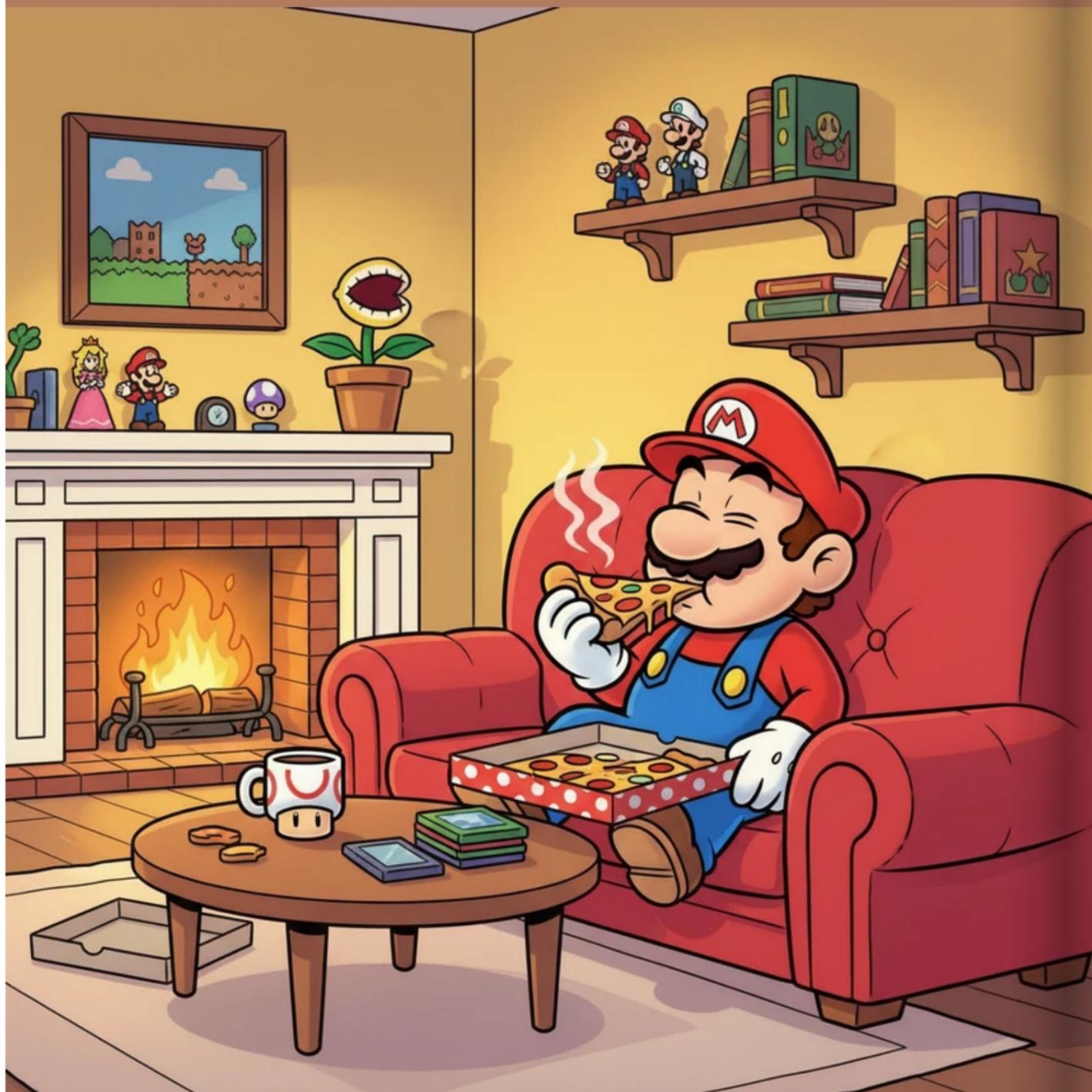




Mario and the Fourth Wall Fiasco

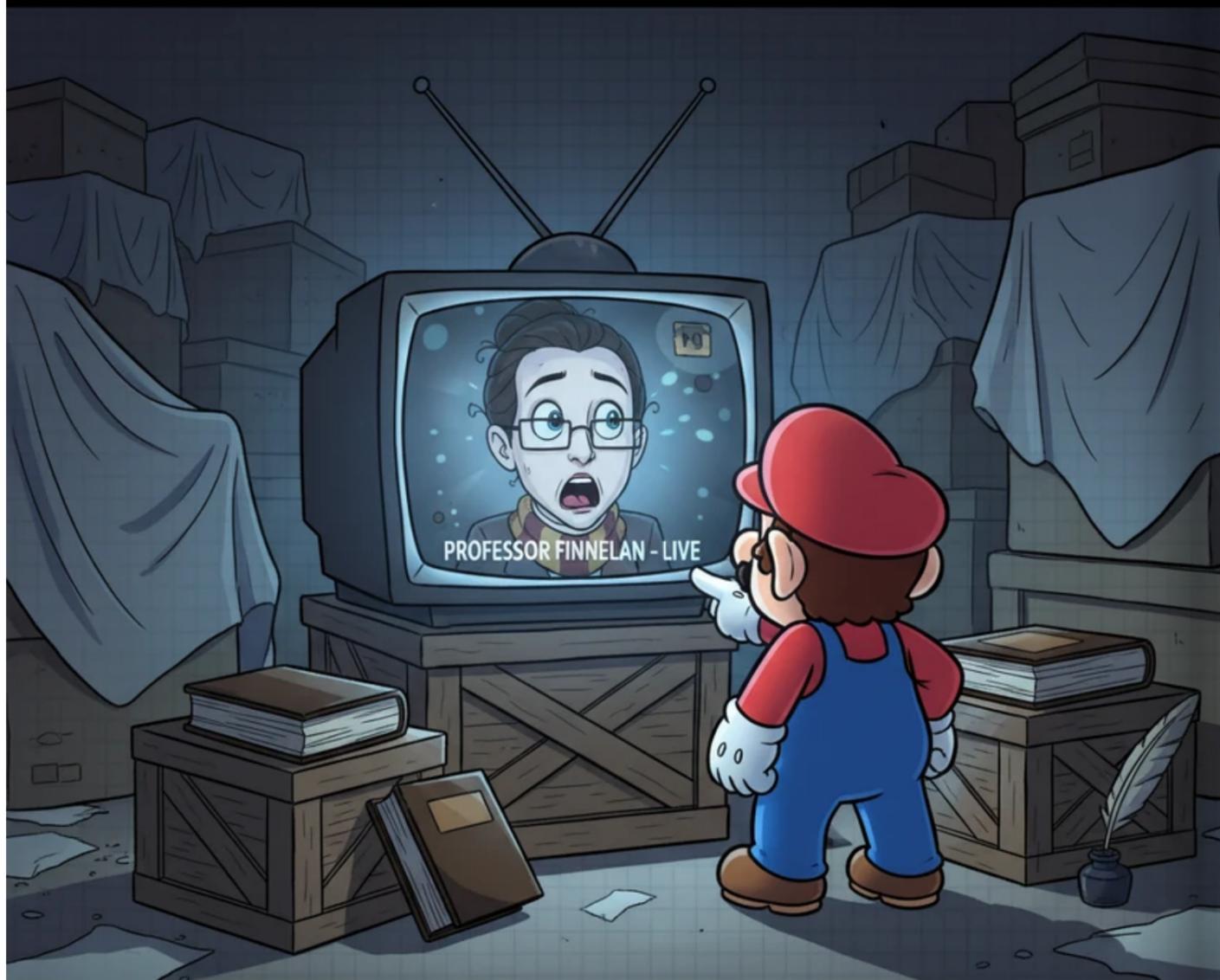
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Mario sits comfortably on his plush red couch, snacking on popcorn while watching an episode of a magical academy show on his large television. On the screen, the stern Professor Anne Finnelan is lecturing three young students named Akko, Lotte, and Sucy for causing chaos with a fire alarm.



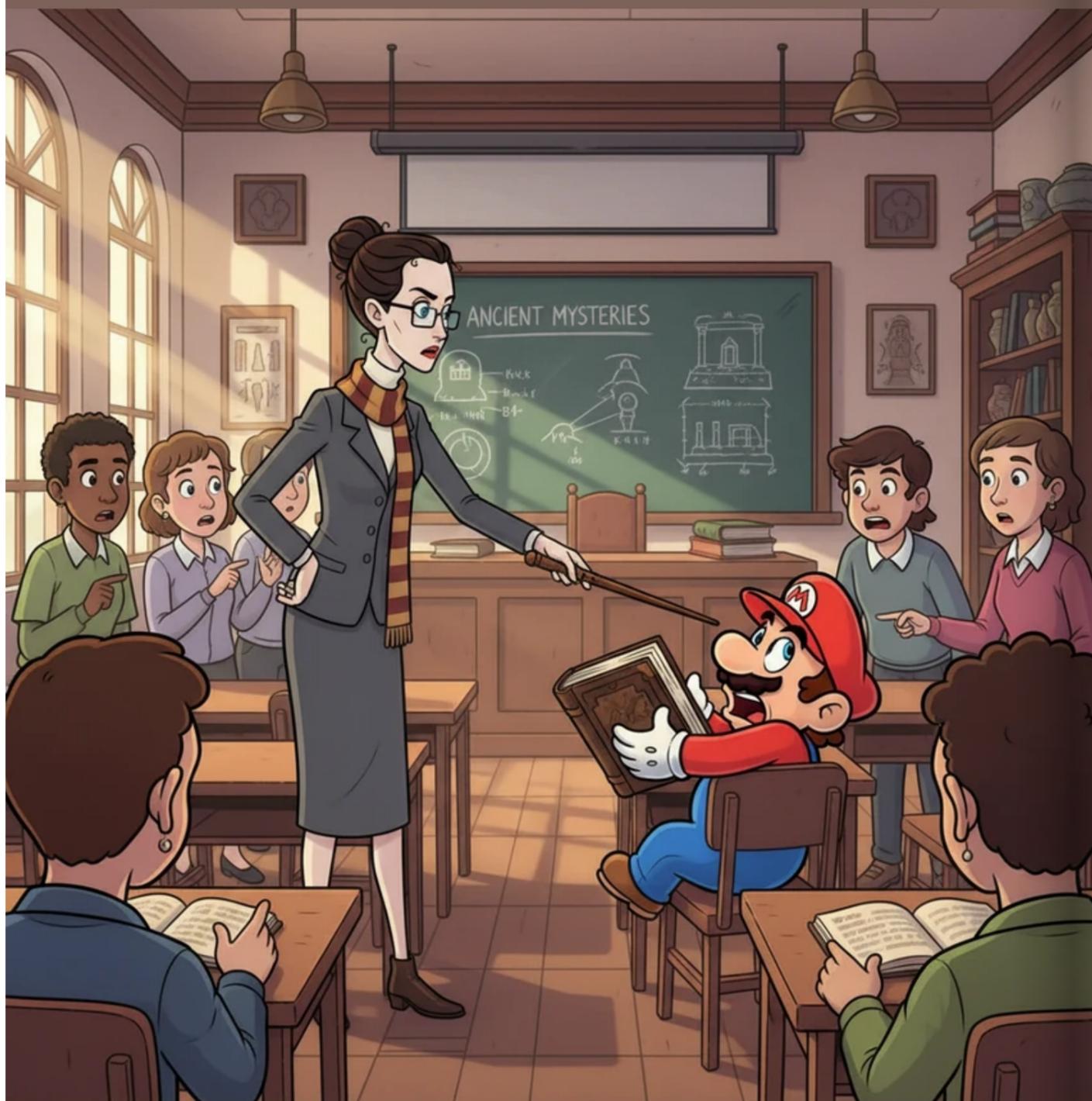
As the professor begins a long-winded speech about the gravity of their crimes, Mario loses his patience with her strict attitude. He stands up, points at the screen, and shouts, "Shut up, you b****ch!" right as she is about to ground the girls.



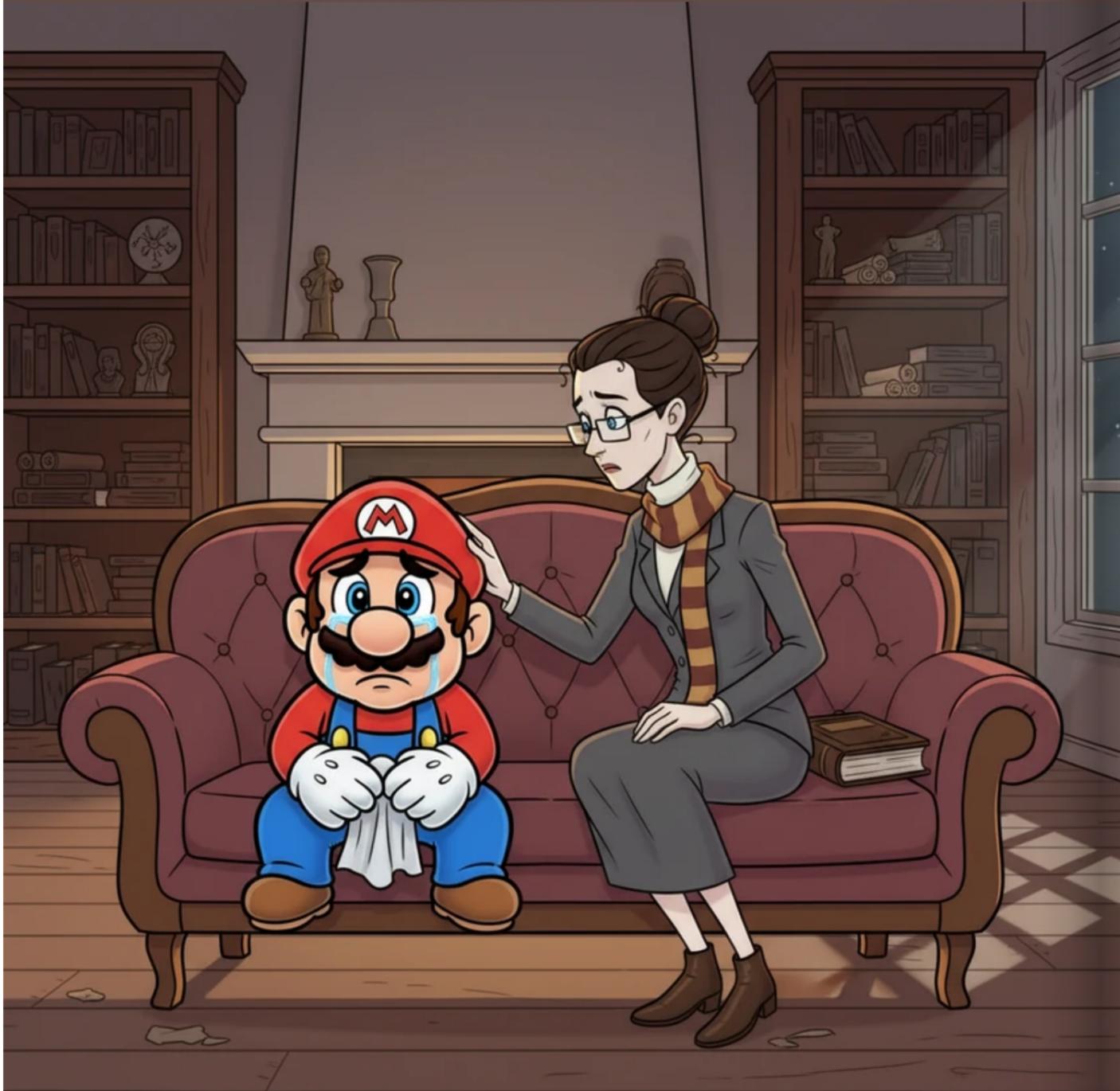
The television screen suddenly flickers, and Professor Finnellan stops speaking mid-sentence, her eyes narrowing with a sharp, piercing intensity. In the background of the show, other students like Hannah and Barbara begin to whisper nervously, sensing a shift in the magical atmosphere.



The professor leans forward until her face fills the entire TV screen, her voice dropping to a terrifyingly low growl as she asks, "WHO. SAID. THAT!!!!?" Mario freezes in his tracks, his heart racing as the animated character seems to look directly into his living room.



With a bony finger pointed straight at the glass, the professor says with cold precision, "You." Mario looks around the room frantically, hoping she is talking to someone else, but she quickly follows up with, "Yes. You."



Mario trembles as the professor continues to describe him, stating clearly that she is talking to the man currently sitting on the couch. The boundary between the animated world and the real world begins to ripple like water as she glares with unbridled fury.



The TV screen goes dark for a moment before a thunderous knocking sound echoes from Mario's front door, shaking the pictures on his walls. Terrified, Mario ducks behind his sofa and whispers, "Uh... Nobody's home?" in a desperate attempt to stay hidden.



Suddenly, the front door is kicked open with a burst of magical energy, splintering the wood as Professor Finnelan marches into the house. She is shaking with rage, her face flushed red as she prepares to unleash a verbal storm upon the stunned plumber.



The professor begins an aggressive, tearful rant, explaining the immense responsibility of keeping students safe and why the girls' actions were so dangerous. Just as her shouting reaches its peak, the local police arrive at the house, drawn by the noise of the breaking door and the heated argument.



The officers quickly step in and arrest the professor, mistaking her intense disciplinary lecture for public disturbance and aggression. As she is escorted away in handcuffs, she turns back to Mario and shouts one final censored insult, leaving him alone in his quiet, broken living room.