


Detective CONAN

DANGEROUS VISITANT

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**MS. TAIRA
HAS BEEN
MURDERED
!?**

**WHAT
!?**



**SHE WAS
STRANGLING
WITH A THIN
ROPE OR
SOME
SORT...**

**SOMEONE
KILLED HER
ABOUT TWO
HOURS
AGO...**

**YOU
SURE
!?**

**G, GET
OUT
---**



**THE CULPRIT KILLED
MS. TAIRA IN THE
FOREST, CARRIED HER
TO THIS BEACH FOR
SOME REASON,
AND RAN OFF
A MOMENT
AGO!**

**HER ARMS AND
LEGS ARE COVERED
IN TWIG-SCRATCHES
AFTER HER STRUG-
GLE AGAINST THE
KILLER, MEANING
THAT**

BUT YO,
DETECTIVE DUDE...
HOW WOULD YOU
KNOW ?

I, 'I AM A
SERVITOR
OF GOOSOH'
?

LEAVING
THIS CREEPY
MESSAGE
BEHIND
...

IT'S
SIMPLE
!

THAT IT
HAP-
PENED
JUST
NOW
...

NOW THE WAVES
BARELY REACH THE
MESSAGE. IT WOULD
HAVE BEEN GONE IF IT
WERE WRITTEN
LONG AGO BEFORE
THE TIDE EBBS !

SEE, THE
SAND IS WET UP
TO THAT POINT.
THAT'S HOW FAR
THE WAVES
REACHED AT
HIGH TIDE,
RIGHT ?

AND SINCE THIS KID
AND I TOOK
SEPARATE PATHS TO
FIND HER ALONG
THE SHORE ...

ALSO, THIS BEACH IS AT THE OPPOSITE
END OF THE ISLAND FROM THE DOCK !
SINCE WE'D BEEN TOGETHER WAITING
FOR MS. TAIRA FOR THE PAST HOUR ...



THERE IS
DEFINITELY A
STRANGER ON
THIS ISLAND
!!

THE KILLER
IS NOT
AMONG US
!



UM,
YEA...

I HAVE
IT HERE
...

KAZUHA, DID YOU
BRING YOUR
DIGITAL CAMERA?



O, OTHER
THAN US...
!?

NO
...



JUST
SOME-
THING
...

WATCH, I CAN
UNDERSTAND. BUT
WHAT'RE YOU
GOING TO DO
WITH A SANDAL
?



EH
?

KUDO, LET ME
BORROW A
SANDAL AND
THAT LUMINES-
CENT WATCH
OF YOURS !





O,
OKAY
...

NOW, LET'S
BRING HER
BACK TO THE
SHIP BEFORE
WAVES TAKE
HER AWAY
...



IF I DON'T
SHOOT THIS
NOW, WAVES
WILL ERASE IT
AT THE NEXT
HIGH TIDE
....

I SEE...
YOU WANTED
IT AS A
FRAME OF
REFERENCE
FOR ITS
SIZE...



I WONDER,
MAYBE
THERE'S
SOME-
THING IN
THE SEA

BUT WHY
DID SHE
...?



WHAT
KIND
?

YEA, MS. TAIRA WENT FOR
SNORKELING AS SOON AS
WE GOT HERE. THERE'S
GOT TO BE SOMETHING
THAT MADE HER DIVE
UNDER THIS KIND
OF SEA...

IN
THE
SEA?



I KNEW
YOU'D SAY
THAT...



UM
.....

IT'S BETTER TO DEAL
WITH IT TOMORROW IN
DAYLIGHT. LET'S HEAD
BACK TO THE PREVIOUS
ISLAND ...



COULD HE
HAVE ASKED
FOR THE
SANDAL
BECAUSE HE
KNEW I'D STOP
HIM ...?

OH
...

HUH
?

EH
?

HE'S GOING
INTO THE SEA
!!

SOMEBODY,
PLEASE STOP
HEIJI
!



HUMPH ...
THAT DUDE
HAS GOT
SOME
GUTS

ISN'T THERE A
KEY TO SOLVE
THE CASE ?

WHY
NOT ?
IT'S NO
BIG
DEAL



WHAAAT !?

EVEN A PROFES-
SIONAL DIVER
COULD LOSE
HIS LIFE
....

THE CURRENT IS
DEADLY UNDER
THE WATER. IN
THIS DARKNESS
.....



H, HEIJI
I?



IT'S DAN-
GER-
OUS!

HEIJI !!
COME
BACK !

THIS IS
ABOUT
RIGHT...



WHAT'S
THAT
?

HMM
?



TH,
THAT IS
...

BLACK AT
THE BOT-
TOM OF
THE SEA

THERE'S
SOME-
THING...





MACKEREL SCADS ARE MIGRATORY FISH THAT LIVE ALONG A STRONG CURRENT IN THE SEA. PLUS, THERE WERE TONS OF SEAGULLS GOING AFTER THE FISH...

DO YOU RECALL HIM SAYING THAT THERE ARE MANY MACKEREL SCADS ?

EH? YOU KNEW THE CURRENT IS STRONG AROUND HERE ?

YEA

....

YEA. I THOUGHT SHE MIGHT HAVE DIVED UNDER THE WATER AGAIN AND GOT SWEEPED BY THE CURRENT...

SO THE REASON WHY YOU RUSHED OUT OF THE SHIP TO LOOK FOR MS. TAIRA WAS...



+ ASAP = AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

O, OF COURSE NOT...

IT'S NOT THAT HEIJI WAS TRYING TO SNEAKILY GATHER NEEDED INFORMATION TO ENSURE HIS VICTORY AGAINST UNCLE ...

DUH, I WAS MERELY TRYING TO SOLVE THE MURDER CASE ASAP+

YOU SHOULD NOT TRY TO BE A HERO. HOW DARE YOU DIVE IN SUCH RISKY SEA ALL BY YOURSELF ...


R I G H T



THE FERRY, OF COURSE ...


BACK ON WHAT, YOU SAY ?

WHY DON'T WE DISCUSS THIS BACK ON THE FERRY ?




THE SHIP
IS GONE
!!

H, HEY
...



DUHI! WE'RE THE
FIRST DISCOVER-
ERS OF THE BODY.
NO ONE ELSE BUT
US KNOWS
ABOUT THE
MURDER!



DID THAT
CAPTAIN DITCH
US BECAUSE HE
GOT SCARED
!?



WE WOULD'VE
NOTICED IF A
SHIP WENT BY

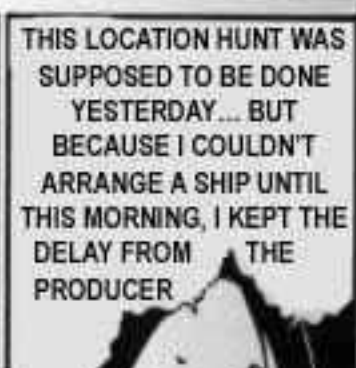
IMPOSSIBLE!
THE KID AND I
WENT AROUND
THE ISLAND
FROM BOTH
SIDES ALONG
THE SHORE!

SO ISN'T CAPTAIN THE MURDERER?
AFTER WE LEFT FOR THE SEARCH, HE
COULD'VE GONE BY THE SHIP AND
REACHED THE BEACH BEFORE US ...



THE CAPTAIN
IS THE KEY TO
THIS CASE
...

EITHER
WAY, IT
SEEMS
THAT



YES. THAT IS A SPECIAL OKINAWAN ALCOHOL WE PREPARED JUST FOR YOU. HOPE THIS WILL EXHILARATE YOU FOR TOMORROW'S DEDUCTION MATCH.

BOY, OH BOY! THIS IS THE BEST AWAMORI EVER !!

WHATEVER THE RESULT WILL BE, I AM READY TO ACCEPT IT ...

PLEASE SOLVE THE MYSTERY. I AM COUNTING ON YOU ...

KANESHIRO HYOGO (63)
MAYOR

HOW FOO-LISH....

THEY PROBABLY DON'T WANT TO FACE ME BEFORE THE BIG MATCH...


AH, THERE IS NO NEED TO CONCERN YOUR-SELF...

BY THE WAY, HATTORI AND THE GIRLS ARE TAKING SO LONG...


LET'S ENJOY THE EVENING !!

JUST FORGET ABOUT THE KIDS AND WE'LL DRINK AWAY ALL NIGHT LONG !!


和歌山県知事




WHAT !?
AN
ANCHOR
!?



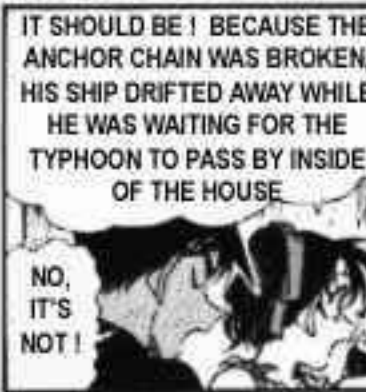
AT-
TACHED
TO IT ...




A RUSTY
ANCHOR OF
A SHIP, WITH
A BROKEN
CHAIN



YOU REALLY
SAW SUCH
THING UNDER
THE WATER
WHERE MS.
TAIRA DIVED?



IT SHOULD BE ! BECAUSE THE
ANCHOR CHAIN WAS BROKEN,
HIS SHIP DRIFTED AWAY WHILE
HE WAS WAITING FOR THE
TYPHOON TO PASS BY INSIDE
OF THE HOUSE




ISN'T IT
FROM THE
SHIP OF THE
PERSON
WHO DIED
HERE A
YEAR
AGO ?




YES
....



NO,
IT'S
NOT !



WHAT ARE
THOSE INCI-
DENTS ?




WASN'T IT AROUND
THAT TIME THOSE
INCIDENTS HAPPENED
CONSECUTIVELY ?




YEA
....



4, 5
YEARS
....




THE ANCHOR I SAW WAS
COVERED WITH TONS OF SHELL-
FISH AND SEAWEED. THAT THING
MUST HAS BEEN UNDER THE
WATER FOR AT LEAST 4, 5 YEARS



THEN A YEAR LATER,
A ROBBERY GROUP BROKE
INTO MAYOR'S HOUSE AND STOLE A
GOLDEN FOLDING SCREEN THE FAMILY
TREASURED. ACCORDING TO MAYOR
AND THEIR BUTLER WHO ANSWERED
THE PHONE CALLS, THE
ROBBERY GROUP WAS
ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
KIDNAP...

FIVE YEARS AGO,
MAYOR'S ONLY
DAUGHTER
MS. MIYAKO WAS
KIDNAPPED ...



MS. MIYAKO WAS KID-
NAPPED AROUND THE TIME
HE LOST HIS WIFE. AND HIS
BUTLER LEFT BECAUSE HE
GOT SCARED AFTER THE
ROBBERY GROUP MUR-
DERED A HOUSE-
KEEPER...

I FEEL SORRY
FOR MAYOR'S
MISFORTUNES
...


MAYOR REFUSED TO
PAY EITHER RANSOM
OR EXCHANGE MONEY
FOR THE SCREEN. THEY
HAVE GOTTEN AWAY
AND BOTH MS. MIYAKO
AND THE SCREEN ARE
STILL MISSING TODAY

SO
WHAT
HAP-
PENED
...?




THEN, ALONG
WITH STRANGE
INSCRIPTION, A
STARVED MAN
WAS FOUND
DEAD ON THIS
ISLAND WHICH
HE OWNS ...

MAYOR IS
CALLED A
CHEAP COLD
FISH FOR NOT
PAYING
RANSOM ...



HEY, THE STRANGE INSCRIPTION
SAID THE SLEEPING PLACE OF A
PRINCESS SHALL BE KOU AND
SHALL NOT BE OTSU
RIGHT?



AND NOW, THERE IS ANOTHER MURDER.
IT MAKES ME WONDER IF MAYOR IS
REALLY CURSED BY THE
SERVITOR OF GOOSOH



YEA...
HER POOR SOUL
BECAME A
SERVITOR OF THE
OTHER WORLD
AND STRAN-
GLED MS.
TAIRA.

SO SHE'S
ALREADY BEEN
MURDERED AND
IS BURIED SOME-
WHERE ON THIS
ISLAND ?




WHAT

!?

ISN'T THIS
'PRINCESS'
MS. MIYAKO
?




AIEEE
.....



HOLD IT IN YOUR
MOUTH. THE FORK
TALE TELLS THAT'S
HOW THE WOMAN
PROTECTED HER
SOUL FROM
SUCKED OUT...


USE THIS
KNIFE IF YOU
ARE AFRAID OF
A SERVITOR OF
GOOSOH...



WELL, WELL ...
WHAT DO WE
HAVE HERE ...



HUH
?




IT COULD
ALSO BE A
WEAPON
.....




MOREOVER,
THE WATER AT
THE BOTTOM
HASN'T
EVAPORATED
YET...

THE CIGARETTE
BRANDS ARE
ALL DIFFERENT
...



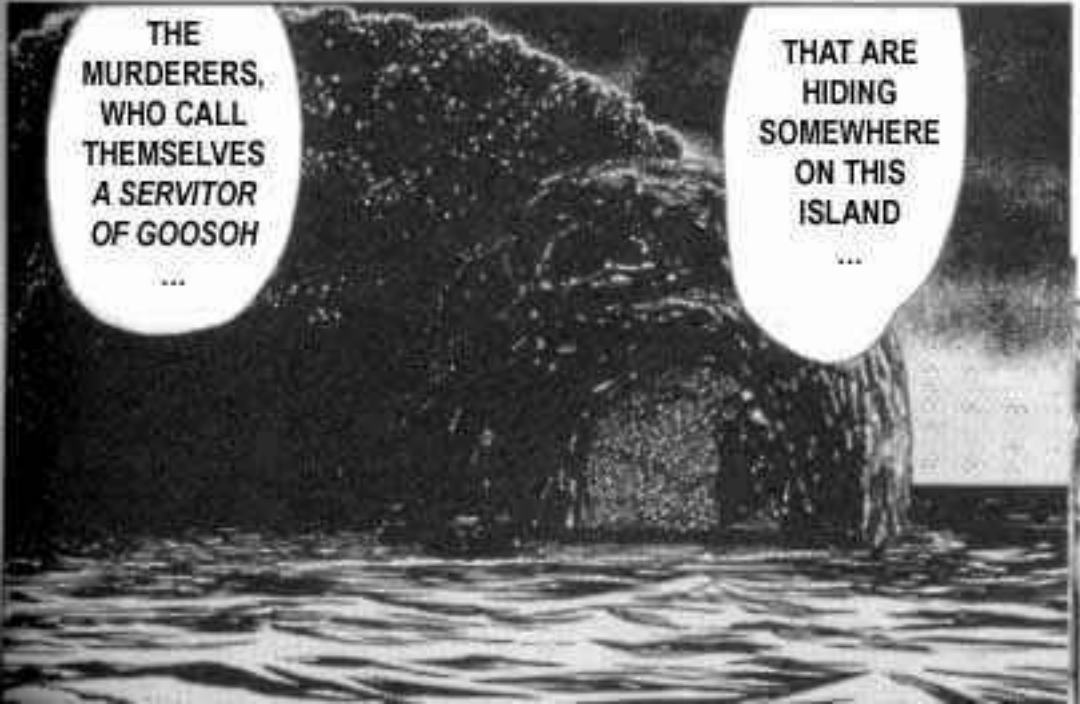
SOMEBODY
HAS BEEN
USING IT AS
AN ASHTRAY
...

TAKE A
LOOK AT
THIS
TEACUP !



YEA... IT
MAY NOT
BE A
PERSON
OR TWO
...

WHICH MEANS SOME
CREEPY STRANGERS
HAVE BEEN UP TO NO
GOOD NOT SO LONG
AGO...



THE
MURDERERS,
WHO CALL
THEMSELVES
A *SERVITOR*
OF GOOSOH
...

THAT ARE
HIDING
SOMEWHERE
ON THIS
ISLAND
...