

SHONEN JUMP MANGA

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Masashi Kishimoto

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45



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My morning always begins with a cup of coffee...

...which sounds hardboiled, but really I can only drink it if it's not black because that's too bitter.

I like it sweet. And since I've got a kid's tongue, I add a ton of milk and sugar. I want to become an adult and appreciate black coffee, but I feel like I'll never get there! Because it's so, so bitter! It's just a bitter sap!

—Masashi Kishimoto, 2009

Author/artist Masashi Kishimoto was born in 1974 in rural Okayama Prefecture, Japan. After spending time in art college, he won the Hop Step Award for new manga artists with his manga **Karakuri** (Mechanism). Kishimoto decided to base his next story on traditional Japanese culture. His first version of **Naruto**, drawn in 1997, was a one-shot story about fox spirits; his final version, which debuted in **Weekly Shonen Jump** in 1999, quickly became the most popular ninja manga in Japan.



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CHARACTERS



Sasuke サスケ



Naruto ナルト



Sakura サクラ



Kakashi カカシ



Yamato ヤマト



Sai サイ



Jiraiya 自來也



Tsunade 綱手



Jugo 重吾



Karin 香燐



Suigetsu 水月



Konan 小南



Pain ペイン



Madara マダラ



Killer Bee



Kisame 鬼鮫



Itachi イタチ

THE STORY SO FAR...

Naruto, the biggest troublemaker at the Ninja Academy in Konohagakure, finally becomes a ninja along with his classmates Sasuke and Sakura. They grow and mature through countless trials and battles. However, Sasuke, unable to give up his quest for vengeance, leaves Konohagakure to seek Orochimaru and his power...

Two years pass. Naruto and his comrades grow up and head out once more. As their fierce battles against the Tailed Beast-targeting Akatsuki rage on, Sasuke rebels against Orochimaru and eventually absorbs him completely! Sasuke then gathers new companions and chases after his brother Itachi.

But the Uchiha brother confrontation has an unexpected result. Sasuke learns a secret about Itachi that causes him to swear vengeance...on Konoha! To start his quest, he allies with the enemies of the Leaf Ninja, the Akatsuki, and sets out to capture the Eight-Tailed Beast!



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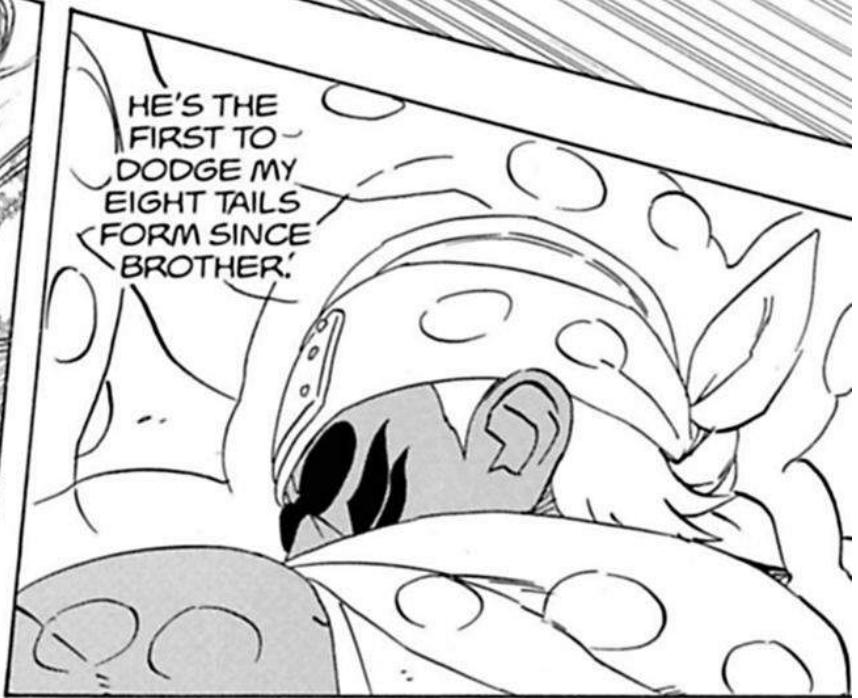
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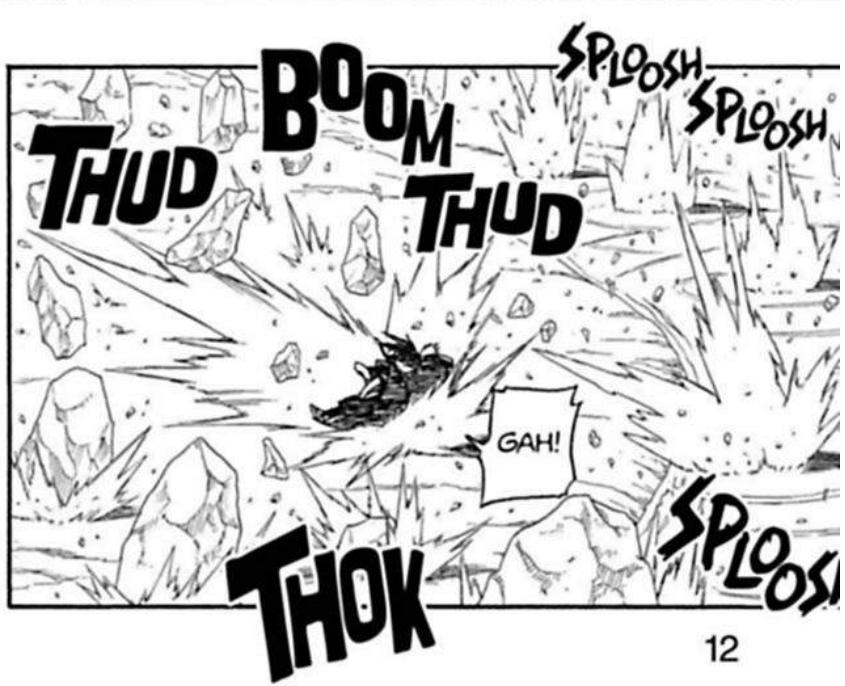
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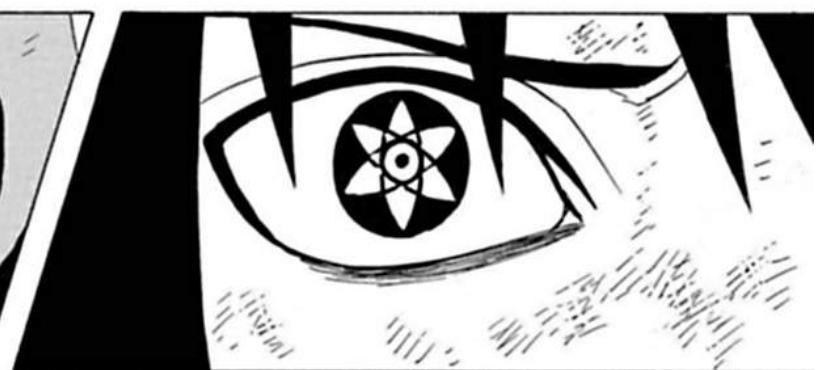
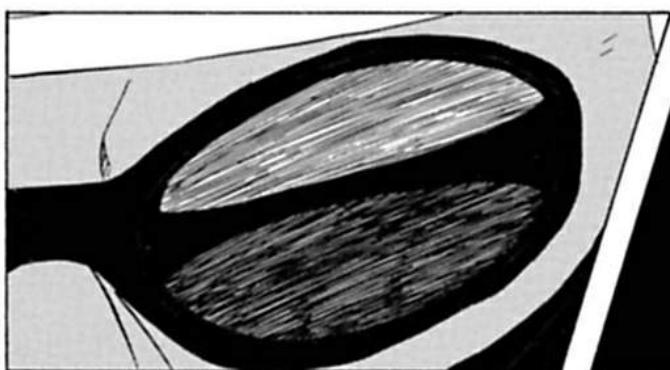
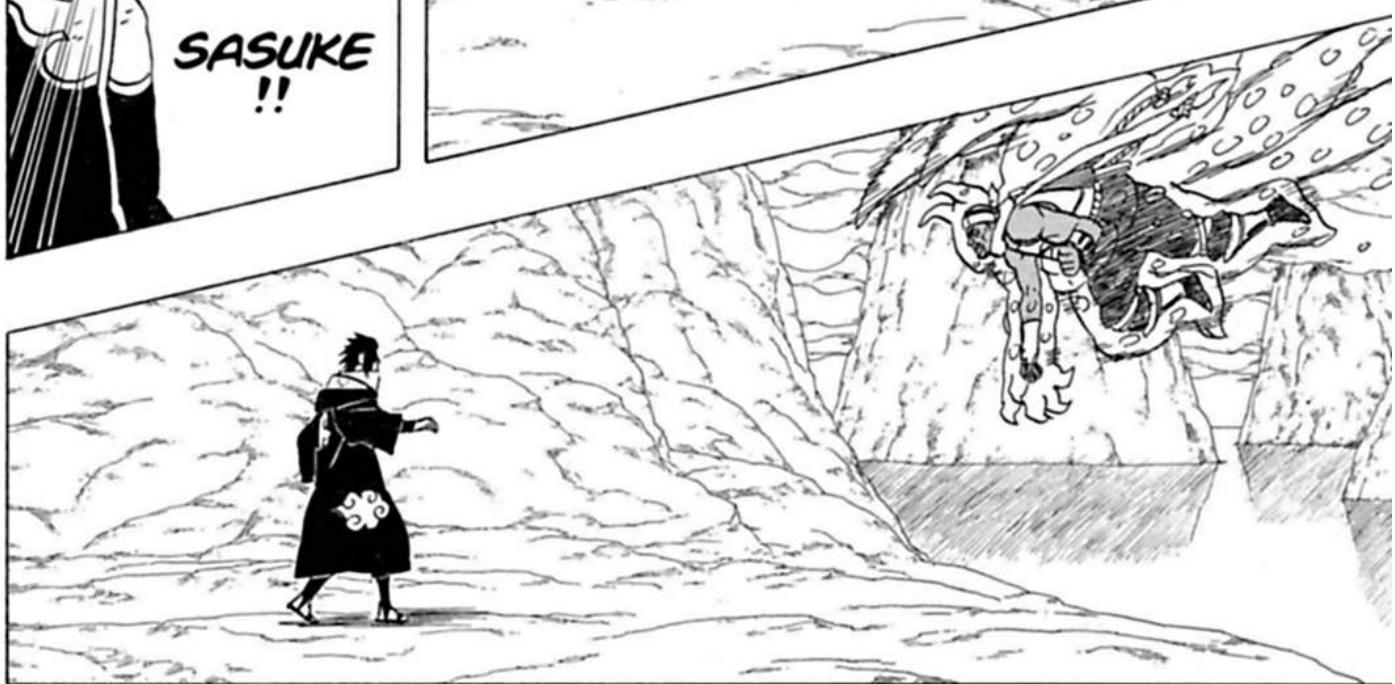




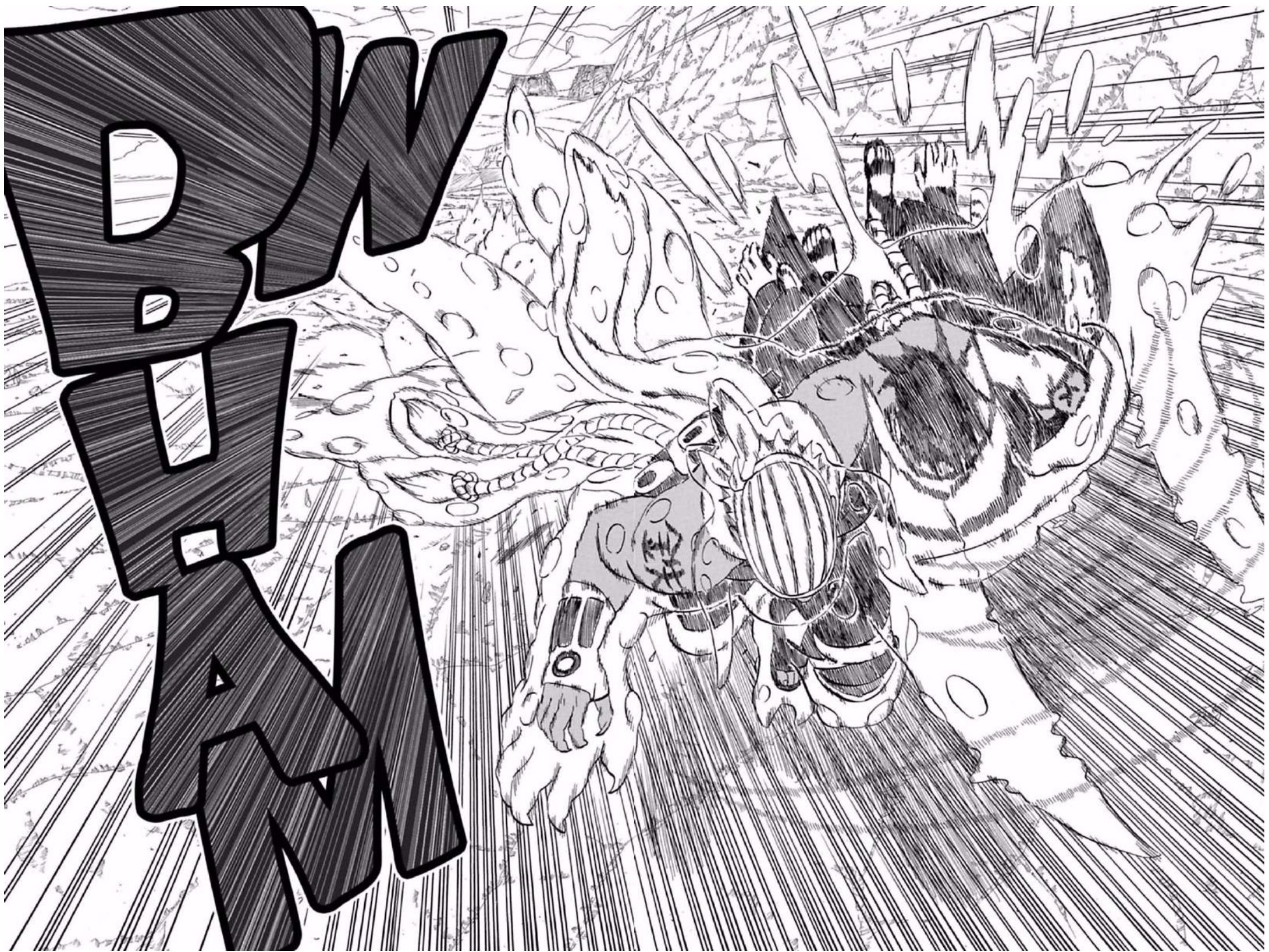


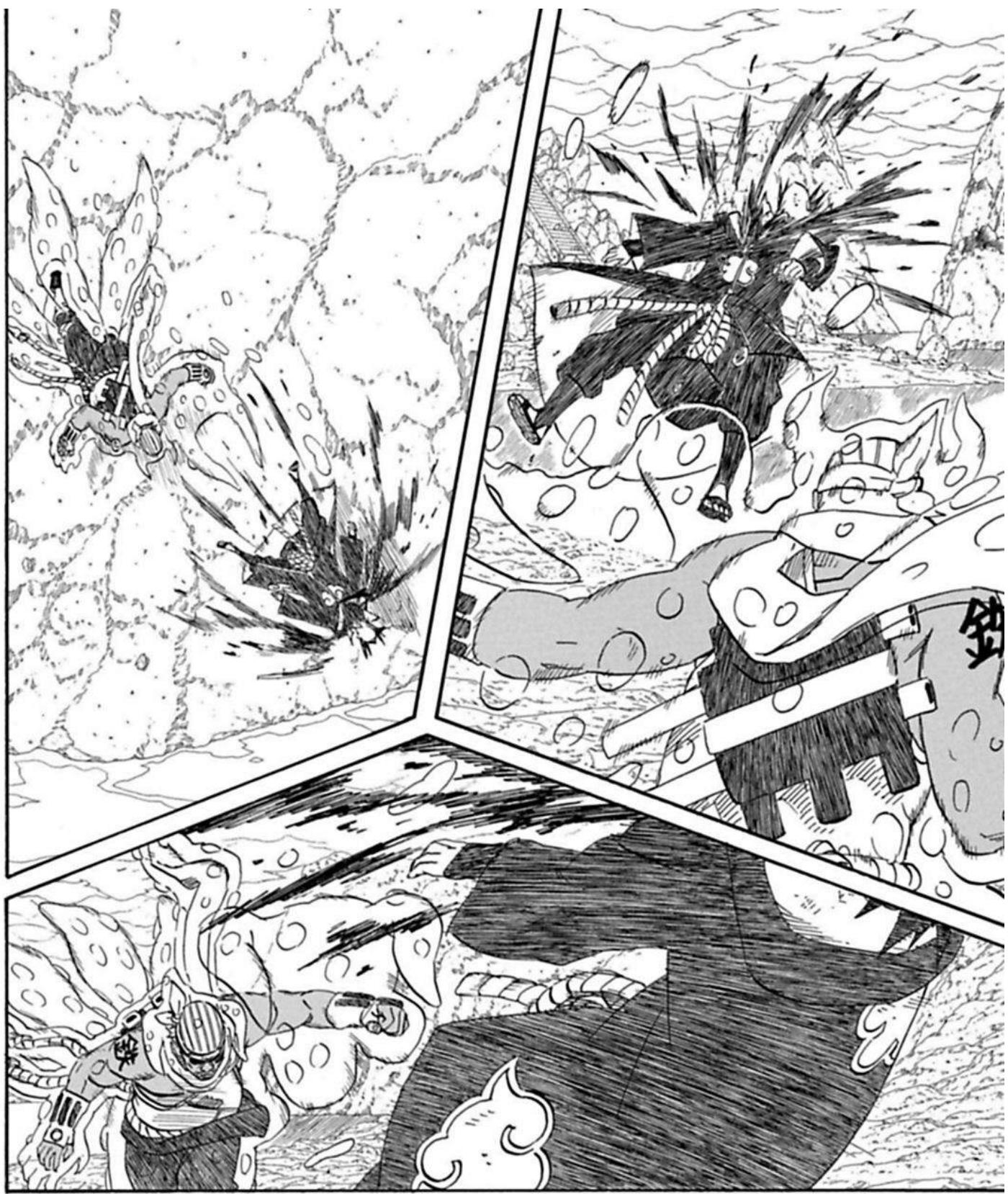
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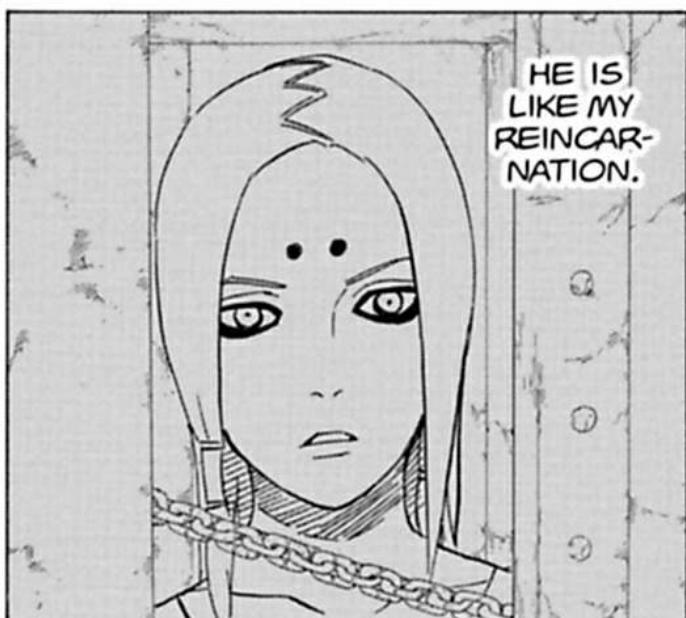




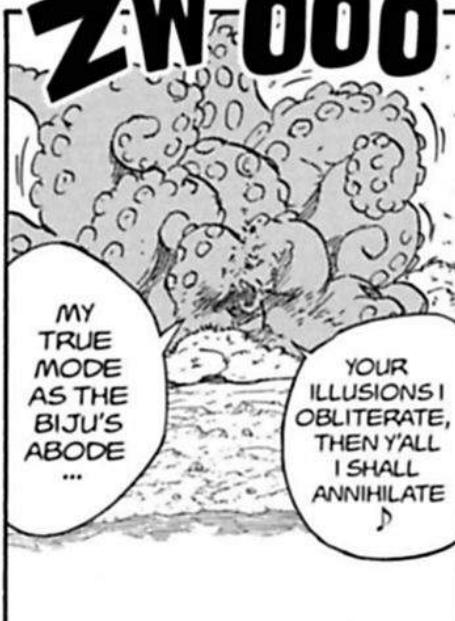
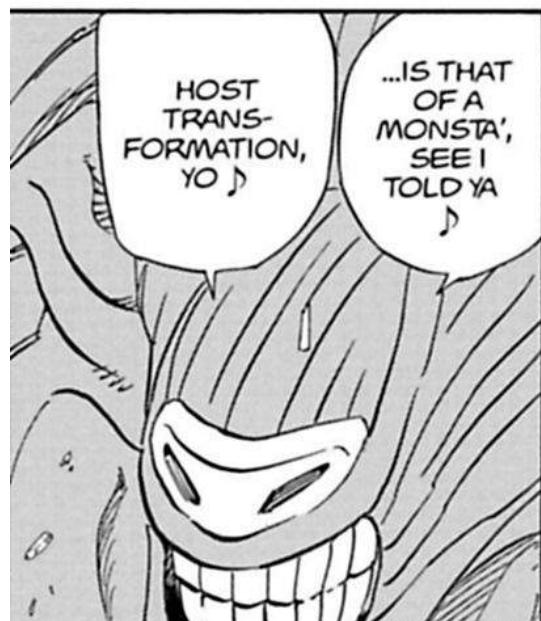
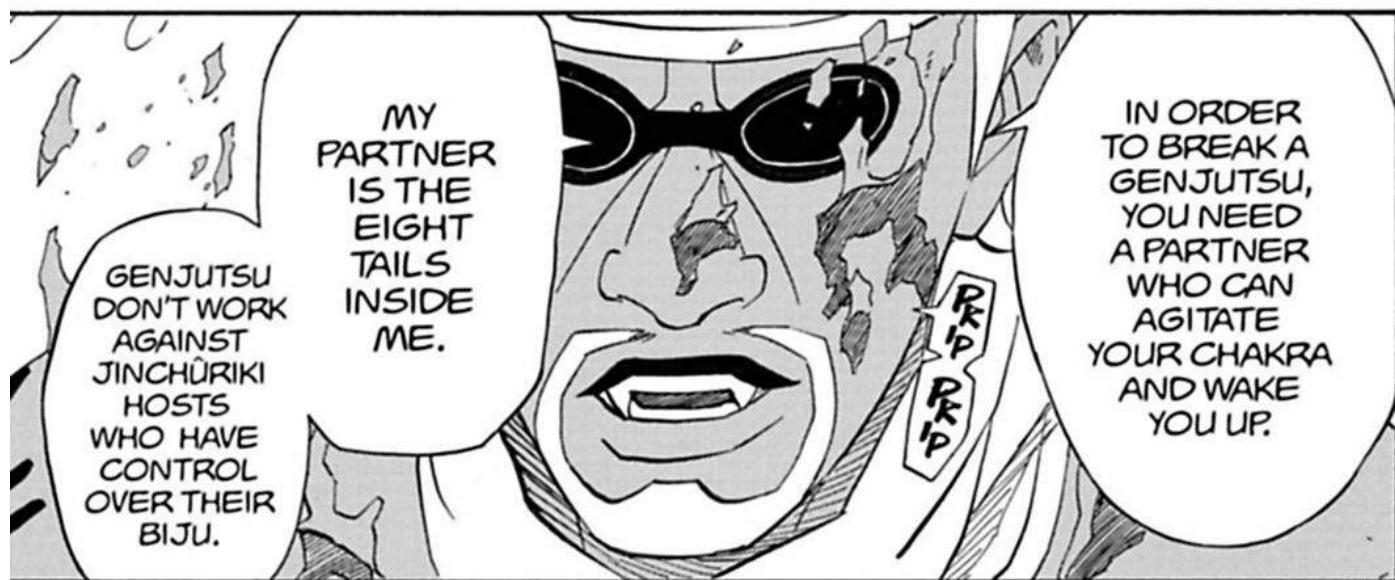


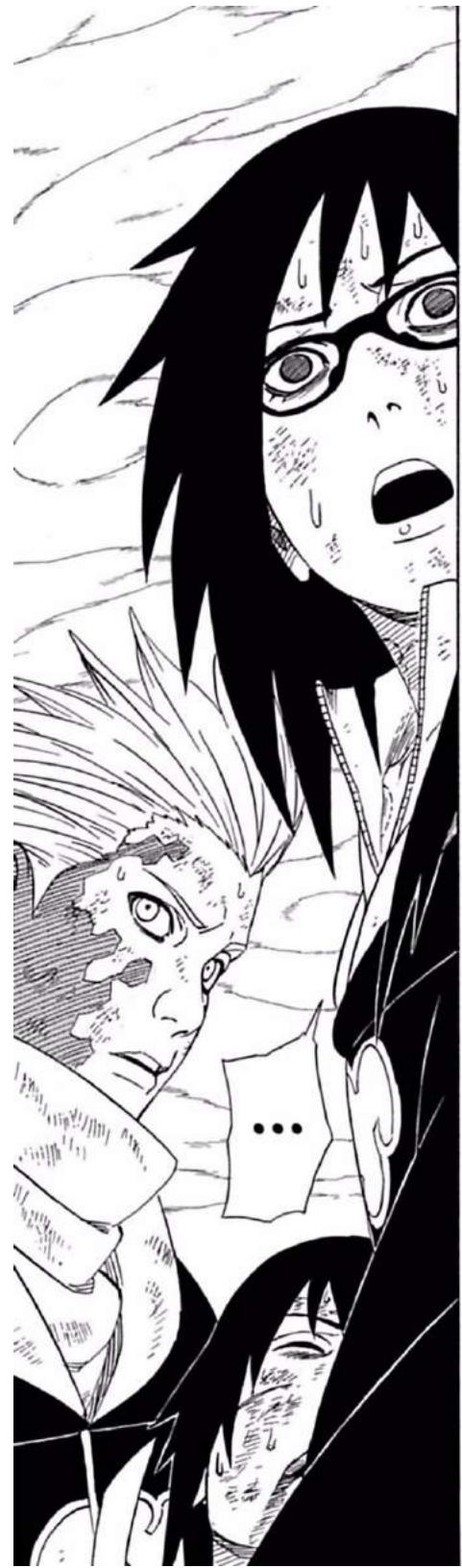




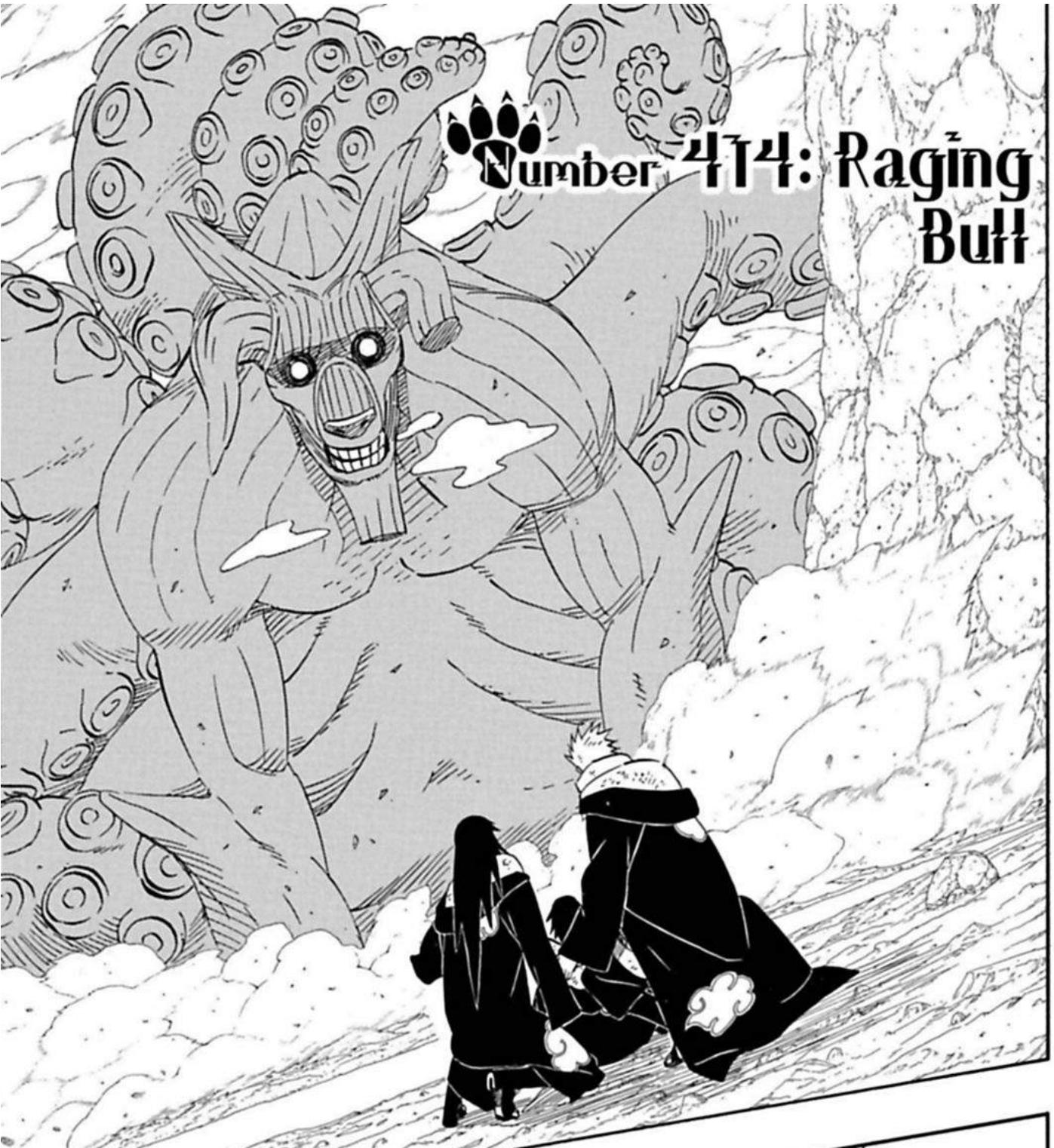


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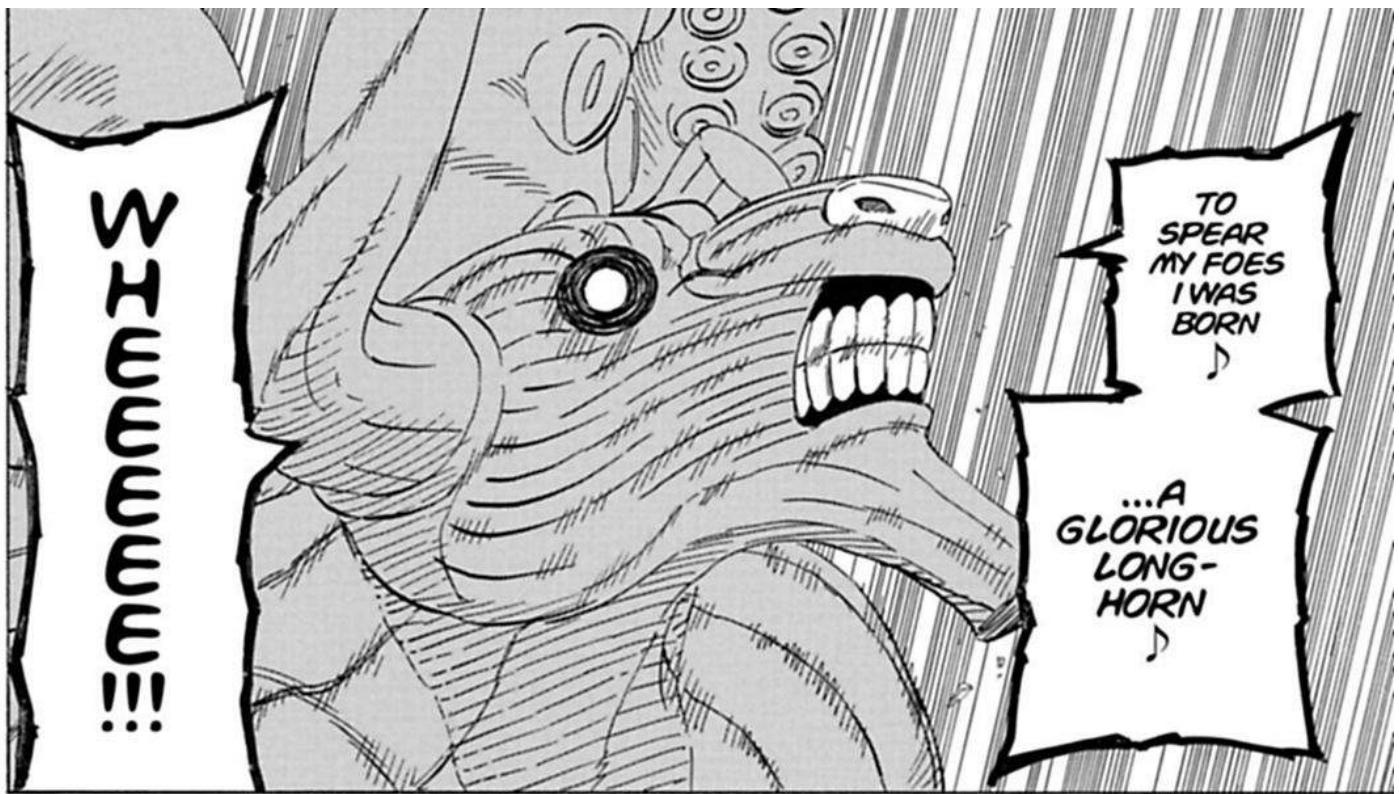
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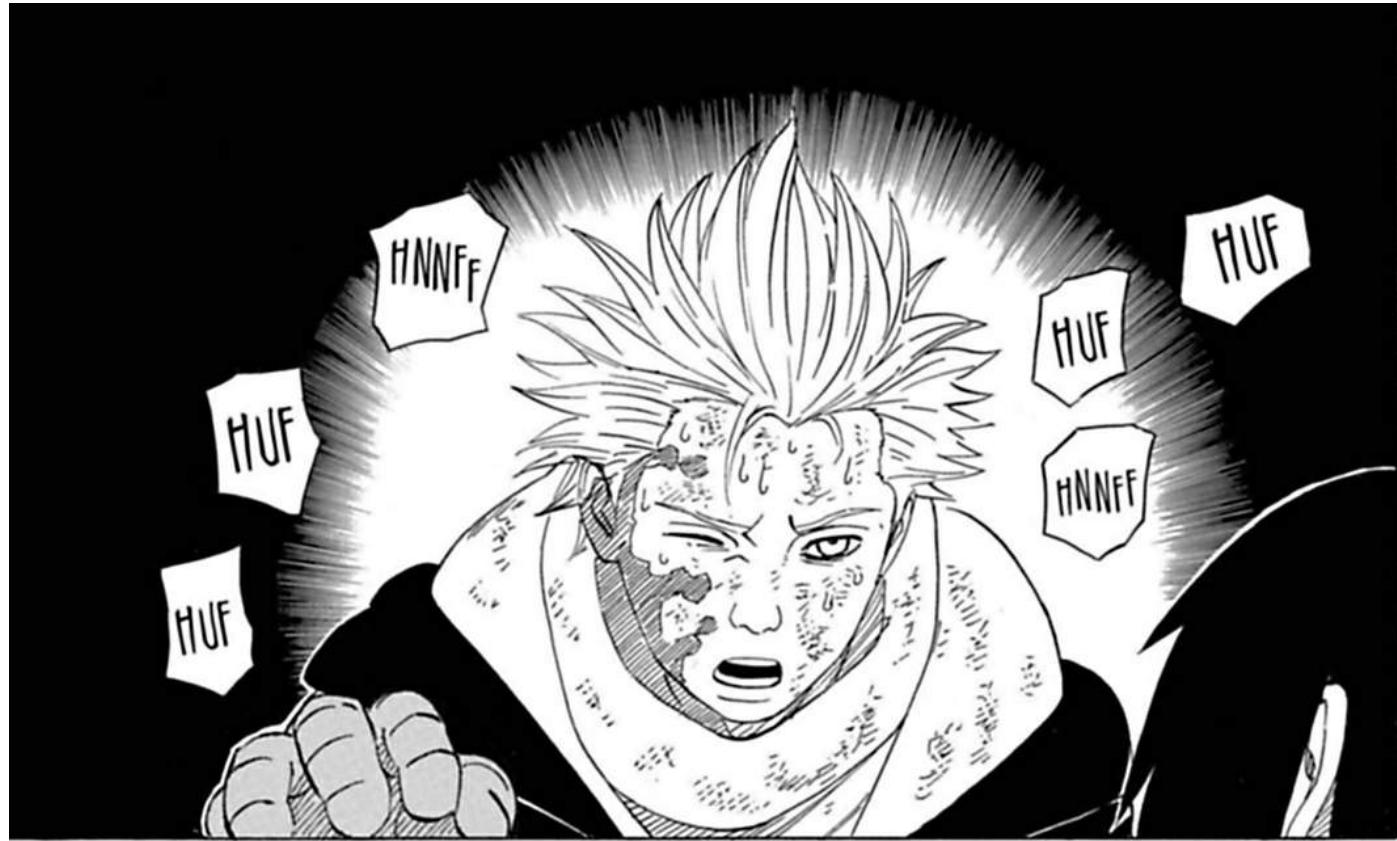
A MONSTER OX...

...SO THIS IS HIS TRUE FORM, EH...

SUCH CHAKRA... CAN'T BE... NO WAY...

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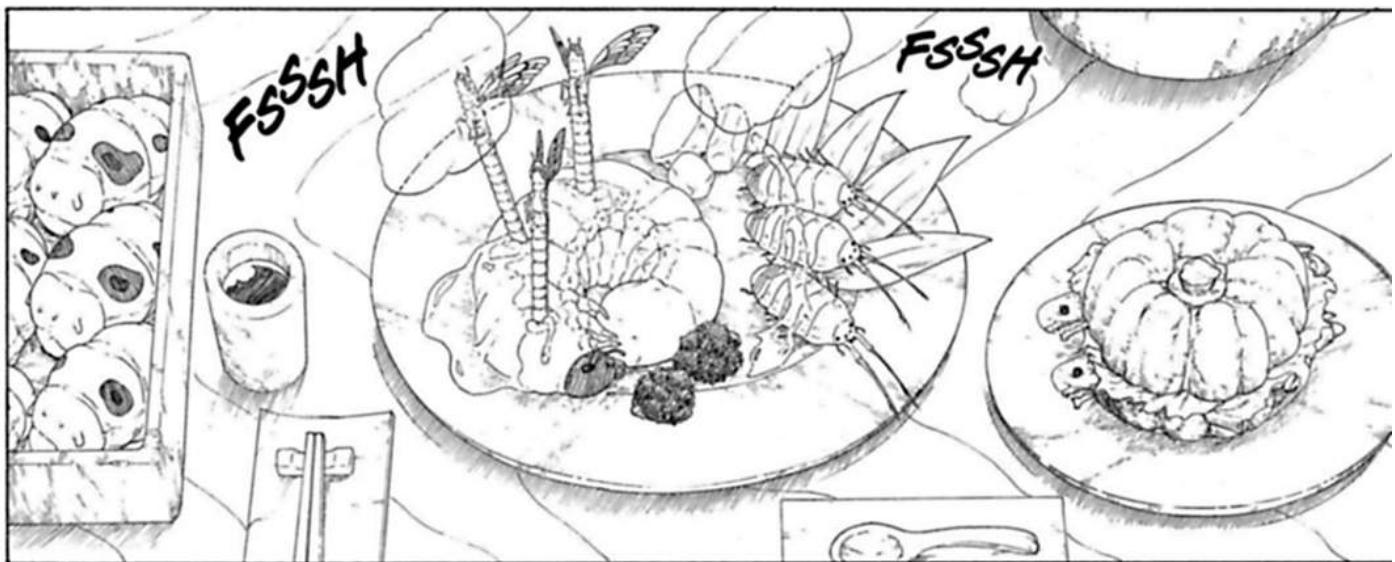


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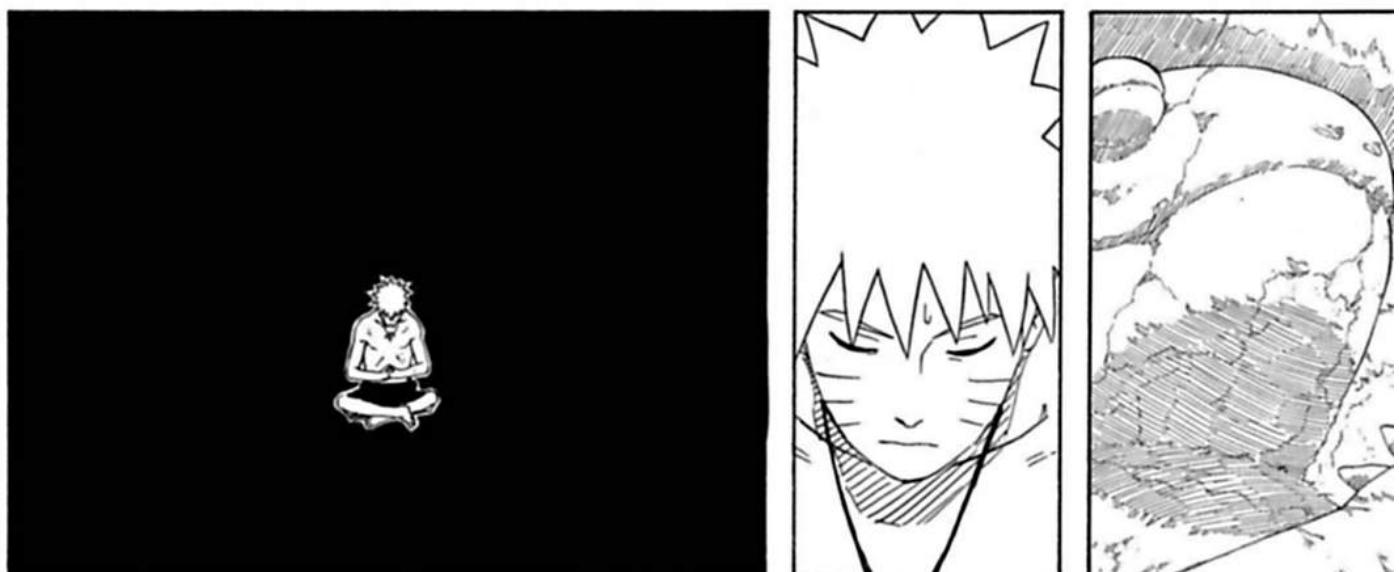
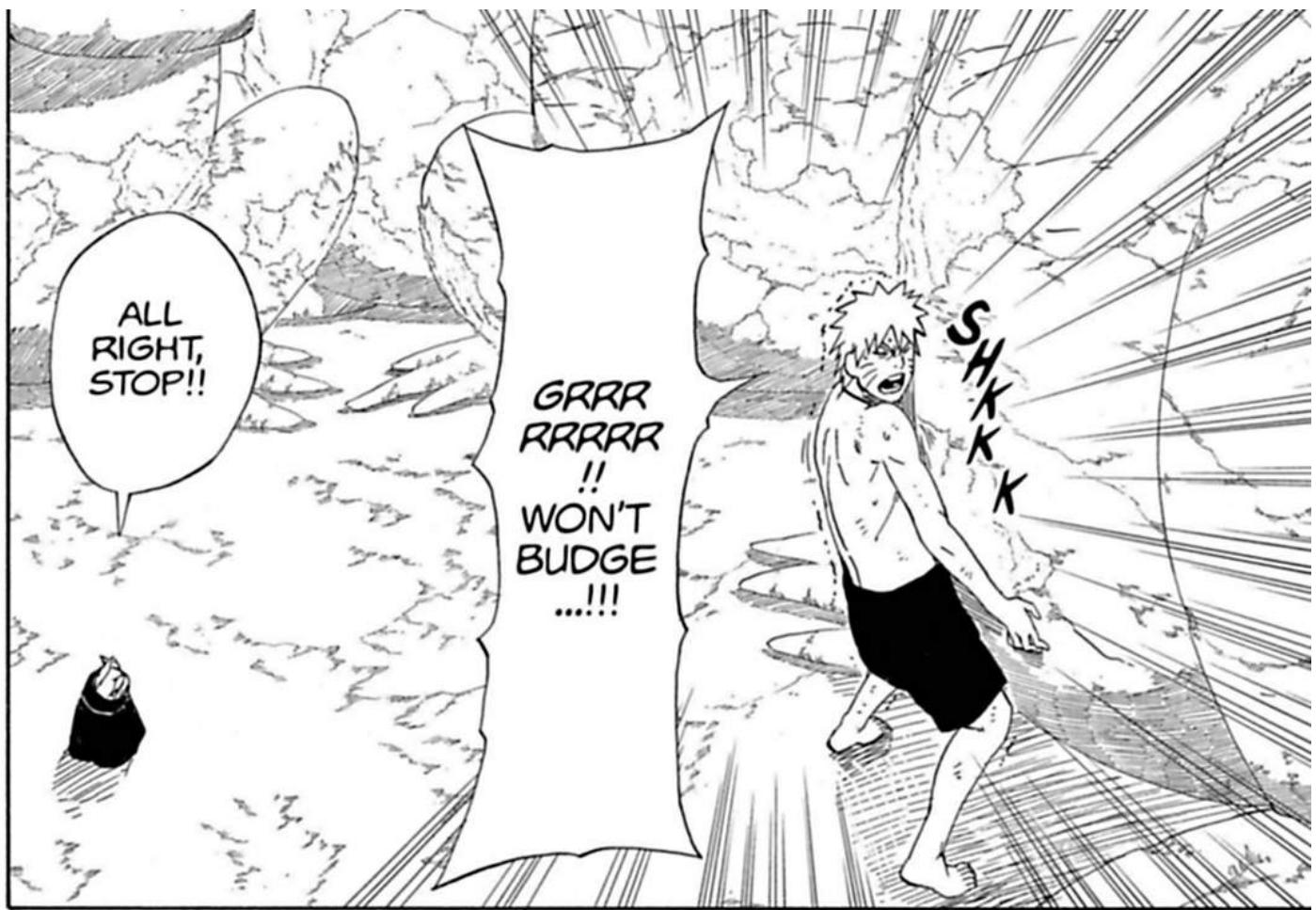
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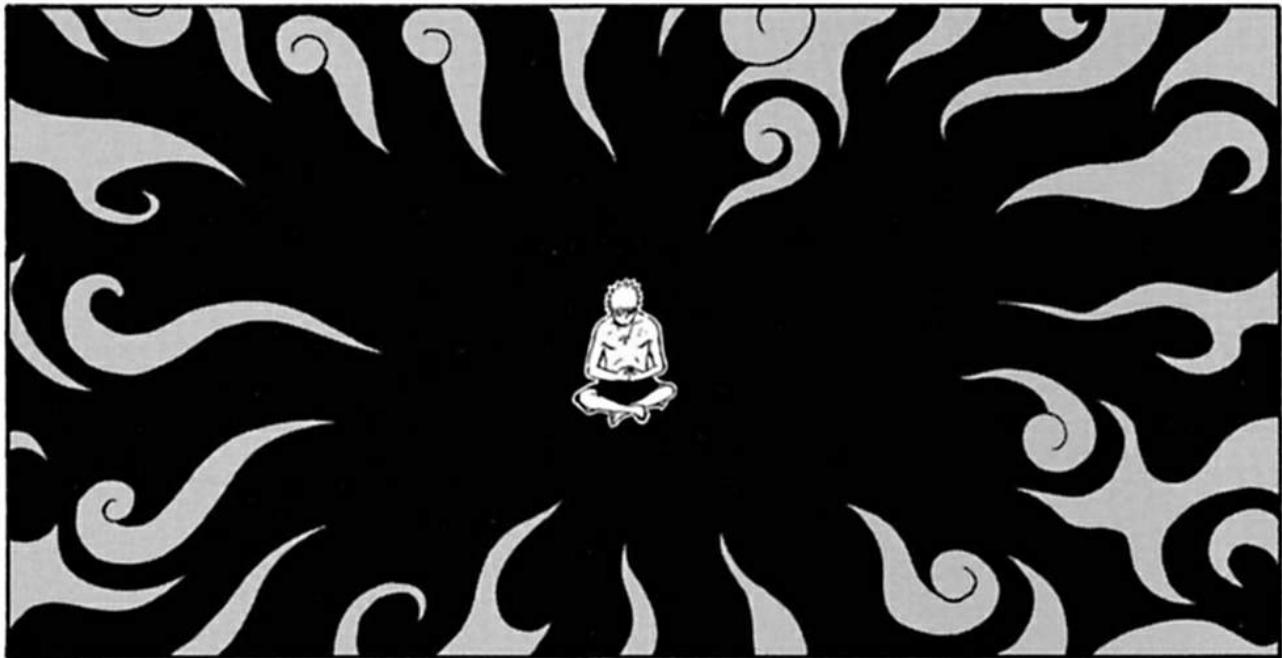


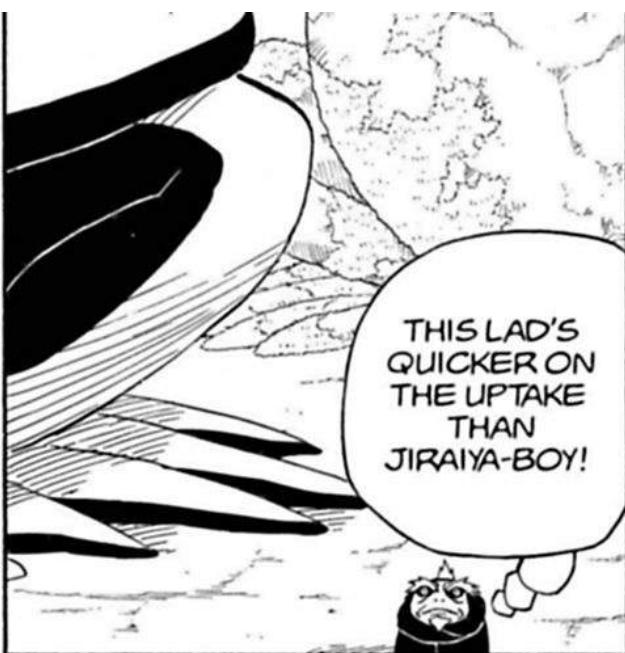
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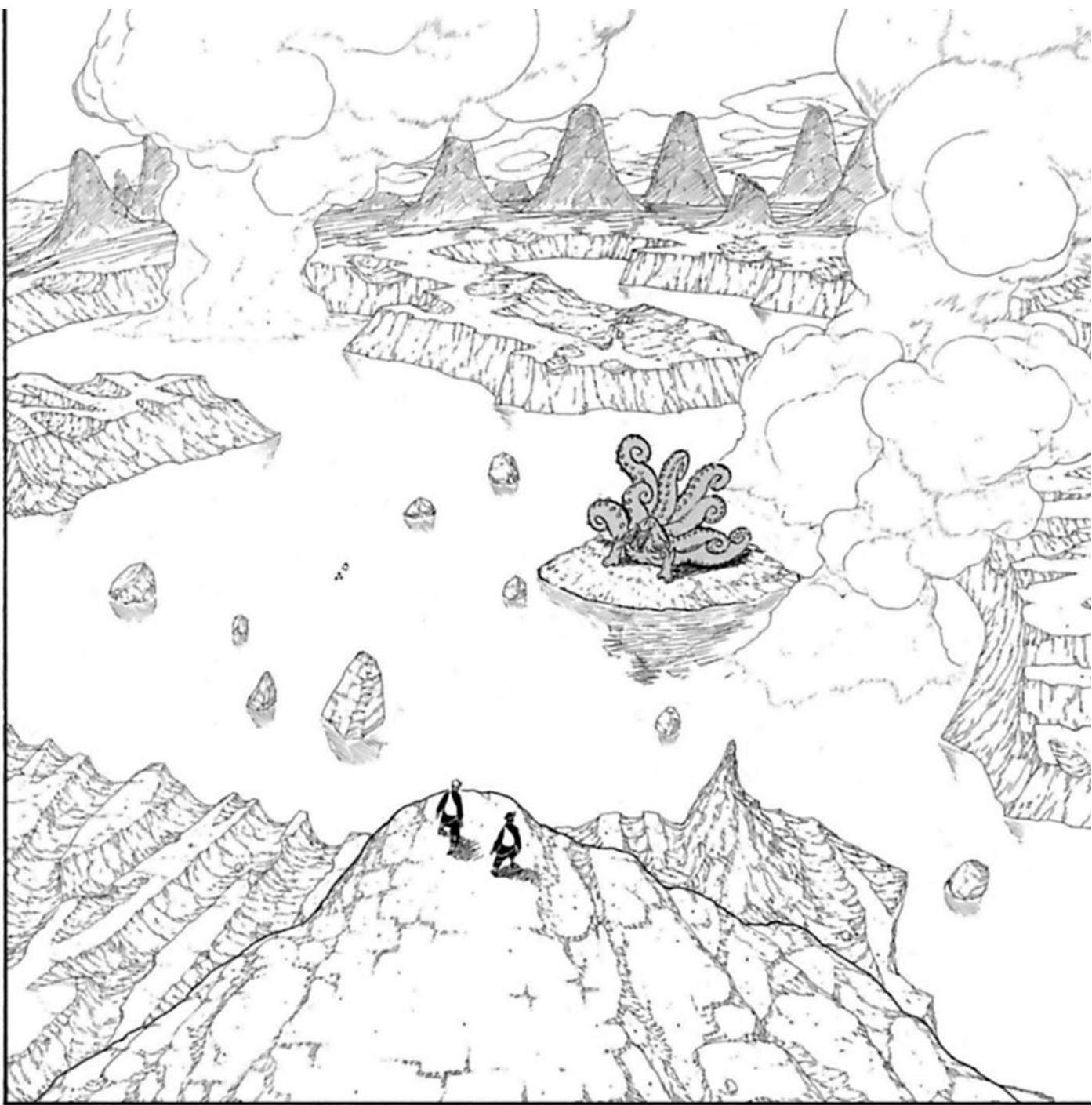
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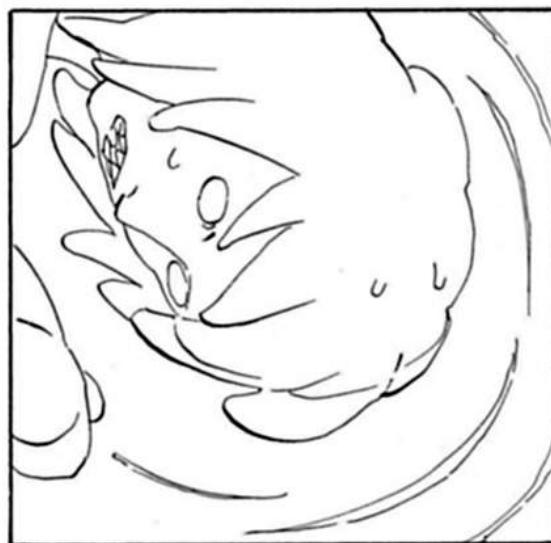


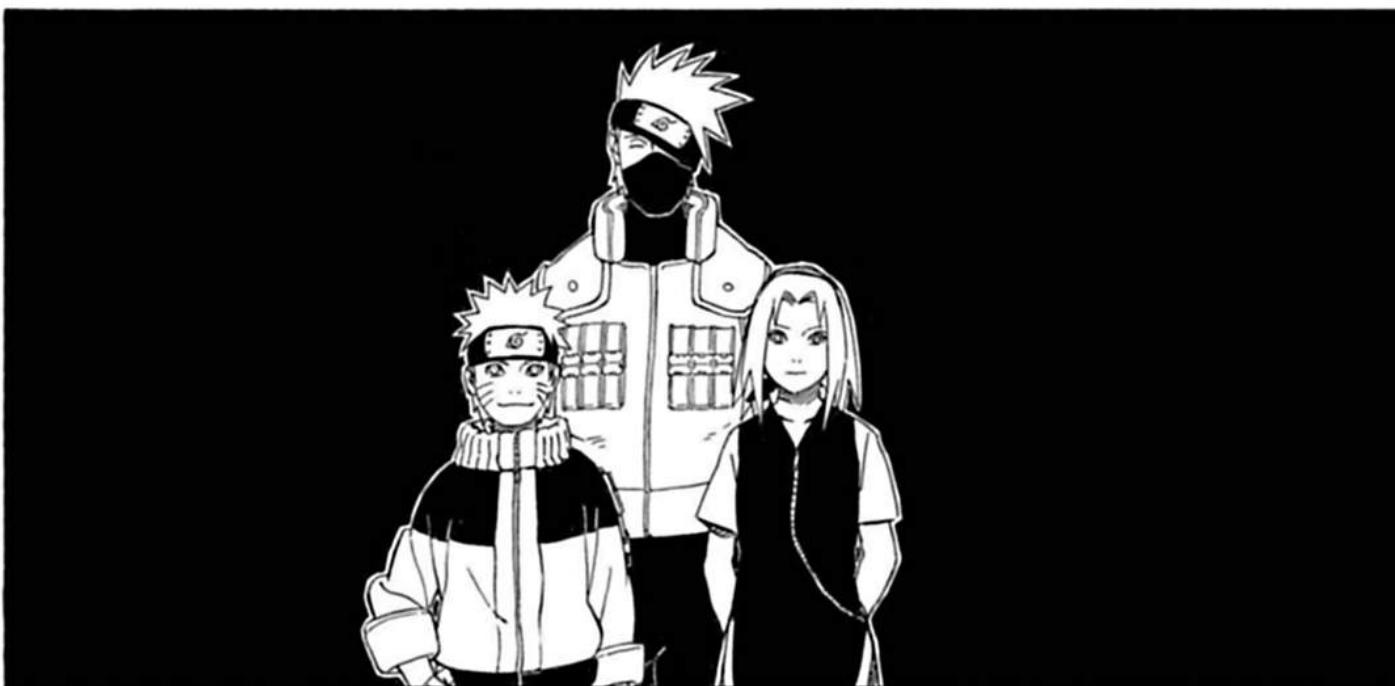
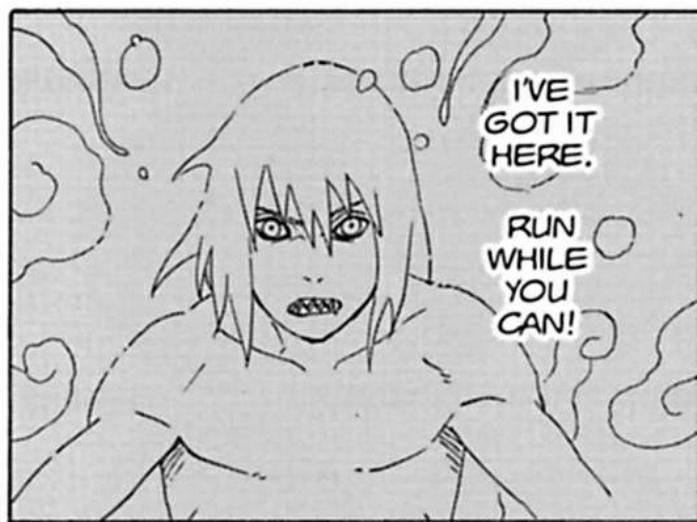
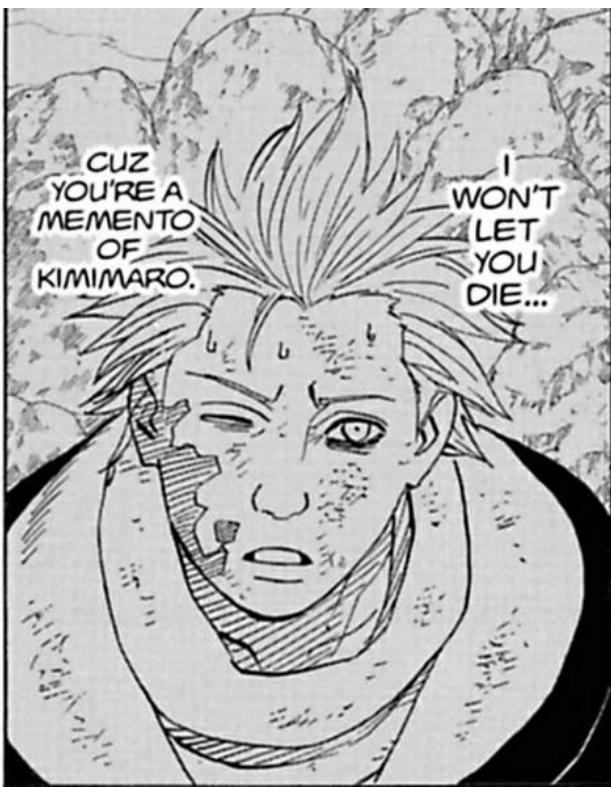


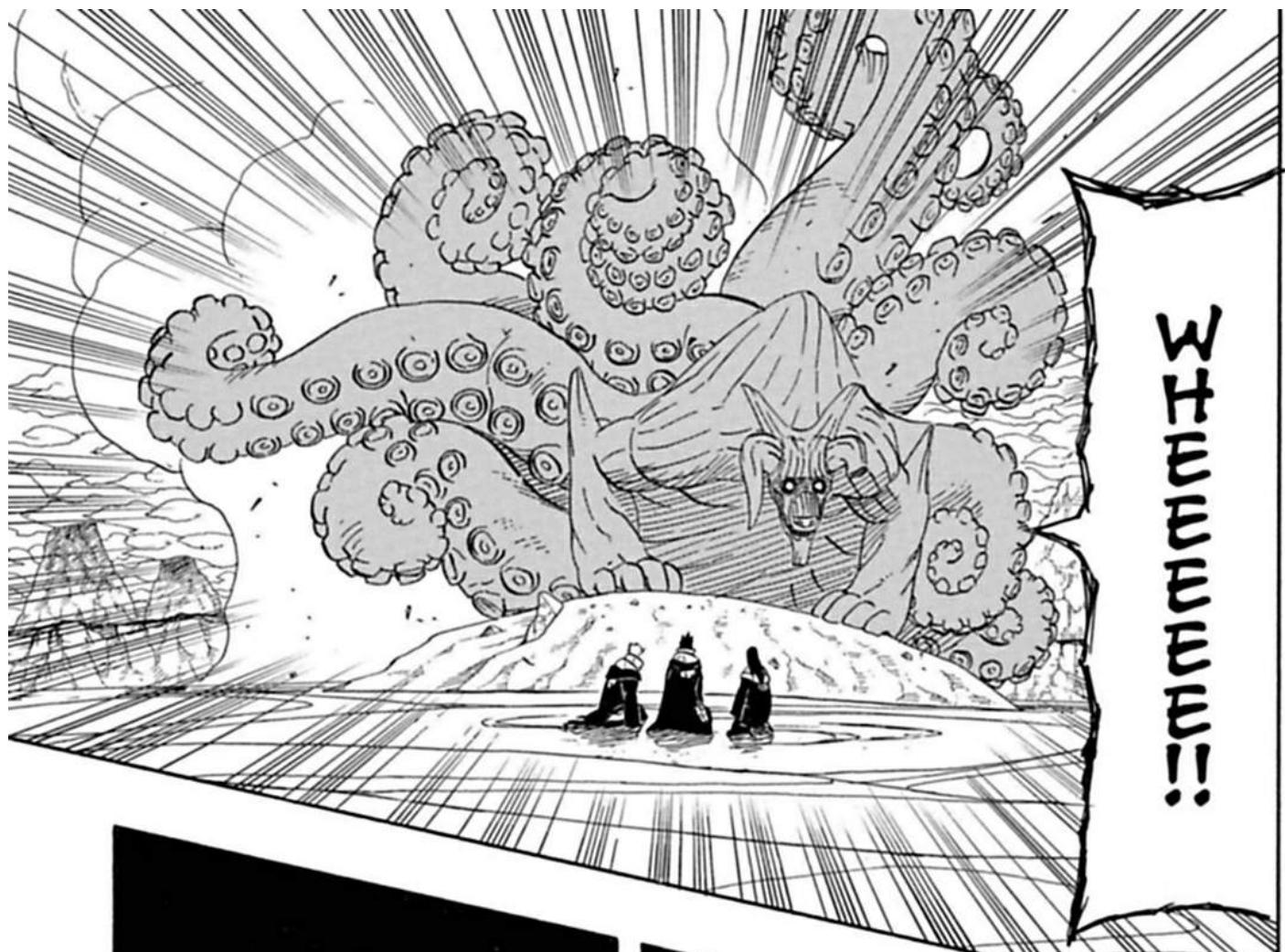
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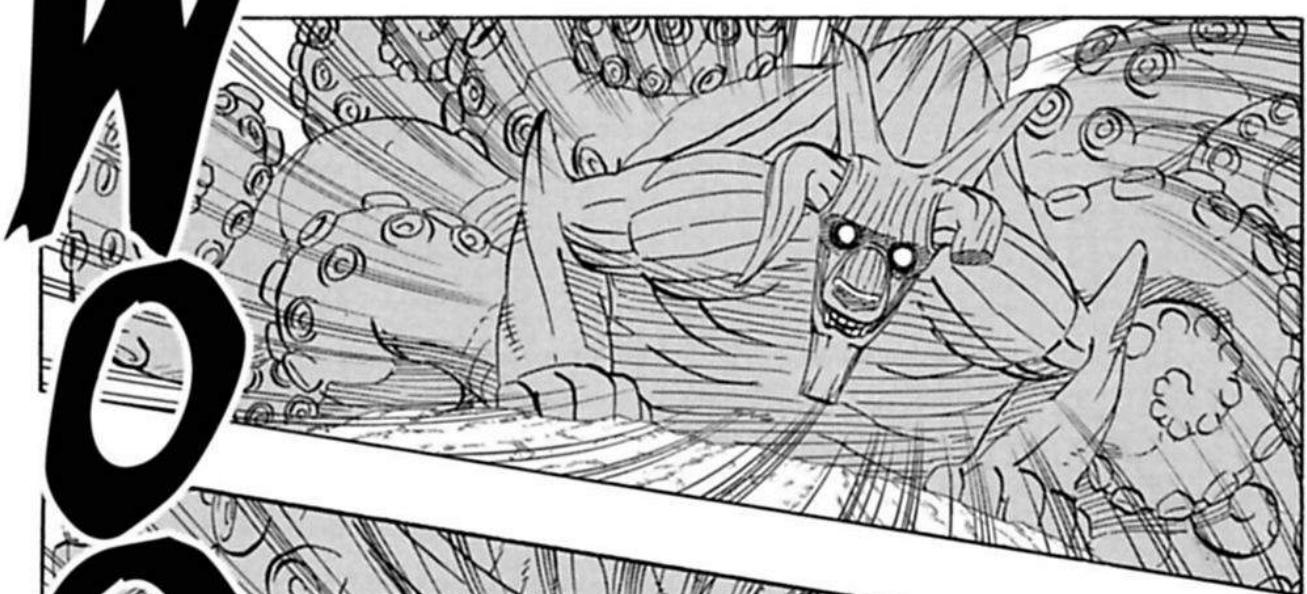




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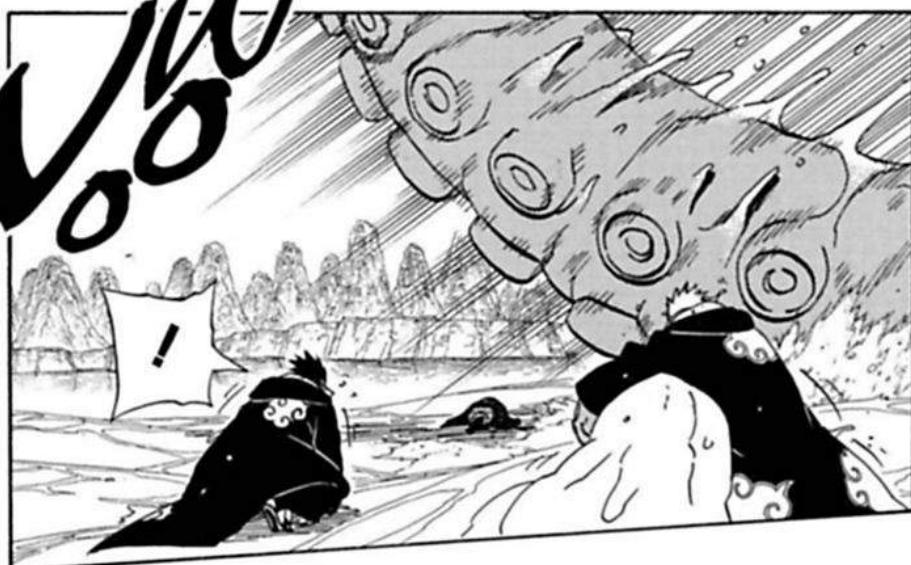
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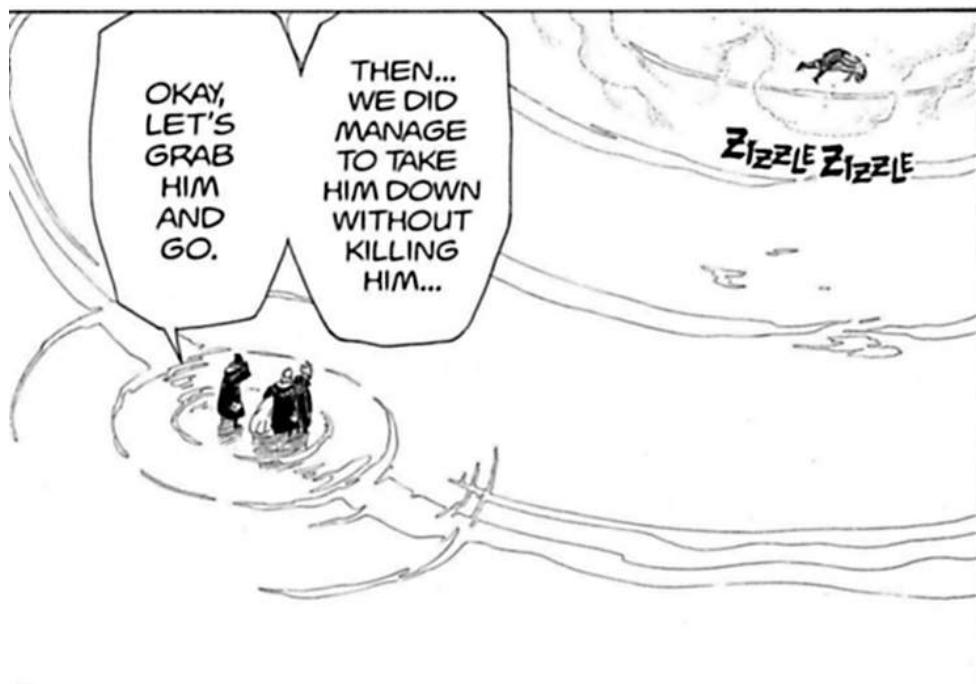


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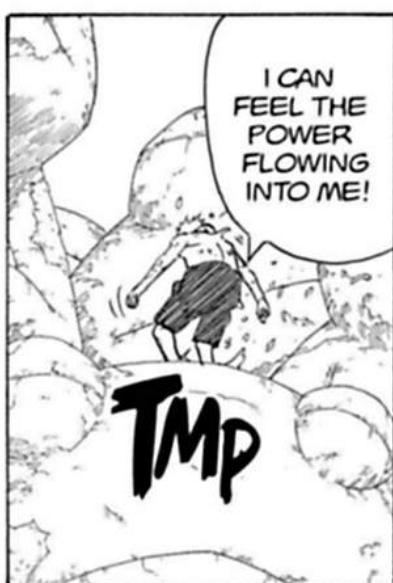
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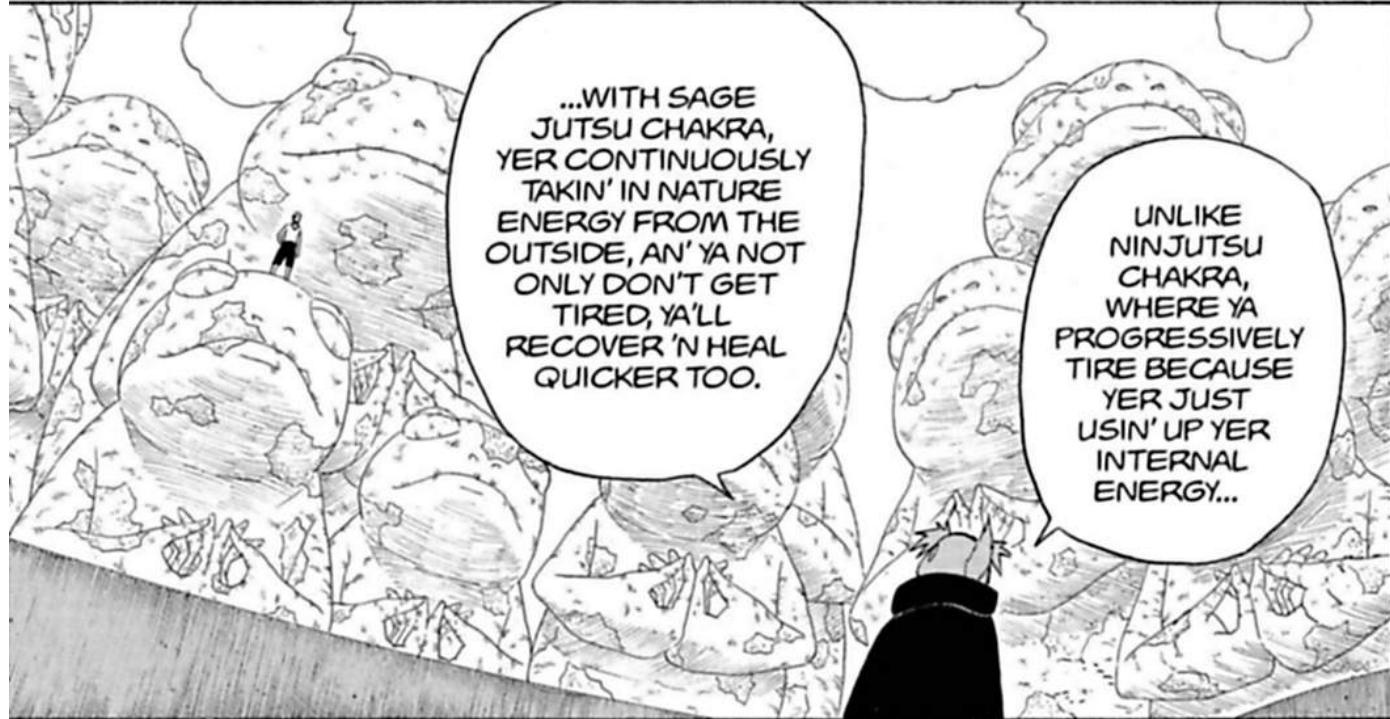




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Tales of a
Gutsy Shinobi



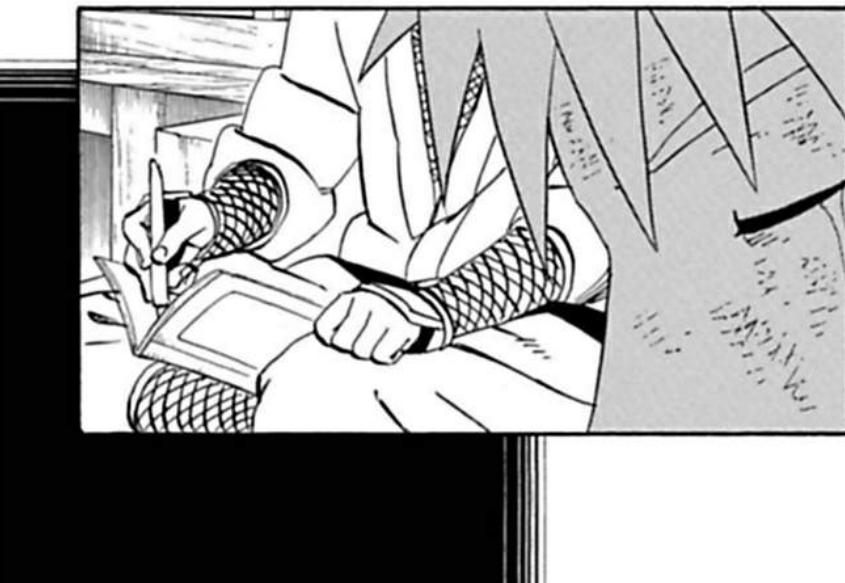
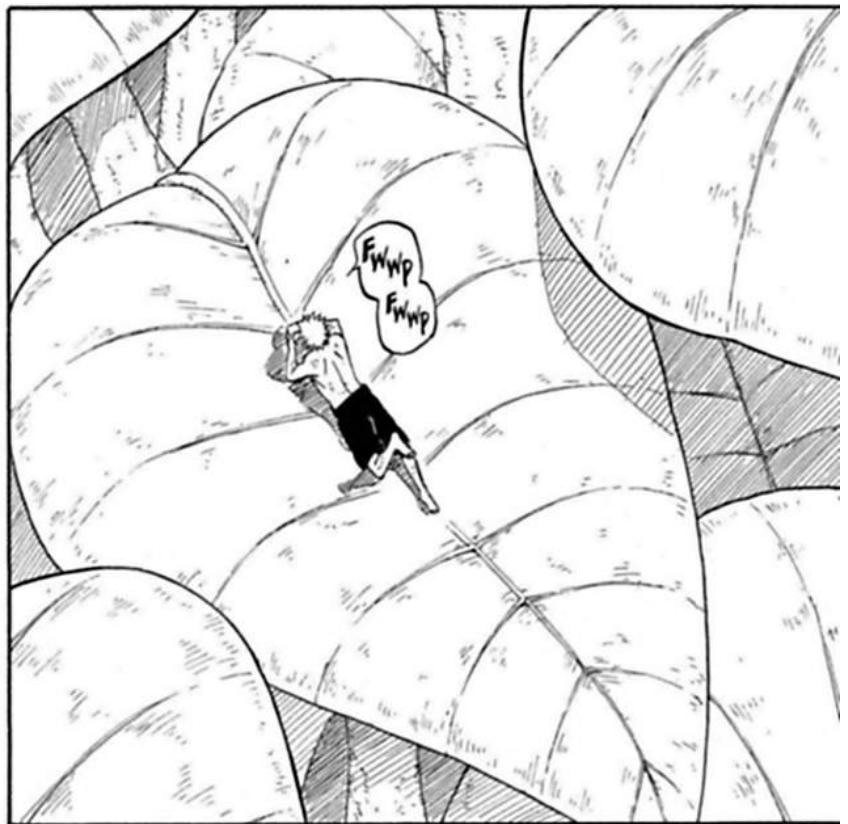
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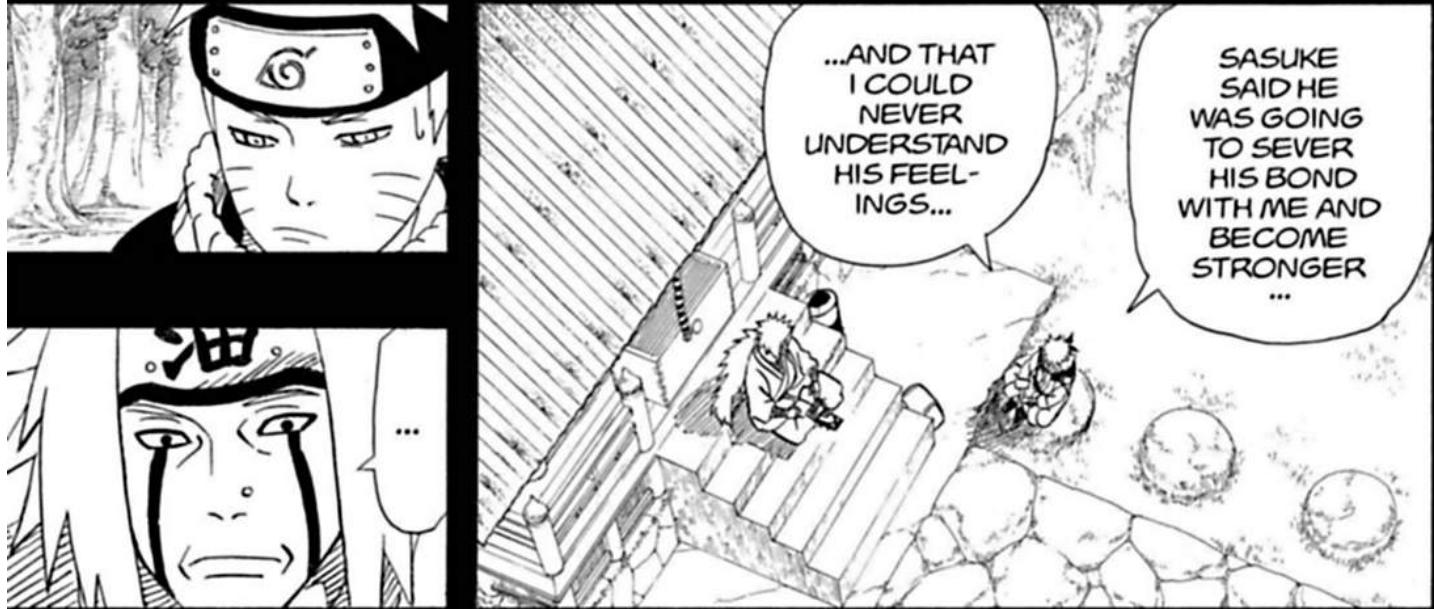


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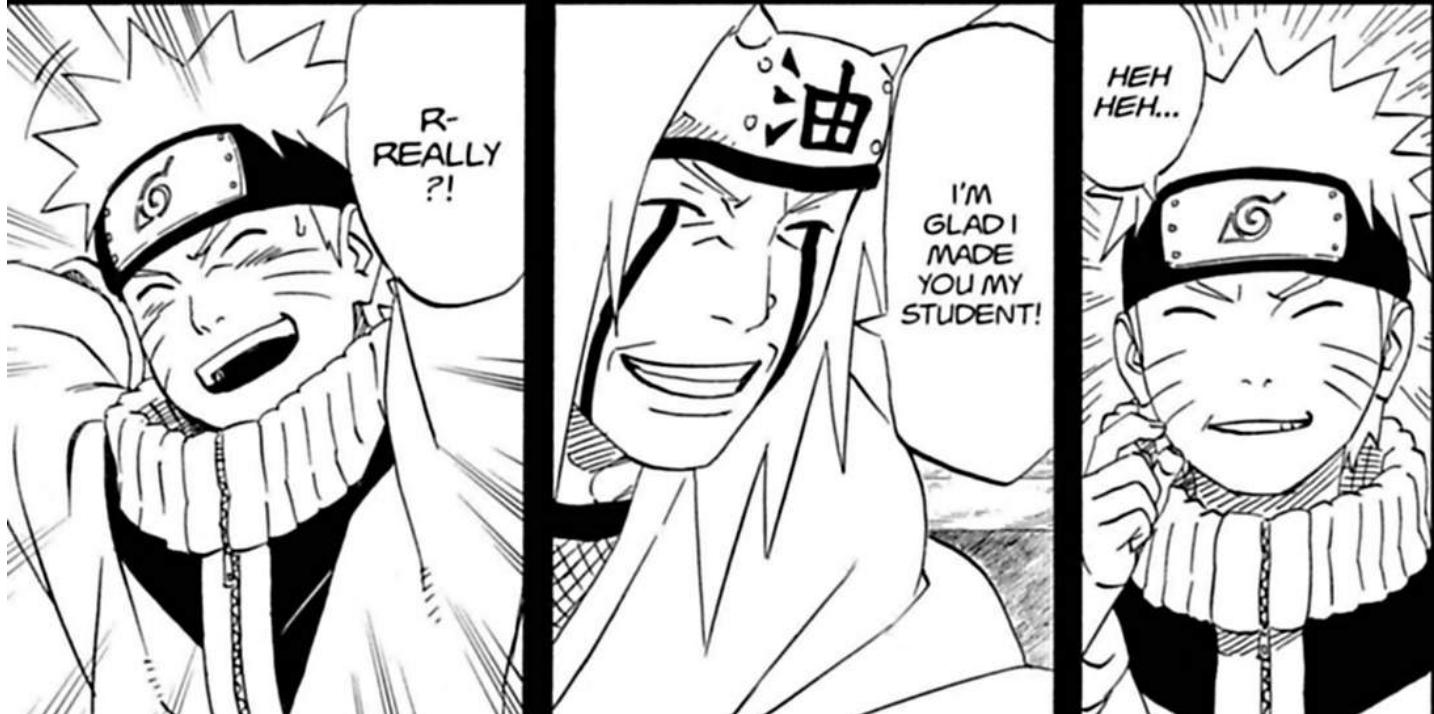


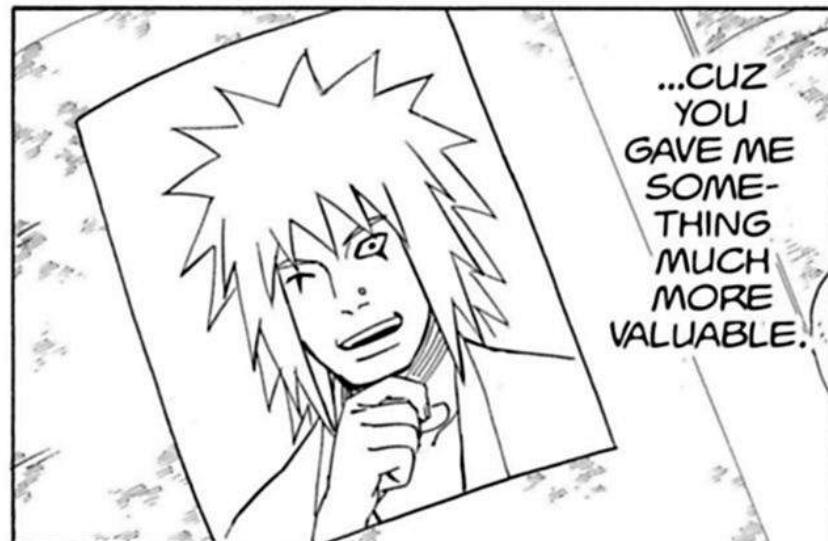
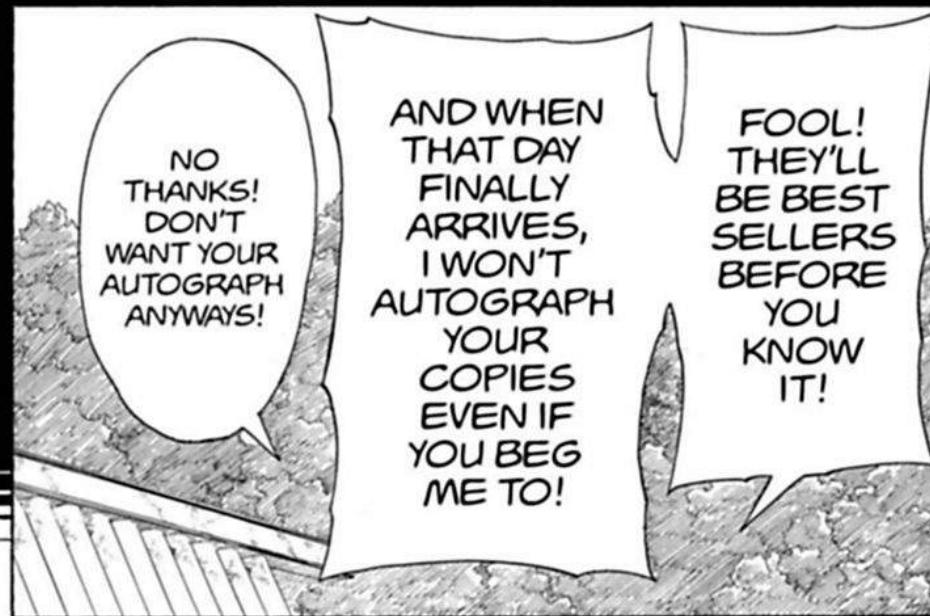
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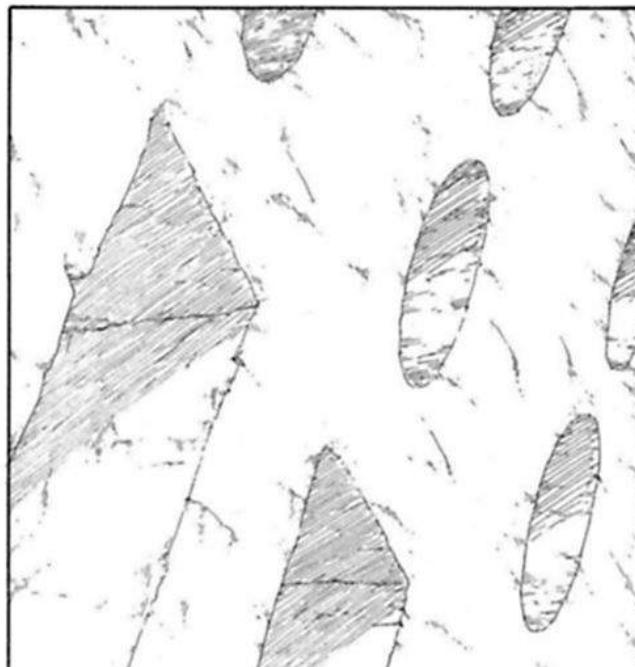
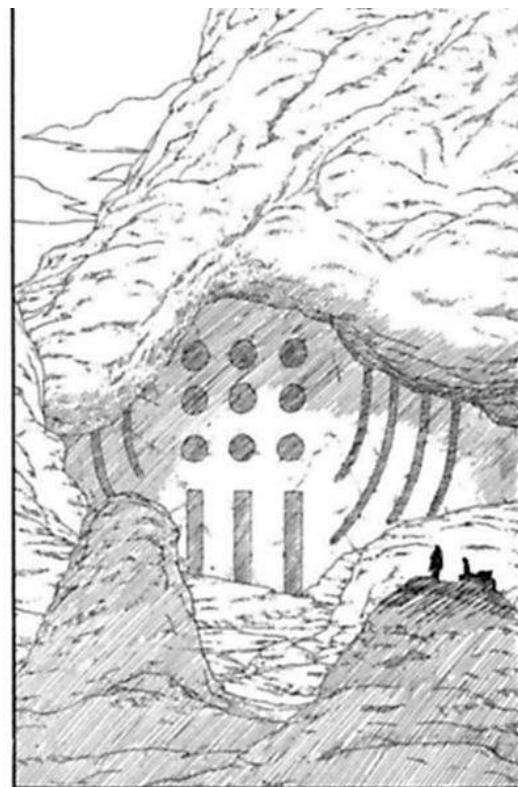
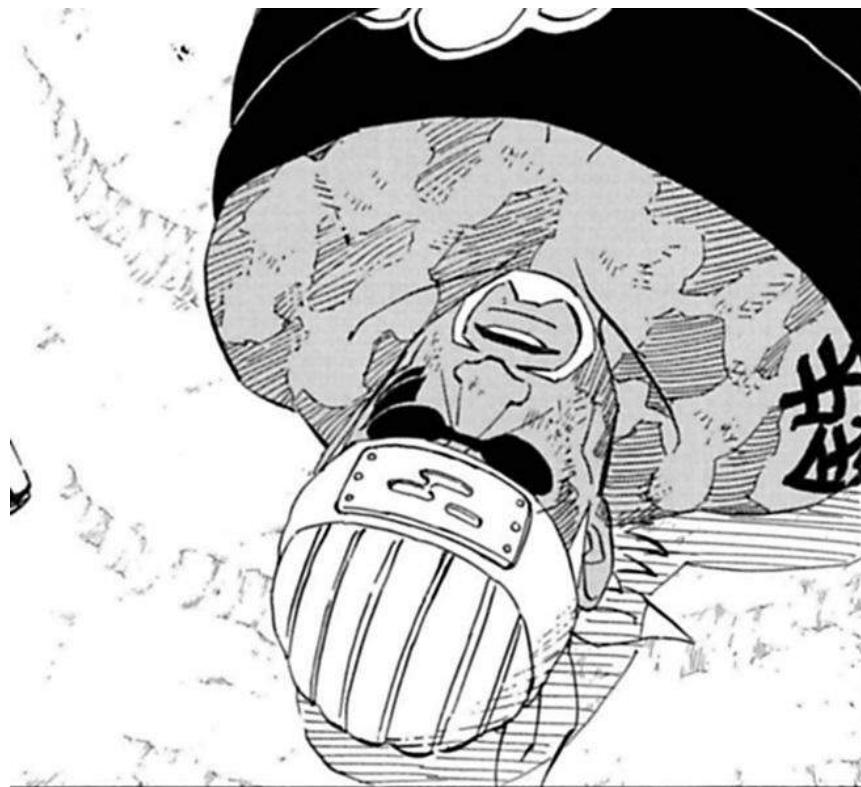




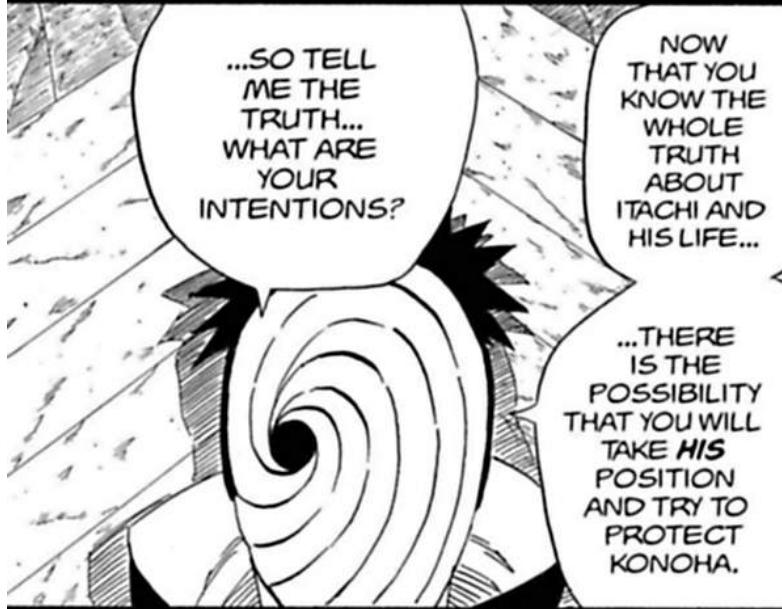
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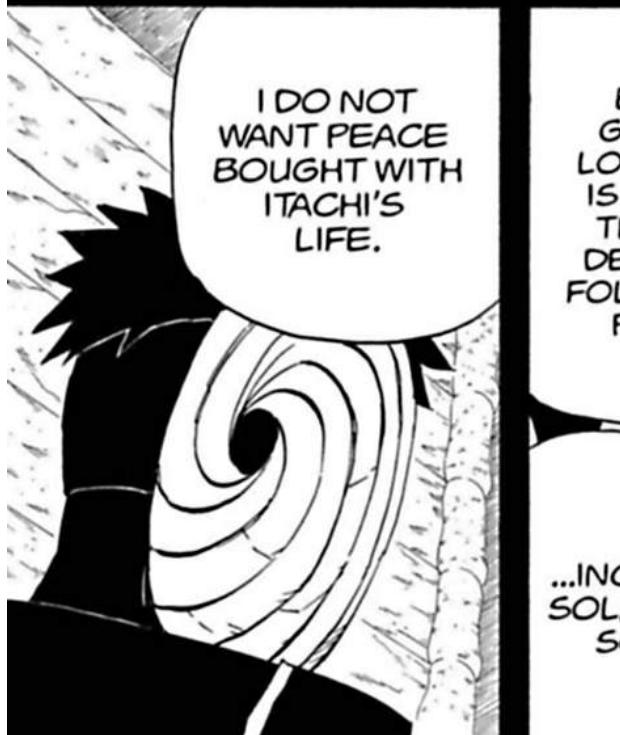






NOW THAT YOU KNOW THE WHOLE TRUTH ABOUT ITACHI AND HIS LIFE...

...THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY THAT YOU WILL TAKE HIS POSITION AND TRY TO PROTECT KONOHA.

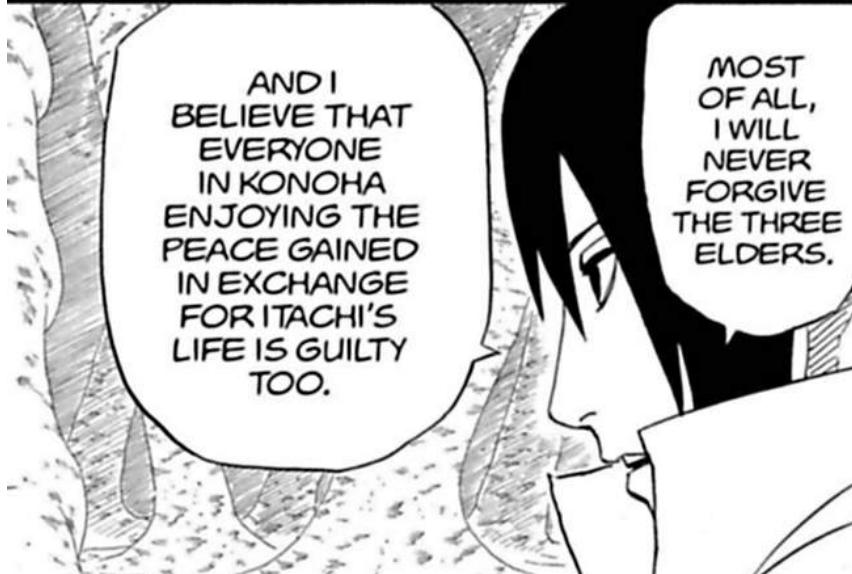


BUT MY GRIEF AT LOSING HIM IS DEEPER THAN ANY DESIRE TO FOLLOW HIS PATH...

...INCONSOLABLY SO.

ITACHI'S LIFE SHOWS HOW HE SACRIFICED HIMSELF TO PROTECT THE VILLAGE.

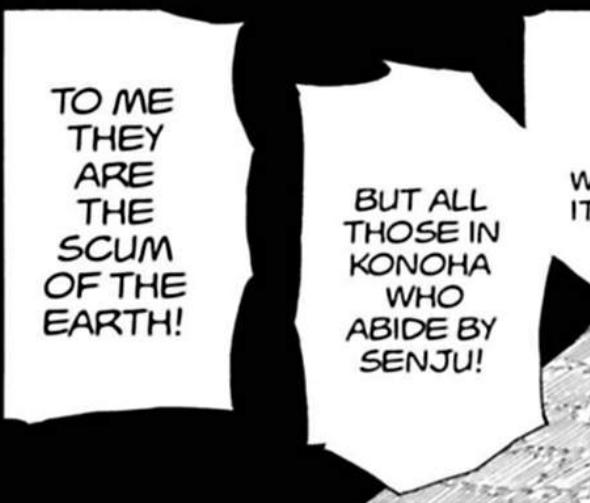
...



MOST OF ALL, I WILL NEVER FORGIVE THE THREE ELDERS.

NOW THAT I KNOW THE TRUTH, I WILL NEVER TAKE HIS SIDE AND PROTECT KONOHA.





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IF YOU WANT TO RIDICULE ME AS A BRAT SWAYED BY HIS EMOTIONS, GO AHEAD.

THEY ARE ALL OBJECTS OF MY VENGEANCE !!

...I'D KILL THEIR LOVED ONES LEFT AND RIGHT!

IF ANYONE WHO WOULD DISPARAGE MY WAY OF LIVING WERE TO COME FORWARD ...

THE FOOLISH SPUTTERING OF THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW HATRED.

TO ACCEPT AND ADOPT ITACHI'S INTENTION WOULD BE CHILDISH.

SO THAT THEY TOO COULD GRASP WHAT IT'S LIKE...



...TO EXPERIENCE THIS HATRED OF MINE.

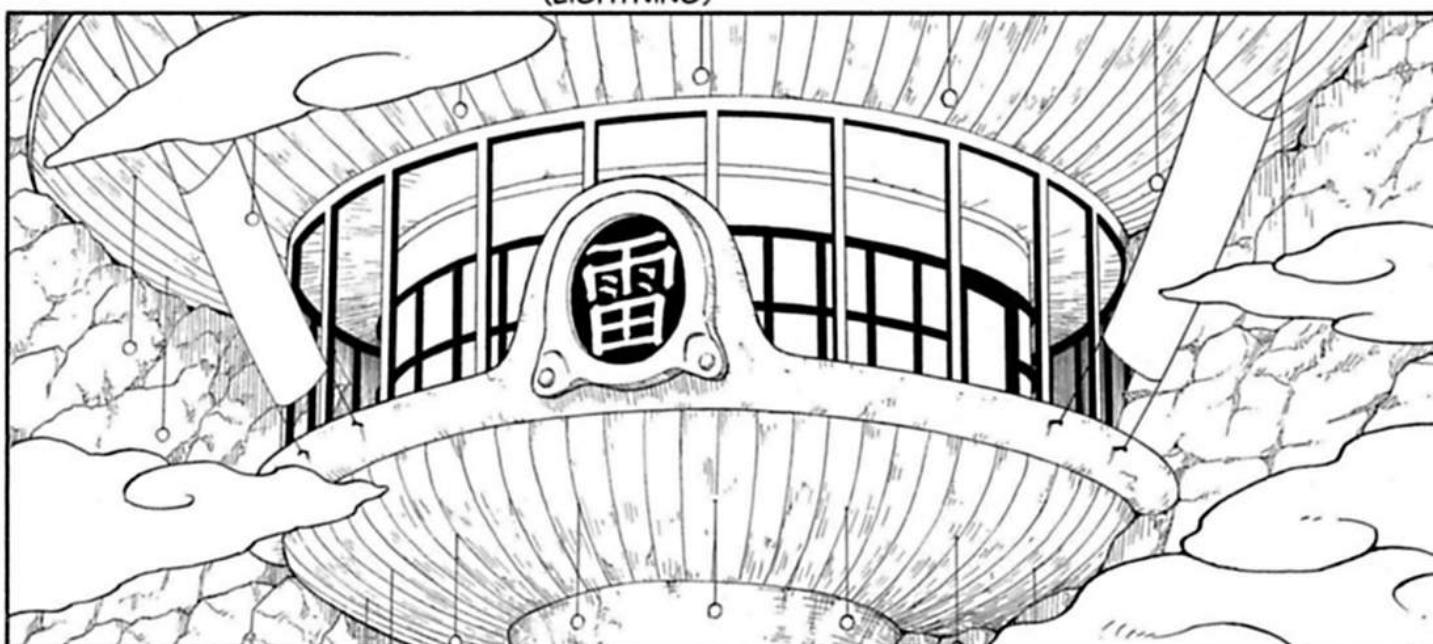


...YOU LEARN WHAT IT IS TO HATE.

ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN HURT...



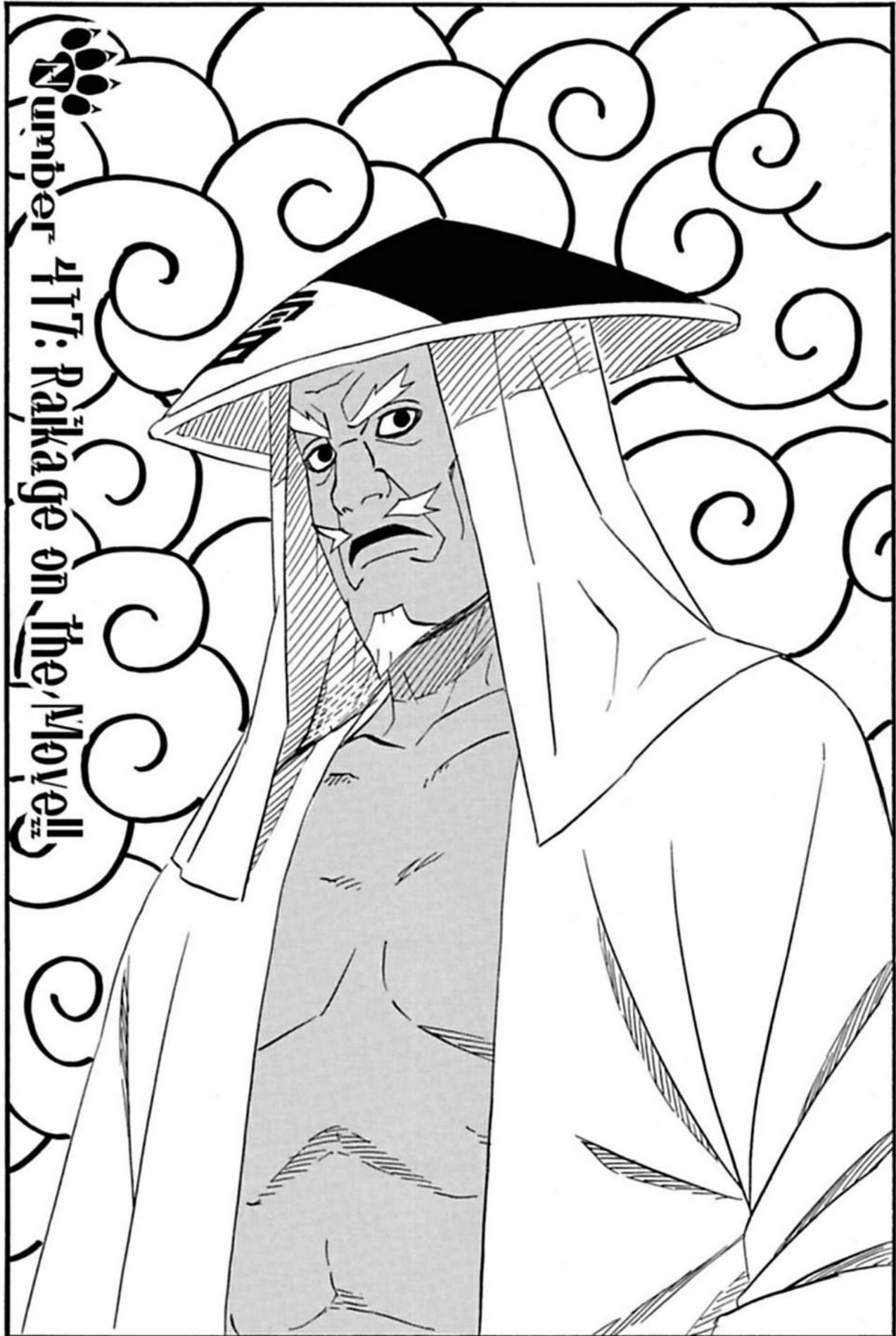
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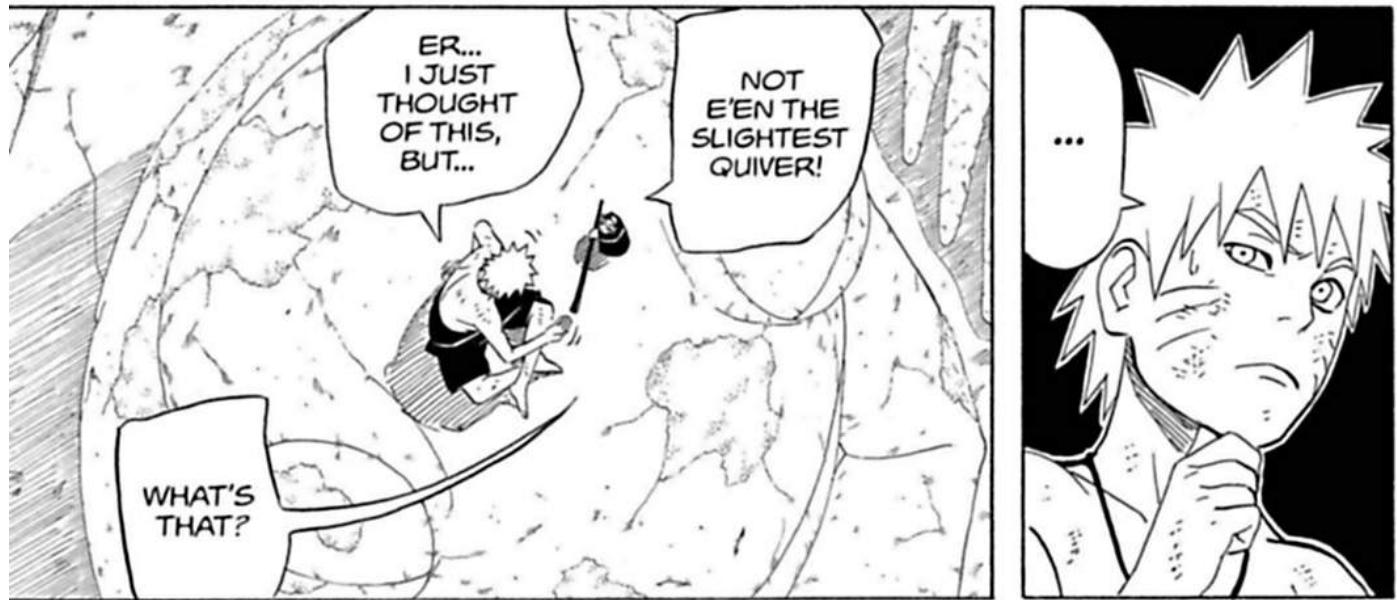








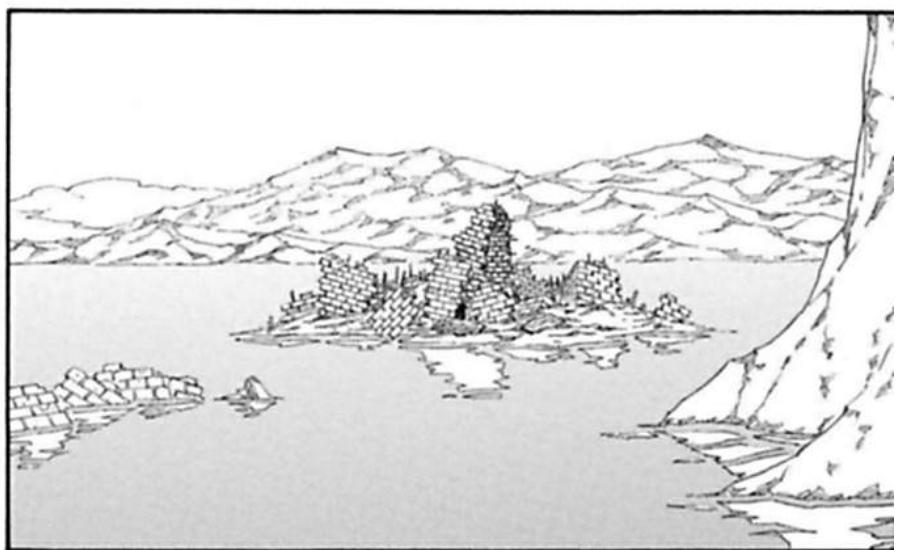
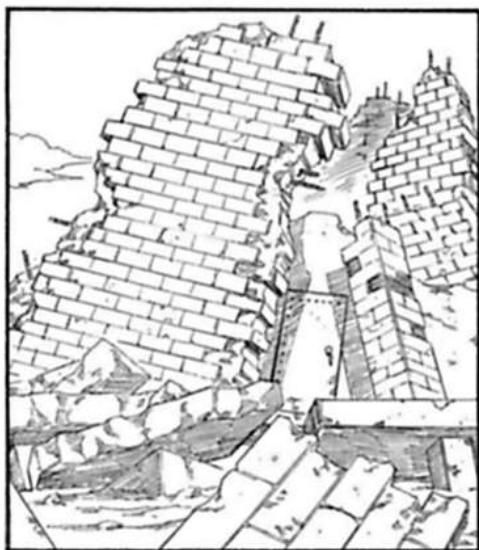
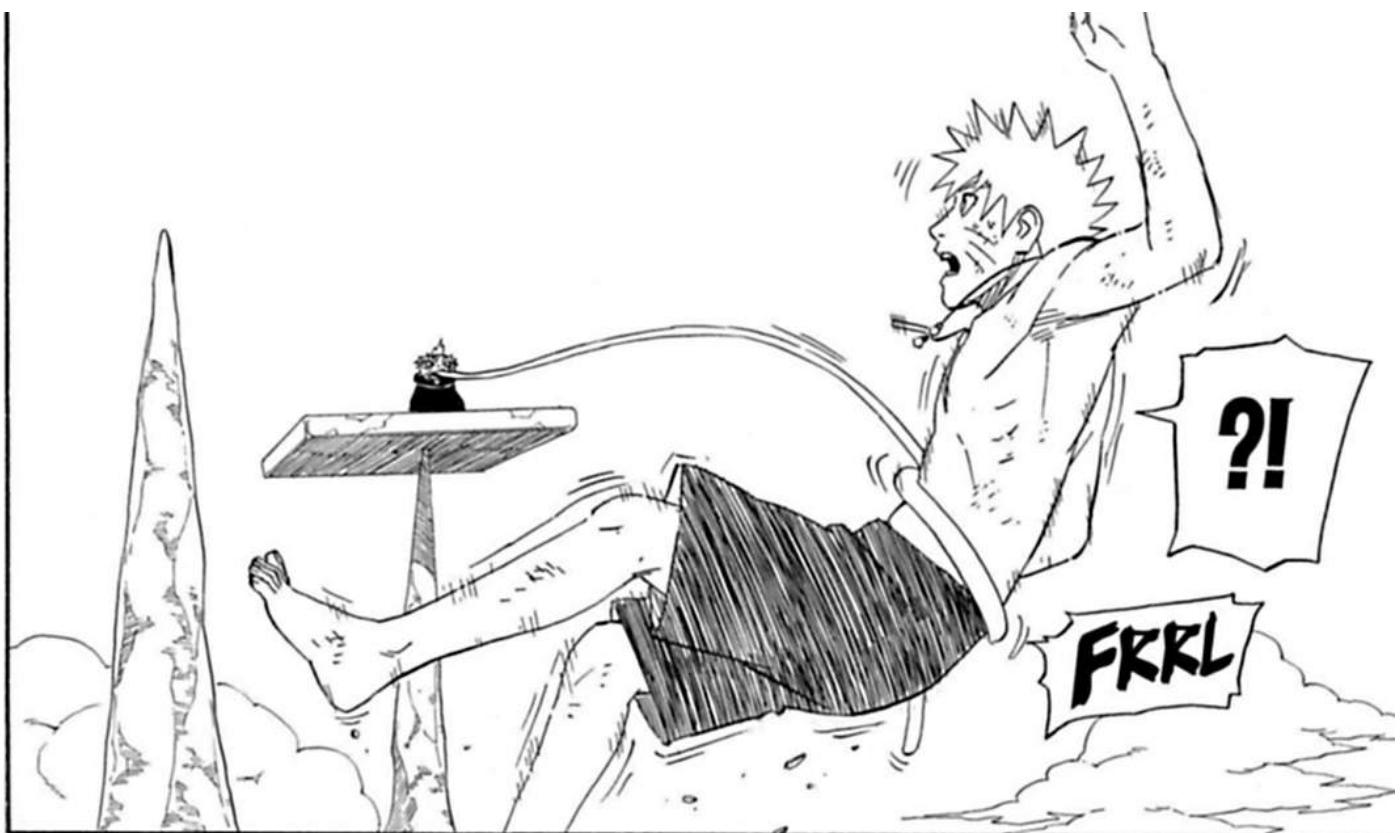
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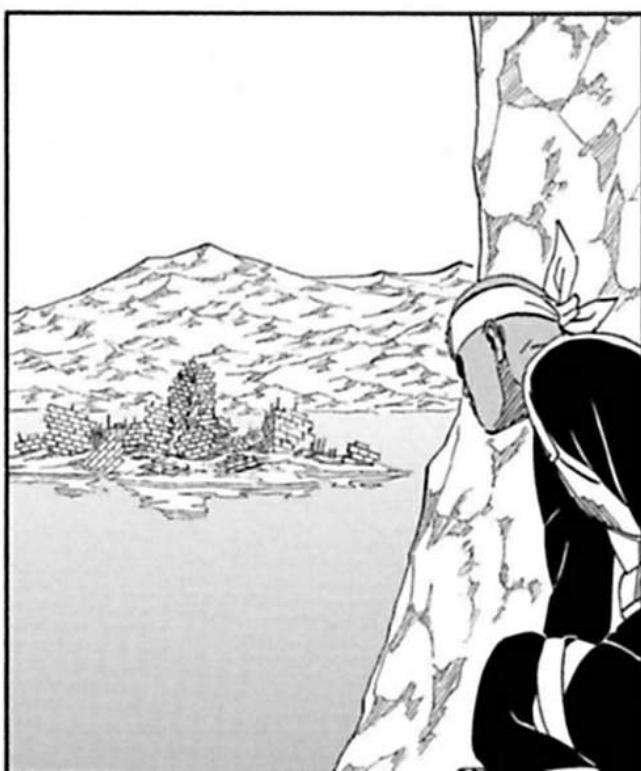
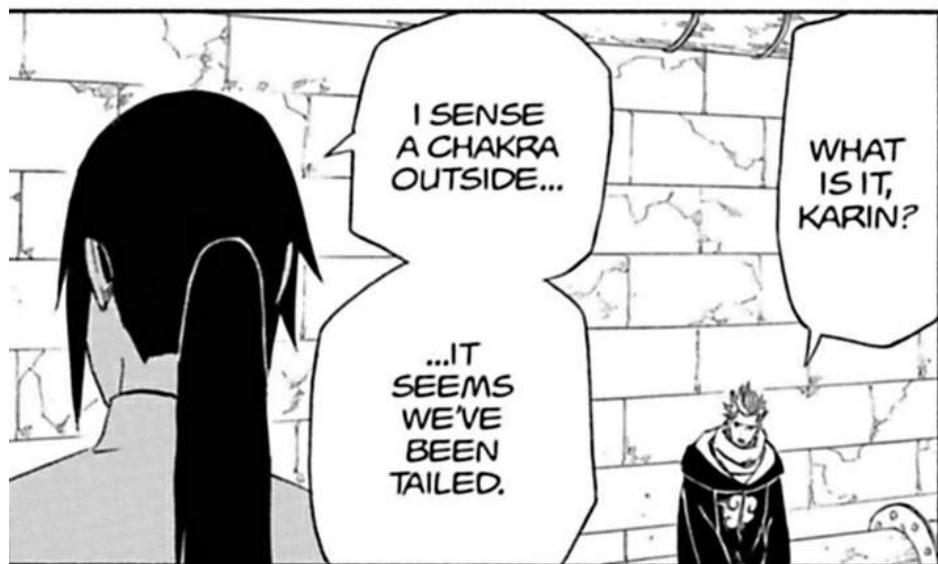
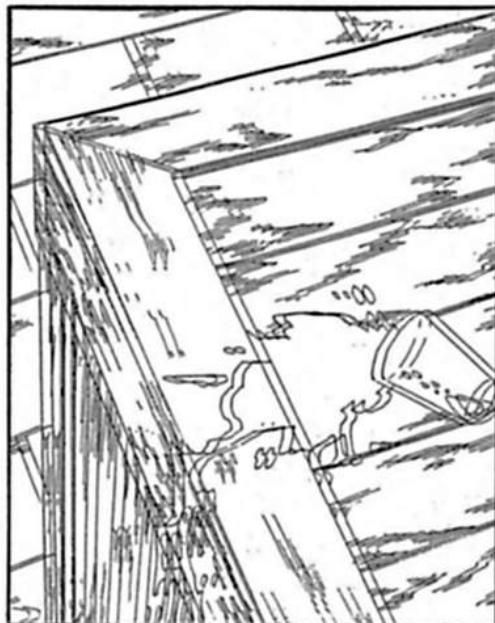


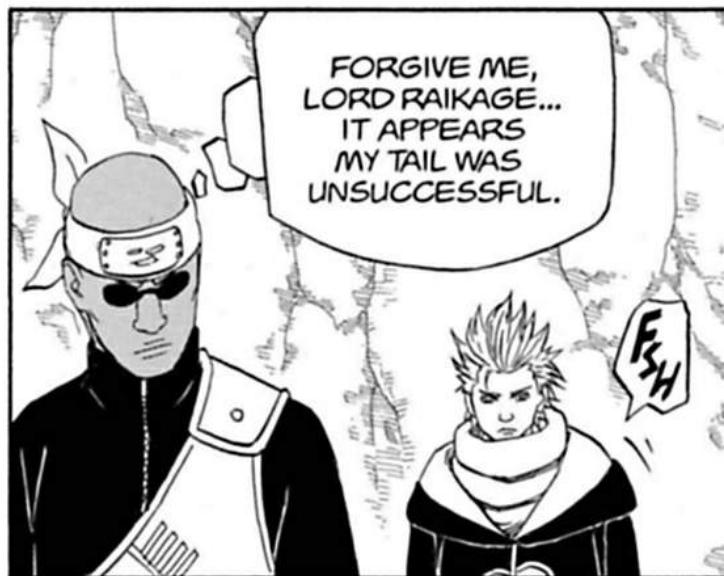
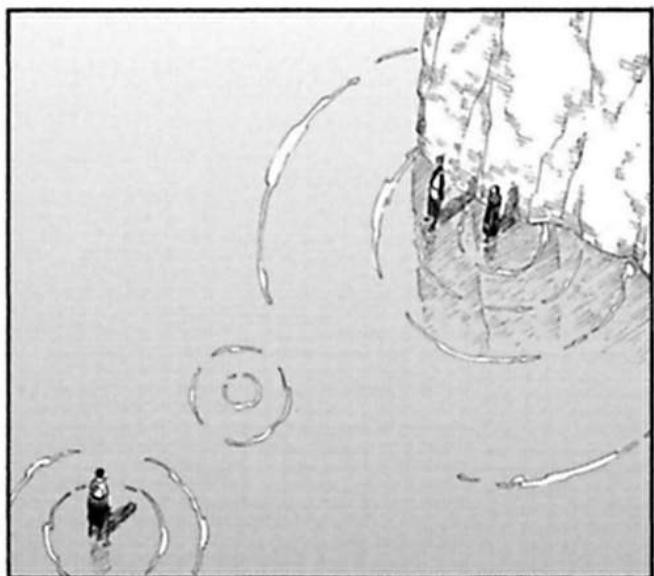


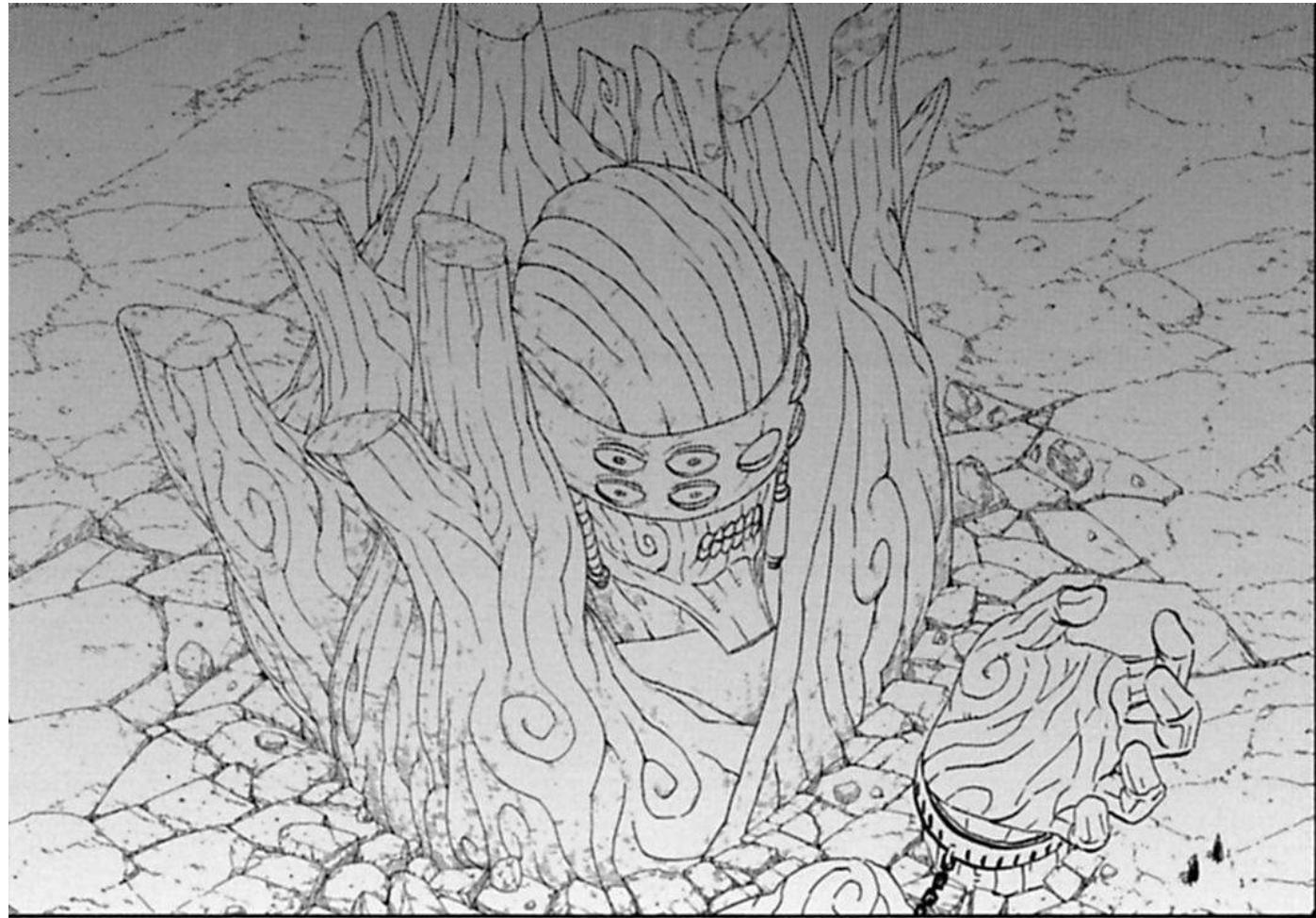


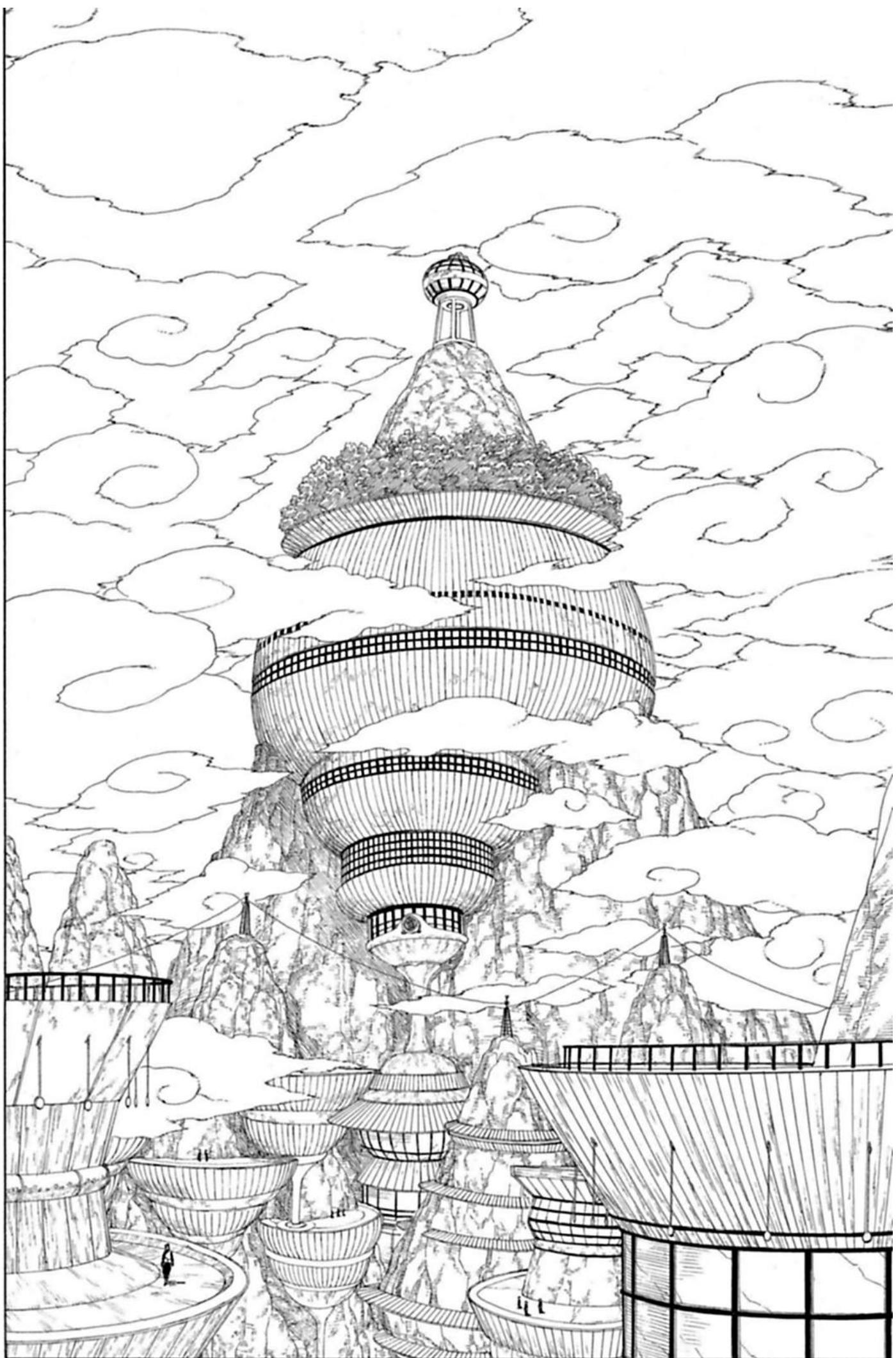


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I CAN'T BELIEVE BEE WAS TAKEN DOWN!

NOT JUST YUGITO, BUT NOW BEE TOO.

WHY ARE THERE UCHIHA MEMBERS IN THE AKATSUKI?!

I HEARD A KONOHAGAKURE UCHIHA FELLOW KIDNAPPED MY LITTLE BROTHER!

ONCE WE'VE PINPOINTED THE ENEMY'S WHEREABOUTS, WE'LL SEND IN FOUR CELLS...

...RESUCE LORD KILLER BEE, AND WIPE OUT THE ENEMY.

WE'VE RECEIVED SEVERAL MESSENGER LIZARDS FROM JAY.

THEY WHO WERE SO QUICK TO REACT OVER THE HYUGA INCIDENT!

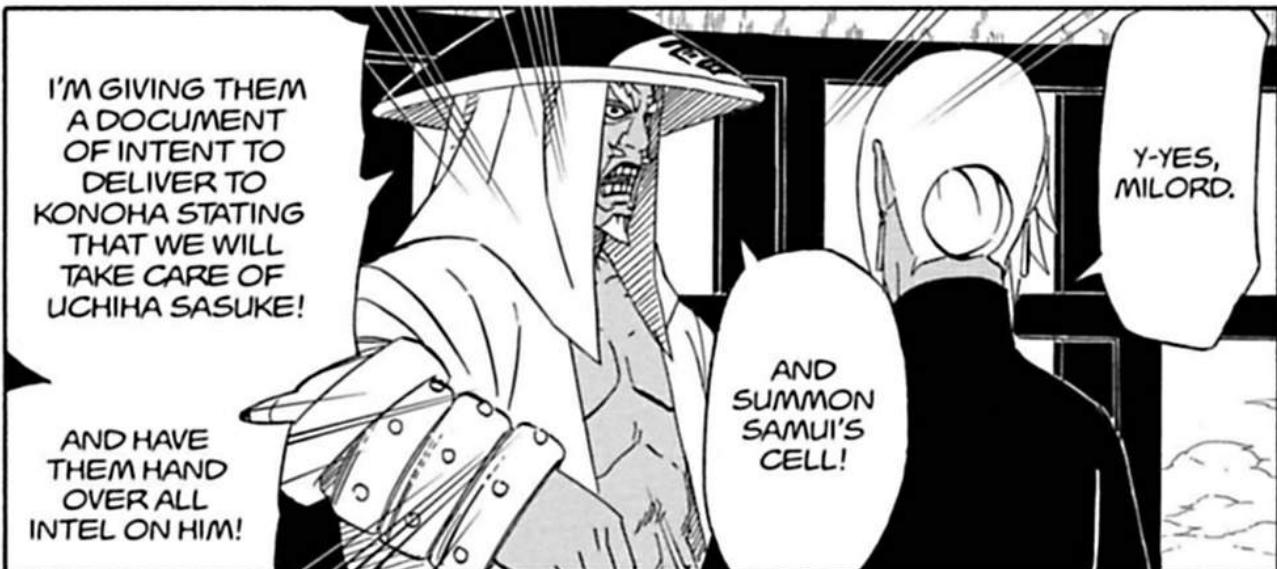
WHY ISN'T THE HOKAGE DOING ANYTHING ABOUT THEIR ROGUE NINJA?!

IT APPEARS HE WENT ROGUE QUITE A WHILE AGO.

IT WAS UCHIHA SASUKE ...



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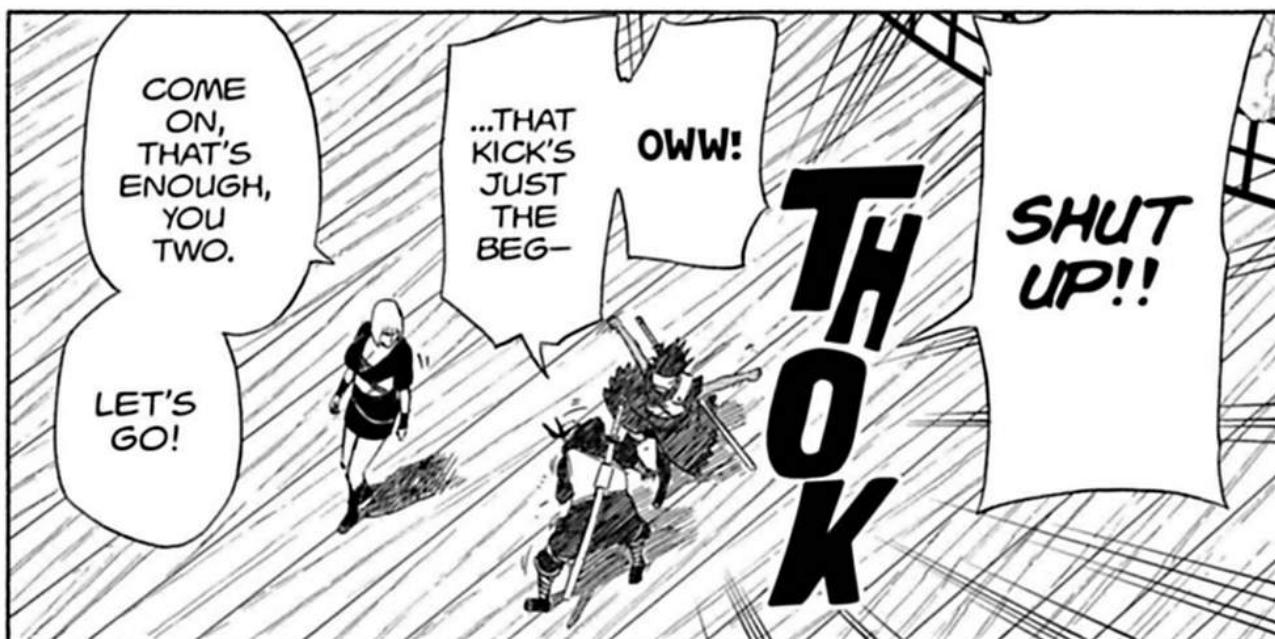


COULD
HE HAVE
FOUND
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MY BODY
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INDEX HAS
SPIKED?

...OR
ARE WE
ABOUT
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WHAT
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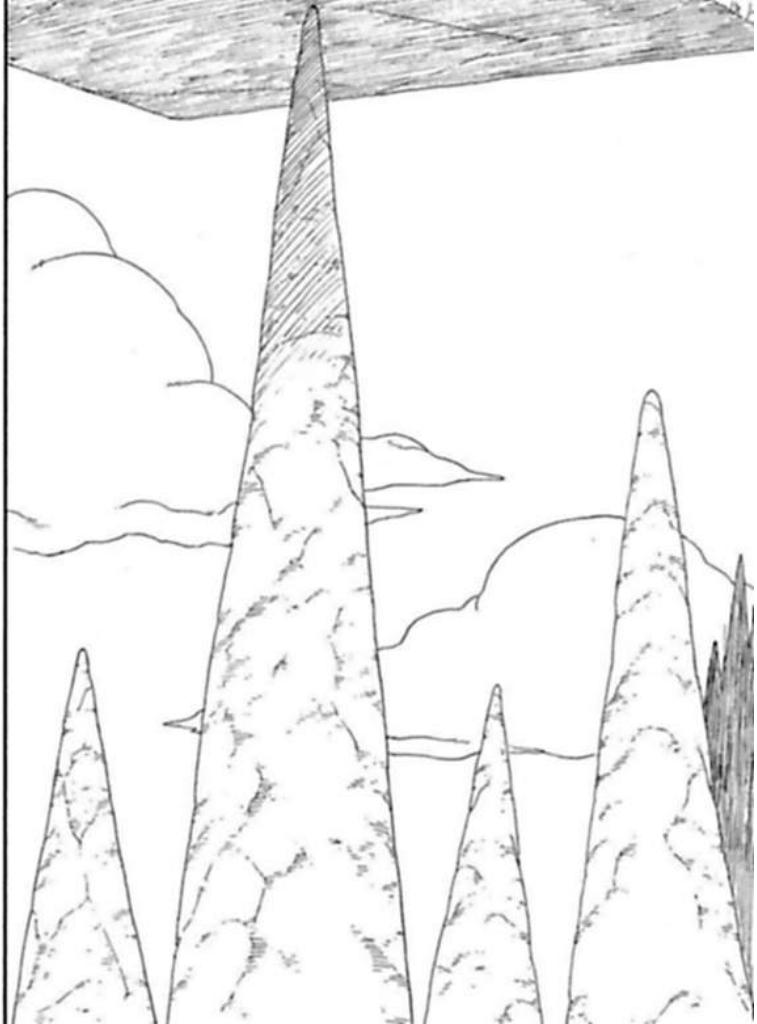
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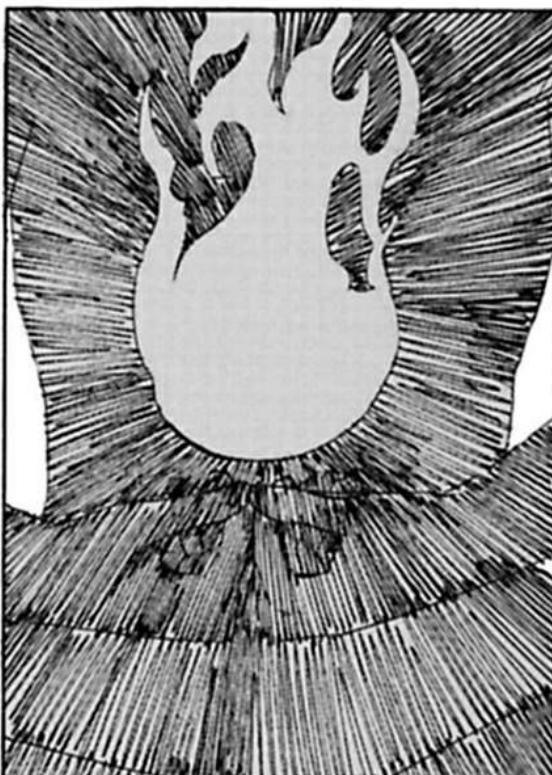
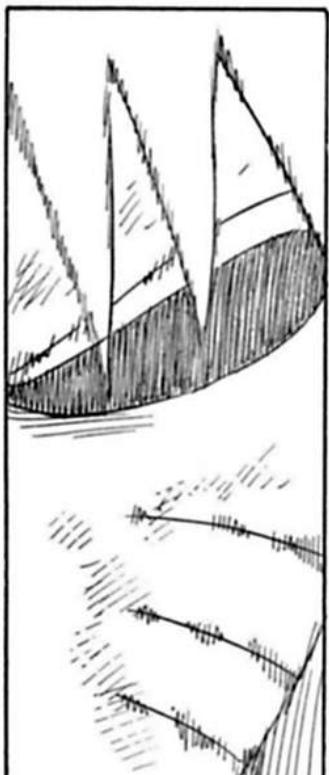


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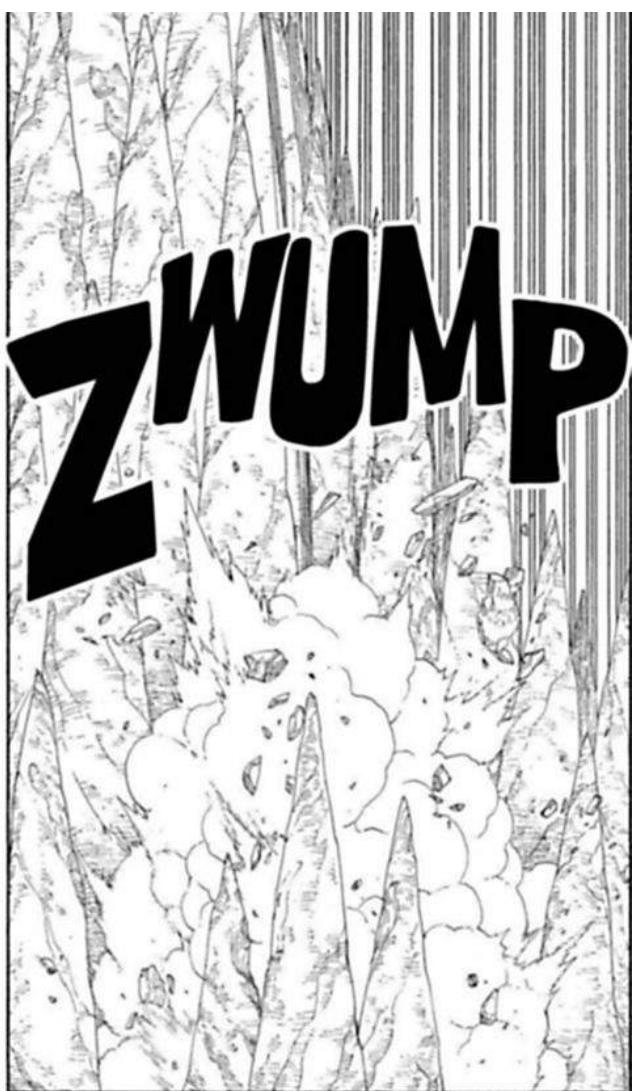


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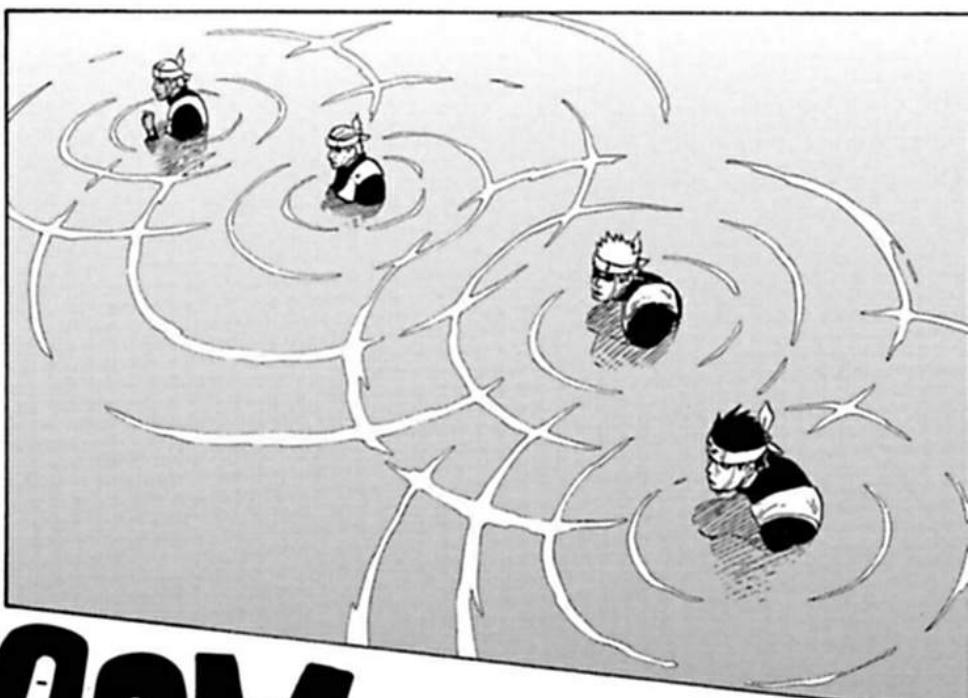
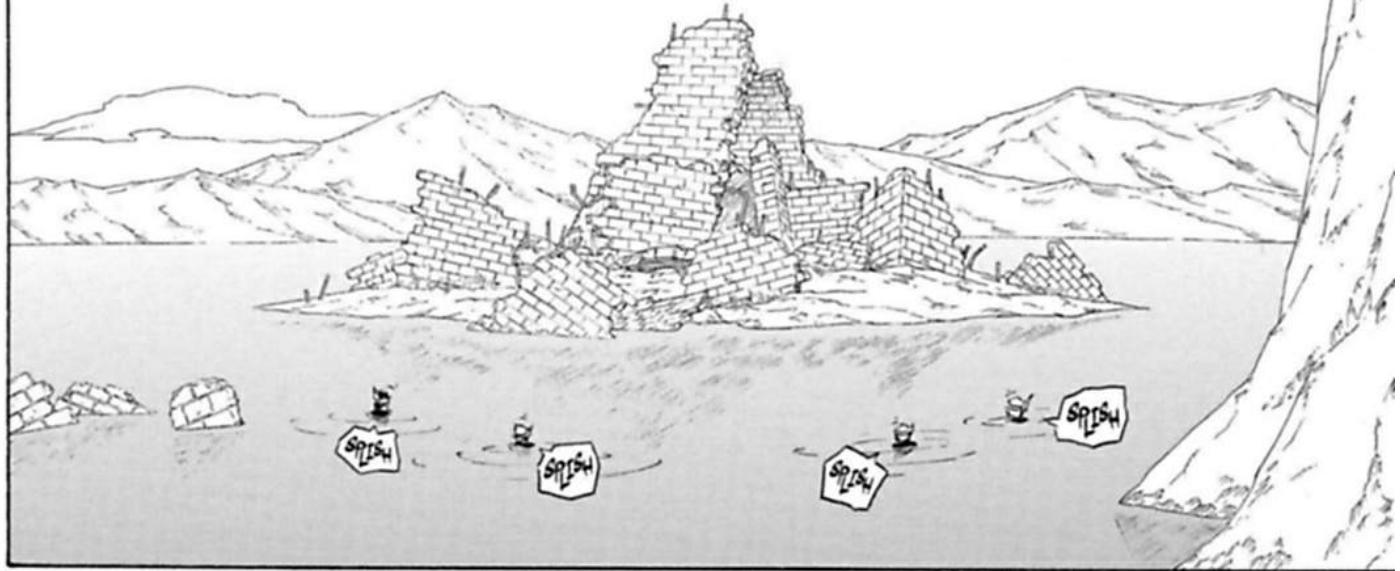




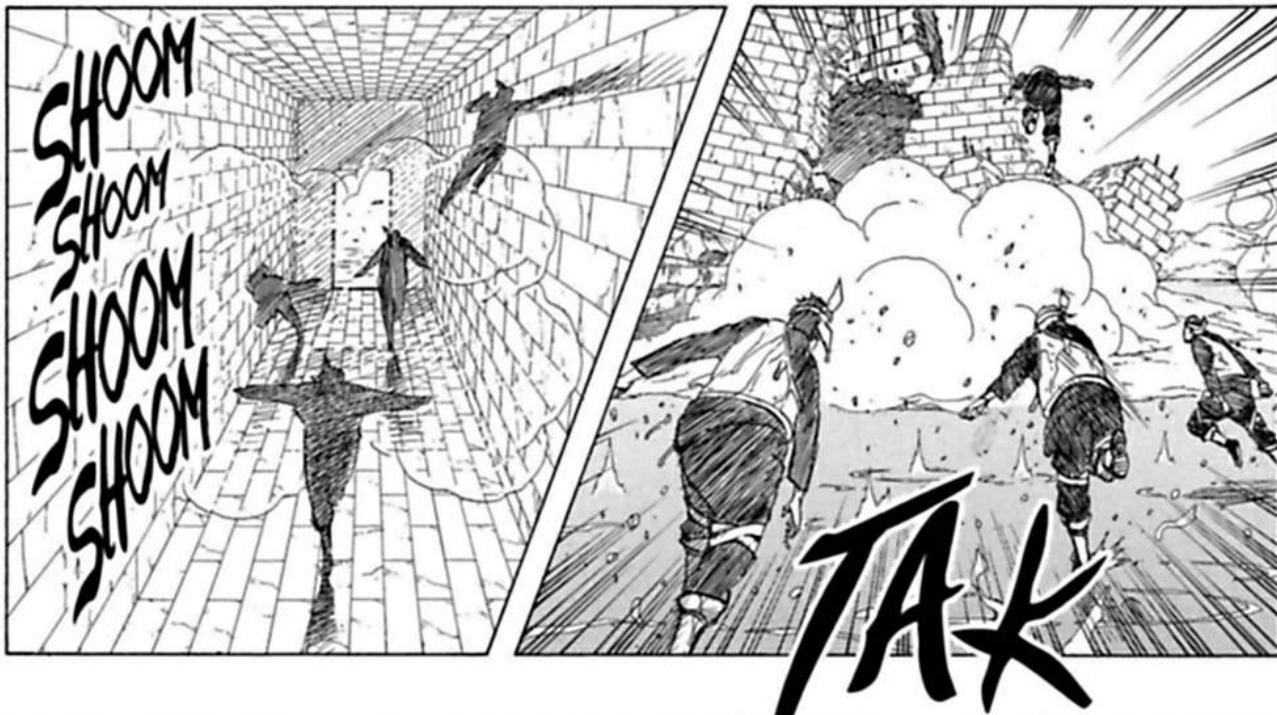


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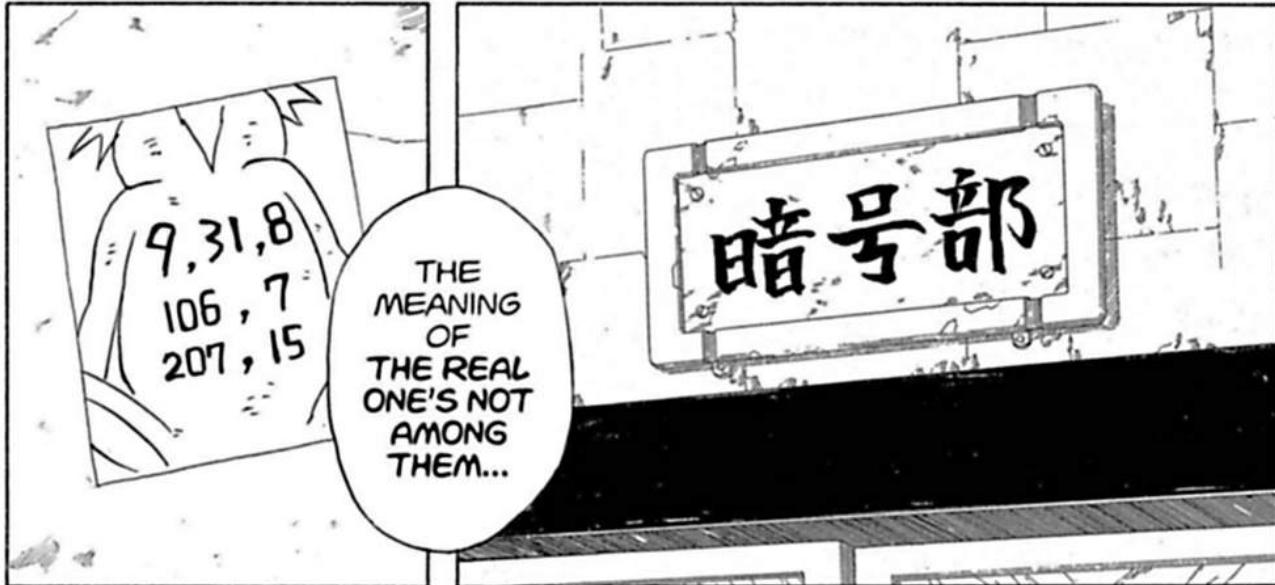


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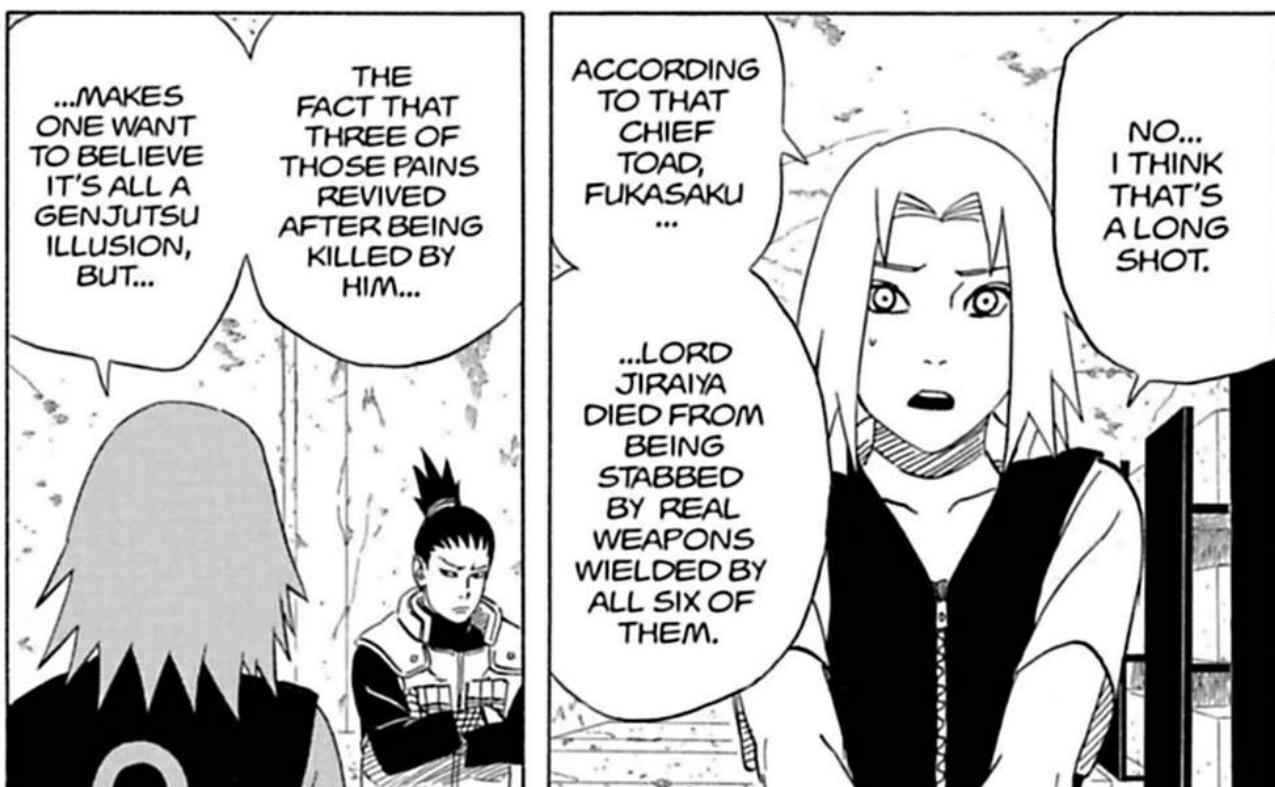
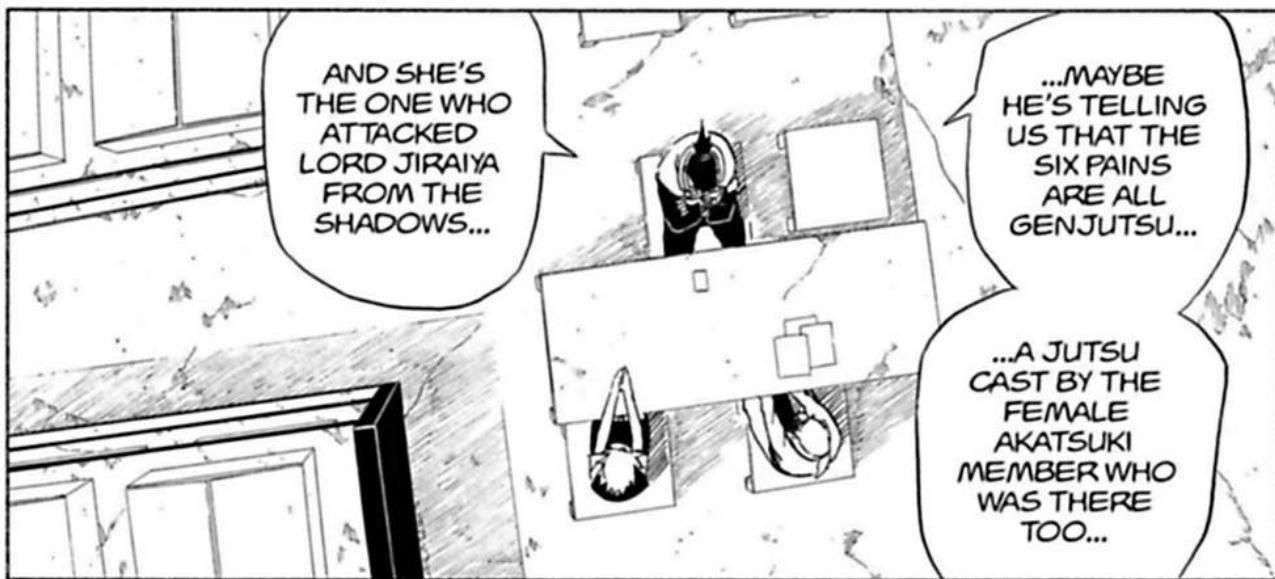


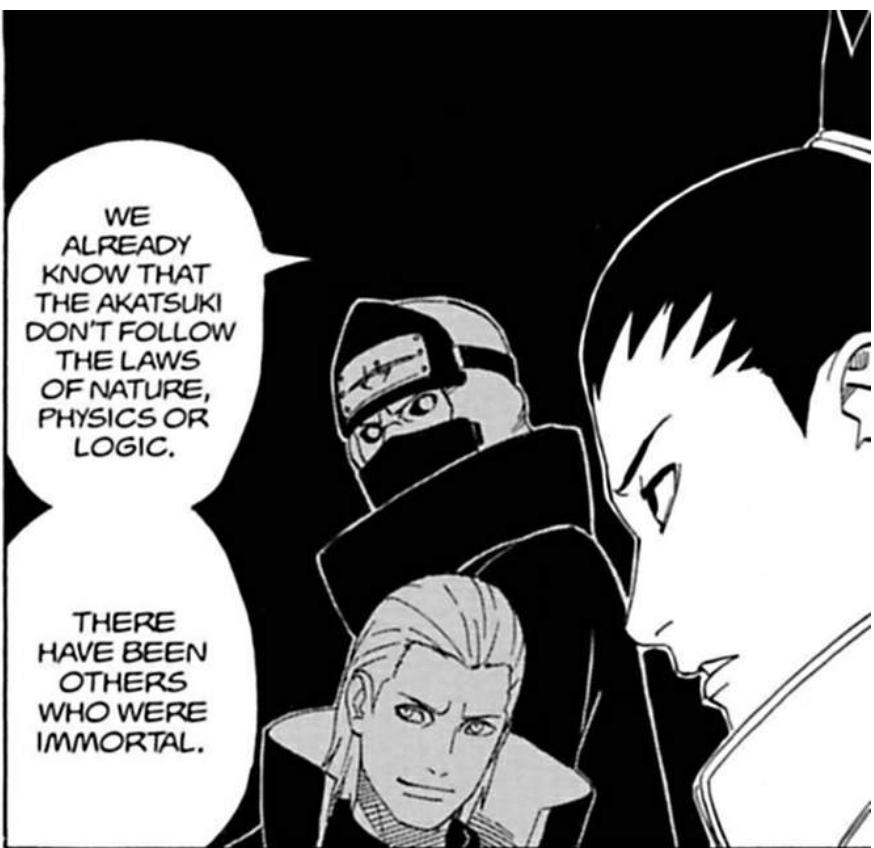


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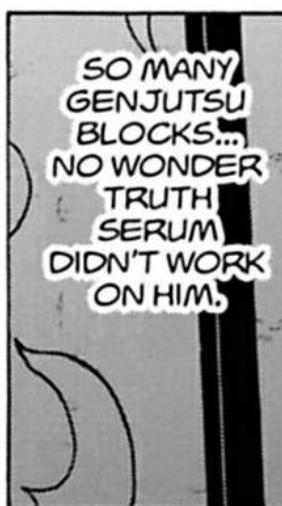


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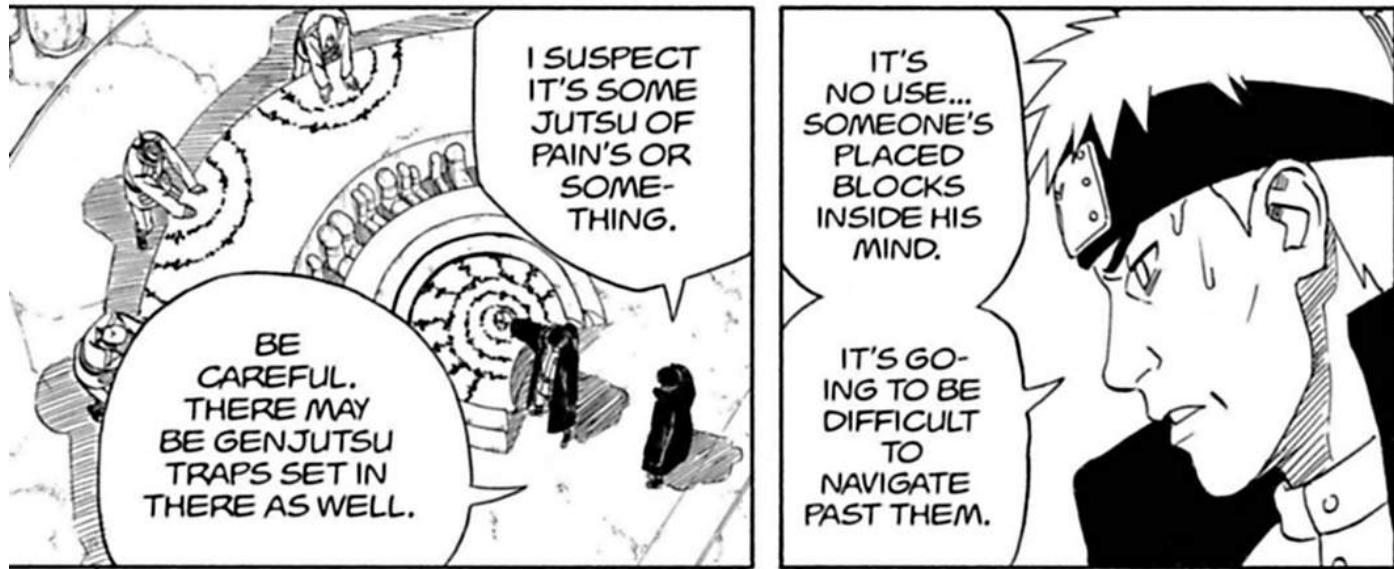




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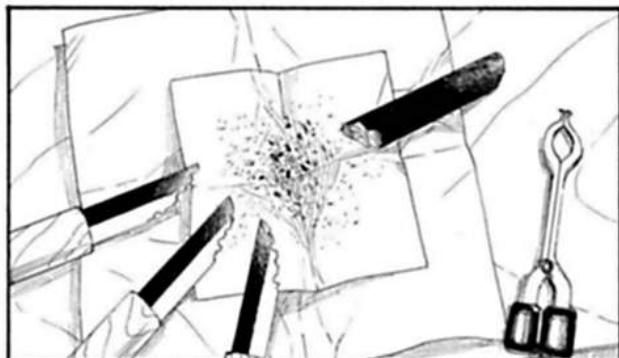


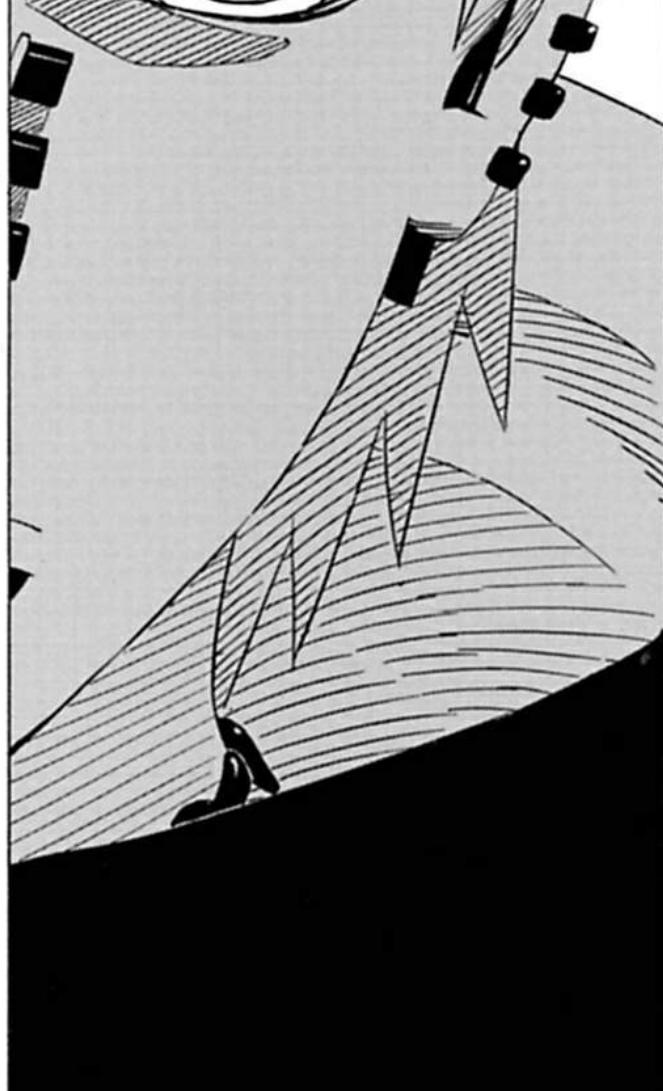
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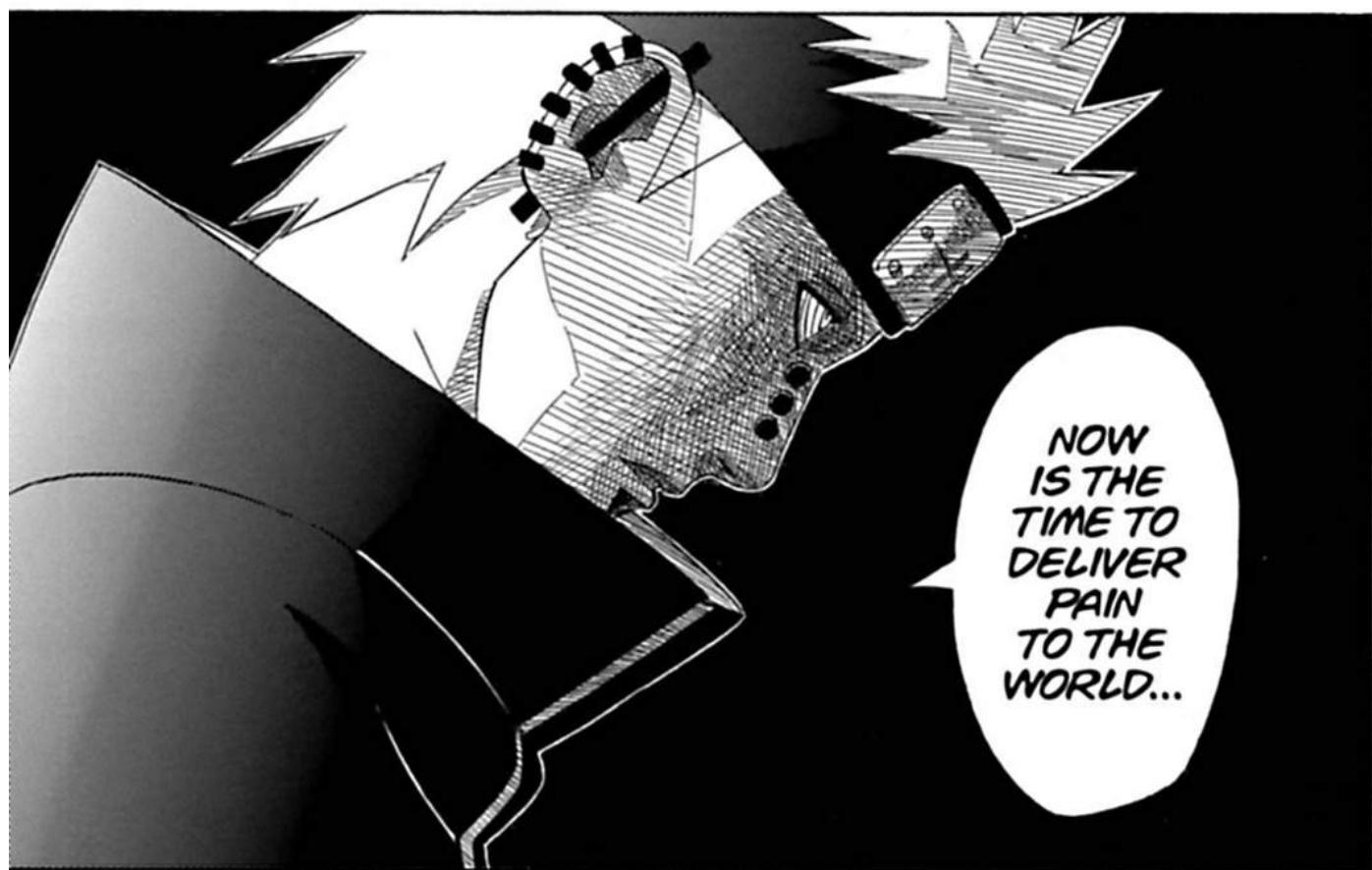
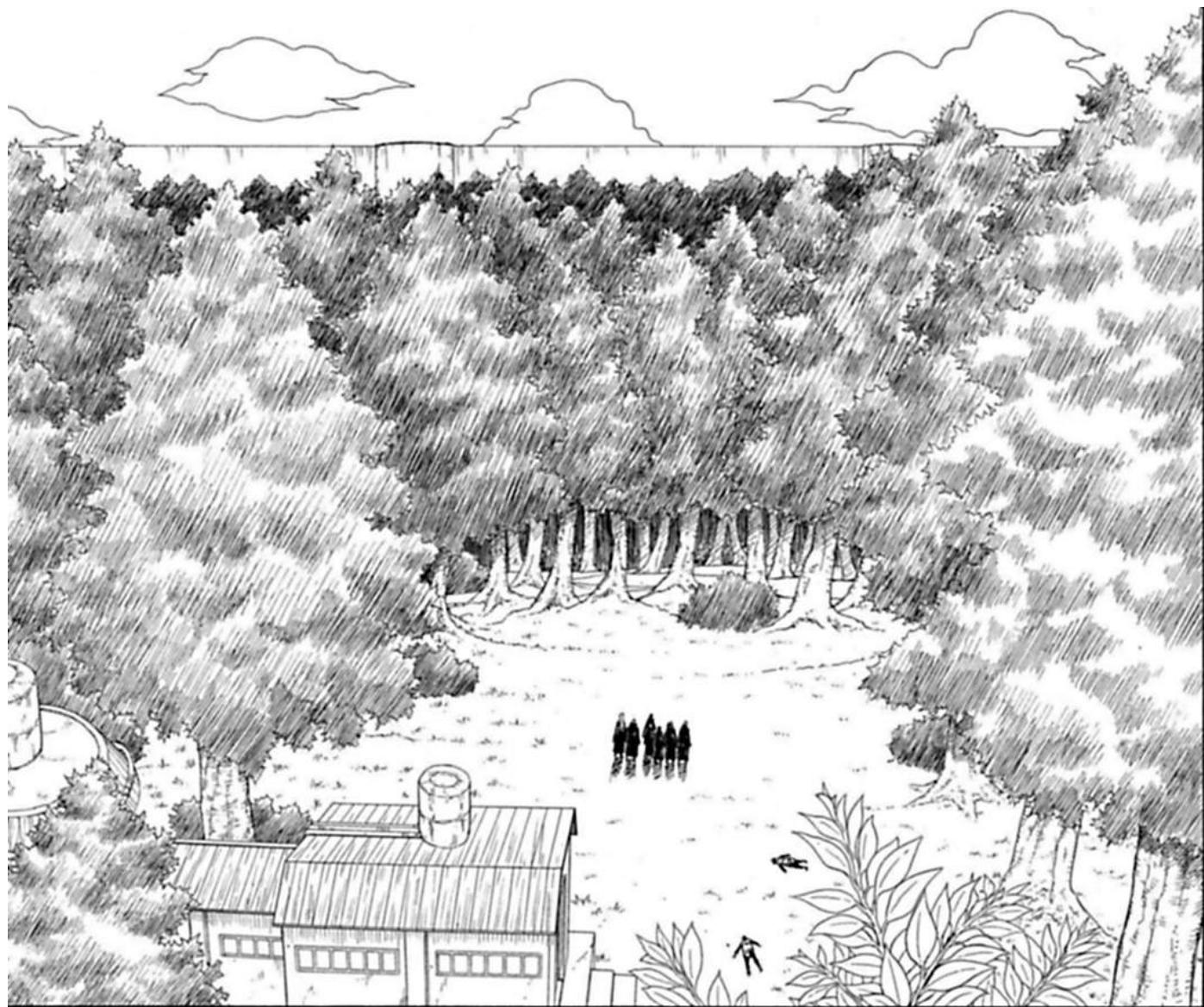


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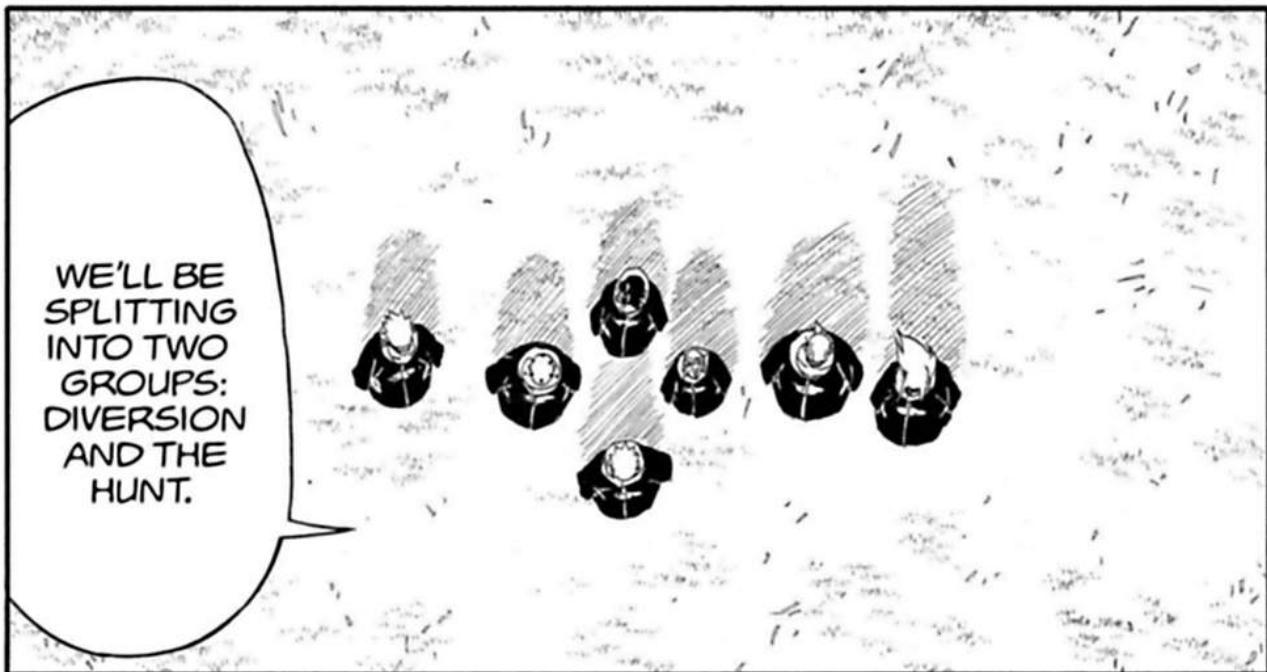


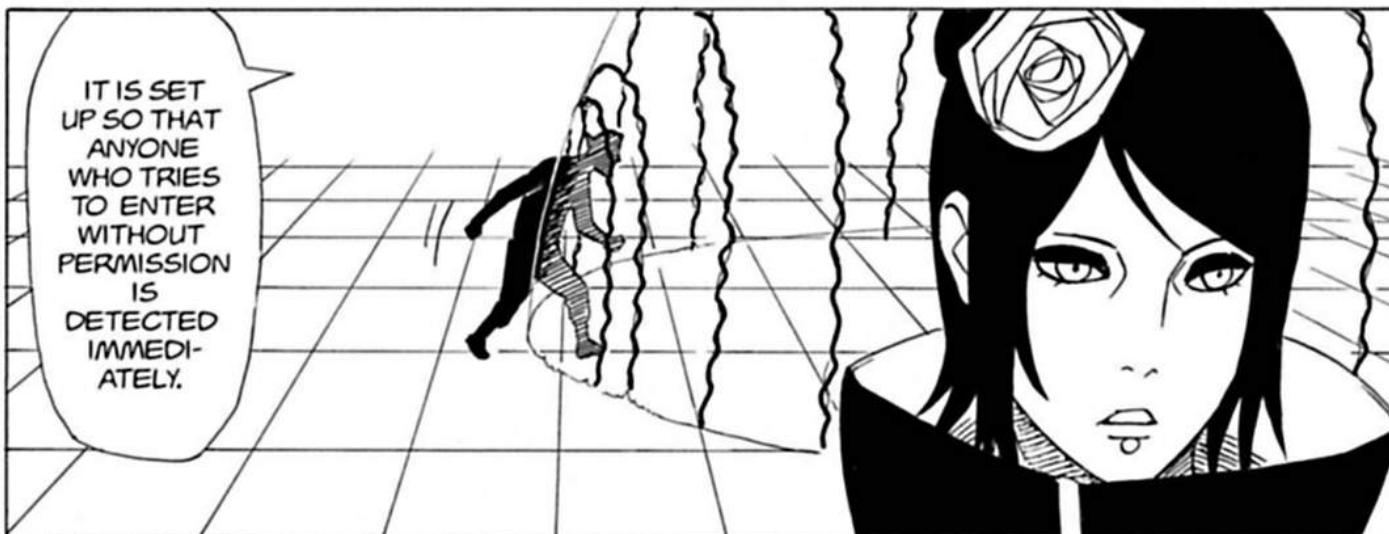
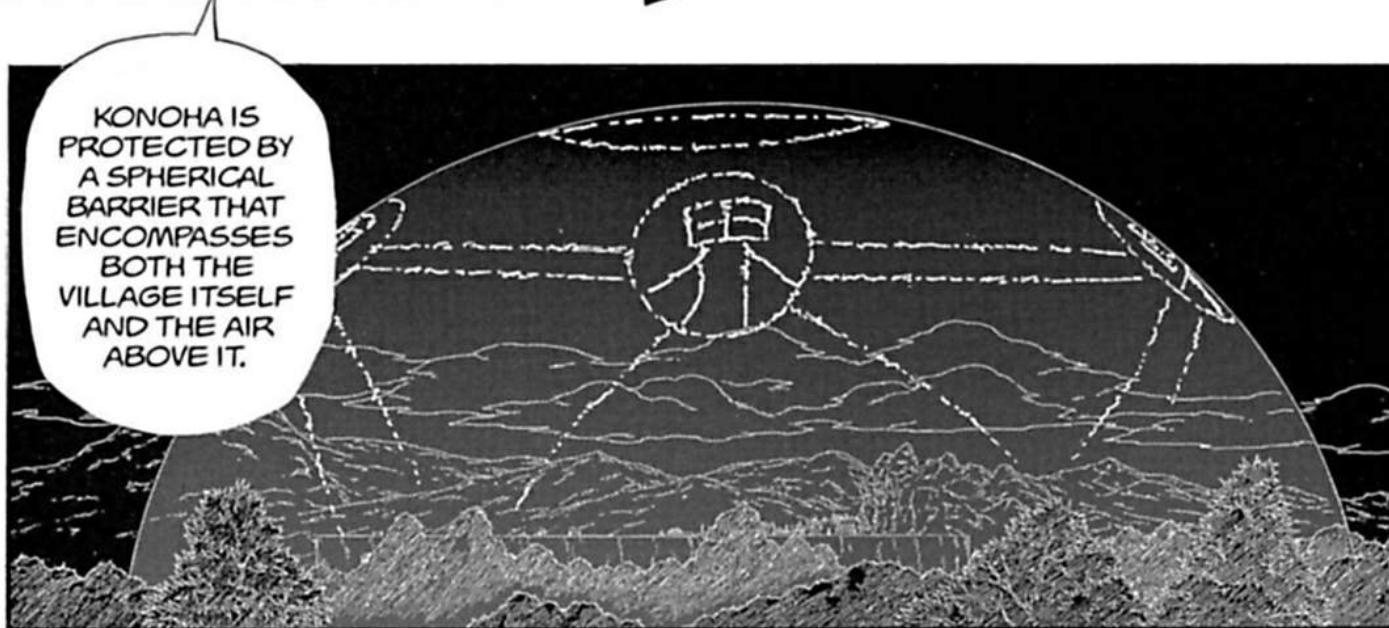
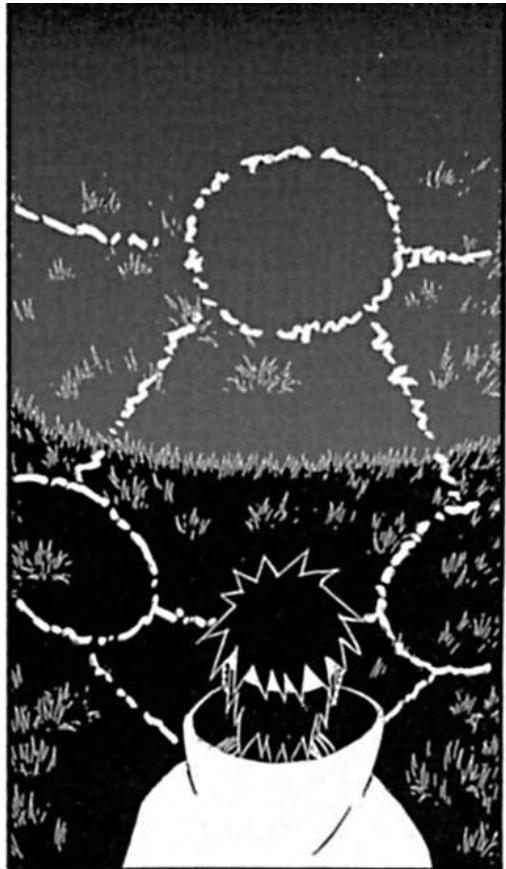


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Number 419: Raid^{zz}





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HOW DID
ITACHI AND
KISAME
ENTER AND
LEAVE SO
EASILY...?

SHUP

HE KNEW
THE JUTSU
CODE TO GET
THROUGH THE
BARRIER.

ITACHI
WAS ONCE
KONOHA
BLACK
OPS.

AS EXPLAINED,
WE WILL LAUNCH
CHIKUSHODO
INTO THE SKIES
ABOVE THE
VILLAGE—AFTER
INFILTRATING
THE BARRIER
SHE WILL
SUMMON US.

WAIT
FOR
CHIKU-
SHODO'S
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ING.

WE WILL
CONFUSE
THE ENEMY
BY NOT
GIVING THEM
AN ACCURATE
COUNT.

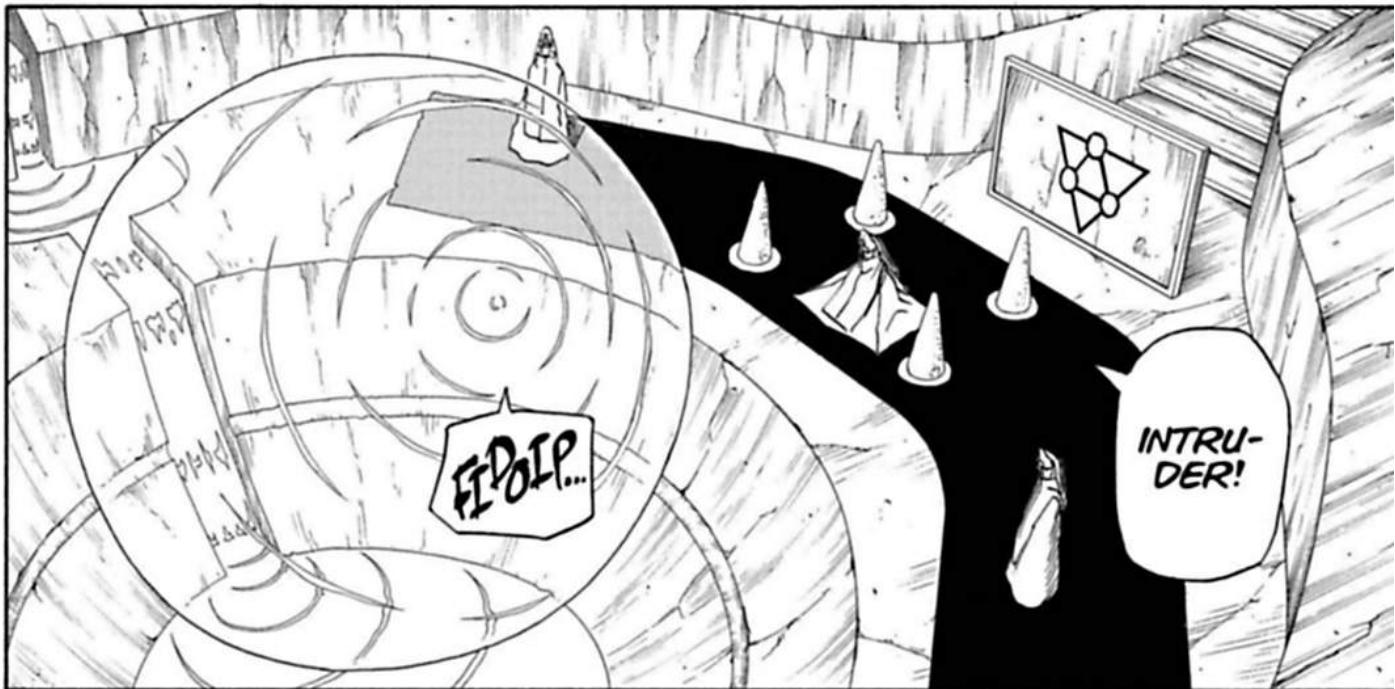
I HAVE
MY OWN
WAY OF
DOING
THINGS.

FW TAP

FW P

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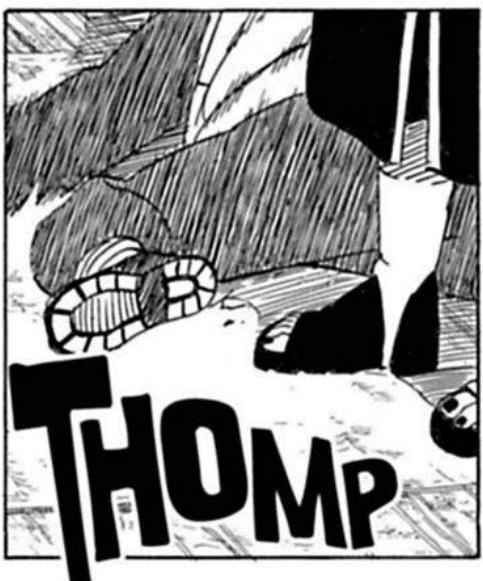










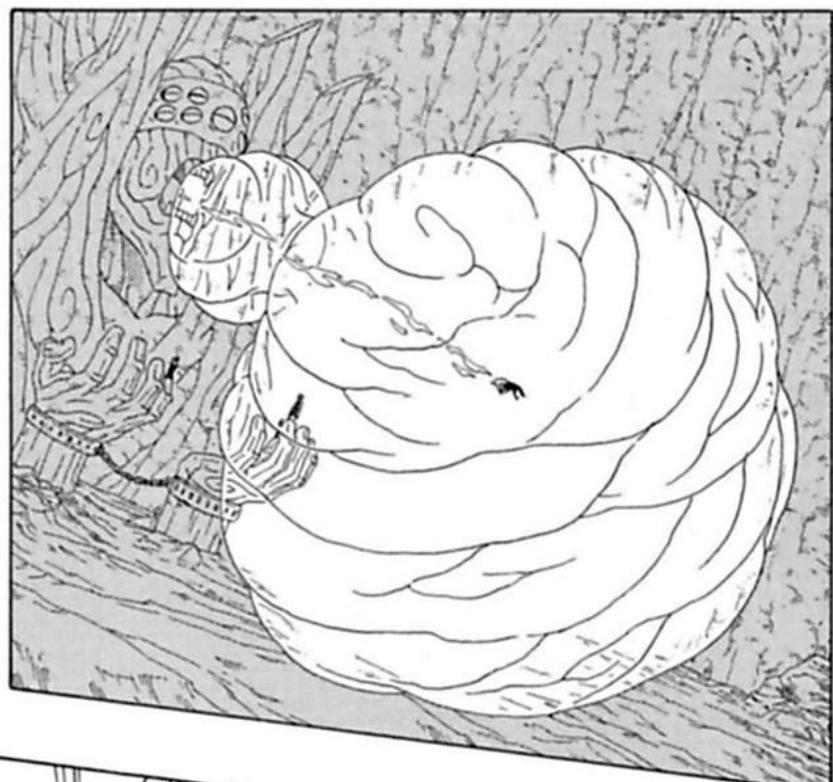


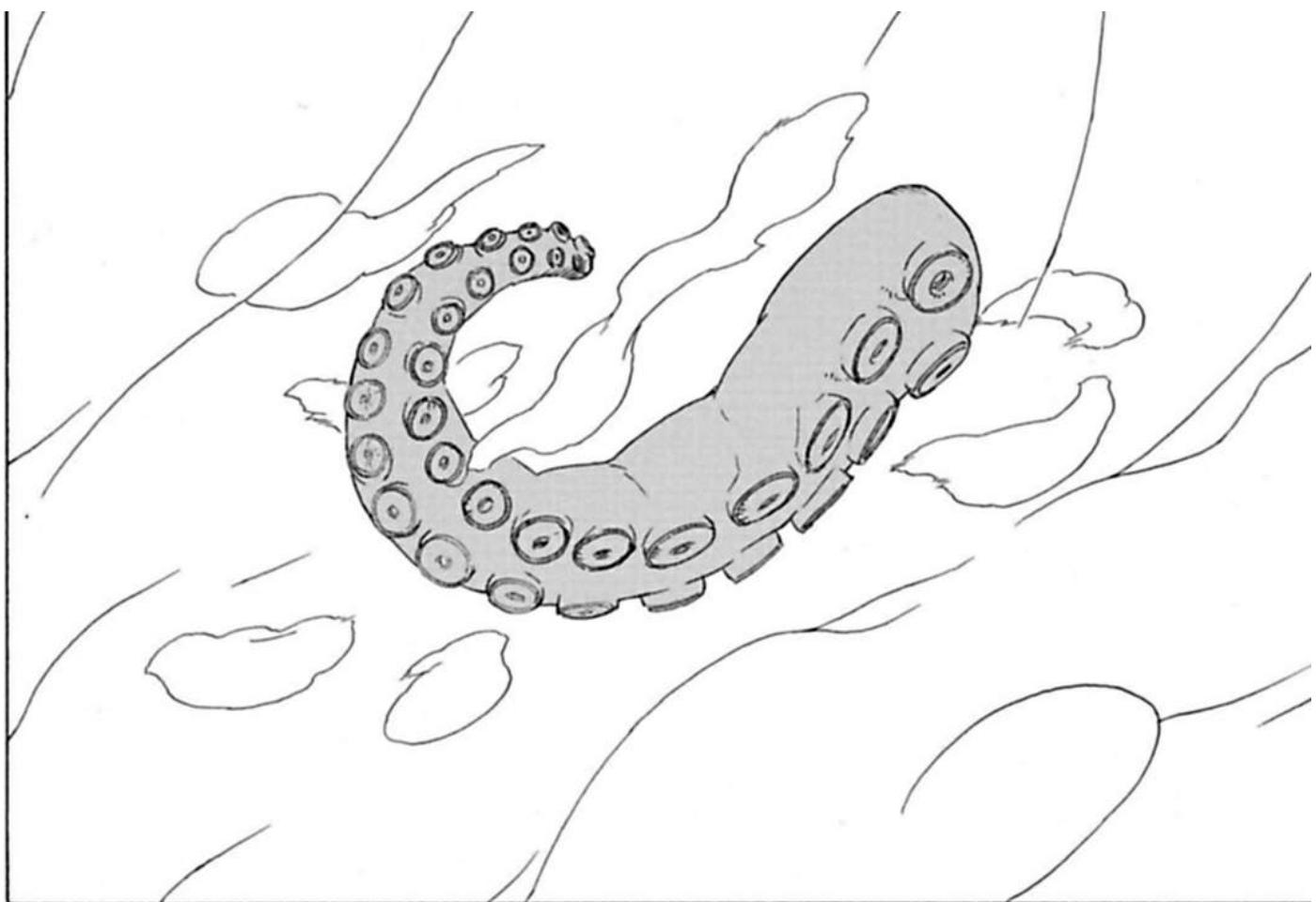
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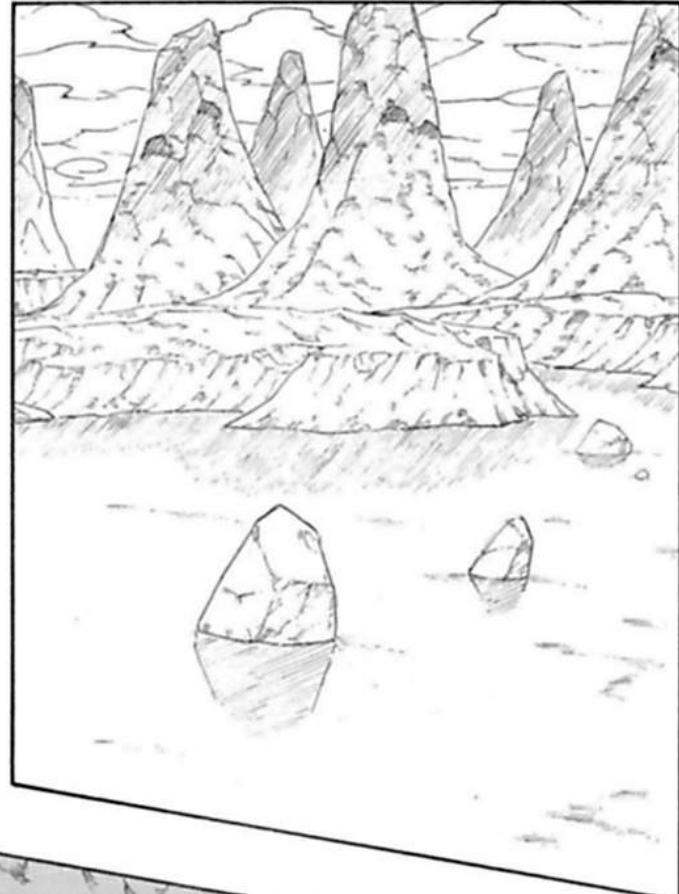
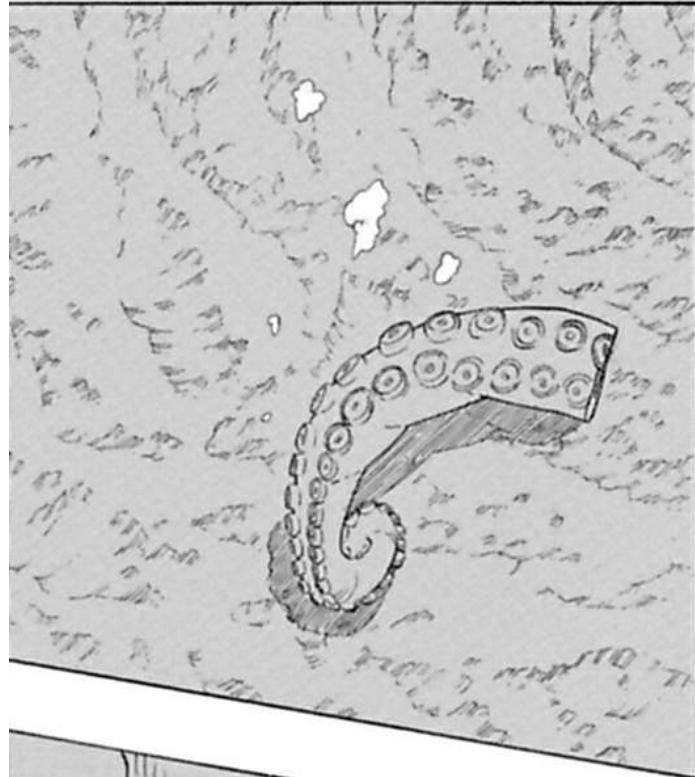


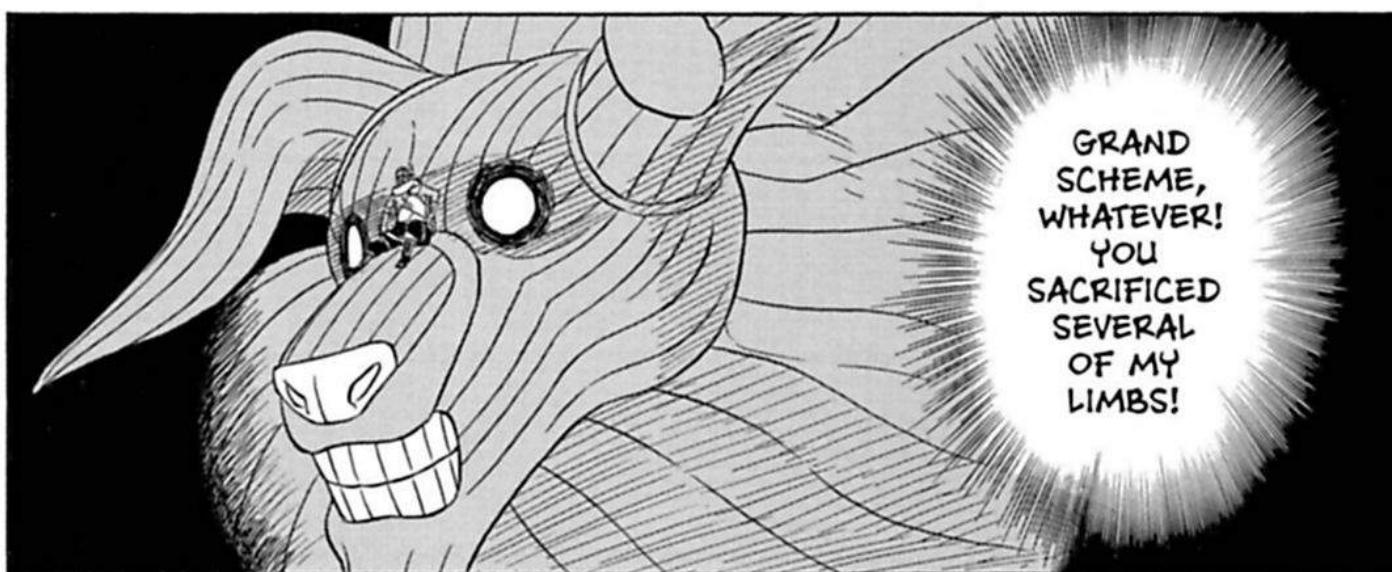
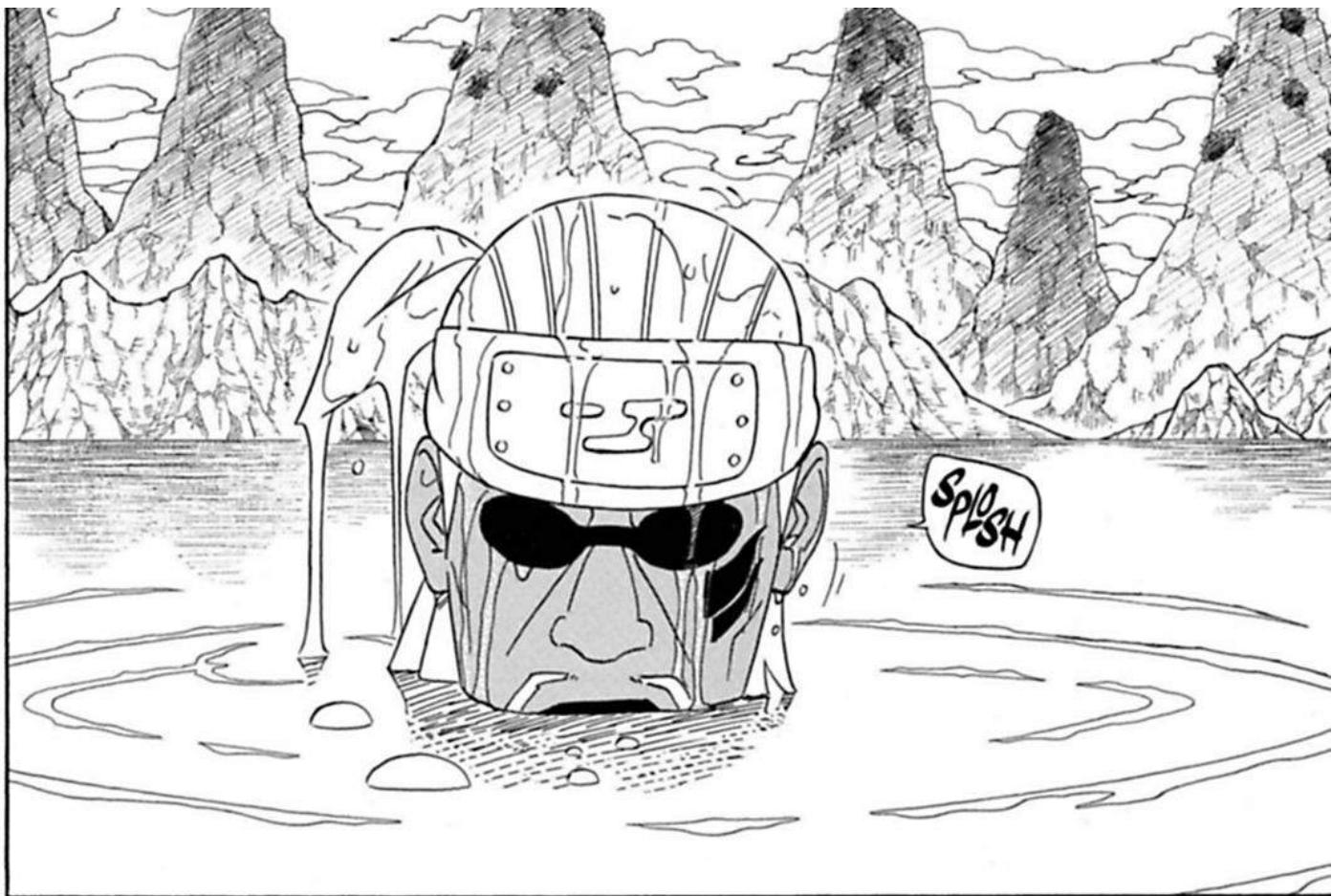
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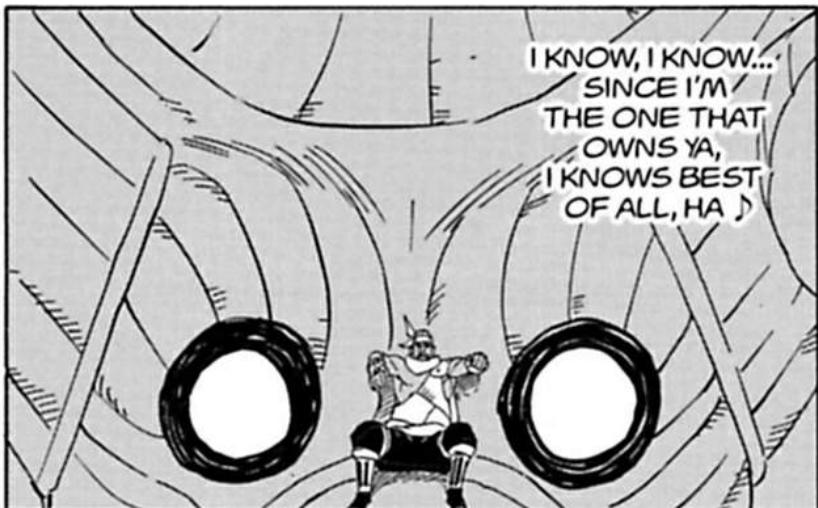
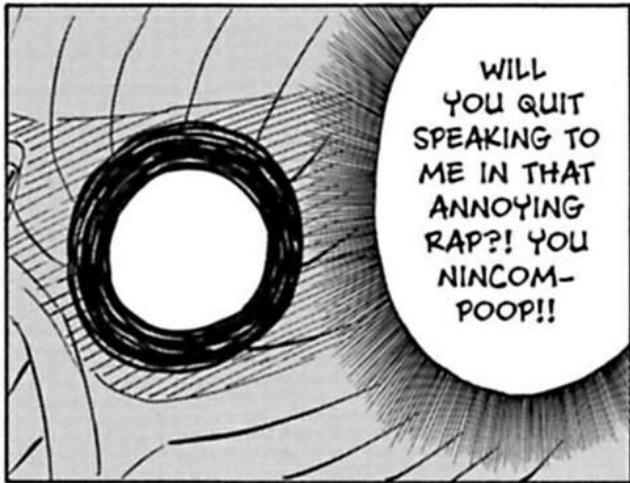


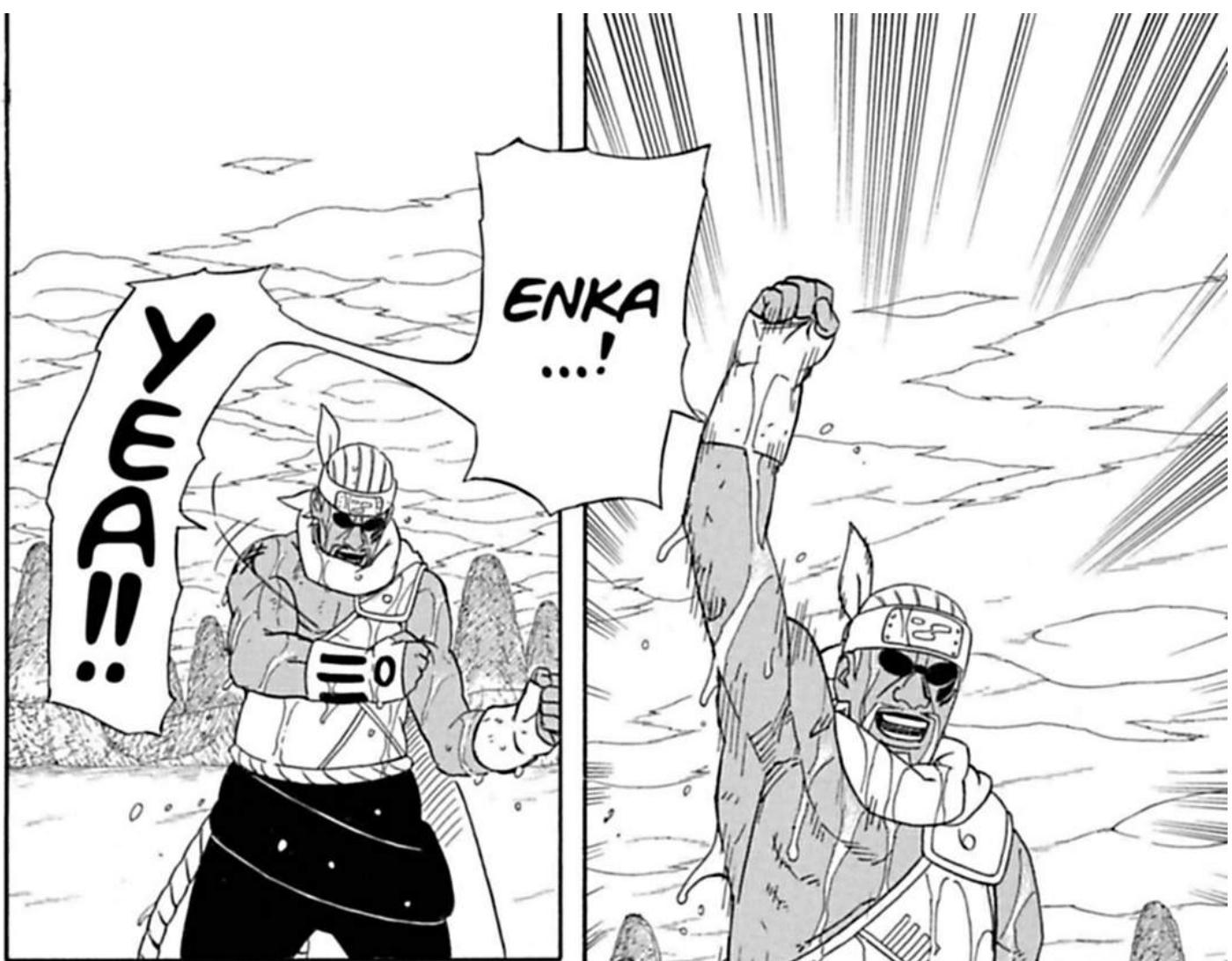
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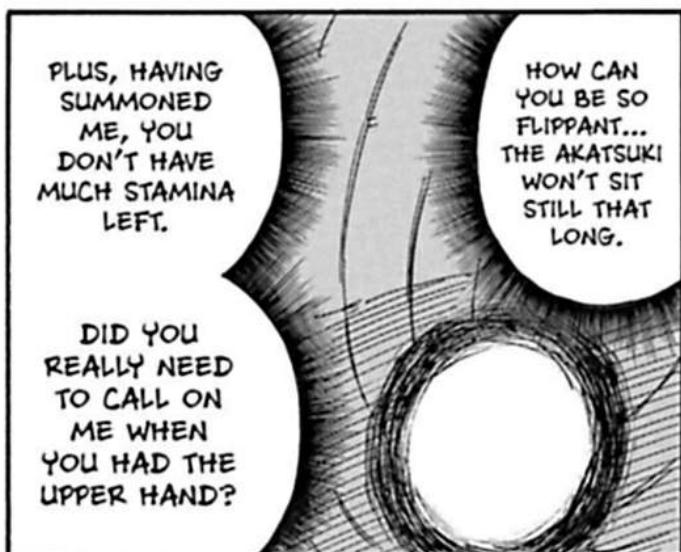




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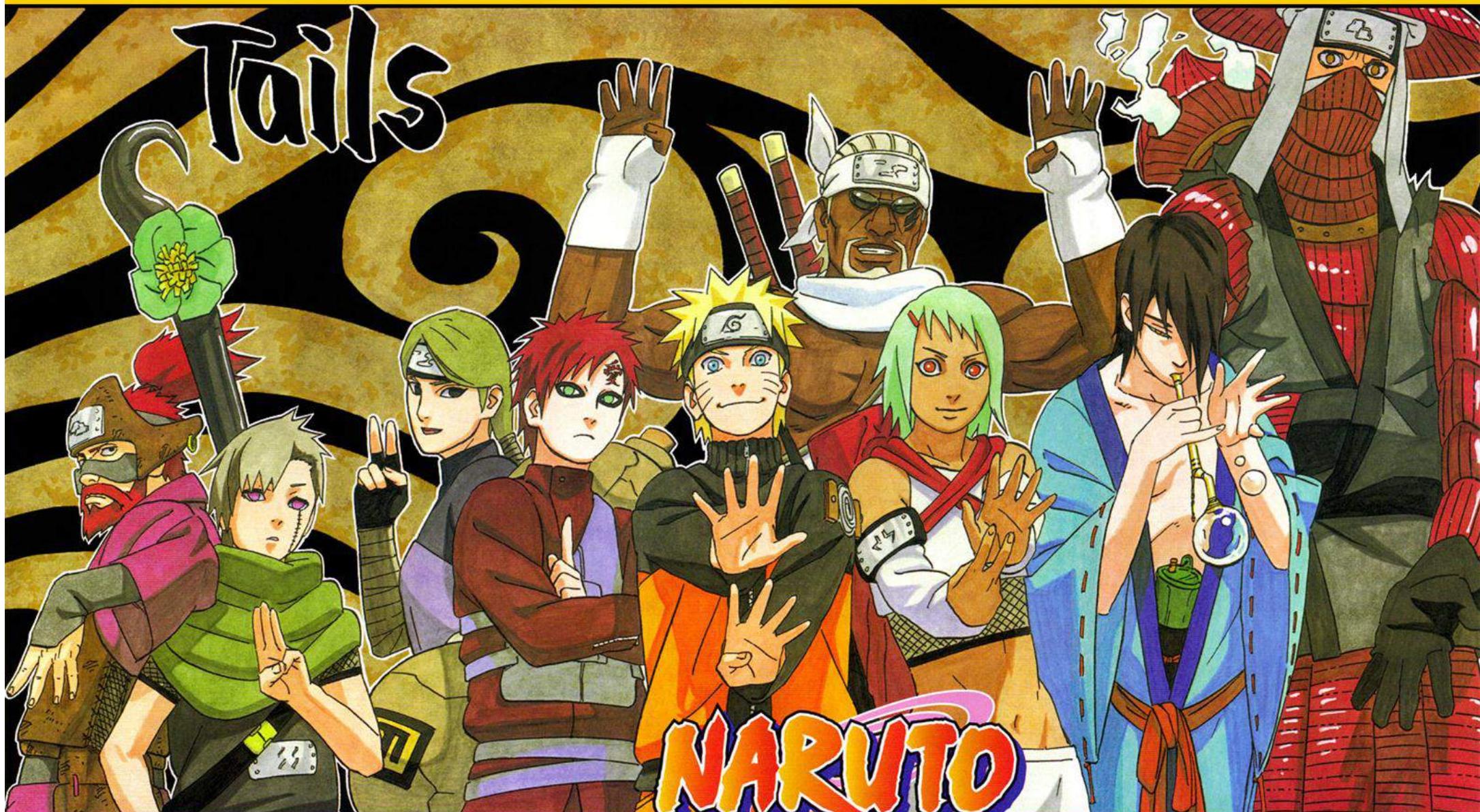


Number 420: Battlefield, Konoha!!



NOW IN OUR 9TH YEAR! THE INCREDIBLY POWERFUL JINCHOURIKI ALL IN ONE PLACE!

Tails



NARUTO
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BY JAPFLAP

420 : BATTLEFIELD KONOHA!!

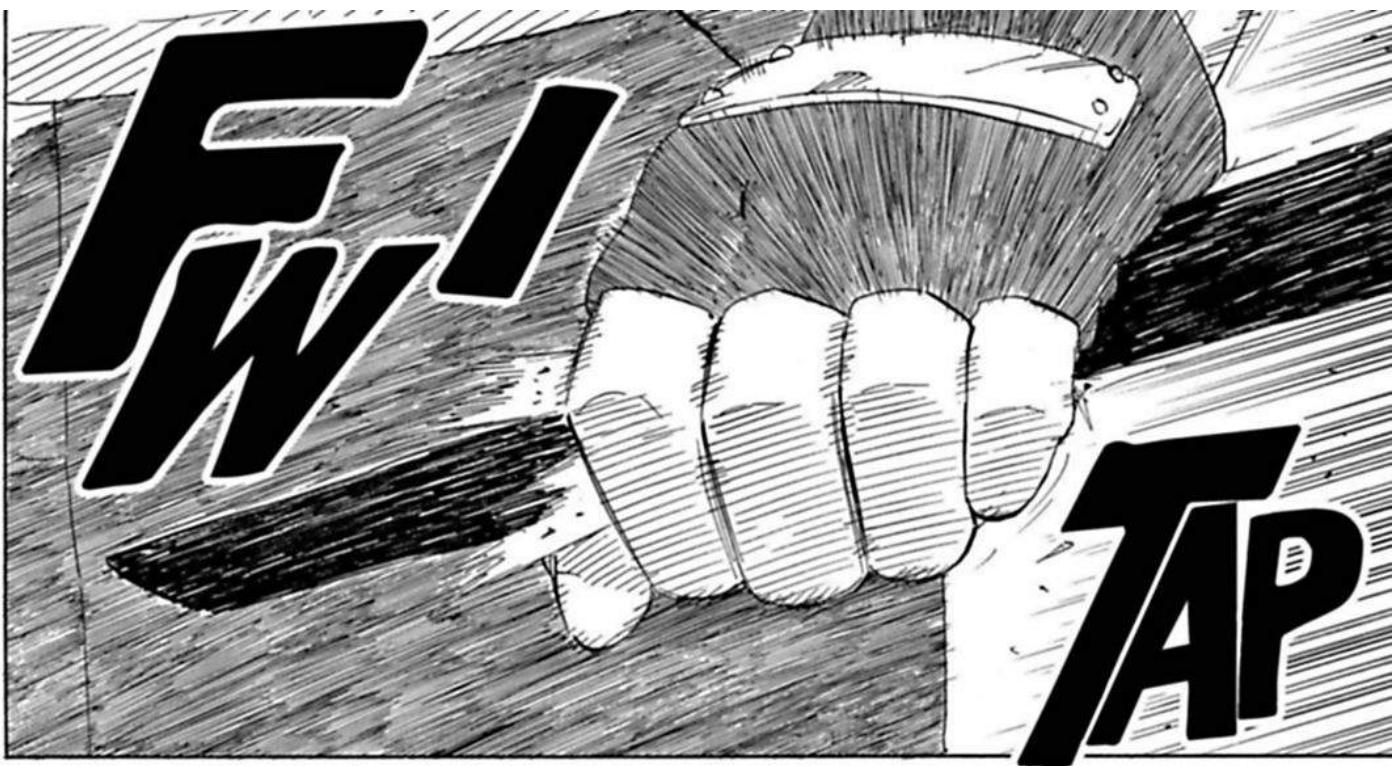


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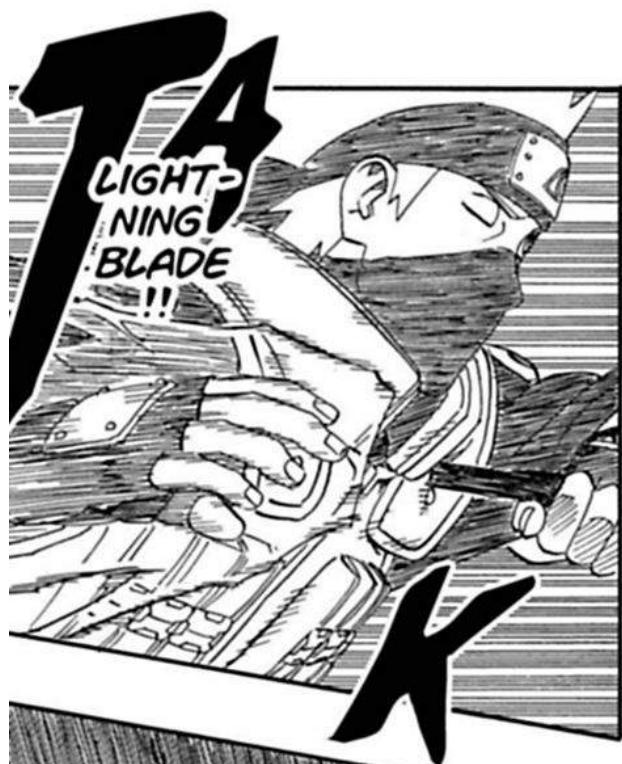




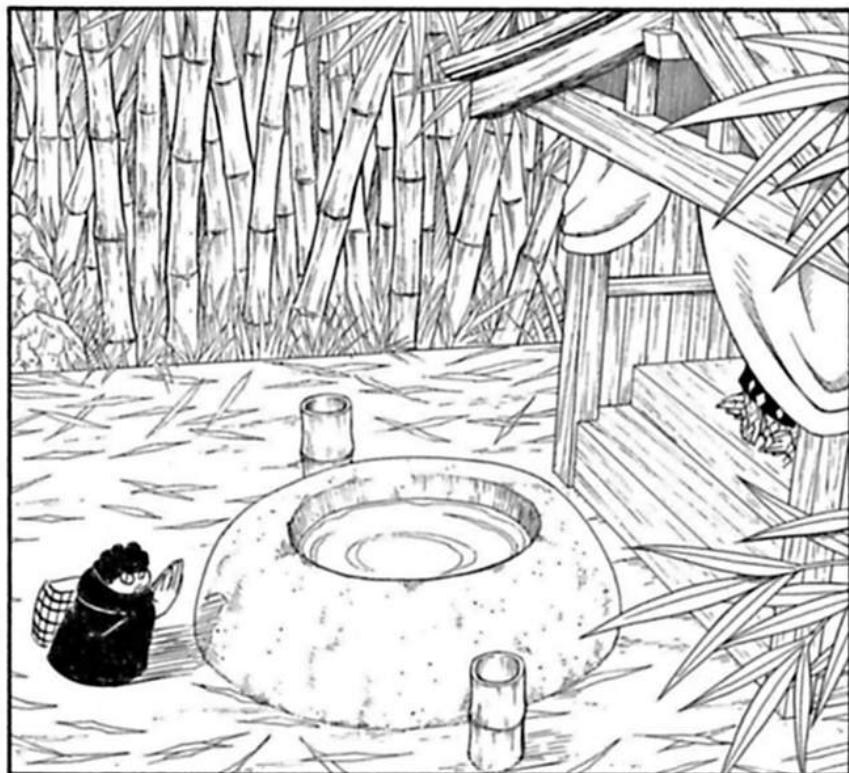
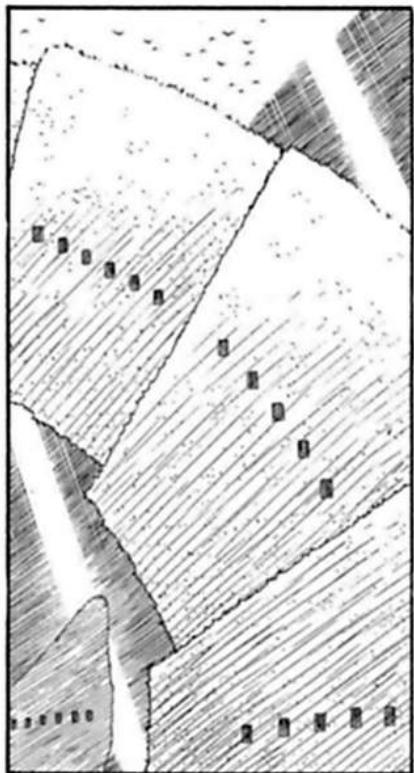
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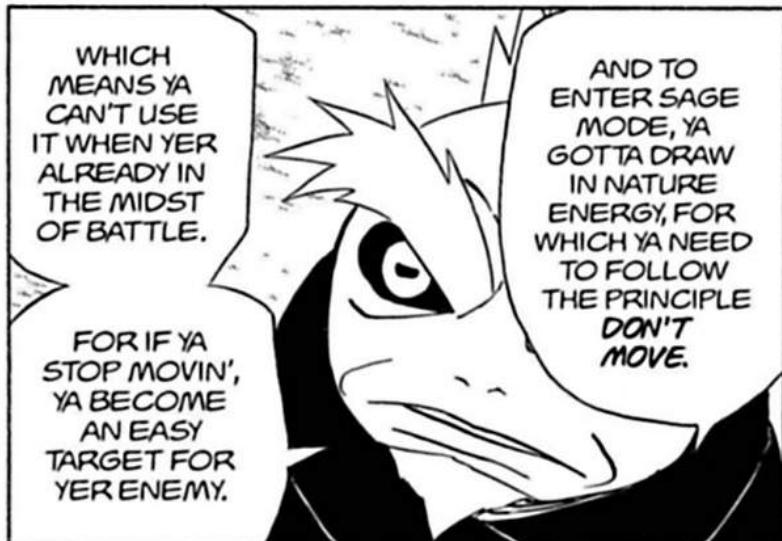
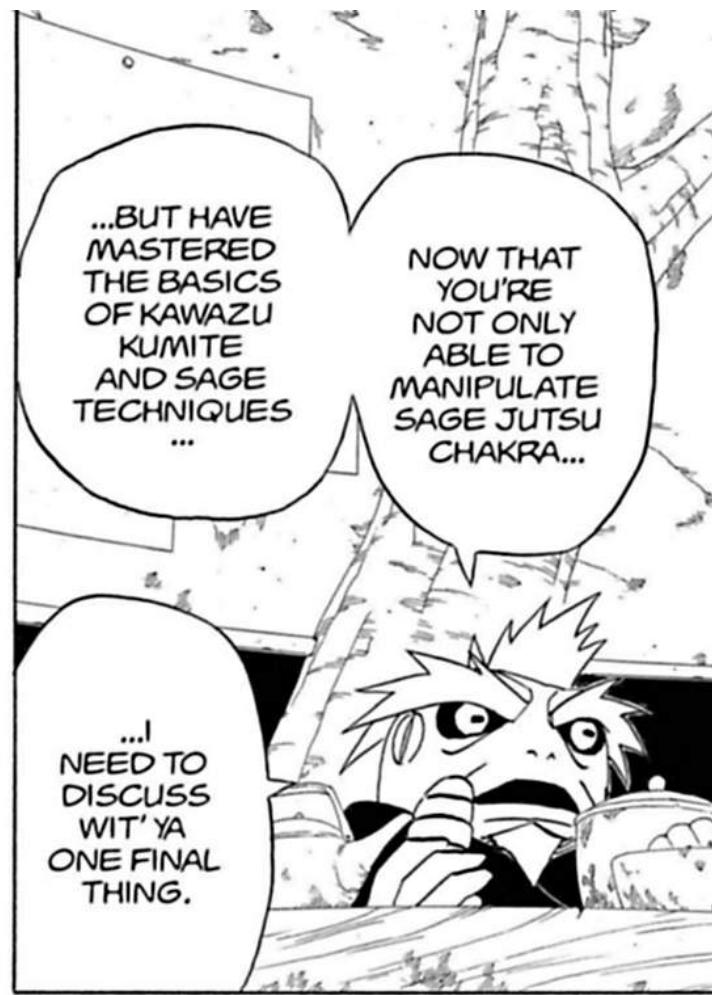




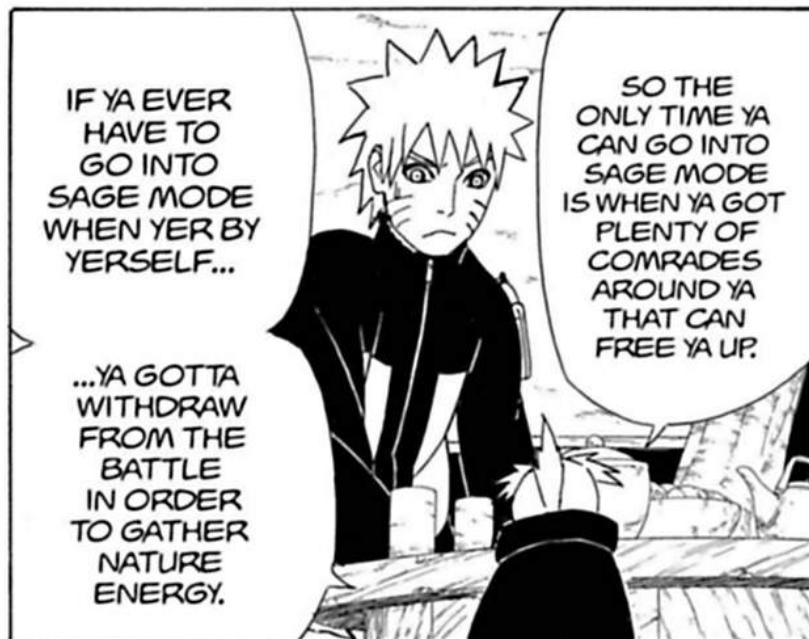








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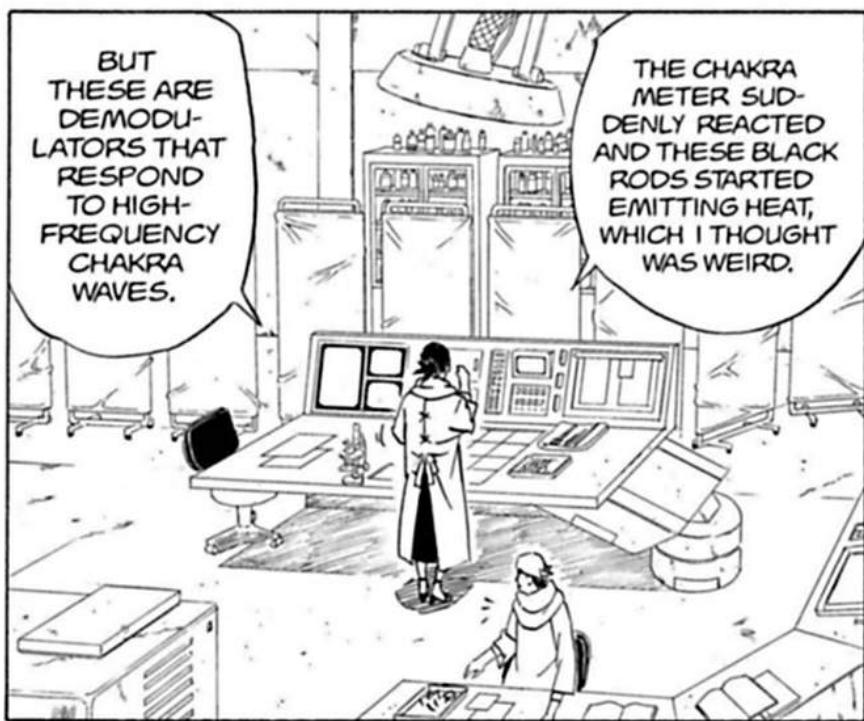


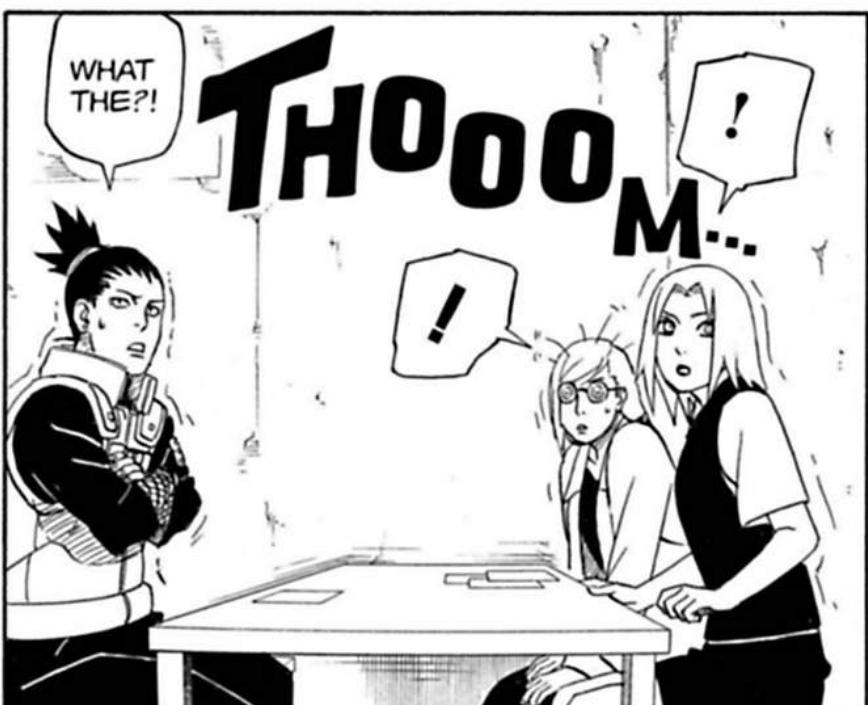




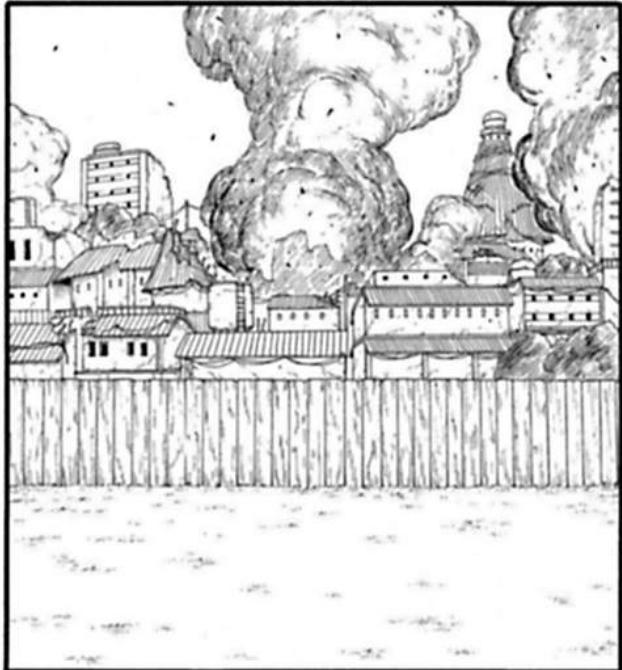
BUT
THESE ARE
DEMODO-
LATORS THAT
RESPOND
TO HIGH-
FREQUENCY
CHAKRA
WAVES.

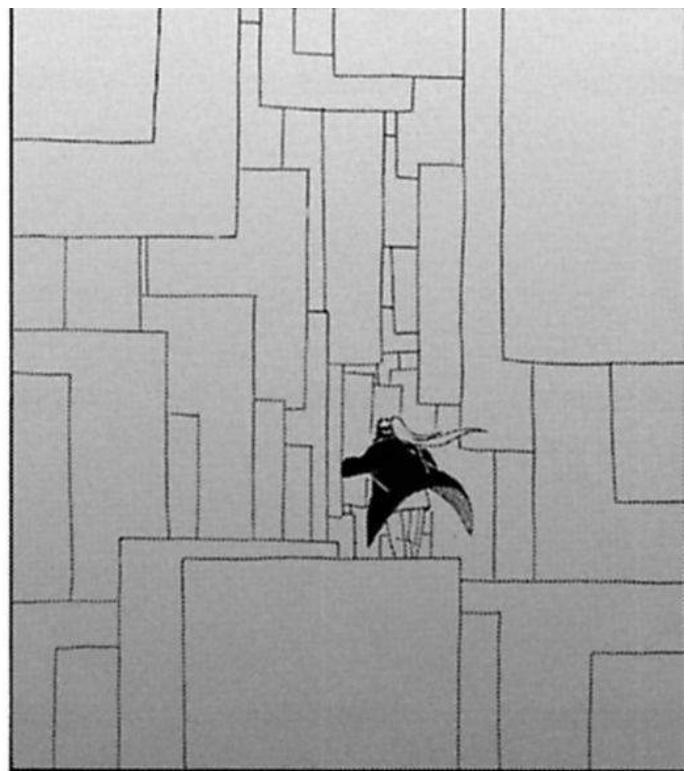
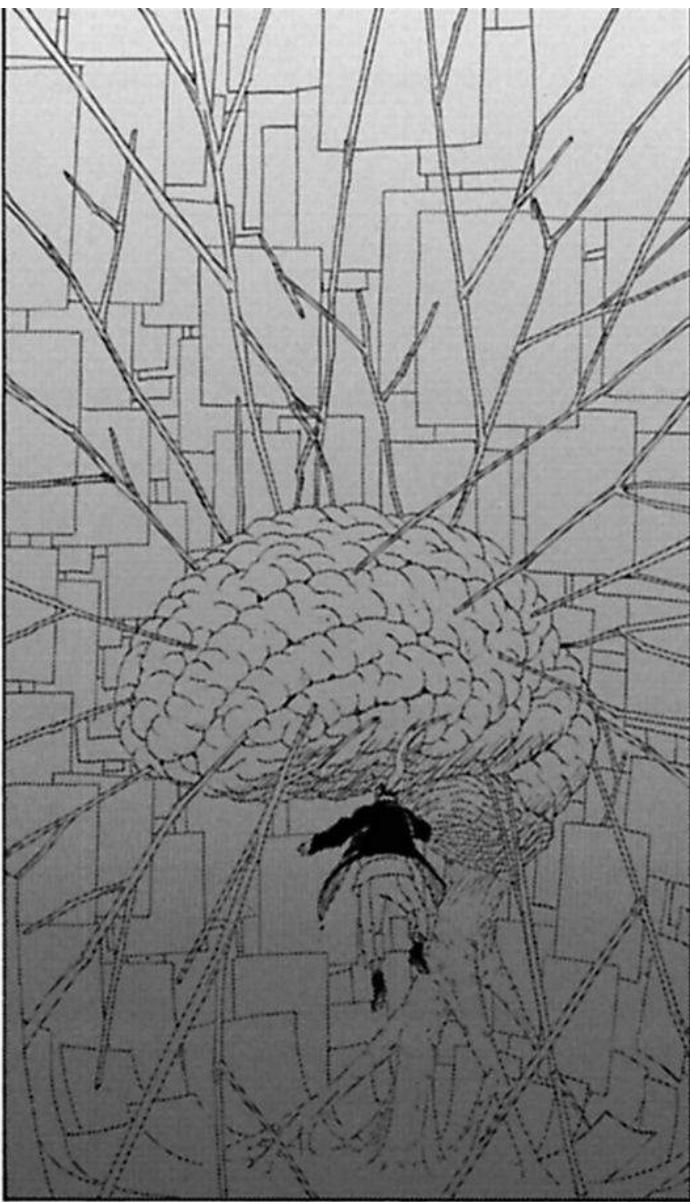
THE CHAKRA
METER SUDDENLY REACTED
AND THESE BLACK
RODS STARTED
EMITTING HEAT,
WHICH I THOUGHT
WAS WEIRD.





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WAY

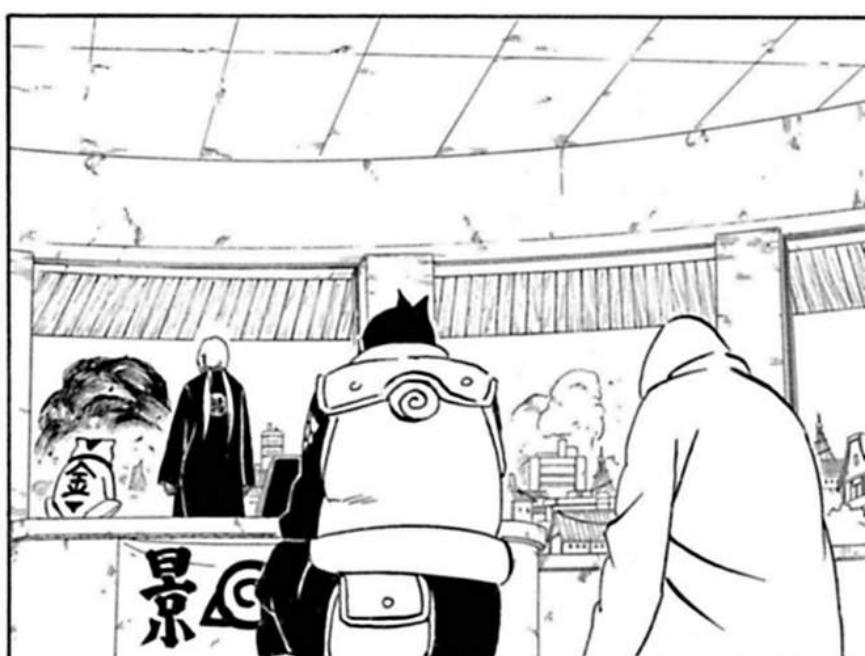
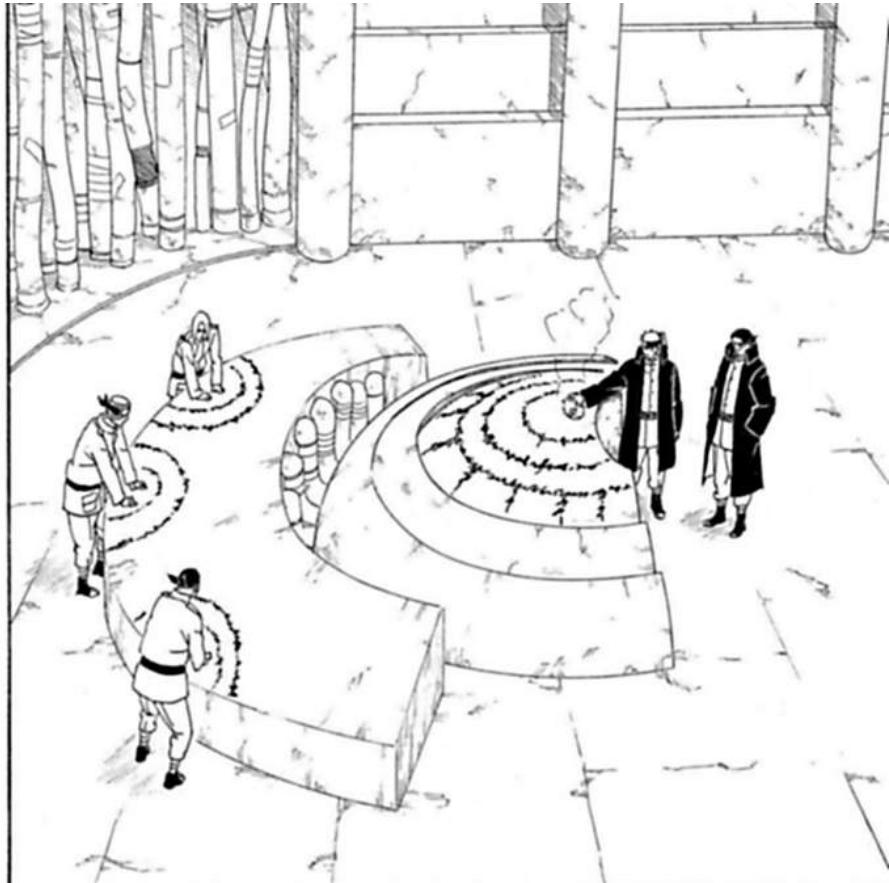






BAROOMBLE





READ
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WAY



NARUTO



OH
YEAH!

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W

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K

Number 421:

Recall Náru^{to}!!

THANK
YOU
SO
VERY
MUCH!

U-
UH-
HUH...

ARE
YOU
OKAY
?!

PHOON
TMP

THAT
GIRL
GOT
IT.

IT'S
DOWN
...

TMP

TMP

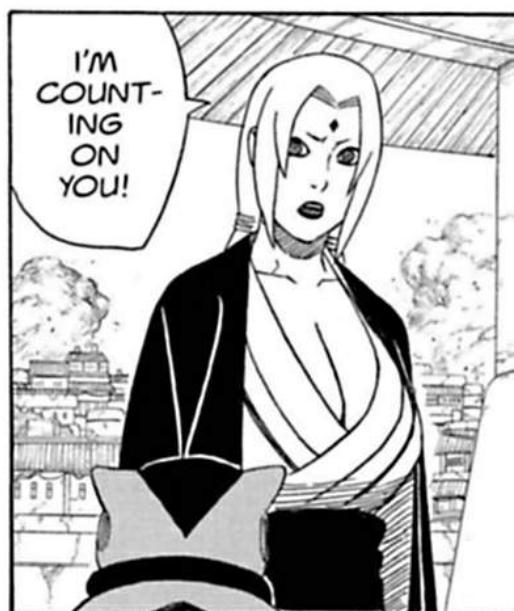
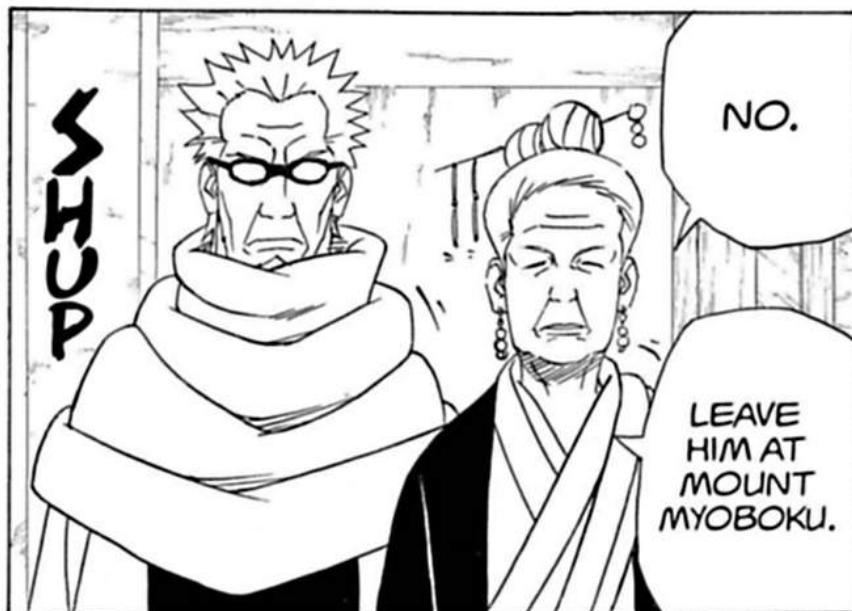
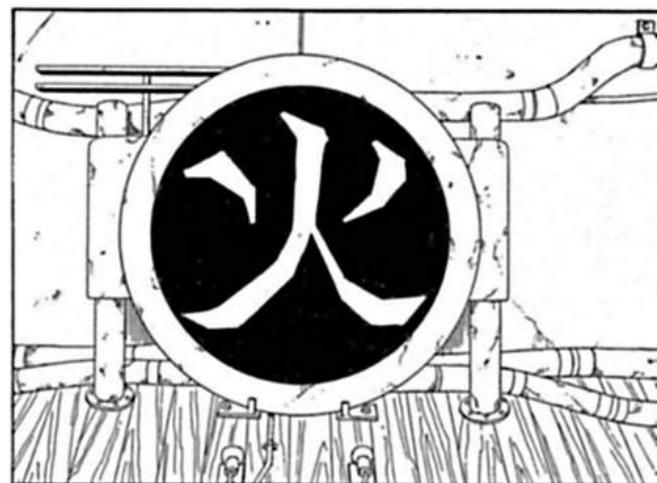
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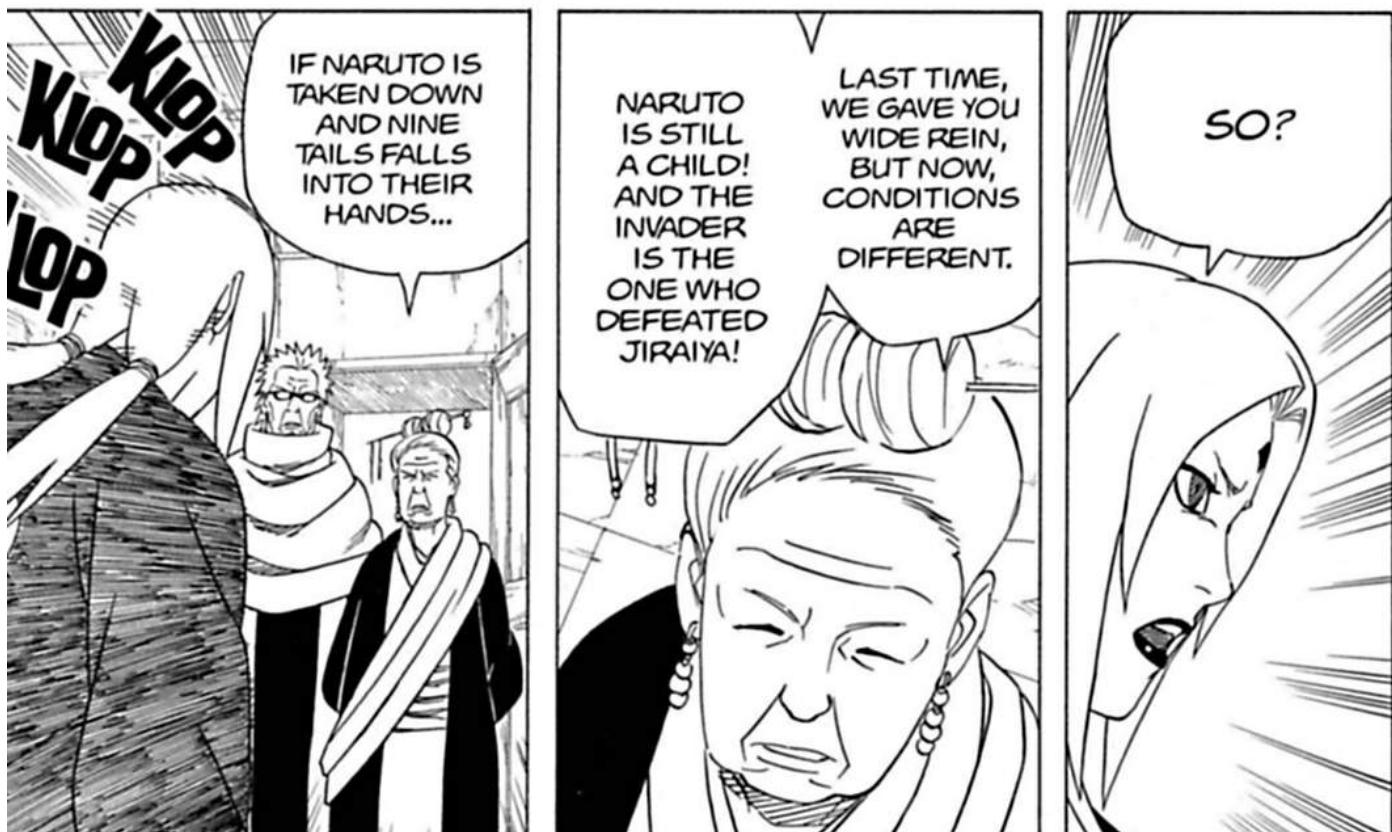
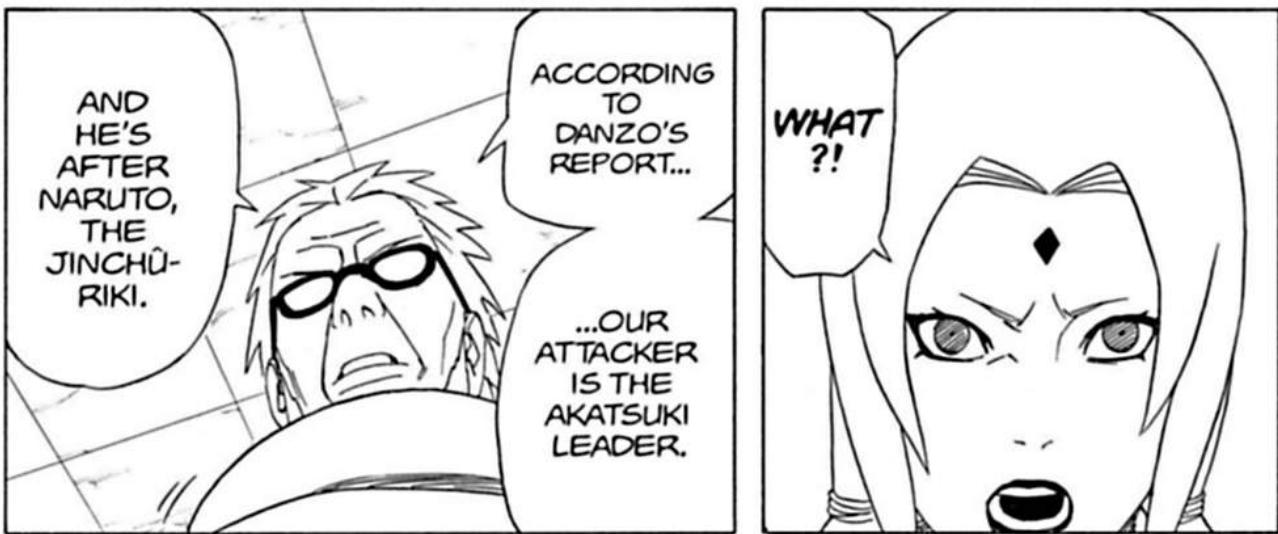
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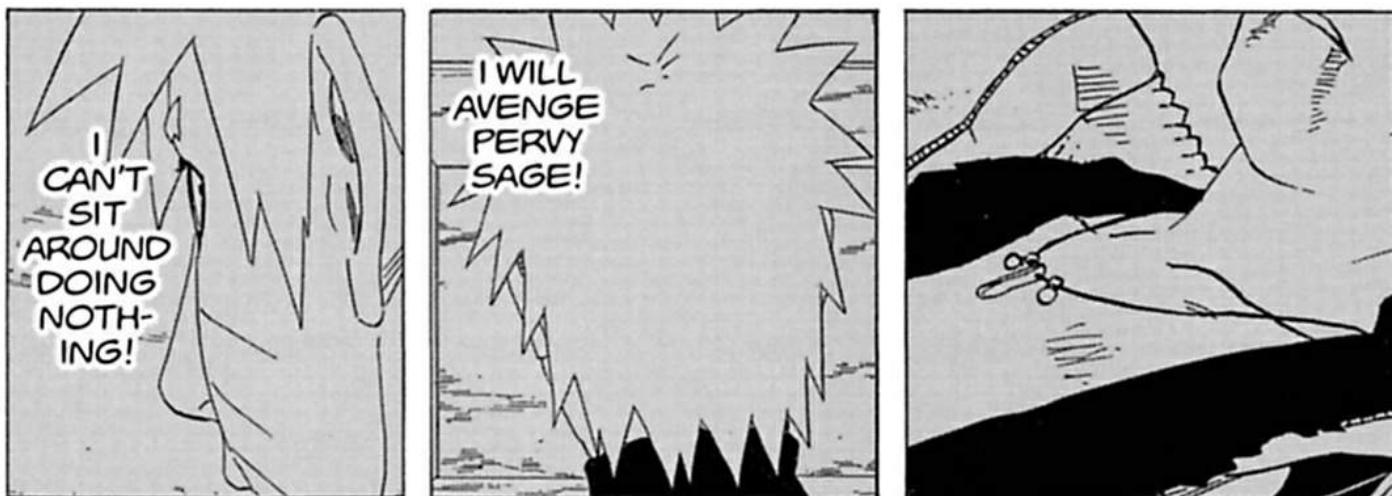
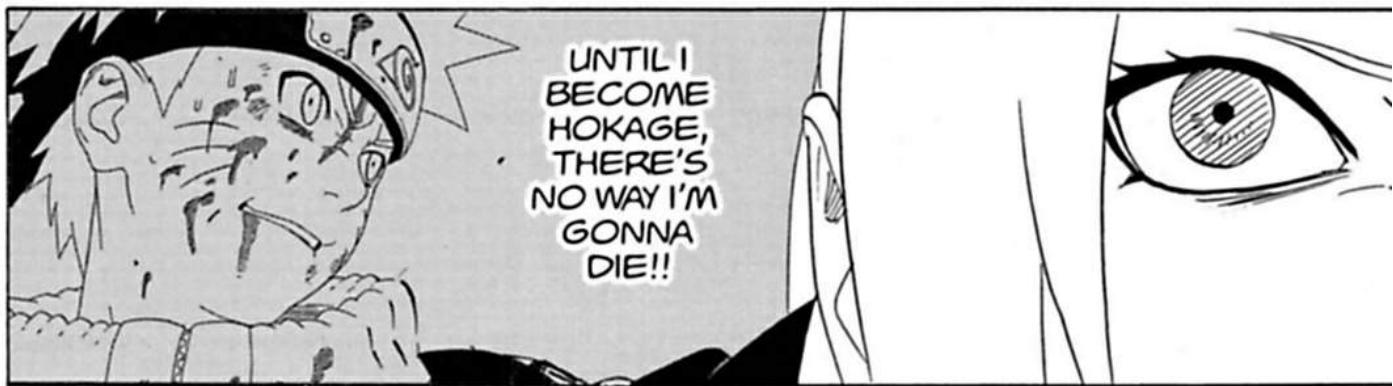
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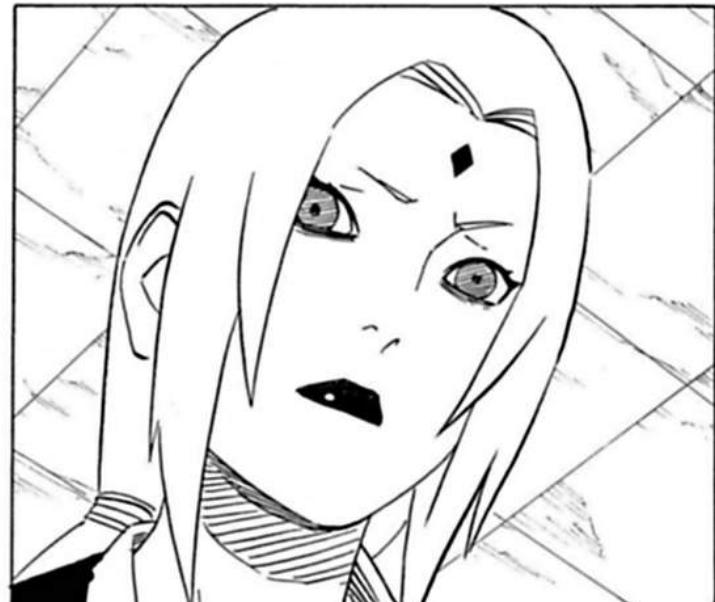
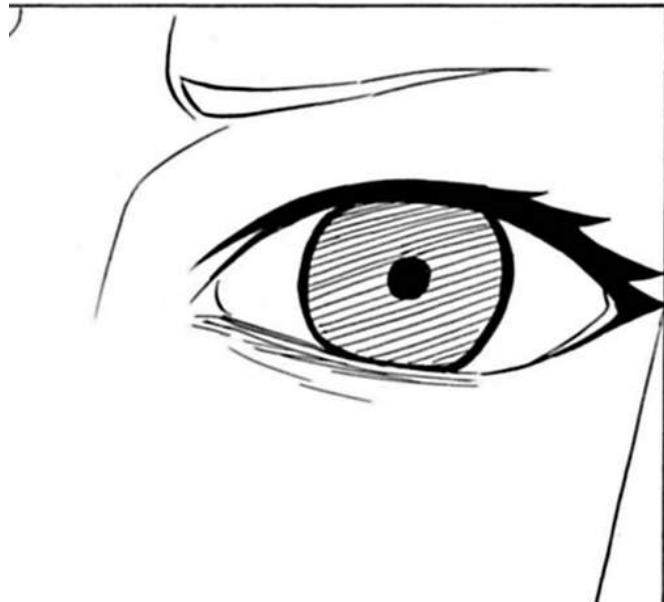


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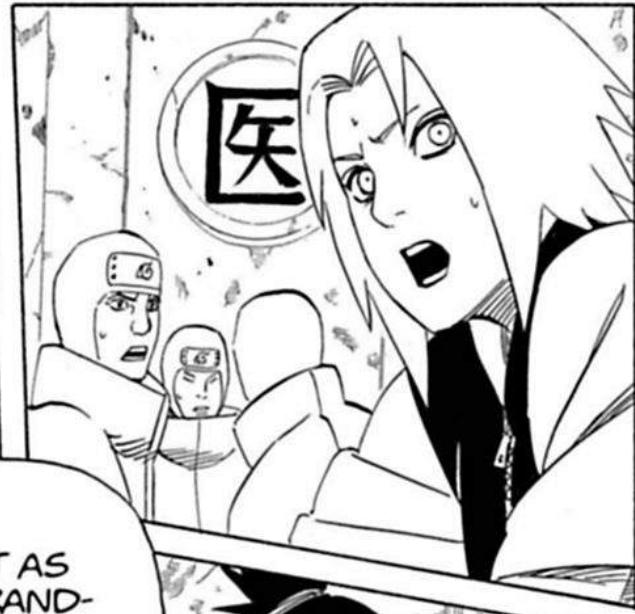


READ
THIS WAY





READ
THIS WAY



JUST AS
MY GRAND-
FATHER
THE FIRST
HOKAGE
BELIEVED IN
YOU AND
ENTRUSTED
KONOHA TO
YOU...



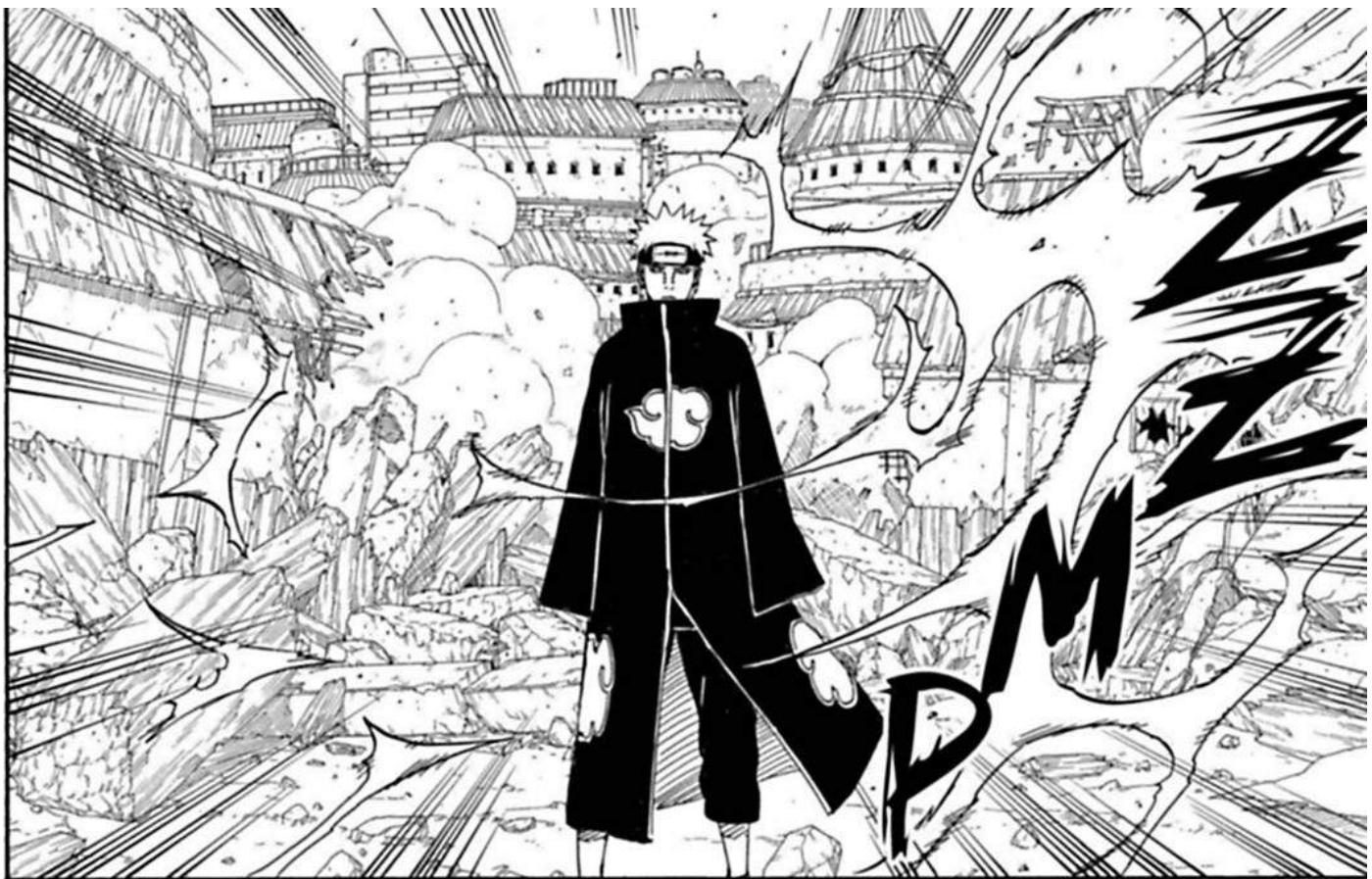
...IT IS
NOW YOUR
TURN TO
DO THE
SAME
FOR THE
CURRENT
YOUTH OF
KONOHA!!





READ
THIS
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READ
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THEY ARE
RECEIVER-LIKE
OBJECTS
THAT RESPOND
TO CHAKRA
SIGNALS...

...AND
PAIN'S
WHOLE
BODY IS
COVERED
WITH
THEM.



THIS
IS IT!

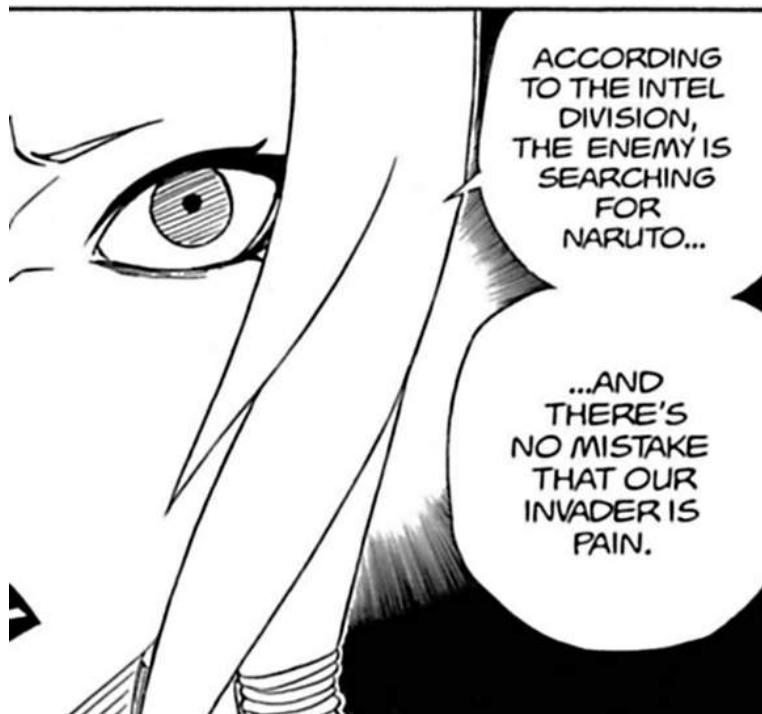


AND
THIS THING
IS STILL
REACTION,
EVEN
NOW...

...RECEIVERS,
HUH? OR PER-
HAPS THEY'RE
SOME SORT
OF WIRELESS
RADIO SO THEY
CAN COMMUNI-
CATE WITH
EACH OTHER
USING THEIR
CHAKRA...

DO YOU MEAN,
TO COORDINATE
THEIR
MOVEMENTS,
THEY RECEIVE
SOME CHAKRA
SIGNAL ACROSS
THEIR ENTIRE
BODIES?

ACCORDING TO
LORD FUKASAKU,
ALL SIX PAINS
HAD SIMILAR
OBJECTS
STUDDED THEIR
BODIES AND
FACES.

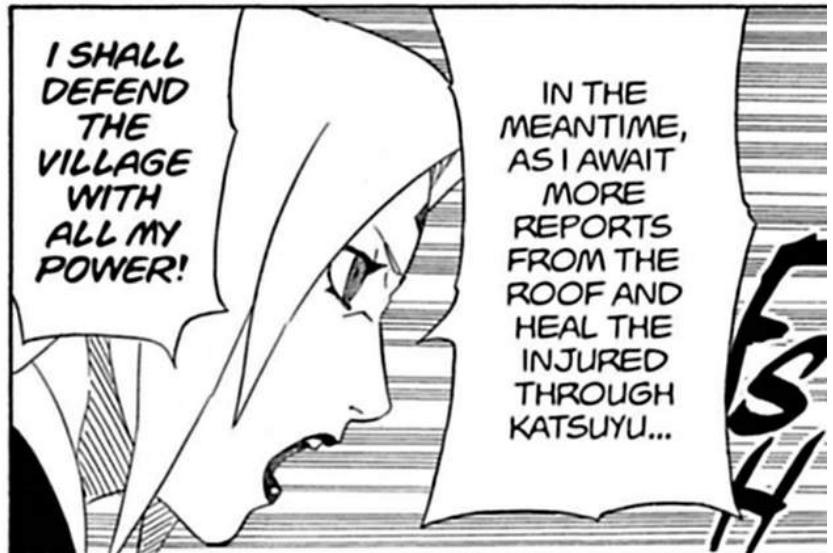
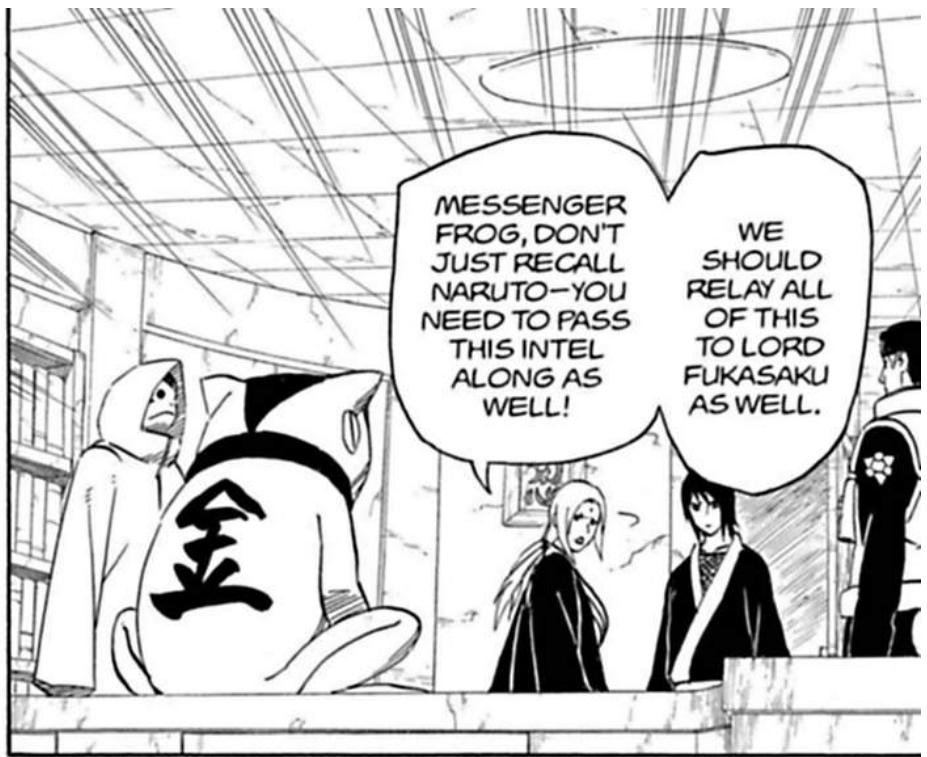


ACCORDING
TO THE INTEL
DIVISION,
THE ENEMY IS
SEARCHING
FOR
NARUTO...

TO CLARIFY,
I WILL
COMPARE
THIS TO THE
DATA FROM
THE INTER-
ROGATION
CORPS!

THIS HAS
TO BE THE
KEY TO THE
SECRET OF
PAIN'S
STRENGTH!





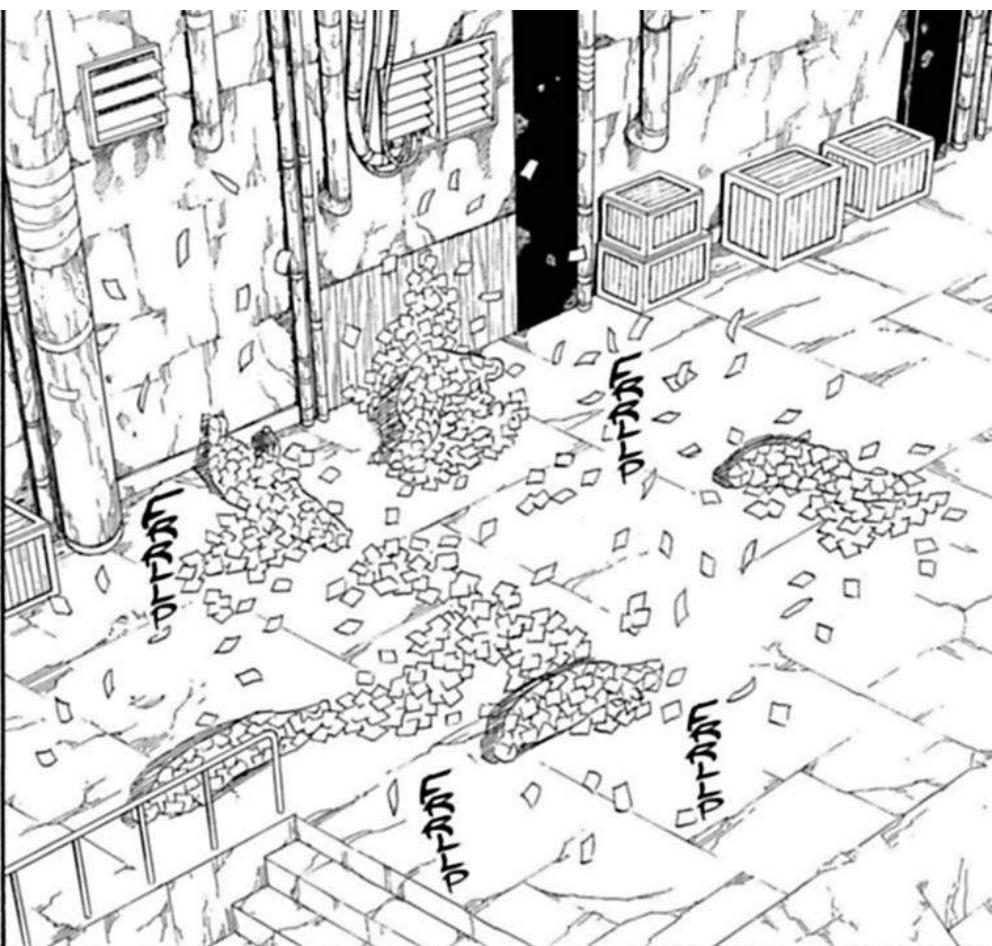
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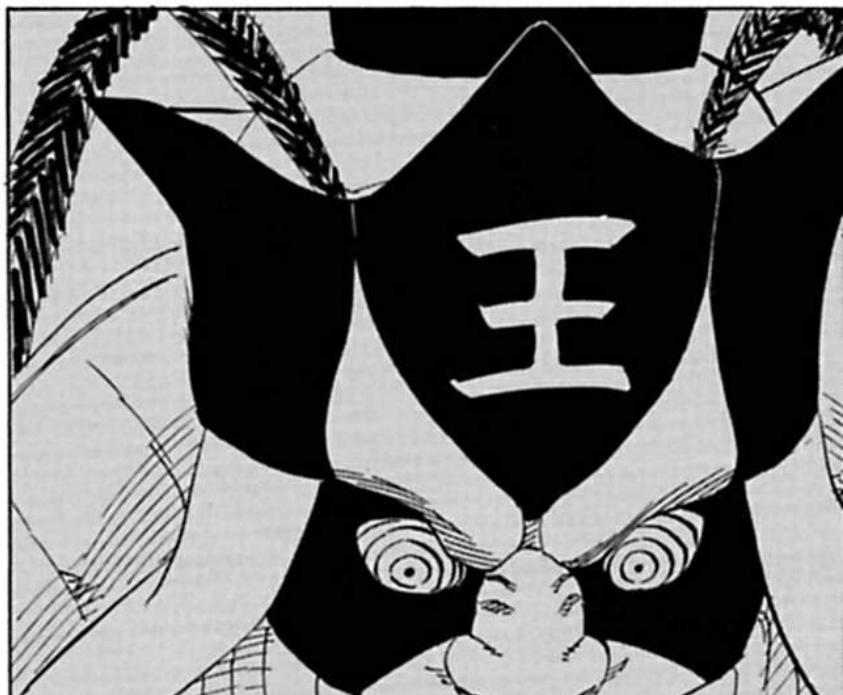
NARUTO



number
222: Maia
v. Dan







BOOF

**ART
OF
SUM-
MONING**

TAK



I WILL
PROTECT
THIS
VILLAGE...

SPLUCH SPLUCH SPLUCH SPLUCH



CRICK CRICK CRICK CRICK



MOW ND
MOW ND
MOW ND
MOW ND

VERY WELL.

SINK
SINK

THE
VILLAGE
IS IN
DANGER...

GO ATTEND
TO ALL
KONOHA
RESIDENTS,
BOTH SHINOBI
AND NON!

JUST
GO!

TAKE MY
CHAKRA
AND
HEAL THE
INJURED!

...I
SWEAR
UPON
MY TITLE
OF
HOKAGE!



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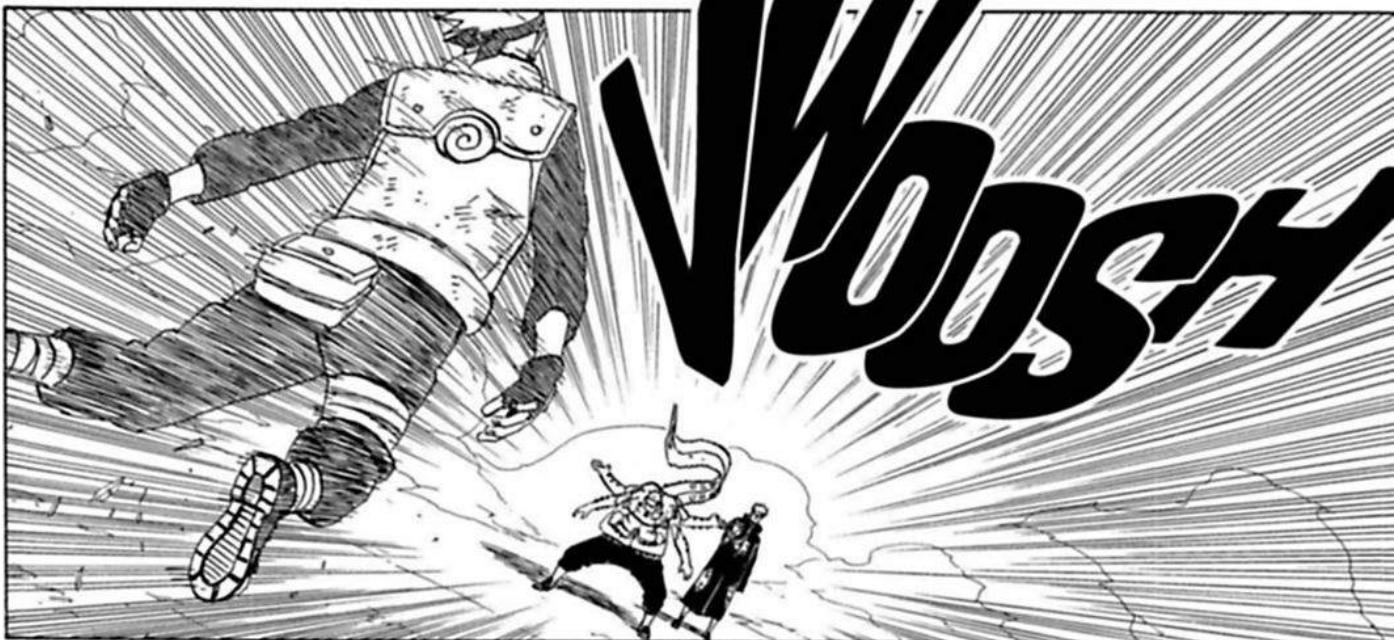


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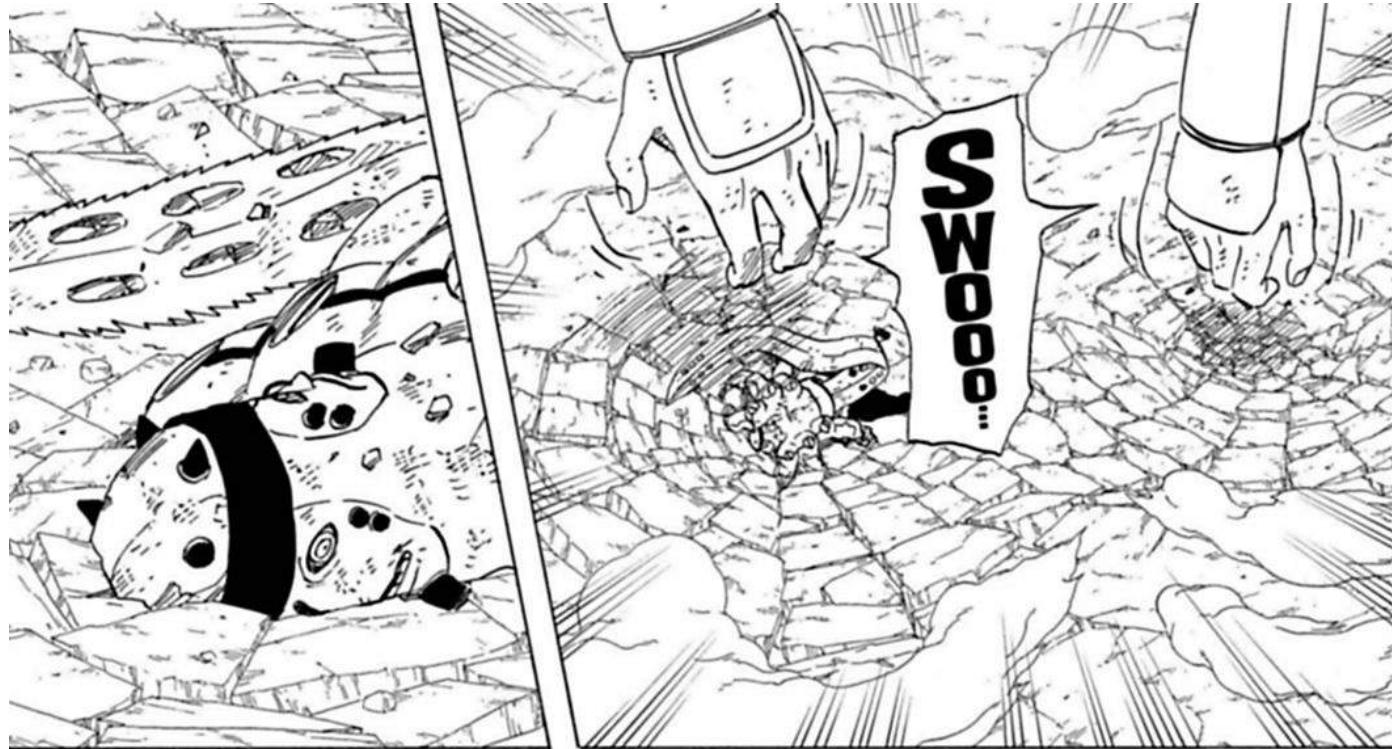


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