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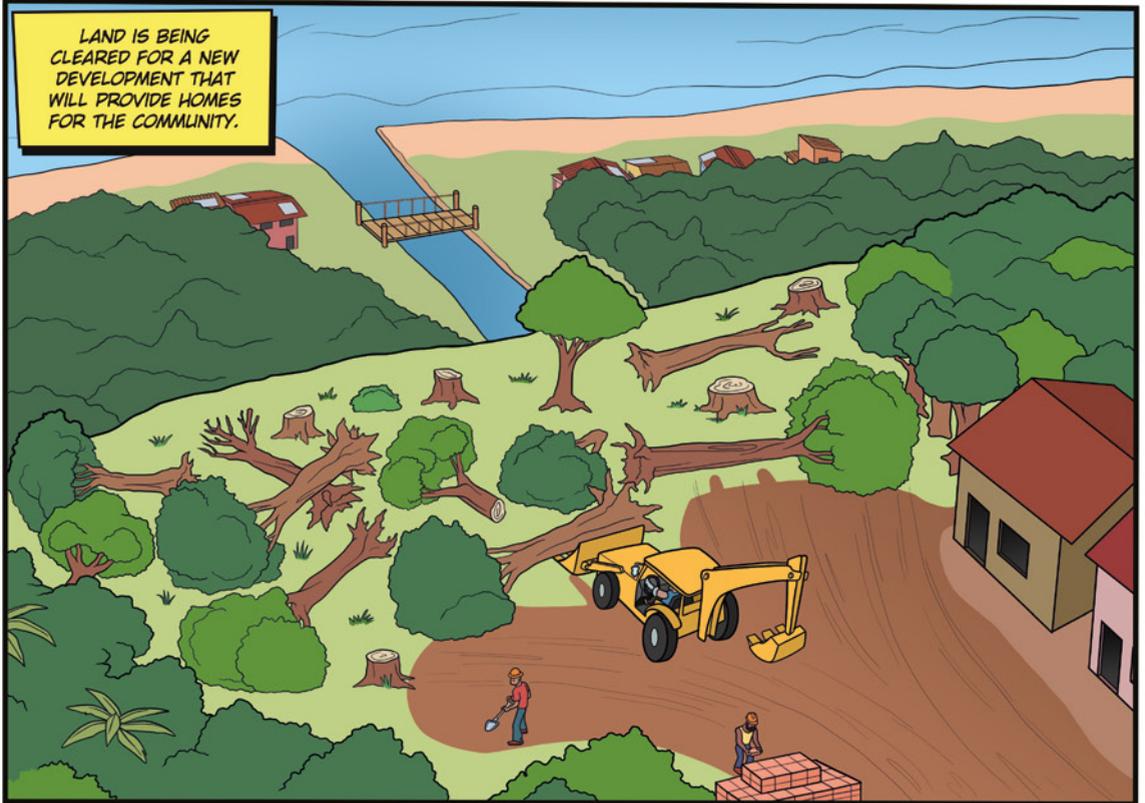
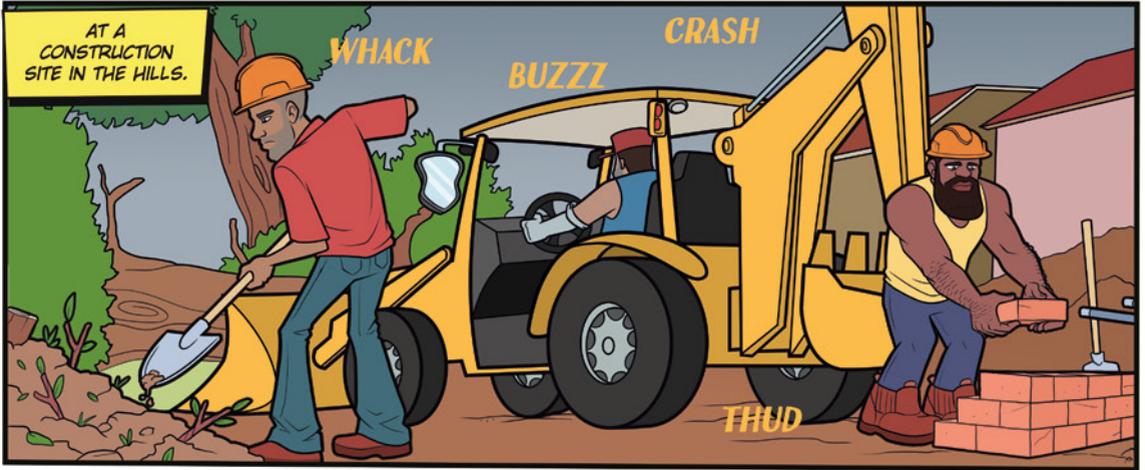
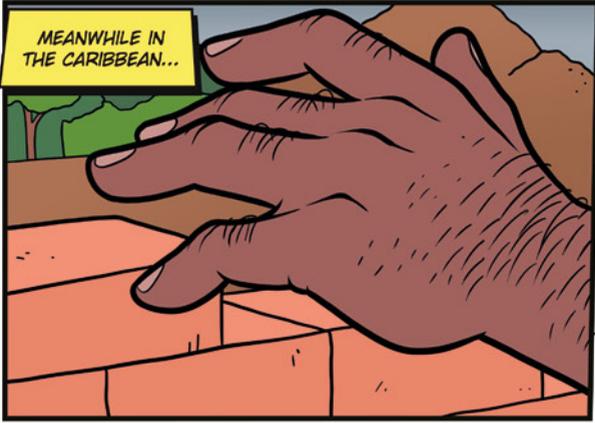
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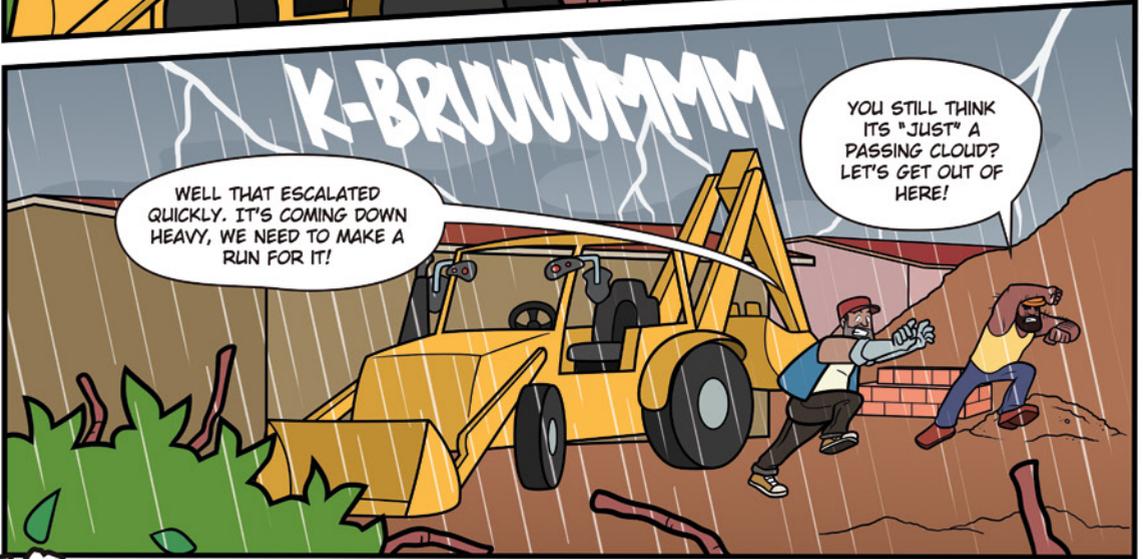
HEY MAN, IT LOOKS LIKE THE WEATHER IS CHANGING.

HOW MUCH LONGER DO YOU THINK WE HAVE HERE?

WE BETTER CALL IT A DAY SO THAT WE CAN DODGE THE RAIN.

WE STILL HAVE ALL THESE TREES TO CLEAR AWAY. YOU WORRY TOO MUCH, IT'S JUST A PASSING CLOUD!

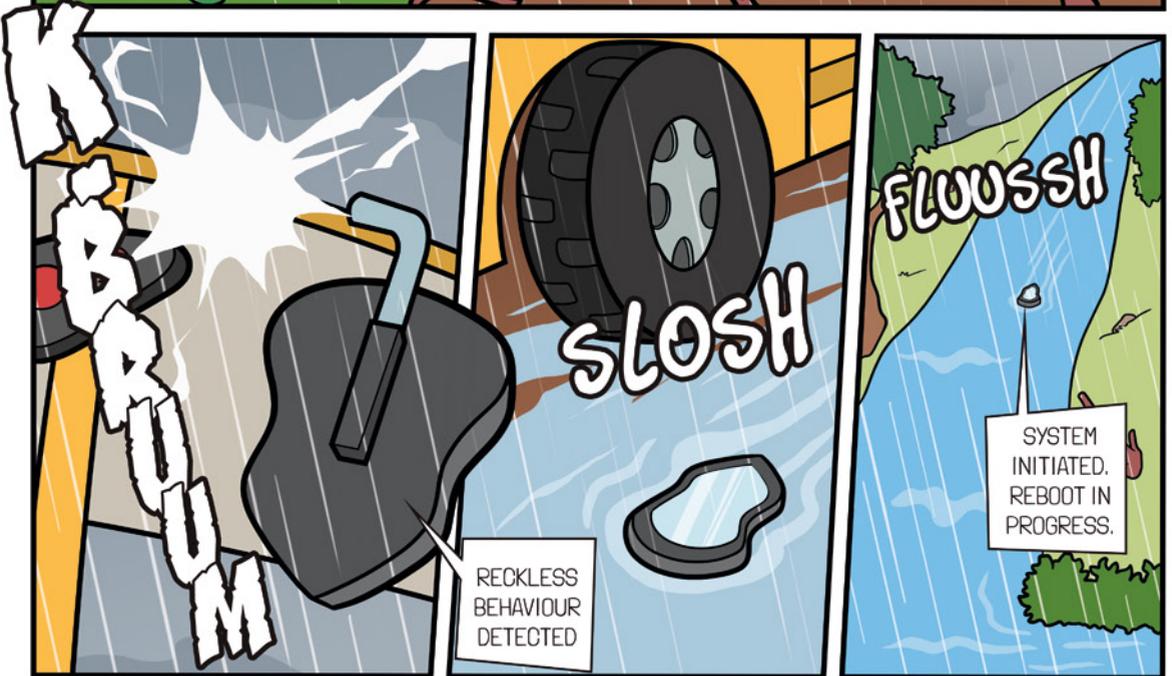
VRUUUUM  
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WELL THAT ESCALATED QUICKLY. IT'S COMING DOWN HEAVY, WE NEED TO MAKE A RUN FOR IT!

YOU STILL THINK IT'S "JUST" A PASSING CLOUD? LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

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K-BRUUUM

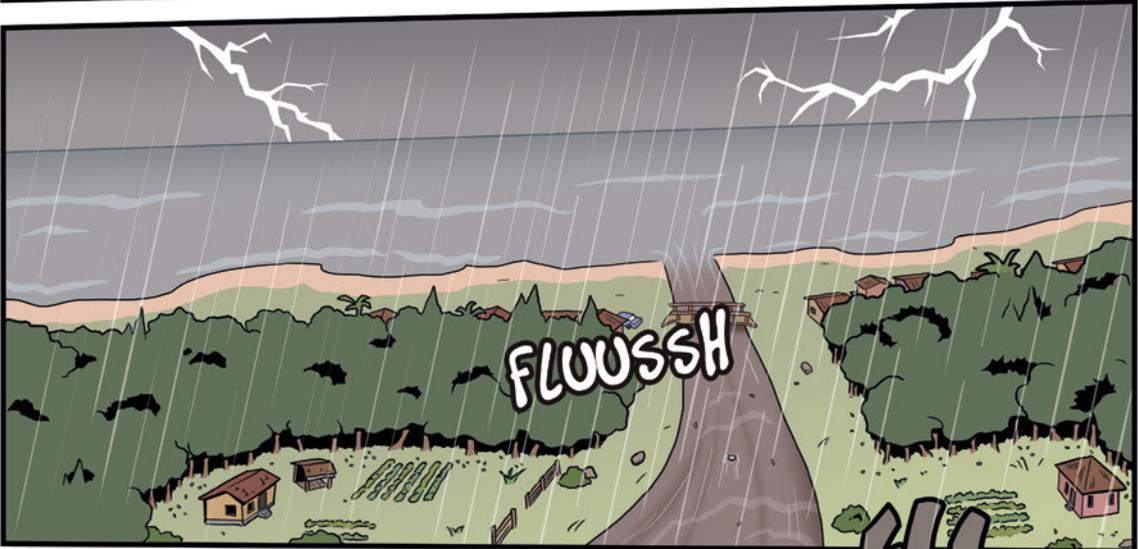
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RECKLESS BEHAVIOUR DETECTED

SYSTEM INITIATED. REBOOT IN PROGRESS.





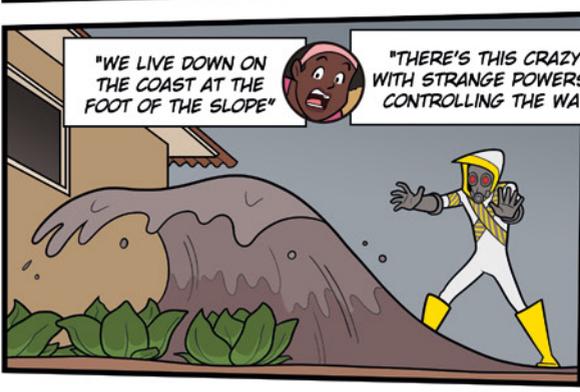


DOWN ON THE COAST

TIME TO TAKE THESE FARMS DOWN TO ZERO!

DUN DA DA DUN!

"HELLO, AGRIMAN S.O.S., WE NEED YOUR HELP!"



"WE LIVE DOWN ON THE COAST AT THE FOOT OF THE SLOPE"

"THERE'S THIS CRAZY GUY WITH STRANGE POWERS, HE'S CONTROLLING THE WATER!"

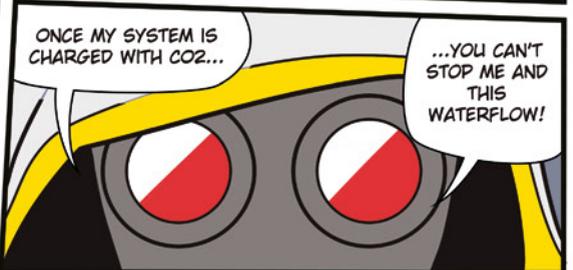


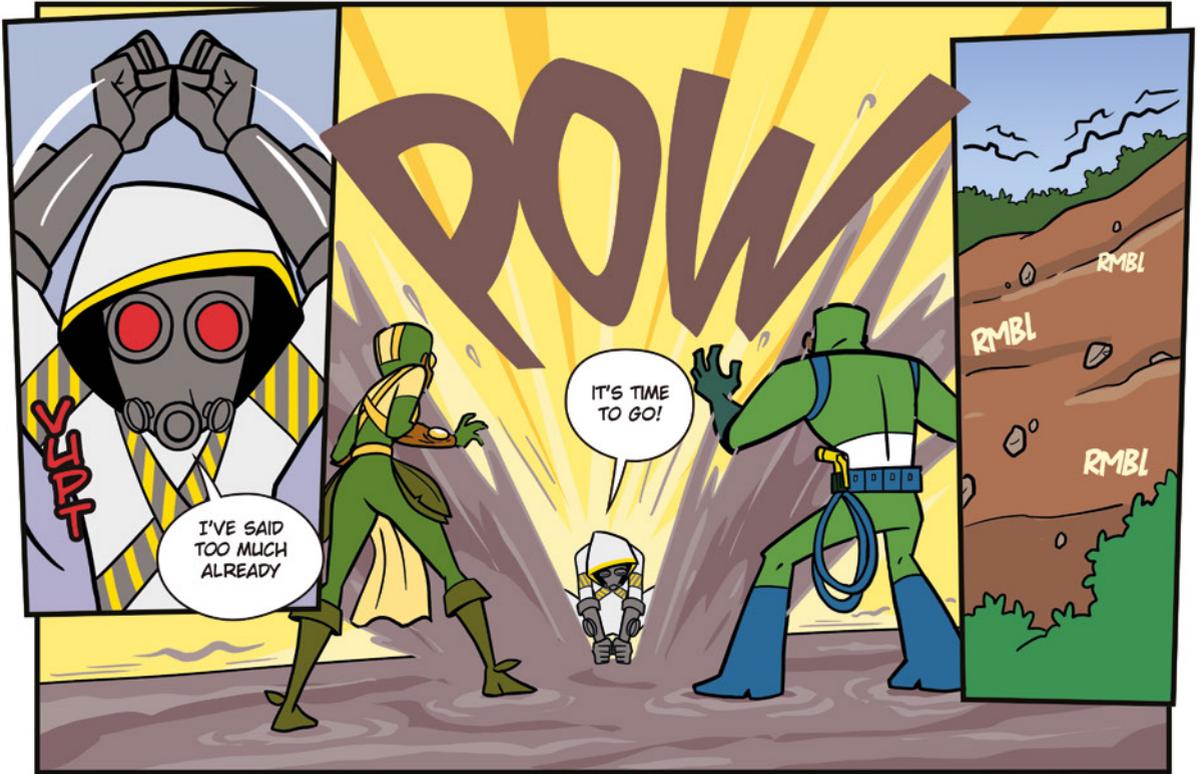
"THE WATER IS THICK AND BROWN, IT LOOKS LIKE IT IS FILLED WITH... SOIL!"



"I SEE! SEEK SHELTER IN A SAFE PLACE AND TRY TO STAY CALM..."







MOMENTS LATER.

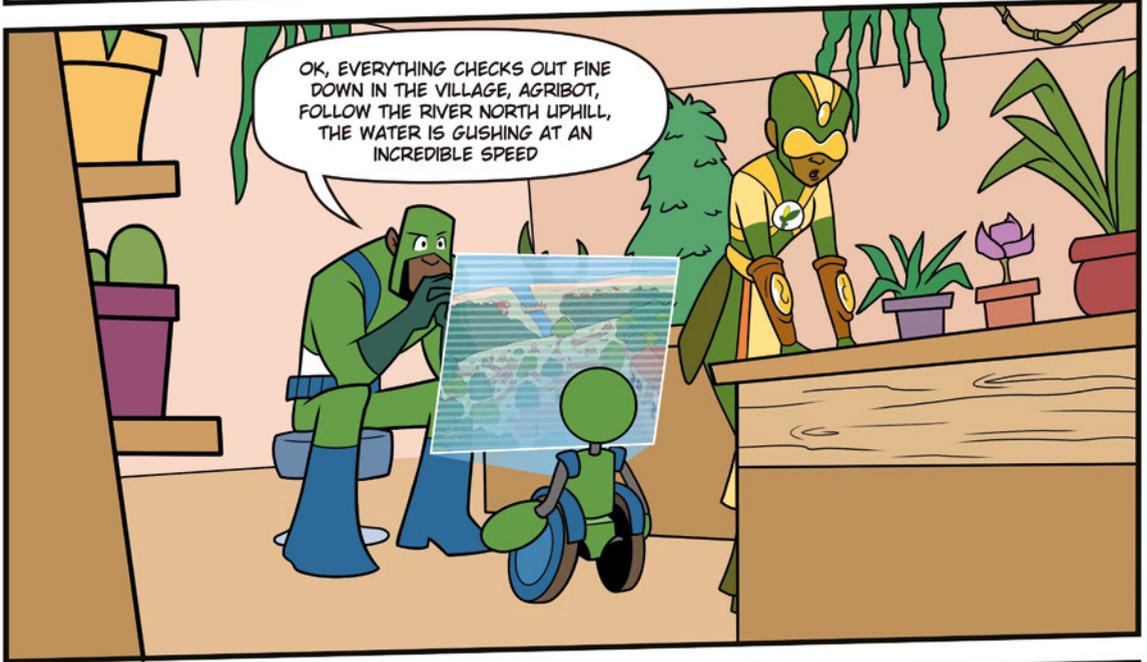
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THERE HASN'T BEEN ANY UNUSUAL ACTIVITY DOWN AT THE VILLAGE ON THE COAST.

WE NEED TO SURVEY THE AREA, AGRIBOT DEPLOY YOUR DRONE. LET'S SEE IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE UNUSUAL THAT MIGHT BE AFFECTING THEM.

OK, EVERYTHING CHECKS OUT FINE DOWN IN THE VILLAGE, AGRIBOT, FOLLOW THE RIVER NORTH UPHILL, THE WATER IS GUSHING AT AN INCREDIBLE SPEED

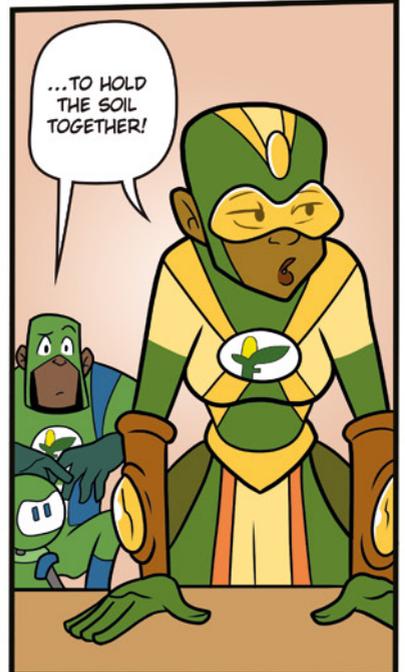


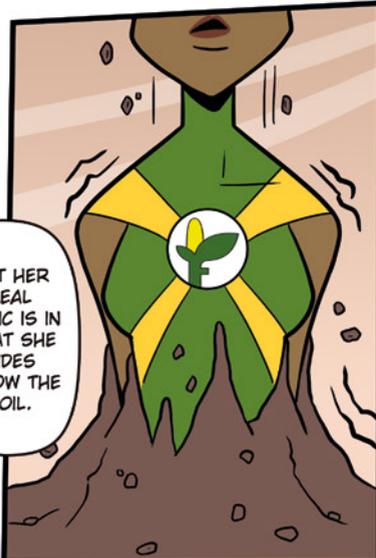
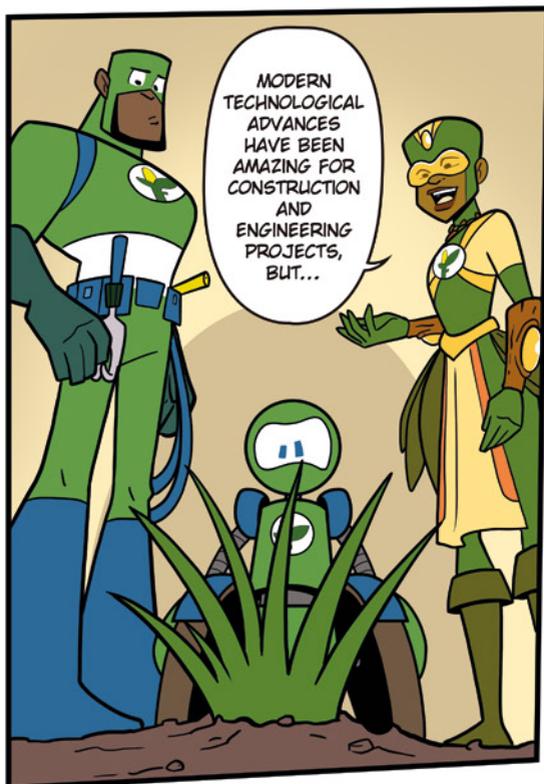
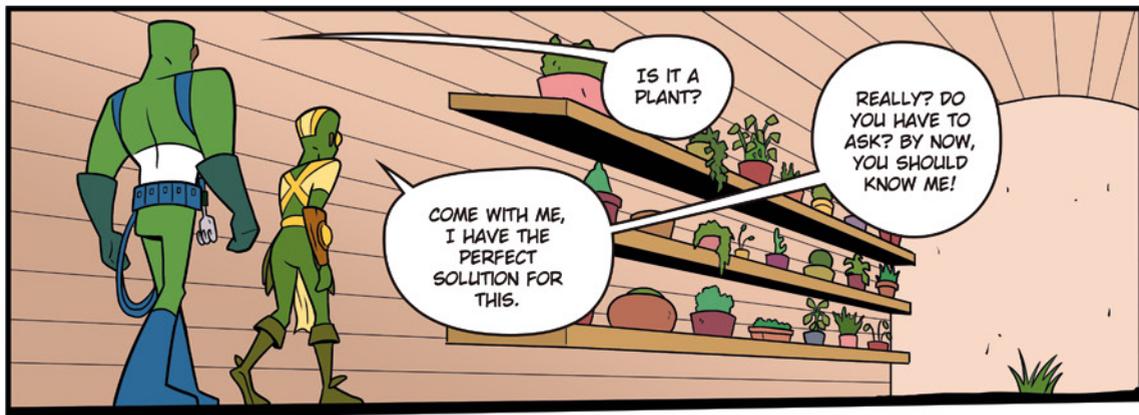
WHAT HAVE WE HERE!? THERE'S A CONSTRUCTION SITE UP IN THE HILLS.

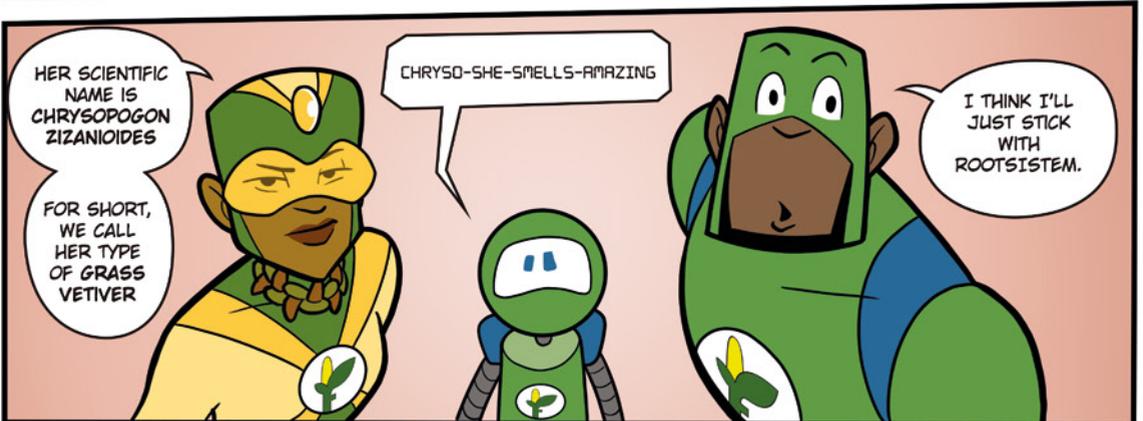
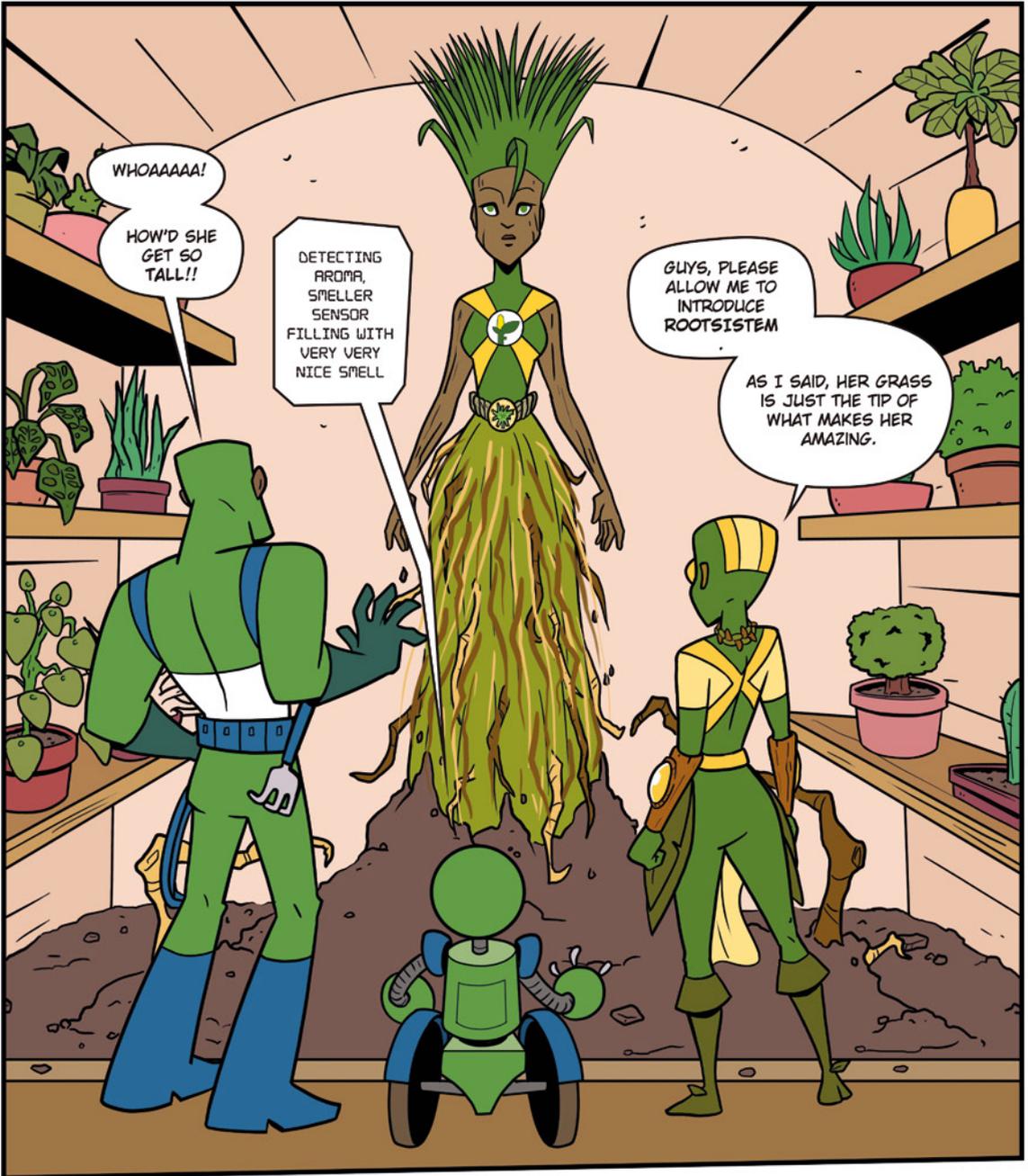
THEY'RE CUTTING DOWN THE TREES AND EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH.

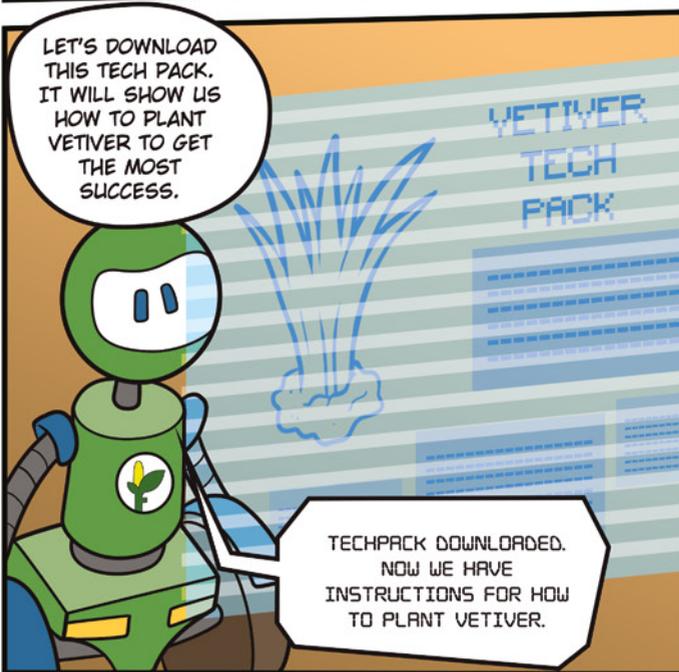
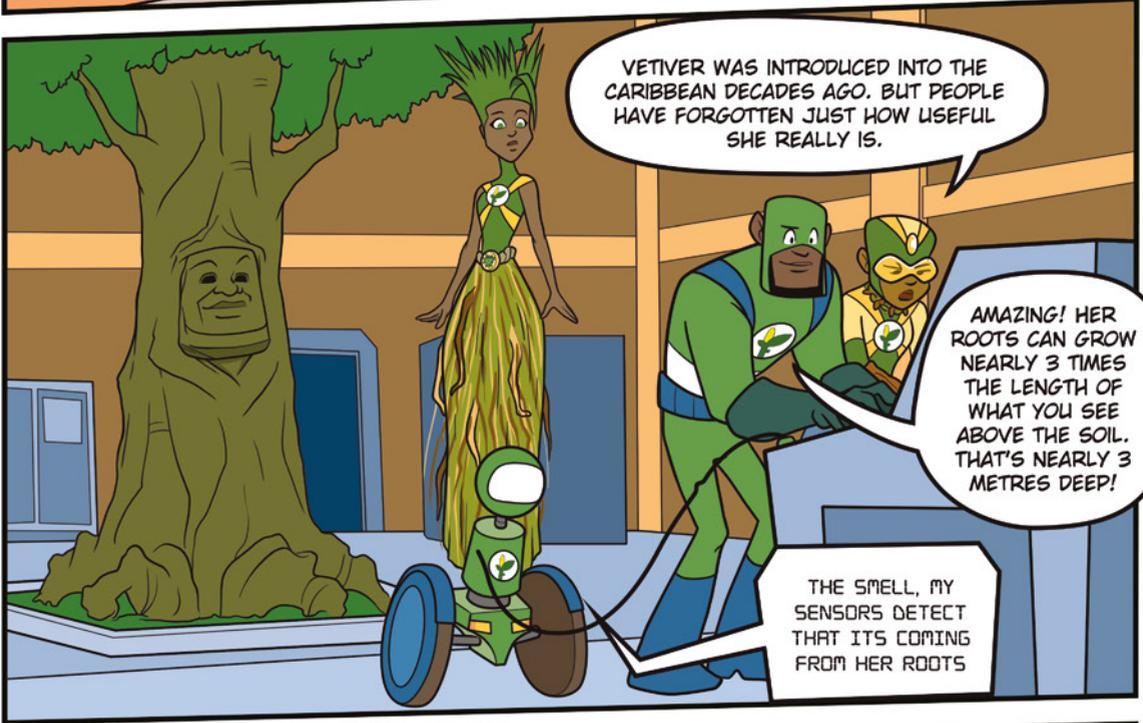
DON'T THEY REALISE THEY'RE LEAVING NOTHING BEHIND..

...TO HOLD THE SOIL TOGETHER!











IT IS I, AGRIVERSE AND I HAVE A SPECIAL SNACK FOR YOU.

THIS IS CARILEE.



SOME PEOPLE DON'T LIKE IT, BUT THE \*BITTER\* TRUTH IS THAT IT IS FULL OF ANTIOXIDANTS AND IT WILL HELP TO BUILD UP YOUR IMMUNITY FOR WHEN YOU FACE THOSE POLLUTED FLOODWATERS

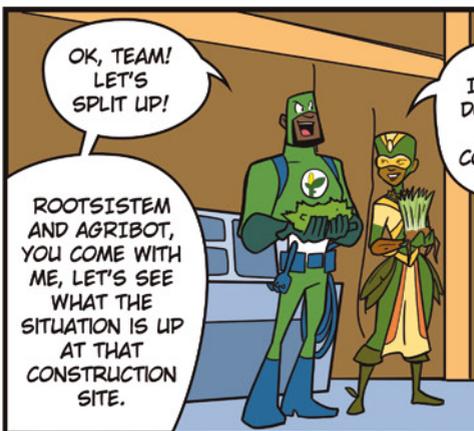


PERFECT! HERE, TAKE A FEW OF MY MAGICAL VETIVER SLIPS.



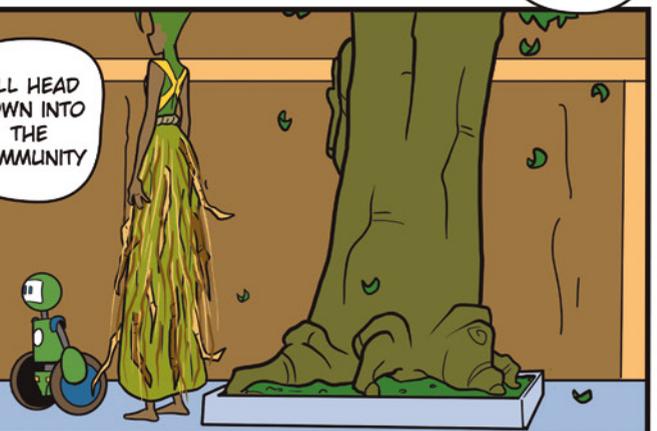
EACH ONE MULTIPLES TO PRODUCE MORE PLANTS OF THEIR OWN.

YOU CAN WEAVE THE DRIED LEAVES TO CREATE BASKETS AND THATCHING TO HELP WITH THE CLEANUP



OK, TEAM! LET'S SPLIT UP!

ROOTSISTEM AND AGRIBOT, YOU COME WITH ME, LET'S SEE WHAT THE SITUATION IS UP AT THAT CONSTRUCTION SITE.



I'LL HEAD DOWN INTO THE COMMUNITY

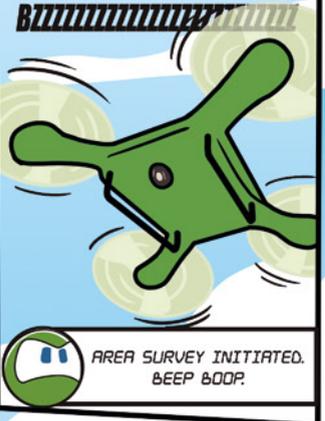
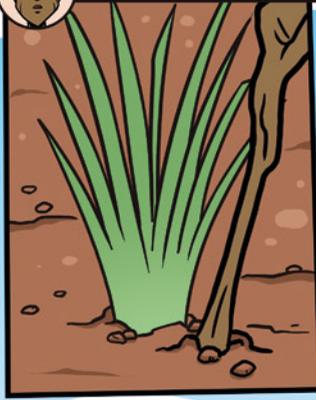


UP AT THE BARREN HILLSIDE



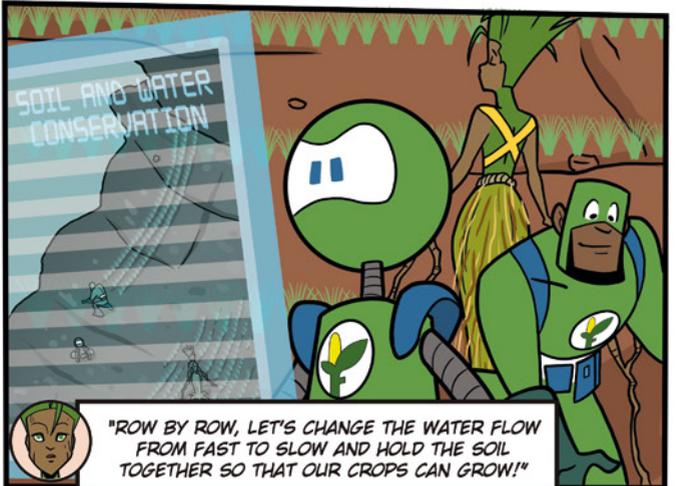
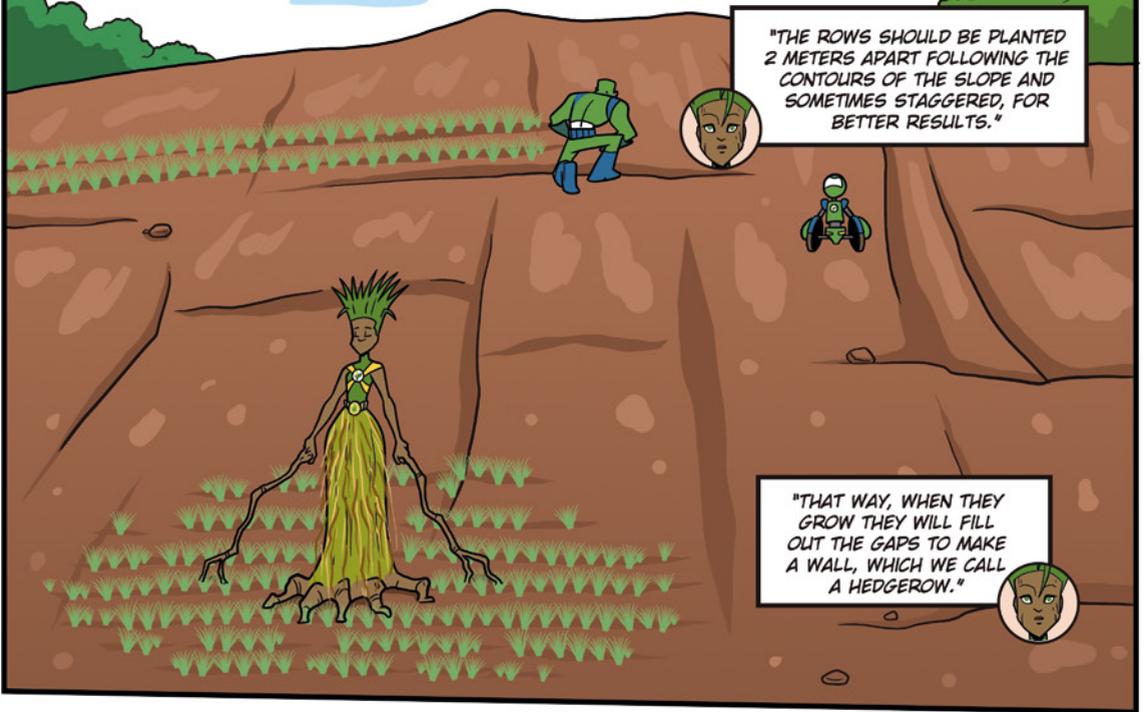
"INSTEAD OF SEEDS, WE PLANT SMALL SECTIONS OF MATURE ROOTS CALLED SLIPS."

"YOU SHOULD SPACE THEM ABOUT 15 CM APART."



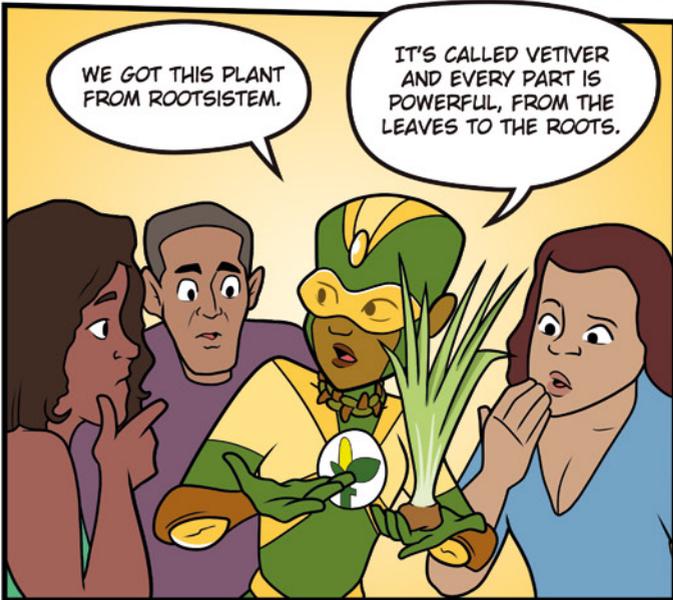
"THE ROWS SHOULD BE PLANTED 2 METERS APART FOLLOWING THE CONTOURS OF THE SLOPE AND SOMETIMES STAGGERED, FOR BETTER RESULTS."

"THAT WAY, WHEN THEY GROW THEY WILL FILL OUT THE GAPS TO MAKE A WALL, WHICH WE CALL A HEDGEROW."



"ROW BY ROW, LET'S CHANGE THE WATER FLOW FROM FAST TO SLOW AND HOLD THE SOIL TOGETHER SO THAT OUR CROPS CAN GROW!"







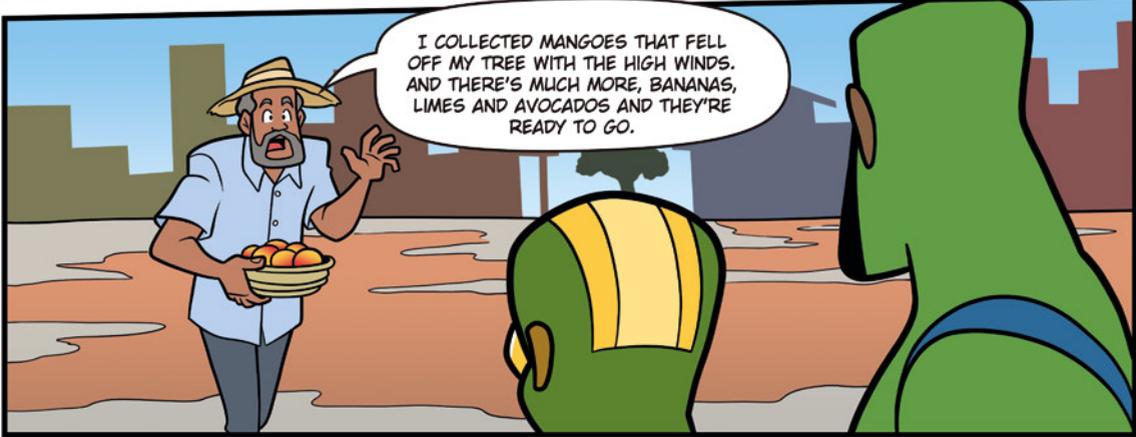


WE CAN SET UP A SHOP DOWN BY THE BRIDGE AND HELP THESE PEOPLE TO GET A FRESH START

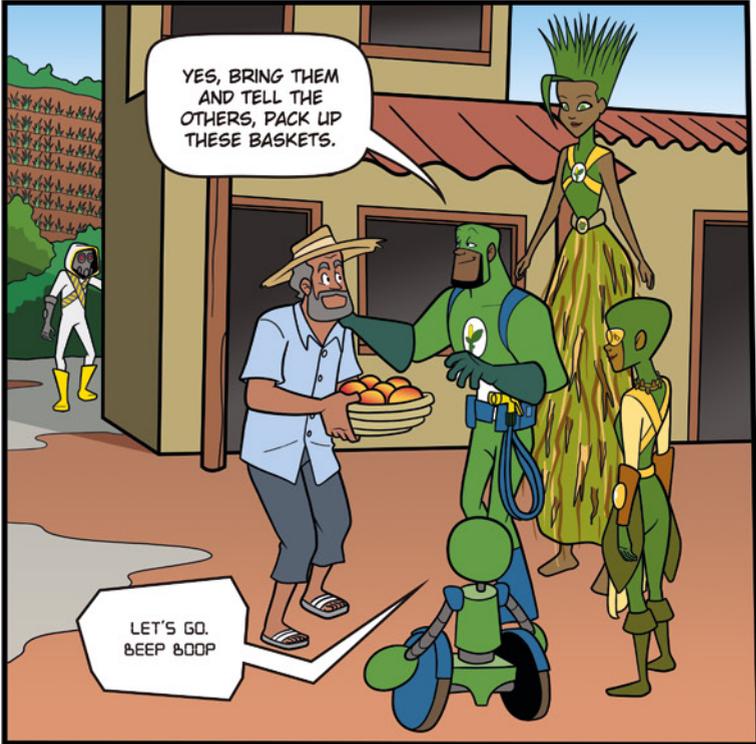
GREAT IDEA! WE CAN TEACH THEM HOW TO MAKE SOAPS AND LOTIONS AND START A SMALL BUSINESS USING THE VETIVER.



HEY WHAT ABOUT FRUITS?

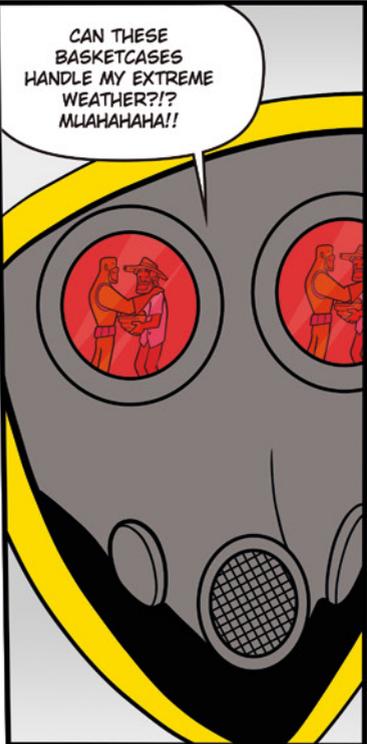


I COLLECTED MANGOES THAT FELL OFF MY TREE WITH THE HIGH WINDS. AND THERE'S MUCH MORE, BANANAS, LIMES AND AVOCADOS AND THEY'RE READY TO GO.



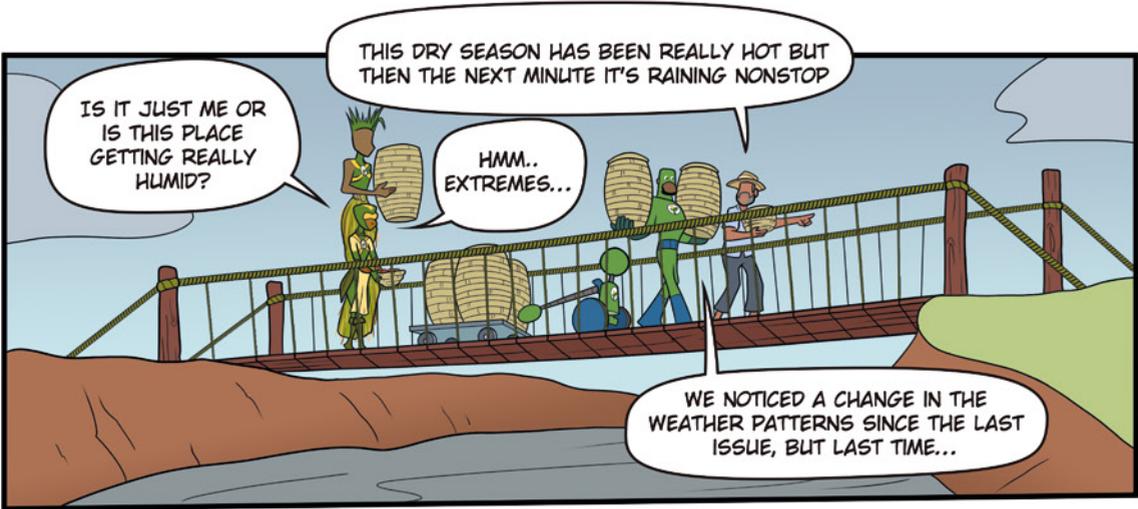
YES, BRING THEM AND TELL THE OTHERS, PACK UP THESE BASKETS.

LET'S GO. BEEP BOOP



CAN THESE BASKETCASES HANDLE MY EXTREME WEATHER?!? MUAHAHAHA!!



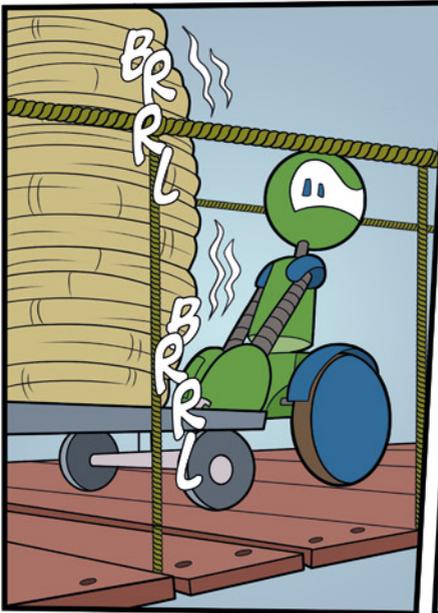


IS IT JUST ME OR IS THIS PLACE GETTING REALLY HUMID?

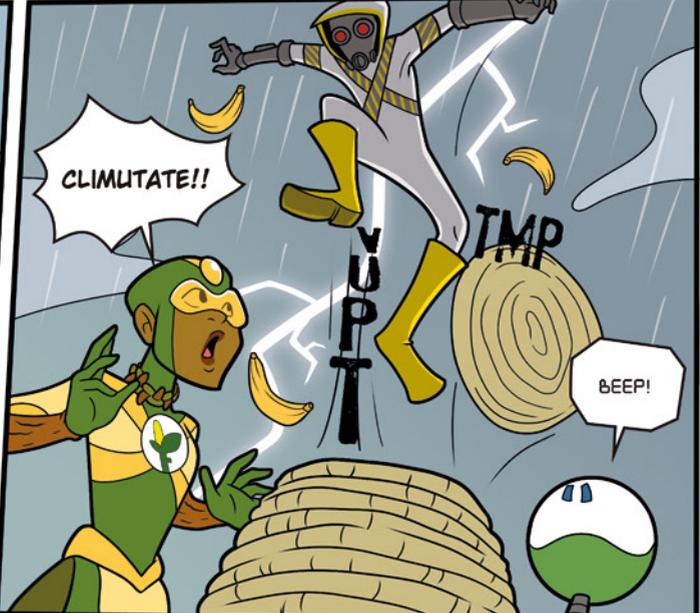
THIS DRY SEASON HAS BEEN REALLY HOT BUT THEN THE NEXT MINUTE IT'S RAINING NONSTOP

HMM.. EXTREMES...

WE NOTICED A CHANGE IN THE WEATHER PATTERNS SINCE THE LAST ISSUE, BUT LAST TIME...



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CLIMUTATE!!

BEEP!



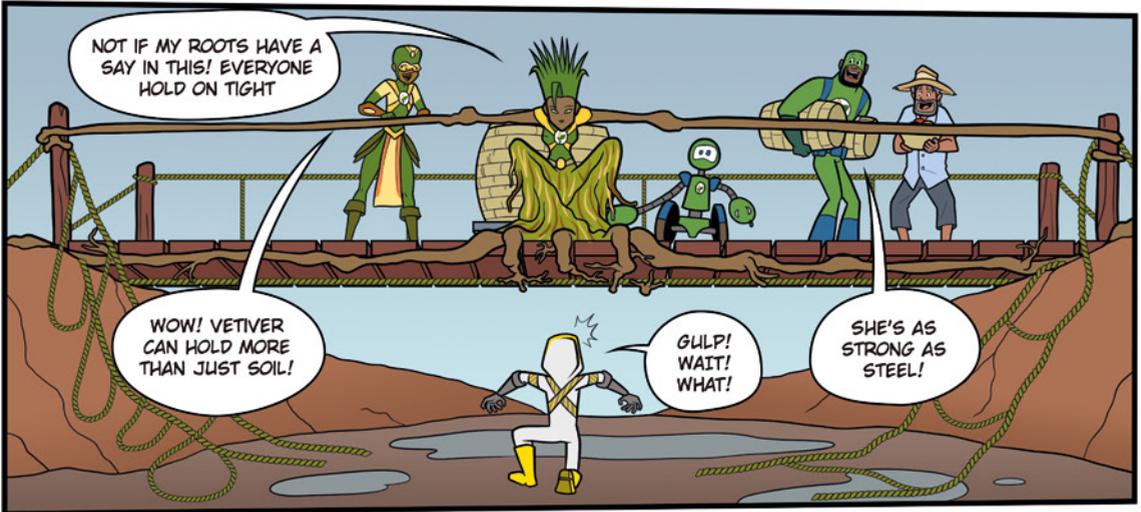
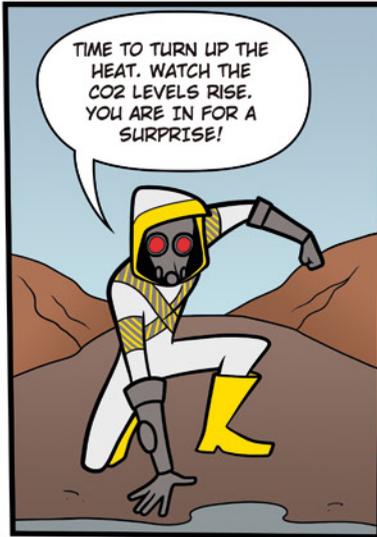
HE CUT THE BRIDGE'S RAILINGS!

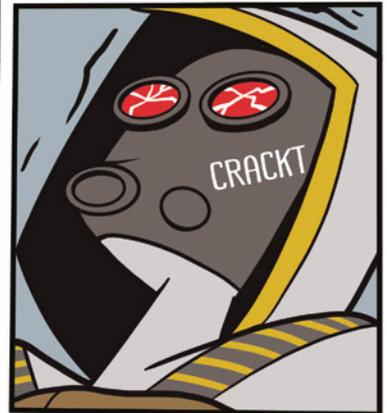
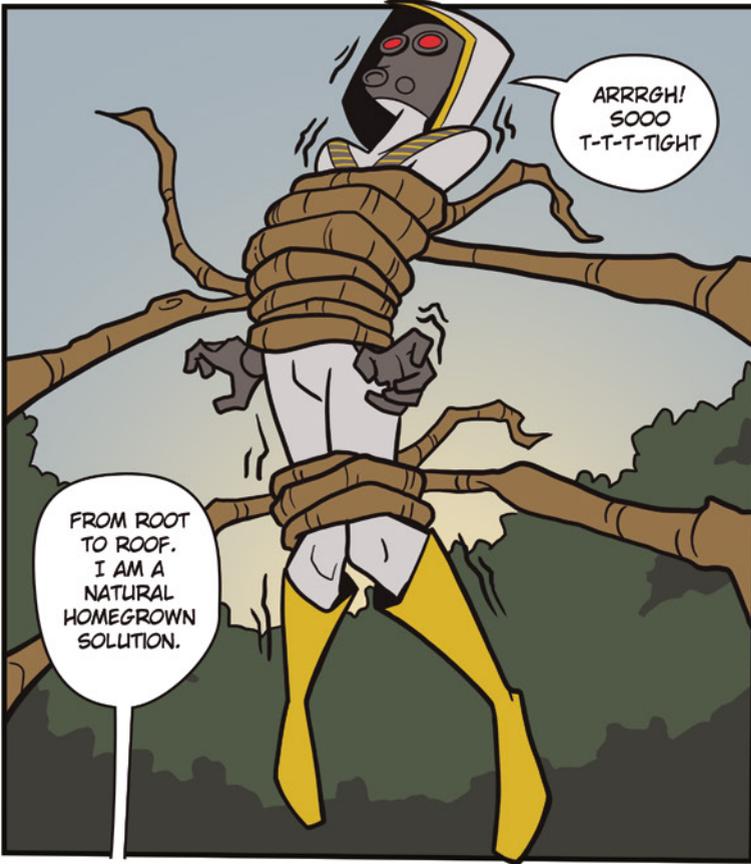
AND WITHOUT ROPES...

WE'RE GOING DOWN!!

AT LEAST WE'LL LAND IN THE RIVER WATER. PREPARE TO SWIM!









LET'S CAPTURE THAT CARBON .

WHAT IS HE DOING?

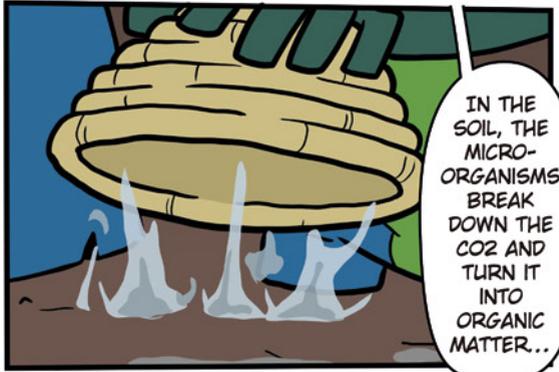
YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS MINE.



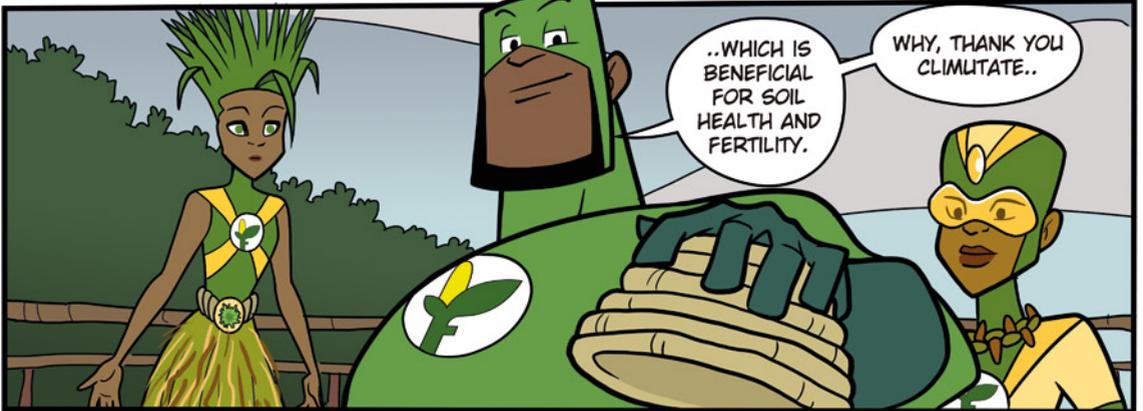
WE CAN TRAP HIS CARBON...



...AND PUT IT INTO THE GROUND.



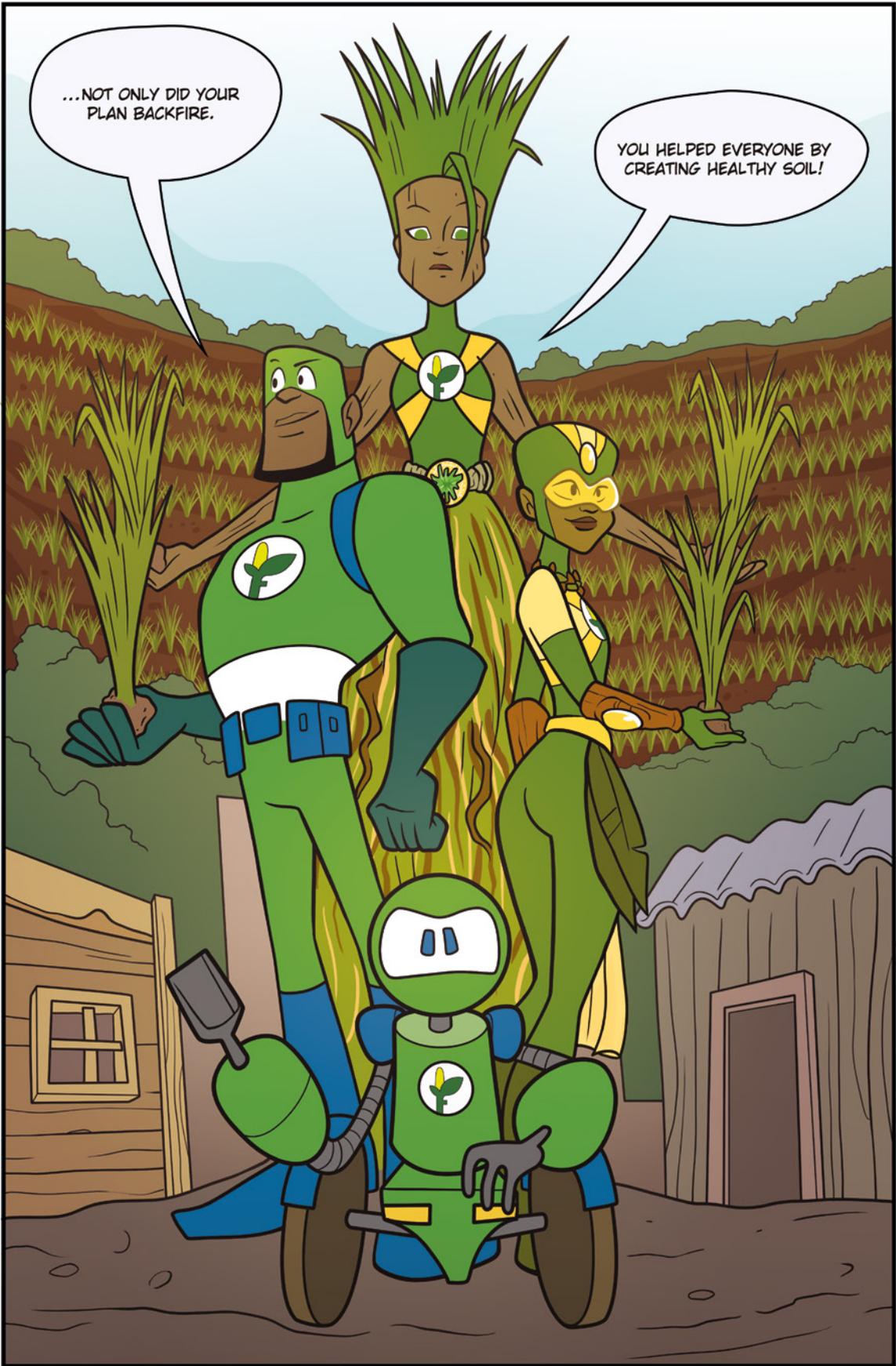
IN THE SOIL, THE MICRO-ORGANISMS BREAK DOWN THE CO2 AND TURN IT INTO ORGANIC MATTER...



..WHICH IS BENEFICIAL FOR SOIL HEALTH AND FERTILITY.

WHY, THANK YOU CLIMUTATE..





...NOT ONLY DID YOUR PLAN BACKFIRE.

YOU HELPED EVERYONE BY CREATING HEALTHY SOIL!





HELPED?!?  
WHAT?!?

GRRR! CLIMUTATE  
YOU IMBECILE!

YOU HAD A  
DESTRUCTION  
ORDER! THAT  
WAS NOT THE  
PLAN!!



I WILL NEVER  
STOP. I WILL  
DEFEAT YOU AND  
YOUR MEDDLING  
TEAM AGRIMAN!

TO BE CONTINUED...





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## ADVENTURES

UP IN THE HILLS A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IS CAUSING EXCITEMENT  
 BUILDING NEW HOMES IS THE ASSIGNMENT!  
 EVEN THOUGH THEIR INTENTION WAS GOOD  
 RECKLESS ACTIONS SPELL TROUBLE...  
 ESPECIALLY FOR THE LOWER-LYING NEIGHBOURHOOD!

THE WEATHER CHANGES SUDDENLY CREATING AN UNSTOPPABLE WATER FLOW  
 WHAT HAPPENS UP TOP, AFFECTS DOWN BELOW!  
 ON THE COAST, FLOODS CAUSE EVERYTHING IN HOMES TO SPOIL  
 THE RAINS CAUSE LANDSLIDES, BRINGING DOWN THE PRECIOUS SOIL!

A FAMILIAR VILLAIN NAMED CLIMUTATE HAS REENTERED THE SCENE  
 OUR FOOD SECURITY SQUAD CALLS ON A NEW HERO TO INTERVENE  
 HER HAIR IS THICK AND MADE OF VETIVER GRASS  
 HER ROOTS CAN GROW REALLY LONG, AND MULTIPLY REALLY FAST!  
 THERE'S MORE TO HER THAN MEETS THE EYE  
 WITH ROOTSISTEM'S HELP WILL THEY BE ABLE TO RESTORE THE HILLSIDE?



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