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【OSHI NO KO】

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HAVE YOU
EVER THOUGHT,
"WHAT IF I WERE A
CELEBRITY'S KID?"



"WHAT IF I'D BEEN
BORN WITH LOOKS AND
CONNECTIONS?"



IF YOU
HAD A
TICKET
TO THIS
WORLD...

...RIGHT
FROM THE
START...

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THIS STORY IS FICTION.





ANYTHING THAT MIGHT REFLECT BADLY ON THE OVERALL ILLUSION IS NEATLY COVERED UP.

EXAGGERATED.

IT'S FABRICATED.

RAAAH!



THAT BEING THE CASE...

...AN "IDOL FAN" IS BY DEFINITION "SOMEBODY WHO WANTS TO BE LIED TO."



THE UN-
CONTESTED
ACE OF THE
IDOL GROUP
B KOMACHI.

WHAT I
WOULDN'T
GIVE TO
SEE ALL
THAT
CUTENESS
IN
PERSON...
HNNGH...



—Ai.

THE PER-
MANENT
CENTER.
THE
ULTIMATE
SIXTEEN-
YEAR-
OLD
BEAUTY.

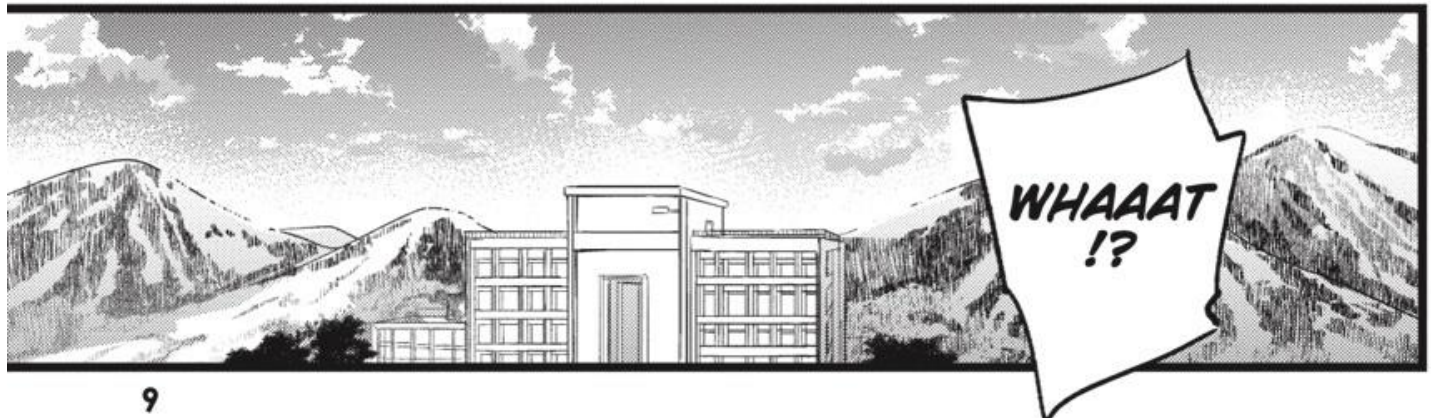
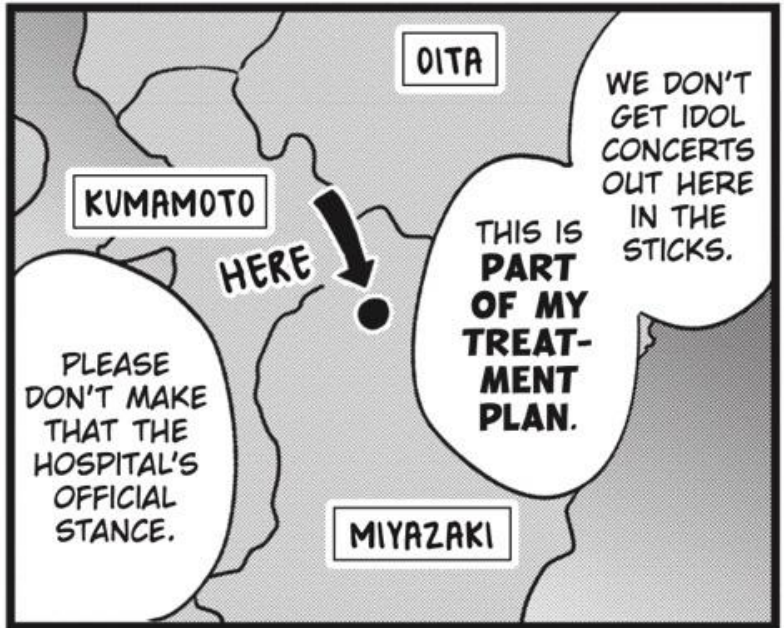


IN SHOW
BUSINESS
...

**AIII
!!!**

...LIES
ARE A
WEAP-
ON.











IN MY NEXT LIFE, I WANT A FACE LIKE THAT...

SHE'S THE SAME AGE AS ME, BUT SHE LOOKS SO GROWN-UP, AND SHE'S AN AMAZING SINGER AND DANCER!

MOST OF ALL, THAT FACE.....



YOU GOTTA DREAM A LITTLE MORE, SENSEI.

DON'T BE DUMB.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, YOUR NEXT LIFE?



NOPE.

THERE, SEE? NO DREAMS.

LIKE, WHAT IF YOU'D BEEN BORN WITH LOOKS AND CONNECTIONS?



HAVEN'T YOU EVER THOUGHT, "WHAT IF I WERE A CELEBRITY'S KID?"



YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT FOR YOUR NEXT LIFE.

YOU'RE CUTE TOO, SARINA-CHAN.



YOU MEAN IT?

IF YOU DO, I'LL BE YOUR FAN.

ONCE YOU'RE DISCHARGED, GO BE AN IDOL.



DAKI (CHUG)

MARRY ME!

I LOVE YOU, SENSEI!

I'D RATHER NOT DIE BY SOCIAL SUICIDE, THANKS.



...SIXTEEN,
HUH?



SORRY.
ONCE YOU'RE
SIXTEEN, I'LL
GIVE IT SOME
SERIOUS
THOUGHT.



PSSH!
MORALIST.



HEY,
IT'S A
PRACTICAL
PLAN.

YOU'RE A
MEANIE.

SENSEI...



SHE WAS
ONLY
TWELVE.

IT WAS AN
ANAPLASTIC
ASTRO-
CYTOMA.



I SEE.

AI IS LIVING SARINA-CHAN'S DREAM. I JUST WANT TO WATCH HER GET THERE.



...I'M PROBABLY SEEING SARINA-CHAN.

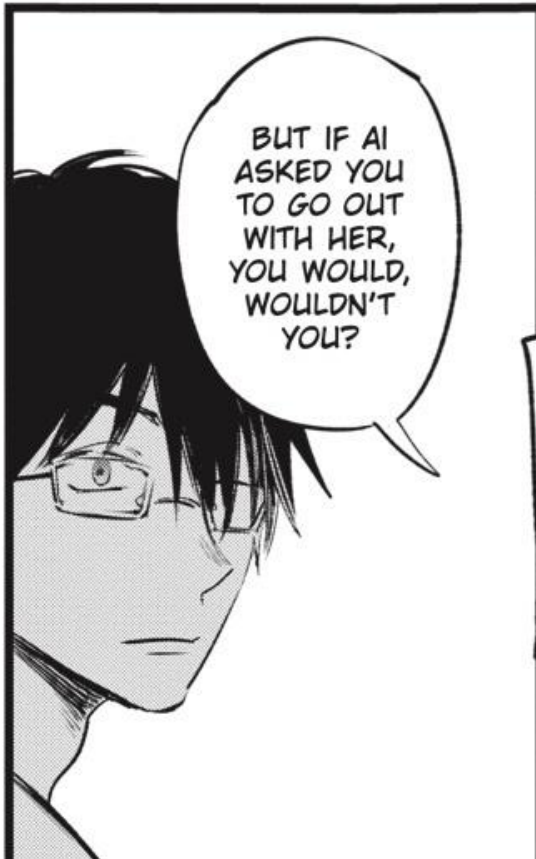
WHEN I WATCH AI, THE IDOL SHE LOVED...

IF SHE'D LIVED, SHE'D BE SIXTEEN NOW, LIKE AI.

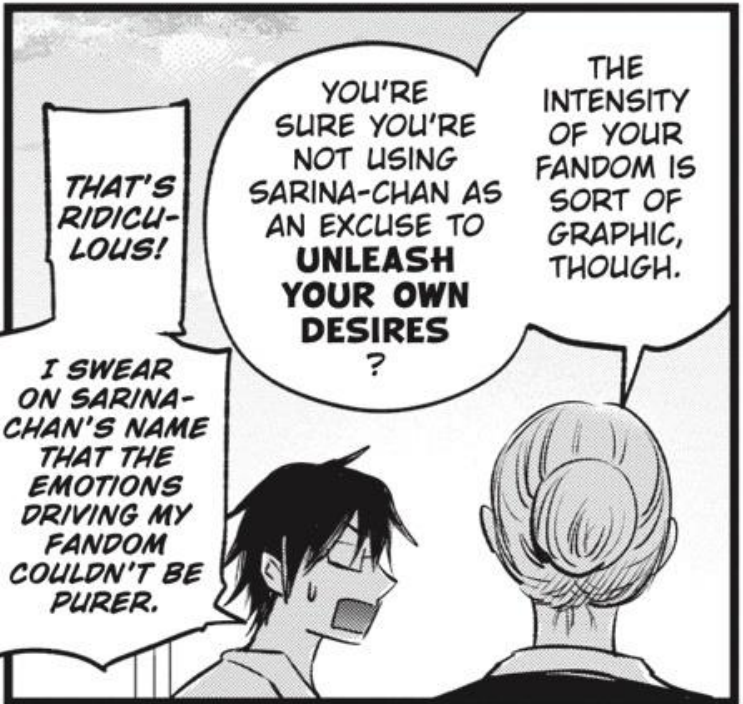


WERE YOU NOT LISTENING TO ME!? WERE YOU NOT MOVED BY MY STORY !?

BOTTOM LINE IS YOU LIKE LITTLE GIRLS.



BUT IF AI ASKED YOU TO GO OUT WITH HER, YOU WOULD, WOULDN'T YOU?

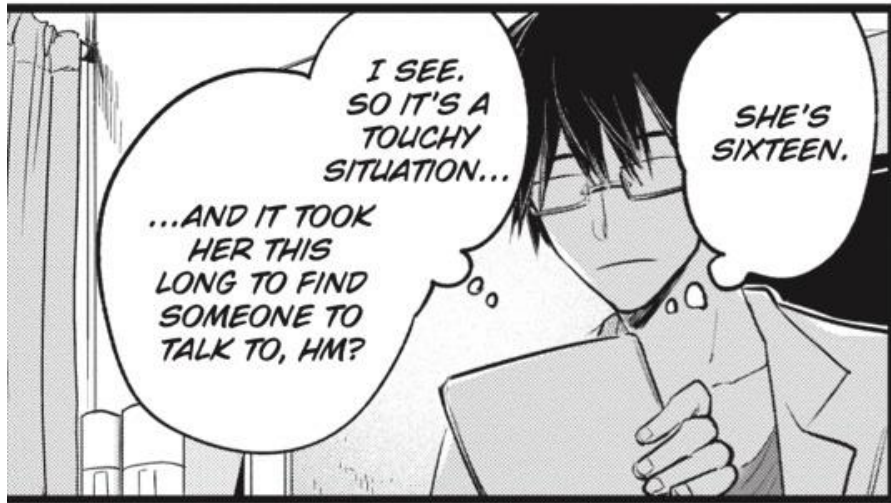


I SWEAR ON SARINA-CHAN'S NAME THAT THE EMOTIONS DRIVING MY FANDOM COULDN'T BE PURER.

YOU'RE SURE YOU'RE NOT USING SARINA-CHAN AS AN EXCUSE TO UNLEASH YOUR OWN DESIRES ?

THE INTENSITY OF YOUR FANDOM IS SORT OF GRAPHIC, THOUGH.





I SEE.
SO IT'S A
TOUCHY
SITUATION...

SHE'S
SIXTEEN.

...AND IT TOOK
HER THIS
LONG TO FIND
SOMEONE TO
TALK TO, HM?



LOOKS
LIKE
SHE'S
ABOUT
TWENTY
WEEKS
ALONG.

THAT'S
PRETTY
LATE
FOR A
FIRST
EXAM.



WELL,
UH, ON
PAPER
.....

YOU'RE
HER
FATHER?



I SEE.

PRACTICALLY
SPEAKING, I'M
HER GUARDIAN,
OR MAYBE HER
GUARANTOR.

SHE GREW
UP IN A
CHILDREN'S
HOME, SO...



ALMOST
LIKE THAT
IDOL'S—

THAT
SOUNDS...
FAMILIAR.

SIXTEEN,
RAISED
IN A
GROUP
HOME.





NOPE, EVERY-THING'S RUNNIN' SMOOTH!

NO PROBLEMS TODAY EITHER!

COULD IT BE A WICKED CASE OF CONSTIPATION...?

WHAT'S YOUR TAKE ON THIS, SENSEI?

IF IT WERE, SHE'D BE DEAD.



I'LL NEED TO SET UP FIRST. WAIT JUST A MOMENT.

FOR NOW, LET'S MOVE ON TO THE EXAMINATION.



GACHA (KCHAK)



HUH!?! THE REAL DEAL!?!

WHOA-WHOA-WHOA, WHAT!?!



IT'S AI,
LIVE AND IN
PERSON!
SHE'S
SOOOOO
CUUUUUUTE!

AAA
AAH!



NO, I'VE
BEEN A FAN
FOR YEARS!
I'D NEVER
MISTAKE
SOMEONE
ELSE FOR
HER!

IS SHE
AN AI
LOOK-
ALIKE!?



MY
FAVORITE
IDOL IS
KNOCKED
UP!!

—NOW'S
NOT THE
TIME!!

BIKU
(FLINCH)

DOKOO
(CWHUD)

ドクドク



YES!
THAT! MY
QUESTION
EXACTLY!!

HOW
DID THIS
HAPPEN?

SERI-
OUSLY.



AI...

THE
SHOCK'S
SO BAD, I
THINK I'M
GONNA
BARF!!

