

ファイル  
FILE.10

# アリバイは完璧!?

A Perfect Alibi!?





WELL  
!  
...



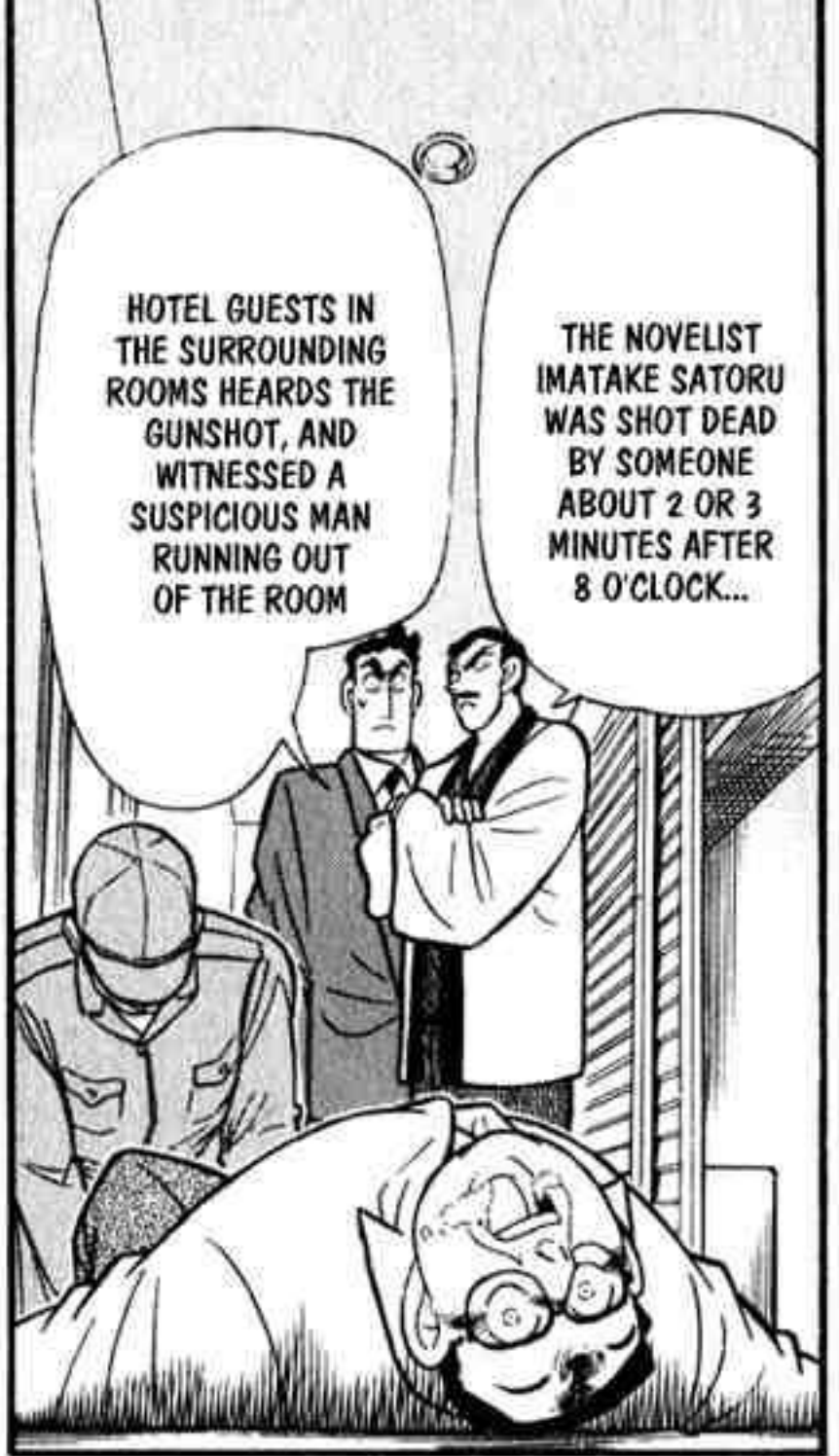
2





HE DID INDEED MEET US AT THE FESTIVAL, AND HAD RAN TAKE A NUMBER OF PHOTOS FOR HIM...

HOWEVER, SASAI-SAN HAS SAID THAT HE WAS AT THE TENKAICHI SPRING FESTIVAL AT 8 O'CLOCK...



HOTEL GUESTS IN THE SURROUNDING ROOMS HEARDS THE GUNSHOT, AND WITNESSED A SUSPICIOUS MAN RUNNING OUT OF THE ROOM

THE NOVELIST IMATAKE SATORU WAS SHOT DEAD BY SOMEONE ABOUT 2 OR 3 MINUTES AFTER 8 O'CLOCK...



YES... IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO TAKE A CAR FROM THIS HOTEL TO THE FESTIVAL GROUNDS IN 40 MINUTES...

HOWEVER, THAT WAS AFTER 8:40...



TAKE A LOOK!! THE LETTER 'TEN' IS IN THE BACKGROUND, WHICH IS LIT AT 8 O'CLOCK AND DISAPPEARS 25 MINUTES LATER!!

BUT HE TOOK PHOTOS BEFORE HE MET US...

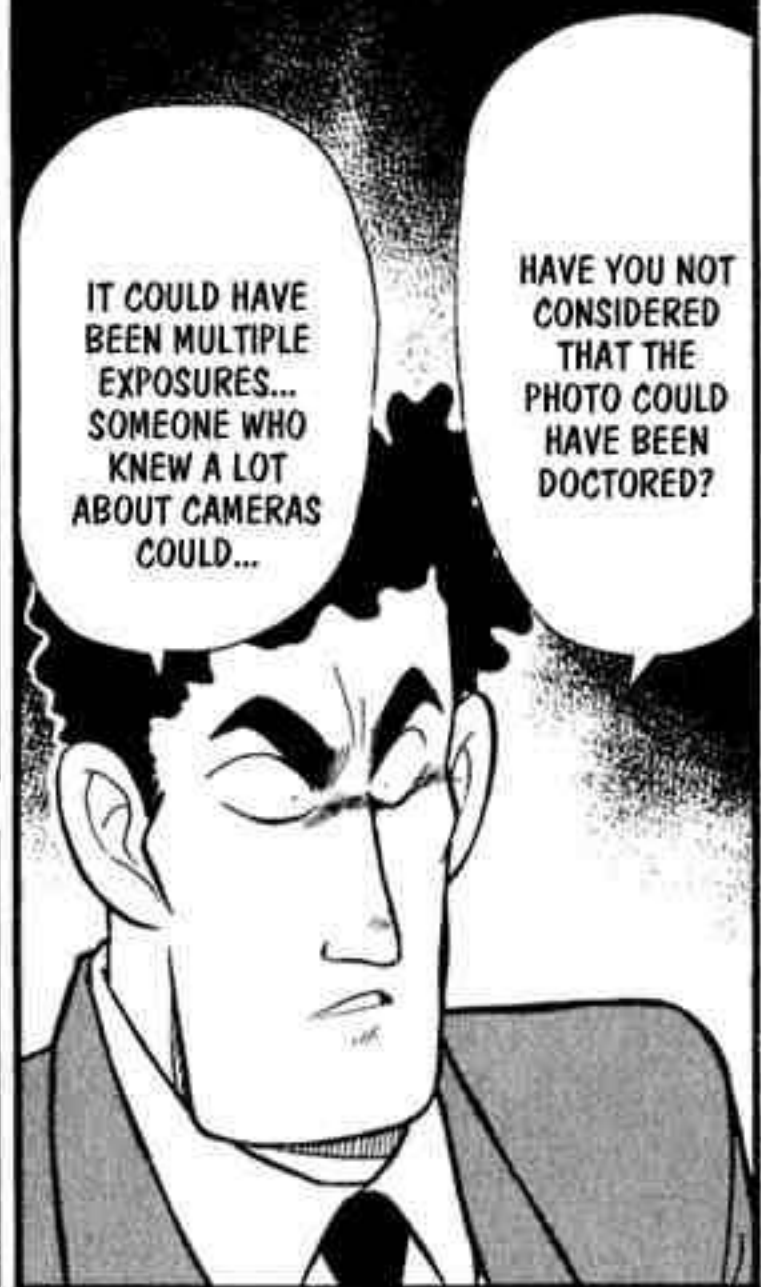


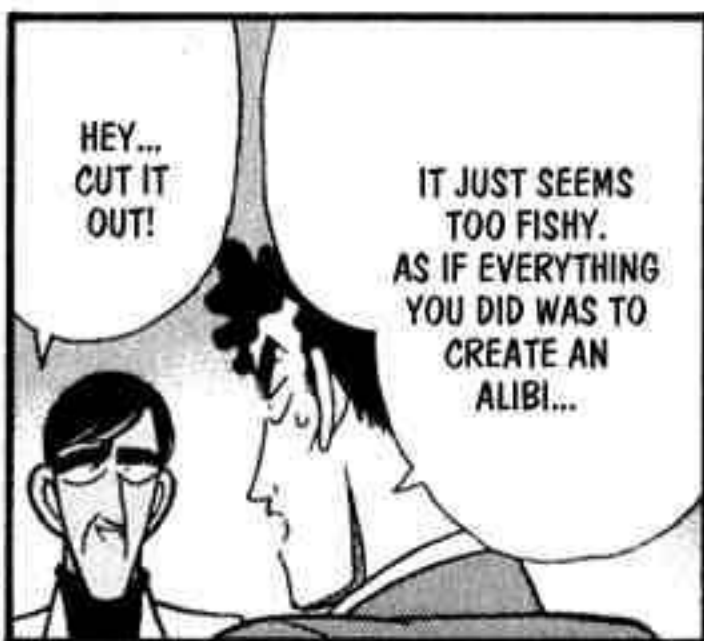
B, BUT...

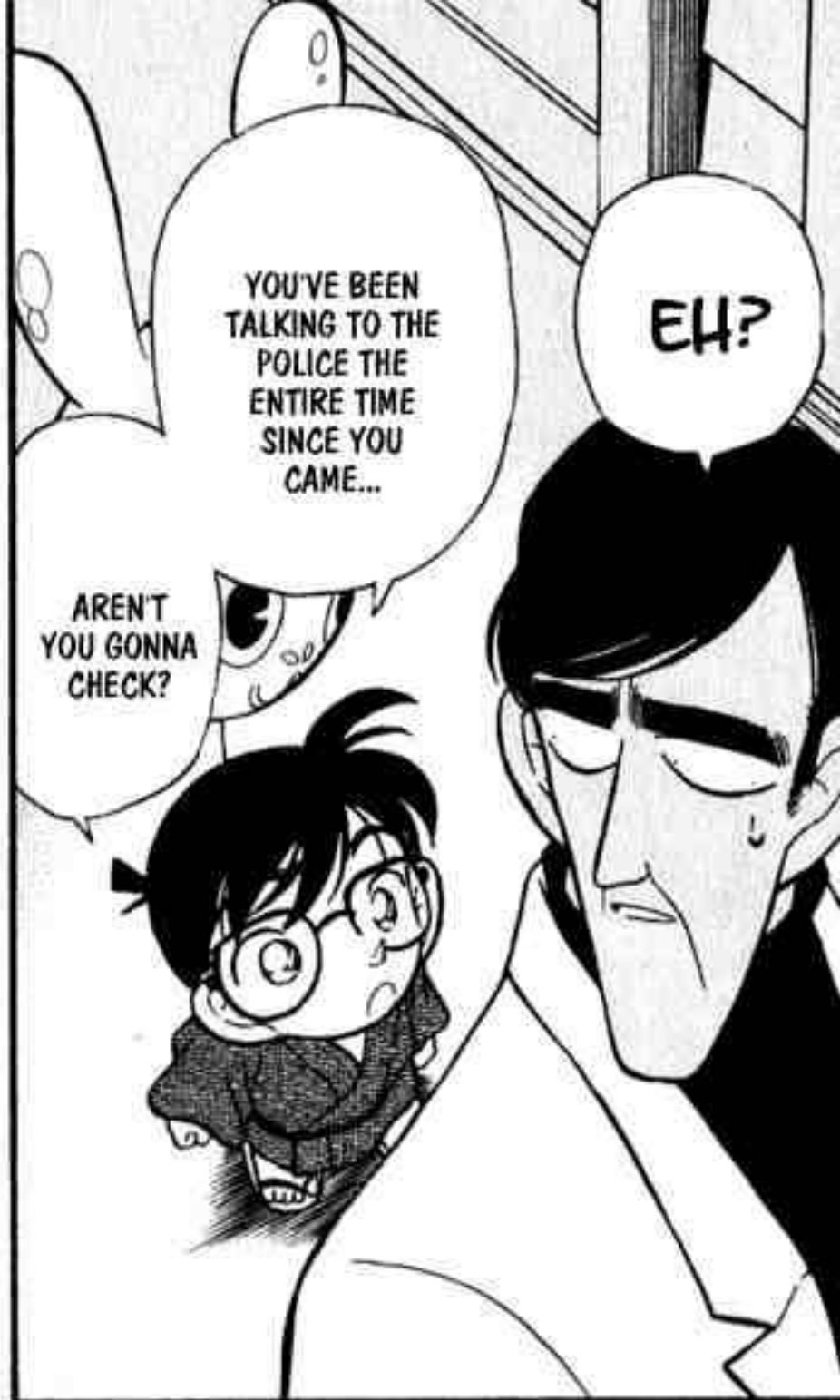
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO GET TO THE FESTIVAL FROM THIS HOTEL IN 25 MINUTES... SO IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO HAVE COMMITTED THE CRIME!!



THAT IS, THIS PHOTO PROVES THAT SASAI-SAN WAS AT THE FESTIVAL BEFORE 8:25!!







6



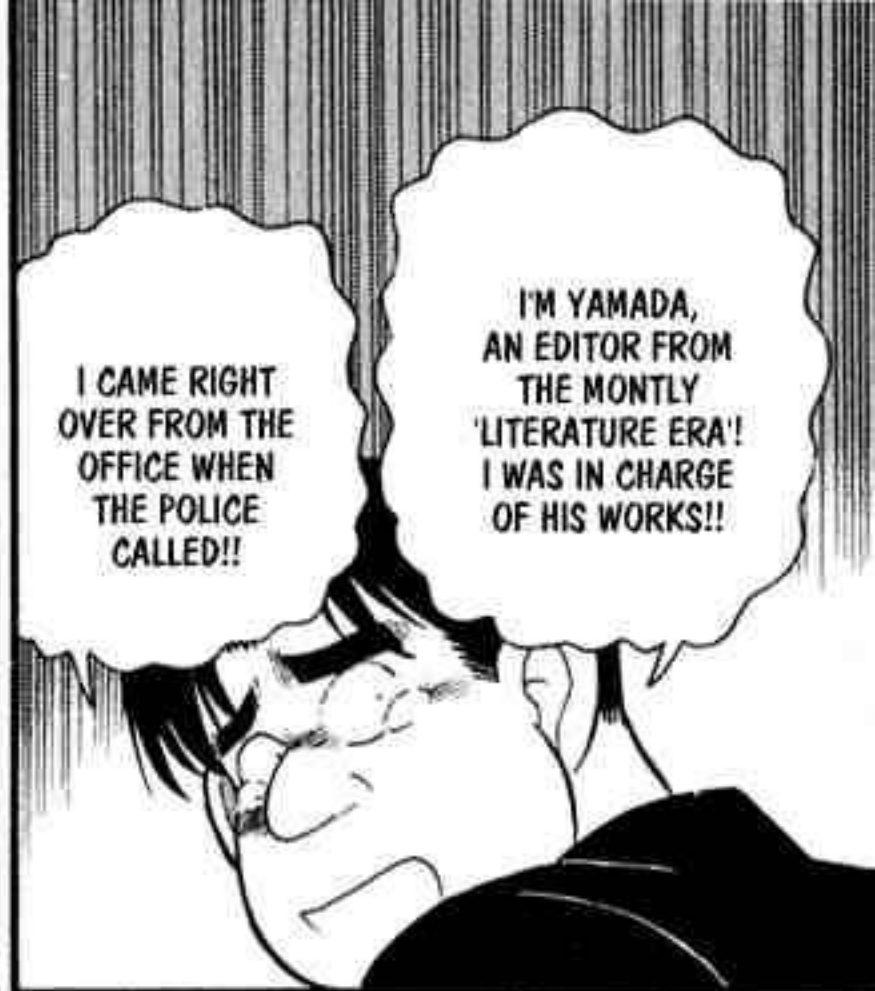




RIGHT...  
THE NOVEL  
THAT  
STARTED  
A YEAR  
AGO...

'LITERATURE ERA'  
IS THE MAGAZINE THAT  
IMATAKE'S 'BRAVE  
SWORD LEGEND' WAS  
BEING SERIALIZED IN!

BUT  
THIS IS  
IMPOS-  
SIBLE...



I CAME RIGHT  
OVER FROM THE  
OFFICE WHEN  
THE POLICE  
CALLED!!

I'M YAMADA,  
AN EDITOR FROM  
THE MONTHLY  
'LITERATURE ERA'!  
I WAS IN CHARGE  
OF HIS WORKS!!



BUT I NEVER  
IMAGINED  
ANYTHING  
LIKE THIS  
COULD  
HAPPEN...

WELL, I THOUGHT WE'D  
SPEND A NIGHT ON THE  
TOWN CELEBRATING HIS  
RECEPTION OF THE  
NAOMOTO AWARD,  
SO I DRAGGED HIM  
OUT HERE...



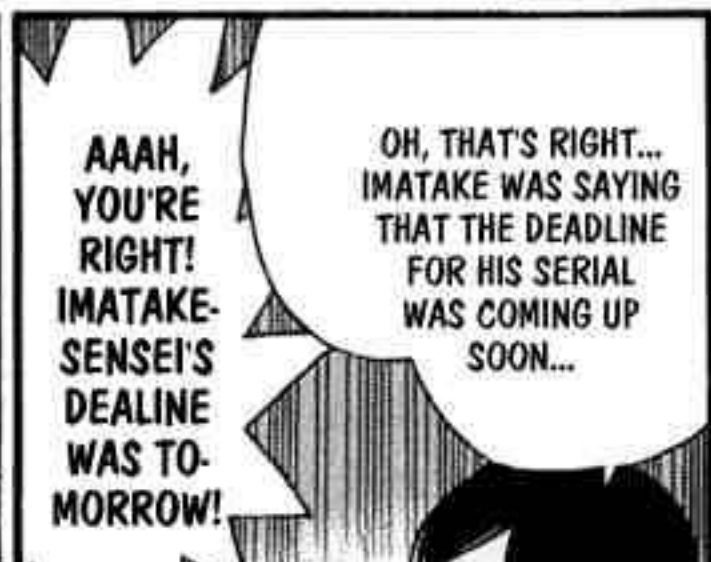
YES...

THEN YOU  
MUST BE  
SASAI-SENSEI!

WHY  
ARE YOU  
HERE?



THIS IS AWFUL...  
I CAN'T GET ANY OTHER  
AUTHORS TO WRITE  
SOMETHING IN TIME...  
AND THERE'S NOTHING  
TO MAKE UP FOR  
THE LOSS OF...



AAAH,  
YOU'RE  
RIGHT!  
IMATAKE-  
SENSEI'S  
DEADLINE  
WAS TO-  
MORROW!

OH, THAT'S RIGHT...  
IMATAKE WAS SAYING  
THAT THE DEADLINE  
FOR HIS SERIAL  
WAS COMING UP  
SOON...



EH?

AH,  
WELL...







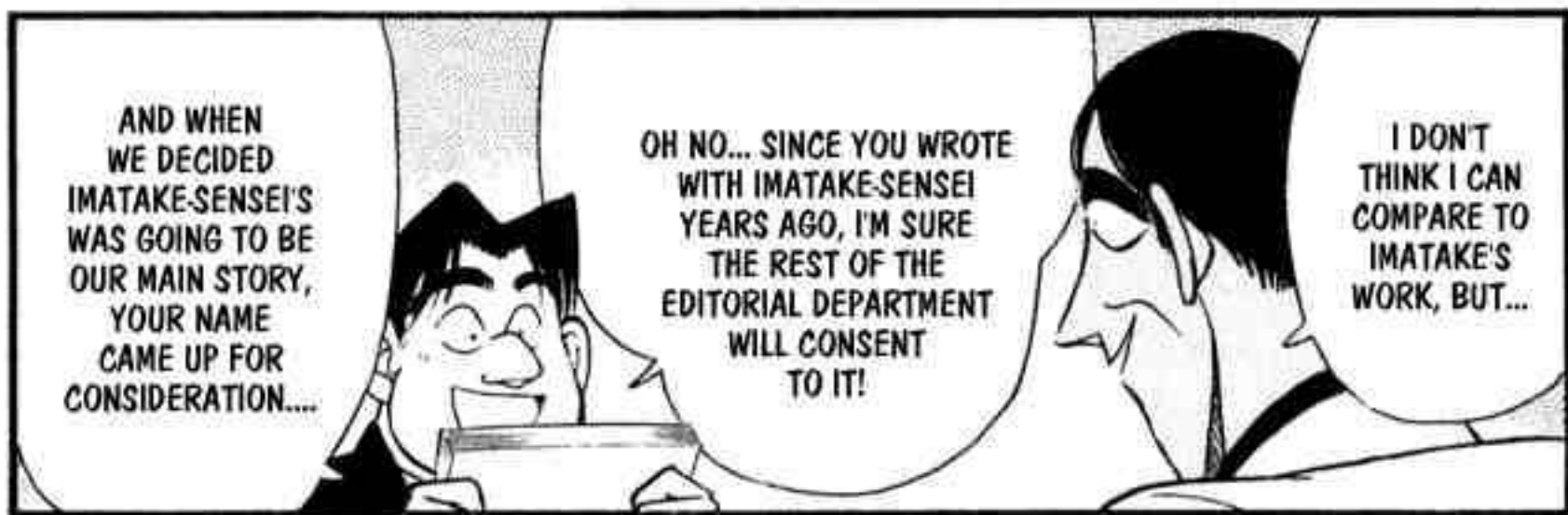
WHY DON'T YOU USE THIS?



SOMETHING I WROTE A LITTLE WHILE AGO...

WHAT'S THIS...?

IMATAKE KEPT BUGGING ME TO SHOW IT TO HIM, SO I ACTUALLY BROUGHT IT TODAY...



AND WHEN WE DECIDED IMATAKE-SENSEI'S WAS GOING TO BE OUR MAIN STORY, YOUR NAME CAME UP FOR CONSIDERATION....

OH NO... SINCE YOU WROTE WITH IMATAKE-SENSEI YEARS AGO, I'M SURE THE REST OF THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT WILL CONSENT TO IT!

I DON'T THINK I CAN COMPARE TO IMATAKE'S WORK, BUT...



IS THERE'S ANY WAY...

WELL, I DON'T KNOW... I'VE GOT OTHER WORK TO DEAL WITH RIGHT NOW...



IF YOU WOULD CONSIDER WRITING IT FOR 'LITERATURE ERA'...

BUT ARE YOU SURE? IT'S JUST THE PROLOGUE OF A LONG, LONG WORK!





YEAH...  
A CLEAN FREAK,  
ALL RIGHT...  
HE WAS ALWAYS  
SHAVING  
BEFORE HE  
WENT OUT...

HOW  
WAS HE?  
DID HE LIKE  
TO STAY  
CLEAN?  
OR WAS HE  
A SLOB?



THAT BRAT  
AGAIN...

Y,  
YEAH...

HEY MISTER!!  
YOU SAID YOU  
WERE IMATAKE-  
SAN'S OLD  
FRIEND,  
RIGHT?

THEN...  
DO YOU KNOW  
WHAT KIND OF  
PERSON HE  
WAS?



WHY DON'T  
YOU TELL  
ME OVER  
HERE...

WHAT'S SO  
STRANGE?



AH,  
WAIT  
BOY!!

I'LL GO  
REPORT  
THIS TO THE  
DETECTIVE!



EH?

THAT'S  
WEIRD...  
IT SHOULDN'T  
BE LIKE  
THAT...



ESPECIALLY  
A CLEAN  
FREAK!!

HAHAHA...  
EVERYONE  
BRUSHES THEIR  
TEETH!



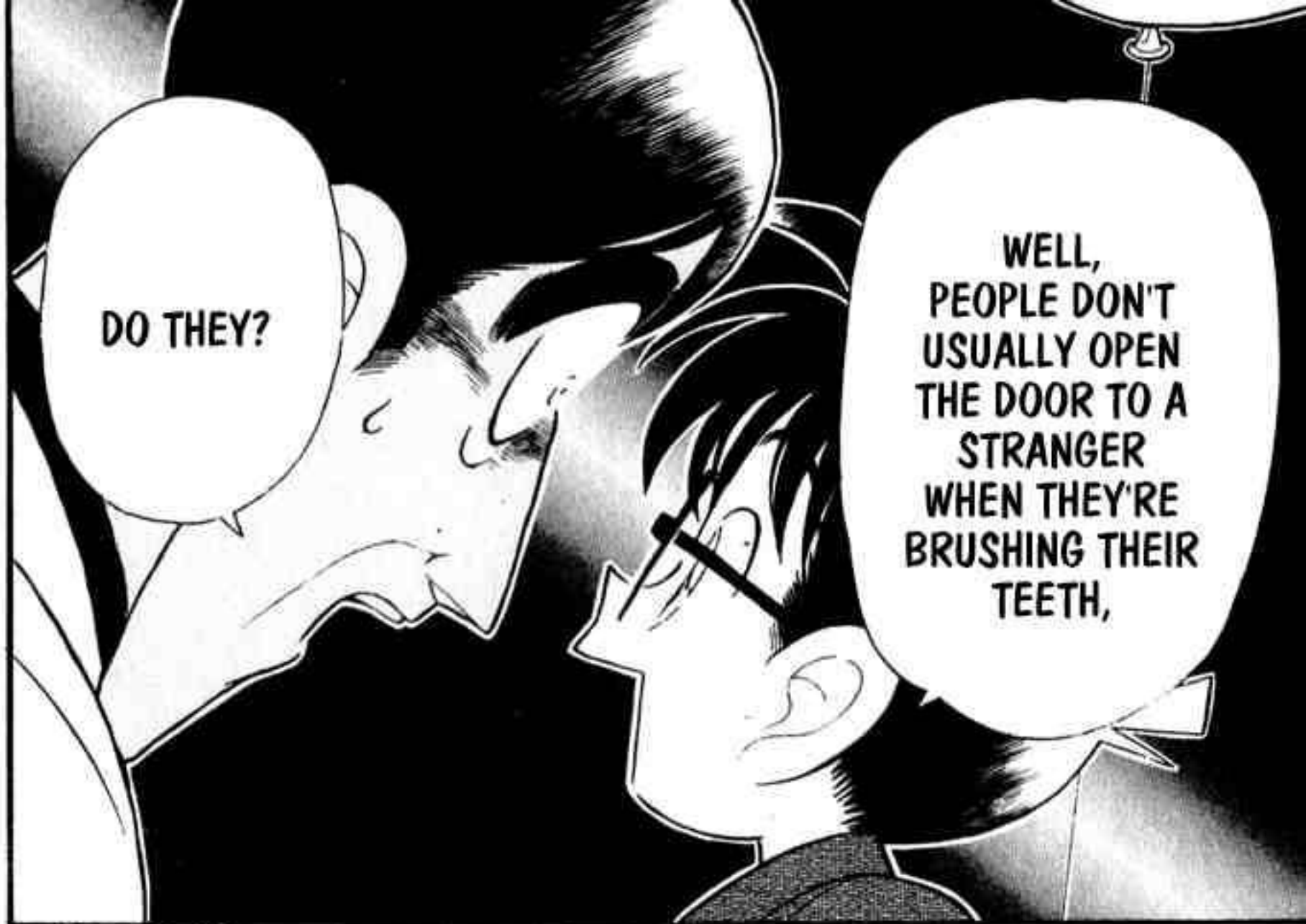
SO HE MUST  
HAVE BEEN  
BRUSHING HIS  
TEETH BEFORE  
HE GOT KILLED,  
RIGHT...

DO YOU SEE THE  
TOOTHPASTE ON HIS  
MOUTH? AND THEY  
SAID HIS TOOTHBRUSH  
WAS ON THE GROUND  
NEARBY...



Y,  
YEAH...

BUT HE GOT SHOT  
THE MOMENT HE  
OPENED THE DOOR,  
RIGHT?



DO THEY?

WELL,  
PEOPLE DON'T  
USUALLY OPEN  
THE DOOR TO A  
STRANGER  
WHEN THEY'RE  
BRUSHING THEIR  
TEETH,



THE BOY IS  
CERTAINLY  
CORRECT...

WHA?!

12



IF YOU THINK OF IT THAT WAY,  
THE KILLER MUST HAVE BEEN  
SOMEONE FAMILIAR WHO HAD  
ARRANGED TO MEET  
HIM HERE...

IF SOMEONE SHOWED  
UP UNEXPECTED,  
HE WOULDN'T  
MEET THEM LIKE  
THAT!

OR,  
ON THE  
OTHER  
HAND...



!?





AND THEN KILLED IMATAKE-SAN...

HE TRASHED THE ROOM TO MAKE IT SEEM LIKE A ROBBERY,



THIS IS THE KILLER!

I'M POSITIVE NOW...



IN PLENTY OF TIME FOR HIM TO GET THERE AFTER COMMITTING THE MURDER

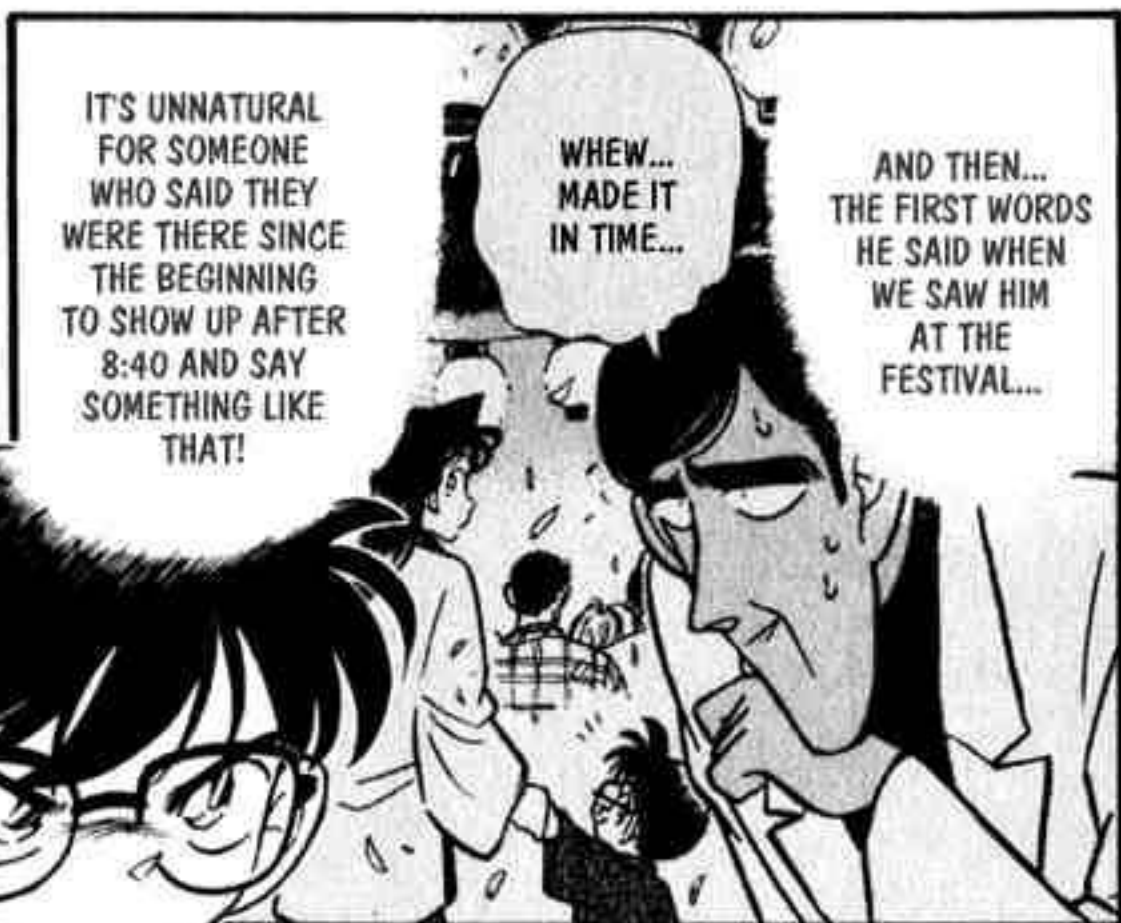
WE MET HIM AT THE FESTIVAL AFTER 8:40...

14



THE STATE OF THE ROOM, HIS BEHAVIOUR, IT ALL POINTS TO HIM BEING THE KILLER...

IT'S HIM...



IT'S UNNATURAL FOR SOMEONE WHO SAID THEY WERE THERE SINCE THE BEGINNING TO SHOW UP AFTER 8:40 AND SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT!

WHEW... MADE IT IN TIME...

AND THEN... THE FIRST WORDS HE SAID WHEN WE SAW HIM AT THE FESTIVAL...

IT SAYS  
THAT HE WAS  
HERE BEFORE  
8:25...



BUT HE  
HAS THAT  
PHOTO!!

A  
PERFECT  
ALIBI!!!



HOW, WITH NO  
TAMPERING  
WITH THE FILM  
OR CAMERA?



HOW...

HOW COULD  
HE HAVE  
TAKEN THAT  
PHOTO?!

JUST A  
LITTLE CLUE  
TO BREAK  
DOWN HIS  
ALIBI...



DAMN, THERE  
MUST BE  
SOMETHING...

A PICTURE  
AFTER 8:40  
DOESN'T MAKE  
ANY ALIBI...

AND HE  
EVEN MADE  
RAN TAKE A  
PICTURE OF  
HIM ON  
PURPOSE...

SOME  
KIND OF  
CLUE!!



THINK, THINK,  
BACK WHEN  
YOU MET HIM...





16









HE IS  
DEFINITELY  
THE KILLER...

I'VE  
FIGURED  
OUT THE  
TRICK!!

AND  
THIS...

18



WAS A  
PLANNED  
MURDER!!!

名探偵コナン 6・完