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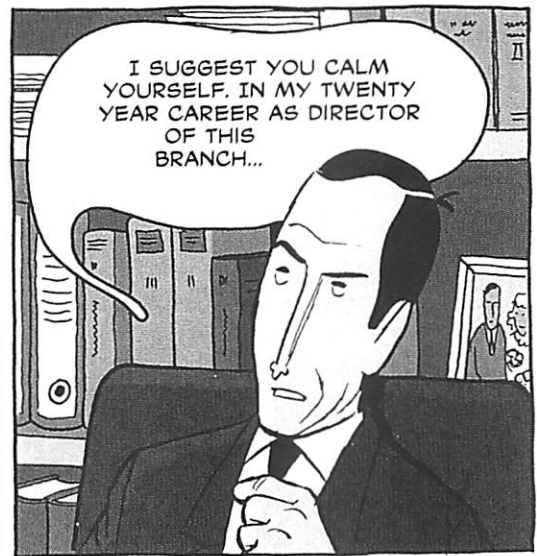
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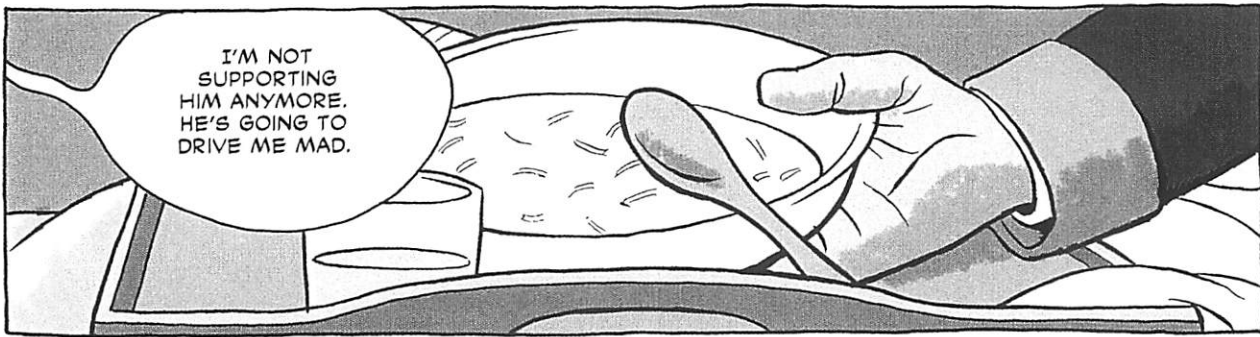
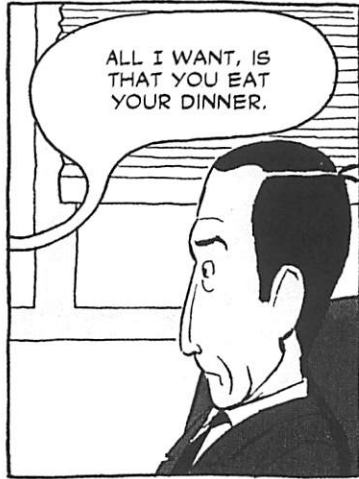


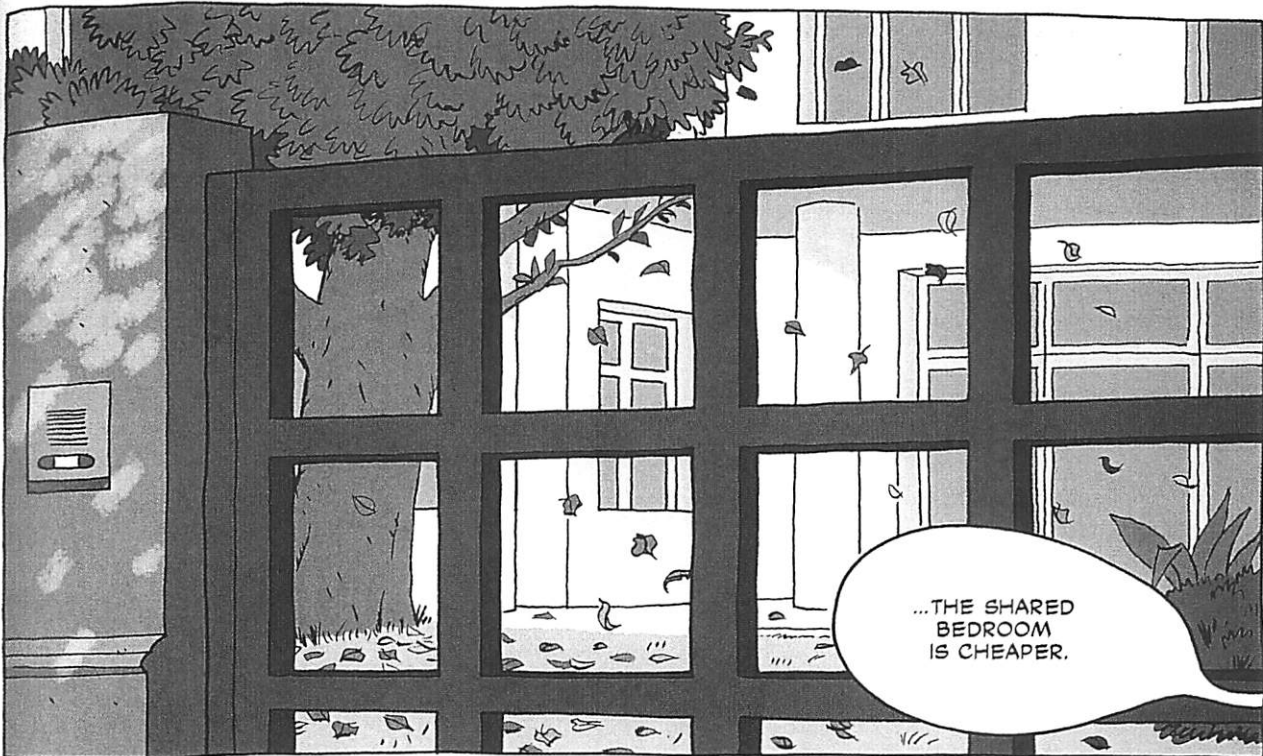
KNOCKABOUT

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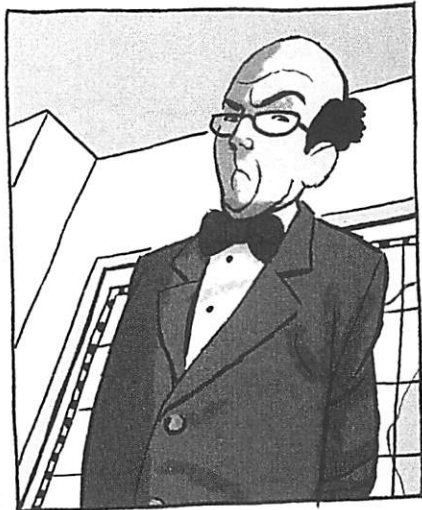
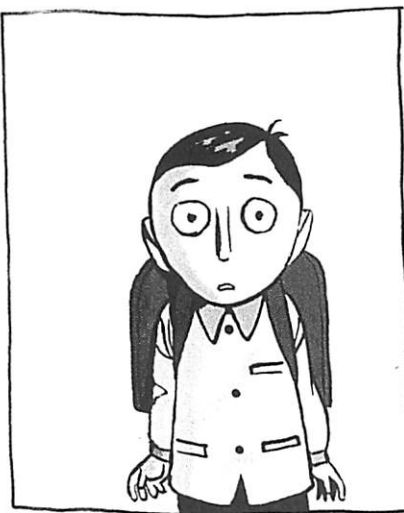
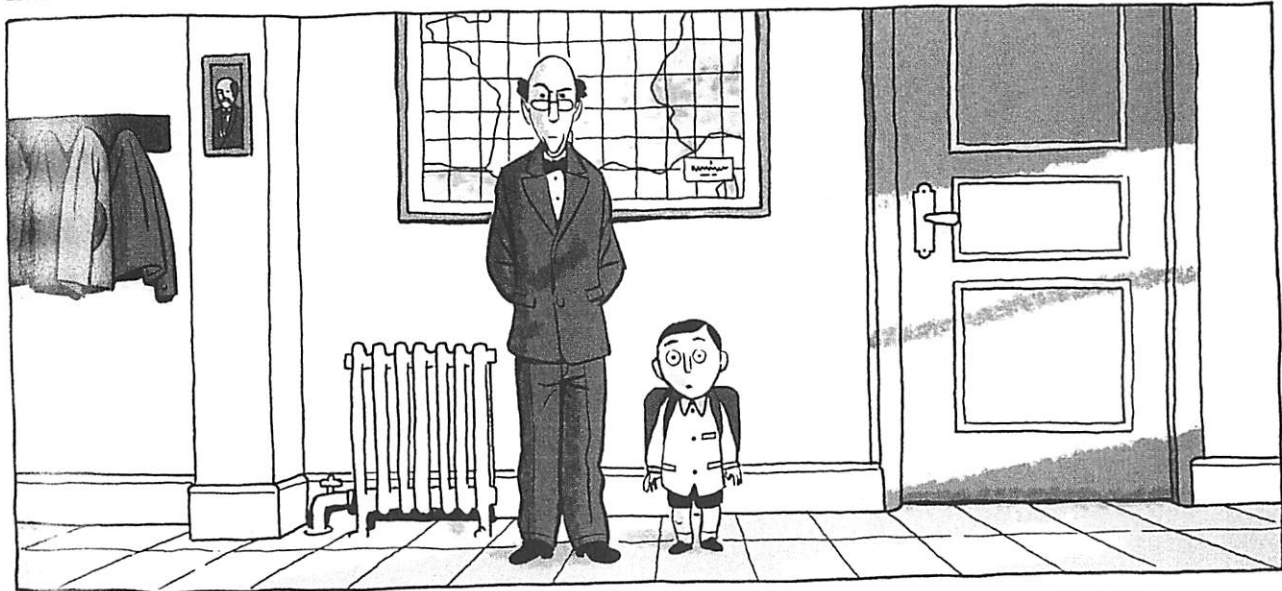
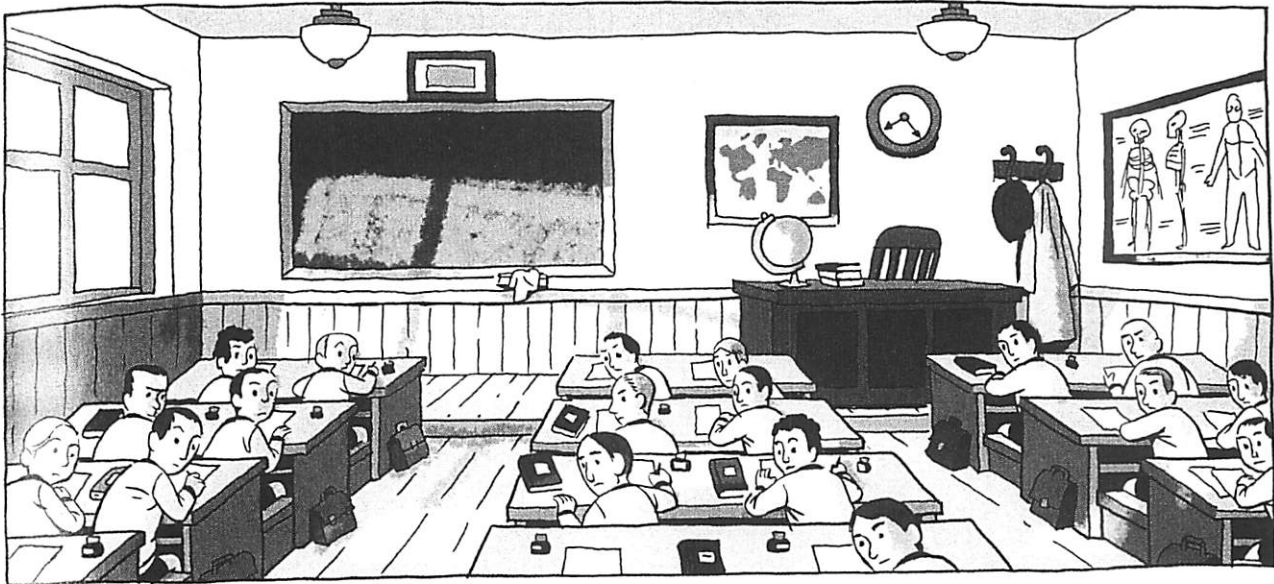
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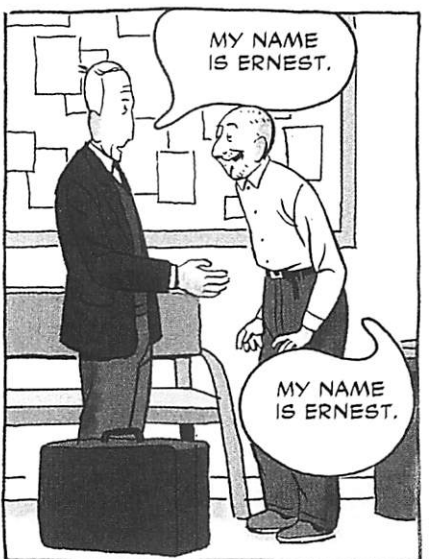
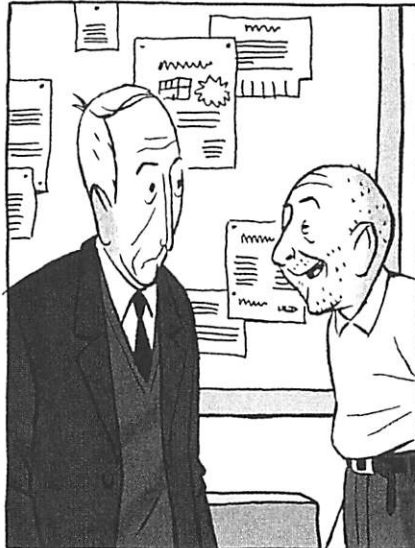
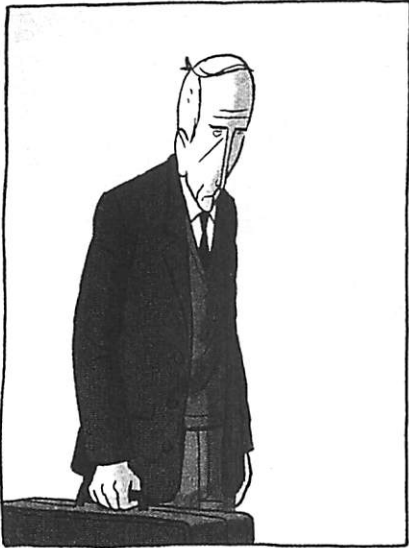


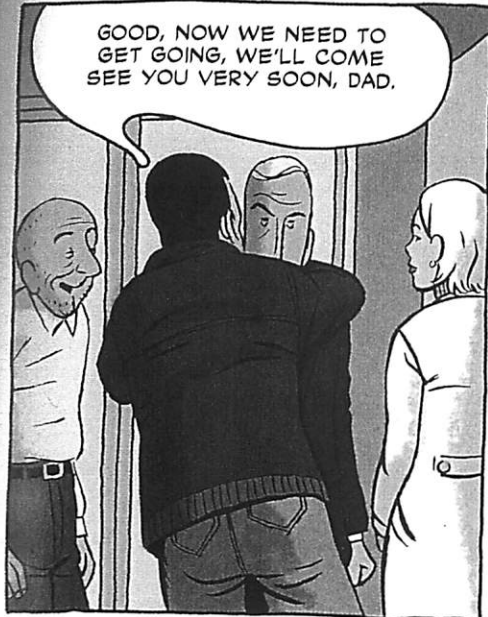








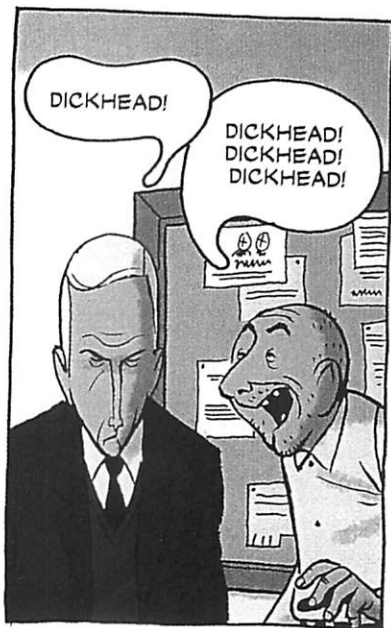




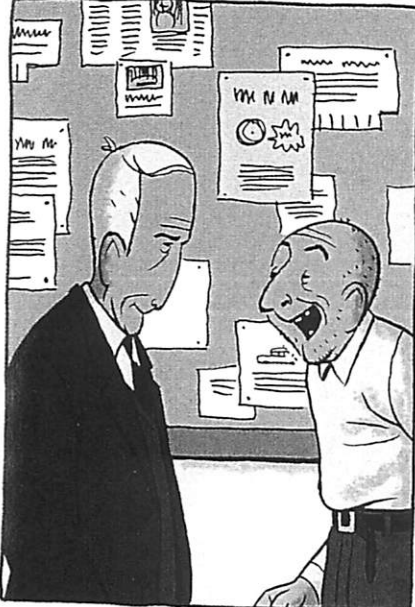
GOOD, NOW WE NEED TO GET GOING, WE'LL COME SEE YOU VERY SOON, DAD.



WE'LL LEAVE YOU WITH YOUR NEW FRIEND. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF.



DICKHEAD!
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IT'S HUMILIATING TO BE TREATED LIKE A CHILD, ISN'T IT?



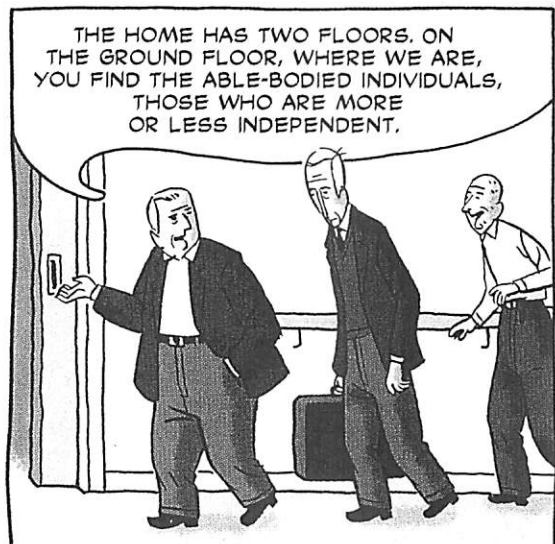
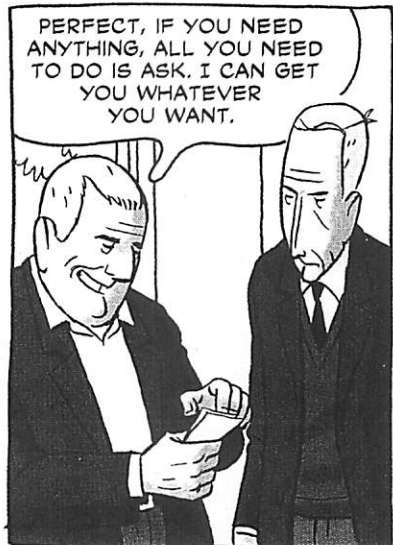
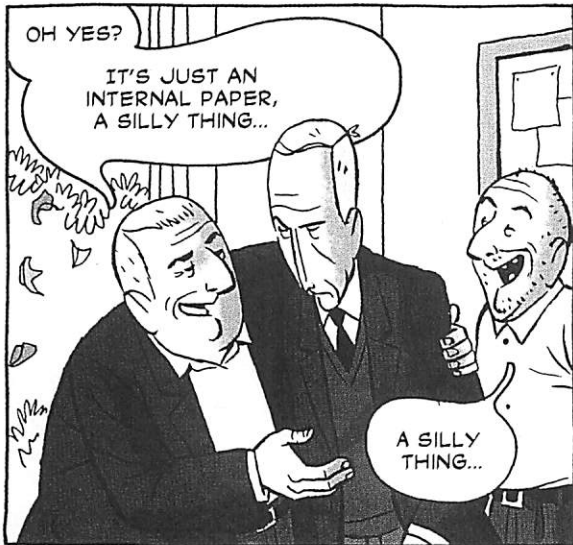
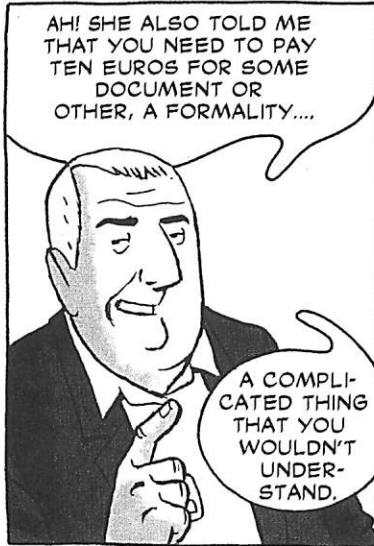
MY NAME IS ÉMILE.

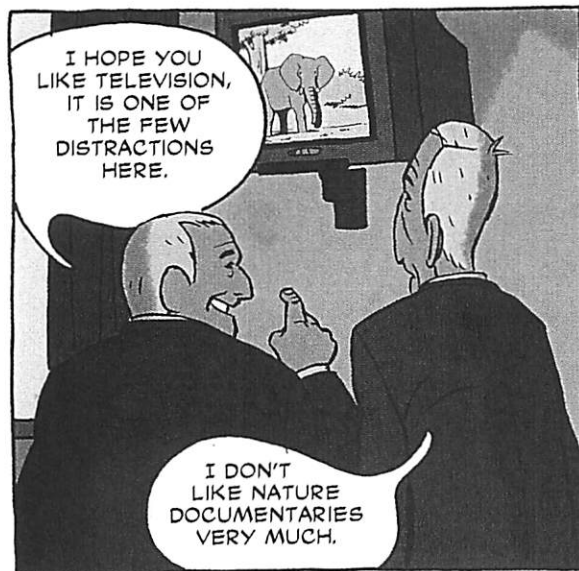
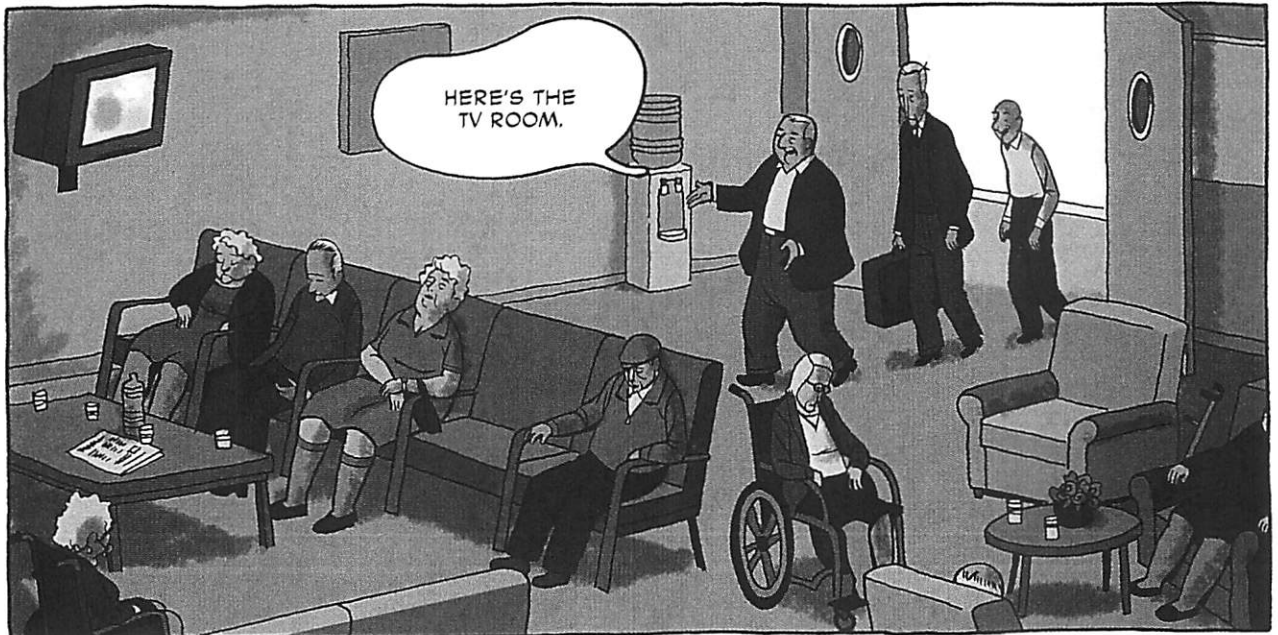
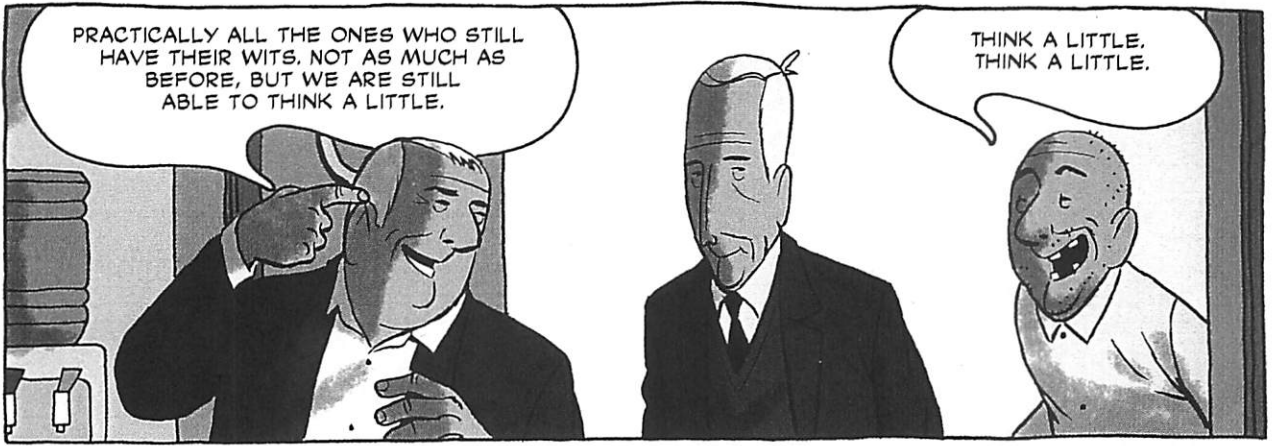
YOU'RE MY NEW ROOMMATE.

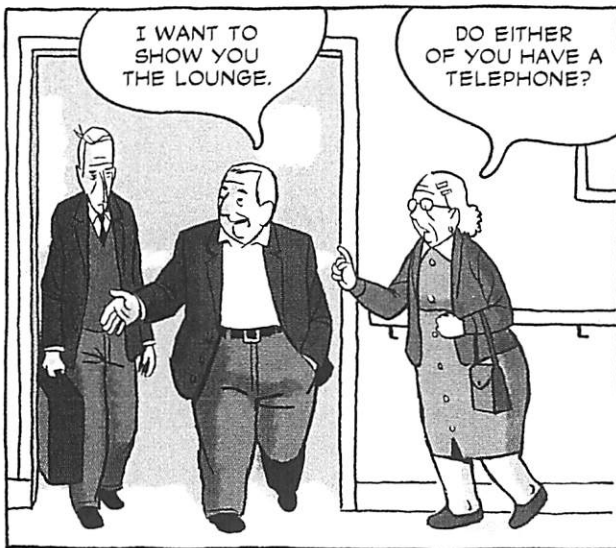
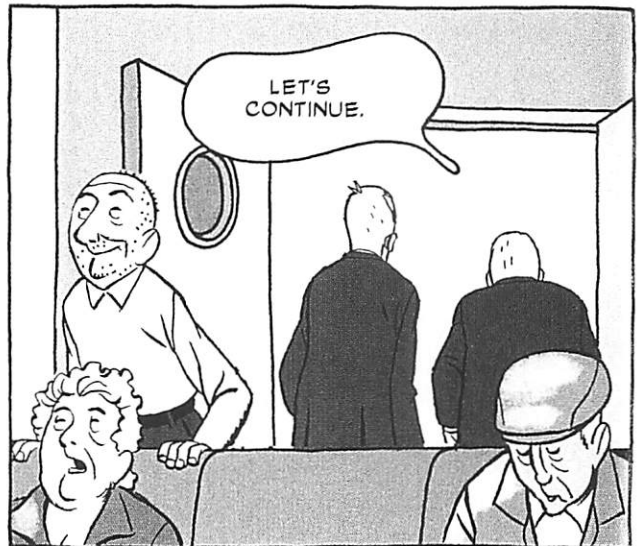


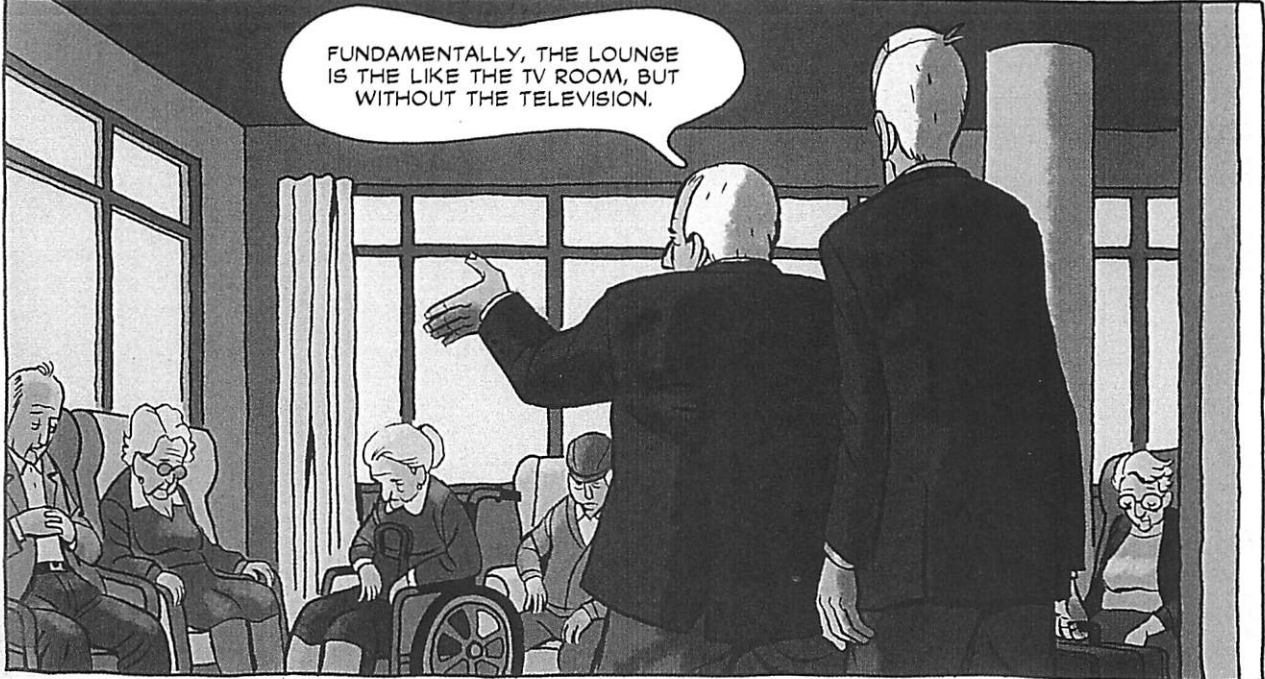
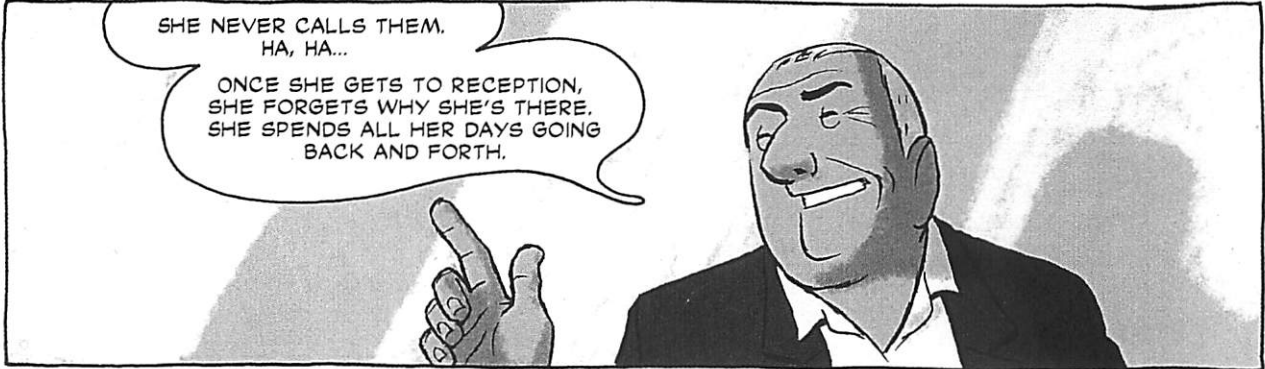
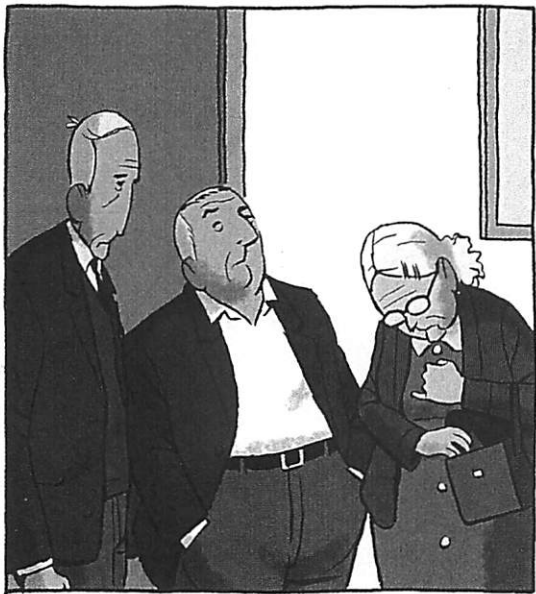
HIM, THAT'S ALPHONSE. ALPHONSE IS A RADIO HOST. APPARENTLY, SO TO SPEAK, HE'S STOPPED USING HIS OWN WORDS

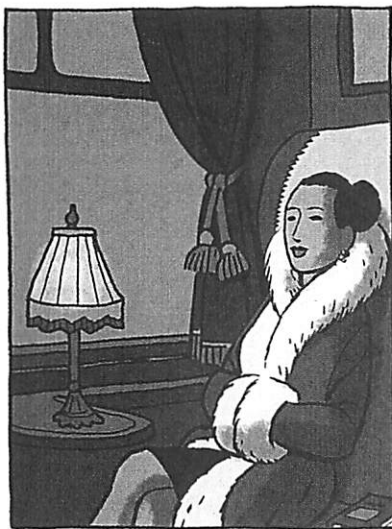
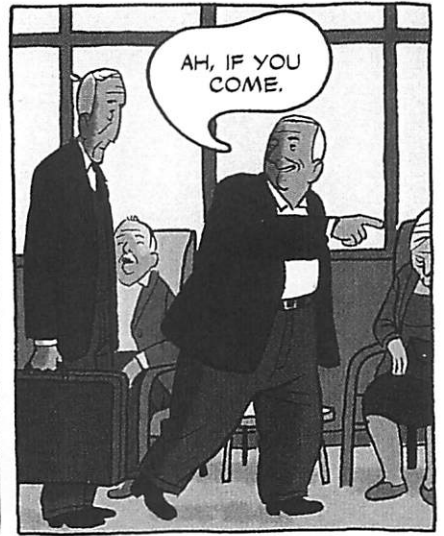
NOW, HE ONLY REPEATS WHAT OTHER PEOPLE SAY.

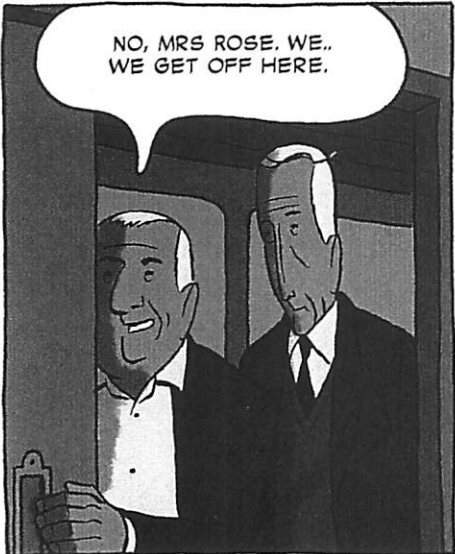












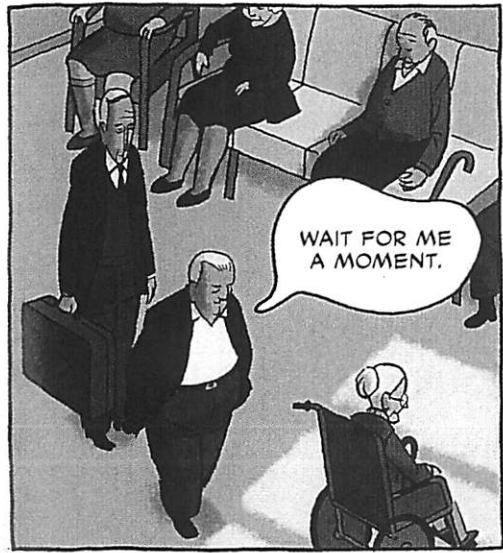
NO, MRS ROSE, WE.. WE GET OFF HERE.



MRS ROSE SPENDS ALL DAY LOOKING OUT OF THE WINDOW.



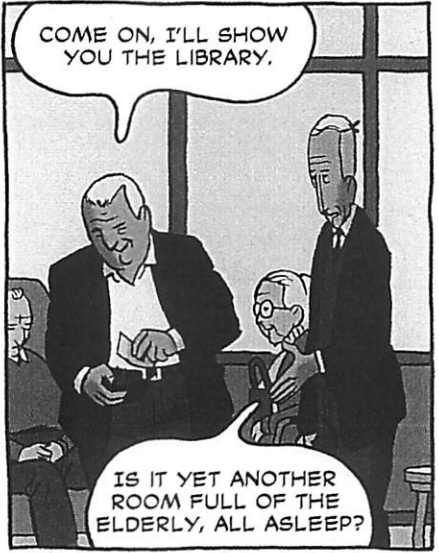
SHE THINKS THAT SHE IS TRAVELLING ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS TO ISTANBUL.



WAIT FOR ME A MOMENT.



MRS ROSE, TICKET INSPECTION...



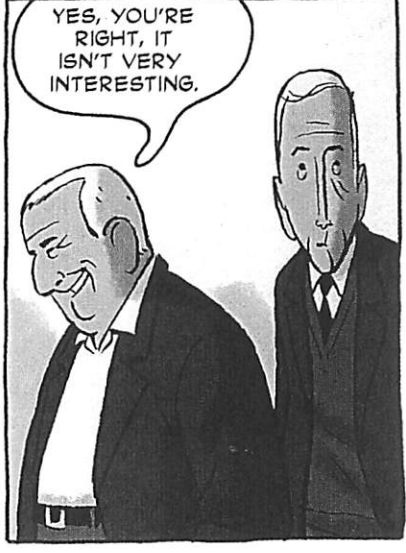
COME ON, I'LL SHOW YOU THE LIBRARY.

IS IT YET ANOTHER ROOM FULL OF THE ELDERLY, ALL ASLEEP?

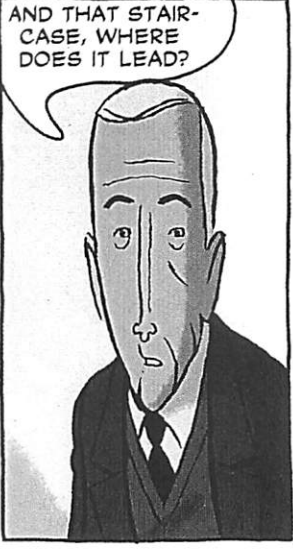


SOMEONE ELSE ALREADY SHOWED IT TO YOU?

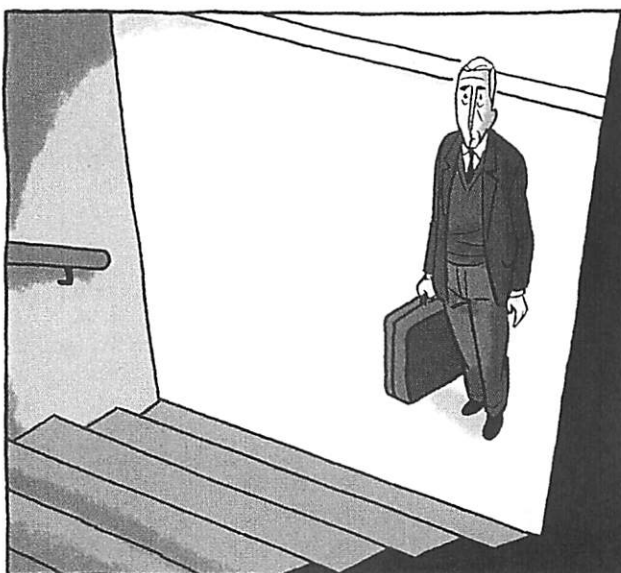
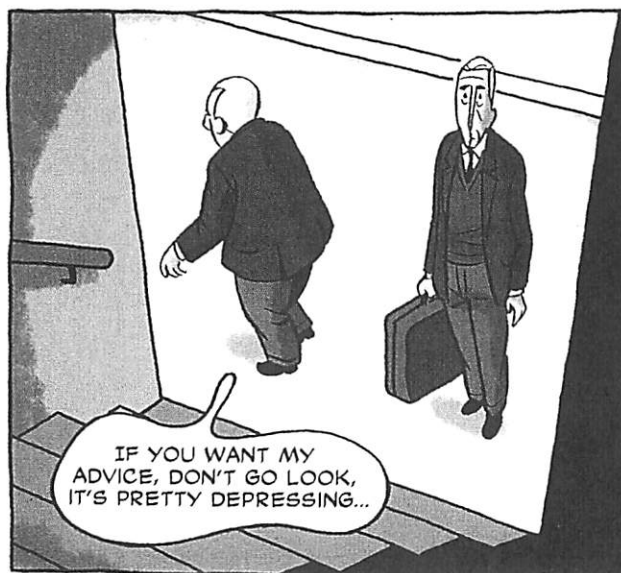
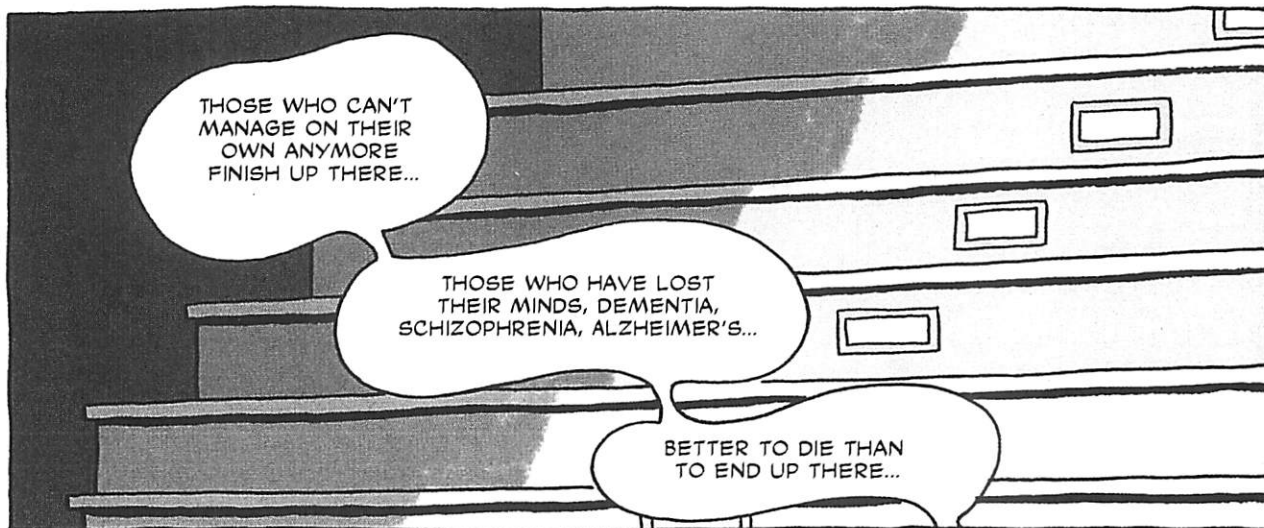
NO, JUST A GUESS...

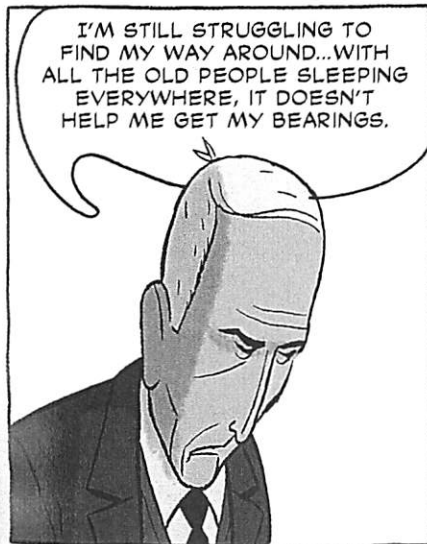
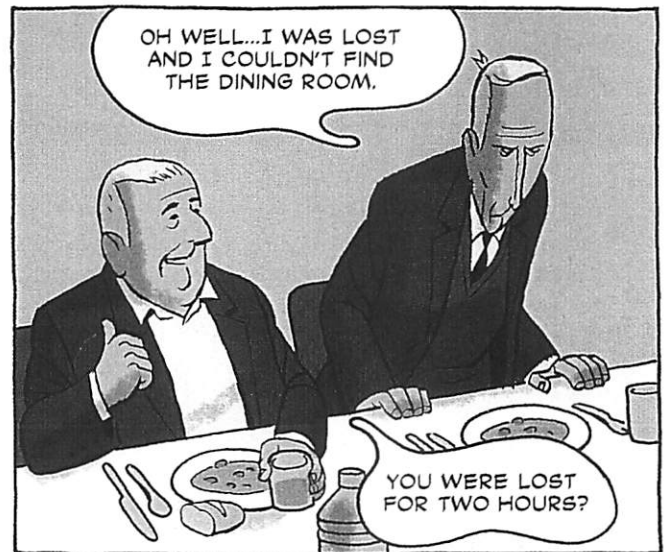


YES, YOU'RE RIGHT, IT ISN'T VERY INTERESTING.



AND THAT STAIRCASE, WHERE DOES IT LEAD?







THIS IS ADRIENNE.

WELCOME TO THE COMMUNITY, ERNEST.



GEORGETTE AND MARCEL.

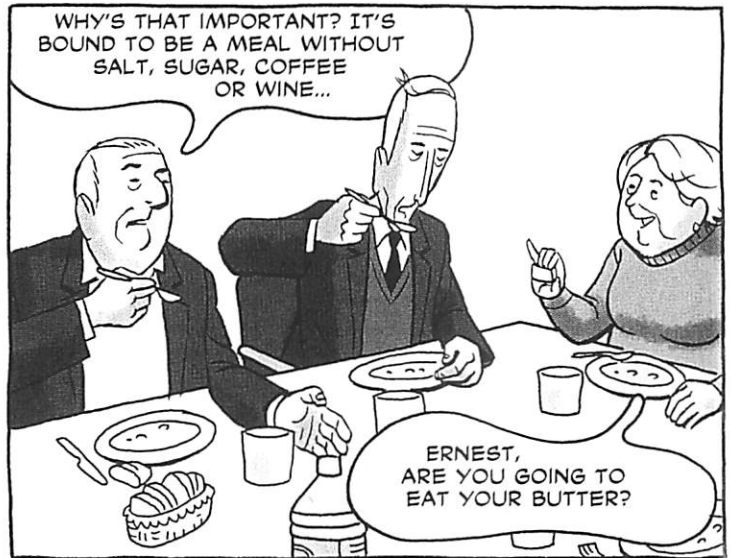
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HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR THE TRIP ON ALL SAINTS DAY?



THE CASINO? IT'S LOVELY. MARCEL AND I ARE THINKING ABOUT IT. DOES THE PRICE INCLUDE MEALS?



WHY'S THAT IMPORTANT? IT'S BOUND TO BE A MEAL WITHOUT SALT, SUGAR, COFFEE OR WINE...

ERNEST, ARE YOU GOING TO EAT YOUR BUTTER?



NO, YOU CAN HAVE IT.

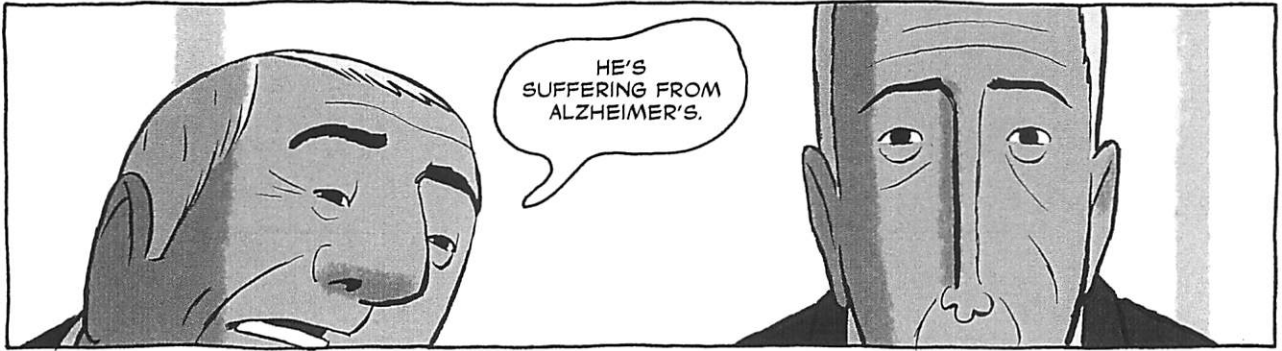


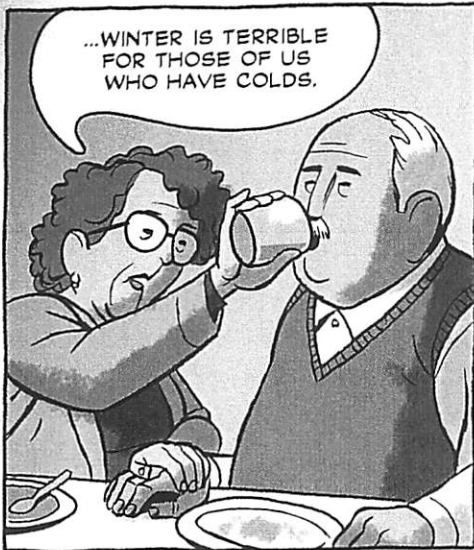
GO ON, ONE MORE SPOONFUL.



MARCEL, WHAT DOES HE HAVE?

THE BIG ONE.

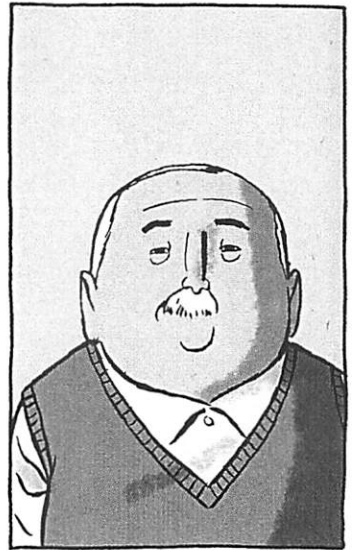




...WINTER IS TERRIBLE FOR THOSE OF US WHO HAVE COLDS.

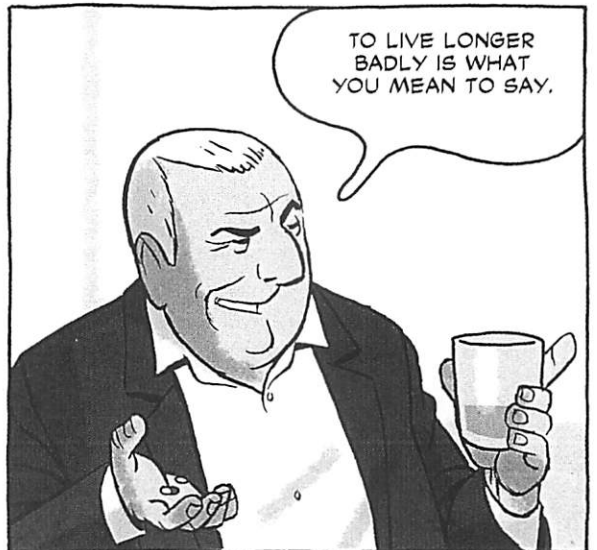


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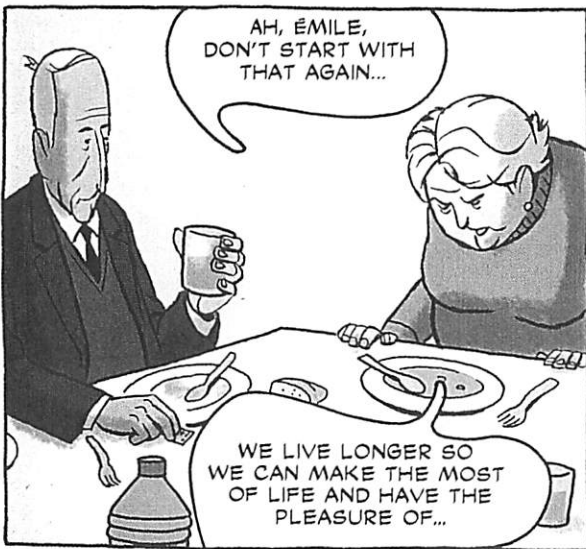


I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHO INSISTS ON THIS REGIME WITH ALL THESE PILLS AND RESTRICTIONS...

IT'S SO WE CAN LIVE LONGER.



TO LIVE LONGER BADLY IS WHAT YOU MEAN TO SAY.



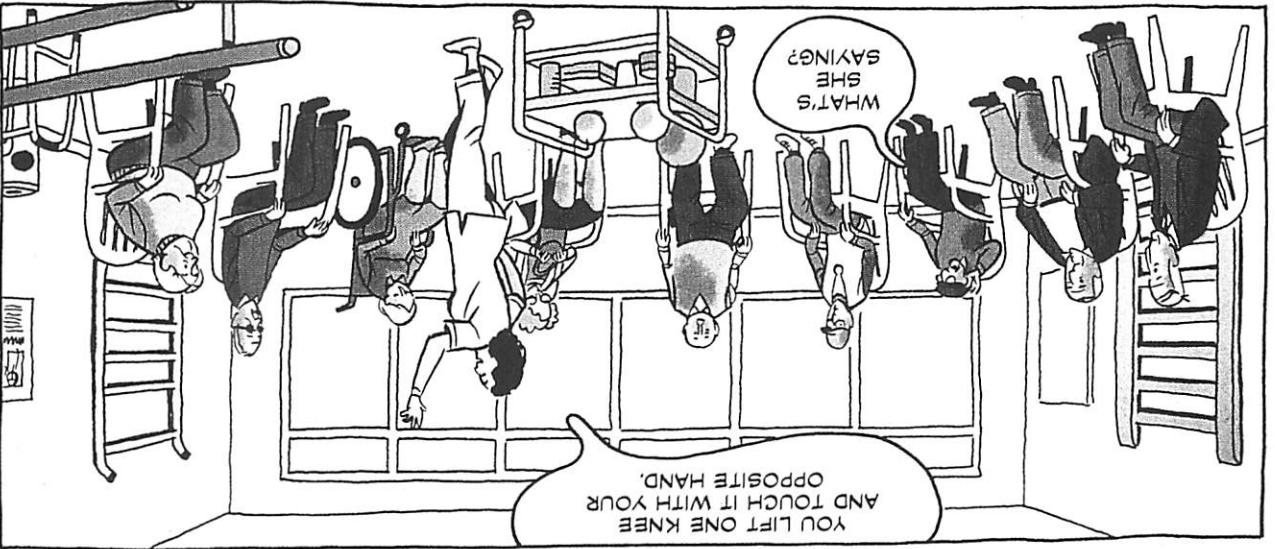
AH, ÉMILE, DON'T START WITH THAT AGAIN...

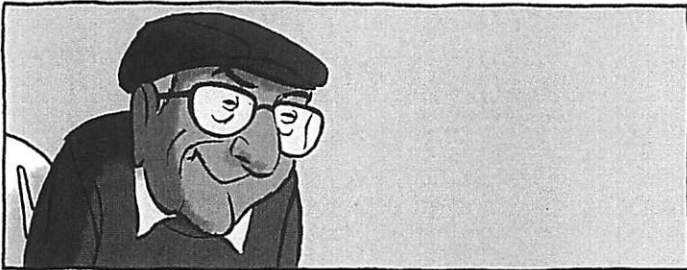
WE LIVE LONGER SO WE CAN MAKE THE MOST OF LIFE AND HAVE THE PLEASURE OF...

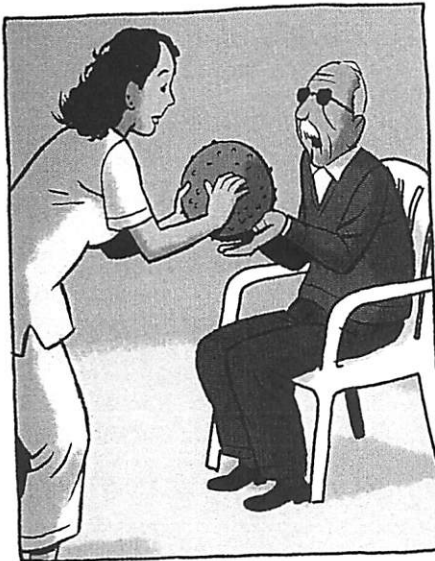
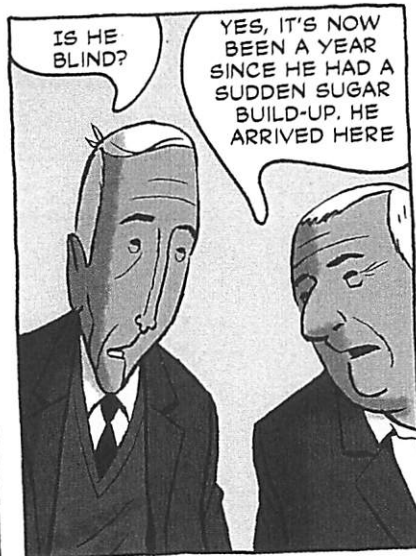


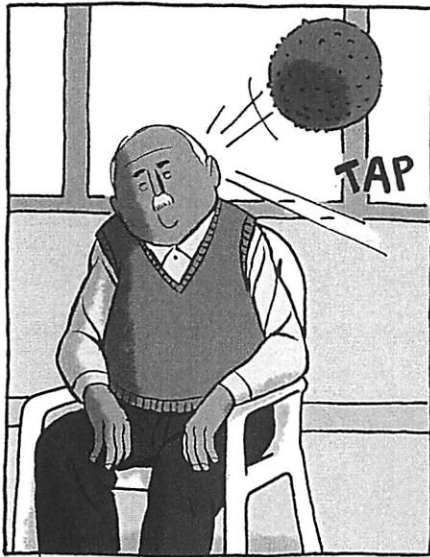
SEEING OUR CHILDREN AND OUR GRANDCHILDREN... WELL, I'LL BE NAPPING ON THE COUCH UNTIL ITS DINNERTIME

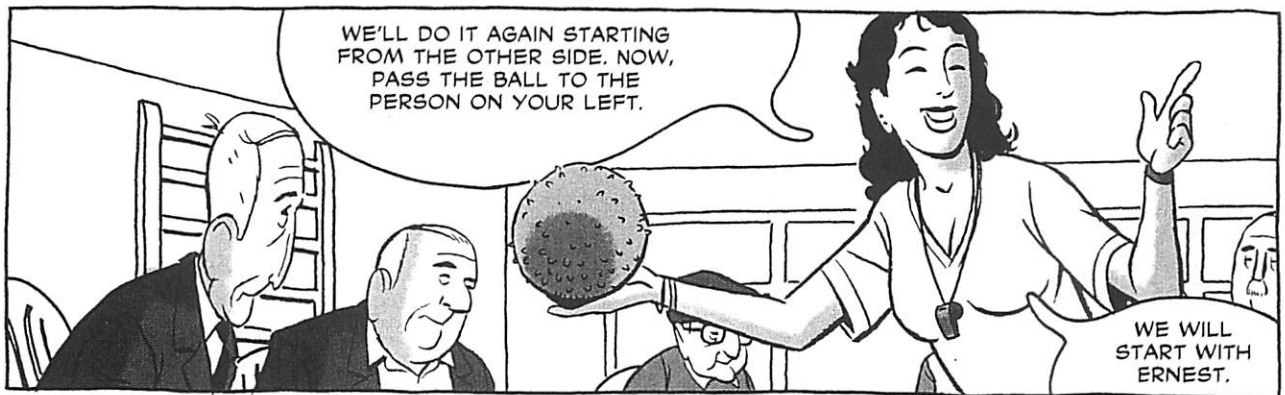


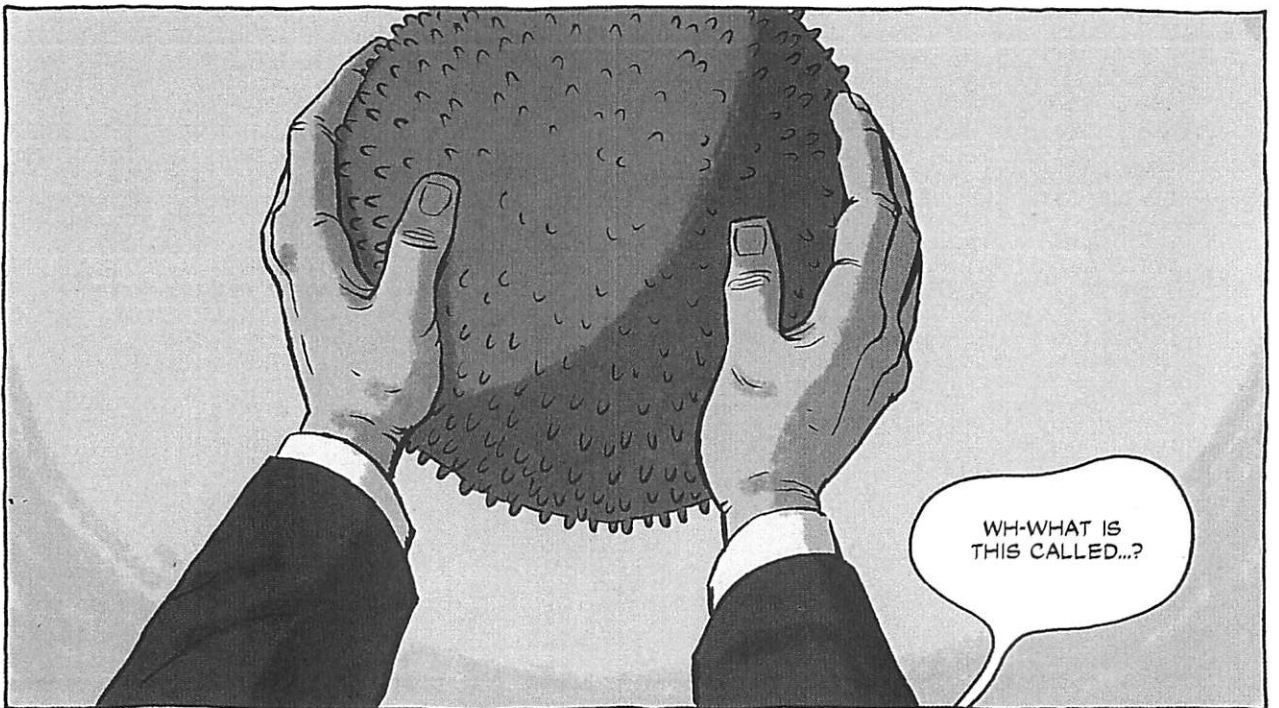
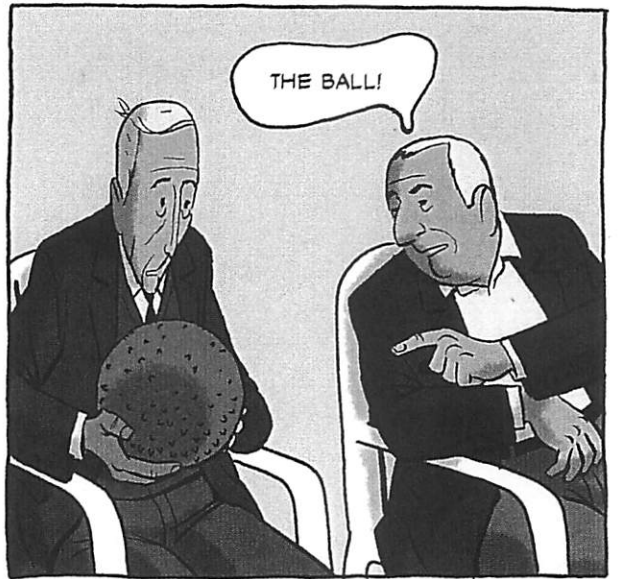


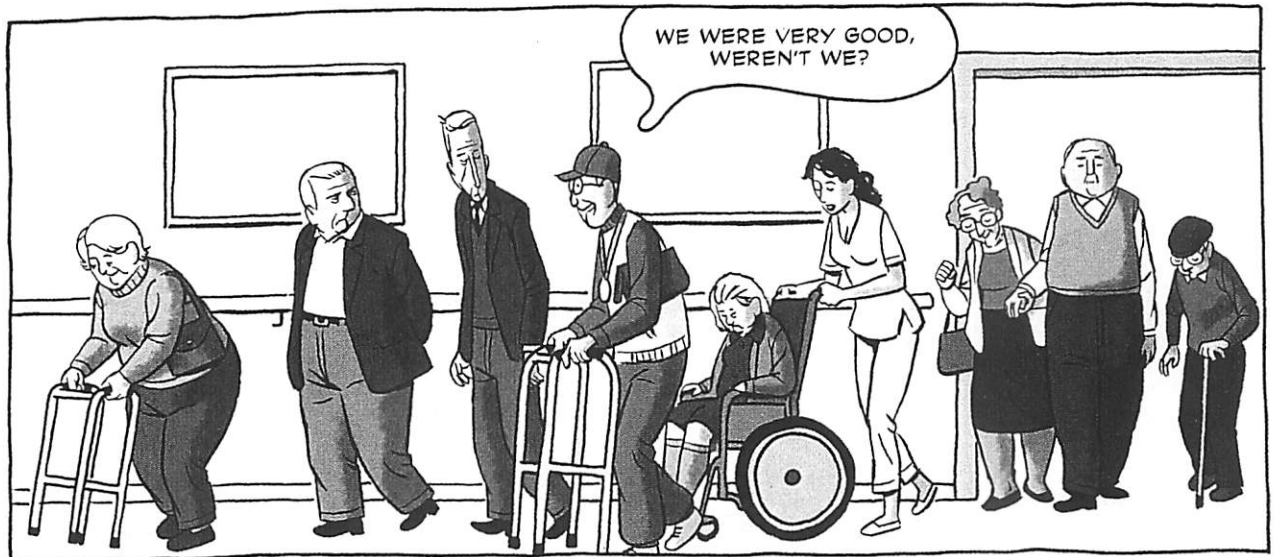


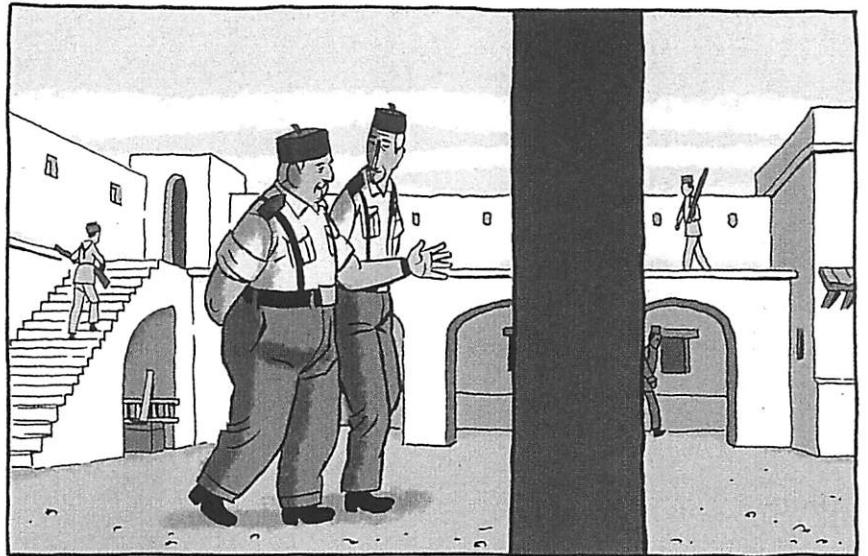
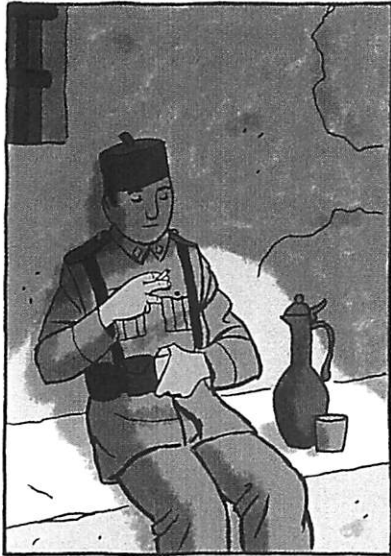




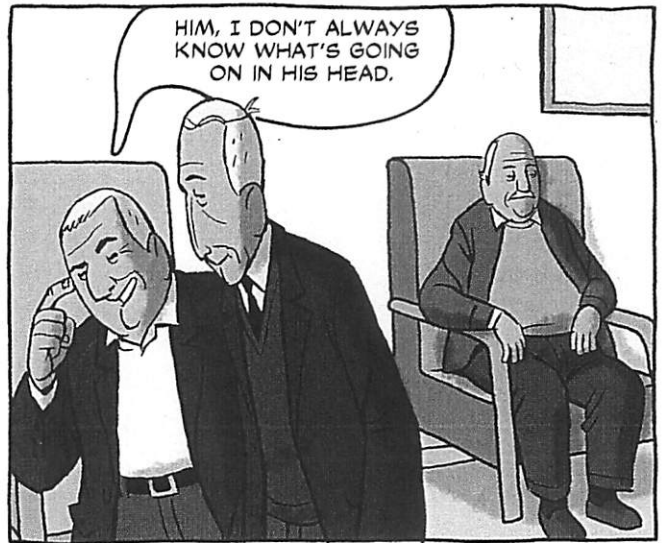








YOU MAY SIT DOWN, JOSEPH.



HIM, I DON'T ALWAYS KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IN HIS HEAD.



IF YOU WANT TO USE THE TELEPHONE, GO ASK AT RECEPTION.

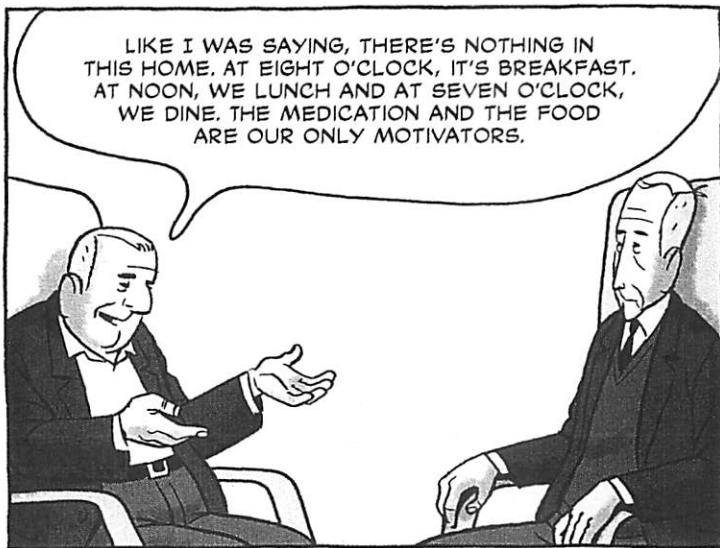


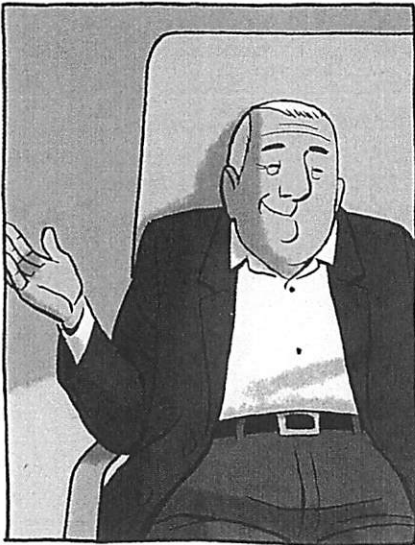
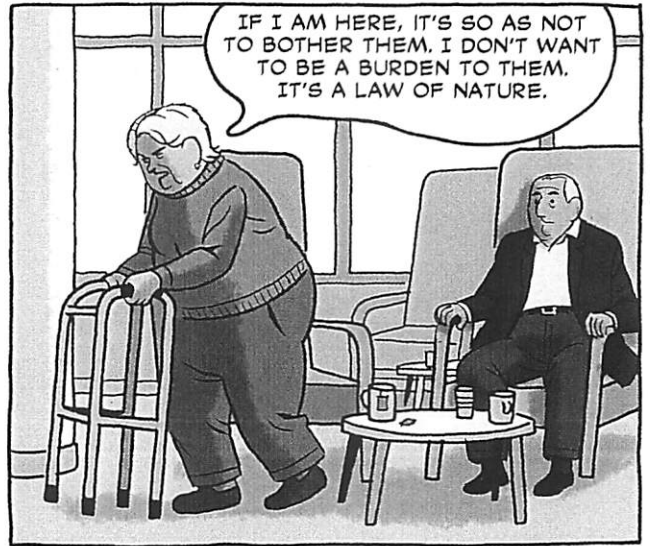
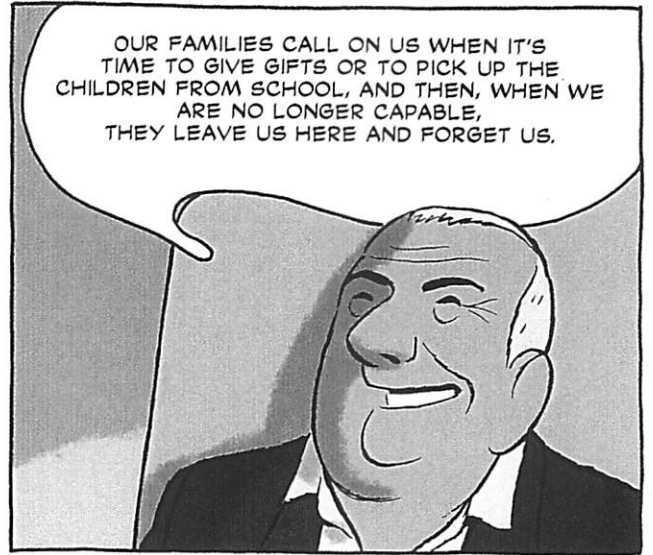
WAIT, WAIT A MOMENT, MRS. SIMONE.

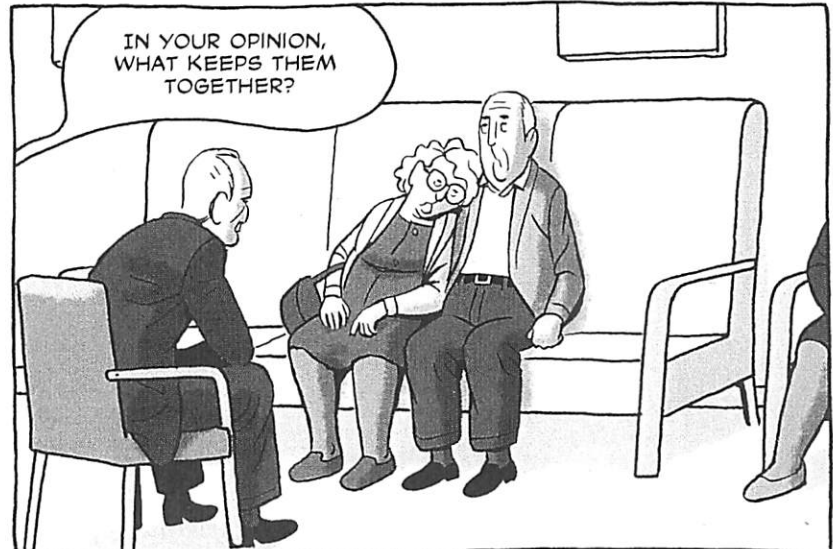
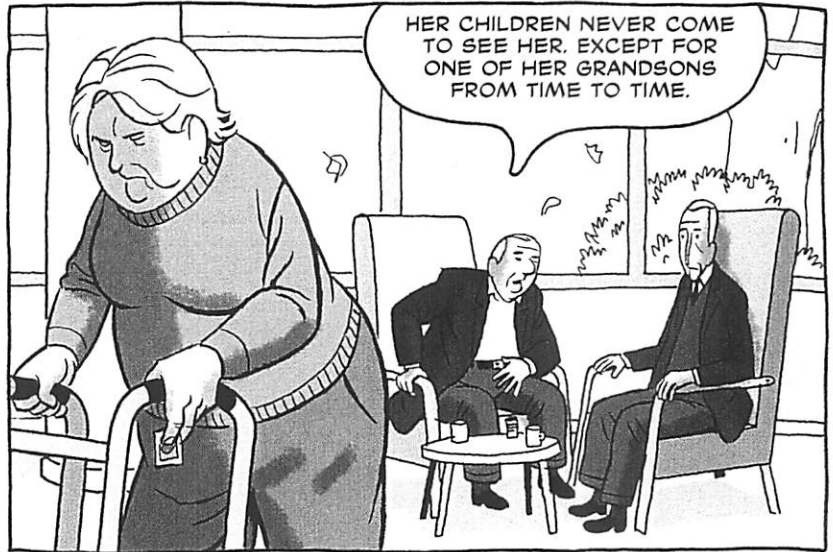
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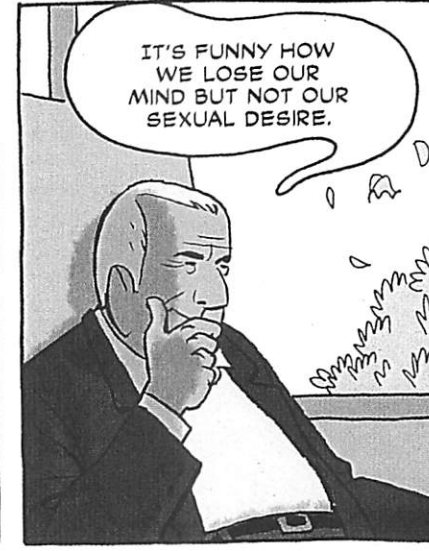
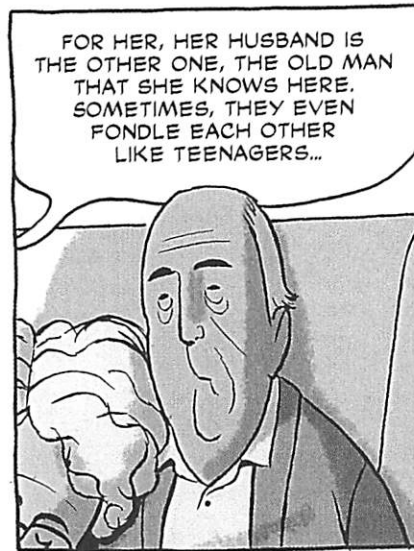
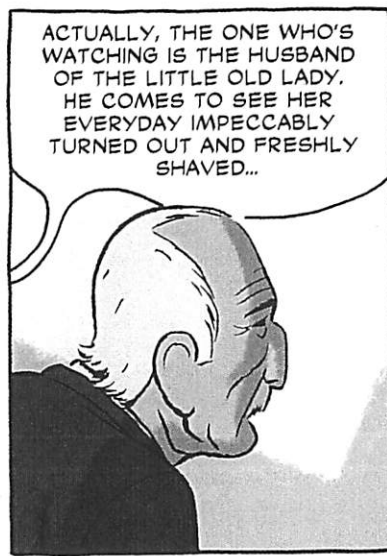
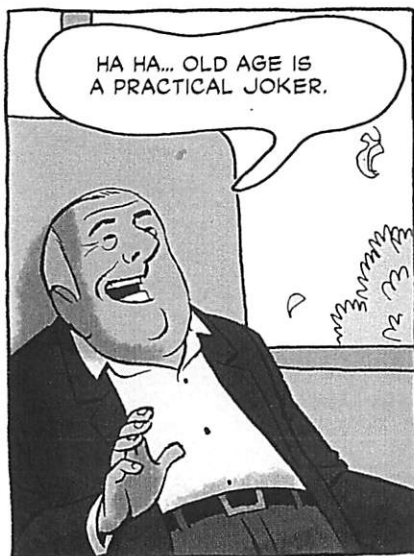
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AND GEORGETTE AND MARCEL? THEY SEEM VERY CLOSE-KNIT.



THEM? THEY ARRIVED HERE ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO.



MARCEL WAS ALREADY SUFFERING FROM ALZHEIMER'S...



AND GEORGETTE CAME TO THE HOME TO BE WITH HIM.



THEY MET SIXTY YEARS AGO AND HAVE NEVER BEEN SEPARATED SINCE.



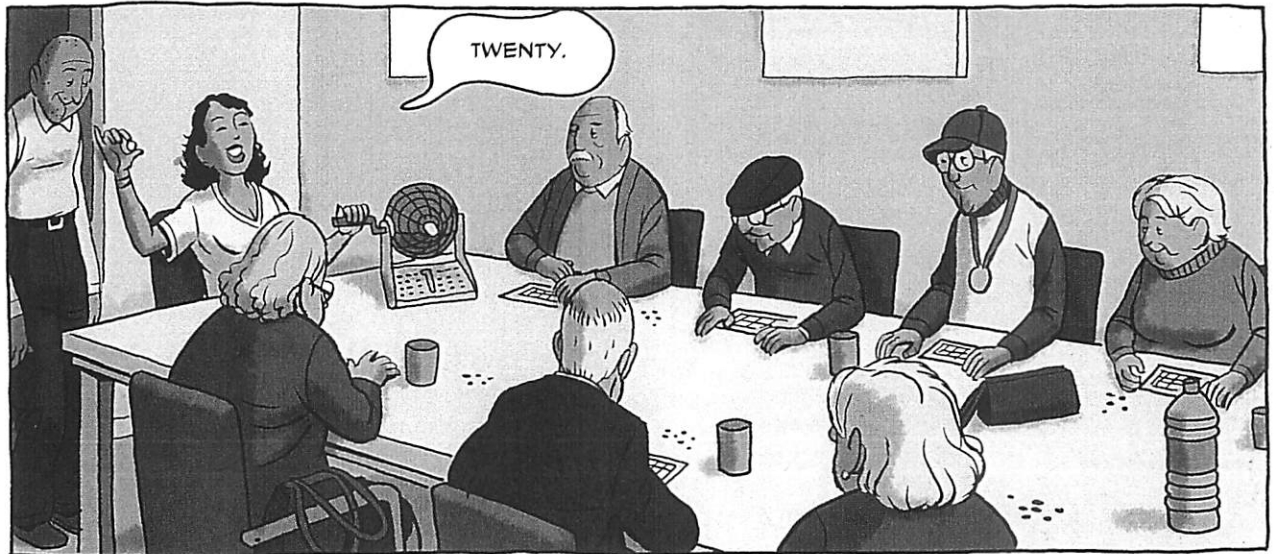
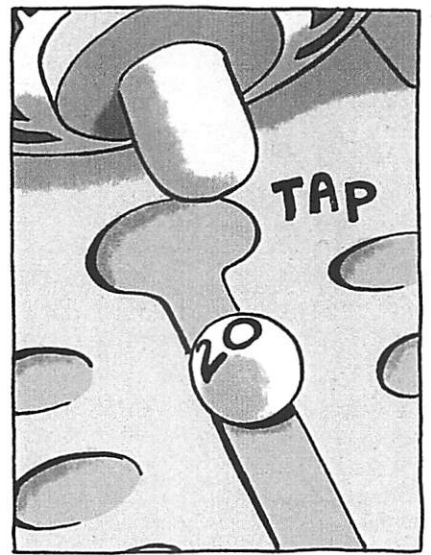
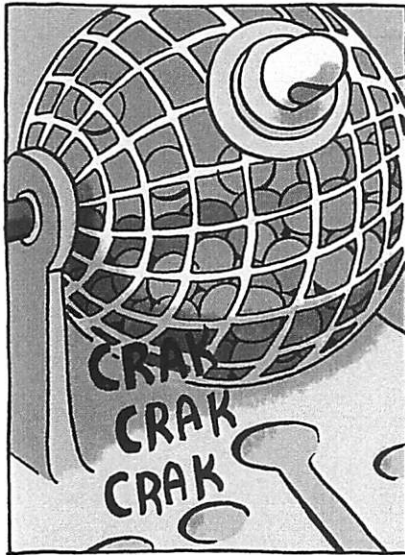
SUCH A BEAUTIFUL LOVE STORY, EVEN WITH THE ELDERLY.

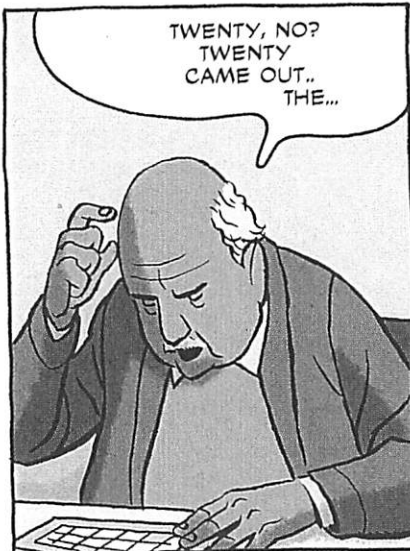
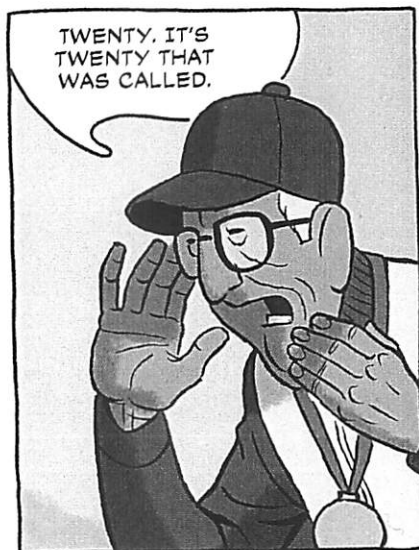
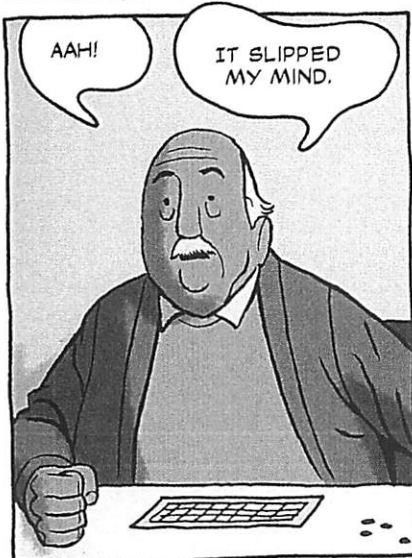
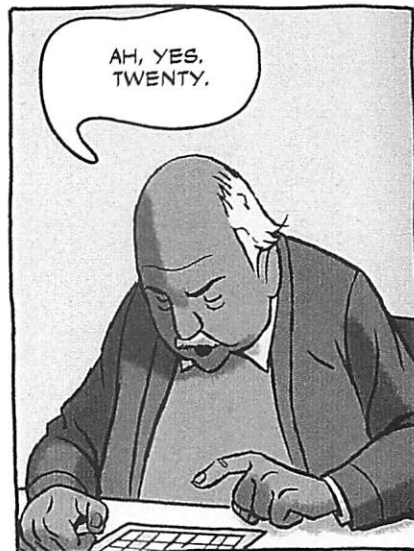


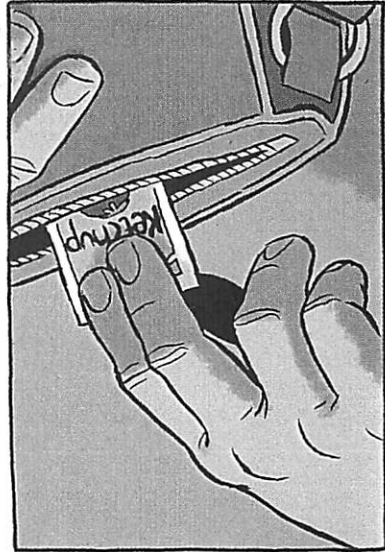
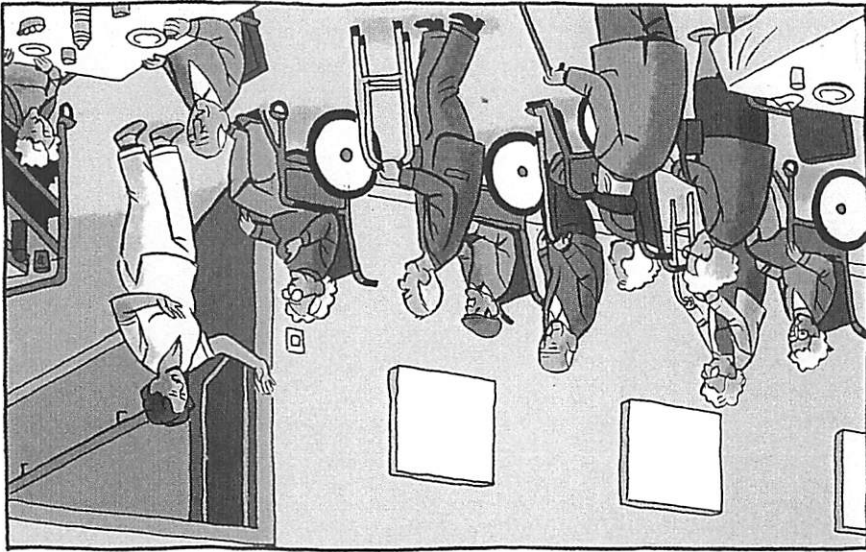
DO YOU THINK THAT MARCEL DOESN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING AT ALL? HAVING HIS WIFE BESIDE HIM MUST BE BETTER THAN A HEAP OF RUBBISH.



WELL, ME, I BELIEVE IT'S ALL THE SAME TO HIM.







WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS SO GRABBY, EMILE



IT'S DIVINE, WE LIKED IT VERY MUCH, MARGEL AND MYSELF.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? I'M READING IT AT CHRISTMAS, I STILL HAVE TO FIND A RHYME FOR "ELDERS".



"INSTEAD CALL US YOUR 'ELDERS', BECAUSE WE ONLY LIVE TO BE CARED" OR "INSTEAD CALL US YOUR 'ELDER', BECAUSE WE CAN'T BE MOVED WITHOUT TREMBLING" OR...



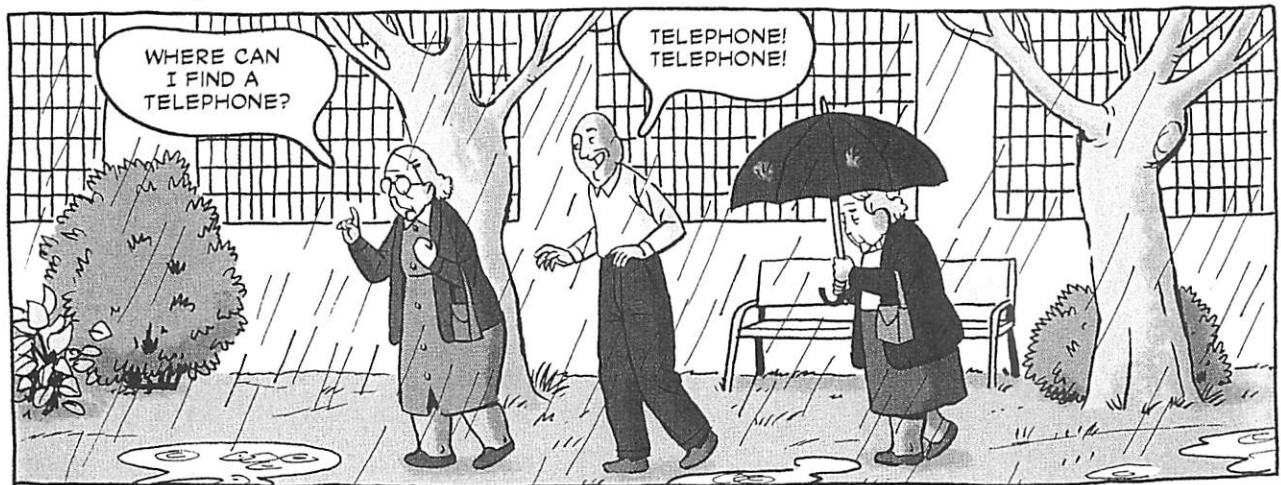
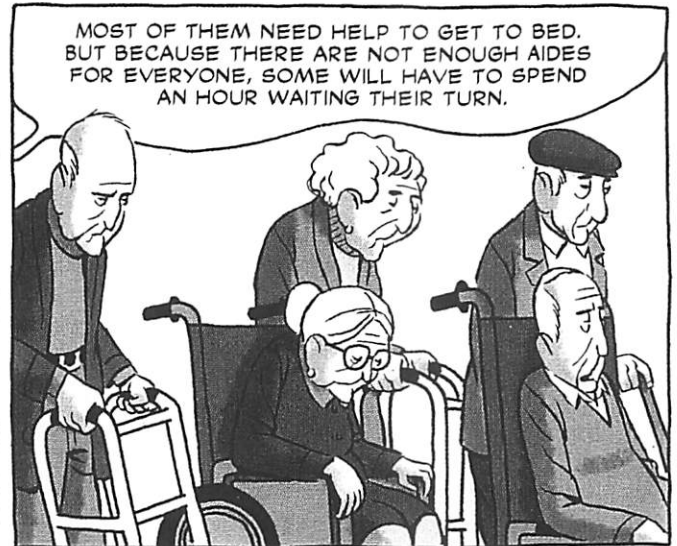
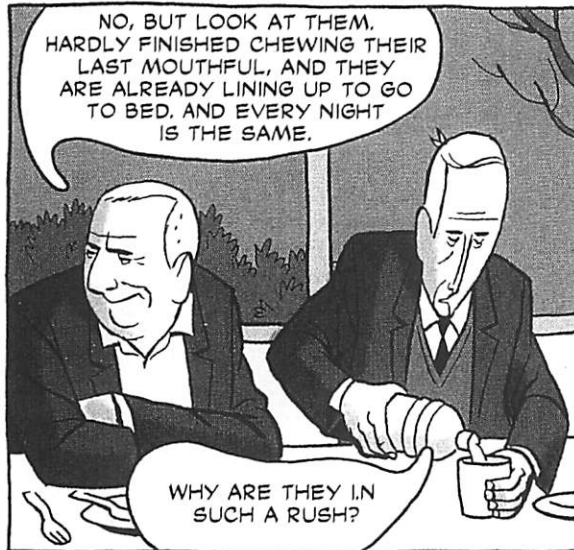
"...INSTEAD CALL US YOUR 'ELDERS'."

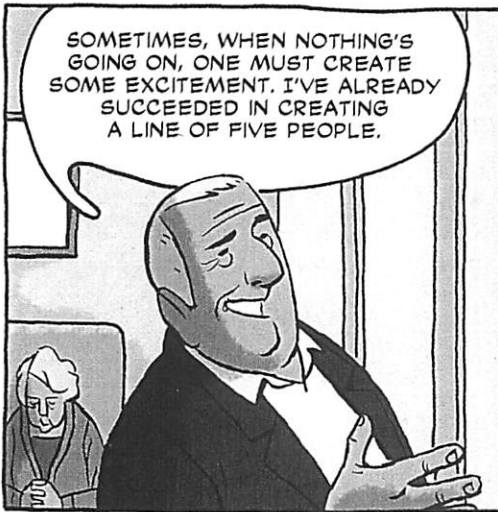
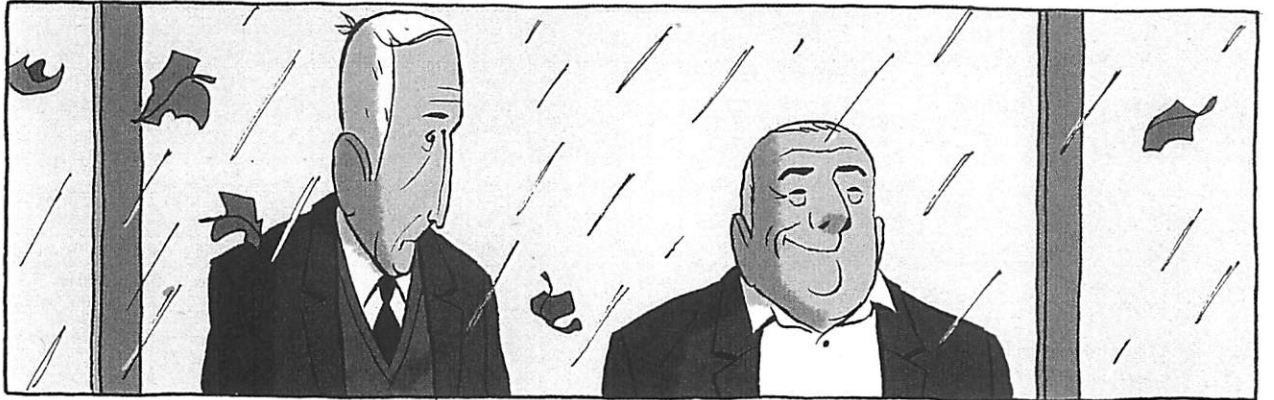


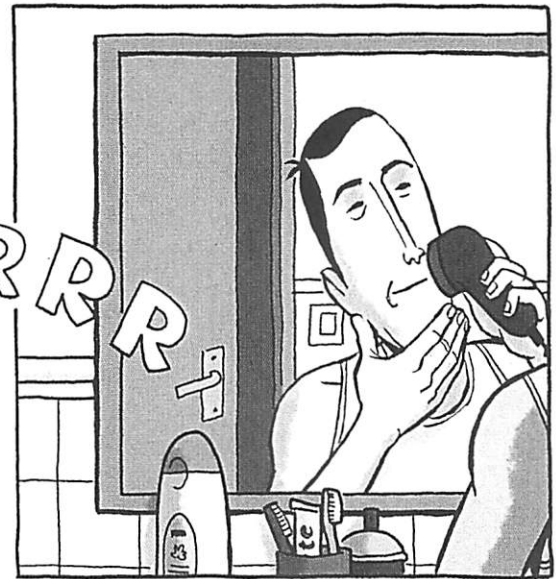
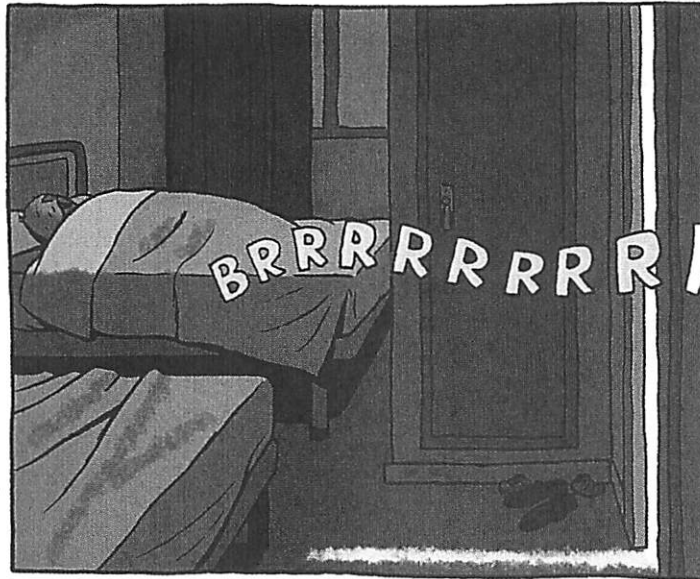
"...BUT DON'T CALL US 'OLD PEOPLE' BECAUSE THAT MAKES US FEEL THAT LIFE IS BEING SUPPLANTED."

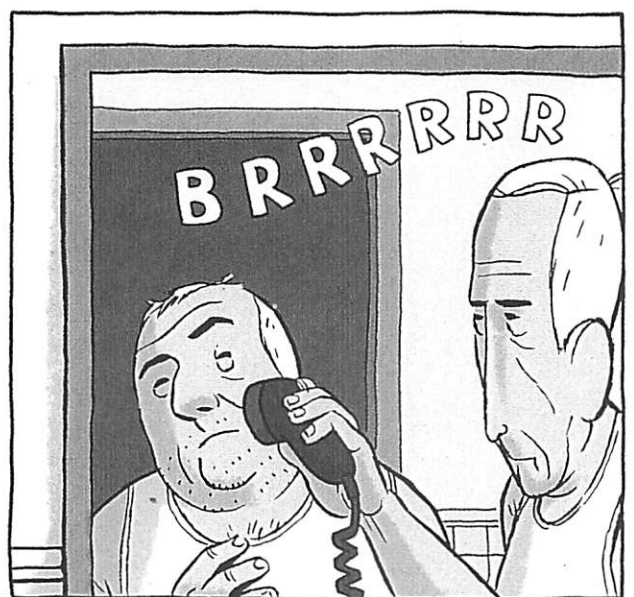
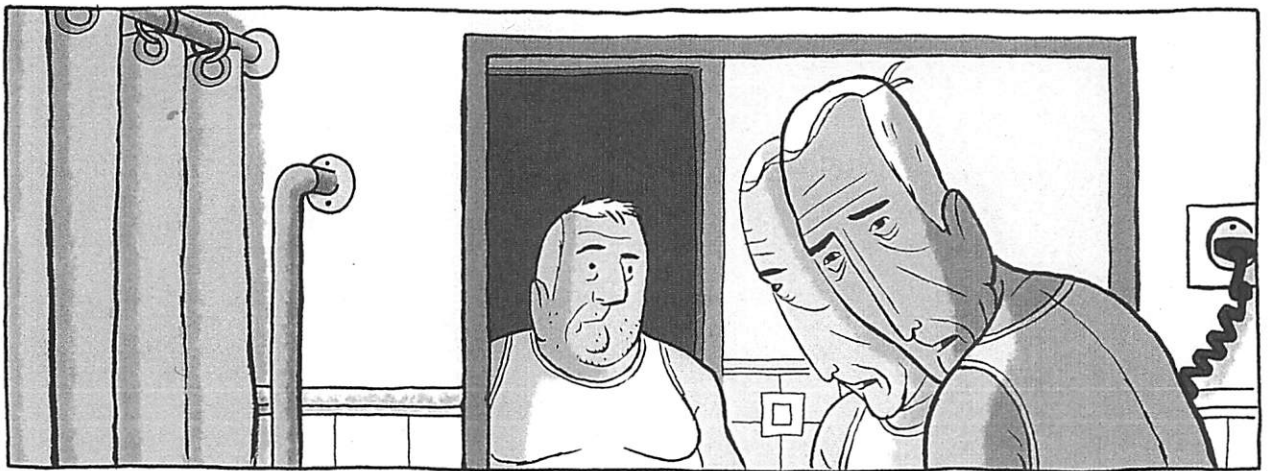


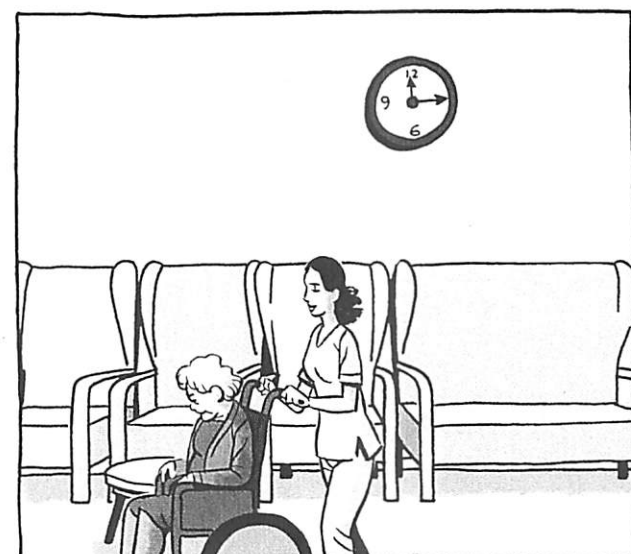
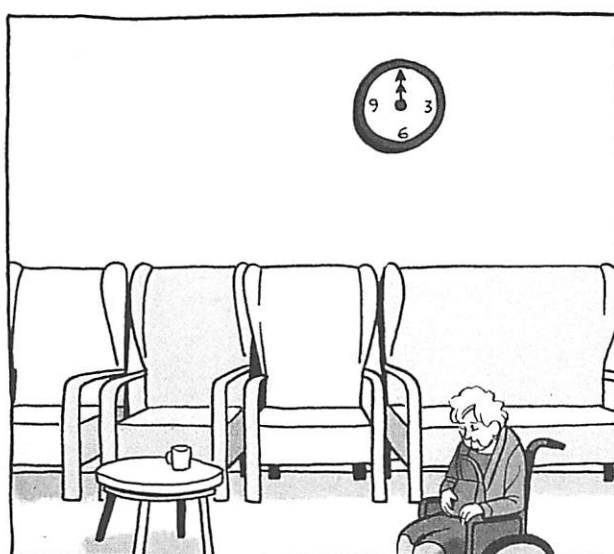
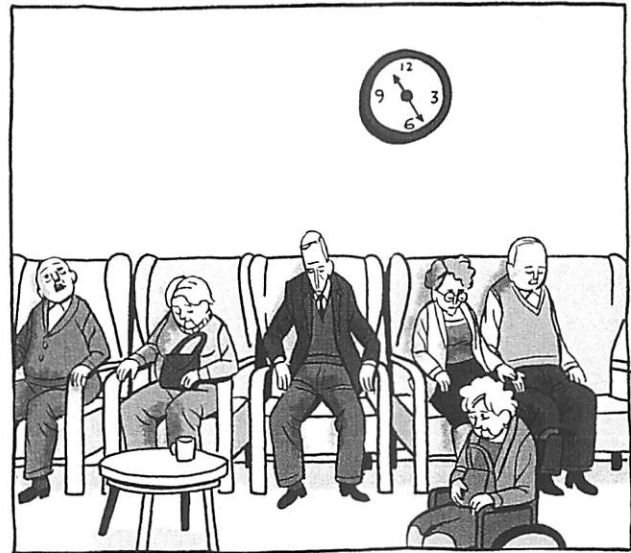
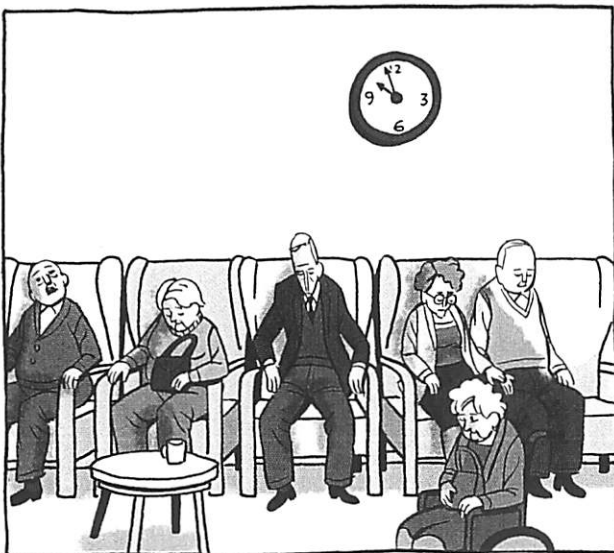
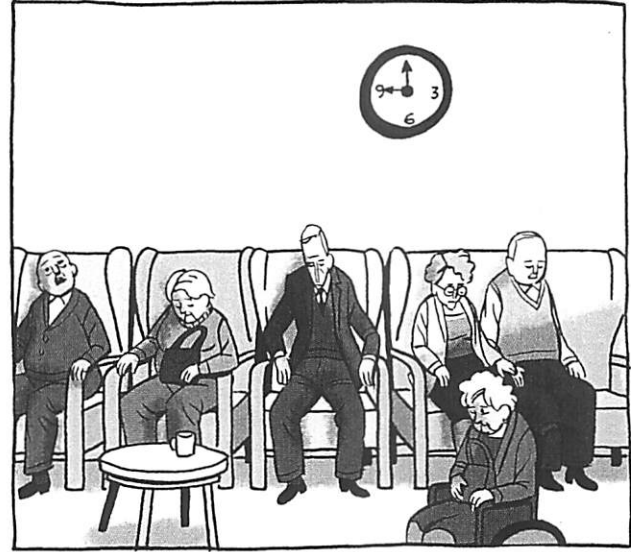
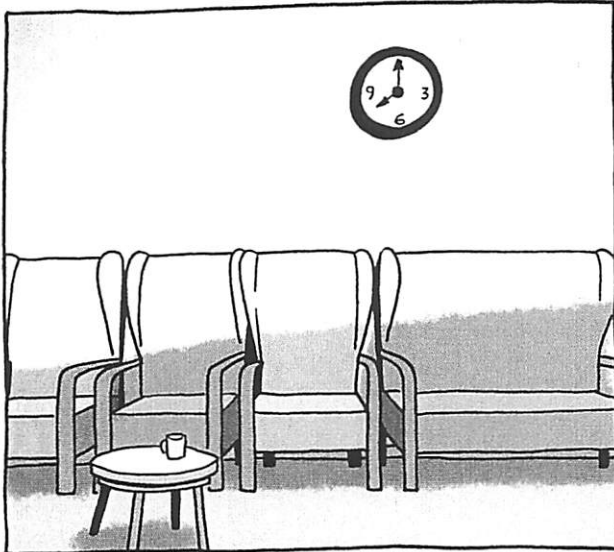
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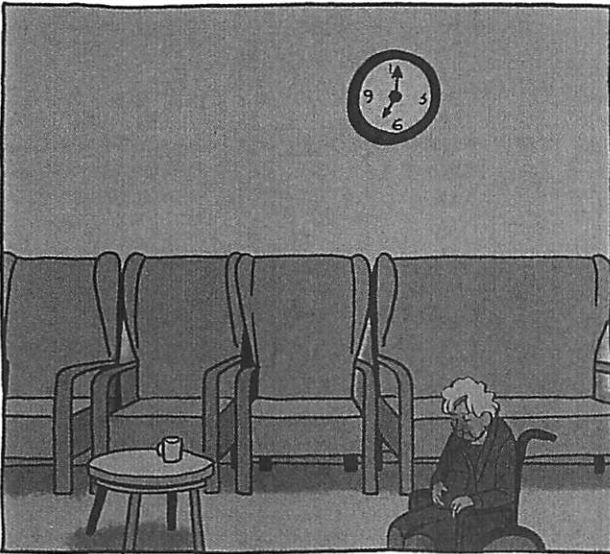
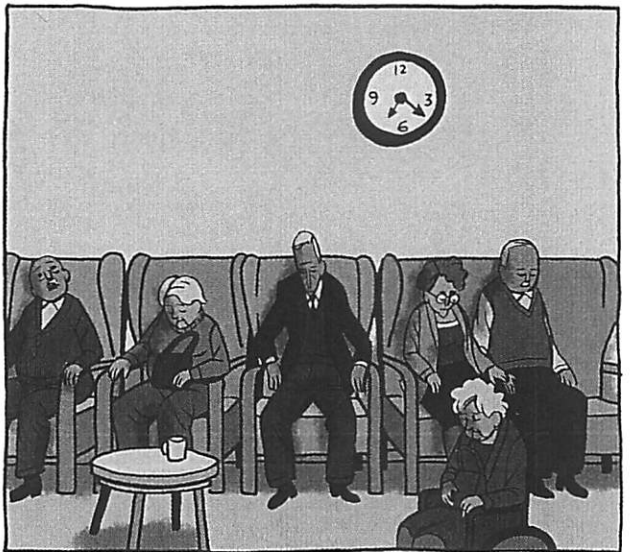
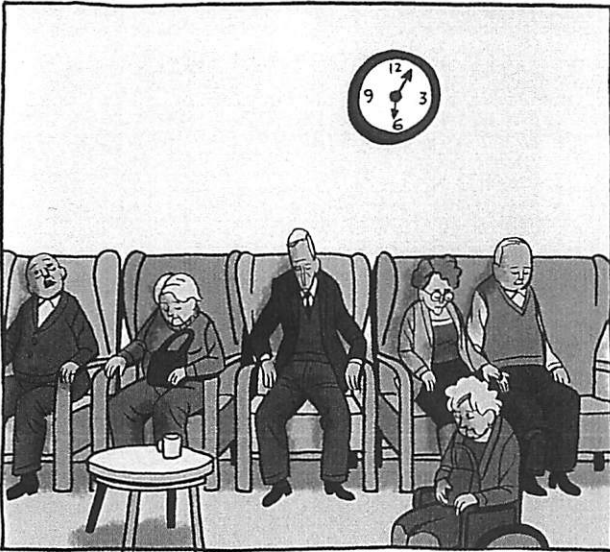
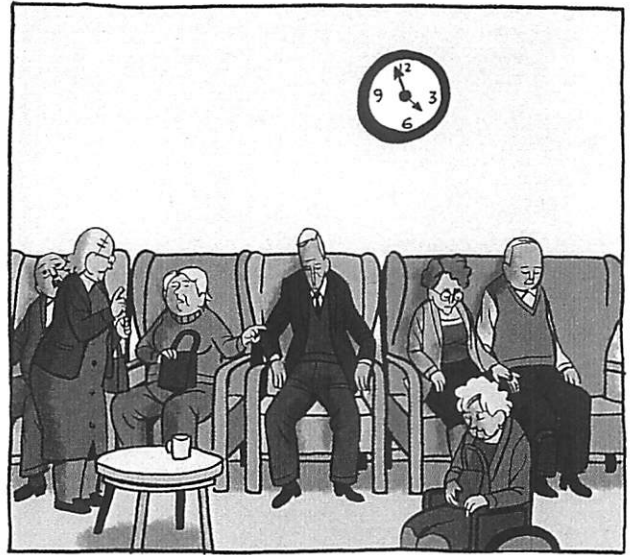
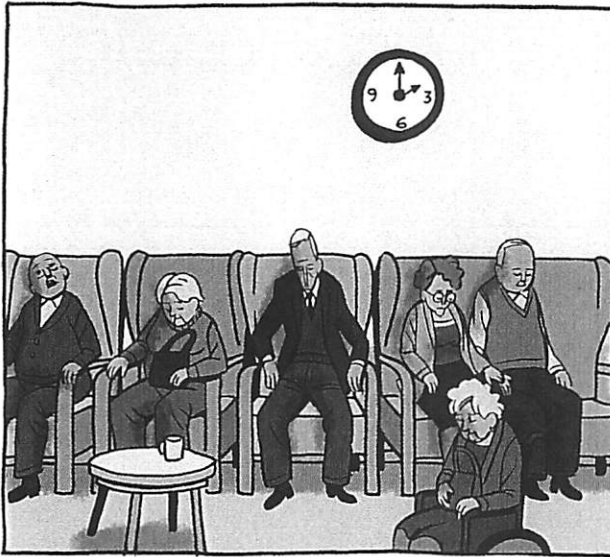


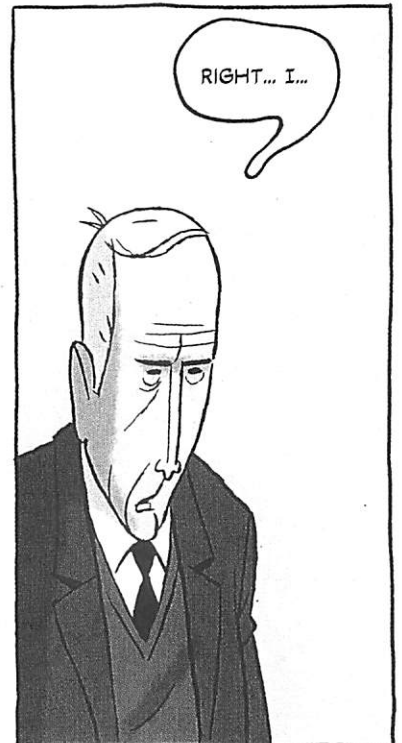
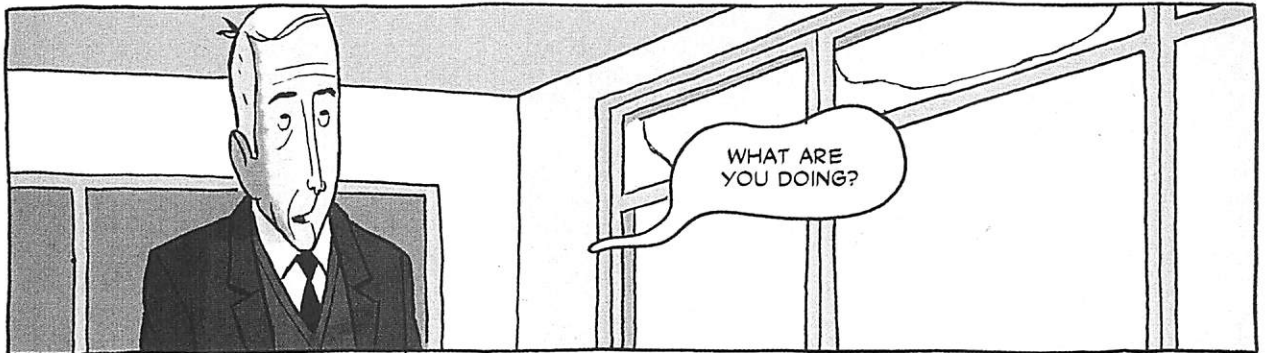


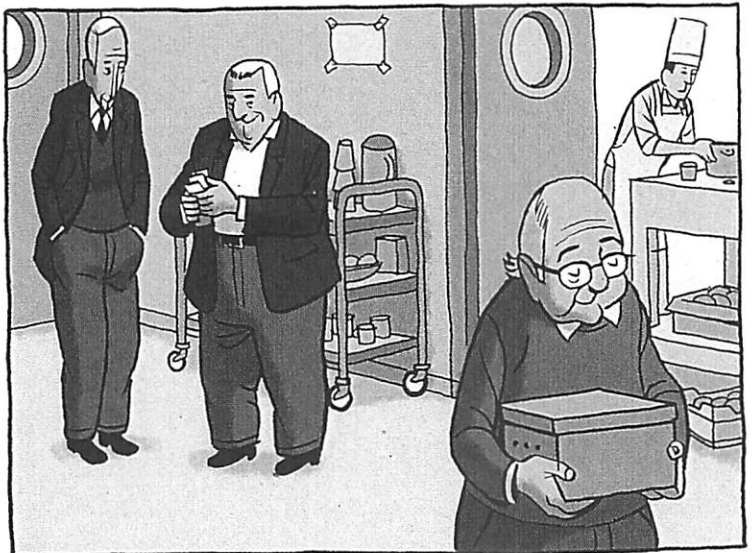
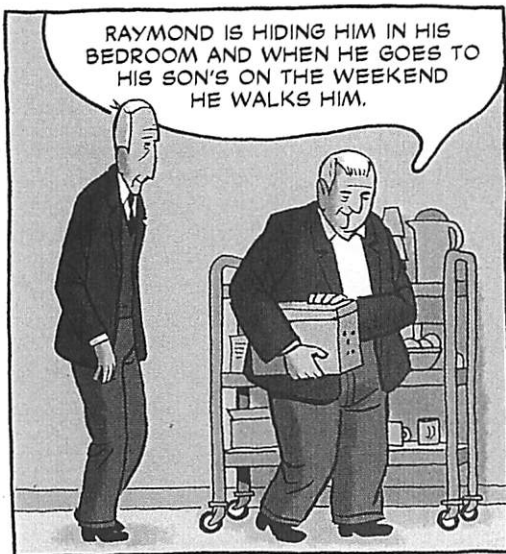
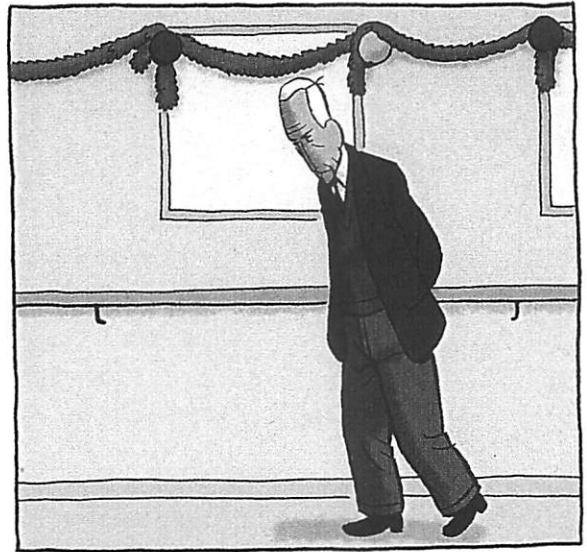
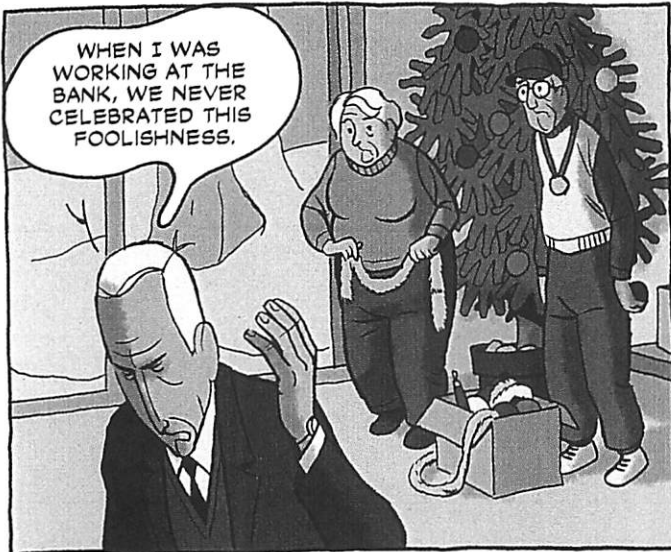


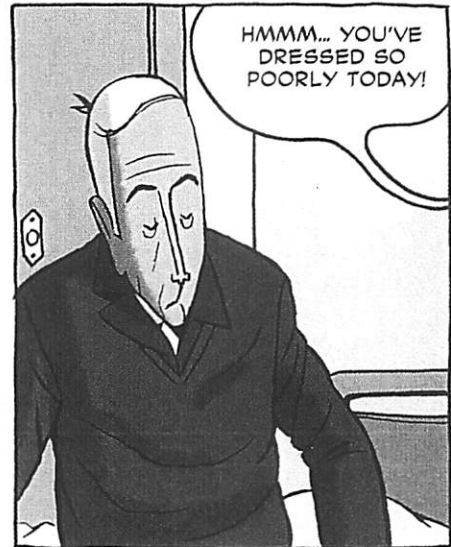


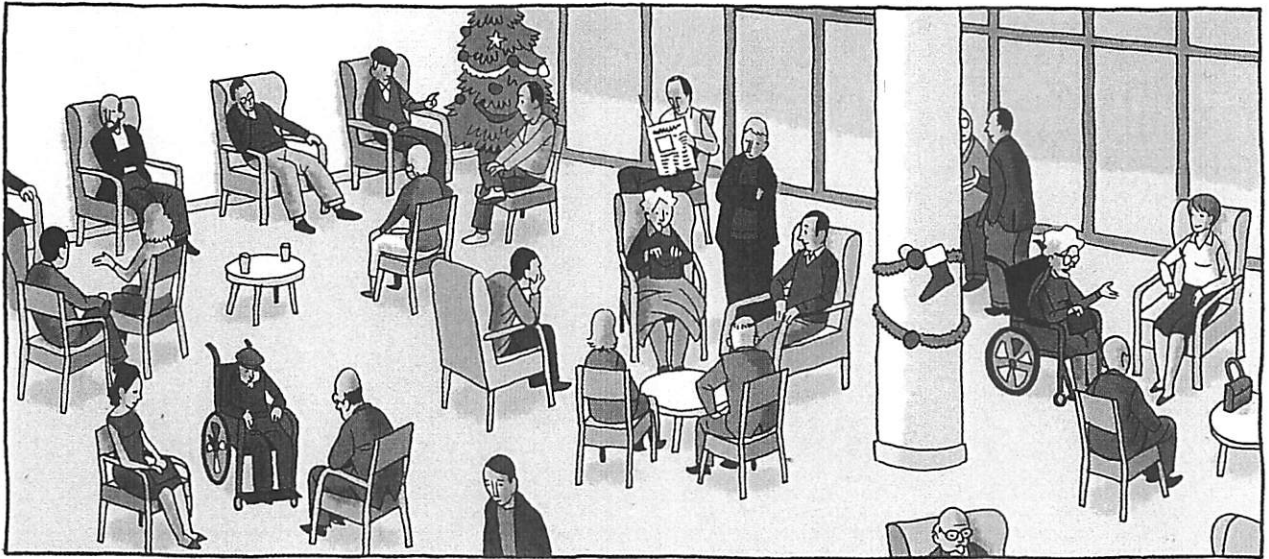
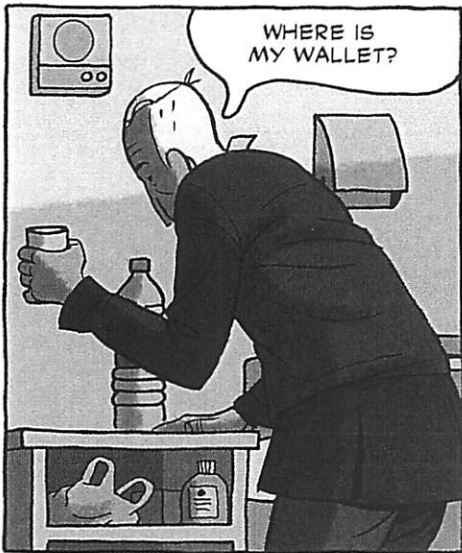
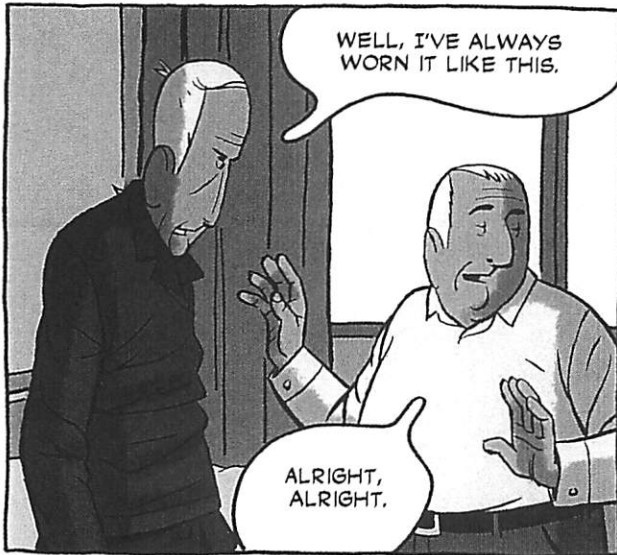


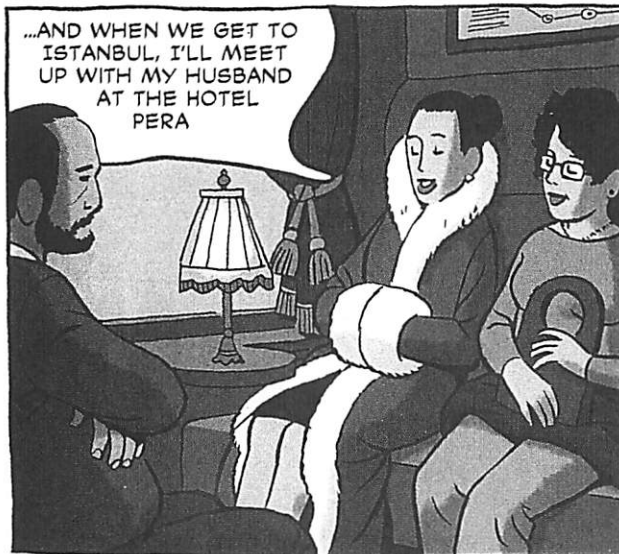
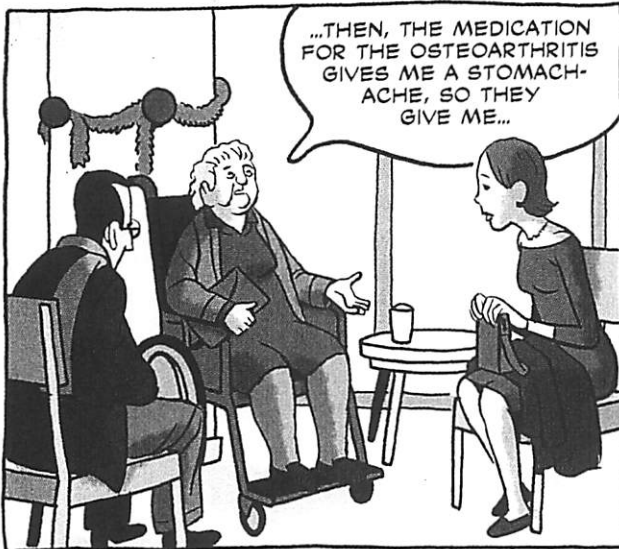










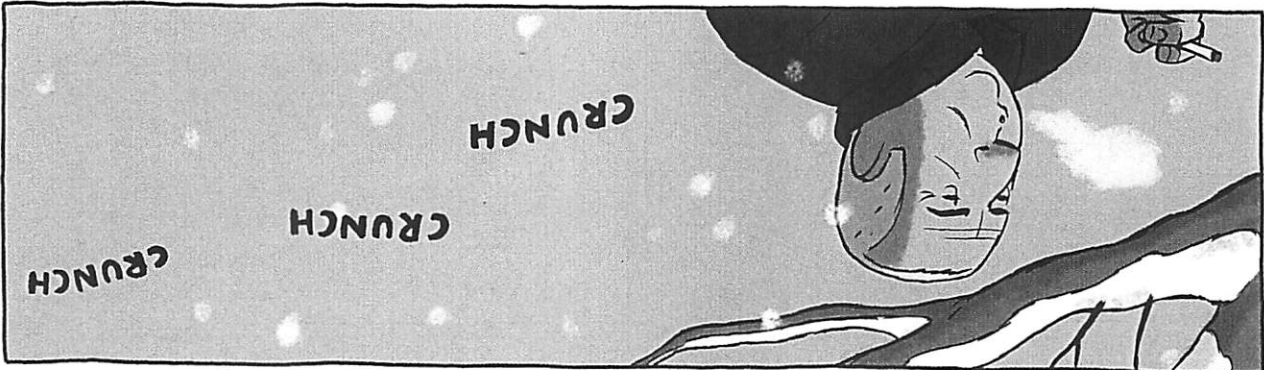




US OLD FOLKS,
WE NEED SO LITTLE
TO BE CONTENT.



LOOK AT HOW YOUR
FACE IS GLOWING!
SO THEN, IT'S ALL
THE SAME TO YOU
WHETHER YOUR
CHILDREN VISIT
OR NOT?



CRUNCH
CRUNCH
CRUNCH



BUT, GRANDMOTHER... WHAT DO YOU
WANT ME TO DO WITH ALL THIS?
HUSH! GUARD THEM
WELL, SO THAT THEY
DON'T TAKE THEM.



I SAVED EVERYTHING
ESPECIALLY FOR YOU, KETCHUP,
THE DELICIOUS OLIVE OIL THAT
THEY GIVE US AT MEALTIMES,
A PIECE OF SOAP, I TOOK IT
FROM THE CASINO WE
WENT TO...

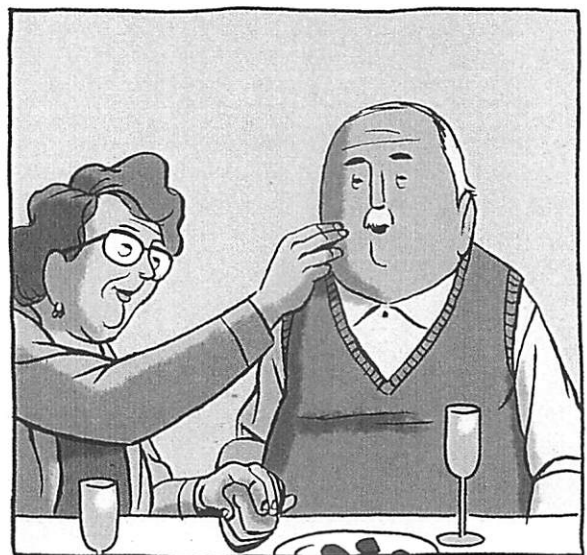
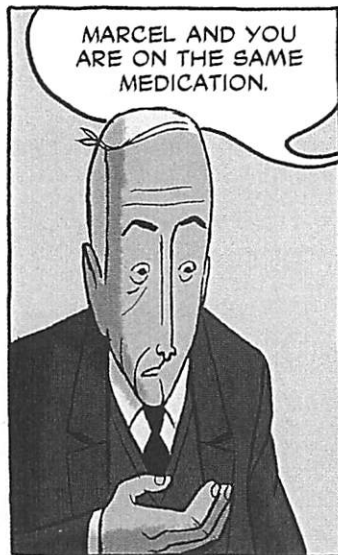
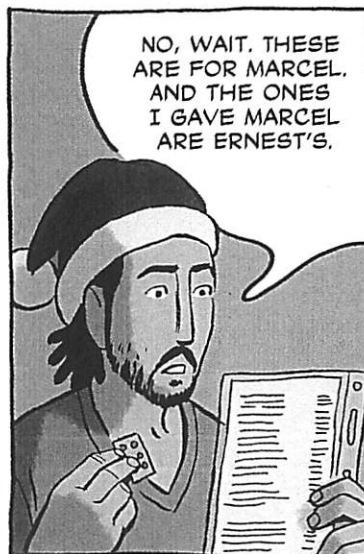
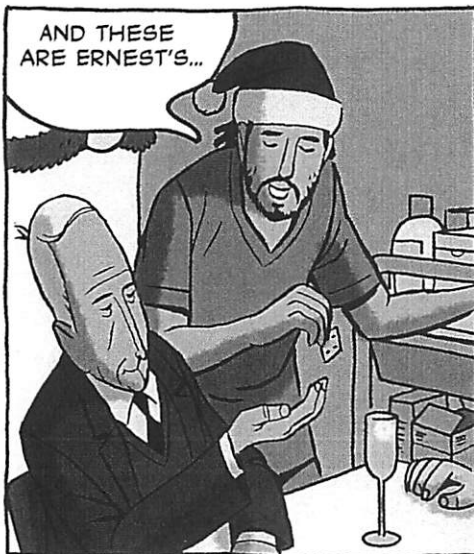


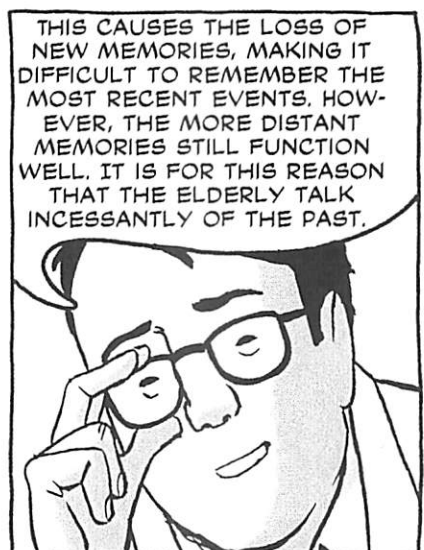
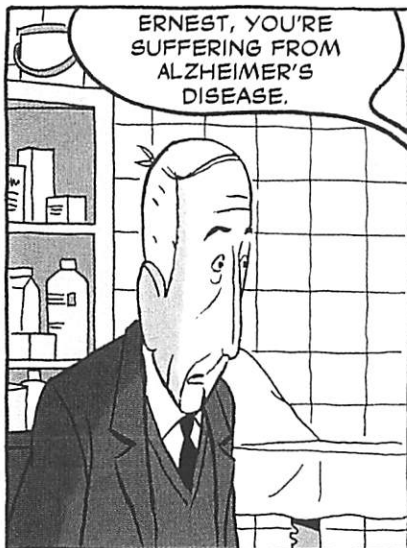
GRANDMOTHER...

CRUNCH... CRUNCH... CRUNCH...

I SAVED EVERYTHING...
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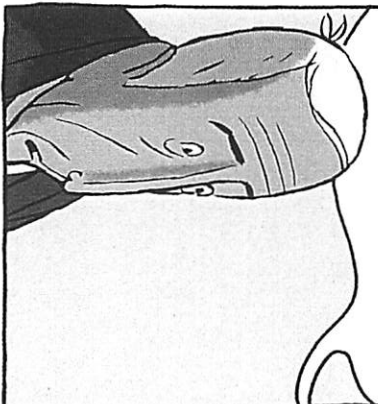








HOWEVER... ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE IS DIFFERENT. FIRST, IT CAN STRIKE EARLIER BUT THE EFFECTS ARE ALSO MORE FAST ACTING AND MORE DEVASTATING...



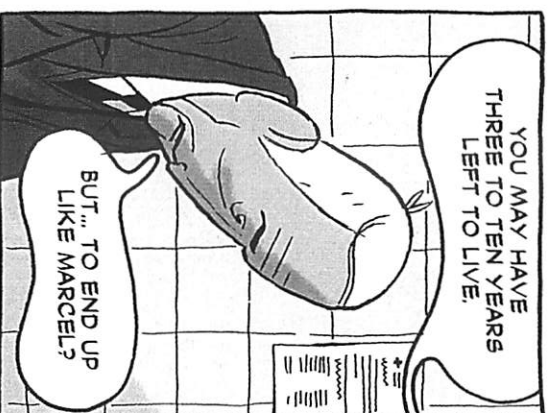
NOT ONLY ARE THE MOST RECENT MEMORIES LOST, BUT ONE LOSES ALL MEMORIES, THE MEANING OF WORDS, ORIENTATION, PHYSICAL CONTROL...



BUT THAT'S NOT THE CASE WITH ME. I ONLY FORGET LITTLE THINGS. I'M NOT LIKE MR. MARCEL.



YOU MAY HAVE THREE TO TEN YEARS LEFT TO LIVE.



BUT... TO END UP LIKE MARCEL?

THE EVIDENCE IS THERE, ERNEST, YOU HAVE THE BEGINNINGS OF ALZHEIMER'S, AND AS I HAVE SAID TO YOU, IT IS RAPID AND DEVASTATING.



HOW RAPID?

EVERY PERSON IS DIFFERENT...



HOW LONG? FIVE YEARS, EIGHT...?

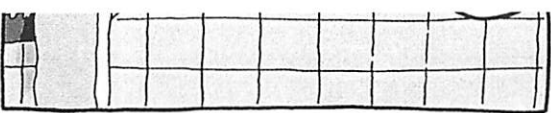
ONE YEAR, MAYBE LESS, BUT I REPEAT THAT EVERY PERSON IS DIFFERENT.

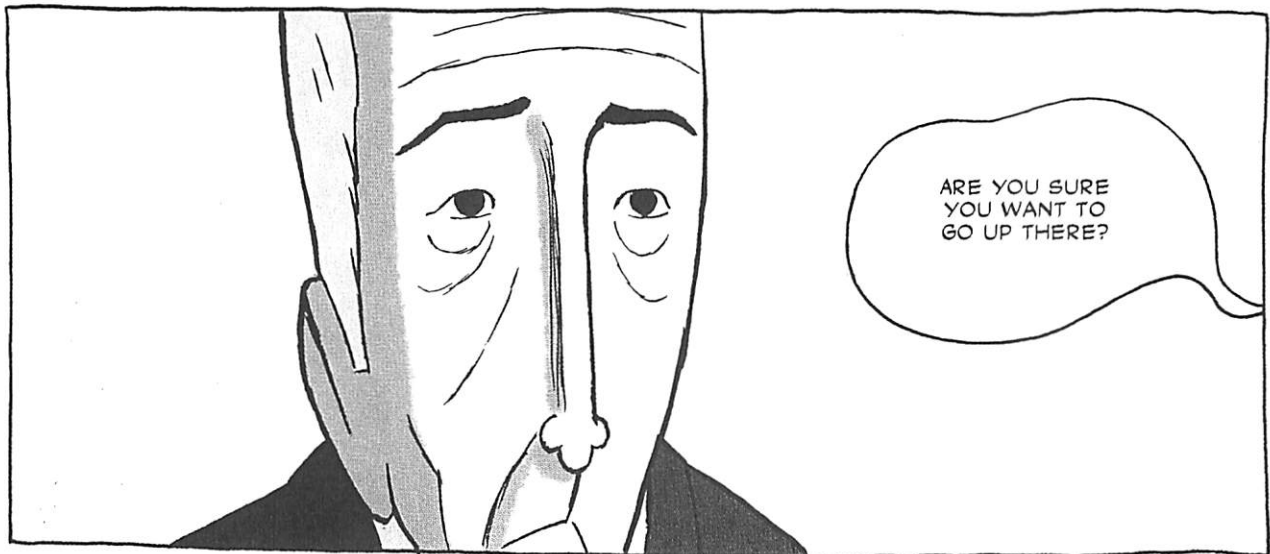
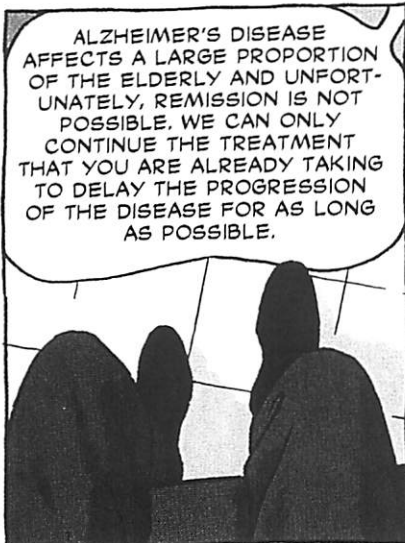


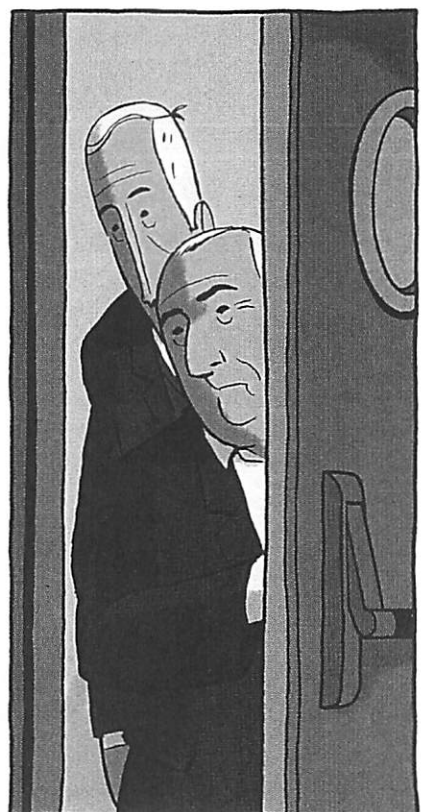
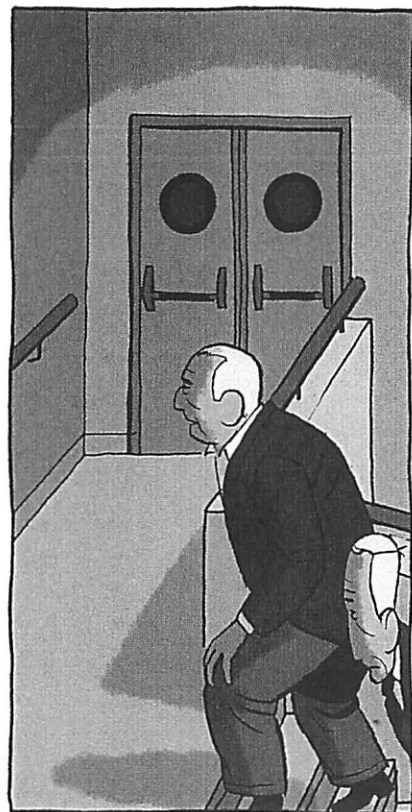
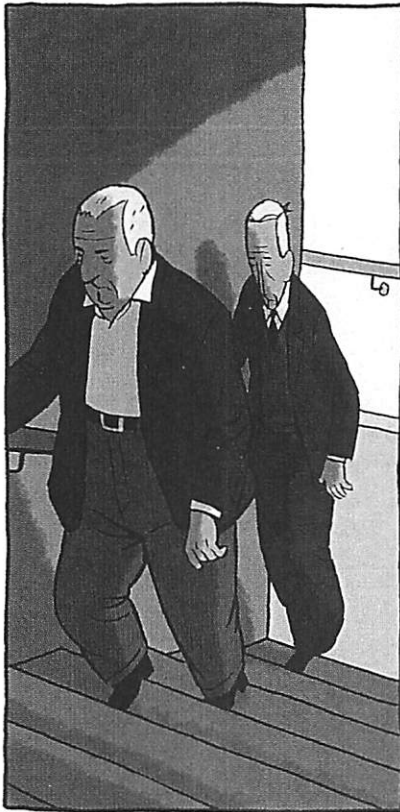
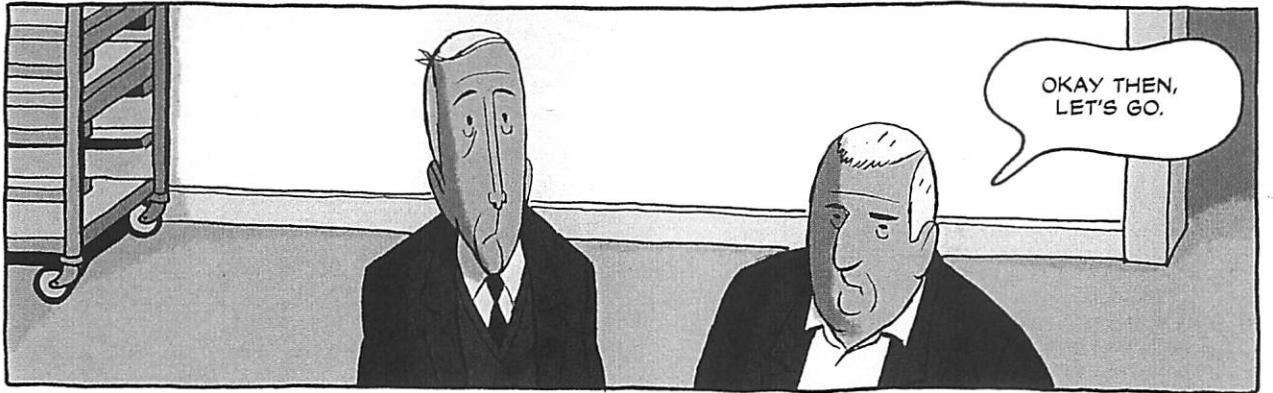
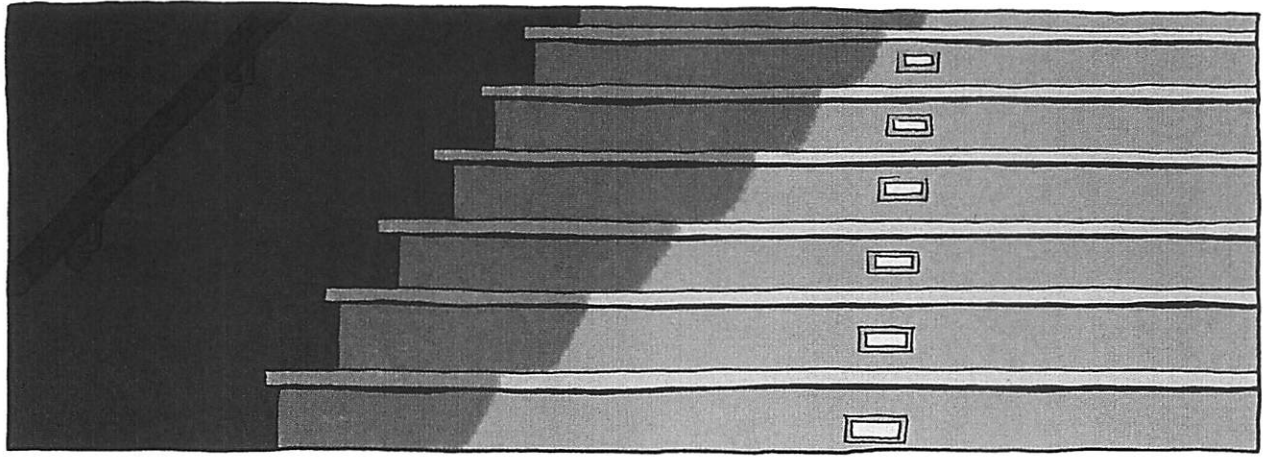
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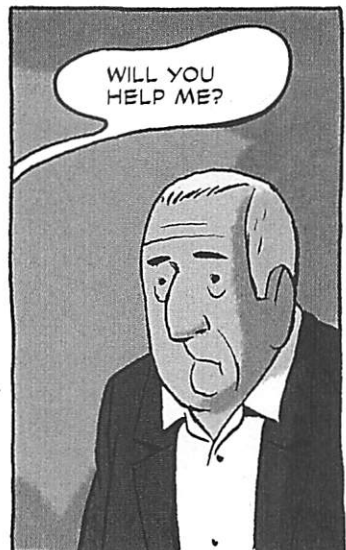
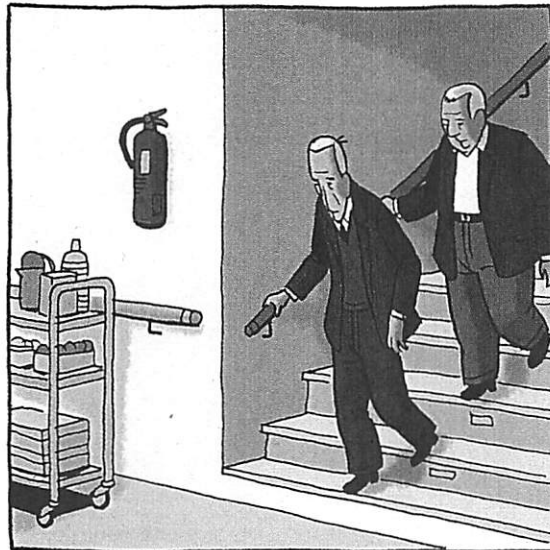
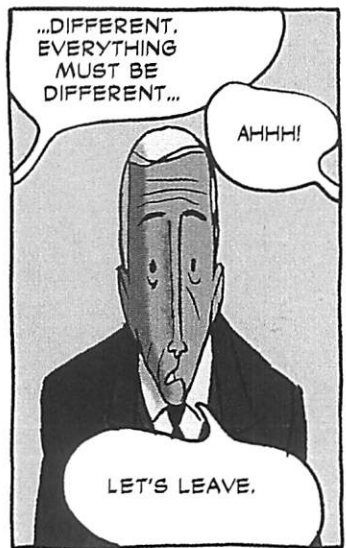
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VERY GOOD.
WHAT DID
YOU READ?



"SHE DIDN'T REALIZE THAT
EVERY STEP SHE TOOK FROM
HER HOME TO SCHOOL,
EVERY CORNER OF THE CITY,
EVERY MOMENT OF THE PAST
EXISTED ONLY
THROUGH
FLORENTINO
ARIZA."



NO PROBLEM.
READ A PARAGRAPH
OUT LOUD.



EH WELL...
IT IS... IT...
I DON'T
REMEMBER
IT VERY WELL
ANYMORE.

AND WHAT'S
THIS BOOK
ABOUT?



I'VE ALWAYS
LIKED READING.

IMPRESSIVE, SO QUICK!
ME, I NEED SEVERAL VISITS
TO THE TOILET TO FINISH
READING THE
SHAMPOO LABEL.

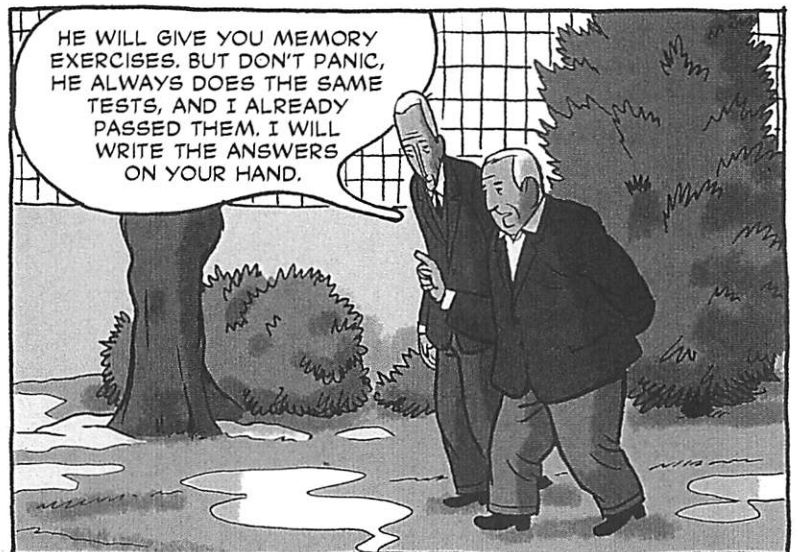
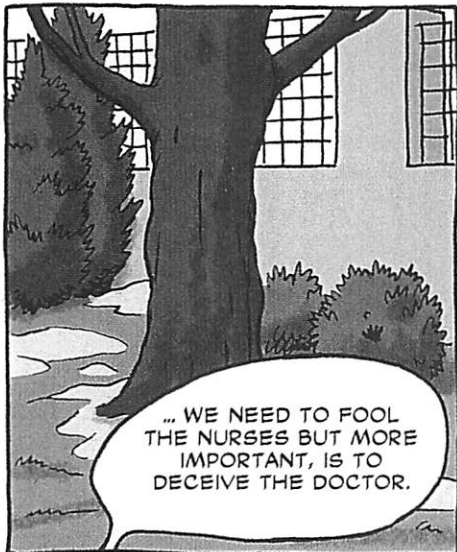
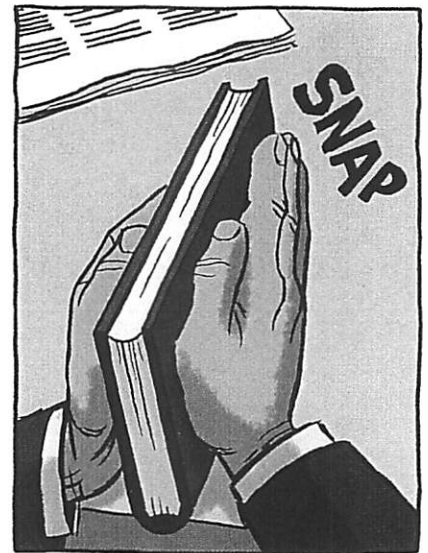
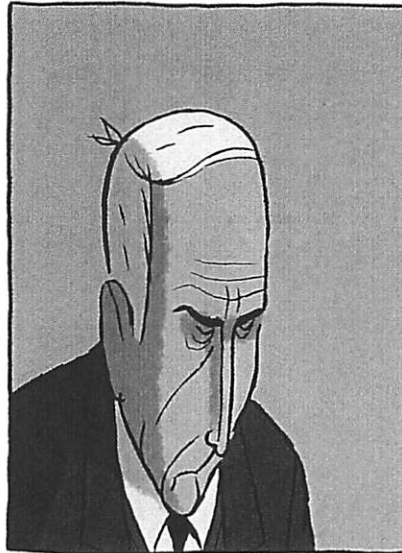
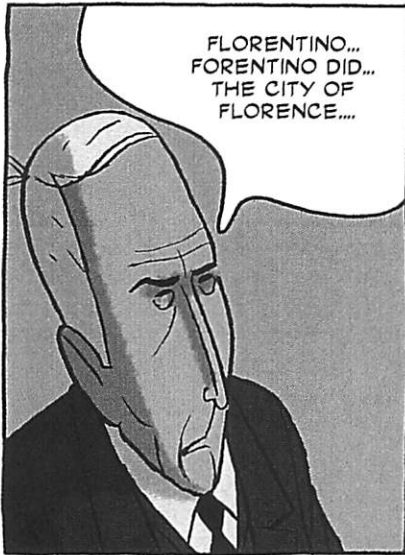


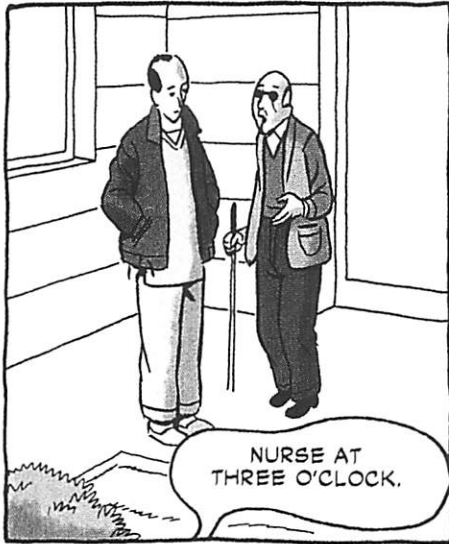
I READ
HALF OF
"LOVE IN
A TIME OF
CHOLERA"

WHAT HAVE YOU
READ SINCE YOU
CAME HERE?



THEY SAY THAT INTELLECTUAL
EXERCISES HELP DELAY
ALZHEIMER'S. WE WILL READ
AN HOUR OR TWO EVERY DAY.





NURSE AT THREE O'CLOCK.



JUST ACT NORMAL.

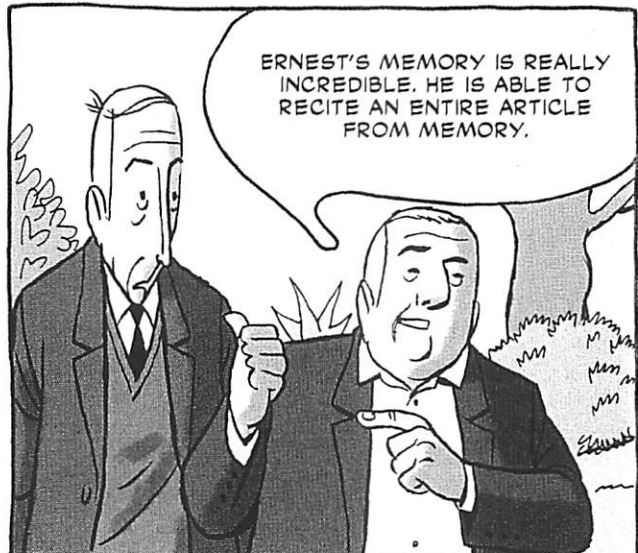


HELLO, ÉMILE. HOW ARE YOU? ERNEST, HOW ARE YOU FEELING TODAY?



VERY GOOD. WE WERE AT... AT.. IN THE ROOM FULL OF...

WE WERE IN THE LIBRARY READING AND DISCUSSING THE LATEST NEWSPAPERS.



ERNEST'S MEMORY IS REALLY INCREDIBLE. HE IS ABLE TO RECITE AN ENTIRE ARTICLE FROM MEMORY.

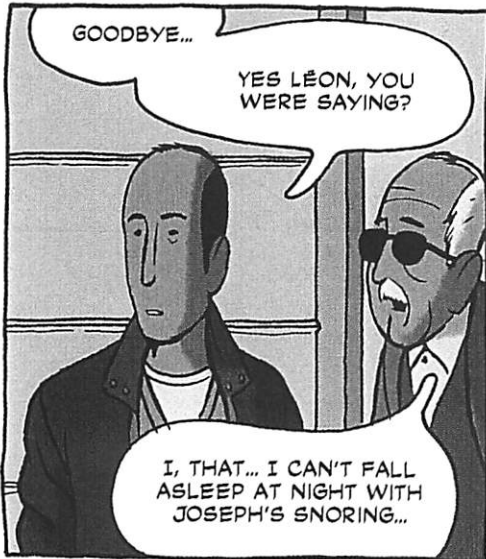


REALLY? IMPRESSIVE.

YES... ACTUALLY, HAVING WORKED IN A... IN... WHERE THEY HAVE MONEY IN A...



WE HAVE TO BE GOING; OTHERWISE WE WILL BE LATE... WE'LL BE LATE FOR OUR NAPS.



GOODBYE...

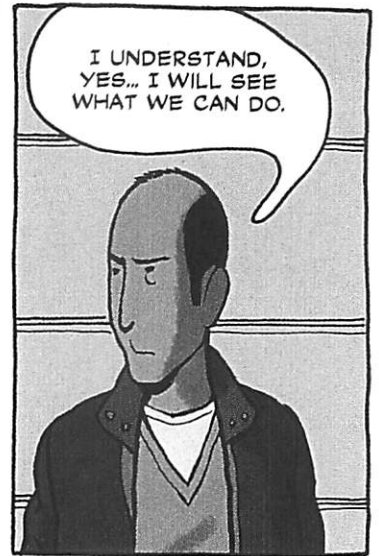
YES LÉON, YOU WERE SAYING?

I, THAT... I CAN'T FALL ASLEEP AT NIGHT WITH JOSEPH'S SNORING...



BUT... WHERE ARE YOU GOING? IT'S OVER HERE...

AH, YES.



I UNDERSTAND, YES... I WILL SEE WHAT WE CAN DO.



I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY ALWAYS SERVE US SO LITTLE FOOD.

BUT TODAY THE CHICKEN BREAST IS REALLY GOOD.



BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO CUT.



WAITER!



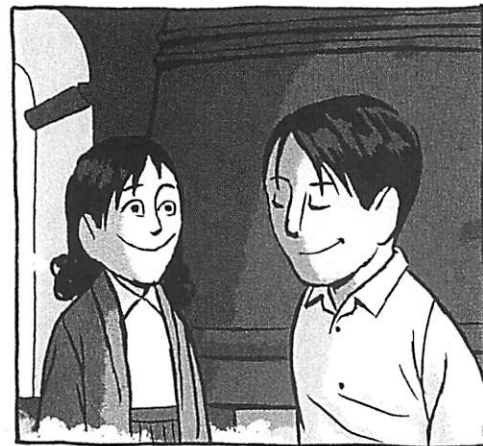
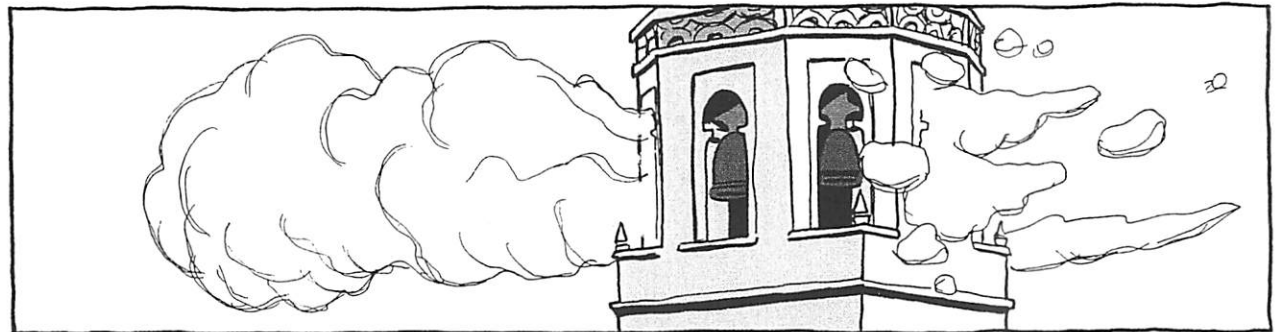
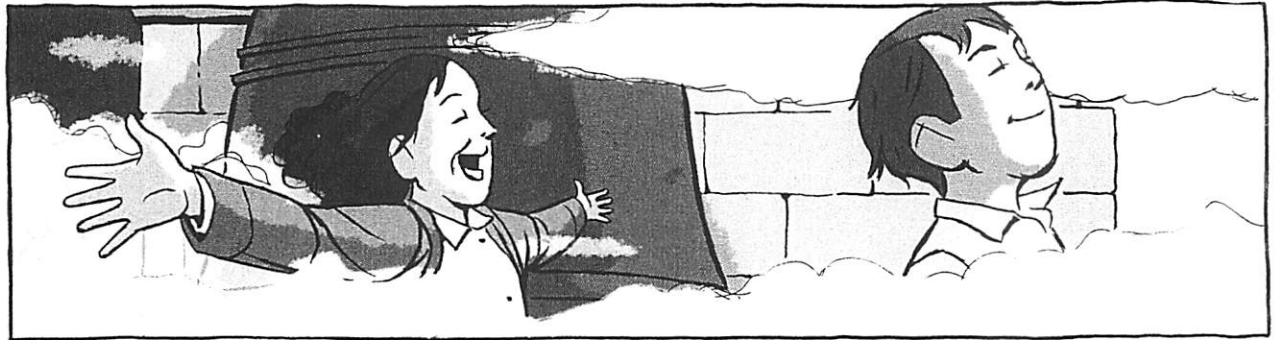
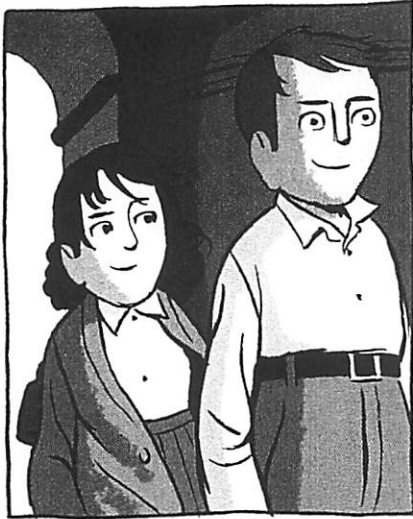
WHAT AM I GOING TO DO, THIS KNIFE DOESN'T CUT.



WELL, THIS KNIFE...

WHAT IS IT, ERNEST?

ERNEST WANTED TO ASK IF FROM NOW ON HE COULD JUST EAT SANDWICHES.



GET US INTO A MUDDLE.

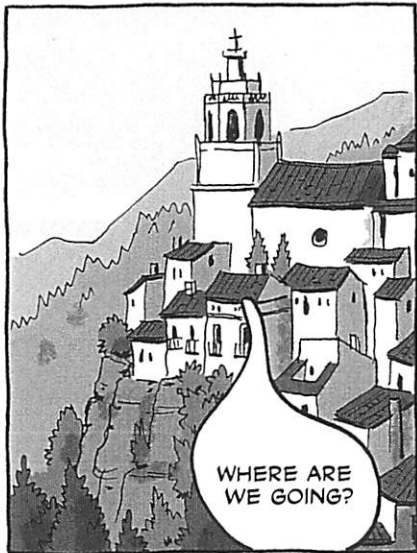


YOU WANT TO BE MY FRIEND?



ONLY IF YOU BRING ME A CLOUD

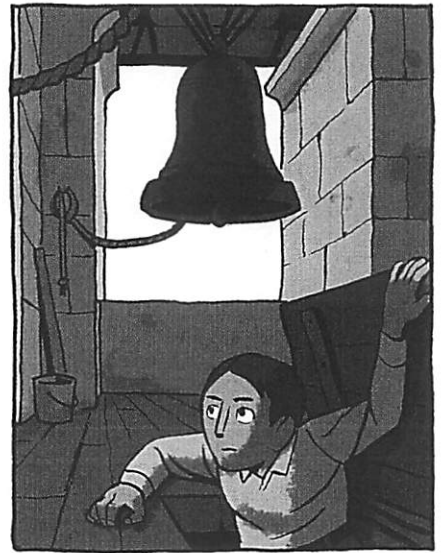
ETTE, DO YOU MARCEL TAKE FILE?



WHERE ARE WE GOING?



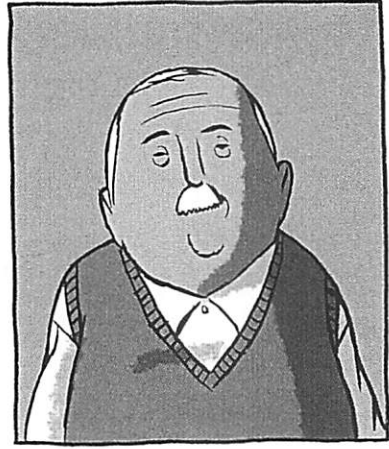
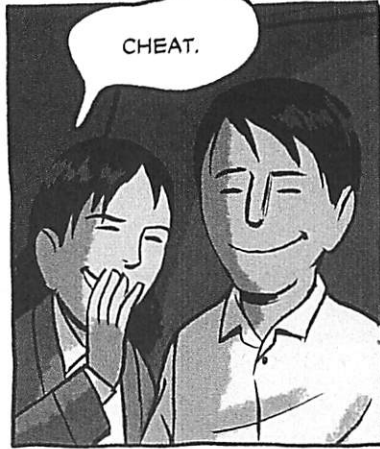
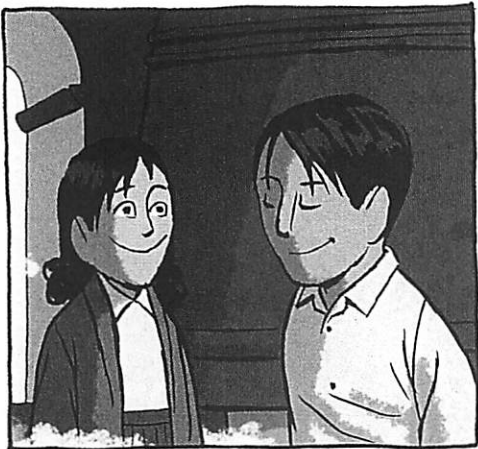
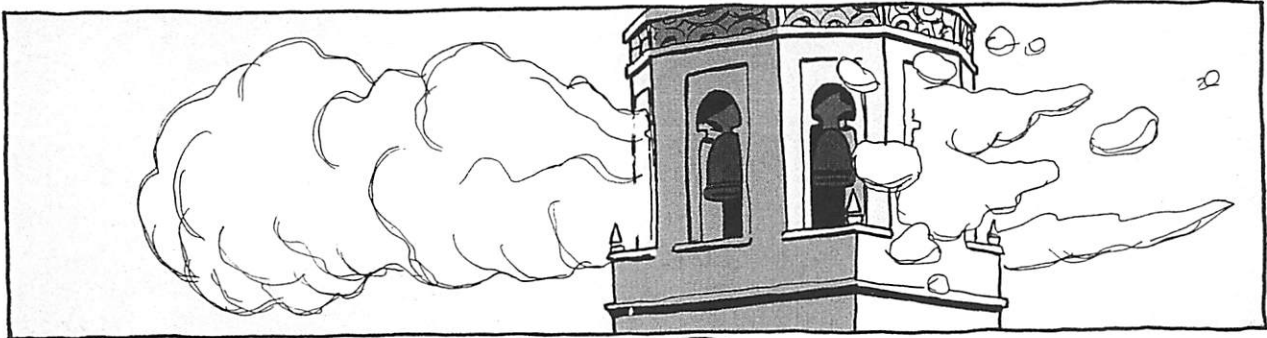
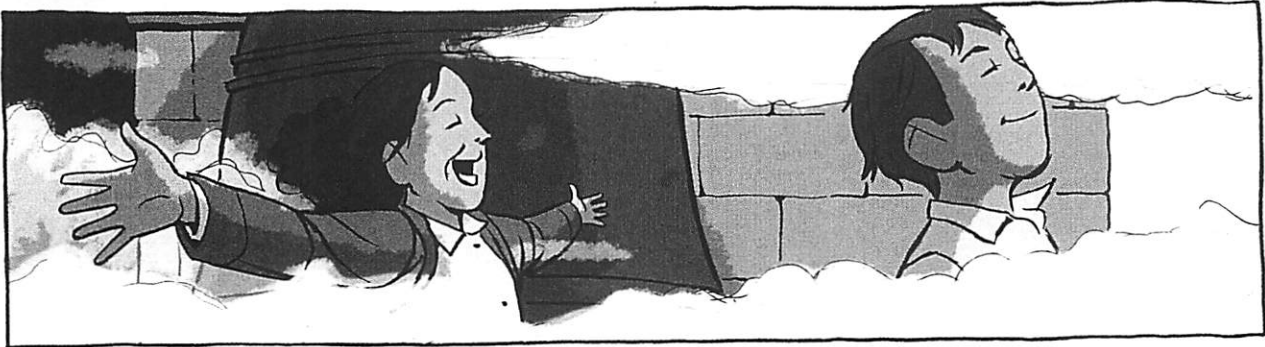
ARE YOU GOING TO TELL ME WHERE WE'RE GOING?

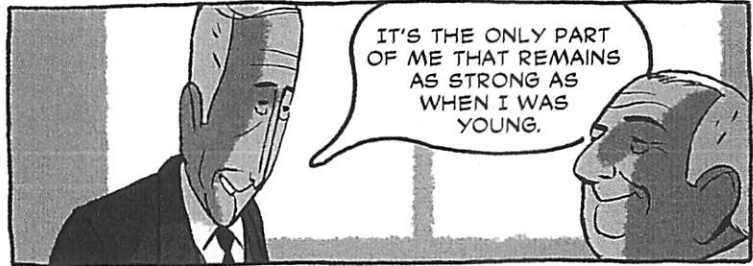
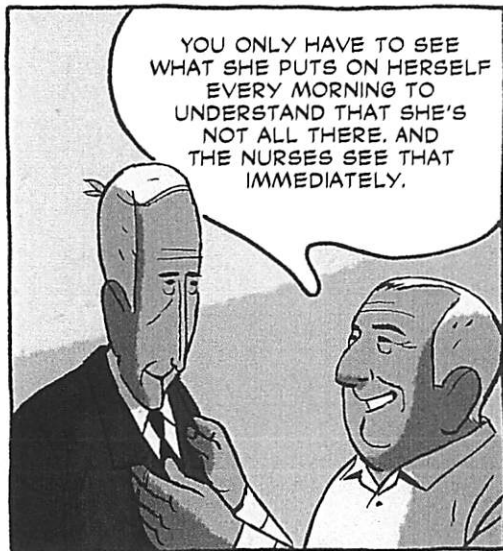


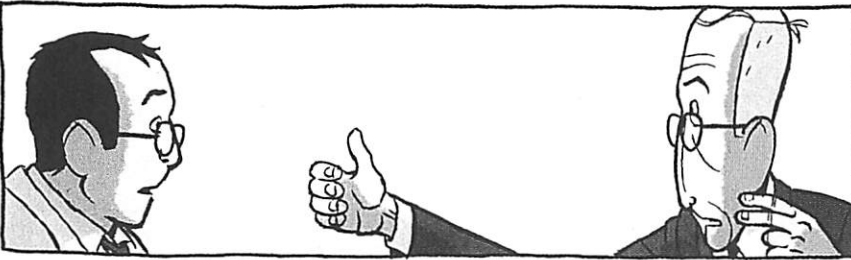
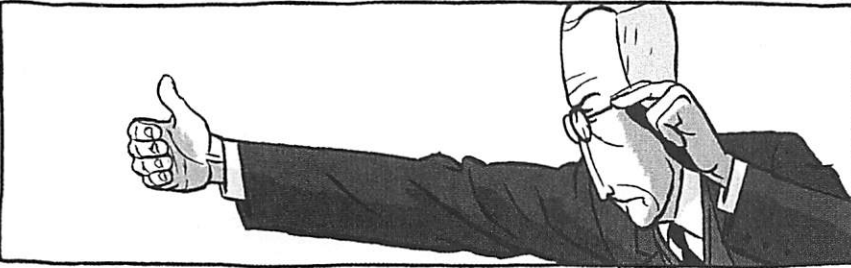
COME ON.



IT'S COMING.









DINNER!
DINNER!
DINNER!

HUHN...?
WHAT...?
IT'S ALREADY
DINNERTIME?



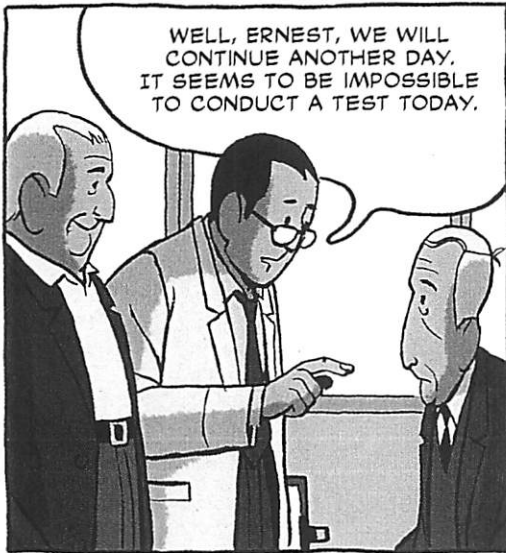
NO EUGÈNE,
IT'S 10 O'CLOCK
IN THE MORNING.

SORRY?



SORRY TO INTERRUPT DOCTOR.
THÉOPHILE IS WALKING AROUND
WITH HIS EURO DISNEY CAP
AND HIS PHOTO OF
SINATRA.

BUT IT'S NOT
POSSIBLE... HE'S
AT IT AGAIN...

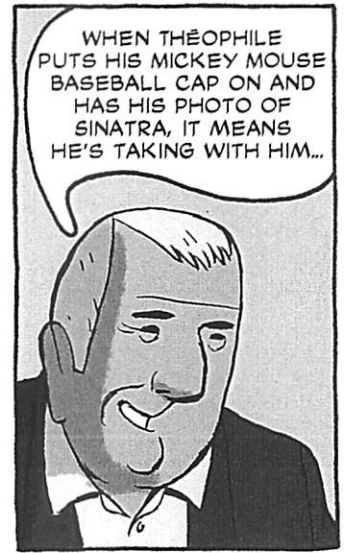


WELL, ERNEST, WE WILL
CONTINUE ANOTHER DAY.
IT SEEMS TO BE IMPOSSIBLE
TO CONDUCT A TEST TODAY.

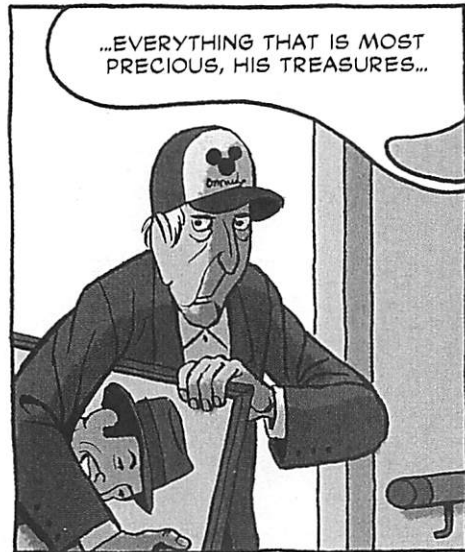


TEST SUCCESSFUL.

WHAT'S
GOING
ON WITH
THÉOPHILE?



WHEN THÉOPHILE
PUTS HIS MICKEY MOUSE
BASEBALL CAP ON AND
HAS HIS PHOTO OF
SINATRA, IT MEANS
HE'S TAKING WITH HIM...

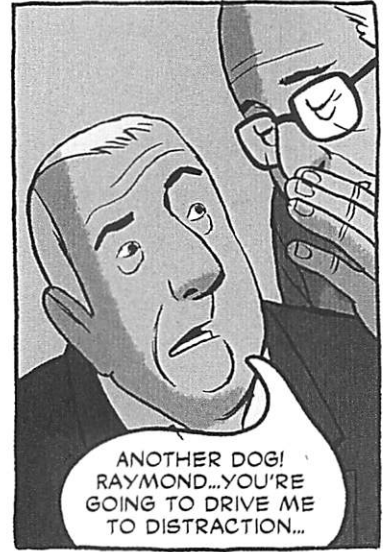


...EVERYTHING THAT IS MOST
PRECIOUS, HIS TREASURES...



WHEN HE'S GOT
THEM WITH HIM
IT MEANS THAT
HE INTENDS
TO RUN
AWAY

MORNING
ERNEST,
ÉMILE...



ANOTHER DOG!
RAYMOND... YOU'RE
GOING TO DRIVE ME
TO DISTRACTION...



AREN'T GEORGETTE AND MARCEL EATING WITH US TODAY?



ARE THEY ENROLLED IN A DANCE CONTEST OR SOMETHING OF THAT SORT?



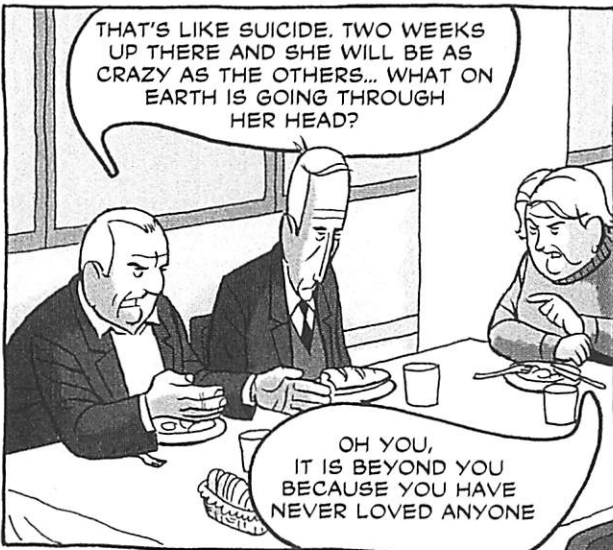
THEY WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE FIRST FLOOR THIS MORNING.



MARCEL'S CONDITION WORSENERD AND GEORGETTE COULD NO LONGER TAKE CARE OF HIM ON HER OWN.

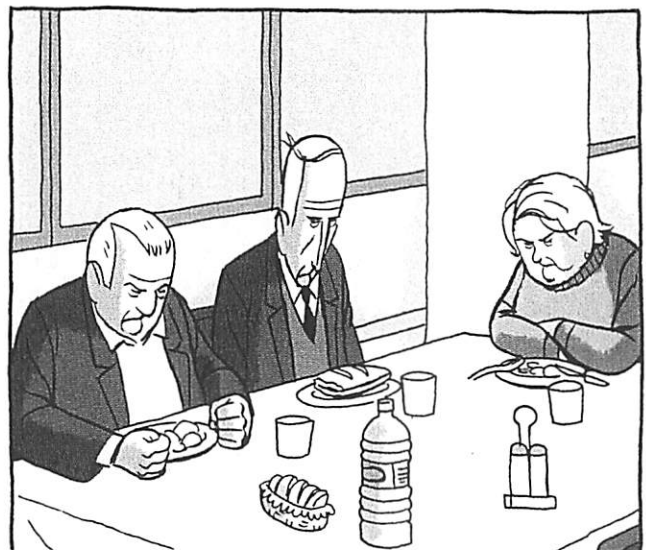


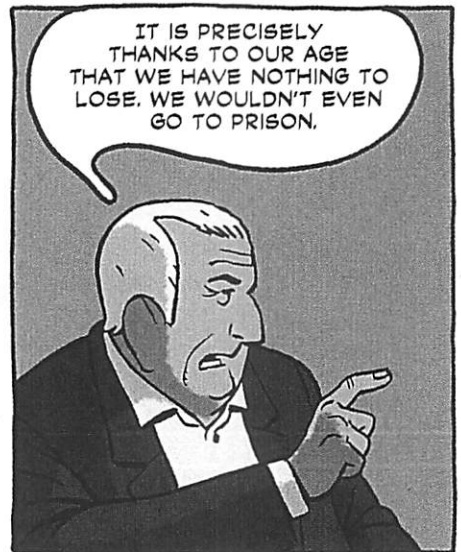
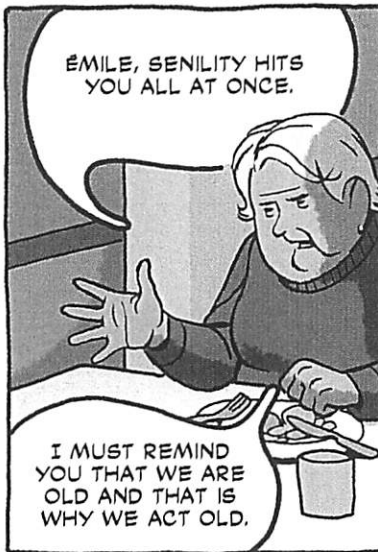
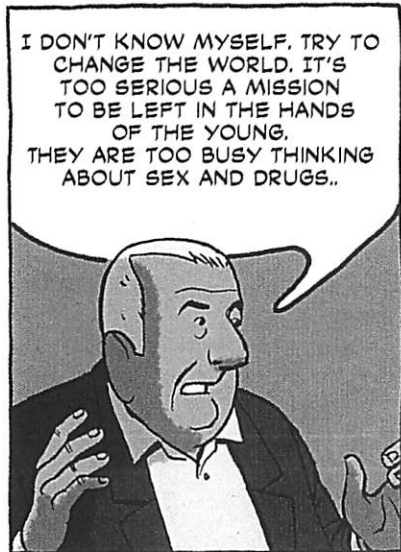
GEORGETTE HAS GONE WITH HIM TO THE HELPLESS CASES FLOOR?



THAT'S LIKE SUICIDE. TWO WEEKS UP THERE AND SHE WILL BE AS CRAZY AS THE OTHERS... WHAT ON EARTH IS GOING THROUGH HER HEAD?

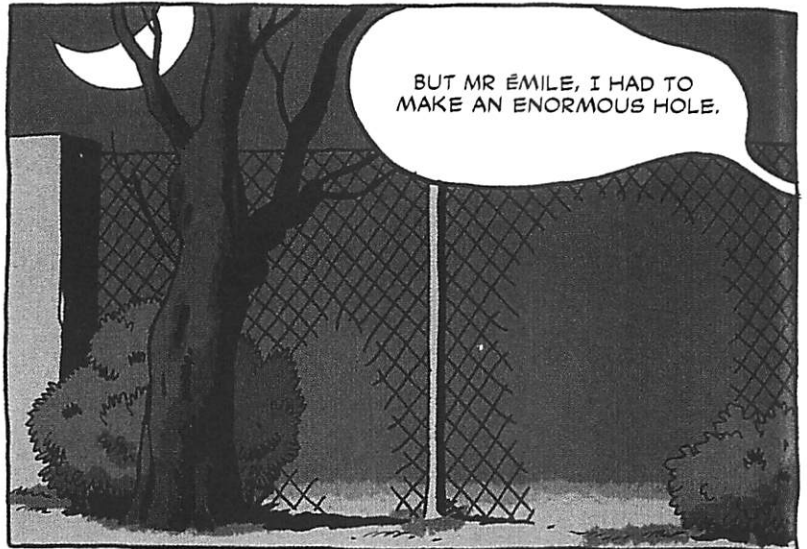
OH YOU, IT IS BEYOND YOU BECAUSE YOU HAVE NEVER LOVED ANYONE



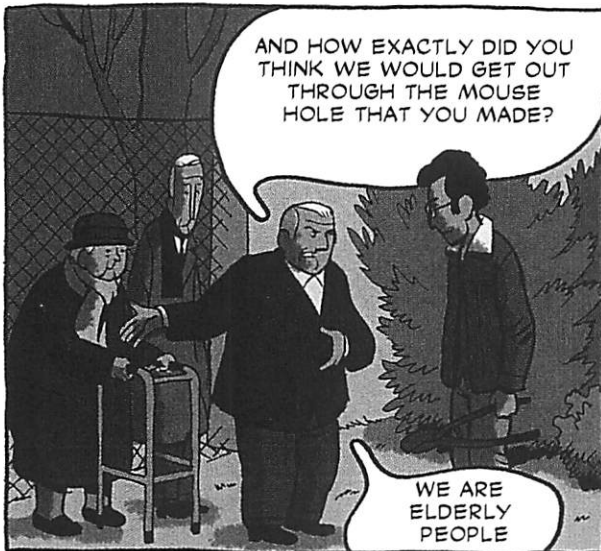




NO GORDON
I'M NOT PAYING
YOU ONE
EURO MORE.

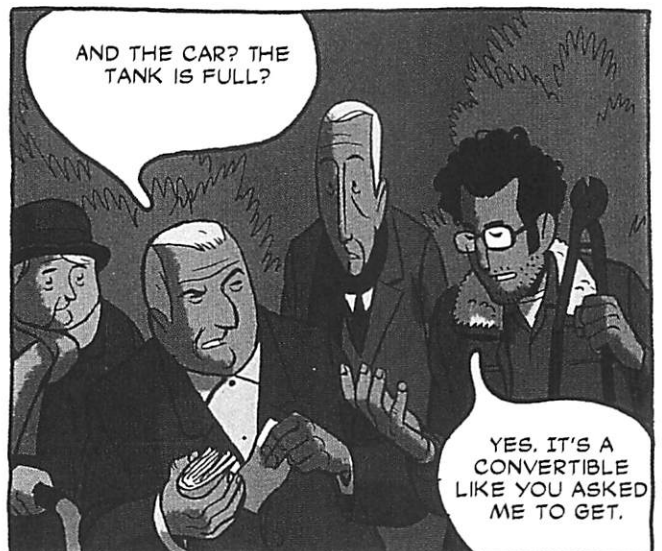


BUT MR ÉMILE, I HAD TO
MAKE AN ENORMOUS HOLE.



AND HOW EXACTLY DID YOU
THINK WE WOULD GET OUT
THROUGH THE MOUSE
HOLE THAT YOU MADE?

WE ARE
ELDERLY
PEOPLE



AND THE CAR? THE
TANK IS FULL?

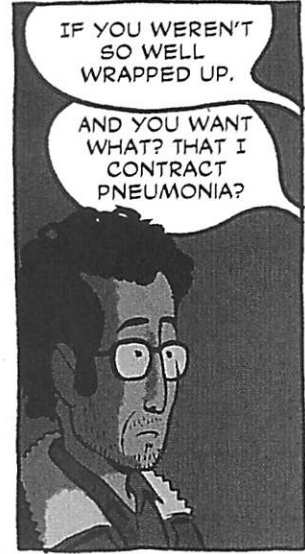
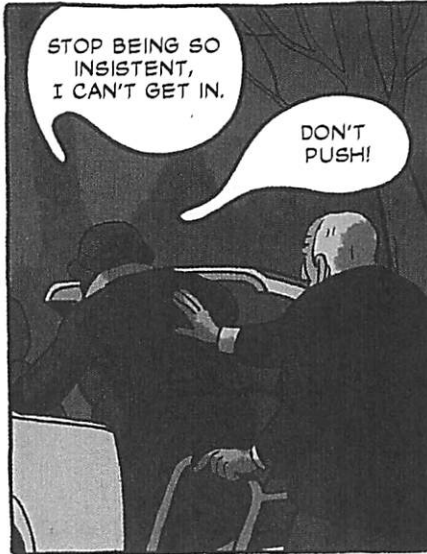
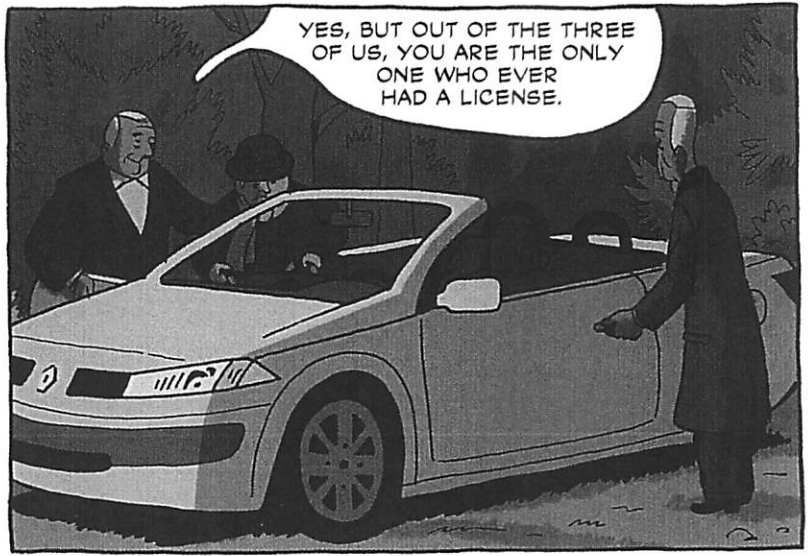
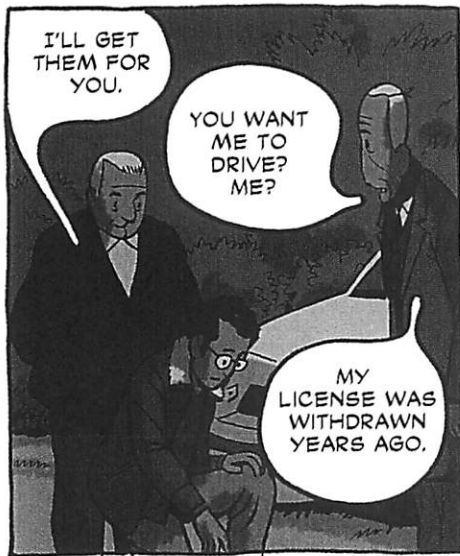
YES. IT'S A
CONVERTIBLE
LIKE YOU ASKED
ME TO GET.

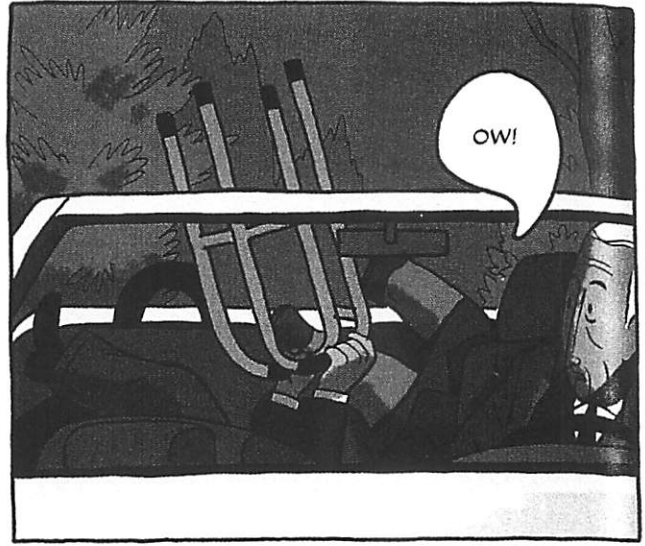


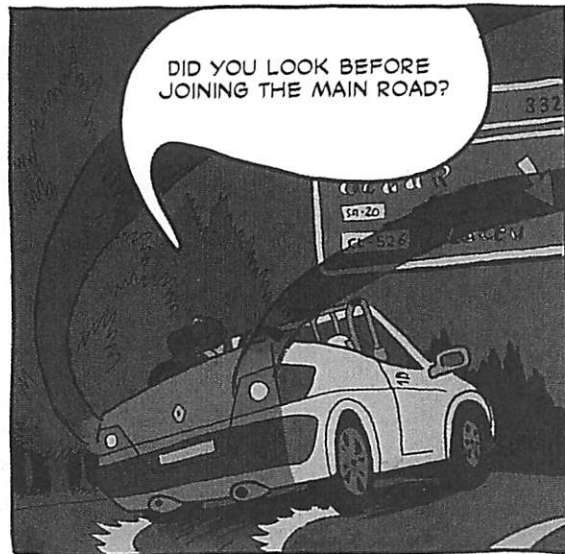
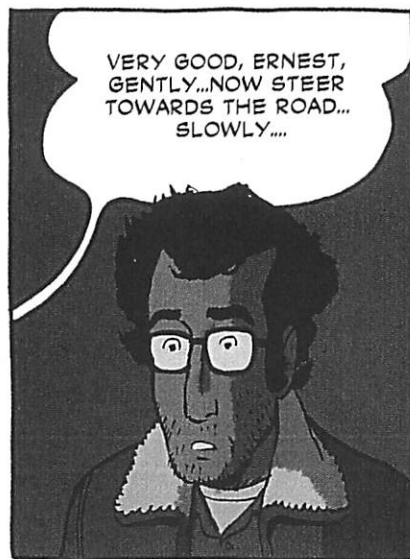
GORDON...
I TOLD YOU RED,
YOU SON OF...

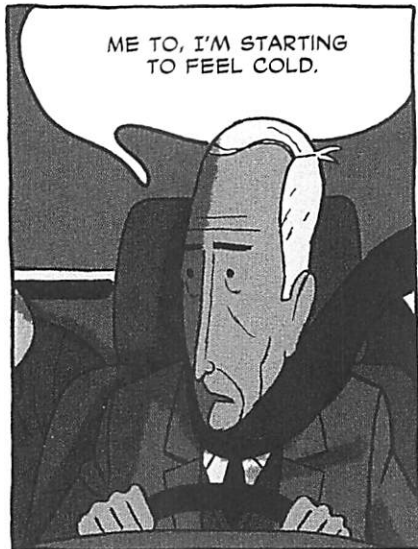
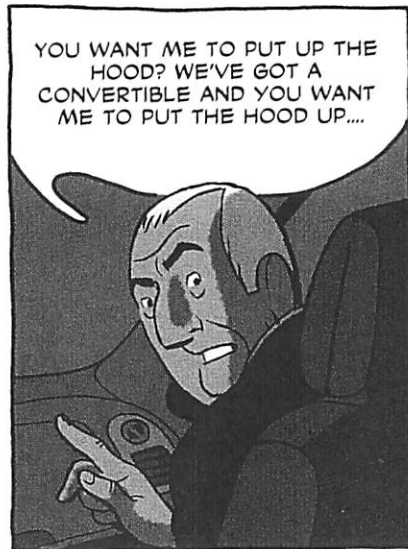
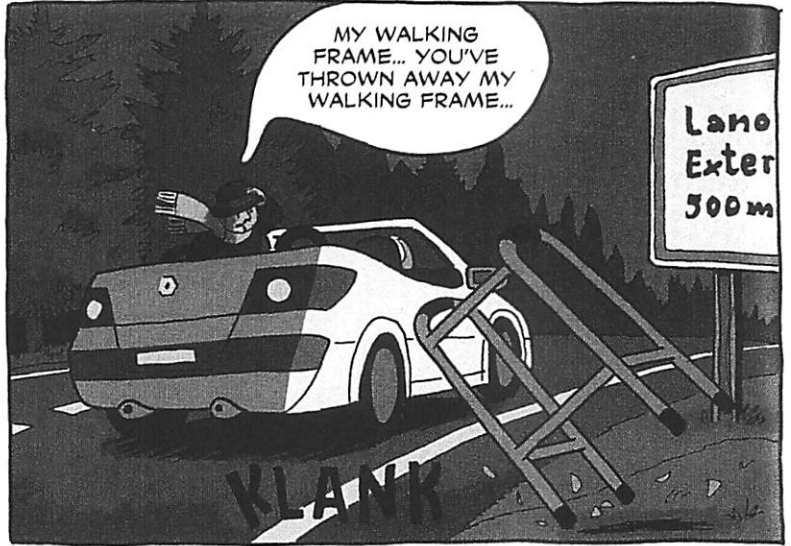


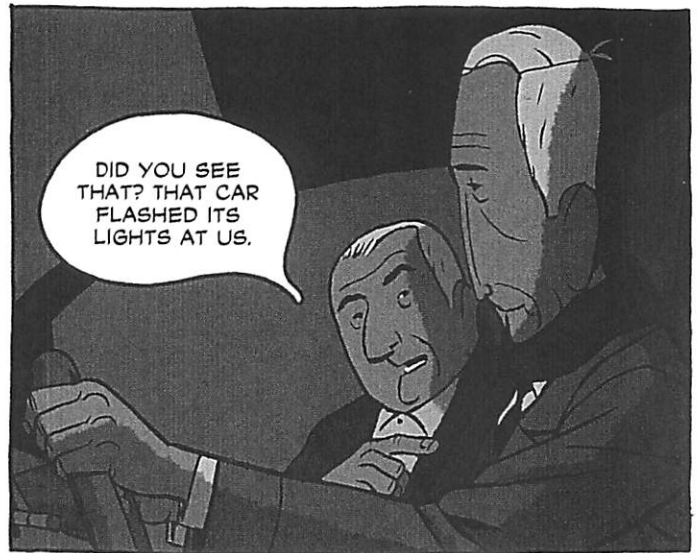
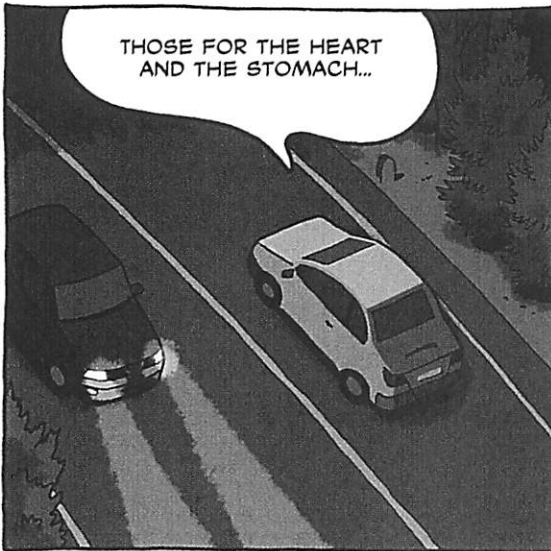
THIS IS ALL I
COULD FIND IN SO
SHORT A TIME.













YOU REALISE YOU COULD HAVE BEEN KILLED?

