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DARKNESS



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**CHAPTER 1:  
THE CURSED CHILD**









THEY'RE NOT  
THE SAME PEOPLE.



INUMAKI  
DURING A SENDAI  
MISSION, 2017





**YOU CAN'T.**



**STOP IT.**







**REPORT—TOKYO, NOVEMBER 2016**  
FOUR STUDENTS, INCLUDING THE RINGLEADER,  
SUFFER SEVERE INJURIES IN RESPONSE TO THEIR  
PERSISTENT BULLYING BEHAVIOR.









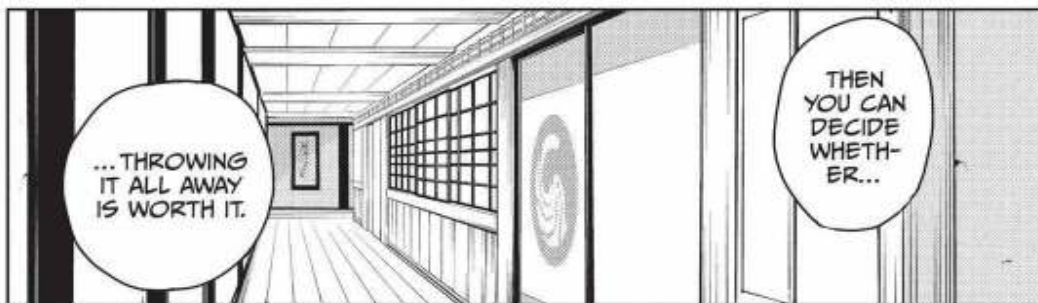






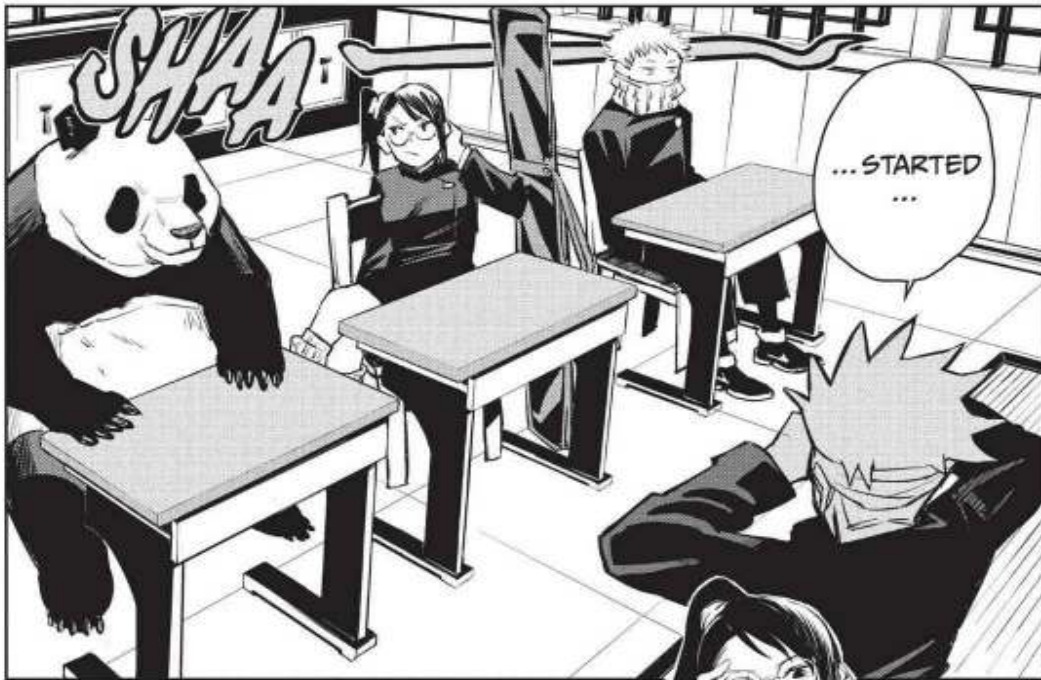






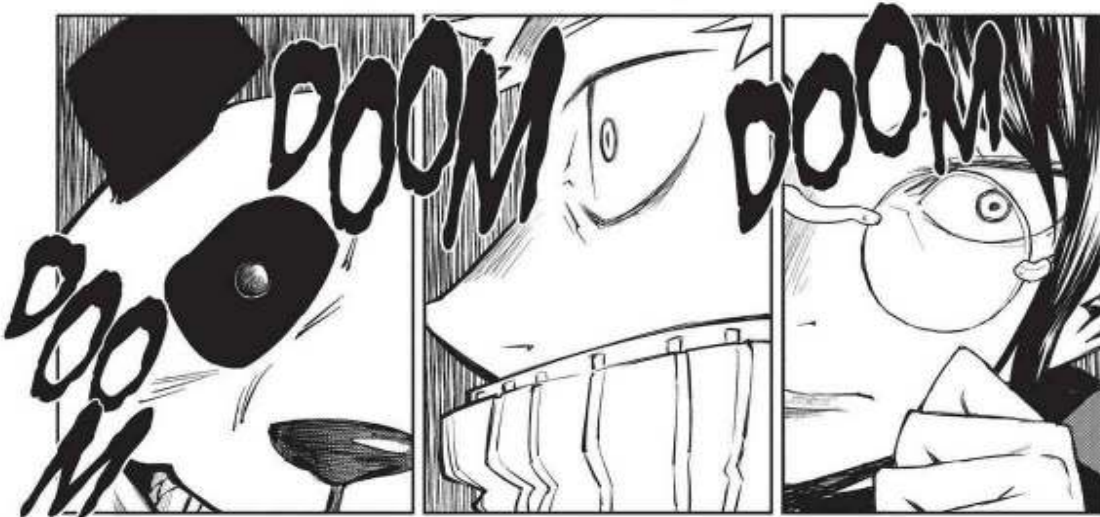
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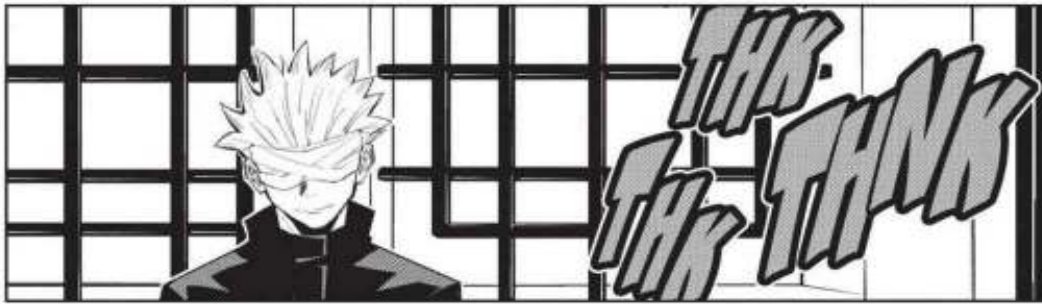
















DON'T  
YOU KNOW  
YOU'RE  
CURSED?

*NATIONALLY,  
THE AVERAGE  
NUMBER OF  
UNEXPLAINED  
DEATHS AND  
MISSING  
PERSONS  
EXCEEDS  
10,000  
ANNUALLY.*



NOT A PLACE  
FOR PEOPLE  
WHO ARE  
CURSED!

THIS IS  
A PLACE  
TO LEARN  
ABOUT  
CURSES.













SPECIAL GRADE CURSED HUMAN: YUTA OKKOTSU  
SPECIAL GRADE VENGEFUL CURSED SPIRIT: RIKA

RECORD—SIX YEARS AGO, SENDAI CITY, MIYAGI PREFECTURE









































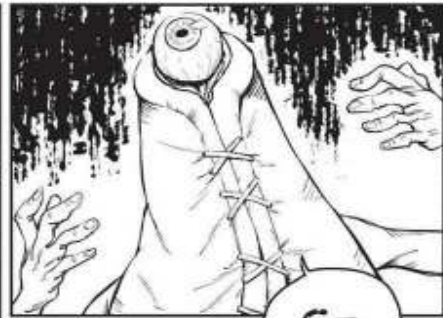
















BE QUIET.

W-W-WHAT SHOULD WE DO ?!

DUN DUN DUN DUN DUN

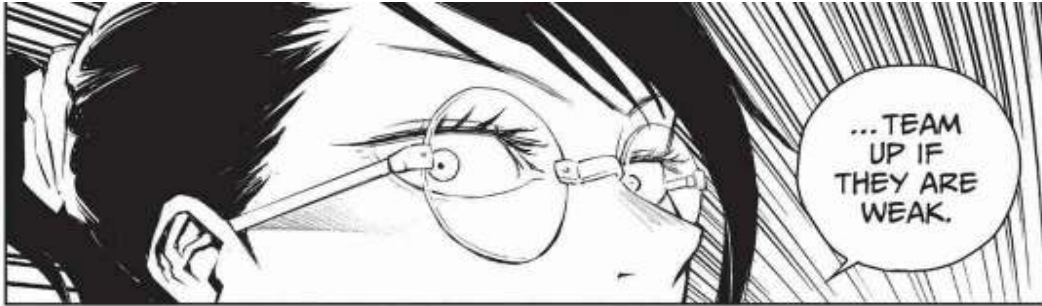
THEY'RE COMING!!



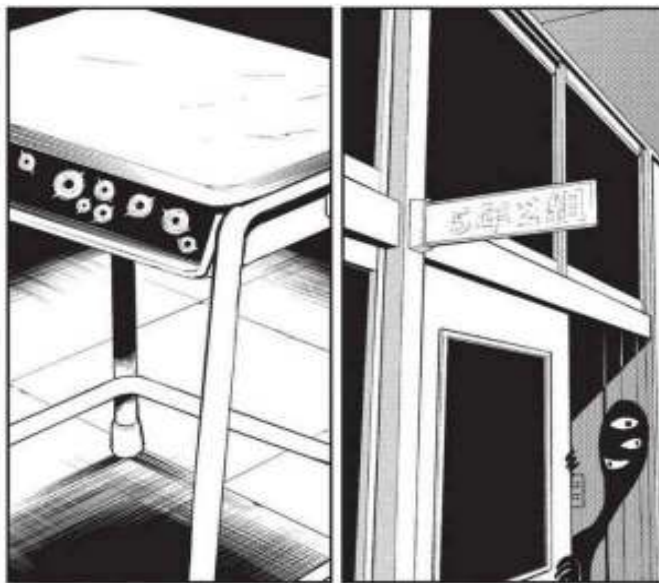
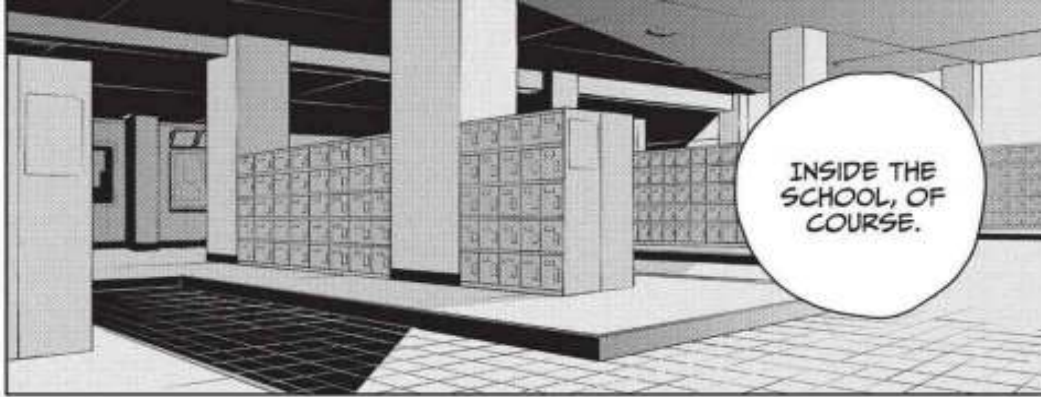
HERE'S A LESSON FOR YOU.

CURSES...



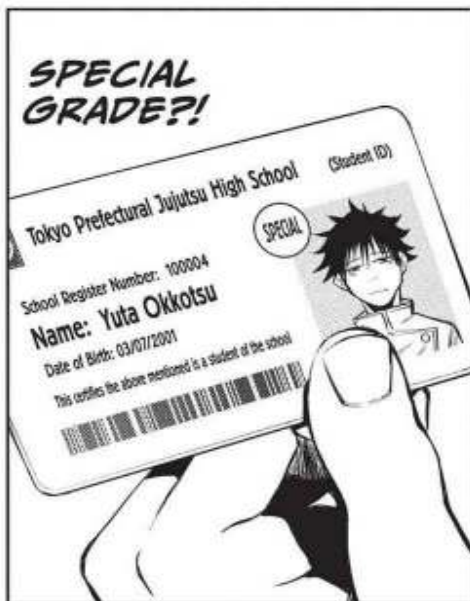




























# CHOMP



...THANKS  
FOR THE  
MEEAAL...

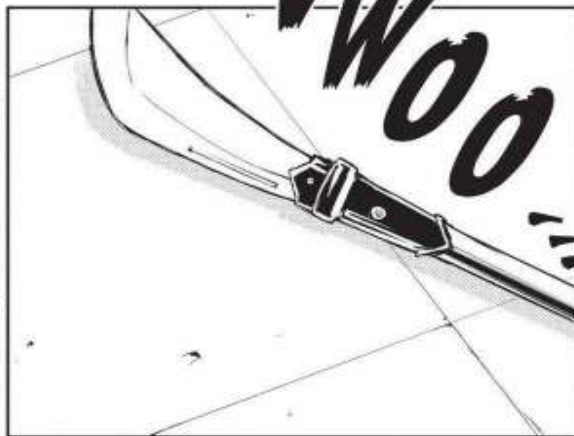
TH-  
TH-  
THA...



**BAM**

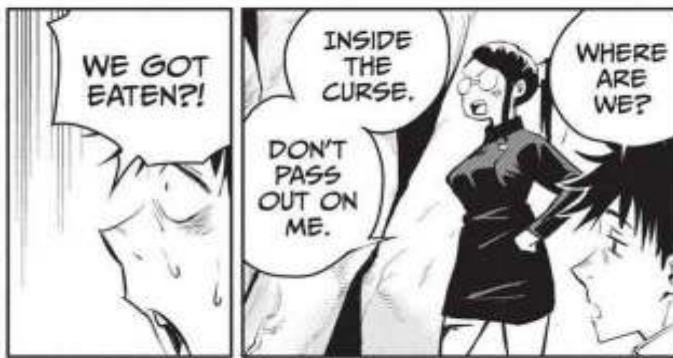
I  
DROPPED  
MY  
CURSED  
TOOL!

D  
A  
M  
M  
I  
T  
!



**VWOO**













ムズク

NOT EVERYONE HAS A RESISTANCE TO CURSES LIKE YOU.



NOTHING! WE WAIT FOR HELP!

WHAT?! WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO?!



HUH? ZEN'IN?



ZEN'IN?!

THUD



IS IT CURSED?

WHAT'S THIS WOUND?



KRCH  
KRCH





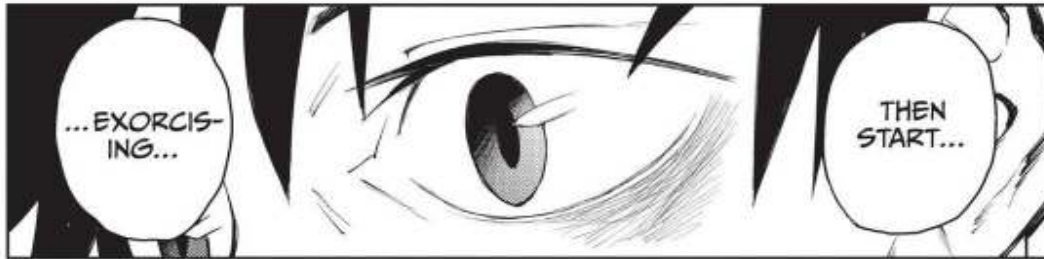




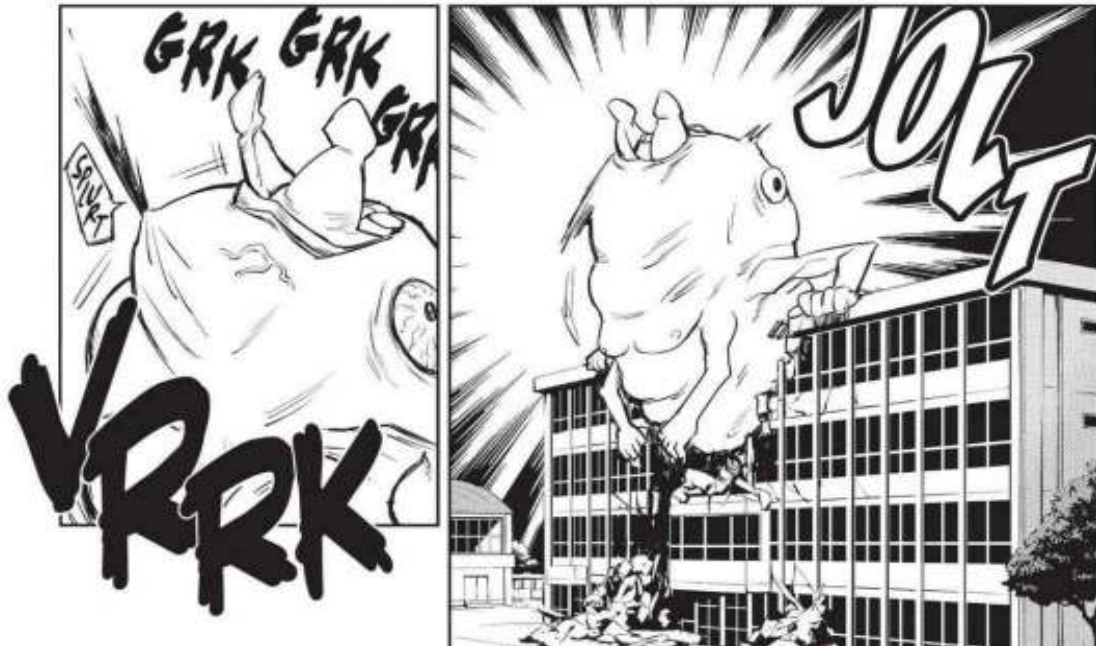




















**VUM!**



HUHHH?  
WHOOO  
ARE  
YOU-  
UU?

GRK  
GRK  
GRK



**GRCHK**



**SHUUUT  
UP!**











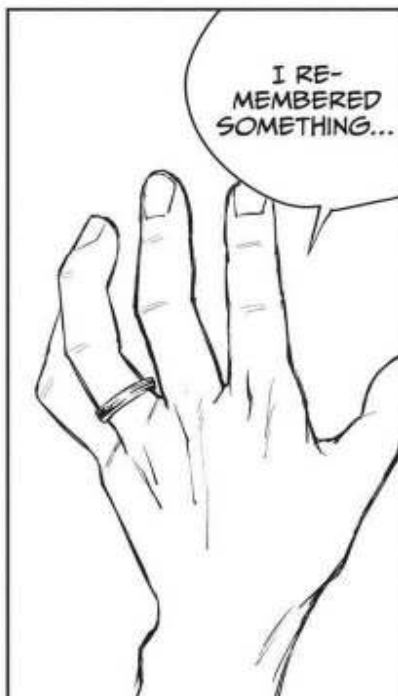










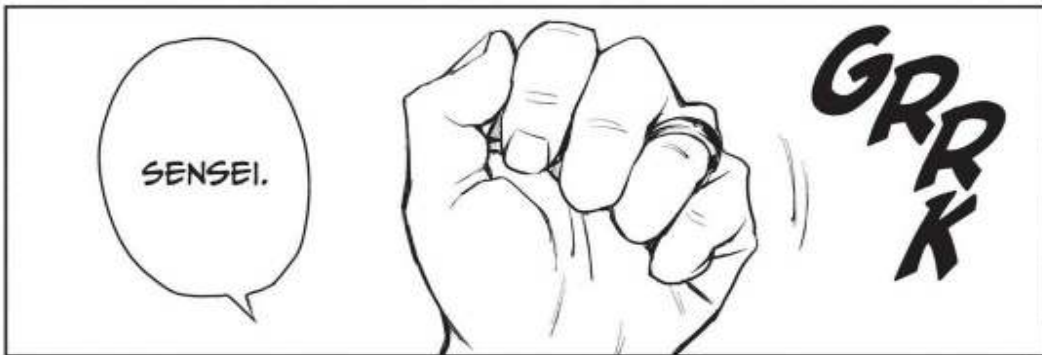


















# RIKA ORIMOTO

(DECEASED AT THE AGE OF 11)



- Rika's mother died suddenly from unknown causes when Rika was five.
- Two days before entering elementary school, Rika and her father got lost while mountain climbing. One week later, Rika was found alone and rescued from a shelter near the summit.
- At the hospital, she met Yuta, who was being treated for pneumonia. They later ended up going to the same elementary school.
- Her father was never found, and his death has never been confirmed.
- Aware of how her appearance is perceived, Rika sometimes manipulates adults.
- Rika was taken in by her grandmother on her father's side, who strongly believes that Rika killed both her parents.
- Rika stole the ring she gave Yuta from her grandmother's dresser. It was her mother's wedding ring.
- When she was human, Rika was very friendly with Yuta's younger sister. However, after becoming a vengeful curse, she became aggressive, which is why Yuta distanced himself from his family.
- She dislikes everyone besides Yuta—especially girls and older guys.
- The thing she dislikes the most in the world is her grandmother's stewed eggplant.
- She loves Yuta.



CHAPTER 2:  
BLACKER AND BLACKER









WE KNOW  
NEXT TO  
NOTHING.

HOW DID  
THIS GIRL,  
WHO HAS NO  
HISTORY OF  
SORCERY IN  
HER FAMILY...

...BECOME  
SUCH AN  
IMMENSELY  
STRONG  
CURSE?



...AN  
ENTIRE  
TOWN  
COULD  
HAVE  
BEEN DE-  
STROYED!!

HAD RIKA  
ORIMOTO'S  
RAMPAGE  
CONTINUED...

STOP YOUR  
NONSENSE!



BUT THERE'S  
ONE THING  
I CAN SAY  
FOR SURE...

I WOULD'VE  
RISKED MY  
LIFE TO STOP  
THAT.



PLEASE,  
LET US  
BE FOR  
A WHILE.

WHAT WE  
LEARN WILL  
COME FROM  
TRIAL AND  
ERROR.

YOU CAN'T  
CONTROL  
WHAT YOU  
DON'T  
UNDERSTAND.









NO  
MATTER  
WHO YOU  
ARE.

**CHAPTER 2:  
BLACKER AND BLACKER**



OH,  
UM...



**WHAP**



HEY, HEY,  
EVERYONE.

HOW'S  
IT GOIN'?



TOKYO  
PREFEC-  
TURAL  
JUJUTSU  
HIGH...

A PLACE  
TO LEARN  
ABOUT  
CURSES IN  
ORDER TO  
EXORCISE  
THEM.

A SCHOOL  
FOR JUJUTSU  
SORCERERS.













A KATANA...!



THINK OF IT LIKE A PIPE THAT'S ALREADY THERE.

YOUR CONNECTION TO RIKA CAME ABOUT THROUGH THE RING.

A CURSE IS MOST STABLE WHEN POSSESSING AN ITEM.



THEN REPEAT THAT PROCESS, INCREASE THE ENERGY AND MASTER IT.

INVOKE THE CURSE OF RIKA, CHANNEL IT INTO THE KATANA AND CONTROL IT.























THINGS ARE LOOKIN' GOOD.



CHATTER

MAYBE MEDIUM-SIZED...

MM-HM.

I DON'T REALLY HAVE A PREFERENCE, BUT...

GOOOT-CHA.



YEAH?

MAKI!



YOU'RE DEAD MEAT! THE WORLD WILDLIFE FUND AIN'T GONNA SAVE YOU HERE!!

DON'T BE EMBARRASSED!! WHAT'RE YOU, A KID?!

GRAAHHA

WHAT'RE YOU GOING ON ABOUT?! I'LL KILL YA!



GATHER UP.

...AND I'M A BIT SCARED OF HIM.

I STILL DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT INUMAKI ...

CLAP

CLAP



WHAT'RE YOU GUYS TALKIN' ABOUT?

HA HA.



...



KELP...























THERE ARE PLANS TO DEMOLISH THIS ENTIRE AREA TO BUILD A LARGE SHOPPING MALL.

ALSO A CHAUFFEUR

HAPINA SHOPPING CENTER. IT'S NOW PRETTY MUCH ABANDONED.

**JJUTSU HIGH  
ASSISTANT MANAGER  
KIYOTAKA IJICHI**





















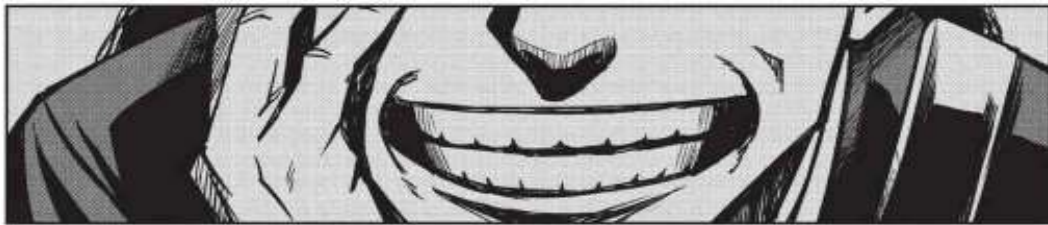


















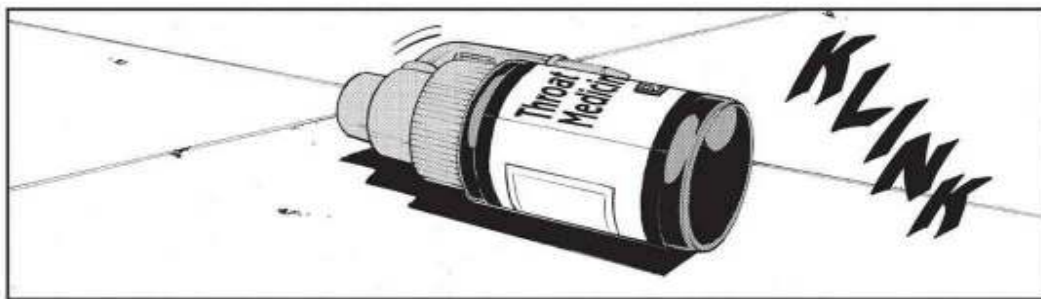




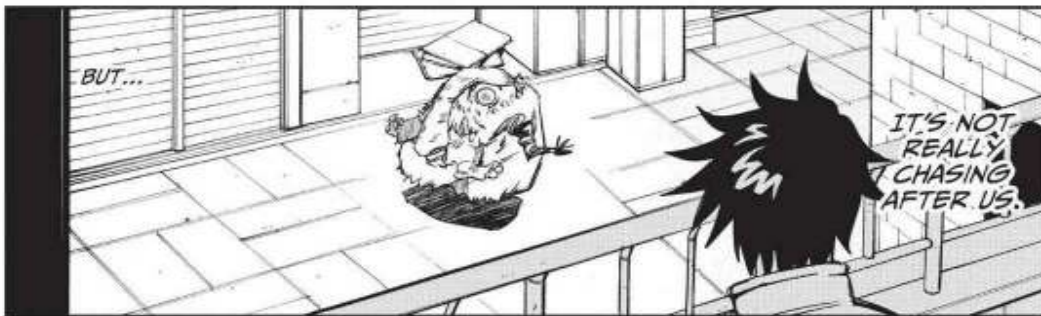




































...YOU SPEAK USING HARMLESS RICE BALL INGREDIENTS, RIGHT?

TO KEEP FROM CURSING PEOPLE UNNECESSARILY...

INUMAKI, YOU'RE KIND.

A close-up of Inumaki's face, looking thoughtful.

TRYING TO KEEP ME AWAY FROM DANGER.

YOU SAVED ME TODAY TOO.

...YOU WERE JUST TRYING TO CALM ME DOWN, WEREN'T YOU?

BACK THEN, WHEN I WAS NERVOUS...













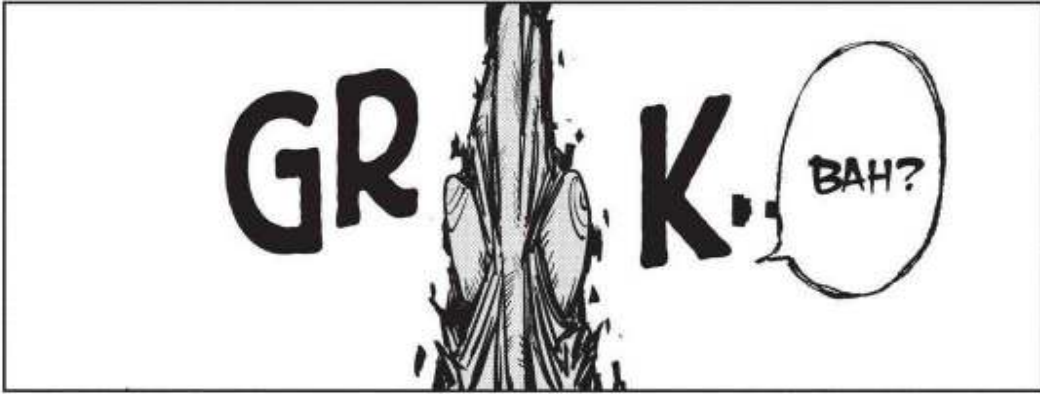


















I WON'T  
BE ABLE  
TO STAY AT  
JUJUTSU HIGH  
ANYMORE.

...I'LL  
RETURN  
TO BEING  
A NORMAL  
PERSON.

WHEN I  
UNRAVEL  
RIKA'S  
CURSE...



TOO  
BAD.

THE  
CURTAIN'S  
STILL...

AH.

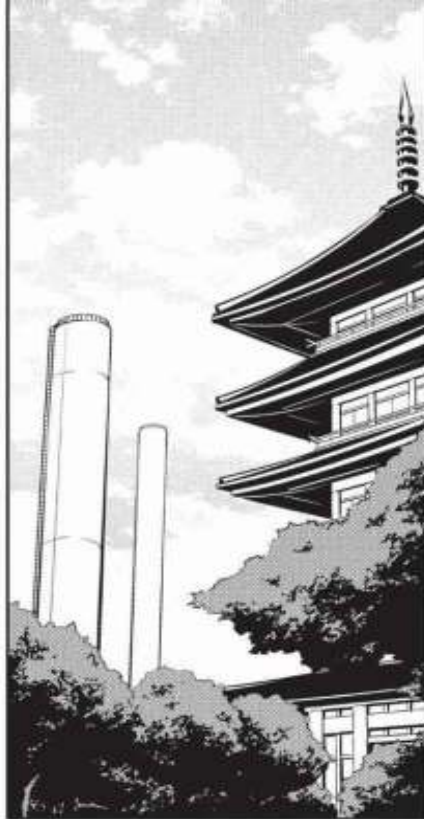
BUT I  
WANNA BE  
USEFUL TO  
EVERYONE  
UNTIL THEN.



I WAS  
HOPING  
I'D GET TO  
SEE THE  
FAMOUS  
RIKA.















MY  
DEEPEST  
APOLO-  
GIES.

?



SOME-  
BODY CAST  
ANOTHER  
CURTAIN ON  
TOP OF  
MINE.



NO. THE  
ENEMY  
IS TOO  
STRONG.

I ACCEPT  
FULL RESPON-  
SIBILITY FOR  
THIS...



IN ADDITION,  
THERE WAS AN  
UNIDENTIFIED  
SEMI-GRADE  
1 CURSE.



... WHO'S  
BEHIND  
THIS?

DO YOU  
KNOW  
...

...





SUGURU  
GETO.



OF THE  
FOUR  
SPECIAL  
GRADES,  
ONE IS...

...CONSIDERED  
THE WORST OF  
ALL CURSE  
USERS...



HE WAS  
EXPELLED  
FROM  
JUJUTSU  
HIGH, AND  
HE'S  
KILLED  
OVER A  
HUNDRED  
CIVILIANS.





## Inumaki's Words

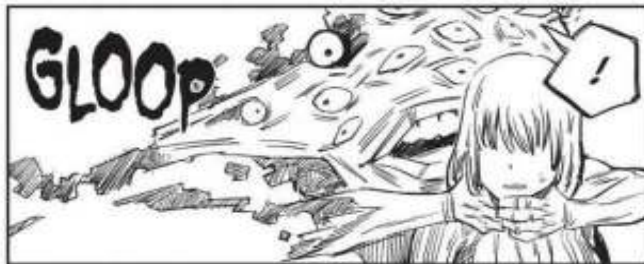


Salmon is an  
affirmative, and fish  
flakes is a negative.  
Everything else  
is gibberish.

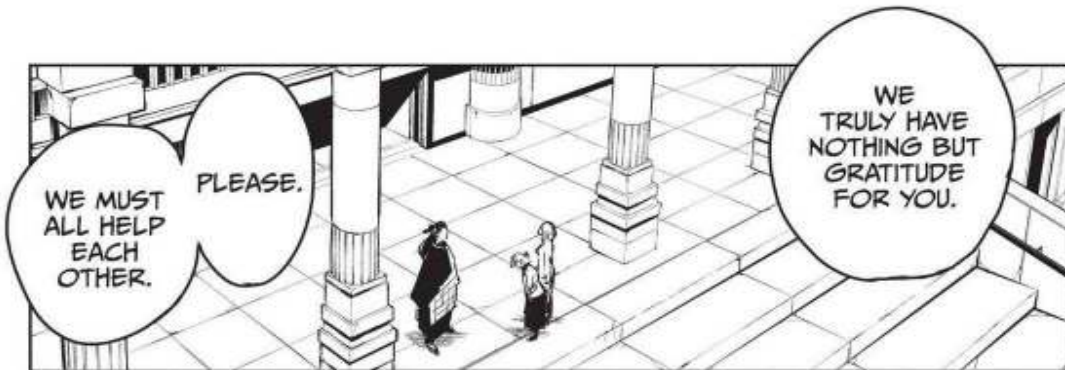




































### CHAPTER 3: PUNISHMENT FOR THE WEAK



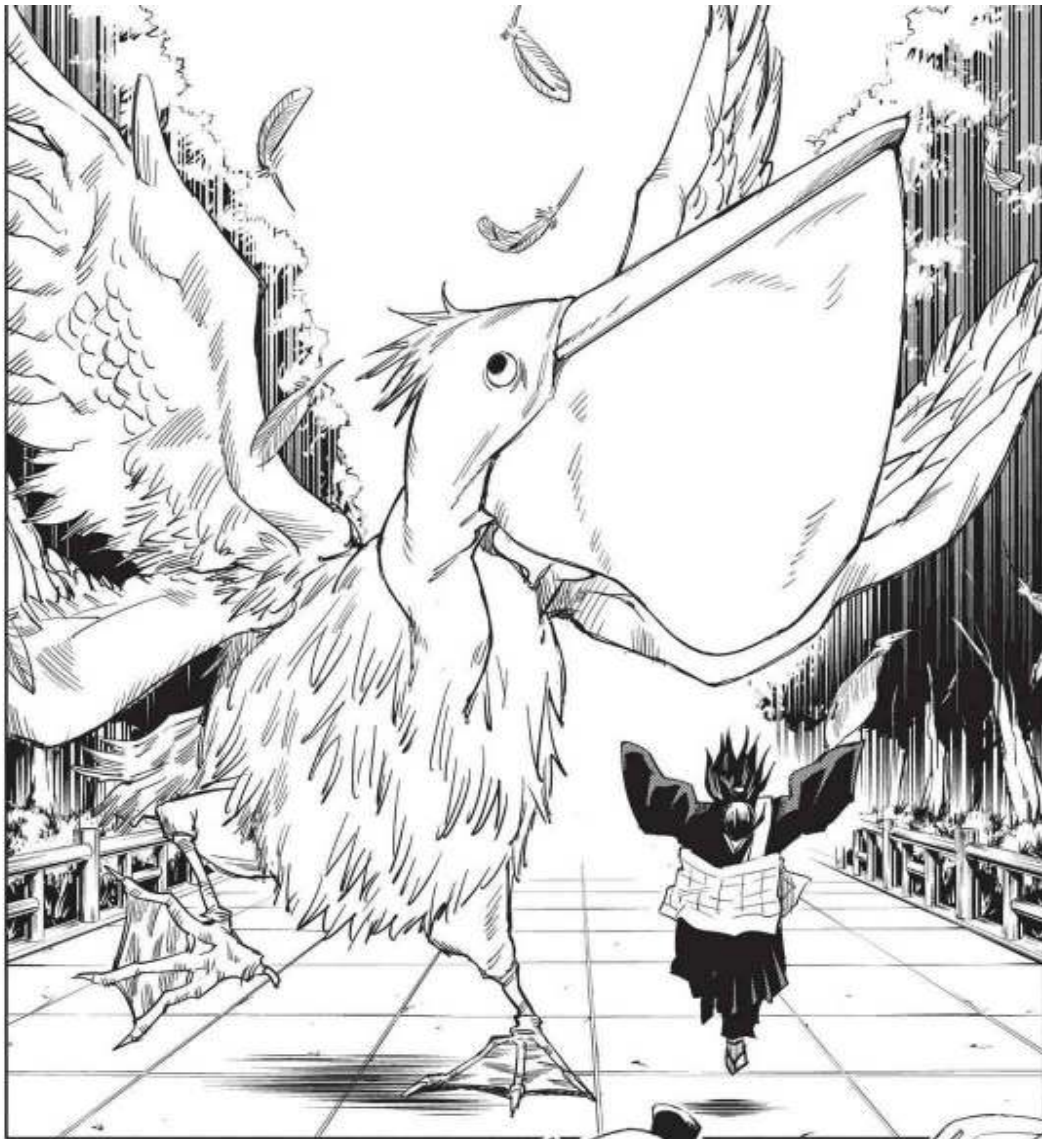












































THE NIGHT PARADE OF A HUNDRED DEMONS WILL COMMENCE!!

THIS DECEMBER 24!  
AT SUN-DOWN!



AND AT JUJUTSU'S SACRED LAND, KYOTO!!



THIS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CRUCIBLE FOR CURSES...  
... SHIN-JUKU IN TOKYO!!



... PUT YOUR LIVES ON THE LINE AND FIGHT!

IF YOU WANT TO AVOID THIS IMPENDING HELL...



OF COURSE, THEY'LL BE ISSUED ORDERS TO MASSACRE.

I WILL RELEASE A THOUSAND CURSES AT EACH LOCATION.











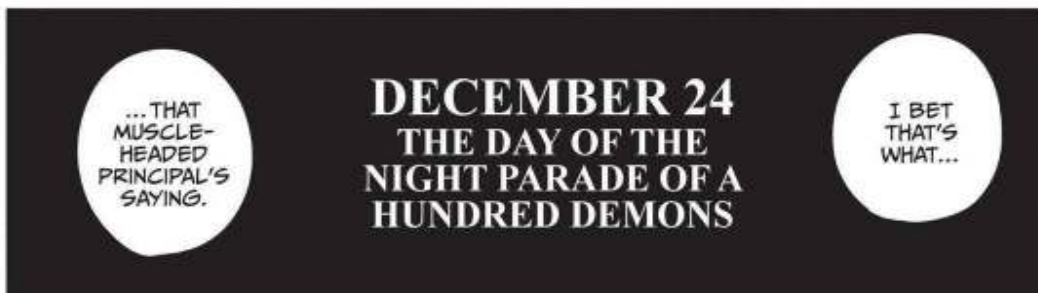




\*A CURSE USER IS A JUJUTSU SORCERER WHO USES JUJUTSU FOR KILLING AND MALICIOUS DEEDS.

















...LET THE  
NEW AGE  
BEGIN.

WELL  
THEN...



TONIGHT'S  
TRUE  
OBJEC-  
TIVE...

...IS TO  
ISOLATE  
OKKOTSU.

KRS  
KRS  
KRS



OH  
MAN...



WHAT A  
DRAG.

ALOONE



















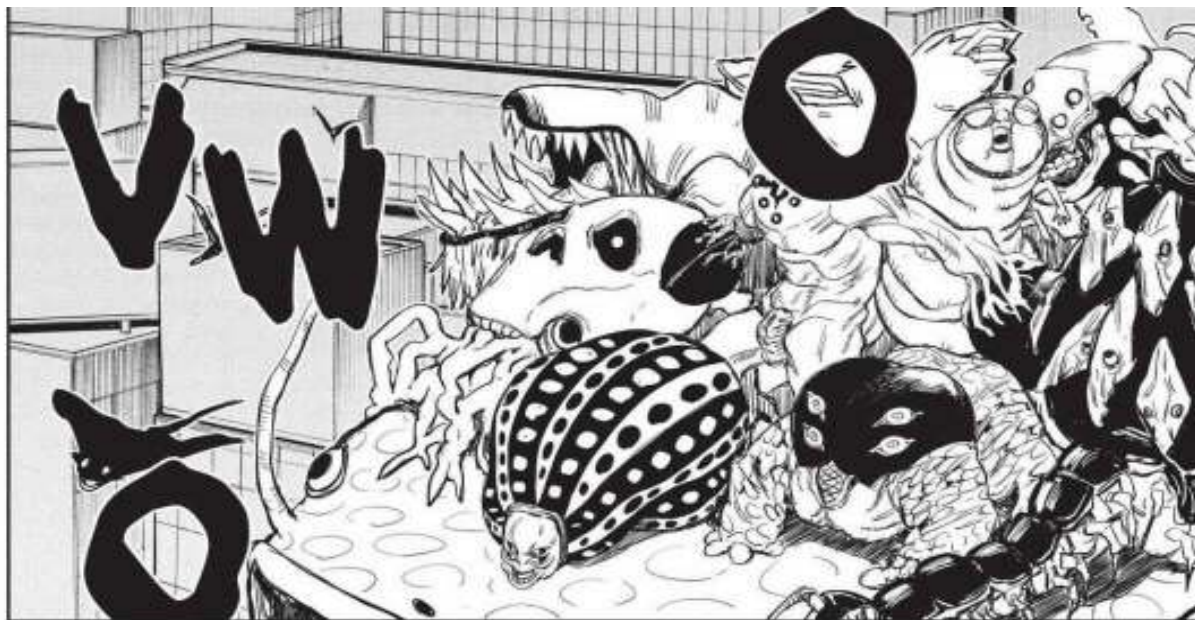


































































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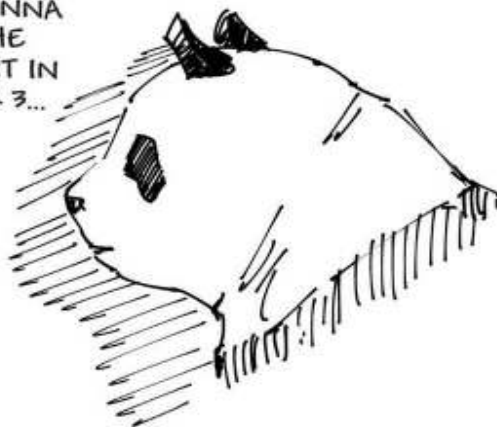


**SPECIAL GRADE VENGEFUL  
CURSED SPIRIT RIKA ORIMOTO  
COMPLETELY MANIFESTED FOR  
THE SECOND TIME.**





I THOUGHT  
I WAS GONNA  
GET THE  
SPOTLIGHT IN  
CHAPTER 3...



SORRY...





**FINAL CHAPTER:  
BRIGHT DARKNESS**

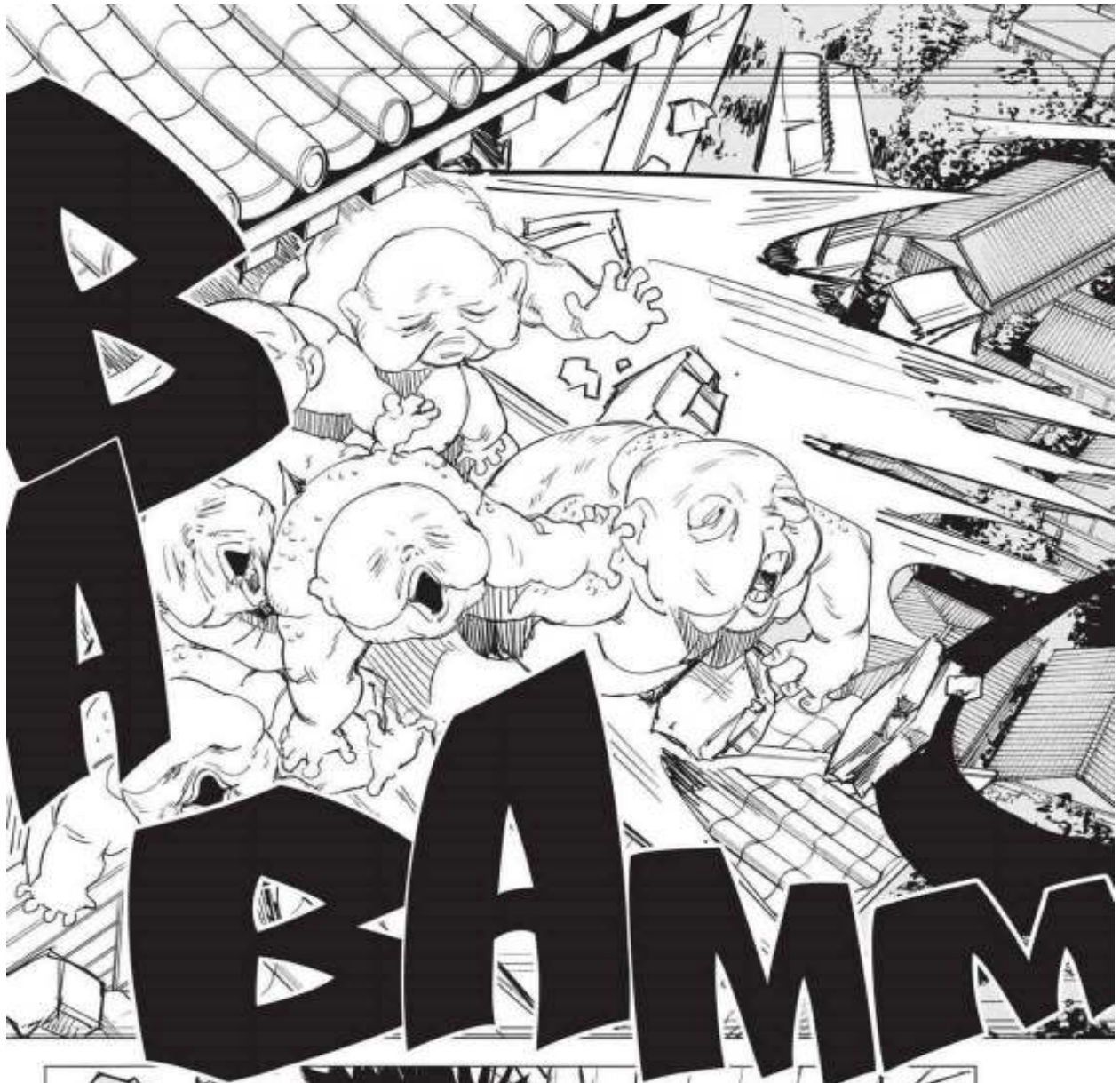






































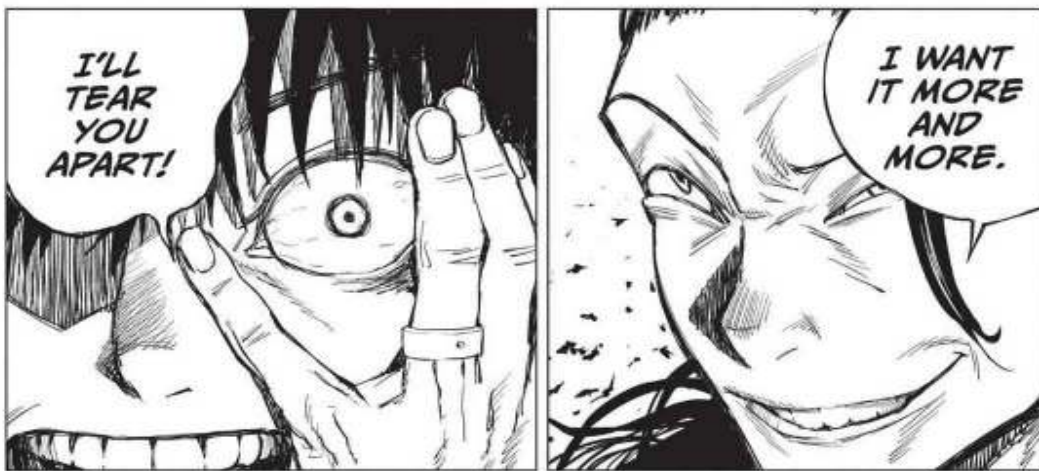




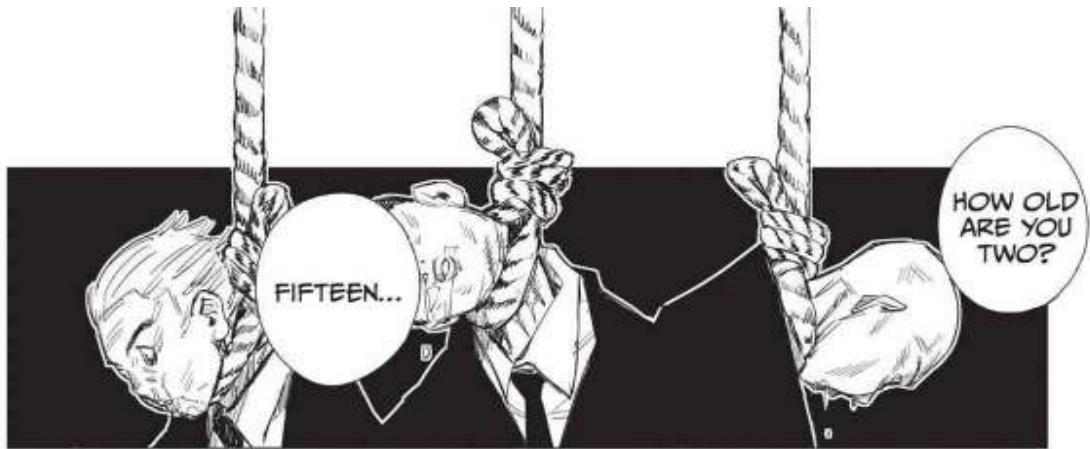
**SHAA**

























HEH

IT'S MESSING WITH MY CURSED, TECHNIQUE.

THAT ROPE... IT'S IMBUED WITH SOME ABNORMAL CURSE.



WH  
A



DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY DECADES IT TOOK MY COUNTRY'S SORCERERS TO MAKE THIS?!

NOT EVEN HALF LEFT...!

FSSHH...



TALKIN' LIKE YOU'RE THE MMA COMEDIAN BOBBY OLOGUN.

WHO CARES?

DO  
PO





THIS IS THE LIMITLESS JUJUTSU GETO WAS TALKING ABOUT.







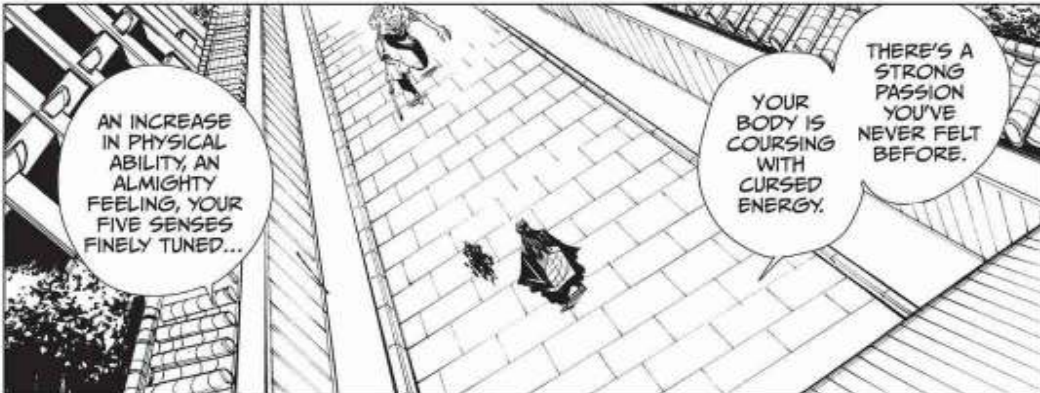
...THOSE EYES!

AND WHAT MAKES IT POSSIBLE ARE...



IF I DIE, I'LL CURSE YOU, GETO!

TEN MINUTES UNTIL I REACH MY QUOTA!



AN INCREASE IN PHYSICAL ABILITY, AN ALMIGHTY FEELING, YOUR FIVE SENSES FINELY TUNED...

YOUR BODY IS COURSED WITH CURSED ENERGY.

THERE'S A STRONG PASSION YOU'VE NEVER FELT BEFORE.



SO, THE RIFFRAFF WASN'T ENOUGH FOR YOU.

LOOKS LIKE IT'S UP TO ME TO BEAT YOU GOOD.

SHINK

BLECH!







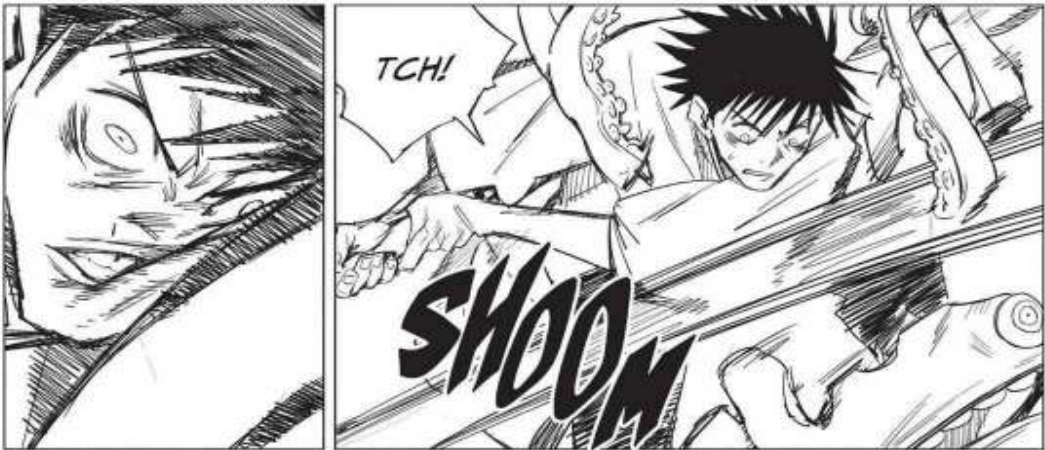






























HEY,  
IT'S NOT  
GOOD...



THE  
VESSEL  
WON'T  
LAST.

DIDN'T  
SATORU  
TEACH YOU  
THAT?



...  
TO IMBUE  
SO MUCH  
CURSED  
ENERGY  
AT ONCE.





























...BEFORE  
YOU  
LEARNED  
HOW TO  
USE RIKA  
PROPERLY.

OKKOTSU.  
IT'S A  
GOOD  
THING I  
CAME TO  
KILL YOU...



YEEE...

RIKA.



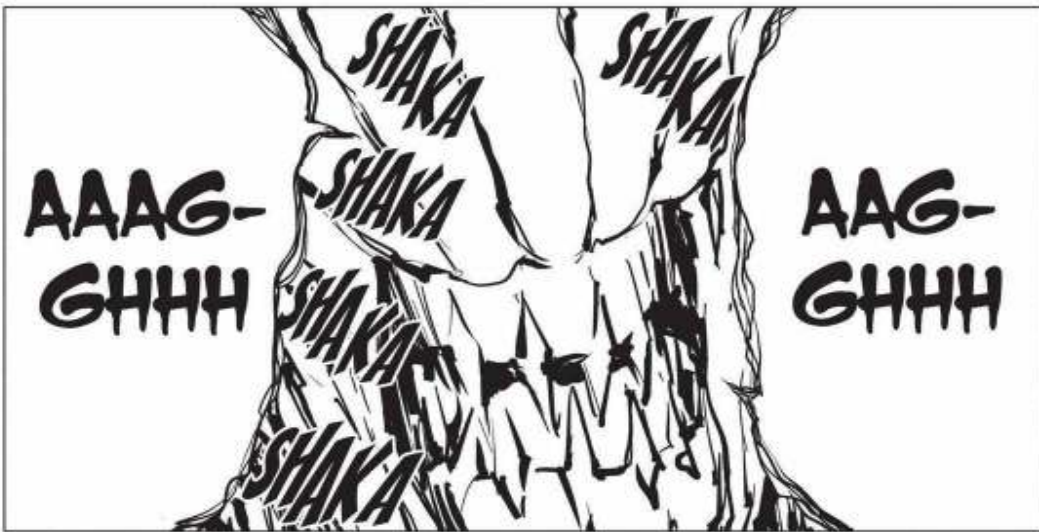
...AH?

SKW  
FEEZ















**W**  
**AAAAAAAA!!**

**YUTA**  
**!!**

**OO**  
**O**

**... MUCH !!!**

**I LOVE YOU**  
**SO SO SO**  
**SO SO SO**  
**SO SO SO**  
**SO SO**  
**...**

**DUN DUN DUN DUN DUN**





HOW RUDE.



SO THAT'S HOW IT'S GONNA BE!

SACRIFICING HIMSELF TO SURPASS THE LIMIT OF CURSED ENERGY!

YOU WOMANIZER!!

THWUMP



THIS IS PURE LOVE.



THEN THIS IS JUSTICE.







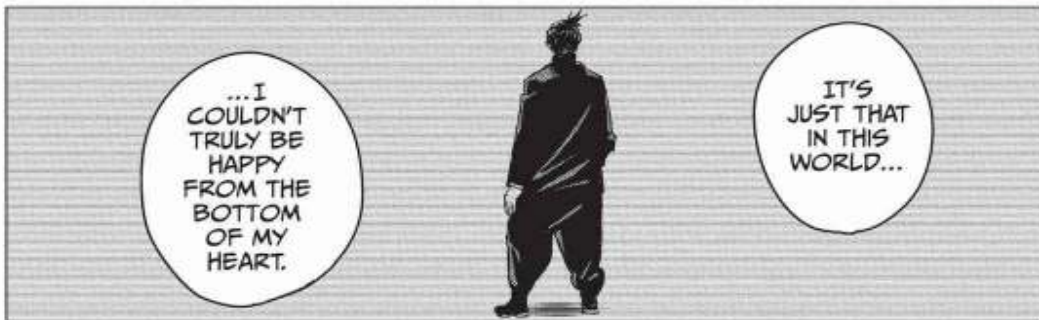






























IT MAY BE SUPER DISTANT, BUT WE'RE RELATIVES!

APPARENTLY, YOU'RE A DESCENDANT OF MICHIZANE SUGAWARA.

YAY YAY

SUGA-



...SO I LOOKED INTO HIS LINEAGE.

I THOUGHT YUTA'S THEORY WAS INTERESTING...



AND WE FOUND OUT...

BUT YUTA'S WAS QUITE THE SEARCH.

RIKA'S WAS COMPLETED A LONG TIME AGO.



A BIG SHOT JUJUTSU SORCERER.

TUNA.

ONE OF JAPAN'S BIG THREE VENGEFUL SPIRITS.

WHO?



YOU CURSED RIKA.

RIKA ISN'T CURSING YOU.



YUTA, YOU'RE RIGHT.





...I REFUSED TO LET RIKA DIE.

OH, RIGHT. THAT TIME...





...EVERY-ONE NEARLY DIED.

BECAUSE GETO WAS AFTER ME...

TURNING RIKA INTO A CURSE.

HURTING SO MANY PEOPLE.

IT'S ALL MY FAULT.

ALL MY...!!

IT'S ALL MY...

THANK YOU.

YUTA.

... THAN WHEN I WAS ALIVE.

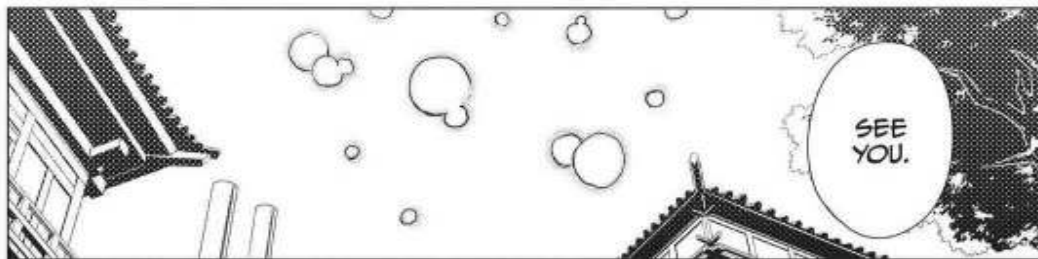
I'VE BEEN HAPPIER THESE PAST SIX YEARS...

FOR LETTING ME BE BY YOUR SIDE.

FOR GIVING ME TIME.













## POSTSCRIPT (?)

- Truth be told, by the time volume 0's four chapters were finished for the monthly magazine, I had no intention of trying to get *Tujutsu Kaisen* serialized in *Weekly Shonen Jump*. Thankfully, the content of volume 0 was well received, so it was more convenient to get something serialized that was already made. Also, I was told that when volume 0 would be made into graphic novel format, it could be featured as a prelude to the *Weekly Shonen Jump* series and be read by a lot more people. So, I figured, "Why not?! Let's do this!" And thus, *Tujutsu Kaisen* was born!
- When I explain it like this, I make it sound as though I forced *Tujutsu Kaisen* to start, but that's not true!
- When I start a manga series, I don't really have a "theme" (principles?) in mind. I begin by thinking about things like, "These twists would be interesting" or "These characters might be cool" or "This scene would be amazing." I think in general terms when coming up with a story. (Doing it this way, I end up with a theme regardless...) For this reason, the numerous ideas I've had that didn't make the cut for other manga are being funneled into *Tujutsu Kaisen*! I'm having a blast!!
- I've already decided on the final chapter's content as well as several things that will happen along the way. However, I still don't know how the dots will connect. I hope everything will turn out okay... But will I be able to finish it...?
- To those who've read my work and support me (fan mail gives me strength), thank you for everything! I'll do my best not to let you down!

Gege Akutami



I DID WELL!

GOOD JOB, ME!

THOSE WHO'VE READ VOLUMES 1 AND 2 MIGHT HAVE NOTICED THAT THE MVP OF THE NIGHT PARADE OF A HUNDRED DEMONS IS MIGUEL.



SHORTLY THEREAFTER, MIGUEL WAS THRUST INTO A LIFE OF DIFFICULTY...





