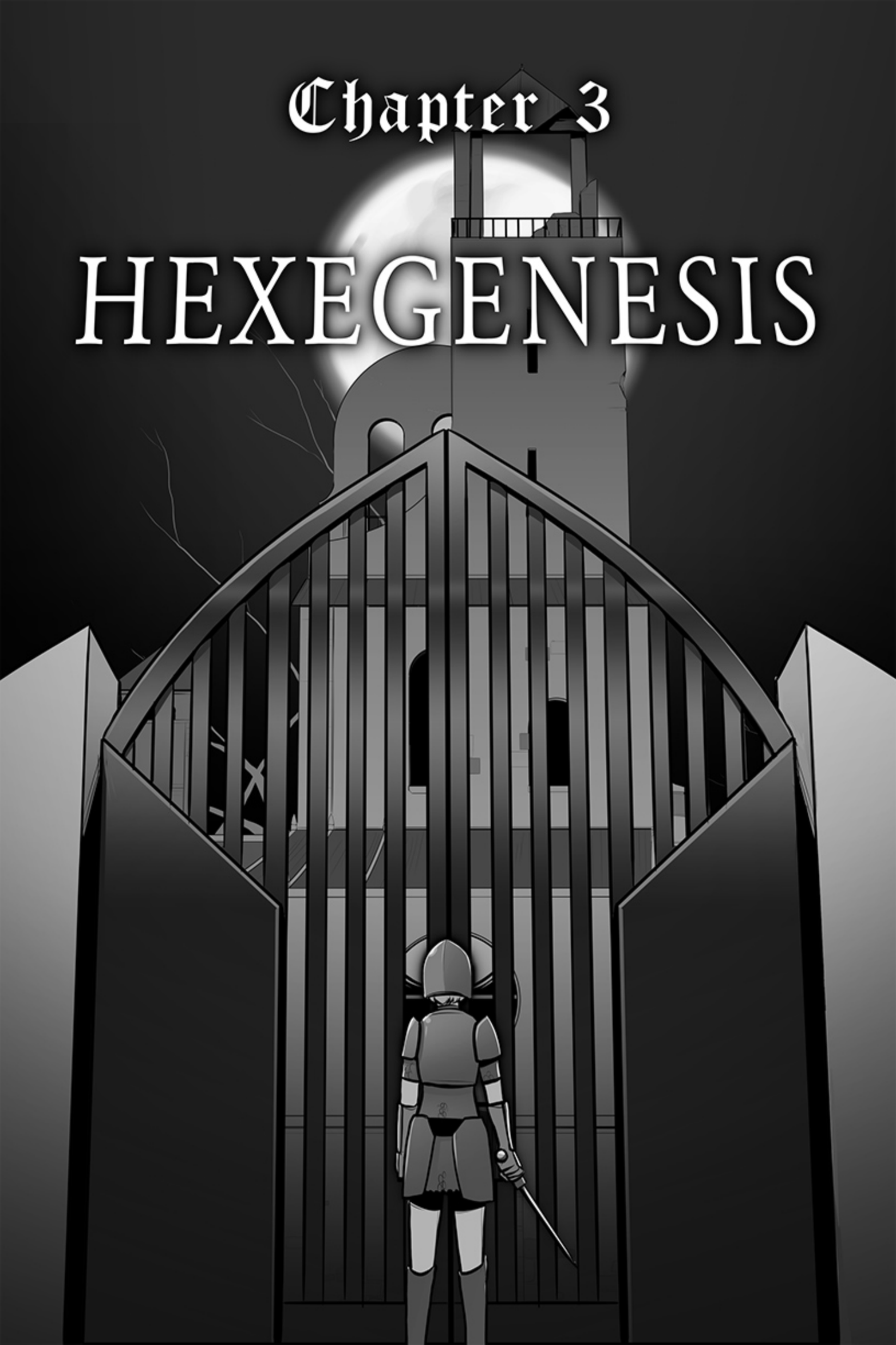
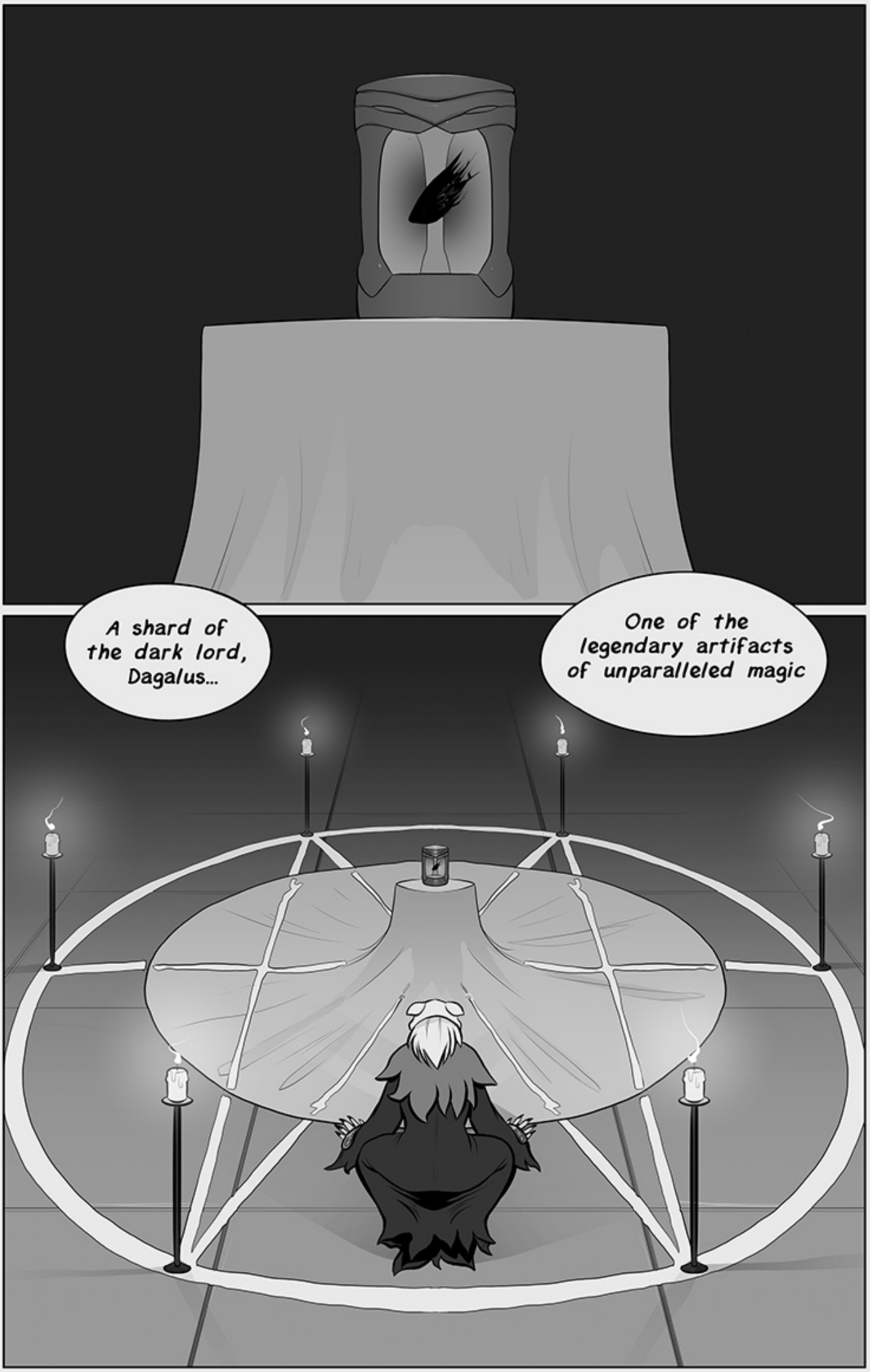
Chapter 3

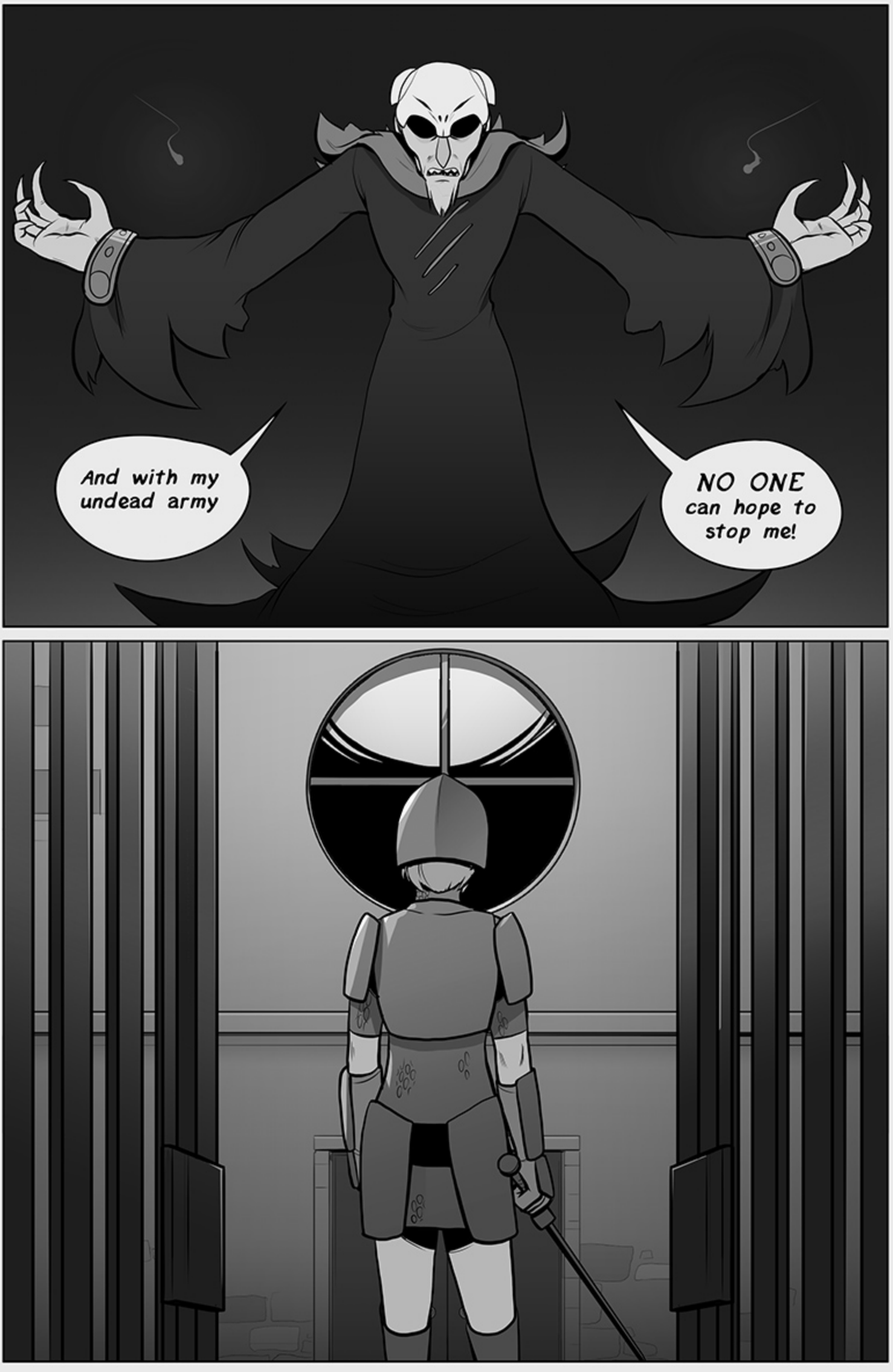
HEXEGENESIS




A shard of the dark lord, Dagalus...
One of the legendary artifacts of unparalleled magic

That will grant great power to those with the strong desire within...
Finally mine
ARE YOU WRITING THIS DOWN

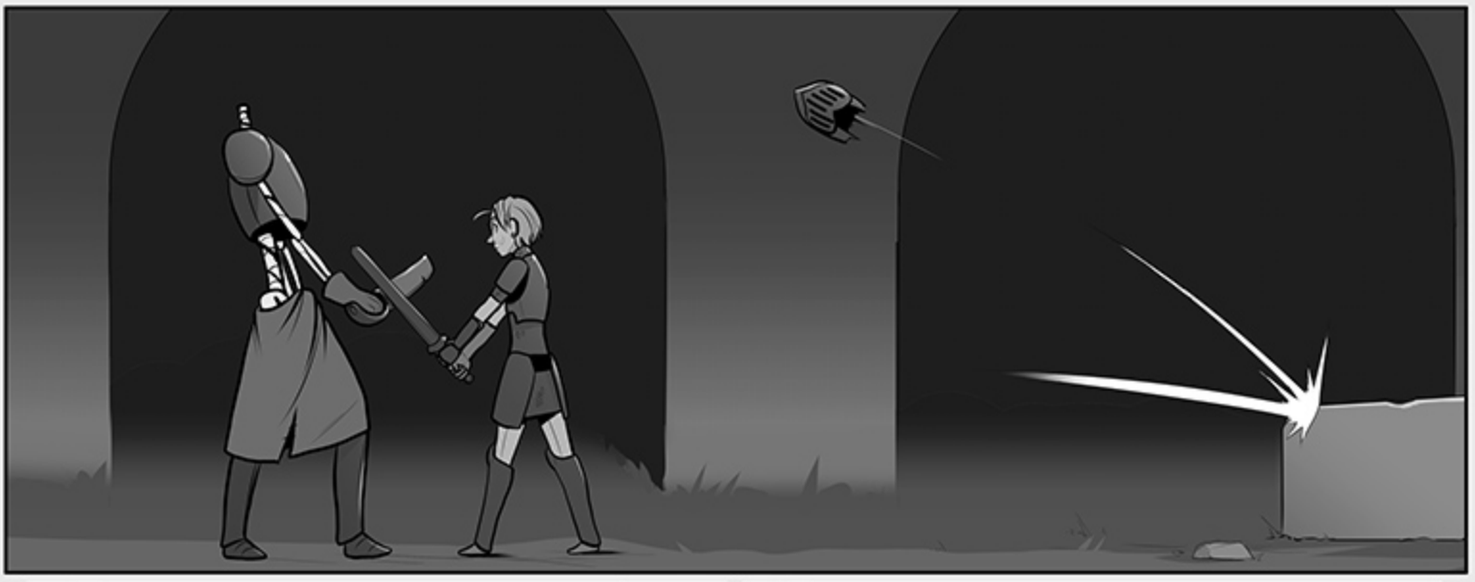
I,
Billiam Branzer,
Necromancer,
will unlock its secrets...


And with my undead army
NO ONE can hope to stop me!

I see the rumors were overstated.
I'll never be a proper knight at this rate.
Pity,
I was looking forward to quashing some necromancer and his slow,
feckless,
shambling,
um, rotten...
CLACK CLACK

Clackety?
CLANG

Brianne Ironheart
Age
14
CLANG



CLONK

Nyeeeeeeeh
CLATTER

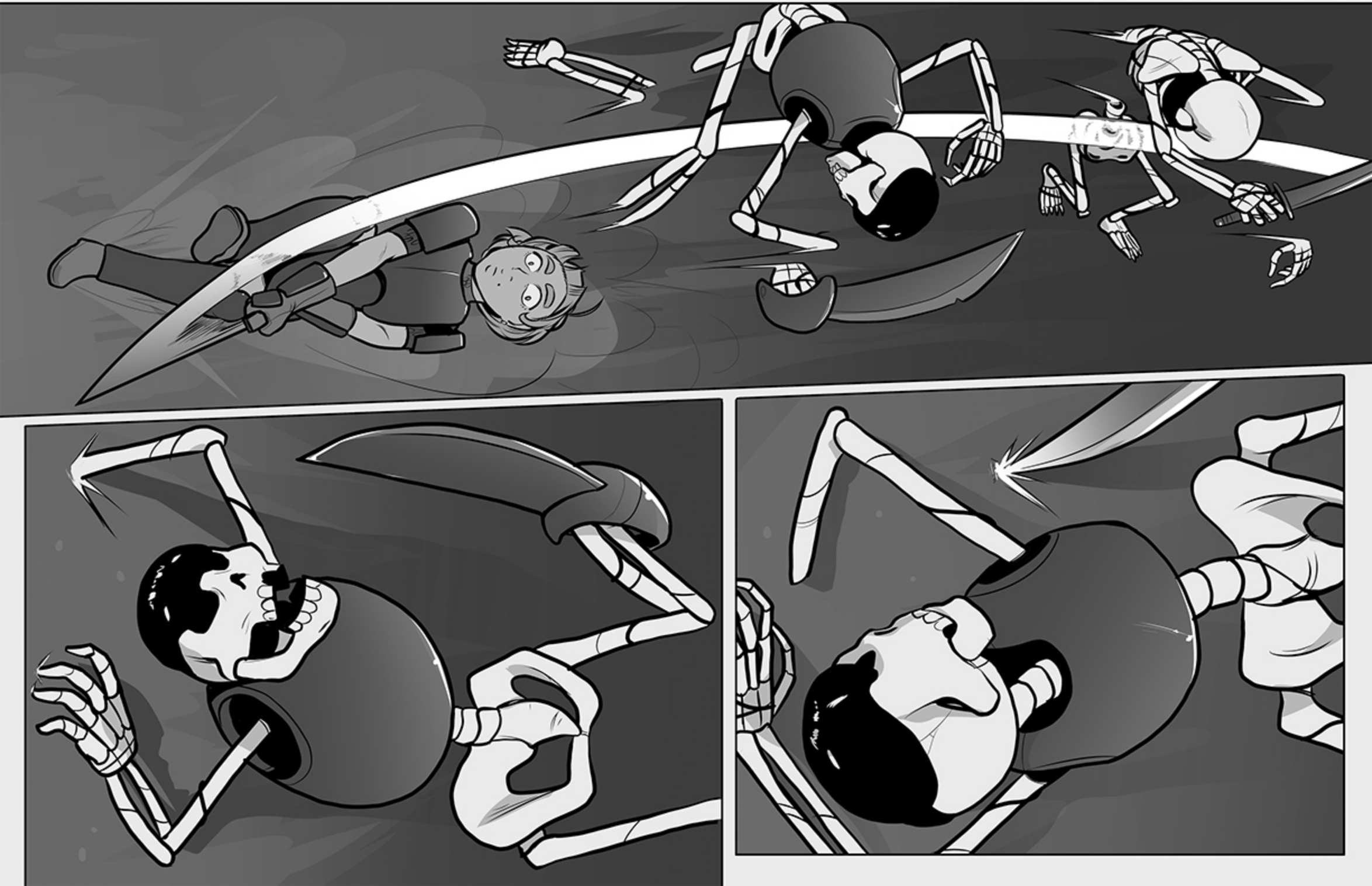
CLACK
CLINK
CLATTER

Okay, this may be a slightly higher challenge level than previously thought.
Think, think Brianne...
What did your father tell you about fighting the undead...

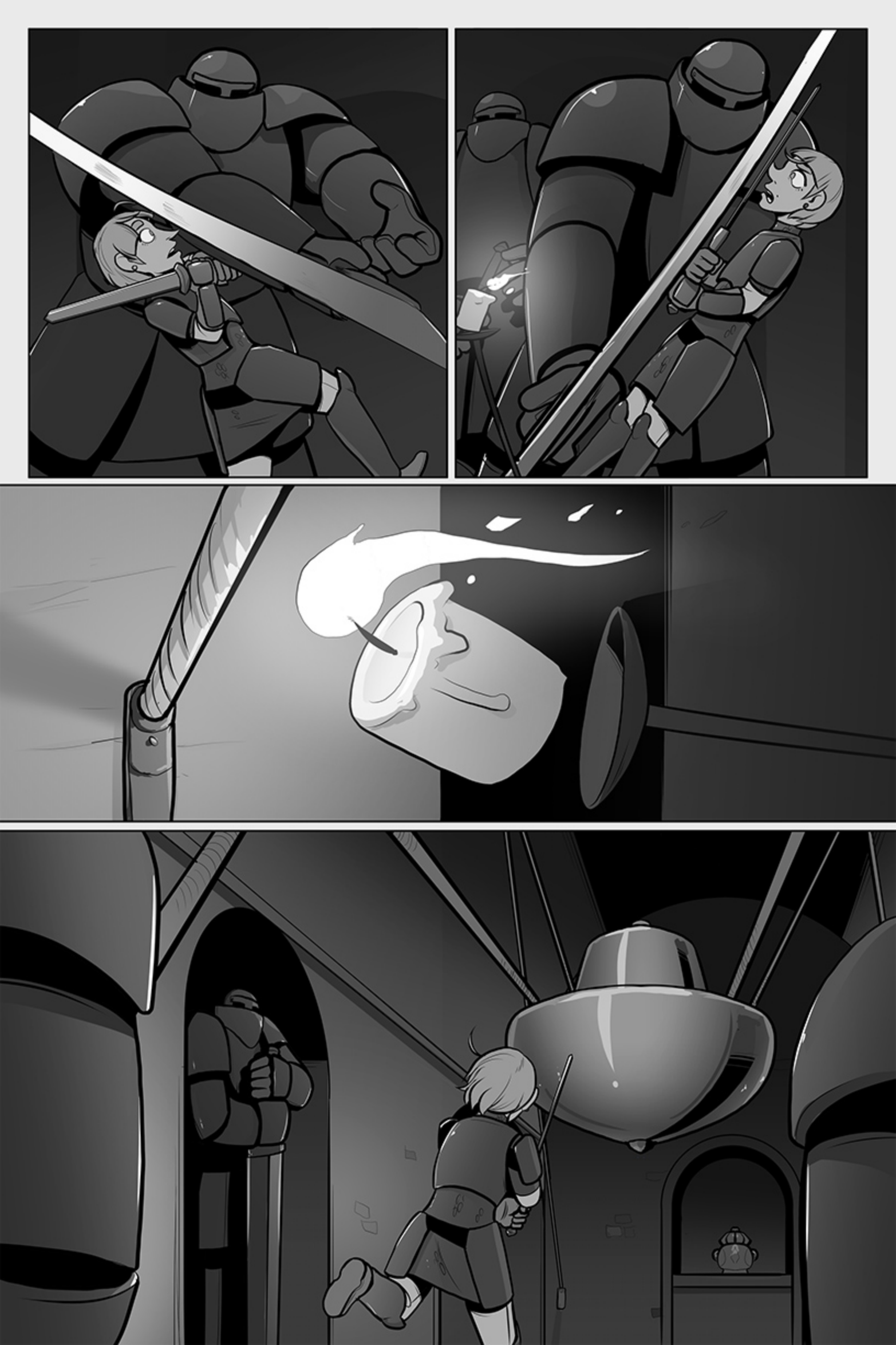
Remember my daughter. If you're ever up against the undead... just don't be.
Don't fight 'em, it's super not worth it.
Just remember, "Walking bones? Leave them alones."
Papa, that's awful.
I'm not a writer, I'm a knight!
And I've been one long enough to know I don't wanna ever fight any more undeads!
I HATE UNDEADS!

Well, thanks Papa...
A real knight... doesn't run away just because of a spooky unknown enemy.
...Or a bunch of them.
Yes...
Verily.
I have to face this enemy head-on.
Like a Proper Knight.

NYEEEEEE

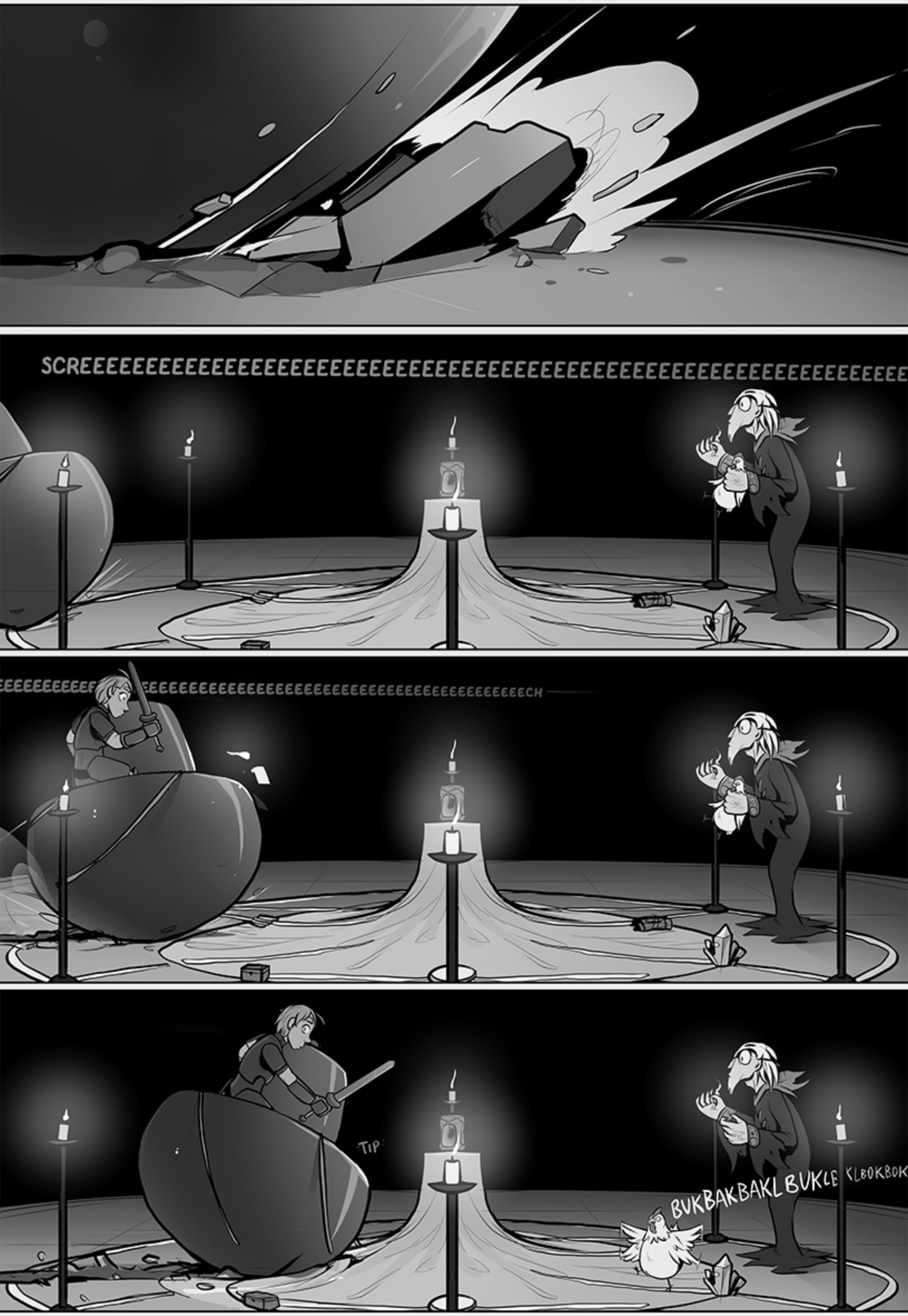


Okay.
Unknown scary castle.
But at least I'm away from all the-
CLANK

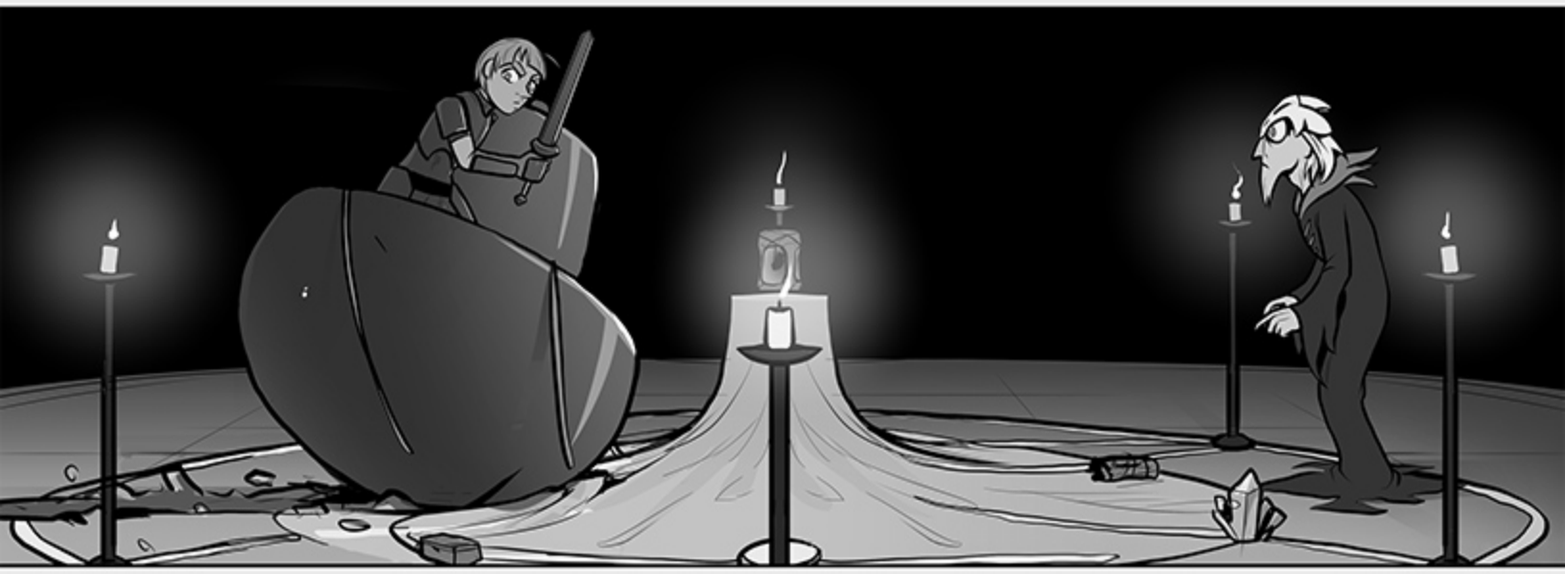


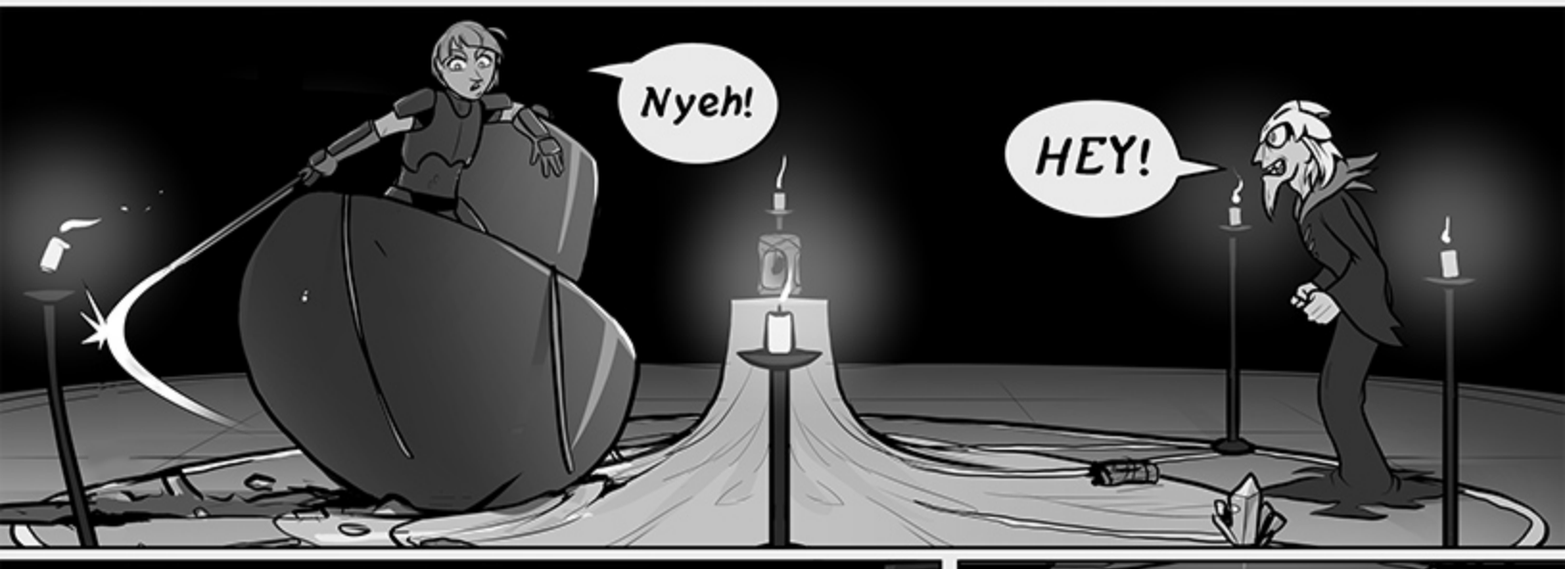
Come on,
come on,
What does it take to activate a stupid legendary artifact?

How bad do I have to want your stupid power
for you to WORK?!
CRASH

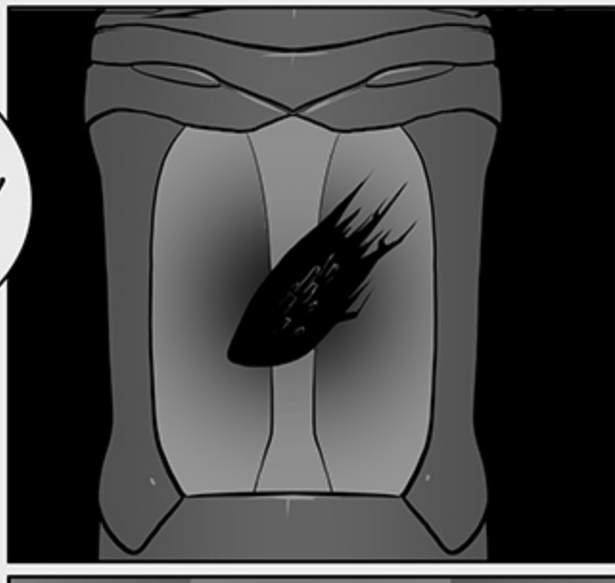

SCREEEE

Necromancer!
You're too late!
Small girl!
I'm enacting like six rituals
And it's definitely too late to stop at least one of them!

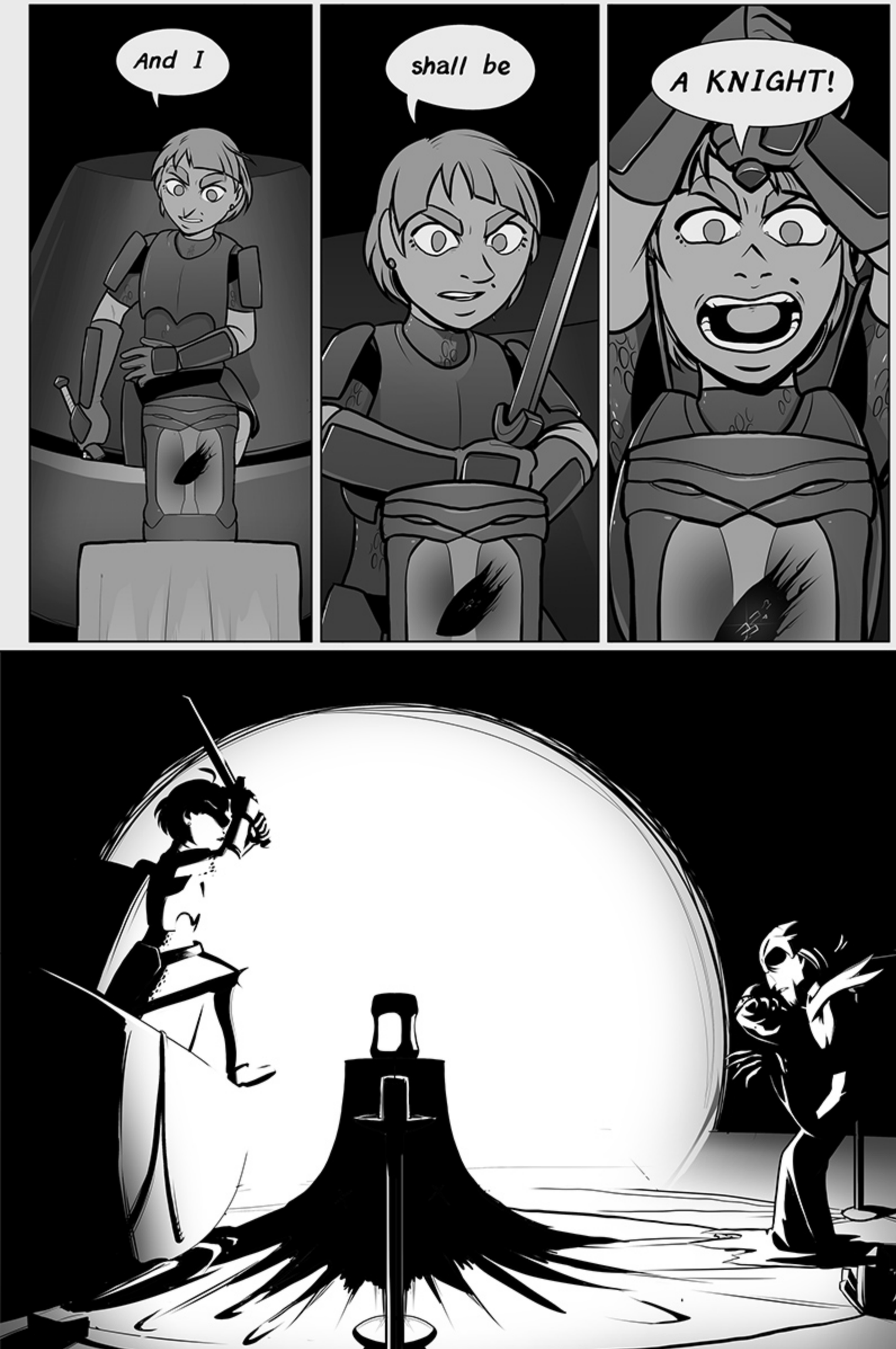


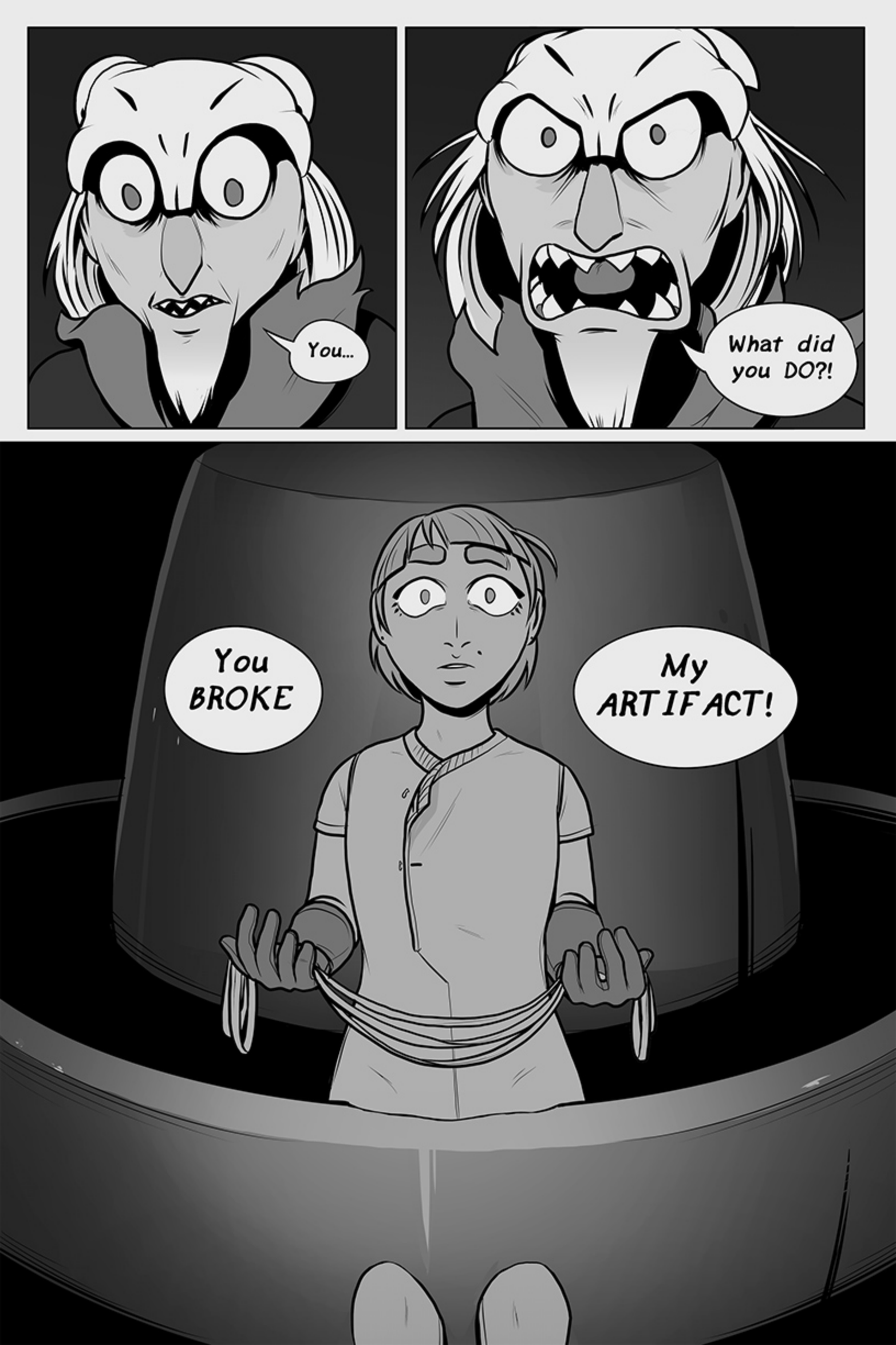

Nyeh!
HEY!

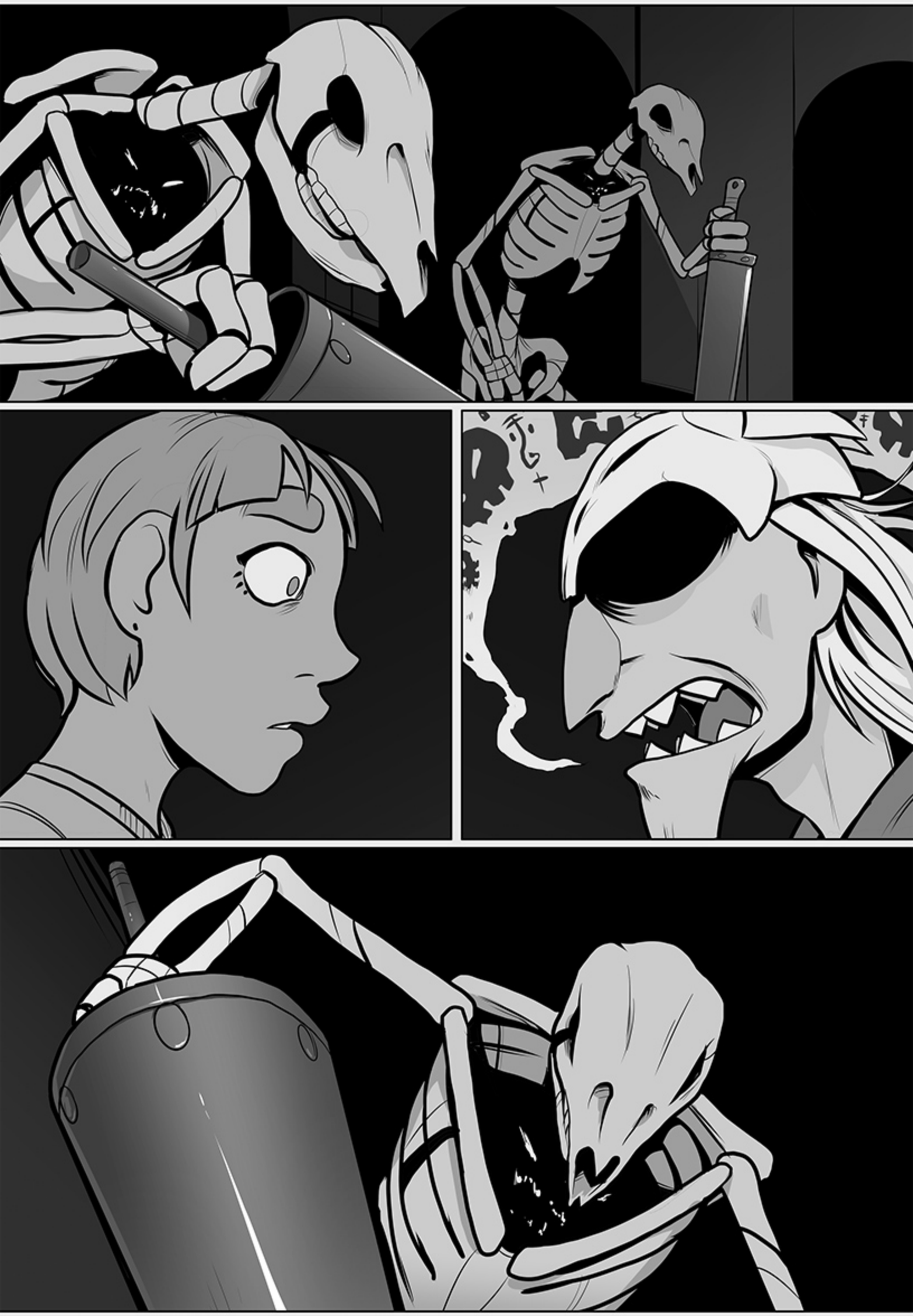
I won't let you do whatever spooky undead thing you're doing!
It's my job to stop people like you!

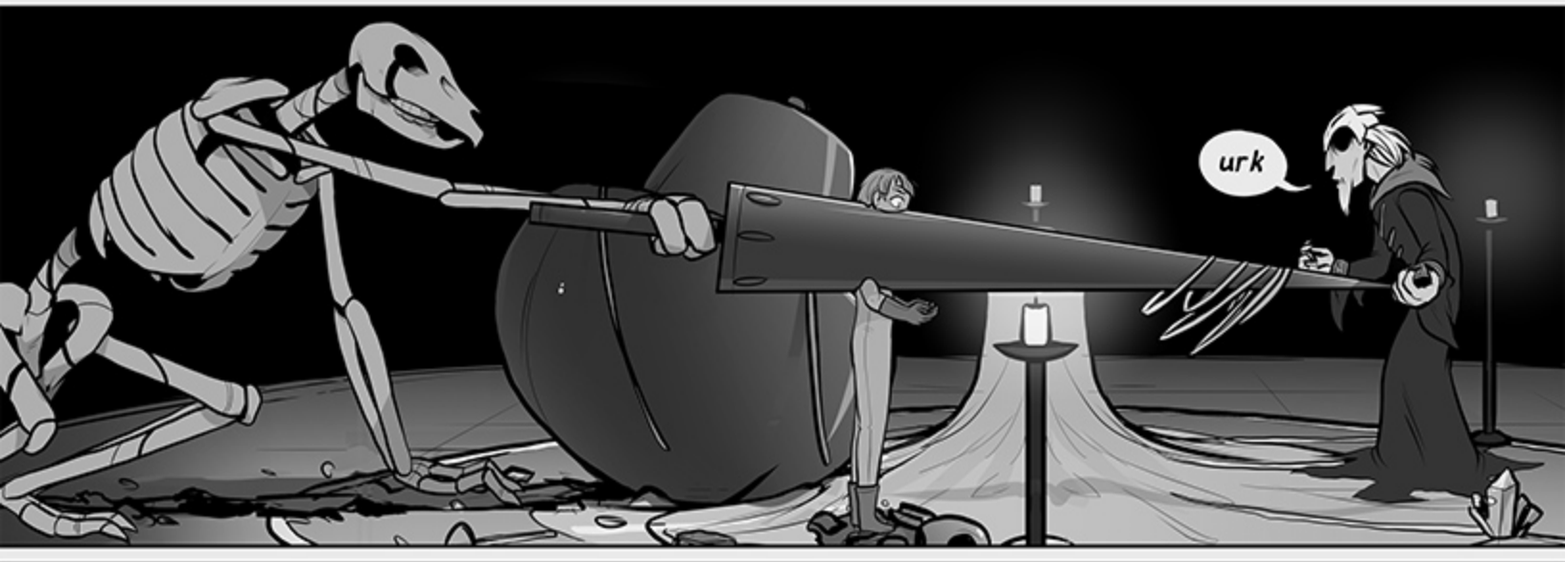


I am Brianne Ironheart!


And I
shall be
A KNIGHT!


You...
What did you DO?!
You BROKE
My ARTIFACT!

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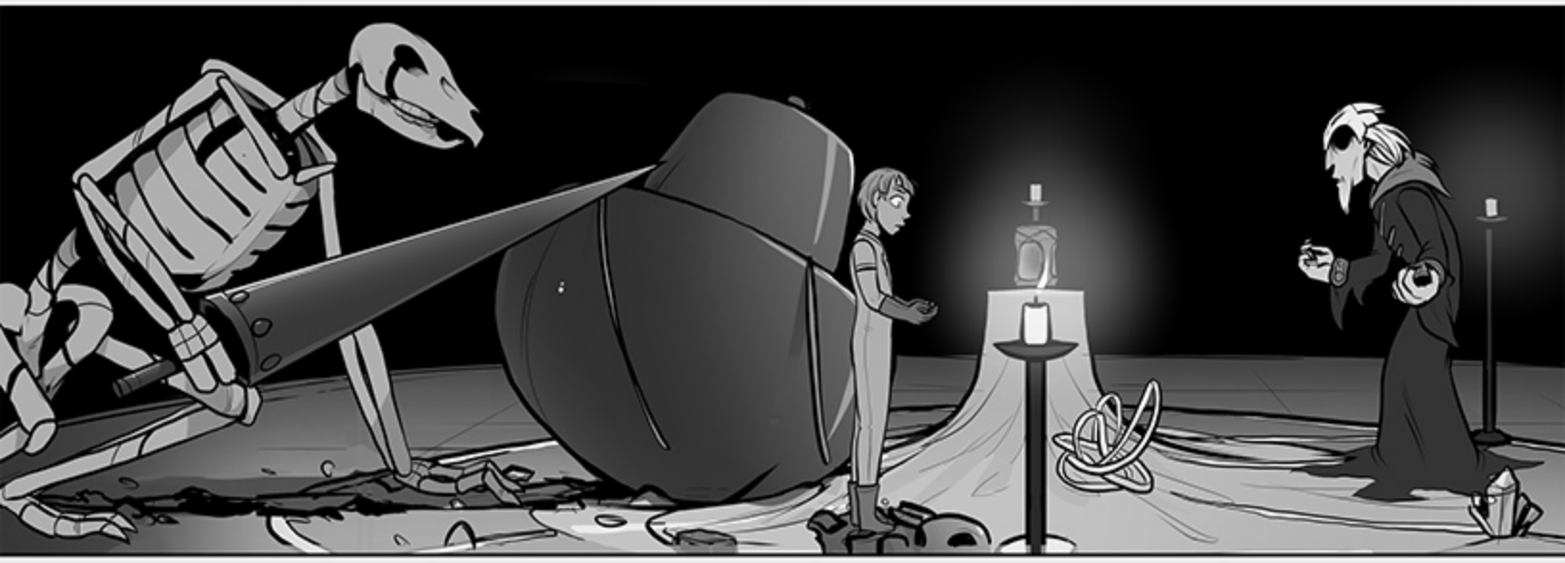
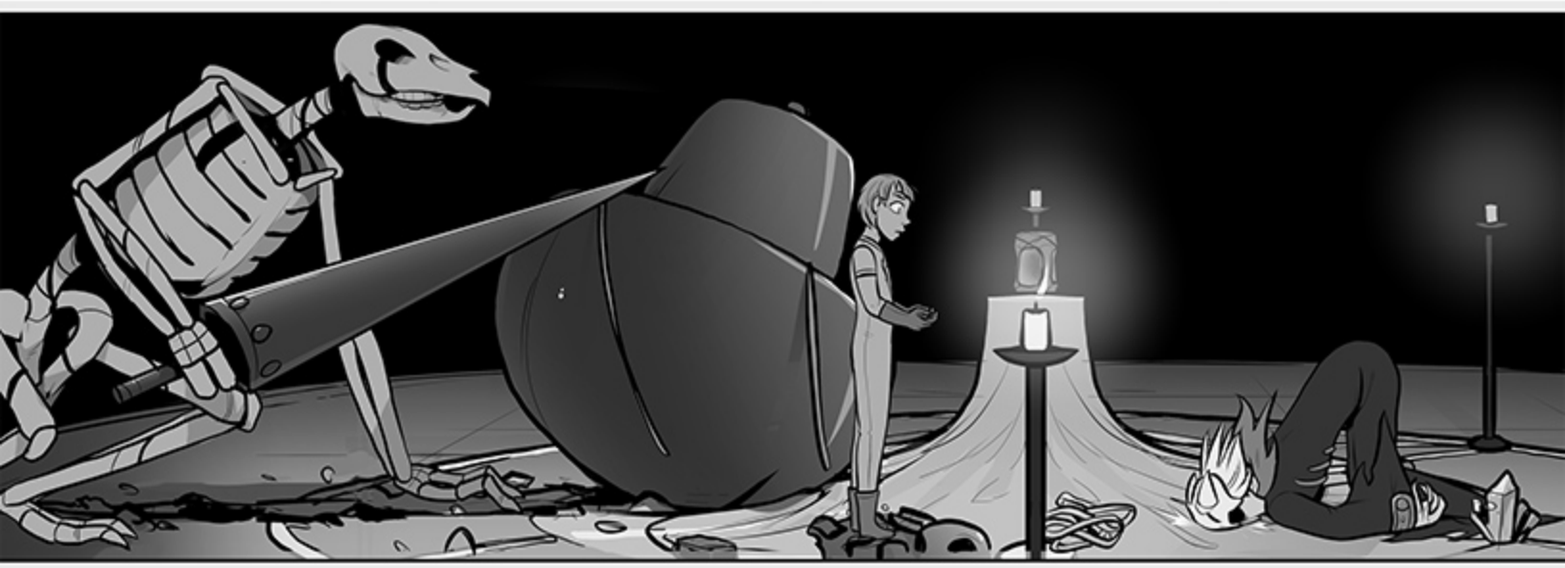
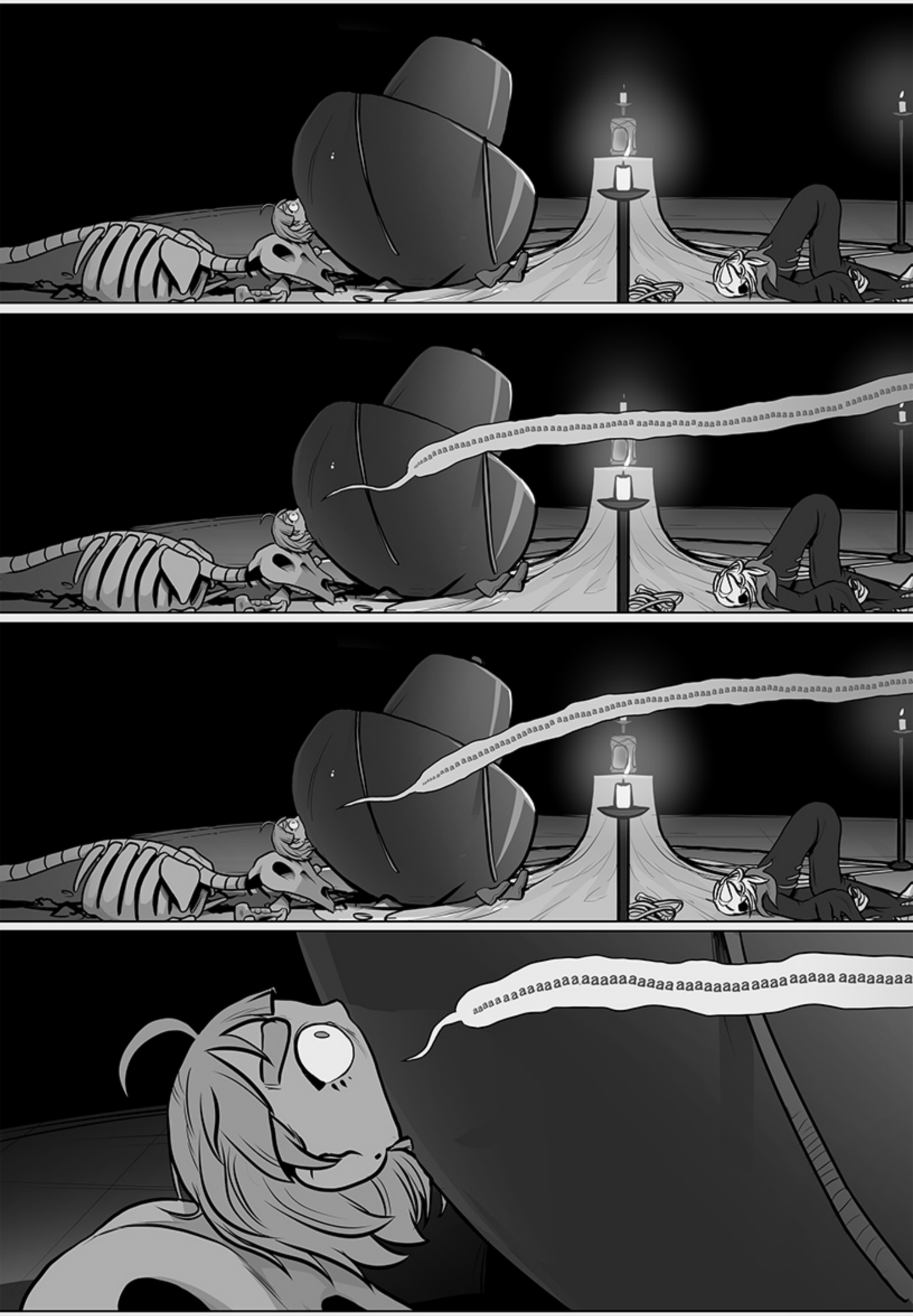




thank yooouu

Okay...
Previous terror... replaced by a subtler, more existential terror.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Brianne!
We've been looking all over for you!

Are you alright?
Why are you half-dressed for battle?
Papaaa
I goofed.
PRAY CONSIDER LISTENING TO THINE PARENTS
End Chapter 3

Thanks for reading!

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