

# PRIYA AND THE TWIRLING WIND



Story by  
Shubhra Prakash  
Raven Kaliana

Augmented Reality by  
Ram Devineni

Art by  
Syd Fini  
Neda Kazemifar



STORY  
**SHUBHRA PRAKASH**  
**RAVEN KALIANA**

ART & COLORING  
**SYD FINI**  
**NEDA KAZEMIFAR**

MUSIC & SOUND  
**RENE VERON**

AUGMENTED REALITY  
**RAM DEVINENI**

PUPPET DESIGNER  
**RAVEN KALIANA**

“Gender Equality Champion” — UN WOMEN  
[www.powerofpriya.com](http://www.powerofpriya.com)

*Priya and the Twirling Wind* comic book and animation puppet film was developed in coordination with the North India Office (NIO) of the U.S. Embassy, New Delhi. The project was funded through a grant from the Public Affairs Section, U.S. Embassy, New Delhi. The curriculum was created by Regional English Language Office (RELO) of the U.S. Embassy, New Delhi. The comic was made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of New York State Governor and the New York State Legislature. The animated puppet film was supported by Little Angel Theatre and Network of Ensemble Theaters. Protected under Creative Commons license: Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivatives 4.0 International. Copyright © 2022 by Rattapallax, Inc. All rights reserved.

SHUBHRA PRAKASH, Hindi Translation. KARINE BENDER, Portuguese Translation.

MILA FAHREN, Italian Translation. MELANCONNIE, Spanish Translation.

SUSAN IANNUZZI, Curriculum Designer.

RAM DEVINENI, TANVI GANDHI, INDRANI RAY & MONIKA SAMTANI, Producers.

DIPTI MEHTA, AMAYA JOSHI, VICK KRISHNA & SHUBHRA PRAKASH, Actors. RAVEN KALIANA & JO ELIZABETH MAY, Puppeteers.

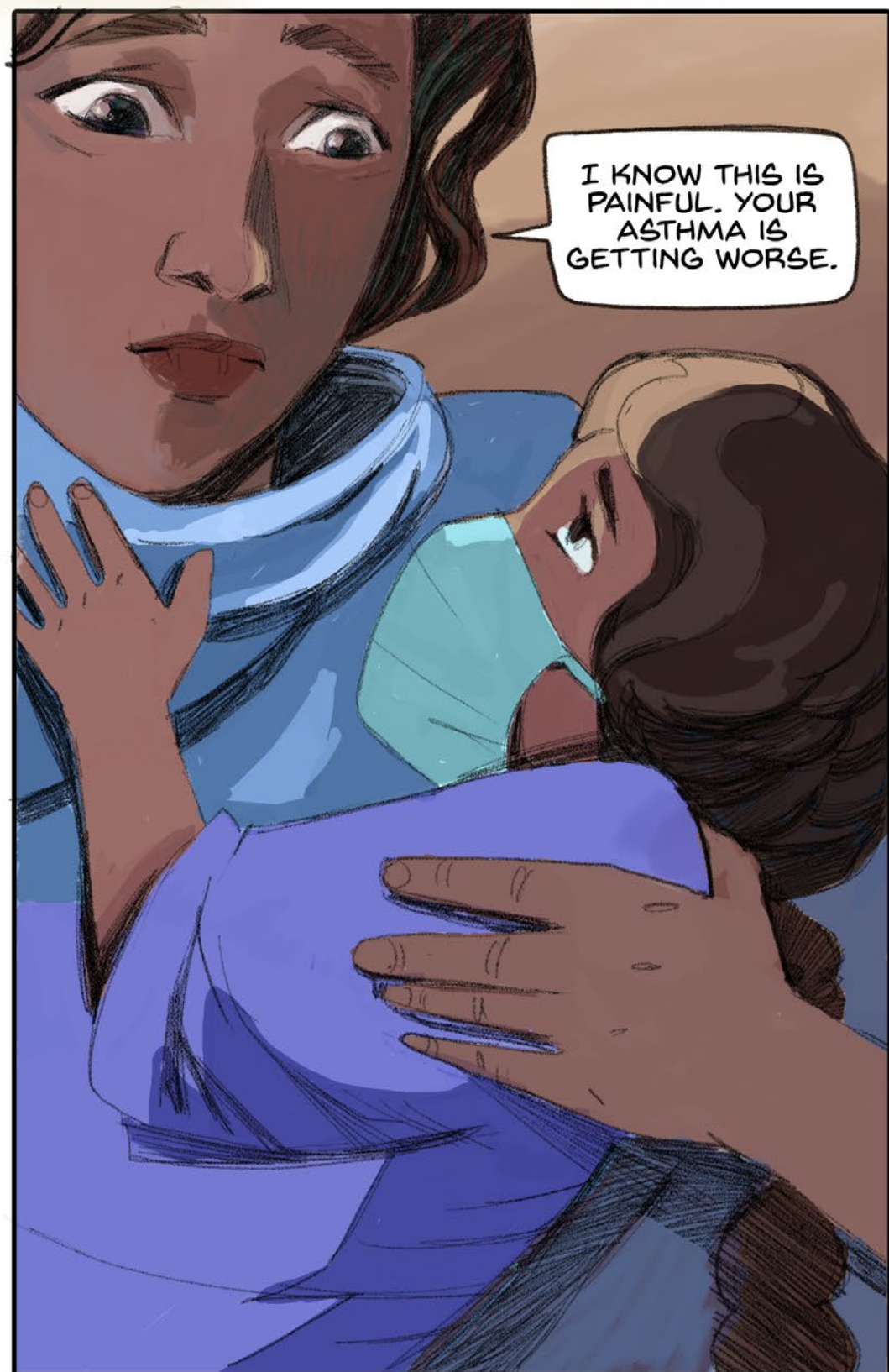
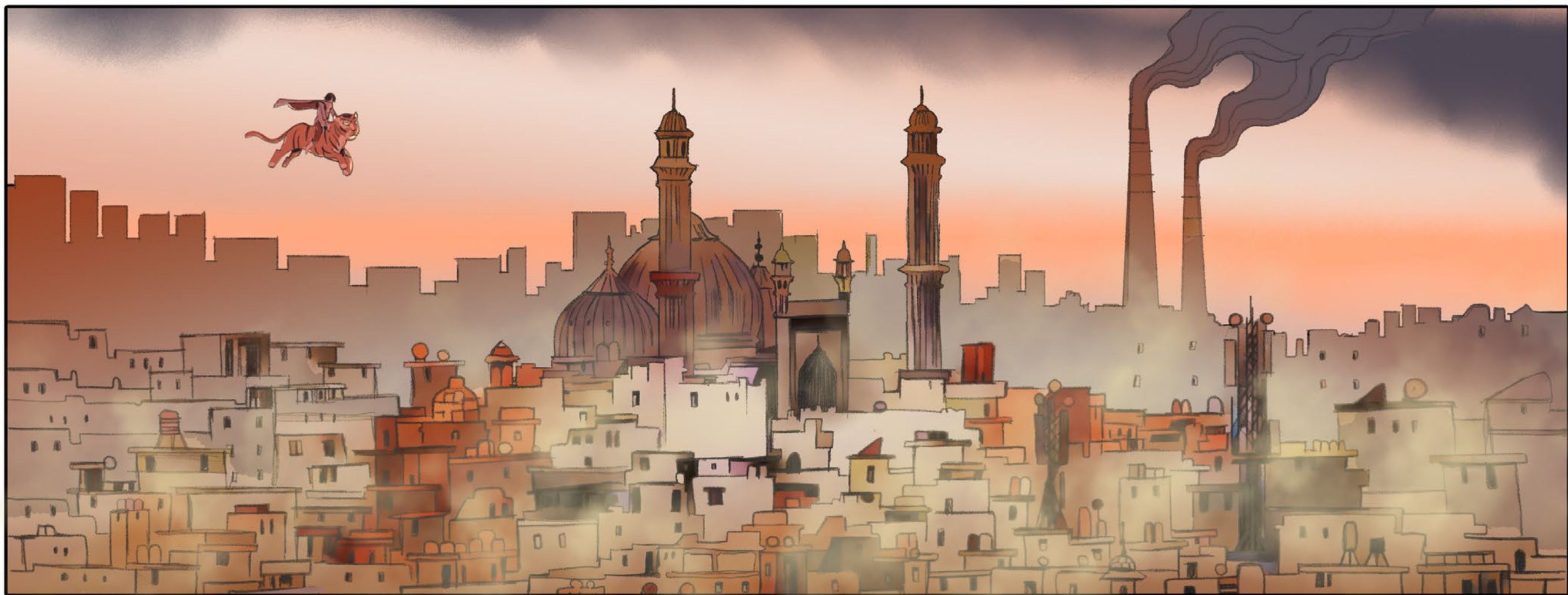
Special thanks to Dr. Vandana Shiva, Professor Chris Rapley, Professor Simon Lewis, Ridhima Pandey, Alexandria Villaseñor, Dr. Pushpinder Chowdhry, Shweta Dalmia, Ishika, Karan, Merissa, Shay and UK Asian Film Festival.

Download the free APP at [artivive.com](http://artivive.com) and scan the comic book's pages to view animation, real-life stories, films, and other interactive elements that take you beyond the story. [#istandwithpriya](https://twitter.com/istandwithpriya)

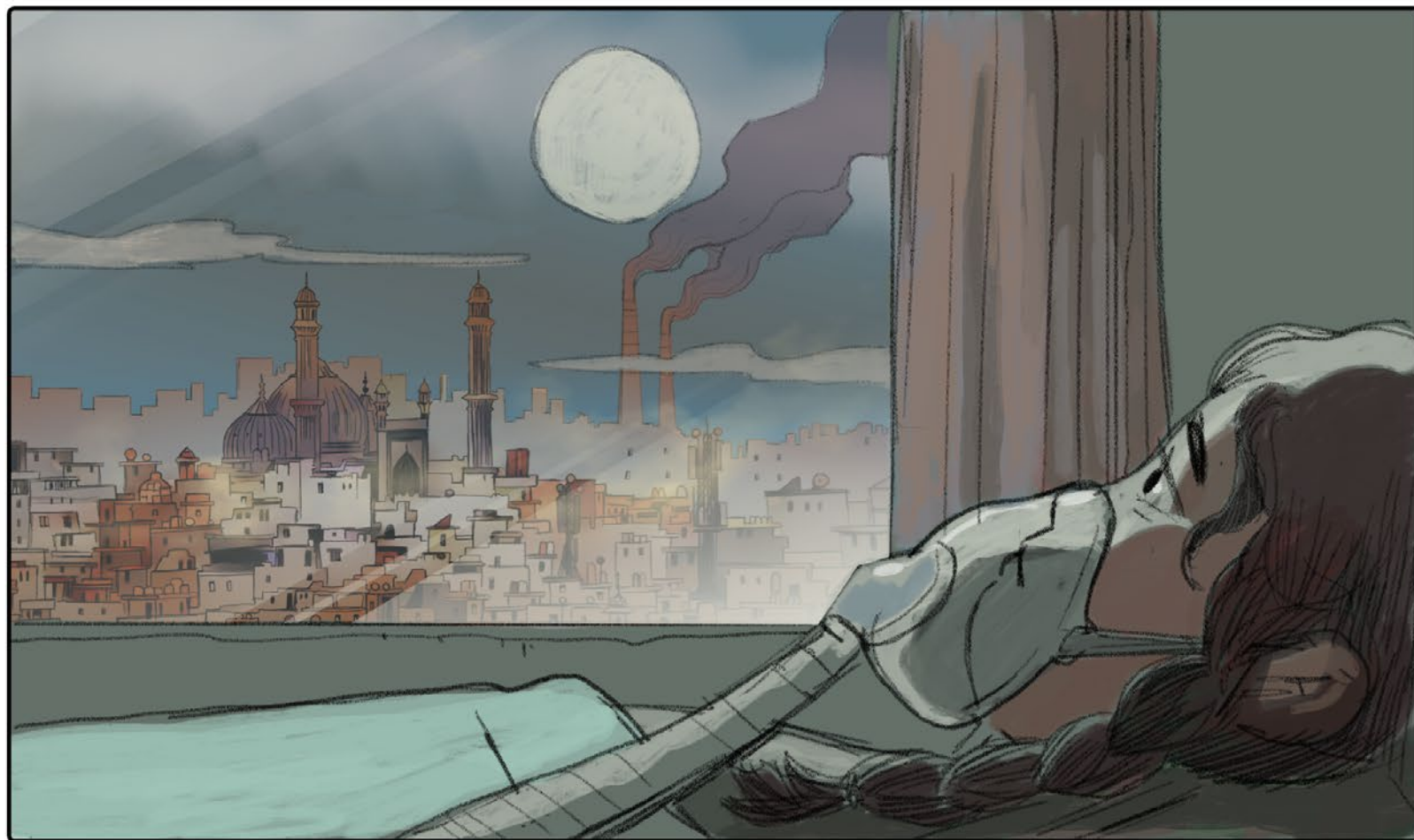
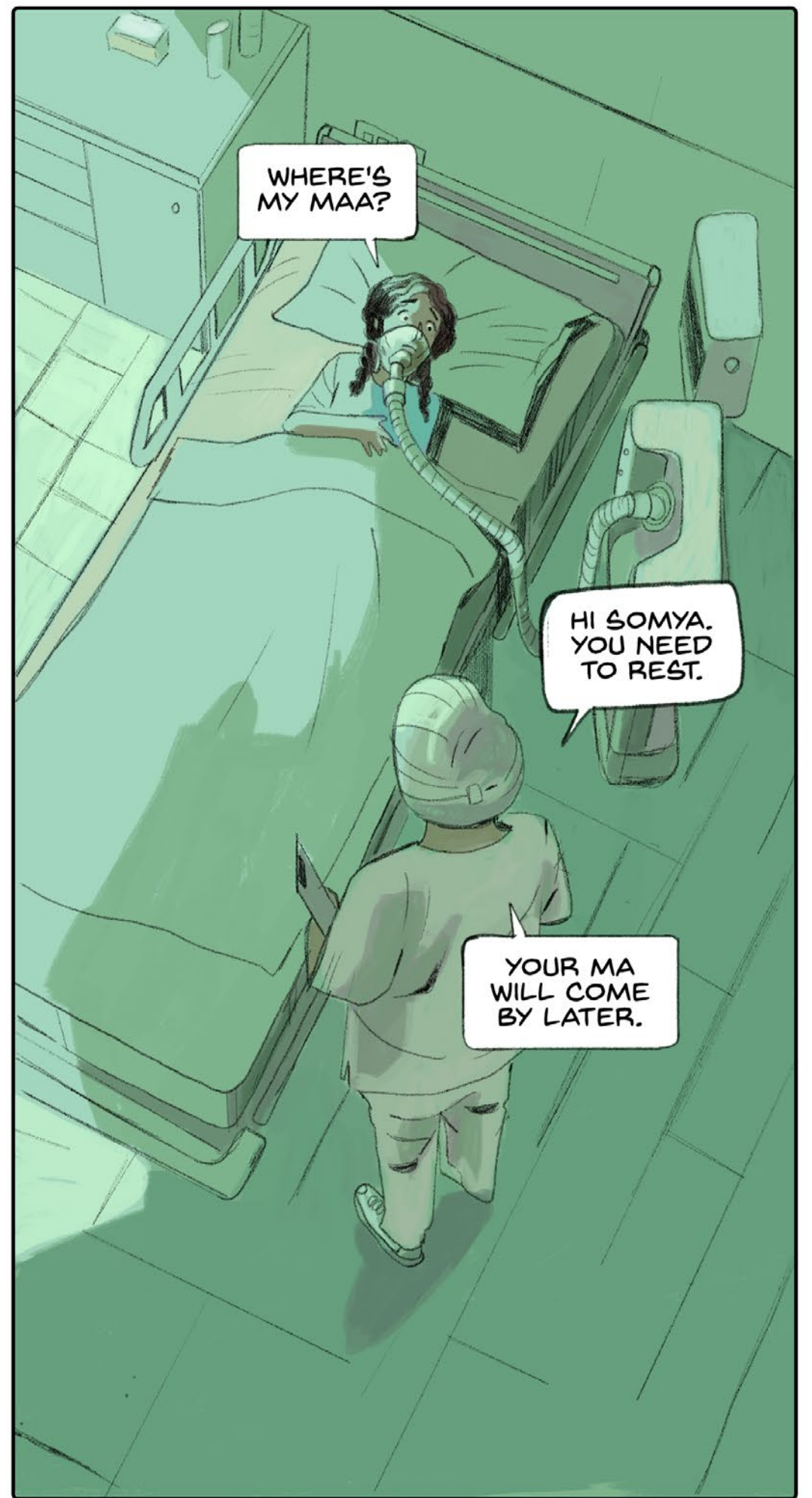


**Rattapallax**









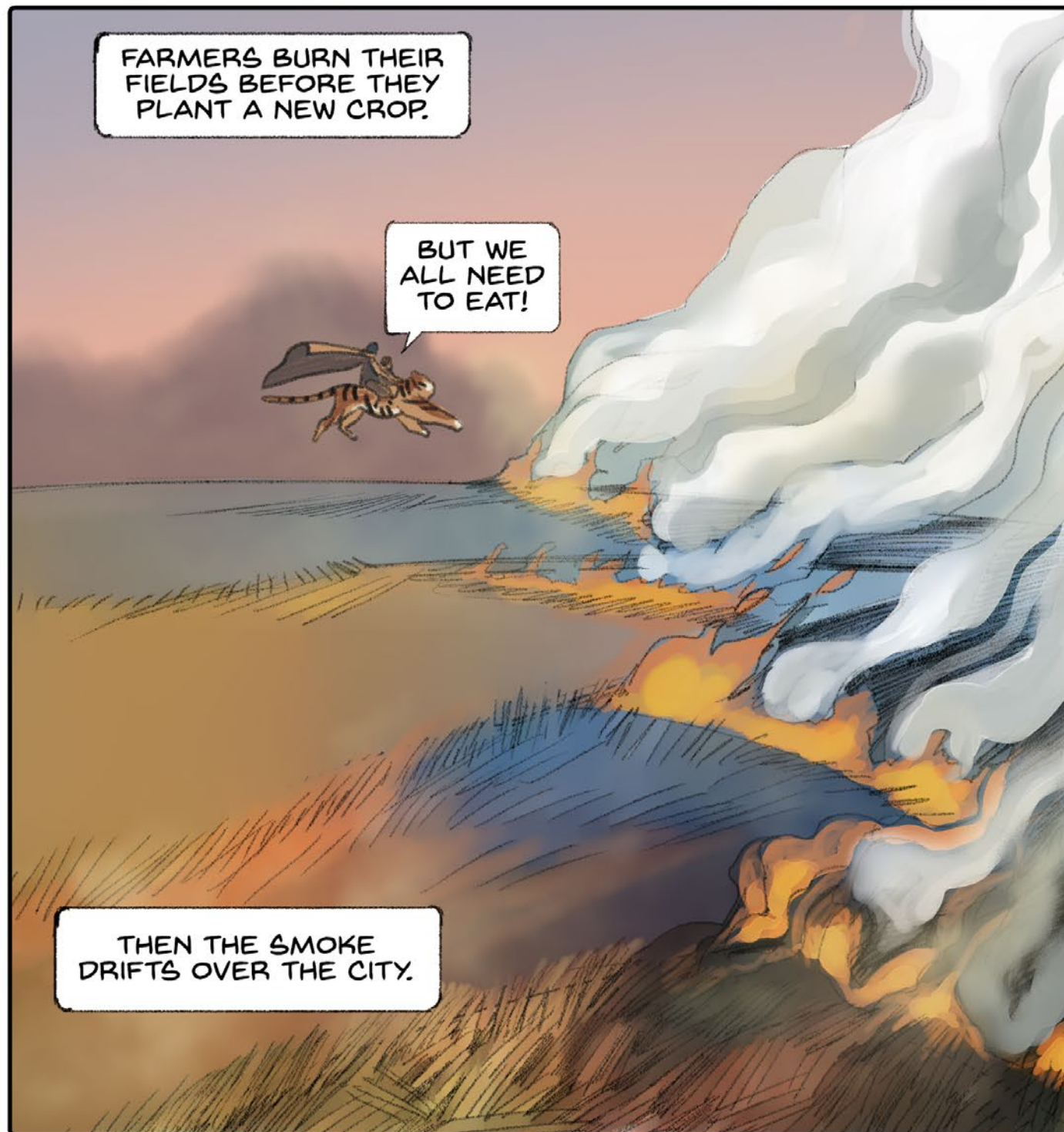








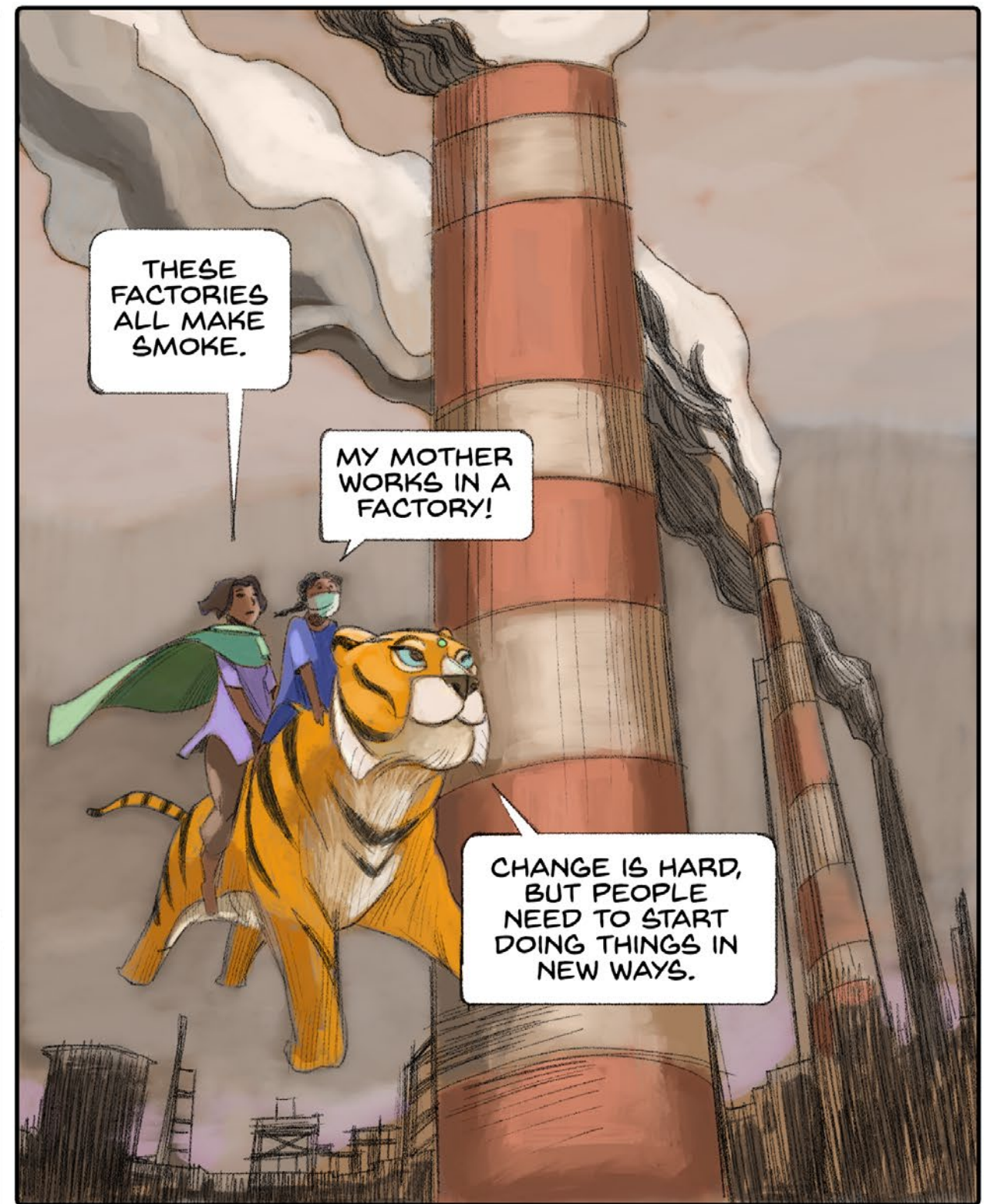
THESE CARS ALL MAKE SMOKE.



FARMERS BURN THEIR FIELDS BEFORE THEY PLANT A NEW CROP.

BUT WE ALL NEED TO EAT!

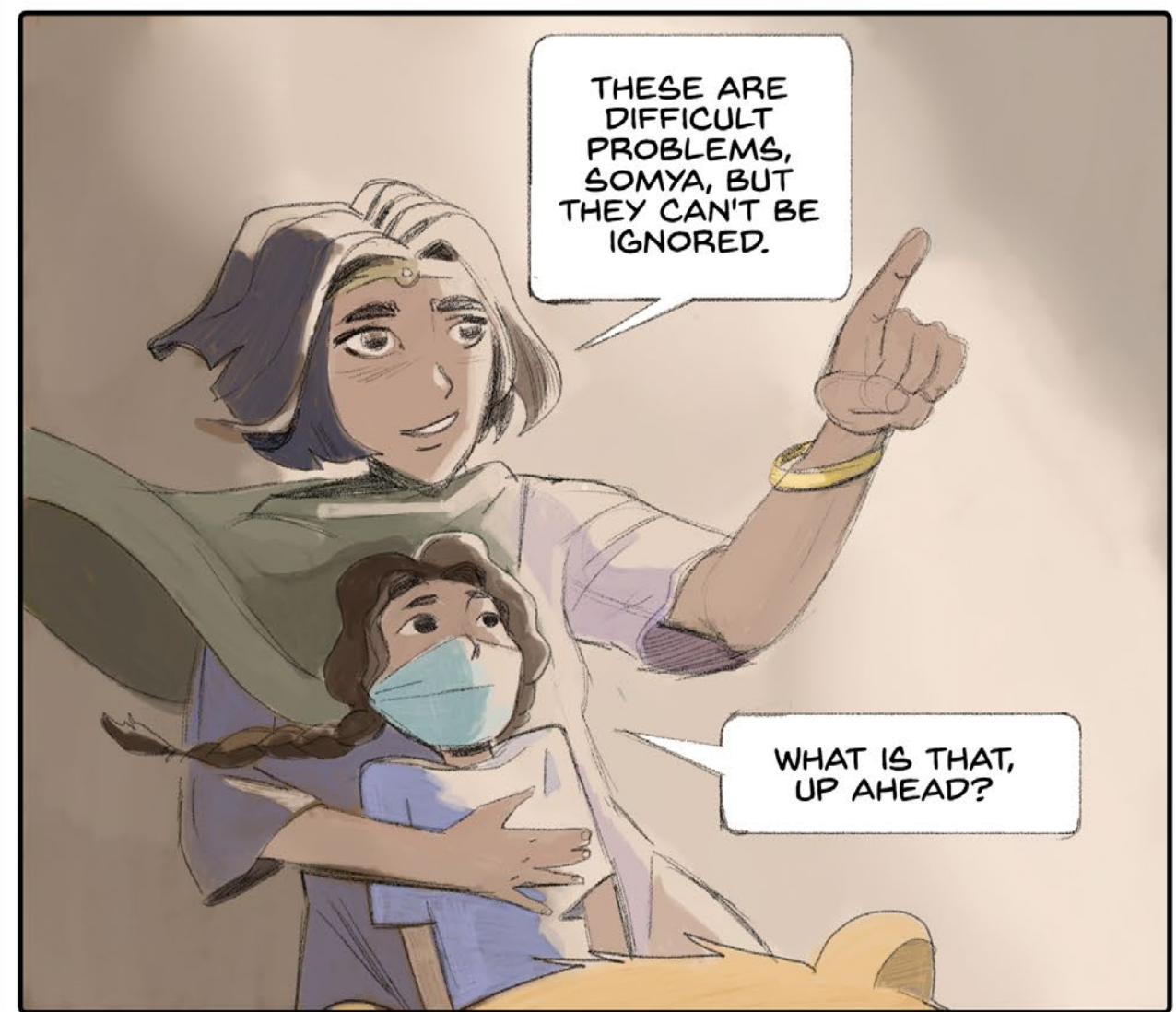
THEN THE SMOKE DRIFTS OVER THE CITY.



THESE FACTORIES ALL MAKE SMOKE.

MY MOTHER WORKS IN A FACTORY!

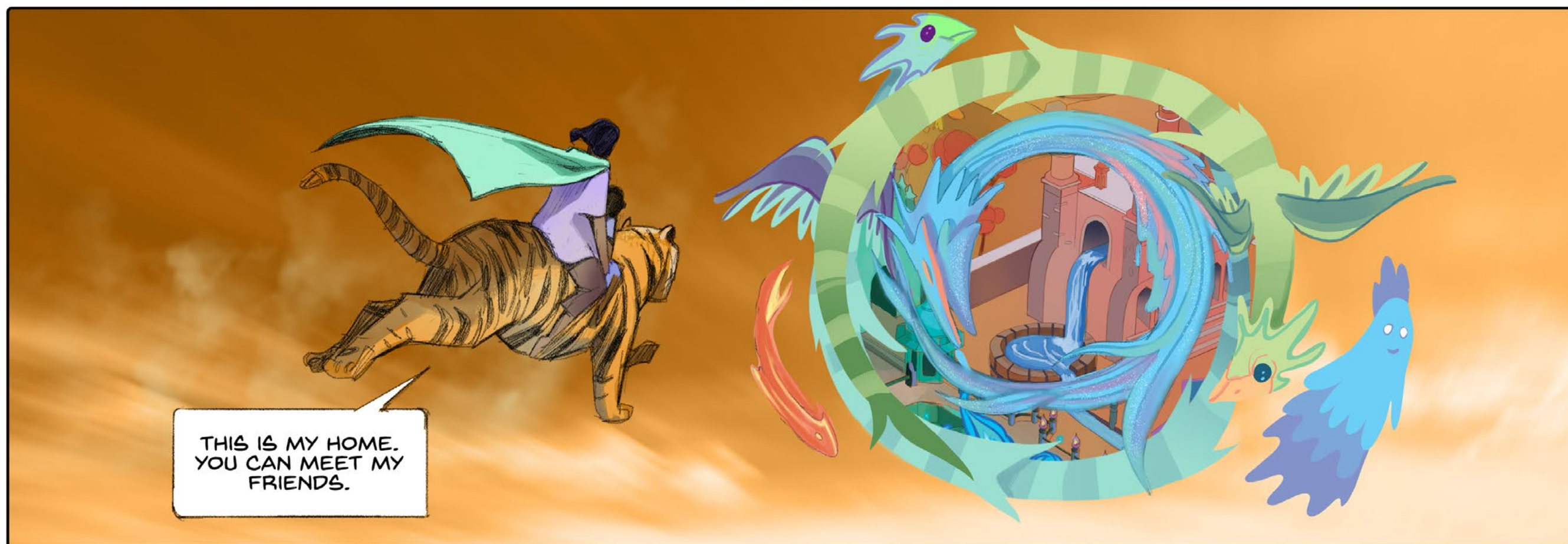
CHANGE IS HARD, BUT PEOPLE NEED TO START DOING THINGS IN NEW WAYS.



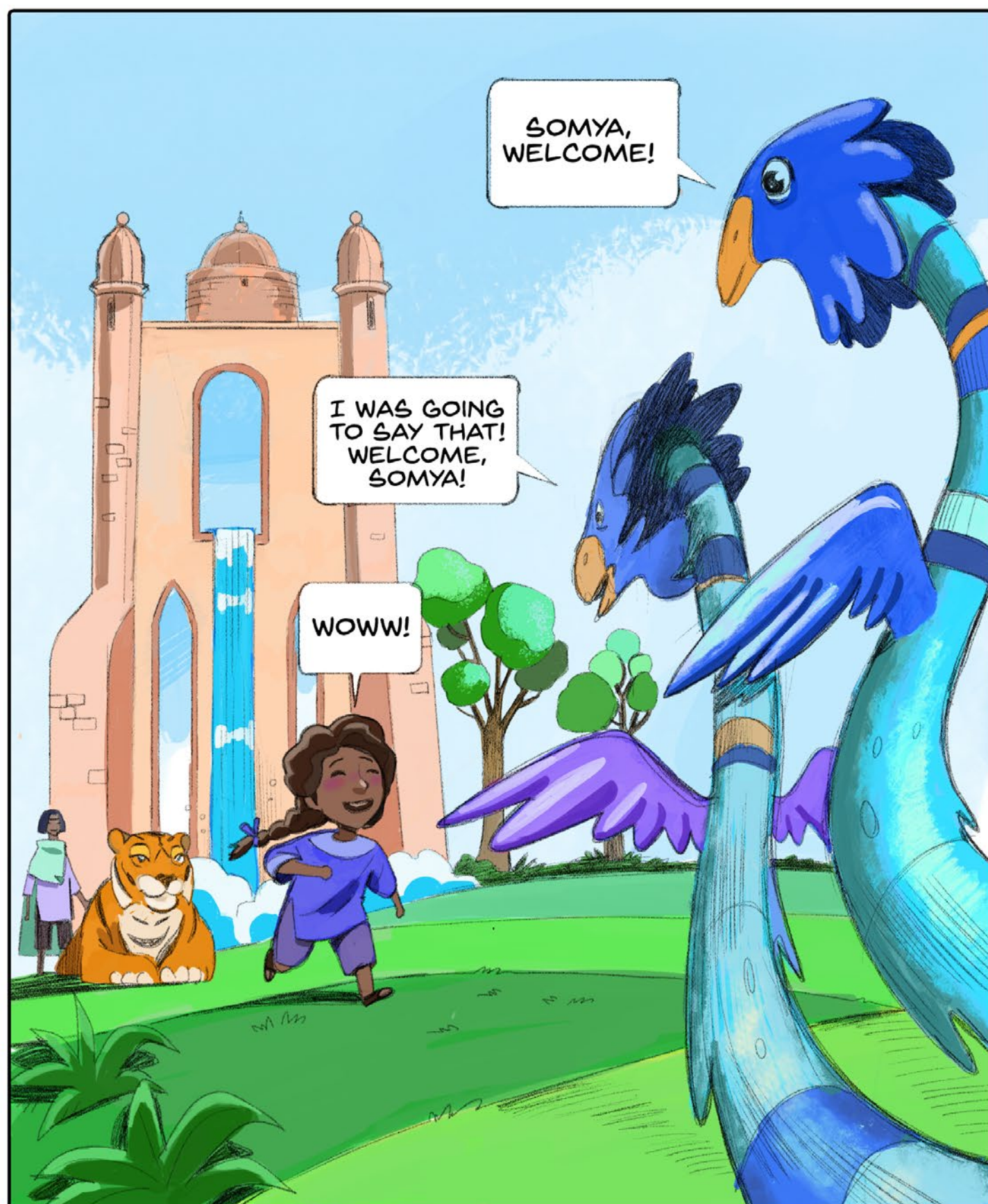
THESE ARE DIFFICULT PROBLEMS, SOMYA, BUT THEY CAN'T BE IGNORED.

WHAT IS THAT, UP AHEAD?





THIS IS MY HOME.  
YOU CAN MEET MY  
FRIENDS.



SOMYA,  
WELCOME!

I WAS GOING  
TO SAY THAT!  
WELCOME,  
SOMYA!

WOWW!



PRIYA, THE  
AIR IS FRESH  
HERE! I CAN  
BREATHE!



MY LUNGS  
DON'T HURT!





HI! WHAT ARE YOU READING?

OH, HELLO. I'M LEARNING ABOUT CLEAN ENERGY.



WHAT'S THAT?

HOW TO MAKE ELECTRICITY WITHOUT MAKING SMOKE.



OHhh. MY CITY, MAYBE WE COULD LEARN ABOUT THAT?

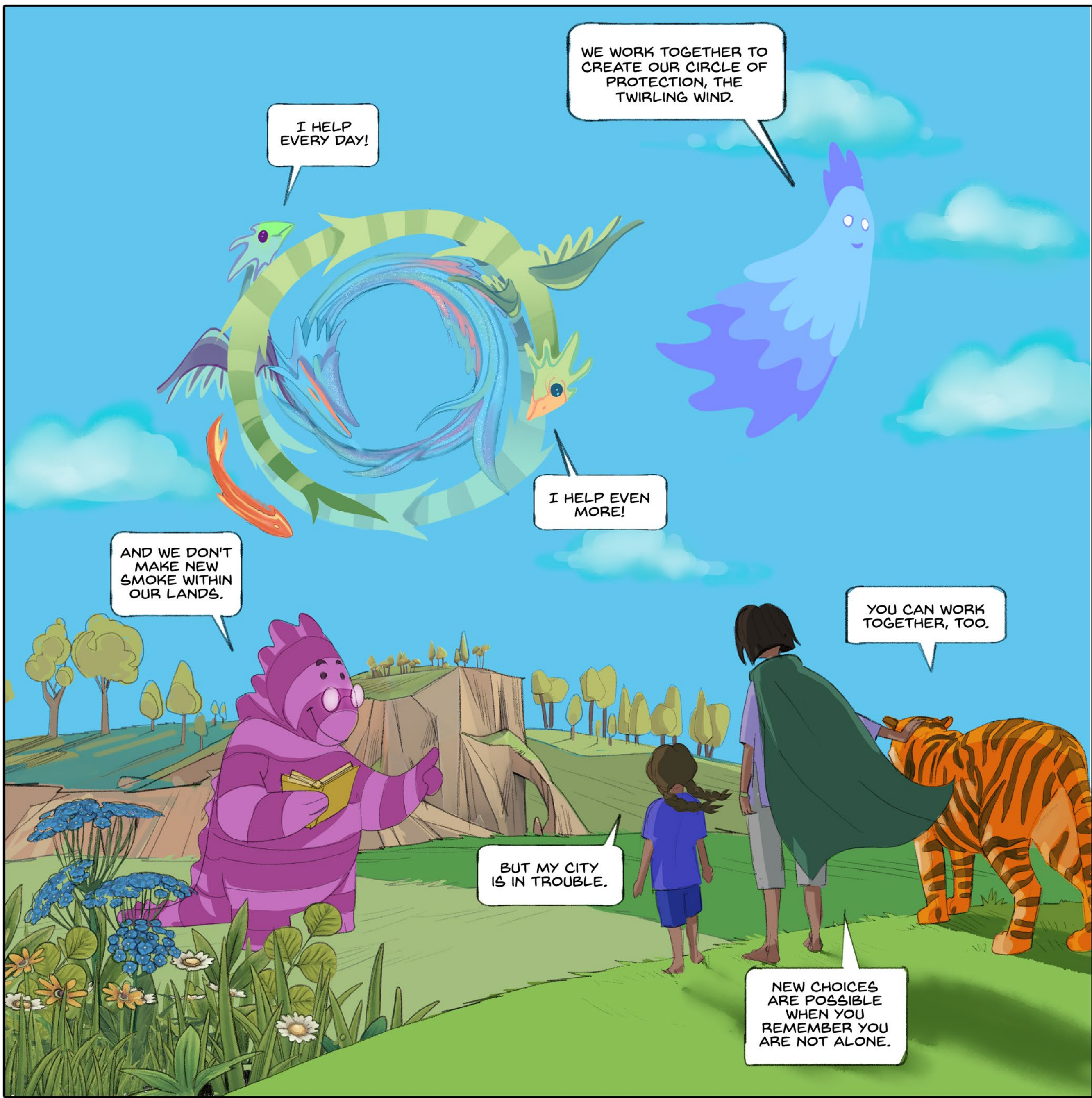
AND THE TREES CLEAN THE AIR. THEY ABSORB THE POLLUTANTS GASSES FROM THE ATMOSPHERE.



IS THAT WHY THE AIR IS SO CLEAN HERE?

EACH OF US PLAYS A PART.





I HELP EVERY DAY!

WE WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE OUR CIRCLE OF PROTECTION, THE TWIRLING WIND.

I HELP EVEN MORE!

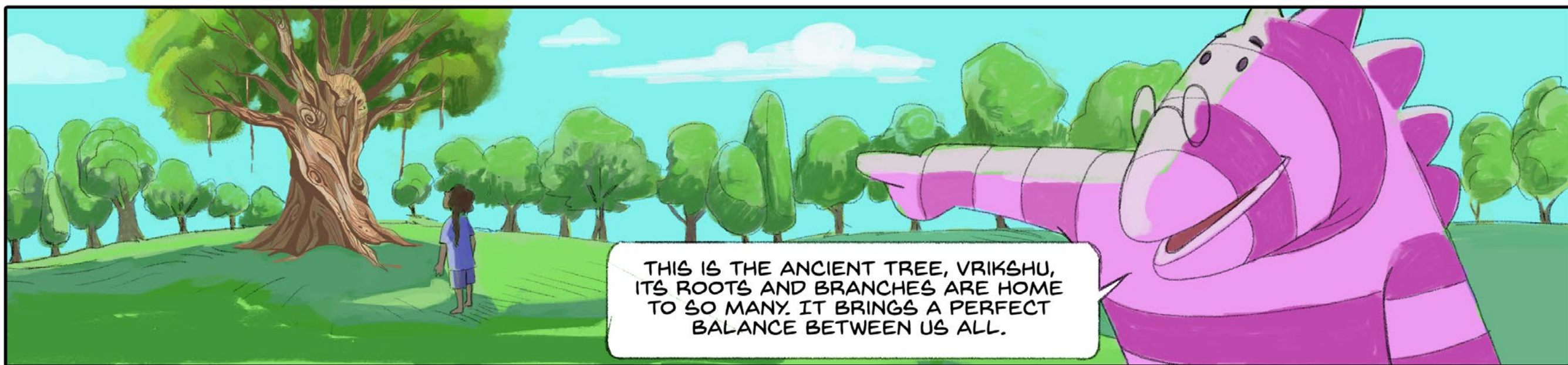
AND WE DON'T MAKE NEW SMOKE WITHIN OUR LANDS.

YOU CAN WORK TOGETHER, TOO.

BUT MY CITY IS IN TROUBLE.

NEW CHOICES ARE POSSIBLE WHEN YOU REMEMBER YOU ARE NOT ALONE.





THIS IS THE ANCIENT TREE, VRIKSHU, ITS ROOTS AND BRANCHES ARE HOME TO SO MANY. IT BRINGS A PERFECT BALANCE BETWEEN US ALL.



AHAA NEW LAND!  
NEW POSSIBILITIES!  
YOU'VE DONE WELL  
DAKSH AND BHAKSH!

THANKS,  
BOSS!



WHAT A  
TERRIBLE  
SOUND!

FOOLISH PEOPLE  
TAKE YOUR HANDS  
OFF YOUR EARS AND  
LISTEN TO BHAYAR!

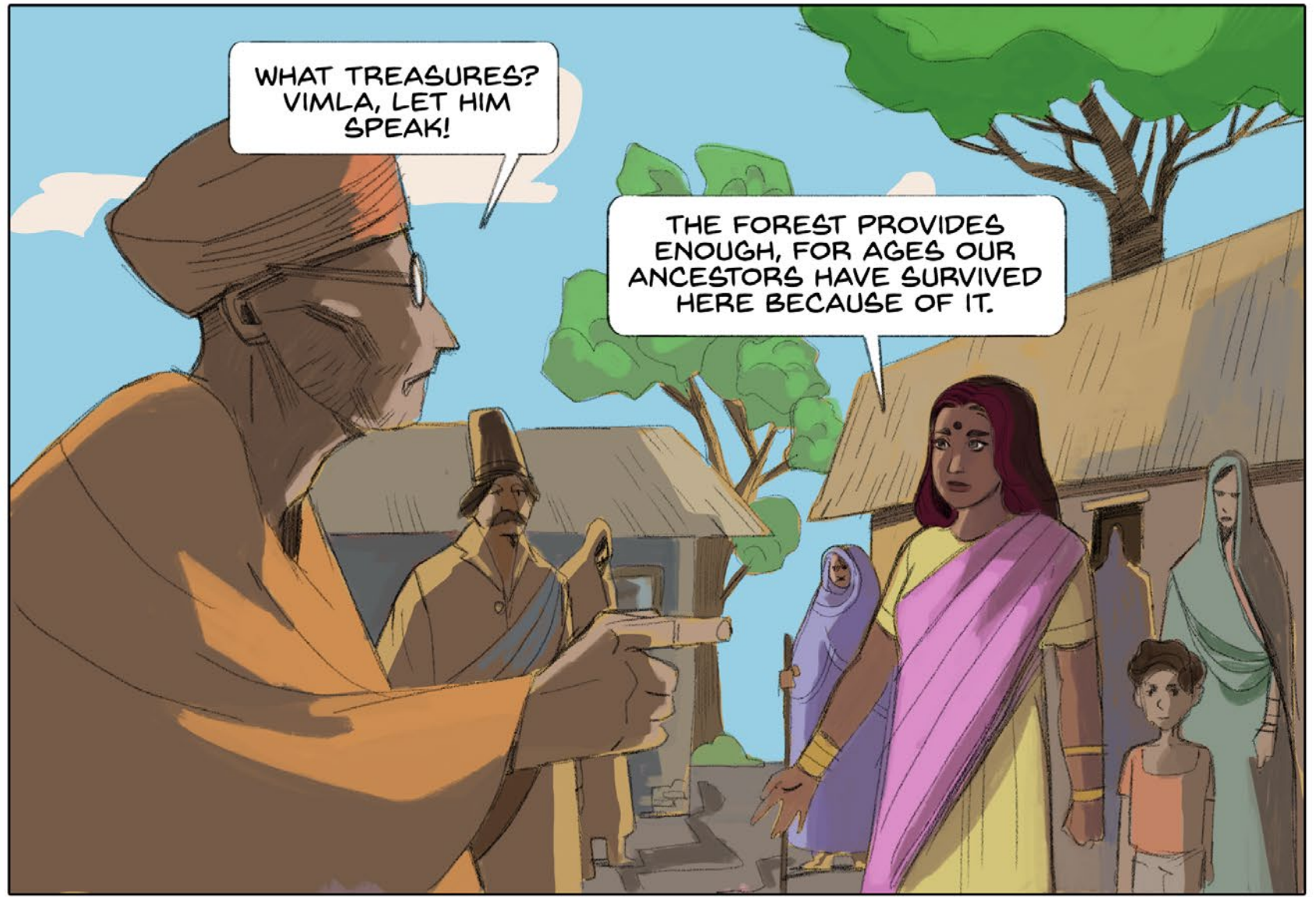


I AM HERE TO TURN THIS GREEN TO GOLD  
AND JEWELS LIKE YOU HAVE NOT SEEN  
BEFORE! JUST FOLLOW MY BEAT WILL  
YOU?! COME ON! DON'T YOU WANT  
PROGRESS? THE MUSIC OF PROGRESS!





THE MUSIC? THAT IS NOTHING BUT DISTURBING NOISE. WE ARE HAPPIER WITH OUR BIRD SONGS.



WHAT TREASURES? VIMLA, LET HIM SPEAK!

THE FOREST PROVIDES ENOUGH, FOR AGES OUR ANCESTORS HAVE SURVIVED HERE BECAUSE OF IT.



YOU FOOLS! YOU DON'T REALIZE THE TREASURE YOUR LAND CAN OFFER US.

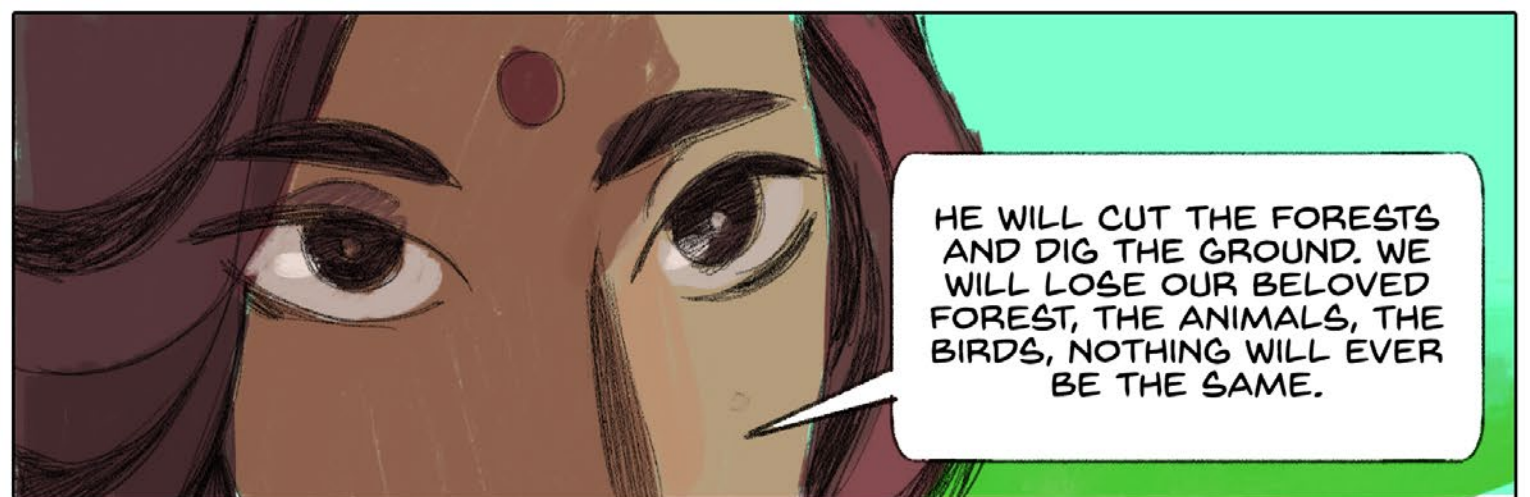
US? YOU MEAN THEM? YOU!

AH, THAT'S IT. YES, MANY THINGS FOR YOU!



UNDER THE LAND IS A TREASURE OF JEWELS AND GEMS THAT CAN BUY MANY THINGS YOU WISH TO HAVE.

BUT WE MUST DIG TO GET TO THEM! IF YOU HELP US YOU CAN HAVE THESE AND MUCH MORE.

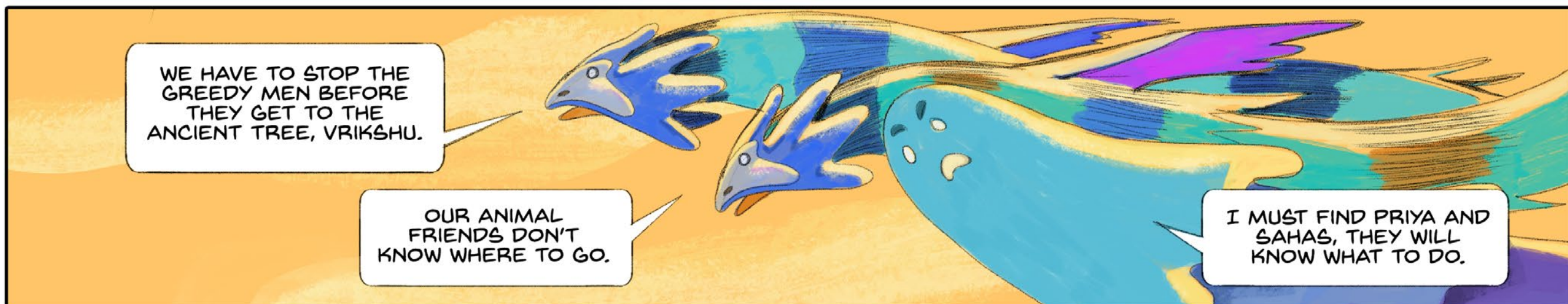


HE WILL CUT THE FORESTS AND DIG THE GROUND. WE WILL LOSE OUR BELOVED FOREST, THE ANIMALS, THE BIRDS, NOTHING WILL EVER BE THE SAME.





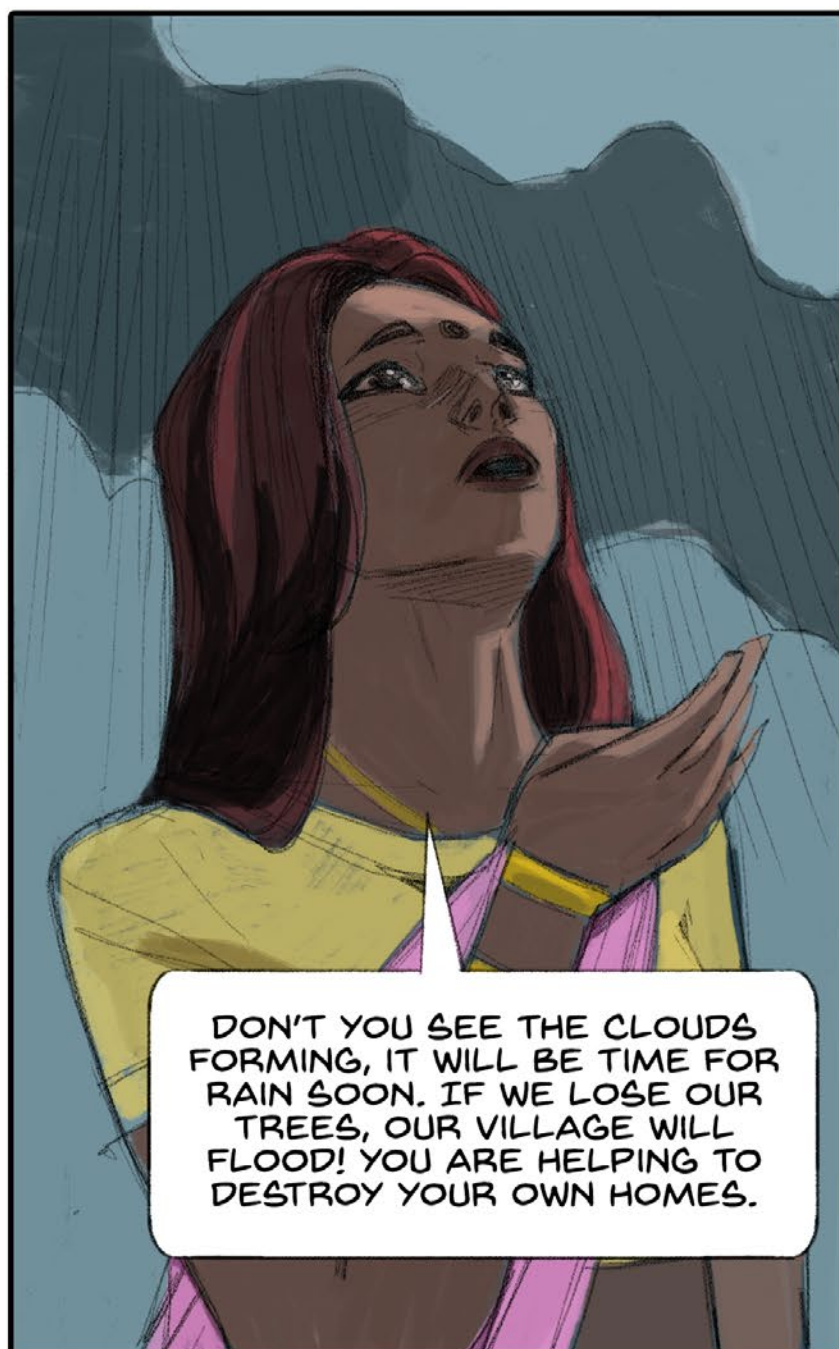
WE ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING OUR HOME, OUR FOREST IS BEING CUT DOWN.



WE HAVE TO STOP THE GREEDY MEN BEFORE THEY GET TO THE ANCIENT TREE, VRIKSHU.

OUR ANIMAL FRIENDS DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO.

I MUST FIND PRIYA AND SAHAS, THEY WILL KNOW WHAT TO DO.



DON'T YOU SEE THE CLOUDS FORMING, IT WILL BE TIME FOR RAIN SOON. IF WE LOSE OUR TREES, OUR VILLAGE WILL FLOOD! YOU ARE HELPING TO DESTROY YOUR OWN HOMES.



BUT BHAYAR WILL TAKE CARE OF US.

SOME OF US DON'T HAVE A CHOICE.

IF WE HELP HIM TODAY, WE TOO CAN HAVE THOSE JEWELS AND STONES.

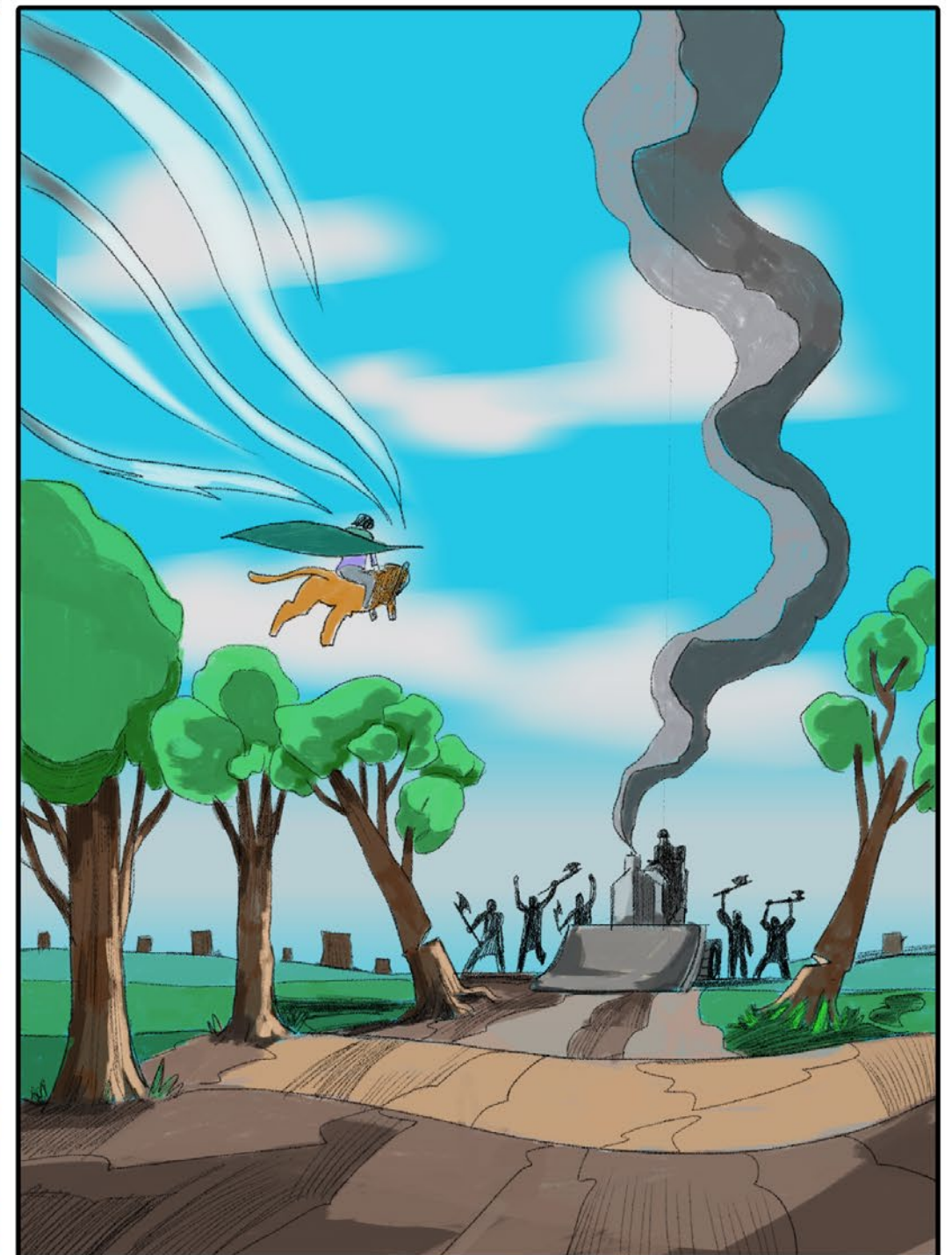




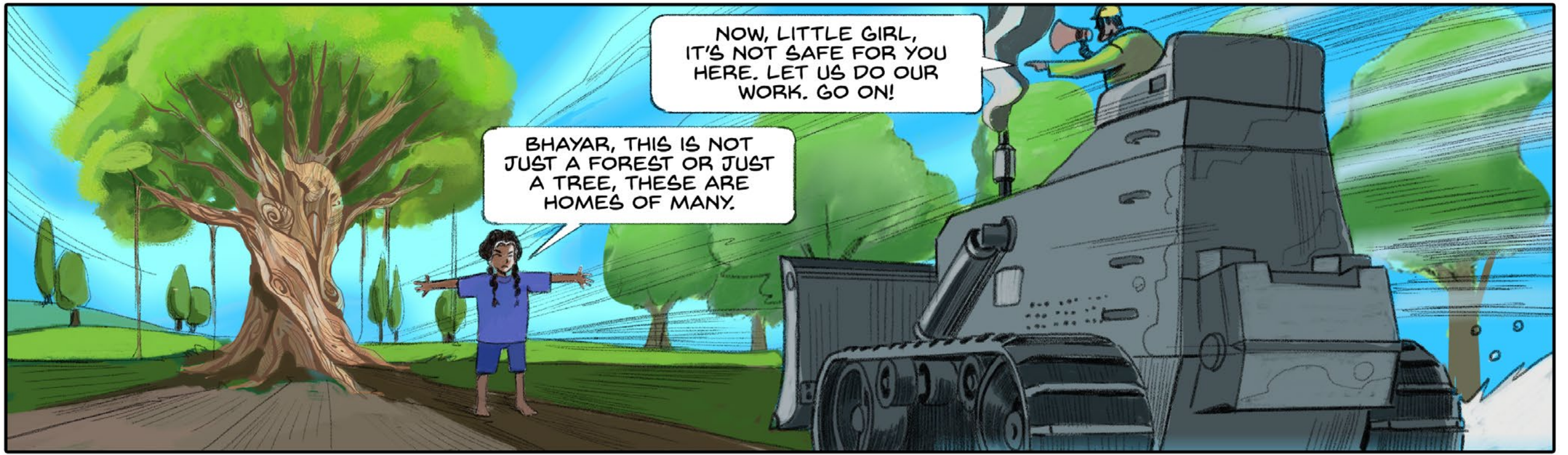










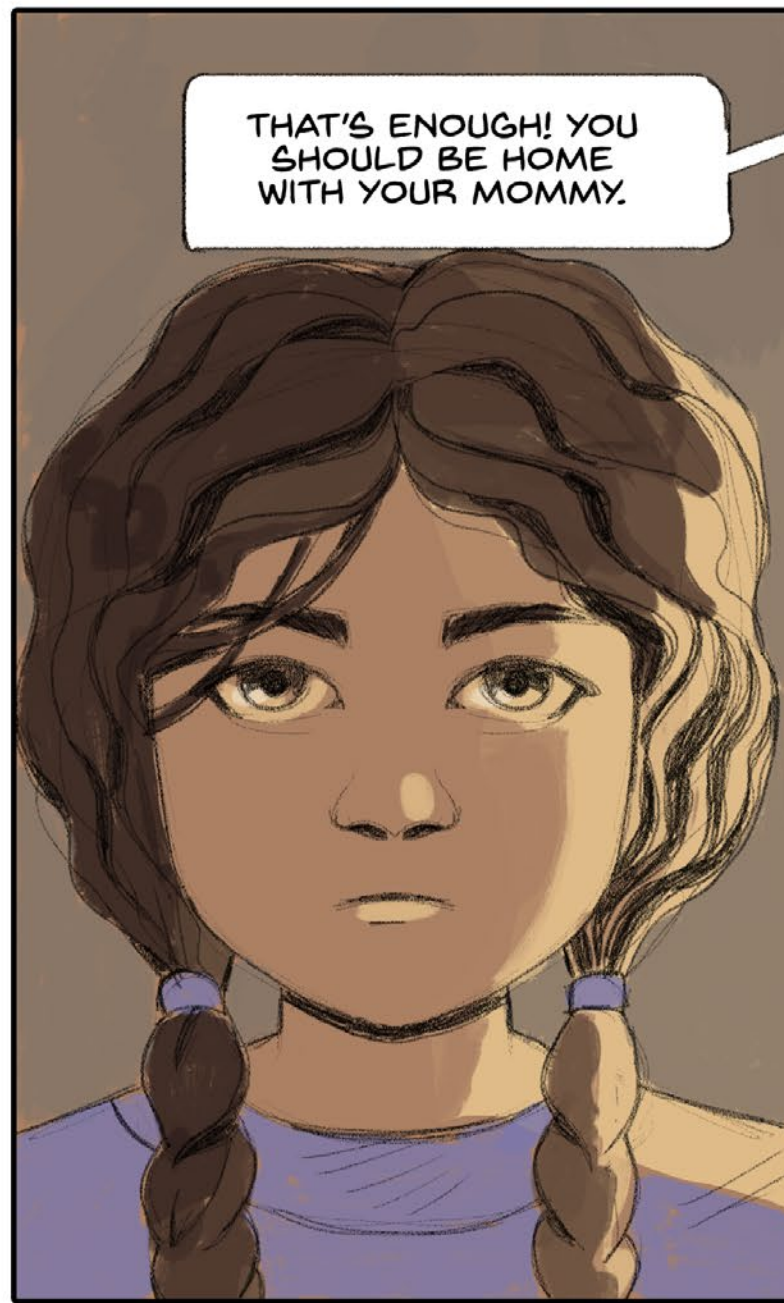


NOW, LITTLE GIRL,  
IT'S NOT SAFE FOR YOU  
HERE. LET US DO OUR  
WORK. GO ON!

BHAYAR, THIS IS NOT  
JUST A FOREST OR JUST  
A TREE, THESE ARE  
HOMES OF MANY.



WHO? I DON'T SEE  
ANYONE ELSE HERE.



THAT'S ENOUGH! YOU  
SHOULD BE HOME  
WITH YOUR MOMMY.



YOU CAN'T HARM  
VRIKSHU! YOU WILL  
HAVE TO GET PAST ME!



QUICK! WE HAVE  
TO FOLLOW HER!



