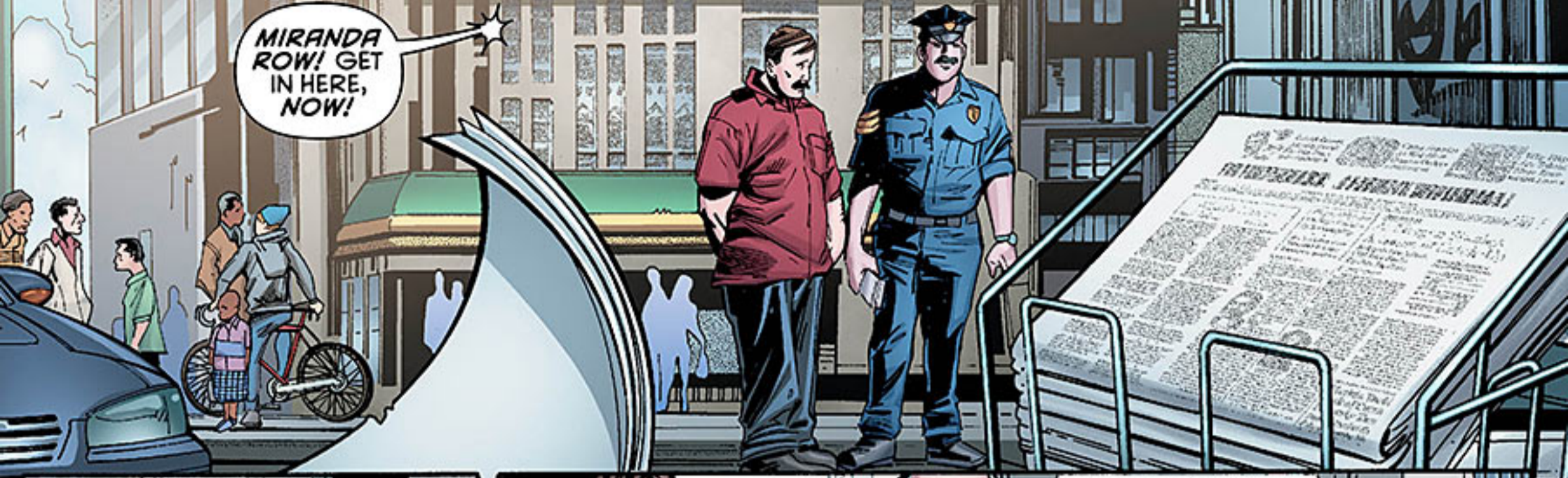
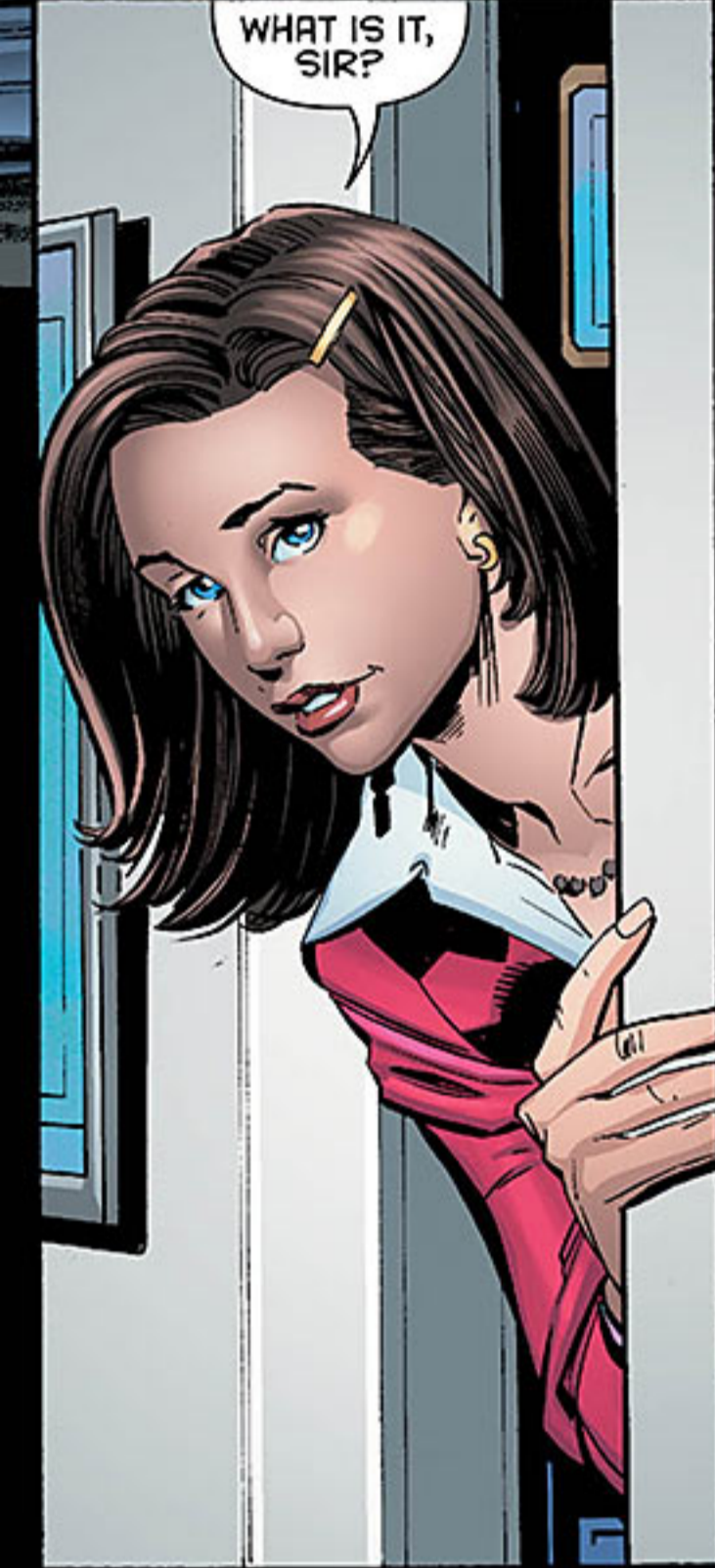


GOTHAM GLOBAL MODERN BANK. YEARS AGO.

MIRANDA
ROW! GET
IN HERE,
NOW!



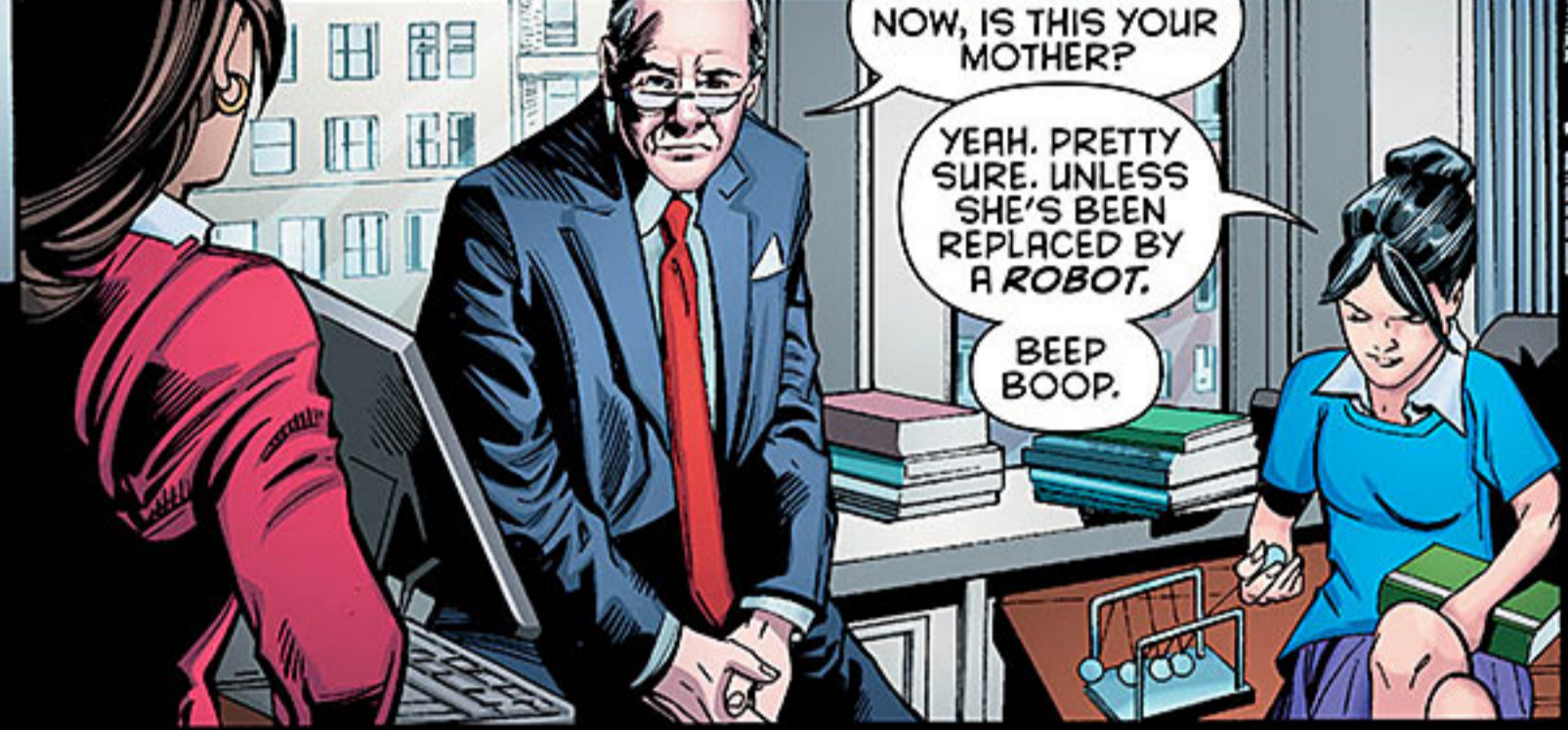
WHAT IS IT,
SIR?



NOW, IS THIS YOUR
MOTHER?

YEAH. PRETTY
SURE. UNLESS
SHE'S BEEN
REPLACED BY
A ROBOT.

BEEP
BOOP.



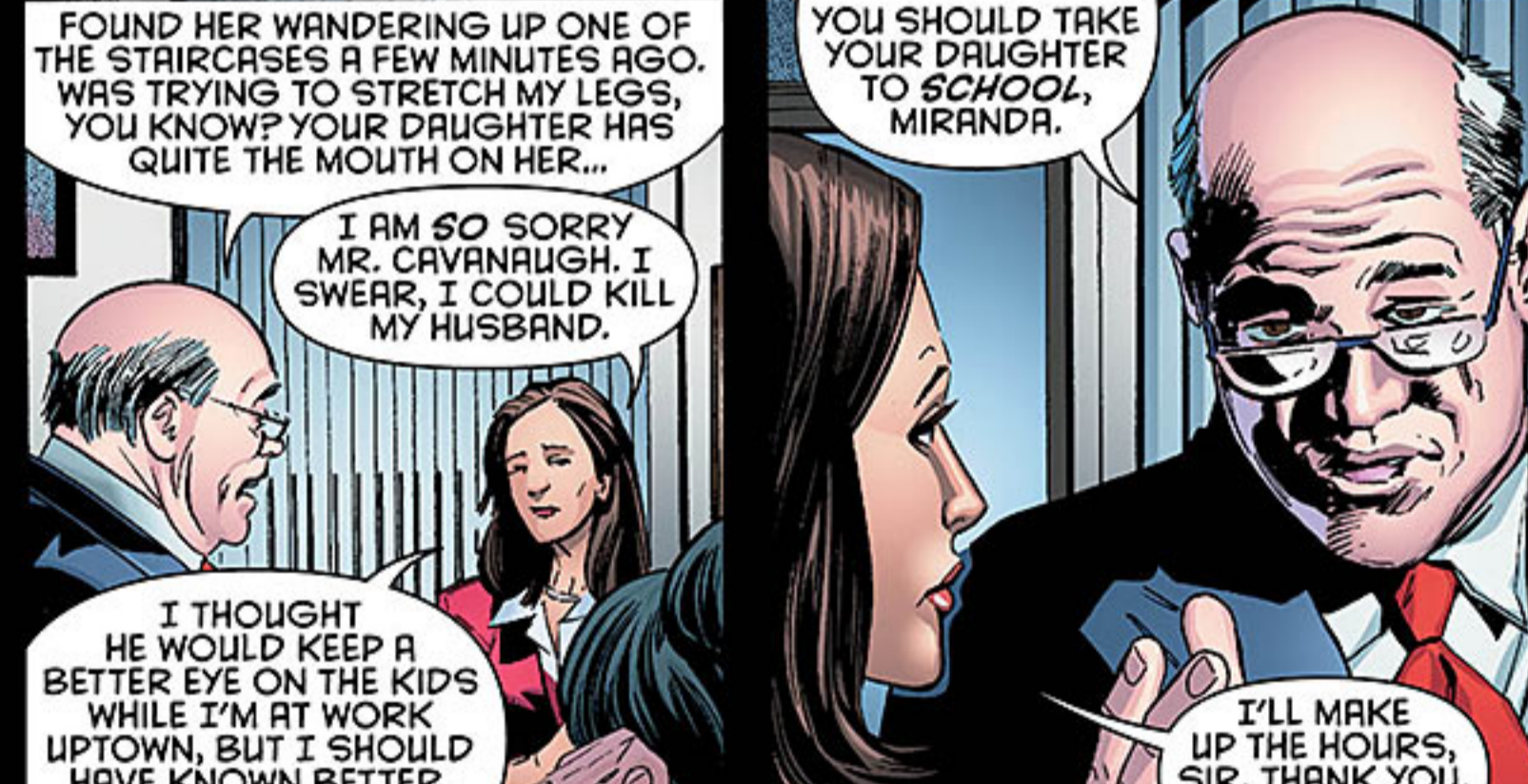
FOUND HER WANDERING UP ONE OF
THE STAIRCASES A FEW MINUTES AGO.
WAS TRYING TO STRETCH MY LEGS,
YOU KNOW? YOUR DAUGHTER HAS
QUITE THE MOUTH ON HER...

I AM SO SORRY
MR. CAVANAUGH. I
SWEAR, I COULD KILL
MY HUSBAND.

YOU SHOULD TAKE
YOUR DAUGHTER
TO SCHOOL,
MIRANDA.

I THOUGHT
HE WOULD KEEP A
BETTER EYE ON THE KIDS
WHILE I'M AT WORK
UPTOWN, BUT I SHOULD
HAVE KNOWN BETTER.

I'LL MAKE
UP THE HOURS,
SIR. THANK YOU.



HE WAS *SMOKING* IN
THE STAIRCASE. I DON'T
THINK HE'S SUPPOSED
TO BE DOING THAT.
THERE WAS A SIGN AND
EVERYTHING. YOU
SHOULD CALL THE
POLICE.

HARPER...
PLEASE.

WHERE'S YOUR
BROTHER?



WATCHING POWER RANGERS. I GAVE HIM A
WHOLE BOX OF CEREAL SO HE WOULDN'T
STARVE TO DEATH.

WELL,
THAT'S A
RELIEF.



DO YOU WANNA SEE WHAT WE'RE BUILDING IN SCIENCE CLASS? MY TEACHER SAYS MY VOLCANO IS BETTER THAN ANY OF THE OTHER KIDS. I FIGURED OUT HOW TO MAKE IT *TWICE* AS BIG. IT'S GOING TO BE SO MESSY AND AWESOME.

I'LL COME IF I GET TO BLOW IT UP.

NO! THAT'S MY JOB. THAT'S MY FAVORITE PART, MOM.

WE'RE DOING IT NEXT THURSDAY AT ASSEMBLY.

I'M SORRY, HONEY, BUT I'M NOT SURE I CAN TAKE OFF WORK.

OH...

...
MOM... DO YOU STILL LOVE US?

WHAT? OH GOD, HONEY...

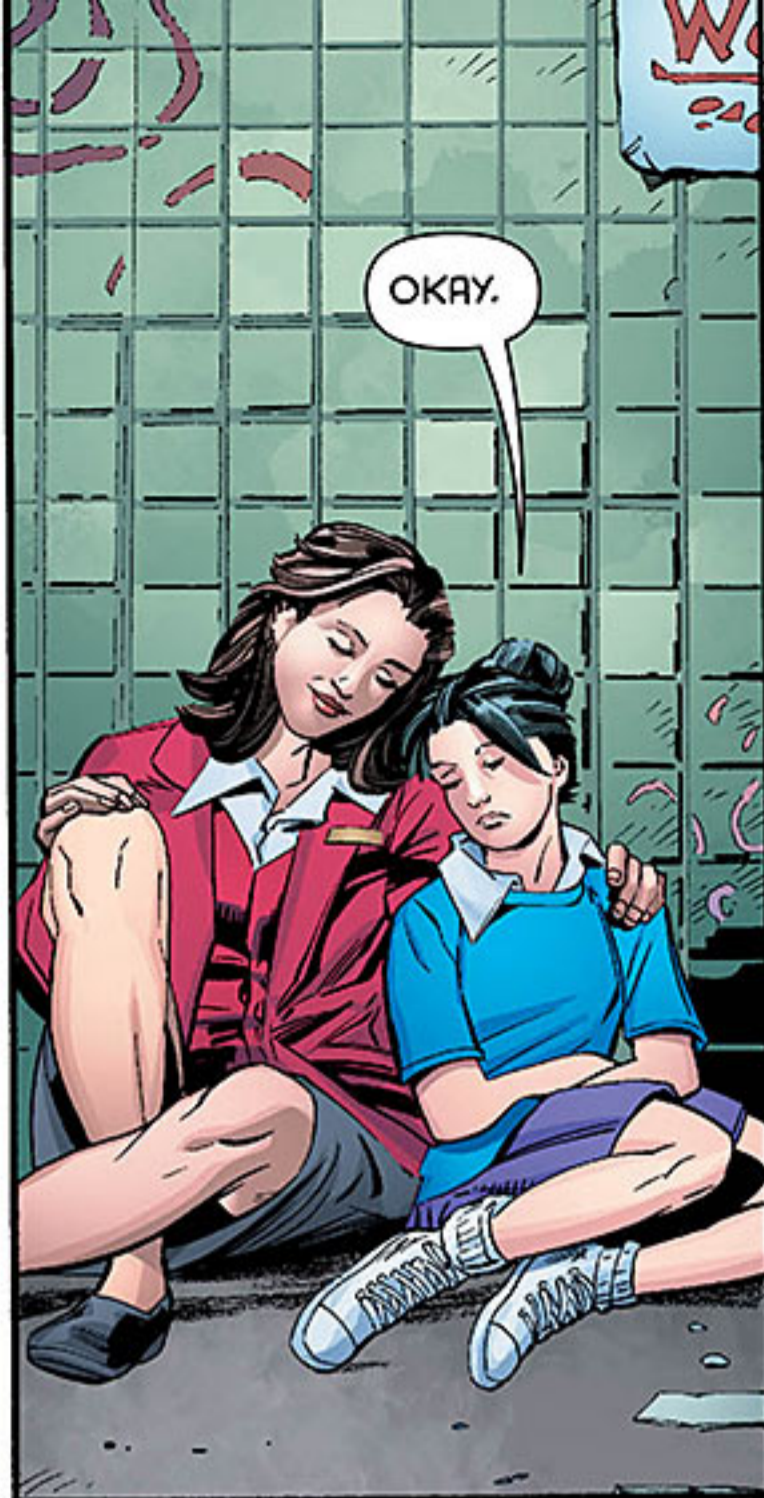
I LOVE YOU MORE THAN ANYTHING. ANYTHING IN THE WORLD. WHY WOULD YOU SAY THAT?

WE DON'T SEE YOU ALL THAT MUCH, NOT SINCE YOU AND DAD HAD THAT BIG FIGHT...

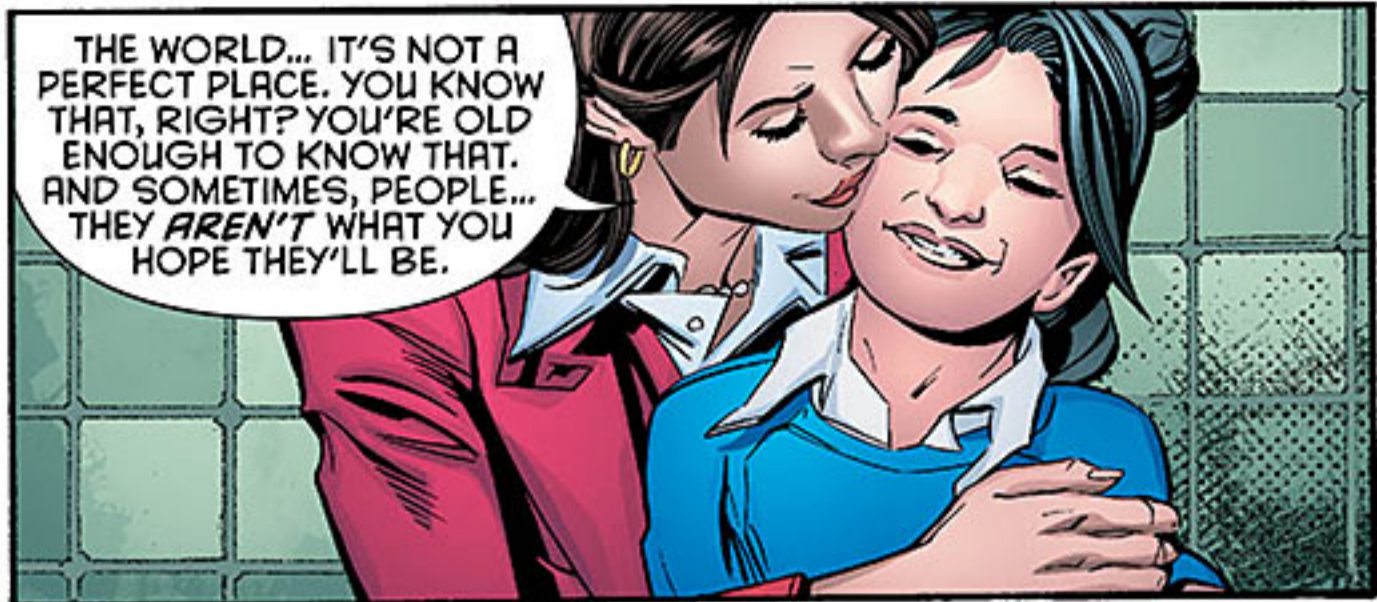
HERE, SIT DOWN.

MOM! IT'S GROSS!

OH PLEASE, I'VE SEEN YOU GROSSER.



OKAY.



THE WORLD... IT'S NOT A PERFECT PLACE. YOU KNOW THAT, RIGHT? YOU'RE OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT. AND SOMETIMES, PEOPLE... THEY *AREN'T* WHAT YOU HOPE THEY'LL BE.



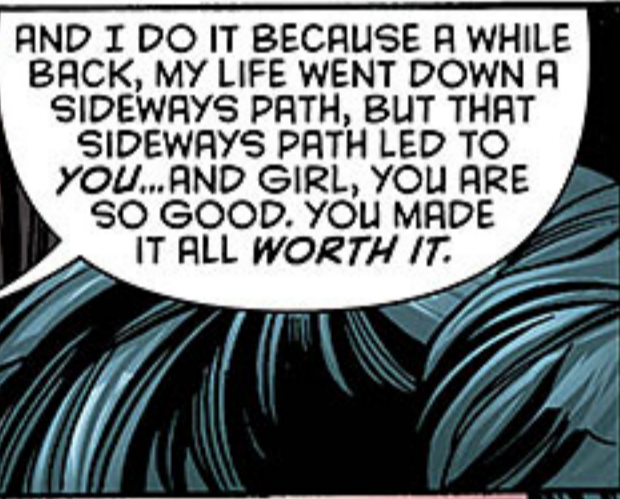
YOU CAN TRY AND CHANGE THEM... BUT IT'S HARD. PEOPLE GROW UP AND THE BAD HABITS STICK. AND YOU CAN *LOVE* SOMEBODY SO MUCH, BUT JUST SEE THEM MAKE MISTAKE AFTER MISTAKE...



AT THEIR CORE, PEOPLE ARE WHAT THEY ARE. THE HARDER YOU TRY TO PUSH THEM AGAINST IT, THE MORE EASILY THEY'LL *BREAK*. AND THE MORE YOU PUT INTO IT, THE EASIER YOU BREAK AS WELL.



WHAT MATTERS IS I WORK AT THE BANK EVERY DAY, AND THEN I GO TO A DINER IN BURNSIDE AND WORK ALL NIGHT THERE.



AND I DO IT BECAUSE A WHILE BACK, MY LIFE WENT DOWN A SIDWAYS PATH, BUT THAT SIDWAYS PATH LED TO YOU... AND GIRL, YOU ARE SO GOOD. YOU MADE IT ALL WORTH IT.



YOU AND CULLEN, YOU GUYS CAN BE *ANYTHING* YOU WANT TO BE IN THIS LIFE.



SOMETIMES THAT MEANS I WON'T BE THERE TO HOLD YOUR HAND, BUT I'LL *ALWAYS* BE WITH YOU, OKAY?



OKAY.

**THE ARCTIC CIRCLE.
NOW.**

OKAY...

HARPER...
DON'T DO
THIS...WE'VE
ALREADY
WON.



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YOU HAVEN'T WON ANYTHING, RICHARD. MY SOMNUS SATELLITES ARE REPOSITIONING THEMSELVES RIGHT THIS MINUTE. IN NO TIME AT ALL THEY WILL UNLEASH ICTHYS ON TWELVE MORE CITIES. HOW LONG DO YOUR LITTLE FRIENDS THINK THEY CAN KEEP FIGHTING?

AND SCARECROW... I IMAGINE YOU'VE USED ALL OF OUR DEAR MISTER CRANE'S LITTLE FEAR GAS SUPPLIES. DO YOU EVEN HAVE THE RESOURCES TO KEEP DOSING THE WORLD OVER AND OVER?

IT MAY COME MESSILY, BUT MY NEW WORLD BEGINS TONIGHT.

AND HARPER WILL BE JOINING ME, ISN'T THAT RIGHT, GIRL?

