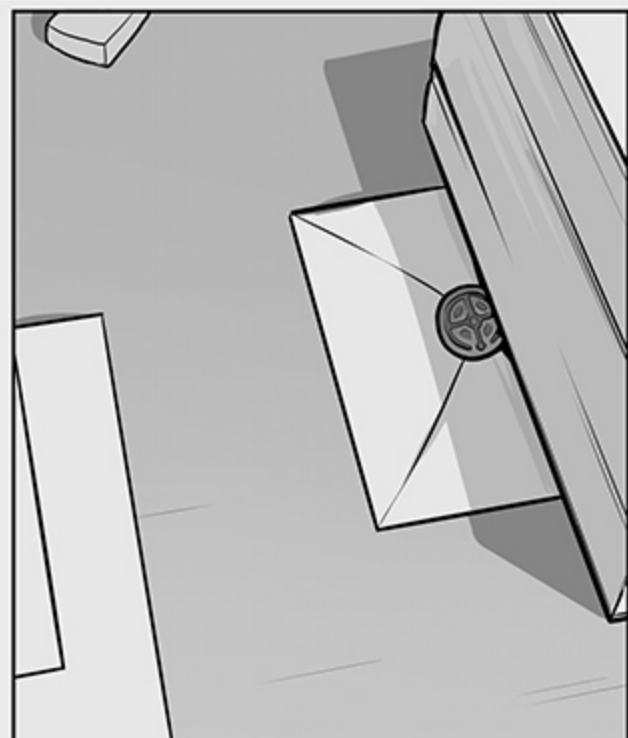


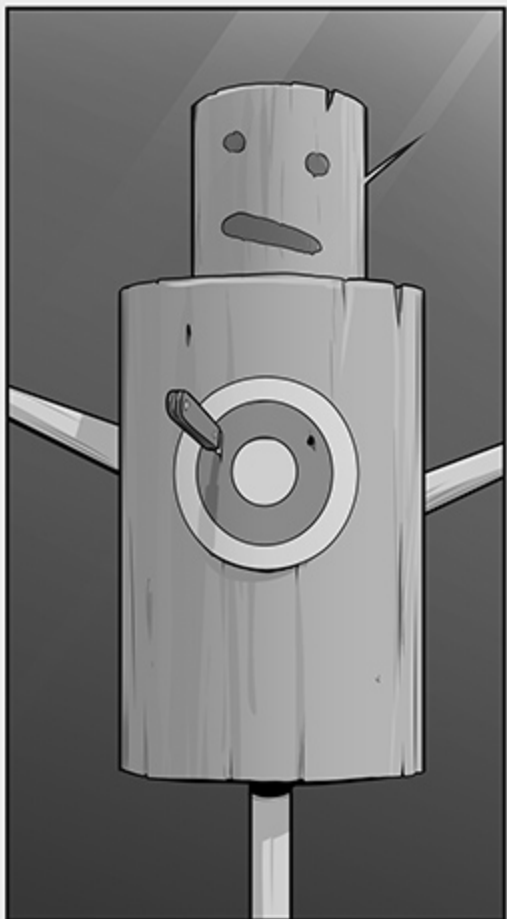
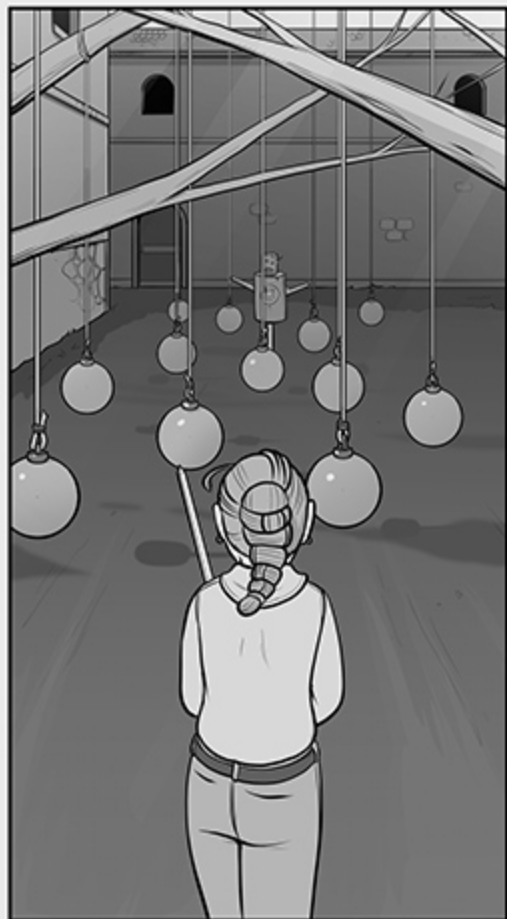
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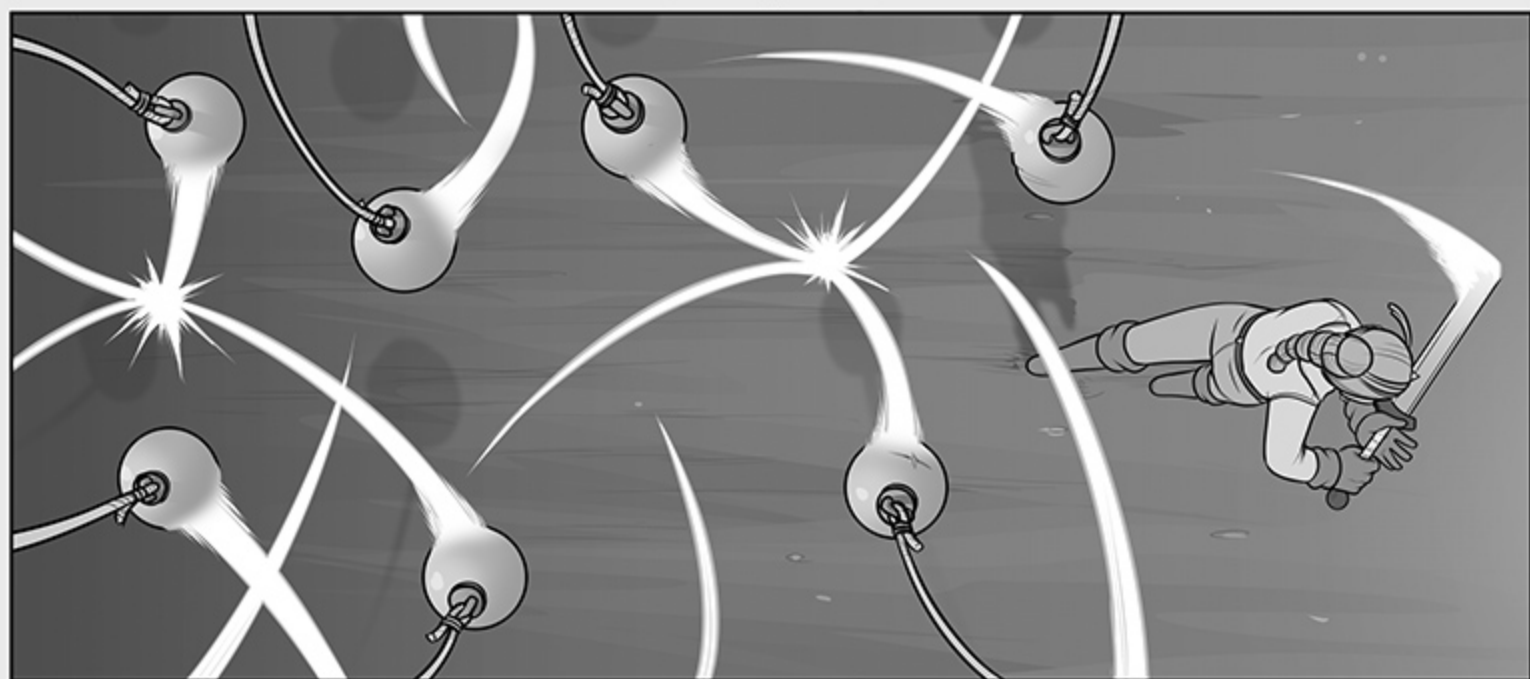
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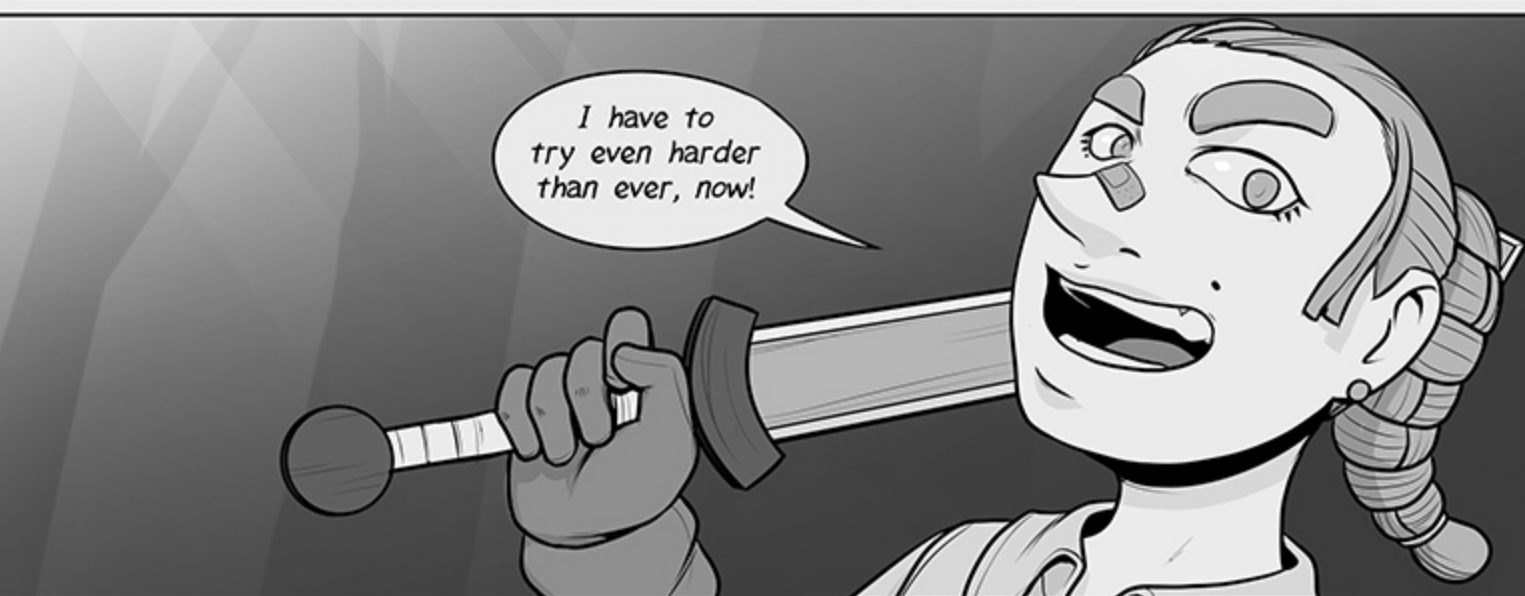
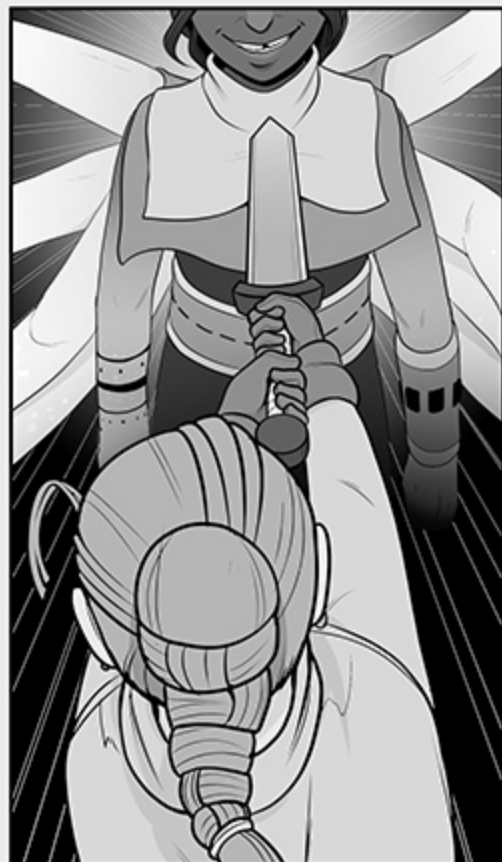


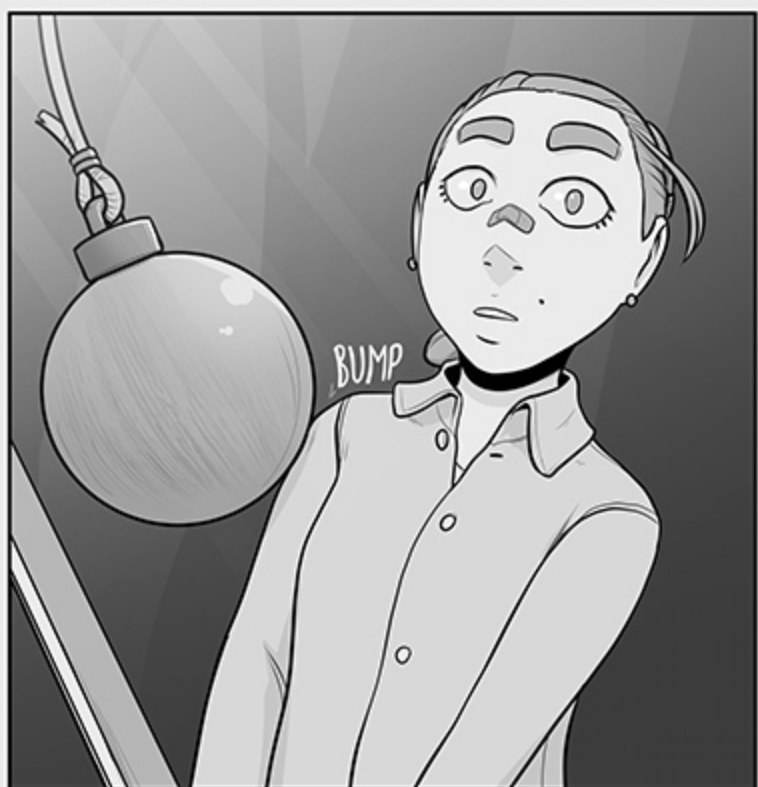








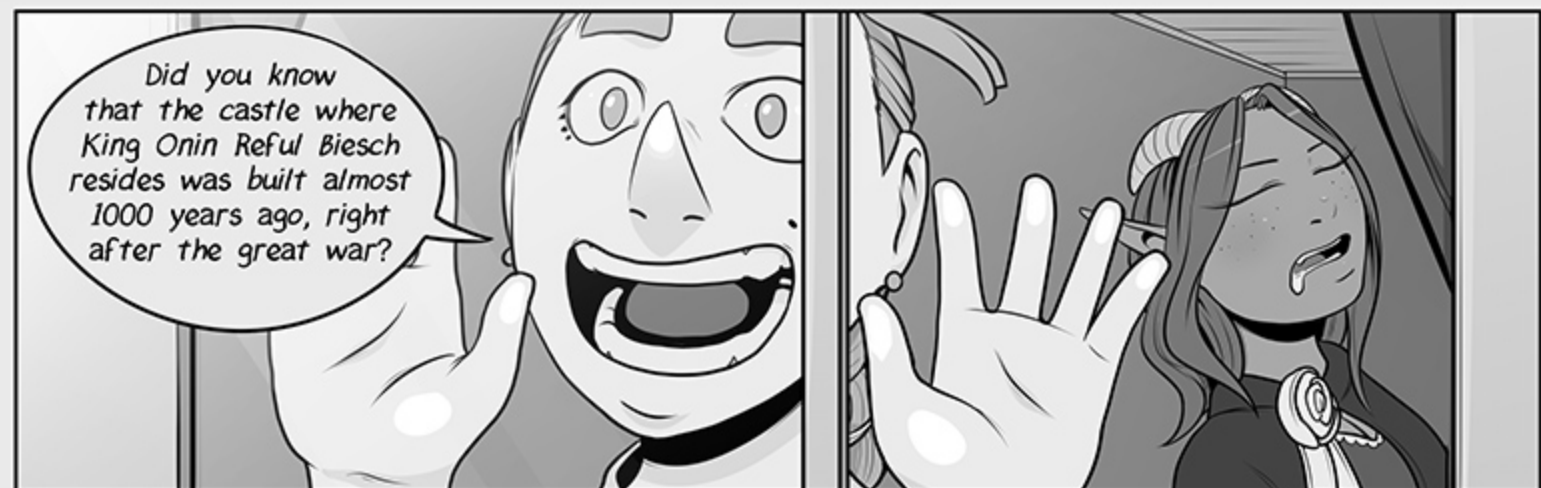




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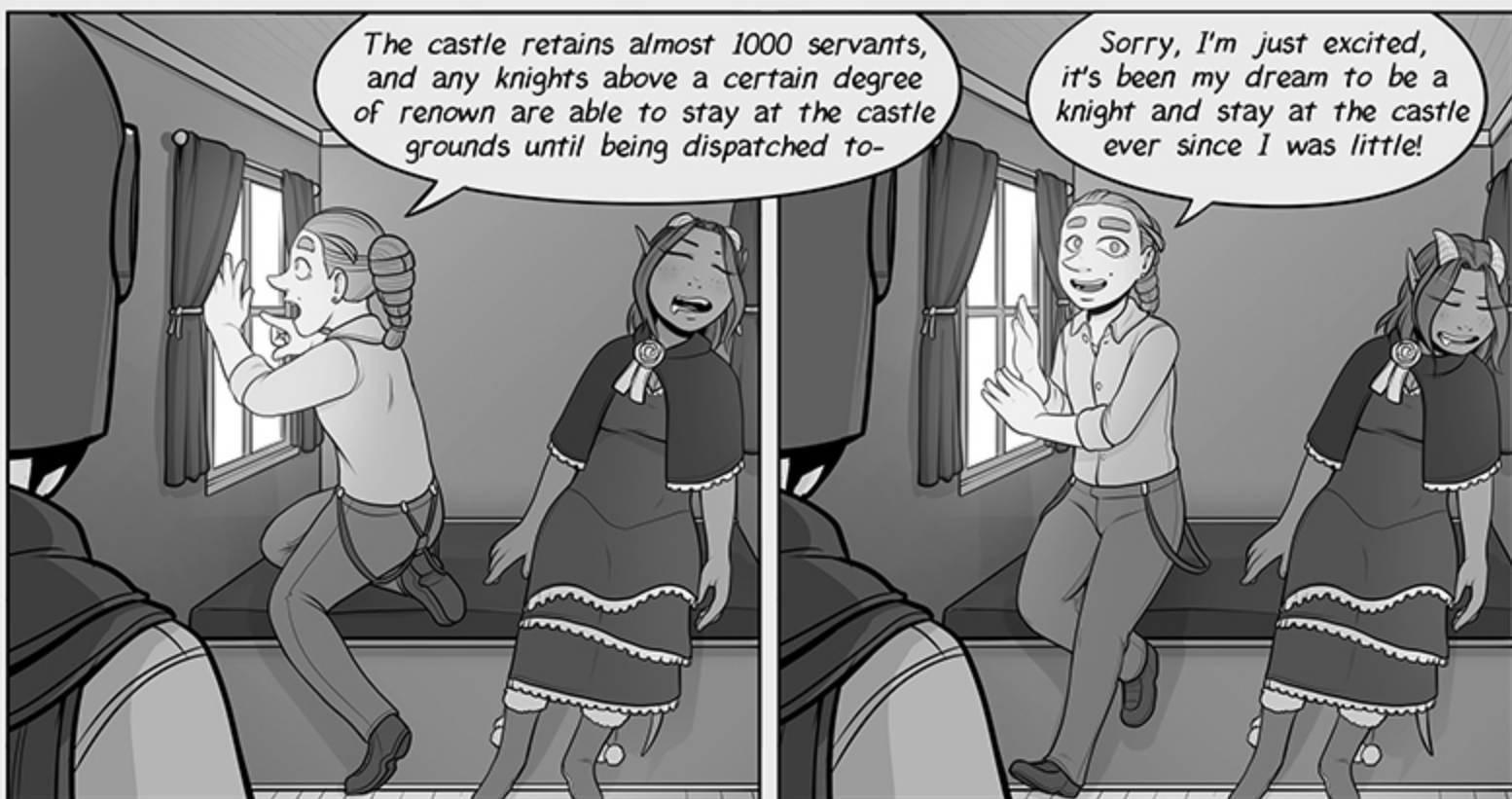


Did you know that the castle where King Onin Reful Biesch resides was built almost 1000 years ago, right after the great war?

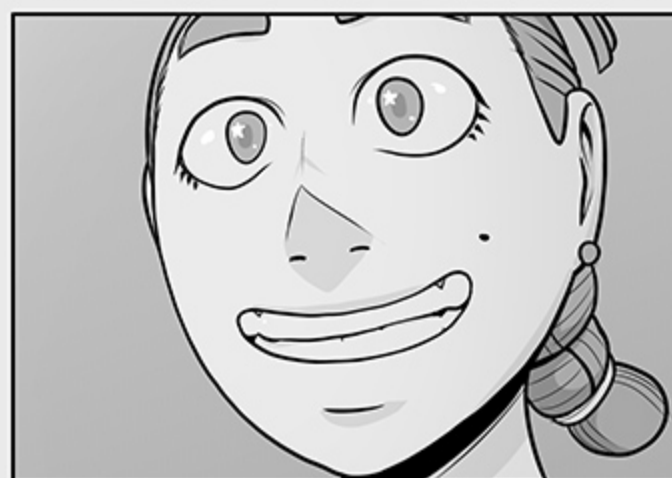


The castle retains almost 1000 servants, and any knights above a certain degree of renown are able to stay at the castle grounds until being dispatched to-

Sorry, I'm just excited, it's been my dream to be a knight and stay at the castle ever since I was little!







Ate Grate Nights?



The Eight Great Knights of Central

The Core Corps



Tune Knight



Why in the name of muses are there only four of us?

Beat Knight couldn't be pulled away from the dreadful noise he was putting together.

Well I'd just as soon not have that cacophonous flake present, but what of Midsummer!

Picture of punctuality, usually.

Righty Knight



Titan Knight



Wasn't there something about... the day that today is?

Um, don't you remember, Ma'am?

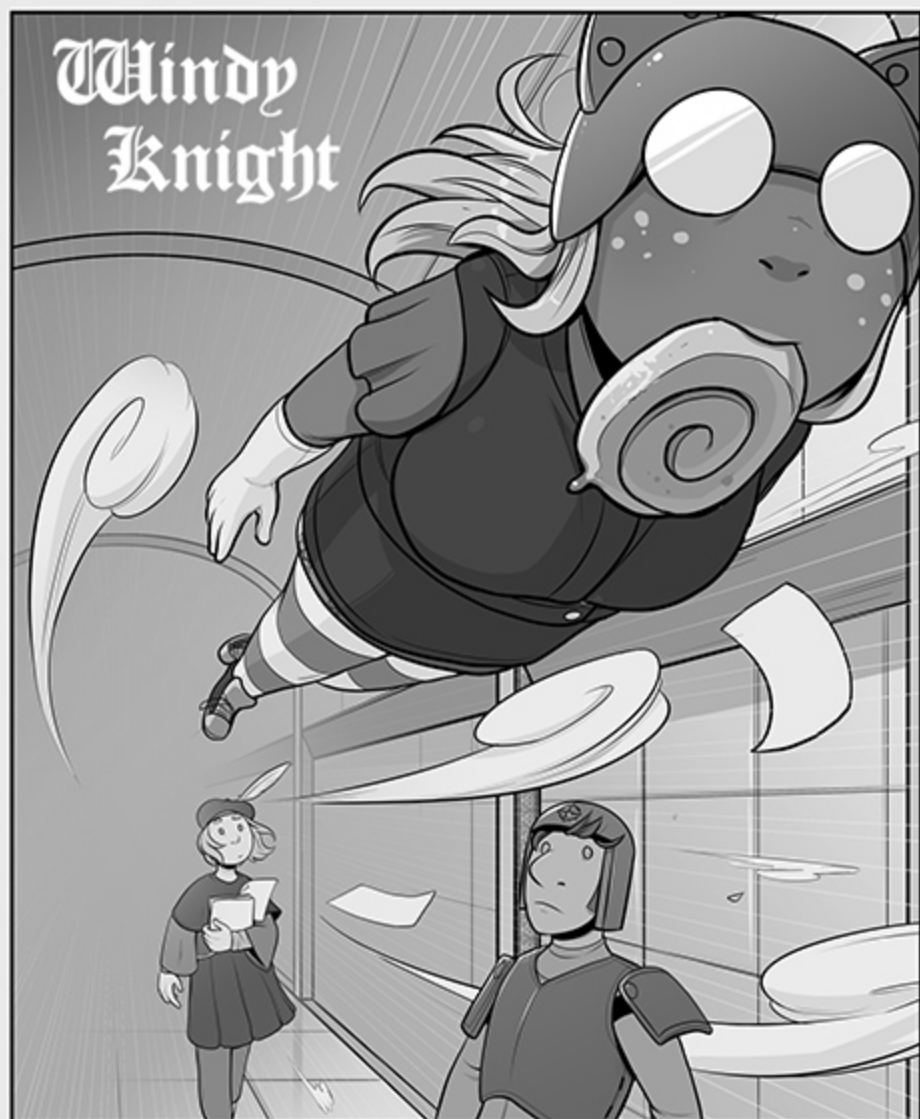
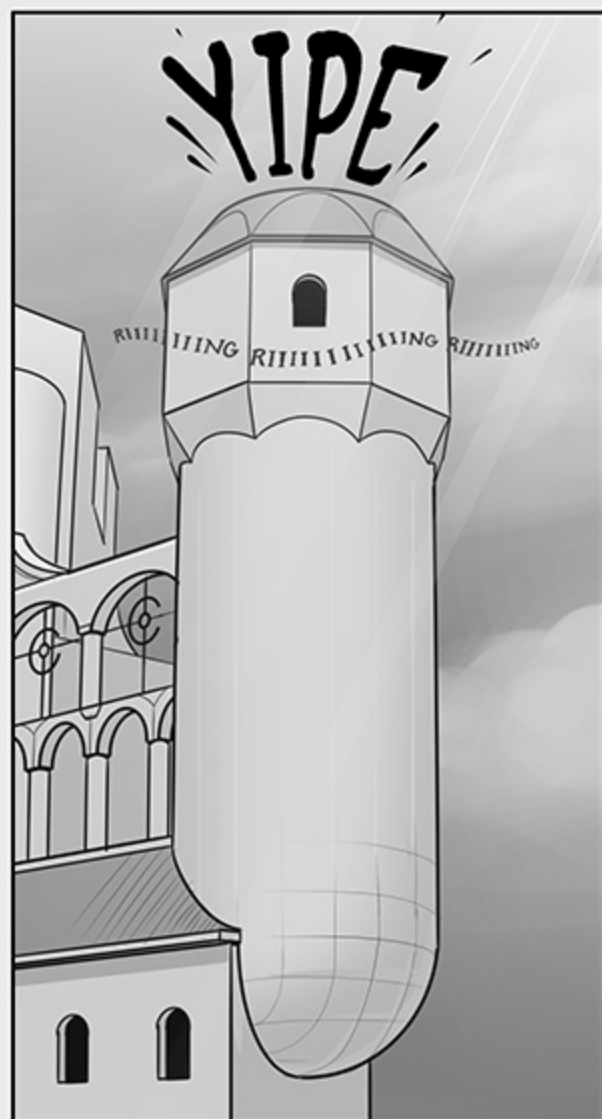
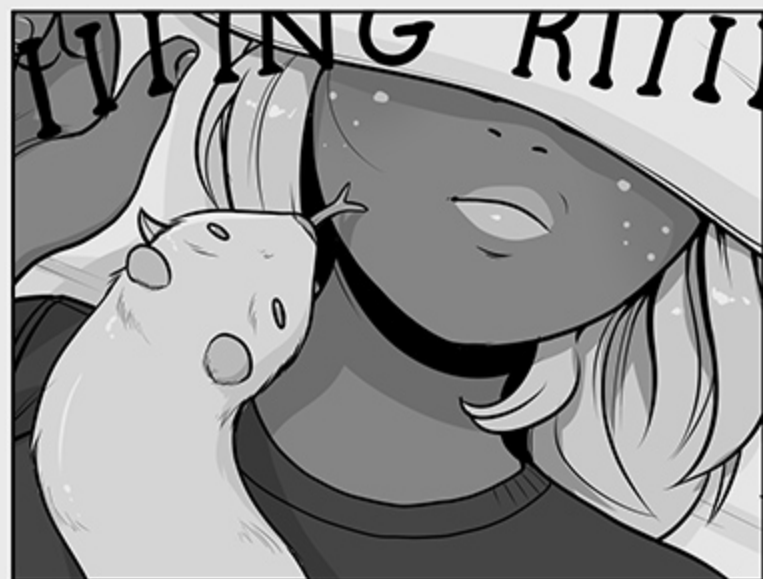
It's the anniversary of Infernal Grace's passing.

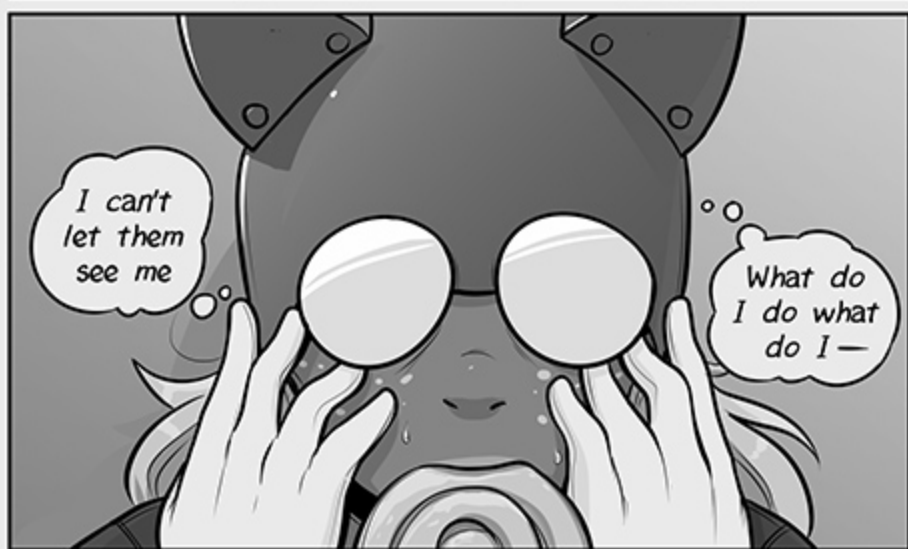
Midsummer is surely paying respects.

Lucky Knight

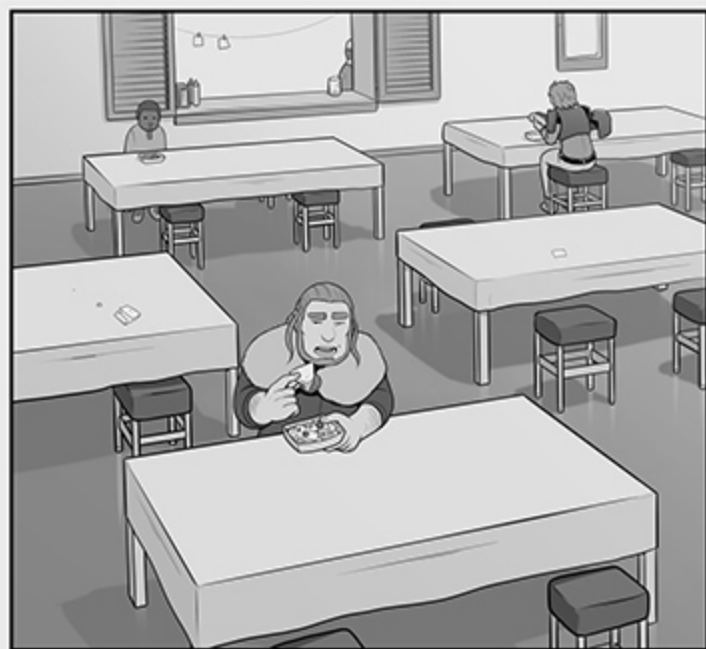


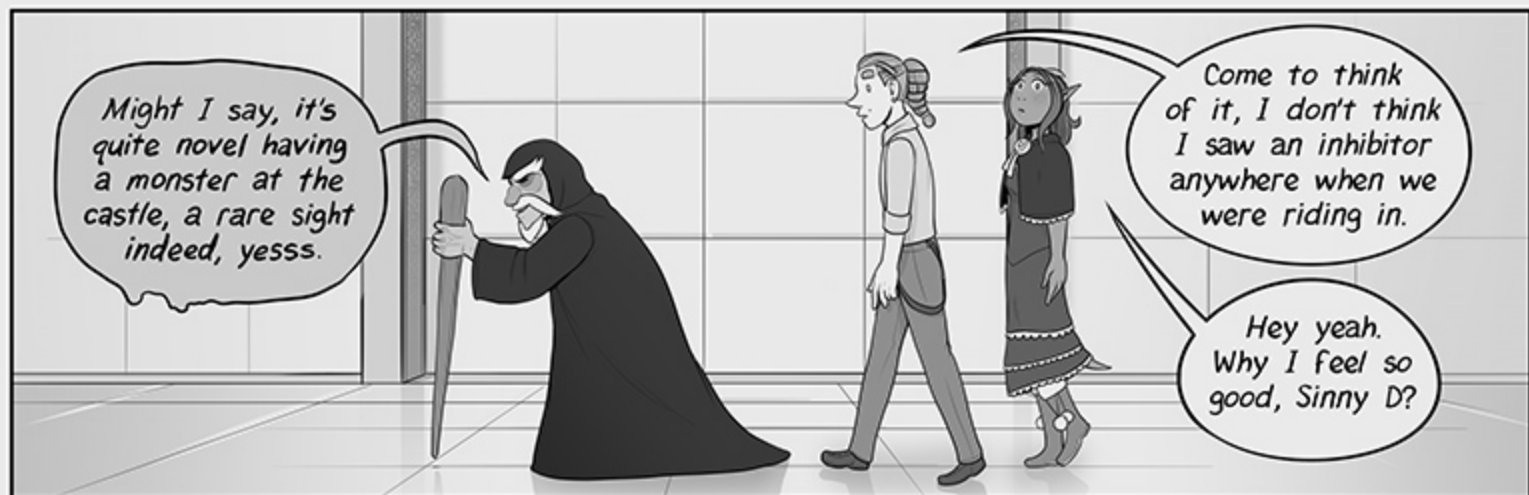












Might I say, it's quite novel having a monster at the castle, a rare sight indeed, yesss.

Come to think of it, I don't think I saw an inhibitor anywhere when we were riding in.

Hey yeah. Why I feel so good, Sinny D?



Nyohoho, the castle hardly has need for such a garish structure.

It houses the 8 Knights of the Core Corps.

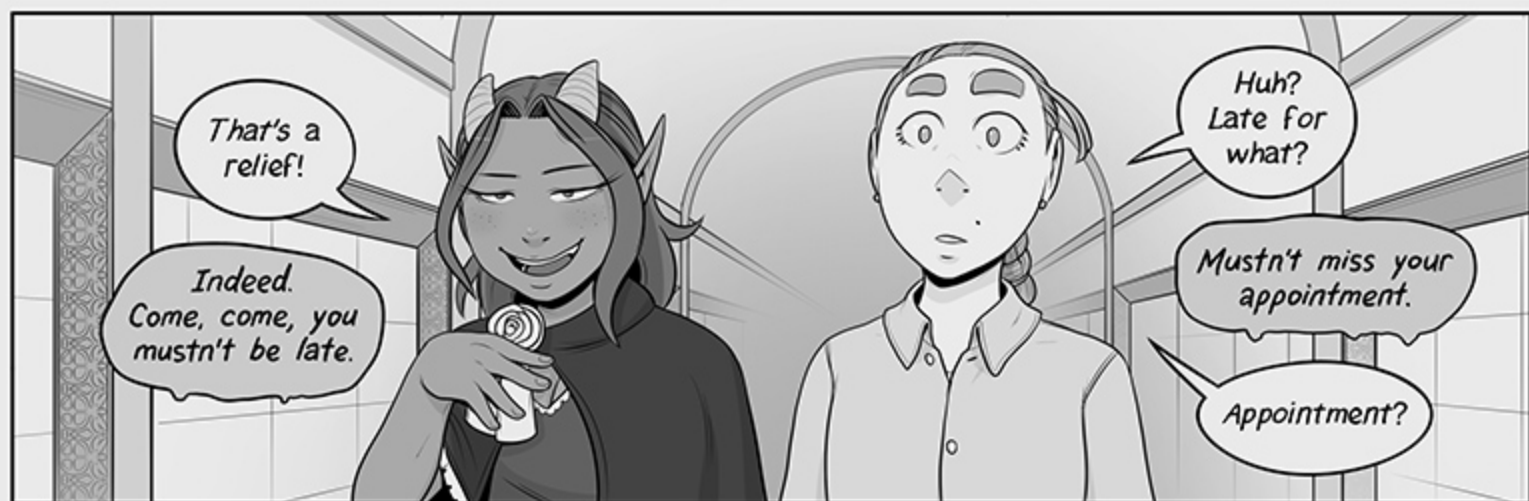
The corker?



If any monster were silly enough to attack the castle,



They'd be dead in an instant.



That's a relief!

Indeed. Come, come, you mustn't be late.

Huh? Late for what?

Mustn't miss your appointment.

Appointment?

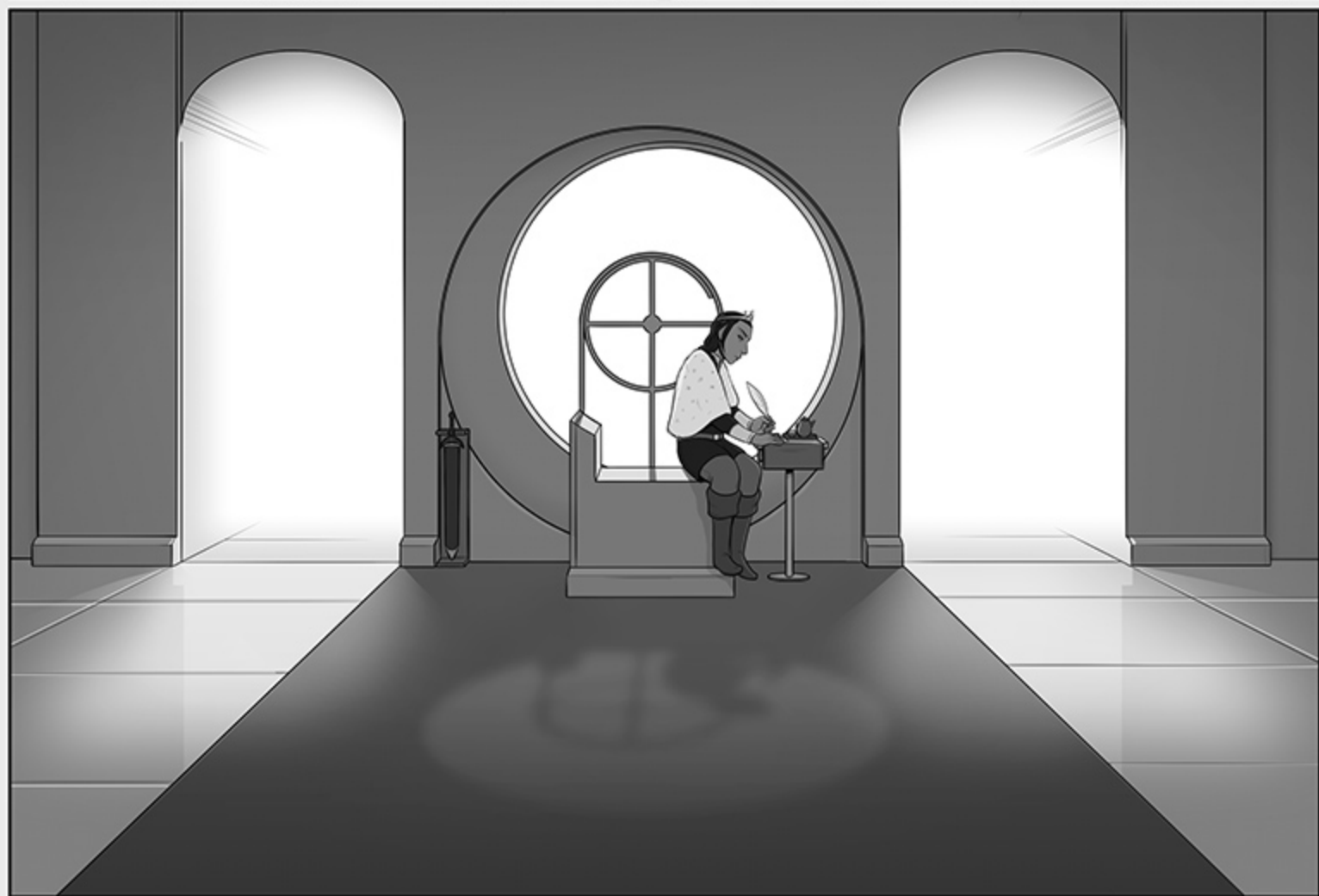


Your audience!

A-audience?

I've always adored the echo in this hall.







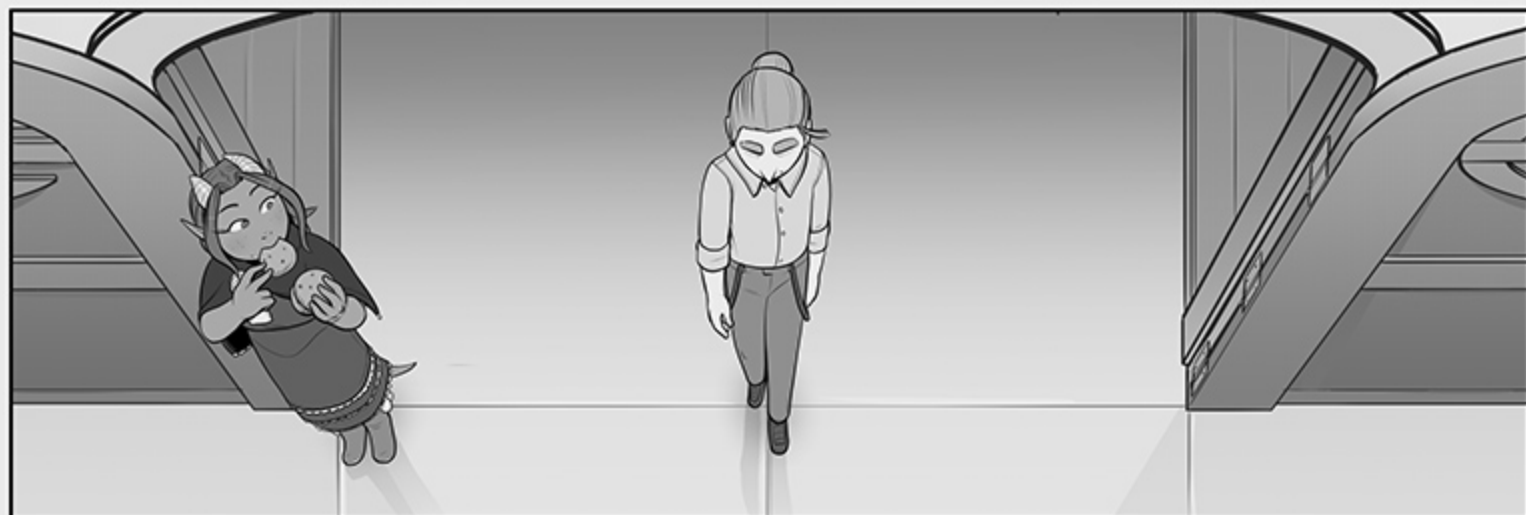




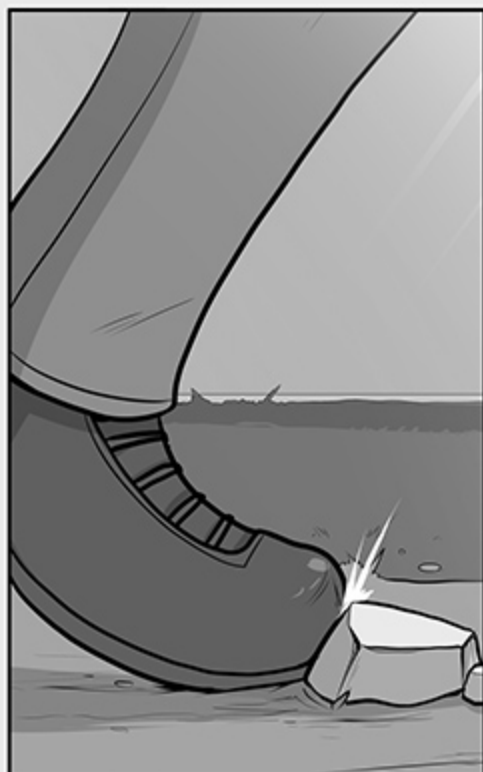


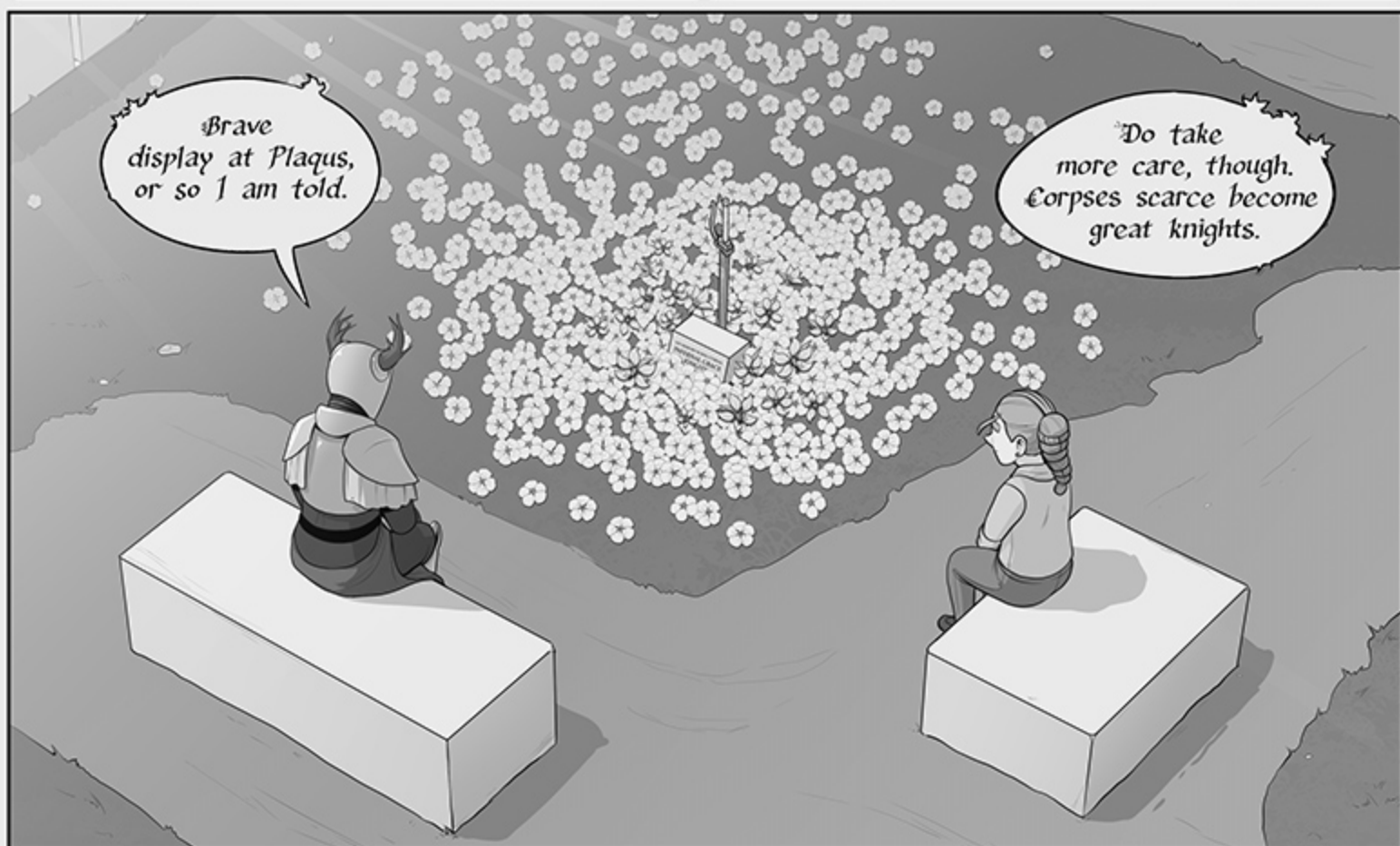
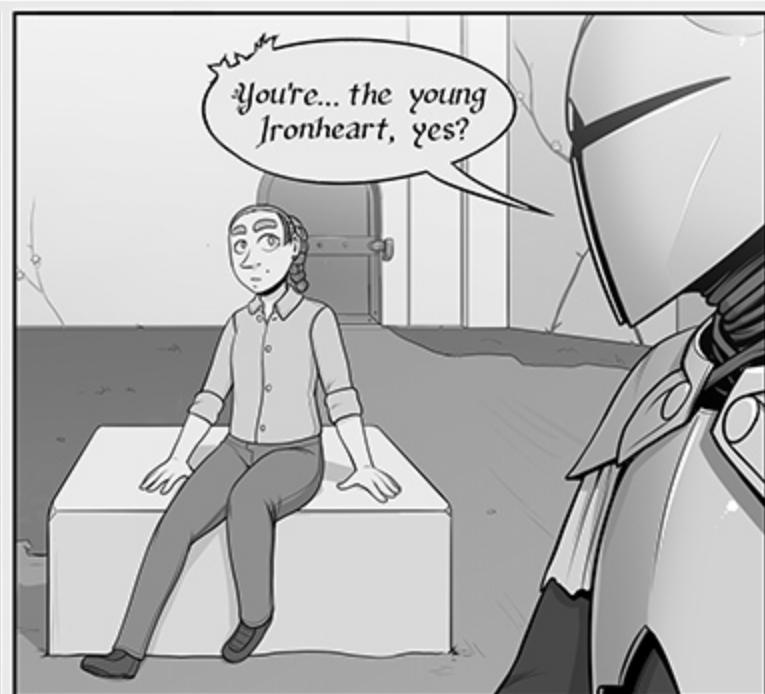
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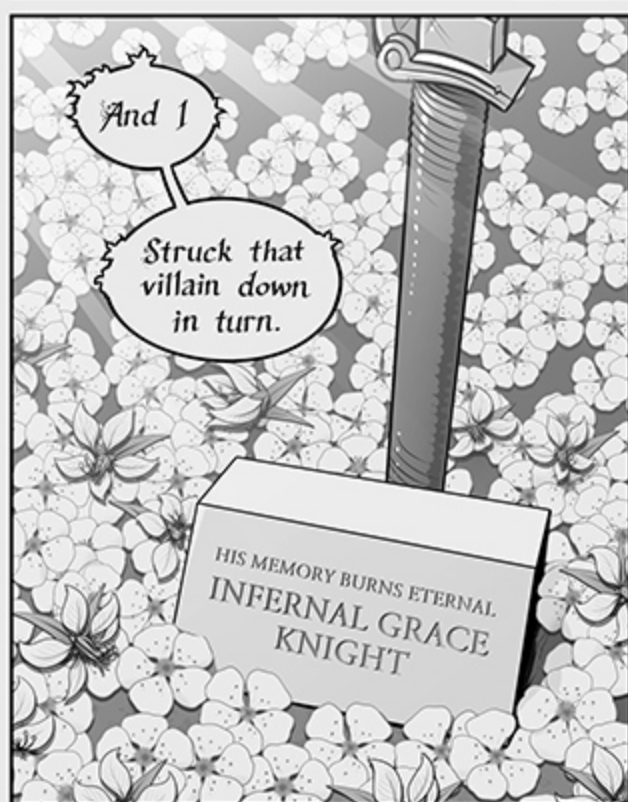
























And Saya...
Saya's kind!

You're acting like they're
remnants of some old evil,
but that's ridiculous.



She's a good
kid who wants
to do good

An Ironheart visits me
and all my meetings become
impassioned soliloquy.

She's her father's
child after all.


And she does!



Not because she has
some ancient power,

Not because she's from
some great bloodline...

Not even for
any big reward.



*She's going
to be great*

*Because she's
Brianne!*

WHO ART THINE TRUE FRIENDS?
HINT: NOT THE ONES WHO
PUTTETH SWORDS IN THEE

Chapter 10 End

Thanks for reading!

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