

Trouble maker

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I WAS JUST A REGULAR SCHOOL GIRL. THAT JUST NORMALLY ARRIVES ON TIME TO SCHOOL AND GETS ASSIGNMENTS DONE.



THAT'S ME ALRIGHT. JASMINE, IS THE NAME.

HAVE YOU EVER WONDER... HOW DOES SOMEONE GO FROM BEING A TOGETHER PERSON TO SOMEONE WHERE EVERYTHING FALLS APART?



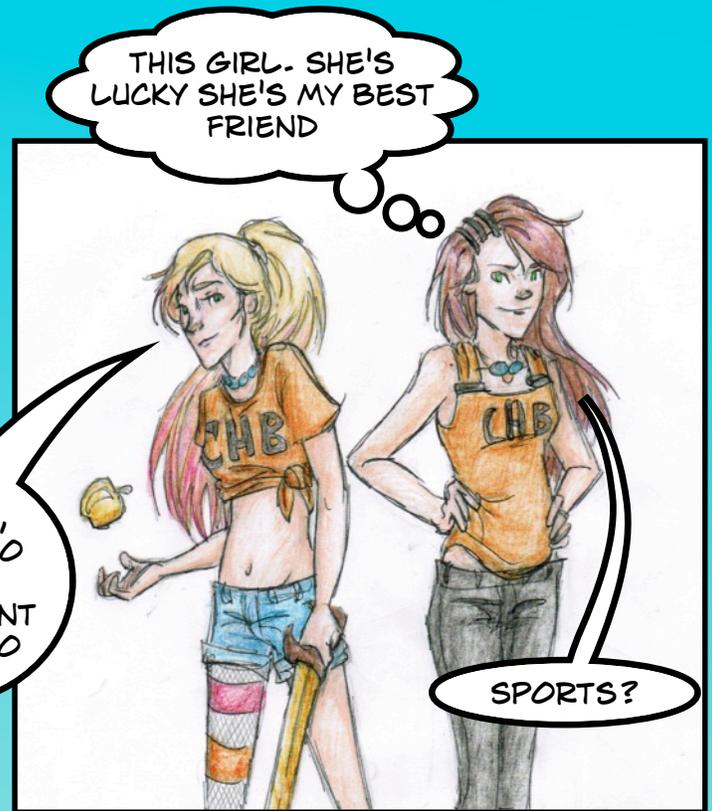
I ACTUALLY KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT. A DISTRACTION WAS THE PROBLEM.



IT WAS A REGULAR SCHOOL DAY.



THIS GIRL. SHE'S LUCKY SHE'S MY BEST FRIEND

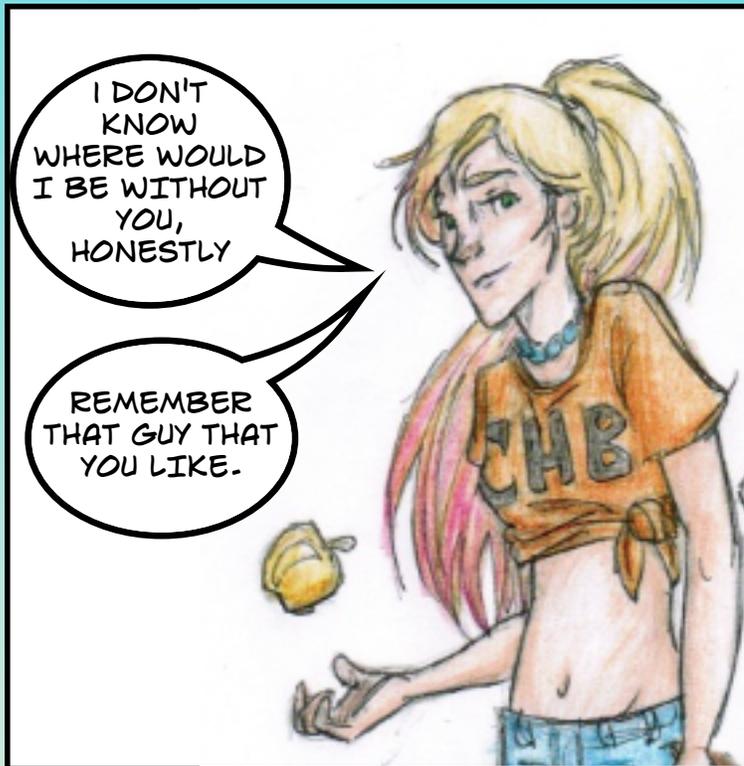


HEY JASMINE, DID YOU DO THAT ASSIGNMENT WE HAD TO DO?

SPORTS?

I DON'T KNOW WHERE WOULD I BE WITHOUT YOU, HONESTLY

REMEMBER THAT GUY THAT YOU LIKE.



IT'S THE ONLY THING I CARE LESS, SCHOOL AND YOU IS THE MOST IMPORTANT.

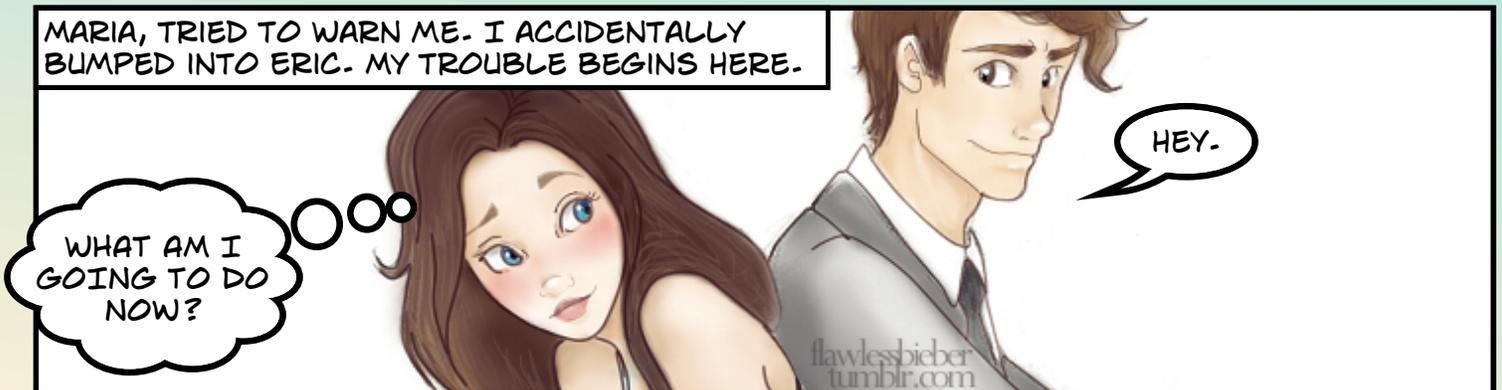
YES, SADLY THERE WAS A GUY INVOLVED.



MARIA, TRIED TO WARN ME. I ACCIDENTALLY BUMPED INTO ERIC. MY TROUBLE BEGINS HERE.

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO NOW?

HEY.



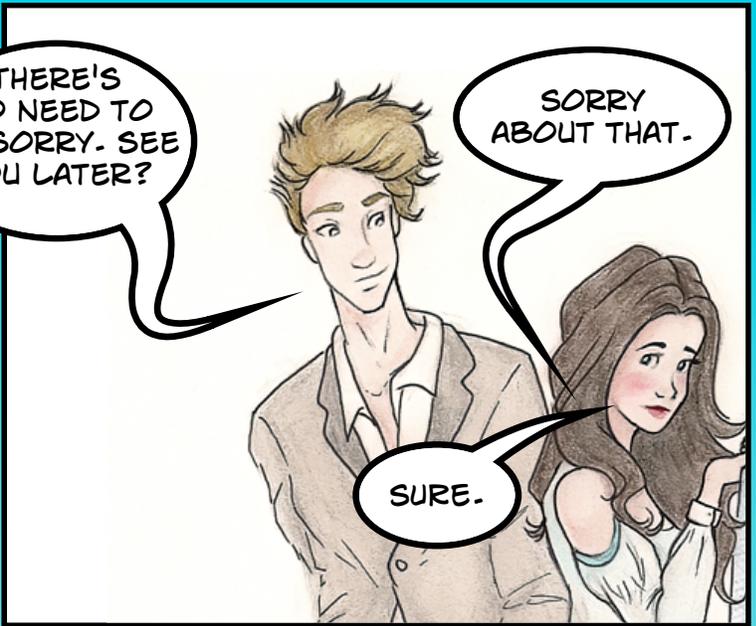


ERIC, WAS THE COOL KID IN SCHOOL AND THE GUY THAT I LIKED.

THERE'S NO NEED TO BE SORRY. SEE YOU LATER?

SORRY ABOUT THAT.

SURE.



I CAN NEVER IMAGINE THIS HAPPENING THIS TO ME. BUT I HAVE TO FOCUS IN WHAT IS IMPORTANT



I WARNED YAH!



I GUESS.

I HAD A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS

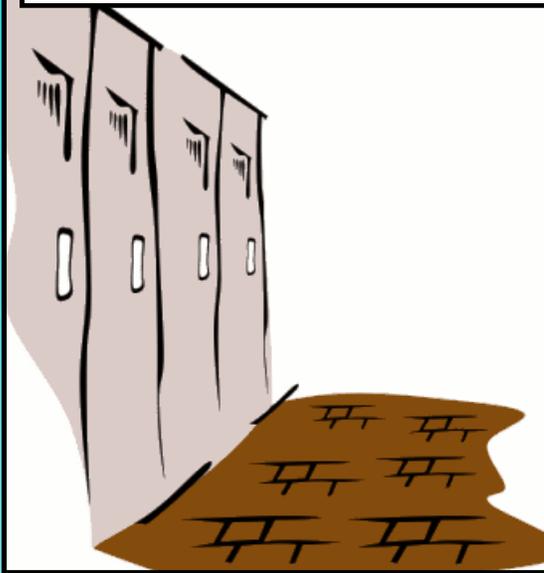


OR, IS IT ME?

MAYBE, I WAS JUST NERVOUS.

THERE'S SOMETHING WEIRD ABOUT THIS

SCHOOL DAYS KEPT PASSING
DAY BY DAY.

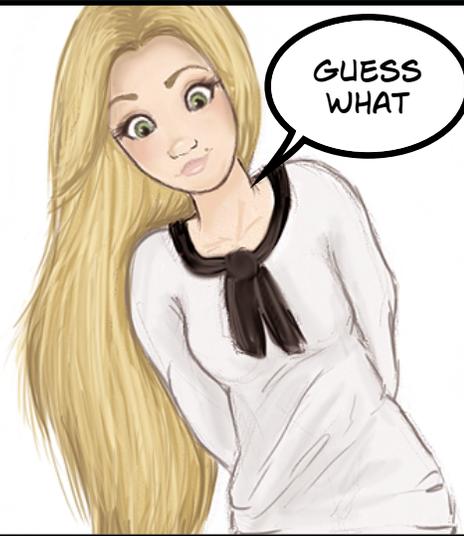


I
SHOULD OF
KNOWN.



I HAVEN'T TALKED TO ERIC RECENTLY.
SUDDENLY, I REALIZED HE FORGOT ABOUT ME.

GUESS
WHAT



MARIA ALWAYS HAD
UNEXPECTED SURPRISES.

WHAT
IS IT
NOW?



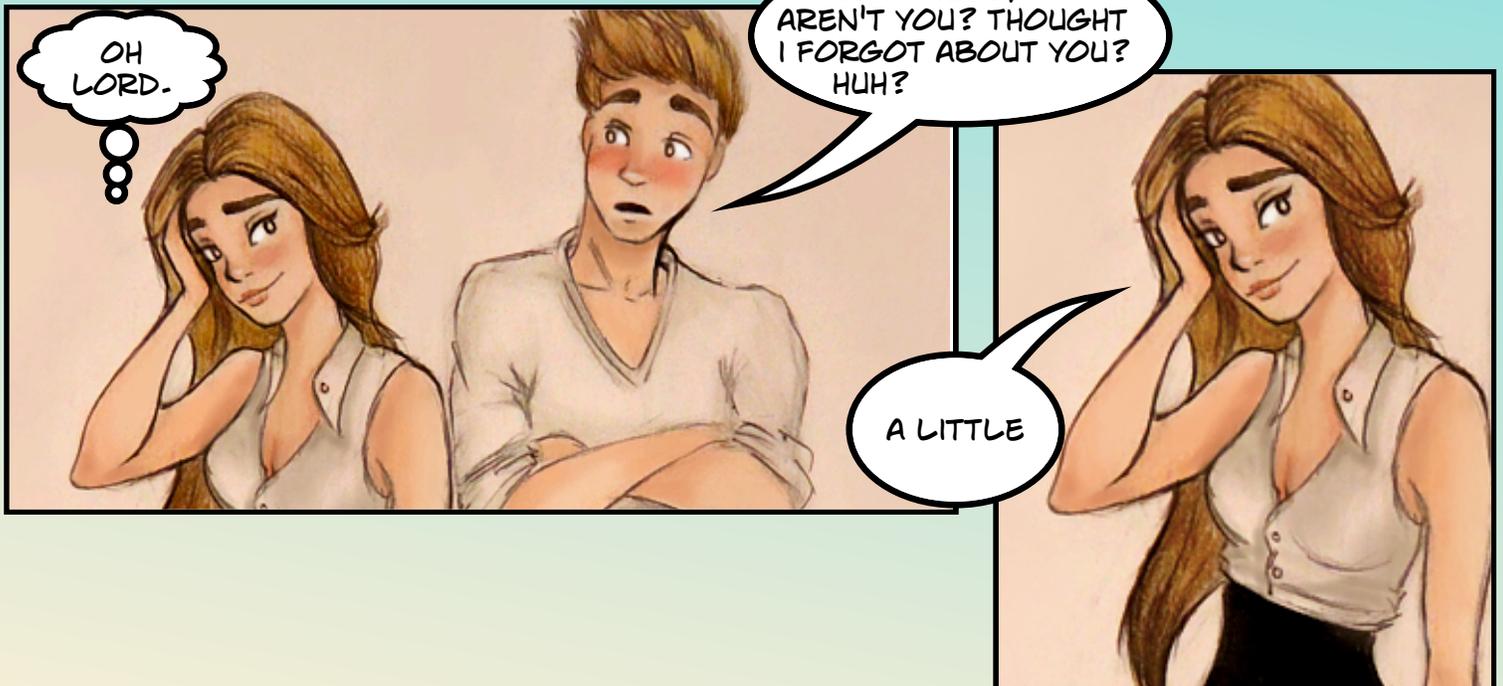
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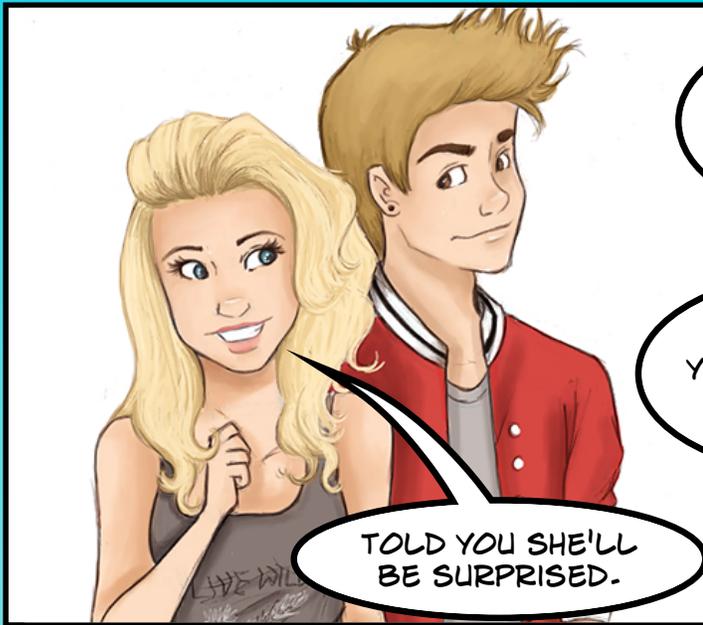


OH
LORD.

SURPRISED,
AREN'T YOU? THOUGHT
I FORGOT ABOUT YOU?
HUH?

A LITTLE





TOLD YOU SHE'LL BE SURPRISED.



YEAH RIGHT, YOUR GLAD TO SEE ME.

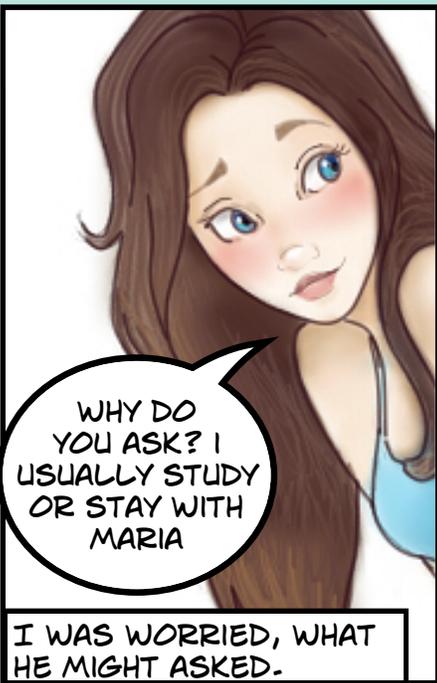
I HAVEN'T FORGOT ABOUT YOU... I WAS JUST FINDING THE RIGHT TIME



NOT REALLY AND RIGHT TIME?



YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND... DO YOU HAVE ANY PLANS TODAY?



WHY DO YOU ASK? I USUALLY STUDY OR STAY WITH MARIA

I WAS WORRIED, WHAT HE MIGHT ASKED.



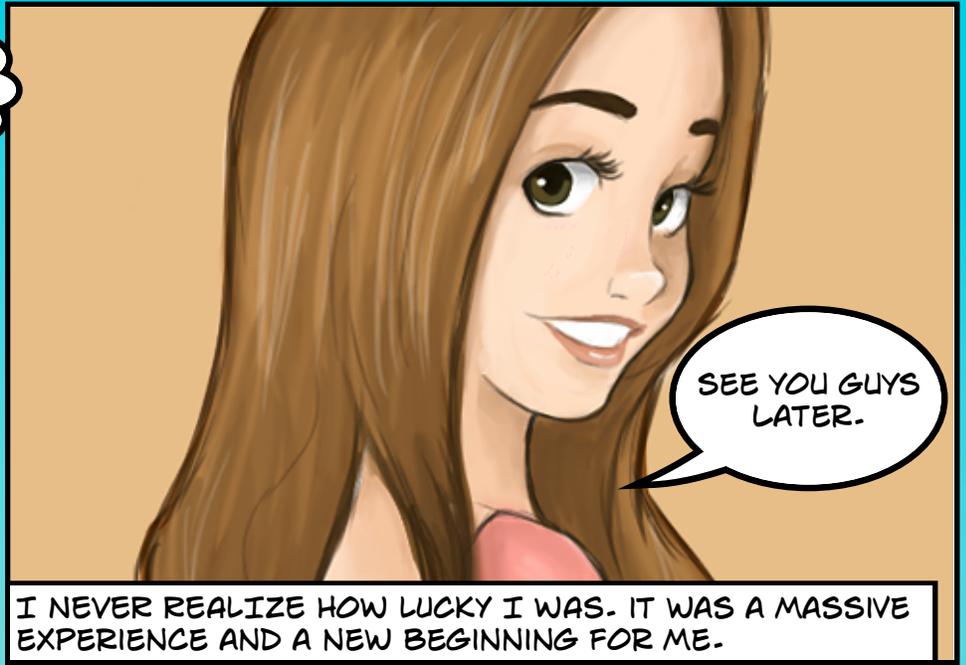
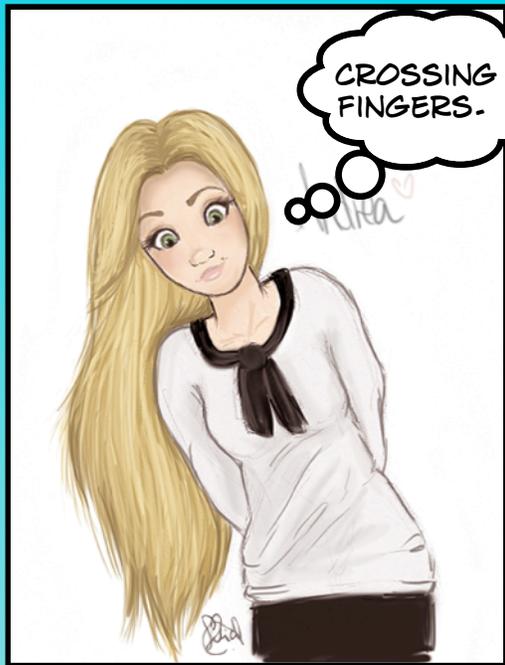
WOULD YOU LIKE TO HANG OUT TODAY?

I DIDN'T REALIZE WHERE THIS WAS GOING BUT IT WAS WORTH IT.



SURE, I GUESS.

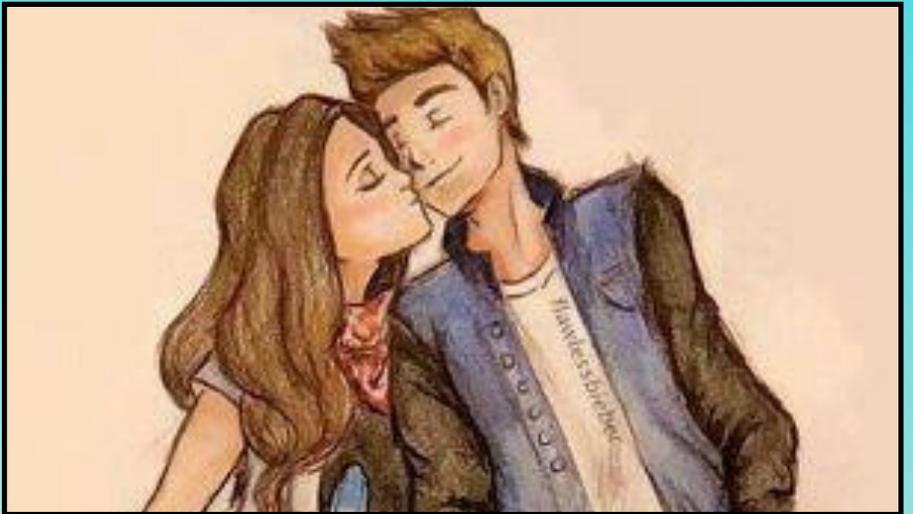
DON'T WORRY EVERYTHING WILL BE FIND.



TIME WENT FLY. MONTHS PASSED BETWEEN ME AND ERIC. THEN SUDDENLY A CLICKED HAPPENED. WE WE'RE FINALLY DATING.



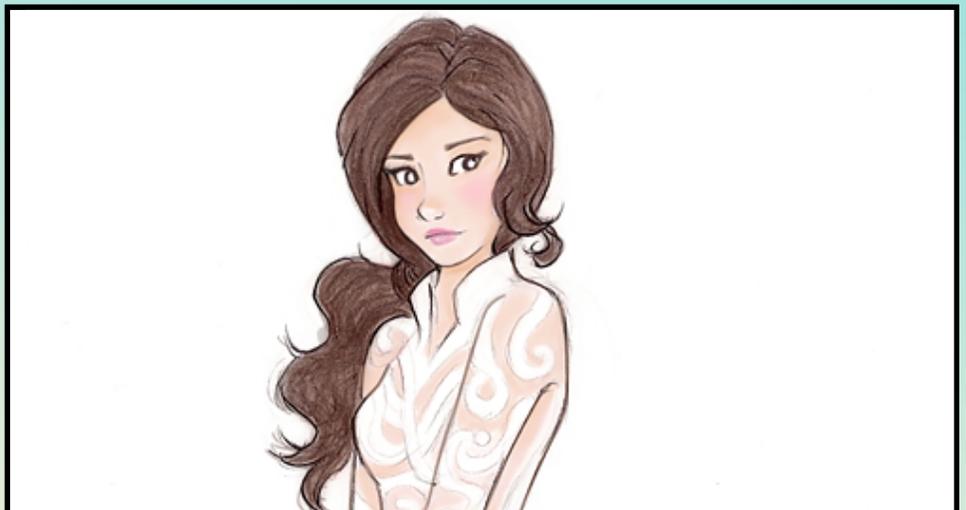
EVERYTHING WENT WELL. THERE WASN'T ANY PROBLEMS BETWEEN US.



ERIC WAS A AMAZING HANDSOME GUY. NOTHING MATTER TO ME IN THE WORLD, WHEN I WAS AROUND HIM.



I WAS TRULY BLESSED THAT I HAD HIM, BY MY SIDE.



I STARTED TO REALIZE, I GAVE ERIC TO MUCH ATTENTION. ERIC WAS ALL I TALKED ABOUT. I BEGAN TO LOSE CONNECTION WITH OTHERS.

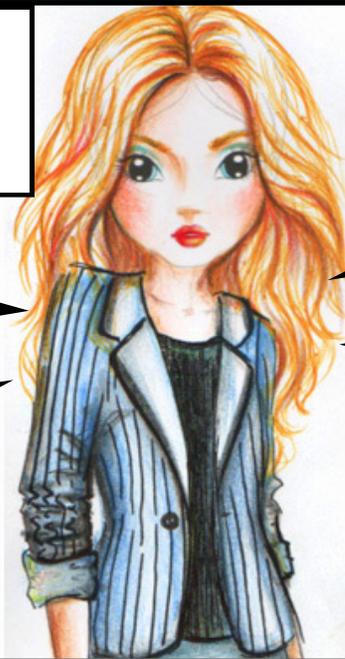
ABOUT 4 MONTHS HAD PASSED IN THE SCHOOL YEAR.



A STRUGGLE I HAD WAS THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN ME AND MARIA.

WITH ERIC AGAIN? I BET SO.

IT'S NOT FAIR.



WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN, JASMINE?

YOU ALWAYS FORGET OUR PLANS TOGETHER.



I'M SORRY.

I FELT GUILTY.

SORRY, IS ALL YOU CAN SAY? DO YOU REMEMBER I'M YOUR'E BEST FRIEND. WE HAD PLANS

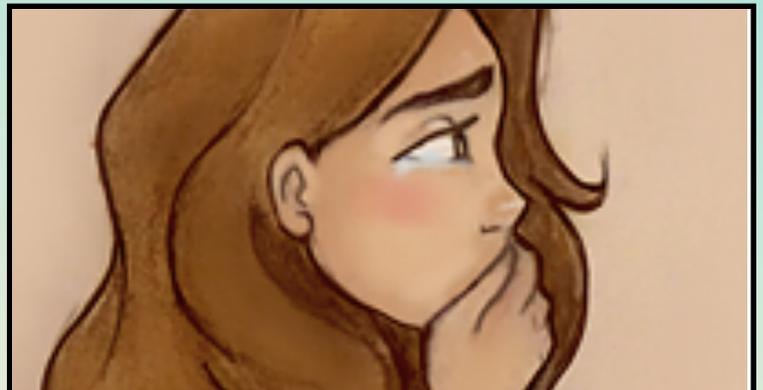


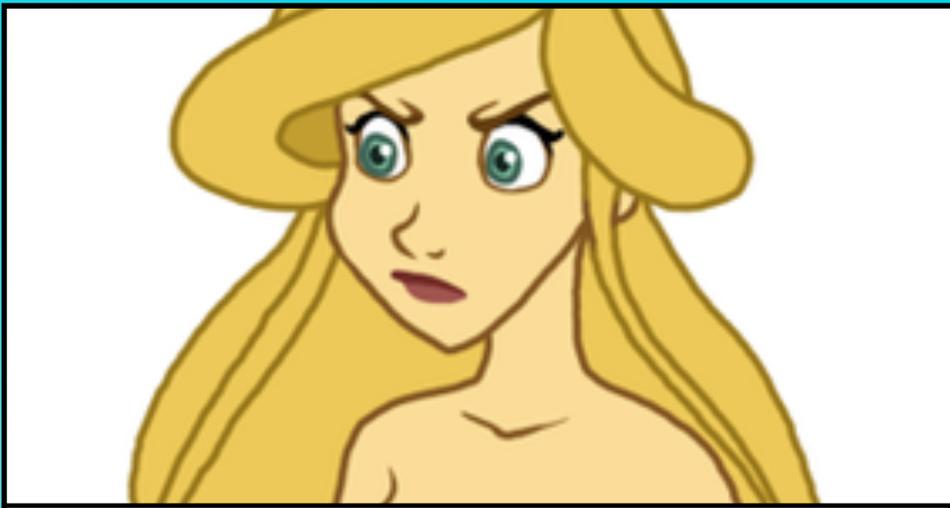
I GUESS, WE CAN'T BE FRIENDS NO MORE. COMPLETELY FORGOT ABOUT ME AND OUR FRIENDSHIP



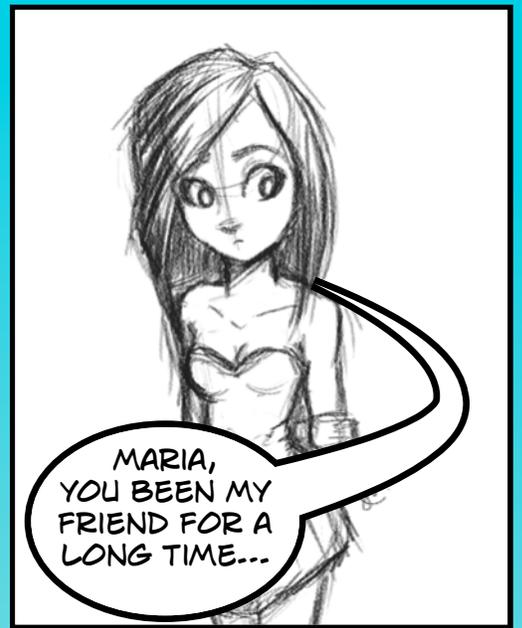
WHAT HAPPEN TO THE JASMINE, I KNOWN? IS SHE STILL THERE?

I WAS SPEECHLESS.





THERE WAS NO WORDS THAT I COULD DESCRIBE AT THE SCENE. JUST TEARS AND THE FRUSTRATION WAS GOING INN.



MARIA,
YOU BEEN MY
FRIEND FOR A
LONG TIME...



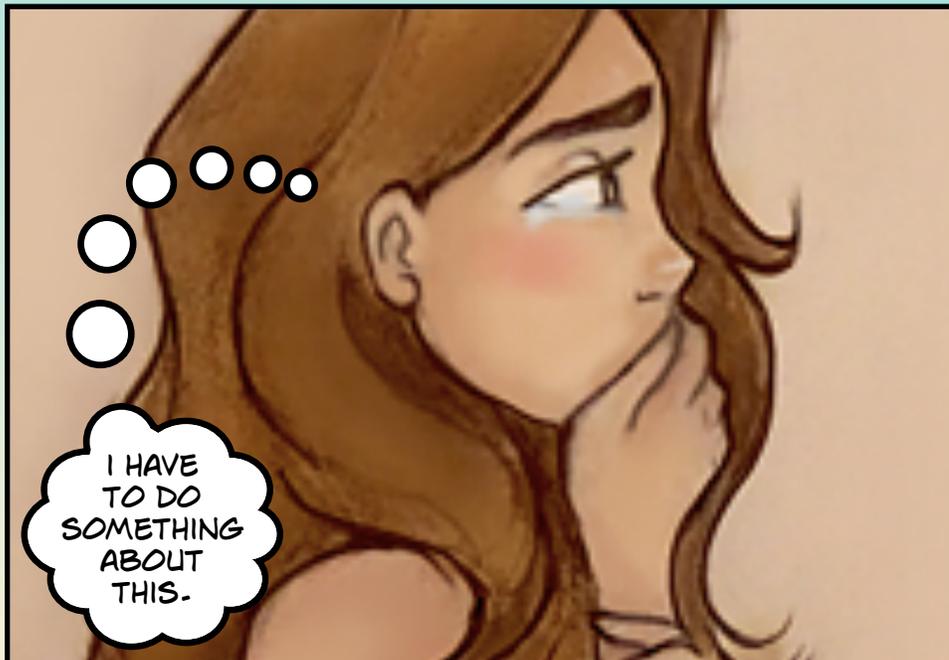
IT'S
GONE
NOW. IT'S
OVER

I TRIED
TO TALKED
TO YOU. YOU
NEVER PAYED
ATTENTION.

I
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THIS.

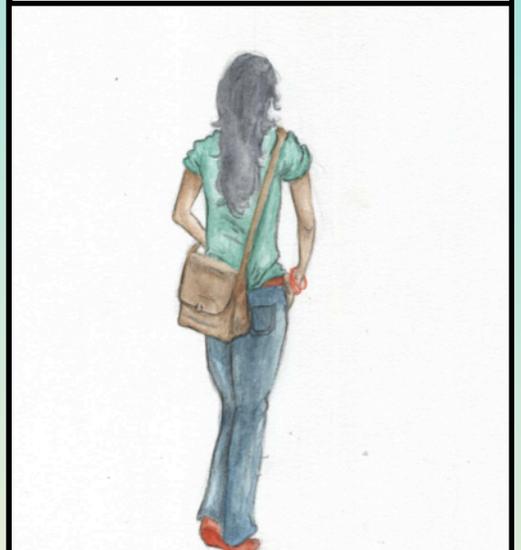
I THOUGHT
FRIENDS WERE FIRST.
I WAS THE ONE WHO GOT
YOU AND ERIC TOGETHER
TO MAKE YOU HAPPY. I
REGRET PUTTING YOU
GUYS TOGETHER. YOU
LEFT ME.

THERE'S
NOTHING YOU
CAN DO.



I HAVE
TO DO
SOMETHING
ABOUT
THIS.

YOU DON'T REALIZE WHAT YOU
GOT TILL IT'S ALL GONE. I
WAS FRIEND-LESS.



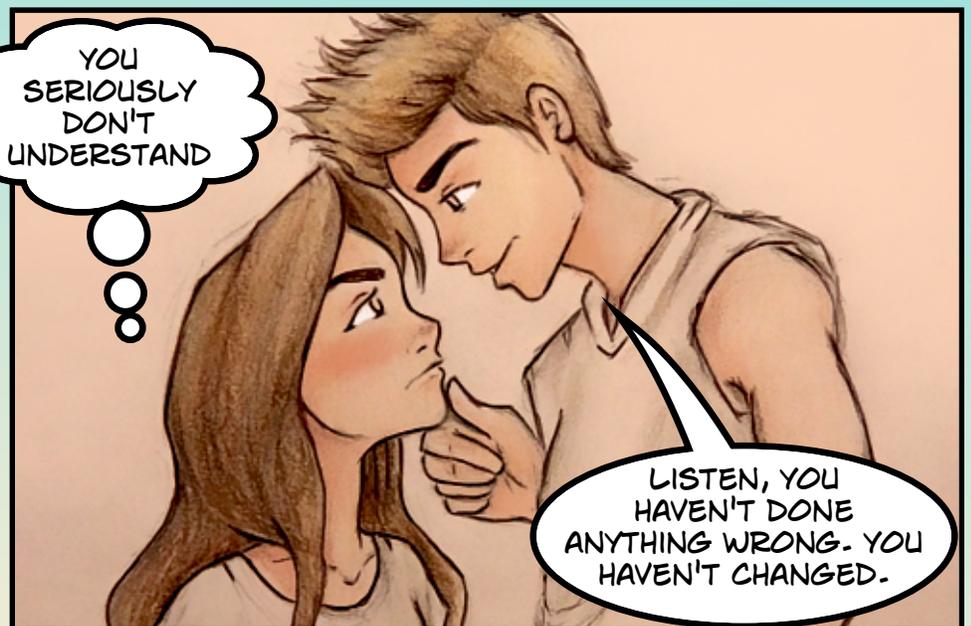
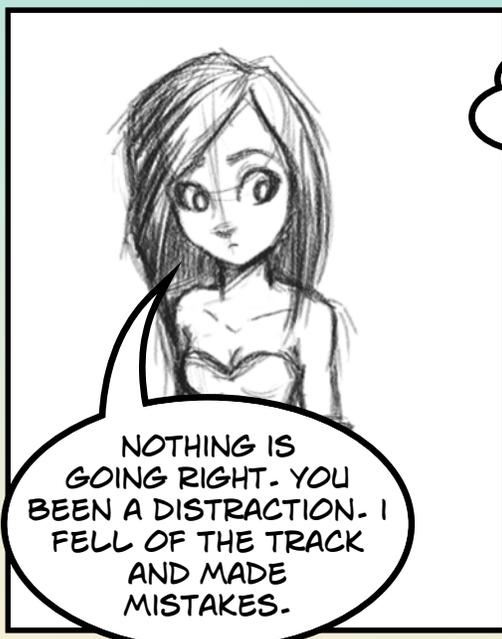
THERES TWO PATHS TO SOLVE THIS SITUATIONS MARIA OR ERIC?



I DIDN'T LIKE WHERE THIS WAS GOING. BUT IT WAS THE ONLY CHOICE I HAD, TO GET MARIA BACK.



I SEEN ERIC, THE NEXT DAY. THINGS WERE ABOUT TO GET SERIOUS.





WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY? JUST SAY IT.

I THINK IT'S TIME TO BREAK UP.

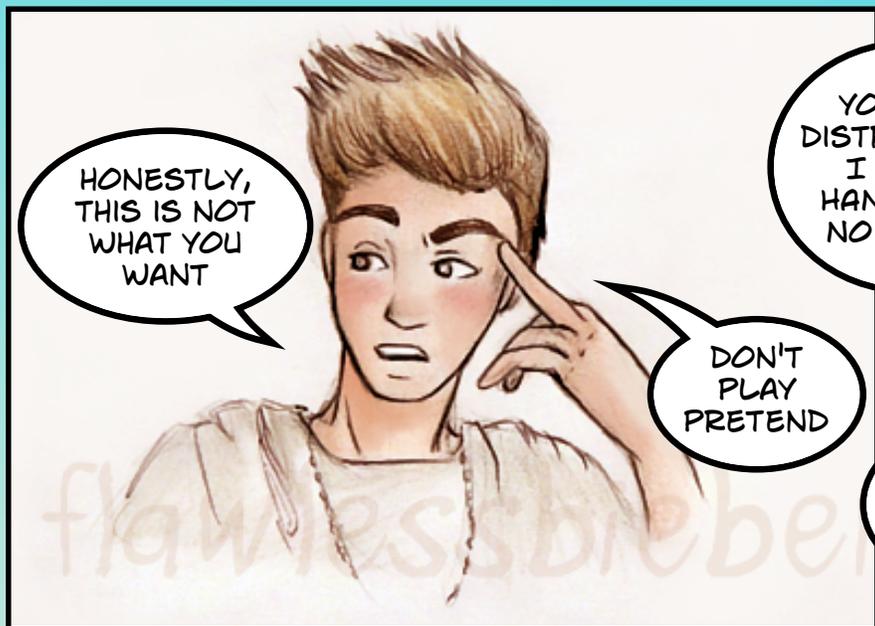
LIES.



NO, YOU DON'T. YOU'RE LYING. I KNOW YOU. THIS ISN'T WHAT YOU WANT.



THIS BEGAN TO GET WORSER.



HONESTLY, THIS IS NOT WHAT YOU WANT

YOU'RE A DISTRACTION. I CAN'T HANDLE IT NO MORE.

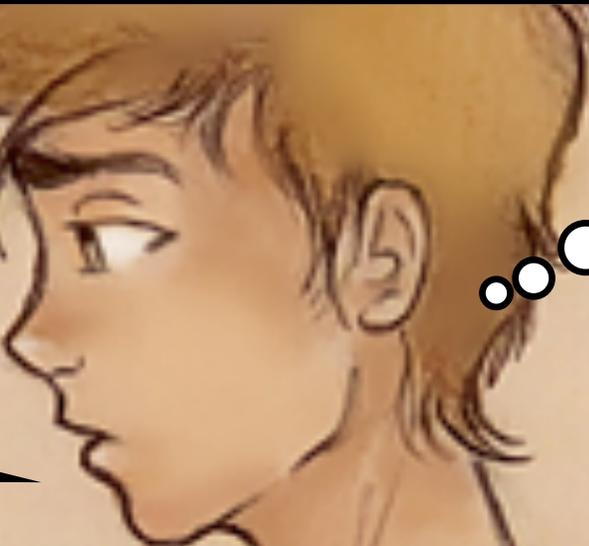
DON'T PLAY PRETEND



I CAN'T DEAL WITH YOU NO MORE. ITS OVER.

IF THIS IS WHAT YOU WANT. THEN IT'S OVER. BUT YOU STILL HAVEN'T GAVE ME A EXACT EXPLANATION.

CALL ME WHEN YOU HAVE THE ANSWER.

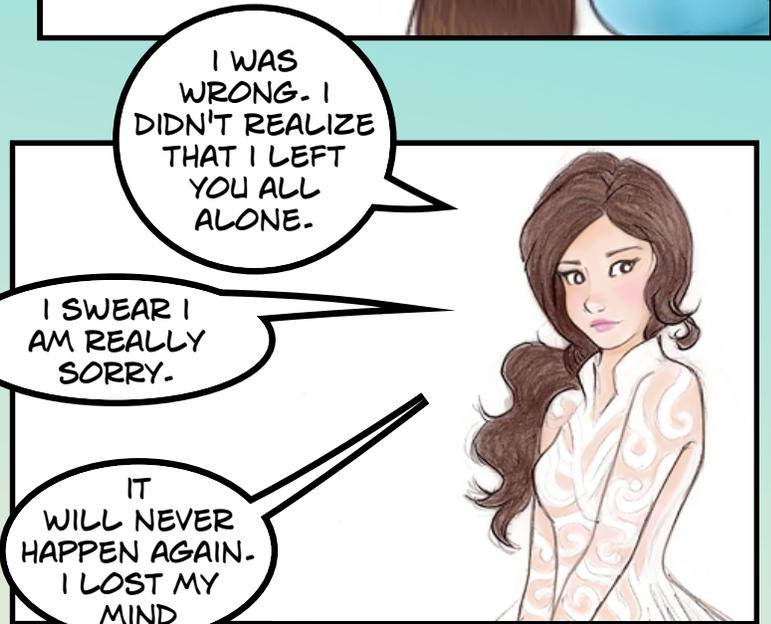
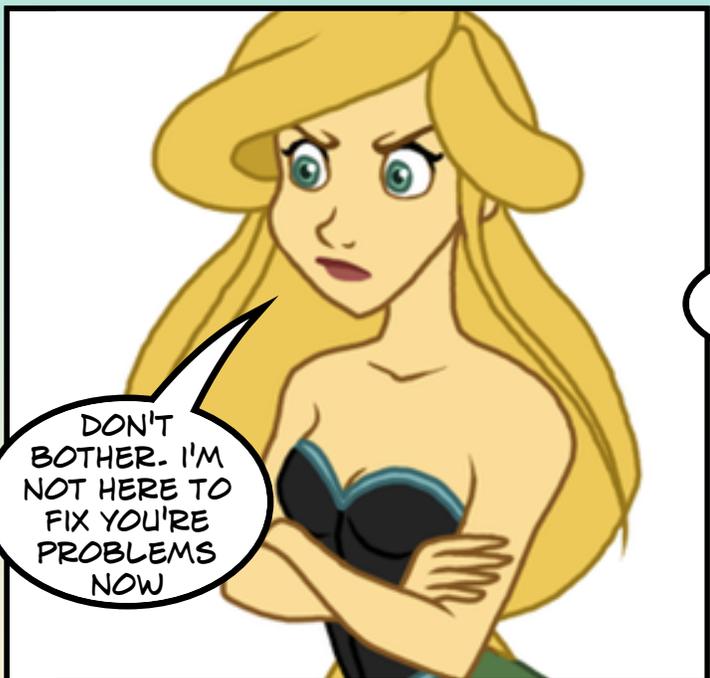
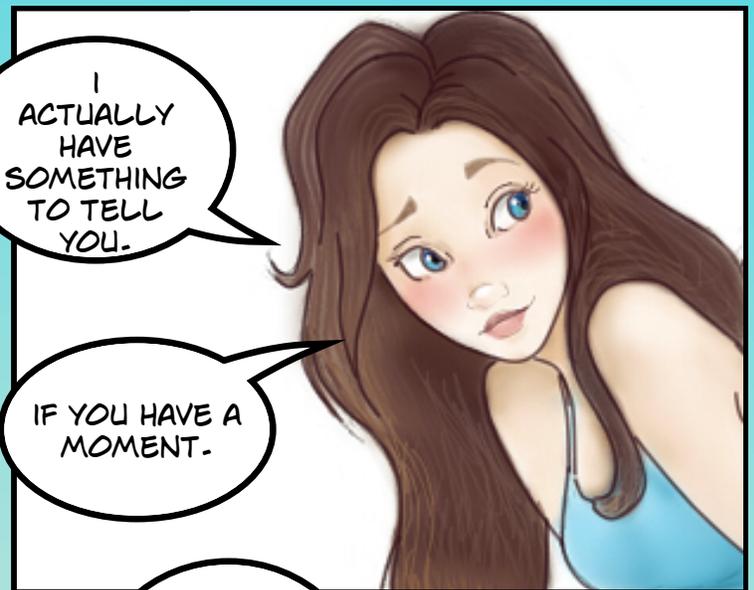
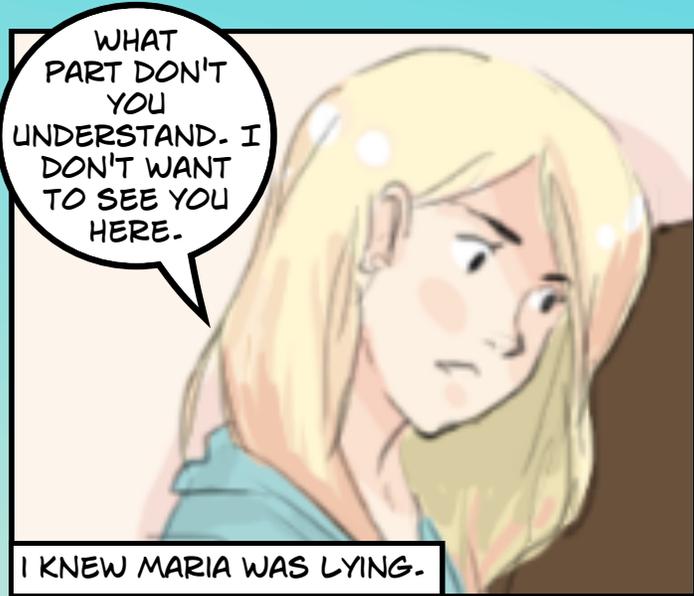
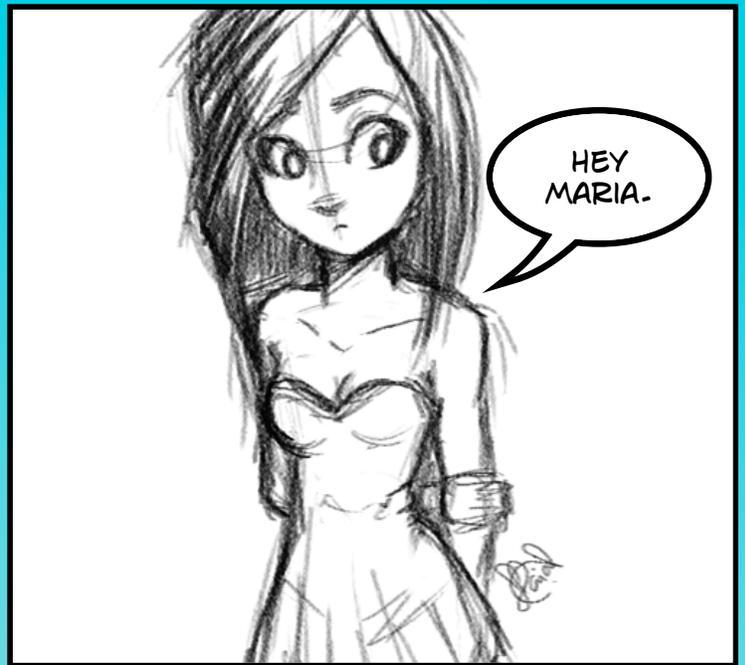


I KNOW THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG .

I FINALLY LEFT HIM. I CHOSEN MARIA. NOW IT WAS TIME TO GET MY BEST FRIEND BACK

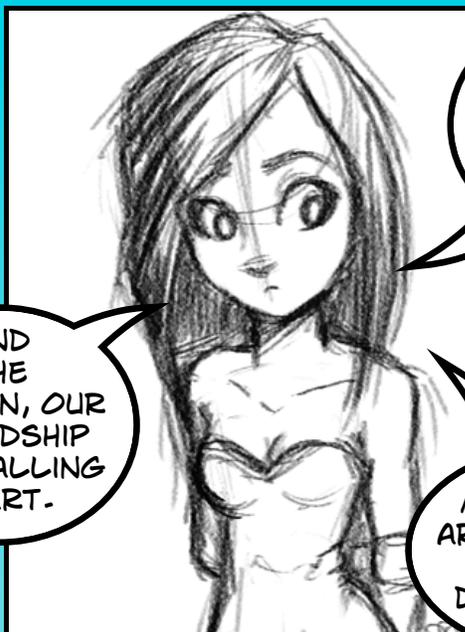


I WAS ON MY WAY TO SEE MARIA AND CLEAR THINGS OUT. I WAS BOYFRIENDLESS. ALL I CARED ABOUT WAS MARIA. I SCREW UP BIG TIME. NOW IT'S TIME TO SOLVE MY PROBLEMS.





I WAS ALONE.



THAT'S WHY I CHOSEN YOU. YOU MATTER TO ME THE MOST.

AND THE REASON, OUR FRIENDSHIP WAS FALLING APART.

ME AND ERIC ARE OVER. ERIC WAS A DISTRACTION.

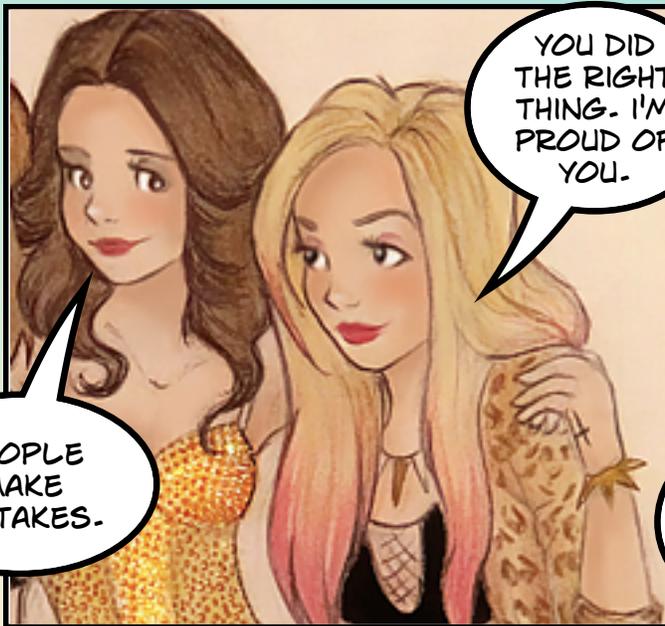


WHAT?

ARE YOU OKAY?

MARIA, YOU'RE MY BEST FRIEND. I DON'T EVER WANT TO CHANGE THAT

I WILL NEVER LET A BOY GET INTO OUR FRIENDSHIP, EVER AGAIN



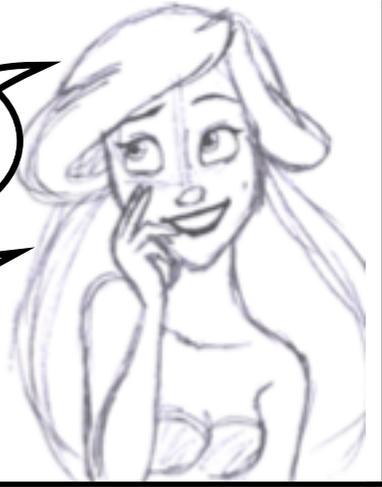
PEOPLE MAKE MISTAKES.

YOU DID THE RIGHT THING. I'M PROUD OF YOU.

THE IMPORTANT PART WAS THAT MARIA FORGIVE ME BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, I STILL HAD FEELINGS FOR ERIC.

YOU GOT MARIA BACK, ON YOUR SIDE NOW

JUST PROMISE ME THAT WILL NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN



DAYS HAD PASSED. THINGS HAVEN'T BEEN SOLVED BETWEEN ERIC.

I WONDER WHERE HE IS?

I BEGAN TO SEARCH FOR HIM.

I BEEN WAITING FOR YOU.

IT WAS A STRUGGLE.

ERIC WAS OUTSIDE OF HIS HOUSE.

ME?

I JUST CAME HERE TO STOP BY.

YOU WERE LYING THIS WHOLE TIME. I KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU AND MARIA.

LET'S START FRESH.

MARIA, MIGHT OF TOLD HIM.

LYING?

HE PULLS ME CLOSE TO GET HIS ATTENTION.

WE ALL MAKE MISTAKES.

I DIDN'T WANT TO LOSE MY BEST FRIEND. I MESSED UP.

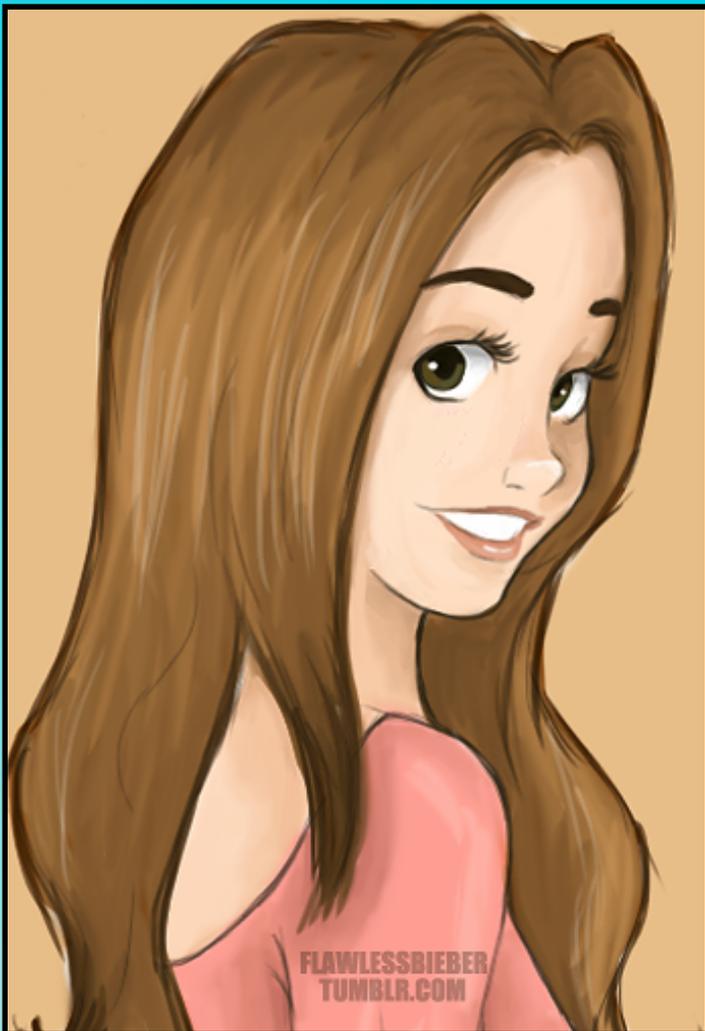
IT'S A NEW BEGINNING NOW

YOU HAVE A GOOD FRIEND. THAT LOOKS OUT FOR YOU.

YOU MEAN BEST FRIEND.

AND YES, MARIA TOLD ME. MARIA DIDN'T WANT TO BE THE REASON FOR OUR LOVE TO BE KILLED.

IT WAS A NEW BEGINNING. ALL THANKS TO MARIA.



I LEARN MY LESSON, FOR SURE. I GOT MY BEST FRIEND BACK.



AND I ALSO GOT THE ONE THAT I LOVE BY MY SIDE.

I REALIZED PEOPLE MAKE MISTAKES. SO, HOW DOES SOMEONE GO FROM BEING A TOGETHER PERSON TO SOMEONE WHERE EVERYTHING FALLS APART? YOU JUST HAVE TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS FOR YOURSELF OR OTHERWISE IT BEGINS TO BE A SITUATION.



I GOT BACK ON TRACK WITH MY SCHOOL WORK AND ORGANIZING MY TIME WITH ERIC AND MARIA. IT IS ALWAYS OKAY TO MAKE A MISTAKE AND REALIZE YOUR SURROUNDINGS AND NOTICE WHO ARE THERE FOR YOU.