

**FILE 8:
A WOMAN THAT
KNEW TOO MUCH**







KENTO...

HUH?

I'D RATHER SUPPORT A CRIMINAL HYPOTHESIS.



OF COURSE, THE CULPRIT ACTED SURPRISED AND RAN OVER HERE AFTER HEARING THE EXPLOSION...

THE MURDERER COULD'VE ACTED IN THE GARAGE...



SOMEONE COULD'VE JUST GIVEN HIM SLEEPING PILLS OR KILLED HIM BEFORE PUTTING HIM IN THE CAR...

THE CAR WENT VERY SLOWLY...

IT WOULD SUFFICE TO START THE CAR AT A CERTAIN SPEED AND THEN IT'LL GO BY ITSELF...



DON'T HURRY SO MUCH...

EH?

BUT THE CAR SUDDENLY ACCELERATED...



YES, MOST LIKELY ...

SO THE CULPRIT IS ONE OF US?

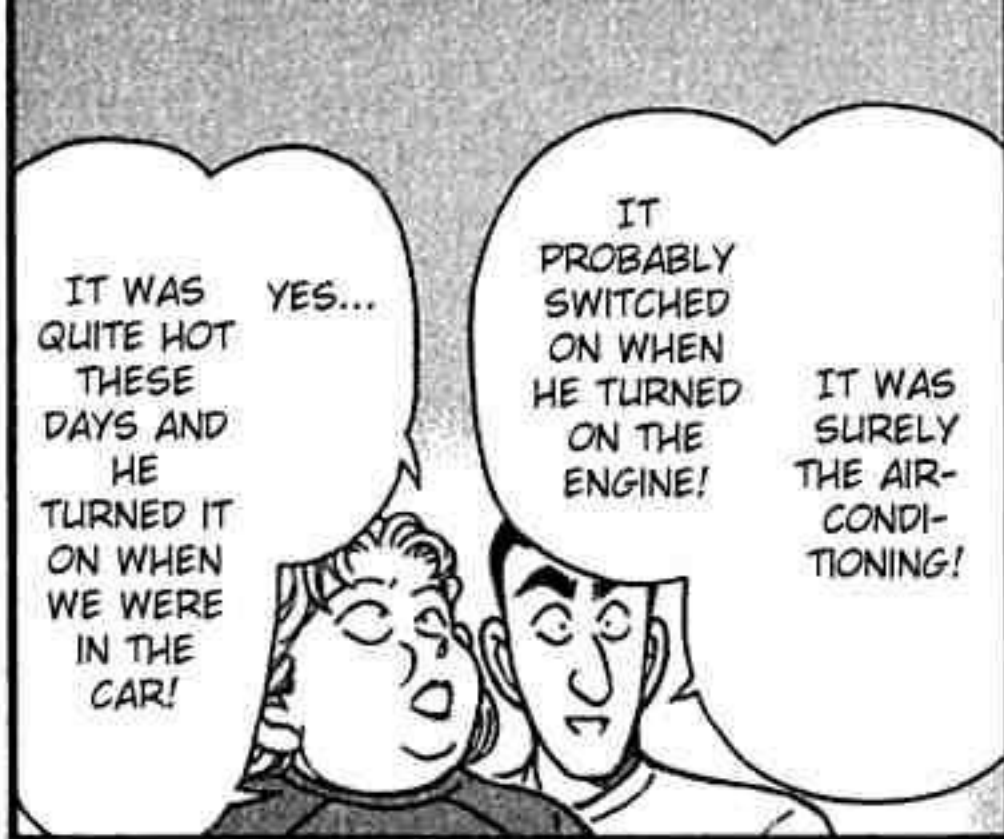


BUT SOMETHING HAS BEEN BUGGING ME...

YOU'VE BEEN READING TOO MANY DETECTIVE STORIES!!

OH, COME ON, IT'S A SUICIDE! A SUICIDE!







BUT THIS BRAT WAS IN MY WAY AGAIN ...

YES AND NO! I JUST WANTED TO KNOW IF HE REALLY HAD THE AIR-CONDITIONING ON!!!



YOU, TOO, ARE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING?

AWWW!

AYE AYE.



AGAIN?!



HM?

FSH
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YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT ...

DAMN... I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING... IT'S TOO DARK...



WE ALREADY HIT OUR HEADS WHEN I WAS LEADING MY INVESTIGATION...

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT... DURING THE PREVIOUS CASE...



NOW
NOW
...

THEY
MUST BE
IN HIS
ROOM
THEN
...

AH!



MR. KANAYA
CONFISCATED
OUR PHONES...



THAT'S
VERY
KIND OF
YOU!

AND NOW?
IS IT BETTER?
MR. DETECTIVES
IN GRASS...

THANK
YOU!



THE STARS
ARE SO
CHATTY THIS
EVENING...

WHAT
ARE YOU
LOOKING
AT SO
INTENSELY?



HUH?

"ALL THIS IS
FAR FROM
ENDING",
THEY TELL
ME...

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HURRY UP
OR WE'RE
GOING TO
LEAVE YOU
HERE!

COME
ON
KIDS...



YES...

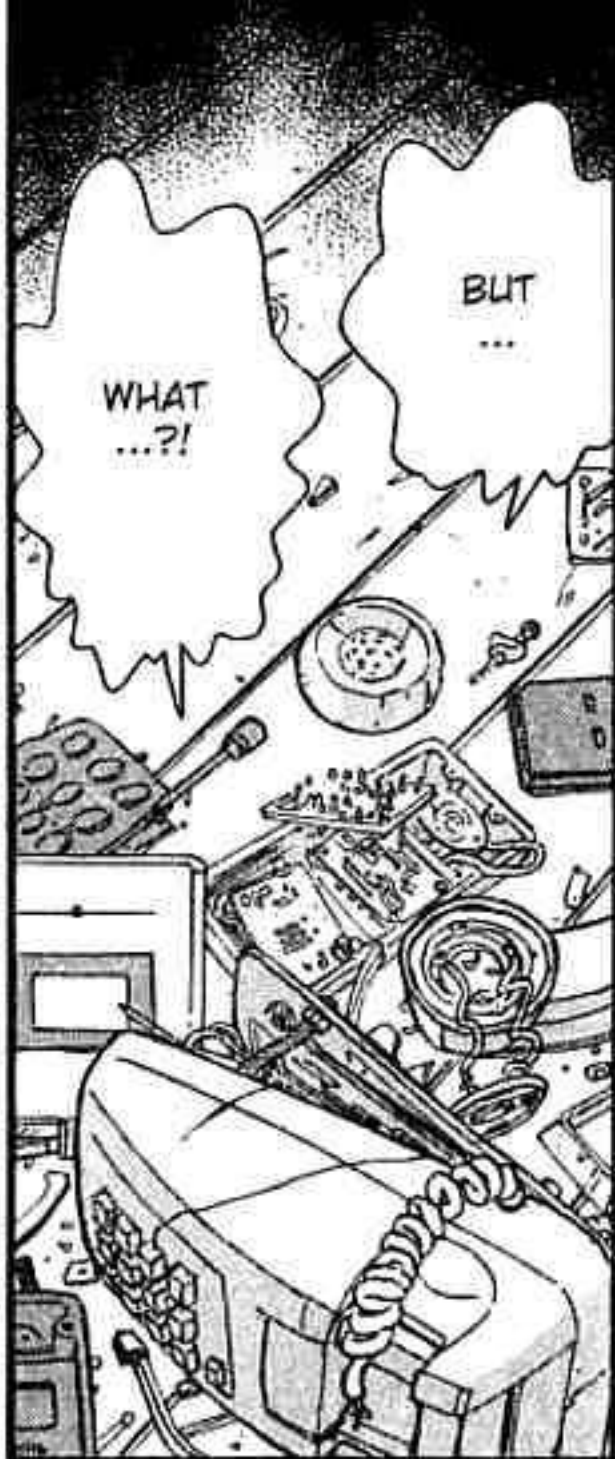
BUT YOU
KNOW, I'M
OFTEN
WRONG...



AND I CAN'T FIND THE BOOK AS WELL!!

BUT WHO HAS?!

THE PHONES ARE ALL IN PIECES?!



WHAT ...?!

BUT ...



DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT...

AAARGH! WE'D BETTER TAKE THE OTHER VEHICLE AND LEAVE THIS PLACE!!



THAT CAR IS UNUSABLE!!!

ALSO, THE BATTERY IS DEAD ...

THE OTHER CAR'S TANK IS PIERCED, THERE IS NO FUEL LEFT...



WE CAN BE SURE OF ONE THING, HE DESTROYED ALL THE PHONES AND MADE THE CAR UNUSABLE. HE THEREFORE CUT OUT ALL MEANS OF COMMUNICATION SO...

I CAN'T SEE HOW HE MANAGED TO MAKE THE CAR ACCELERATE BUT...



PF-FFT ...

MY HYPOTHESIS SEEMS TO BE RIGHT; IT'S A MURDER, RIGHT?



NO...

AH ...

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HE DOESN'T INTEND TO STOP THERE!



ENOUGH!!!

WHAT?!

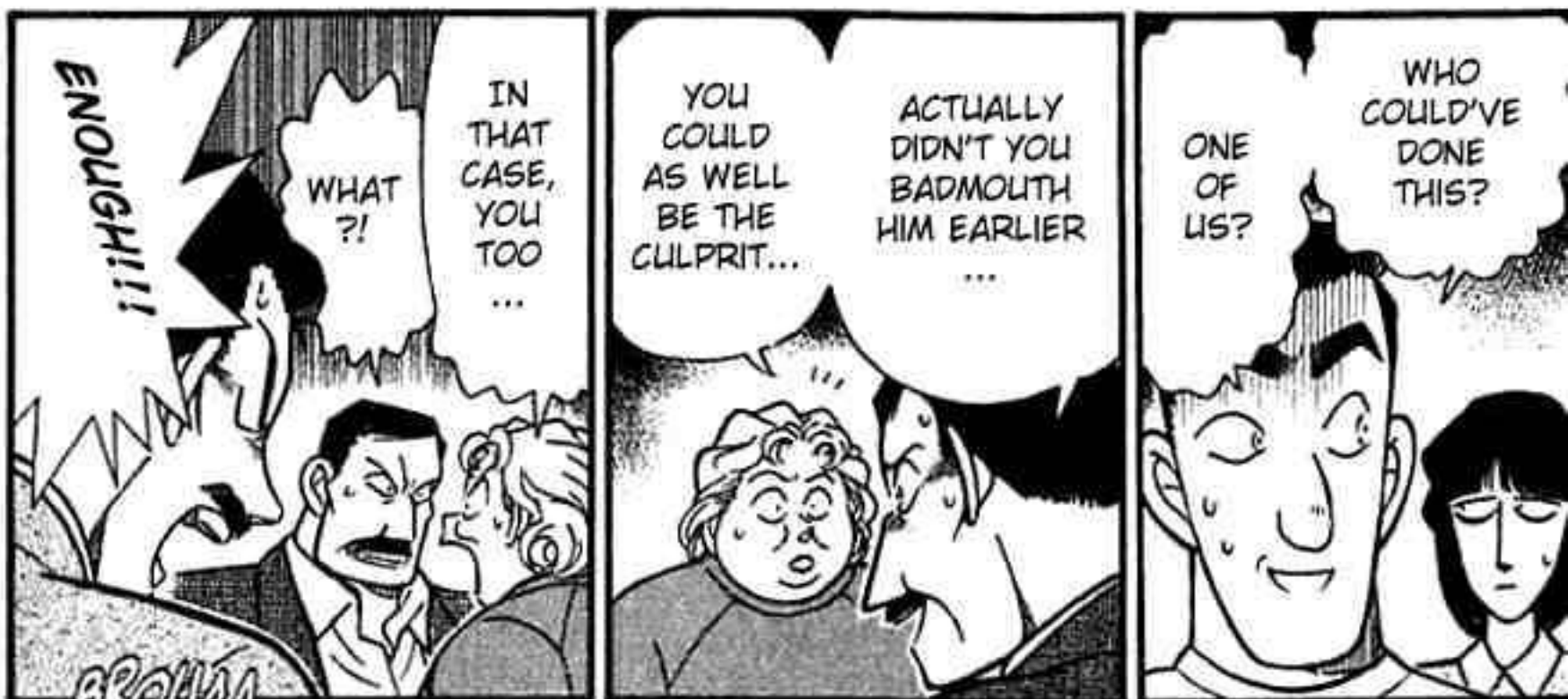
IN THAT CASE, YOU TOO ...

YOU COULD AS WELL BE THE CULPRIT...

ACTUALLY DIDN'T YOU BADMOUTH HIM EARLIER ...

ONE OF US?

WHO COULD'VE DONE THIS?



BRUAAA

WHO SAW MR. KANAYA YESTERDAY EVENING AFTER HE GAVE HIS SPEECH?

NOW YOU'RE GOING TO ANSWER ME...

THE CULPRIT IS AMONGST US AND HE'S ISOLATED HIMSELF, LIKE A MOUSE. IF WE KEEP SEARCHING, WE WILL END UP FINDING HIM!

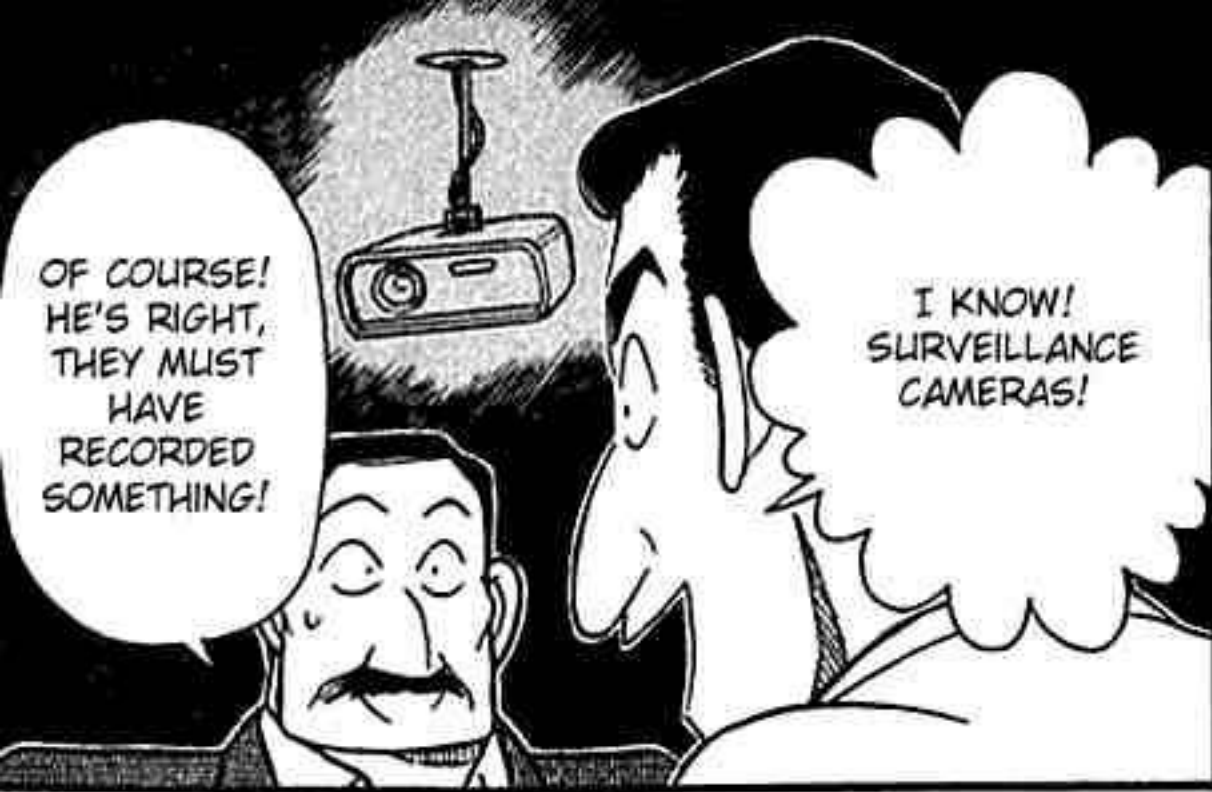


HE ATE DINNER ALONE IN HIS ROOM ...

A...ACTUALLY NO... MR. KANAYA WAS ON A DIET AND HE ONLY ATE LOW-CALORIE FOOD.

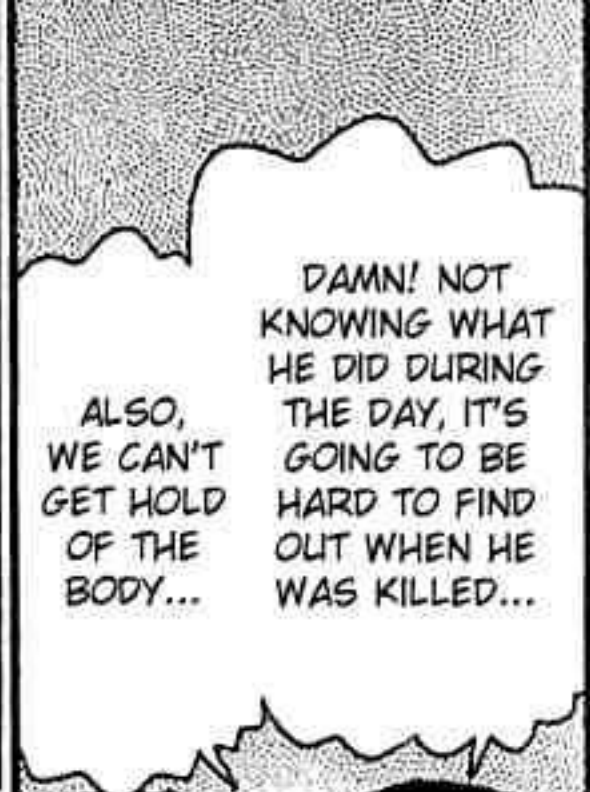
MISS, I SUPPOSE YOU MUST HAVE SEEN HIM, HE MUST HAVE EATEN DINNER RIGHT?





OF COURSE!
HE'S RIGHT,
THEY MUST
HAVE
RECORDED
SOMETHING!

I KNOW!
SURVEILLANCE
CAMERAS!



ALSO,
WE CAN'T
GET HOLD
OF THE
BODY...

DAMN! NOT
KNOWING WHAT
HE DID DURING
THE DAY, IT'S
GOING TO BE
HARD TO FIND
OUT WHEN HE
WAS KILLED...



YES. THEIR
FUNCTION IS JUST
TO DISCOURAGE
CHEATING.
WE PUT THEM UP
EVERY YEAR FOR
THE CONTEST...

HUH?

NO...
BECAUSE
THEY
ARE ALL
FAKE...



THAT TAKES FIVE
PEOPLE OFF THE
SUSPECTS' LIST
RIGHT?

AND WE KNOW
WHERE WERE
SOME OF US
WERE AT THAT
TIME, IN THE
LIVING ROOM!



THOUGH WE KNOW
A FEW THINGS. IT
WAS AT ABOUT
3:30 IN THE
MORNING THAT
THE CAR STARTED
TO MOVE!

FAKE?



ALL
RIGHT
...

PFFF



NO...

SAY, DID YOU
FIND WHAT
YOU WERE
LOOKING FOR
A WHILE
AGO?



PLEASE DON'T
INCLUDE ME
AMONG THE
SUSPECTS,
THANK YOU...

SO YOU'RE
SAYING THAT
ONE OF US
THAT WASN'T
IN THE LIVING
ROOM AT
THAT TIME IS
GUILTY?



HOW FUNNY...
I KNOW
...

AYAKO?

HA HA
HA HA
HA HA.



I EVEN
HAVE
IRREFUTABLE
PROOF...

I KNOW
WHO THE
MURDERER
IS AND
HOW HE
DID IT...

FFFH



WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?!

EH?





SHE DARED TO CHEAT?!

BUT THEN... MAYBE... MAYBE SHE CAME INTO OUR ROOMS WHILE WE WERE HAVING LUNCH...

BUT... SHE DIDN'T COME TO LUNCH TODAY, DID SHE?



THE QUESTIONNAIRE?!

I THINK IT WAS THE QUESTIONNAIRE ABOUT HOLMES...



HM?

AH...



PFFFT... WHAT A WOMAN...



NO, I DIDN'T ASK HER... WELL, I ASKED HER BUT...

WE WANT TO KNOW!

YOU DID ASK HER RIGHT?

SO WHO IS THE CULPRIT?



SAY, MISS...



ARGH... SHE WANTS TO MAKE US WAIT...



THEN SHE LOCKED HERSELF IN THE TOILET...

SHE TOLD ME THAT I WAS NO EXCEPTION TO THE OTHERS, AND THAT SHE COULDN'T TELL EVEN ME...



MISS NANKO SHIMIZU...

MR. KENTO TOGANO AND...



IN FACT, TWO OTHER PEOPLE DIDN'T...

SHE WASN'T THE ONLY ONE THAT DIDN'T HAVE LUNCH TODAY, RIGHT?



AND YES, WE FEAR THEY WERE SWAPPING ANSWERS BETWEEN EACH OTHER.

I THINK THEY ARE GOING OUT WITH EACH OTHER BUT THEY STAY IN SEPARATE ROOMS...

MR. KENTO AND MISS AYAKO SEEM TO KNOW EACH OTHER VERY WELL. WHAT'S THEIR RELATIONSHIP?



HIM AGAIN...

TELL ME! DIDN'T MISS AYAKO PAY A VISIT TO YOUR ROOM THIS AFTERNOON?



THAT THE CAMERAS WERE DUMMIES ...

SHE MUST'VE KNOWN FROM THE BEGINNING...



BECAUSE SHE MUST HAVE SEEN SOMETHING ESSENTIAL...



THAT MEANS THAT IT WAS IN SOMEONE ELSE'S ROOM THAT SHE SAW IT...



NO, I STAYED IN MY ROOM TO FINISH UP ANSWERING THE QUESTIONNAIRE BUT NO ONE CAME BY.

OF THOSE
FOUR
PEOPLE
WITHOUT
AN ALIBI!!

IN ONE
OF THE
ROOMS...

THAT'S
MORE
THAN 20
MINUTES...

YES,
YOU'RE
RIGHT...

ERR...
SHE'S
TAKING
QUITE SOME
TIME...



NO?!

N...

MISS
AYAKO!

MISS
AYAKO?!



WE WERE JUST WORRIED...

NICE MANNERS... COMING TO THE TOILET TO FIND ME...

BTAM



EH?

WHAT?! YOU'RE MAKING QUITE A BIT OF NOISE!!

PSSH



OH, THAT...

AND WE WANTED TO KNOW WHO IS THE CULPRIT...



AND IN FACT I THINK I WAS WRONG...

I THOUGHT ABOUT IT IN THE TOILET...



I TOLD YOU, IT'S PROVOCATION...



HA HA HA

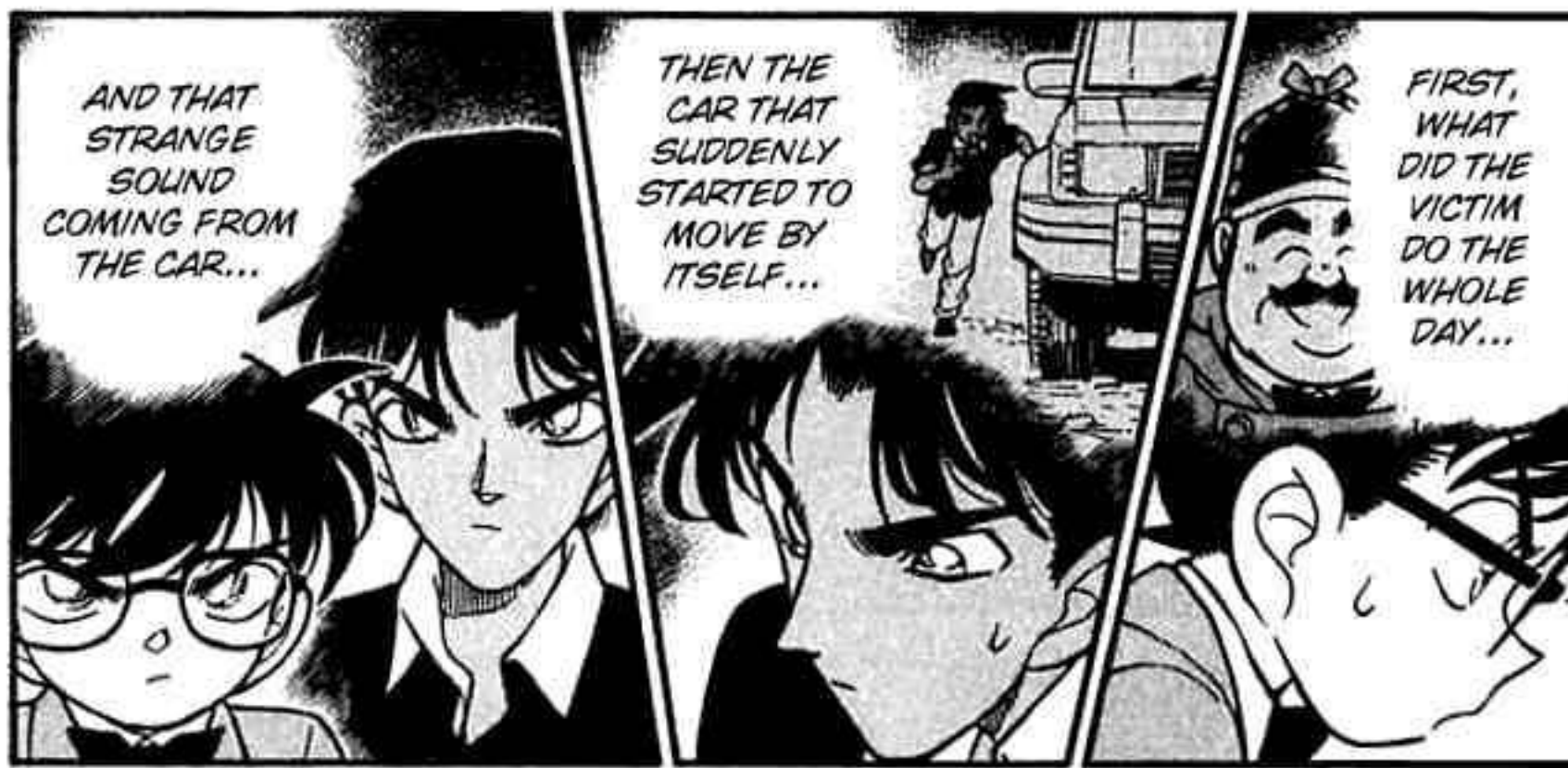
I'M VERY SORRY!!

HUH?



TOO MANY THINGS REMAIN UNEXPLAINABLE,

WHY? WHY CHANGE YOUR MIND SO SUDDENLY?!



AND THAT STRANGE SOUND COMING FROM THE CAR...

THEN THE CAR THAT SUDDENLY STARTED TO MOVE BY ITSELF...

FIRST, WHAT DID THE VICTIM DO THE WHOLE DAY...



SHE TOLD US THAT "THERE WON'T BE ANY MURDERS ANYMORE"...

WE WANTED TO STOP HER BUT...

HUH?



SHE WENT FOR A WALK!

WHERE IS MISS AYAKO?

AH DAMN !!



WHEN THE MORNING COMES, ONE OF US WILL GO TO THE RAIL STATION BY FOOT AND WILL CALL THE POLICE...

IF WE ALL STAY HERE, THERE IS NO REASON TO WORRY...

ALL THE SUSPECTS ARE HERE IN THIS ROOM...





FSSSSH

NO...

**THAT'S
IMPOS-
SIBLE!**