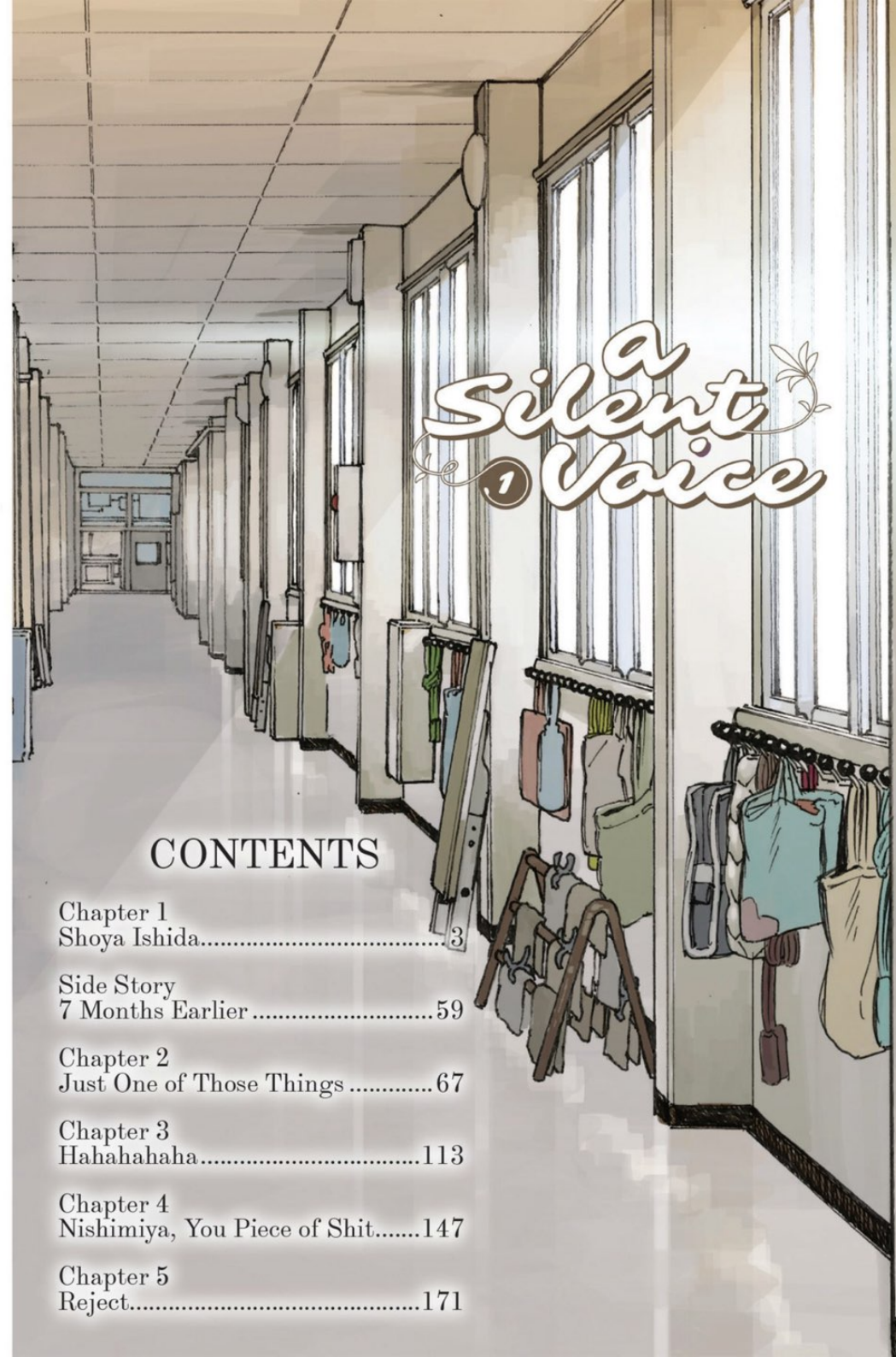


a Silent Voice

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yoshitoki oima

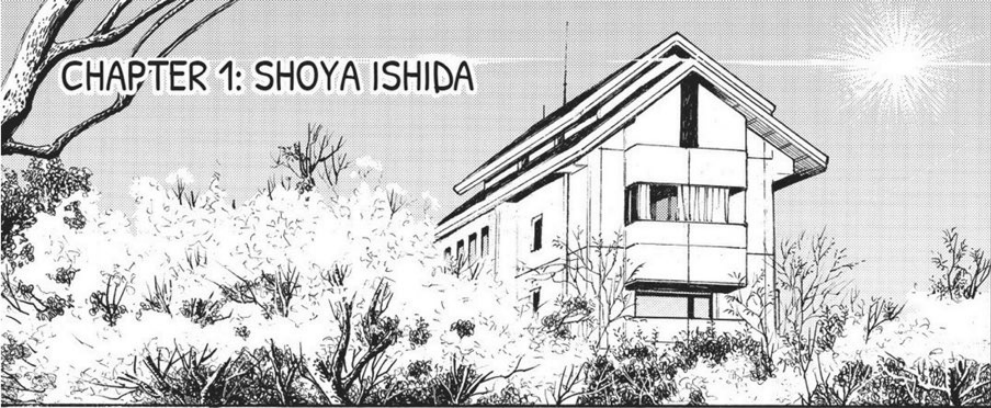




**THIS IS
SHOKO
NISHI-
MIYA.**

**I HATED
HER.**

CHAPTER 1: SHOYA ISHIDA



a Silent Voice







WOO-HOO!



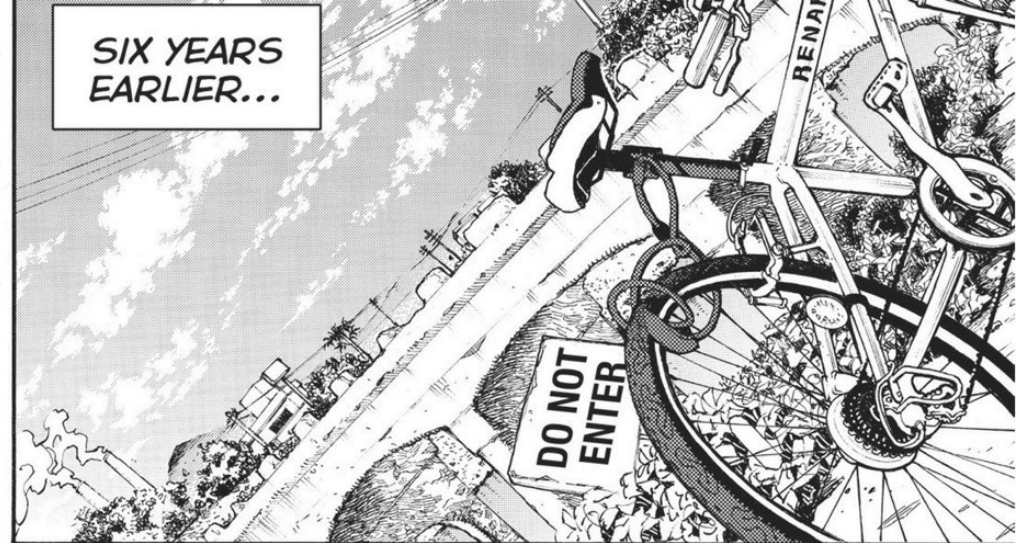
HE'S GONNA KILL HIMSELF ONE OF THESE DAYS...

WHOA, HE REALLY DID IT.

SPLASH!



YOU WON'T KNOW WHETHER IT HURTS UNTIL YOU TAKE THE PLUNGE!!



SIX YEARS EARLIER...



DON'T YOU RUN!!



IT'S GONNA HURT IF WE JUMP FROM THIS HIGH.



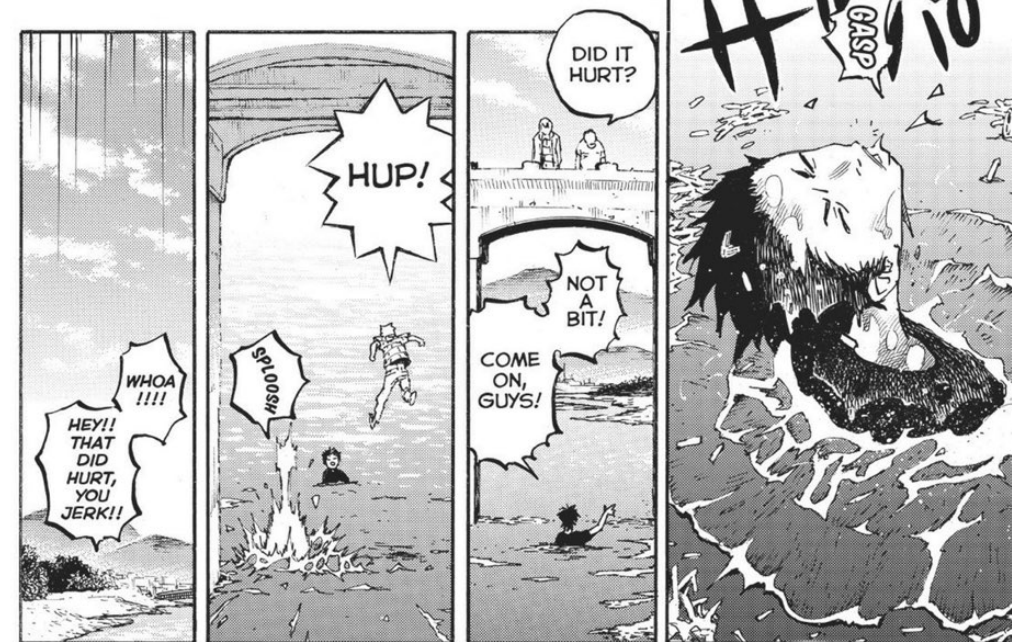
UNCLE! UNCLE!



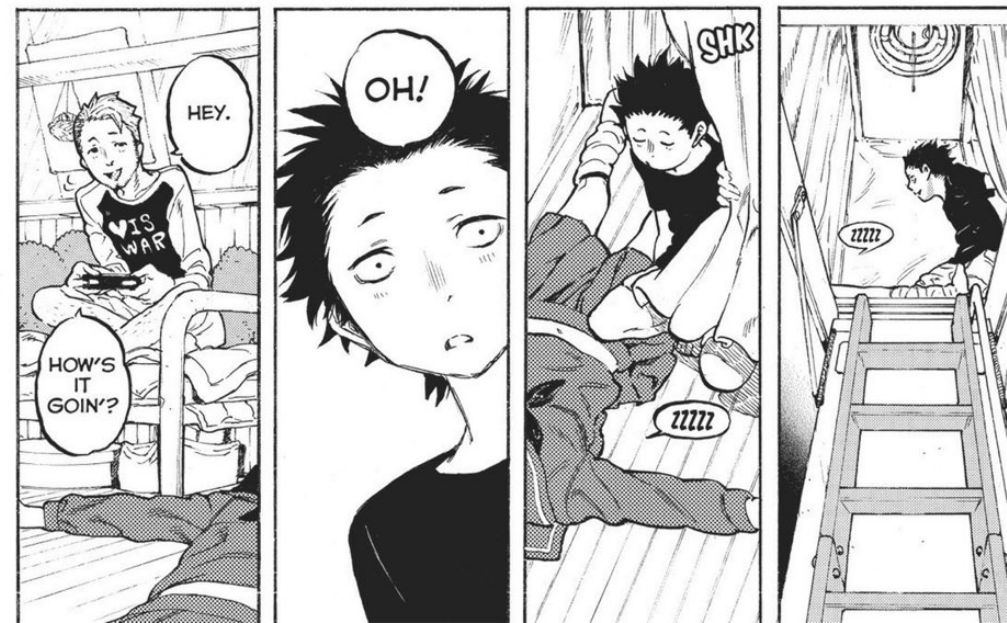
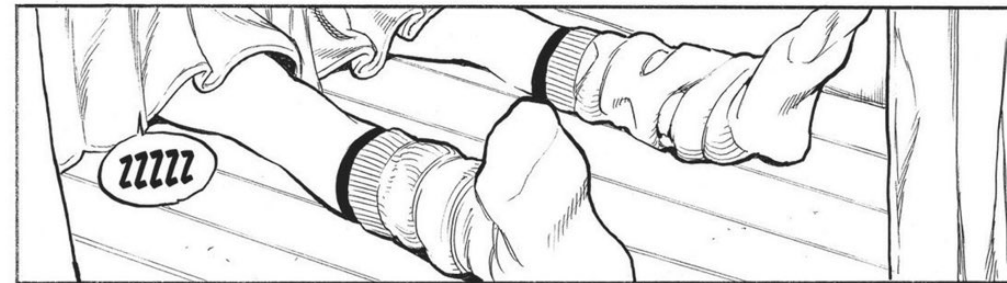
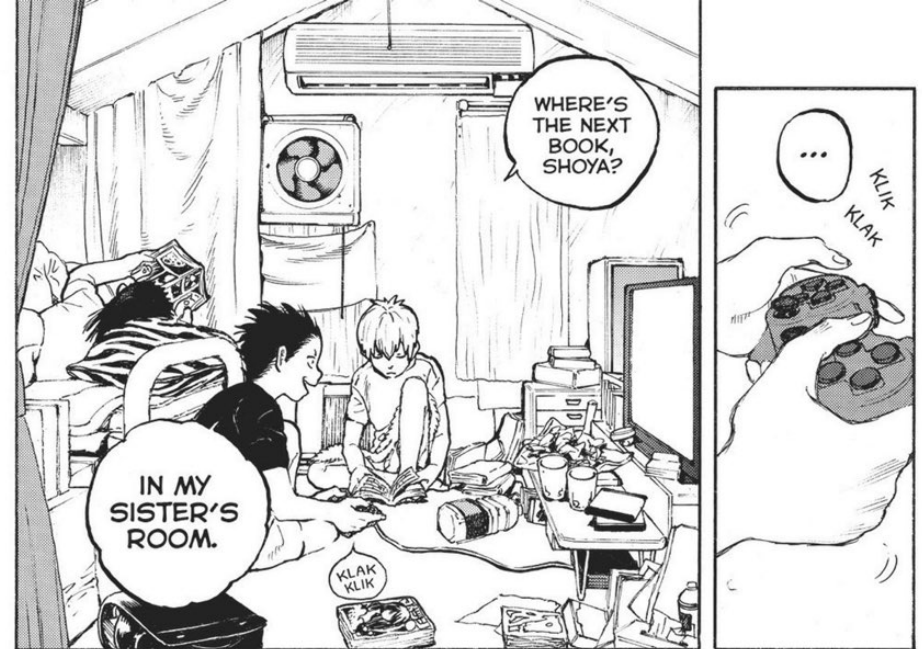
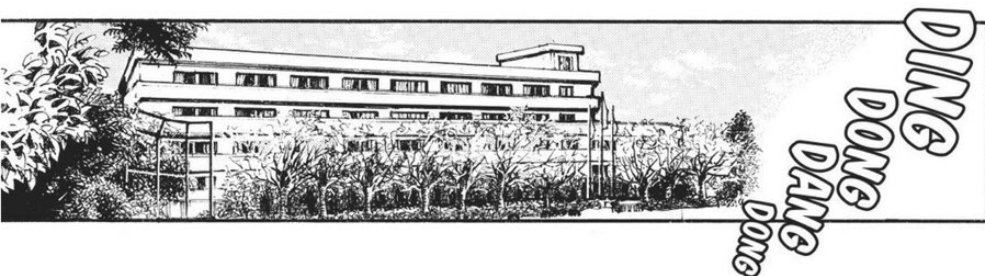
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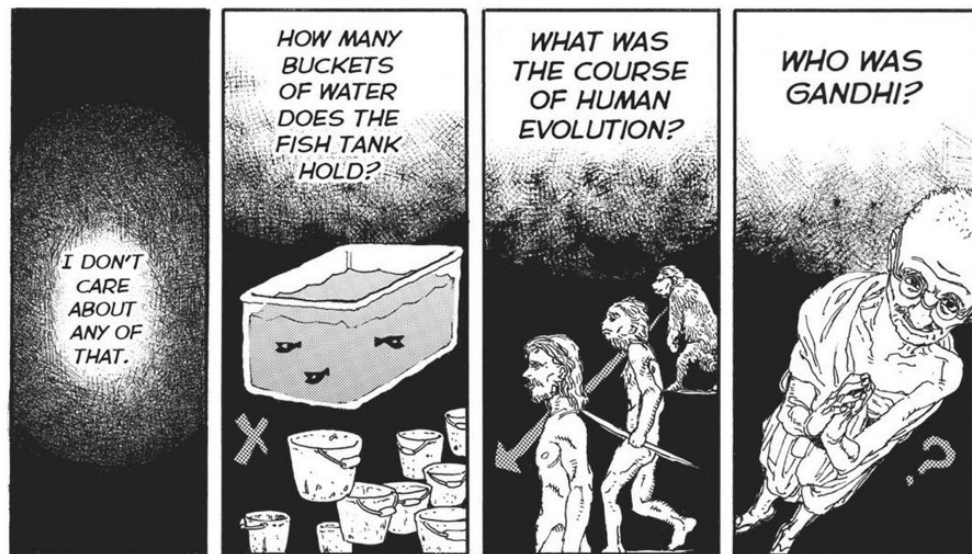
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT!

THEN YOU JUMP FIRST, SHOYA.









HOW MANY BUCKETS OF WATER DOES THE FISH TANK HOLD?

WHAT WAS THE COURSE OF HUMAN EVOLUTION?

WHO WAS GANDHI?

WHAT I WANT TO KNOW MOST IS HOW TO AVOID BOREDOM.



LET US NOW BEGIN THE 42ND DAILY DAREDEVIL CONTEST!!

SO EVERY DAY, I WIN SMALL VICTORIES IN MY WAR AGAINST IT.



NO WAY! GIRLS'RE BORING!

I HOPE IT'S A GIRL. DON'T YOU, SHOYA?

I HEARD MR. TAKEUCHI TALKING ABOUT IT IN THE FACULTY OFFICE!

FOR REAL ?!!



NONE OF THE CRAP THEY TEACH US HERE INTERESTS ME...

I HATE BOREDOM, TOO.

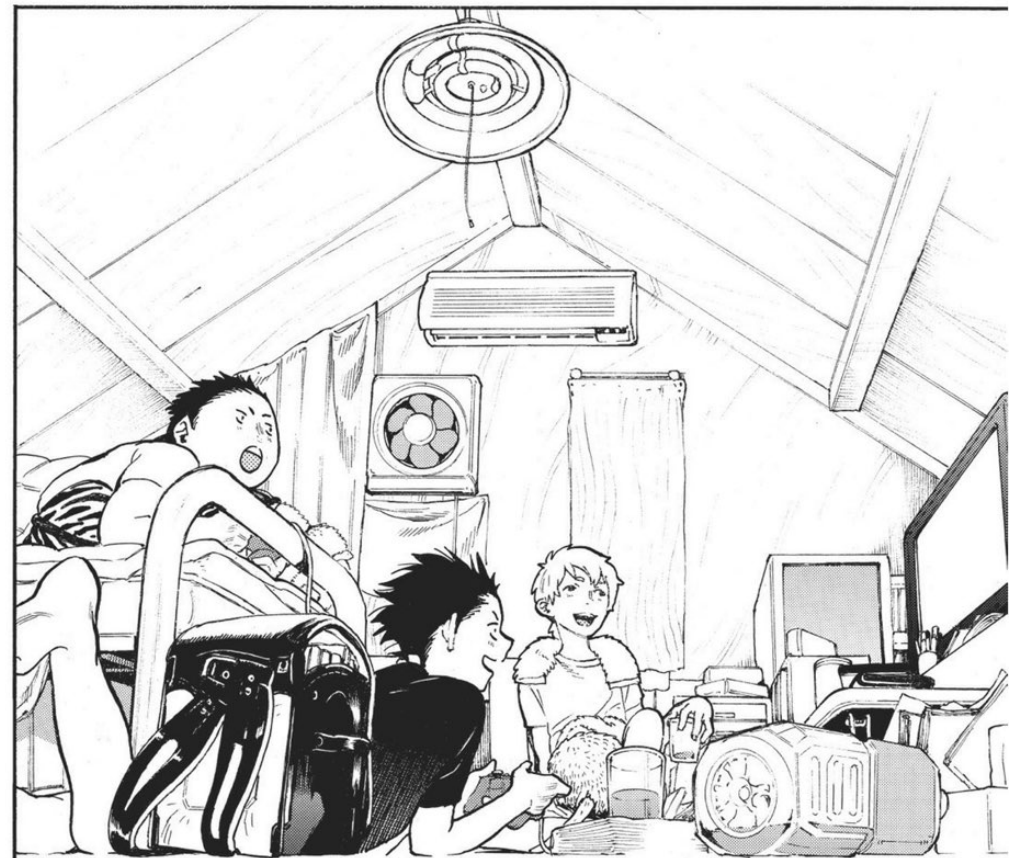
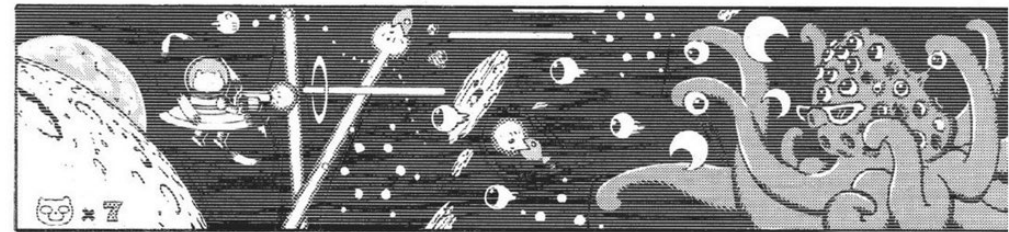
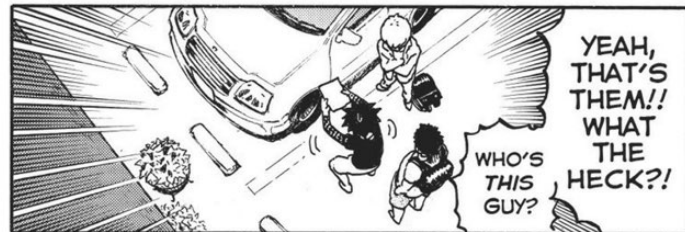
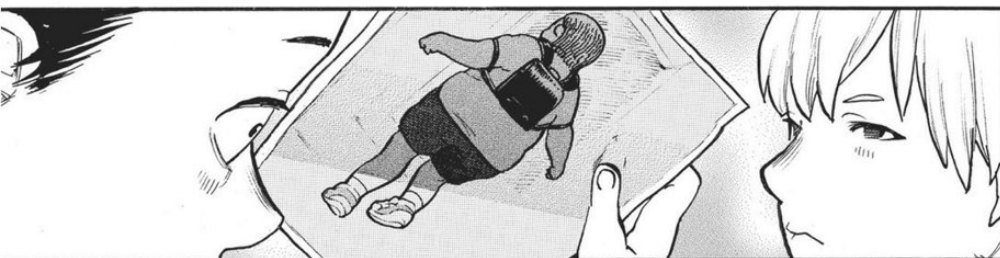


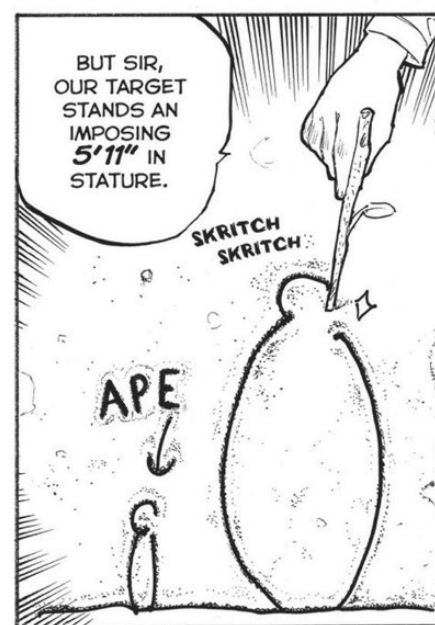
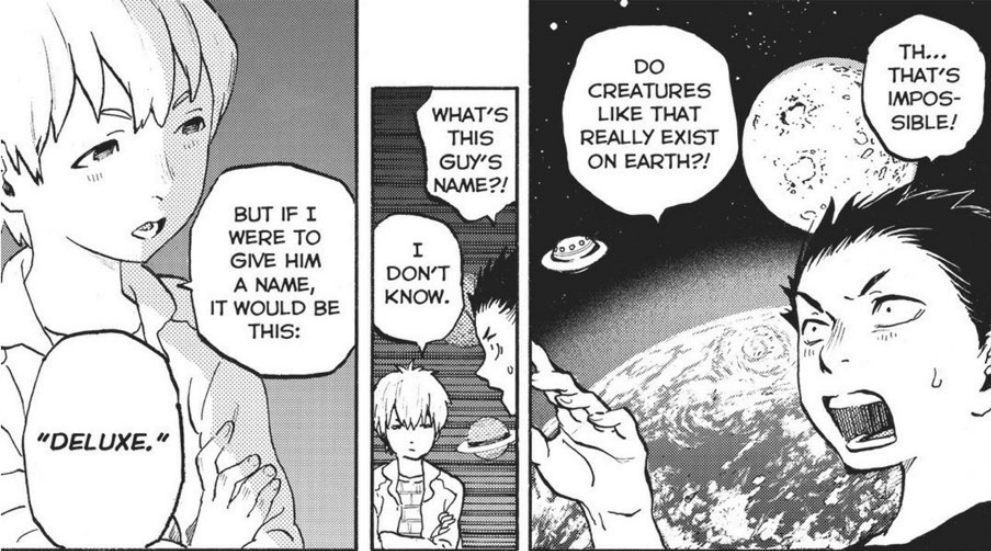


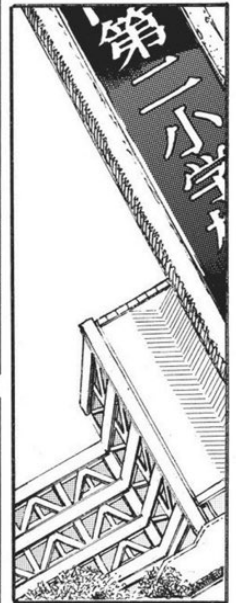
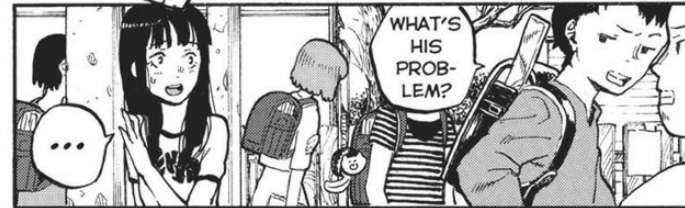


*BOOK: "HAIR CATALOG MEN'S / LADIES"











I'LL GIVE
'EM BACK?

WHAT IF
I SAID...



SH...

GH!

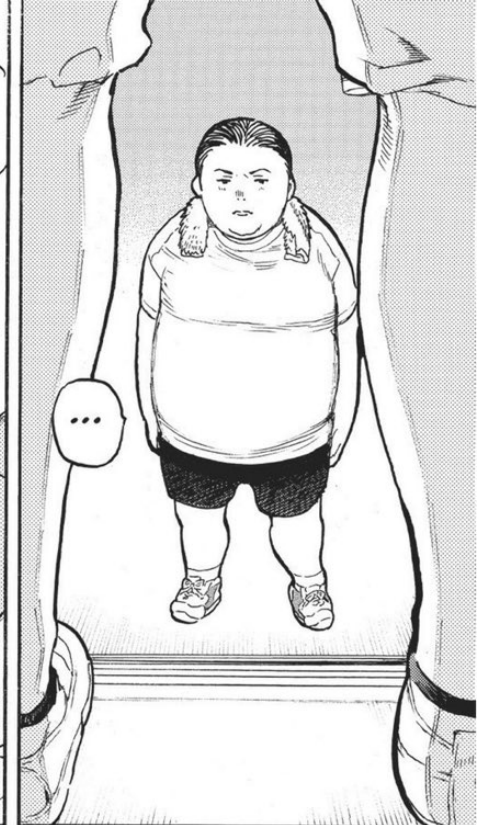


...



YOU KNOW YO.
WHY I
CALLED
YOU HERE,
DON'T YOU?

WE NEED
TO TALK
ABOUT
THOSE
SHOES
YOU'RE
WEARING.



...



?!



HEH!

FMP



...MY
SHOES?

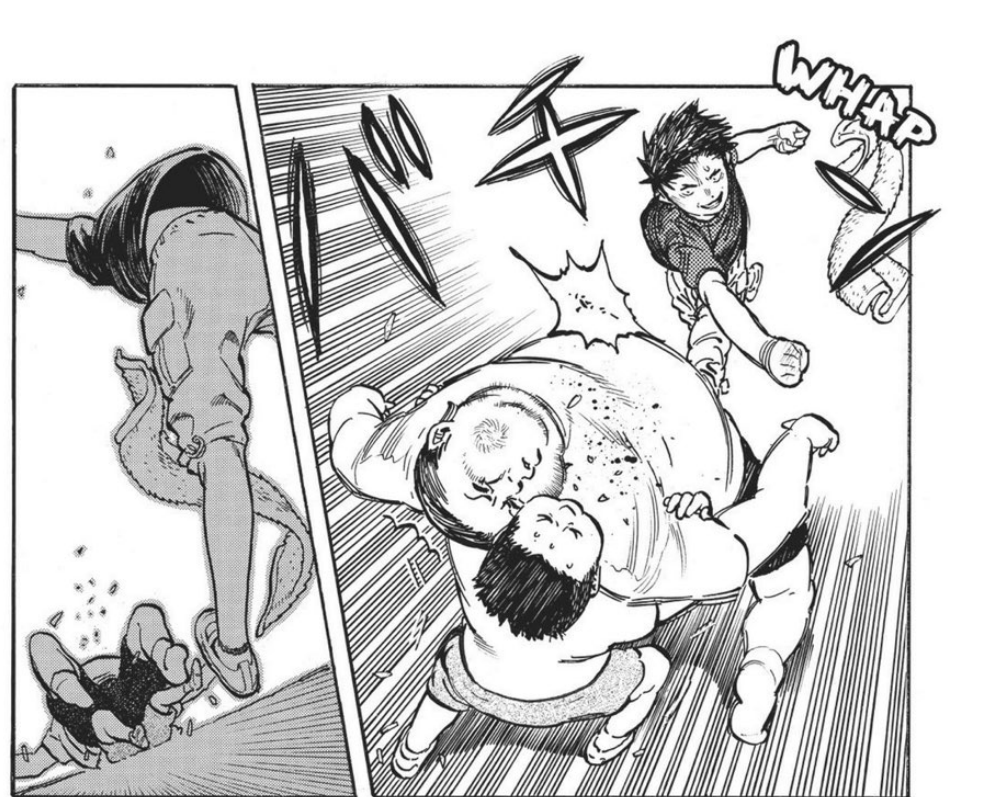
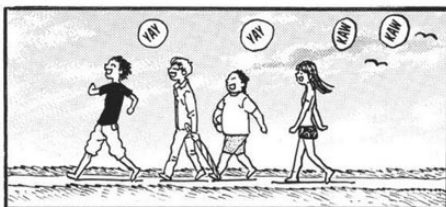
WHAT
ABOUT
...

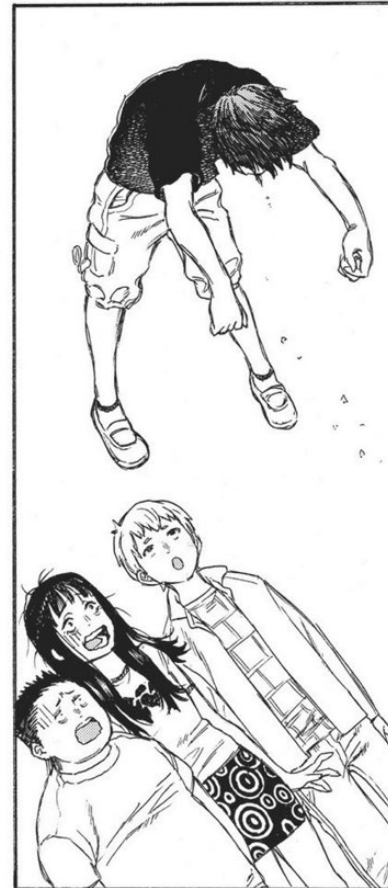


DON'T PLAY
DUMB. YOU
KNOW WHAT
HAPPENS WHEN
YOU STEAL
PEOPLE'S
STUFF, DON'T
YOU?



SHUT
UP!







YOU JUST
DON'T GET
IT! BEIN' HIT
BY SOMEBODY
OLDER THAN
YOU GETS
YOU SERIOUS
CRED!!

DON'T BE
SILLY!



Grow Hair with!
Shampoo for Men



RIGHT,
GUYS?!

YEAH.



A DAY LIKE
THIS IS WHAT
I CALL A
RESOUNDING
VICTORY
AGAINST
BOREDOM!



HE'S A
LOT MORE
DELICATE
THAN YOU
THINK.

HE'S
REALLY
HURT!



...IS GENKI'S
LITTLE
BROTHER?

SO THAT
GUY...

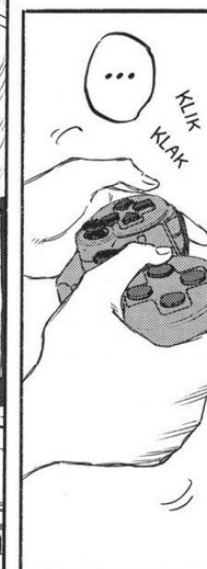
...IS FRIGGIN'
HILARIOUS...

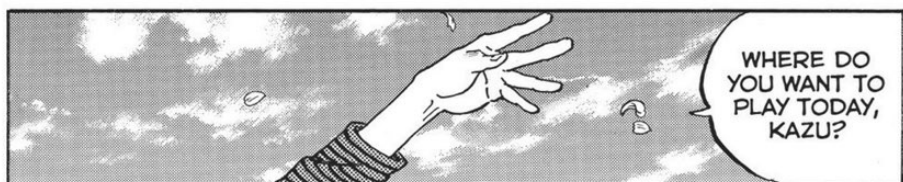
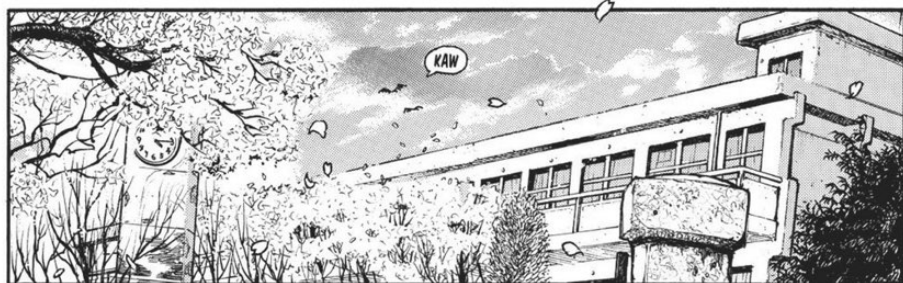
THAT...



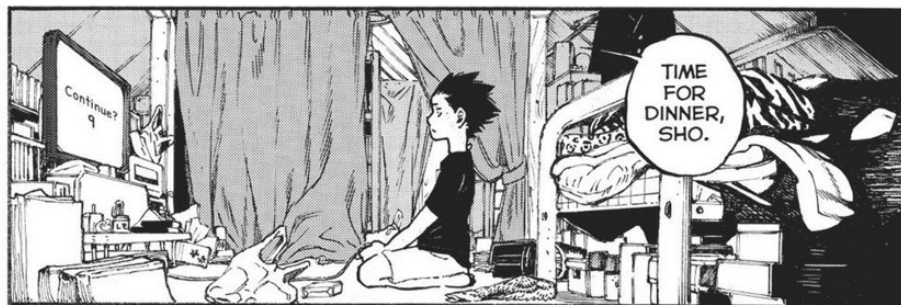
IT'S CLEARLY
CAUSING
NOTHING BUT
TROUBLE!

JEEZ,
WHY DON'T
YOU STOP
THIS SILLY
DAREDEVIL
NONSENSE?





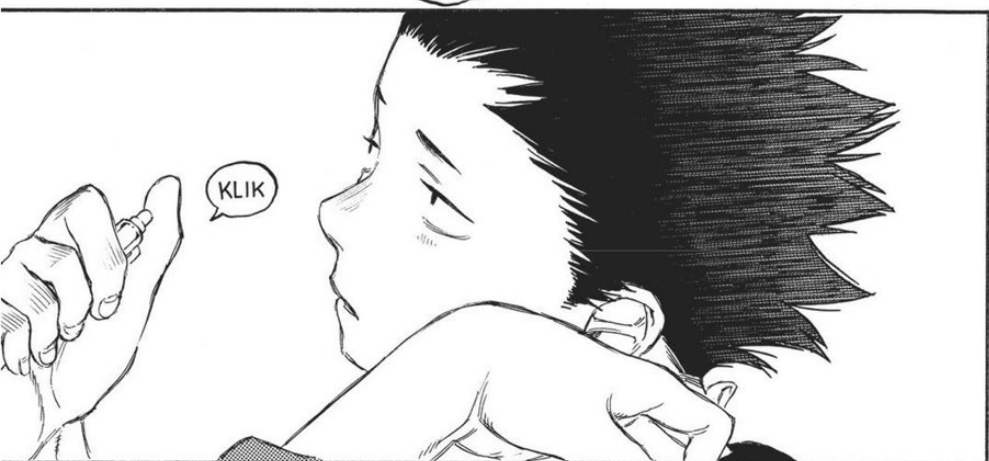
GAME OVER

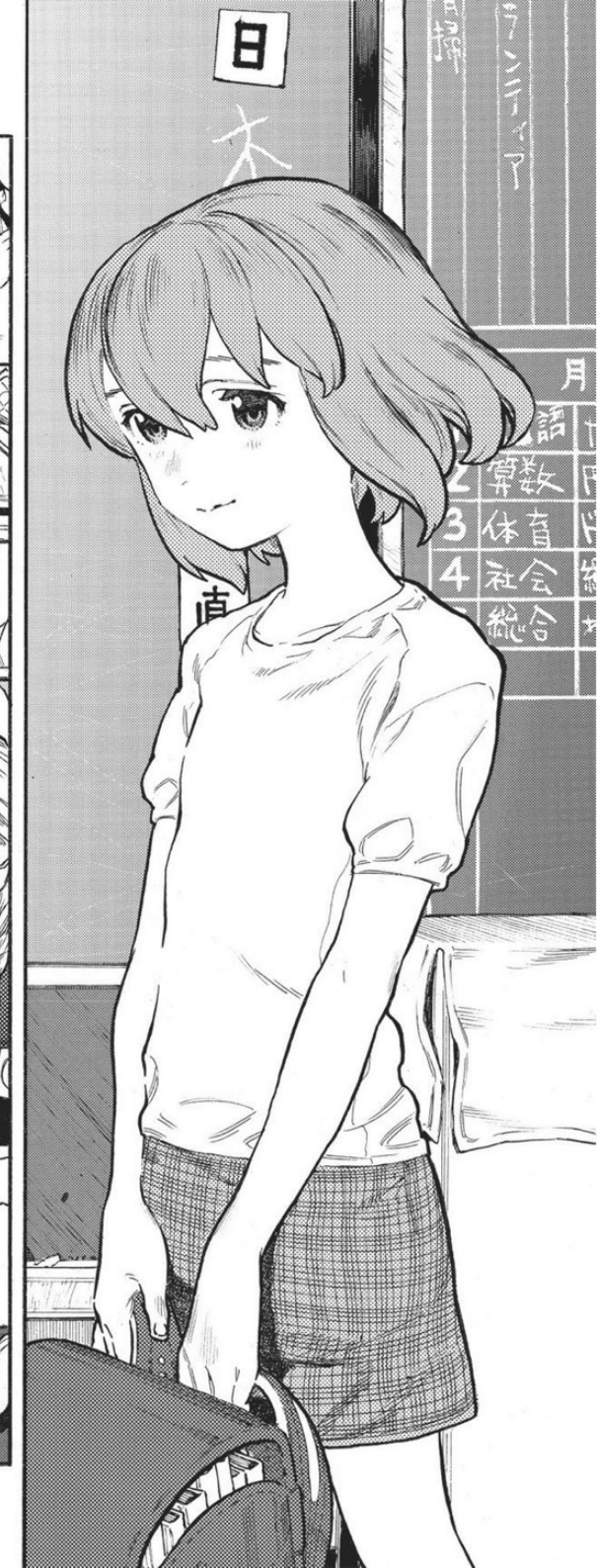


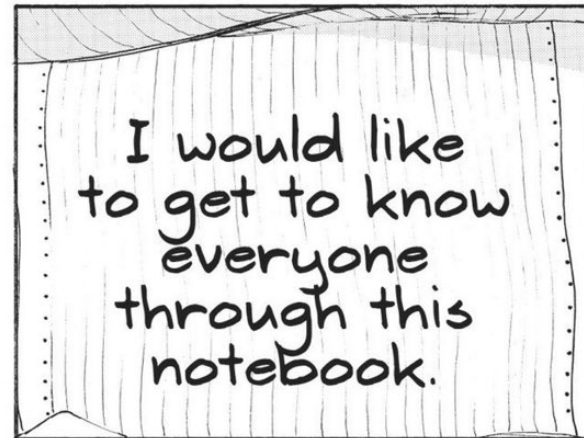
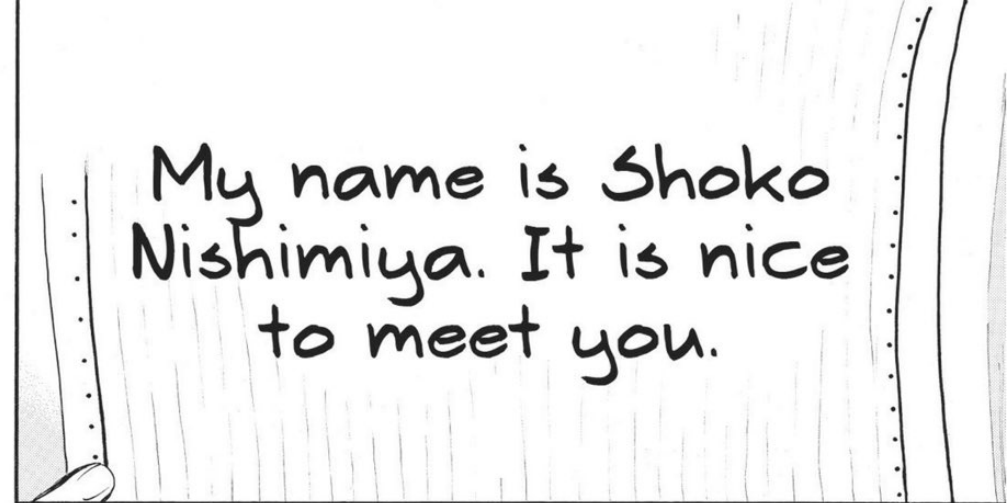


YOU'RE
GOING TO
HAVE A NEW
FRIEND IN
CLASS,
STARTING
TODAY.

LISTEN
UP,
EVERYONE.











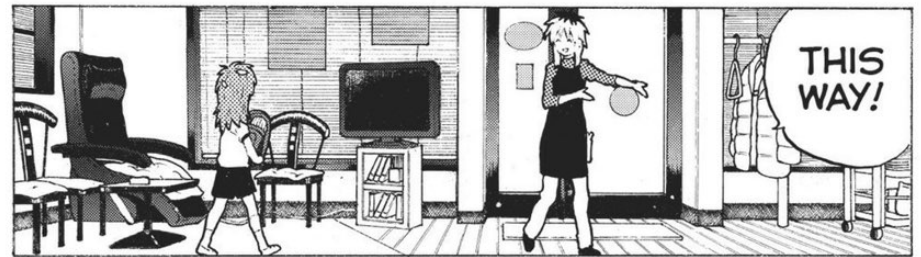
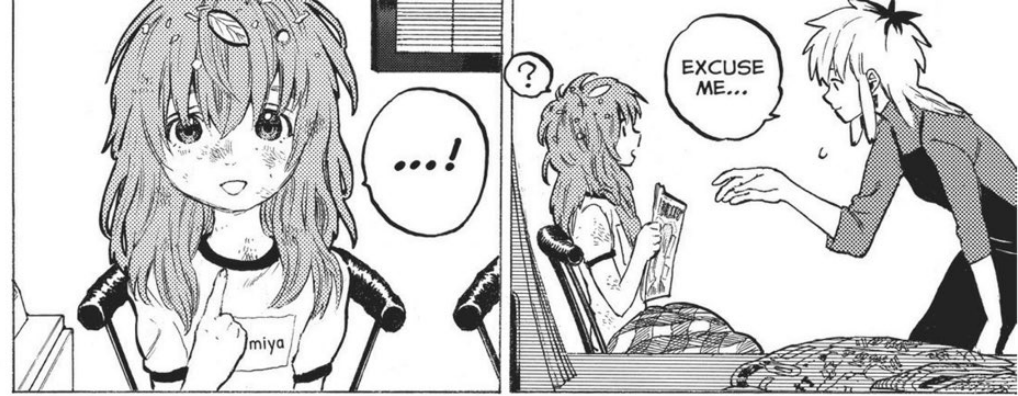
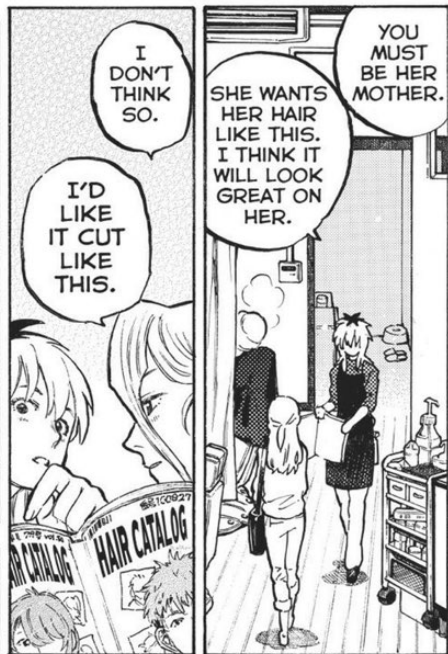
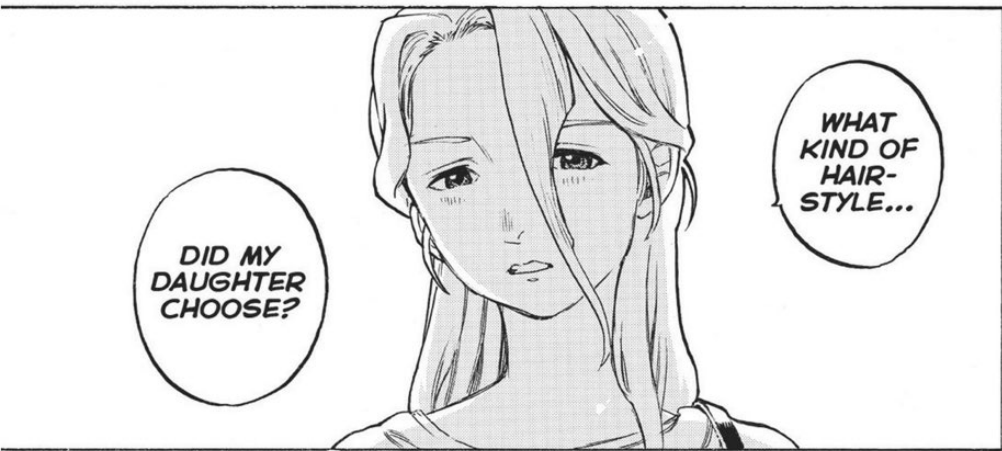
SIDE STORY: 7 MONTHS EARLIER

SORRY
ABOUT THE
WAIT. NOW IF
YOU'LL COME
ON BACK...

...IF
YOU'LL
COME
WITH
ME...?

...?









WHAT'S
IMPORTANT IS
KEEPING MY
DAUGHTER
FROM BEING
BULLIED!!

I DIDN'T
ASK FOR
YOUR
OPINION!!
OR
SHOKO'S!!

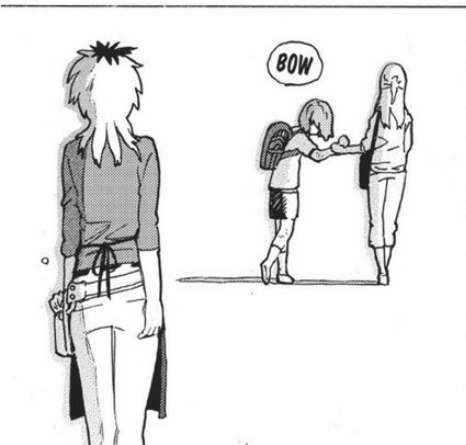


I'M
VERY
SORRY,
MA'AM!

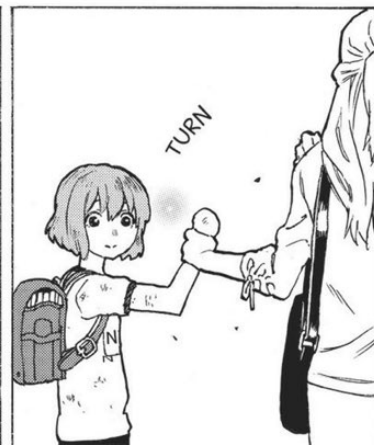


I WON'T
BE
COMING
HERE
AGAIN!

I DON'T KNOW
HOW YOU STAY
IN BUSINESS
WHEN YOU
DON'T LISTEN
TO YOUR
CUSTOMERS!



BOW



TURN



WHAT
DO YOU
THINK,
MA'AM?



IS THERE
SOMETHING
WRONG WITH
YOUR
HEARING?



BUT SHE'S
THE ONE
WHO HAS
TO LIVE
WITH IT...

WELL,
I'M THE
ONE
PAYING.



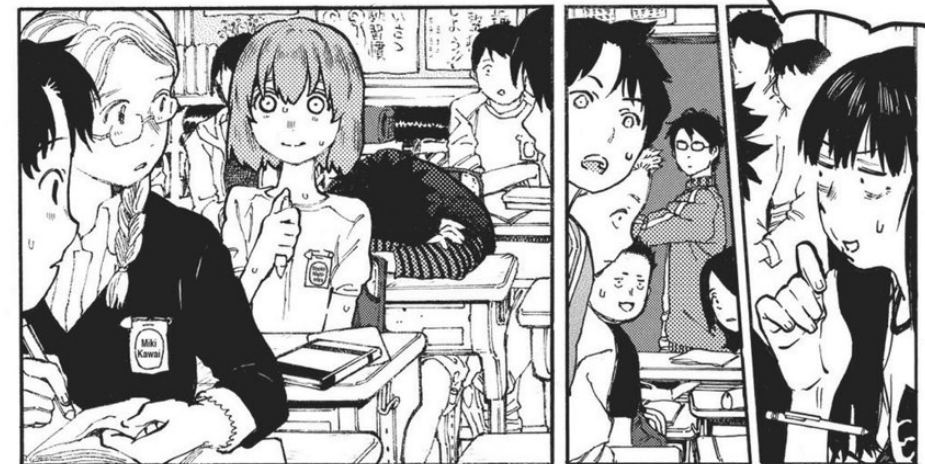
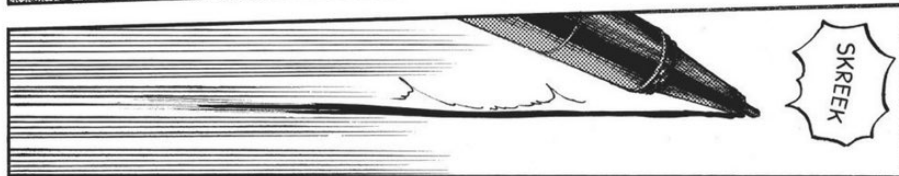
THIS IS
WHAT SHE
WANTED...

I'M
SORRY,
BUT...



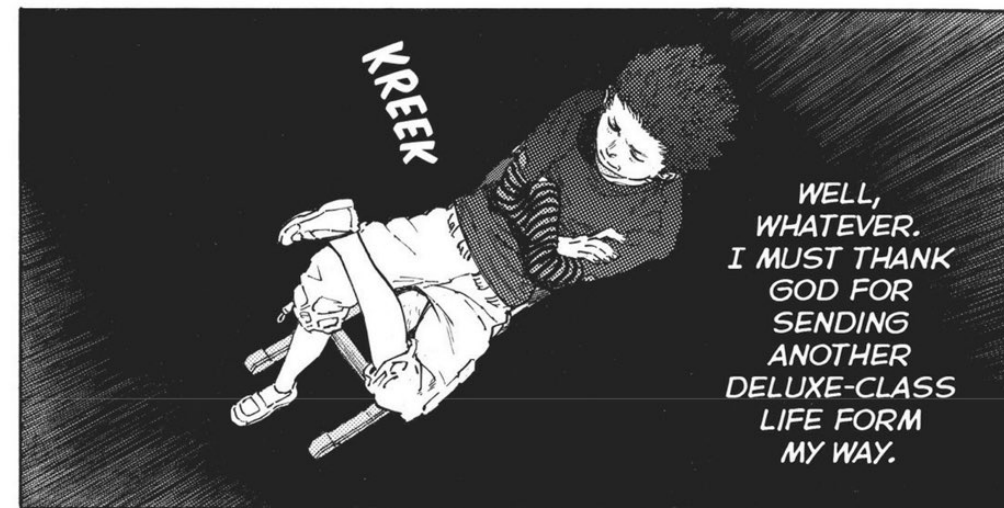
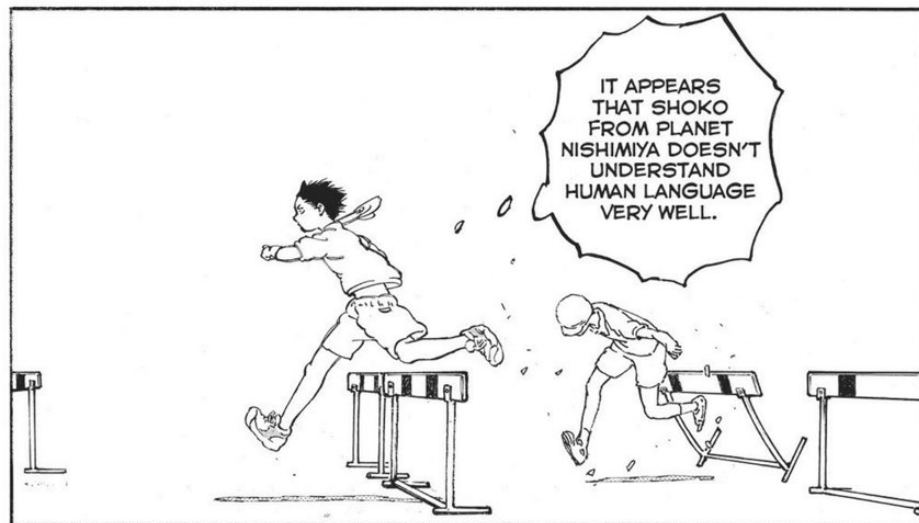
CHAPTER 2: JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS













THUNK

ARE YOU SERIOUS?



GOOD. NEXT.

THAT'S YOU, MR. ISHIDA.



ARGLE! BARGLE!

UWAH! UWOH!



I DID IT!!

I SPOKE NISHIMIYA-NESE!!



GIGGLE GIGGLE



HEH.



HAHA...



PFT!



HOW DO YOU EXPECT TO GET THE FEELINGS ACROSS LIKE THAT?

LOUD-ER, UENO!



KREEK

DAMN FOUR EYES.

STUDENT NUMBER FIFTEEN.



UGH... NEXT LINE:

YES, SIR...



...NOO SEE GRAMBA AGAIN.

ANH DOH I GAN'T WAID ...

Do you understand
what Sensei just said?
It would be a big help if you
could tell me.



SCRATCH
SCRATCH



LEND ME
YOUR NOTE-
BOOK.



HUH?



**THINGS
YOU JUST
HAVE TO
DEAL WITH,
HUH?**



KLAK
KLAK

PAGE 32,
CHAPTER 2
PRACTICE
SECTION.

PAGES
20 TO
25.



WRITE
DOWN
WHAT I'M
ABOUT
TO SAY,
KIDS.

What is everyone
writing down now?



YOU
HEAR
ME?

I KNOW
THE WAY NISHI-
MIYA SPEAKS
IS UNUSUAL,
BUT THAT'S NO
REASON TO
MOCK HER.



SHUT UP
AND
LISTEN TO
WHAT I
TELL YOU.

WE'RE
HAVING A
CONVER-
SATION
ABOUT
MORALITY.



I DON'T THINK
IT'S UNUSUAL.
SHE'S JUST
SPEAKING
HER MOTHER
TONGUE.



WHAT KIND
OF PARENT
RAISES AN
IDIOT LIKE
YOU?

I GUESS
THAT
EXPLAINS
WHY YOU ACT
LIKE THIS.

YOU'RE IN
THE SIXTH
GRADE AND
YOU DON'T
KNOW WHAT
MORALITY
IS?

WHAT-
ALITY?



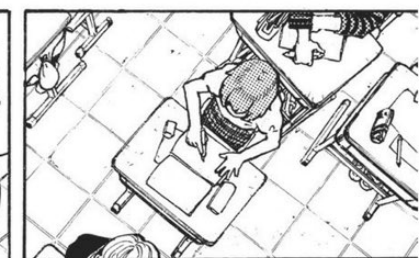
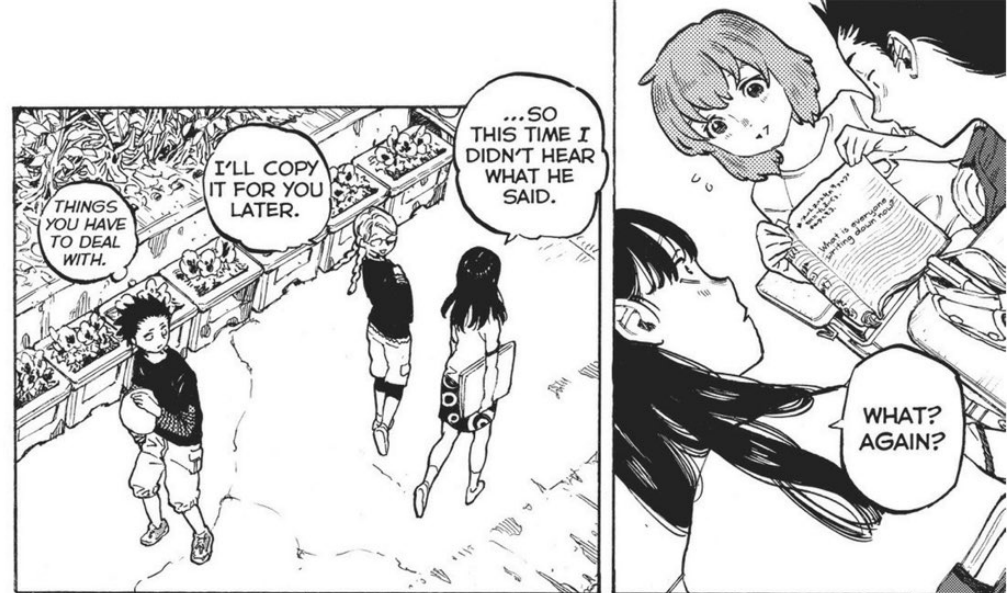
HAVE
TO DEAL
WITH...

THINGS
YOU...

THERE ARE
SOME THINGS
IN THIS
WORLD THAT
YOU JUST
HAVE TO
DEAL WITH!

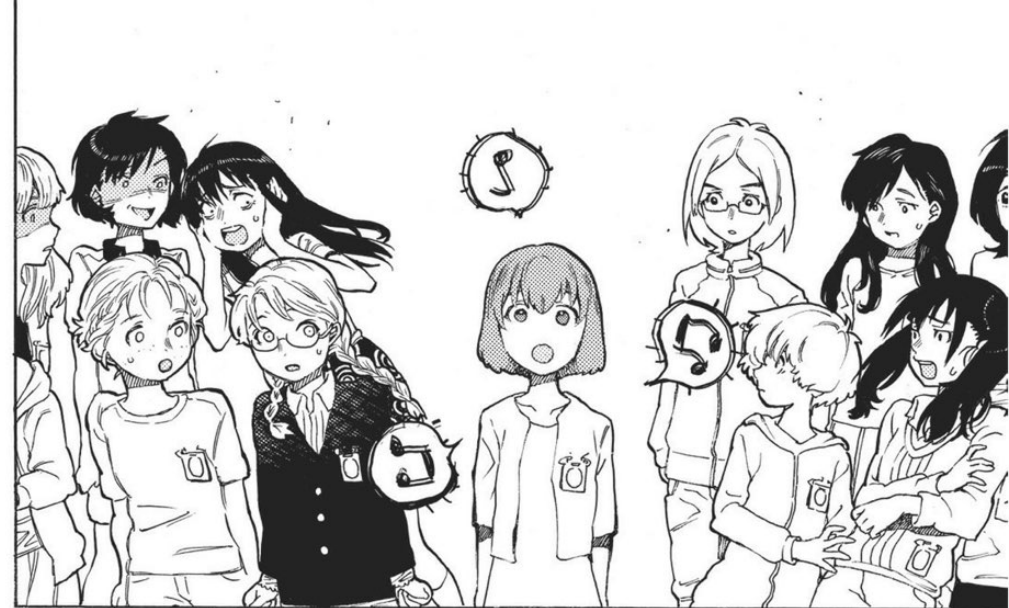
ANY-
WAY...

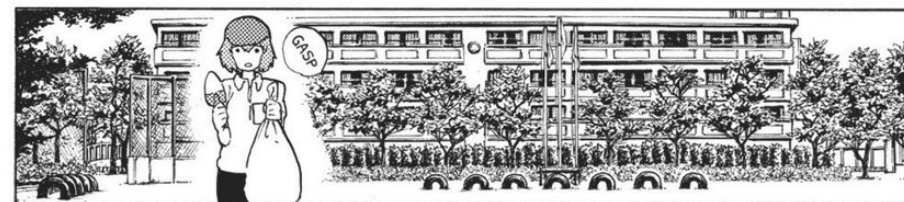
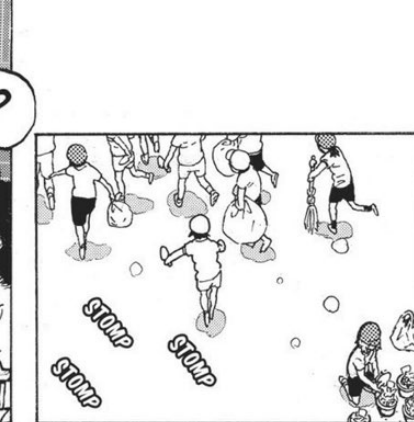
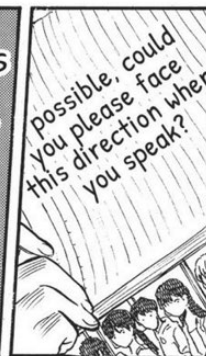
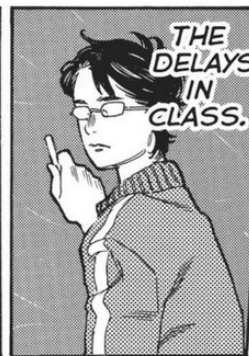






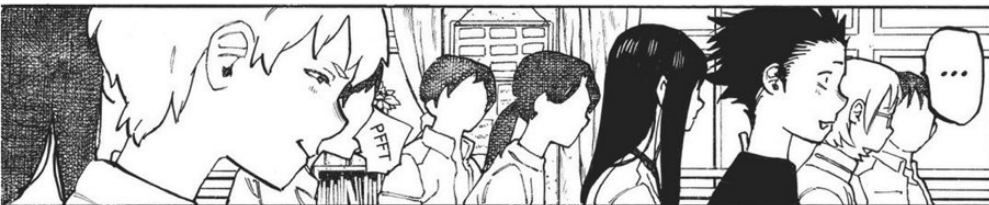
You're tone deaf,
so just pretend like
you're singing!







YOU'RE NOT EMBARRASSED MAKING THE STUDENTS LEARN SOMETHING YOU DON'T KNOW YOURSELF?



WHY DON'T WE TRY THIS AGAIN SOME OTHER TIME, MS. KITA?



I CAN SEE WHY NAOKA IS COMPLAINING.

NO ONE WILL GO ALONG WITH THIS.



IS THAT... A PROBLEM?



ISN'T IT JUST THAT YOU THINK LEARNING SIGN LANGUAGE WILL BE A BOTHER, NAOKA?

GRR!

IT SEEMS TO ME YOU'RE FINDING A REASON TO BE UNHAPPY...

...RIGHT NOW, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HOW WE CAN ALL HELP SHOKO...

UM...



HUH?

JUST A MOMENT, MS. KITA.

D-D... DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW?

MR. TAKEUCHI AND I WILL EVEN LEARN WITH YOU!

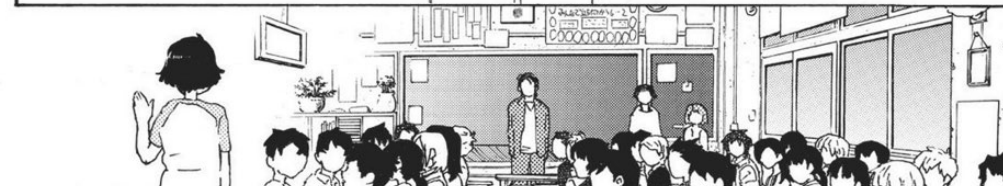


...NO, I DON'T.

...WHICH IS WHY I THOUGHT I WOULD START LEARNING TODAY...

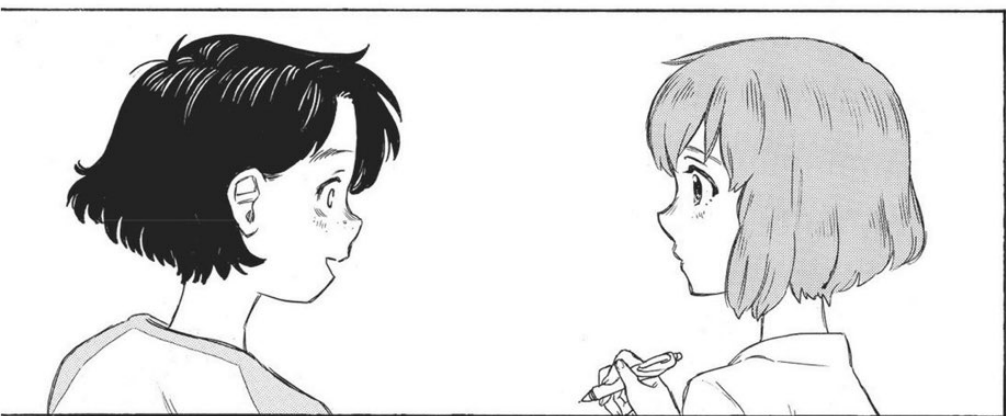


YOU DON'T KNOW SIGN LANGUAGE?





What's wrong?





BUT IS
NISHI-
MIYA
AWARE
OF THIS
FACT?



LOOKS
LIKE
FUN!

MAN,
THIS IS
REALLY
STUPID,
SHOYA.

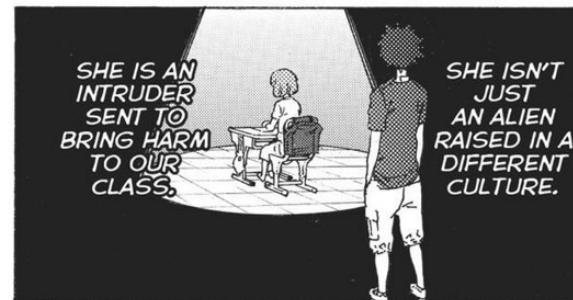
WHEN YOU
GET IN
TROUBLE,
I HAD
NOTHING TO
DO WITH
THIS!

LET
ME
HELP!



...NO MATTER
WHAT THE
METHOD...

...I MUST
INFORM
HER OF THE
TRUTH.



SHE IS AN
INTRUDER
SENT TO
BRING HARM
TO OUR
CLASS.

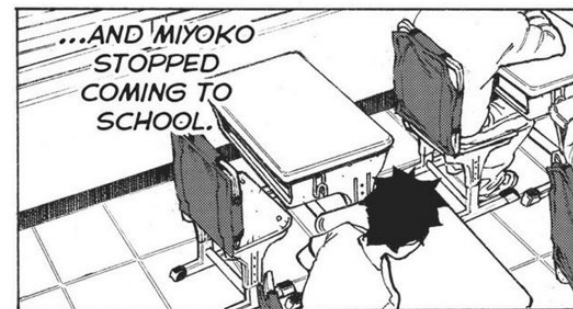
SHE ISN'T
JUST
AN ALIEN
RAISED IN A
DIFFERENT
CULTURE.



BECAUSE
OF HER,
THE CHOIR
COMPETITION
WAS A TOTAL
BUST...



...OUR
NORMAL
ROUTINE
WAS DE-
STROYED
...



...AND MIYOKO
STOPPED
COMING TO
SCHOOL.

I THINK I'VE
FIGURED OUT...

...SHOKO
NISHIMIYA'S TRUE
IDENTITY...

