

THE ADVENTURES OF
WATER TRUCK OPERATOR OAKLEY

AND THE MISSING WATER TRUCK





This comic is the eleventh in a series of comic books created by First Nations Technical Services Advisory Group to teach students in grade 3-6 about the Superheroes who make and keep our water safe to use.

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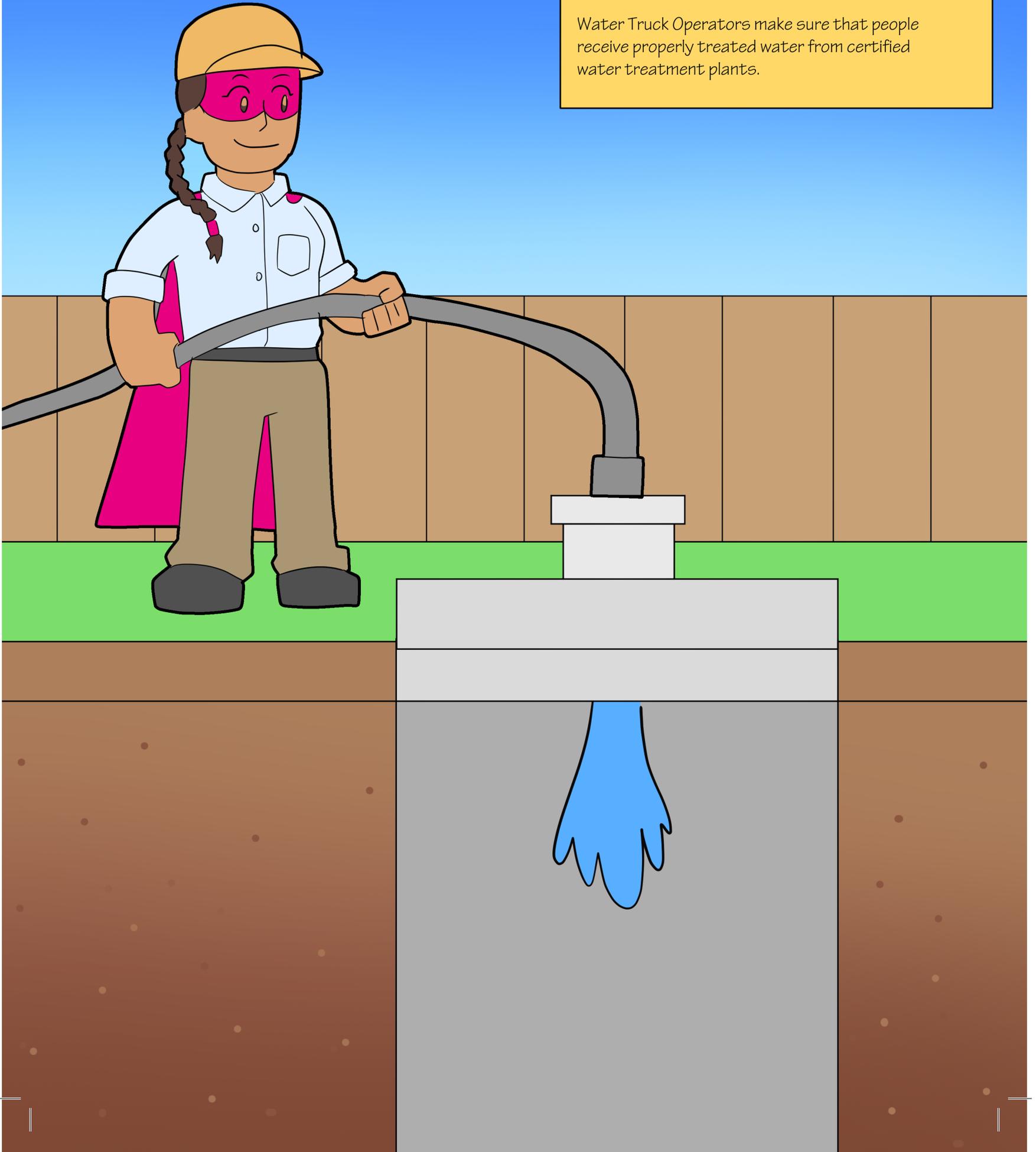
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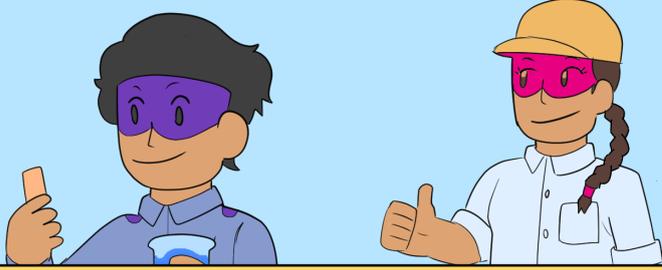


People who live in First Nations communities often have cisterns to hold the water they use everyday. Cisterns do not fill themselves. Instead they rely on Water Truck Operators to bring water to fill them.

Water Truck Operators make sure that people receive properly treated water from certified water treatment plants.

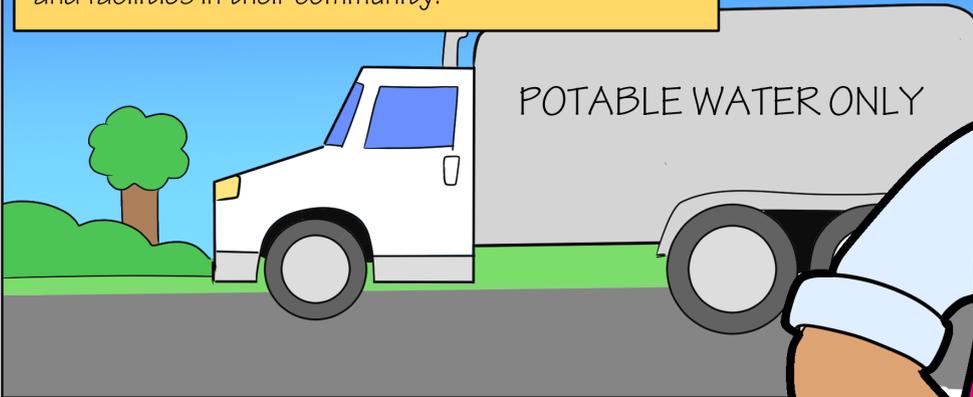


Water Truck Operators have many responsibilities. Some of them are:



to work cooperatively with the Community Based Water Monitor (CBWM) for regular testing to monitor water quality.

to deliver clean, safe water to the homes, businesses, and facilities in their community.

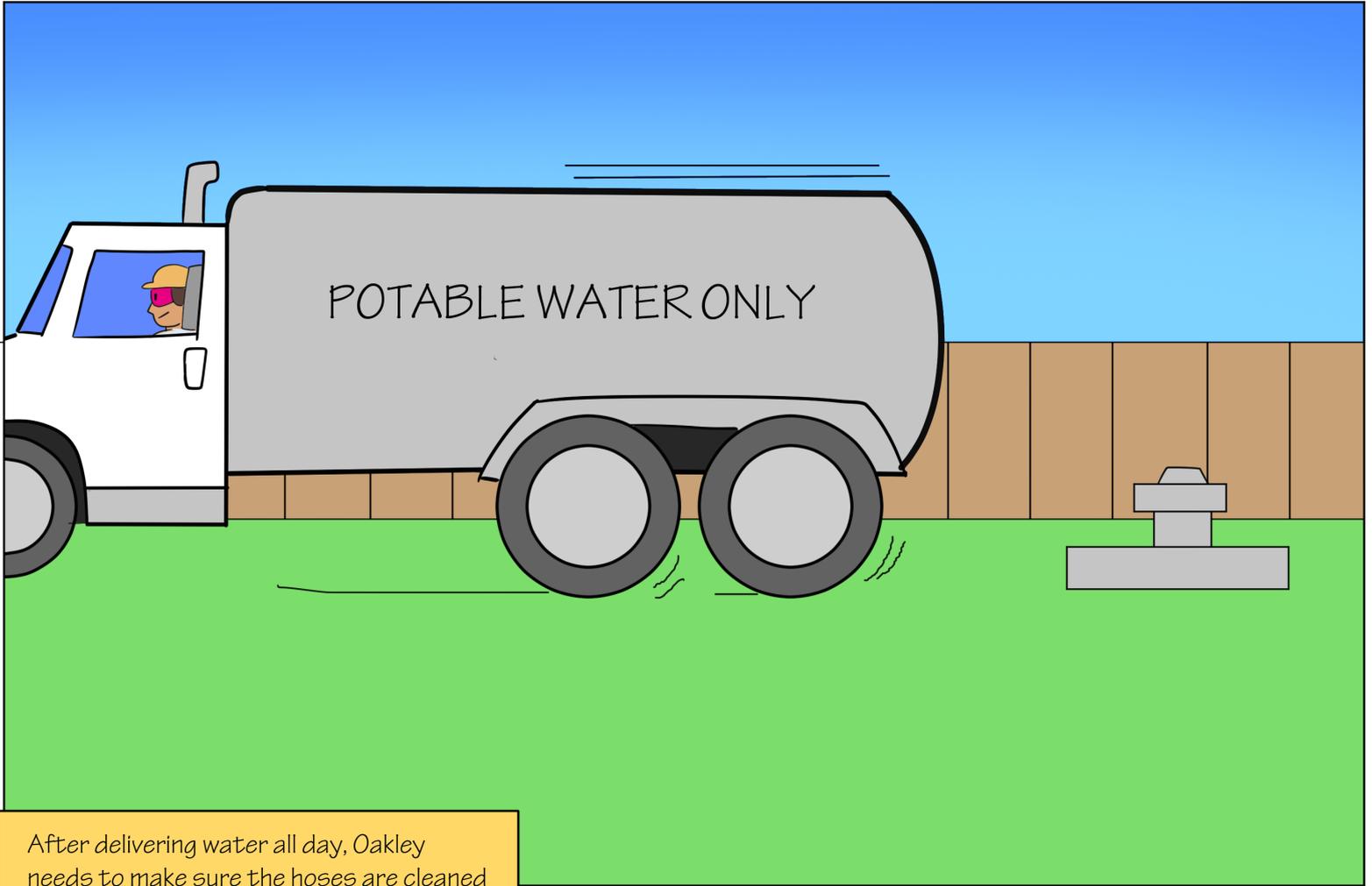


to test the chlorine levels in the water they deliver.

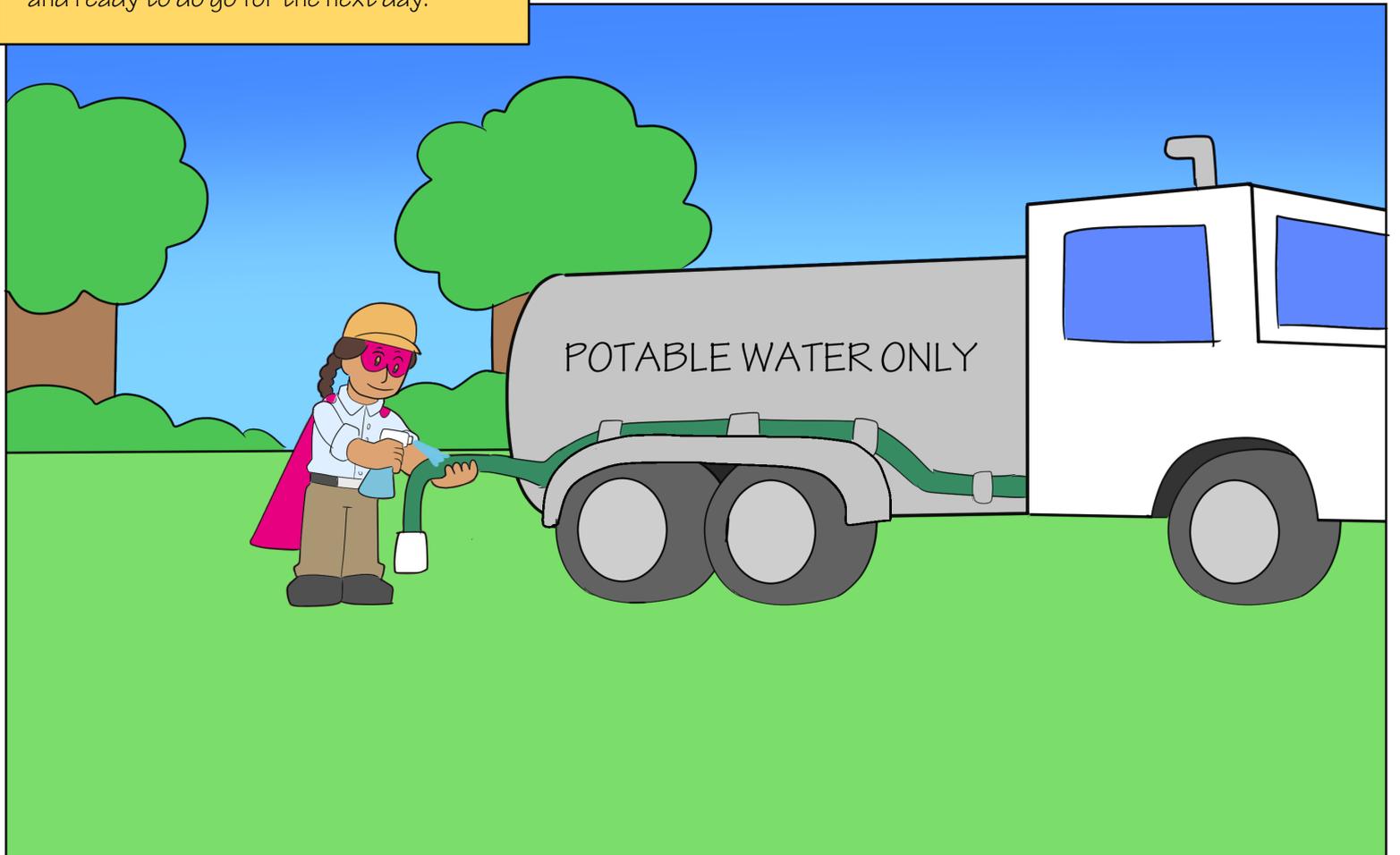


to keep accurate records of water deliveries, water testing, fuel use, and maintenance.

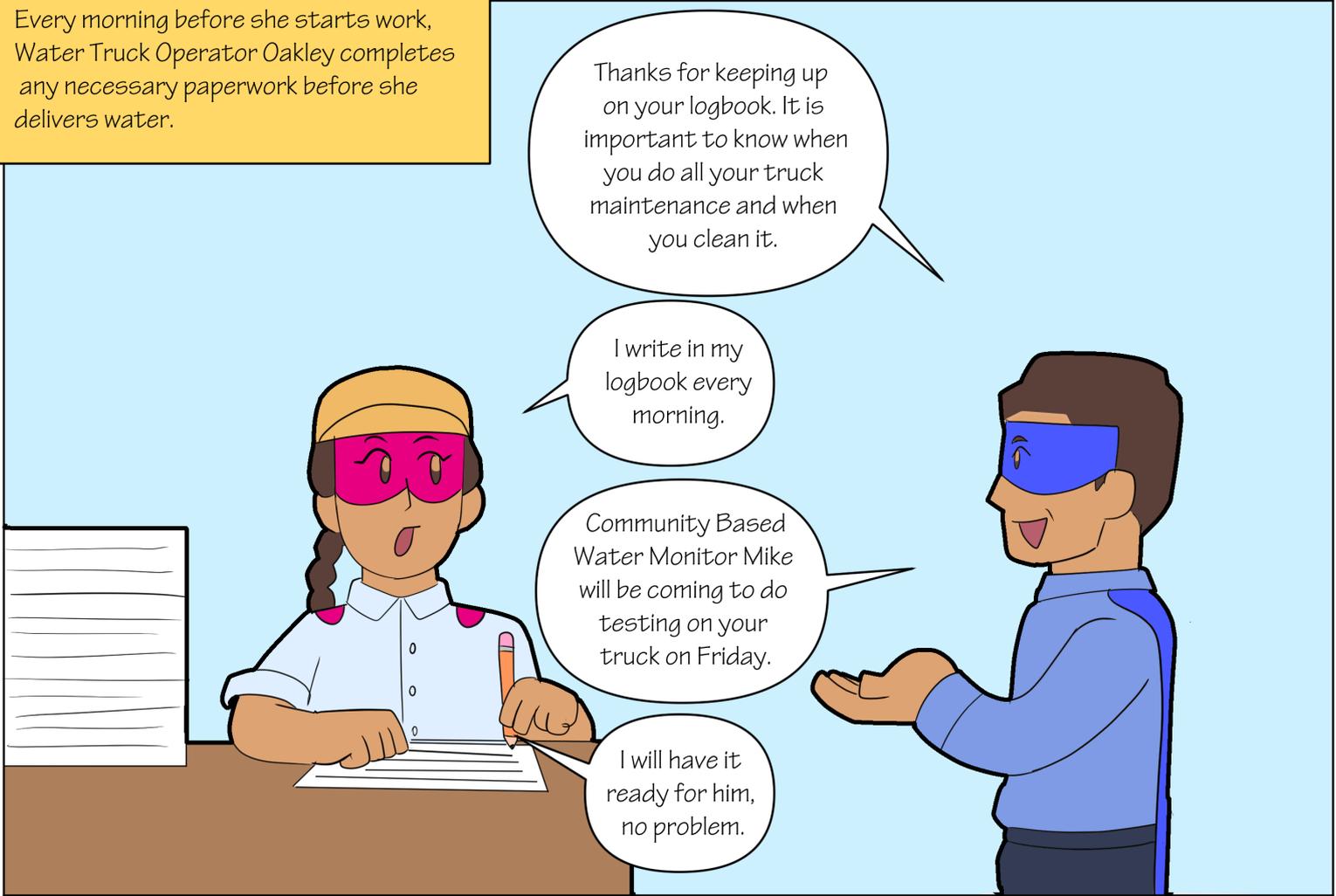




After delivering water all day, Oakley needs to make sure the hoses are cleaned and ready to do go for the next day.



Every morning before she starts work, Water Truck Operator Oakley completes any necessary paperwork before she delivers water.

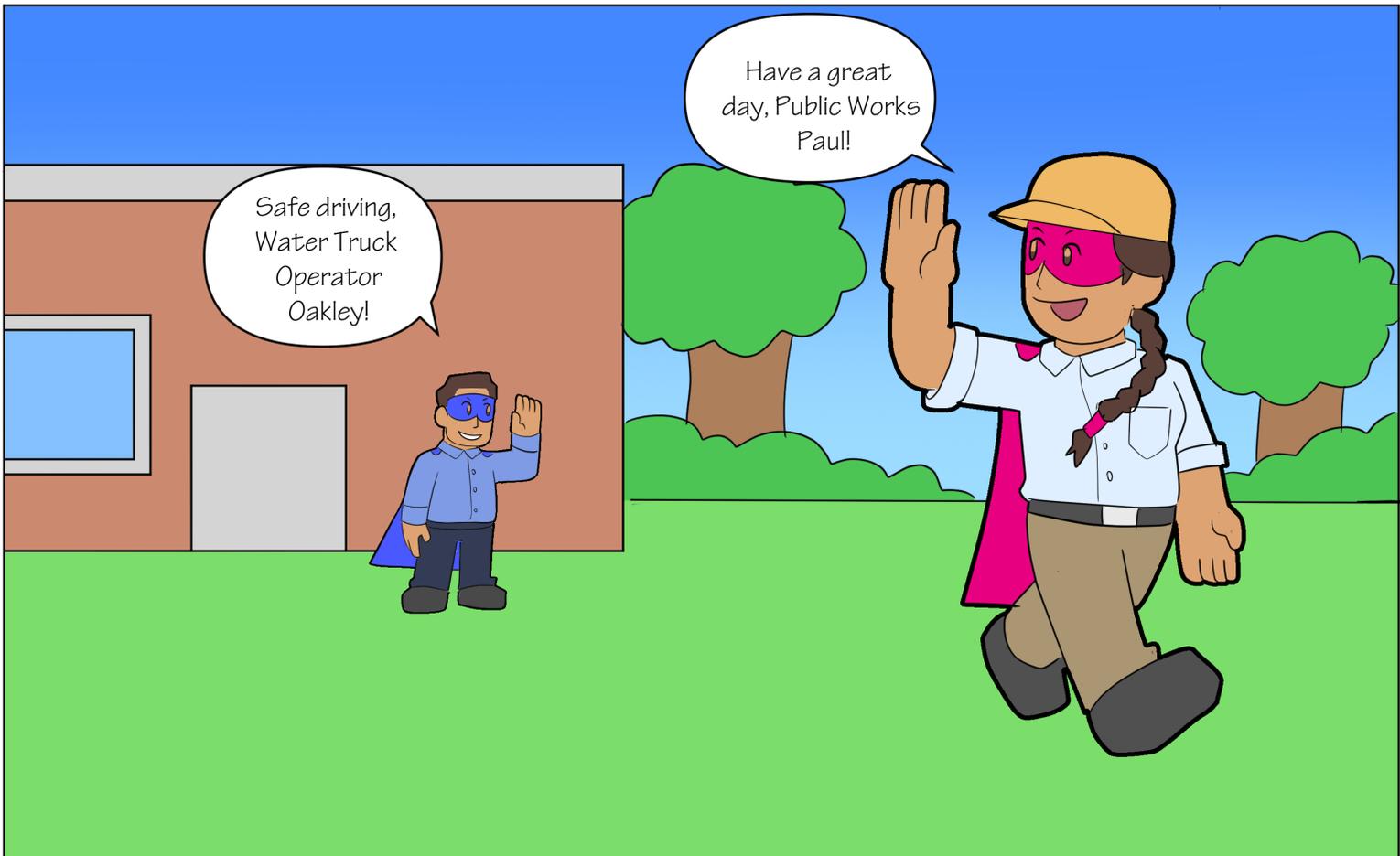


Thanks for keeping up on your logbook. It is important to know when you do all your truck maintenance and when you clean it.

I write in my logbook every morning.

Community Based Water Monitor Mike will be coming to do testing on your truck on Friday.

I will have it ready for him, no problem.



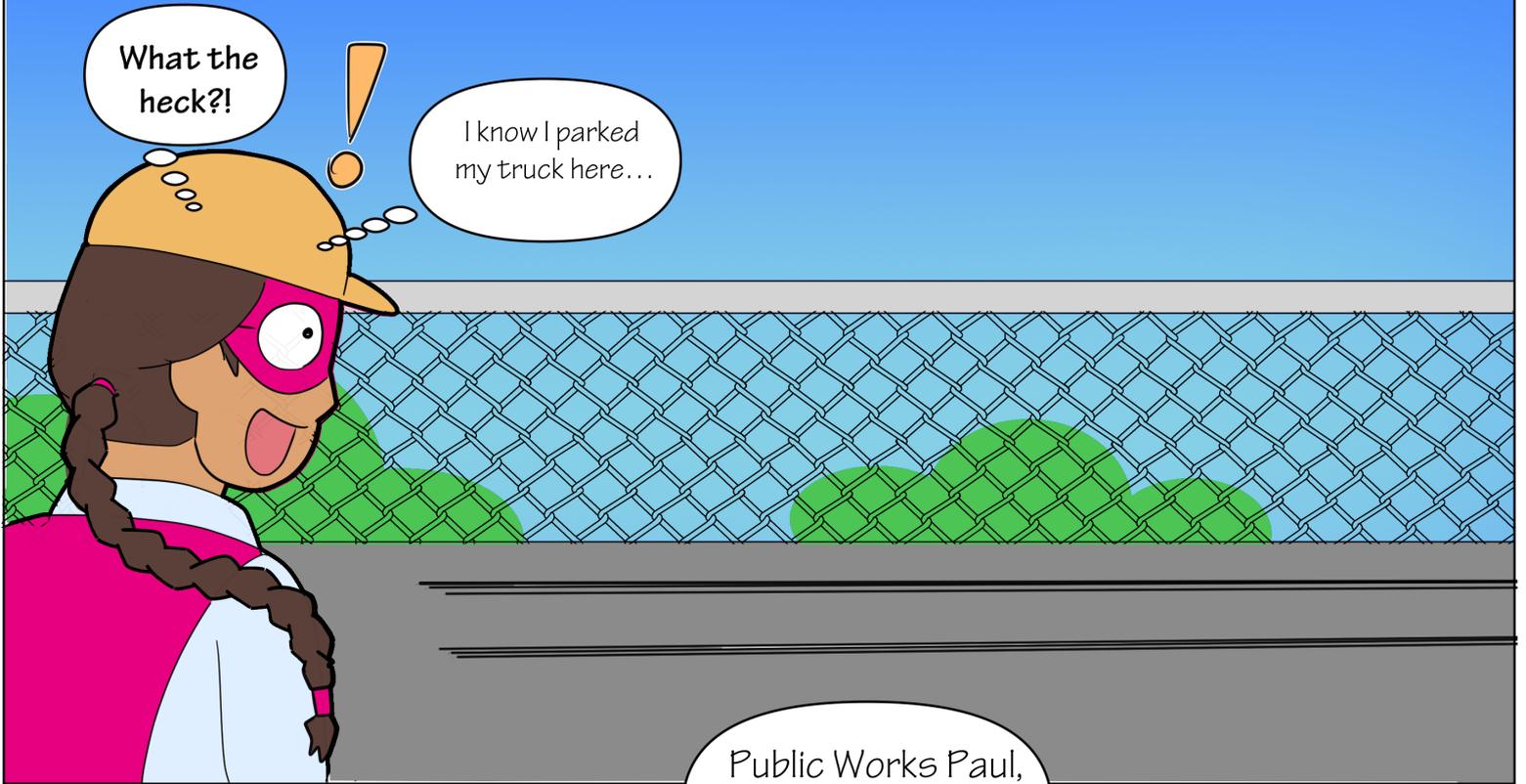
Safe driving, Water Truck Operator Oakley!

Have a great day, Public Works Paul!

One day last week when Water Truck Operator Oakley went to get her truck...

What the heck?!

I know I parked my truck here...

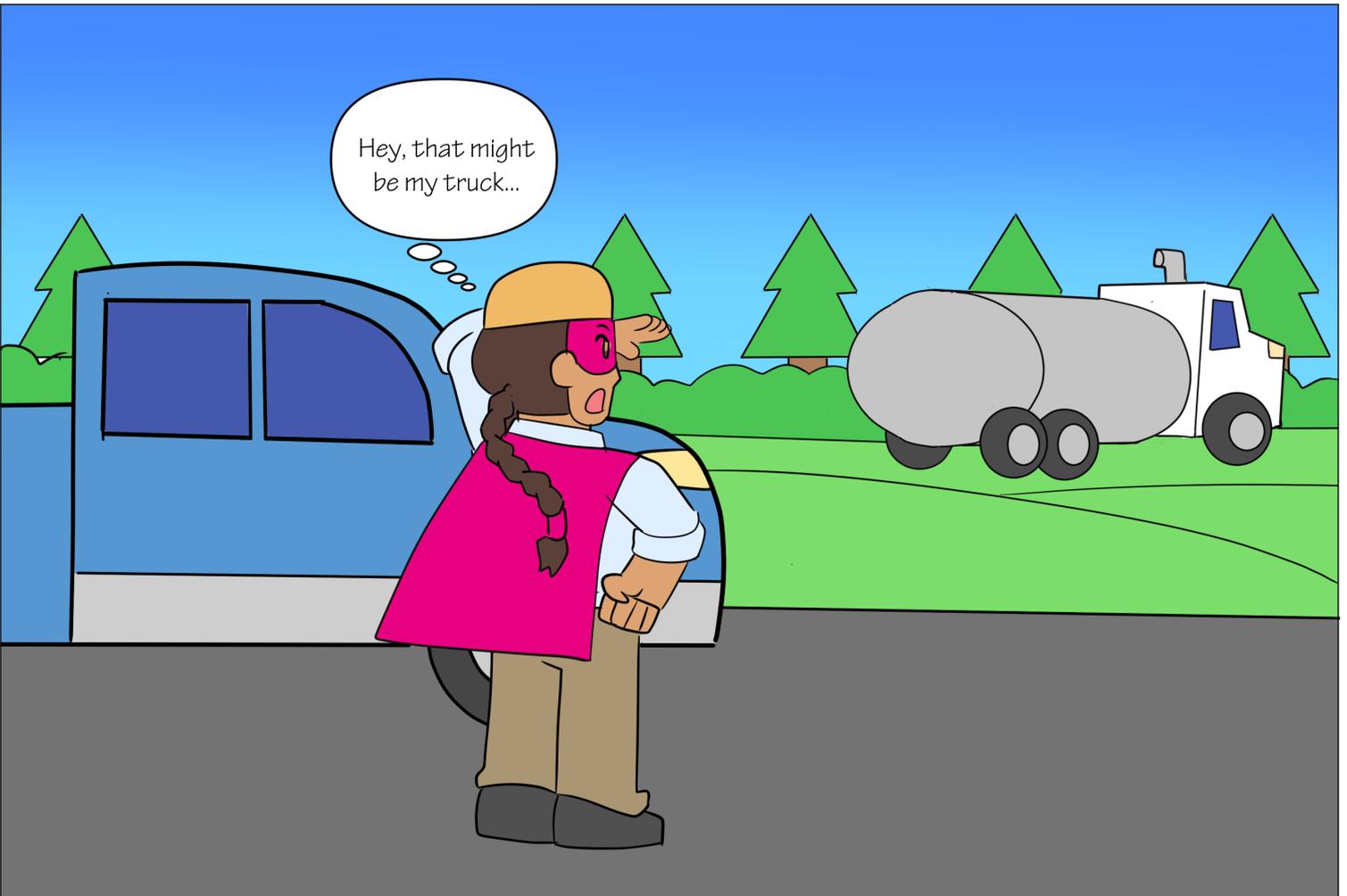
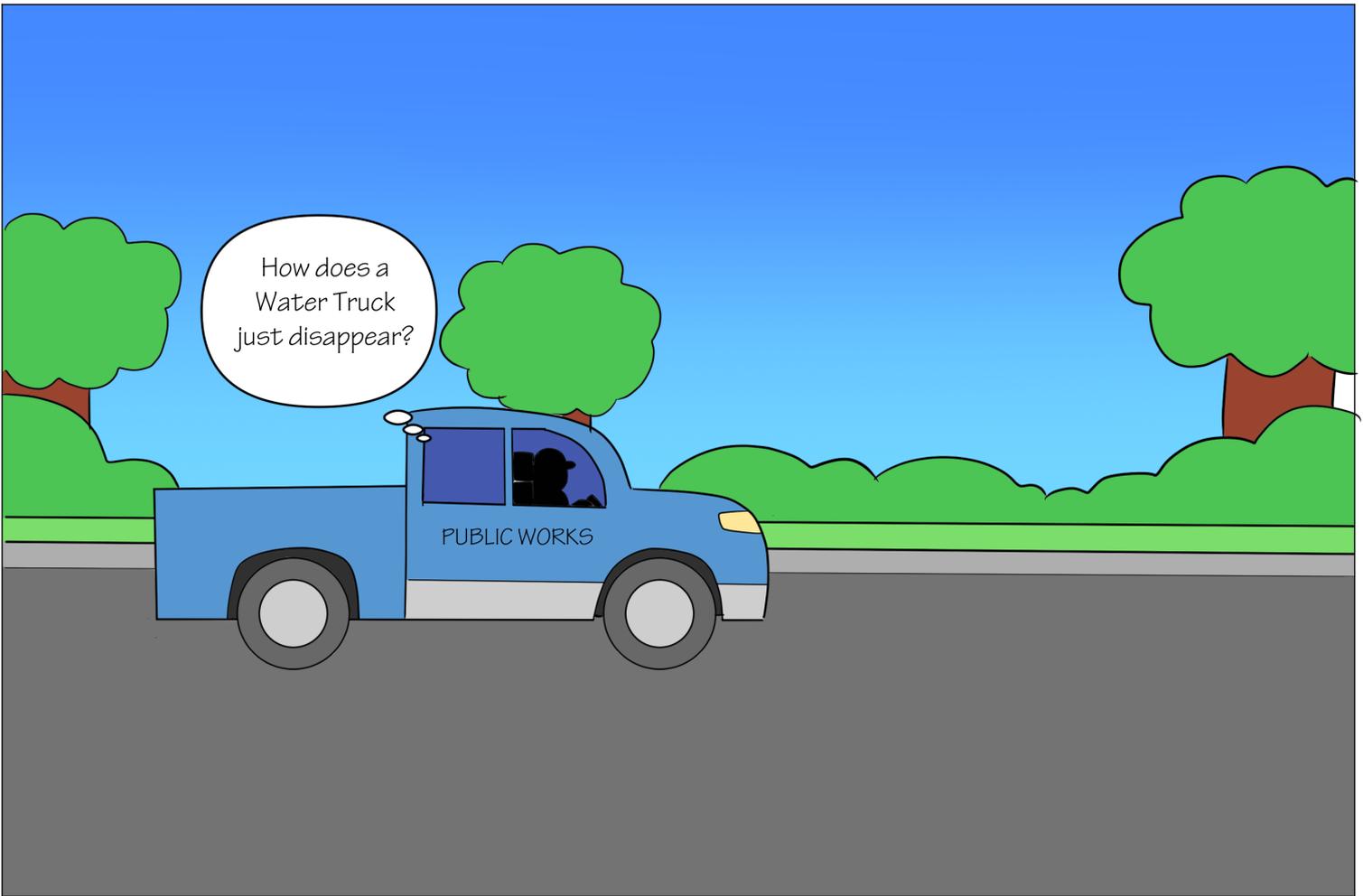


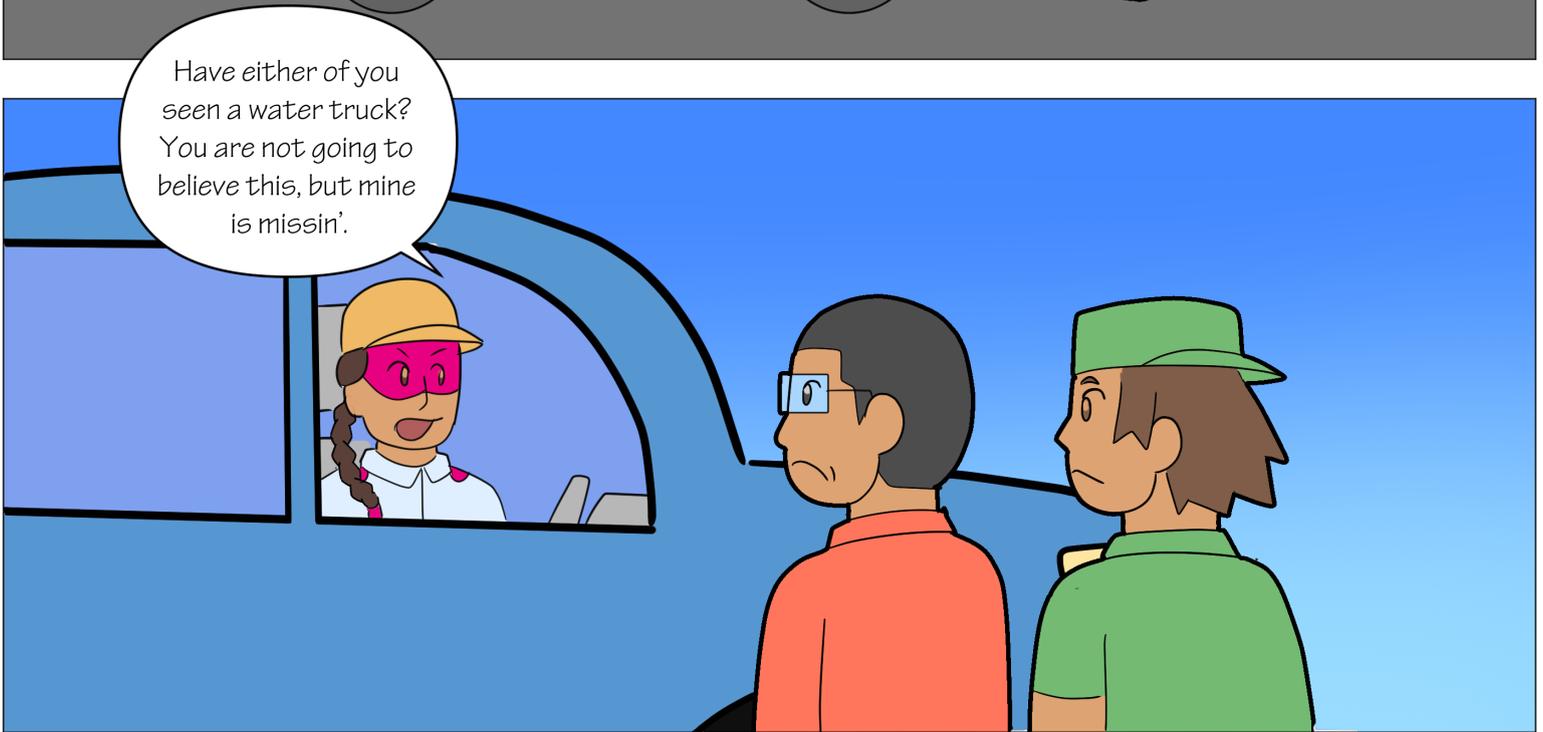
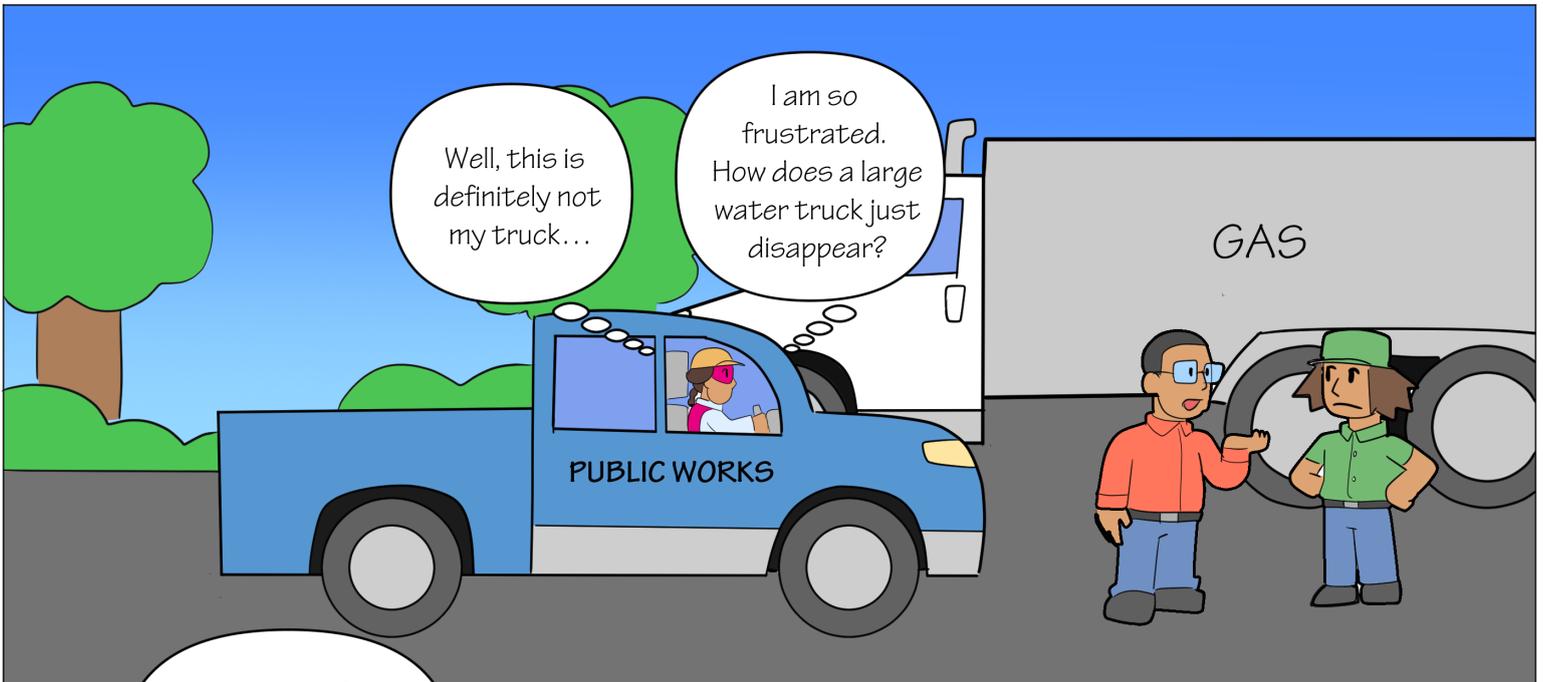
Public Works Paul,
My truck is
GONE!!!

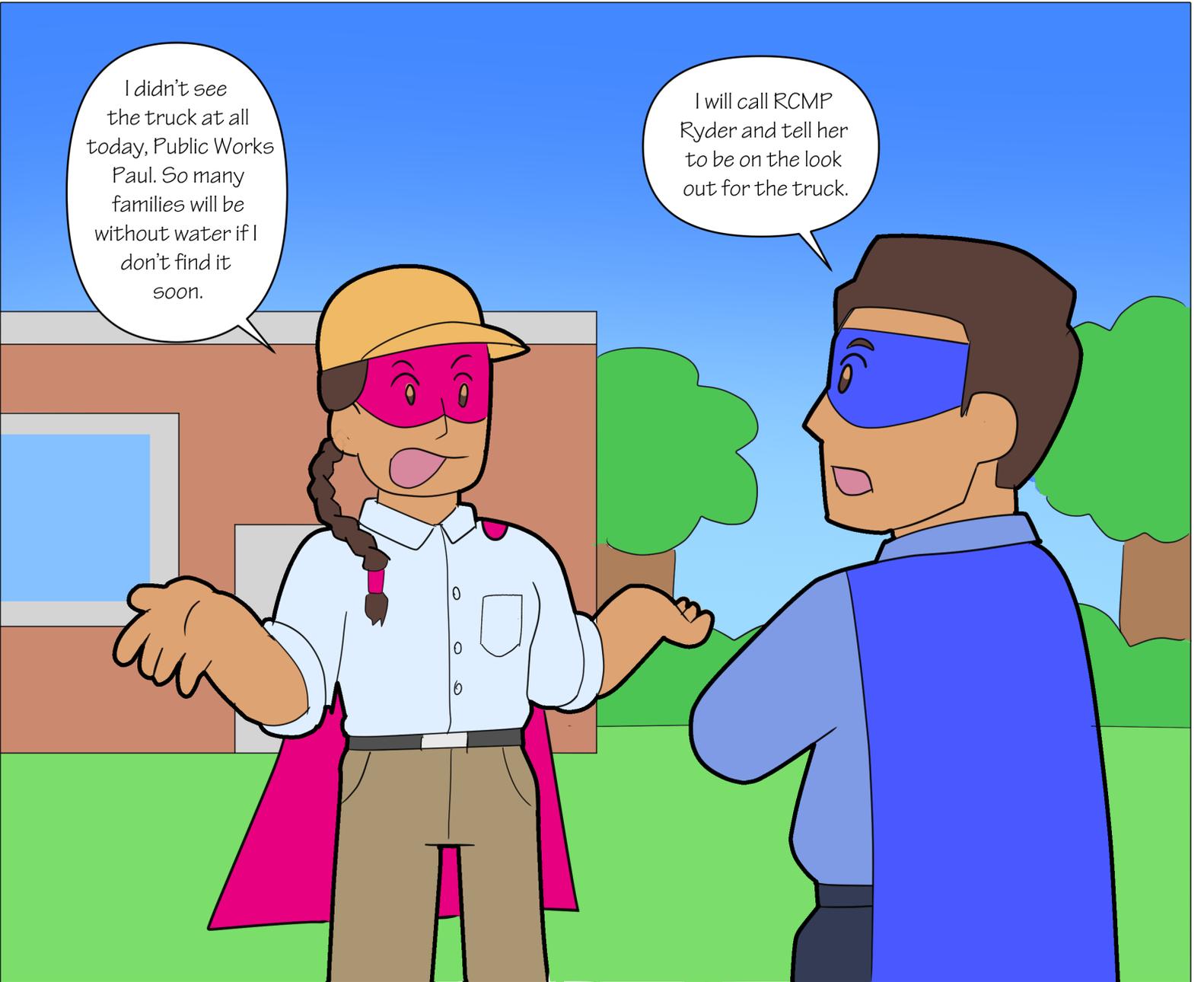
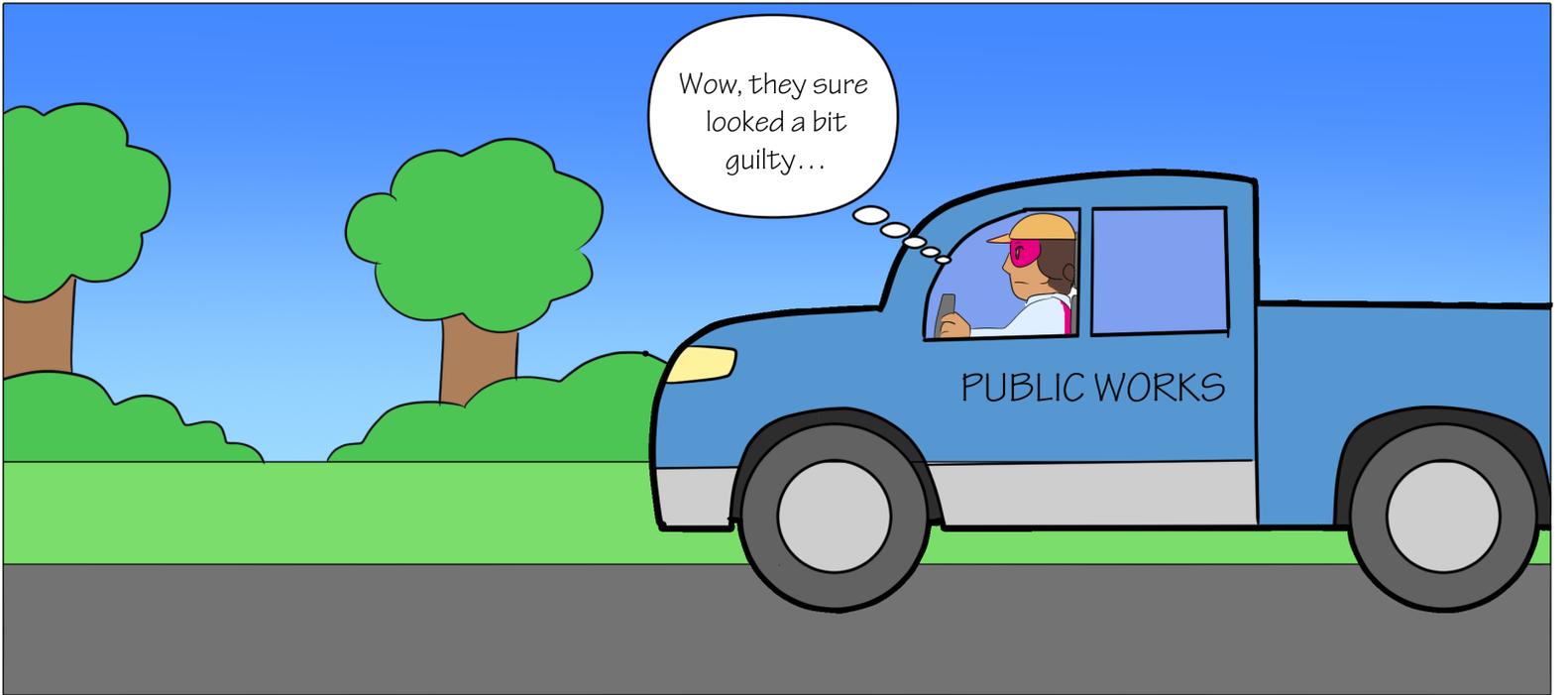
Do you know
where it might
be? I parked it last
night in the usual spot
and its not
there.

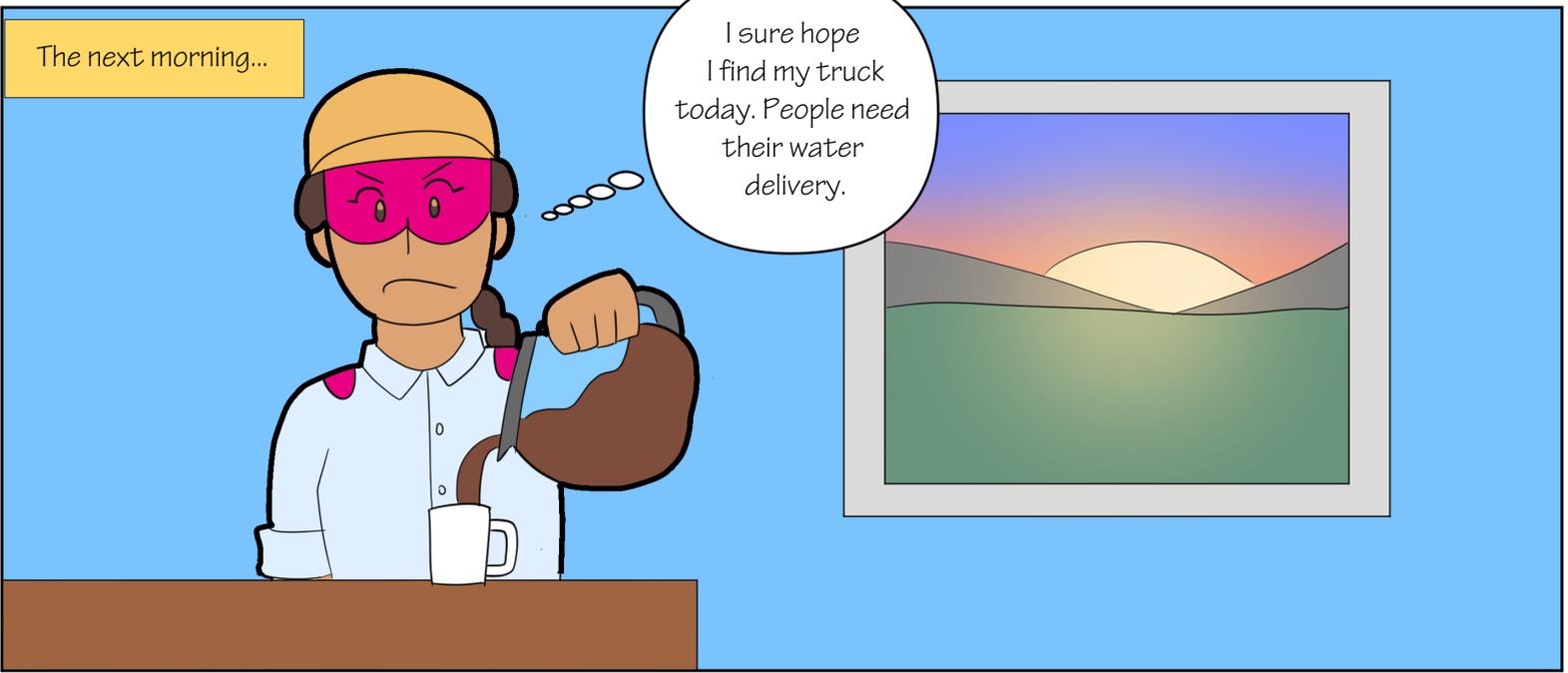
What???? It was
there last night
when I went home.
Take one of the Public
Works trucks and check
the community.





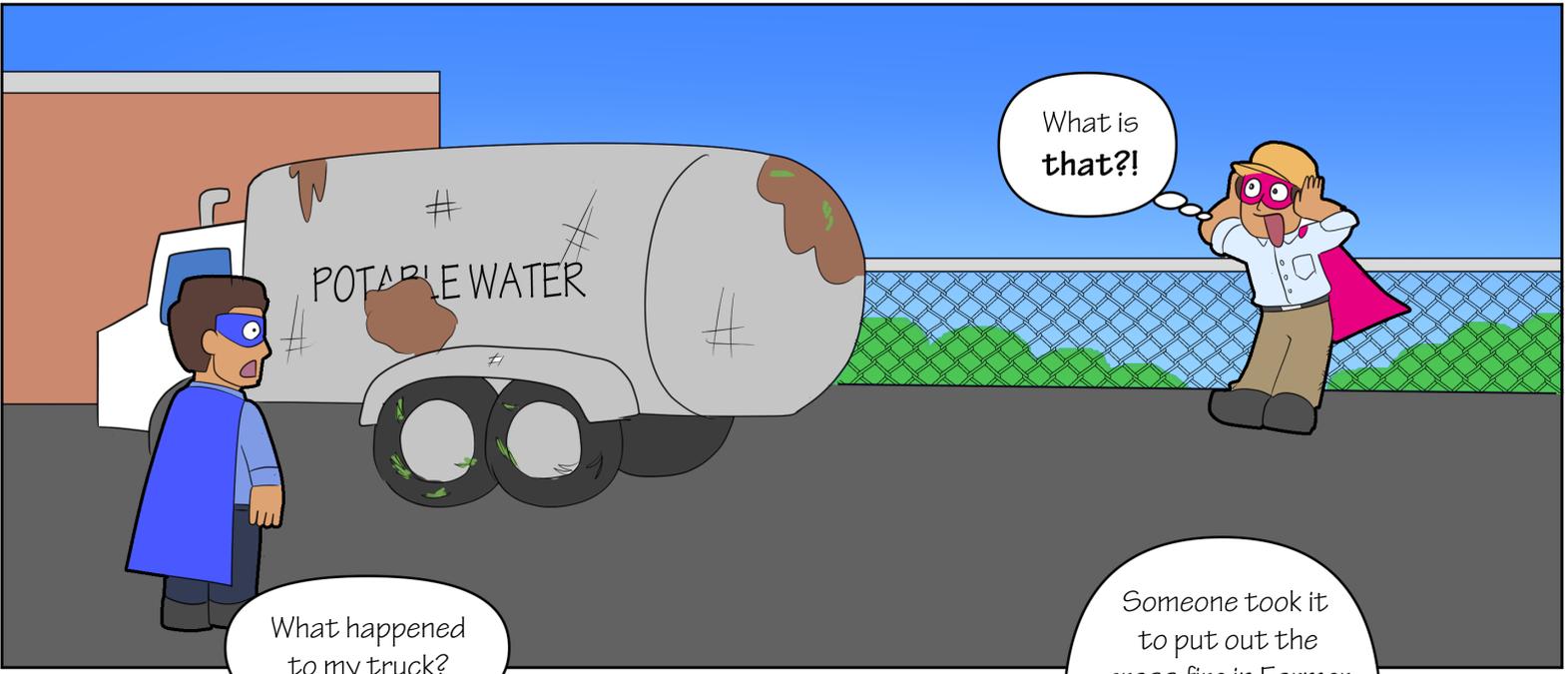
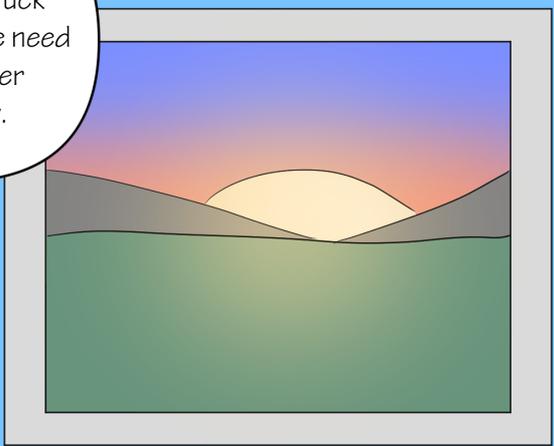






The next morning...

I sure hope I find my truck today. People need their water delivery.



What is that?!

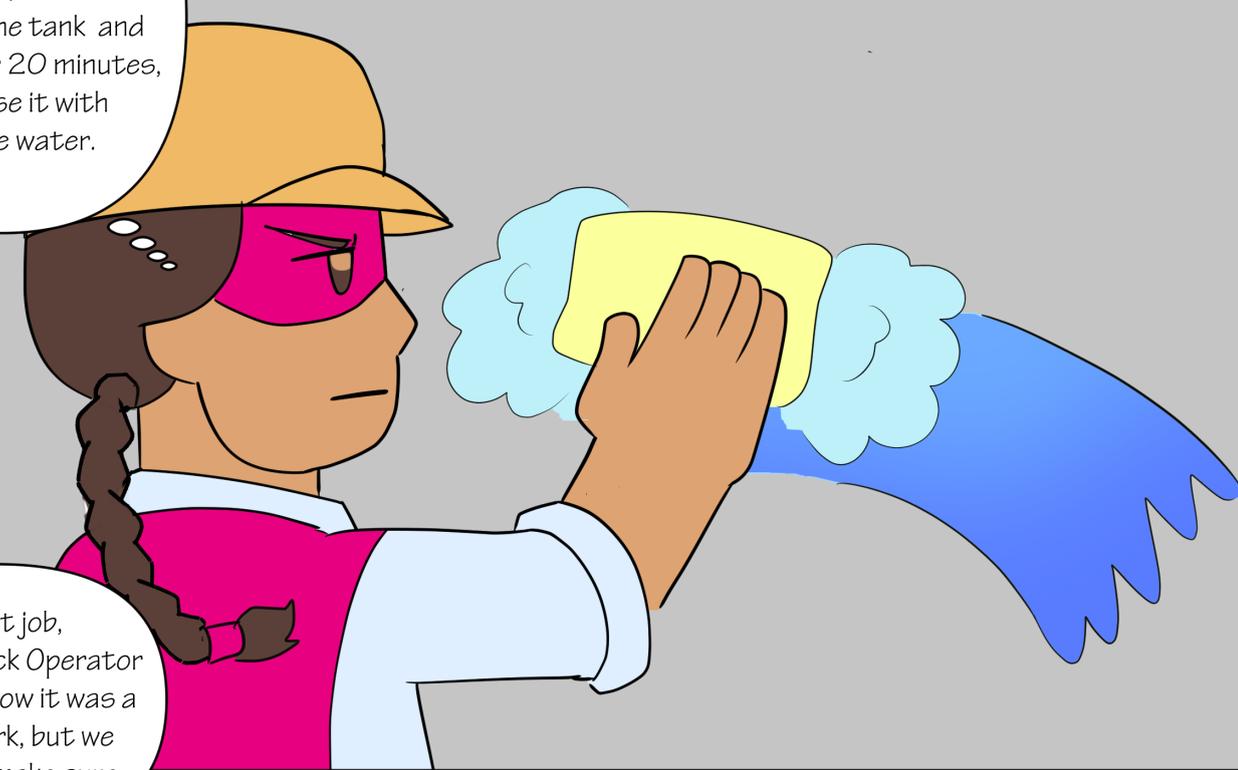
What happened to my truck?

Someone took it to put out the grass fire in Farmer Fred's yard. We still don't know who, but they left this note.

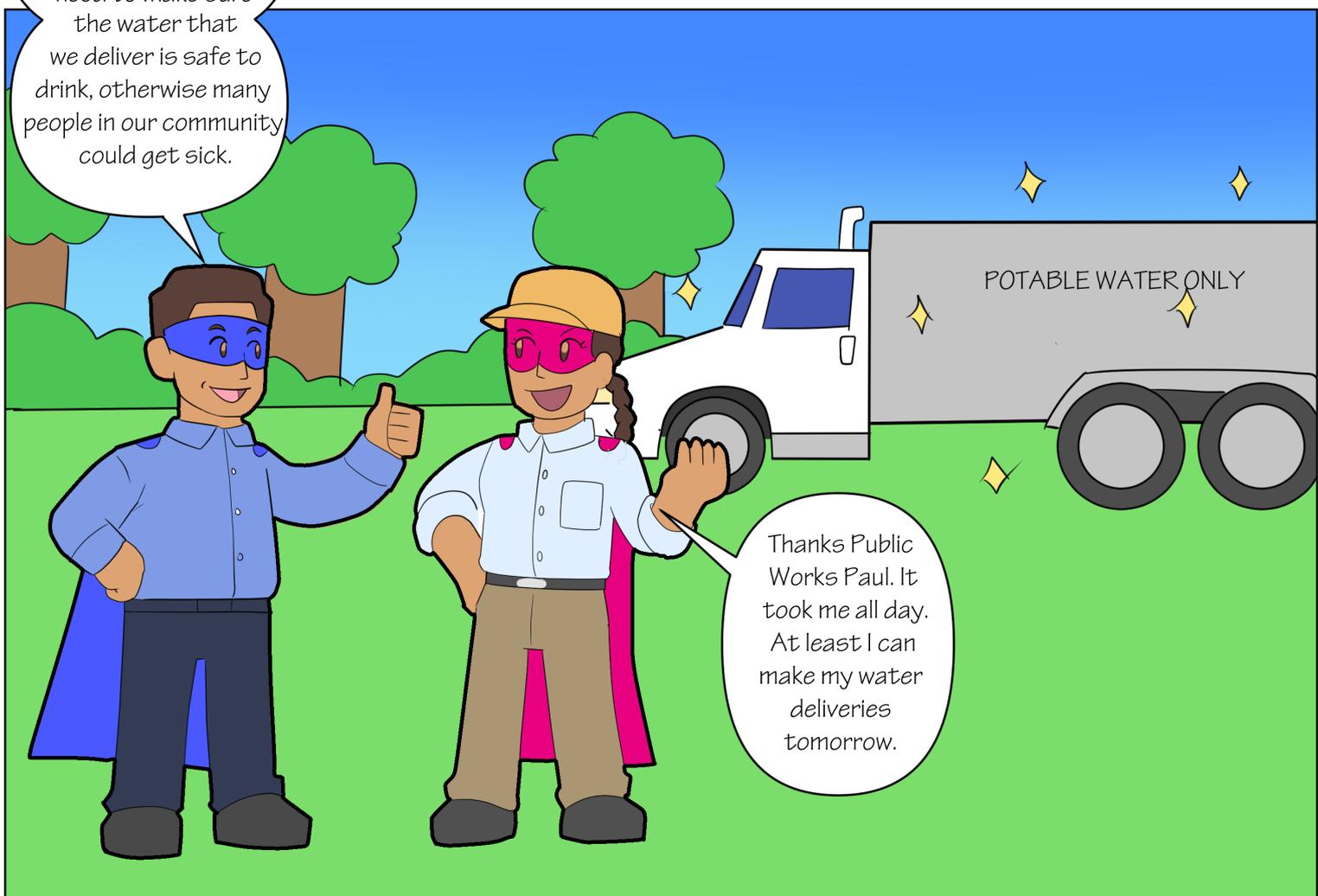


I am going to have to do a huge clean up before I can fill it with water.

Let's see...I need to wash the outside of the truck down, clean all the hoses, run chlorine through the tank and let it sit for 20 minutes, then rinse it with potable water.



Great job, Water Truck Operator Oakley. I know it was a lot of work, but we need to make sure the water that we deliver is safe to drink, otherwise many people in our community could get sick.

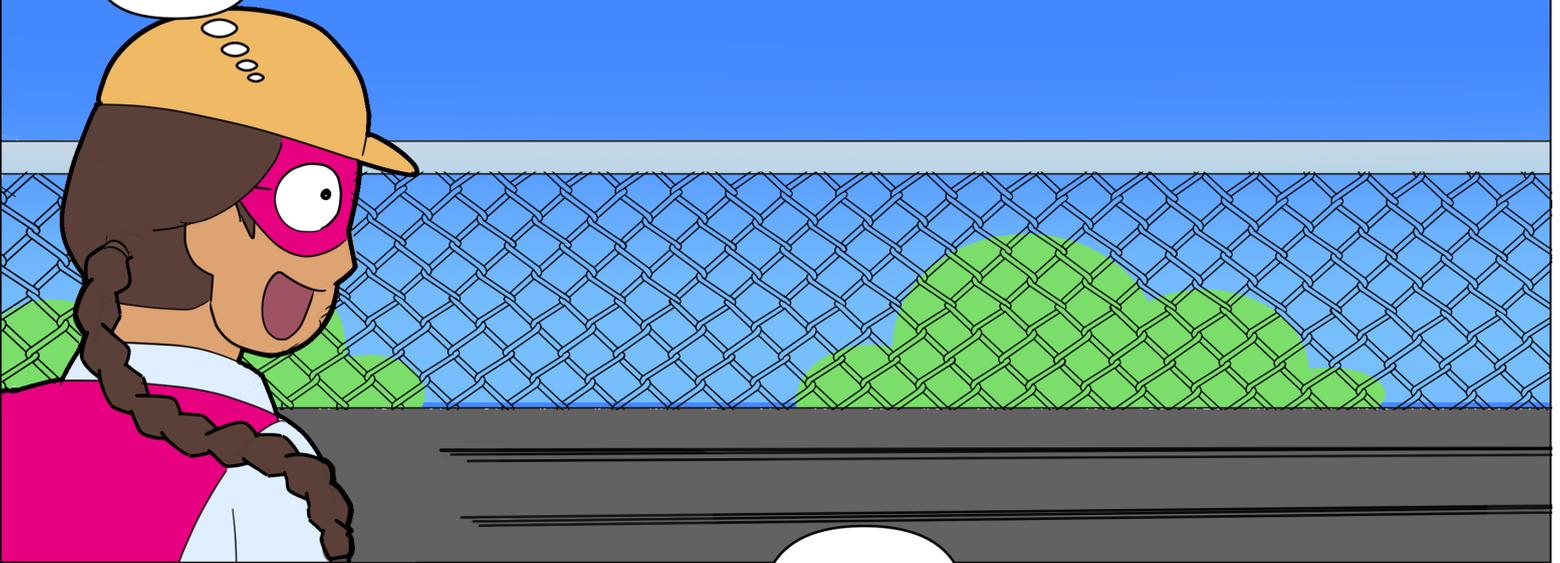


Thanks Public Works Paul. It took me all day. At least I can make my water deliveries tomorrow.

The next morning..

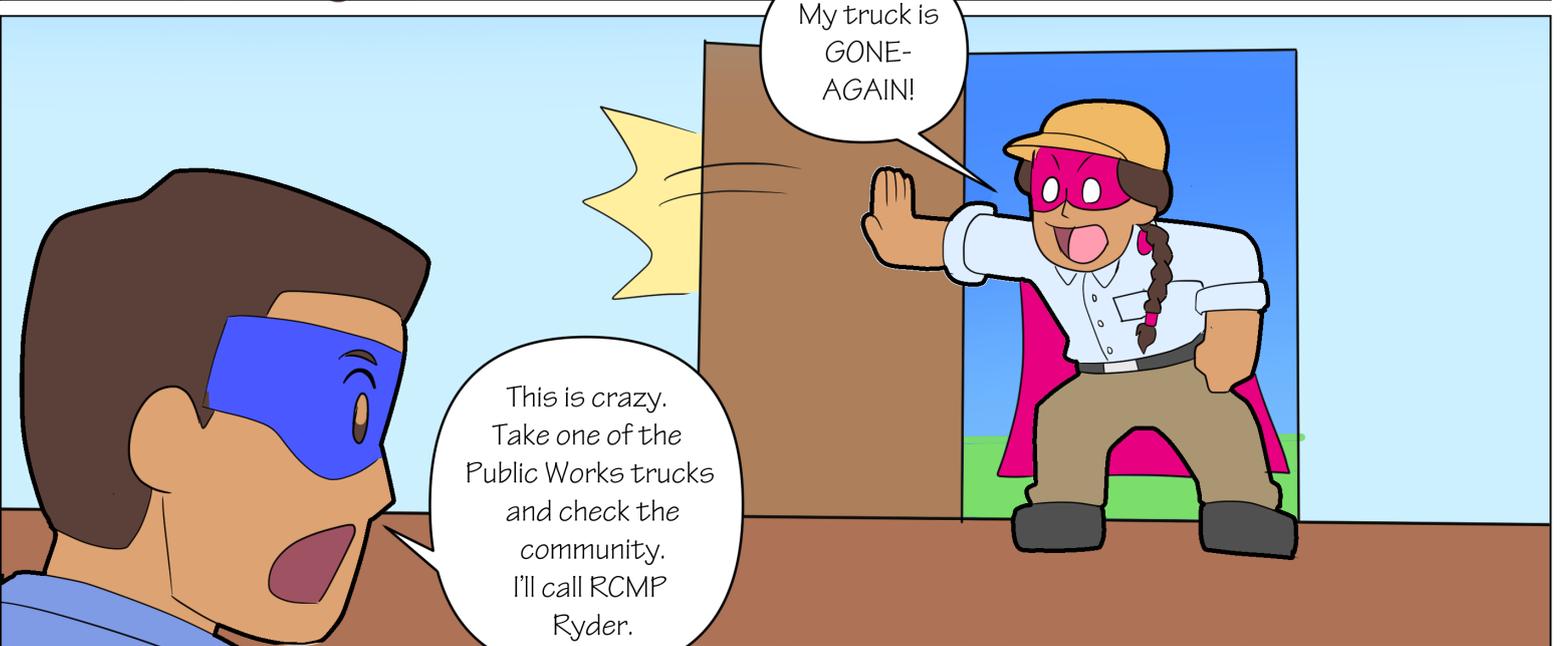


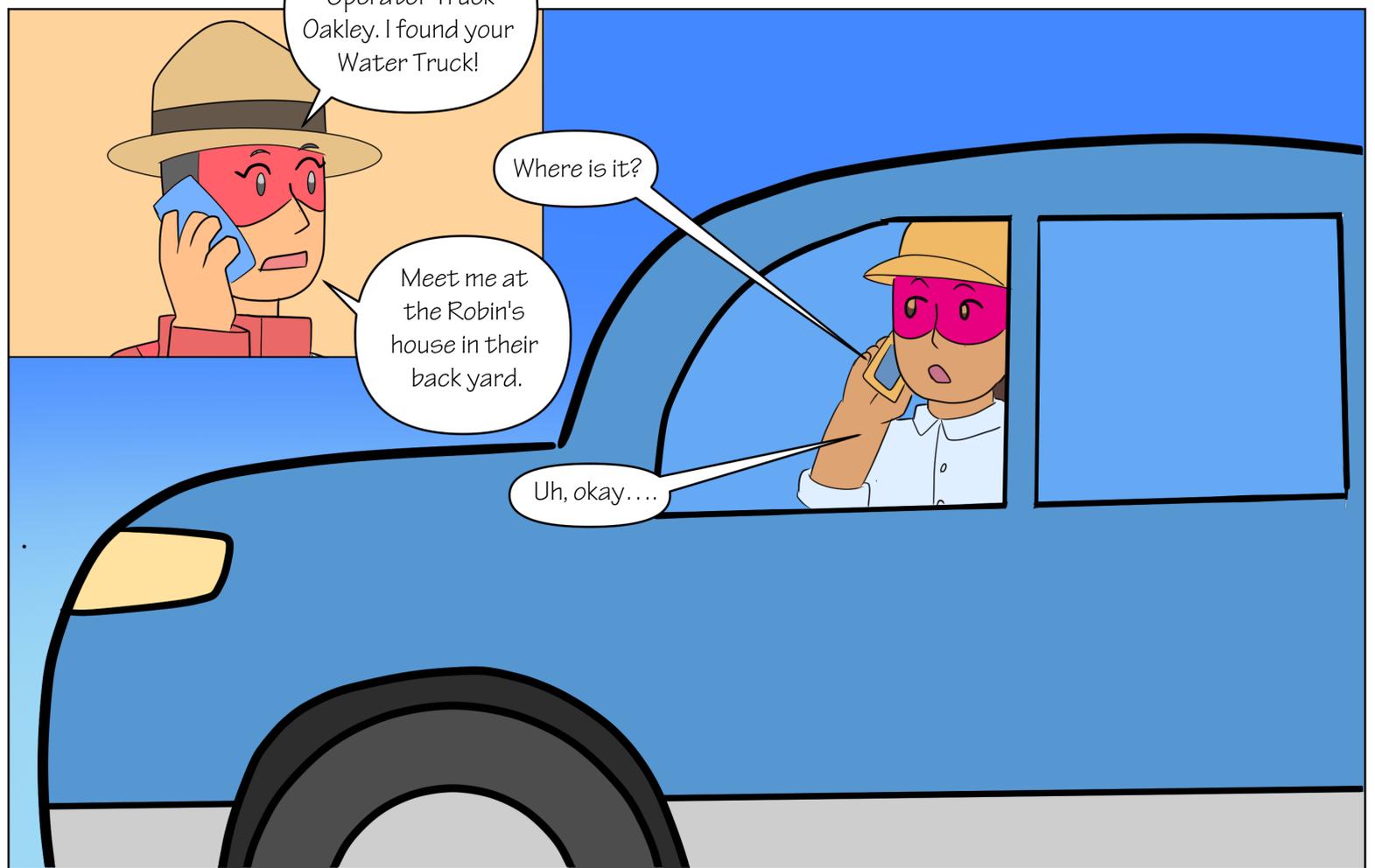
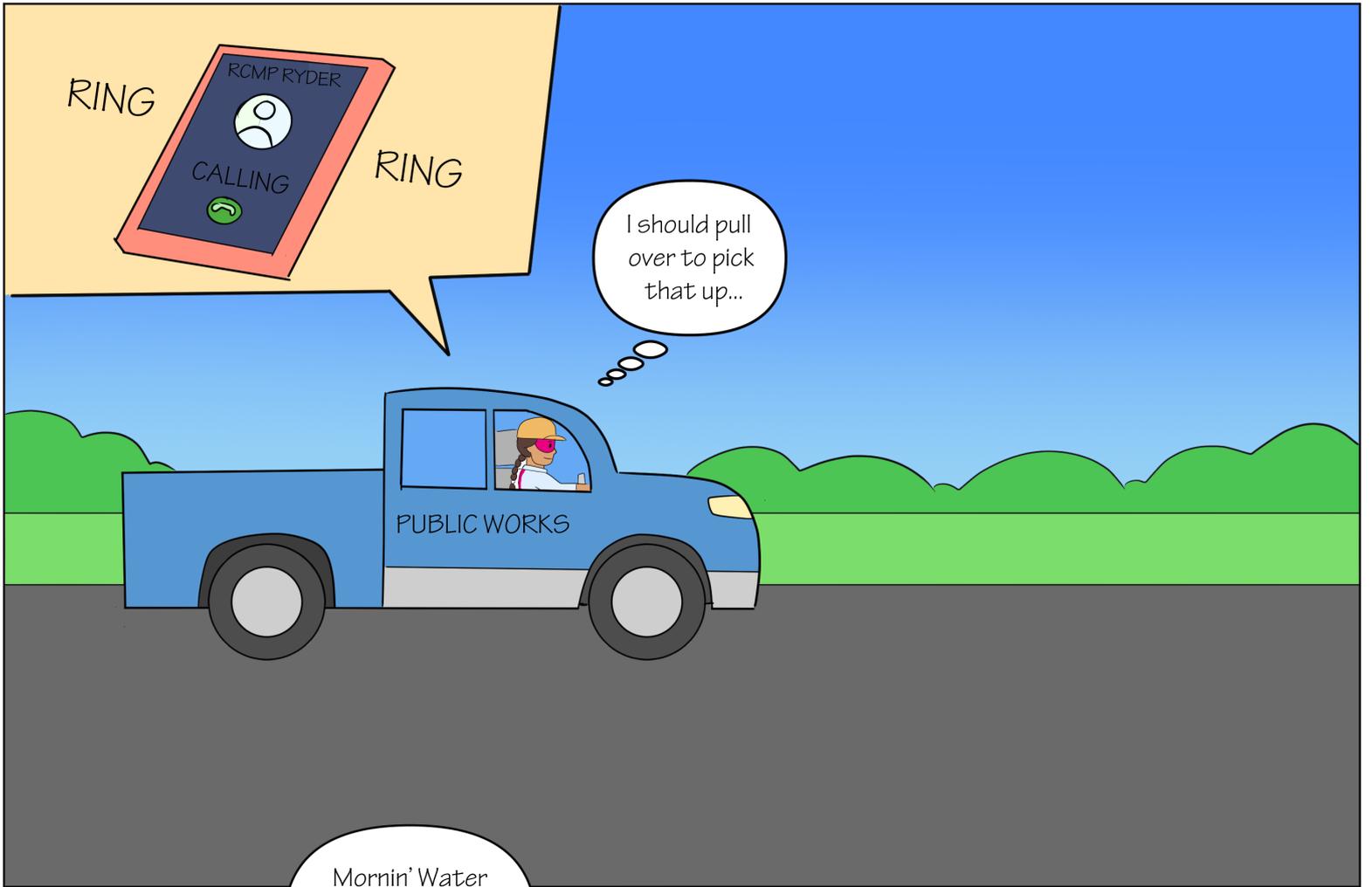
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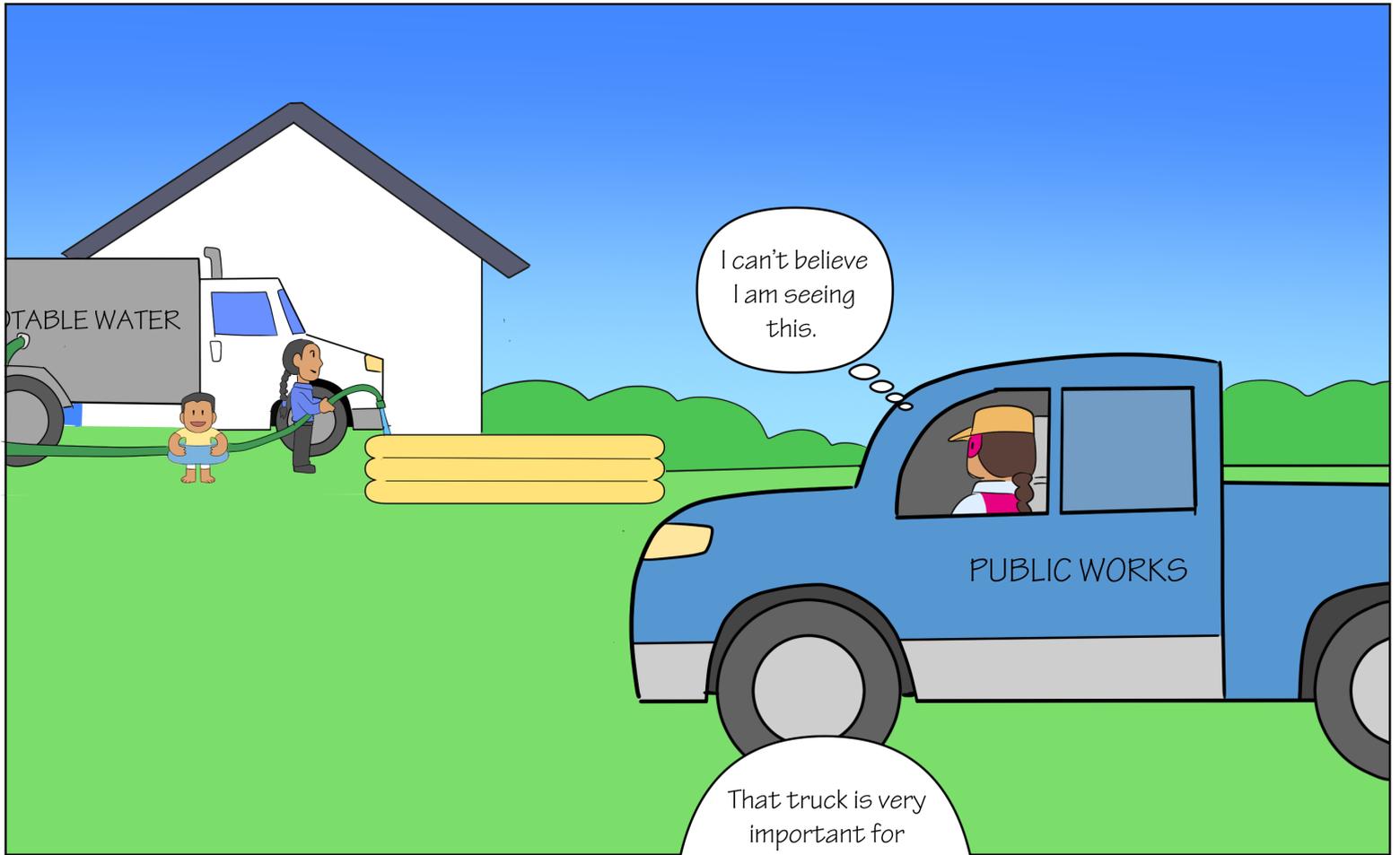


My truck is GONE-AGAIN!

This is crazy. Take one of the Public Works trucks and check the community. I'll call RCMP Ryder.







That truck is very important for delivering water to our community members. Although the kids love the pool, water to our members is much more important.



Please stop what you are doing!

All the children on our street love this pool. It takes too long to fill from the tap, so we thought we would just borrow your truck.





Word Search

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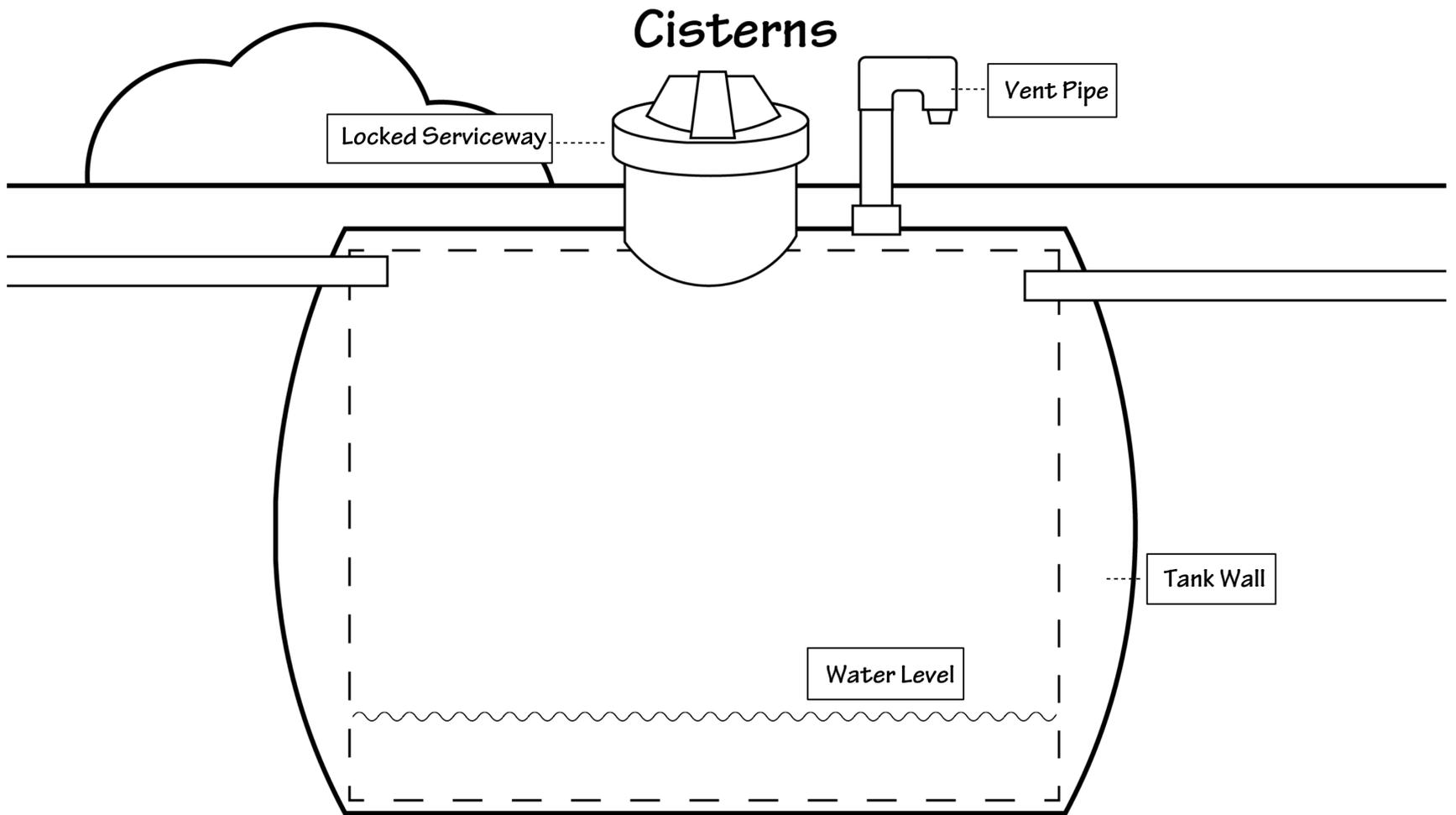
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Tear-Out Page:
Water Truck Operator Oakley





What is a cistern?

A cistern is a large watertight container that stores water. They are made of concrete, steel, or fiberglass. Cisterns can be built right into homes, into the ground, or as towers. They are used in rural areas where there is no municipal water service.

Cistern Care and Safety

- Never play around cisterns.
- Never leave a cistern uncovered. Small rodents can get in and drown and make the water unsafe to drink.
- Never leave old cisterns open and unattended. Children are naturally curious and can easily fall into cisterns.
- Monitor your cisterns for leaks.
- Monitor the pressure and taste of your water.
- Clean your cisterns once a year.



See you again for the next H2O Hero adventure!