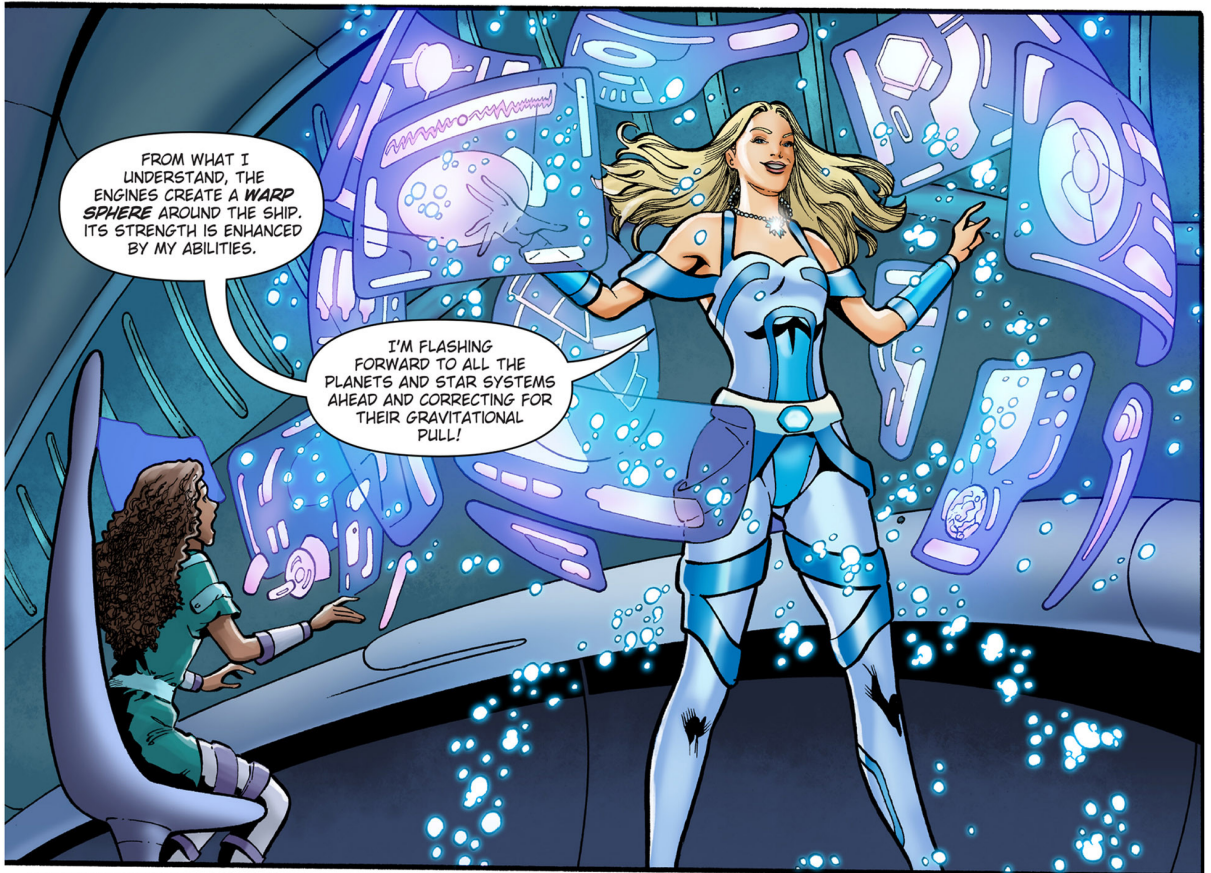




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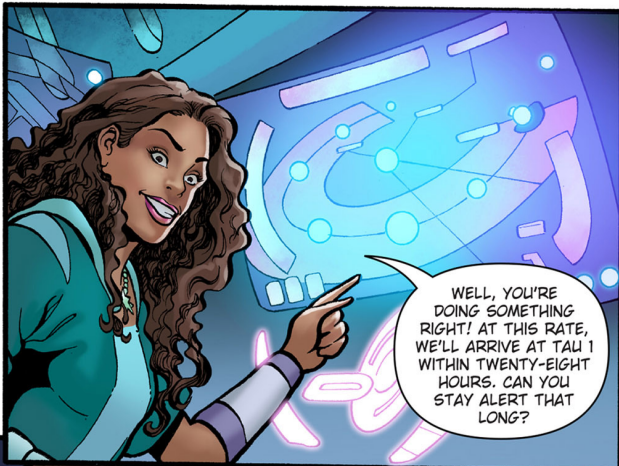
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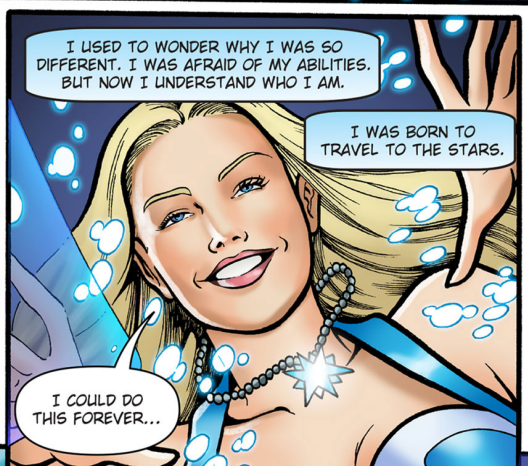


FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND, THE ENGINES CREATE A WARP SPHERE AROUND THE SHIP. ITS STRENGTH IS ENHANCED BY MY ABILITIES.

I'M FLASHING FORWARD TO ALL THE PLANETS AND STAR SYSTEMS AHEAD AND CORRECTING FOR THEIR GRAVITATIONAL PULL!



WELL, YOU'RE DOING SOMETHING RIGHT! AT THIS RATE, WE'LL ARRIVE AT TAU 1 WITHIN TWENTY-EIGHT HOURS. CAN YOU STAY ALERT THAT LONG?



I USED TO WONDER WHY I WAS SO DIFFERENT. I WAS AFRAID OF MY ABILITIES. BUT NOW I UNDERSTAND WHO I AM.

I WAS BORN TO TRAVEL TO THE STARS.

I COULD DO THIS FOREVER...

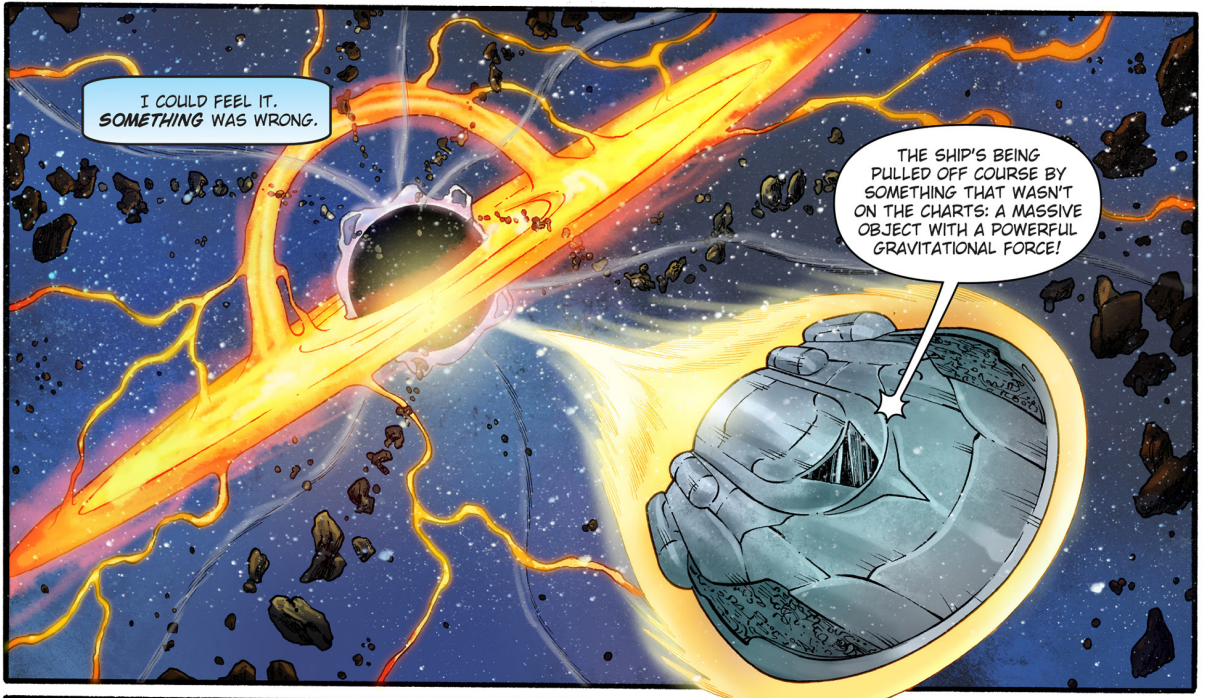


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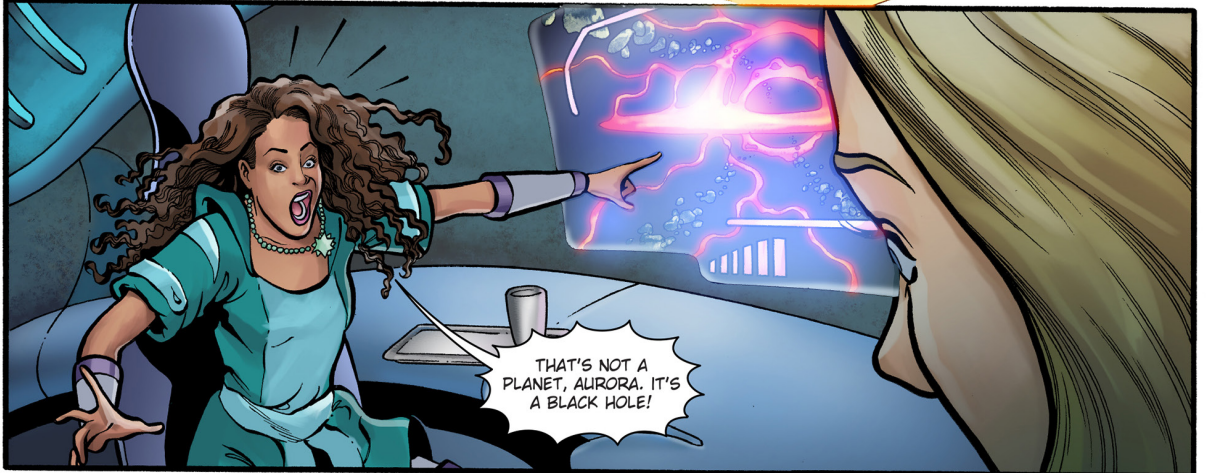
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UH, AURORA... WHAT'S THAT?

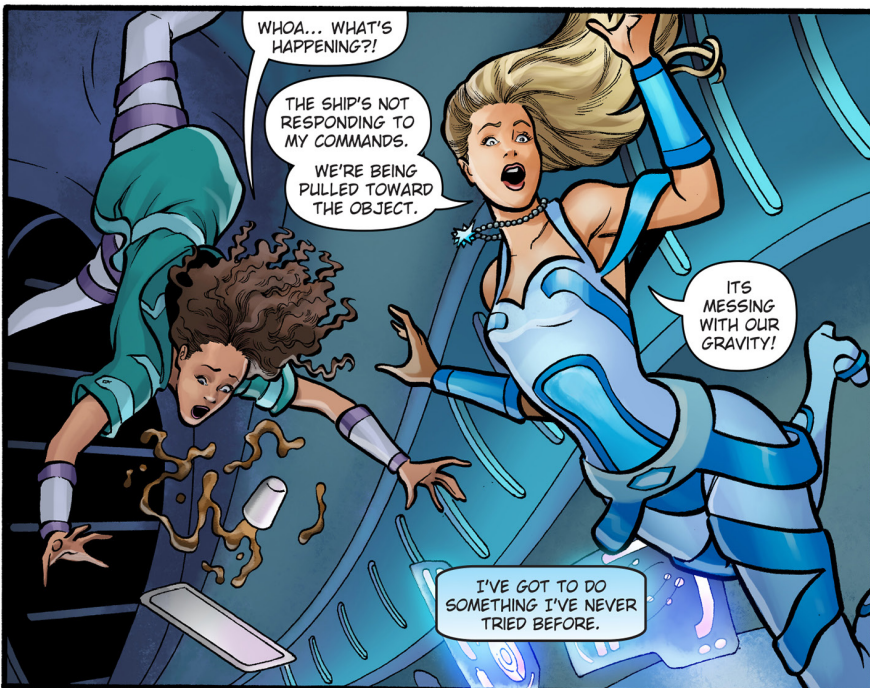


I COULD FEEL IT.
SOMETHING WAS WRONG.

THE SHIP'S BEING
PULLED OFF COURSE BY
SOMETHING THAT WASN'T
ON THE CHARTS: A MASSIVE
OBJECT WITH A POWERFUL
GRAVITATIONAL FORCE!



THAT'S NOT A
PLANET, AURORA. IT'S
A BLACK HOLE!



WHOA... WHAT'S
HAPPENING?!

THE SHIP'S NOT
RESPONDING TO
MY COMMANDS.
WE'RE BEING
PULLED TOWARD
THE OBJECT.

IT'S
MESSING
WITH OUR
GRAVITY!

I'VE GOT TO DO
SOMETHING I'VE NEVER
TRIED BEFORE.




BUCKLE IN, KRISTINE!
THIS IS GOING TO REQUIRE
HIGH-SPEED ACCELERATION
AND WE'LL ONLY GET
ONE TRY. CROSS
YOUR FINGERS.



ALL MATTER IS CONSTANTLY IN MOTION.

I NEED TO **ACCELERATE** THE SHIP, INCREASE ITS MOMENTUM TO TRAVEL AROUND THE RIM OF THE GRAVITY WELL AND BACK ON COURSE.

SLOWLY, I INCREASE THE ENERGY OUTPUT OF THE SHIP, USING THE PULL OF THE OBJECT TO SLINGSHOT US BACK TOWARDS EL TAU.



I THINK I'M GOING TO BE SICK.

OF COURSE, IT FEELS LIKE WE'RE BEING CRUSHED TO DEATH.



WE DID IT. WE'RE BACK ON COURSE!

THANKS, KRISTINE. LOOK FOR DAMAGE. AND KEEP FLYING.



I KEEP FORGETTING HOW DANGEROUS SPACE REALLY IS.

I HAVE TO BE MORE CAREFUL.

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