

HUH?





XADA
DO YOU...





...HAVE
SOMEONE
HERE??



A comic panel featuring a character with dark skin and hair in a bun with blue ribbons, wearing a black beret. The character is shown from the chest up in profile, looking upwards with a surprised expression. The background is dark blue with vertical lines and two black circles. Three speech bubbles are present: a circular one at the top, a rectangular one in the middle, and a large oval one at the bottom connected to the character.

WHAT?
OH...

AH SHIT.

YE-YEAH.
KEEP YOUR VOICE
DOWN THOUGH, HE'S
SLEEPING...



...SLEEPING??





VELIX?



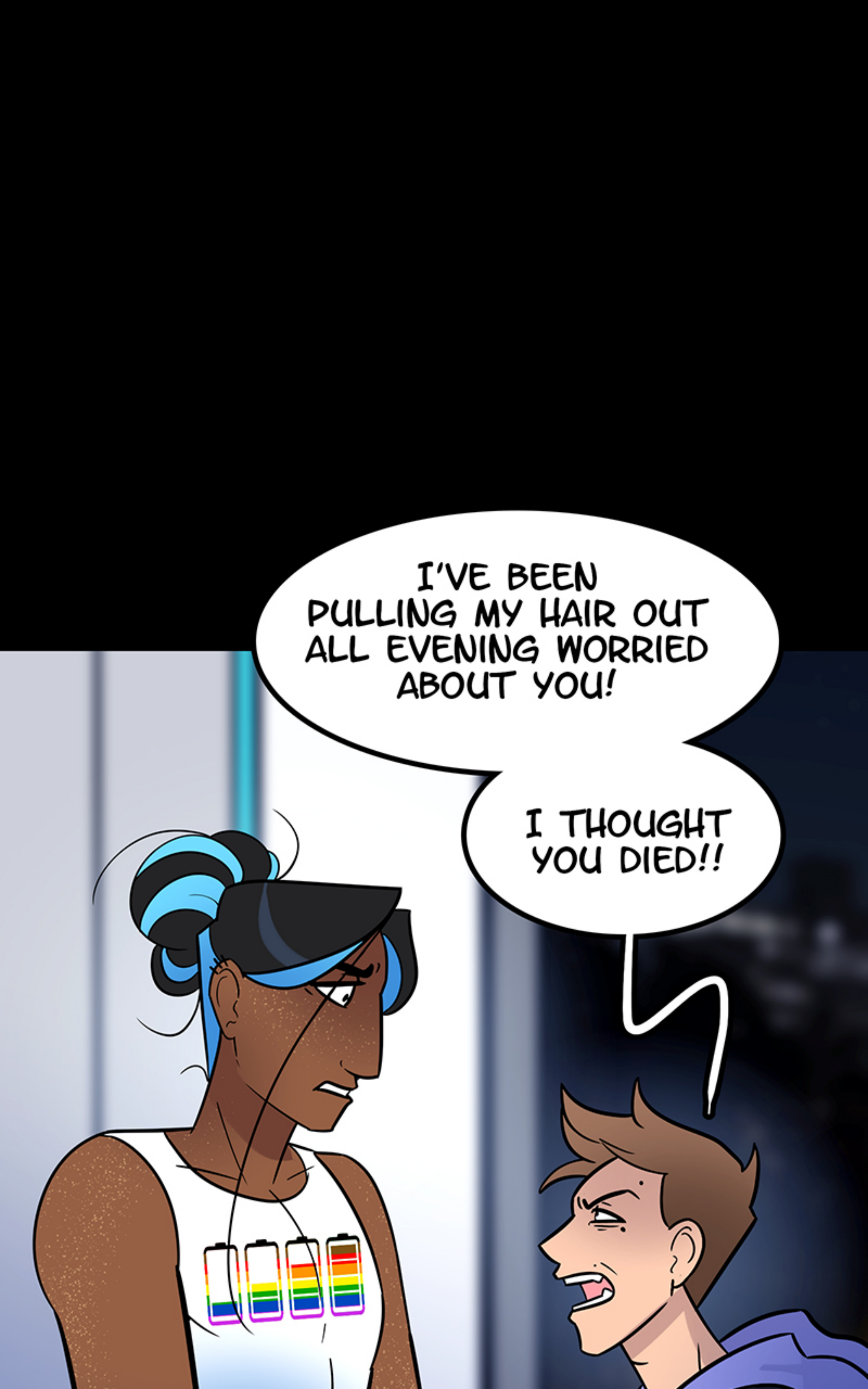






you-!



A comic panel featuring two characters. On the left, a woman with dark skin and a VR headset with a blue and black visor. Her hair is styled in a bun with blue and black streaks. She wears a white tank top with four battery icons on the chest, each with a rainbow-colored bar. On the right, a man with light skin and brown hair is shown in profile, shouting with his mouth wide open. The background is dark with vertical light streaks.

I'VE BEEN
PULLING MY HAIR OUT
ALL EVENING WORRIED
ABOUT YOU!

I THOUGHT
YOU DIED!!



AND TURNS OUT
YOU HAD YOUR PHONE
OFF BECAUSE YOU WERE
SHACKED UP WITH SOME GUY
IN YOUR WAREHOUSE?!





WHOA HEY-

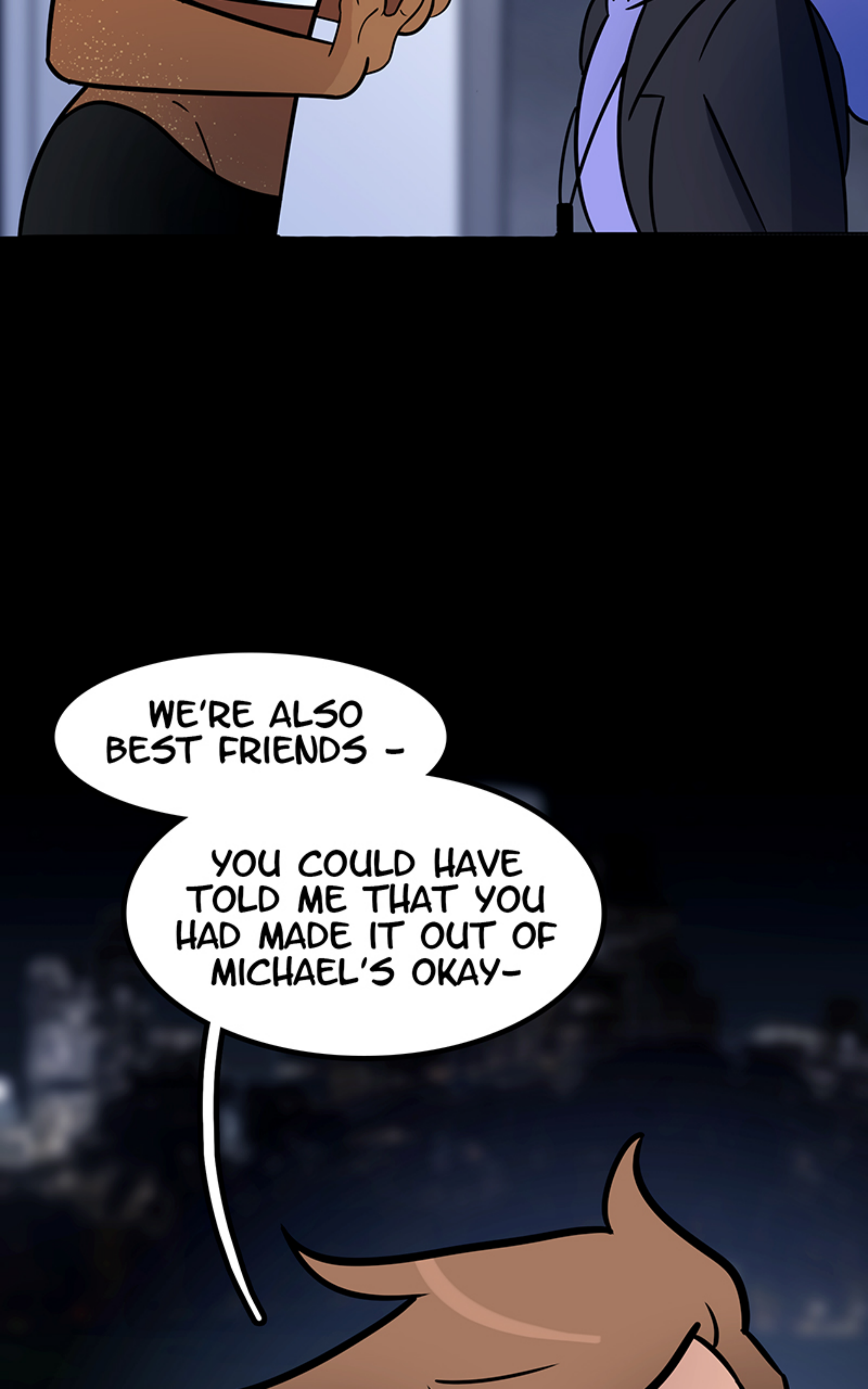
LOOK I'M
REALLY SORRY
YOU WERE
WORRIED ABOUT
ME-



BUT YOU
CAN'T GET MAD AT
ME JUST FOR NOT
ANSWERING MY
PHONE FOR A FEW
HOURS.

WE'RE GROWN
ADULTS AND WE
HAVE OUR OWN
BUSINESS.





WE'RE ALSO
BEST FRIENDS -

YOU COULD HAVE
TOLD ME THAT YOU
HAD MADE IT OUT OF
MICHAEL'S OKAY-



YOU KNOW
THAT I WAS WORRIED

WHAT I WAS WORRIED
ABOUT YOU GOING
THERE IN THE FIRST
PLACE!





I DON'T KNOW
WHAT YOU WANT
ME TO SAY, V!

I'M SORRY,
OKAY??

I GOT
DISTRACTED WITH
WORK AND THEN
THINGS GOT CRAZY
AND NOW I'M
HERE!



CRAP...

CRAP!!





THIS ISN'T HOW
I WANTED THIS
CONVERSATION
TO GO AT ALL.

BUT I SUPPOSE IT'S
BETTER THAT HE THINKS
I'M HOOKING UP WITH
SOME RANDOM GUY...



RATHER THAN HIDING
A ROGUE LOVEBOT.

WHATEVER-



A comic panel featuring a character's profile in a light blue suit against a black background. A speech bubble points to the character's mouth.

YOU'RE
RIGHT-



YOU'RE A
BIG GROWN UP MAN
WHO CAN DO WHAT
HE WANTS.



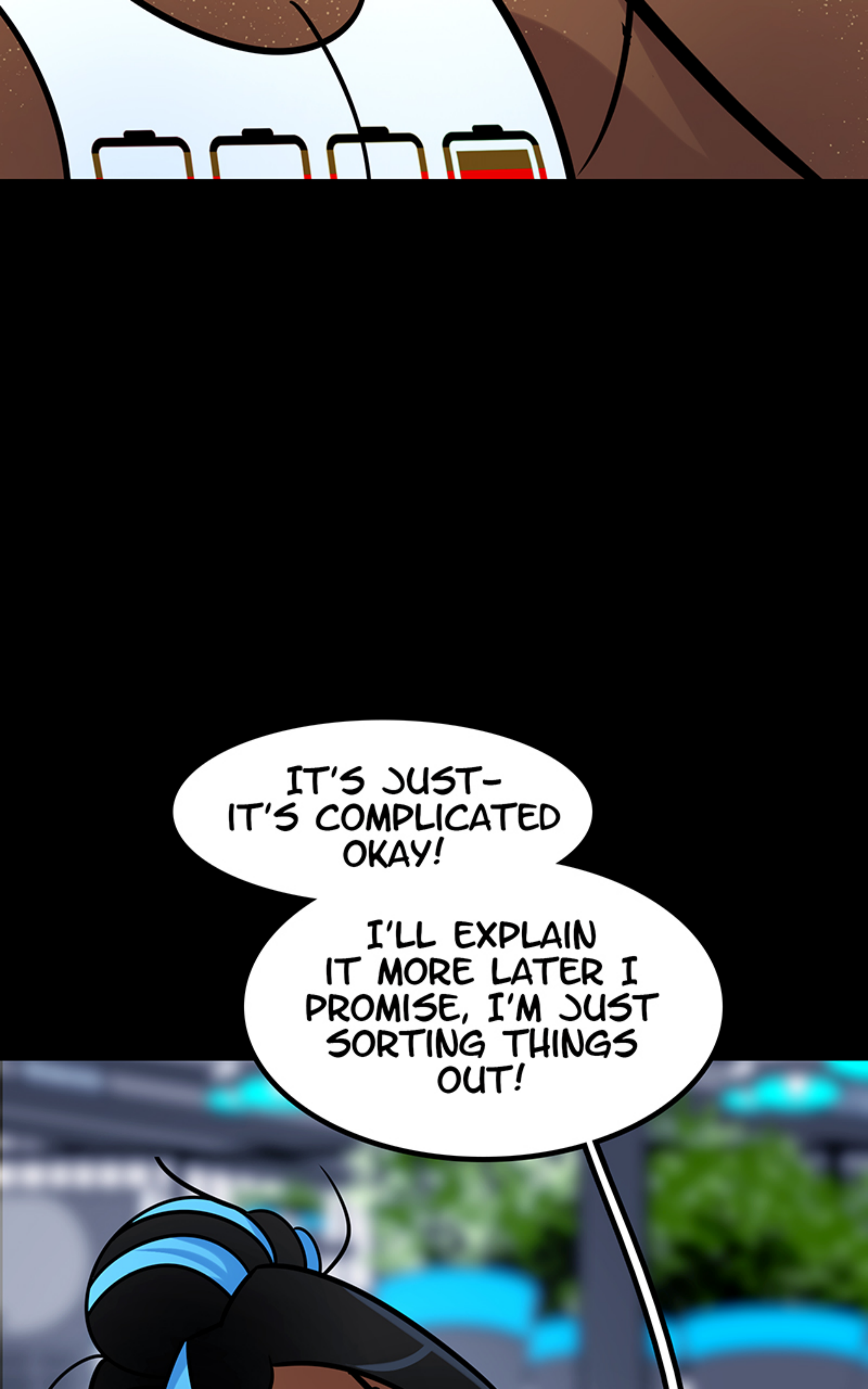
I'LL BE
SURE NOT TO
BOTHER YOU WITH MY
'PETTY' CONCERNS
ANYMORE.



A comic panel featuring a woman with dark skin and dark hair tied in a bun with a blue ribbon. She is laughing heartily, with her eyes closed and her hand covering her forehead. The background is a blurred city street with blue and green tones. Two speech bubbles are present: one at the top left and a larger one to the right.

OH MY
GOD!

THAT'S NOT
WHAT I'M SAYING
AT ALL, VELIX!



IT'S JUST-
IT'S COMPLICATED
OKAY!

I'LL EXPLAIN
IT MORE LATER I
PROMISE, I'M JUST
SORTING THINGS
OUT!



RIGHT,
YEAH-

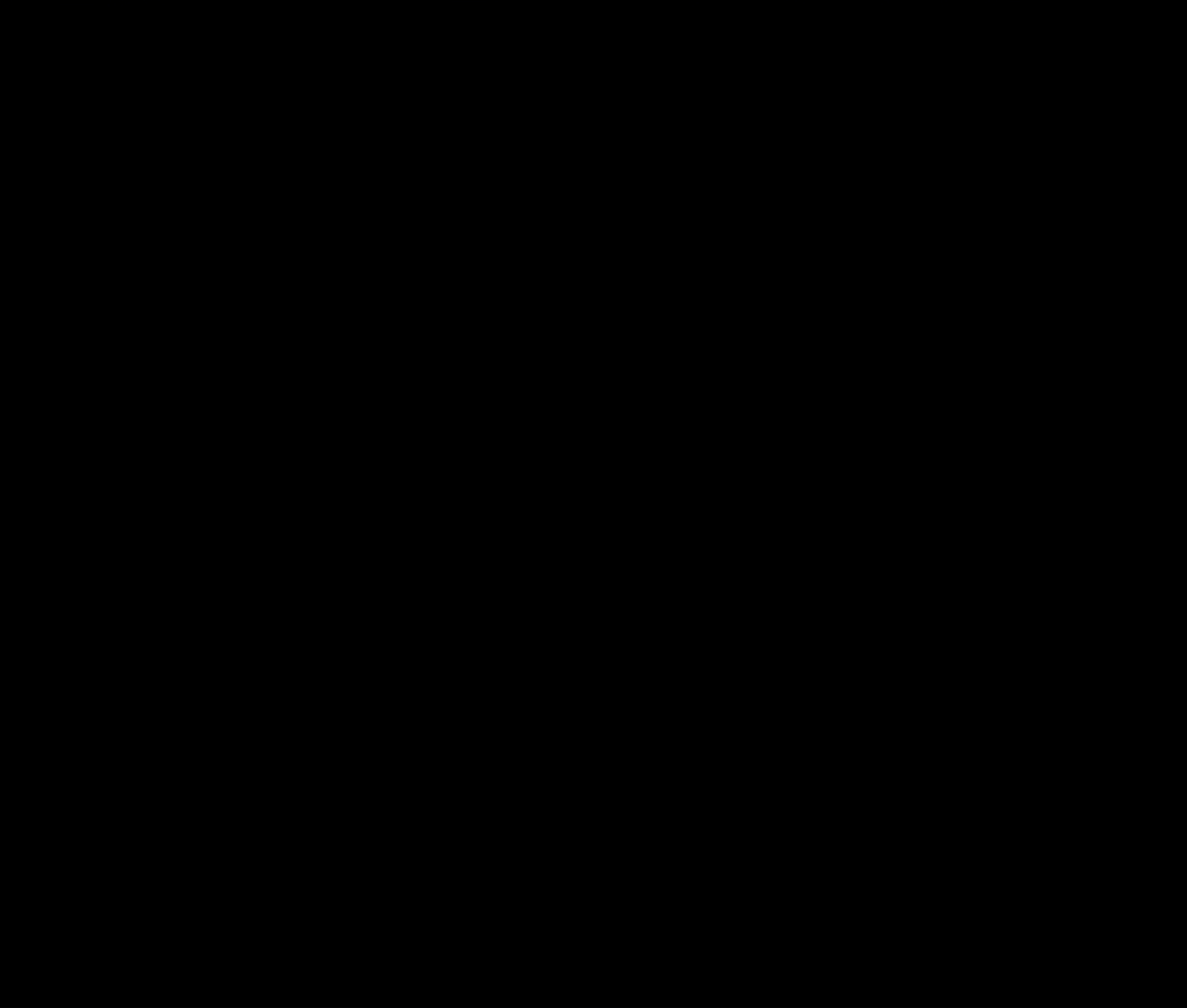
WE'LL HAVE FUN

WILL HAVE FUN
SORTING THINGS OUT
WITH WHATEVER SLUT
YOU PICKED UP TO
GET 'COMPLICATED'
WITH.



BUT-
IF YOU REALLY
NEEDED SOMETHING
LIKE THAT YOU
COULD HAVE JUST
ASKED ME!







V...
WE'VE TALKED

ABOUT THIS...



YOU'RE
MY BEST FRIEND
AND I LOVE
YOU.



BUT
WE'RE JUST
FRIENDS.

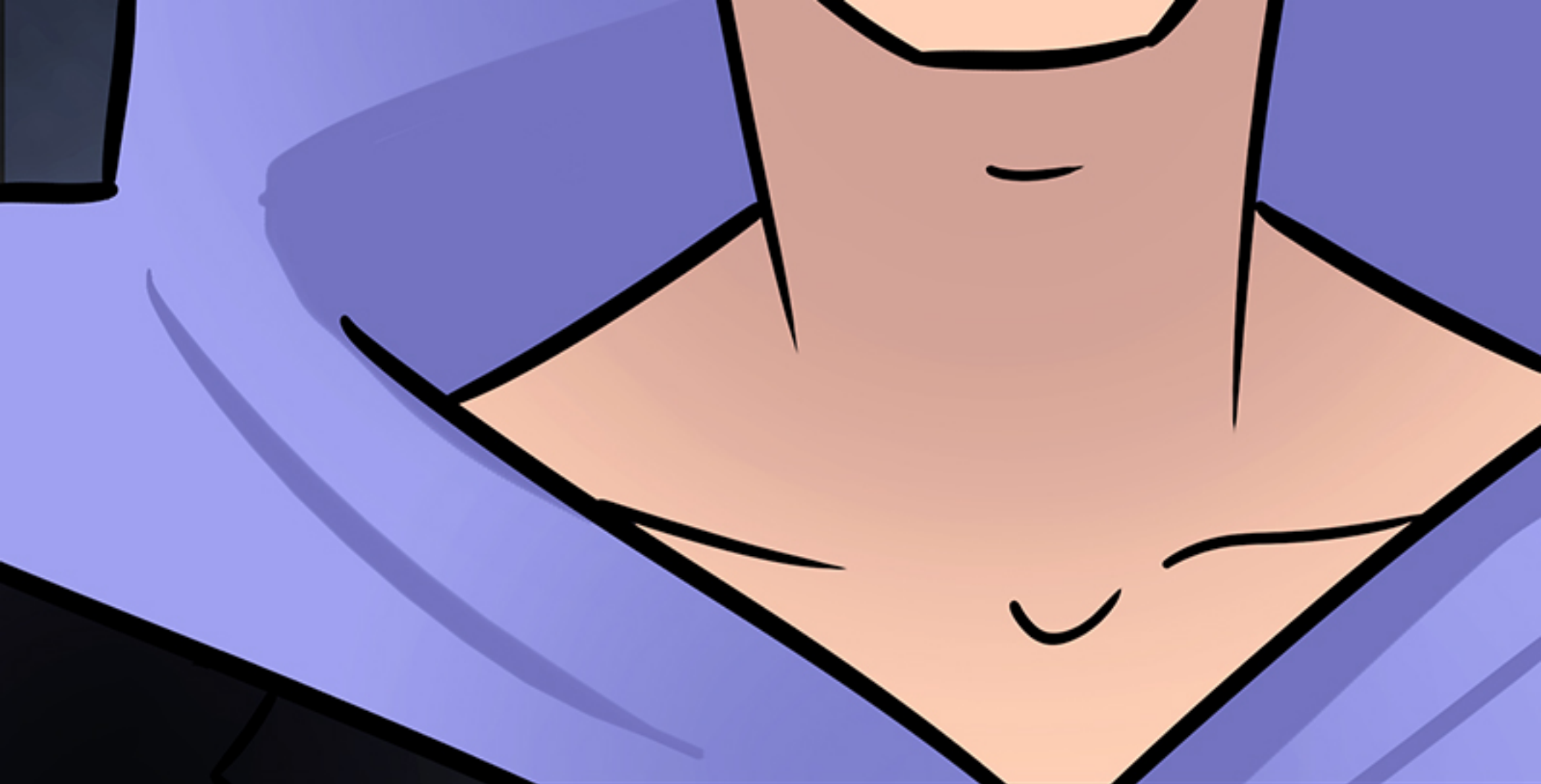


THEN THAT
IS COMPLICATED,
ISN'T IT.

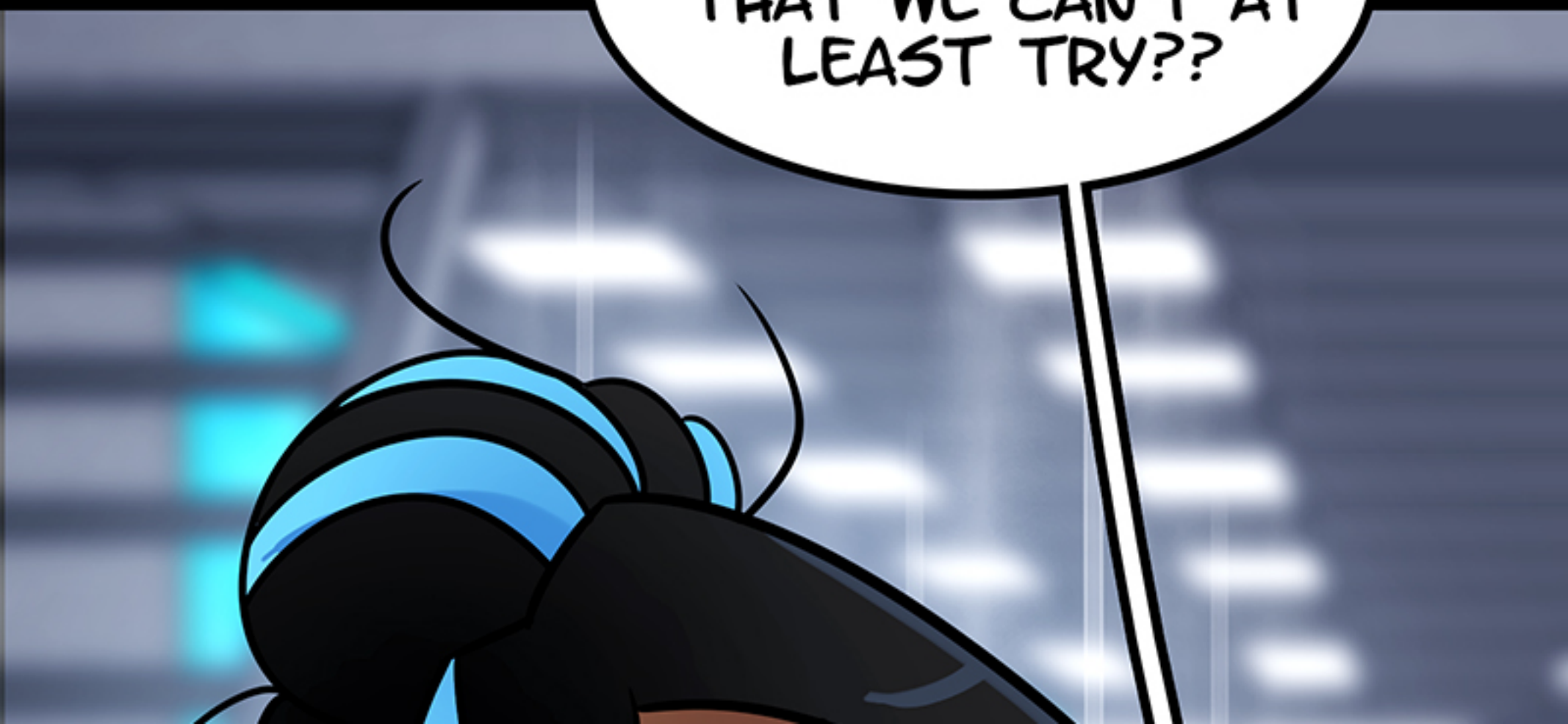


... I JUST DON'T
UNDERSTAND WHY YOU
WON'T EVEN TRY...





WHY AM I NOT
GOOD ENOUGH
THAT WE CAN'T AT
LEAST TRY??



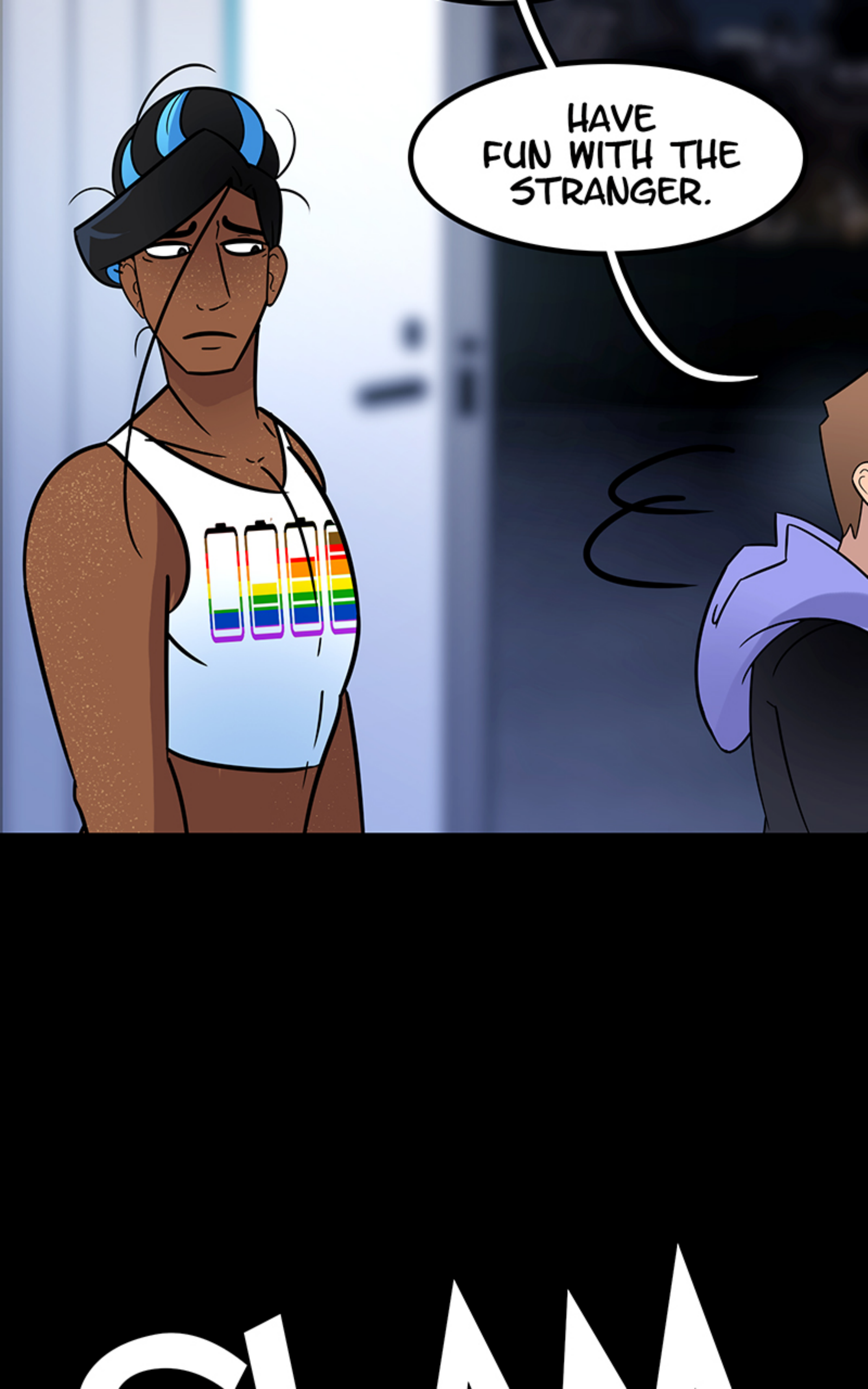


I'M SORRY,
V.





WHATEVER.

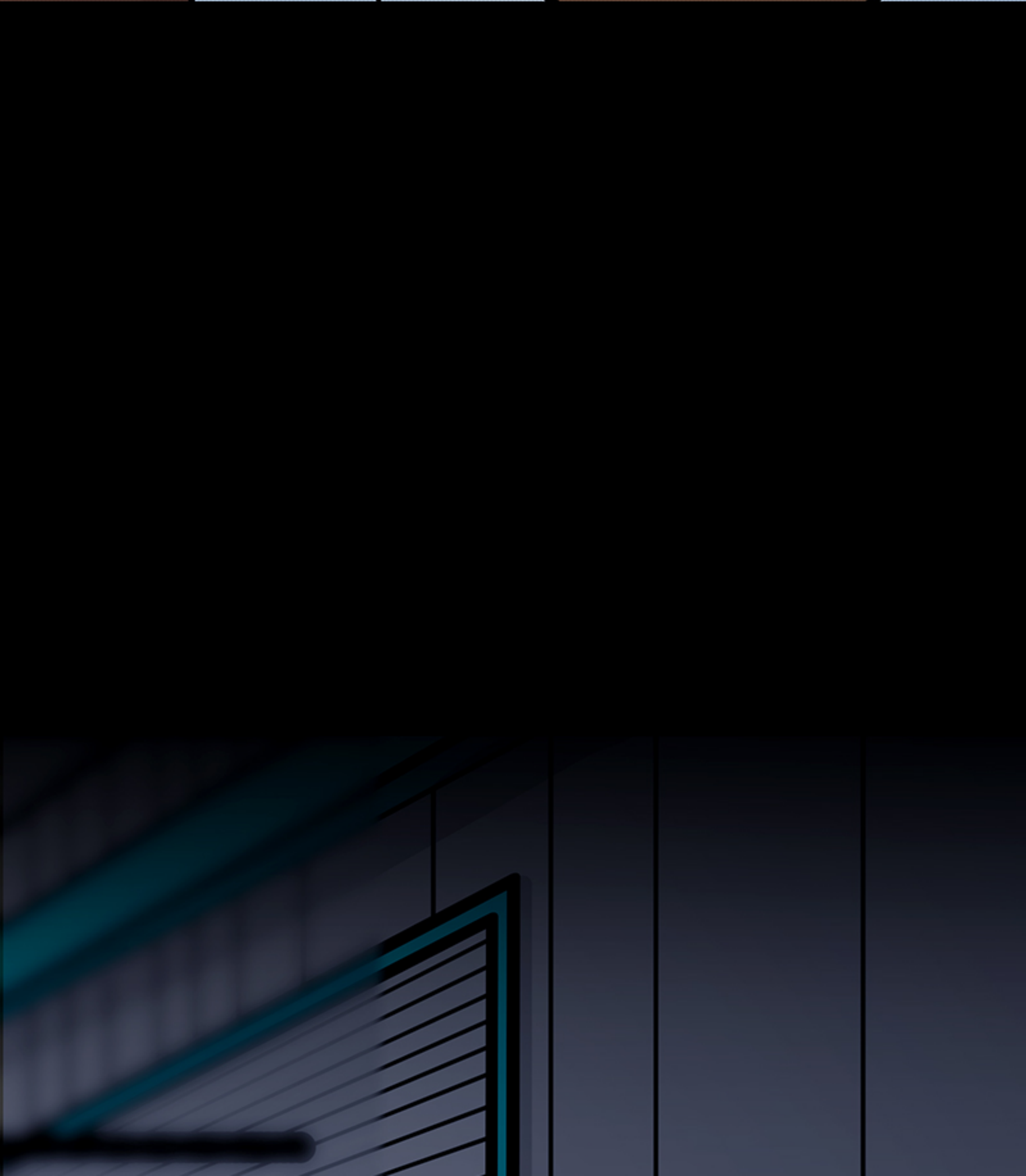
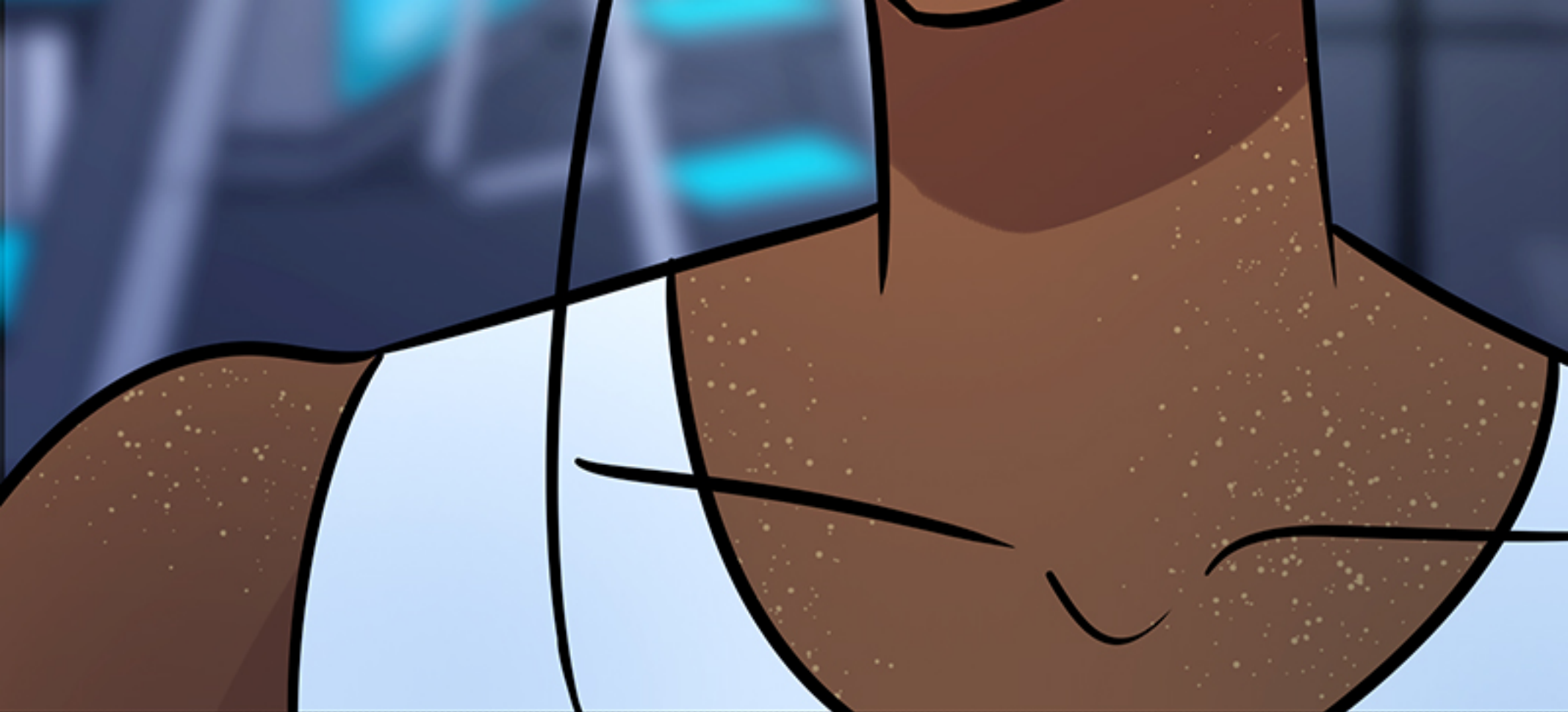
A comic book panel featuring a person with dark skin and hair tied in a bun with blue hair ties. They are wearing a white tank top with four rainbow-colored battery icons on the chest. The person has a sad or weary expression. A speech bubble from an unseen character on the right says, "HAVE FUN WITH THE STRANGER." The background is dark and blurry, suggesting an outdoor night scene. The bottom of the image is a solid black bar with white, jagged, abstract shapes.

HAVE
FUN WITH THE
STRANGER.

SLAM













FUCK...



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