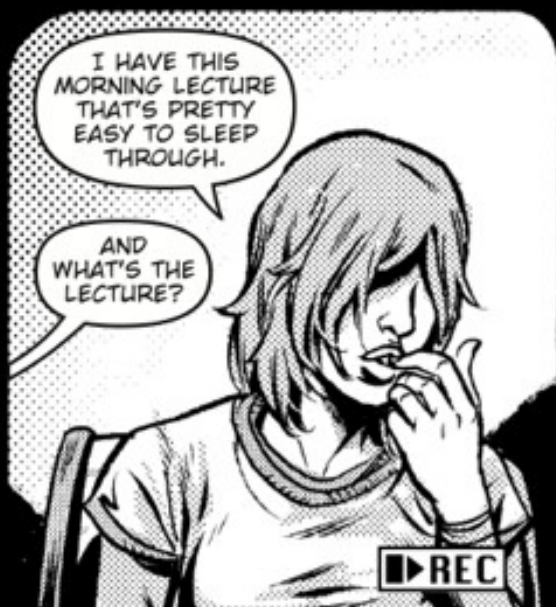


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THE NEW YORK FOUR

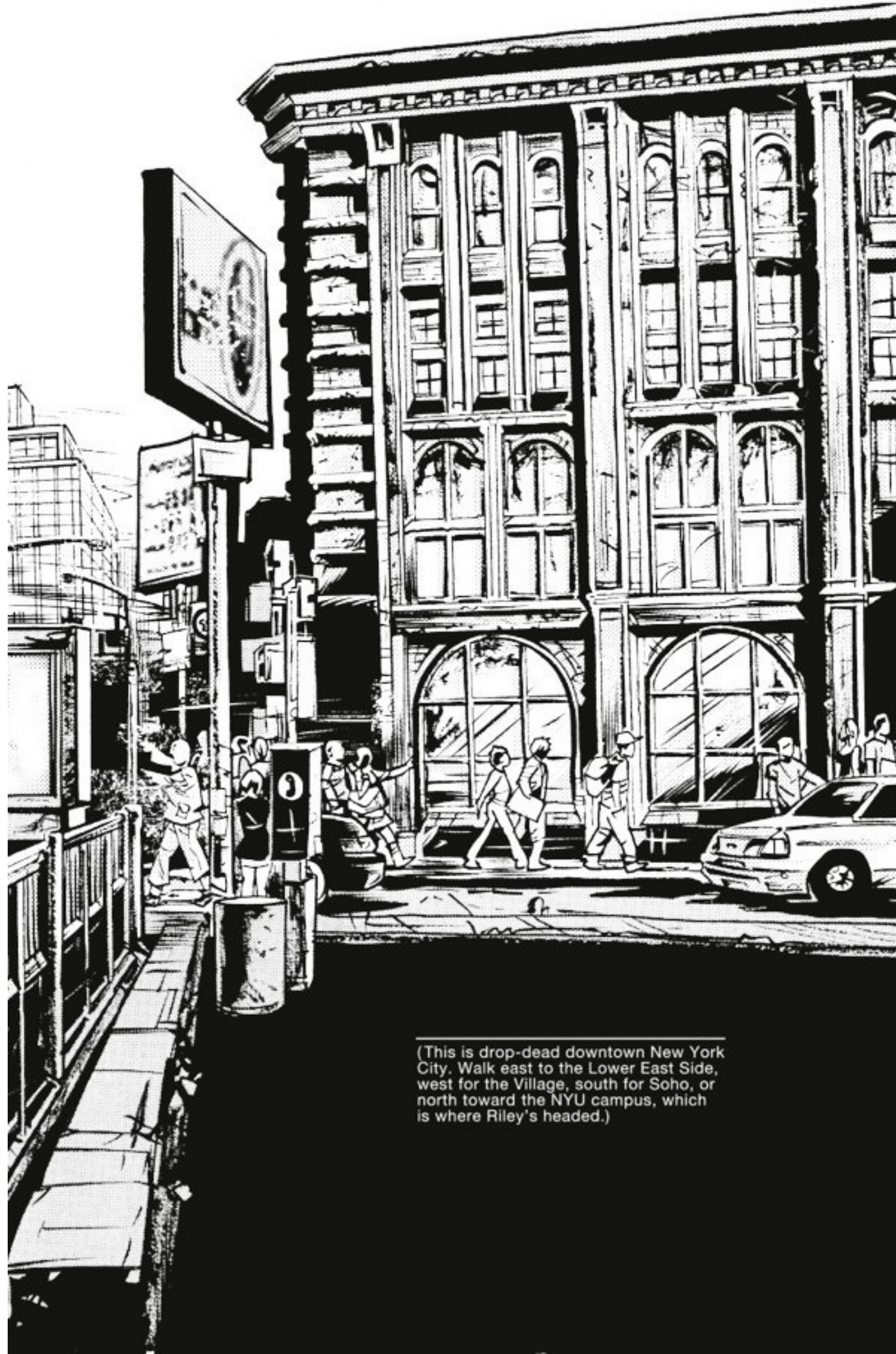




Broadway & Houston Streets.

(NY 101: If you pronounced it like Houston, Texas, you are most likely a tourist. Say "house-tin" instead.)





(This is drop-dead downtown New York City. Walk east to the Lower East Side, west for the Village, south for Soho, or north toward the NYU campus, which is where Riley's headed.)









AND NERVOUS.



HEY! I
KNOW YOU!
WE HAVE
ENGLISH LIT
TOGETHER!

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UGH, DON'T GET ME *STARTED*.
I HEARD WE NEED A HUNDRED
AND THIRTY-FIVE BUCKS OF
BOOKS FOR THAT STUPID
CLASS.

IF MY PARENTS HADN'T
GIVEN ME THEIR AMEX, I'D
BE TOTALLY *FREAKING*
OUT RIGHT NOW.

NAME: MERISSA VASQUEZ
(THE TALL, LOUD ONE)
STATUS: SUPERIOR
WEARING: THOSE ARE \$180 JEANS
BONUS POINTS: HAS FIVE BOY-
FRIENDS RIGHT NOW



SERIOUSLY?
THAT'S THE
READING LIST?
THAT MANY
BOOKS?

AND IT'S
NOT LIKE
I'M GOING
TO READ
THEM...

I KNOW
THESE
GIRLS.

I HEARD YOU
CAN FIND THEM
USED AT THE
STRAND...

THEY'RE IN
MY CLASS.



I BET I HAVE THAT
ENTIRE READING
LIST AT HOME. THE
PERK OF HAVING
LITERATI PARENTS.

I HOPE I
CAN. CRAP...
\$135... THAT'S
LIKE MY FOOD
BUDGET FOR
A MONTH.

...REALLY?

YOU CAN
SHARE
MINE.

NAME: LONA LO
STATUS: 3000 MILES
FROM HOME
UH OH: REALLY DOESN'T LIKE THE
WAY COFFEE TASTES
BONUS POINTS: BORN IN CANADA





THANKS...
SORRY TO BE A DRAG.
I'M REALLY GONNA HAVE
TO FIND A JOB SOMEWHERE...
I THOUGHT I HAD EXPENSES
ALL FIGURED OUT BUT IT'S THE
SMALL STUFF YOU NEVER
THINK ABOUT THAT
GETS YOU...

REN...
THAT
SUCKS.

MAYBE
WORK-
STUDY?

LOW PROFILE...
BE INVISIBLE...



THAT'S LIKE FIVE
BUCKS AN HOUR.
MAYBE I CAN FIND
WORK AT A BAR OR
SOMETHING ELSE
AT NIGHT.

YEAH! THAT'D
BE KILLER. WORK
OFF THE BOOKS,
GET GOOD TIPS...
I SHOULD DO
THAT, TOO.

I GOTTA FIND
AN APARTMENT
OFF-CAMPUS
FOR NEXT
SEMESTER...

...CUZ
THOSE
DORMS ARE
NASTY.

NAME: REN SEVERIN
STATUS: LAPSED VEGAN
WEARING: VINTAGE DENIM
BONUS POINTS: CAN FRONTSIDE
360 HEELFLIP TO SWITCH MANUAL



I THINK MY
DORM MATE'S
A LESBIAN.

MERISSA--WE SHOULD
DO THAT! WE SHOULD
GET JOBS AND POOL
OUR CASH AND RENT A
PLACE TOGETHER! EVEN
SHARING A SMALL PLACE
IS BETTER THAN
THE DORMS.

I'M DOWN.
LONA, YOU
IN TOO?



ping

OOPS.



HEY,
AREN'T
YOU--

RILEY!

