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A FAIR TRADE




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AHHH! I CAN'T BELIEVE I COULDN'T GET ONE!






HEY, I'M SORRY YOU MISSED  
OUT, BUT MAYBE YOU'LL GET  
LUCKY ONLINE.

**SIGH!**

YEEEEAH... I  
REALLY HOPE SO.

A 3D rendered scene showing a man with brown hair, wearing a black long-sleeved shirt with red cuffs and collar, blue jeans, and black shoes. He is standing on a set of stone stairs with a wooden handrail. He is holding a red shopping bag in his right hand and a blue shopping bag in his left hand. He is pointing his right index finger towards the left. A speech bubble is positioned above him, containing the text: "WELL THEN, I SEE YOU LATER NATE." To the left of the man, another speech bubble contains the text: "I GO TO CHECK OUT THE ONE PIECE VOICE ACTORS CONFERENCE BEFORE I GET HOME." In the foreground on the right, the back of another person's head and shoulder is visible, wearing a dark jacket. The background shows a wooden wall and a window with a view of greenery.

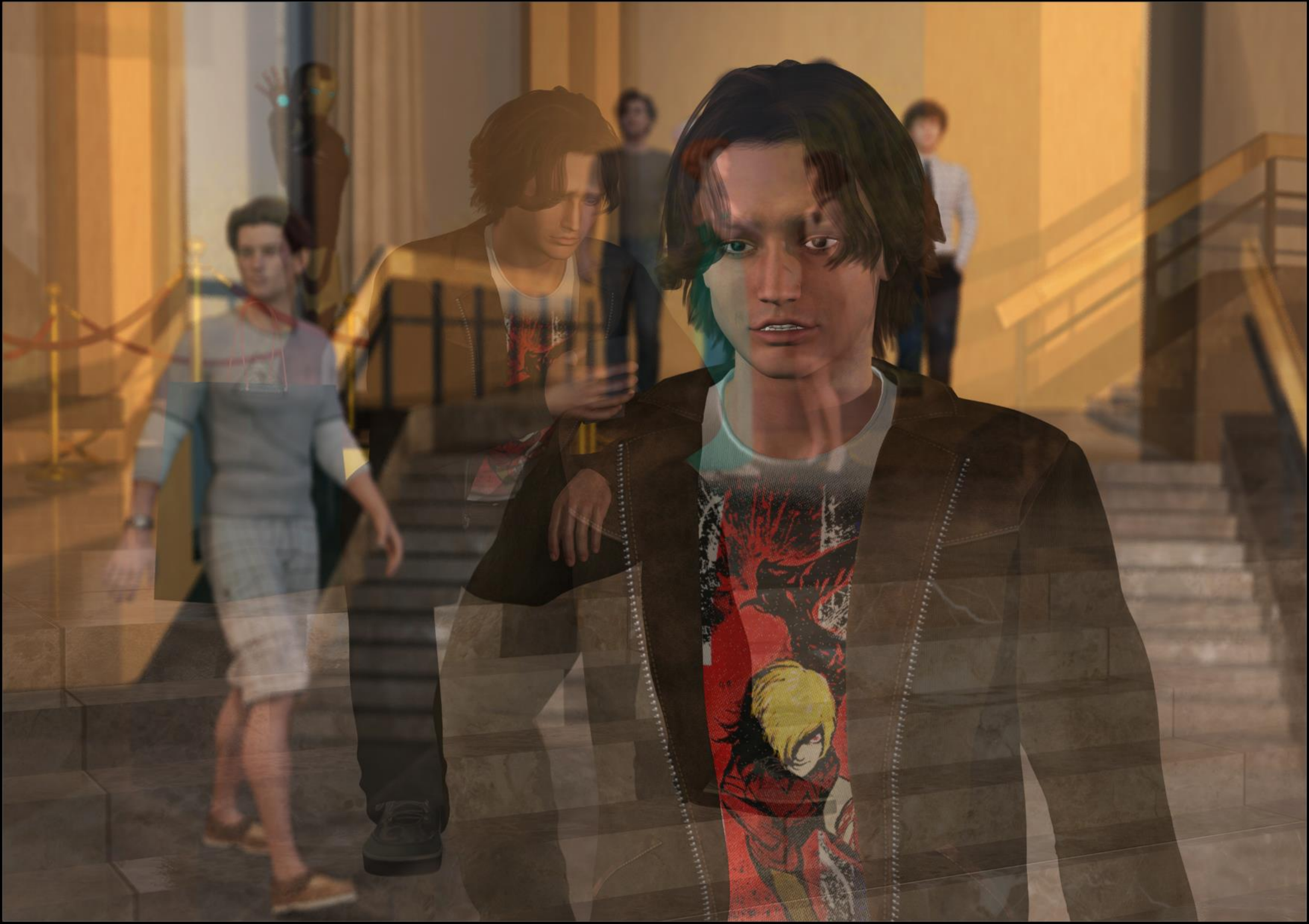
WELL THEN, I  
SEE YOU LATER  
NATE.

I GO TO CHECK OUT  
THE ONE PIECE VOICE ACTORS  
CONFERENCE BEFORE I GET  
HOME.



YEAH, SURE...

HAVE FUN...




LATER...

SIGH!





A young man with shoulder-length brown hair is looking down at a smartphone in his hands. He is wearing a brown jacket over a white t-shirt with a red and black graphic. The background is a blurred convention or event space with other people and a red carpet.

SOLD OUT  
EVERYWHERE...

I WILL NEVER GET THE  
LIMITED EDITION SUPER EARTH  
DEFENDER GAL MICHIRU  
FIGURE...



HMMM...



WHAT?!

HEY!

DID YOU SAY SUPER  
EARTH DEFENDER GAL  
SAILOR MICHIRU?

I ASKED THAT YOU  
SAID SUPER EARTH  
DEFENDER GAL MICHIRU  
FIGURE?

DO I NEED TO REPEAT  
IT AGAIN?

UM... Y-YES?  
WHY?



SHE'S CUTE...

COOL!

THEN I THINK I HAVE  
SOMETHING YOU MIGHT  
LIKE... GIGGLE



UM... SORRY, I'M  
NOT SURE WHAT YOU  
MEAN.

DO WE KNOW  
EACH OTHER?

MAYBE FROM ONE  
OF MY GYM  
SESSIONS?

NO, NOT  
REALLY...


YEAH, I WOULD  
DEFINITELY REMEMBER  
HER...



WINK

...UNLESS YOU  
REALLY WANNA KNOW  
ME MUCH... MUCH  
CLOSER.

I'M ALICE BY THE  
WAY.

A screenshot from the video game Uncharted 2: Among Thieves showing Nathan Drake in a gym. He has a thoughtful expression with his hand to his chin. The scene is overlaid with hand-drawn comic book speech bubbles. The background shows gym equipment and a stone wall.

O-OH...


I... I'M  
NATHAN...

AND I APPRECIATE  
THE OFFER ALICE, BUT I'M  
NOT SURE THAT...

RELAAAX  
LOVERBOY...

IT WAS JUST A  
JOKE...






HEH?

LOOK, I'M NOT  
SURE WHAT YOU WANT  
BUT...

**MOOOOOW!**

CAN YOU BRING  
MY BAG!?



WHOA!

UGH! YEAH-YEAH---  
COMIING---

WHY THE HELL AM I  
EVEN HERE?

AND WHY DO I  
HAVE TO CARRY YOUR  
BAG?




SHE'S HOT! THEY'RE BOTH HOT!

WELL, YOU WANTED TO DO SOMETHING TOGETHER WITH ME, RIGHT?

YES, BUT I MEANT SOMETHING "FUN" AND NOT RUNNING AFTER YOU FROM STALL TO STALL BUYING JUNK... I'M NOT YOUR PORTER...

AH QUIT WHINING. AND THOSE AREN'T JUNK, BUT VALUABLE COLLECTIBLES.



LOOK, I DON'T  
WANT ANY TROUBLE  
LADIES, MAYBE I SHOULD  
REALLY GO NOW...

OH, THE THINGS  
YOU'LL GET WHEN WE'RE  
HOME YOU LITTLE  
MONSTER...

HEY! JUST WAIT A  
SEC, I HAVE IT RIGHT  
HERE...

**TADAAA!**

THE THING YOU  
WANTED, RIGHT?

**RIIIGHT?!**

SUPER HAPPY TOY



TO SPACE  
AND  
BEYOND!

*Super Earth Defender  
Gal Michiru*



EH?!

H-HOW DID YOU GET ONE?

I CAME HERE FOR RARE GAMES, BUT INSTEAD I WON THIS AN HOUR AGO.

BUT TO BE HONEST, I DON'T REALLY NEED IT...



BUT YOU CAN HAVE IT  
IF YOU REALLY WANT IT,  
RIGHT MOM?

OH NOW WE'RE TALKING  
THE SAME LANGUAGE...  
WHAT A SPLENDID IDEA  
SWEETIE.

I'M SURE HE  
WILL HAVE A NICE  
HOME FOR IT...  
CHUCKLE

OH WOW, I CAN'T  
BELIEVE IT! THAT'S SO  
KIND OF YOU!

HOW MUCH DO YOU WANT  
FOR IT? JUST PLEASE DON'T  
ROB ME, OKAY?

R-REALLY?  
YOU MEAN IT?

DON'T WORRY, YOU CAN  
HAVE IT FOR FREE.

OF COURSE YOUNG MAN...  
JUST TAKE IT..

SUPER HAPPY TOY  
TO SPACE  
AND  
BEYOND!  
*Super Earth Defenders  
Gal Michiru*



Y-YES... I... I  
WANT... IT...

...HERE, JUST TAKE IT AND  
HAVE FUN...

...YOU KNOW YOU WANT  
IT, RIGHT?



NO!

WAIT!

HEH?!



A man with long brown hair, wearing a brown leather jacket over a graphic t-shirt and dark jeans, is looking down into a teal shopping bag. He is standing in a modern building with stone steps and a red carpet area in the background.

Y-YOU DON'T  
WANT IT?

I JUST  
REMEMBERED  
SOMETHING.

YOU SAID YOU  
WANTED RARE GAMES,  
RIGHT?

YEAH?



HERE. MAYBE YOU  
WILL LIKE IT.

I GOT THIS OLD  
PLATFORMER GAME EARLIER,  
WE CAN JUST TRADE TO  
MAKE IT FAIR.

OH WOW! CAN I  
REALLY HAVE IT?

YEAH SURE, I'M NOT  
REALLY A GAMER MYSELF  
SO I WOULD JUST SELL IT  
ANYWAYS.



UM...  
M-MOM... CAN  
I?

PRETTY  
PLEEEASE?

SIGH!  
DISAPPOINTING...

BUT DO WHATEVER  
YOU WANT, IT'S YOUR  
BUSINESS...

SUPER HAPPY



JUST DON'T FORGET  
TO ALTER THE  
CONTRACT.

O-OH! RIGHT!

HEH?  
CONTRACT?

NEVER MIND,  
SHE'S JUST  
JOKING.

OKAY?

TO SPACE  
AND  
YOND!

WOW! I CAN'T BELIEVE I  
FINALLY HAVE IT. THANKS A LOT  
ALICE... AND MA'AM.

SO COOL!  
THANKS DUDE!

YEAH-YEAH...  
SIGH... KIDS...

THANK YOU AGAIN.

SAME HERE!








HE WAS A NICE GUY,  
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A  
WASTE, DON'T YOU  
AGREE?

MAYBE. BUT I DON'T  
LIKE IT WHEN I'M CALLED  
MA'AM. IT MAKES ME  
FEEL... OLD!

PFFF... YOU KINDA  
ARE.

SHUT UP!



BUT SAY PIPSQUEAK.  
WHAT DID YOU DO WITH  
THAT DOLL EXACTLY?

O-OH... I HAVE  
NO IDEA.

JUST WANTED TO  
MAKE HIM HAPPY I  
GUESS?

LET'S HOPE YOU DID NOT BREAK THE LAWS OF NATURE AGAIN, IT WOULD GIVE ME A TON OF PAPERWORK...

I... I'M SURE IT WILL BE JUST FIIINE MOM... YOU WORRY TOO MUCH...  
CHUCKLE

IN YOUR OWN SAKE LET'S HOPE YOUR'RE RIGHT SWEETIE... YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I HATE PAPER WORK...

**GULP**

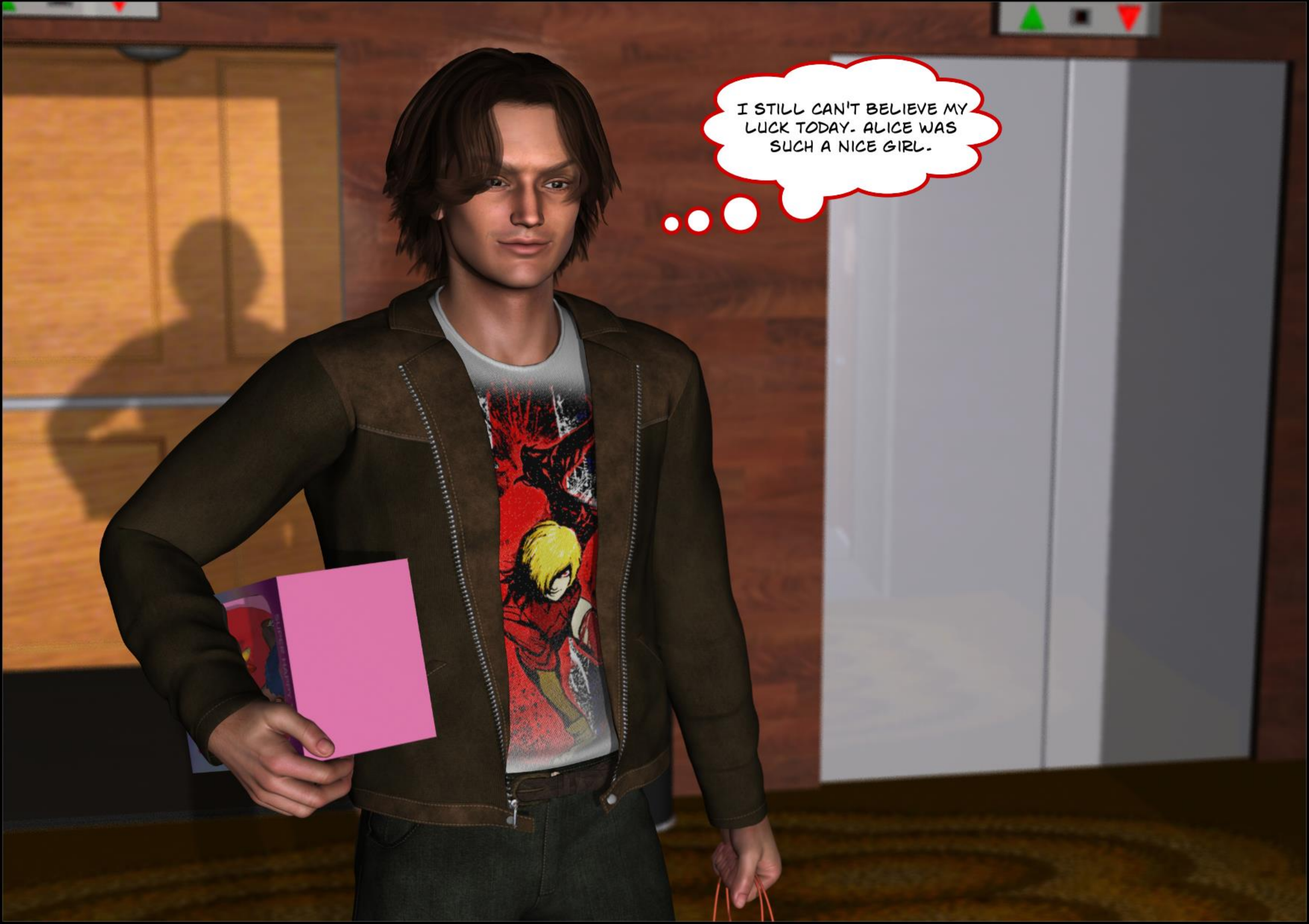


LATER AT HOME...

PING

PING





I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE MY  
LUCK TODAY. ALICE WAS  
SUCH A NICE GIRL.

HOME SWEET  
HOME...

506

SUPER HAPPY T

**PING**

**TINKLE**



DID YOU SEE HIM  
STARE ALL THE  
TIME?

TOTALLY! MAYBE YOU  
SHOULD ASK HIM OUT  
NEXT TIME...

HM?





ARE YOU JOKING? HE SHOULD DO THE FIRST MOVE.

I GUESS THAT'S TRUE.



OH, HEY GIRLS.  
WAS THE TRAINING  
PLEASANT?



EH?! WHAT DO YOU WANT YOU CREEP?

YEAH!

ARE YOU STALKING US OR SOMETHING?

WHAT?



UM... NO?

YOU'RE JUST STILL WEARING YOUR YOGA CLOTHES?

HOW PERCEPTIVE... BUT THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS YOU MEATHEAD!

GOT IT?!

OOOKAY?

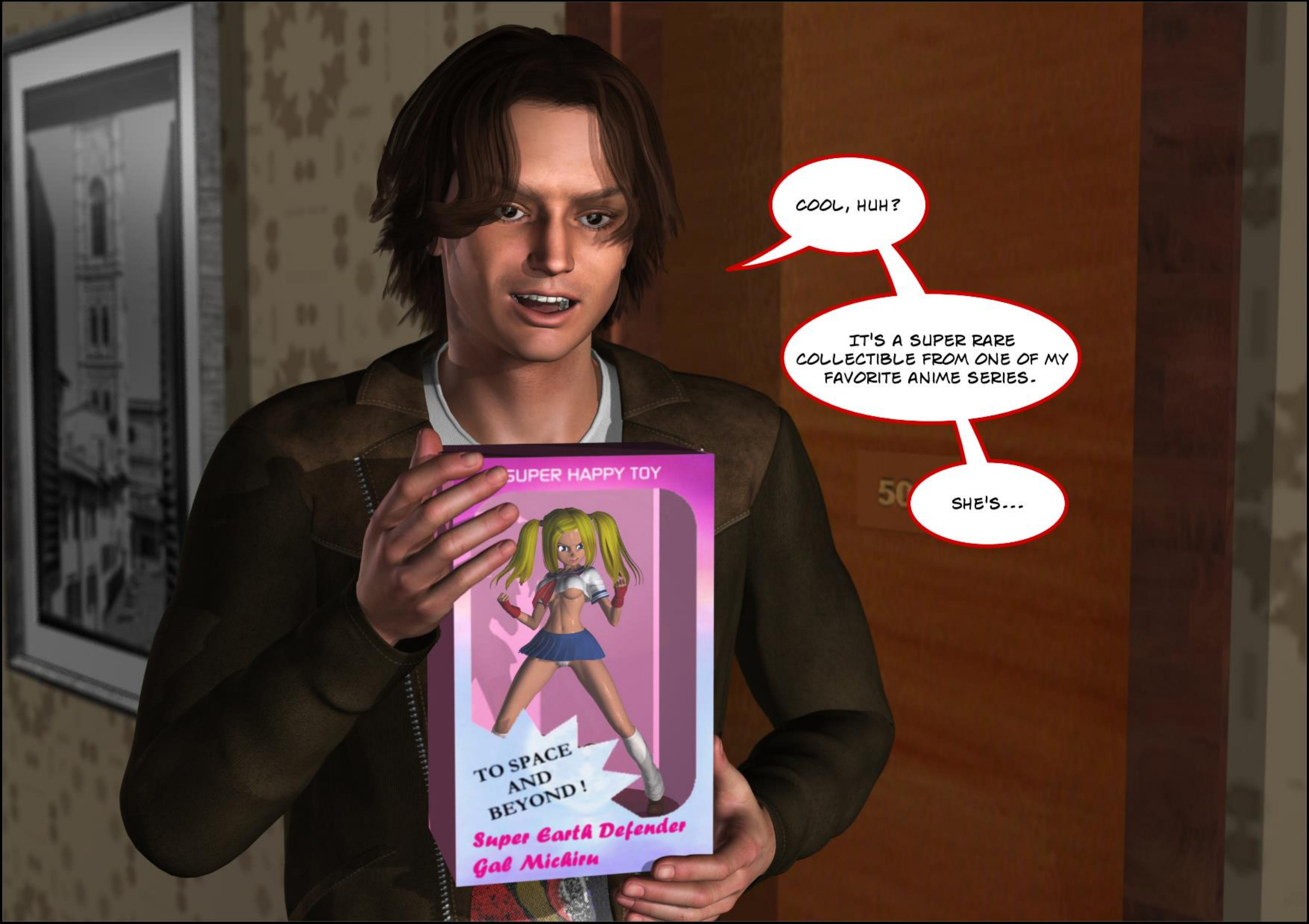
OH...  
RIGHT...

I FORGOT...



WHAT'S THAT  
SUPPOSED TO  
BE?

OH, THIS LITTLE  
GEM?



COOL, HUH?

IT'S A SUPER RARE COLLECTIBLE FROM ONE OF MY FAVORITE ANIME SERIES.

SHE'S...

SUPER HAPPY TOY

TO SPACE  
AND  
BEYOND!

*Super Earth Defender  
Gal Michiru*

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WA

HM?

WA

WA

WAWAWAWAWAWA

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OH MY! A GROWN MAN  
AT YOUR AGE IS STILL  
PLAYING WITH STUPID  
DOLLS?

THAT'S SO LAME!  
HAHAHA

YEAH! AND WHAT'S  
WITH THOSE RIDICULOUSLY  
HUGE TITS?

ARE YOU INTO THOSE  
YOU PERVERT?





IT'S NO WONDER  
YOU'RE STILL  
SINGLE.

WHAT GIRL IS INTO  
STUPID PERVERTED  
CARTOONS?

NO... I JUST  
REALLY LIKE HER  
CHARACTER AND...

YOU SHOULD  
GROW UP!

IT'S A POPULAR ANIMATION  
FOR A MATURE AUDIENCE. MAYBE  
YOU WOULD LIKE IT TOO IF YOU  
GIVE IT A SHOT.



YEAH, NO CHANCE.

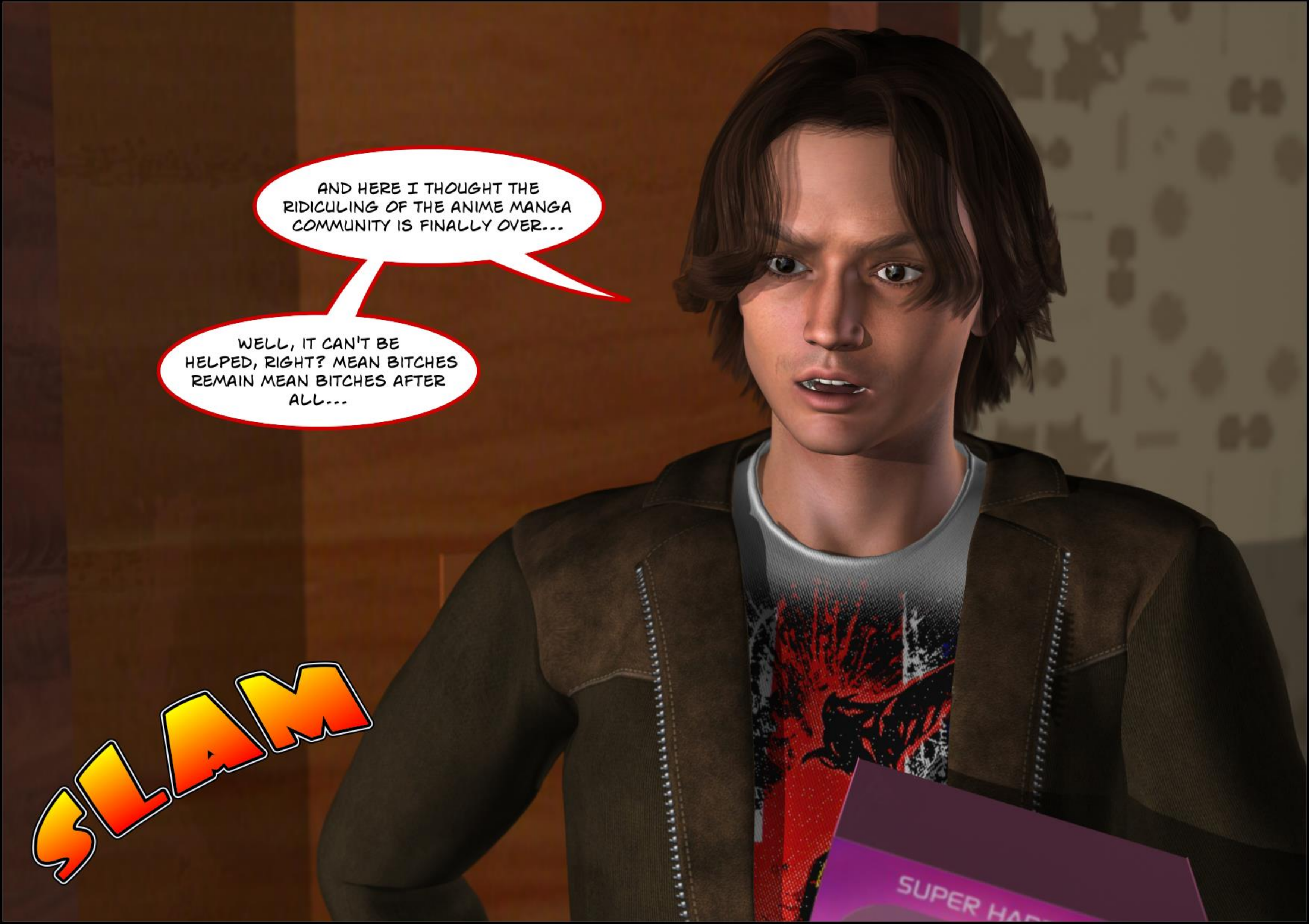
YOU SEE, WE'RE BUSY AND SERIOUS COLLEGE STUDENTS, WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR STUPID AND CHILDISH THINGS.

EXACTLY! WE WILL HAVE ACTUAL RESPECTED AND WELL PAID CAREERS... GIGGLE

BUT I...

DON'T EVEN BOTHER  
YOU LOSER!





AND HERE I THOUGHT THE  
RIDICULING OF THE ANIME MANGA  
COMMUNITY IS FINALLY OVER...

WELL, IT CAN'T BE  
HELPED, RIGHT? MEAN BITCHES  
REMAIN MEAN BITCHES AFTER  
ALL...

**SLAM**

SUPER HAD



SUPER HAD

A LITTLE LATER...



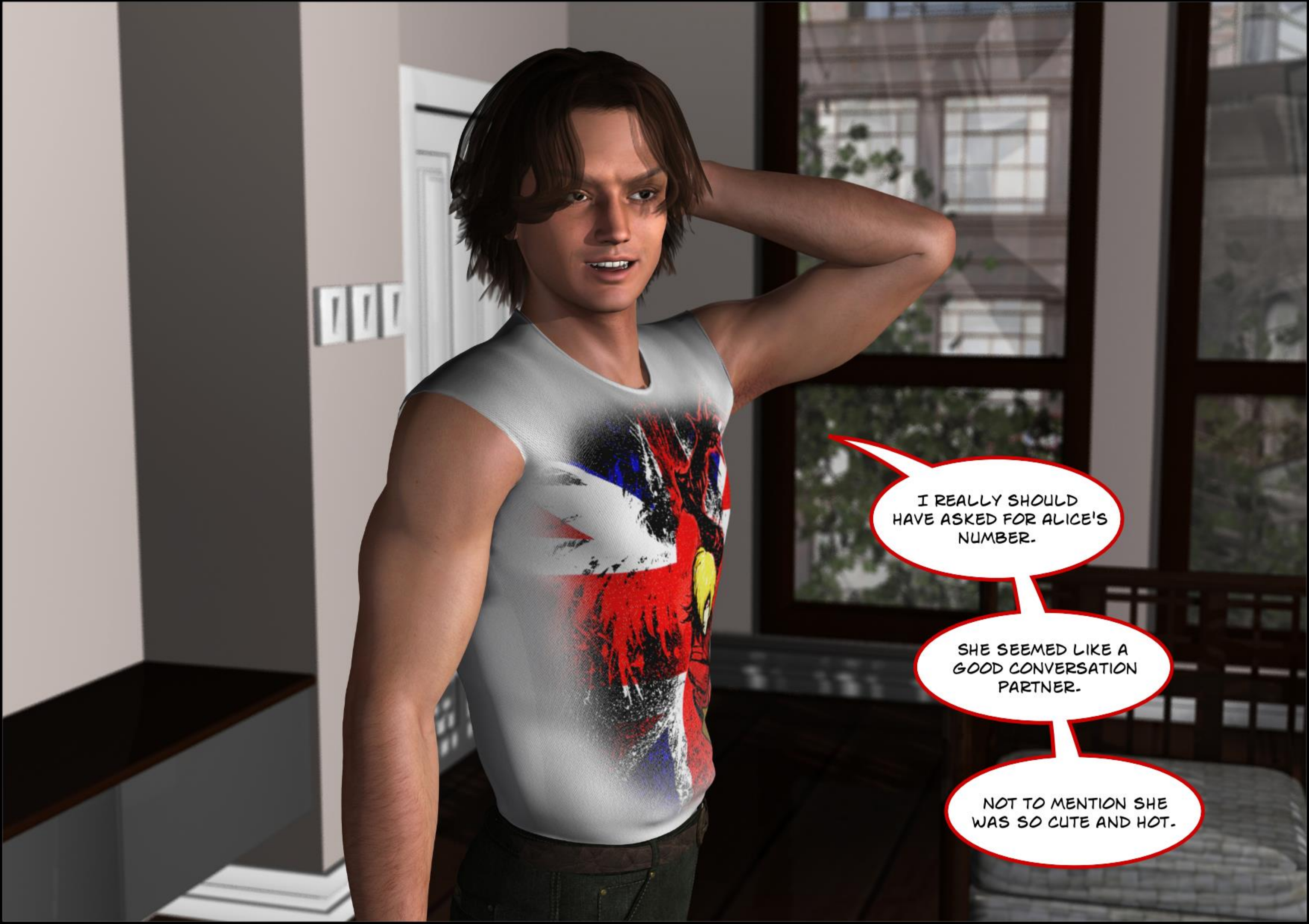
WELCOME TO YOUR  
NEW HOME MY LITTLE  
BEAUTY.

TOO BAD THOSE  
ARROGANT NARROW MINDED  
BITCHES CAN'T APPRECIATE  
TRUE ART.

BUT SOMETIMES I REALLY  
WISH THEY COULD APPRECIATE THE  
CULTURE AND ANIME A BIT  
MORE.

SIGH... AND MAYBE ME  
AS WELL?





I REALLY SHOULD  
HAVE ASKED FOR ALICE'S  
NUMBER.

SHE SEEMED LIKE A  
GOOD CONVERSATION  
PARTNER.

NOT TO MENTION SHE  
WAS SO CUTE AND HOT.





BUT HER MOM. OH BOY,  
SHE WAS SOMETHING  
ELSE.



OLDER WOMEN WERE NEVER  
MY THING BUT DAMN, SHE COULD  
BE MY "MOMMY" ANY TIME...  
HEHEHE



YEAH RIGHT, WISHFUL THINKING...

WELL... I BETTER TAKE A SHOWER BEFORE I HAD TO WORK...





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