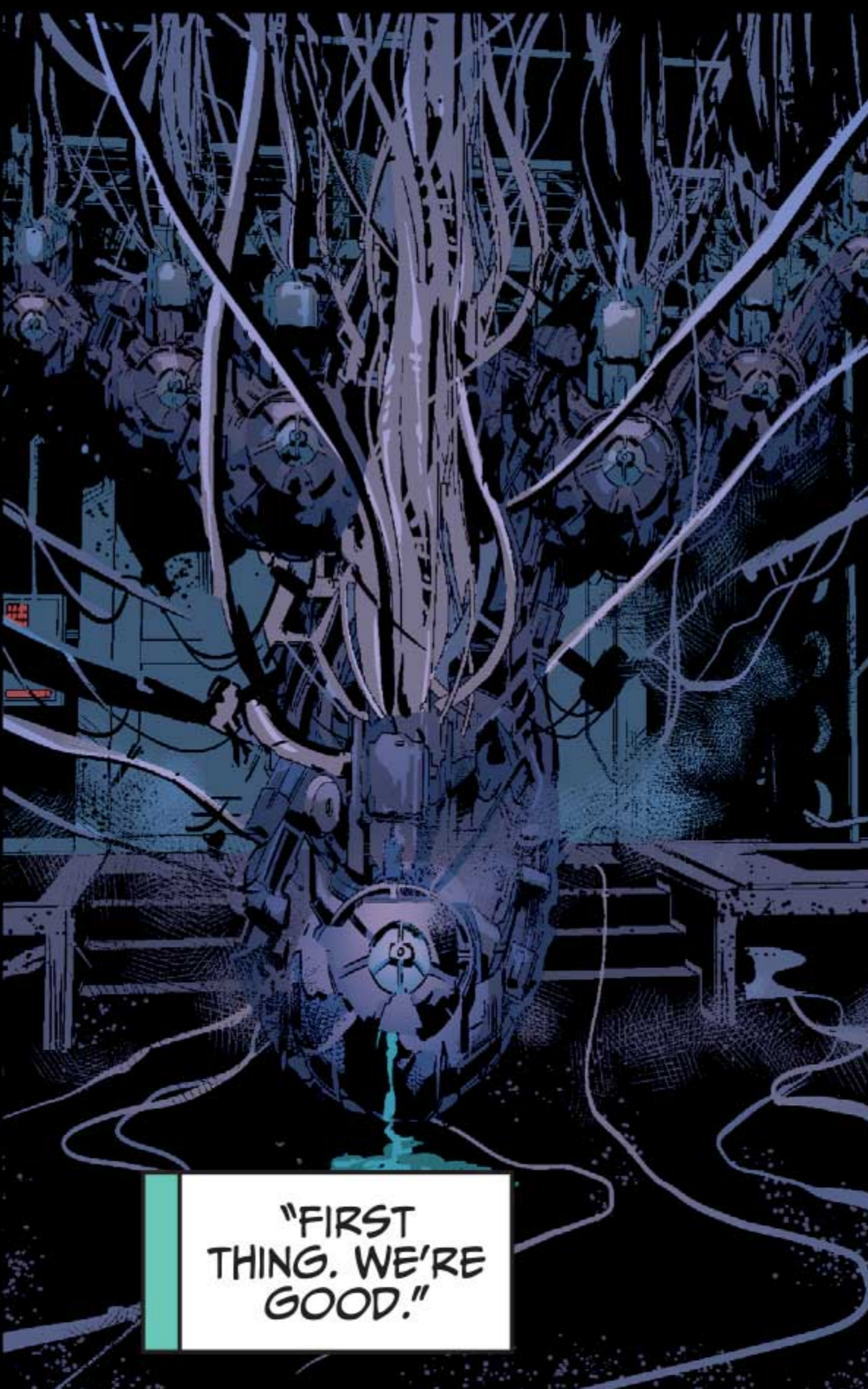
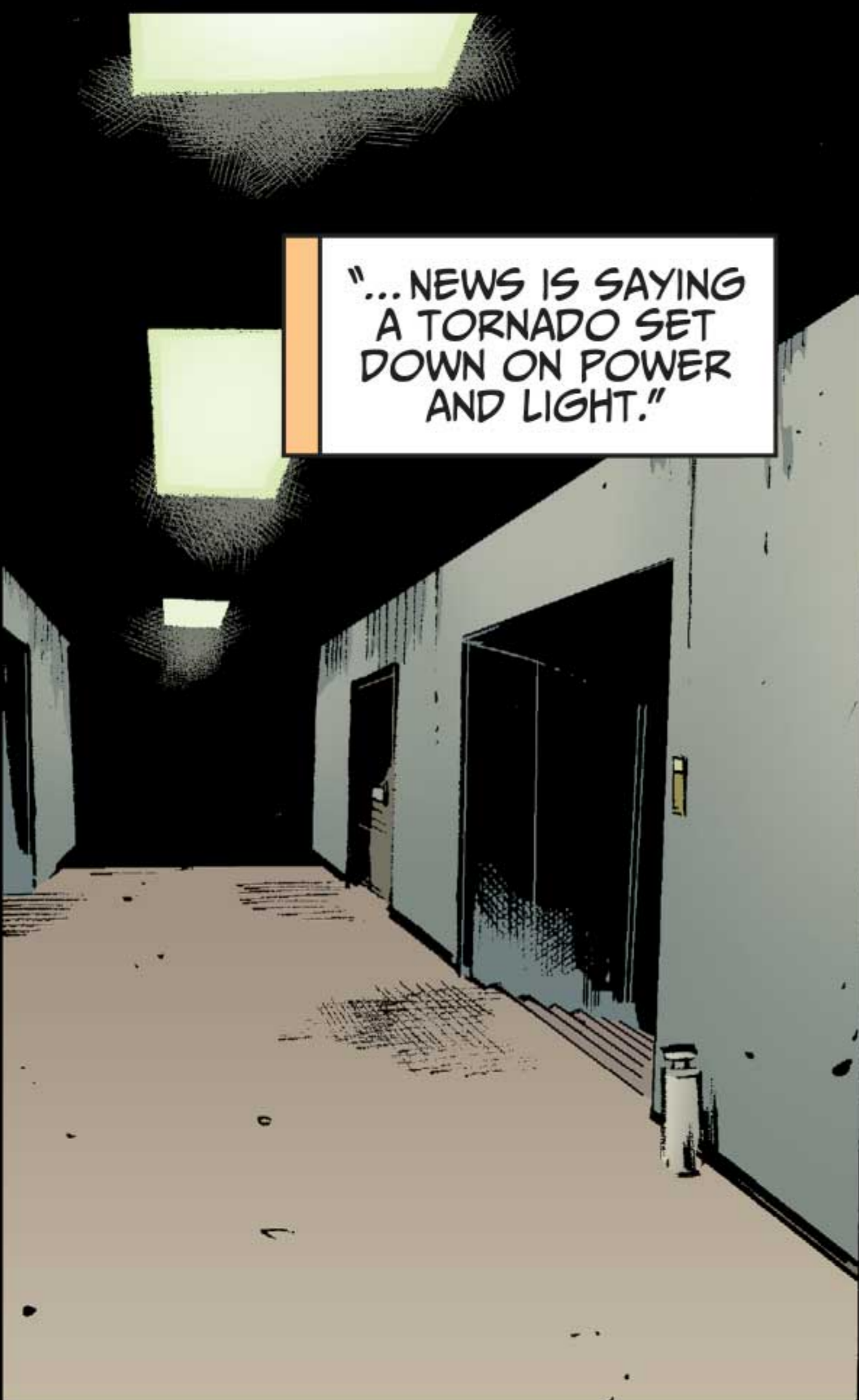
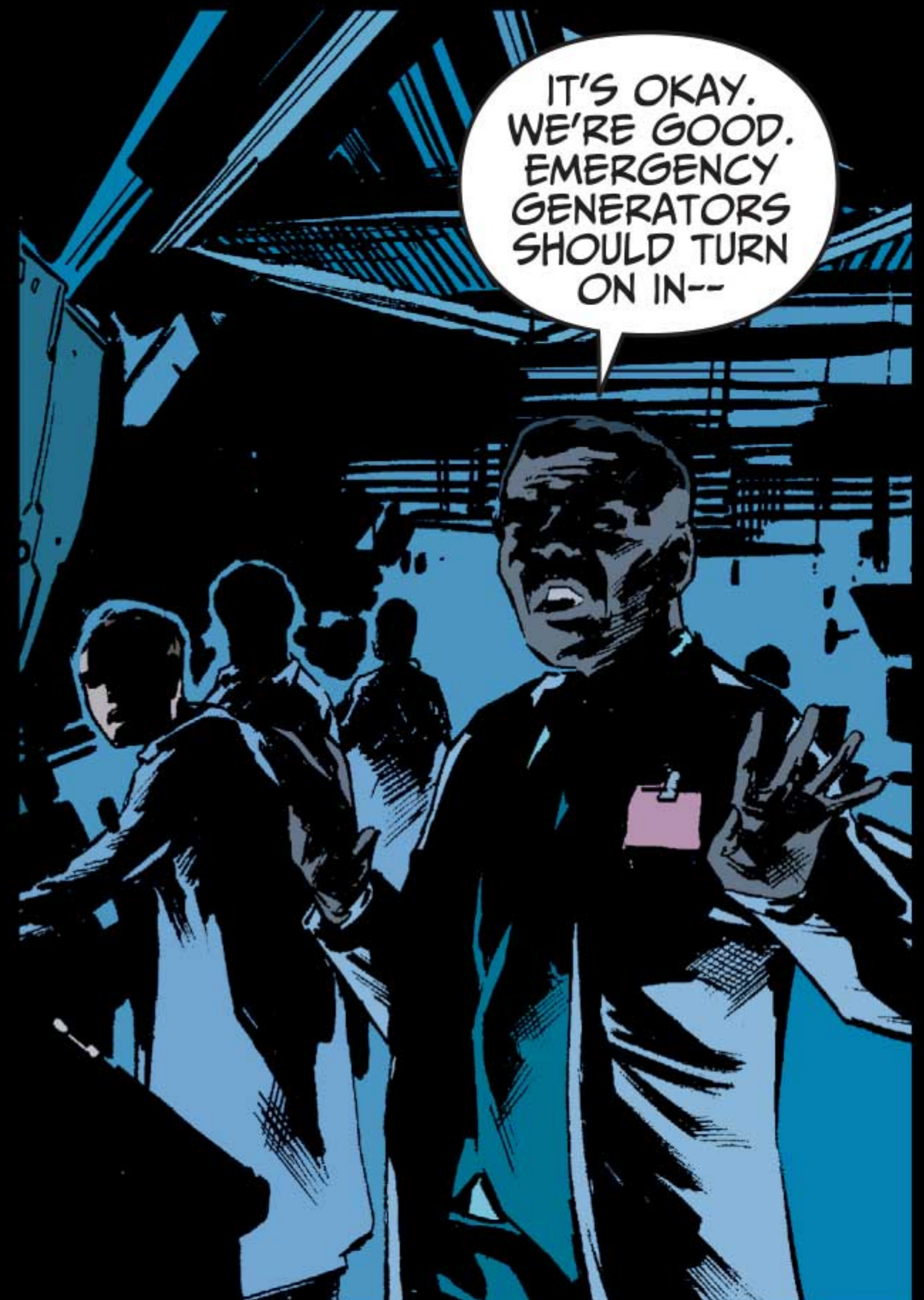


FOUR MONTHS AGO. SAUSALITO, CALIFORNIA.



WINTERSGATE MANOR, GEORGETOWN, MARYLAND.

FORTY-SIX HOURS AGO.



I'M NOT BLIND, MERLIN. I SEE HER. RAVEN OF THE TEEN TITANS. SUPPOSEDLY A HERO.



BARON WINTERS

PEOPLE LIKE HER ARE WHY I MAKE IT A PRACTICE NEVER TO TRUST THE SELFLESS.



THEY ALWAYS INSIST ON DOING THE "RIGHT" THING INSTEAD OF WHAT I NEED. HUMMM?

YES! THERE IT IS. I KNEW IT. I WAS RIGHT.

YOU AND I ARE HERE TO MAINTAIN THE DELICATE BALANCE BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL.



BUT SEE THERE? SHE IS LITERALLY BOTH...AND IN ONE SUPPOSEDLY HARMONIOUS BODY.



BUT IF IT IS, WHY THEN IS THE DEMON TRYING TO ESCAPE? HUMMM?

OF COURSE, IF IT DOES, THE BALANCE WE'RE REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN WILL BE UTTERLY DESTROYED. AND WE CAN'T HAVE THAT, CAN WE?



SO NOW I HAVE TO LURE THIS ANGEL WITH DEVIL HORNS INTO FUELING AN APOCALYPSE NO ONE, MYSELF INCLUDED, CAN EXTINGUISH.

SOMETIMES I HATE THIS JOB, MERLIN. HATE IT.

THE GIRL WITH THE ANIME EYES PART ONE UNDER THE HOOD

MARV WOLFMAN WRITER
POP MHAN ARTIST
LOVERN KINDZIERSKI COLORIST

WHAT A GREAT, WONDERFUL NIGHT. I'M SO HAPPY WE DID THIS.

AND LET US NOT FORGET THAT WE HAVE THE WONDROUS RACHEL ROTH TO THANK FOR IT. GIVE IT UP FOR RACHEL.

DUDE

ANTT

RACHEL
A.K.A. RAVEN

ANTT, I ONLY SUGGESTED... I MEAN, LAST NIGHT IT JUST CAME TO ME.

I'M GLAD IT DID. I REALLY NEEDED THIS.

TERI

ARCHER

MADISON

SAIDA TEMOFONTE LETTERER
YANICK PAQUETTE COVER
NATHAN FAIRBAIRN COVER COLOR
BILL SIENKIEWICZ VARIANT COVER
MICHAEL McCALISTER ASSISTANT EDITOR
MARIE JAVINS GROUP EDITOR
JOEY CAVALIERI SOUL SELF
RAVEN CREATED BY MARV WOLFMAN AND GEORGE PÉREZ

WHICH IS WHY RACHEL IS HEREBY AWARDED ANTT'S CERTIFIED DOUBLE-DOWN SEAL OF APPROVAL.

IN WHICH CASE I ACCEPT AND RAISE YOU MY TRIPLE-DOWN GRATITUDE.

WHATEVER THAT MEANS.

I TRY TO SPEAK LIKE THEY DO, BUT HALF THE TIME I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I AM SAYING.



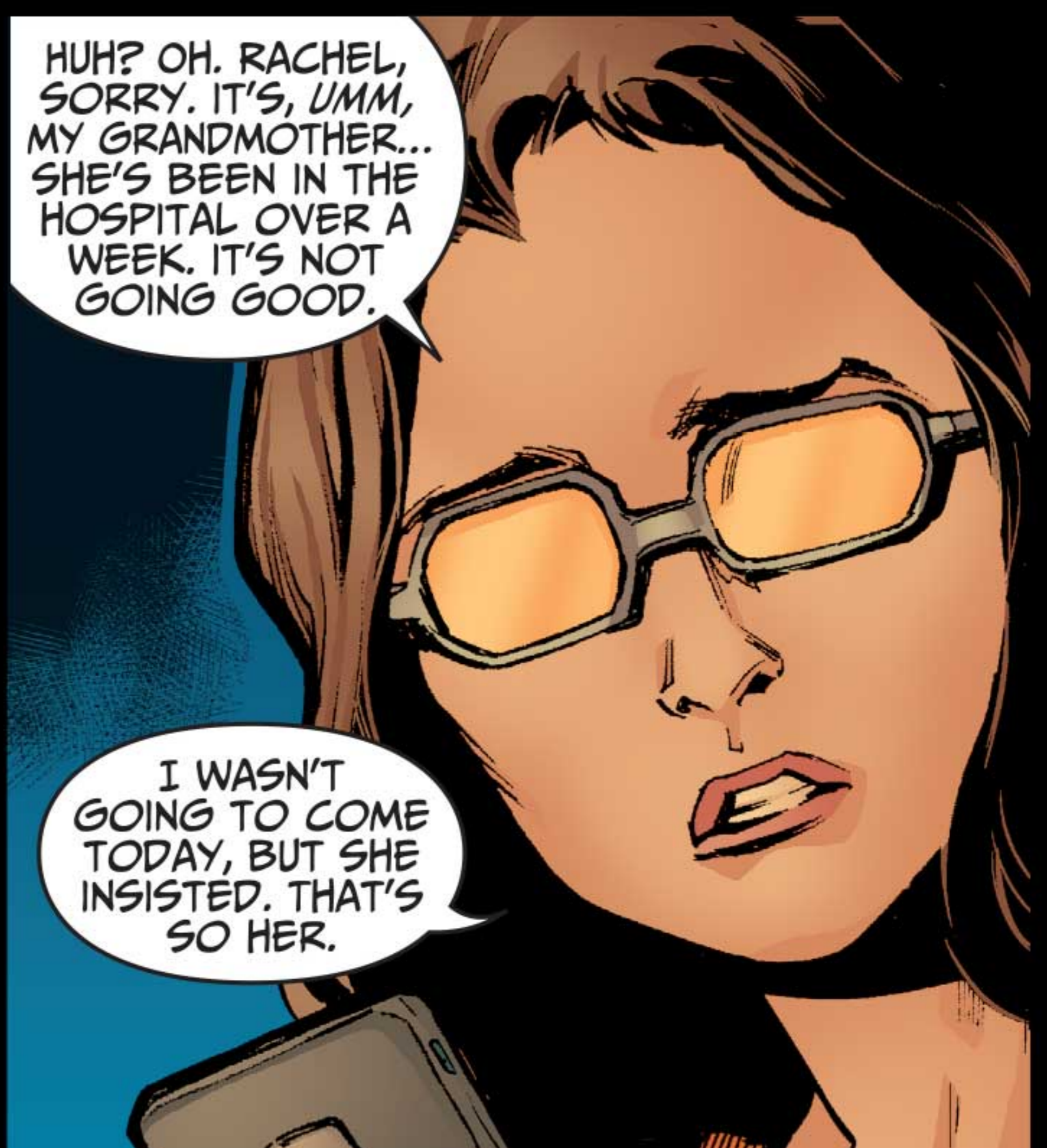
SIGHHHH DOESN'T GET BETTER.

ABSO-FREAKIN'-LUTELY.

BEST. BONFIRE. EVER.

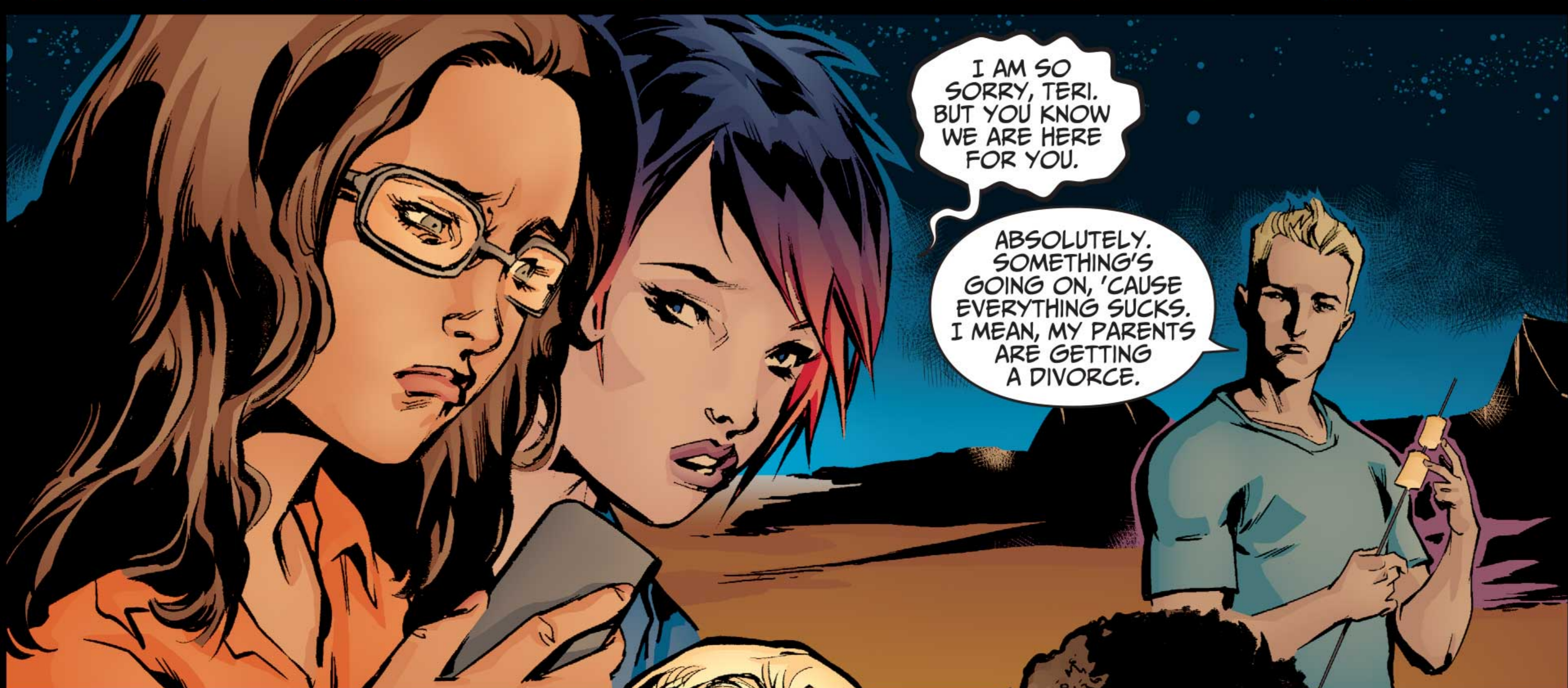


TERI. IS EVERYTHING OKAY? YOU KEEP CHECKING YOUR PHONE.



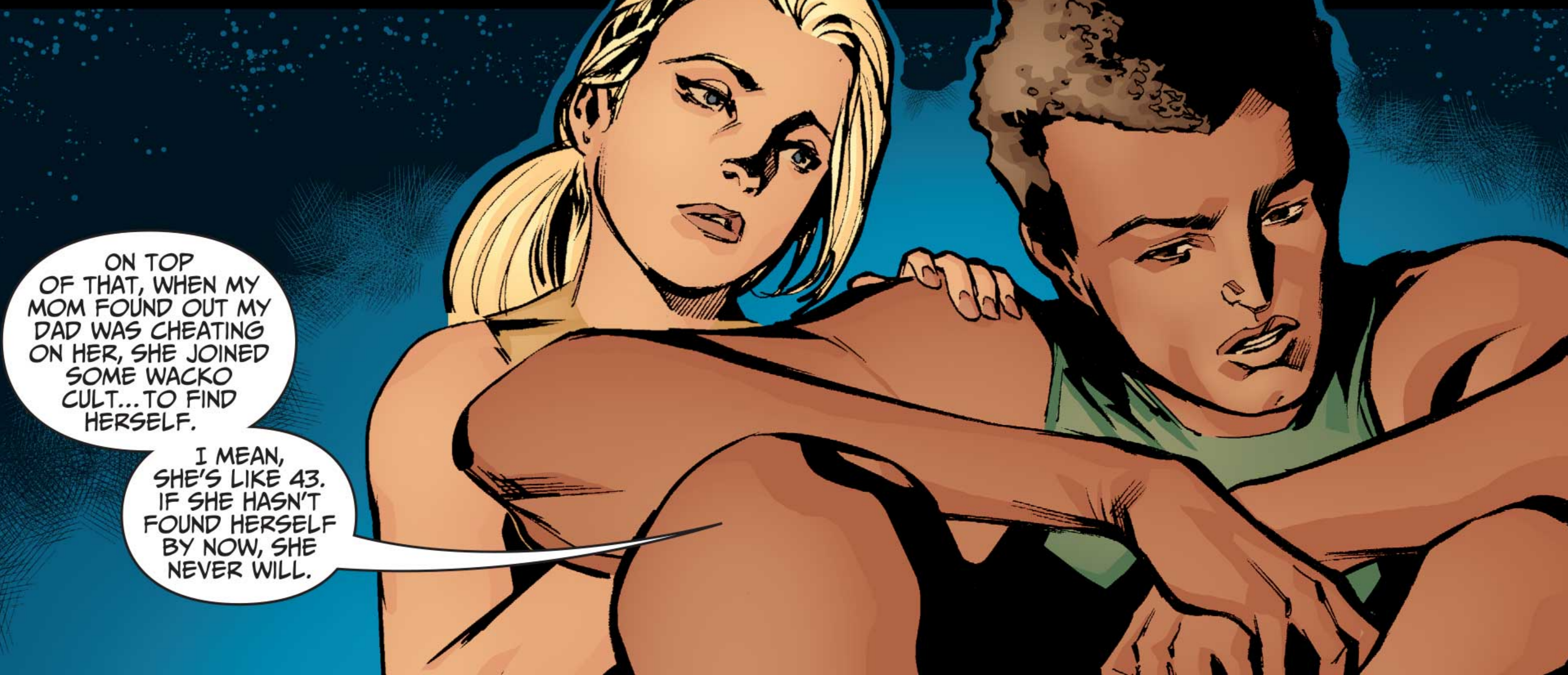
HUH? OH. RACHEL, SORRY. IT'S, UMM, MY GRANDMOTHER... SHE'S BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL OVER A WEEK. IT'S NOT GOING GOOD.

I WASN'T GOING TO COME TODAY, BUT SHE INSISTED. THAT'S SO HER.



I AM SO SORRY, TERI. BUT YOU KNOW WE ARE HERE FOR YOU.

ABSOLUTELY. SOMETHING'S GOING ON, 'CAUSE EVERYTHING SUCKS. I MEAN, MY PARENTS ARE GETTING A DIVORCE.



ON TOP OF THAT, WHEN MY MOM FOUND OUT MY DAD WAS CHEATING ON HER, SHE JOINED SOME WACKO CULT... TO FIND HERSELF.

I MEAN, SHE'S LIKE 43. IF SHE HASN'T FOUND HERSELF BY NOW, SHE NEVER WILL.



MY MOTHER... JOINED A CULT, TOO. I WAS BORN IN IT. AND I LIVED WITH HER UNTIL, WELL, I CAME TO SAN FRANCISCO.

YOU'RE KIDDING, REALLY?

WHAT KIND OF CULT?

I DID NOT PLAN TO TALK, BUT I FELT... COMFORTABLE. HOW IS THAT EVEN POSSIBLE? I AM NEVER COMFORTABLE.

I AM SORRY, REALLY. THAT WAS A MISTAKE. I SHOULD NOT HAVE SAID ANYTHING.

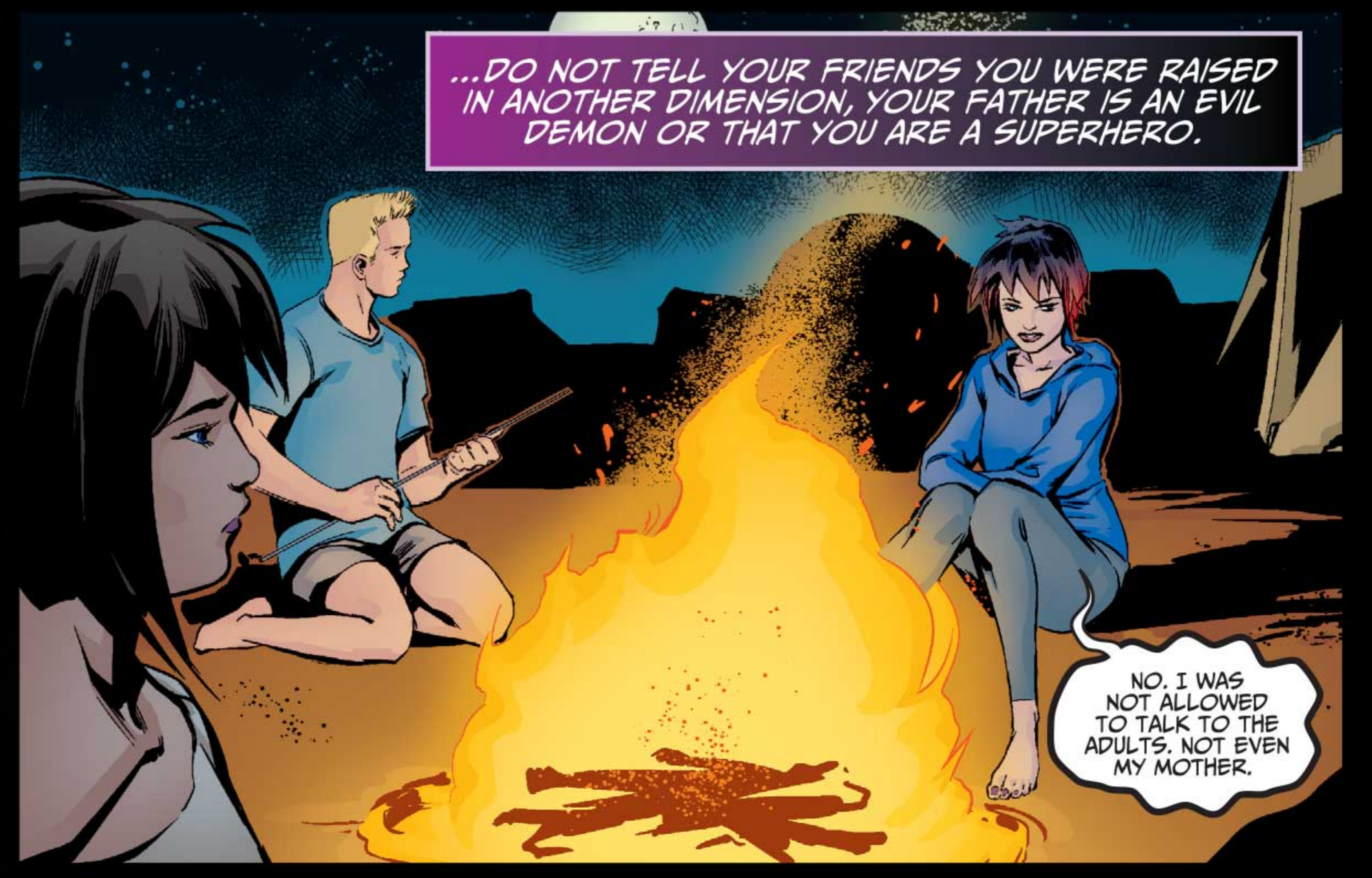


NO, NO. YOU NEVER TALK ABOUT YOURSELF. I LOVE THAT YOU DID.



RAVEN FACTOID NUMBER ONE. BY RAVEN, UNLESS YOU WANT TO WATCH THEIR HEADS EXPLODE...

NO. THERE WERE NO OTHER KIDS THERE TO PLAY WITH. I WAS IT.



...DO NOT TELL YOUR FRIENDS YOU WERE RAISED IN ANOTHER DIMENSION, YOUR FATHER IS AN EVIL DEMON OR THAT YOU ARE A SUPERHERO.

NO. I WAS NOT ALLOWED TO TALK TO THE ADULTS. NOT EVEN MY MOTHER.