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"THE HAUNTED MANSION
OF THE HANGED MAN"



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A sign for a palm and tarot card reading booth. The sign is white with black text and is mounted on a wooden structure. The text on the sign reads: "PALM READING & TAROT CARD Reading For \$ 20".


PALM READING
& TAROT CARD Reading
For \$ 20

WE REALLY
DOING THIS,
OLIVIA?



A woman and a man are sitting at a table. The woman is on the left, wearing a headband and a white shirt. The man is on the right, wearing a white shirt. They are both looking at a person with long hair who is sitting at the table with their back to the camera. The woman is speaking.

COME ON,
JACK. IT'LL
BE FUN.



A close-up of a woman and a man. The woman is on the left, wearing a headband and a white shirt. The man is on the right, wearing a white shirt. They are both looking at the camera with concerned expressions.

DISNEYLAND IS
FUN. THIS IS
POKER WITHOUT
MONEY. OR FACE
CARDS. OR FUN.



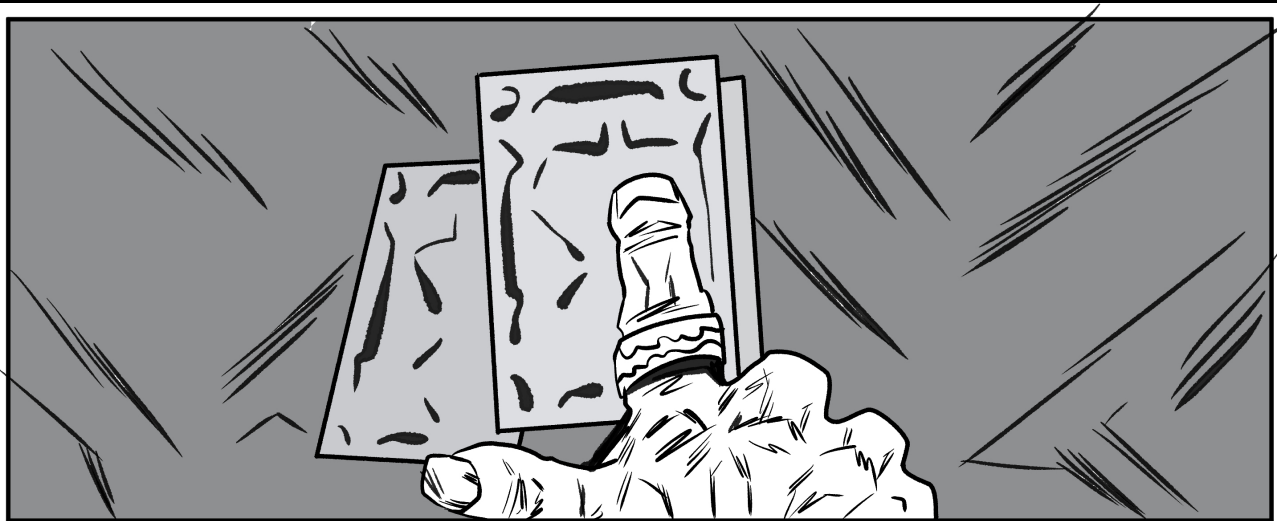
A close-up of a woman with a headband. She is looking down with a sad expression. There are some cards on the table in front of her.


ARE
YOU
READY?



A woman and a man are standing together. The woman is on the left, wearing a headband and a white shirt. The man is on the right, wearing a white shirt. They are both looking at the camera with concerned expressions.

YES. HE
IS. *GO.*





ALL THOSE CARDS
LOOK COOL EXCEPT
THE HANGED MAN
AND THE DEATH ONE.
WHAT'S IT ALL MEAN,
MS. FORTUNE TELLER?



WELL...



...FIRST, THERE
WILL BE
SACRIFICE.



THEN YOU
WILL HAVE
DIRECTION.



FROM
DIRECTION,
TRICKERY...



...ILLUSION...



...DISHARMONY.

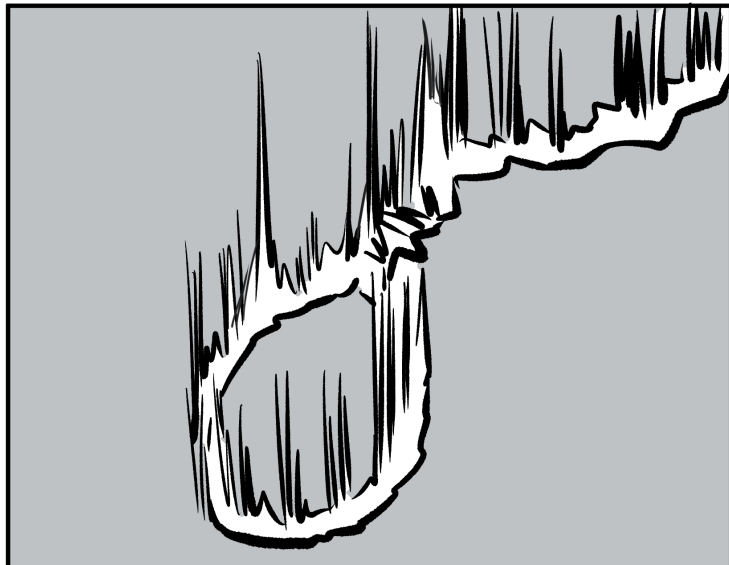


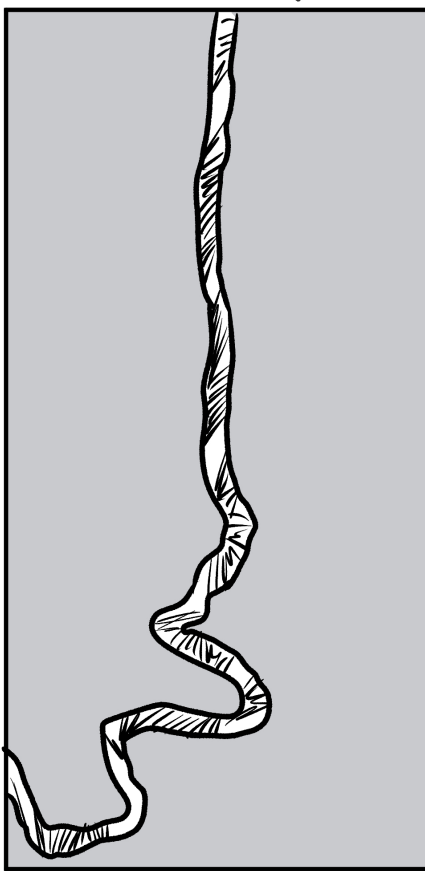
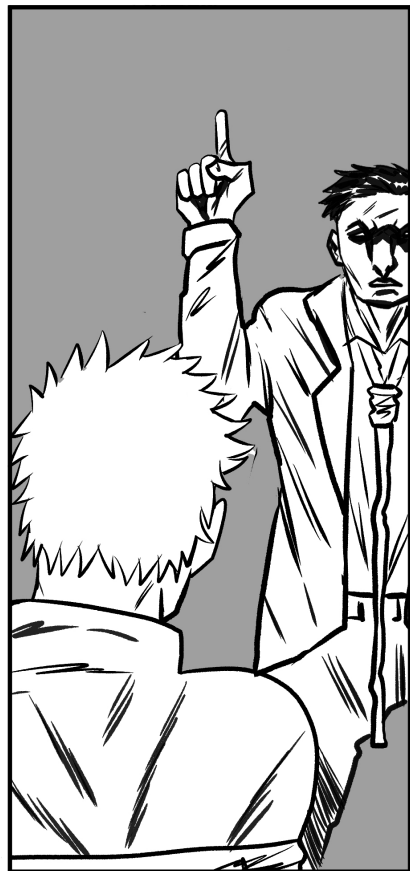
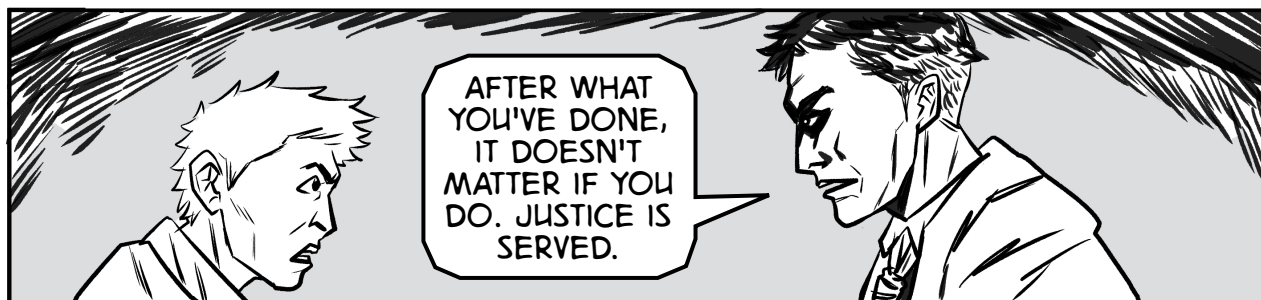
THEN, A NEW
BEGINNING...



...ENDING THE
FIRST CYCLE OF
YOUR LIFE.



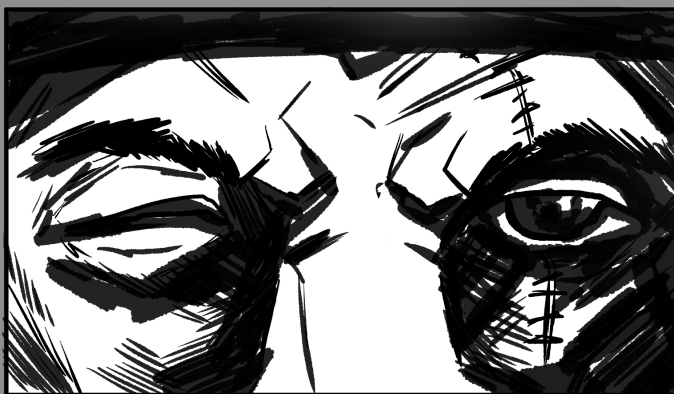




Without sacrifice,
there is no context.



Without context,
true meaning is lost.

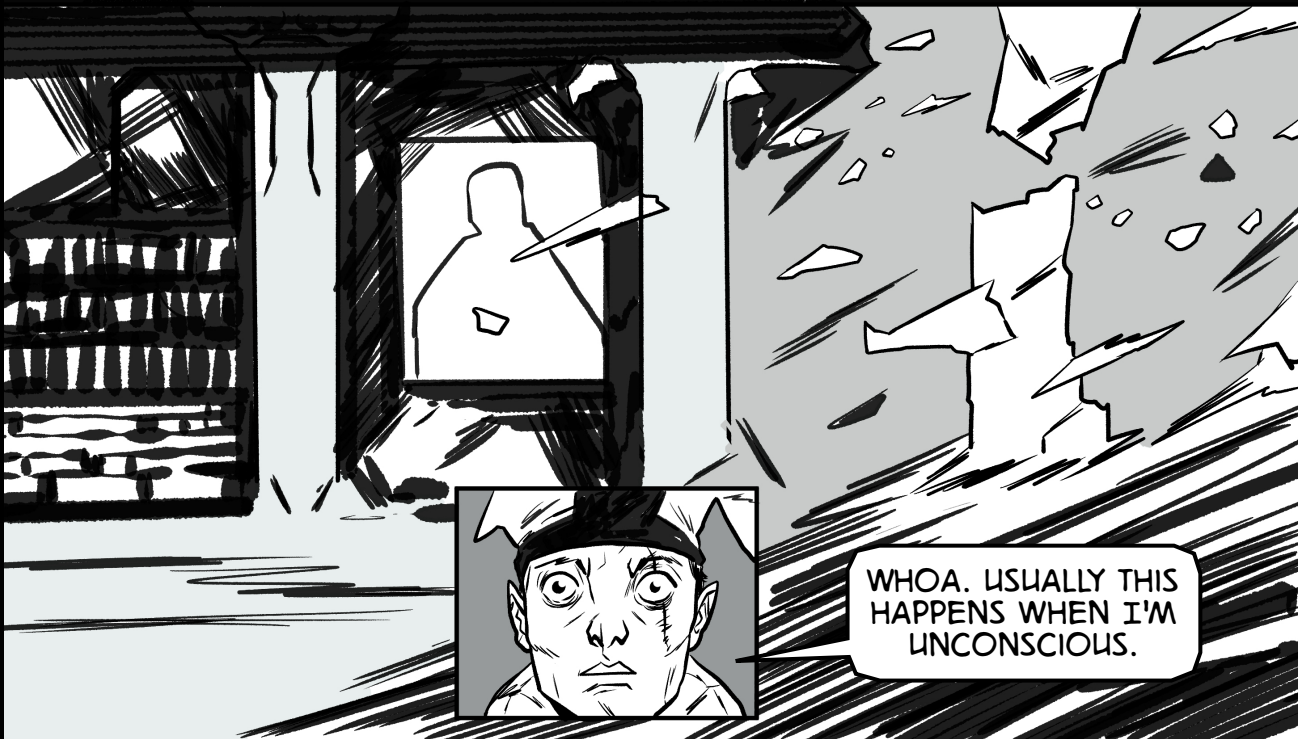


NOW.

I GUESS YOU
WERE RIGHT, JACK.

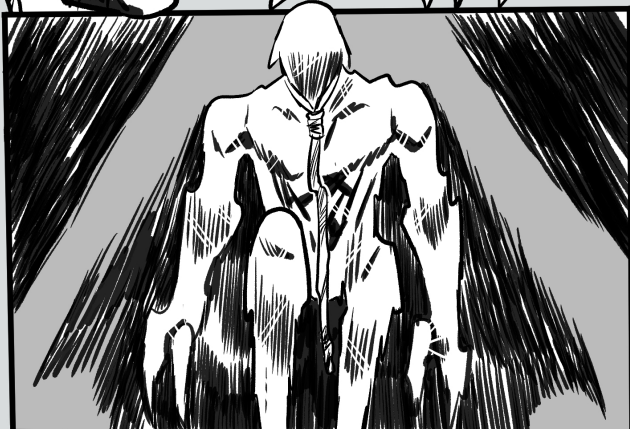
WAS I?

YOU SAID YOU'D
COME BACK FOR
ME. I DIDN'T KNOW
YOU'D COME BACK
THROUGH THE SAME
WAY I WAS ABLE TO
FIND MY TRUE SELF.
MY TRUE POWER.

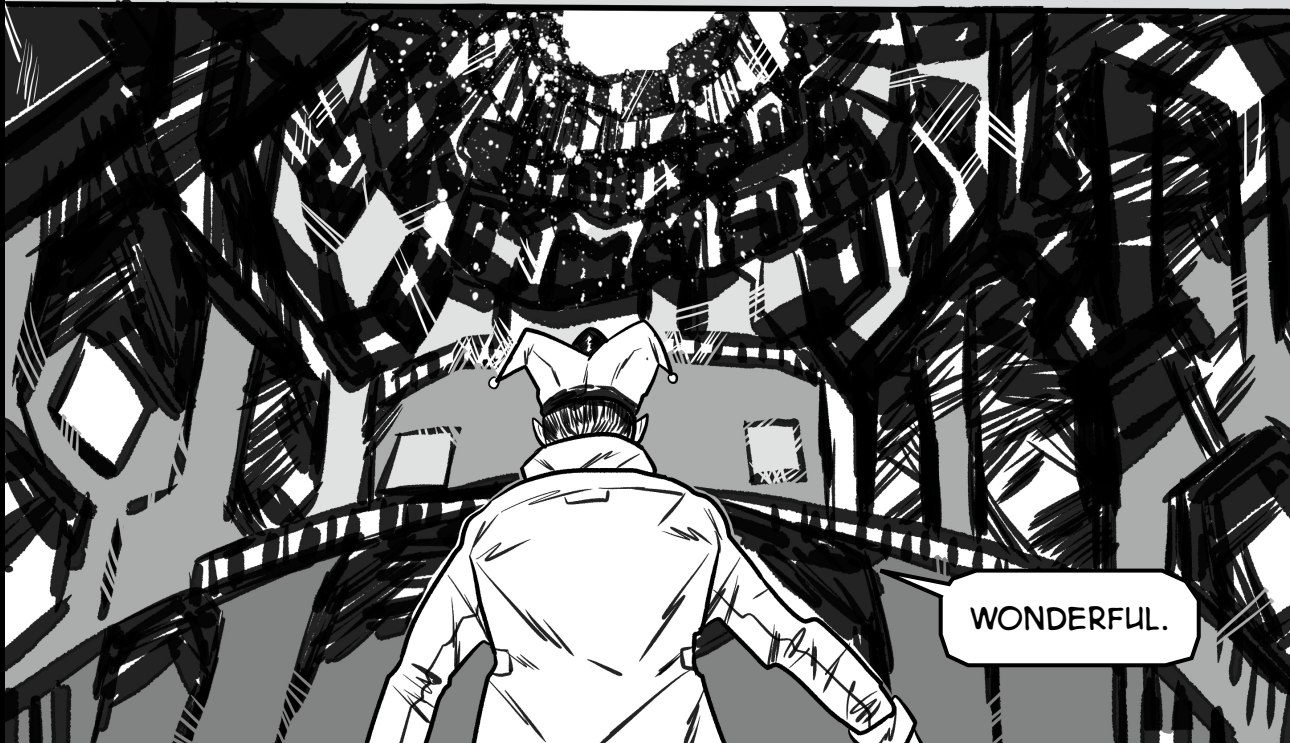


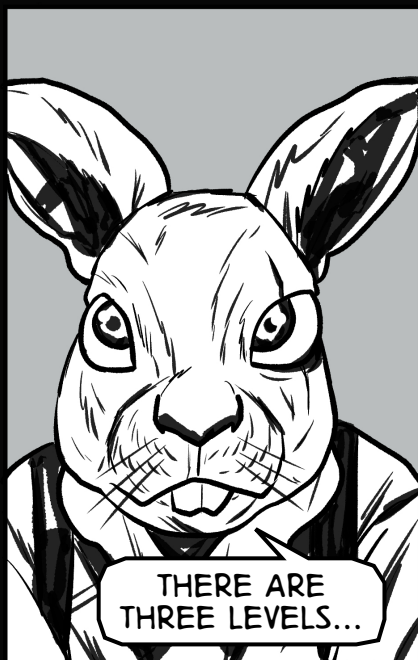


I'LL BE
WAITING,
JACK.



WONDERFUL.





THERE ARE
THREE LEVELS...



...BEFORE
GETTING
TO THE
HANGED
MAN.

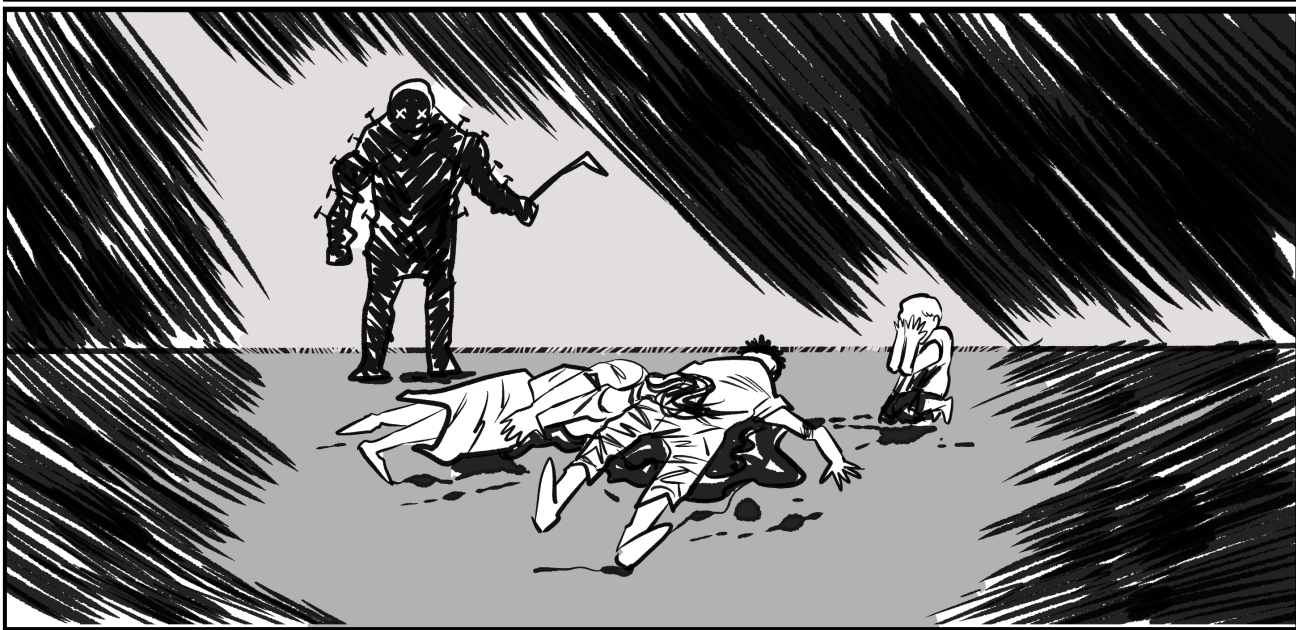
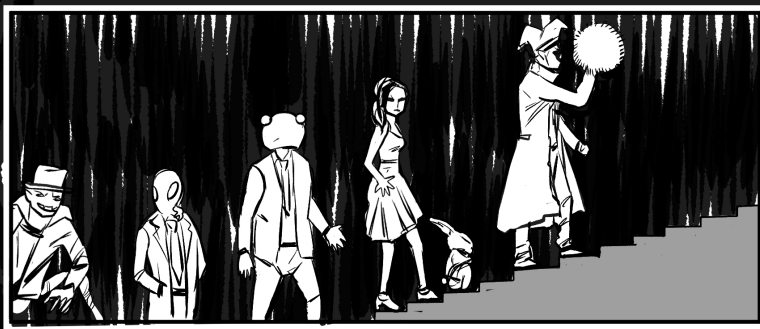


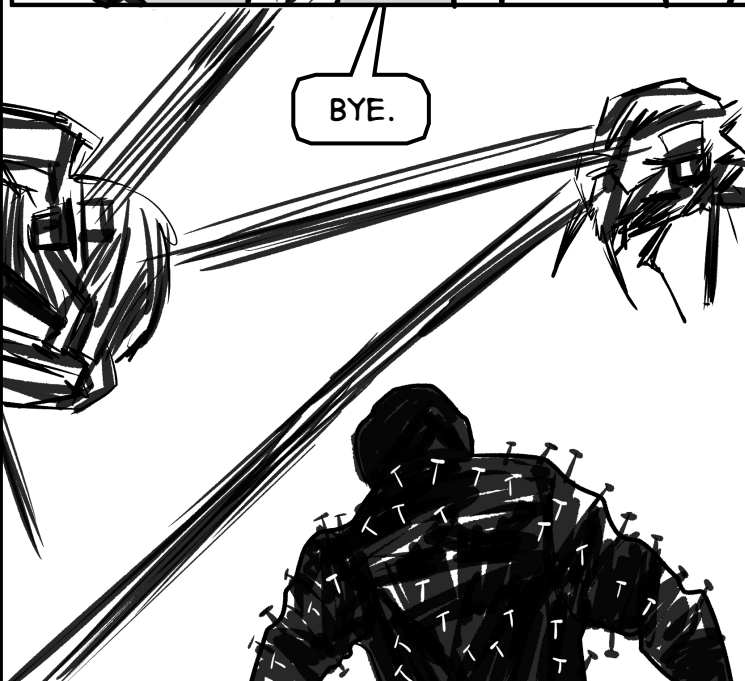
HOW DO YOU
KNOW, STANLEY?

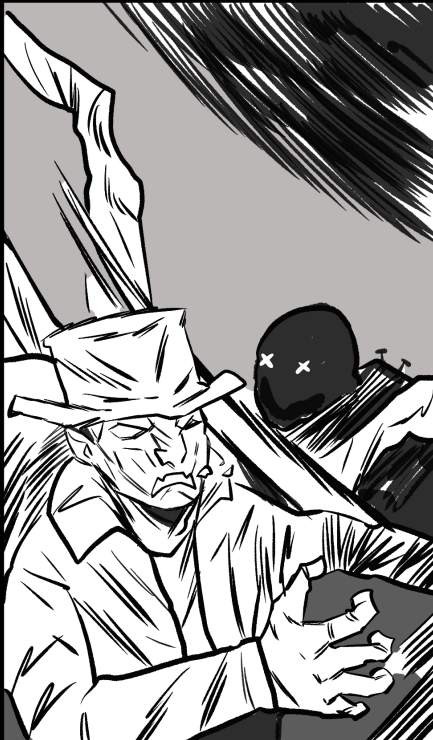
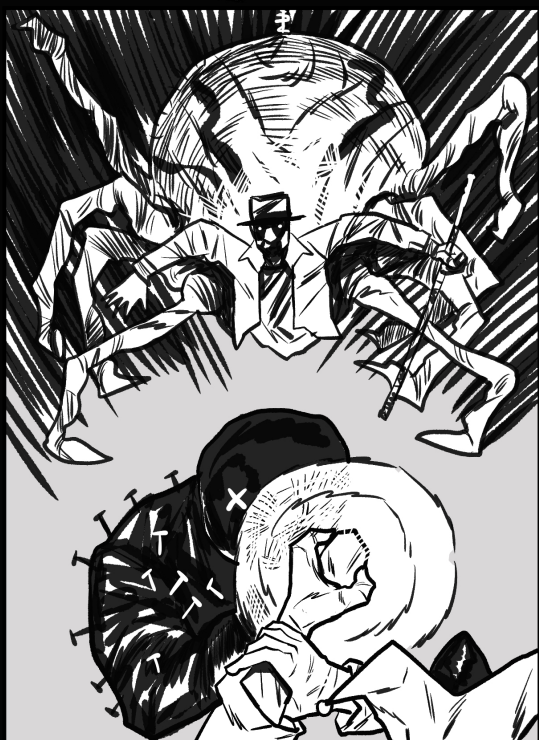
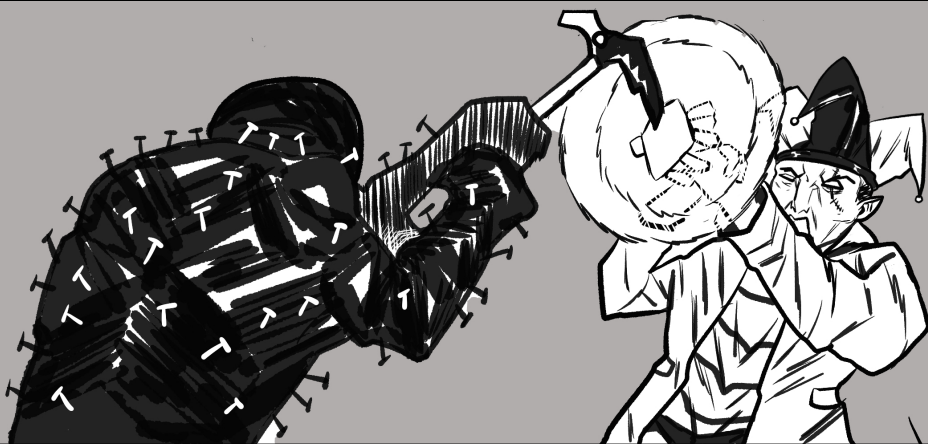
I CAN
FEEL IT,
MADISON.



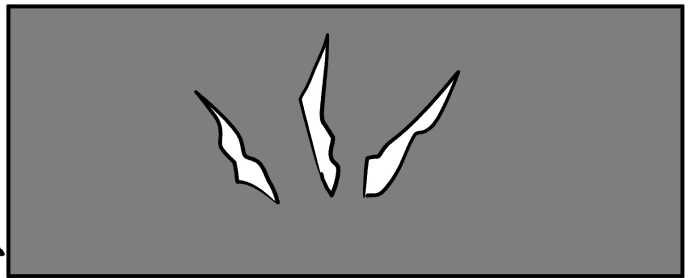
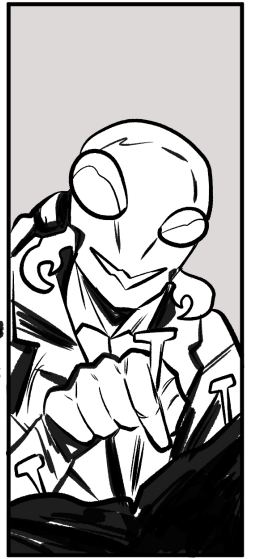
LET'S NOT KEEP
THE HANGED MAN
WAITING, THEN.

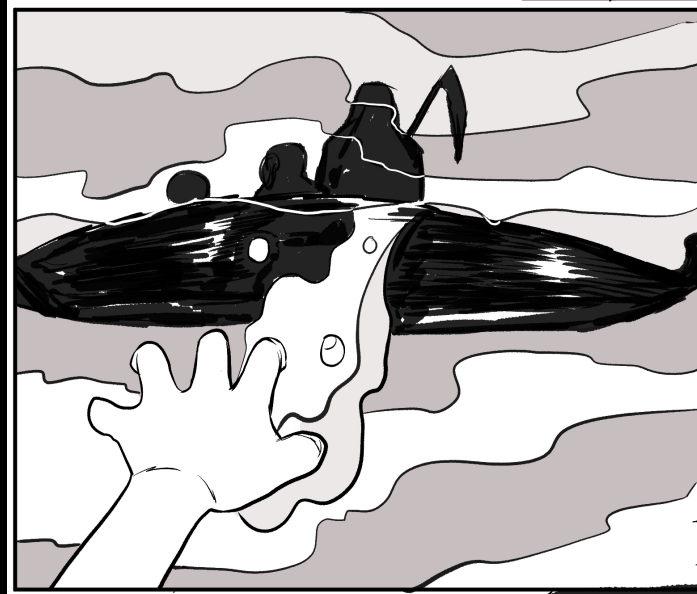
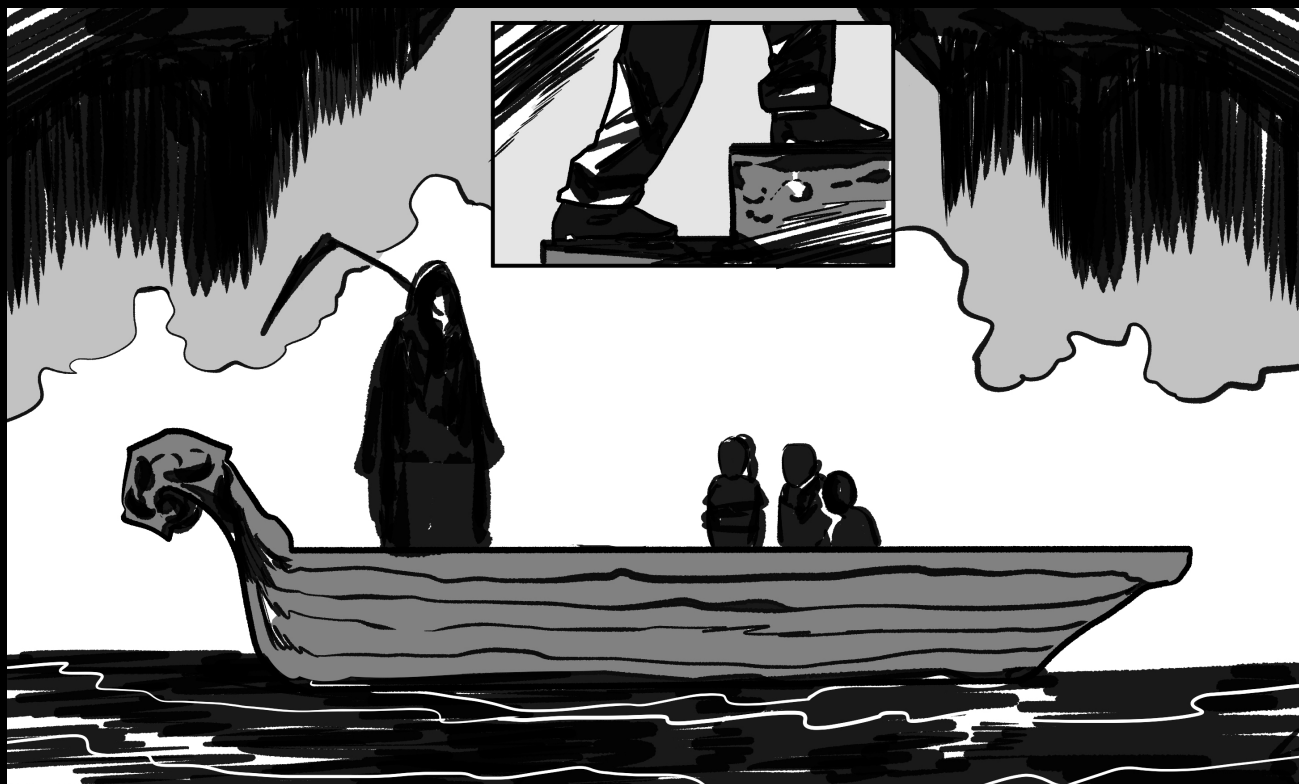




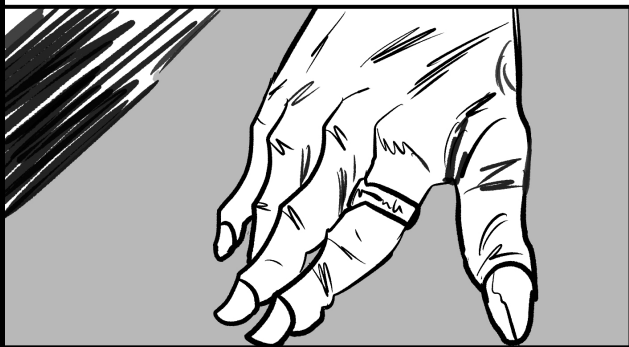
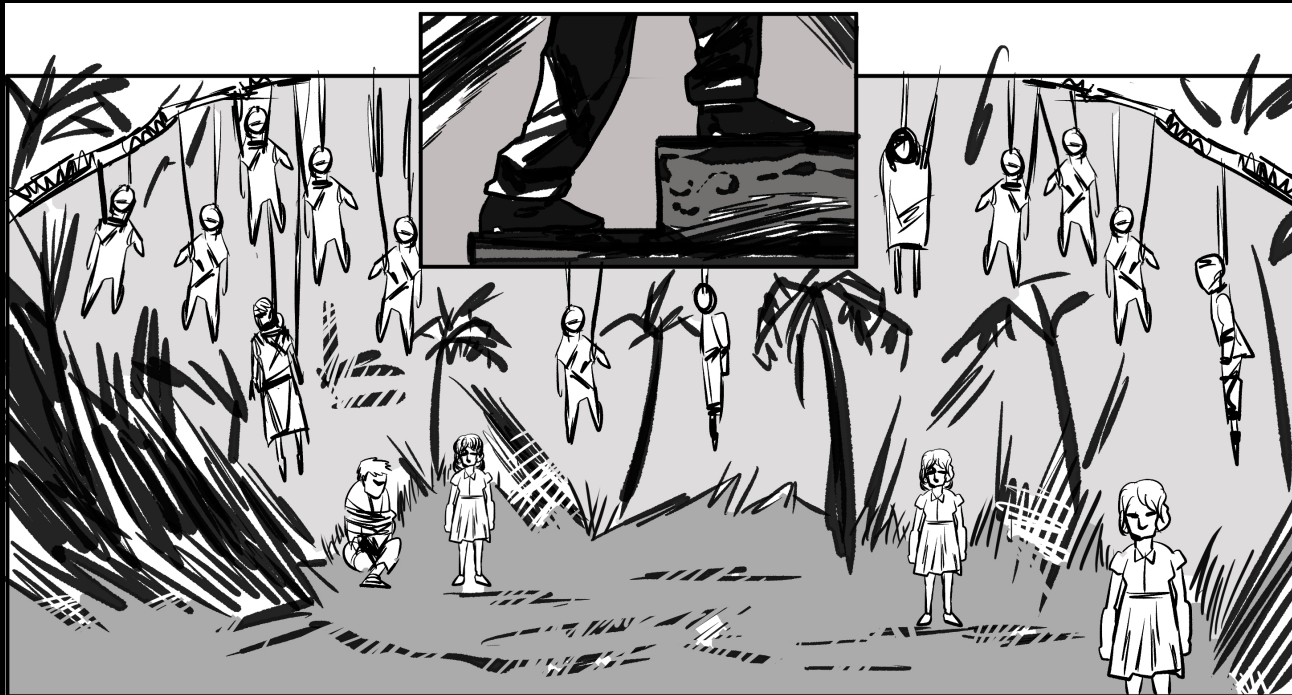


EVERYONE! PULL
OUT THE PINS
WHILE I KEEP
HIM BUSY.

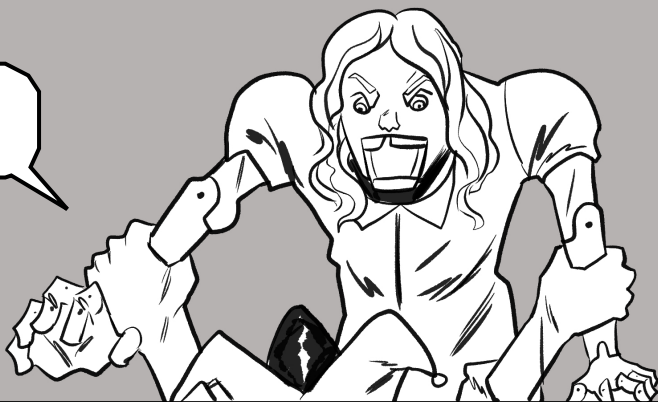








A LITTLE
HELP?



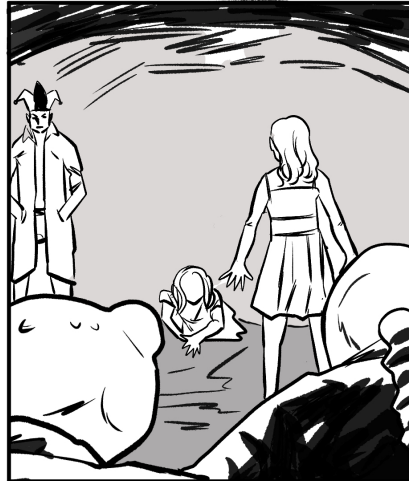
ARE WE
TWINS?

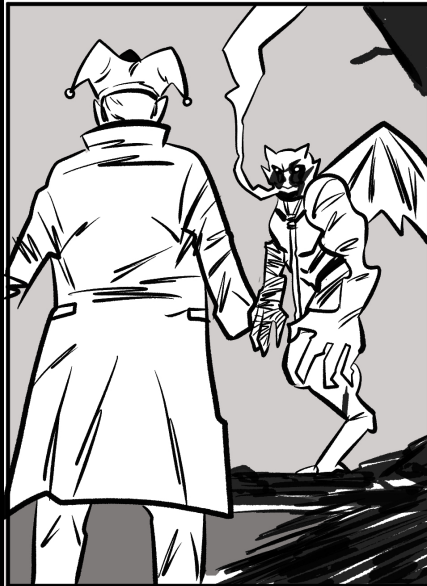
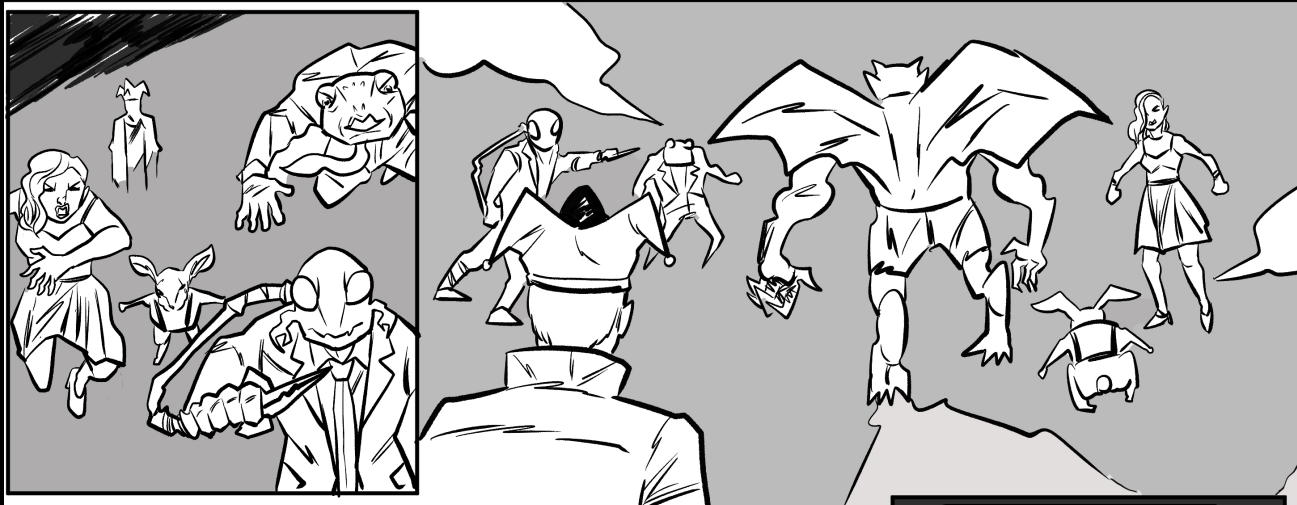
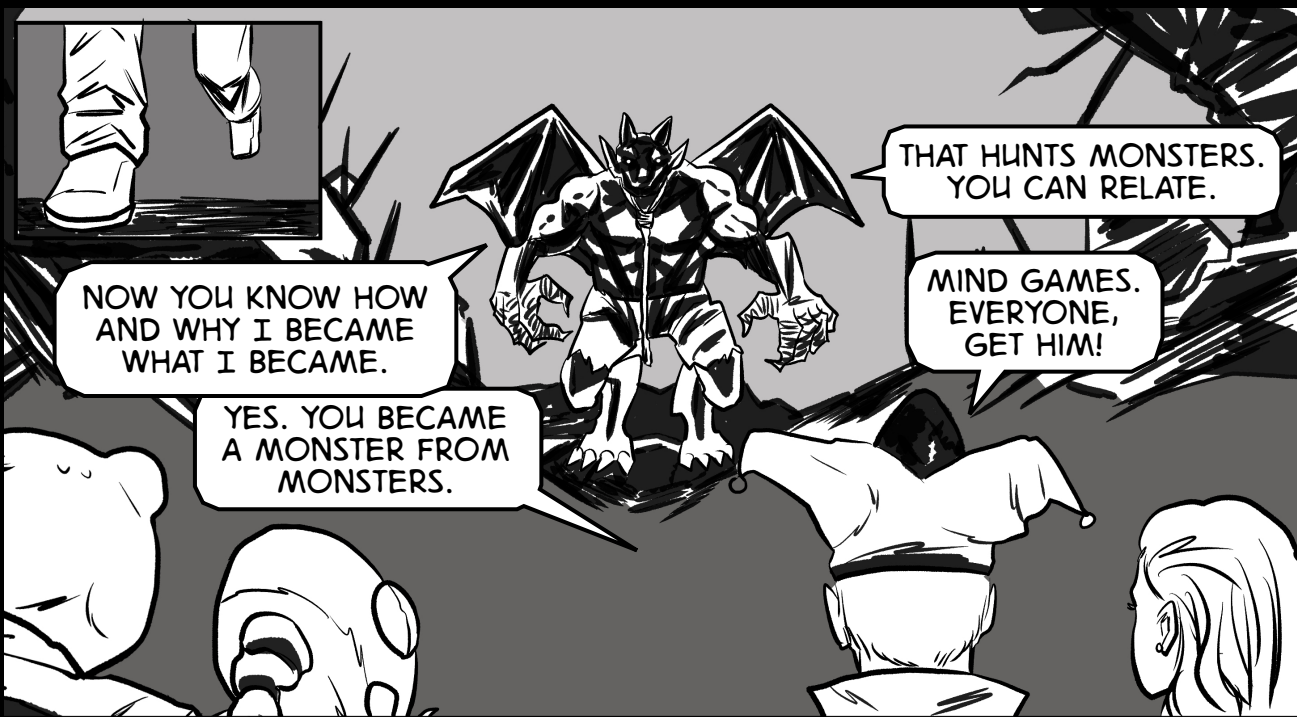


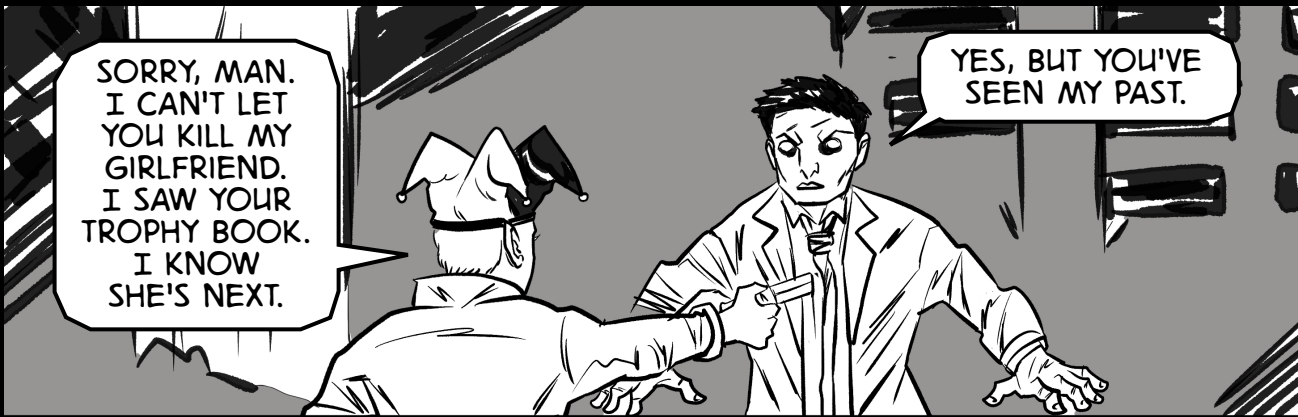
GIVE ME
THE ROPE.



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SORRY, MAN.
I CAN'T LET
YOU KILL MY
GIRLFRIEND.
I SAW YOUR
TROPHY BOOK.
I KNOW
SHE'S NEXT.

YES, BUT YOU'VE
SEEN MY PAST.



EVERYONE I
EVER LOVED
WAS KILLED
BY SERIAL
KILLERS.

I'M SORRY.
STILL--



SO I'VE MADE IT
MY LIFE'S MISSION
TO KILL SERIAL KILLERS.

WHAT? I--



YOU'RE ALL
SERIAL KILLERS.



BUT I'M NOT A
SERIAL KILLER!

I MADE A MISTAKE. ALL
SIGNS POINTED TO YOU, BUT I
GOT THE WRONG PERSON.



IF I'M THE
WRONG ONE,
WHO'S THE
RIGHT ONE?

