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Runaways

When they were younger, Nico Minoru, Chase Stein, Gertrude Yorkes, Karolina Dean, Molly Hayes and Alex Wilder became friends through circumstance: hanging out once a year while their parents had what they claimed was a dinner party. After discovering their parents were actually the super villain team known as the Pride, the kids ran. The Runaways learned to use powers and resources inherited from their parents, and returned to defeat them. The experience made them a family, but that wasn't enough to keep them safe.

Everyone is settling into their old hideout—the underground mansion the Runaways call the Hostel—but there's no denying all that's changed while they were apart. Karolina's fitting in like she never left—her friendship with Nico hasn't missed a beat—but she's struggling to give equal attention to her classes and girlfriend. And while Nico's stepping into team leader/matriarch duties, she's concealing how painful her relationship with the Staff of One has become. Victor's happy being just a head, which might be its own problem? At least Molly is happy and healthy where she is—middle school, with Abigail, who wants to be best friends forever.



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Being able to fly faster than the speed of sound makes a long-distance relationship slightly more bearable.

At least, it had. Before she got a warning from the Federal Aviation Administration.

Now Julie Power flies coach.

It's worth it. (Anything would be worth it.) To see her favorite person in the whole world after two long, lonely months.

Any minute now, and they'll be together.

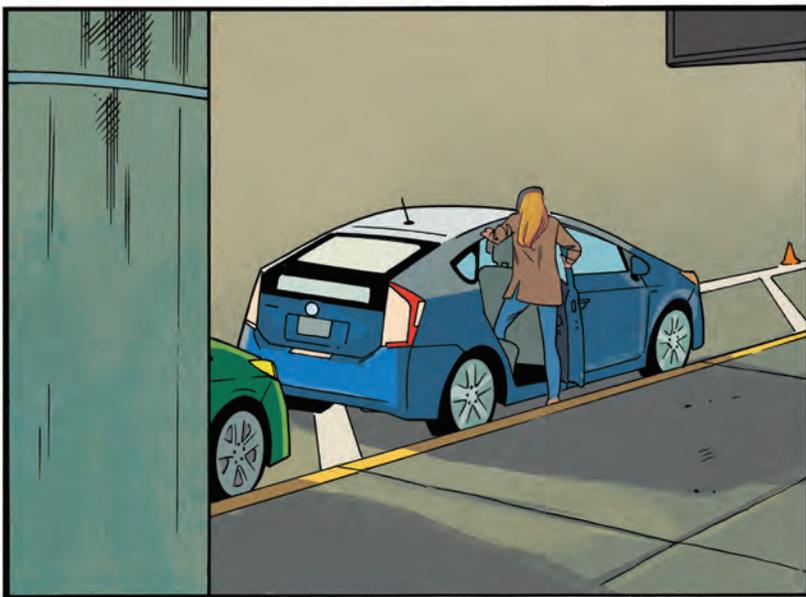
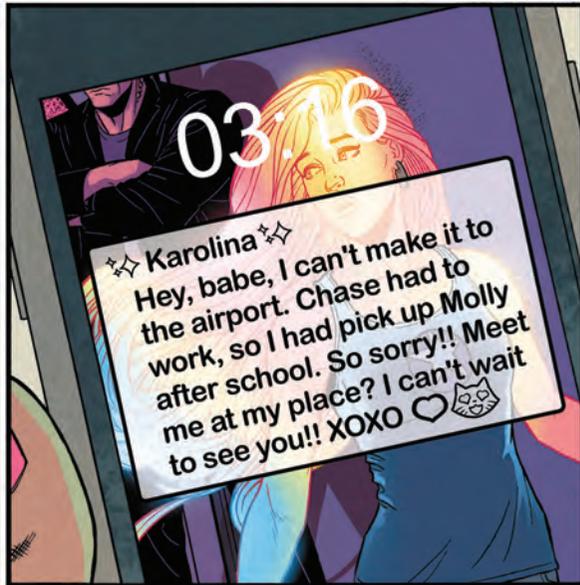
Julie's gonna break into lightspeed as soon as she sees Karolina. She's gonna hold her so tight.



All the months and all the miles will just disappear.



Any second...





I don't believe you.

I believed you when you told me you could lift up a car!

Yeah, but I lifted up a car to prove it!

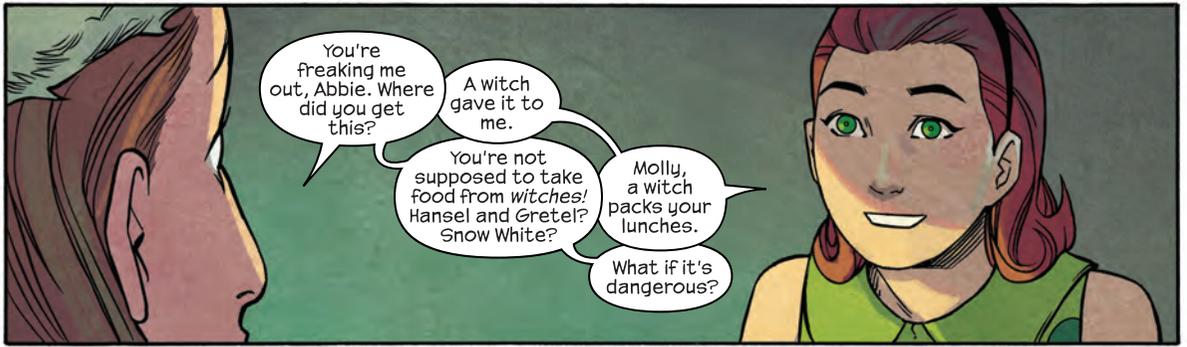
I shouldn't have to prove it. We're best friends. No lies. No secrets.

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You're freaking me out, Abbie. Where did you get this?

A witch gave it to me.

You're not supposed to take food from *witches!* Hansel and Gretel? Snow White?

Molly, a witch packs your lunches.

What if it's dangerous?



Growing up is dangerous!

Getting old is dangerous.

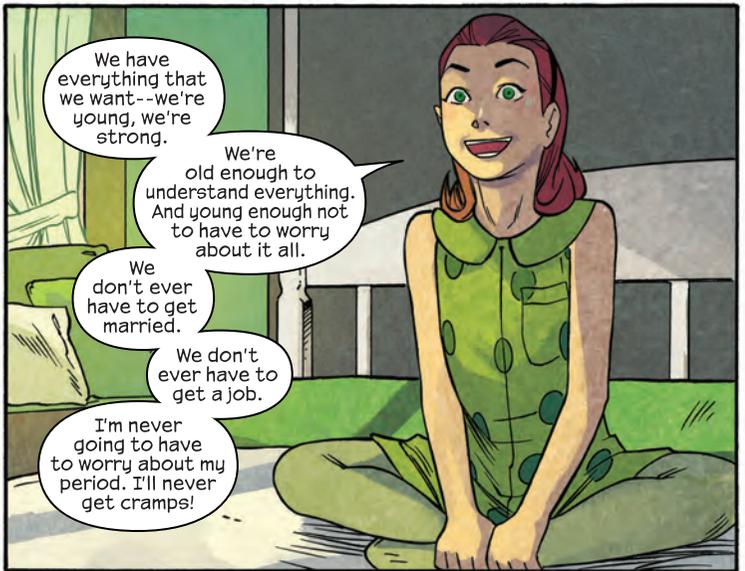
Life doesn't get any safer than where we are right now...

Thirteen.



I feel like most people hate being thirteen...

Most people are idiots!



We have everything that we want--we're young, we're strong.

We're old enough to understand everything. And young enough not to have to worry about it all.

We don't ever have to get married.

We don't ever have to get a job.

I'm never going to have to worry about my period. I'll never get cramps!



We can be kids forever, Molly. We can be *girls*.

