

# The Rush of New Reality



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**BEEP BEEP BEEEP**

IT CAN'T BE TIME  
ALREADY.



**BEEP  
BEEP**

IT'S NOT  
POSSIBLE...



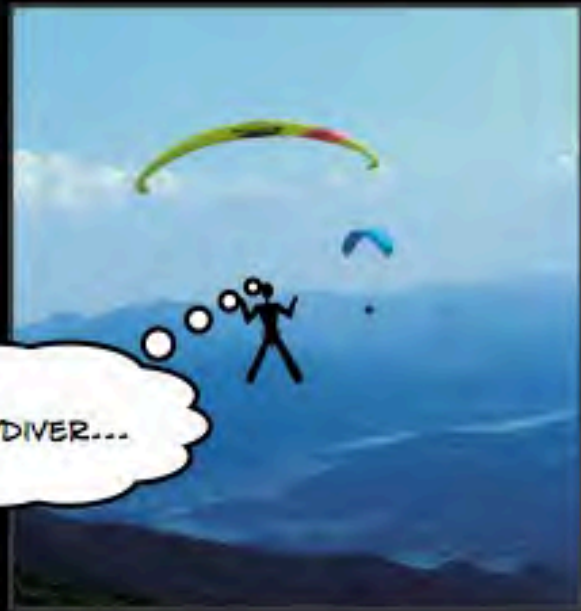
NOT ANOTHER DAY  
OF THAT JOB! I'LL  
GO CRAZY!



**SMACK**

**BEEP**

ALRIGHT  
ALREADY!





I WISH I WAS ANYWHERE BUT HERE.



WHOA!!

**CRASH**  
**CRASH**

AIDAN SLOWLY REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS...



I'M AFRAID TO SEE THE DAMAGE.



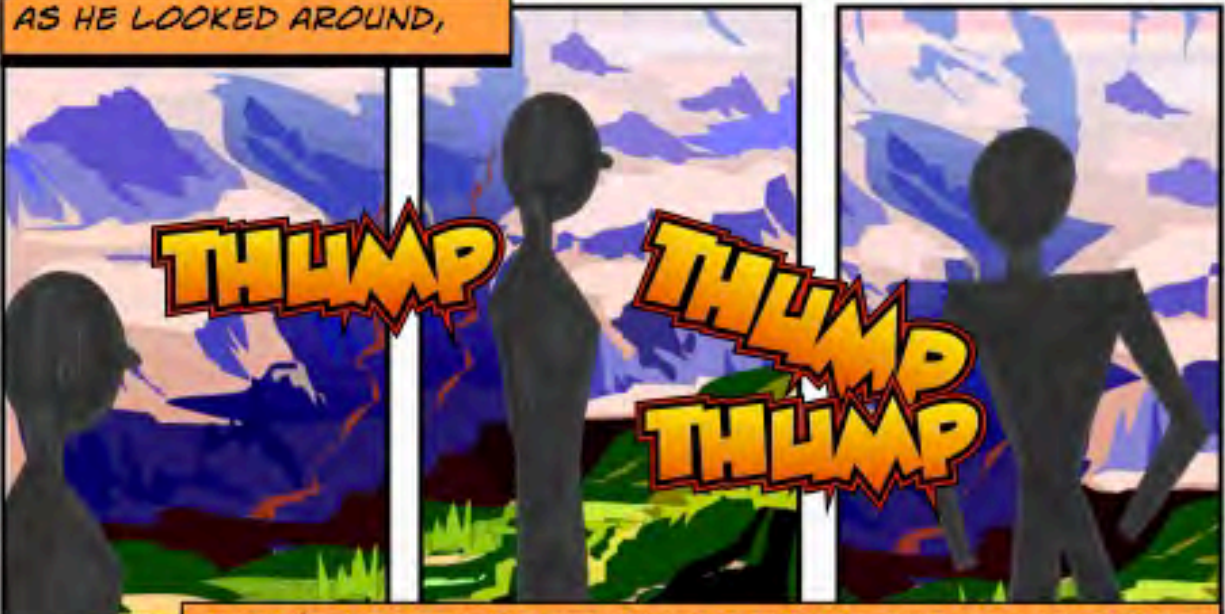
**WASP**

HOW DID...?

WHAT THE...?

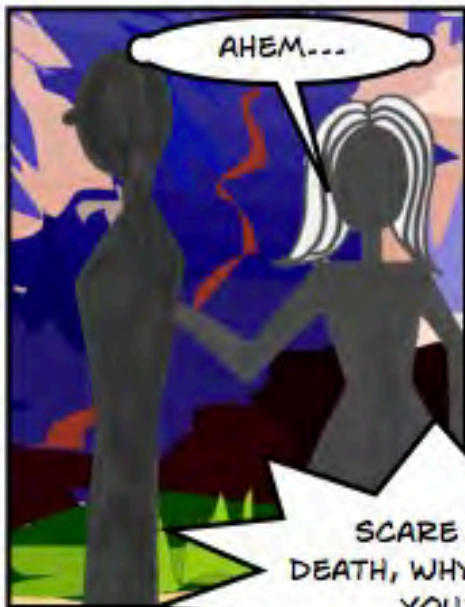


AS HE LOOKED AROUND,

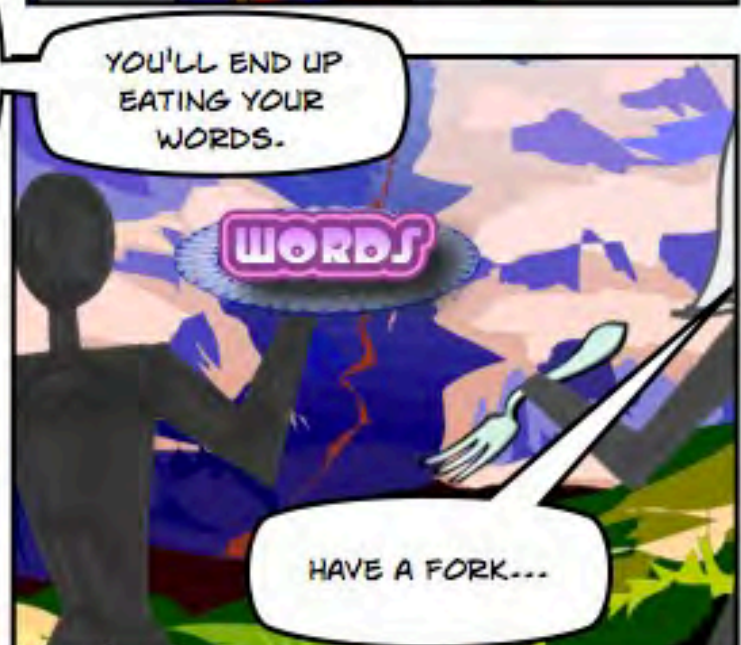
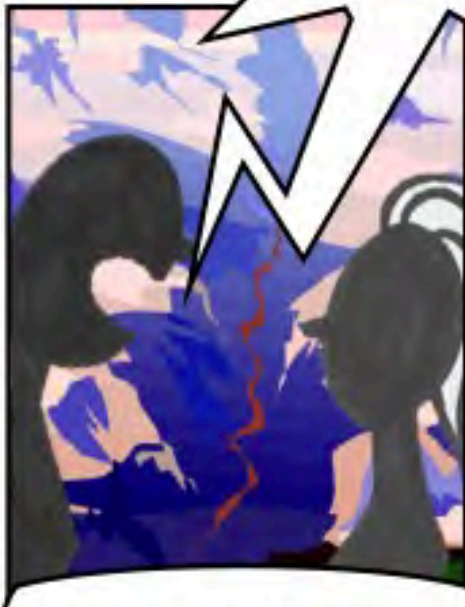


AIDAN'S HEART WAS TRYING TO THUMP OUT OF HIS CHEST





SCARE ME TO DEATH, WHY DON'T YOU?!







AFTER WALKING FOR MILES...







AIDAN FROZE...

RUSTLE

HOW DID YOU...?

OH NO! I'M SORRY!  
I SHOULDN'T HAVE SAID THAT!



WE HAVE TO BE VERY CAREFUL OF WHAT WE SAY AROUND HERE.

WHOOOOSH



WHOA!

HOW DID THAT HAPPEN?

Hiss

Hiss

IF WE AFFECT TOO MUCH WITHOUT ACTIVELY CREATING IT OURSELVES, THE WORLD GETS...OUT OF CONTROL



YOU SHOULDN'T BE HERE, YOU SHOULD GO!

WALK OUT THE DOOR!

GO!

**BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP**

AIDAN WOKE WITH A START

NO. NO. NO. NO.  
NOO!

IT HAD TO BE  
REAL... IT FELT SO  
REAL...

IT WAS ALL SO  
FAMILIAR...

AND THEN IT DAWNED ON HIM

I  
IMAGINED IT ALL  
WHEN I WAS A BOY!

I  
CREATED THAT  
WORLD!

THAT'S AN INTERESTING  
THOUGHT! I'VE GOT TO  
GET BACK THERE!



MONDAY

I WISH I MAY, I WISH I MIGHT...



TUESDAY

AS YOUR CREATOR, I COMMAND YOU TO LET ME BACK IN!

EVERYDAY AIDAN TRIED TO GET BACK TO THAT WORLD



WEDNESDAY

HERE GOES NOTHING...

OW.



THURSDAY

PRETTY PLEASE?

WITH CHERRIES ON TOP?

HE JUST COULDN'T FIGURE OUT THE RIGHT THING... UNTIL...



FRIDAY

THINK, THINK, THINK!



I'VE GOT IT!!

NEVE SAID YOU HAVE TO  
ACTIVELY CREATE THINGS IN  
LIFE...

**BANG  
BANG  
BANG**

PHEW!

THIS. WILL. WORK

**CREAK**

I DID IT!

I AM JUST THE  
BEE'S KNEES!

**BZZZZ**

AAAAH! I TAKE IT BACK! I  
TAKE IT BACK!



OW. I GUESS I NEED TO BE MORE CAREFUL...I CAN HANDLE IT, THOUGH

THE WORLD IS MY PLAYGROUND!



WHAT A RUSH!



I COULD FLY HIGHER THAN A KITE!



OR MAKE PIGS FLY!

OH, I'M ON CLOUD NINE!




OR...



UH. OH.


WHAT HAVE I DONE?!




I THOUGHT I COULD CONTROL MYSELF. IT WAS JUST TOO TEMPTING.

PANT  
GASP

WITH ALL HIS ENERGY WASTED...



AIDAN CRAWLED INTO BED



NEVE'S GOING TO KILL ME.




BEEP  
BEEP

URGH, I DESPISE THAT CLOCK...



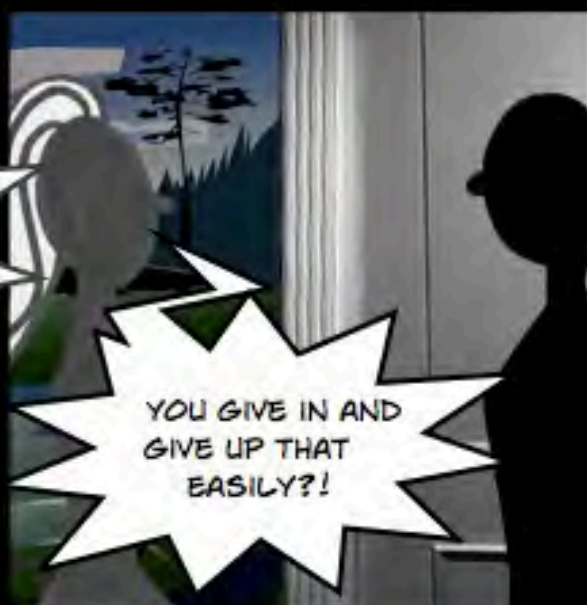
BOMB BOMB  
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OH MY POOR HEAD IS THROBBING!



I SHOULD HAVE LISTENED TO HER... NOTHING COMES FOR FREE.

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?





WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO ABOUT IT?!



I JUST DISCOVERED THIS PLACE!

YOU MADE THIS MESS, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN FIX IT.



I CAN'T EVEN GET MY OWN LIFE TOGETHER. HOW CAN I FIX YOURS?...



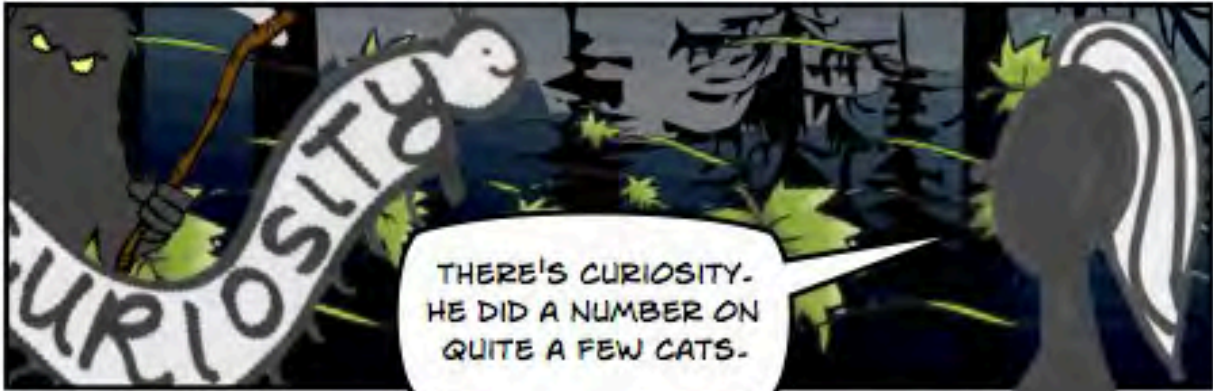
AIDAN, YOU HAVE TO TRY. TAKE CONTROL!

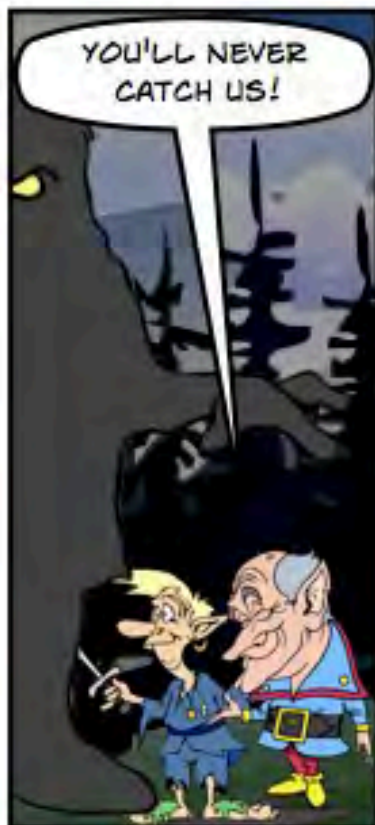


YOU'RE RIGHT! I CAN BEAT THIS!

FIGHT BACK!











I CAN'T BELIEVE WE DID IT!



JUST AS AIDAN AWOKED, HE RECEIVED A CALL FROM HIS BOSS...

**BRRRING BRRRING**



AIDAN!? WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN!? YOU'RE GOING TO GET FIRED!

I QUIT!

WHAT?! YOU'LL QUIT WHEN PIGS FLY!

FUNNY YOU SHOULD SAY THAT...