

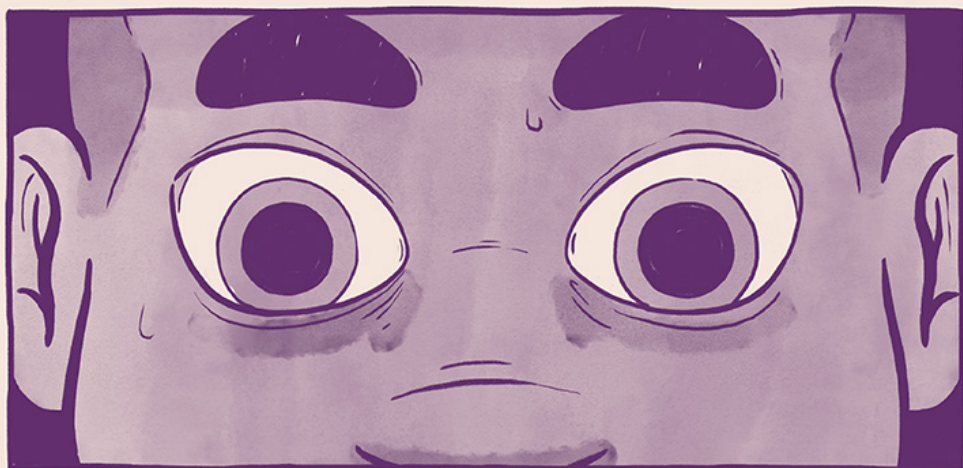
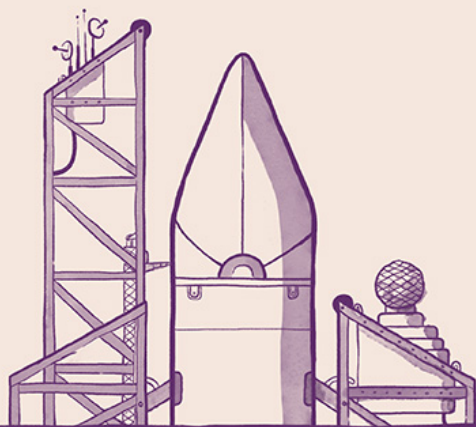
EXTRAGALACTIC

BY LUKE HOWARD

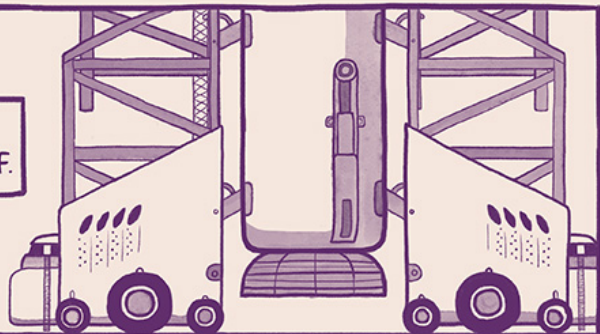



CONDITIONS WITHIN
ACCEPTABLE RANGE.

ALL SYSTEMS NOMINAL.




CLEAR THE LAUNCHPAD,
AND STANDBY FOR LIFTOFF.






DO Y'ALL EVER WONDER IF
HATING WHERE YOU'RE FROM JUST
MAKES YOU HATE WHO YOU ARE?



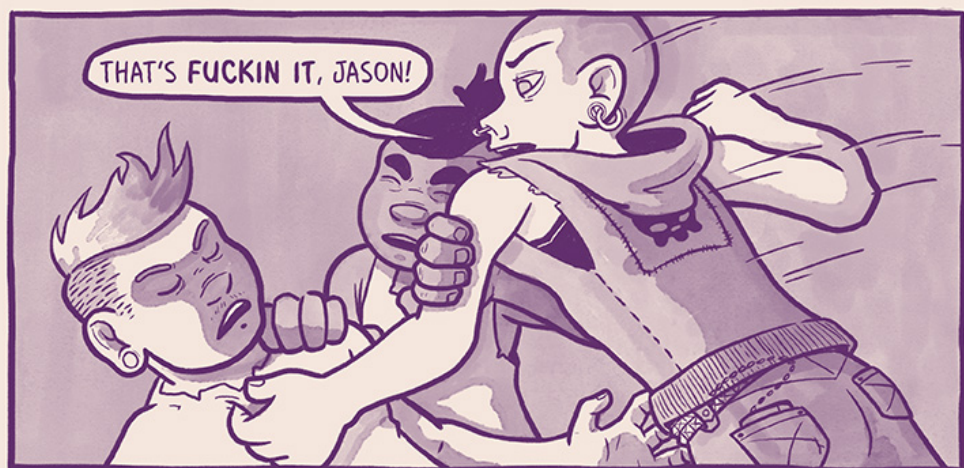
WHAT!? NO WAY,
THIS PLACE SUCKS. I CAN'T
WAIT TO GET OUT.



YEAH, I MEAN, I THINK IT SUCKS
TOO. I JUST WONDER IF THAT'S A
PRODUCTIVE THOUGHT PROCESS.

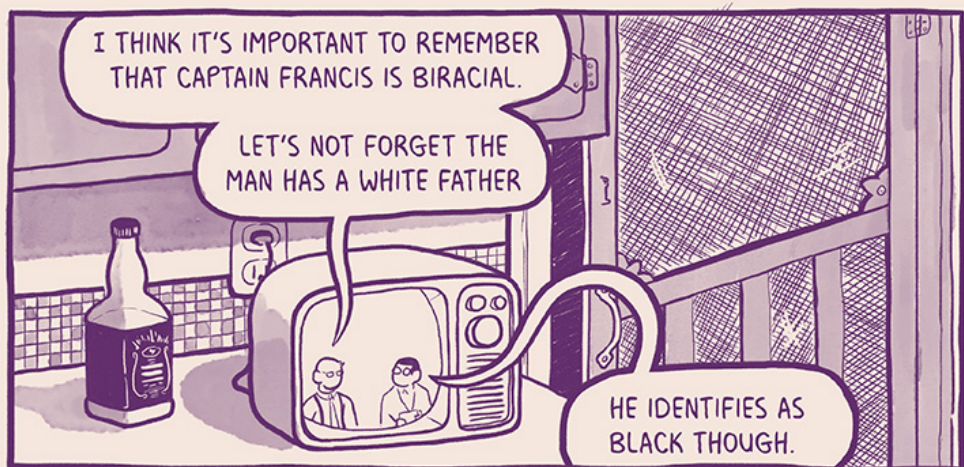
SARA, YOU'RE A DISGRACE TO
SMALL TOWN TEENS EVERYWHERE.

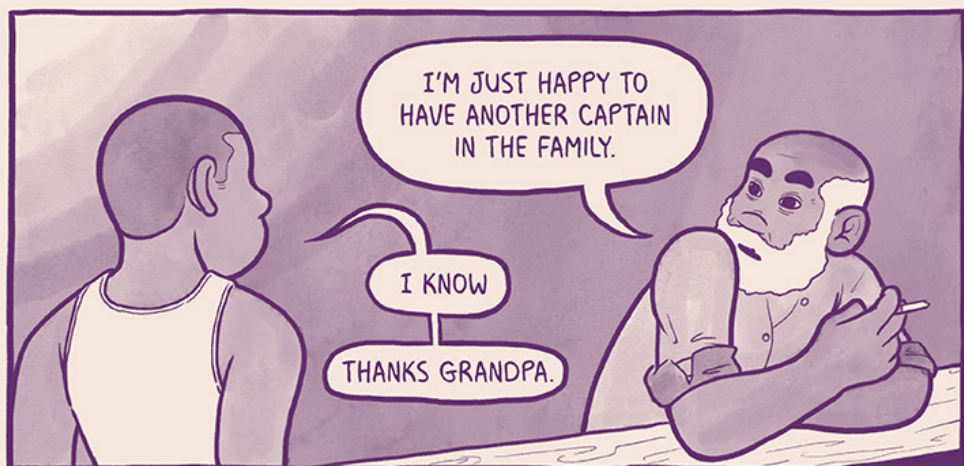















A woman with dark hair is lying in bed, propped up on one elbow. She is looking towards the left with a thoughtful expression. The bed has a striped pillow and blanket. A window with blinds is visible in the background.

TV'S RIGHT ABOUT ONE THING,
THE BOY DOES SOUND WHITE.

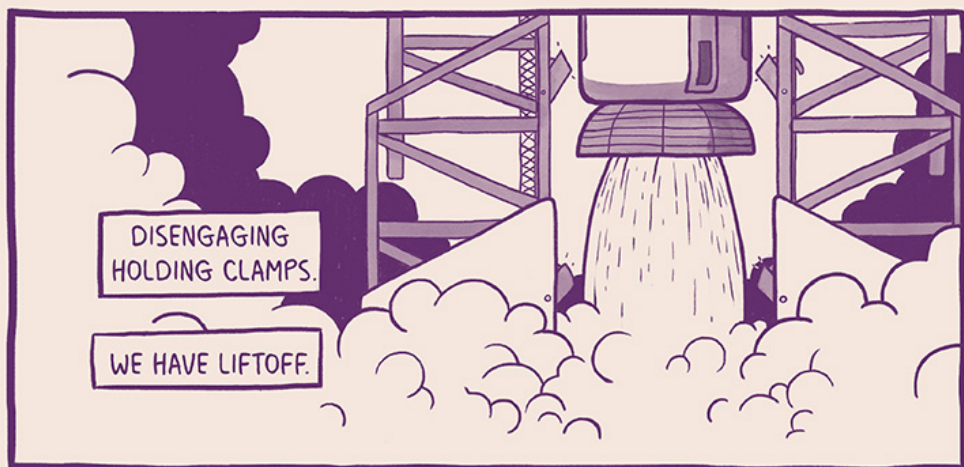
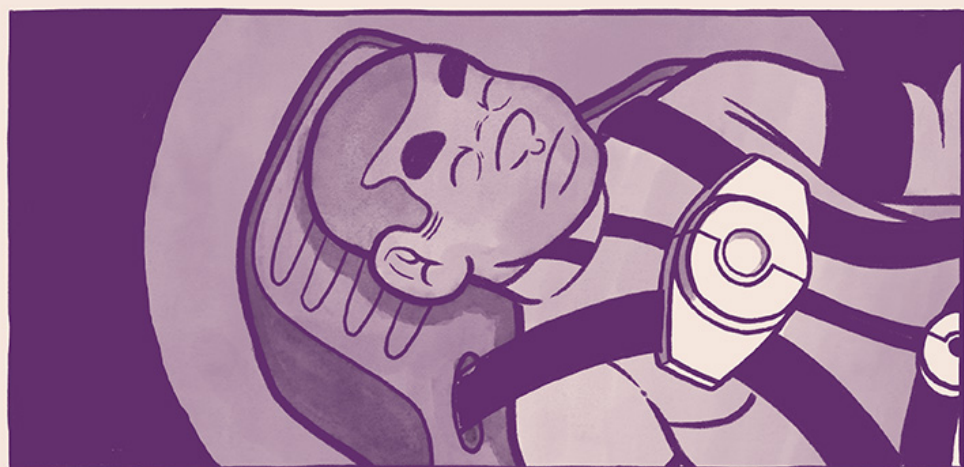
A man with a shaved head and a goatee is lying in bed, looking towards the left. He has a thoughtful expression. The bed has a striped pillow and blanket. A window with blinds is visible in the background.

SHHH!! NOT ANOTHER WORD. MAYBE IF
YOU AND MOM HAD LET ME RAISE HIM
INSTEAD OF SENDING HIM AWAY...

MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT...

YA SURE ARE DRINKING A LOT
TONIGHT. NERVOUS?

OF COURSE I AM. AREN'T YOU?





PHASE ONE RELEASED
AND BEGINNING DESCENT.

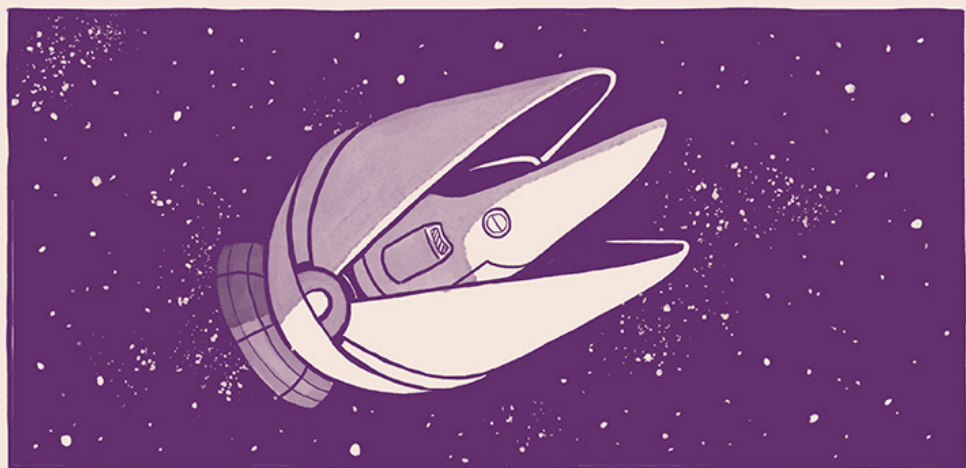
INITIALIZING PHASE
TWO ENGINES.

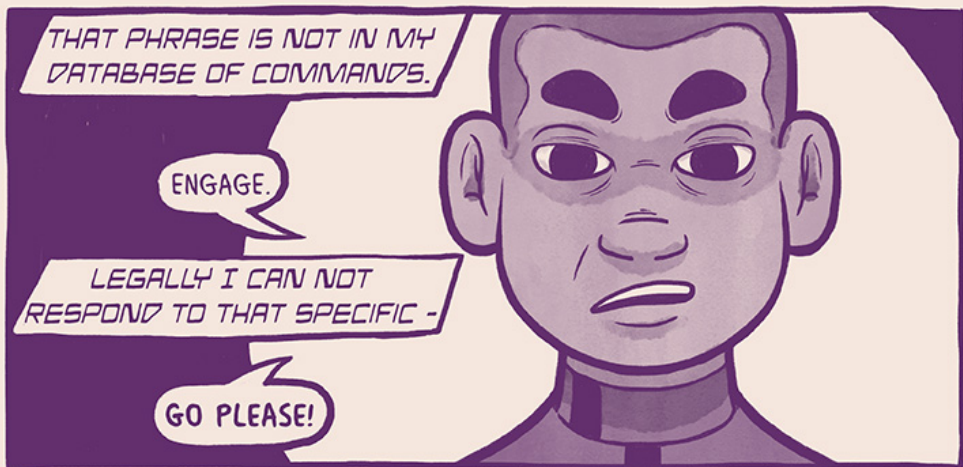
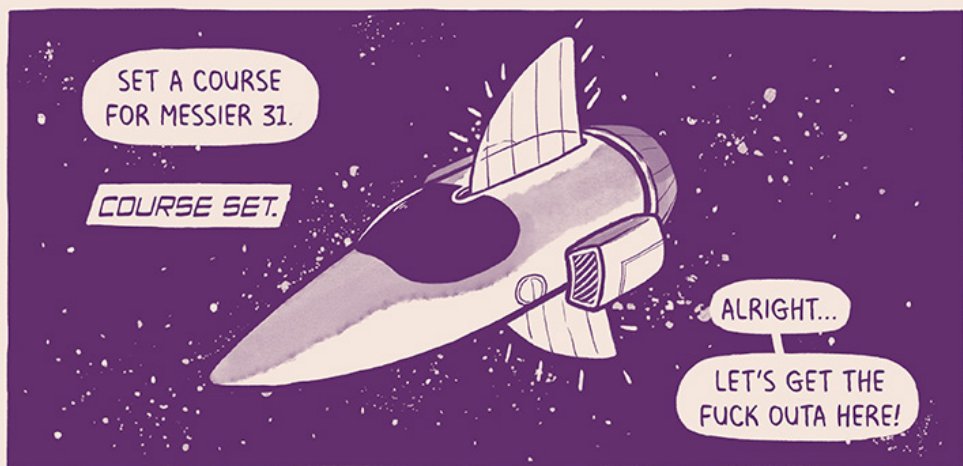


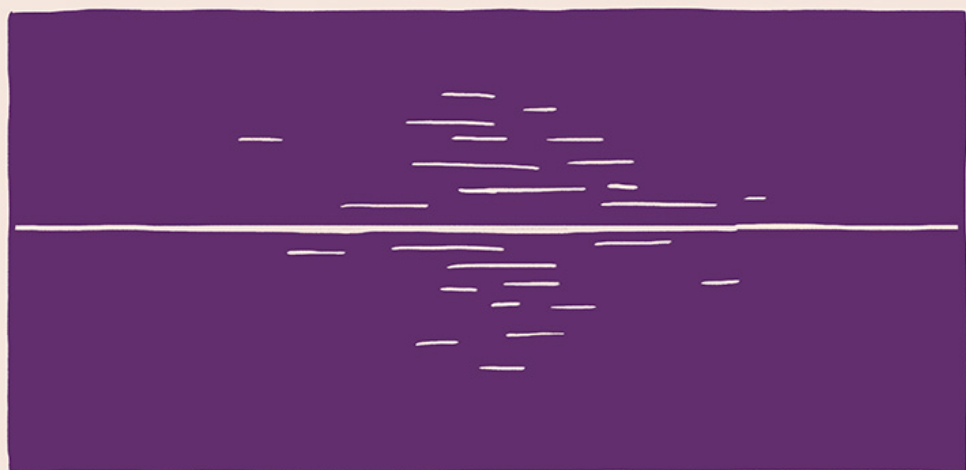
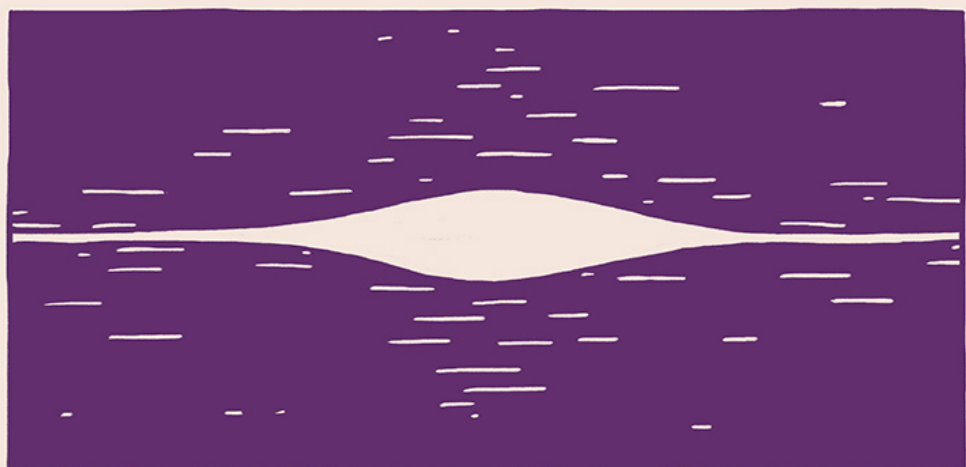
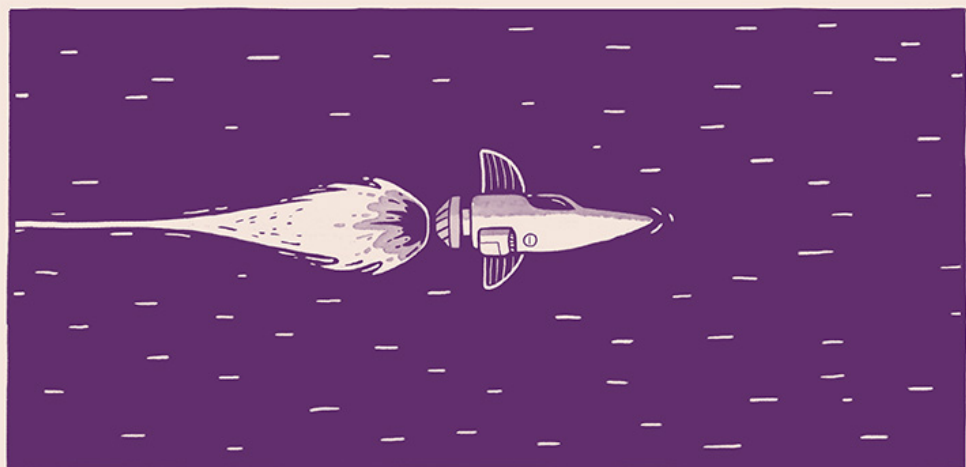
PHASE TWO RELEASED.



CAPSULE HAS LEFT
EARTH ORBIT.

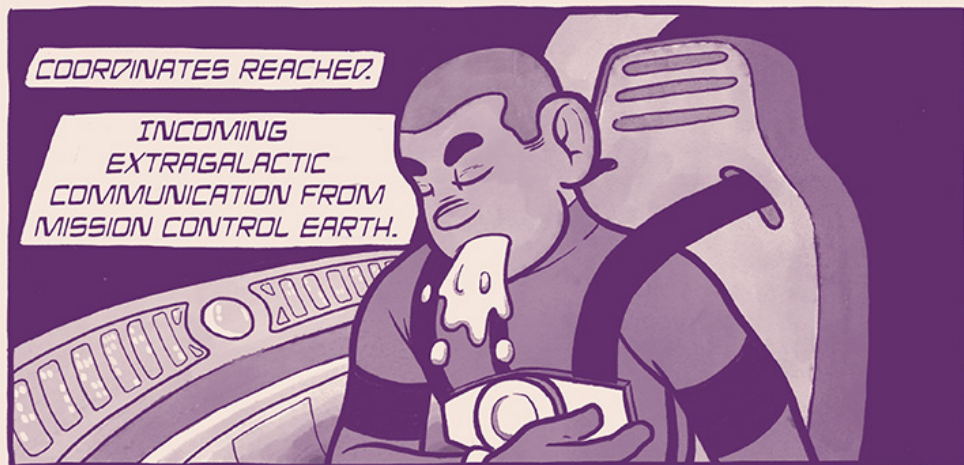






COORDINATES REACHED.

INCOMING
EXTRAGALACTIC
COMMUNICATION FROM
MISSION CONTROL EARTH.



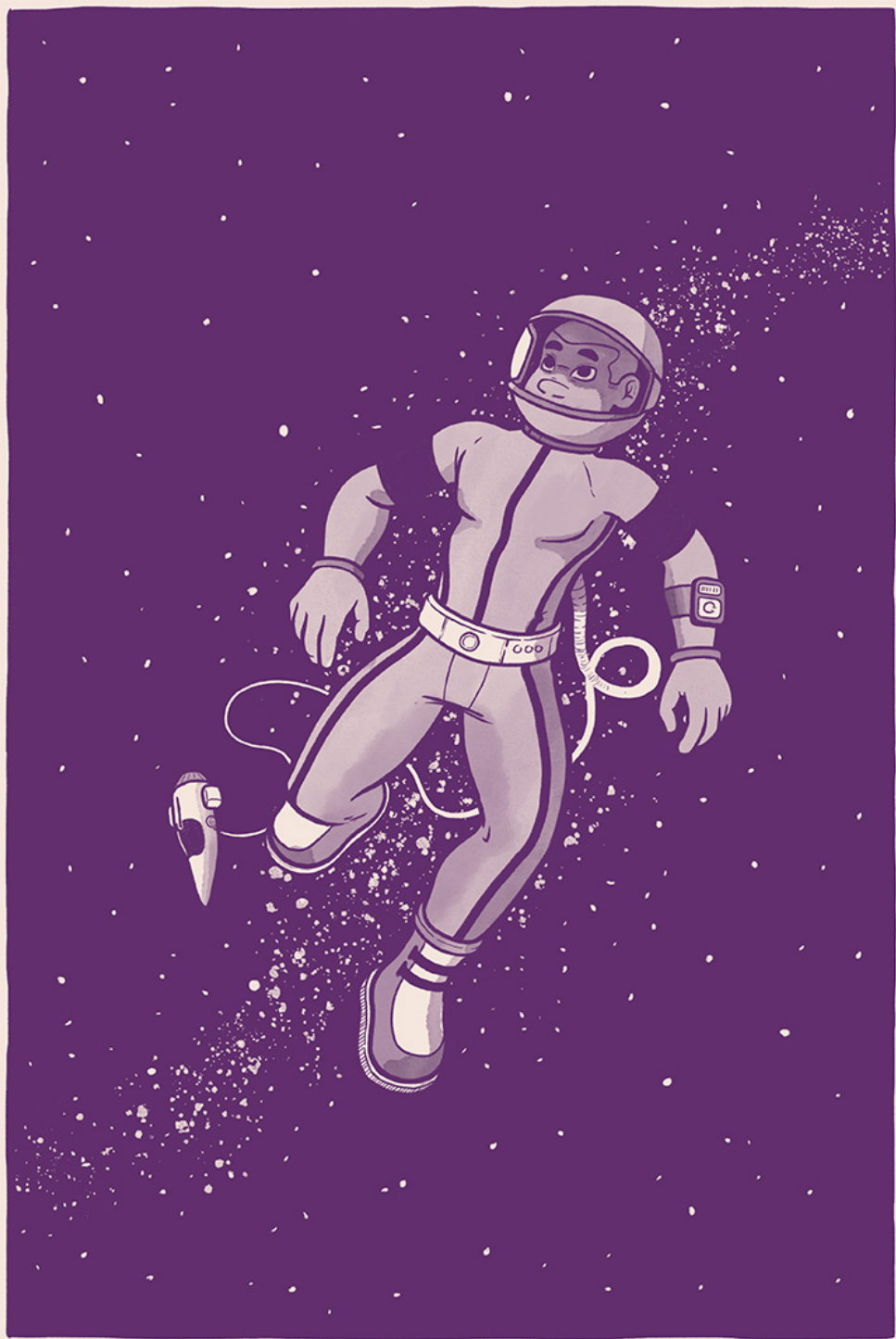
DISABLE ALL
EXTRAGALACTIC
COMMUNICATION
DEVICES.

CONFIRMED.



READY THE AIRLOCK,
I'M TAKING A WALK.





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