

THE PET STORIES, VOLUME 2: WANWAN'S PLOT



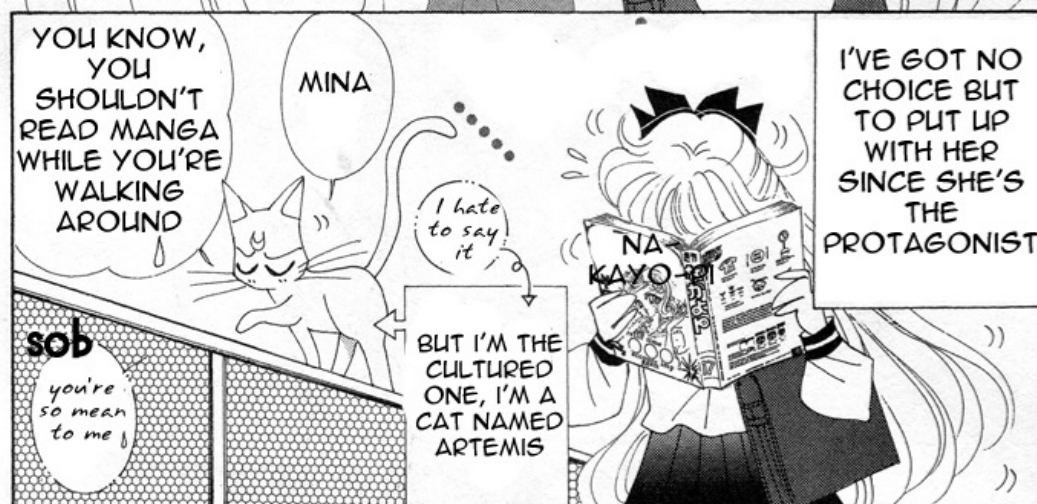
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*NOTE: THIS IS A REFERENCE TO MINA BEING BAD AT WRITING CHINESE CHARACTERS, CALED "KANJI"

*NOTE: THIS IS A PUN ON THE MANGA MAGAZINE SERIAL, "NAKAYOSHI", WHERE TAKEUCHI NAKO AND MARIE KOIZUMI, HAD SOME OF THEIR JOINT PROJECT WORK PUBLISHED. TITLES THE TWO HAVE WORKED ON TOGETHER INCLUDE "MERMAID PANIC" AND "ATASHI NO WAGAMAMA WO KIITE".

*NOTE: THIS IS PROBABLY A REFERENCE TO MARIE KOIZUMI, ANOTHER FAMOUS MANGA AUTHOR WITH WHOM TAKEUCHI NAKO DID SEVERAL MANGA COLLABORATIONS. TAKEUCHI NAKO WORKED AS MARIE KOIZUMI'S COPY ASSISTANT FOR YEARS BEFORE SHE BECAME A MANGA AUTHOR IN HER OWN RIGHT.

WHEN SHE'S IN TROUBLE, SHE'S SAVED BY SWALLOWTAIL KAMEN. HE'S SO COOL! HE LOOKS JUST LIKE ACE!"

another manga idol great

SIGH

LATELY MY IDOL ACE HAS BEEN APPEARING IN A NUMBER OF TV COMMERCIALS AND DRAMA SERIES!

DON'T YOU KNOW? IT'S A SUPER HIT MANGA SERIES!

IT'S AN ACTION LOVE COMEDY STARRING THE SUPERMODEL LINDA EVANGELIGELI!

screeeeech

KYAAAAAA

WHENEVER IT GETS TO THE GOOD PART, THERE'S ALWAYS THIS "TO BE CONTINUED" CRAP!!

OHhh, NOT AGAIN!

MOON POWER TRANSFORM!!

I'M ON IT! TRANSFORM!!

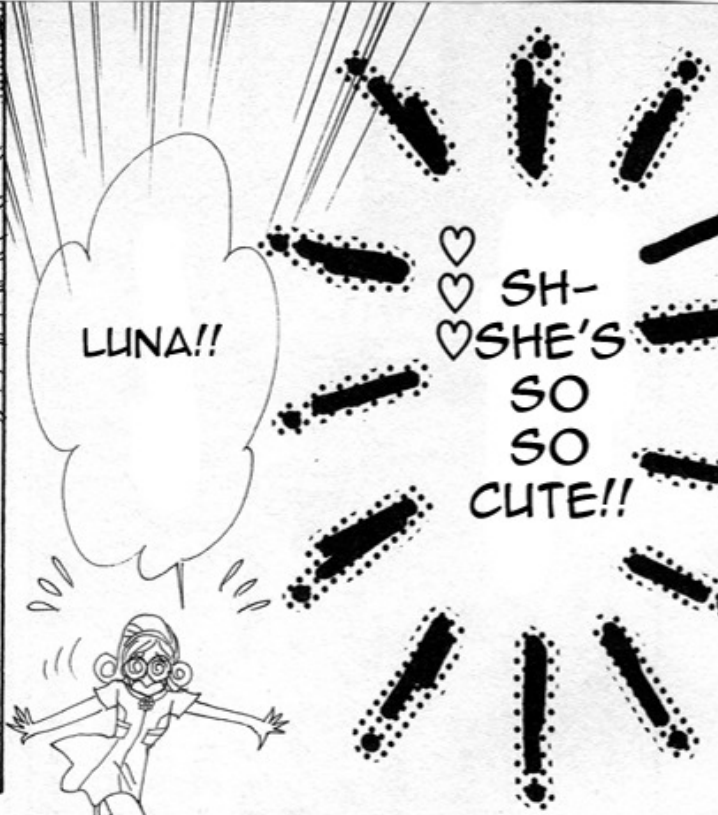
I'LL BE THERE IN A FLASH!

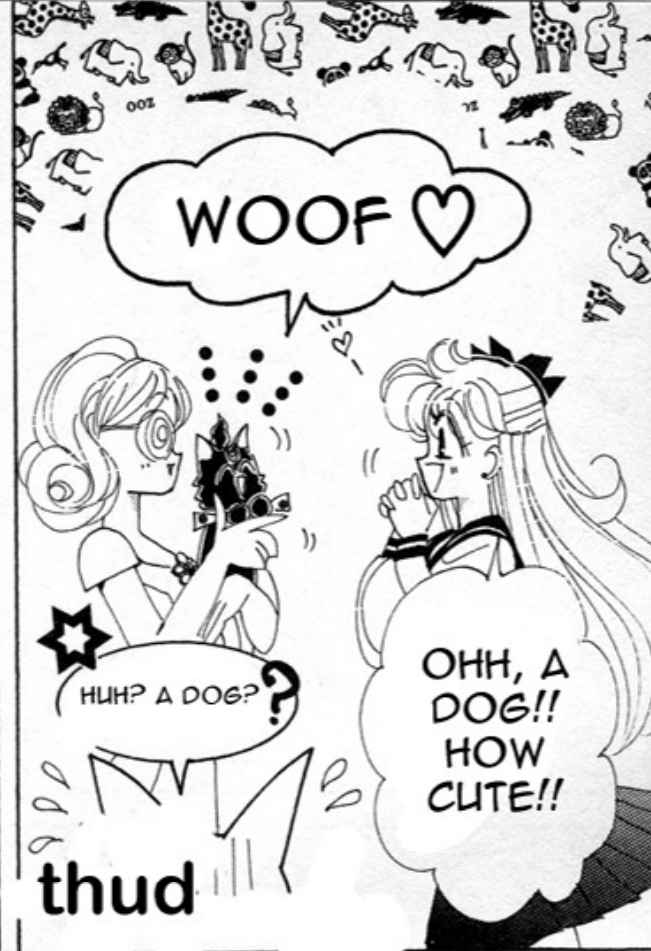
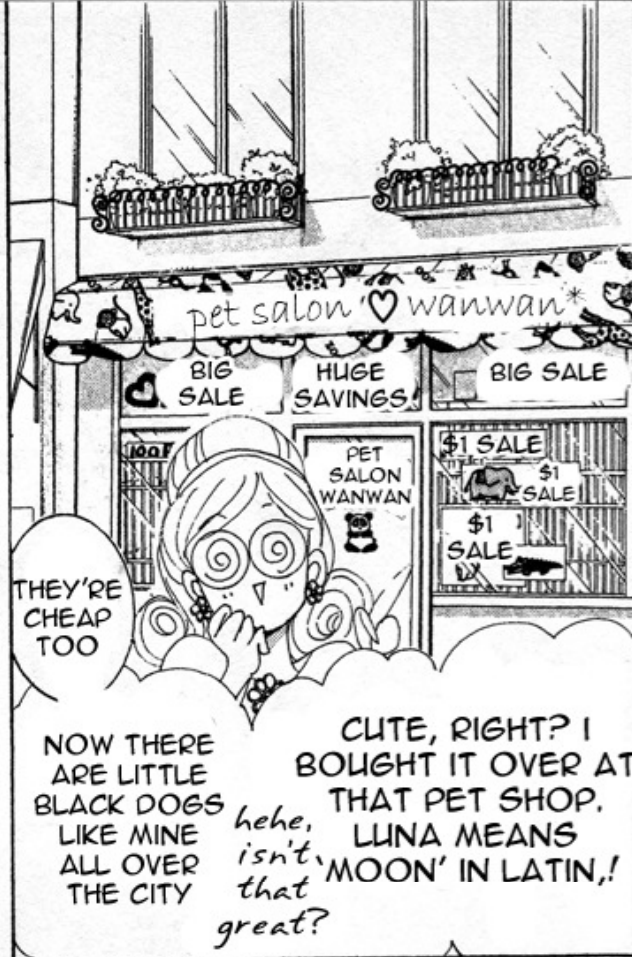
AN INCIDENT?!

HUH? SOMEONE'S SCREAMING?!

nakagyoop









*NOTE: HIS NAME LITERALLY MEANS
"MATCHMAKING BRIDEGROOM" 127

IS THIS
YOUR
HOUSE,
TEACHER?!

WOW,
WHAT A
HUGE
POOL!!

where
are we?

YOU'VE GOTTA
WRITE 50
PAGES
TONIGHT!!

TEACHER*
MARIE! YOUR
DEADLINE IS
TOMORROW!!

slam

where's
your
manuscript

we'll
miss the
deadline

- ① school teacher
- ② graduate professor
- ③ teaches a very specialized subject

just to get in
we had to
walk for 30
minutes after
going through
to the gate

I WONDER
WHAT KIND
OF
TEACHER
SHE IS TO
LIVE IN A
HOUSE THIS
BIG!

GASP

WOW

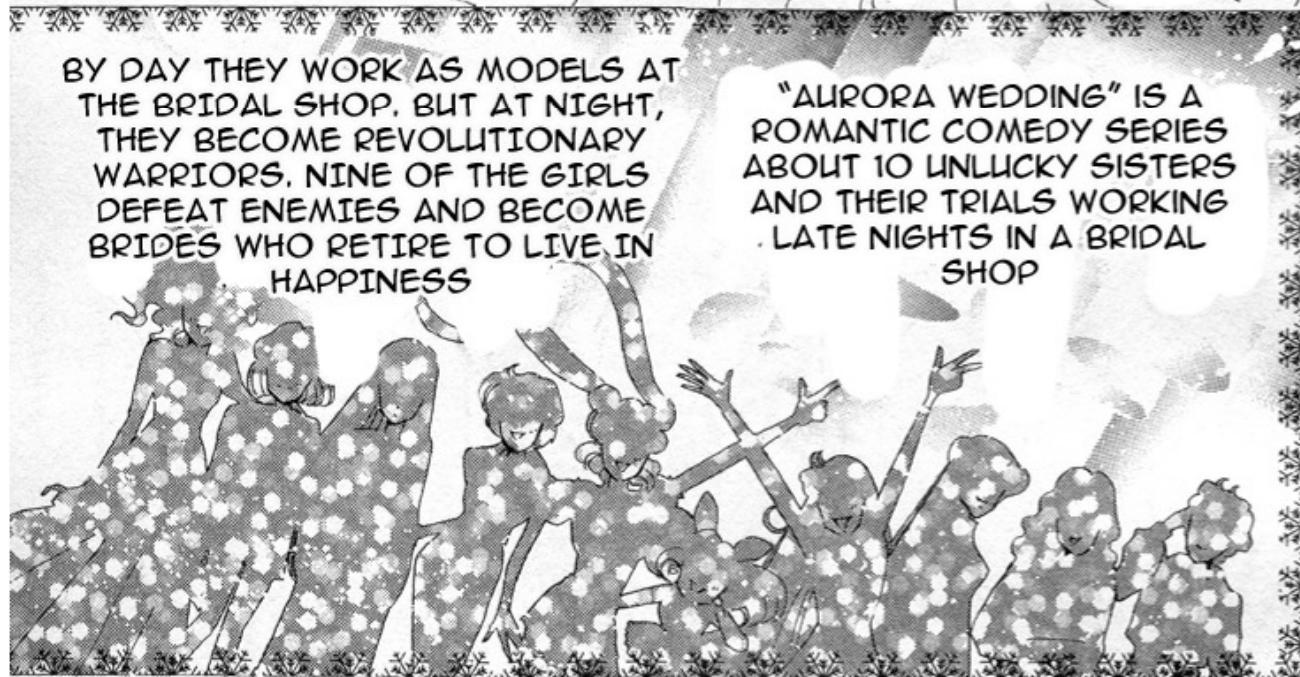
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HUH? THIS
DRAWING...NO
WAY, IS THIS
LADY REALY
TEACHER MARIE?!

WOW, THIS
and PLACE IS TEN
even TIMES
bigger! MESSIER
THAN MINA'S
ROOM!

clutter

clutter



TWEET
CHIRP CHIRP



TEACHER YOU MUST GO OVER THIS AGAIN IN PEN, IT ISN'T COPYING WELL ENOUGH

YEAH, I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE SERIES WITHOUT A BREAK SINCE I WAS IN 8TH GRADE (AND I'M 20 YEARS OLD NOW)

WOW, THERE ARE ALREADY 108 VOLUMES OF THE COMIC?!
amazing!

AUR

AURORA WEDDING

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scribble scribble scribble scribble

MINAKO, THANK YOU SO MUCH! I GOT THE COPY WORK DONE THANKS TO YOUR WORK. HERE'S YOUR ASSISTANT'S PAY ENVELOPE!

oh wow cool!

BEING AN ASSISTANT TO A MANGA ARTIST IS A REALLY HARD JOB

seriously

ack

TEACHER! GOOD WORK! GO AHEAD AND TAKE A BREAK. I'LL BE BACK TOMORROW AS SCHEDULED!

dashing towards success

PEOPLE CAN MAKE THIS MUCH MONEY IN A NIGHT?!

WHAT?! A HUGE STACK OF BILLS?!

BANG

I CAN'T BELIEVE I RECEIVED ANYTHING LIKE THIS

tee hee

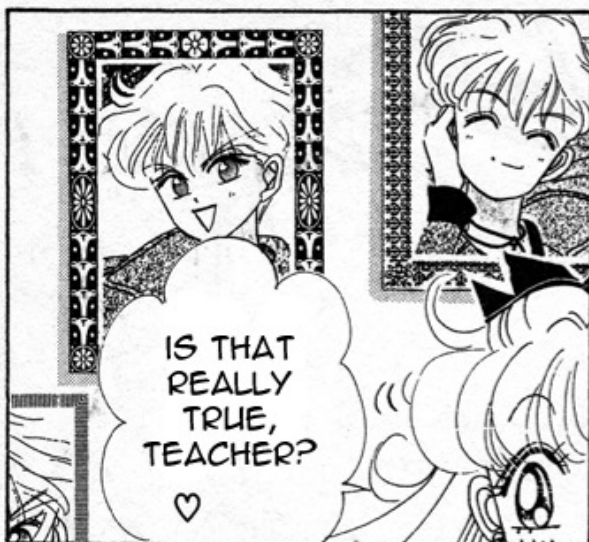
POP

this is heavy

WOW, ASSISTANT'S PAY HUH? (LUCKY)

ASSISTANT'S PAY AINO MINAKO





ba-dum

ding dong



WHAT GOES INTO MAKING A MANGA

First is the plot: the draft of the draft of the draft. Next is the names: the draft of the draft. Then the draft. Then the inking. Then the tone and the finishing touches

WOW, ALL THAT STUFF HAS TO HAPPEN?

SHE FINISHED HER COPY DEADLINE BUT SHE'S GOT ANOTHER THIS WEEK

there are always more deadlines

MAKING MANGA REALLY IS ARDUOUS AND YOU READ IT ALL IN JUST A NIGHT

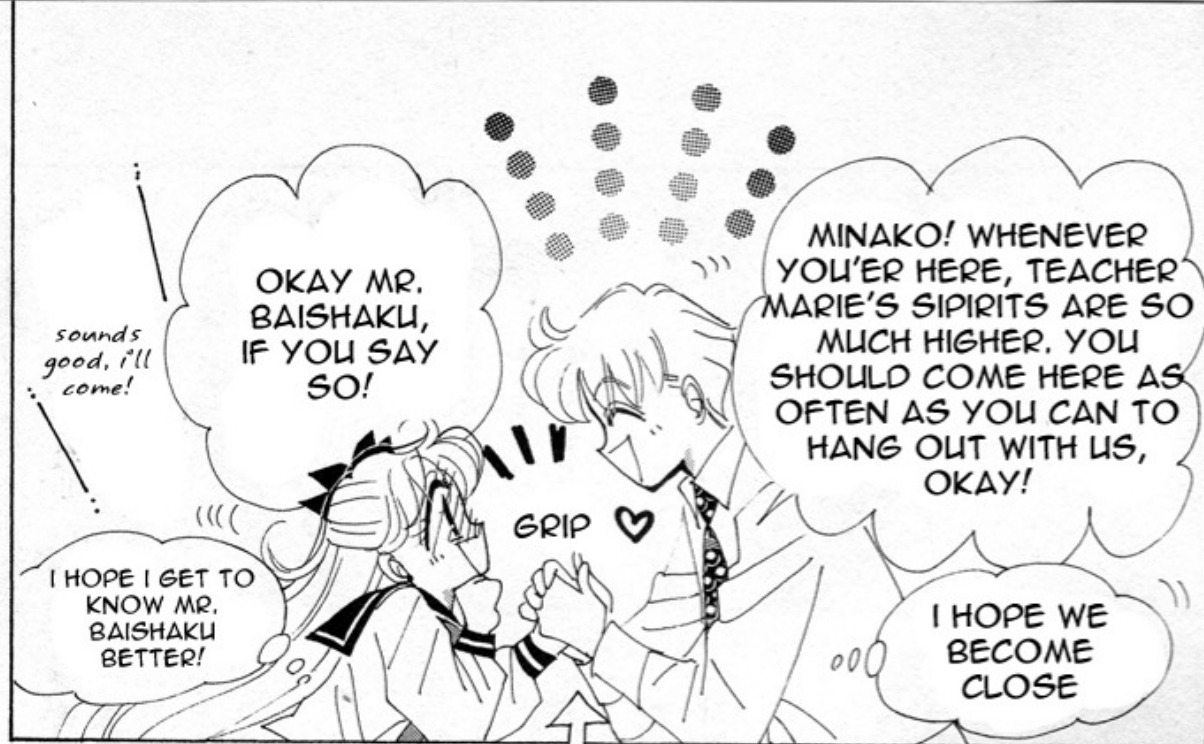
SHE MUST BE IN HER ROOM WORKING ON THE PLOT (BUT SHE DOESN'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME BEFORE ITS DUE)

THE PLOT?

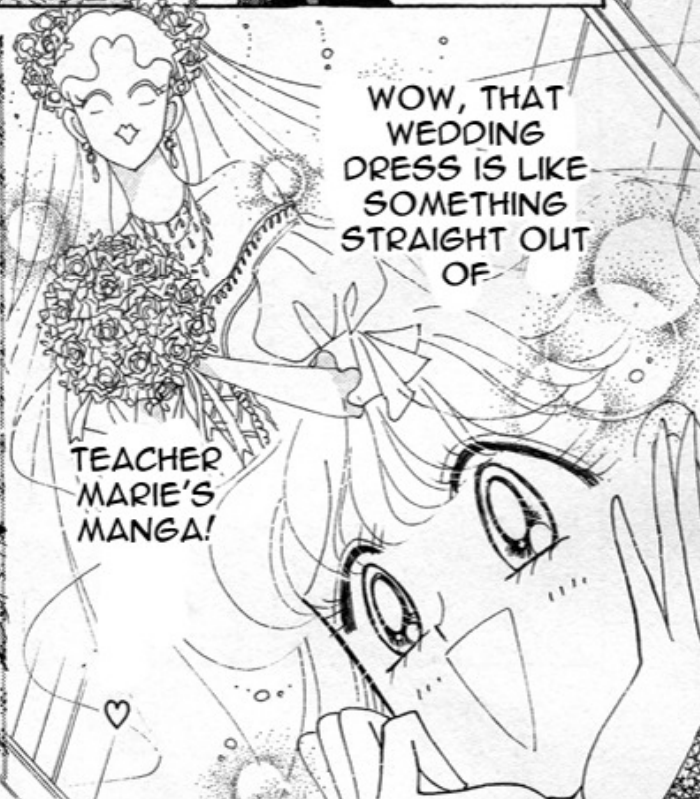
HE LOOKS A LOT LIKE LINDA'S LOVER, SWALLOWTAIL MASK TOO! HEY, WHERE'D TEACHER MARIE GO?!

peek

peek



*NOTE: MERUPARUKU IS A FAMOUS WEDDING VENUE IN TOKYO







tee hee

LIVING IN
A HUGE
MANSION
LIKE THIS



kyaaa

haha

THIS IS
AWESOME,
GETTING TO
READ
MANGA ALL
DAY EVERY
DAY

AHHH
NO WAY



BEING A
MANGA
ARTIST IS
LIKE A
DREAM
COME TRUE

maybe i
should
hurry and
become
one too

AND HAVING A
REALLY CUTE
BOSS COME TO
VISIT YOU AT
YOUR HOUSE
EVERY DAY



scribble
scribble



stare

scribble
scribble





*NOTE: WANWAN IS THE SOUND A DOG MAKES, BUT IT HAS ANOTHER PUN: IT SOUNDS LIKE THE PRONUNCIATION OF "WONG", A COMMON CHINESE SURNAME. SINCE THE ENEMY IS WEARING CHINESE DRESS, THIS IS A DOUBLE PUN

YES,
YOU'VE
DONE A
GREAT
JOB!

MASTER WANWAN*,
YOUR PET SHOP
IDEA WAS A HUGE
SUCCESS! OUR
MINIONS ARE
GATHERING UP
ENERGY ALL OVER
THE PLACE, WOOF!

woof woof
woof
woof

WHAT
THE?!

woof



WHAT?!
NO WAY,
IS THAT
LUNA?!

*i wonder why i
had a crescent
bald spot when
i transformed
into a dog*

COULDN'T STAND
BEING CALLED A
GIRLY NAME LIKE
LUNA WHEN I
TRANSFORM INTO
A DOG, WOOF!

OH
NO!!
MR.
BAISHAKU!!



MINA!
LOOK!





*NOTE: THE SHOGUNATE WERE A RULING CLASS IN JAPAN WHO EFFECTIVELY RAN THE COUNTRY WHILE THE EMPEROR WAS A FIGURE HEAD. IN JAPAN'S TOKUGAWA ERA, THEIR LUXURIOUS LIFESTYLES AND INEFFECTIVE METHODS LED TO INFLUENCE FROM OUTSIDERS, LIKE THE CHINESE AND WESTERNERS. IN THIS SCENE, MINAKO IS DRESSED UP LIKE A SHOGUN TO REPRESENT THE 'TRUE SOUL' OF THE JAPANESE WHO WERE LED ASTRAY BY THE BAD INFLUENCE OF THE CHINESE.

*NOTE: BEHEADING WAS A
TRADITIONAL FORM OF
PUNISHMENT IN FEUDAL JAPAN

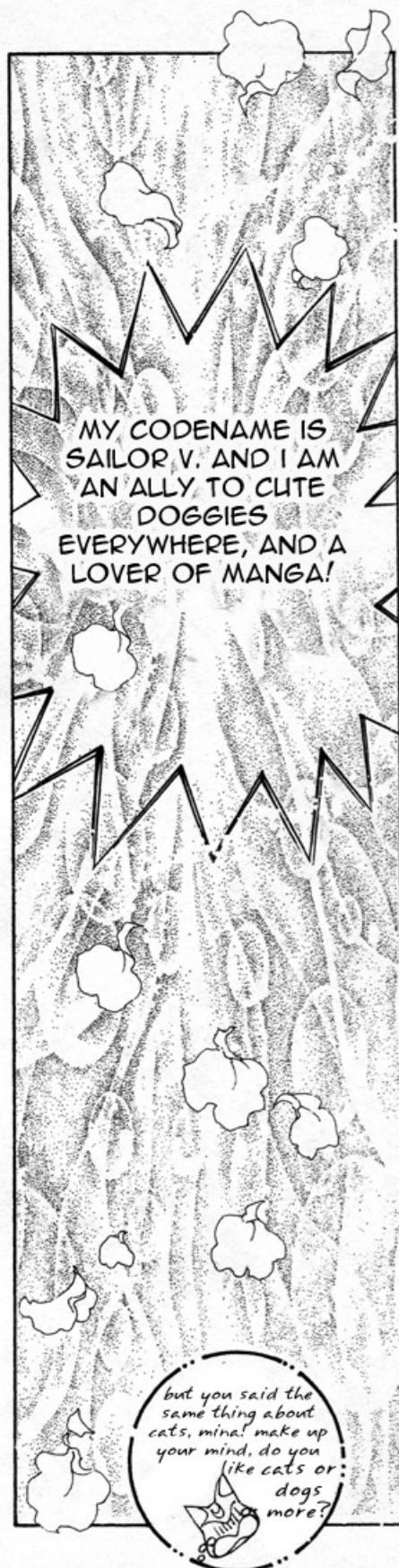
MOON
POWER
TRANSFORM!!

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WH-WHO
THE HELL
ARE YOU?!

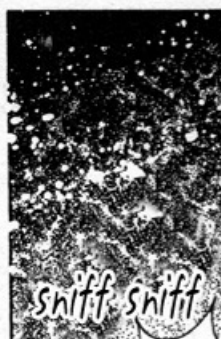
*what are
you doing
here?!*

PEOPLE LIKE YOU LED TO
OUR DESTRUCTION! AND
NOW THIS SHOGUN WILL
PUNISH YOU FOR YOUR
MISDEEDS WITH A
BEHEADING*!



MY CODENAME IS
SAILOR V. AND I AM
AN ALLY TO CUTE
DOGGIES
EVERYWHERE, AND A
LOVER OF MANGA!

but you said the
same thing about
cats, mina! make up
your mind, do you
like cats or
dogs
more?



shift shift

HMPH!

THE SCENT
OF
NYANNYAN
IS ALL OVER
YOU!



shift shift



shift shift



shift shift



shift shift



CONFUCIANISM*
AND THE 'SHOURUI
AWAREMI NO REI*'
MAY EXCUSE YOUR
PITIFUL BEHAVIOR,
BUT I WILL NOT
STAND FOR IT!

*NOTE: CONFUCIANISM STATED THAT EVEN DOGS SHOULD BE TREATED WITH FILIAL PIETY, SINCE THEY OFFER SUPPORT TO HUMANS

*NOTE: THE SHOURUI AWAREMI WAS A LAW ISSUED BY THE SHOGUN TSUNAYOSHI TOKUGAWA. IT FORBODE THE SELLING OF BIRDS AND FISH FOR CONSUMPTION, AND SEVERELY PUNISHED ANYONE WHO ABUSED OR KILLED A DOG. IT WAS BASED ON THE BUDDHIST BELIEF THAT ONE SHOULD DO NO HARM, WHICH MEANT IN EFFECT THAT ONE COULD NOT EAT MEAT OR HARM ANY ANIMALS. FOR CREATING THIS LAW, TSUNAYOSHI TOKUGAWA WAS KNOWN AS THE 'DOG SHOGUN' BECAUSE OF HIS PERSONAL LOVE FOR CANINES.

A black and white illustration of Sailor Venus. She is a young woman with short, wavy hair, wearing a sailor-style uniform with a large bow at the collar and a pleated skirt. She has a confident, slightly smug expression and is making a 'V' hand gesture with her right hand. The background is filled with stylized, jagged starburst shapes and floral motifs.

I A A
HEROINE
STRAIGHT
OUT OF A
COMIC
BOOK!

I AM A
PRETTY
SAILOR
SUITED
SOLDIER OF
JUSTICE!

I WILL MAKE
YOUR
HEART
MELT! I AM
SAILOR
VENUS, A
ROMANTIC,
MOVING
CHARACTER!

MY
NAME
IS
WANWAN!

SAILOR V! YOU
DESTROYED MY CUTE
LITTLE SISTER! AND
FOR THAT, I'M GOING
TO MAKE YOU PAY,
WOOF!

YOUR
MONOLOGUE
IS TOO
LONG!!

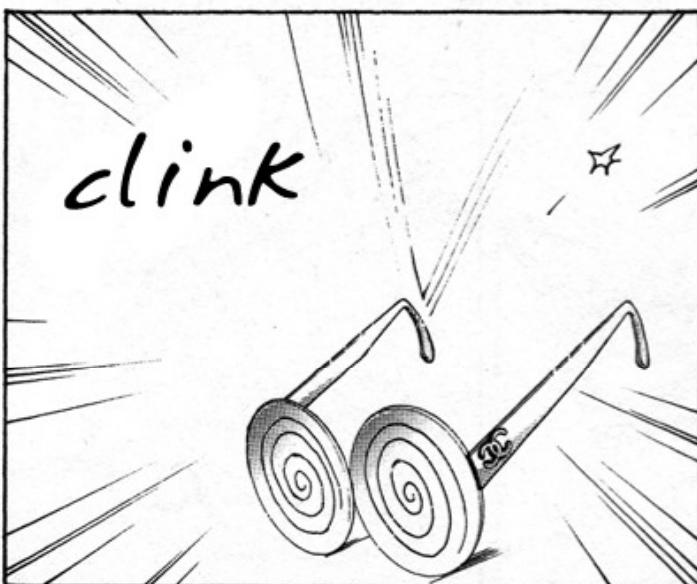
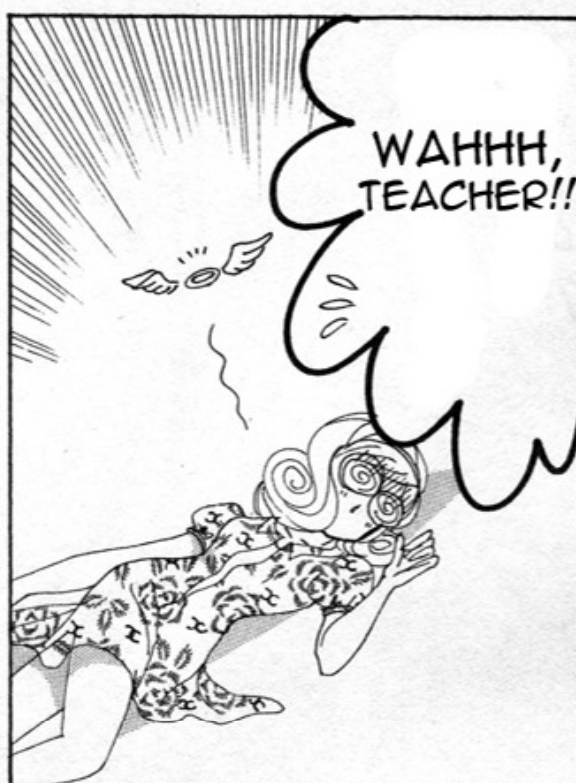


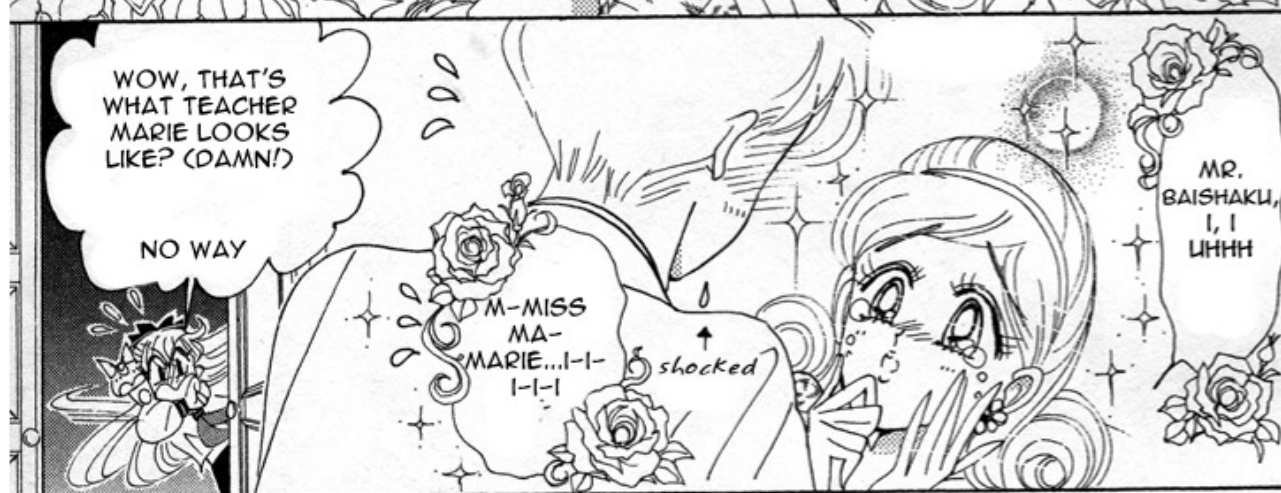
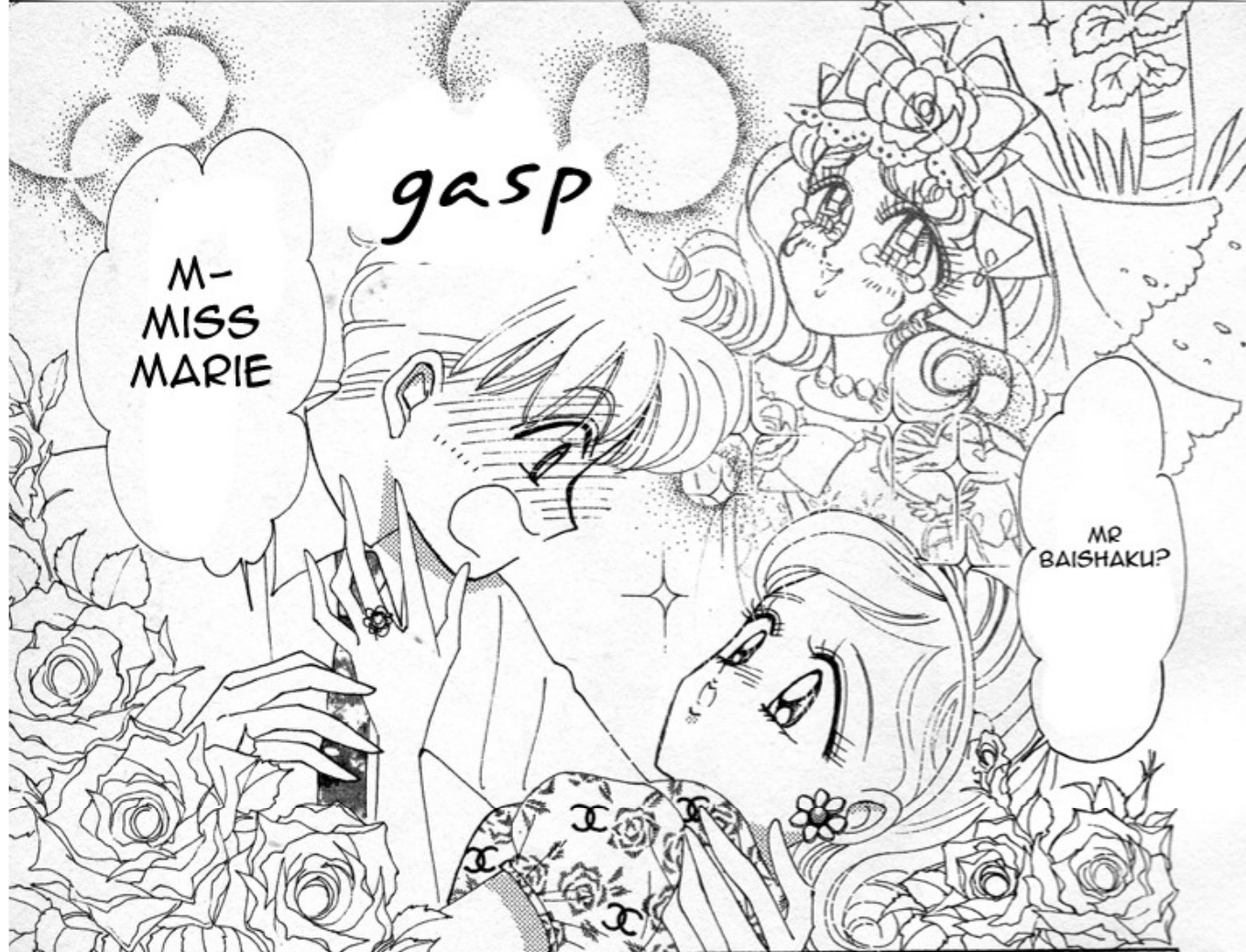


*NOTE: SEPPUKU IS A FORM OF RITUALIZED SUICIDE, IN WHICH A PERSON USES A SWORD TO DISEMBOWEL THEMSELVES. IF THEY FAIL, A PERSON STANDS BEHIND THEM TO CUT OFF THEIR HEAD.

*NOTE: A KATANA IS A SPECIAL KIND OF JAPANESE SWORD, USED BY WARRIORS, ESPECIALLY TO COMMIT SUICIDE







ding dong



AND THE REASON
SWALLOWTAIL MASK
IN THE MANGA
LOOKED LIKE ACE IS
BECAUSE ACE
LOOKS LIKE MR.
BAISHAKU, IT ALL
MAKES SENSE NOW

I HOPE I
CAN FIND
HAPPINESS
LIKE THAT
SOMEDAY
TOO

AT LEAST
SHE GOT
TO FULFILL
HER DREAM
OF
GETTING
MARRIED

I GET IT NOW,
ALL ALONG,
TEACHER
MARIE WAS
IN LOVE WITH
MR.
BAISHAKU

AND SHE
WAS A FAN
OF ACE
BECAUSE HE
LOOKED LIKE
MR.
BAISHAKU

