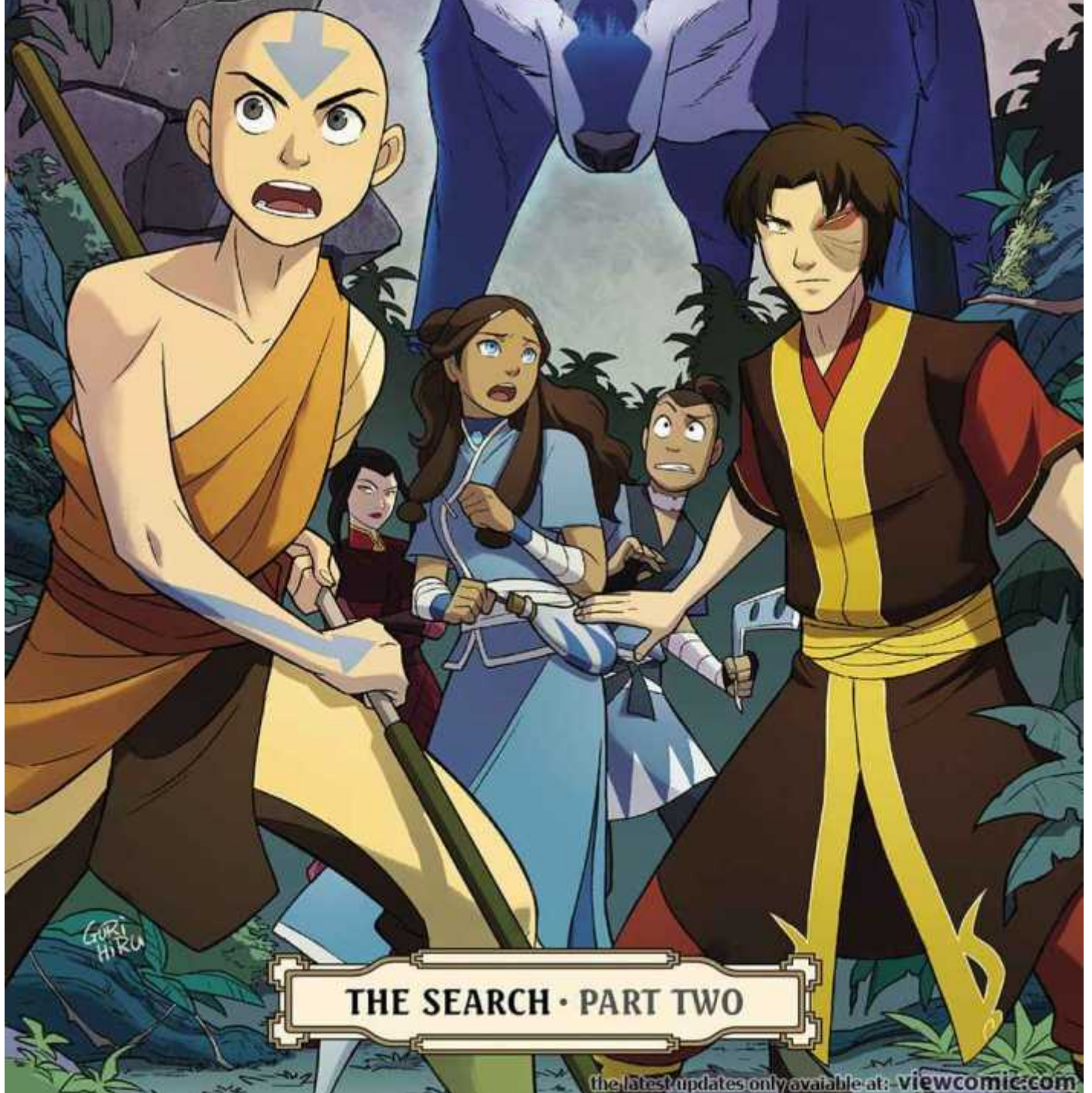


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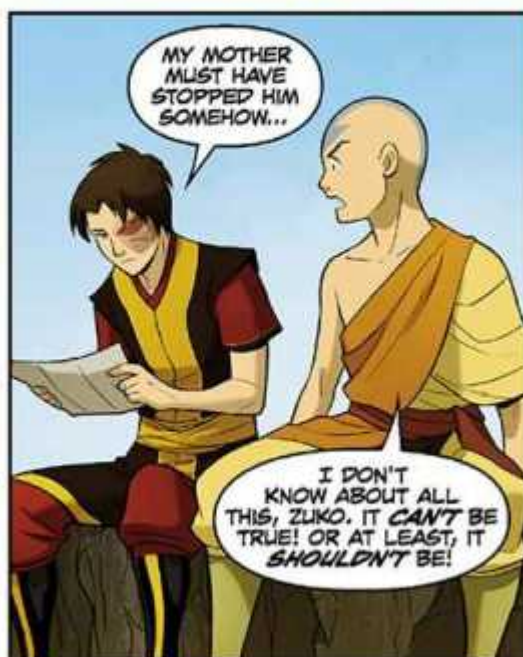
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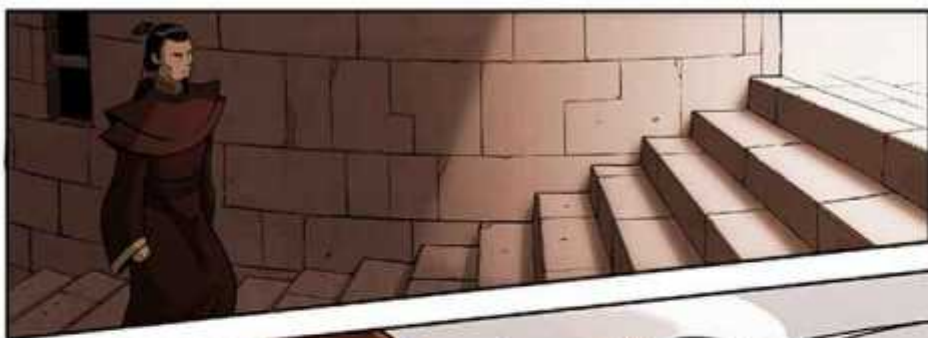




















WAS THIS HER PLAN ALL ALONG? IS SHE WHISPERING IN YOUR EAR RIGHT NOW TO THROW ME OVER THE CLIFF?!



YOU'RE NOT MAKING ANY SENSE!

ALL MY LIFE, SHE'S KEPT ME FROM MY TRUE DESTINY!



DON'T DENY IT, ZUKO! SHE TOLD YOU I HAD THE LETTER HIDDEN IN MY BOOT! SHE TOLD YOU TO WAIT UNTIL I WAS ASLEEP TO--



WAIT A MINUTE.



YOU'VE HAD THE LETTER ALL NIGHT. WHY DIDN'T YOU BURN IT WHEN YOU HAD THE CHANCE?













FIRE
PRINCE
OZAI!



THE MAN
NAMED IKEM NO
LONGER LIVES
IN HIRA'A.

THE LOCALS
SAID HE'D RUN
OFF TO A FOREST
AT THE BOTTOM
OF A NEARBY
VALLEY.



I
SEARCHED
THAT FOREST
FOR MANY
MONTHS, BUT
NEVER FOUND
HIM.



THAT FOREST...
YOUR HIGHNESS,
I'VE NEVER BEEN
ANYWHERE LIKE IT! THE
TREES, THE ANIMALS,
THE INSECTS... THEY'RE
ALL OUT TO GET YOU!
A COMMONER COULD
NOT HAVE SURVIVED
FOR LONG!

























I'M SORRY I BLEW UP AT YOU THIS MORNING. IT'S HARD FOR *ME* TO WRAP MY HEAD AROUND ALL THIS -- I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT IT'S LIKE FOR *YOU*.



EVEN SO, I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD TRY TO FIND IKEM. THIS IS GONNA SOUND HARSH, BUT IT'S BEST IF HE STAYS LOST TO HISTORY.

WE'LL BURN THE LETTER WHEN WE GET A CHANCE AND --

I DON'T HAVE THE LETTER ANYMORE. AZULA TOOK IT BACK.



AND YOU LET HER?!

WE NEED TO FOCUS ON THE TASK AT HAND, AND THAT'S LOOKING FOR MY MOTHER.



WE'LL FIGURE EVERYTHING ELSE OUT LATER, INCLUDING WHERE -- AND *WHO* -- I'M SUPPOSED TO BE.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, *WHO* YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE?!







GO TO
BED, YOUNG
LADY. NOW.



OZAI!
YOU CAN'T
DO THIS!



I HAVE NO
CHOICE. REFUSING
THE FIRE LORD'S
COMMAND IS
TREASON.

BUT I AM A
MERCIFUL MAN.
I'M WAITING UNTIL
HE'S ASLEEP. HE
WON'T FEEL A
THING.



YOU LISTEN
CAREFULLY.





ONCE
WE'VE MADE
OUR EXCHANGE,
YOU MUST LEAVE THE
CAPITAL CITY AND
NEVER SHOW YOUR
FACE AGAIN.

WITH YOU
AROUND, IT'S ONLY
A MATTER OF TIME
BEFORE A COLORLESS,
ODORLESS POISON IS
USED AGAINST THE
NEW FIRE LORD.

FINE.
BUT I TAKE
MY CHILDREN
WITH ME.

NO. THE
CHILDREN ARE
MY COLLATERAL. AS
LONG AS YOU KEEP
YOUR WORD, NO
HARM WILL COME
TO EITHER OF
THEM.

SHOULD YOU TRY
TO STAY OR TAKE YOUR
CHILDREN WITH YOU,
HOWEVER, I WILL HUNT
YOU ALL DOWN.

JUST
LIKE I DID
YOUR PRECIOUS
BOYFRIEND.





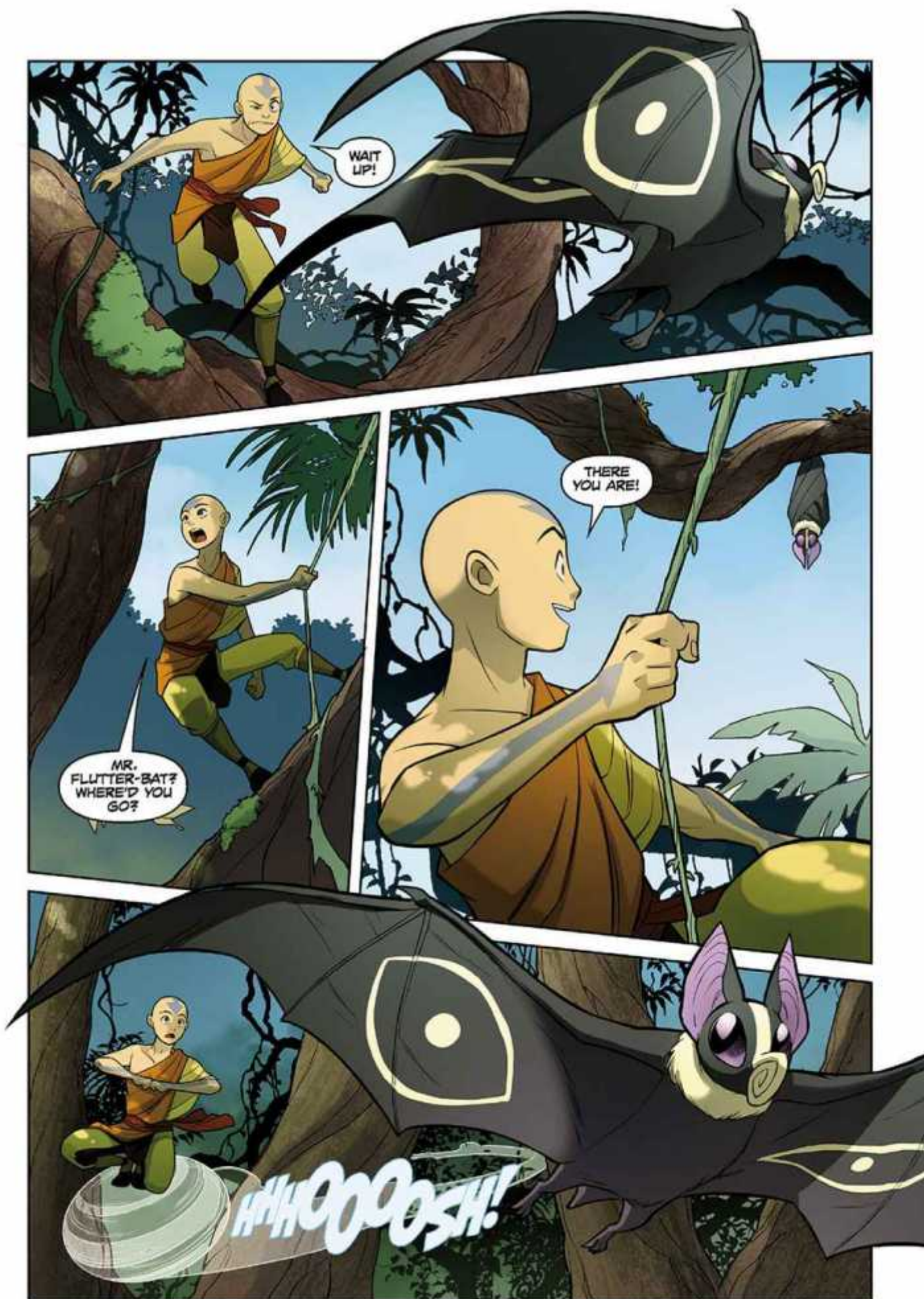
















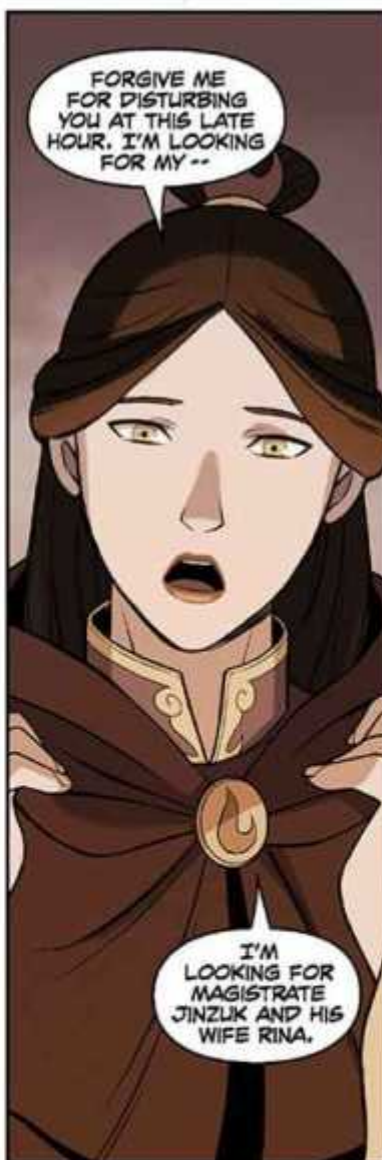


















GROWING UP, MY BROTHER AND I WERE COMPLETE OPPOSITES. I WAS QUIET AND STUDIOUS. HE WAS LOUD AND BRASH.

I FOLLOWED THE RULES. HE LIVED TO BREAK THEM.



*HE'D OFTEN BRING HOME THINGS HE'D STOLEN FROM OUR TRIBE'S MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE: A WATERBENDER'S POUCH, A WARRIOR'S CLUB, THE CHIEF'S BATTLE HELMET.

*EACH TIME, I YELLED AT HIM TO RETURN THE ITEMS, AND HE ALWAYS DID. HE JUST WANTED TO PROVE TO EVERYONE THAT HE COULD DO IT. THE PEOPLE HE STOLE FROM WERE ALWAYS SO EMBARRASSED THAT HE NEVER GOT INTO ANY REAL TROUBLE.



*WELL, ONE DAY HIS LUCK RAN OUT. I FOUND HIM ALONE ON THE ICE, HIS FACE HORRIBLY DISFIGURED.

*IT CHANGED HIS LIFE --
OUR LIVES --
FOREVER.



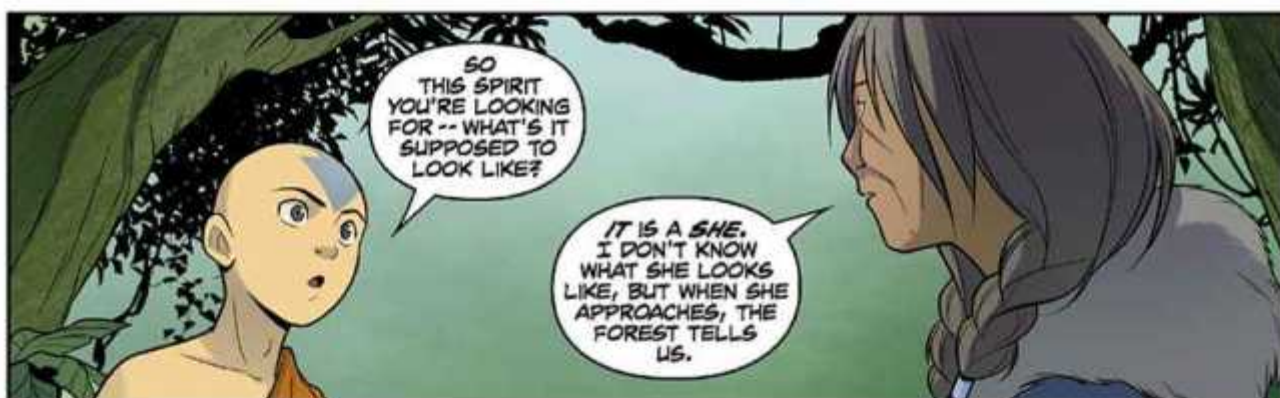
*I TOOK HIM TO OUR PEOPLE'S MOST EXPERIENCED HEALERS, BUT NONE OF THEM COULD DO A THING FOR HIM.



*SO I HELPED HIM THE BEST WAY I KNEW HOW. I WENT TO THE LIBRARY AND BEGAN TO STUDY.



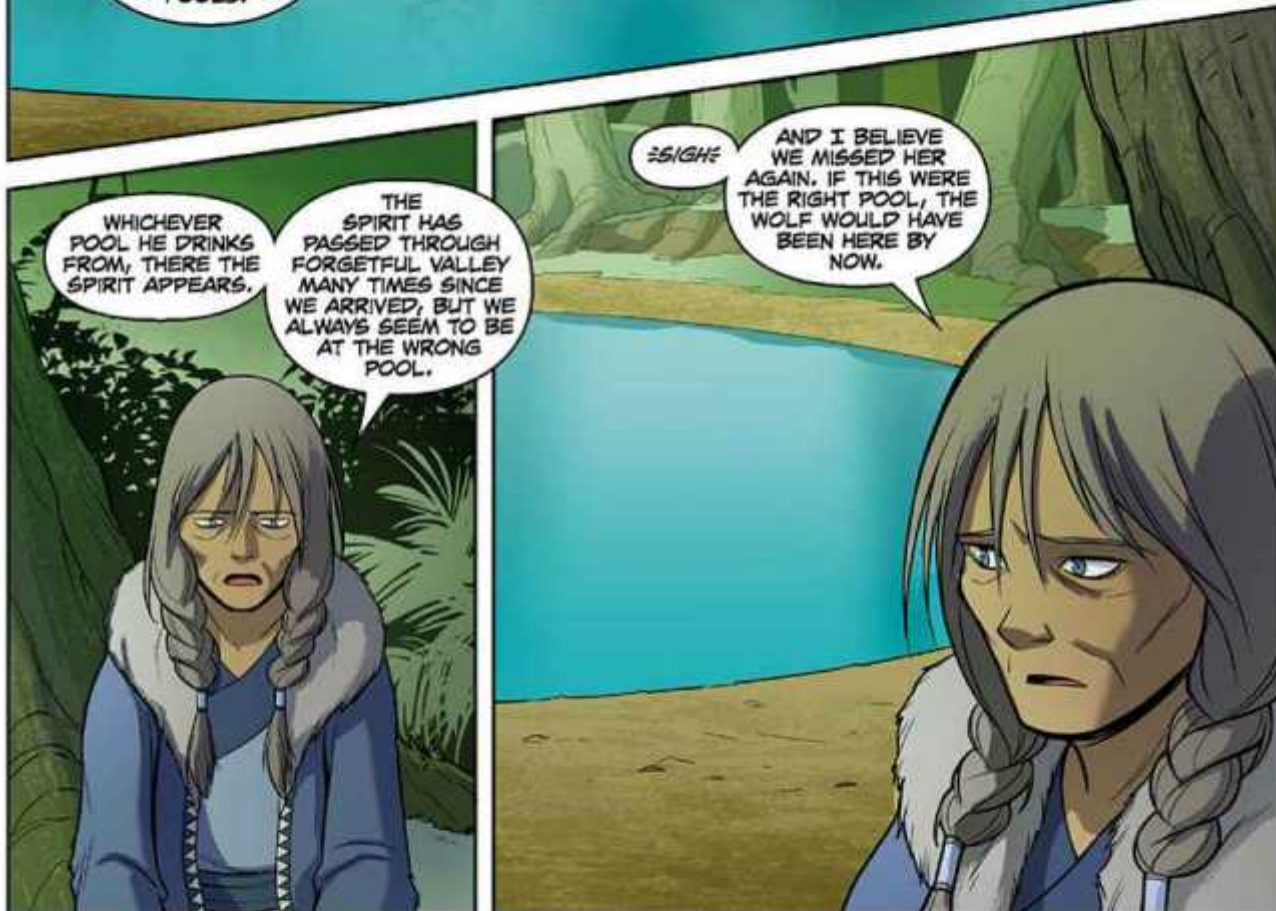






THEN ON A NIGHT LIKE TONIGHT, A **GIANT WOLF** BEARING THE MARKINGS OF A FACE TRAVELS FROM FAR AWAY TO DRINK FROM ONE OF THE FOREST'S FOUR POOLS.

THAT'S THE WOLF SPIRIT WHO PUKED MOTH-WASPS AT US!



WHICHEVER POOL HE DRINKS FROM, THERE THE SPIRIT APPEARS.

THE SPIRIT HAS PASSED THROUGH FORGETFUL VALLEY MANY TIMES SINCE WE ARRIVED, BUT WE ALWAYS SEEM TO BE AT THE WRONG POOL.

SIGH

AND I BELIEVE WE MISSED HER AGAIN. IF THIS WERE THE RIGHT POOL, THE WOLF WOULD HAVE BEEN HERE BY NOW.

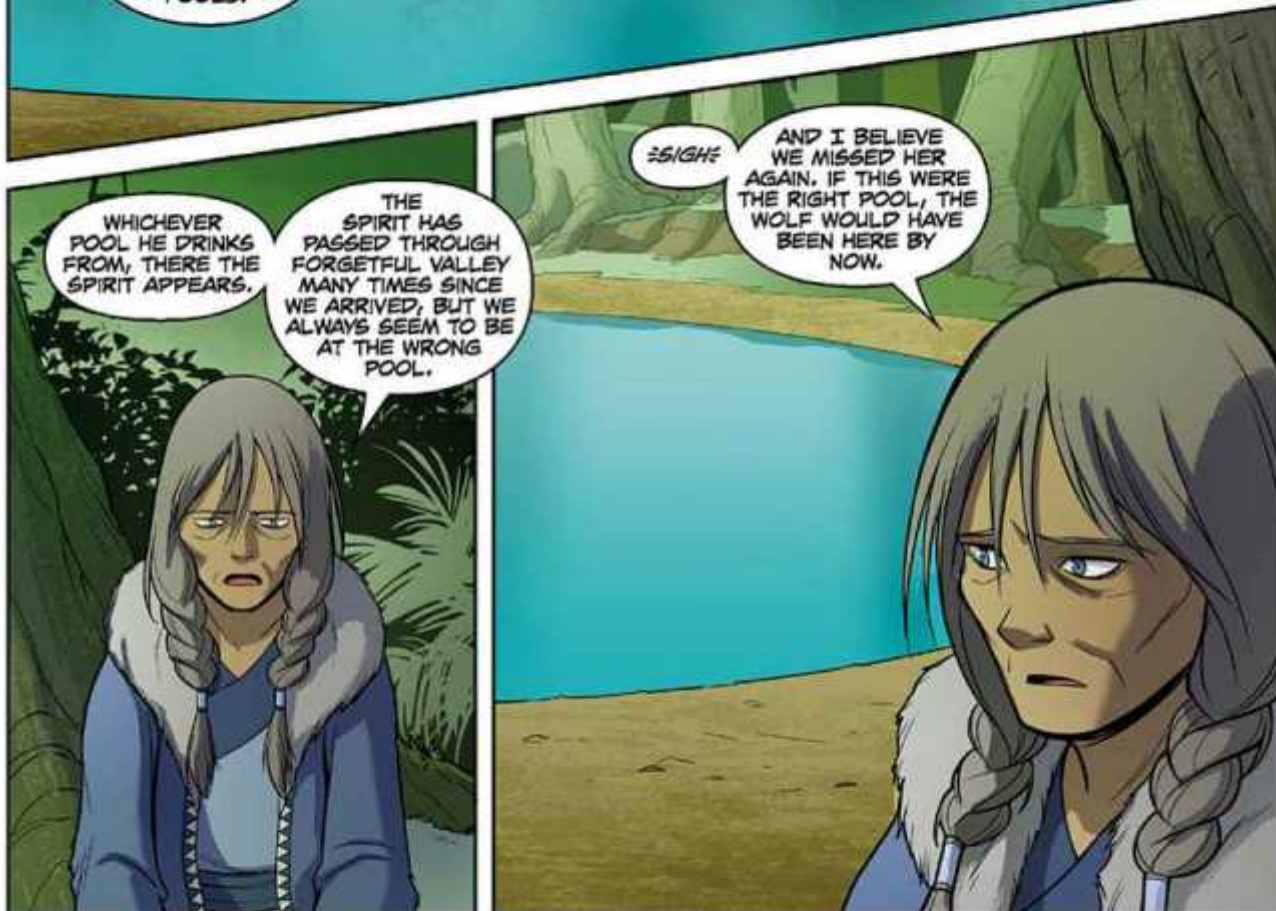


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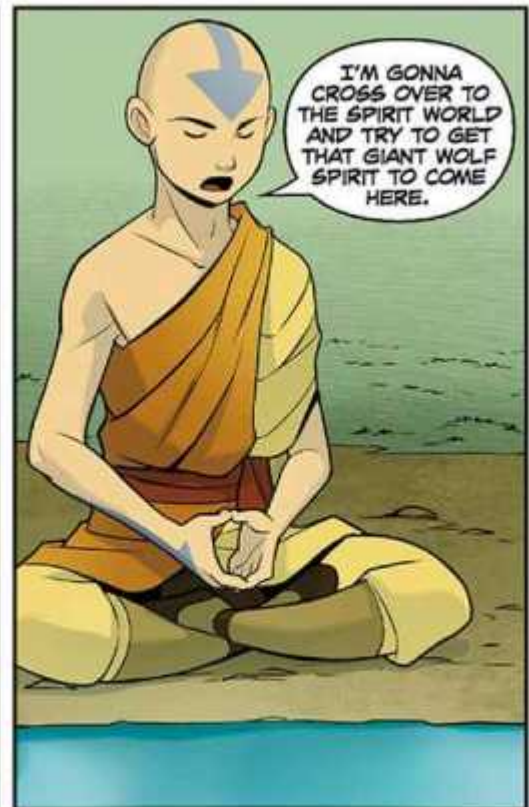
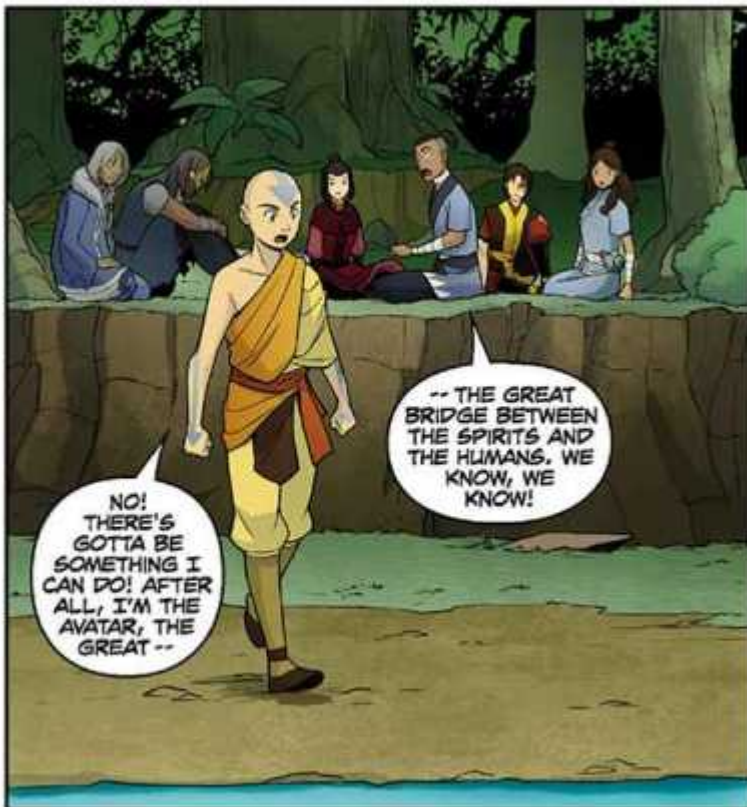
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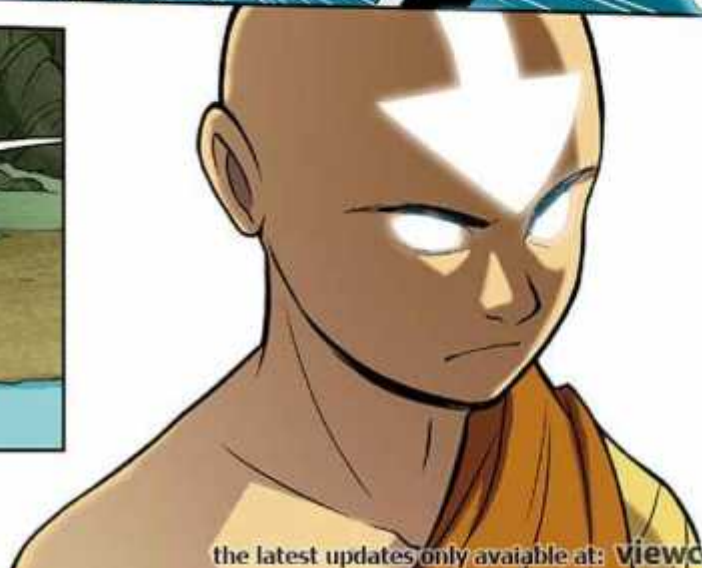
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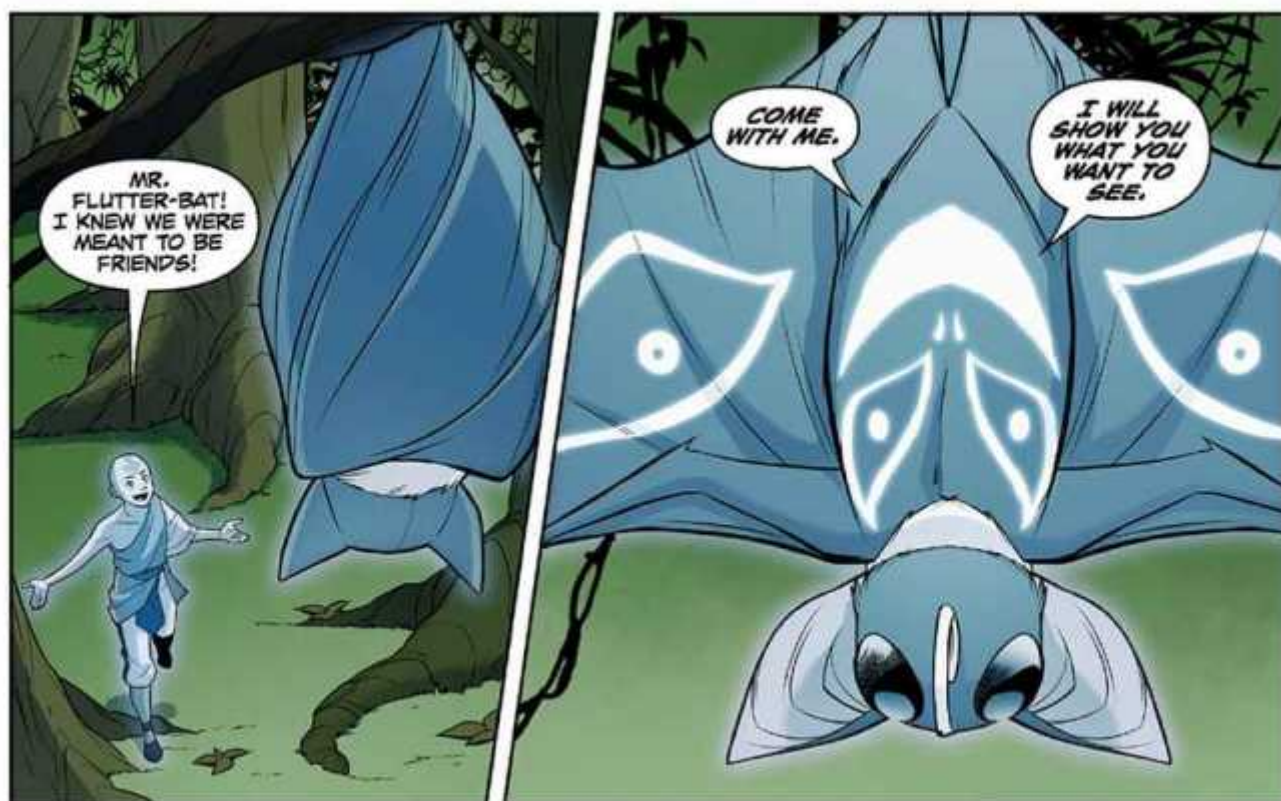


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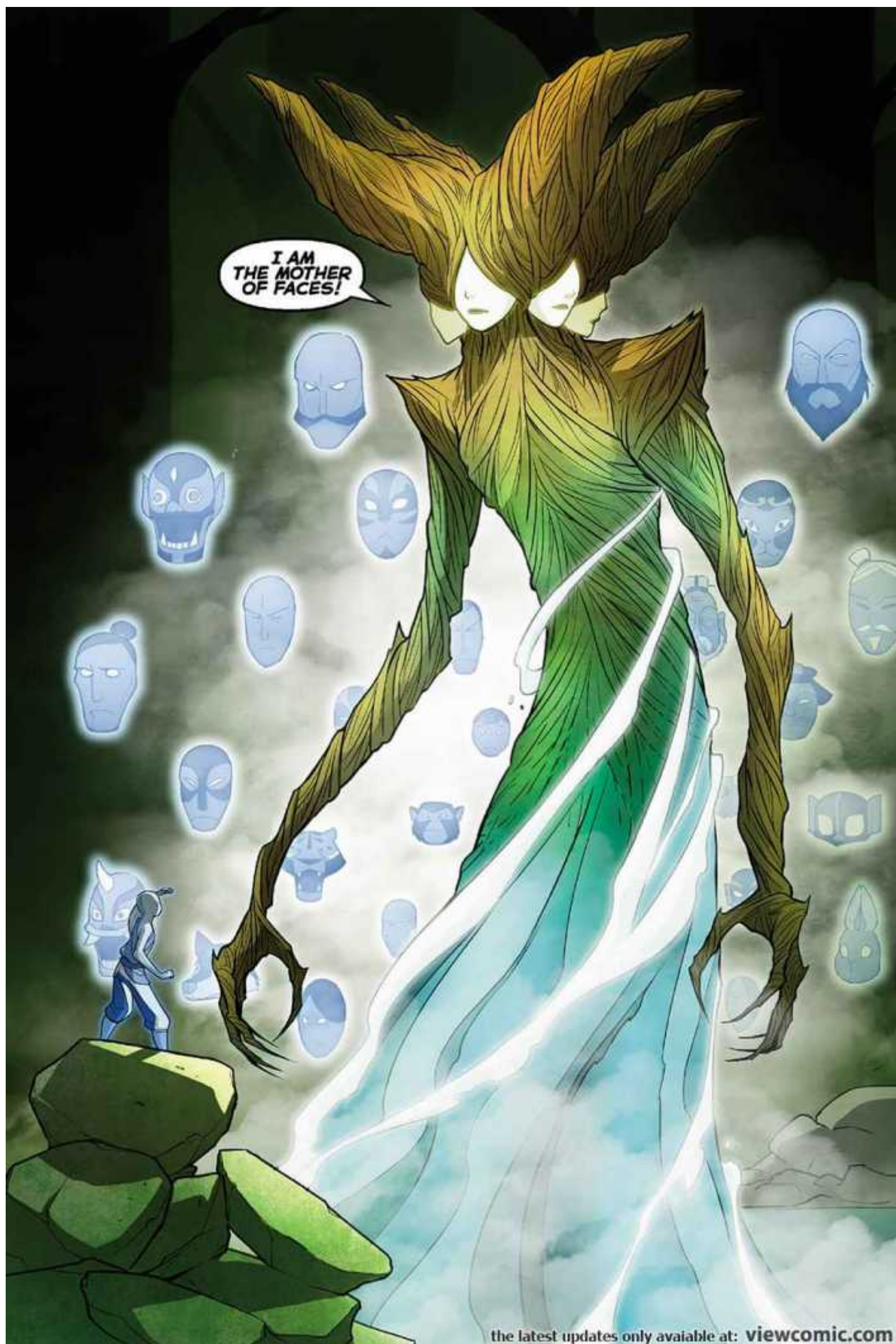


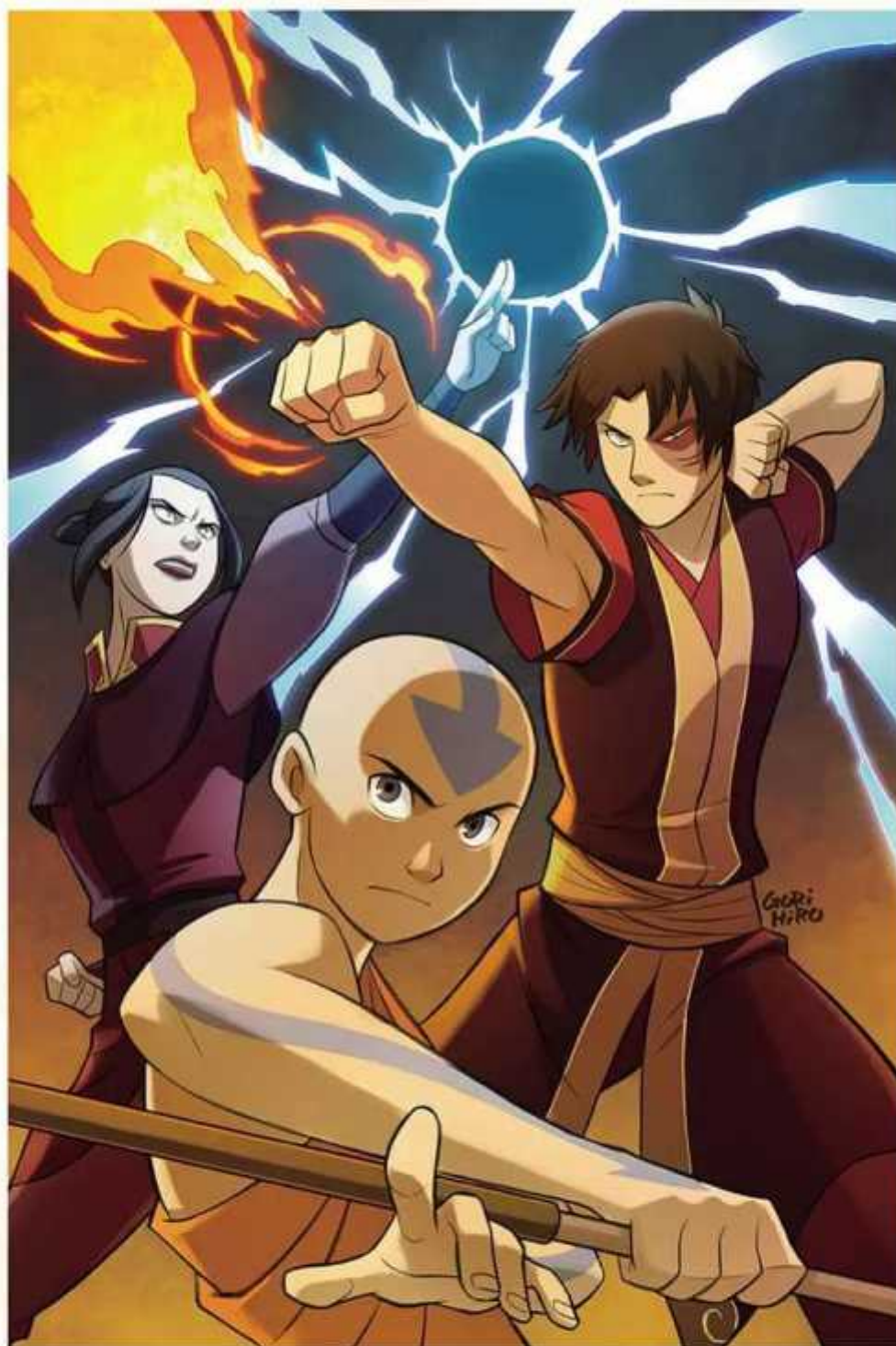
WHO DARES
RIDE MY WOLF
AS IF SHE WERE
SOME COMMON
BEAST OF
BURDEN?!



MY
NAME IS
AANG...
HUFF
HUFF

...I'M
THE AVATAR.
WH-WHO ARE
YOU?



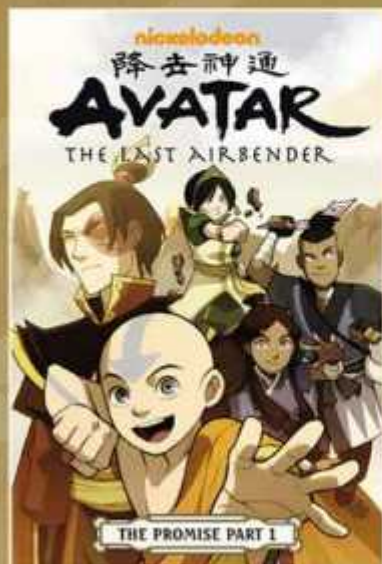


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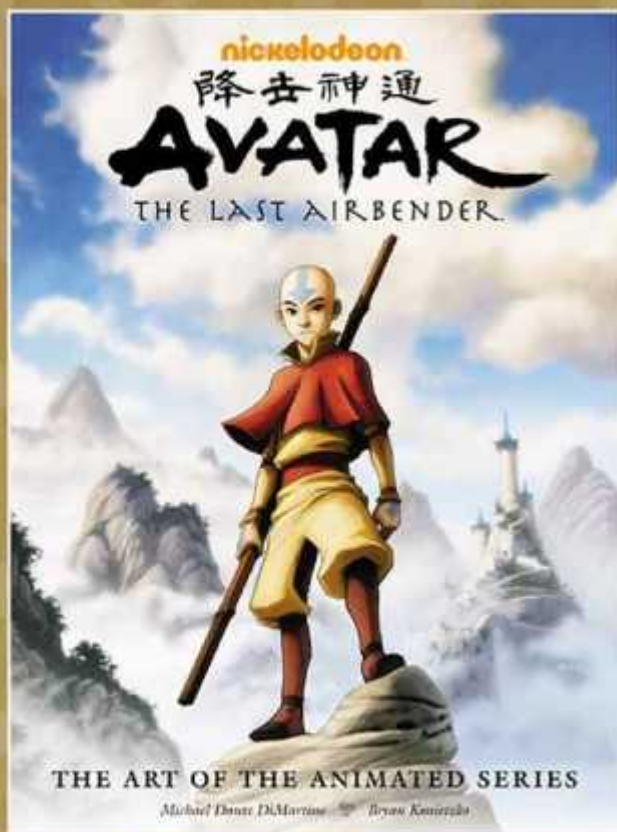
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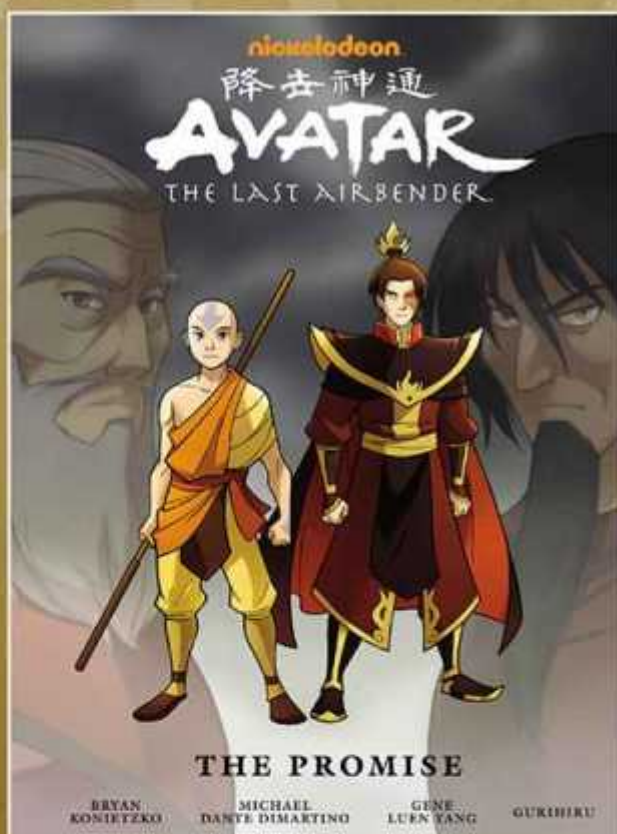
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