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**FILE.7**

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**自殺か他殺か？**

**Suicide or Homicide?**



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SO THE  
FACTS  
ARE AS  
SUCH...



AND WHILST IN  
THE COURSE OF EATING  
AN ONIGIRI, SHOWED  
SIGNS OF GREAT  
PAIN, AND  
COLLAPSED,

AND WAS  
SOON  
DEAD...

THE DECEASED,  
KIMURA TATSUYA,  
RETURNED TO  
HIS SEAT AFTER  
SINGING HIS OWN  
SONG,



THAT'S  
RIGHT...

HYDRO-  
CYANIC  
ACID?!



THE CAUSE  
OF DEAD WAS  
PROBABLY  
POISONING BY  
HYDROCYANIC  
ACID....

Y,  
YES...





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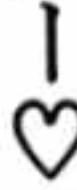




CONAN-KUN?!



YUMMY!



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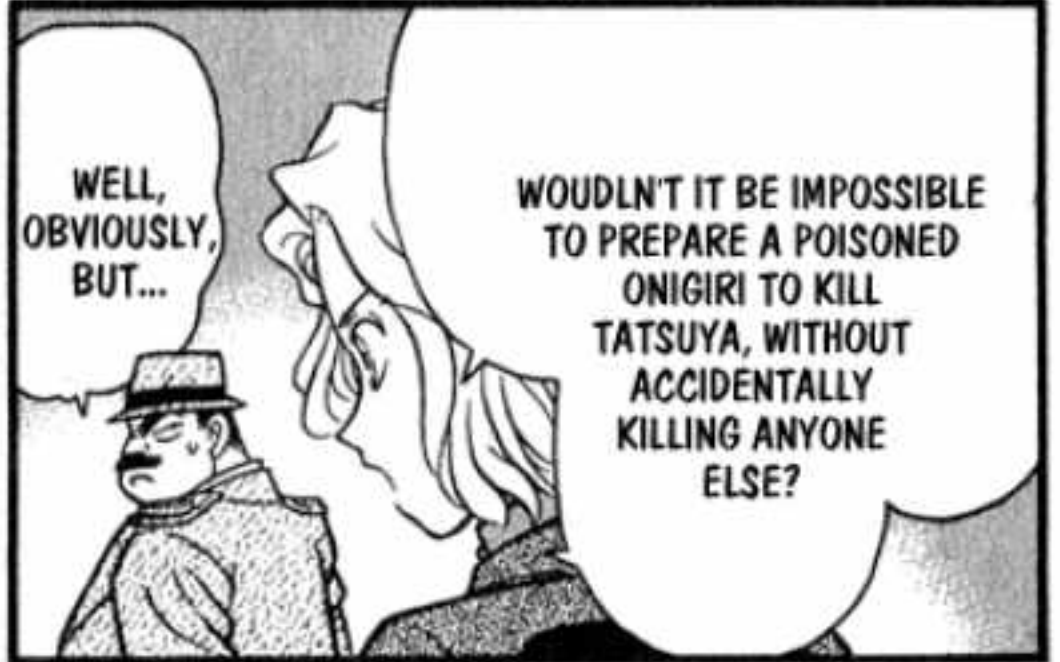
THE CHILD IS RIGHT,

THERE'S NO POISON IN IT!  
WE WERE ALL EATING THIS FOOD...



AH, YES... I WAS THE ONE WHO GAVE IT TO HIM...

WHO WAS THE ONE WHO OFFERED HIM THE ONIGIRI AND PASSED IT TO HIM?



WELL, OBVIOUSLY, BUT...

WOULDN'T IT BE IMPOSSIBLE TO PREPARE A POISONED ONIGIRI TO KILL TATSUYA, WITHOUT ACCIDENTALLY KILLING ANYONE ELSE?

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BUT YOU CERTAINLY HAD A CHANCE TO POISON IT...

HOW COULD I HAVE KNOWN HE WAS GOING TO ASK ME FOR ONE!!



TATSUYA TOLD ME TO GIVE HIM AN ONIGIRI!!

W-WHAT THE...

AND YOU DIDN'T TAKE THE CHANCE TO POISON IT BEFORE GIVING IT TO HIM?



FROM KIMUYA TATSUYA'S STOMACH WE HAVE FOUND TRACES OF HYDROCYANIC ACID, AND HAVE CONFIRMED THAT IT WAS THE CAUSE OF DEATH...

AHH, THE OFFICIAL RESULTS ARE AS SUCH...

TO THE TIME HE FINISHED AND ATE THE ONIGIRI...  
THE KILLER MANAGED TO POISON HIM AT SOME POINT FROM THE TIME HE STARTED SINGING,

IT WE TAKE YOUR TESIMONY THAT HE ATE RIGHT AFTER HE SANG INTO ACCOUNT,

FURTHERMORE, WE FOUND TRACKES ON HIS RIGHT HAND AND CLOTHES, BUT NO TRACES ON THE FOOD OR TABLEWARE,

BUT DIDN'T I ALREADY TELL YOU? HE ASKED FOR THE ONIGIRI...  
IT WOULD LEAVE ONLY YOU TWO BAND MEMBERS WHO COULD HAVE POISONED HIM...

IF WE REMOVE THE MANAGER, WHO LEFT HER SEAT TO MAKE A PHONE CALL, THE OWNER WHO WAS IN THE KITCHEN,  
AND THE MOTIVE-LESS RAN-KUN, SONOKO-KUN AND CONAN-KUN...

THE MIKE?!  
BECAUSE WE FOUND THE AVID ON THE MIKE AS WELL...  
HEHEHE... I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU DIDNT POISON THE ONIGIRI..





SHIBAZAKI  
MIEKO-SAN...

AND THE ONLY  
ONE WHO COULD  
HAVE DONE  
THAT WAS  
THE ONE WHO  
SANG DIRECTLY  
BEFORE HE  
DID...



BASICALLY, THE  
MURDERER  
SPREAD THE ACID  
ON THE MIKE,  
AND IT CAME  
DIRECTLY IN  
CONTACT WITH  
HIS HAND...

YES... IF THE MIKE  
WAS POISONED,  
THE SUBSTANCE  
WOULD ALREADY BE  
ON HIS RIGHT HAND,  
BEFORE HE STARTED  
EATING THE  
ONIGIRI...



THAT  
WOULD  
BE YOU!!



!?

FOR  
INSTANCE,  
HE DUMPED  
YOU, OR...



MAYBE SOMETHING  
COULD HAVE HAPPENED  
BETWEEN YOU TWO?

IT APPEARS YOU  
WERE CRYING WHEN  
YOU SANG THE SONG  
TATSUYA  
REQUESTED...



I WASN'T  
DUMPED BY  
TATSUYA...

IF YOU ARE  
ONLY GOING  
TO ASK  
DEMEANING  
QUESTIONS...



PLEASE,  
INSPECTOR!!

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MEIKO...



HE REJECTED ME FROM THE START!!



I'M IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE ELSE...

SORRY, MEIKO...

WHEN I TOLD HIM HOW I FELT, THIS IS WHAT HE SAID...

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HE TOLD ME...

SO...



IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE?

HE COULDN'T GO OUT WITH ME!!



I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR HER TO RETURN...

SHE'S GONE SOMEWHERE, BUT...

WAITING AND WAITING...



THAT SONG MEIKO WAS SINGING WAS REQUESTED BY TATSUYA!!

PLEASE THINK THIS OVER INSPECTOR!!

BUT FROM THE SITUATION, YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE WHO...



NO!! I DIDN'T KILL HIM!!

SO FOR REVENGE, YOU PUT THE POISON ON THE MIKE...



UM, WHEN TATSUYA-SAN SANG THAT SONG 'BLOODY VENUS', WHO REQUESTED IT?

WELL, YOU'RE CERTAINLY RIGHT, BUT...



SO THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANY WAY SHE COULD HAVE COATED THE MICROPHONE WITH ANY POISON!!

THEREFORE, THERE WAS NO WAY SHE COULD HAVE KNOWN SHE WOULD BE SINGING, AND THAT TATSUYA WOULD SING AFTER HER!



'HEY, IT'S MY SONG! DID SOMEONE REQUEST IT?'

REMEMBER WHAT HE SAID WHEN IT CAME ON...

EH?



INSPECTOR!!

HE WAS SO WASTED, HE PROBABLY FORGOT HE PUT IT IN...



MAYBE HE DID IT HIMSELF...

YOU DON'T KNOW?

UM,



YES! I THINK IT'S PROBABLY ACID MIXED WITH CREAM...

SMELLS LIKE HYDRO-CYANIC ACID...



THIS CASE!

WE FOUND THIS, IN THE VICTIM'S CAR OUTSIDE OF THE KARAOKE BOX!!



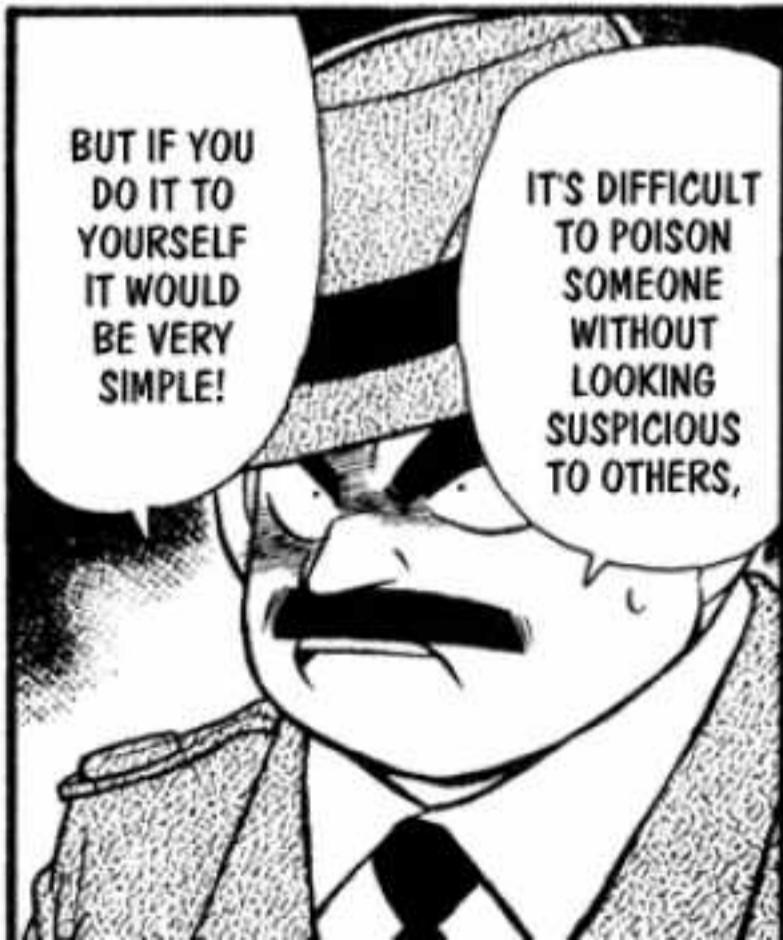
IT, IT CAN'T BE...

IF THIS WAS IN THE VICTIM'S CAR...



EEH?!

SUICIDE?!

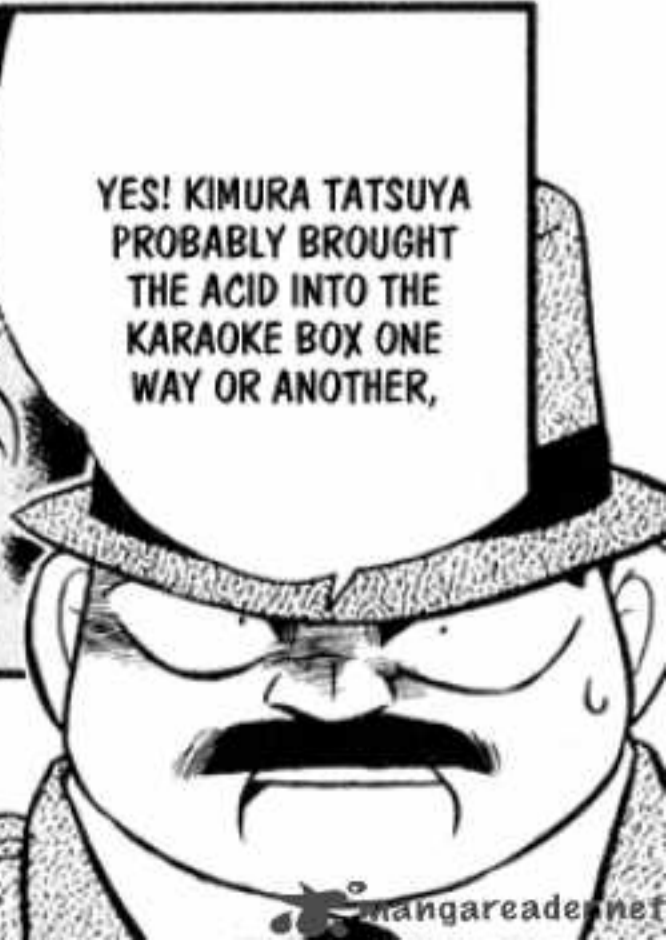


BUT IF YOU DO IT TO YOURSELF IT WOULD BE VERY SIMPLE!

IT'S DIFFICULT TO POISON SOMEONE WITHOUT LOOKING SUSPICIOUS TO OTHERS,



STUCK IT ON HIS HAND AT THE RIGHT TIME, AND KILLED HIMSELF!!



YES! KIMURA TATSUYA PROBABLY BROUGHT THE ACID INTO THE KARAOKE BOX ONE WAY OR ANOTHER,



TO SEE IF HE LEFT ANY TYPE OF WILL OR LAST TESTAMENT!!

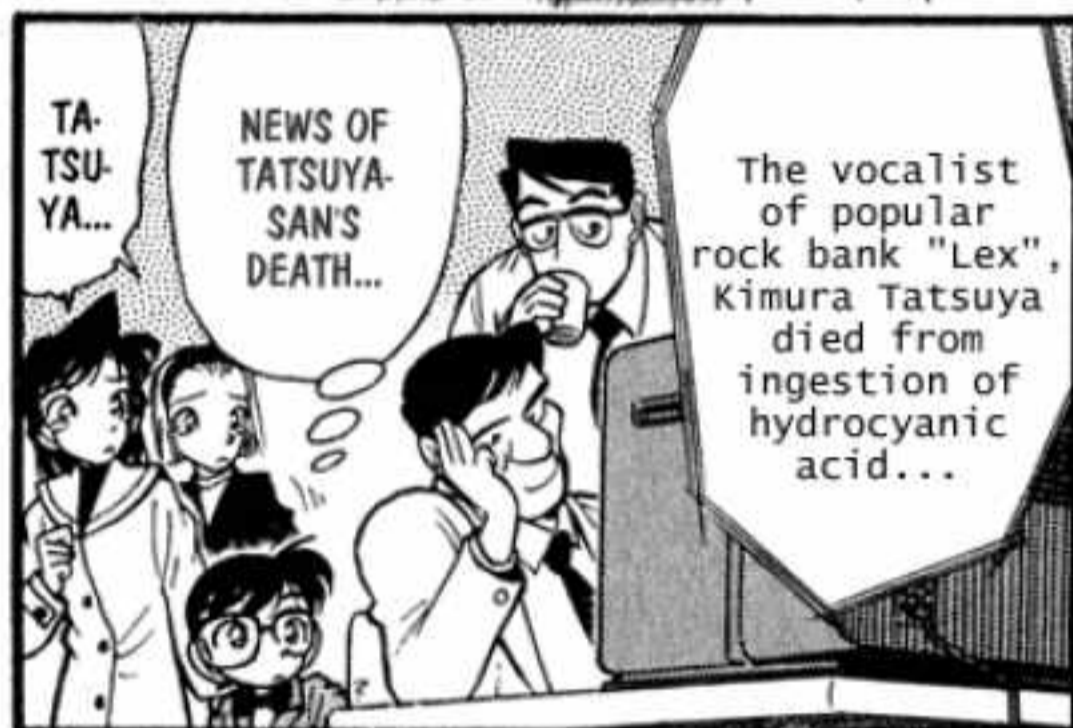
VERY WELL, SEARCH THE VICTIM'S HOUSE AND OFFICE,





IF THAT WAS  
A FACE OF  
SOMEONE  
DETERMINED  
TO KILL HIMSELF,  
THEN...

THAT SAD  
FACE HE  
SHOWED ME  
FOR A MOMENT,  
JUST BEFORE  
HE SANG...



TA-  
TSU-  
YA...

NEWS OF  
TATSUYA-  
SAN'S  
DEATH...

The vocalist  
of popular  
rock band "Lex",  
Kimura Tatsuya  
died from  
ingestion of  
hydrocyanic  
acid...



'CAUSE THE  
MEDIA'S SO  
DAMN FAST  
NOWADAYS...

WHOA,  
IT'S ALREADY  
ON THERE...



HE ALWAYS  
STARTS  
'BLOODY VENUS'  
THAT WAY...

YEAH...

HEY... DOES  
TATSUYA-SAN  
ALWAYS THROW  
OFF HIS JACKET  
BEFORE HE  
SINGS?



HMM...



!?



COULD IT BE...

WAIT A MOMENT...



UH NO, WE DIDN'T FIND ANY TRACES ON THE JUMPER...

AND WAS THERE ANY ON HIS JUMPER?



IT WAS... NEAR THE LEFT ELBOW, I BELIEVE...



H, HEY INSPECTOR-SAN! DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU FOUND THE ACID ON HIS CLOTHES TOO?!

Y, YES...

WHERE ON HIS CLOTHES, EXACTLY?



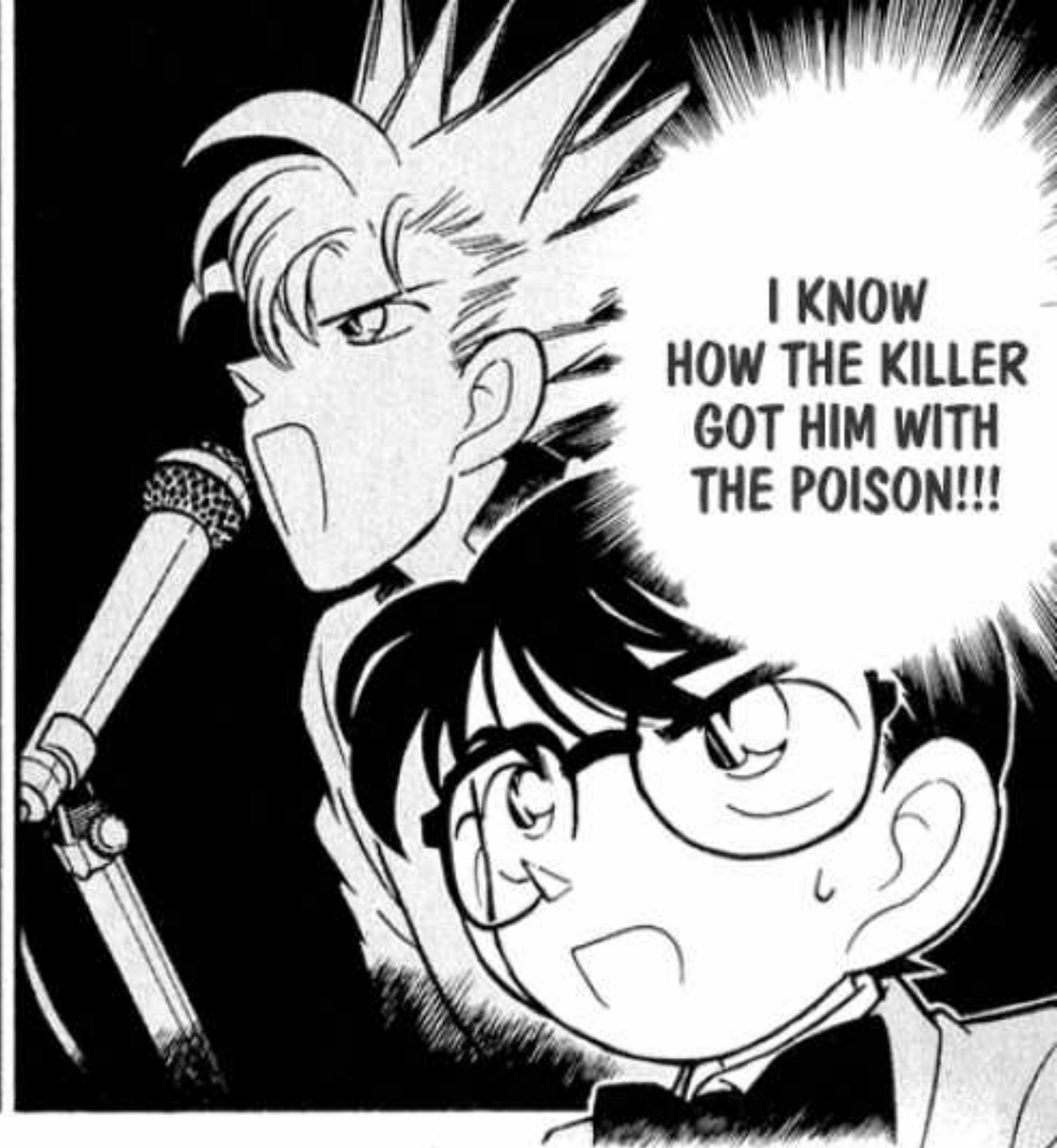
I'VE GOT IT!!

THAT'S IT...



IF THIS TRICK WAS USED, IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO OPISON TATSUYA-SAN BY MAKING HIM SING THAT SONG...

AND IT WOULD CLEAR THE MYSTERY OF HOW HIS LIGHTER DISAPPEARED...



I KNOW HOW THE KILLER GOT HIM WITH THE POISON!!!



BY THE ONE WHO REQUESTED 'BLOODY VENUS'...

NO... HE DIDN'T COMMIT SUICIDE...

HE WAS MURDERED!!



BY ONE OF US!!!