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DOUBLE THREAT



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They're schoolboys. They're brothers. And, as of this week, they are both newly authorised special agents of R.A.I.D. — the international agency for Robotics Analysis, Intelligence and Defence. Today we are very fortunate to feature a rare and exclusive interview with Alex and Freddy Sharma, the "Mega Robo Bros" themselves.

We meet in a cafe on the Mile End Road, Alex (12) and Freddy (6) attended by their adopted parents — R.A.I.D. chief scientific officer Dr Nita Sharma and her husband, Michael Sharma. Michael goes to order coffees for the adults and ice creams for the boys, while I begin talking to Alex and Freddy, conscious all the while of their mother's steely gaze on me.

"So what's it like, being robots?" I ask.

I am immediately embarrassed by the inanity of my own question, and Alex seems to agree, his big blue eyes fixing me with a distinctly unimpressed look.

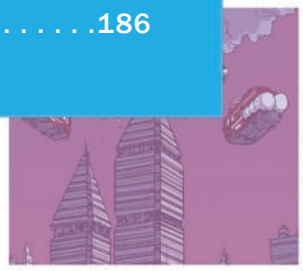
Freddy is less reserved.

"It is awesome! We can fly, and we are super strong and stuff, and also we have lasers!"

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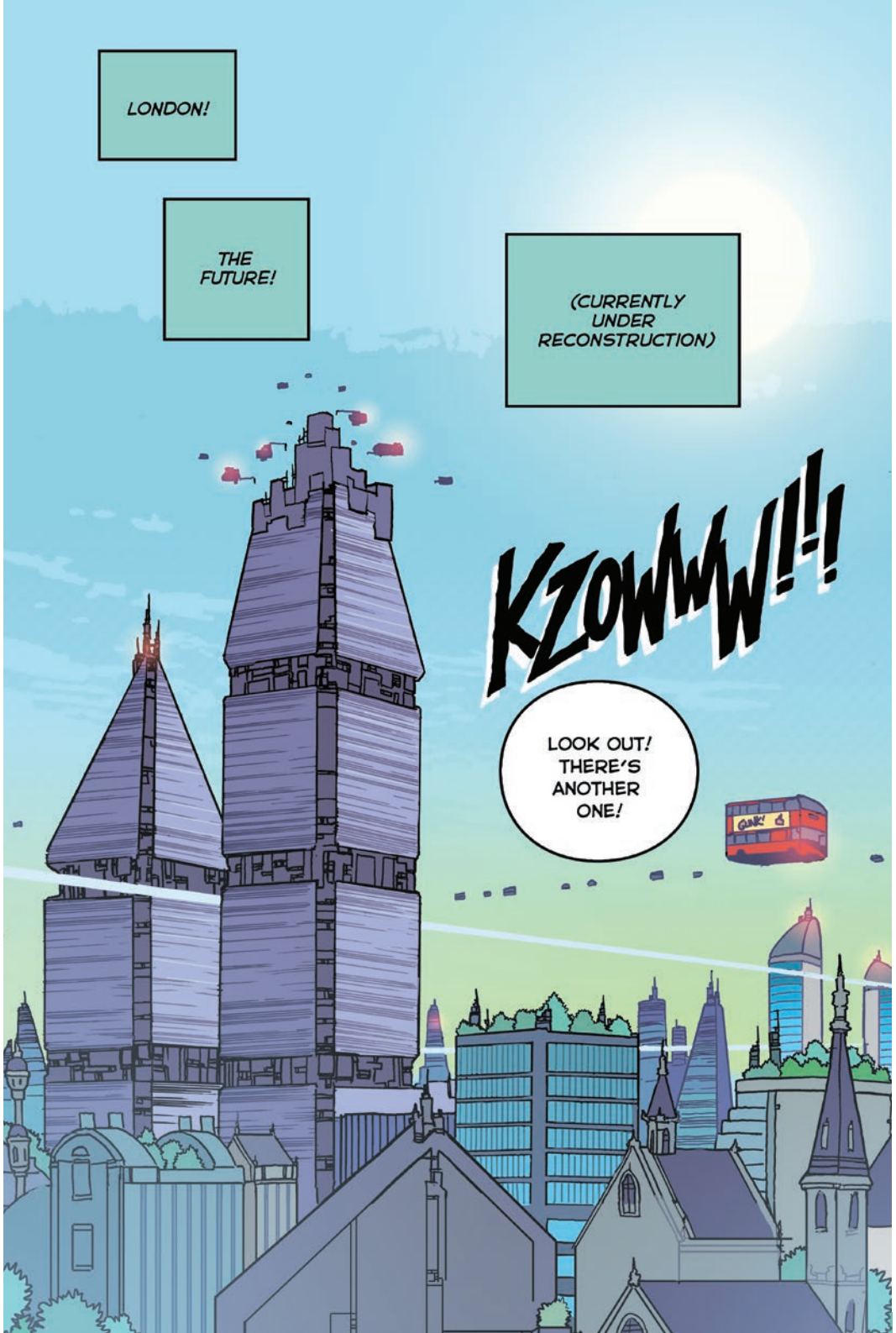
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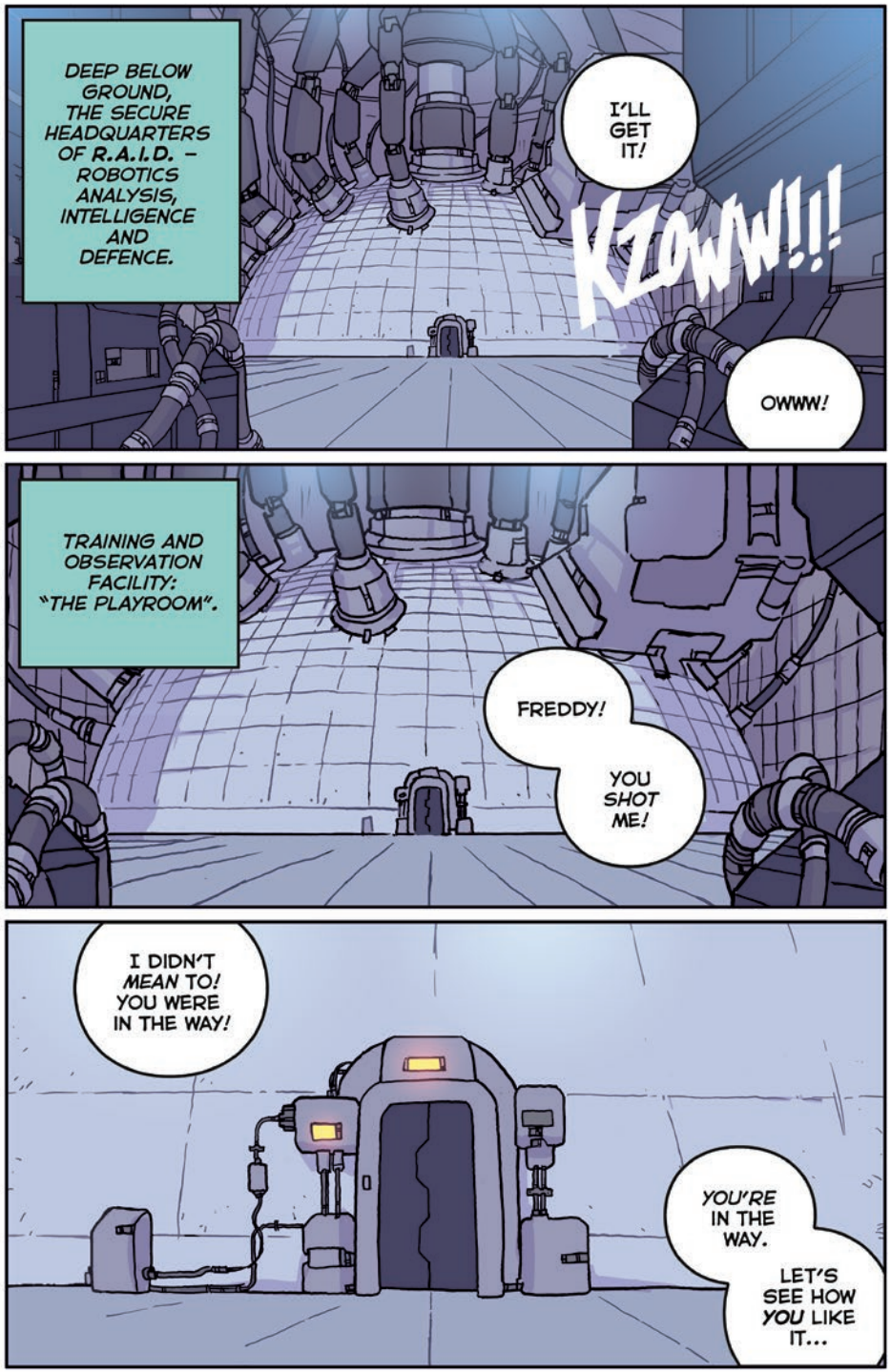
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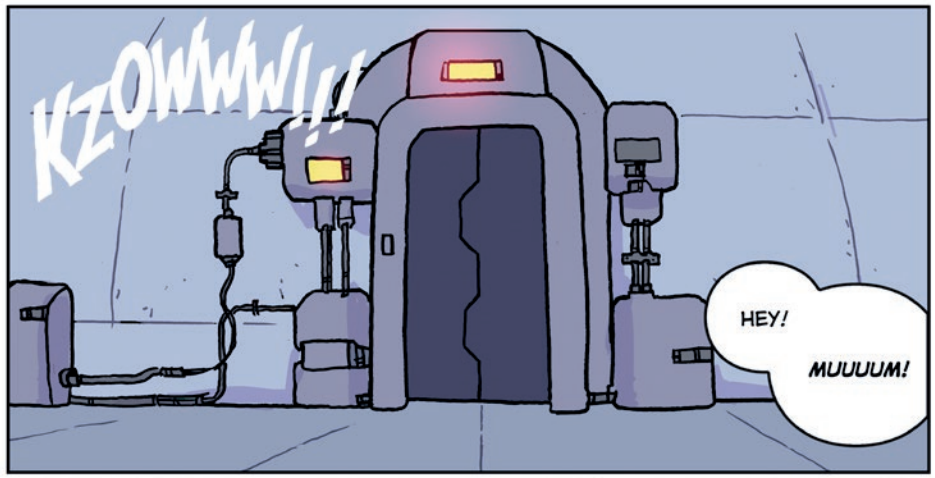
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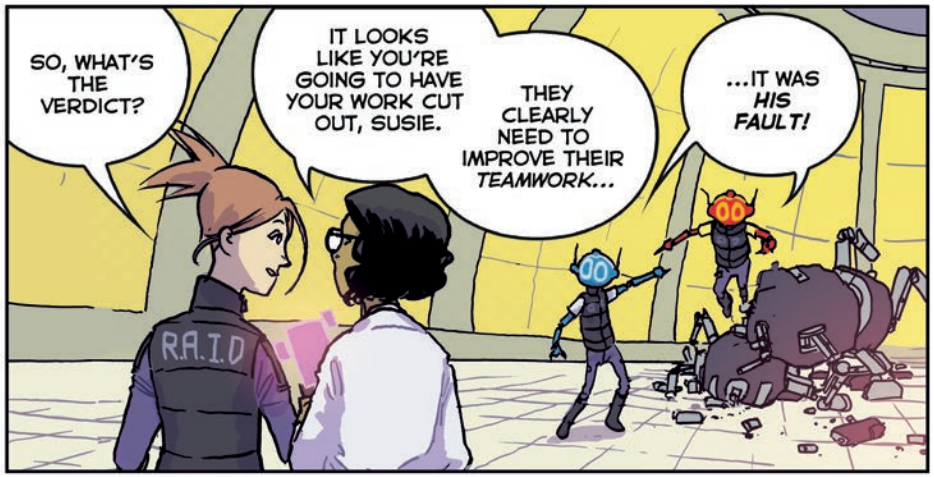
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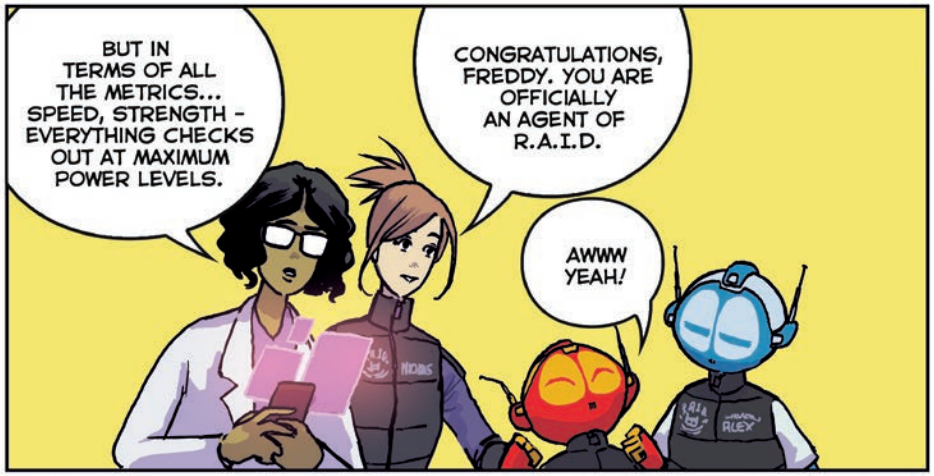

LONDON!
THE FUTURE!
(CURRENTLY UNDER RECONSTRUCTION)
KZOWWW!!!
LOOK OUT! THERE'S ANOTHER ONE!


DEEP BELOW GROUND, THE SECURE HEADQUARTERS OF R.A.I.D. – ROBOTICS ANALYSIS, INTELLIGENCE AND DEFENCE.
I'LL GET IT!
KZOWW!!!
OWWW!
TRAINING AND OBSERVATION FACILITY: "THE PLAYROOM".
FREDDY!
YOU SHOT ME!
I DIDN'T MEAN TO! YOU WERE IN THE WAY!
YOU'RE IN THE WAY.
LET'S SEE HOW YOU LIKE IT...

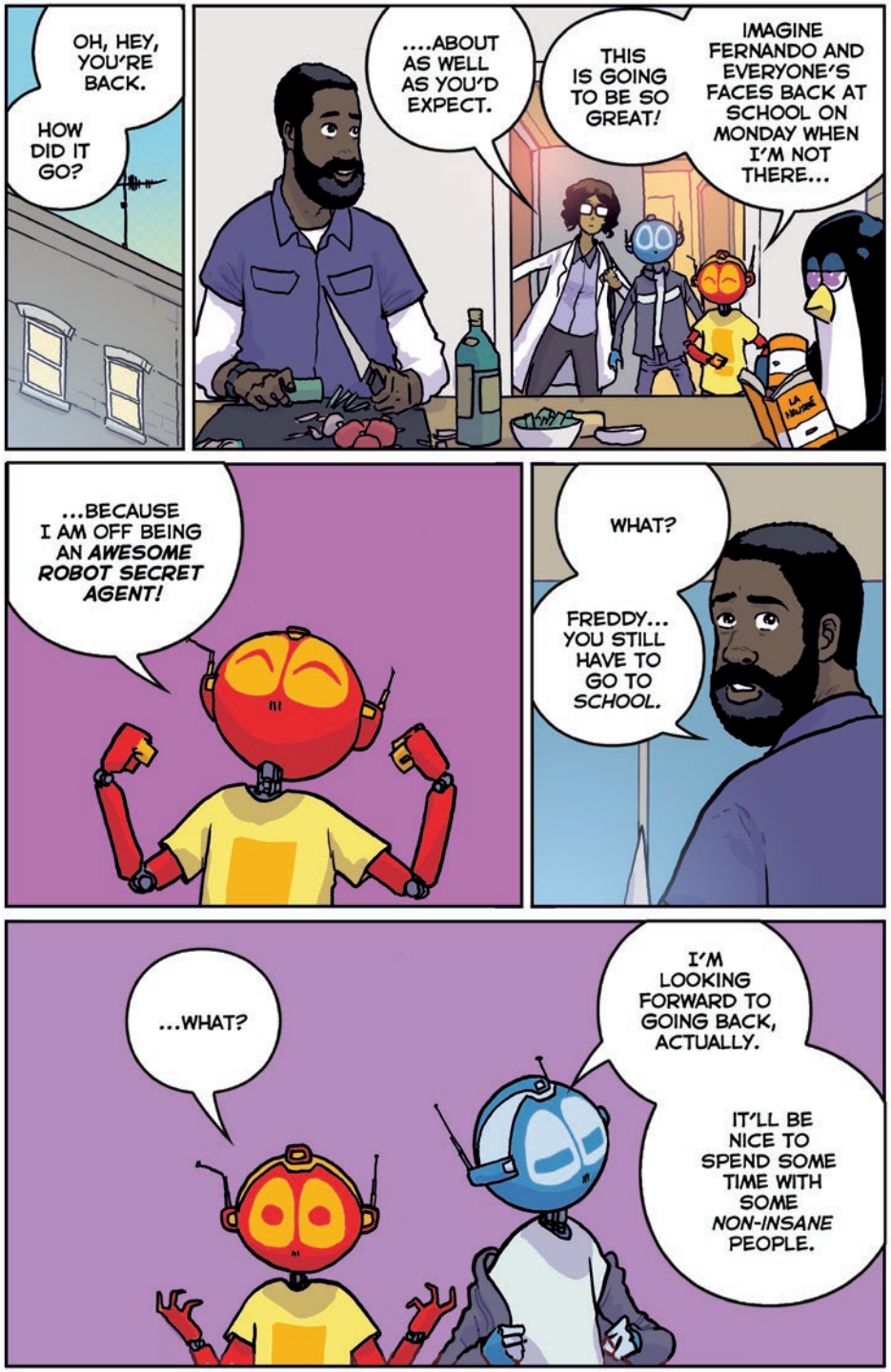

KZOWWWW!!!
HEY!
MUUUUM!


MUM!
ALEX IS BEING A JERK!
I'M BEING A...?
YOU SHOT ME!
OKAY, OKAY. I THINK THAT'S ENOUGH EXCITEMENT FOR ONE DAY.
TRAINING EXERCISE OVER.


SO, WHAT'S THE VERDICT?
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE YOUR WORK CUT OUT, SUSIE.
THEY CLEARLY NEED TO IMPROVE THEIR TEAMWORK...
...IT WAS HIS FAULT!
R.A.I.D


BUT IN TERMS OF ALL THE METRICS... SPEED, STRENGTH - EVERYTHING CHECKS OUT AT MAXIMUM POWER LEVELS.
CONGRATULATIONS, FREDDY. YOU ARE OFFICIALLY AN AGENT OF R.A.I.D.
AWWW YEAH!


...JERK!
I'M GONNA BE A WAY BETTER SECRET AGENT THAN YOU!
MUUUM! FREDDY IS BEING REALLY ANNOYING!
GUYS.
DON'T MAKE ME COME BACK THERE.


OH, HEY, YOU'RE BACK.
HOW DID IT GO?
....ABOUT AS WELL AS YOU'D EXPECT.
THIS IS GOING TO BE SO GREAT!
IMAGINE FERNANDO AND EVERYONE'S FACES BACK AT SCHOOL ON MONDAY WHEN I'M NOT THERE...
...BECAUSE I AM OFF BEING AN *AWESOME ROBOT SECRET AGENT!*
WHAT?
FREDDY... YOU STILL HAVE TO GO TO *SCHOOL.*
...WHAT?
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO GOING BACK, ACTUALLY.
IT'LL BE NICE TO SPEND SOME TIME WITH SOME *NON-INSANE* PEOPLE.


"Nothingness lies coiled in the heart of being — like a worm."
BUT...
BUT...
MUM, *TELL* HIM!
I DON'T HAVE TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL!
I AM AN *AWESOME ROBOT SECRET AGENT!*
FREDDY, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? OF *COURSE* YOU STILL HAVE TO GO TO SCHOOL.
YOU'RE A *CHILD.*
WHAT?!