



**MANHATTAN,
EMPIRE STATE
UNIVERSITY,
OSBORN HALL,
FIFTH FLOOR,
MORNING.**



MY NAME IS...
UH...IT'S...UH...
HANGOVER JONES...



...I'M EARTH'S STARBOARD...
STARBURN...

...IT'S PLANETARIUM
FENCE MECHANIC...



MUST...
SHOWER...



MORNING,
KEV!

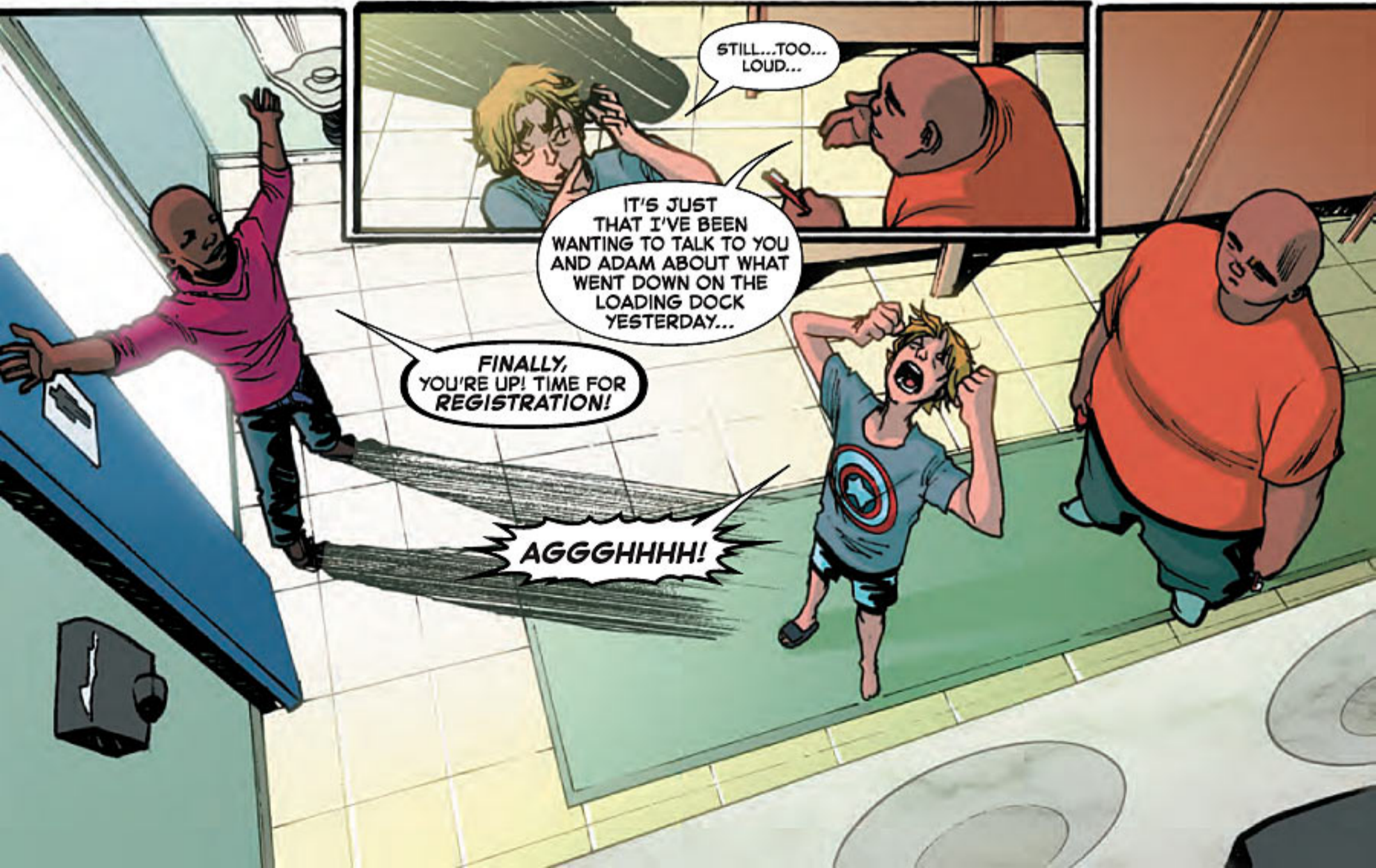
AGGGHHHH!



SHHHHHH, KENNY...DEAD
MAN WALKING HERE.

AND WITH ME,
THAT'S NOT JUST AN
EXPRESSION.

RIGHT,
RIGHT. GUESS
WE PARTIED PRETTY
HARD LAST NIGHT.



STILL...TOO...
LOUD...

IT'S JUST
THAT I'VE BEEN
WANTING TO TALK TO YOU
AND ADAM ABOUT WHAT
WENT DOWN ON THE
LOADING DOCK
YESTERDAY...

FINALLY,
YOU'RE UP! TIME FOR
REGISTRATION!

AGGGHHHH!

SOON...



I KNOW YOU KNOW WE COULD DO THIS ONLINE.

NOT IF WE WANT TO MAXIMIZE YOUR INTERACTION WITH OTHER HUMAN BEINGS.

MY INTER-- C'MON, ADAM! NEXT, YOU'LL WANT ME TO STAND IN LINE AT THE D.M.V.

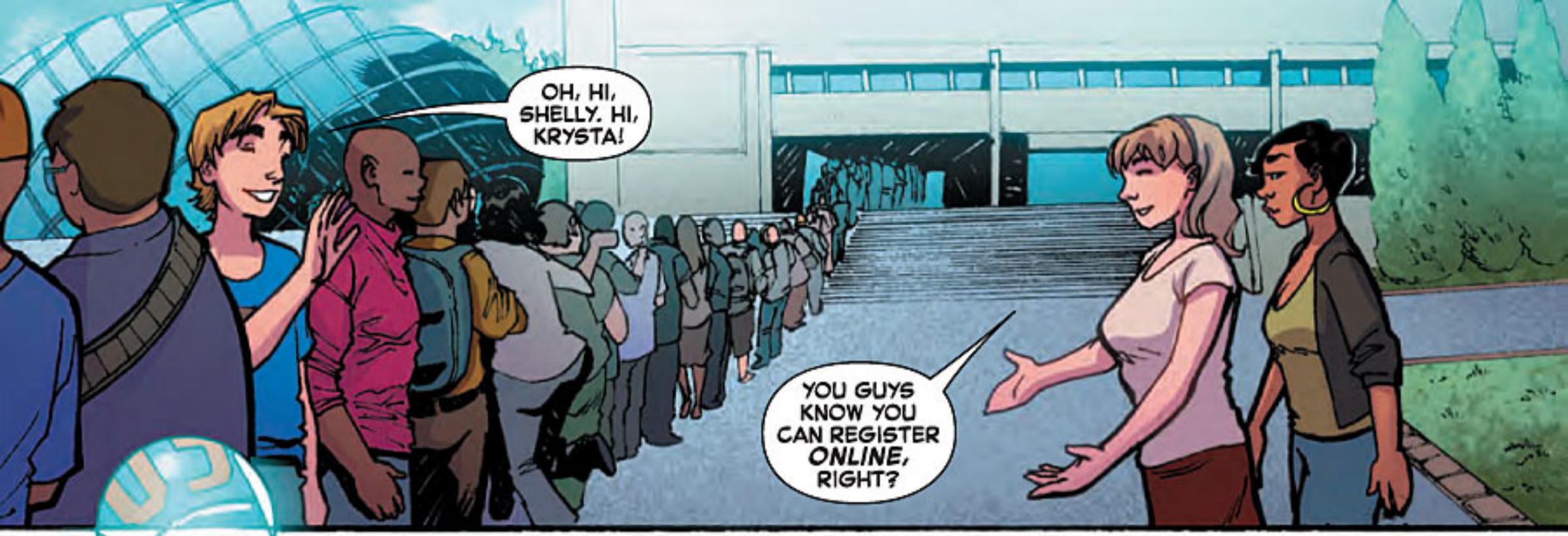
AND I CAN FLY!

ADAM! KEVIN!

ETERNITY'S CHILDREN

[ATTEND UNIVERSITY]

CHAPTER FIVE: REGISTRATION



OH, HI, SHELLY. HI, KRYSTA!

YOU GUYS KNOW YOU CAN REGISTER ONLINE, RIGHT?



NO KIDDING. REALLY?



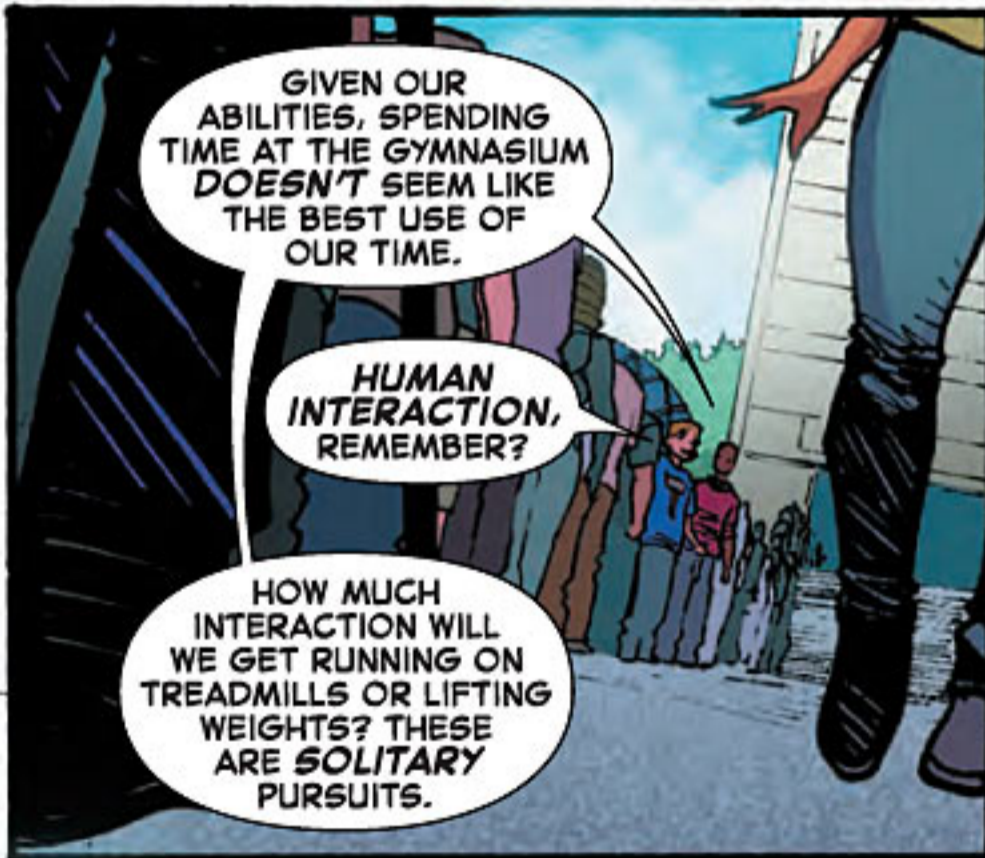
AFTER LUNCH, WE'RE GOING TO CHECK OUT THE GYM.

WANT TO JOIN US?



ABSOLUTELY!

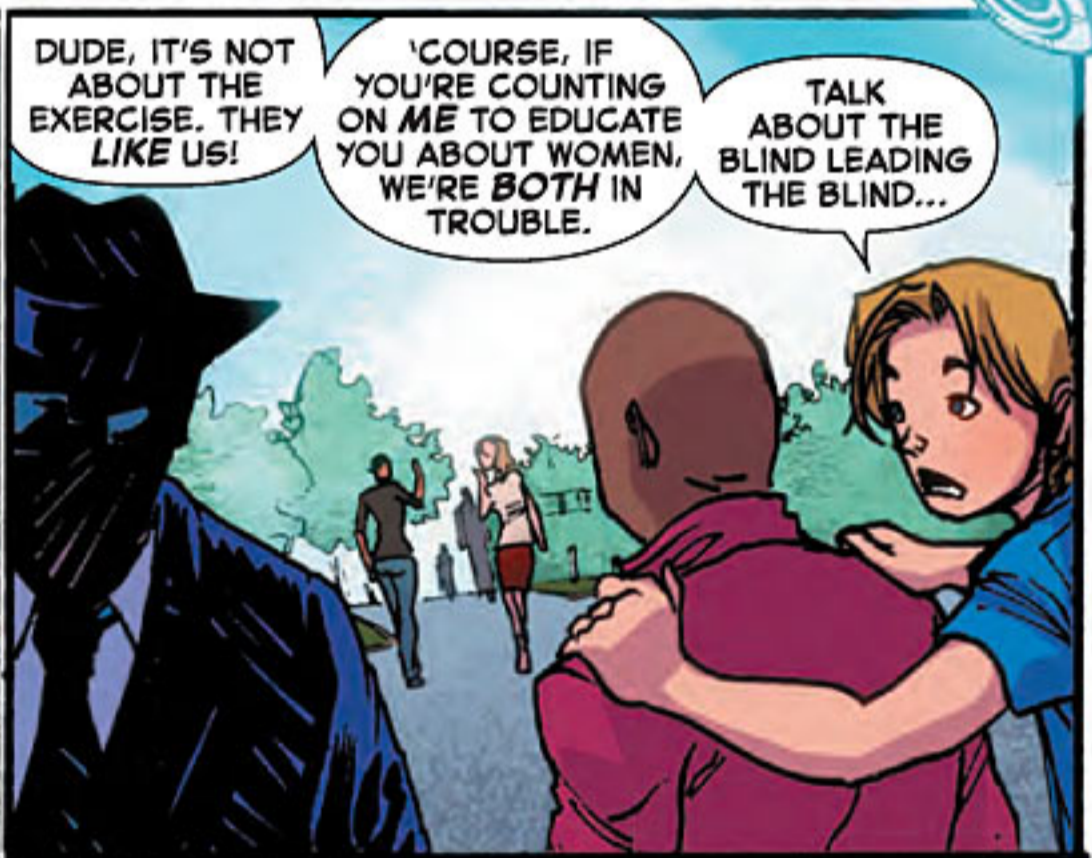
GREAT! SEE YOU THERE!



GIVEN OUR ABILITIES, SPENDING TIME AT THE GYMNASIUM DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THE BEST USE OF OUR TIME.

HUMAN INTERACTION, REMEMBER?

HOW MUCH INTERACTION WILL WE GET RUNNING ON TREADMILLS OR LIFTING WEIGHTS? THESE ARE SOLITARY PURSUITS.



DUDE, IT'S NOT ABOUT THE EXERCISE. THEY LIKE US!

'COURSE, IF YOU'RE COUNTING ON ME TO EDUCATE YOU ABOUT WOMEN, WE'RE BOTH IN TROUBLE.

TALK ABOUT THE BLIND LEADING THE BLIND...



...UH, NO OFFENSE.



WHY WOULD I BE OFFENDED?



NOT YOU, I...~~SIGH~~ NEVER MIND.



SO MANY QUESTIONS REMAIN...

ETERNITY'S CHILDREN SOUGHT THE DEATH OF STARBRAND...

...BUT THEIR MOTIVATIONS REMAIN OBSCURE.

I WAS TOLD STARBRAND MUST DIE SO THAT THE EARTH COULD DIE SO THAT THE UNIVERSE WOULD DIE...

...YET THE UNIVERSE WON'T END FOR BILLIONS OF YEARS. SO WHY ATTACK STARBRAND OR EARTH NOW?

AND WHO WAS THE STRANGE ENTITY--THE BLIND MAN--WHO ACTED AS THEIR SPOKESPERSON?