



WATER
CATCHES
FIRE



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CHAPTER 1



ST. Elements was one of the most renowned university in the town. All the major elements of the universe like fire, water, smoke, plant, etc. went to this university. This place teaches the elements to furnish their skills and apply all the various tactics that align with the element's characters.

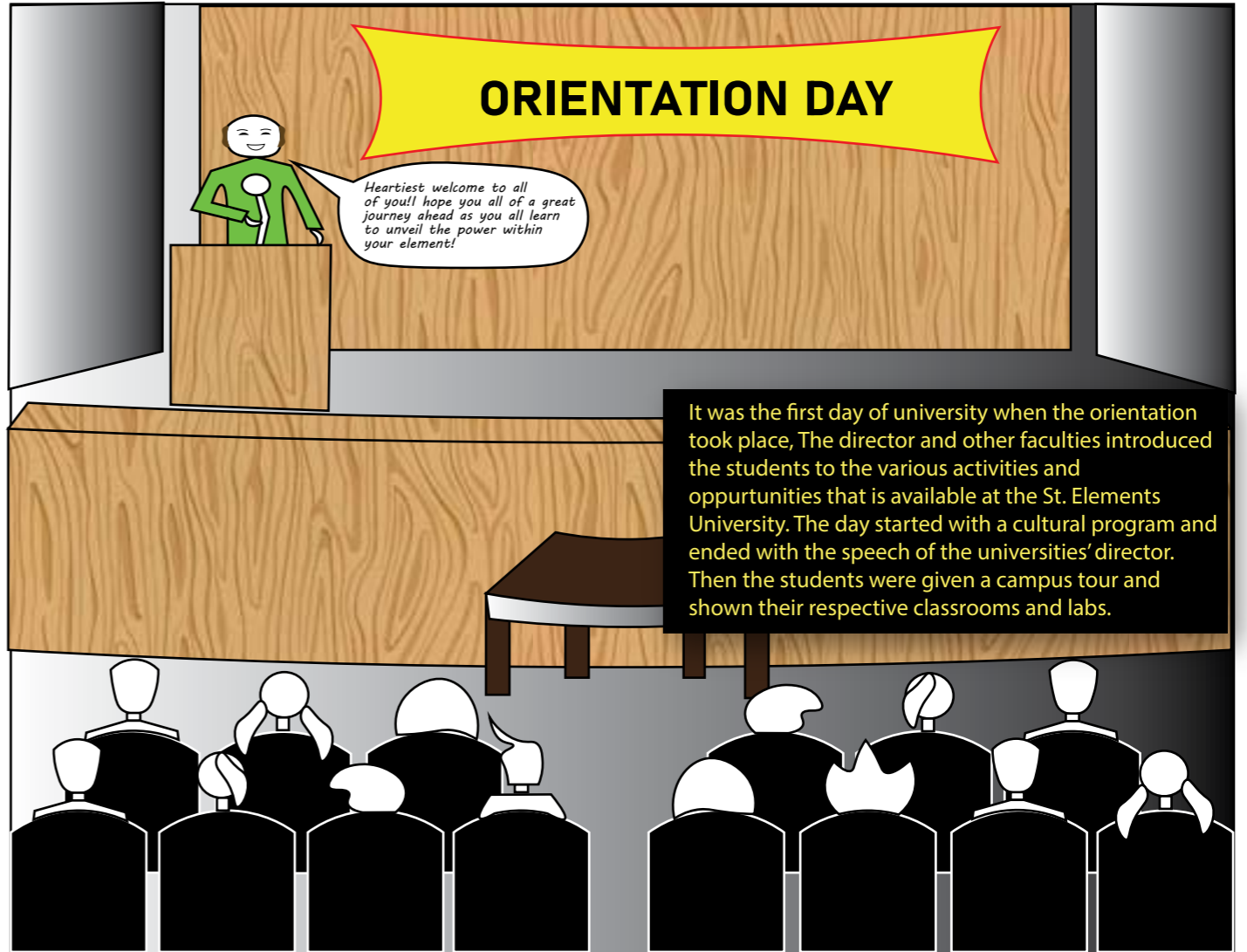


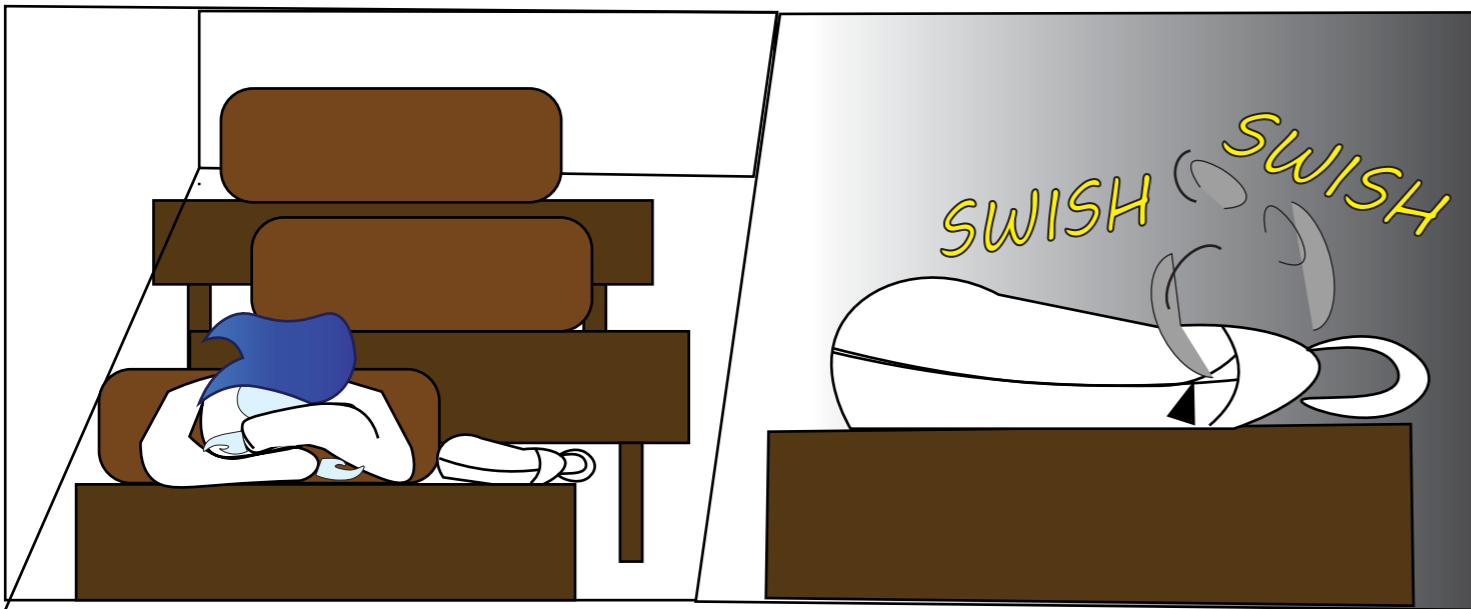
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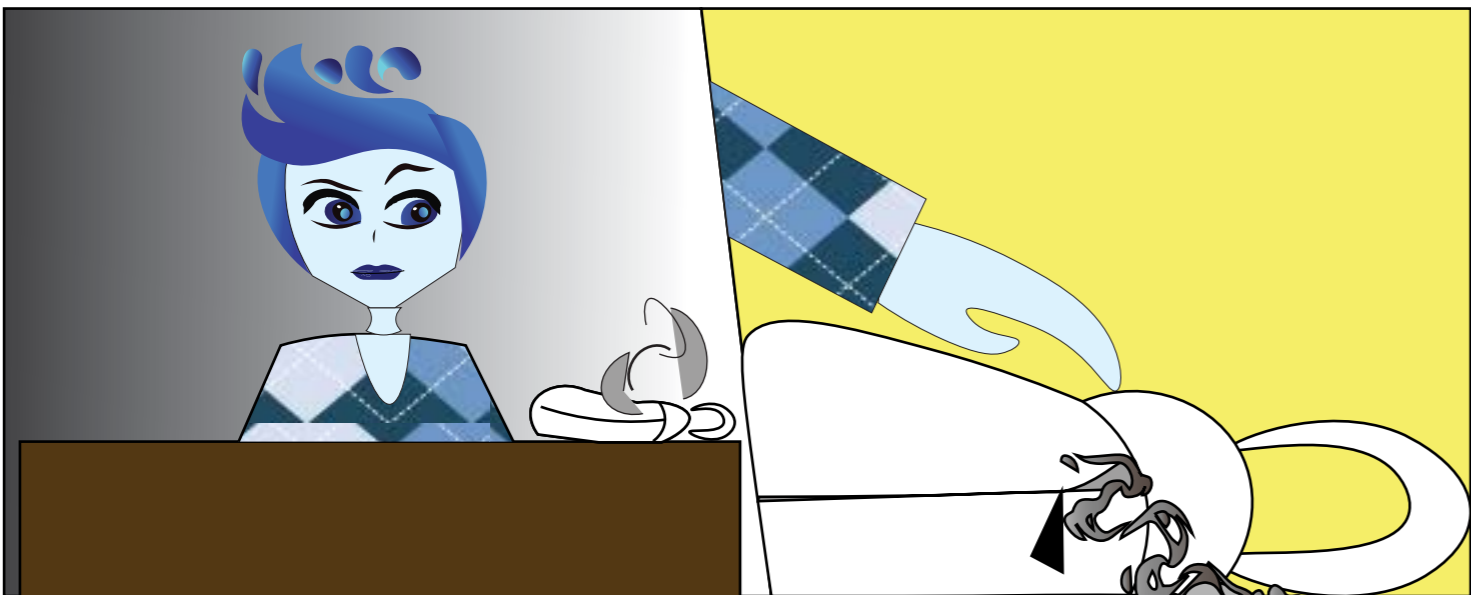
Heartiest welcome to all of you! hope you all of a great journey ahead as you all learn to unveil the power within your element!

It was the first day of university when the orientation took place, The director and other faculties introduced the students to the various activities and opportunities that is available at the St. Elements University. The day started with a cultural program and ended with the speech of the universities' director. Then the students were given a campus tour and shown their respective classrooms and labs.

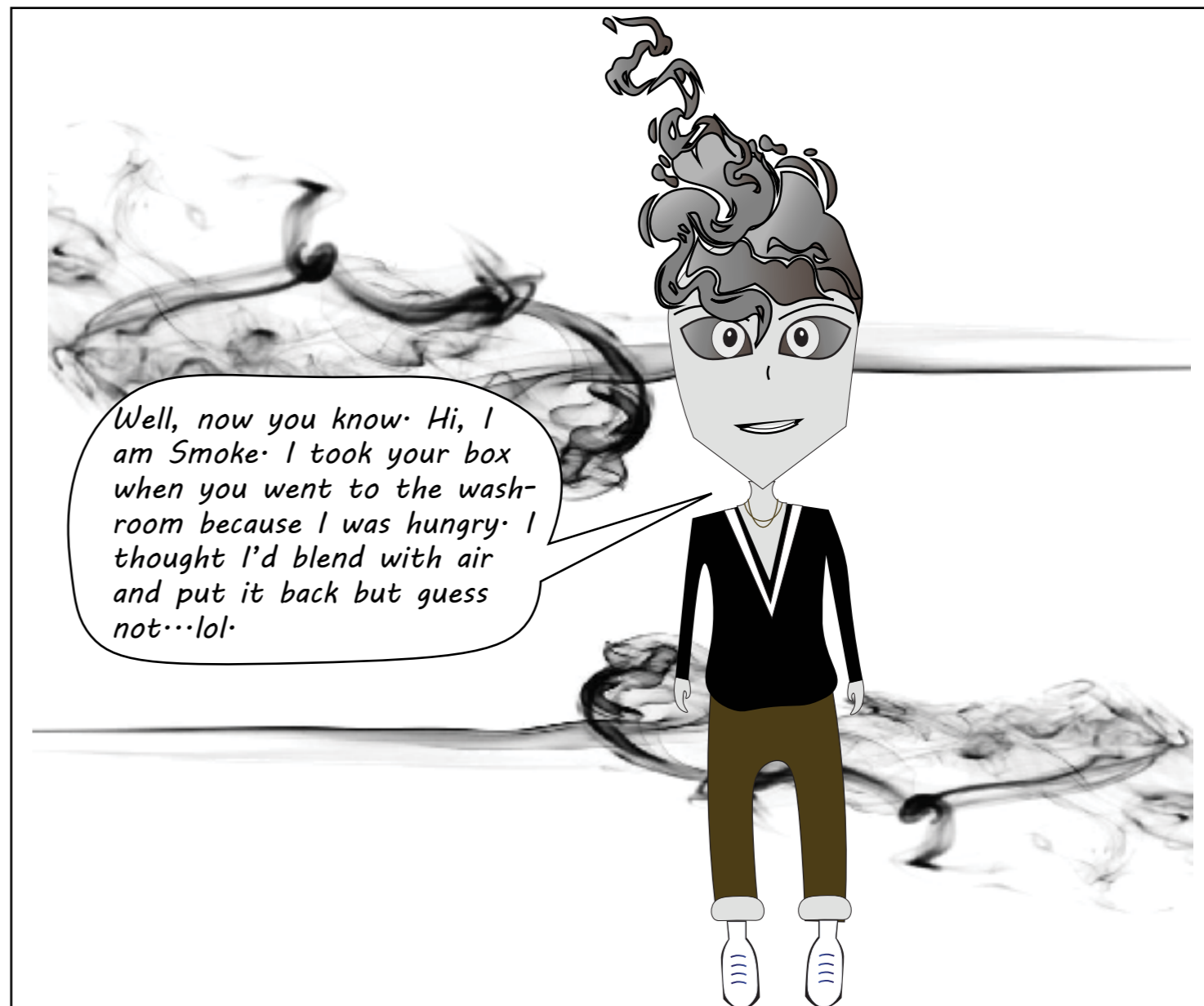
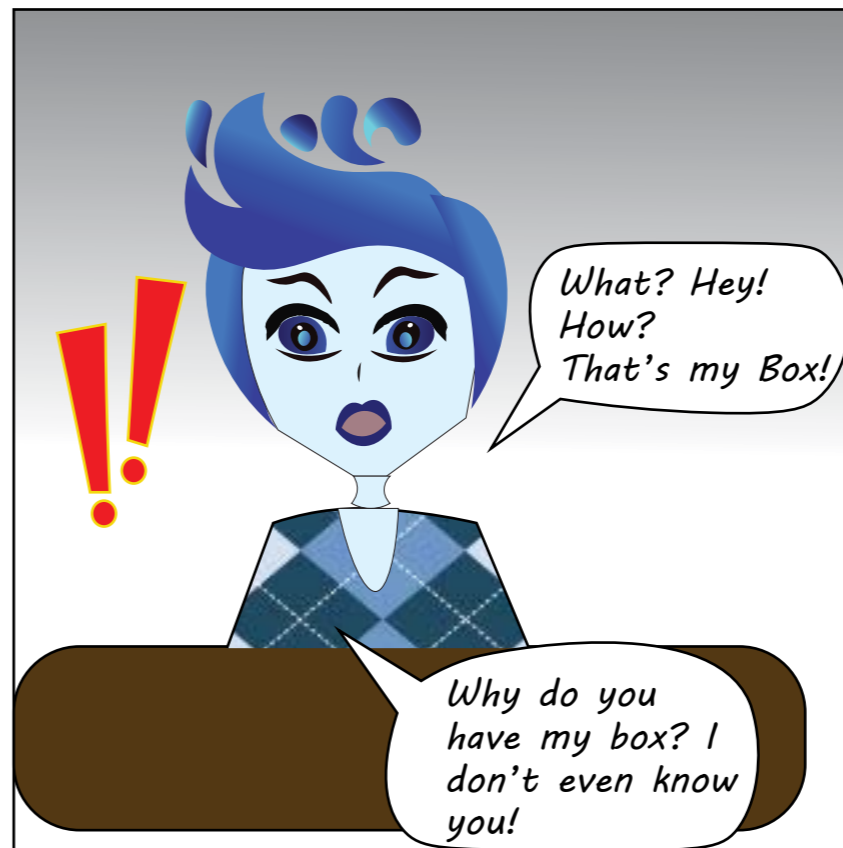


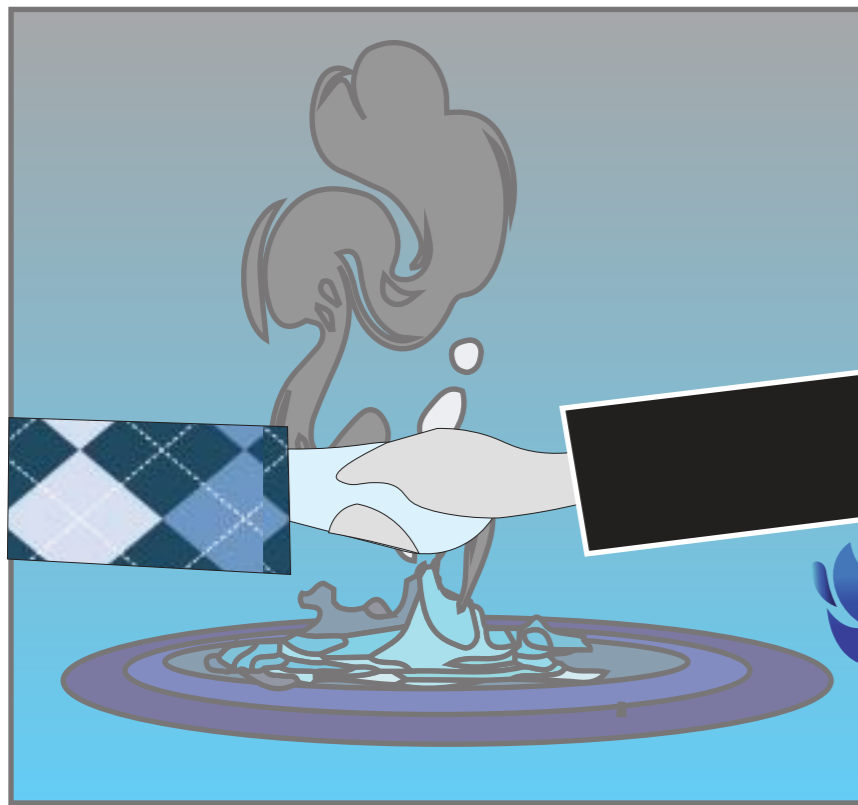


One day when one of the elemental students called Water was taking rest in his recess time, heard a ruffling sound coming from his bag. Water belonged to the family of Poseidon. He had a understanding and amicable nature.



Water could not figure out what the ruffling noise was so he reached towards his bag thinking it was some insect. Then only another student emerged from thin air with trail of smoke connecting him to the bag and a lunch box in his hand. This student was called Smoke. He belonged to the family of air and his elemental power included vanishing and teleportation.





Given Smoke's humorous nature and Water's understanding, lively nature, they soon became close friends.



Wow! Who is she? She is hot bro...

What a groundbreaking realisation...obviously she is! She is Fire from the family of Hephaestus. Being hot is her entire personality.



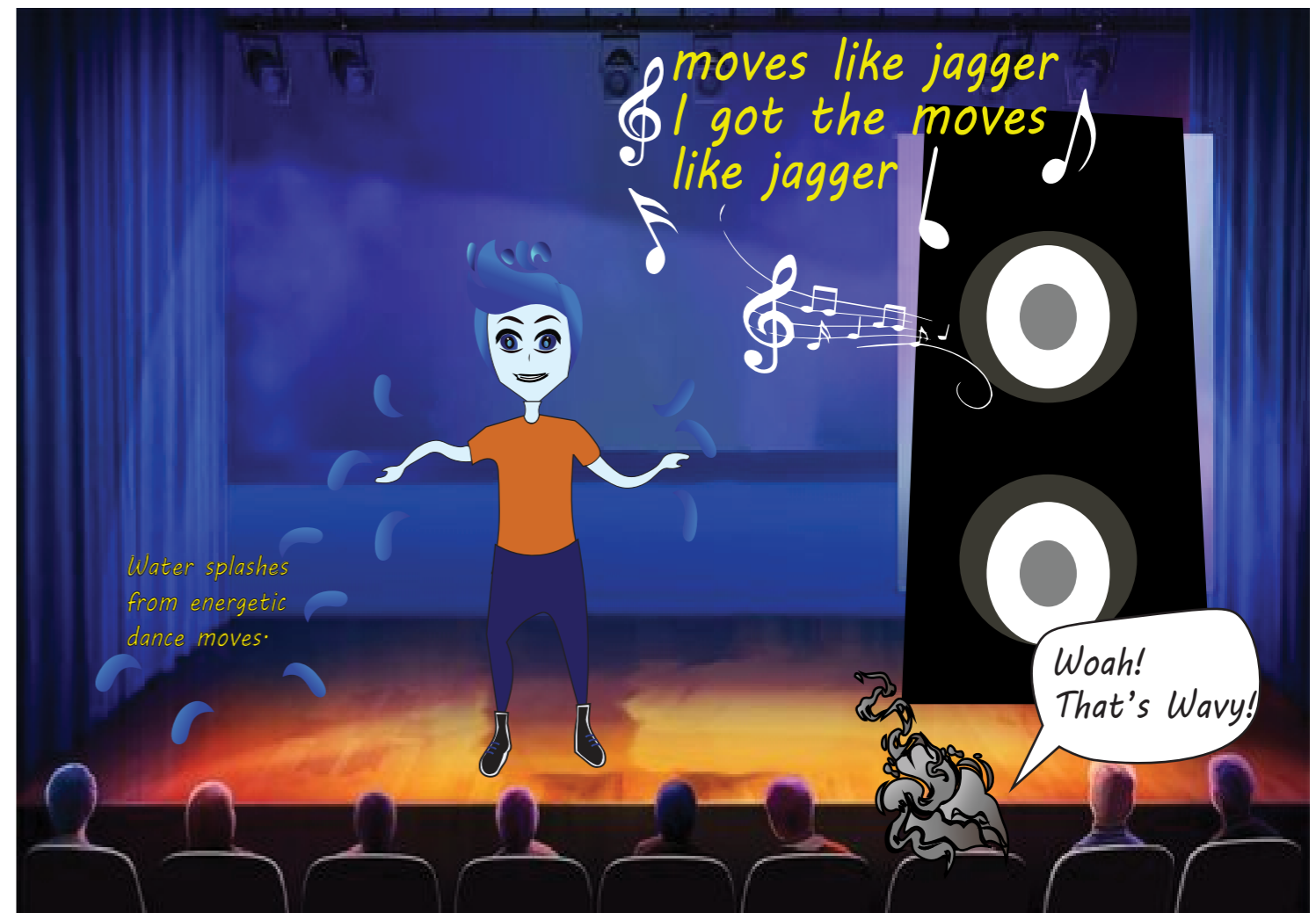
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Water fell in daze everytime he saw Fire because he had fallen for her. Henceforth, he tried many tricks and techniques to impress her with Smoke as his wingman.



CHAPTER 2

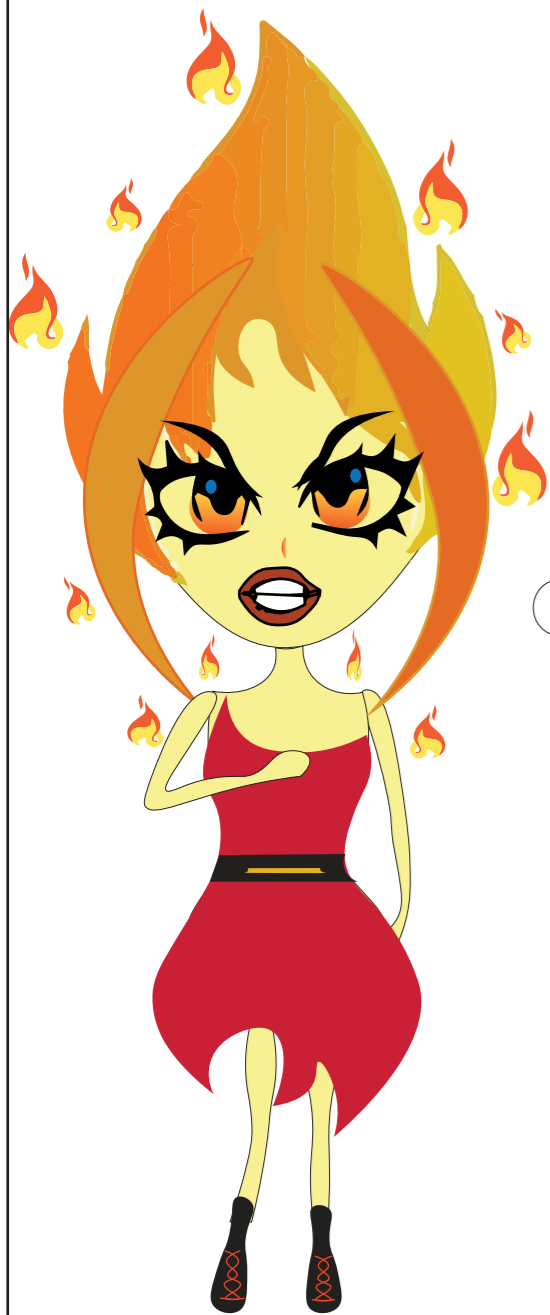




Water had participated in a dance event to impress Fire. As he danced many cheered for him so he started dancing with more energy. This resulted in water getting splashed as his water aura took power. But these splashes of water fell on the audience including Fire.



Given the contrary nature of Water and Fire, the water splashes hurt her. This crossed her. She was vexed with Water. Hence being irritated, Fire angrily got up and left the event.



I don't want to be mad at Water but how does he get on my nerves so effortlessly all the time?!?!?!?

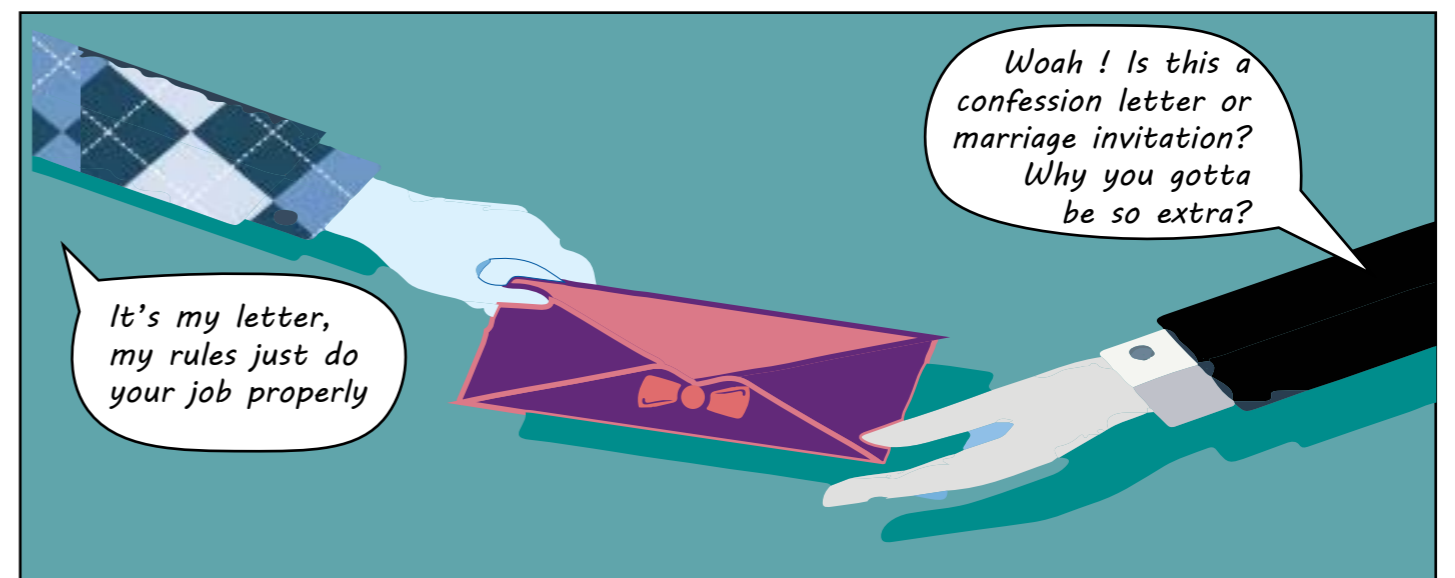
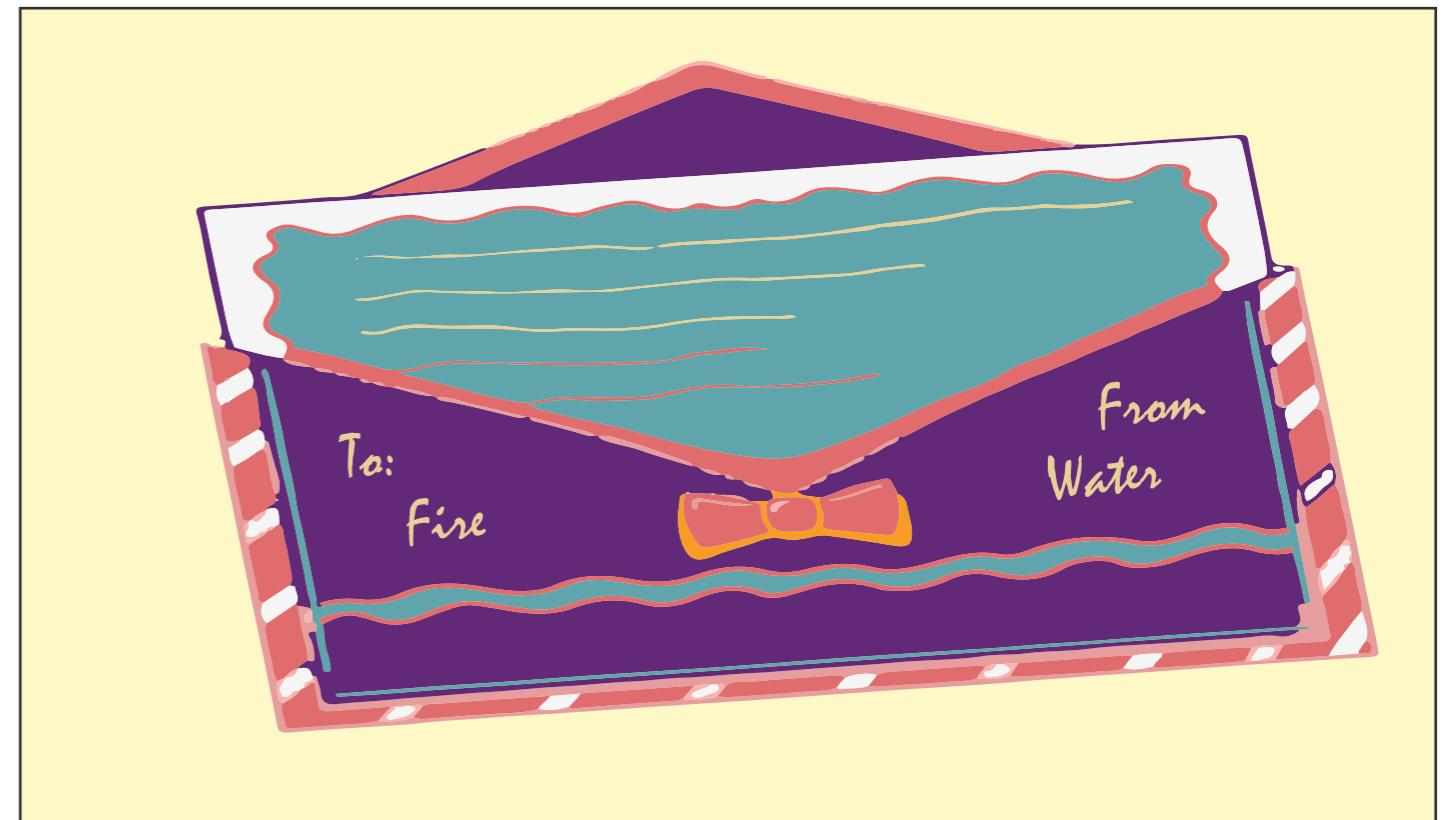
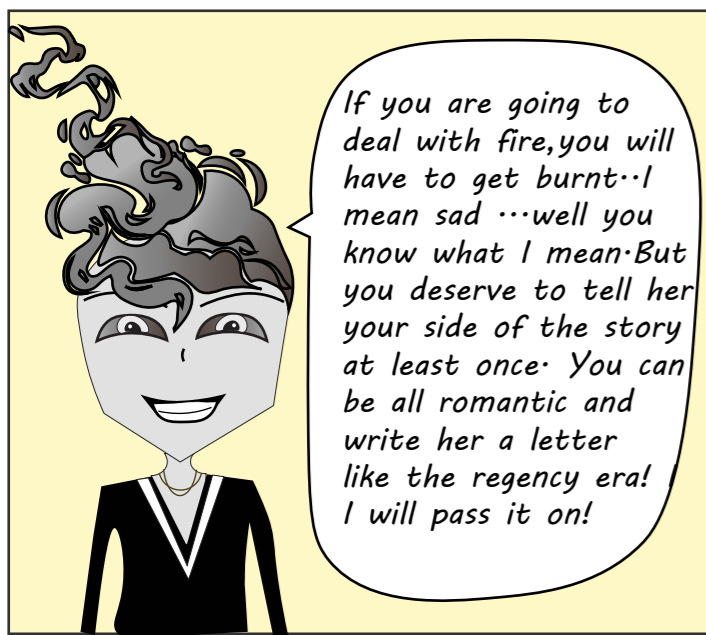
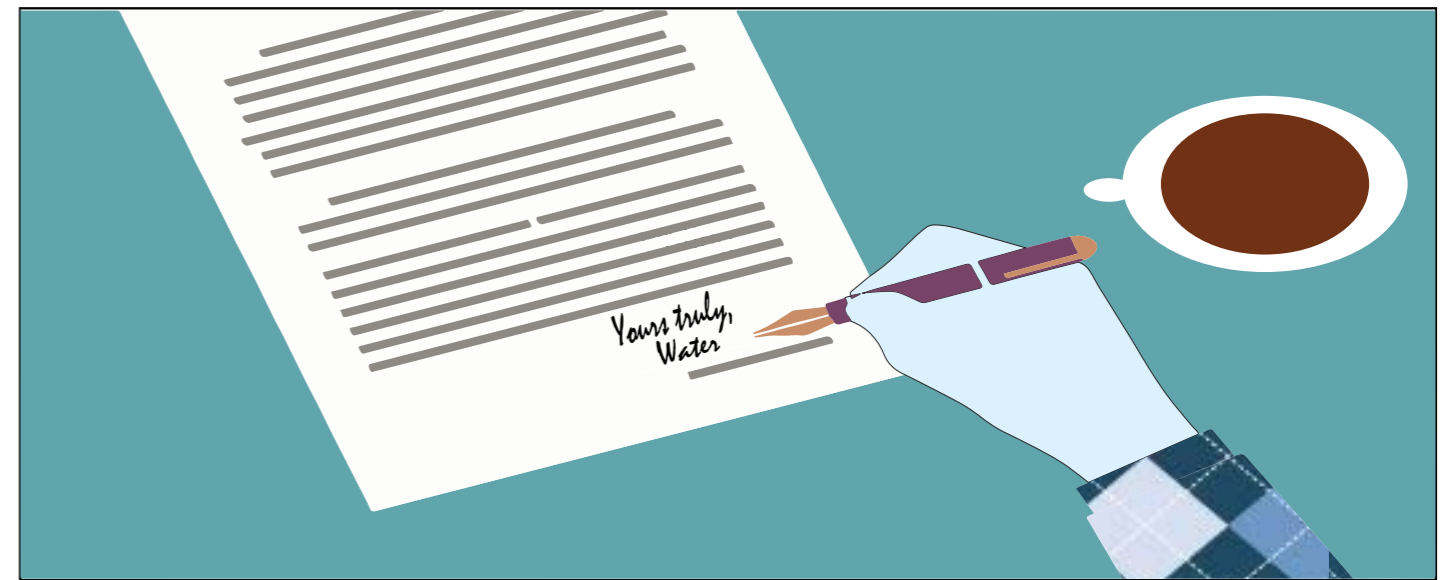


Dejected and sad, Water sat by himself not knowing how to deal with the situation. He was pondering in isolation till he heard some ruffling noise coming from the bush.



Water quickly guessed what or rather who it was. Smoke emerged from thin air.





CHAPTER 3



Smoke tried to find Fire to pass on Water's letter to her but could not find her all day long. Instead he came across Plant who was Fire's best friend. Plant came down from the family of Demeter. Smoke saw her in the hallway of their university. Smoke and Plant were close friends and had a love-hate relationship. But Smoke knew he could always trust her with important work.





It must be tiring to make people laugh all the time.

No because you are the joke.

At least, now you admit that I am funny.

Says the green meme herself. Anyway listen, I need you to convey something important to Fire since besties and all.

Their playful banter went on for a while and then Smoke explained Water's situation to her. He requested her to pass on the letter to Fire on Water's behalf and to help Fire understand Water's feelings. Plant was hesitant knowing Fire did not even like hearing his name, let alone take his letter. She was herself new to the information of Water's feeling. Plant was scared and doubtful of being the messenger.



Poor Water. Out of all the elements, it had to be Fire for him.

What if Smoke is just playing one of his silly pranks? Is this even true?

I am afraid of her though I am close to her. What if she gets mad at me too?

I feel so conflicted. I'll just give her the letter and give this a try.



This is a letter from Water, don't get mad please just go through it.

A letter? That's ironically new.

Plant passed on the letter to Fire. After reading the letter, Fire's perspective changed. She was surprised and felt guilty about staying angry. Fire started noticing all the nice and kind factors of Water. Slowly, she started getting fond of him.



Water is so cute! I wish I could tell him how much I like him.

We are complete opposites. We can never be a healthy couple.

All failed attempts of Water to impress Fire made her laugh now. Fire started developing feelings for Water in no time but she knew it would never work out between them. Their nature of being were highly incompatible and harmful for each other. So she suppressed her emotions and protected Water from afar. She would not let anybody mess with him or take advantage of his kind nature.



Hey Water, why are you always wearing the same old-fashioned clothes like a loser all the time?

Leave me alone, just let me be!

If you want us to let you be then make sure you do our practicals for the next class else we will make sure you are boycotted from the annual concert.



God they are disturbing Water again and taking advantage of his kind nature. Let me use my elemental tricks to show them how it feels to get annoyed.

Woah bro your file is on fire!

Jesus how can this happen? God get water! Or let's go out and take care of this ugh.



Saw what you did there haha. No wonder we are related I get mad too when someone messes with Water.

We are related?

Serves him right huh! How dare they mess with my Water?

Yes I literally was created by your destructive skills.



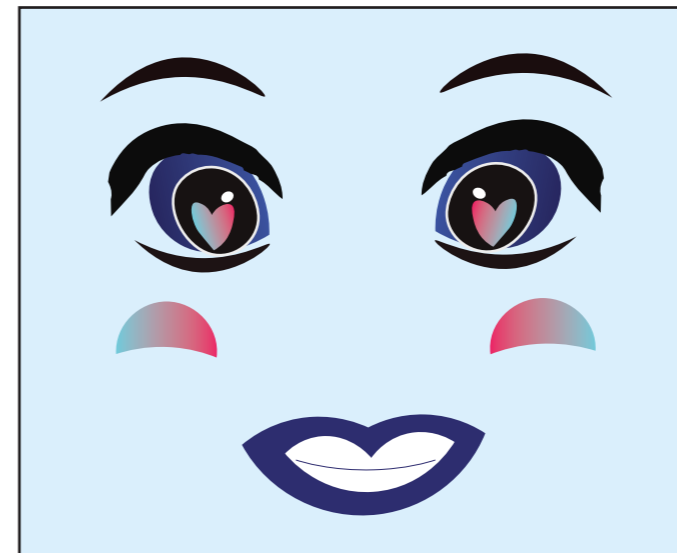
Why do I keep wanting to protect Fire? Are my feelings for him only growing deeper?

It can't keep going like this. What should I do? Should I tell him?

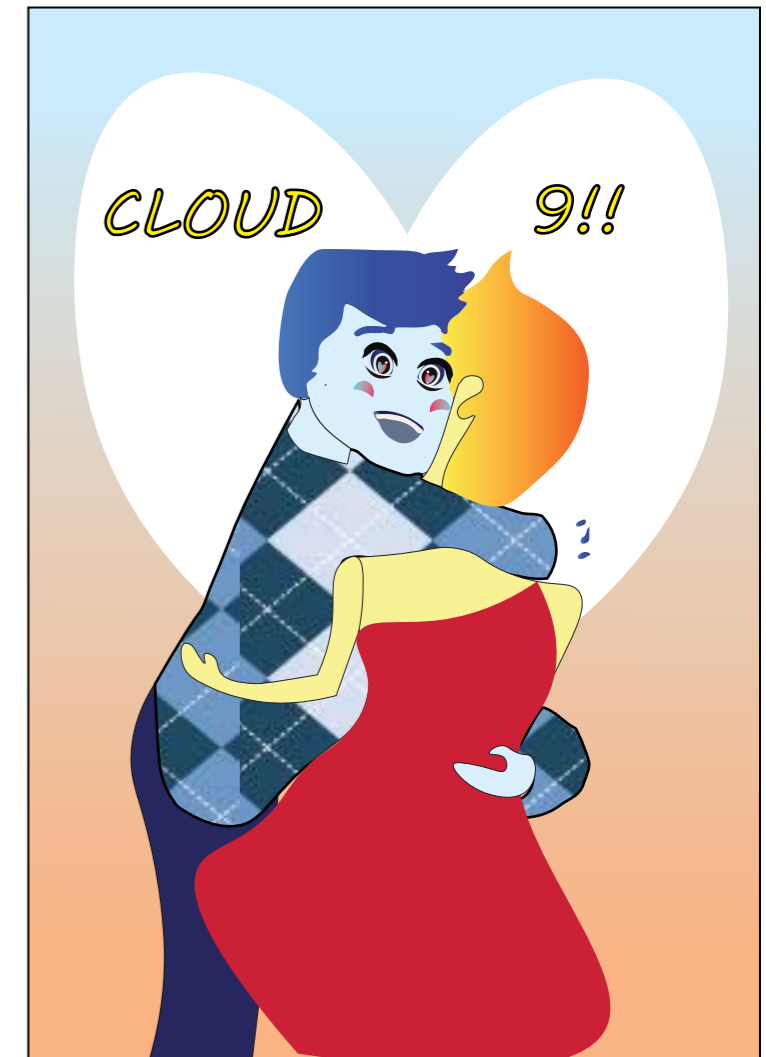
Maybe I will confess or at least try to. The consequences might be deadly but I can't hold back any longer.

CHAPTER 4





Fire found it difficult to keep her feelings to herself and finally confessed to Water. On hearing her confession, Water's eyes glistened and he was overwhelmed with joy. Unable to contain his excitement he jumped and hugged Fire.





Water and Fire shared the warmth after a long period of suppressed feelings. After a while, Fire seemed to slowly disappear under Water's embrace. Water was shocked and guilty at the same time. Before he could do anything, Fire completely got extinguished and blended with air leaving a deep hole in Water's heart. They stayed almost lovers and a hopeless dream due to their incompatible nature.



THE END

