



ALL RIGHT, THEN. SINCE SAFIA HAS AN EXCUSE AND NATHAN IS OUT SICK ALL WEEK...



...ELLE WILL DO HER PRESENTATION THURSDAY.

WHAT?! BUT MRS. LAURENS, I'M NOT READY!



THAT IS NOT MY PROBLEM, YOUNG LADY.



I WAS SUPPOSED TO GO TWO WEEKS FROM NOW!

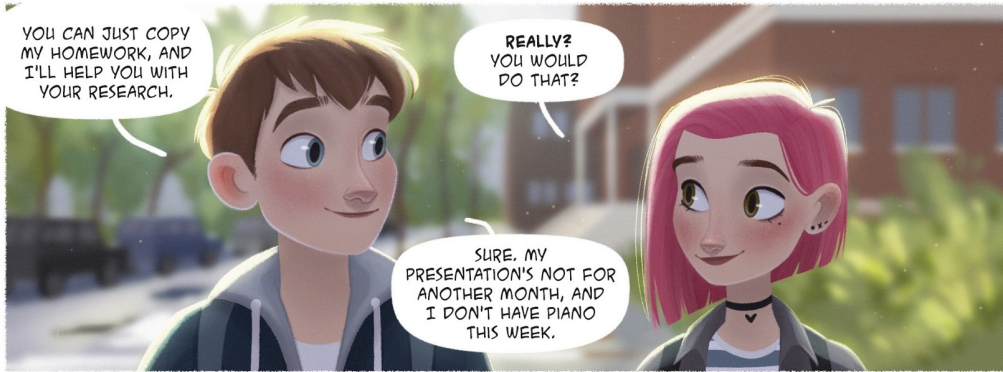
LOWER YOUR VOICE, WILL YOU?

OTHERWISE, YOU CAN WORK ON IT IN DETENTION.

BUT...



IT'S NOT FAIR.









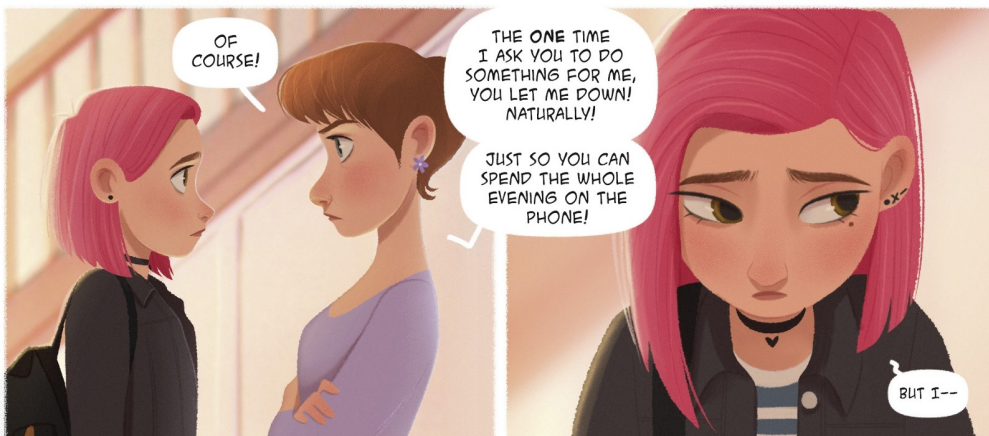
MOM, THERE'S A GUY PARKED OUTSIDE TAKING PICTURES OF OUR HOUSE.

AAAH! SWEETIE!
YOU'RE HOME AT LAST! NOW YOU CAN HELP ME!



I HAVE CLIENTS COMING OVER FOR A DEMONSTRATION OF NEW PRODUCTS, AND NOTHING'S READY.
CAN YOU DO THE APPETIZERS WHILE I SET UP THE LIVING ROOM?

BUT MOM, I HAVE TONS OF HOMEWORK, AND I--



OF COURSE!
THE ONE TIME I ASK YOU TO DO SOMETHING FOR ME, YOU LET ME DOWN! NATURALLY!
JUST SO YOU CAN SPEND THE WHOLE EVENING ON THE PHONE!

BUT I--