

AS NOVEMBER CAME...
THE WEATHER GOT COLDER ALONG
WITH THE TEMPERATURE FLUCTUATING
BETWEEN DAY AND NIGHT.





AS FOR ME,
MY CONDITION GOT WORSE
AND I HAD TO GO HOME IN THE
MIDDLE OF CLASS.

DRIP



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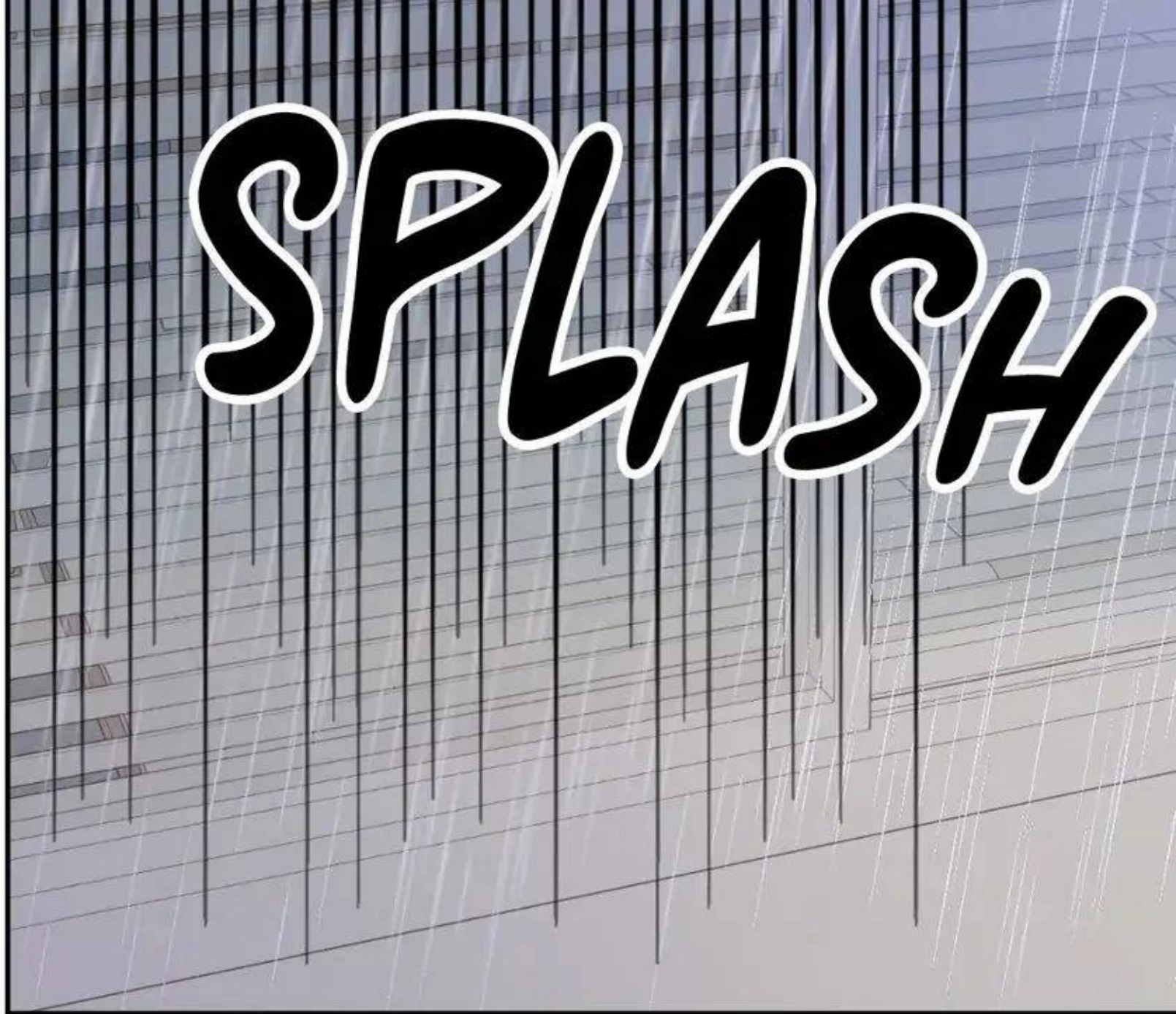
A VIOLENT
STORM WAS BREWING
OUTSIDE...

DRIP

WHOOOSH

DRIP

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A person with dark, shoulder-length hair is lying down, looking up with a surprised expression. Their mouth is open in an 'O' shape, and their eyes are wide. The background is a simple, light-colored wall with a wooden headboard visible on the left. A speech bubble is positioned above their head.

...AND I WENT TO
BED, HOPING THAT I DIDN'T
DEVELOP ANY MEDICAL
COMPLICATIONS.



Heartthrob

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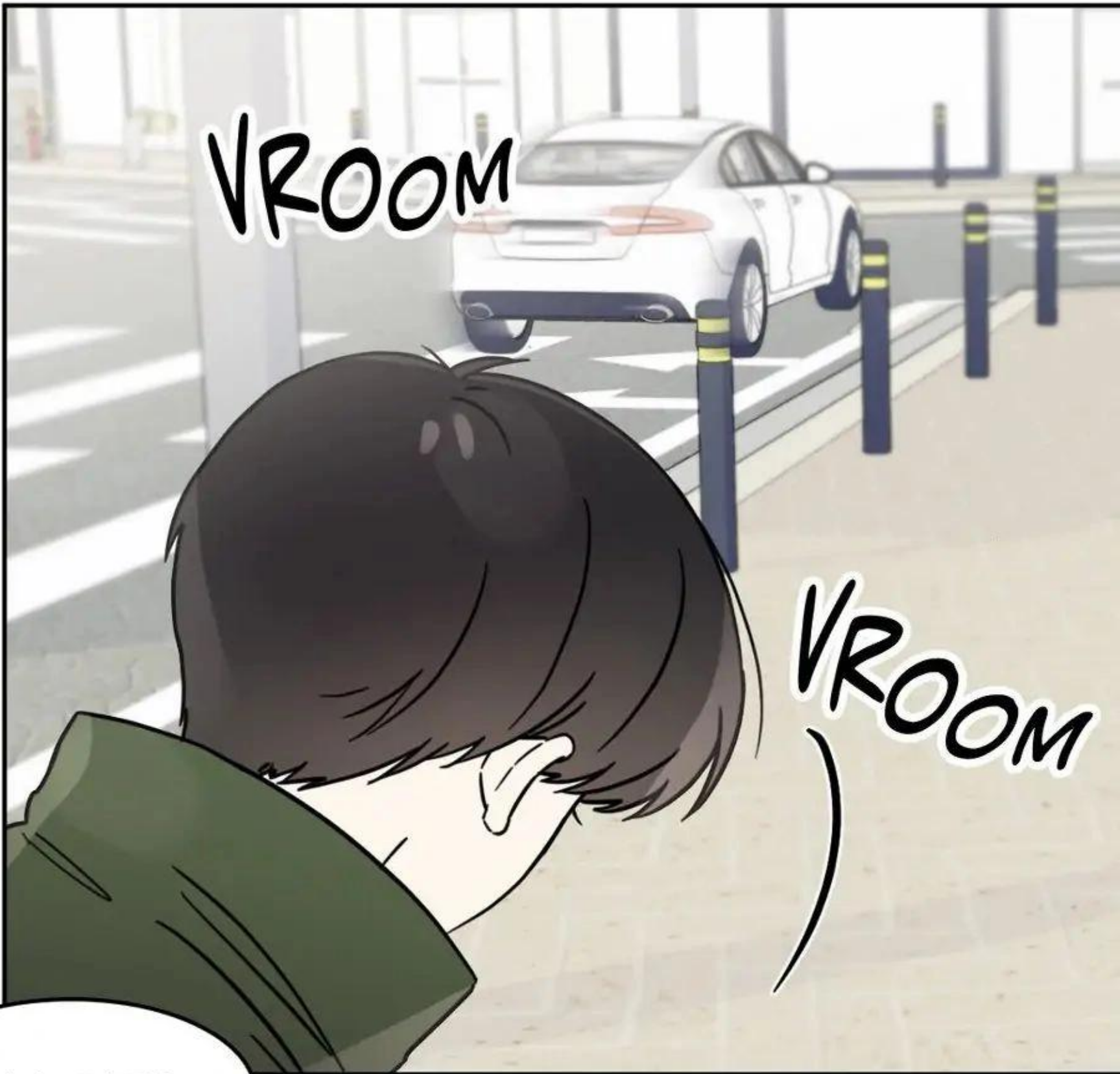
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GASP

**HEY, KID!
YA GOT A DEATH WISH
OR SOMETHIN'?! WATCH
WHERE YA GOIN'!**



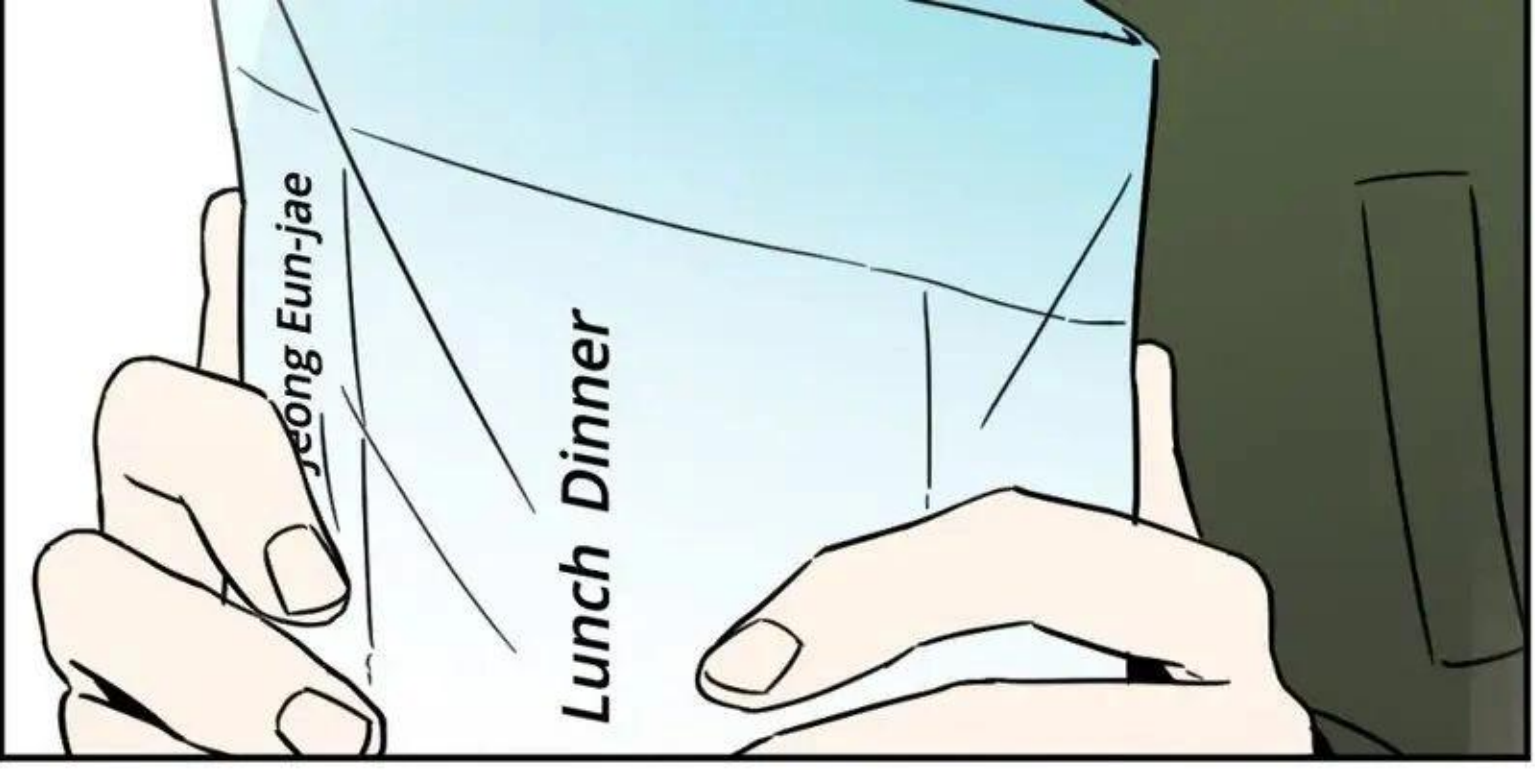


EUN-JAE?











I'M FINE. I JUST
NEEDED A REFILL ON MY
MEDICATION.



RUSTLE

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IT'S NOTHING.
BUT WHY ARE YOU
HERE? COMING DOWN
WITH SOMETHING?

NO. JUST HERE
TO SEE A FRIEND WHO
IS HOSPITALIZED HERE.
GOING HOME NOW?

UH-HUH.

NOD NOD

SHRUG





LET'S GO.



I WAS ONCE
HOSPITALIZED HERE TOO
WHEN I WAS YOUNG. THE FRIEND
THAT I JUST VISITED, WE GOT TO
KNOW EACH OTHER WHILE I
WAS STAYING HERE.



STEP

STEP

I GOT
DISCHARGED PRETTY
QUICKLY, BUT I HEARD HE HAD
TO COME HERE FAIRLY
REGULARLY.

FWIP

TAP



I MEAN,
HE LOOKS OKAY ON
THE OUTSIDE, BUT THE
PROBLEM IS
HERE.



SO THEY
DID KEEP IN TOUCH.
I ALWAYS THOUGHT THEY
LOOKED LIKE REALLY
CLOSE FRIENDS.

M-MUST
HURT A LOT,
RIGHT?









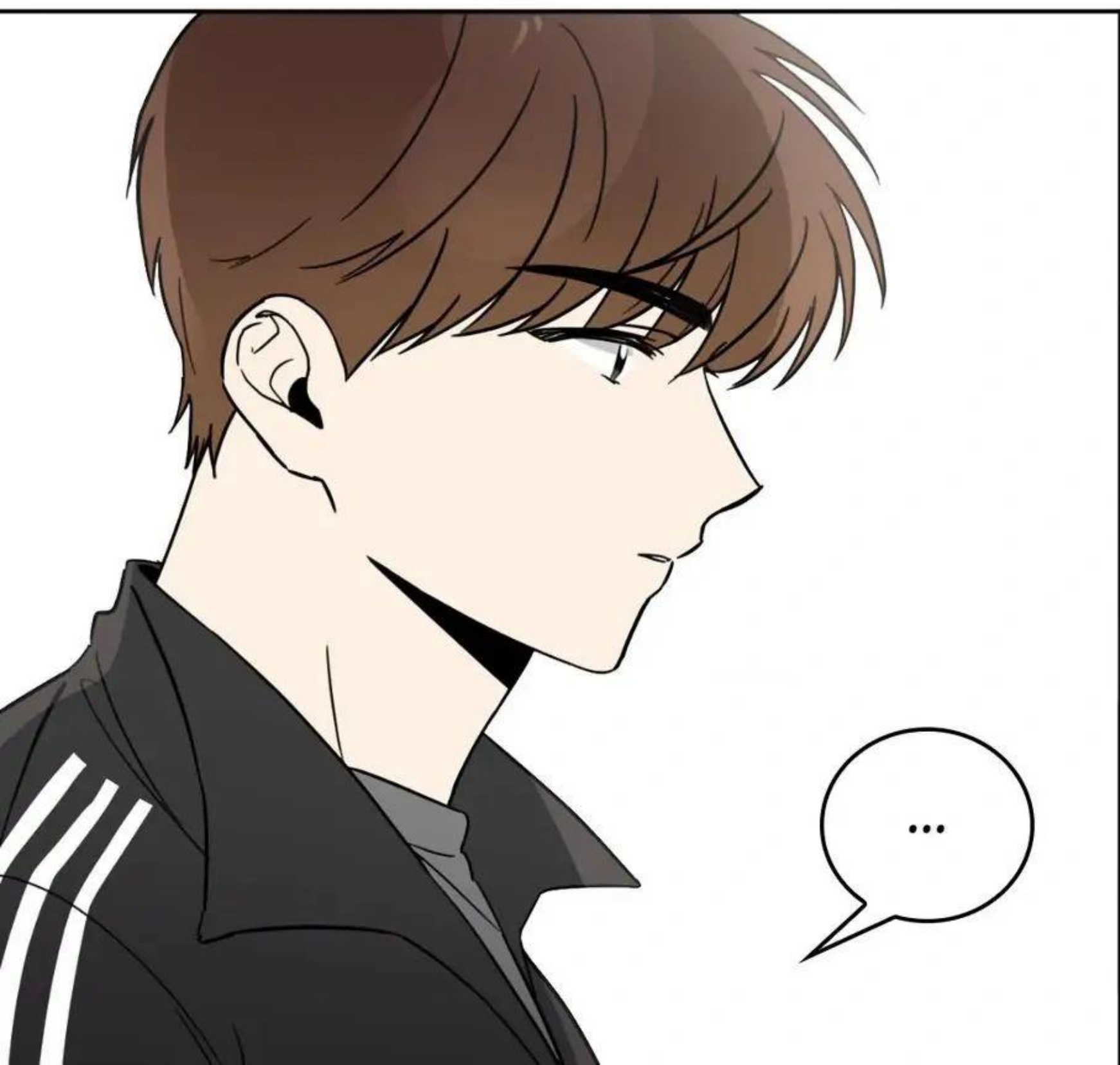


HEY...



HMM?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?

TILT





NEVER MIND.
LET'S GO.

NOW I GET IT.

FWIP



W-WAS THERE
SOMETHING ON
MY FACE....?

BLUSH



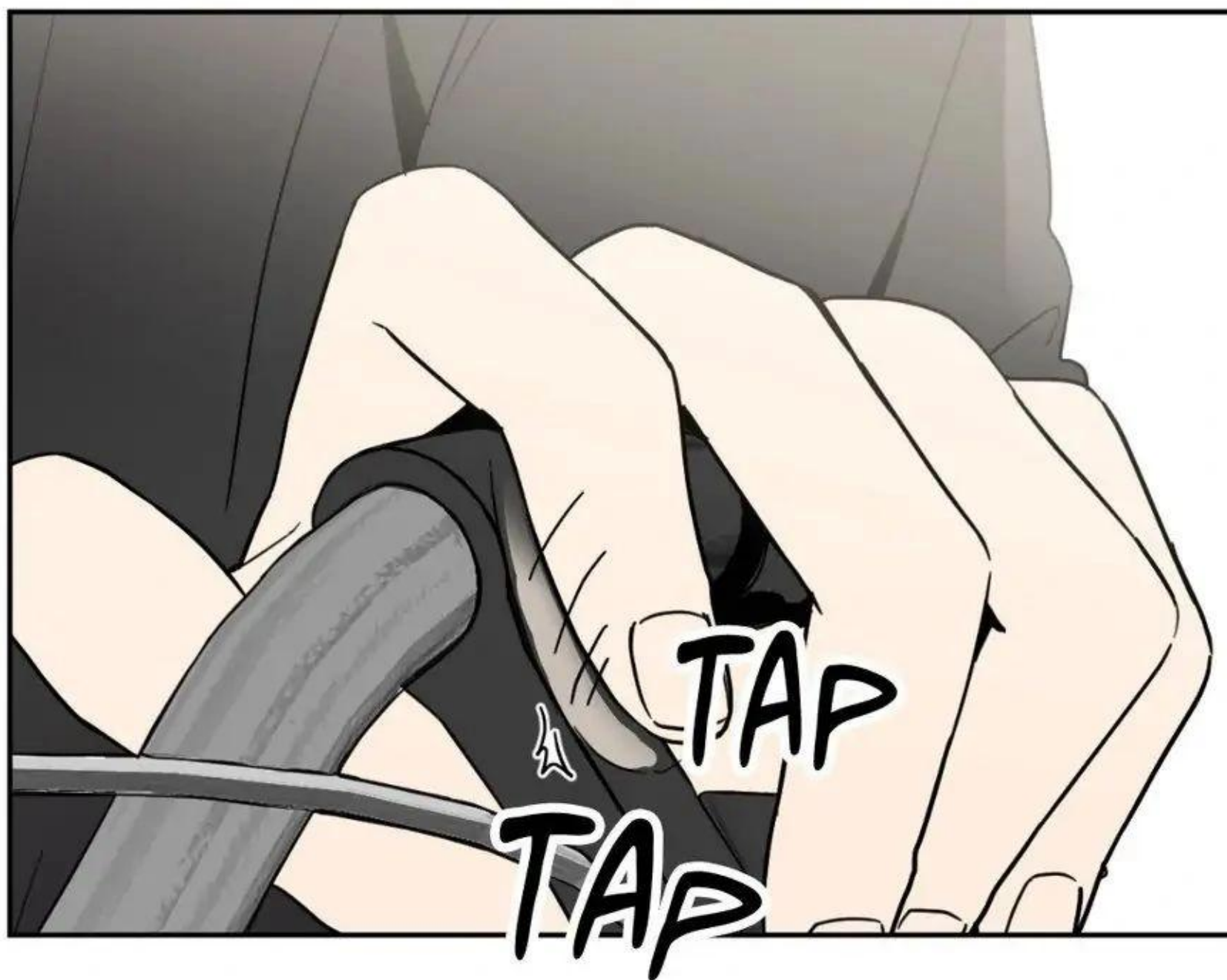
HOP ON,
EUN-JAE.



FIDGET



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OKAY...
SINCE YOU
INSIST...

I DUNNO
WHERE I SHOULD PUT
MY HANDS...





GRAB ON TO ME
AND NOT MY CLOTHES.
I DON'T CARE WHERE
YOU TOUCH ME.

OH... SORRY.







SORRY FOR
MAKING YOU FEEL
WORRIED.







OH...
I WASN'T
FEELING TOO
WELL.



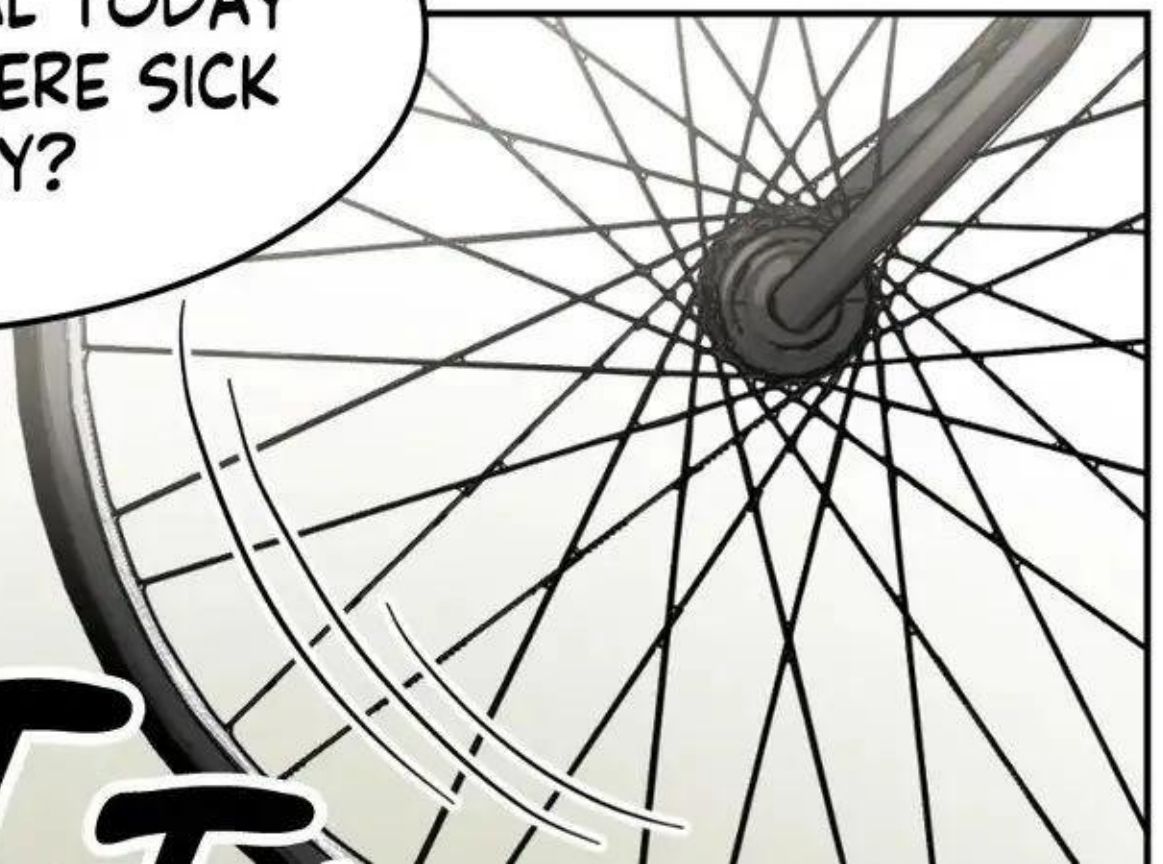
**TAE-UN'S NOT
BULLYING YOU AGAIN,
IS HE?**

**NO, I DON'T
THINK HE'S BULLIED
ME EVER SINCE YOU
HELPED OUT.**



**AND YOU CAME
TO THE HOSPITAL TODAY
BECAUSE YOU WERE SICK
YESTERDAY?**

RAT



WILE

YEAH...



NOTHING TOO
SERIOUS. I JUST NEED
TO TAKE MY MEDS AND
I'LL BE ALL RIGHT.



THAT'S WHY
I LIED TO YOU. BECAUSE
I FELT BAD ABOUT YOU ALWAYS
HELPING ME OUT WHENEVER
I NEEDED IT.



YOU DON'T HAVE
TO BE SORRY ABOUT THAT.
JUST SAY THANK YOU,
OKAY?



YEAH...
YOU'VE ALWAYS
BEEN THERE FOR
ME...

WHEN I
NEEDED YOU THE
MOST. THANKS.





SQUEEZE



A close-up illustration of a hand with light skin pulling a dark, possibly black, strap or fabric. The hand is positioned at the top left, with fingers gripping the strap. The strap has a white line running along its length, suggesting a seam or a specific material texture. The background is dark and indistinct.

HOLD ON
TIGHTER, OKAY?

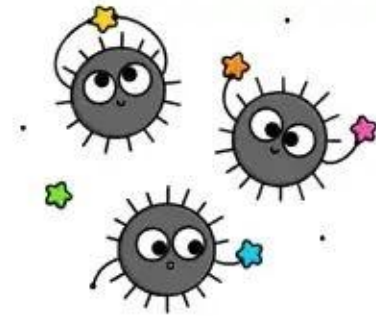
PULL

IN THAT MOMENT,
I NO LONGER FELT JEALOUS
OF HIM VISITING THAT FRIEND.
AND I COULDN'T HELP BUT GRIN
WIDER AND WIDER FOR EVERY
HEARTBEAT I FELT.





To be continued...



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