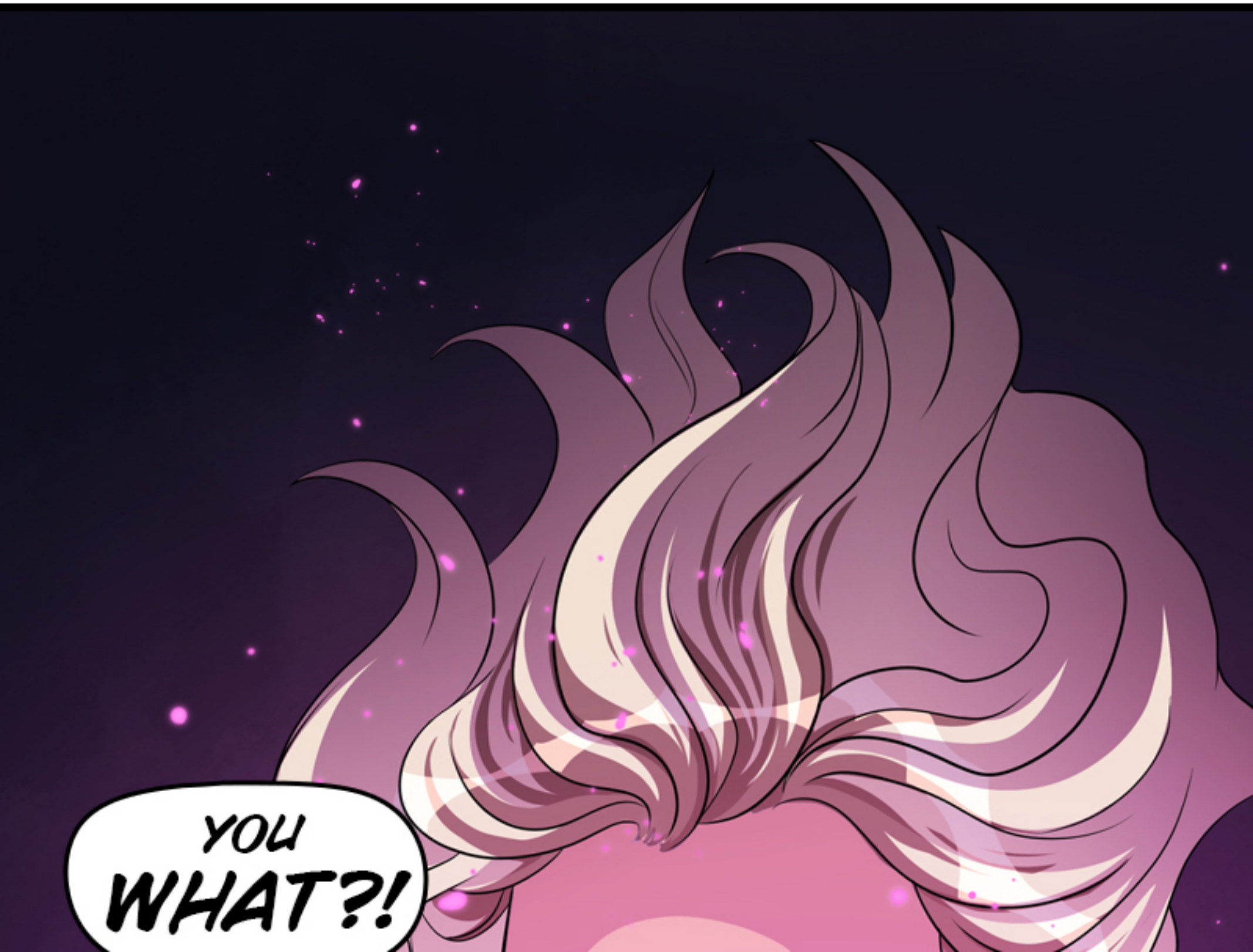




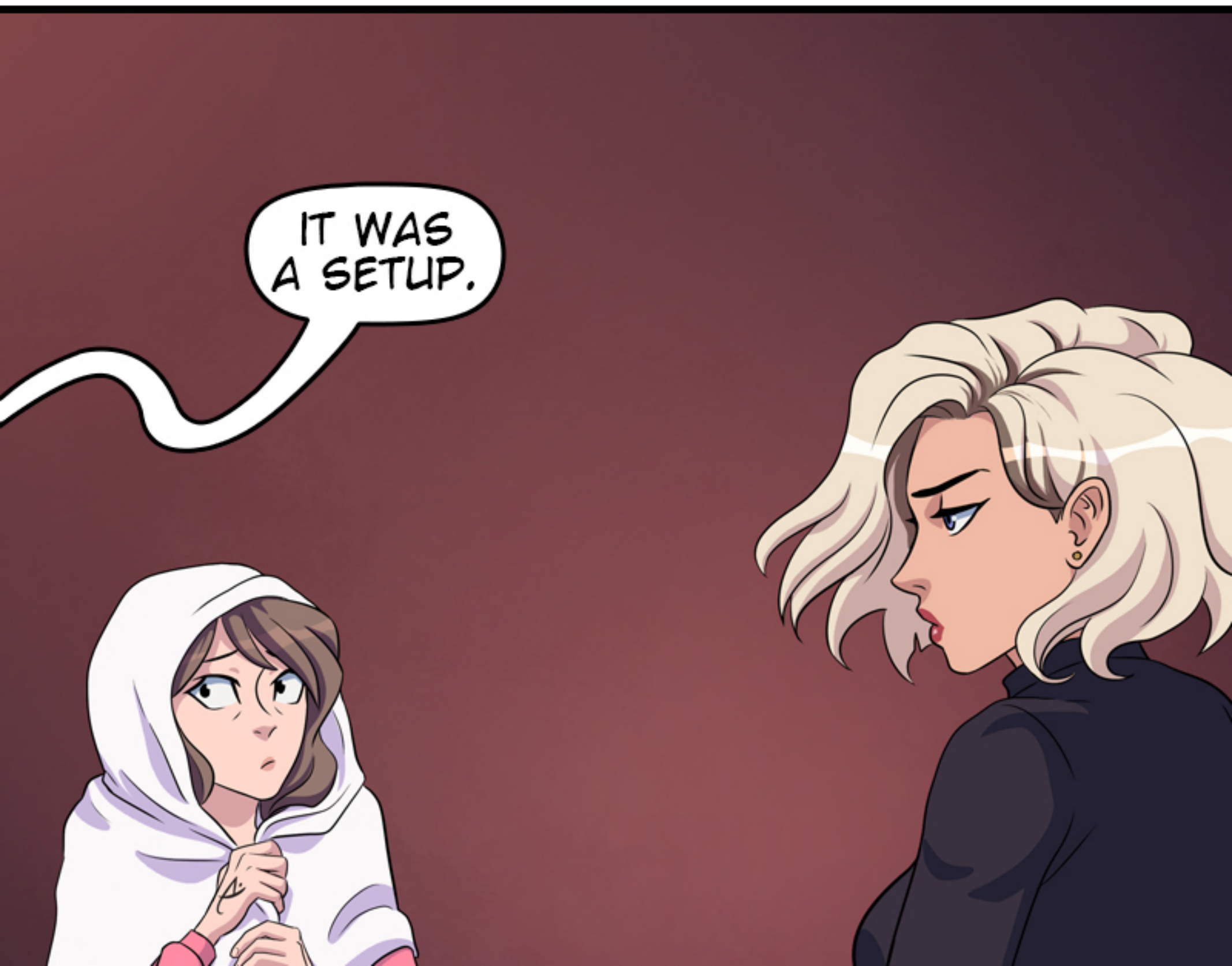
YOU
WHAT?!

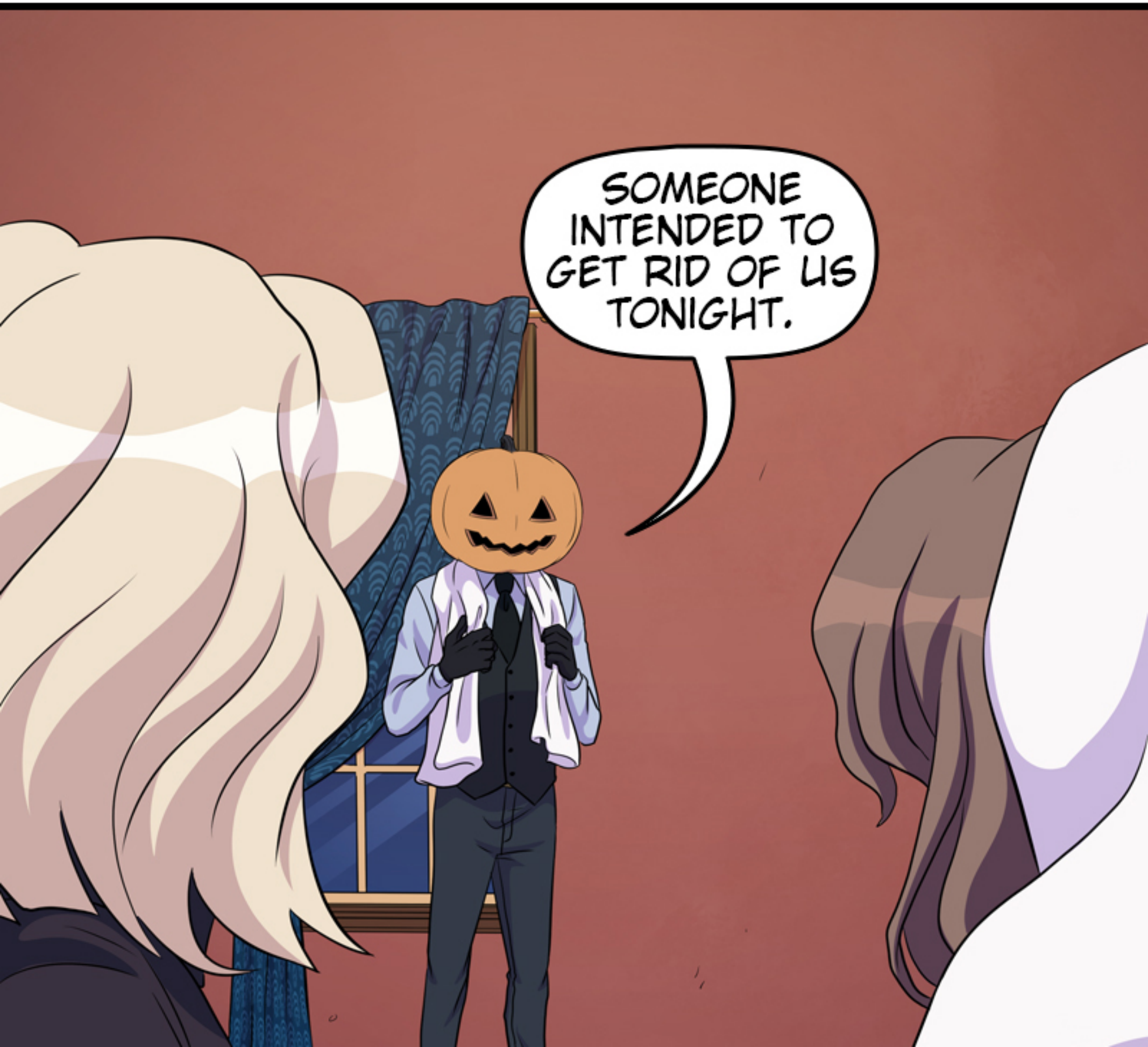


I SPEND
THE WHOLE NIGHT
CRAFTING CUSTOM
SPELLWORK, AND YOU
**BURN MY HOUSE
DOWN?!**

WELL,
UH...







SOMEONE
INTENDED TO
GET RID OF US
TONIGHT.

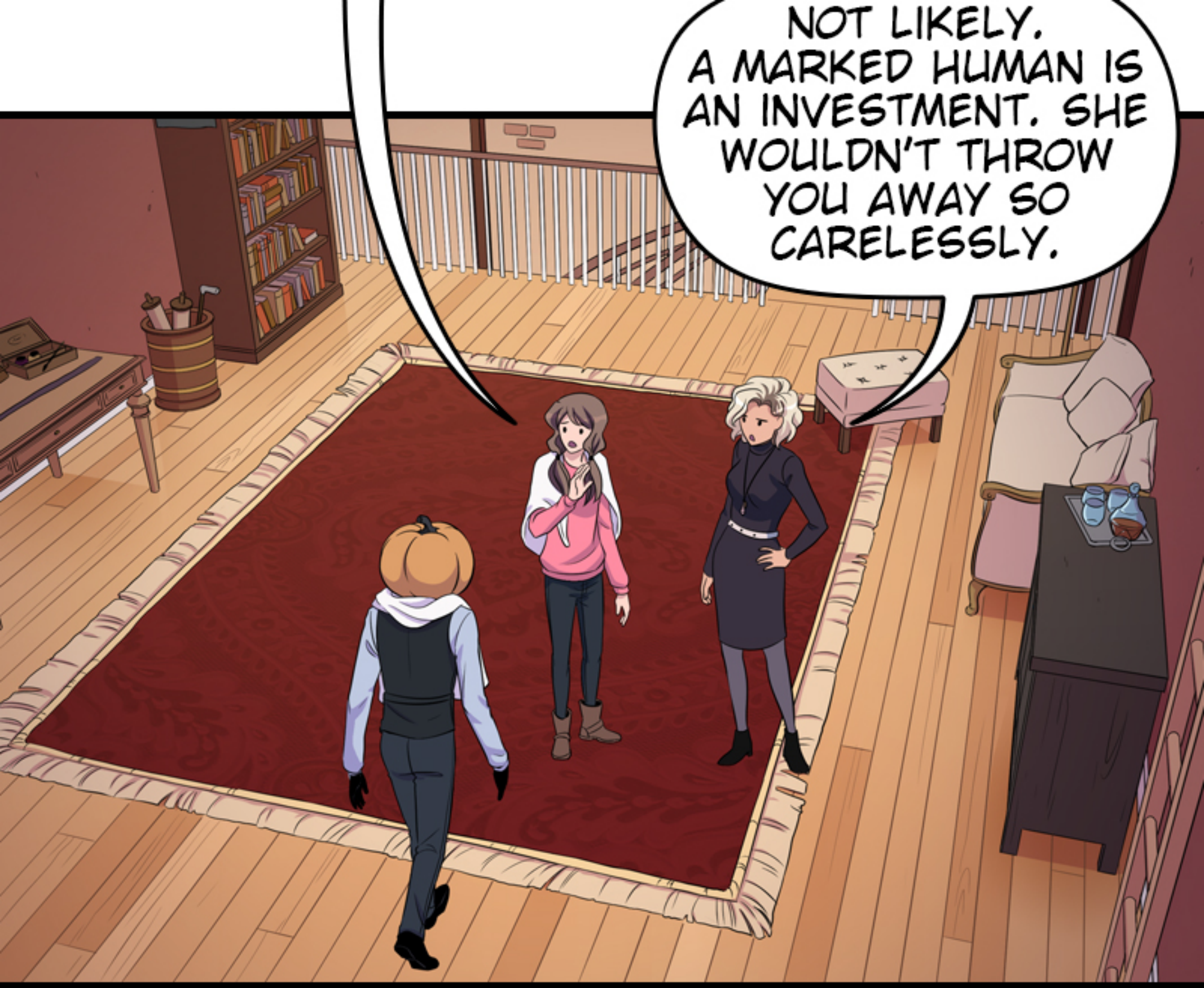


SOMEONE
WHO ***KNEW***
WE'D BE AT THAT
MANSION.





DO YOU THINK IT WAS
ALICE? MY HAND STARTED
BURNING RIGHT BEFORE
THE EXPLOSION.



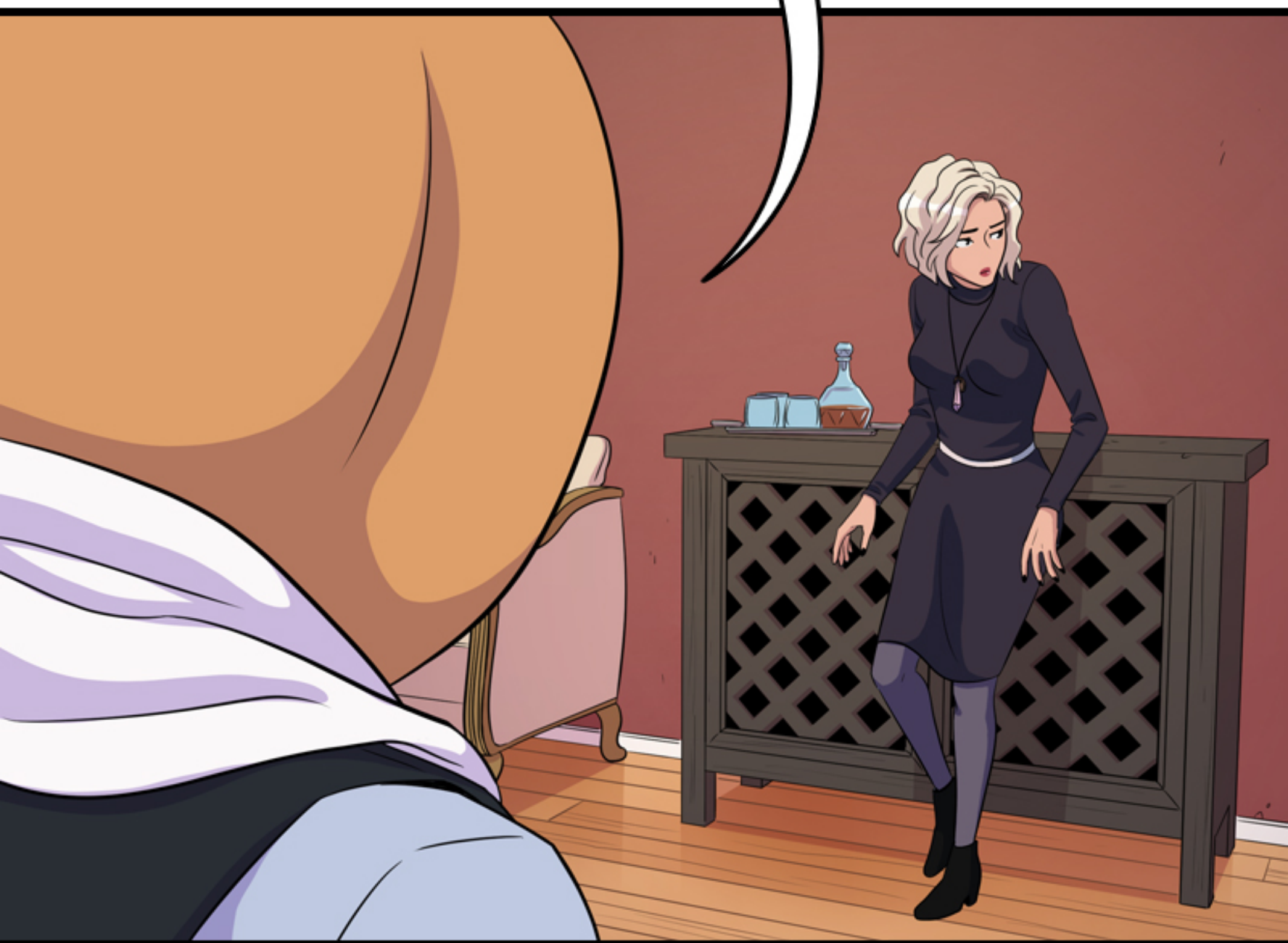
THEN WE
LOOK TO THE
OTHER PLAYER IN THIS
GAME. WHAT DO WE
KNOW ABOUT
OBERON?

HE'S A DICK.

WHAT ELSE?

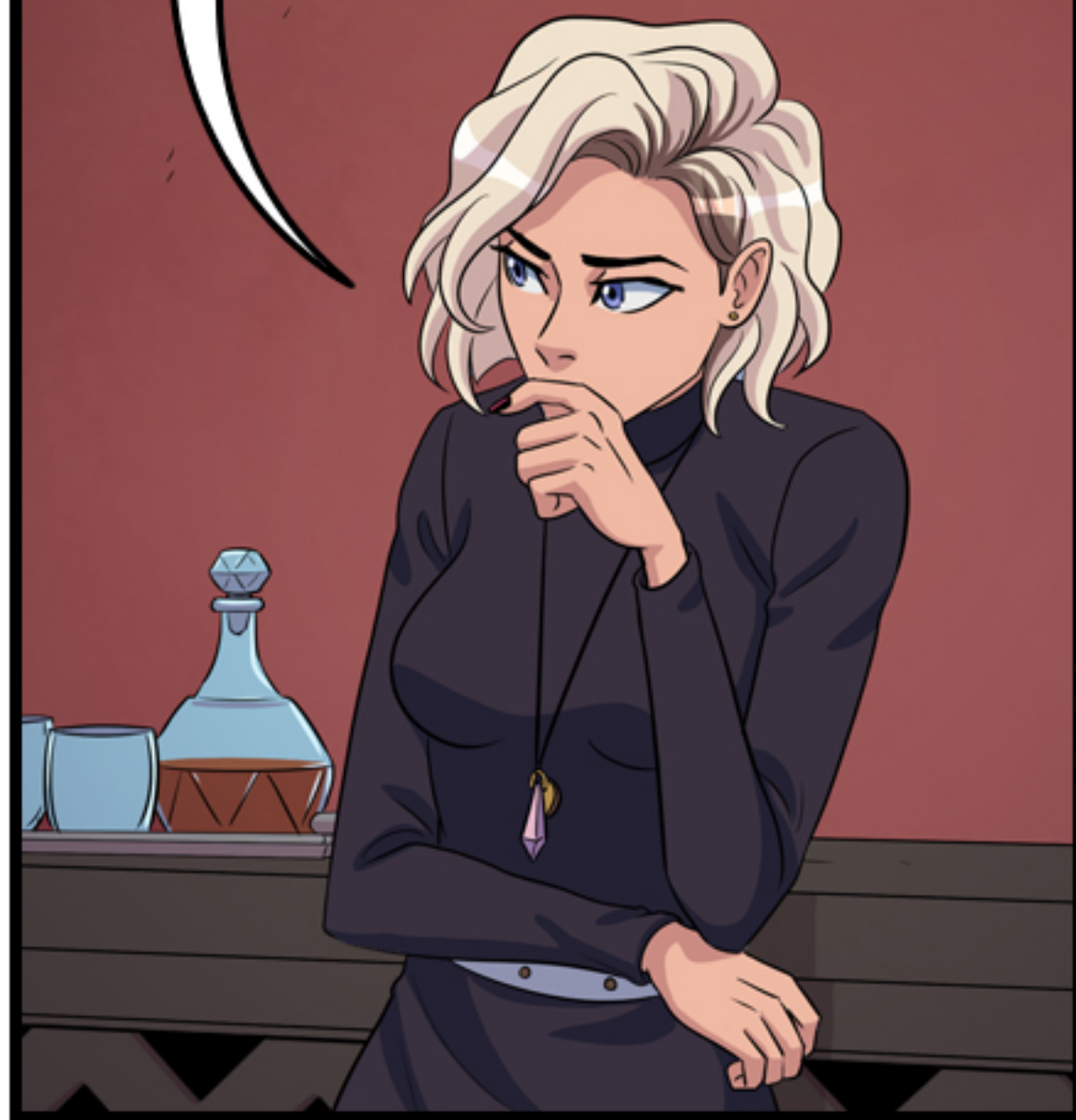


MARIS?



...WE'VE NEVER
MET, BUT HE HAS
A REPUTATION AS A
TROUBLEMAKER,
EVEN BY DEMON
STANDARDS.

BLOWING UP
A HOUSE WOULDN'T
BE OUT OF CHARACTER,
BUT TRACKING YOU TWO
AND SETTING THIS UP...
THAT REQUIRES
PLANNING.

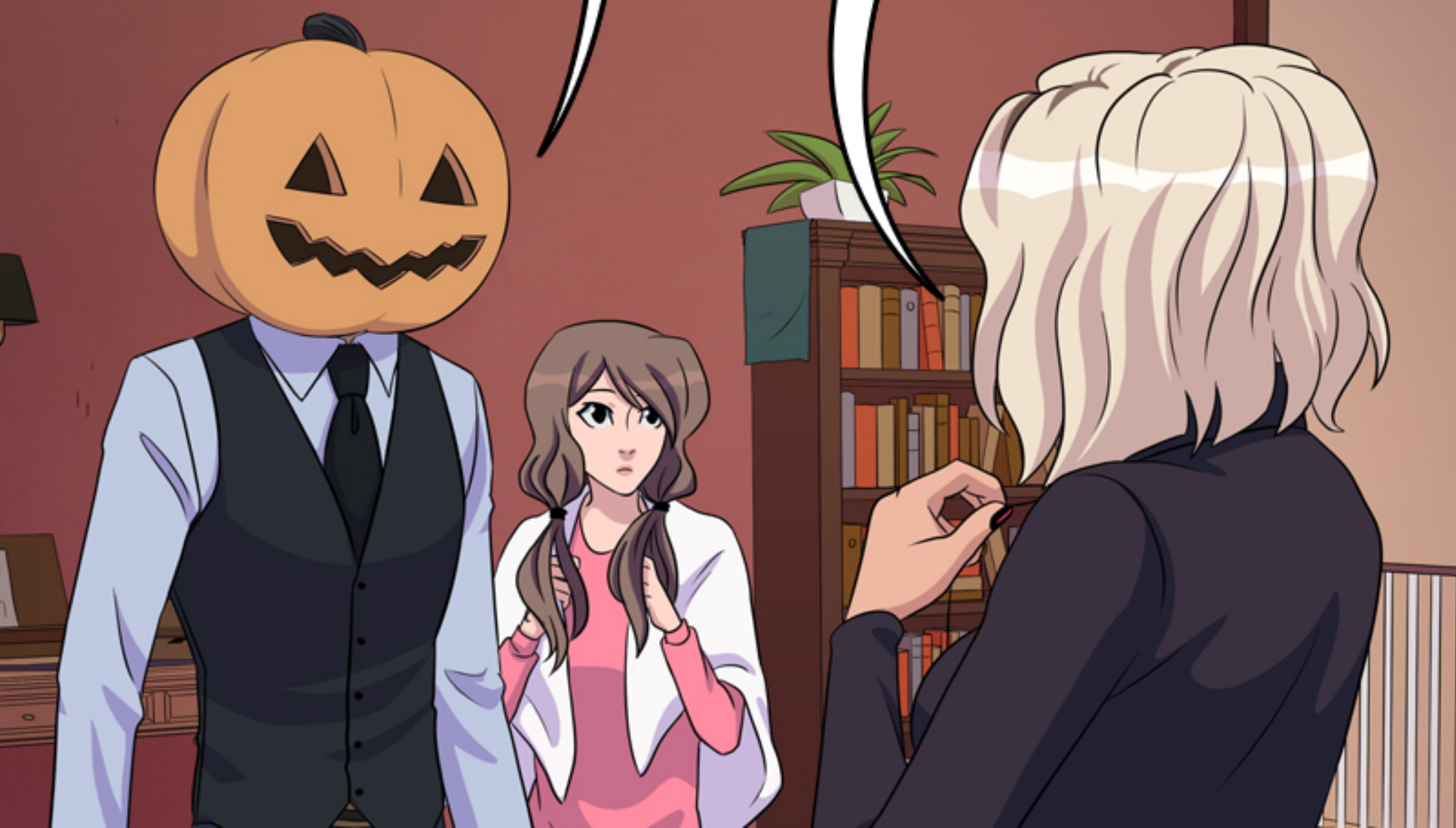




WHICH
MEANS *TITANIA*
IS INVOLVED.

TITANIA?

OBERON'S
PARTNER. I SUSPECT
THEY THINK THEY'RE
CLEVER, PULLING FROM
SHAKESPEARE.





HUH?

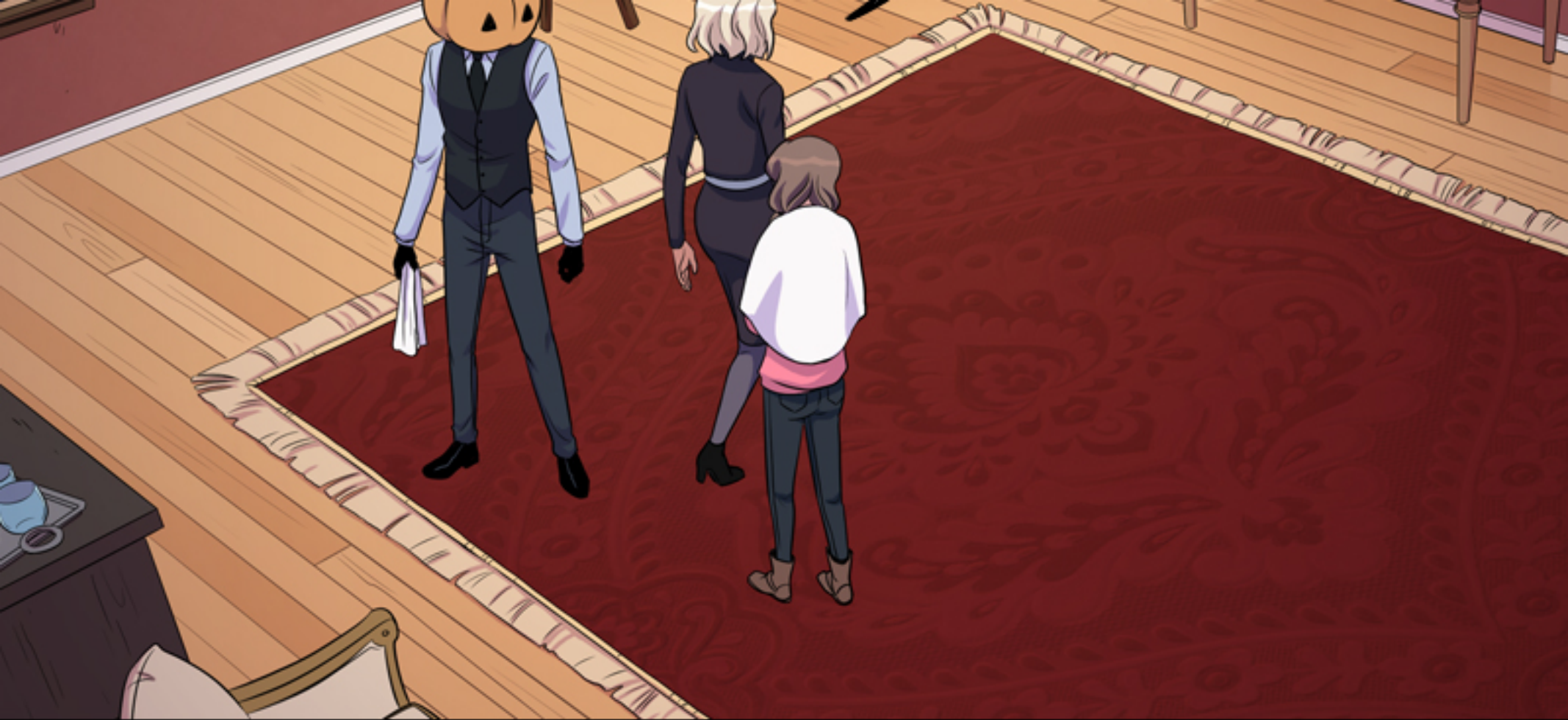
DEMONS NEVER
REVEAL THEIR TRUE
NAMES. THEY ALWAYS
USE ALIASES.

AND IT APPEARS
THESE TWO HAVE A
FLAIR FOR THE
DRAMATIC.



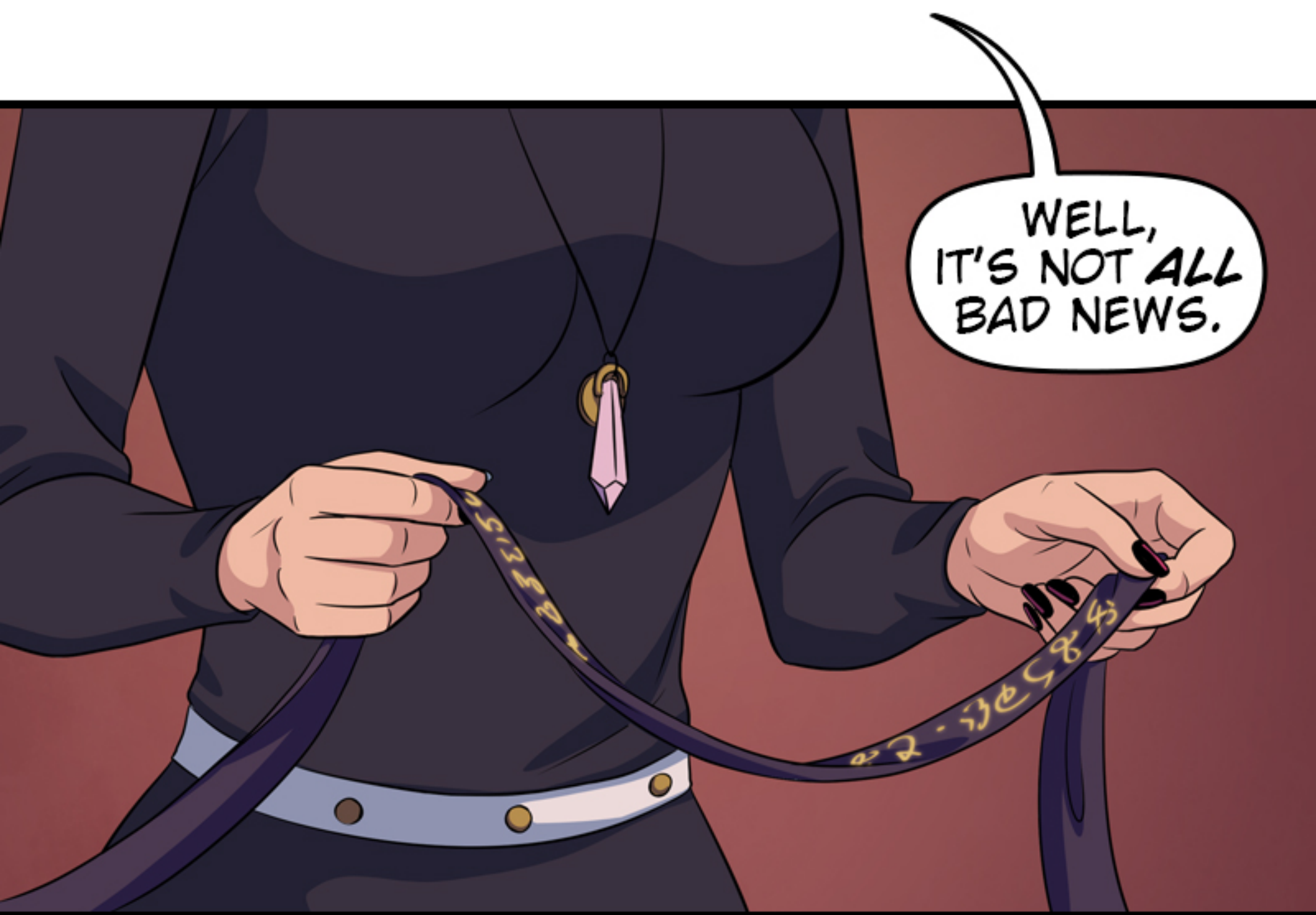
OBERON
DOES, BUT TITANIA...
SHE'S MORE...
PRACTICAL.





AND IF
THEY'RE TRULY
GOING TO WAR WITH
ALICE, SHE PROBABLY
SEES YOU AS
A LIABILITY.





HOLD
OUT YOUR
HAND.



THIS
SHOULD BLOCK
THE CONNECTION
WITH ALICE WHILE
STILL ALLOWING YOU
TO MANIFEST
FLAMES.





THE SPELLWORK IS A BIT
UNCONVENTIONAL...



...BUT IT'LL DO
UNTIL WE CAN FIND
A MORE PERMANENT
SOLUTION.





THANKS
MARIS! THIS
IS REALLY
GREAT!

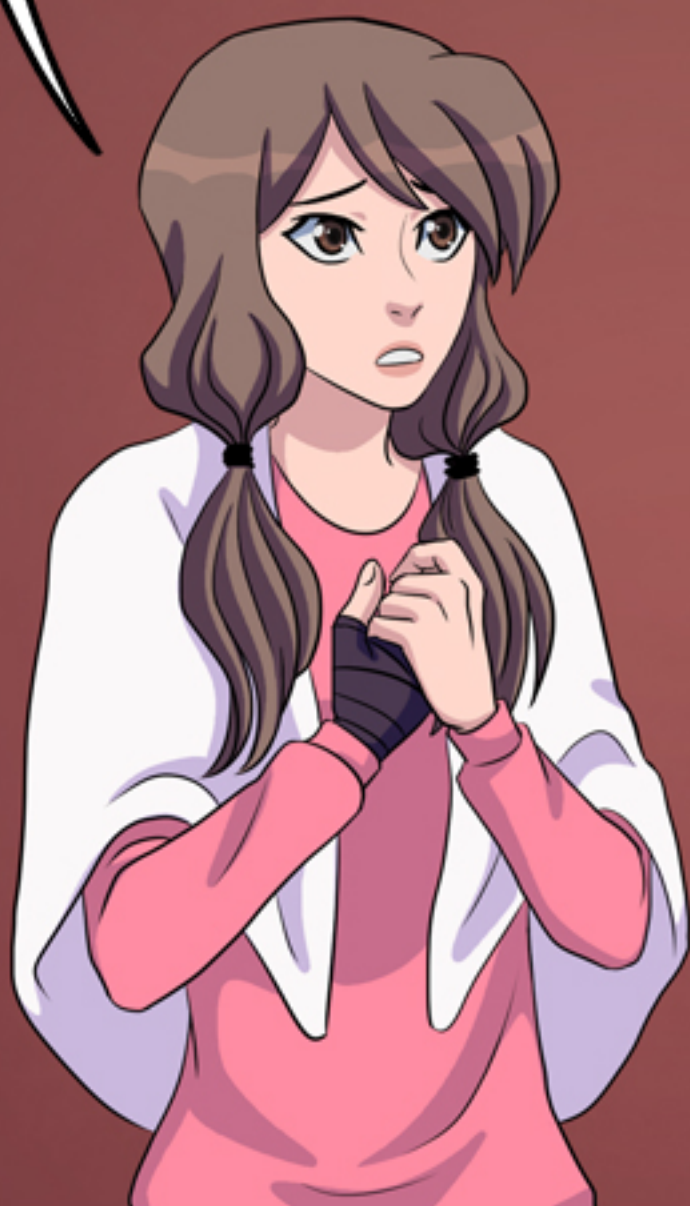




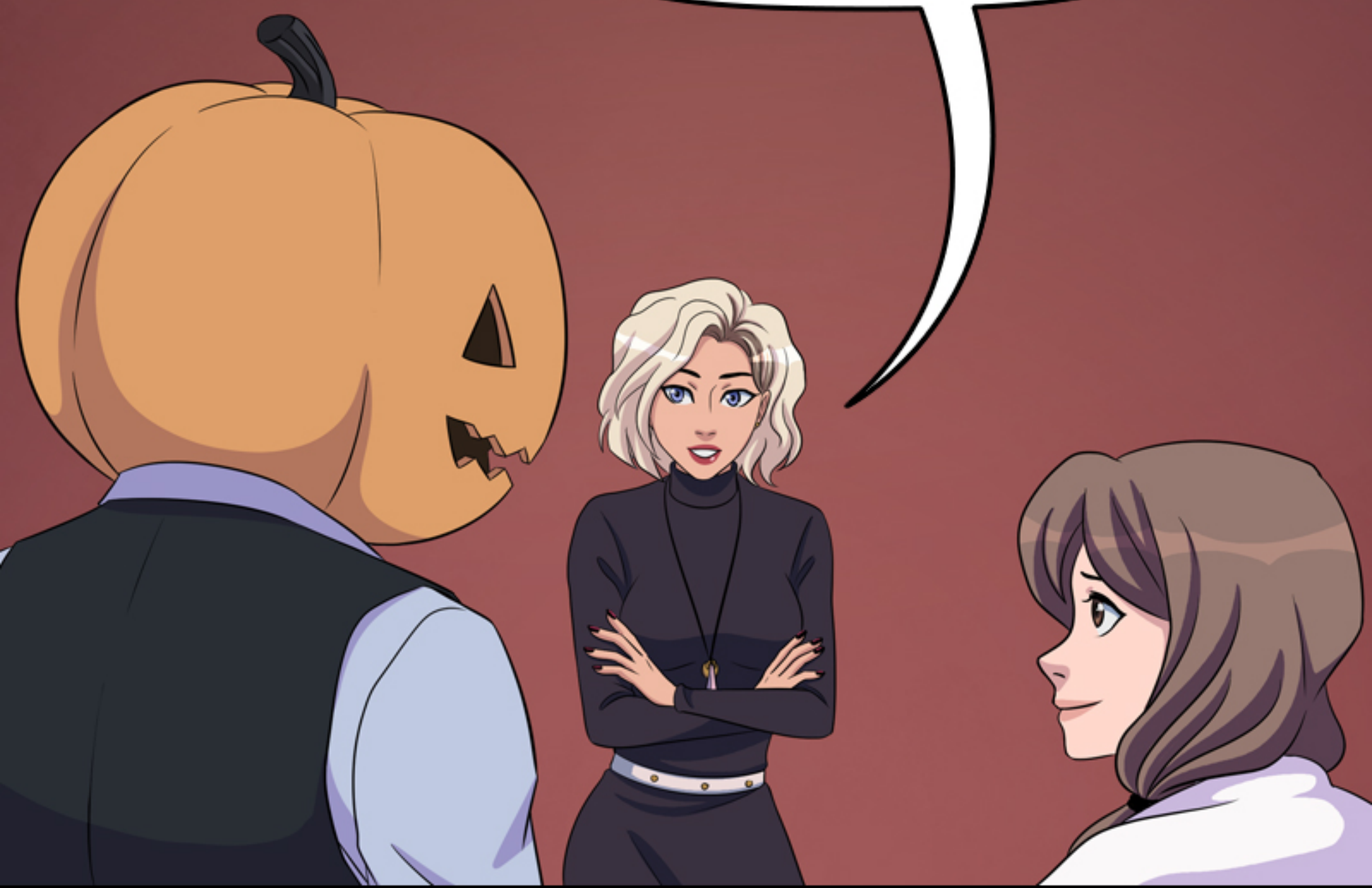
I'M SUPER

SORRY ABOUT
WHAT HAPPENED TO
YOUR HOUSE,
THOUGH.

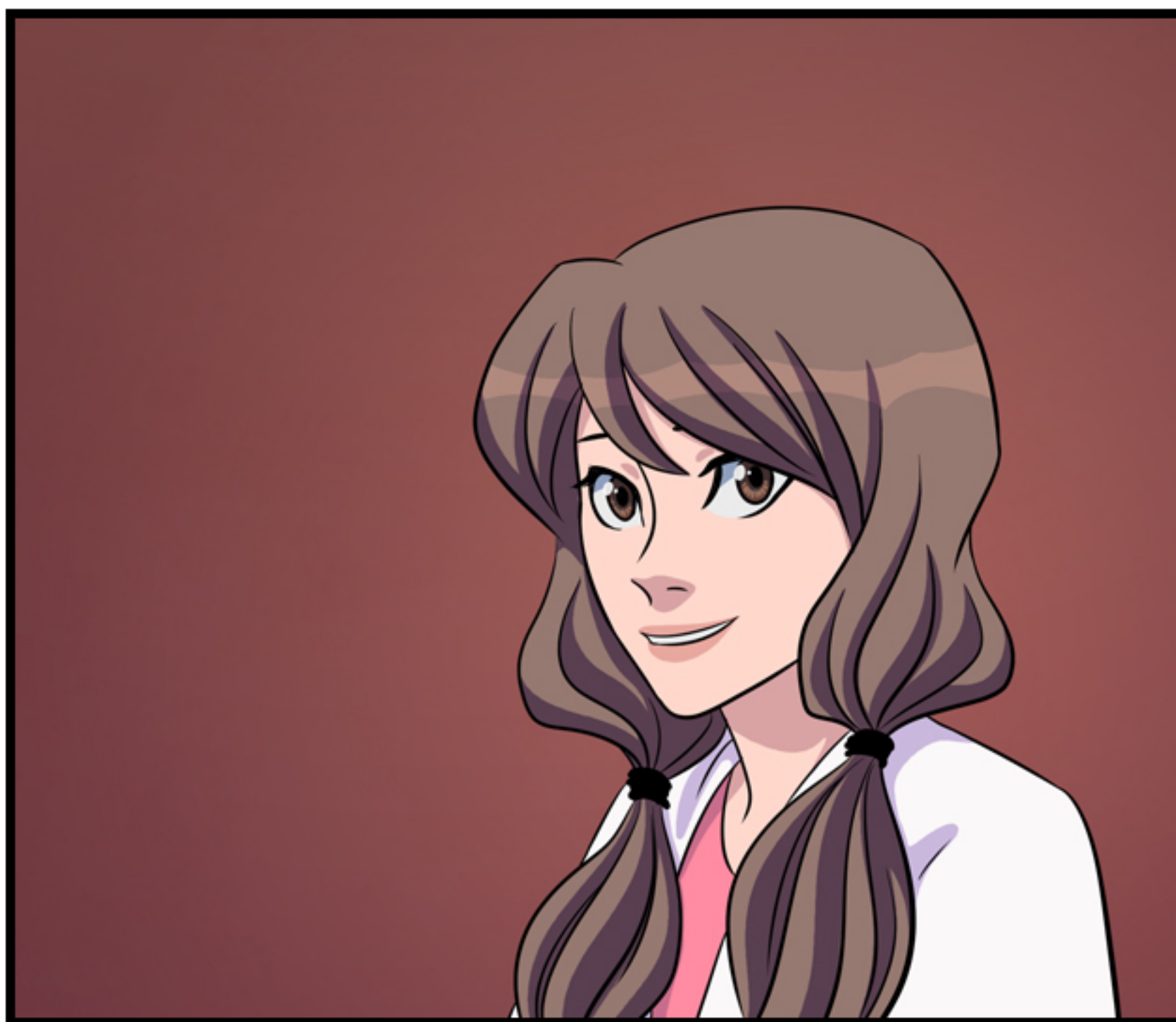
WELL, YOU *DID*
TECHNICALLY GET RID OF
THE IMPS. IT'S ONLY RIGHT
THAT I FULFILL MY END
OF THE BARGAIN.



BESIDES,
I'D HATE FOR ICHABOD
TO LOSE HIS PARTNER. HE
SEEMS RATHER FOND
OF YOU.







ALL RIGHT,
ENOUGH OF THE
SCHMALTZY STUFF. I
NEED A STIFF DRINK--
MAYBE THREE OR
FOUR, ACTUALLY.

ELLIE, YOU'RE
JOINING ME.

YOU'RE
THE BOSS.

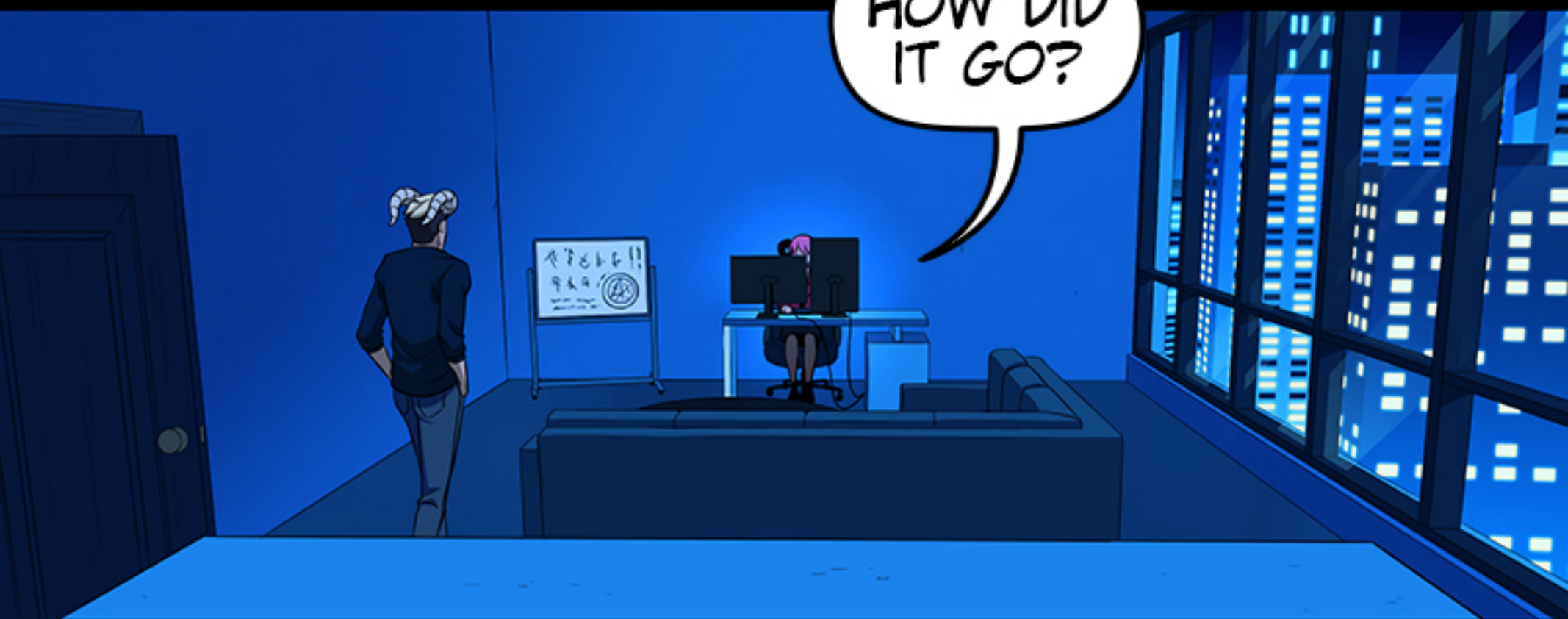


YO, TITANIA!





HOW DID
IT GO?



SHITTILY,
THANKS FOR
ASKING.

THE BOMB
WORKED GREAT,
BUT THEY STILL
GOT AWAY.



JUMPED OUT THE
WINDOW, IF YOU CAN
BELIEVE IT.



AND IT LOOKS
LIKE YOU WERE
RIGHT ABOUT ALICE
MARKING THE GIRL. ARE
YOU GONNA FINISH
THESE?

NO.

GOOD, 'CAUSE I
ALREADY ATE LIKE
THREE QUARTERS
OF THEM.





SO NOW
WHAT? YOU WANNA
TRY AGAIN?



TAP TAP TAP



NOT YET.
I'M SURE THEY'RE
ON TO US BY NOW.
ANOTHER ATTACK
WOULD BE TOO
RISKY.

BESIDES,
SOMETHING
MORE IMPORTANT
JUST CAME
UP.



WE HAVE A
NEW CANDIDATE
TO COLLECT.



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