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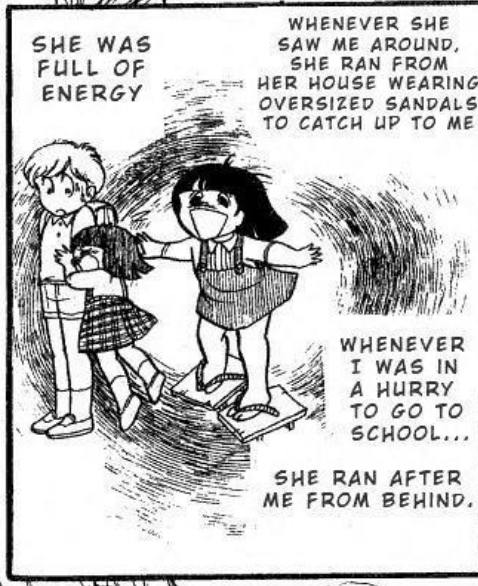
WHO USED
TO CHASE
AFTER ME

WHEN I WAS LITTLE,
THERE WAS THIS
YOUNGER GIRL
WHO WAS MY
NEIGHBOUR, WITH
A SMALL BODY



ONE DAY
WHEN
SHE WAS
CHASING
ME...

SHE GOT
HIT BY A
CAR AND
PASSED
AWAY



SHE WAS
FULL OF
ENERGY

WHENEVER SHE
SAW ME AROUND,
SHE RAN FROM
HER HOUSE WEARING
OVERSIZED SANDALS
TO CATCH UP TO ME

WHENEVER
I WAS IN
A HURRY
TO GO TO
SCHOOL...

SHE RAN AFTER
ME FROM BEHIND.



YOU
REMINDE
ME OF
HER

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YOU'RE FULL OF SPIRIT AND SO SERIOUS WHEN YOU ARE CONCENTRATING ON SOMETHING. YOUR INNOCENCE ALSO REMINDS ME OF HER.

THATS WHY I WANT TO BE CLOSE TO YOU.



I CAN BE MYSELF...

NOT SATOMI SHIGERU THE TEEN IDOL

MY LINES DURING THE SHOOTING MIGHT SOUND RUDE, BUT I FEEL SO RELAXED WHEN I'M WITH YOU

I DON'T HAVE TO PRETEND TO BE ANYONE



BE YOURSELF. THERE'S NO NEED TO PRETEND TO BE SOMEONE ELSE

I WANT OUR RELATIONSHIP TO BE BASED ON THAT

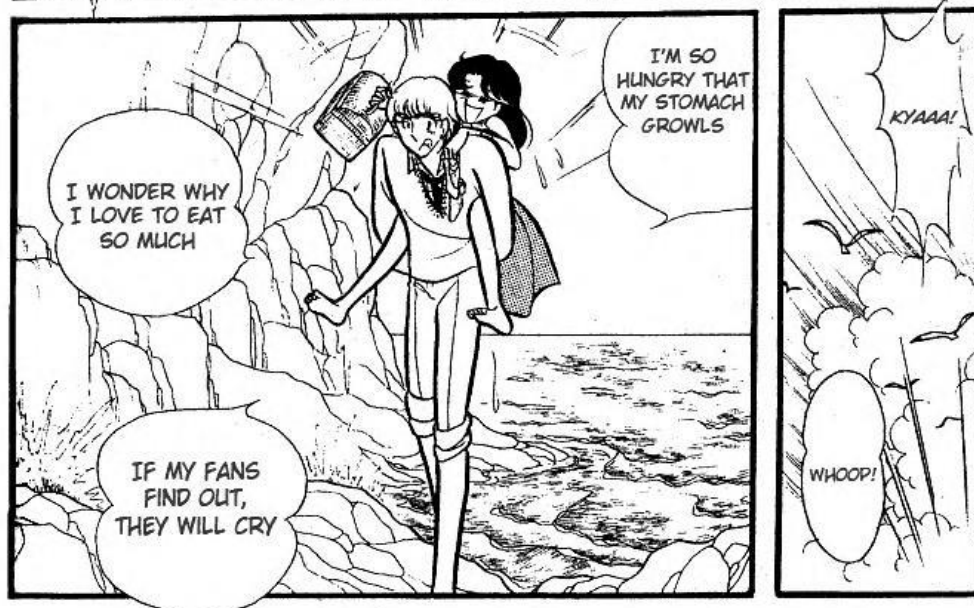
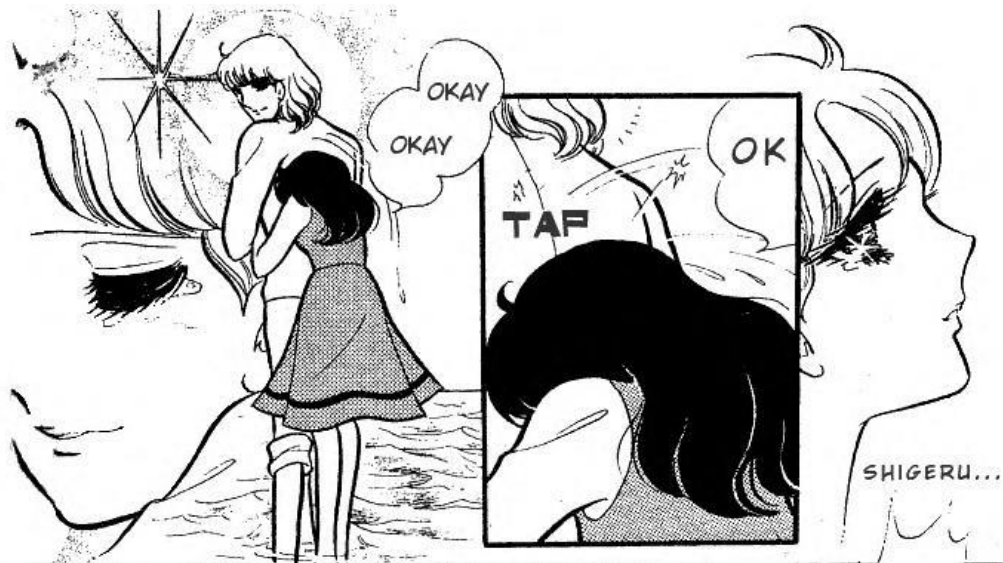
IF YOU FEEL TIRED OF ME, IT MEANS YOU DON'T REALLY LOVE ME

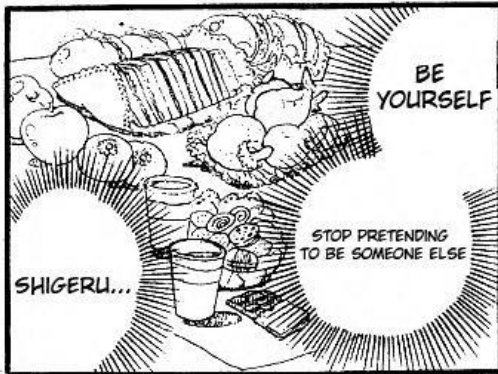
BUT I WILL BE THERE FOR YOU

YOU'RE SO ORDINARY

I LIKE THE REAL YOU

YOU HAVE TO PUSH YOURSELF TOO, RIGHT?





BE YOURSELF

STOP PRETENDING TO BE SOMEONE ELSE

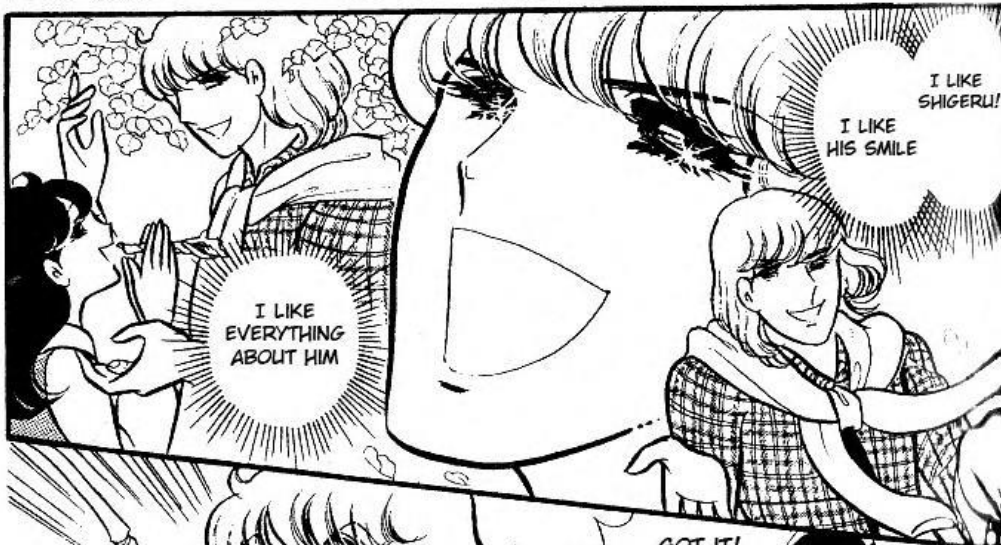
SHIGERU...



HA HA HA HA

I HAVE TO APPEAR NICE AND POLITE ON TV, RIGHT?

I CAN'T EVEN SHOW THEM MY HUNGRY FACE



I LIKE EVERYTHING ABOUT HIM

I LIKE SHIGERU!

I LIKE HIS SMILE



GOT IT! GOT IT! THIS MUST BE A BIG ONE!

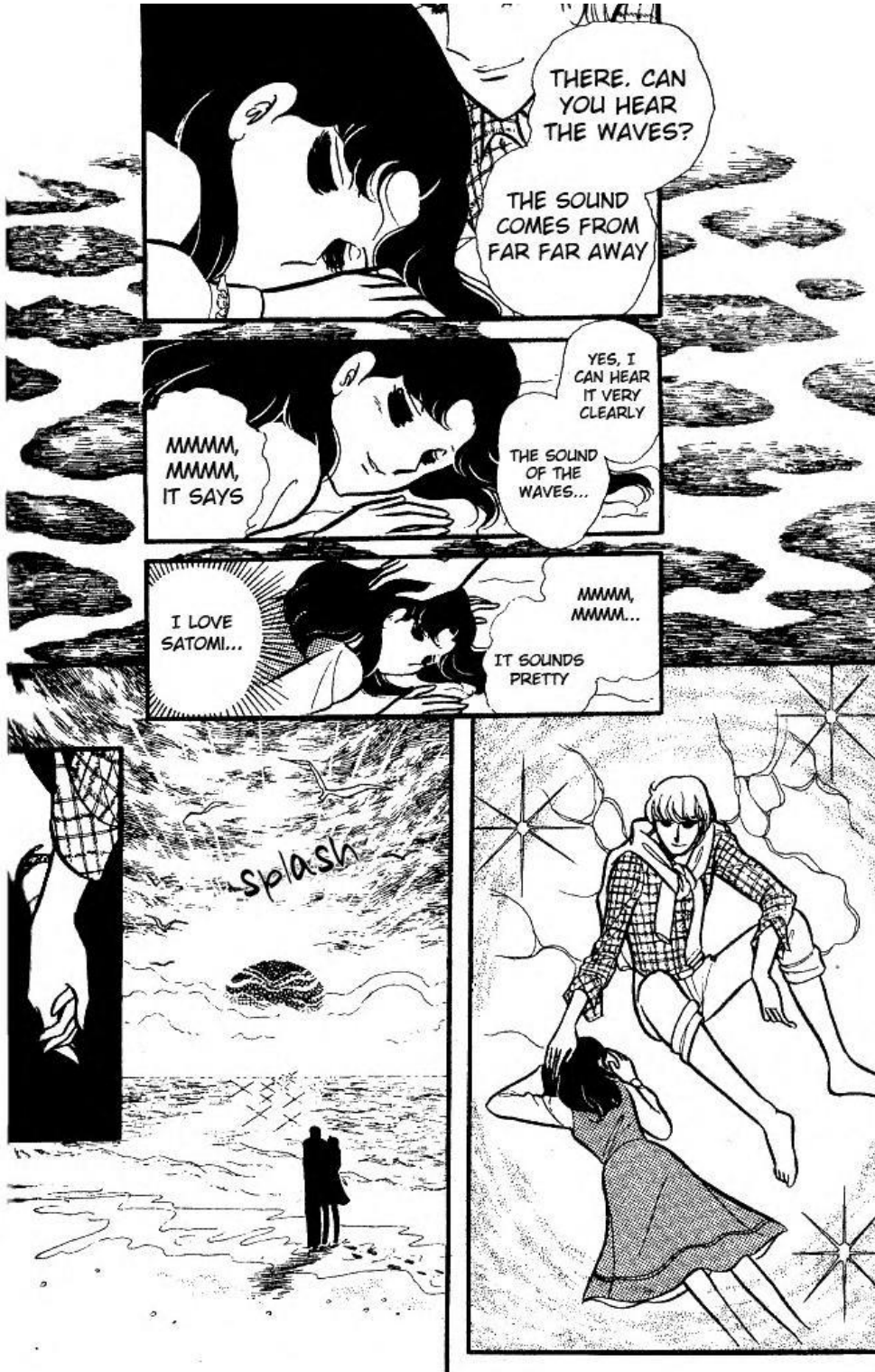
WAAAAH!! THEY TOOK MY FISHING POLE!!

UH, HE'S SO DIFFERENT IN REALITY

MAYA! I REALLY LOVE BATTERED DEEP-FRIED FISH

DON'T LET GO,

OH NO! OUR SAND CASTLE IS RUINED!



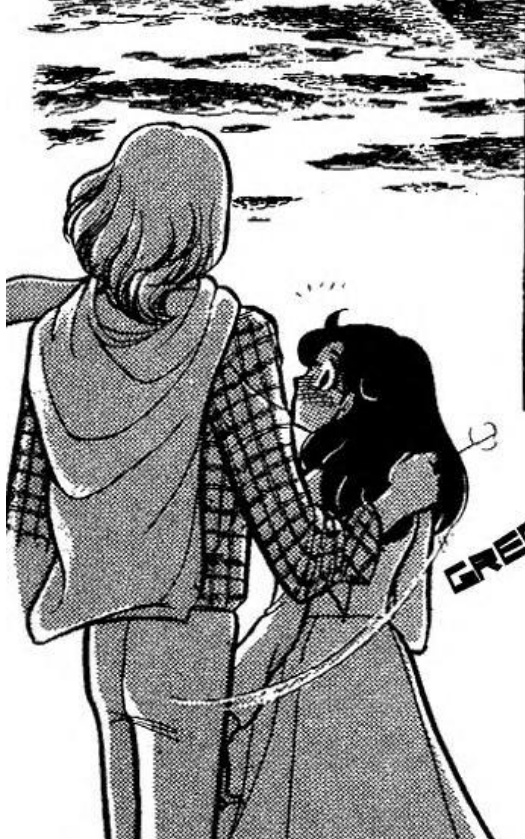
THERE. CAN YOU HEAR THE WAVES?
THE SOUND COMES FROM FAR FAR AWAY

MMMM, MMMM, IT SAYS
YES, I CAN HEAR IT VERY CLEARLY
THE SOUND OF THE WAVES...

I LOVE SATOMI...
MMMM, MMMM...
IT SOUNDS PRETTY

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Starburst effects





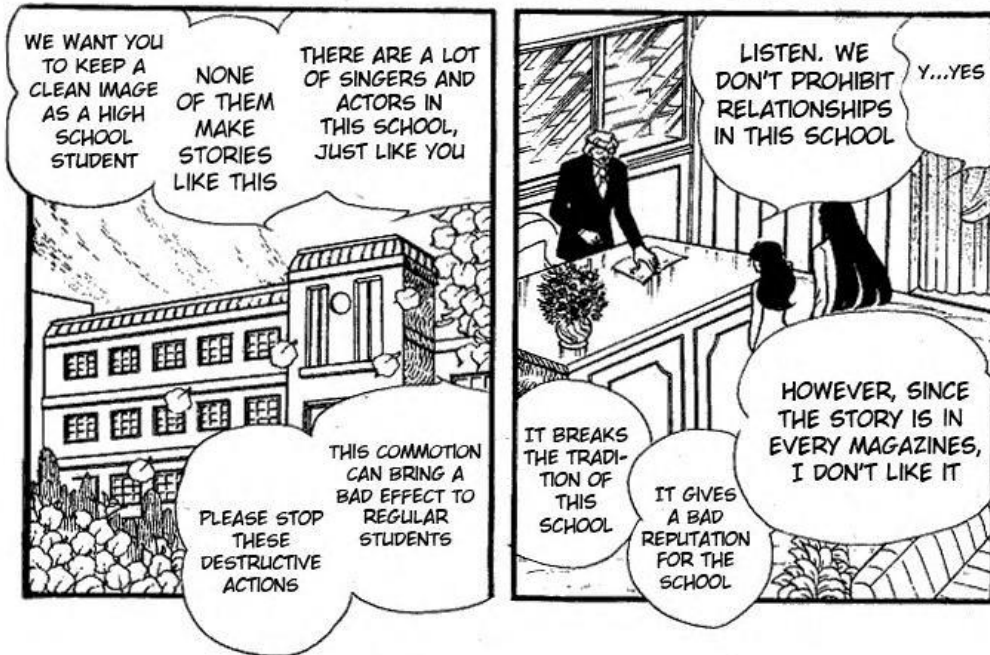
IT'S SUNSET...

WHEN WILL YOU HAVE A BREAK NEXT, MAYA?



DO YOU HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH SATOMI SHIGERU?

IS THIS ARTICLE TRUE?



WE WANT YOU TO KEEP A CLEAN IMAGE AS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

NONE OF THEM MAKE STORIES LIKE THIS

THERE ARE A LOT OF SINGERS AND ACTORS IN THIS SCHOOL, JUST LIKE YOU

LISTEN. WE DON'T PROHIBIT RELATIONSHIPS IN THIS SCHOOL

Y...YES

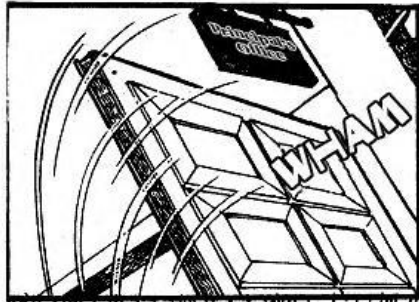
PLEASE STOP THESE DESTRUCTIVE ACTIONS

THIS COMMOTION CAN BRING A BAD EFFECT TO REGULAR STUDENTS

IT BREAKS THE TRADITION OF THIS SCHOOL

IT GIVES A BAD REPUTATION FOR THE SCHOOL

HOWEVER, SINCE THE STORY IS IN EVERY MAGAZINES, I DON'T LIKE IT



WE WILL BE MORE CAREFUL FROM NOW ON

WE'RE SO SORRY



YOU WENT ON A DATE WITH SHIGERU, RIGHT? HOW WAS IT?

CHATTER

WHAT DID HE TELL YOU?



MAYA, THEY WANT TO HAVE YOUR AUTOGRAPH

THEY ARE FANS OF SATOKO



LET US KNOW!

IS HE KIND?

HOW DOES IT FEEL TO BE HIS GIRLFRIEND?

LIHM.. LIH..

CLASS WILL BE STARTING SOON!

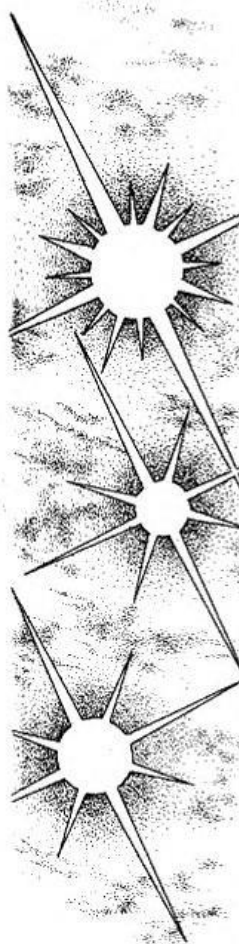


THEN YOU GET SHIGERU

HOW NICE. YOU DIDN'T EVEN HAVE ANY BOYFRIEND

HOW NICE! I'M SO JEALOUS!

HE'S THREE YEARS OLDER THAN YOU. IT'S A PERFECT MATCH





LOOK AT SHIGERU AND KITAJIMA MAYA! THEY'RE SO CLOSE!

LET ME SHOW YOU HOW TO HOLD IT

HERE...



COOL! I HAVE A SCENE WITH A GUN TOO

HOW DO I LOOK I N THIS WESTERN OUTFIT? I HAVE TO PRACTICE SHOOTING SOON



TAKE CARE

DON'T PUSH YOURSELF TOO HARD

YOU TOO

COME TO MY HOUSE LATER. MY MOM WANTS TO MEET YOU

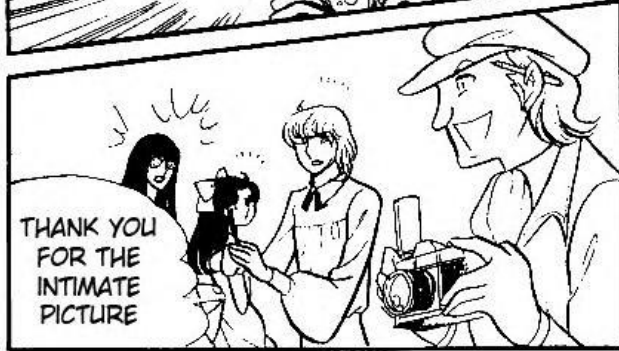
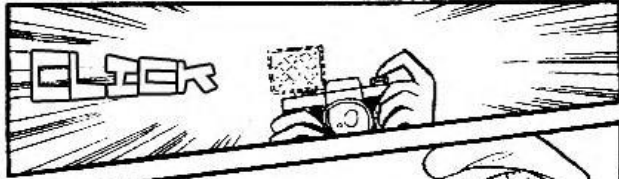
I'M SORRY, SHIGERU

MAYA STILL HAS A LOT TO DO.

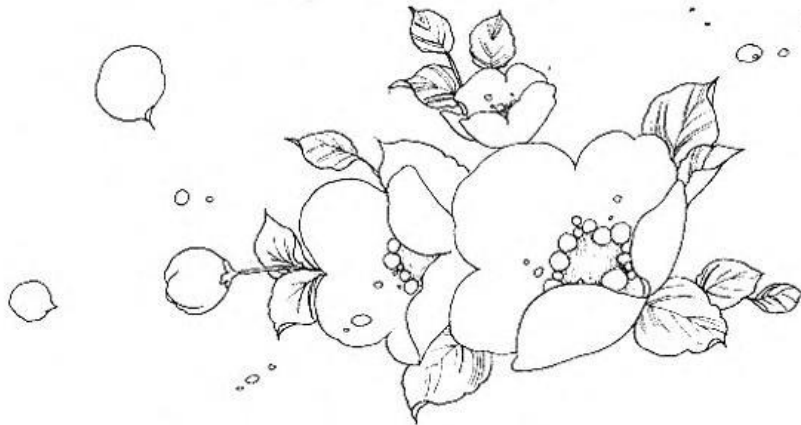
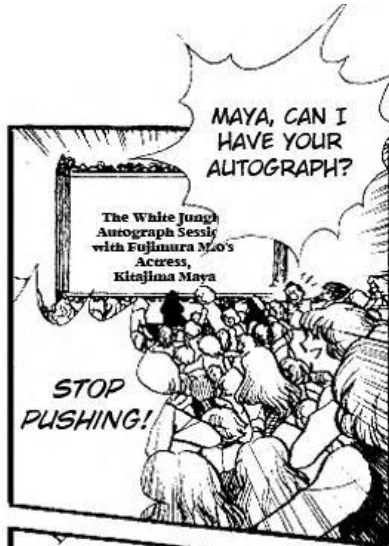
LET'S GO, MAYA

GRAB

AH









THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

CLAP CLAP CLAP

CLAP CLAP

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM DAITO. THE NEXT PLAY, SHANGRILA, WILL BE HELD IN THE DAITO BUILDING IN SEPTEMBER

THE MAIN LEAD: KITAJIMA MAYA THE IMMORTAL GIRL: MIKO RYRA

IF YOU WANT TO SOCIALIZE WITH THE JAPANESE, THEN YOU SHOULD KNOW HOW TO GREET THEM IN JAPANESE!

THAT'S WRONG! ONE MORE TIME!



HA...JI...ME... MA...SHI...TE...

OKAY! HAJIMEMASHITE*!

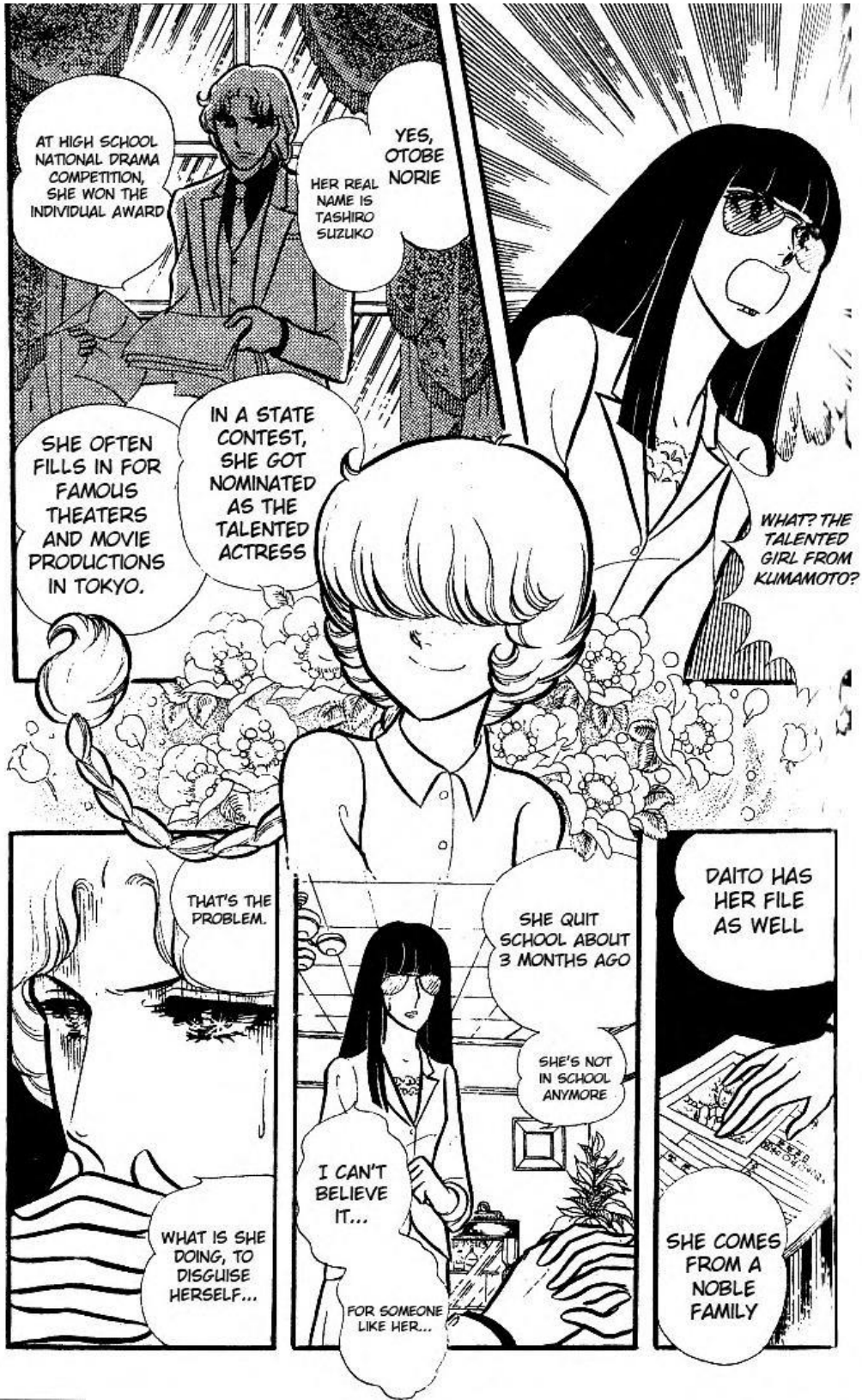
THE JAPANESE HAVE GREAT PRIDE

LOWER YOUR WAIST

LOWER YOUR HEAD TOO!

*Translation: Nice to meet you





AT HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL DRAMA COMPETITION, SHE WON THE INDIVIDUAL AWARD

YES, OTOBE NORIE
HER REAL NAME IS TASHIRO SUZUKO

SHE OFTEN FILLS IN FOR FAMOUS THEATERS AND MOVIE PRODUCTIONS IN TOKYO.

IN A STATE CONTEST, SHE GOT NOMINATED AS THE TALENTED ACTRESS

WHAT? THE TALENTED GIRL FROM KUMAMOTO?

THAT'S THE PROBLEM.

WHAT IS SHE DOING, TO DISGUISE HERSELF...

SHE QUIT SCHOOL ABOUT 3 MONTHS AGO

SHE'S NOT IN SCHOOL ANYMORE

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...

FOR SOMEONE LIKE HER...

DAITO HAS HER FILE AS WELL

SHE COMES FROM A NOBLE FAMILY



I CAN'T BELIEVE IT



FULL OF JUSTICE...



TEN NO KAGAYAKI...



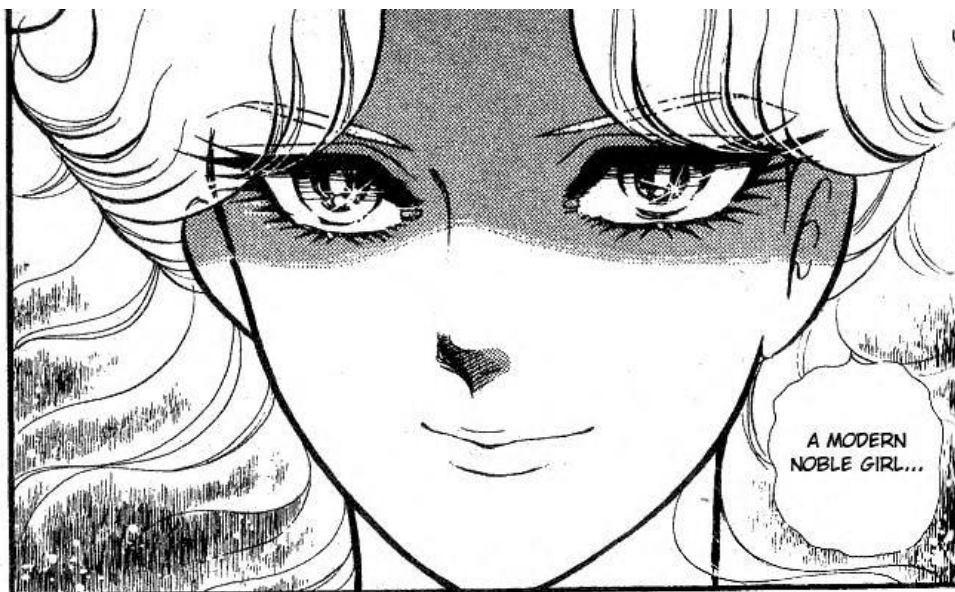
TANJIMA SATOKO...



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OPEN-MINDED...

BRAVE, CHEERFUL...

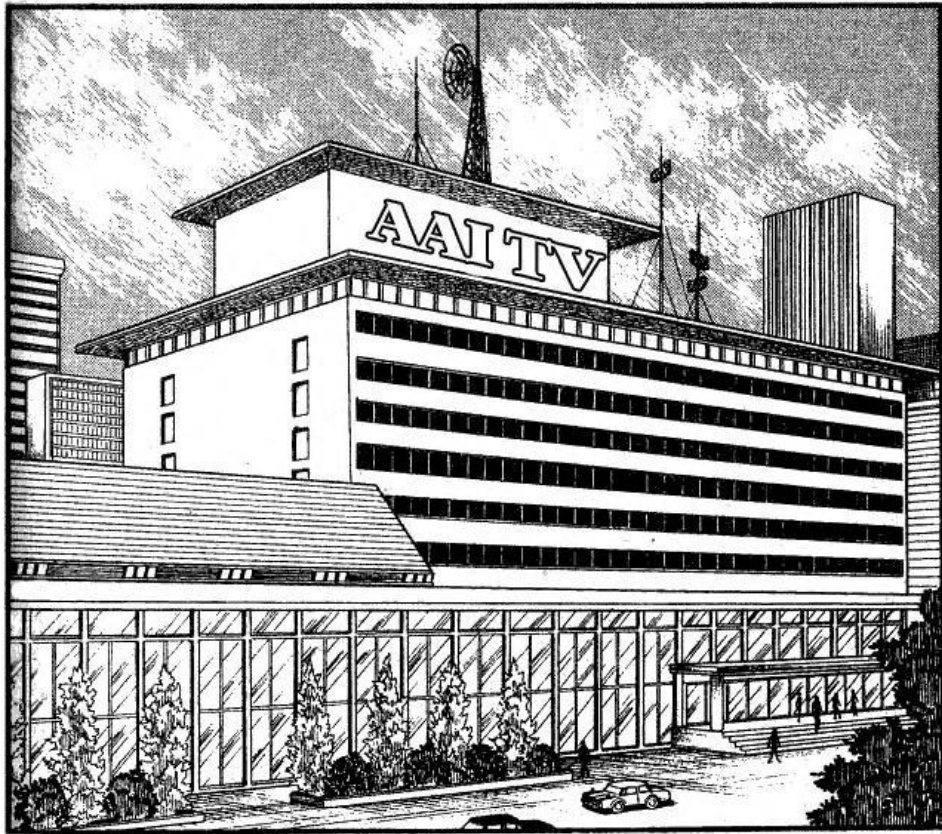


A MODERN
NOBLE GIRL...



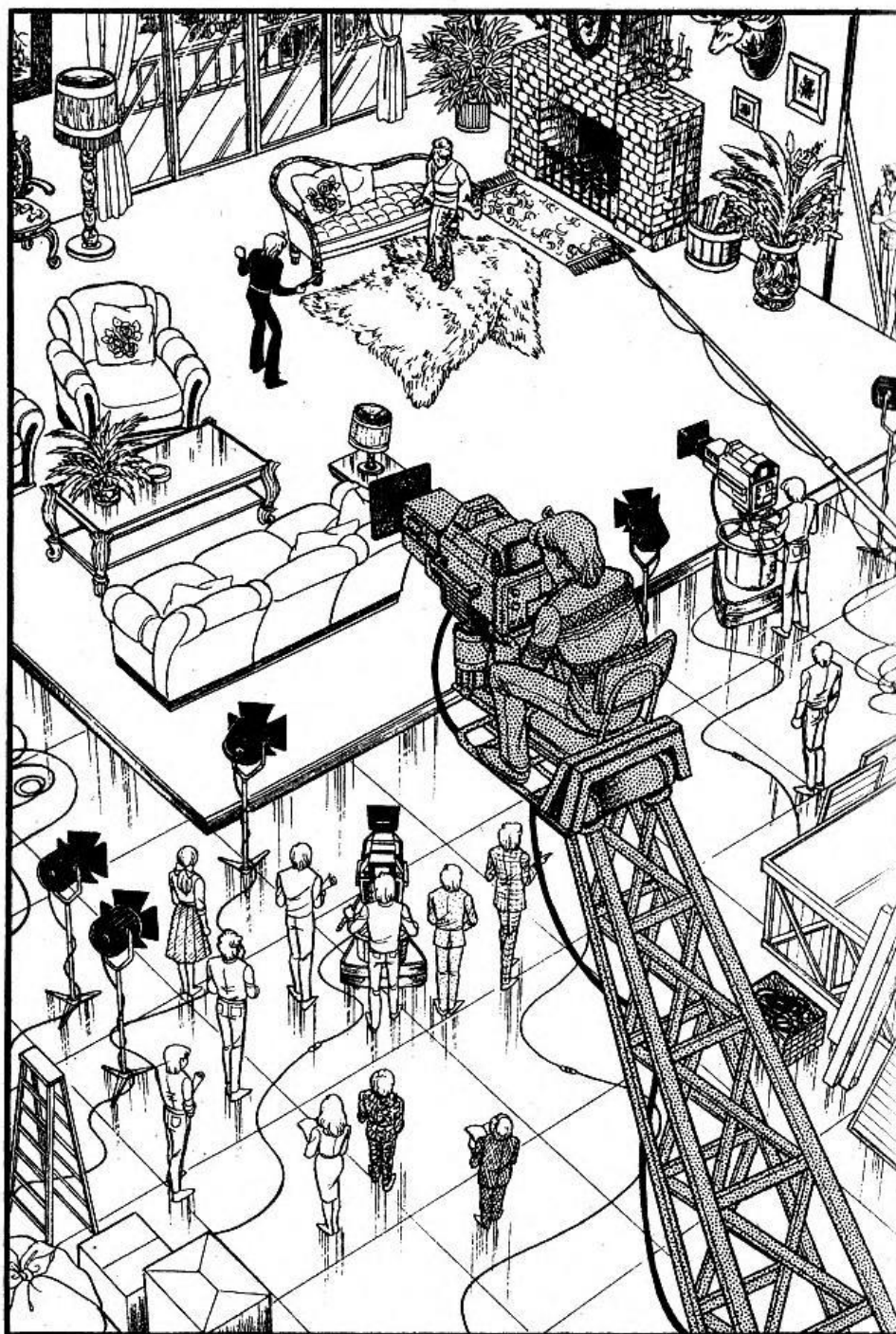
THIS IS ME,
TANUMA
SATOKO

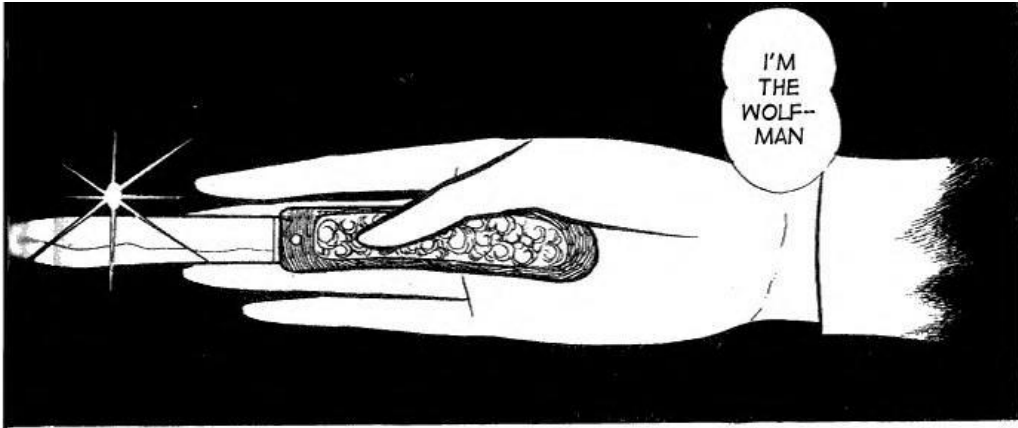
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The Wolfman





I'M THE WOLF-MAN



THIS IS FOR YOUR HUSBAND

MY FATHER! UNTIL I FIND HIS MURDERER..



AND UNTIL I CAN EXPOSE ALL THE DIRTY WORKS HAPPENING IN THIS CITY!!



RELAX.. I WON'T TELL ANYONE THAT I'M YOUR SON



MY SPIRIT IS WITHIN THE GRASS FIELD..

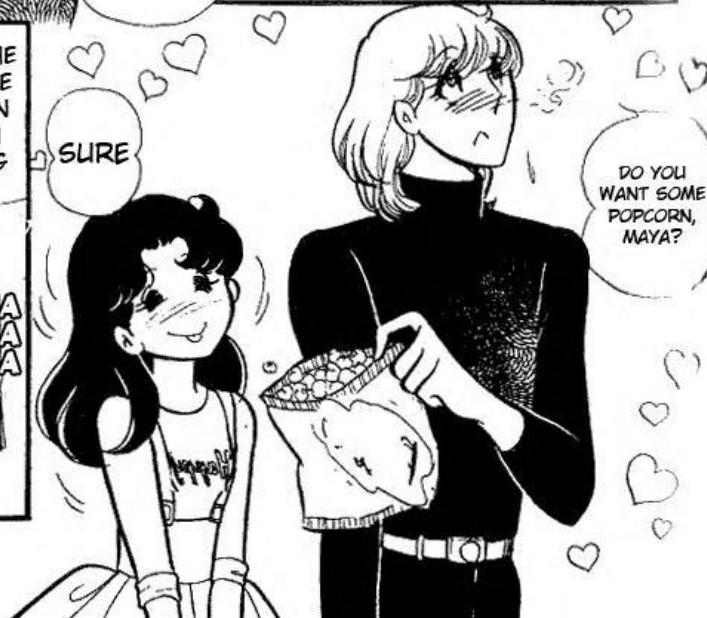
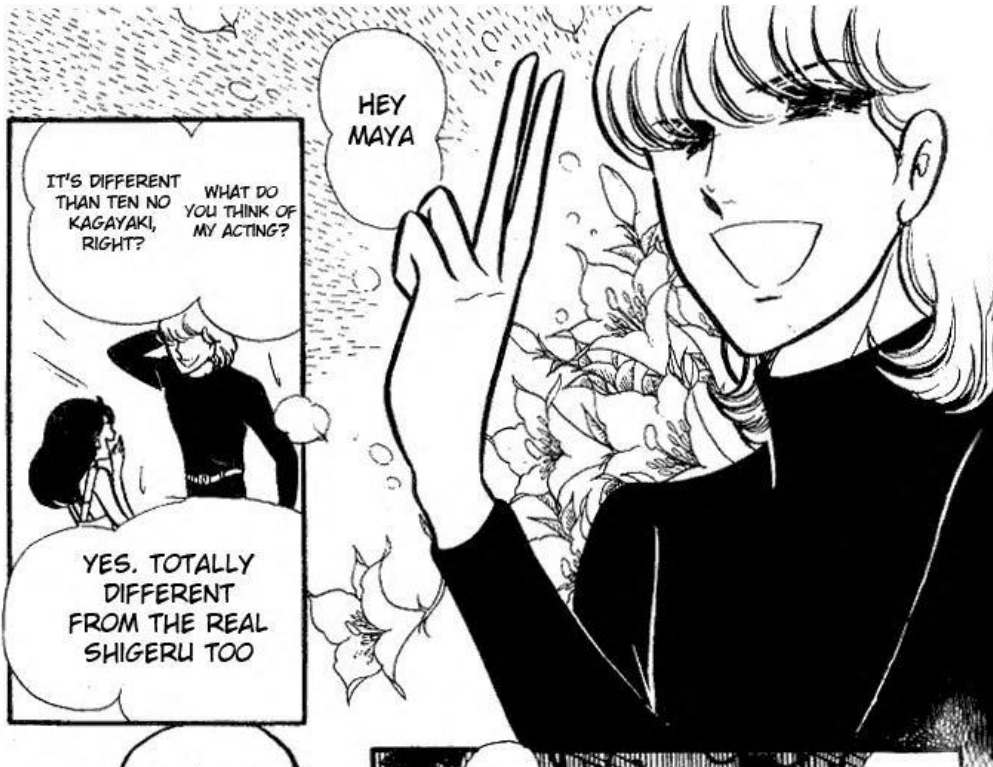


I SHARP-ENED MY FANGS FOR PROTECTION

HEH HEH HEH..



OK. CUT!





LET ME WALK YOU DOWNSTAIRS

AH



WHAT'S COMING UP NEXT AFTER THE CONFESSION? HERE ARE OUR LOVERS

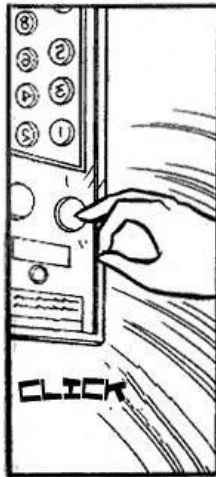


YES, SHOOTING AT MBA

SO SOON? MAYA, IT'S TIME TO GO



CLICK
CLICK



CLICK

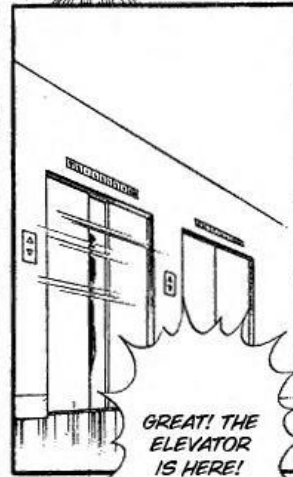


TAP
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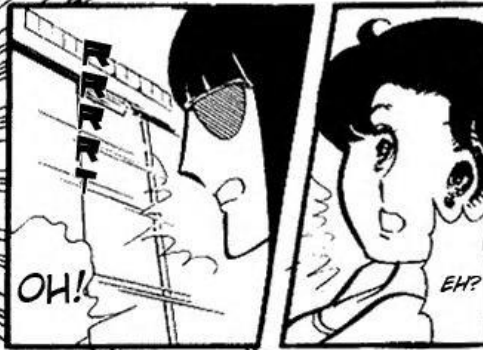
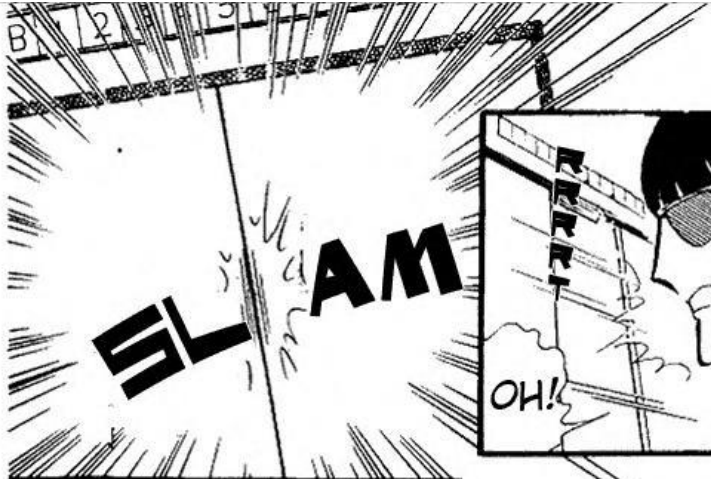


HURRY!

OK, SAFE!



GREAT! THE ELEVATOR IS HERE!



WE WERE SO HAPPY

WHEN WE GOT BACK FROM THE BEACH...



WITH THE PAPPARAZZI TAILING OUR BACK

BUT AFTER THAT, WE WERE SO BUSY, WE COULD ONLY GREET EACH OTHER

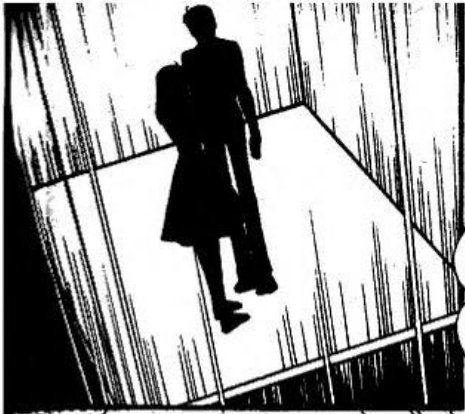
OH! SO LATE...

UM.. 10:30 AT NIGHT



FINALLY WE CAN BE ALONE

SHIGERU...



WE NEED TO PRACTICE WITHOUT THE SCRIPT

I WILL BE BACK BY THE 4TH

TOMORROW I HAVE TO GO TO IZU FOR 3 DAYS

IZU?



FROM UPSTAIRS TO DOWNSTAIRS...

FOR ONLY A SHORT TIME..

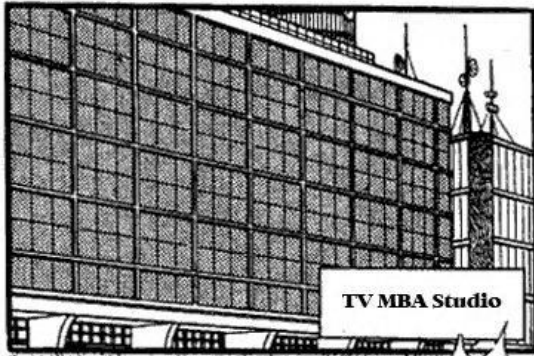
WE CAN BE TOGETHER



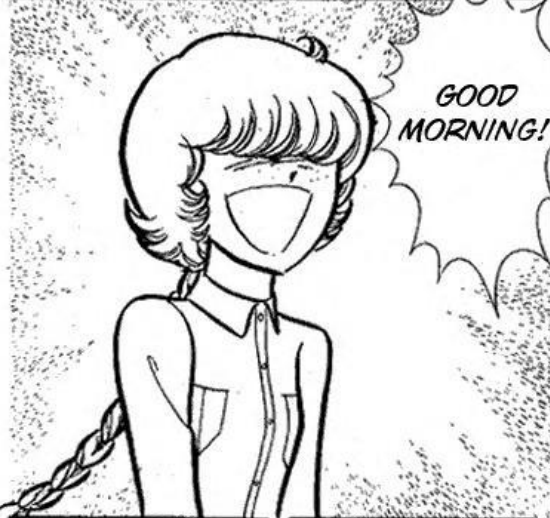
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SHIGERU...



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GOOD MORNING!



KYAA!

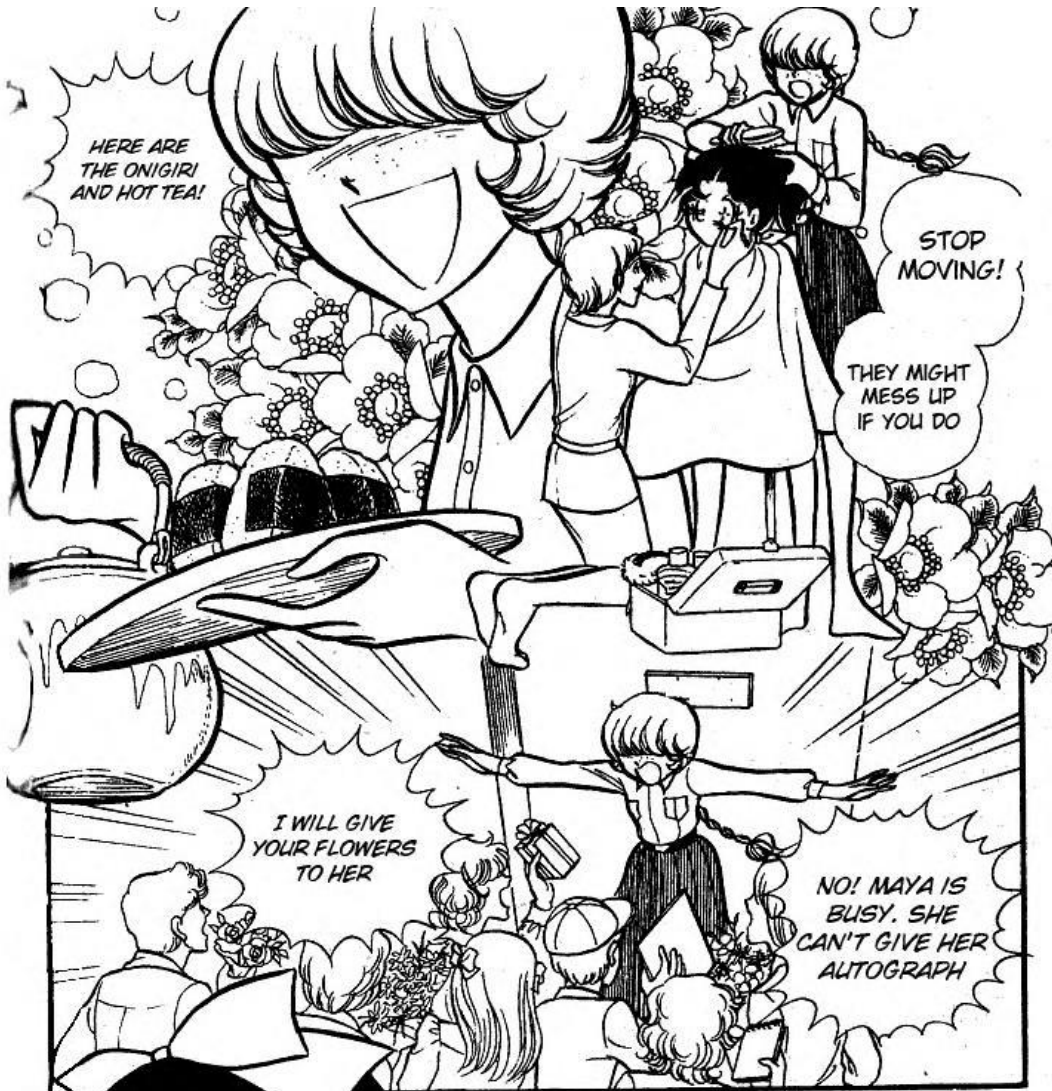


GO CHANGE



FROM UPSTAIRS TO DOWNSTAIRS...

FOR ONLY A SHORT TIME..



HERE ARE THE ONIGIRI AND HOT TEA!

STOP MOVING!

THEY MIGHT MESS UP IF YOU DO

I WILL GIVE YOUR FLOWERS TO HER

NO! MAYA IS BUSY. SHE CAN'T GIVE HER AUTOGRAPH



WHAT SHOULD I DO?

I WILL HELP MAYA FROM NOW ON

GOOD MORNING

NORI DID ALL OF THESE





ANSWER ME!
WHY DO YOU
DISGUISE
YOURSELF?



OTOBE
NORIE AKA
TASHIRO
SUZUKO...

A GIRL
FROM A
NOBLE
FAMILY

YOU WON AN
AWARD FROM
HIGH SCHOOL
NATIONAL DRAMA
COMPETITION



WHAT'S
WRONG,
MIZUKI?
NORI?



CLENCH

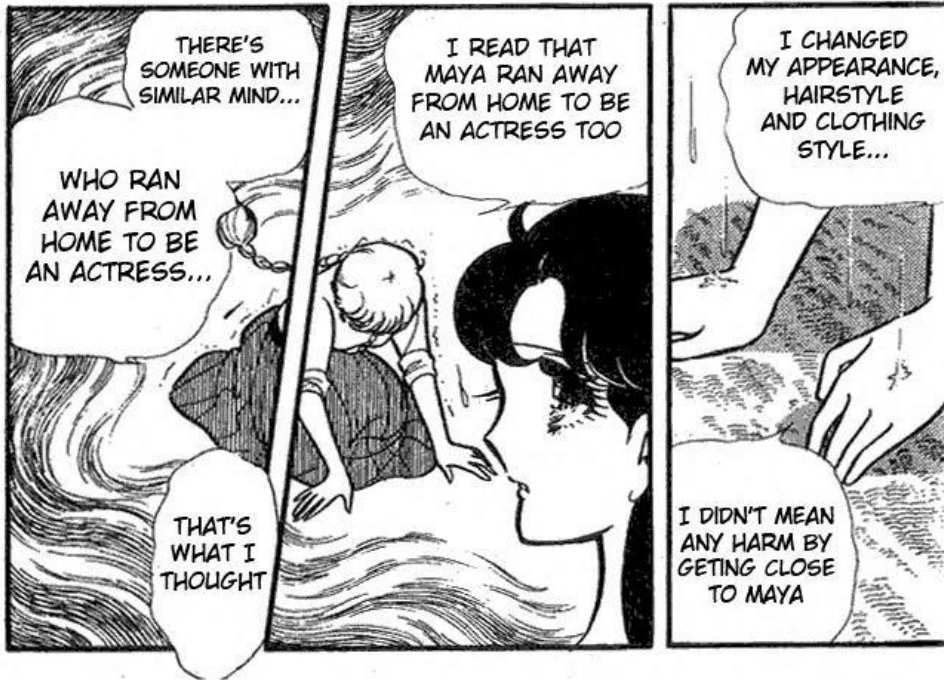
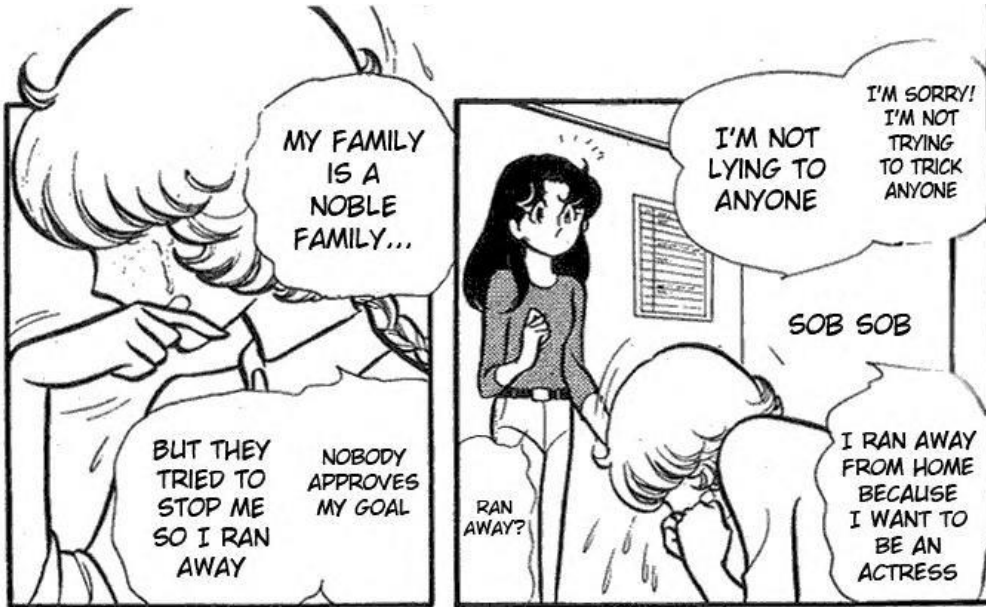


WHY ARE YOU
TRYING TO
GET CLOSE
TO MAYA?

WHAT IS
YOUR
PURPOSE?



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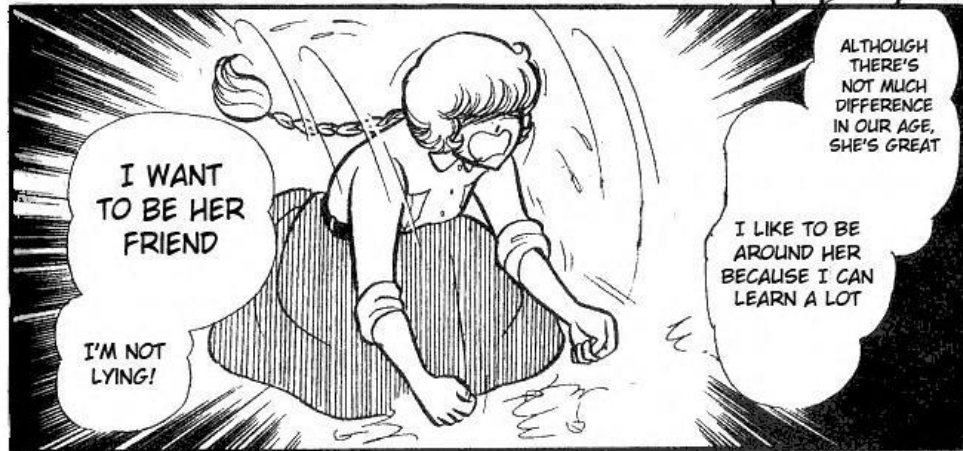




I REALLY RESPECT HER!

BESIDE, MAYA IS SO TALENTED THAT SHE GOT THE BEST ACTRESS AWARD

ZZZZZZ



I WANT TO BE HER FRIEND

I'M NOT LYING!

ALTHOUGH THERE'S NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN OUR AGE, SHE'S GREAT

I LIKE TO BE AROUND HER BECAUSE I CAN LEARN A LOT



BUT PLEASE KEEP THIS A SECRET

IF THEY TAKE ME HOME, I CAN'T ACT ANYMORE



NORI...

I DON'T HAVE ANY FRIENDS EITHER...



I DON'T MIND IF SHE DOESN'T TALK TO ME ANYMORE

IF MAYA HATES ME, I WON'T STAY CLOSE ANYMORE

NORI, DON'T CRY.
PLEASE RAISE
YOUR HEAD

NOBODY WILL
HARM YOU.
I'M ON
YOUR SIDE

SNIFF SNIFF

NORI...

PLEASE DON'T
GET UPSET
TO NORI
ANYMORE

YOU CAN
STAY WITH ME

RIGHT,
MIZUKI?

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
UNDERSTANDING,
MAYA...

MAYBE SHE
DIDN'T LIE...

I DON'T KNOW!
MAYBE I WAS
TOO HARSH
ON HER

BUT SHE HAS
A REASON TO
GET CLOSE
TO MAYA

ALL
RIGHT

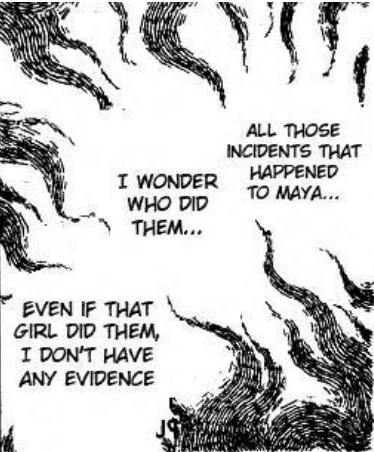
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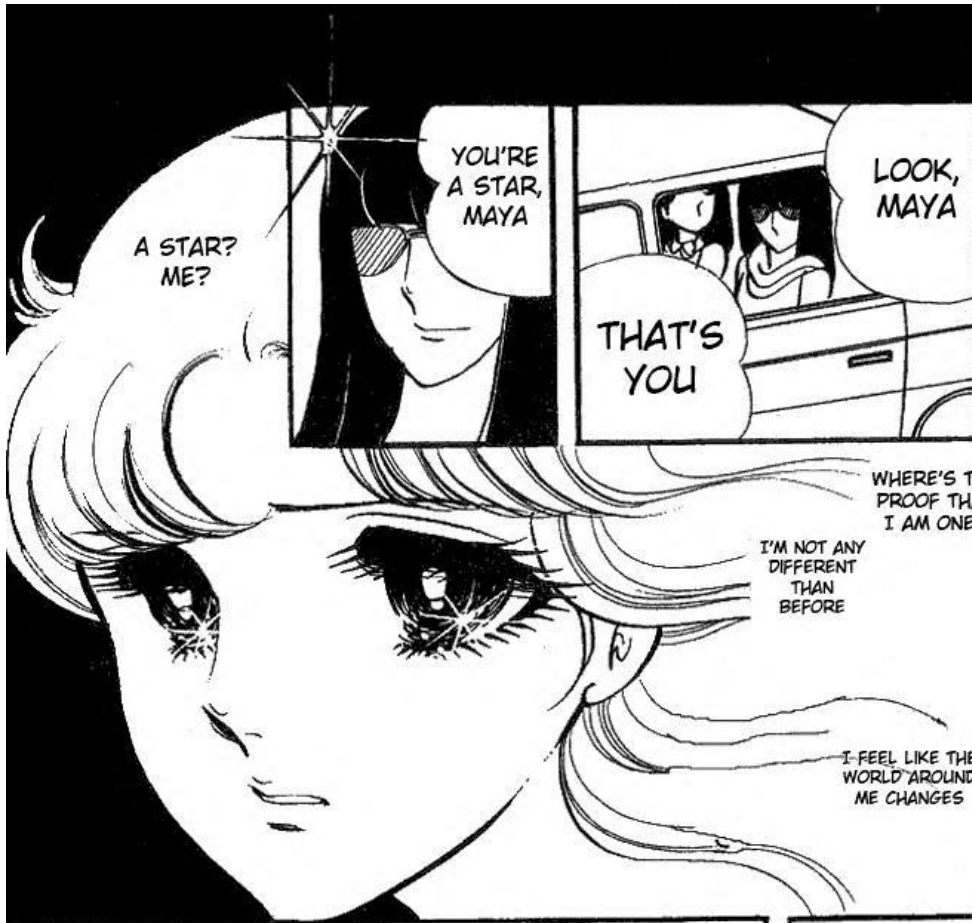


I DON'T WANT
TO STOP
ACTING

PLEASE...







A STAR?
ME?

YOU'RE
A STAR,
MAYA

LOOK,
MAYA

THAT'S
YOU

WHERE'S THE
PROOF THAT
I AM ONE?

I'M NOT ANY
DIFFERENT
THAN
BEFORE

I FEEL LIKE THE
WORLD AROUND
ME CHANGES



THAT'S
SATOKO,
RIGHT?

LOOK!

HEY! THAT'S
KITAJIMA
MAYA!



SHE'S SO
PRETTY,
ISN'T SHE?



PLEASE FOLLOW
ME. WE HAVE
PREPARE A
TABLE FOR YOU

EVEN IF YOU
STILL FEEL LIKE
A NORMAL GIRL,
EVERYONE
AROUND YOU
DOESN'T THINK
THE SAME WAY

YOU'RE A
SPECIAL
PERSON

YOU SHOULD
REALIZE IT



THE TIMES WHEN
MOM USED TO
SCOLD ME FOR
COMING BACK
LATE AFTER
DELIVERING FOOD
SEEM LIKE A
DREAM NOW...



IT'S DIFFERENT THAN WHAT I EXPECTED

I'M NOT SURE WHAT IT IS

A STAR...

