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**MY EYES ARE THE EYES
OF A VICTIM;
MY HANDS ARE THE HANDS
OF AN ASSAILANT**





DEAD...? YOU'D BETTER START GETTING THE RESTAURANT READY FOR DINNER.



IN A MINUTE.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT?



HELLO...





EVERYTHING WAS SO MUCH EASIER IN THOSE DAYS.

SHE WAS SUCH A GOOD LITTLE GIRL...



BUT AT LEAST SHE'S STARTED GOING TO SCHOOL AGAIN.



"AND SHE SEEMS TO BE DOING WELL."

"TWO YEARS SINCE SHINA AND THAT SUDDO BOY CAME BY..."



YOU KNOW... BACK THEN...

SHE REALLY WAS A DADDY'S GIRL... WASN'T SHE?



I GUESS SO.



HEY,
DADDY!

HEY,
DON'T
I LOOK
CUTE?

PICK ME
UP,
DADDY!

PLEASE,
DADDY?!

I'M A
BIG GIRL
NOW,
AREN'T
I? HUH,
DADDY?



YEAR...



SHE
WAS A
"DADDY'S
GIRL."





WE DIDN'T
MISS YOU
WHILE YOU
WERE
GONE, YOU
KNOW?





WHY...

DO THOSE
GIRLS...

ALWAYS...

PICK
ON...

ARENA
...?



KTOK



I
DON'T
GET
IT.

KTOK



...



IT'S
NOT
NICE!

KRAK



WELL,
SHE IS
KIND OF
WEIRD,
GUY!













HEROHO,
YOU GOT
A HUNDRED
IN BATH
AGAIN,
DIDNT
YOU?

AREN'T
YOU A
CLEVER
LITTLE
BITCH!

IT...IT
WAS
NINETY-
SEVEN.

NOT A
HUNDRED?

NINETY-
SEVEN, A
HUNDRED...
WHAT'EVER.

SAME
DIFF TO
US,
RIGHT?

YEAH!
THEY
GRADE
ON A
CURVE!

AND
THAT
MEANS...

...WE PLAY
THE
PLUNGER
GAME!































...BUT IT'S A PITY TO JUST THROW THEM AWAY.



ARE YOU REALLY SURE I CAN HAVE THEM...?



HA HA HA!
YOSH!



...AND YOU'VE BEEN DOWN, TOO, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU, SMINA.



SMASH





OH, HI, SHINA! YOU LOOK CUTE!

HI, TAKAYA!
TAKAY!



YOU STAYING FOR DINNER ...?

NO, I HAVE TO GO COOK FOR DAD AND ME... YOU KNOW.



C'MON... TAKAYA WOULD LOVE IT, I BET!



SPEAKING OF THE DEVIL... YOUR INTER-TEAM BASKET GAME CAME BACK TODAY, RIGHT?

COUGH THEM UP!



AW-YA... LOOK AT THESE KAKOS!

YEAH, WELL... THEY'RE BETTER THAN SHINA'S

WELL...

INT...



YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS.

RIGHT, SHINA...?



UM... ACTUALLY, HE'S RIGHT.

OH SHINA...



HIROKO...
WE NEED
TO TALK.

WHAT ARE
WE GOING
TO DO
ABOUT
THESE
MARKS?



HAVE
YOU
BEEN
SLACKING
OFF AT
SCHOOL?

THIS IS
A VERY
IMPORTANT
PERIOD,
YOU
KNOW?

YOU HAVE
LESS THAN
FOUR
MONTHS
BEFORE
YOUR
ENTRANCE
EXAMS FOR
THE
ACADEMY.

IF YOU
CAN'T GET
STRAIGHT
100% AT
THIS AWFUL
SCHOOL,
YOU WON'T
HAVE ANY
CHANCE ON
THOSE
EXAMS.

I'M
SORRY.



IF WE'D HAD ANY IDEA JUST HOW POOR THIS SCHOOL WAS, WE WOULD HAVE MOVED SO YOU COULD ATTEND A BETTER ONE. BUT IT'S TOO LATE NOW.



ALSO... I HEAR YOU'VE BEEN SEEING THAT GIRL...



I FORGET HER NAME.

THAT FAILURE.

DON'T SPEND TIME WITH HER ANYMORE.

SHE'S CLEARLY A BAD INFLUENCE ON YOU.

ALL YOU NEED FROM THAT SCHOOL IS A PERFECT REPORT CARD, NOT "FRIENDS."

THE EDUCATION IS POOR, AND THE CHILDREN ARE LOW-CLASS.

THE PTA JUST TOLD ME THE SCHOOL PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO FINISH TEACHING THE FULL CURRICULUM THIS YEAR.

JUST LIKE LAST YEAR.









OHAY, OHAY!
I GET IT!

LOOK...
I KNOW
I'M NOT
THAT
SORT
OF...



N...NO...
I MEAN...
IT
LOOKED...
PRE...
PRETT...



AH...IT
LOOKED
LIKE HIROKO
WOULD
LOOK
PRETTY
IN IT!

DON'CHA
THINK?!



YOU WAITED
HERE TO
TELL ME
THAT...?

UH...
WELL...

SHE'S
SORT
OF...



WHAT
ABOUT
HER?

HIROKO







OH...
ARE YOU
SERIOUS??

Y-YEAH...
I MEAN...
GET REAL!



THAT
BITCHY
LITTLE
BITCH
NEEDS US
TO TEACH
HER A
REAL
LESSON!

SHE
THINKS
SHE'S
SUCH
HOT
SANTY



ANYWAY,
THIS
TIME
I BET
SHE'LL
DO IT.



AND AS
LONG AS
SHE
DOES
WHAT WE
SAY...

...NOTHING
HAPPENS.
RIGHT?



OKAY, LET'S
WRITE UP HER
ORDERS...
THIS TIME SHE
HAS TO GET
LESS THAN
70%!!

HA, HA...
FOR HER
THAT'LL
BE LIKE
GETTING A
DEATH
SENTENCE!















WELL,
YEAH,
FROM
SCHOOL.



AH, HA...
THEN IT'S
PROBABLY
BECAUSE
OF YOU.

HA?



GET?...
DOES SHE
HATE ME
THAT
MUCH...?



OH,
PLEASE!
I DON'T
THINK
SO!

YOU
YOUNG
BOYS
DON'T
UNDER-
STAND
GIRLS
AT ALL,
DO
YOU?







WHOA!

MS.
SAITO!



SHE NEEDS
TO BE TAKEN
TO THE
NURSE'S OFFICE.
WHO ELSE
IS HERE
FROM
CLASS 87?



WELL,
UN...E JIN,
B-BUT...



BUT WHAT,
MRD
ANDO...?



BUT I DON'T
WANA
TOUCH
HER.

SHE'S
LIPS...
REARD
AND
CREEPY































OKAY,
THEN...
BEH!



HEY,
CHINA.

EYES
FRONT
DURING
TESTS!



pretty!



ANYWAY...
HIROKO
CALLED
IN.

SHE SAID
SHE WASN'T
FEELING
WELL AND
COULDN'T
TAKE IT.











AW,
SHIT!!

I...
I'M
SORRY,
AKIRA!



SHFF



OWW...



FWHDD







AN,
SHIT.

SHIT,
SHIT,
SHIT!

















AKIRA
SENPAI,
YOU
GO TO
THE HIGH
SCHOOL IN
THE NEXT
DISTRICT
OVER,
RIGHT?

WHERE
DID
YOU
MEET
SENPAI?

IS...
SENPAI?
IS NOT?

I MET
HER AT
A MARITAL
ACTS
CLASS.

WAT
NO
KIDDING!

UM...
WILL
YOU
BELIEVE
IT OR
NOT...

...?





DO YOU
THINK
WE'RE
KIND OF
ALREADY?

YOU KNOW,
I SKIPPED
SCHOOL
TODAY FOR
THE FIRST
TIME IN MY
LIFE.

I'VE NEVER
BEEN
ABSENT
BEFORE
EXCEPT
WHEN I WAS
REALLY
SICK.



G-GEE...
THAT'S
AWAZNO.
L...L...

I SKIP
SCHOOL
ALL THE
TIME...



SO,
UN...

WHY
DID
YOU
SKIP
TODAY
...?







...IT'S THE
WHOLE
WORLD.

IT'S THE
WORLD'S
FAULT.



A WORLD
LIKE
THIS...

IT WOULD
BE
BETTER
IF IT WAS
SOME.





YOU SEE??

THAT'S WHY?

I HATE IT!

THIS WHOLE STUPID IDEA ABOUT "SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST" IS AWFUL!



Y-YES.

I AL-WAYS...



THAT KIND OF WORLD SHOULD BE—



HUR...?

WHAT ARE YOU TWO DOING HERE??



HI, SHINA.













I'M FINE
NOW,
SHINA.
THANK
YOU.

I HAD
A REALLY
GOOD
TIME
TODAY.



A...
NA,
TOO...



IT
WAS...
UM...

... REALLY
RELAXING.



SEE
YOU.

YEAH,
SEE YOU
TOMOR-
ROW.



GOOD
NIGHT,
SHINA.

G'NIGHT
...!









B-BUT...
I DIDN'T
TAKE THE
TEST!
ISN'T THAT
GOOD
ENOUGH?!



NO WAY!
ARE YOU
KIDDING?!

WHO CARES
IF YOU
SKIPPED THE
TEST? WE
WANTED TO
SEE LITTLE
MISS
GETTING
LESS
LESS
THAN
TOM?!



HEH,
HEH,
HEH...



SO,
HERO-
KO...

THIS
WILL
BE
YOUR
FIRST
TIME...



...RIGHT?

LUCKY
YOU.

AT LEAST
YOU WON'T
GET
PREGNANT.



N-
NO!!
NO!!

NOOOO!!

OH...
OH,
BODY!

A
PLOOR...
NO!!

HOLD
THE
LITTLE
BITCH
DOWN,
GIRL!

LIE
BACK
AND
RELAX,
DEAR...
OR
IT'LL
HURT
EVEN
WORSE.













I'M
BACK.



HIBIKKO
...?

WHERE
WERE YOU
TODAY?



E-E...

UM...



IT MUST
HAVE BEEN
SOMETHING
VERY
IMPORTANT
FOR YOU TO
SKIP PEEP
SCHOOL,
TOO.



THAT'S
ALL.

GO TO
YOUR
DOOR
NOW.



KLMP



10
10
10

I SAID
YOUR
DAUGHTER
IS A
SLUT

YOUR
DAUGHTER
IS
A
SLUT

LET'S
JUST
FORGET
MY
DAUGHTER
IS
A
SLUT

A
SLUT
DAUGHTER

I HAVE
NO
IDEA
WHAT
YOU
MEAN.
IT'S
ONLY
NATURAL
FOR
A
FATHER
TO
WANT
TO
PROTECT
HIS
CHILD.
BUT
DO
WHAT
HE
WANTS
TO

I'M NOT
DISCUSSING
THIS
ANY
FURTHER.
YOUR
DAUGHTER
IS
A
BAD
INFLUENCE
ON
OUR
CHILD.



SEE
THAT
SHE
DOES
NOT
HARM
HERO
AGAIN.





AHH...

AHH
...!







WHAT IS IT?

IT'S LATE...



I... I COULDN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED...



I...
I...

I'LL PROTECT YOU, HIROKO.



I DUNNO... IT'S KINDA WEIRD WITH HER.

BUT...

WITH YOU I JUST FEEL LIKE... I CAN'T LEAVE YOU ALL ALONE.



TA...
....

BUT... ISN'T SHINNA THE ONE YOU LIKE... ?





IT'S...
IT'S...

TOO
LATE.

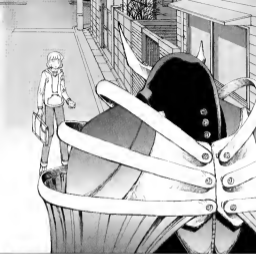
















DAMN...

COULDN'T
EVEN TELL
IT WAS
A PERSON.

IT WAS
LIKE
SOMEONE
DUMPED
A POT OF
BIBB STEW
ON THE
ROAD.

?HEY,
YOU ALL
RIGHT,
WORLD?



SIR...? THE WITNESS
HAS CALMED
DOWN A
LITTLE.

OHAY, LET'S SEE
IF WE
CAN GET
SOMETHING
OUT OF
SEN NON.



SO...
CAN YOU
DESCRIBE
THE
MURDERER?







OH...

IT WORKED GREAT! YOU GET SUCH COOL IDEAS, LOVER.



SO...

HOW DID MY TEST TUBE IDEA GO, AMY?



MAKING HER DRINK THE "WORM JUICE" WAS A TOTAL WASTE OF TIME.

BUT THE TEST TUBE THING REALLY FREAKED HER OUT.



JUST DON'T ACTUALLY KICK HER, OKAY, AMY?

POP-TRICKING YOU'RE GOING TO BE ENOUGH.



I WON'T, I WON'T, AMY...

HER... WHY DON'T I BELIEVE YOU?

BUT THINK ABOUT IT... IF YOU REALLY DID IT, THERE WOULD BE A MAJOR MESS, AND YOU'D GET INTO DEEP SHIT FOR SURE.

JUST BRING YOUR FOOT LIKE YOU'RE GONNA DO IT, AND SHE'LL PROBABLY PASS OUT.

AWW, DON'T WORRY.



I MEAN, I'M NOT REALLY A BAD GIRL.

OH, YEAH...?

THANK

WHAT WAS THAT...?

SPRAKK



WHD



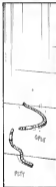








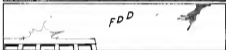




























THE MPD
DETECTIVE
BUREAU
...?

WHAT'S
A
BUREAUCRAT
DOING
HERE?



CUT ME
SOME
SLACK,
OKAY? I'M
NO DESK
JOCKEY.

I
STARTED
OUT IN
THE
MPD.



SO THAT'S
WHY YOU
DON'T HAVE
THAT TIGHT-
ARMED
LOOK.

THAT'S
A RELIEF!
NOW I
WON'T HAVE
TO HOLD
YOUR
HAND.



HEH!

DON'T
YOU
WORRY
ABOUT
THAT.
I--



THAP



WHAT
THE HELL
WAS
THAT?!

IT'S
HEADING
TOWARDS
THE
SCHOOL!!





MR. SUMINO...



WHAT IS IT, MIYOKO?



I...
I...

I HAVE
SOMETHING
I NEED TO
BUY...

SHUT
UP!
SHUT
UP!!



WE HAVE
NOTHING
TO DO
WITH
THIS!!



NOW,
MIYOKO...
WHAT
DID YOU
WANT TO
SAY?



MISS
TAKA-
MURA
!!





H-HONDA
AND
OGATA
AND I....
.....



AND... AND
SEVERAL
OTHERS
FROM THIS
CLASS...
WE WERE
BULLYING
HONKO.



AND
THERE
WERE
LOTS OF
KIDS
WHO
KNEW
ABOUT
IT...



... AND
HONKOU
IS.



AH... AND NOW
HONDA AND OZAKI
GOT KILLED...
AND... AND
MAYBE...



ARE YOU
SUGGESTING
ANDONO
KAZUKA IS
RESPONSIBLE?



WELL...
UM...
E...

SHE...
...
...



THANK
YOU,
MAYUKO.
WE CAN
TALK
ABOUT
THIS
MORE
LATER.

BUT...

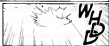


THE POLICE
ARE SEARCHING
HARD FOR THE
CRIMINAL, SO
DON'T WORRY.



BE
REASONABLE!
YOU CAN'T
BE SERIOUS
ABOUT
HISOKO.

IT
COULDN'T
BE HER.



WH
ED



AH--?

SKRASHH

KRAK

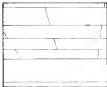


















MYOKO!!

WHAT THE HELL IS--



A- MYOKO ...?

AAA
AAA









**RYAH
H
H!!**



FWAK



**LET
HER
GO!!**

**WH
KA
FWAK**



HRRK!

THAD



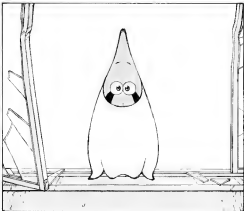






THOK













HIRKO...
DOING
SOMETHING
LIKE THIS...

... IS
WRONG.



TO KILL
PEOPLE...
LIKE
THIS...
DON'T..



**DON'T
MOVE!!**



WHAT
THE HELL
AM I
DOING?

DOES IT
EVEN
UNDER-
STAND
NET?

OKAY
...?

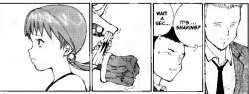
JUST
STOP
DOING
THIS.

HURRY
UP!!
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?!

GET
AWAY
FROM
IT!!

HURRY
UP AND
EVACUATE
THE
CHILDREN
NOW!





WHRAK
K



IT IS
YOU,
ISN'T
IT?

HIROKO.









TARGET
FLUING
ALONG THE
ROOFS!!

IT'S
HEADING
NORTH!!



WHAT
THE
HELL IS
THIS?

YOU
MEAN TO
SAY IT
REALLY IS
A MONSTER?

YOU'VE
GOT TO
BE
KIDDING!



THERE
ARE NO?
WESSES,
SER.

I KNOW,
I KNOW



WHERE
CAN
IT BE
HEADED?

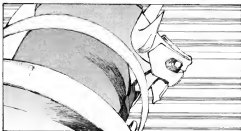
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捜
査
本
部



"HEADED" ...?
WHO KNOWS IF
THE MONSTER OR
WHATEVER IS EVEN
INTELLIGENT?









WEE-000
WEE-000

OH
MY
GOD!!

MI-
YOKO
...!!

WE'RE
REDEPTING
FROM THE
SCENE
OF THE
INCIDENT,
SOME
PUBLIC
SCHOOL.

THE CRIME
SCENE IS STILL
CHAOTIC, AND
WE CAN'T GET
RELIABLE
INFORMATION...

...THOUGH
WE HEAR
GUMMERS
THAT THE
INTRUDER
WAS A MOUNTAIN
MAN, ABOUT
SEVEN FEET
TALL...

...AND THAT
THIS INDIVIDUAL
SEVERELY
INJURED SEVERAL
STUDENTS.





IT CERTAINLY COULDN'T BE MAKING THE PURSUIT ANY EASIER.



LOOK AT THE MAP--IT'S FOLLOWING PUBLIC BUS ROUTES.



IT DOESN'T KNOW ANY OTHER ROADS.



IT ONLY KNOWS THE ROUTES IT USUALLY RIDES ON THE BUS...



WELL, WELL?



HOW NICE OF IT TO CHOOSE ROUTES THAT ARE SAID FOR US TO FOLLOW.



... BE-
CAUSE
IT'S A
CHILD.



PP
A
CHILD
...?





SIR, WHAT...

TAKARA, IS YOUR HAND ALL RIGHT?



THE POLICE ARE WAITING TO TALK TO YOU.

OKAY, BUT...



... CAN I BORROW THE PHONE FIRST?

AH... OKAY, BUTTED DO USE THE TEACHERS' OFFICE.

THOUGH ALL THE PHONES ARE PROBABLY BINGING OFF THE HOOK...



HAVE YOU SEEN SHENA?

NO, I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR HER, TOO.



THAT BACK-PACK OF MINE...



SHENA...
.....

















WHAT ARE YOU GUYS BLACKING OFF FOR?

COOPS... HE BOSS.



UH... WELL, THERE'S THIS CRAZY INCIDENT GOING ON AND--

"INCIDENT" ...?

HAS IT GOT ANYTHING TO DO WITH BUSINESS?



WELL, UH...

ER...

IN THAT CASE, GET BACK TO WORK.

OUR CAMERA CREW IS NOW HEADING MOTOMI AIRFIELD NORTHWEST OF THE CITY.

AND YOU HEAR, TAMU? I THOUGHT AT LEAST YOU'D--



KRACK





NOW I
SEE...

THAT
WAS ONE,
TOO.



HEARD,
I...



HEH...
STUPID
ME.

IF I HAD
NOTICED
THAT
SOONER,
THINGS
WOULD HAVE
BEEN...
DIFFERENT.



TO HAVE
HAD A
COMPANION
SO
CLOSE...



WHY DID
THINGS
HAVE TO
TURN OUT
THIS
WAY...?



NEEDING...? COME ON...

...LET'S STOP ALL THIS.



OKAY?



NO, IT'S TOO LATE.



BUT...

BUT CAN'T YOU--



NO.

I... I KILLED PEOPLE.

SO OF THEM.









WHO...?

THE KILLER HAS
TAKEN A
HOSTAGE !!

THE KILLER
HAS BROKEN
INTO THE
OFFICES AT
MOTOKI
AIRFIELD...

...AND
TAKEN A
HOSTAGE!!



REPEATING
THIS
DEARING
NEWS...



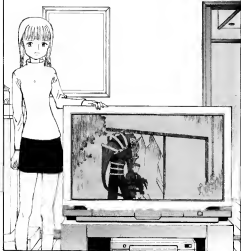
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SUSPECT
IN THE SERIAL
COLD
MURDERS
SINCE
YESTERDAY
HAS TAKEN
A HOSTAGE.

THE
LOCATION
IS MOTOKI
AIRFIELD,
NORTHWEST
OF THE
CITY.

THE
HOSTAGE
IS BELIEVED
TO BE
FROM THE
AIRPORT
STAFF...

DAAN...

IT LOOKS
LIKE OUR
COP CAN
GET A
PICTURE OF
THE ALLEGED
KILLER
AND HIS
HOSTAGE!





HEHHEH...



YOU CAN'T...
REALLY
DO IT,
RIGHT?



WHY NOT?
IT DOESN'T
MATTER
HOW MANY
PEOPLE I
KILL NOW,
DOES IT?



AND
BESIDES,
I THINK IT
WILL BE
FOR YOUR
GOOD,
TOO.



IT'S BETTER
FOR YOU
THAT YOUR
FATHER NOT
BE ALIVE,
SHINA.



AND
SO...





**LET'S
BECOME
FRIENDS,
SHINA.**

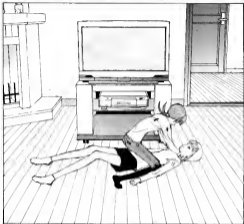




DAMN
YOU,
HIROKO
!!



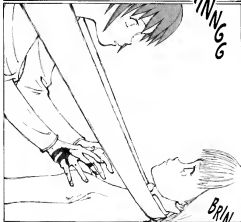








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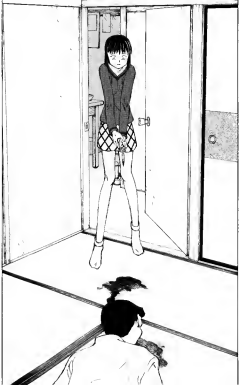






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