



BETH DOESN'T GO TO SCHOOL BECAUSE SHE'S VERY SHY..

WHAT SHOULD I DO TO UNDERSTAND HER MORE?

BETH, THE PROTAGONIST

HOW SHOULD I PLAY THIS ROLE?



..TO PLAY THE PIANO

BESIDES, THE OWNER ALWAYS WANTED SOMEONE..

DON'T WORRY, THERE'S NO ONE HERE..

BUT JO, THIS IS SOMEONE ELSE'S HOUSE!

C'MON BETH, LET'S GO INSIDE!

MAYA!

BETH: (STARTS TO WALK AWAY)

OOH, SUCH A BEAUTIFUL PIANO!

LOOK OVER THERE, BETH

BETH: (WALKS SLOWLY TOWARDS THE PIANO)

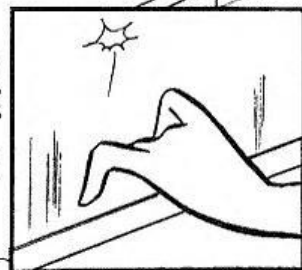


I'M SO-RRY

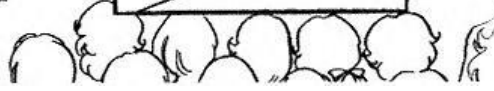
I'VE SAID IT AT LEAST SIX TIMES ALREADY!

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I TOLD YOU NOT TO DO IT LIKE THAT?

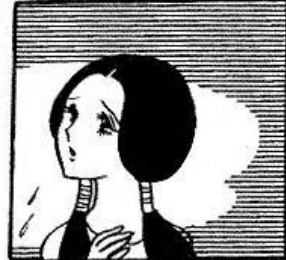
(THE SOUND ECHOES ACROSS THE ROOM)



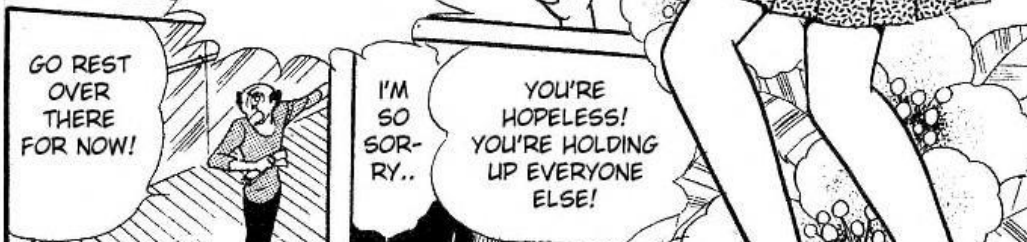
BETH: (HITS A KEY ON THE PIANO)



HEHEHE







THAT'S ENOUGH!

THAT OLD MR. LAURENCE GAVE HIS MUSIC BOOK TO ME?

THE WAY YOU SAID IT WAS TOTALLY WRONG!

GO REST OVER THERE FOR NOW!

I'M SO SORRY..

YOU'RE HOPELESS! YOU'RE HOLDING UP EVERYONE ELSE!

SAYAKA, AS OF NOW YOU PLAY AS BETH

OOPS, WRONG BOOK ..

..WAS ACTUALLY VERY NICE AND KIND!

THIS IS THE PART WHERE BETH FIRST REALIZED THAT THE OLD GRUMPY MAN..





AFTER THAT, IF YOU CAN PERFORM AS BETH FLAWLESSLY,

I'LL GIVE YOU ONE WEEK TO TRAIN YOURSELF

SENSEI, PLEASE.. I STILL WANT TO DO THIS..

I'LL TRY TO ACT BETTER

YOU WILL GET THE ROLE BACK

FINE, BUT WITH ONE CONDITION

IN ONE WEEK..

IF YOU STILL CAN'T ACT AS BETH, THEN YOU'RE OUT

I SHALL CONDUCT A CONTEST IN ONE WEEK'S TIME



WHEN YOU CLEAN,

YES, FROM THE TIME YOU WAKE UP IN THE MORNING 'TIL YOU GO BACK TO BED..

THIS IS BETH'S COSTUME WEAR THIS FOR A WEEK

YOU SHALL WALK AND TALK..

AS BETH

LIVE AS BETH?

SO YOU CAN LIVE AS BETH

WHEN YOU DO HOME-WORK, EVEN WHEN YOU EAT

WHEN YOU WATCH TV,



STARTING TOMORROW, YOU WILL LIVE AS BETH!

I WANT YOU TO ACT AS BETH FOR ONE WEEK!

YOU DON'T NEED TO ATTEND THE CLASSES

BETH IS TOO SHY TO GO TO SCHOOL

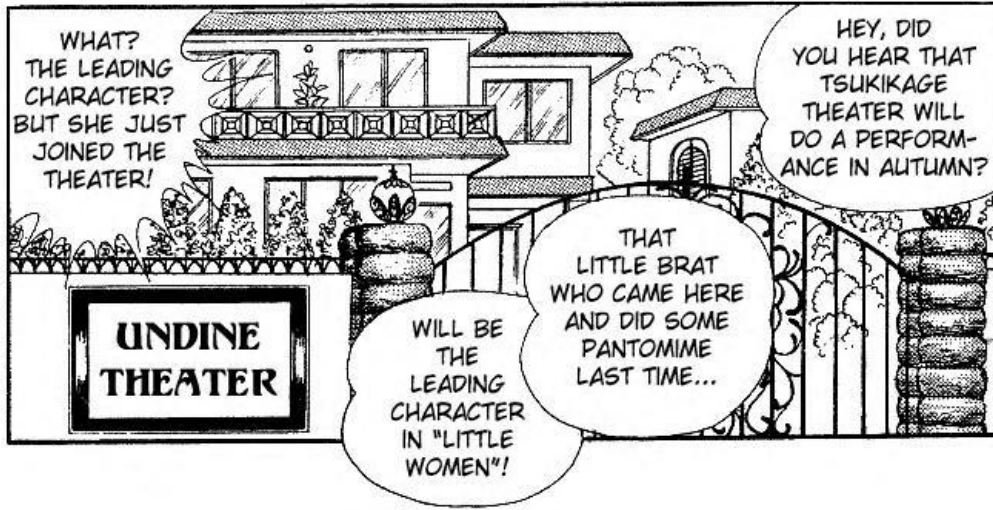
FOR ONE WEEK ...

LIVE AS BETH ...



WE SHALL SEE..

AFTER ONE WEEK, WE SHALL SEE IF YOU DESERVE THE ROLE AS BETH



WHAT? THE LEADING CHARACTER? BUT SHE JUST JOINED THE THEATER!

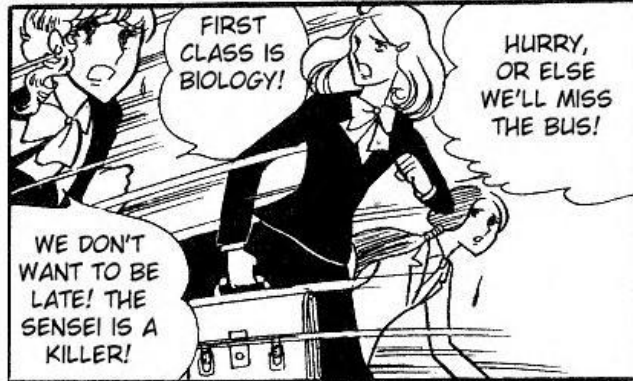
HEY, DID YOU HEAR THAT TSUKIKAGE THEATER WILL DO A PERFORMANCE IN AUTUMN?

UNDINE THEATER

WILL BE THE LEADING CHARACTER IN "LITTLE WOMEN"!

THAT LITTLE BRAT WHO CAME HERE AND DID SOME PANTOMIME LAST TIME...

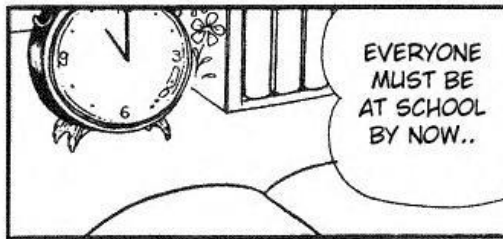




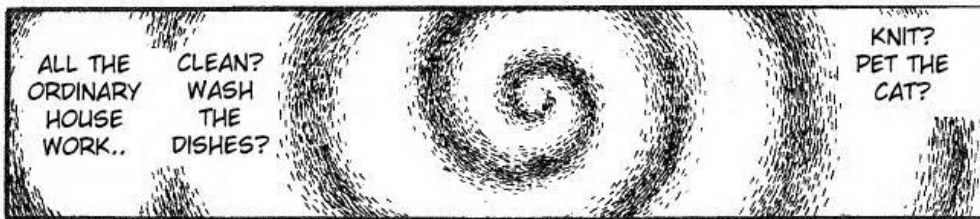


MY DAYS
LIVING AS
BETH HAVE
BEGUN!

FROM
NOW
ON..



WHAT DOES SHE DO WHEN NOBODY'S HOME?

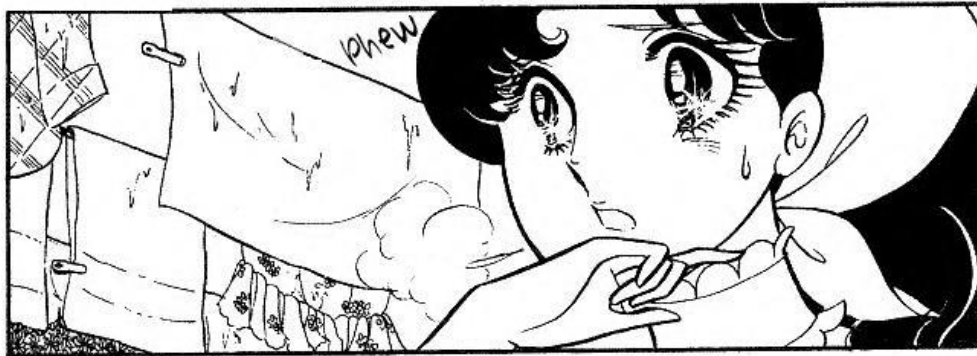
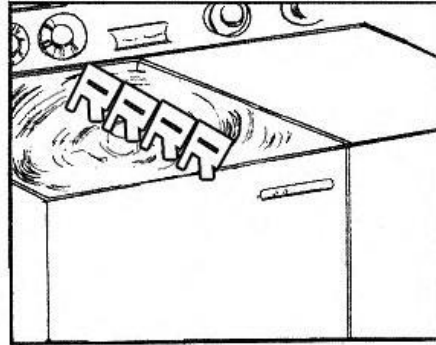


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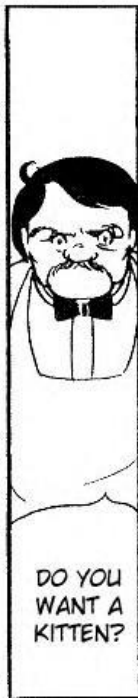


OOPS, MAYBE I TOOK A LITTLE TOO MUCH..



REALLY! CAN I REALLY HAVE ONE?

THREE BLOCKS FROM HERE, THERE'S A SHOP GIVING KITTENS AWAY FOR FREE



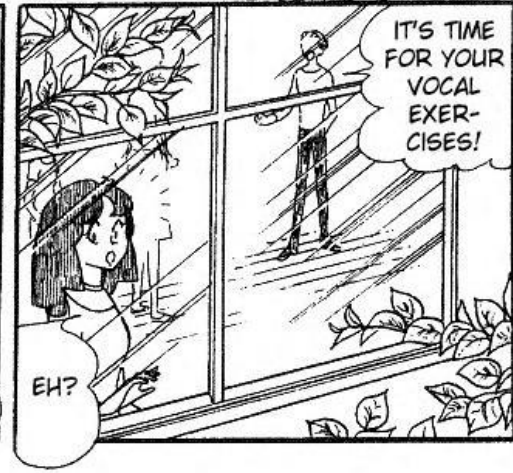
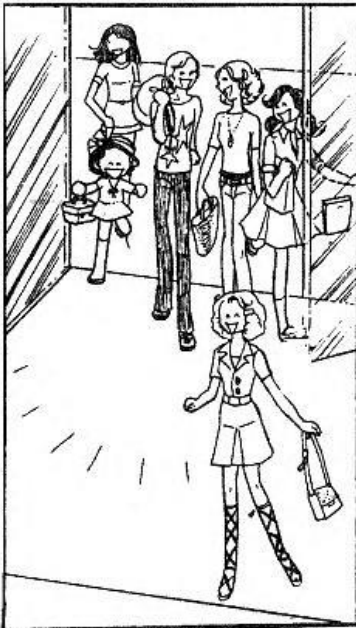
DO YOU WANT A KITTEN?

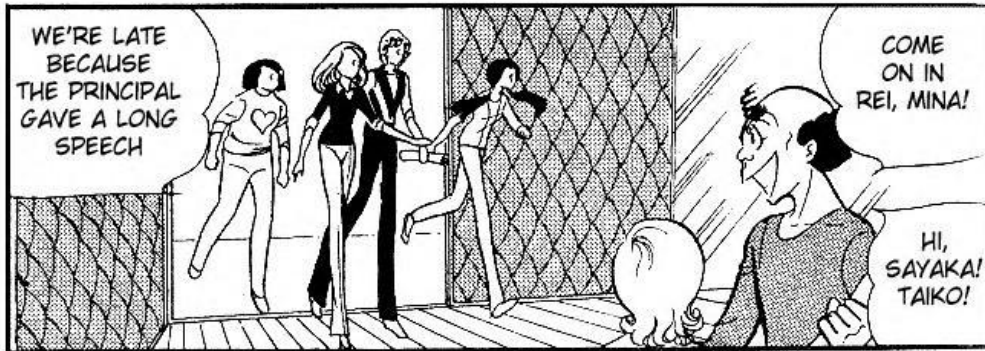


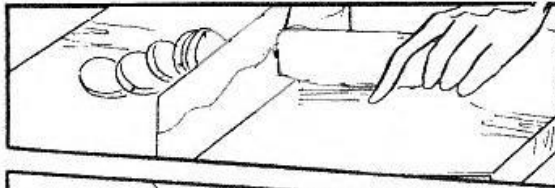
EVE-RY.. SINGLE DAY..



EVERYDAY IS LIKE THIS FOR BETH..

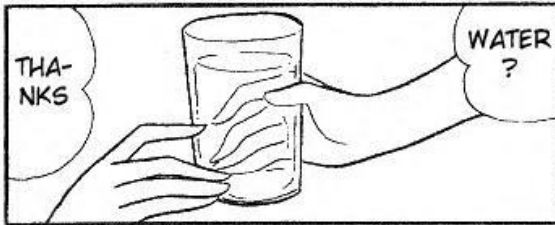






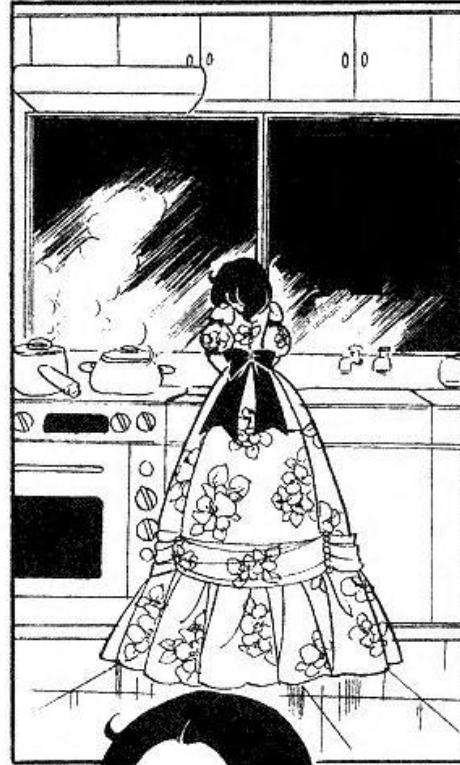
YEAH..
I'M A BIT
THIRSTY
NOW

HI
SAYA-
KA!
THE
PRACTICE
IS DONE?



THA-
NKS

WATER
?



SHE DIDN'T
LOOK LIKE
THIS WHEN WE
LEFT THIS
MORNING

WEIRD
GIRL..

SHE
LOOKS SO
CALM



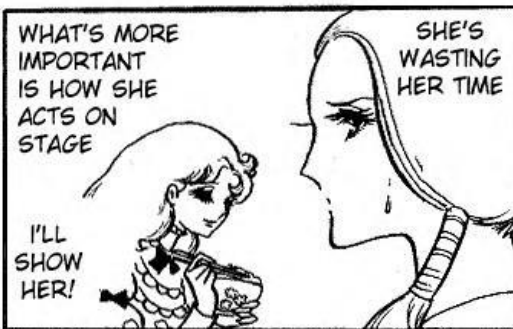
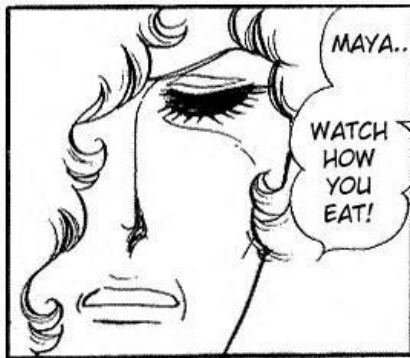
REALLY!

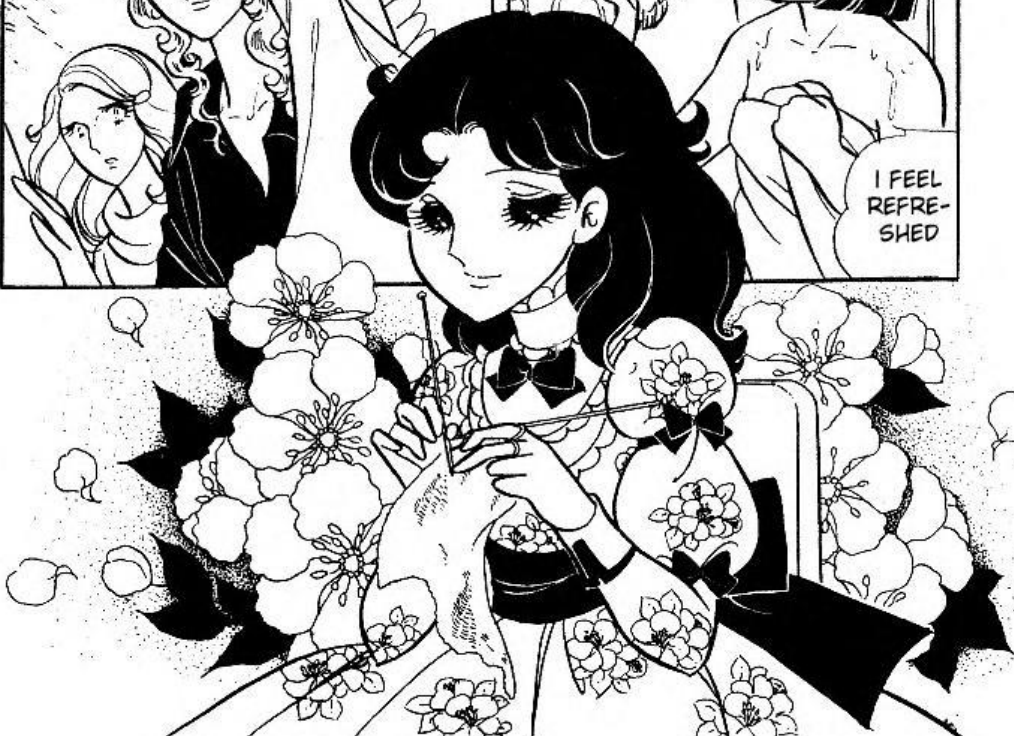
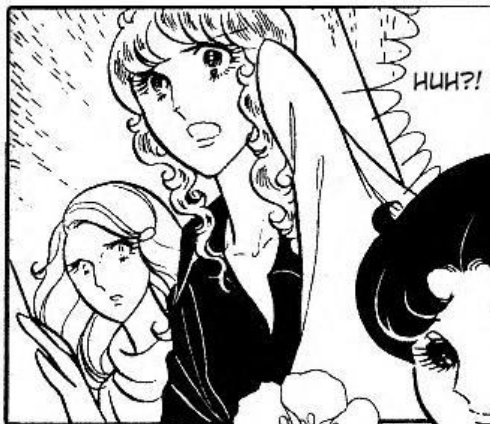
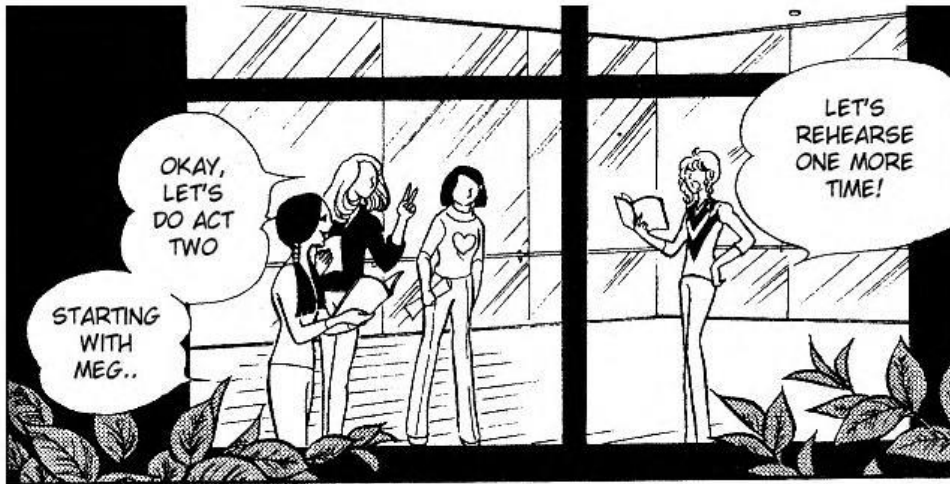
IT WAS
THAT
SOCIOLOGY
TEACHER!

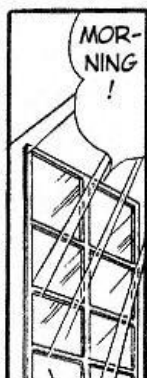
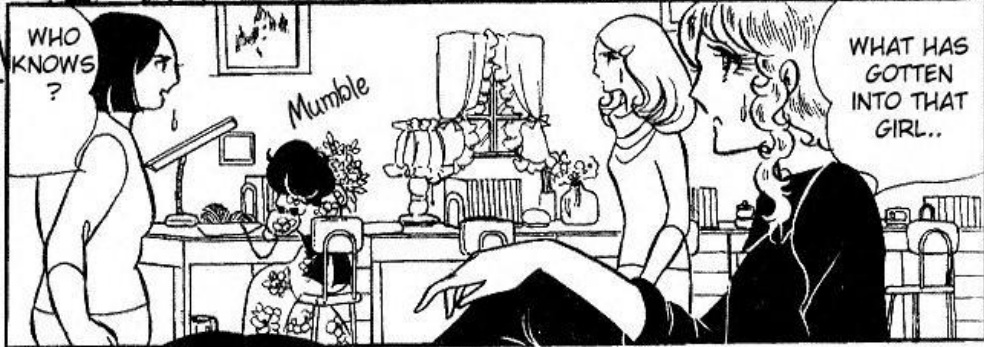
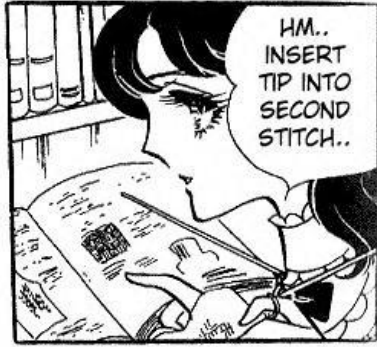
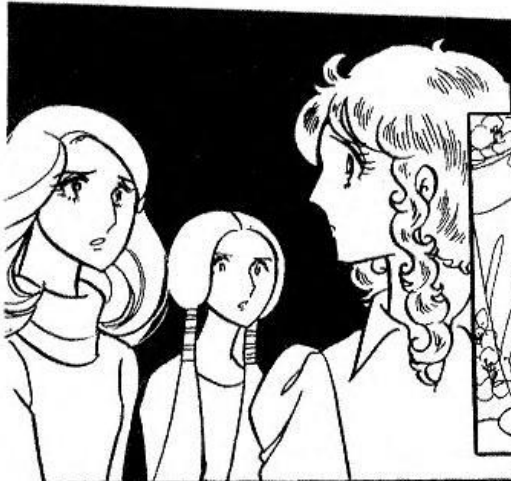


DINNER
IS
READY!

ENJOY
YOUR
MEAL!









AND SWEEP..
OR
WASH THE
DISHES!

LOOK
AT
HER!

ALL SHE
DOES IS
KNIT AND
PLAY WITH
HER CAT!



MAYBE
SHE WANTS
TO PLAY
A MAID'S
ROLE?



I NEVER
SEE ANY-
BODY..
I'VE ONLY
BEEN DOING
HOUSEWORK

I DON'T
GO TO
SCHOOL..

AND PLAY
WITH MY CUTE
LITTLE KITTY

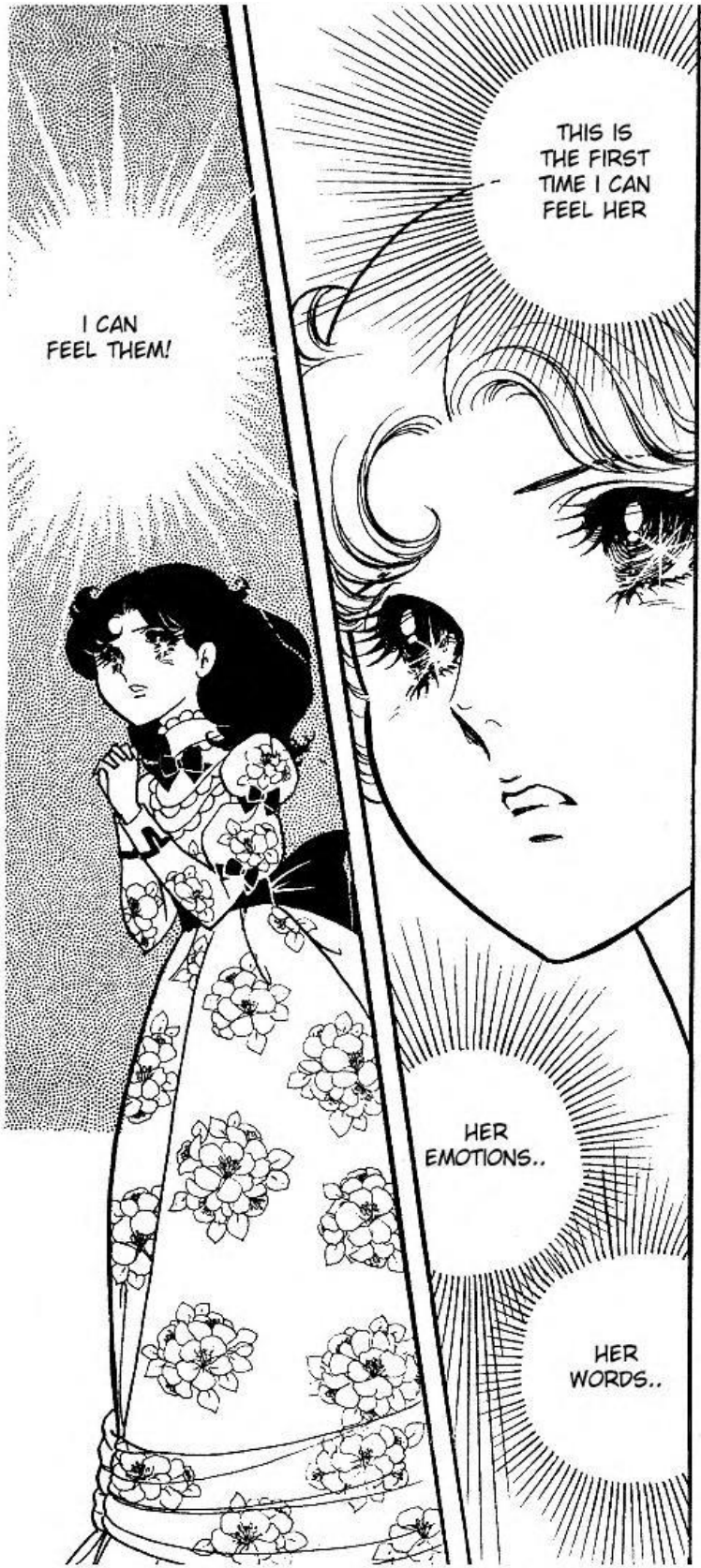


MAYBE..
HAVE I GONE
TOO FAR?



STRANGE..
WHEN I DO THIS,
I FEEL SO RELAXED
AND I CAN FORGET
EVERYTHING

I CAN
FORGET
ABOUT
THE STAGE..



I CAN FEEL THEM!

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I CAN FEEL HER

HER EMOTIONS..

HER WORDS..



SHE GOT THROUGH THE DAYS BY PLAYING PIANO OR KNITTING..

BETH..

SHE'S IN HER OWN WORLD WHERE NO ONE ELSE CAN ENTER

THAT'S RIGHT

THAT'S WHY SHE'S A SHY AND VERY SERIOUS PERSON

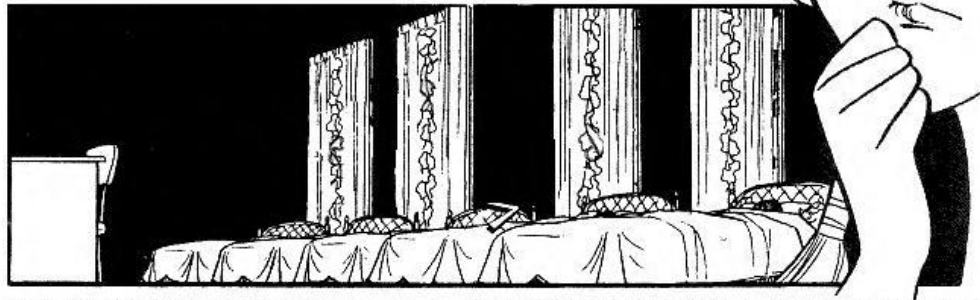




WHY IS SHE ONLY PLAYING AROUND ALL DAY?

WHY ISN'T SHE READING THE SCRIPT?

SHE WORRIES ME.. I CAN'T STAND IT!



HER BED IS COLD..

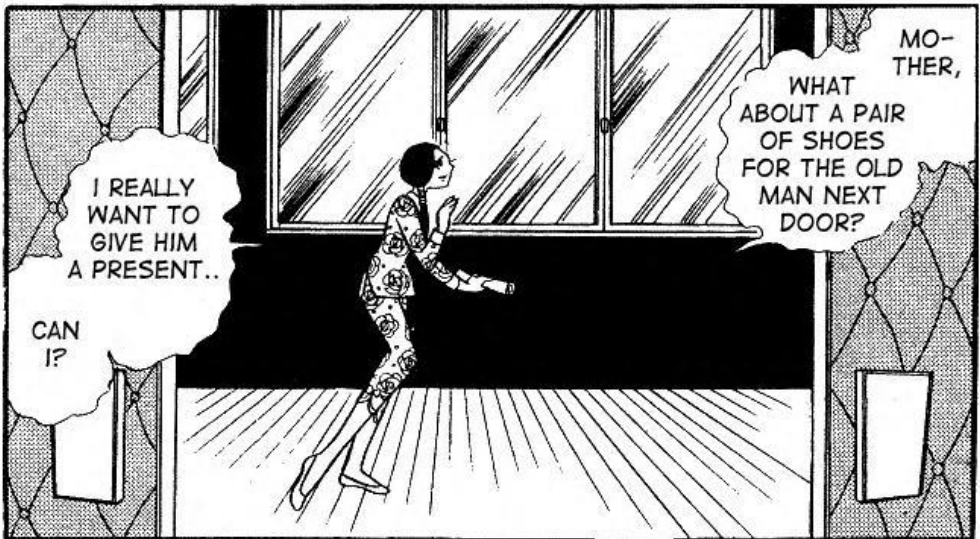
WHERE IS SHE?



SAYA-KA?



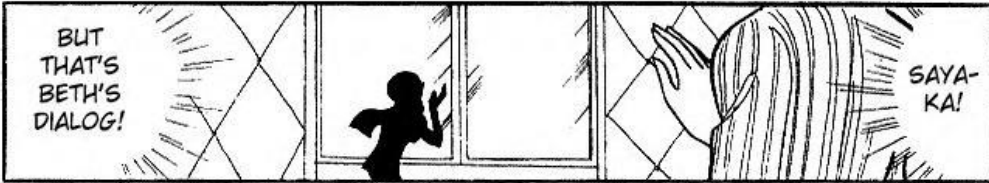
UM..



I REALLY WANT TO GIVE HIM A PRESENT..

CAN I?

MO-THER, WHAT ABOUT A PAIR OF SHOES FOR THE OLD MAN NEXT DOOR?



BUT THAT'S BETH'S DIALOG!

SAYA-KA!



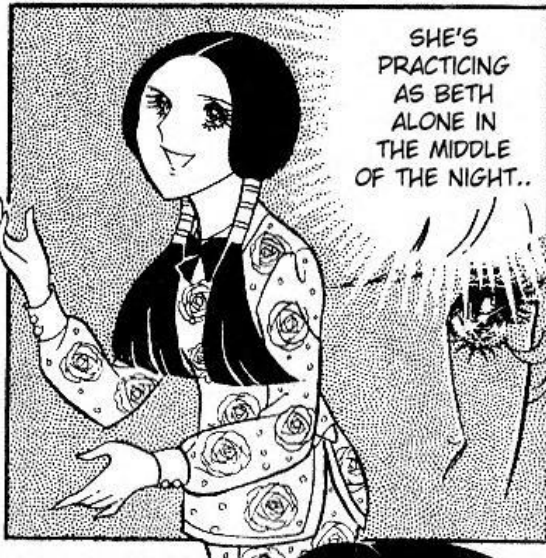
EVEN SO, THIS GIRL DOESN'T SEEM TO CARE..

WE DON'T KNOW IF SHE'S TALENTED..

OR STRONG-WILLED..



LOOKS LIKE THERE WILL BE A WAR..

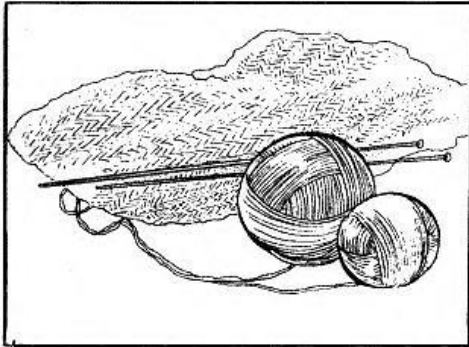


SHE'S PRACTICING AS BETH ALONE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT..



THE CONTEST FOR THE ROLE OF BETH IS LESS THAN THREE DAYS AWAY





AFTER ALL, SHE'S JUST A NORMAL GIRL



I'M PLAYING WITH THE CAT

WELCOME HOME!



...ARE YOU DOING..?



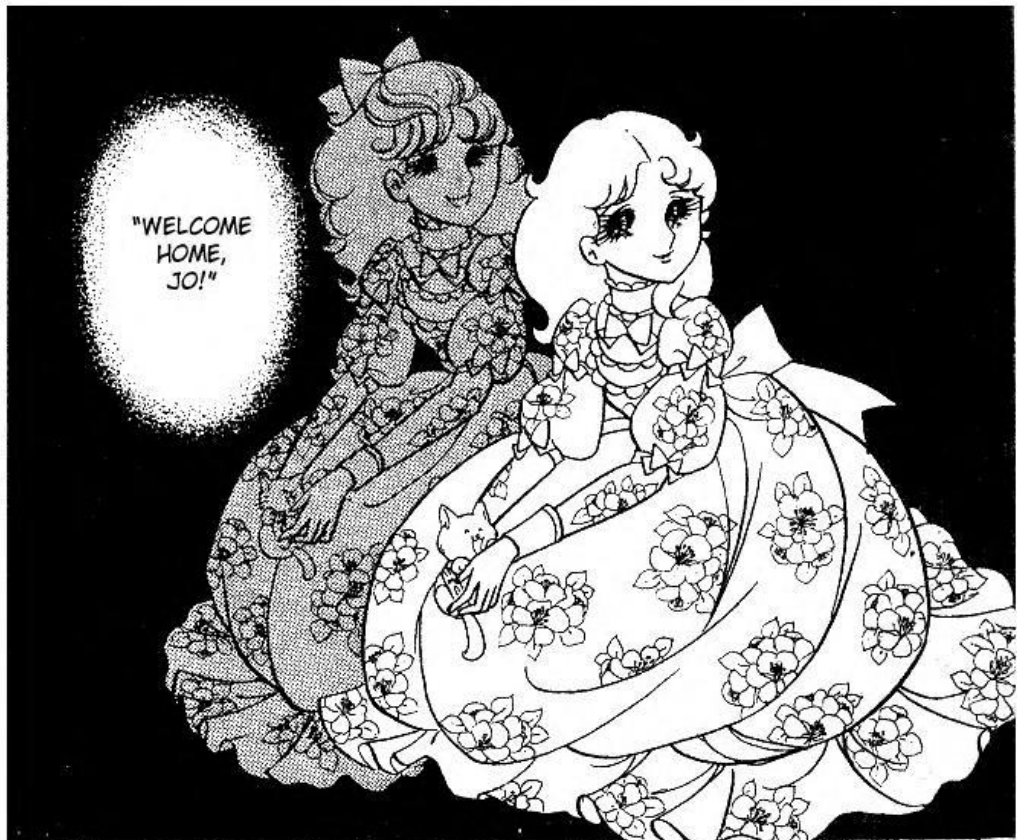
WHAT..



WE'RE BACK!

WE'RE HOME!

HUH?!



"WELCOME HOME, JO!"



REI!!
THERE'S
A GUEST!

REI!!
REI!!

PLEASE
COME
HERE!



EXCUSE ME,
CAN YOU
HELP ME?



UH?!



THE
PRACTICE IS
STARTING
SOON!

COME
ON,
REI!



YES,
CAN I
HELP
YOU?



**THIS GIRL
IS NOT
MAYA!**

**SHE'S
DIFFERENT..
THIS ISN'T
MAYA!**



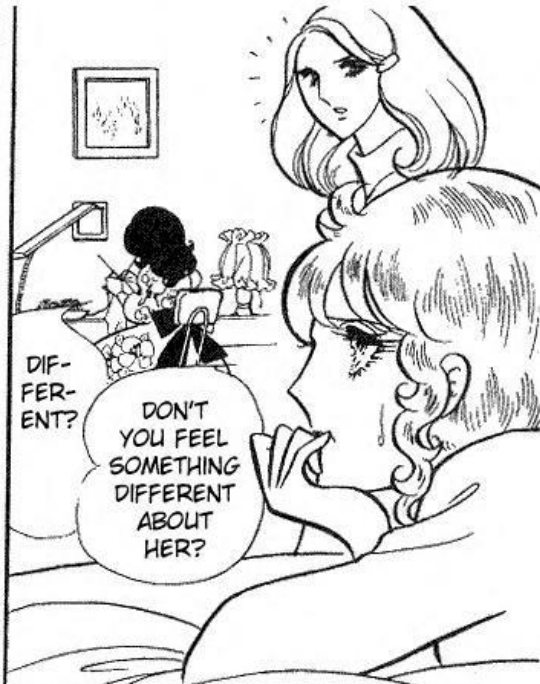
WHO IS
THE GIRL
STANDING
RIGHT
BEHIND
ME?

THEN
WHO IS
SHE?



THE REAL
MAYA
WOULD
NEVER HIDE
UPON
SEEING A
STRANGER

BUT IF
SHE'S
NOT
MAYA..





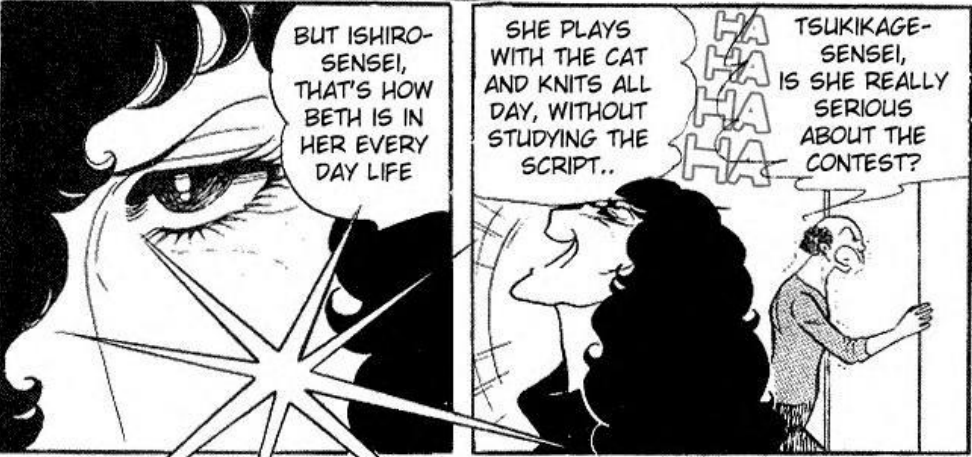
DOESN'T SHE REALIZE THAT TOMORROW IS THE CONTEST?

LOOK!

SHE'S BEEN KNITTING ALL DAY!

YEAH! TOMORROW IS GOING TO BE FUN!

I'M CURIOUS TO SEE WHAT SHE'S GOING TO DO

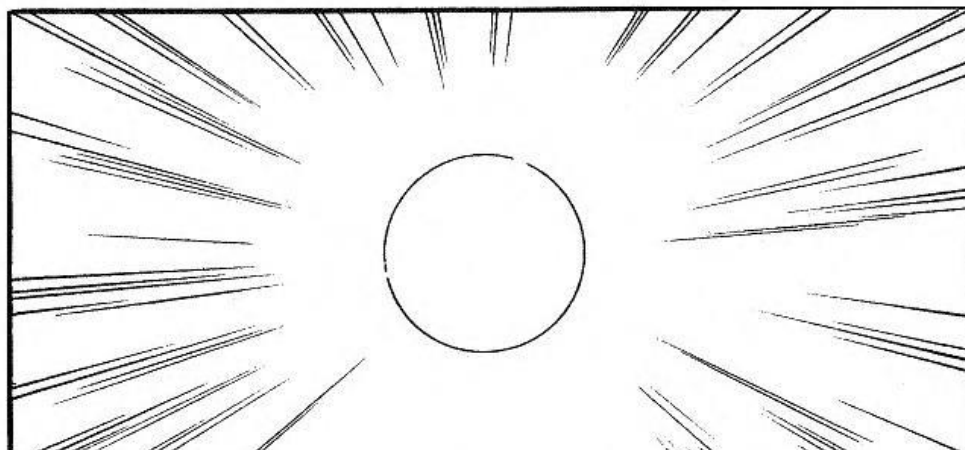


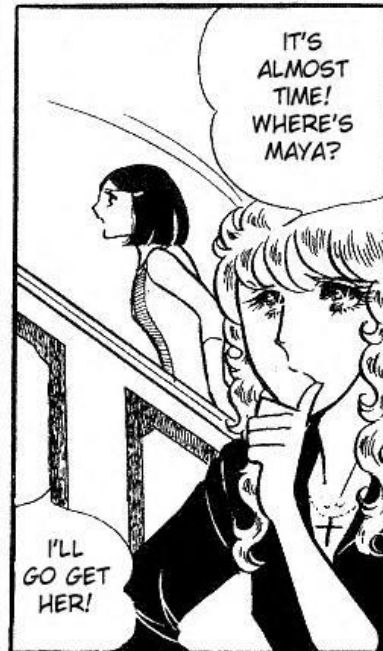
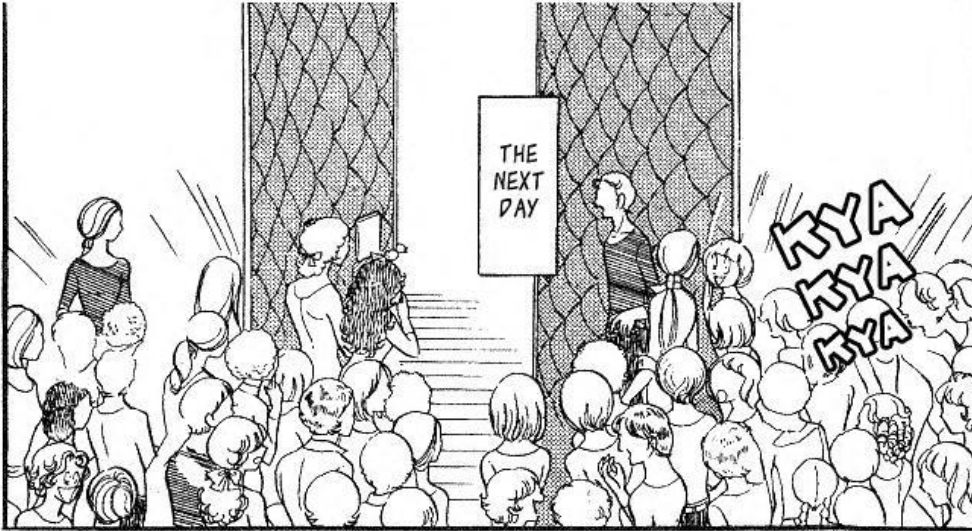
BUT ISHIRO-SENSEI, THAT'S HOW BETH IS IN HER EVERY DAY LIFE

SHE PLAYS WITH THE CAT AND KNITS ALL DAY, WITHOUT STUDYING THE SCRIPT..

HA HA HA HA

TSUKIKAGE-SENSEI, IS SHE REALLY SERIOUS ABOUT THE CONTEST?

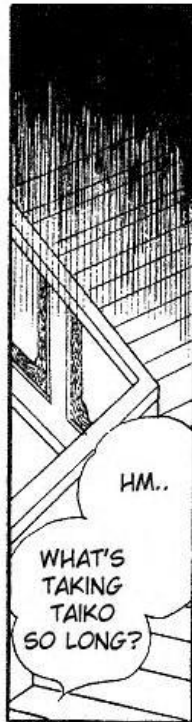






AH!

TAP
TAP



HM..

WHAT'S
TAKING
TAIKO
SO LONG?



Hmpf

HOW CAN
SHE JUST
SIT THERE
AND KNIT..?



CLICK
CLICK



SHE HAS
A SERENE
LOOK ON
HER FACE

SHE'S
STILL BUSY
KNITTING..



SHE
DIDN'T
ANSWER..
BUT..

WHEN
I CALLED
HER,



SHE..

BUT
WHAT?



WHAT'S
WRONG?
YOU
LOOK
PALE..

WHE-
RE'S
MAYA
?

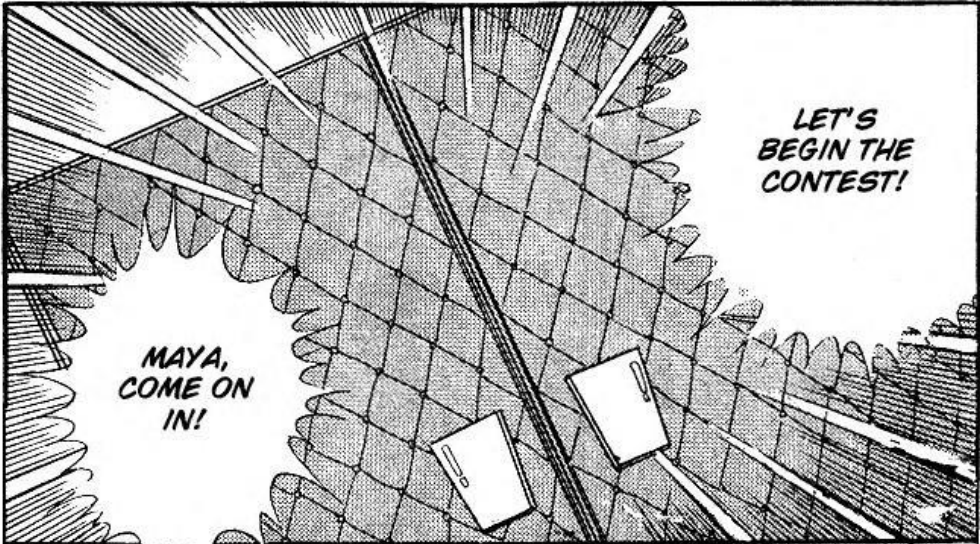


TAP

TAP



SHE ANSWERED WHEN I CALLED HER "BETH"..



MAYA, COME ON IN!

LET'S BEGIN THE CONTEST!