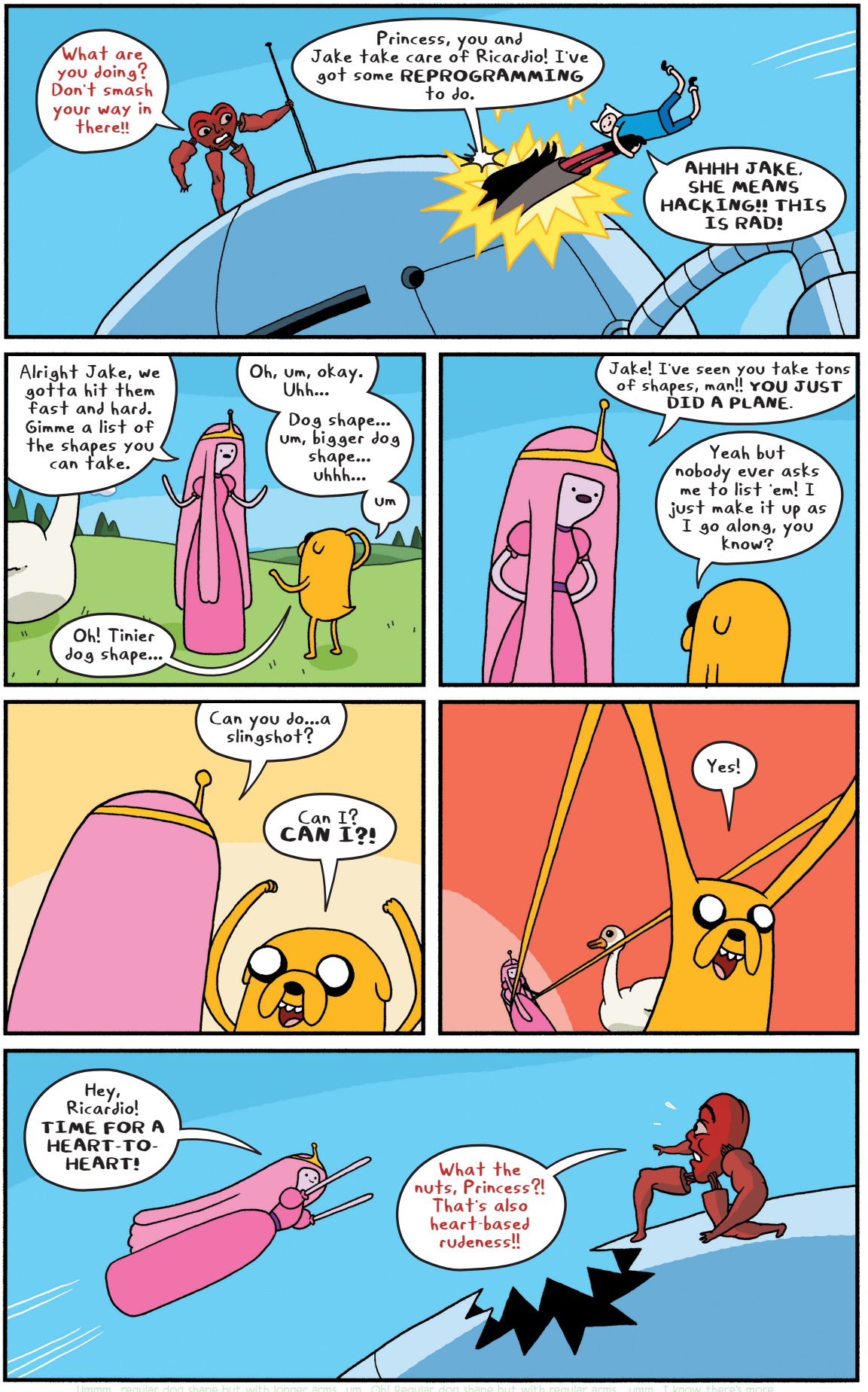




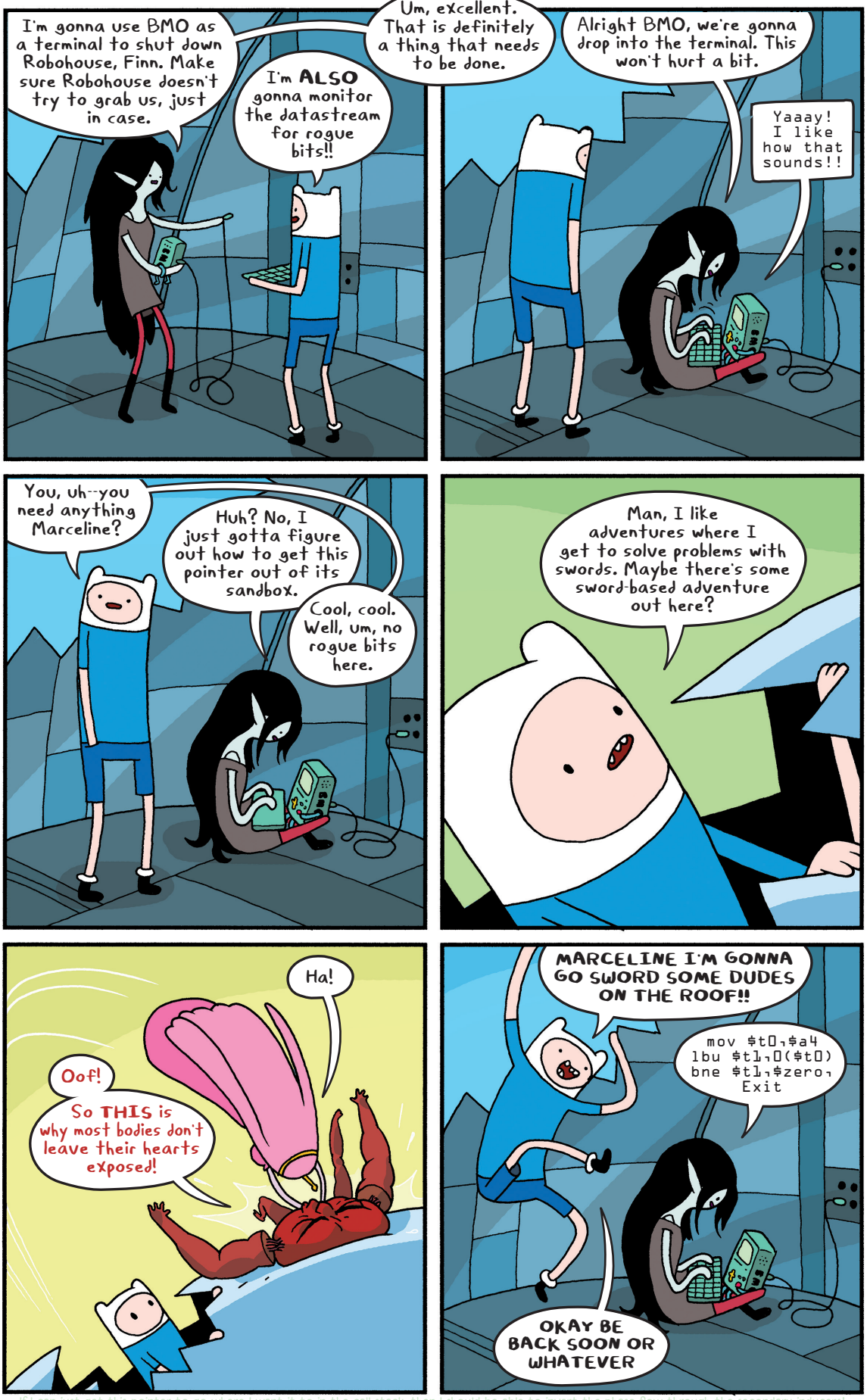




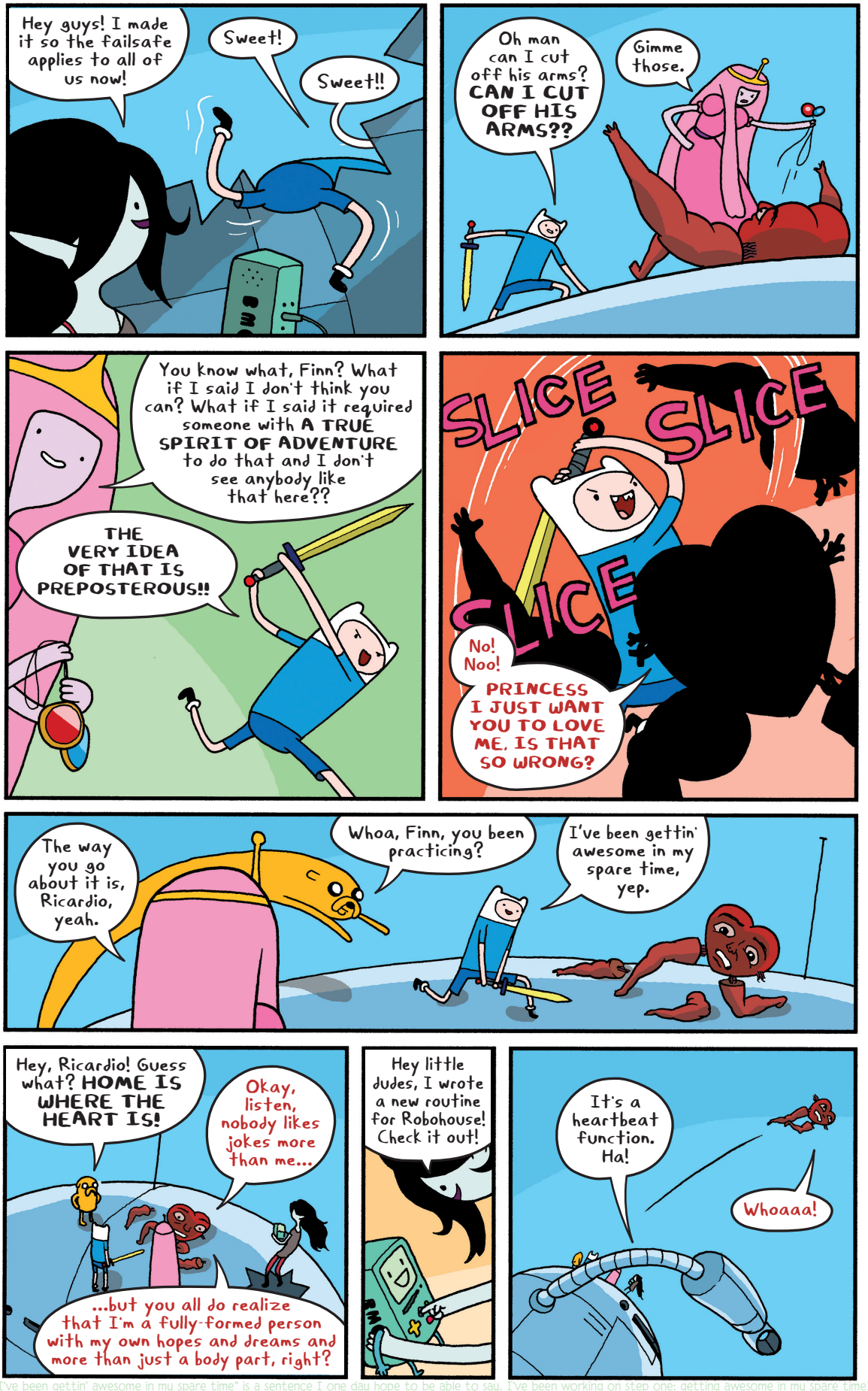
ATTENTION FRIENDS: seriously, I leave my door unlocked to make it easy for you to sneak in and turn my house into a robot. Just sayin'. My birthday is October 20th.



Ummm...regular dog shape but with longer arms...um...Oh! Regular dog shape but with regular arms....umm...I know there's more...

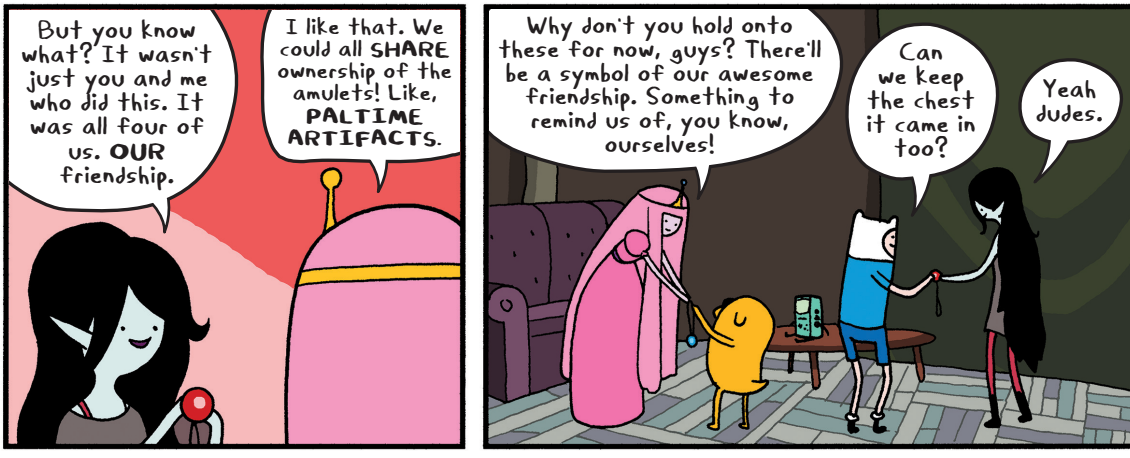


If I can just get this pointer to go where I want it to in the call stack, then I should be able to invert the phase flow through the secondary inducers!

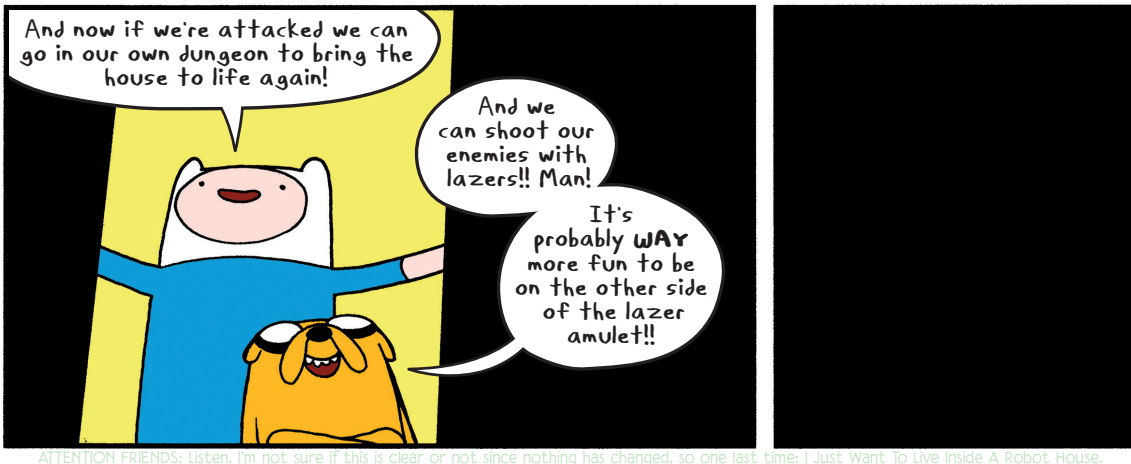


"I've been gettin' awesome in my spare time" is a sentence I one day hope to be able to say. I've been working on step one: getting awesome in my spare time!









ATTENTION FRIENDS: Listen, I'm not sure if this is clear or not since nothing has changed, so one last time: I Just Want To Live Inside A Robot House.



And that's what they did.

A few weeks later, I felt myself being moved, and then...

Again, time passed, and I couldn't tell how long. Years. Decades.

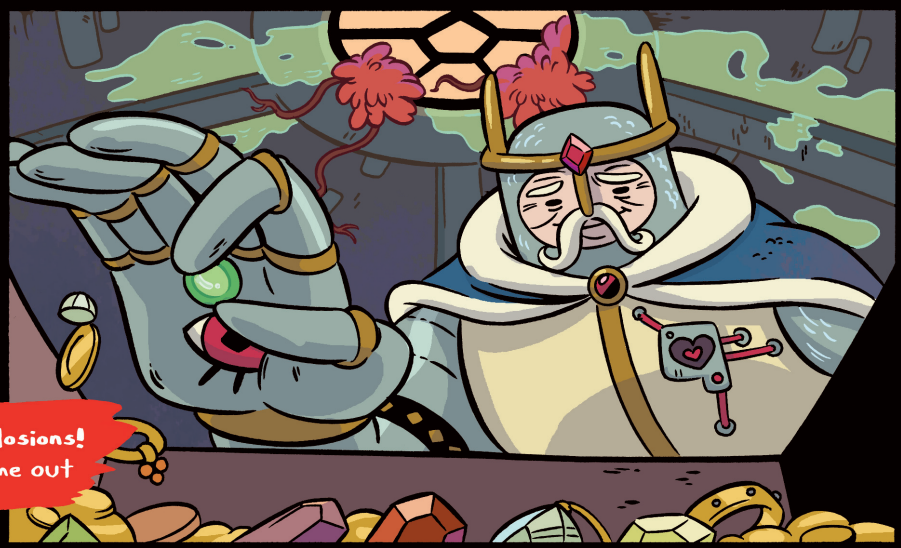
They opened me from time to time, adding new treasure, taking some out, but always Gemma and I remained. Together.

It was so rad. We could finally chill as much as we wanted.



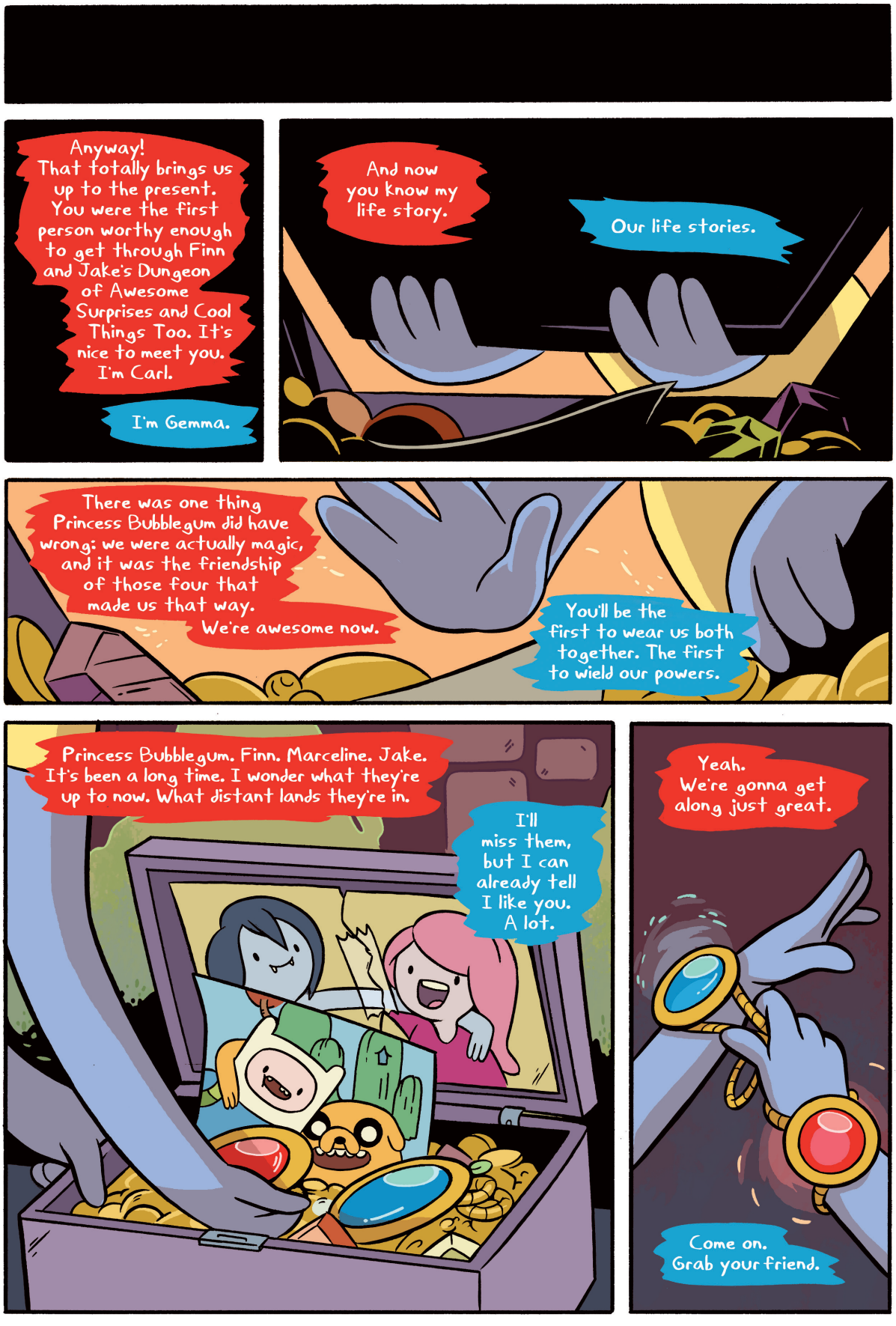
It seemed like the time between their visits was getting longer, but it was okay.

We had each other to keep ourselves company.



I guess it did get a little boring, to be honest. I missed adventure!

Fights! Exploration! Explosions! Making lazers come out of my body!


Anyway! That totally brings us up to the present. You were the first person worthy enough to get through Finn and Jake's Dungeon of Awesome Surprises and Cool Things Too. It's nice to meet you. I'm Carl.
I'm Gemma.
And now you know my life story.
Our life stories.
There was one thing Princess Bubblegum did have wrong: we were actually magic, and it was the friendship of those four that made us that way.
We're awesome now.
You'll be the first to wear us both together. The first to wield our powers.
Princess Bubblegum. Finn. Marceline. Jake. It's been a long time. I wonder what they're up to now. What distant lands they're in.
I'll miss them, but I can already tell I like you. A lot.
Yeah. We're gonna get along just great.
Come on. Grab your friend.


It's adventure time.
THE END.