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MULTIMAX
AND THE
ZOMBIES
INVASION

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ALAIN M. BERGERON, AUTHOR

A prolific author, Alain has over 300 children's books to his name. In 1996, he partnered with Sampar, the start of a lifelong friendship and an invaluable collaboration that produced over a hundred works. *Did You Know? (Savais-tu?)* and *Billy Stuart* are just two of the many popular series they've created together. The action-filled series *MultiMax* was created in partnership with author and illustrator Freg.

Alain devotes himself exclusively to writing and to leading school workshops. His vivid writing and inexhaustible imagination have made him a fixture in children literature.

In 1990, he won his first literary award, quickly followed by numerous other nominations and prizes. His books have been translated around the world and are a monstrous success! The *Did You Know? (Savais-tu?)* series in particular has sold over 700,000 copies in Quebec alone.

FREG, AUTHOR, ILLUSTRATOR

A native of Quebec City, Freg majored in graphic design before becoming a full-time author and illustrator. Drawn to several art disciplines at once - including improvisation, photography, drawing, and humour - he combined his many interests in his first comic book, published by Éditions Petit Homme in 2013. Since then, he has travelled across Quebec leading activities and educational workshops in schools. Today, his portfolio includes several series: *The Smikee Gang (La Bande à Smikee)*, *Leo P., Private Detective (Léo P., détective privé)*, *Doctor Rip (Docteur RIP)*, and *MultiMax*.

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MISSION 01



PRÉSENTATION DE MAX

THIS IS MAXENCE GORAN.

ORIGINALLY FROM ROMANIA, MAX, AS HE'S KNOWN TO EVERYONE, HAS LIVED IN THE GRAND PORTAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD FOR FIVE YEARS NOW.

AT FIRST GLANCE, HE DOESN'T APPEAR ANY DIFFERENT FROM OTHER BOYS.

HI!

BUT ONE THING SETS HIM APART ... WELL, TEN THINGS ACTUALLY:

MAX IS A SUPERHERO. HE HAS THE POWER TO MULTIPLY TENFOLD, MEANING HE CAN MAKE TEN VERSIONS OF HIMSELF.

WHEN A MISSION CALLS FOR HIM TO MULTIPLY, HE SIMPLY HAS TO SAY:

AND TOUCH THE FINGER LINKED TO THE CLONE FOR THE JOB.

MULTIPLICATA!

EACH FINGER CALLS UP A DIFFERENT VERSION OF MAX.



EACH MAX HAS HIS OWN COLOUR AND SUPERPOWER.



01 STRENGTH



02 TELEPATHY



03 FLIGHT



04 TIME CONTROL



05 ENHANCED VISION AND HEARING



06 FLAMETHROWING



07 SPEED



08 PROTECTIVE SHIELD



09 ELASTICITY



10 SHAPESHIFTING

THERE YOU HAVE IT ... IF YOU'RE OBSERVANT, YOU'LL HAVE NOTICED THE 10TH MAX IS MISSING. HMM ... MAX PREFERS NOT TO HAVE TO CALL ON THIS ONE. HE'S KIND OF A DISTRACTED GOOFBALL ... HIS COLOUR IS BEIGE. IF HE WERE A DALTON BROTHER, HE'D BE AVERELL. HE'S THE TYPE TO DROP EVERYTHING IN THE MIDDLE OF A MISSION AND ASK: "WHEN DO WE EAT?" AS PART OF THE MULTIMAX SUPERHERO GENEPOOL, HE'S CONSIDERED THE MISTAKE OF THE GROUP ... BUT SOMETIMES, HE CAN SURPRISE YOU ...

MONDAY.
END OF DAY.

THE AIR IS FRESH AND COOL.
THERE'S NOT A CLOUD IN THE
BRIGHT BLUE SKY. THE TREES
ARE DECKED OUT IN A VIVID
PALETTE OF COLOUR.

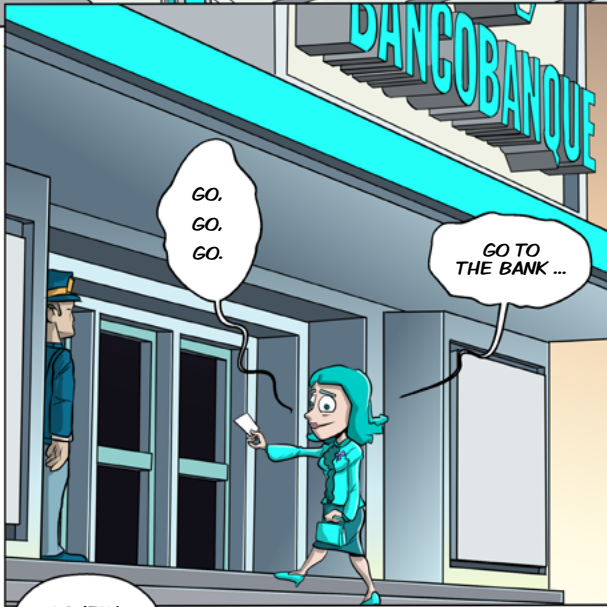
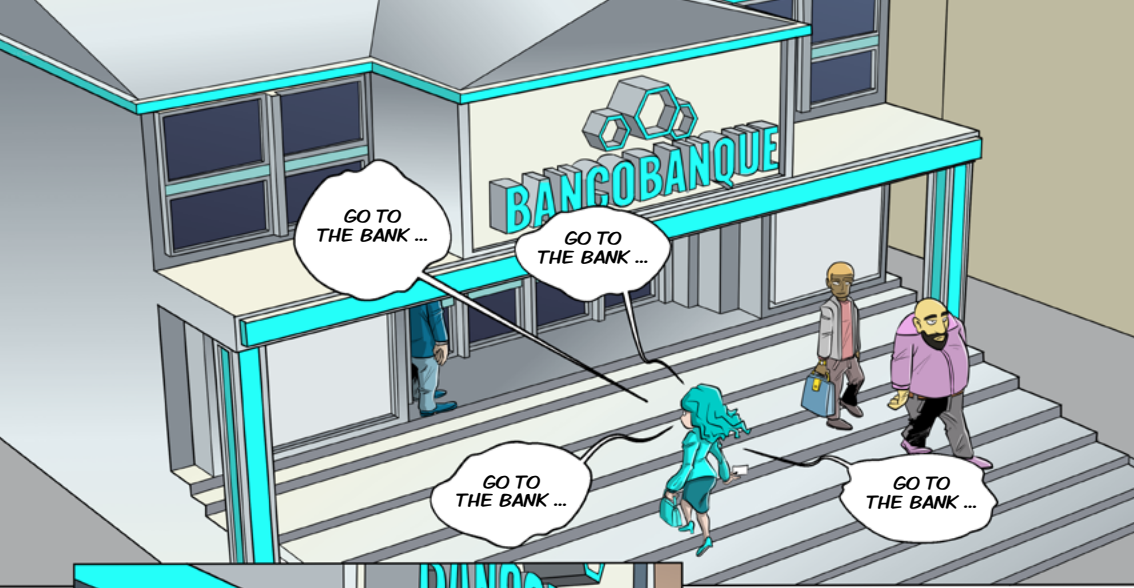
HER BLEARY-EYED GAZE BETRAYS HER INDIFFERENCE.
AN ASTUTE OBSERVER WOULD SAY THAT THIS WOMAN IS ...
ELSEWHERE.

BUT MS VIOLETTE IS
OBLIVIOUS TO THIS
SPLENDID LANDSCAPE.

BUT "ELSEWHERE"
DOESN'T MEAN
"ALONE".

YOU
KNOW
WHAT YOU
HAVE
TO DO.

GO ON!



THIS IS A STICK UP. I AM
ARMED. REMAIN CALM
AND PLACE THE MONEY
FROM THE REGISTERS IN
THESE BAGS

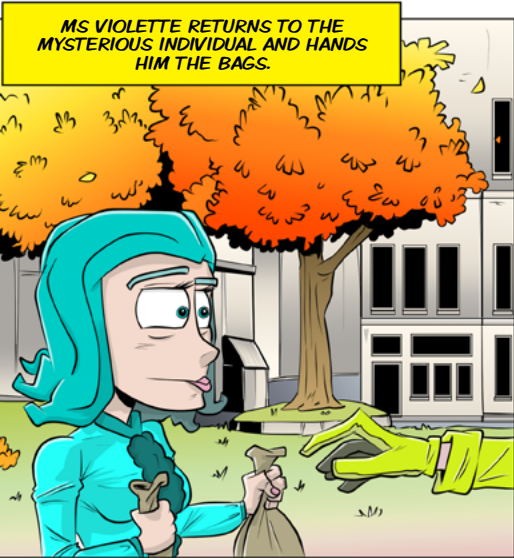
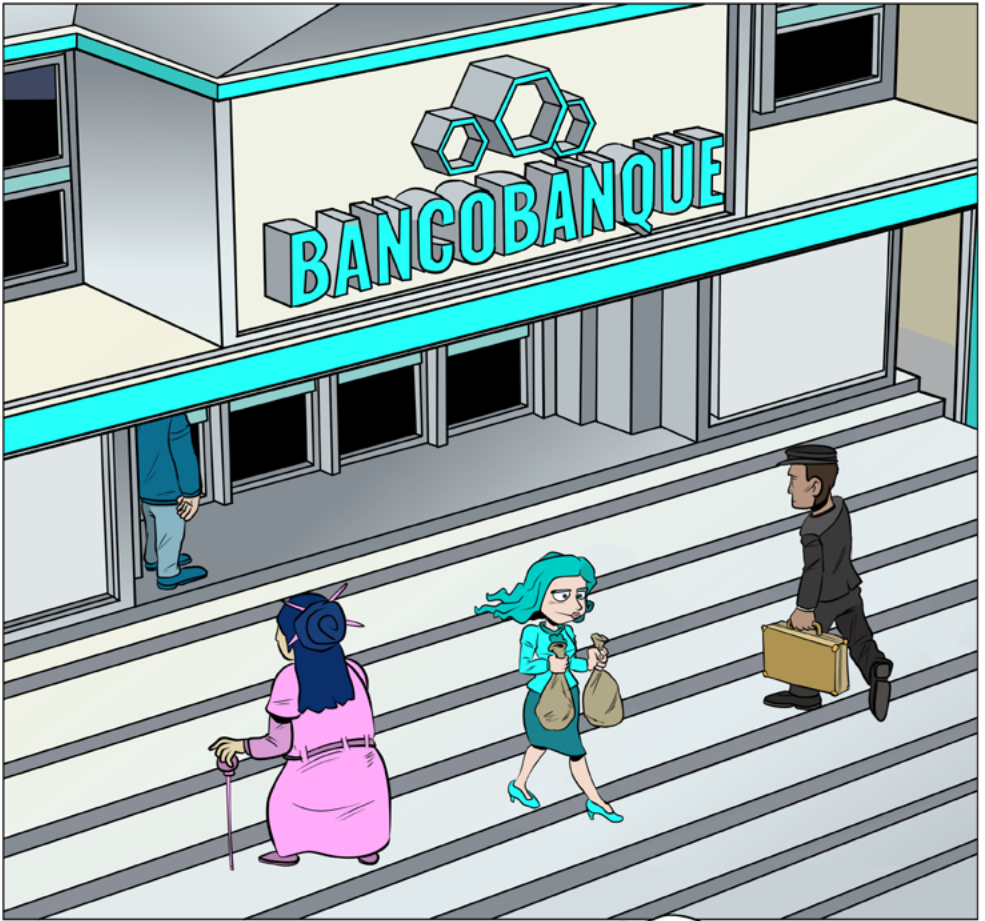
THIS
REALLY ISN'T
THE KIND
OF HELP
I WAS
EXPECTING
TO PROVIDE.
MA'AM ...

A FEW SECONDS LATER,
THE TELLER PRODUCES
THE BAGS OF MONEY ...

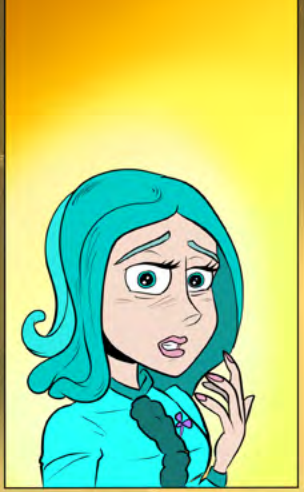
TOK!

TOK!

THE THIEF GRABS THEM AND
LEAVES THE PREMISES IN NO
APPARENT HURRY.



RAPIDLY, MS VIOLETTE BECOMES AWARE OF HER SURROUNDINGS AGAIN.



TUESDAY MORNING, AT THE GORAN HOME.

IT'S A QUIET START TO THE DAY. IN THE KITCHEN, MAX IS DEVOURING HIS BREAKFAST.

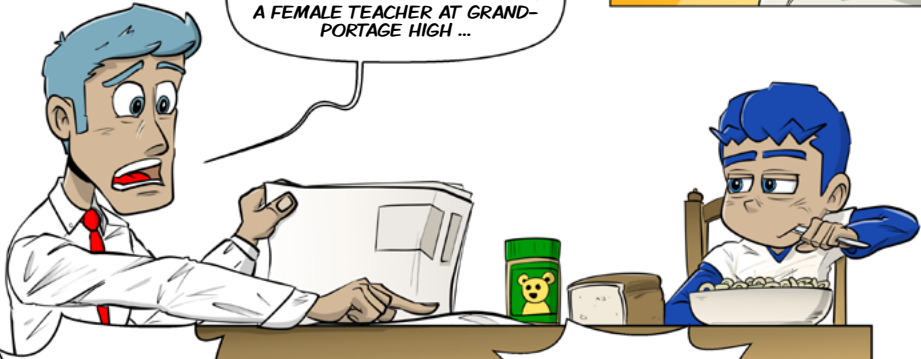


IT'S LIKE YOU'RE EATING FOR TEN ...

THAT'S FAIRLY CLOSE TO THE TRUTH.

LISTEN TO THIS!

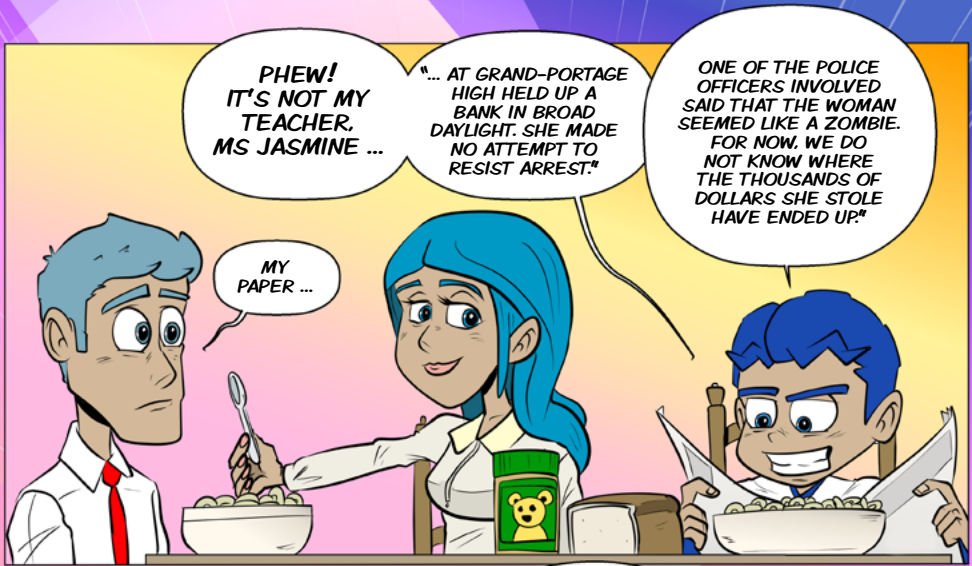
"THE SPREE OF MYSTERIOUS CRIMES COMMITTED BY ORDINARY CITIZENS CONTINUES. YESTERDAY, TOWARDS THE END OF THE DAY, A FEMALE TEACHER AT GRAND-PORTAGE HIGH ...



GRAND-PORTAGE!?

THAT'S MY SCHOOL!



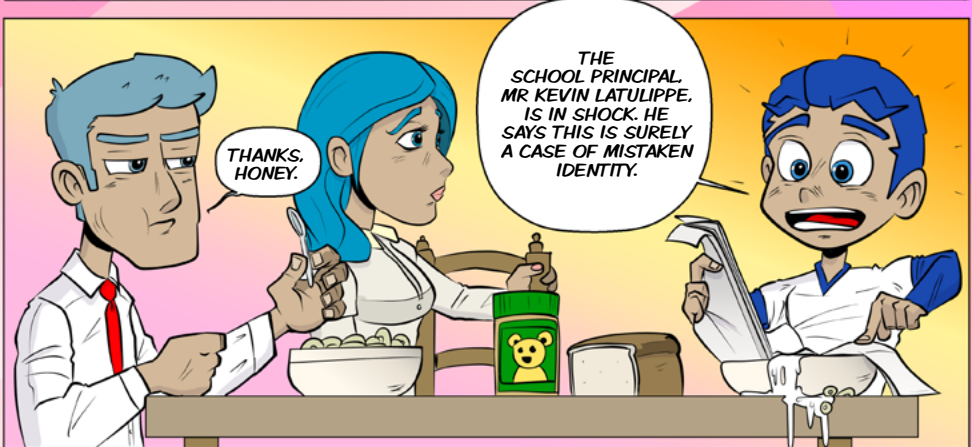


PHEW!
IT'S NOT MY
TEACHER,
MS JASMINE ...

MY
PAPER ...

"... AT GRAND-PORTAGE
HIGH HELD UP A
BANK IN BROAD
DAYLIGHT. SHE MADE
NO ATTEMPT TO
RESIST ARREST."

ONE OF THE POLICE
OFFICERS INVOLVED
SAID THAT THE WOMAN
SEEMED LIKE A ZOMBIE.
FOR NOW, WE DO
NOT KNOW WHERE
THE THOUSANDS OF
DOLLARS SHE STOLE
HAVE ENDED UP."



THANKS,
HONEY.

THE
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL,
MR KEVIN LATULIPPE,
IS IN SHOCK. HE
SAYS THIS IS SURELY
A CASE OF MISTAKEN
IDENTITY.

THIS IS A
JOB FOR US,
MAXENCE!

WE COULD
USE A LITTLE
ADVENTURE ...

WE'RE
THE BEST!

I'VE RECORDED
ALL THE
DETAILS.

THE WOMAN
SEEMED LIKE A
ZOMBIE?

WHEN
DO WE
EAT?

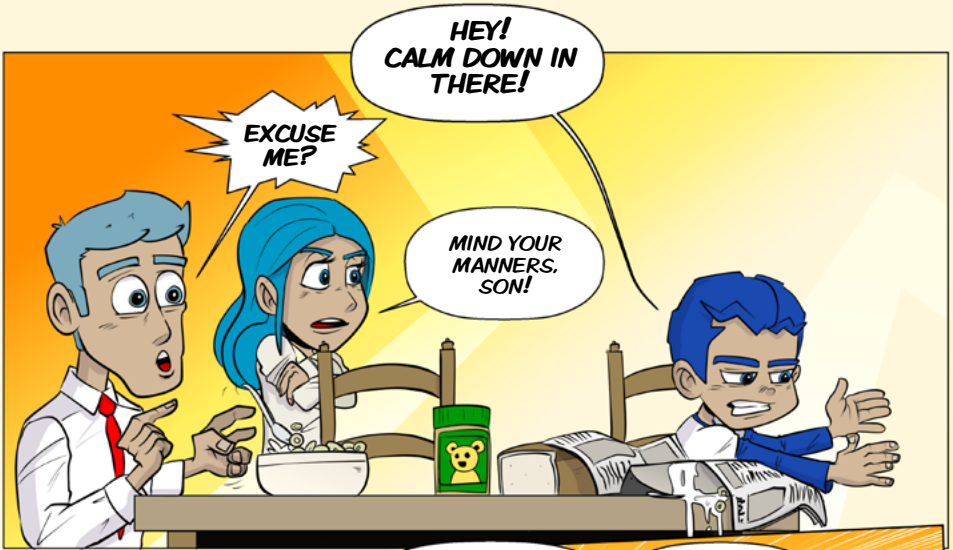
WATCH OUT,
BAD GUYS!

AAAAH! ALL
THIS ONE
THINKS ABOUT
IS FOOD!

WHAT A
STRANGE
ARTICLE ...

SO, ARE
WE DOING
THIS OR
WHAT?





HEY!
CALM DOWN IN
THERE!

EXCUSE
ME?

MIND YOUR
MANNERS,
SON!



NO! I WASN'T TALKING
TO YOU. I WAS TALKING
TO ... UH ...

THE ZOMBIES
COMMITTING ALL
THESE CRIMES.

GOOD ONE. LIKE
THEY CAN HEAR
YOU ...



OKAY ...
WE'LL
JUST
FORGET
ABOUT
THIS ...



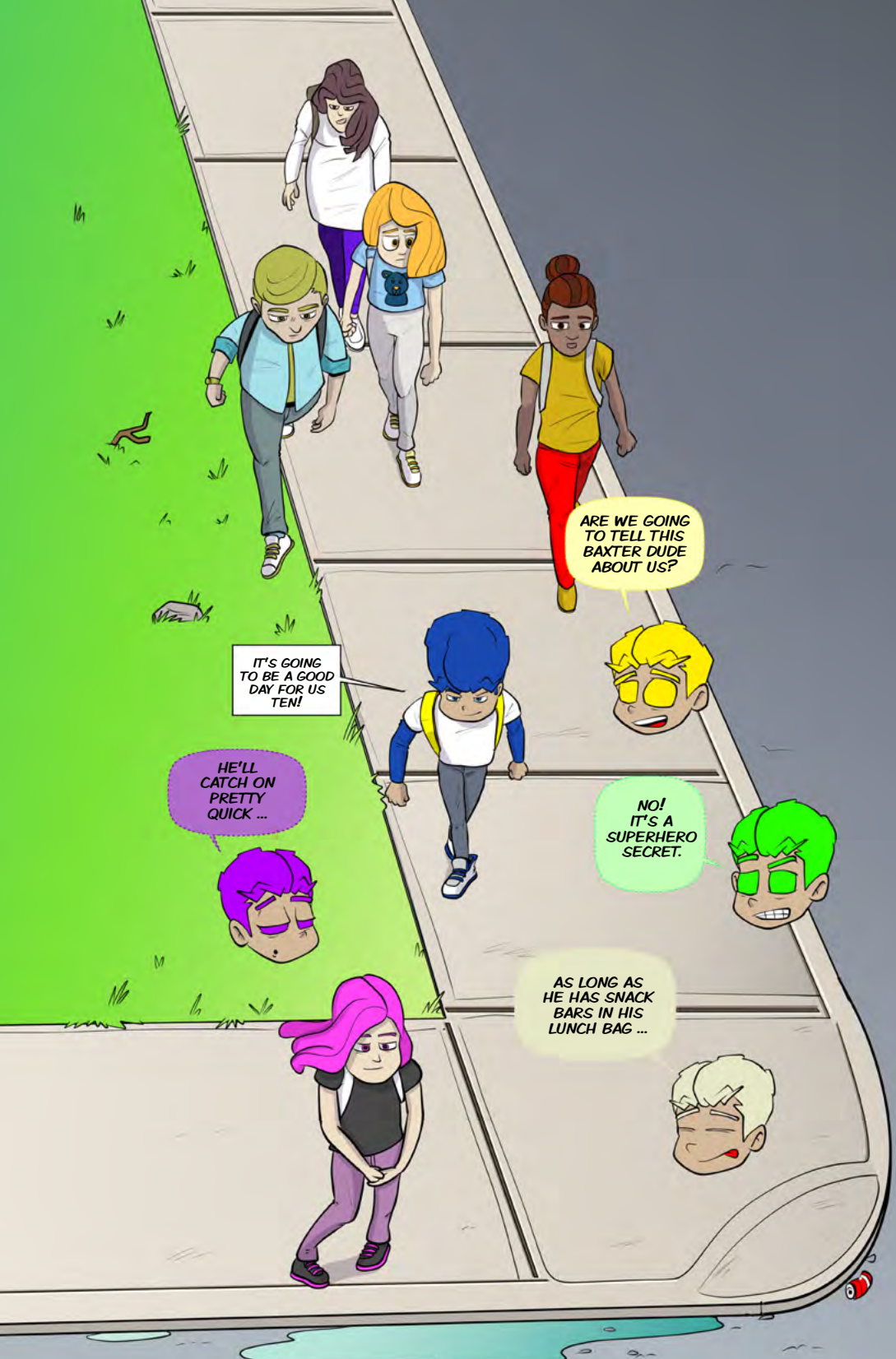
GOOD THINKING,
MAX ...



MAX,
DON'T FORGET
ABOUT OUR NEW
NEIGHBOUR,
BAXTER.

YES.
MOM. I'LL
LOOK OUT
FOR HIM.

HAVE
A GOOD
DAY YOU
TWO!



IT'S GOING TO BE A GOOD DAY FOR US TEN!

HE'LL CATCH ON PRETTY QUICK ...

ARE WE GOING TO TELL THIS BAXTER DUDE ABOUT US?

NO! IT'S A SUPERHERO SECRET.

AS LONG AS HE HAS SNACK BARS IN HIS LUNCH BAG ...

IN MS JASMINE'S CLASS, EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT THE NEW STUDENT.

CLASS, WE HAVE A NEW STUDENT TODAY.

HIS NAME IS BAXTER.

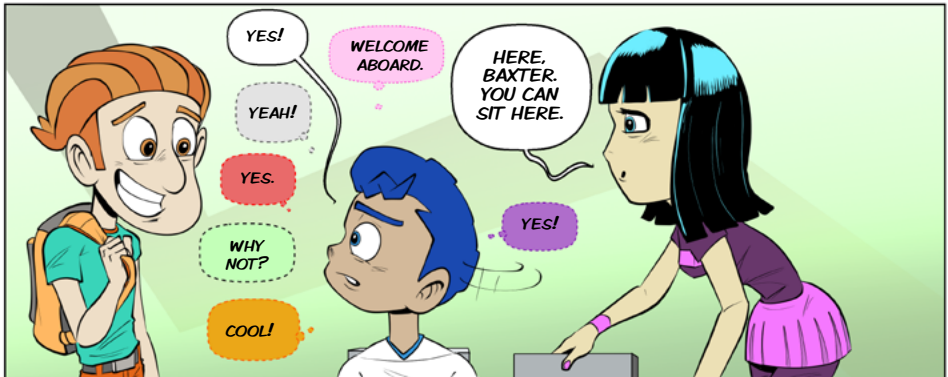
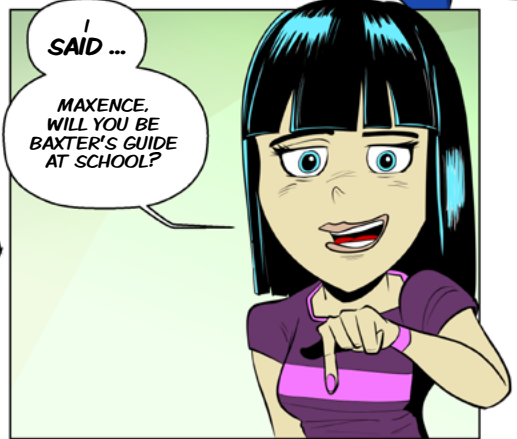
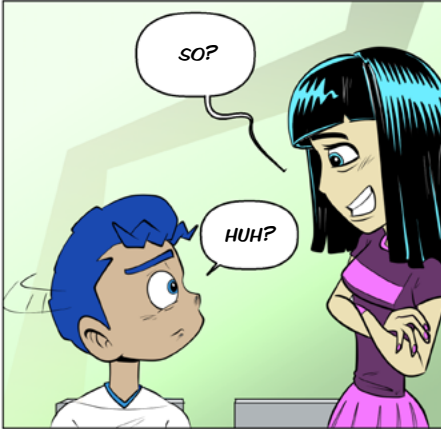
HI!

BAXTER SEEMS NICE.

YES, A NEW FRIEND WHO'LL SHARE HIS SNACKS WITH US.

HE COULD HELP US WITH OUR HOMEWORK ...

HE COULD BE A NEW FRIEND





MULTIMAX

AT FIRST GLANCE, there is nothing that distinguishes Maxence Goran from all the other boys his age. However, appearances can be misleading, because Max is a superhero. He possesses the ability to multiply into ten clones!

Max's clones will prove particularly useful when a series of mysterious crimes disturb his home neighbourhood. Citizens without criminal backgrounds momentarily transform into felons... How strange!

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