

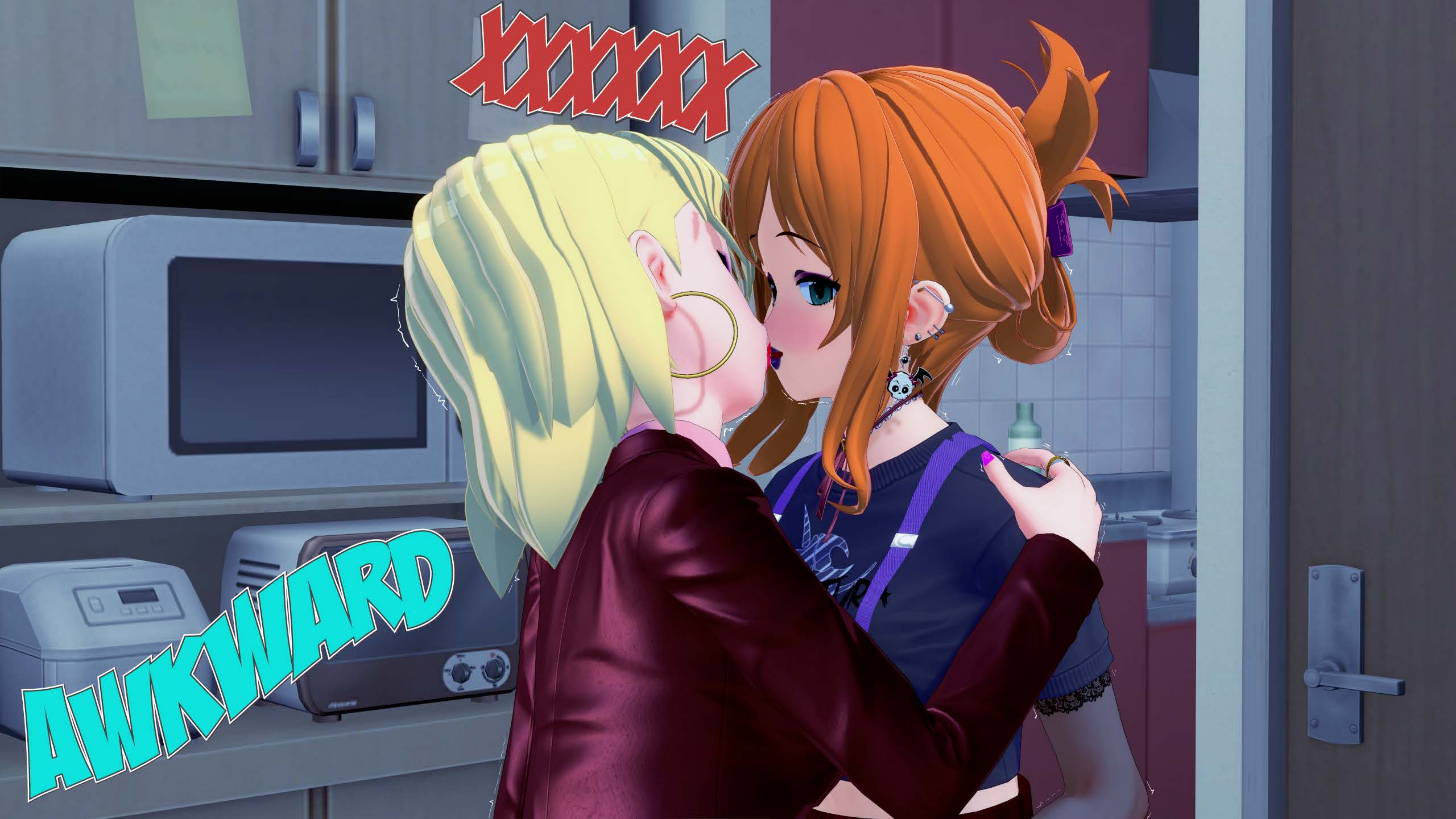
BACK HOME...

HEY...



XXXXXXXXXX

AWKWARD





SURPRISED

WHAT WAS THAT FOR?

WHAT, I
CAN'T SPOIL
MY GIRL A
LITTLE?





YOU'RE NOT USUALLY LIKE THAT...

ESPECIALLY NOT WITH ME...

UNFORTUNATELY...

UNSETTLING

HELP? NAH...

JUST
WONDERING IF
YOU'RE FREE FOR
A LITTLE BOARD
GAME ACTION

YOU
NEED
SOMETHING?
WANT HELP WITH
ANYTHING?



DON'T ACT SO SURPRISED

WAIT, YOU INVITING ME TO A GAME NIGHT?

SHOCKED



IT'S
JUST ME AND
JUNE TONIGHT,
WE'RE ONE
PLAYER SHORT

COULDN'T YOU
TWO JUST PLAY
TOGETHER?



IT'S NOT THE SAME... YOU KNOW, WHEN IT'S JUST 1-ON-1, MOST OF THE MULTIPLAYER FEELING IS LOST. IT JUST TURNS INTO BLOCKING EACH OTHER





KIND OF...

SO...
YOU DO NEED
ME

SO?
YOU IN?

I
DON'T HAVE
ANYTHING
BETTER TO
DO...

THAT
SOUNDS
LIKE A YES

I'M IN...

GOOD!

I'M
GONNA CALL
THE UBER IN A
BIT, OKAY?



FINE!



AT JUNE'S PLACE...

HEY, JUNE

HI!

HELLO BEA!
SOPHIA!





HAVE YOU EVER PLAYED BOARD GAMES, SOPHIA?

I USED TO PLAY 18XX A LOT, SOMETIMES EURO GAMES TOO, BUT NOW... I'M JUST A GAMER WITHOUT A GROUP

BEA
ALWAYS SPEAKS
OUT AGAINST MALE
COMPETITIVENESS



SO YOU
AND BEA
DON'T PLAY
TOGETHER
OFTEN?



I SEE!



AND I
STILL DO...
THERE'S A LOT
OF JERKS WHO
ONLY CARE
ABOUT WINNING,
AND IT MAKES THE
WHOLE GAME
UNFUN FOR
EVERYONE
ELSE

I THINK
EVERY GIRL IN
OUR GROUP
KINDA AGREES
WITH THAT..

YOU
LOVE
SAYING THAT,
BEA... BUT YOU
KNOW THAT...

BUT
SOPHIA WAS
NEVER A MAN TO
BEGIN WITH... OR
THE COMPETITIVE
JERK TYPE, SO SHE
FITS RIGHT IN
HERE!



I DON'T CARE



SO,
WHAT GAME
ARE WE PLAYING
TODAY?

MHMM!

LET'S
DECIDE
TOGETHER,
OKAY?



SOME TIME LATER...

THIS IS TERRAFORMING MARS

IMAGINE THAT IN THE FUTURE, AFTER HUMANS FINISHED DESTROYING EARTH, THEY BEGAN SPREADING ACROSS SPACE... EACH OF US CONTROLS A CORPORATION TRYING TO EXPAND ITS POWER BY MAKING MARS HABITABLE THROUGH TERRAFORMING



THE GAME ENDS ONCE MARS BECOMES HABITABLE FOR HUMANS, THAT HAPPENS WHEN ALL THREE GLOBAL PARAMETERS: TEMPERATURE, OXYGEN, AND OCEAN REACH THEIR GOALS. THE GAME ENDS AT THE END OF THAT ROUND

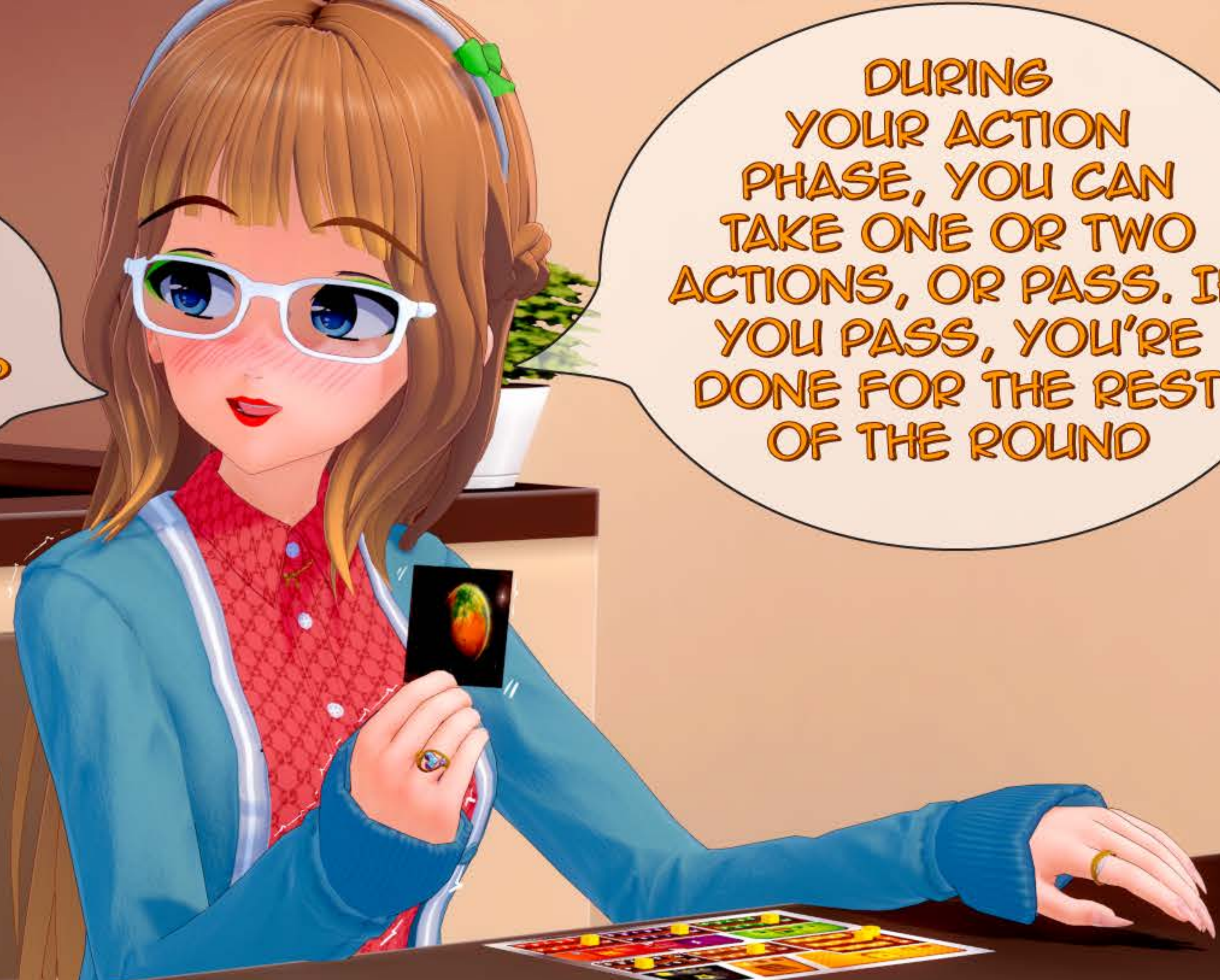




OKAY

LET'S GO OVER THE POSSIBLE ACTIONS, OKAY?

THE FIRST ONE IS "PLAY A CARD"...



DURING YOUR ACTION PHASE, YOU CAN TAKE ONE OR TWO ACTIONS, OR PASS. IF YOU PASS, YOU'RE DONE FOR THE REST OF THE ROUND

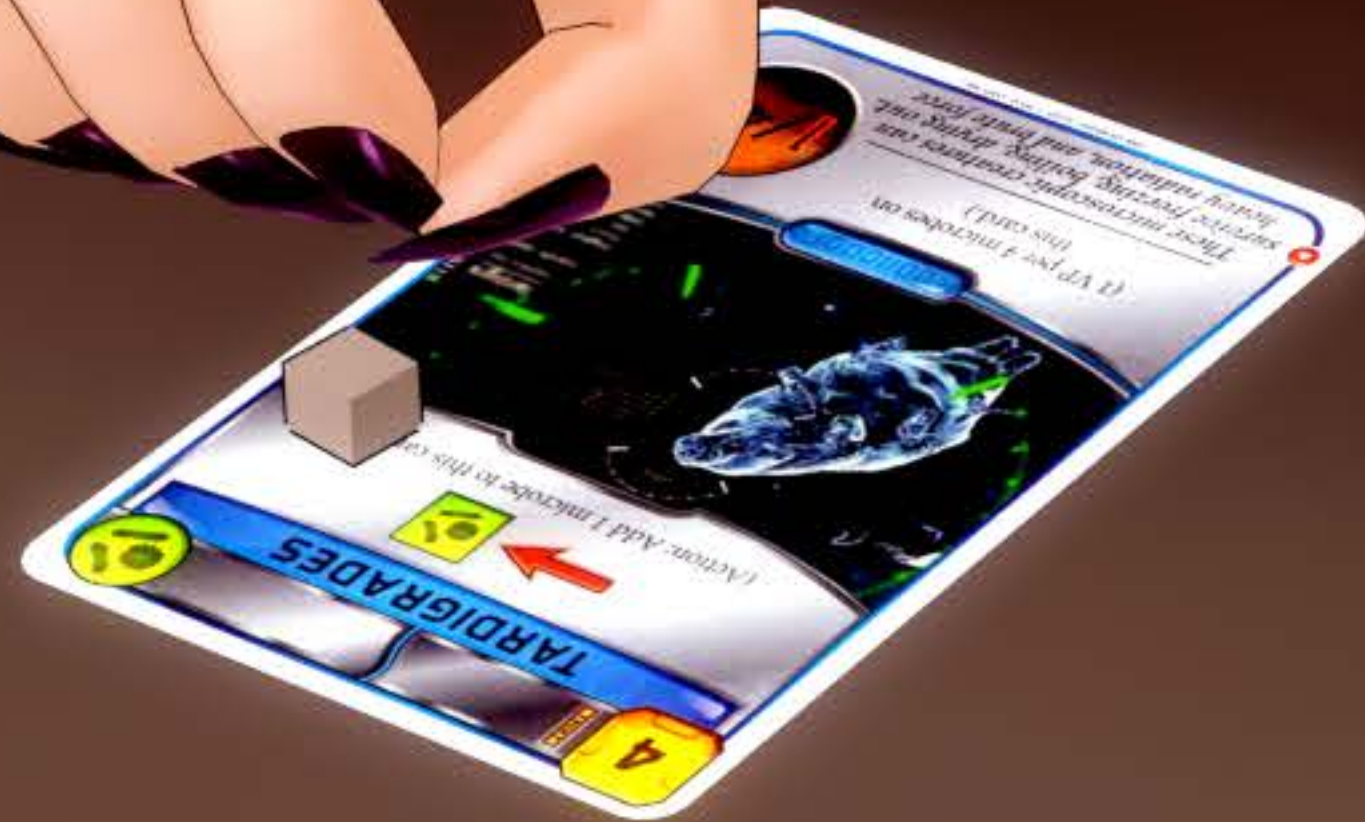


A FEW MINUTES LATER...

THE RULES AREN'T TOO COMPLICATED... BUT THERE'S SO MUCH TEXT ON THESE CARDS. AND I HAVE TO DRAFT THEM TOO? SO MANY CHOICES!



FOR MY FIRST PLAY, I'LL PLAY THIS TARDIGRADES CARD... AND FOR MY SECOND, I'LL ACTIVATE IT



A FEW HOURS LATER...

GGG, GIRLS!





YOU DID REALLY WELL FOR YOUR FIRST TIME PLAYING, SOPHIA

THAT WORKS FOR A LOT OF GAMES!

I DIDN'T DO GREAT, BUT I HAD SO MUCH FUN BUILDING MY ENGINE!

THANKS! I JUST TRIED TO FOCUS ON ONE THING

THANKS FOR SAVING GAME NIGHT, SOPHIA. I'M REALLY GLAD YOU ENJOYED IT



YOU WERE SO PATIENT, JUNE AND YOU EXPLAINED THE GAME REALLY WELL!



BACK HOME...

YOU WERE A VERY GOOD GIRL TONIGHT, SOPHIA... YOU'RE GOING TO GET A REWARD

A RE-REWARD?

RUB
RUB

MMMMMM

GASP!



I'M SO SORE DOWN THERE... RICH IS AN ANIMAL

BUT DON'T WORRY, SOPHIA, I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN ABOUT YOU

I'LL GO GRAB THE LUBE

RUB

RUB

MMMMMMMM

BLUSHING



DOUBT

WHY IS
BEA ALWAYS
GASLIGHTING ME?
SHE CONFUSES ME SO
MUCH... I FEEL ANXIOUS,
AND YET SHE ALWAYS
GETS WHAT SHE
WANTS...



AWKWARD

TZZZZZ
TZZZ

WHY SO
TENSE, SOPHIA?
IS THAT HOW YOU
GREET YOUR BEST
FRIEND? C'MON...
SAY HI



DON'T EXPECT ME TO DO ALL THE WORK HERE... IF YOU WANT IT, YOU'LL HAVE TO TAKE THE LEAD, SOPHIA

TZZZ
TZZZ

8:88



THAT'S IT! KEEP GOING!

I LOVE HOW NATURALLY YOU HANDLE IT, SOPHIA... I BET YOU'D REALLY ENJOY THE REAL THING

TZZZ

MMMMMMMM





I
JUST LOVE
HOW WELL YOU'VE
ACCEPTED YOUR
PLACE... WHILE I'M OFF
GETTING WRECKED BY
SOME GUY, HERE YOU
ARE, GETTING
WORKED OVER BY A
TOY

OOOH!

OOOH!

YES! YES! KEEPING MOVING



HAHAHA!

MY
FAVORITE
PART NOW... THE
PART WHEN YOU LICK
YOUR OWN MESS
CLEAN!

AWWWAAH!

