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Choosing a Groom







AKECHI KOGOROU IS THE DETECTIVE IN A FAMOUS JAPANESE DETECTIVE SERIES.





ISN'T THAT RIGHT, MR. MOURI?

IT IS BUT ONE OF MANY SKILLS THE GREAT DETECTIVE USES IN ORDER TO TRAP THE WARY, UNDELI-CATED PREY...

Y-YES.



I AGREE COMPLETELY ...

QUITE IMPRES-SIVE.

THE YOUNG LADY SAW THAT.....



HAVEN'T YOU HEARD THE SAYING, "THE WISEST HAWK HIDES HER TALONS"?

ROKUDA MASASHI (40)
YOTSUI PRODUCT MANAGER



I WONDER WHAT KIND OF PERSON WILL STEAL HER HEART...

AND SO CLEAR-HEADED!

ON TOP OF THAT, SHE'S SO BEAUTIFUL AND ELEGANT...



SINCE HE'LL BE NEXT IN LINE TO RULE THE YOTSUI GROUP...



HMPH, WHOEVER IT IS, HE'LL BE A HAPPY MAN...



BUT I CAN'T SEE THAT THIS "DETECTIVE" HAS ANY TALENT...

LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE TRYING TO FLATTER THE YOUNG MISS...

MIFUNE TAKIYA (26)
PRESIDENT OF MIFUNE ELECTRONICS



MI-MIFUNE!?

YOU SYCO-PHANTS...



OH, YES...

MR. ELITE TOUNAI GRADUATE!

HEY, YOU AGREE, DON'T YOU?



I'M JUST SAYING WHAT I THINK...

HOW RUDE!!

WHAT!?

OH, HE'S SMART.

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HEH, THIS IS WHY KIDS ARE A PAIN.

Y-YOU...

BILL'S -EYE.



YOU'RE NOT AT ALL HOW I IMAGINED...

I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING A GREAT DETECTIVE TODAY, BUT...

GOJOU OSAMU (24)
GOJOU COMMERCIAL, GENERAL AFFAIRS



FOUND IT!!



BATH...



STORAGE



Click Click

HUH? NO LIGHTS...



IT'S HIGH TIME I WAS MARRIED...

I'M ALREADY 24...

R-REIKA!?



MARRIAGE!?



I INVITED SEVERAL CAPABLE YOUNG MEN TO THIS PARTY...

WITH THAT IN MIND,



AH.

T-TRYING TO USE THE RESTROOM...

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

NANAO YONE (64)
YOTSUI FAMILY MAID



HAS YET TO BE SEEN...

ALTHOUGH... WHETHER OR NOT ANY OF THEM ARE GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME,



BUT I'M SURE I CHANGED THEM JUST A LITTLE WHILE AGO...



ALL THE BULBS IN THIS AREA ARE BURNED OUT...

BUT THAT'S WEIRD...



O-O-KAY.

THE LIGHT BULB IN HERE IS BURNED OUT, GO USE THE OTHER ONE DOWN THERE!



WHY AREN'T THE LIGHTS ON?

I WONDER WHY THIS HALL'S SO DARK...



WHERE'S THE BATHROOM...

UMMM...



BATHROOM.

WHERE'S CONAN-KUN?





I'M SAYING THAT I'LL DRIVE YOU THREE HOME!!

HUH?

HEY, MR. DETECTIVE! GIVE ME YOUR CAR KEYS!!



HEH... DON'T MISUNDERSTAND, M'LADY...

TOO BAD... YOU WERE ONE OF THE CANDIDATES TO BE MY GROOM...

OH, LEAVING SO SOON?



HEH! COUNT ME OUT!!!



OF COURSE, MR. PRESIDENT...

KEEP HER SAFE!!



OH, IF YOU'LL STAY TOO, THEN...

I SUPPOSE I'LL HAVE TO STAY AS WELL, TO PROTECT HER FROM THOSE WOLVES...



SORRY, BUT I HAVE NO INTEREST IN YOU...

THE REASON I CAME HERE TODAY,

WAS TO GET ON YOUR OLD MAN'S GOOD SIDE, SO IT'D BE EASIER TO DO BUSINESS WITH HIM...



HUH?

HER HUSBAND WAS ALREADY CHOSEN, TWO YEARS AGO...



WHAT FOOLS...

PLEASE, COME INSIDE...



NO! NOT UNTIL YOU'RE SOBER...

GUESS WE'LL LEAVE THEN TOO...



WHAT? EVERYONE LEFT!?



KAY...

SO, THAT'S THE STORY! HAND OVER THE KEYS...



WHY STOP HIM?

H-HEY, MIFUNE...

RIGHT, ONE LESS RIVAL...



AND ENJOY OURSELVES...

IN THAT CASE, WHY DON'T WE PLAY CARDS,



THAT'S A GOOD IDEA...

WHY DON'T YOU STAY AND TELL US MORE ABOUT THE CASES YOU'VE SOLVED?

HUH?





SINCE I HAVE A LICENSE...

THIS GUY STEERS!

YES... WE'VE EVEN GONE AROUND NEARBY ISLANDS IN REIKA-SAMA'S CRUISER!!

SO ALL OF YOU WERE IN THE SAME YACHT CLUB!!



WOW



YEAH... IT WAS FUN, ALL RIGHT!

DIVING, FISHING...

WE HAD A LOT OF FUN BACK THEN...



!?

UNTIL THAT ACCIDENT, TWO YEARS AGO.....



IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE, THEN GO!! BUT, I'LL TELL FATHER TO STOP DEALING WITH YOUR COMPANY!!

WH-WHAT...!?



Y-YES, M'LADY ...

BRING ME SOME CLOTHES!!

YONE! I'M GOING TO GO CHANGE!!

WHAT...



WHO CARES! SHE'S CAUSED ENOUGH TROUBLE ALREADY!!

I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED?



OH? I THOUGHT SHE'D CHANGED AND COME BACK A LONG TIME AGO...

COME TO THINK OF IT, THE YOUNG MISTRESS HAS BEEN GONE A LONG TIME...



DIDN'T WE AGREE NOT TO TALK ABOUT THAT?

I-IT WAS A LONG TIME AGO...

ACCI DENT ?



BY CHIRPING! TWEET-TWEET!

YOU SHOULD JUST TRY TO GET YOUR MASTER TO LIKE YOU,

O-HO-HO-HO!



YOU CAN'T EVEN LIVE IF I DON'T FEED YOU...

YOU'RE ALL NOTHING BUT BIRDS IN A CAGE...







THIS ISN'T
A GREAT
PLACE TO
SLEEP...

HEY,
YOU!



WHAT'S
HE
DOING...

ISN'T THAT
NIKAIDOU-
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