

THE THREE STEP
TOWER, FOUND
WITHIN MINGZHU
COLLEGE'S MAIN
CAMPUS, HAS A LONG
AND STORIED PAST.

IT ALLOWS ALL THE
SCATTERED ELEMENTAL
ENERGY BETWEEN THE
HEAVENS AND THE EARTH
TO GATHER WITHIN ITS
WALLS. IT IS A SPECIAL
MAGICAL BUILDING THAT
CONTAINS THE WISDOM
OF ITS CREATORS.

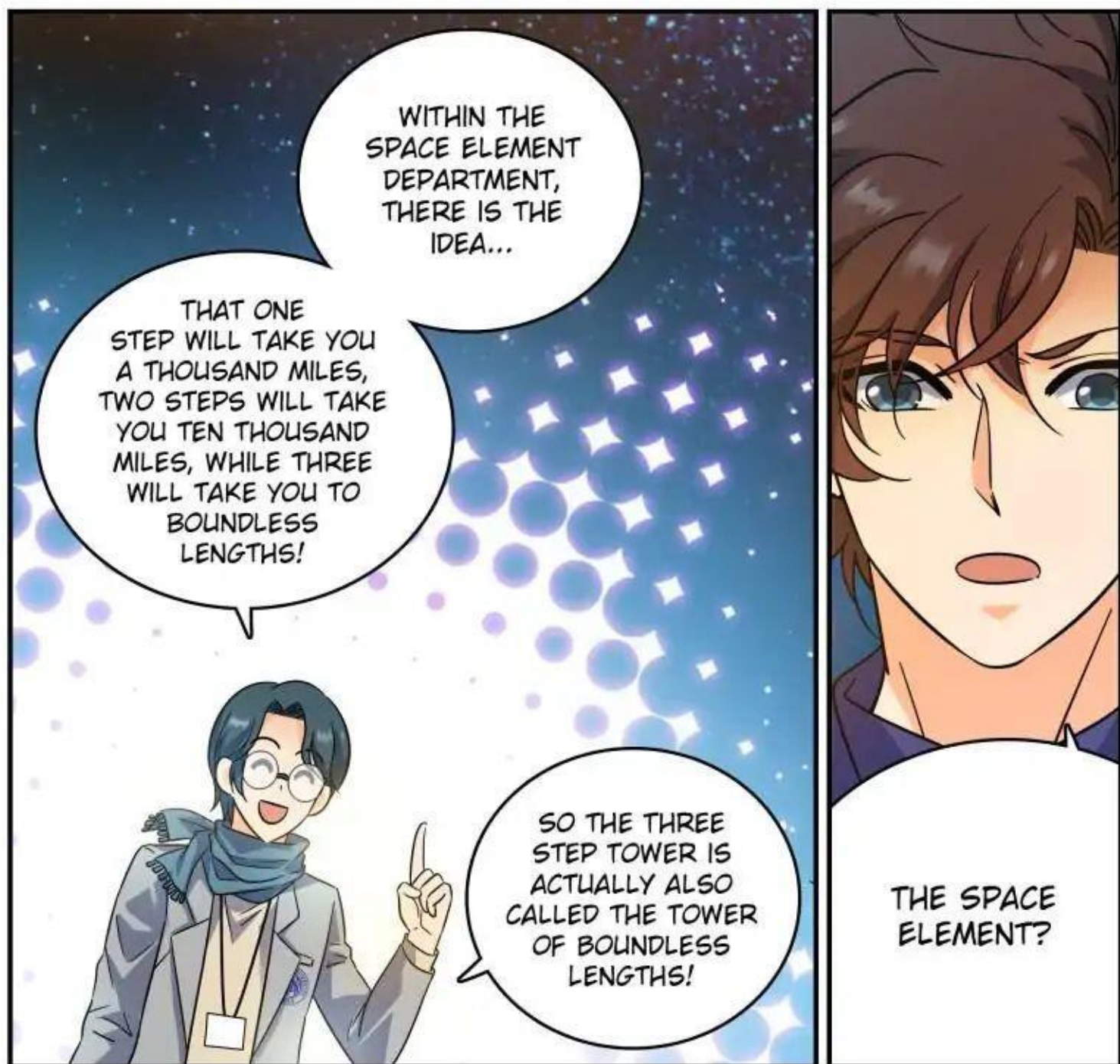
YOU CAN CALL
THIS THE HEART OF
MINGZHU COLLEGE,
THE MEANS THROUGH
WHICH WE CULTIVATE
OUR GREATEST
GENIUSES.

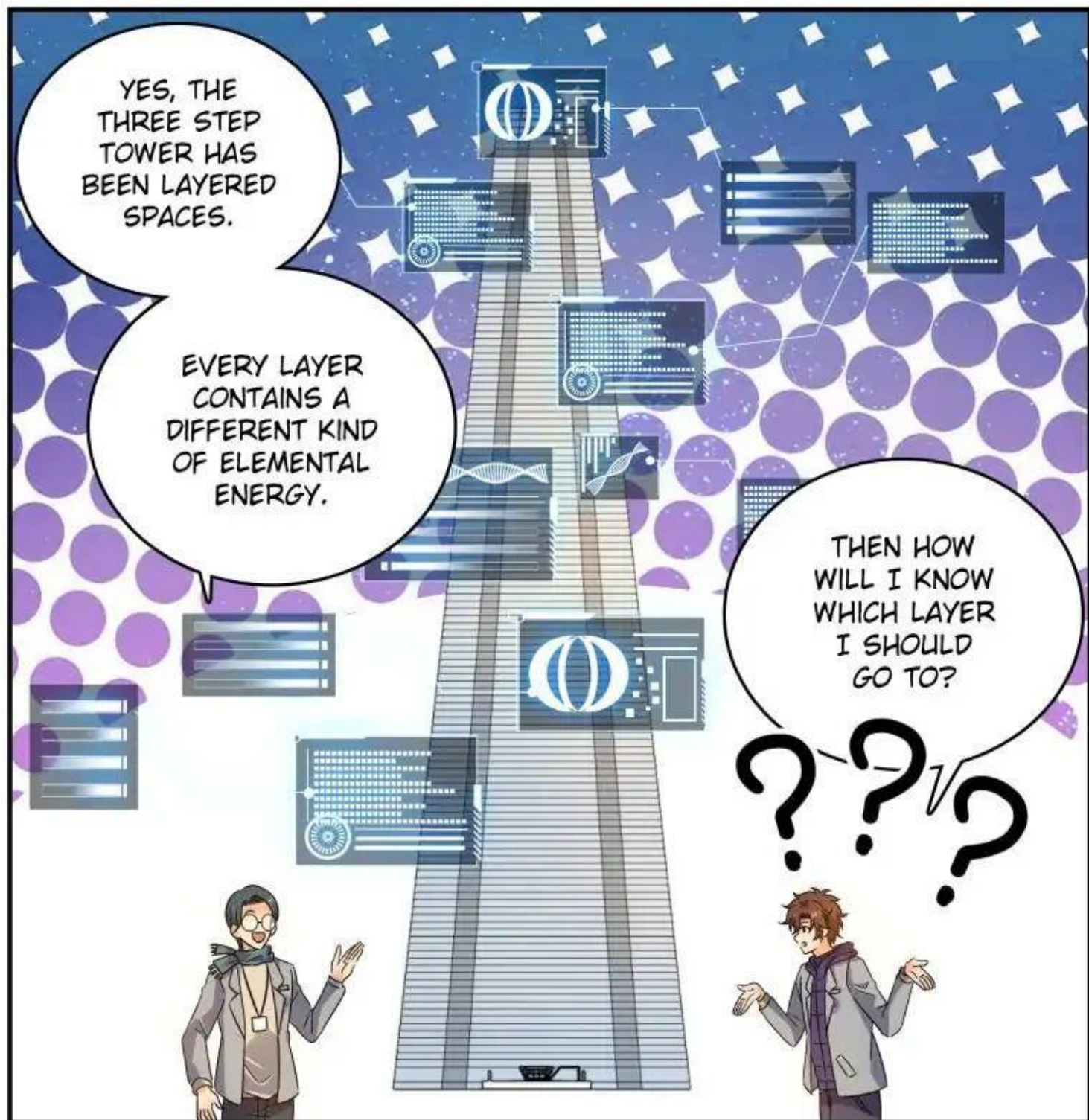
SO THIS IS
THE THREE STEP
TOWER!











YES, THE
THREE STEP
TOWER HAS
BEEN LAYERED
SPACES.

EVERY LAYER
CONTAINS A
DIFFERENT KIND
OF ELEMENTAL
ENERGY.

THEN HOW
WILL I KNOW
WHICH LAYER
I SHOULD
GO TO?

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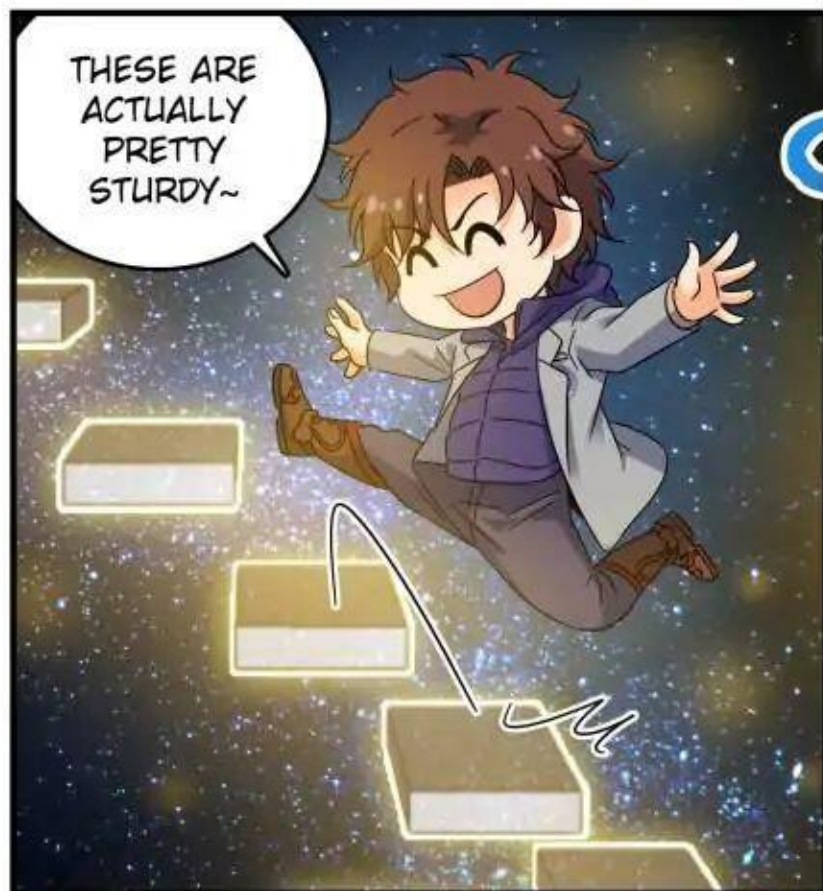


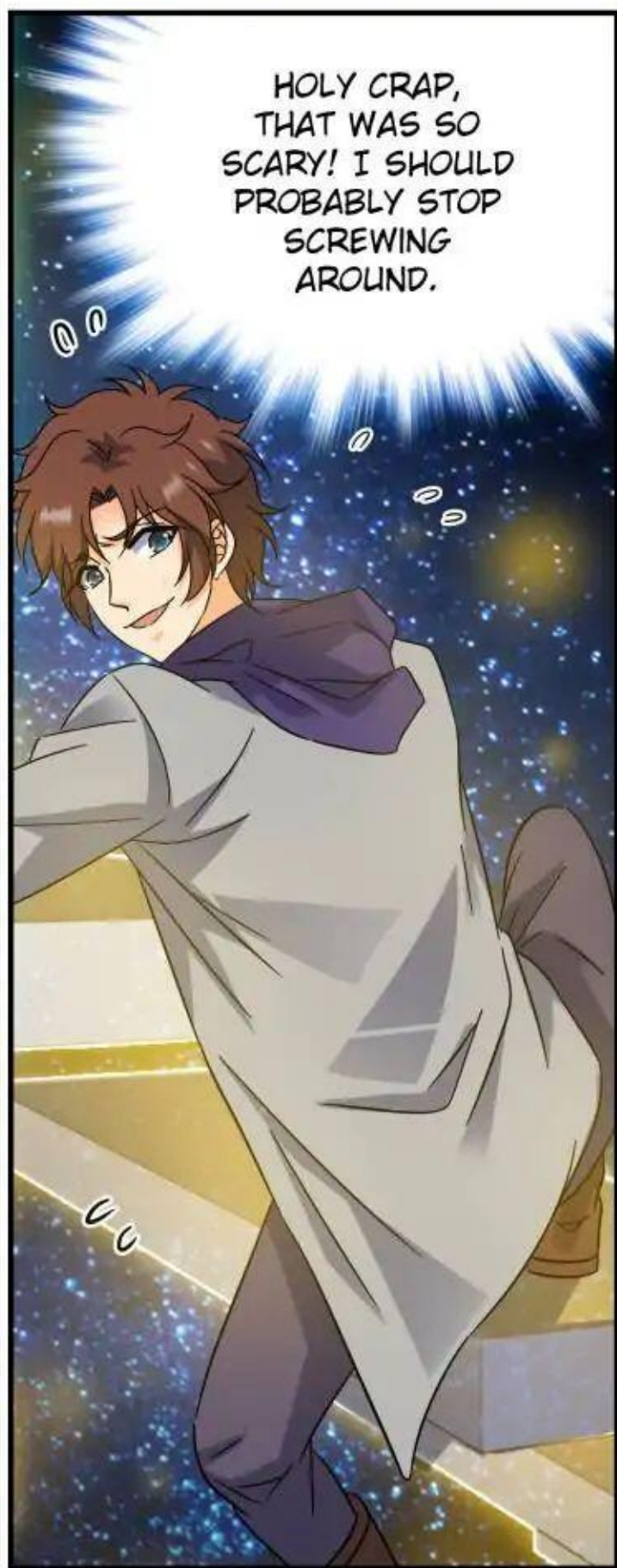
WELL...
YOU'LL JUST
HAVE TO GO AND
FEEL IT OUT
YOURSELF.

ALL I CAN
DO IS TAKE YOU
THIS FAR. BUT
YEAH, JUST TAKES
THESE STEPS AND
HEAD UP.

THANKS...







WHAT THE
HECK IS GOING ON?
WHY ARE MY MANA
LEVELS CONTINUING
TO DROP?



I NEED
TO HURRY
UP A BIT.

OTHERWISE,
MY FIRE ELEMENT
STAR CLOUD'S MANA
WILL GET DEPLETED
BEFORE I EVEN
REACH THE FIRST
LAYER!







THE CULTIVATION
SPEED HERE IS 20
TIMES FASTER THAN
IT IS OUTSIDE?!

AND THIS IS ONLY
THE FIRST LAYER!
IF I CAN GET TO THE
SECOND LAYER...!

OUTSIDE
THE THREE STEP
TOWER —



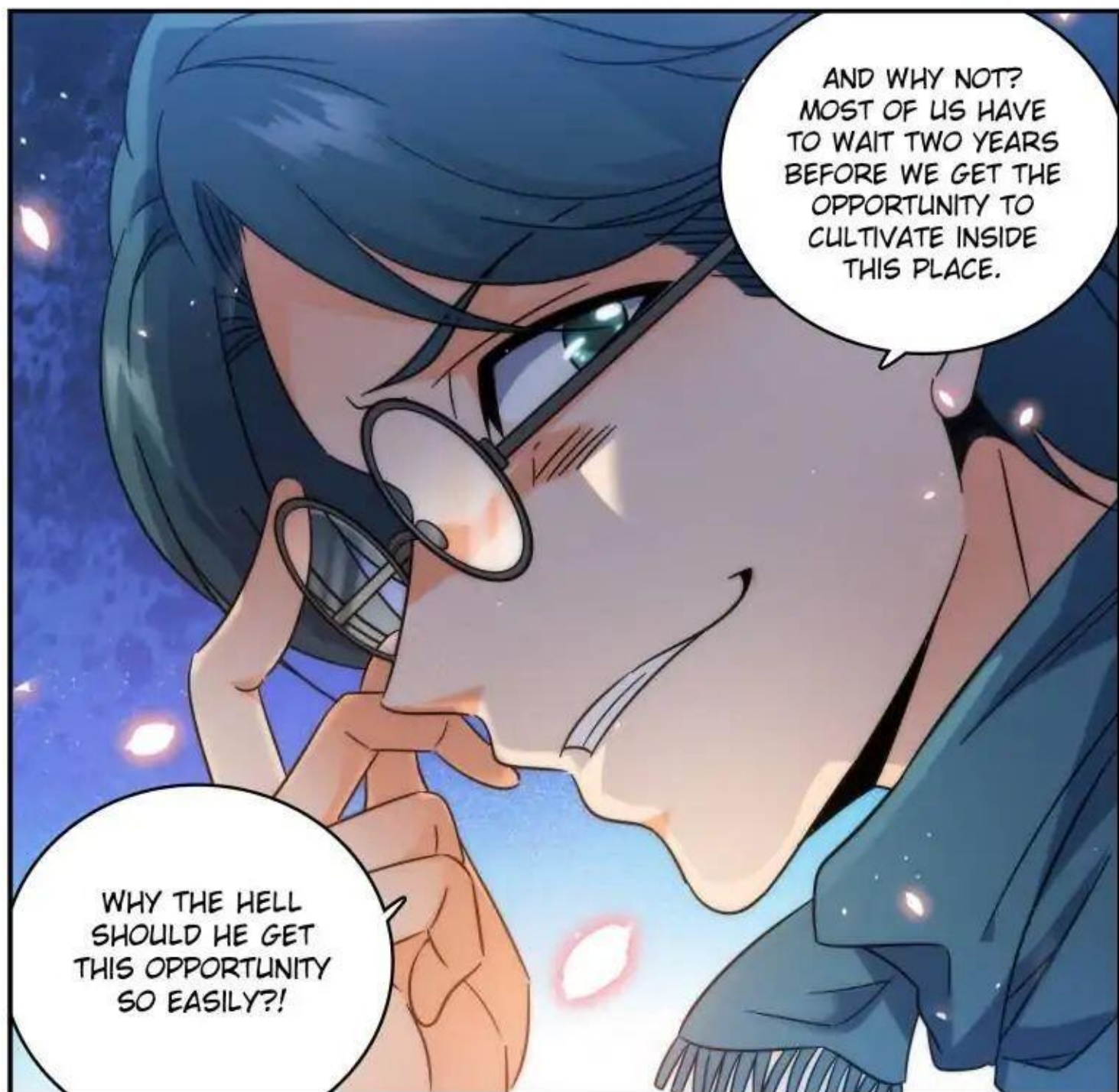
COULD IT BE...
THAT YOU "FORGOT"
TO TELL THE NEWBIE
AGAIN... THAT FOR EACH
LAYER YOU GO UP, THE
SPEED OF MANA CON-
SUMPTION GREATLY
INCREASES?



WHY SHOULD I
EVEN BOTHER?

THEY ALL
FIND OUT
THEMSELVES,
SOONER OR
LATER.

THIS WON'T
DO, MAN.



AND WHY NOT?
MOST OF US HAVE
TO WAIT TWO YEARS
BEFORE WE GET THE
OPPORTUNITY TO
CULTIVATE INSIDE
THIS PLACE.

WHY THE HELL
SHOULD HE GET
THIS OPPORTUNITY
SO EASILY?!