

CHICKEN-  
SAURUS

For Anna and Alfie

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James Foley makes children's books for children who read books. If you're a child and you're eating his books, you're doing it wrong. You might know his picture book *Stellarphant* or his graphic novel series *Secret Agent Mole*. He lives in Perth with his wife Renae, their two kids, and a labrador called Frankie. He's an ambassador for Books In Homes and Room To Read; a massive Marvel movie nerd; and comes from a long line of queuing enthusiasts. Legend says James can grow a beard in an afternoon.

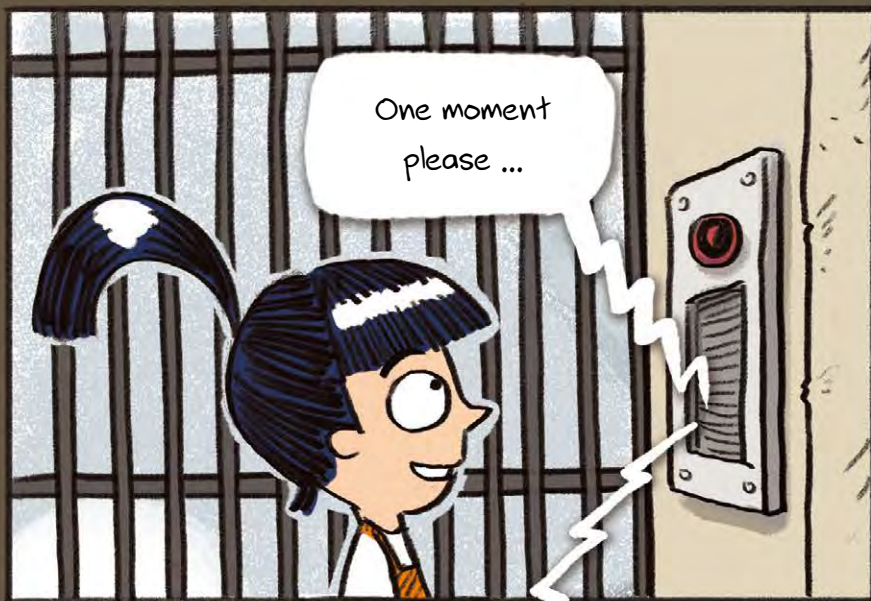
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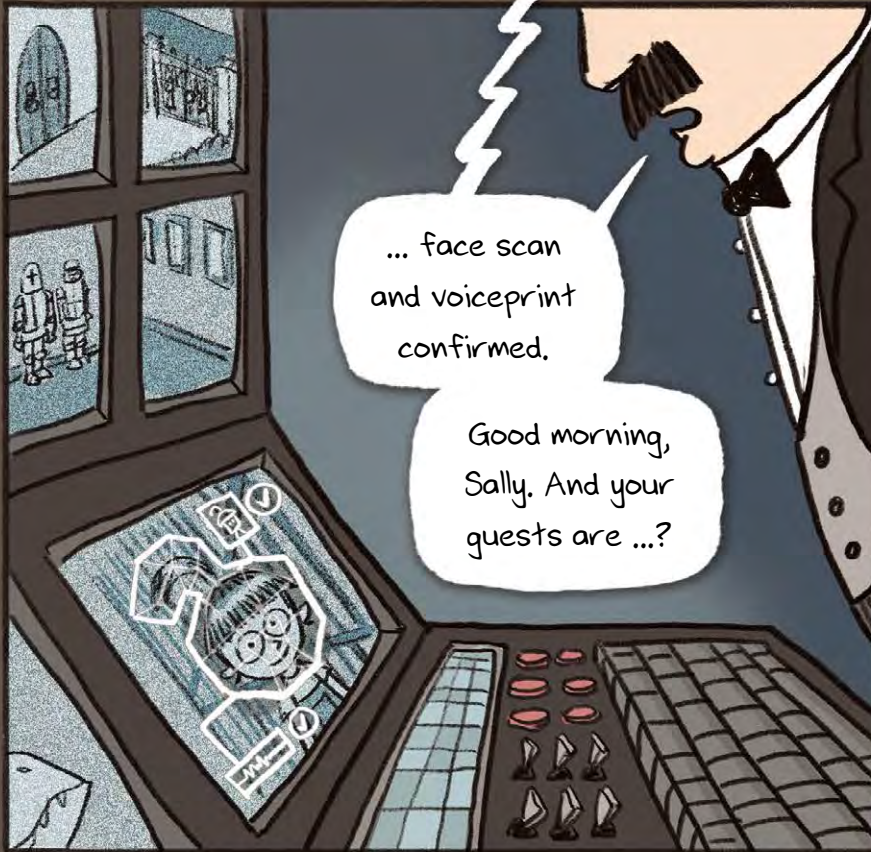
Greetings!  
I'm Sally Tinker,  
the world's foremost  
inventor under the age  
of twelve.







One moment  
please ...



... face scan  
and voiceprint  
confirmed.

Good morning,  
Sally. And your  
guests are ...?



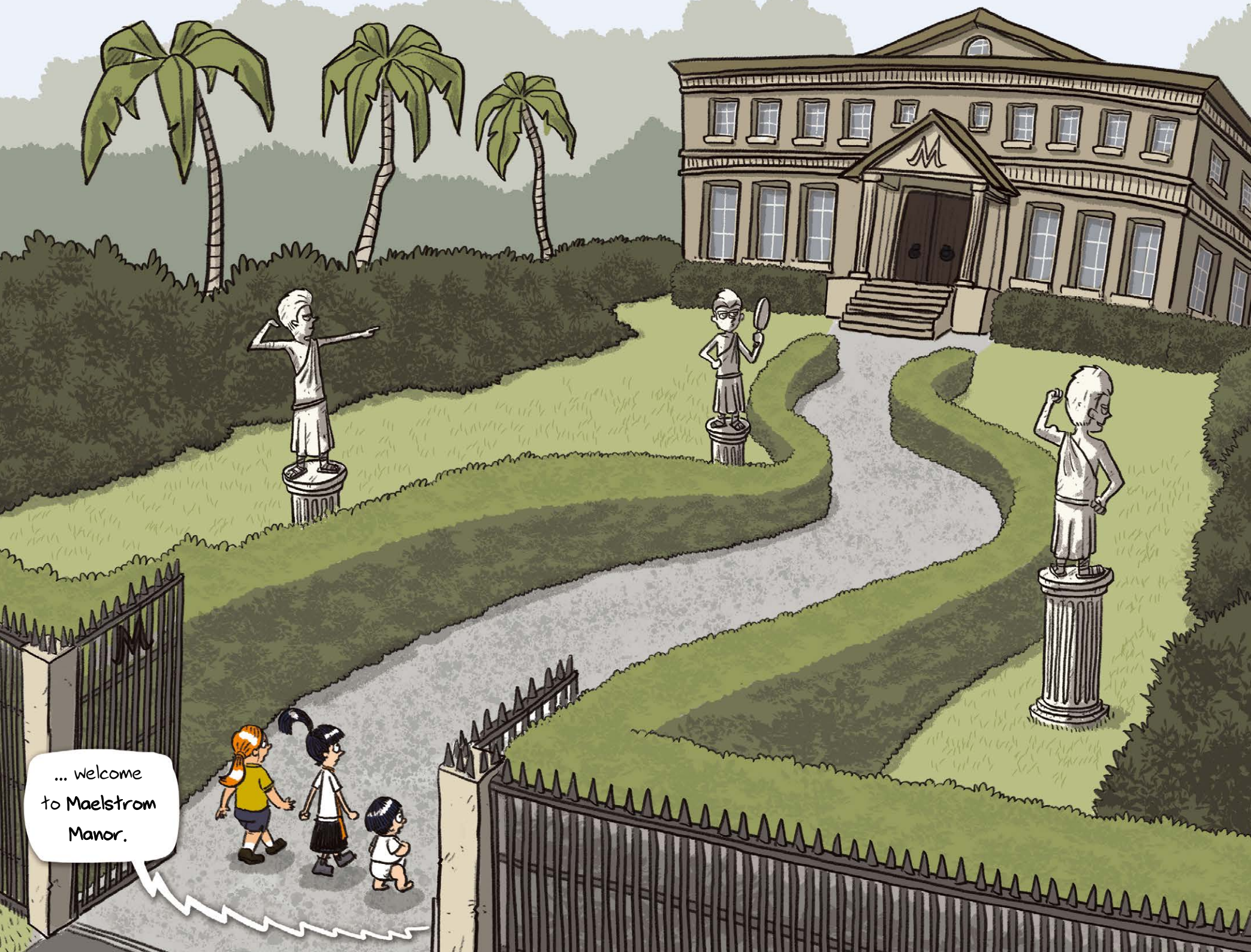
This is my  
colleague Charli Stevenson,  
the world's foremost biologist  
under the age of eleven ...

... and my  
brother Joe,  
full-time baby.



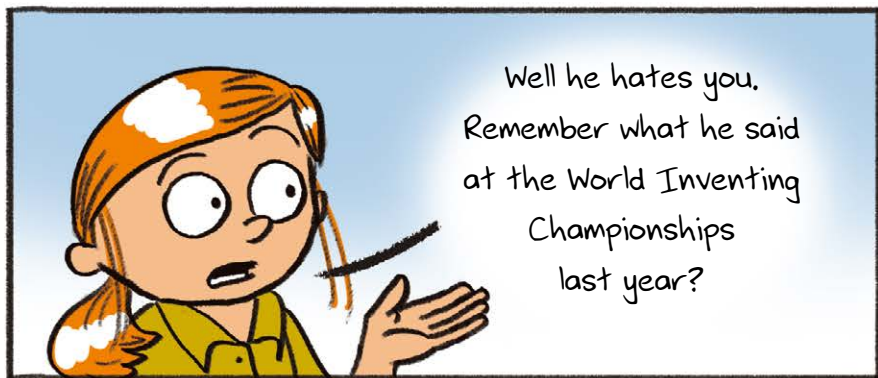
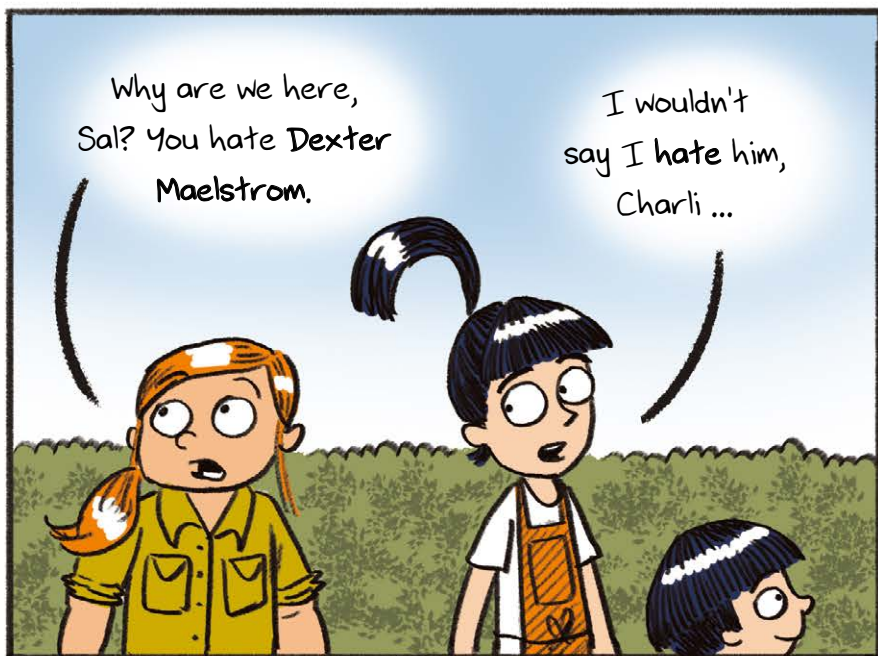
Excellent.  
Please come  
through ...



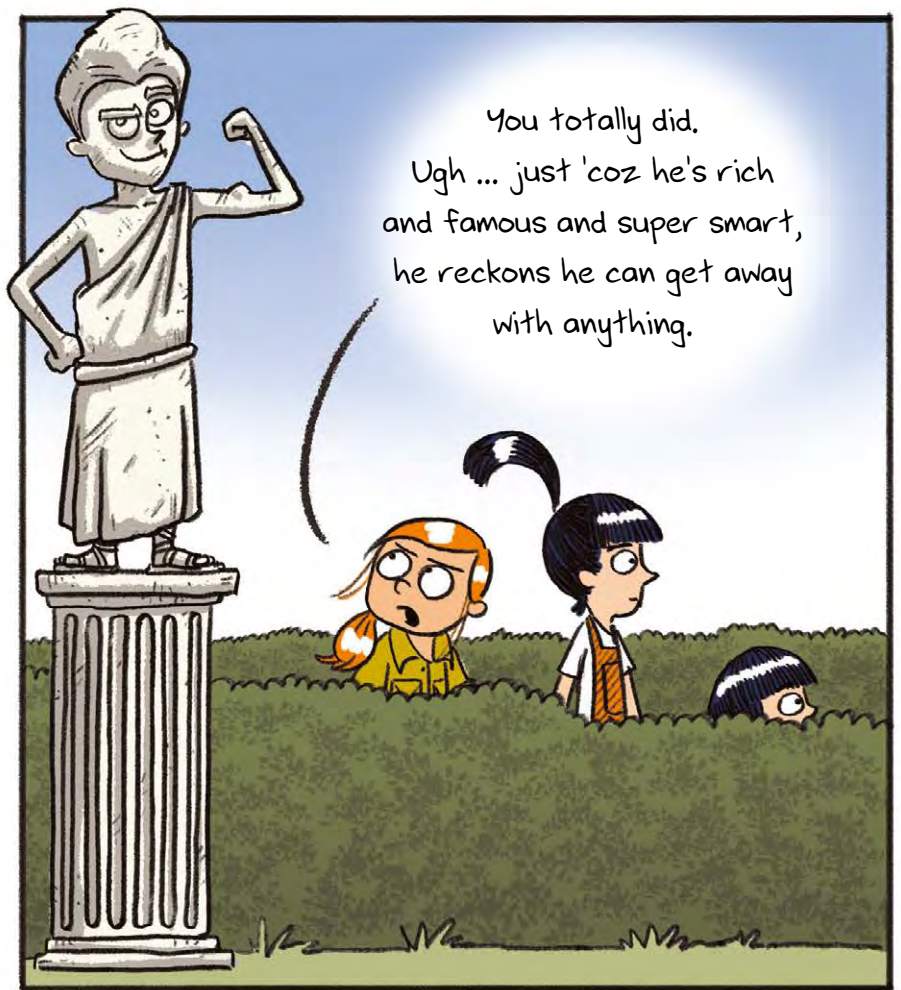
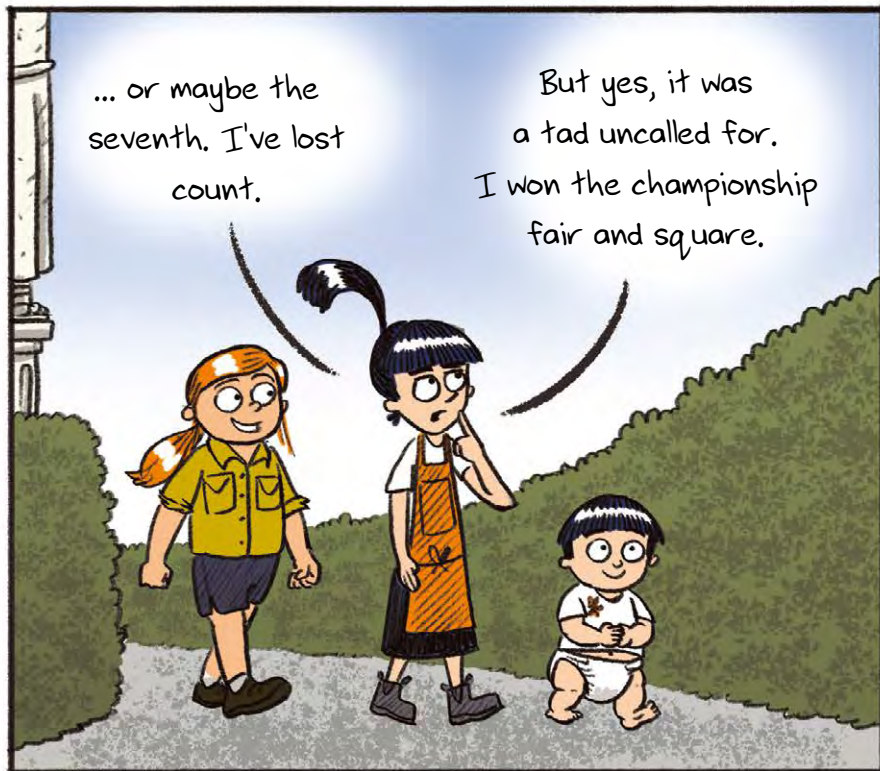


... welcome  
to Maelstrom  
Manor.

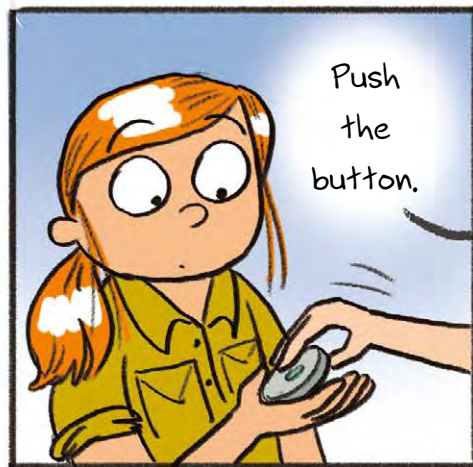












\* < HANDHELD ELECTRONIC ROBOTIC MESSAGING SYSTEM >

Dear Miss Tinker,



I, Dexter Maelstrom - boy genius, inventor extraordinaire, and vice-president of Maelstrom Corp - invite you and two guests to join me at Maelstrom Manor for a demonstration of my latest invention.



It's better than anything you could ever come up with, and I will **definitely** beat you at the next World Inventing Championships.

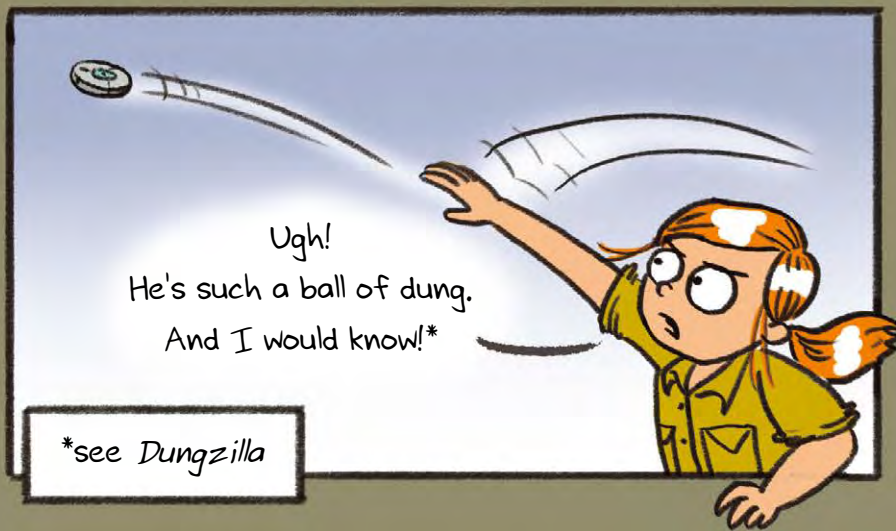


Kind regards,  
Dexter Maelstrom.

P.S. ...

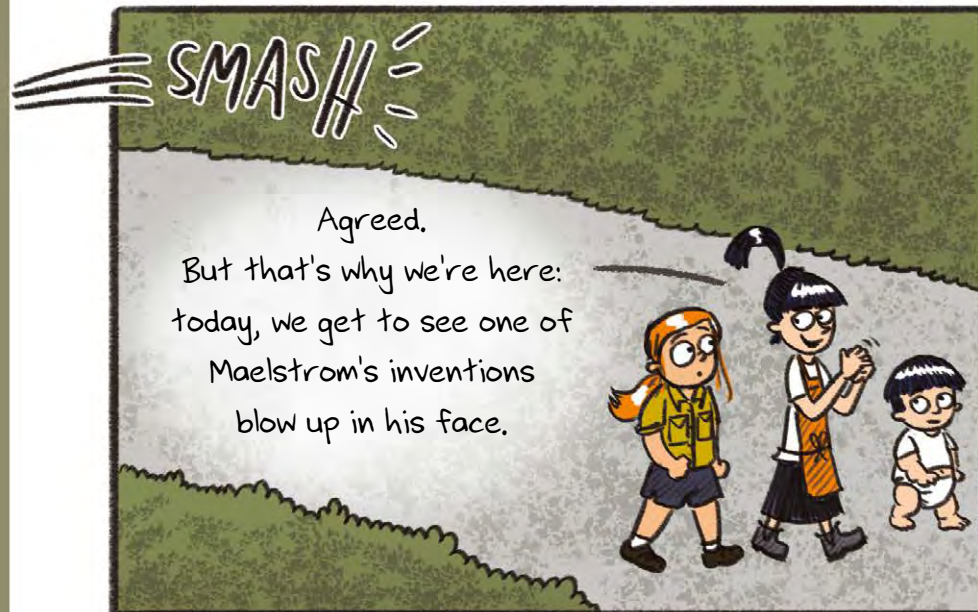






Ugh!  
He's such a ball of dung.  
And I would know!\*

\*see Dungzilla



Agreed.  
But that's why we're here:  
today, we get to see one of  
Maelstrom's inventions  
blow up in his face.



Do you mean  
that metaphorically  
or literally?

I'd be happy  
with either.



I just want a peek  
inside his ridiculously  
big house.

Speaking  
of which ...