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HO HO...
OF COURSE,
ONCE YOU
BECOME A
GREAT STAR

IT'S
IMPOSSI-
BLE RIGHT
NOW,
AYUMI



MO-
THER,
WILL YOU ALLOW
ME TO PERFORM
THE 'CRIMSON
GODDESS'?



HA HA HA,
YOU HAVE A
BIG RIVAL
NOW, UTAKO

I'LL BE HAPPY
IF AYUMI CAN
SURPASS ME



WE HAVE
TO FORGET
THE FACT
THAT WE'RE
HUMAN
BEINGS

TO BE
ABLE

THE ROLE OF
THE THE
CRIMSON
GODDESS...
IS VERY
DIFFICULT



YOU NEED
EXPERI-
ENCE

TO PLAY
THAT ROLE

YOU NEED
MORE THAN
TALENT



I UNDER-
STAND
I STILL NEED
TO DO A
LOT TO
SHARPEN
MY SKILLS



EVEN
TOUGH
ONES

PLAYED
VARIOUS
ROLES...

I'VE BEEN
IN THE
THEATER
BUSINESS
FOR 20
YEARS

BUT
'CRIMSON
GODDESS'
IS ON A
DIFFERENT
LEVEL



'CRIMSON
GODDESS'

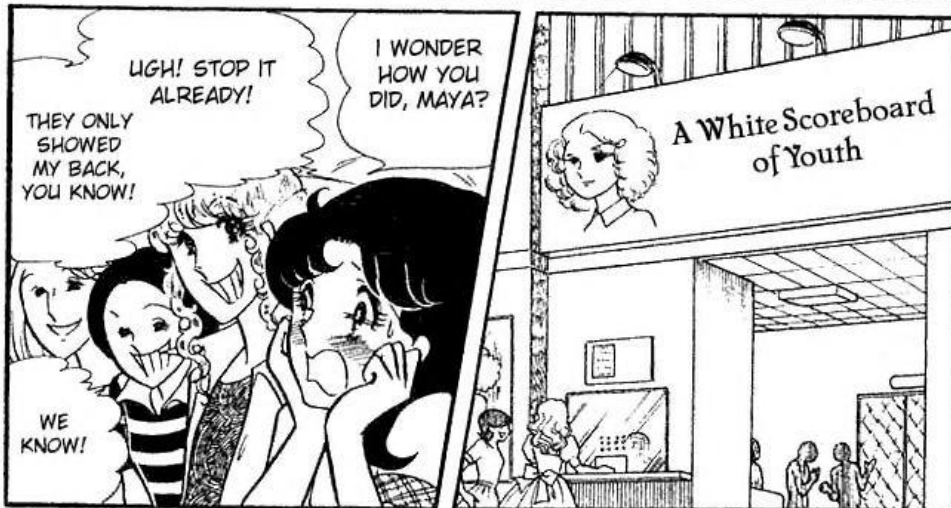
IF WE COULD
FORGET THAT
WE'RE HUMAN

IF WE COULD
PLAY ANY
KIND OF
ROLE...

ANY
KIND...

YES, YOU
NEED A LOT
OF NEW
EXPERIENCES

TO BUILD
UP YOUR
TALENT, YOUR
TECHNIQUE,
YOUR
ABILITY



UGH! STOP IT
ALREADY!

I WONDER
HOW YOU
DID, MAYA?

THEY ONLY
SHOWED
MY BACK,
YOU KNOW!

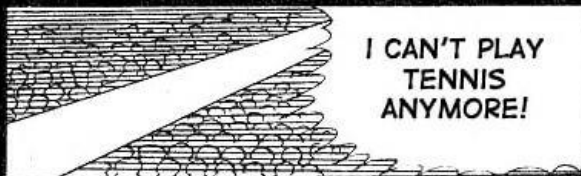
WE
KNOW!

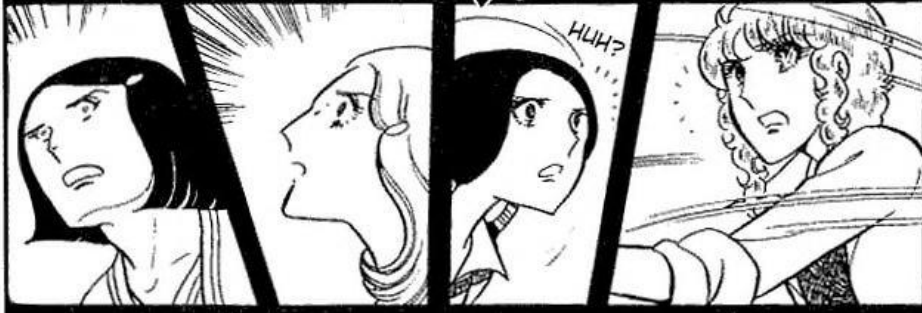
A White Scoreboard
of Youth

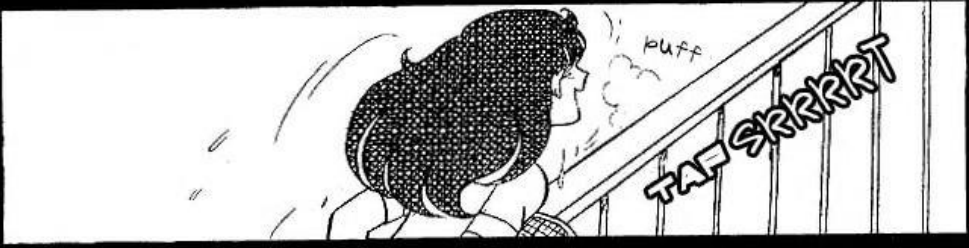


NOBODY
TOLD ME
ANYTHING
ABOUT MY
ILLNESS

WHY
DIDN'T
THEY TELL
ME?









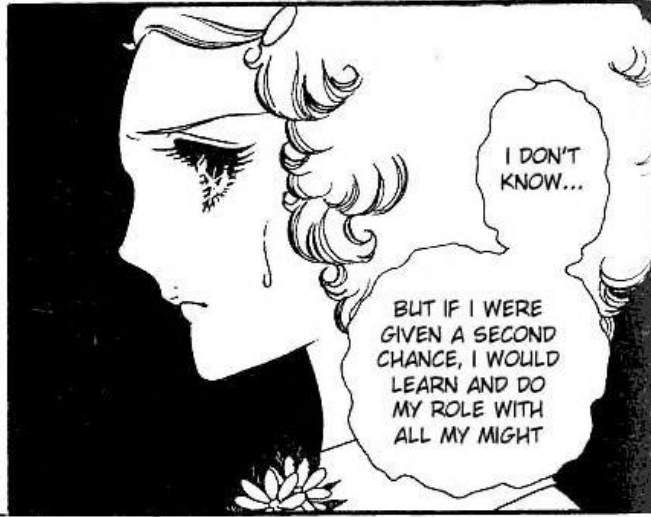


EMI...

WHAT ABOUT YOUR SECOND ONE?



YOUR FIRST MOVIE WAS A BIG SUCCESS, EMI!



I DON'T KNOW...

BUT IF I WERE GIVEN A SECOND CHANCE, I WOULD LEARN AND DO MY ROLE WITH ALL MY MIGHT



I HAD NO IDEA YOU WERE AN ACTRESS!

I SAW IT!
YOUR SMALL ROLE WAS QUITE SHOCKING!



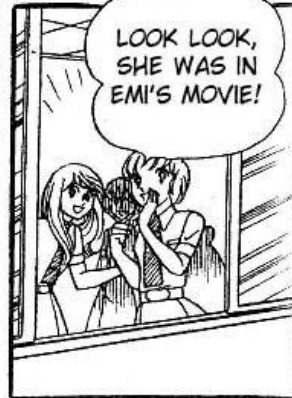
CONFUSING EVEN...

IT FEELS WEIRD.. IT'S TOO DIFFERENT COMPARED TO PREVIOUS DAYS



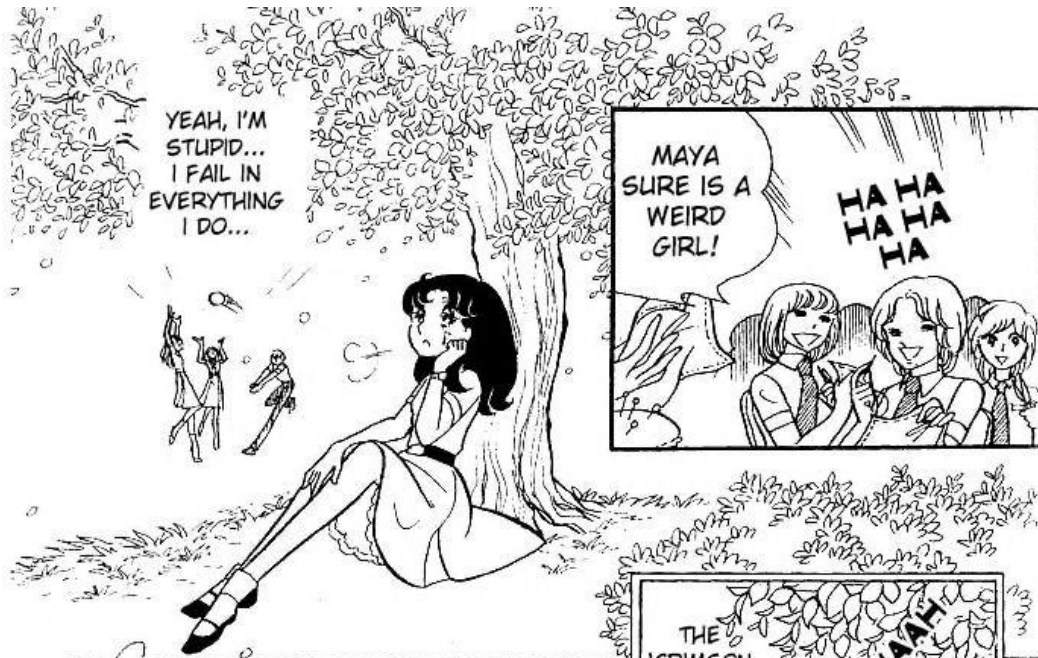
MAYA, LET'S HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER!

WANT SOME TEA?



LOOK LOOK, SHE WAS IN EMI'S MOVIE!





YEAH, I'M STUPID... I FAIL IN EVERYTHING I DO...

MAYA SURE IS A WEIRD GIRL!

HA HA HA HA HA



WOULD A GIRL LIKE ME BE ABLE TO PLAY THAT ROLE?

THE 'CRIMSON GODDESS'

WAAAHH WAAAHH WAAAHH



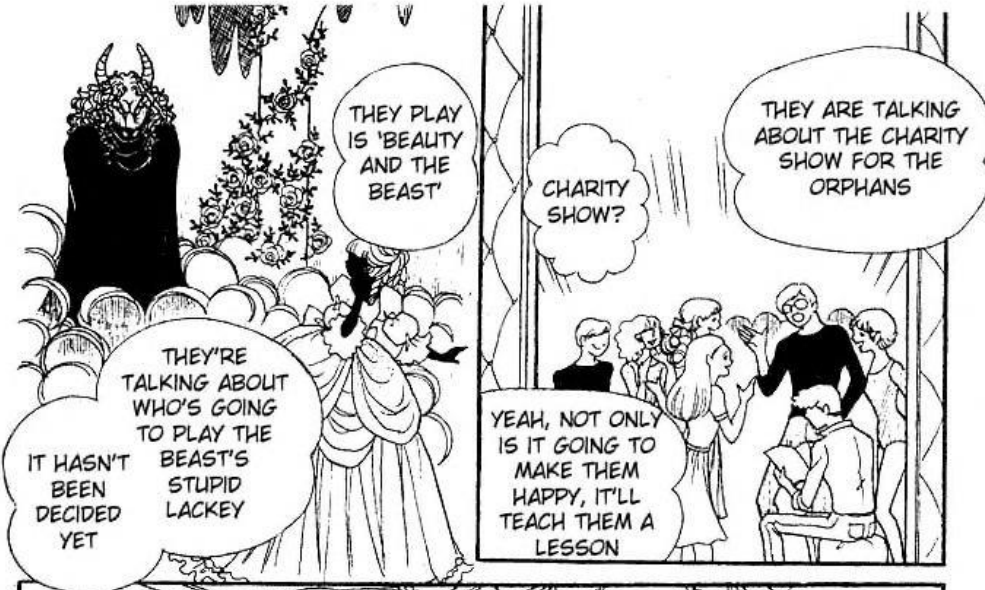
WAAI WAAI WAAI



WHAT ARE THEY DOING?



Undine Theater



THEY PLAY IS 'BEAUTY AND THE BEAST'

THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT THE CHARITY SHOW FOR THE ORPHANS

CHARITY SHOW?

THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT WHO'S GOING TO PLAY THE BEAST'S STUPID LACKEY
IT HASN'T BEEN DECIDED YET

YEAH, NOT ONLY IS IT GOING TO MAKE THEM HAPPY, IT'LL TEACH THEM A LESSON



DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, YOU'RE GOING TO PLAY THE LEAD CHARACTER

OH, THE LACKEY?



AYUMI..?

TURN



NO WAY! WHY WOULD YOU WANT SUCH AN INSIGNIFICANT ROLE?!

YOU ARE GOING TO PLAY THE LEAD CHARACTER!



NO ONE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO PLAY THE BEAST'S LACKEY, IS THAT TRUE?

CAN I PLAY THE LACKEY?

WHAT!? YOU, AYUMI!?



I WANT A
ROLE THAT'S
EXACTLY
THE
OPPOSITE
OF ME

NAHH, I
WANT THAT
ROLE!

FROM NOW ON,
I WANT EVERY
KIND OF ROLE,
EVEN IF IT'S
INSIGNIFICANT



YES! THIS IS
WHAT I HAVE TO
DO FOR THE
ROLE OF THE
CRIMSON
GODDESS!



I WANT TO
PLAY 'CRIMSON
GODDESS' IN
THE FUTURE..

YEAH! I
WANT ANY
KIND OF
ROLE!

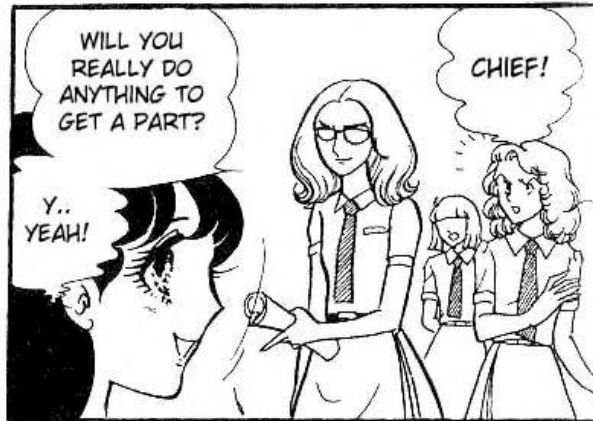
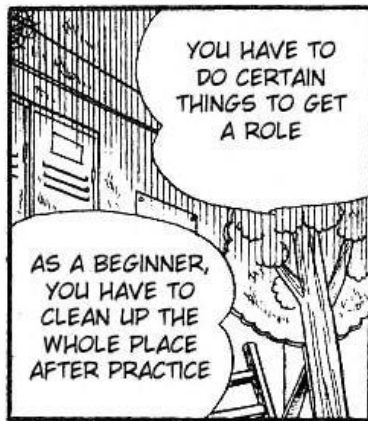
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BORN
TO ACT!

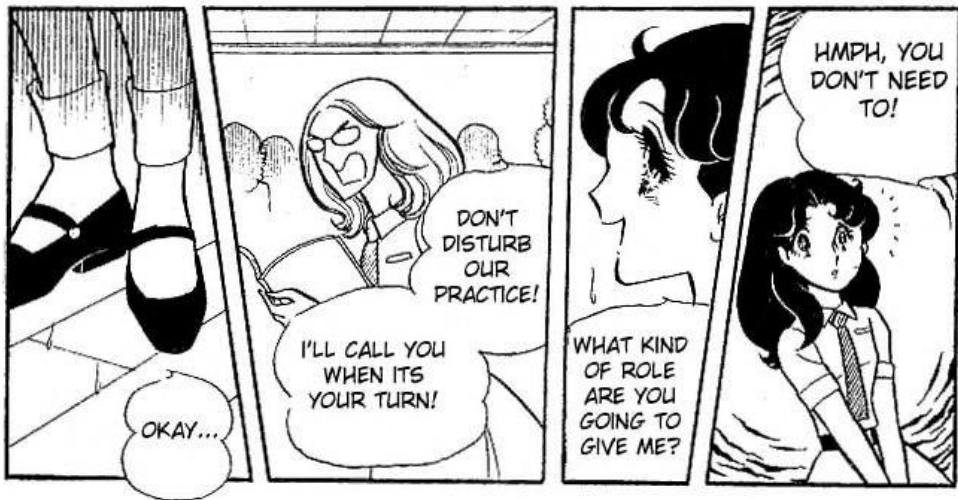
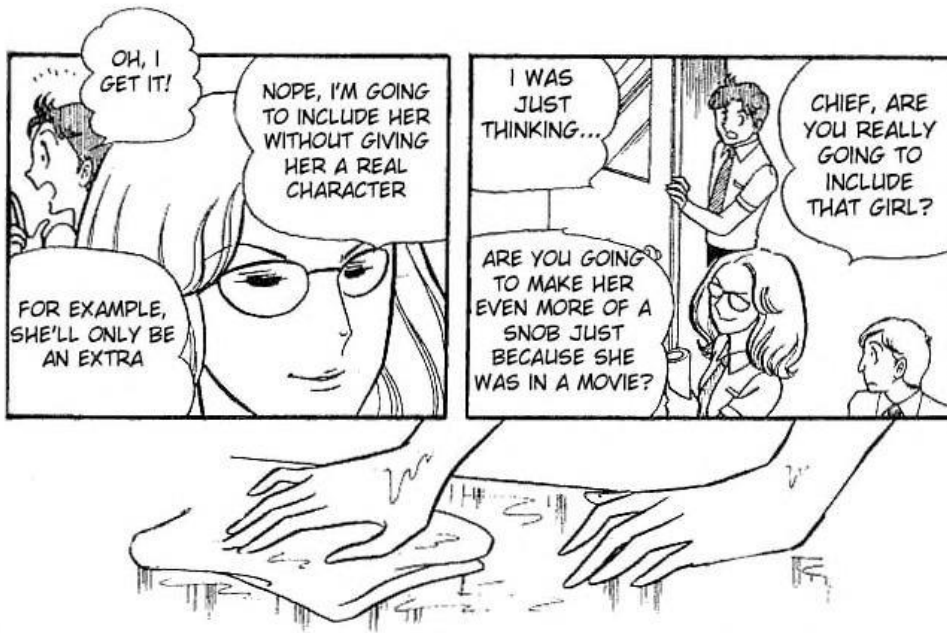
YEAH..
SOMEDAY...

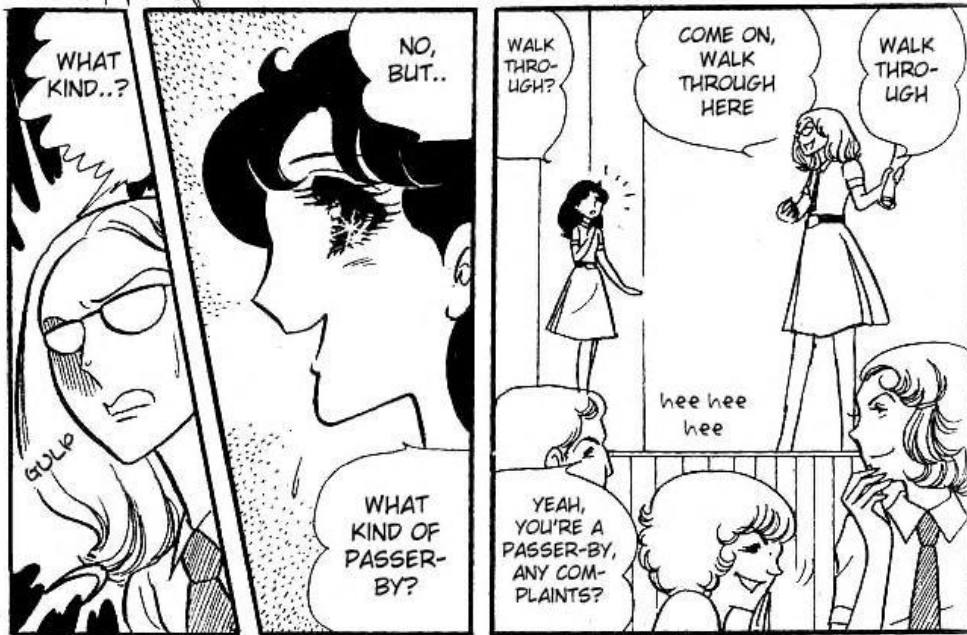
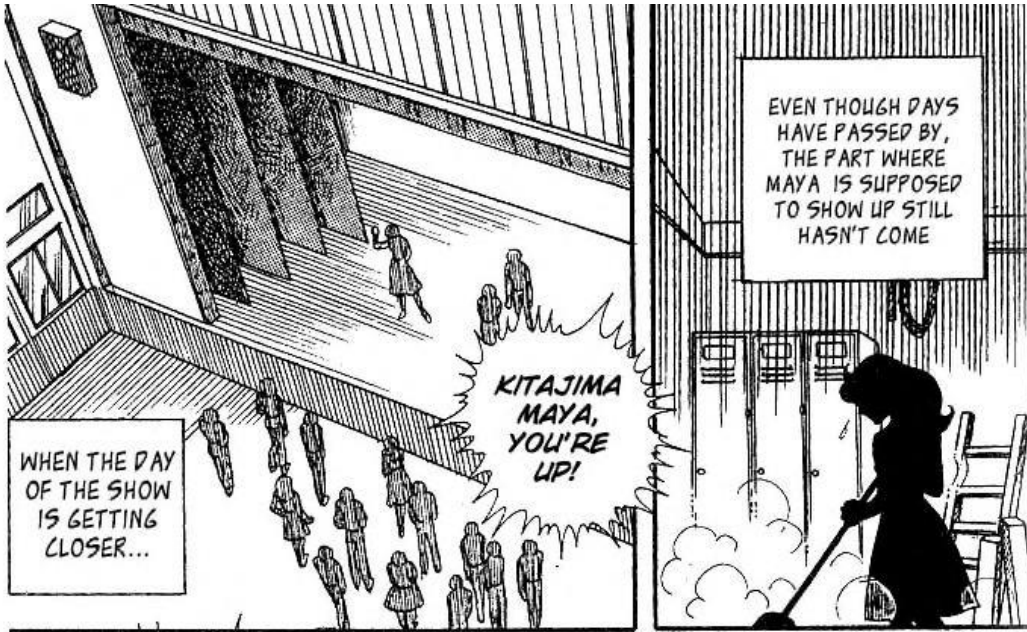


THE DRAMA CLUB IS PRACTICING THEIR PLAY FOR THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL











WELL IS IT AN ELDERLY PERSON, A CHILD, OR A TEENAGER?

NOT ANYONE IMPORTANT!
I SAID JUST WALK THROUGH!

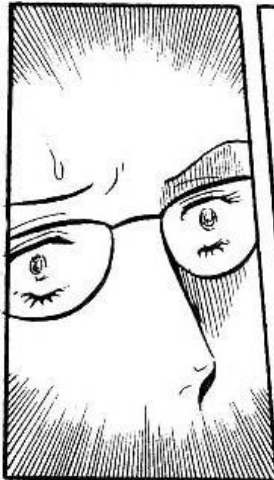
OR IS IT A RICH OR POOR PERSON, OR A MEMBER OF THE ROYAL FAMILY?
OR A BUSINESSMAN? THEY ALL HAVE THEIR OWN CHARACTERISTICS WHEN WALKING



HMM.. THAT'S TRUE..



SORRY FOR ASKING SPECIFIC QUESTIONS, BUT I NEED TO KNOW IN ORDER TO ACT



BUT, IN WHAT MANNER?

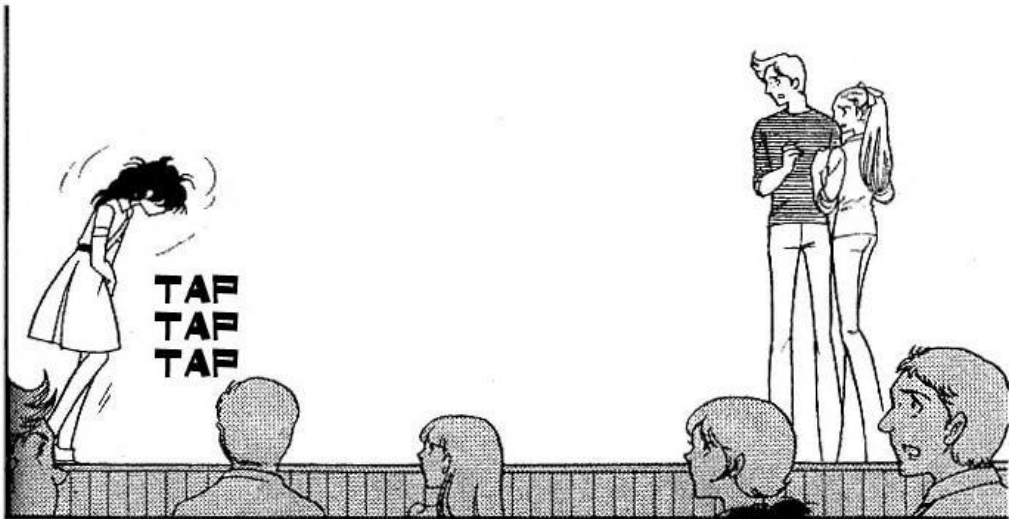
TIRED, HURRIED, OR LEISURELY?

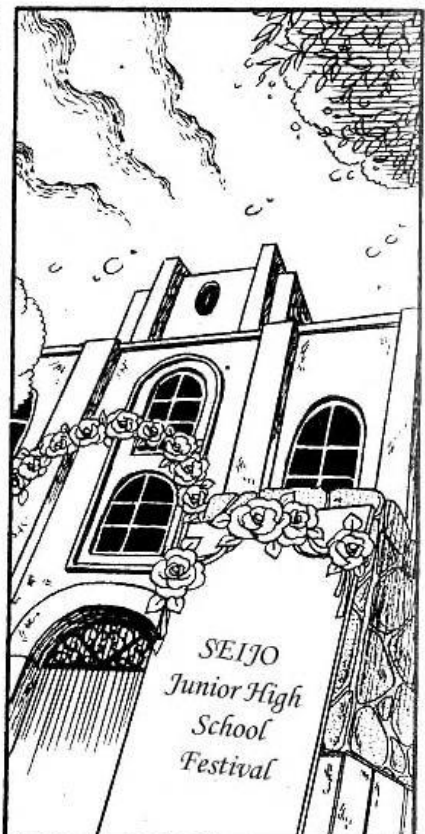


OKAY OKAY!

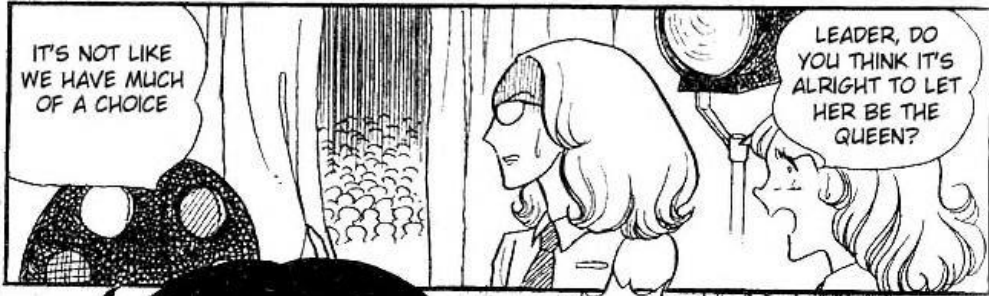
ACT AS A BUSINESSMAN'S WIFE!













FEELS
LIKE A
DREAM...

I'M GONNA BE
THE QUEEN..
QUEEN..
THE KID WHO
ALWAYS FAILS AT
EVERYTHING..

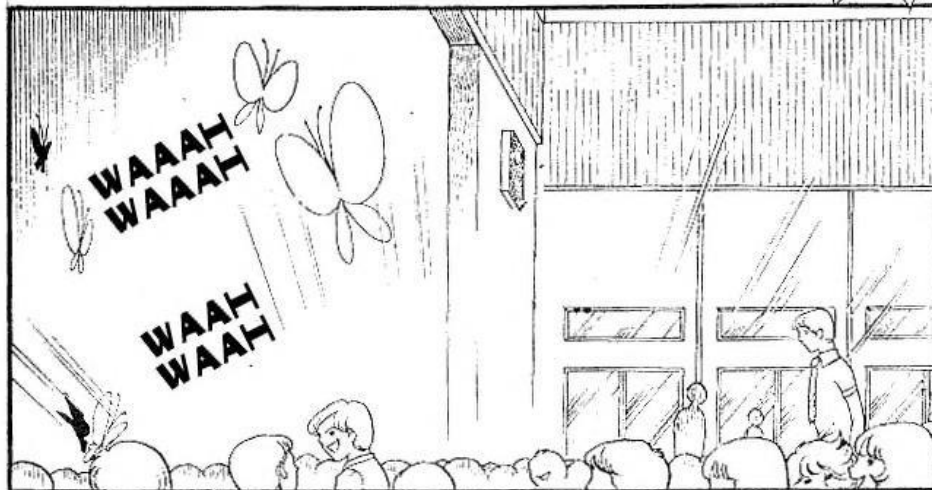
..AND IS ALWAYS
AT THE BOTTOM IN
RANKING IN
CLASS, WILL
BECOME A QUEEN
TONIGHT...



EVEN IF I'M NOT
PRETTY, IF I
WEAR A MASK
AND ACT LIKE A
QUEEN...

SINCE IT'S
A DRAMA,
I CAN BE
ANYONE

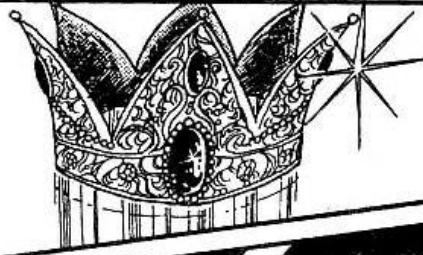
I CAN BE A
QUEEN...



WAAAH
WAAAH

WAAH
WAAH

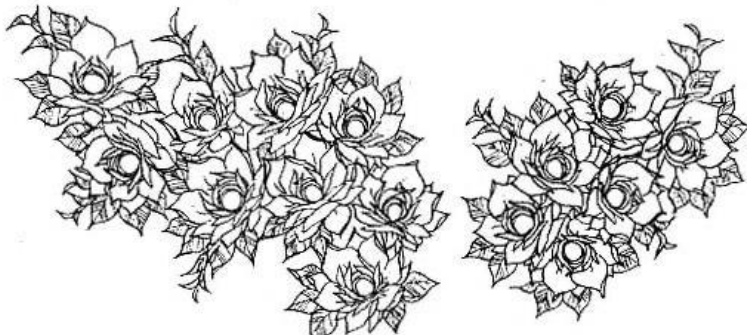
I'M NOT MYSELF
ANYMORE



ONCE I WEAR
THAT MASK...

RIGHT NOW,
I HAVE TO
BE A
QUEEN!





I HOPE YOU GUYS CAN COVER BY DOING YOUR BEST

WE DON'T HAVE NAKAMURA WITH US THIS TIME



CHATTER CHATTER

BUT WILL IT BE ALRIGHT, GIVING AN IMPORTANT CHARACTER TO THIS CLUMSY GIRL?

WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO OUR QUEEN...

CHATTER CHATTER

SHE HAS SOME EXPERIENCE AND HAS ACTED IN TABUCHI EMI'S MOVIE, I'M SURE SHE KNOWS A FEW THINGS HERE AND THERE

HMPH! SHE ONLY SHOWED UP FOR A FEW MINUTES!

NOW WHERE ARE MY CONTACTS!?

CRREEEAK

EVERYBODY IN POSITION!

THE CURTAIN IS DRAWN!

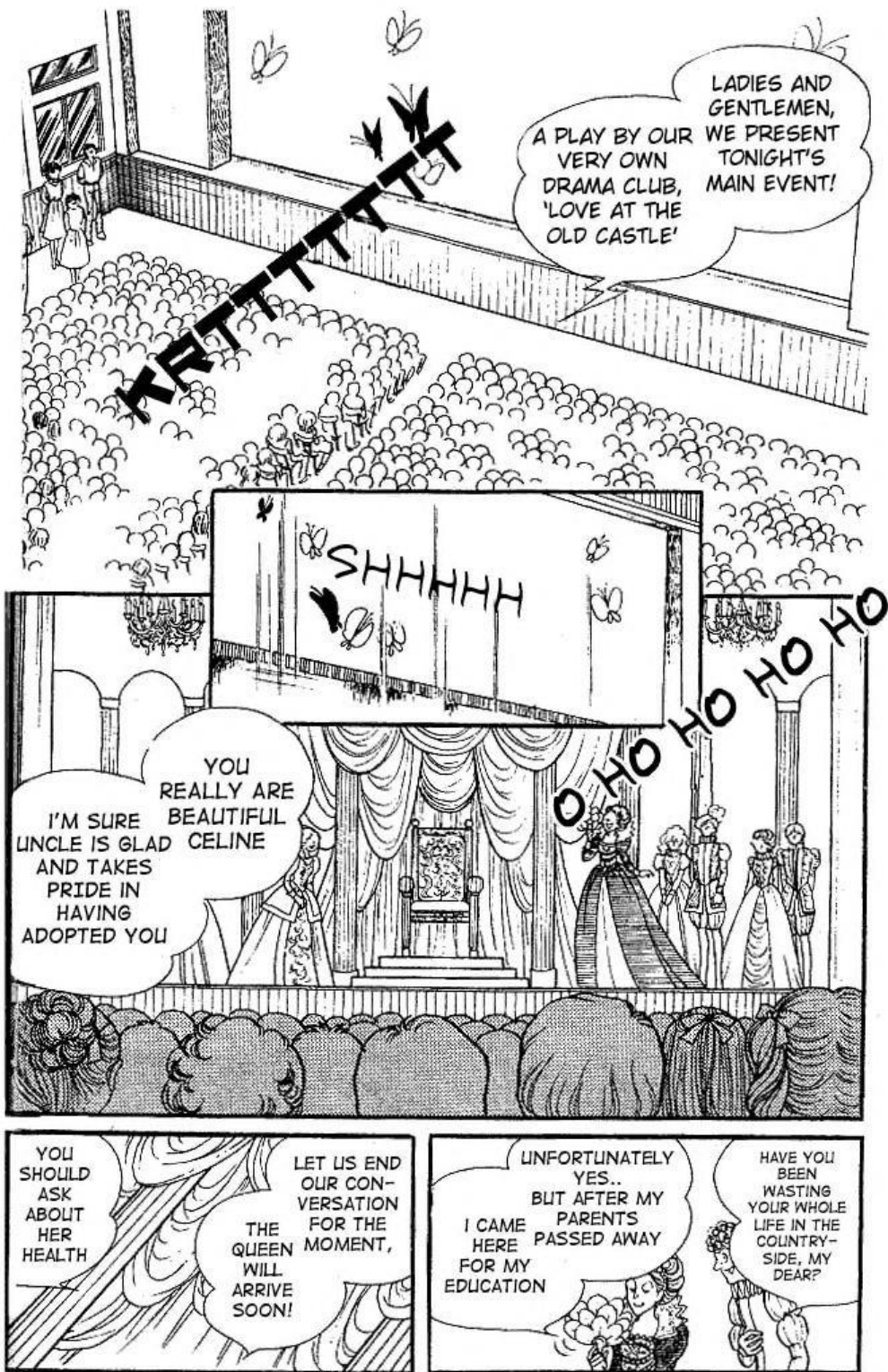
WE'LL TAKE OVER YOUR DIALOGUE AND YOU WON'T HAVE TO DO ANYTHING BUT NOD AND PLAY ALONG

IF YOUR FORGET YOUR LINES, JUST LOOK AT US, OKAY?

YOU!

AND DON'T FORGET, YOU'RE PLAYING A QUEEN!

SHOW YOUR CHARISMA!



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE PRESENT TONIGHT'S MAIN EVENT!
A PLAY BY OUR VERY OWN DRAMA CLUB, 'LOVE AT THE OLD CASTLE'

SHHHHH

I'M SURE UNCLE IS GLAD AND TAKES PRIDE IN ADOPTED YOU

YOU REALLY ARE BEAUTIFUL CELINE

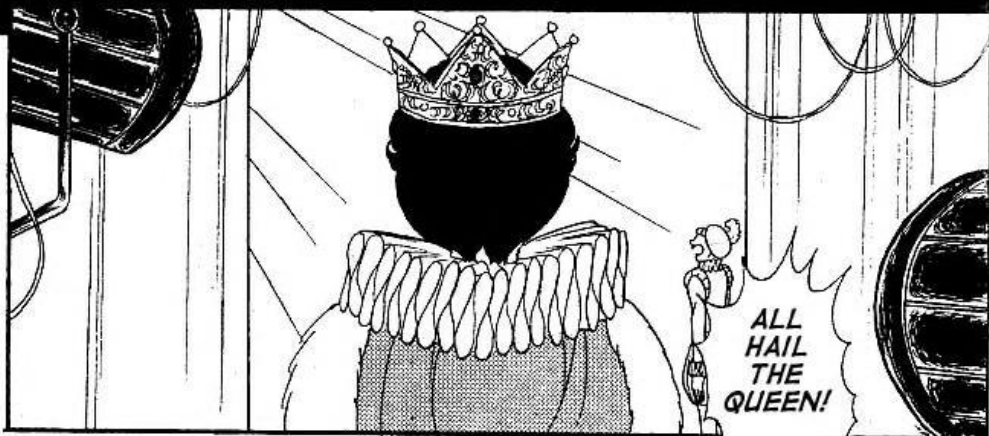
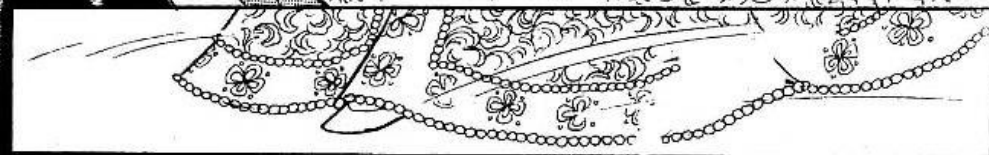
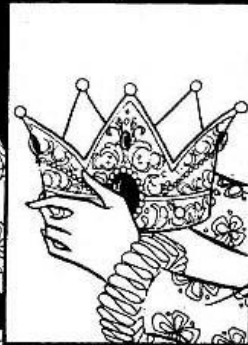
O HO HO HO HO

YOU SHOULD ASK ABOUT HER HEALTH

LET US END OUR CONVERSATION FOR THE MOMENT, THE QUEEN WILL ARRIVE SOON!

UNFORTUNATELY YES.. BUT AFTER MY PARENTS PASSED AWAY I CAME HERE FOR MY EDUCATION

HAVE YOU BEEN WASTING YOUR WHOLE LIFE IN THE COUNTRY-SIDE, MY DEAR?







THUMP

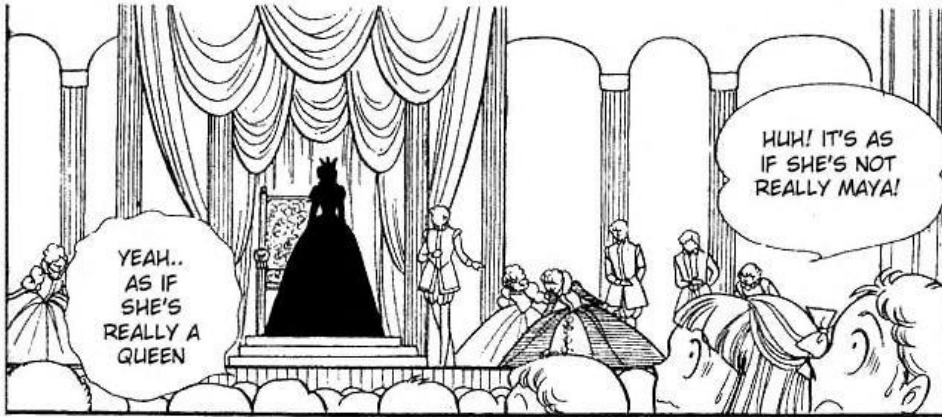
HEALTHY

[Surprised face]

HMM

I'M HAPPY THAT ALL OF YOU LOOK HEALTHY AS WELL

[Two people talking]



YEAH.. AS IF SHE'S REALLY A QUEEN

HUH! IT'S AS IF SHE'S NOT REALLY MAYA!



OOH, WHAT A BEAUTY

YOUR HIGHNESS, THIS IS MY NIECE, CELINE



HER CHARISMA IS NOT AN ACT

DIFFERENT.. SHE'S NOT THE CLUMSY GIRL SHE NORMALLY IS



THANK YOU, YOUR HIGHNESS!

BECAUSE YOU SAID THAT

I AM VERY HONORED!



WHAT ARE YOU DOING!? SAY YOUR LINE!

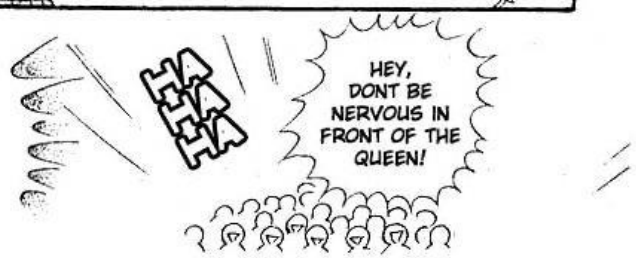
RIGHT!



YOUR ARE MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN I HAD THOUGHT

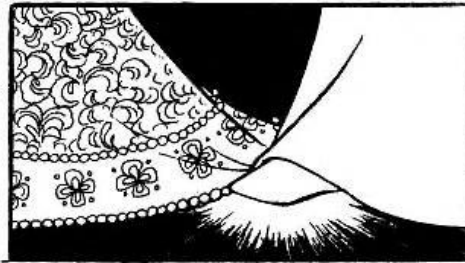
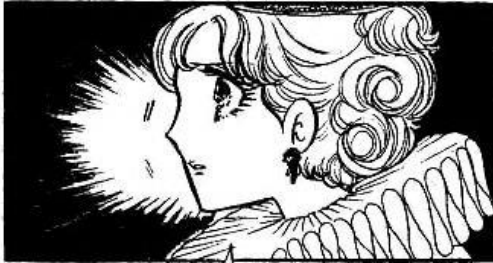


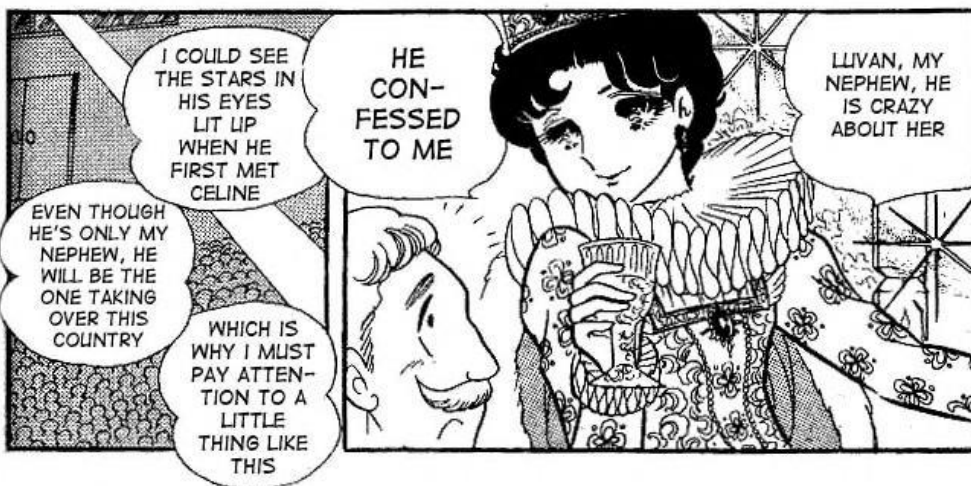
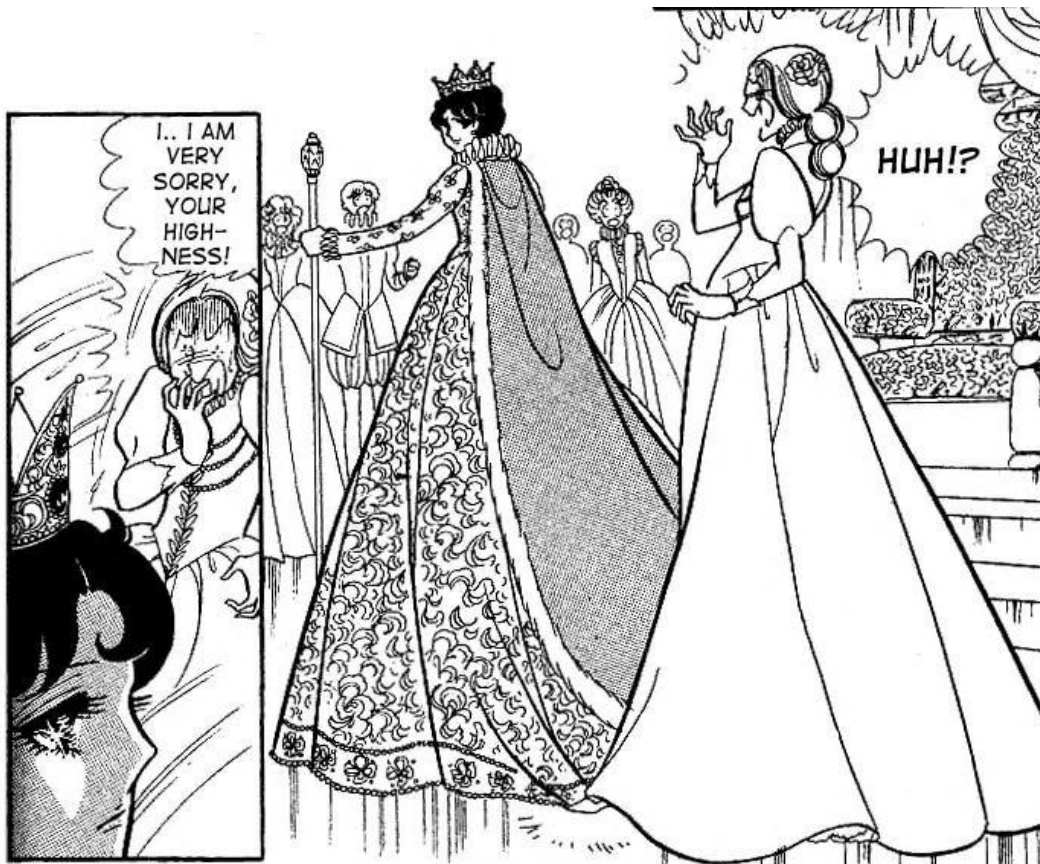
LIVE



HA HA HA

HEY, DONT BE NERVOUS IN FRONT OF THE QUEEN!







OF COURSE YOUR HIGHNESS!
THIS IS HER ONE CHANCE IN A LIFE-TIME!

WELL THEN, LET'S START MAKING ARRANGEMENTS!



IF YOU SAY SO, YOUR HIGHNESS..!

YOUR NIECE FULFILLS ALL THE REQUIREMENTS

HOWEVER, WILL SHE BE WILLING TO MARRY MY NEPHEW?

SHE HAS GOOD MANNERS, AND IS FROM A GOOD FAMILY.. SHE'LL FIT RIGHT IN WITH THE ROYAL FAMILY



THE CHARISMA SHE'S DISPLAYING AT THE MOMENT..

UNBELIEVABLE

MAYA IS REALLY.. ACTING AS THE QUEEN

IS UNLIKE HER REAL SELF AT ALL



COMPLETELY!

I LOST...