

AN ARCTIC DISCOVERY

The polar night is icy and quiet. There are no signs of one of the most sensational scientific discoveries of the century lying only a few metres under the snow-covered surface.

The existence of precious energy crystals under the arctic ice has been kept top secret so far.

A team of specialists are analysing the first samples on behalf of the World Scientific Council.



Suddenly...

BRRRRRRMMM...







Through the radio, they quickly inform the scientist headquarters.



We've lost sight of the quad.

That's enough!

The report from his team really concerns the project leader, Professor Jorgensen.



It's bad enough that someone is roaming around the unauthorised area...

...but it also has to be a thoughtless troublemaker!



I'd be glad if it were just a rude adventurer and not anything worse...



I'm worried about the secret status of our mission!

That has to be the scientist's nest, boss.



Well, let's see if the rumour of these legendary energy crystals is true.



Inside the laboratory, the scientists have no idea they are secretly being watched.



The professor has just finished the examination of the first crystals that you have brought back from drilling. The results are...

AMAZING!

As soon as the ice melts and the crystals mix with oxygen, their full energy potential is set free...



...and the charge is even more powerful than we thought!



I see you have more important things to do in the laboratory at the moment...

We will hold the fort here until the polar bears are safe, and then we will meet Yutu, the Inuit scout.



He has found another crystal. According to his energy detector, there have been even more of these miracle stones hidden under the ice.



Hey, Paul...

...I think we can finish here. The polar bears are leaving!



Well, let's go then.





Goodbye,
you two.

Krrrk...Pat
and Paul, please
copy!

Hey, a
radio call!

Pia Nordqvist here!
Is everything okay with you
two? Where are you? Yutu
has already been waiting for
two hours. I just spoke to
him...



We were, er
- held up...

Better keep your
eyes open before
a disaster happens!



But we are on
our way now and
we'll be there
soon.

By the way: a road
hog on an ice quad is
around.



Right! Haha!
We are not really
used to traffic
around here.

But...
Huh?

VRRRRRRMMMM...



Engine noise?
Quickly, run for cover!

VRRRRROOOOOAARRR



Here I am making jokes and there goes the mystery rider!

Yuppeee-ha haha!



But... Hey! He's driving directly to the laboratory! This definitely means mischief!

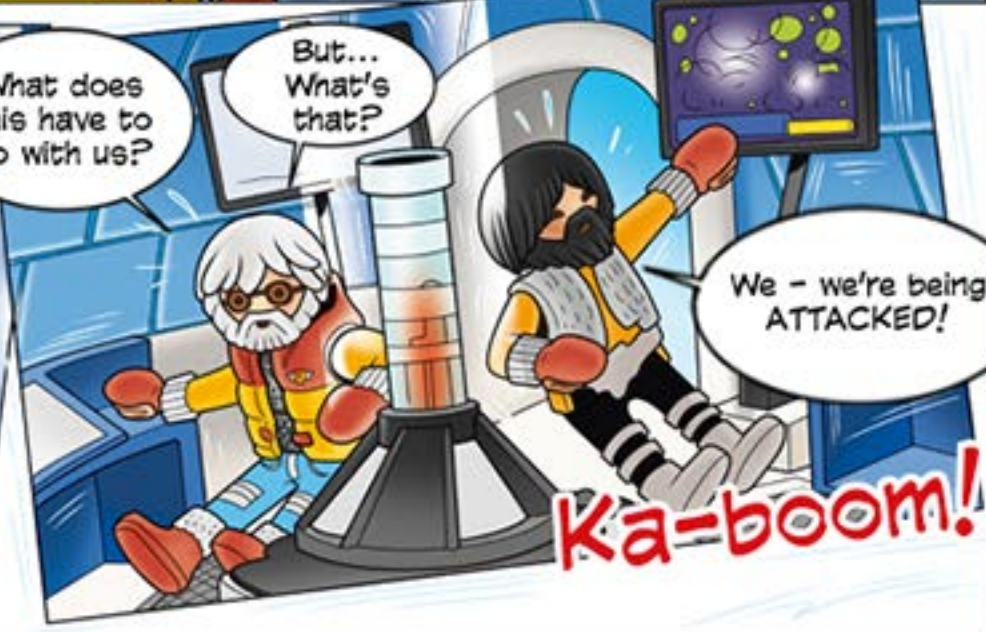


Headquarters? You'll have visitors soon. The troublemaker seems to be heading towards you. It seems that he's up to no good.

Is it not possible to work in peace here for one minute?



We are really close to making the most ground-breaking discovery in the history of the energy sector and all you are talking about are some road hogs.



What does this have to do with us?

But... What's that?

We - we're being ATTACKED!

Ka-boom!

An attack? This is ridiculous!
This is not a military base.



So the guys out
there are just here by
coincidence?!



And, by the way,
nobody knows that
we are even here...



Aahh...?!

Pia, be careful!
We're being attacked
from the north-west. If
you are on your way
over...

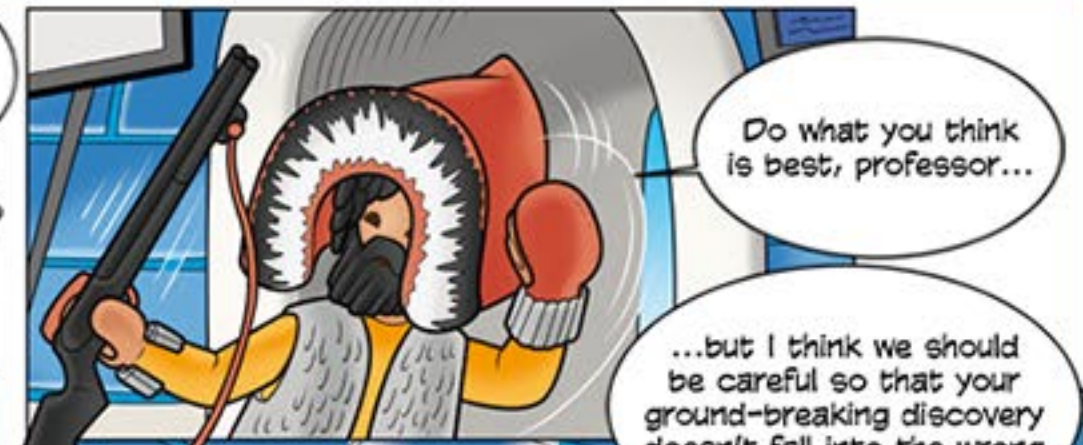


Best not to
come here!

Understood!
I will come from the
other side and take
a look at the
situation.



BA-DOOMMM!



Do what you think
is best, professor...

...but I think we should
be careful so that your
ground-breaking discovery
doesn't fall into the wrong
hands!



Meanwhile, elsewhere...

There you are!

Hello, Yutu!

The crystals are just a few centimetres below the surface here. I've already got some out of the ground that I'll bring to the headquarters now...

If the professor is right and the crystals really have that much energy, we have to come back later with more heavy drilling tools.

If that's the case...

But according to my detector, a great treasure is hidden underneath there!

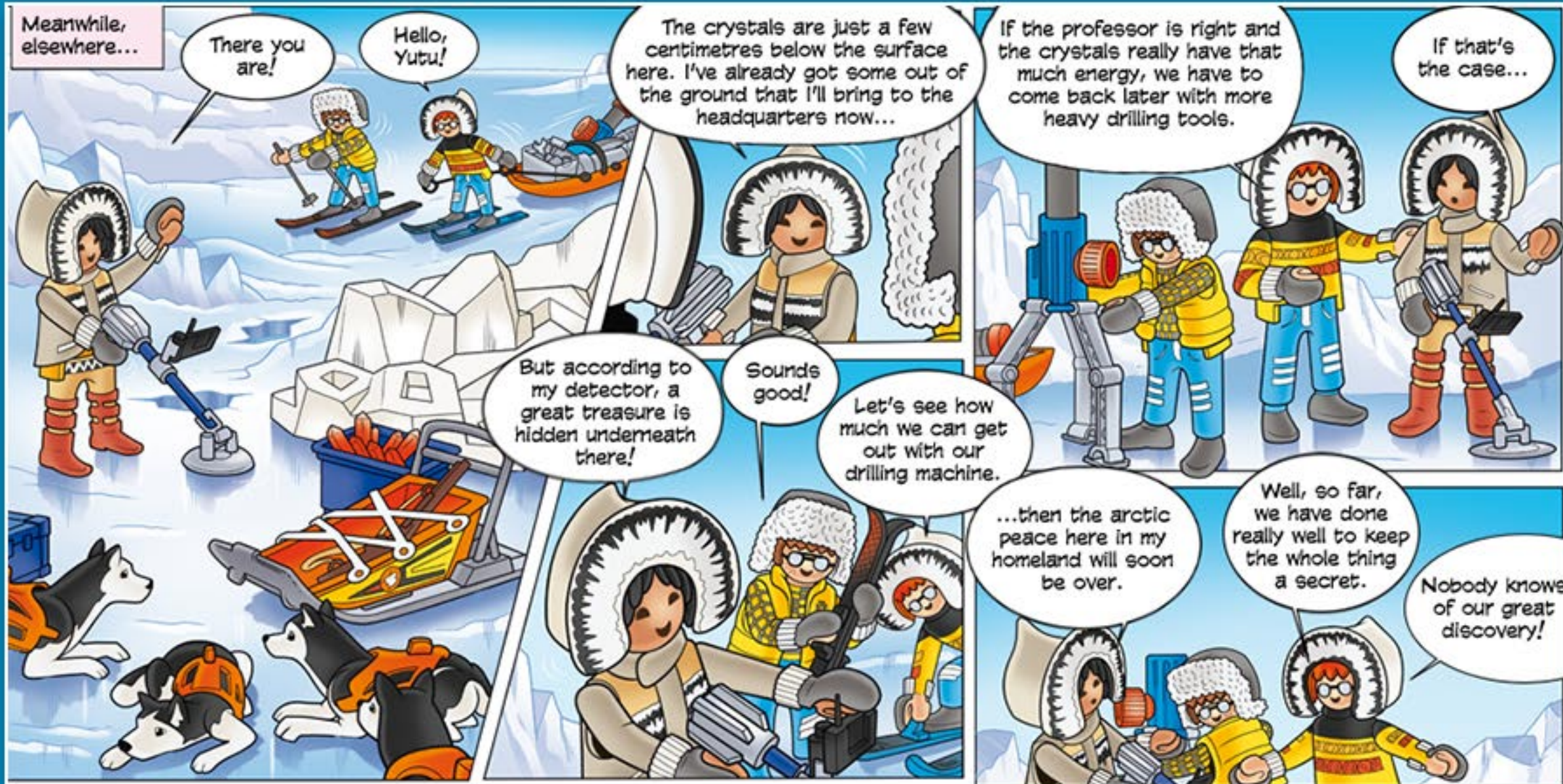
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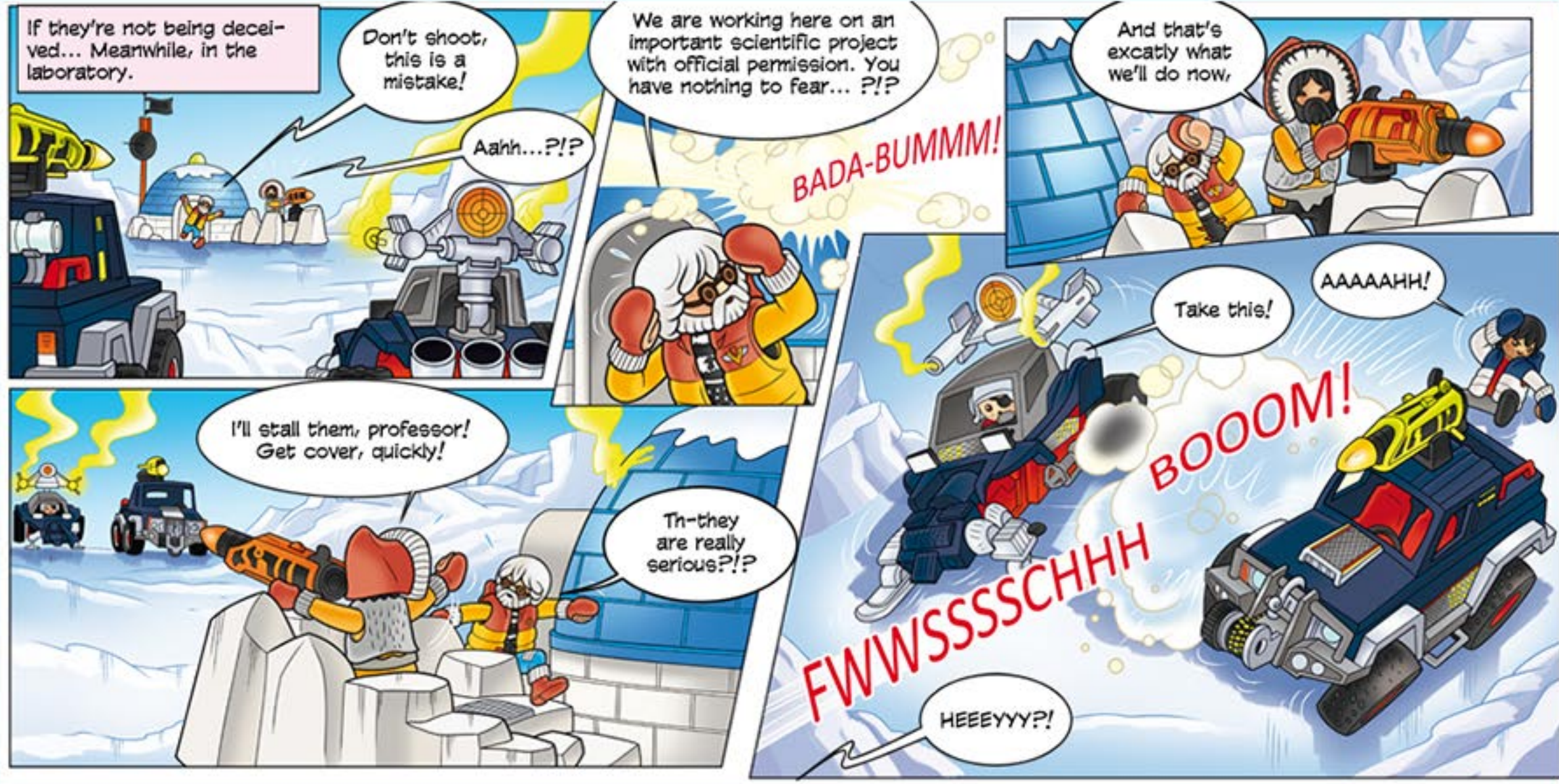
Let's see how much we can get out with our drilling machine.

...then the arctic peace here in my homeland will soon be over.

Well, so far, we have done really well to keep the whole thing a secret.

Nobody knows of our great discovery!





If they're not being deceived... Meanwhile, in the laboratory.

Don't shoot, this is a mistake!

We are working here on an important scientific project with official permission. You have nothing to fear...?!?

Aahh...?!?

And that's exactly what we'll do now,

BADA-BUMMMM!

I'll stall them, professor! Get cover, quickly!

Th-they are really serious?!?

Take this!

AAAAAHH!

FWWSSSSCHHH
BOOOM!

HEEEYYY?!?



While his pals are distracting the scientists with their attack, their boss is secretly digging his way into the laboratory.

FWLAM!

FFFFWSSSSCHHHH...

BOOOM!

KABOOM!

FFFFWSSSSSCHHH!

FWOMMM!

BOOOM!

I'll be inside soon, harr-harr!

Then your precious secret will be out!

But Mad Moe hasn't gone unnoticed...

Hehe!

Look, look! Your criminals won't get away with it!

Yutu, our scout, must be close.

Hello, Yutu, do you copy? This is an emergency!

BOOOM!

Quickly, the two have made a plan and, only a few minutes later, the eskimo arrives.





While his pals are left behind, the crazy Rowdy Pete tries to escape...

Harr-harr!
You won't get me!

But he doesn't know about the clever plans of Yutu.

SWUSCHHHH!

Huh?!?

TSHKK!

Oh no!

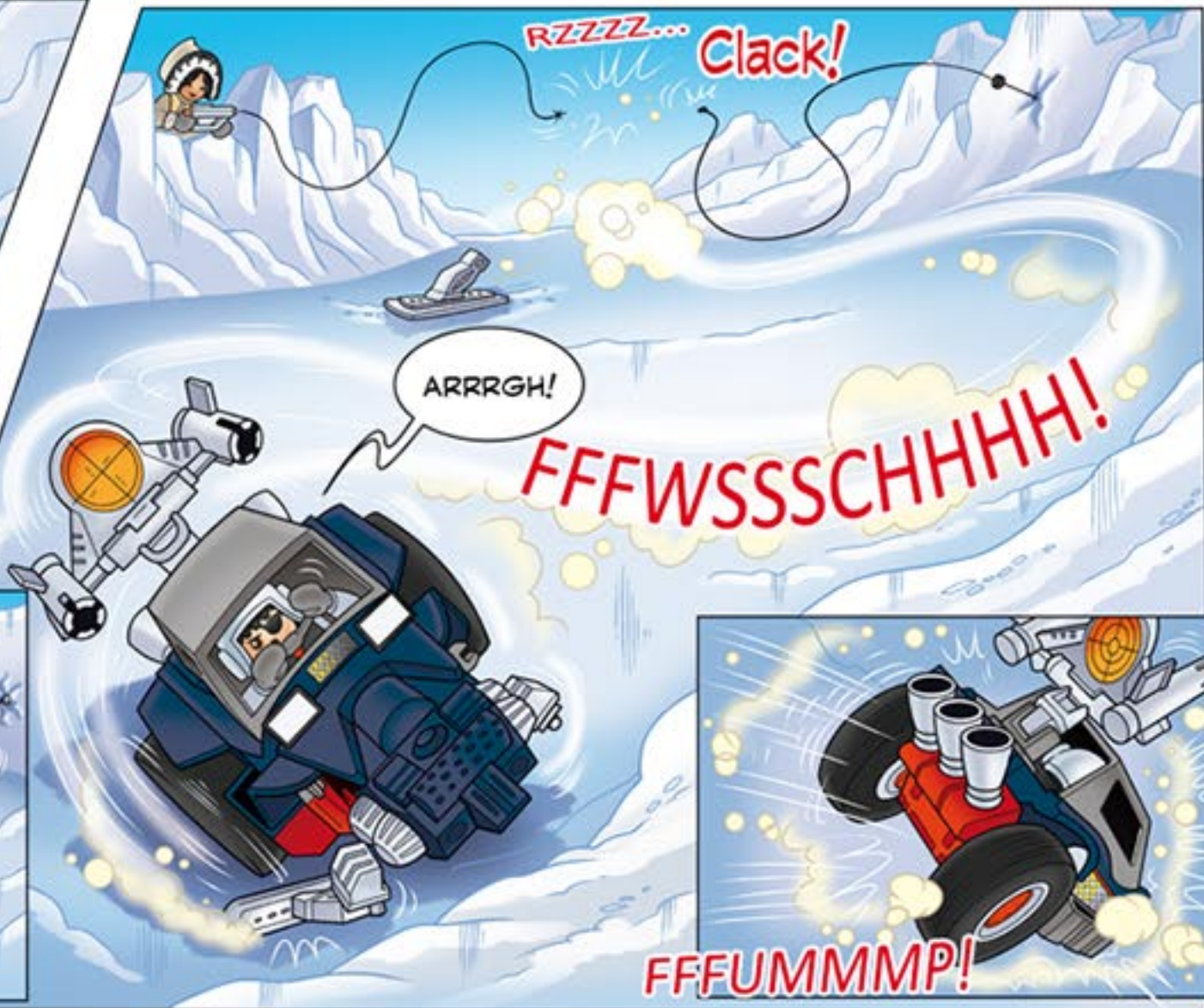
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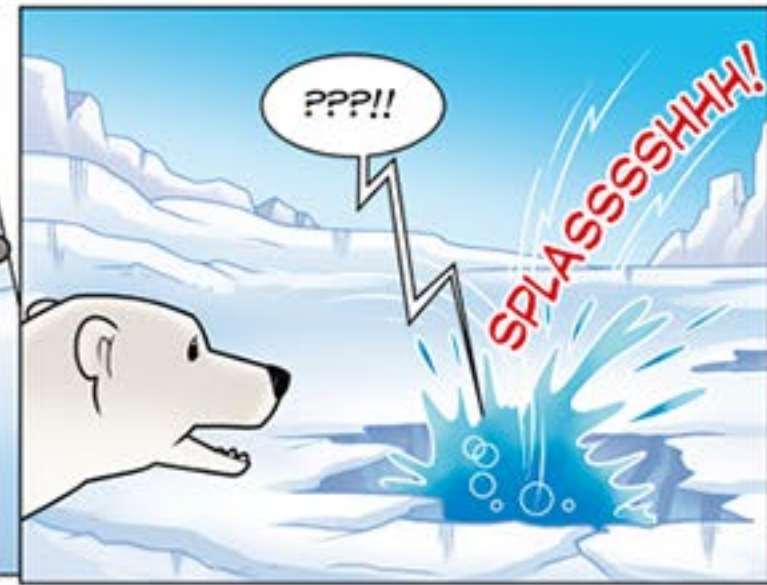
RZZZZ...
Clack!

ARRRGH!

FFFWSSSCHHHH!

FFFUMMMP!







Is it bathing season already?

Hey! You're right on time!

Ge-get me out of here... pl-please!

You already know how to do that.

Heave-ho!

And if the ice bath has cooled down your temper too much, we can ask the polar bear mother to warm you up!

Hehehe!

GRRRRRMBLL!



You have just missed the party... but you can rescue someone out of the ice again.

Hehe!

Hmmpf!

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