



COULD IT
BE THAT
YOU
TOO...



A LONELY
EXPRESSION
FLOATED ON
THE FACE OF
WHAT SEEMED
TO BE AN
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL KID.



I WAS
SURPRISED
THAT
SOMEBODY
ELSE WAS
THERE
ALREADY.

IN THIS
WORLD
THERE ARE
MONSTERS
THAT
CANNOT BE
SEEN WITH
THE EYE

WHEN
YOU
LOOK
DEEP
INTO THE
ABYSS OF
SADNESS

WHEN
YOU
PLUNGE
INTO THE
PIT OF
DESPAIR

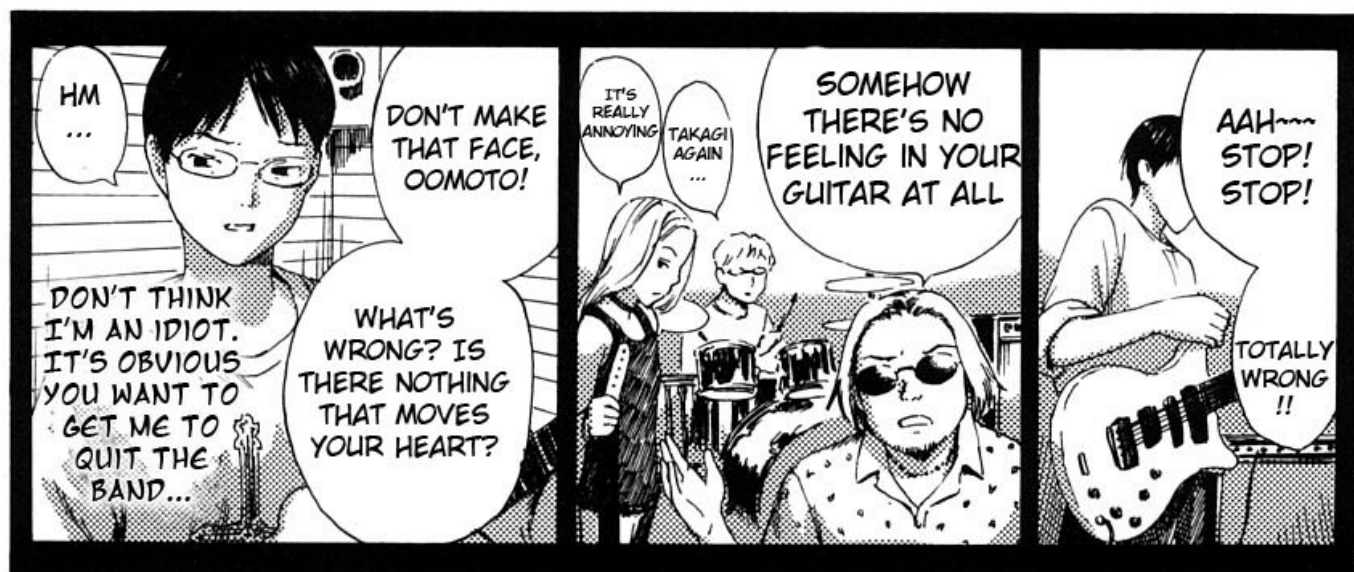
YOU HEAR
ITS MOUTH
DEVOURING
HUMANS

YOU HEAR
THE
MONSTER'S
GAPING
MOUTH

太古の森









YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO NERVOUS, IT'S NOTHING TERRIFYING.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 5TH GRADER ...

MEANING IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME, RIGHT?

SHE'S SMALL FOR 11 YEARS BUT SHE LOOKS LIKE A SHE'S BEING BROUGHT UP WELL

....

YOU'RE GETTING A LITTLE WET



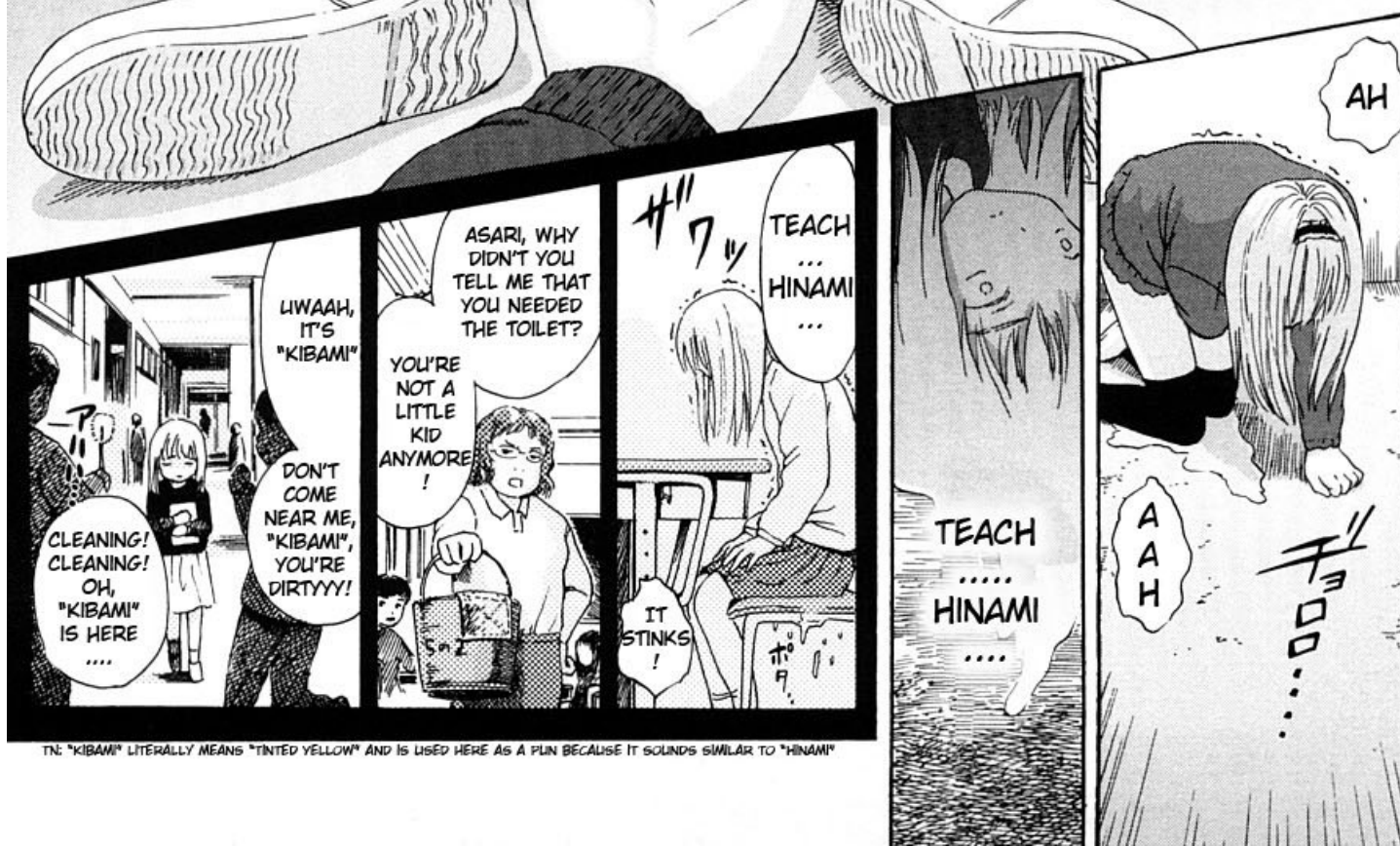
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WELL, I'M PUTTING MY FINGER IN

SORRY ... YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY

WHY WOULD SOMEBODY LIKE YOU ...?





TN: "KIBAMI" LITERALLY MEANS "TINTED YELLOW" AND IS USED HERE AS A PUN BECAUSE IT SOUNDS SIMILAR TO "HINAMI"







BUT
THE PAIN
IS PROOF
THAT
YOU'RE
ALIVE

...
AH!
IT HURTS
...

THAT'S BECAUSE
I'M
CONNECTING
WITH YOUR
MOST
SENSITIVE
PART

YE
...

YOU
OKAY
?



DON'T
WORRY, IT
GETS EASIER
AFTER I PUT
THE TIP IN.

SEE? IT'S
STEADILY
GOING IN
!

AH

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.....







I
WON'T
CRY
ANY-
MORE
...

NO
!

DON'T
STOP

I'M
SORRY
...

IT'S OK
TO CRY
...

LET'S KEEP
GOING
TILL TOTAL
EXHAUSTION
AND
FEELING GOOD
ALL OVER

YES
...

MORE
...

I'M
SORRY
...

DO
...

A LOT

SNIFF

I
WON'T
CRY
ANYMORE
...

I WON'T
TALK
ABOUT
STOPPING
ANYMORE



ONII-SAN ...



M ...

MY FIRST KISS ...



WHAT AN HONOR ...



ONII ... SAN
IT FEELS SO GOOD ...

IT FEELS GREAT ! YEAH

DO YOU ... FEEL GOOD TOO ?



THAT
THIS
KID
IS
DEAR
TO
ME
...

NOW
I'M
BEGINNING
TO
THINK



DIDN'T I
HAVE NOTHING
BUT MY
GUITAR
SKILLS?
(LAUGHING)



WHAT'S
THIS...
MY HEART
ISN'T REALLY
BEING
MOVED,
BUT...



ONII-SAN...
SOMEHOW...
I'M FEELING...
WEIRD...

I CAN'T
HOLD
STILL
..

MY BODY
SEEMS TO
GO WILD
...
!!

I'M SORRY
...
RUB MY
PUSSY
MORE
...

WHAT'S
HAPPENING
TO MY
BODY
...!?

HOLD
ME
DOWN
...

IT'S
SCARY
!



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....

Y
...
YEAH

URGH

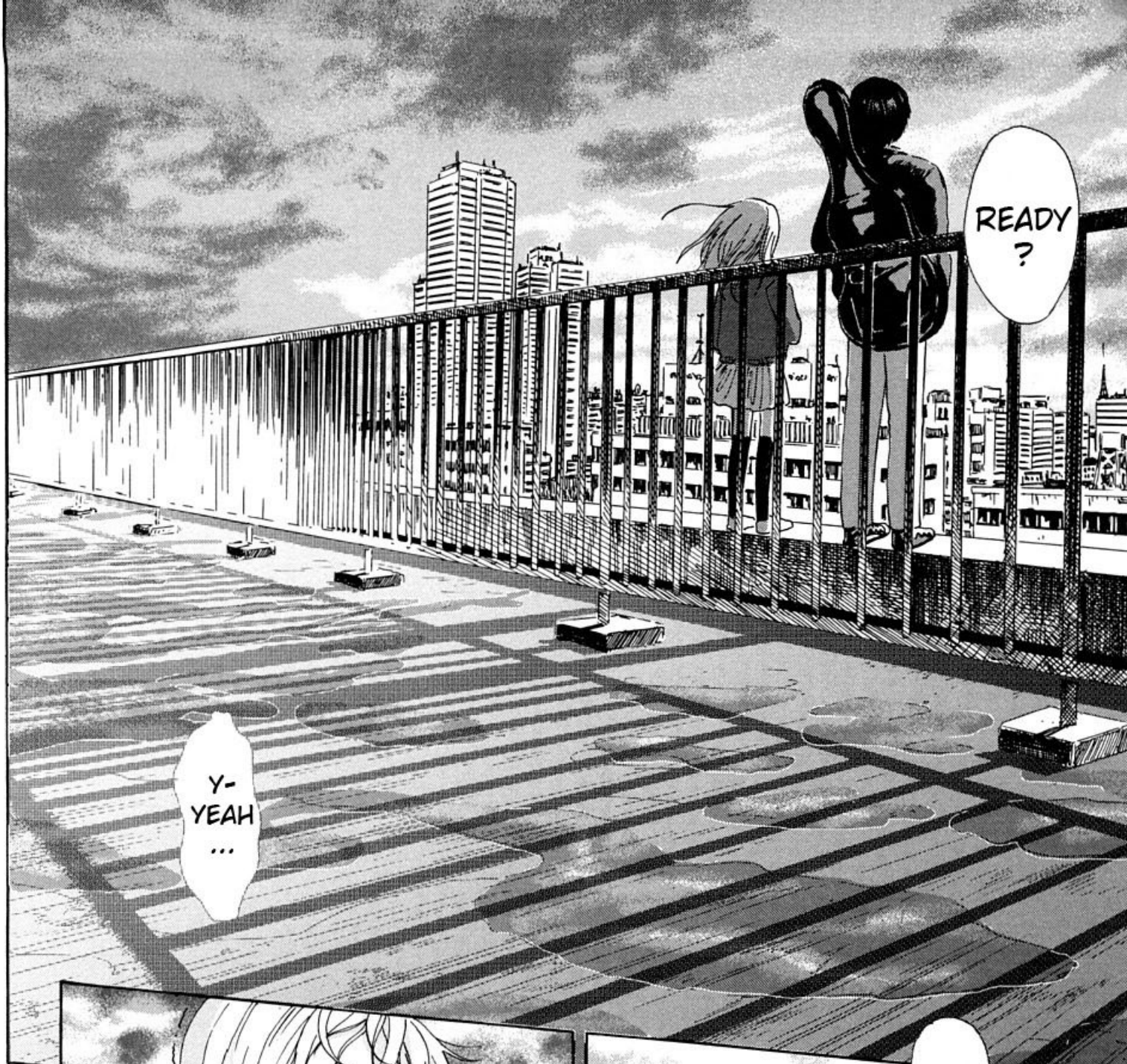


IT'S NOT
SCATY
AT
ALL!

DON'T
BEAR IT
BUT FOLLOW
WHAT YOUR
BODY
IS TELLING
YOU!

IT'S
OK
!





READY?
?

Y-YEAH
...



TWO



THREE



ONE



IN THIS
WORLD
THERE ARE
MONSTERS
THAT CANNOT
BE SEEN
WITH THE
EYE



THAT'S
GOOD ...
YOU
STILL HAVE
A FUTURE
...

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YOU
!?

I-
I'll
SAVE
YOU
AFTER
ALL

!!

WHEN I GET
REBORN THIS
TIME,
I WANT TO
PLAY THE
GUITAR
FROM WHEN
I'M THREE...

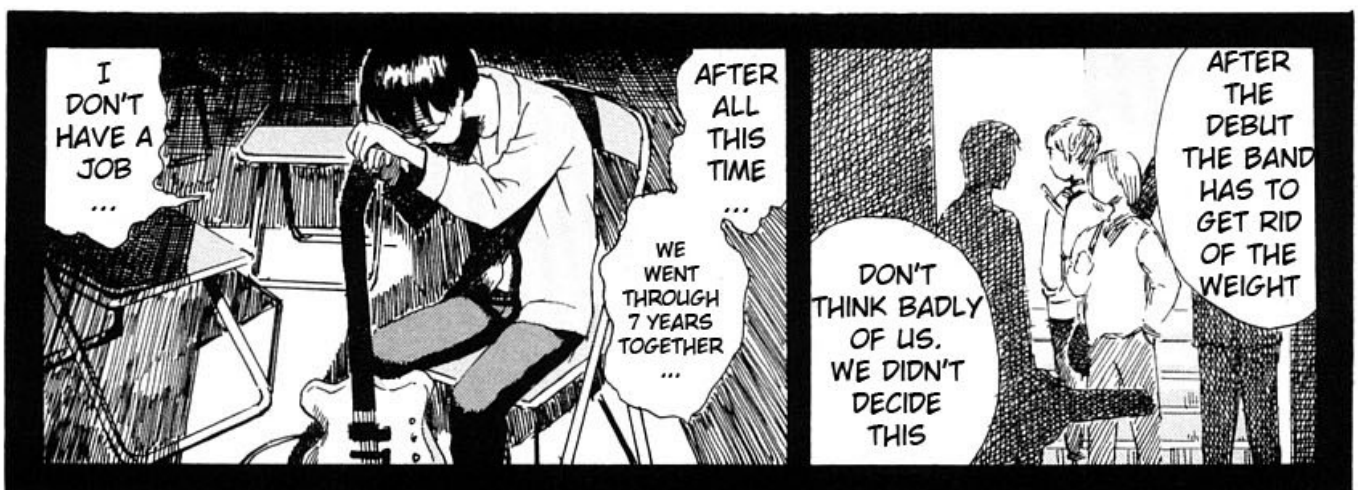


WHAT
ARE
YOU
DOING
!!

LET
GO
!!



YOU'LL
FALL
TOO
!?





I
WANT
TO
...
LIVE

I...
DON'T
WANNA...
DIE
ANYMORE

LIVE
...

I
WANT TO
BECOME
HAPPY
...



WOW,
THAT
WAS A BIG
HEALING
SPELL
...

EVEN THOUGH
YOU
COULDN'T
EVEN OPEN
A CAN OF
JUICE



SO
DON'T
DIE
!!!

IF
I CAN
DEPEND
ON
YOU
!!

I
CAN
KEEP
GOING
...

.....

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THIS
STORY/
REALITY
ISN'T
OVER
YET





BUT...
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THE BEST
FEELING

HOW
DID
YOU
SAY IT
...

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HURTS
HERE
AND
THERE
...

IS YOUR
BODY
OKAY
!?

TN:
SEE
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AT THE
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FOR
EXPL.
OF
PREV.
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OUR
ADVENTURE
IN THIS
MONSTER-FILLED
WORLD
HAS JUST
BEGIN
....

PROOF
THAT
I'M
ALIVE?

MY
BATTERED
GUITAR IS
A BRUTAL
SWORD

HER PATCHED
PLUSH BEAR
IS A MIGHTY
SUMMONED
BEAST

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