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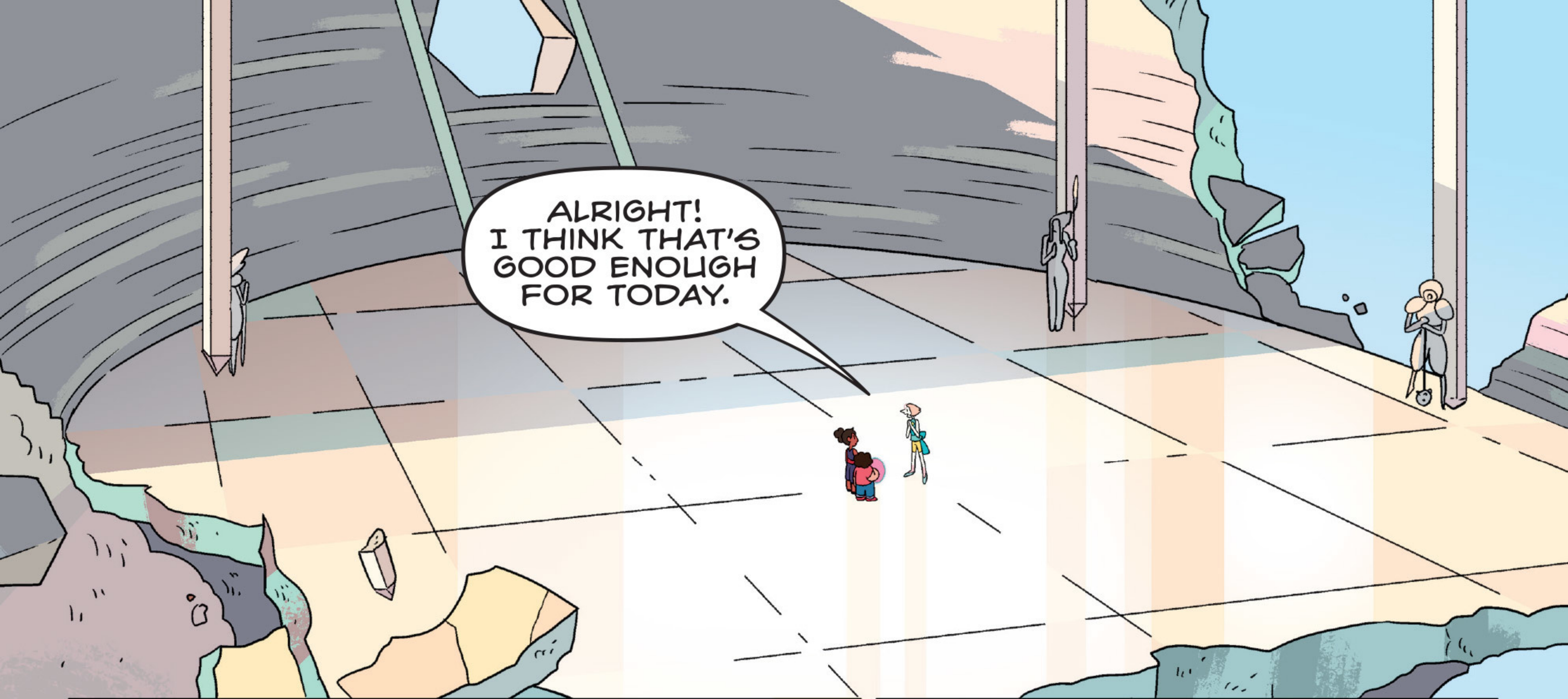
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I THINK THAT'S
GOOD ENOUGH
FOR TODAY.

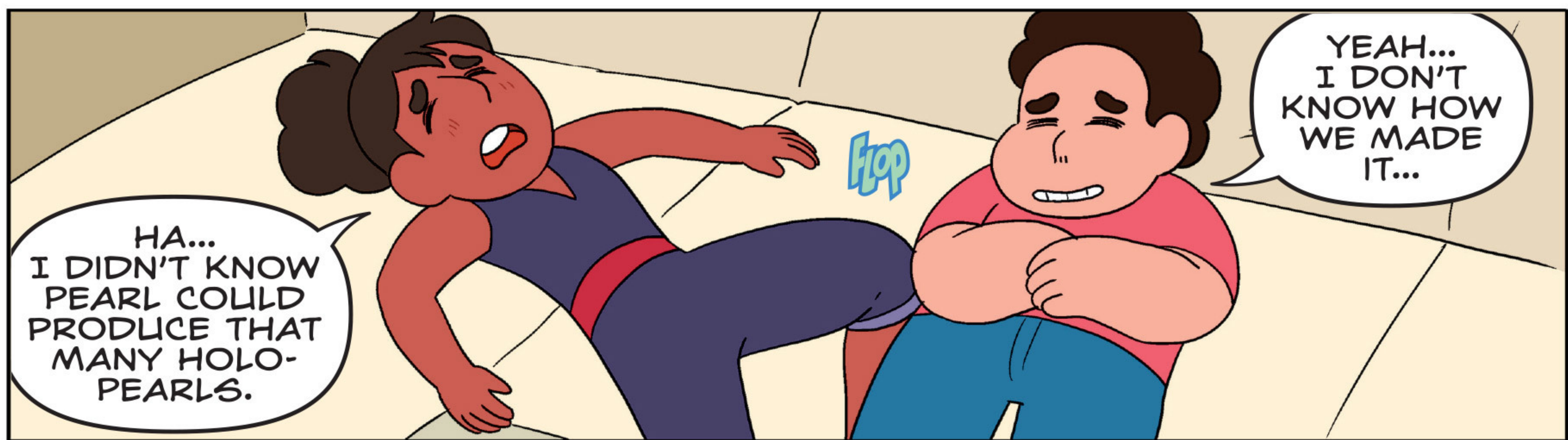


PHEW...

COME ON,
LET'S GET YOU
TWO HYDRATED
AFTER ALL
THAT HARD
WORK.



Bwooooo



HA...
I DIDN'T KNOW
PEARL COULD
PRODUCE THAT
MANY HOLO-
PEARLS.

Flop

YEAH...
I DON'T
KNOW HOW
WE MADE
IT...

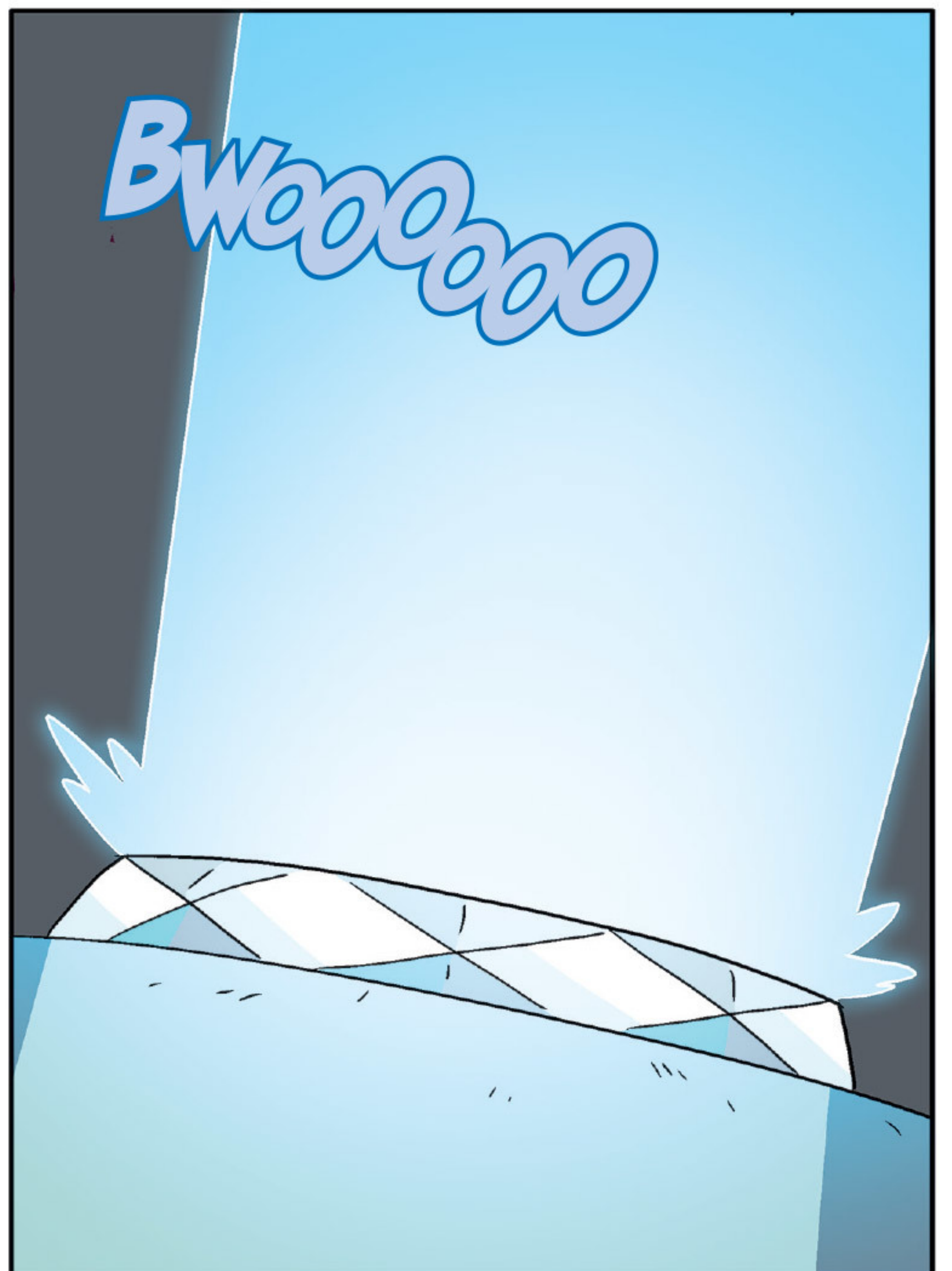
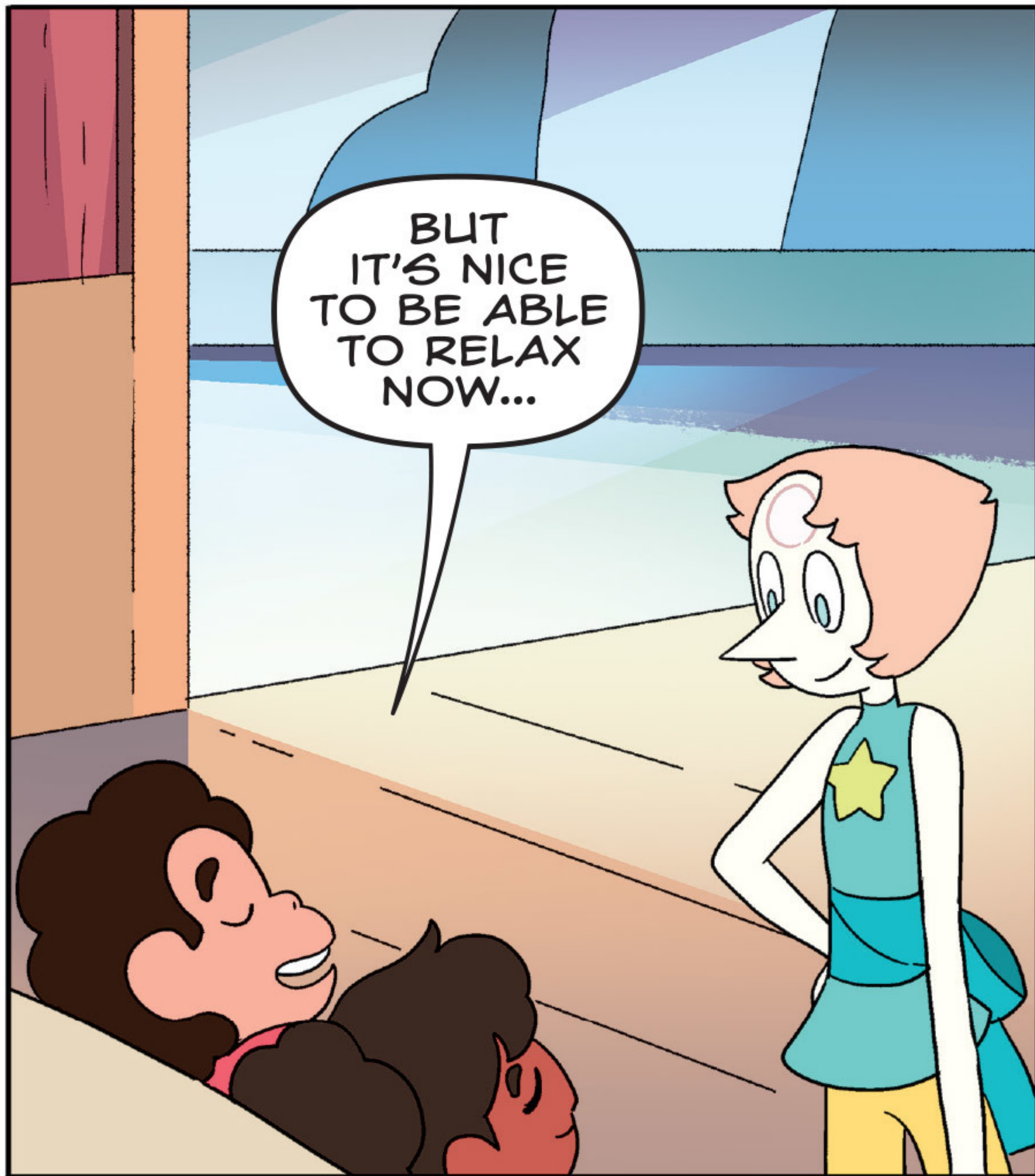
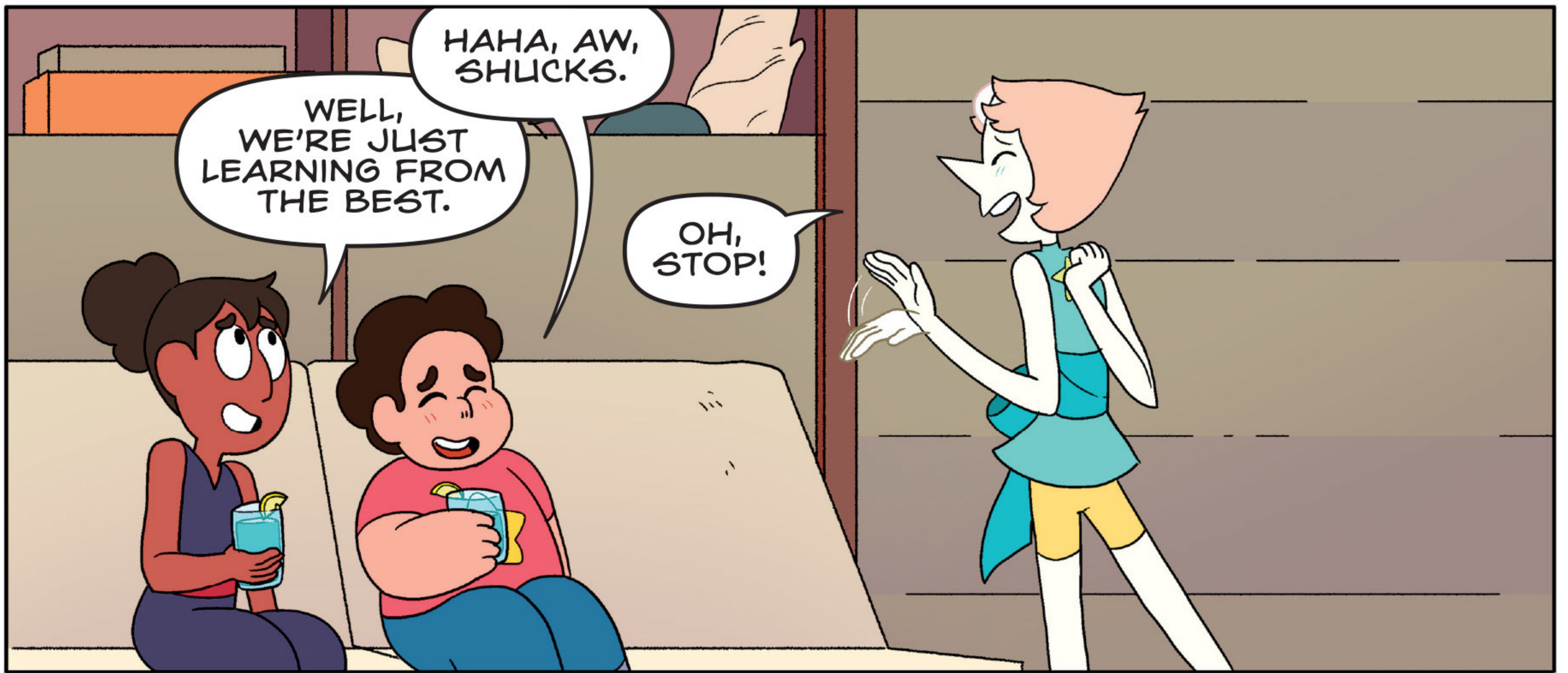


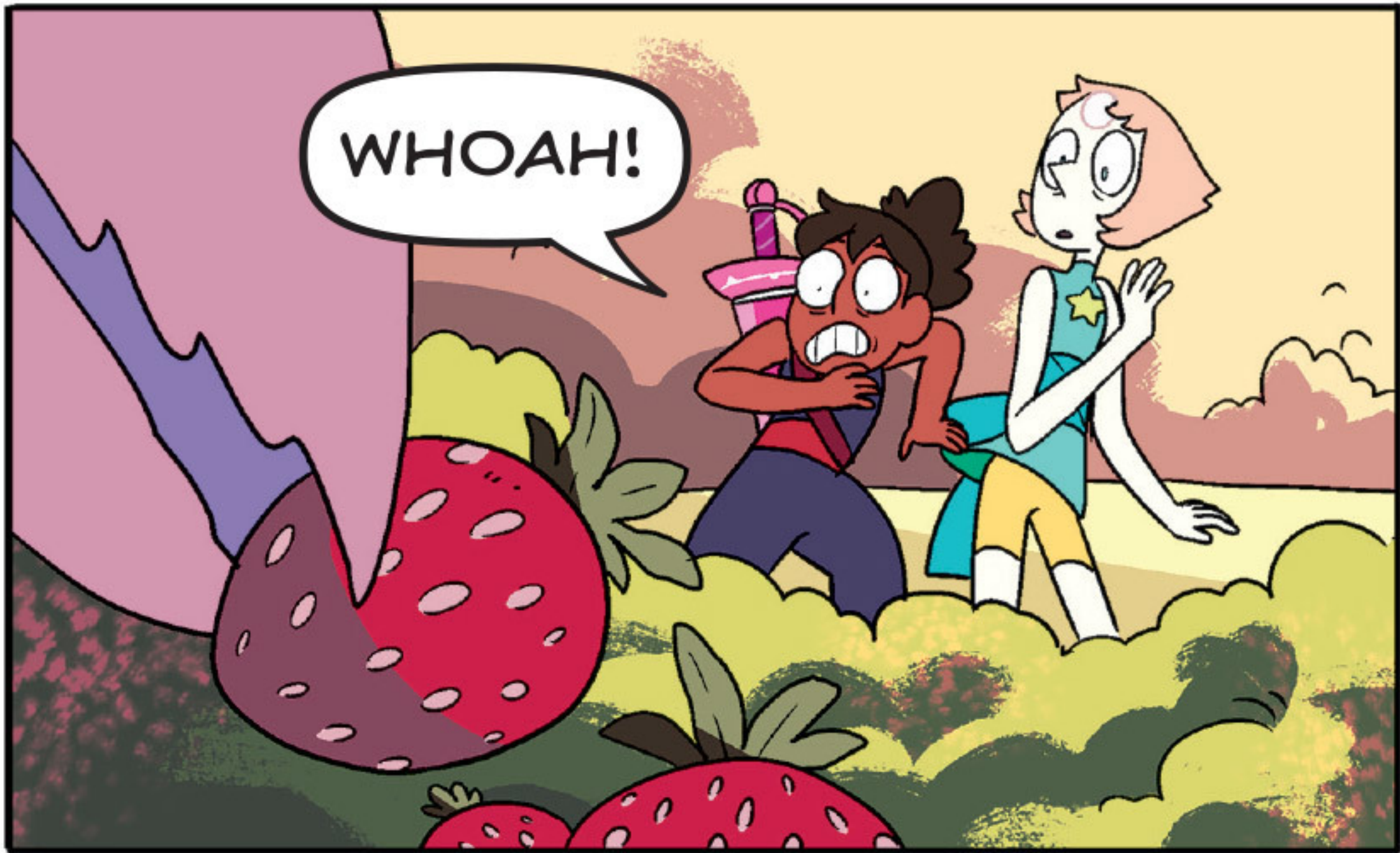
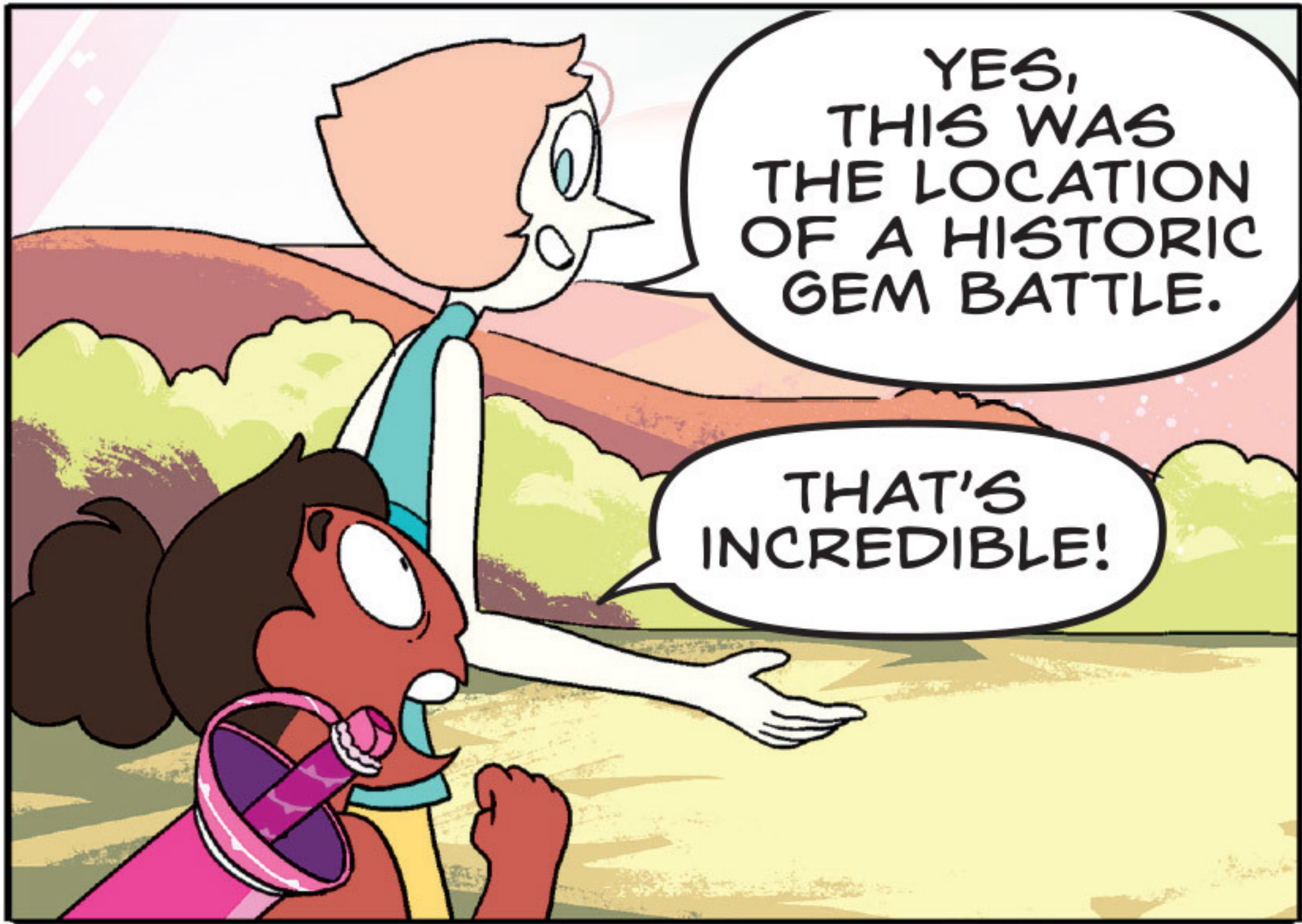
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MY LITTLE
WARRIORS,
DRINK
UP!

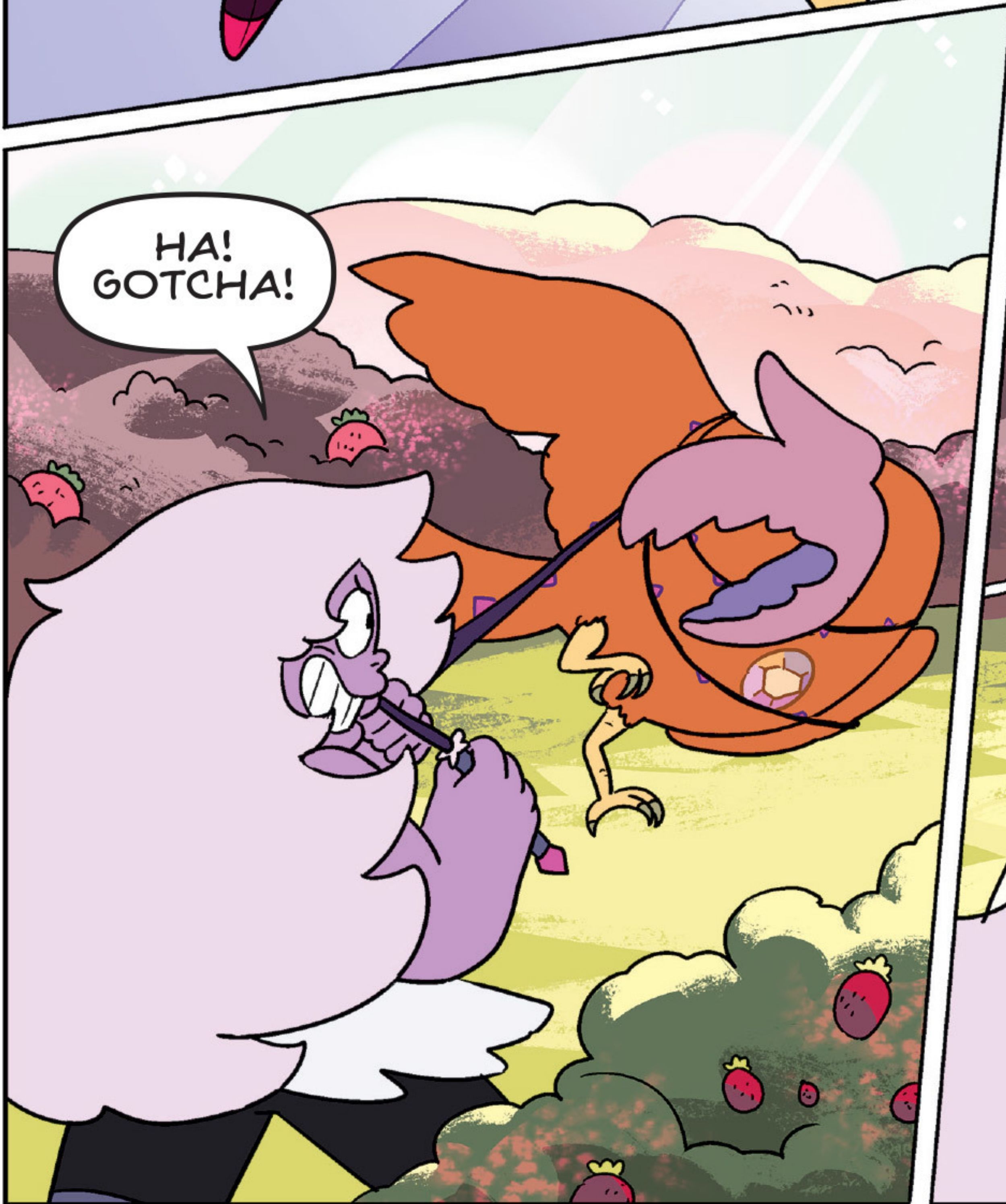


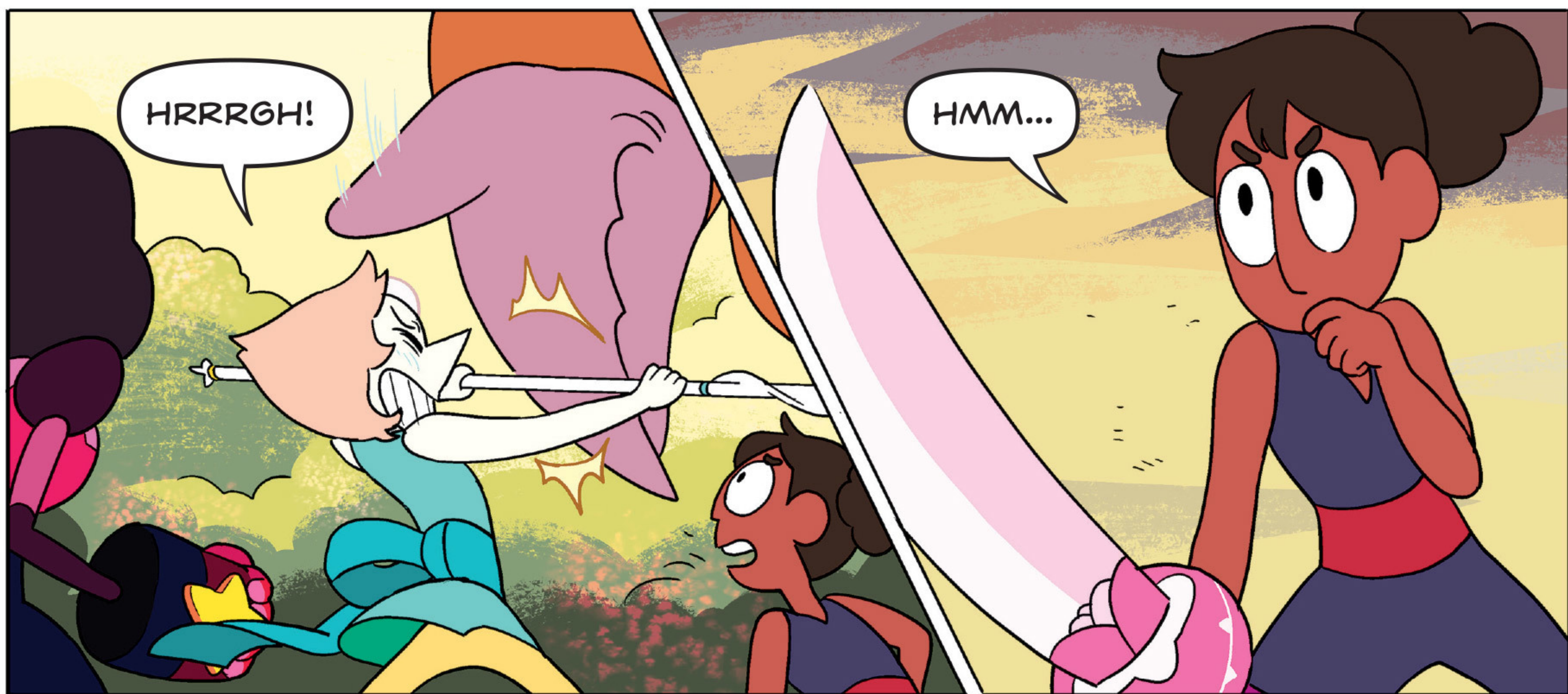
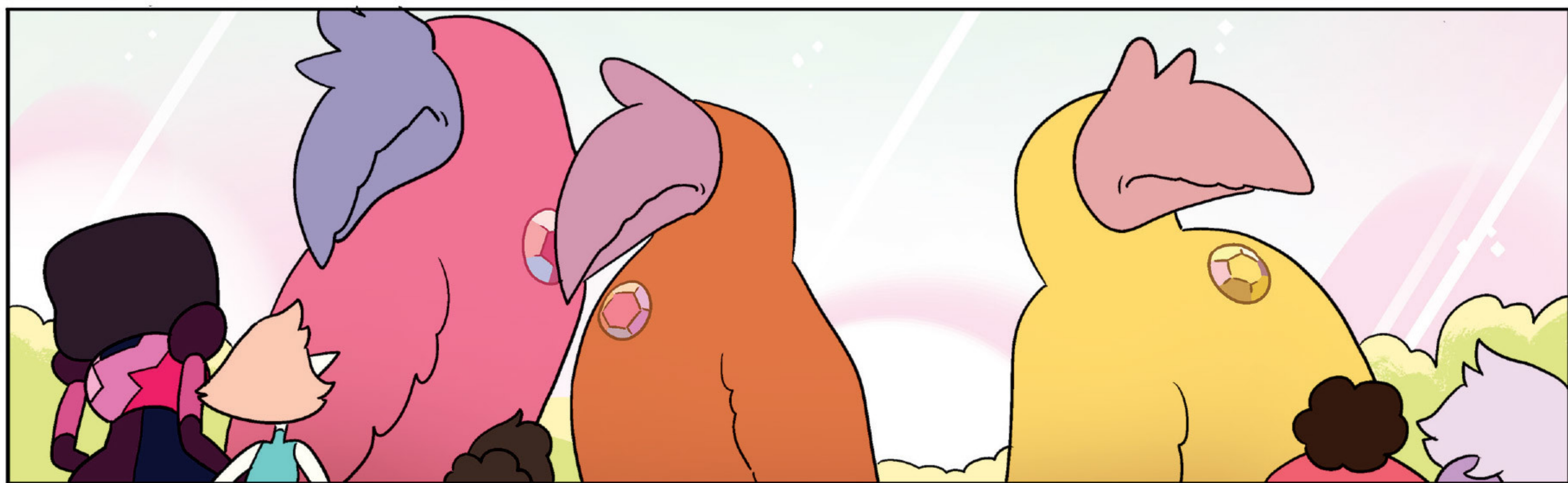
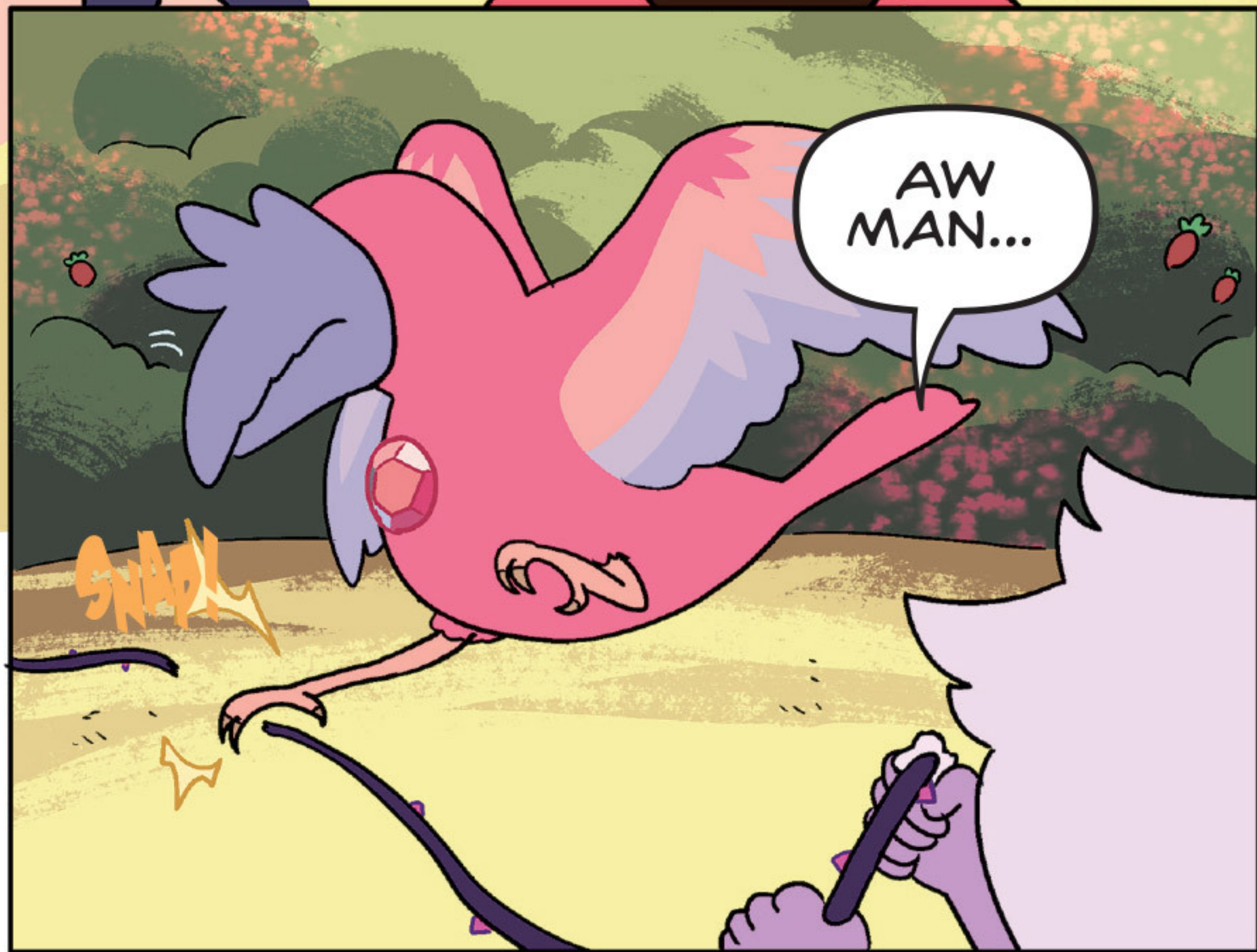
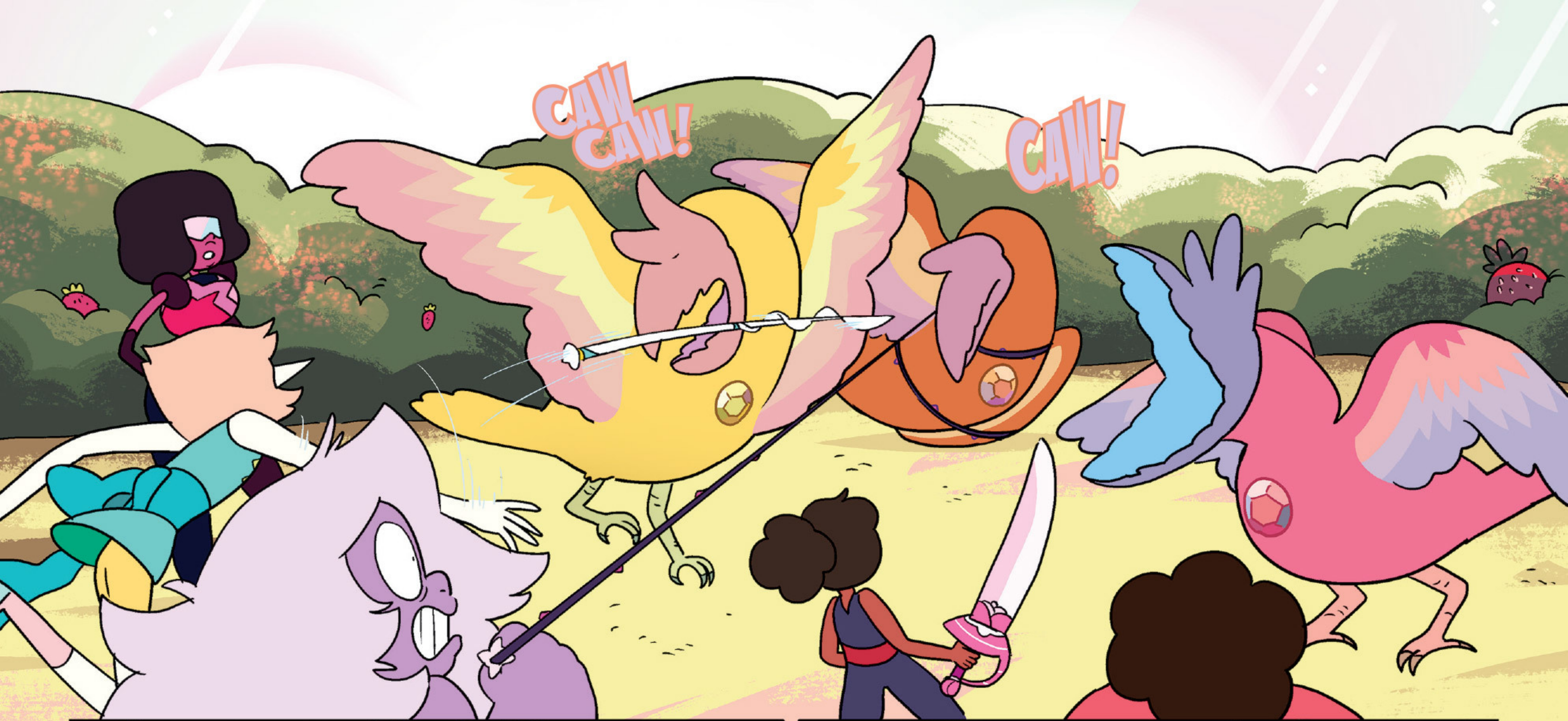
OH, YOU
TWO ONLY
CONTINUE
TO GET
BETTER.

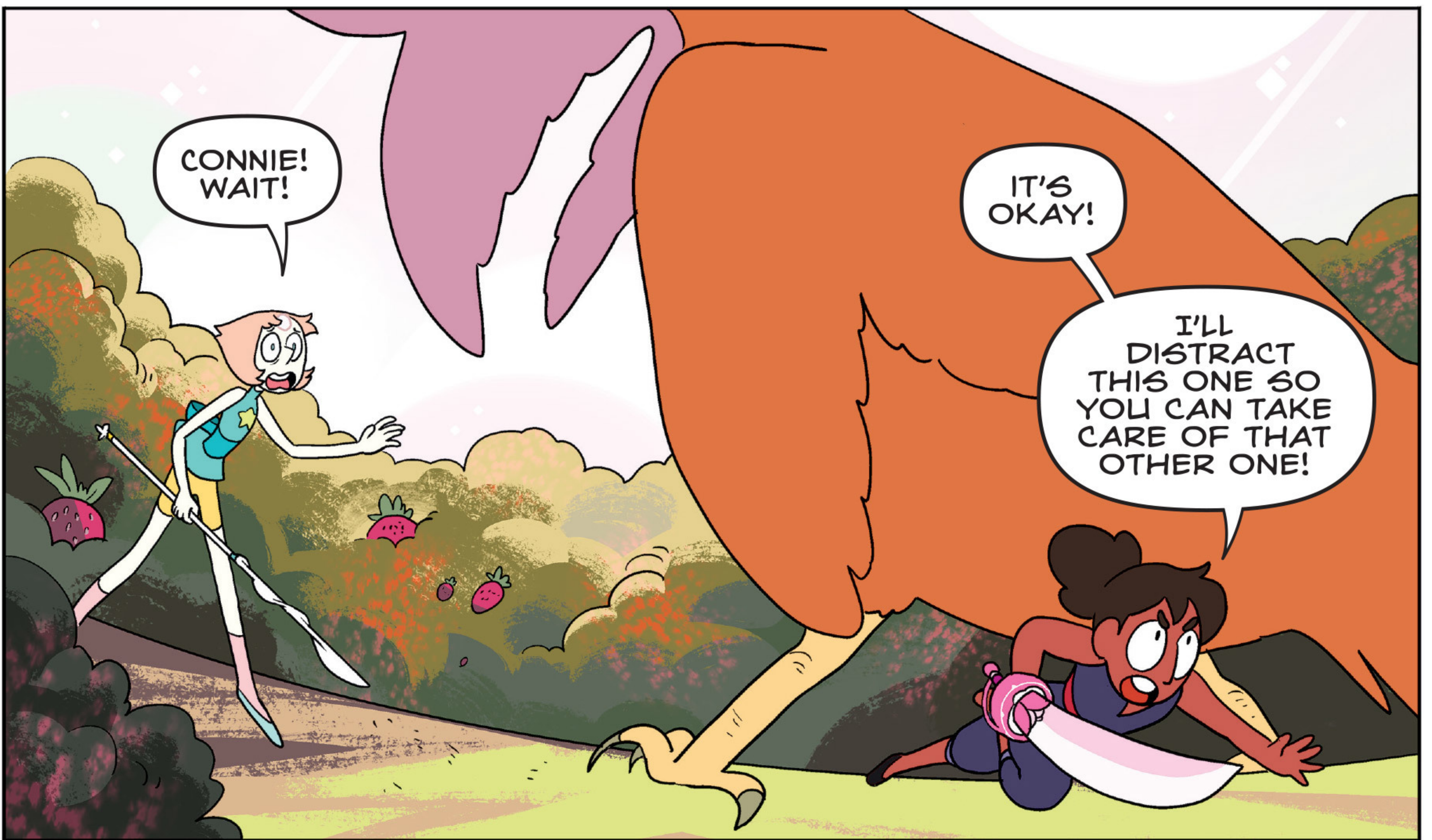
I'M
SO PROUD
OF YOU
BOTH!

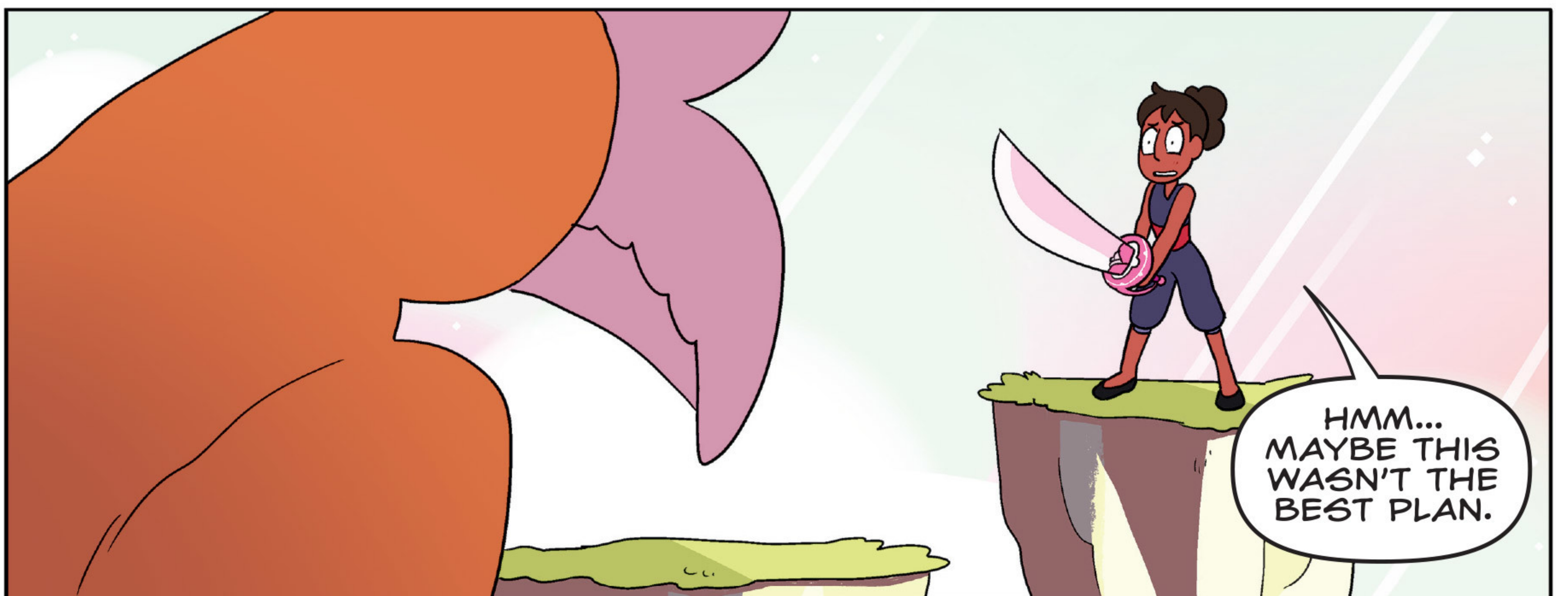
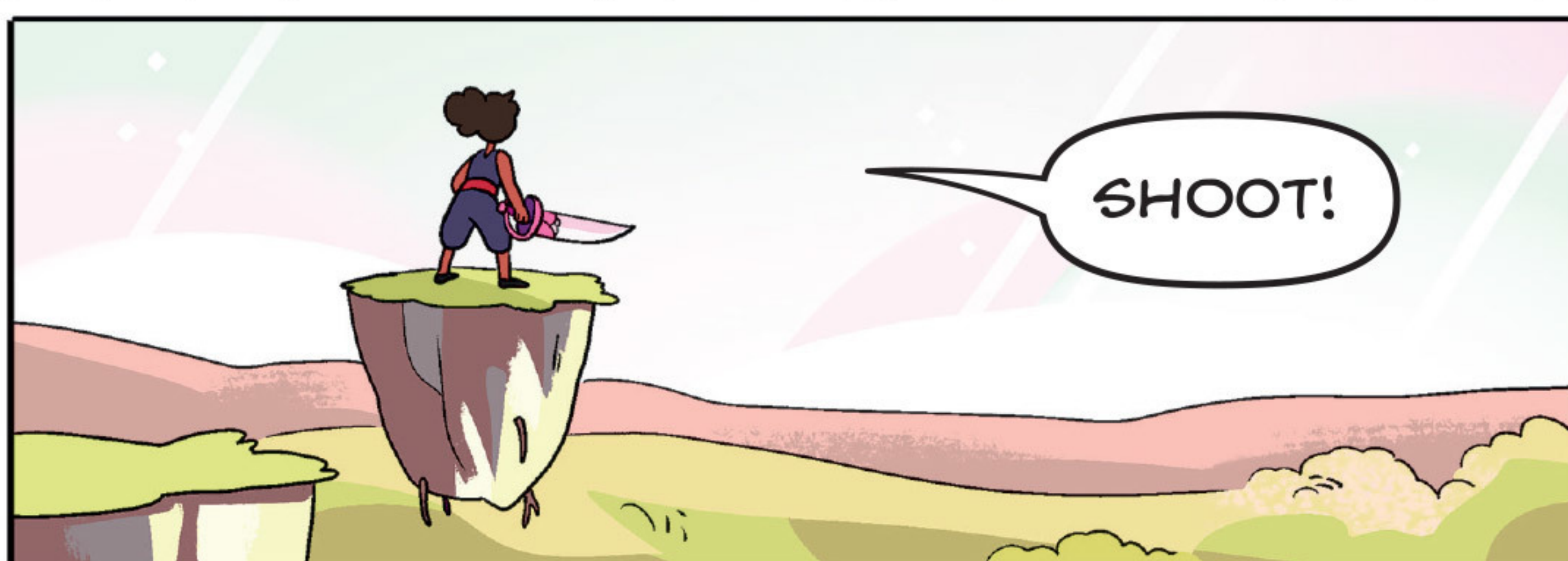


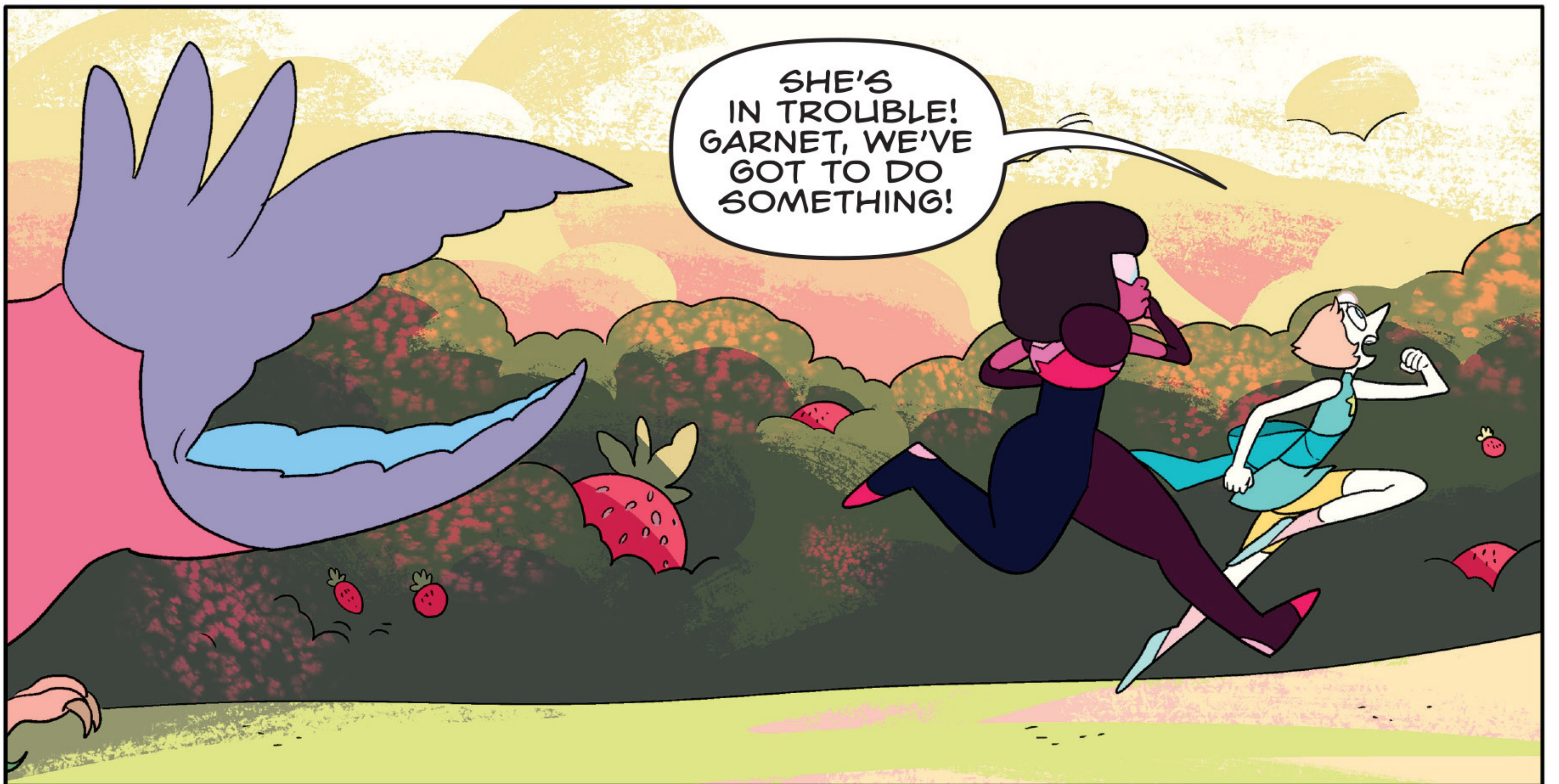




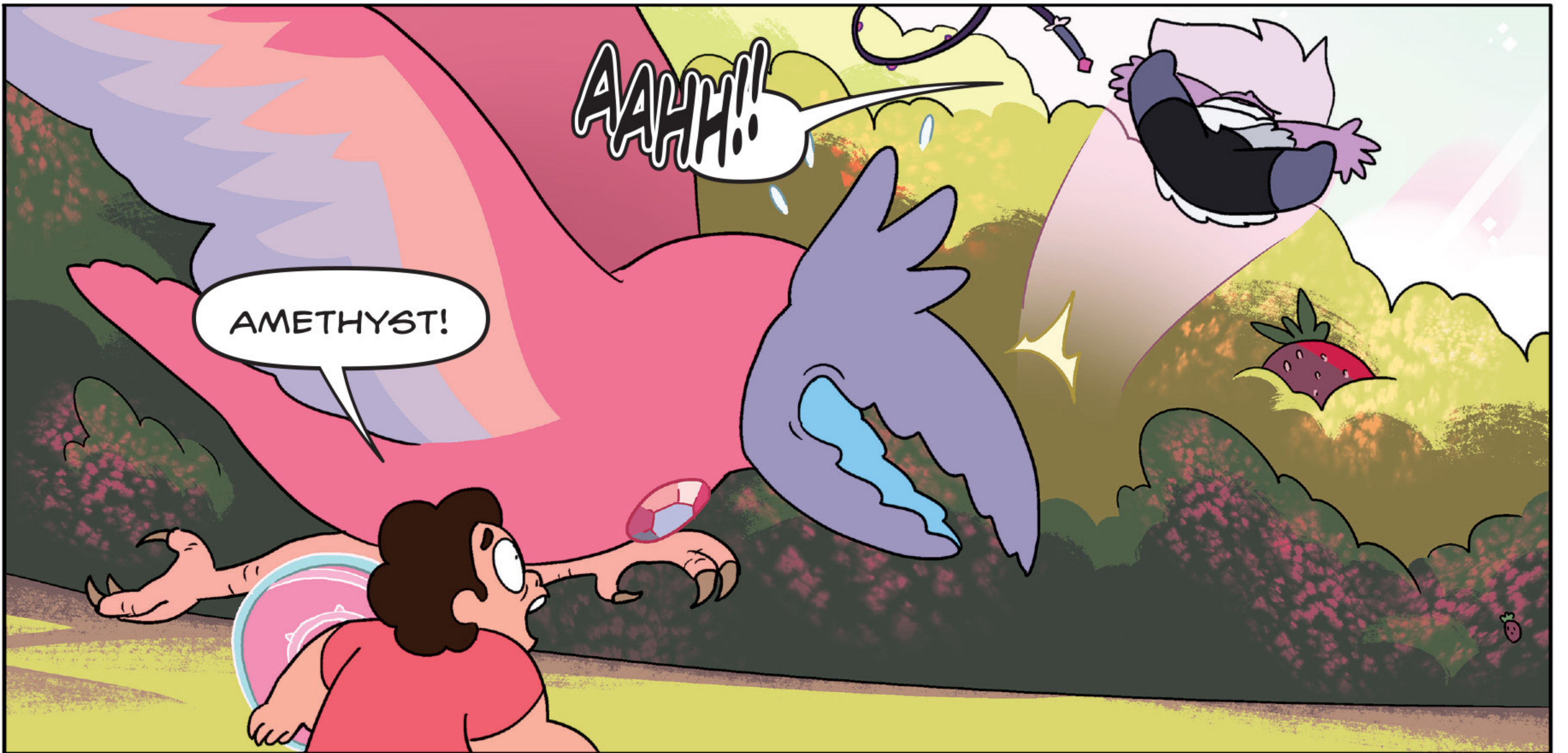




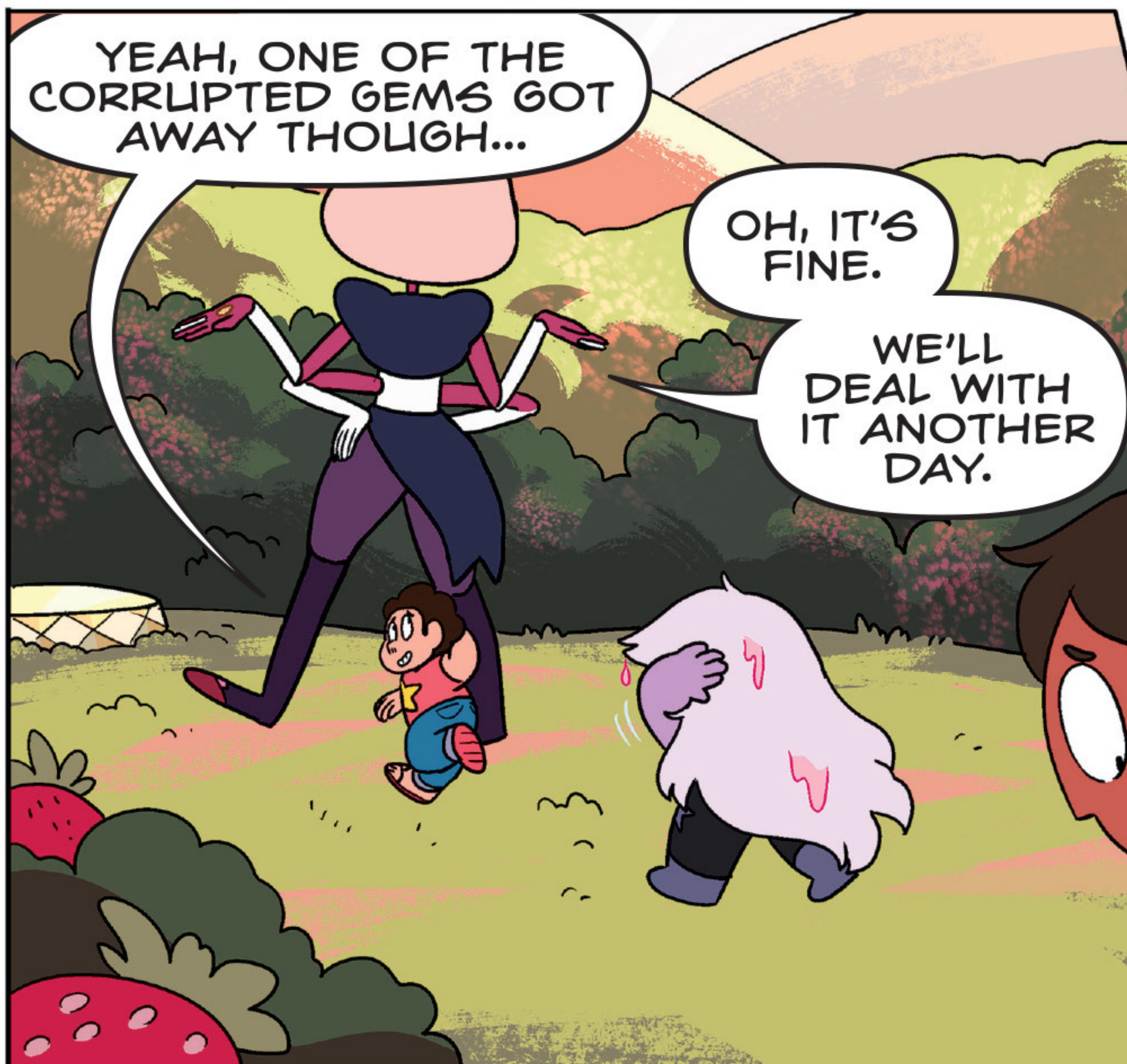






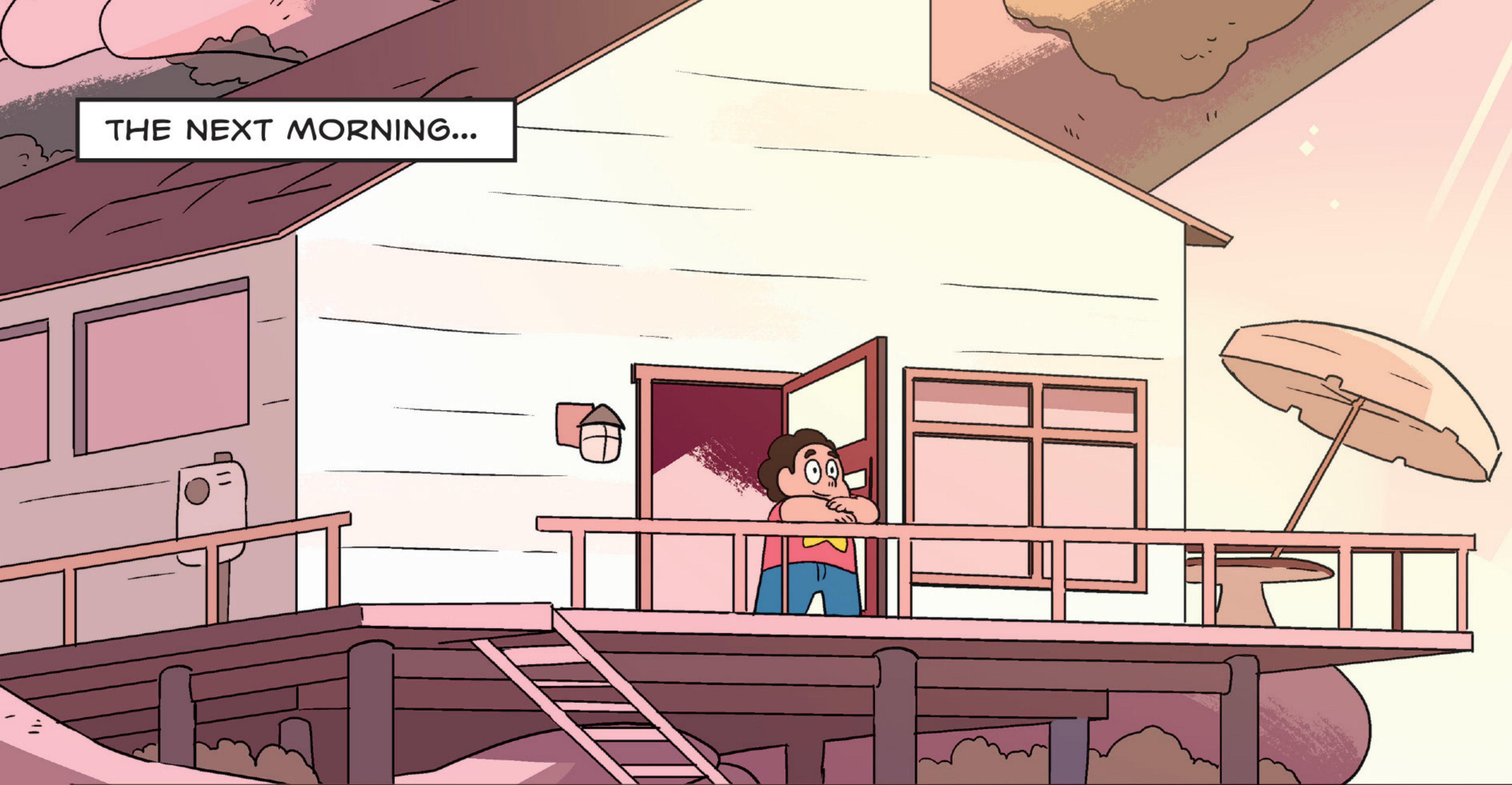




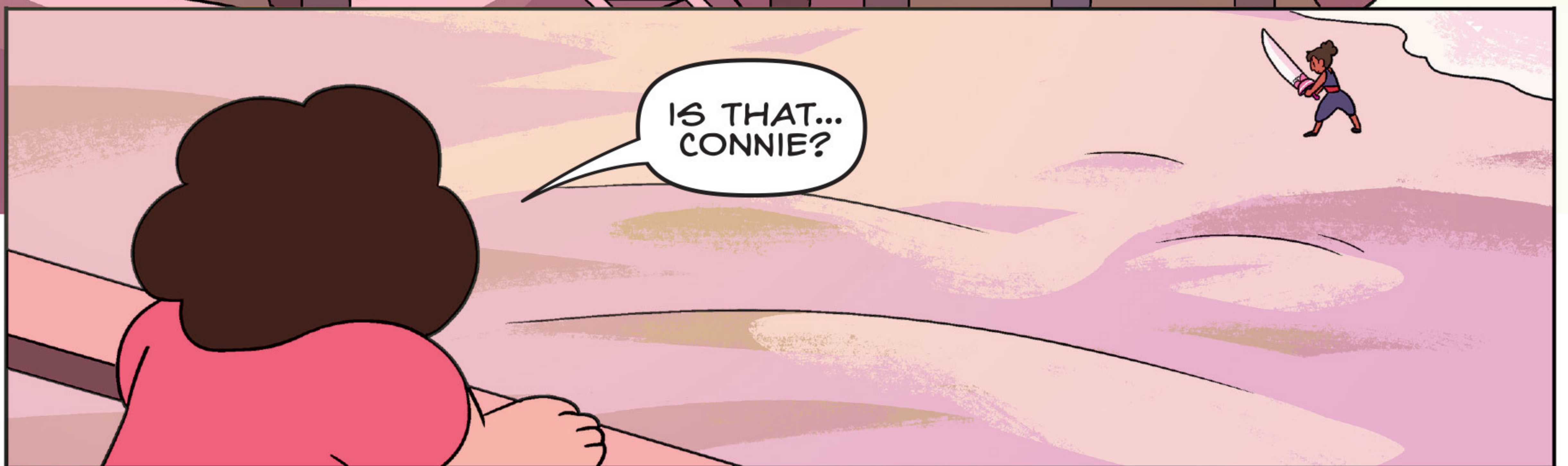




THE NEXT MORNING...



IS THAT...
CONNIE?



HEY, CONNIE!
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING OUT
HERE SO
EARLY?

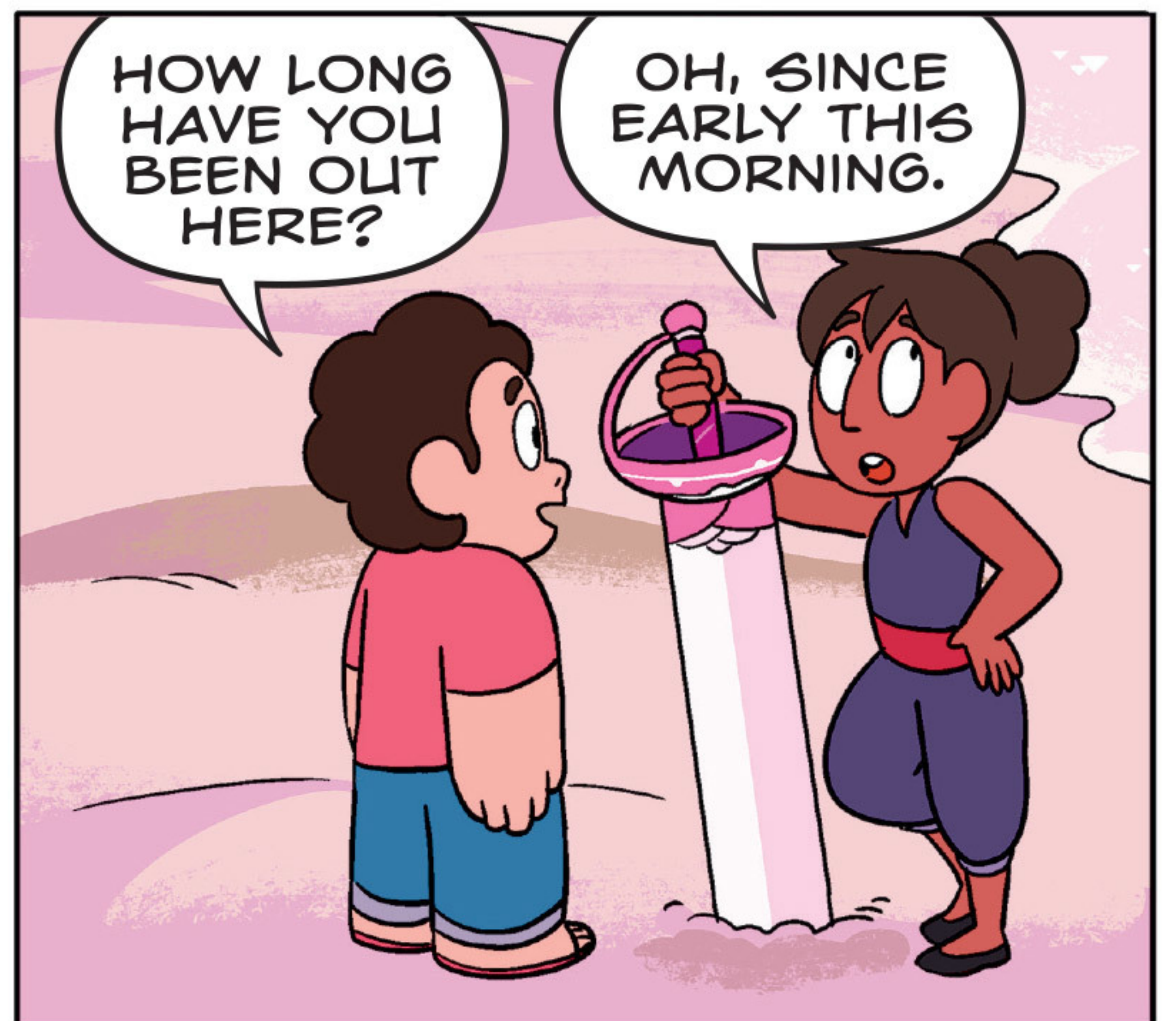
OH, JUST
PRACTICING
SOME SWORD
TECHNIQUES.

MOM SAYS
NO SWORD
PRACTICE IN
THE HOUSE.



HOW LONG
HAVE YOU
BEEN OUT
HERE?

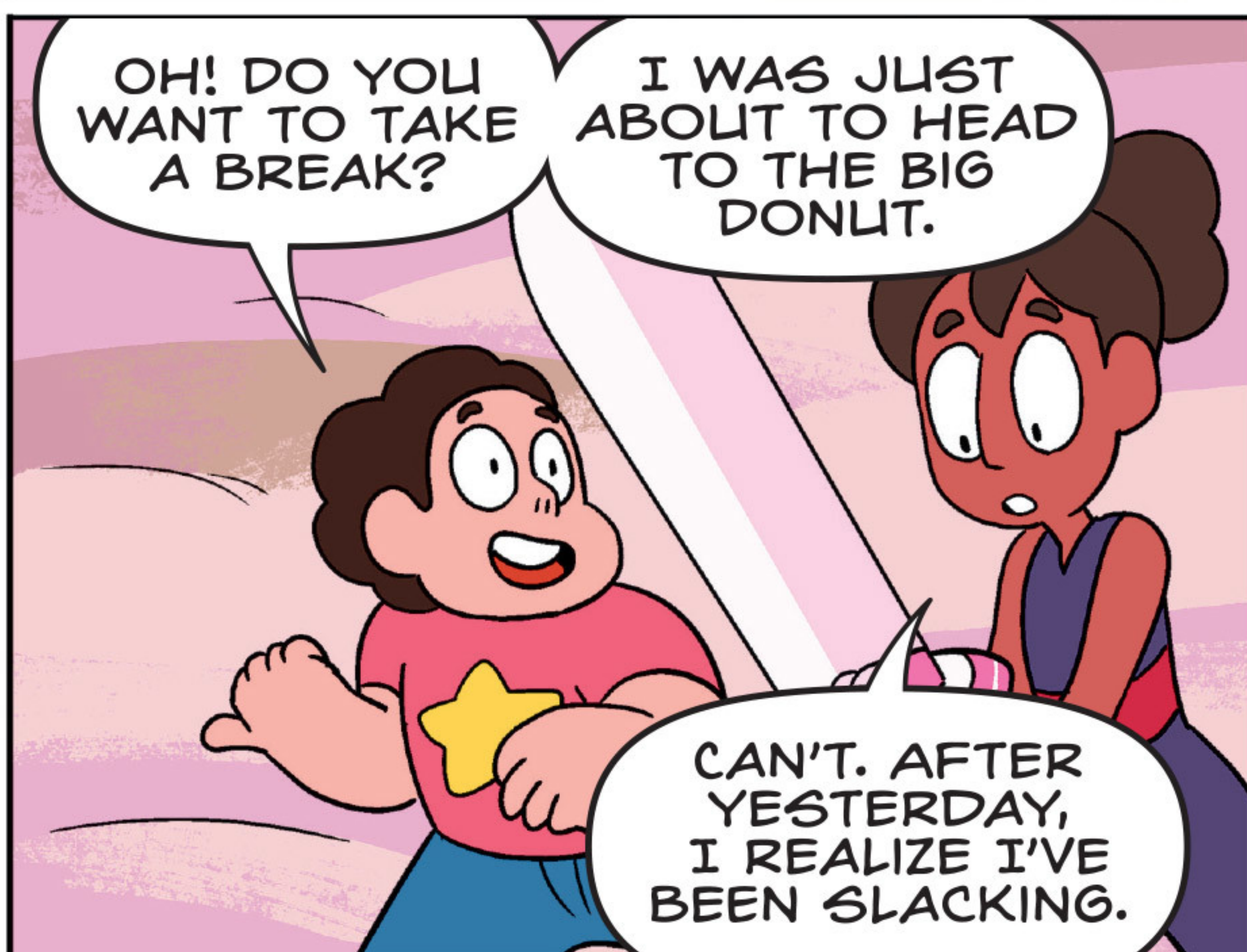
OH, SINCE
EARLY THIS
MORNING.



OH! DO YOU
WANT TO TAKE
A BREAK?

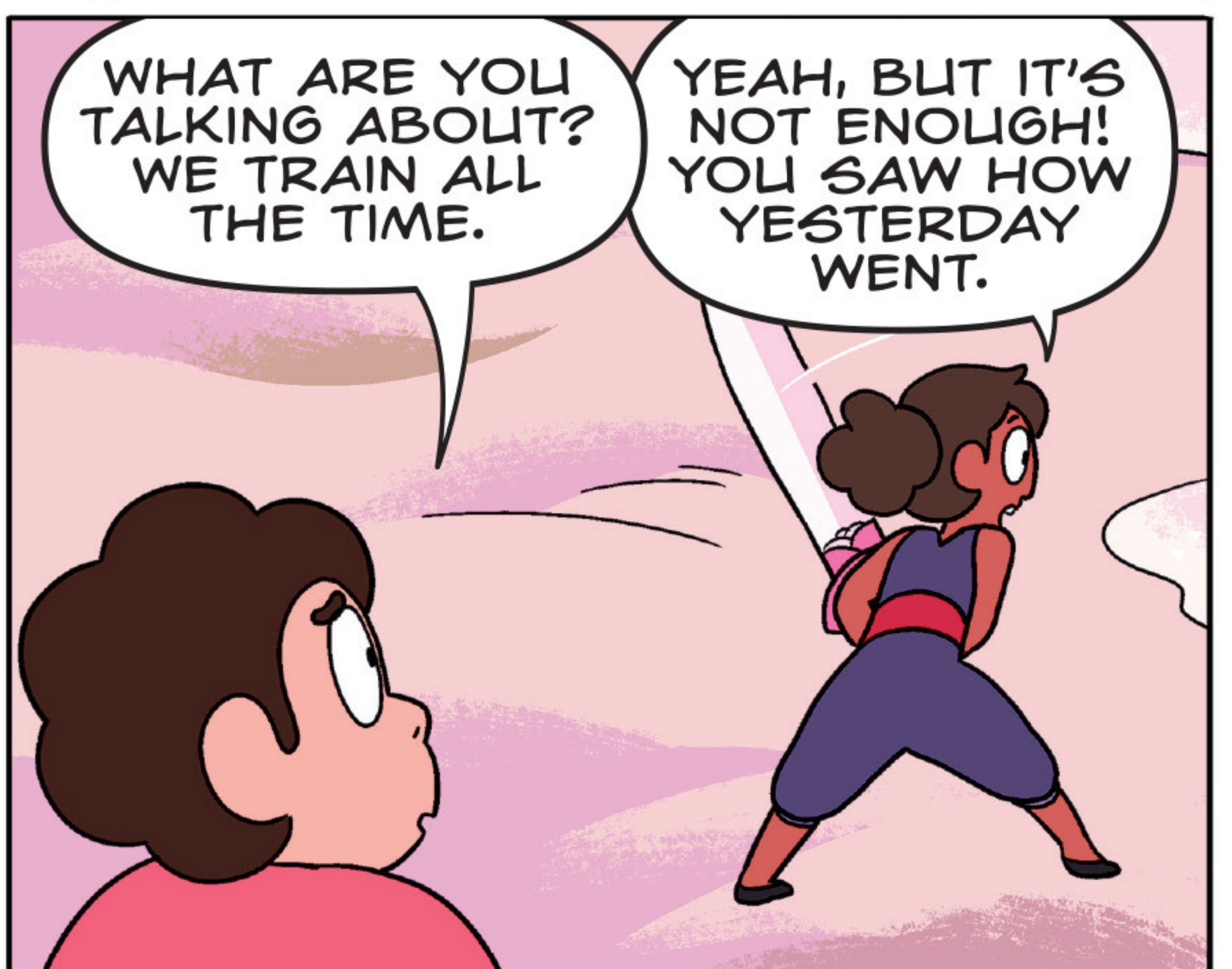
I WAS JUST
ABOUT TO HEAD
TO THE BIG
DONUT.

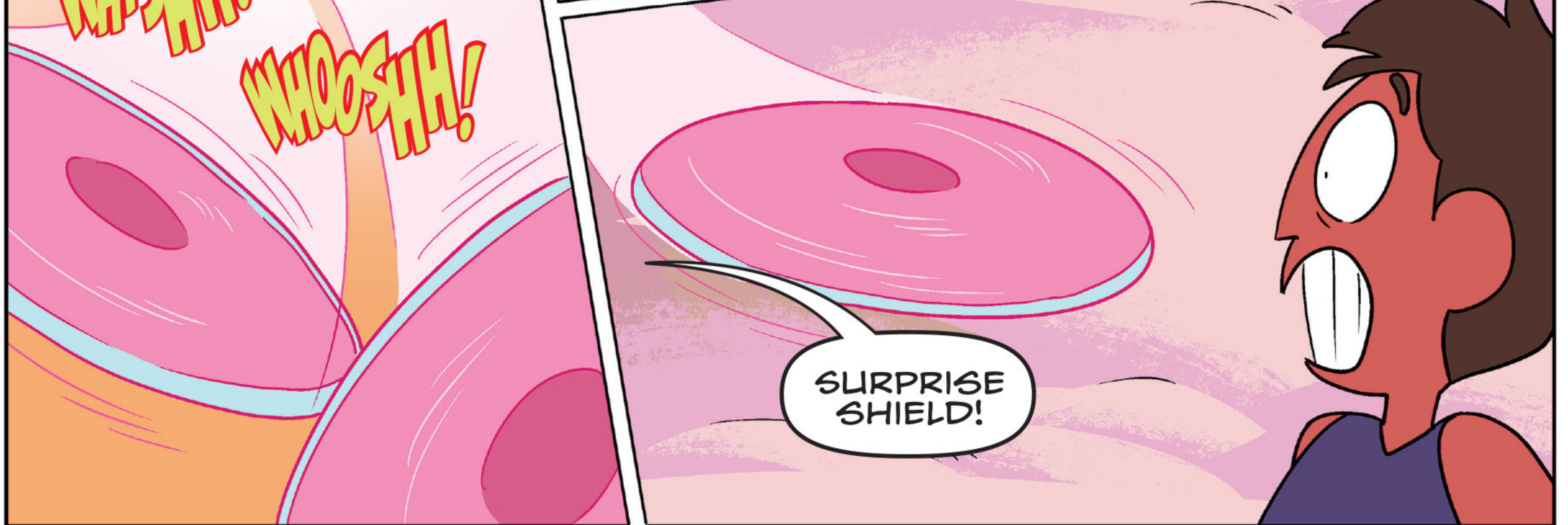
CAN'T. AFTER
YESTERDAY,
I REALIZE I'VE
BEEN SLACKING.



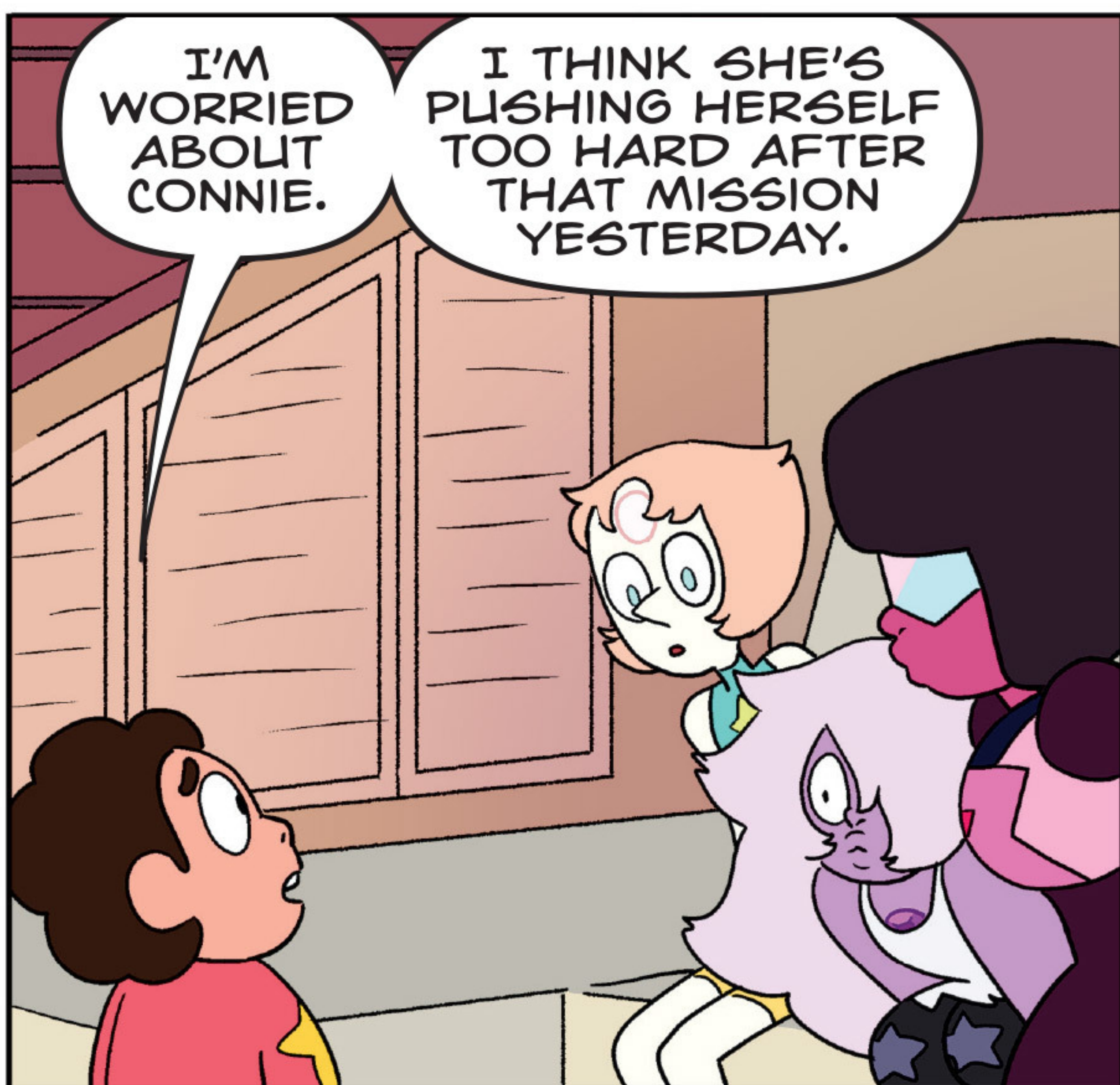
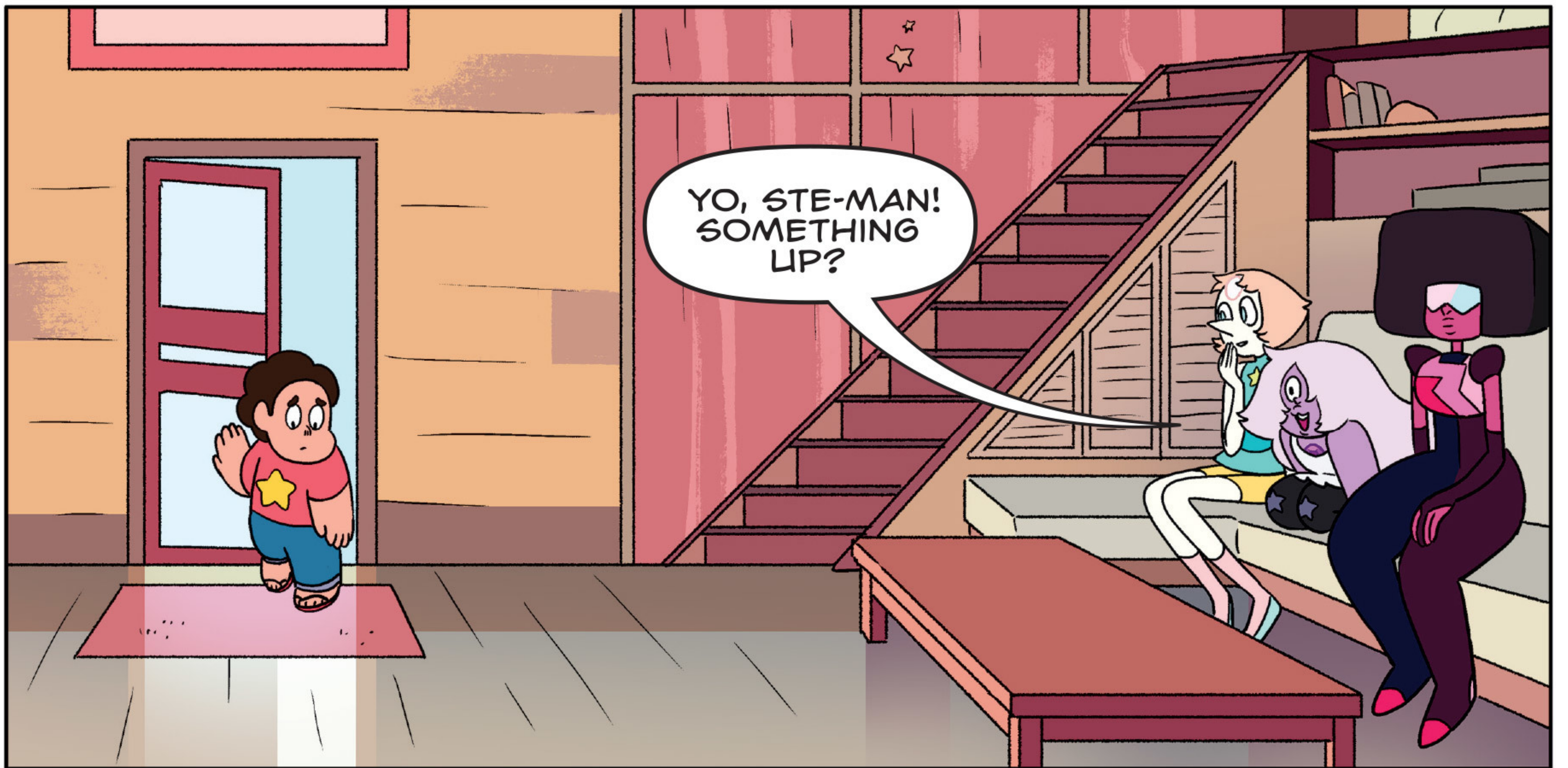
WHAT ARE YOU
TALKING ABOUT?
WE TRAIN ALL
THE TIME.

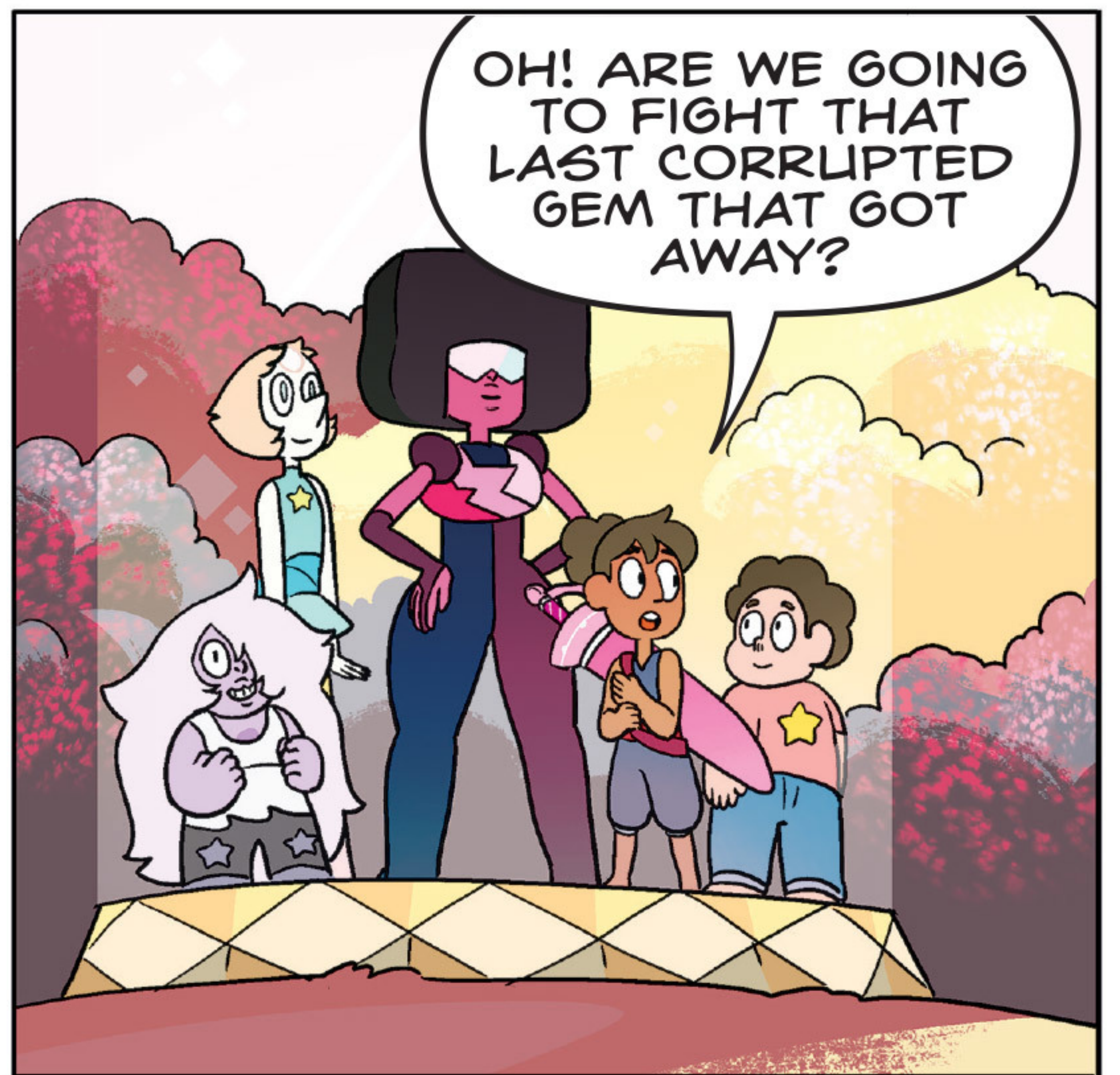
YEAH, BUT IT'S
NOT ENOUGH!
YOU SAW HOW
YESTERDAY
WENT.

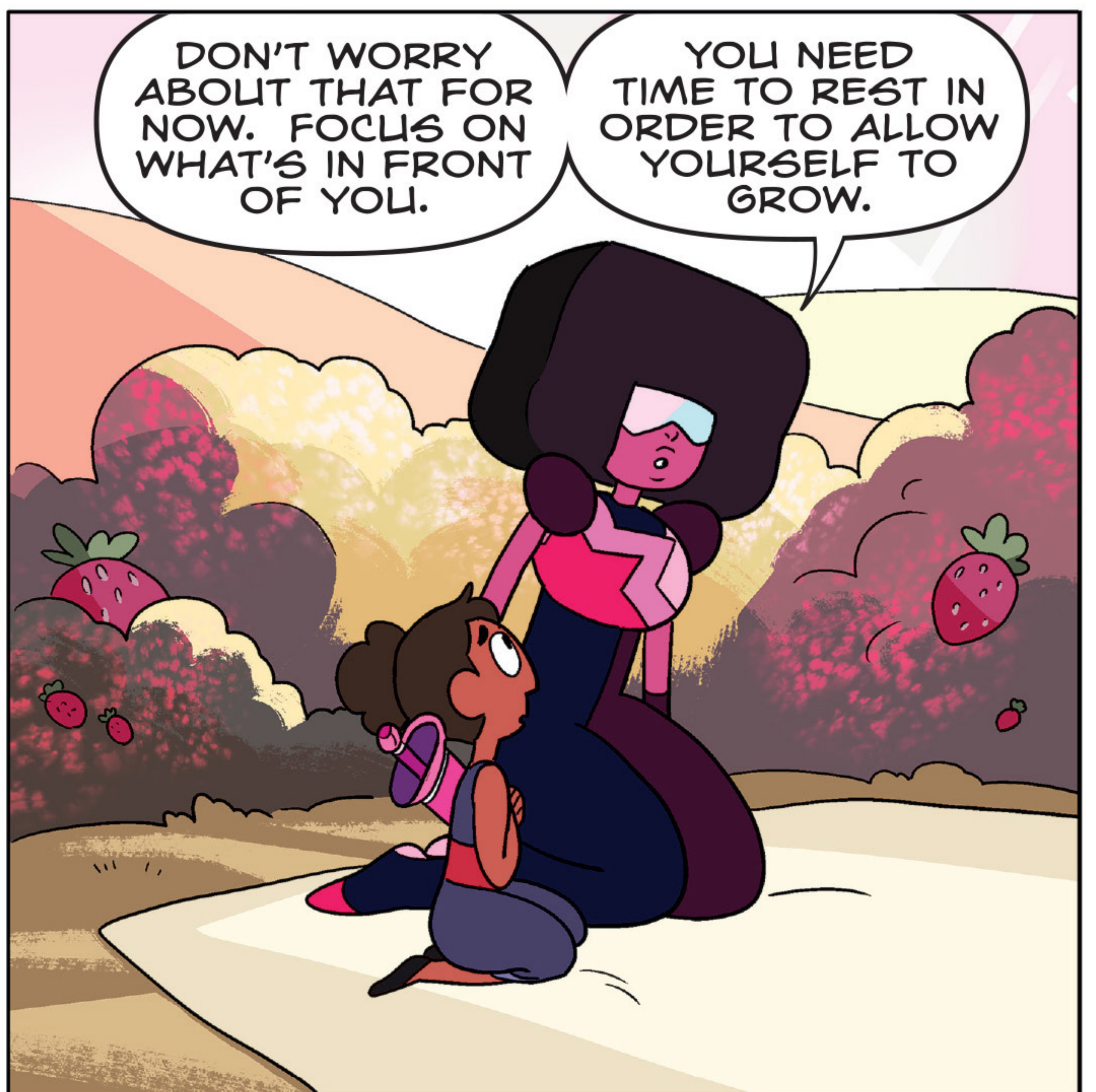
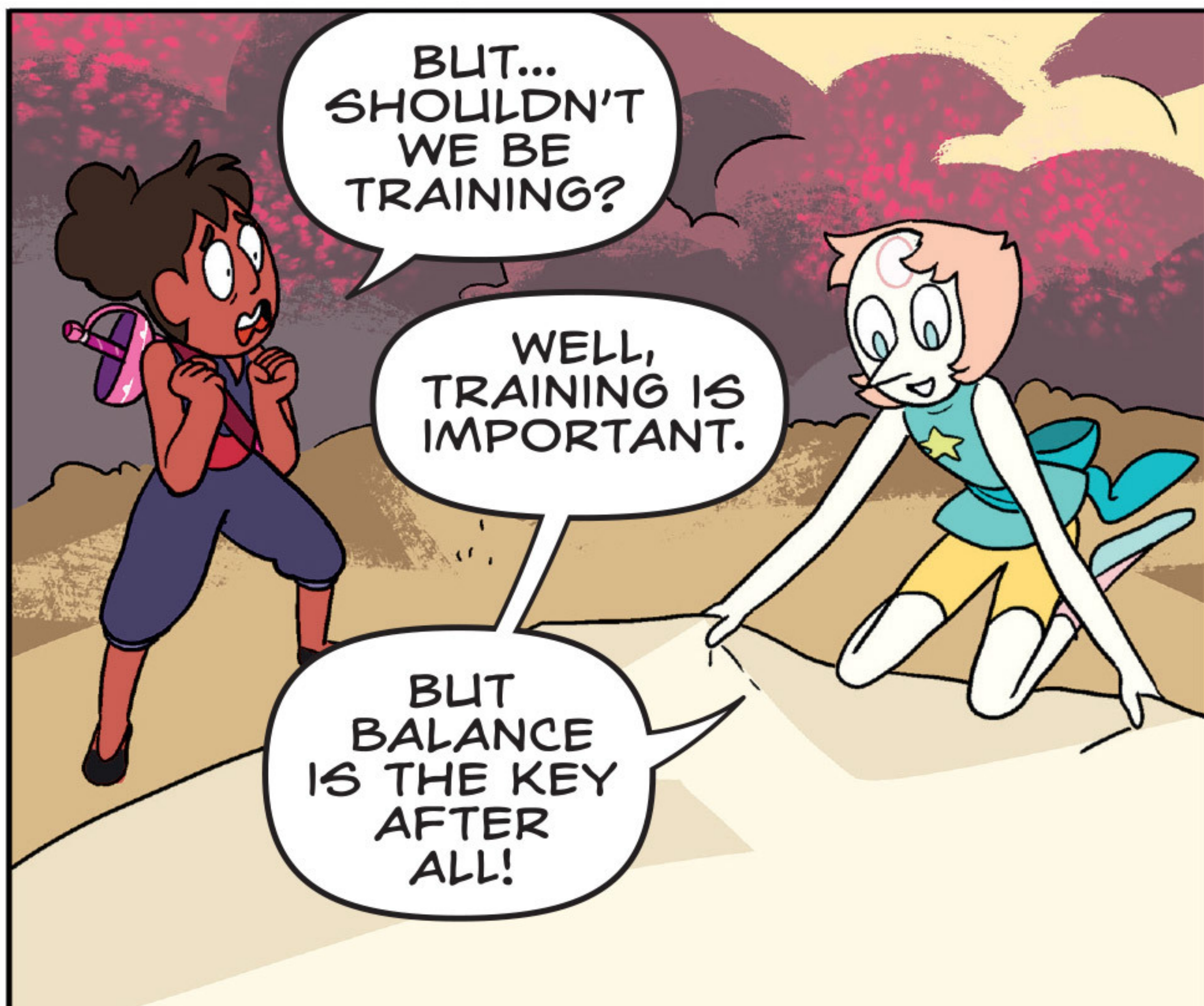


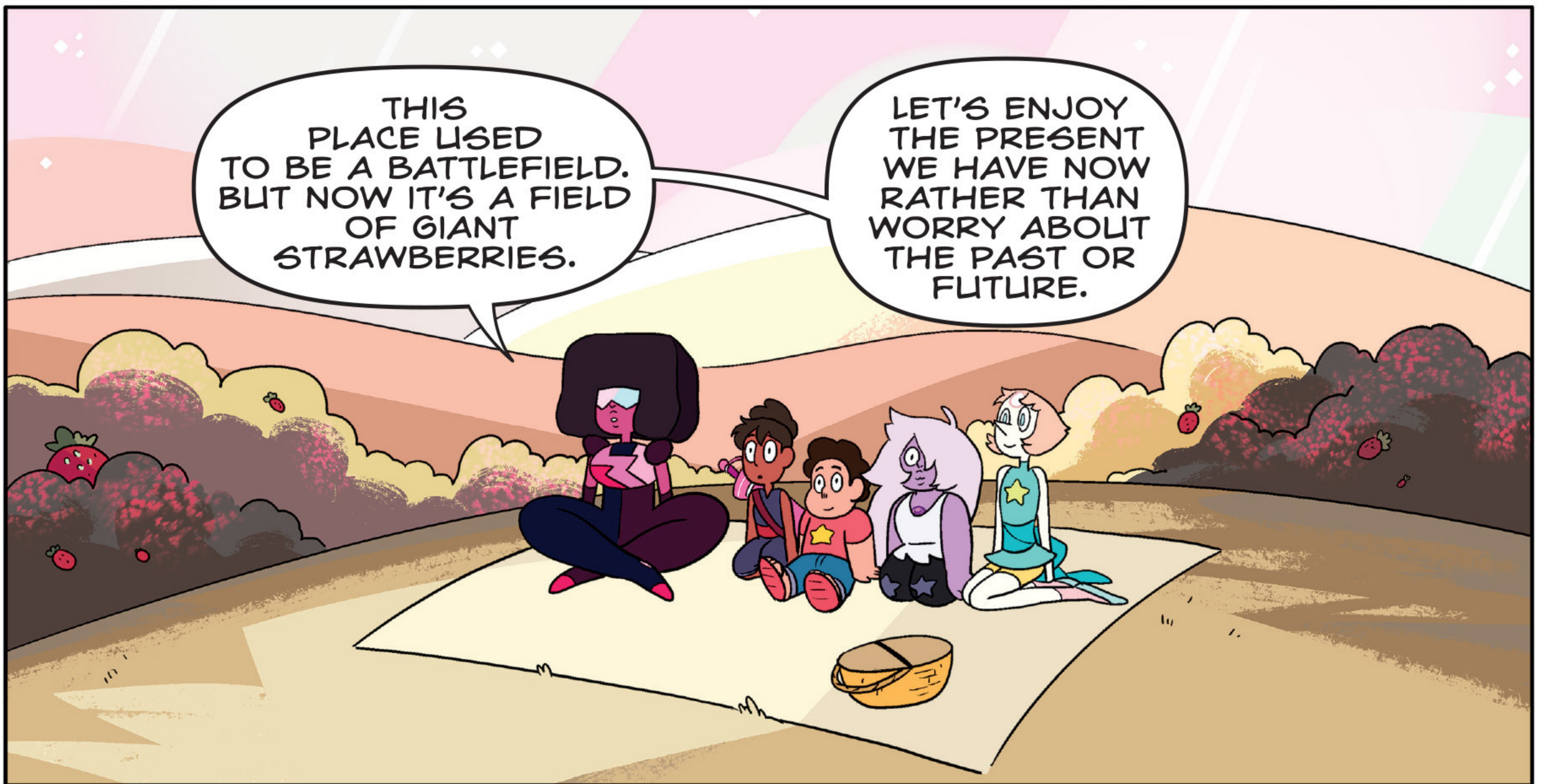
















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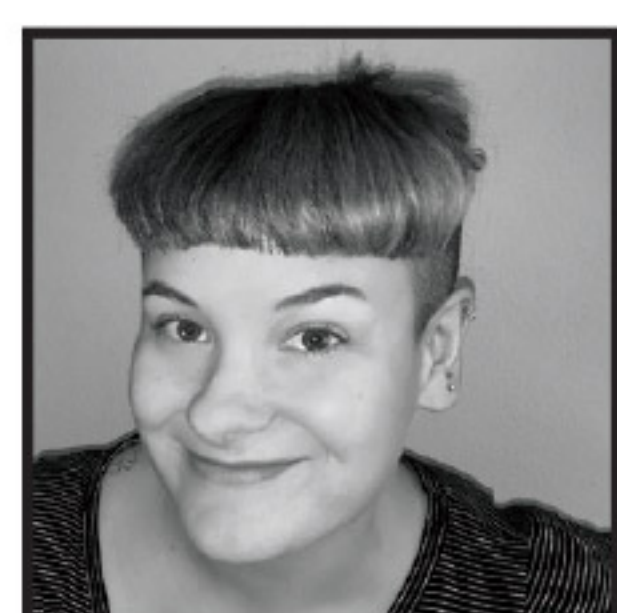
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A MAGIC ROLLER COASTER RIDE WELCOME TO WANDERLAND

Bellamy Muñoz knows everything there is to know about Wanderland Park. She knows all the shortcuts, and all the secret lore behind Old West Town, Space Age Metropolis, and New Princesston. But when she winds up in the REAL version of Wanderland, with actual princesses and adorable talking woodland creatures, she starts to realize that this magical land isn't much like the park at all, and the characters she thinks she knows aren't quite what she imagined.



Cover by
Maddi Gonzalez



Jackie Ball
Writer



Maddi Gonzalez
Artist

Jackie, how did you come up with the idea for *Welcome to Wanderland*?

Jackie Ball: I work in theme parks, and one of my best friends grew up in Orlando. He spent so much time in the parks, he used to literally do his homework there. There was something I really loved about that; it gave these massive parks such a small-town vibe.

Tell us a little bit about Bellamy and Riot. Who do you relate to more?

Ball: Well, I really used Bel and Riot as avatars to express contrary aspects of my own personality: the passionate, driven snob, with a blind spot for people's feelings; and the "lazy," fun-loving slacker who's terrified of failure. Those were parts of myself that I felt people could relate to, so they were the seeds of who these characters were in the beginning.

Maddi Gonzalez: I find myself drawn to each of them very strongly. I think Bel's fiery passion for yelling on the internet is something I can, uh, very unfortunately relate to.

It sounds like designing *Wanderland Park* and its magical counterpart would be both challenging and fun! What is your process?

Ball: It's been crazy challenging. There's been a lot from my career in theme parks that informs it. I'll put together some reference mood boards with a written description, and hand it off to Maddi. It's been an interesting challenge trying to create a cohesive "real" world to go along with the park. Not to mention that I don't want to totally ignore the inherent paradox of theme parks: they're these artistic endeavors, designed by people who care SO MUCH, but are also massive profit-makers often owned by corporations. That's not the point of the series, but it is definitely a facet of it.

Gonzalez: Jackie's great about having her inspiration very clear and on-hand. We have a document that she constantly updates with references for what she envisions for each part of the park; I keep sketch pages of concept work for both the real-life park and the magic land! Right now I'm trying to keep the real world more grounded in reality and the park a lot looser and fluid and fun. Hopefully that'll translate as well as I want it to!

We simply HAVE to ask; who came up with Riot's amazing design and outfit?

Ball: Maddi. I had some basic thoughts that I wanted her to be

beefy and wear a jacket, but her actual designs are all Maddi and I love them to death. The knuckle crown was 100% Maddi's invention, and it's infuriating how perfect it is.

Gonzalez: That was both of us! When I first read the description of Riot's character and story arc, I doodled little versions of Riot all over my sketchbook for days and days. By the time we started nailing down character designs, I had a pretty good idea of what I wanted her to look like. Jackie, too, had a very clear vision of what she wanted for Riot, and I played off of that; we went back and forth until we were both happy. She's inspired by a lot of my favorite Disney princess concept art-- her hair, specifically, is an homage to *Frozen*'s Queen Elsa design back when she was originally going to be a villain; her jacket's an homage to Snow White's dress. Her crown is just cool.



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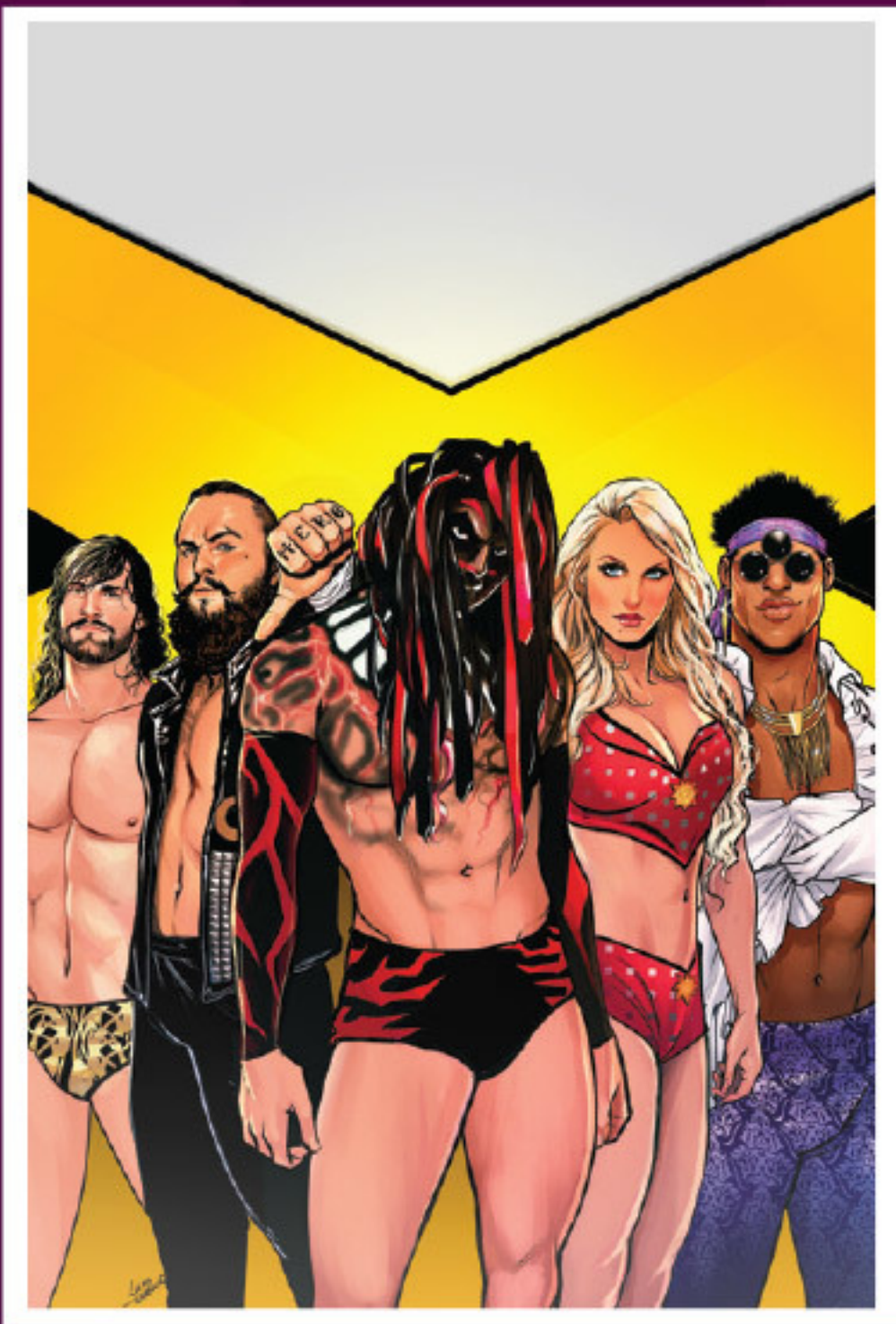
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In the year 2012, Triple H and Dusty Rhodes head to Florida to begin the newest era of WWE.

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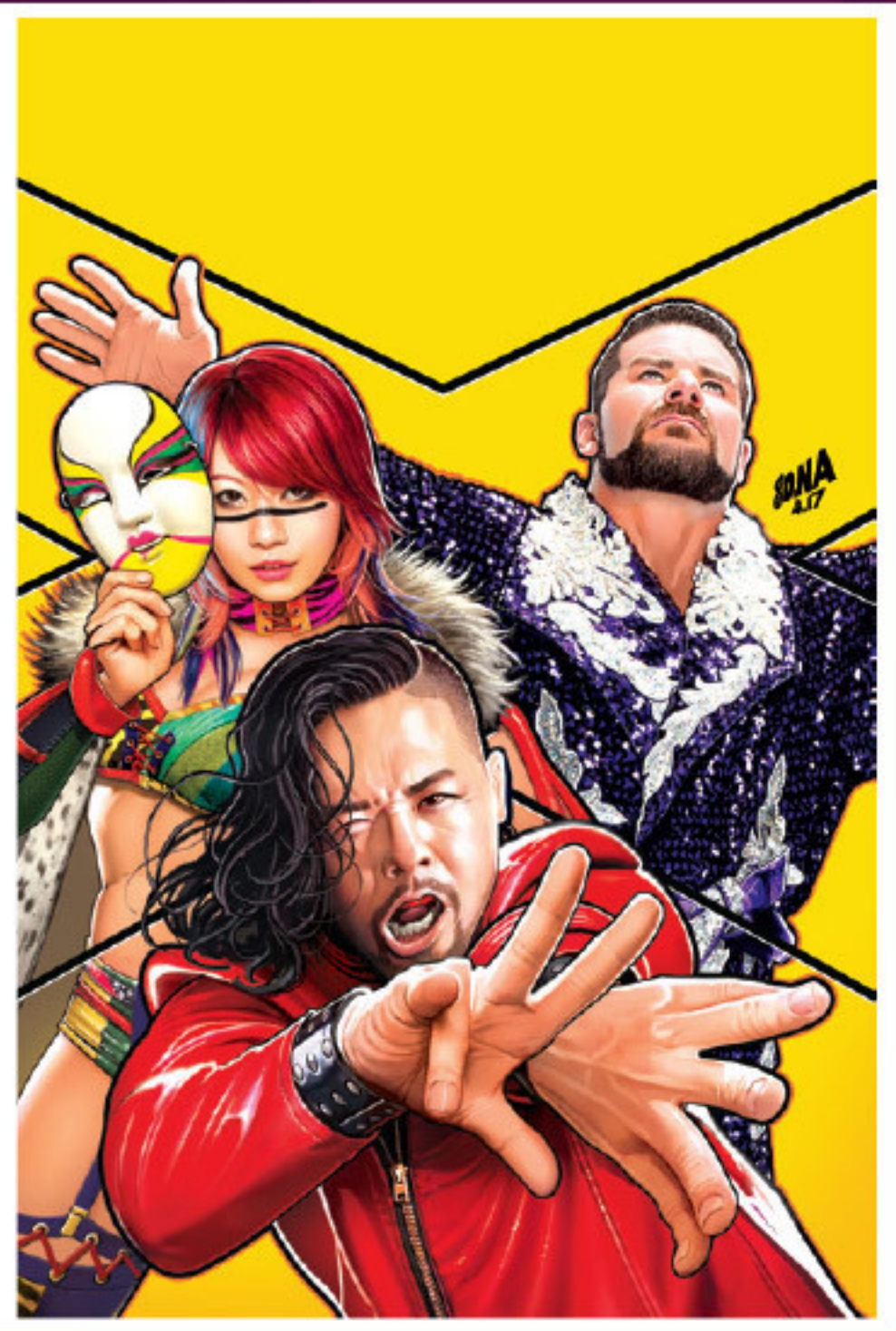
WWE: NXT TAKEOVER PROVING GROUND #1

Demon King, Finn Balor, enters the NXT Universe and is confronted by Samoa Joe.

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WWE: NXT TAKEOVER INTO THE FIRE #1

The Empress of Tomorrow, Asuka, begins her rise to the NXT Women's Championship, all while former Champ Paige scouts for new allies.

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WWE: NXT TAKEOVER REDEMPTION #1

Johnny Gargano and Shayna Baszler make the move to NXT and immediately leave their mark.

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HIGH FANTASY, LOW LIVES

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In the aftermath of an apocalypse which wiped out nearly all magic from a once-wondrous world, an antisocial former bard named Hum seeks a way to save the soul of his wife with nothing but a foul-tempered mutant unicorn and his wits to protect him. Along the way he's drawn into a brutal power struggle which will forever decide who rules the weird wasteland.

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RETURN TO THE UNKNOWN! **OVER THE GARDEN WALL: HOLLOW TOWN #1**

Join Wirt, Greg, and Beatrice on an all-new adventure in the Unknown as they stumble on a small town inhabited entirely by eerie doll-people. After Greg loses a shoe, it's up to Wirt to earn money for a new pair, leading him to babysit some doll-children that may cause Wirt to stay in town forever. . .

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Currently Watching: *My Hero Academia*, rewatching *Avatar: The Last Airbender*

Favorite Item on Desk: My collection of Trunks figures from *Dragon Ball Z*

If I won the lottery I'd spend the money on: A bigger place to store all my collectibles and succulents...and then I'd get MORE collectibles and succulents!

Hobbies: Video games, sewing, watching all the anime, playing ukulele

Food I'd Wrestle a Bear for: Jalapeño Kettle Brand Potato Chips!

Secret talent: There was a semester in my sixth grade gym where my class learned to juggle, and I'm still pretty good at it!

Hometown: Newport News, Virginia