

I DIED WHEN
THE SHUKAKU
WAS TAKEN OUT
OF ME BY THE
VERY MEN WHO
CONTROL YOU
NOW.

BUT BY
THE EFFORTS OF
CHIYO-SAMA AND
MY FRIENDS, I
CAME BACK.

HOW
IS THAT
POSSIBLE?

YOU'RE
NOT A
JINCHU-
RIKI...!?

THE CHANGE
IN GAARA
SHAKES THE
FATHER!!

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YOU OF ALL
PEOPLE HAVE
FRIENDS!?

AND YOUR...
FRIENDS...?

THAT
OLD LADY
CHIYO WOULD
DO SUCH A
THING...!



BUT
NOW, I DO
NOT HATE
YOU...

I EVEN
UNDERSTAND
WHAT YOU
WERE TRYING
TO DO...

YOU TRIED
TO KILL ME
SIX TIMES, AND
EVERY SINGLE
TIME I GREW
TO FEAR AND
HATE YOU...

JEEZ!
HOW SAD
A KID CAN
YOU GET?

EVERY
KID HIS
AGE HAS
FRIENDS!





...HOW ABOUT THAT TINY GOATEE OF YOURS, MIZUKAGE?

HOT DAMN! I DON'T HAVE EYEBROWS EITHER!

CHARISMA OOOZES OUT OF PEOPLE WITHOUT EYEBROWS, YOU KNOW!

HEY, IF YOU LOT ARE GOING TO KILL SOMEBODY, KILL THAT BANDAGE-WRAPPED BASTARD FIRST! I'LL EVEN CHEER YOU ON!

YOUR SON, EH? HE'S A GOOD SHINOBI.



HE IS COMPATIBLE.

IT'S SMALL... PREMATURE, FROM THE LOOKS OF IT.

WILL IT TRULY BE ABLE TO HANDLE IT...?



KARURA! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT !?

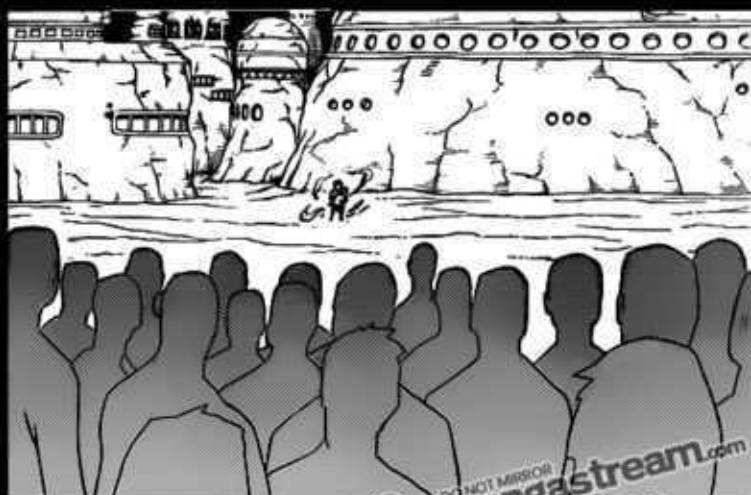
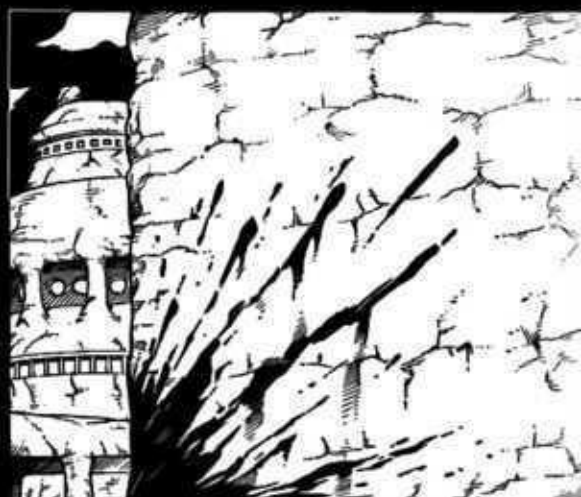
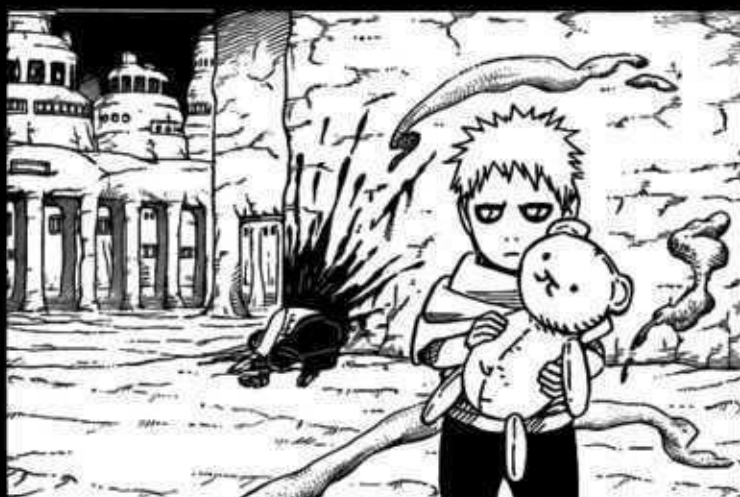


SHOW ME MY BABY'S FACE...



WE MUST RAISE THIS CHILD WITH GREAT CARE.

THIS IS THE THIRD CHILD... AND THE FIRST COMPATIBLE ONE.



WE
NEED TO DO
SOMETHING
ABOUT THE
SHUKAKU!

WE *MUST*
HAVE A TRUMP
CARD TO USE
IN BARGAINING
WITH OTHER
NATIONS.

IF THE VILLAGE'S
STANDING FORCES
CONTINUE TO DIMINISH,
SUNAGAKURE WILL
WITHER UNTIL THERE
IS NO HOPE OF
RECOVERY!

YES,
SIR.

YASHAMARU...
WE NEED TO
TALK LATER.

AS FOR
GAARA...

SINCE THE JIN-
CHUURIKI IS USELESS,
WE MUST RELY ON THE
KAZEKAGE'S DEVELOPMENT
OF NEW JUTSUS, AND ON
TRADING GOLD TO KEEP
THE VILLAGE AFLOAT.

AFTER
EVACUATING
THE VILLAGERS,
YOU ARE TO
CORNER
GAARA.

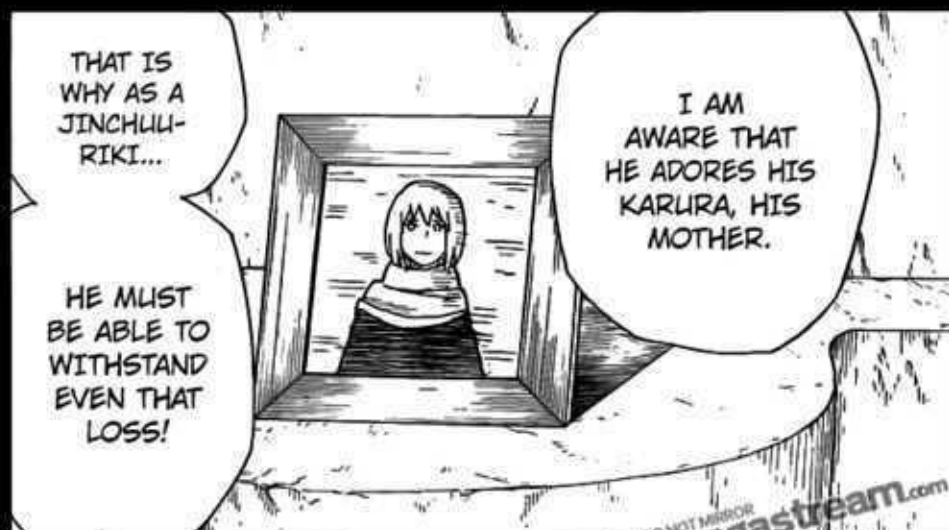
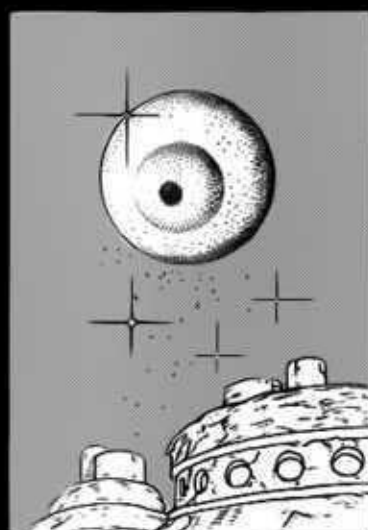
I'LL WEIGH
HIS VALUE
TO US TO-
MORROW.

I HAVE
DETERMINED
THE TRUE WORTH
OF MANY THINGS
THROUGH MY
LIFE.

BUT...
GAARA-SAMA
IS JUST A
CHILD...

...I STILL
HAVEN'T
DECIDED
HIS TRUE
WORTH.







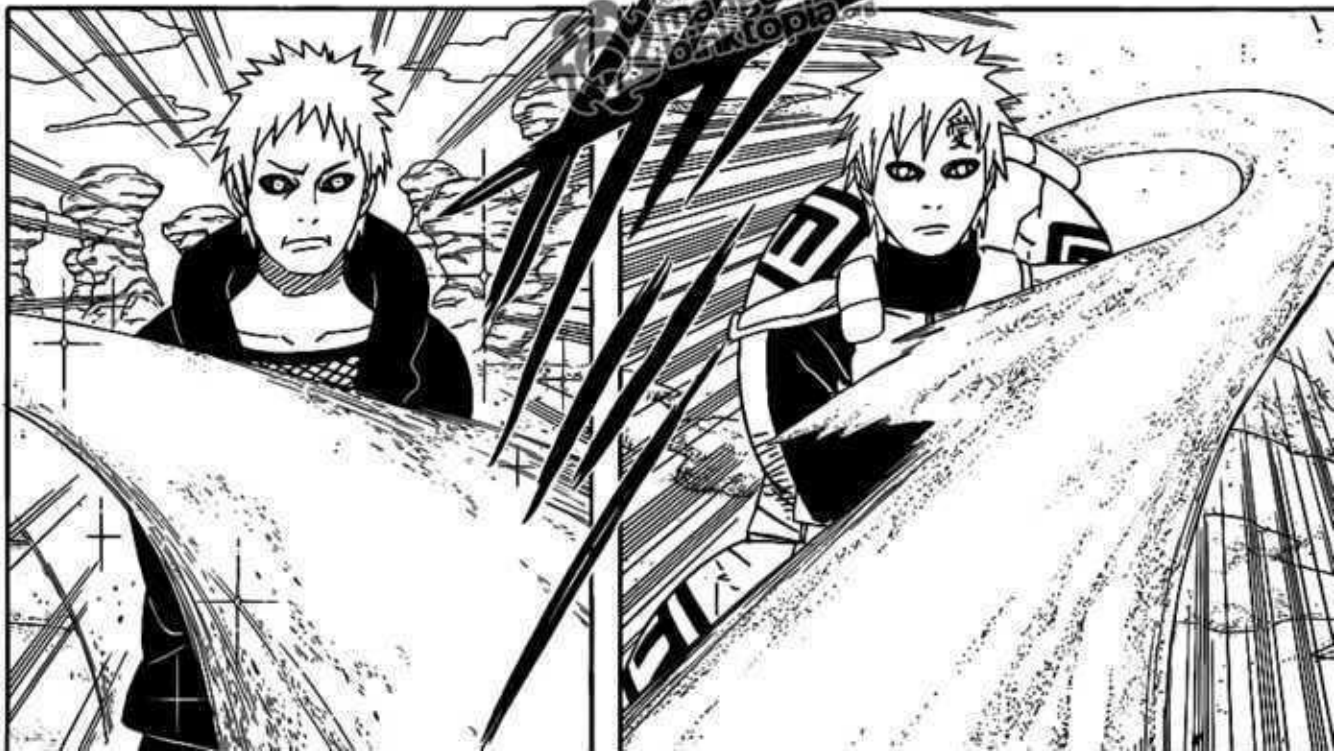
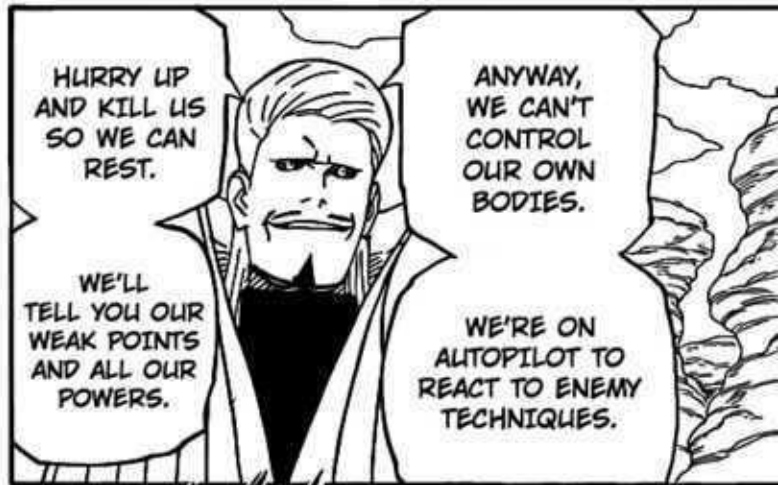
WAS ONLY TO LET THE WORLD KNOW HER FINAL, HATEFUL CURSE, AND TO REMEMBER IT FOR AS LONG AS YOU LIVE!



GAARA WAS A FAILLURE, AFTER ALL.

SO IT DIDN'T WORK...









T/N: HAILSAND









WHAT A
SMALL,
FEEBLE
CHILD...



GAARA
....!

NO MATTER
WHAT HAPPENS,
I'LL ALWAYS
PROTECT
YOU!



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YOUR
MOTHER
TRULY
LOVED
YOU.

A FATHER'S
CONFESSION!
WHY NOW....!?



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COLOR PAGES!!

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