

HE'S  
THE ONE THAT  
SCORED DEAD-  
LAST... I THINK  
HE MIGHT BE  
OF USE.

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WHAT...

WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING  
HERE? I... I  
HAVE TO GET  
GOING, SO -




WHAT  
ARE YOU SO  
SCARED OF?



YOU WERE  
TALKING ABOUT  
TRASH STUDENTS,  
AND I KNOW THAT  
INCLUDES ME...

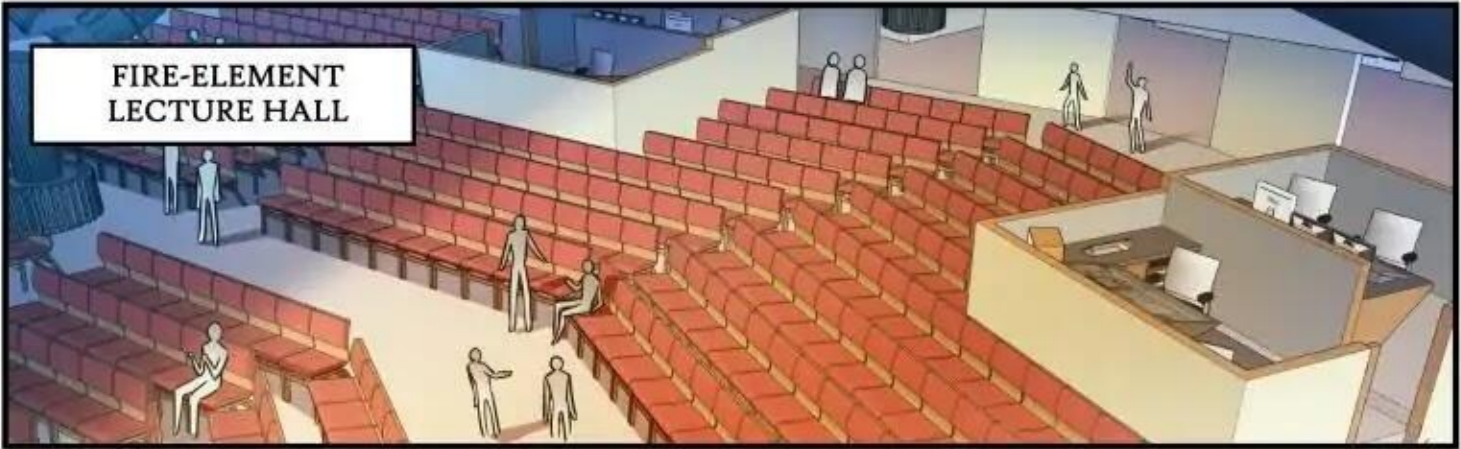
EVERYONE ON THE  
FIRE CAMPUS LOOKS  
DOWN ON YOU, AND I  
JUST SO HAPPEN TO PISS  
EVERYONE OFF TOO.  
WE'RE BASICALLY THE  
SAME TO THEM!

I...  
I KNOW THAT I'M  
TERRIBLE TOO...



HOLD ON!  
WHAT IF I LENT  
*THIS* TO YOU? ALL  
YOU HAVE TO DO  
IS HELP ME OUT  
WITH SOMETHING.  
WHAT DO YOU  
SAY?









IT'S THE FIRST DAY OF A LONG WEEK OF CHALLENGES FOR YOU.

DO YOU EVEN HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE EYEING ALL THOSE RESOURCES YOU GOT?



I APPRECIATE THE CONCERN, BUT THIS IS ONLY THE SECOND TIME WE'VE TALKED TO EACH OTHER. YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ME SO MUCH.



I'D HAVE TO BE OUT OF MY MIND TO WORRY ABOUT SOMEONE LIKE YOU!



SILENCE!



EVERYONE SHOULD BE CLEAR ON HOW WE WILL PROCEED. IN MY HAND IS THE LIST OF CHALLENGES.

EVERYONE WILL HEAD TO THE ARENA, WHERE WE WILL START IMMEDIATELY.

























THE WEAK  
ONES ALWAYS  
TALK THE  
MOST.

WHAT A  
FEROCIOUSLY  
POWERFUL WHIP-  
PERSNAPPER  
HE IS!



I'LL BE  
OFF TO HEAL THE  
CHALLENGERS.  
SIGH... LOOKS LIKE  
I'LL BE QUITE  
BUSY.

HMPH!  
HE'S NOT  
THAT  
STRONG.



ON TO THE NEXT  
CHALLENGER!











IT'S OBVIOUS  
THAT HE HAS THE  
STRENGTH TO BEAT  
THEM IN AN INSTANT,  
BUT HE'S TOYING  
WITH THEM IN-  
STEAD...



DAMN IT! I  
WON'T BE ABLE  
TO DO ANYTHING  
IF HE KEEPS  
CASTING FIRE  
BURST!



I...



NEXT!



I SURR-  
ENDER.



WAIT!  
TIME OUT!  
I HAVE A  
REQUEST!