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Sheesh! Forget it. I wouldn't expect an old nerd like you to understand.



Old?!

I see, you didn't argue with the nerd part.

Old?!



Look, unless you plan on taking me to the Vice Principal's office so he can give me detention or something, I can make it to class just fine alone.

You still haven't convinced me you're just late. What were you doing with those other guys anyway?



It's just hard getting around on these crutches, 'kay? I was getting some help but I hadda wait till they were done lighting up.



Why don't your parents give you a ride to school?

You're just gonna make me more late. I wish you'd have just busted me or something. Later.

Just a minute, young lady.

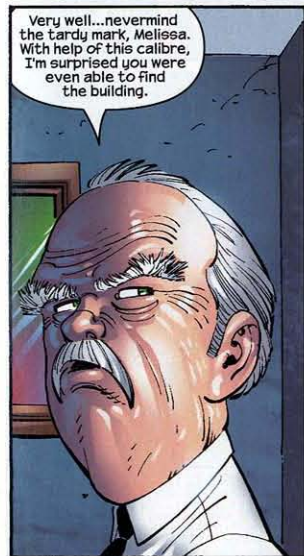
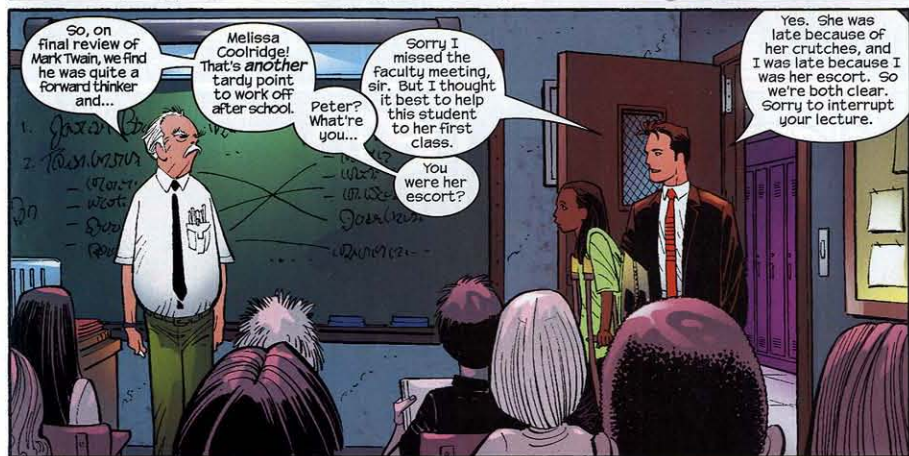


I have a name. Melissa. I'd rather you used it.



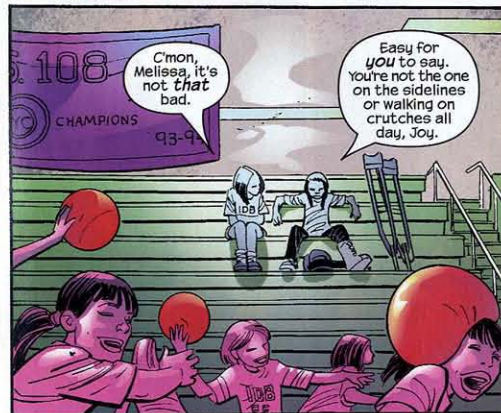
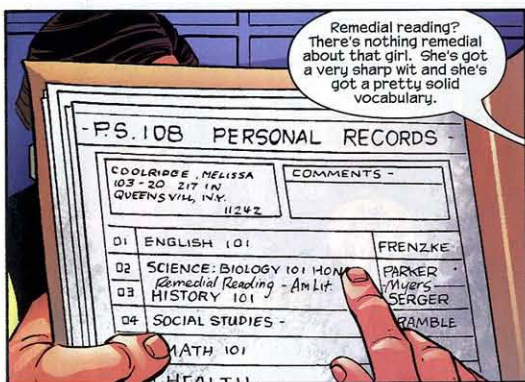
Okay, Melissa. I have an obligation as a teacher in this school to see you safely to class.

Fine, yeah, whatever.





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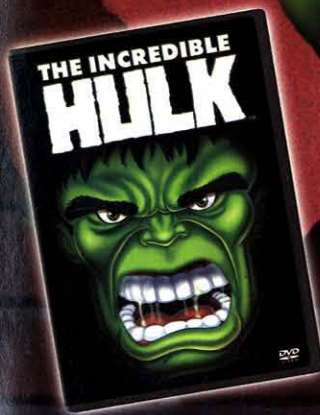
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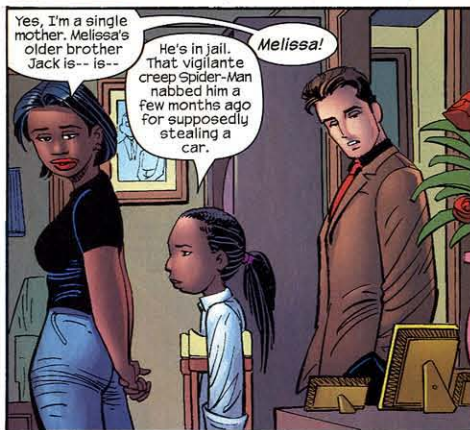
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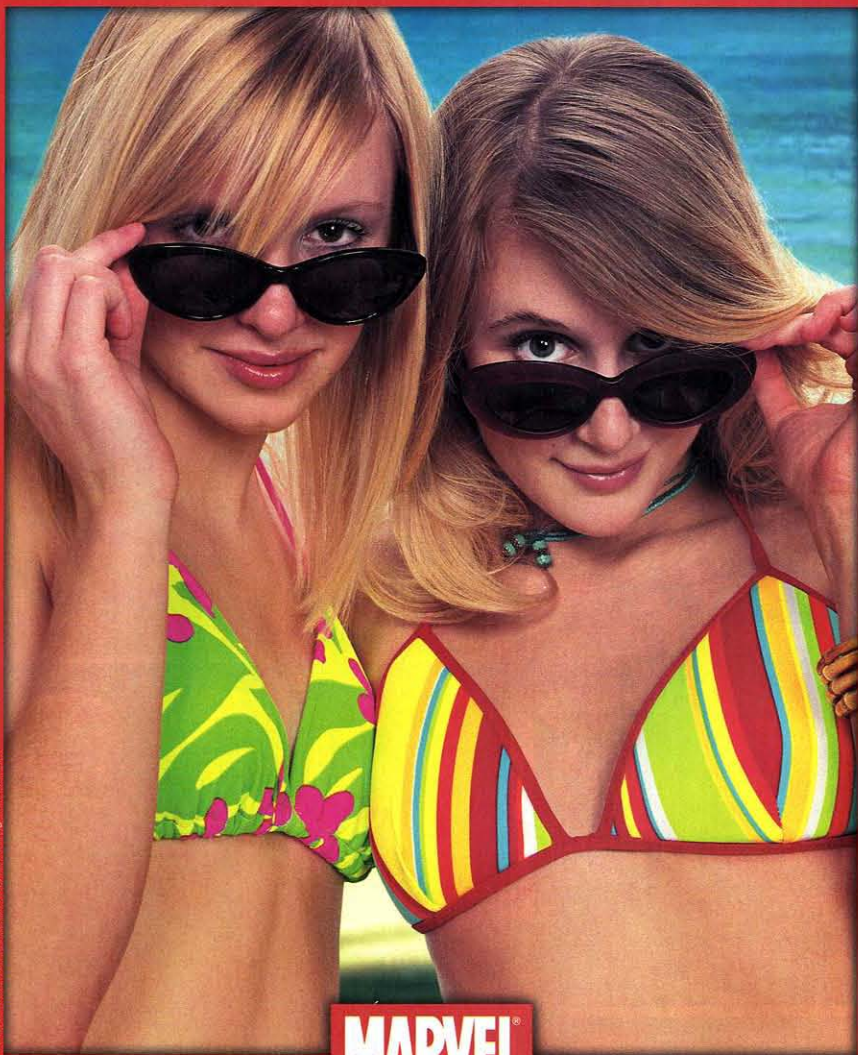
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I tell her about it. All of it--from helping Melissa at school, to taking out the thugs at her home, hearing how her mom eked out a living, and then realizing I put her older brother away for carjacking a few months earlier.



So, if you helped make the problem, I guess you kinda have to fix it.

I didn't say I made the problem.

Nope. You didn't.

Nuts...



30 Minutes later across town...

Would be this kid's first pay-back too.

But I really didn't like losing my teeth.

I say we let the old landlord here decide if we go back and rough anyone up. Then he won't beat us up for beating anyone up we shouldn't have...



We still got a lot of good stuff though. Ought to take care of the back-rent, easy.



How was business today?

We, er-- it wasn't great, but we made your money back.



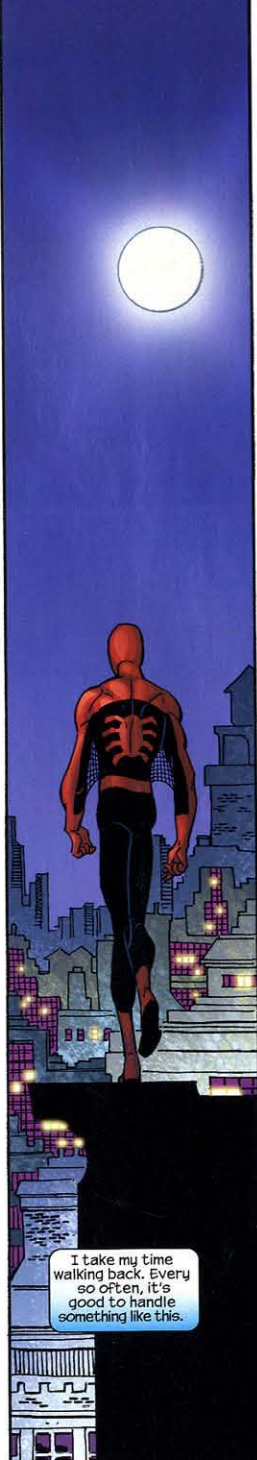
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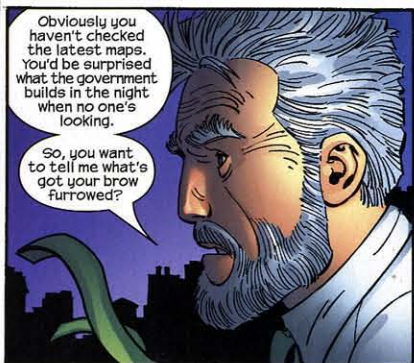
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