

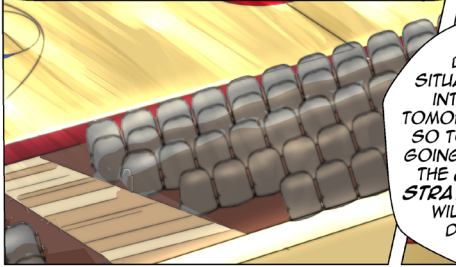


Episode 8: FFH vs. ESC

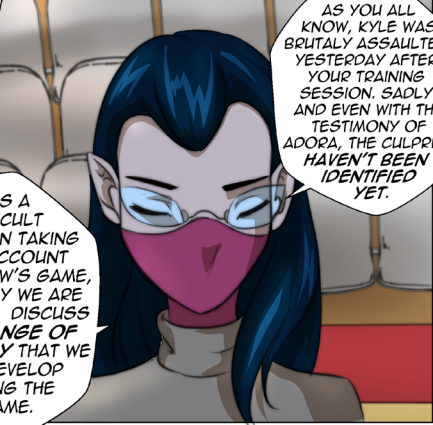




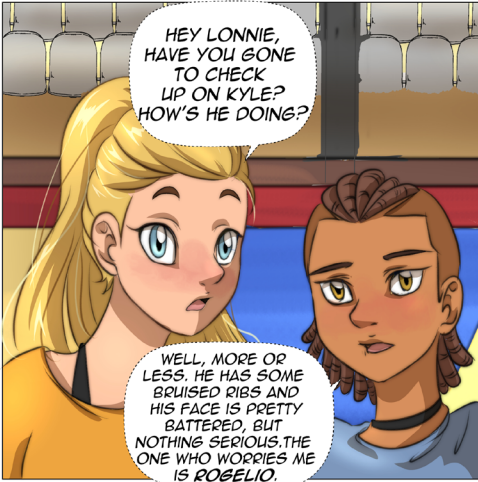
TODAY IS THE EVE OF THE BIG GAME AGAINST ETHERIAN STUDIES CENTRE (KNOWN AS ESC), BUT THE SITUATION COULDN'T BE WORSE FOR HORDE HIGH. SOMETHING UNEXPECTED MIGHT HAPPEN, THOUGH...



IT IS A DIFFICULT SITUATION TAKING INTO ACCOUNT TOMORROW'S GAME, SO TODAY WE ARE GOING TO DISCUSS THE CHANGE OF STRATEGY THAT WE WILL DEVELOP DURING THE GAME.

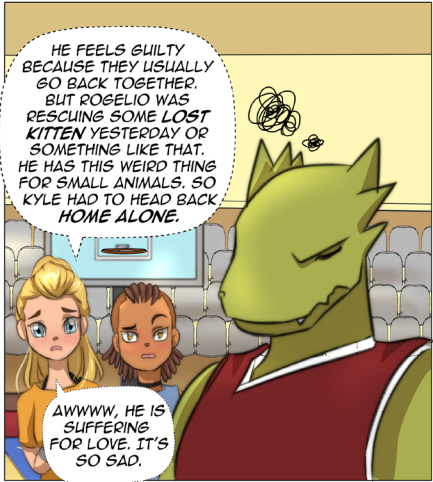


AS YOU ALL KNOW, KYLE WAS BRUTALLY ASSAULTED YESTERDAY AFTER YOUR TRAINING SESSION. SADLY AND EVEN WITH THE TESTIMONY OF ADORA, THE CULPRITS HAVEN'T BEEN IDENTIFIED YET.



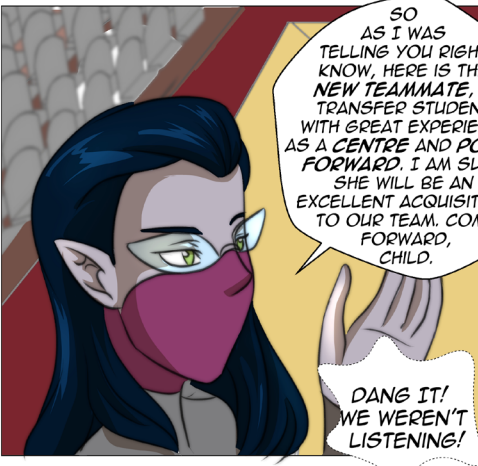
HEY LONNIE, HAVE YOU GONE TO CHECK UP ON KYLE? HOW'S HE DOING?

WELL, MORE OR LESS. HE HAS SOME BRUISED RIBS AND HIS FACE IS PRETTY BATTERED, BUT NOTHING SERIOUS. THE ONE WHO WORRIES ME IS ROBELIO.



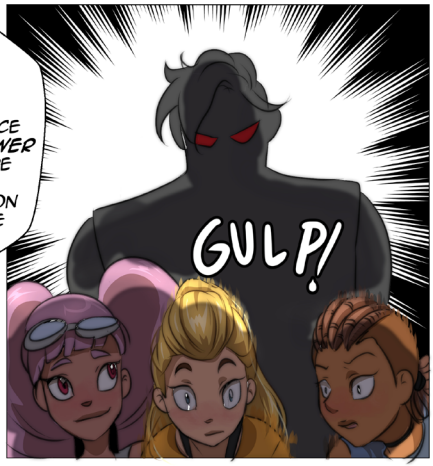
HE FEELS GUILTY BECAUSE THEY USUALLY GO BACK TOGETHER. BUT ROBELIO WAS RESCUING SOME LOST KITTEN YESTERDAY OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. HE HAS THIS WEIRD THING FOR SMALL ANIMALS. SO KYLE HAD TO HEAD BACK HOME ALONE.

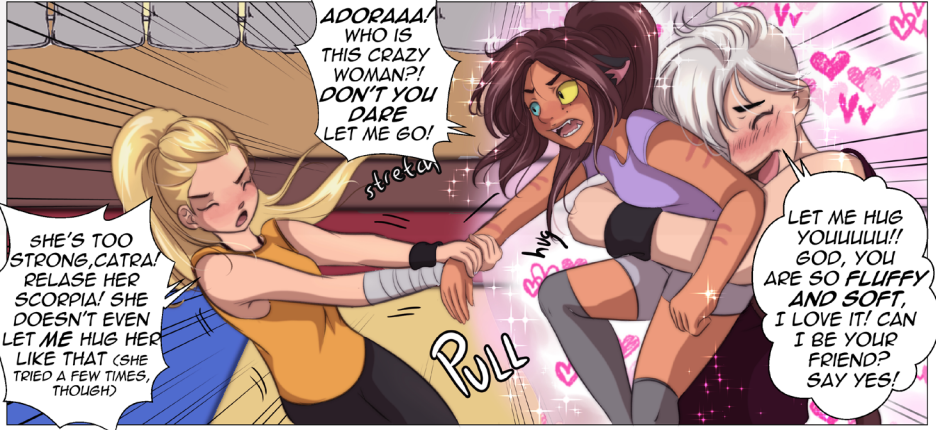
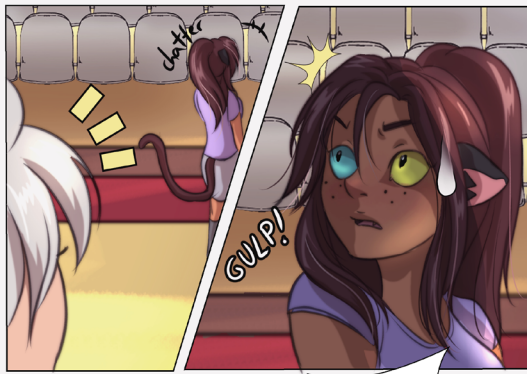
AWWWW, HE IS SUFFERING FOR LOVE. IT'S SO SAD.

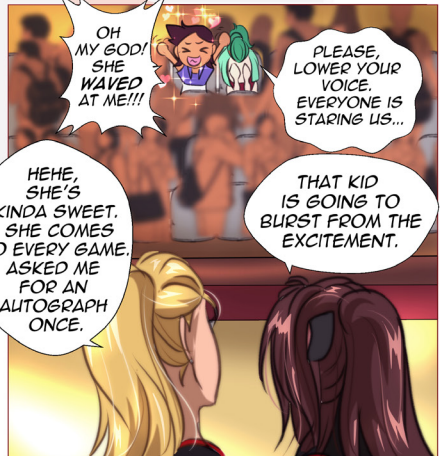
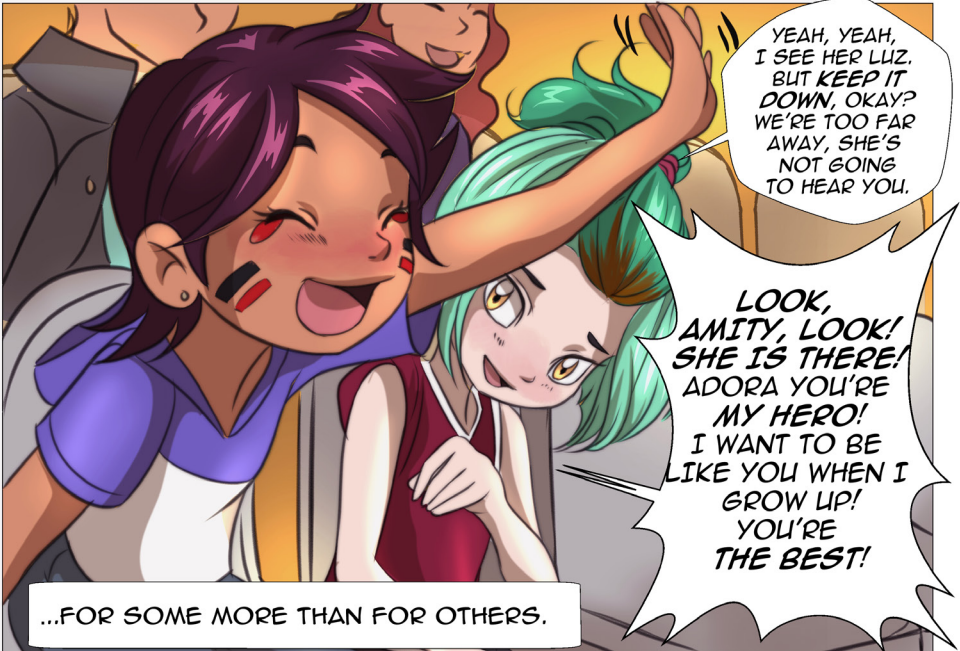
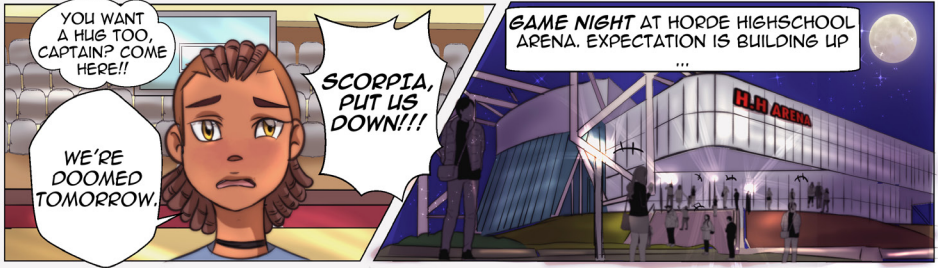


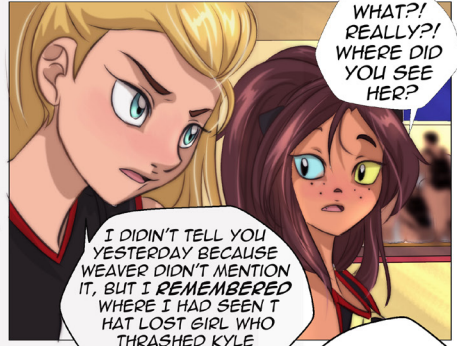
SO AS I WAS TELLING YOU RIGHT KNOW, HERE IS THE NEW TEAMMATE, A TRANSFER STUDENT WITH GREAT EXPERIENCE AS A CENTRE AND POWER FORWARD. I AM SURE SHE WILL BE AN EXCELLENT ACQUISITION TO OUR TEAM. COME FORWARD, CHILD.

DANG IT! WE WEREN'T LISTENING!





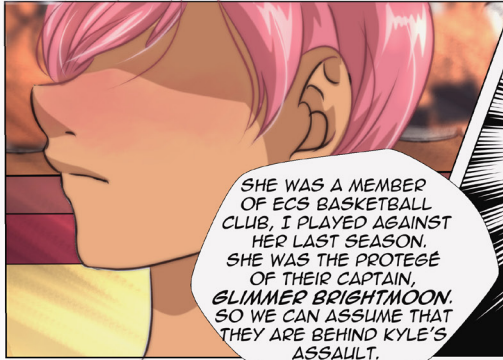




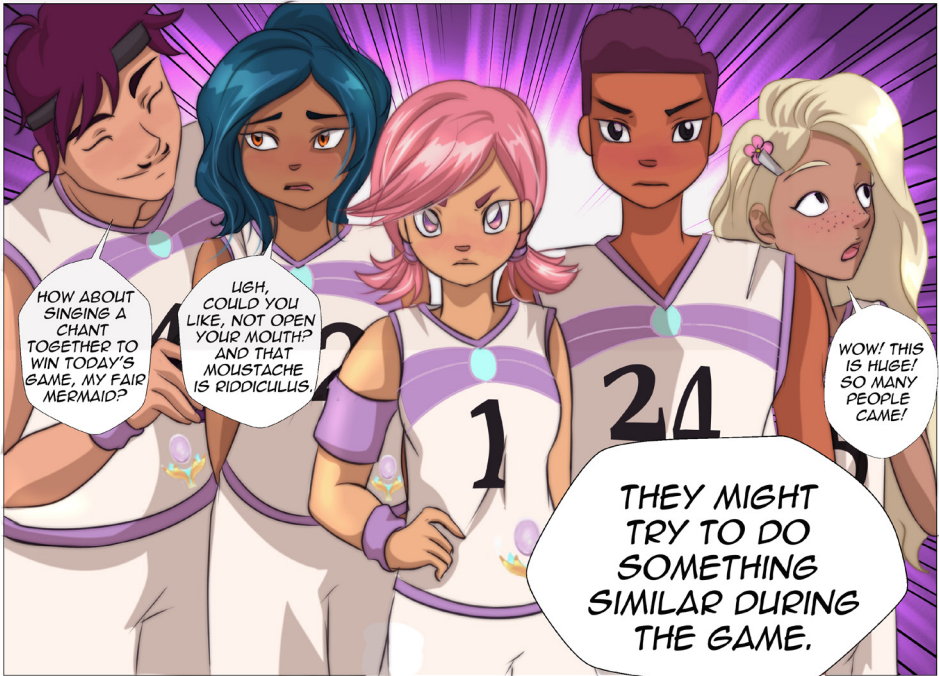
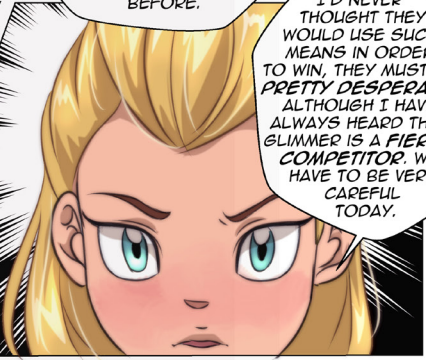
WHAT?! REALLY?! WHERE DID YOU SEE HER?

I DIDN'T TELL YOU YESTERDAY BECAUSE WEAVER DIDN'T MENTION IT, BUT I REMEMBERED WHERE I HAD SEEN THAT LOST GIRL WHO THRASHED KYLE BEFORE.

I'D NEVER THOUGHT THEY WOULD USE SUCH MEANS IN ORDER TO WIN, THEY MUST BE PRETTY DESPERATE. ALTHOUGH I HAVE ALWAYS HEARD THAT GLIMMER IS A FIERCE COMPETITOR. WE HAVE TO BE VERY CAREFUL TODAY.



SHE WAS A MEMBER OF ECS BASKETBALL CLUB, I PLAYED AGAINST HER LAST SEASON. SHE WAS THE PROTEGE OF THEIR CAPTAIN, GLIMMER BRIGHTMOON. SO WE CAN ASSUME THAT THEY ARE BEHIND KYLE'S ASSAULT.

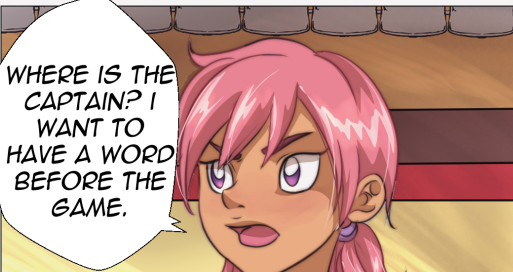


HOW ABOUT SINGING A CHANT TOGETHER TO WIN TODAY'S GAME, MY FAIR MERMAID?

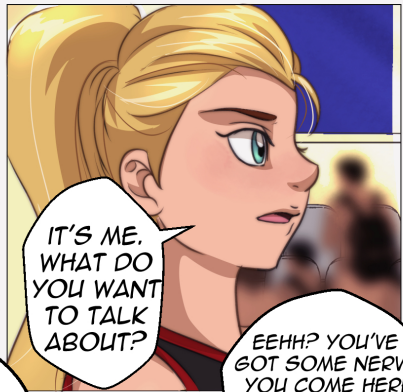
UGH, COULD YOU LIKE, NOT OPEN YOUR MOUTH? AND THAT MOUSTACHE IS RIDDICULLUS.

WOW! THIS IS HUGE! SO MANY PEOPLE CAME!

THEY MIGHT TRY TO DO SOMETHING SIMILAR DURING THE GAME.



WHERE IS THE CAPTAIN? I WANT TO HAVE A WORD BEFORE THE GAME.

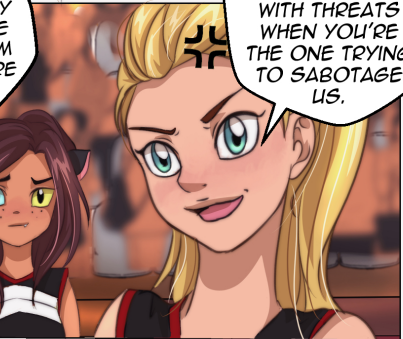


IT'S ME. WHAT DO YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT?

EEHH? YOU'VE GOT SOME NERVE YOU COME HERE WITH THREATS WHEN YOU'RE THE ONE TRYING TO SABOTAGE US.

GLIMMER, REMEMBER WE AGREED NOT TO BRING UP THE TOPIC...

I JUST WANT TO WARN YOU. TODAY WE'RE GOING TO MAKE YOU PAY FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE. YOU HORDE SCUM ARE THE WORST AND WE'RE GOING TO PUT YOU IN YOUR PLACE,



SABOTAGE? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! YOU'RE THE ONES TRYING TO DESTROY OUR REPUTATION FOR YOUR OWN BENEFIT!

WHO ARE YOU CALLING MIDGET, YOU GIANT WOMAN?! THAT'S IT, YOU'VE DONE IT. I'M GONNA MAKE YOU A NEW FACE!!

BRING IT ON SHORTY!! MAYBE YOU'LL REACH MY COLLARBONE IF YOU STRETCH! YOU'RE GOING TO BITE THE DUST TONIGHT!

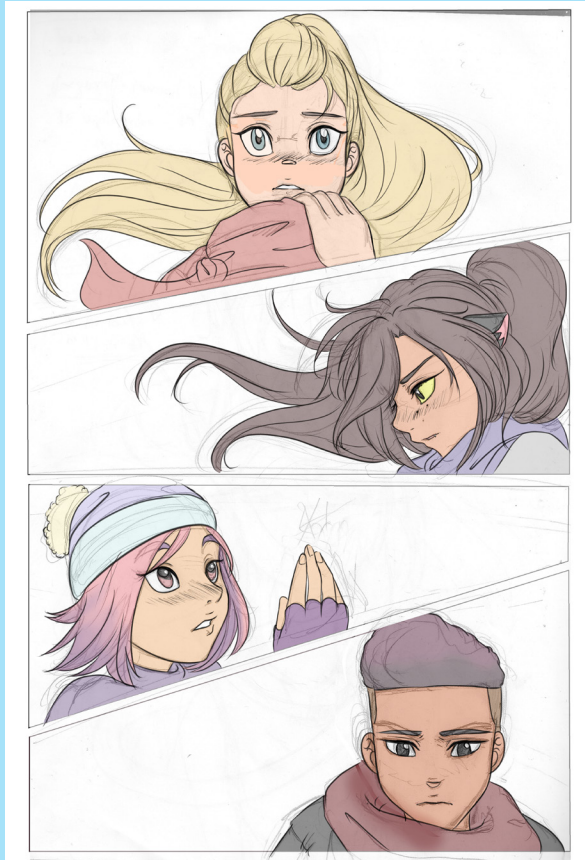


DON'T PLAY DUMB, MIDGET WE KNOW WHAT YOU'RE PLANNING AND WE'RE GOING TO STOP YOU.



GRRRR!!

IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE AN INTERESTING MATCH.



There is a moment through the process of creating a picture when something just clicks in my head and then the perfect background and expressions appear so clearly in my mind that I am sure that I will be able to transport that image from my brain to the paper. This didn't use to happen in the past, and I think that is the cause I felt so frustrated and I stopped drawing for almost five years. So if you're struggling because you're not able to recreate on paper exactly what you have in your head don't worry. Everything comes with time. Rest, watch a movie and go back at it when you feel better.

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