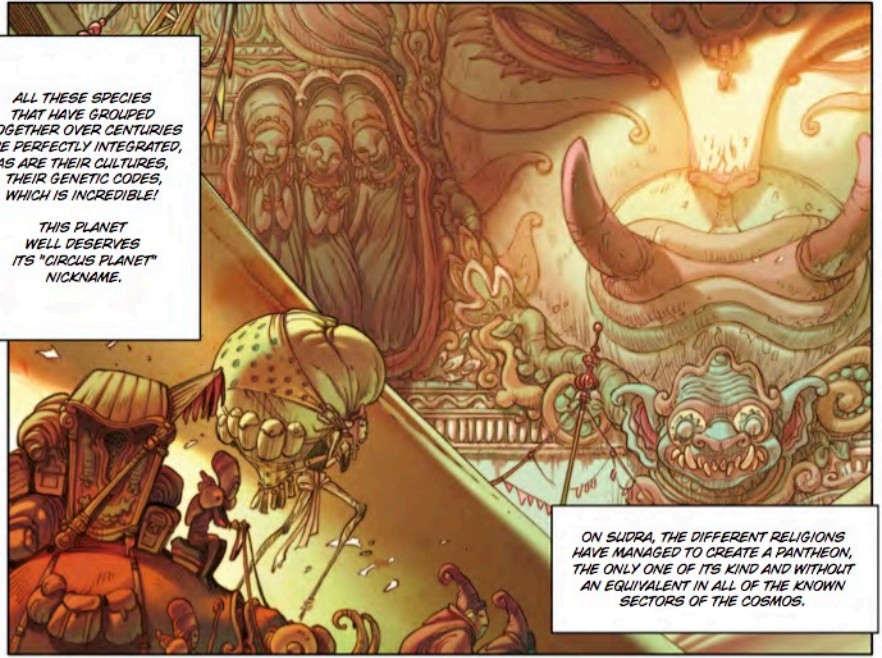


IT'S ALREADY BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE LANDED ON THE PLANET SUDRA... EVEN THOUGH IT SEEMS LIKE IT WAS ONLY YESTERDAY... ONE THING'S FOR SURE -- A WHOLE LIFETIME WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH TO UNDERSTAND THE MARVELLOUS COMPLEXITY OF THIS PLACE.



ALL THESE SPECIES  
THAT HAVE GROUPED  
TOGETHER OVER CENTURIES  
ARE PERFECTLY INTEGRATED,  
AS ARE THEIR CULTURES,  
THEIR GENETIC CODES,  
WHICH IS INCREDIBLE!

THIS PLANET  
WELL DESERVES  
ITS "CIRCUS PLANET"  
NICKNAME.



ON SUDRA, THE DIFFERENT RELIGIONS  
HAVE MANAGED TO CREATE A PANTHEON,  
THE ONLY ONE OF ITS KIND AND WITHOUT  
AN EQUIVALENT IN ALL OF THE KNOWN  
SECTORS OF THE COSMOS.



IT'S AN IMPENETRABLE  
JUNGLE THAT I TRY  
EVERY DAY, IN VAIN,  
TO EXPLORE.

THOUSANDS OF  
ANCIENT AND NEW  
DIVINITIES EXIST  
SIDE-BY-SIDE, EACH  
ONE AMONG THEM  
POSSESSES DOZENS,  
MAYBE EVEN HUNDREDS  
OF VARIOUS NAMES  
AND INTERPRETATIONS.  
  
UNDER THEIR STONY  
EYES, THE CITY IS  
RUMBLING, NOISY,  
AND CHAOTIC...



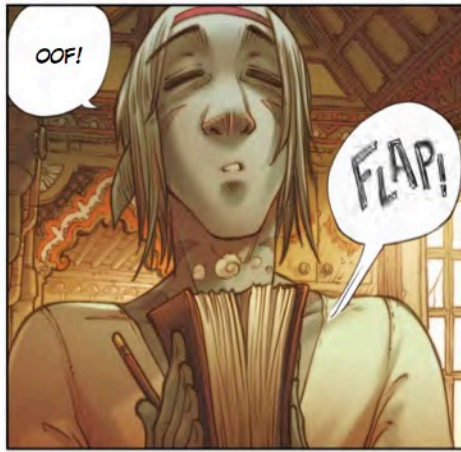
...AND OFTEN CRUEL,  
CREATING SEVERE DIFFERENCES  
ALONG WITH ENORMOUS SOCIAL  
DISPARITY.



THE PEACEFUL WATERS OF ITS  
CANALS ARE NO MORE THAN A  
MIRROR OF THE PLANET...

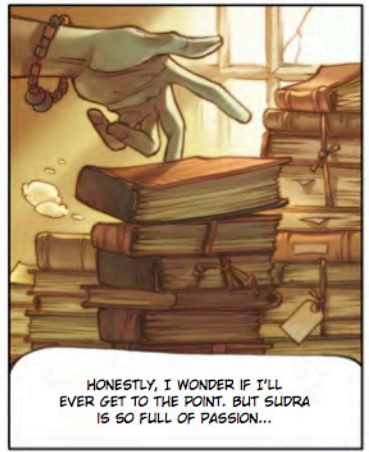


RIGHT, THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY...  
I THINK I'VE WRITTEN ENOUGH.



OOF!

FLAP!



HONESTLY, I WONDER IF I'LL  
EVER GET TO THE POINT. BUT SUDRA  
IS SO FULL OF PASSION...

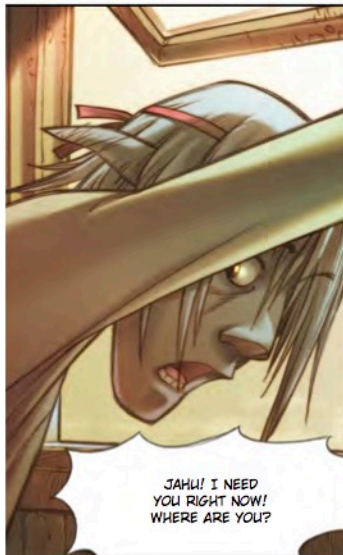


HONK!!  
HOONK!!

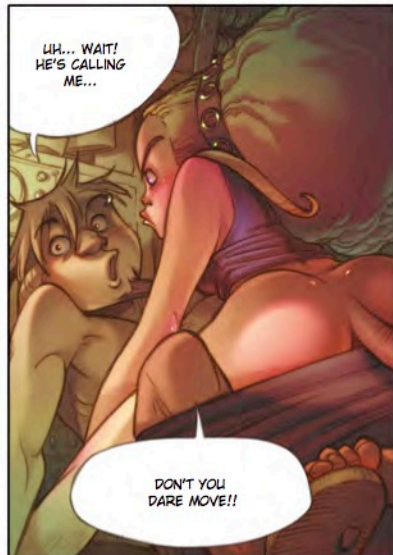


HEY ROY, HOW  
YOU DOIN'? I NEED A  
NAVIGATION REACTOR  
CONTROL BEFORE  
I GET BACK ON  
THE ROAD.

AGAIN? JEEZ,  
WHAT A RUST BUCKET  
YOU'VE GOT THERE!  
WE'RE COMING!

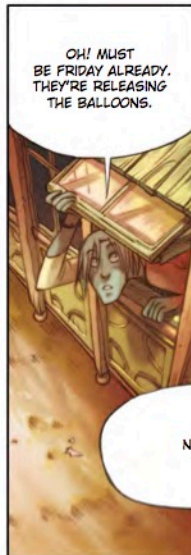


JAHU! I NEED  
YOU RIGHT NOW!  
WHERE ARE YOU?

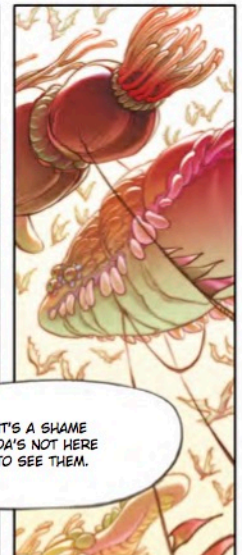


UH... WAIT!  
HE'S CALLING  
ME...

DON'T YOU  
DARE MOVE!!



OH! MUST  
BE FRIDAY ALREADY.  
THEY'RE RELEASING  
THE BALLOONS.

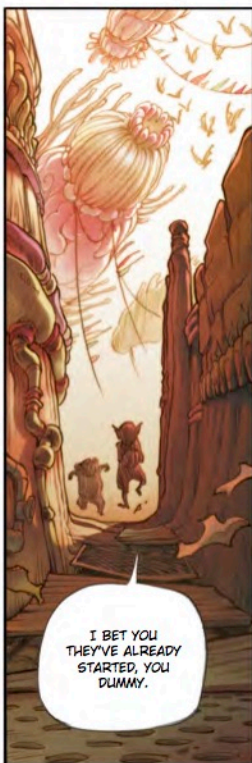


IT'S A SHAME  
NOA'S NOT HERE  
TO SEE THEM.

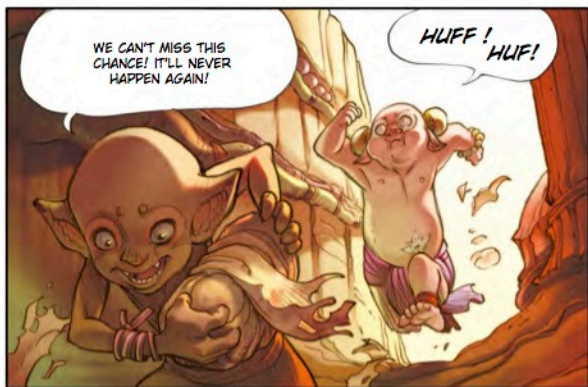


MOVE IT, IDIOT!

HEY, WAIT FOR ME!

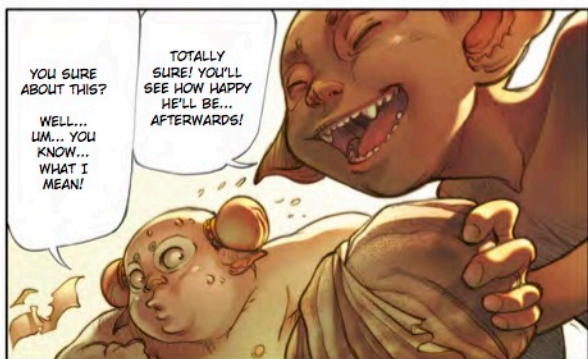


I BET YOU THEY'VE ALREADY STARTED, YOU DUMMY.



WE CAN'T MISS THIS CHANCE! IT'LL NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN!

HUFF! HUFF!



YOU SURE ABOUT THIS?

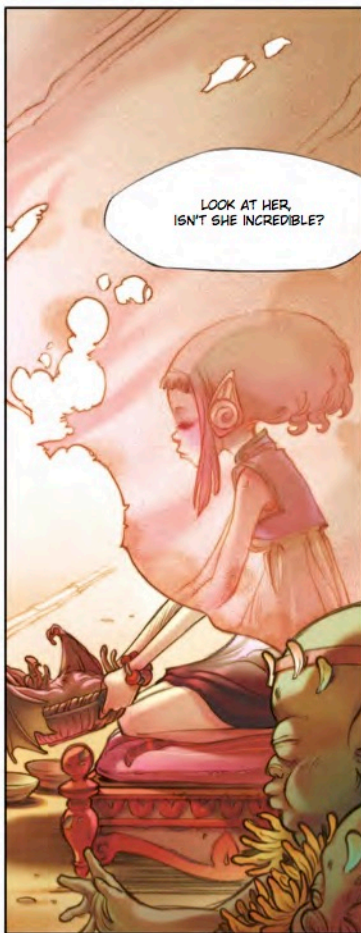
TOTALLY SURE! YOU'LL SEE HOW HAPPY HE'LL BE... AFTERWARDS!

WELL... UM... YOU KNOW... WHAT I MEAN!



WE MADE IT! AND SHE'S STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF IT, YEAH!

ARGH, YOU NEARLY GAVE ME A HEART ATTACK...! I HATE YOU!



LOOK AT HER, ISN'T SHE INCREDIBLE?

