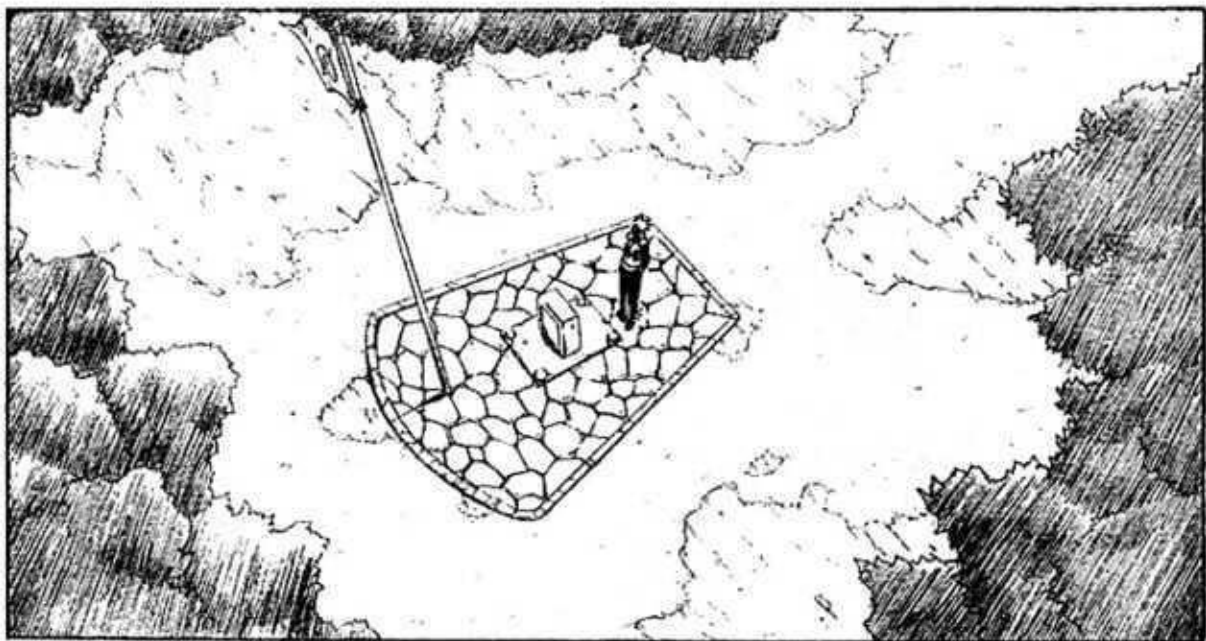


# NARUTO

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LEGENDARY SHINOBI, NOVELIST, PERVERTED HERMIT AND NARUTO'S TEACHER...  
MMM... I'M A BUSY PERSON, AREN'T I?





THE DAILY VISIT TO HIS DEAD FRIEND'S MONUMENT.

...AGAIN TODAY, THE THOUGHT THAT HE CAN'T CONTINUE TO HOLD IN IS IN HIS HEART.



EVEN WITH  
THIS EYE...

I COULDN'T  
SEE WHAT  
WAS GOING  
TO HAPPEN...

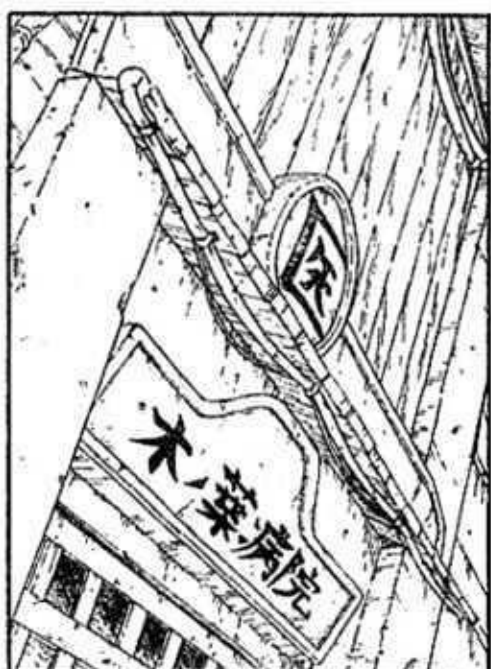
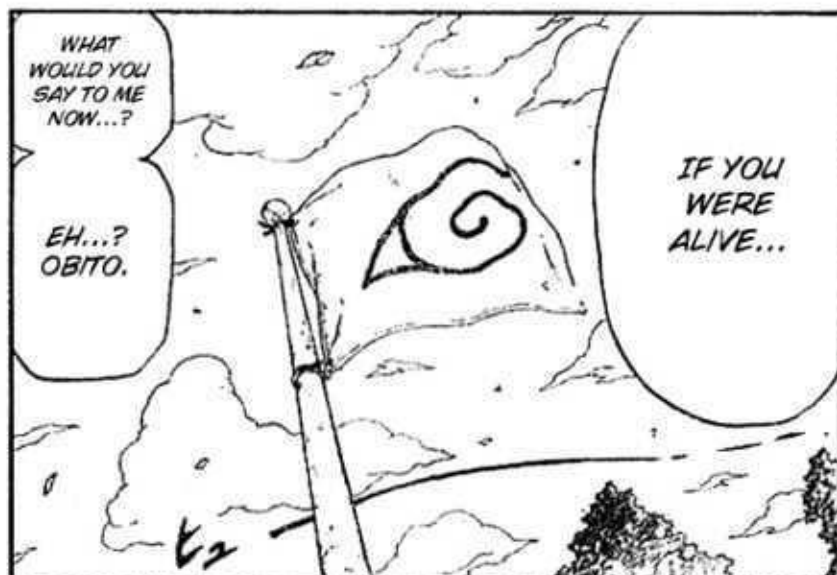


BUT, LIKE  
BEFORE...

I'M ALWAYS  
REGRETTING  
IT...

NOW,  
AS A JOUNIN,  
I HAVE  
SUBORDINATES.

**IF YOU PAID FOR THIS THEN YOU GOT RIPPED OFF !**



SFX: RUMBLE



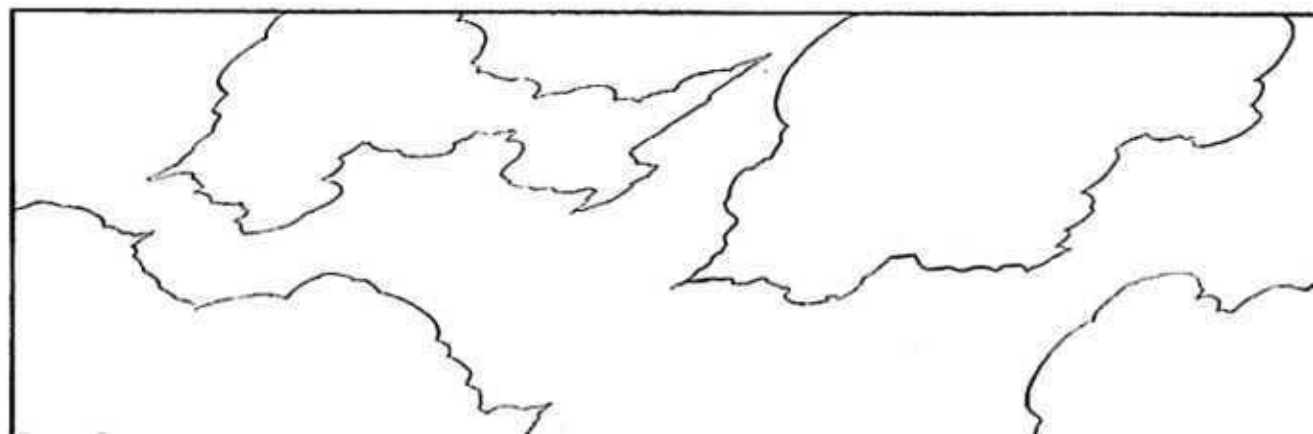
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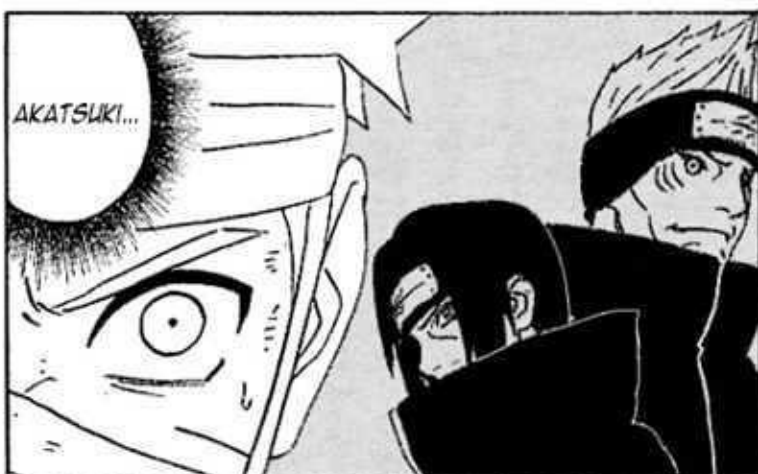


SFX: RUMBLE



NOTE: ERO-SENNIN = PERVERTED HERMIT

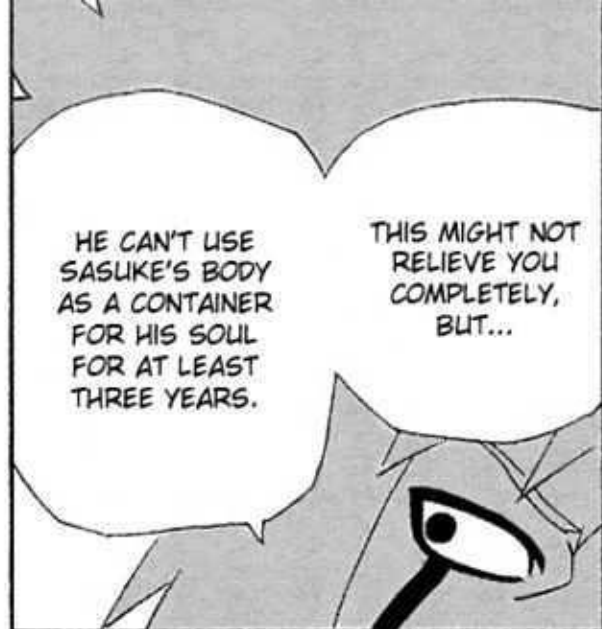












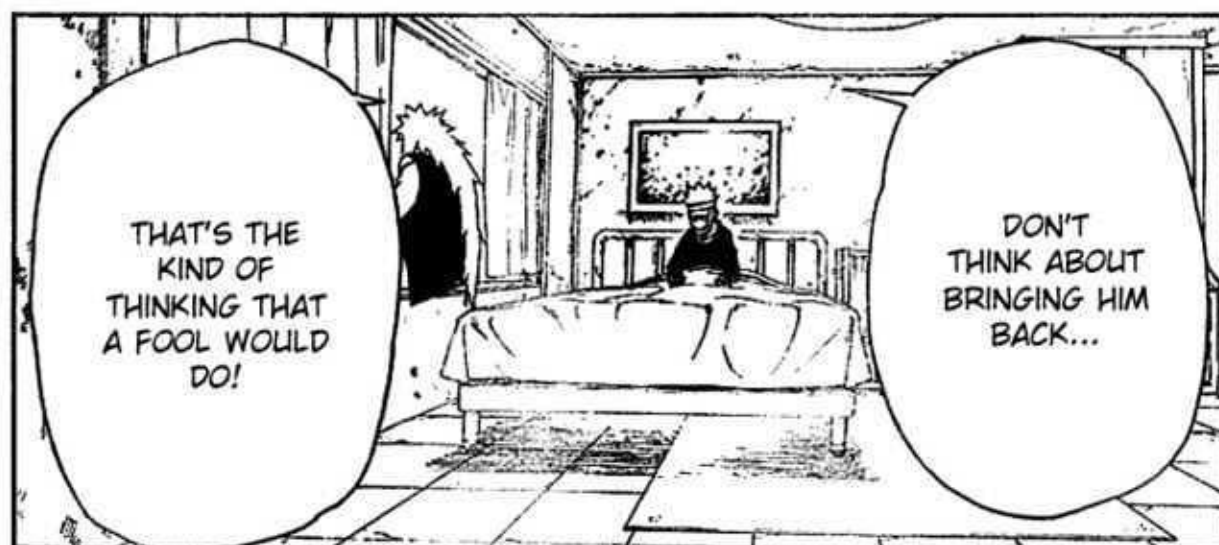






SASUKE'S  
THE SAME  
TYPE AS  
OROCHIMARU...

FROM  
HAVING  
SEEN  
MANY  
SHINOBI, I  
UNDER-  
STAND...







WE, WHO ARE CALLED THE "SANNIN"... WE HAVE BEEN COMPANIONS SINCE WE WERE CHILDREN, HAVEN'T WE!?

WHY...

WHY ARE YOU...

SFX: PANT PANT



BECAUSE YOU AREN'T AWARE OF WHAT I WAS DOING...

WHATEVER YOU'RE THINKING, IT WON'T WORK.



KUKUKU...

YOU'LL ALWAYS BE A SIMPLE PERSON, JIRAIYA.



YOU'RE PITIFUL!

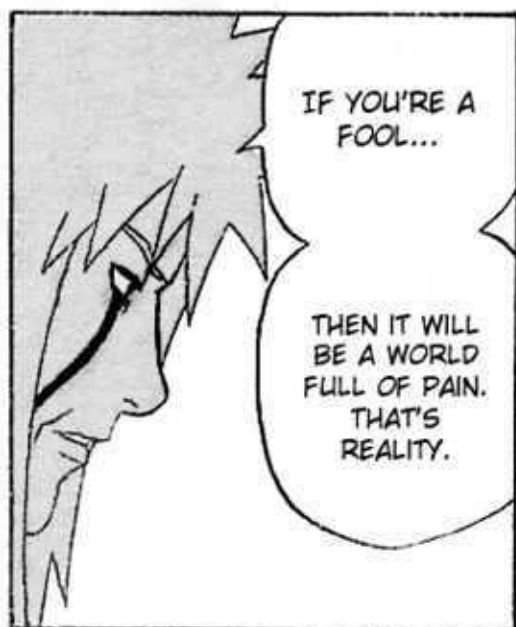


THINK AGAIN ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING... OROCHIMARU...

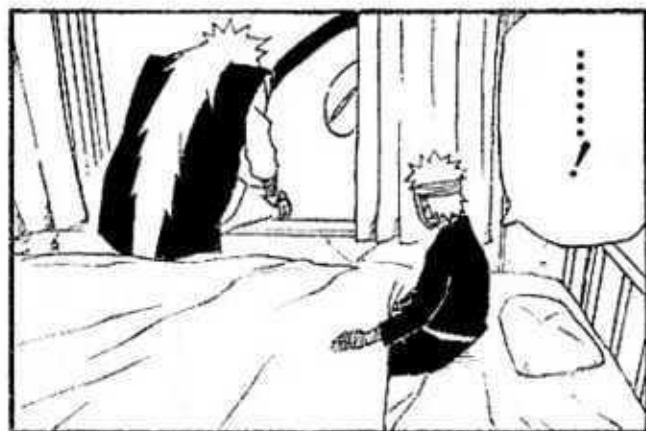












THE MOST  
YOU CAN DO  
IS THINK UP  
PERVERTED  
NINJUTSU...

IF YOU WORK  
ALONE...



SFX: THUMP



WHEN YOU  
LEAVE THE  
HOSPITAL,  
GET READY,  
YOU BIG  
FOOL.



A FOOL IS A  
FOOL, BUT...  
ONLY A MORON  
WOULD DO  
SOMETHING  
LIKE THAT.



I'D BE HAPPIER LIVING AS A FOOL...! LOOKING AT NARUTO, HE SEES HIS OLD SELF.  
BELIEVING IN HIS POTENTIAL, AN UNBREAKABLE RESOLUTION IS MADE BETWEEN TEACHER AND STUDENT BEFORE LEAVING...!!



**NARUTO** NO. 237

TIME FOR NARUTO AND JIRAIYA  
TO LEAVE TOGETHER!  
NEXT, "NOW, ONE PARTING"!!