



# DEAD RECKON



HUNTER  
MALDONADO  
BLANCO





THIS USED TO  
BE MY SCHOOL.

ALL THE THINGS  
I USED TO WORRY  
ABOUT, NOW SEEM  
SO POINTLESS.

MAKING FRIENDS.  
MY PARENTS,  
BEING ON MY  
CASE. GRADES!

NOW I HAVE  
TO WORRY ABOUT  
EVERYONE I MEET--

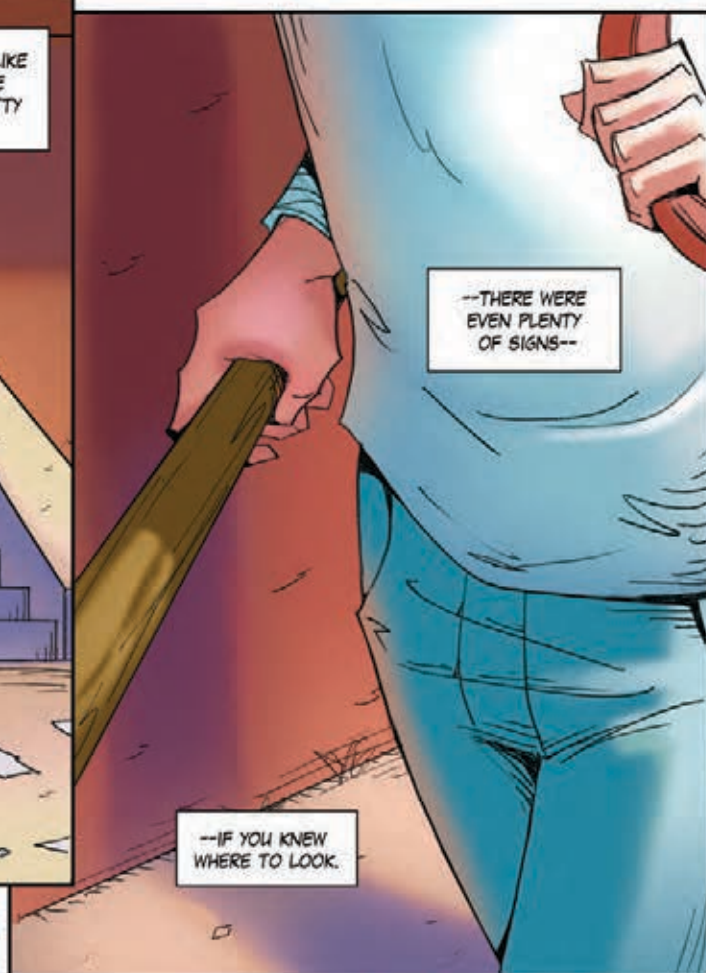


--FINDING MY  
PARENTS--



--AND  
ZOMBIES.







**RIIIING!**

MOHAN, FEET OFF YOUR DESK.

ALRIGHT EVERYONE,  
WE'RE ABOUT  
TO GET STARTED.

MOHAN WAS ACTUALLY  
THE FIRST ONE TO  
MENTION THE ZOMBIES.

THIS IS THE LAST DAY  
YOU HAVE IN CLASS TO WORK  
ON YOUR PROJECTS AND THEY  
ARE DUE NEXT WEEK.

PLEASE,  
REMEMBER,  
MAKE SURE YOU  
CITE ALL OF  
YOUR SOURCES.

AND IF ANYONE  
DIRECTLY CITES  
WIKIPEDIA, YOU  
WILL BE GIVING  
YOUR PRESENTATION  
OUT IN THE RAIN.

MR. HUNTER WAS  
KIND OF A WEIRD  
TEACHER, BUT HE  
WAS PRETTY GOOD.

MR.  
HUNTER!

WHAT IS IT,  
MOHAN?

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT  
THE ZOMBIE THAT ATTACKED  
SOME GUY THE OTHER DAY?

UM... I THINK  
I SAW THAT  
ARTICLE.

IT SOUNDED PRETTY  
WEIRD, BUT I DON'T  
KNOW IF IT'S REALLY  
A ZOMBIE.

BUT WHAT  
IF IT IS?!

I HEARD  
ABOUT  
THAT!

ZOMBIE  
APOCALYPSE!

ALRIGHT!  
LET'S GET  
BACK ON  
TASK.

IF YOU'RE SO  
INTERESTED,  
YOUR HOMEWORK  
TONIGHT IS TO  
PLAN HOW YOU  
WOULD PREPARE  
FOR A ZOMBIE  
OUTBREAK.

WHATT  
SERIOUS?

ACTUALLY,  
YES. WE WILL  
BE STUDYING  
GOVERNMENT  
RESPONSES TO  
RECENT NATURAL  
DISASTERS, AND  
THIS WILL HELP  
YOU GET...

PREPARED  
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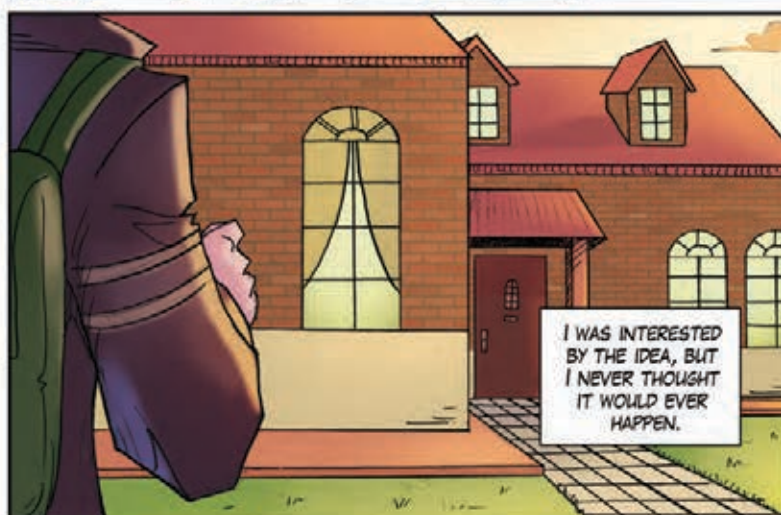


PEOPLE CONTINUED TO SAY THAT IT WASN'T ZOMBIES, RIGHT UP TO THE END.

SOME THOUGHT IT WAS JUST RUMORS.



SOME THOUGHT IT WAS JUST A BIG INTERNET HOAX.



I WAS INTERESTED BY THE IDEA, BUT I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD EVER HAPPEN.



MY PARENTS NEVER ACCEPTED THE IDEA OF ZOMBIES.

THEY'RE TOO LOGICAL FOR THAT.





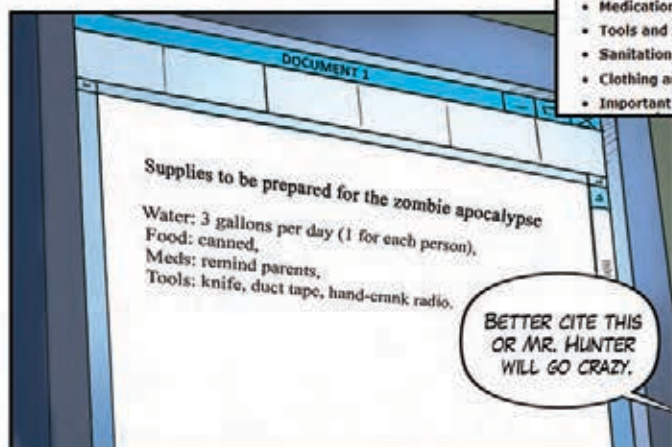
#### Better Safe than Sorry

So what do you need to do before zombies - or hurricanes or pandemics for example, actually happen? First of all, you should have an emergency kit in your house. This includes things like water, food, and other supplies to get you through the first couple of days before you can locate a zombie-free refugee camp (or in the event of a natural disaster, it will buy you some time until you are able to make your way to an evacuation shelter or utility lines are restored). Below are a few items you should include in your kit, for a full list visit the CDC Emergency page.

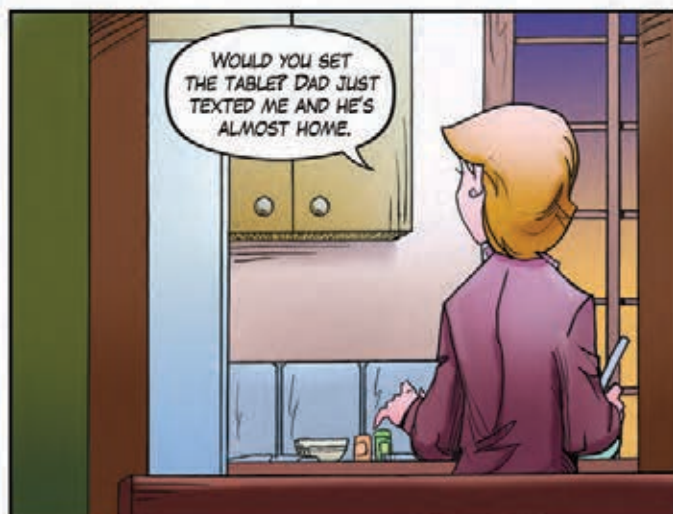


- Water (1 gallon per person per day)
- Food (stock up on non-perishable items that y
- Medications (this includes prescription and no
- Tools and Supplies (utility knife, duct tape, ba
- Sanitation and Hygiene (household bleach, sh
- Clothing and Bedding (a change of clothes for
- Important documents (copies of your driver's license, passport, and birth certificate to

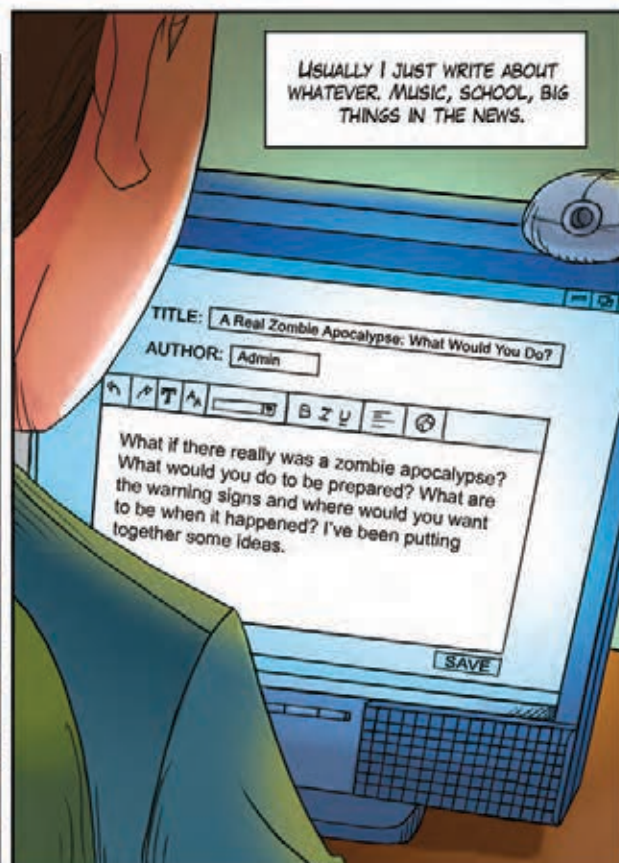
THEY'VE EVEN GOT A LIST OF STUFF YOU SHOULD HAVE FOR EMERGENCIES, INCLUDING ZOMBIES EMERGENCIES.











zombie attacks man |

I'VE HAD IT FOR A COUPLE YEARS NOW.

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## Police Stop Man Attacking, Biting Another Man

Police are still not providing information on the man they apprehended Saturday afternoon. Local surveillance footage shows the police arriving on the scene while two men struggle on the ground. Police tackled the aggressor who showed no signs of calming down, even as the police handcuffed the man and placed him in the squad car. The victim claims he was attacked by the man who came out of nowhere. The victim suffered from minor head wounds, bruises, and was severely bitten. He is currently in the hospital being treated for his wounds. Police believe the man they arrested was under the influence of illegal substances, but toxicology reports won't be available for two weeks.

OVER THE YEARS, I'VE GAINED SOME READERS. MOSTLY OTHER BLOGGERS.

What if there really was a zombie apocalypse? What would you do to be prepared? What are the warning signs and where would you want to be when it happened? I've been putting together some ideas.

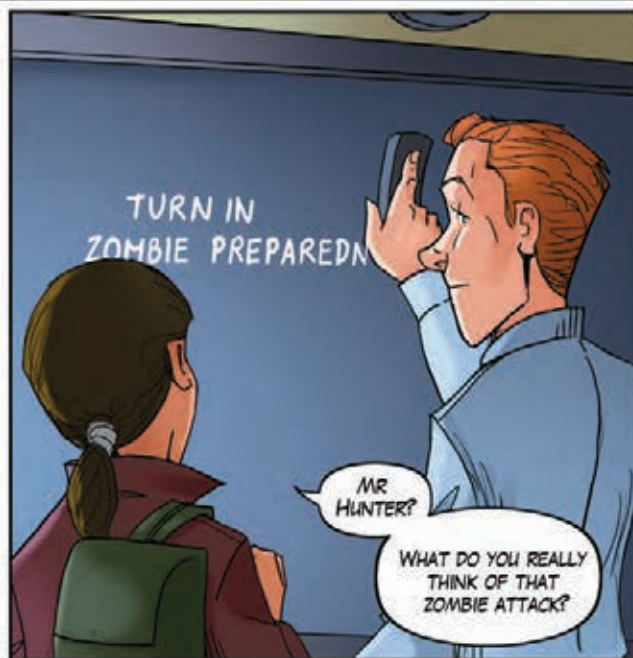
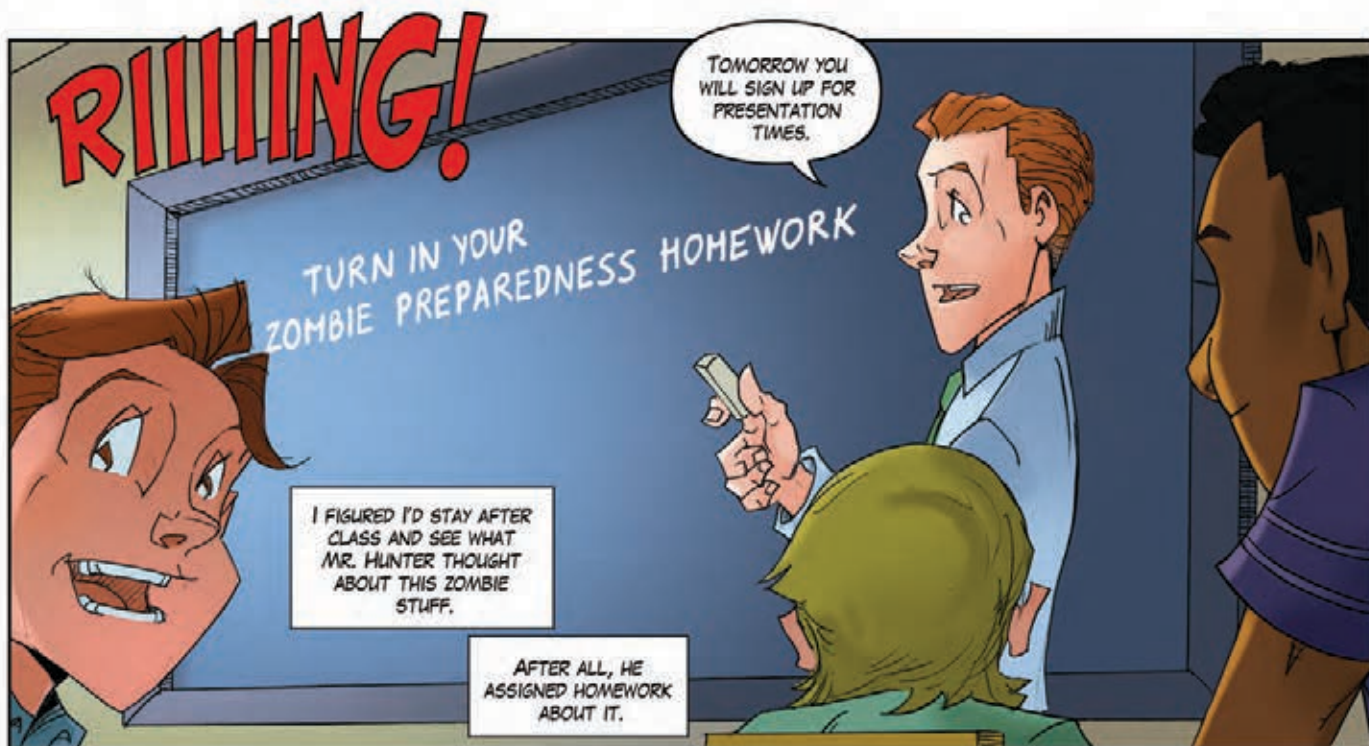
Here is a link to a strange article.  
Is this the start of a zombie apocalypse?  
[Police Stop Man Attacking, Biting Another Man](#)

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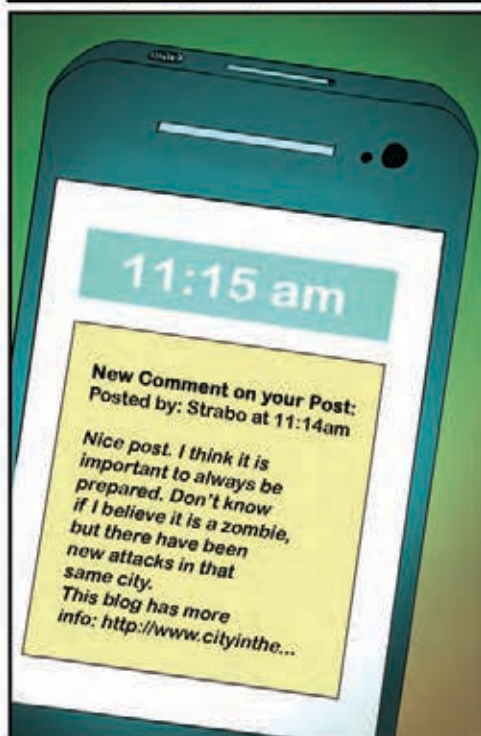
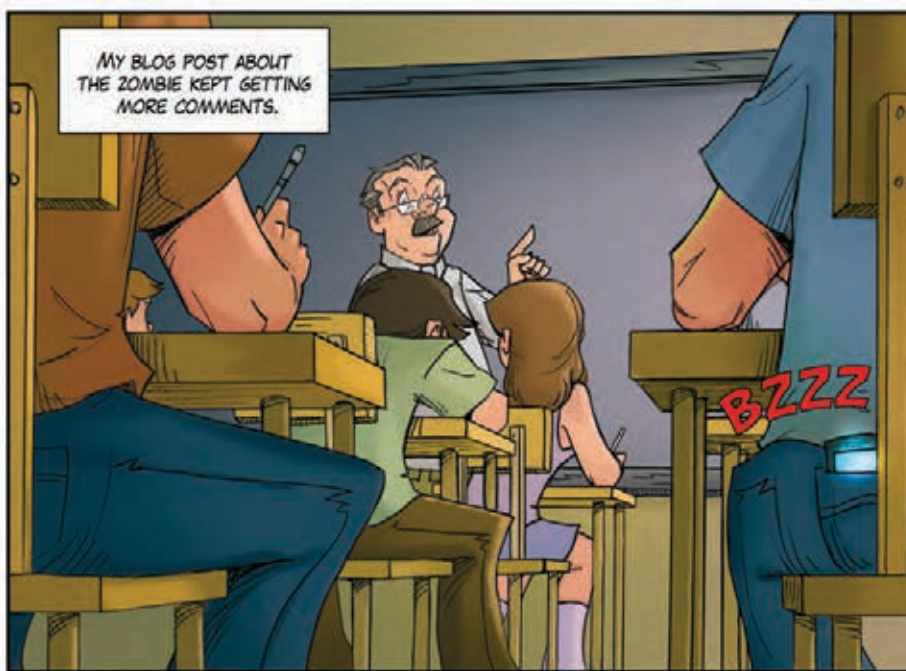
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MR. HUNTER?  
DO YOU HAVE ANY  
MORE TIME TO TALK?

SURE,  
WHAT  
ABOUT?

ZOMBIES.



OH,  
WELL...

YOU SAID THERE WOULD  
BE SIGNS, THAT THINGS  
WOULD START HAPPENING.  
LIKE WHAT?

HMM. WELL...  
A LOT OF  
DIFFERENT  
THINGS I  
GUESS.

I DOUBT THE  
NEWS WOULD COME  
RIGHT OUT AND SAY  
"ZOMBIES." IT WOULD  
ALWAYS BE SOMETHING  
ELSE.



WHO KNOWS  
HOW FAST IT  
WOULD SPREAD.

IT WOULD SURELY SPREAD  
LIKE ANY OTHER DISEASE.  
I GUESS HOW FAST IT  
SPREADS DEPENDS ON WHAT  
KIND OF DEFENSE WE  
HAVE AGAINST IT.

IF THERE IS NO  
CURE OR QUARANTINE  
OR ISOLATION, I'M  
GUESSING IT COULD  
SPREAD QUICKLY...



MAYBE THE ONLY  
DEFENSE YOU'D  
HAVE WOULD BE  
PREPAREDNESS  
AND EARLY  
WARNING.

HOW WOULD YOU  
BE WARNED IF  
THE NEWS WASN'T  
REPORTING IT?

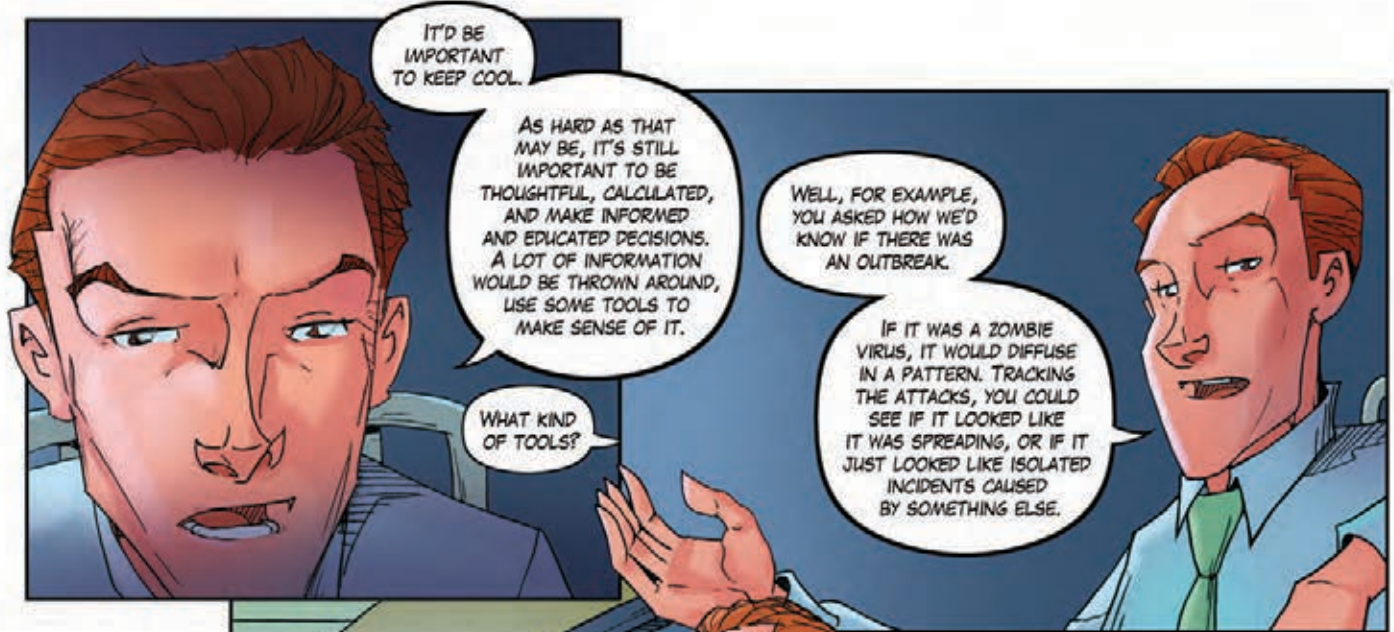
THE NEWS WON'T SAY ANYTHING  
BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO  
CAUSE MASS HYSTERIA. WHAT  
DO YOU THINK PEOPLE WOULD  
DO IF THEY HEARD ABOUT  
A ZOMBIE OUTBREAK ON  
THE NEWS?



VERY FEW WOULD  
GET PREPARED, MORE  
WOULD PANIC AND  
FREAK OUT.

WHAT WOULD  
YOU DO?





I'D USE A MAP AS ONE TOOL. I'D TRACK THE DATA ON ATTACKS TO SEE IF IT SPREAD. JUST LIKE HOW WE CAN PLOT HUMAN MIGRATION ON A MAP, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TRACK THE MOVEMENT OF AN OUTBREAK.

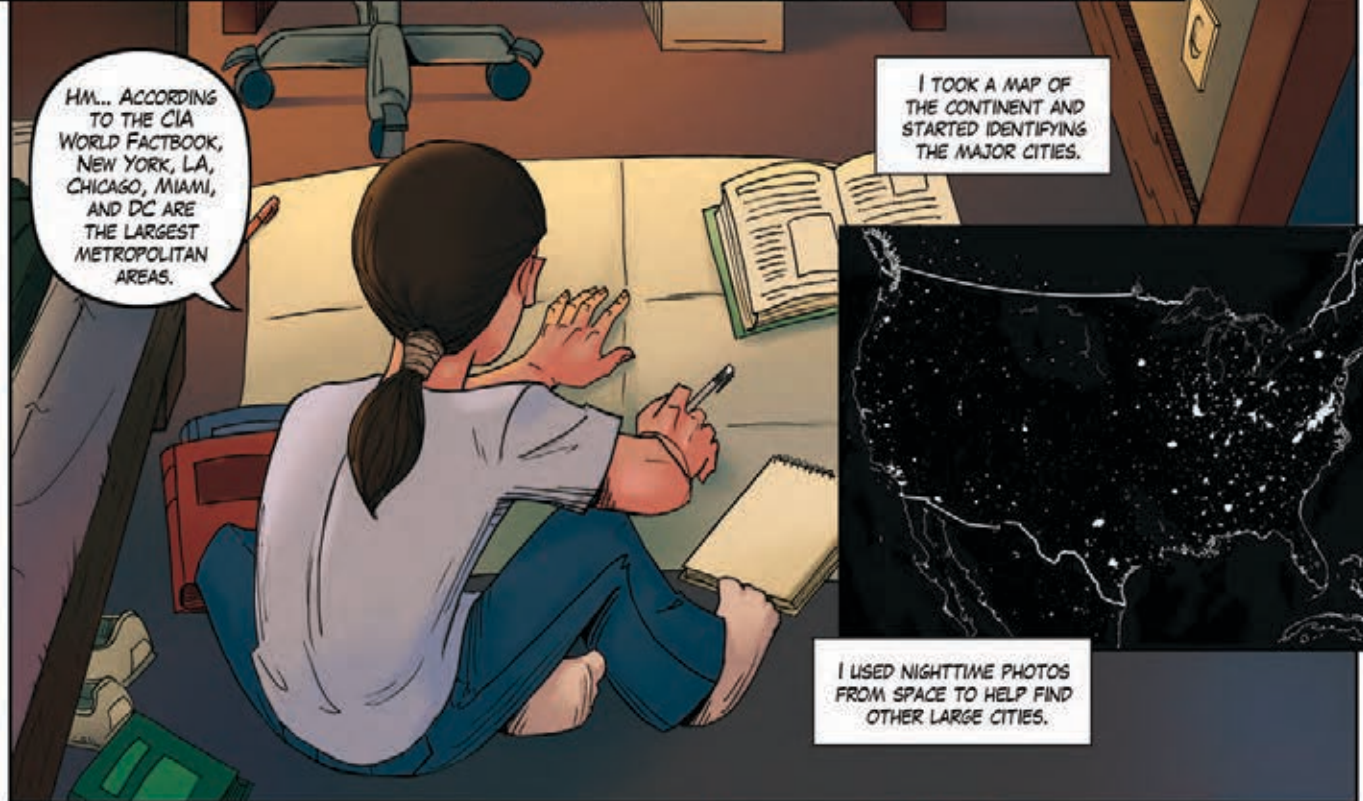
I COULD TELL I GOT HIM TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING HE WAS INTERESTED IN.







THAT NIGHT I STARTED TRYING TO MAP OUT THE ATTACKS.



HM... ACCORDING TO THE CIA WORLD FACTBOOK, NEW YORK, L.A, CHICAGO, MIAMI, AND DC ARE THE LARGEST METROPOLITAN AREAS.

I TOOK A MAP OF THE CONTINENT AND STARTED IDENTIFYING THE MAJOR CITIES.

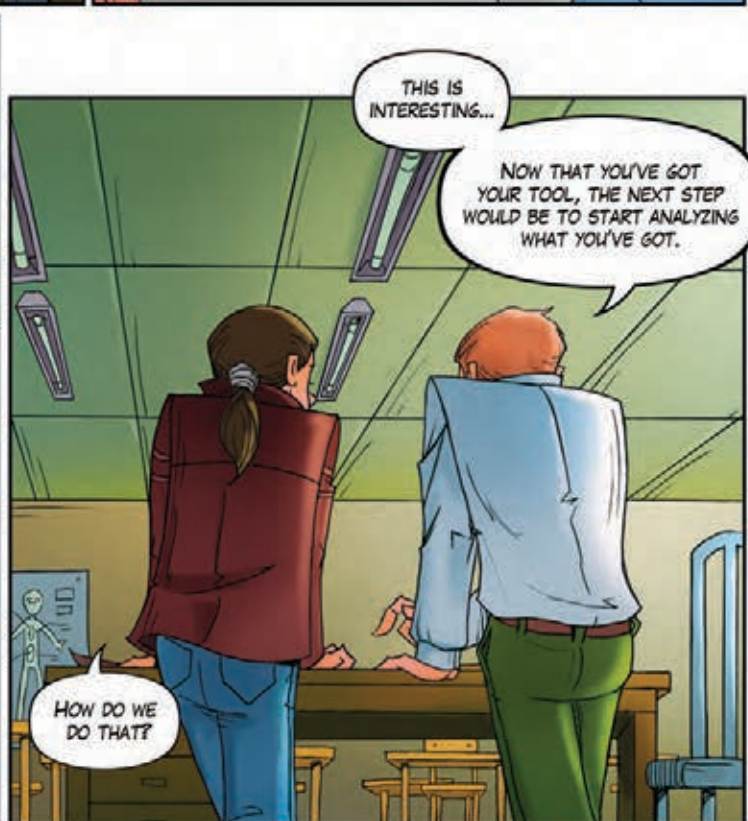
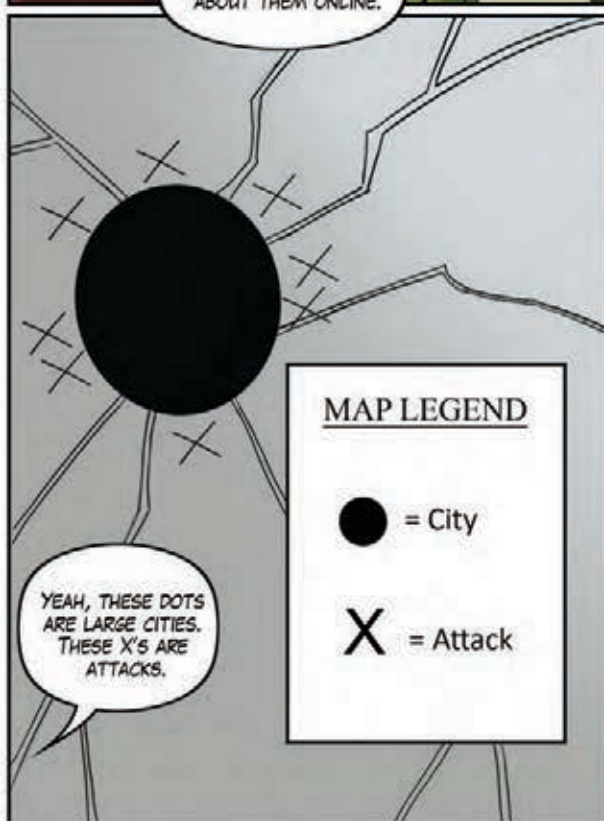
I USED NIGHTTIME PHOTOS FROM SPACE TO HELP FIND OTHER LARGE CITIES.



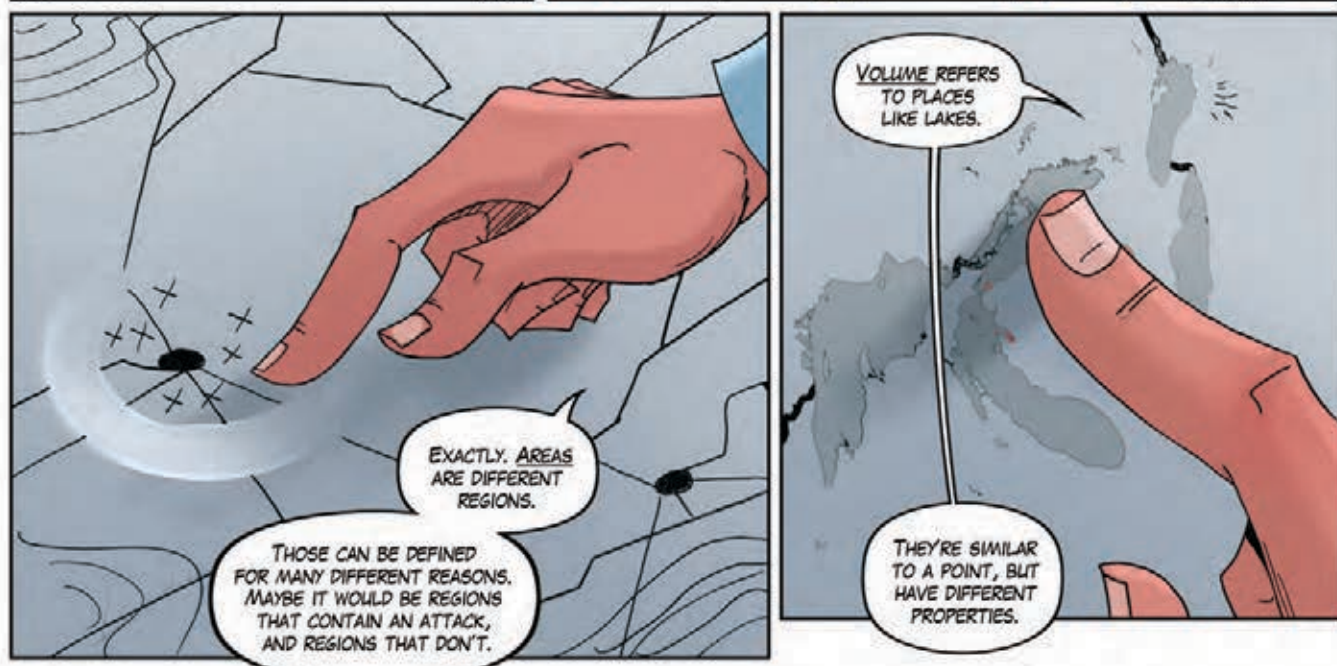
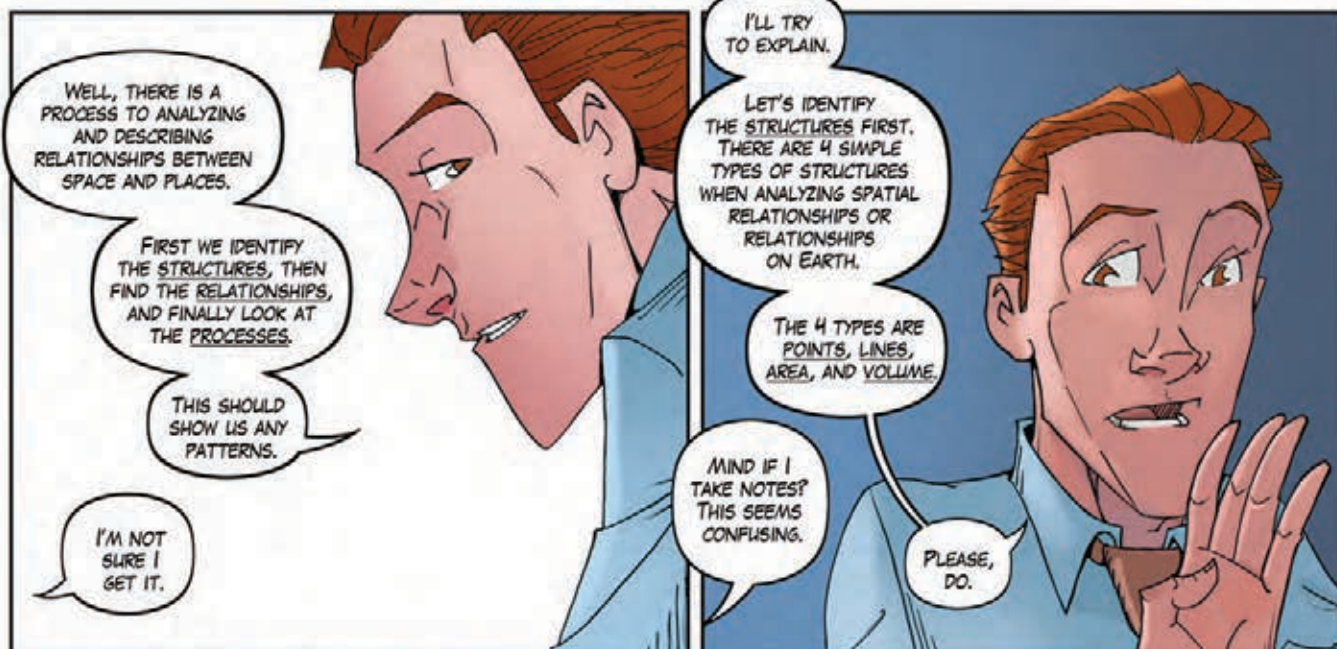
I TRIED TO FIND ALL THE RECENT BITING ATTACKS I COULD, AND PLACED THOSE ON THE MAP.

1st attack  
2nd and 3rd attacks reported 2 days later  
-same city/near hospital  
reports of hospital employees getting sick  
3 days after attack  
-2 more employees/same city - 1 attack 8 miles south  
-2 attacks 12 miles northwest

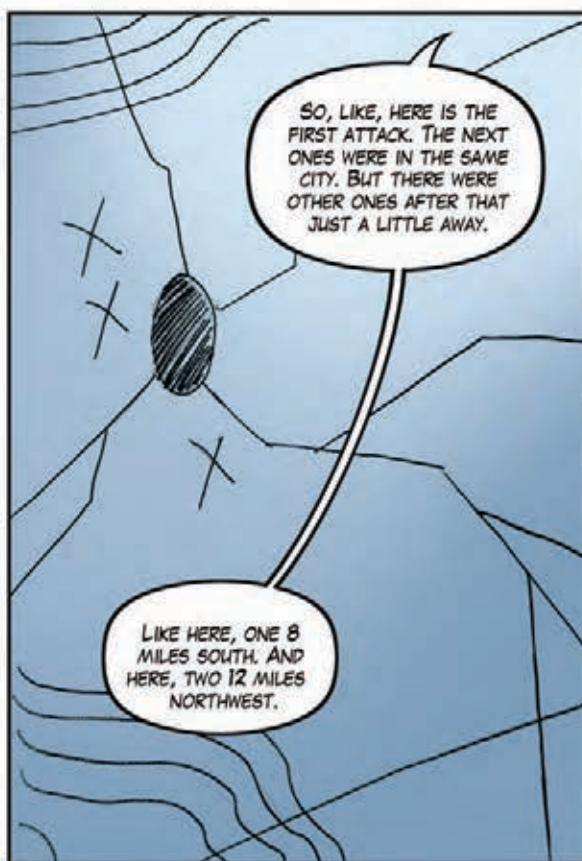




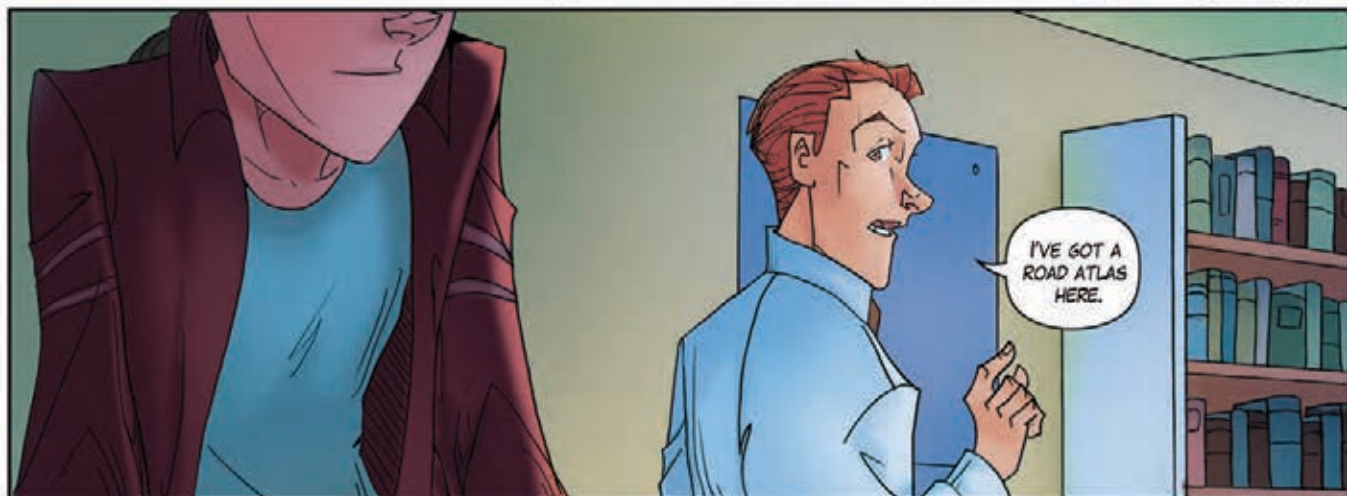
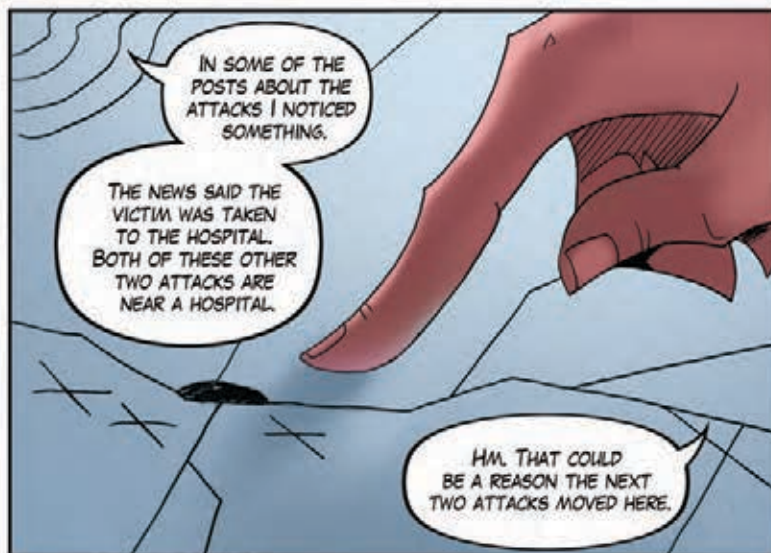








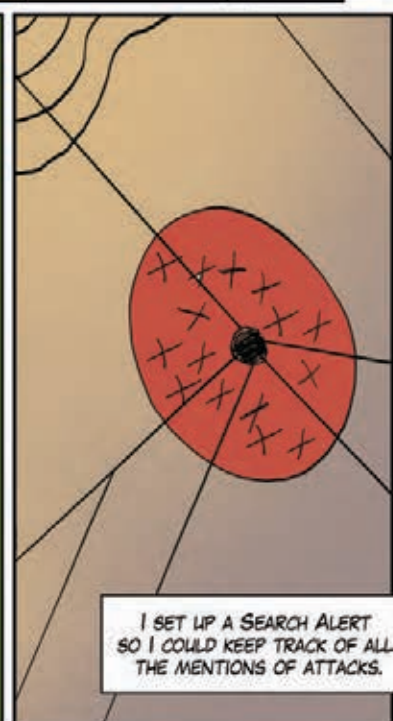
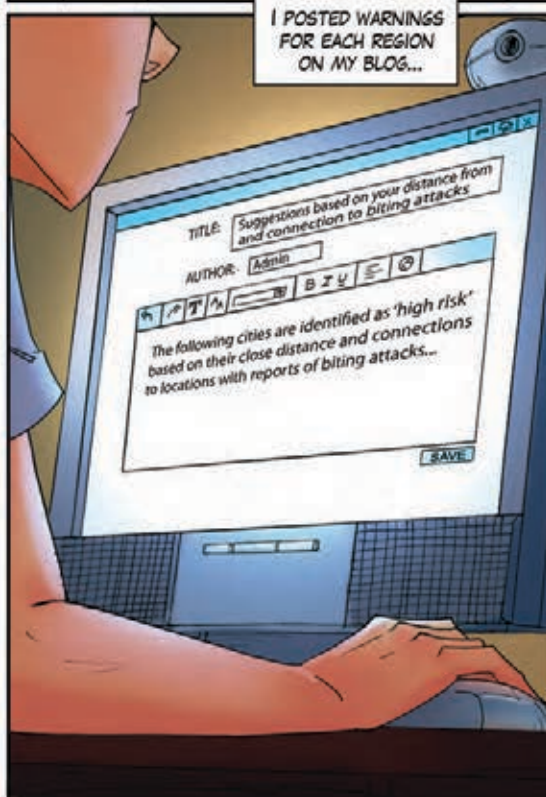
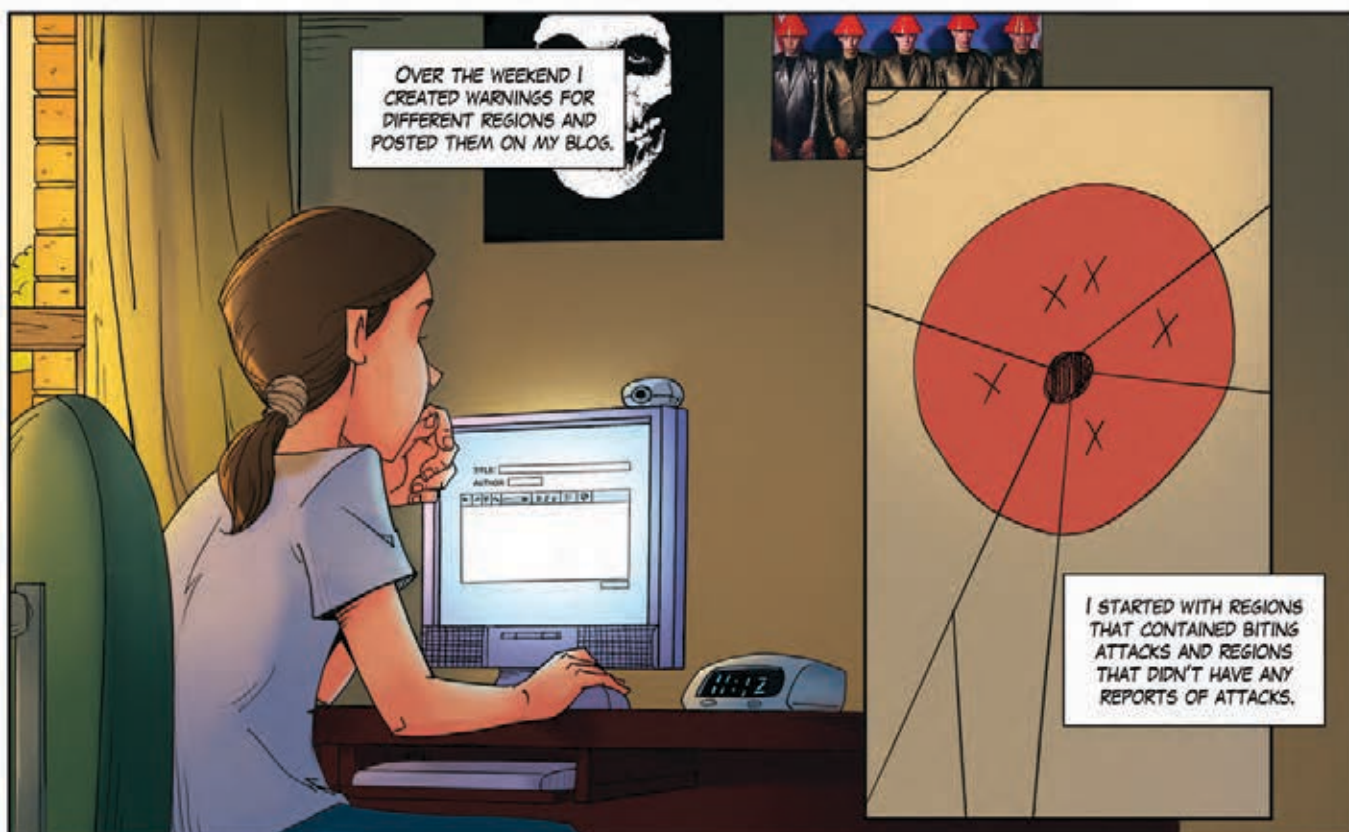




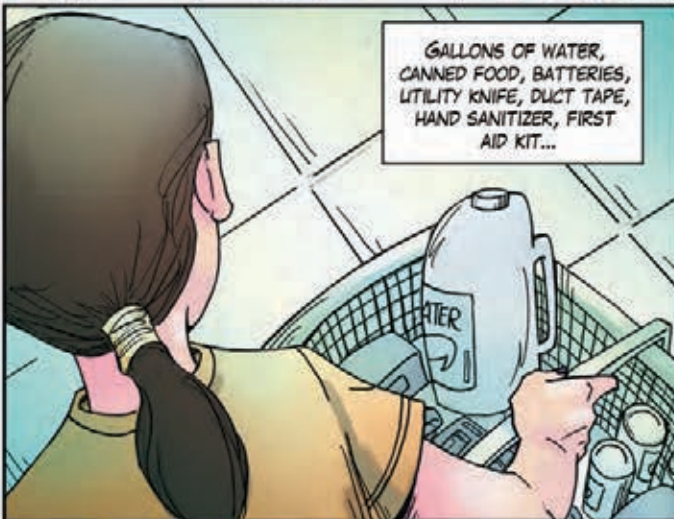
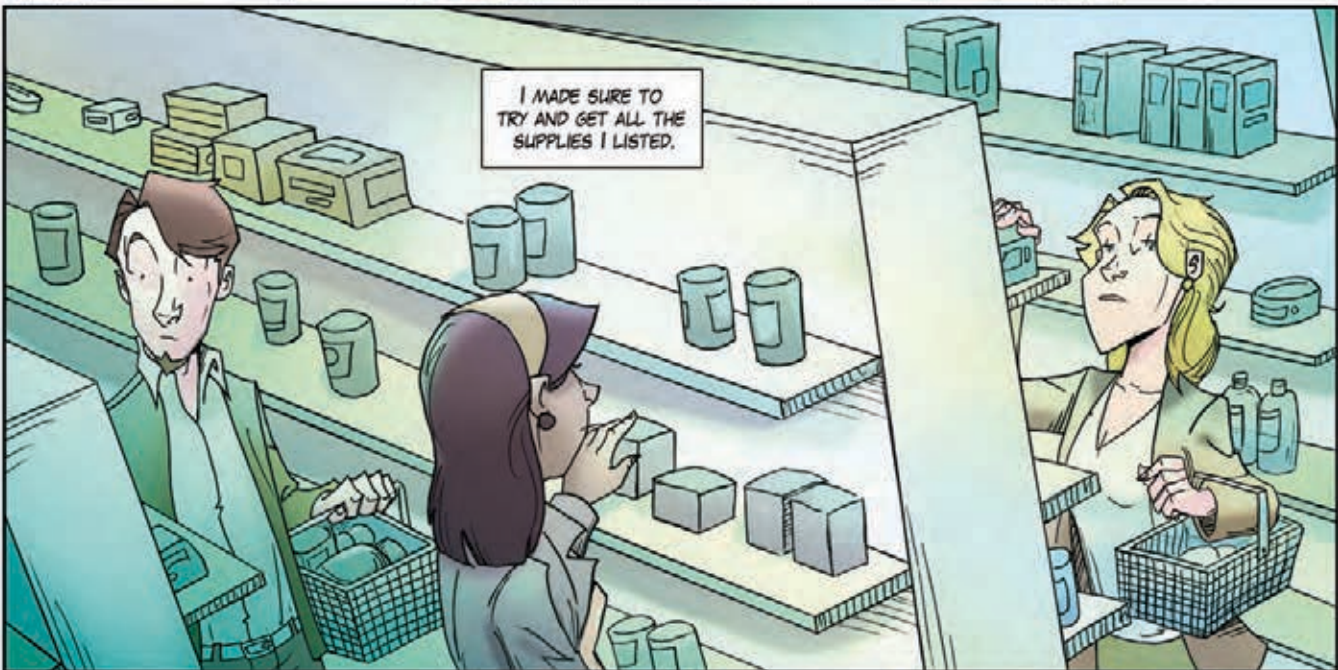
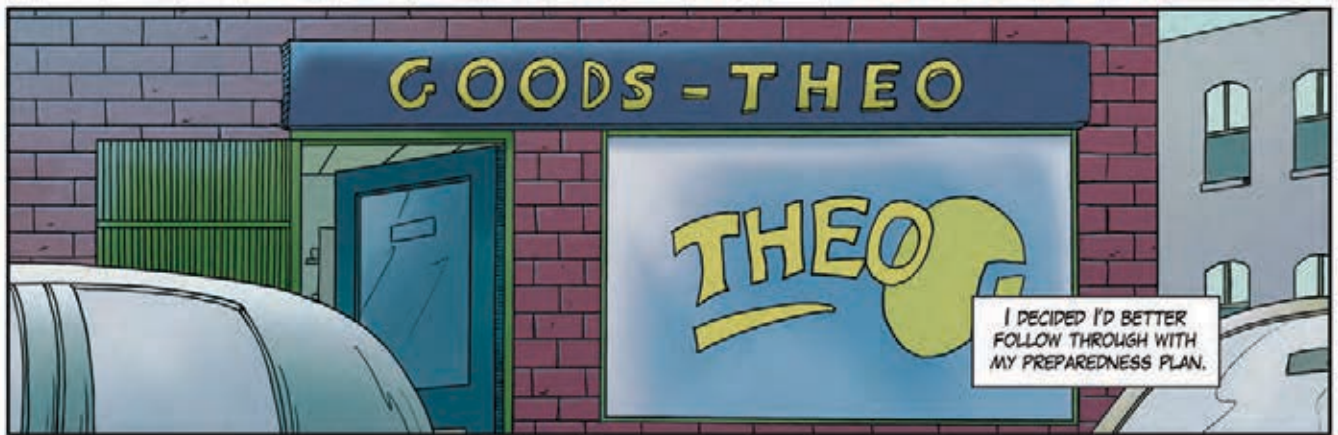





















I STAYED A LITTLE  
BIT AFTER SCHOOL  
TO TALK TO  
MR. HUNTER.

WHAT DOES  
YOUR DATA  
SHOW?

IT'S SPREADING,  
FAST. AND GETTING  
CLOSER.



IF THIS KIND OF VIRUS  
WASN'T STOPPED AT  
THE BEGINNING,  
THEN IT WOULD SPREAD  
EXPONENTIALLY. IT'D  
SPREAD FASTER  
AND FASTER.

THE ATTACKS ARE  
ALL OVER THE PLACE,  
THEY'RE GETTING  
CLOSER TO US.



GET HOME. IF  
THE POWER  
COMES BACK ON,  
WATCH THE NEWS.

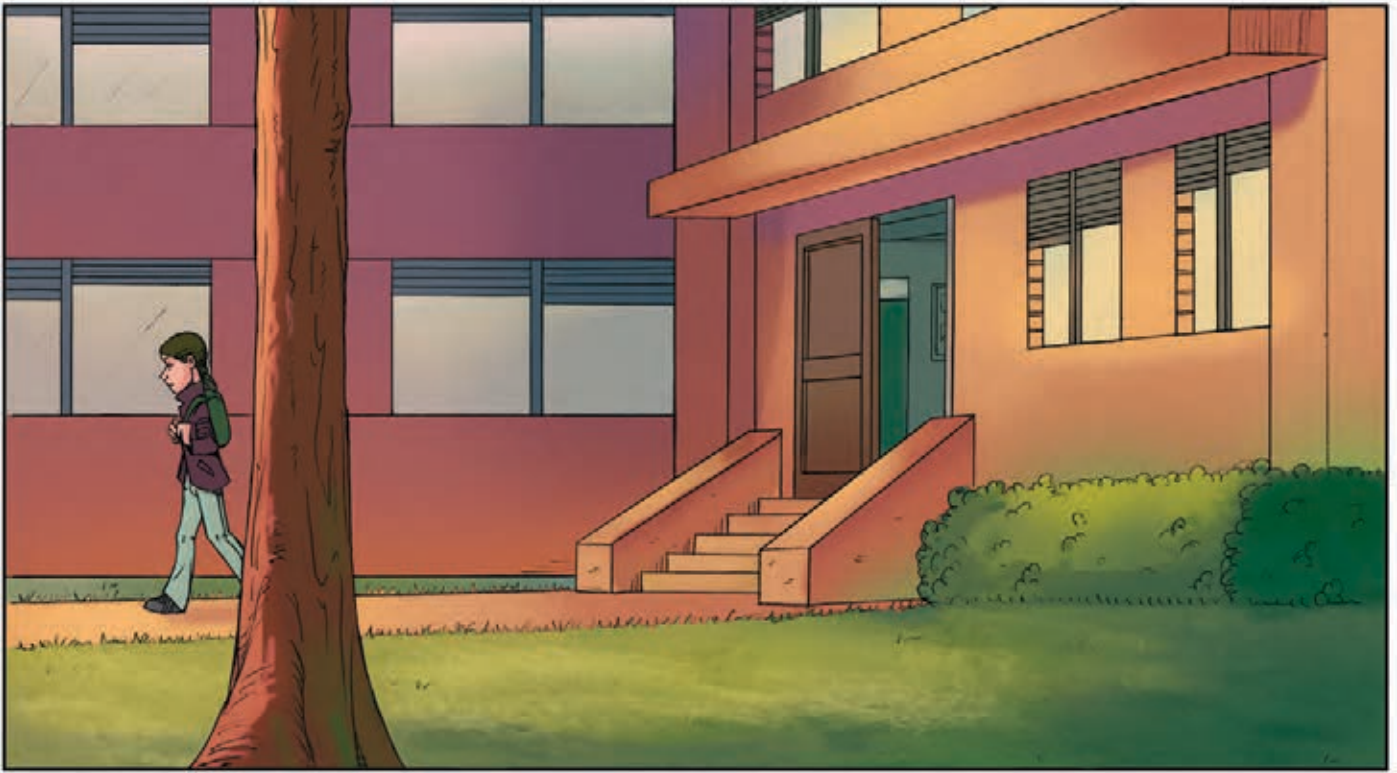
IF IT DOESN'T  
COME BACK ON,  
I SUGGEST YOU  
STAY HOME.



REMEMBER,  
KEEP CALM,  
AND ALWAYS  
THINK BEFORE  
YOU ACT.

THAT DAY, WALKING HOME,  
WAS THE FIRST TIME I  
SAW A ZOMBIE.













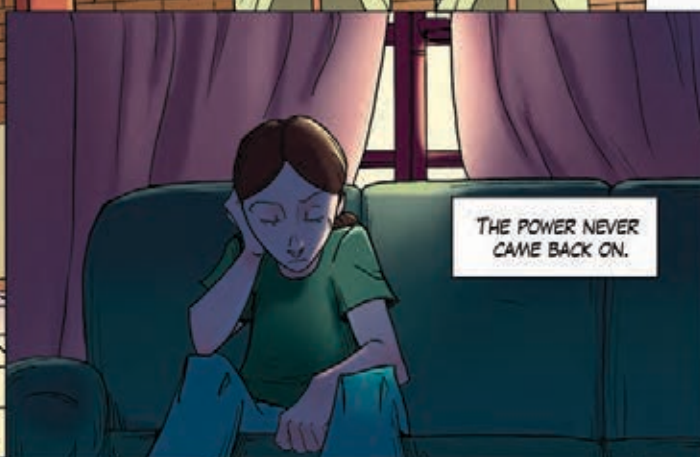








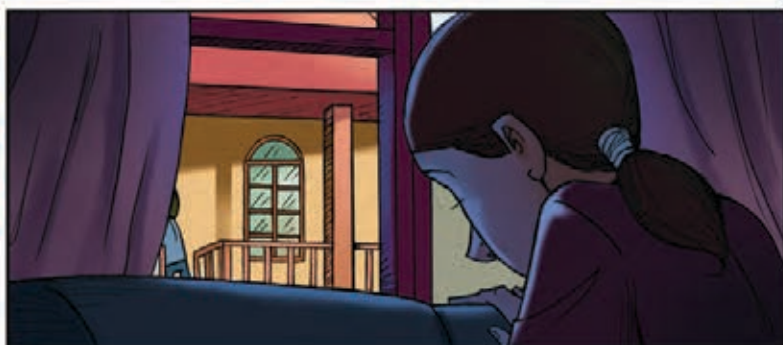
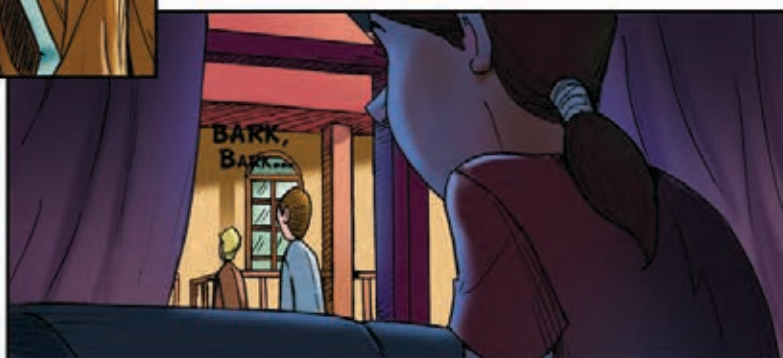
















I FELT LESS SAFE  
AFTER SEEING THE ZOMBIES  
BREAK INTO A HOUSE.



I HAD ENOUGH  
FOOD TO LAST  
A FEW MORE  
DAYS, BUT  
CLEAN WATER  
WAS GETTING  
LOW.



AND I HAD TO  
USE A BUCKET FOR  
THE TOILET.



MY PARENTS  
NEVER CAME  
HOME.



AFTER  
SEVERAL  
DAYS I  
DECIDED...



