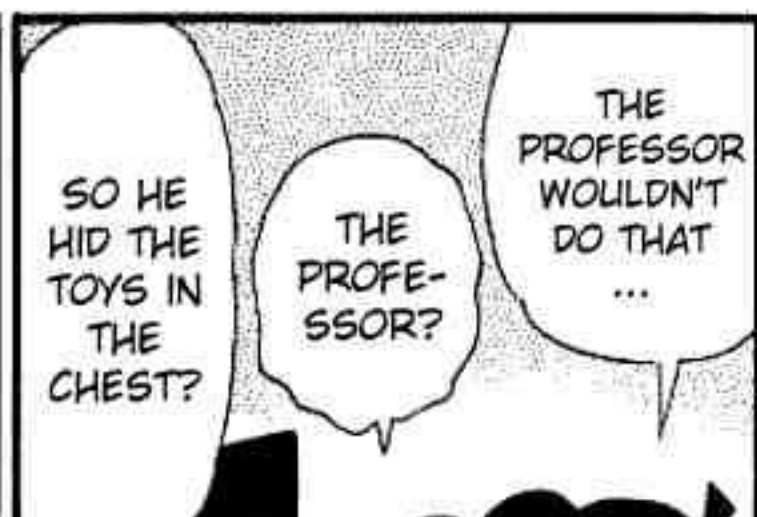


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The Black Sun









OH!
PROFE-
SSOR!

CLAC
ツィ
ツィ



SO THAT
WOULD MEAN
THERE
PROBABLY
IS A REAL
TREASURE HERE
...



IT'S LUCKY
THAT I
BROUGHT
A CELL WITH
ME WHICH
I LEFT IN
THE CAR
...

THEY THINK IT'S
PROBABLY A
BURGLAR. THEY'RE
GOING TO COME
HERE A BIT
LATER.

WHAT
DID THE
POLICE
SAY?



ISN'T IT
CLEAR?
WE'RE GOING
TO TRY
UNDER-
STANDING
THE CODE AND
GET AHOOLD
OF THE
TREASURE
!!

CLANG
ツィ
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HUH?
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?



YES, EVEN
THOUGH
THE CODE IS
INTRIGUING,
WE SHOULD
LEAVE
...

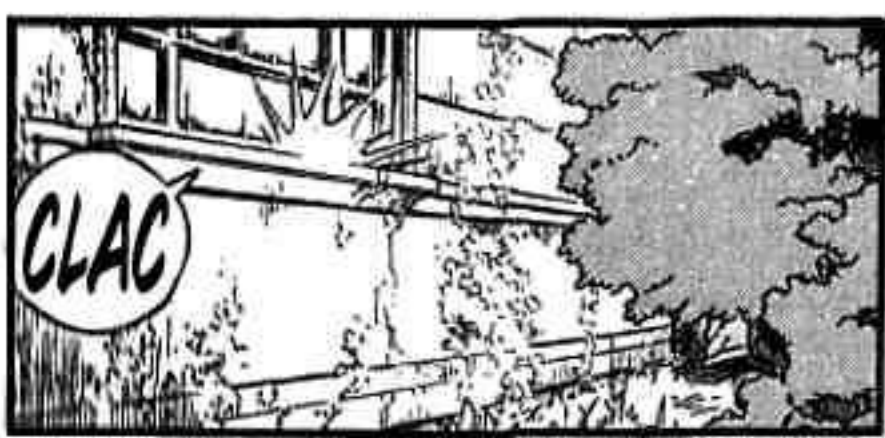
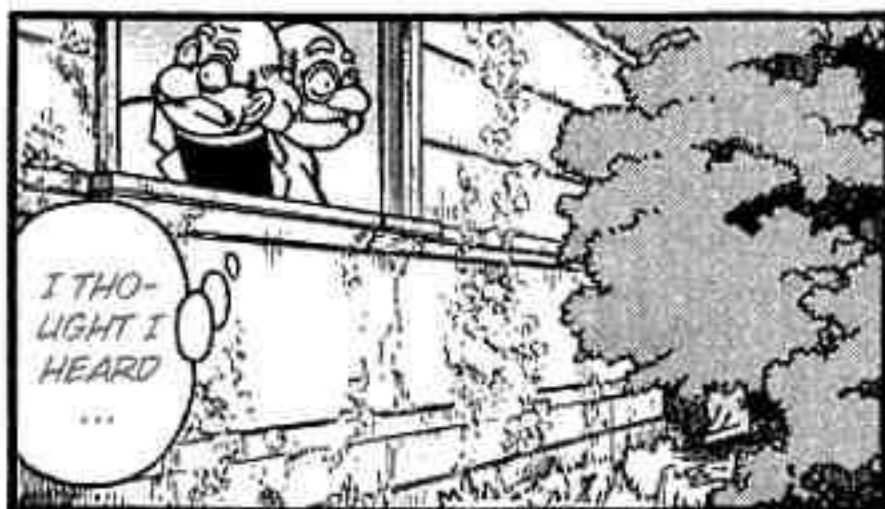
HOWEVER,
WE
SHOULDN'T
TOUCH ANY-
THING AND
LEAVE THE
PREMISES
...



I FOUND
ANOTHER
CODE
ON A
CARD
!!

AH...
CONAN!

YOU IDIOTS, THE
PERSON WHO
CAME HERE
IS PROBABLY
STILL
AROUND
...





Disk
 ☆:☆:☆:~○●☆)

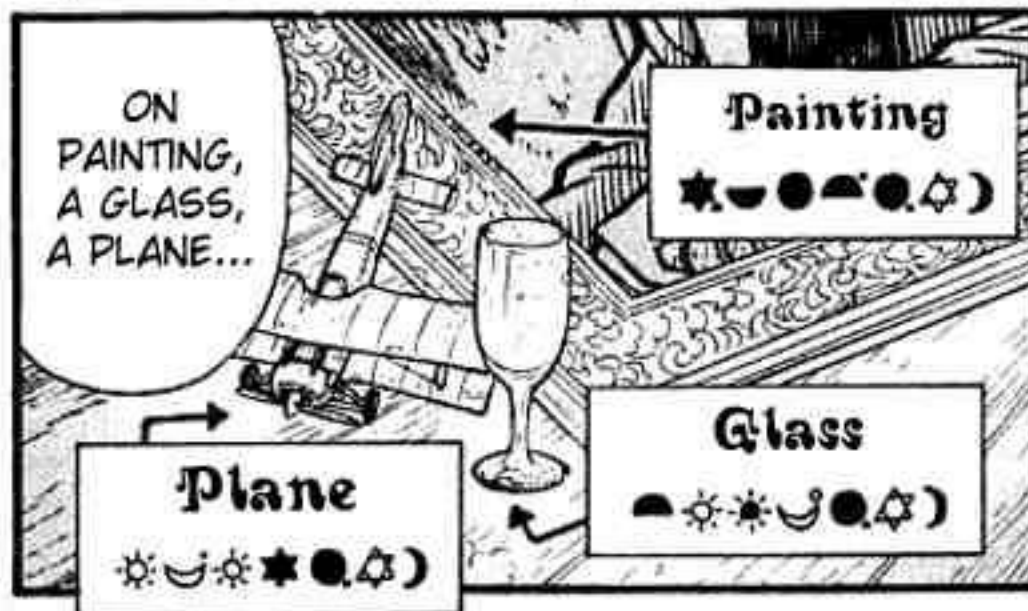
THERE WAS ONE ON A CARD, ON A DICTIONARY, AND A DISK...

French Dictionary
 ☆:☆:~○●☆)

Card
 ~○●☆:☆:☆:~○●☆)



WE FOUND 7 NEW CODES!



ON PAINTING, A GLASS, A PLANE...

Painting
 ☆:~○●☆:~○●☆)

Plane
 ☆:~○●☆:☆:~○●☆)

Glass
 ~○●☆:☆:☆:~○●☆)



ITS CONAN AND ME THAT FOUND ALL OF THEM!

THAT REMINDS ME THAT MY AUNT USED TO SAY THAT MY UNCLE REALLY LIKED LITTLE GADGETS ...

AND ON THIS ROBOT

Robot
 ☆:☆:☆:~○●☆:~○●☆)



A LETTER?

A LETTER ...



WE WOULD NEED SOMETHING LONGER, LIKE A LETTER FOR EXAMPLE ...

YES, BUT THAT DOESN'T HELP US...



Chandelier
 ~○●☆:☆:☆:~○●☆)

BY ADDING THE FIRST THREE MESSAGES FOUND, IT GIVES US TEN IN TOTAL!

Plate
 ☆:☆:☆:~○●☆)

Vase
 ~○●☆:~○●☆:☆:~○●☆)



YOUR AUNT?
THE ONE
ON THE
PAINTING?

I JUST
REMEMBERED
THAT MY AUNT
SHOWED
THEM TO
ME ONCE.

SHE
WAS A
TEACHER
BEFORE,
RIGHT?



I TOLD
YOU THOSE
DRAWINGS
WERE
FAMILIAR!

WHAT?

YES! I
REMEMBER!!
THE LETTERS!
THE LETTER!



MY AUNT TOLD ME
SHE WAS RECEIVING,
EVERY YEAR FOR TEN
YEARS, AN ANONYMOUS
LETTER. SHE GAVE
THEM TO ME BECAUSE
IT WORRIED HER.

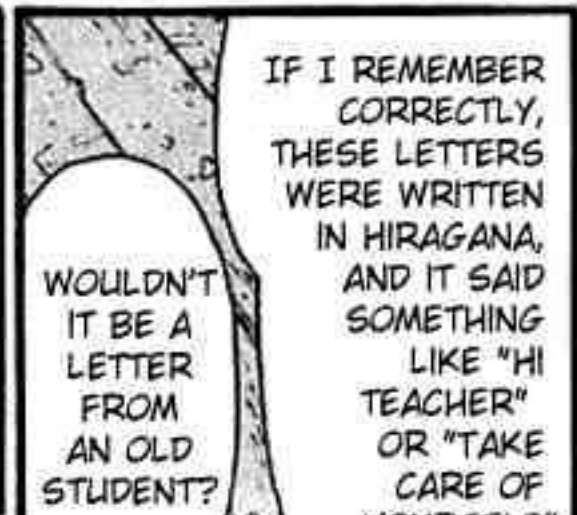
5 OR 6
YEARS
AGO...



WHAT'S THE
LINK WITH THE
LETTERS
AND THE
DRAWINGS
WE FOUND?

HUH?

NO YOU
FOOLS!
THE WRITER
WROTE IN
HIRAGANA
FOR TEN
YEARS!!!



WOULDN'T
IT BE A
LETTER
FROM
AN OLD
STUDENT?

IF I REMEMBER
CORRECTLY,
THESE LETTERS
WERE WRITTEN
IN HIRAGANA,
AND IT SAID
SOMETHING
LIKE "HI
TEACHER"
OR "TAKE
CARE OF
YOURSELF"
...




LIKE A
DECO-
RATION!!

How are you
mistress?
Me, I'm fine.

ON EVERY
LETTER
THERE
WAS THE
DRAWINGS
ON THE
BORDER...


Note: The Japanese language's writing style, on top of having ideograms (that is kanjis), has also two other syllabical alphabets. They are called katakana and hiragana. The hiragana alphabet is the one children learn first because of its simplicity. This allows children, that have not yet learnt different ideograms (kanjis), to write.





THAT THOSE
DRAWINGS
CORRES-
PONDED TO
HIRAGANA!!!

HE
UNDER-
STOOD...



IT WAS TO
SEE THAT THE
DECORATIVE
BORDER MEANT
HIRAGANA TOO!

How are you
mistress?
Me, I'm fine.

YES, IF THE
LETTERS
WERE
WRITTEN
IN HIRA-
GANA...



HIRAGANA?

TO...



NOW THAT I
THINK ABOUT IT,
MY AUNT ALSO
TOLD ME A
STRANGER
CAME OFTEN
LOOK INTO HER
MAILBOX
...

MAYBE HE DIDN'T
WANT SOMEONE
ELSE TO READ
THE MESSAGES.
MAYBE HE THOUGHT
SOMEONE...

WHY
SEND
CODED
MESSA-
GES TO
MY
AUNT?

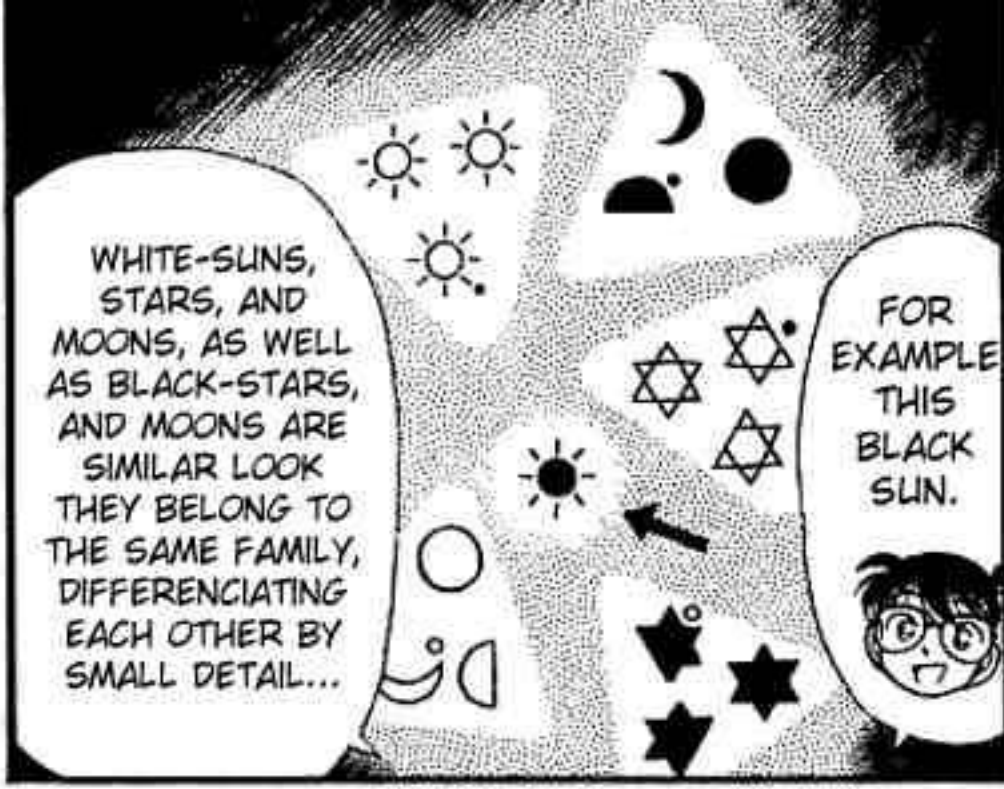
LOGICALLY, YOU
CAN DEDUCE THE
AUTHOR OF THE
LETTERS AND OF
THE BORDERS
WERE THE SAME
PERSON
...

SO...



WEIRD
THINGS ARE
HAPPENING
IN THIS
HOUSE...

CERTAINLY
THE PERSON
WHO CUT UP
THE TOYS...



WHITE-SUNS, STARS, AND MOONS, AS WELL AS BLACK-STARS, AND MOONS ARE SIMILAR LOOK THEY BELONG TO THE SAME FAMILY, DIFFERENTIATING EACH OTHER BY SMALL DETAIL...

FOR EXAMPLE THIS BLACK SUN.



WE WOULD NEED A SOLID CLUE.

KNOWING THAT THE DRAWINGS MEAN HIRAGANA DOESN'T HELP TO DECIPHER THE CODE...



HOWEVER THE BLACK SUN IS ALONE, WHICH SYMBOL IN HIRAGANA HAS NO "GYO" OR "DAN" DERIVATIVE?



YES! THE BLACK SUN DESIGNATES, "N"



THE "N"



THE DOTS ON TOP LEFT, PROBABLY REFERS TO " AND ° IN HIRAGANA.

I CAN'T EXPLAIN THE DOT AT THE BOTTOM RIGHT, BUT...

THERE'S ALSO THE BLACK AND WHITE DOTS NEAR SOME SIGNS.

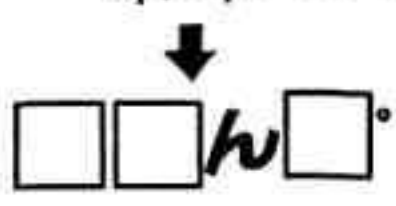
OF COURSE!



IN MY OPINION, IT'S USED TO SEPARATE TWO WORDS. I THINK THE SIGNS APPEAR WHEN A NEW WORD IS MADE.

NEXT YOU SEE EACH MESSAGE ENDS WITH THE SIGNS

●○●●!!



THE FIRST 4 DRAWINGS OF THE MESSAGE WITHOUT THE "SPACING"

FORMS A WORD!

STARTING FROM THERE, WE CAN PROBABLY DECIPHER WHAT'S ON THE GLASS.

THE (SYMBOL WITH WHITE DOT) DESIGNATES ELEMENTS FROM THE COLUMN "HA" SINCE ONLY THOSE ELEMENTS CONTAIN TWO DERIVATIVES.

THIS HYPOTHESIS CAN BE VERIFIED WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE SYMBOL (QUARTER MOON ON BACK) WHICH HAS TWO DERIVATIONS, ONE WITH A BLACK DOT, AND ONE WITH A WHITE ONE.



PASOCAN (7), NIPPON (8), LAMPU (8)

ANPAN (4), MELONPAN (5), KAREPAN (6)...

PANTY (1), HAIRPIN (2), PELKAN (3)...

A WORD IN FOUR SYLLABLES WHICH HAS AN "N" AND AN ELEMENT FROM THE COLUMN "HA"...

7-Computer, 8-Japan, 9-Lamp

4-Red Bean Bread, 5-Melon Bread, 6-Gurry Bread

1- Panties, 2- Hair Pin, 3- Pelican

SO...

IT PROBABLY SAYS TORANPU, SO TRUMP!

TRUMP! (10)

"TO.RA.N.PU." (10)

TO...

SO-), DESIGNATES "RO"; THAT MEANS, THE COMPLETE PHRASE WOULD BE READ "PUROPERA...RO"

"PUROPERA__RO"

IT'S PUROPERA! (11)

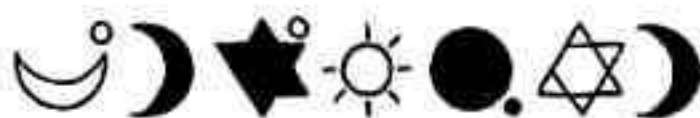
11- Propeller

PU...

ON THE CHANDELIER IT'S DRAWN SO WE HAVE PU..._..RA...

PU. RO. PER. RA...

LOOK AT PROPELLER!!!



PUOPERA [WO] [MI] RO

LOOK AT PROPELLER

1. Look At

RO... "MIRO"! (1)



THIS ONE!

"A BURAE WO MIRO", MEANING, LOOK AT THE PAINTING!



THE MESSAGE IS-



IF YOU BASE YOURSELF THAT THE BLACK DOT ON THE TOP LEFT DESIGNATES ["], YOU HAVE TO READ "[] BURAE [] WOMIRO" ...

YES, ON THE PROPELLER THERE WAS A MESSAGE WRITTEN TOO!



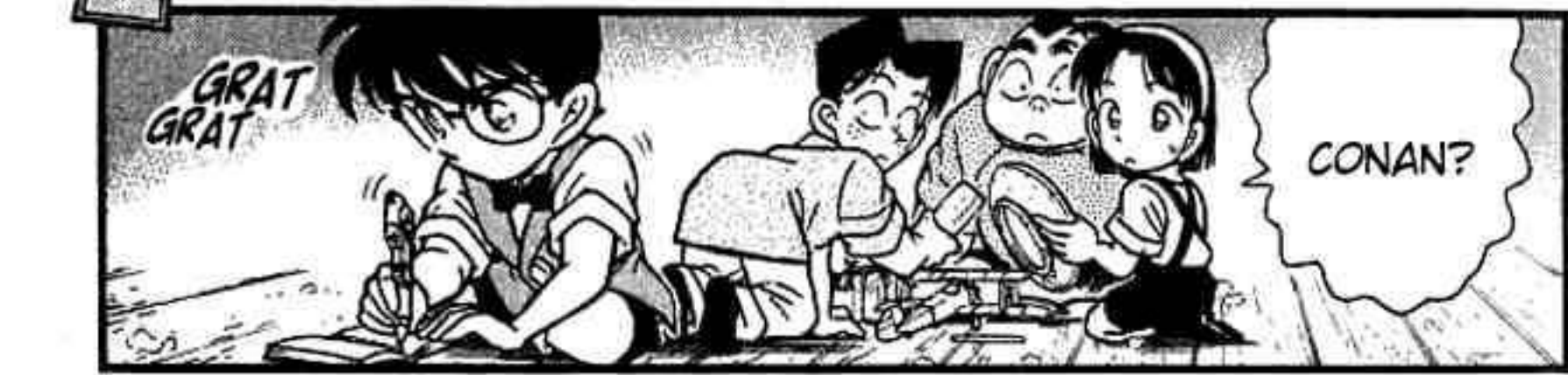
ALL THOSE MESSAGES HAVE THE SAME STRUCTURE: A NAME OF AN OBJECT IN THE HOUSE FOLLOWED BY THE VERB "LOOK"!

I UNDERSTAND...



SOMEWHERE WHICH IS IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO USE A CODE TO FIND IT!

SO... BY FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS, IT SHOULD BRING US SOMEWHERE.



IT'S THE GRID THAT WILL DECIPHER THE CODE!!

	WA ☀	RA ☀	YA ☀	MA ☀	HA ☀	NA ☀	TA ☀	SA ☀	KA ☀	A ☀
		RI ⬠		MI ⬠	HI ⬠	NI ⬠	CHI ⬠	SHI ⬠	KI ⬠	I ⬠
		RU ☾	YU ☾	MU ☾	FU ☾	NU D	TSU D	SU D	KU D	U O
		RE ★		ME ★	HE ★	NE ★	TE ★	SE ★	KE ★	E ★
N ☀	WO ●	RO ☾	YO ☾	MO ☾	HO ☾	NO D	TO D	SO D	KO D	O ●

SO YOU CAN SEE THAT EACH ELEMENT IS DERIVED HORIZONTALLY!

LIKE WE SAW, ☀ DESIGNATES THE CULM WITH SYLLABLES IN "A", ⬠ DESIGNATES SYLLABLES IN "I", O DESIGNATES "U" AND ★ DESIGNATES "O"!

COOL!

AND IF WE DECIPHER THOSE MESSAGES AND PUT THEM NEXT TO EACH OTHER...

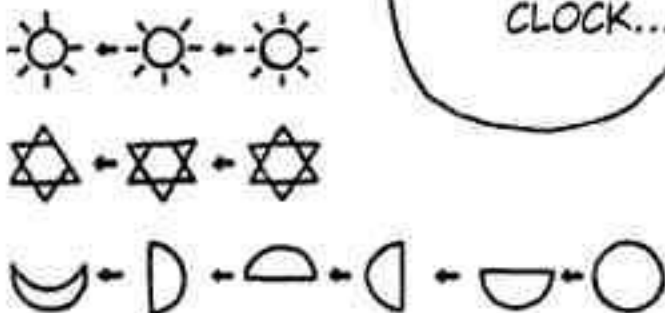
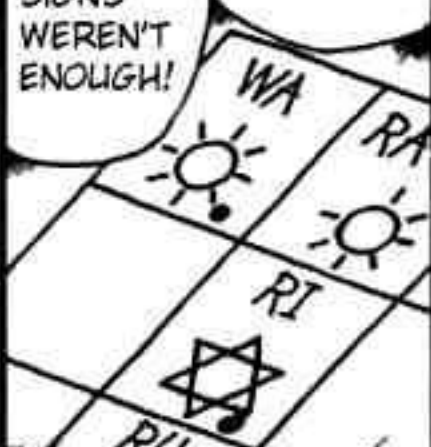
OH, YES, I SEE ...

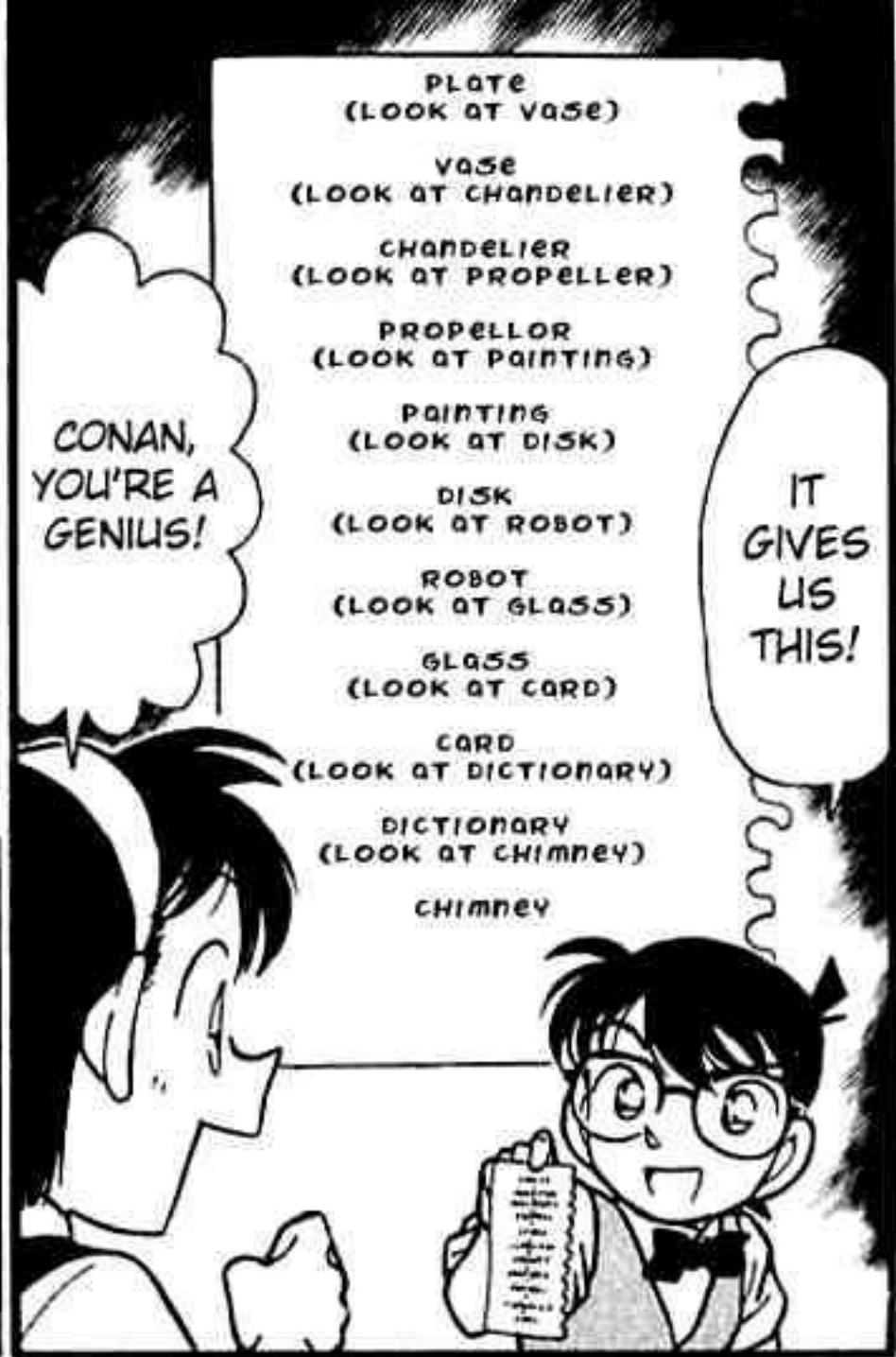
IT WAS ADDED BECAUSE, THE DERIVATIONS OF THE SIGNS WEREN'T ENOUGH!

AS FOR THE BLACK DOT AT THE BOTTOM LEFT...

○ ● DISAPPEAR IN THE SAME WAY...

FOR EXAMPLE, FOR THE SUNS, ☀ ⬠ ★ ONE PART IS REMOVED EACH TIME, AND IN THE MOTION OF A CLOCK...







IT'S A
BAD
JOKE...

WE'RE
GETTING OUR
LEG PULLED
SINCE THE
START...

OH
NO...

THAT
WOULD
MEAN WE
GO BACK
TO WHERE
WE
STARTED?



THE PLATE?
BUT IT'S
AT THE
BEGINNING OF
THE LIST!

"LOOK AT
PLATE"...



HOWEVER,
IF WE
FOLLOW
THE
INSTRUC-
TIONS...

IT'S NO
BAD
JOKE!



UNLESS
THERE'S AN
ERROR IN
THIS GRID?!

