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TITX...





YES,
IT IS...

IS
THAT
TRUE?

WHAT? SOMEONE
DIED WHILE
BATTLING IN A
VIDEO GAME?



WE WERE
WATCHING
THE FIGHT
ON THIS
SCREEN.



WE FOUND
THAT THE MAN
CONTROLLING
THE FIGHTER
HAD DIED...

WITH A
CLOSER
LOOK,

HE STOPPED
FIGHTING,
AND DIDN'T
MOVE ANY-
MORE...

BEFORE HE
WAS ABOUT
TO WIN,





I SEE, SO HE HAS A LOT OF ENEMIES...

HE IS KNOWN FOR BAD BEHAVIOR, AND HE HAS A BAD REPUTATION HERE.

THE VICTIM IS 21-YEAR-OLD WEITENG WUXIAN, WHO IS CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED.



Y E S S I

ENGLISH TEACHER?

OH...SHE'S OUR SCHOOL'S ENGLISH TEACHER.



YEAH... HE USE TO BE MY DAD'S BOSS.

AH! MS. MOURI, DO YOU KNOW HIM?

HUH?



NICE TO MEET YOU.

MY NAME IS JUDY SMITH.

JUDY SMITH (28) ENGLISH TEACHER

*WORDS WRITTEN VERTICALLY ARE SPOKEN IN ENGLISH



WRONG AGAIN

Policeman

No No No Policeman! OK?



YOU MUST SAY 'POLICEMAN', NOT 'POLICE'.

Po... Police ... man?

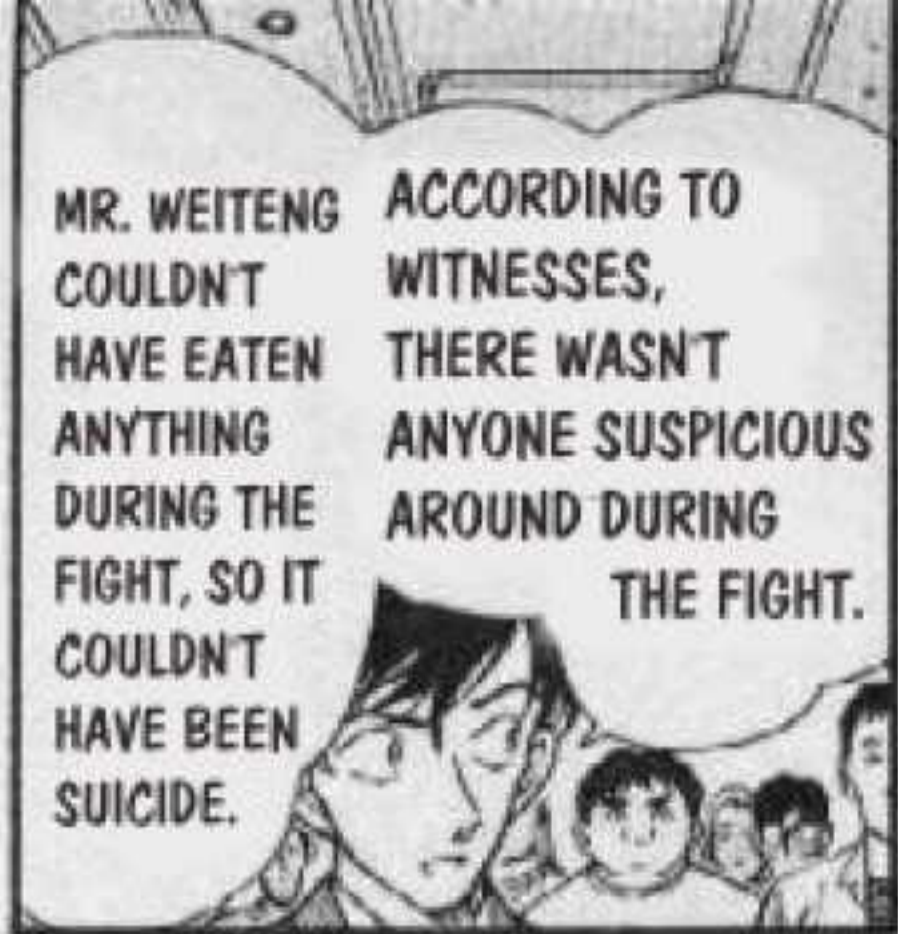


My name is Juzou Mezure. I am a Japanese Police.

Police?

MR. WEITENG
COULDN'T
HAVE EATEN
ANYTHING
DURING THE
FIGHT, SO IT
COULDN'T
HAVE BEEN
SUICIDE.

ACCORDING TO
WITNESSES,
THERE WASN'T
ANYONE SUSPICIOUS
AROUND DURING
THE FIGHT.



YEAH
....

THE PROBLEM
AT HAND IS HOW
HE DIED WHILE
PLAYING A GAME?

UM
UM
....



THE PLAYER
WILL FEEL
PAIN IN THE
SAME AREA
AS WHERE
HIS FIGHTER
WAS HIT ON
THE
SCREEN.

WHEN
HIT BY
THE
OPPO-
NENT,

CHUNIAO JUN
(22)
STORE EMPLOYEE




THIS IS A
VIRTUAL
REALITY
GAME...

BUT WHY
DOES HE
HAVE THIS
EQUIPMENT
ON...



YES, WHEN THE OPPONENT HITS YOUR
ARMOR, YOU WILL FEEL SLIGHT
PAIN, AND YOUR HANDS AND
FEET WILL MOVE
SLIGHTLY, MAKING THE
FIGHT SEEM REALISTIC.

HE'LL
FEEL
THE
PAIN?



THAT'S
NOT
POSSIBLE.

AH, NO
....



TOO
MUCH
PAIN
FROM
THE
GAME
....

COULD HE
HAVE DIED
BECAUSE OF
....





I DON'T WANT TO BECOME A SUSPECT FOR THAT.

I WAS THE ONE WHO PLAYED THE GAME WITH HIM BEFORE HE DIED...

WHO ARE YOU?



LIKE WHEN A CELLPHONE VIBRATES, HOW CAN THAT KILL A PERSON?

THOUGH IT FEELS LIKE PAIN, BUT IT IS ACTUALLY JUST MILD VIBRATION,

ZHISHUI GAOBAO
(30)
EDITOR OF A GAMING MAGAZINE



I WAS CHEWING GUM FOR LUCK, BUT I WAS STILL LOSING...

I ONLY HIT HIM A TWO OR THREE TIMES...

AND I WAS THE ONE BEING BEATEN!



HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY VISIBLE INJURIES.

WE STILL DON'T KNOW THE CAUSE OF DEATH...



YEAH... HE WAS LOSING THE ENTIRE TIME...

IS THAT TRUE?



MAYBE HE WAS POISONED.



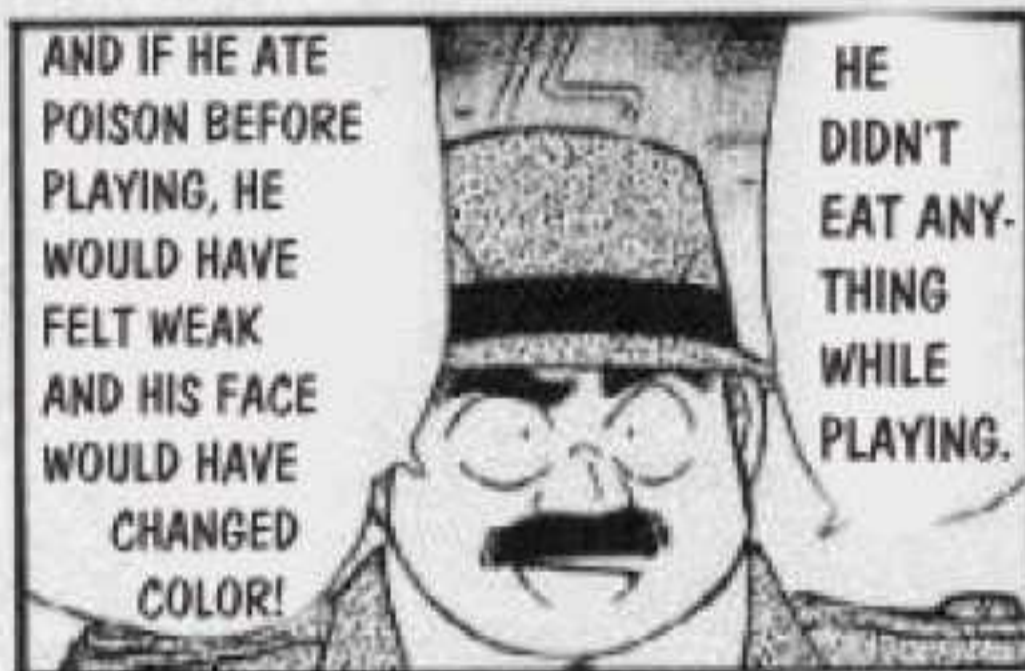
BUT HE DIED CONAN SUDDENLY ... WHILE PLAYING A VIDEO GAME!

SO, HE COULDN'T HAVE BEEN POISONED



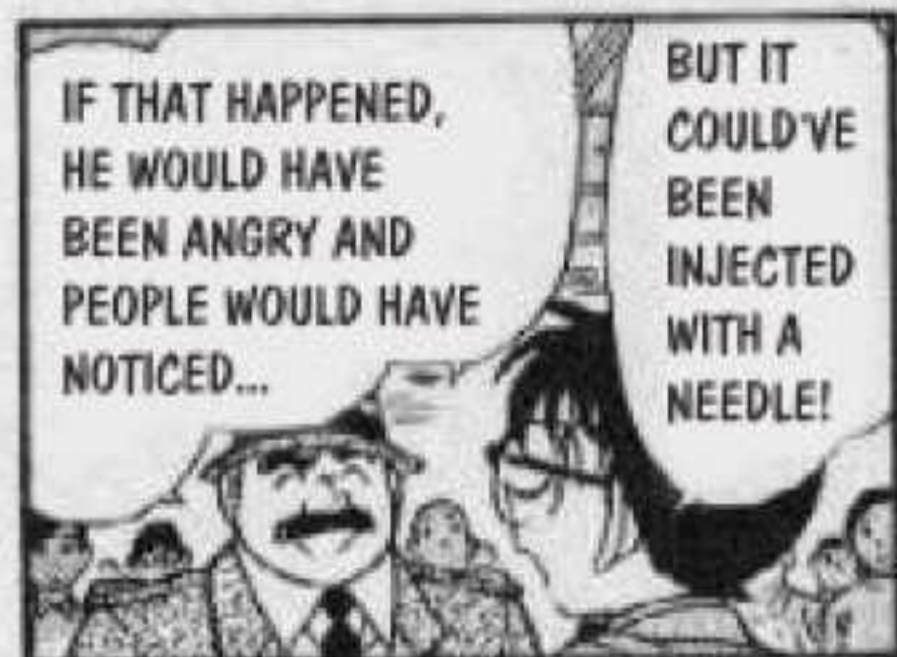
THIS MAN SEEMED TO HAVE SUFFOCATED TO DEATH, BUT THERE ARE NO MARKS OF BEING STRANGLERED ON HIS NECK.

HUH?



AND IF HE ATE POISON BEFORE PLAYING, HE WOULD HAVE FELT WEAK AND HIS FACE WOULD HAVE CHANGED COLOR!

HE DIDN'T EAT ANYTHING WHILE PLAYING.



IF THAT HAPPENED, HE WOULD HAVE BEEN ANGRY AND PEOPLE WOULD HAVE NOTICED...

BUT IT COULD'VE BEEN INJECTED WITH A NEEDLE!



BEFORE THE FIGHT, HE BEAT RAN AT THE GAME!

NO!

DID YOU SEE THAT?



WHAT?

BUT AREN'T YOU FORGETTING SOMETHING?



YEAH, YEAH!

UM... REALLY?



BUT THIS IS AN ARCADE!



AND IN ORDER FOR THE GAMES TO BE MORE CLEAR, THE LIGHTS IN THIS ARCADE ARE DIM...

HIS HANDS AND FEET ARE BOUND, SO HE COULDN'T MOVE ABOUT FREELY.



AND IN THIS DIM ARCADE, IF EVERYONE WAS STARING AT THE LARGE SCREEN, HE COULD HAVE BEEN POISONED...

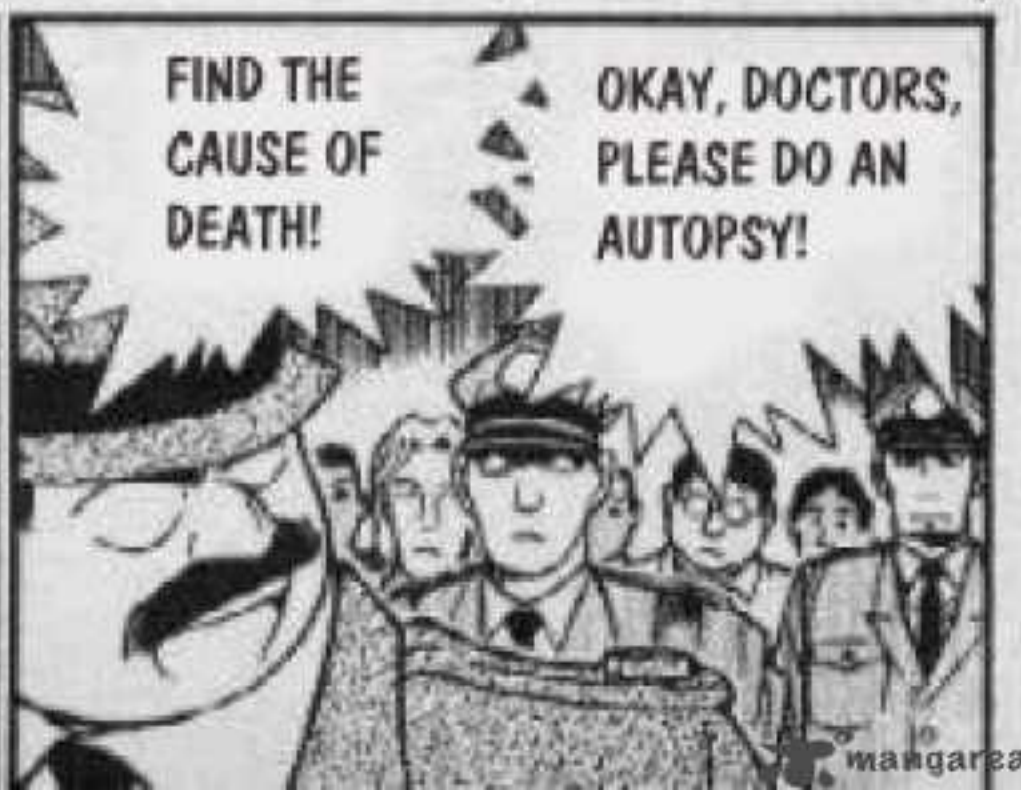
HE'S RIGHT, THE VICTIM WASN'T PREPARED, EVEN IF HE SCREAMED, NO ONE WOULD HAVE HEARD HIM.



IT'S ONLY QUIET NOW BECAUSE THE MACHINES STOPPED. IT'S USUALLY SO LOUD YOU CAN EVEN HEAR WHAT ANYONE IS SAYING!



YES!



FIND THE CAUSE OF DEATH!

OKAY, DOCTORS, PLEASE DO AN AUTOPSY!





YEAH!
IT DID...

DID THAT
CAMERA
TAPE THE
SCENE?



THE
SURVEILLANCE
CAMERA?

THAT
ALSO
SAW IT.

피멍하!



WHAT
IS THAT
SOUND?

THAT'S
STRANGE
.....

피멍하!



OKAY!

THEN LET'S
LOOK AT THE
TAPE WITH
THESE SIX
PEOPLE!

HUH?



AND
RUBING
...

IT SOUNDS LIKE
METAL,
SCRATCHING...



JIANGSHOU MINSI
(41)
TAXI DRIVER



WHAT
IS IT?



THE VICTIM SAT AT THAT VIDEO GAME SEAT...

THAT WAS WHEN...



AH!
HERE!
RIGHT
HERE!



OH!

HE WAS DEMAND-
ING HIS
SEAT
BACK
FROM
RAN.



OH
...

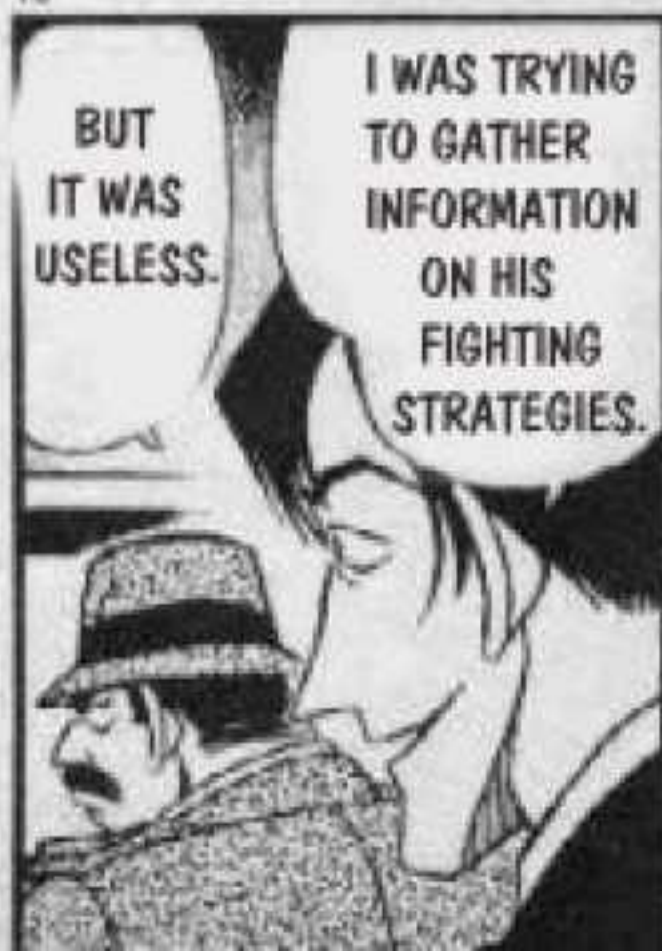
I WAS TAKING
OUT THE
COINS FROM
THE VIDEO
GAME
MACHINE.



WHAT
WERE
YOU
DOING?

IS THAT
MR.
CHUNIAO?

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BUT
IT WAS
USELESS.

I WAS TRYING
TO GATHER
INFORMATION
ON HIS
FIGHTING
STRATEGIES.



ABOUT
WHAT?

THEY
SEEM TO
BE TALK-
ING ABOUT
SOMETHING
.....



MR. ZHISHUI
IS NEXT.



AH! INSPECTOR MEGURE, LOOK!

AND THEN THE GAME STARTED.



MY LIGHTER FELL ON THE GROUND, I WAS PICKING IT UP.

HEY? WHAT DID YOU PICK UP FROM THE FLOOR?



THE FIGHT WAS TOO EXCITING, I HAD TO TAPE IT.

IT'S A CAMERA

HE'S HOLDING SOMETHING...



NO! YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG GUY...

DIDN'T I SEE YOU SOMEWHERE BEFORE?



WAS MR. CHUNIAO.

AMONG THE PEOPLE WATCHING...



YEAH! IT SEEMED REALLY EXCITING, SO WE WANTED TO GO SEE TOO...

HUH? RAN AND SONOKO LEFT THE RACING GAME...



A FAST SERIES OF HITS!

THE FIGHT WAS PRETTY EXCITING...



AND I DIDN'T
HAVE TIME
TO NOTICE
ANYTHING
ELSE.

BUT I WAS
CONCENTRAT-
ING ON
PLAYING THE
RACING GAME,



IN OTHER WORDS,
MS. JUDY WAS
ALONE WITH THE
VICTIM AT THAT
TIME, AM I RIGHT?

OH—



BECAUSE WHEN
WE RAN TO THE
VICTIM'S BODY,
SHE FINISHED THE
RACE AND GOT ON
HIGHSCORE!

SHE MUST
HAVE BEEN
PLAYING THE
ENTIRE
TIME.

BUT, IF
YOU DON'T
HAVE AN
ALIBI...



HUH?



OH... THEN
WHO KILLED
HIM...



SHE MUST BE INNOCENT,
IF SHE LET GO OF
THE STEERING WHEEL,
THE CAR WOULD
SLOW DOWN AND
SHE WOULDN'T
HAVE BEEN ON
HIGHSCORE.

HIGH
SCORE!



WHO IS
THIS
MAN?

HEY...A MAN IS
COMING OUT FROM
BEHIND THE VICTIM

.....



YES!

BRING THAT MAN HERE RIGHT AWAY!



WHAT?

HEY! HE WAS THE MAN SPEAKING BADLY ABOUT THE VICTIM!

AH! THAT WAS THE MAN PLAYING THE MAHJONG VIDEO GAME!

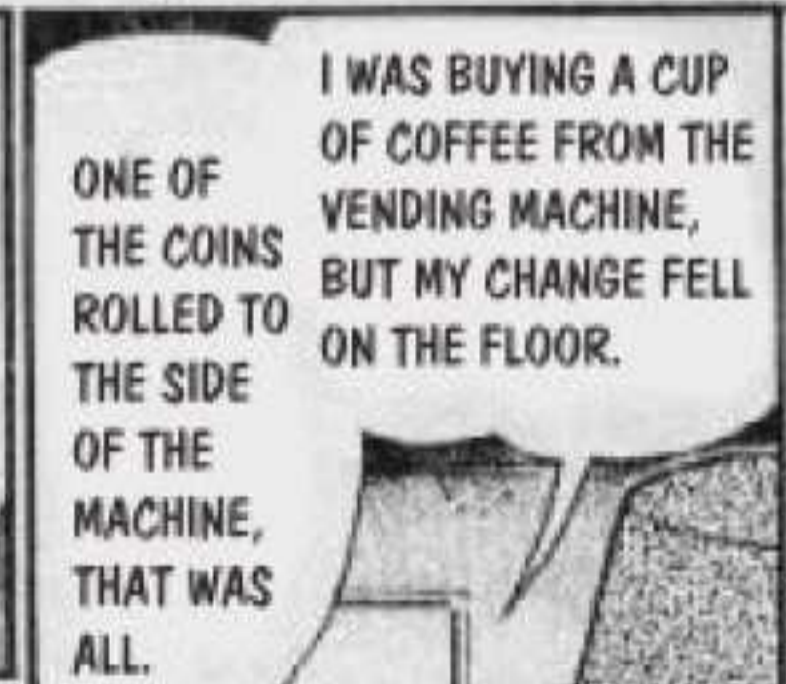


I WAS PICKING UP AN 100 YEN COIN.



BUT HE TAUNTED YOU FOR PLAYING A DRIVING GAME BADLY BEFORE, DID YOU KILL HIM FOR THAT?

THOUGH I HATE THAT MAN, BUT AS A GAME FAN, I ADMIRE HIM, SO THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO KILL HIM.



I WAS BUYING A CUP OF COFFEE FROM THE VENDING MACHINE, BUT MY CHANGE FELL ON THE FLOOR. ONE OF THE COINS ROLLED TO THE SIDE OF THE MACHINE, THAT WAS ALL.



HUMPH! IF THIS IS A MOTIVE, THEN DON'T YOU HAVE A BETTER MOTIVE?

YEAH! AND HE TOLD THE GUESTS, 'IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE, DON'T RIDE IN THIS MAN'S TAXI CAR!'

IS THAT TRUE?





BUT SINCE YOU'RE A GAME FAN TOO, YOU CAN'T BLAME YOUR SISTER.

THEY WERE LIVING TOGETHER!

BOY-FRIEND ?



HE'S YOUR SISTER'S BOYFRIEND, AND YOU CONSTANTLY PRESSURE YOUR SISTER TO LEAVE HIM.



YOU WANTED HIM DEAD TOO!

AND THAT STORE EMPLOYEE

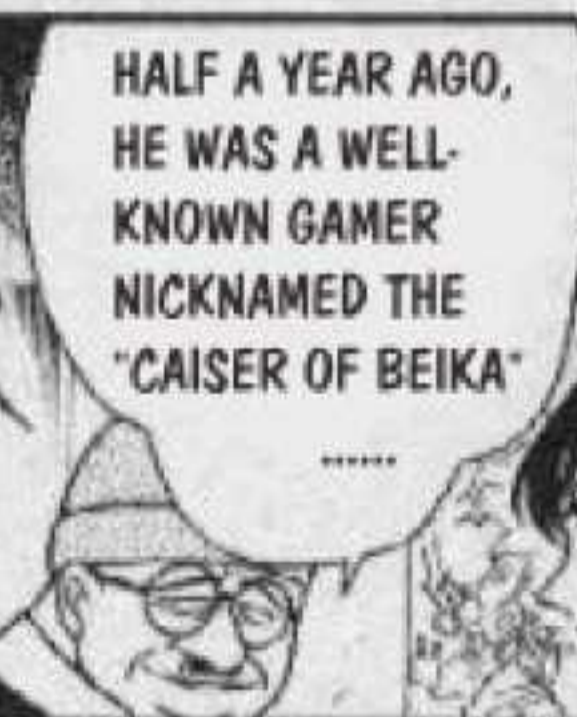
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AND NOW HE CHANGED HIS HAIR STYLE AND FOUND A JOB AT THIS ARCADE.



BUT HE DISAPPEARED AFTER THE VICTIM DEFEATED HIM...



HALF A YEAR AGO, HE WAS A WELL-KNOWN GAMER NICKNAMED THE "CAISER OF BEIKA"

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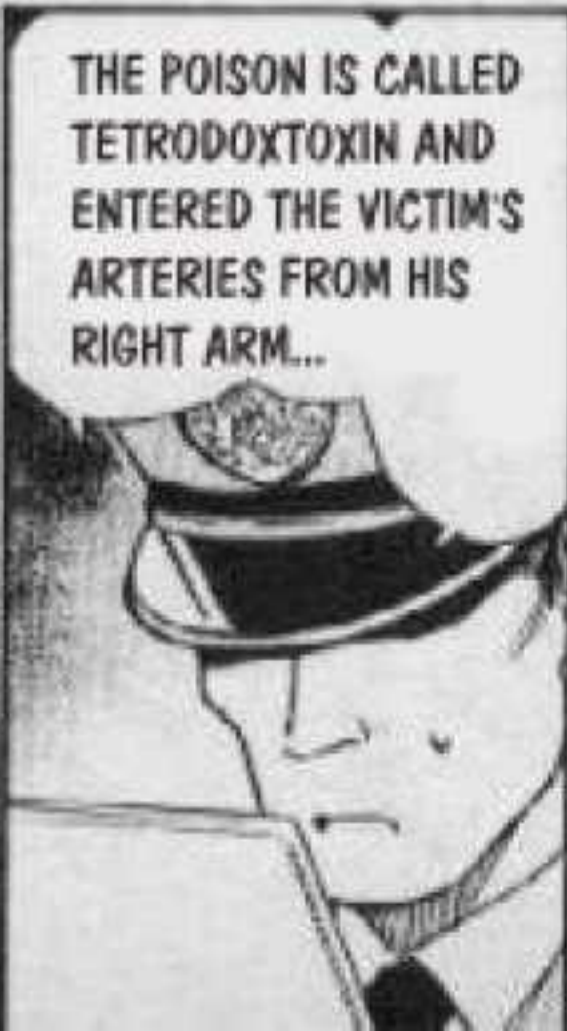


WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?



GLOBE-FISH POISON!

TETRODO-TOXIN...



THE POISON IS CALLED TETRODOXTOXIN AND ENTERED THE VICTIM'S ARTERIES FROM HIS RIGHT ARM...



WHAT?

INSPECTOR! WE FOUND POISON IN THE VICTIM'S BLOOD!

BUT IF IT IS DIRECTLY INJECTED INTO THE BLOOD, IT WILL CAUSE NERVE PARALYSIS AND RESPIRATORY FAILURE VERY QUICKLY...

IF TAKEN ORALLY, THE POISON IS SLOW AND VICTIMS CAN BE SAVED.

THE POISON IS USUALLY CALLED TTX, JUST 0.5 TO 1 MG CAN CAUSE DEATH.

THE PROOF SHOULD BE THERE.

TTX... THAN THAT PERSON IS THE MOST SUSPICIOUS

HE SAID I HAVE TO BE CAREFUL OF TTX IN JAPAN.

AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT MY DOCTOR FRIEND TOLD ME.

MS. JUDY?

DOES THE MURDERER STILL HAVE IT WITH HIM?

BUT WHAT ABOUT THE NEEDLE... THERE'S NOTHING LIKE THAT...

WHAT IS IT?

THAT SOUND ...

IT'S HERE AGAIN ...

IS THAT FINE WITH EVERYONE?

HUH?

LET'S GO BACK AND GATHER EVIDENCE!



AH! THANKS,
LITTLE KID.



HEY!

YOU
HAVE
TO TIE
YOUR
LEFT
SHOE-
LACE.



OH, OKAY!

IT HAS
TO BE
THAT
PERSON
...

LET'S GO,
CONAN!



IS DEFINITELY
THAT PERSON!

THE ONE WHO
MURDERED
MR. WEITENG
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