





Issue #3:  
Shadows  
Awaken





The issue opens in a college classroom where Maya, Kai, and Lin are deep in planning mode for the upcoming speed dating event. The three expressed to each other that they have been waking up in different body forms of themselves. They also talked about Posters, flyers, and event details along with potential mentor candidates ...

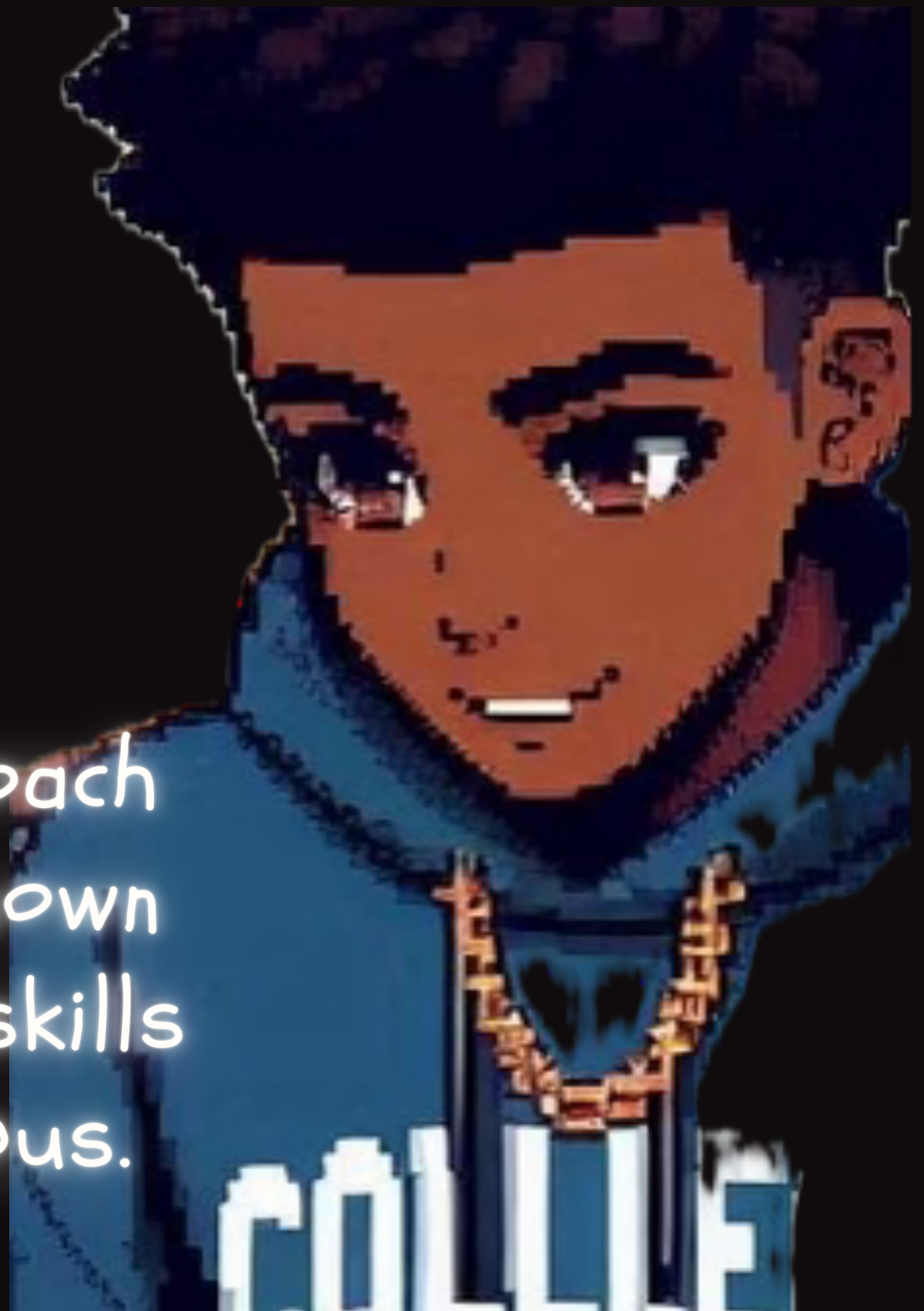






Maya: Guys, we need to find upperclassmen mentors to help us with the speed dating event. Any suggestions?

Kai: How about we approach Professor Lyra? She's known for her event organizing skills and connections on campus.



Lin: Good idea, Kai. Let's also see if we can get someone from the drama club for some creative input.



Unbeknownst to them, a mysterious figure shrouded in darkness watches from the shadows of the classroom.



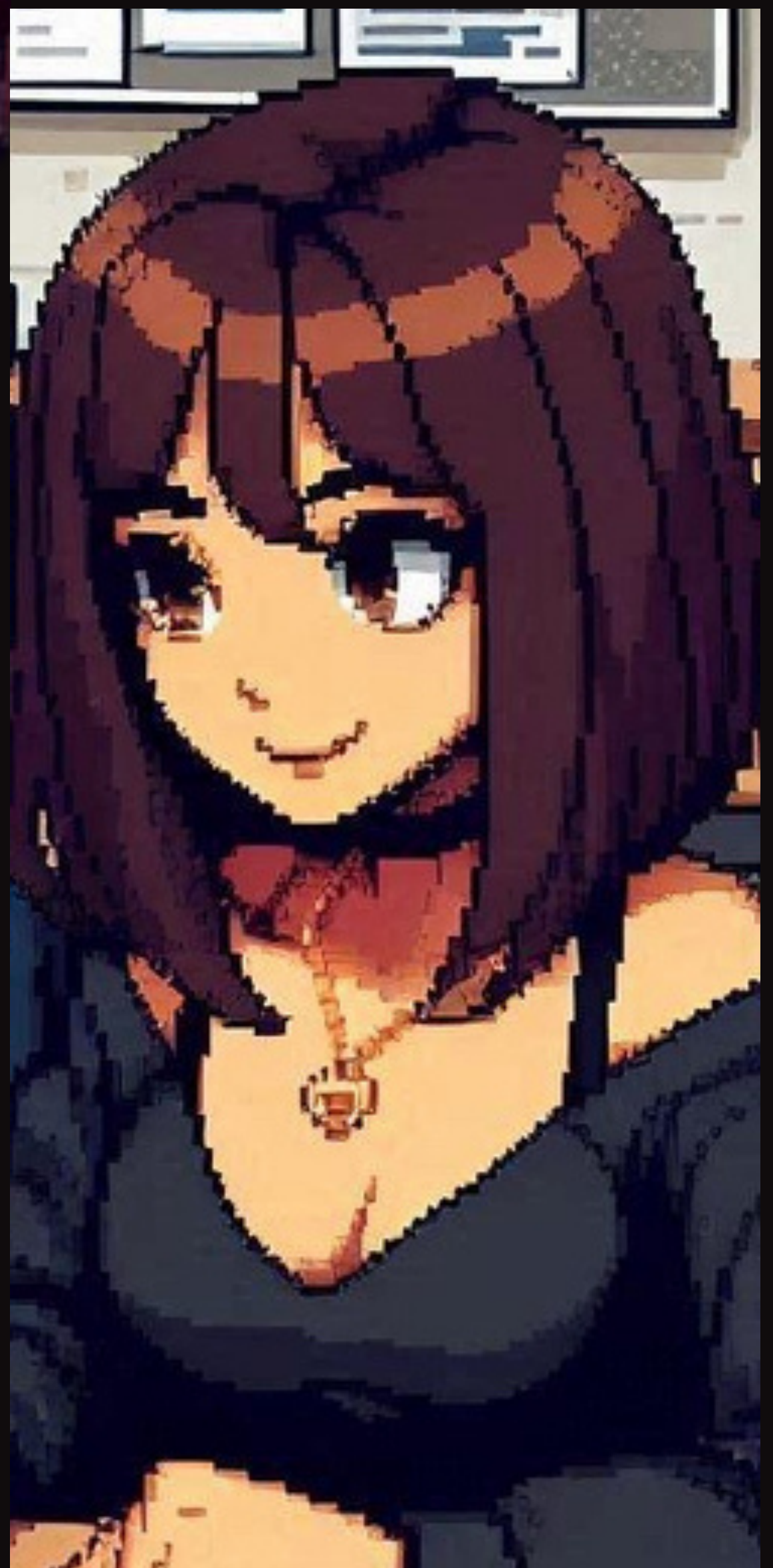
Shadow Spirit: Waking up in different bodies huh? I must let umbra know at once....they will not awaken the cosmic DNA!





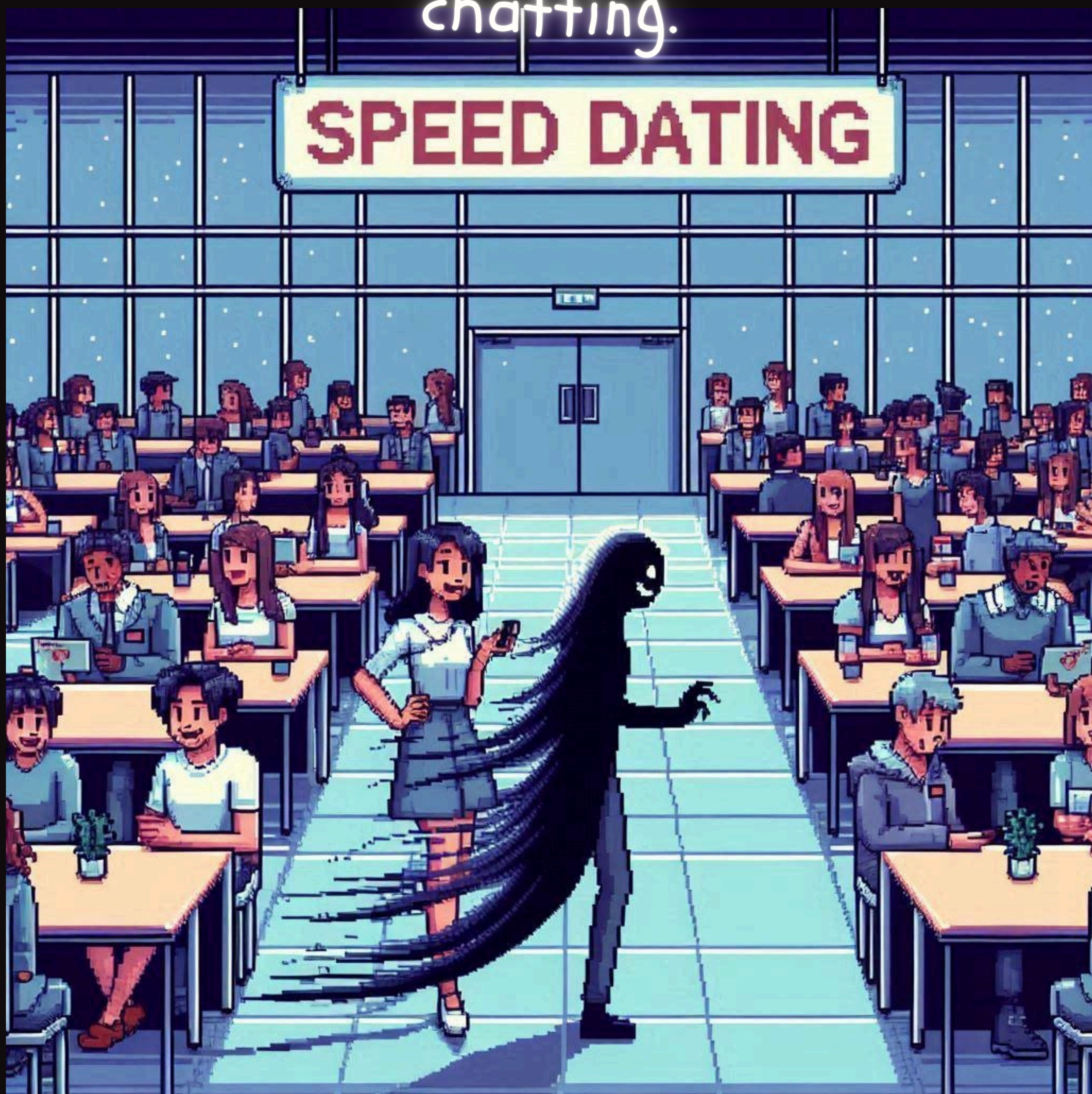
Maya: I'll speak  
to Professor  
Lyra after class.  
Lin, can you  
reach out to the  
drama club  
members?

Lin: Of  
course,  
Maya. I'll  
get on it  
right  
away.





As the speed dating event commences in the university center, the energy is lit with students mingling and chatting.




Their high school friend, Sarah, is excitedly participating in the event when suddenly, a shadow spirit emerges and snatches her away into the darkness.

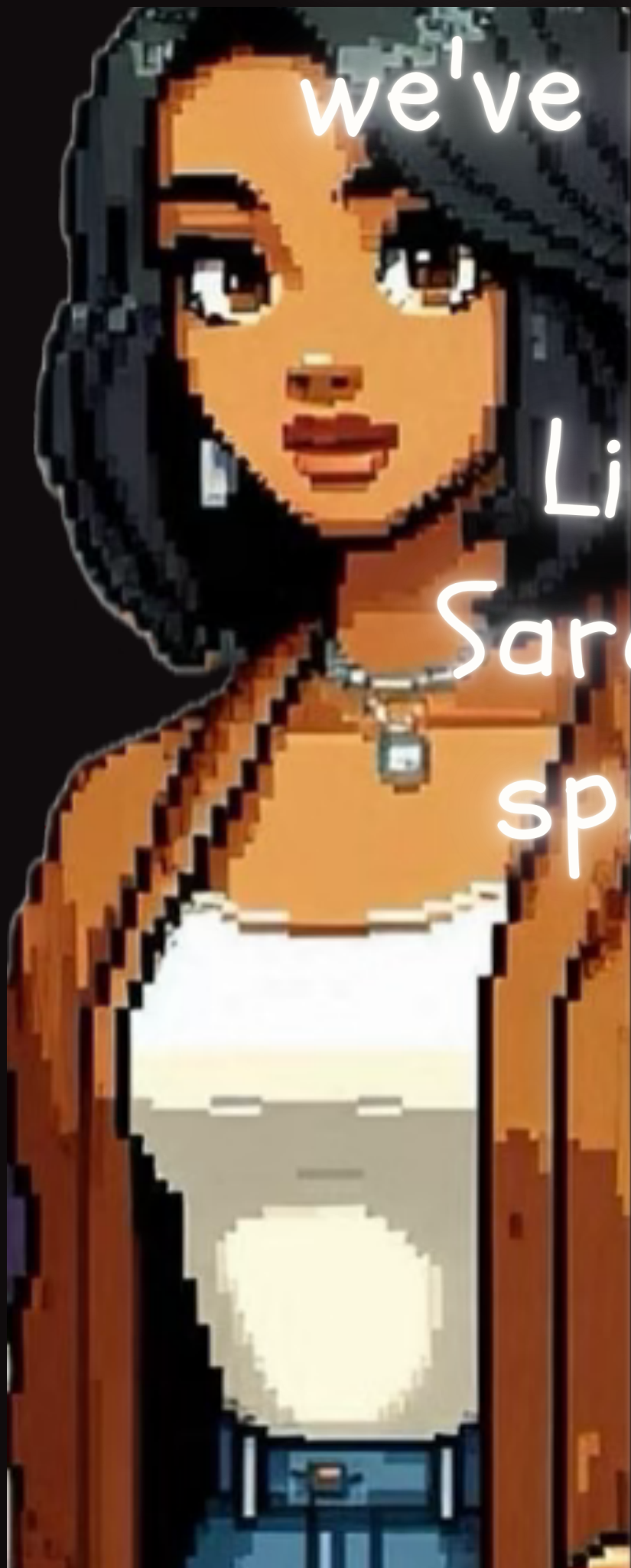


A pixel art illustration of a young man with dark skin and short black hair, wearing a red and white jacket over a grey shirt and blue jeans. He is looking to the right with a concerned expression. In the background, a woman with long brown hair in a pink shirt is partially visible.

Kai: Sarah! Where did she go?

A pixel art illustration of a young woman with dark skin and voluminous black curly hair. She is wearing a purple jacket over a white shirt and blue jeans. She is holding a black smartphone in her right hand and has her left hand near her face in a thoughtful pose.

Maya: That shadow spirit... It's one of those cosmic beings from the shadows we've heard about.

A pixel art illustration of a young woman with dark skin and long black hair. She is wearing a white tank top under a brown jacket and blue jeans. She is looking directly at the viewer with a slight smile.

Lin: We have to find Sarah and that shadow spirit before it's too late.





The trio embarks on a quest to rescue Sarah and confront the shadow spirit. As they delve deeper into the shadows, their cosmic energy cloaked them in the bodies of their younger selves to keep them innocent in the shadows.



Suddenly, they then come face to face with shadow spirits of children who appear to be missing children from campus, shouting in unison.....

Shadow Spirit: I am Umbra, a cosmic spirit dwelling in the shadows. I offer you my guidance and power, but only if you can prove yourselves worthy.







Maya: We accept your challenge, Umbra. Release Sarah and renounce the darkness that binds you.



Kai: Together, Maya, Lin, we can do this!



Lin: Let's merge our powers and show Umbra the strength of our unity!



Together: Descendants of the cosmos, awaken





In a dazzling display of cosmic energy, the trio combines their powers, awakening their cosmic DNA in different forms throughout their cosmic lifetimes..... overwhelming Umbra and sending it hurtling towards the light force, where it dissipates in a burst of light





The victory is met with a sense of relief and newfound confidence, but their triumph is short-lived as they sense the lingering presence of other shadows in the darkness, foretelling of greater challenges ahead.



Maya: Our powers are stronger when we work together. But the shadows are still out there, waiting for their chance to strike again.

Lin: The descendants of the cosmos must rise against the shadows and protect the light force at all costs.

Kai: We must stay vigilant and continue to hone our powers. Our journey is far from over.

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