

S.T.A.R. LABS

**Central City.**



**THIS SHOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE.**



TRY SPINNING YOUR ARMS REALLY FAST TO CREATE WIND VORTEXES. LIKE... MINI TORNADOES.

WHOA!  
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MY FRIEND DETECTIVE AUGUST HEART WAS STOPPING A GROUP OF SCIENCE TERRORISTS CALLED BLACK HOLE FROM RIPPING OFF A S.T.A.R. LABS TRANSPORT...

BUT HE WAS STRUCK BY LIGHTNING, AND NOW IT SEEMS HE HAS ACCESS TO THE SPEED FORCE.



THANKFULLY NO ONE SAW AUGUST GET HIT BY LIGHTNING OR DEFEAT BLACK HOLE USING SUPER-SPEED BUT...

WE NEED TO GET YOU TO S.T.A.R. LABS!

NO...NO DOCTORS. THIS IS SCARY ENOUGH AS IT IS WITHOUT FEELING LIKE SOMEONE'S LAB RAT.

YOU NEED TESTS TO CHECK THAT YOU'RE OKAY.

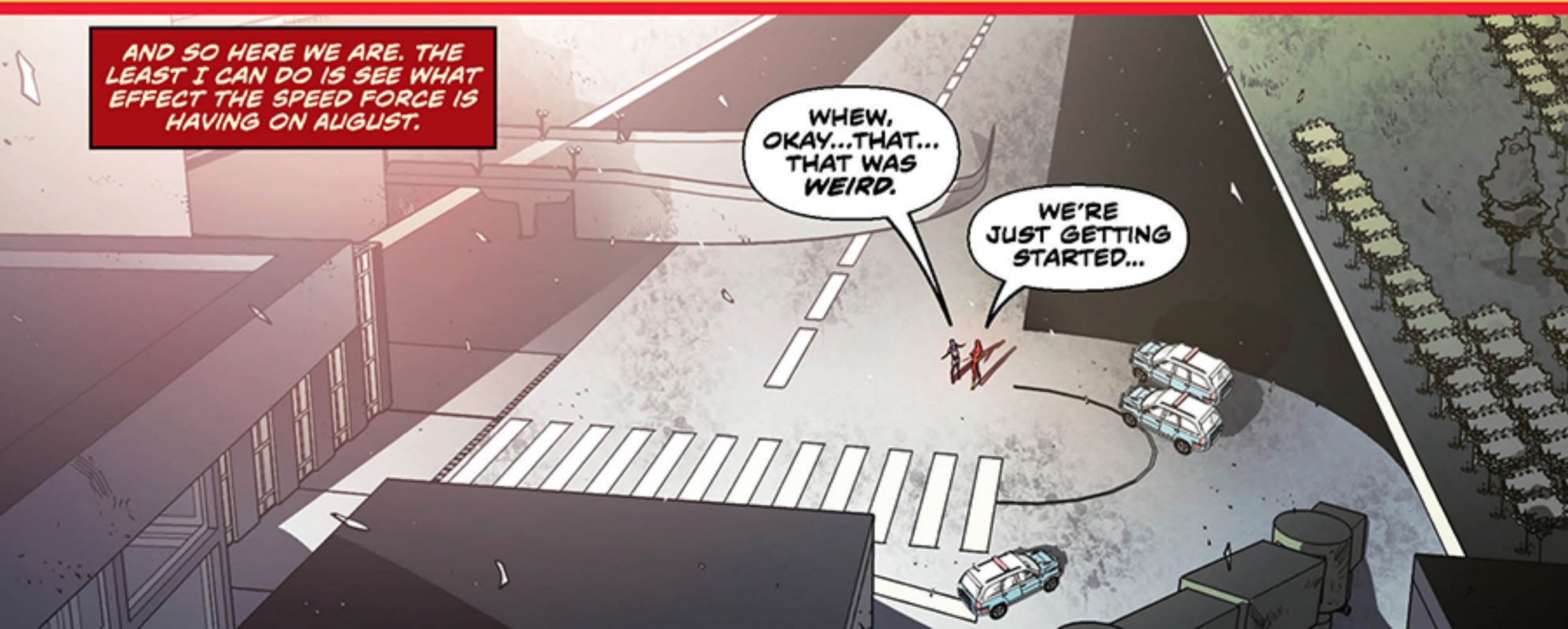
CAN'T YOU RUN THEM YOURSELF, FLASH? WHAT DOCTOR KNOWS THESE THINGS BETTER THAN YOU DO?

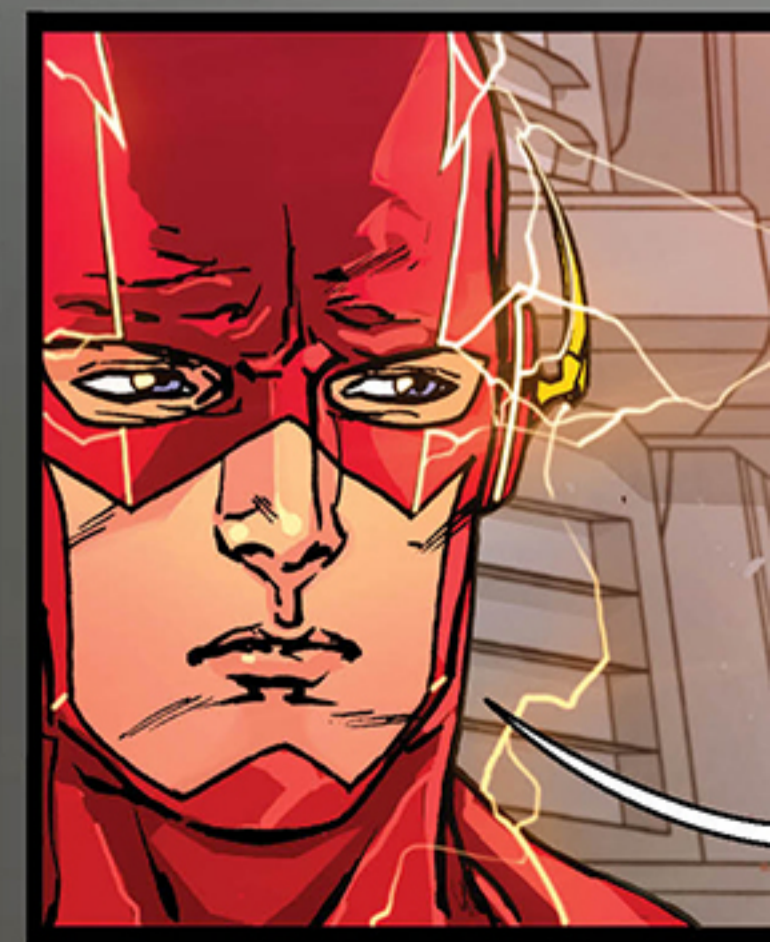
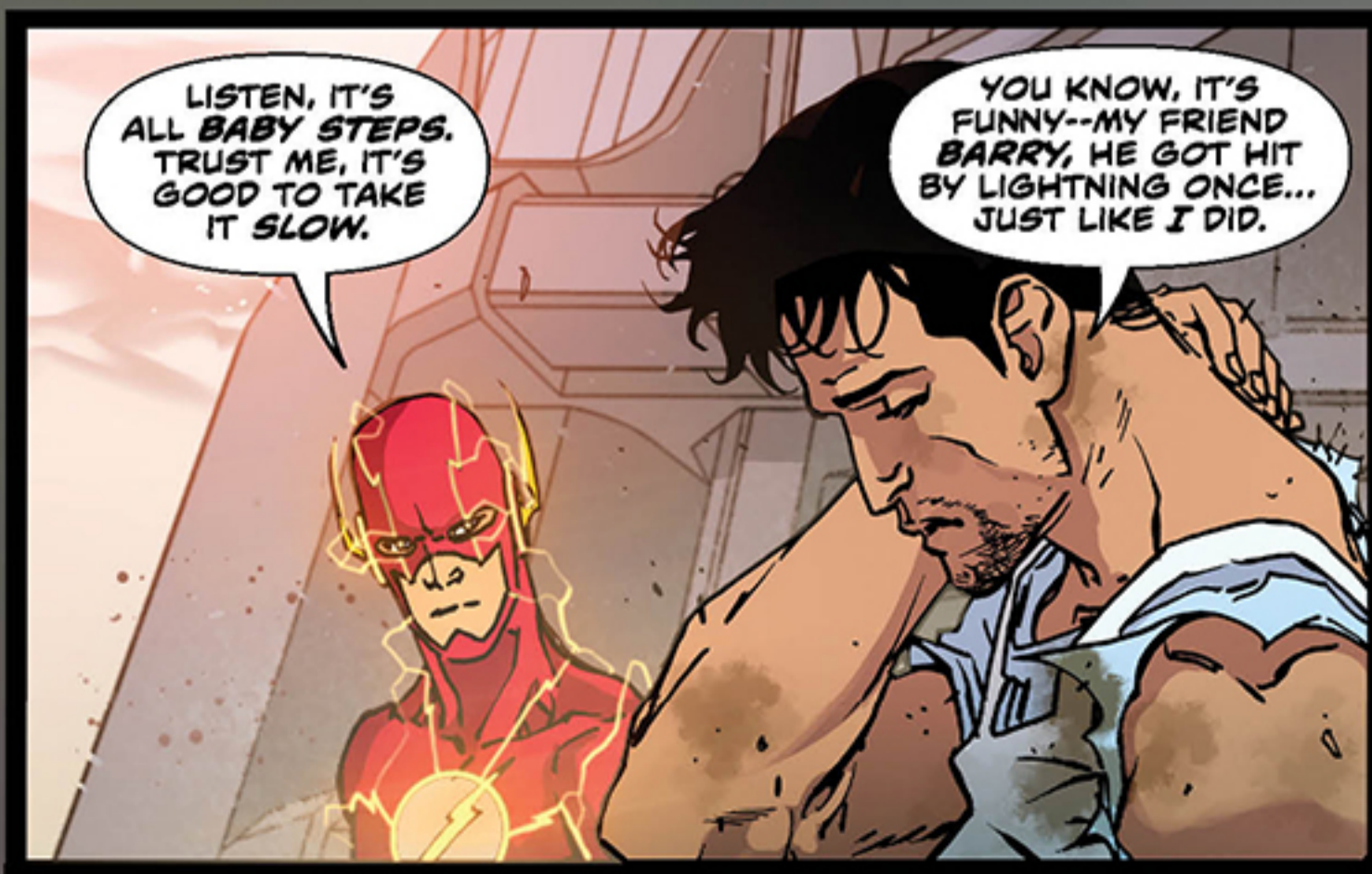
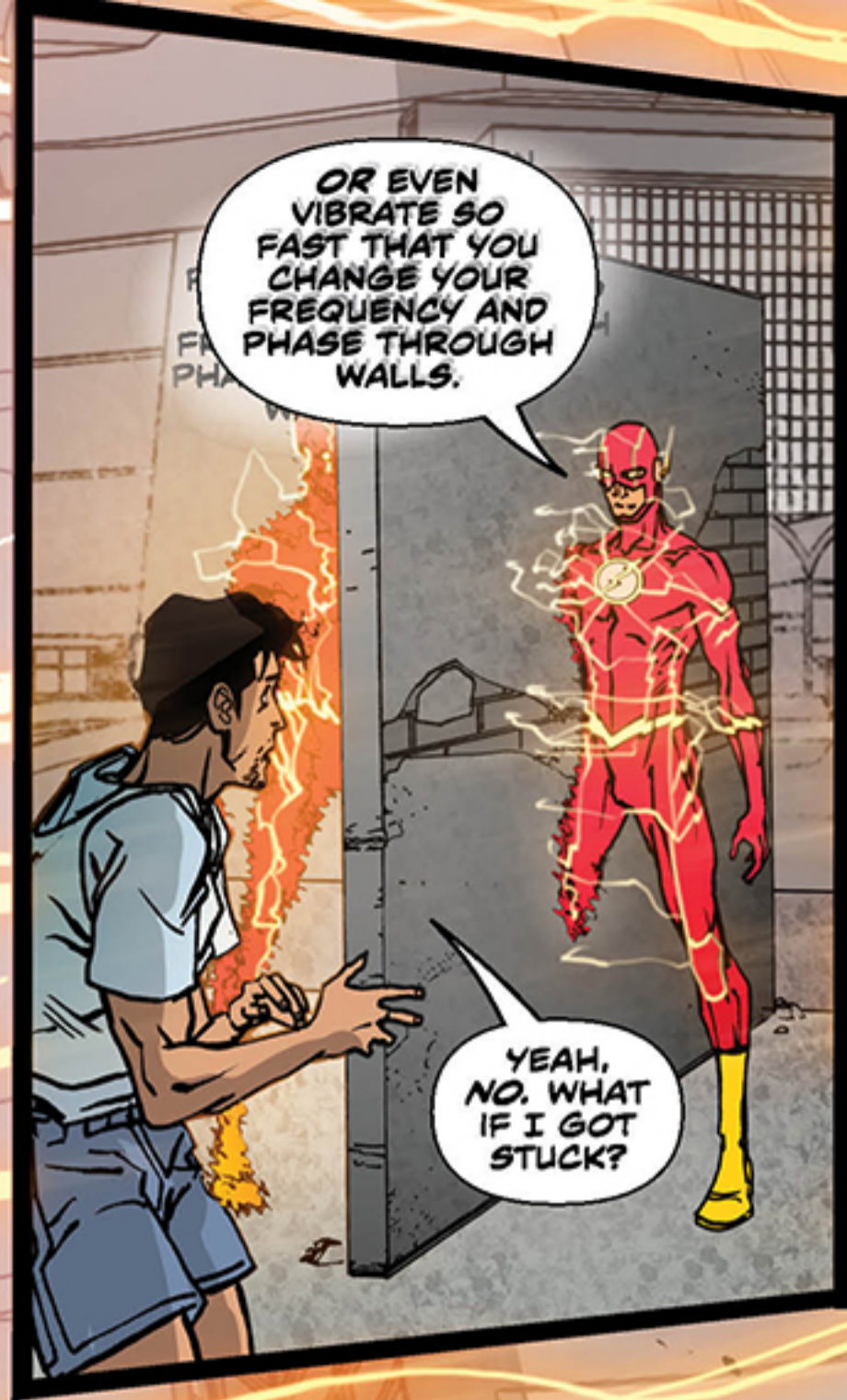


AND SO HERE WE ARE. THE LEAST I CAN DO IS SEE WHAT EFFECT THE SPEED FORCE IS HAVING ON AUGUST.

WHEW, OKAY...THAT... THAT WAS WEIRD.

WE'RE JUST GETTING STARTED...

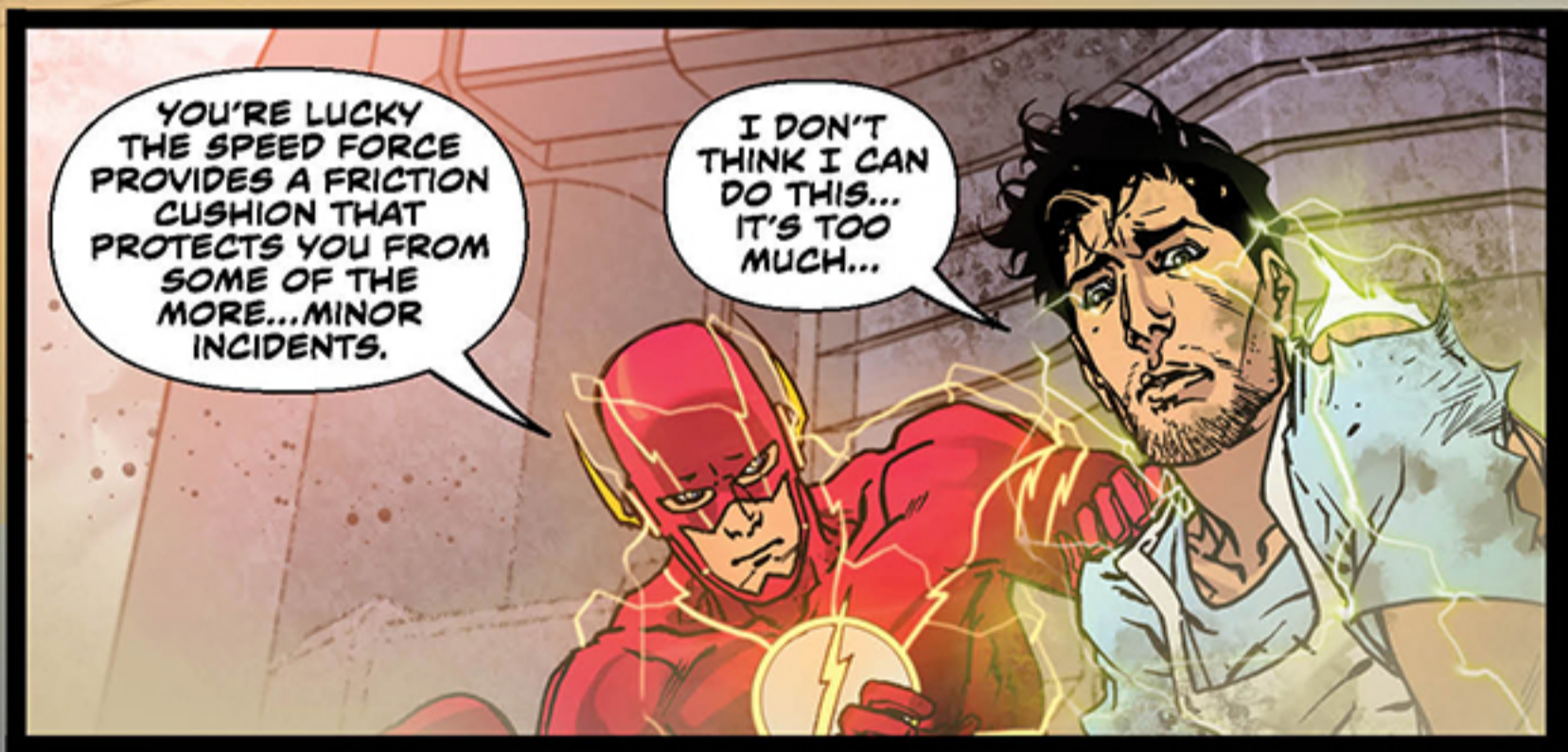






OKAY, LET'S TRY...  
**RUNNING!**

**RUN, AUGUST! HOW FAST ARE YOU?!**



YOU'RE LUCKY THE SPEED FORCE PROVIDES A FRICTION CUSHION THAT PROTECTS YOU FROM SOME OF THE MORE...MINOR INCIDENTS.

I DON'T THINK I CAN DO THIS... IT'S TOO MUCH...



...OH? DID HE?

YEAH. I MEAN, WHAT ARE THE ODDS, RIGHT?

BILLION TO ONE.

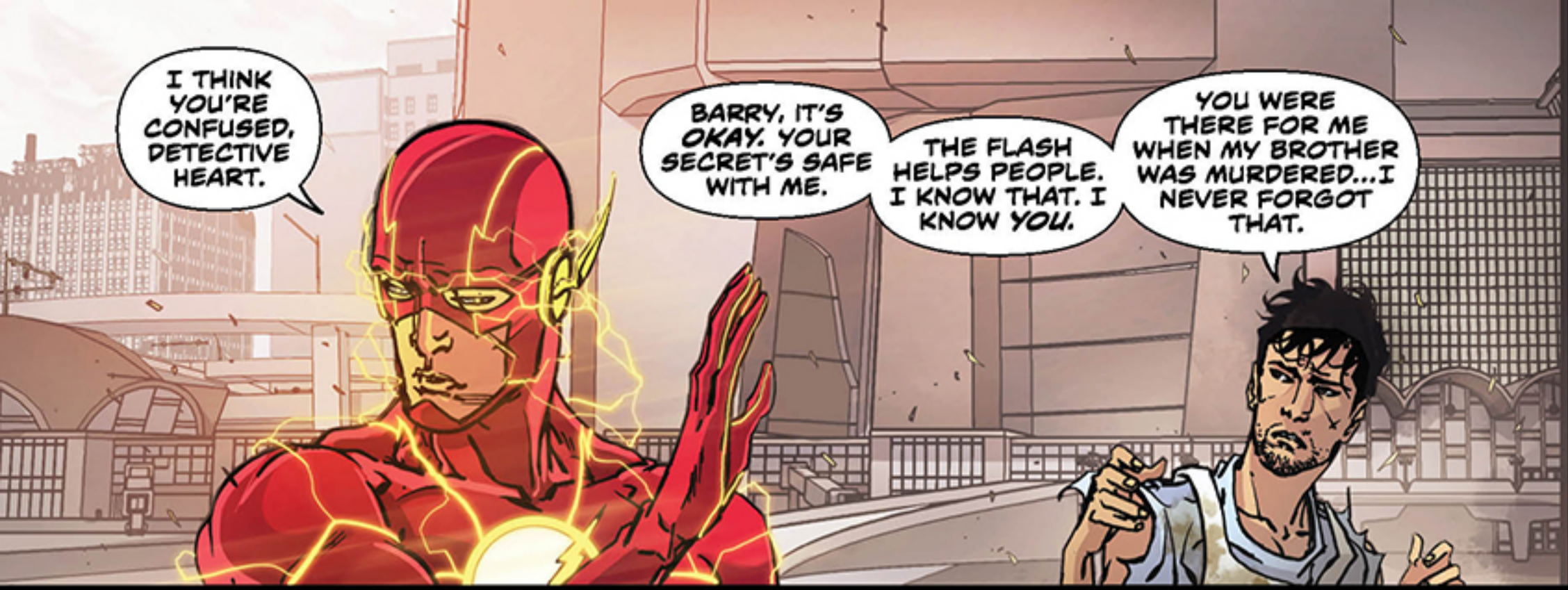
OF COURSE YOU KNOW THE ODDS...WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS THAT BARRY IS A REALLY GOOD FRIEND.

I--



SO I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU'RE DOING FOR ME HERE...

**BARRY.**

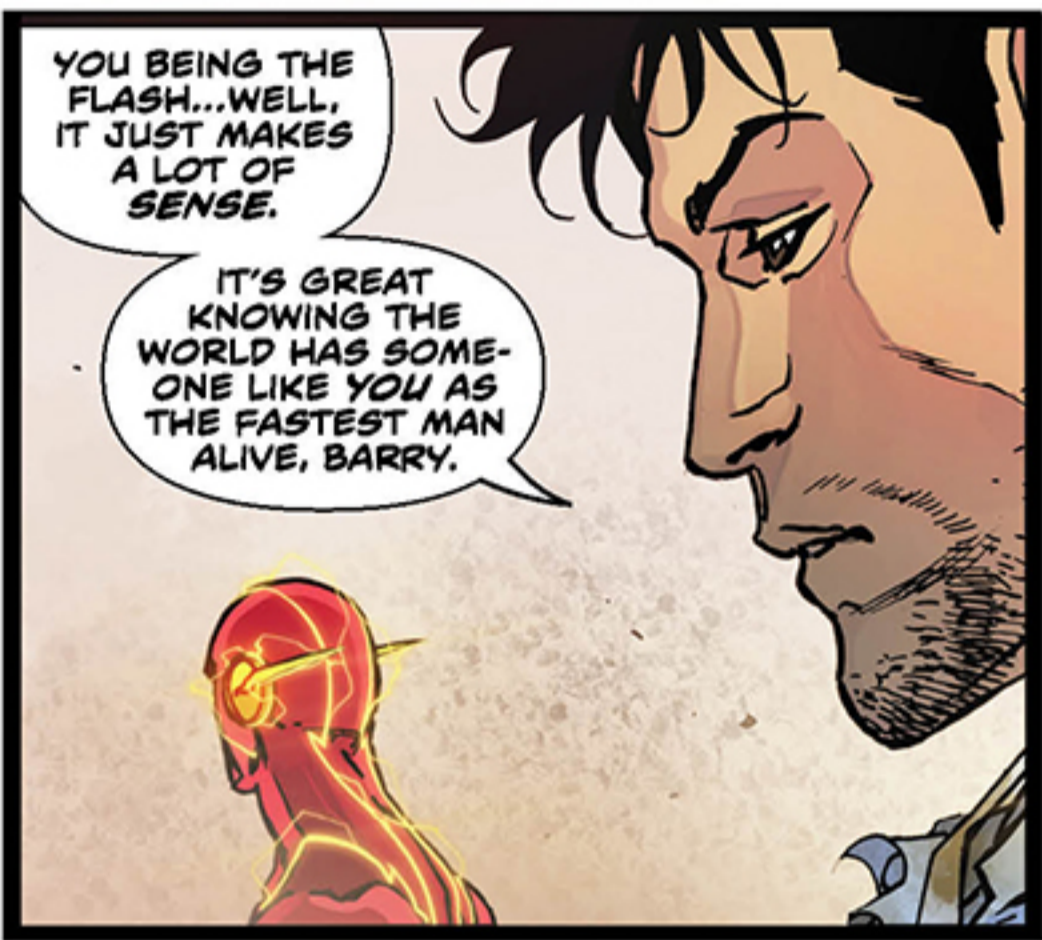


I THINK YOU'RE CONFUSED, DETECTIVE HEART.

BARRY, IT'S OKAY. YOUR SECRET'S SAFE WITH ME.

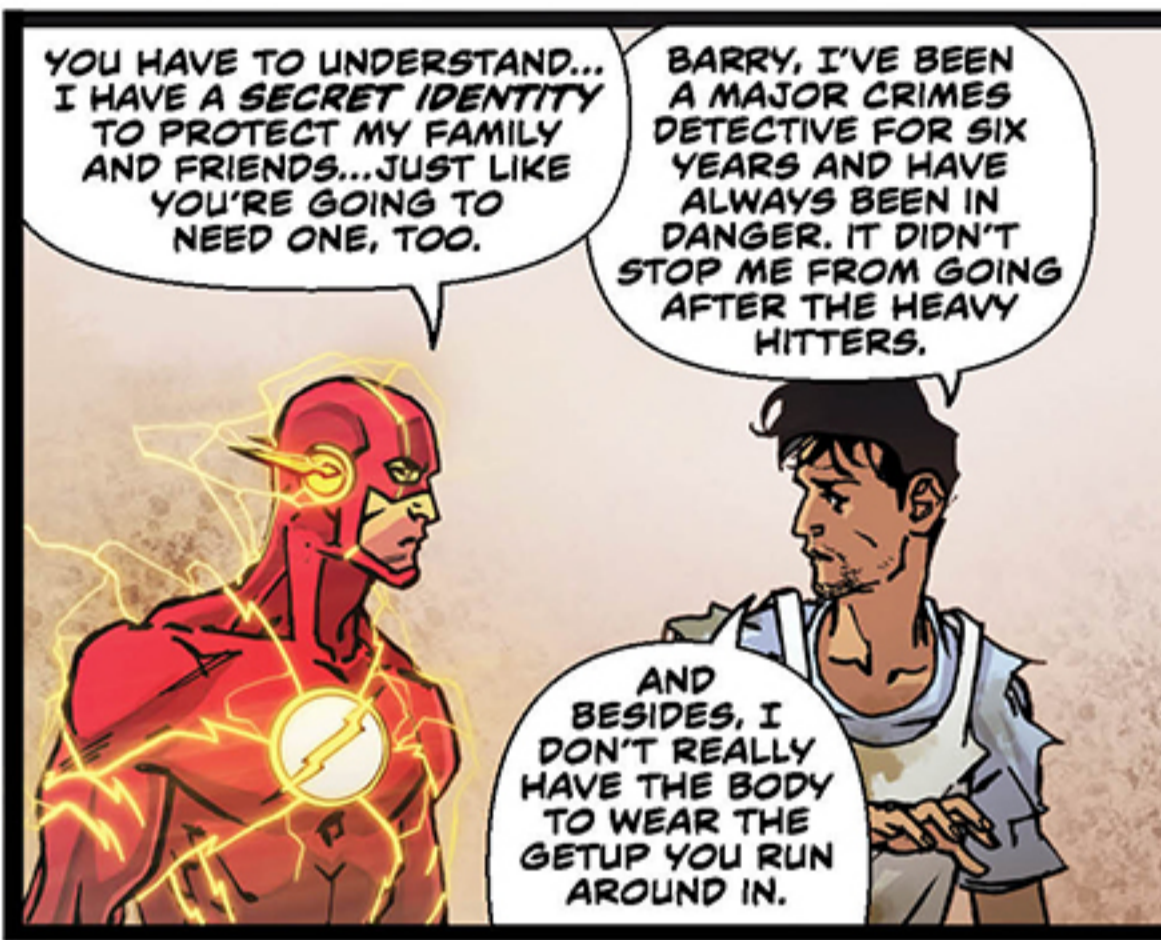
THE FLASH HELPS PEOPLE. I KNOW THAT. I KNOW YOU.

YOU WERE THERE FOR ME WHEN MY BROTHER WAS MURDERED... I NEVER FORGOT THAT.



YOU BEING THE FLASH... WELL, IT JUST MAKES A LOT OF SENSE.

IT'S GREAT KNOWING THE WORLD HAS SOMEONE LIKE YOU AS THE FASTEST MAN ALIVE, BARRY.



YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND... I HAVE A SECRET IDENTITY TO PROTECT MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS... JUST LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO NEED ONE, TOO.

BARRY, I'VE BEEN A MAJOR CRIMES DETECTIVE FOR SIX YEARS AND HAVE ALWAYS BEEN IN DANGER. IT DIDN'T STOP ME FROM GOING AFTER THE HEAVY HITTERS.

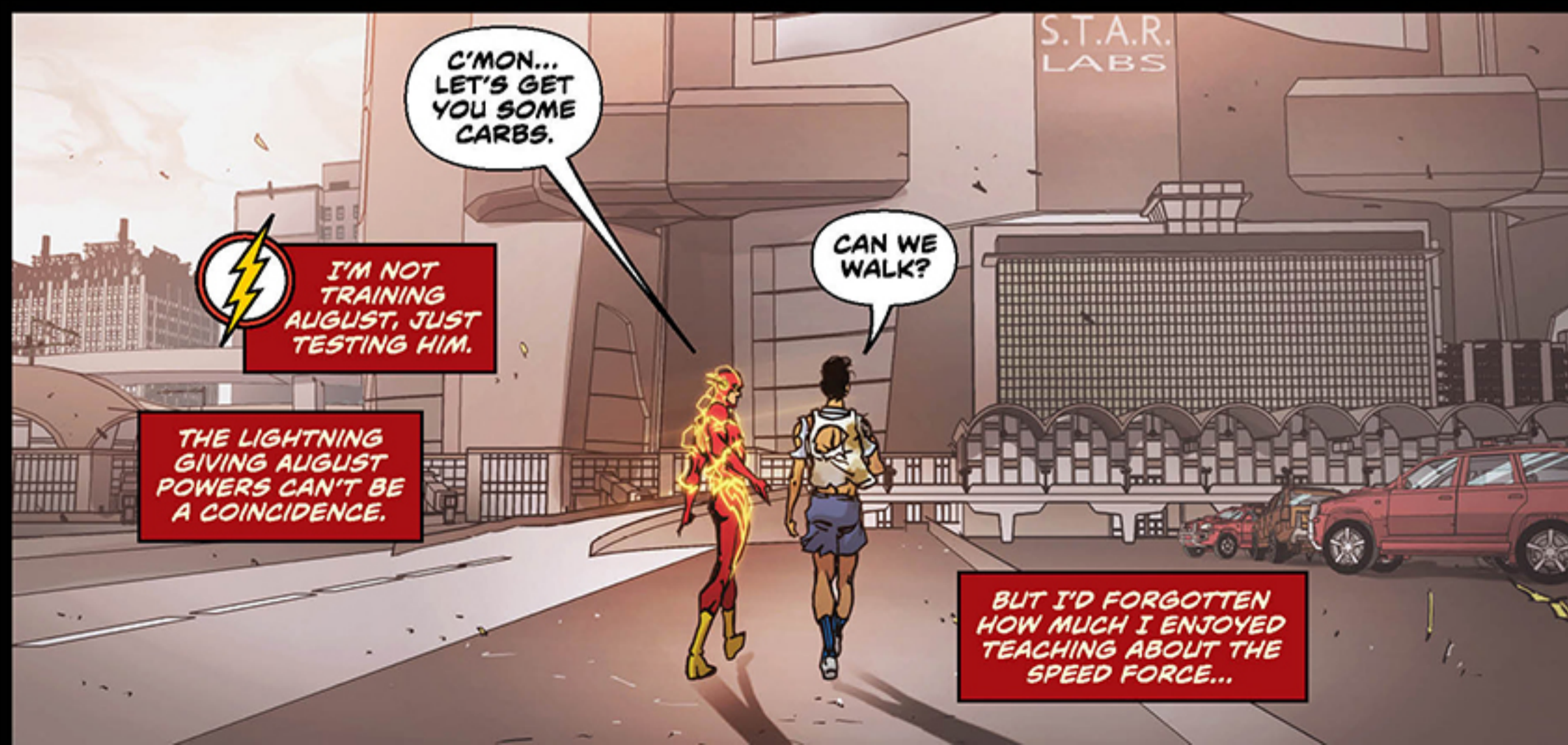
AND BESIDES, I DON'T REALLY HAVE THE BODY TO WEAR THE GETUP YOU RUN AROUND IN.



AUGUST, I'M NOT SAYING YOU NEED TO BE A HERO, BUT THESE POWERS COME WITH--

CAN WE TALK ABOUT THIS OVER SOME BURGERS AND FRIES? I SUDDENLY HAVE THE MUNCHIES REAL BAD.

YOUR METABOLISM HAS GONE THROUGH THE ROOF AND YOU'RE GOING TO BURN FUEL A LOT FASTER THAN YOU USED TO. YOU'LL NEED TO BE CAREFUL.



C'MON... LET'S GET YOU SOME CARBS.

CAN WE WALK?


**I'M NOT TRAINING AUGUST, JUST TESTING HIM.**

**THE LIGHTNING GIVING AUGUST POWERS CAN'T BE A COINCIDENCE.**

**BUT I'D FORGOTTEN HOW MUCH I ENJOYED TEACHING ABOUT THE SPEED FORCE...**



LIKE IT WAS  
SOMETHING  
I'M MEANT  
TO DO.



MY NAME IS  
WALLY WEST...

Whooooo! Oooop!

...AND JUST BECAUSE I'M  
NOT A HERO DOESN'T  
MEAN I CAN'T HAVE FUN  
WITH THE POWERS!



JUST HAVE TO  
GET UP AND  
TRY AGAIN.

IT ALWAYS FEELS LIKE THE  
POWERS ARE FADING AWAY,  
SO I WANT TO ENJOY THEM  
AS MUCH AS I CAN...BUT  
WHAT IF I GET HURT?

AND THEN WHAT WOULD AUNT  
IRIS DO? WITH EVERYTHING THAT  
HAPPENED WITH UNCLE DANIEL,  
SHE'D FREAK IF SHE FOUND OUT  
I HAD SPEED POWERS, TOO.

