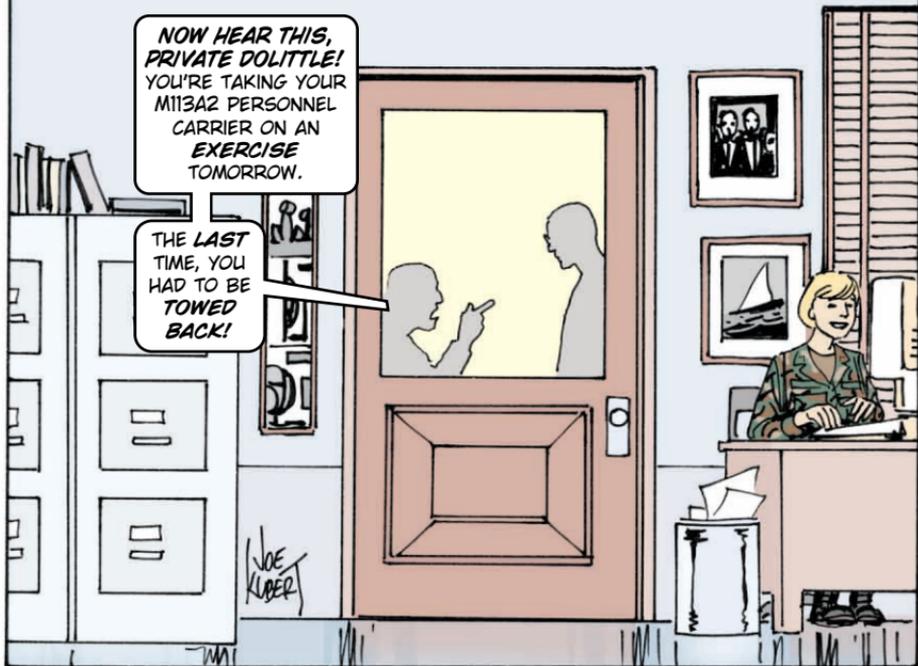


# PRIVATE DOLITTLE

NOW HEAR THIS,  
PRIVATE DOLITTLE!  
YOU'RE TAKING YOUR  
M113A2 PERSONNEL  
CARRIER ON AN  
EXERCISE  
TOMORROW.

THE LAST  
TIME, YOU  
HAD TO BE  
TOWED  
BACK!

JOE  
KUBER



HAVE YOU  
DONE PROPER  
MAINTENANCE  
ON YOUR  
VEHICLE?

IT'S IN  
GOOD SHAPE,  
SERGEANT!  
NO PROBLEM.

THERE BETTER **NOT**  
BE ANY PROBLEM,  
DOLITTLE. OR  
YOU'LL BE SWEEPING  
OUT THE MOTOR  
POOL...

...AND CUTTING GRASS  
AND PAINTING BARRACKS  
INSTEAD OF GETTING A  
WEEKEND PASS.

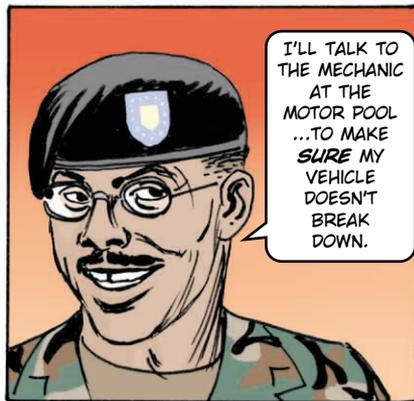
GOT IT,  
DOLITTLE?

GOT IT,  
SERGEANT.

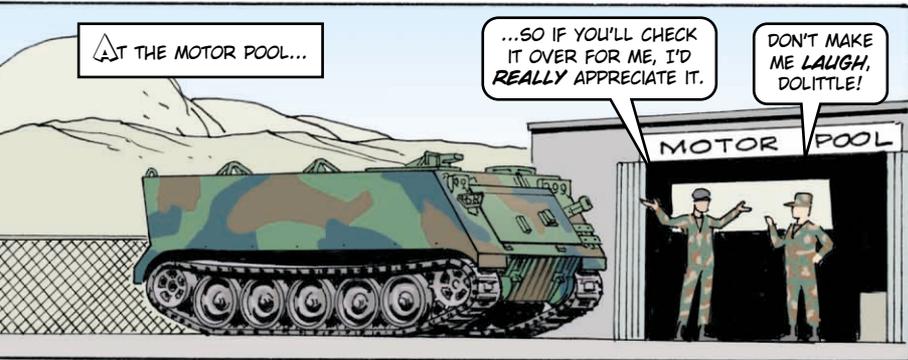




IF I DON'T MAKE IT THROUGH TOMORROW'S EXERCISE, I'LL LOSE MY WEEKEND PASS. AND I WON'T GET TO SEE CINDY LOU.



I'LL TALK TO THE MECHANIC AT THE MOTOR POOL ...TO MAKE **SURE** MY VEHICLE DOESN'T BREAK DOWN.



AT THE MOTOR POOL...

...SO IF YOU'LL CHECK IT OVER FOR ME, I'D **REALLY** APPRECIATE IT.

DON'T MAKE ME **LAUGH**, DOLITTLE!



FIRST-LINE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. MY JOB IS TO REPAIR OR REPLACE BROKEN EQUIPMENT.

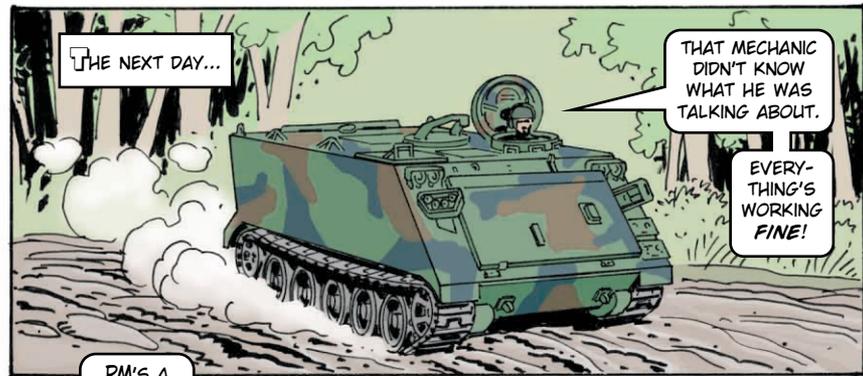


YOUR JOB IS TO PREVENT BREAK-DOWNS.

SO YOUR VEHICLE WILL **LAST**.



BUT, YOU'VE NEVER DONE YOUR PART. SO YOU'RE GONNA HAFTA LEARN THE **HARD** WAY.



THE NEXT DAY...

THAT MECHANIC DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HE WAS TALKING ABOUT.

EVERY-THING'S WORKING **FINE!**



PM'S A WASTE OF TIME. MY VEHICLE'S RUNNING LIKE A **TOP...**



...SMOOTH AS SILK. AND—



UGH... WHA' HAPPENED?



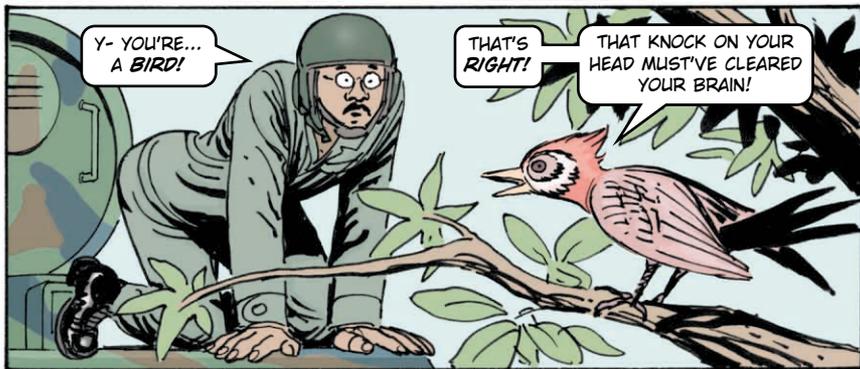
TH-THE HATCH COVER CAME DOWN ON ME.

OOOH... MY HEAD. I-I FEEL DIZZY...

THAT WAS SOME SMACK YOU TOOK ON THE OL' NOGGIN'!

WH-WHO SAID THAT?

ME!!



Y- YOU'RE...  
A BIRD!

THAT'S  
RIGHT!

THAT KNOCK ON YOUR  
HEAD MUST'VE CLEARED  
YOUR BRAIN!



AND IT'S ABOUT TIME  
YOU HUMANS LISTENED  
UP! I COULDA TOLD  
YOU THAT HATCH COVER  
WAS ABOUT TO FALL...



YOU FORGOT TO  
USE THE SAFETY  
PIN TO HOOK THE  
HATCH IN PLACE!



I- I DON'T  
BELIEVE  
THIS! I  
NEVER KNEW  
ANIMALS  
COULD  
TALK!

SURE  
WE CAN  
TALK.  
QUESTION  
IS, WILL  
YOU  
LISTEN?



WE CAN TELL YOU  
A FEW THINGS ABOUT  
HOW THE LACK OF PM  
PUT YOUR VEHICLE IN  
THE SHAPE IT'S IN.

PM'S HOW  
WE SURVIVE  
IN THE WILD.

Y- YOU'RE  
A  
RACCOON!



YOU GOT THAT  
RIGHT! NOW...  
LET'S TAKE A  
LOOK INSIDE  
YOUR VEHICLE.



GO AHEAD.  
EXCEPT FOR  
THAT HATCH,  
MY CARRIER  
IS RUNNING  
JUST FINE.



"LET'S CHECK THE SIGHT GLASS  
ON THE FAN GEAR BOX IN THE  
ENGINE COMPARTMENT."



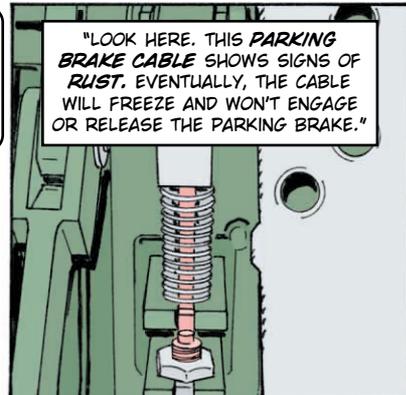
THE FAN IS IMPORTANT...  
BECAUSE IT EXHAUSTS THE  
ENGINE FUMES THAT MIGHT  
LEAK INTO THE TROOP  
COMPARTMENT.

UH-  
OH! I  
DIDN'T  
CHECK  
THAT.

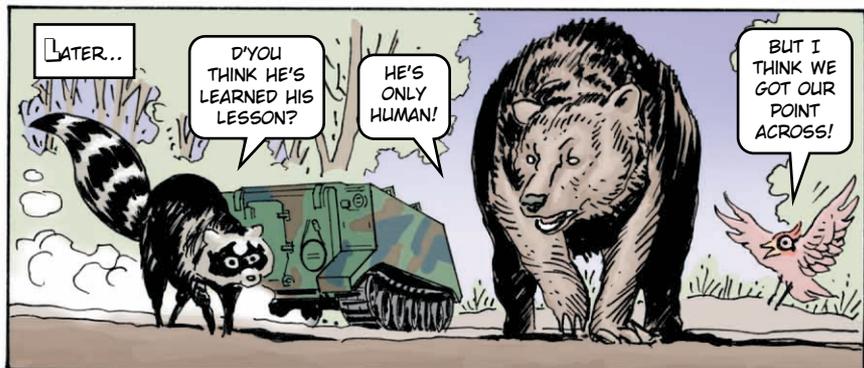
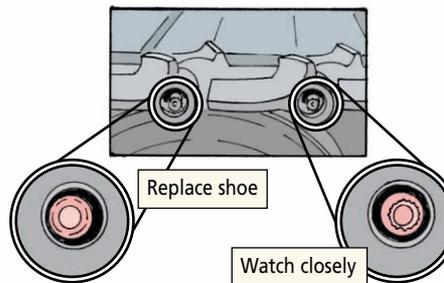
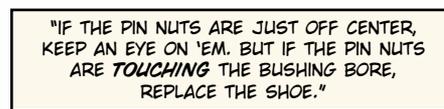
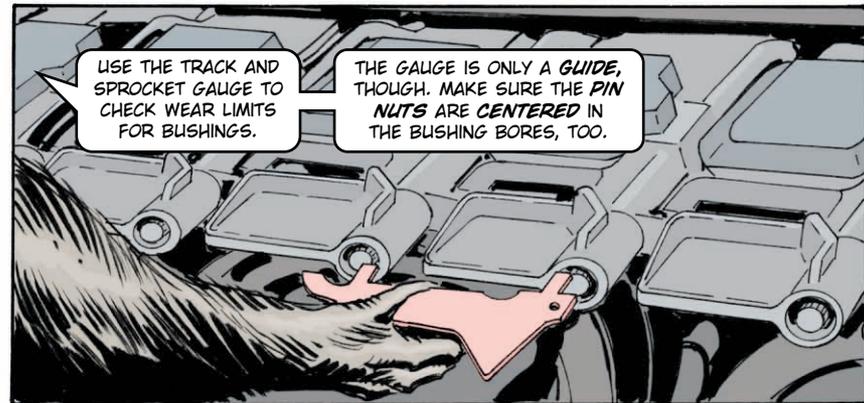
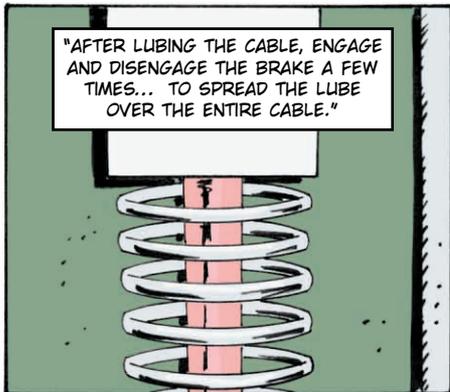


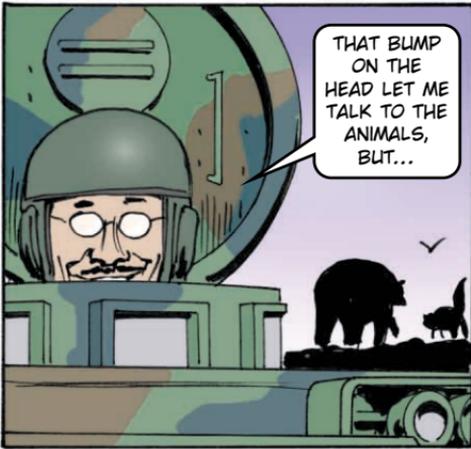
YOU SHOULD BE  
ABLE TO SEE OIL AT  
THE HALFWAY POINT IN  
THE SIGHT GLASS.  
RIGHT, BIRD?

RIGHT, RACCOON.  
THAT LACK OF OIL  
IS GONNA LET THE  
BEARINGS SEIZE... AND RUIN  
THE GEARBOX.



"LOOK HERE. THIS PARKING  
BRAKE CABLE SHOWS SIGNS OF  
RUST. EVENTUALLY, THE CABLE  
WILL FREEZE AND WON'T ENGAGE  
OR RELEASE THE PARKING BRAKE."





THAT BUMP ON THE HEAD LET ME TALK TO THE ANIMALS, BUT...



...THE REAL GIFT WAS LEARNING THE IMPORTANCE OF PM!



THAT WEEKEND...

WHAT A NIGHT, JOHN! I'M SO GLAD YOU WERE ABLE TO TAKE TO THE DANCE.

WOULDN'T HAVE MISSED IT, CINDY LOU.



I'M HAVING SUCH A GOOD TIME...

YOU'RE A REAL PARTY ANIMAL!



WELL, CINDY LOU... THERE'S A LOT TO BE SAID FOR ANIMALS!