

Forever Summer

Chapter 37

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THAT'S...

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!

HAHA, CALM DOWN, SON.
I KNOW YOU'RE EXCITED
TO HAVE HER AS YOUR
GIRLFRIEND.

I KNOW IT SOUNDS IMPOSSIBLE
RIGHT NOW, AND THAT'S WHY
WE NEED TO PREPARE BEFORE
WE ACT, ALRIGHT?

T- THAT'S NOT
WHAT I-

HERE'S WHAT I WANT YOU TO DO. IT WOULD BE REALLY NICE IF YOU CAN GET IN TOUCH WITH HER FIRST.

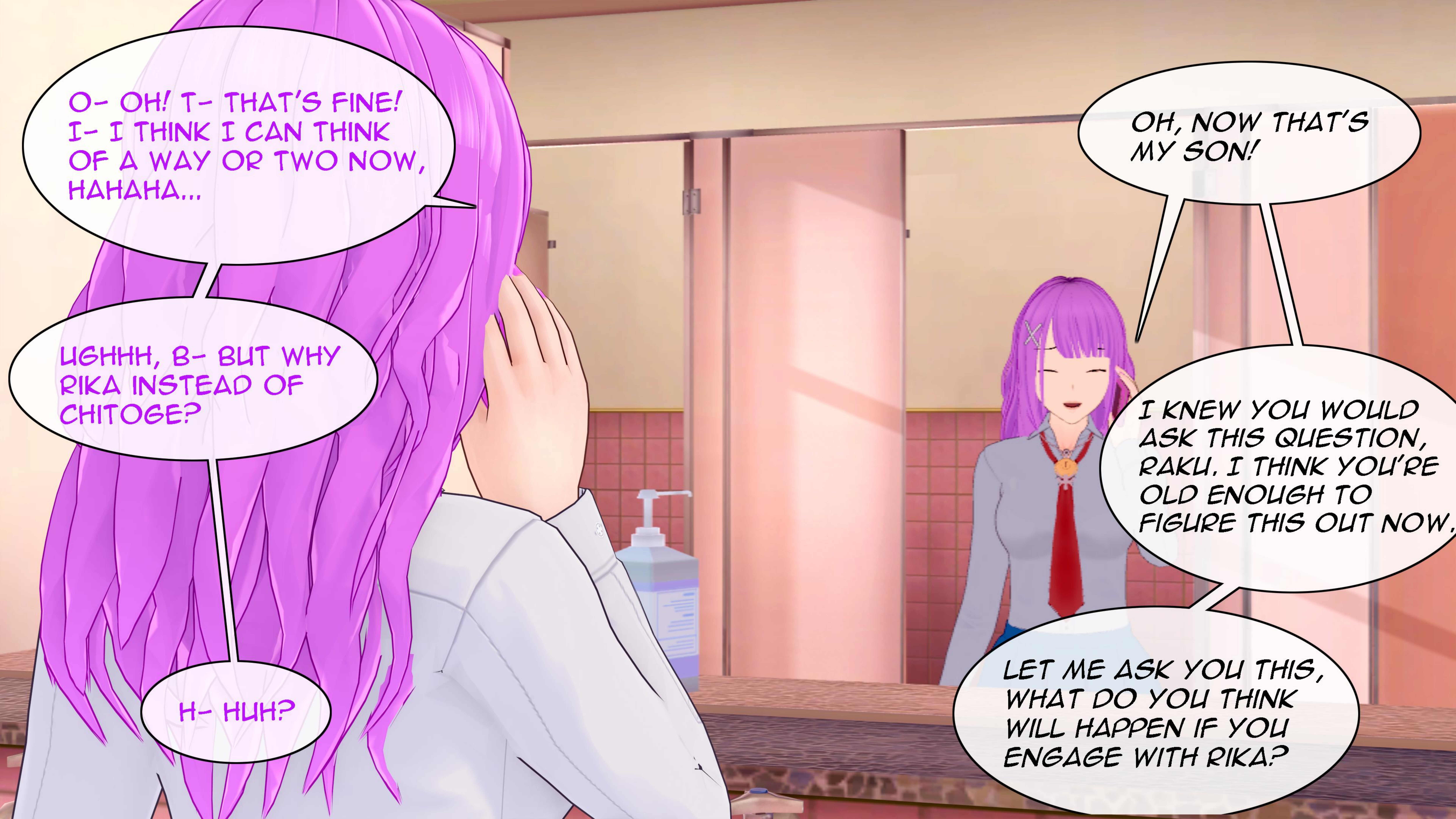
THAT'S RIGHT. IF YOU CAN DO THAT, OUR PLAN WILL GET A LOT SMOOTHER.

WHY DON'T YOU GO TO THE COMPANY SHE'S WORKING FOR? TELL THEM THAT YOU'RE THE SON OF ICHIJO CLAN, AND I'M SURE THEY'LL HELP.

WHAT...? L- LIKE IN PERSON?

B- B- BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW, DAD.

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O- OH! T- THAT'S FINE!
I- I THINK I CAN THINK
OF A WAY OR TWO NOW,
HAHAHA...

LIGHHH, B- BUT WHY
RIKA INSTEAD OF
CHITOGÉ?

H- HUH?

OH, NOW THAT'S
MY SON!

I KNEW YOU WOULD
ASK THIS QUESTION,
RAKU. I THINK YOU'RE
OLD ENOUGH TO
FIGURE THIS OUT NOW.

LET ME ASK YOU THIS,
WHAT DO YOU THINK
WILL HAPPEN IF YOU
ENGAGE WITH RIKA?

W- WHAT WILL HAPPEN...?
RIKA AND ME? I... EH?
I- I DON'T KNOW!

SIGH LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE
STILL NOT SUITABLE TO BE
THE HEAD OF THE CLAN
YET, RAKU.

WELL, THINK ABOUT THIS.
THE CITY YOU ARE IN IS
AIKO TERRITORY, RIGHT?

HOW AM I SUPPOSED
TO KNOW THAT??

LIGH, S- SORRY.
BUT CAN YOU TELL
ME NOW?

YEAH...?



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BUT IF YOU ENGAGE WITH
HER DAUGHTER...
THEN IT'S NOT JUST HER
TERRITORY ANYMORE. IT'S
"OUR" TERRITORY.

AND IF EVERYTHING GOES
RIGHT, WE COULD START
EXPAND OUR INFLUENCE
THERE AS WELL. GENIUS,
RIGHT?!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN
"THAT'S IT?"? THIS IS
OUR CHANCE TO TAKE OUR
GLORY BACK, RAKU.

W- WHAT?

H- HUH??
T- THAT'S IT?

OUR GLORY...?



YEAH, JUST IMAGINE HOW MANY PLACES WE CAN "HELP" WITH OUR POLICIES.

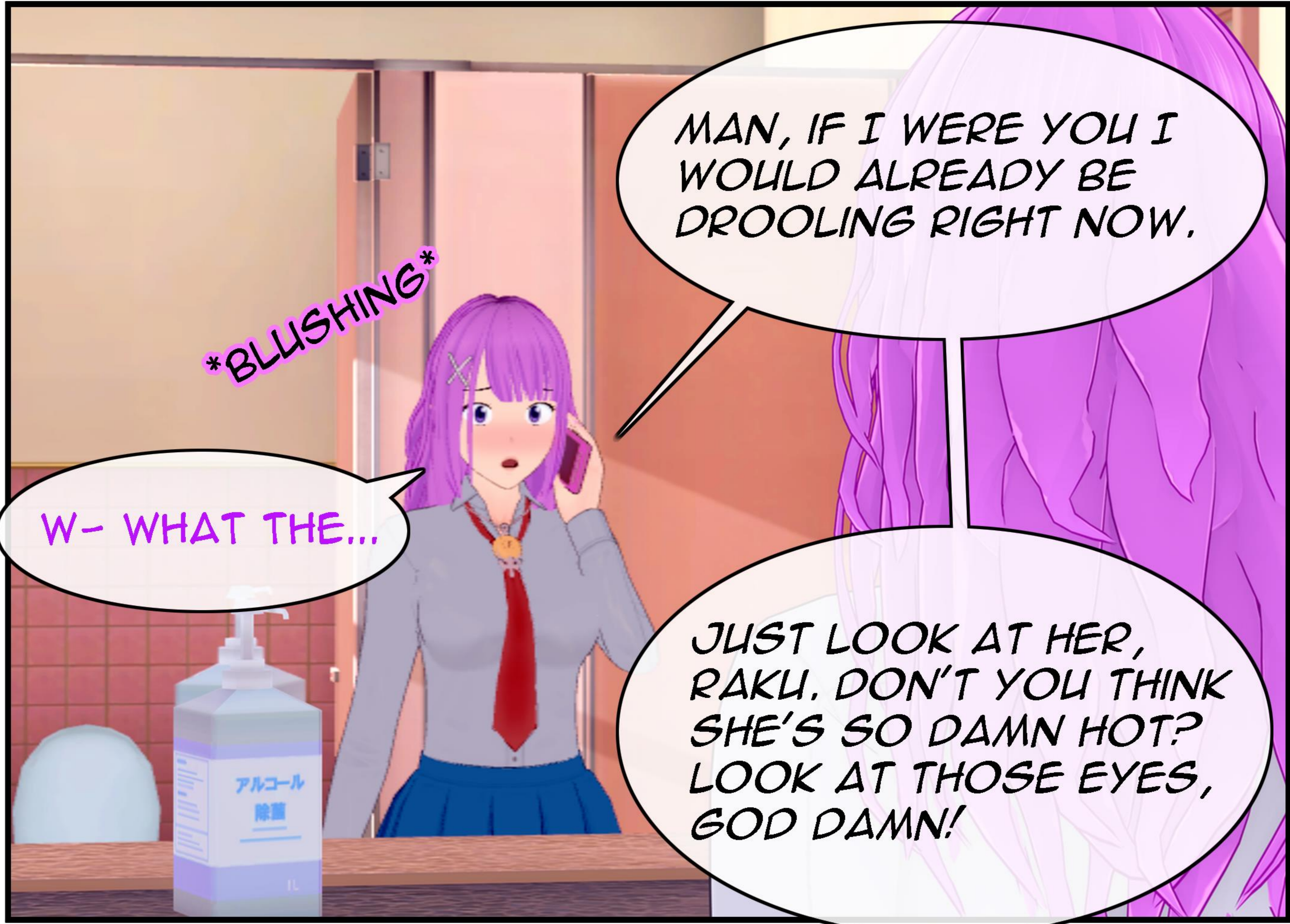
THIS IS THING YOU NEED TO LEARN BEFORE YOU CAN STEP UP. YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT THE FUTURE FOR OUR PEOPLE, RAKU.

BESIDES, YOU ALSO GET YOURSELF A SUPERMODEL GIRLFRIEND. ISN'T THAT GREAT? HAHAHA!

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O- OKAY.

T- THAT'S...



BLUSHING

W- WHAT THE...

MAN, IF I WERE YOU I WOULD ALREADY BE DROOLING RIGHT NOW.

JUST LOOK AT HER, RAKU. DON'T YOU THINK SHE'S SO DAMN HOT? LOOK AT THOSE EYES, GOD DAMN!



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OMG, OMG, OMG!
WHAT THE HECK IS DAD SAYING?!!

W- WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, DAD?!
I- I'M NOT!

HUH?? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? I'M TALKING ABOUT RIKA, YOU IDIOT!

SIGH GOD DAMNIT, STAY FOCUS, RAKU.

OH, I SEE. WELL, AT LEAST I KNOW YOU'RE WORKING HARD OVER THERE.

HUH...

O- OH!!! R- RIGHT! I- I SPACED OUT A BIT THERE, HAHHA!

I- I GOT A BIT TIRED FROM STUDYING ALL NIGHT YESTERDAY, YOU KNOW?

UHM, A- ANYTHING ELSE? M- MY NEXT CLASS WILL BE STARTING SOON.

OH! I FORGOT THAT
YOU'RE STILL IN SCHOOL,
MY BAD.

WELL, THAT SHOULD BE
EVERYTHING FOR NOW.
KEEP ME UPDATED IF
YOU CAN GET IN TOUCH
WITH HER, OKAY?

OKAY, GOOD LUCK, AND
WE'LL TALK AGAIN.

IT'S OKAY, HAHA.
SOOOO...?

S- SURE THING,
DAD.

BYEEE~

DISCONNECTED

GOSH HHHHHHHH!!

I WAS ALWAYS
WONDERING WHY DAD
WAS INTERESTED IN
RIKA SO MUCH...

BUT I DIDN'T EXPECT
IT TO TURN OUT LIKE
THIS!!

AND ON TOP OF
THAT, HE WANTED ME
TO ENGAGE WITH
HER?!

I- I HAVE TO ENGAGE
WITH MYSELF?? THIS IS
CRAZY!



HOW THE HECK AM I SUPPOSED TO DO THAT??

BUT SHE ALREADY HELPED ME A LOT... UGH... I- I DON'T KNOW!

A- ALRIGHT... YOU CAN DO THIS, RIKA-CHAN!

RINGGG

SHOULD I ALSO TELL MOM ABOUT THIS AS WELL?

OH... CLASS IS STARTING. L- LET'S JUST FORGET ABOUT THIS AND PRETEND NOTHING HAPPENED.

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THAT EVENING...

HAAAA, WHAT A WEEK...

GOSH, WILL I REALLY GET USED TO ACTING LIKE THIS IN THE FUTURE??


I KNOW THIS IS ONLY MY FIRST WEEK TRYING IT OUT...

BUT IT'S SOOO HARD TO ACT LIKE THAT ALL THE TIME!

BUT AT LEAST IT SEEMS TO BE WORKING.

THE GIRLS IN MY CLASS STARTED TO FOLLOW MY SUGGESTIONS.





SOME OF THEM EVEN BOUGHT THE SAME LOTION I USE. THESE GIRL ARE CRAZY!

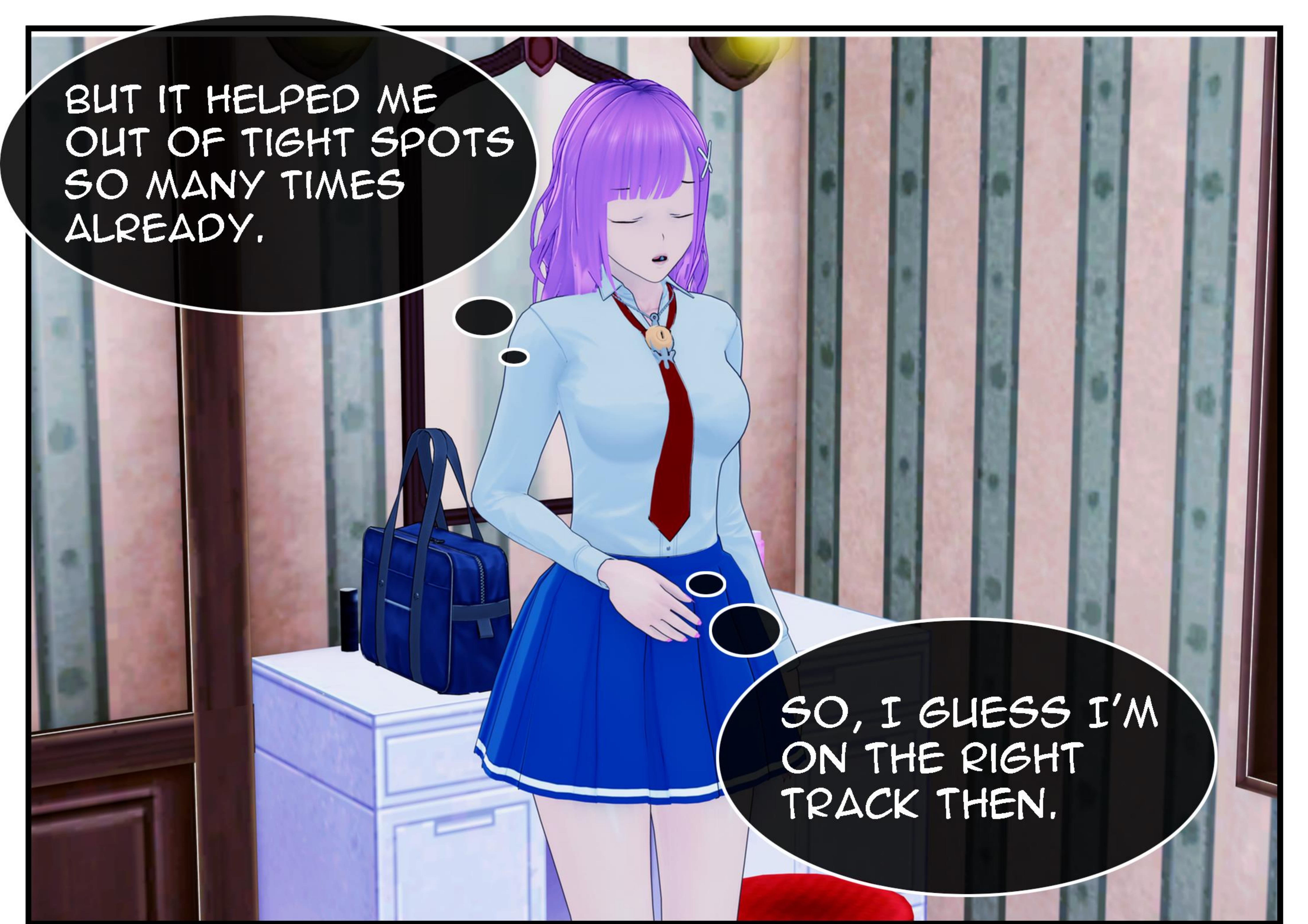
BUT LUCKY FOR THEM, THE PRODUCTS I USE ARE REALLY HIGH QUALITY, HEH~

SHIMANO IS A MUST WHEN IT COMES TO SKIN LOTION, YOU KNOW?

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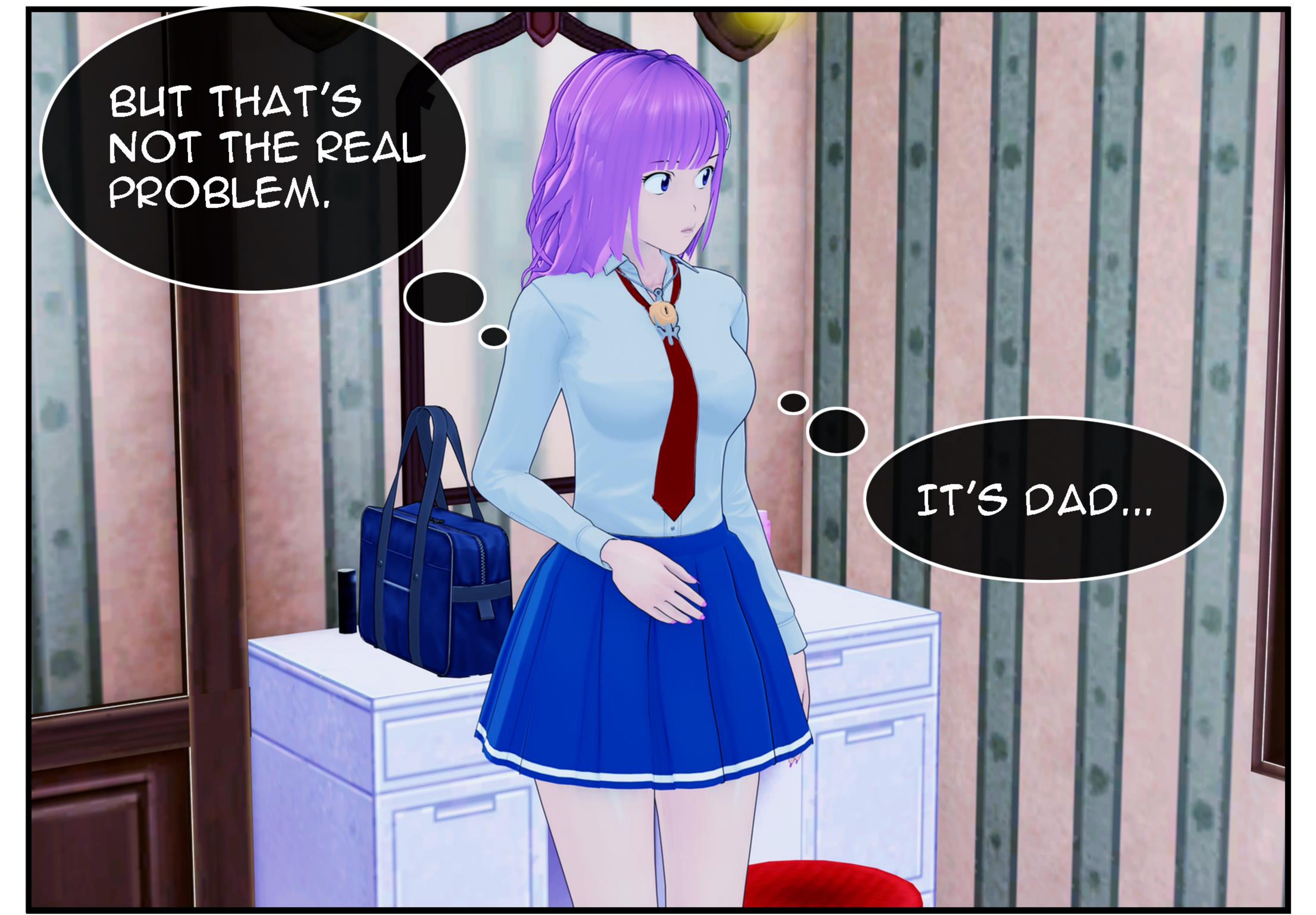
W- WELL, T- THAT'S WHAT I READ FROM THE MAGAZINE I READ LAST NIGHT, UGH...

GOSH, I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT I HAVE TO MEMORIZE SOMETHING LIKE THIS TOO.



BUT IT HELPED ME
OUT OF TIGHT SPOTS
SO MANY TIMES
ALREADY.

SO, I GUESS I'M
ON THE RIGHT
TRACK THEN.



BUT THAT'S
NOT THE REAL
PROBLEM.

IT'S DAD...



MAYBE I SHOULD JUST
TELL HIM THAT I'M RIKA!
UGH...

GOSH, I DON'T THINK I
CAN SOLVE THIS ONE ON
MY OWN... AGAIN. *SIGH*

H- HE SAID THAT
I'M HOT!

SIGH LOOKS LIKE I
REALLY HAVE TO TALK
TO MOM ABOUT THIS.

A- AND WORST OF
ALL...

T- THERE'S NO WAY HE JUST SAID THAT WITH SO MUCH CONFIDENCE.

BLUSHING

HE'S LIKE, THE LAST PERSON I WANT TO HEAR SAYING THAT TO ME...

LIGHHHH, I CAN'T... T- THIS IS SO HUMILIATING!

H- HOW THE HELL DID DAD FIND ME HOT?!

I- I'M NOT!! GOSH, I- I AM YOUR OWN SON!

...R- RIGHT?

THUMP

THUMP



I- I MEAN THERE'S
NO WAY I LOOK HOT,
R- RIGHT?

AND WHY IS MY
HEART BEATING
LIKE THIS??

I- IS IT BECAUSE OF
MY REFLECTION?

AHHHHH, I SHOULD
PROBABLY TELL MOM
ABOUT DAD TOMORROW!

OH GOSH, THIS IS
GETTING TOO WEIRD!

THUMP

THUMP

THE NEXT DAY...

I SEE... AND DID HE ALSO TELL YOU THE REASON?

HMM, INTERESTING. SO HE JUST WANTED RAKU TO ENGAGE WITH YOU WITHOUT ANY REASON.

HMM?

HMM? THE REASON? UMM, N- NO... HE DIDN'T TELL ME THAT.

I- IT SOUNDS SO WEIRD WHEN YOU PHRASE IT LIKE THAT, MOM.

I MEAN I'M RAKU, YOU KNOW?

ARE YOU SURE? YOU
SURELY DON'T LOOK LIKE
RAKU TO ME, RIKA-CHAN.


I- I KNOW!
W- WHAT I MEAN IS-

LISTEN, IF YOU WANT TO
GET OUT OF THIS MESS,
YOU HAVE TO STOP
THINKING SAYING THAT,
OKAY?

H- HUH?

RIGHT NOW YOU'RE
MY DAUGHTER, RIKA
KIRISAKI AND NO ONE
ELSE, UNDERSTAND?

B- BUT I-... UGH,
U- UNDERSTAND...



GOOD, I HOPE THAT WOULD BE LAST TIME TO HEAR THAT FROM YOU, RIKA-CHAN.


OKAY, BACK TO THE TOPIC. HMM, THIS IS A BIT MORE SERIOUS THAN I THOUGHT.

I'M AFRAID IT'S NOT THAT EASY. WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT OUR CLANS' RELATIONSHIP TOO, RIGHT?

UGH, O-OKAY...

HMM, CAN'T YOU JUST SAY NO TO HIM?

OH...



BUT GOOD THING IS
I THINK I CAN MANAGE
THIS IF WE HAVE TIME.

OH! KNOWING DAD, HE
WOULD WAIT FOR A
WHILE BEFORE HE
TAKES SOME ACTION.

THAT'S GOOD TO
HEAR. I'LL TRY TO
COME UP WITH A
PLAN AS FAST AS I
CAN.

T- THANK FOR THE
HELP, MOM!

NO PROBLEM~
ALRIGHT, ARE WE
READY TO LEAVE?



HUH? WHERE ARE WE GOING?

W- WHAT? TODAY?

YEAH....?

OF COURSE IT'S YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH DR.M, SILLY.

YES, I ALREADY TOLD YOU LAST WEEK. YOU ALREADY FORGOT?

HAHA, THAT'S RIKA-CHAN FOR YOU! LET'S FINISH YOUR FOOD AND GET GOING THEN~