



I'M GOING TO BE STRAIGHT WITH YOU... I DON'T LIKE YOU, DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

THE STABLE YOU COME FROM IS NOT A RECOGNISED STABLE AND WILL NEVER BE!

AND YOU ARE AWARE THAT TORMOLI IS A MAN?

WELL?

YES MADAME!

YES MADAME!

OHH GODDESS THIS LADY IS RUDE?

UHHMM... NO MADAME I DID NOT KNOW THIS?

SO YOU  
WILL NOT MIND  
ME ASKING YOU TO  
REMOVE YOUR  
TUTU!

HMMM  
SHE DID LOOK  
SURPRISED AT  
THAT  
REVELATION...

YES MADAME OF  
COURSE!

WE'LL GO ON  
THEN CHILD!

YES MADAME!







WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

WE CAN TAKE A LOOK AT THE GIRL'S CROTCH, SEE IF SHE IS A BOY!

I'M NOT LOOKING AT HER CROTCH, SHE'S HERE TO DANCE AND THAT IS WHAT YOU SHOULD BE LOOKING AT TOO TILDA!

CODSWALLOP  
...  
IT WAS WEAK ADJUDICATION THAT LET TORMOLI INTO MY BALLET!



I AM READY  
MADAMES AND  
SIR!

WALK TOWARDS  
US!



ALL I  
CAN SEE TILDA  
IS A GIRL AND  
ONE THAT MOVES  
LIKE THE GREAT  
TALINA!

THAT'S AS  
MAYBE TILDA, BUT  
MY TICK STILL  
COUNTS!

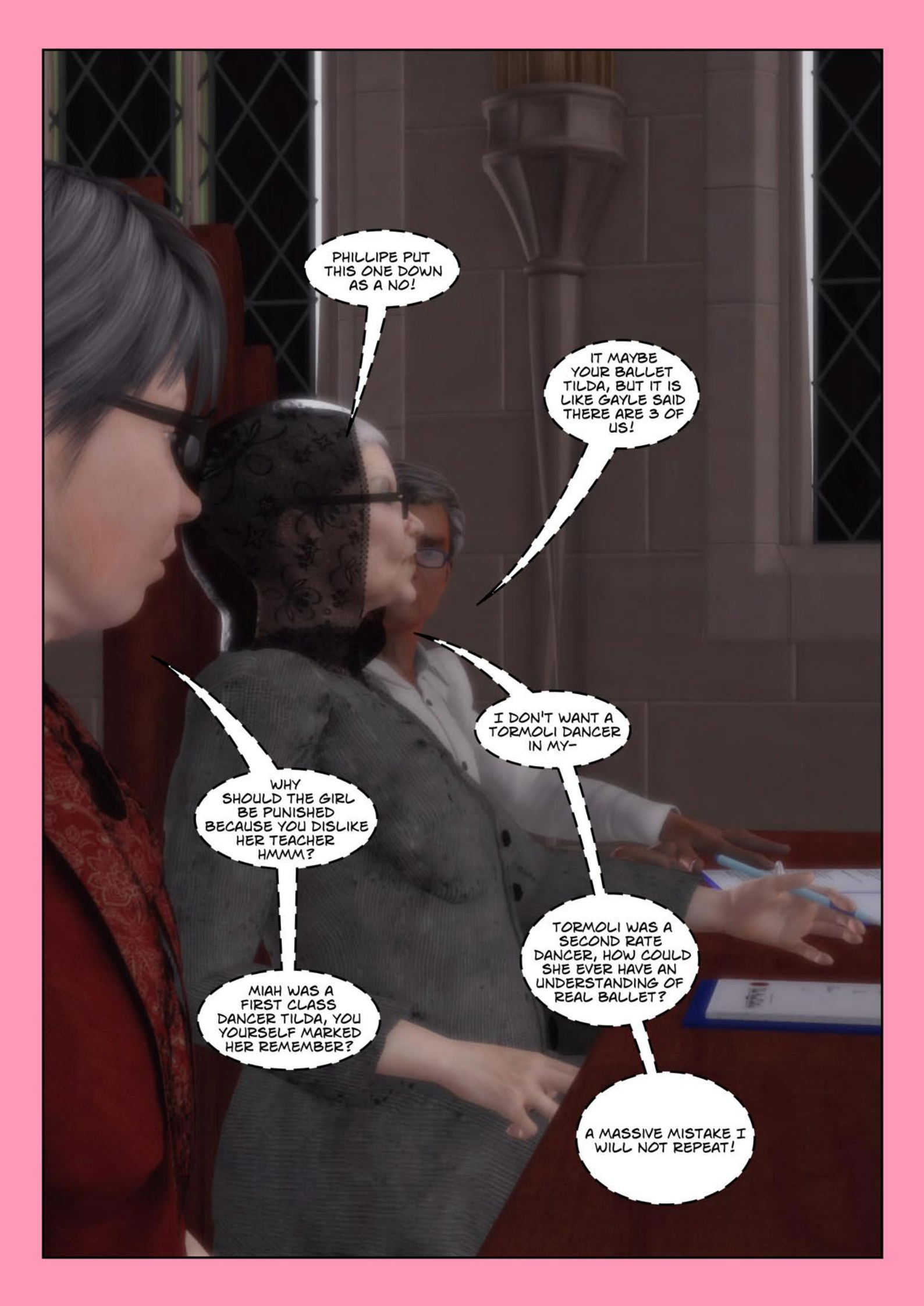
EVEN IF IT IS  
A GIRL, I'M  
NEVER GOING TO  
ALLOW A  
TORMOLI DANCER  
INTO MY  
BALLET!

REMAND ME  
WHO PAYS YOUR  
WAGES GAYLE!



WE'LL SHOW US  
YOUR RANGE!





PHILLIPE PUT  
THIS ONE DOWN  
AS A NO!

IT MAYBE  
YOUR BALLET  
TILDA, BUT IT IS  
LIKE GAYLE SAID  
THERE ARE 3 OF  
US!

I DON'T WANT A  
TORMOLI DANCER  
IN MY-

WHY  
SHOULD THE GIRL  
BE PUNISHED  
BECAUSE YOU DISLIKE  
HER TEACHER  
HMMM?

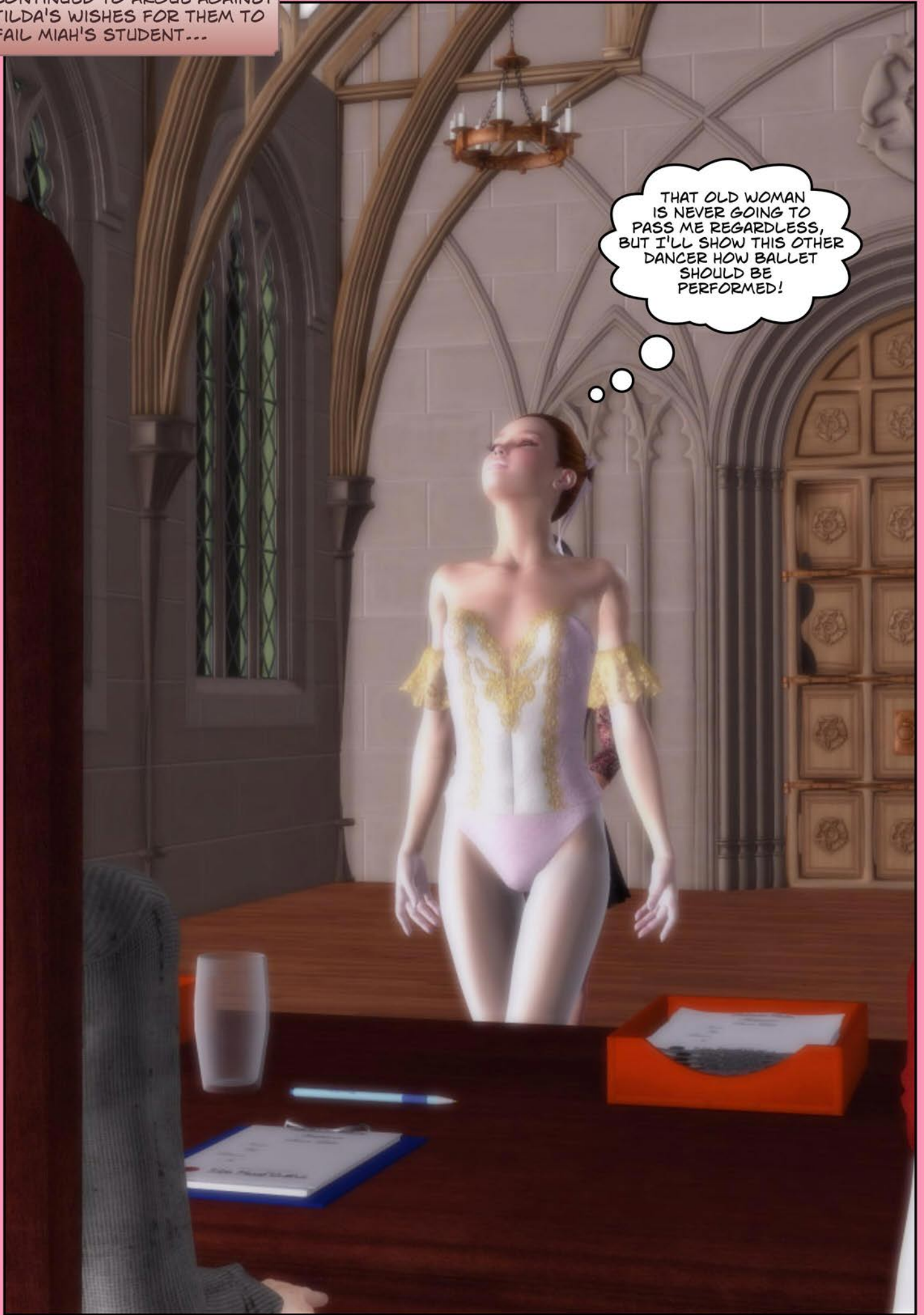
MAH WAS A  
FIRST CLASS  
DANCER TILDA, YOU  
YOURSELF MARKED  
HER REMEMBER?

TORMOLI WAS A  
SECOND RATE  
DANCER, HOW COULD  
SHE EVER HAVE AN  
UNDERSTANDING OF  
REAL BALLET?

A MASSIVE MISTAKE I  
WILL NOT REPEAT!

AND AS THE ADJUDICATORS CONTINUED TO ARGUE AGAINST TILDA'S WISHES FOR THEM TO FAIL MIAH'S STUDENT...

THAT OLD WOMAN IS NEVER GOING TO PASS ME REGARDLESS, BUT I'LL SHOW THIS OTHER DANCER HOW BALLET SHOULD BE PERFORMED!





I HAV WON  
WITHOUT DOUBT!

COME ON HURRY  
YOURSELF!

FOR GOODNESS  
SAKE TILDA,  
BREATHING TECHNIQUE  
IS PART OF A BALLET  
DANCER'S RITUAL!



AND SO JACQUELINE BEGAN  
HER ROUTINE...



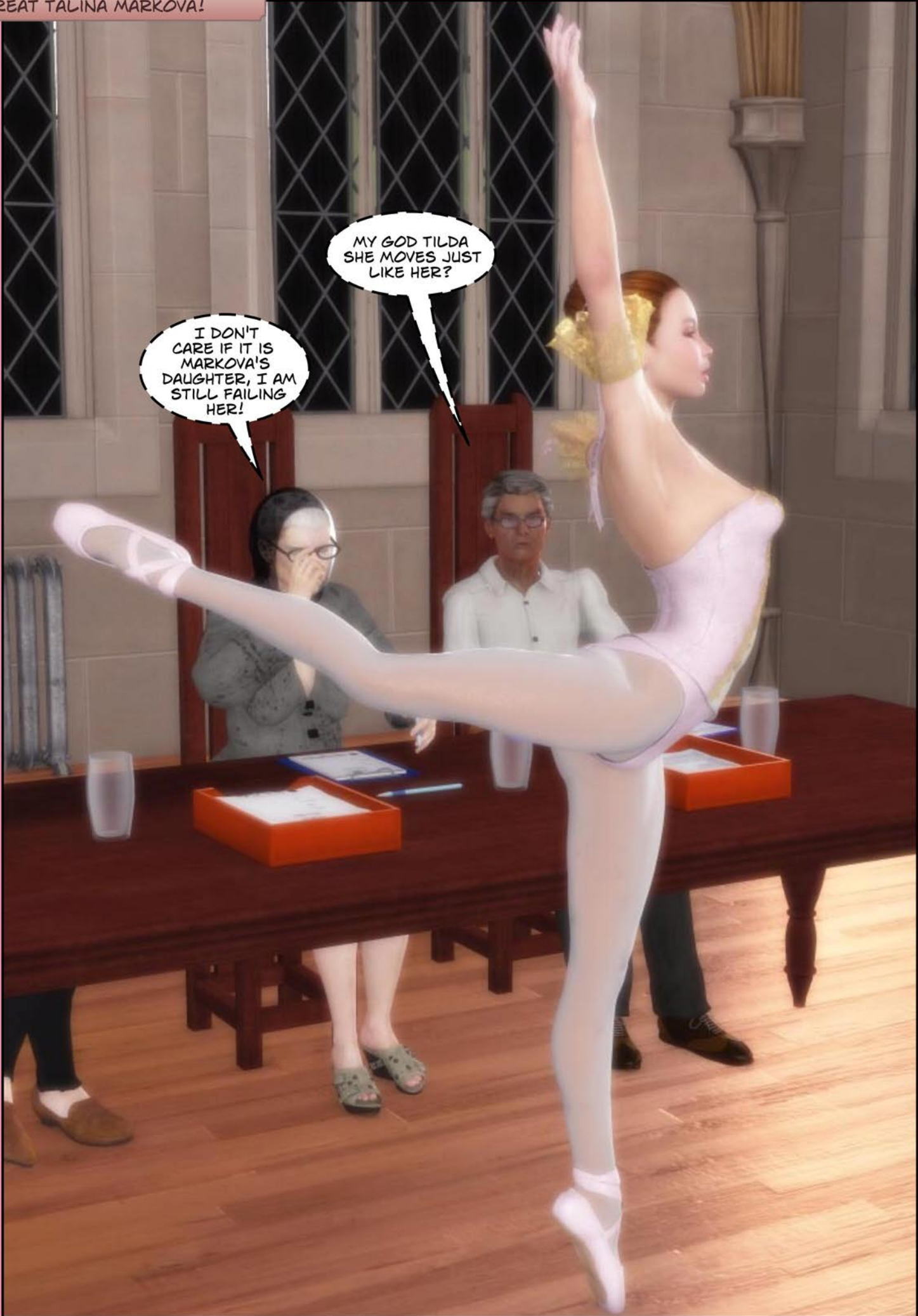
HMMM I  
CAN'T SEE ANY  
UNSIGHTLY  
BULGES?



HER EVERY MOVE MIRRORING THE EMBODIMENT OF THE GREAT TALINA MARKOVA!

MY GOD TILDA SHE MOVES JUST LIKE HER?

I DON'T CARE IF IT IS MARKOVA'S DAUGHTER, I AM STILL FAILING HER!





IMPRESSING HER ONLY RIVAL  
FOR THE PRESTIGIOUS PLACE  
AS ODETTE...

MY GOT SHE IS  
SPECTACULAR?

SUCH  
BALANCE  
MANOEUVRE?





YET DESPITE TILDA'S OBVIOUS DISLIKE TO HER, JACQUELINE CONTINUED ON UNWAVERING---

OHH MY...  
SIMPLY  
ADORABLE!

EXQUISITE TO  
SAY... NONE THE  
LEAST!

HURRY UP  
AND FINISH  
YOUR ENSEMBLE  
I WANT TO SEE  
THE MULLER  
GIRL!



HER POSTURE AND COMPOSURE SHINING THROUGH THE DEROGATIVE COMMENTS OF TILDA...





YET DESPITE THE ATTEMPT TO  
DISLodge HER  
CONCENTRATION, SHE  
FINISHED AS SHE BEGAN,  
SLOWING HER BREATHING AND  
LOWERING TO A CLOSE...



AND AS JACQUELINE  
ROSS FINISHED, THE  
SILENCE MADE WAY...



BRavo MY DEAR ABSOLUTELY DIVINE!

CLAPPPPP

WONDERFUL EXIBITION, THE TECHNIQUE THE MOVEMENT... MY GOD TILDA SHE IS MARKOVA?

CLAPPPPP

RIGHT THAT IS 2 FAILS!

Right that is 2 fails!





YOU CAN LEAVE MISS ROSS, YOU HAVE 2 FAILS!

THE ADJUDICATORS DECISION IS FINAL GOODBYE!

BUT I ONLY HEARD-

WHAT A BIGGOTED OLD WOMAN, POOR MIAH, I CAN ONLY IMAGINE WHAT SHE WENT THROUGH WITH THIS HORRID AWFUL WOMAN?



PHILLIPE  
THAT GIRL IS  
SPECTACULAR... PLEASE  
DON'T LET TILDA'S HATRED  
FOR HER TEACHER  
PERSUADE YOU FROM  
SAYING YES?

I ERR-

IF PHILLIPE WANTS TO  
STAY EMPLOYED HE'LL DO  
WHAT I SAY , UNLIKE YOU  
GAYLE, CONSIDER YOURSELF  
FIRED AFTER MISS MULLER HAS  
FINALLY GOT HER CHANCE TO  
BECOME ODETTE!

FOR GOD'S SAKE  
PHILLIPE STAND UP  
FOR YOURSELF!

MISS  
MULLER IF YOU  
WOULD CARE TO  
BEGIN!







I'M AFRAID I  
VILL NOT  
PERFORM FOR  
YOU!

GIRL IS BETTER  
ZAN ME, SHE IS  
ODETTE!

I AM GOOT  
TO BE ODETTE,  
BUT GIRL IS  
BETTER ZAN I...  
SO DO AS YOU  
PLEEZ!

YOU'RE  
TURNING YOUR  
CHANCE TO BE  
ODETTE DOWN MISS  
MULLER... PERHAPS  
I SHOULD GET YOUR  
TEACHER IN HERE  
AND SEE WHAT  
SHE HAS TO SAY  
HMMM?



YOU CAN TELL MISS MULLER'S TEACHER THAT I WILL NOT BE TAKING ANY OF HER GIRLS INTO CONSIDERATION AGAIN!

MISS ROSS PLEASE COME BACK?







NOT WITH  
THAT OLD  
BATTLEAXE ON  
THE PANEL OF  
ADJUDICATORS!

NOT FOR THIS  
BALLET I AM  
NOT!

PLEEZ YOU MUST  
GO BACK!

BUT YOU ARE  
ODETTE!





CAREFUL  
PHILIP, YOU'LL  
BE JOINING  
GAYLE!

I'M SORRY  
TILDA, BUT MISS  
MULLER IS  
CORRECT!

AND  
GAYLE IS  
RIGHT TOO,  
THERE ARE 3  
VOTES TO BE CAST  
NOT YOUR  
PREJUDICE  
DICTATING ALL  
OF US!

WE HAVE  
STRICT  
STANDARDS  
TORMOLI IS NOT A  
REGISTERED  
ACADEMY!

WELL IT IS NOW,  
MY VOTE GOES  
WITH HER GIRL!

WHAT RUBBISH, I  
WILL OVERTURN  
THIS LUNACY!

NO YOU WON'T...  
GAYLE AND 2 THIRDS  
OF THE BOARD  
MEMBERS ARE  
SEEKING TO HAVE YOU  
REMOVED!

I WILL SACK THE  
LOT OF YOU!

YOUR  
BEHAVIOUR TO THIS  
WONDERFUL DANCER  
WE HAVE BEFORE US IS  
PROOF ENOUGH FOR  
YOU TO BE  
REMOVED!



PLEEZ MISS  
ROZZ I DID NOT  
ACCEPT!

IT DOES NOT  
MATTER...  
\*SIGH\*

IT APPEARS MY  
GIRL IS ODETTE!

JACQUELINE  
LOOKS SAD... SHE  
FAILED?



I AM  
SORRY MISS  
TORMOLI I DID  
NOT GET TO BE  
THE SWAN  
PRINCESS...  
\*SIGH\*

THE JUDGES  
SAW IT WAS YOU  
WHO TRAINED ME  
AND FAILED  
ME...

THEY ALSO  
TOLD ME YOU  
ARE LIKE ME...

THE OLD  
WOMAN DOES  
NOT LIKE YOU  
BECAUSE YOU  
WAS ONCE A  
BOY!

WHAT  
HAPPENED  
YOU ARE BY FAR  
THE BEST BALLET  
PERFORMER I  
HAVE SEEN IN  
DECADES?

THEY STILL  
BARE A GRUDGE  
AFTER ALL THESE  
YEARS?

AHHH YES  
PUMPKIN, I  
WAS, BUT THAT  
SHOULD NOT BE A  
REASON TO FAIL  
YOU?





DAT FRAULINE IS ZE BEST!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU WALKED OUT?

WHAT NONSENSE, YOU ARE BY FAR THE BEST I TRAINED YOU RIGEROUSLY!

SHE WIN, BUT DID NOT...

I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY YOU LEFT, YOU DANCED YES?

THEY ARE  
STILL HERE  
PHILIP WE ARE  
NOT TOO LATE!

AHHH GOOD  
GAYLE HAS COME  
TO GET YOU!

DIESES  
MÄDCHEN HAT ES  
VERDIENT, ODETTE  
ZU SEIN

I'M  
SORRY FOR  
MISS MULLER'S  
BEHAVIOUR IT WILL  
NOT HAPPEN  
AGAIN GAYLE!

LOSLASSEN!





BE QUITE MRS  
BOULDER!

AS I SAID I  
WILL-

MISS ROSS  
PLEASE DON'T  
LEAVE!

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

AFTER A LITTLE DISCUSSION ME AND PHILLIPE HAVE DECIDED TO CAST OUR VOTES IN YOUR FAVOUR!

OHHH JACQUELINE THEY MAY HAVE CHANGED THEIR DECISION?

WHAT, YOU VOTED FOR MISS MULLER?

SHE DID NOT PERFORM AND YOU MY DEAR DID AND WHAT A PERFORMANCE TOO...

I DON'T UNDERSTAND?

OUR VOTES COUNT AND WE WOULD LIKE TO OFFER YOU THE PART OF ODETTE!!

YOU'RE THE SWAN PRINCESS JACQUELINE!