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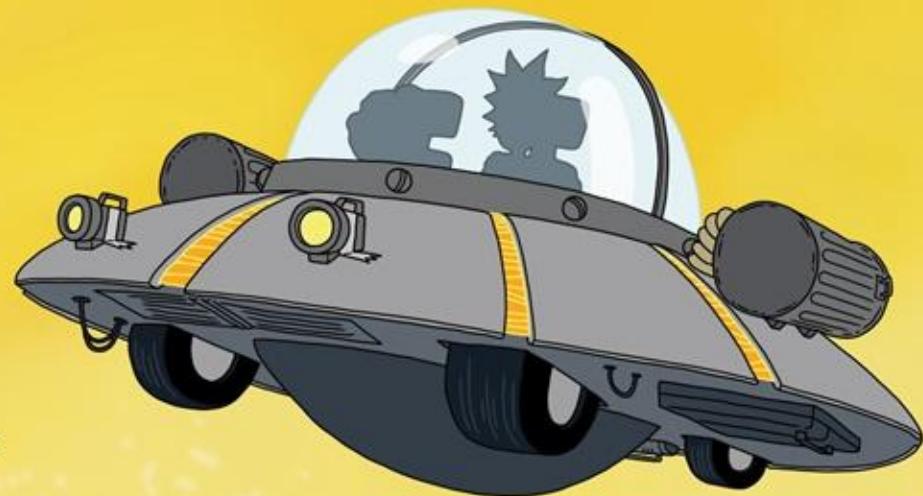
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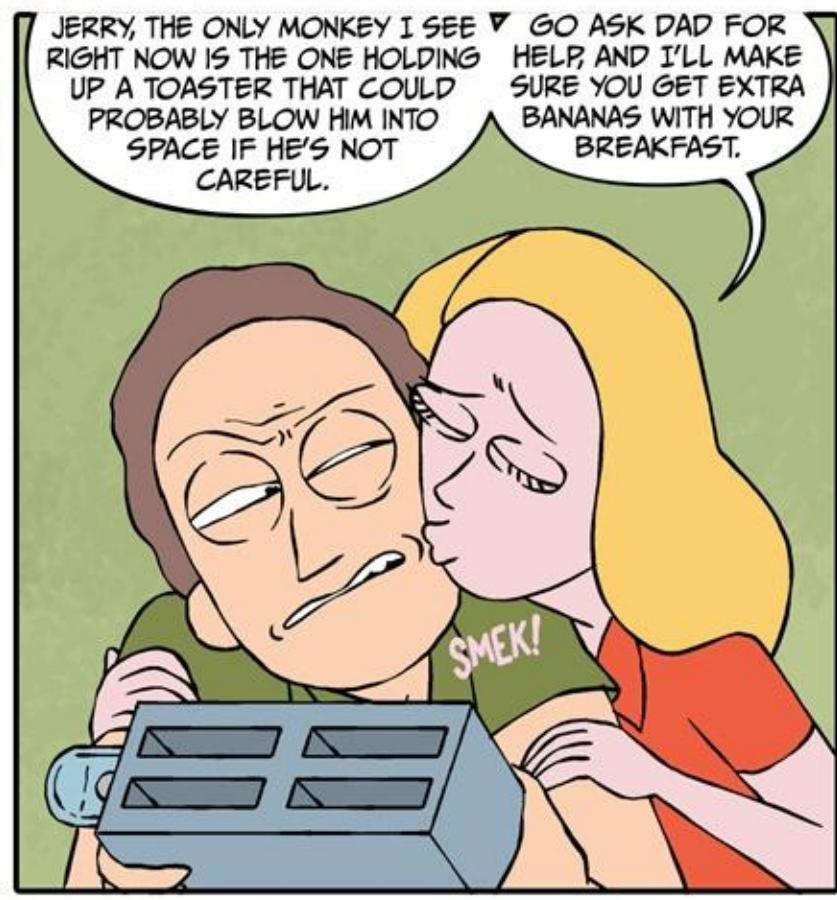
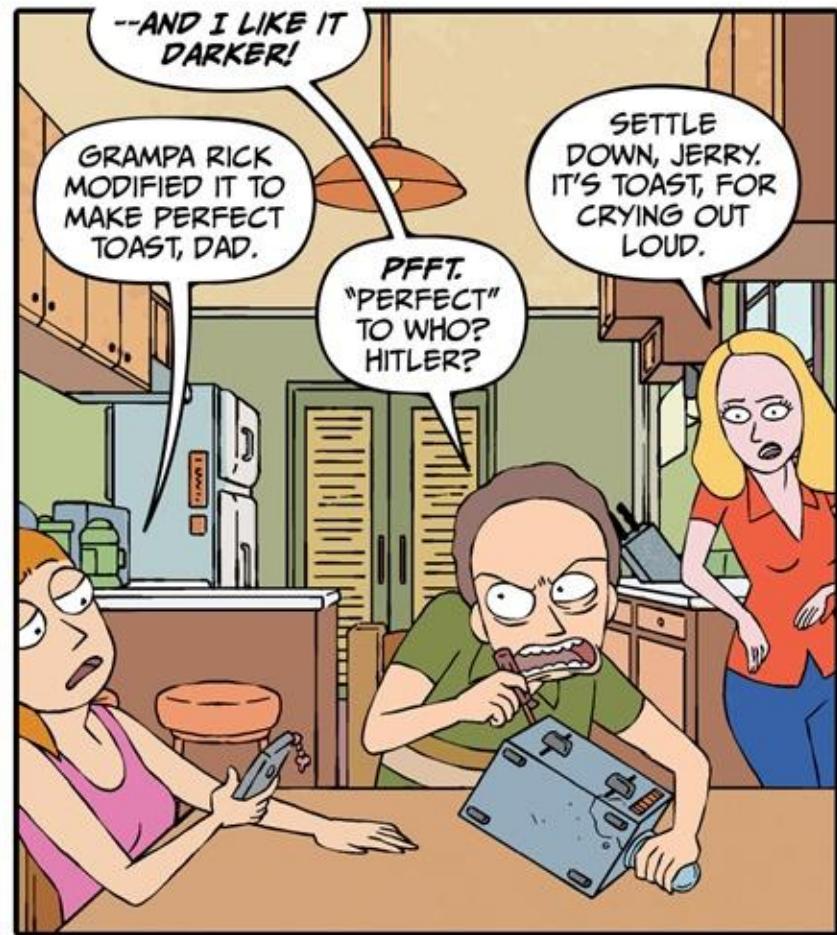
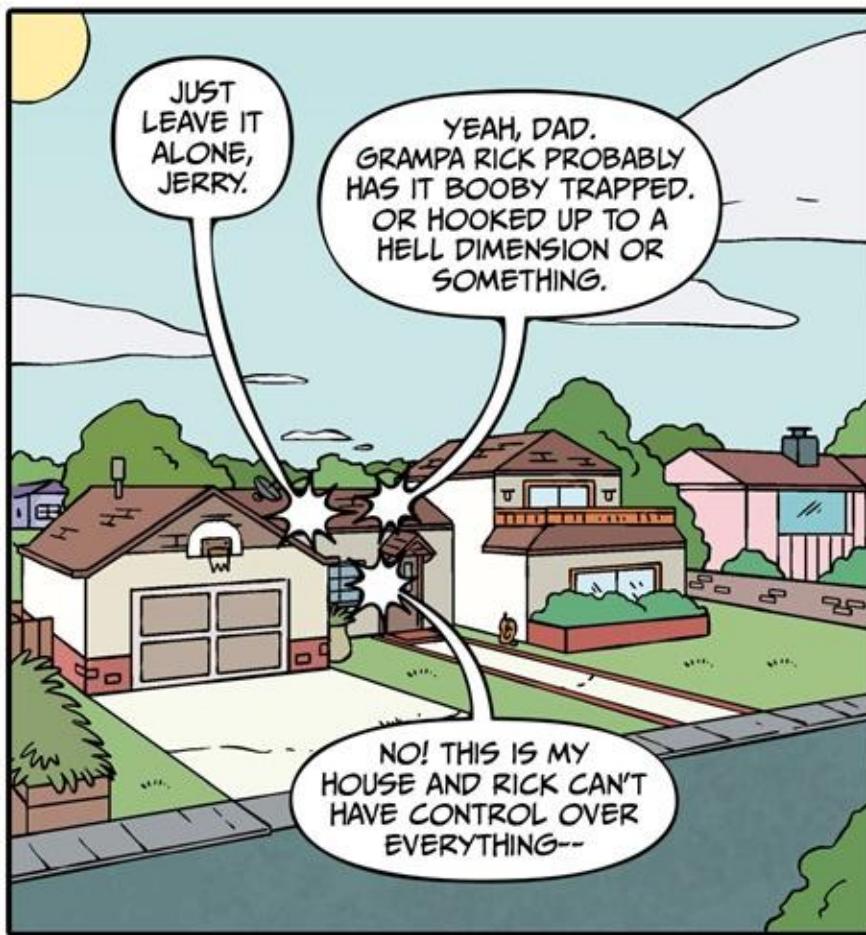


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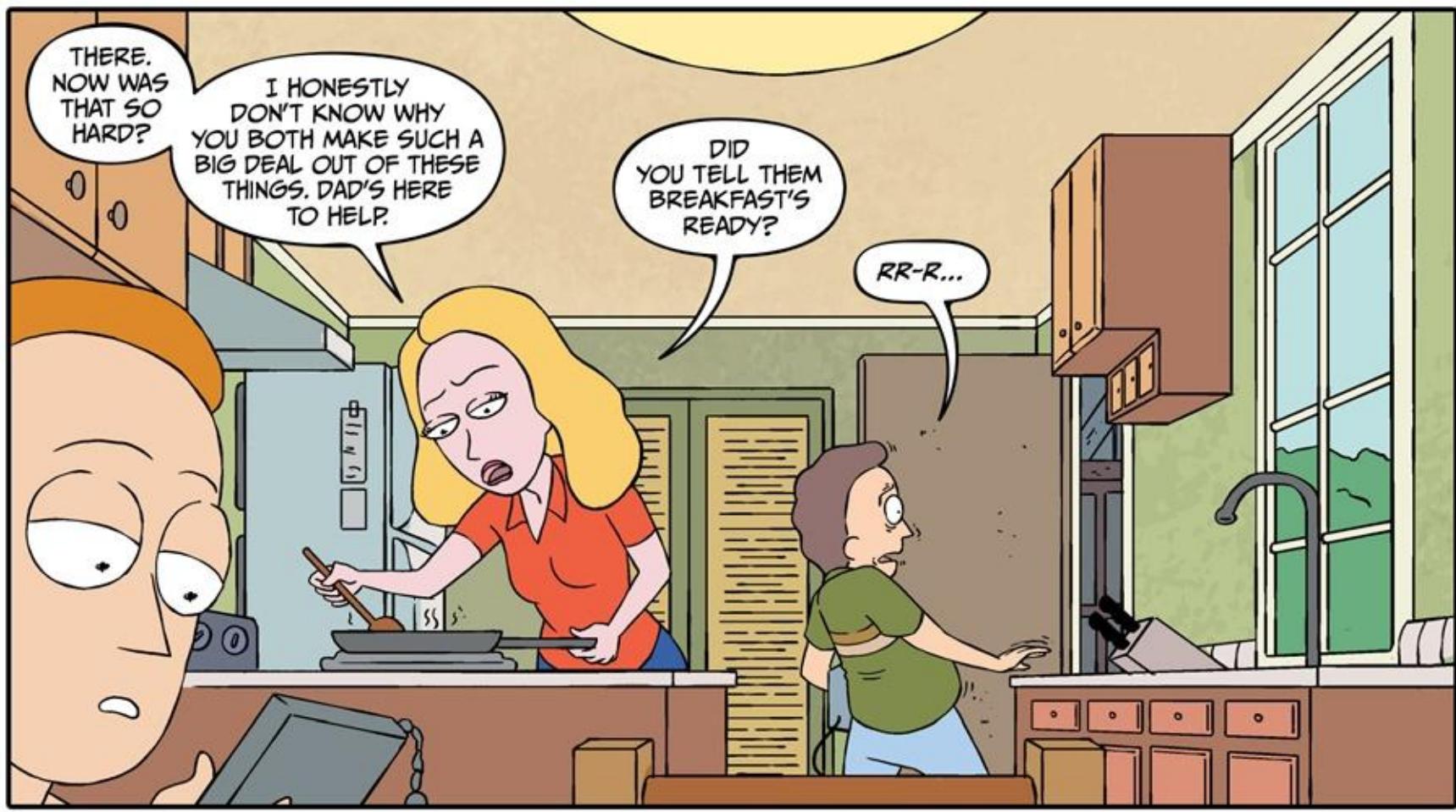
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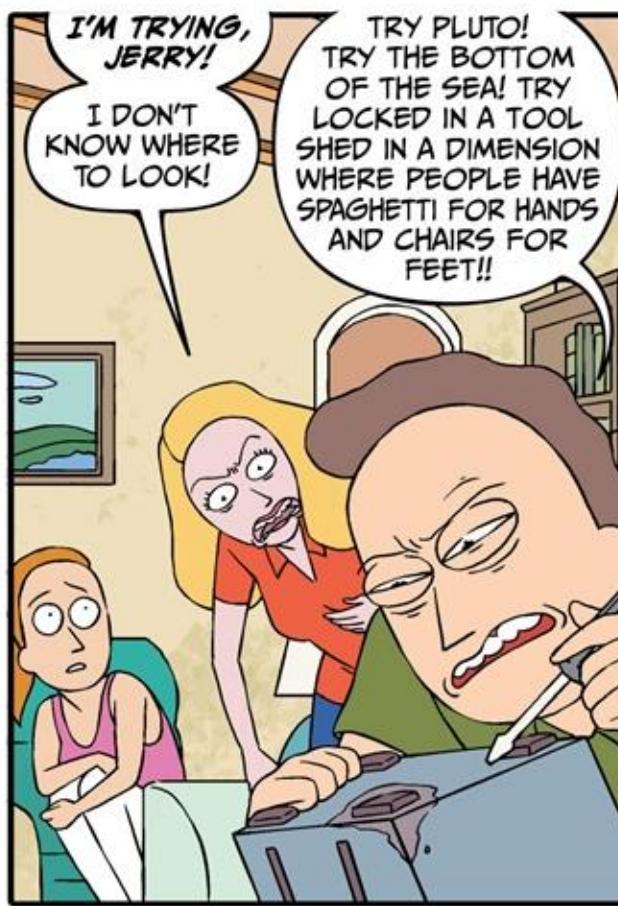
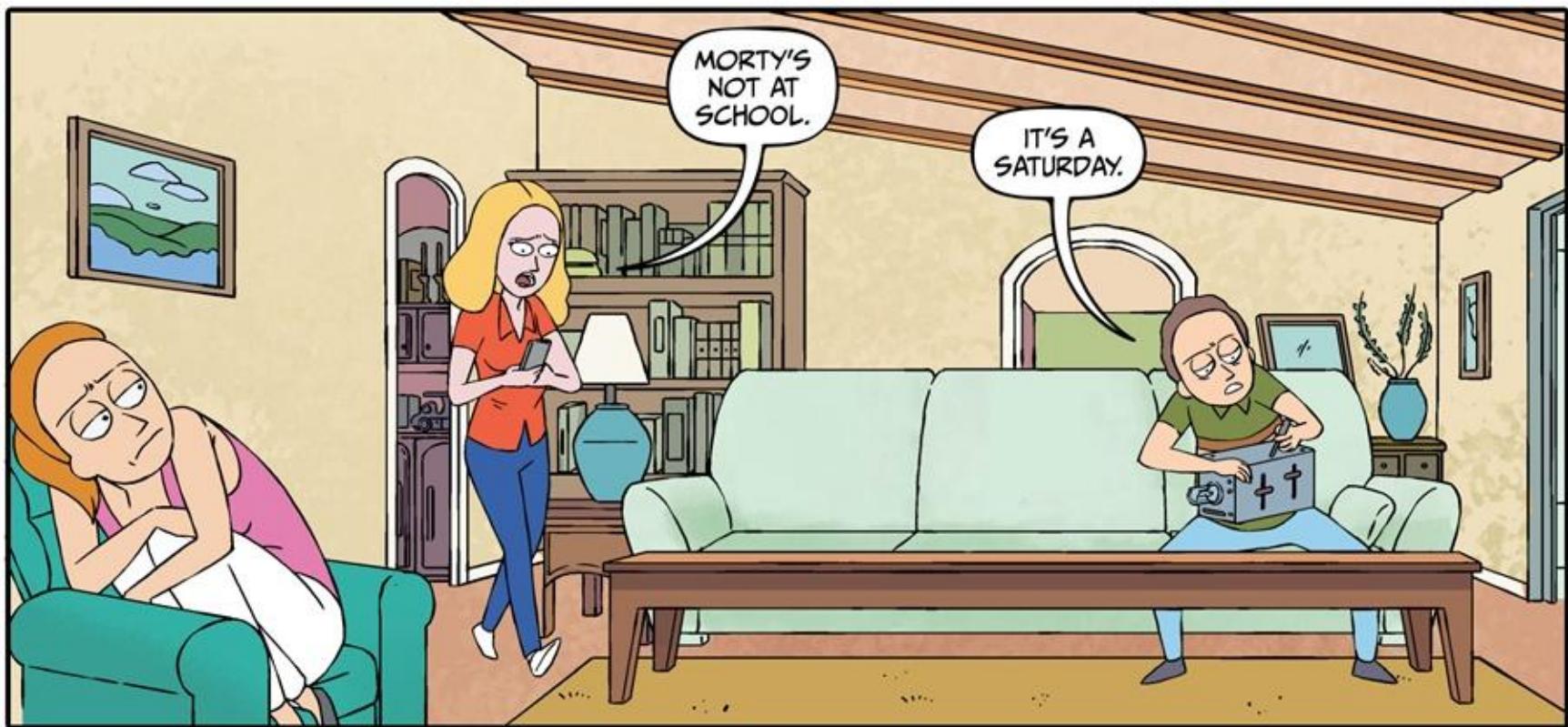
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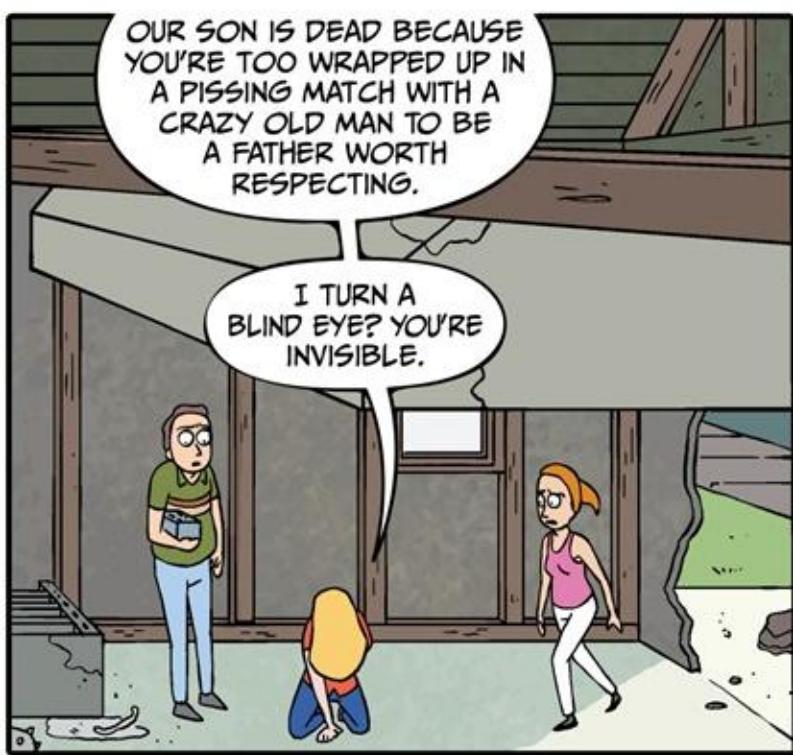












NO. NOT RICK. IT'S NOT RICK'S FAULT. IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT. IT'S NOT MOM'S FAULT. IT'S NOT MORTY'S FAULT.

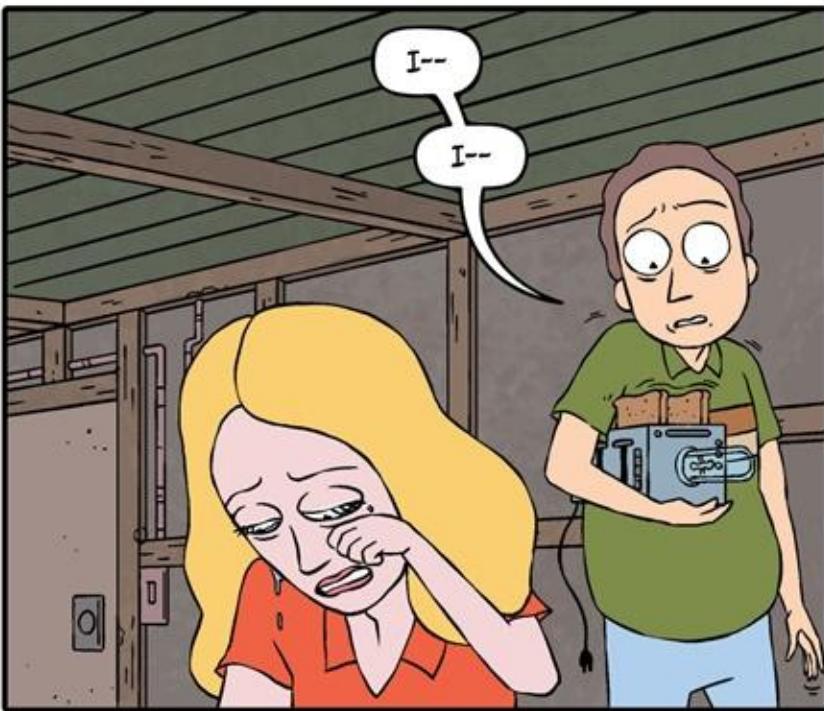
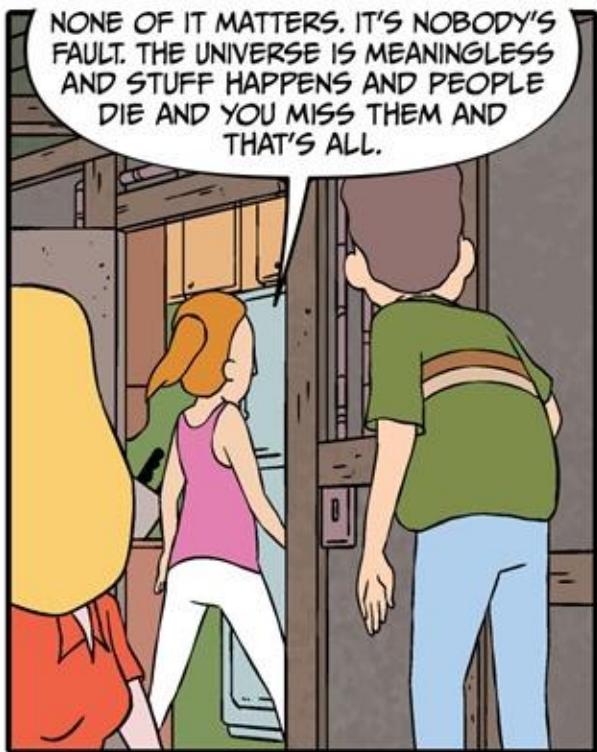
GRAMPA IS SMART. HE CAN TAKE YOU ANYWHERE. WHY WOULD MORTY SAY NO?

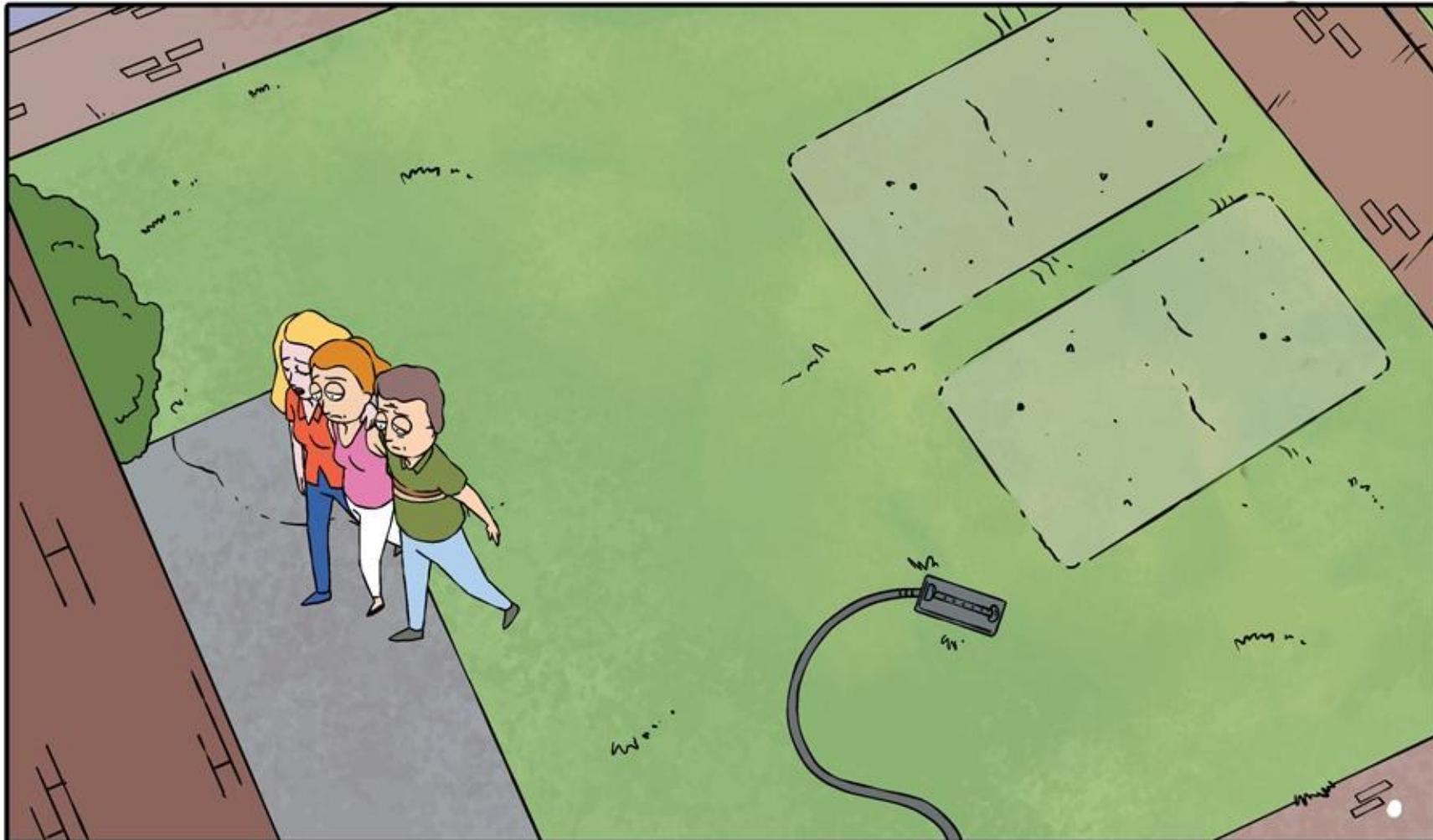
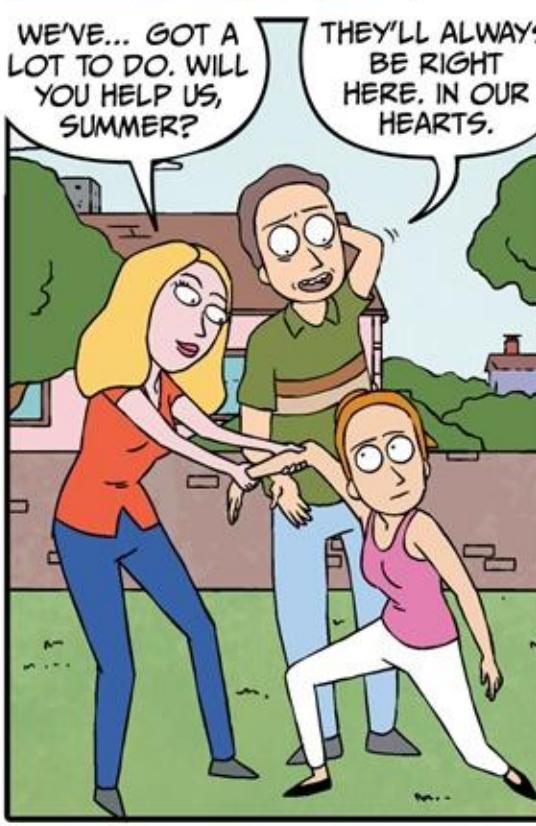
WE COULD HAVE STOPPED THEM. SAID NO. KEPT THEM HOME. BUT WE DIDN'T.

MAYBE BECAUSE THE THINGS THEY DID, THE PLACES THEY WENT, WERE SO UNBELIEVABLE IT MADE THEM EASY TO IGNORE. MAYBE BECAUSE THEY MADE THEM HAPPY.

MAYBE BECAUSE WE HAD PERFECT TOAST.

NONE OF IT MATTERS. IT'S NOBODY'S FAULT. THE UNIVERSE IS MEANINGLESS AND STUFF HAPPENS AND PEOPLE DIE AND YOU MISS THEM AND THAT'S ALL.







RELAX, MORTY. THAT WAS A JOKE. THESE GUYS PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE MUCH TO WORK WITH AT EITHER END.

BUT THE QUESTION REMAINS, WHAT'S THEIR ARMADA DOING PARKED OUTSIDE EARTH'S ORBIT? THIS OTHER RICK ISN'T LEAVING US MUCH TO WORK WITH.

SIGH: YES, MORTY, AN ALIEN INVASION. I FOUND THE HEAD OF AN ALTERNATE ME FLOATING IN AN EMPTY DIMENSION AND TOOK IT BACK TO MY LAB WHERE WE ENTERED THE MEMORY CENTERS OF ITS DYING CONSCIOUSNESS TO FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO WIPE OUT ITS UNIVERSE, WHICH IS EXACTLY LIKE OUR OWN UNIVERSE ONLY WITH A SLIGHTLY ACCELERATED TIMELINE...

TURNS OUT THEY'RE MORE EFFICIENT IN THE BATHROOM THAN WE ARE.

THEY  
REALLY GET  
SH\*T DONE!

WHAT?  
NOTHING?

HANG  
ON.

ZZOK  
ZZOK

OTHER  
RICK?

WH-WHAT?  
THERE'S AN...  
INVASION?



ANYWAY, IT STANDS TO REASON THESE ASSHOLES PROBABLY HAVE SOMETHING TO DO THE WHOLE WIPING OUT THE UNIVERSE THING, BUT I STILL CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT BROUGHT THEM HERE.

WATCH YOUR STEP.

UH, RICK?  
THIS IS AN ELEVATOR!

WON'T WE BE TRAPPED?

GE-UH-EE  
WHIZ, MORTY.  
WHY DIDN'T  
I THINK OF THAT?

JUST SIT  
TIGHT AND KEEP  
ANYMORE HELPFUL  
OBSERVATIONS  
OVER IN THAT  
CORNER.

THAT'LL BE  
THE "MORTY  
CORNER."

O-OKEY. IT'S  
JUST... A LOT TO  
TAKE IN, YOU  
KNOW?

LIKE--  
LIKE HOW DID  
WE EVEN GET  
HERE?

HOW INDEED,  
MORTY.

HANG  
ON.

HOW  
INDEED.

LIKE I WAS SAYING, MORTY. WE'RE INSIDE ANOTHER RICK'S BRAIN. AND I'VE GOT A REALLY BIG BRAIN, MORTY! REALLY BIG! LOTS OF POWERFUL NEURAL PATHWAYS.

THEY'RE LIKE MIGHTY RIVERS, MORTY! LIKE THE MIGHTY MISSISSIPPI! I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN NAVIGATE THEM. THE CURRENT, I-I-IT'S TOO STRONG FOR A NORMAL MIND. AND YOU--

WELL, YOU GOTTA JUST TRY AND KEEP UP, BUDDY.

I GOTTA PUT THE EXPOSITORY DIALOGUE ON HOLD AND CONCENTRATE, MORTY! TH-TH-THIS IS GONNA TAKE PRECISION!

LIKE THR-- EGH--DING A NEEDLE!

SEE THAT?! I'M A LEAF ON THE WIND HERE, MORTY! I'M RICK TIMES RICK. LIKE A SUPER RICK. I'M THE ONE, MORTY!

IT'S EXHILARATING, MORTY! CAN YOU FEEL IT?!

FROOOM

SHUTTLE BAY!  
LOOKS LIKE OUR STOP, MORTY.



OH MY GOD,  
RICK! WHAT--  
WHAT...?

FORGET IT, MORTY!  
GET IN! WE'VE GOT,  
LIKE, FORTY-FIVE  
SECONDS  
LEFT.

FORTY-FIVE  
SECONDS? I DON'T THINK  
WE HAVE THAT MUCH TIME.  
THEY'RE SURROUNDING  
THE SHIP!

AND THEY  
LOOK REALLY  
ANGRY.

IT'LL BE  
MORE LIKE THIRTY-  
TWO BY THE TIME YOU  
GET THAT DOOR  
CLOSED.

MILITARY ARMADAS  
LIKE THIS ONE LINK THEIR  
SHIPS TOGETHER ON THE  
SAME DATA AND NAVIGATIONAL  
NETWORKS FOR MAXIMUM  
EFFICIENCY. A LOT OF TIMES  
THEY'RE EVEN PILOTED  
REMOTELY.

WHICH  
MEANS MOST OF THESE  
MEATHEADS WOULDN'T KNOW  
ONE SYSTEM FROM  
ANOTHER.

OR, SAY,  
HOW MUCH SYSTEM  
ACCESS SOMEONE WITH  
A REALLY BIG BRAIN  
COULD FIND IN A SINGLE  
ELEVATOR CONTROL  
PANEL.

WE'RE  
ABOUT TO BE THE  
LEAST OF THEIR  
PROBLEMS.

RRRRUMMMBBBLE

BOOM

BOOM

BAD BOOM



YUP. JUST A SIMPLE MATTER OF REMOTELY SENDING A NEGATIVE IONIC LOAD ACROSS THE QUADRANIUM INFUSED COOLING BUFFERS. SETTING UP A SLOW BUILD MELTDOWN THAT THE COMPUTERS WOULD READ AS ENGINE EXHAUST UNTIL THE LAST SECOND.

THEN BOOM!

I LIKE THIS RICK'S STYLE.

UM, O-OKEY. SO DOES THAT MEAN WE'RE SAFE NOW? IS THE EARTH SAFE? A-ARE THEY COMING BACK...?

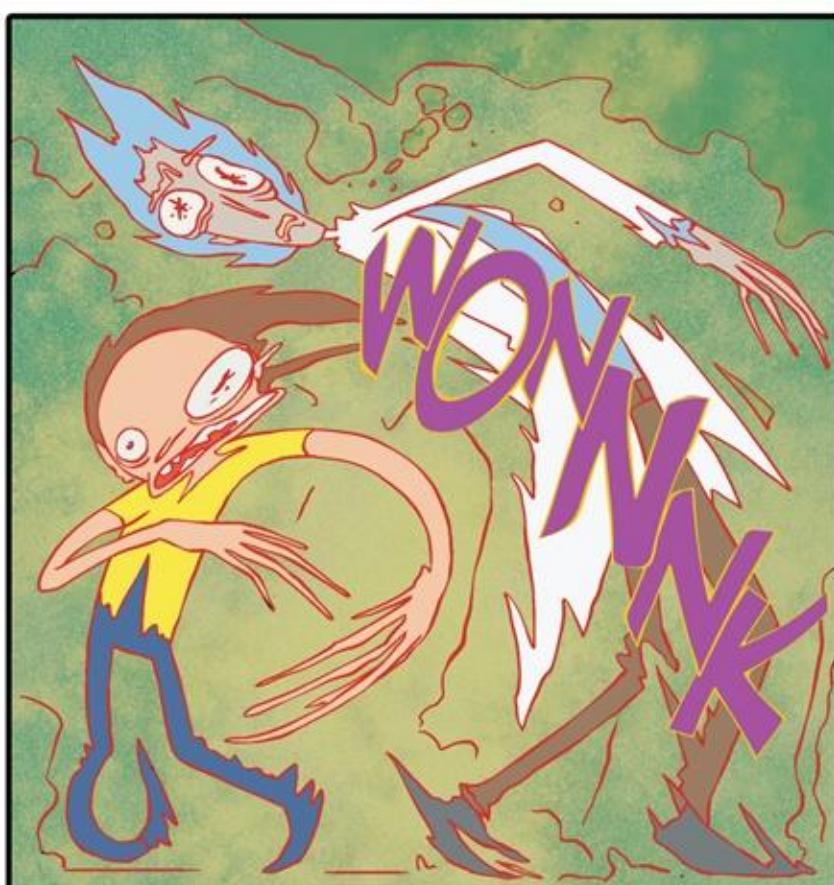
THAT'S THE POINT! OF COURSE THEY'RE COMING BACK!

WE WOULDN'T BE INSIDE THIS HEAD IF THEY WEREN'T COMING BACK!

YOU DON'T SEND THIS MUCH FIREPOWER UNLESS YOU WANT SOMETHING REALLY BAD! BUT WHAT, MORTY? I CAN'T SEE WHAT! AND YOU'RE NOT EXACTLY A BUNDLE OF IDEAS RIGHT NOW!

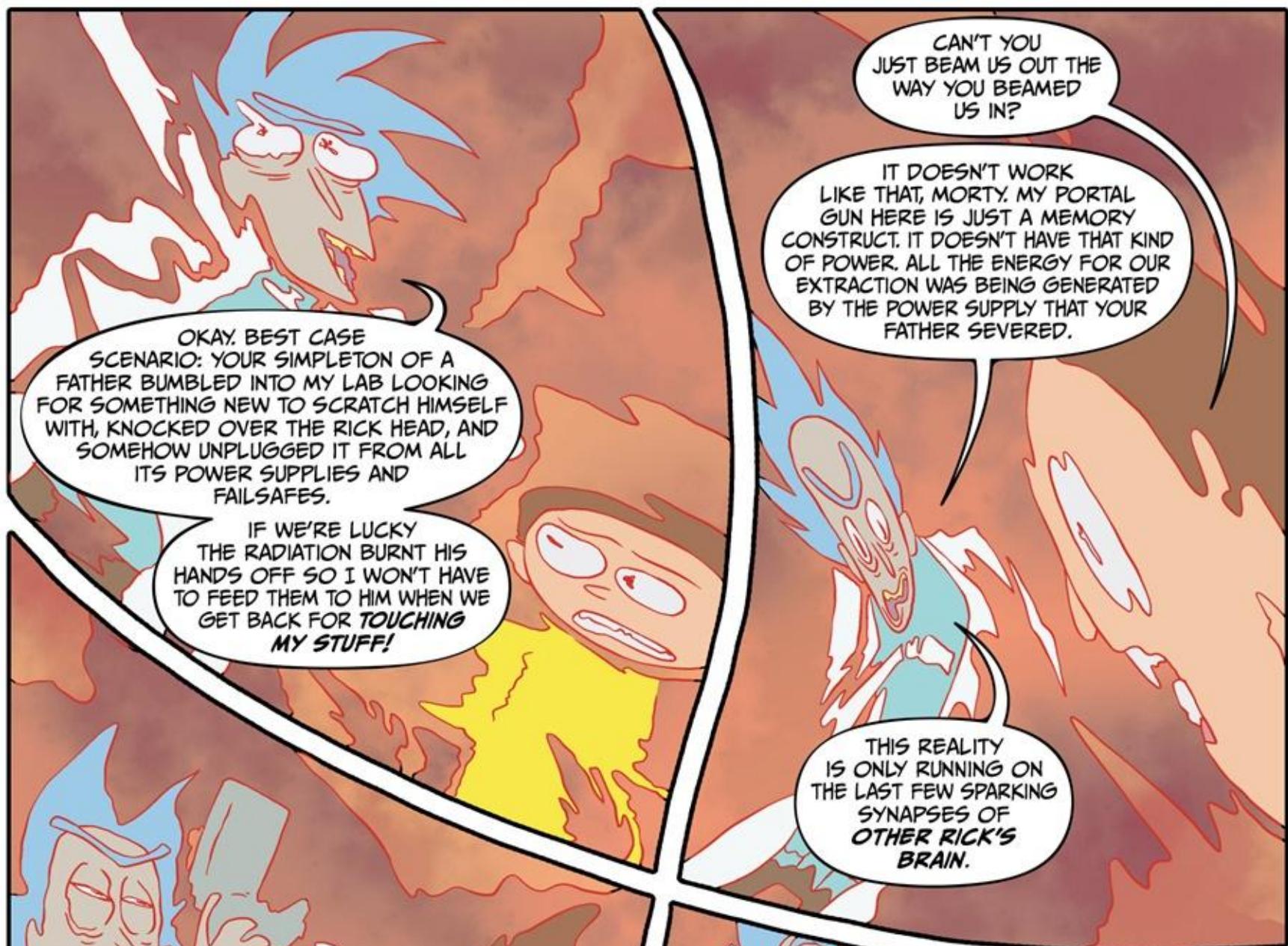
THAT'S NOT FAIR, RICK! YOU-- YOU DRAG ME AROUND WITHOUT TELLING ME ANYTHING. QUADRATIC INFUSED WHATEVER!

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THE BIG BRAIN HERE, THE BIG S-SUPERHERO! IF YOU'RE SO BIG WHAT IF IT'S SOMETHING Y--







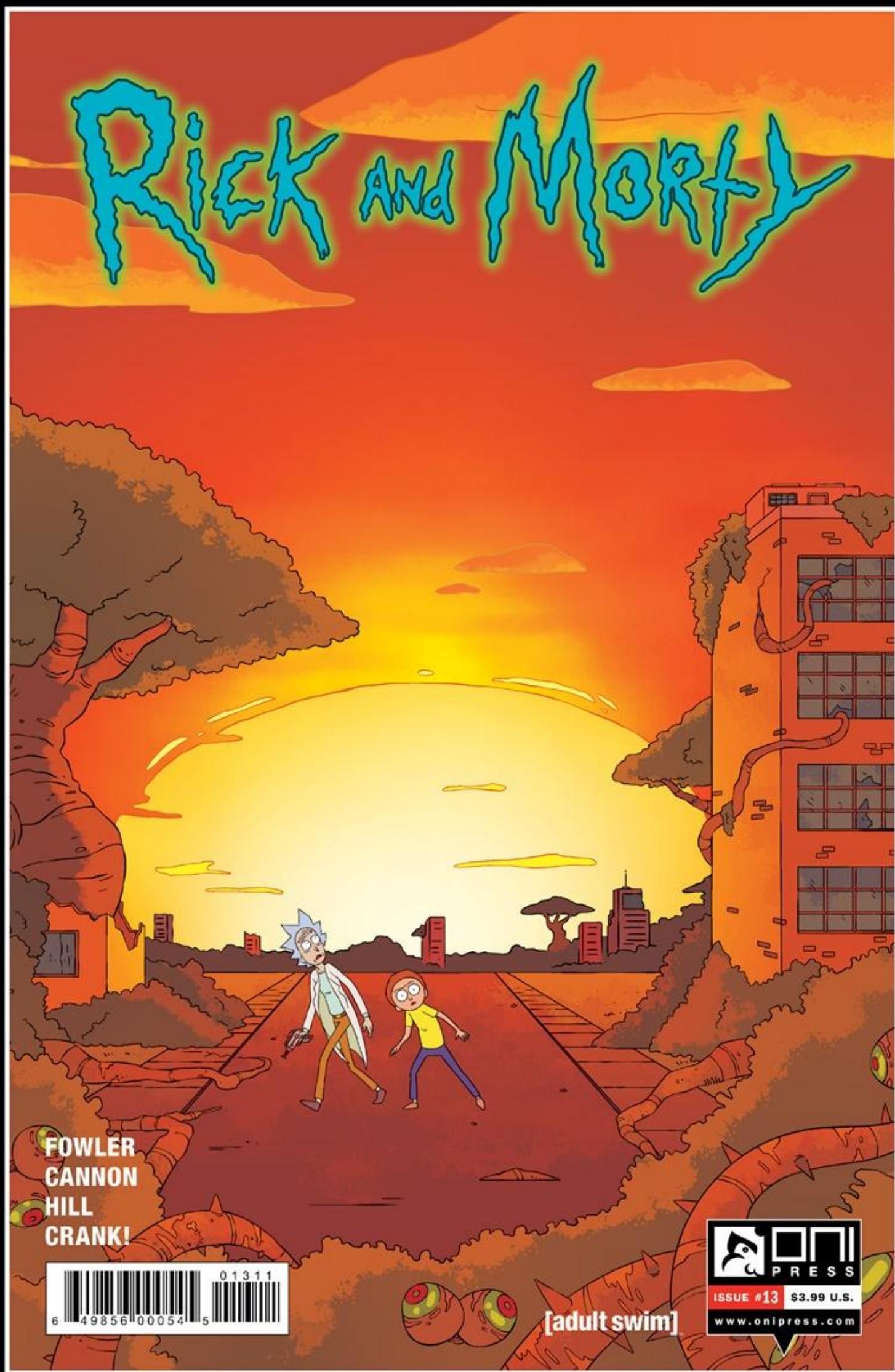




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# TESTIMONIAL WITH...



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## HELLO READERS!

You've made it to the end of the comic, and do you know what that means? It's time for the second installment of Oni Press's monthly editorial! Publicity coordinator Rachel here to tell you what I'm excited about this month!

My interests currently include: talking about Star Wars, reading about Star Wars, drawing Star Wars fanart, and nothing else. Please join me in collectively screaming about how awesome *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* is. Rey. Finn. Poe. Kylo Ren. Maz. Han. Leia. BB-8. Captain Phasma. LET ME JUST ROLL YOU ALL IN A BALL AND HUG YOU.

You know what else I'm excited about? COMICS. There's a bunch of comics I'm SUUUUPER excited to talk about that are on sale this month! First up is the debut of *Another Castle* by Andrew Wheeler and Paulina Ganucheau. The art is soooo pretty and the story is so much fun. I just want to dress up like a rad princess while reading this! (OK, let's be honest, I probably will.) This month also marks the debut of Tom Fowler as the new series writer for our *Rick and Morty* comic! Meanwhile, Dave Crosland continues to KILL IT as new series artist for our *Invader Zim* comic. I like to refer to him as "the album artist for that Gym Class Heroes album." You know the one, right?

I'm also looking forward to next month for several reasons, including the debut of *The Mighty Zodiac* by J. Torres and Corin Howell with Maarta Laiho! When the Blue Dragon dies, six stars fall out of the night sky! Ailing Master Long, leader of the Mighty Zodiac, orders his warriors to gather the stars, lest they fall into the hands of the malevolent Moon Rabbit Army. The saga begins April 6th!

Seriously, look at the gorgeous art below. I'm pretty sure Corin Howell and Maarta Laiho are wizards.

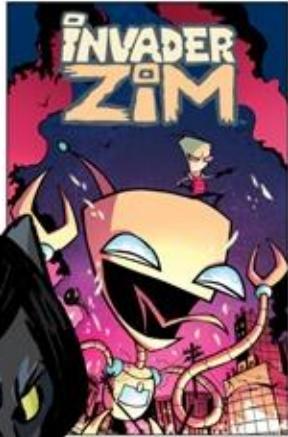
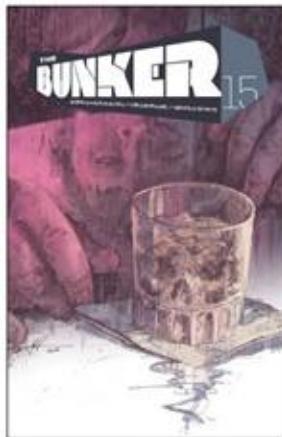
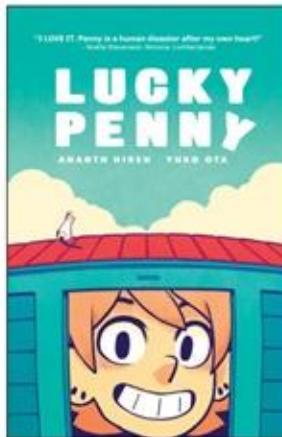
And finally, also debuting next month is *Heartthrob*, a new series about bank heists and thieving hearts from writer Christopher Sebela, artist Robert Wilson IV, and colorist Nick Filardi. It's kind of like *Bonnie & Clyde* meets *Fight Club*, if Jack was Jane, and Jane made out with Tyler Durden a bunch.

We're super excited for you to check out all these amazing titles, so pick them up from your friendly neighborhood comics retailer, and let us know what you think!

See ya in April (and visit us at WonderCon in Los Angeles, March 25-27, Booth #1817)!,

Rachel  
Publicity Coordinator

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ART FROM THE MIGHTY ZODIAC BY CORIN HOWELL & MAARTA LAIHO

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