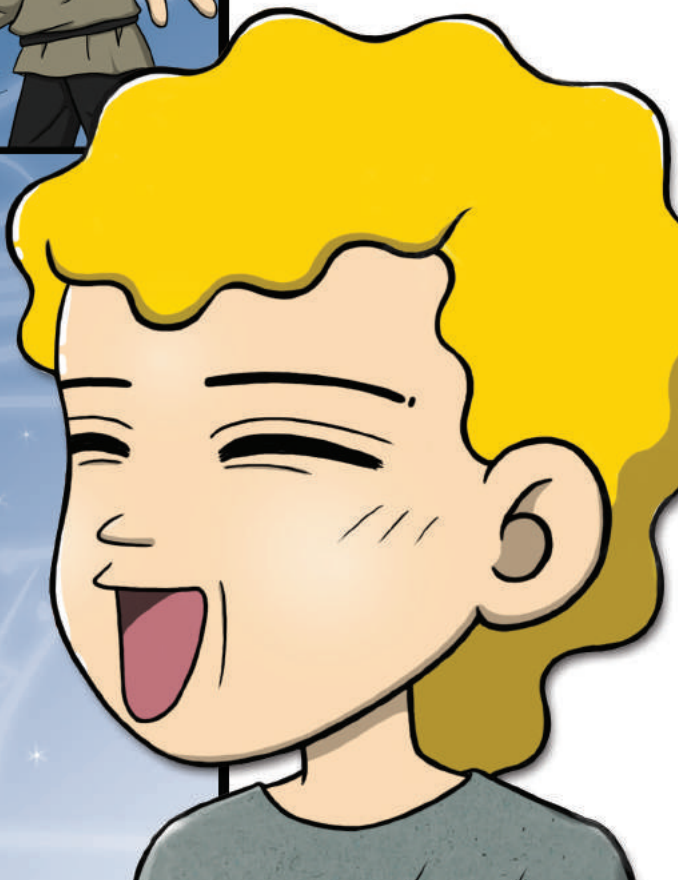


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SCHOOL AT A DOMINICAN* MONASTERY IN SAN MARCO

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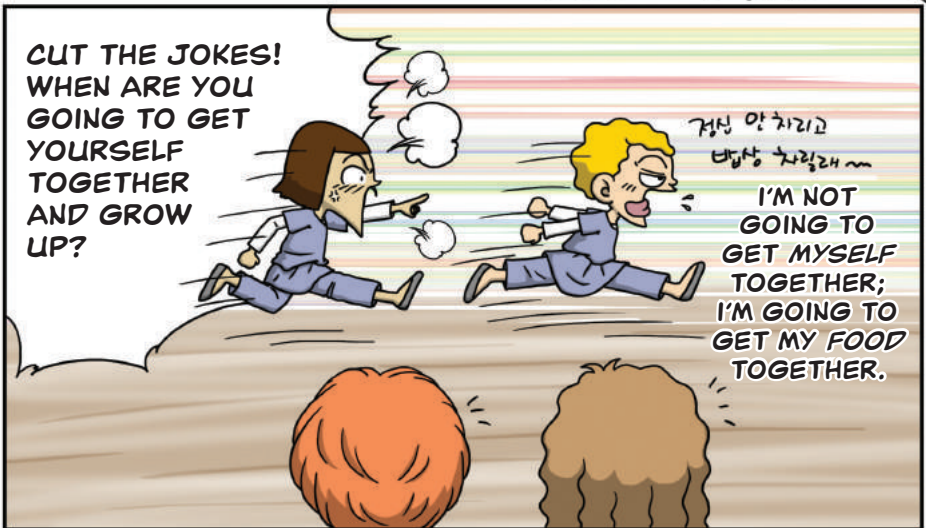
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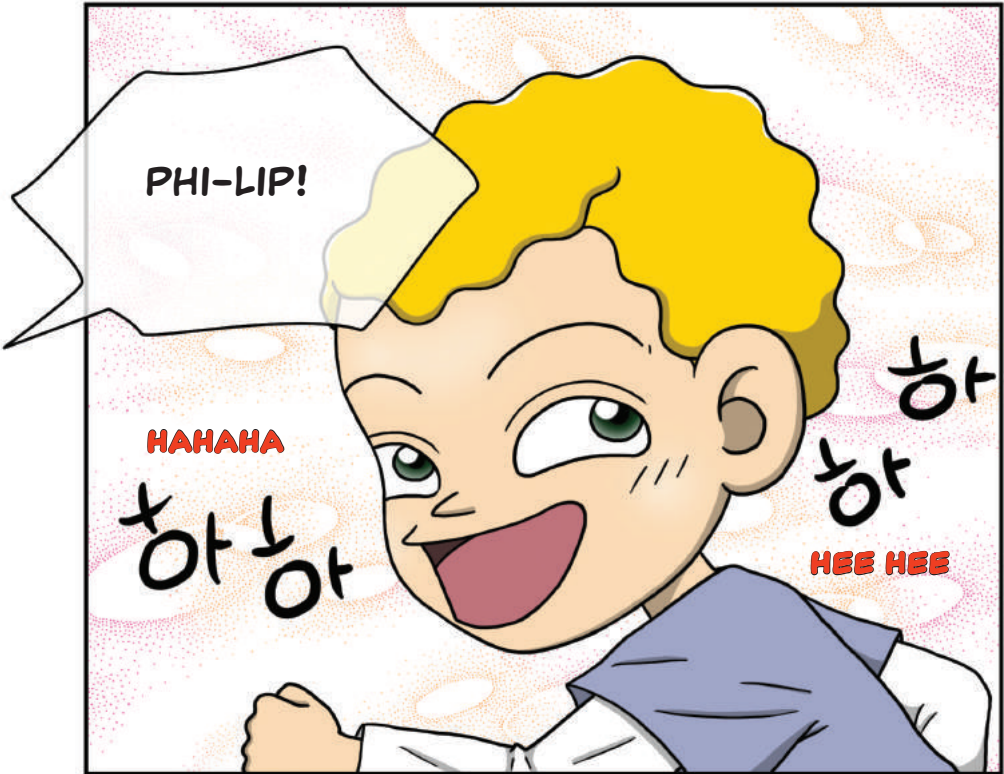
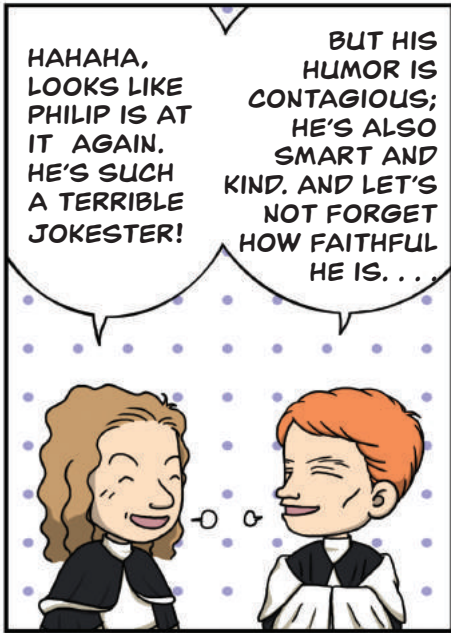
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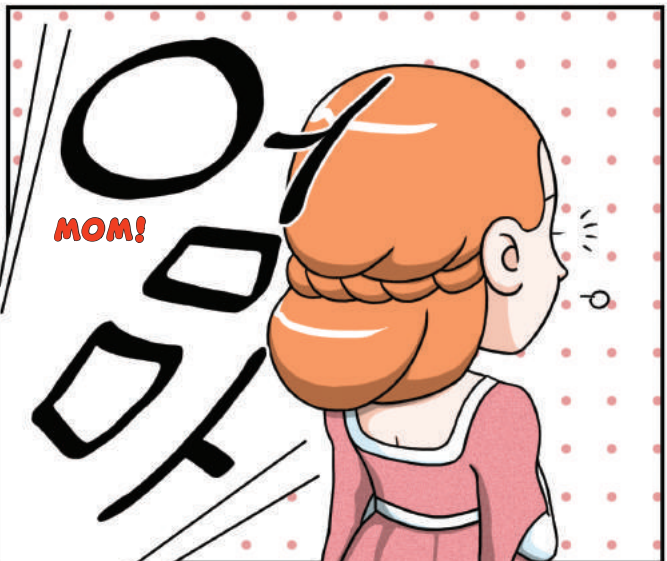
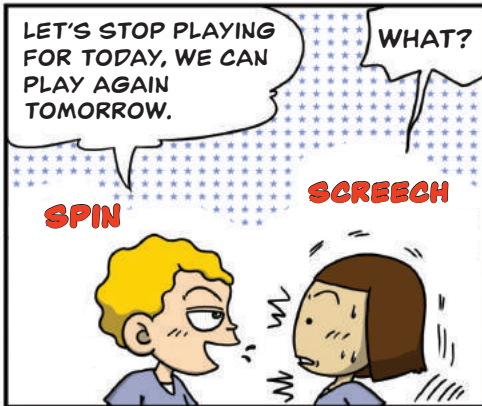
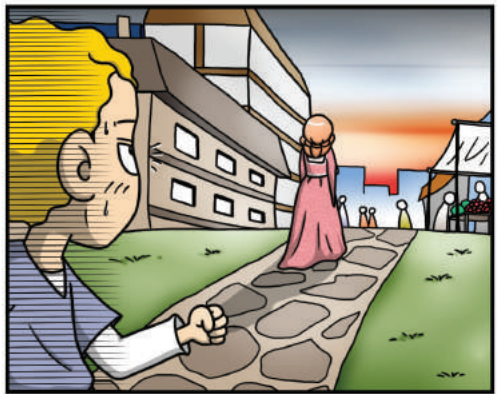
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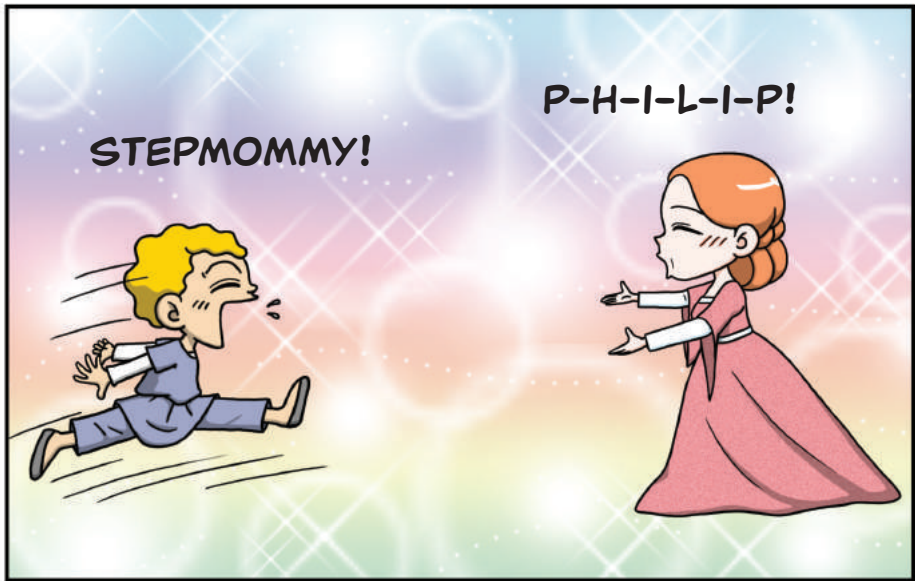
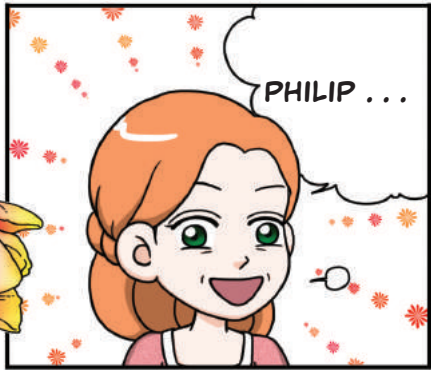
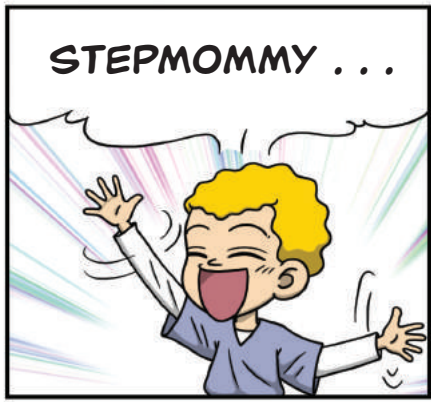
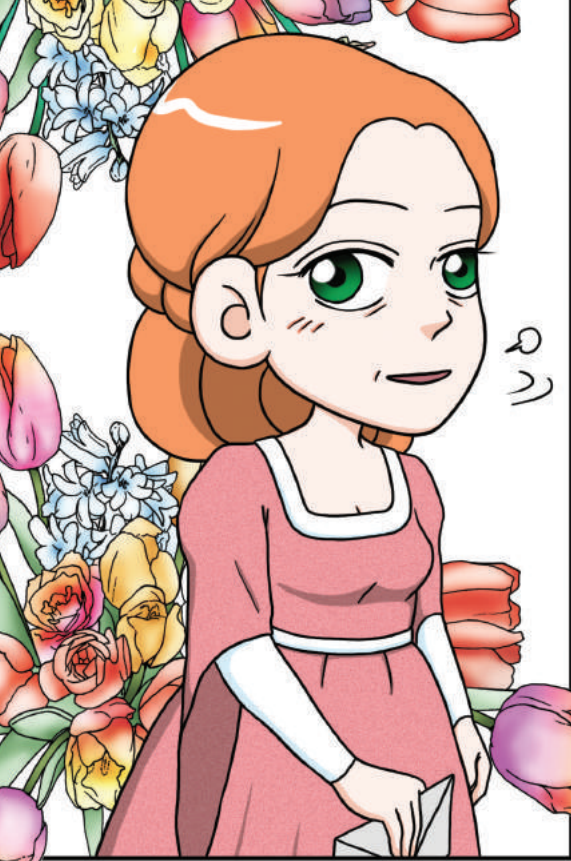
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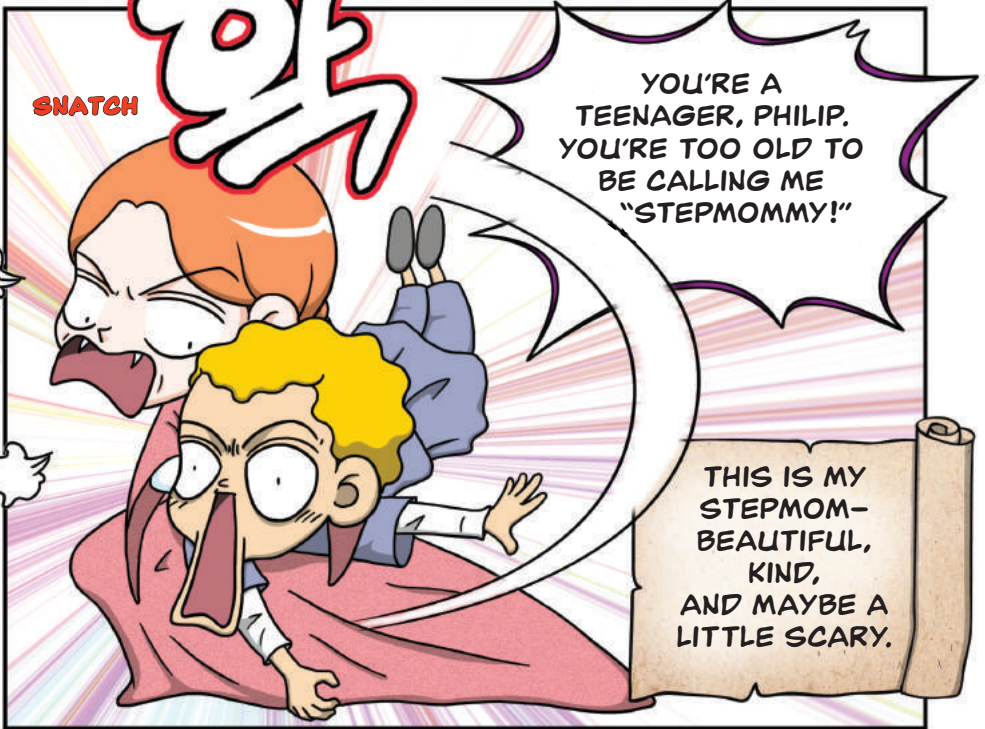
WAAAH!











IT'S NOW 1532 AND I AM 17 YEARS OLD. I WAS BORN IN FLORENCE, ITALY IN JULY 1515 TO A POOR FAMILY WITH TIES TO NOBILITY. WHEN I WAS 5 YEARS OLD, MY BIOLOGICAL MOTHER DIED AND THIS LADY BECAME MY STEPMOTHER.

PHILIP, YOU KNOW I REALLY CARE ABOUT YOU.

AND I REALLY LOVE YOU TOO, STEPMOM.

HUG

PHILIP, I'M ALWAYS LAUGHING WHEN YOU'RE AROUND! YOU MAKE IT FUN TO BE YOUR STEPMOM,

THEN, YOU SHOULD CALL ME YOUR FUN-SON!

MY STEPMOM IS PLAYFUL, CHEERFUL, AND KIND. I WAS INFLUENCED A LOT BY HER PERSONALITY AND SHE RAISED ME WELL. SHE'S GREAT AND NOT SCARY AT ALL.