

DEAD ENDS



WELL, IT WAS A GOOD RUN.

I LEARNED A LOT.

LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE: DON'T DO THIS.

EVER.

SO, YEAH.

THIS IS THE END OF PETER PARKER.

A.K.A.

SPIDEY

AND TO THINK, IT ALL STARTED WITH...

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...A SPIDER BITE.

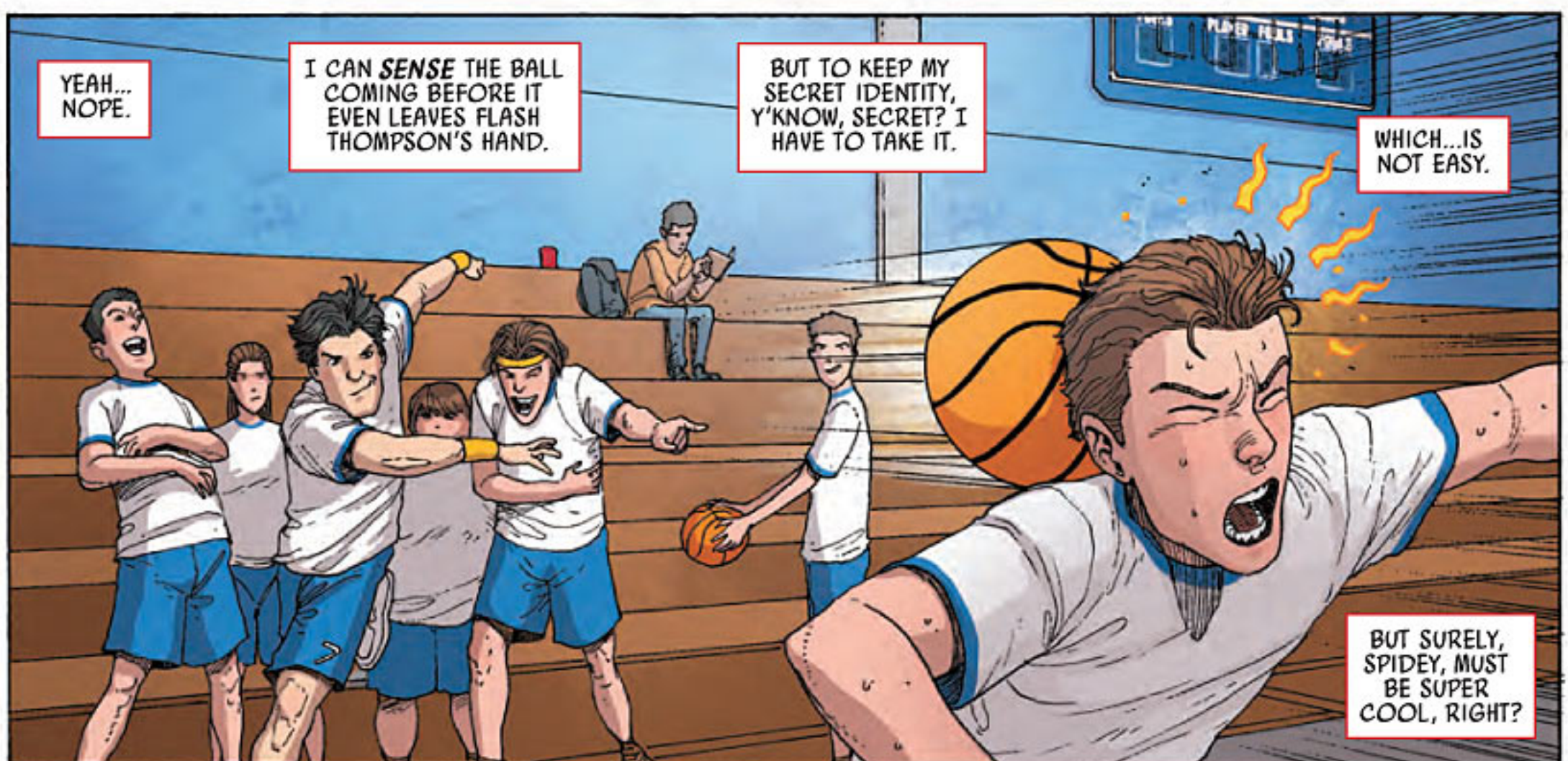
A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, F.Y.I.



THE SPIDER BITE GAVE ME POWERS.

STICK TO WALLS. SUPER STRENGTH. SPIDEY-SENSE. OVERWHELMING CHARMINGNESS. DEVASTATING HANDSOMENESS.*

*AT LEAST ONE OF THOSE IS A LIE. I LEAVE IT TO YOU TO PICK WHICH ONE(S). BE KIND.



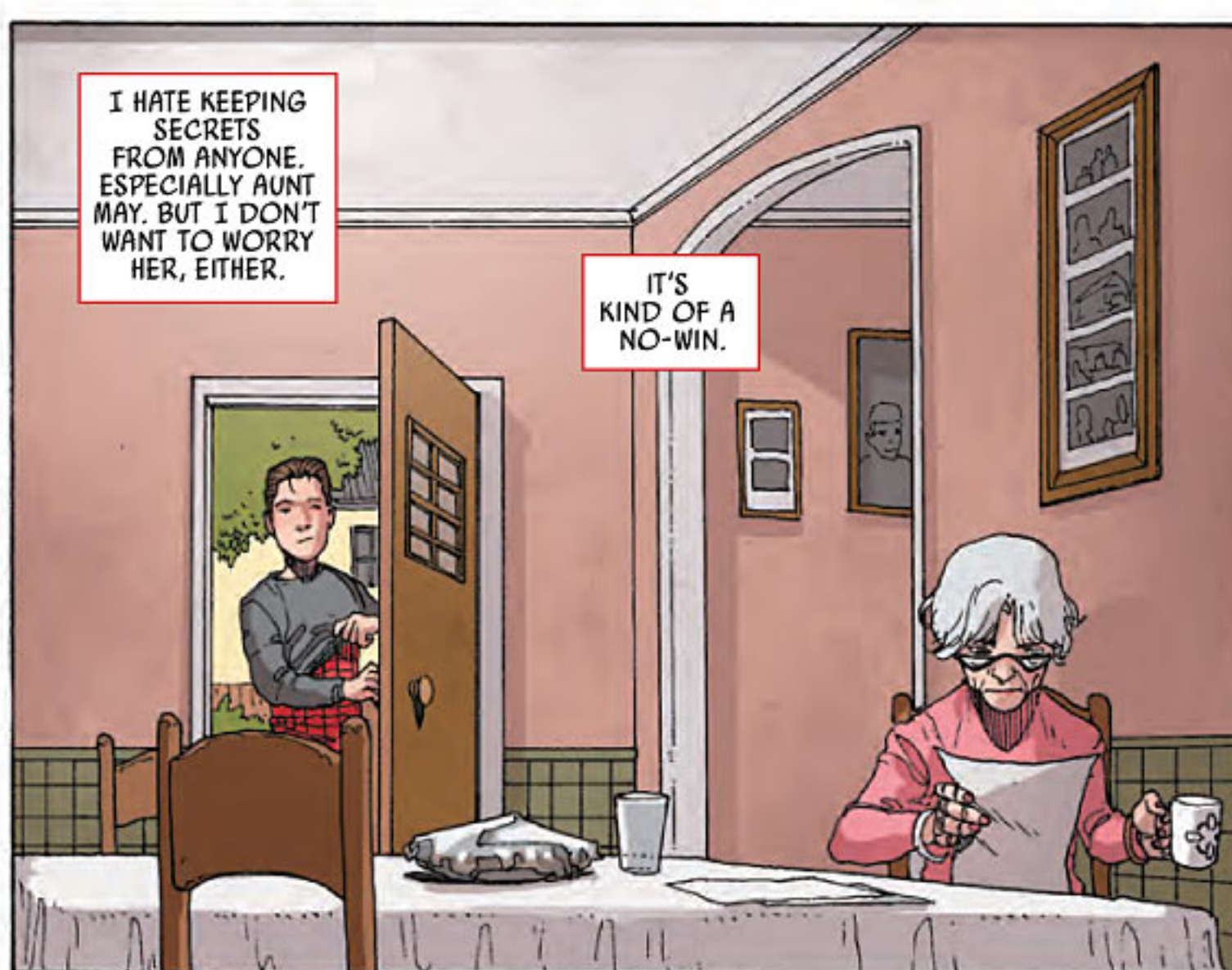
YEAH... NOPE.

I CAN SENSE THE BALL COMING BEFORE IT EVEN LEAVES FLASH THOMPSON'S HAND.

BUT TO KEEP MY SECRET IDENTITY, Y'KNOW, SECRET? I HAVE TO TAKE IT.

WHICH...IS NOT EASY.

BUT SURELY, SPIDEY, MUST BE SUPER COOL, RIGHT?

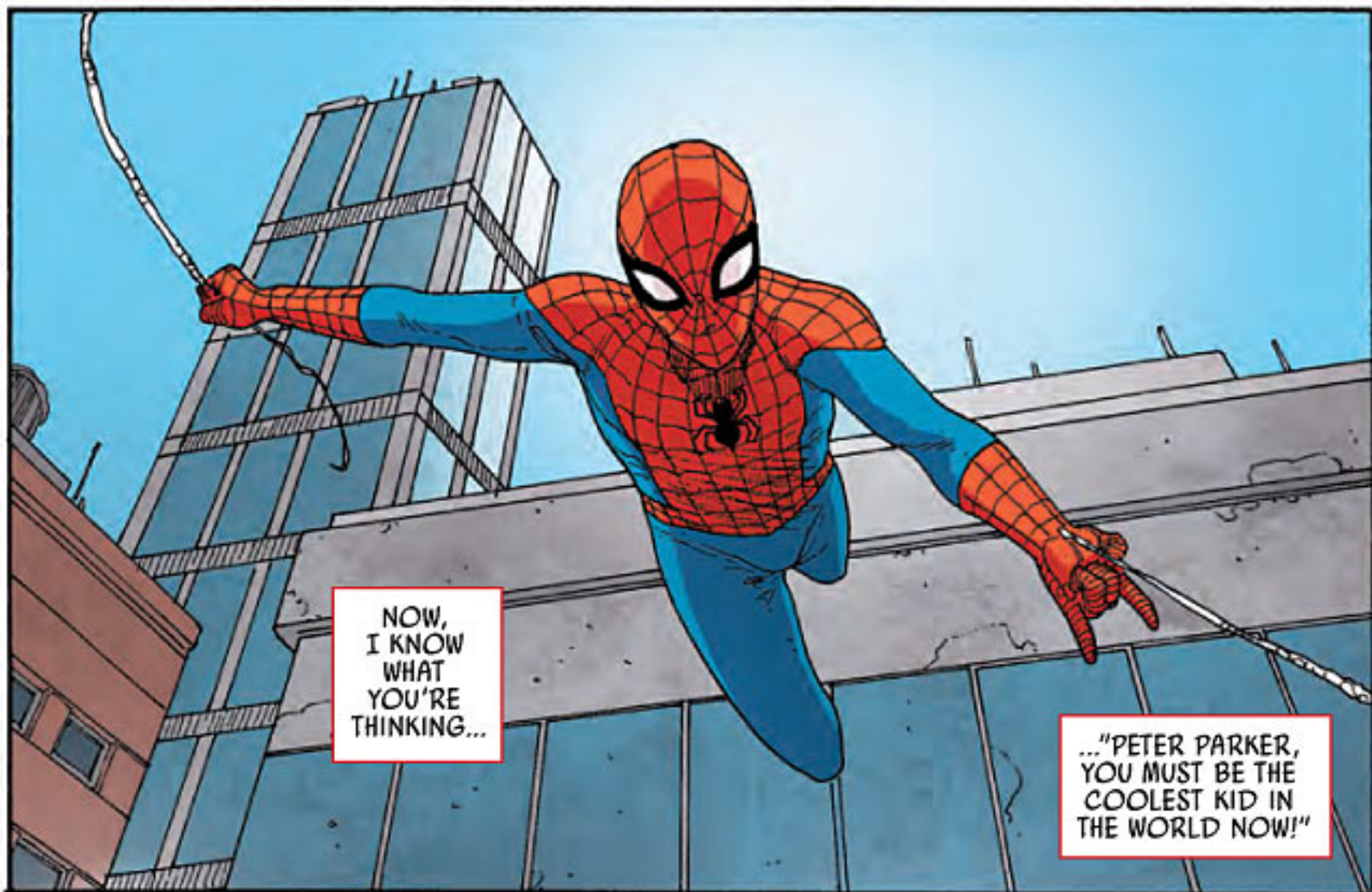


I HATE KEEPING SECRETS FROM ANYONE. ESPECIALLY AUNT MAY. BUT I DON'T WANT TO WORRY HER, EITHER.

IT'S KIND OF A NO-WIN.



FIGHTING CRIME, KEEPING SECRETS... MY LIFE IS A BIG OLD TANGLED MESS...



NOW, I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING...

... "PETER PARKER, YOU MUST BE THE COOLEST KID IN THE WORLD NOW!"



TWO SCOOPS OF NOPE.

GREAT JOB ON THE PICTURES OF THAT MENACE, SPIDER-THUG, PARKER.

NOW, GET OUT OF MY OFFICE UNTIL YOU'VE GOT MORE!



BUT HEY, AT LEAST I KNOW I KEEP THE CITY SAFE FROM DORKS LIKE CRIME-MASTER HERE. THAT COUNTS FOR SOMETHING. RIGHT?



...A TANGLED MESS OF WEBS, ONE MIGHT SAY?

I'LL SEE MYSELF OUT...

AT LEAST I'M ON TRACK FOR VALEDICTORIAN. THANKS TO THE HELP OF MY TUTOR, GWEN STACEY...

...WHO I'M NOW STARTING TO WORRY MIGHT LIKE FLASH THOMPSON. Y'KNOW, LIKE, LIKE LIKE.

SIGH.

PARKER!