

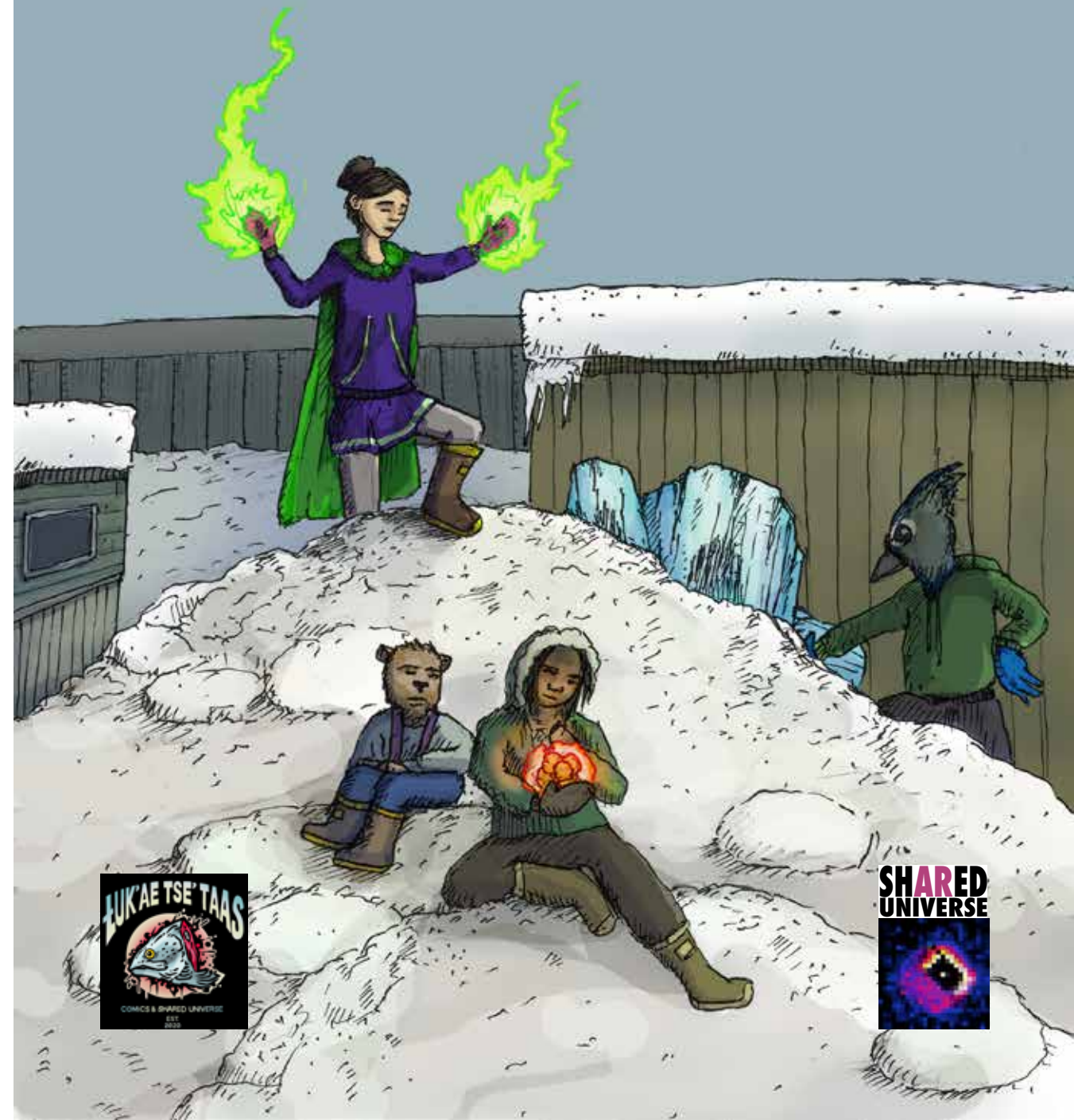
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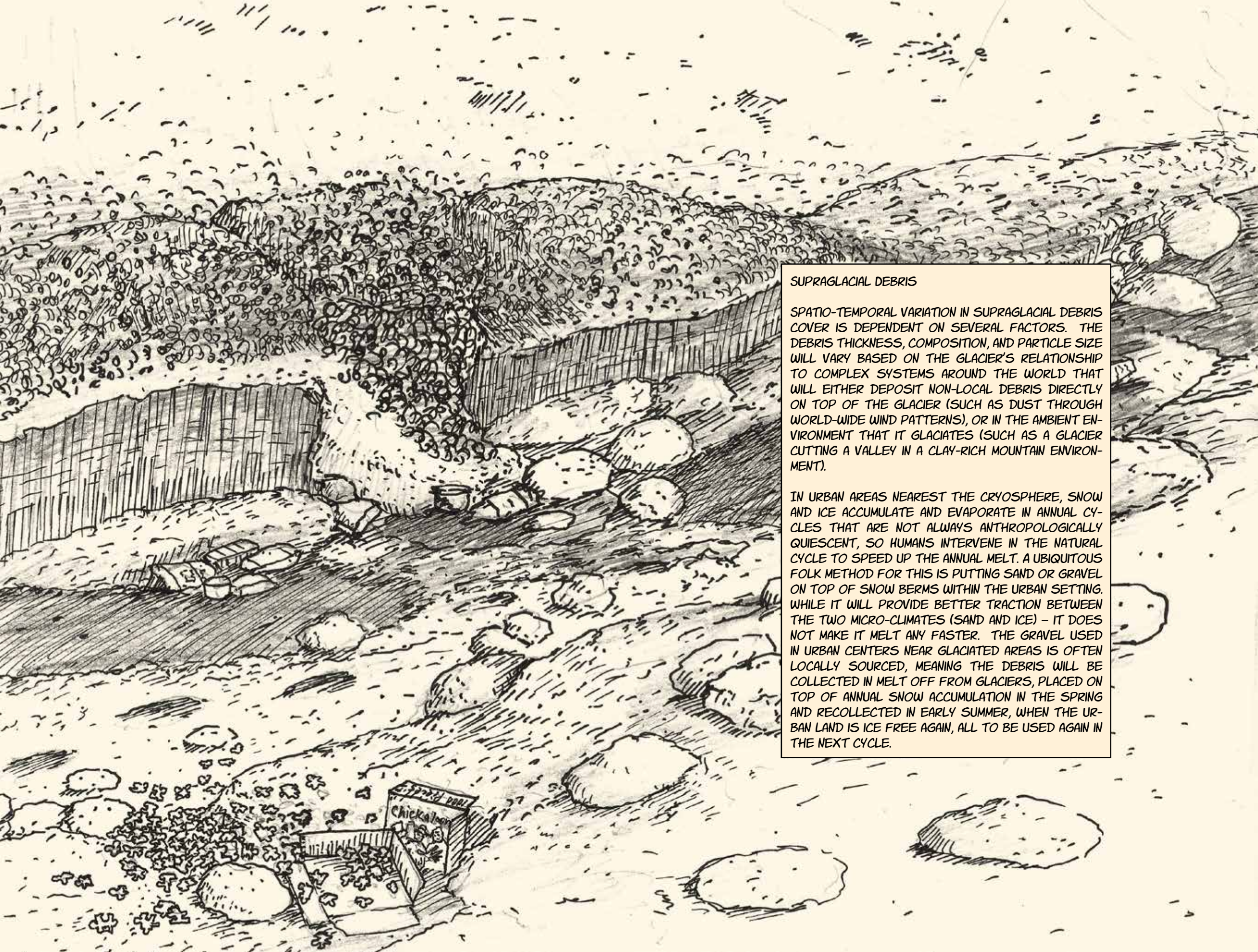
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# WINTERMOOT

ZERO CHAPTER: the BERRYWIND CUL-DE-SAC CYPHER

Story by Nathan Shafer and Joelle Howald





### SUPRAGLACIAL DEBRIS

SPATIO-TEMPORAL VARIATION IN SUPRAGLACIAL DEBRIS COVER IS DEPENDENT ON SEVERAL FACTORS. THE DEBRIS THICKNESS, COMPOSITION, AND PARTICLE SIZE WILL VARY BASED ON THE GLACIER'S RELATIONSHIP TO COMPLEX SYSTEMS AROUND THE WORLD THAT WILL EITHER DEPOSIT NON-LOCAL DEBRIS DIRECTLY ON TOP OF THE GLACIER (SUCH AS DUST THROUGH WORLD-WIDE WIND PATTERNS), OR IN THE AMBIENT ENVIRONMENT THAT IT GLACIATES (SUCH AS A GLACIER CUTTING A VALLEY IN A CLAY-RICH MOUNTAIN ENVIRONMENT).

IN URBAN AREAS NEAREST THE CRYOSPHERE, SNOW AND ICE ACCUMULATE AND EVAPORATE IN ANNUAL CYCLES THAT ARE NOT ALWAYS ANTHROPOLOGICALLY QUIESCENT, SO HUMANS INTERVENE IN THE NATURAL CYCLE TO SPEED UP THE ANNUAL MELT. A UBIQUITOUS FOLK METHOD FOR THIS IS PUTTING SAND OR GRAVEL ON TOP OF SNOW BERMS WITHIN THE URBAN SETTING. WHILE IT WILL PROVIDE BETTER TRACTION BETWEEN THE TWO MICRO-CLIMATES (SAND AND ICE) - IT DOES NOT MAKE IT MELT ANY FASTER. THE GRAVEL USED IN URBAN CENTERS NEAR GLACIATED AREAS IS OFTEN LOCALLY SOURCED, MEANING THE DEBRIS WILL BE COLLECTED IN MELT OFF FROM GLACIERS, PLACED ON TOP OF ANNUAL SNOW ACCUMULATION IN THE SPRING AND RECOLLECTED IN EARLY SUMMER, WHEN THE URBAN LAND IS ICE FREE AGAIN, ALL TO BE USED AGAIN IN THE NEXT CYCLE.

# WINTERMOOT

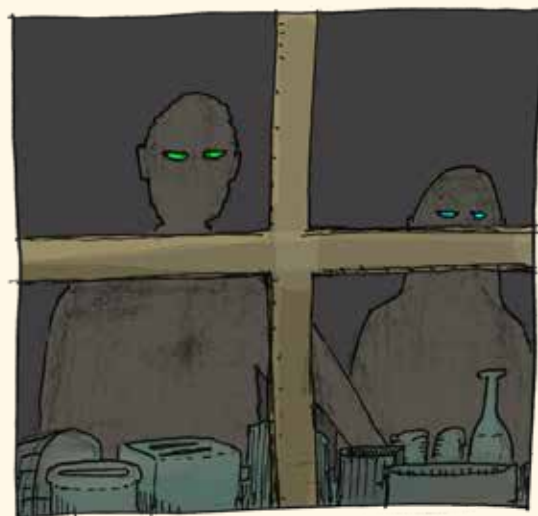
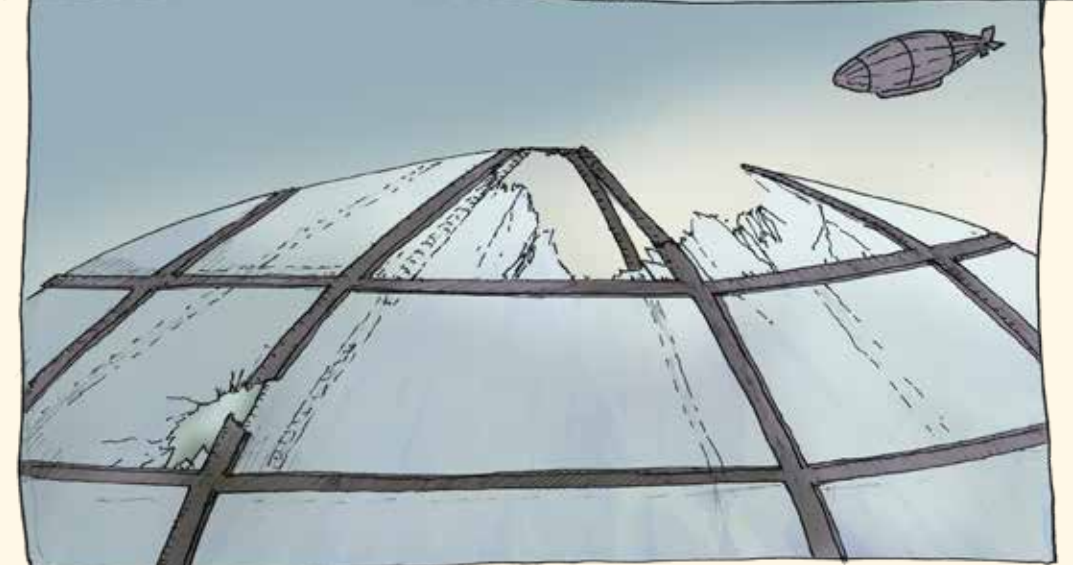
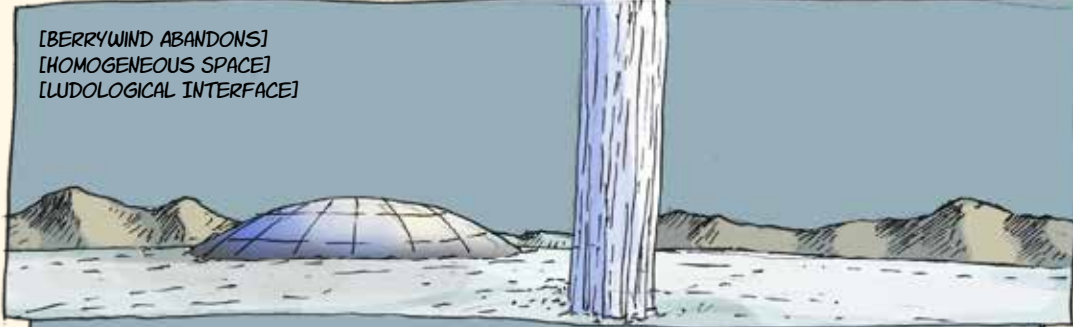
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FROM THE SUBNIVEAN, AGAIN

A FEW YEARS AFTER GREENIE AND I HAD FALLEN IN LOVE WE LET OUR POWERS START TO REVERSE. GREENIE DIDN'T WANT TO LIVE ON THE BOREALIS DOCK ANYMORE AND THE ONLY WAY FOR HIM TO STAY SAFE ON THE SURFACE OF THE EARTH WAS FOR HIM TO QUIT USING HIS POWERS ALTOGETHER. I STOPPED USING MINE AS WELL, JUST SO HE DIDN'T FEEL LONELY. BUT, SINCE WE TOUCHED THE SOURCE, WE WERE GOING TO LIVE FOREVER. EVENTUALLY WE STOPPED TEACHING WINTERMOOT -- THEN GREENIE AND I VIRTUALIZED TO THE BERRYWIND ABANDONS. WINTERMOOT STOPPED HAPPENING AFTER WE DID THAT. THEN ONE DAY KIDS STARTED SHOWING UP. WE NEVER HAD KIDS OF OUR OWN, WHICH CAN MAKE IMMORTALITY A LITTLE STRANGE. ALSO, YOUR POWERS NEVER REALLY GO ALL THE WAY AWAY, AND I CAN MAKE BELIEVE BETTER THAN ANYONE, SO WE ARE JUST MOSTLY UNSEEN. PLUS, CHESTER IS STILL A LITTLE -- LET'S SAY NOT TOTALLY EARTH STABLE. OF COURSE, THIS WAS BEFORE WE WENT WITH MARS AND SHANNON TO BERNARD'S STAR SYSTEM.

-- OLIVE VIDALIA, AKA THE SUBNIVEAN MISTRESS

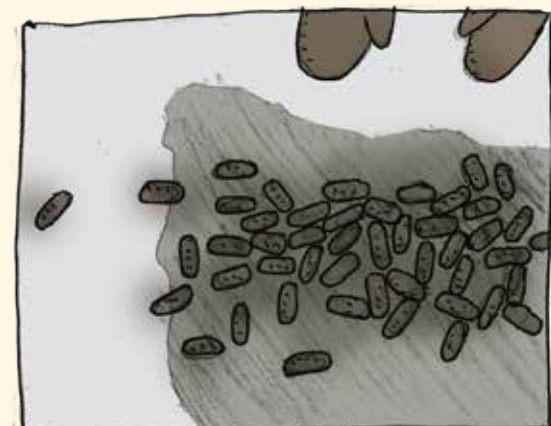


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THE BERRYWIND CUL-DE-SAC CYpher



WITH THESE BERRIES FROM A MAGIC PATCH -- HIDDEN IN THE VIRTUAL TUNDRAS OF CYBERINGIA--

BORN OF THE FELL WINDS OF THE UNKNOWN --





STATUS REPORT.

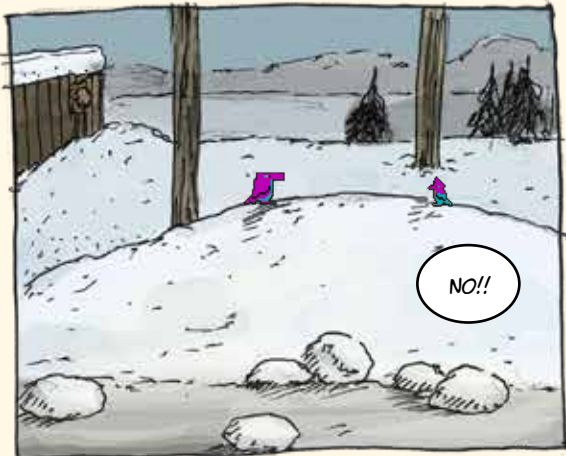
AARIGAA! MOST OF THEIR GARRISON IS IMMOBILIZED!

EXCEPT FOR MY OLD FOE, THE VILE CAPTAIN ABLATION!

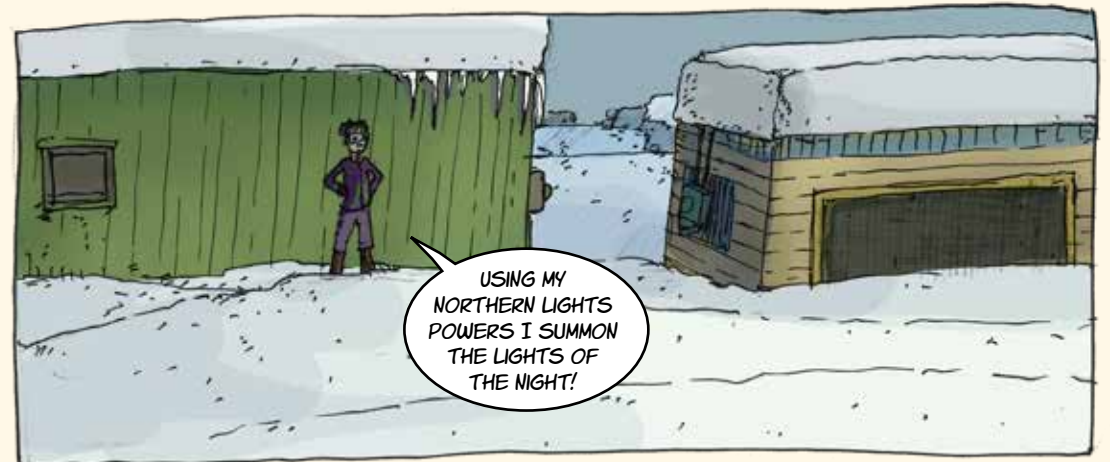


NOBODY CALLS ME THAT YOU TRUCK NUT!

I'M USING MY GLACIER POWERS TO UNFREEZE MY FRIENDS!



THE POWERS OF THE BERRYVERSE MUST ONLY BE USED IN BALANCE!



USING MY NORTHERN LIGHTS POWERS I SUMMON THE LIGHTS OF THE NIGHT!



PROFESSOR SPACE WEATHER, YOU FOOL! IT IS THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY! HA HA HA!

YOUR PITIFUL POWERS WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON ME!

THOUGH THEY MAY NOT BE SEEN, THEY ARE VERY MUCH STILL HERE!



AHOY! ALL YOU DINGLE-BERRIES!

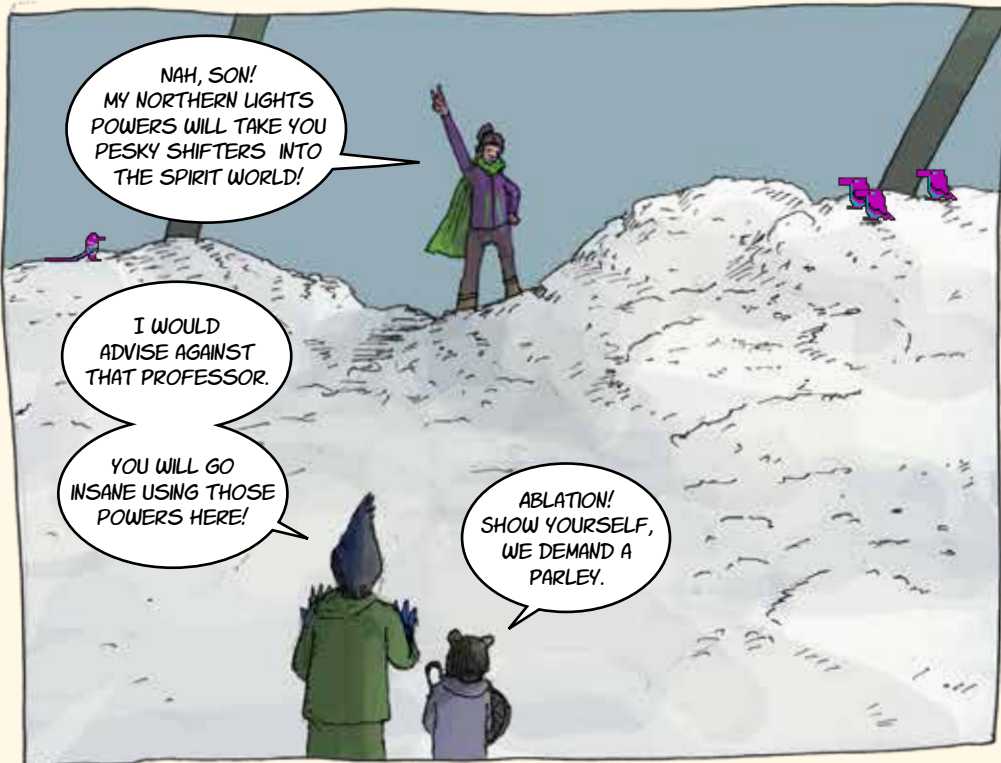


THOSE HALF-HUMAN KIDS ARE BACK!



IT'S OVER PROFESSOR SPACE WEATHER!

THE CUL-DE-SAC IS NEUTRAL TERRITORY.



NAH, SON! MY NORTHERN LIGHTS POWERS WILL TAKE YOU PESKY SHIFTERS INTO THE SPIRIT WORLD!

I WOULD ADVISE AGAINST THAT PROFESSOR.

YOU WILL GO INSANE USING THOSE POWERS HERE!

ABLATION! SHOW YOURSELF, WE DEMAND A PARLEY.



OI, STELLER'S FARTWING! BLOW IT OUT YOUR CLOACA!



THE HALF-HUMAN GARRISON DEMANDS A PARLEY.

ALL PARLEYS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY DRUMS.



THE DOMEWINDS DEMAND WE DANCE INTO PARLEY.



THE LAWS OF THE DOMEWINDS ARE NOT OUR WAYS.

WE ARE HERE TO DEAL WITH ABLATION -- SHE HAS SULLIED THE ETEH.



THERE MUST BE RESTITUTION PAID.

NOT GOING TO HAPPEN, ABLATION IS SAFE!

SHE IS IN OUR SPACE.

THEN PARLEY DRUMS IT IS! ADVANCE!



STOP YOUR ADVANCE INTO THE CUL-DE-SAC!

CAPTAIN ABLATION IS SAFE.



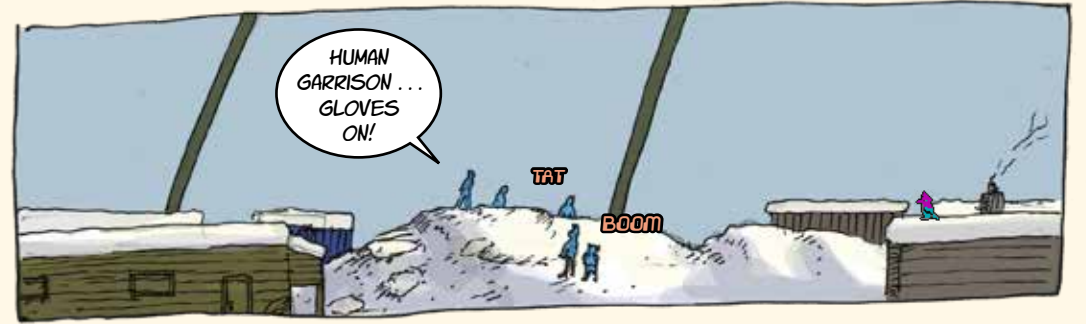
THEY HAVE INVOKED PARLEY WITH DRUMS.

I WILL HONOR THE DOMEWINDS.

PROFESSOR SPACE WEATHER, I AM READY.



VERY WELL.



HUMAN GARRISON... GLOVES ON!

TAT

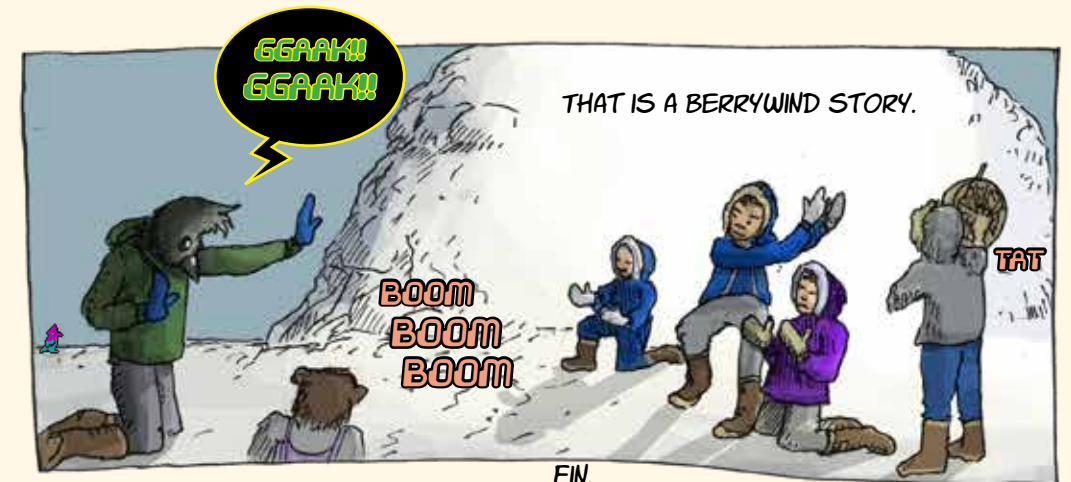
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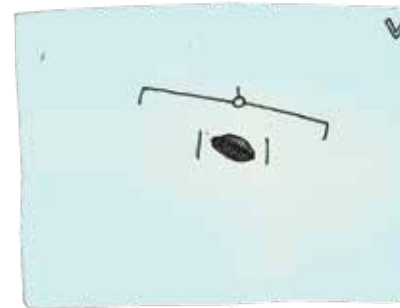
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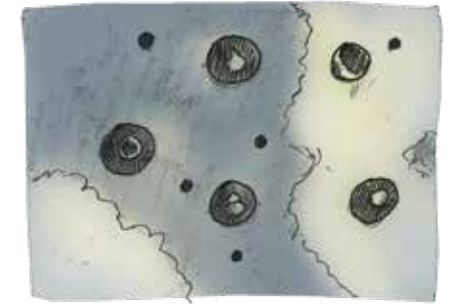
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MYSTERY AIRSHIP 1897



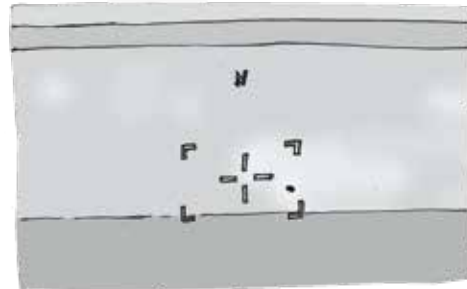
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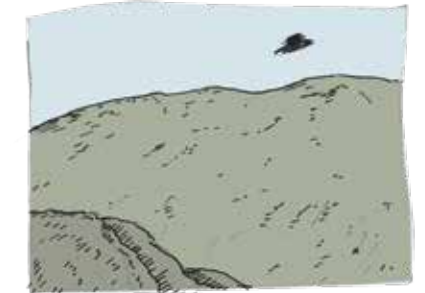
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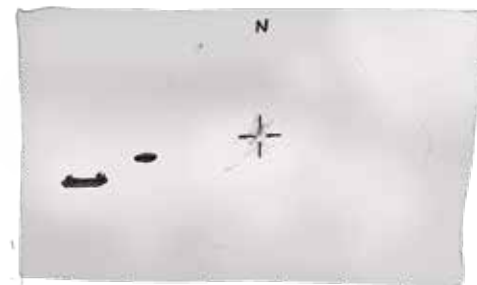
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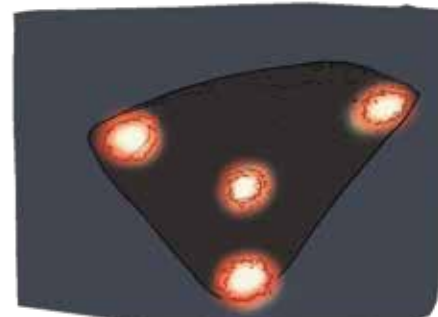
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HOLLOWMAN AIR DEVELOPMENT  
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BELGIAN TRIANGLE



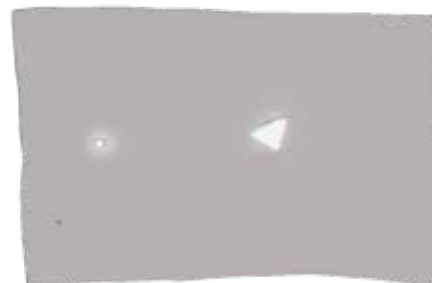
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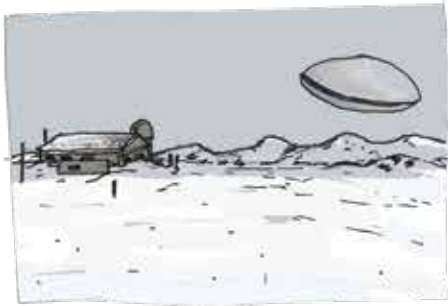
SANTA ANA, CA AUGUST 1965



NEW MEXICO MARCH 1967

# PREVIEW FOR WILDMEN OF DENALI

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CHALK MOUNTAIN MARCH 1966



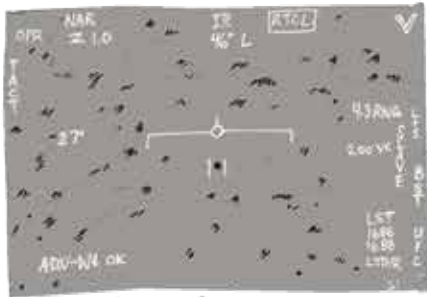
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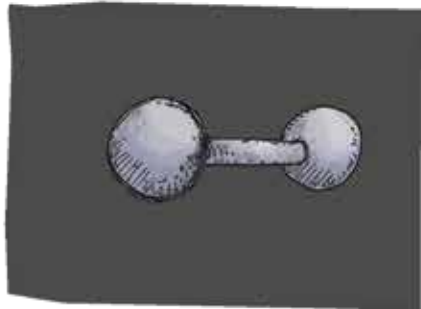
MARIANA FOOTAGE 1950



"GIMBAL" FOOTAGE 2015



"GO FAST" FOOTAGE 2015



PUERTO RICO 1987



WORM SHAPED CLOUD OVER LAZY MOUNTAIN



SKY SPIRAL IN NORTHERN LIGHTS AK 2023



YAMHILL COUNTY 1950



USA 1947



[PREVIOUSLY IN WINTERMOOT]  
[BOOK FIVE: SLACK TIDES]

LOOK! A SHOOTING STAR!

IT IS PROBABLY A SATELLITE.

NOW THERE APPEARS TO BE A GIGANTIC CRACK IN THE SKY! AND EVERYONE ON THE GROUND IS STILL SPINNING!

[CURRENTLY IN WINTERMOOT]  
[ISTARFRUIT AND THE NELVANAI]

SO, I THINK IT IS OFFICIALLY THE MOUNTAIN SIZED SQUATCH.

GOOD. THAT RABBIT IS A DICK.

AND WE KINDA DIE FROM RADIATION POISONING

MOUNTAIN SQUATCH MEANS WE NEED TO ACTIVATE YOUR SISTER.

ACTIVATE?

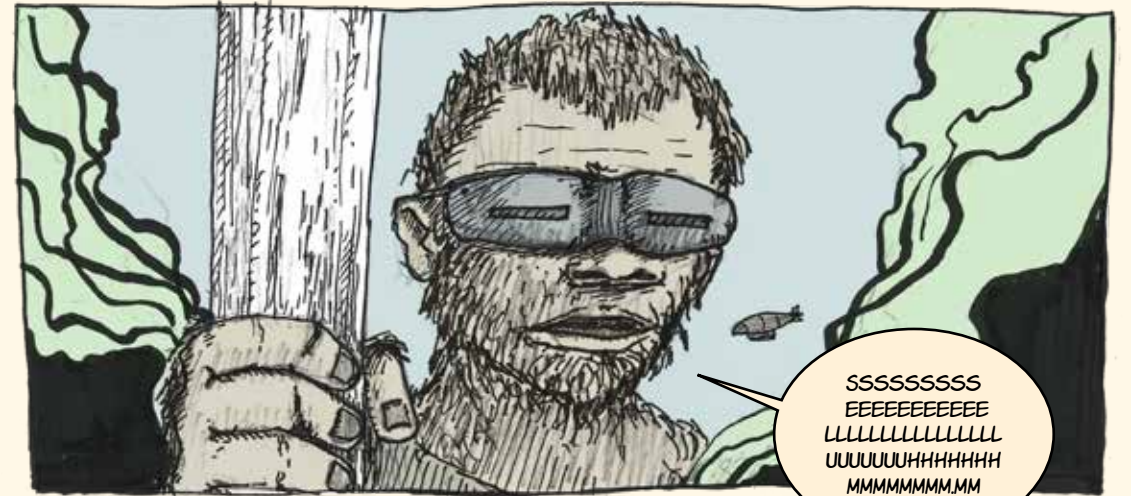
I HAVE BEEN HIDING HER LATENT PLASMAVERSE POWERS.

NO SHIT?

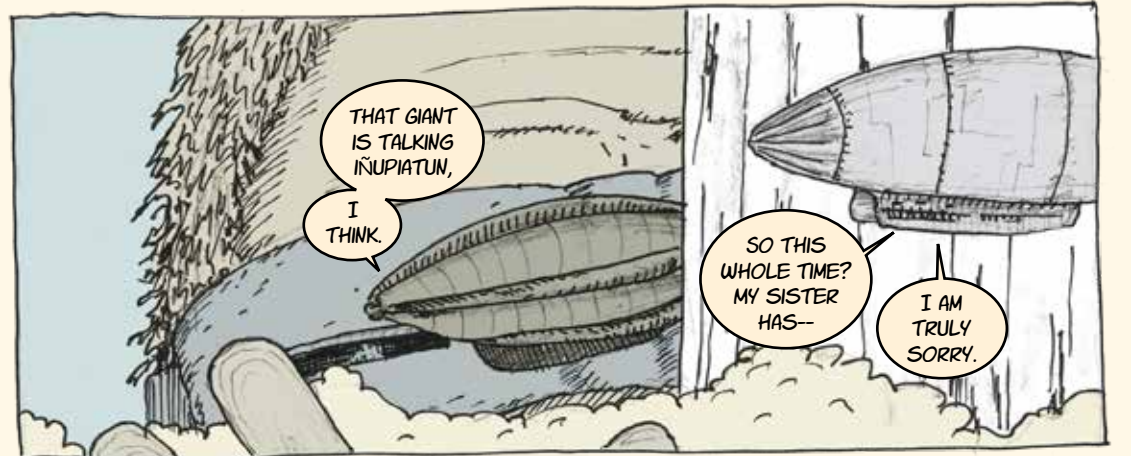
YEAH. SORRY.

NO, IT'S...

PREVIEW FOR WINTERMOOT BOOK EIGHT:  
TROLL CAT AND MILK RABBIT



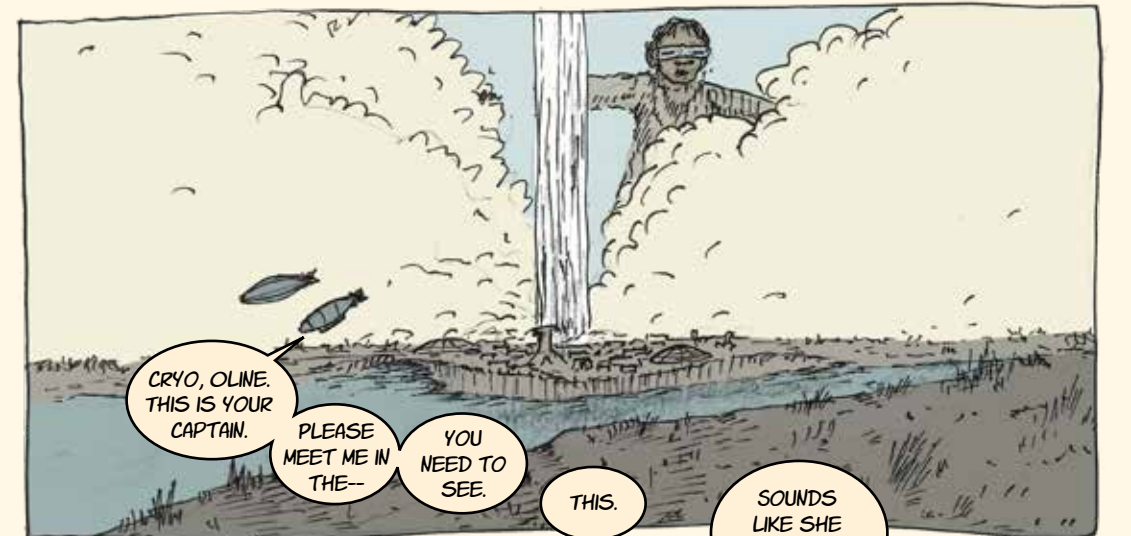
SSSSSSSSSS  
EEEEEEEEEEEE  
LLLLLLLLLLLLLLLL  
UUUUUUUUHHHHHHH  
MMMMMMMMMM



THAT GIANT IS TALKING INUPIATUN, I THINK.

SO THIS WHOLE TIME? MY SISTER HAS--

I AM TRULY SORRY.



CRYO, OLINE. THIS IS YOUR CAPTAIN.

PLEASE MEET ME IN THE--

YOU NEED TO SEE.

THIS.

SOUNDS LIKE SHE FIGURED IT OUT.

SLACK TIDES CONCLUDES IN THE NEXT BOOK.