

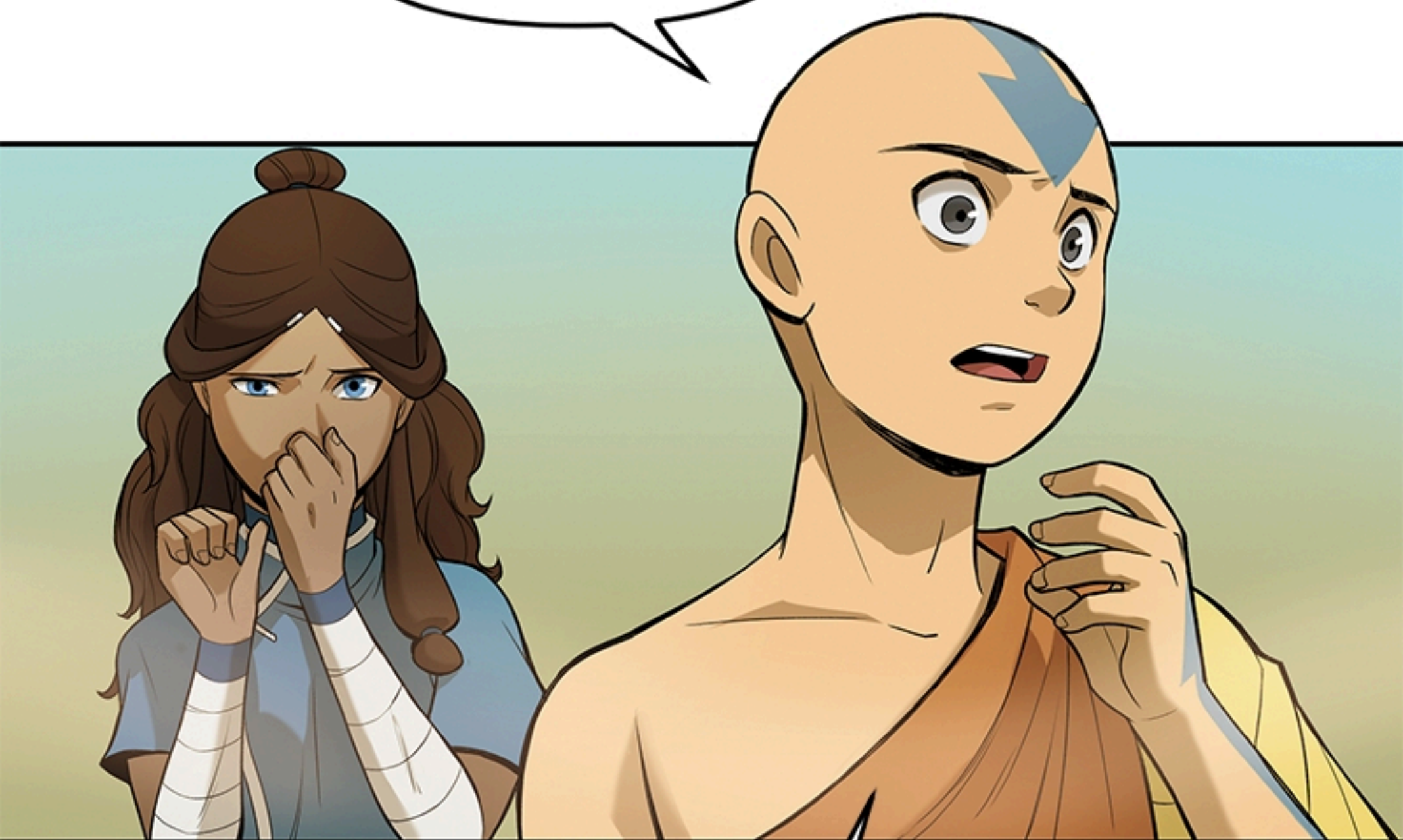


THIS MUST BE
WHAT YANGCHEN
WAS TRYING TO
TELL ME.

IT WASN'T
JUST ABOUT THE
FESTIVAL.



THIS LAND WAS
ONCE SACRED TO
THE AIR NOMADS.



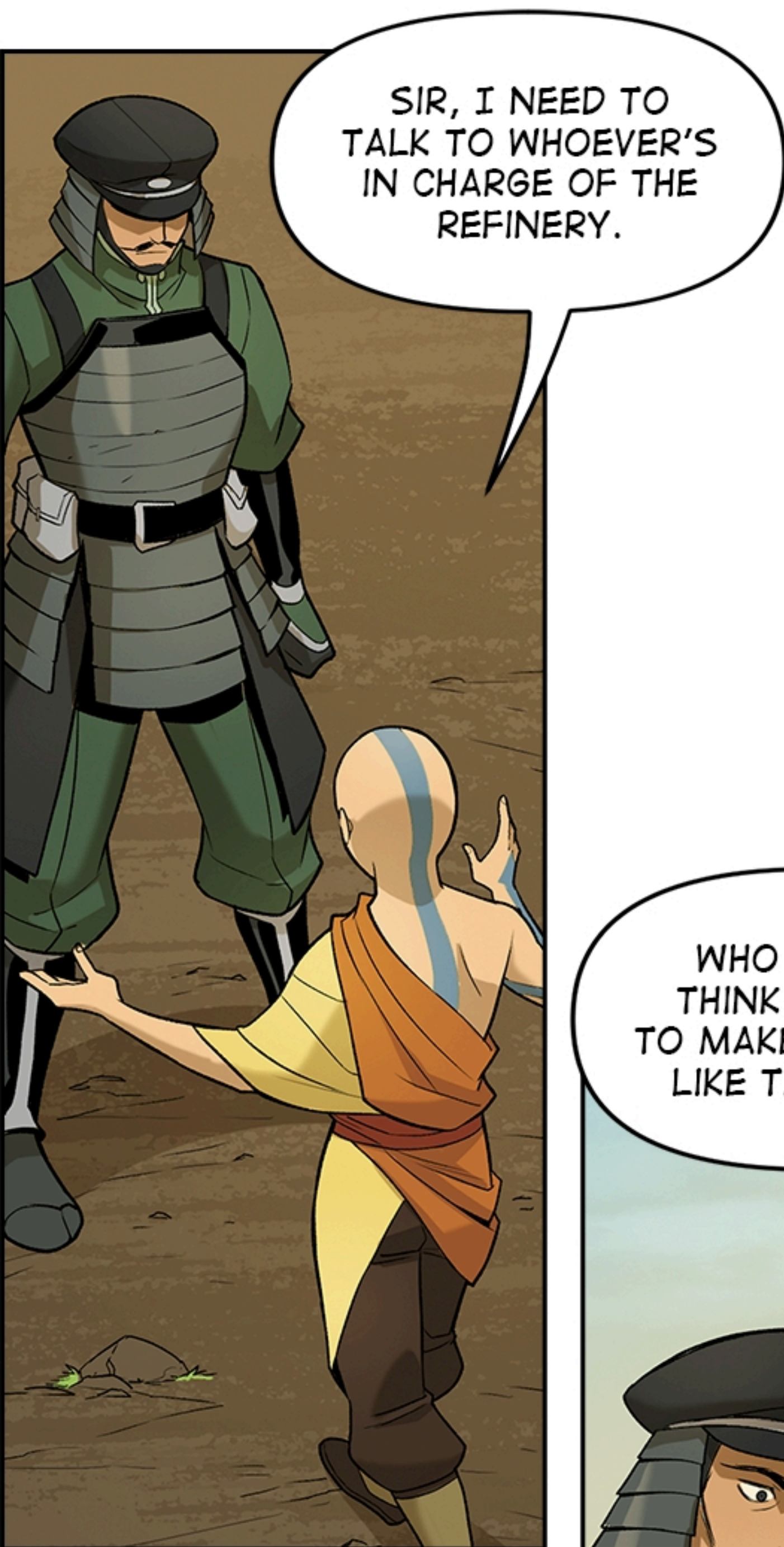
NOW
IT'S BEING
DEFILED.

HEY! YOU'RE
NOT ALLOWED
BACK HERE!

THIS
IS PRIVATE
PROPERTY!



DON'T YOU
PEOPLE KNOW
WHAT FENCES
ARE FOR?!





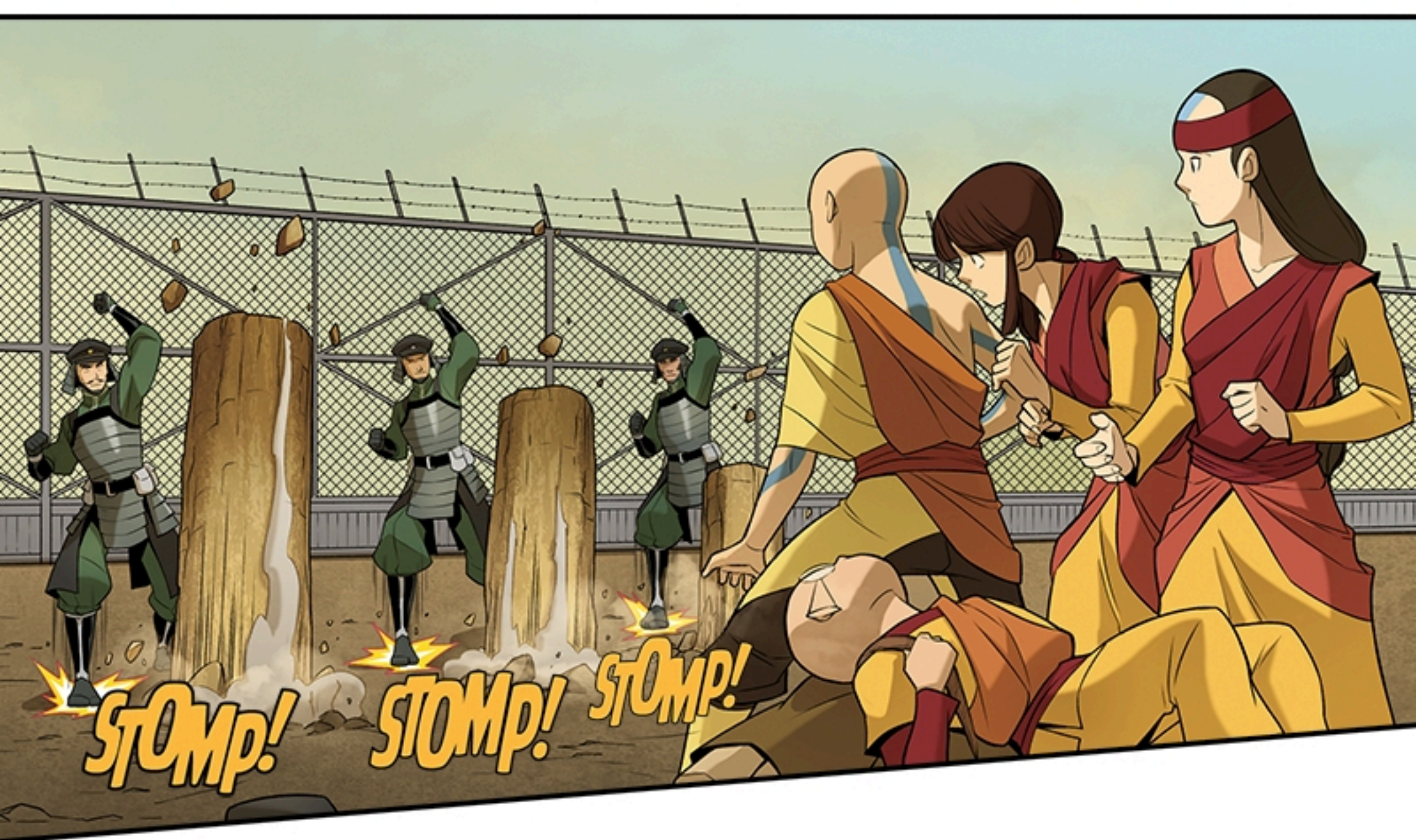
I'M THE
AVATAR.

ONCE YOU
CROSS THAT *FENCE*,
ALL YOU ARE IS A
TRESPASSER.



**GUARDS,
LET'S GET 'EM
OUTTA HERE!**

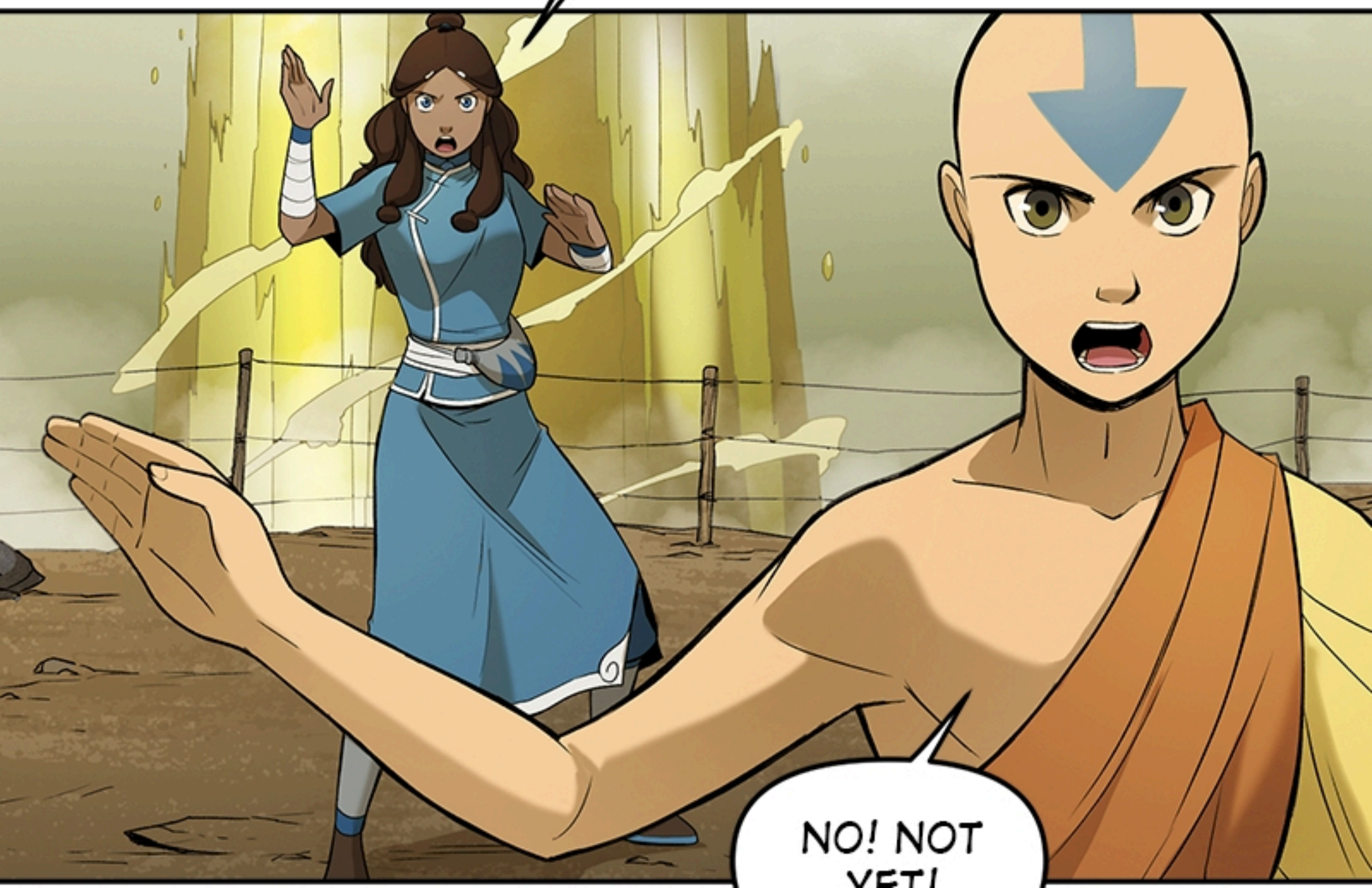








MOVE OUT OF
THE WAY, AANG!
I'VE GOT THEM!



NO! NOT
YET!

LET!

HERE'S
ANOTHER LEARNING
OPPORTUNITY!



A LITTLE
HELP, PLEASE?

AIR ACOLYTES,
AS I TOLD YOU
BEFORE, **PEACE** IS
THE VERY CENTER OF
AIR NOMAD LIFE.



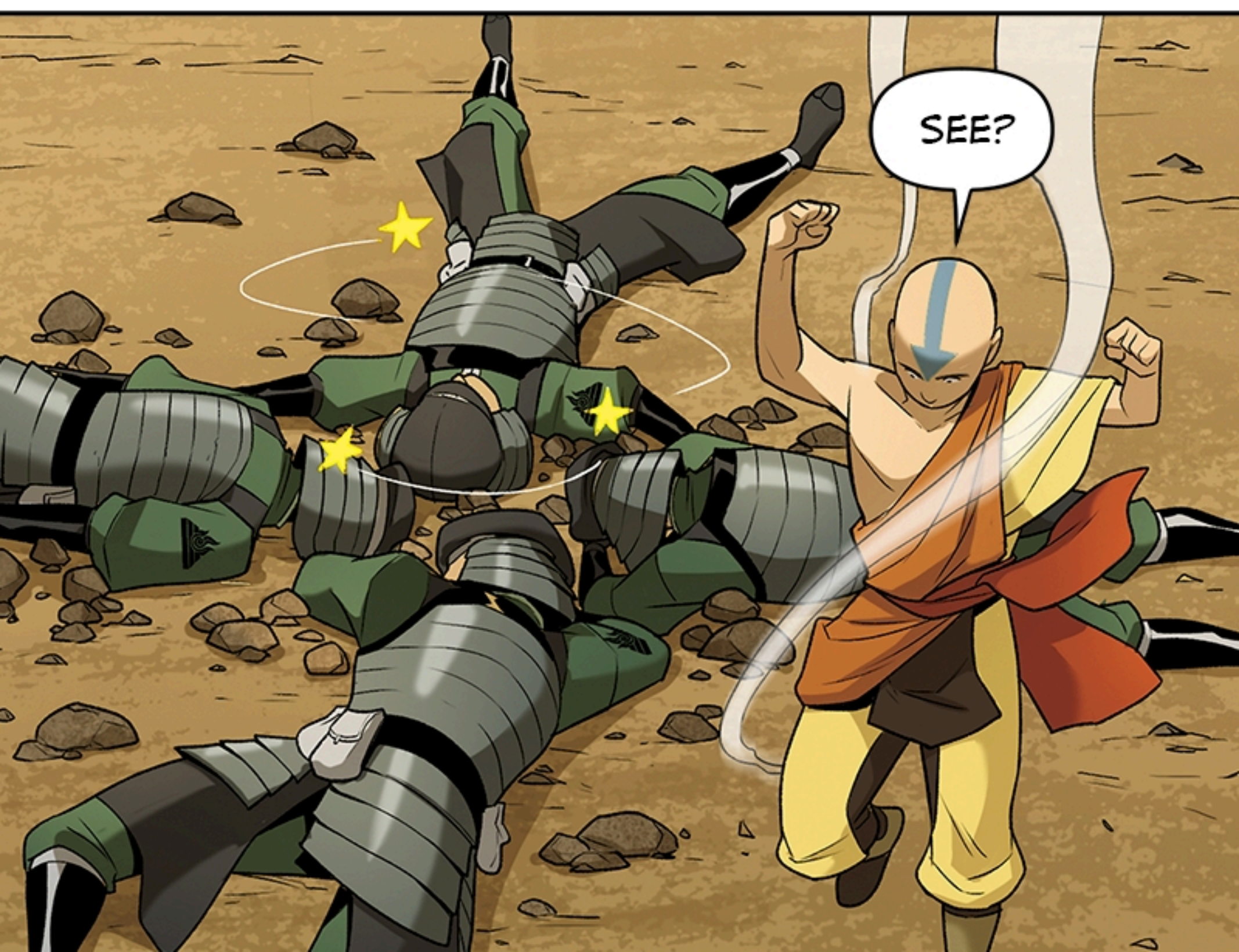
AA ARGH!

?!

AND EVEN
THEN, THINGS
WILL OFTEN WORK
THEMSELVES
OUT--

--WITH JUST
THE *SLIGHTEST*
NUDGE.





SEE?



**CLAP!
CLAP!**

FLYING FIRE
FERRETS -- THAT
WAS *AMAZING!*



HELLO, AVATAR!
MY NAME IS
SATORU!





WHAT AN
HONOR TO MEET



U-U-UHH...
TH-TH-THANKS?

YOU! WHAT AN
HONOR!

YOU MUST





WE'RE AANG'S
STUDENTS, THE
AIR ACOLYTES!

NICE TO
MEET YOU--



--BUT WE'LL, AH,
STICK WITH THE AIR
NOMAD TRADITION OF

BOWING INSTEAD OF
SHAKING HANDS, IF
YOU DON'T MIND.

I'VE READ SO MUCH
ABOUT YOU, AVATAR,
BUT I HAVE TO SAY, YOU'RE
EVEN MORE IMPRESSIVE
IN PERSON!



THAT'S REALLY
NICE OF YOU TO
SAY BUT...I...

LISTEN, ARE
YOU IN CHARGE
AROUND HERE?



KINDA...I'M
THE REFINERY'S
ENGINEER...

...BUT MY UNCLE
PUT ME IN CHARGE
OF THE ENTIRE OPERATION
UNTIL HE AND HIS BUSINESS
PARTNER COME BACK.

WHICH IS WHY
THE GUARDS *SHOULD*
HAVE CHECKED WITH ME
BEFORE THEY ATTACKED
YOU LIKE THAT.



WELL, MAYBE
YOU AND I CAN SIT

YOU AND I CAN SIT
DOWN FOR A BIT?

I'D LIKE TO
TALK TO YOU ABOUT
WHERE THIS REFINERY IS
LOCATED. THE LAND
IT'S BUILT ON--

NO. WAY.



SATORU?

YOU
OKAY?

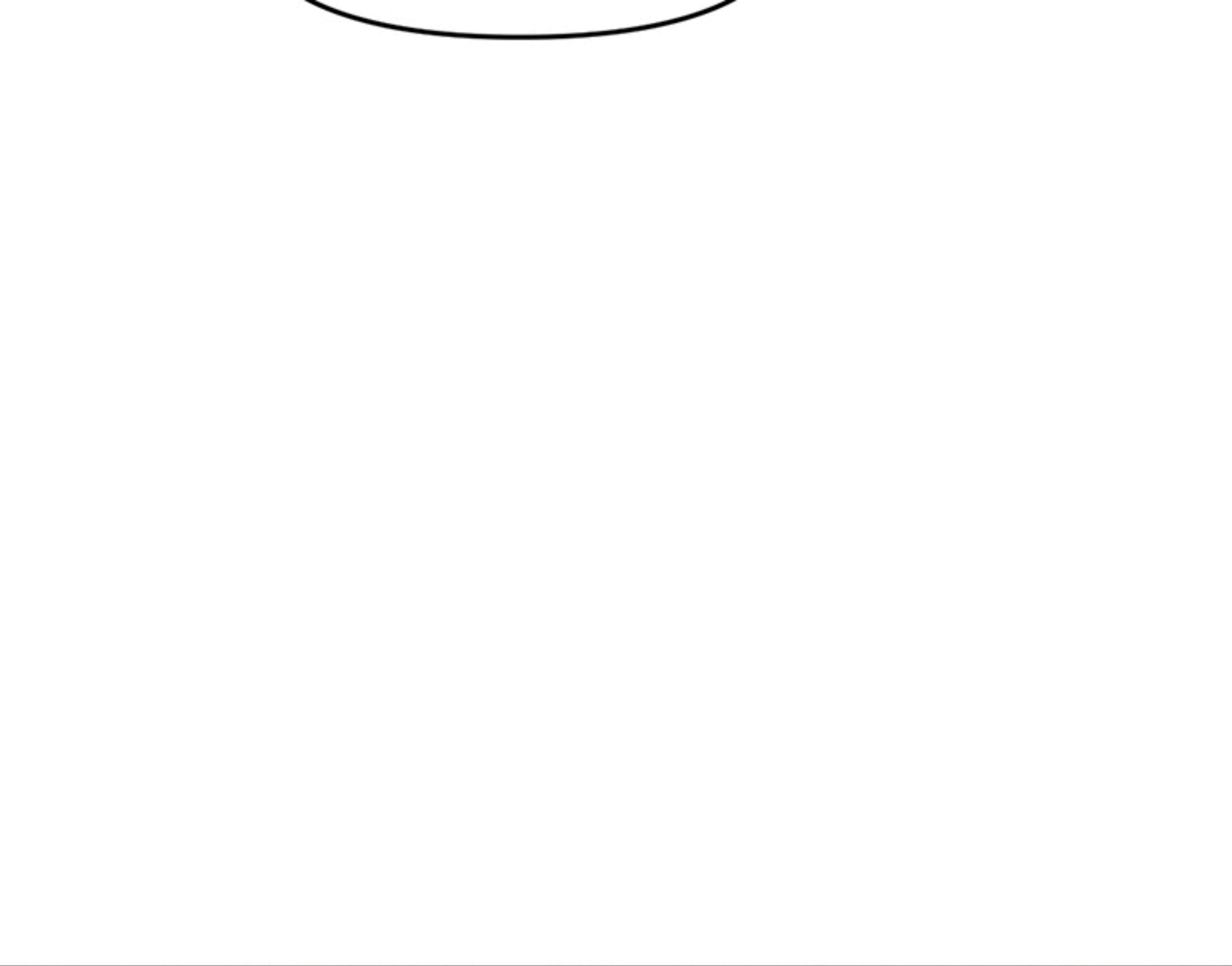


*THIS IS THE
BEST DAY OF
MY LIFE!*



PLEASE, SATORU!
I'M FLATTERED, BUT
YOU'RE MAKING TOO
BIG OF A DEAL OUT OF
THIS... OUT OF ME!

I MEAN,
SAVING THE WORLD
WAS A **TEAM EFFORT!**
I COULDN'T HAVE--





**IT'S
REALLY
YOU!**



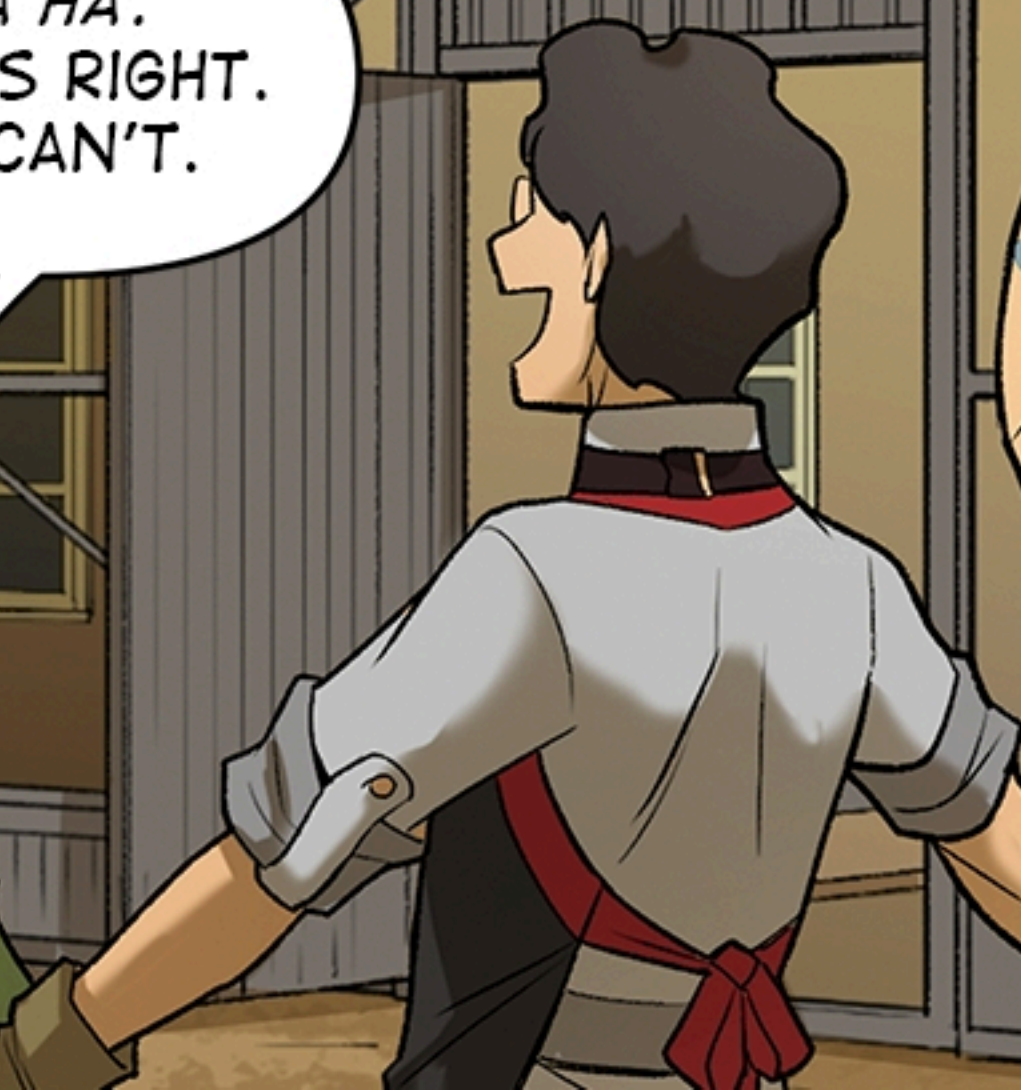
I'VE DIED
AND GONE INTO
THE HEAVENS! I'VE
ADMIRERD YOU FOR SO LONG,
MS. BEIFONG! FIRST, YOU
SAVE THE WORLD--

--WITH
AVATAR AANG'S
HELP OF COURSE--

?!

--AND THEN YOU
DISCOVER A **BRAND-NEW**
KIND OF BENDING THAT
NOT EVEN THE AVATAR
CAN DO!

HA HA.
THAT'S RIGHT.
HE CAN'T.





IT WOULD BE
AN *HONOR*... NO.



IT WOULD BE
THE *EXPERIENCE*
OF A LIFETIME IF I
COULD GIVE YOU A TOUR OF
THE *EARTHEN FIRE*

THE EARTHEN FIRE
REFINERY!





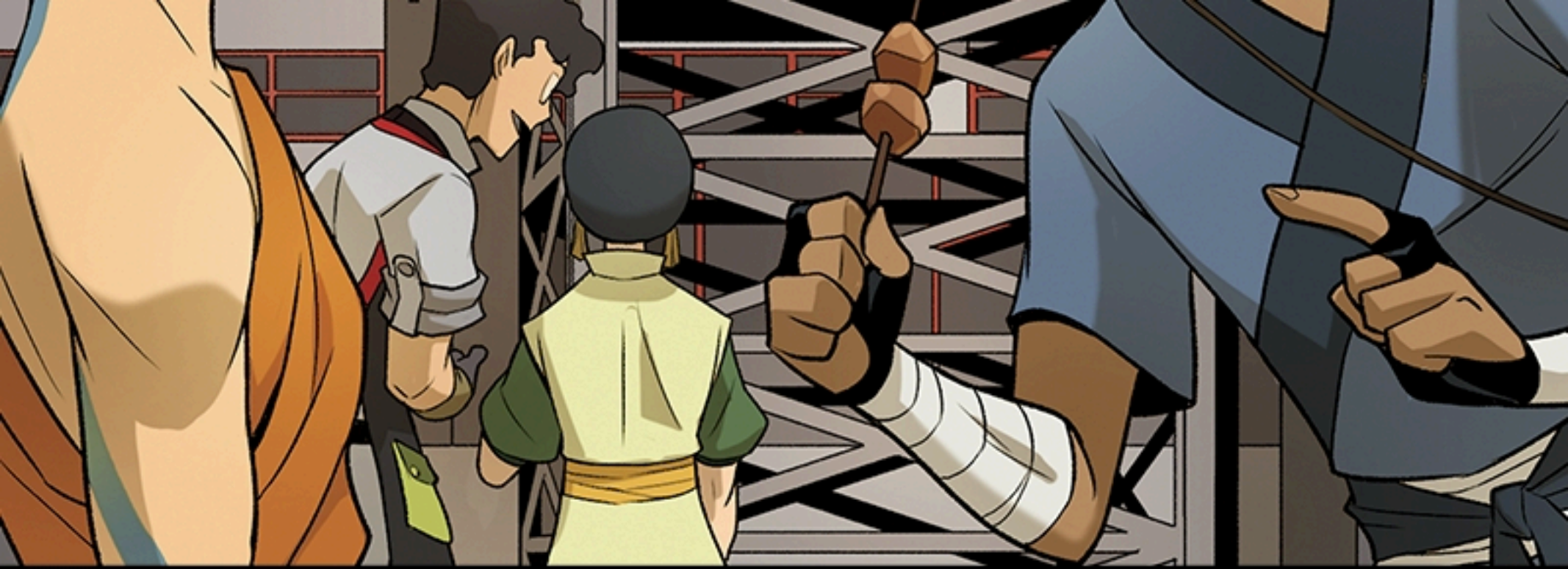


OF COURSE
YOUR FRIENDS
CAN TAG ALONG!

SO GENEROUS
OF TOPH TO LET
US "TAG ALONG."

THIS MEAT
IS SOOO GOOD.
ANYONE WANT
A BITE?

NO.







TOPH, WELCOME
TO THE *EARTHEN*
FIRE REFINERY!

YEARS AGO, MY
UNCLE DISCOVERED
THAT THIS AREA IS
PARTICULARLY RICH WITH
NATURAL RESOURCES.



BUT HE
WASN'T ALLOWED
TO DEVELOP IT

...BECAUSE...

WELL... BECAUSE
OF *POLITICAL*
REASONS.

MY UNCLE ISN'T A
VERY POLITICAL GUY,
BUT HE IS FIRE NATION
AND THIS LAND IS
EARTH KINGDOM.





ACTUALLY,
SATORU, THAT'S WHAT
I'VE BEEN MEANING TO
TALK TO YOU ABOUT.



THIS LAND MAY
BE A PART OF THE
EARTH KINGDOM
CONTINENT...



...BUT HISTORICALLY
THE *AIR NOMADS*
HAVE ALWAYS--

AFTER YOU
AND YOUR FRIENDS
ENDED THE WAR, TOPH,
MY UNCLE WAS ABLE TO
FIND AN EARTH KINGDOM
BUSINESS PARTNER.



A COUPLE
MONTHS LATER,
THEY OPENED
THIS PLACE!

WE'RE THE FIRST
JOINT BUSINESS
VENTURE BETWEEN THE
EARTH KINGDOM AND
FIRE NATION!

BUT, AS I
WAS SAYING--



HERE, IT
DOESN'T MATTER
WHERE YOU'RE FROM. AS

WHERE YOU'RE FROM, AS
LONG AS YOU'RE WILLING
TO *WORK HARD*.

SATORU,
IF I COULD
JUST HAVE A
MOMENT--



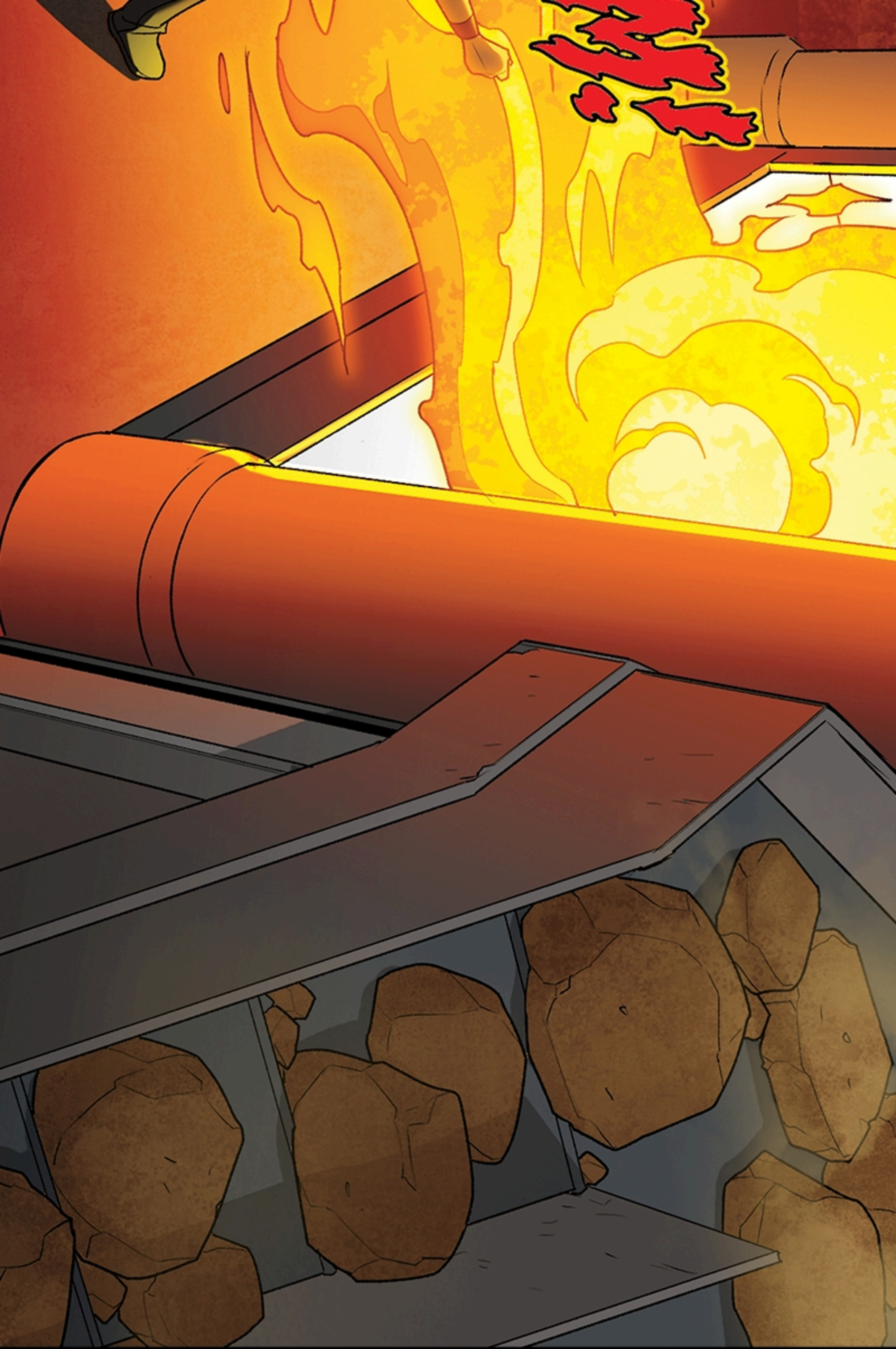
PEOPLE FROM ALL
OVER THE WORLD
COME HERE--



--BECAUSE
THE EARTHEN FIRE
REFINERY REPRESENTS
THE FUTURE.



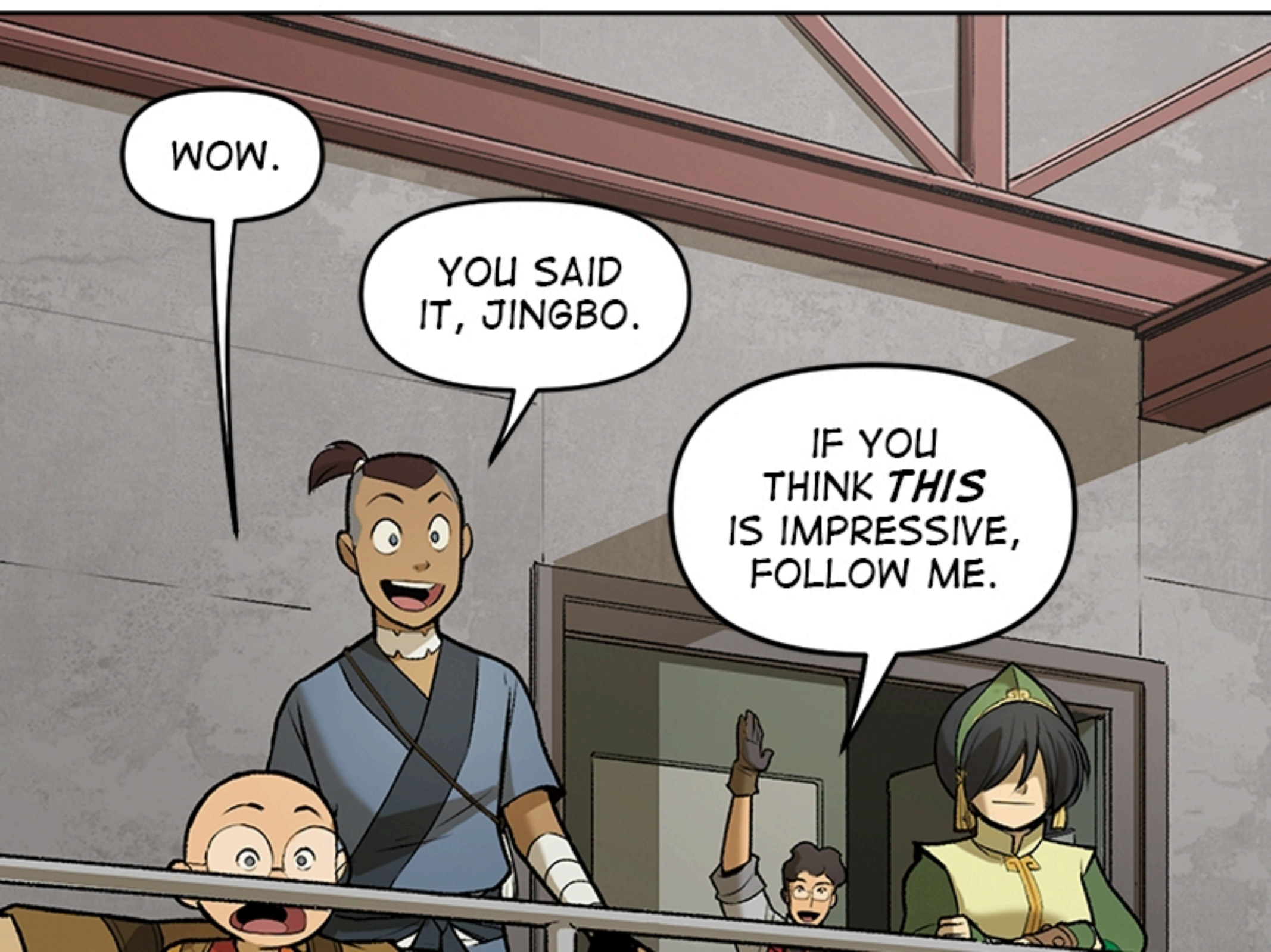














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WAS ACTUALLY
OUR FIRST, *OLDER*
PRODUCTION
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