

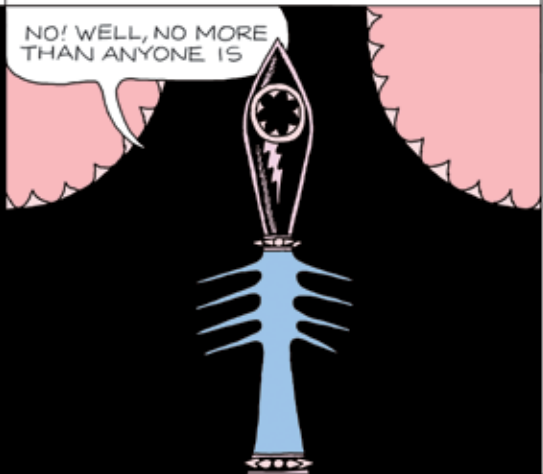


HELLO JACKIE. WE'RE ALL
BIG FANS OF YOUR WORK

I HOPE YOU'VE HAD
A CHANCE TO GET
YOUR BEARINGS



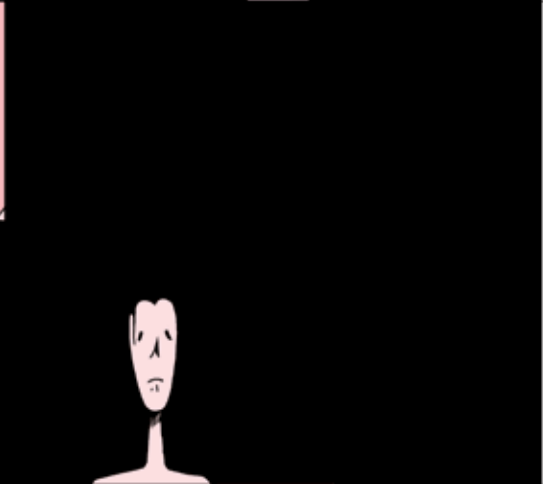
AM I DEAD?



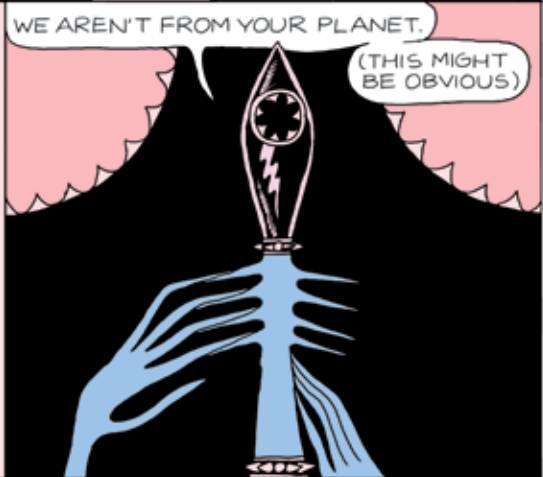
NO! WELL, NO MORE THAN ANYONE IS



OH! THERE'S SOME OF THAT FAMOUS LIP QUIVERING



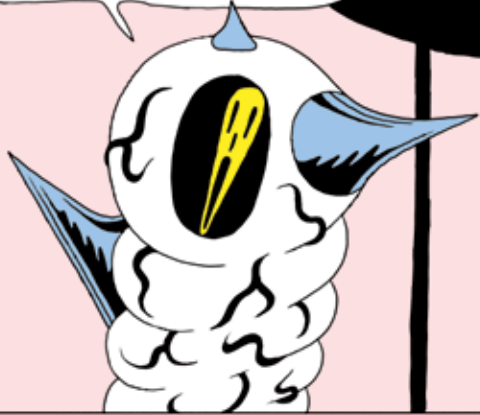
JACKIE, WE DON'T WANT TO OVERWHELM YOU WHILE YOU'RE STILL GETTING YOUR BEARINGS



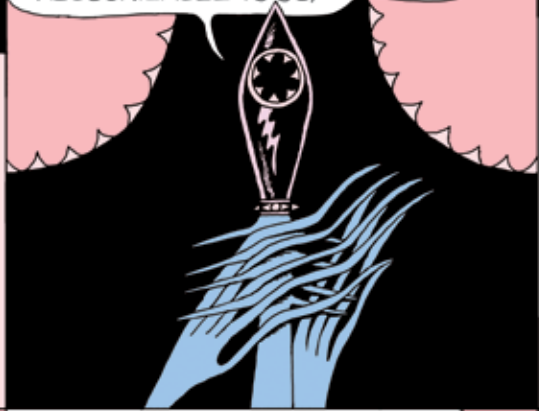
WE AREN'T FROM YOUR PLANET.

(THIS MIGHT BE OBVIOUS)

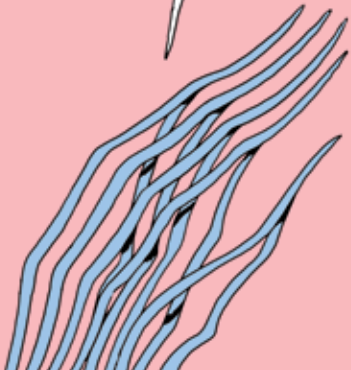
WE ARE FASCINATED WITH YOUR SPECIES' INNER WORLDS



WHILE "HUMAN BEINGS" HAVE SOME EMOTIONS THAT ARE MORE OR LESS RECOGNIZABLE TO US,



MANY OF THE ONES THAT DEFINE YOUR SPECIES' EXPERIENCE--



GRIEF, SORROW, DESPAIR, DREAD, MALAISE, TO NAME A FEW-- ARE COMPLETELY NEW TO US



IT MAKES YOUR "EMOTIONAL RANGE"



WILDLY DIFFERENT FROM OUR OWN



IT'S BECOME A SUBJECT OF INTEREST FOR US. WE ARE SCHOLARS IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SADNESS

SCHOLARS, BUT ALSO ENTHUSIASTS! WE'RE FANS, FIRST AND FOREMOST

JACKIE, YOU'RE SOMEWHAT OF A CELEBRITY WHERE WE'RE FROM

YOU--YOU LISTEN TO MY MUSIC?

NOT AT ALL. YOU ARE A CELEBRITY DUE TO YOUR UNIQUE EXPERTISE IN SADNESS. AFTER YEARS OF RESEARCH, WE HAVE DETERMINED

THAT YOU ARE, SIMPLY PUT, THE SADDEST LIVING PERSON IN THE ENTIRE WORLD

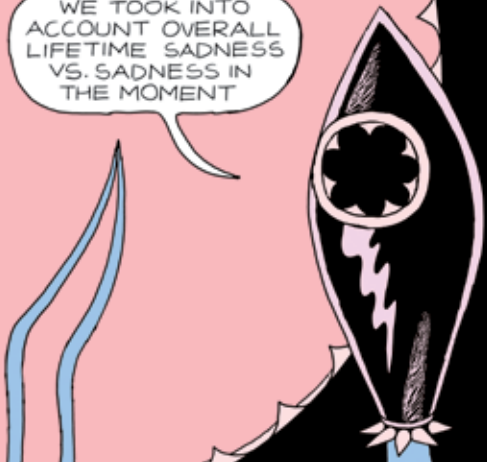


I'M NOT SURE IF
YOU WERE AWARE

WHAT --
WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?!



FOR INSTANCE, A PARENT WHO'D JUST
WATCHED A CHILD DIE MIGHT HAVE A
VERY ACUTE, SHARP SENSE OF GRIEF
IN THE MOMENT,



WE TOOK INTO
ACCOUNT OVERALL
LIFETIME SADNESS
VS. SADNESS IN
THE MOMENT



WHILE STILL YIELDING OVERALL
TYPICAL LEVELS OF DESPAIR ACROSS
THEIR ENTIRE LIFE



AND USING THAT
CRITERIA: YOU ARE
THE SADDEST



I WILL SAY, YOU
HAD A LOT OF
COMPETITION



YOU'RE WRONG. I'M MUCH BETTER THAN I USED TO BE --

OUR OBSERVATIONS BEG TO DIFFER



MY THERAPIST SAYS WE'VE BUILT A LOT OF COPING SKILLS... BUILT UP EMOTIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE



AND YET YOU'RE STILL THE SADDEST PERSON IN THE WORLD



MY LIFE--MY LIFE'S NOT SO BAD--!



THAT'S TRUE. IN TERMS OF MATERIAL CONDITION, IT'S ONLY SLIGHTLY ABOVE AVERAGE LEVELS OF BAD



THESE CONTRADICTIONS ONLY ADD TO THE TEXTURE OF YOUR SADNESS. DEPTH



I DIDN'T KILL MYSELF--

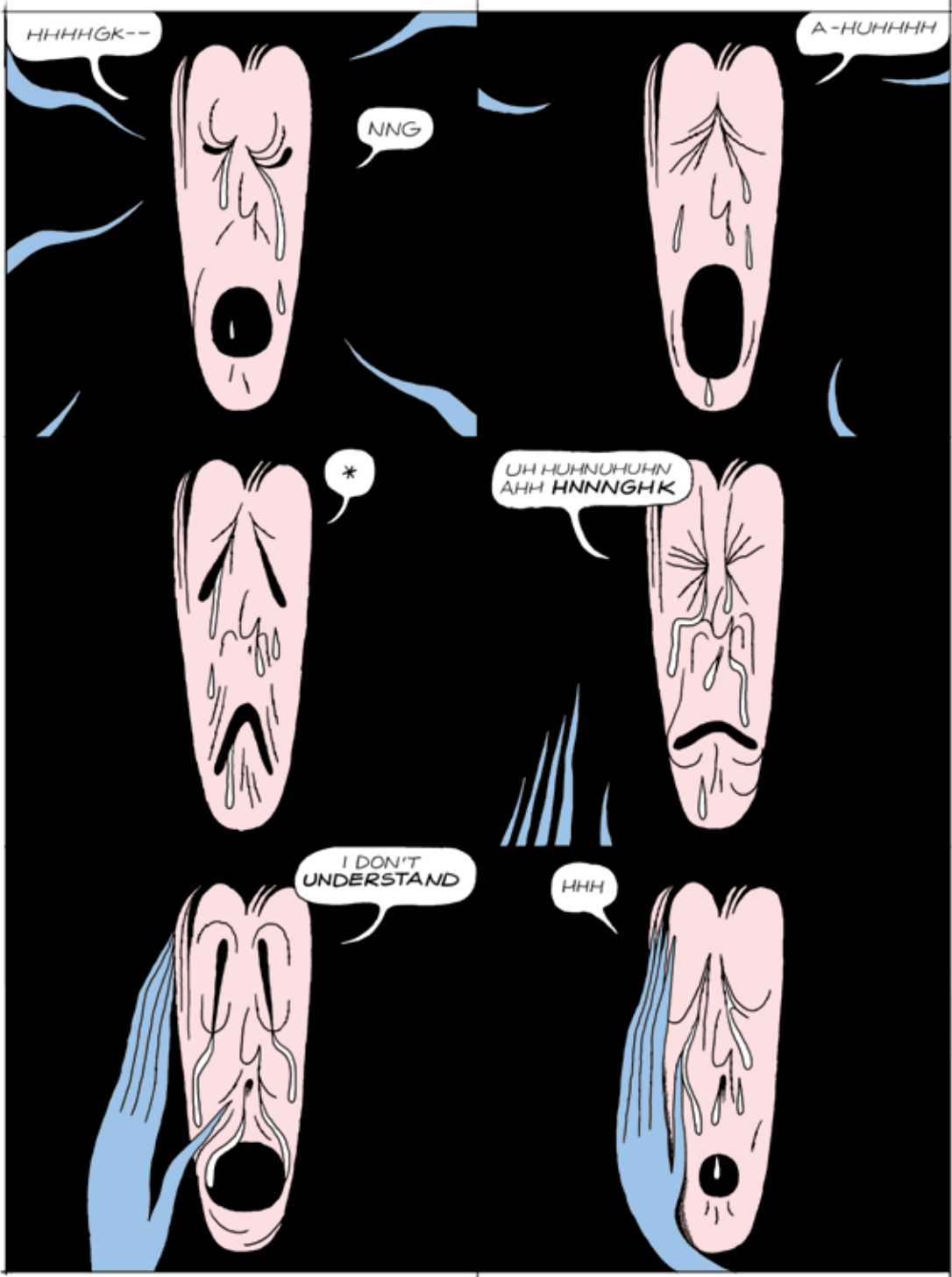
I LIVED--!

EVEN SADDER

IF THOSE ATTEMPTS HAD SUCCEEDED, WELL

SOMEONE ELSE WOULD BE THE SADDEST LIVING PERSON IN THE WORLD

HUUH--
A-HUUH



HHHHGK--

A-HUHHHH

NNG

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UH HUHNUHUHN
AHH HNNNGHK

I DON'T
UNDERSTAND

HHH

WONDERFUL. THAT'S THE REACTION DAMPENERS IN YOUR BLOOD WEARING OFF

HHGK

THIS IS WHAT YOU'RE HERE FOR!

PURE, UNFILTERED JACKIE...

UH HUH H H

H N N G

FUCK

THIS IS SO FUCKED

UH HUH H H

AH HUN
NANGK



AH
HUHH



SOB



HNNH
KG*



THEY POINT A
CAMERA AT ME

