

DEAR HEATHER,



THE SUMMER I'D GRADUATED AND STARTED WORKING
WAS THE FIRST TIME I'D FLOWN.

I THINK I MAY HAVE JITTERED IN MY CHAIR FOR THE
WHOLE THREE HOUR FLIGHT





THIS WAS THE START OF MY ADULT LIFE!

NEW INDEPENDENCE! NEW FRIENDS! NEW WORK! MAYBE
EVEN A PET?!

TURNS OUT, MAKING FRIENDS IS REALLY HARD

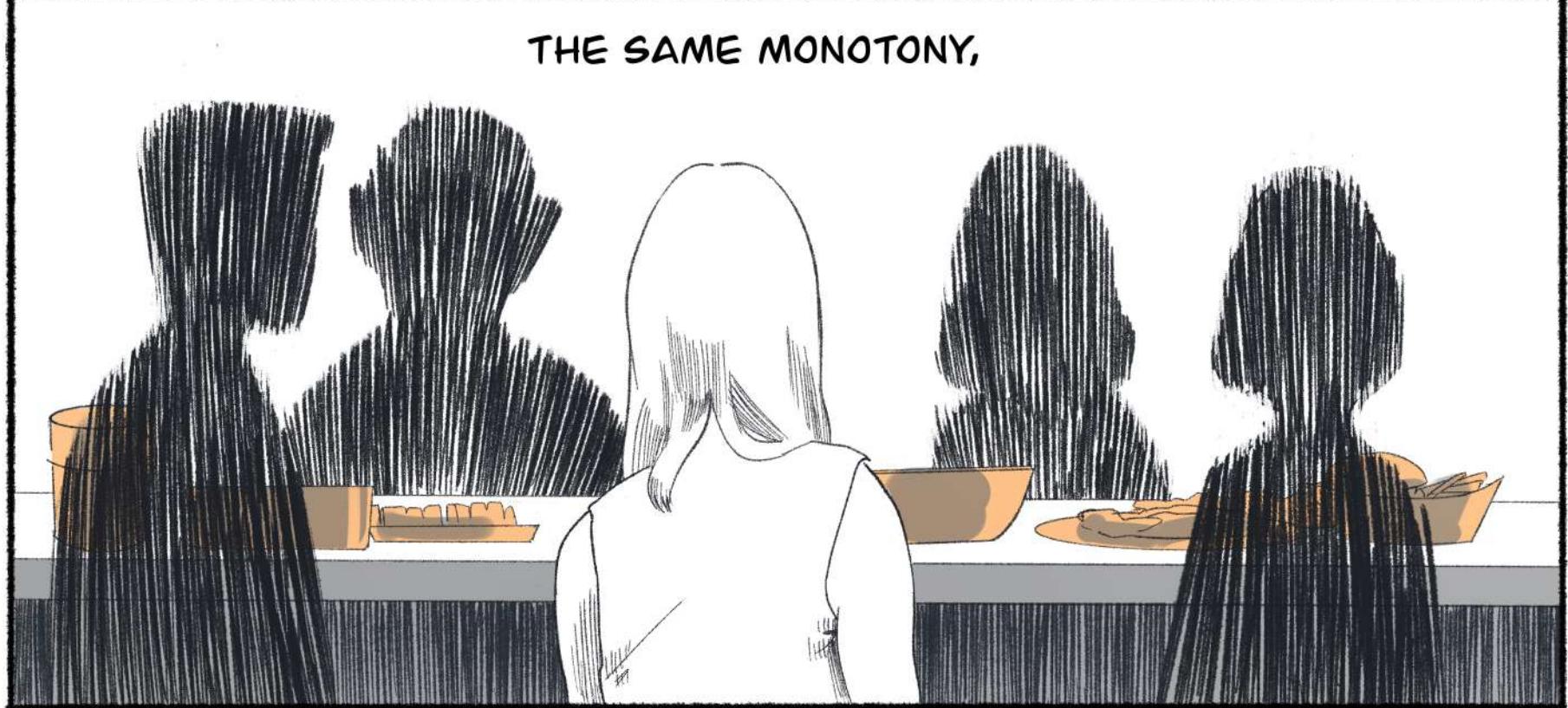
AND KEEPING THEM WITH A JOB WITH LOTS OF RELOCATION IS EVEN HARDER

LIFE WAS EXHAUSTING.

EVERY DAY WAS THE SAME.



THE SAME MONOTONY,







I LIKE POTATO
AND KALE SOUP



THE SAME SOLITUDE,

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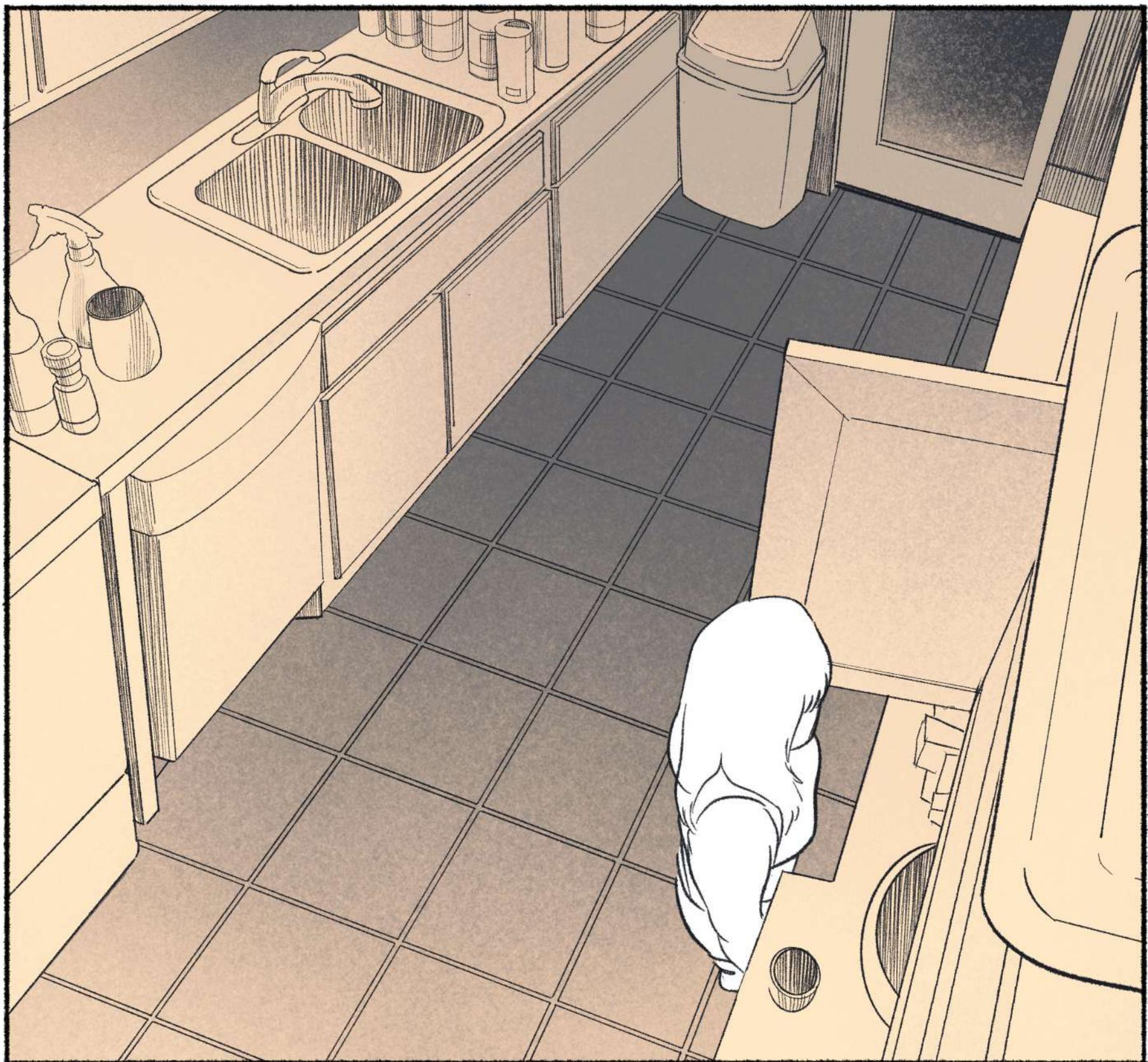
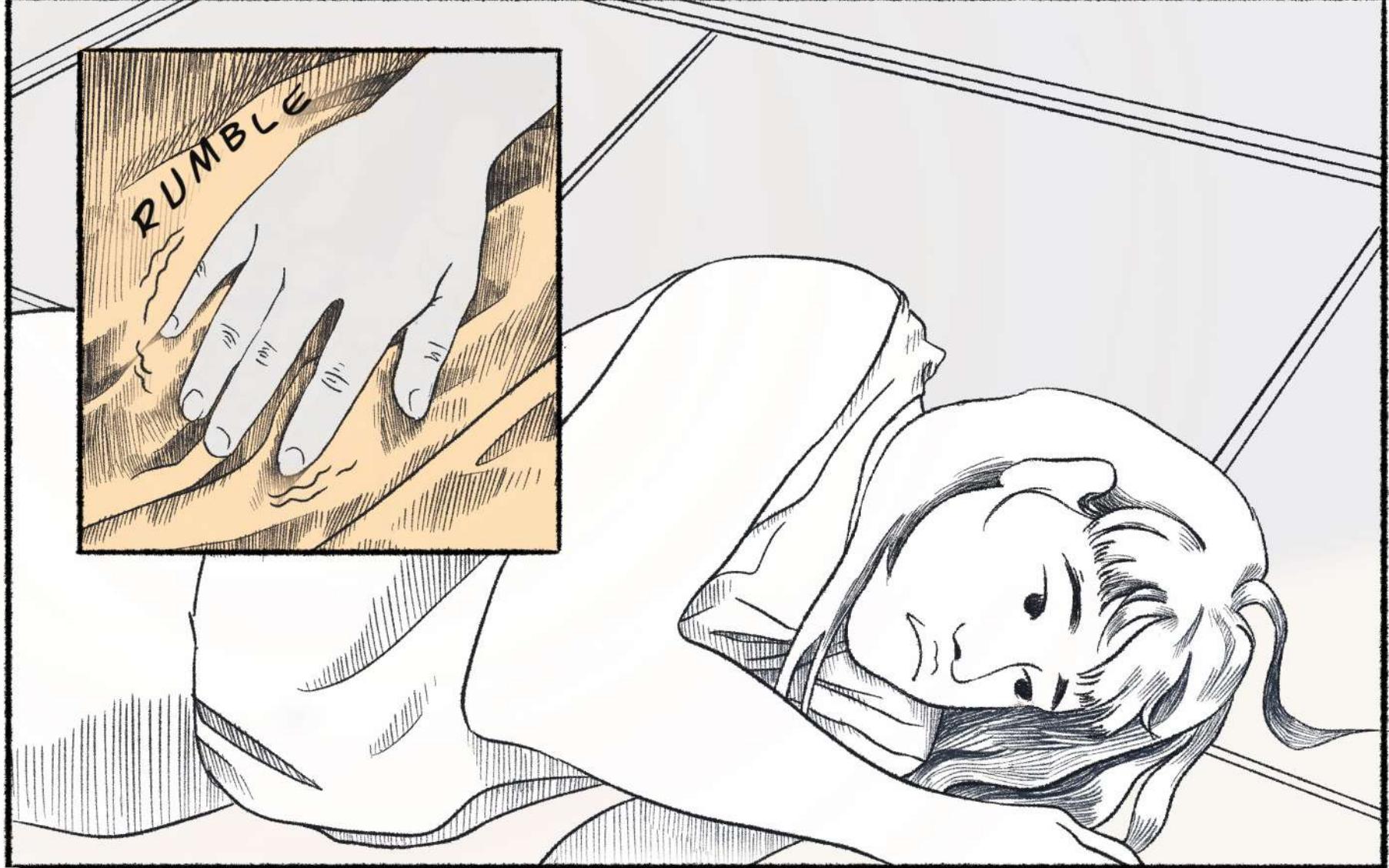


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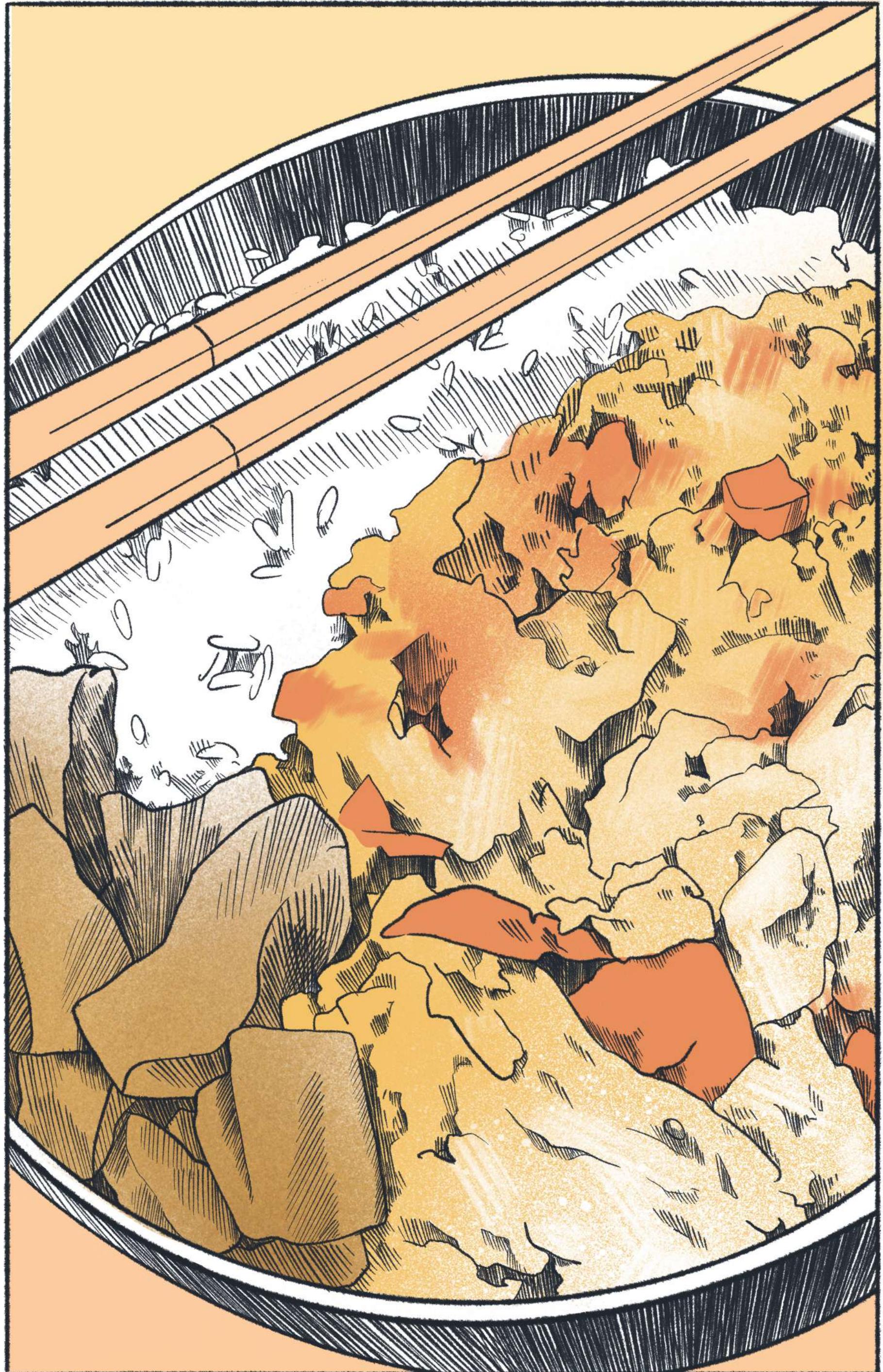


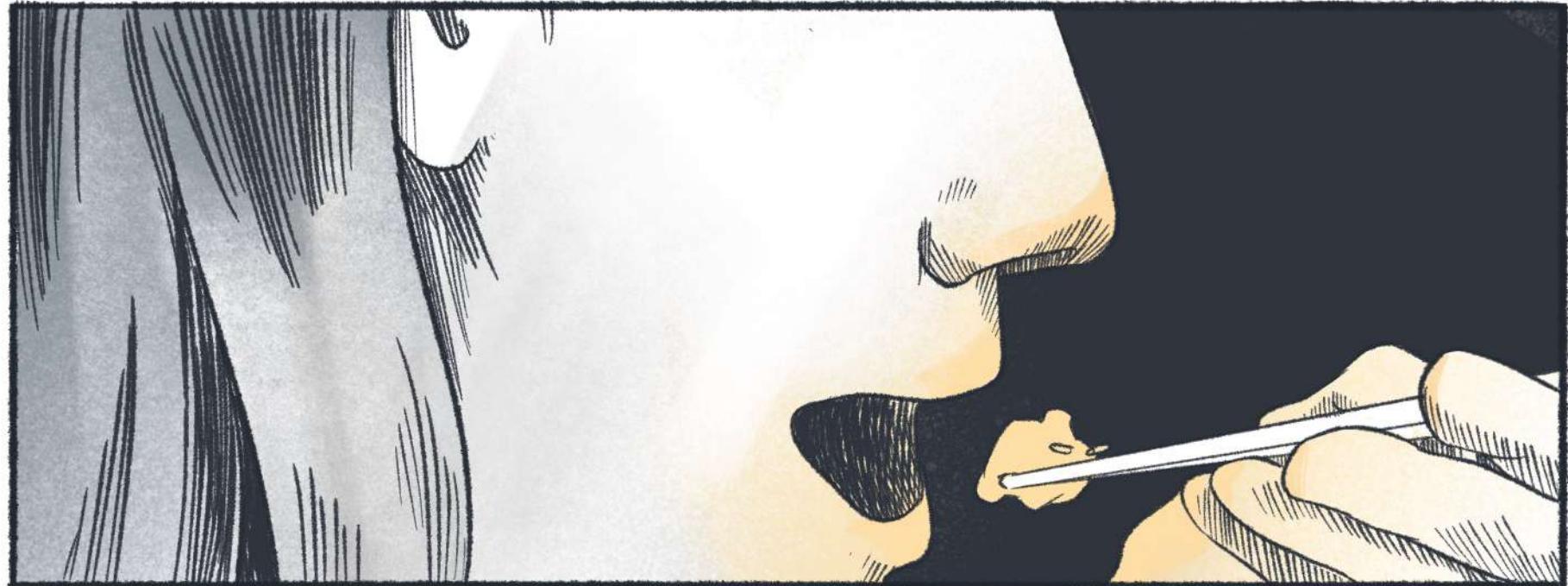
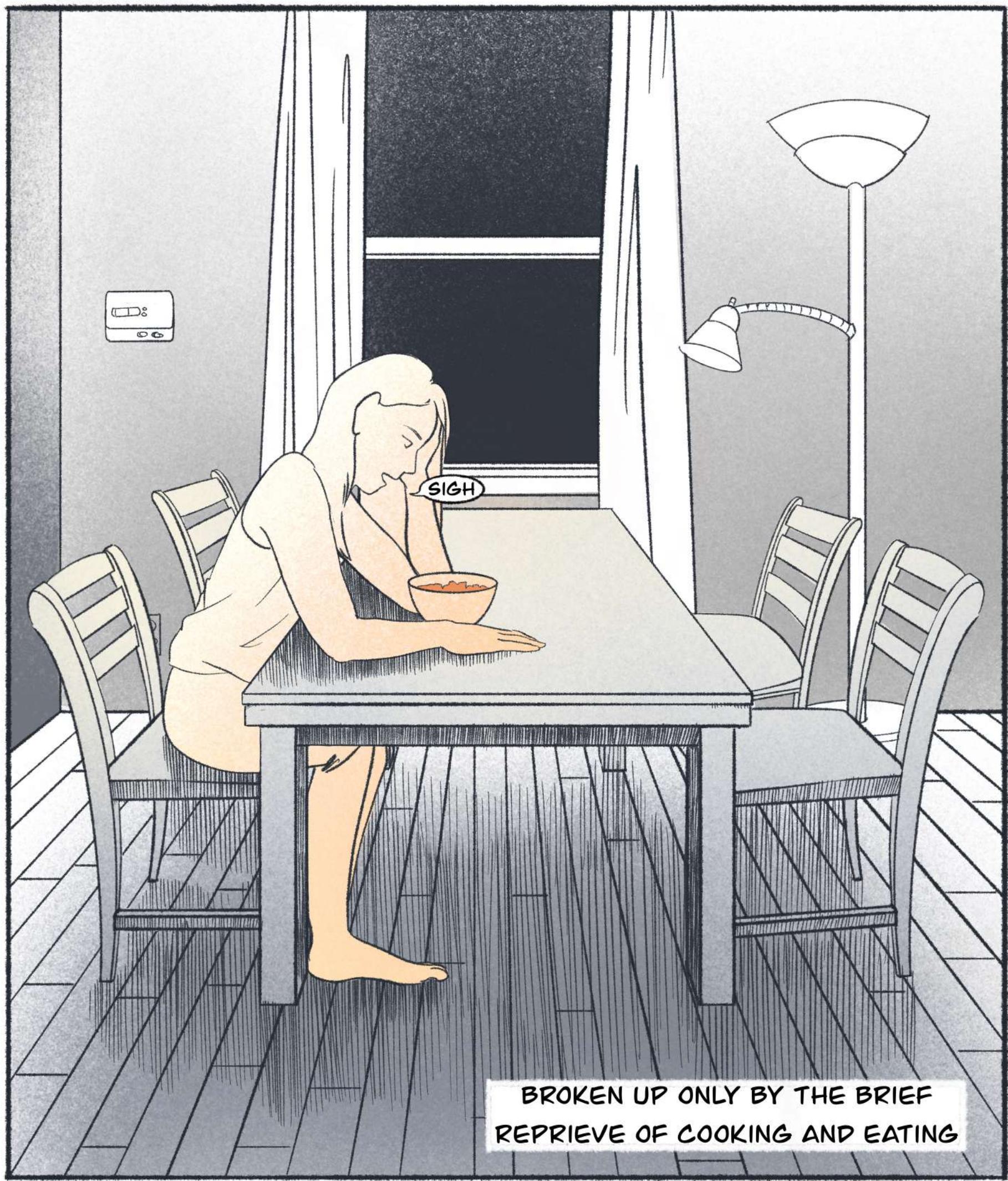
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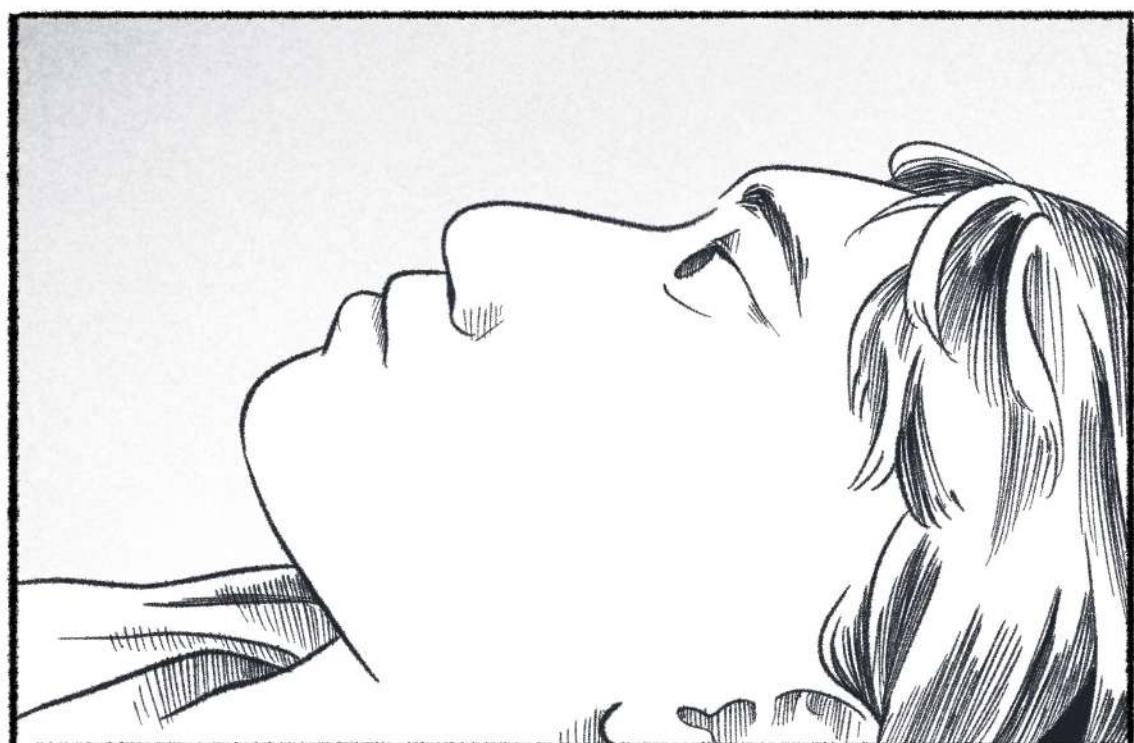
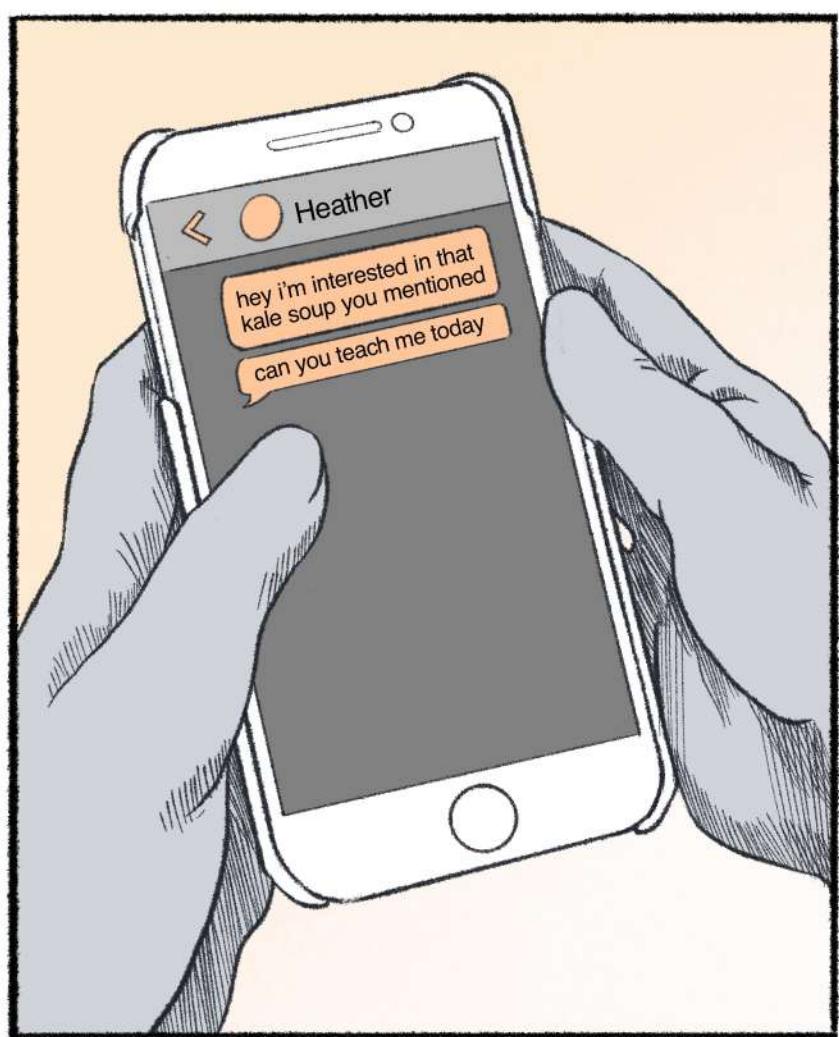
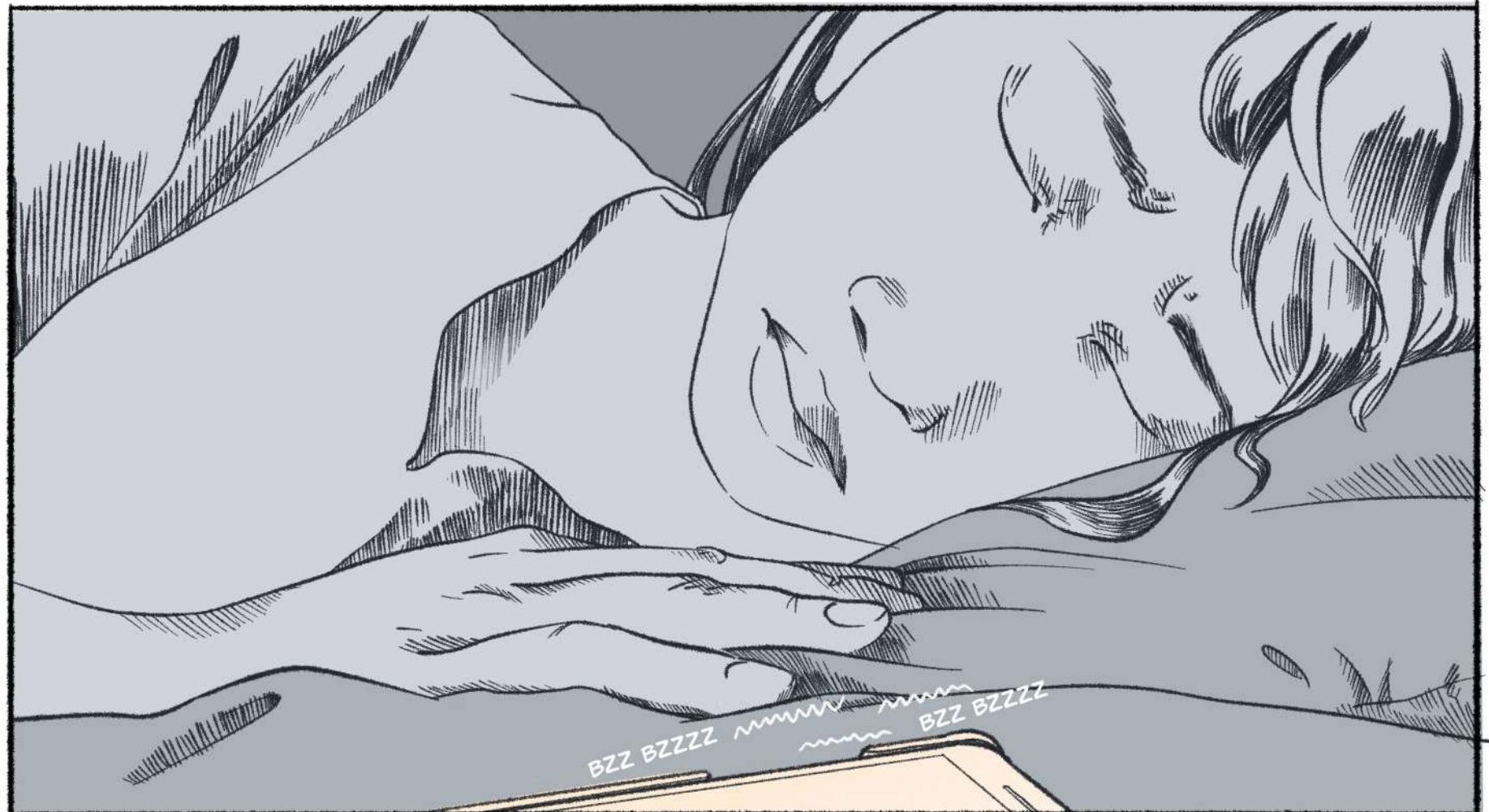












~~Umm... today is kind of sudden~~

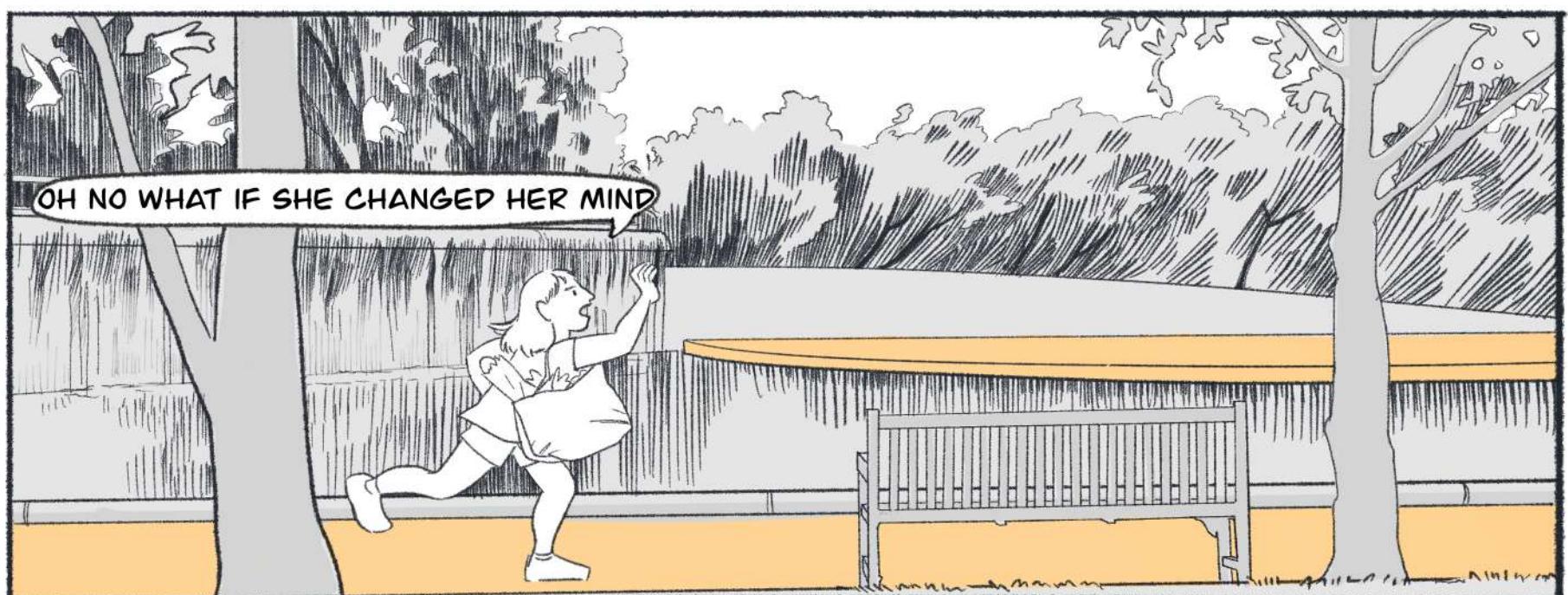
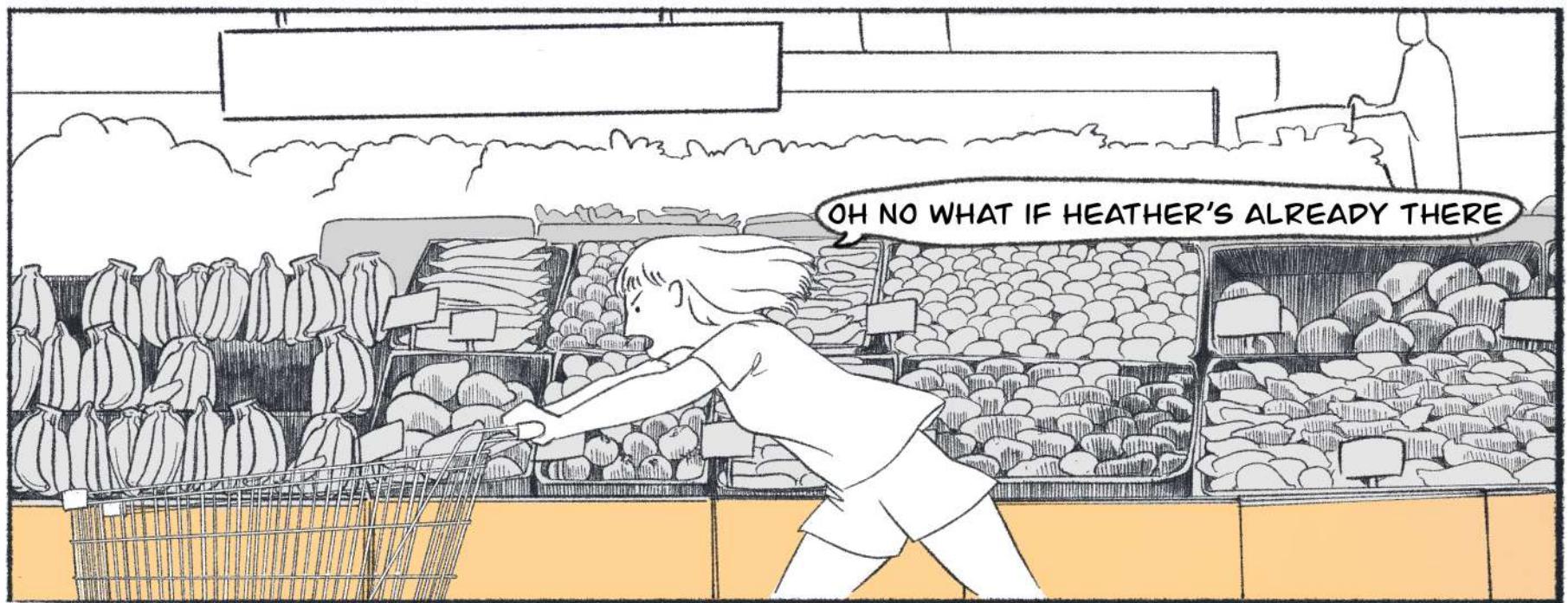
~~Are you sure?~~

~~I'm really awkward I'm not a good teacher. I can link you a recipe?~~

~~If I say no for today would you still be willing to come over another day?~~

~~It's just a soup I like; I wouldn't want to disappoint you if you don't like it~~





DING DONG!
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HEY JOANNE!

HUFF...

PLEASE... COME ON IN

SORRY FOR THE MESS, I DON'T
HAVE GUESTS OFTEN

HAVE YOU COOKED BEFORE?

SORRY, IS THAT TOO NOSY?

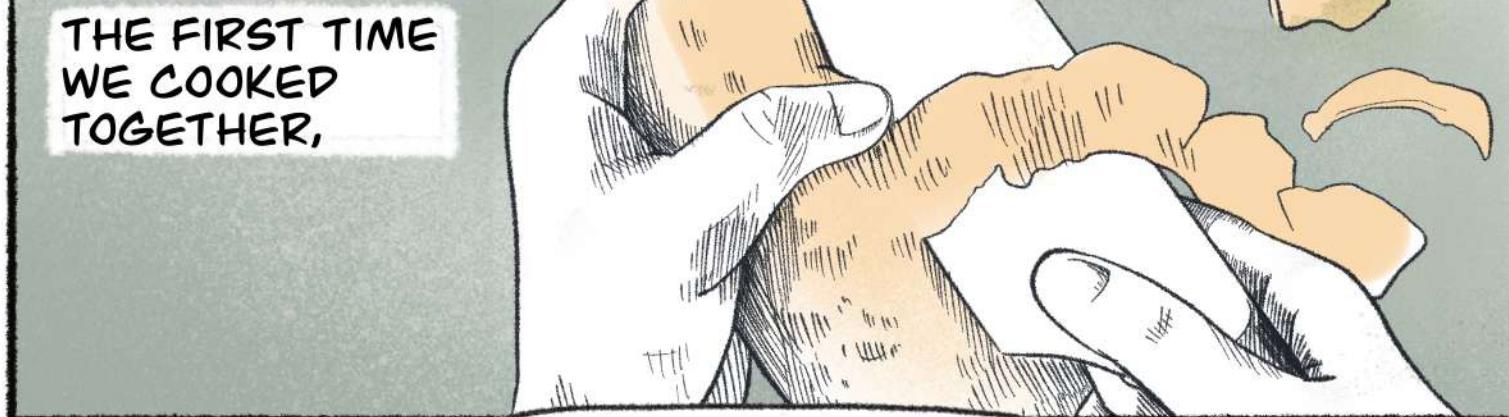
IT'S FINE. I HAVE
A LITTLE

HOPE YOU LIKE
THE SOUP

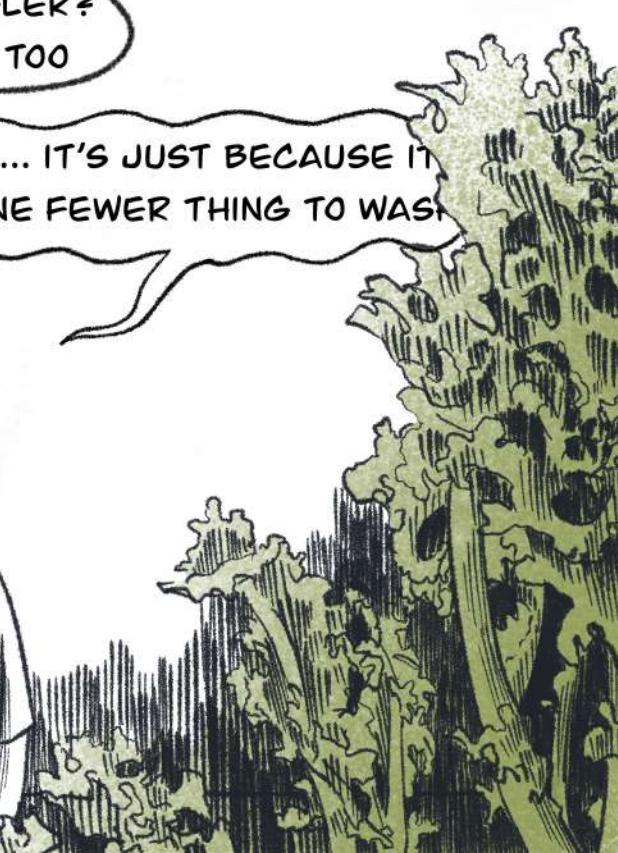
SORRY FOR THE
MESS. DID I SAY
THAT ALREADY?



I'LL TRY



AH... IT'S JUST BECAUSE IT
ONE FEWER THING TO WASH



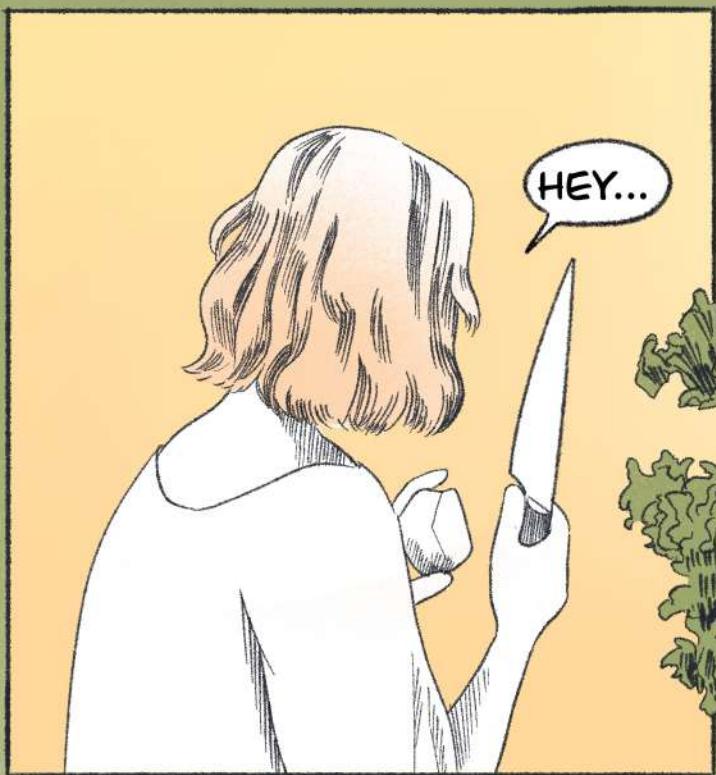
"AM I BEING TOO AWKWARD?"

"SHOULD I MAKE SMALL TALK?"

"WHAT DO PEOPLE EVEN TALK ABOUT?"

SUCH THOUGHTS TORMENTED ME ENDLESSLY.



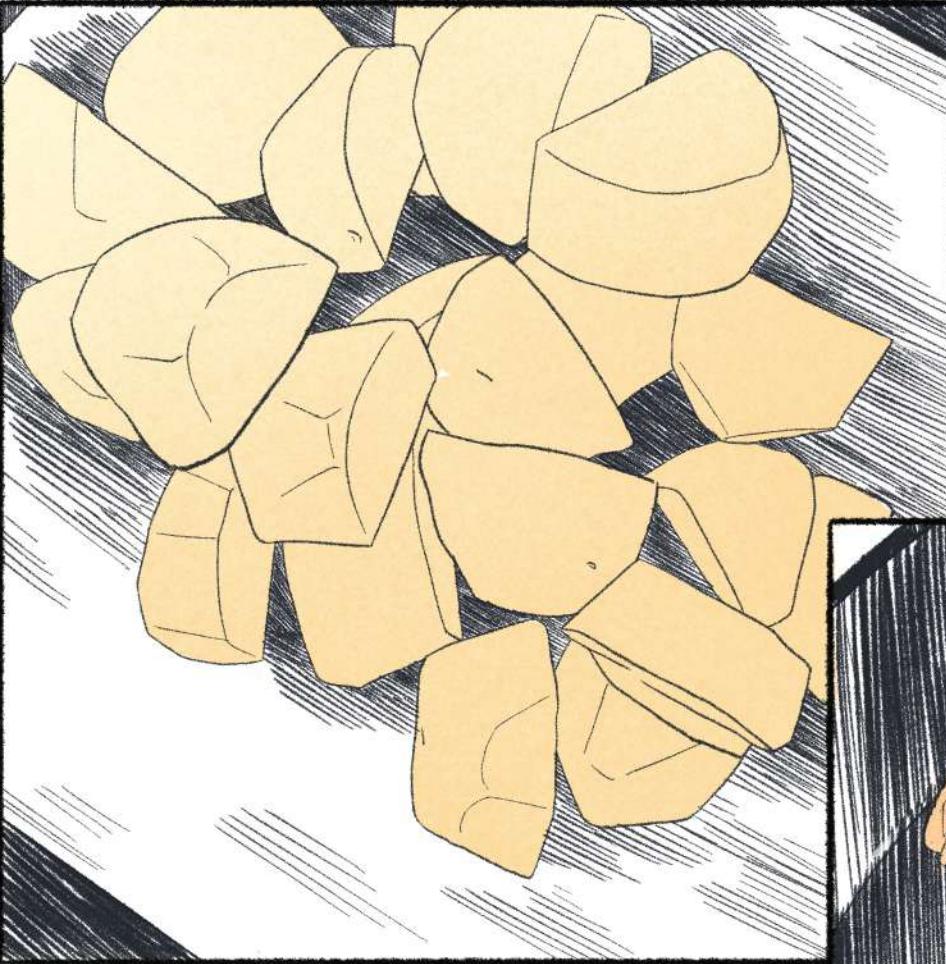


DID I PEEL THIS RIGHT?

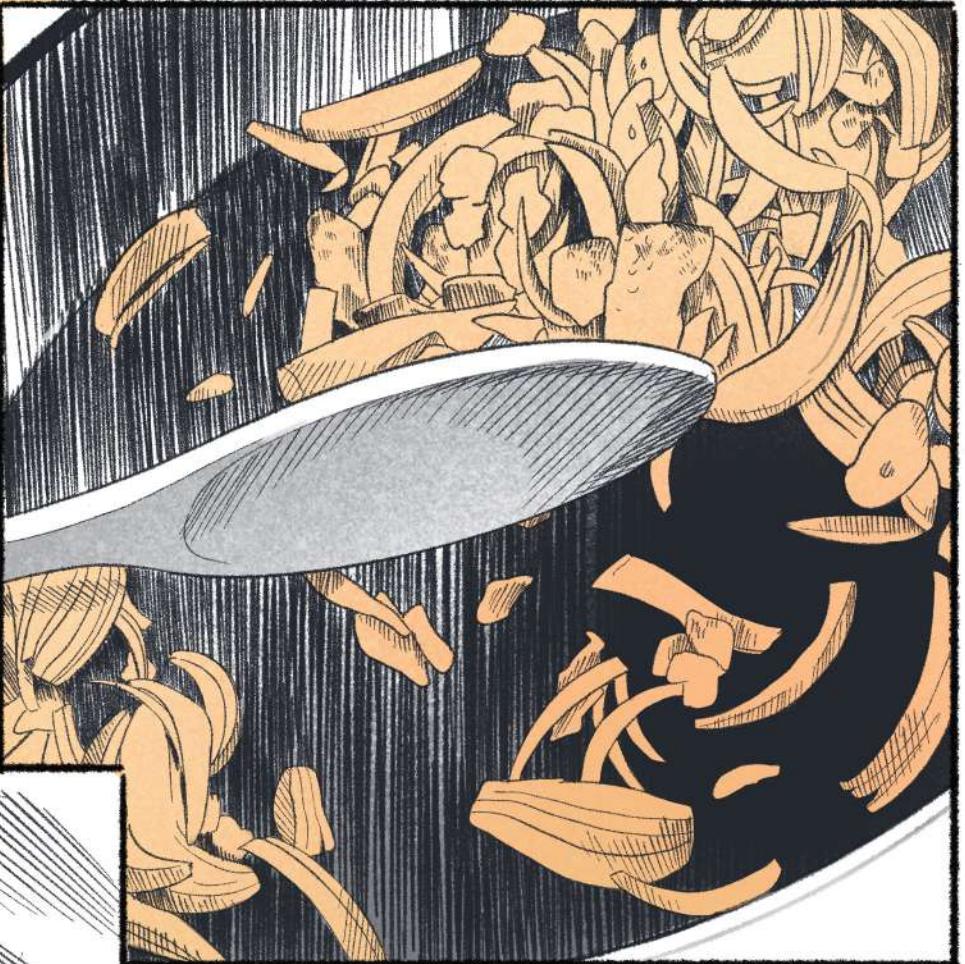
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BUT WITHOUT EVEN TRYING, YOU BLEW
ALL OF THAT AWAY IN AN INSTANT





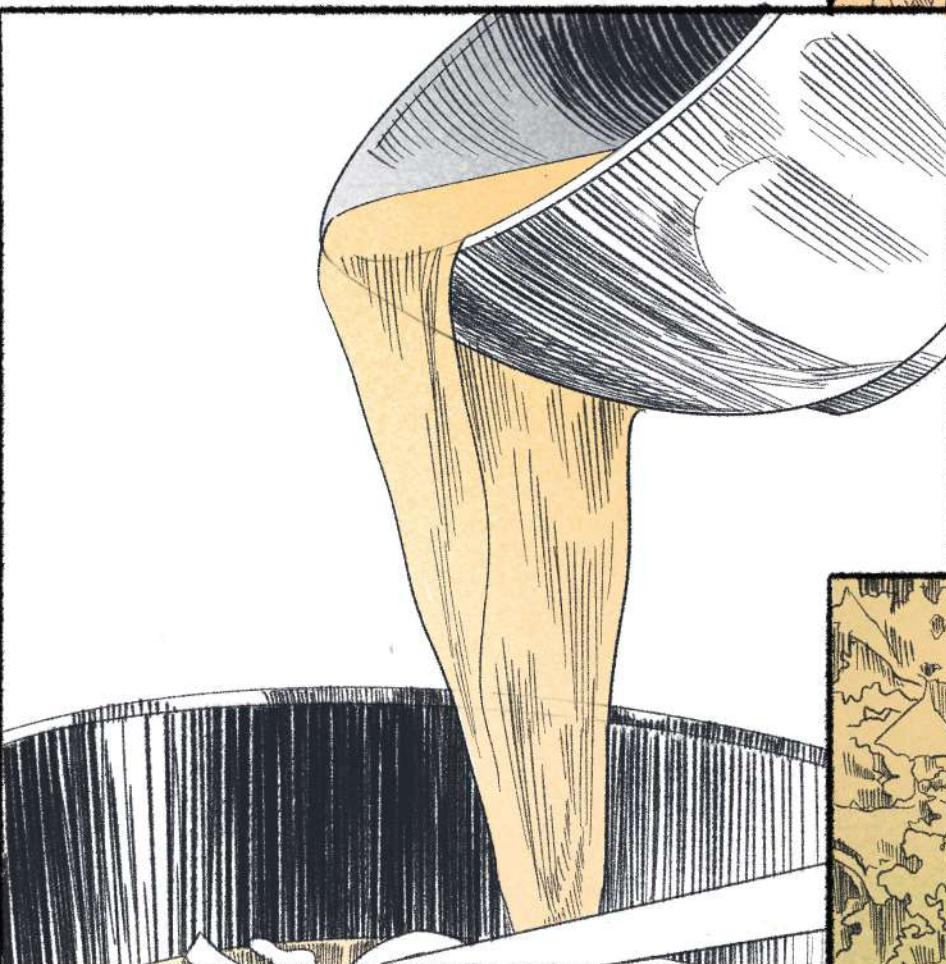
SO NOW WITH THE
PEELING DONE LET'S
CHOP THE POTATOES!



COOK THE BACON UNTIL THE
OIL RENDERS OUT AND THEN
ADD THE ONION AND GARLIC

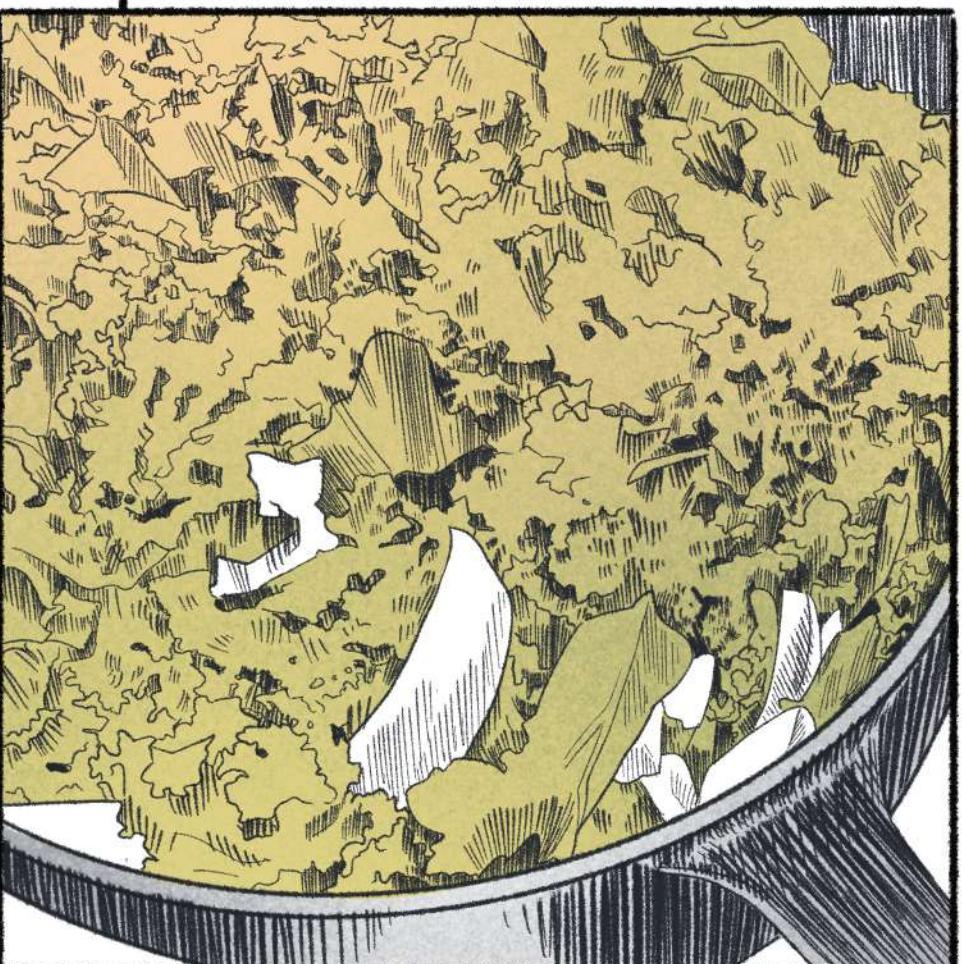


ADD CHICKEN STOCK (AKA WATER
AND BOUILLON) AND THE KALE!



HOW MUCH KALE?

AS MUCH AS YOU FEEL LIKE

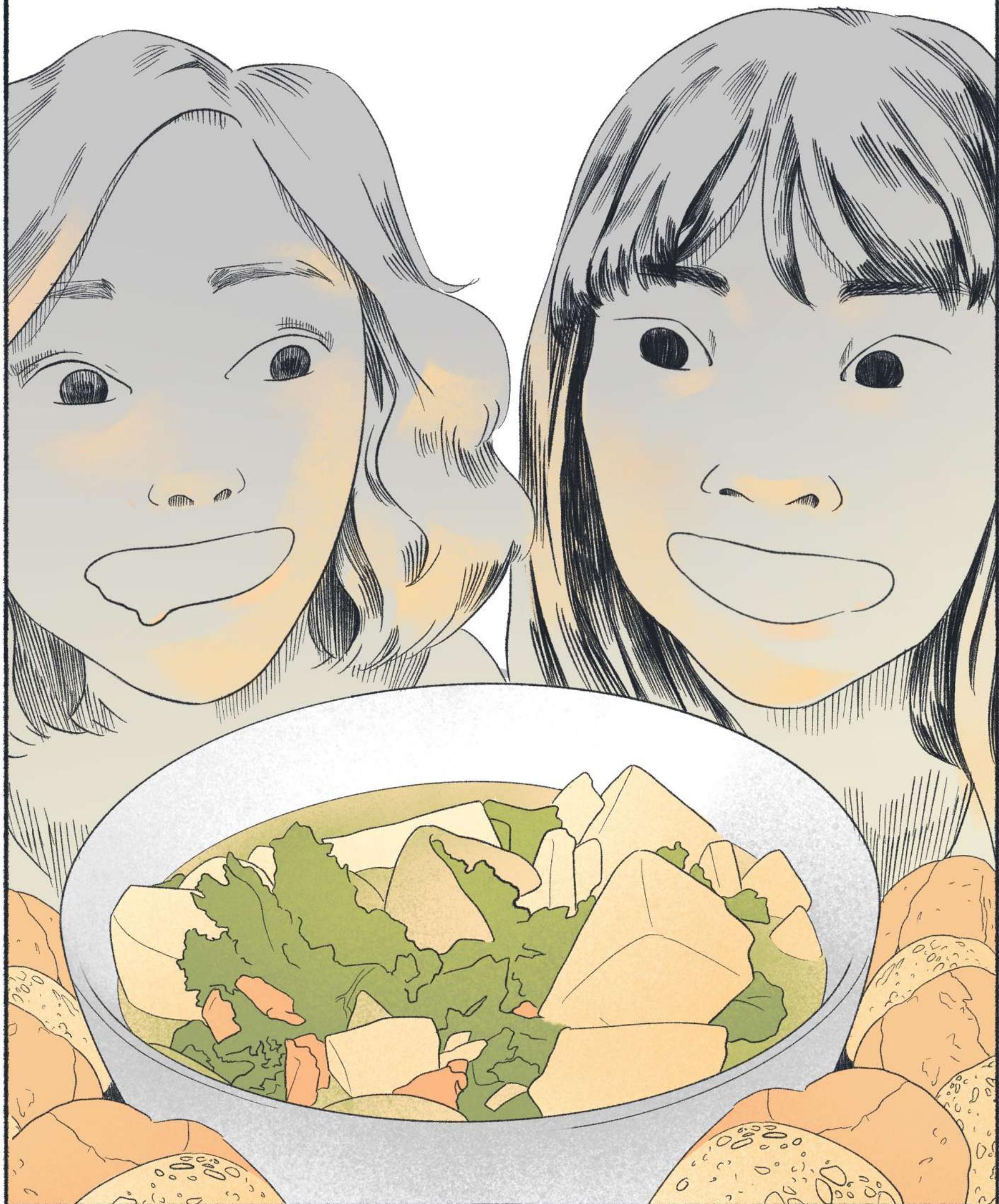


THAT'S SO MUCH KALE. THE
SOUP LOOKS SOLID

IT'LL BE FINE

SIMMER FOR HALF AN HOUR AND

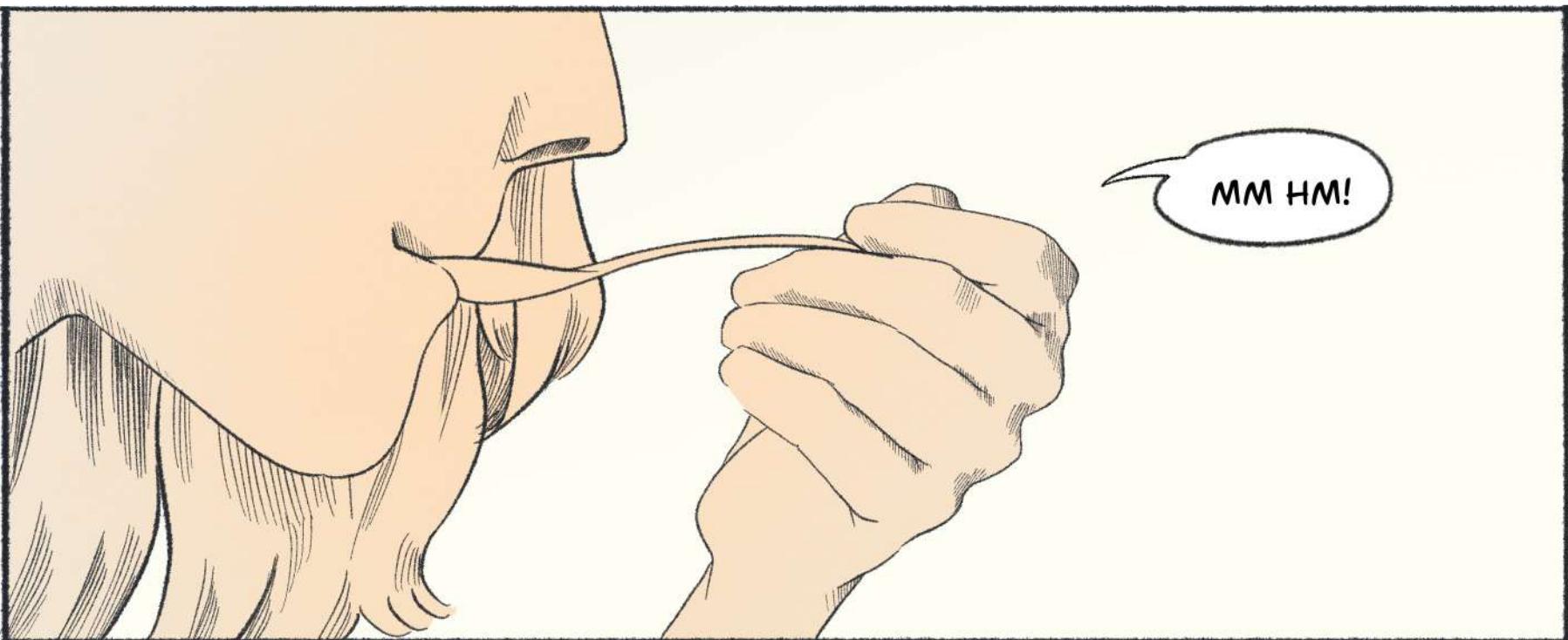
IT'S DONE!!



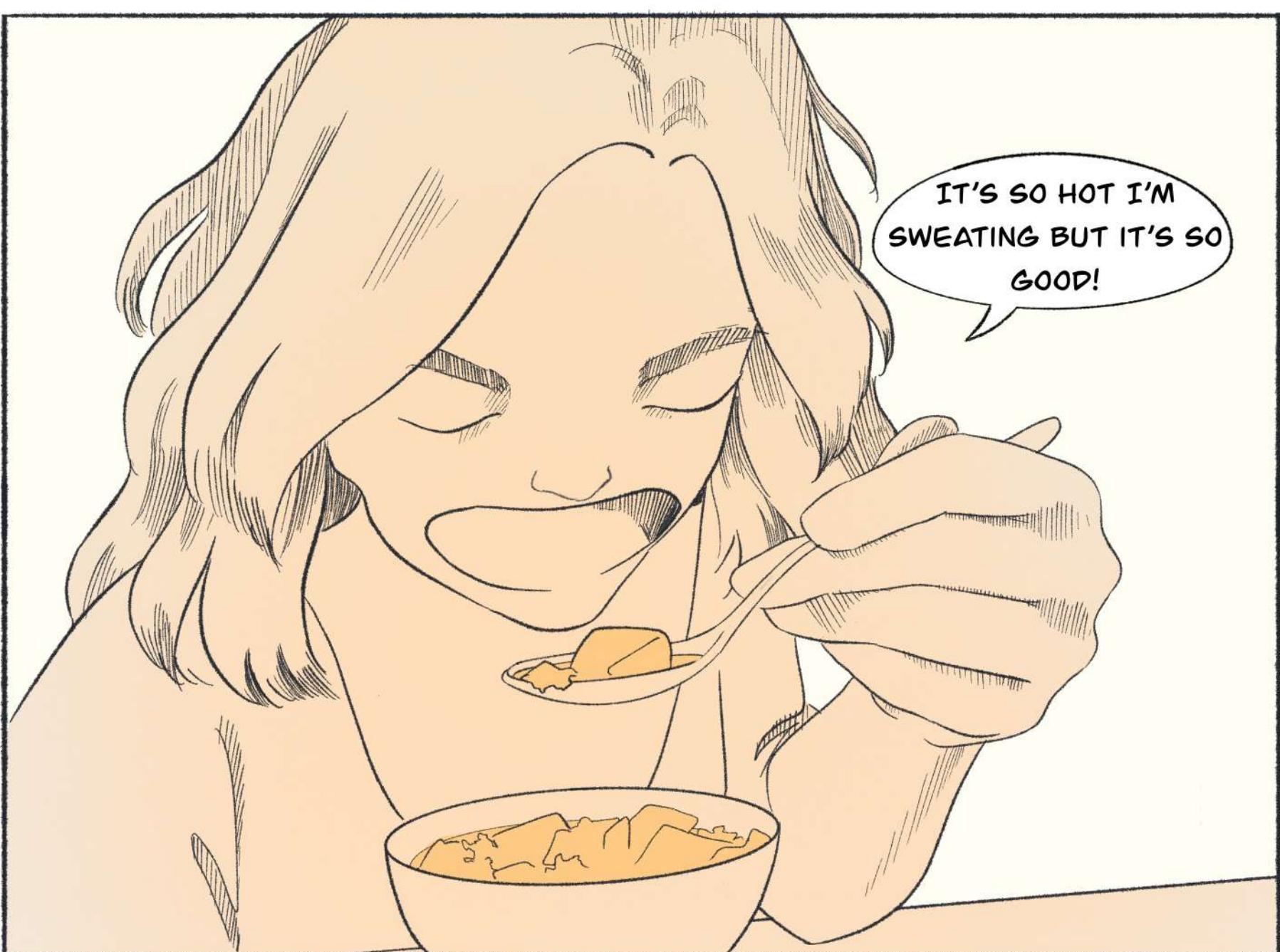
IT GOES REALLY WELL WITH
THE BREAD I BOUGHT!



MM HM!



IT'S SO HOT I'M
SWEATING BUT IT'S SO
GOOD!





THE KALE IS SO SOFT AND
IT'S NOT BITTER AT ALL

THE POTATOES MAKE
EVERYTHING SO CREAMY

THE HINT OF SMOKINESS
FROM THE BACON

THE RICHNESS OF THE
CHICKEN BROTH!



LET'S DO THIS AGAIN SOMETIME!

REALLY? YOU HAD FUN?

YEAH!