

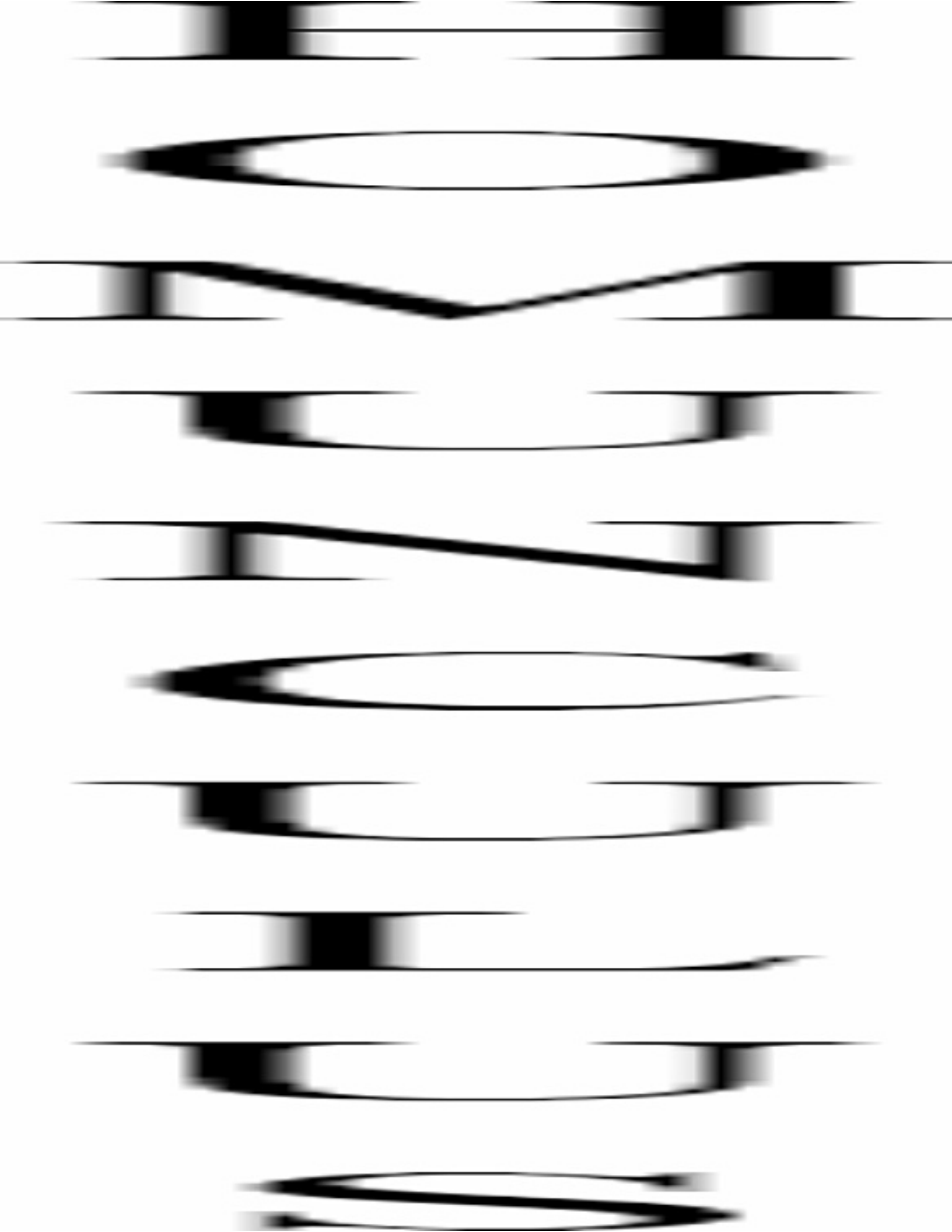
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H I D E O Y A M A M O T O











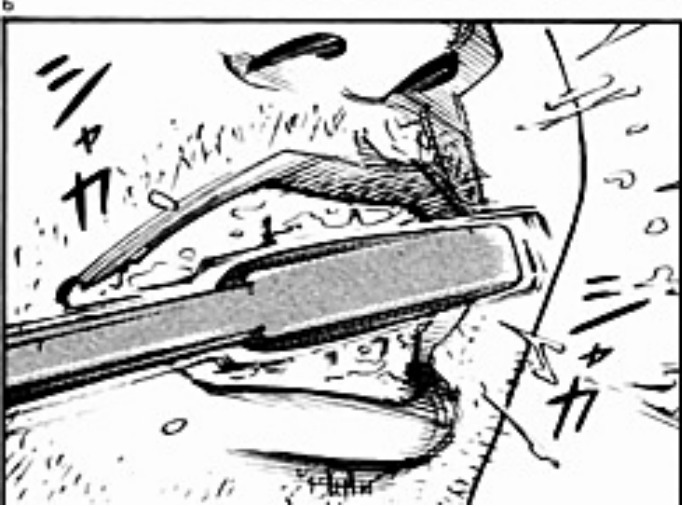
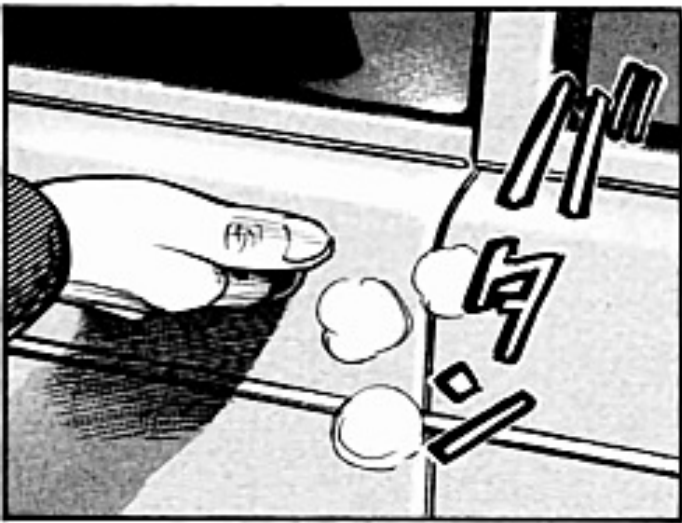
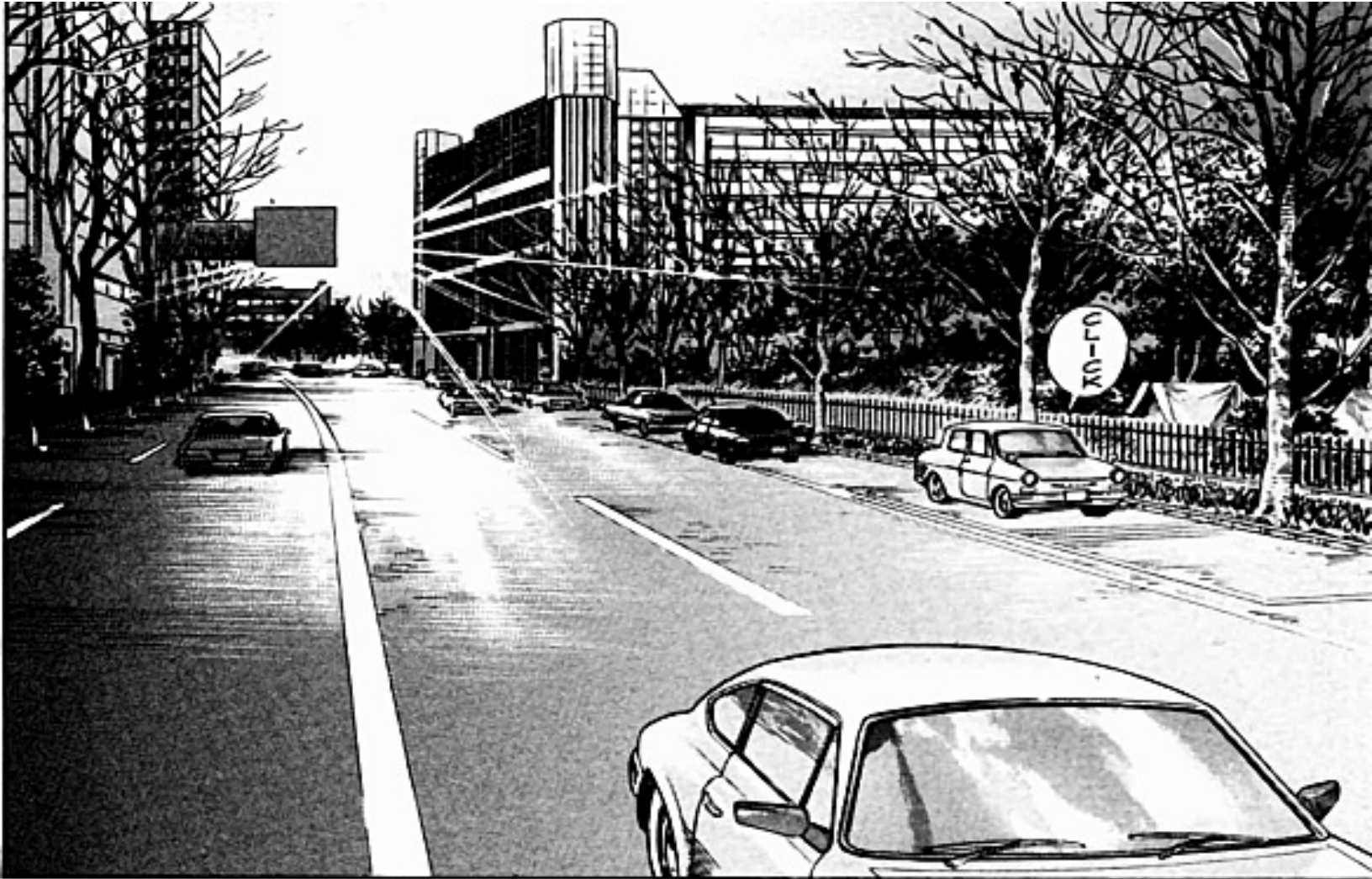




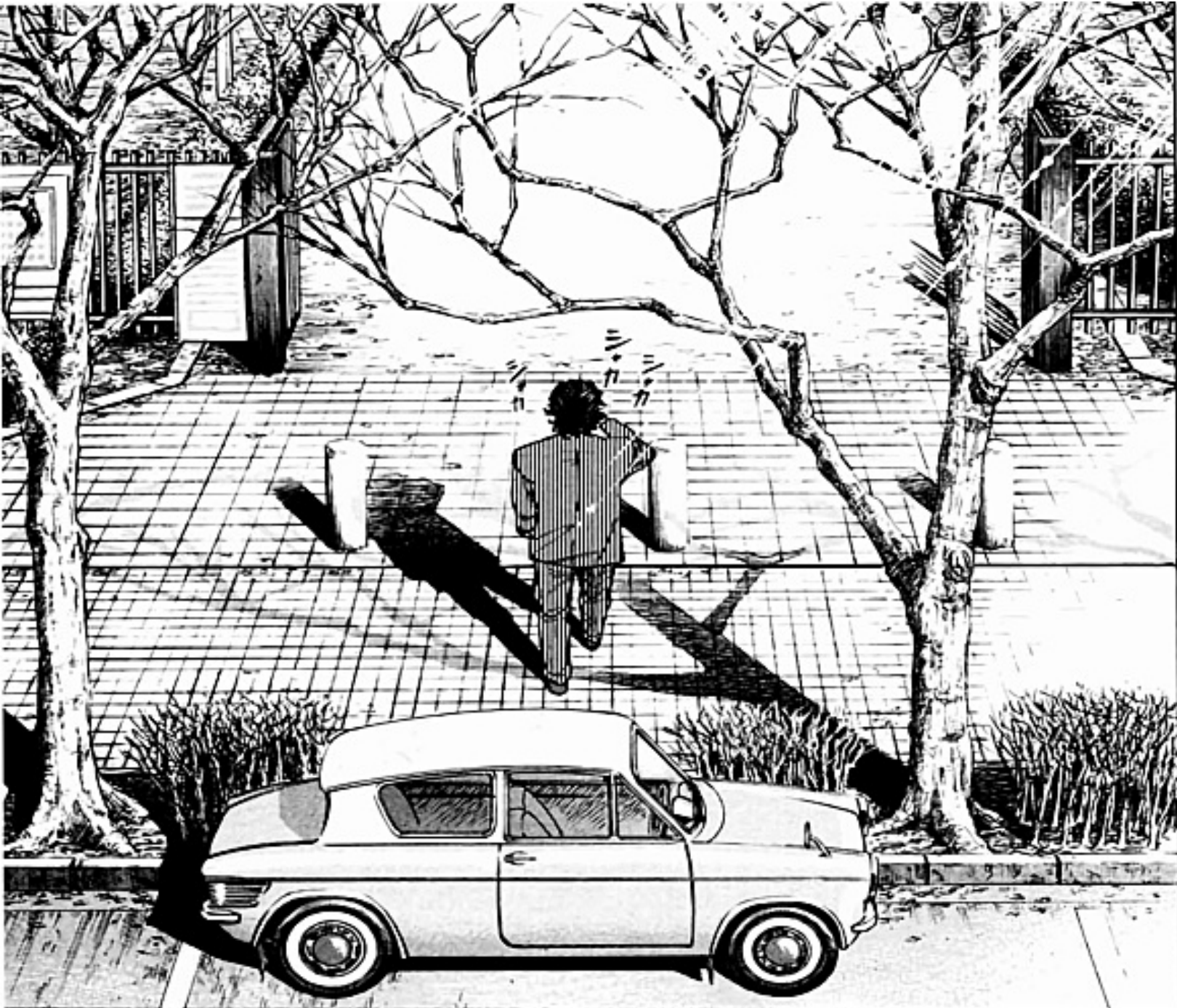




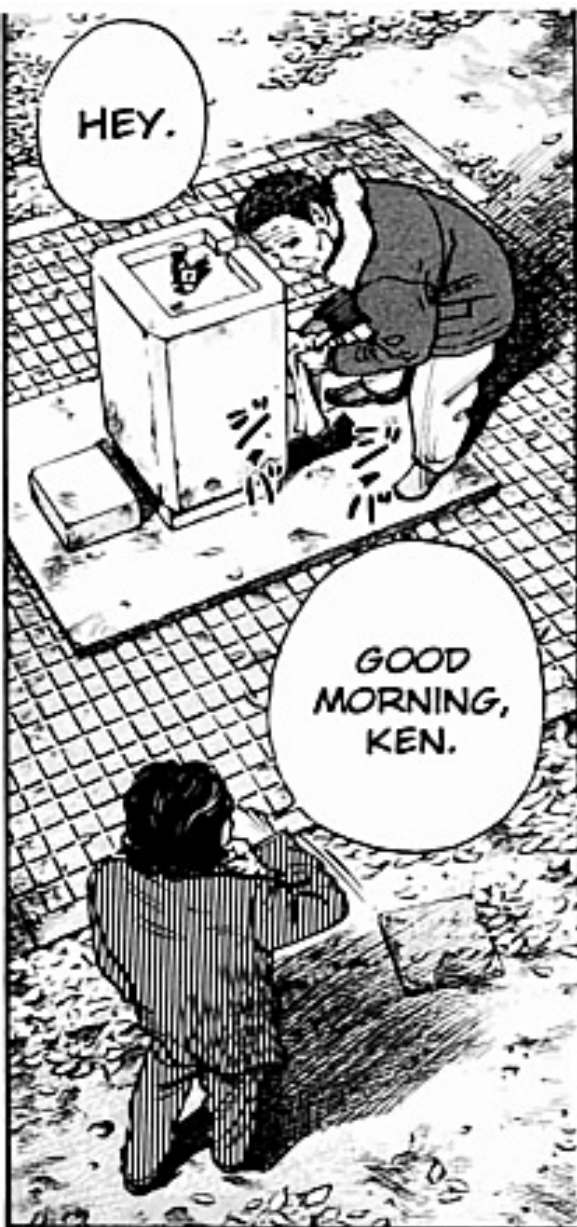


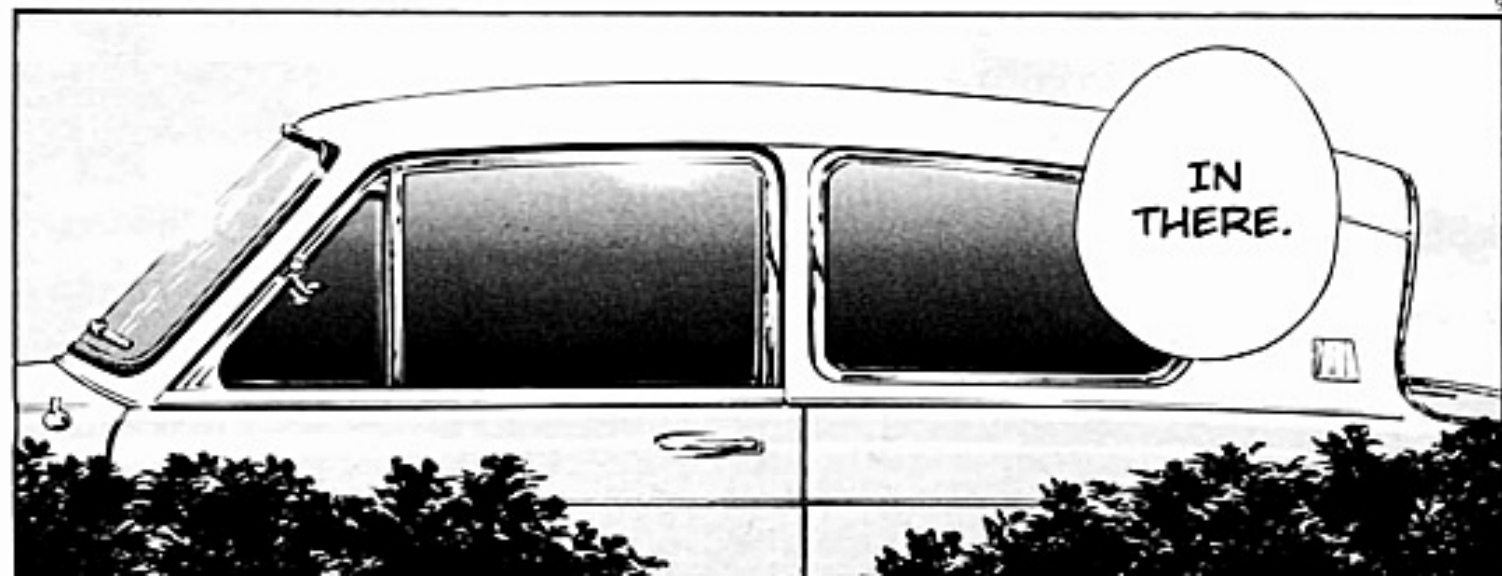
























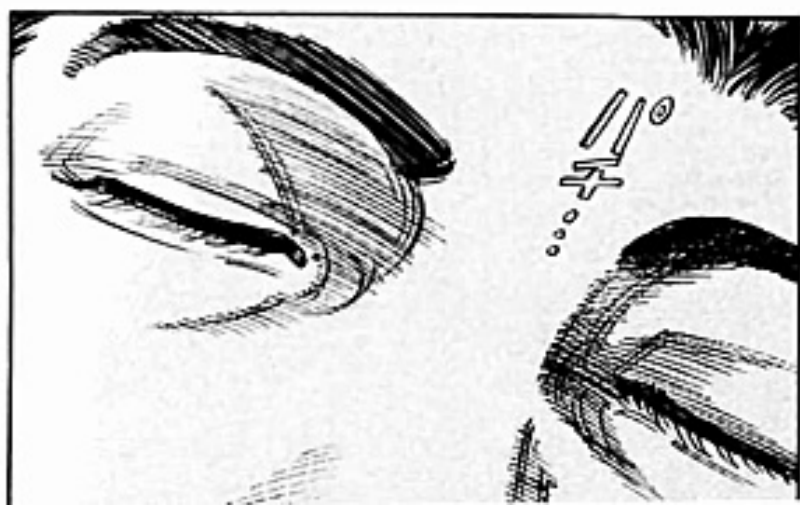
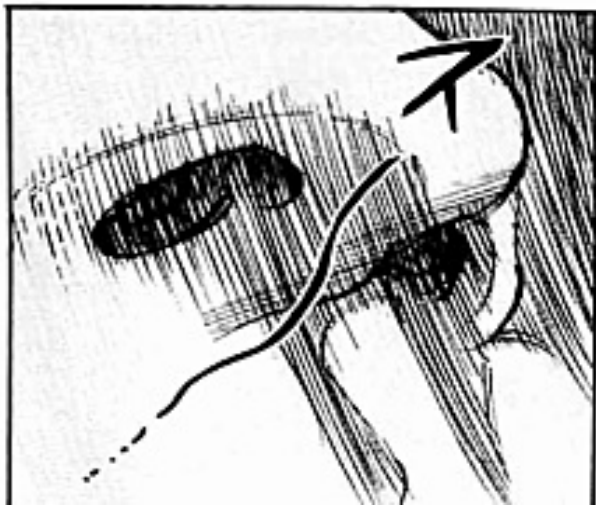






TRUE,  
TRUE  
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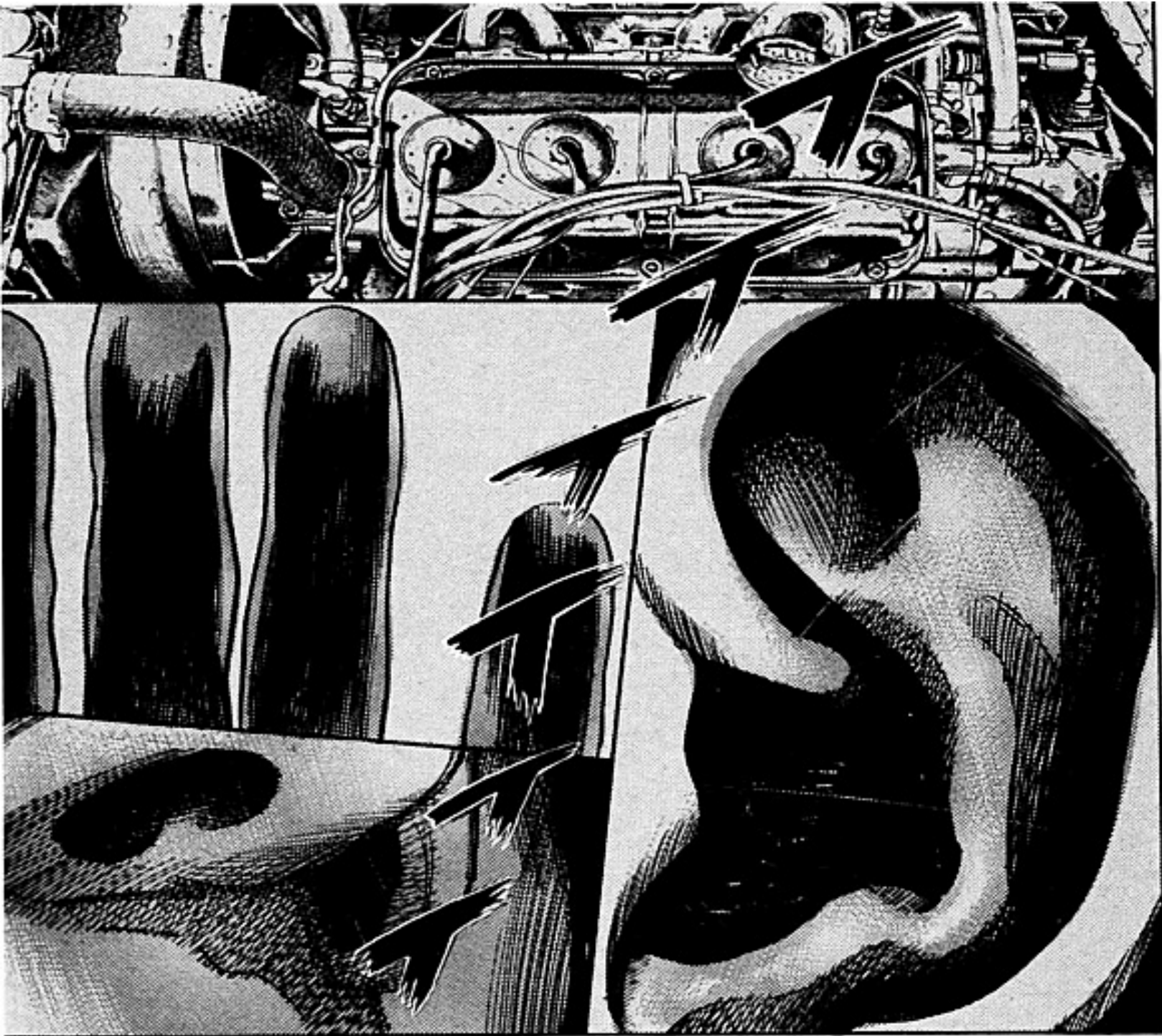




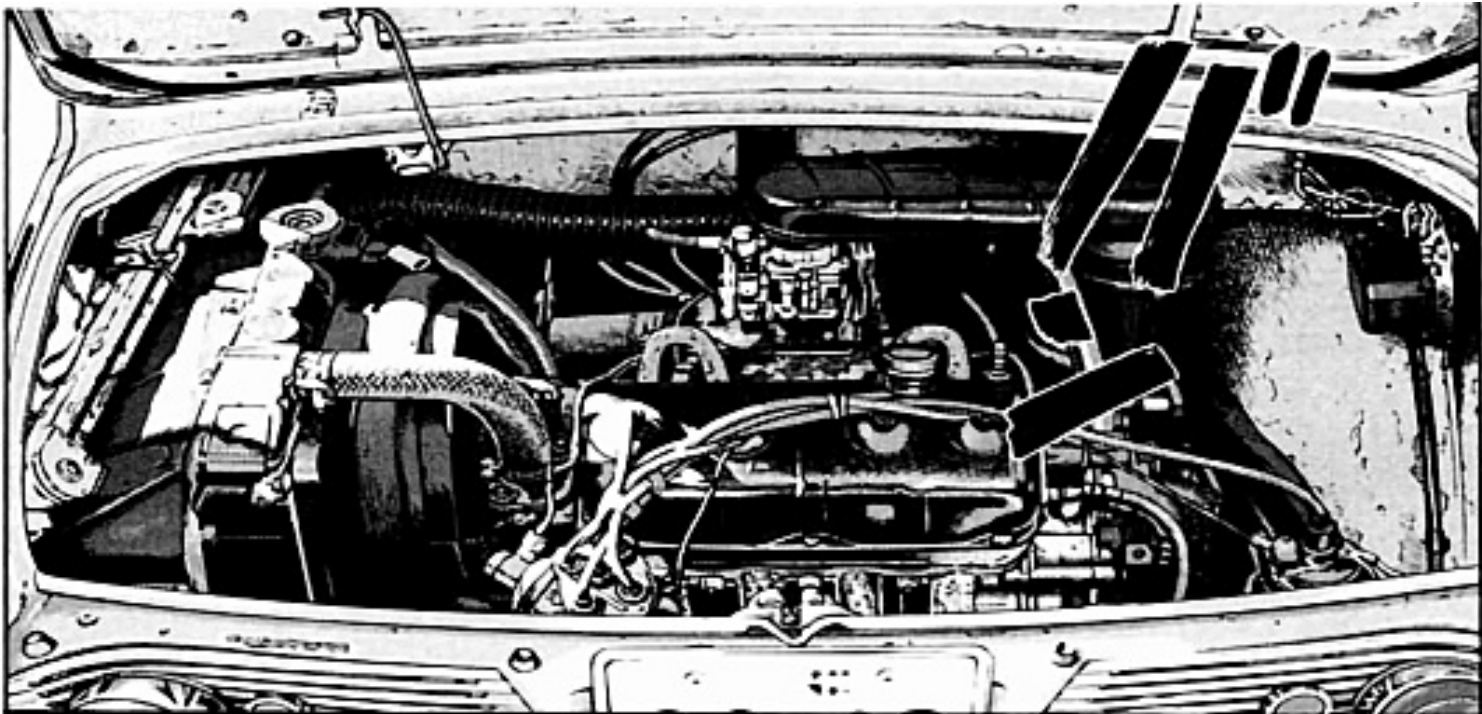








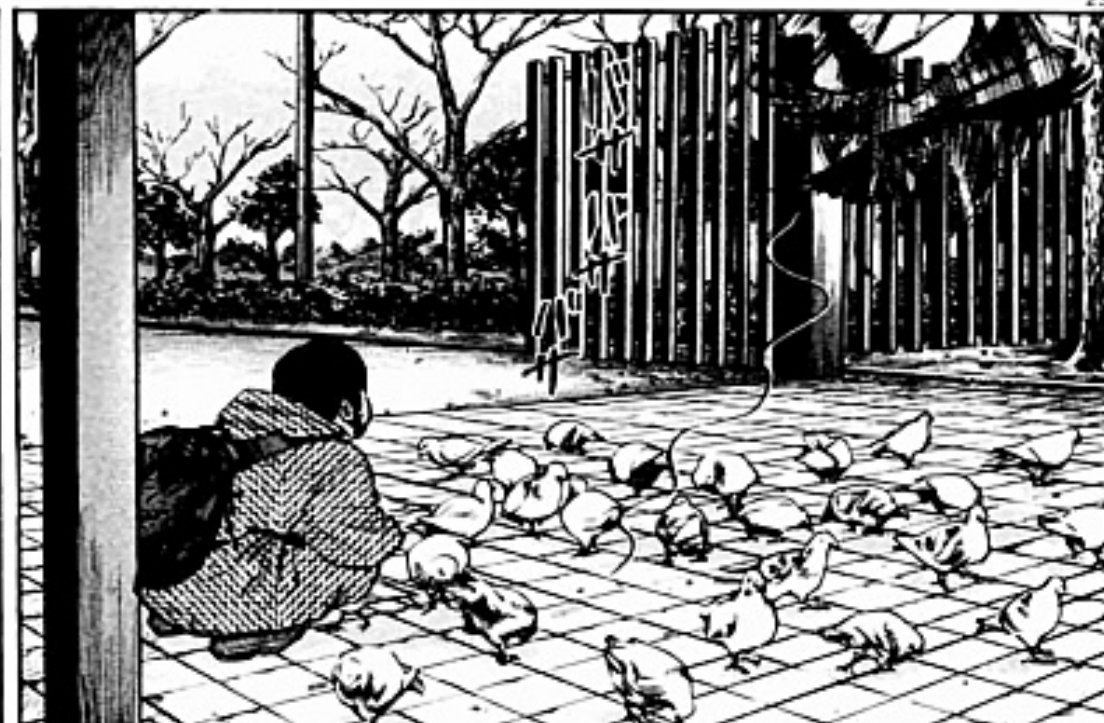






















SMELLS GOOD.

YEAH.



!



USED TO BE A CHEF.

HE JUST SHOWED UP PRETTY RECENTLY.



ITA ...?

ITA'S COOKING IS A DAMN FINE PIECE OF WORK.



MMM-HMM.

HE SURE KNOWS HOW TO COOK THE GRUB WE RUSTLE UP.

NOTE: ITA WOULD BE AN ABBREVIATION FOR ITALIAN, OR MORE LIKELY ITAMESHI, A POPULAR BLEND OF ITALIAN AND JAPANESE CUISINE.



EXCEPT A BONAFIDE PROFESSIONAL.

THERE AIN'T NO ONE WHO CAN MAKE EXPIRED FOOD AND LEFT-OVERS TASTE SO GOOD,



AND WHEN WE  
WERE DONE,  
THEY TOSSED  
US RIGHT  
OUT. WHAT'S  
THIS COUNTRY  
COMING TO?

WE WERE  
THE ONES  
WHO RISKED  
OUR LIVES  
TO BUILD  
THOSE  
THINGS,



THOSE  
POLITICIANS,  
THEY'RE ALL  
SAD STORIES.



MMM-  
HMM.

IT'S NOTHING  
BUT "I  
DON'T  
RECALL," OR  
"I DON'T  
KNOW."

WHEN THEY  
GET CAUGHT  
DOING WICKED  
DEEDS AND  
GET PULLED IN  
FOR A  
HEARING,



AND MAKIKO DOI, IN THE LDP? THERE WAS THAT RUMOR, THAT SHE WAS A VIRGIN.



"I DID IT, SURE ENOUGH!!!"



WELL, I'D TELL 'EM!



SHHIK



REALLY ?!

BUT THE TV WAS SAYIN' MAKIKO USED TO DATE A MAN, WAY BACK.



THANK YOU FOR THE FOOD.



SHE AIN'T NO VIRGIN, THEN... HMMM...



WELL.

HA HA.



I CAN BELIEVE YOU WERE A COOK.

IT WAS DELICIOUS.



HUH ?

DID YOU HAVE A JOB WORKING WITH CARS?




VERY PERCEPTIVE OF YOU.




I SAW YOU FIX IT QUITE EFFICIENTLY, TODAY.





ANYONE WHO HAS TO OPEN THE ENGINE UP TO SEE WHAT'S WRONG IS A ROOKIE.



HE COULD TELL WHAT WAS WRONG BY THE SOUND OF THE ENGINE.

I USED TO KNOW AN AUTO MECHANIC.



RIGHT, RIGHT.



IT'S THE FEEL OF THE ENTIRE CAR.

THE SMELL AND VIBRATION ARE IMPORTANT, TOO.

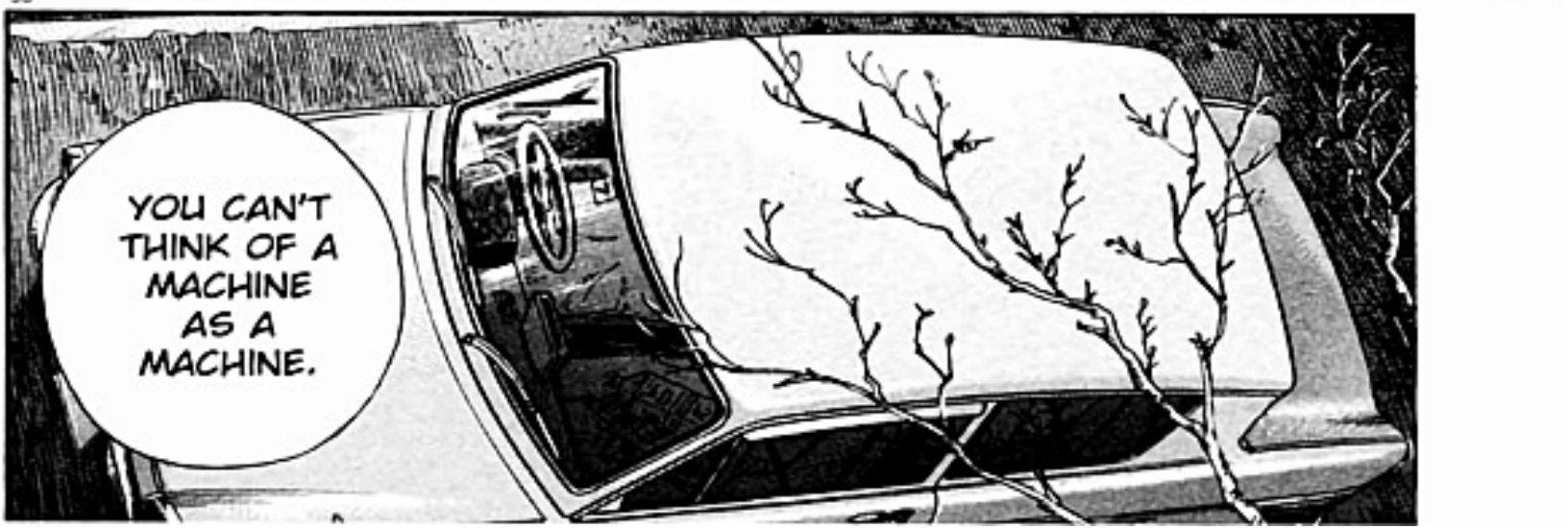


HE COULD BE RIGHT.



THAT'S WHAT HE SAID.

IT'S EVEN HARDER TO HANDLE A CAR, THAN A WOMAN.

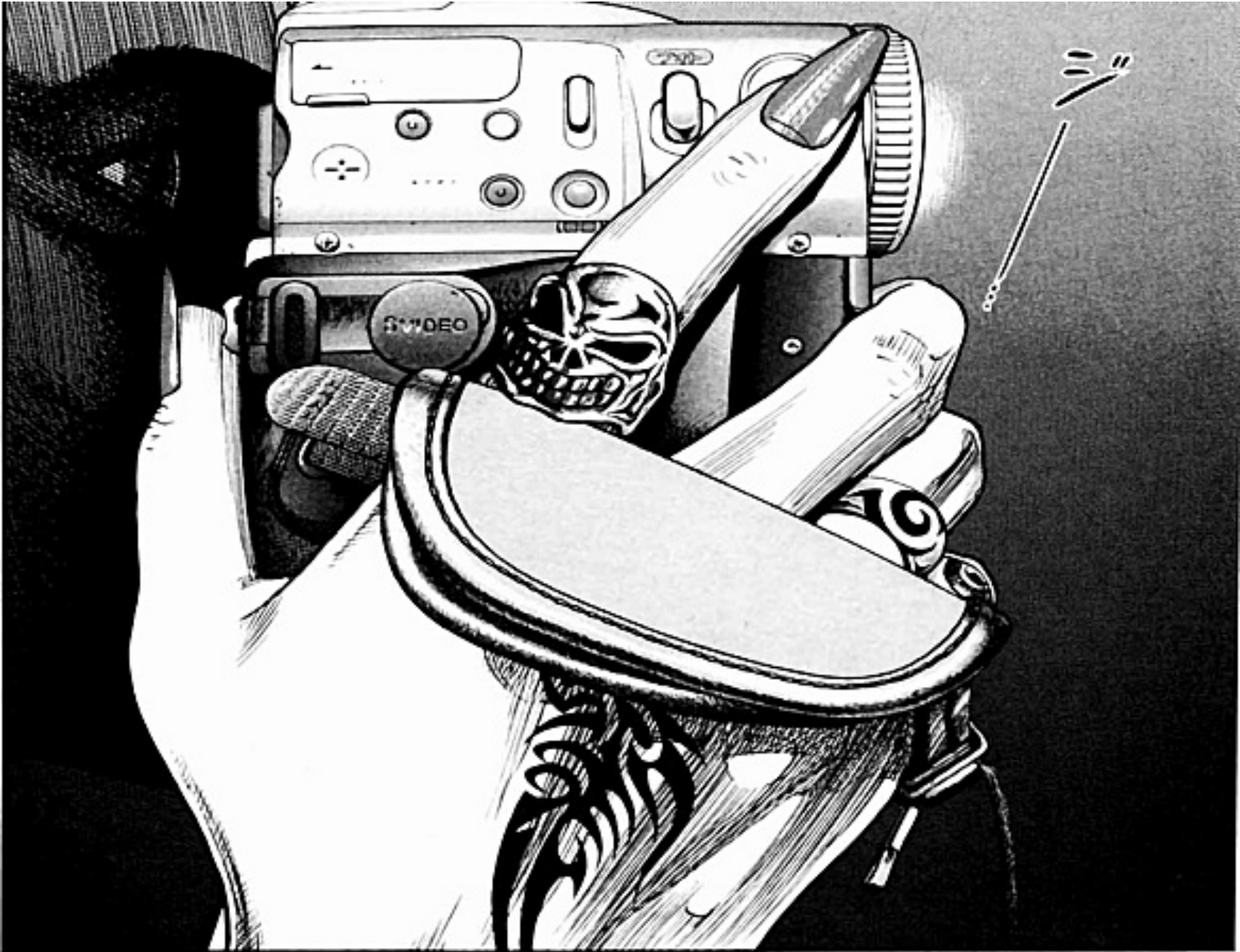


YOU CAN'T THINK OF A MACHINE AS A MACHINE.



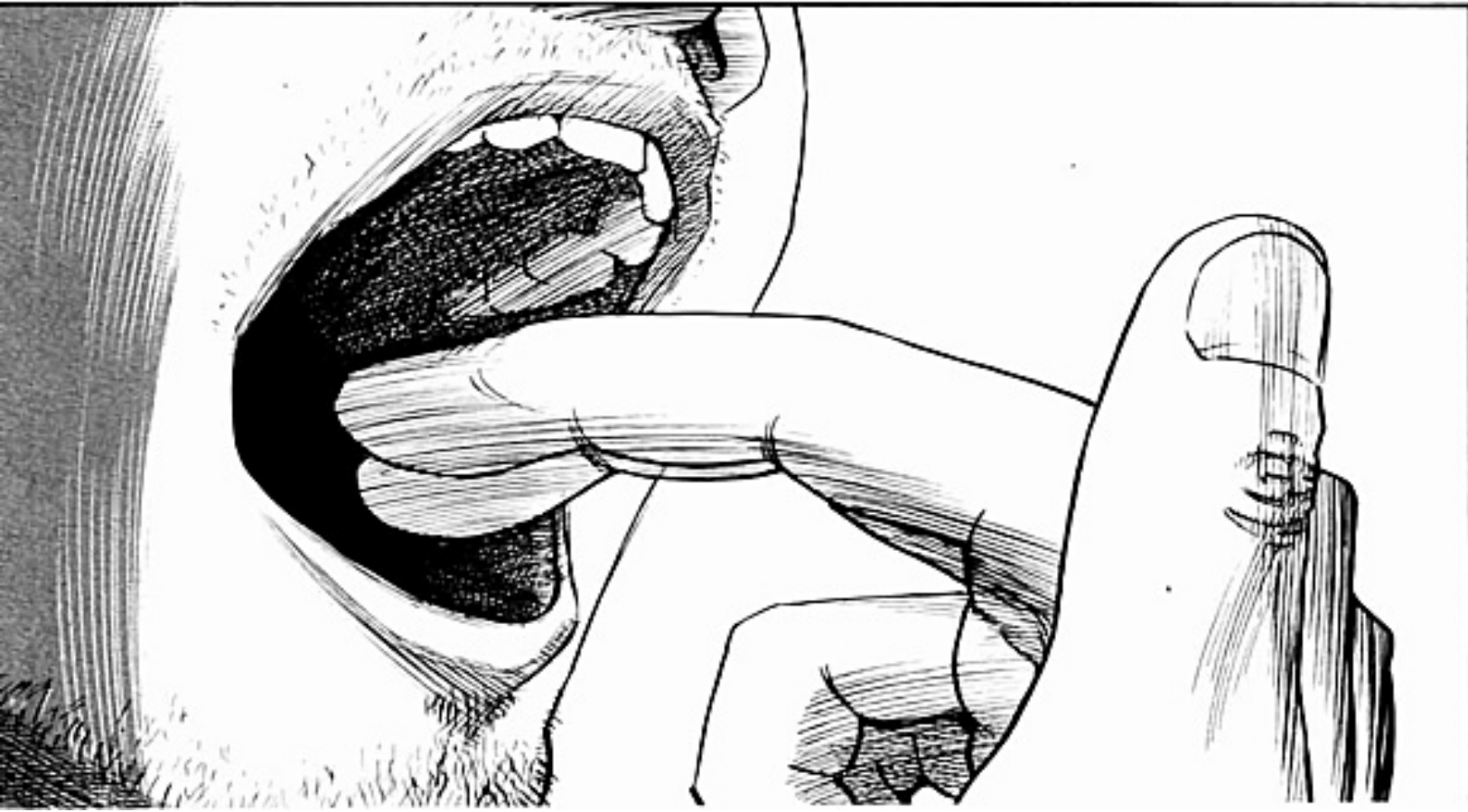
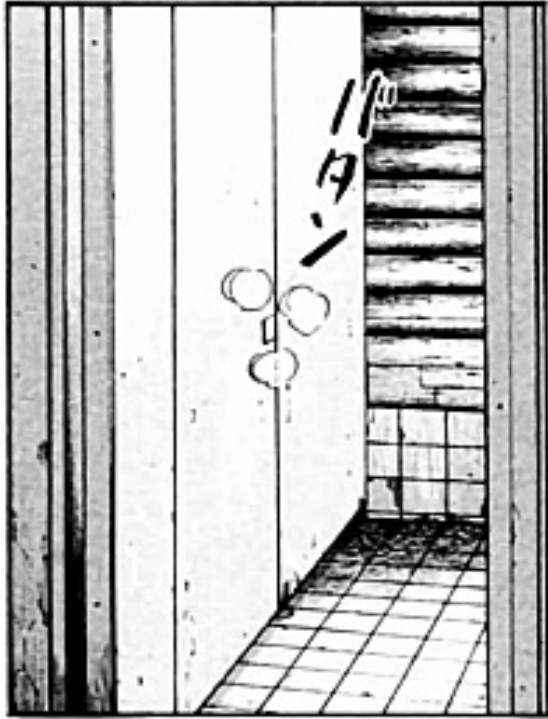
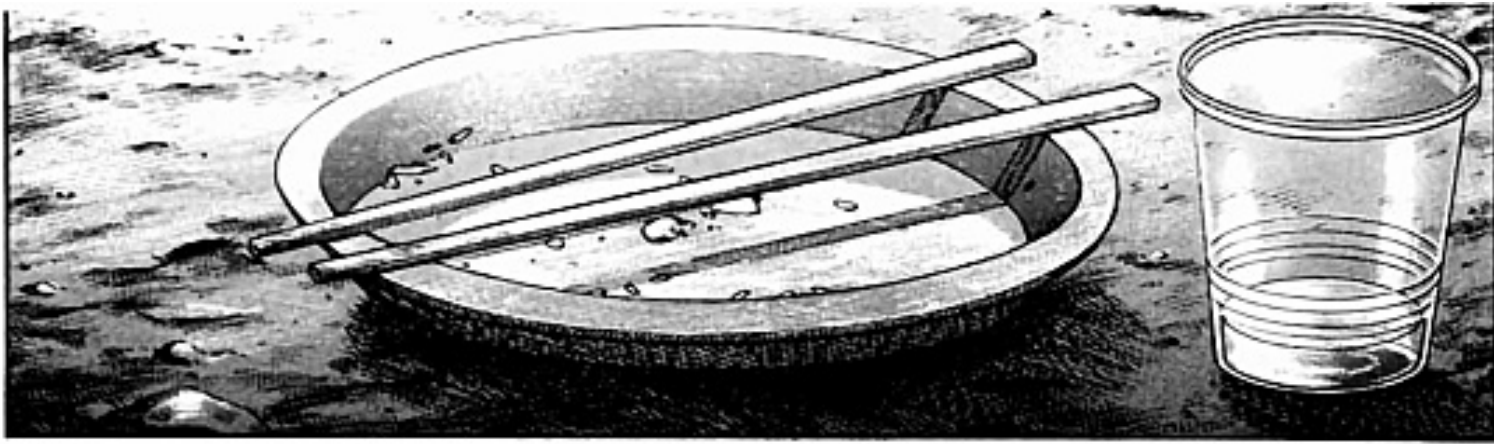






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HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE HE STARTED SHOWING UP?



LOOKIN' LIKE ONE A THEM SUIT HOME-LESS.

HE DONE SHOWED UP IN A SUIT,



ABOUT TWO WEEKS ...

RIGHT, NUMA?

MMM-HMM.



WHAT?

SUIT HOME-LESS?



HE TOLD ME HE WORKED WITH CARS.



!?

HE CAIN'T TAKE OFF HIS SUIT. HE CAIN'T TOSS AWAY HIS PRIDE.

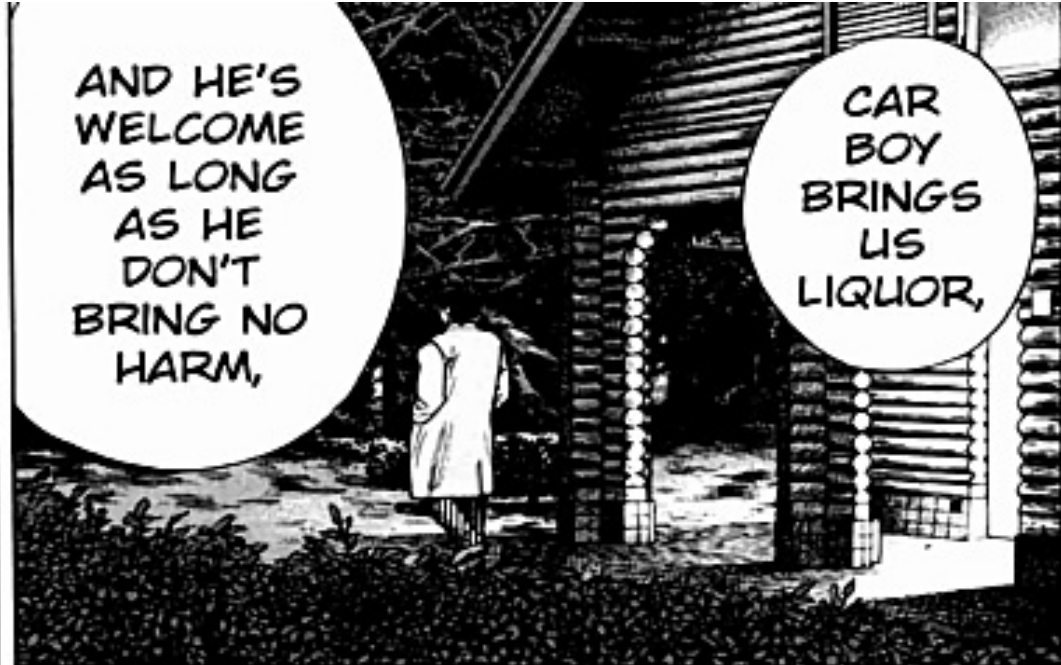
Y'KNOW, WHEN A SALARY-MAN GETS LAID OFF ...







BUT THAT THERE, IS A PATHOLOGICAL LIAR

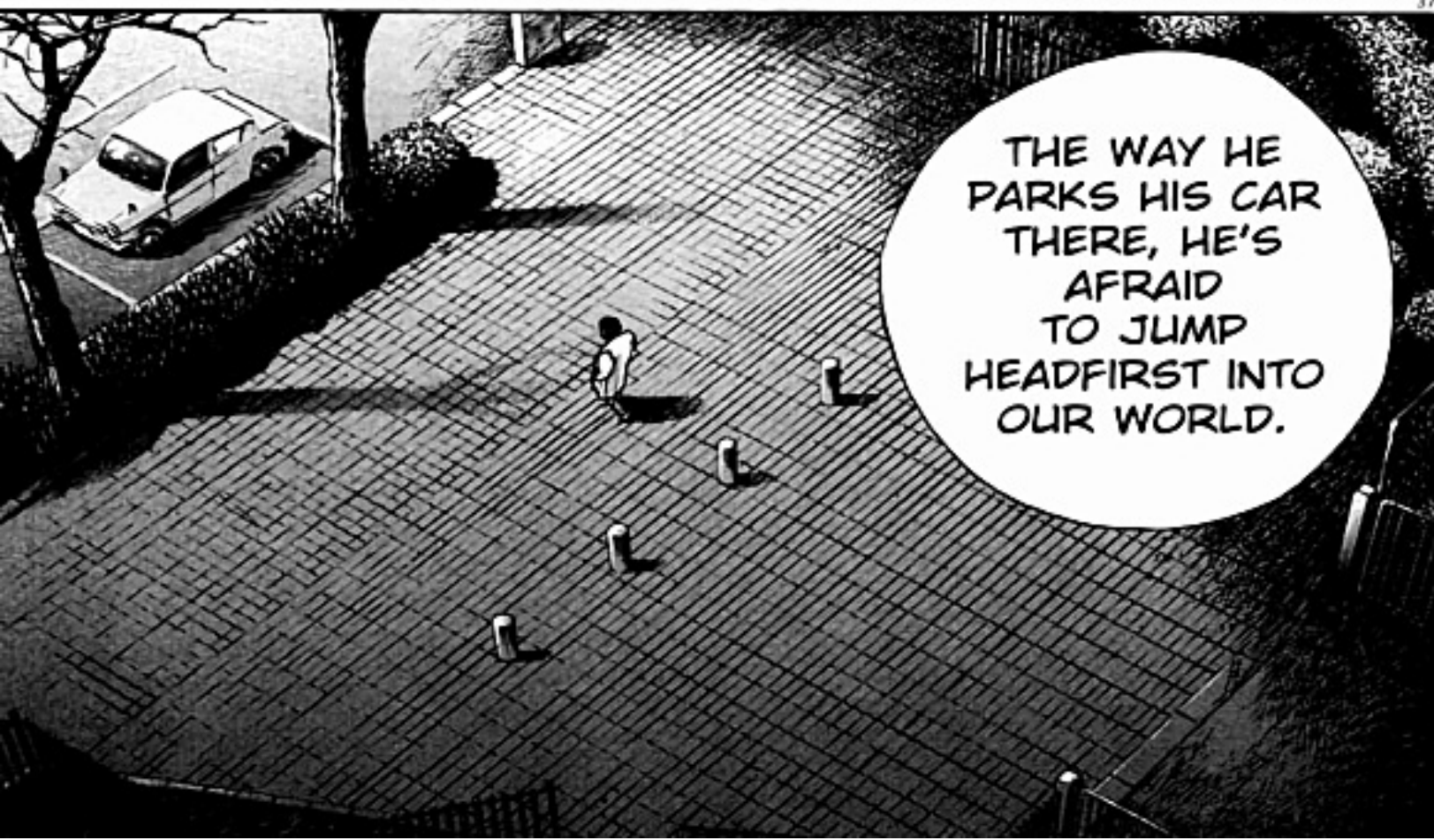


AND HE'S WELCOME AS LONG AS HE DON'T BRING NO HARM,

CAR BOY BRINGS US LIQUOR,



EITHER WAY, HE'LL BE GONE SOON.



THE WAY HE PARKS HIS CAR THERE, HE'S AFRAID TO JUMP HEADFIRST INTO OUR WORLD.





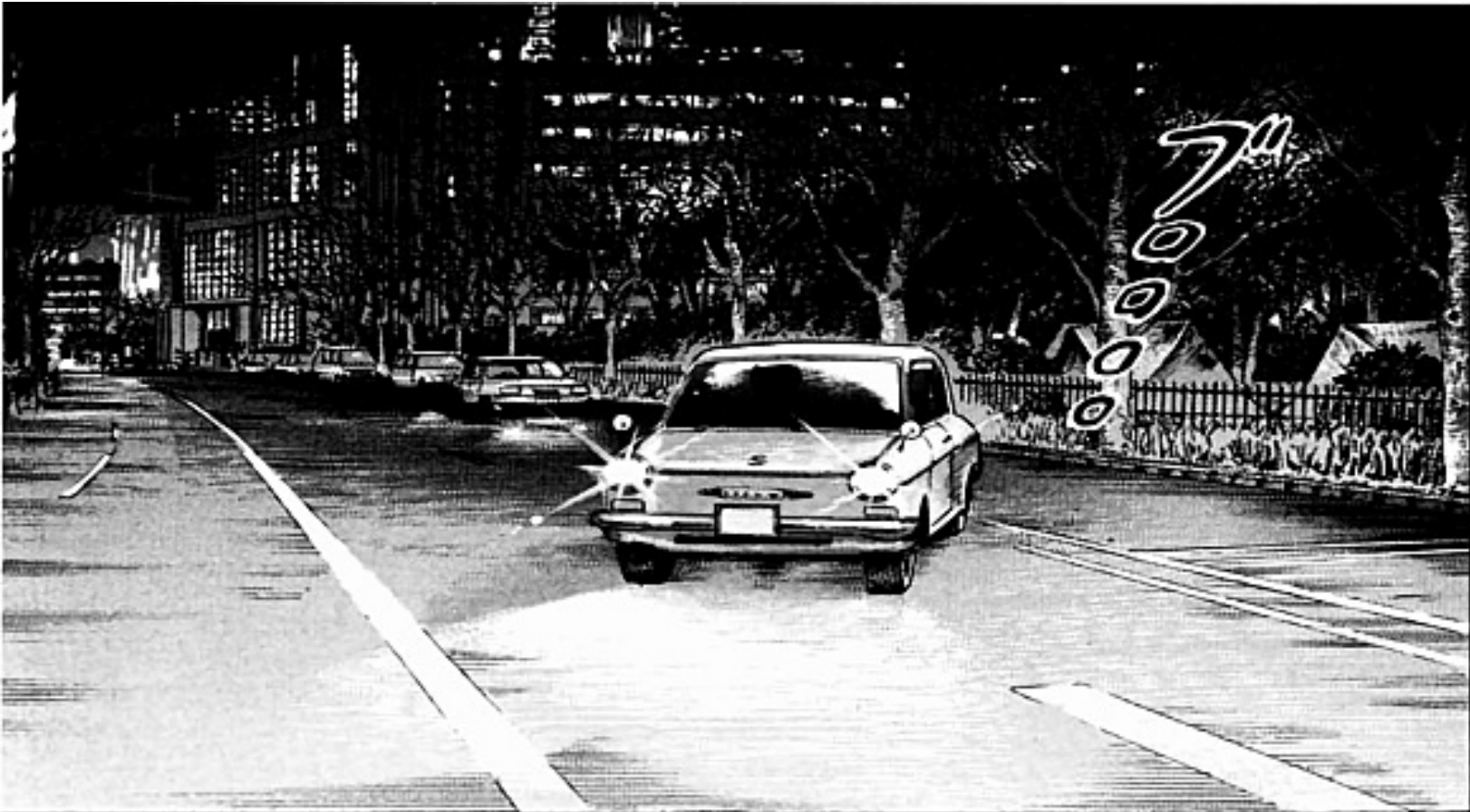


WHEW  
WWW  
...

AIN'T NUTHIN'  
LIKE SITTIN'  
BACK IN MAH  
CAR.









WHERE DOES HE GET THE GAS MONEY?



TO A WOMAN, WOULDN'T YA THINK?

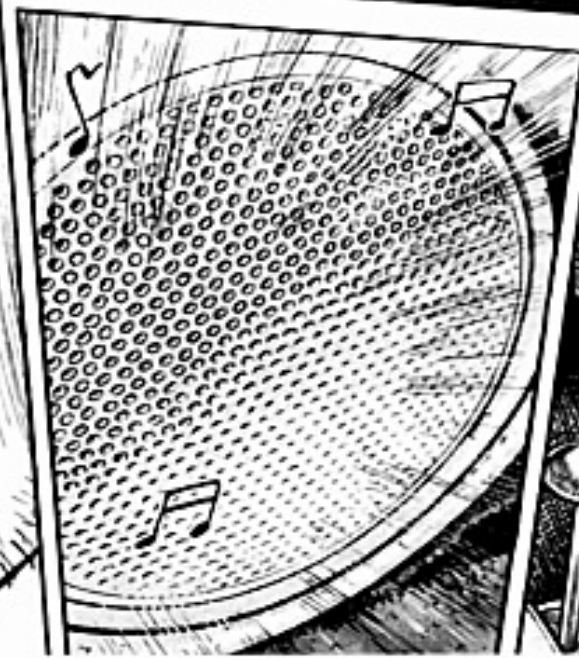
WHERE YOU THINK HE GOES?



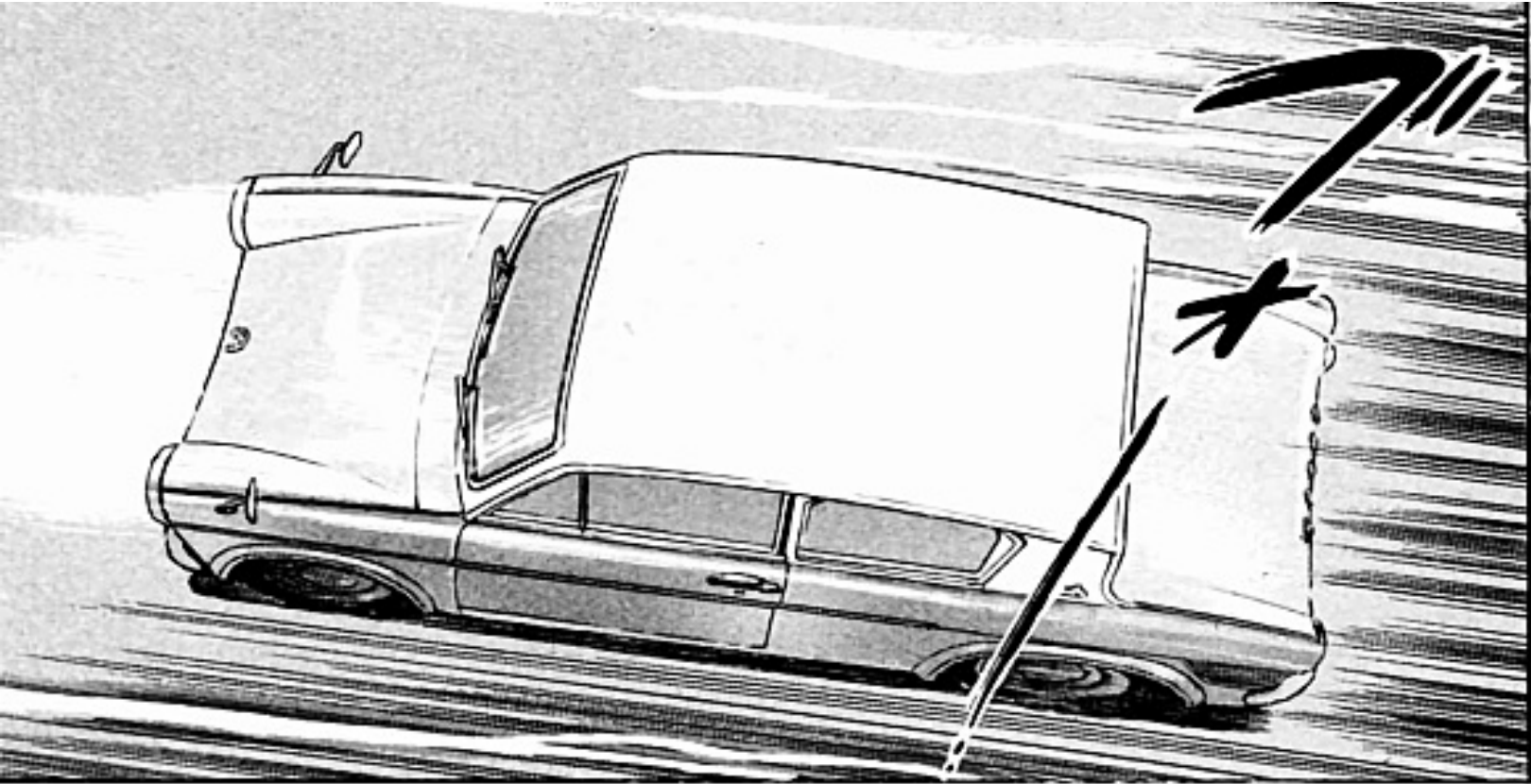
HE ALWAYS COME BACK LOOKIN' SATISFIED.



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MAINTAINING  
THE  
DELICATE  
HEIGHT  
BETWEEN  
THE TWO,  
INSIDE MY  
CAR...

SO  
WHAT  
DOES  
THAT  
MAKE  
ME...



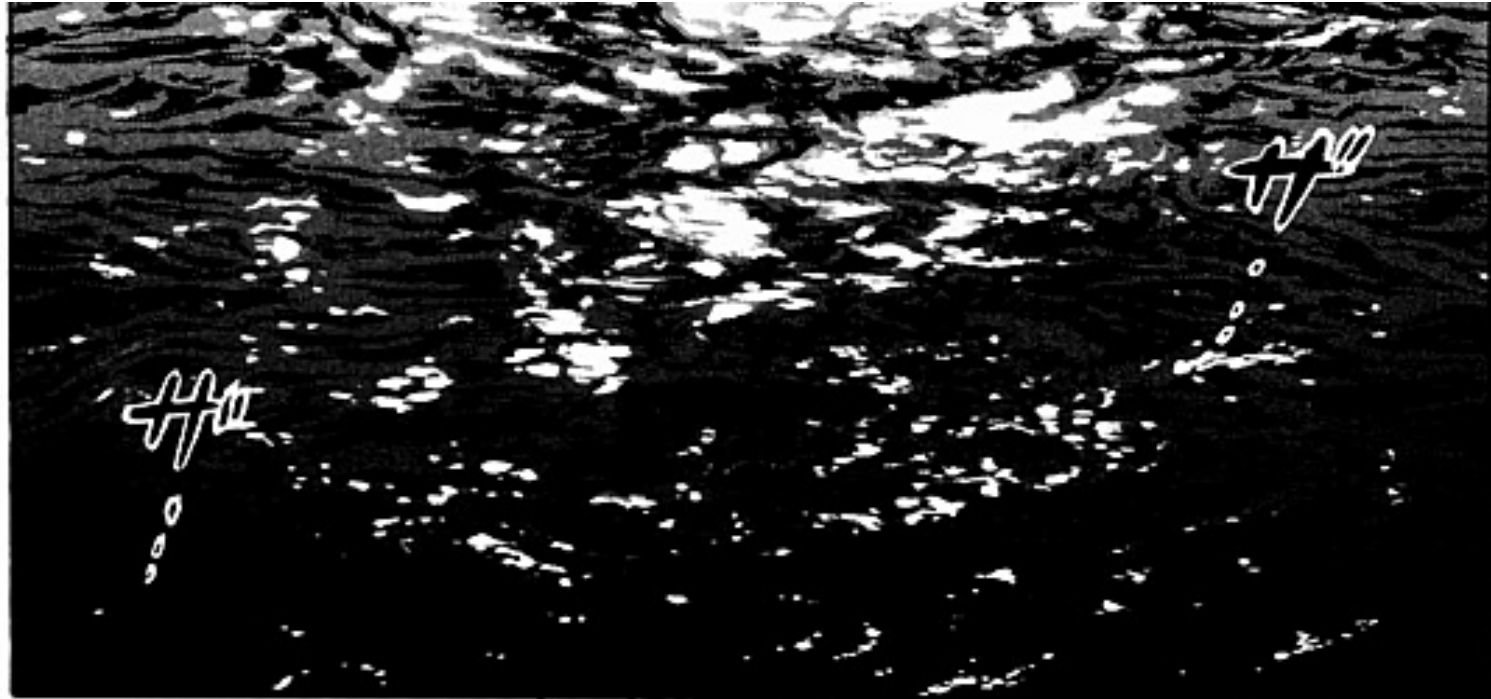
I'M A  
GENIUS AT  
PARODYING  
SONGS.

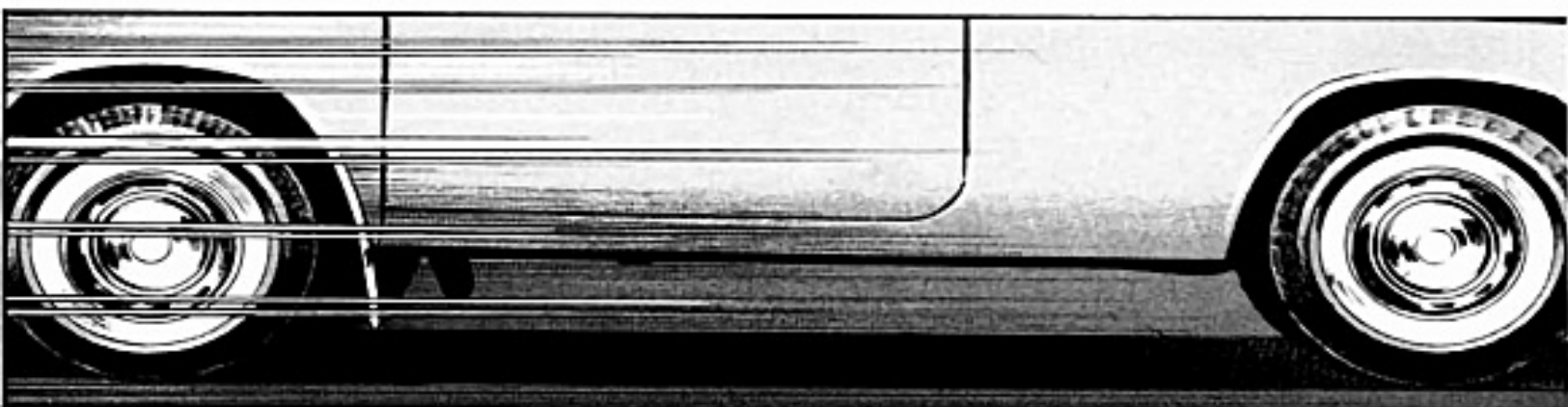
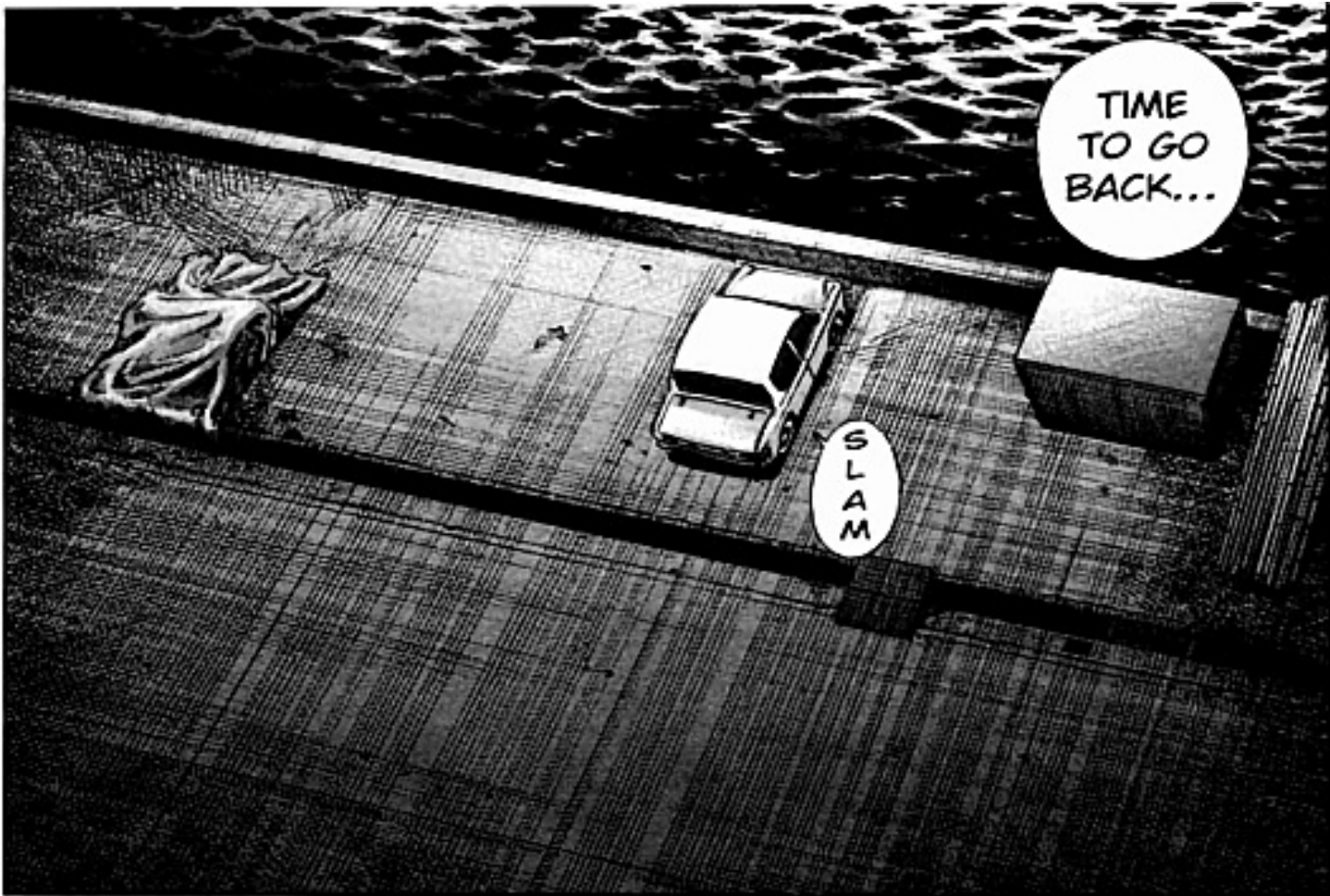
HEH.



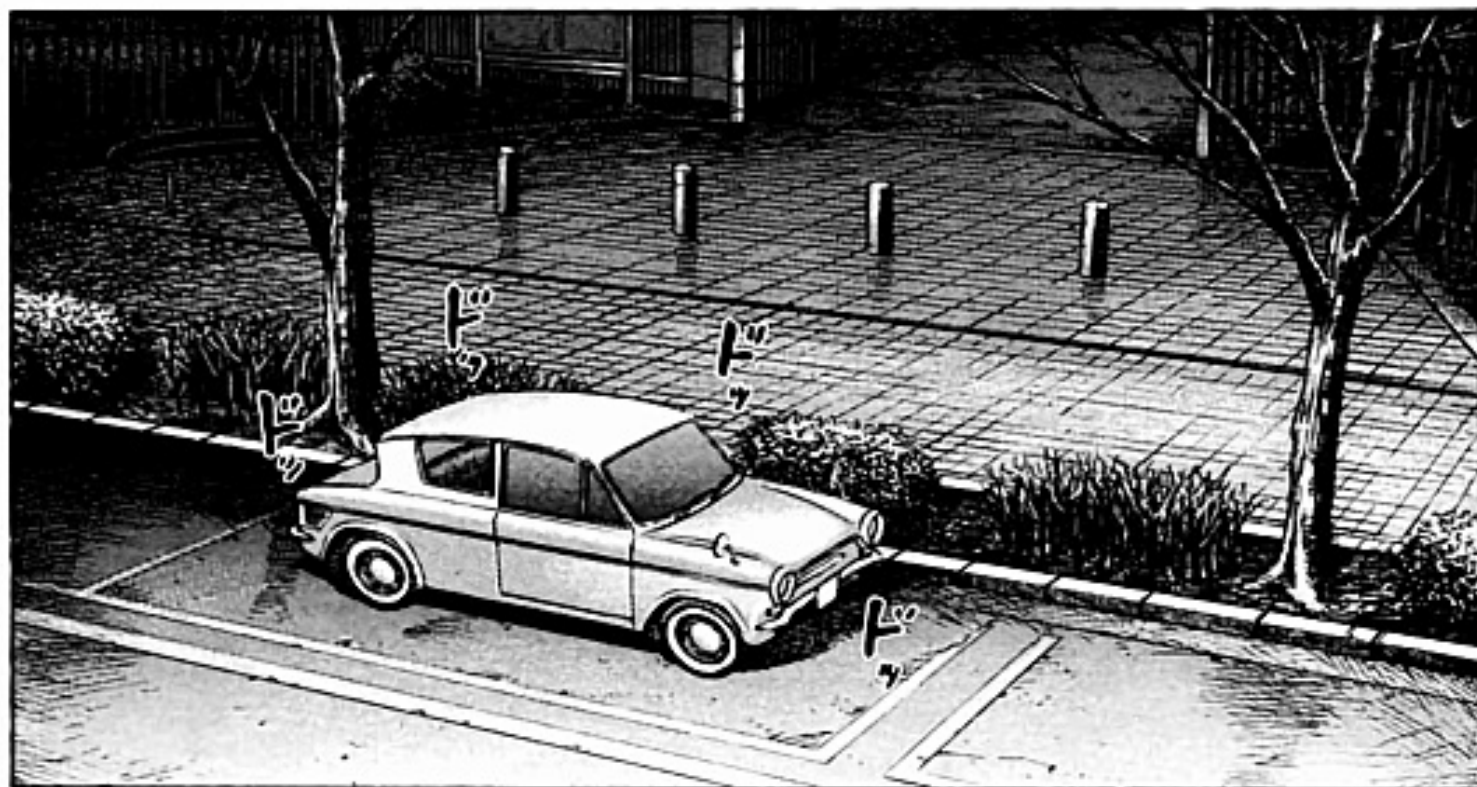






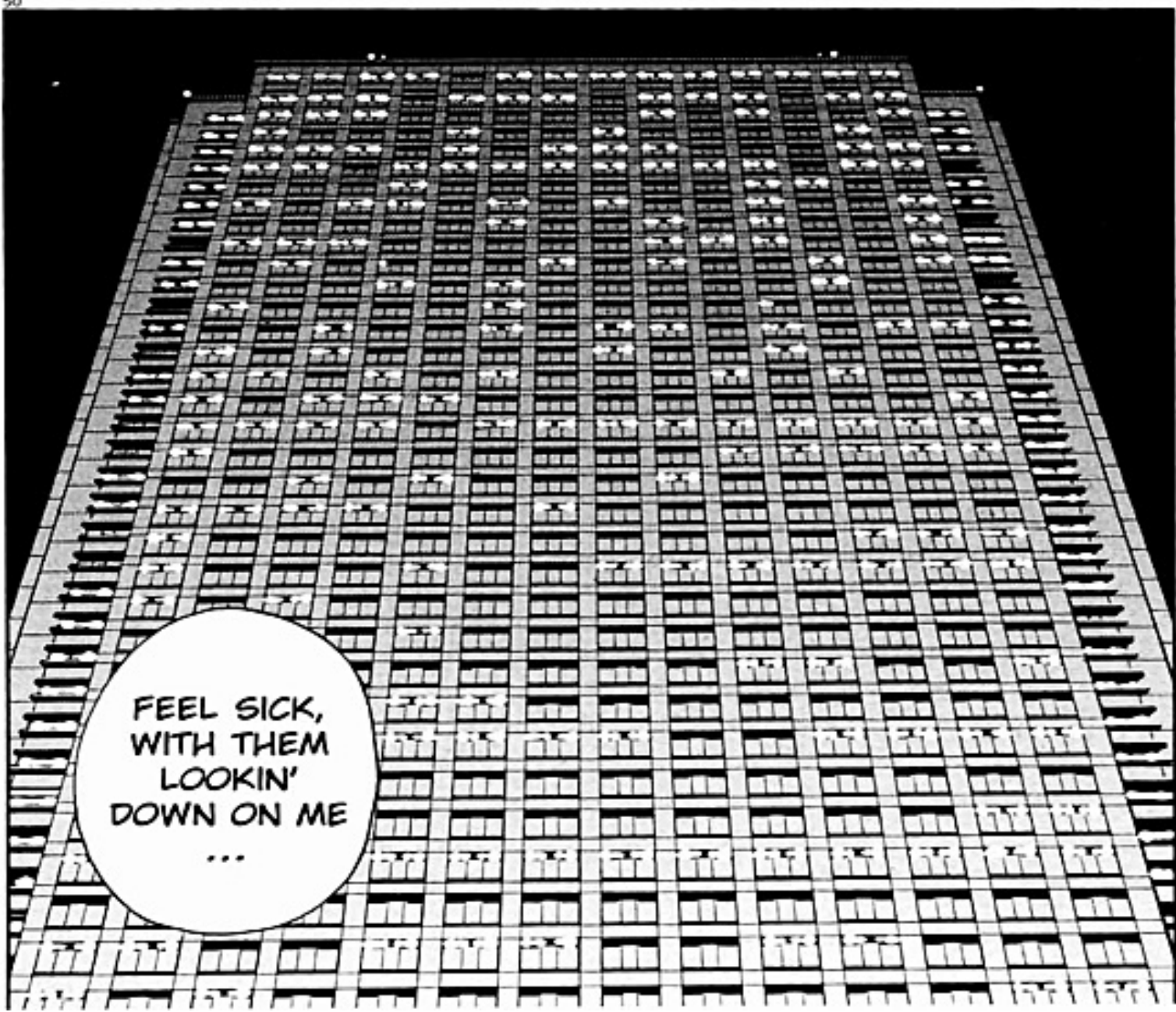






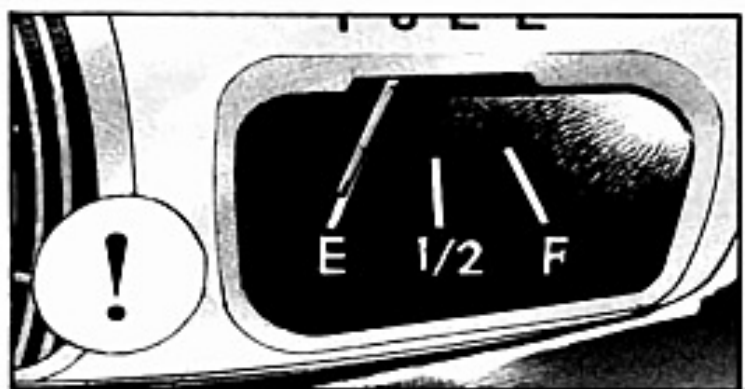
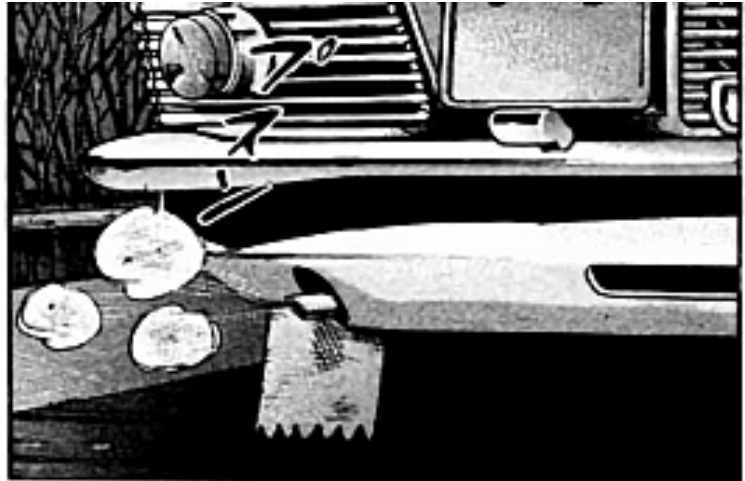


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FEEL SICK,  
WITH THEM  
LOOKIN'  
DOWN ON ME  
...















A black and white comic book panel showing a man in a dark leather jacket with elaborate, swirling patterns on the sleeves. He is leaning into the open driver-side window of a car. The man inside the car is looking at him. A speech bubble is positioned above the man leaning in.

CAN YOU  
ROLL  
DOWN THE  
WINDOW?

A close-up, black and white illustration of a man's face, shown in profile. He has a beard and is looking towards the right. A small speech bubble containing five dots is positioned above his head.

.....

A close-up, black and white illustration of a man's face, shown in profile. He is wearing a dark, textured hat. A speech bubble is positioned above his head.

I COME  
IN PEACE.



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OH,  
YOU  
SAW  
ME!

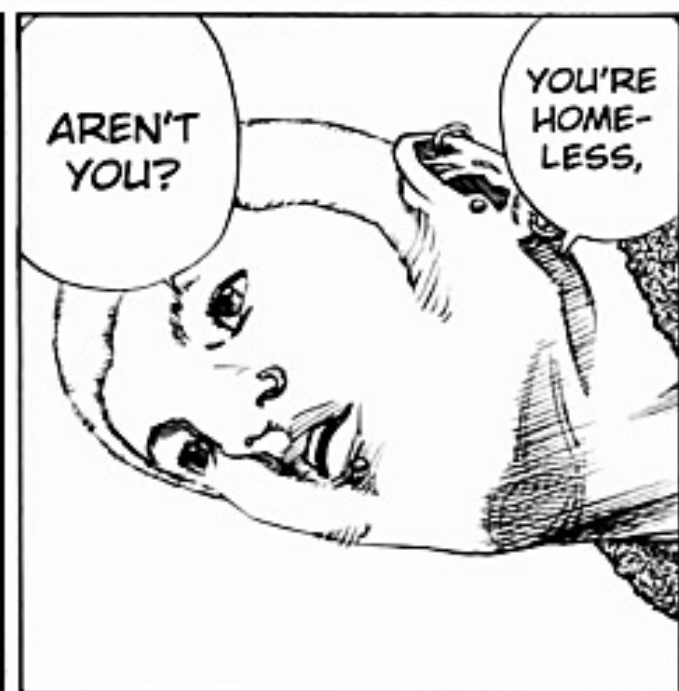
YOU WERE  
HIDING IN  
THE PARK  
EARLIER,  
WEREN'T  
YOU?



AREN'T  
YOU?

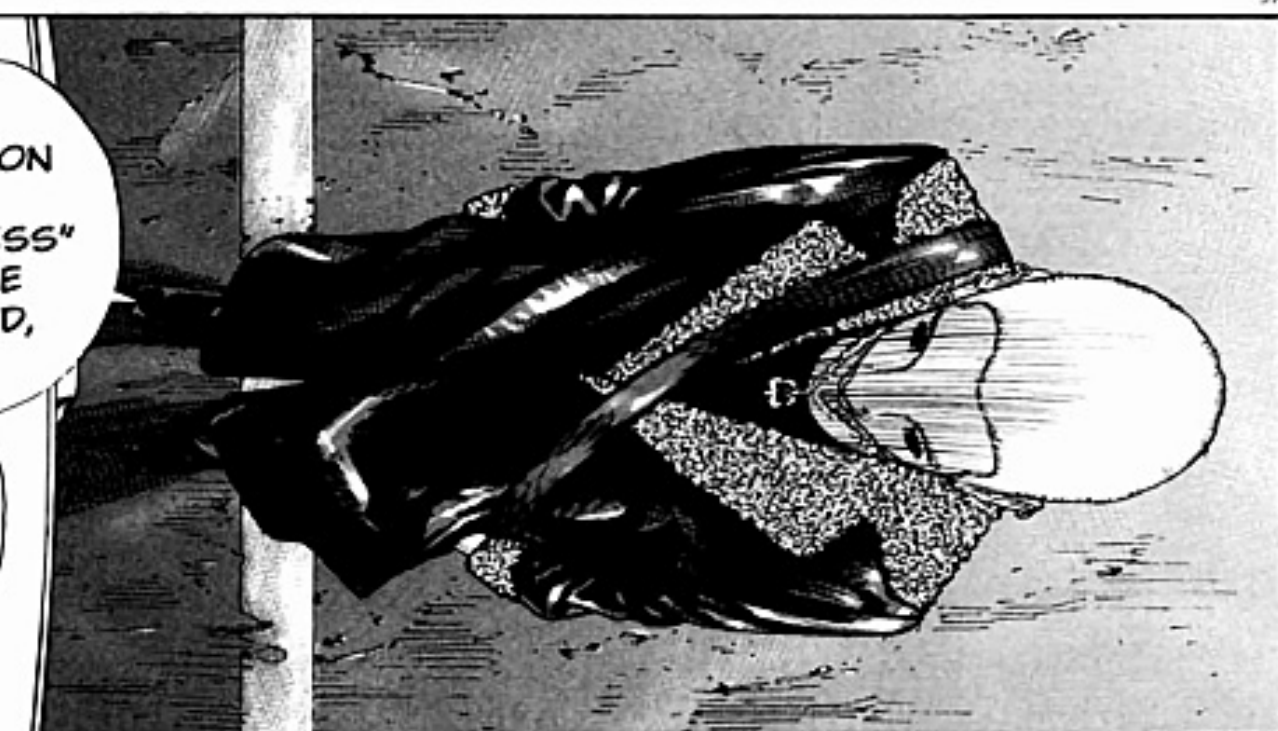
YOU'RE  
HOME-  
LESS,

WHAT  
DO YOU  
WANT?



THE  
DEFINITION  
OF  
"HOMELESS"  
CAN BE  
ARGUED,

BUT  
LET'S  
KEEP IT  
SIMPLE.





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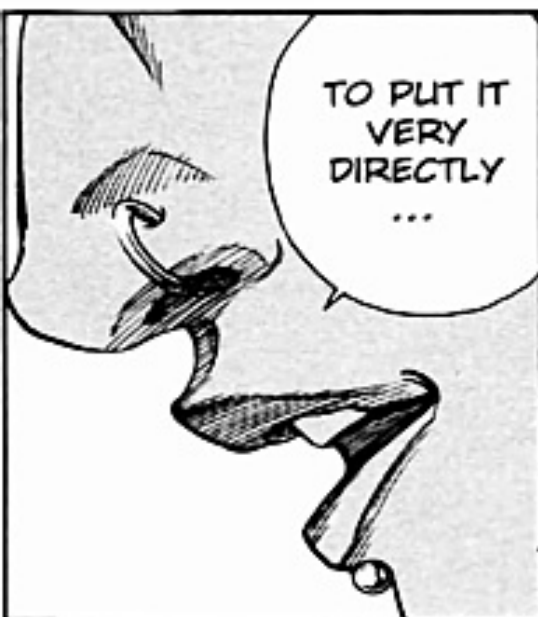


NO MONEY!

AND ...



NO HOME,  
NO JOB...



TO PUT IT  
VERY  
DIRECTLY  
...



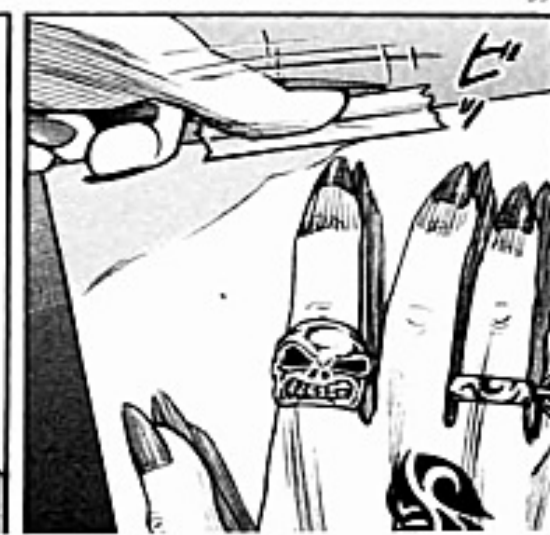
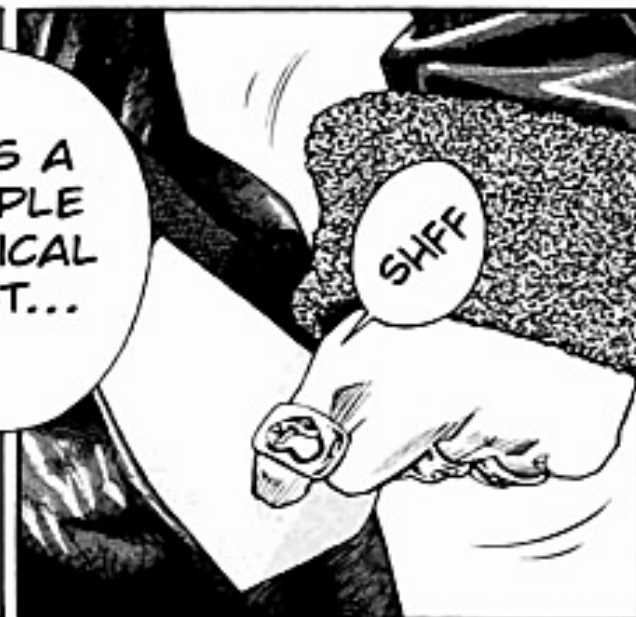
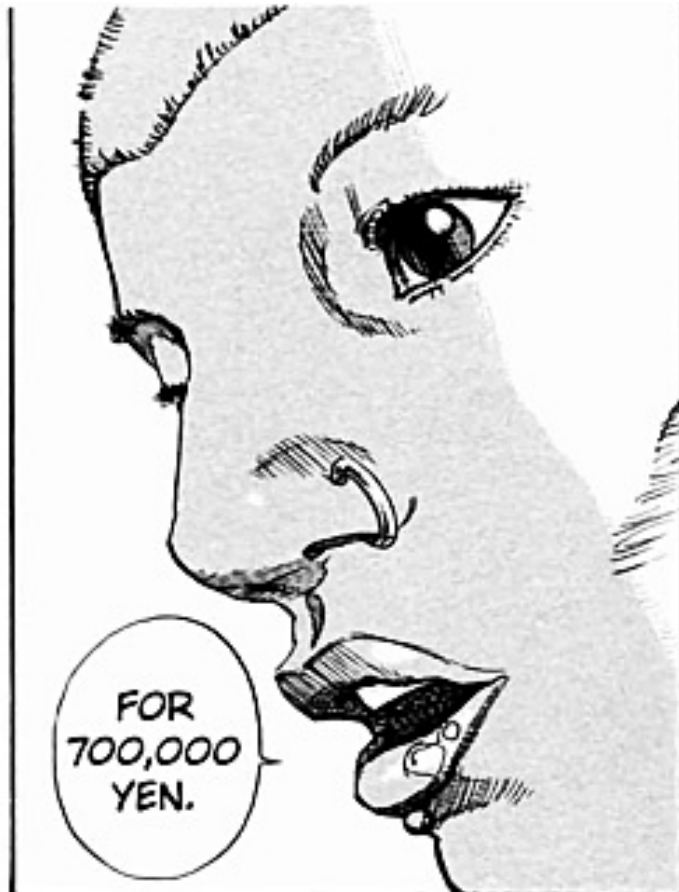
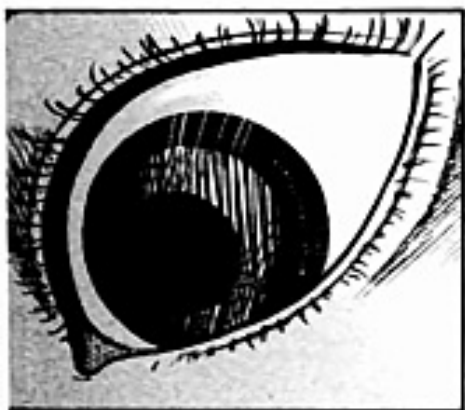
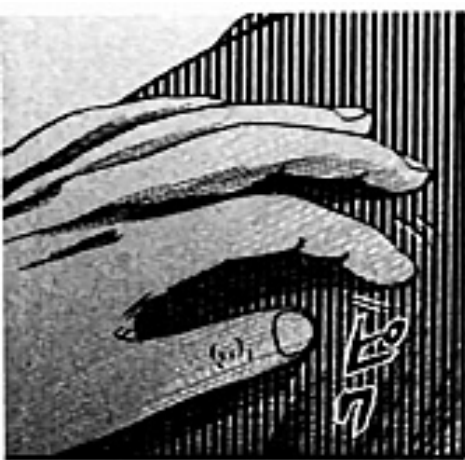
I  
APOLOGIZE,  
IF I'VE  
OFFENDED  
YOU.

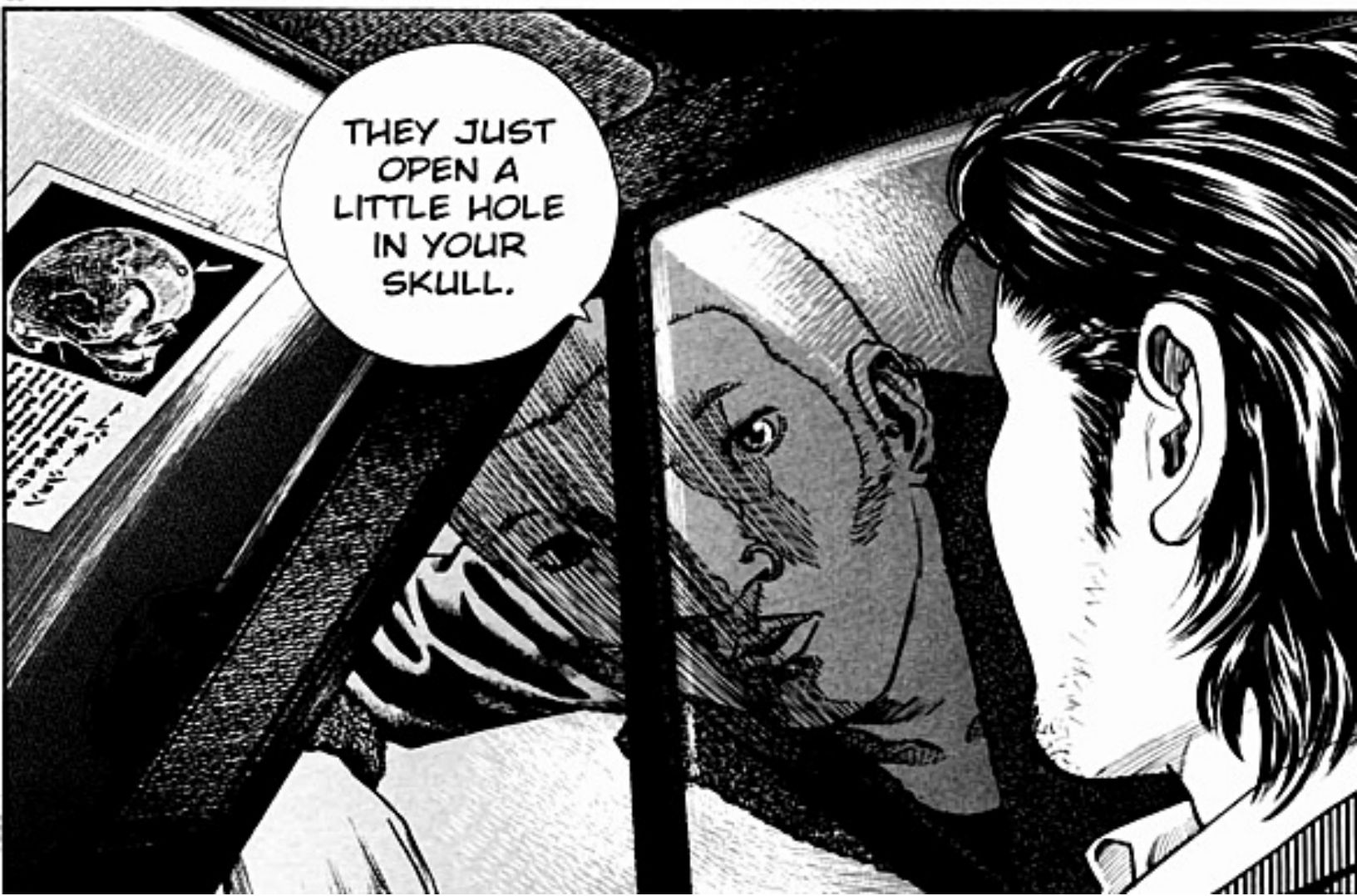
SORRY,  
I'VE  
ALWAYS  
BEEN  
SOMEWHAT  
TACTLESS.



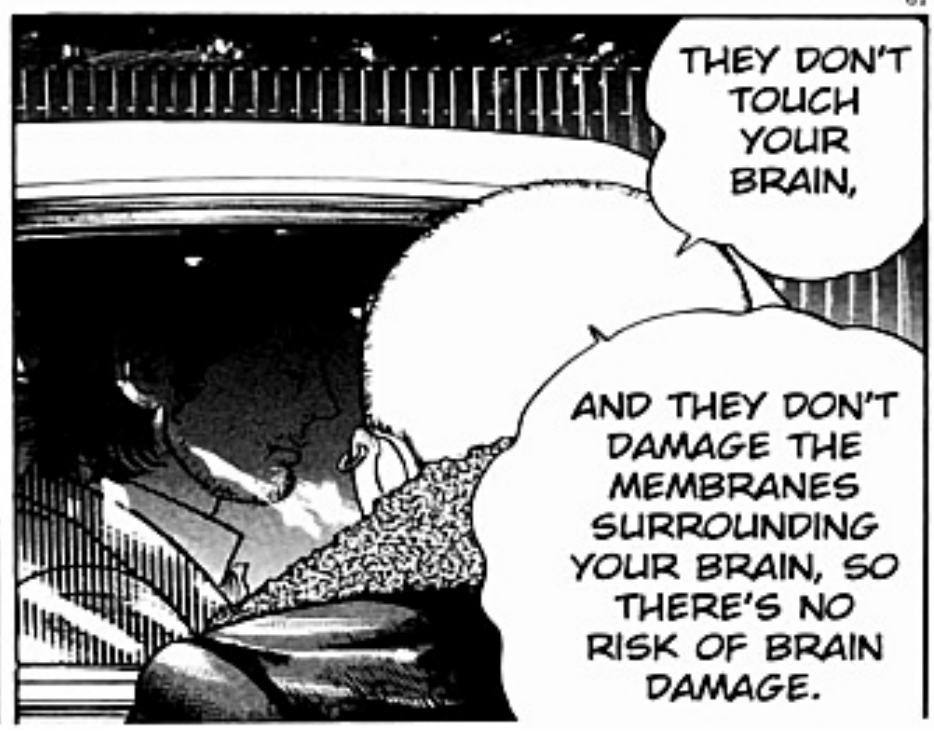
I WOULD  
LIKE TO  
OFFER YOU  
A BIT OF  
WORK.

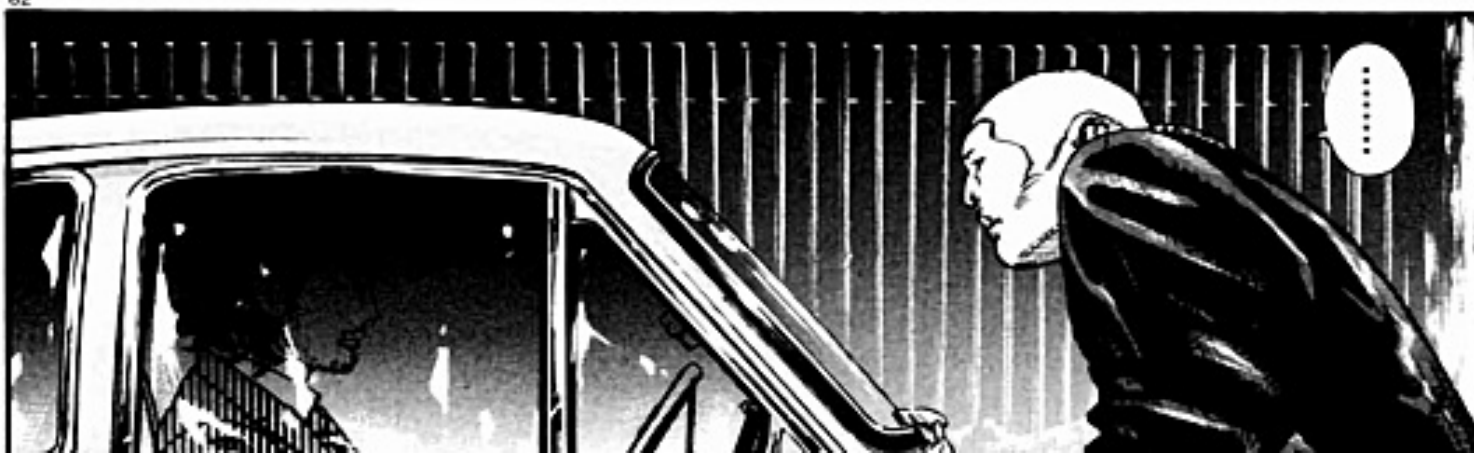










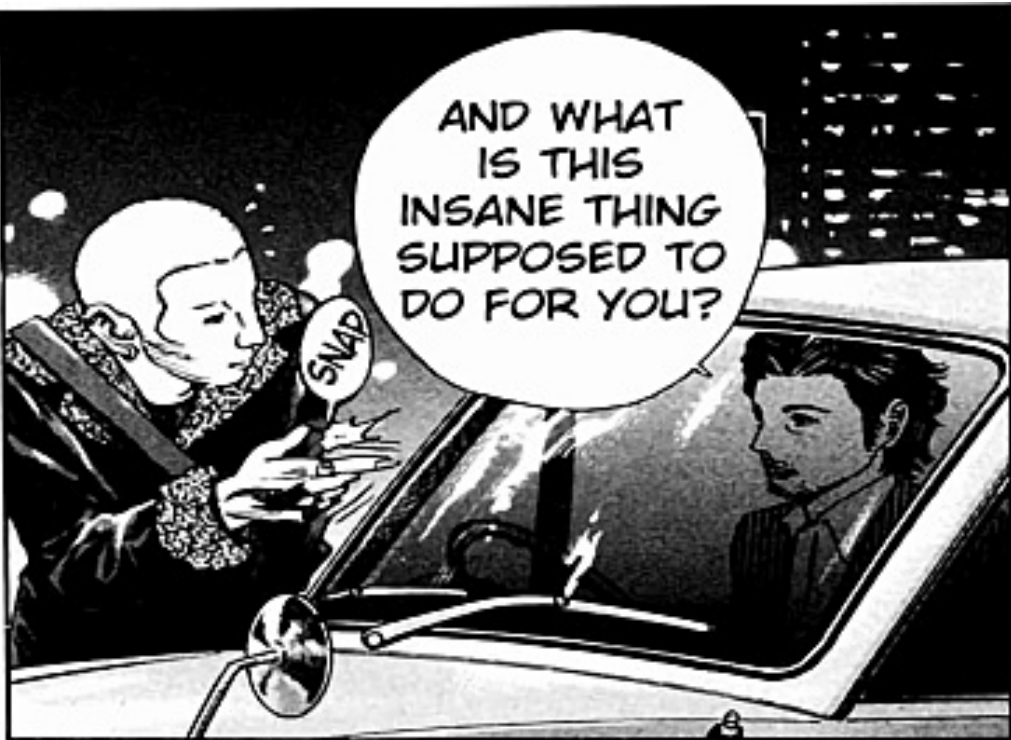






GOOD QUESTION.

THAT'S THE BEST PART!



AND WHAT IS THIS INSANE THING SUPPOSED TO DO FOR YOU?

SNAP



IT DEVELOPS YOUR SIXTH SENSE.



IN  
SHORT,  
YOU SEE  
SPIRITS,

AND GET  
ESP;  
STUFF  
LIKE  
THAT.



WHAT  
?!



NOBODY  
IN JAPAN  
HAS  
TRIED  
TREPAN-  
NATION  
YET.

I'M QUITE  
SERIOUS.



OK,  
WHAT  
CULT  
ARE  
YOU  
FROM?



IT'S  
NOTHING  
LIKE  
THAT.

NO  
NO  
NO.



I WANT  
TO SEE  
IT WITH  
MY OWN  
EYES!!





ALL RIGHT.



.....



I'LL HELP YOU MAKE IT, FOR 350 THOUSAND.

YOU GET THE HOLE IN YOUR SKULL.



NO.



WOULDN'T YOU RATHER EXPERIENCE IT YOUR-SELF?

WHY NOT?



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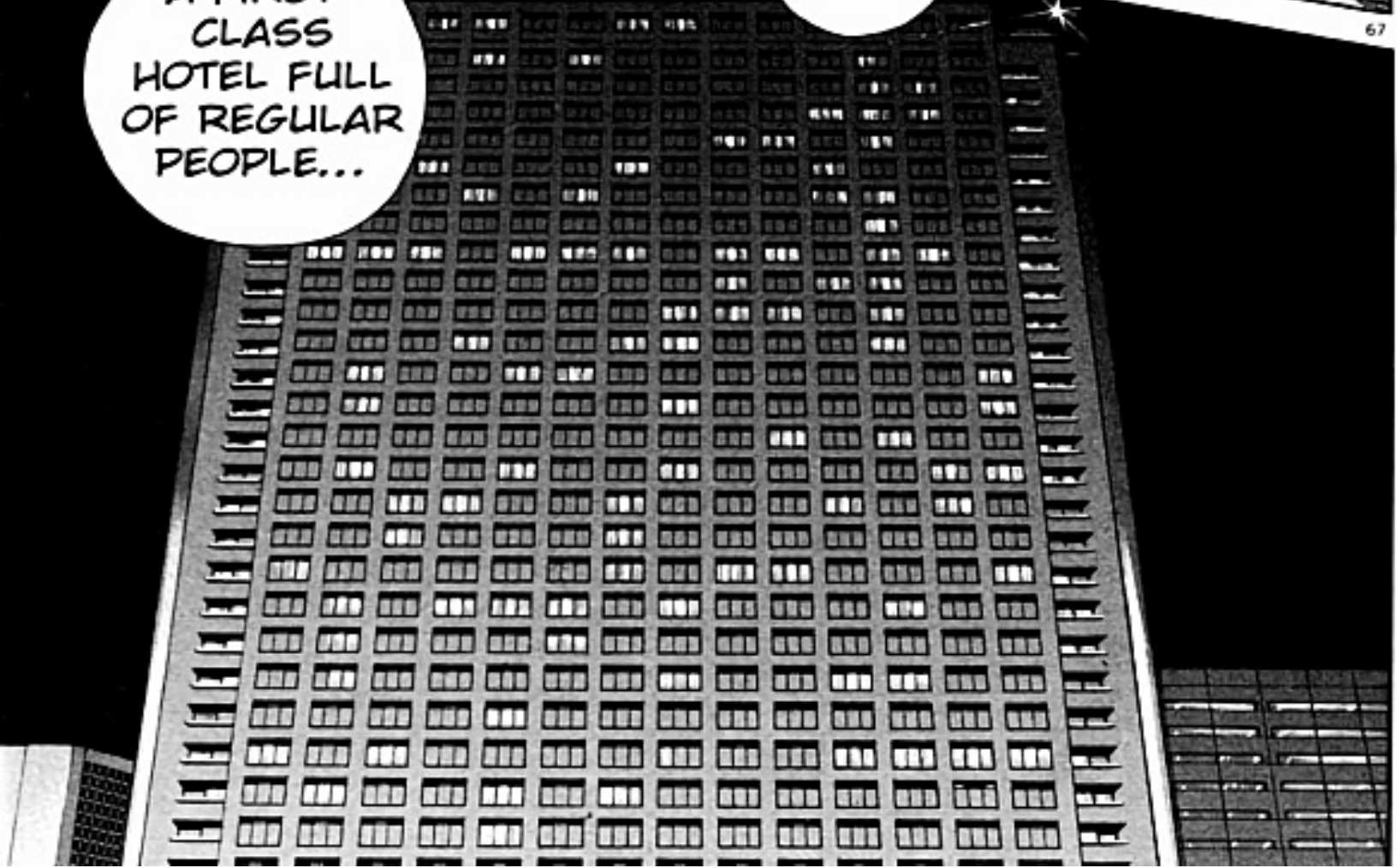




A PARK  
FULL OF  
HOMELESS,

AND...

A FIRST-  
CLASS  
HOTEL FULL  
OF REGULAR  
PEOPLE...



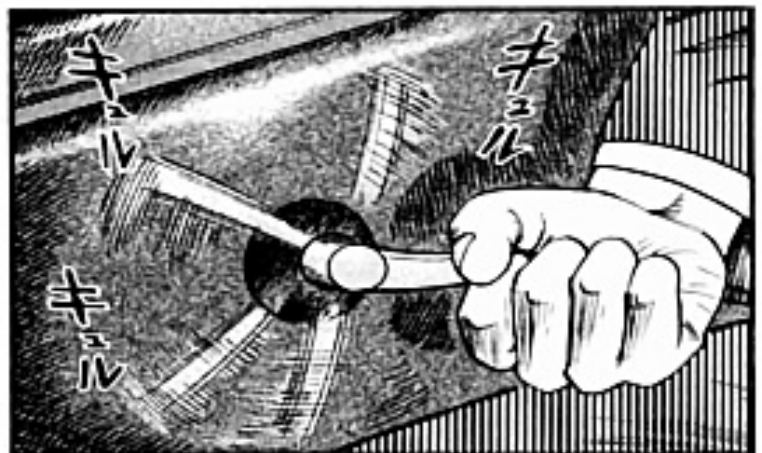
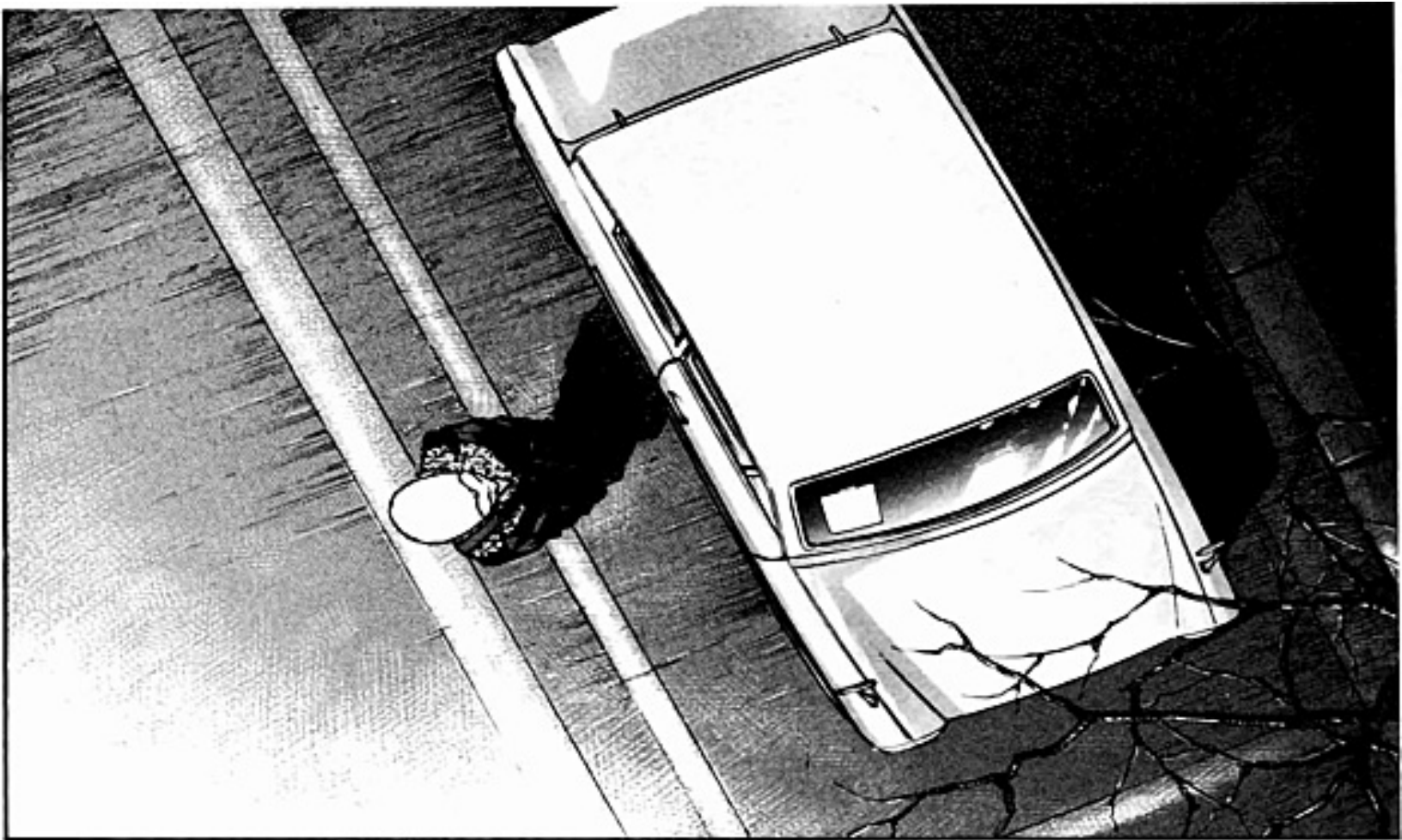




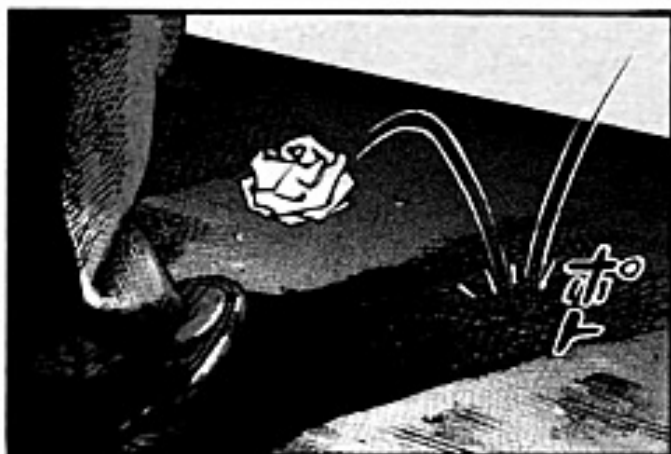
An aerial, black and white illustration of a city street intersection. The street runs diagonally from the top-left to the bottom-right. On the left side of the street, there are several cars and a crosswalk with white stripes. On the right side, there are more cars, trees, and buildings. A large speech bubble is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the image, containing the text "AND HERE YOU ARE, RIGHT BETWEEN THEM." The style is reminiscent of a comic book or a technical diagram.

AND HERE  
YOU ARE,  
RIGHT  
BETWEEN  
THEM.









TRYING TO  
"FIND  
MYSELF,"  
AS IT  
WERE.

TRY  
SOMEONE  
ELSE.



I'M JUST  
ON  
VACATION,  
EXPERI-  
MENTING  
BEING  
HOMELESS.

TUG



THE LEFT  
SIDE OF  
YOUR  
MOUTH  
RISES WHEN  
YOU LIE.

!?



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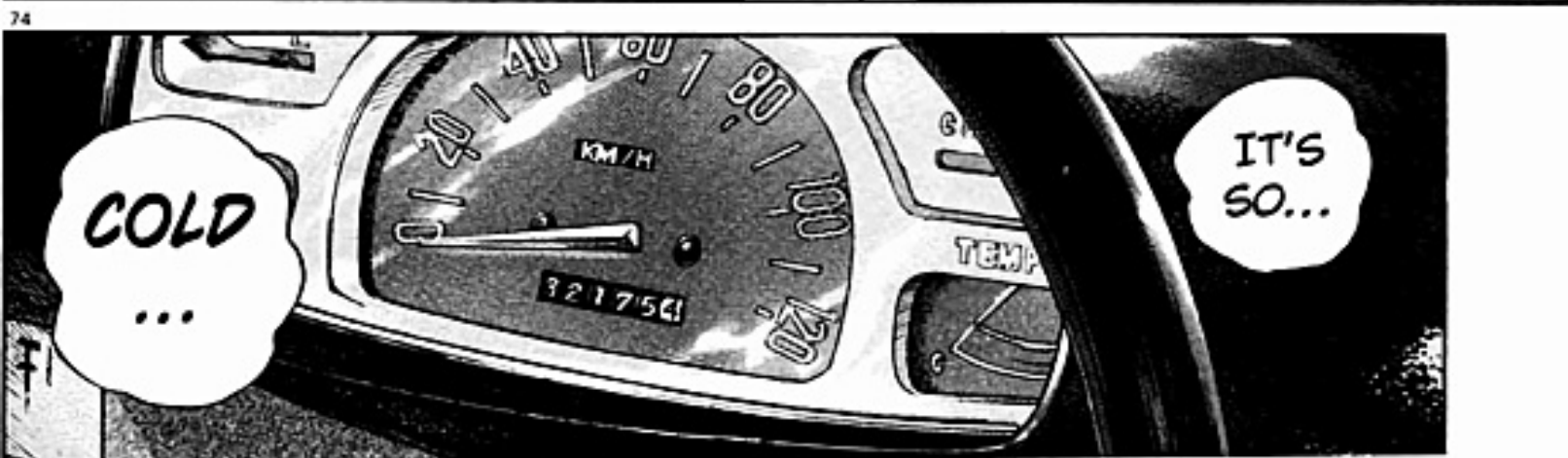
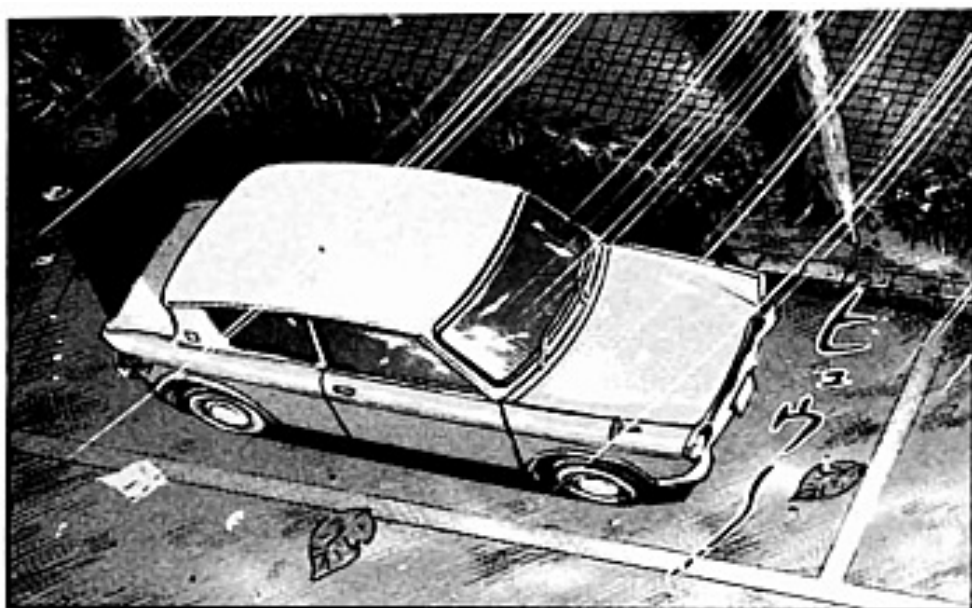
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BAD.



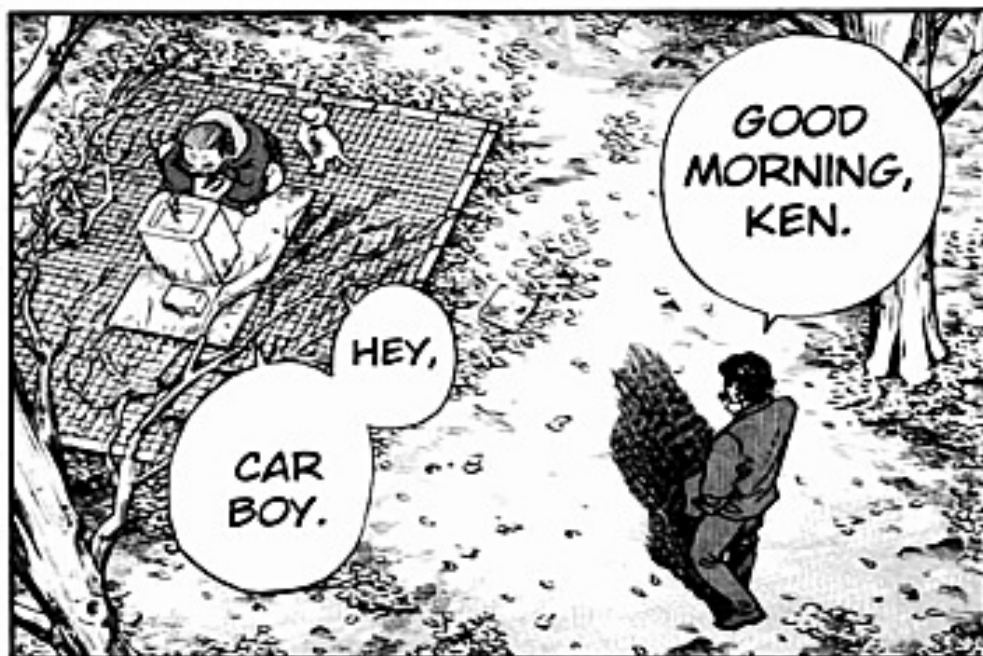
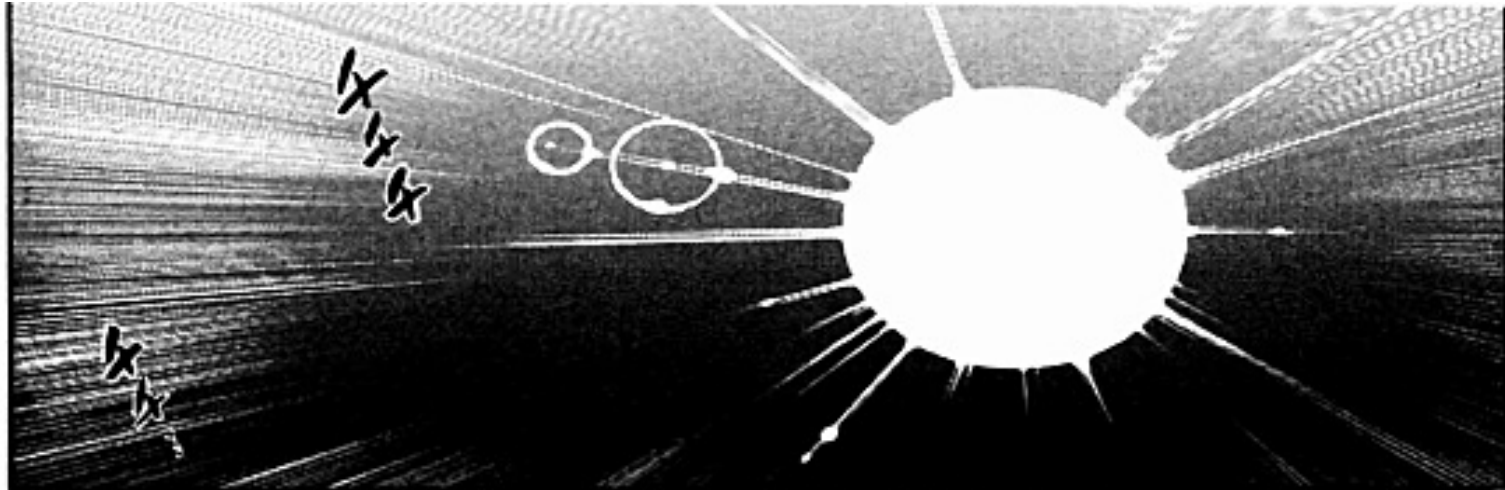
I  
THOUGHT  
YOU WERE  
PERFECT  
FOR THE  
JOB...













YOU WANT IT?

I JUST FOUND THAT BLANKET A WHILE AGO.



LOOK.

GOOD TIMIN', THOUGH.



I SEE.

I WAS JUST GOING TO GET ONE FROM A FRIEND.



I'M FINE.



HA HA HA HA.



HOW DOES EVERYONE MAKE THEIR MONEY?

ANYWAYS ...



WE'RE HOMELESS BECAUSE WE DON'T GOT ANY MONEY.







BUT IN THE END,  
IT'S NEVER ENOUGH  
...

WELL, SOME OF US MAKE CHANGE BY CRUSHIN' CANS, COLLECTIN' BOOKS, SCALPIN' TICKETS,



YOUR-SELF ...?



THE ONLY OTHER THING TO DO IS SELL YOURSELF.

!?



...  
AHH.




YOUR REGISTRY, OR YOUR ORGANS.

!



700  
THOUSAND  
...



WITH THE RIGHT  
BUYER, YOU CAN GET  
700 THOUSAND FOR  
YOUR REGISTRY.

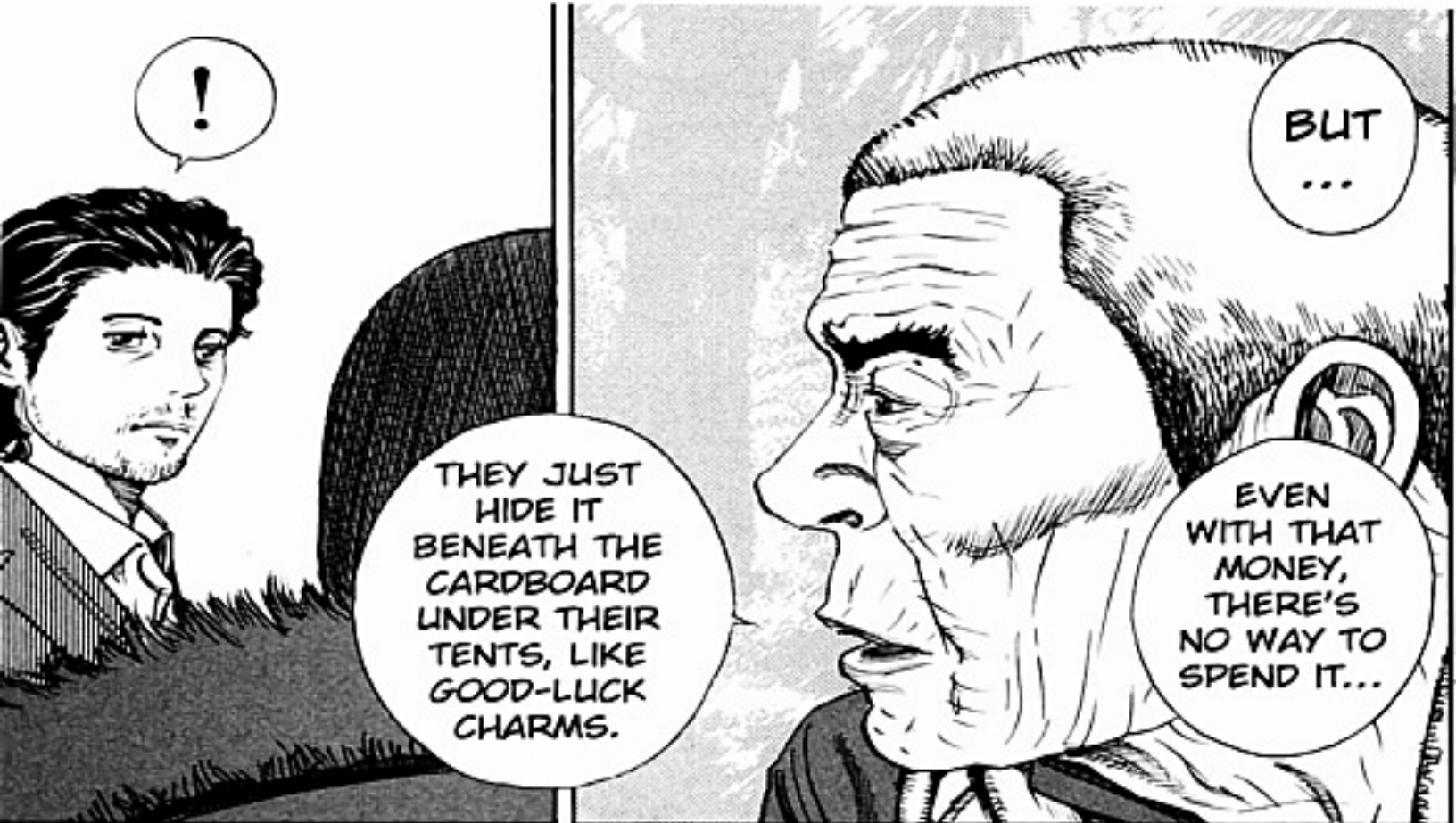


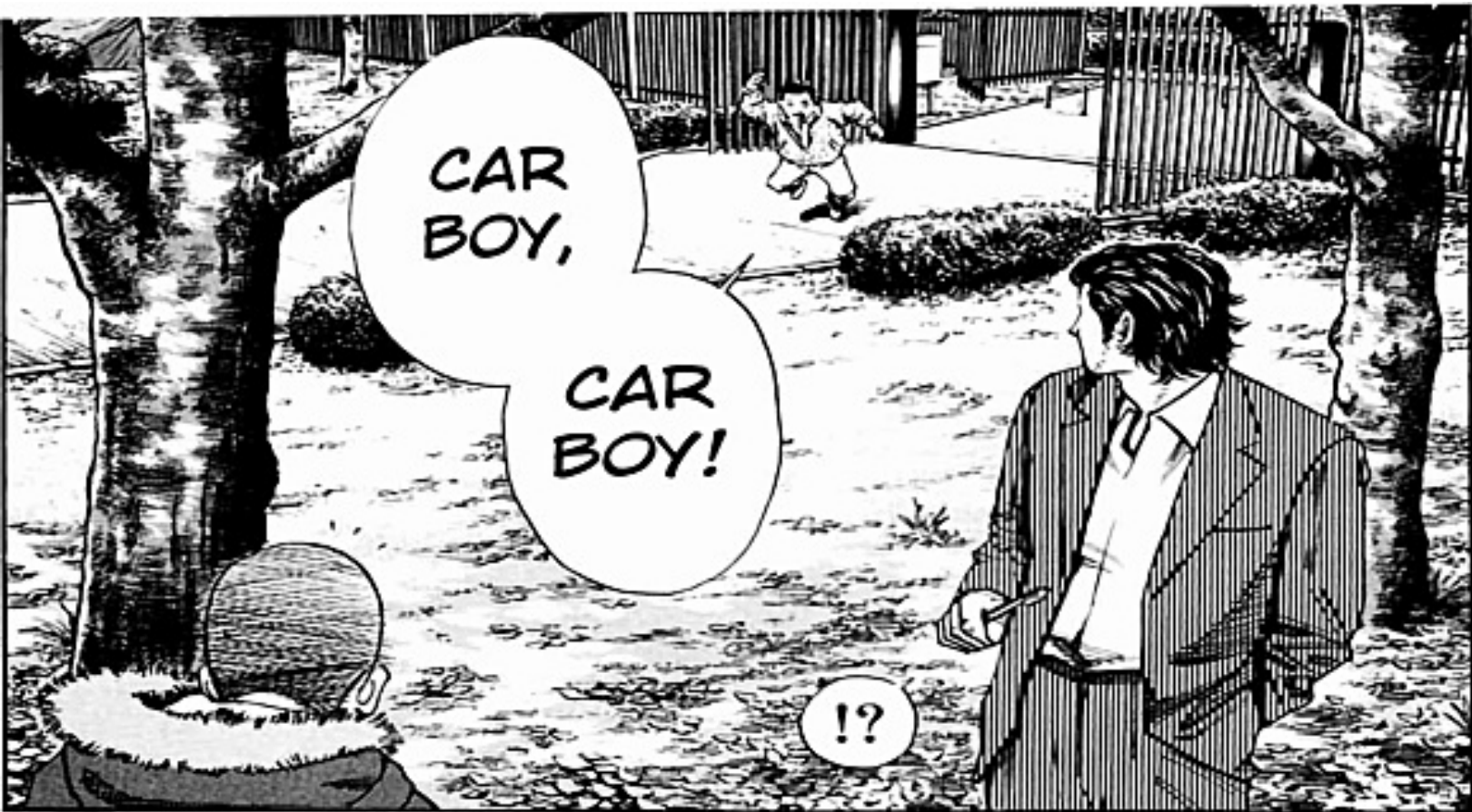
SOME  
OF US  
HAVE  
DONE  
THAT.



MEN  
THAT NO  
LONGER  
EXIST IN  
THIS WORLD  
...

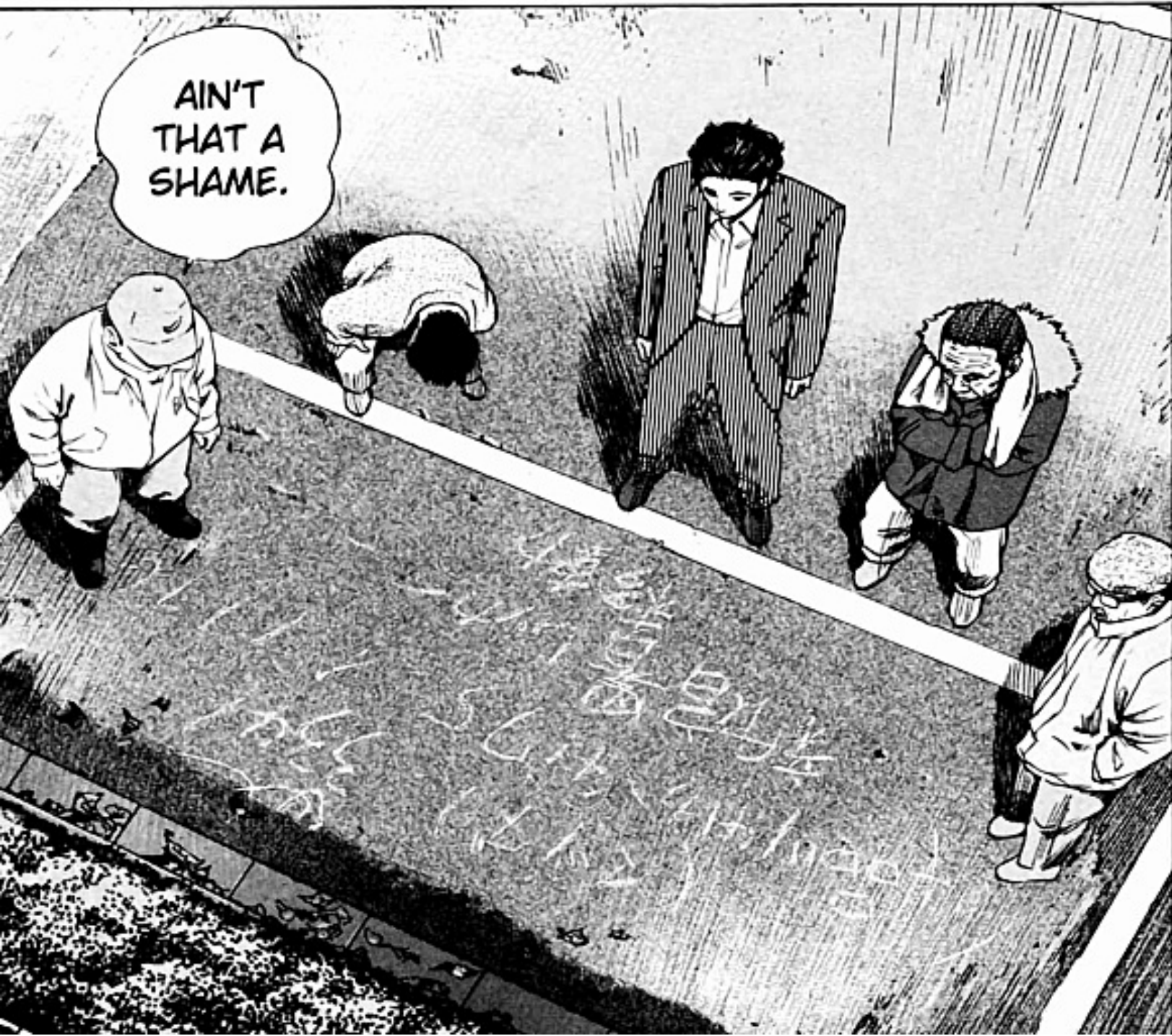








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I DOUBT YOU'LL  
GET YER CAR  
BACK WITHOUT  
PAYIN' 20-30  
THOUSAND IN  
PENALTIES AND  
TOWING FEES.

THOSE  
TOWERS,  
THEY COST  
A BUNCH,  
HUH?

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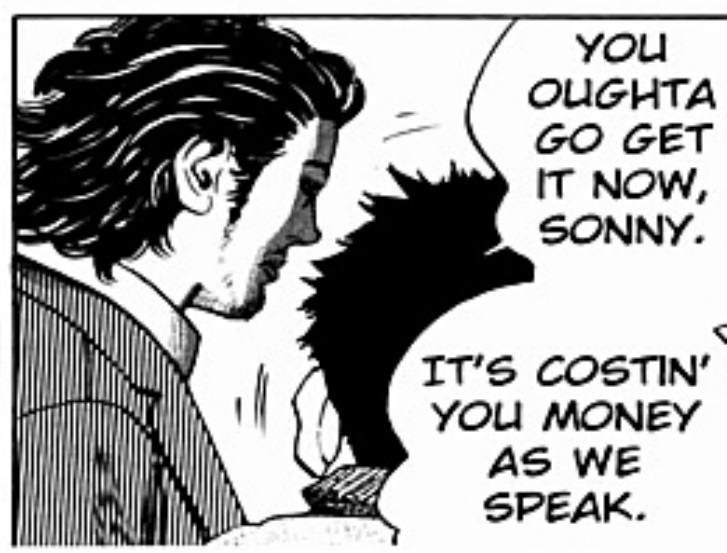


MMM-  
HMM.

AND THE  
LONGER YOU  
TAKE, THE  
HIGHER THE  
PARKING  
COSTS GO.



THAT'S  
TERRI-  
BLE!

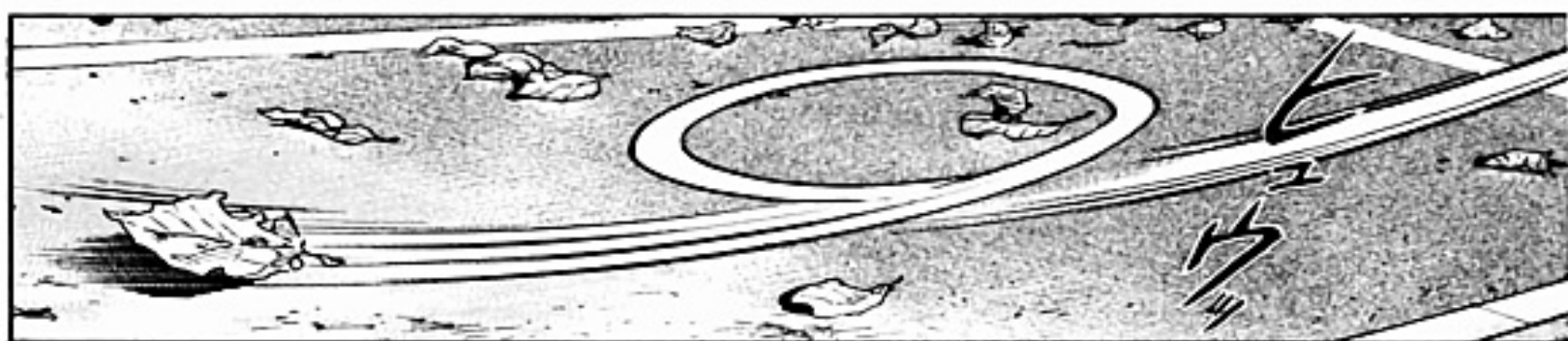


YOU  
OUGHTA  
GO GET  
IT NOW,  
SONNY.

IT'S COSTIN'  
YOU MONEY  
AS WE  
SPEAK.











Find a job  
that  
keeps  
you  
honest to  
yourself





Honest



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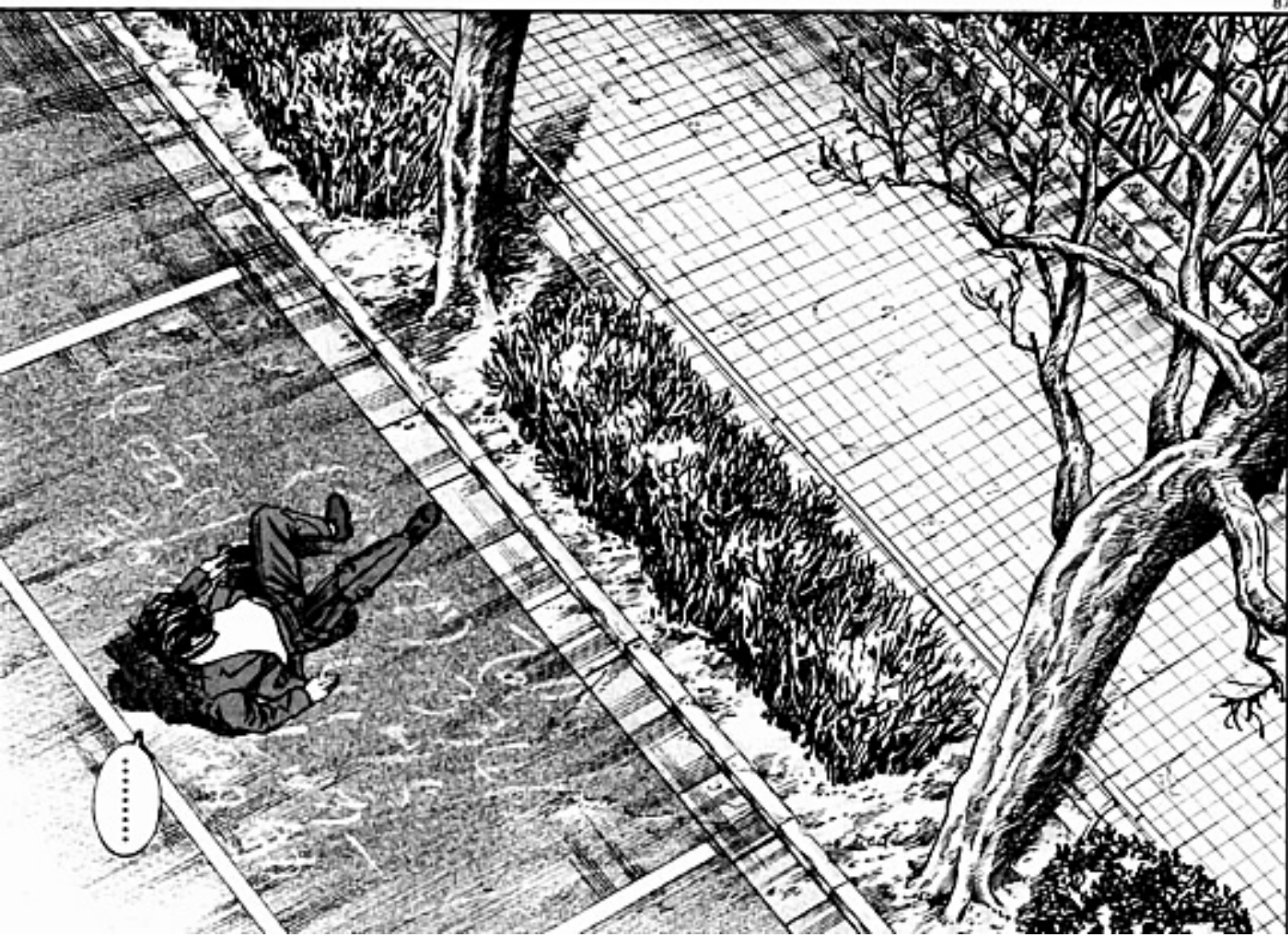


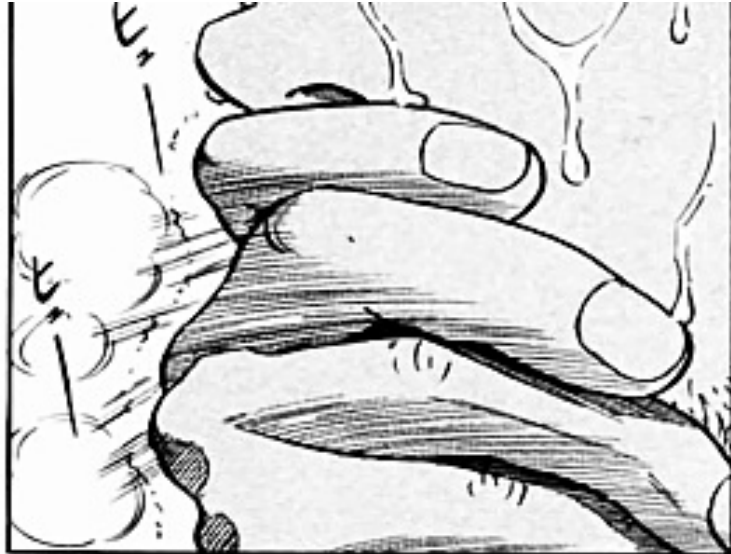
NO...

DON'  
WANNA  
GO  
BACK...

NOT  
GOIN'  
BACK  
...







WITH OUT MY CAR...

FEEL SICK ...







GASP

GASP

GASP

GASP





KEN,  
YOU  
THERE  
?



KEN.



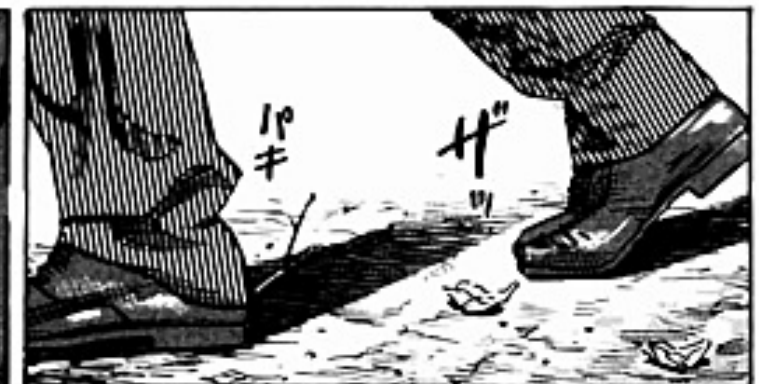
I NEED...  
TO BORRY  
SOME  
MONEY...



KEN  
...



HELP

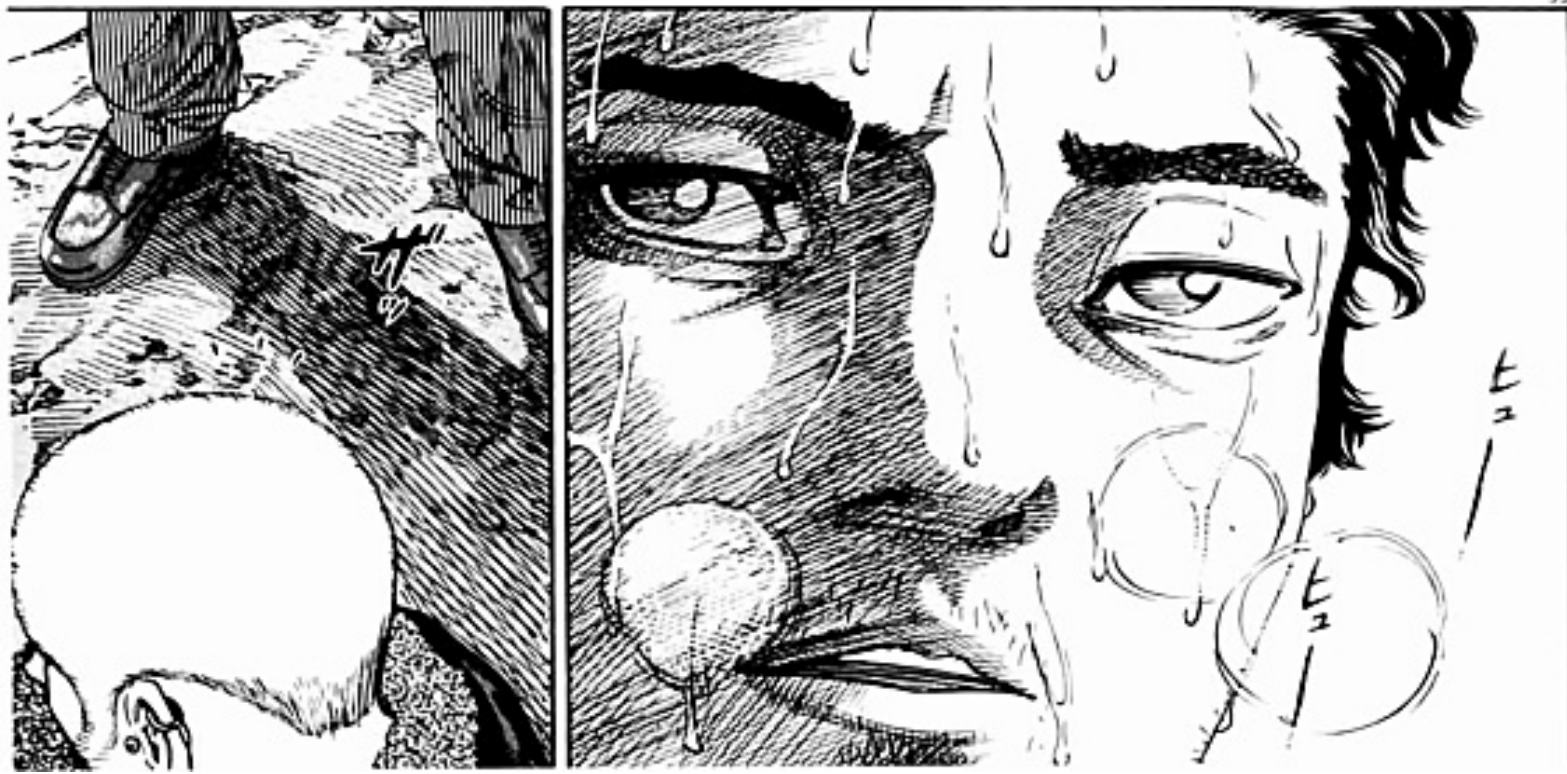


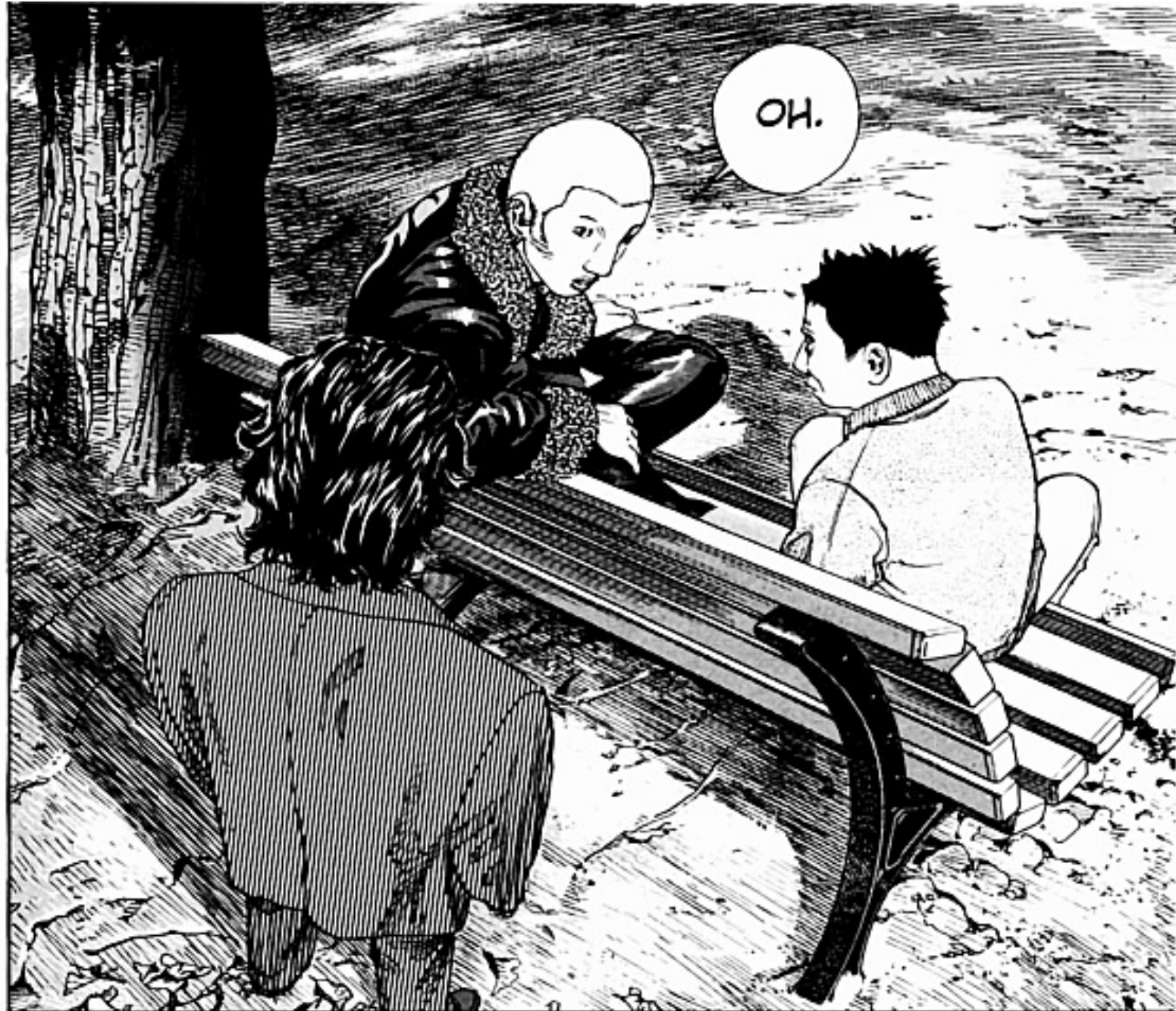






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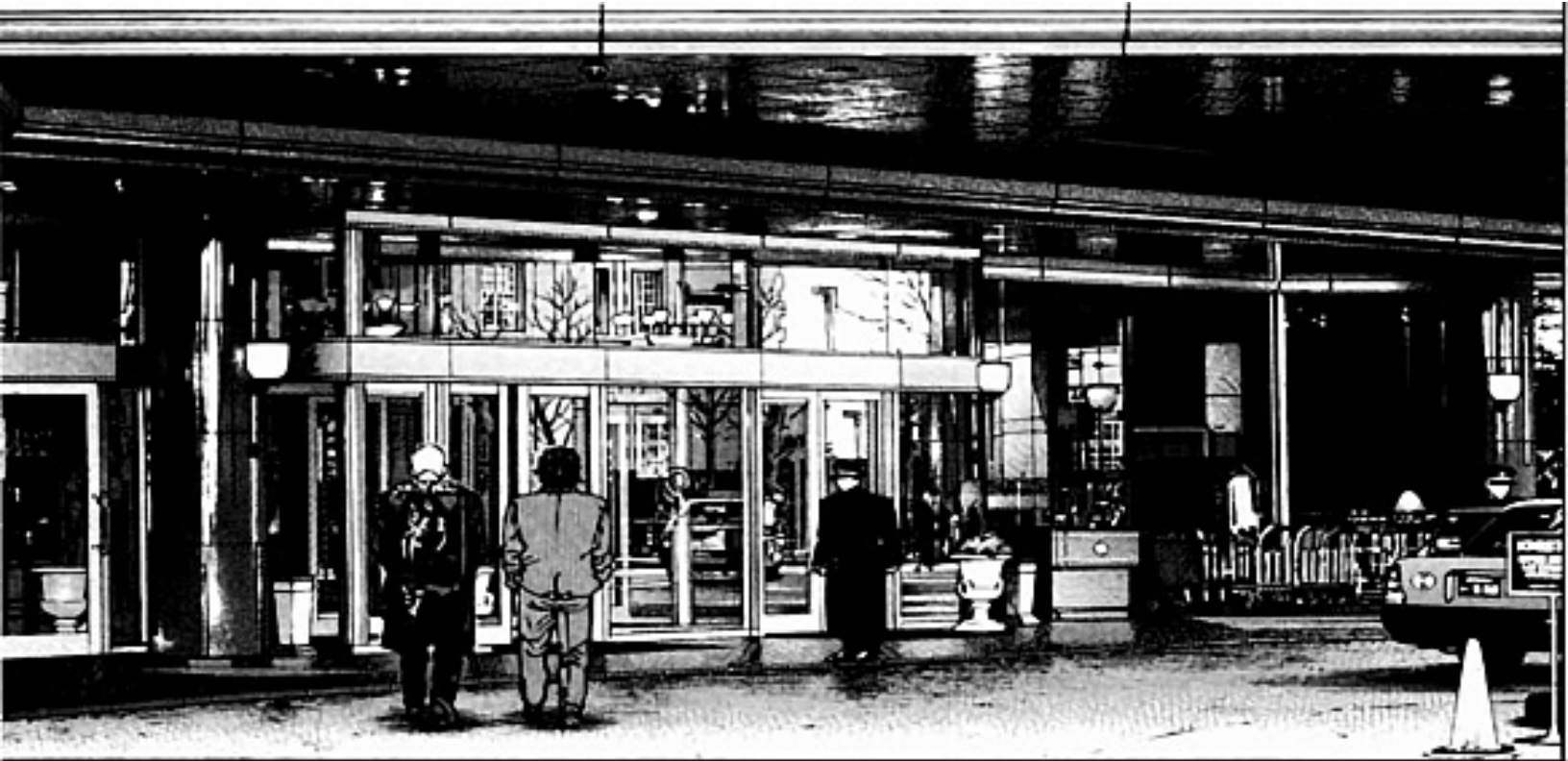


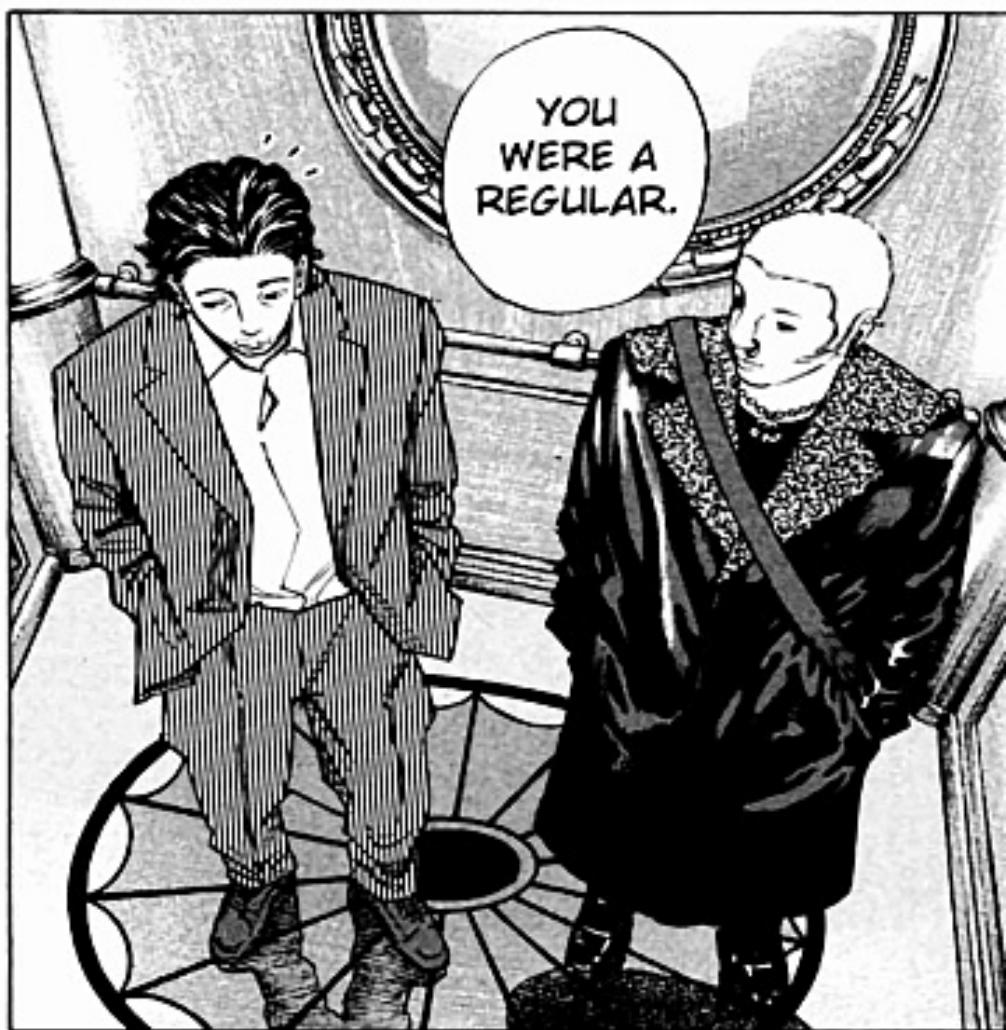




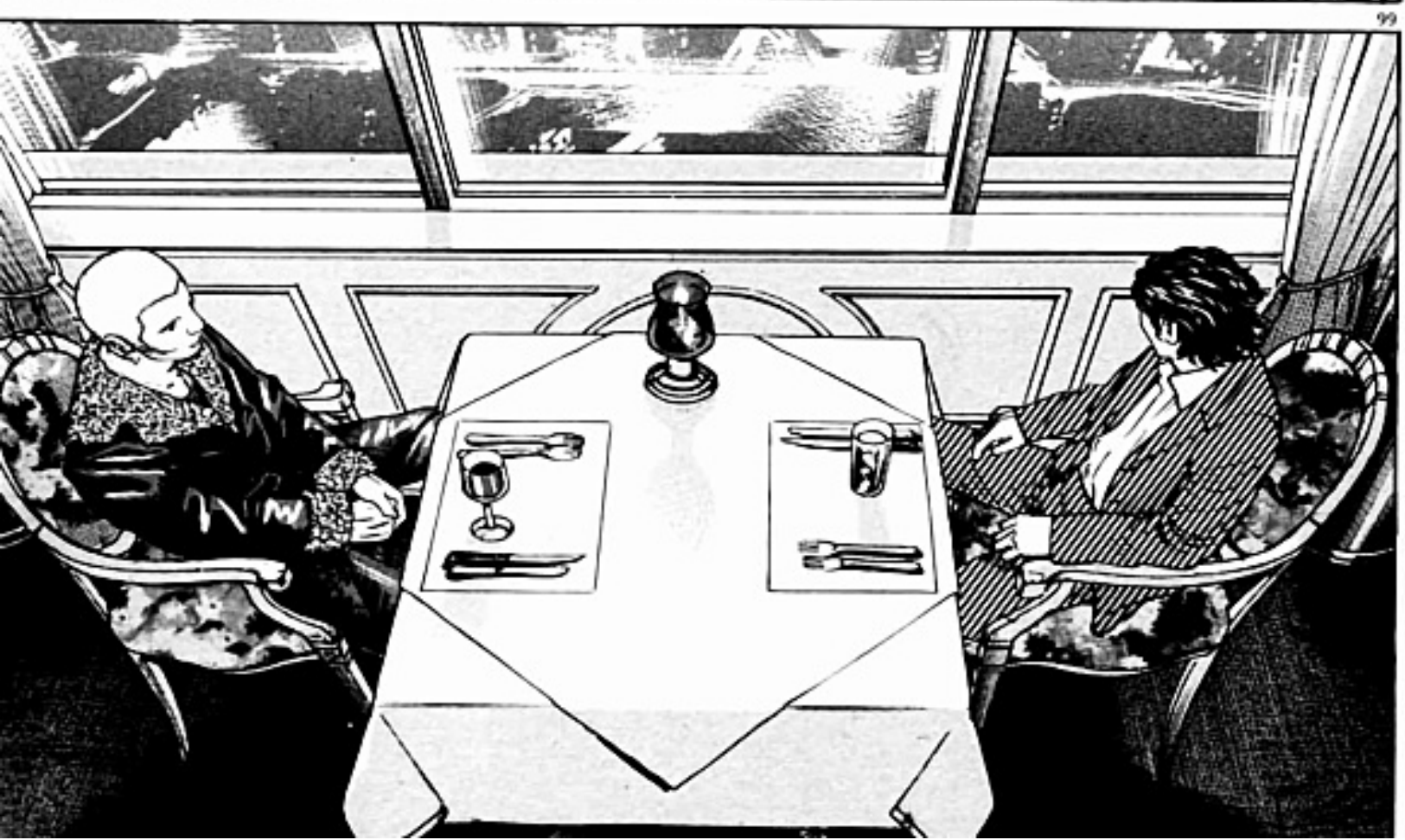
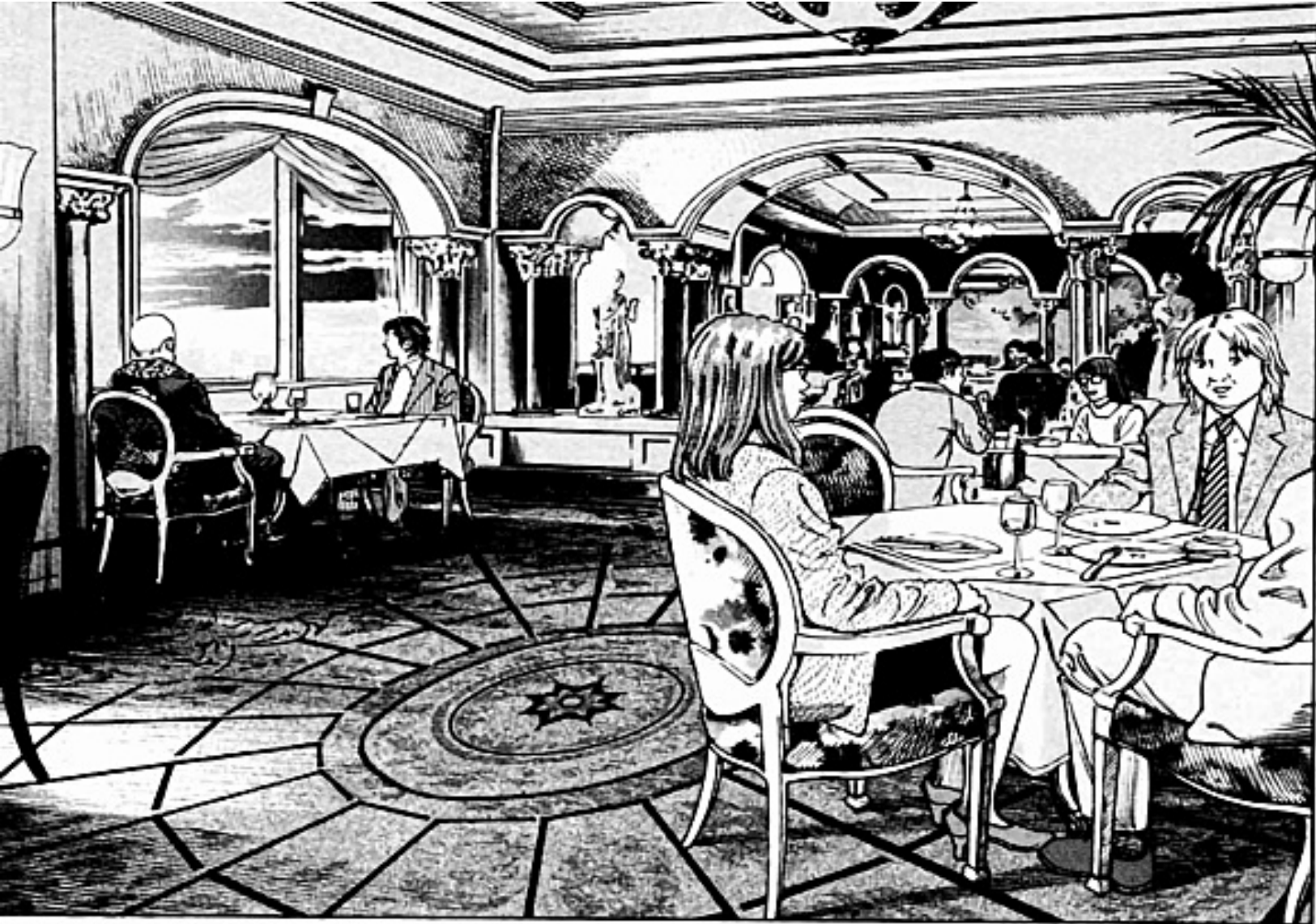














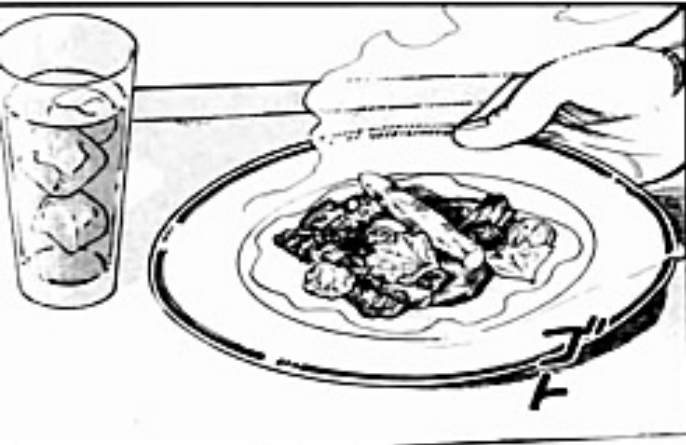
IT'S A  
SORRY  
SIGHT, ANY  
WAY YOU  
LOOK AT IT

...

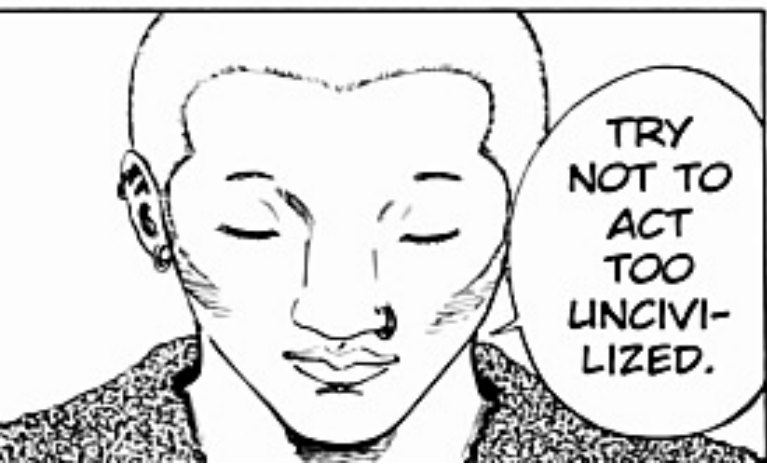




WHAT THE HELL IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HERE AND THERE?



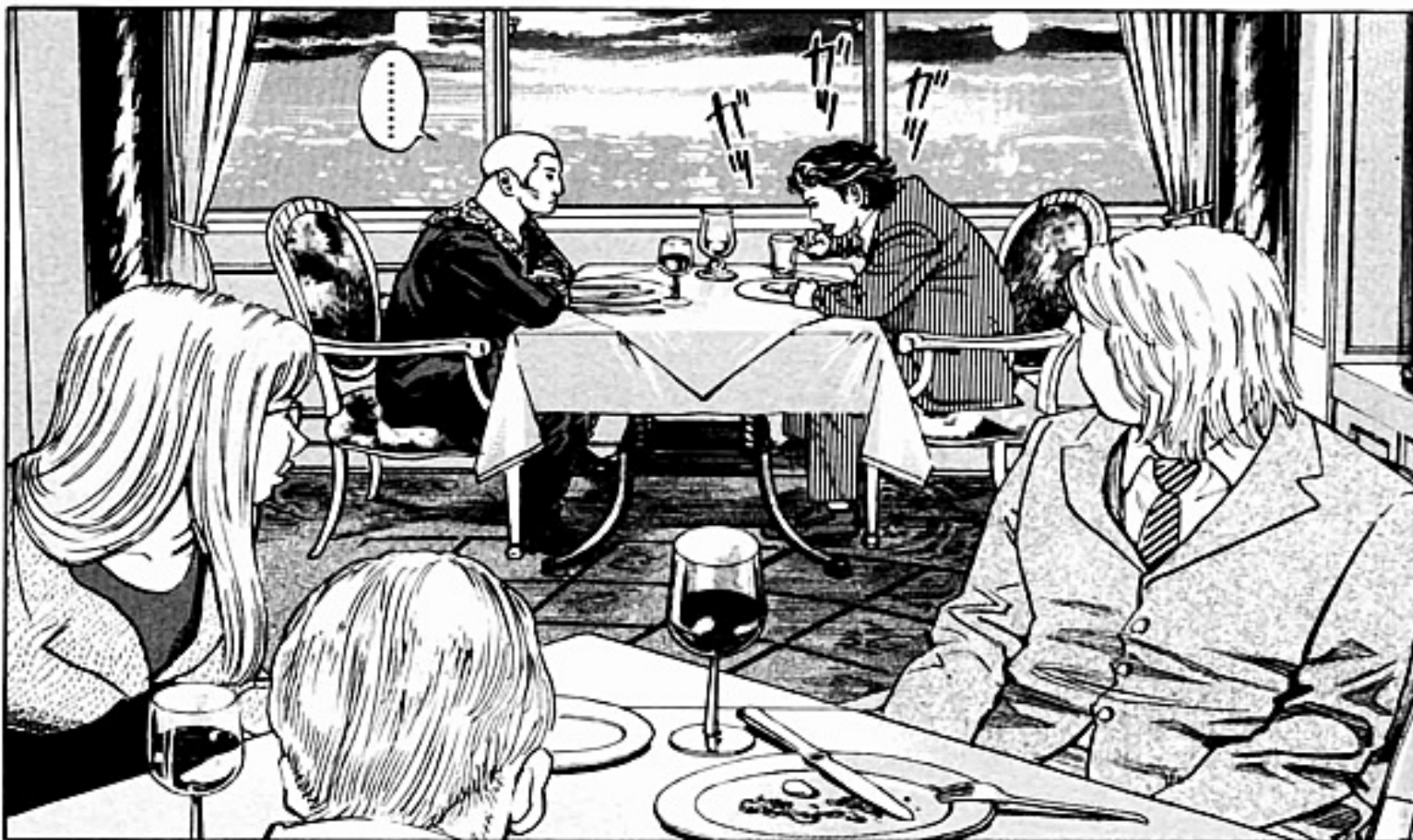
HERE IS YOUR FOOD.



TRY NOT TO ACT TOO UNCIVILIZED.



THE FOOD HERE SURE LOOKS BETTER.



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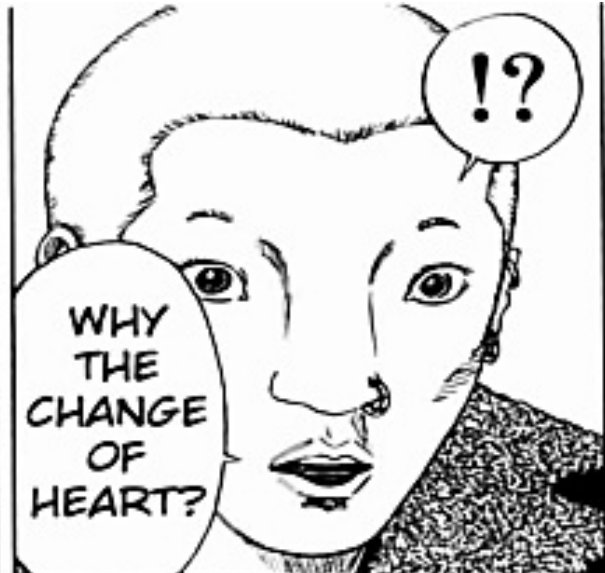




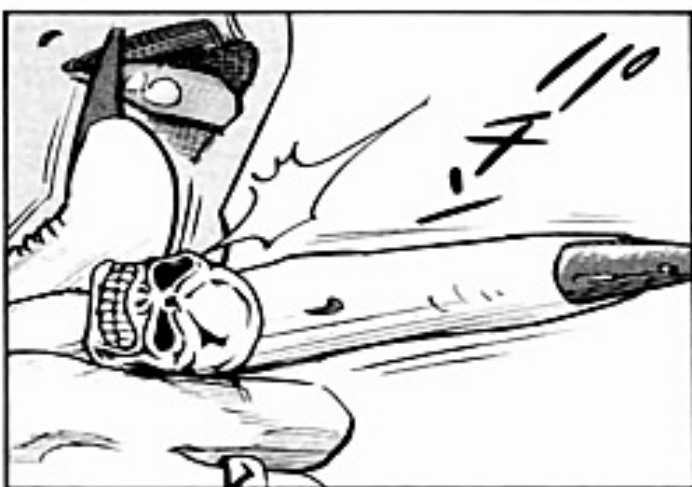




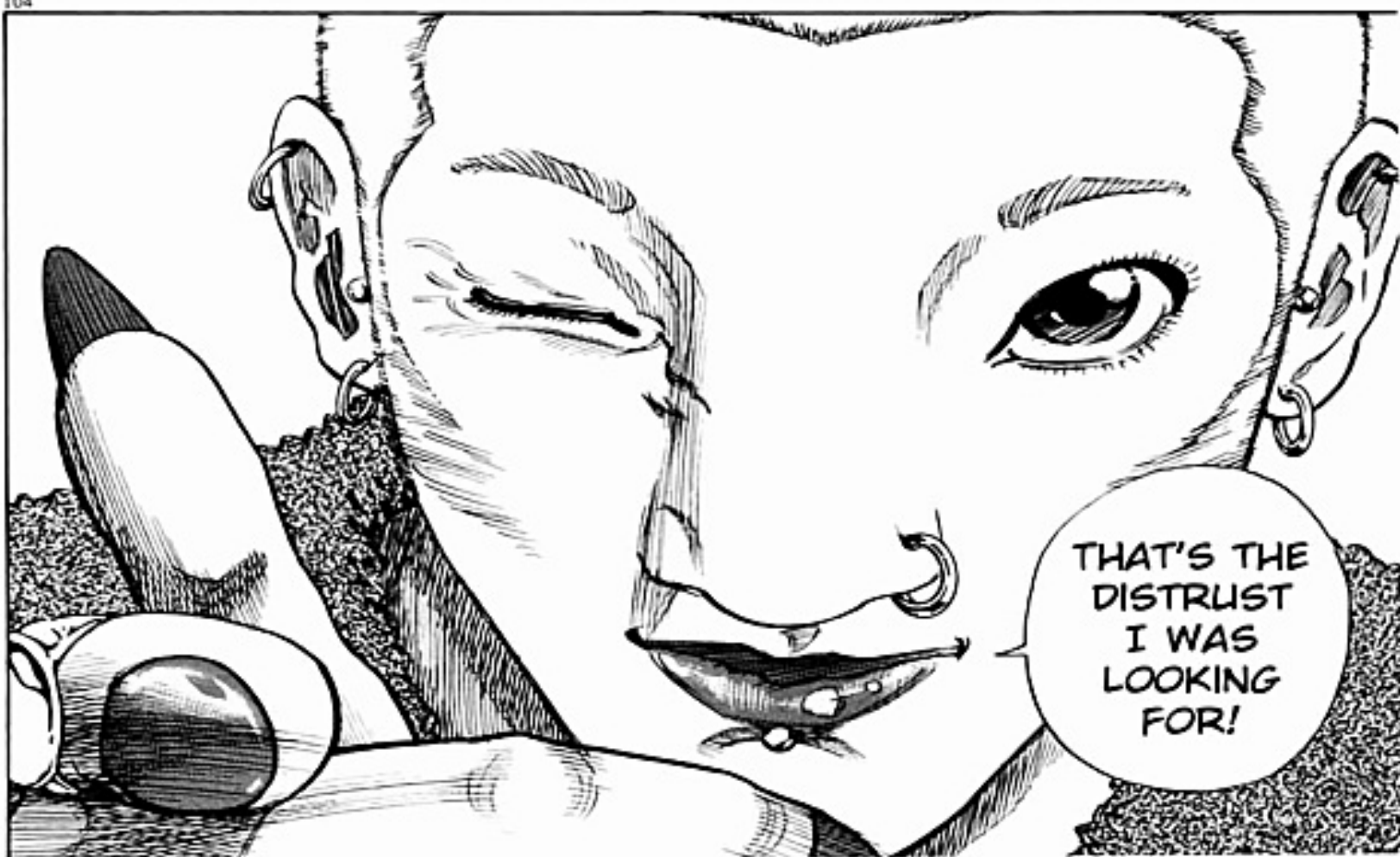
WASN'T IT YOU?



WHY THE CHANGE OF HEART?



WHO HAD MY CAR TOWED.



THAT'S THE DISTRUST I WAS LOOKING FOR!





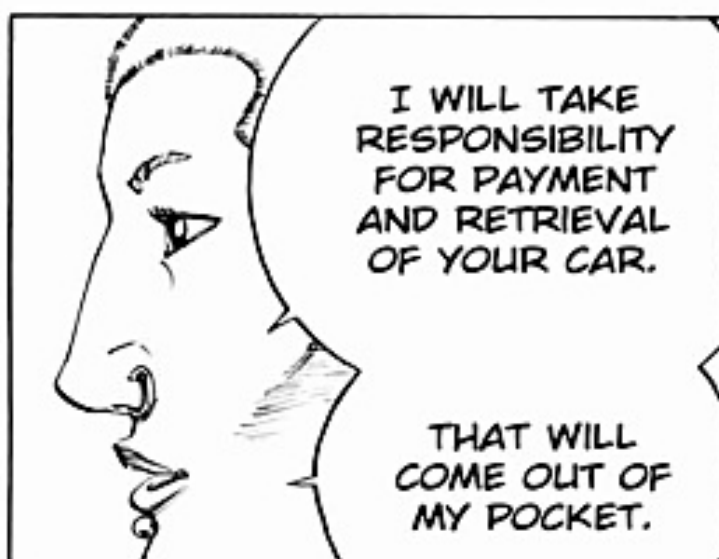
300  
AFTER  
THE  
SURGERY

YOU WILL  
BE PAID  
700  
THOUSAND  
YEN.

AND THE  
OTHER 400  
AFTER IT'S  
ALL OVER.



THE  
EXPERIMENT  
WILL TAKE  
TEN DAYS,  
INCLUDING  
THE DAY  
OF THE  
SURGERY.



I WILL TAKE  
RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR PAYMENT  
AND RETRIEVAL  
OF YOUR CAR.

THAT WILL  
COME OUT OF  
MY POCKET.

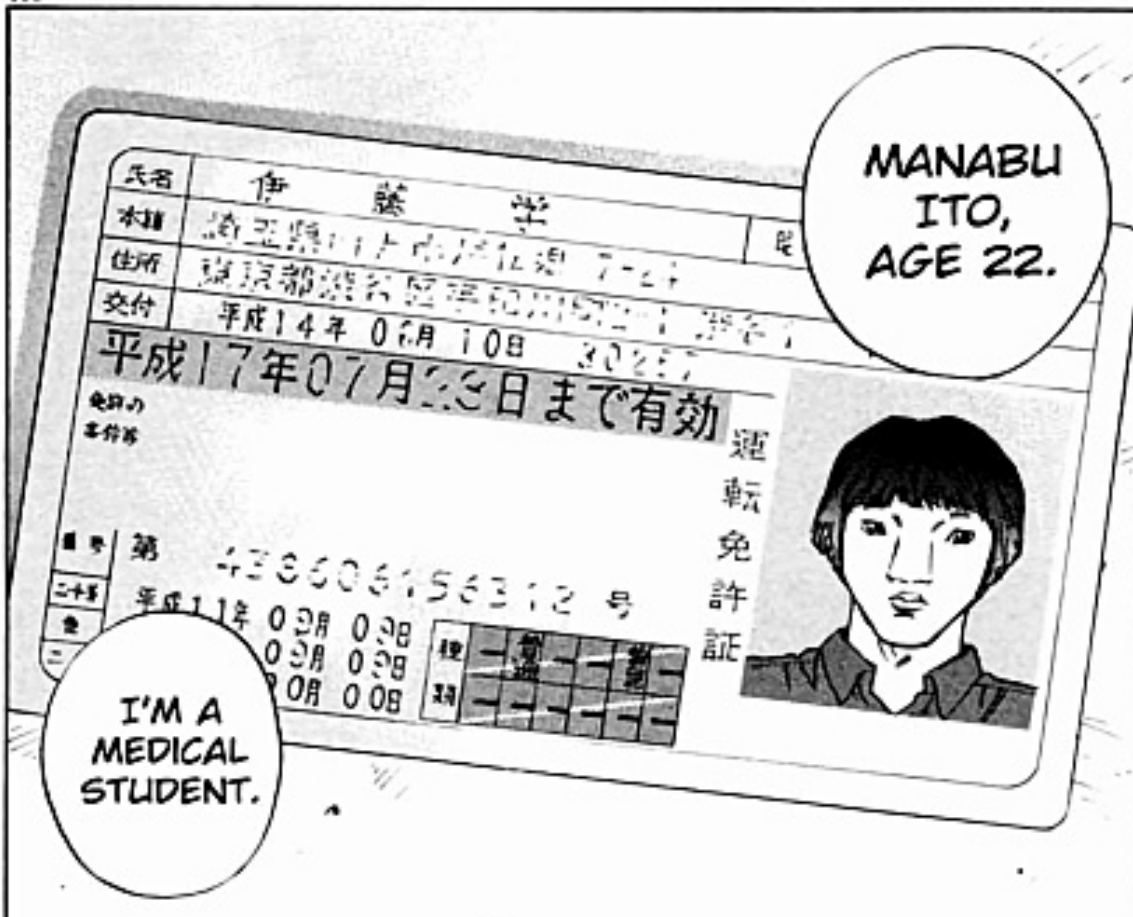


LET'S GET ONE THING CLEARED UP.

!?



WHO ARE YOU?



MANABU ITO, AGE 22.

I'M A MEDICAL STUDENT.



1/0 #



I'M A RICH BOY.

MY FATHER RUNS A LARGE BRAIN SURGERY HOSPITAL.

昭和30年 6月23日

名	伊藤 学
住所	東京都港区三軒茶屋1-1-1
交付	平成14年08月10日 2025/
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運転免許

THEY LET YOU GET AWAY WITH LOOKING LIKE THAT AT A MEDICAL SCHOOL?



DEPENDING ON THE PROFESSOR, HAIRSTYLE AND CLOTHES ARE BASICALLY AT OUR DISCRETION.

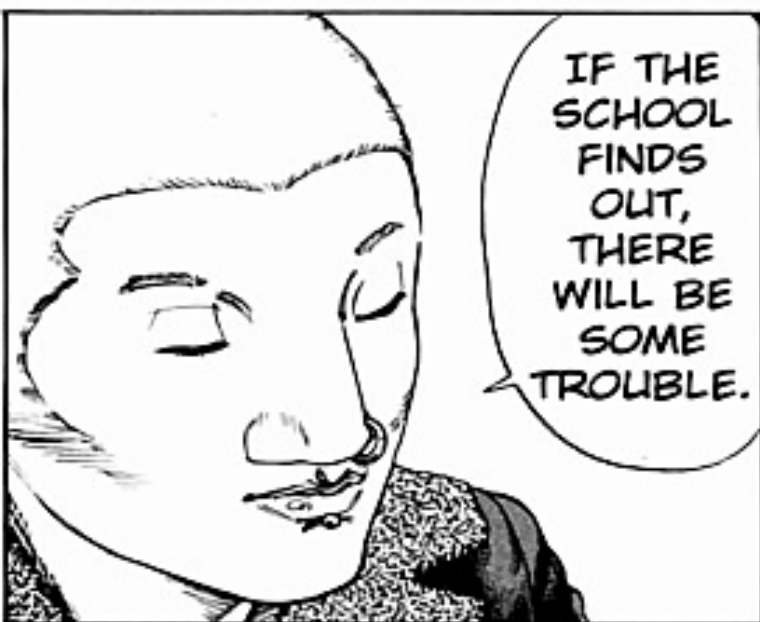


I CAN TAKE THE PIERCINGS OUT,



AND THE TATTOOS ARE DRAWN ON;

NOT REAL, UNFORTUNATELY.



IF THE SCHOOL FINDS OUT, THERE WILL BE SOME TROUBLE.



AND IS A MEDICAL STUDENT ALLOWED TO DRILL A HOLE IN SOMEONE'S SKULL?

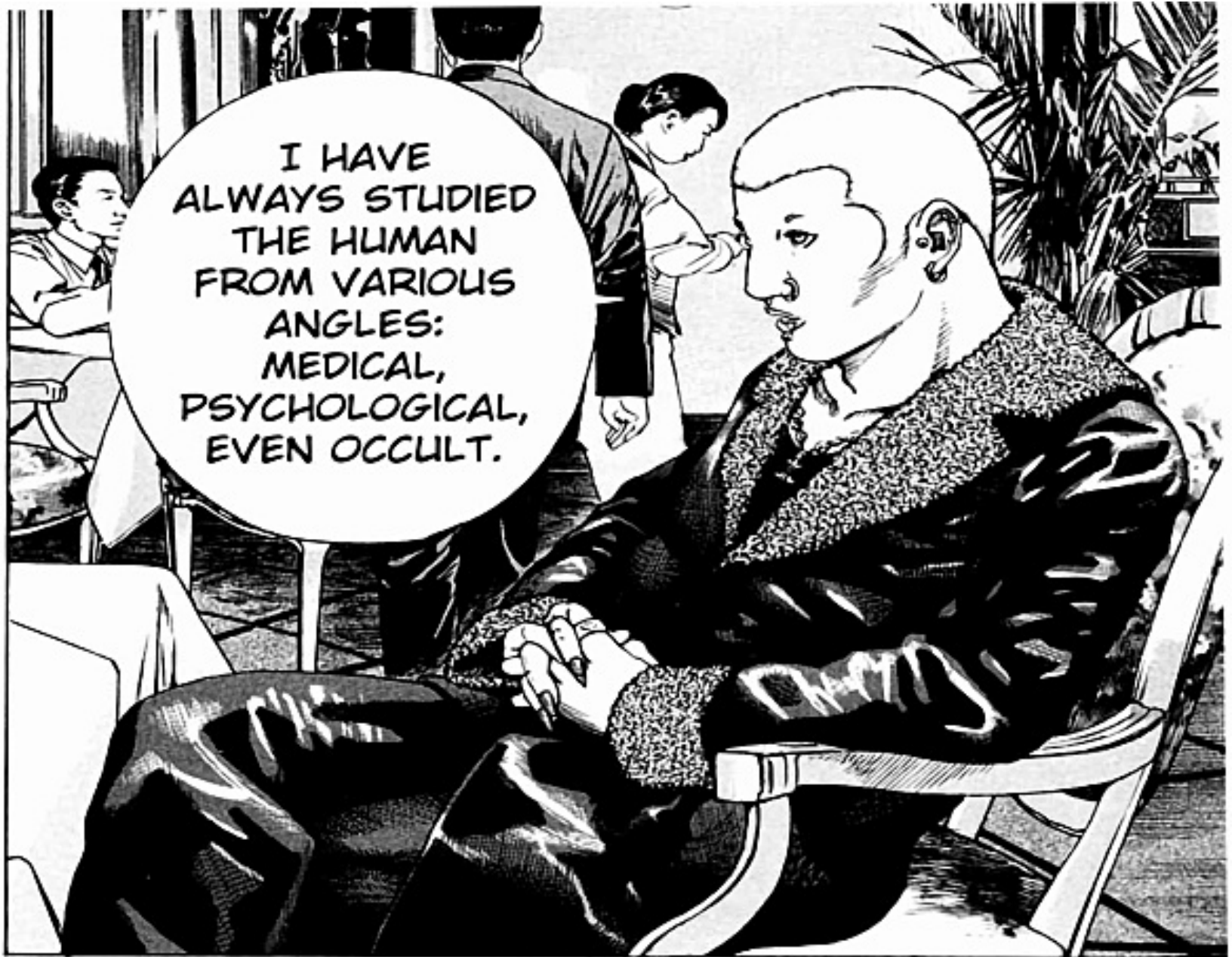


AND AS LONG AS YOU CONSENT TO IT, THERE SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM.

BUT TREPANATION ITSELF IS NOT AGAINST THE LAW,









I HAVE ALWAYS STUDIED THE HUMAN FROM VARIOUS ANGLES: MEDICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, EVEN OCCULT.

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NOTHING BUT A "DECORATION" TO PUT ON OR TAKE OFF AT WILL.



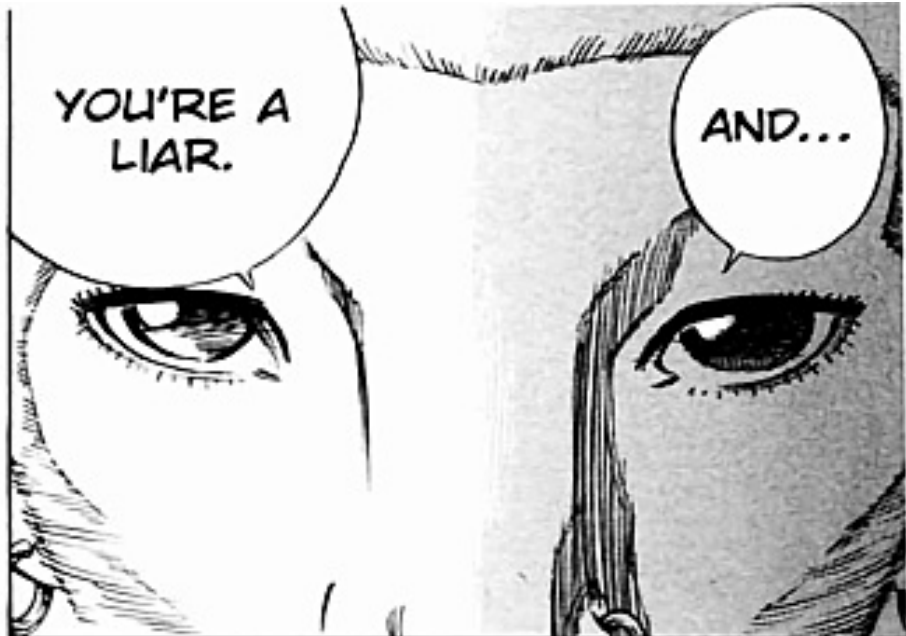
TO ME, THE TITLE OF DOCTOR IS, LIKE THIS RING,



IN COMPARISON, MY CURRENT TREPANATION EXPERIMENT IS FAR MORE FASCINATING.





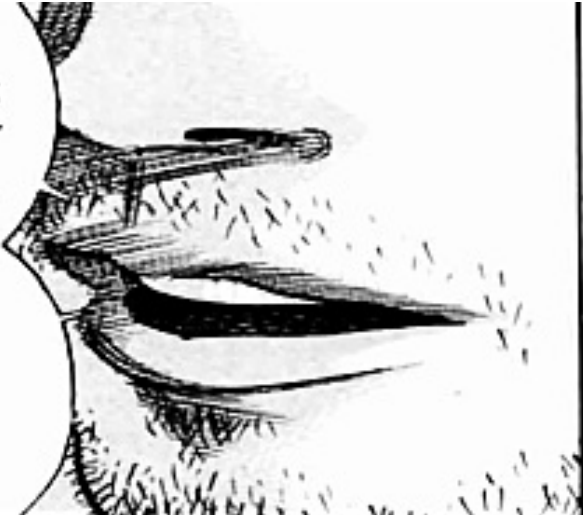






FOR THE  
PAST TWO  
WEEKS I'VE  
BEEN LIVING  
BETWEEN  
THIS HOTEL  
AND PARK,

IN MY  
CAR..



THAT  
SHOULD  
BE  
ENOUGH.



THAT IS  
ENOUGH.



WE'LL DO  
THE  
TREPANATION  
TOMORROW.



I'LL COME  
GET YOU  
TOMORROW  
MORNING.



I'VE  
GOT A  
ROOM  
RENTED.

PLEASE  
STAY  
HERE  
TONIGHT.



THE  
ROOM  
FEE IS  
ON ME,  
OF  
COURSE.

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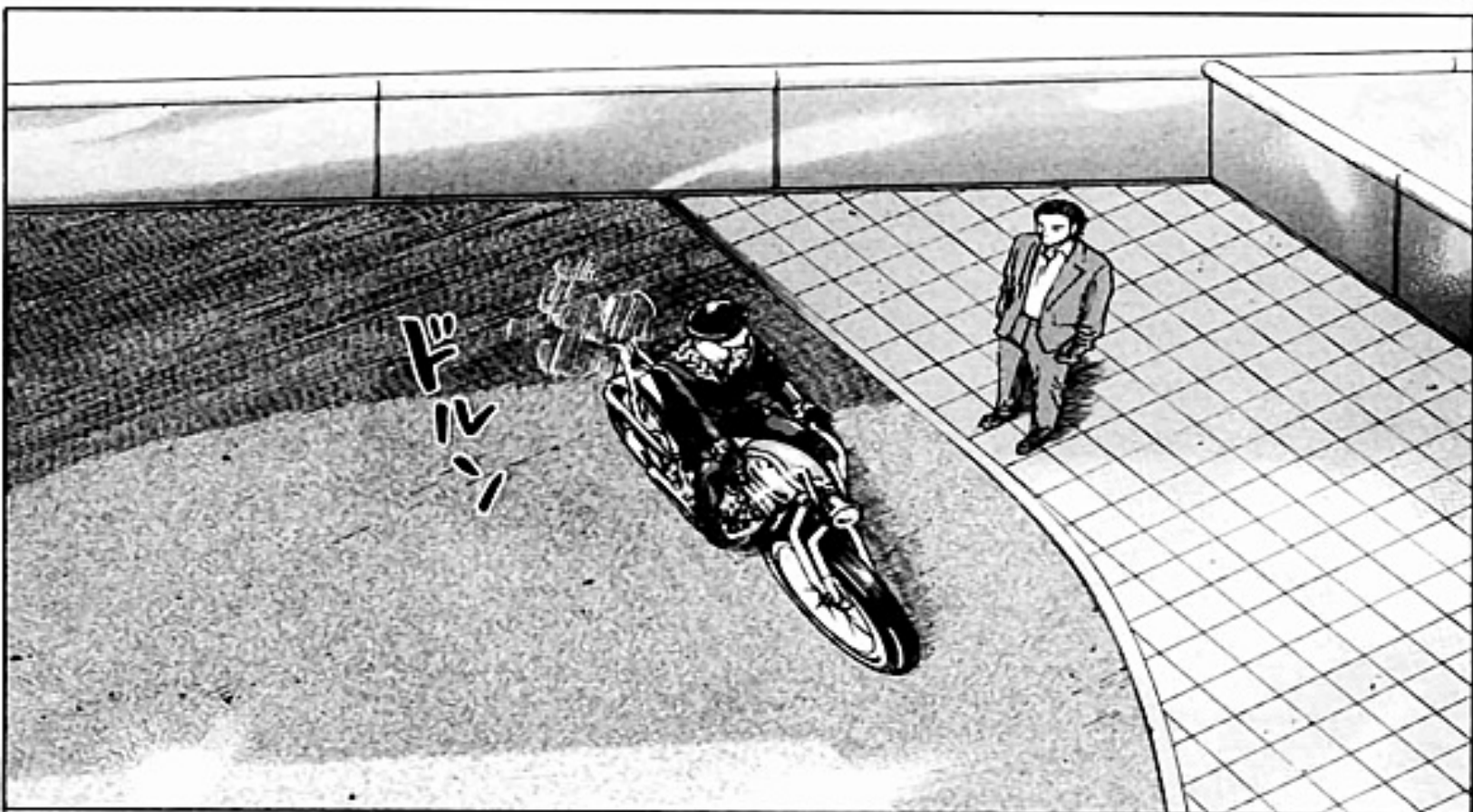
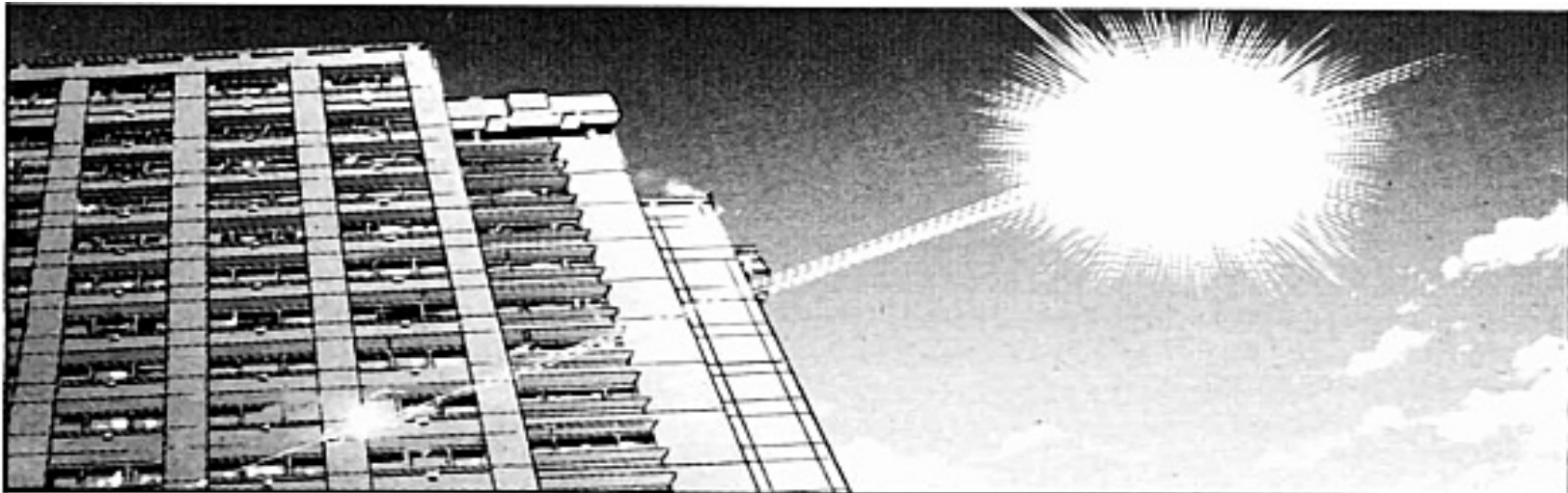


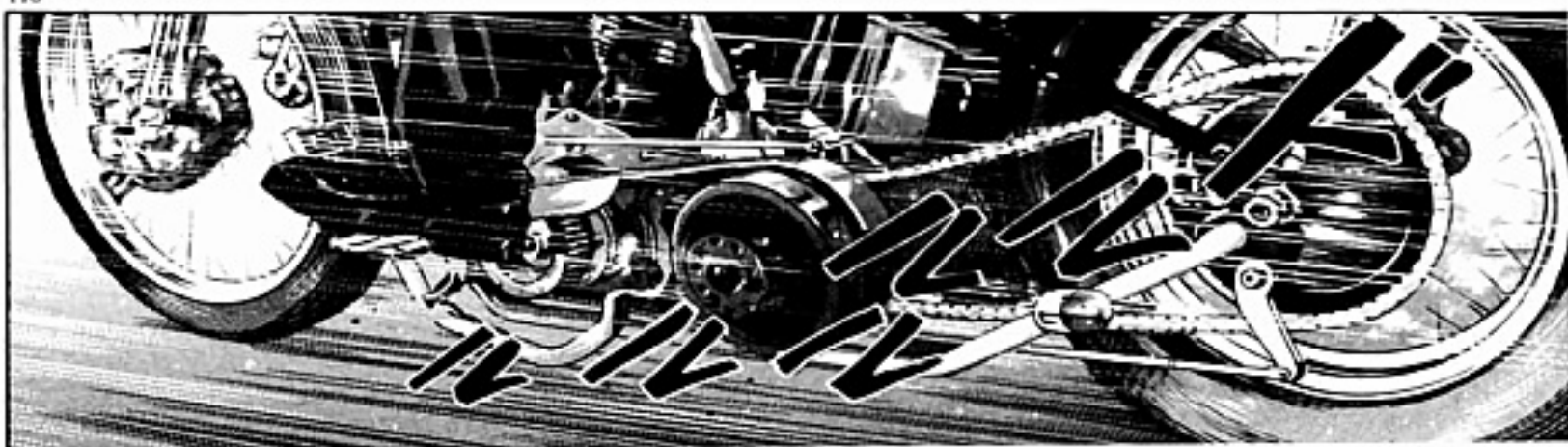




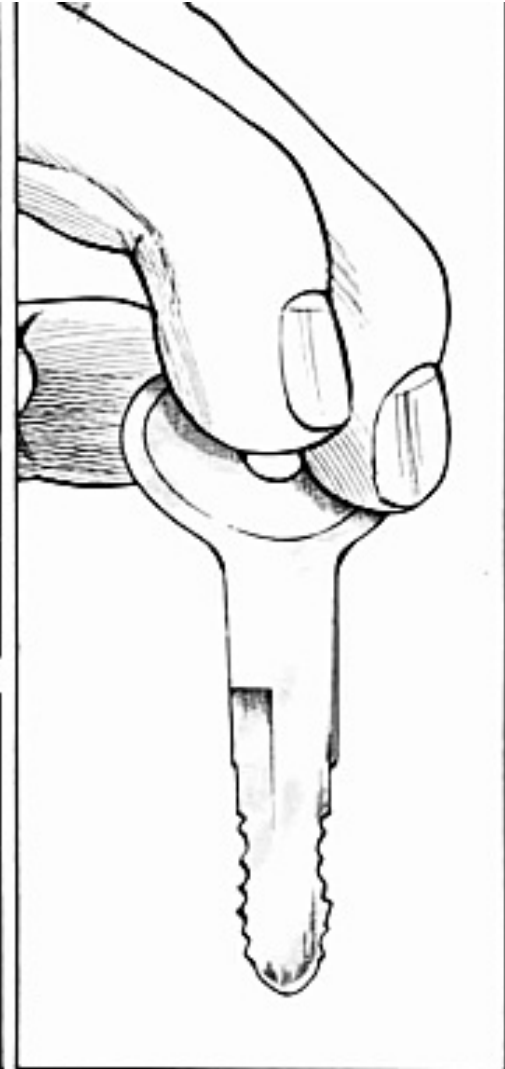














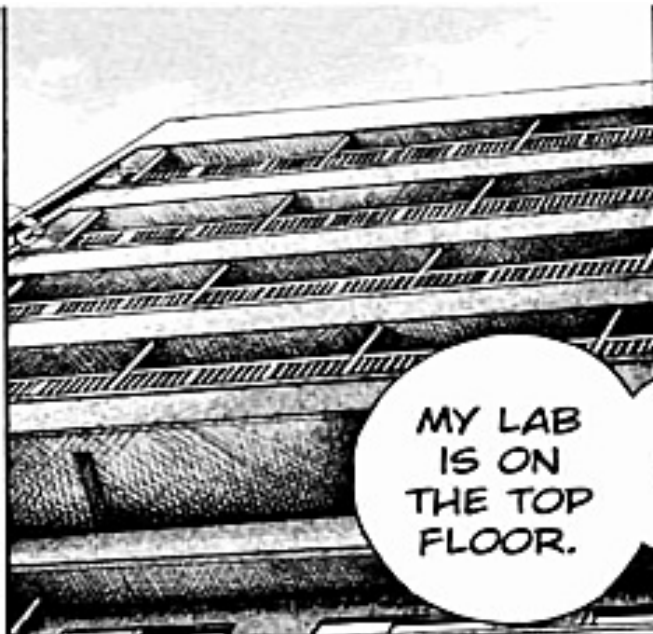
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THIS  
APARTMENT  
COMPLEX  
USED TO BE  
A HOTEL.

HARLEY

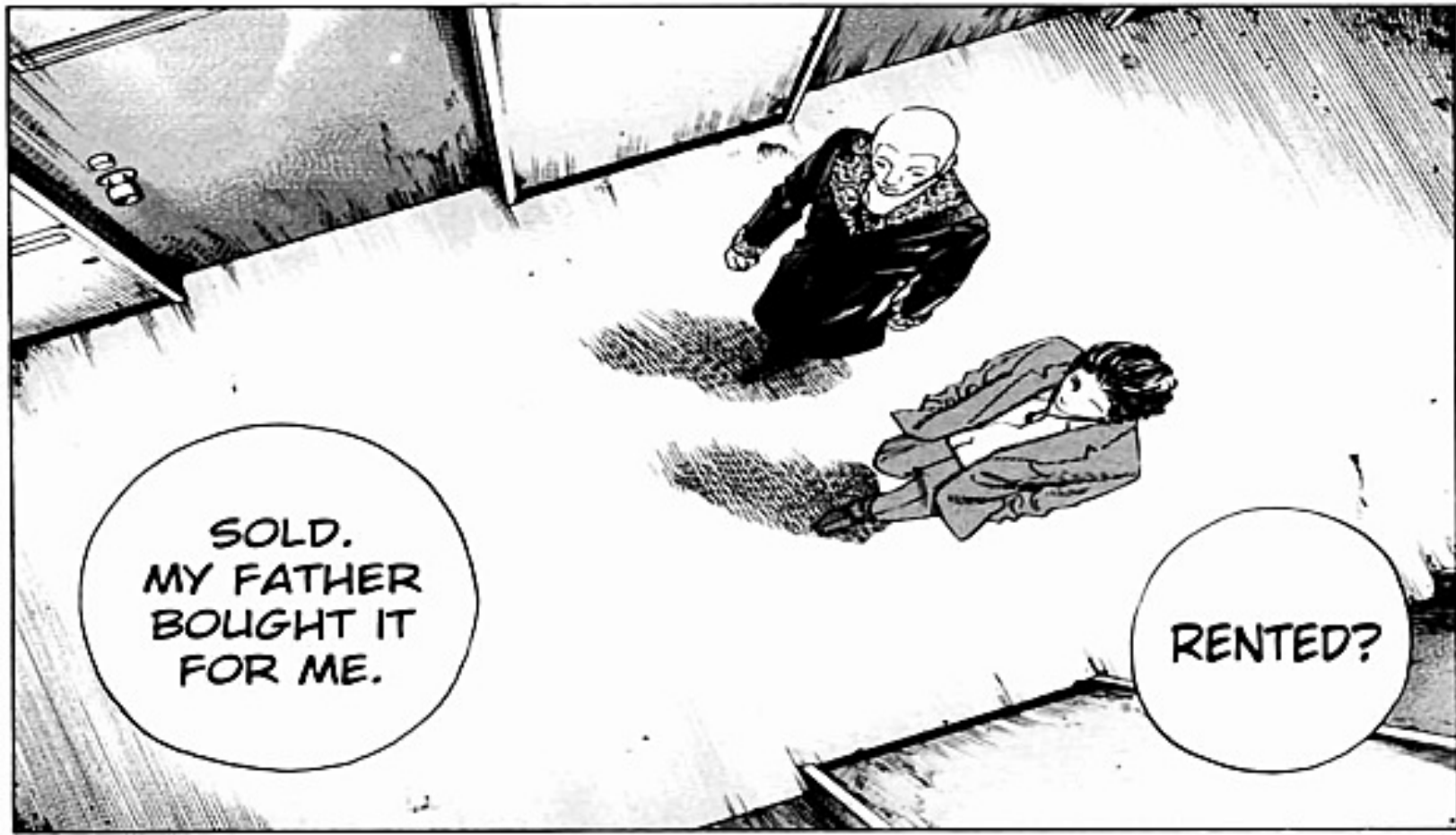




MY LAB IS ON THE TOP FLOOR.

WELL,

IT'S KINDA CREEPY ...



SOLD. MY FATHER BOUGHT IT FOR ME.

RENTED?



YOU ARE A DADDY'S BOY.













AMANDA

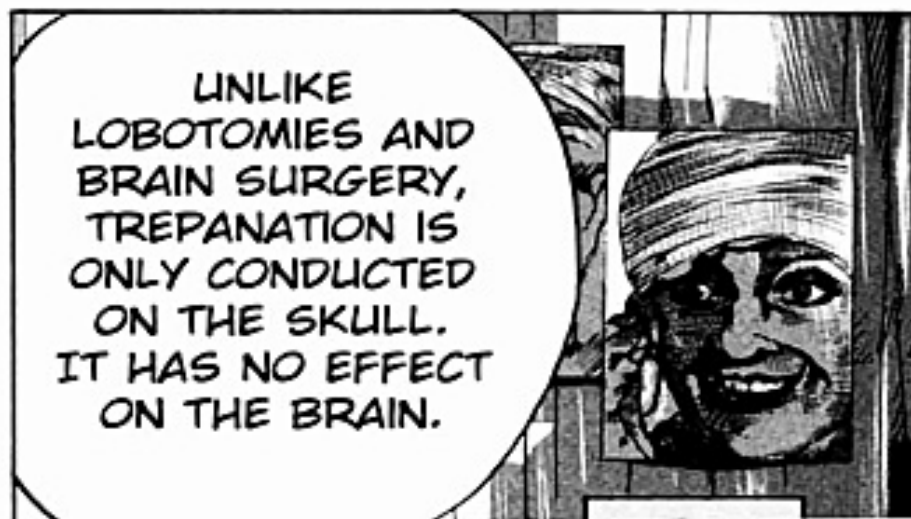
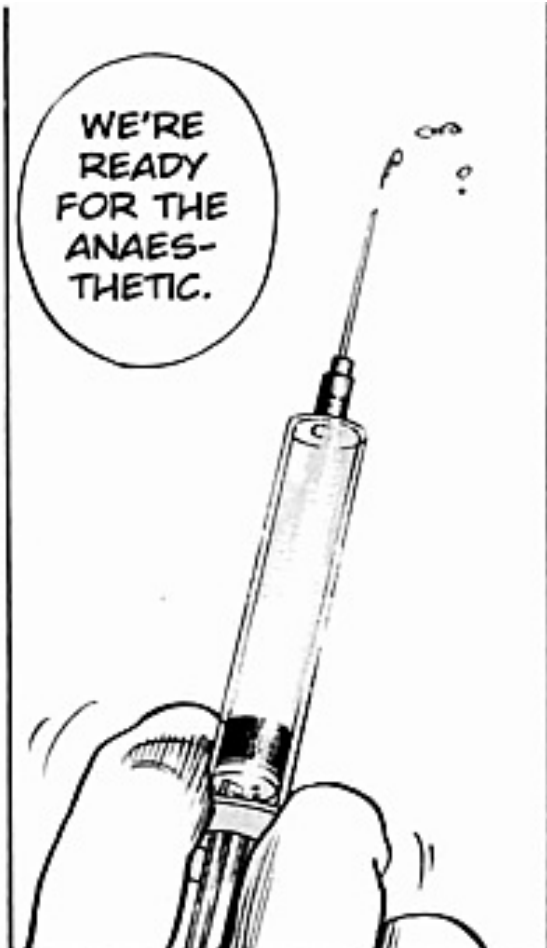
BUT YOU MAY  
FIND THE  
VIBRATIONS  
OF THE DRILL  
TO BE A BIT...  
NOISY.  
JUST  
DON'T MOVE.

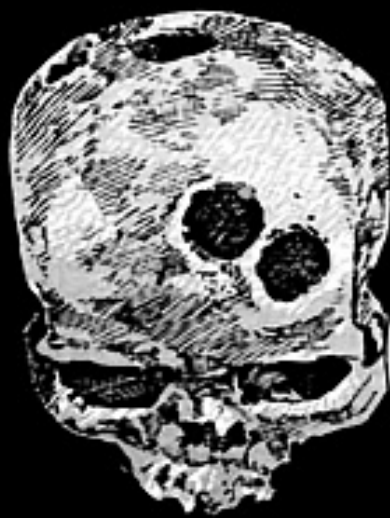
IT WON'T  
HURT, DUE  
TO THE ANAES-  
THETICS,

THE  
PROCEDURE  
WILL TAKE  
ABOUT  
FORTY  
MINUTES.

YOU DON'T  
WANT TO  
HARM YOUR  
MENINGES.







THERE'S EVEN AN ORGANIZATION CALLED ITAG IN THE NETHERLANDS DEDICATED TO THE SPREAD OF TREPANATION.

AND THERE ARE SEVERAL CASES OF IT IN EXISTENCE TODAY.

IT'S BEEN PRACTICED SINCE THE NEOLITHIC ERA,



SOME EMPLOY THE HELP OF FRIENDS

SOME PEOPLE DO IT THEMSELVES ...

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! BUT NO ACTUAL EXPERIENCE.

BUT IN THIS CASE, MY FATHER WAS A DOCTOR,

AND WHEN I GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL, I ALREADY KNEW ENOUGH TO PASS DOCTOR'S QUALIFICATION EXAMS.





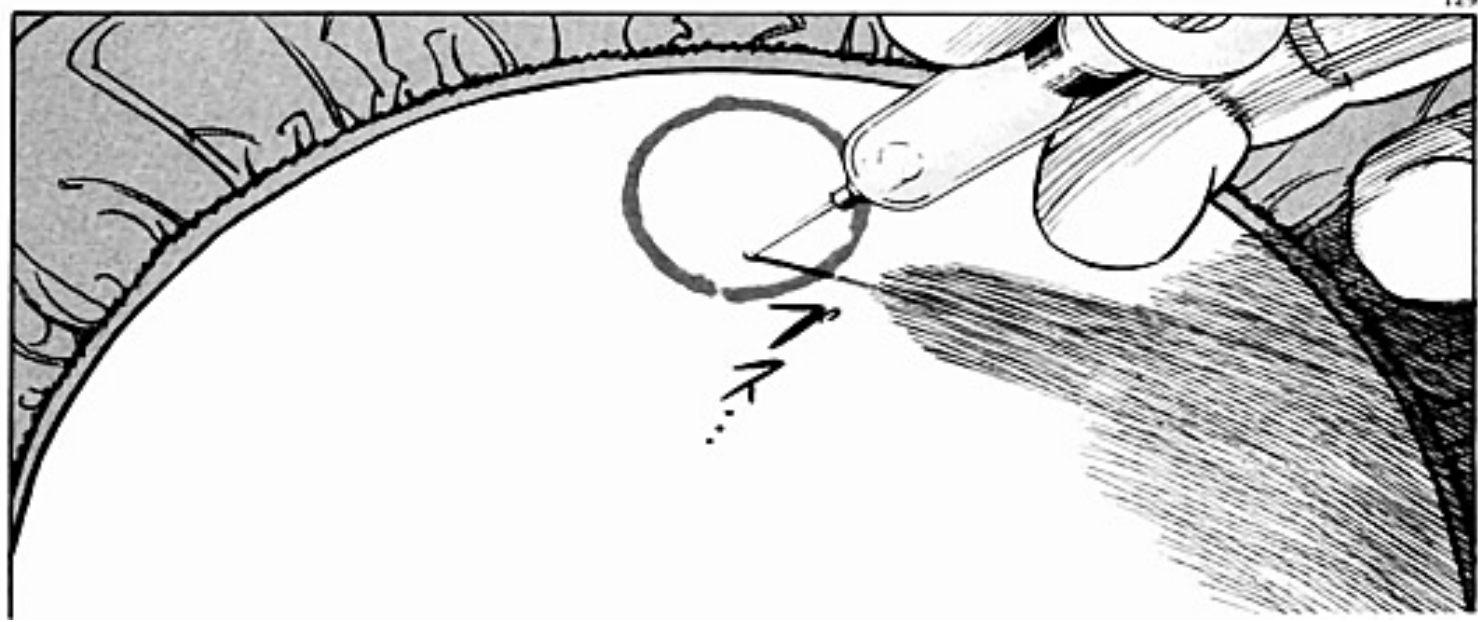


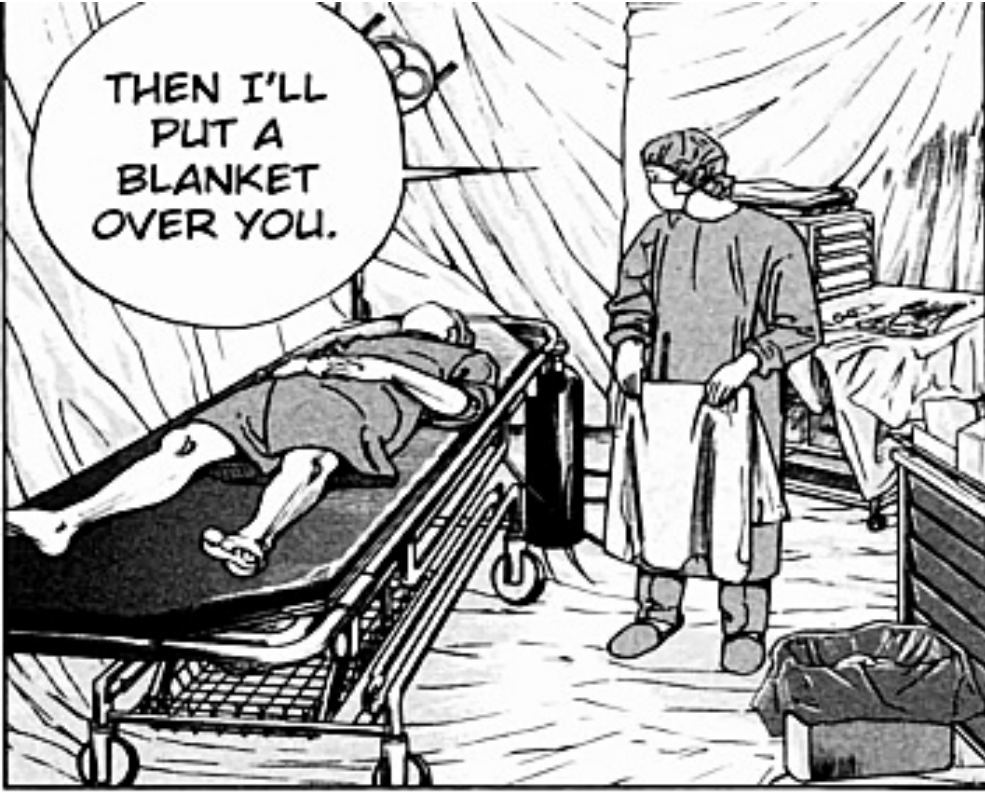
I'M BETTER  
THAN MOST  
REAL  
DOCTORS  
YOU'LL FIND  
OUT THERE.

DON'T  
WORRY.

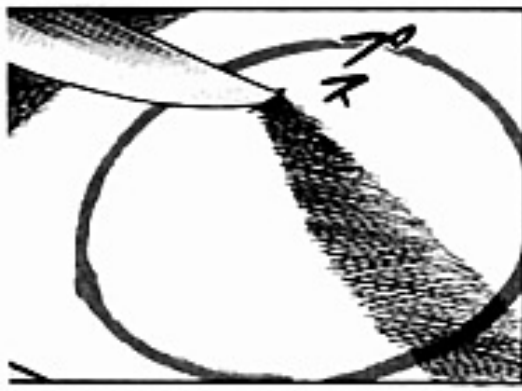
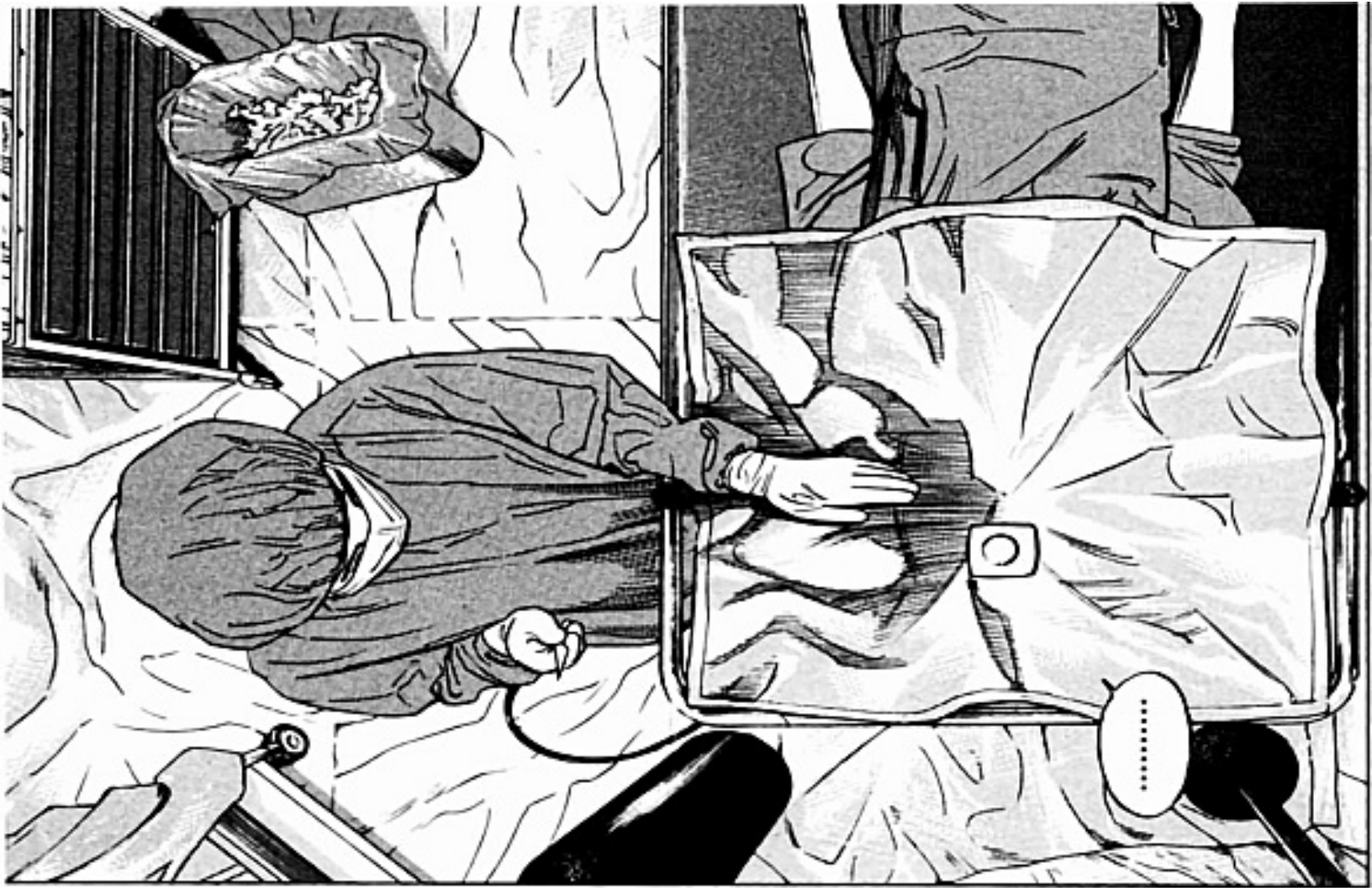


DO  
IT.











♪ HMMM ♪  
HMM ♪  
HMM ♪  
HMMM. ♪



HEY.

NOW I'LL  
USE THE  
DRILL TO  
OPEN THE  
HOLE.

CLANK



THERE  
WE GO.

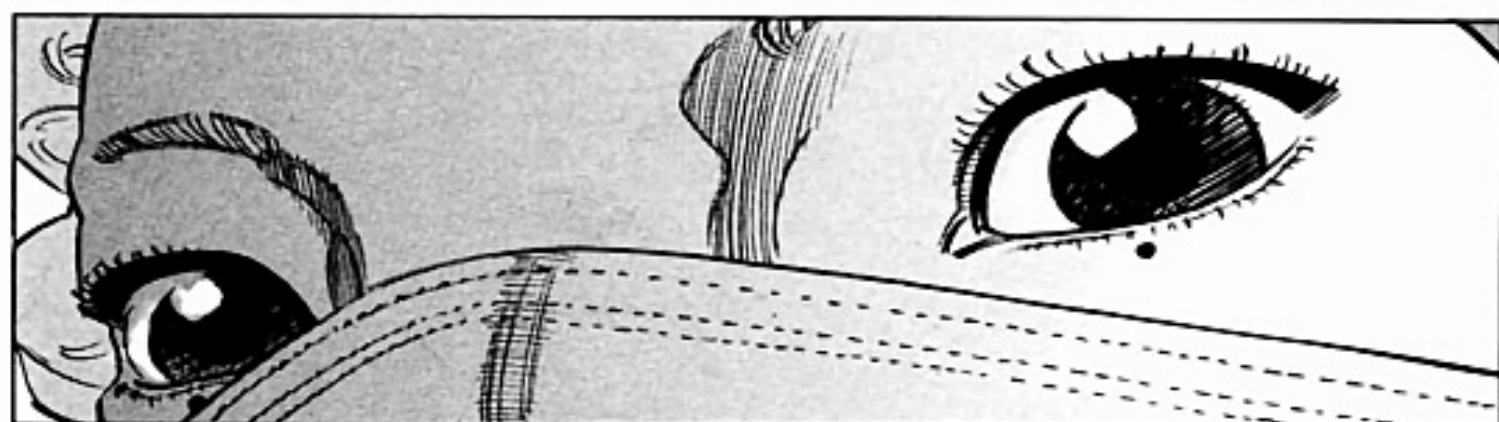
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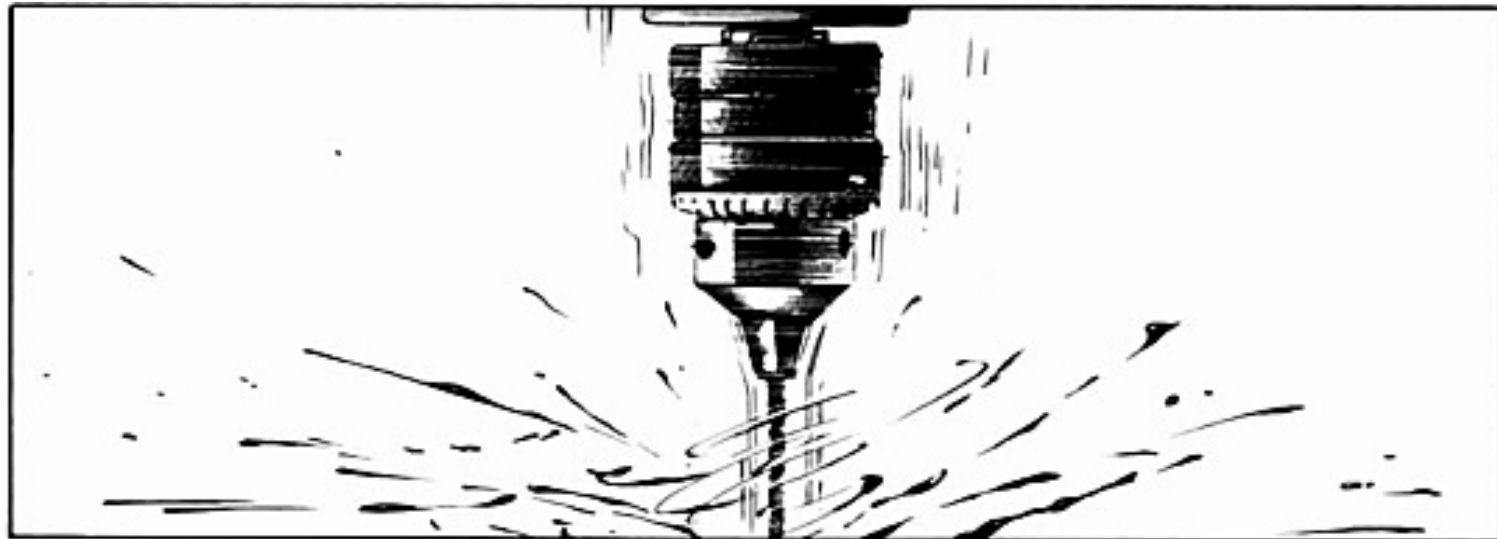
BUT IF YOU  
SCREW UP AND  
TURN ME INTO A  
VEGETABLE, OR  
BRAINDEAD...  
JUST KILL ME...

IF YOU  
SCREW UP  
AND KILL  
ME, THAT'S  
ONE THING  
...

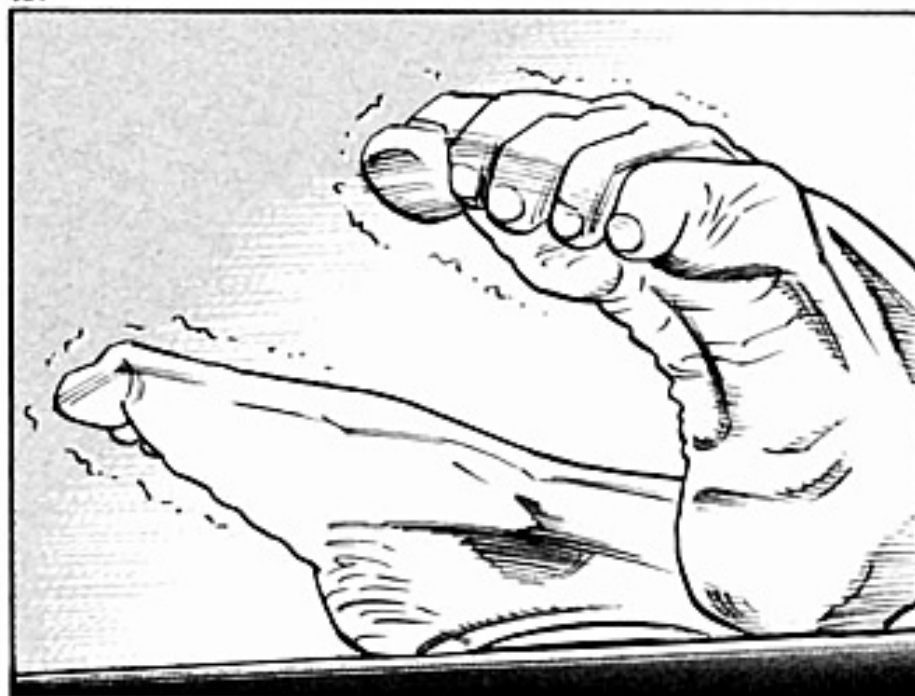
YES?



UNDER-  
STOOD.



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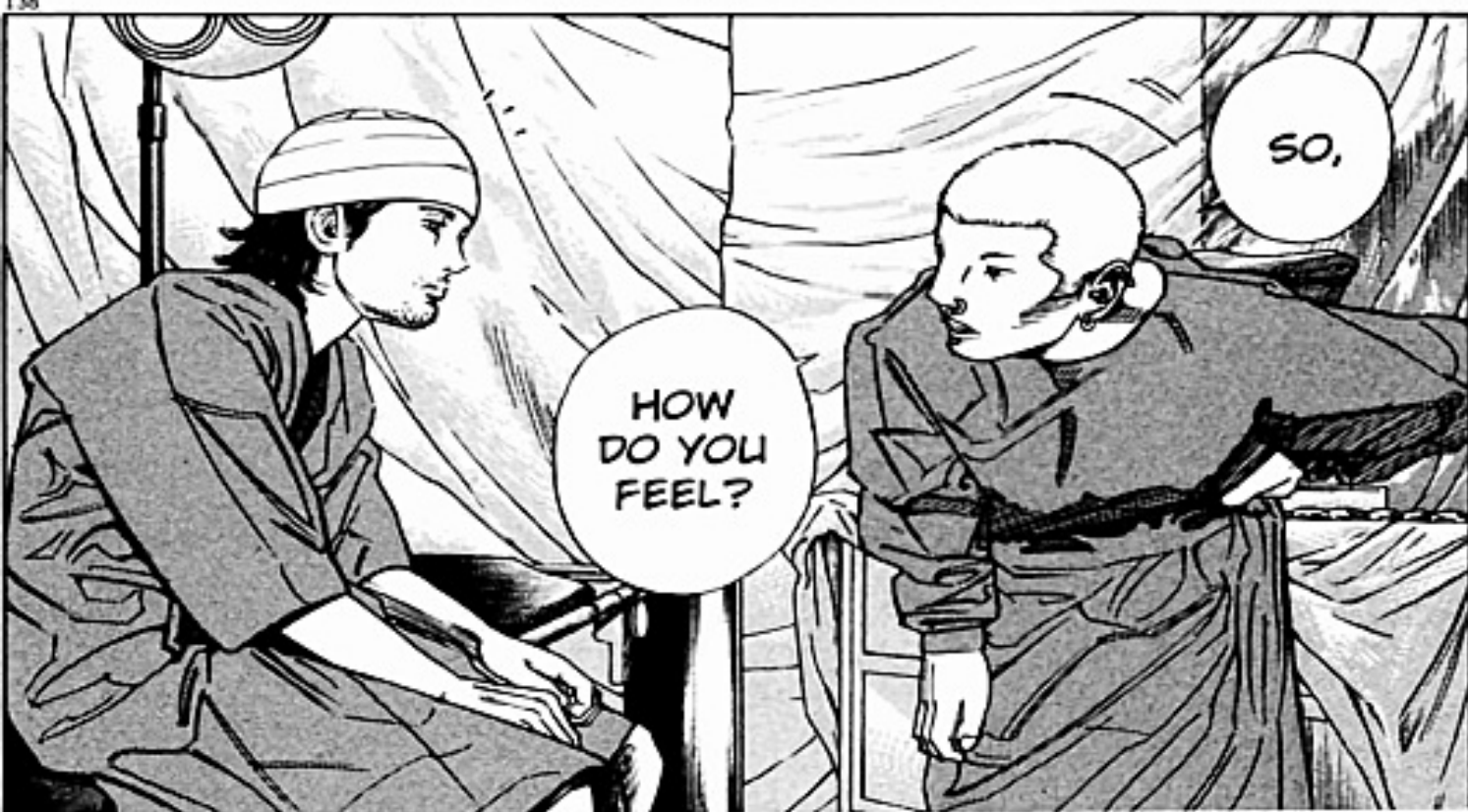








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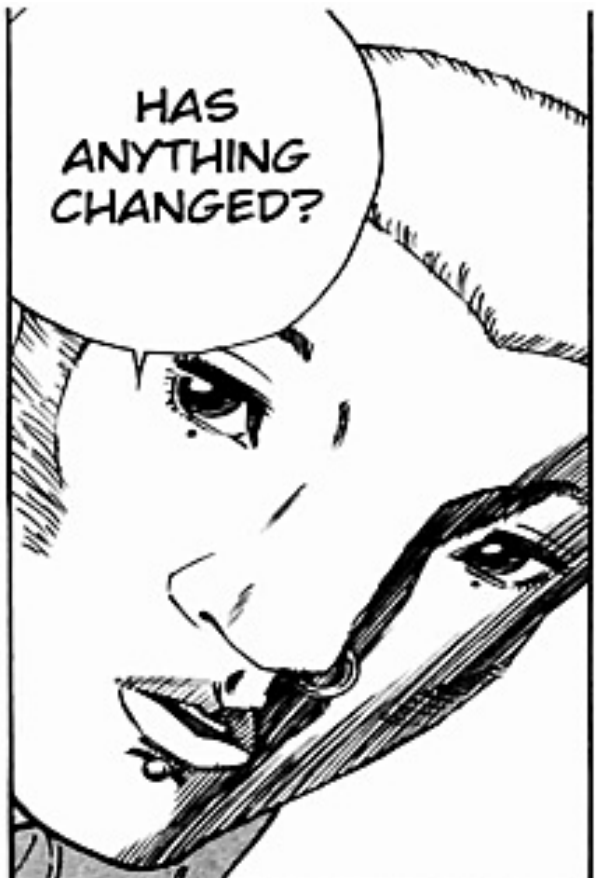




YES.



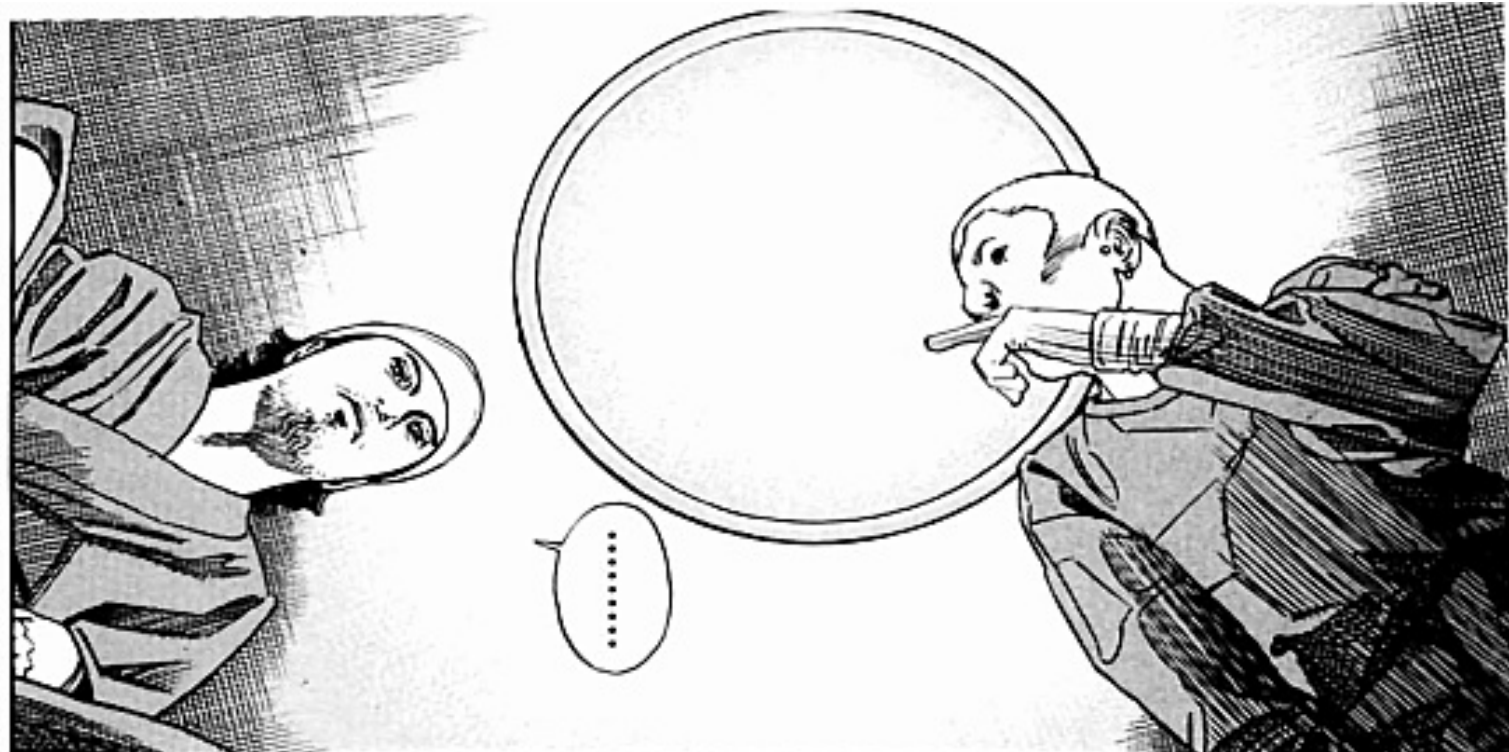
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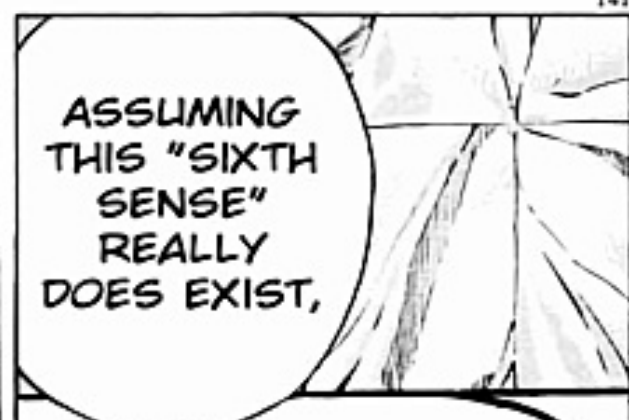
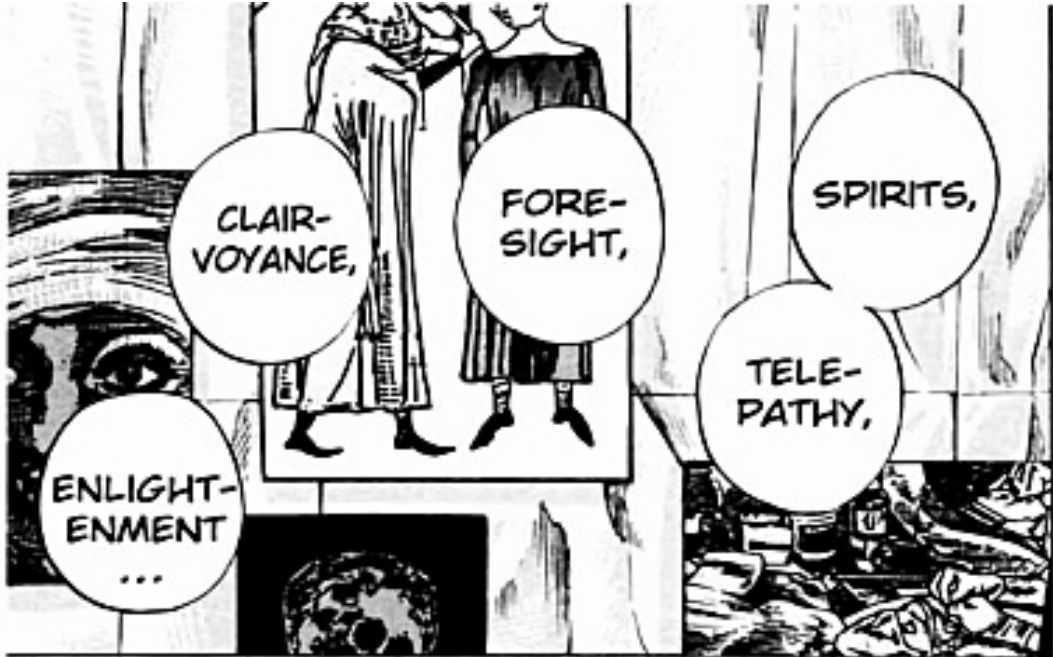
HAS ANYTHING CHANGED?

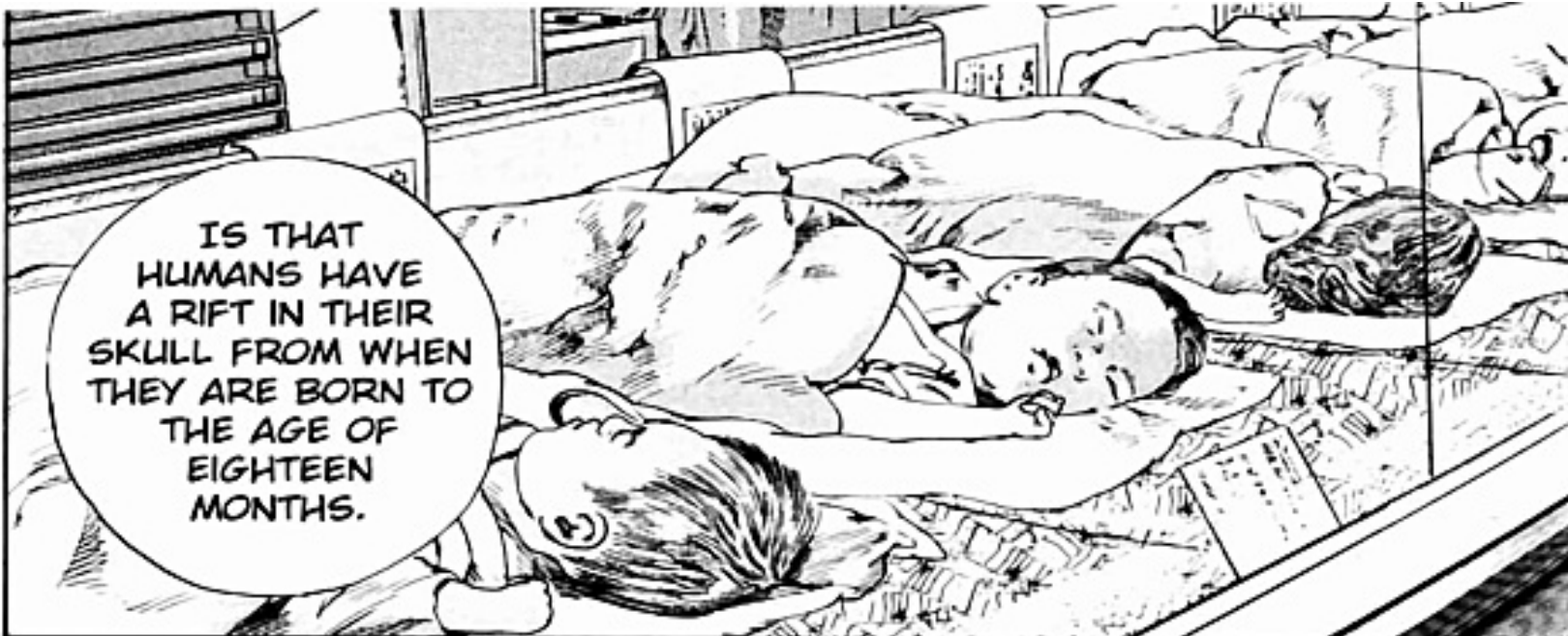
YOUR SIXTH SENSE.



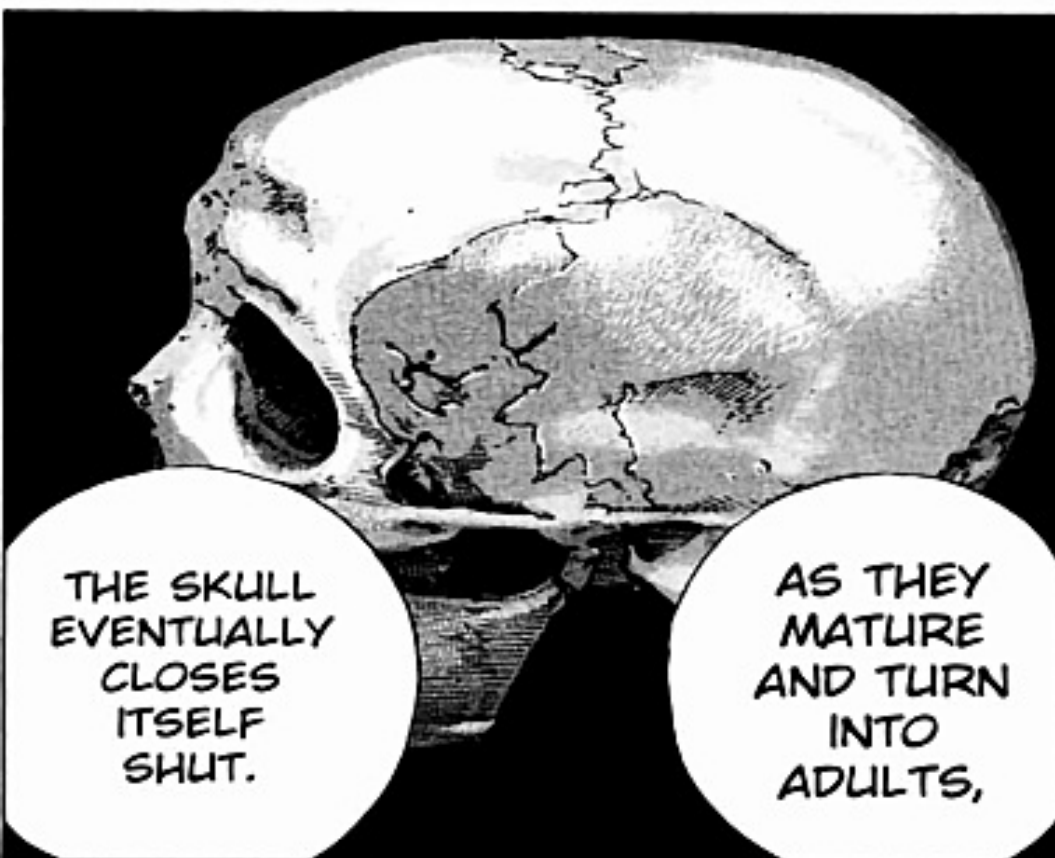








IS THAT  
HUMANS HAVE  
A RIFT IN THEIR  
SKULL FROM WHEN  
THEY ARE BORN TO  
THE AGE OF  
EIGHTEEN  
MONTHS.



THE SKULL  
EVENTUALLY  
CLOSES  
ITSELF  
SHUT.

AS THEY  
MATURE  
AND TURN  
INTO  
ADULTS,



THEY  
HAVE  
HOLES  
IN THEIR  
HEADS.

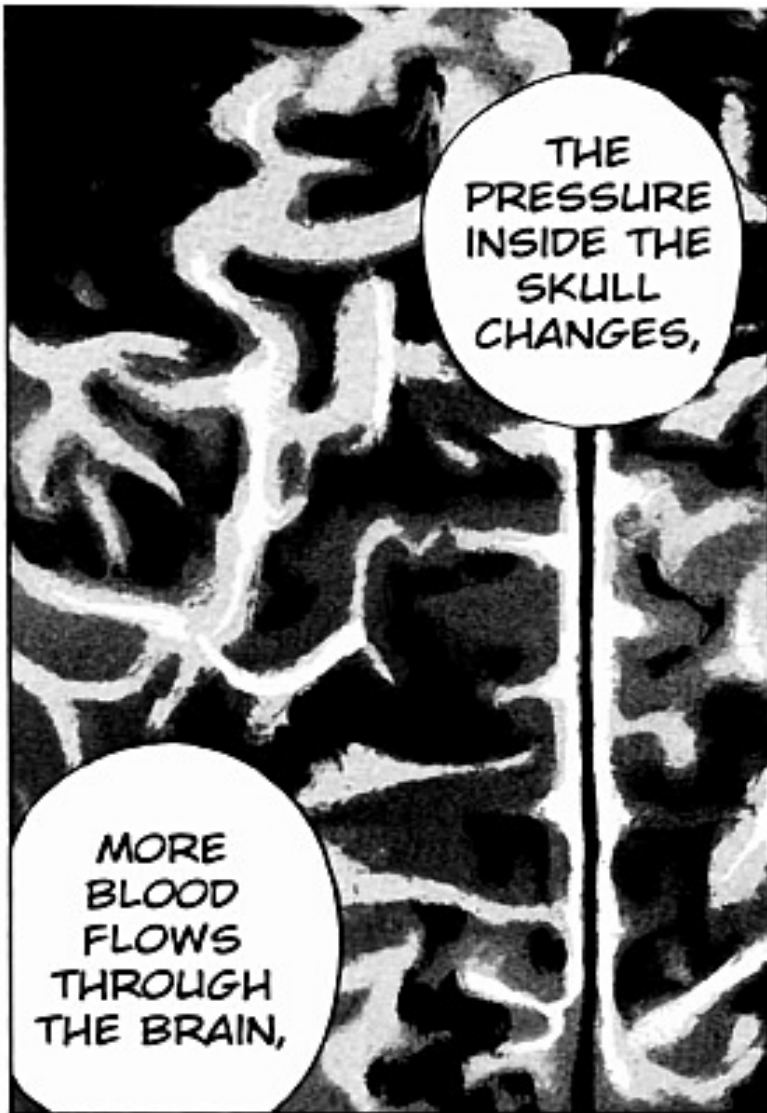


ADULTS OFTEN  
USE THE  
EXPRESSION,  
"HARD-  
HEADED."





AND THE  
BRAIN CAN  
RETURN TO  
ITS MOST  
ACTIVE  
STATE, OR  
SO IT SAID.



THE  
PRESSURE  
INSIDE THE  
SKULL  
CHANGES,

MORE  
BLOOD  
FLOWS  
THROUGH  
THE BRAIN,



BY  
PUTTING A  
HOLE IN  
THE  
CLOSED  
SKULL,



THAT'S  
RIGHT!



IN  
OTHER  
WORDS,  
MR.  
NAKOSHI  
...

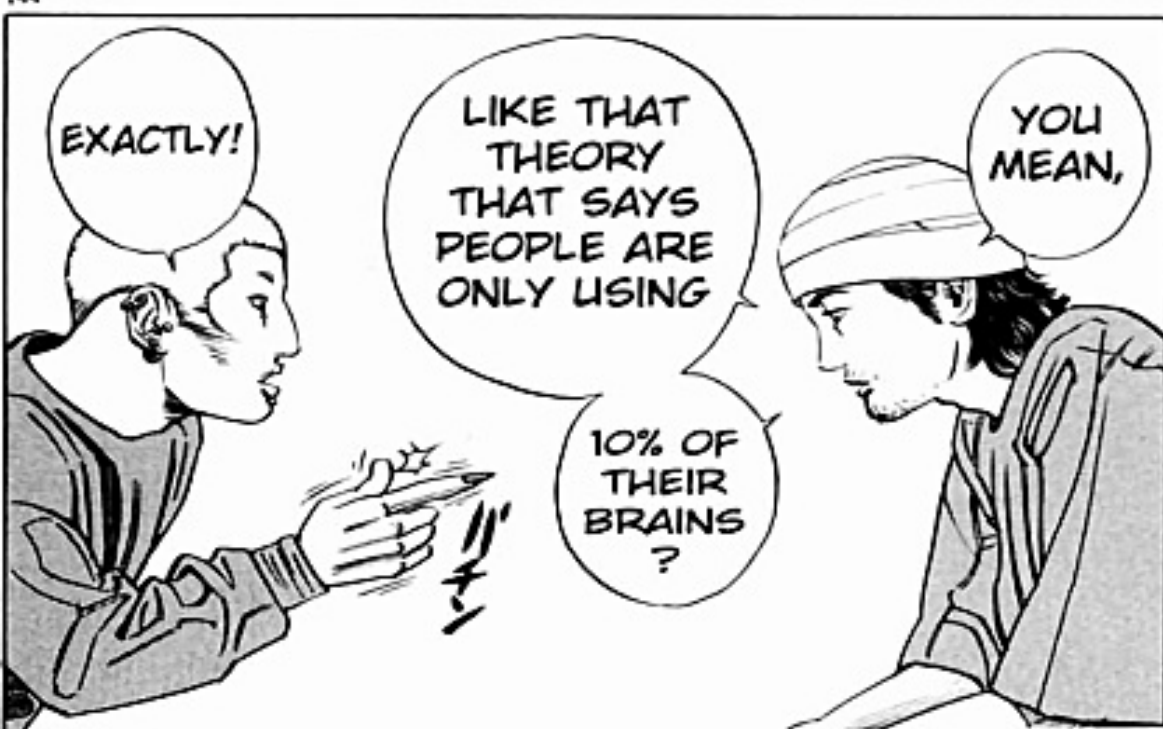


AND BY  
IMPROVING  
CIRCULATION,  
THEY CAN BE  
REACTIVATED  
...?

SO WHEN  
WE TURN  
TO ADULTS,  
WE STOP  
USING OUR  
BRAINS,



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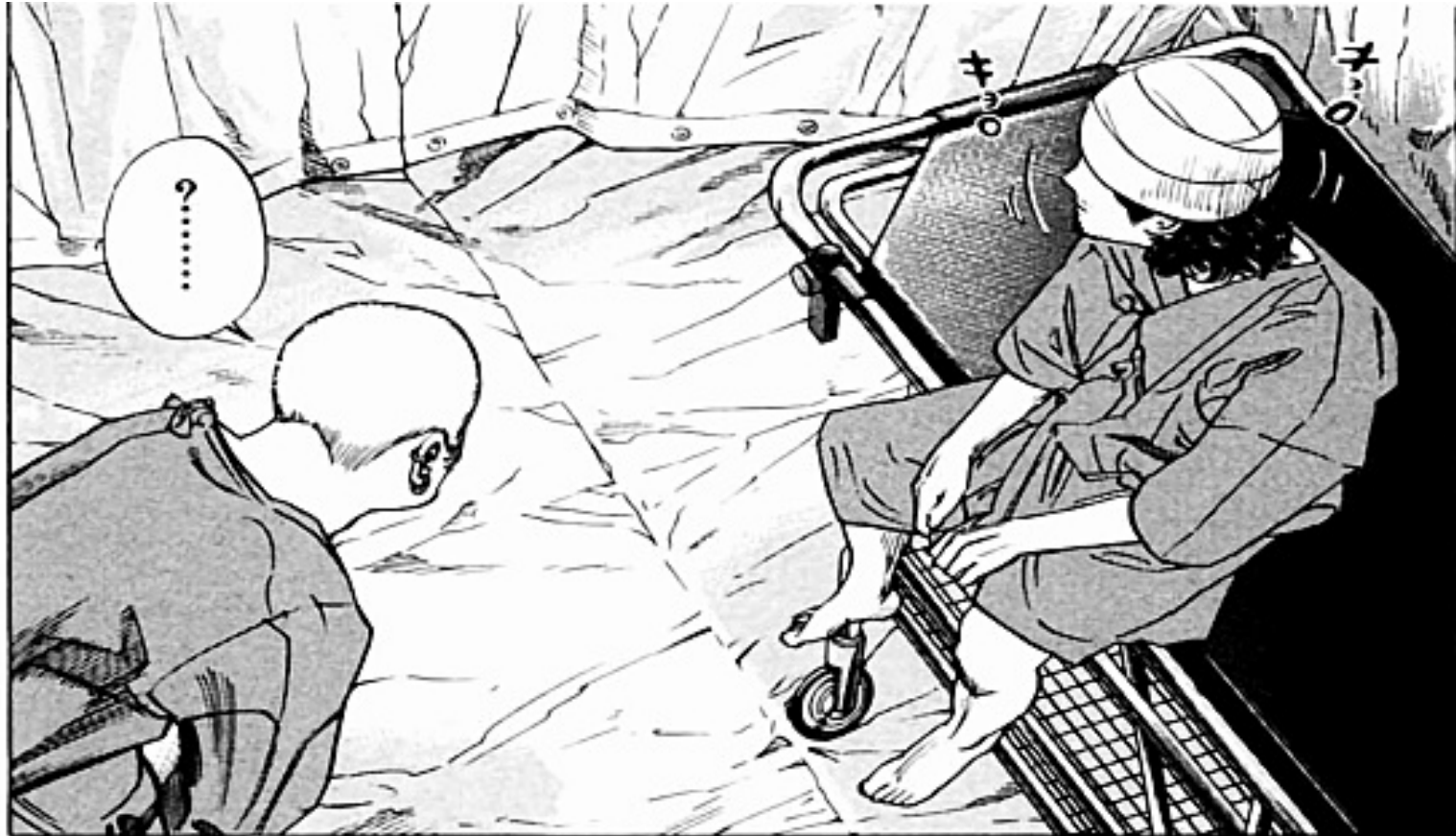












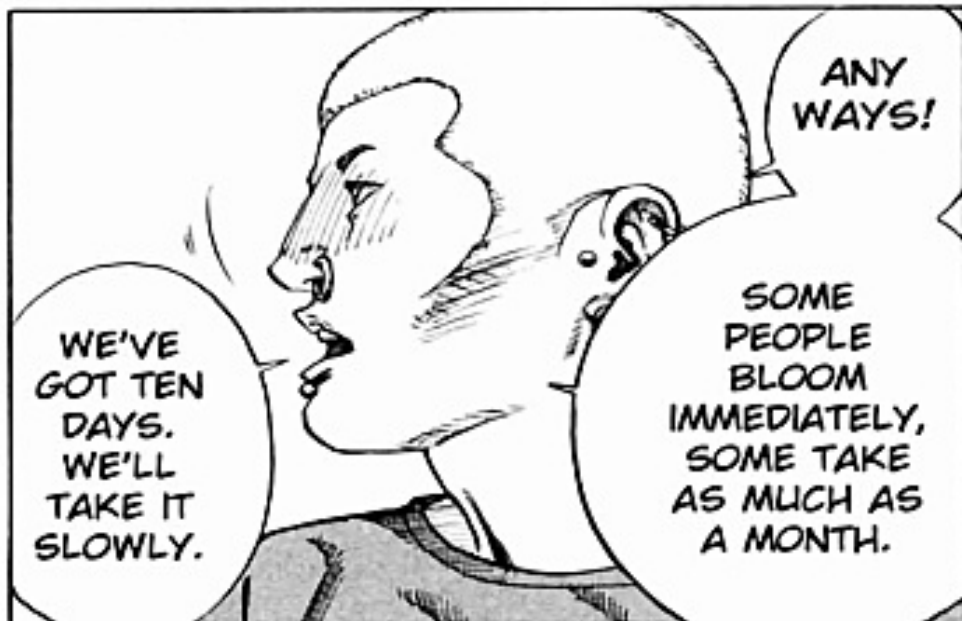
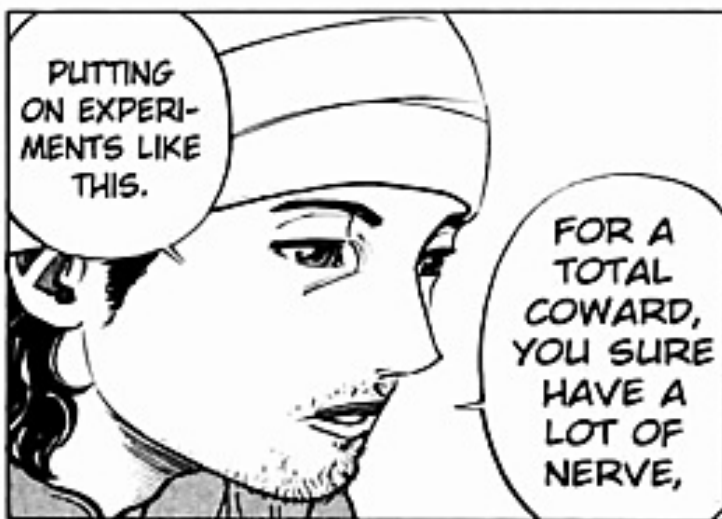


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DOESN'T  
HURT AT  
ALL.

THAT  
PILL DID  
THE  
TRICK.

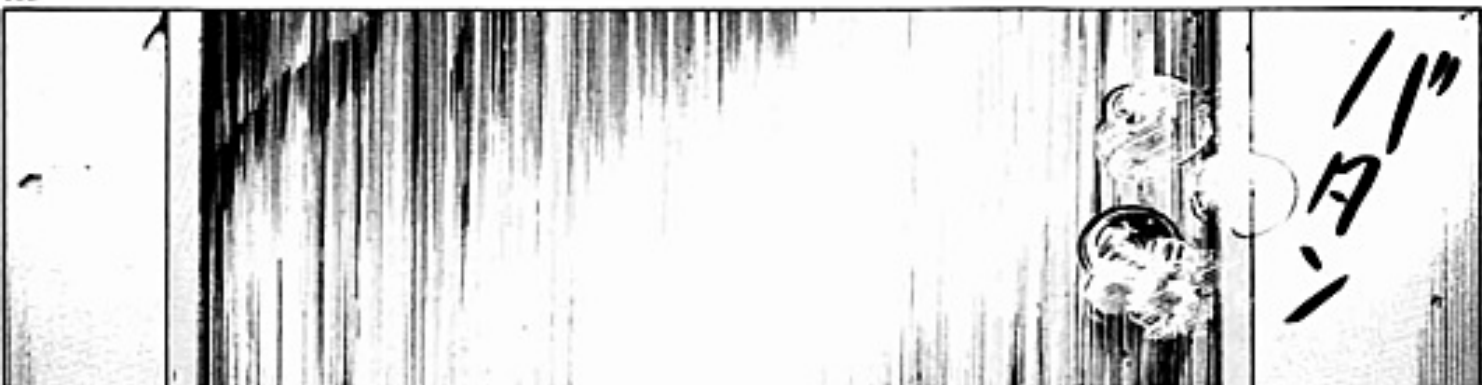


HOW IS  
THE  
PAIN?

OH,



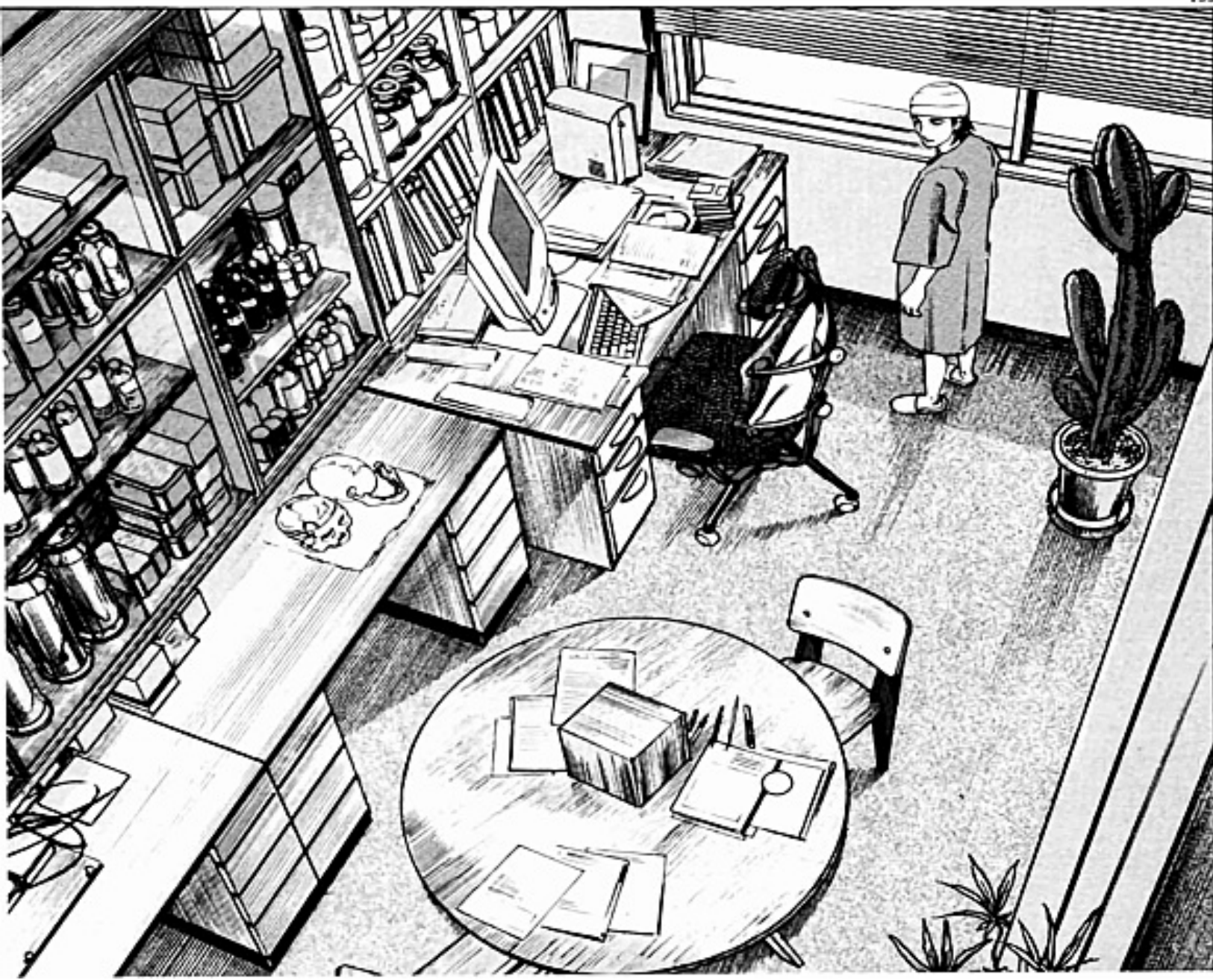
I'LL BE  
BACK,  
THEN.





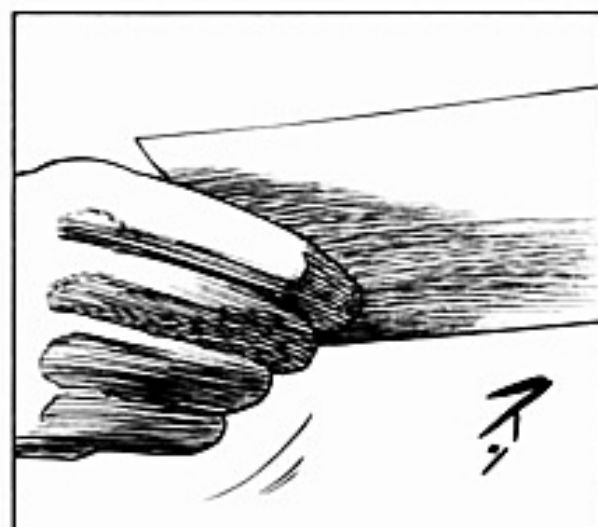


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SUCH A  
PREDICTABLE  
FALL FROM  
GRACE.







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# A REPORT ON TREPANATION OF A

POSTOPERATIVE REPORT ...?

TREPANATION ...



Professor and Chairman of Neurosurgery, Cook County Chicago (USA)



JENNIFER CATHERINE ... AGE 27.

... research the history of this ancient practice from earliest to modern times to answer people's queries and stimulate their interest in the ancient practice of trepanation ...  
... act in an advisory capacity for those who have a serious desire to get trepanned by pointing them in the direction of a competent neurosurgeon ...  
... research to test the hypothesis ...



SUICIDE  
...?!



NEUROSIS  
...

23 DAYS  
LATER...

2 HOURS  
27  
MINUTES  
AFTER  
SURGERY,

SPRIT  
SENSE  
AWAK-  
ENED...



.....



NO  
CHANGE.

NO  
CHANGE.



DARRYL  
MARTIN.

...NO  
CHANGE.



1/0  
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INSTITUTIONALIZED IN A PARANOID DELIRIUM...



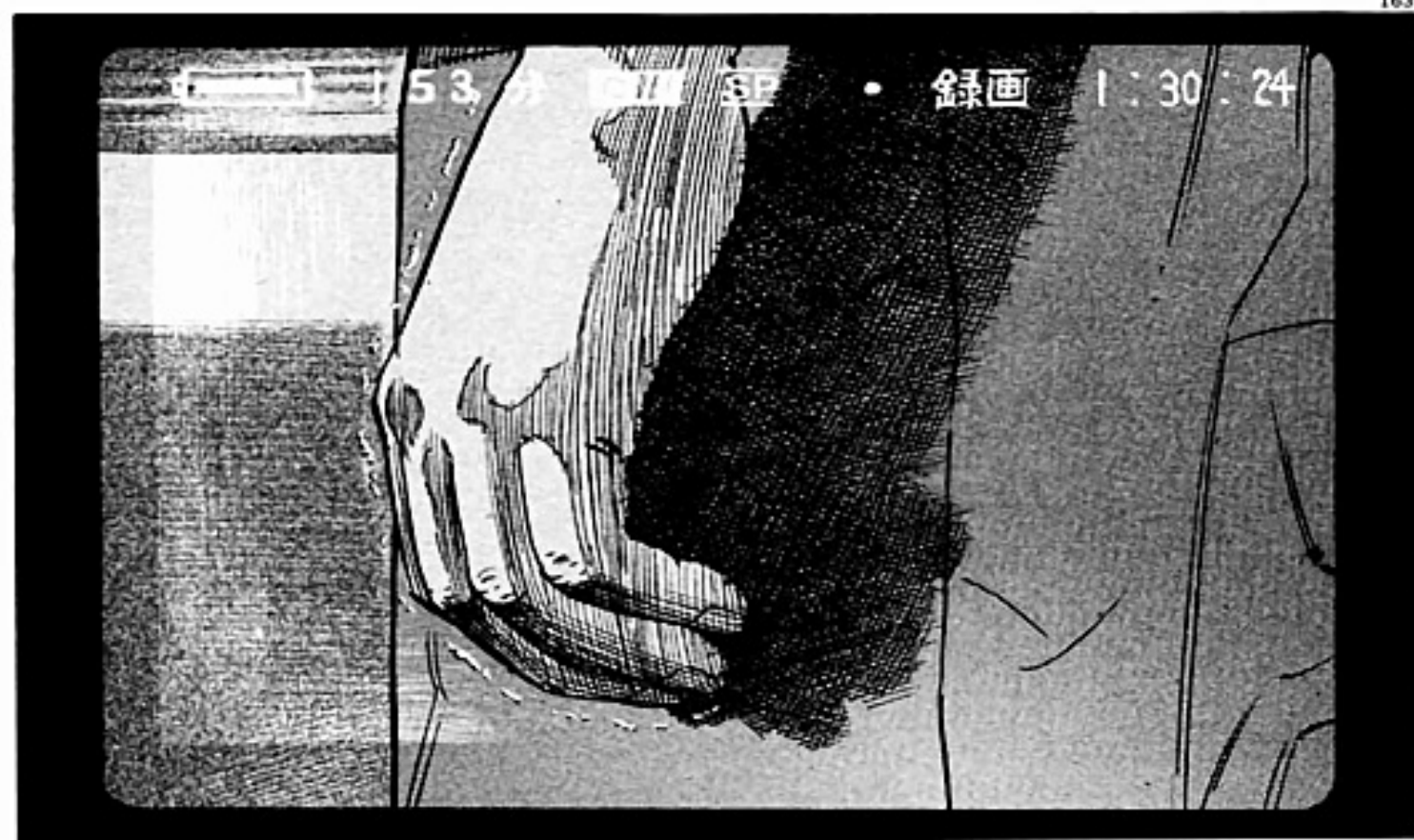
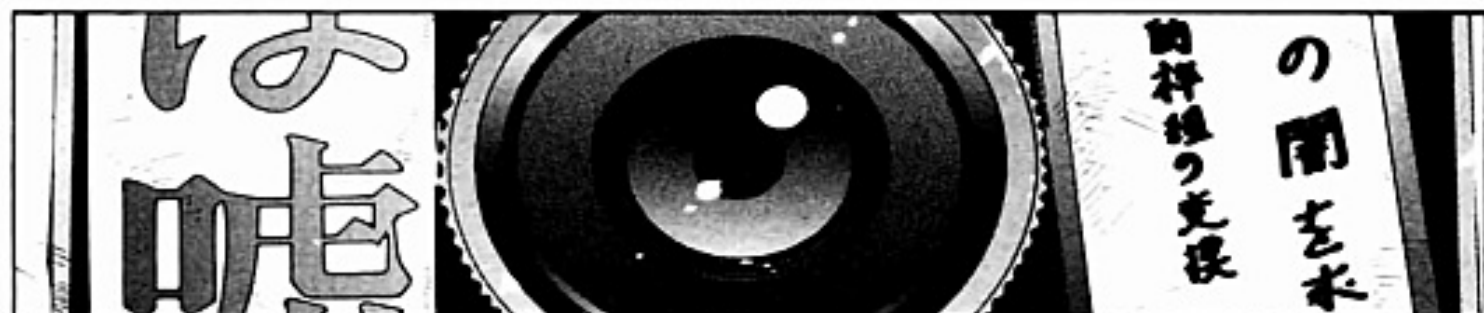
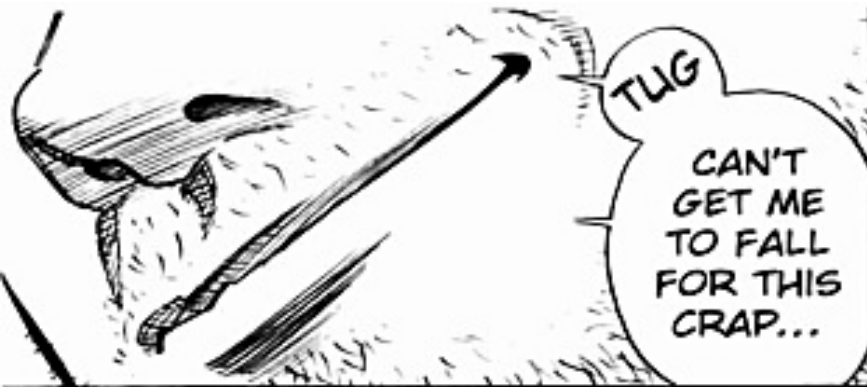
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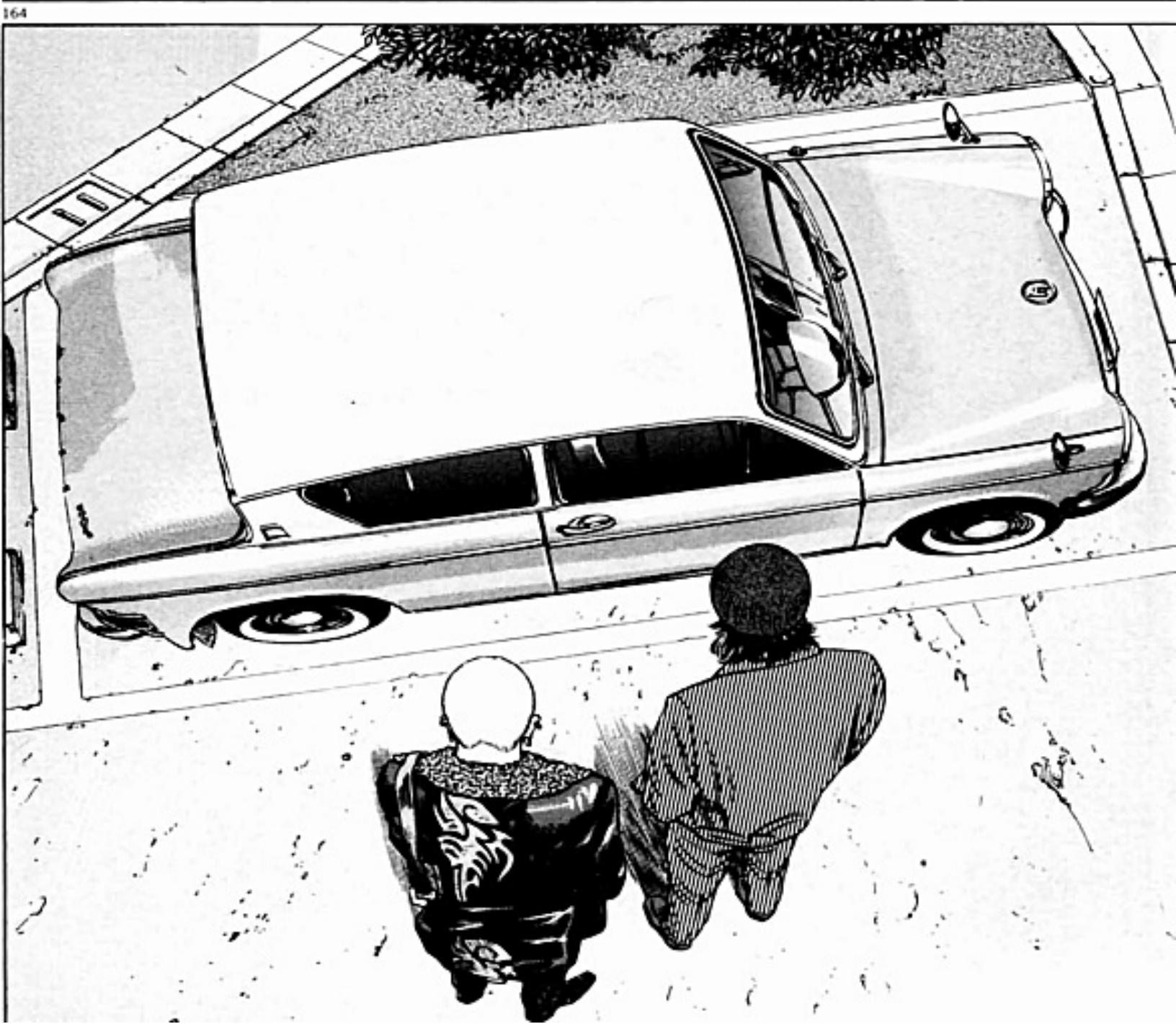




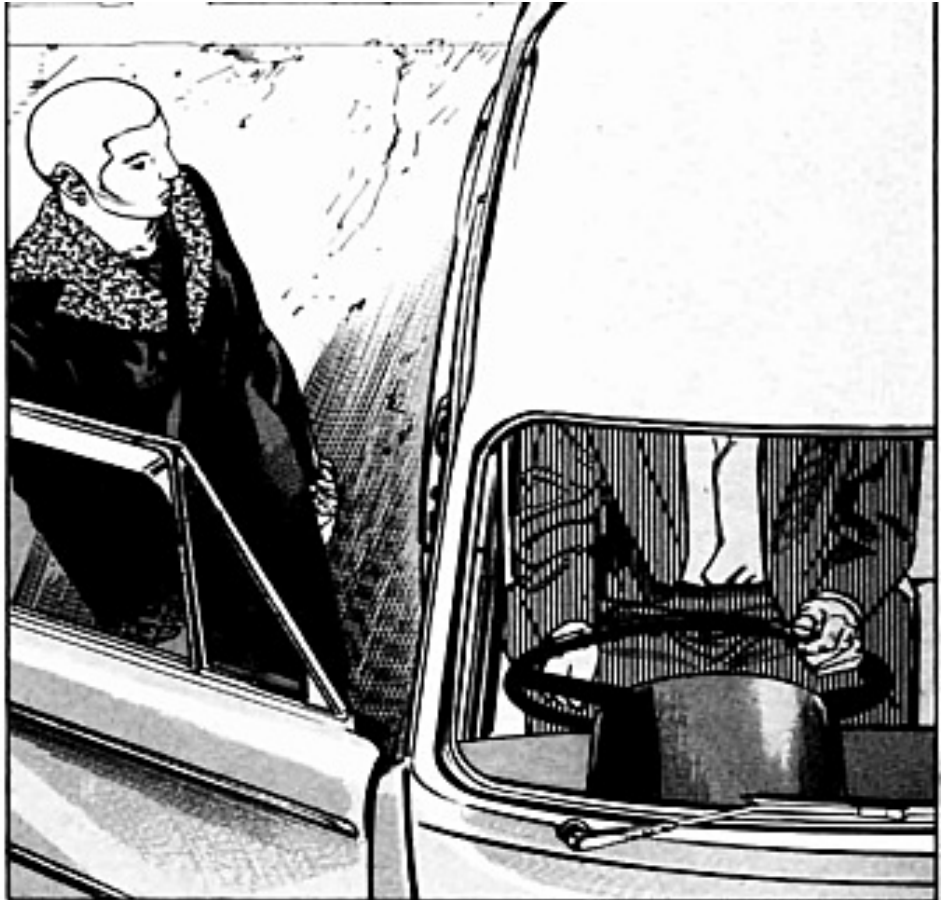










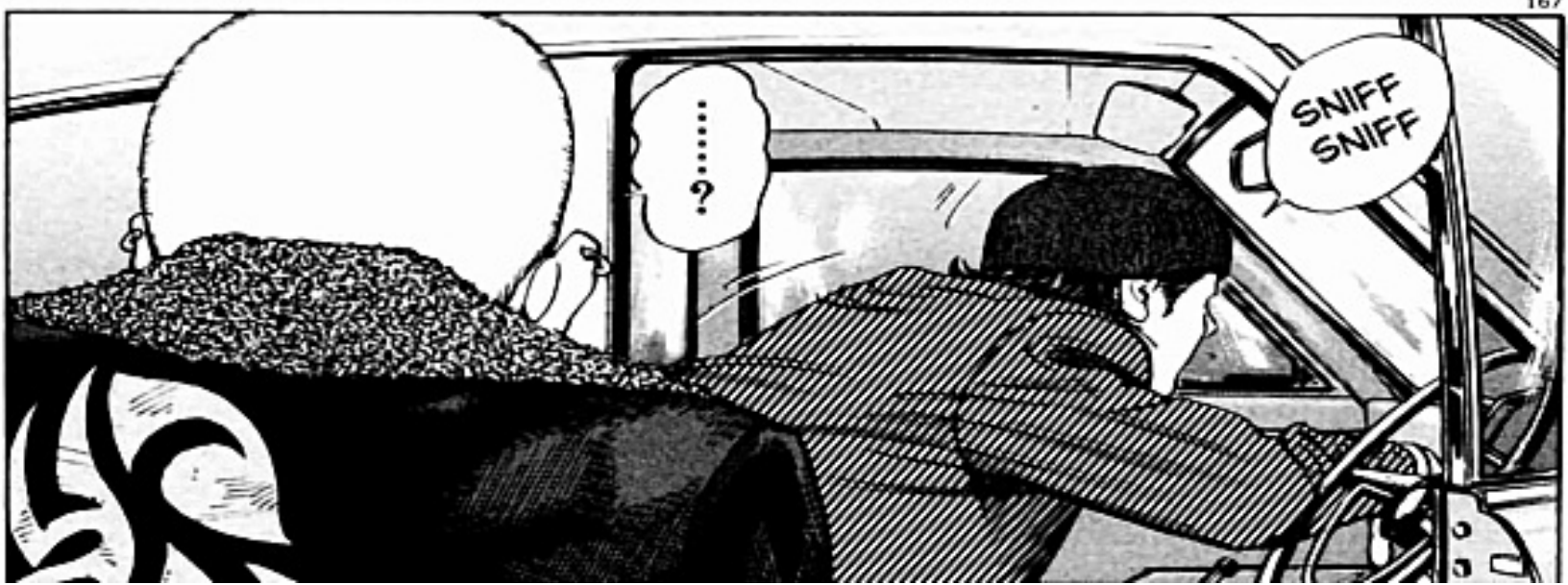




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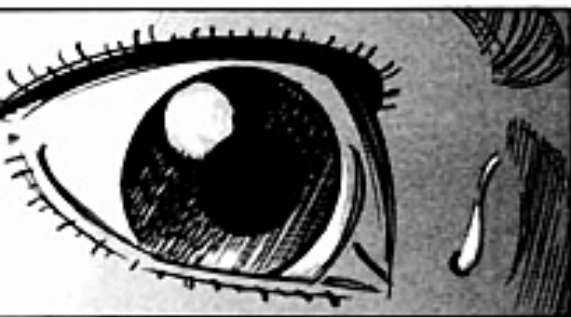
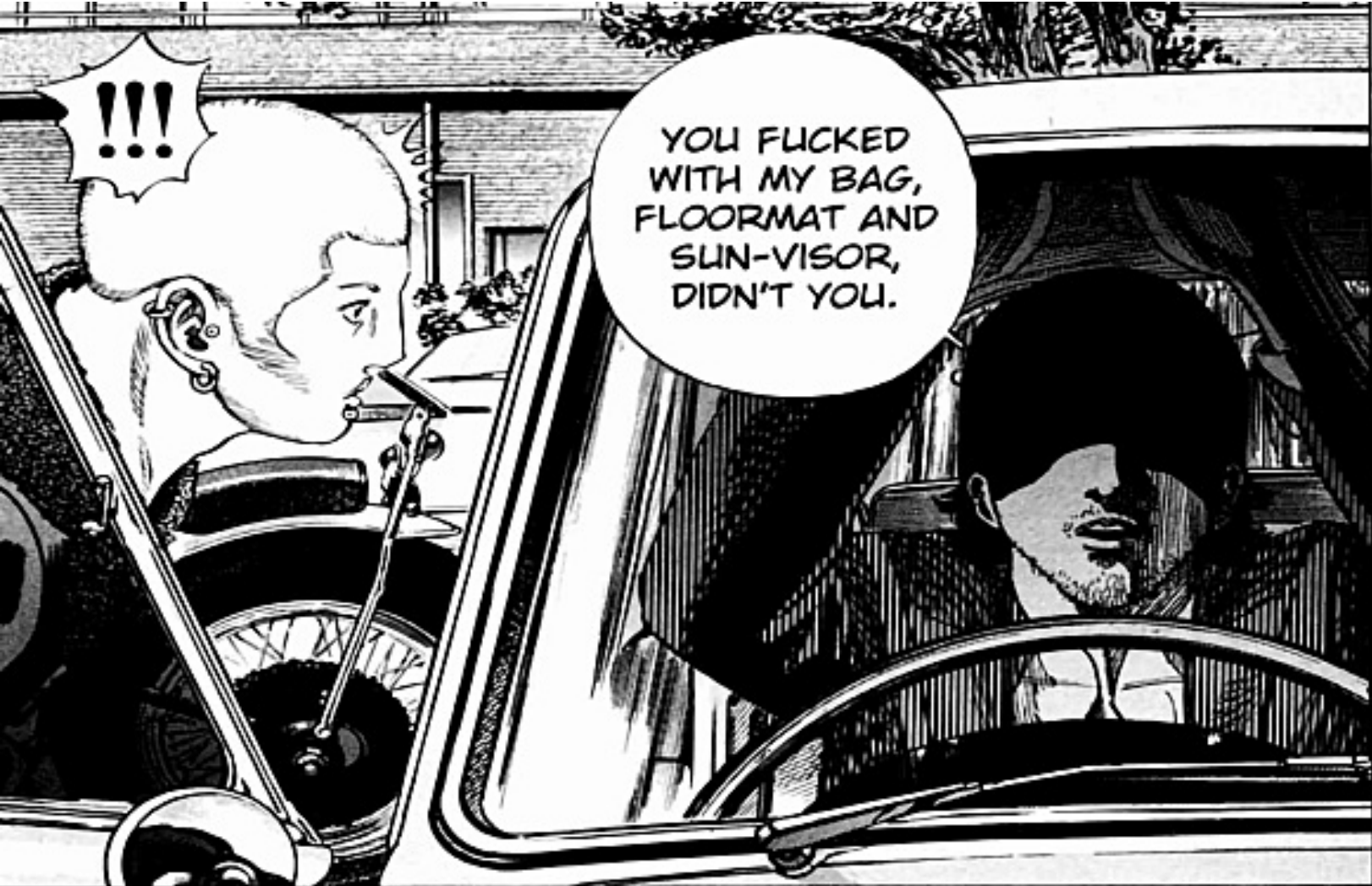










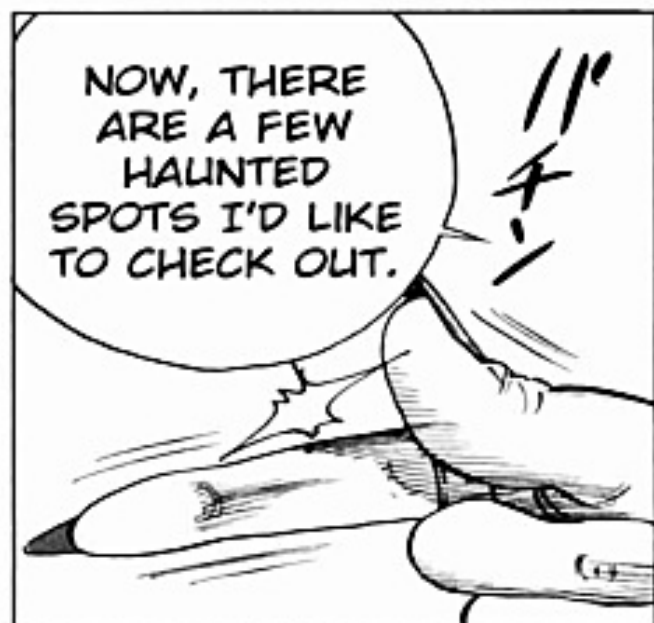
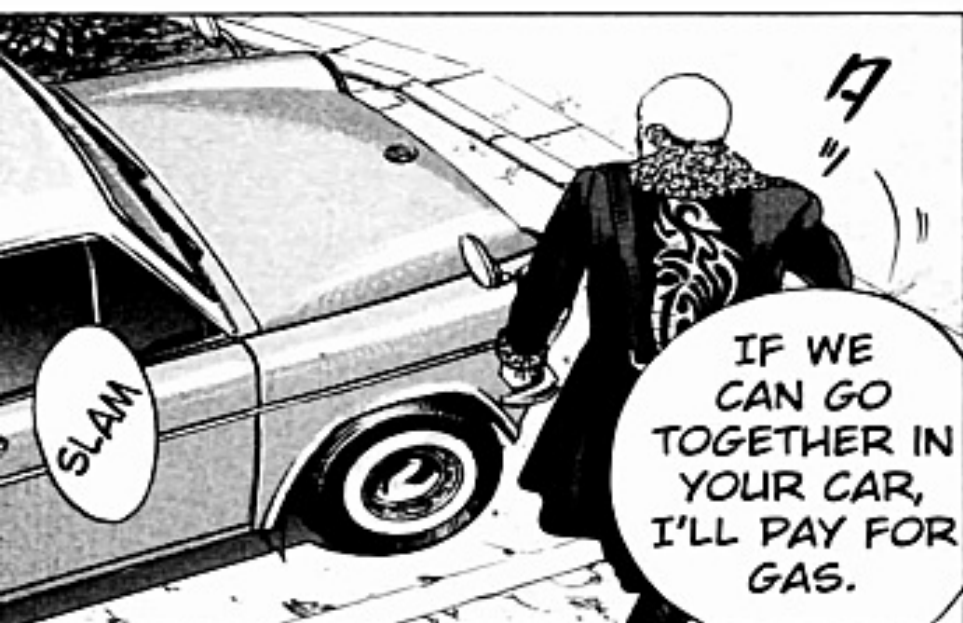


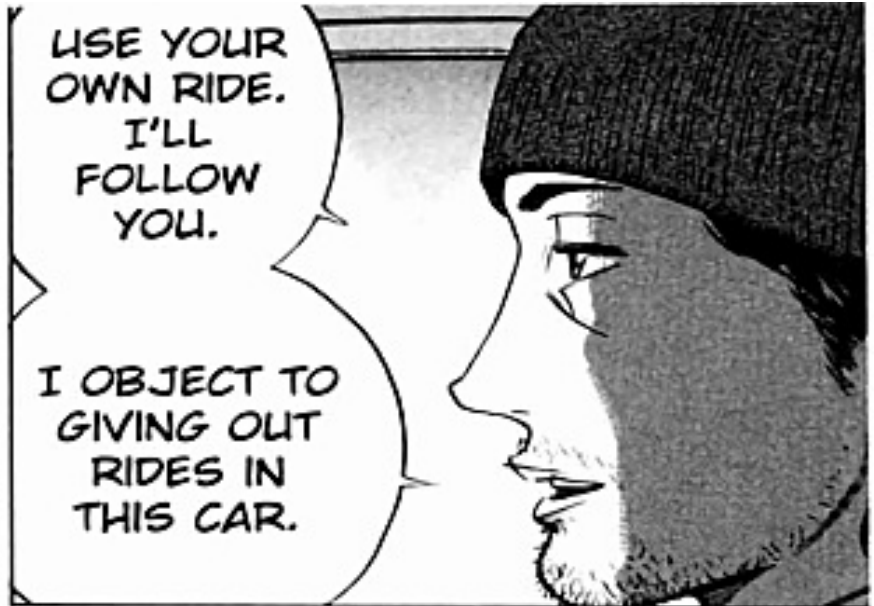


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Day 2	Spirit Awareness Check	1. ESP Cards 2. Clairvoyance (Colors, Shapes, Letters inside Envelope) 3. Telepathy 4. Dowsing
Day 3	ESP Tests	1. Spoon-bending 2. Spirit Photography (Polaroid Camera) 3. Using willpower to move paper balanced on nail
Day 4	Psychokinesis Tests	1. Divine the owner of a wallet 2. Divine the past from a photo 3. Divine a person's background from a voice recording
Day 5	Psychometry Tests	1. Meet a normal person chosen at random 2. Meet an inpatient of a mental hospital 3. Meet a prison inmate
Day 6	Retrocognition Tests	



Telepathy  
Dowsing  
Spoon-bending  
Spirit Photography















THIS IS A  
FAMOUS  
GHOST  
TUNNEL.



FEEL  
SOME-  
THING  
...?

C-CAN  
YOU...



IT DOES  
LOOK  
CREEPY.

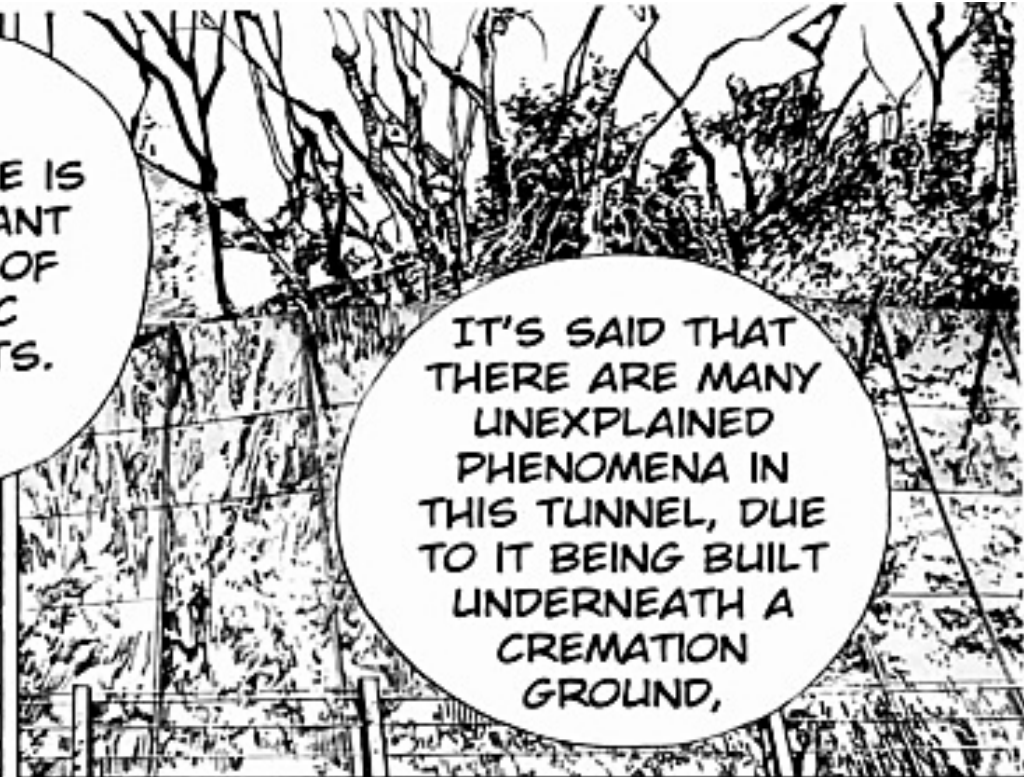


ANYONE  
COULD  
TELL YOU  
IT LOOKS  
CREEPY.

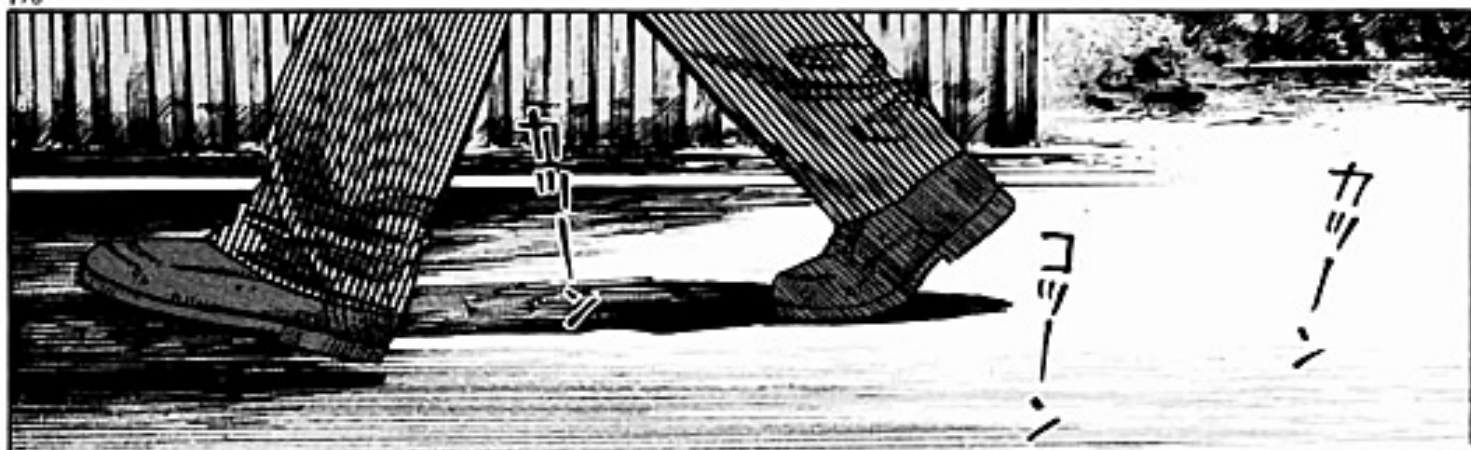
FEEL  
SOME-  
THING  
...?



AND THERE IS  
A CONSTANT  
STREAM OF  
TRAFFIC  
ACCIDENTS.



IT'S SAID THAT  
THERE ARE MANY  
UNEXPLAINED  
PHENOMENA IN  
THIS TUNNEL, DUE  
TO IT BEING BUILT  
UNDERNEATH A  
CREMATION  
GROUND,









DON'T WORRY.

I'M WATCHING FROM HERE, IN CASE ANYTHING HAPPENS.



WHAT ARE YOU DOING ...?



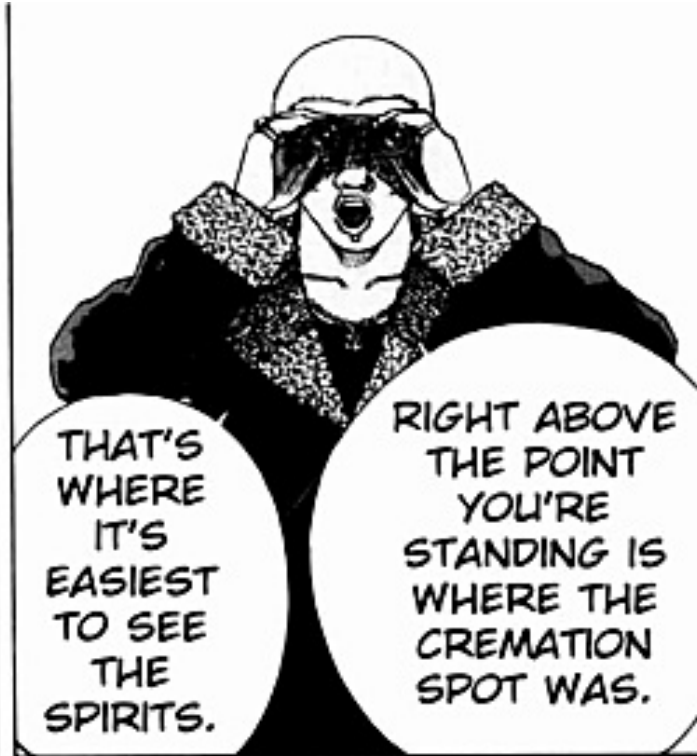
WHAT IS THIS, A TEST OF COURAGE ...?



... JESUS.

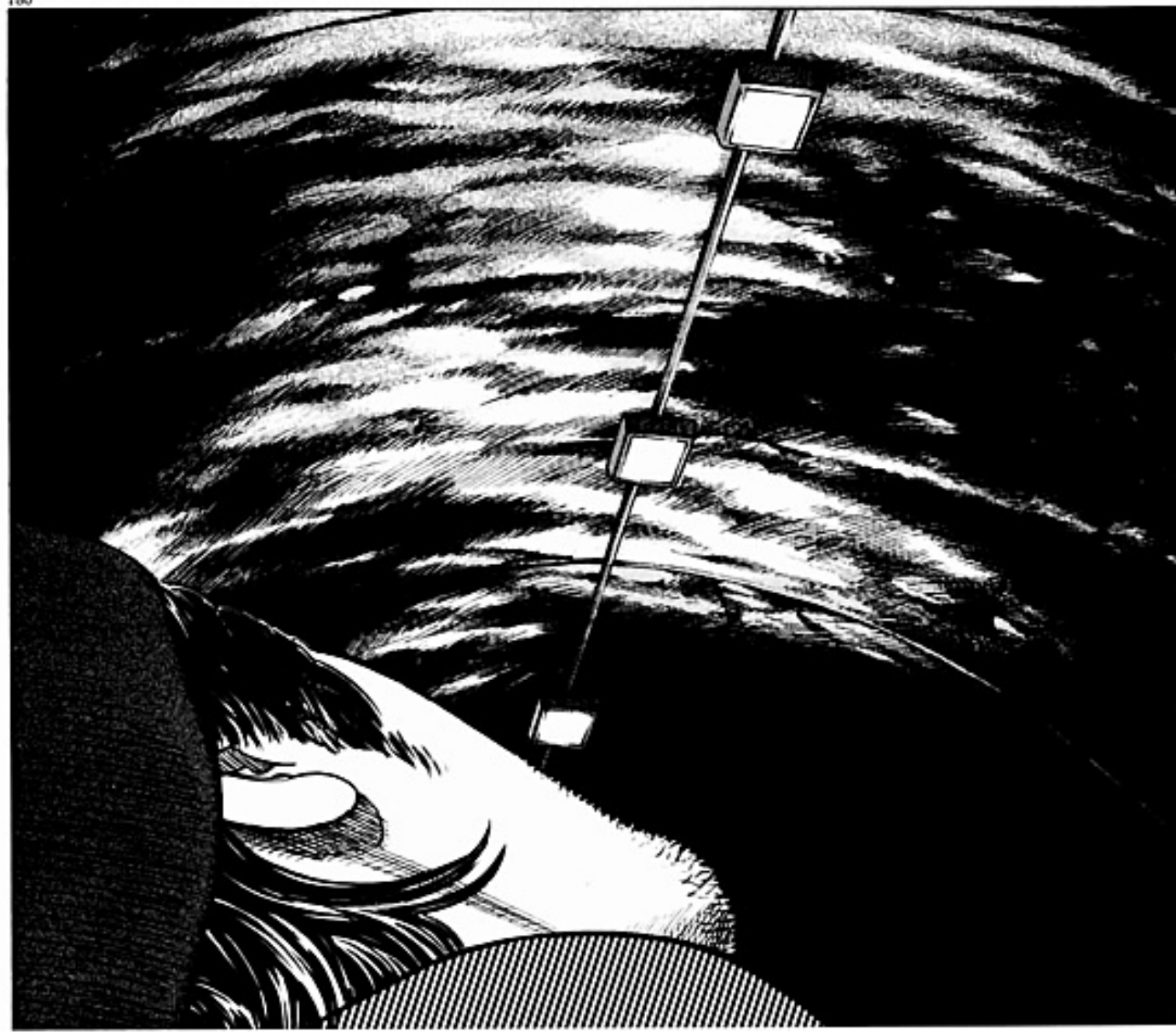




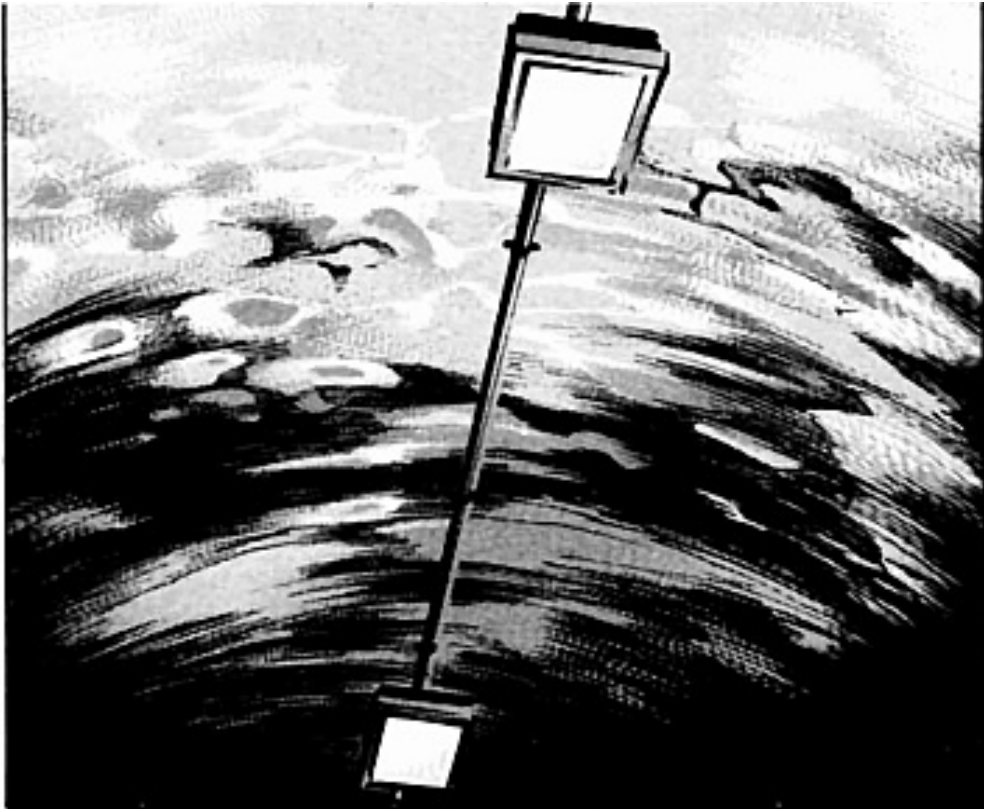


THAT'S  
WHERE  
IT'S  
EASIEST  
TO SEE  
THE  
SPIRITS.

RIGHT ABOVE  
THE POINT  
YOU'RE  
STANDING IS  
WHERE THE  
CREMATION  
SPOT WAS.



CAN YOU  
FEEL  
ANYTHING?

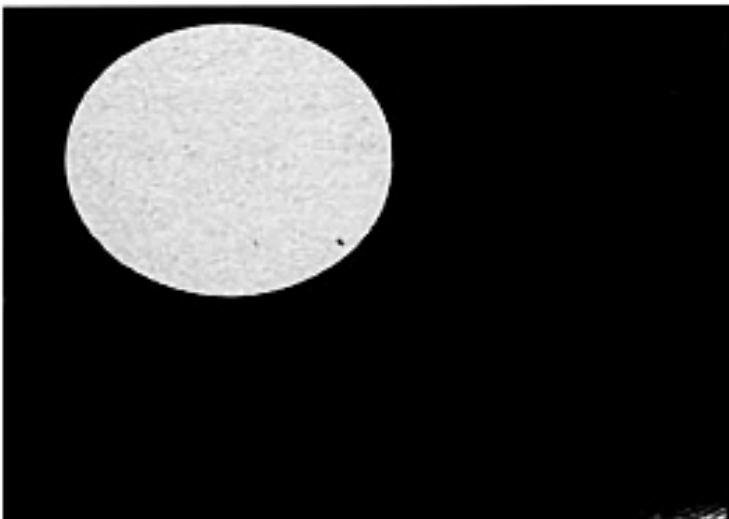


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# 2. *Haunted Hospital*

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!!!  
YOU  
COME,  
TOO.



WHAT  
?



THIS ONE'S A  
BIT TOO  
MUCH FOR  
ONE PERSON  
...



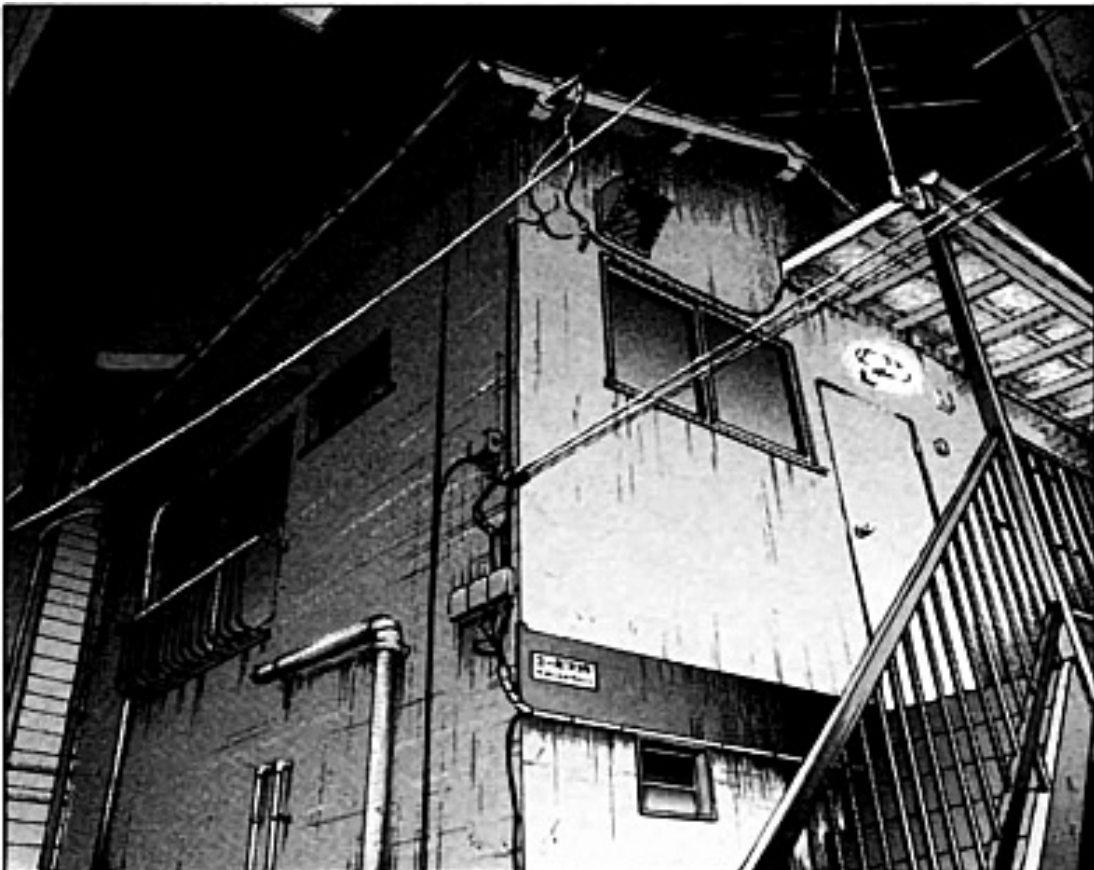
HMM  
MM...



OTHER-  
WISE I'M  
NOT  
GOING IN  
THERE.



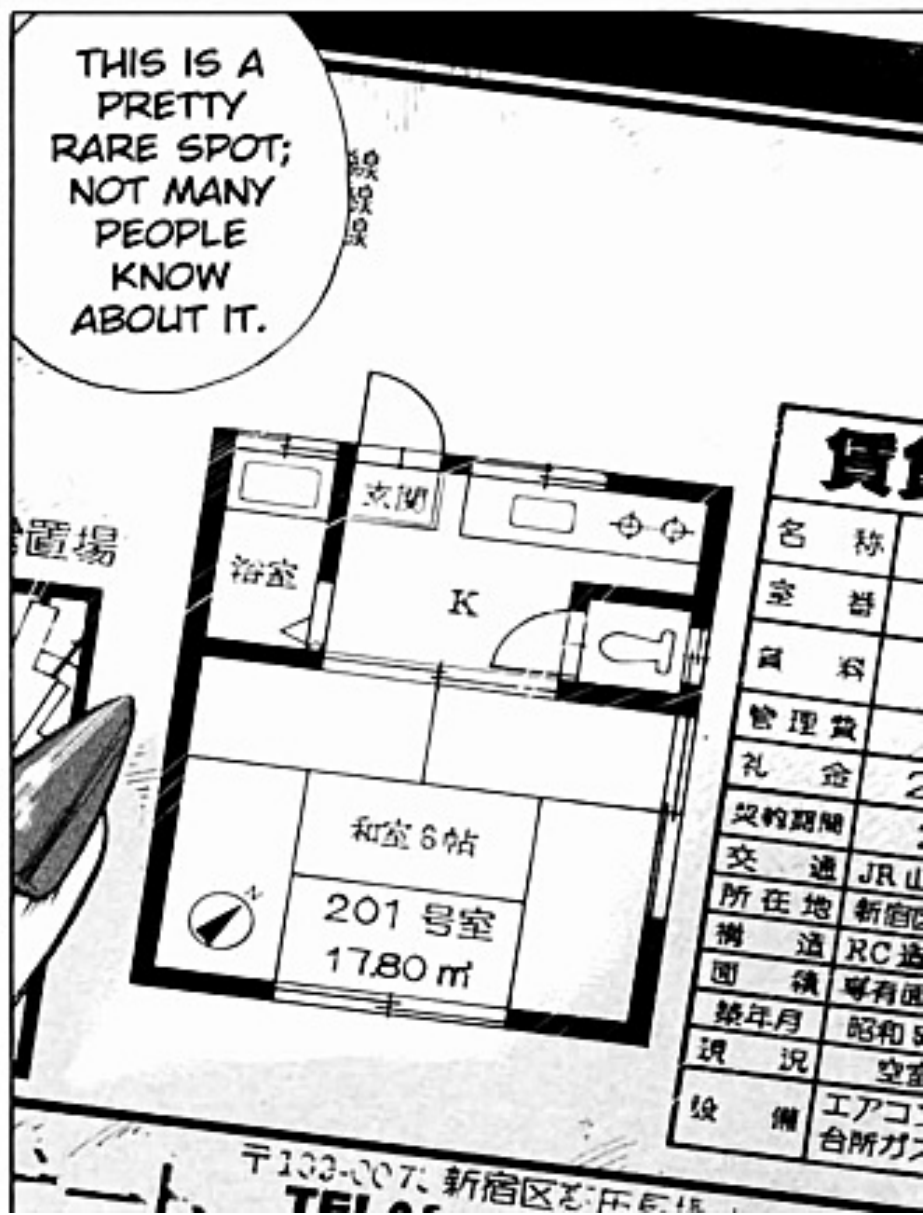
LET'S VISIT  
AGAIN, IN  
THE  
DAYTIME...



200K A MONTH, WITH A BATH AND TOILET.

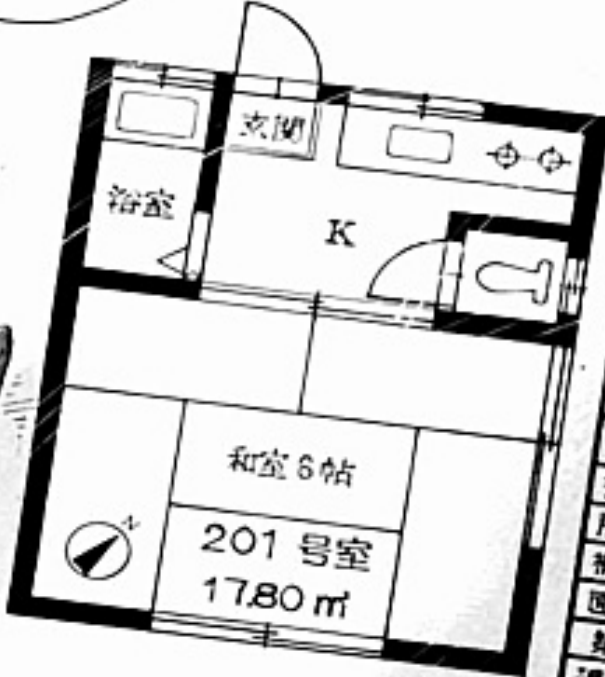
NO DOWN PAYMENT OR DEPOSIT ...

WHAT HAPPENED?



THIS IS A PRETTY RARE SPOT; NOT MANY PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT IT.

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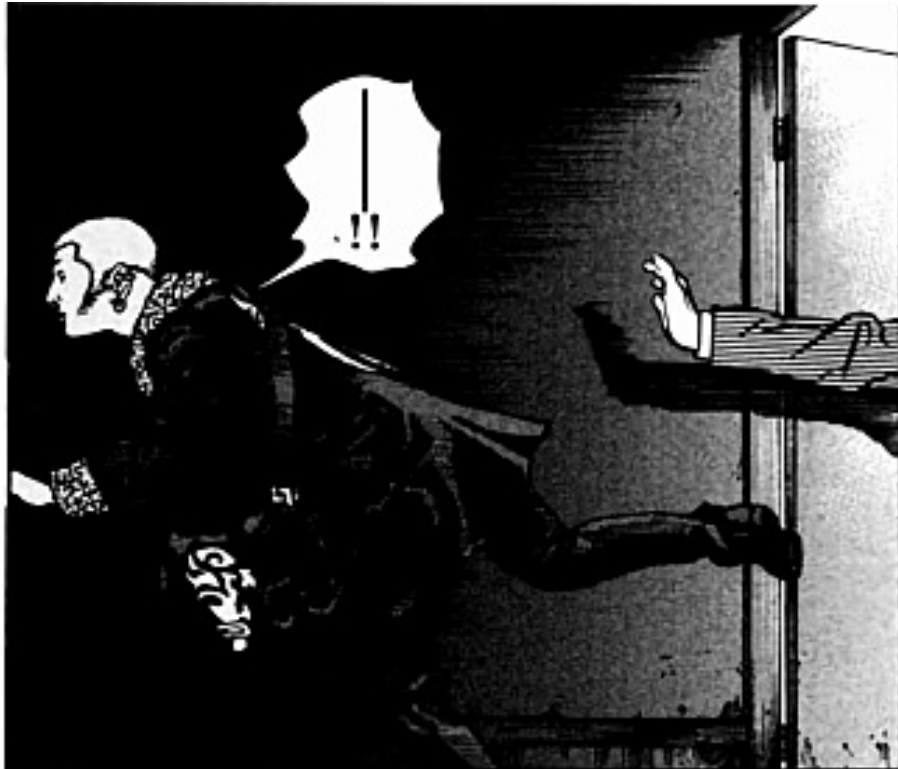


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賃料	
管理費	
礼金	2
契約期間	
交通	JR山
所在地	新宿区
構造	RC造
面積	専有面
築年月	昭和5
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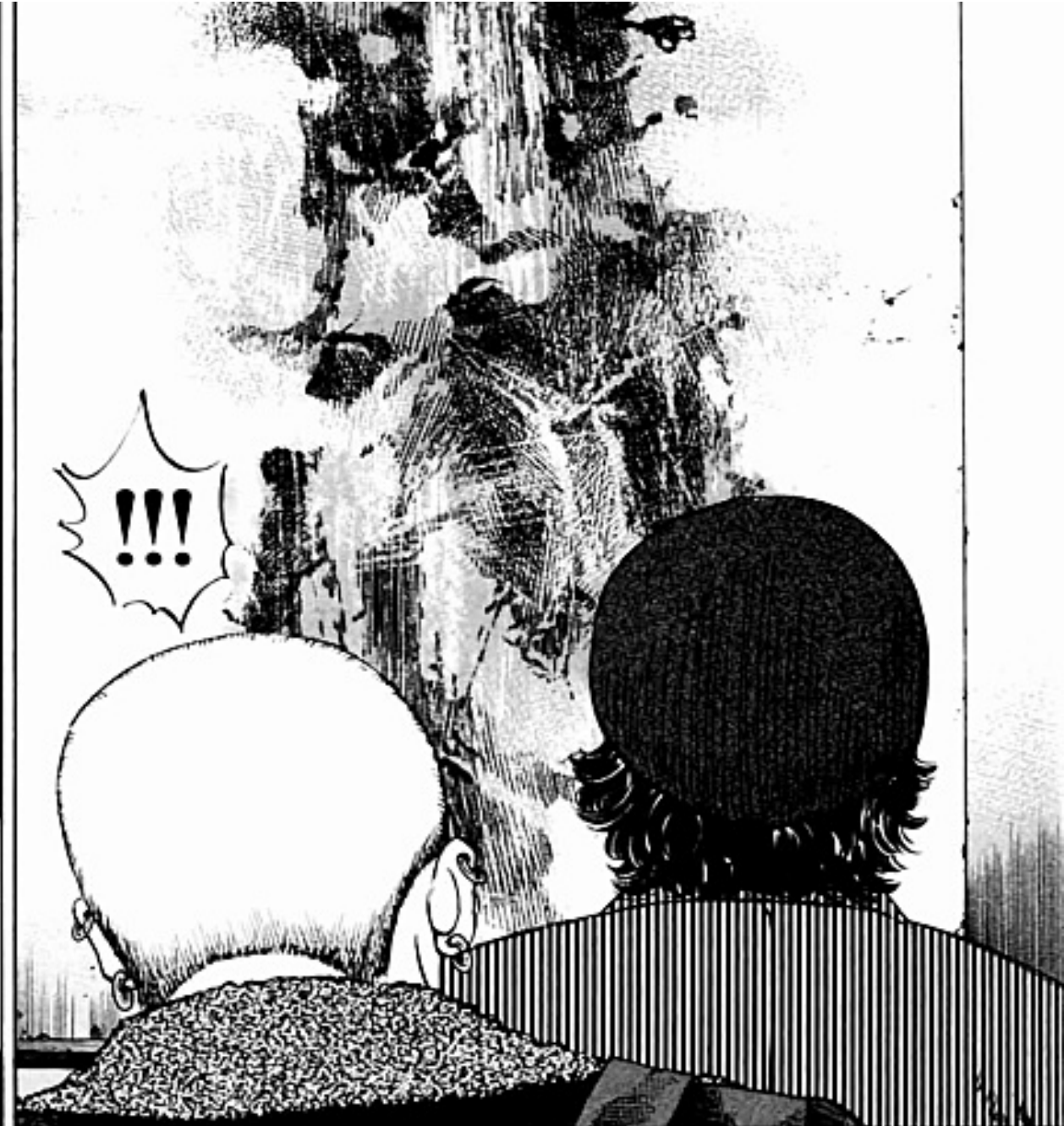


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FROM THE  
MARK ON  
THE WALL,  
OBVIOUSLY.



HMM  
MM  
...



DO YOU  
FEEL  
ANYTHING  
...?

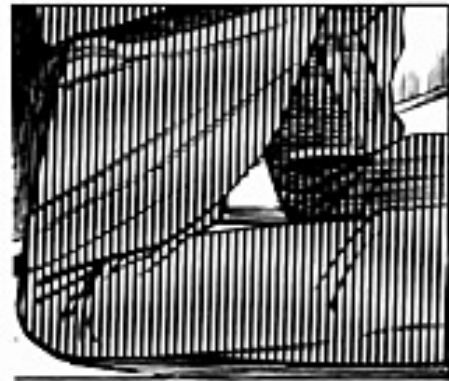
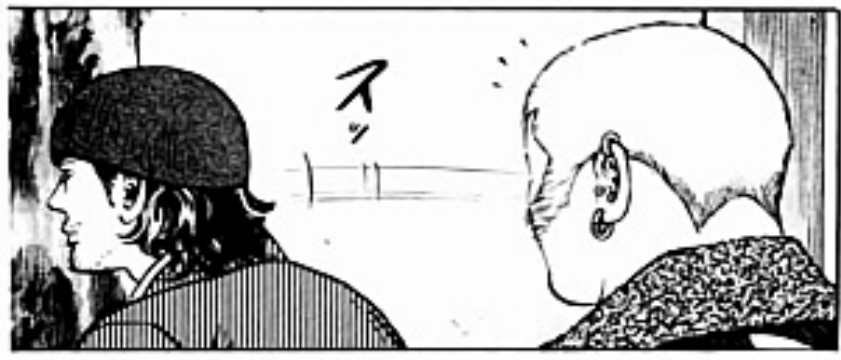
SO...



THERE ARE A  
DOMINANT  
NUMBER OF  
"SPIRIT  
AWARENESS"  
CASES AFTER  
TREPANNING.



CAN YOU  
FEEL THE  
GHOSTS OF  
THE MURDERED  
WOMEN?

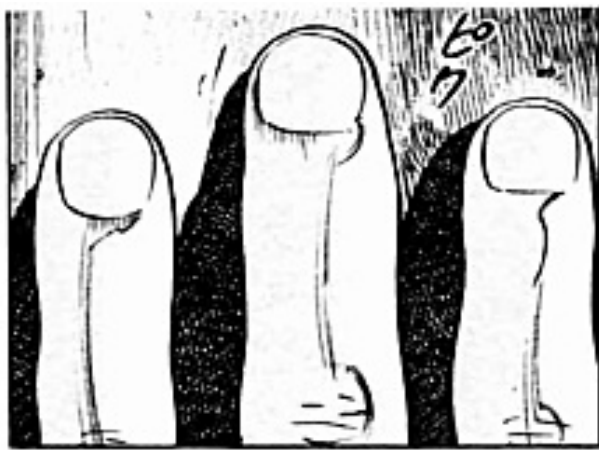




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I THOUGHT I HAD SOFTENED YOU UP WITH THAT HOLE IN YOUR SKULL...



YOU REALLY ARE A HARD-HEADED PERSON, MR. NAKOSHI.



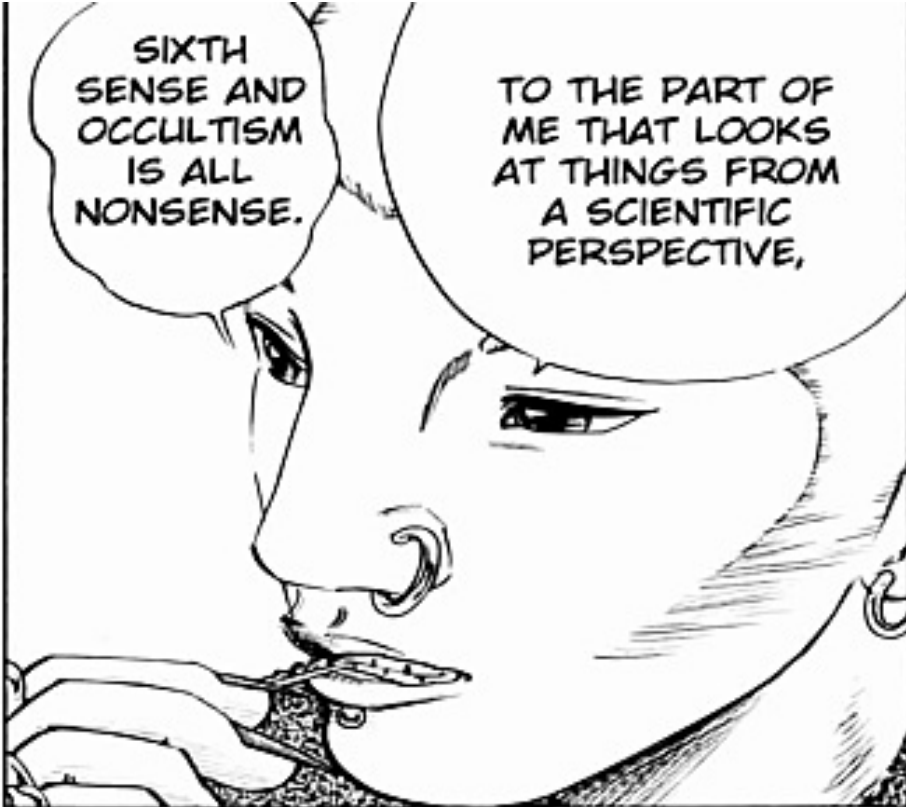
!?



I DON'T BELIEVE IN SIXTH SENSE EITHER.



WELL, I'LL BE FRANK.



SIXTH SENSE AND OCCULTISM IS ALL NONSENSE.

TO THE PART OF ME THAT LOOKS AT THINGS FROM A SCIENTIFIC PERSPECTIVE,



PROOF THAT PART OF ME DOES BELIEVE IN IT.

BUT I ALSO FEEL AFRAID OF IT.



I WANT TO CRUSH ALL THE PARTS INSIDE OF ME THAT ALLOW FOR THE EXISTENCE OF THIS NONSENSE, SO THAT I CAN STAND PROUDLY,

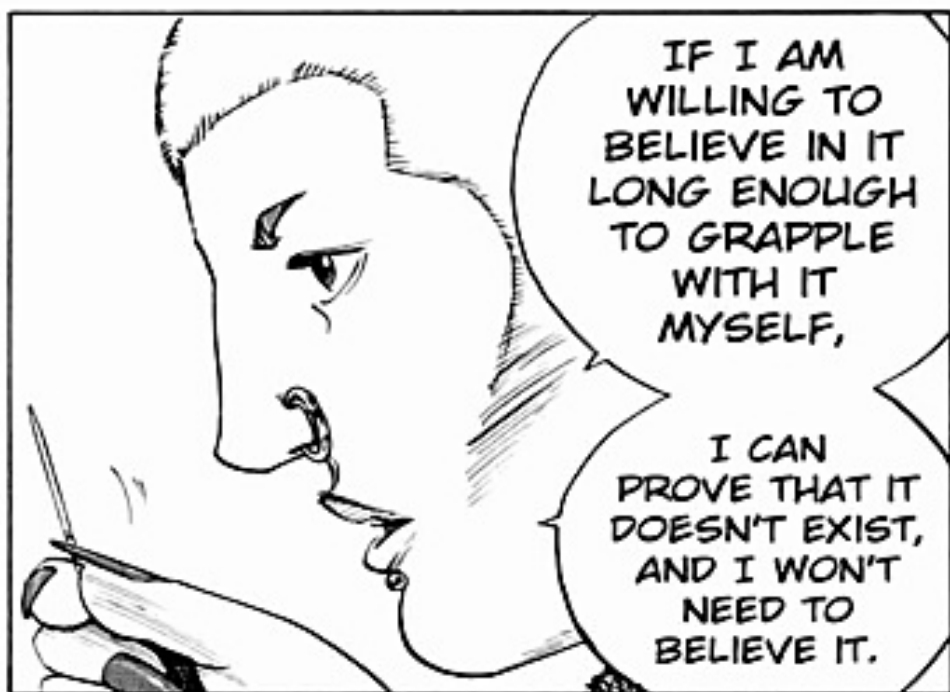
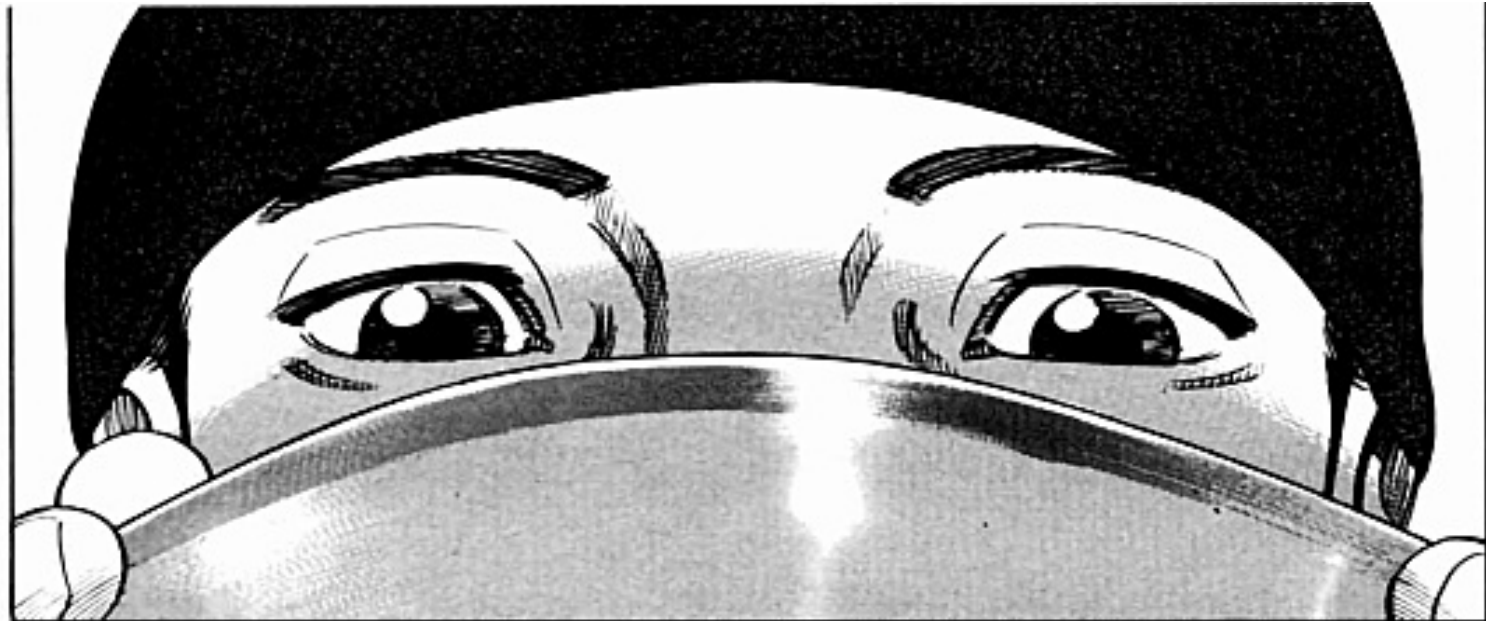
AND DENY IT ALL.

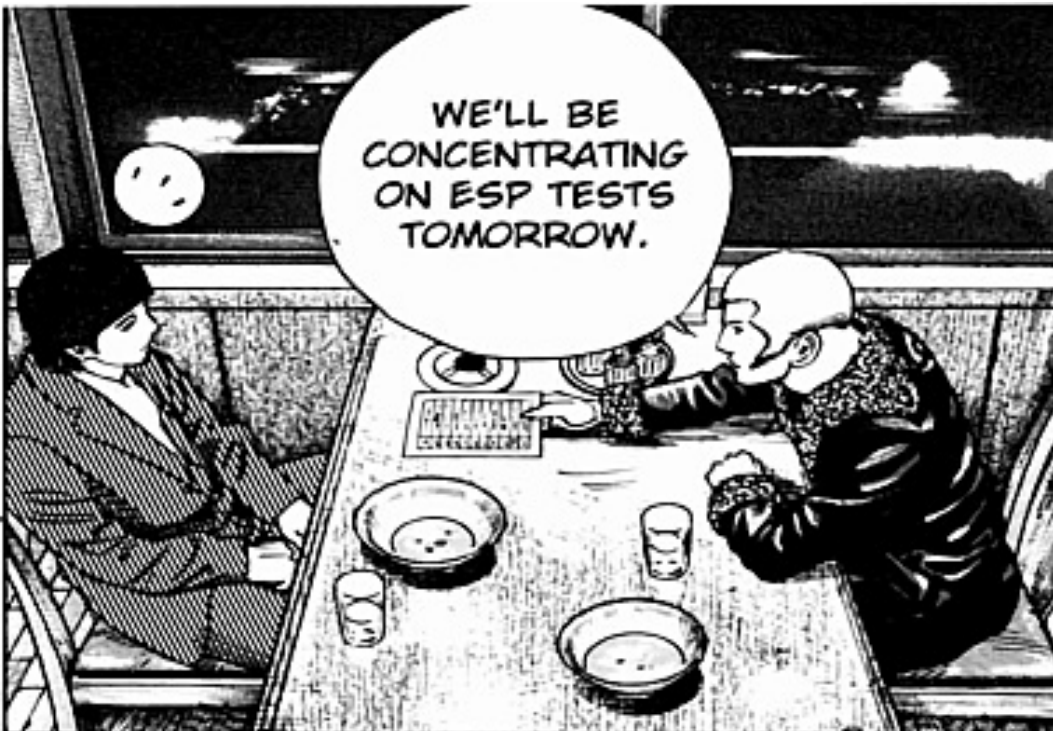


THAT'S WHY I WANT TO PROVE IT WITH THIS EXPERIMENT.

!







WE'LL BE  
CONCENTRATING  
ON ESP TESTS  
TOMORROW.



WE STILL  
HAVE  
NINE  
DAYS.

ANY  
WAYS.

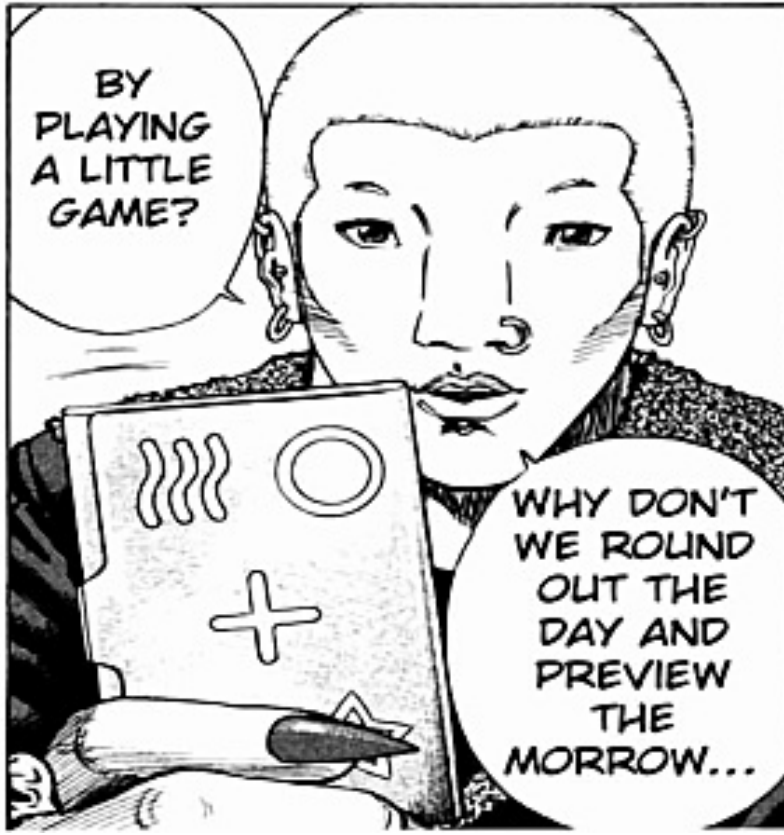


Day 3

ESP Tests



GAME  
...?



BY  
PLAYING  
A LITTLE  
GAME?

WHY DON'T  
WE ROUND  
OUT THE  
DAY AND  
PREVIEW  
THE  
MORROW...



I JUST  
HAPPEN  
TO HAVE  
MY ESP  
CARDS...

OH,

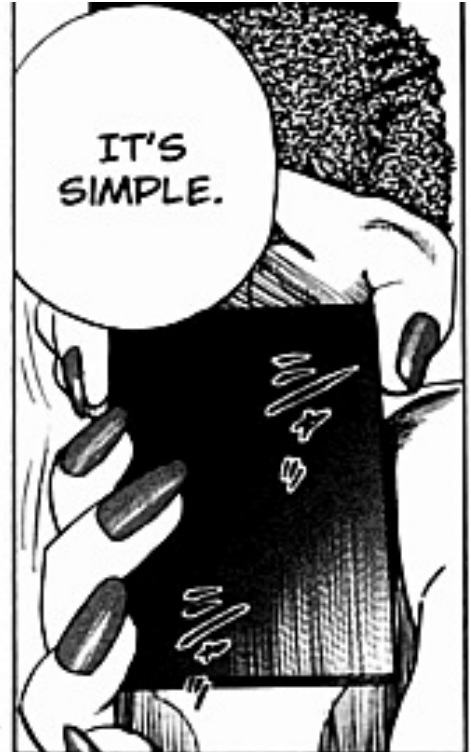


I PLACE THEM UPSIDE DOWN AT RANDOM.

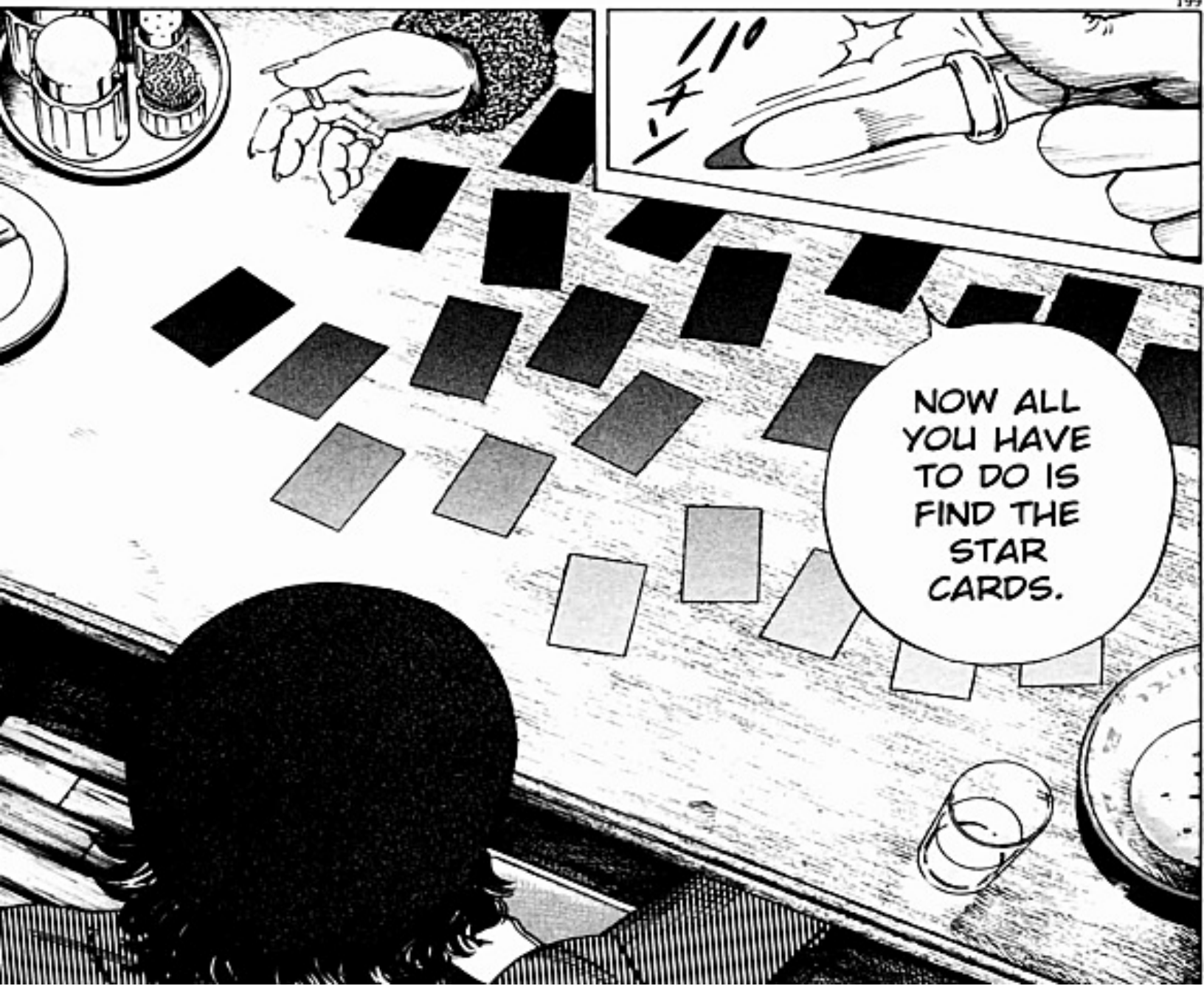


TWENTY-FIVE IN TOTAL.

THERE ARE FIVE EACH OF FIVE TYPES OF CARD,




IT'S SIMPLE.



NOW ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS FIND THE STAR CARDS.





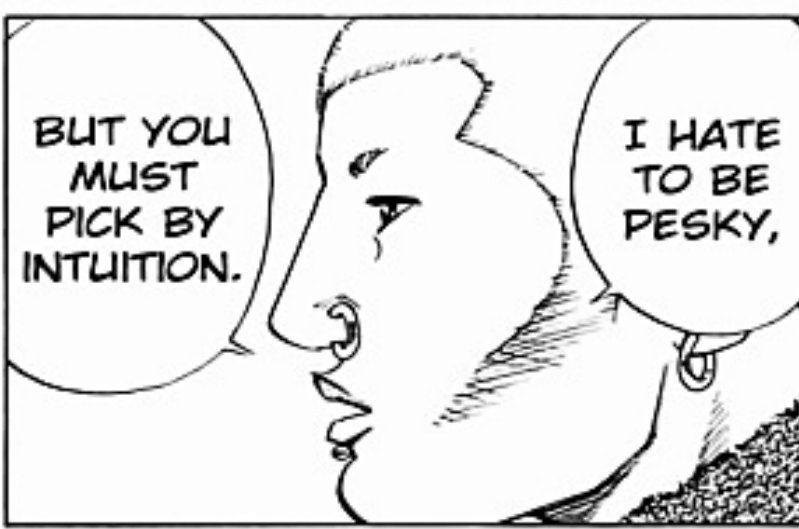
YOUR CHANCES OF PICKING ONE AT RANDOM IS  $1/5$ , OF COURSE, BUT GETTING ALL FIVE IS LESS THAN  $1/50000$ .



WE'LL SEE HOW MANY YOU PICK, OUT OF FIVE.



OK.



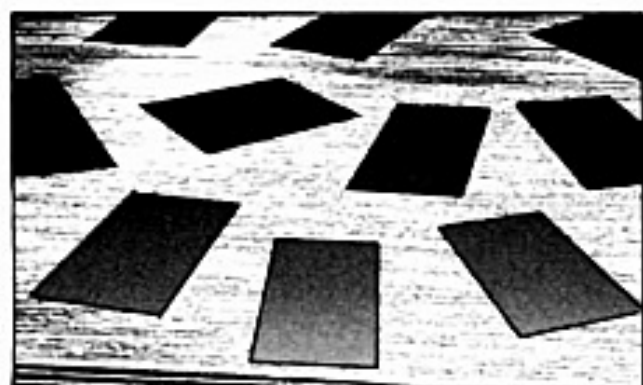
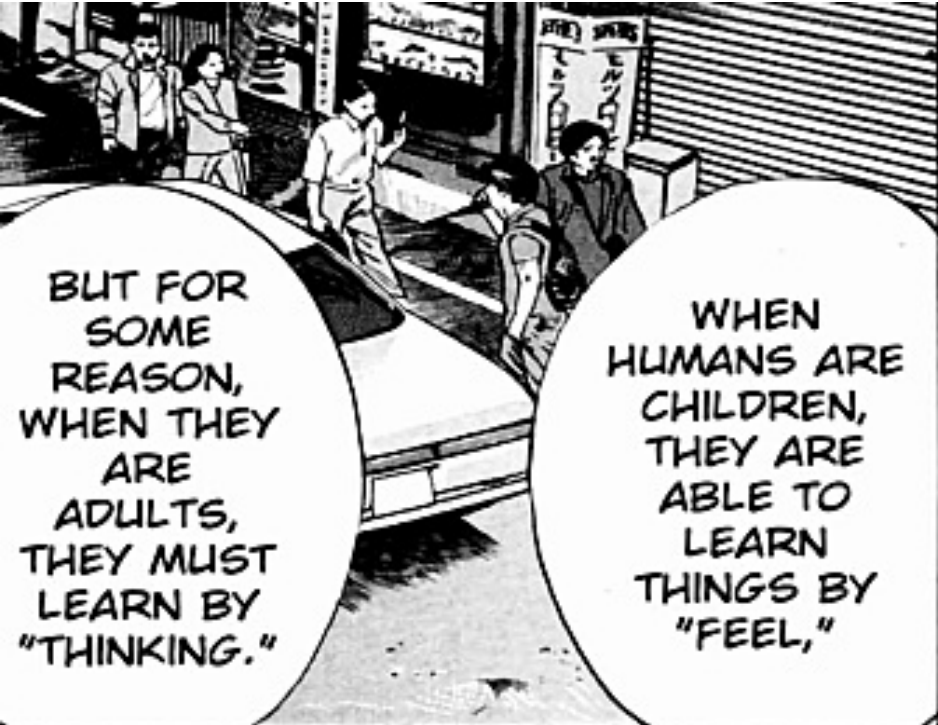
BUT YOU MUST PICK BY INTUITION.



I HATE TO BE PESKY,



WAIT A MINUTE.





JUST A  
MOMENT.



HOLD ON  
JUST A  
MOMENT.



MY  
LEFT  
HAND?



TRY  
FEELING WITH  
YOUR ENTIRE  
LEFT SIDE.  
I CAN'T  
EXPLAIN IT  
VERY WELL.

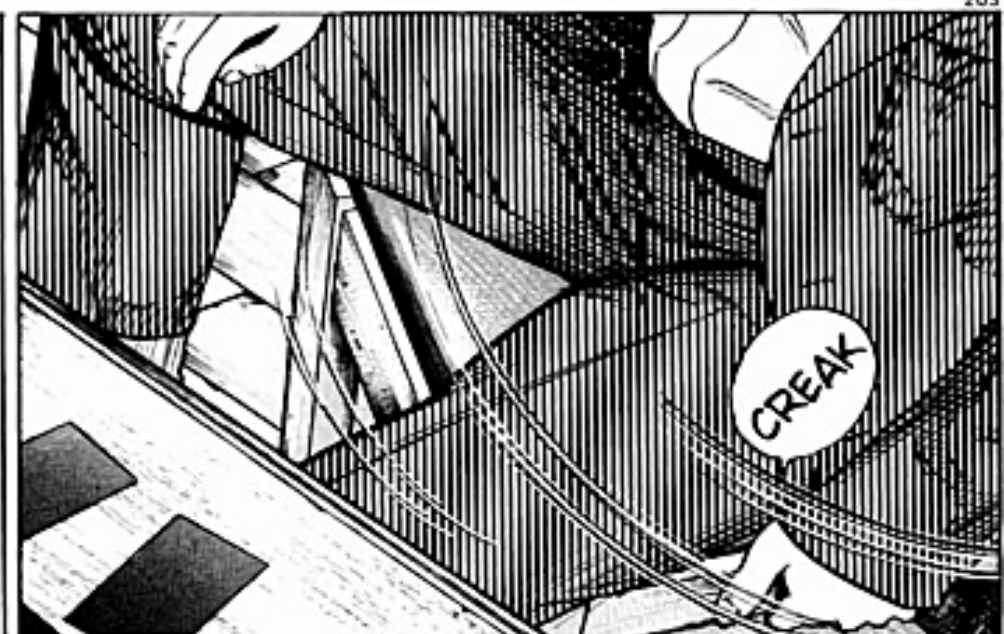


!?

MR.  
NAKOSHI,

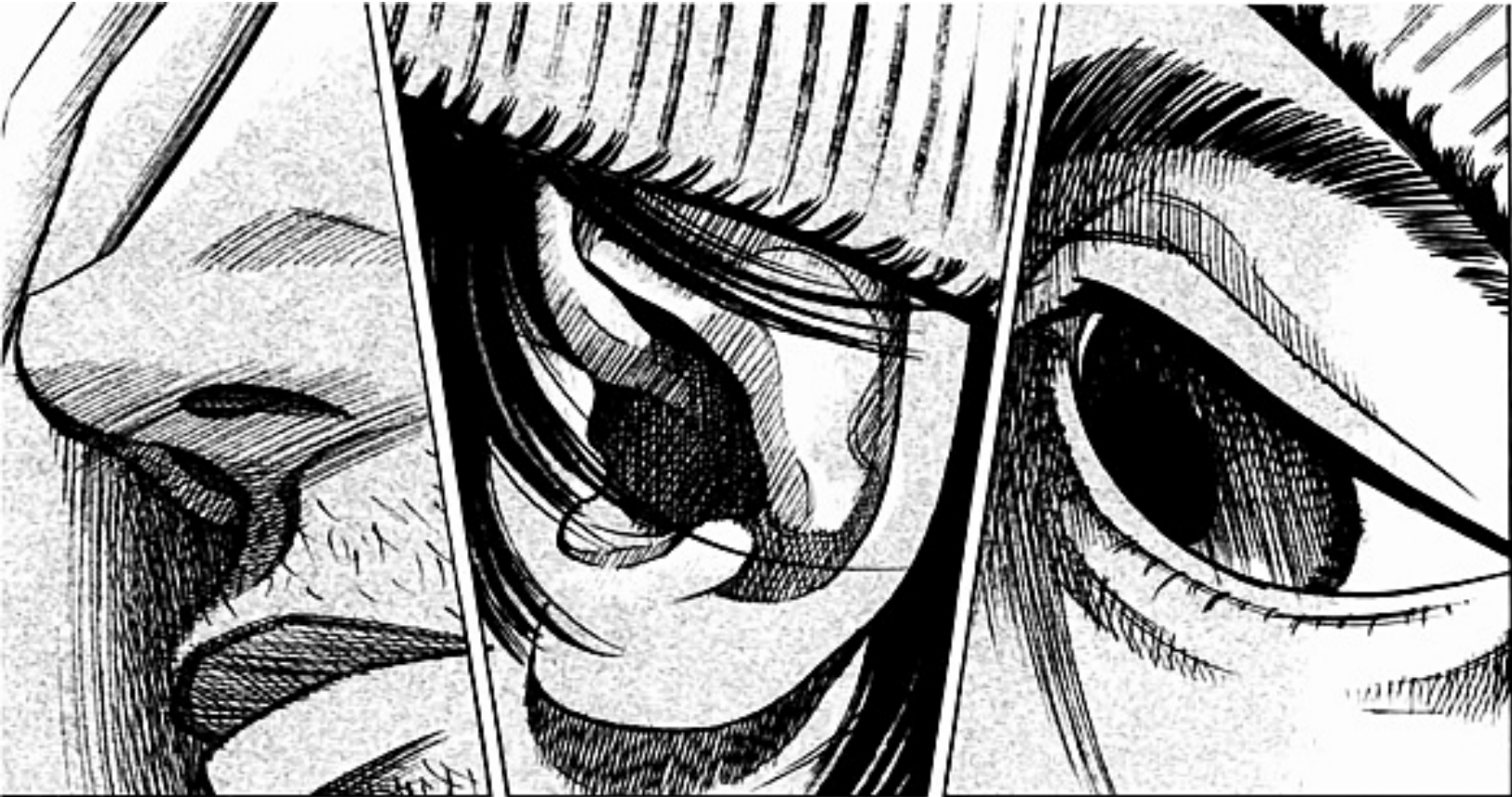
USE  
YOUR  
"LEFT."



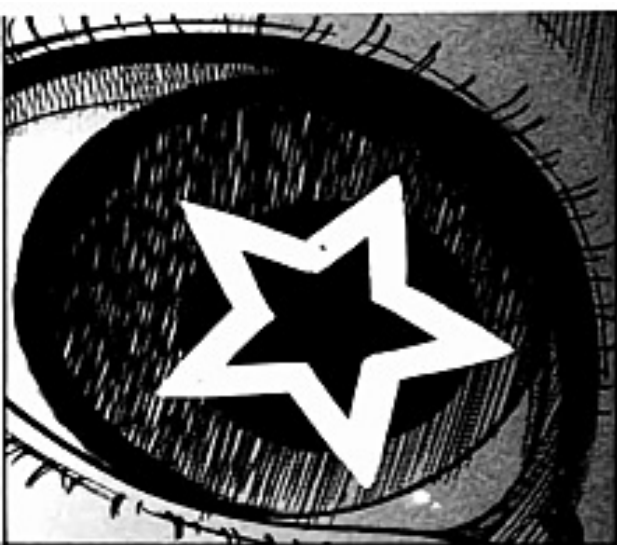




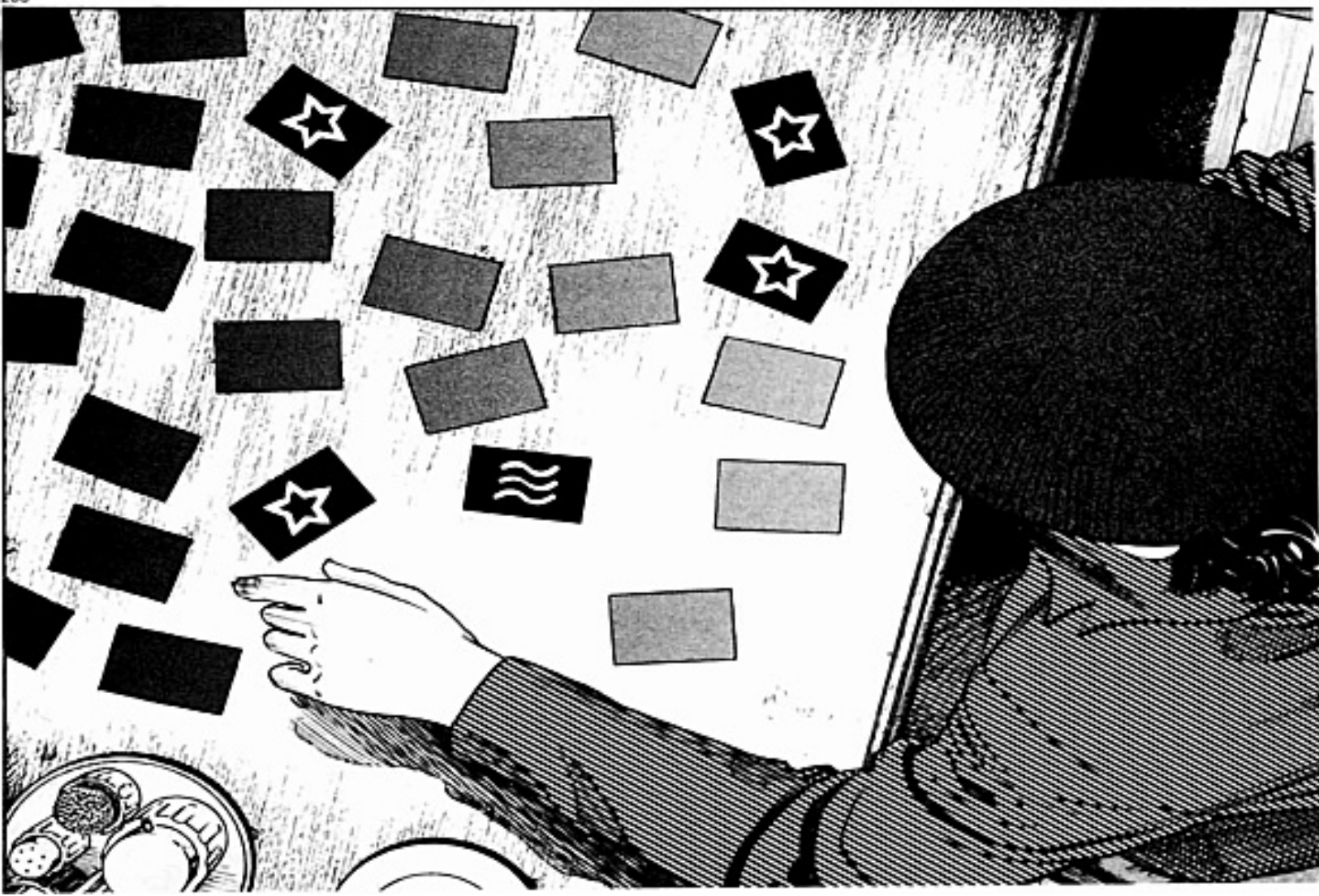




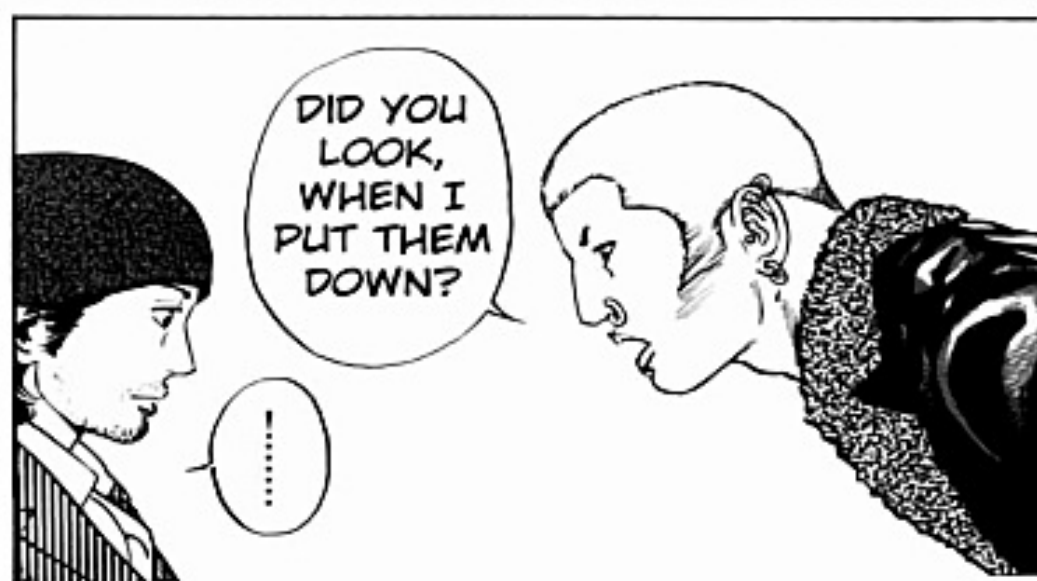
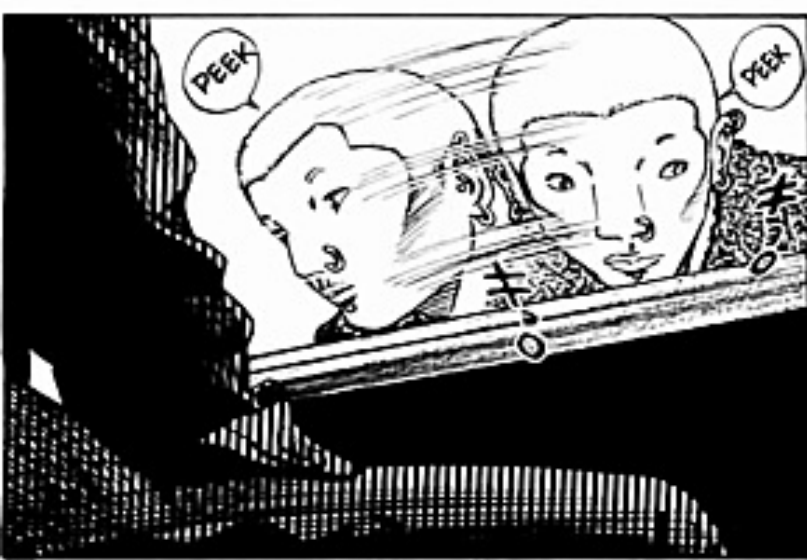




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DON'T LOOK AT ME THAT WAY.



STARE



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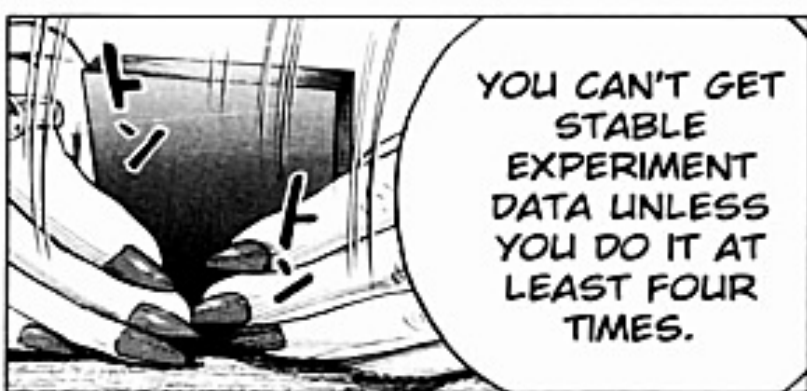


DON'T GET TOO COCKY.



WE'LL DO IT THOROUGHLY, TOMORROW.

VERY WELL.



YOU CAN'T GET STABLE EXPERIMENT DATA UNLESS YOU DO IT AT LEAST FOUR TIMES.



IT'S NOT BAD ...



.....

SO FOUR CARDS IS PRETTY GOOD.

HEH



IT HAS MY NUMBER ON THE BACK.

PLEASE KEEP THIS FOR THE LENGTH OF OUR EXPERIMENT ...



I'LL SEE YOU AT THE PARK AROUND NOON TOMORROW.

GOOD WORK TODAY.

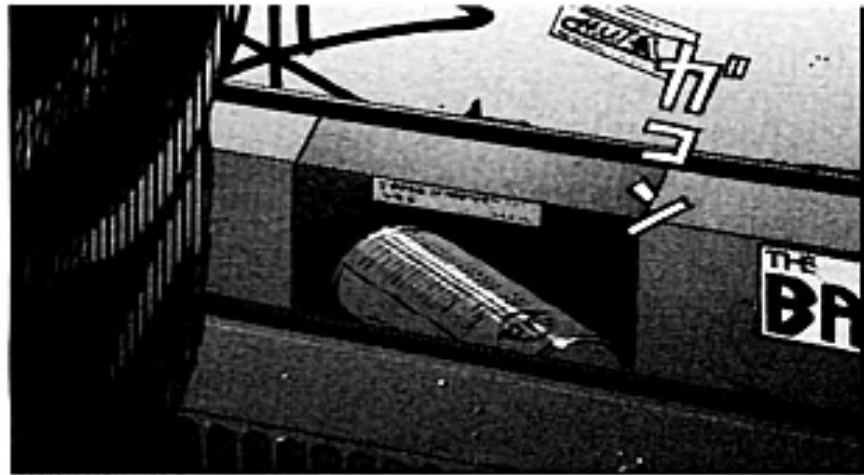


SURE.



CALL ME IF YOU NEED ANYTHING.



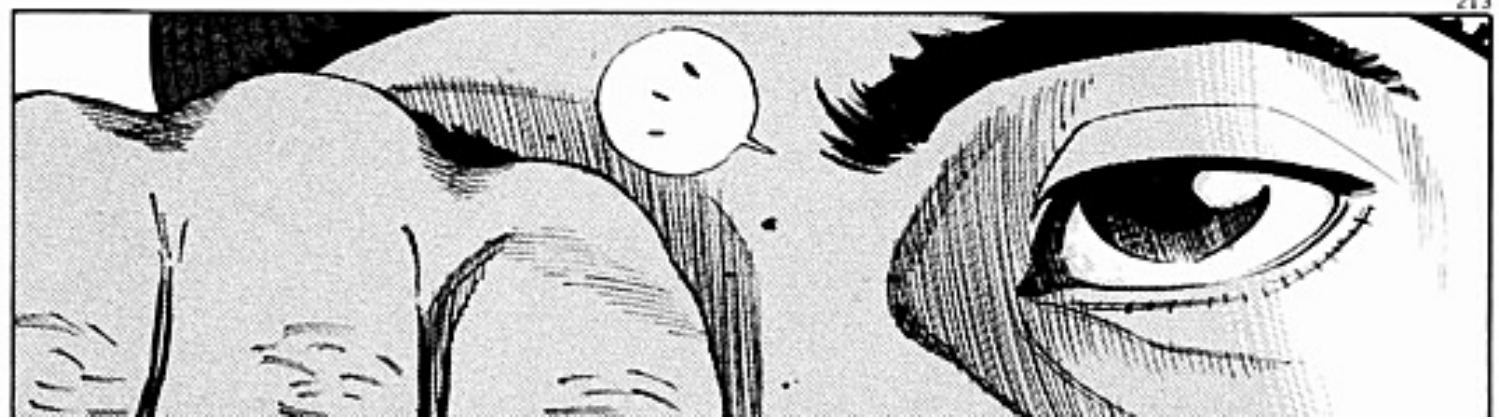




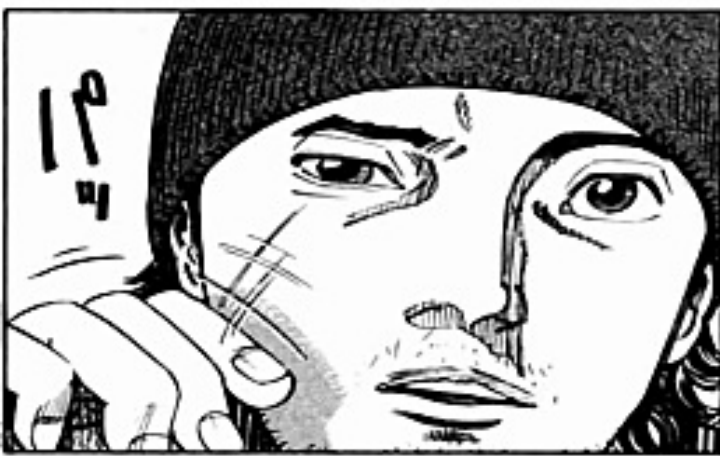


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...  
WHAT  
THE  
HELL?

WHAT  
IS  
THIS  
...?







谷

KOREA BAR

ピテオ

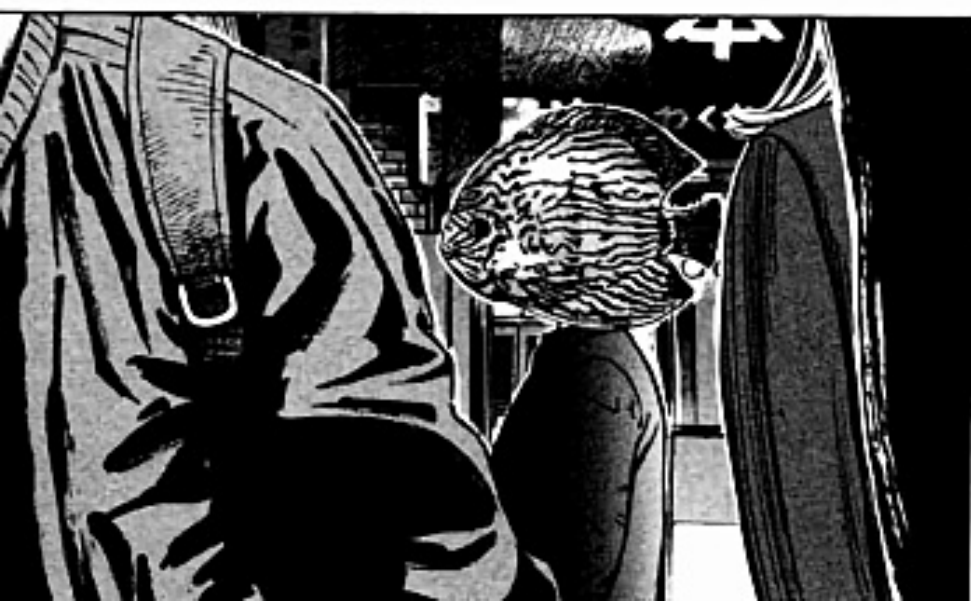
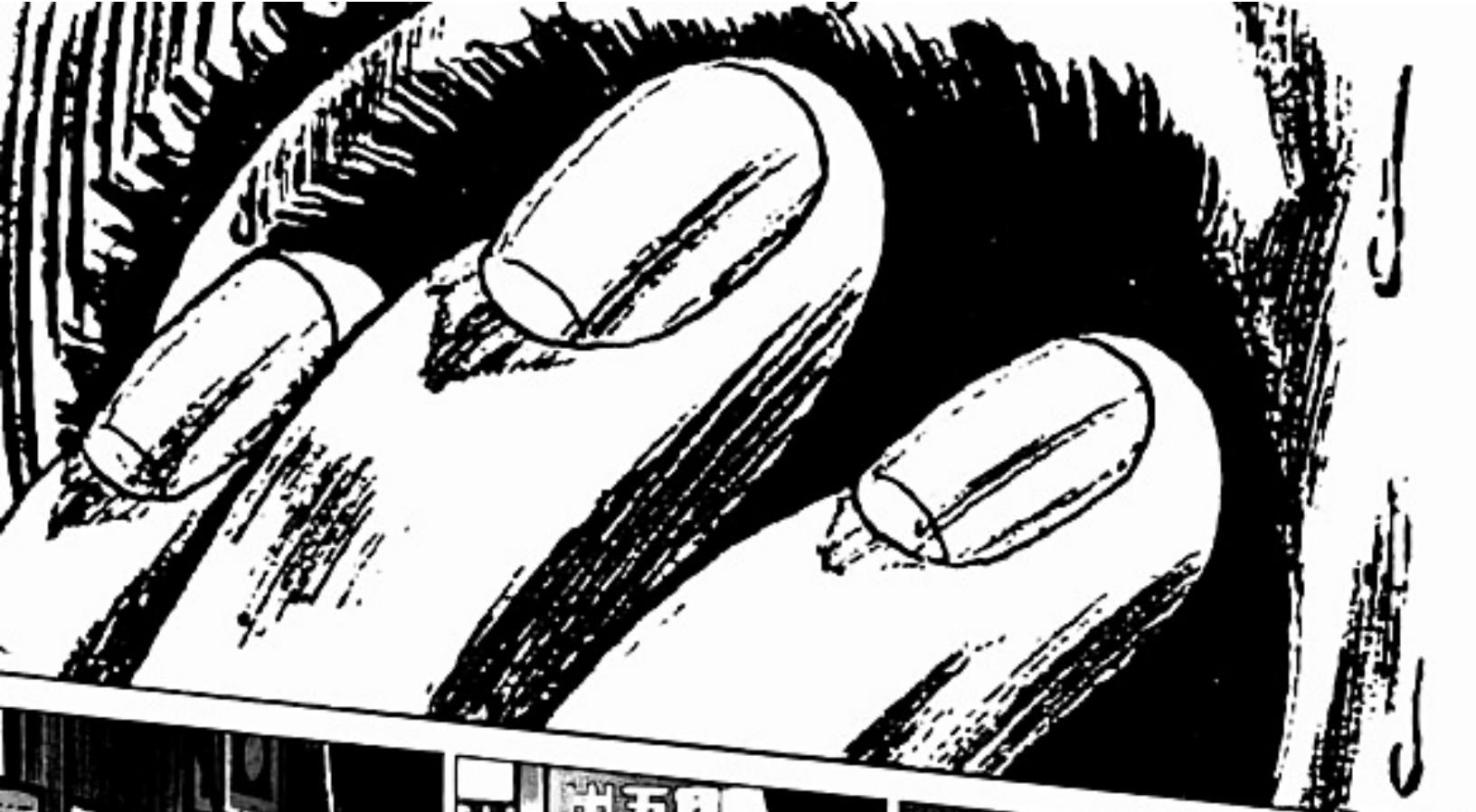
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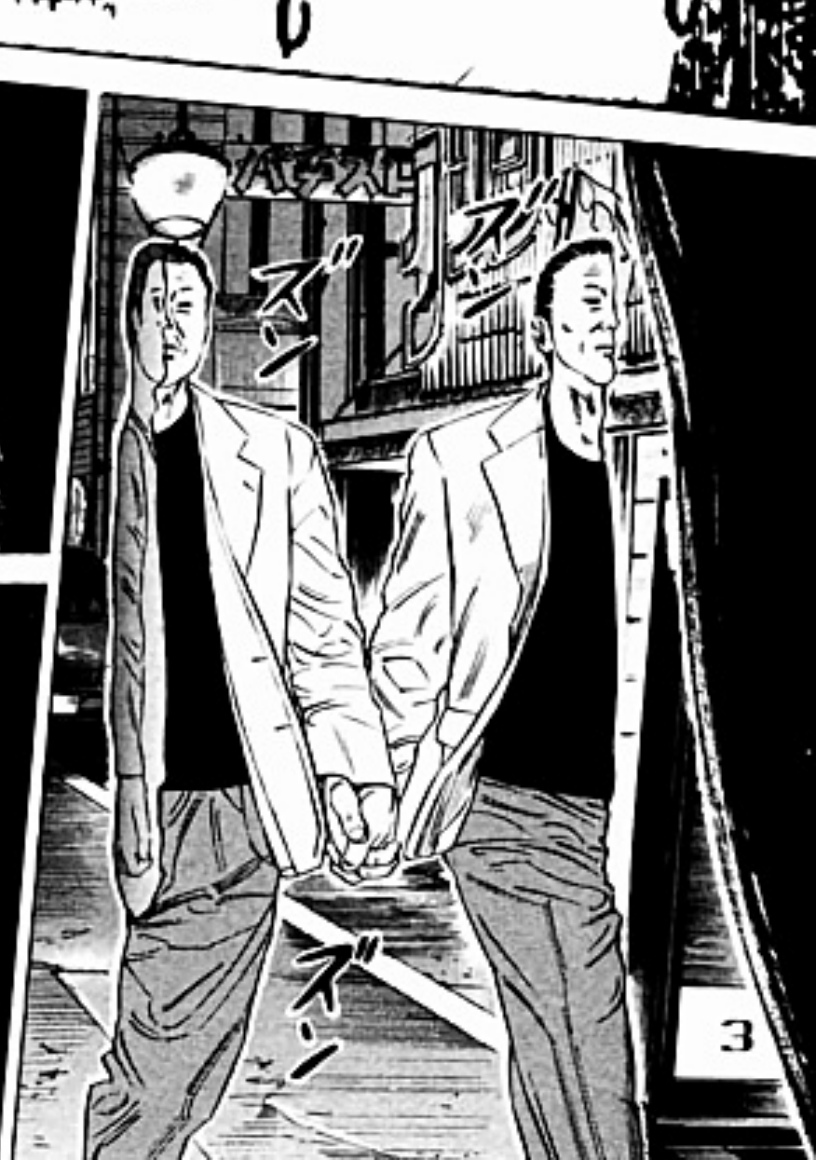
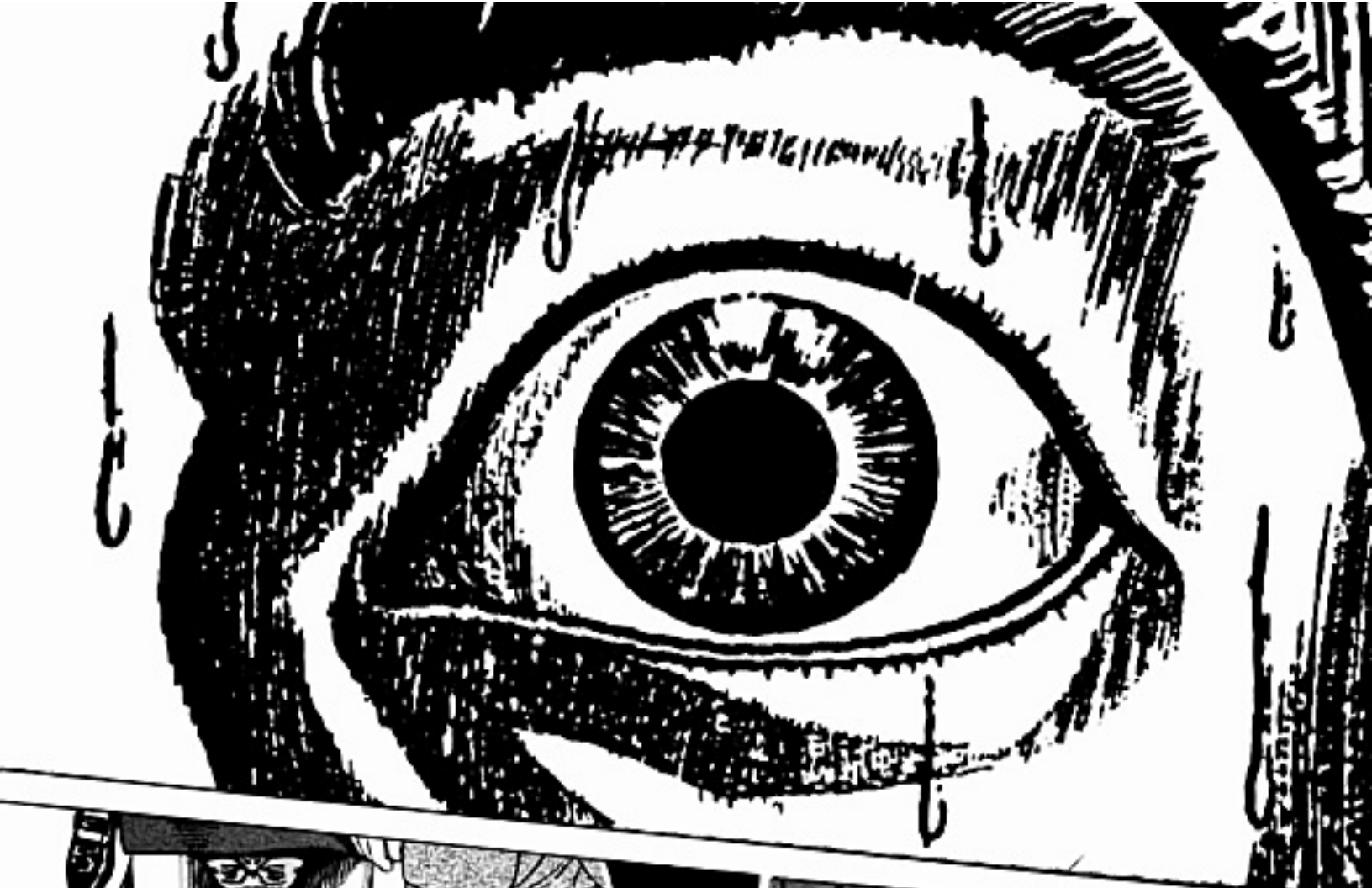
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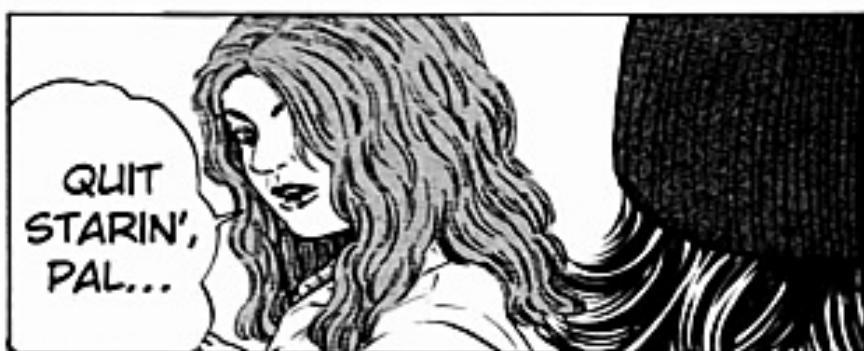
















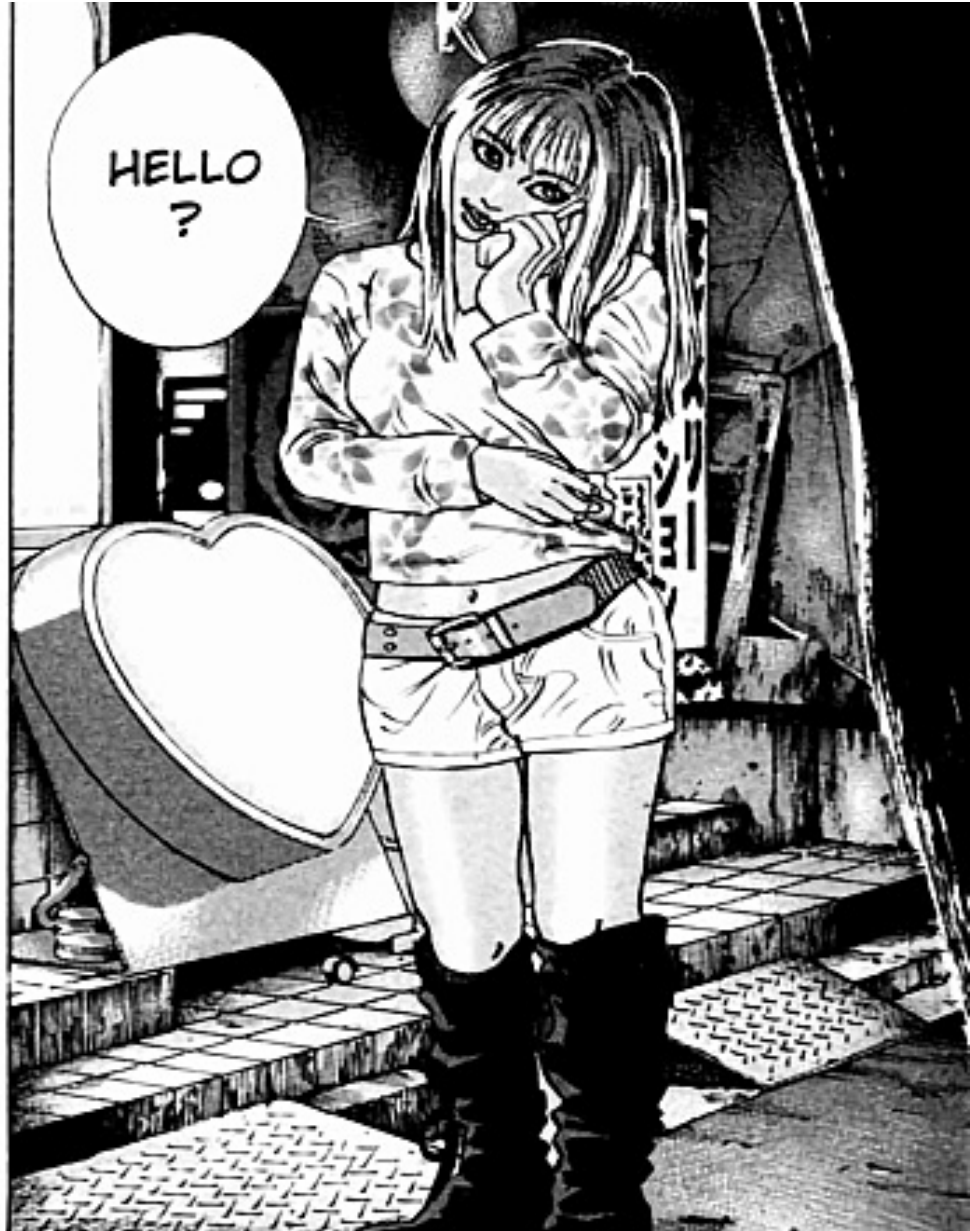


HELLO ?

IS SHE NORMAL ...?



OHH, TAKASHI !  
♡



HUH ...



NO WAY! THANKS ♡!

I WAS JUST THINKING OF CALLING YOU!



YOINK





DEFINITELY  
NOT  
NORMAL  
...

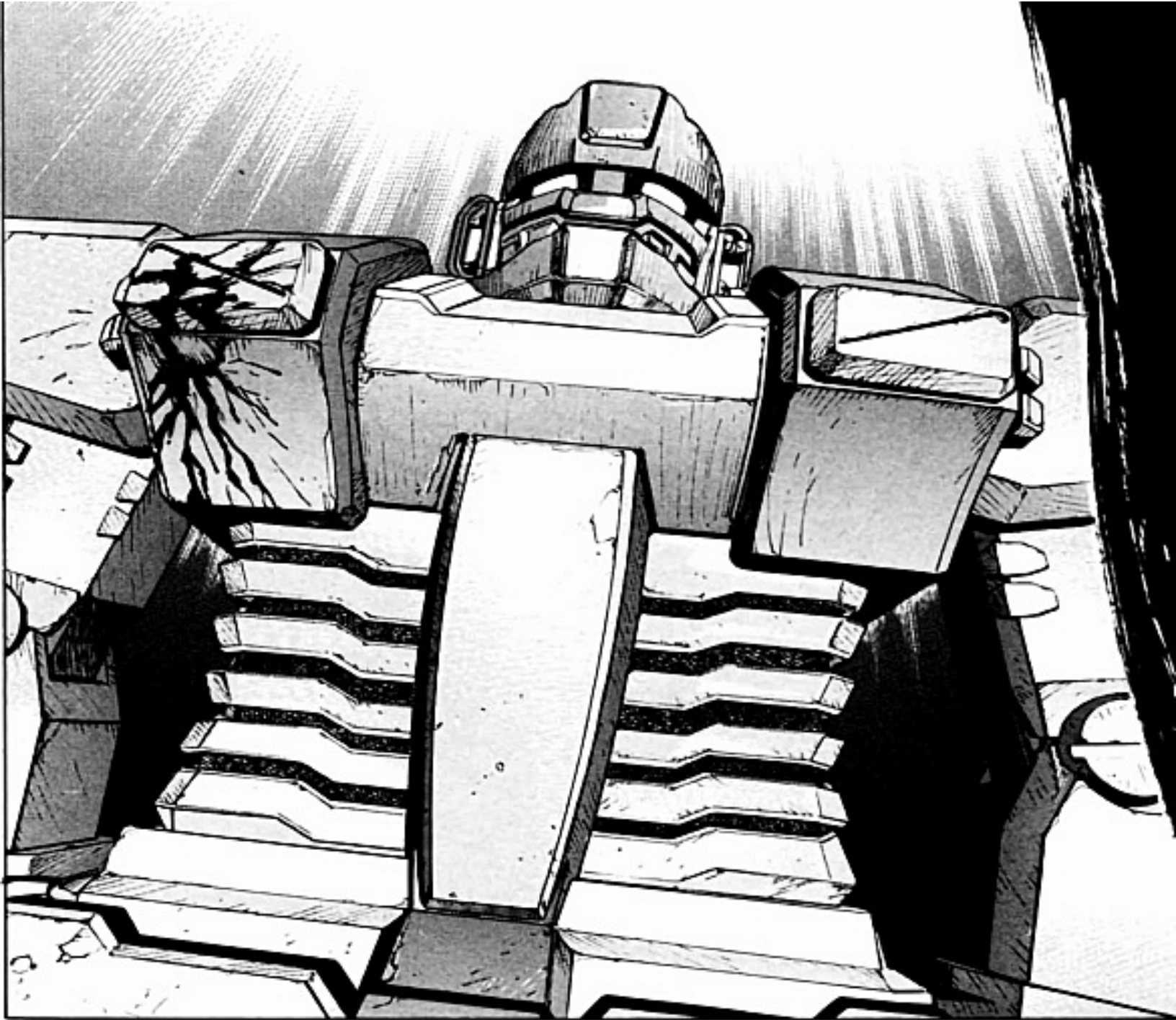


SPLASH

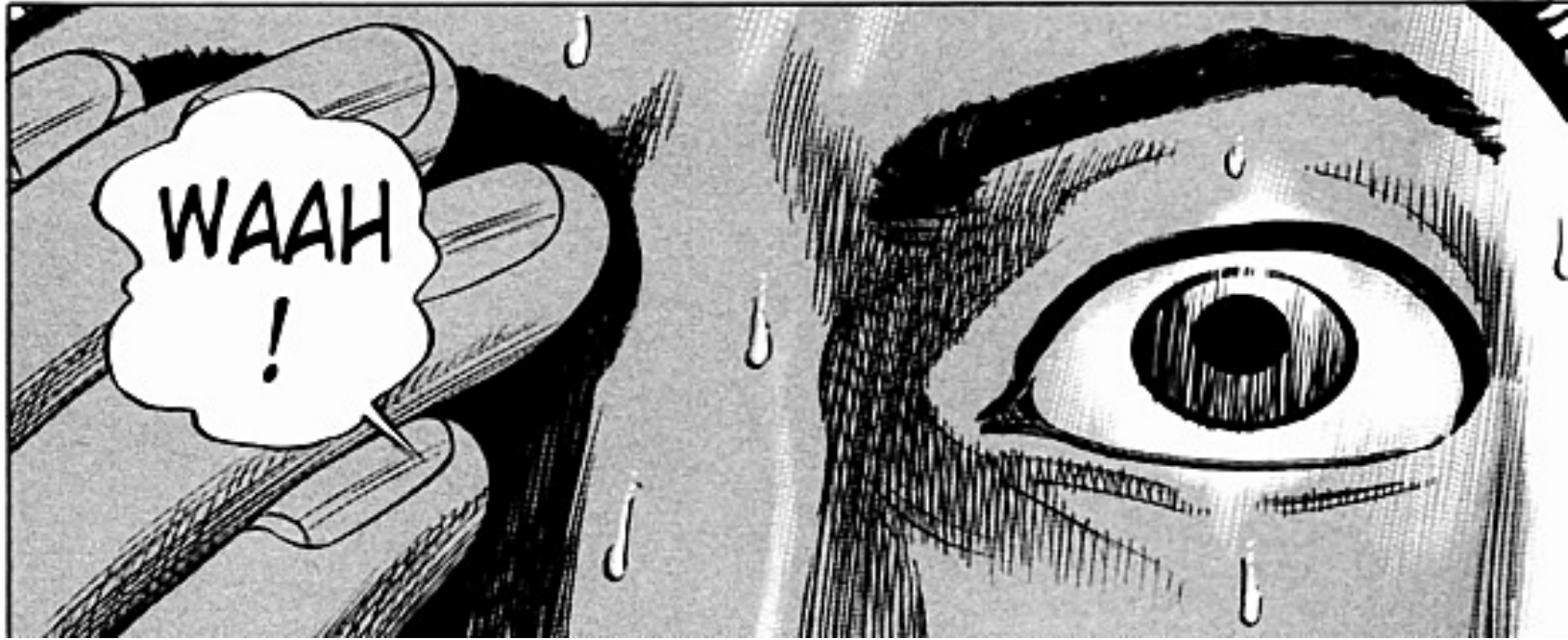


AH,  
SORRY  
...





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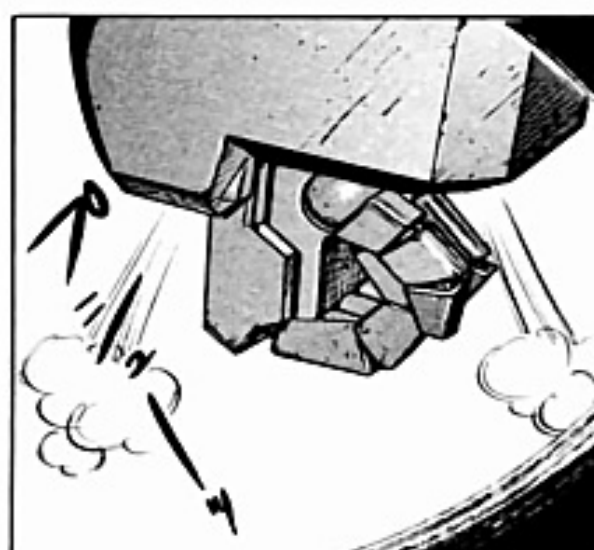
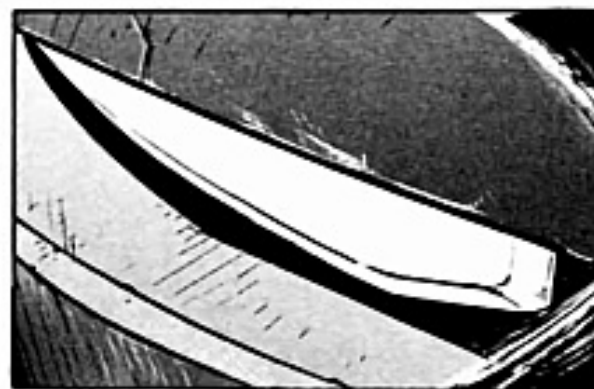
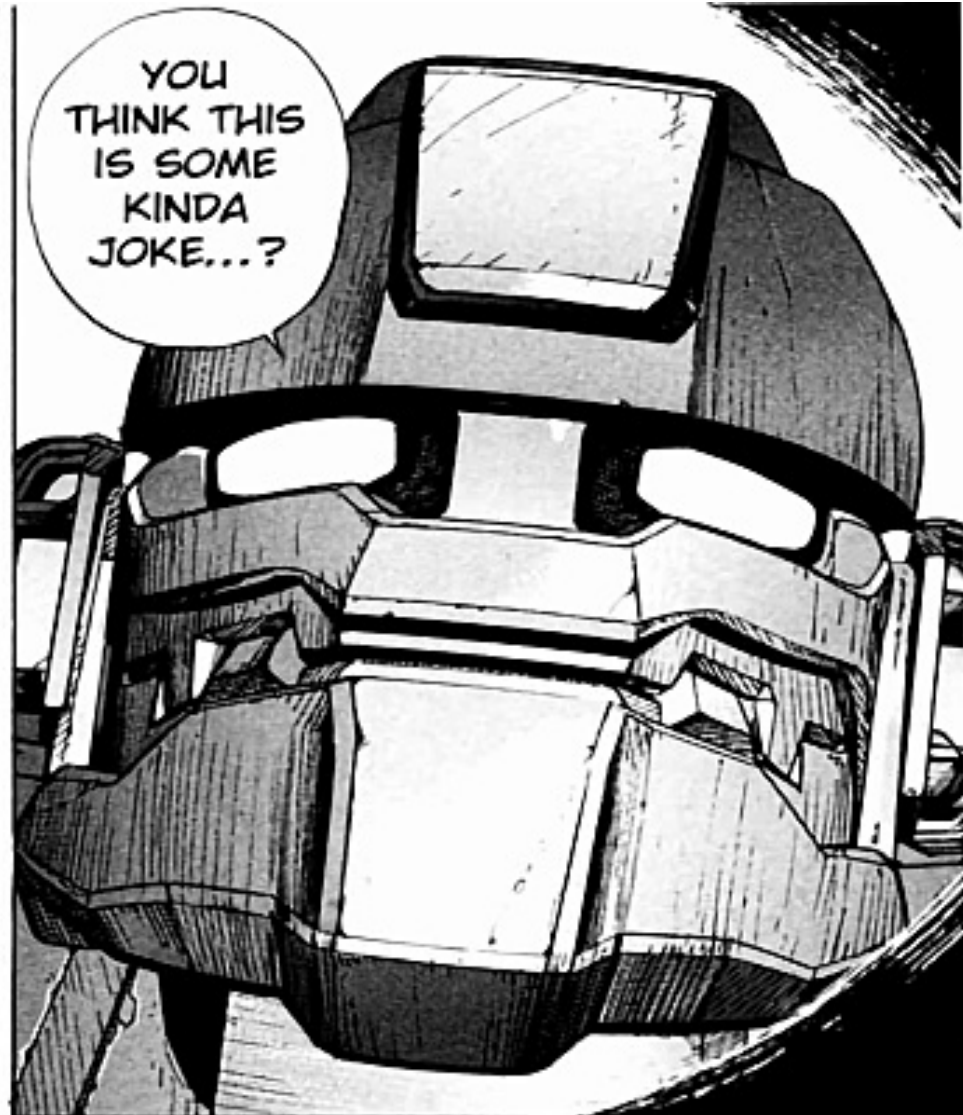












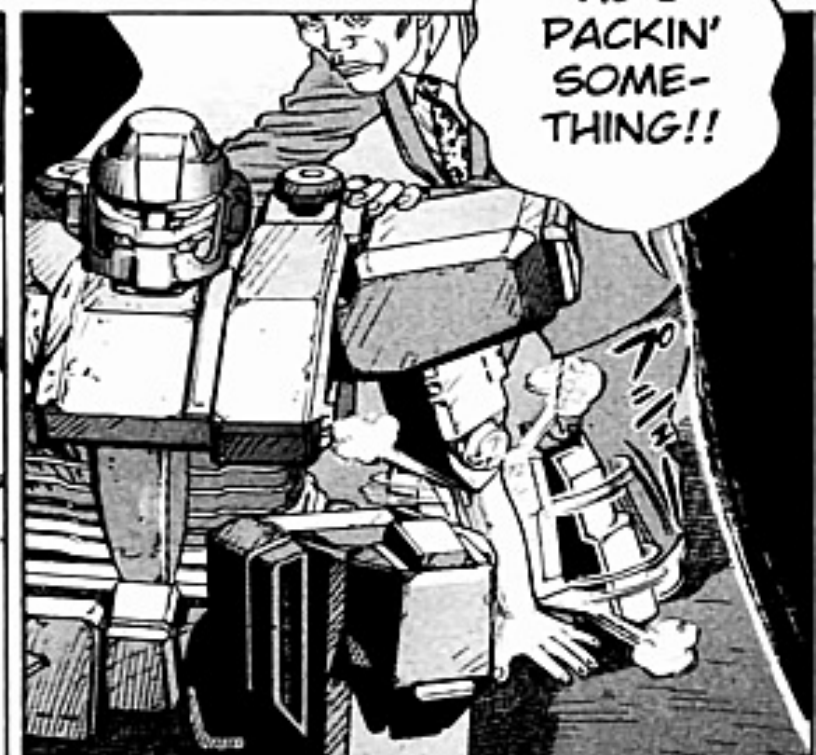






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GIMME  
YOUR  
KNIFE.



BOSS  
...



YESSIR  
...

UH,

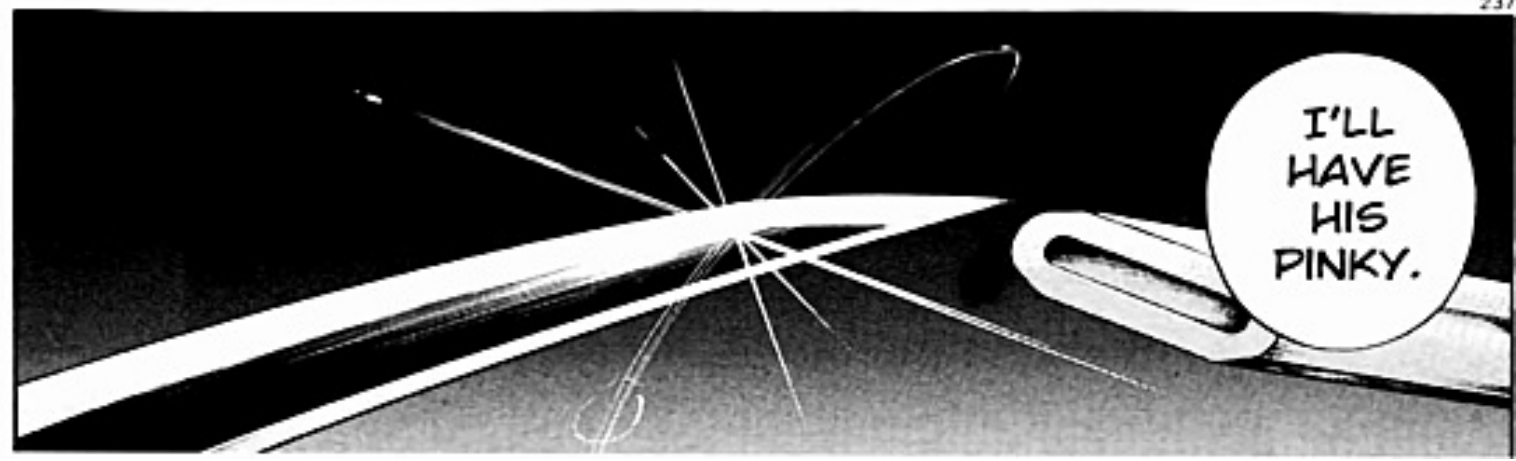


I  
DON'T  
CARE.



THIS  
MIGHT  
BE A BIT  
TOO  
MUCH...

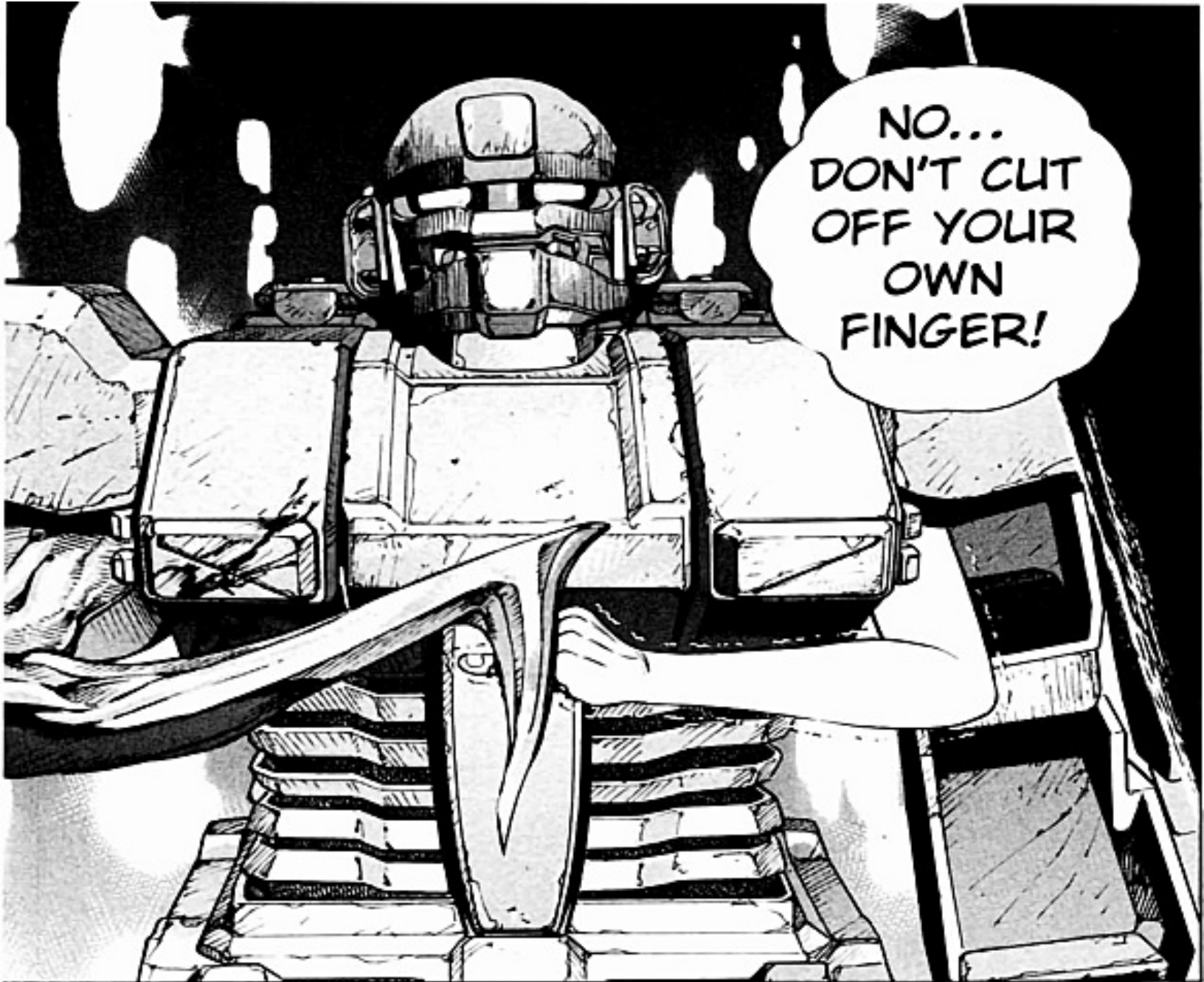
BOSS  
...



I'LL  
HAVE  
HIS  
PINKY.



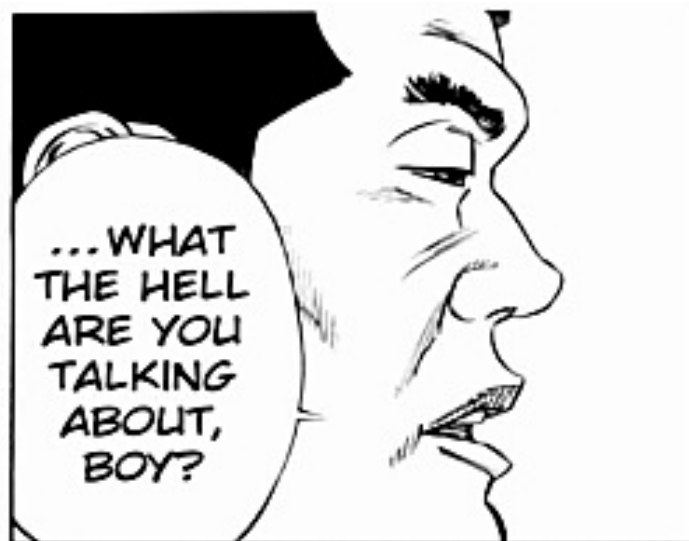




NO...  
DON'T CUT  
OFF YOUR  
OWN  
FINGER!



HALT

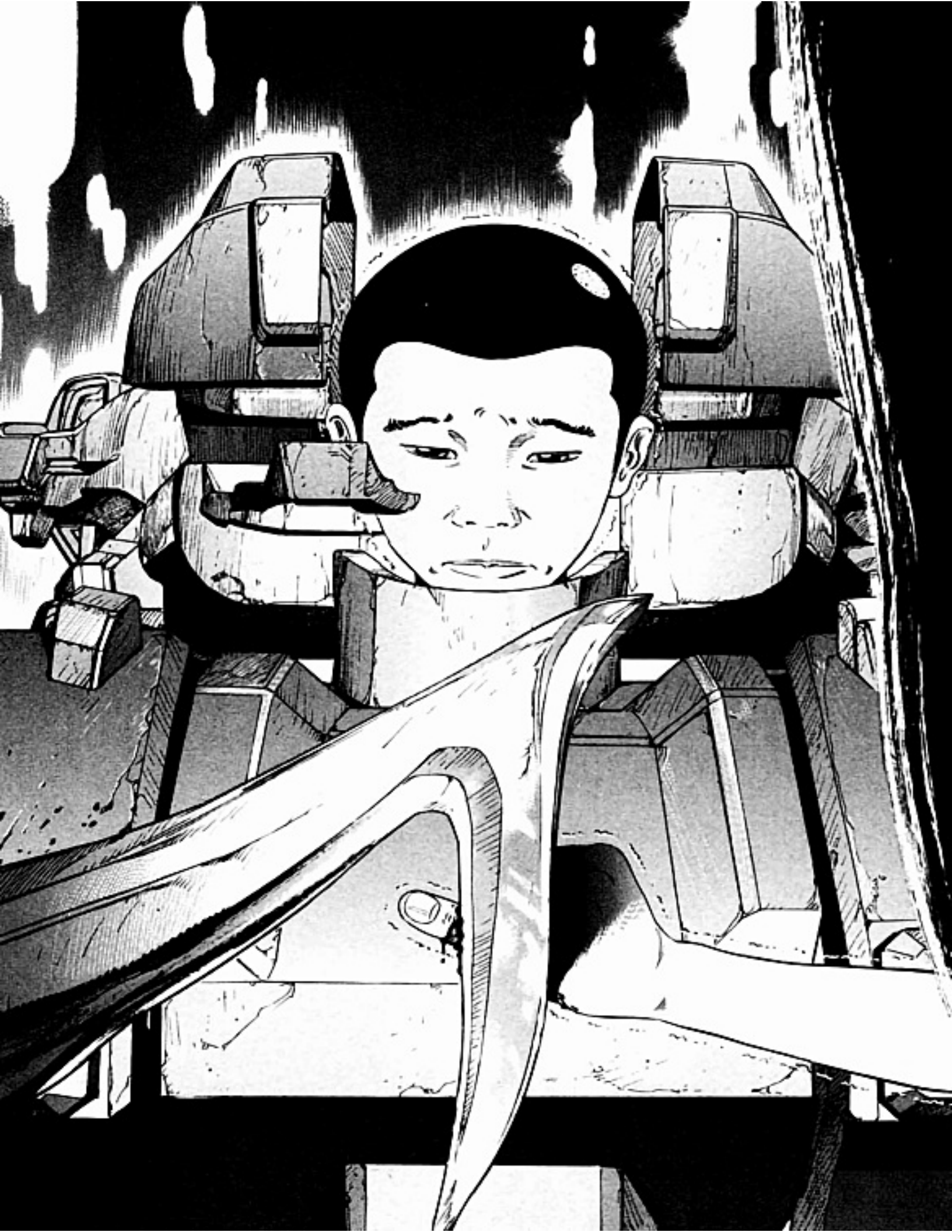


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YOU'RE A  
DEAD  
MAN.



THAT'S  
RIGHT  
...



PEOPLE  
ARE  
WATCHING  
...

BOSS,  
NOT  
HERE,  
PLEASE.

B...

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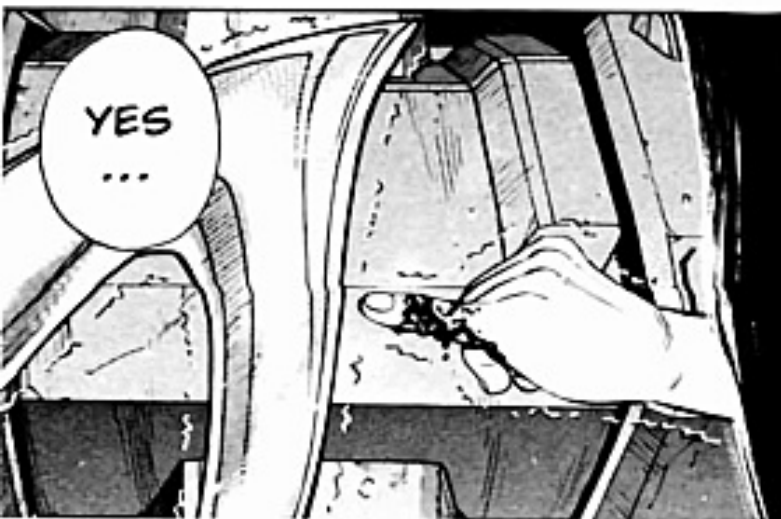
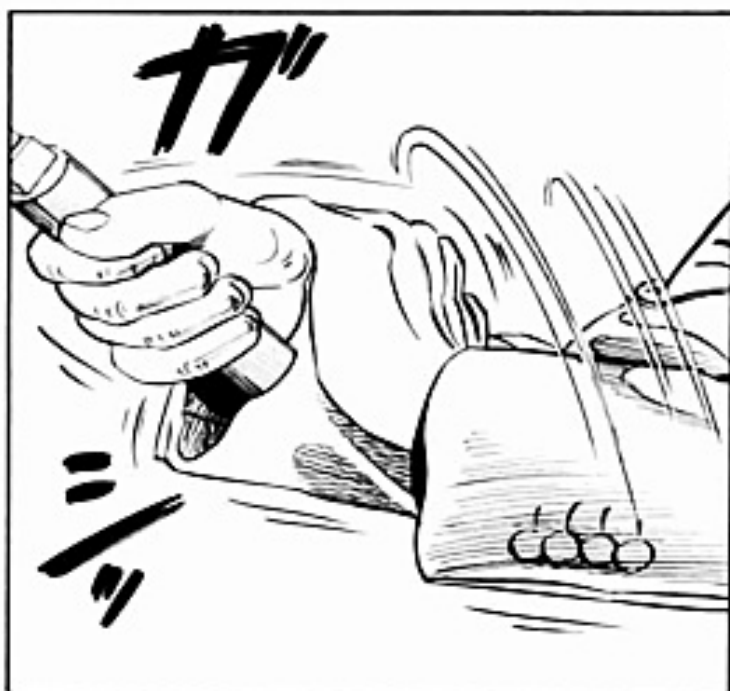


SICKLE  
...?



PUT DOWN  
THAT  
SICKLE  
THING...





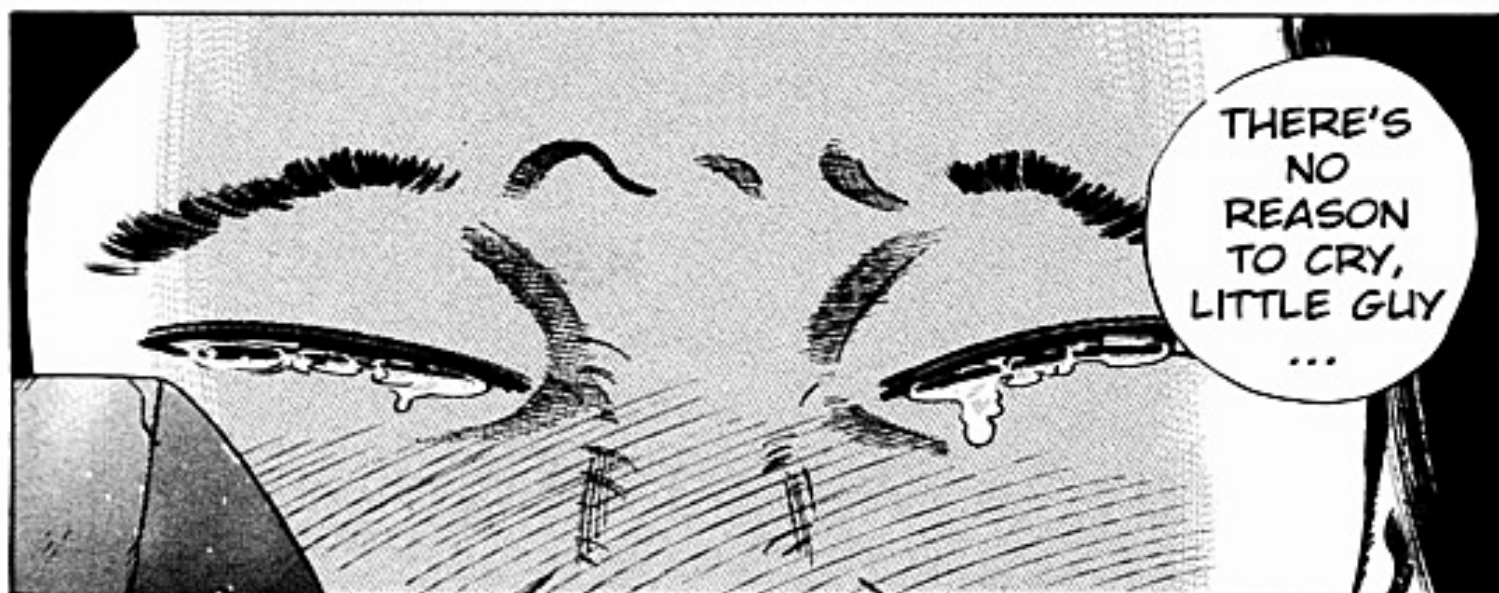


DON'T  
HURT  
YOURSELF  
ANYMORE.

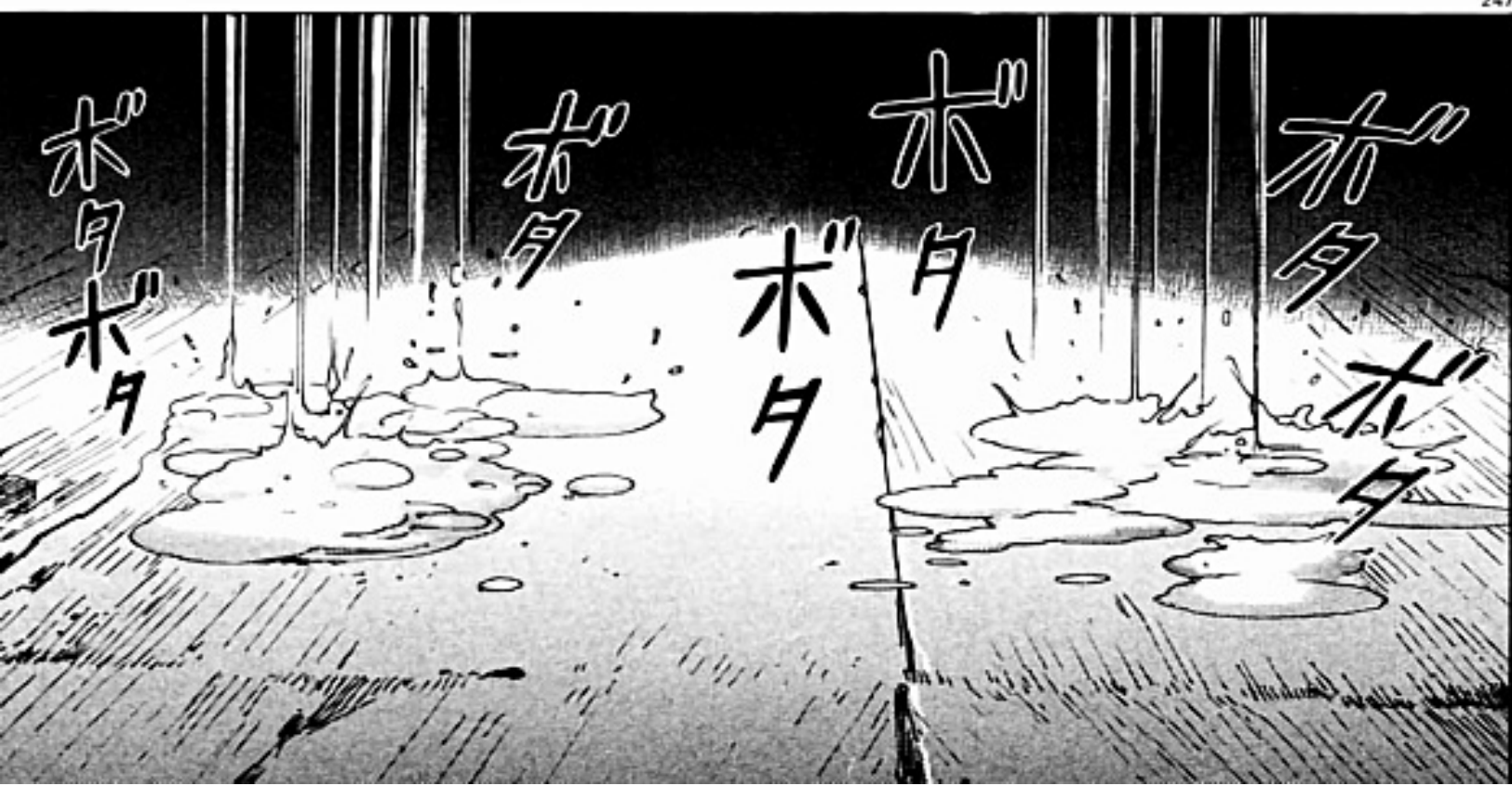




HEY,  
WHOA.



THERE'S  
NO  
REASON  
TO CRY,  
LITTLE GUY  
...







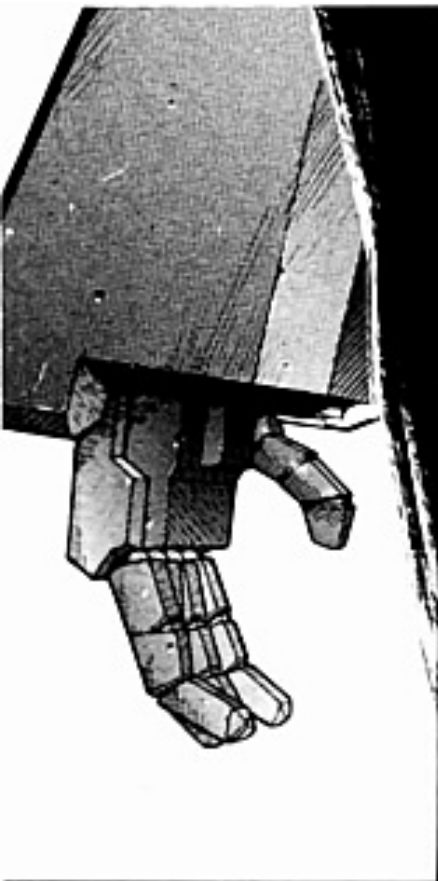
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WHAT  
THE HELL  
HAPPENED  
...?

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