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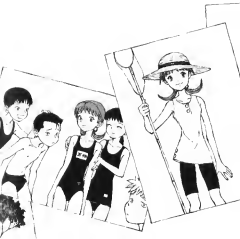


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THE LAST DAYS OF SUMMER

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HOSHIMARU.



YOU STAY HERE.

DON'T FOLLOW ME.



















I STILL DON'T SEE WHY I HAVE TO DO THIS.



COME ON, YOU USED TO LOVE HANGING OUT IN SHOPS LIKE THIS.



FORGET ABOUT MY PAST. I HAVE.



WELL, I CAN'T.

BOY, YOU WERE SUCH A SWEETHEART BACK THEN! ♡



HOW ABOUT I GIVE YOU A PICTURE OF ME FROM THOSE DAYS?

THEN YOU CAN JERK OFF TO IT AND HANGE YOU'LL LEAVE ME ALONE FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE. I'D LIKE THAT.



I MEANT YOUR PERSONALITY.



OH, SO SORRY.



I'M AFRAID THERE ISN'T ANY OF THAT LEFT. IT SIMPLY COULDN'T BE PRESERVED.



DIDN'T KNOW
HEM. DID SHE?
NOTHING GAINED.

A COMPLETE
WASTE
OF TIME.

WELL,
FOOTWORK'S
STILL THE
FOUNDATION
OF
INTELLIGENCE
GATHERING.



WTF
THAT
GIRL?
...SHE'S
ALREADY??



BUT IT'S RED
AND BLACK?
THE RARE AND
ENDANGERED
"RED AND BLACK
PANDA"...?

SHE'S
SHE'LL
HEAR--
!!



PANDA
ACADEMY?!!
OH
WTF
WTF





**S
M
A
K**







SORRY, MISS.



I'M REALLY SORRY, HONESTLY.



WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING? THEY'RE JUST A COUPLE OF KIDS!



GO? THAT TYPE DISGUSTS ME.

GO STUPID—NOT A THOUGHT IN THEIR HEADS.



THEY'LL JUST GROW UP, GET MARRIED, AND START PUMPING OUT LITTLE BRATS.

NEVER THINKING ABOUT THE CONSEQUENCES... JUST mindLESSLY REPRODUCING.



COMPLETELY OBVIOUS TO ANY THOUGHT OF GOOD OR EVIL... SINKING INTO THAT FALSE HAPPINESS...

I HATE THAT SORT OF... THING!

COME ON—
YOU CAN'T
JUDGE THAT
JUST BY
HER
LOOKS!

ANYWAY...
LET'S
GO.



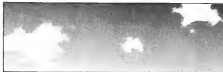
I'M
SORRY,
SHINA.

本木了平

REALLY....

...YOU
HAD EVERY
RIGHT TO HIT
THAT GIRL
BACK.









WOW,
SHINA!

I'M
REALLY
RAD AT
COOKING...

BUT AT
LEAST
YOU'RE
SMART,
HIRO!

IT'S
DELICIOUS!



YOU
ARE,
TOO...
WHEN YOU
WANT
TO BE
SHINA.

HEH
HEH...
NOT
ME!



YOU'LL
MAKE A
GREAT
MOTHER,
SHINA.

FOR
SURE!



NO,
I
HOW?.





'CAUSE...

...I
ALREADY
DECIDED.



I
WON'T
GET
MARRIED...

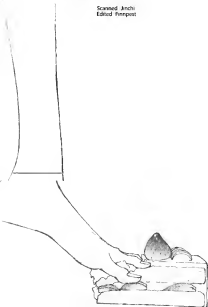


...AND
I'LL
NEVER
HAVE
CHILDREN.

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HEY... YOU GUYS KNOW PROFESSOR TAMAI?

I...
WELL... DON'T YOU
THINK SHE'S A
LOOKER?



THAT
WRITING
PHYSICS
PROFT

YEAR,
BUT SHE'S
OVER
FORTY,
MAN.



NO
WAY!
BULL!

'S
TRUE,
MAN.



HUH,
MAYBE, BUT
HE'S RIGHT...
SHE IS A
BAGE!

GEEZ,
SHE'S OLD
ENOUGH
TO BE
YOUR MUM!

SHE'S
EVEN
GOT A
DASH-
TER.



HOW COME YOU KNOW SO MUCH ABOUT HER...?

WELL, Y'KNOW...
HA HA.



WONDER IF THE KID'S A BARE. TOOP
HOW OLD IS SHE?



ELEVEN...
MAYBE TWELVE.

AW, MAN...
SHE'S THAT YOUNG?



CRAP,
SO MUCH FOR THAT IDEA.



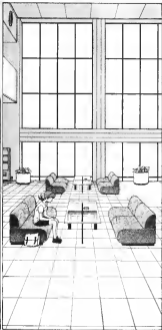
...



I'M WILLING TO WAIT.
IF SHE TALKS,
WE'LL ASK HER TO
GET HELP.

LOSER!!















HOW'S YOUR FATHER?

THE COMPANY'S HAVING SOME TROUBLE, ISN'T IT?



YOU LOOK MISERABLY SORRY, EVEN FOR A GUY YOUR AGE.

I'LL BET YOU HAVEN'T BEEN EATING ENOUGH.



IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU STARTED TO FILL OUT A BIT, YOU KNOW.



SO WHAT ARE YOU EATING? TAKE-OUT FOOD, PROBABLY.

YOUR FATHER'S TERRIBLE ABOUT THINGS LIKE THAT, YOU MUST POINT IT OUT TO HIM.



UM...

SO,

LET'S
SEE
IT.



THE
FIRST
SEMES-
TER...



STILL
USING THIS
HYPOCRITICAL
GRADING
SYSTEM,
ARE THEY?

"TRY
HARDER."
"JUST
A BIT
MORE..."
"SUCCESS!"

LOOK AT THIS... ONE
AFTER ANOTHER...
"TRY HARDER,"
AS IF WE DON'T
KNOW WHAT
THEY REALLY
MEAN!





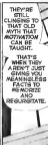
IT'S BETTER TO JUST TELL STUDENTS WHO CAN'T MAKE IT THAT THEY CAN'T.

THOSE WHO CAN TRY HARDER, WILL. THOSE WHO CAN'T, WON'T.



DO THEY THINK EVERYBODY CAN "TRY HARDER" ...?

TRYING HARD IS A SKILL, TOO.



THEY'RE STILL CLINGING TO THAT OLD MYTH THAT MOTIVATION CAN BE TAUGHT.

THAT'S WHEN THEY AREN'T JUST GIVING YOU MEANINGLESS FACTS TO MEMORIZE AND REGURGITATE.



GOODNESS... YOU REALLY MAKE IT CLEAR, DON'T YOU?

STRIKING OUT IN EVERYTHING EXCEPT P.E. AND HOME ECONOMICS.



WITH YOUR GENES, THERE'S REALLY NO EXCUSE.

EVEN YOUR FATHER WAS ACTUALLY QUITE SMART, ALTHOUGH HE MIGHT NOT LOOK LIKE IT.



SO...
YOU STILL
WRITE YOUR
NAME
PHONETICALLY,
HMM?
"シイナ"



WHY? IT'S
CHILDISH,
OR... DON'T
YOU WANT
PEOPLE TO
KNOW WHAT IT
MEANS WHEN
THEY READ THE
CHARACTER?



“糞”

...“AN
IMMATURE
BAR OF
WHEAT.”
OR...
“AN EMPTY
MUCK.”



AHH,
MY SWEET
SHINA!



♪
HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
TO
YOUUU!
♪

WOW...
THEY'VE
ALREADY!
AND
ALREADY
SUCH
A...



...BEAUTIFUL
GIRL.

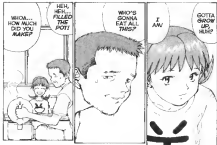


OKAY!
LET'S
EAT!

I
STOPPED
BY KANOHYA
AND GOT
EVERYTHING
YOU
LIKE!
DOUBLE
PORTIONS,
TOO!

AND
I MADE
LOTS OF
RICE!
REALLY
...?







GAMES ANGELS PLAY

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"NO WAY!"

"THE SUKHOI SU-27?? THAT'S ONE OF THE WORLD'S HOTTEST FIGHTERS!"



ARE YOU SERIOUS?

LOOKS LIKE IT. APPROVAL CAME IN TODAY ON THE IMPORT LICENSE, SO THE BOSS AIMS TO BUY A COUPLE.

The First Sale Since 1991.



CALM
DOWN,
SON!
HJ, 08



HOW ABOUT YOU, ONOP? WHY'D YOU QUIT?

I JUST COULDN'T TAKE THAT CHAIN OF COMMAND BULLSHIT.

BUT, MAN... I LOVE FLYING FIGHTERS. IF MOTOGU HADN'T BEEN AN OPTION, I'D HAVE RE-UPPED.

I ONE YOU, MISTER TAMAL.

THE PREZ, YOU MEAN.

SO... WHY'D YOU JOIN THE SDF?

"I GREW UP ON AN ISLAND, WAY OFF THE COAST. NO AIRFIELD, NOTHING.

"SO WHEN SOMEONE GOT SICK OR HURT, IT WAS A BIG DEAL.



"THAT'S
IT, I
THOUGHT.

"I
FIGURED
A PILOT
COULD
HELP MY
HOMETOWN."





AWP!

OH,
MAN!!



IF
THE PREZ
CAUGHT
YOU
LEAVING
A
CONTRAIL...

...YOU'D
BE YANKED
OFF
ASDF WORK
LIKE THAT.
BYE-BYE
FLANKER!



GEEZ,
I'M
SORRY.

WHAT
DIFFER
AHEAD





FWHT

WHSSH

WHSSH



FWAP















"WHAT
THE
HELL
...?"



"!!
AN
HOT
MERCURY!"

**ONO!
DISENGAGE!!**

**BREAK
RIGHT AND
DIVE!! FULL
AFTER-
BURNER!**







OH!
IT'S
AHEAD
OF US!

WHAT?!
NO
WAY!

TAKE
YOUR
ESCAPE
WINDOW
NOW!



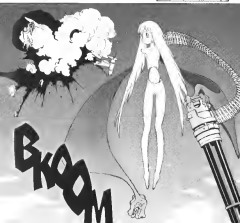
YOKOTA
CONTROL!
THIS IS
AWS-C
SQUAD
KING
NINE
ZERO
FIVE!



UNDER
ATTACK BY
UNIDENTIFIED
BANDY,
REQUESTING
BACKUP
FROM
EAGLE
FLIGHT!









THE AIR AROUND ME... IT'S HOT BURNING!



"NO TIME
FOR A HELMET
FIRE, YAHAY!
FLAT SPIN
RECOVERY, THEN
RESTART!"





FWOOSH



DAWN!
DND!!
WHERE'S
YOUR
CHUTE
...?!



"SO...
WHAT TO
DO? OBVIOUSLY
I CAN'T OUTFLY
IT, EVEN IF I GO
CLEAN AND PUNCH
IT UP TO
MACH 2.2.

"NOTHING
BUT TRAINING
WEAPONS,
SO I'M
UNARMED."



SITUATION
AWARENESS,
TARAU! WHERE
IS IT...?





"SO
BEAUTIFUL..."



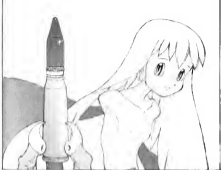




THE LEADING
EDGE OF A
STARFIGHTER'S
WING IS
RAZOR
SHARP...*











SHONA...













DADDY'S...
MISSING?



SHINA...

LOOK...
THAT'S
ALL
THEY--



IT'S...



IT'S
NOT
TRUE!!



MY DAD
WOULD NEVER
CRASH HIS
PLANE!





WH...
WHERE
IS
HE?

WHERE'S
MY
DADDY...



IT'S
ALMOST
TIME FOR
LUNCH.
HUNGRY?

YOU
WANT
ANY
THING?





UH-HUH.

UH-HUH.



N-NO.
I'M OKAY.
YEAH, THANKS.
MISTER SUZUKI.
BYE-BYE.



ANY...
NEWS?



NOTHING
YET.
BUT...

...THE SDF
AND THE
COAST GUARD
ARE OUT
LOOKING FOR
HIM.



UH...MR.
SUZUKI
YOU CAN
GO AHEAD
AND EAT.



I'M
NOT
HUNGRY.



THAT'S...
OKAY.
I'M NOT
EITHER.
I-



WELL,
OKAY
THEN.
THANKS.



YOU'RE
WELCOME.



SHINA...



408-008...

408-008...

THAT'S...

...DADDY'S
HEARTBEAT?!



HE...
HE'S
ALIVE!



LUB-DUB...

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SO...
WHAT IS
IT?



SOMEHOW
I DOUBT
YOU CAME
TO CHEER
ME UP.

TO SEE
ME LYING
IN BED
HELPLESS,
MAYBE.
THAT I
COULD
BELIEVE.



WWW,
THANKS
FOR
MAKING
THINGS
EASY.



OKAY.
TELL
ME...

...EXACTLY
WHAT
HAPPENED.









AND
SO...
TELL
ME.

TELL
ME
EVERY-
THING.

KLIK



AN
ANGEL
...?



AND...
WHAT'S A
"MULCAN"
...?

IT'S A
KIND OF
VERY FAST
MACHINE
BUT
STANDARD
EQUIPMENT
ON MOST
FIGHTERS.

ARE
YOU STILL
GOOD AT
DRAWING?
DRAW
THAT
CREATURE
FOR ME.

NOW?

OF
COURSE.



WOODS HAVE
MEANS
THAT BRD
YOU TO
ESTABLISHED
UNAGS.

THAT
CAN
BE MIS-
LEADING.



THIS
IS THE
SECOND
TIE...

...I'M
ENCOUNTERED
SOMETHING
THIS
STRANGE.



BUT THAT
FIRST
TIE...
YOU DIDN'T
BELIEVE
ME.



NOW
THAT
REALLY
WAS
AHER
AGU!





...FOR HER.



A MORE FORMAL INVESTIGATOR WILL COME BY LATER. BEHAVE YOURSELF... PLEASE?



ONE OF YOUR BAND --?

OOH, SCARY.



BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY.

AND DON'T TELL THE MEDIA THE TRUTH ABOUT ANYTHING.



BULLSHIT THEM AWAY, HUNT?

WE'LL LOOK LIKE IDIOTS.



SORRY ABOUT THAT.















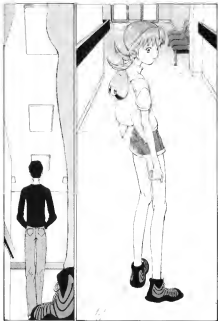






I'M
GLAD
YOUR
FATHER
WAS
OKAY.













SHINA, DON'T
FORGET...
...TO BRING
SOME
FOOD FOR MA,
OKAY?



YOU
KNOW
HOW
...?!



THEN
LET'S GO IN
TOGETHER
JUST
DO WHAT
I DO















THE WEIGHT OF A SCREAM

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COME
ON IN

THE
TRAMP'S
DADA



HORRORFUL
OVER THE
BEDDOW



THIS IS THE
FIRST TIME
YOU'VE BEEN
BACK, ISN'T IT,
JUNO?



ALONG
...?



WELL
YOU
DID YOU
SO...















WE CAN'T
JUST FORGET
ABOUT IT...
CAN WE?



THIS
ISN'T JUST
ABOUT FOG,
ARISA...



It...



IF THE
SUNNY MOON
DON'T COME
AFTER
US...

...WHAT
DO WE
DO?



...WHAT
DO WE
DO?



...

...NOT JUST
...



...TO
KILL HIM.







THEY
TRIED TO
KILL MY
DADDY!!

HE
COULD'VE
DIED!!





TO BE CONTINUED..

From a dying planet shall come the children of light...

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