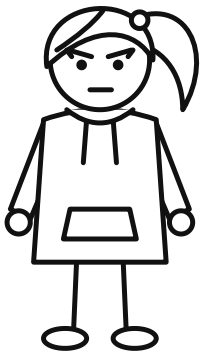
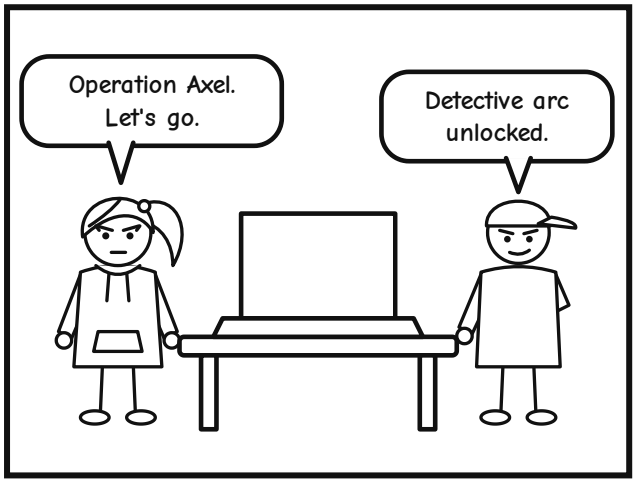
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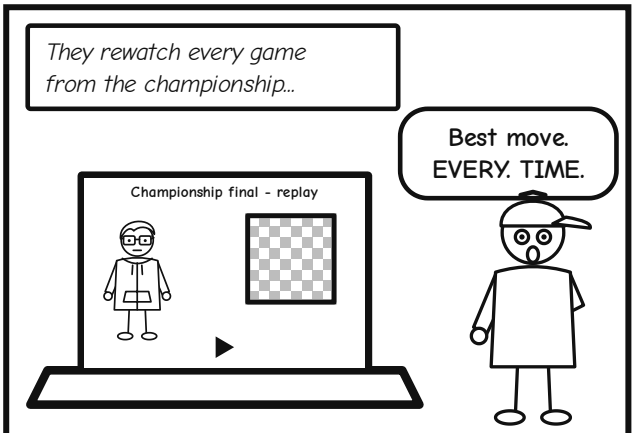


Maya and Zeke have one question: who IS Axel Vance?

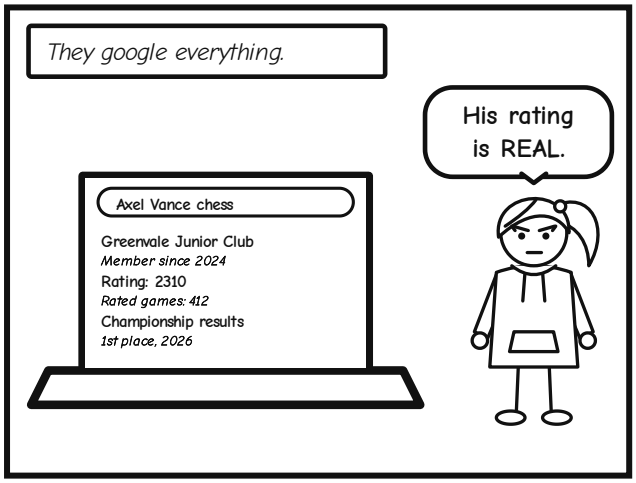




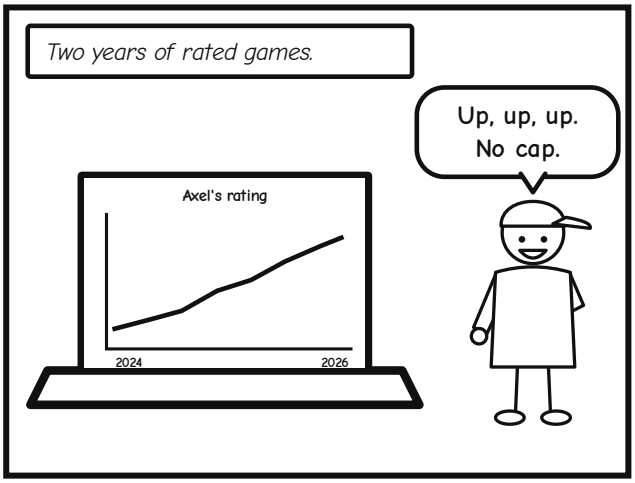
They rewatch every game from the championship...



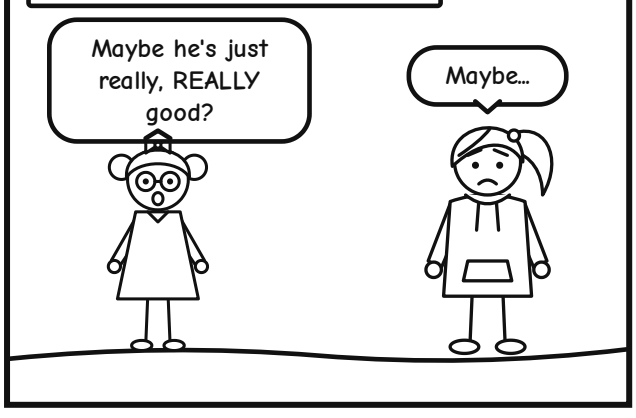
They google everything.



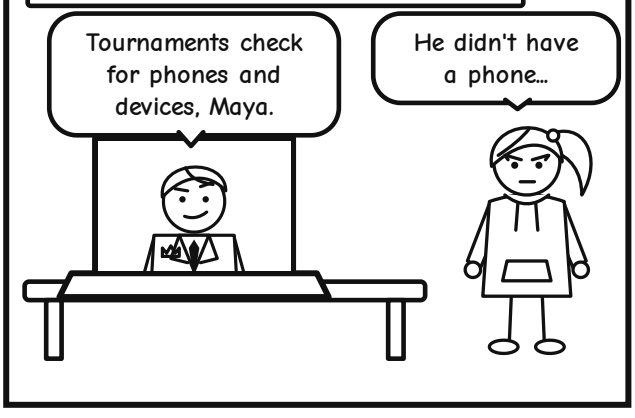
Two years of rated games.

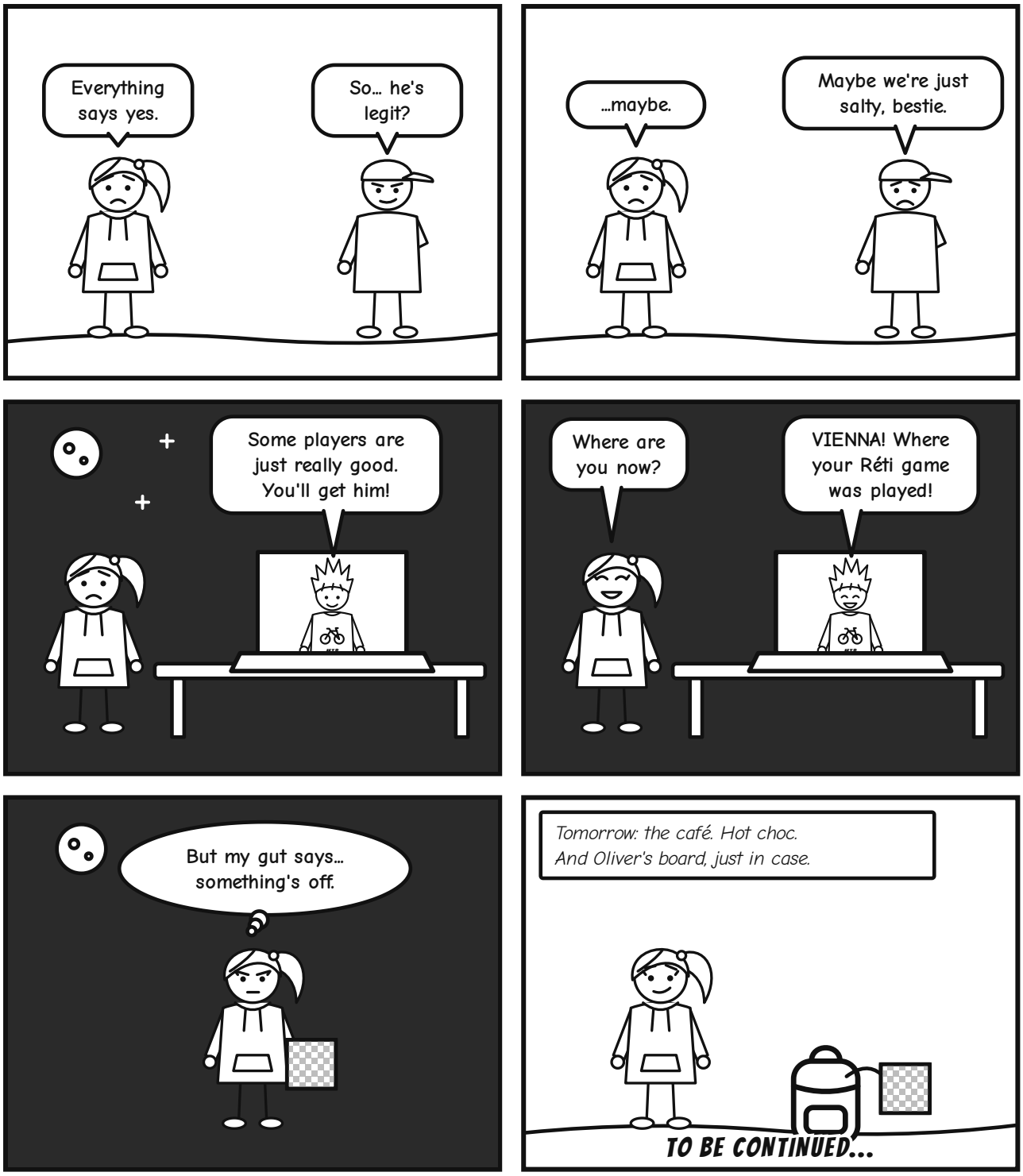


Tuesday. Maya's Chess Club.



Maya video calls Viktor Kingsley.





REAL CHESS CORNER

How chess ratings work: Most players have a rating, worked out with the Elo system (invented by Arpad Elo). Beat a stronger player and you gain lots of points; lose to a weaker one and you drop. A high rating takes hundreds of games to build - that's why Maya checked Axel's history.

Fair play: In most tournaments, phones and other electronic devices aren't allowed during a game, and arbiters (chess referees) keep things fair. If something seems wrong, you tell the arbiter quietly - you never accuse someone in public.

Vienna 1910: Oliver is right - Réti vs Tartakower, the game Maya used in Ep. 5, was played in Vienna.

A funny feeling isn't proof. Good detectives check the facts first.