

# BLOOM U

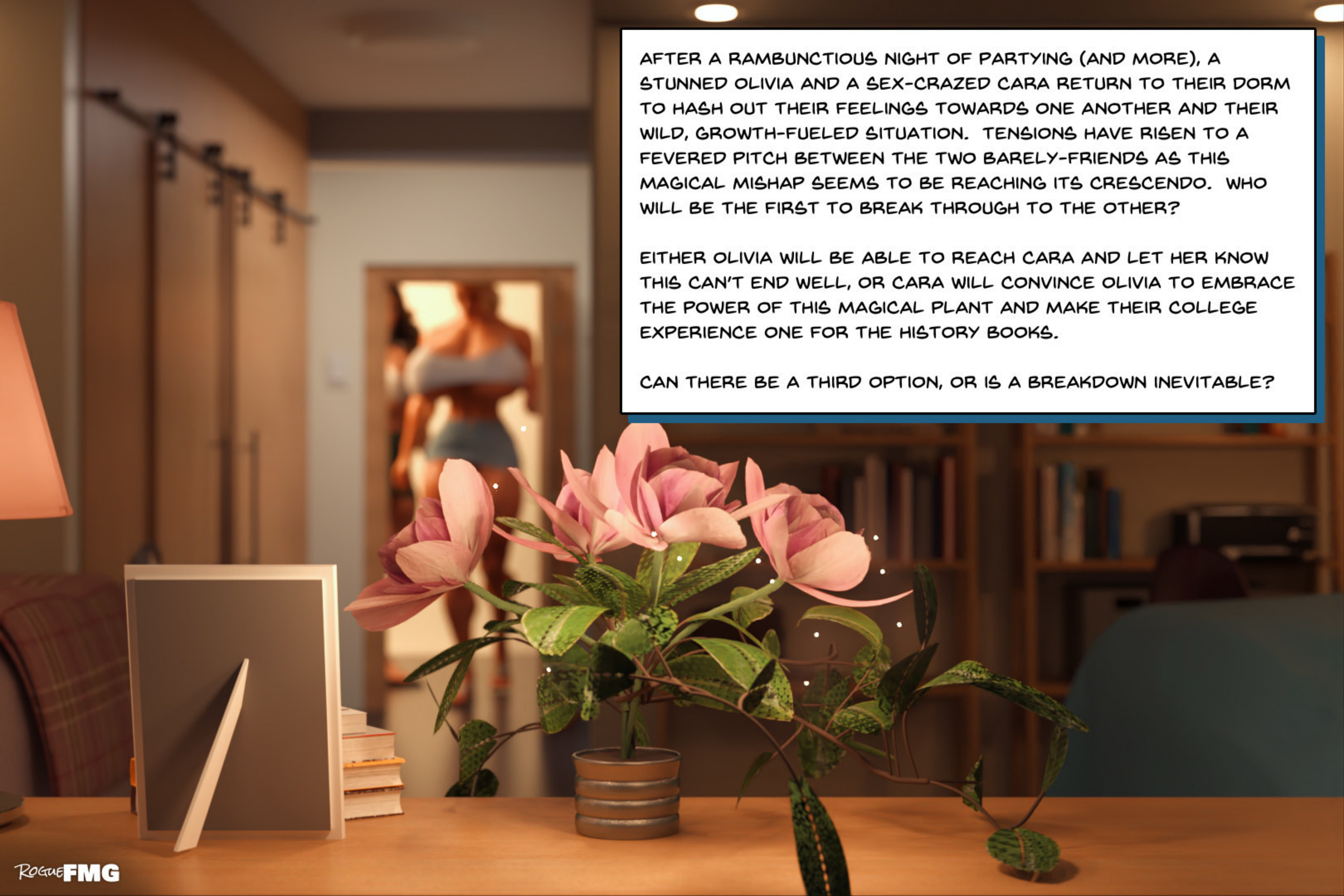
PART 8



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AFTER A RAMBUNCTIOUS NIGHT OF PARTYING (AND MORE), A STUNNED OLIVIA AND A SEX-CRAZED CARA RETURN TO THEIR DORM TO HASH OUT THEIR FEELINGS TOWARDS ONE ANOTHER AND THEIR WILD, GROWTH-FUELED SITUATION. TENSIONS HAVE RISEN TO A FEVERED PITCH BETWEEN THE TWO BARELY-FRIENDS AS THIS MAGICAL MISHAP SEEMS TO BE REACHING ITS CRESCENDO. WHO WILL BE THE FIRST TO BREAK THROUGH TO THE OTHER?

EITHER OLIVIA WILL BE ABLE TO REACH CARA AND LET HER KNOW THIS CAN'T END WELL, OR CARA WILL CONVINCE OLIVIA TO EMBRACE THE POWER OF THIS MAGICAL PLANT AND MAKE THEIR COLLEGE EXPERIENCE ONE FOR THE HISTORY BOOKS.


CAN THERE BE A THIRD OPTION, OR IS A BREAKDOWN INEVITABLE?



I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU  
WOULD JUST FORCE ME OUT OF THE  
PLACE LIKE THAT! IF I KNEW YOU'D  
DO SOMETHING THAT STUPID, I  
WOULDN'T HAVE REMINDED YOU TO  
SHOW UP!









I WAS BEING TREATED  
LIKE A QUEEN AT THAT PARTY,  
AND YOU HAD TO COME RUIN  
ALL OF IT!






RUIN? CARA, WE  
BOTH GOT TALLER IN FRONT OF  
EVERYBODY THERE! WHAT THE  
HELL ARE WE SUPPOSED TO TELL  
EVERYBODY TOMORROW!?





WHO CARES!?  
ALL THE GUYS ARE JUST  
GONNA DROP THEIR JAWS AND THE  
GIRLS ARE GOING TO CALL US BITCHES  
EITHER WAY BECAUSE THEY KNOW THEY  
LOST THE COMPETITION!





YOU AND I RUN THIS SCHOOL NOW. WHY DON'T YOU GET THAT? WE'VE GOT FOUR YEARS TO MAKE THIS PLACE OUR BITCH AND YOU'RE STILL BEING THE SAME LITTLE DOPEY INTROVERT.


DOPEY? THAT'S REALLY HOW YOU THOUGHT OF ME THIS WHOLE TIME, HUH?





WHAT?  
THAT MAKE YOU  
MAD? ARE YOU  
ACTUALLY GOING TO  
DO SOMETHING ABOUT  
IT OR ARE YOU GOING  
TO RUN OFF AND BE  
SAD TO YOURSELF  
IN THE MIRROR  
AGAIN?





COME ON! YOU'RE  
EITHER GOING TO STAY  
A LITTLE FUCKING BABY  
OR YOU'RE GOING TO  
COME OUT OF THIS A  
QUEEN LIKE ME!





UHH





⇒ HMFF! ⇐





YOU REALLY  
WANT TO DO THIS,  
HUH?



















ALL I'VE DONE IS  
TRY TO BE FRIENDS WITH YOU  
SINCE WE GOT HERE!





THERE'S A REASON  
NOBODY WANTED TO DEAL WITH  
YOUR BULLSHIT FROM DAY ONE  
AND I GOT STUCK WITH IT AS  
YOUR ROOMMATE.





YOU'RE SELFISH.  
YOU THINK ONLY OF YOURSELF  
AND HOW COLLEGE IS GOING TO  
AFFECT YOU!









BUT LIKE A LITTLE  
FUCKING BABY, YOU HAVE NO  
CARE WHAT COMES AFTER  
COLLEGE!






OUT OF  
THE TWO OF  
US HERE-







-I WAS ALWAYS THE  
BIGGER WOMAN TAKING  
PITY ON YOU!






THE ONLY REASON  
YOU HAVE ANYTHING OTHER  
THAN STDs HERE HAS BEEN  
ME!



I HAVE MY OWN  
SHIT TO DEAL WITH, THE  
LEAST OF ALL THE FACT  
THAT I'M LIKE NINE FUCKING  
FEET TALL NOW.








CELESTE IS THE ONLY  
OTHER PERSON WHO HAS  
ANY IDEA WHAT THE FUCK IS  
GOING ON WITH US AND  
SHE'S PROBABLY HAPPY THIS  
IS ALL HAPPENING!





IT'S NOT THAT I  
DON'T LIKE THIS, BUT THIS  
WASN'T HOW THINGS WERE  
SUPPOSED TO GO.



A digital illustration of two muscular women in a bedroom. The woman on the left has long, wavy brown hair and is wearing a white sports bra and black shorts, sitting on a bed with a blue blanket. The woman on the right has blonde hair in a ponytail and is wearing a white sports bra and blue shorts, sitting on a bed with a pink and white checkered blanket. Between them is a wooden dresser with a mirror, a vase of pink flowers, a lamp, and some books. A speech bubble from the woman on the left says, "IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE... NORMAL... FUN...".

IT WAS  
SUPPOSED TO BE...  
NORMAL... FUN...





≡ SIGH ≡









DAMN IT.



A 3D rendered image of a muscular blonde woman with her hair in a bun, wearing a white ribbed tube top. She is in an office environment with a bulletin board and desk in the background. A speech bubble is positioned near her head.

LOOK, YOU...  
AREN'T WRONG.



BUT WHATEVER IT  
IS CELESTE DID DO TO US,  
THIS IS WHAT IT'S GOING TO  
BE LIKE NOW.





I GUESS I TOOK BEING  
NORMAL FOR GRANTED.  
THERE'S NO MORE OF THAT  
FOR EITHER OF US.


SO...





WHAT NOW?



A muscular blonde woman with her hair in a high ponytail is shown from the waist up, holding a white ribbed bra. She is looking down at the bra with a slight smirk. She is wearing light blue shorts. The background is a bedroom with a bed, a lamp, and a window with blinds.

WELL, FOR ONE,  
MAYBE WE TRY AND DO A  
SHOPPING TRIP TOMORROW? I  
BET KIARA ONLY HAS SO MANY  
HAND-ME-DOWNS.





I THINK THIS  
WAS THE BIGGEST  
THING SHE-





HAD...













AGAIN?







A digital illustration of a highly muscular woman with long, wavy brown hair, sitting on a blue exercise mat in a gym. She is wearing a white sports bra and green shorts. Her physique is extremely toned, with prominent muscles in her chest, arms, and legs. She is looking upwards with a surprised or intense expression. A speech bubble above her head contains the text "THIS SHIT'S REALLY SPEEDING UP!". In the background, there are blurred figures of other people in the gym, and a pair of glasses lies on the mat to her left.

THIS SHIT'S  
REALLY SPEEDING  
UP!





















HOLY SHIT!











OH...





TO BE CONTINUED