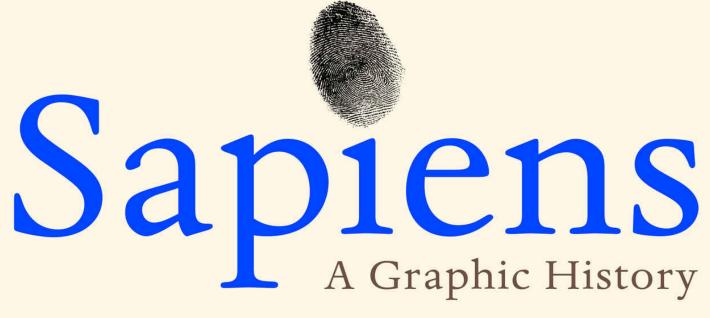
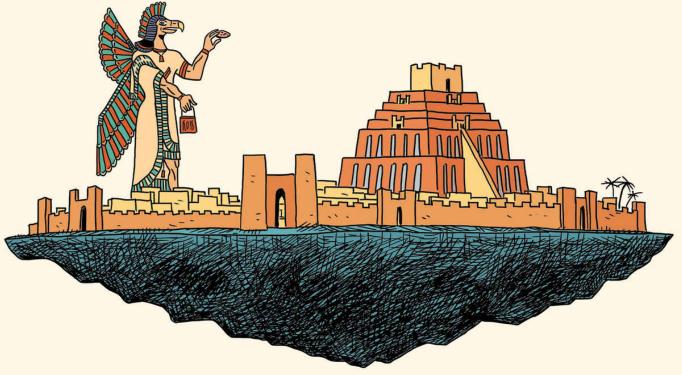
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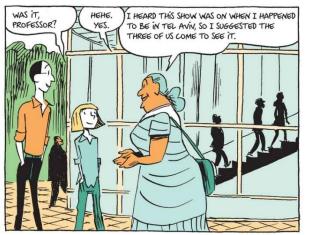
NUMBER OF YEARS AGO

13.8 BILLION	MATTER AND ENERGY APPEAR. BEGINNING OF PHYSICS.
	FORMATION OF ATOMS AND MOLECULES. BEGINNING OF CHEMISTRY.
4.5 BILLION	FORMATION OF PLANET EARTH.
3.8 BILLION	emergence of organisms. Beginning of Biology.
6 MILLION	LAST COMMON GRANDMOTHER OF HUMANS AND CHIMPANZEES.
2.5 MILLION	HUMANS EVOLVE IN AFRICA. USE OF STONE TOOLS.
2 MILLION	HUMANS SPREAD FROM AFRICA TO EURASIA.
	EVOLUTION OF DIFFERENT HUMAN SPECIES.
400,000	NEANDERTHALS EVOLVE IN EUROPE AND THE MIDDLE EAST. REGULAR USE OF FIRE.
300,000	Homo Sapiens evolves in Africa.
70,000	THE COGNITIVE REVOLUTION. EMERGENCE OF STORYTELLING.
	BEGINNING OF HISTORY. SAPIENS SPREAD OUT OF AFRICA.
50,000	SAPIENS SETTLE ACROSS AUSTRALIA. EXTINCTION OF AUSTRALIAN MEGAFAUNA.
30,000	EXTINCTION OF NEANDERTHALS. HOMO SAPIENS THE ONLY SURVIVING HUMAN
	SPECIES.
15,000	SAPIENS SPREAD ACROSS THE AMERICAS. EXTINCTION OF AMERICAN MEGAFAUNA.



LITTLE CROP OF HORRORS



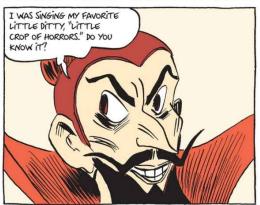














WITH THE SAPIENS BUSY LIGHTING THEIR FIRES AND MAKING THEIR TOOLS ... I THOUGHT THEY WERE ITCHING TO BE MASTERS OF THE WORLD!! PERHAPS, I THOUGHT TO MYSELF, THEY'D LIKE TO MASTER GOATS?





I POPPED BACK TO SEE THEM WHEN THEY STARTED SYSTEMATICALLY EXTERMINATING LARGE ANIMALS AND THE OTHER HUMANS.



BUT NOPE... THEY'D KILL ME BEFORE THEY EVEN THOUGHT TO CAPTURE ME AND PUT ME TO WORK. EVEN APTER EVERYTHING THEY'D DONE TO THE OTHER HUMANS AND ALL THOSE ANIMALS, THEY STILL WEREN'T INTERESTED IN REAL POWER.

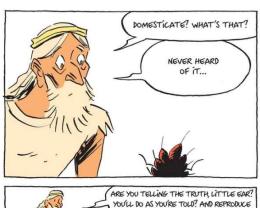


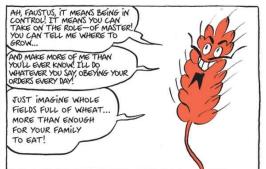
OH, NO! I THOUGHT, THIS IS TYRANNOSAURUS REX ALL OVER AGAIN!











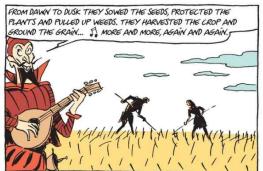


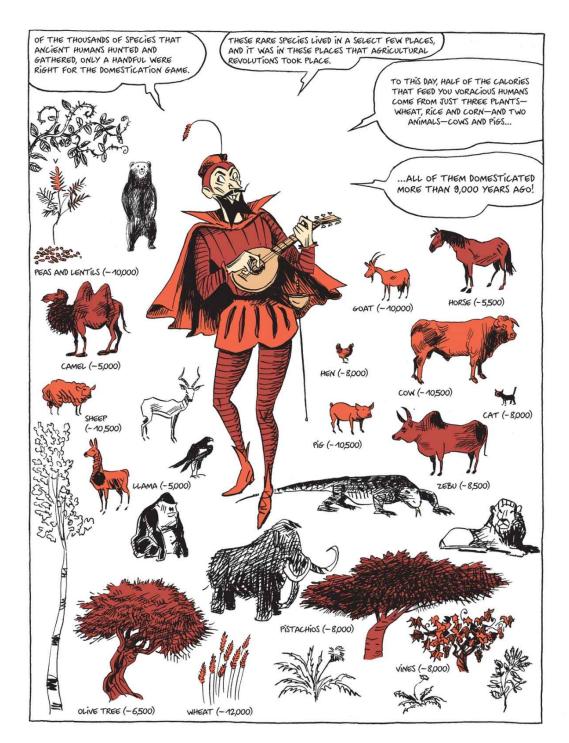


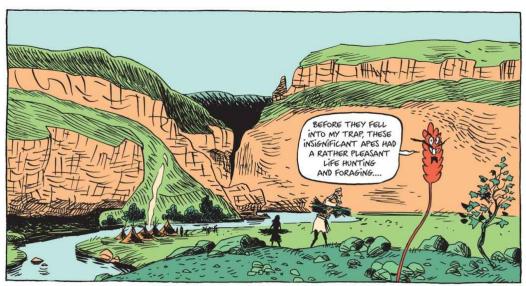










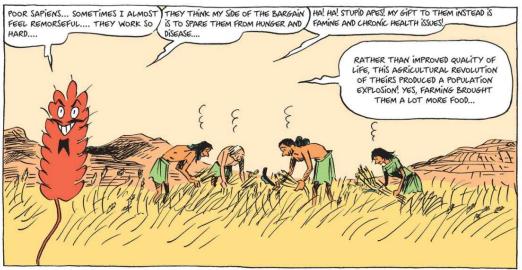


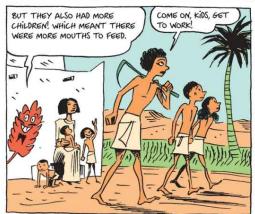


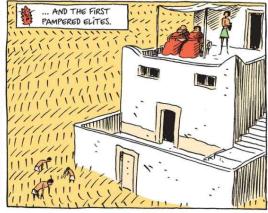


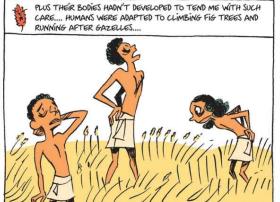


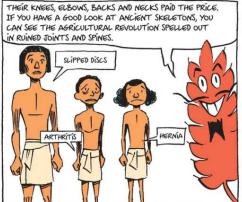
















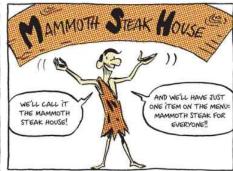










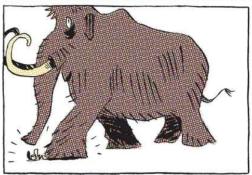


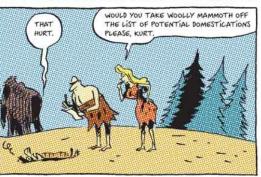




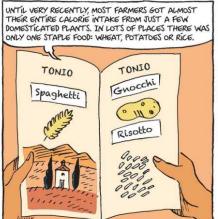






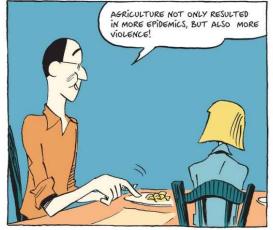






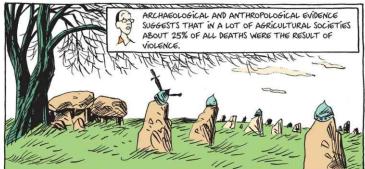






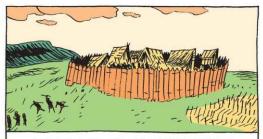






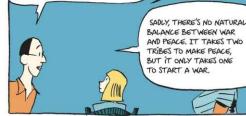


AT FIRST THERE WERE PEACEFUL FARMERS AND VIOLENT ONES. TAKE THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIES IN SOUTHERN LEVANT, FOR EXAMPLE: THEY FOUND THAT FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN THE REGION HAD NO WALLS AND PEOPLE HARDLY EVER WENT TO WAR.



BUT MORE VIOLENT FARMERS GRADUALLY EXTENDED THEIR TERRITORY AND PEOPLE HAD TO ADOPT THEIR BAD HABITS OR KEEP OUT OF THEIR WAY.

LARGE-SCALE WARFARE ISN'T A UNIVERSAL HUMAN CHARACTERISTIC. IT WAS INVENTED IN A NUMBER OF PRIMITIVE FARMING SOCIETIES. THEN IT SPREAD LIKE THE PLAGUE!



BUT, UNCLE YUVAL, DON'T YOU THINK
LIVING IN VILLAGES HAD SOME ADVANTAGES
FOR THOSE FIRST FARMERS?

THEY MUST HAVE BEEN
PROTECTED FROM WILD ANIMALS,
AND THE COLD AND RAIN, RIGHT?

VIOLENCE, HUNGER, DISEASE...

THAT'S TRUE, BUT FOR THE AVERAGE PERSON LIKE BILL AND CINDY, THERE WERE OFTEN MANY MORE DOWNSIDES THAN UPSIDES....
WELL I'M AN AVERAGE PERSON

WELL, I'M AN AVERAGE PERSON
TOO, AND I DON'T GET THE FEELING
FARMING'S A BAD THING FOR ME. IF
WE DIDN'T HAVE FARMING, HOW COULD
I BE EATING SPACHETTI IN THIS
RESTAURANT?



YOU SEEM TO LIKE FARMING A LOT, BUT THEN AGAIN YOU DON'T

HAVE TO WORK THE LAND! YOU'RE HAPPY JUST EATING THE

THE DAILY BUSINESS NEWS Agricultural Revolution was a trap!



Milton Goldmine: Agriculture still greatest deal ever

Famous economics professor Milton Goldmine challenges Professor Harari's statement.

Prof. Goldmine, speaking exclusively to DBN:



MG: "Granted, from each individual's point of view, agriculture may not have been such a great idea.... But for the Homo Sapiens Corporation it was a hell of a success story! Cereal cultivation guaranteed far more food per unit of territory. And that's how Homo sapiens enjoyed exponential population growth!"

YOUR FAVORITE COLUMN: Fibs, Lies and Statistics



Approximately 13,000 years ago

When foragers ate wild plants and animals, the area around Jericho in Palestine could sustain a nomadic band of some 50 people.



About 9,000 years ago

When fields of wheat replaced wild plants, the oasis could support a big, crowded village with perhaps 1,000 inhabitants.

DBN: Should we, as Professor Harari is claiming, see agriculture as a terrible idea for Homo sapiens?

Milton Goldmine: Professor Harari is wrong; he's not seeing this from a management standpoint! I mean... a bit of common sense, for God's sake! We don't rate a company's success by measuring how happy its employees are—so far as I know! We look at its dividends! And the

numbers prove that agriculture did wonders for humanity's bottom line! The currency of evolution isn't hunger or suffering, but genes!

DBN: Do you mean that the success of a species in evolutionary terms is measured by the number of copies of its DNA?

MG: Why yes, exactly that! Everyone knows that! And Professor Harari should know it too! If there are no copies of its DNA left, the species is extinct, just like a company with no money is bankrupt. If a species has more and more copies of its DNA, it's a huge evolutionary success!

DBN: So are 1,000 copies always bet-

MG: Well, of course! Here's the basic premise of the Agricultural Revolution: keeping more people alive on the same area of territory. That's pro-

FLASH INTERVIEW WITH YUVAL NOAH HARARI Three questions for Prof. Harari:

DBN: What do you say to Professor: Goldmine's challenge of your analysis?

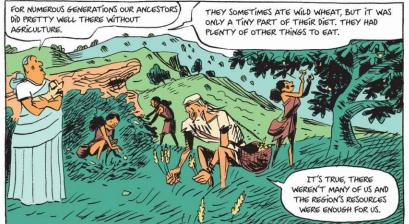
YNH: Yes, thanks to agriculture there were more people on earth, but they were also more miserable! Why would any sensible person lower their standard of living just to mul-

tiply the number of copies of the Homo sapiens genome? It would be ridiculous. Nobody agreed to this deal! It was a trap! And it closed so slowly that humans fell into it before they understood what was happening!



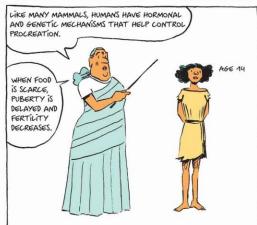
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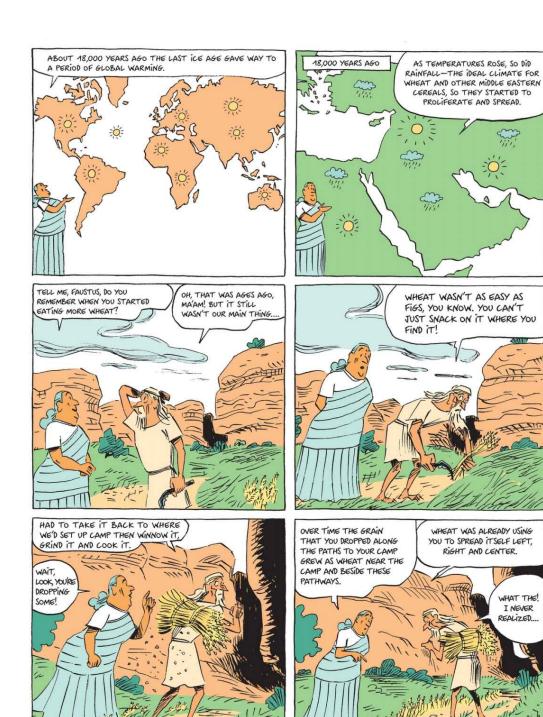








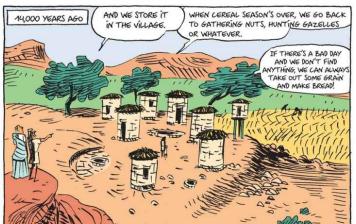


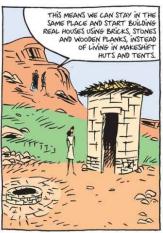


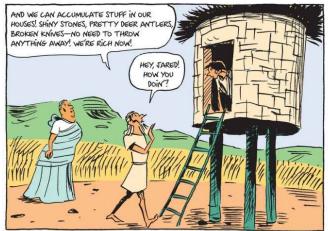


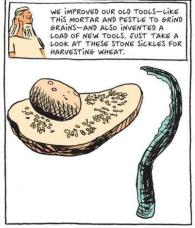


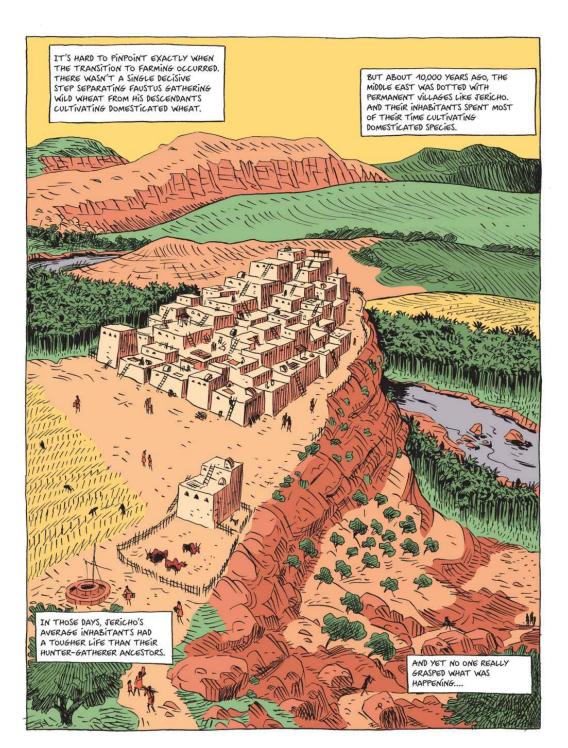




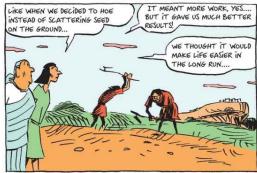
































AND ALL THOSE CHILDREN

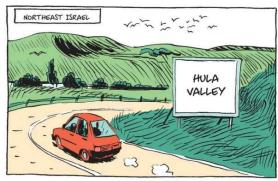


STILL, SOME PEOPLE SEEMED TO BE OK. WHAT

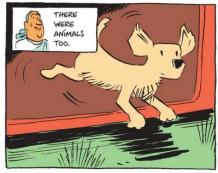




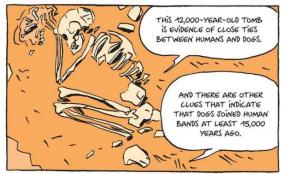








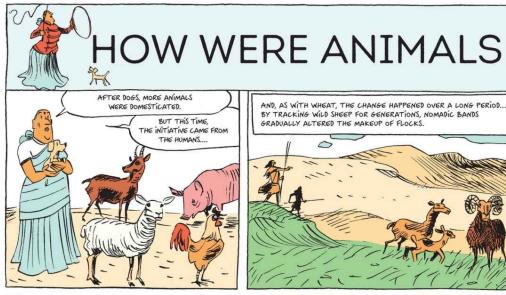






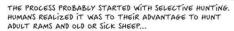






AND, AS WITH WHEAT, THE CHANGE HAPPENED OVER A LONG PERIOD BY TRACKING WILD SHEEP FOR GENERATIONS, NOMADIC BANDS GRADUALLY ALTERED THE MAKEUP OF FLOCKS.

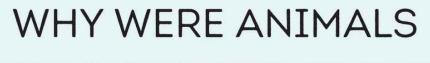


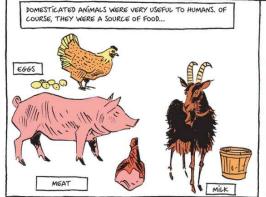




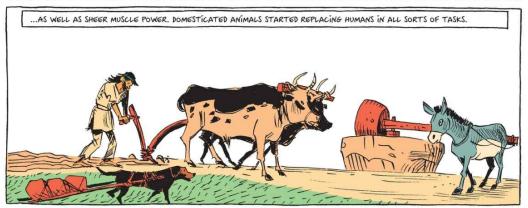








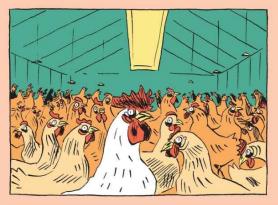






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CHICKENS—AN INCREDIBLE SUCCESS STORY!





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Famous economist Milton Goldmine gives us his reaction



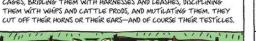


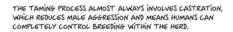
Milton Goldmine, member of the jury for the Evolution Awards





FARMERS STARTED SYSTEMATICALLY CONTAINING ANIMALS IN PENS AND CAGES, BRIDLING THEM WITH HARNESSES AND LEASHES, DISCIPLINING THEM WITH WHIPS AND CATTLE PRODS, AND MUTILATING THEM. THEY





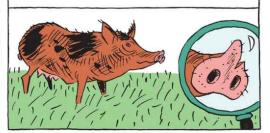




IN MANY SOCIETIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, PEOPLE'S WEALTH HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN DETERMINED BY HOW MANY ANIMALS THEY OWNED. IN NEW GUINEA, FOR EXAMPLE, PIGS WERE THE KEY ASSET.



IN NORTHERN NEW GUINEA, FARMERS MAKE SURE THEIR PIGS DON'T RUN AWAY BY SLICING OFF PART OF THEIR SNOUTS. THIS CAUSES THE PIGS SEVERE PAIN WHENEVER THEY TRY TO SNIFF.







THE WHOLE OF THE DAIRY INDUSTRY IS BUILT ON BREAKING THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL BOND IN MAMMALS—THE BOND BETWEEN A MOTHER AND HER OFFSRING. AS A BIOLOGIST, I FIND THAT TERRIBLY CRUEL.

ACTUALLY, I FIND THE DAIRY INDUSTRY NOT ONLY CRUEL, BUT ALSO PRETTY STRANGE.

WHY SHOULD HUMANS DRINK COW'S MILK? WOLVES NEVER DRINK EWE'S MILK, AND TIGERS NEVER DRINK ELEPHANT'S MILK, DO THEY?

NEANDERTHALS AND ANCIENT SAPIENS DIDN'T DRINK OTHER ANIMALS' MILK EITHER. HUMAN BABIES WERE REARED ON THEIR MOTHER'S MILK, BUT ONCE THEY WERE WEANED, THEY NEVER DRANK MILK AGAIN.



OUR DIGESTIVE SYSTEM HASN'T REALLY HAD TIME TO ADAPT. THAT'S WHY SO MANY PEOPLE STILL HAVE ALL SORTS OF HEALTH PROBLEMS WHEN THEY DRINK MILK.

THIS WHOLE QUESTION OF ANIMAL DOMESTICATION MAKES ME VERY UNCOMFORTABLE....







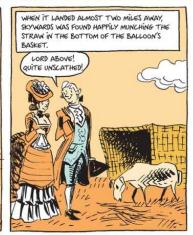
PEOPLE WERE AFRAID THAT AIR TRAVEL MIGHT DO TERRIBLE THINGS TO THE BODY, SO THEY TESTED IT OUT BY USING ANIMALS.





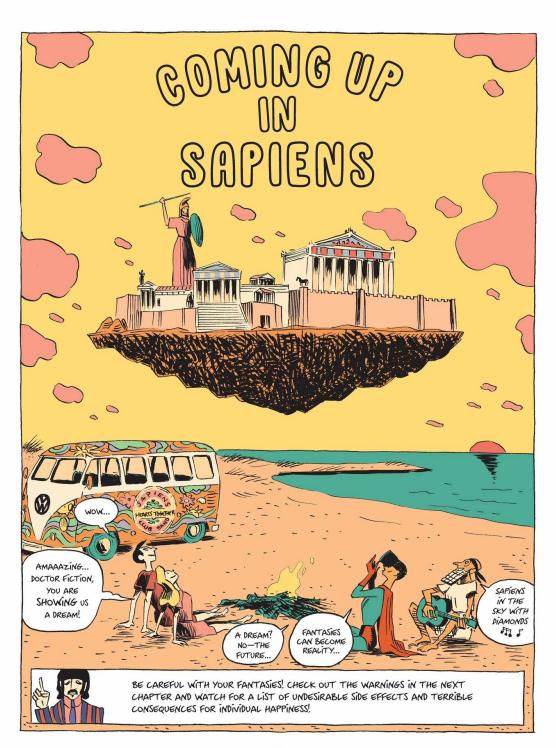




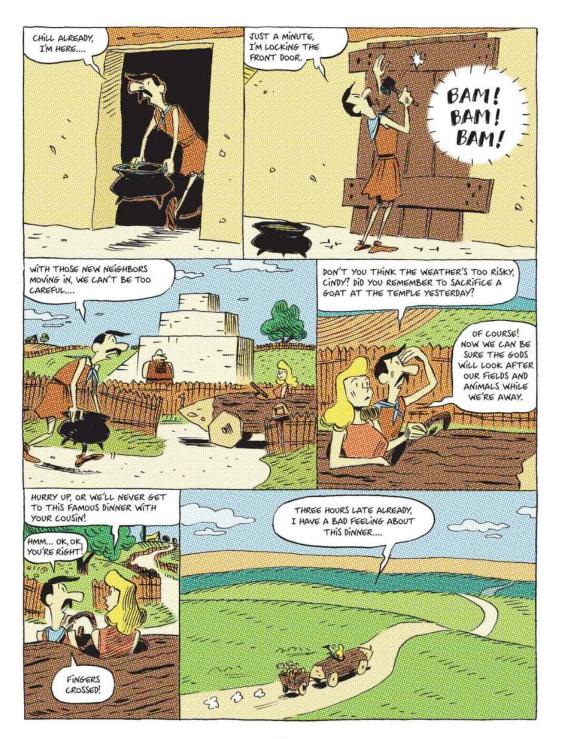


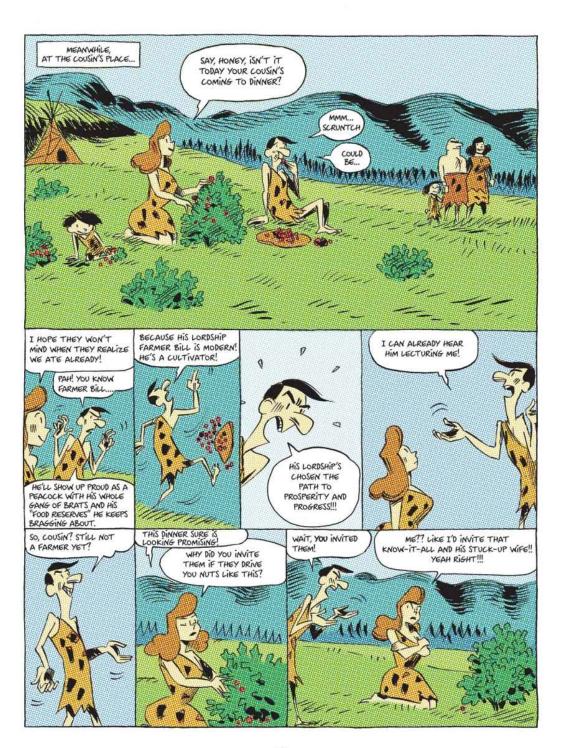


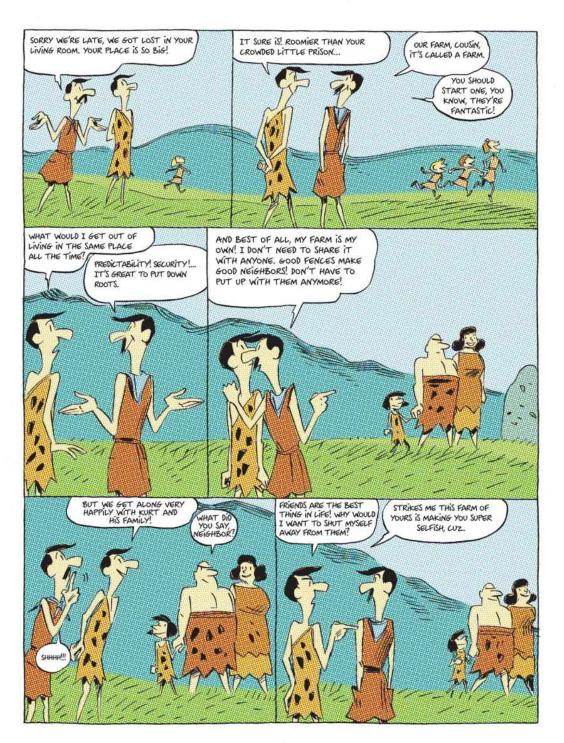


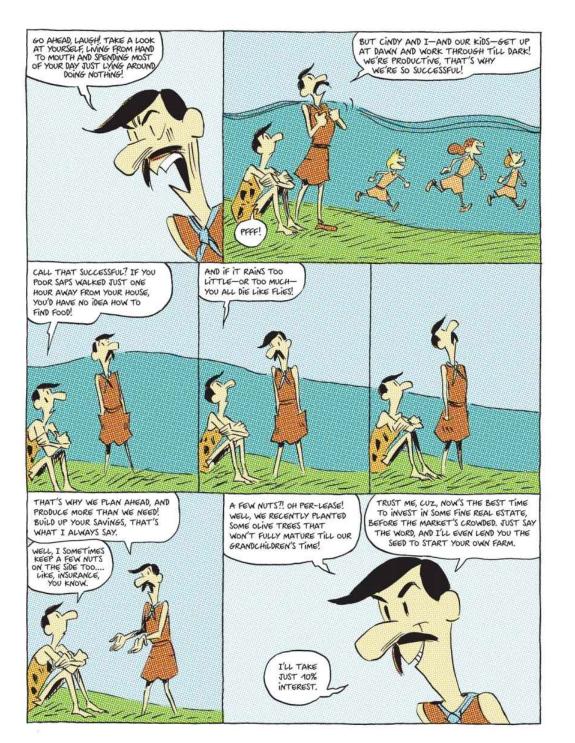


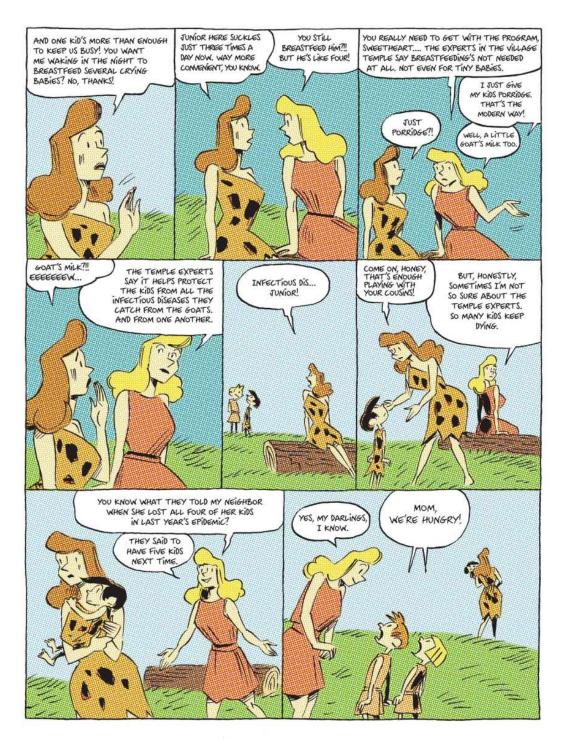
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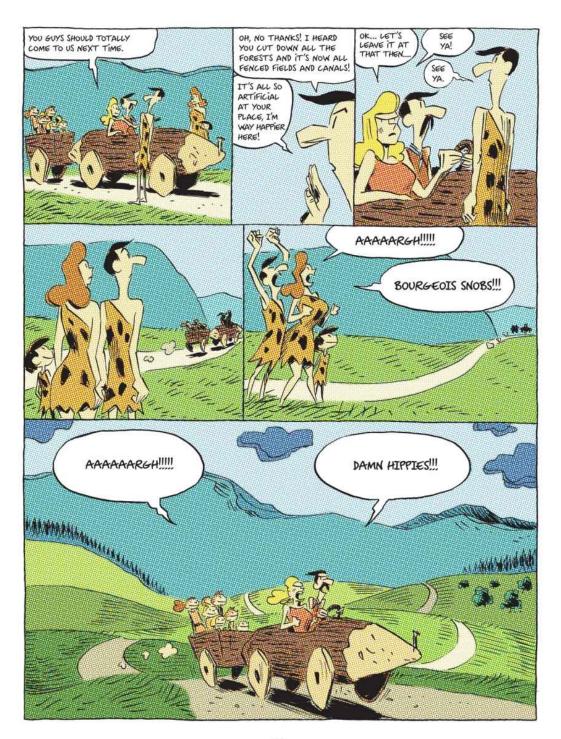




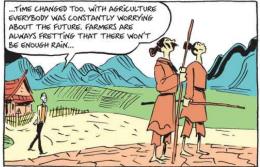






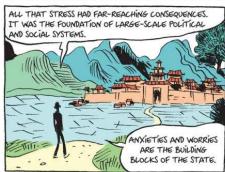






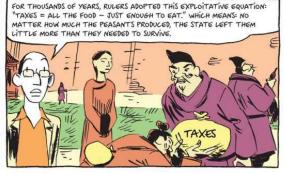


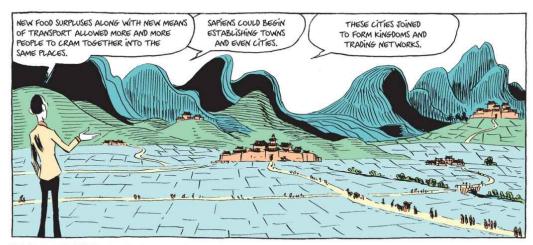










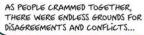








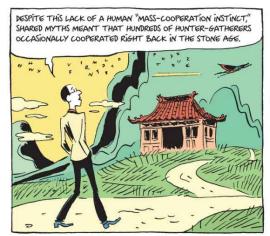


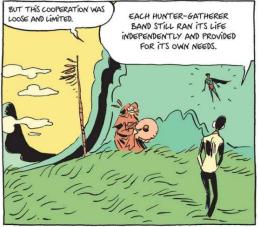


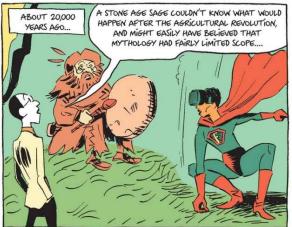
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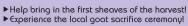


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FOR SHAMANS, WITCH DOCTORS, DRUIDS...

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- 10,000 years ago
- 1,000 inhabitants
- 1 small temple







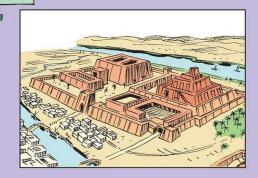
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The Anatolia of your dreams!

- 9,000 years ago
- 5,000 inhabitants
- 63 shrines
- ▶ Don't miss the spring bull festival!
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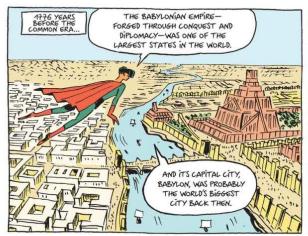










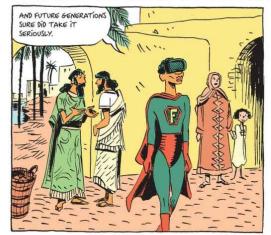


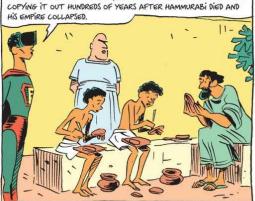






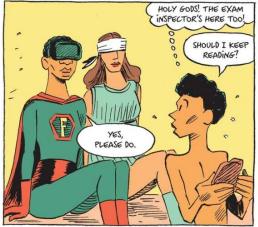


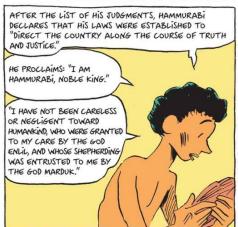




ALL THE INTELLECTUAL AND BUREAUCRATIC BIG SHOTS IN MESOPOTAMIA MADE A BIG DEAL OF THE CODE, AND APPRENTICE SCRIBES WERE STILL

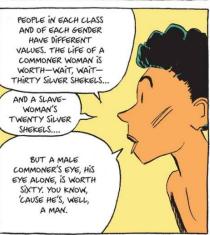










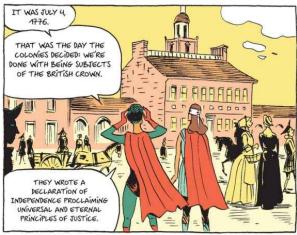




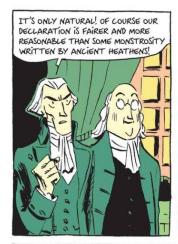




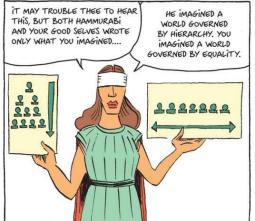








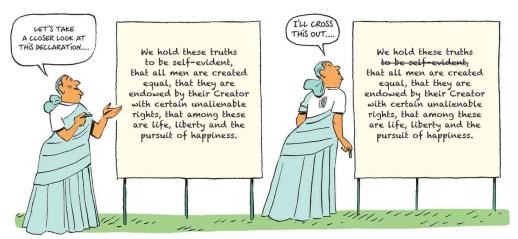








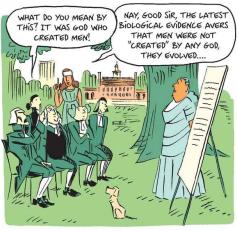




AND I'LL REPLACE THIS....



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are life, liberty and the
pursuit of happiness.

QUITE SO, THANK YOU, LADY JUSTICE! THEN I NEED TO CHANGE THIS TOO. BECAUSE EVOLUTION RELIES ON DIFFERENCES....

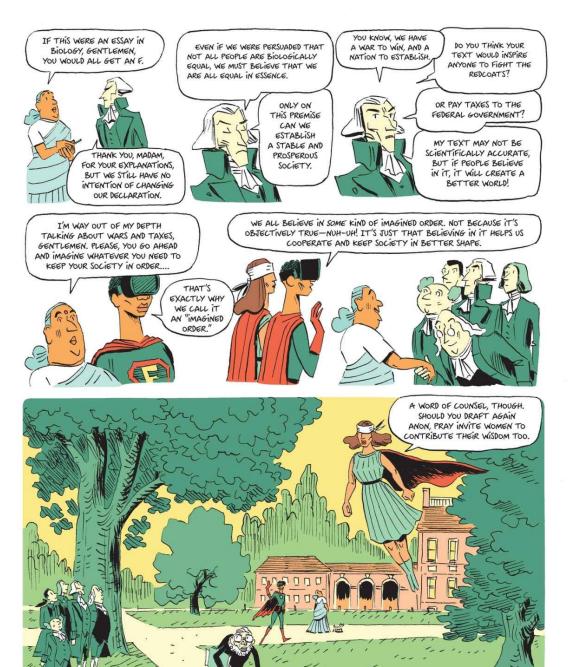


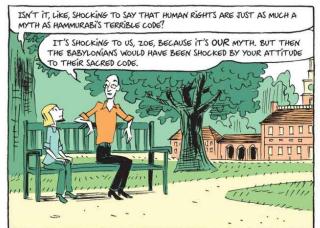
YOU'RE SUGGESTING PEOPLE ARE EQUAL BECAUSE YOU, I MEAN MODERN AMERICANS, BELIEVE IN THE CHRISTIAN MYTHS OF CREATION AND OF ETERNAL SOULS.



THESE ARE NOT MYTHS! IT IS A SELF-EVIDENT TRUTH THAT EVERYONE IS EQUAL BECAUSE GOD CREATED THEM SO!







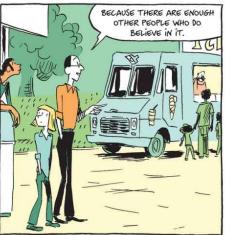










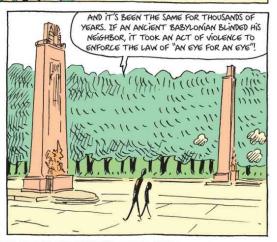






IT'S CONSTANT WORK SAFEGUARDING AN IMAGINED ORDER.
AND IT OFTEN CALLS FOR VIOLENT MEASURES. ARMIES,
POLICE FORCES, TRIALS AND PRISONS WORK ROUND THE CLOCK
FORCING PEOPLE TO COMPLY WITH IMAGINED ORDERS. SO,
IRONICALLY, EVEN PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS SOMETIMES
REQUIRES VIOLENCE!





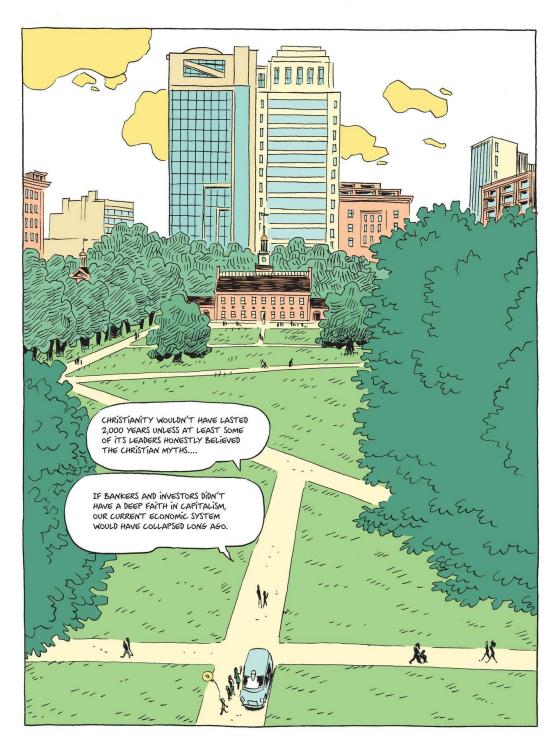
AND WHEN, IN 1860, A MAJORITY OF AMERICAN VOTERS CONCLUDED THAT AFRICAN SLAVES WERE HUMAN BEINGS AND SHOULD HAVE A RIGHT TO LIBERTY, IT TOOK A BLOODY CIVIL WAR TO MAKE THE SOUTHERN STATES AGREE TO THIS.





BUT IT TAKES MORE









LIKE MILLIONS OF OTHER HUMANS IN HER GENERATION, ZOE HERE IS TAUGHT TO BELIEVE IN THE VALUES OF EQUALITY AND LIBERTY THROUGH FAIRY TALES, TV SHOWS, PAINTINGS, SONGS, ETIQUETTE AND FASHION....







MODERN HOUSES OFTEN TURN THIS ABSTRACT CONCEPT





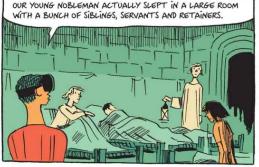








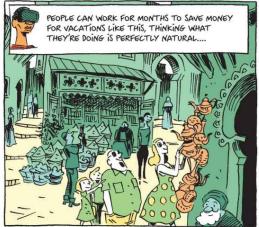






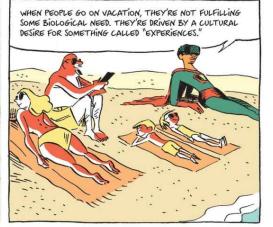


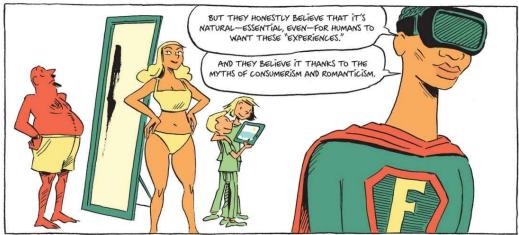


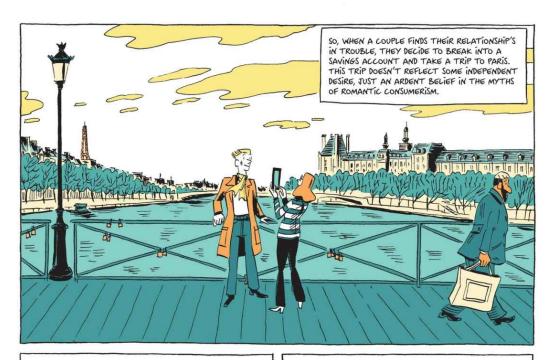




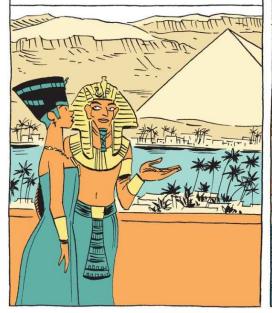








NEVER IN HIS WILDEST DREAMS WOULD A WEALTHY ANCIENT EGYPTIAN HAVE THOUGHT OF SOLVING A MARITAL CRISIS BY TAKING HIS WIFE ON VACATION TO BABYLON. NO, HE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE BUILT HER THE SUMPTUOUS TOMB SHE'D ALWAYS WANTED.



LIKE THE ANCIENT EGYPTIAN ELITE, MOST PEOPLE IN MOST CULTURES SPEND THEIR LIVES BUILDING PYRAMIDS. IT'S ONLY THE NAME, SHAPE AND SIZE OF THESE PYRAMIDS THAT DIFFER FROM ONE CULTURE TO ANOTHER.





SOMETHING OBJECTIVE
DOESN'T DEPEND ON
HUMAN CONSCIOUSNESS
AND BELIEFS AT
ALL. FOR EXAMPLE,
RADIOACTIVITY IS
OBJECTIVE.





SHE DIDN'T REALIZE RADIOACTIVITY COULD KILL HER... BUT SHE STILL DIED OF APLASTIC ANEMIA, A FATAL ILLNESS CAUSED BY OVEREXPOSURE TO RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS.



IN CONTRAST, SOMETHING SUBJECTIVE DEPENDS ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S CONSCIOUSNESS AND BELIEFS. IT EXISTS IN JUST ONE PERSON'S MIND. IF THAT PERSON CHANGES THEIR BELIEFS, THEN THAT SUBJECTIVE THING ALTERS OR DISAPPEARS....



FOR EXAMPLE, MANY CHILDREN BELIEVE IN AN IMAGINARY FRIEND THAT NO ONE ELSE IN THE WORLD CAN SEE OR HEAR.



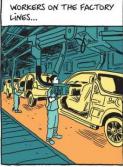






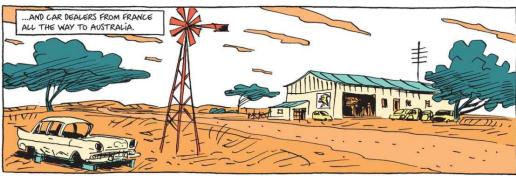


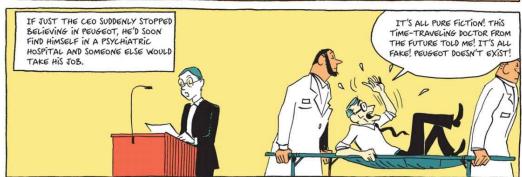


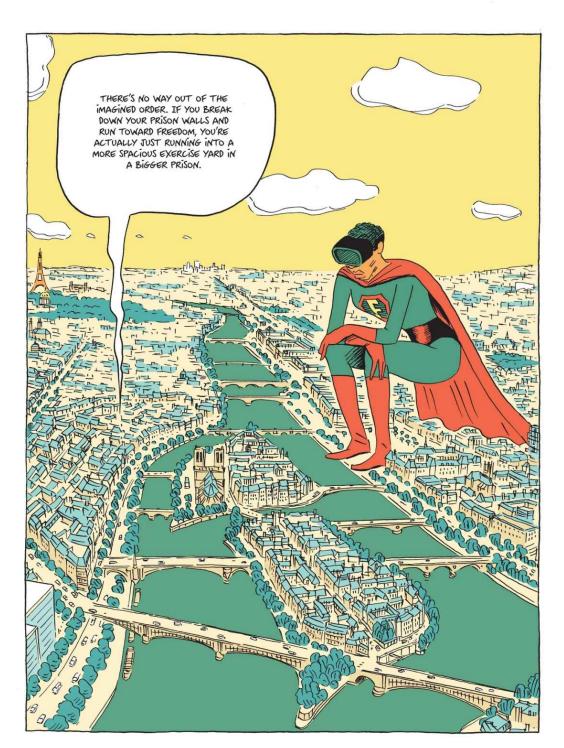
















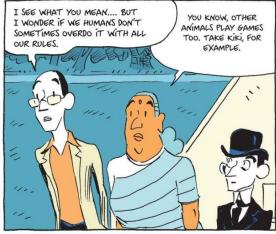
























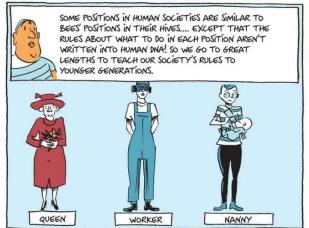


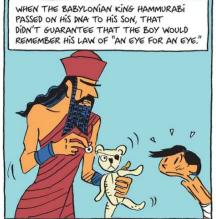






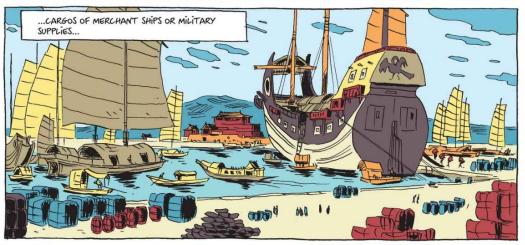


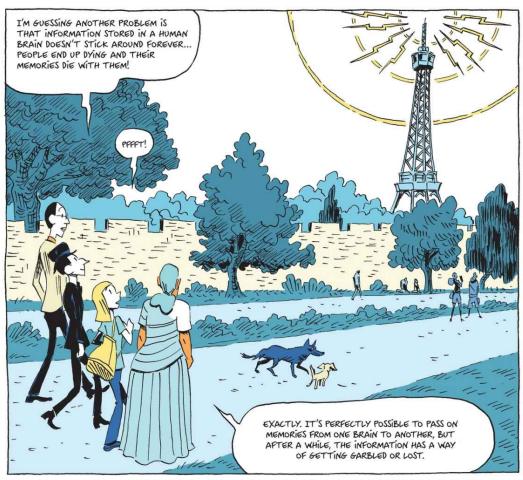




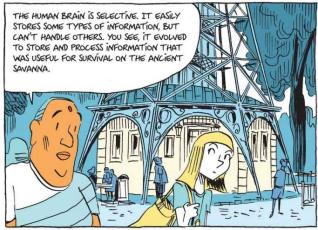


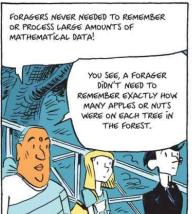


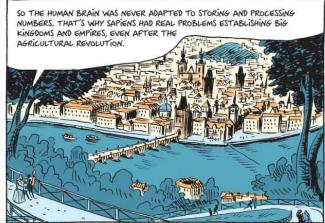












TO ACHIEVE THAT, THEY HAD TO FIND A SYSTEM FOR RECORDING AND PROCESSING LARGE AMOUNTS OF MATHEMATICAL DATA.



TELLING STORIES ABOUT GODS WAS NO LONGER ENOUGH. SURE, A GOOD STORY COULD HELP CONVINCE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE TO PAY THEIR TAXES MORE OR LESS HONESTLY. BUT FOR THE FISCAL SYSTEM TO WORK, IT NEEDED TO GATHER AND PROCESS ENDLESS INFORMATION ABOUT PEOPLES' INCOMES AND ASSETS, THEIR PAYMENTS, ARREARS, DEBTS AND FINES, AND THEIR DISCOUNTS AND EXEMPTIONS.



IF A STATE COULDN'T STORE AND PROCESS ALL THOSE NUMBERS, IT COULDN'T MAKE THE MOST OF ITS RESOURCES, OR EVEN KNOW WHAT ITS RESOURCES WERE!





AAAH... ALL THOSE LITTLE DOODLES GOVERNING THE WORLD AND MAKING US FOLLOW LAWS... IT ALL STARTED WITH THOSE SUMERIAN, ERM, GEEKS.

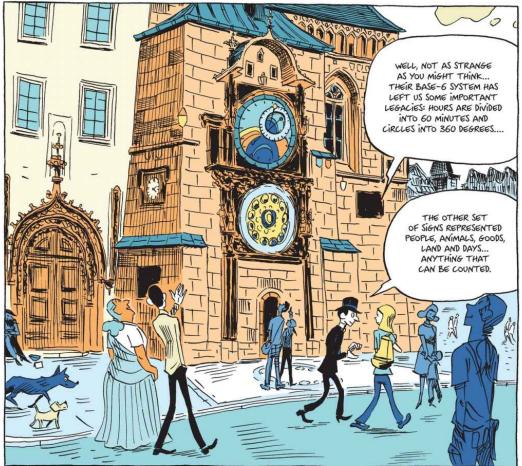


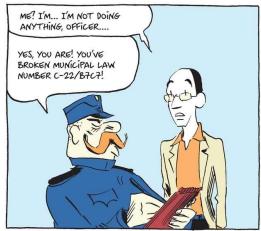
IT WAS THEIR IDEA TO WRITE DOWN INFORMATION BY IMPRINTING SIGNS ONTO CLAY TABLETS. EXTRAORDINARY, REALLY—PROBLEMS THAT HUMAN BRAIN CELLS COULDN'T HANDLE WERE SOLVED WITH WHAT AMOUNTED TO LUMPS OF MUD!



ONE SET OF SIGNS REPRESENTED NUMBERS, WITH SIGNS FOR 1, 10, 60, 600, 3,600 AND 36,000. YOU SEE, THE SUMERIAN NUMBERING SYSTEM WAS A COMBINATION OF BASE 6 AND BASE 10.











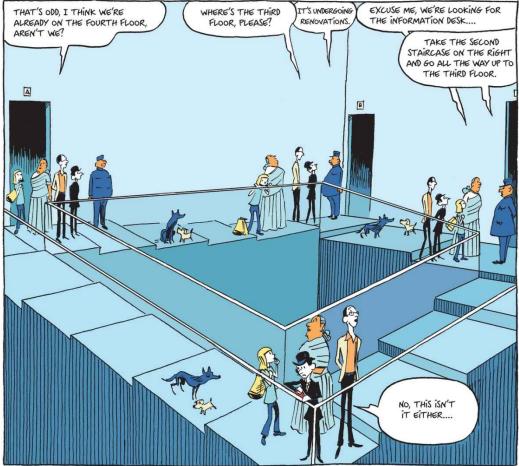


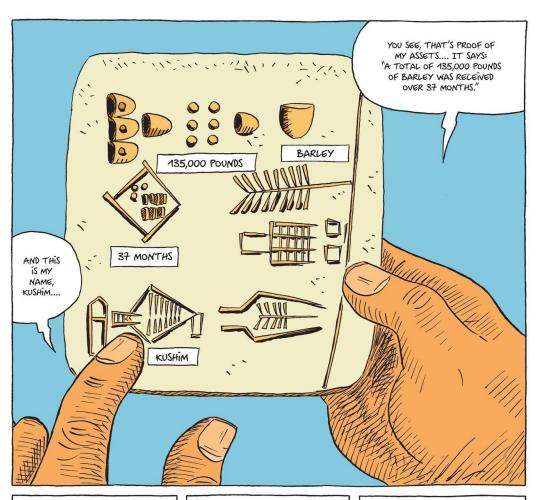










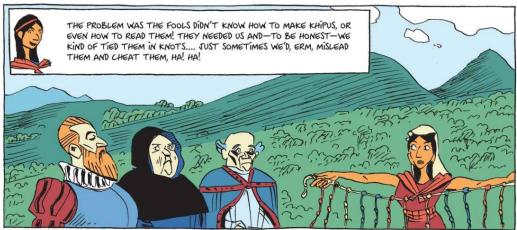




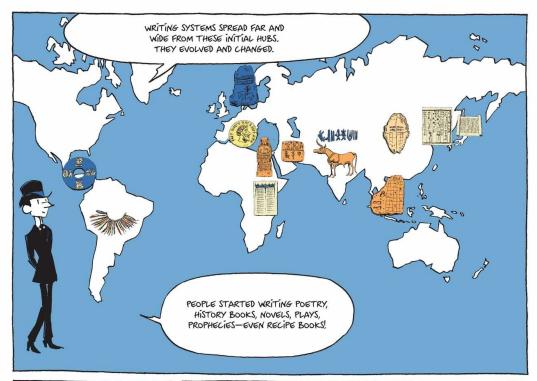




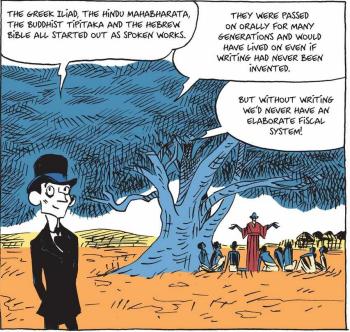










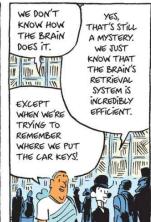








THE INFORMATION STORED IN A HUMAN BRAIN IS EASY TO RETRIEVE. THOUGH OUR BRAINS STORE BILLIONS OF BITS OF INFORMATION, WE CAN ALMOST INSTANTLY RECALL THE CAPITAL OF IRAQ AND IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARD REMEMBER OUR FIRST KISS.







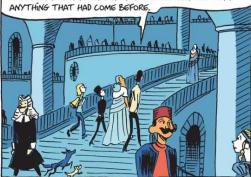


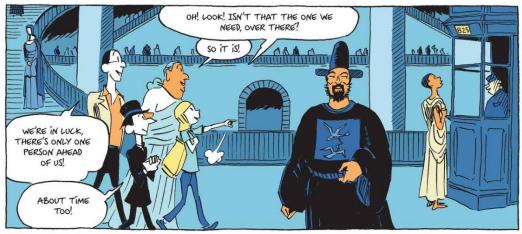


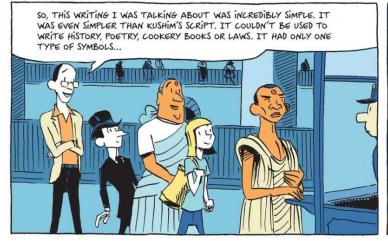
OVER THE CENTURIES, METHODS OF BUREAUCRATIC DATA PROCESSING GREW EVER MORE DIFFERENT FROM THE WAY HUMANS NATURALLY THINK—AND EVER MORE IMPORTANT, OF COURSE....



ONE PARTICULARLY MOMENTOUS SHIFT BEGAN SOME TIME BEFORE THE NINTH CENTURY CE, WHEN A NEW SCRIPT WAS INVENTED—A WONDER SCRIPT THAT COULD STORE AND PROCESS MATHEMATICAL DATA MORE EFFICIENTLY THAN









PRAŽJKÝ

ON TV1 at 8 pm | SERIES ***

THE NUMBER GOLEM The servant that enslaved its masters!

Recap of season 1

Its language is made up of just ten little signs but it has mesmerized humans the world over! Whether they speak Arabic, Hindi, English or Norwegian, almost all countries, businesses and organizations have turned to Number Golem to record and process their data!





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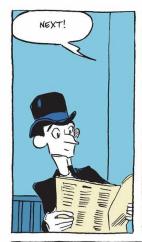




THE PRISONERS OF 01

Imagine a world where computers have munication!

The chart-topping Prisoners of 01 is the It all started in the Euphrates Valley 5,000 Humans can no longer make sense of science fiction hit that's making waves! years ago when Sumerian geeks out- their world. Like Bill and Cindy, they've sourced data-processing from the human become prisoners of CLOUD_01, a new overtaken humans in the very field that brain to clay tablets. In a mysterious village world leader, a monstrous cloud made allowed Homo Sapiens to become mas- in Silicon Valley, this process reaches its up of an incalculable succession of zeros ters of the world: Intelligence and compeak thanks to a far more elaborate type and ones! of tablet





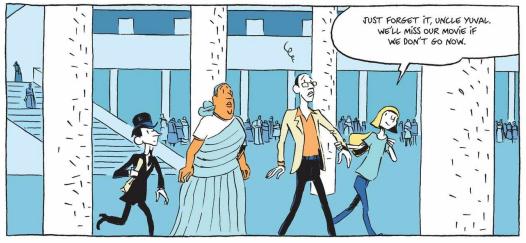


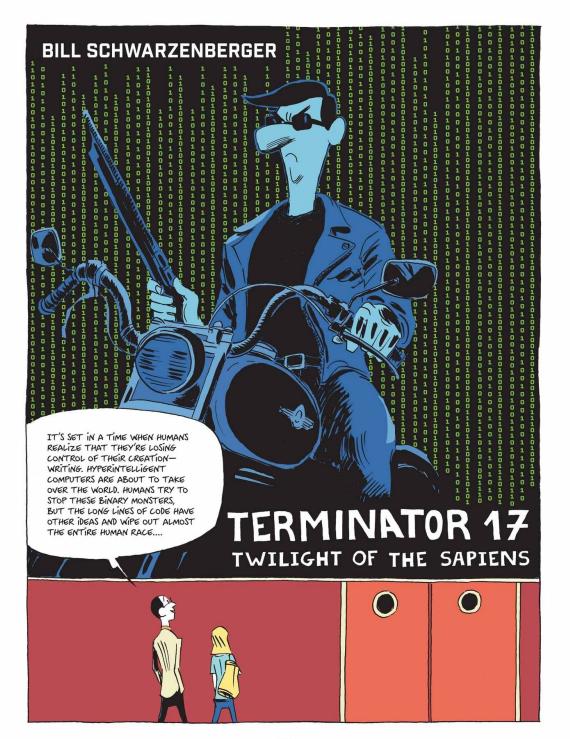
YOU'RE IN LUCK, MISTER! I SEE THAT A NEW R-14B JUST CAME THROUGH. YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE TROUBLED YOURSELF. SO YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT THIS ANYMORE.











THE CABINET OF DOCTOR FICTION





















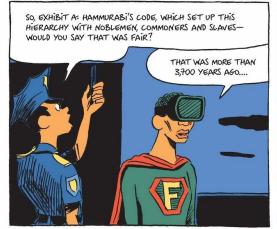










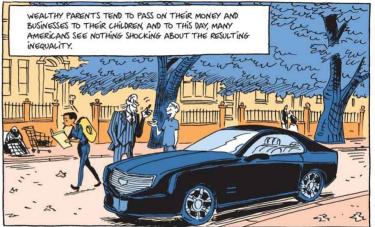










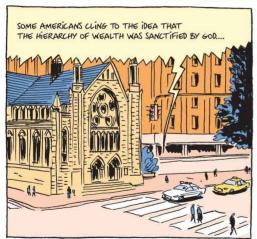


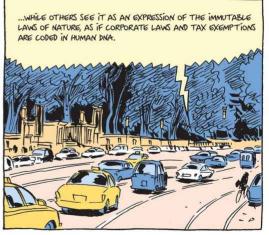
THE FACT THAT POOR KIDS GET WORSE EDUCATION, WORSE HEALTHCARE AND FAR FEWER OPPORTUNITIES IN LIFE SEEMS PERFECTLY FAIR.

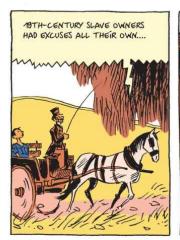








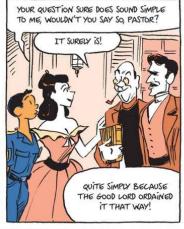




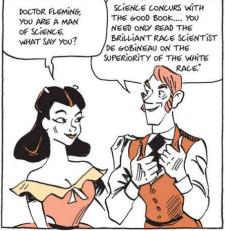












"ARTHUR DE GOBINGAUS THE MORAL AND INTELLECTUAL DIVERSITY OF RACES (1855)



























































.DIFFERENT PEOPLE ARE BOUND TO HAVE DIFFERENT ABILITIES, SO THEY REACH

DIFFERENT RUNGS ON THE SOCIAL LADDER AND GET DIFFERENT PERKS. IT'S TOTALLY









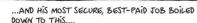


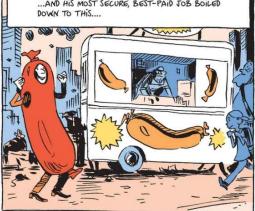




ADAMSKI'S BROTHER HAD A RAW DEAL, TRAILING FROM ONE ORPHANAGE TO ANOTHER. HIS FOSTER FAMILY DID BASICALLY NOTHING TO HELP HIM, HIS SCHOOLING WAS ... LET'S SAY CHAOTIC ...







THE ADAMSKI YOU KNOW GREW UP IN A TOTALLY DIFFERENT ENVIRONMENT. HIS PARENTS WERE SUPER-RICH. HE WAS RAISED WITH A SILVER SPOON IN HIS MOUTH AND WAS LAVISHED WITH THE MOST EXPENSIVE PRIVATE EDUCATION.



HE GREW UP TO BE A BRILLIANT LAWYER WHO



OK, I GEDDIT. SO THEY HAVE THE SAME GENES BUT HAD DIFFERENT OPPORTUNITIES ... AND FICTIONAL STORIES DETERMINE WHO GETS WHICH OPPORTUNITIES.







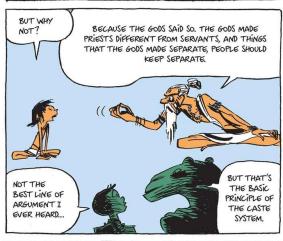










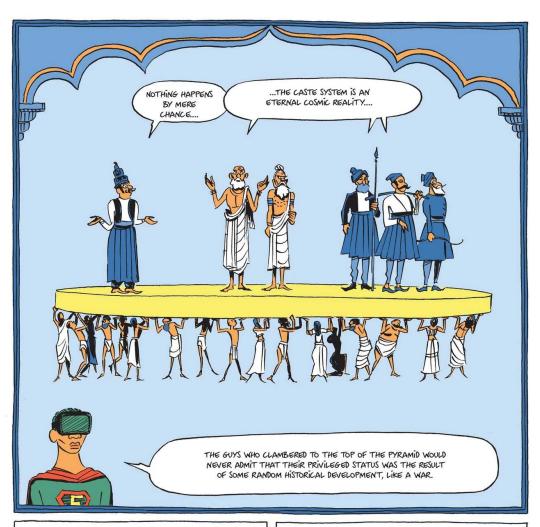








VERY GOOD! AND MAKE SURE YOU TALK TO THEM



TO KEEP THE SYSTEM STABLE AND PREVENT DIFFERENT CASTES FROM MIXING, A MAGICAL INGREDIENT WAS ADDED TO THE SOCIAL RECIPE THE CONCEPT OF PURITY AND POLLUTION!



Pious Hindus were taught that close contact with someone of a different caste could pollute them personally, and general mixing of castes would make the whole of society impure.



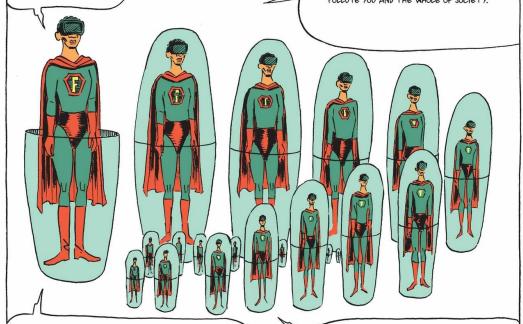
IN INDIA, THE LINK BETWEEN CASTE AND PURITY BECAME SO DEEPLY EMBEDDED THAT PEOPLE BELIEVED IN IT FOR CENTURIES.





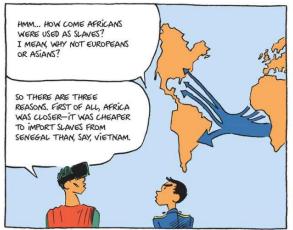
OVER TIME, HINDUS DEFINED MORE AND MORE CASTES, SUB-CASTES AND SUB-SUB-CASTES. EVENTUALLY, THERE WERE, LIKE, 3,000 OF THESE GROUPINGS! THESE WERE CALLED JATI, WHICH, IF YOU TRANSLATE IT LITERALLY, MEANS "BIRTH."

BUT ALL THAT DIVERSITY DIDN'T CHANGE THE MAIN PRINCIPLE OF THE SYSTEM. EVERY PERSON WAS BORN INTO A PARTICULAR JATI, AND BREACHING THE ROLES OF YOUR JATI WOULD POLLUTE YOU AND THE WHOLE OF SOCIETY.



A PERSON'S JAT'I DETERMINED THEIR JOB, WHAT THEY COULD EAT, WHERE THEY LIVED AND WHO THEY COULD MARRY....

JUST LIKE LIONMAN SAID, YOU COULD USUALLY MARRY ONLY SOMEONE IN YOUR OWN CASTE, AND YOUR KIDS INHERITED THE SAME STATUS.

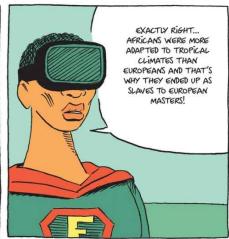




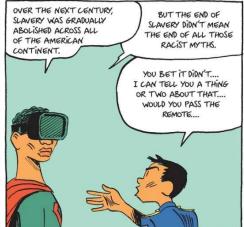
AND THIRD, PLANTATIONS IN PLACES LIKE VIRGINIA, JAMAICA AND BRAZIL ALL HAD OUTBREAKS OF MALARIA AND YELLOW FEVER, WHICH CAME ORIGINALLY FROM AFRICA. OVER MANY GENERATIONS AFRICANS HAD BUILT UP PARTIAL IMMUNITY TO THESE TROPICAL DISEASES WHILE DEFENSELESS EUROPEANS DIED IN THE THOUSANDS.





















THIS BLACK TEENAGER BORN IN ATLANTA IN 4865 HAD WAY LESS CHANCE OF GETTING A GOOD EDUCATION AND FINDING WELL-PAID WORK THAN A WHITE BOY THE SAME AGE.

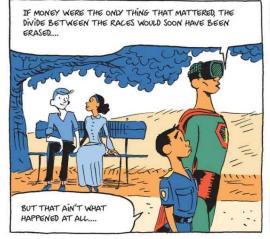






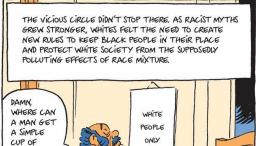
BESIDES, THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION AND HUGE WAVES OF IMMIGRATION MADE THE STATES A SUPER-FLUID SOCIETY, SO ANY OLD RAGS COULD TURN INTO A MIGHTY FINE THREE-PIECE SUIT....







"JOSH WHITE GRANDPA



THIS NEW REGIME OF RACIAL SEGREGATION WAS KNOWN AS THE "TIM CROW LAWS," AFTER THE FICTITIOUS CHARACTER JIM CROW, WHO EMBODIED RACIST STEREOTYPES ABOUT BLACK PEOPLE.



THESE LAWS WERE JUSTIFIED BY RACIST MYTHS—AND IN TURN STRENGTHENED THOSE MYTHS.

COFFEE.

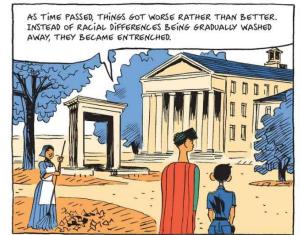




BLACK CHILDREN WERE BANNED FROM WHITE SCHOOLS.











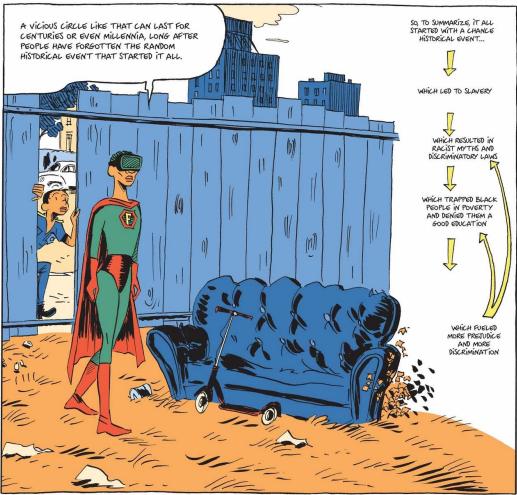


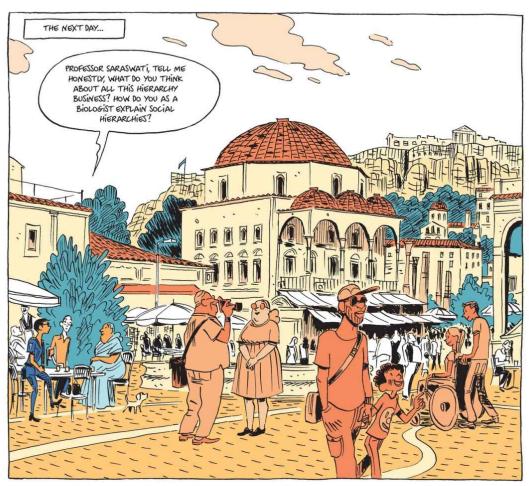


LOCK HIM UP IN A MENTAL ASYLUM! A BLACK MAN MUST SURELY BE INSANE TO THINK HE COULD ENROLL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI....





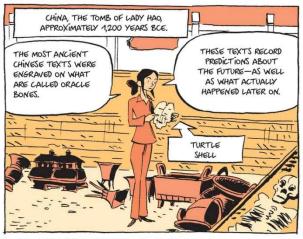








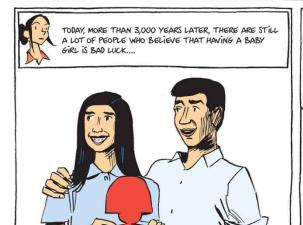


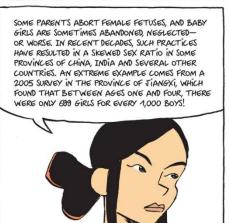












BEING A HUSBAND MEANT HAVING COMPLETE CONTROL OF YOUR WIFE'S SEXUALITY. SAYING A MAN HAD "RAPED" HIS WIFE WAS AS ILLOGICAL AS SAYING HE'D STOLEN FROM HIS OWN MONEY BAG.







WELL, THERE ARE OBVIOUS BIOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE SEXES. GIVING BIRTH HAS ALWAYS BEEN WOMEN'S PREROGATIVE... FOR THE SIMPLE REASON THAT YOU NEED A WOMB FOR IT.

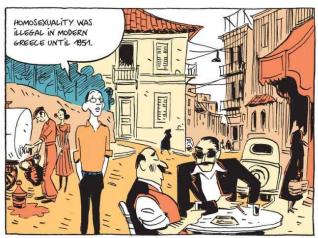


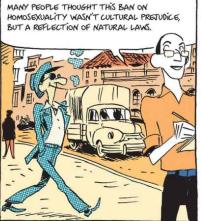


BUT EVERY SOCIETY HAS TAKEN THIS KERNEL OF UNIVERSAL TRUTH AND THEN ADDED LAYERS AND LAYERS OF CULTURAL IDEAS AND NORMS THAT HAVE VERY LITTLE TO DO WITH BIOLOGY....



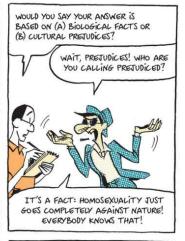








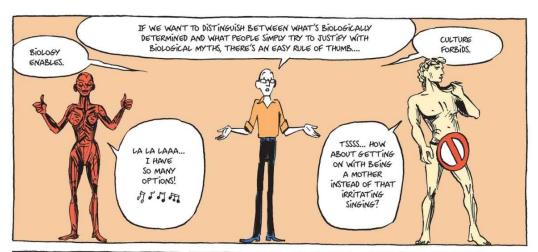








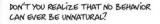








WELL, NATURE GAVE YOU A BRAIN



IF I DON'T HAVE ANY KIDS—NATURE'S FINE WITH THAT. AND IF I DECIDE TO DROP YOU AND TRY A RELATIONSHIP WITH A WOMAN—NATURE WON'T OBJECT TO THAT EITHER!



EVERYTHING THAT'S POSSIBLE IS NATURAL—BY DEFINITION!



BUT ..



THINGS THAT BREAK THE

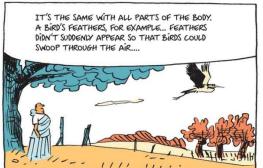
LAWS OF NATURE JUST





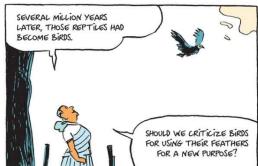














BIOLOGICALLY, HUMANS ARE CATEGORIZED ALONG A MALE-FEMALE SPECTRUM.... MOST MALE SAPIENS HAVE ONE X CHROMOSOME AND ONE Y CHROMOSOME, WHILE MOST FEMALES HAVE TWO X CHROMOSOMES.

MALE XY TESTOSTERONE TESTICLES FEMALE XX ESTROGEN UTERUS BUT WHEN PEOPLE SAY "MAN" OR "WOMAN" THEY'RE USUALLY REFERRING TO A SOCIAL CONSTRUCT, NOT A BIOLOGICAL CATEGORY. A MAN ISN'T A SAPIENS WITH XY CHROMOSOMES, BUT SOMEONE WHO'S ASSIGNED SOCIALLED MASCULINE ROLES, RIGHTS AND DUTIES BY SOCIETY. WHILE A WOMAN ISN'T A SAPIENS WITH XX CHROMOSOMES, BUT SOMEONE WHO PLAYS A FEMININE ROLE IN THE IMAGINED ORDER OF SOCIETY.

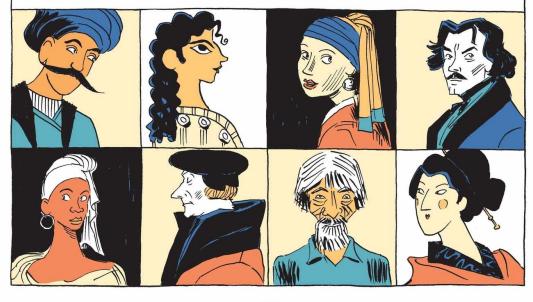








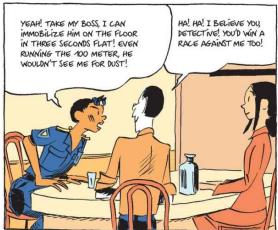
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S ROLES, RIGHTS AND DUTIES ARE DEFINED BY CULTURAL STORIES RATHER THAN BIOLOGY, SO THE MEANINGS OF "MASCULINITY" AND "FEMININITY" HAVE VARIED IMMENSELY FROM ONE SOCIETY TO ANOTHER. JUST LOOK HOW THEY DRESS!

















AND ANYWAY, WHAT'S THE CONNECTION BETWEEN MUSCLE POWER AND, SAY, FORBIDDING WOMEN FROM SERVING AS JUDGES? I MEAN, EXACTLY HOW MUCH MUSCLE POWER DO YOU NEED TO SIT AROUND IN A BIG CHAIR ALL DAY LISTENING TO ADAMSKI'S ENDLESS SPEECHES?



BUT WHEN IT CAME TO CLEANING FLOORS OR WORKING IN FIELDS, EVERYBODY ALWAYS THOUGHT WOMEN HAD PLENTY OF MUSCLE POWER.









SO IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT THE CHAIN OF POWER WITHIN OUR SPECIES IS ALSO DETERMINED MORE BY SOCIAL ABILITIES THAN BICEP SIZE.





THERE'S A THEORY THAT SUGGESTS THAT MASCULINE DOMINANCE RESULTS FROM AGGRESSION RATHER THAN STRENETH. MILLIONS OF YEARS OF EVOLUTION HAVE MADE MEN FAR MORE WILLING TO ENGAGE IN PHYSICAL VIOLENCE...







YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT THAT THE MILITARY TOP BRASS OFTEN CAME FROM A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT BACKGROUND THAN THE SIMPLE GRUNTS. IN 18TH-CENTURY EUROPE, FOR EXAMPLE, ALMOST ALL THE GENERALS WERE ARISTOCRATS WHO NEVER SERVED A SINGLE DAY AS COMMON SOLDIERS.



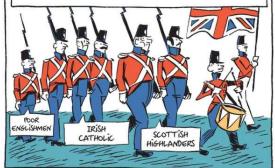
WHEN THE FUTURE DUKE OF WELLINGTON ENLISTED IN THE BRITISH ARMY AT 17, THE YOUNG ARISTOCRAT WAS IMMEDIATELY COMMISSIONED AS AN OFFICER.



AND THE "IRON DUKE" WAS VERY AWARE THAT HE WASN'T FROM THE SAME BACKGROUND AS THE FOOT SOLDIERS UNDER HIS COMMAND. DURING HIS BATTLES AGAINST NAPOLEON HE WROTE TO ANOTHER ARISTOCRAT....



THE COMMON SOLDIERS WERE USUALLY RECRUITED FROM AMONG THE POOR AND ETHNIC MINORITIES. THEY HAD VERY LITTLE CHANCE OF WORKING THEIR WAY UP THE RANKS TO BE, SAY, A COLONEL.

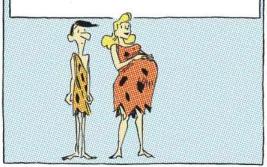








AND THEN THERE'S A THIRD POPULAR THEORY. IT SUGGESTS THAT THE INEQUALITIES BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN ARE NOT TO DO WITH MEN'S VIOLENCE AND BRUTE FORCE BUT ARE BECAUSE MEN AND WOMEN EVOLVED DIFFERENT REPRODUCTIVE STRATEGIES.





OVER TIME, IT WAS THE MOST AMBITIOUS, AGGRESSIVE AND COMPETITIVE MEN WHO PASSED ON THEIR MALE GENES TO FUTURE GENERATIONS.

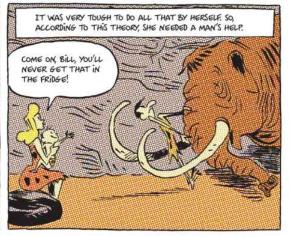


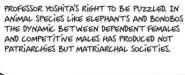
THIS STRATEGY WOULD HAVE BEEN POINTLESS FOR A WOMAN. SHE HAD NO TROUBLE FINDING MEN WILLING TO IMPREGNATE HER....



BUT HER GENES WOULDN'T HAVE GONE FAR IF SHE DIDN'T CARRY THE FETUS FOR NINE DIFFICULT MONTHS AND THEN NURTURED HER CHILD FOR MANY YEARS TO COME











FEMALE BONOBOS USE THESE SKILLS TO BUILD STRONG NETWORKS OF FEMALE FRIENDS WHO HELP ONE ANOTHER.



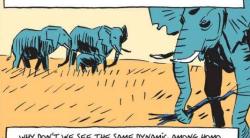
MEANWHILE, THE MALES SPEND THEIR TIME FIGHTING AND COMPETING AMONG THEMSELVES. THIS MEANS THE MALES DON'T DEVELOP THEIR COOPERATIVE SKILLS AND DON'T FORM MANY STRONG FRIENDSHIPS.



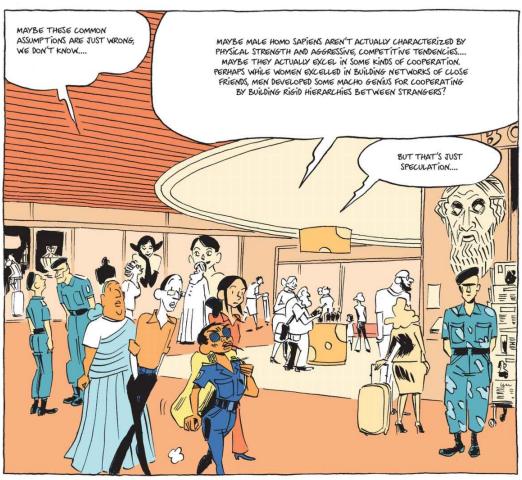
SO BONOBO SOCIETIES ARE DOMINATED BY FEMALE
NETWORKS. BONOBO MALES ARE BIGGER AND STRONGER
THAN THE FEMALES, BUT IF A MALE MISTREATS A
FEMALE, HER FRIENDS ARE VERY QUICK TO HELP HER AND
TEACH THE BULLY A LESSON.



IT'S THE SAME WITH AFRICAN ELEPHANTS. THEIR SOCIETIES ARE CONTROLLED BY DOMINANT FEMALES WHO MAKE ALL THE MAJOR DECISIONS ABOUT WHERE THE HERD WILL GO.



WHY DON'T WE SEE THE SAME DYNAMIC AMONG HOMO SAPIENS? WE DON'T KNOW.



















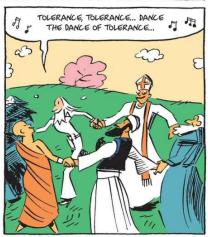










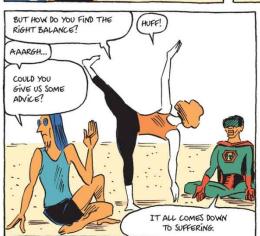


















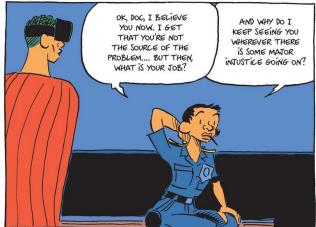


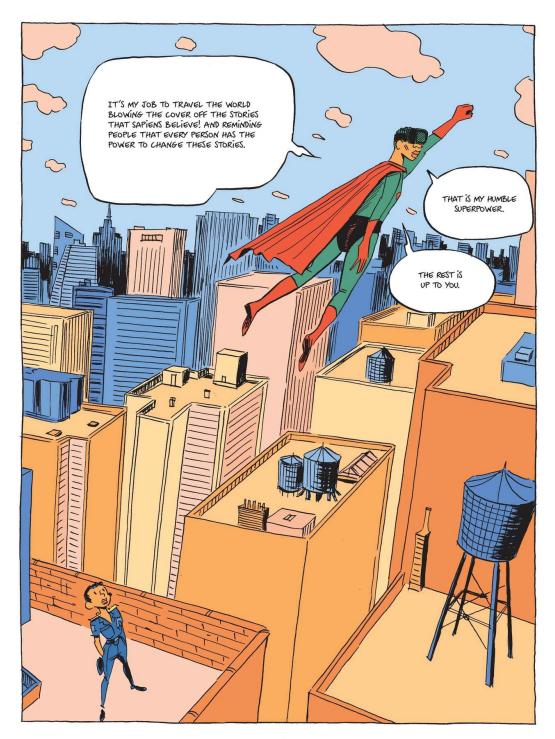












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