

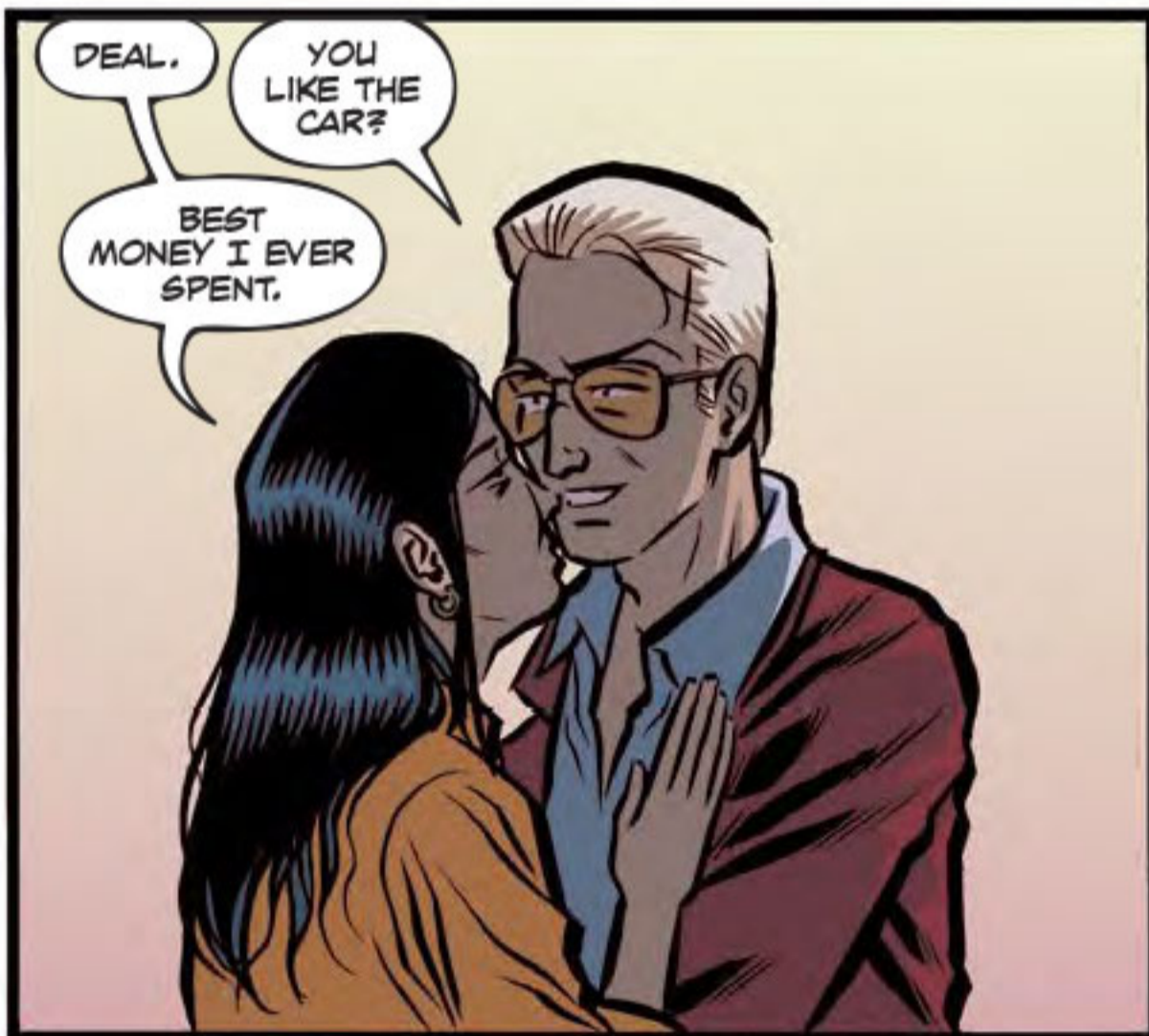


YOU PACK QUICK.

I'VE HAD THAT SUITCASE PACKED AND WAITING IN MY CLOSET FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

YOU LEARN TO KEEP A HOSPITAL SUITCASE WHEN YOU'RE SICK.

WELL, NOW IT'S YOUR GETAWAY BAG. DEAL?



DEAL.

YOU LIKE THE CAR?

BEST MONEY I EVER SPENT.

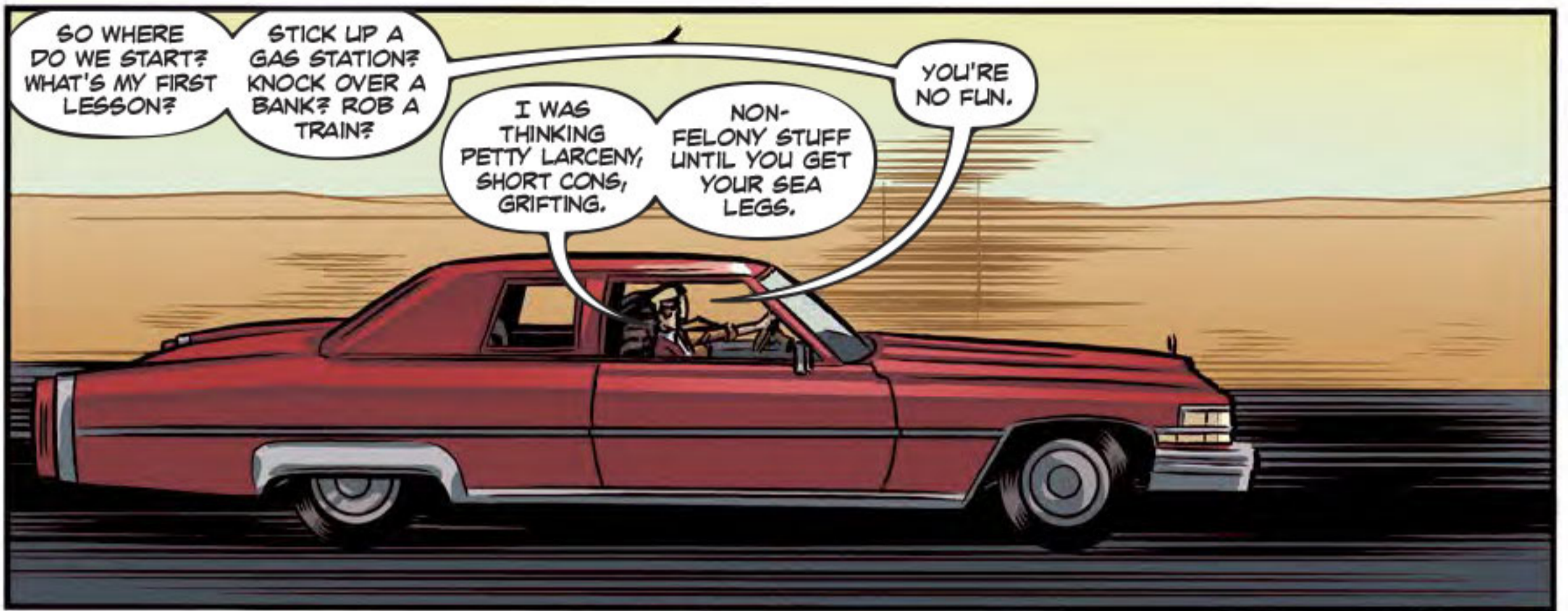


LET'S BLOW THIS DUMP.



GOD DAMN.

THAT THING LOOKS EVEN BETTER IN THE REARVIEW.



SO WHERE DO WE START? WHAT'S MY FIRST LESSON?

STICK UP A GAS STATION? KNOCK OVER A BANK? ROB A TRAIN?

I WAS THINKING PETTY LARCENY, SHORT CONS, GRIFTING.

NON-FELONY STUFF UNTIL YOU GET YOUR SEA LEGS.

YOU'RE NO FUN.

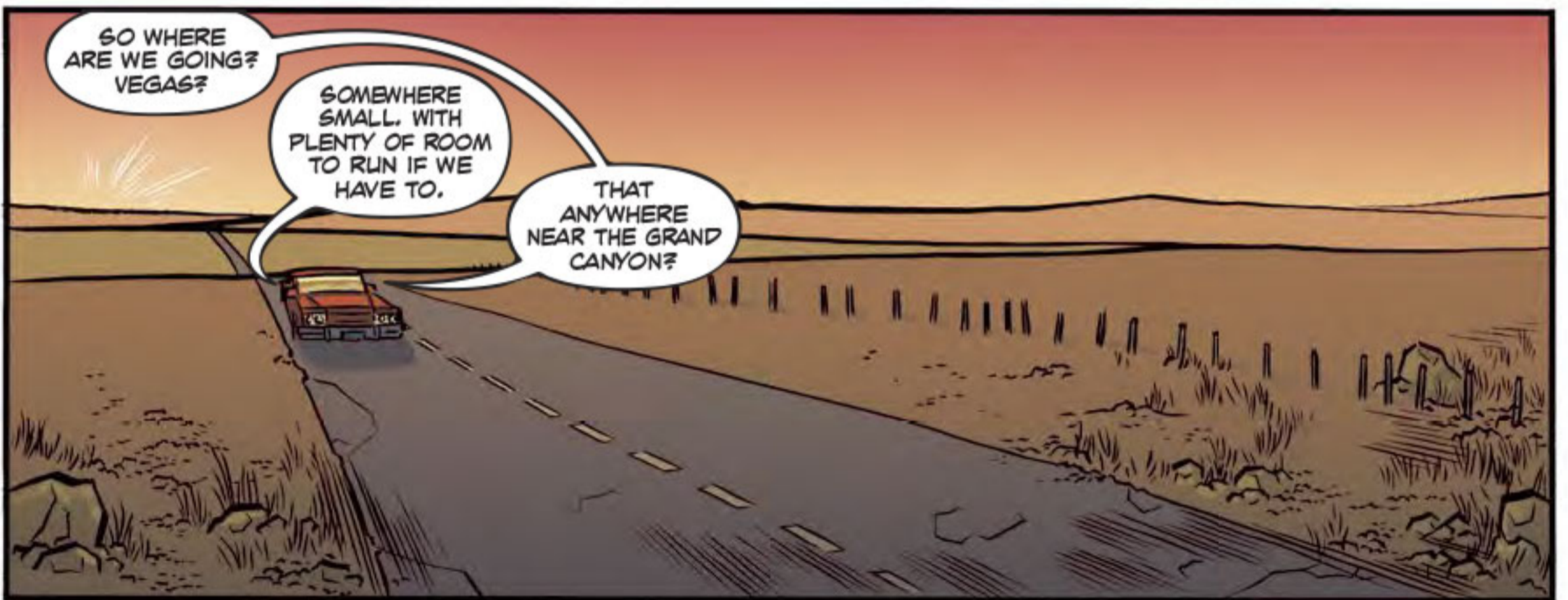


TWENTY BUCKS HERE, A HUNDRED THERE, YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A STASH.

THE STASH IS KEY. FUNDS THE JOBS, PAYS THE CREW. ARRANGES THE PLAN B.

WHAT'S PLAN B?

RUN LIKE HELL, USUALLY.



SO WHERE ARE WE GOING? VEGAS?

SOMEWHERE SMALL. WITH PLENTY OF ROOM TO RUN IF WE HAVE TO.

THAT ANYWHERE NEAR THE GRAND CANYON?

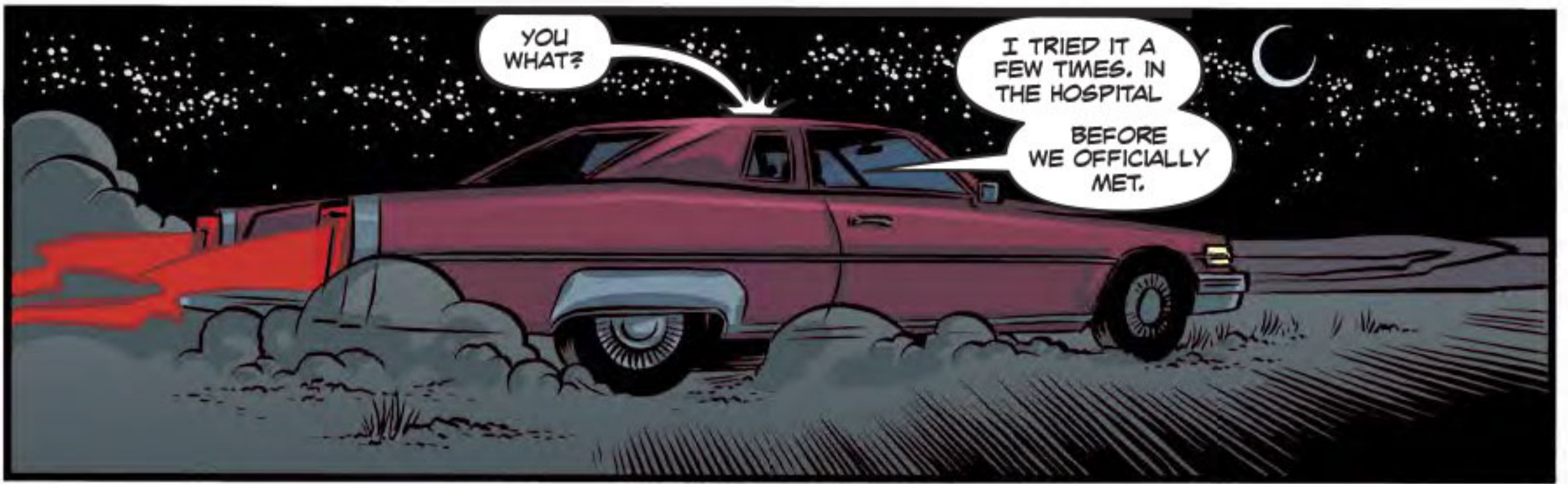


WE HAVE TO STOP, MERCER. I'M GOING TO PASS OUT IF I KEEP DRIVING.

LET ME DRIVE.

VERY FUNNY, GHOST BOY. ANY OTHER JOKES?

I'M SERIOUS. PULL OVER, I'LL SHOW YOU.



YOU WHAT?

I TRIED IT A FEW TIMES, IN THE HOSPITAL BEFORE WE OFFICIALLY MET.



YOU'RE NOT MAKING IT SOUND LESS CREEPY, MERCER.

I WAS JUST TRYING STUFF. I COULD SORT OF DO IT, BUT I THINK I NEED YOUR PERMISSION TO TAKE OVER. YOU OWN THE SHIP, I'M ONLY RIDING STEERAGE.

LH HUH. SO WHAT DO I DO?



YOU SAY YES, YOU CLOSE YOUR EYES AND LET GO.

YOU TRUST ME?

I DO.



SO I JUST CLOSE MY EYES?

DO I HAVE TO...



...MAKE A WISH OR SOMETH--
AAAAAHHH!



OKAY, WHAT THE HELL IS HAPPENING?

BECAUSE I JUST GOT USED TO YOU BEING DEAD AND NOW--

YOU LET ME TAKE CONTROL, CALLIE, OF YOUR BODY.

WE SWITCHED SEATS.



I THINK WE'RE MOVING TOO FAST. I CAN'T THINK STRAIGHT.

C'MON, CALLIE. THIS IS A GOOD THING. SEE, I DIDN'T WANT TO OVERWHELM YOU AND--



NO SECRETS, MERCER. YOU AGREED. YOU HAVE TO TELL ME EVERYTHING.

YOU LIVE IN MY HEAD. I DON'T HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF LIVING IN YOURS.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

I'M SORRY. I'M A HEEL. FORGIVE ME?

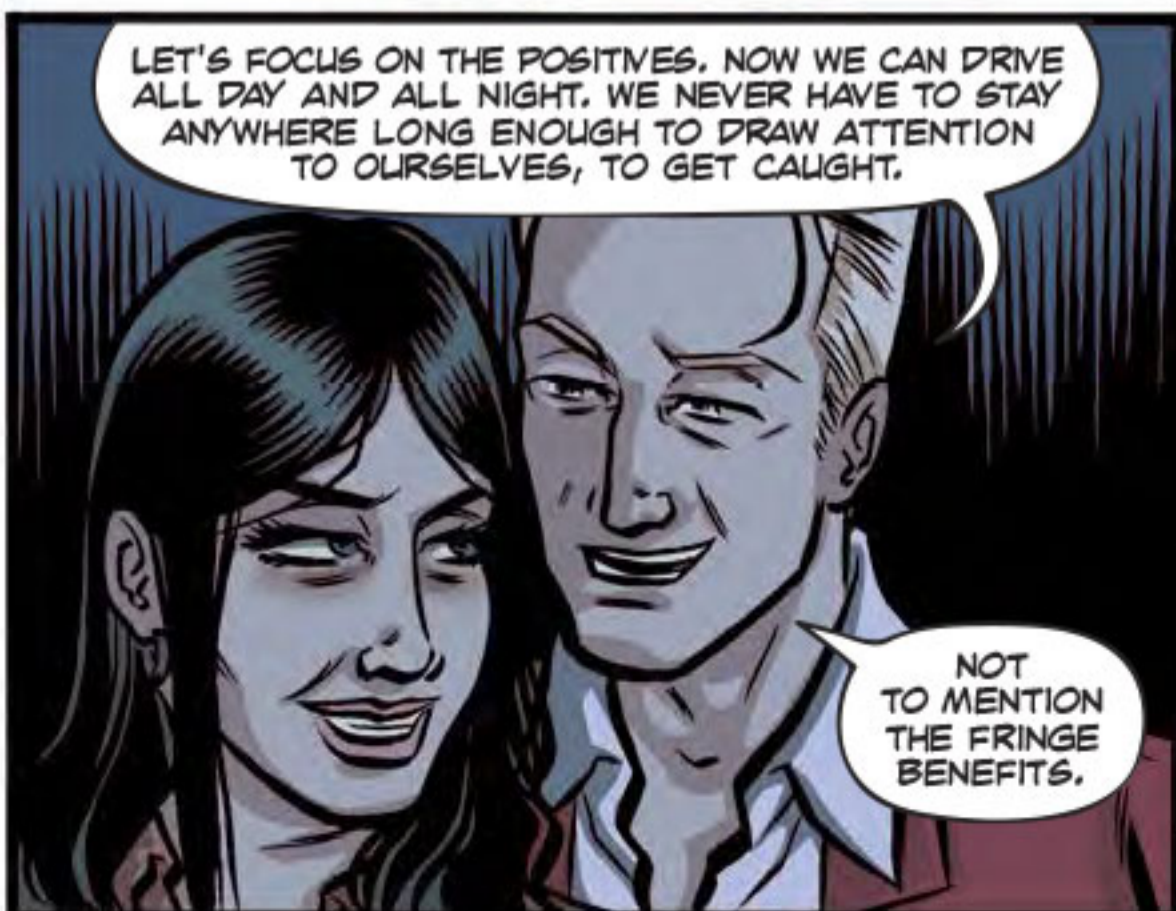


YEAH, IF YOU EXPLAIN WHATEVER THIS IS.

I DON'T KNOW. IF I KNEW HOW ANY OF THIS STUFF BETWEEN US WORKED, I'D... I'D HAVE AN ANSWER.

I'M FIGURING IT OUT SAME AS YOU.

YOU'RE THE WEIRDEST BOYFRIEND EVER.



LET'S FOCUS ON THE POSITIVES. NOW WE CAN DRIVE ALL DAY AND ALL NIGHT. WE NEVER HAVE TO STAY ANYWHERE LONG ENOUGH TO DRAW ATTENTION TO OURSELVES, TO GET CAUGHT.

NOT TO MENTION THE FRINGE BENEFITS.



"OH? DO TELL, MR. MERCER."

"I THOUGHT YOU WERE TIRED."



MORNING, LADY.

Hi...
Uh, where are we?

TUCUMCARI, NEW MEXICO. SLEEP OKAY?



MMHMM. THANKS TO YOU. OR ME. LAST NIGHT WAS CONFUSING.

IN A GOOD WAY?

YEAH, PRETTY DAMN GOOD.



GOOD. THEN WELCOME TO YOUR FIRST LESSON.

HOW TO STEAL.



YOU MANAGE TO WALK OUT WITH TEN DOLLARS WORTH OF STUFF, YOU PASS.

DON'T GET CAUGHT.

WHEN I STOLE FROM THAT BOOKSTORE IN CHICAGO TO FUND MY MOVE WEST, IT HAUNTED ME ALL THE WAY.

I GOT TO STANFORD WITHOUT A HITCH, TELLING MYSELF I'D PAY THEM BACK WHEN I GOT A JOB.

THEN I GOT A JOB, BUT I'D ALSO GOTTEN AWAY WITH IT. SO I KEPT MY MONEY.

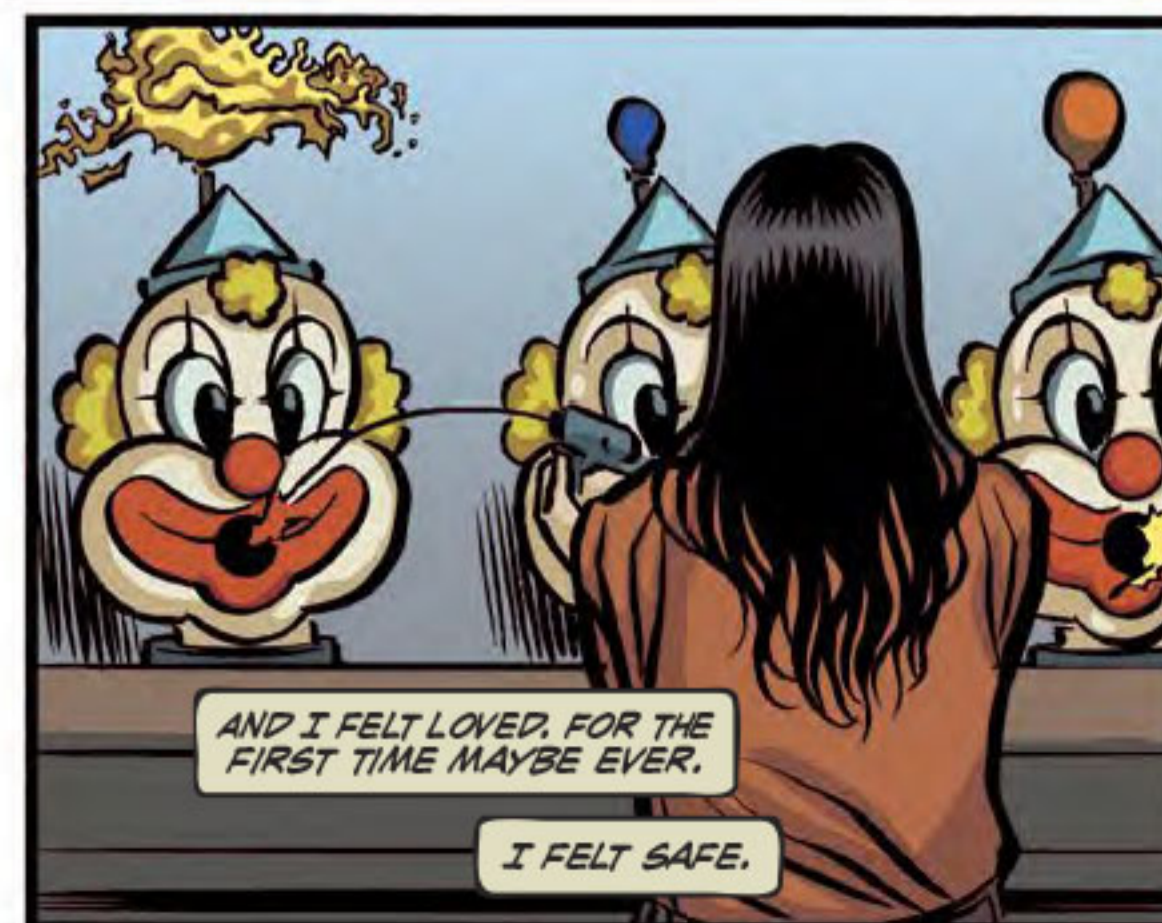
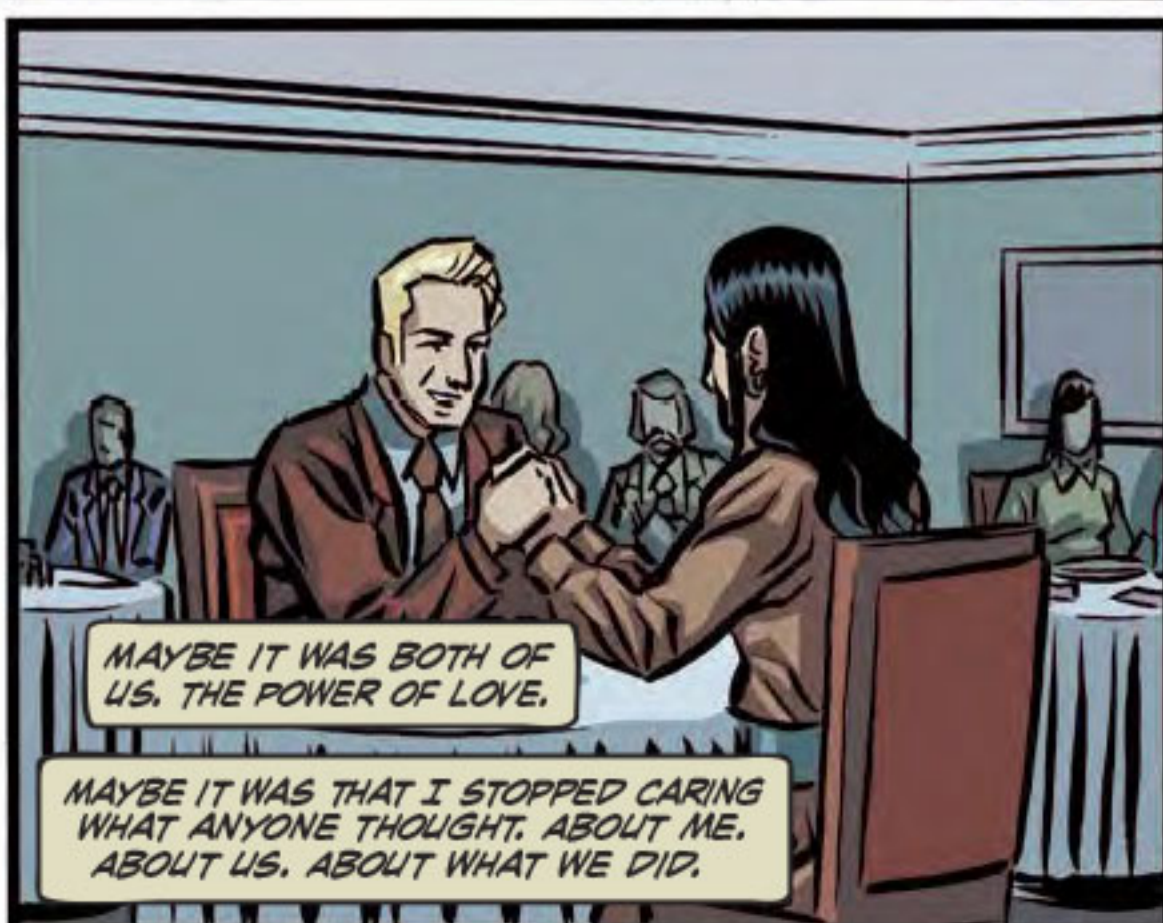
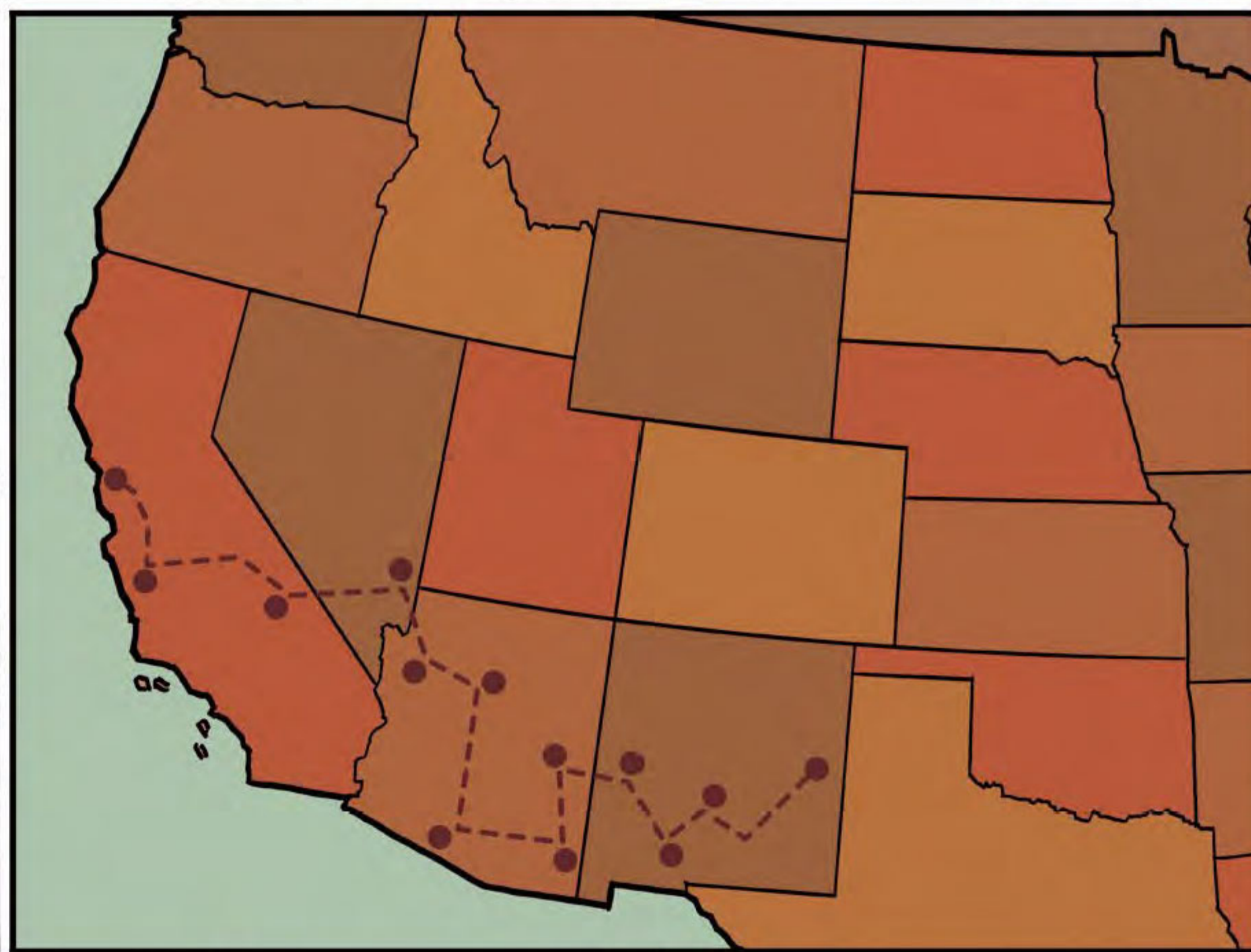
I PUT IT OUT OF MY HEAD. UNTIL NOW, I REMEMBER WHAT I WAS THINKING THE WHOLE TIME.

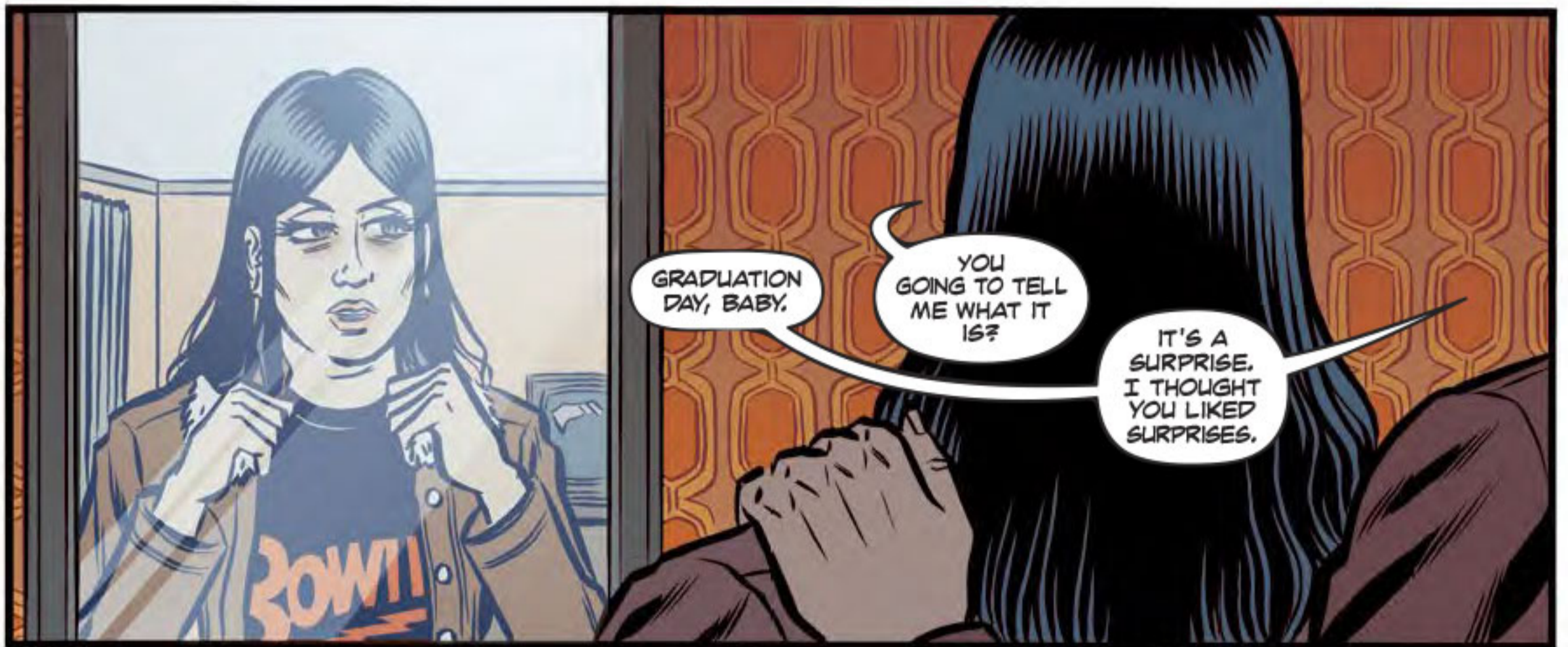
THIS IS FUN.



FLAWLESS, CALLIE. YOU'RE A NATURAL.

AND I WANT TO DO IT AGAIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.





GRADUATION DAY, BABY.

YOU GOING TO TELL ME WHAT IT IS?

IT'S A SURPRISE. I THOUGHT YOU LIKED SURPRISES.



TA-DA.

WHAT? THE BANK? SERIOUSLY?

WE GET TO ROB A BANK?



YOU GET TO. SOLO.

I STAY OUT HERE.

WHAT? WHY? WE'VE COME THIS FAR TOGETHER.



EXACTLY. BUT YOU'RE THE ONE WHO HAS TO DO IT, WHO HAS TO REMEMBER EVERYTHING YOU'VE LEARNED.

WITHOUT ME HOLDING YOUR HAND.



YOU HAVE ICE WATER IN YOUR VEINS. YOU'RE A CRIMINAL MASTERMIND, BUT NO ONE KNOWS IT YET.

GO SHOW THEM, BABY.