

Tournament Sign up!

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WHAT DO
YOU THINK,
AIRDRAMON?
SHOULD WE
SIGN UP?

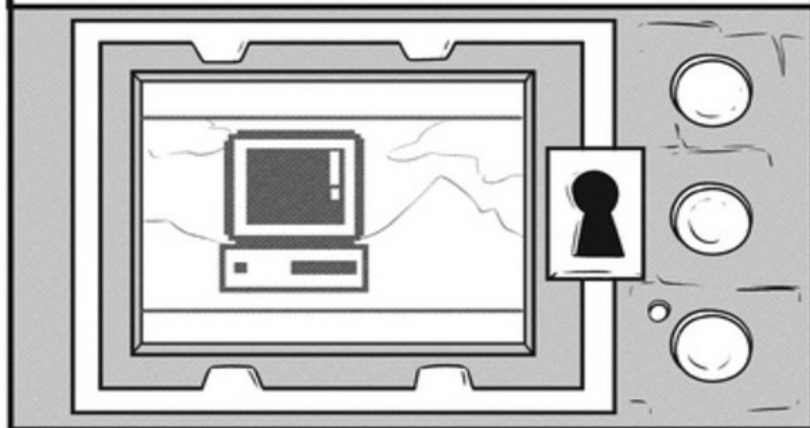


I ENTERED A LOT OF TOURNAMENTS!



AND MY DIGIMON GOT STRONGER,
AND GREW BIGGER AND BIGGER!

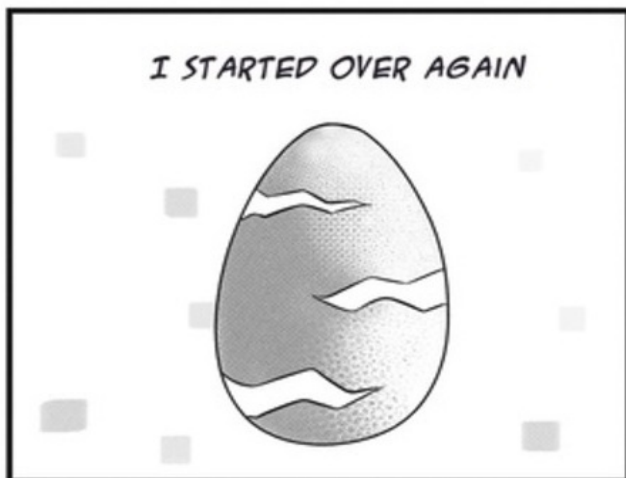
AND THEN ONE DAY, MY DIGIMON
WENT BACK TO HIS WORLD...



THAT'S THE GOAL OF DIGIMON.
RAISE A STRONG MONSTER
SO HE CAN GO
HOME A CHAMPION



I STARTED OVER AGAIN



...AND AGAIN...



...AND AGAIN!



EACH TIME I HATED WHEN MY DIGIMON WENT HOME.



WHAT YOU CHILDREN KNOW ABOUT DIGIMON...

IS ONLY PART TRUE

THE DIGITAL WORLD EXISTS

AND DIGIMON ARE REAL CREATURES

THE V-PET ISN'T JUST A TOY

THEY ARE
MADE BY
SOME OF OUR
STRONGEST
WARRIORS

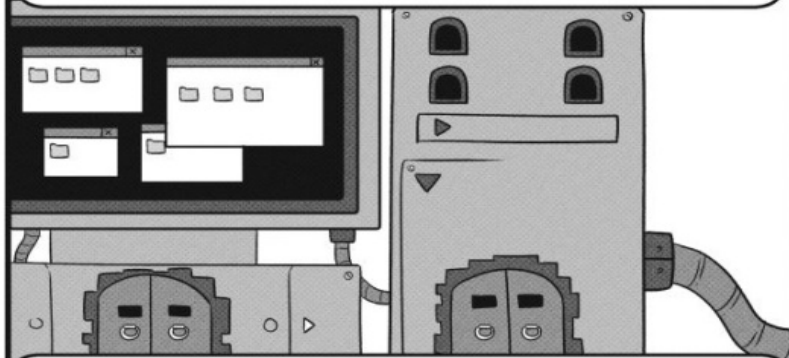
EVERY BABY DIGIMON
A CHILD HATCHES

IS ACTUALLY AN EXPLORER
SENT FROM OUT WORLD

DIGIMON DON'T
JUST DISAPPEAR

THEY RETURN HOME
TO GIVE US A REPORT
OF THEIR FINDINGS

THE MEGALITHIC MAINFRAME.
IT LOOKS LIKE AN OLD COMPUTER



IT'S ACTUALLY AN ANCIENT CASTLE.
A LIBRARY IN THE DIGITAL WORLD

I LIVE THERE WITH
OTHER DIGIMON
I AM AN ORACLE

WE ARE LIKE
LIBRARIANS
WE READ THE REPORTS
AND STUDY
HUMANS AND THE
REAL WORLD



THE ORACLES HAVE FOUND THAT BONDS WITH HUMANS GREATLY INCREASE A DIGIMON'S POWER.
A DIGIMON LINKED WITH A HUMAN WILL GROW
STRONGER AND IN LESS TIME THAN A DIGIMON ALONE



THE DIGIMON YOU RAISED ALL REPORT THAT YOU HAVE GREAT POTENTIAL.
YOUR **DEDICATION** IS EXCEPTIONAL

THAT IS WHY I AM HERE. I BELIEVE YOU ARE SPECIAL.
SPECIAL ENOUGH TO RAISE A
CERTAIN DIGIMON WITH GREAT POTENTIAL,
BUT GREAT RISK

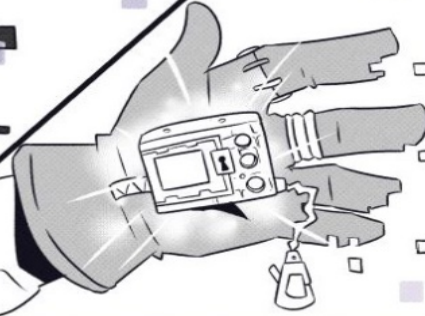
THAT IS THE CRAZIEST STORY I EVER HEARD!
YOU ARE NUTS AND I AM NUTS
JUST FOR LISTENING TO YOU!



WIZARDMON'S MAGIC ONLY LET HIM STAY IN THE REAL WORLD FOR A SHORT TIME



I'LL GO BACK TO THE DIGITAL WORLD NOW...



BEFORE HE LEFT HE GAVE ME A NEW V-PET!

HE TOLD ME...



SOME DIGIMON HAVE A GREAT DARKNESS INSIDE

BUT EVEN THE GREATEST DARKNESS CAN HAVE A LITTLE LIGHT



MY NEW PARTNER MIGHT HAVE DARKNESS, BUT HE'LL SHINE WITH A LIGHT INSIDE!

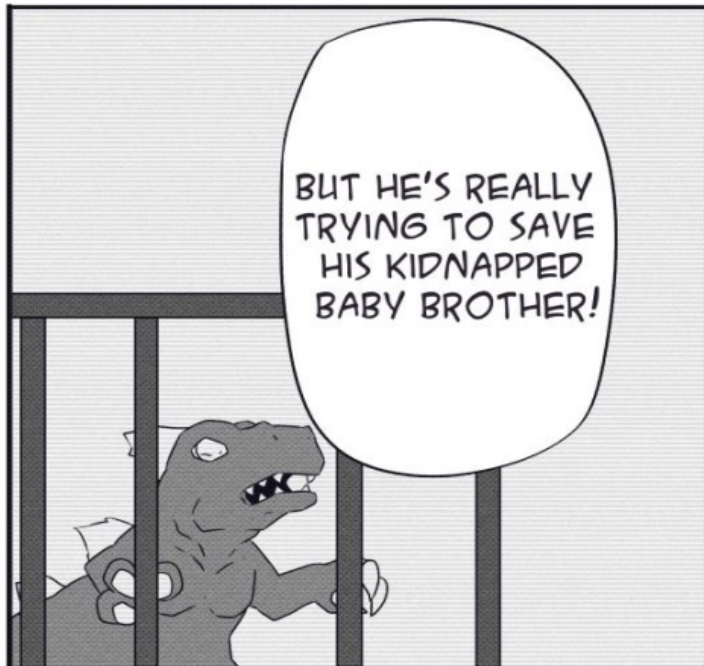
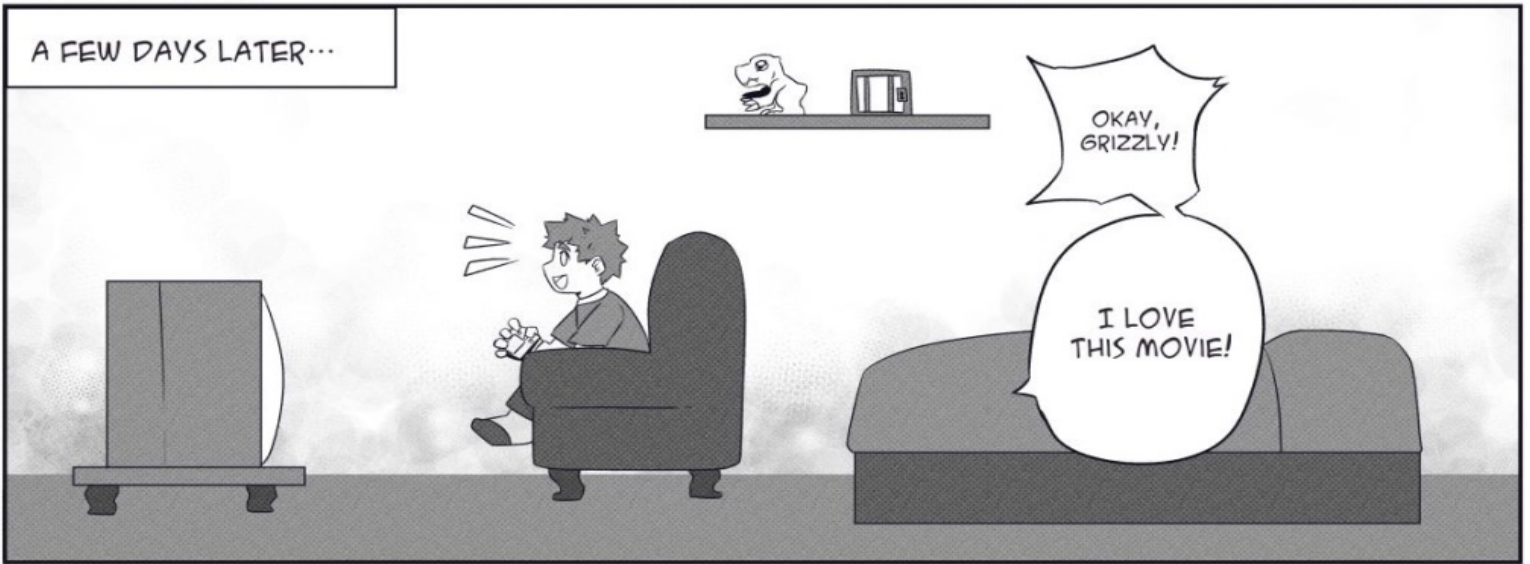


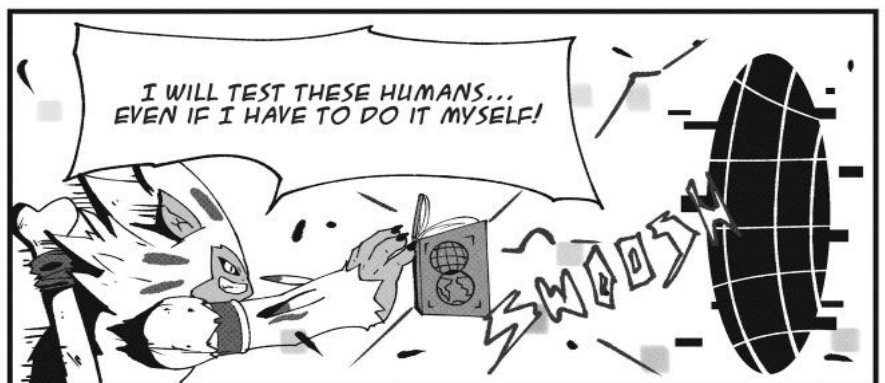
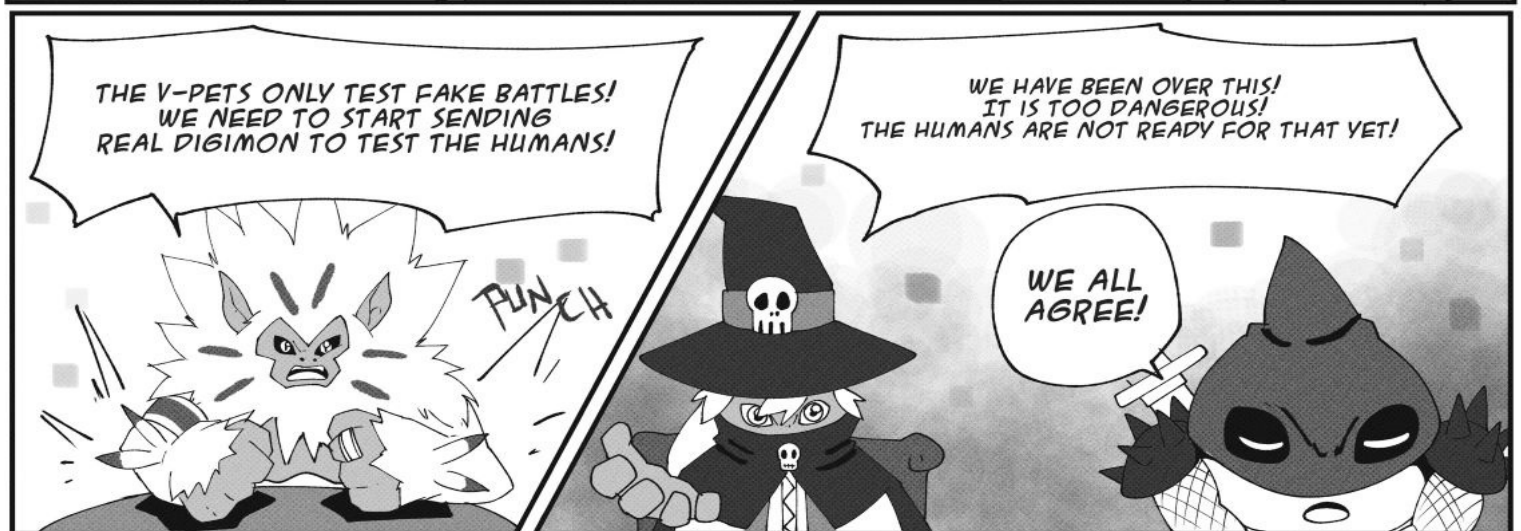
GREAT TO FINALLY MEET YOU PARTNER!

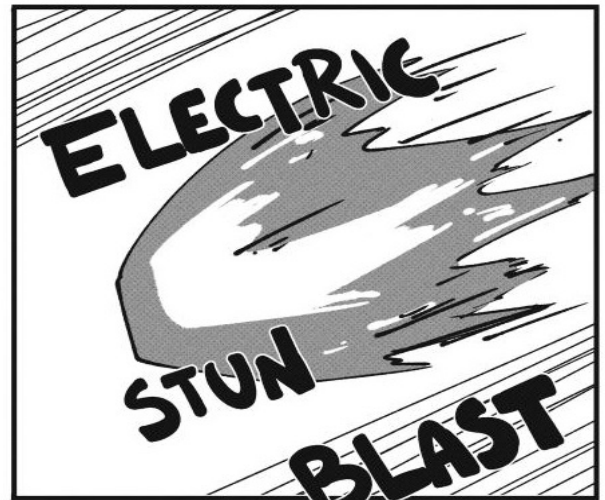
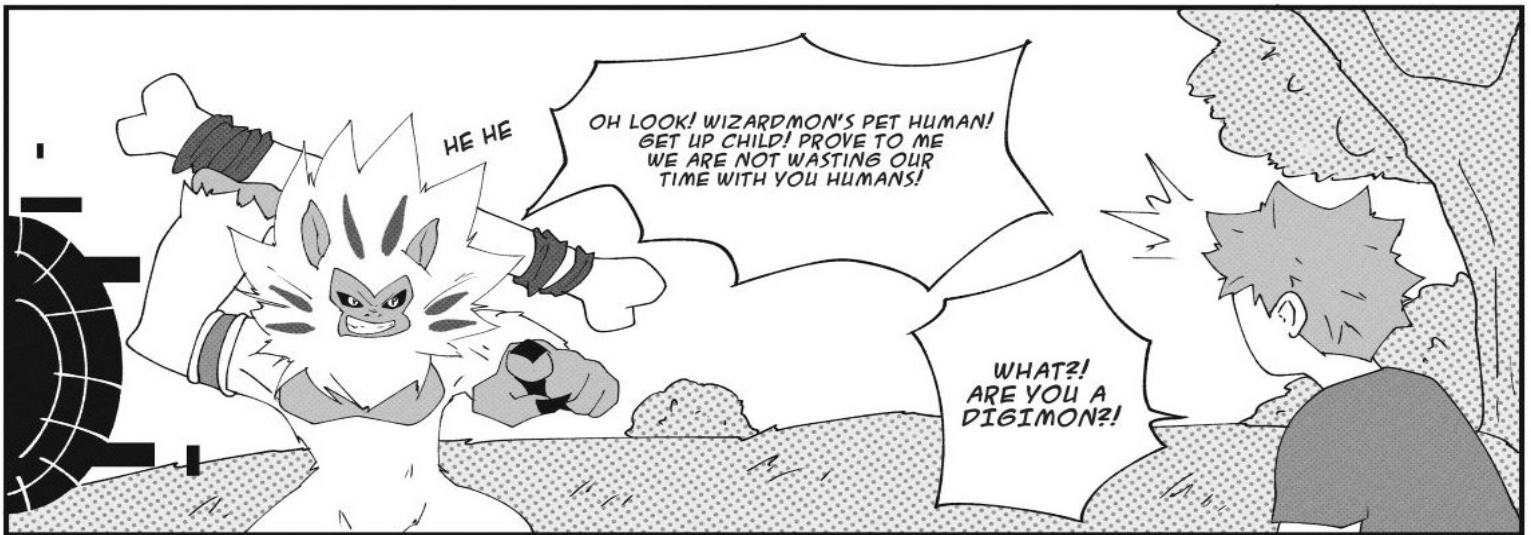
NAMED HIM "GRIZZLY", WHICH MEANS GRAY. THE COLOR BETWEEN DARK BLACK AND WHITE LIGHT



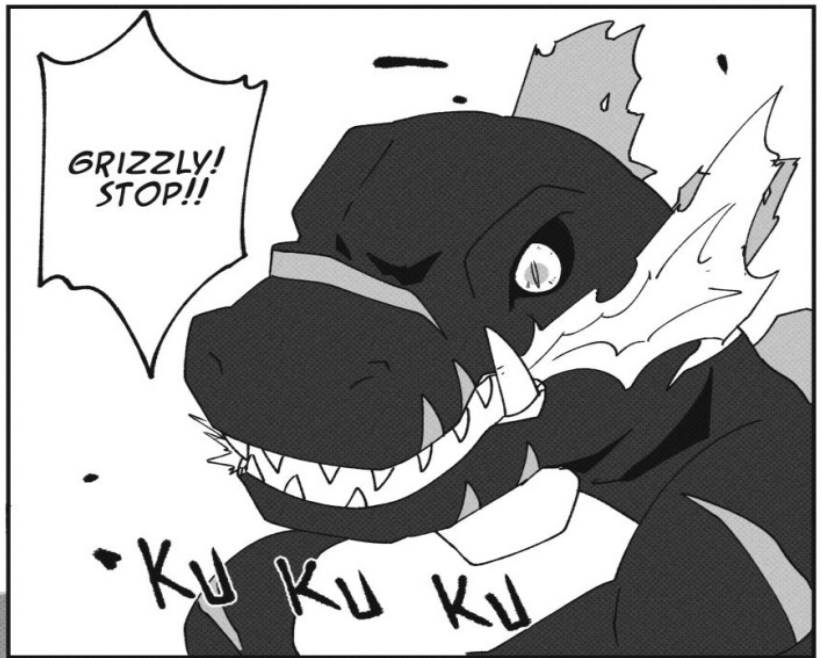
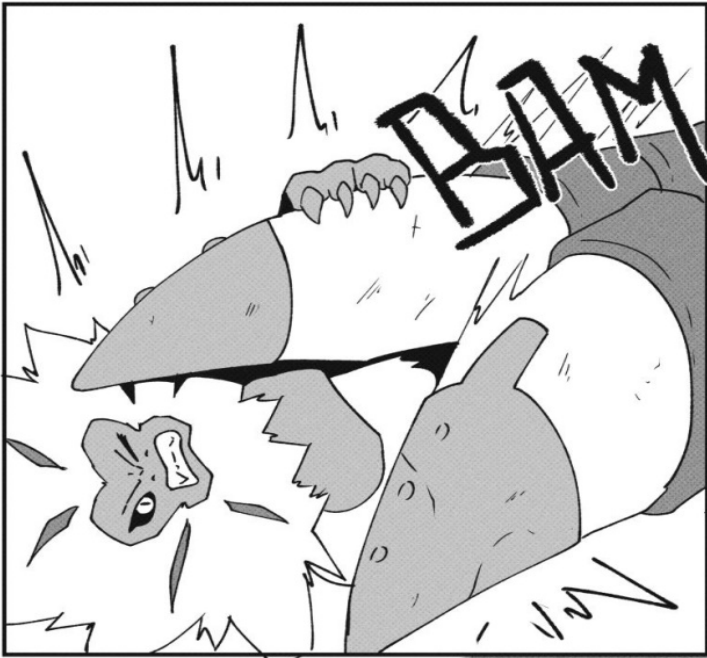
A FEW DAYS LATER...

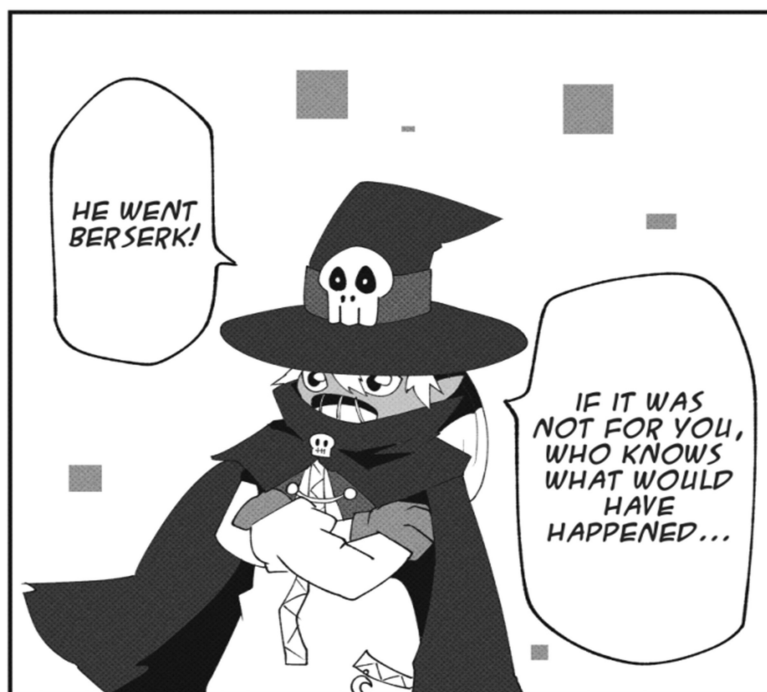
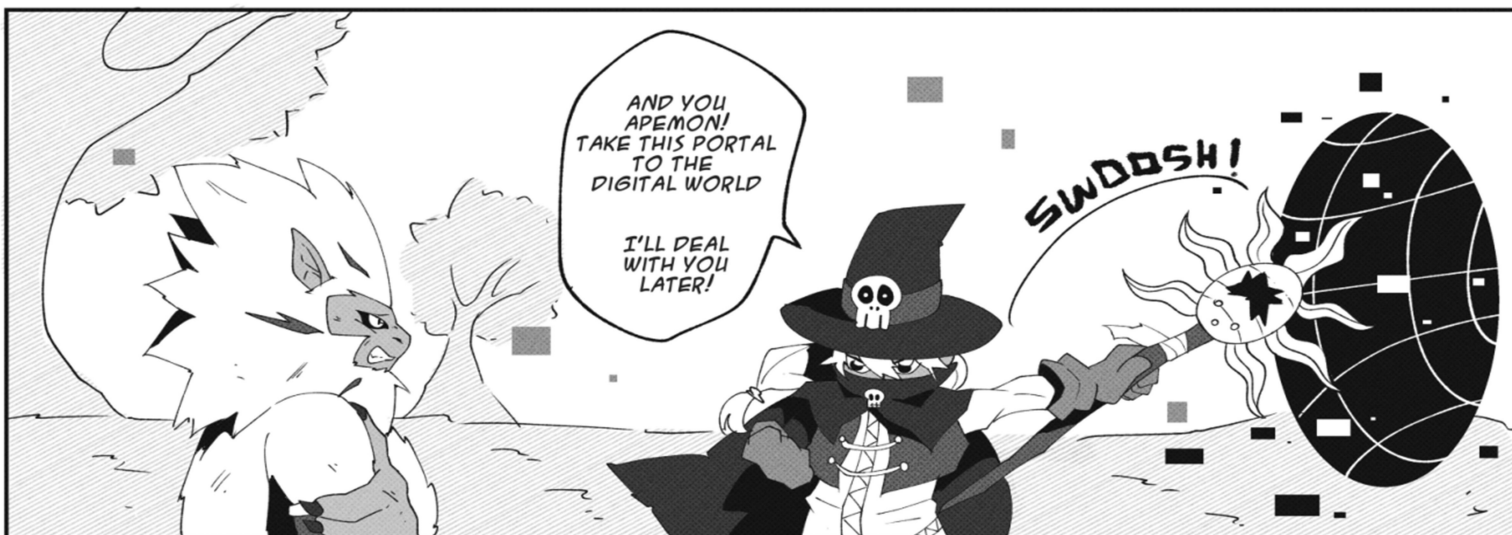














MESSAGE FROM THE AUTHOR

I WAS A KID WHEN THE VIRTUAL PET CRAZE HIT AMERICA. I WASN'T TOO BIG OF A FAN AT FIRST. THAT CHANGED ONCE I LEARNED THAT THERE WERE V-PETS THAT ALLOWED YOU TO BATTLE! I BEGGED FOR A DIGIMON, AND SOON I WAS HOOKED! I LOVED MY DIGITAL FRIEND, AND I TOOK IT EVERYWHERE WITH ME. I EVEN MADE IT A LITTLE BED OUT OF A SHOE BOX. AS DIGIMON EXPANDED INTO A MULTI-MEDIA EXPERIENCE, I GREW UP ALONGSIDE IT. UNFORTUNATELY, AS I GREW UP, MORE AND MORE OF MY HUMAN FRIENDS GREW LESS AND LESS INTERESTED IN DIGIMON. AS AN ADULT, I WAS LUCKY TO HAVE JUST ONE FRIEND WHO CARED WHAT ME AND MY DIGIMON WERE UP TOO. I MISSED BEING PART OF A DIGIMON COMMUNITY, SO I LAUNCHED DEDICATEDGAZI AS A MEANS TO CONNECT AND SHARE MY LOVE OF DIGIMON WITH MANY DIFFERENT FANS ACROSS THE INTERNET.

AS I SLOWLY STARTED TO MEET NEW PEOPLE, I FELT MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE INTERACTING IN THIS NEW WAY. SOON, I WAS FEELING BRAVE ENOUGH TO SHARE SOME OF THE STORIES I DEVELOPED OVER THE YEARS. IT MADE PERFECT SENSE TO START AT THE BEGINNING, SO I WENT ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE V-PET DAYS. THE STORY OF HOW I MET MY FIRST DIGIMON, AND HOW I PARTNERED WITH MY GAZIMON! I CHOSE THE MINI-COMIC STYLE TO TRY TO REPLICATE THE COMIC BOOKS THAT OFTEN CAME WITH ACTION FIGURES AND OTHER TOYS OF THE TIME. I FELT THAT WOULD HELP DRIVE HOME THE NOSTALGIC FEEL OF THE STORY. I WANTED EACH ISSUE TO MAKE THE READER FEEL LIKE A KID GETTING THAT BRAND NEW TOY THEY HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR!

HONESTLY, I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD CATCH ON. I EXPECTED THE STORY TO BE SOMETHING I READ TO MYSELF AND MAYBE ONE OR TWO FRIENDS. BY THE THIRD ISSUE IT WAS CLEAR IT WAS BIGGER THAN I EVER THOUGHT IT COULD BE. THE ORIGINAL IDEA, WHICH WAS ONLY SIX ISSUES, EVEN GOT EXTENDED TO SEVEN! AND NOW A FULL-BLOWN SECOND ARC IS EVEN IN DEVELOPMENT! I CAN'T BELIEVE MY SILLY LITTLE STORY ABOUT ME AND MY GAZIMON HAS MADE ITS WAY INTO SO MANY PEOPLE'S HEARTS. IT BRINGS ME A DEEP JOY KNOWING THAT OTHER PEOPLE ARE FEELING A CONNECTION WITH MY PASSION PROJECT. I AM EAGER TO BEGIN WORK ON THE SECOND ARC, AND I HOPE YOU KEEP READING WITH ME!

THANK YOU

DAVID.

To the
next adventure!



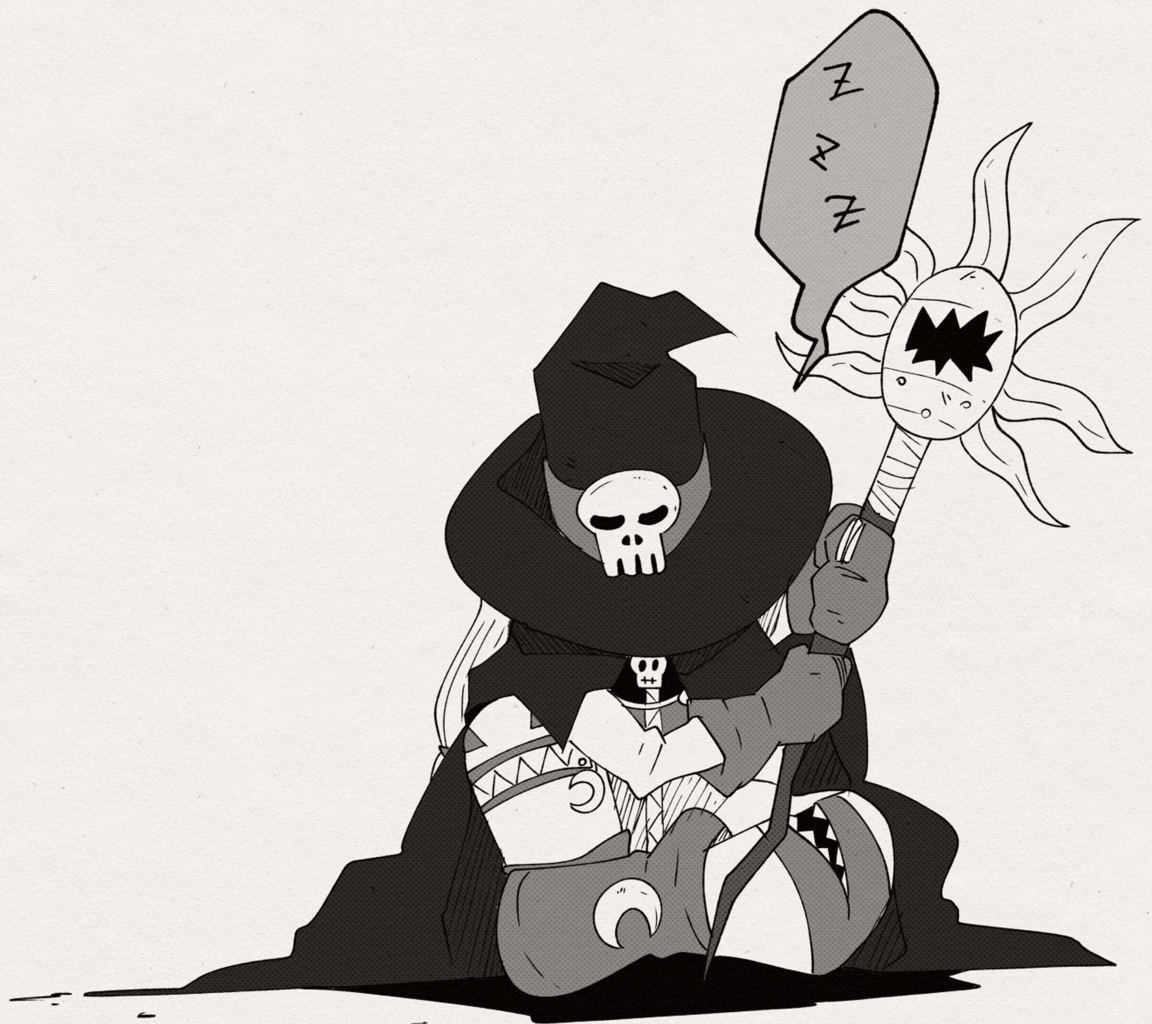
LASTLY, A WORD FROM THE ILLUSTRATOR:

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO READ THE COMIC! HOPE YOU LIKED IT!!

IT WAS AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE GETTING TO DRAW A STORY FROM BEGGINING TO END! I REALLY ENJOYED THE CHARACTERS (MY FAVE WAS WIZARDMON WHO I PICTURE AS A MOM SOLVING APEMON'S MISCHIEF IN THE END HEHE)

FINALLY I JUST HOPE YOU LIKE THE NEXT STORY AS WELL, I KNOW I AM EXCITED TO DRAW THE NEXT ADVENTURE!

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Appendix A: The Contests

Over the course of the first story arc, two contests were held.



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Replying to @DedicatedGazi @RedPV_KKDT and @Pastelmon_art

Maybe it's too common or repetitive for me to like metalgreymon, but the virus has been forgotten thanks to its vaccine counterpart, and that simple fact, has made it my favorite XD



Head of the Love Dorumon Committee
@HarleytheDragon

Replying to @DedicatedGazi and @Pastelmon_art

My favorite from the original Digital Monsters would have to be Gazimon! I've always liked the Digimon's design, I just wish they'd do more with it and even give it its own special digivolution line!

1:30 PM · Aug 1, 2021 · Twitter Web App



FireDragon1321
@FDragon1321

Replying to @DedicatedGazi and @Pastelmon_art

Agumon, because of Tai, mainly (as you can see by my profile image, I love that idiot boy). It took several years for me to get a 20th anniversary V-pet, and I raised an Agumon named Bun. He got to BlitzGreymon form before he died. RIP.

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Replying to @DedicatedGazi and @Pastelmon_art

Betamon was love at first site!

3:13 PM · Aug 1, 2021 · Twitter for Android



King Louie @perezluisecrea1 · Aug 1

From the originals my favorite would have to be Elecmon. He's quick, fierce, and adorable when kicking digi-butt!

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The first contest asked readers what their favorite Digimon from the original V-Pets were. Those who took part are featured on the tournaments sign-up in issue 2.

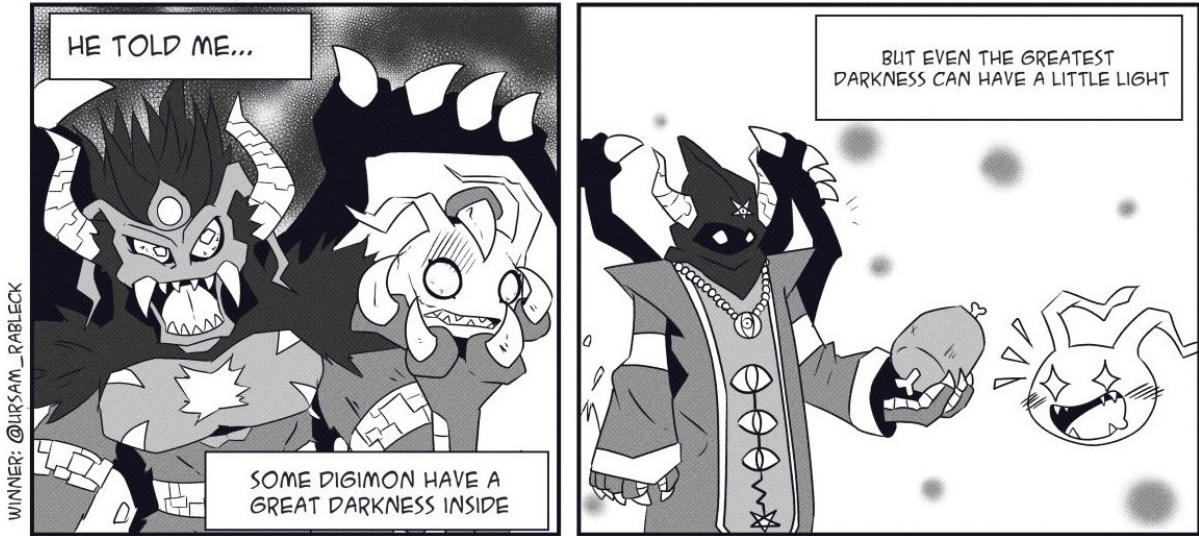
The Second Contest asked readers what their favorite scary Digimon was that also had some good in them. The winner, Daemon, was featured as an example of how a Digimon can be raised to be good no matter what.



Samuel Antonio Castillo Meza
@Ursam_Rableck

Replying to @DedicatedGazi

My choice is Demon. Fallen angel by excellency. While all of it's potrayals so far have been as villain and lore exact at that, I still think of chances of there being one that just wants to live in peace with a simple and ordinary without plans of world domination.





AWE!comics
@ComicsAwe

As far as scary Digimon go I've always thought that MadLeomon was the scariest.



FlamingLizard
@RisingQuetzal

Replying to @DedicatedGazi and @Pastelmon_art

I think Skull Baluchimon would probably fit into the scary category. This is a Digimon that's always intrigued me.



IndominusNightmare 🦋
@Indominus_Art

Replying to @DedicatedGazi and @Pastelmon_art

Does Raremon count as scary? Because I absolutely love this abomination and I can't even explain why 😊



Appendix B: Alternate Covers

Since the original arc was formatted to mimic comics that come with toys, alternative front and back cover art exists featuring an action figure box.



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Free
Mini-Comic

I talk, Kid!

Smack Talkin'
Grizzly the Gazimon



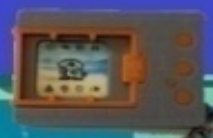


Free Mini Comic
with each Toy!

David and Grizzly the Gazimon have been friends for ages! Together they went on countless adventures and shared endless memories. But how did it all begin? Join our heroes on their first adventure, all the way back in the late 1990's! Their first meeting! Their first battles! Their fist laughs and their first cry together! Witness their story unfold with

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Collect
Them
All!



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Smack Talkin'
Grizzly the Gazimon

If you can't say anything
nice, don't say anything at
all; unless you're Grizzly!

Rookie Virus Mammal



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Appendix C:

The Virtual Pet Box



To further drive home the nostalgia, try printing off the comic and keeping it in your favorite toy box!