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## CHAPTER ONE

When Will Byers finds himself in the Upside Down, an impossible dark parody of his own world, he's understandably frightened. But that's nothing compared to the fear that takes hold when he realizes what's in that world with him!

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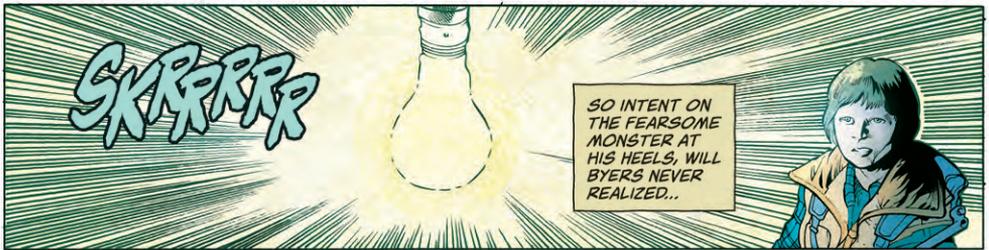


IN THE WORLD OF THE GAME, WILL THE WISE CALLED UPON THE ARCANES ARTS IN HIS BATTLE AGAINST EVIL.



IT WASN'T ENOUGH TO SAVE HIM.

WHERE IS IT? WHAT IS IT?



SKRRRRR

SO INTENT ON THE FEARSOME MONSTER AT HIS HEELS, WILL BYERS NEVER REALIZED...



...TEETH AND CLAWS WEREN'T THE ONLY DANGER THAT HE FACED.



CAST A PROTECTION SPELL!

THE MONSTER LOOMING OVER THE BOY IS A STRANGE ECHO OF THE STORY THAT PLAYED OUT A SHORT TIME AGO.



FIREBALL HIM!

CAST PROTECTION!



IN THE REAL WORLD, WILL DOESN'T HAVE A CHOICE OF SPELLS.

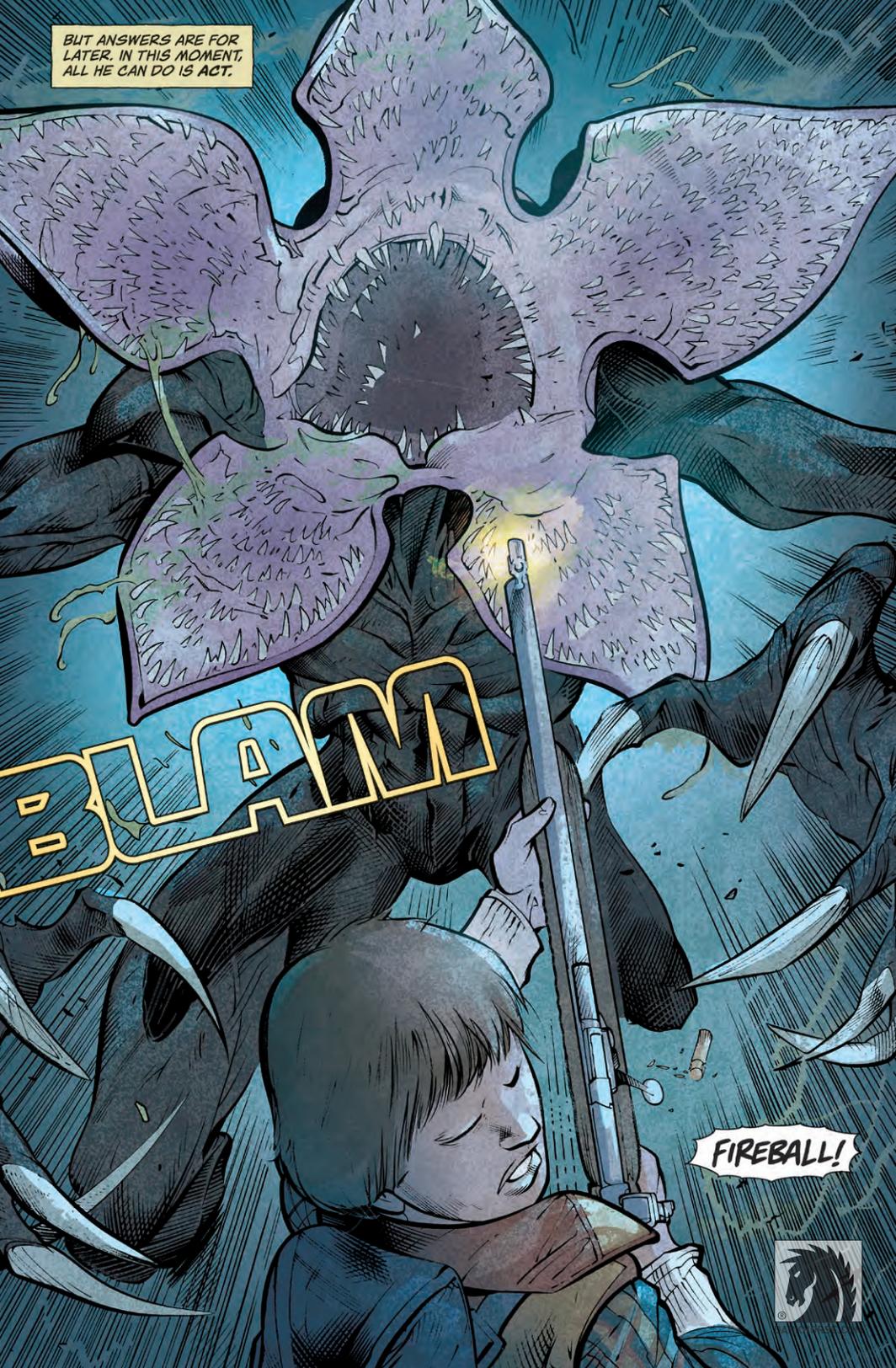
FIREBALL!



THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THIS IS THE REAL WORLD OR NOT REMAINS.

PROTECTION!

BUT ANSWERS ARE FOR LATER. IN THIS MOMENT, ALL HE CAN DO IS ACT.

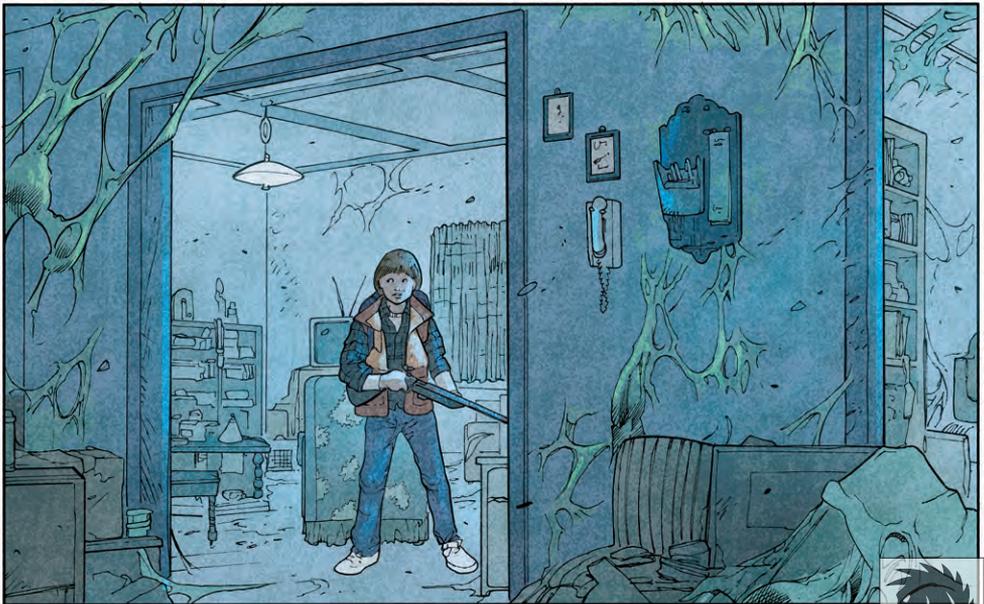
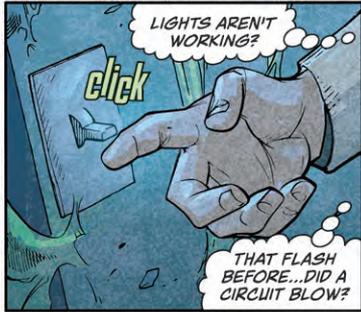


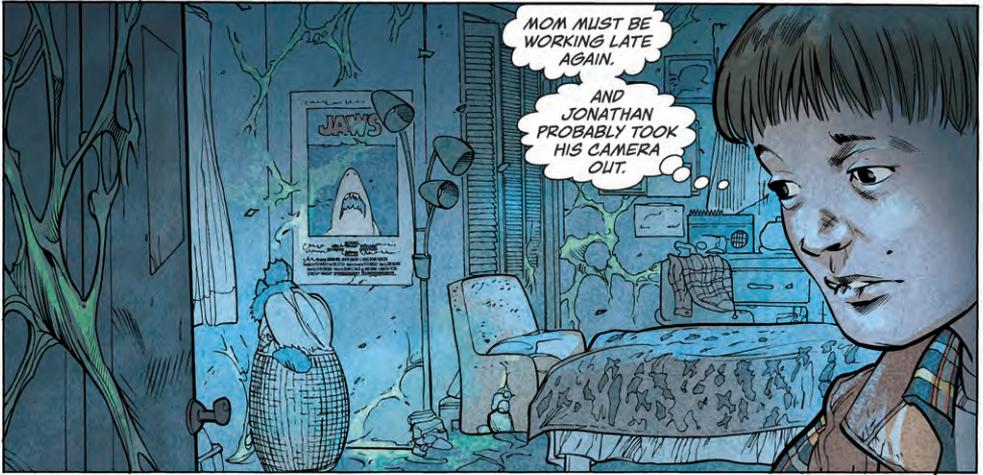
BOOM!

FIREBALL!









MOM MUST BE WORKING LATE AGAIN.

AND JONATHAN PROBABLY TOOK HIS CAMERA OUT.



WHATEVER'S GOING ON, THEY'LL KNOW WHAT TO DO WHEN THEY GET HOME.

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THEY'LL FIND ME.



AS HE WAITS, THE ADRENALINE FROM THE CHASE DRAINS AWAY.



HE MAY NOT YET BE SAFE...



...BUT FOR NOW AT LEAST, HE RESTS.





YOU TWO ACT LIKE THE DICE GAVE YOU SO MUCH MORE POWER THAN HIM.



YOU'RE BOTH STILL LEVEL ONE. EASY PREY.



AND IF SOMETHING EATS YOU, DON'T BLAME WILL THE WISE.



IT ISN'T A CONTEST TO SEE WHICH OF YOU IS THE STRONGEST OR CAN GET THE MOST KILLS.

YOU LIVE AS A PARTY OR YOU DIE ALONE.

"THE ONLY WAY YOU SURVIVE AND LEVEL UP IS TOGETHER."



FELL ASLEEP... BUT IT'S STILL DARK OUT?

AND IT STILL SMELLS TERRIBLE.



FOR THE FIRST TIME, WILL REALLY SEES THROUGH THE STRANGENESS THAT SURROUNDS HIM.



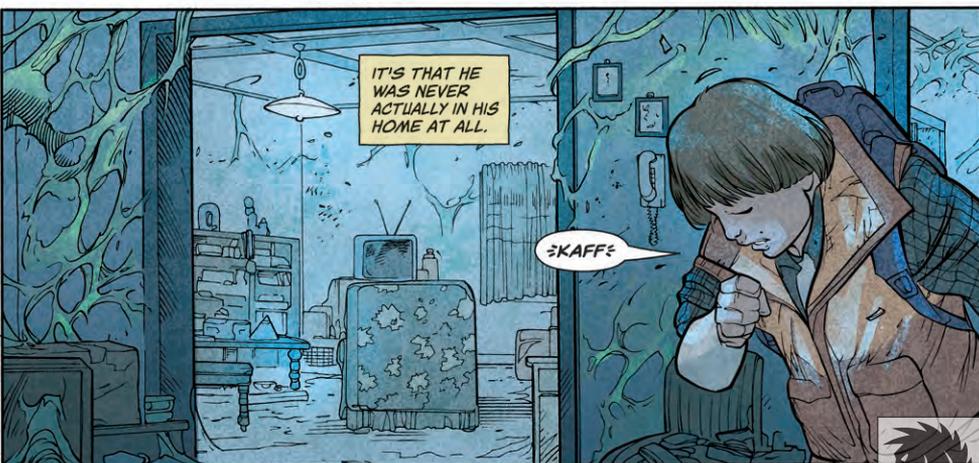
IT'S NOT THAT HIS HOME HAS BEEN INFECTED BY SOMETHING.

HELLO? ANYBODY HERE?



IT'S THAT HE WAS NEVER ACTUALLY IN HIS HOME AT ALL.

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