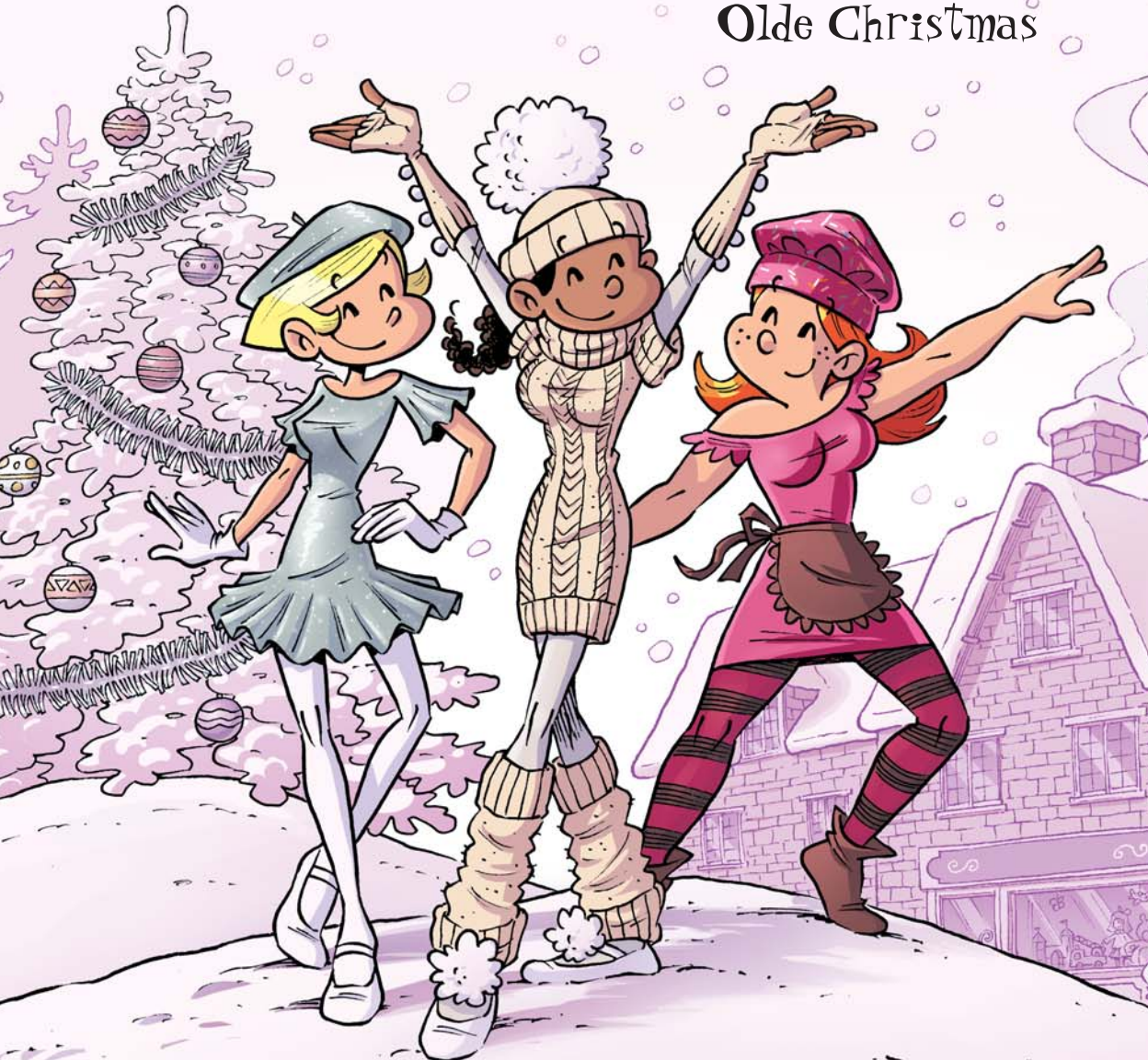


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Dance Class



A Merry
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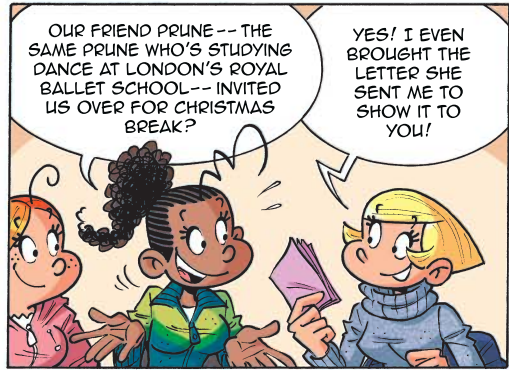


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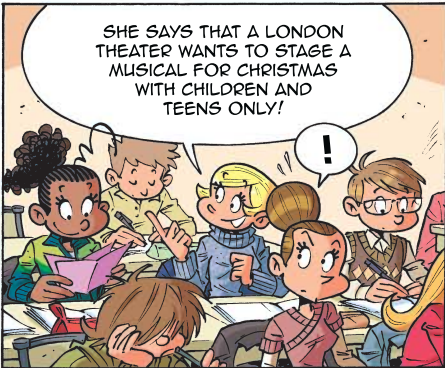
THE NEXT DAY...

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU DIDN'T CALL OR TEXT US LAST NIGHT, JULIE!

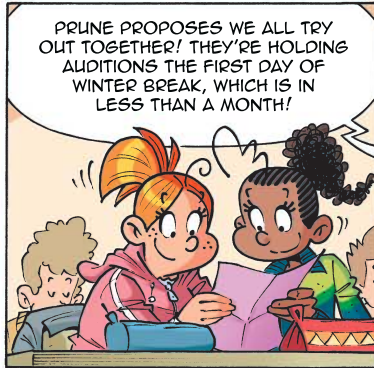


OUR FRIEND PRUNE -- THE SAME PRUNE WHO'S STUDYING DANCE AT LONDON'S ROYAL BALLET SCHOOL -- INVITED US OVER FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK?

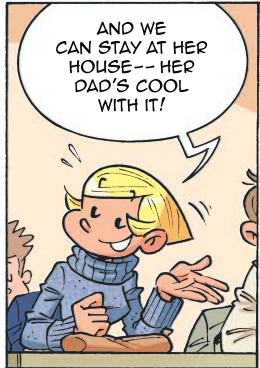
YES! I EVEN BROUGHT THE LETTER SHE SENT ME TO SHOW IT TO YOU!



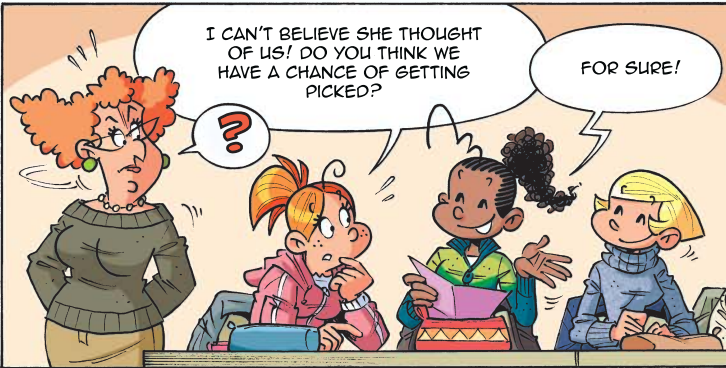
SHE SAYS THAT A LONDON THEATER WANTS TO STAGE A MUSICAL FOR CHRISTMAS WITH CHILDREN AND TEENS ONLY!



PRUNE PROPOSES WE ALL TRY OUT TOGETHER! THEY'RE HOLDING AUDITIONS THE FIRST DAY OF WINTER BREAK, WHICH IS IN LESS THAN A MONTH!



AND WE CAN STAY AT HER HOUSE -- HER DAD'S COOL WITH IT!

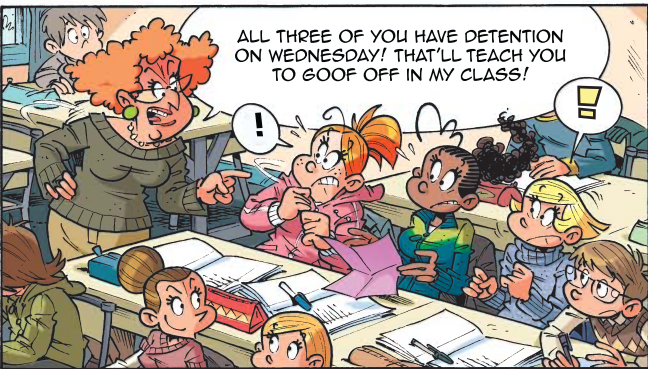


I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE THOUGHT OF US! DO YOU THINK WE HAVE A CHANCE OF GETTING PICKED?

FOR SURE!



BUT IT'LL BE HARD TO CONVINCE OUR PARENTS TO LET US GO TO LONDON!



ALL THREE OF YOU HAVE DETENTION ON WEDNESDAY! THAT'LL TEACH YOU TO GOOF OFF IN MY CLASS!



NOW IT'LL BE EVEN HARDER TO CONVINCE OUR PARENTS TO LET US GO TO LONDON!



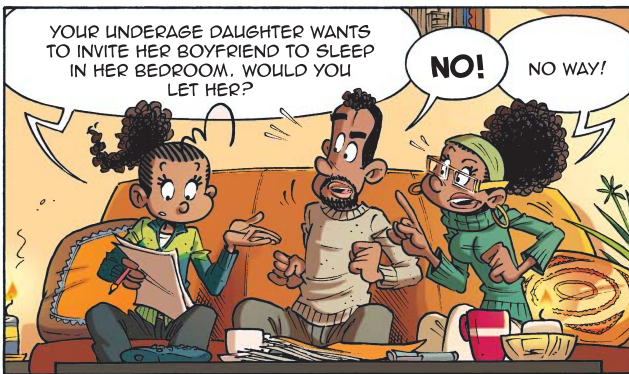
THAT NIGHT...

SURPRIIIISE! I SIGNED YOU UP FOR A CONTEST THE SCHOOL'S PUTTING ON, TO SEE WHO HAS THE COOLEST PARENTS!

OH, YES?



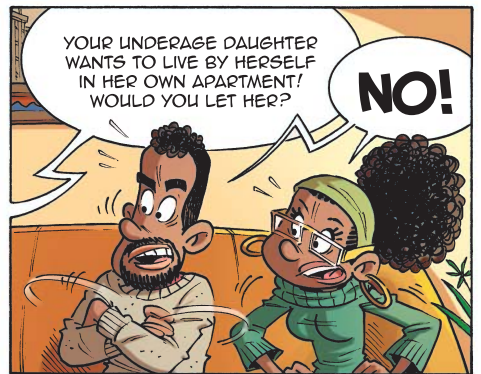
YOU JUST HAVE TO ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS. I'LL ASK THEM--



YOUR UNDERAGE DAUGHTER WANTS TO INVITE HER BOYFRIEND TO SLEEP IN HER BEDROOM. WOULD YOU LET HER?

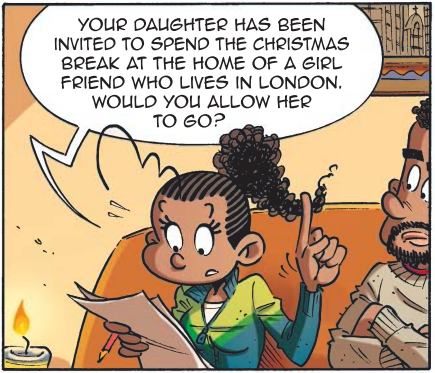
NO!

NO WAY!



YOUR UNDERAGE DAUGHTER WANTS TO LIVE BY HERSELF IN HER OWN APARTMENT! WOULD YOU LET HER?

NO!

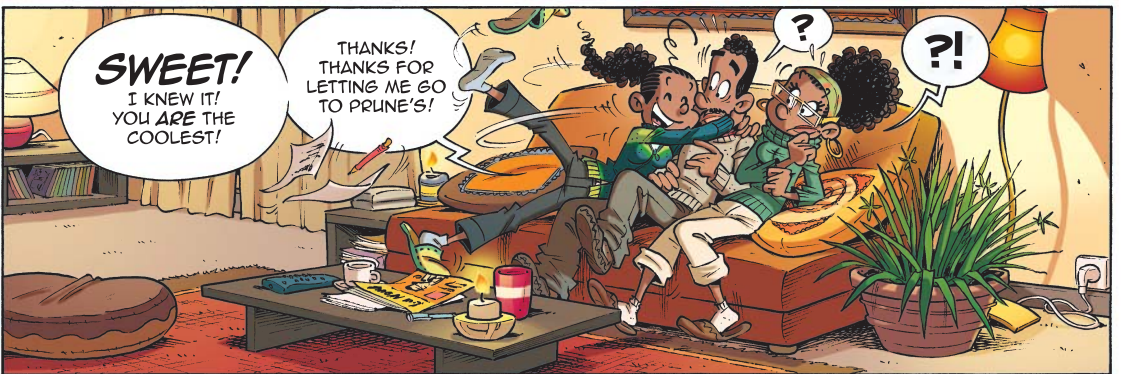


YOUR DAUGHTER HAS BEEN INVITED TO SPEND THE CHRISTMAS BREAK AT THE HOME OF A GIRL FRIEND WHO LIVES IN LONDON. WOULD YOU ALLOW HER TO GO?



WELL, WHY NOT--

YES, THAT'S ALL RIGHT.

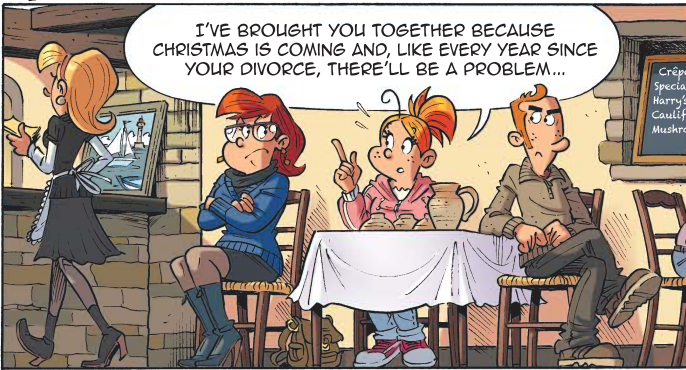


SWEET! I KNEW IT! YOU ARE THE COOLEST!

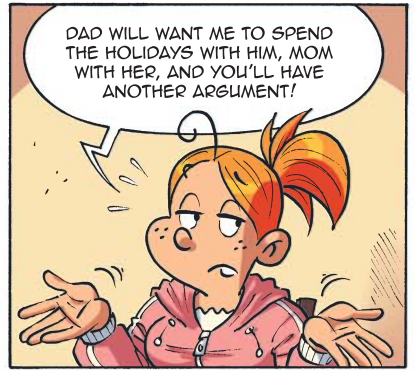
THANKS! THANKS FOR LETTING ME GO TO PRUNE'S!

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I'VE BROUGHT YOU TOGETHER BECAUSE CHRISTMAS IS COMING AND, LIKE EVERY YEAR SINCE YOUR DIVORCE, THERE'LL BE A PROBLEM...



DAD WILL WANT ME TO SPEND THE HOLIDAYS WITH HIM, MOM WITH HER, AND YOU'LL HAVE ANOTHER ARGUMENT!



THERE'S NO PROBLEM! SINCE YOU WERE AT YOUR DAD'S LAST YEAR, YOU'LL BE WITH ME THIS YEAR!

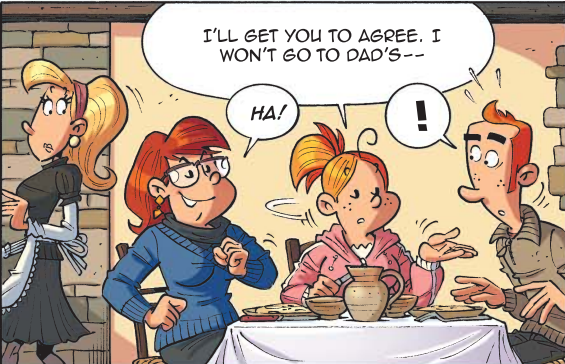


LUCIE WAS WITH ME ON THE 25th! BUT I'LL REMIND YOU THAT YOU PICKED HER UP ON THE 26th AT DAWN AND KEPT HER THE WHOLE REST OF THE BREAK!



MAYBE! BUT YOU GOT HER 1 DAY EXTRA AT EASTER AND--

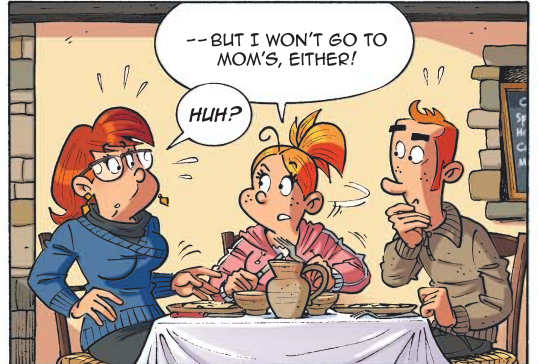
STOP!



I'LL GET YOU TO AGREE. I WON'T GO TO DAD'S--

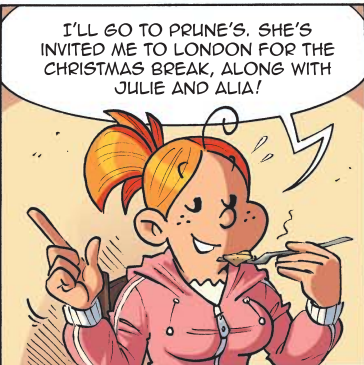
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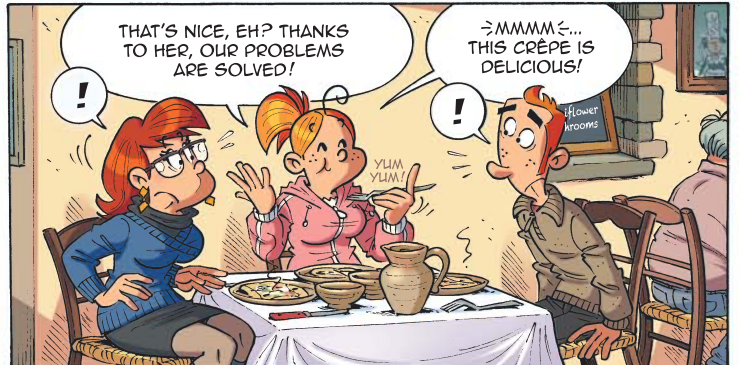


-- BUT I WON'T GO TO MOM'S, EITHER!

HUH?



I'LL GO TO PRUNE'S. SHE'S INVITED ME TO LONDON FOR THE CHRISTMAS BREAK, ALONG WITH JULIE AND ALIA!



THAT'S NICE, EH? THANKS TO HER, OUR PROBLEMS ARE SOLVED!

~MM~... THIS CRÊPE IS DELICIOUS!

YUM YUM!

