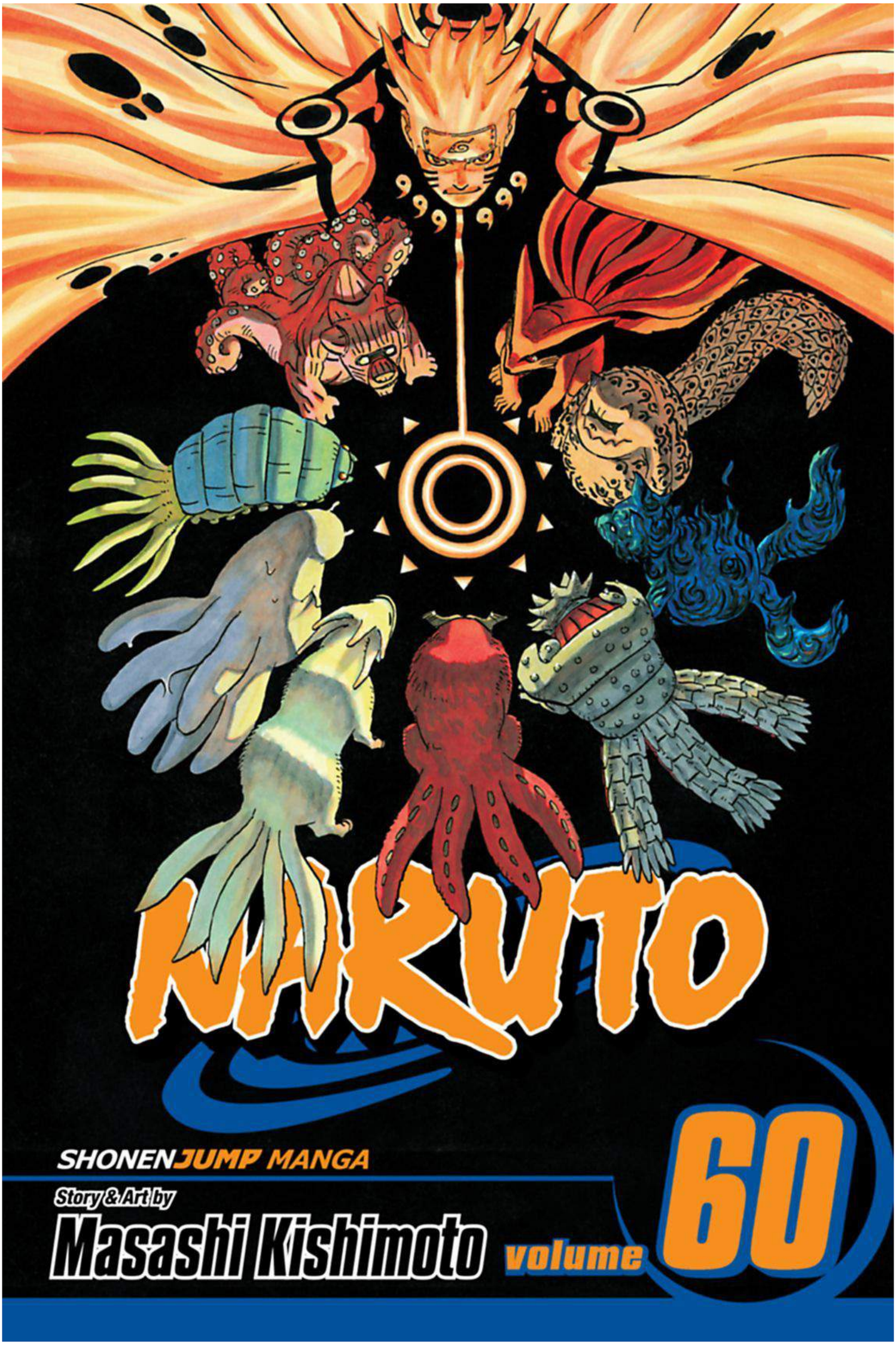
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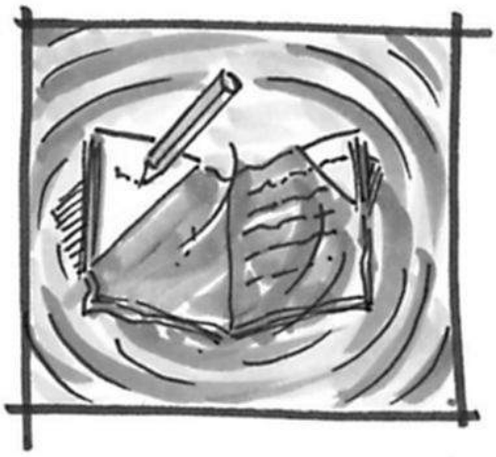

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For quite some time now, there have been occasions when I think of ideas while in the tub. It's because the blood flow to my head improves and makes it easier for ideas to spring forth. However, I cannot take notes in the tub... And after I get out of the tub, before I realize it, I've ended up forgetting what those ideas inside my head were. Both my mind and body have been washed clean.

—Masashi Kishimoto, 2012

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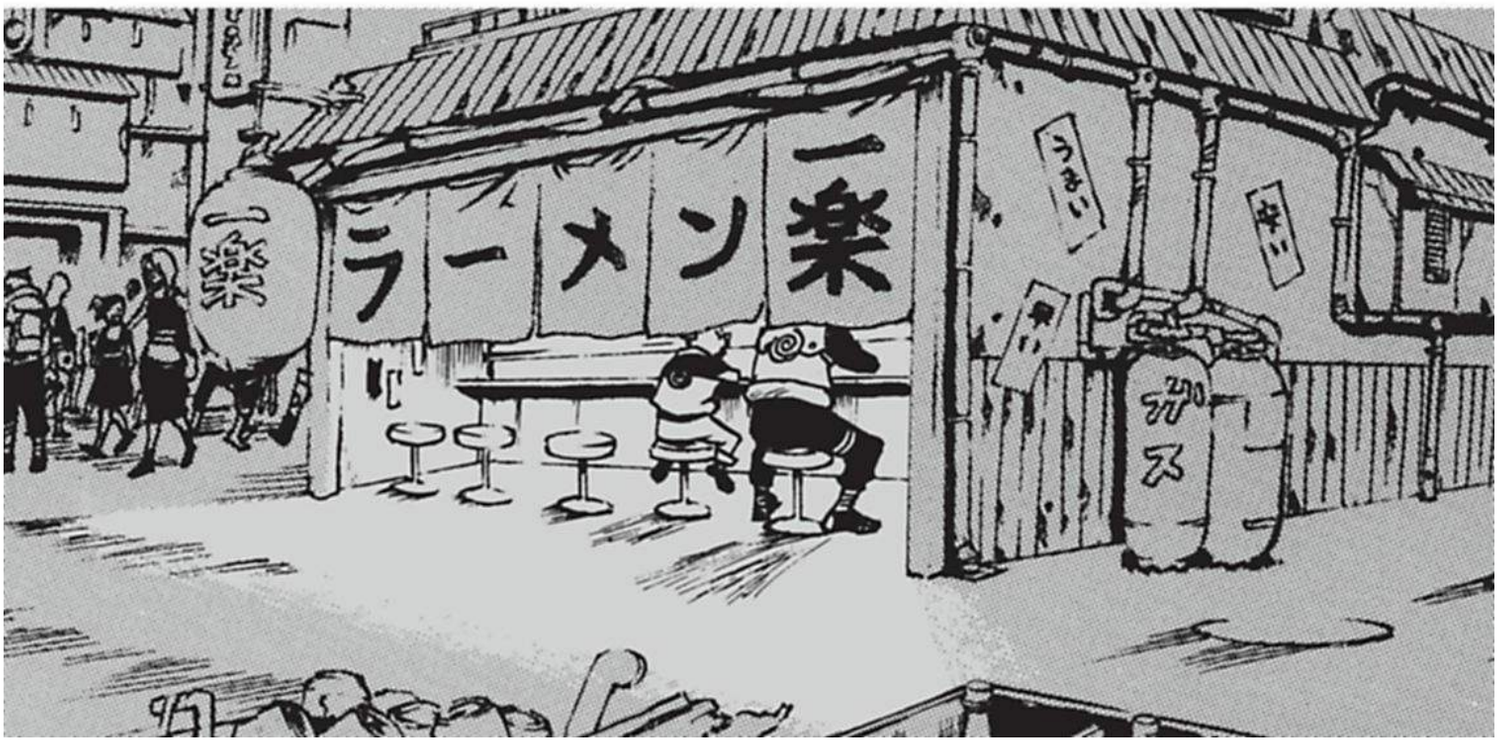

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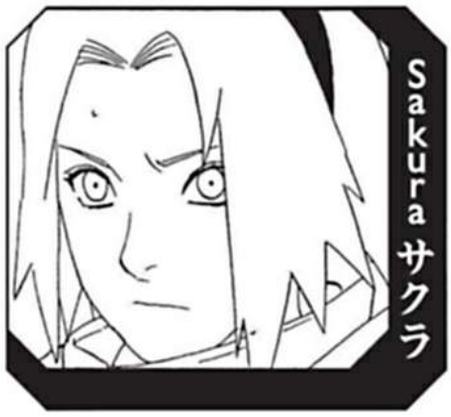
CHARACTERS

Naruto ナルト

Sasuke サスケ

Kakashi カカシ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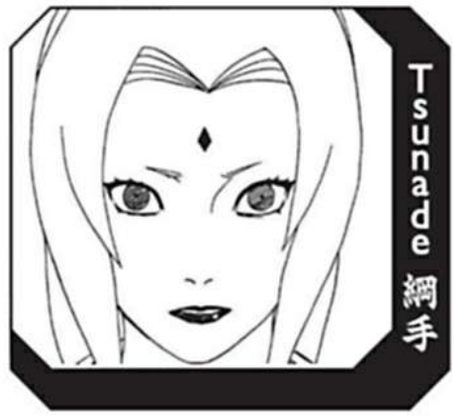
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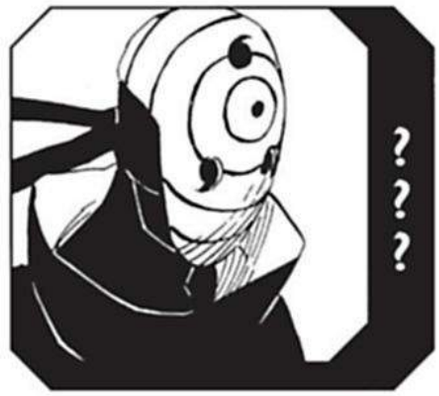
Gaara 我愛羅



THE STORY SO FAR...

Naruto, the biggest troublemaker at the Ninja Academy in the Village of 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 grows up and engages in fierce battles against the Tailed Beast-targeting Akatsuki. Elsewhere, after winning the heroic battle against Itachi and learning his older brother's true intentions, Sasuke allies with the Akatsuki and sets out to destroy Konoha.

The Fourth Great Ninja War against the Akatsuki begins. After a series of unfavorable battles early on, the Allied Shinobi Forces begin to rally and make a comeback. However, the war situation deteriorates once again thanks to Uchiha Madara, who has been summoned back to life by Kabuto, and the Five Shadows finally assemble upon the battlefield! Meanwhile, Naruto and Bee violently clash with six jinchûriki manipulated by the masked Madara!!

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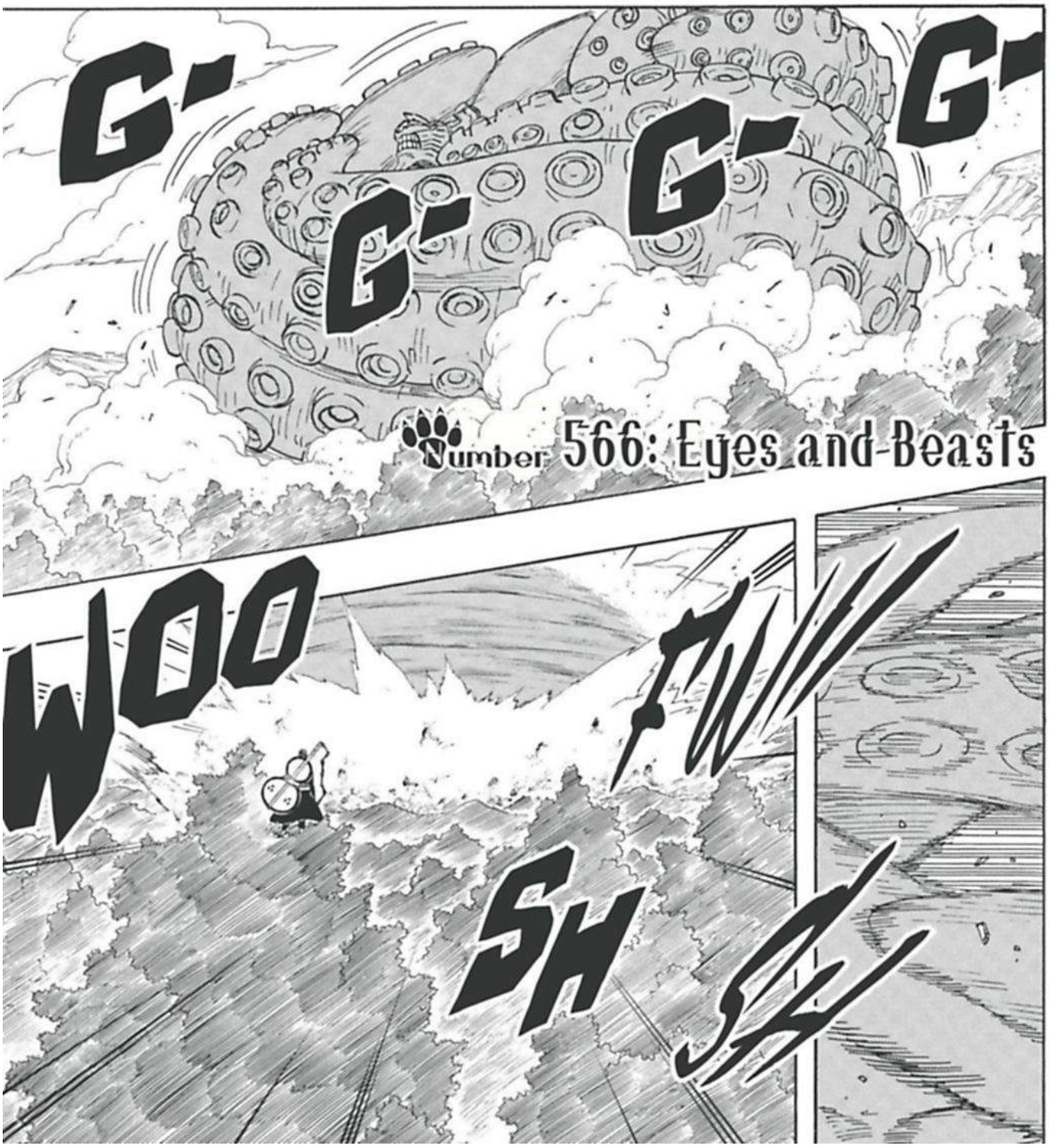
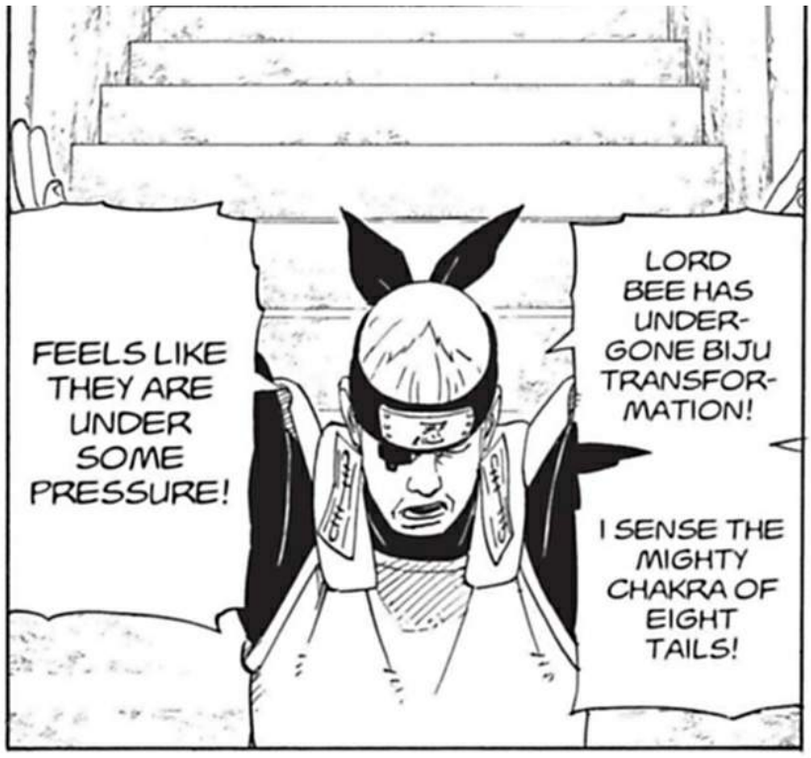
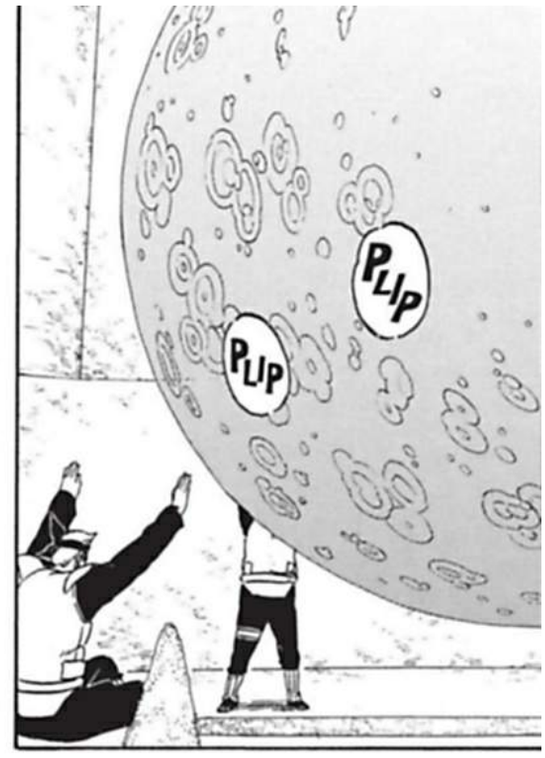


Number 566: Eyes and Beasts

RRRRRRAAWW

EIGHT TAIL BIJU TWISTER !!


FEELS LIKE THEY ARE UNDER SOME PRESSURE!
LORD BEE HAS UNDERGONE BIJU TRANSFORMATION!
I SENSE THE MIGHTY CHAKRA OF EIGHT TAILS!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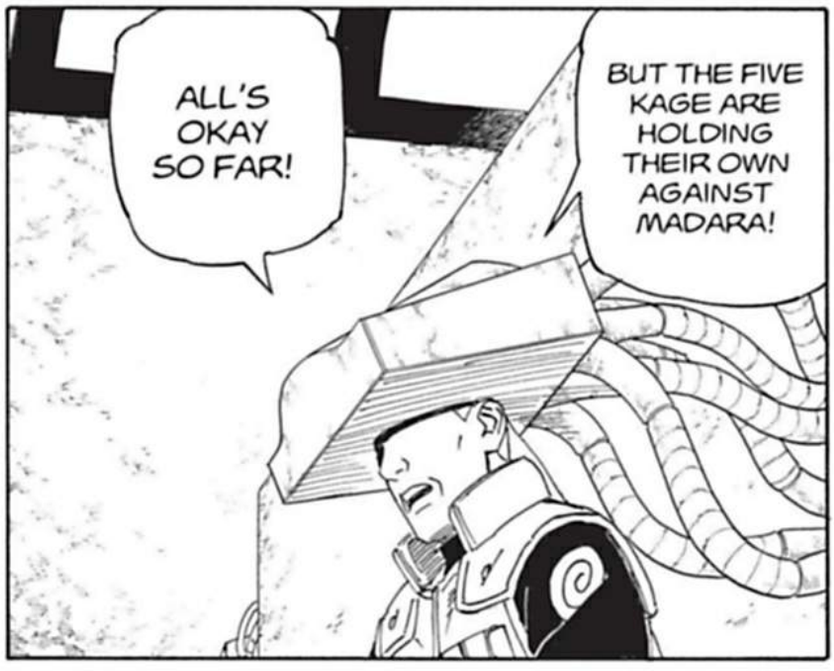

ALL'S OKAY SO FAR!
BUT THE FIVE KAGE ARE HOLDING THEIR OWN AGAINST MADARA!

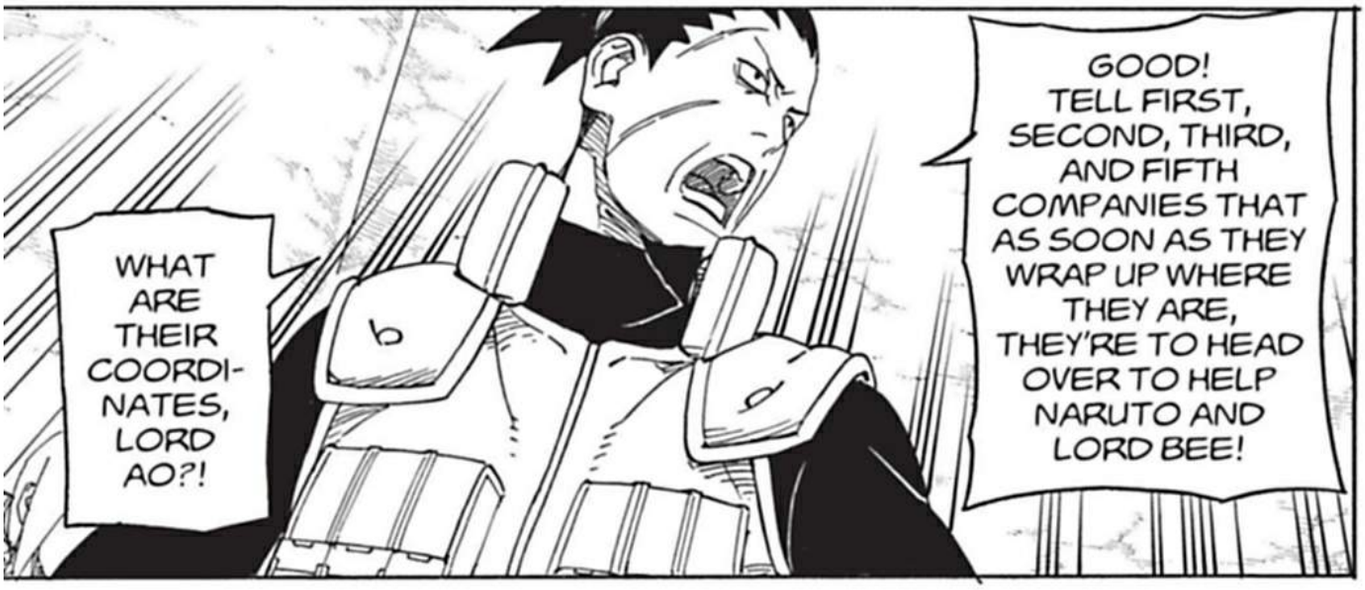
THIS DOESN'T SEEM GOOD...

FIRST AND SECOND COMPANIES ARE JUST ABOUT DONE ANNIHILATING THE ENEMY!

WHAT ABOUT THE COMPANIES?!
THEY ARE THE FIVE KAGE AFTER ALL!

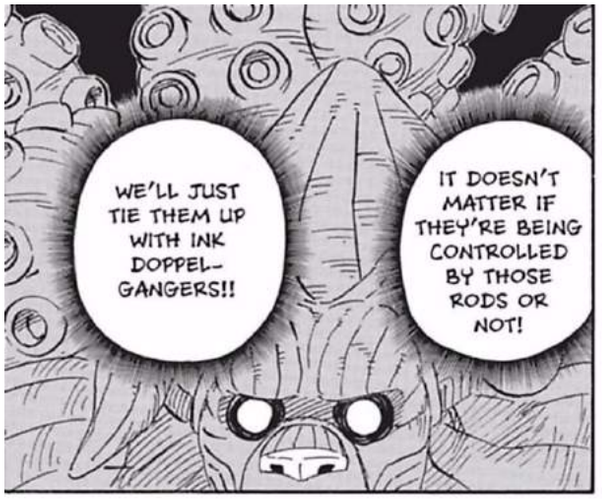
FIFTH COMPANY APPEARS TO NEED A LITTLE MORE TIME...
BUT THEY HAVE THE UPPER HAND!!

ONCE THEY SEAL HIM AWAY, ALL SEVEN SWORDSMEN OF THE MIST WILL BE APPREHEND-ED!
THIRD COMPANY IS DOWN TO ONE EDOTENSEI!


WHAT ARE THEIR COORDI-NATES, LORD AO?!
GOOD! TELL FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, AND FIFTH COMPANIES THAT AS SOON AS THEY WRAP UP WHERE THEY ARE, THEY'RE TO HEAD OVER TO HELP NARUTO AND LORD BEE!

W-WOW...

FWOOSH


WE'LL JUST TIE THEM UP WITH INK DOPPEL-GANGERS!!
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF THEY'RE BEING CONTROLLED BY THOSE RODS OR NOT!

SEALING JUTSU! OCTOPUS HOLD!!
GLOMP

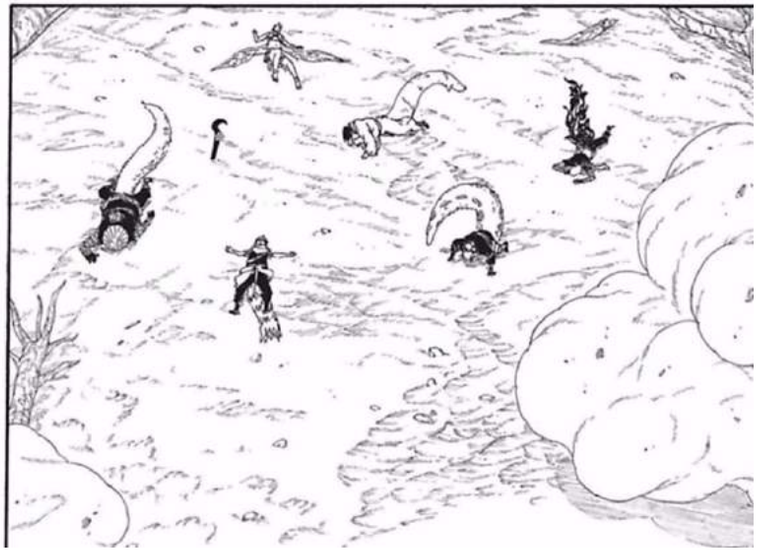
KLOP

F WOOOOSH...

THIS IS OUR CHANCE! WE NEED TO SEAL THEM AWAY NOW, BEE!!

YOU KNOW SEALING JUTSU, OCTOPOPS?!

!!
THEY'RE ALL KNOCKED OUT!!



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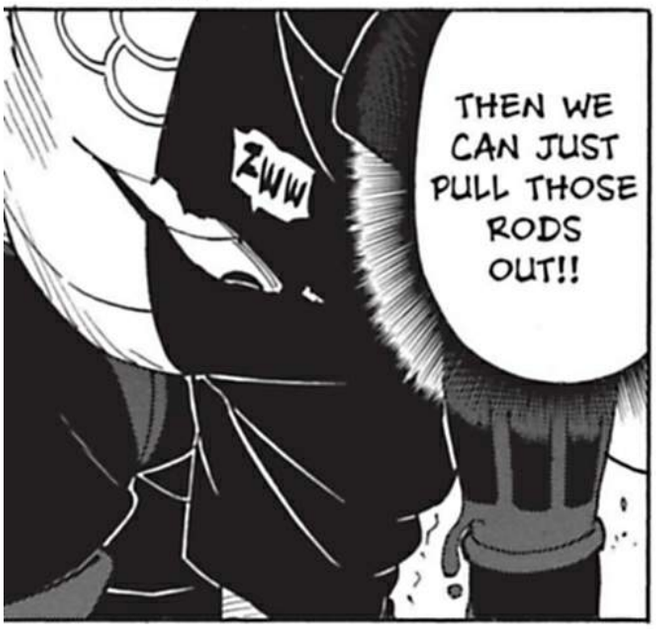
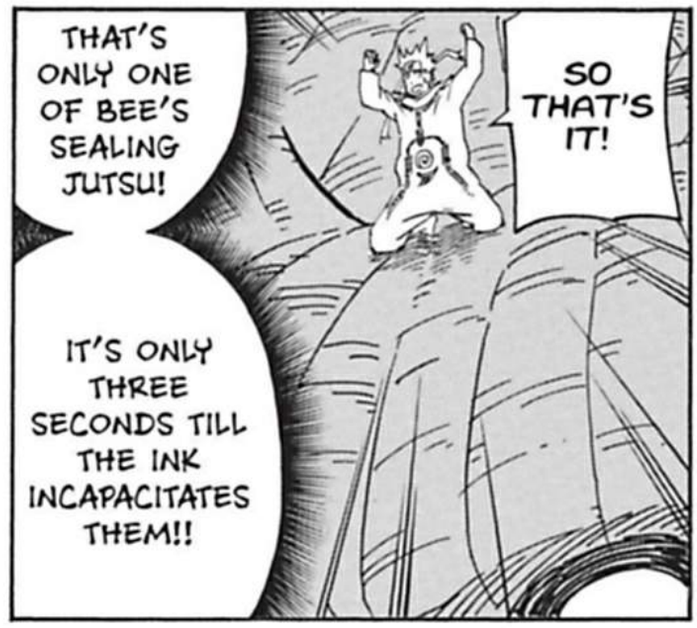
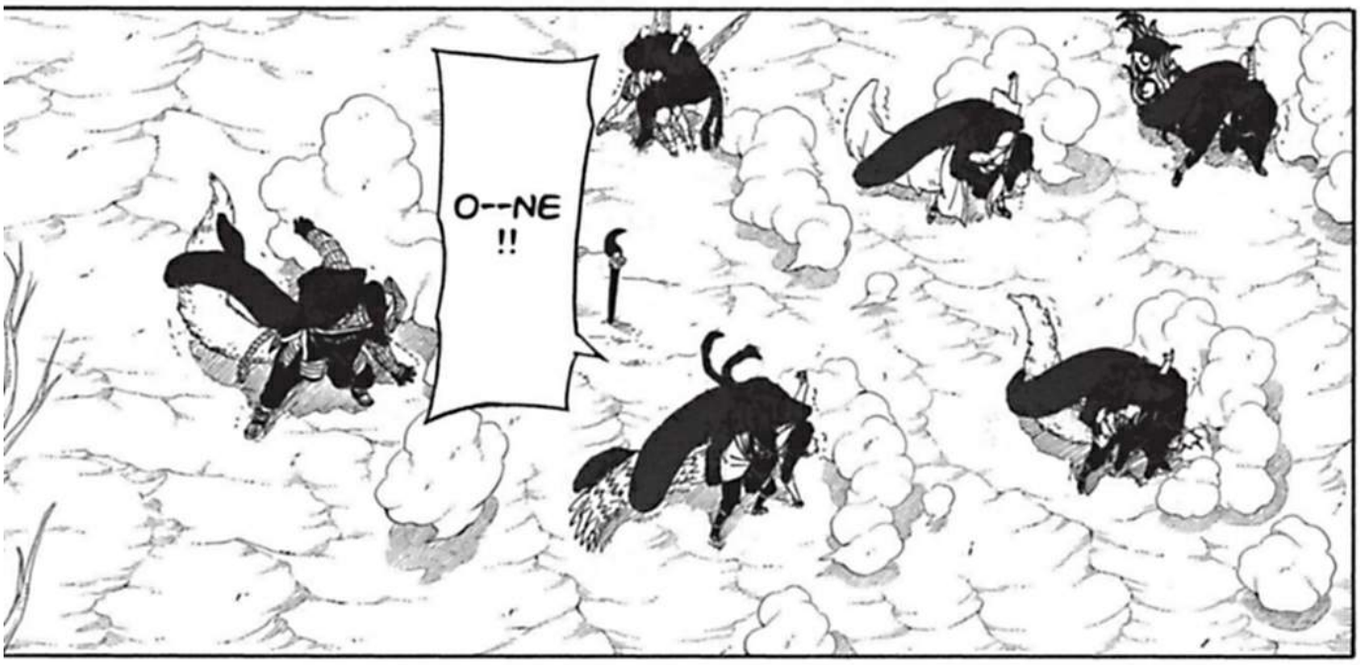
SHUU
WHA
SCREECH
UP
WH


ZWW
THEN WE CAN JUST PULL THOSE RODS OUT!!

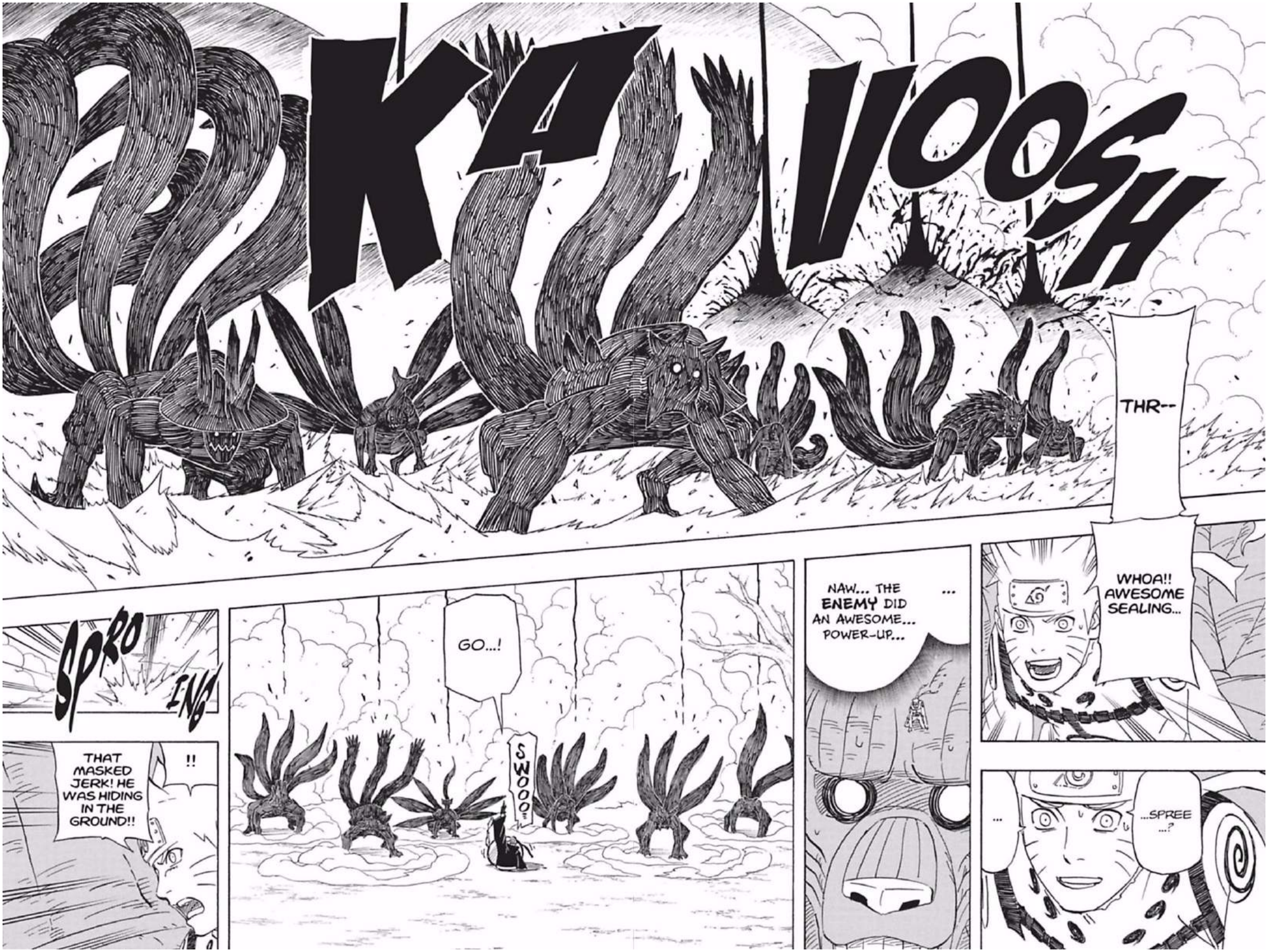

SO THAT'S IT!
THAT'S ONLY ONE OF BEE'S SEALING JUTSU!
IT'S ONLY THREE SECONDS TILL THE INK INCAPACITATES THEM!!


O--NE !!

KRKK...

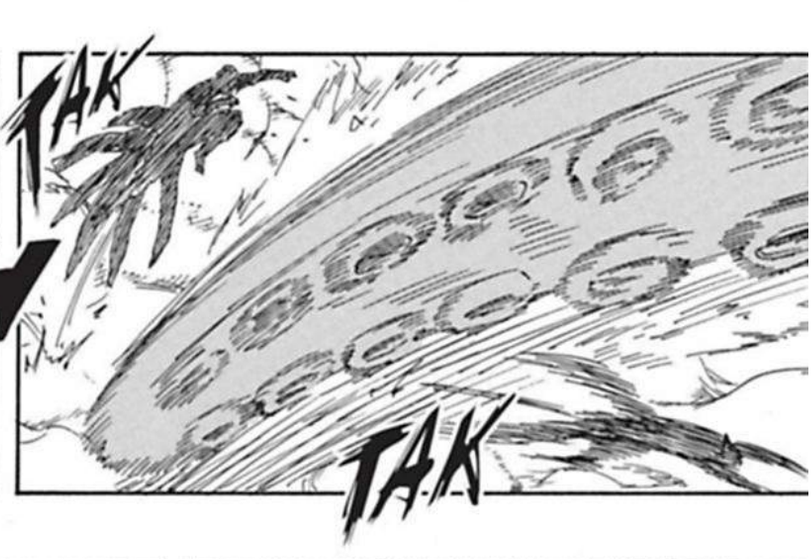
...
TW--O !!

SWOO...


KA
WOOSH
THR--
WHOA!! AWESOME SEALING...
...
NAW... THE ENEMY DID AN AWESOME... POWER-UP...
GO...!
SWOOO
SPRO
ING
THAT MASKED JERK! HE WAS HIDING IN THE GROUND!!
!!
...
...SPREE ...?

SHOOM
SHOOM

VOO
SH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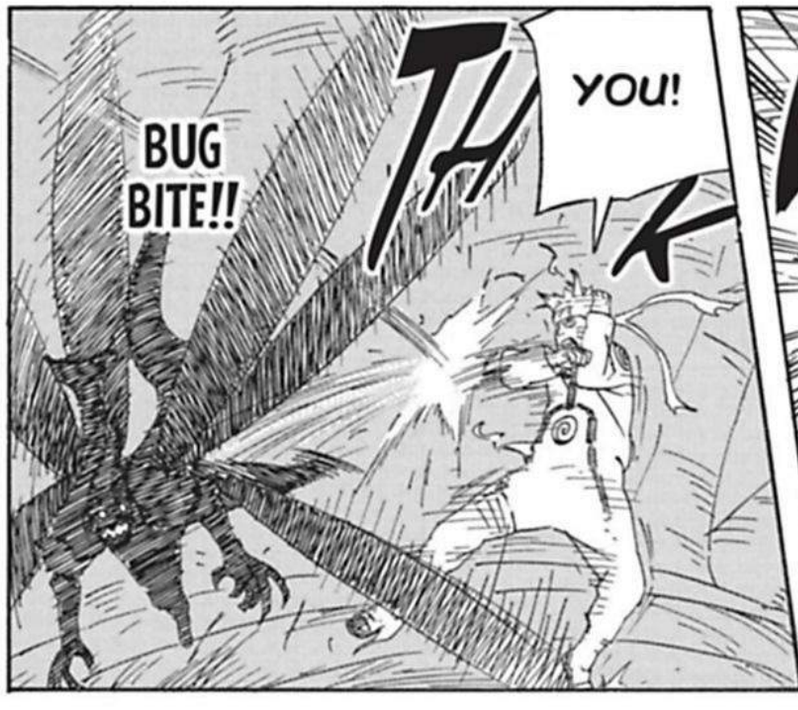
TAK


BUG BITE!!
TH
K
YOU!

VEEP
SWISH

SQUILCH
LEECH SLIP!!

ARGH!!
CAT CLAWS!!
LASH

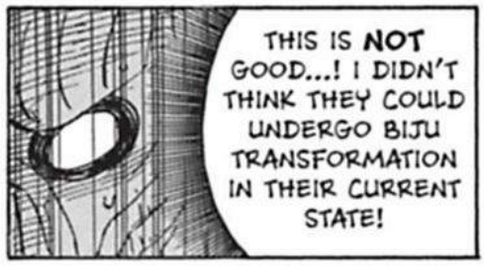
WAH!
BAM
CORAL PALM!!

IT'S SUPER-ALKALINE FLUID! YOUR SKIN IS MELTING!!
OWW!!
ZIZZLE

?!
WHOO

?!!
WHA?!
PL
K-PK-PK-PK-PK

UNGH!
TNK


THIS IS NOT GOOD...! I DIDN'T THINK THEY COULD UNDERGO BIJU TRANSFORMATION IN THEIR CURRENT STATE!

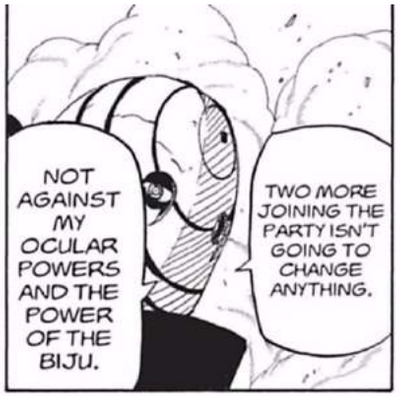
NARUTO, WE NEED TO RETREAT AND REGROUP...

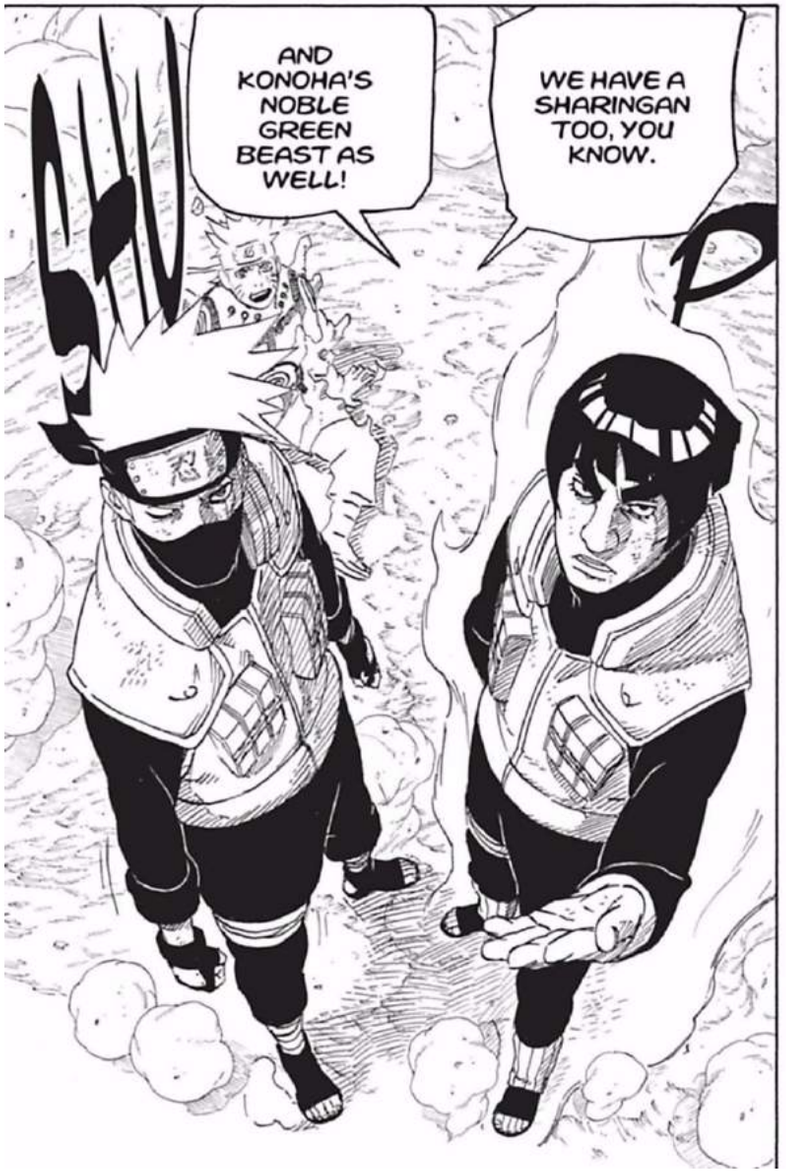
!!
FSH
FLORAL MOUN-TAIN!!
BLAM

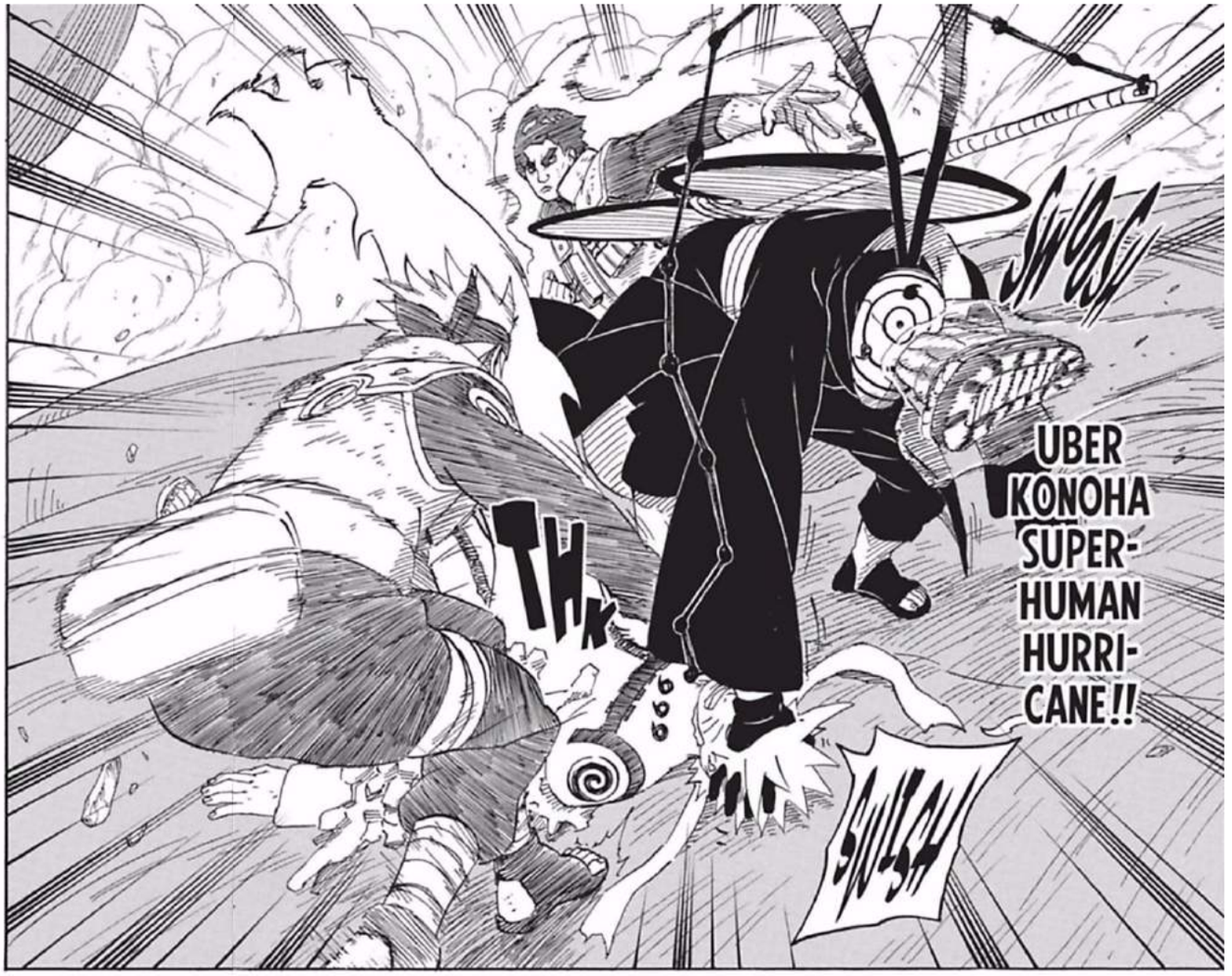
BO
OFT
ZINNLE
THOOM

HORN HIT!!
SLAM
TA
K
UGH!
SWHAM
NO...!!
EVEN IF YOU'RE ALL JINCHŪRIKI, SIX AGAINST TWO APPEARS TO BE BAD ODDS, HUH?
I TOUCH YOU, I WIN!
YOU!!
WHAM
BOOM
CAN'T MOVE...

MASTERS KAKASHI AND UBER-BROWS!!


NOT AGAINST MY OCULAR POWERS AND THE POWER OF THE BIJU.
TWO MORE JOINING THE PARTY ISN'T GOING TO CHANGE ANYTHING.


SHU
AND KONOHA'S NOBLE GREEN BEAST AS WELL!
WE HAVE A SHARINGAN TOO, YOU KNOW.


SWOSH
THK
UBER KONOHA SUPER-HUMAN HURRI-CANE!!
SWISH

USING NARUTO AS BAIT, EH?
WHAT A NUISANCE.
FSH
FSH

WHAH

!!!

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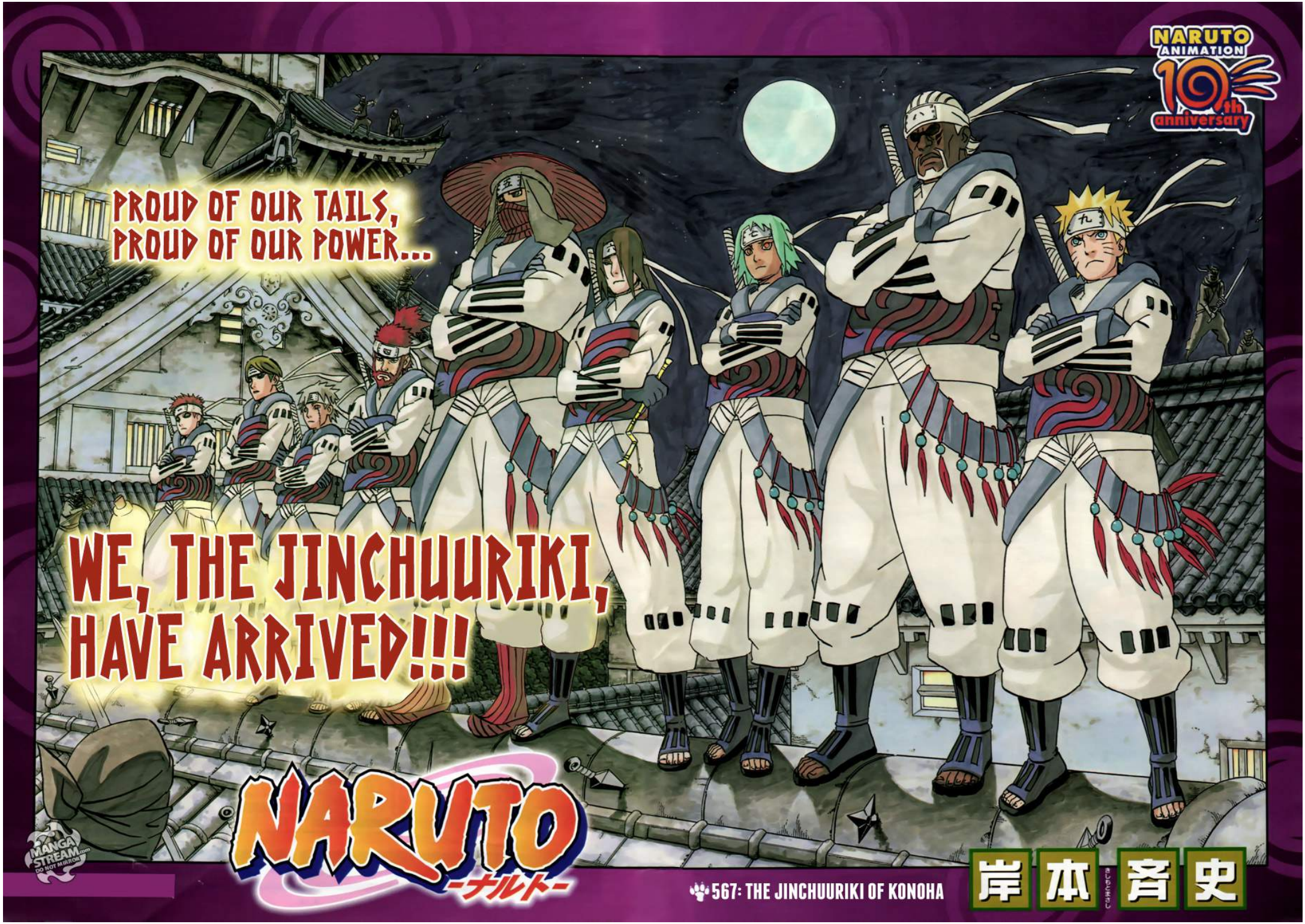
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PROUD OF OUR TAILS, PROUD OF OUR POWER...
WE, THE JINCHUURIKI, HAVE ARRIVED!!!
NARUTO
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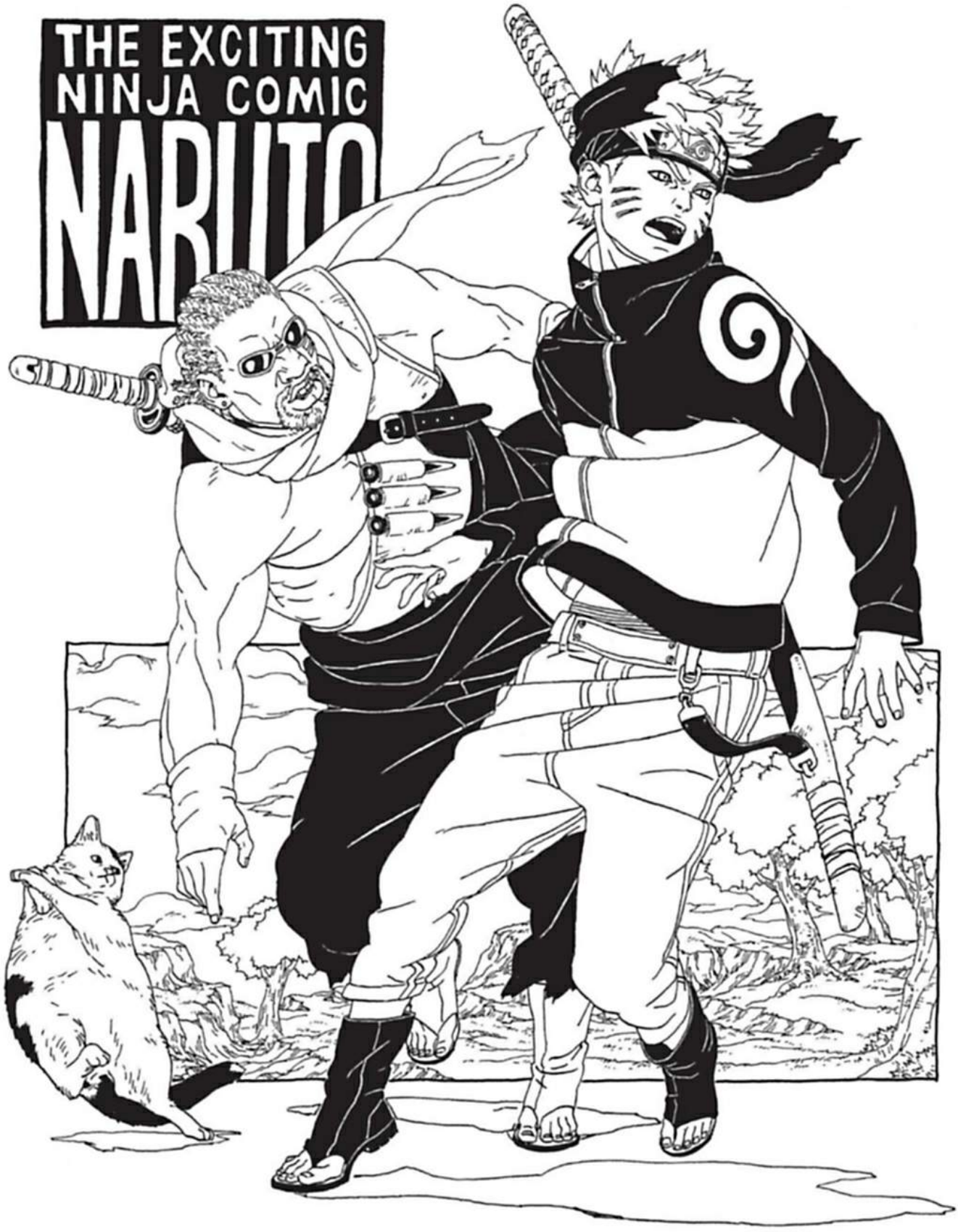
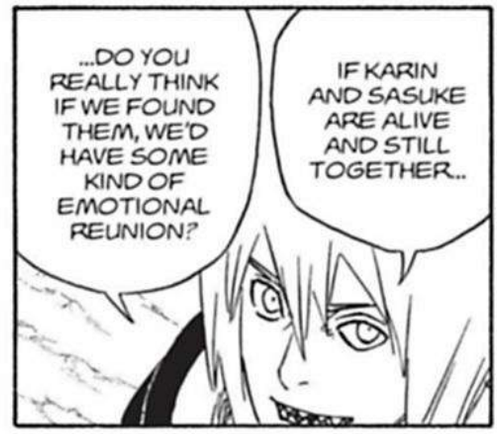


Mikio Ikemoto

WHY?
I THINK YOU'RE WASTING BRAIN CELLS...
I WONDER IF SASUKE AND KARIN ARE OKAY?

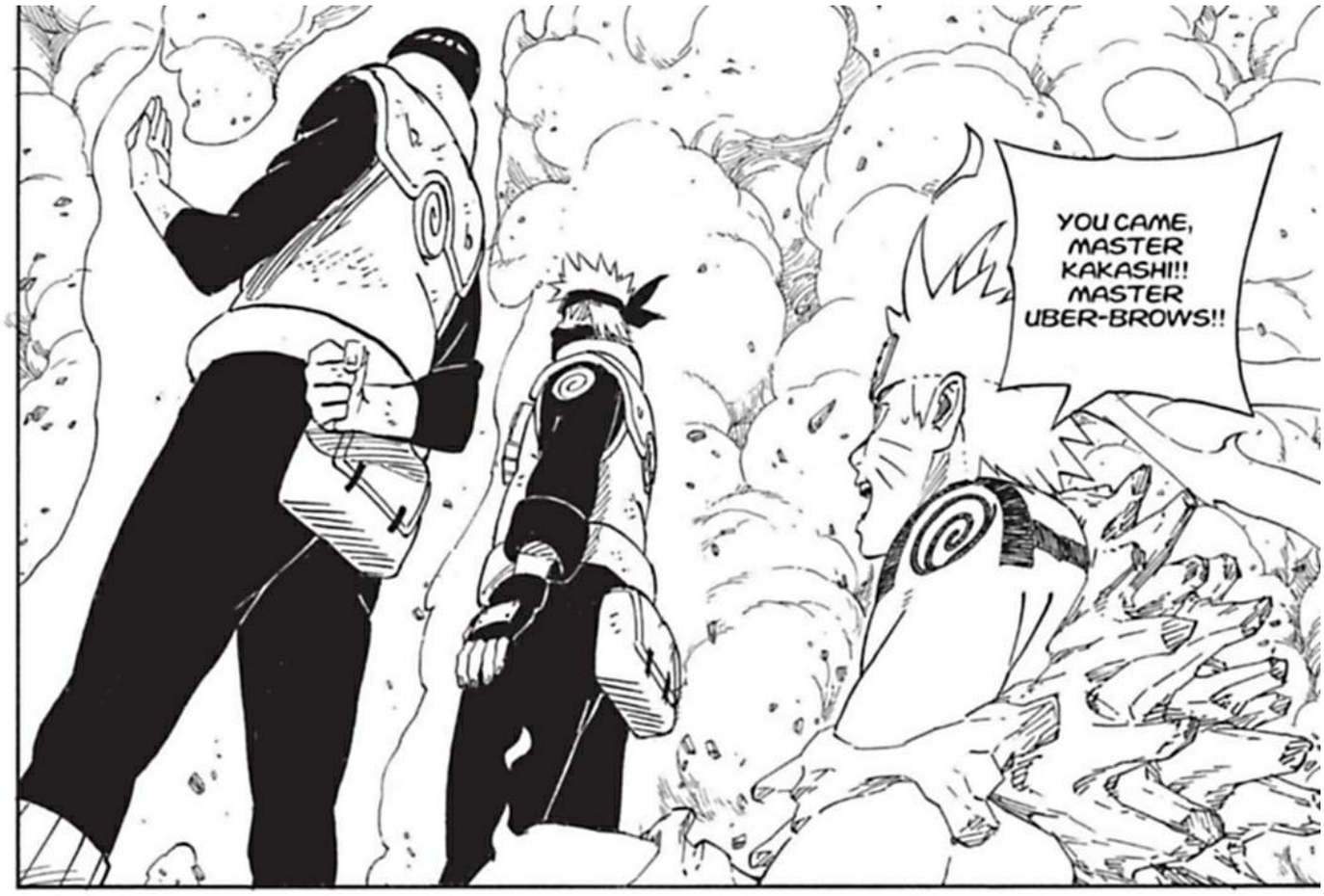
YOU AND I ARE THE THIRD AND FOURTH WHEELS.
LISTEN, KARIN WANTS TO GET HOT AND HEAVY WITH SASUKE.

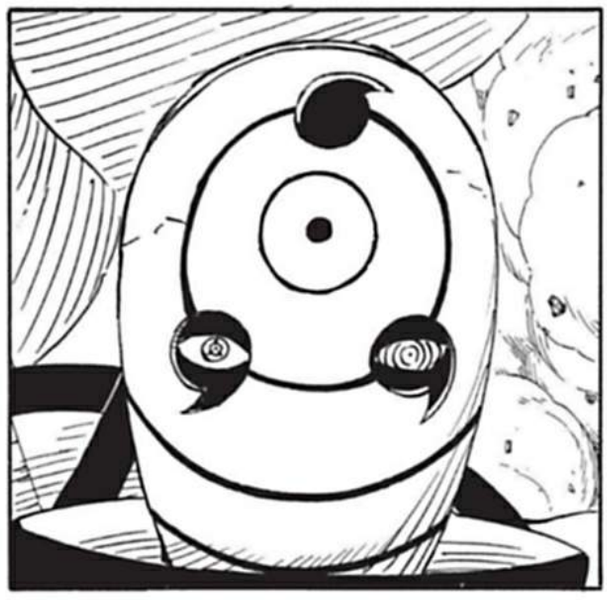
...?

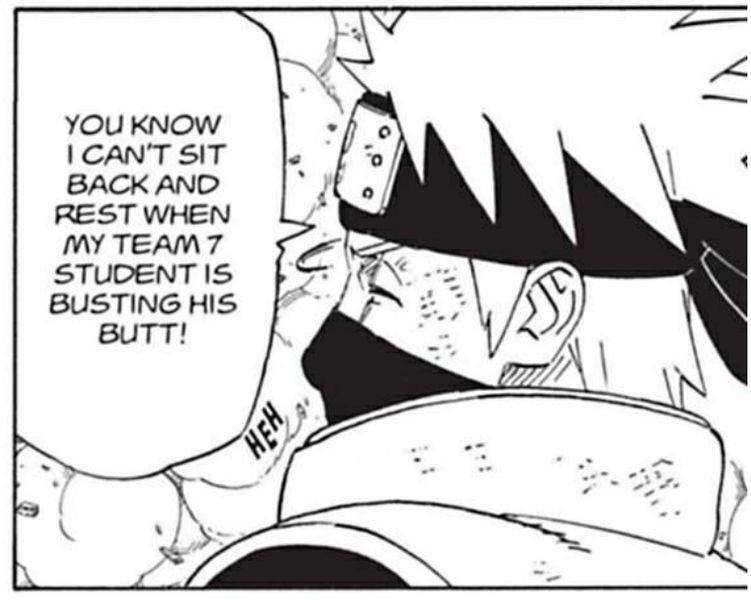

...DO YOU REALLY THINK IF WE FOUND THEM, WE'D HAVE SOME KIND OF EMOTIONAL REUNION?
IF KARIN AND SASUKE ARE ALIVE AND STILL TOGETHER...

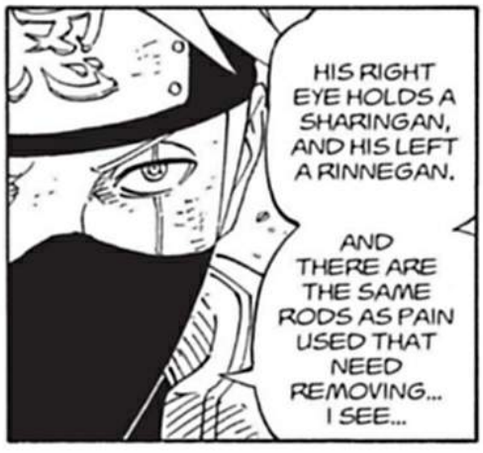
LET'S CHECK OROCHIMARU'S HIDEOUT FIRST!
MY SECOND FAVORITE PASTIME **AFTER** BLADE-COLLECTING.
NAW, WE'RE GOING TO MEDDLE, OF COURSE.

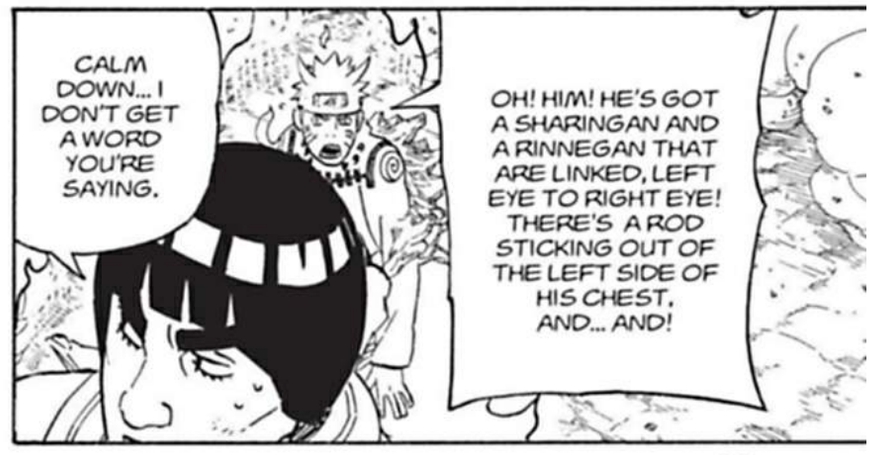
OH YEAH? SO WHAT DO WE DO, THEN?
...
JUST KEEP COLLECTING BLADES?

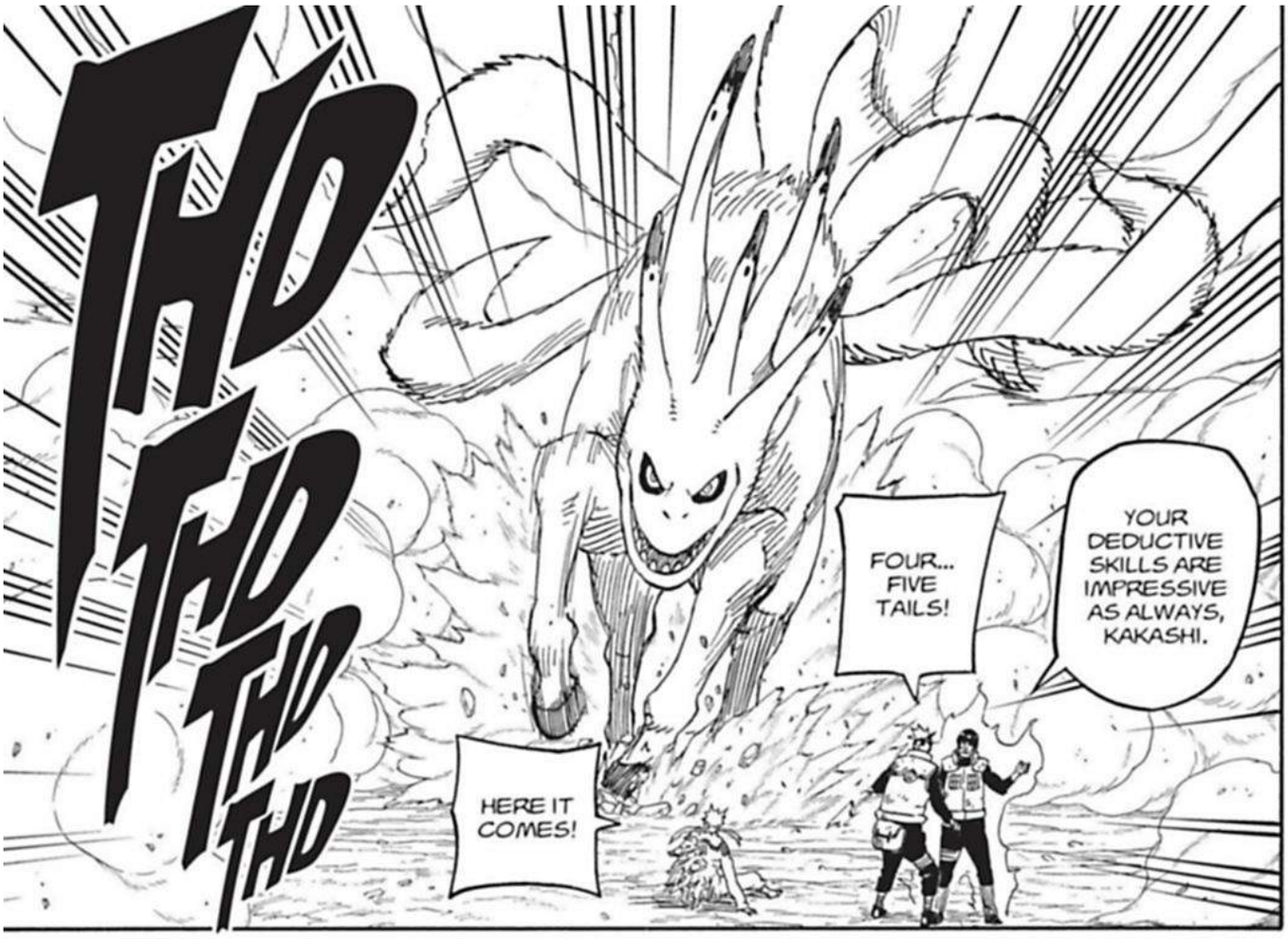

YOU CAME, MASTER KAKASHI!! MASTER UBER-BROWS!!




YOU KNOW I CAN'T SIT BACK AND REST WHEN MY TEAM 7 STUDENT IS BUSTING HIS BUTT!
HEH


HIS RIGHT EYE HOLDS A SHARINGAN, AND HIS LEFT A RINNEGAN.
AND THERE ARE THE SAME RODS AS PAIN USED THAT NEED REMOVING... I SEE...


CALM DOWN... I DON'T GET A WORD YOU'RE SAYING.
OH! HIM! HE'S GOT A SHARINGAN AND A RINNEGAN THAT ARE LINKED, LEFT EYE TO RIGHT EYE! THERE'S A ROD STICKING OUT OF THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS CHEST, AND... AND!


THD
THD
THD
THD
HERE IT COMES!
FOUR... FIVE TAILS!
YOUR DEDUCTIVE SKILLS ARE IMPRESSIVE AS ALWAYS, KAKASHI.

PIK
PIK
TH-THANKS!

URG!!
KONOHA ROCK CRUSH!!
KRAK

UNGH...!
!
G-G-

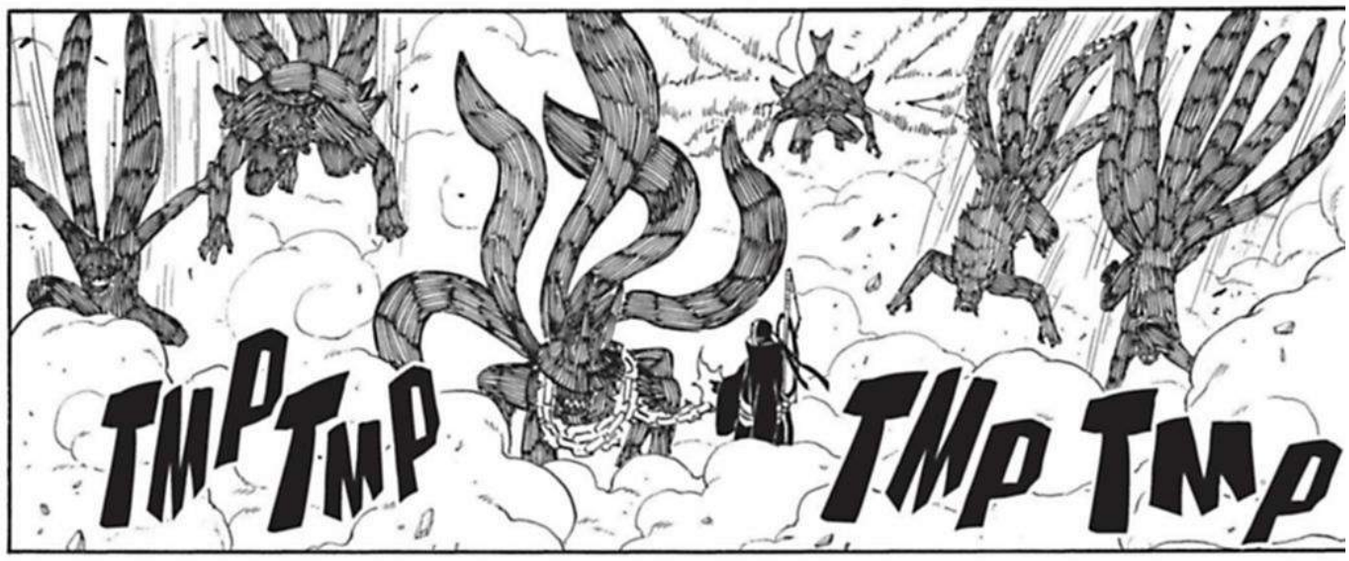
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, BEE?!
WE SHARE PAIN, REMEMBER?!

SORRY, EIGHT-O!
YOU OKAY?

BA
M
CAN'T BELIEVE... I'M HIS...
!!
SO PAINFUL ...
VOOSH
FSH
SWOO...
URRGH...
GA K
!!
ZWWW...
NWOP
SQU CH
VO SH
IT... WAS TRYING TO ATTACK TOBI...?
!

SHH
SHH
SHH
RAWR!!

I DON'T KNOW. HE DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE THE BIJU COMPLETELY UNDER HIS CONTROL.
WHY IS HE BOTTLING UP THE BIJU'S POWER?
MAYBE...


TMP TMP
TMP TMP

URGG...
FFT

THAT WAS THE BIJU... FIVE TAILS' VOICE.
THOOM

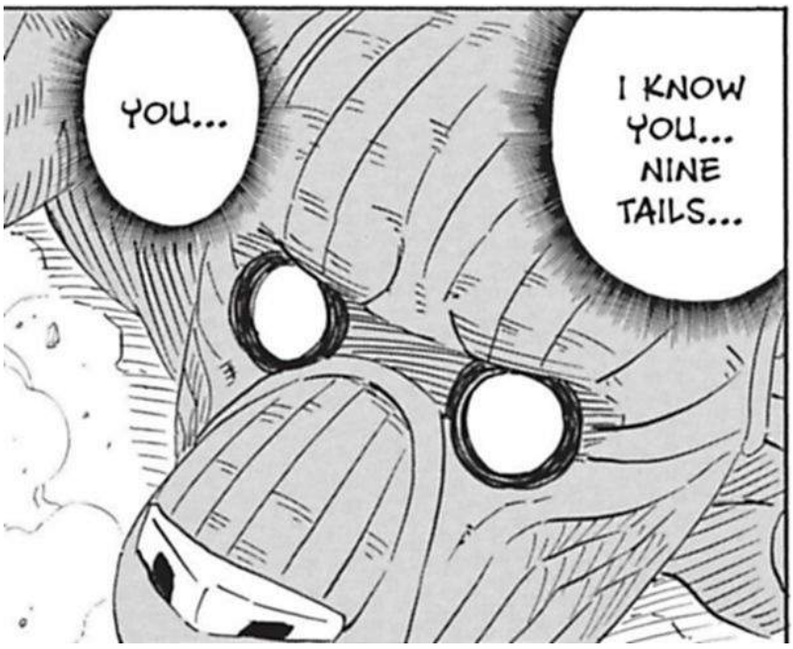
...YEAH...

HEY... DID YOU HEAR THAT, NARUTO? THAT VOICE?

IT PAINS ME TO SEE ANOTHER OF MY KIND TREATED LIKE THAT!
BLOP BLOP
WE BIJU HAVE EMOTIONS.
GRR...
THO O M...

HUH? NINE TAILS CAN TALK TO EIGHT TAILS?
...?!

HUMPH... I WONDER ABOUT THAT, NINE TAILS.
...


YOU...
I KNOW YOU... NINE TAILS...

IT'S ALWAYS BEEN THE SAME WITH EVERY SHINOBI WHO HAS KEPT US AS PETS!
FEH! NOW YOU GET MAD...?
EIGHT TAILS... YOU AND THAT BRAT BEE ARE A SPECIAL EXCEPTION!

I'M GOING TO SLEEP!
SSH...

BY THE WAY, GIVEN THE NUMBER OF TAILS YOU HAVE, AREN'T YOU THE NEXT MOST POWERFUL AFTER ME, EIGHT TAILS?!
AW, SHUT YOUR TRAP...!
HURRY UP AND TAKE THEM DOWN!

DON'T YOU DARE PLAY POSSUM, YOU FOX, EH!!
HEY, ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME, YOU FOOL?!
RRRR

YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT! THAT'S WHY THAT TANUKI ONE TAIL REALLY HATED YOU!
DON'T DECIDE WHO'S STRONGER OR WEAKER BASED ON THE TAIL COUNT!

THE ENEMY'S INCOMING! DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN JUST CUZ I'M HERE!
YOU'RE BABBLING AGAIN, NARUTO!
RIGHT!
SHUP
SWEAT
SWEAT

BUT IT'S A RARE THING, OF THE AMAZIN' KIND ♪
BIJU CAN TALK TO OTHER BIJU MIND-TO-MIND ♪
YO
YO

EIGHT TAILS AND NINE TAILS... ARE FIGHTING...
...

WHAT?!! I HAVE ENOUGH TROUBLE REMEMBERING PEOPLE'S FACES! THESE GUYS ALL LOOK THE SAME TO ME!!
WE FIRST NEED TO CONFIRM WHICH ONE PERFORMS WHICH OF PAIN'S JUTSU, GUY!
FWP
FWP
FOOM FOOM FOOM FOOM
VOO
EIGHT INNER GATES! SIXTH GATE OF JOY, OPEN!!
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LIGHTNING BLADE!!
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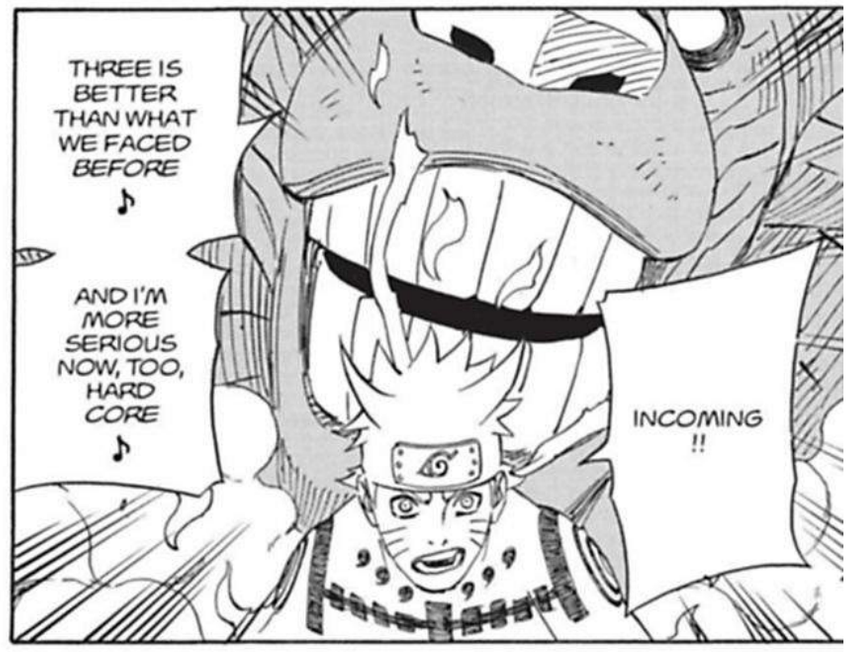
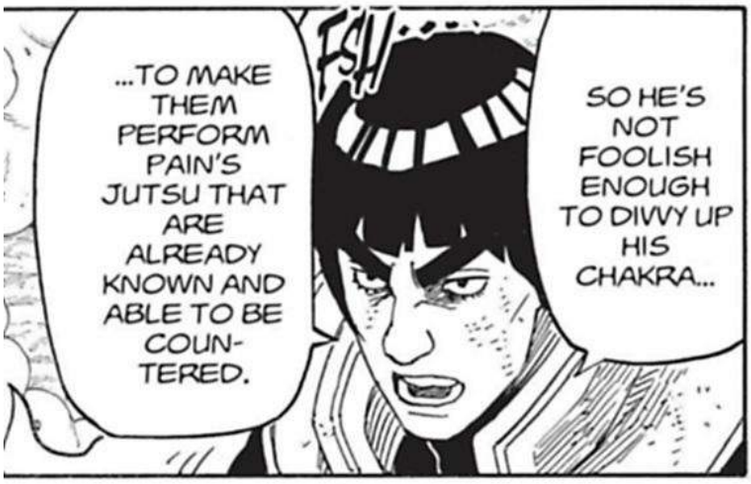
THREE HEADED YOUR WAY, NARUTO!

TH UD



BOOM BOOM
UNGH!!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...TO MAKE THEM PERFORM PAIN'S JUTSU THAT ARE ALREADY KNOWN AND ABLE TO BE COUN-TERED.
SO HE'S NOT FOOLISH ENOUGH TO DIVVY UP HIS CHAKRA...

SCREECH...
WHY AREN'T THEY USING PAIN'S JUTSU?!
SCREECH...
MAYBE... THEY, OR HE, CAN'T...

HATAKE KAKASHI, YOU'RE A QUICK ONE.
GOOD EYE...

!!
NOW... SHALL WE TAKE THIS TO THE NEXT PHASE?

WH
MORE IMPRESSIVE DEDUCTIVE SKILLS, MASTER KAKASHI!
AP

IT'S GOT TO TAKE A SERI-OUS AMOUNT OF CHAKRA... TO COMPLETELY CONTROL SEVEN BIJU WITH JUST ONE'S OCULAR POWERS.

BOOM

RAAAWR!

FLOOSH
UNGH!

RAAAWR

THOOM

ARGH!
WHAK
THWAK

KRA
THD
SH
URG!!

WE GOTTA DISTRACT THEM WITH NINE TAILS CHAKRA SHADOW DOPPELGANGERS WHILE WE GO AFTER THIS MASKED GUY...!
GAH!
MUF
SHUP
MUF

UGH...!
TMP
TMP

FFT
UGH.

?

I THOUGHT YOU BUMPED FISTS WITH HIM!
BEE, HAVE YOU STILL NOT NOTICED?

YOU'LL DIE FOR REAL! I MEAN LIKE DEAD, LIKE KILL!
YOU CAN'T MAKE ANY MORE NINE TAILS CHAKRA DOPPEL-GANGERS!

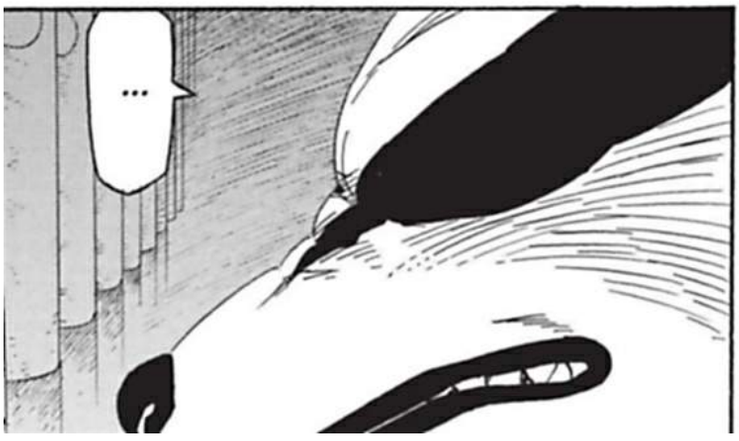
RIGHT... NINE TAILS...?

THAT HE'S NOT MEANS THAT NINE TAILS STOPPED TAKING NARUTO'S CHAKRA A WHILE BACK!
GIVEN THE NUMBER OF DOPPELGANGERS HE'S ALREADY PRODUCED, NARUTO SHOULD HAVE BEEN HALF-DEAD LONG AGO.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU TWO, BUT...

...

BEING WITH A BIJU ISN'T ALL BAD!
HEY!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I'M COMING AFTER ALL THAT HATE INSIDE YOU TOO SOMEDAY!!!
HEY, YA KNOW, NINE TAILS...

DON'T LET THAT STUFF TOUCH YOU, GUY!!
WHA?!
FAWOSH
!!
SH
OOOM
?!!
WAH!!

WH

F

SH

UHGH...!!!

AM

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Akio Shirasaka

BOOM

Number 568: Four Tails, the King of Sage Monkeys

TAK
TAK

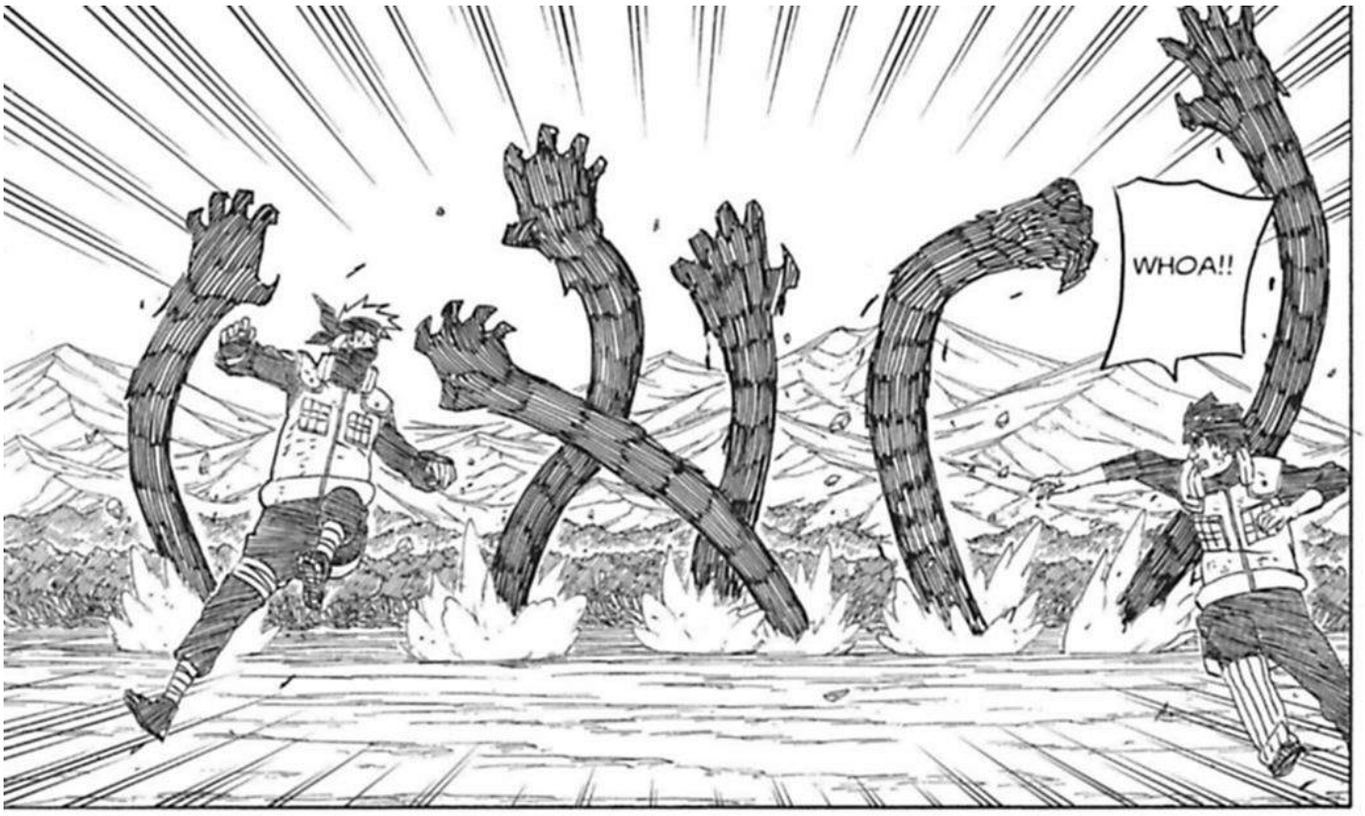
NARUTO!!

GRRR!!

!!

WE'RE BEING BOXED IN!

WE GOTTA HELP HIM!!
WE NEED TO HELP OUR-SELVES FIRST!
GUY, WE'VE GOT OUR OWN PROB-LEMS!!


WHOA!!

ART OF THE SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGER!!
I'M WORRIED ABOUT MY CHAKRA VOLUME... BUT I'VE GOT NO CHOICE!
VSH

IS IT A CORRO-SIVE GAS?!
EVERY TREE WILTED AT ONCE!
!!

SWOO...

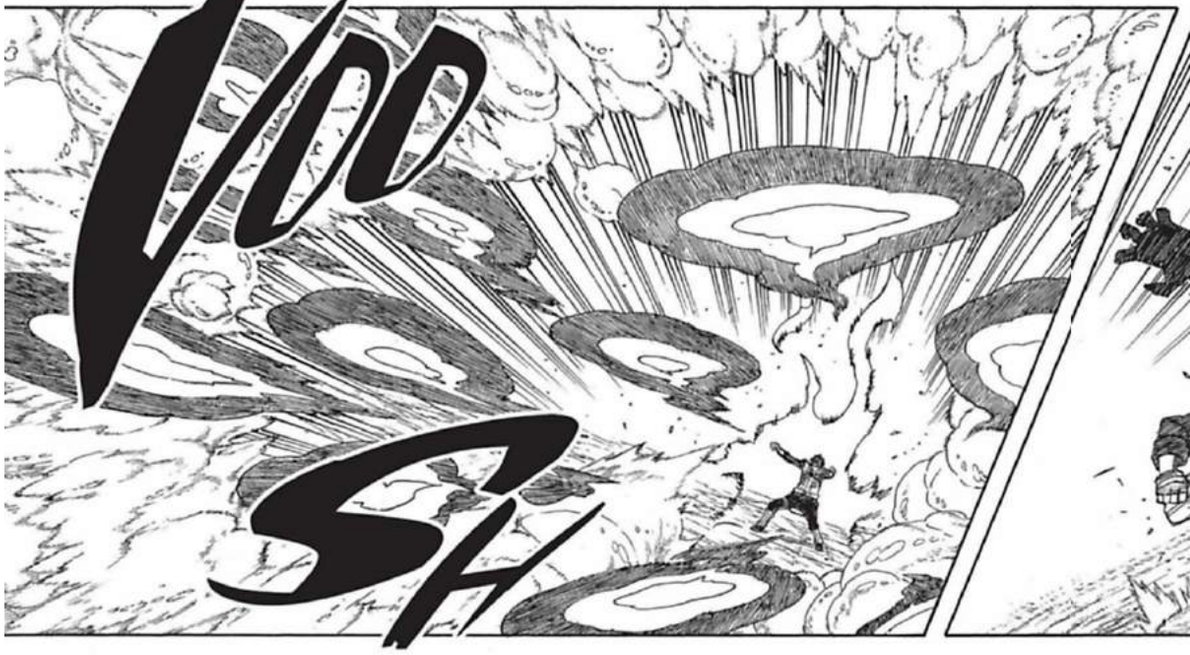
BLOP
BLOP
BLOP

SPROING

NOPE!!
TNK
BOOF
GUY... LET'S JUST GUARD EACH OTHER'S BACK... AND FOCUS ONLY ON WHAT'S IN FRONT OF US...
YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS WITH THAT?!

ASAKUJAKU!!
THD THD THD THD

LIGHTNING CABLE!!
BZZZZZZ


VOO
SH

Z-Z-Z-LASH

OVER HERE TOO!

HERE COMES THE NEXT WAVE.
THUD
SHF

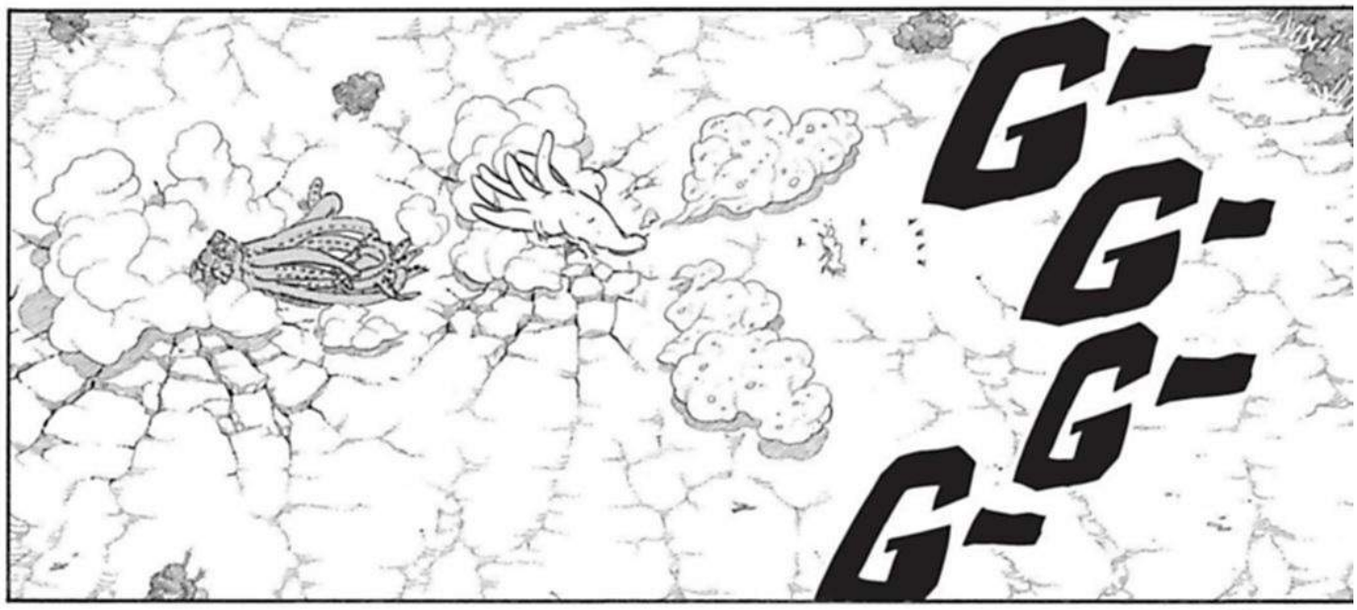
WH
P

LET'S WRAP THIS UP QUICKLY AND GO HELP NARUTO !!

KAK
KAK
UNGG...!

LET NARUTO GO, MONKEY!

Shrrrrrrl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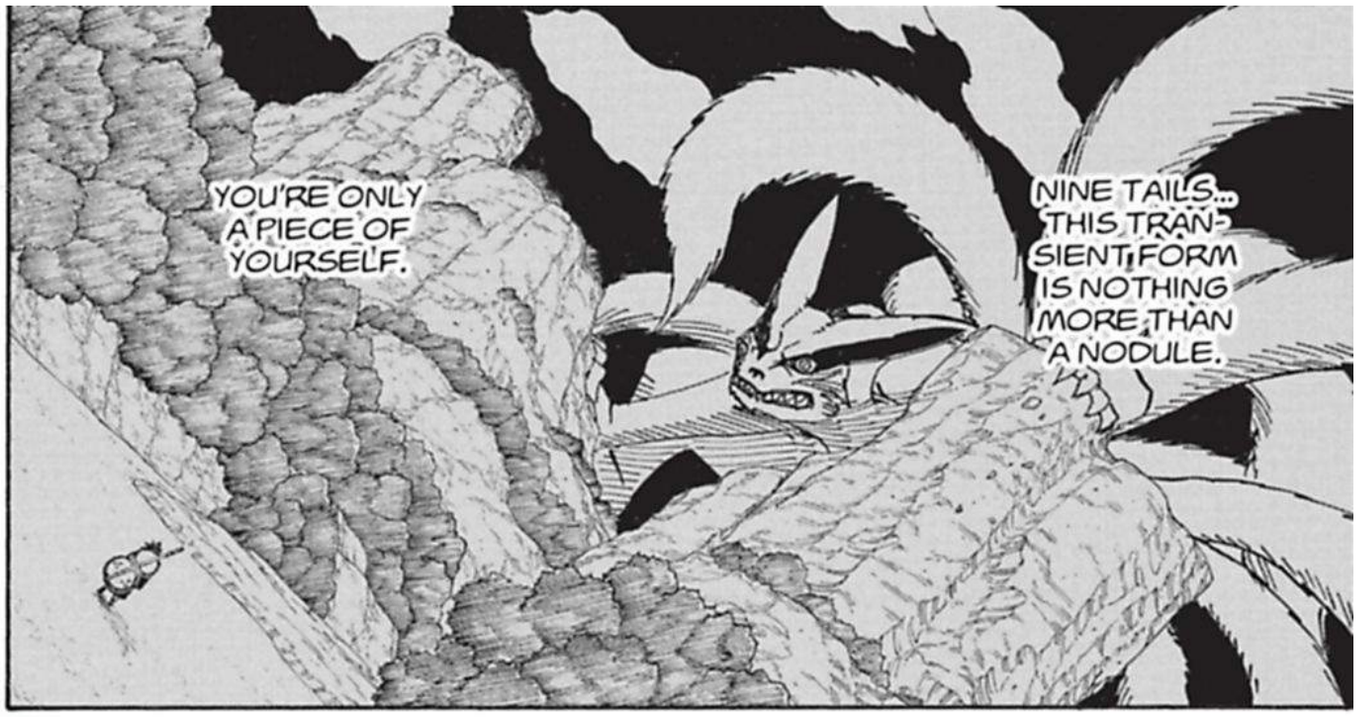
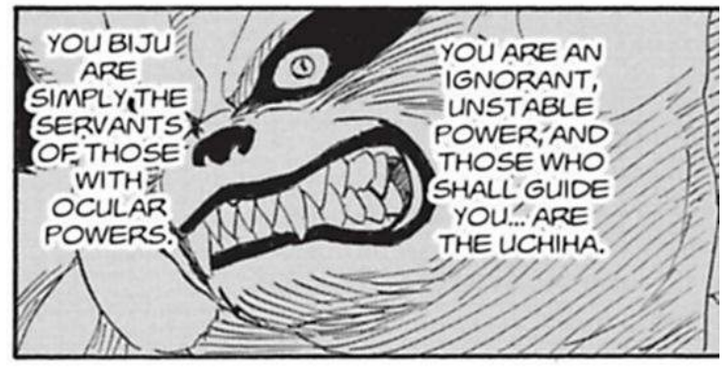
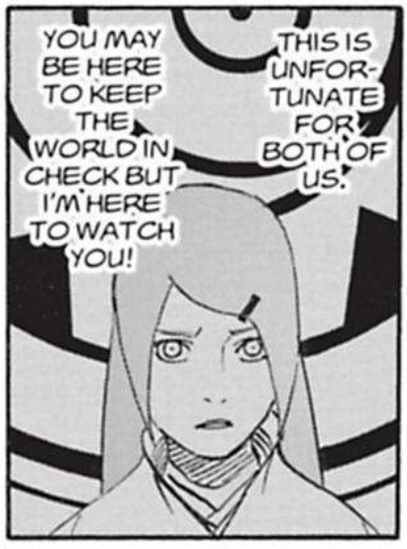
READ THIS WAY
YOU OUGHT TO LEND THIS ONE STRENGTH BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE AS WELL.
...
NINE TAILS... SEEMS YOU'RE HELPING OUT NARUTO'S DOPPEL-GANGER THAT'S FIGHTING THE OTHER MADARA!
I'M NOT LIKE YOU, EIGHT TAILS.
I DON'T KEEP WAGGING MY TAILS AT MY JINCHÛRIKI TIME AFTER TIME...
UGH... URG!
YOU DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS TO NARUTO?!!


YOU'RE ONLY A PIECE OF YOURSELF.
NINE TAILS... THIS TRANSIENT FORM IS NOTHING MORE THAN A NODULE.

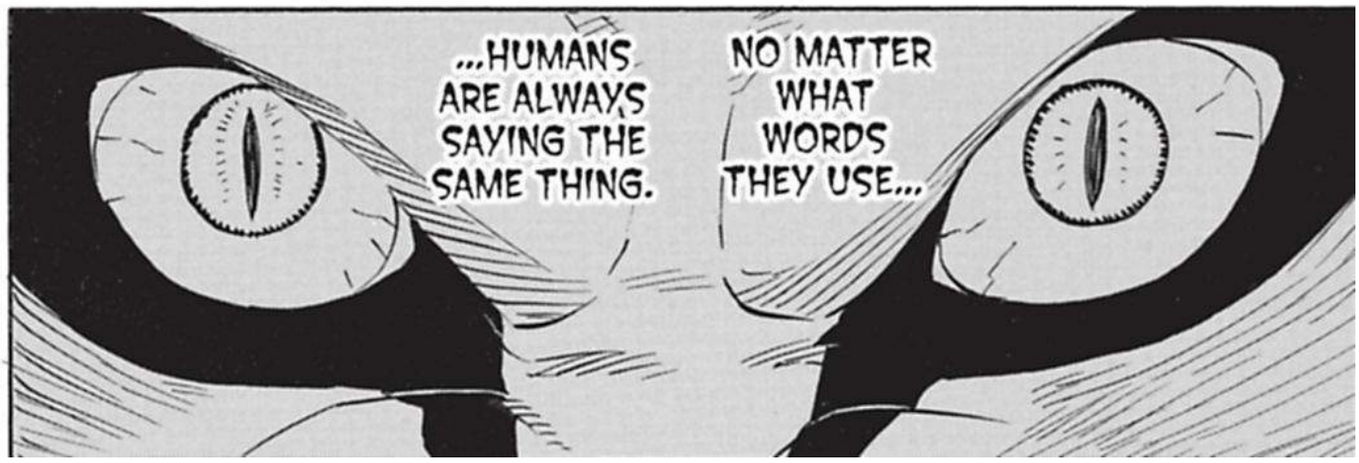
NOW OBEY.


YOU BIJU ARE SIMPLY THE SERVANTS OF THOSE WITH OCULAR POWERS.
YOU ARE AN IGNORANT, UNSTABLE POWER, AND THOSE WHO SHALL GUIDE YOU... ARE THE UCHIHA.

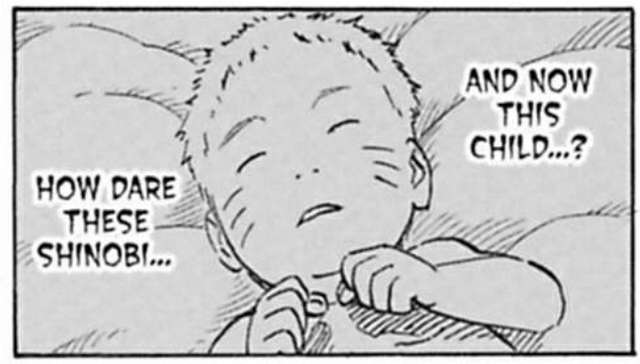

YOU MAY BE HERE TO KEEP THE WORLD IN CHECK BUT I'M HERE TO WATCH YOU!
THIS IS UNFORTUNATE FOR BOTH OF US.

PLEASE STAY QUIET INSIDE OF ME.
WHEN YOU EXERT YOUR POWER, YOU DRAW HATRED TO YOU.

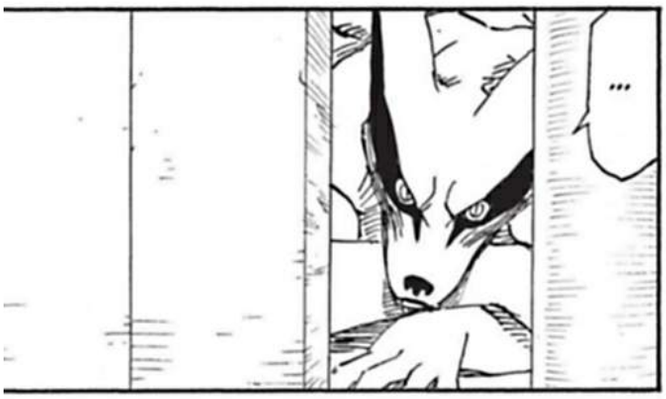
NINE TAILS... YOUR POWER IS TOO GREAT... I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T LET YOU RUN AROUND LOOSE.


...HUMANS ARE ALWAYS SAYING THE SAME THING.
NO MATTER WHAT WORDS THEY USE...

I'M COMING AFTER ALL THAT HATE INSIDE YOU TOO SOMEDAY!!!
HEY, YA KNOW, NINE TAILS.


AND NOW THIS CHILD...?
HOW DARE THESE SHINOBI...

STILL...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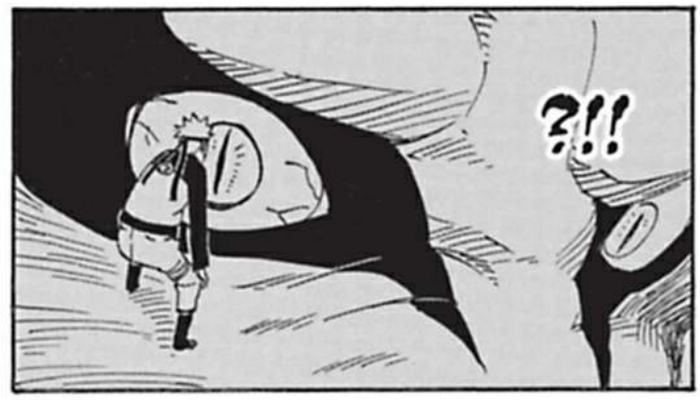
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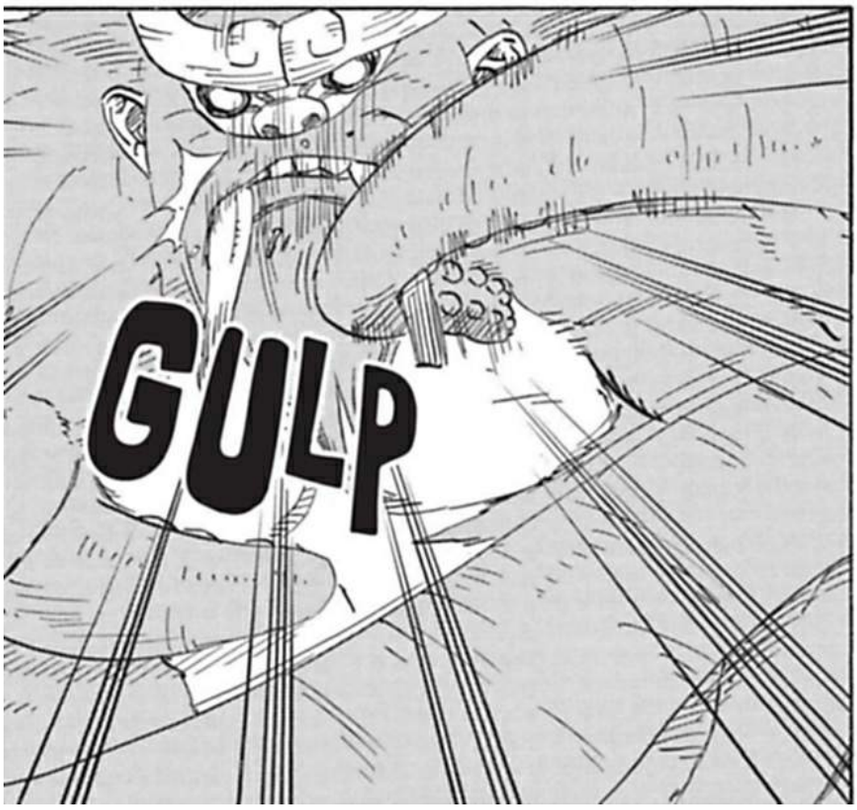

GULP

WAH!!
WHAK
BAM

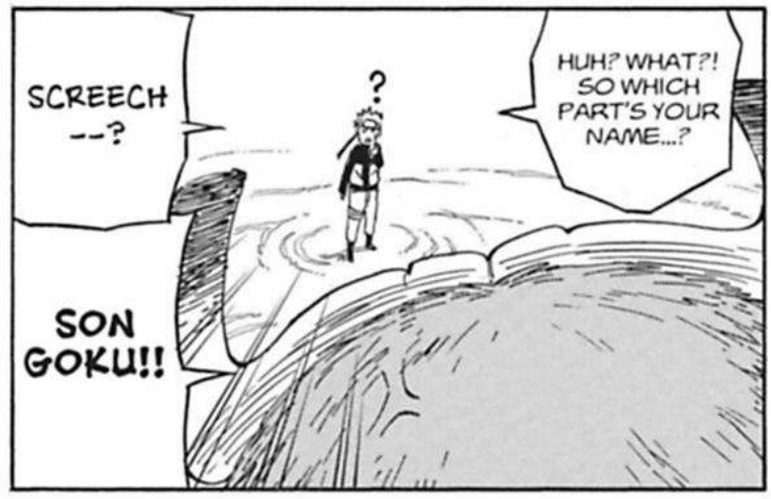
NOW **YOU** WANT TO TAKE MY POWER TOO?

COMING ALL THE WAY IN HERE... OBNOXIOUS SQUIRT!!

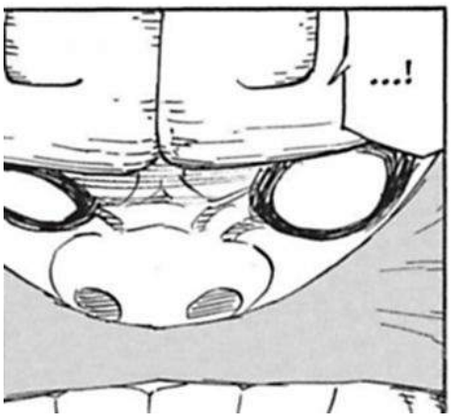
WHAT?!

...THE GREAT MONKEY, EQUAL OF HEAVEN, SON GOKU, SCREECH--!!
I AM THE HAND-SOME MONKEY KING OF SUIRENDO, THE KING OF SAGE MONKEYS, WHO WAS BESTOWED WITH THE PRIESTLY TITLE SON FROM THE SAGE OF SIX PATHS...

CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER NAMES... YOU ALL ARE LESS THAN APES.
HUMPH... YOU HUMANS ARE ALL STUPID.

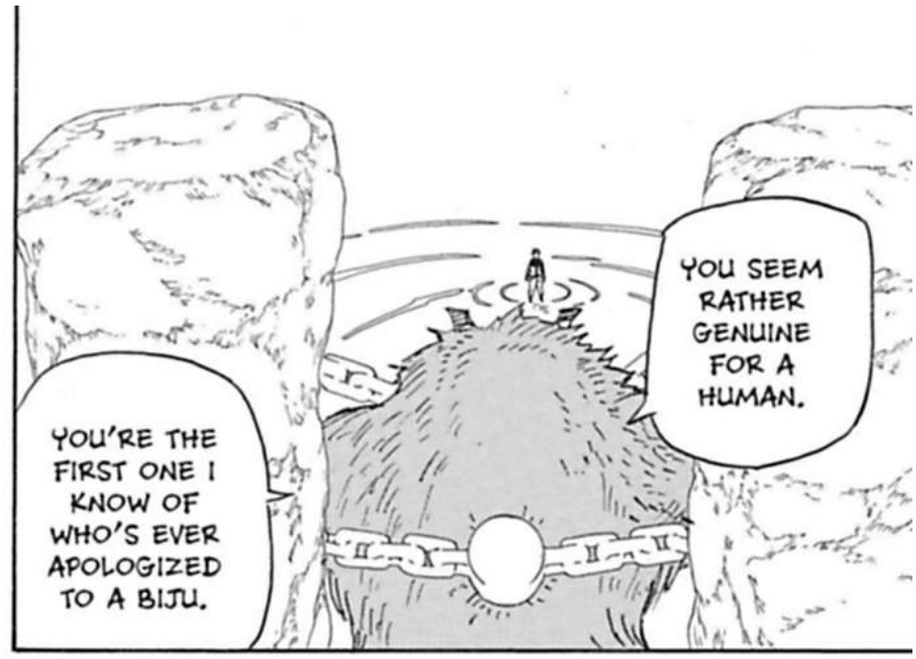

SCREECH --?
SON GOKU!!
?
HUH? WHAT?! SO WHICH PART'S YOUR NAME...?

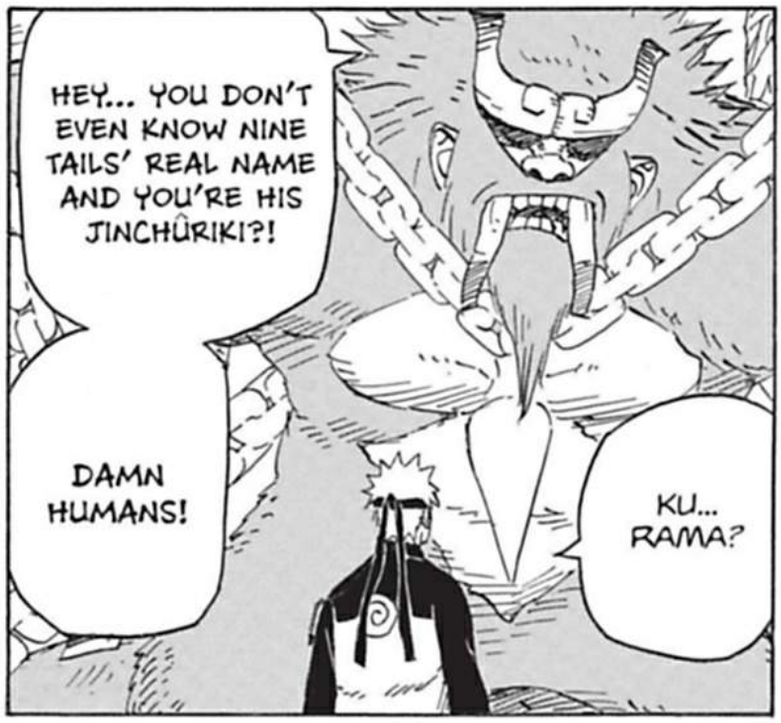
OH...! S-SORRY...
HUH?


...!

DO YOU NOT PAY ATTEN-TION?!!
THIS IS LIKE WHERE NINE TAILS LIVES!
...UH... SOOOOOO WHERE ARE WE?!
I REALLY DON'T WANT... TO GIVE MY POWER TO THE LIKES OF SUCH--
HOW DARE YOU IGNORE ME! YOU ARE JUST TOO RUDE!!

SO YOU DID NOT COME HERE TO ASSAIL ME FOR MY STRENGTH...


YOU'RE THE FIRST ONE I KNOW OF WHO'S EVER APOLOGIZED TO A BIJU.
YOU SEEM RATHER GENUINE FOR A HUMAN.


HEY... YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW NINE TAILS' REAL NAME AND YOU'RE HIS JINCHÛRIKI?!
DAMN HUMANS!
KU... RAMA?

THAT'S HOW YOU GOT IN.
IN FACT... YOU'RE A JINCHÛRIKI, AREN'T YOU!
KURAMA'S TRAINED YOU WELL.

KURAMA?
WOW...

GAH...

NINE TAILS HAS A NAME TOO?!!
HUH?!

YOU IMPRISON AND DENY OUR STATUS.

...

...!

YOU DON'T EVEN CARE IF WE HAVE NAMES. THERE'S NO RESPECT.

YOU HUMANS ONLY SEE US AS SOURCES OF GREAT POWER.

DON'T MIND HIM... JUST WALK ON PAST.

LOOK... IT'S THAT CHILD.

YOU DON'T NEED TO KNOW.

WHO'S HE?

...

...HUH?

I USED TO HAVE TO TRICK PEOPLE, TO MISBEHAVE, JUST TO GET ANYONE TO NOTICE ME.

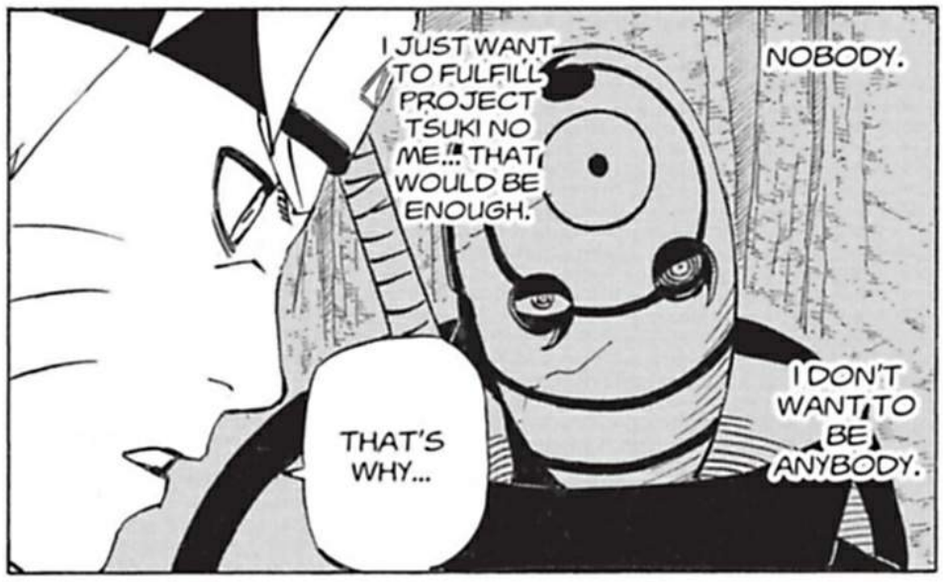
I MAY NOT BE THE SAME AS YOU, BUT I THINK I UNDER-STAND HOW YOU FEEL..

IMP!!

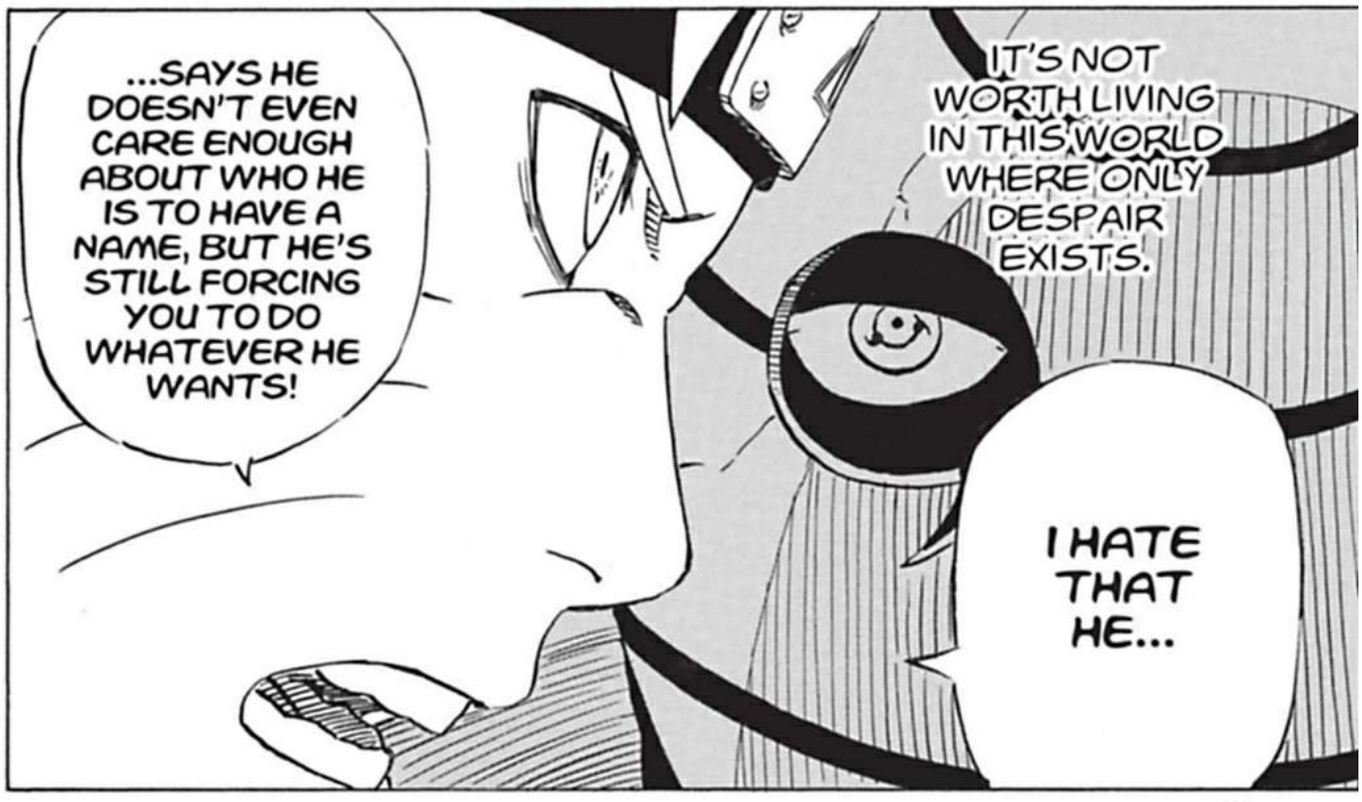
BLEH

BUT I'VE GOT A NAME TOO! NARUTO!
I'M A JINCHŪRIKI.
IT'S FROM MY PARENTS...AND MY MASTER!

I DID WHATEVER I COULD TO GET PEOPLE'S ATTENTION, EVEN BAD THINGS.
CUZ IT WAS BETTER THAN BEING INVISIBLE.


I JUST WANT TO FULFILL PROJECT TSUKI NO ME... THAT WOULD BE ENOUGH.
NOBODY.
THAT'S WHY...
I DON'T WANT TO BE ANYBODY.

...


...SAYS HE DOESN'T EVEN CARE ENOUGH ABOUT WHO HE IS TO HAVE A NAME, BUT HE'S STILL FORCING YOU TO DO WHATEVER HE WANTS!
IT'S NOT WORTH LIVING IN THIS WORLD WHERE ONLY DESPAIR EXISTS.
I HATE THAT HE...

I WANT TO BE LIKE OCTOPOPS AND EIGHT TAILS...

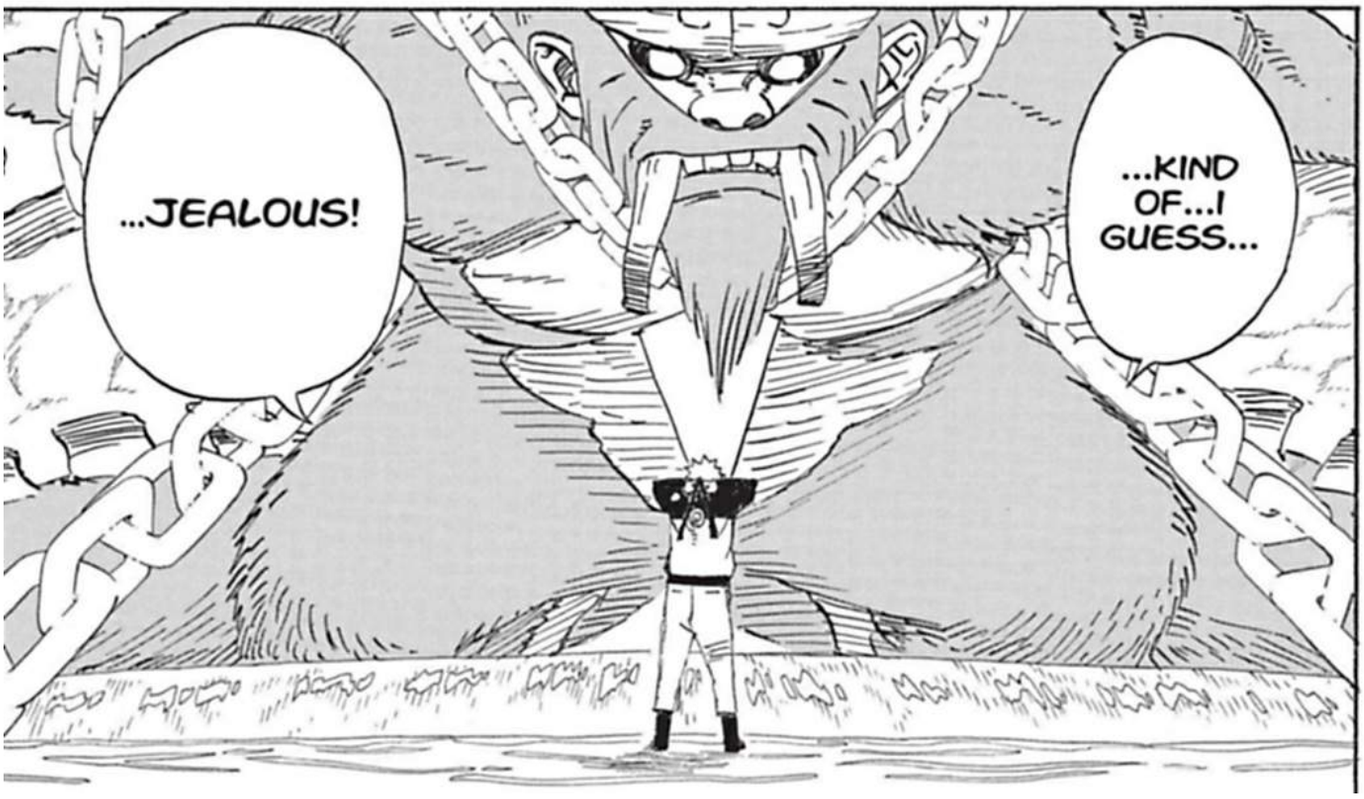
...

SO THEN... WHAT WOULD YOU WANT TO DO WITH US?
...

?

THEY'RE FRIENDS!
IT MAKES ME...
THEY JOKE, FIGHT, PLAY!
I WANT TO BE LIKE THAT!

HUH?


...JEALOUS!
...KIND OF...I GUESS...

YOU, A HUMAN, TRULY WANT TO BE FRIENDS WITH BIJU?!

GWA-HA HA HA!!

!

HA HA HA...

...

THIS LITTLE ONE...

...

HE'S DEAD SERIOUS...

...UM...
SO I WANNA HELP YOU TOO...
...
AT LEAST HE'S BETTER THAN THE ONE IN THE MASK.
SO... I ATE YOU... WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO NOW?!
OH YEAH!! WHAT DO I DO?!
!!
JUST CALL ME SON...
SIGH...

SON!!
!

UNDO THESE CHAINS AND YOU'LL SEE.
THERE IS A WAY TO STOP ME.

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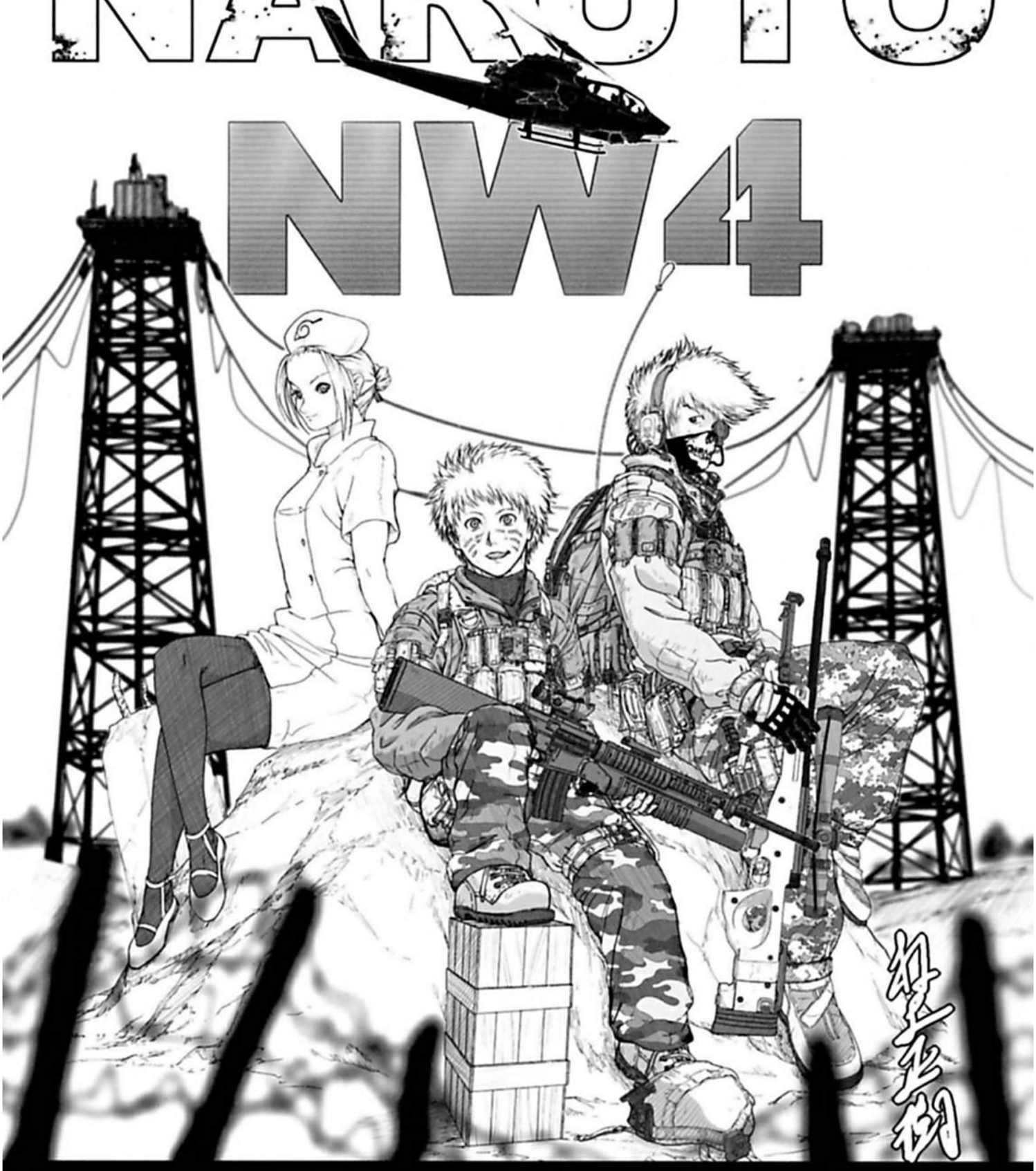
NARUTO NW4



Masaki Murakami

Number 569: Proof of Will!
FIRST, JUST ONE THING...
YOU HAVE TO TELL ME HOW TO STOP YOU!!

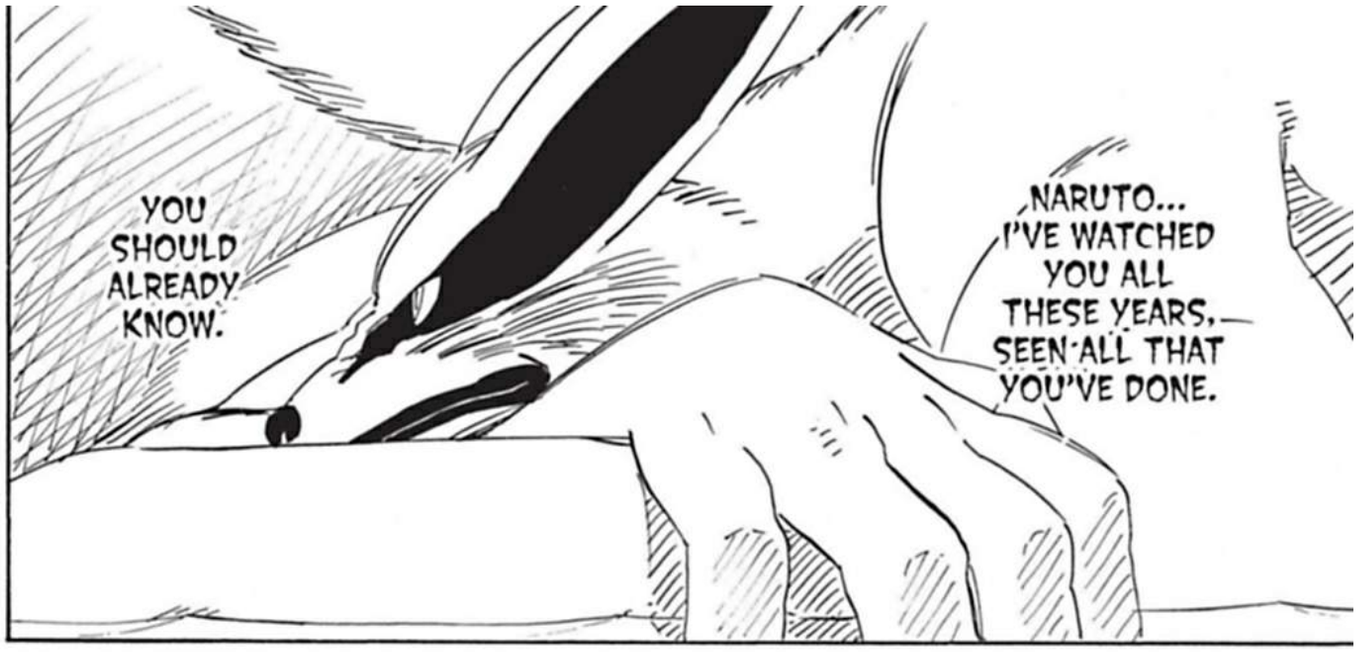
YOU REALLY THINK THAT EVEN IF YOU SET ME FREE I WILL BE YOUR ALLY?

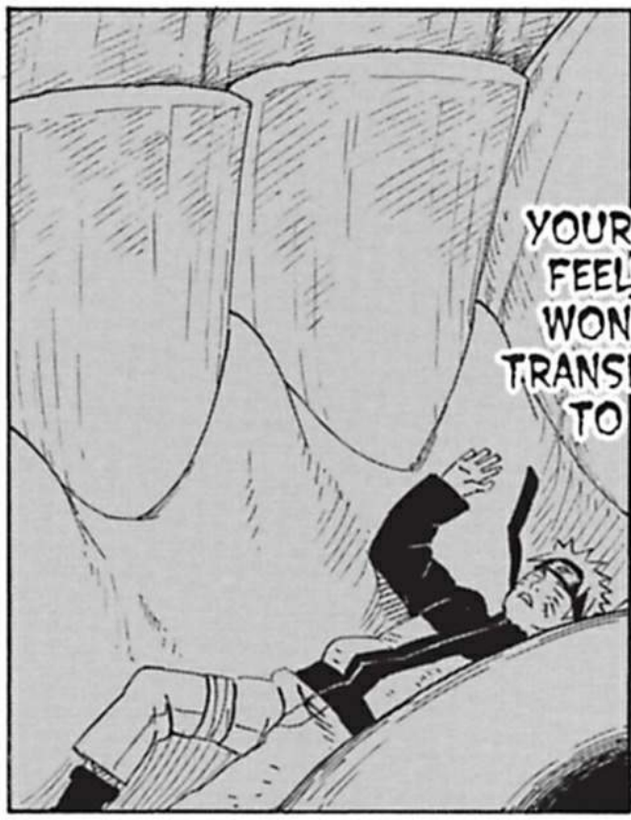
AND I TRUST FOOLS WHO SAY THEY WANT TO BE FRIENDS WITH BIJU EVEN LESS.
I DON'T TRUST JINCHÛRIKI HUMANS ON PRINCIPLE.

?

ZING

I KINDA HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT I NEED TO DO, ANYWAYS!
WHATEVER!
IF YOU WANT ME TO TRUST YOU...


YOU SHOULD ALREADY KNOW.
NARUTO... I'VE WATCHED YOU ALL THESE YEARS, SEEN ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE.


YOUR TRUE FEELINGS WON'T BE TRANSMITTED TO US.

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOU TRY TO TELL A BIJU.

I'LL JUST SUCK YOU INSIDE OF ME, FOUR TAILS AND ALL.
GOTCHA... NINE TAILS.

SWOO...

BLINK

OPEN YOUR TRAP! GET OUT OF THERE, NARUTO!!
G-G-G-
EEE

BZP
BZP

WWWW

HMM
UHH... UHH, I NEED TO MAKE HIM SPIT ME OUT...
...

VOMIT → OVEREATING

AT THIS RATE, I'M DONE FOR...!
CAN'T BUDGE IT AT ALL!
HUF
SSH...

UNGGGGGGGH!!

!!

ART OF THE MULTIPLE SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGERS !!!

POOF

GAA

ALK

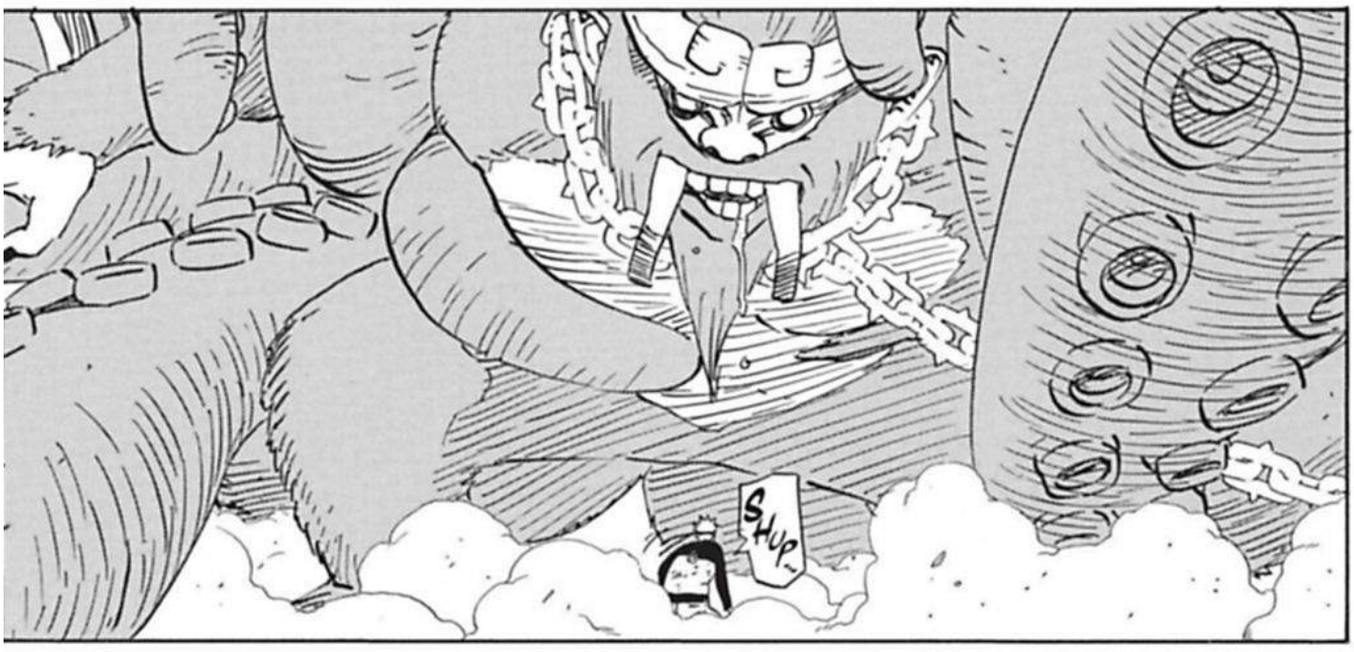
BAAAARF!!

ULP...

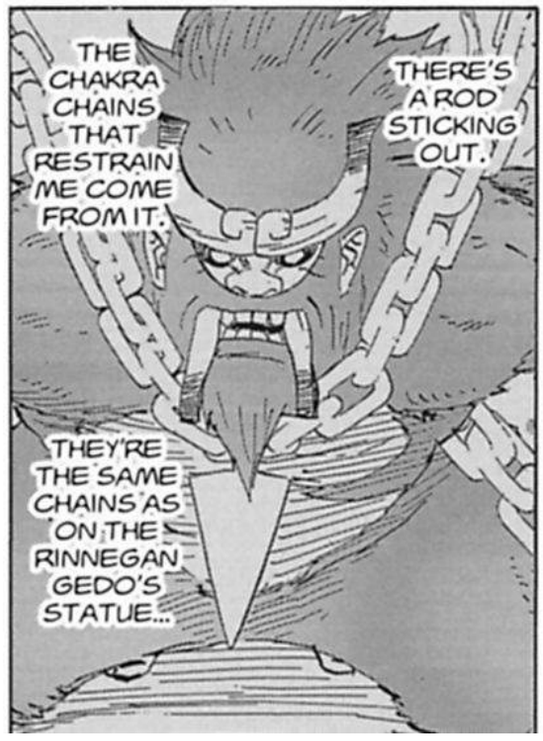
?!

EXCELLENT FEAT, WHAT NICE ACTION ♪
AS USUAL, NARUTO EMERGES IN UNEXPECTED FASHION ♪

THD THD THD
BOOF
BOOF
BOOF
WAH !!
ARGH !!


SHUP

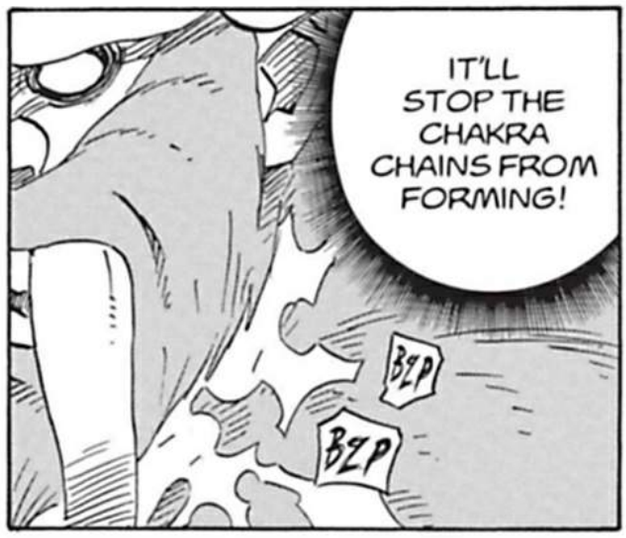
IT'S NOT ON YOUR CHEST? THAT'S WHERE IT WAS WHEN YOU WERE IN JINCHŪRIKI FORM, YA KNOW?!

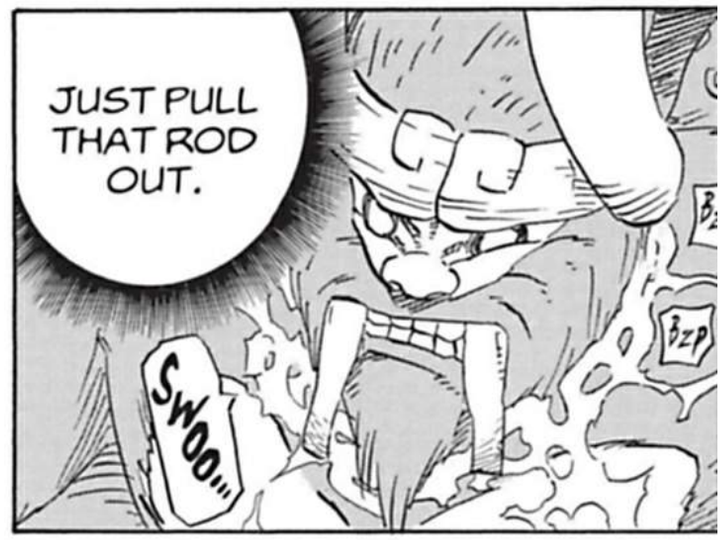

THE CHAKRA CHAINS THAT RESTRAIN ME COME FROM IT.
THERE'S A ROD STICKING OUT.
THEY'RE THE SAME CHAINS AS ON THE RINNEGAN GEDO'S STATUE...

LISTEN UP! LOOK CAREFULLY AROUND THE BASE OF MY NECK!

YOU JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN TO GIVE UP, DO YOU.

PLUS, SINCE WE'RE BIGGER, THEY ALSO BECOME HARDER TO FIND.
BECAUSE WE EXPAND IN SIZE WHEN WE UNDERGO BIJU TRANSFORMATION, THE RODS MIGRATE TO THE BASE OF OUR NECKS!


IT'LL STOP THE CHAKRA CHAINS FROM FORMING!
BZP
BZP


JUST PULL THAT ROD OUT.
SWOO...
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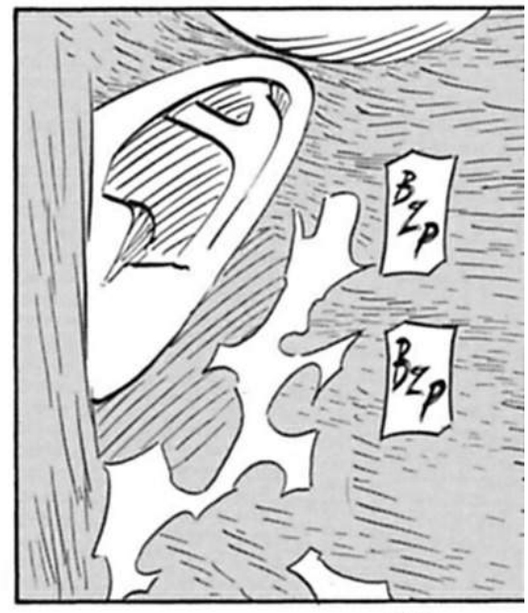
HMM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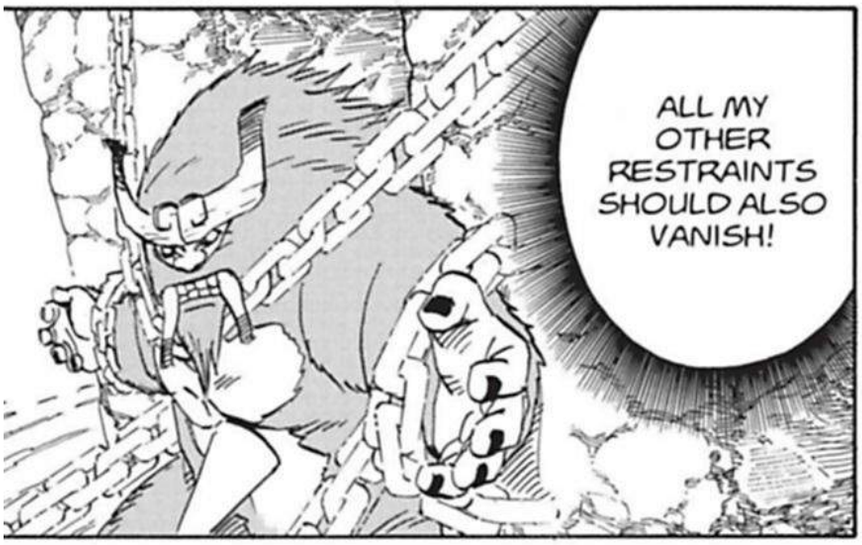
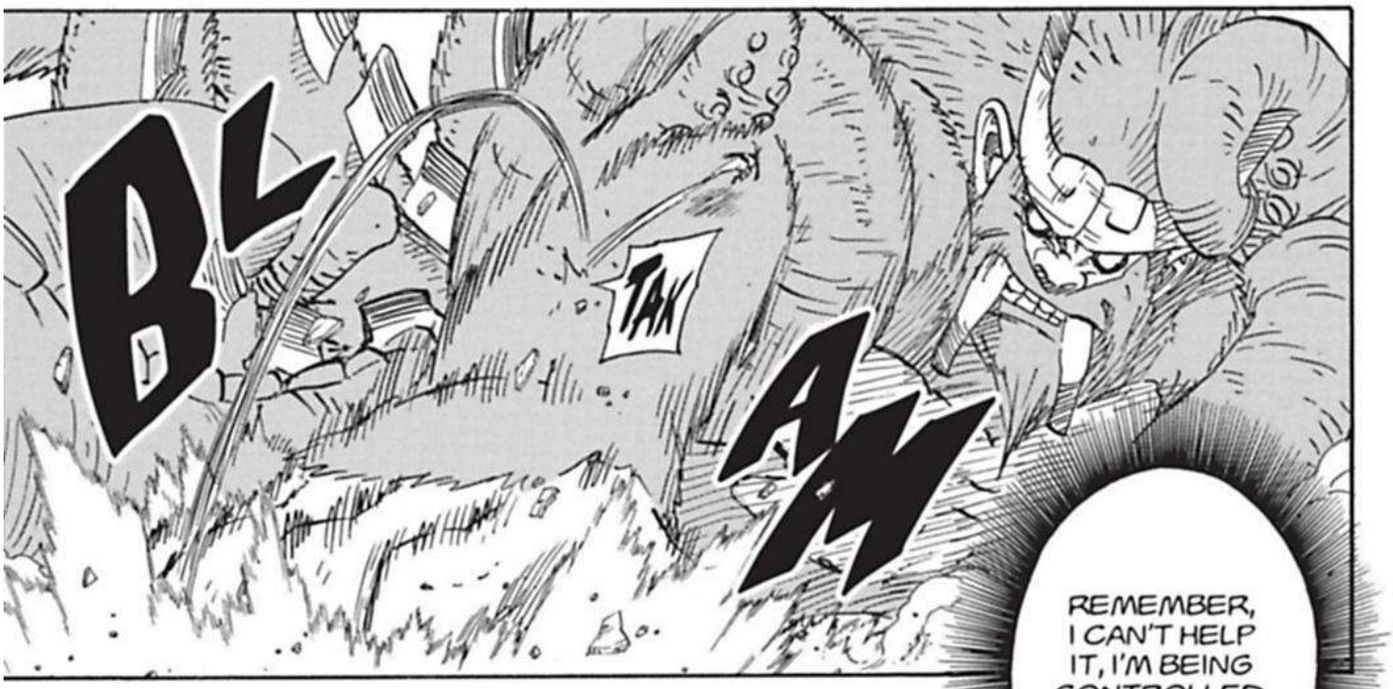

ALL MY OTHER RESTRAINTS SHOULD ALSO VANISH!

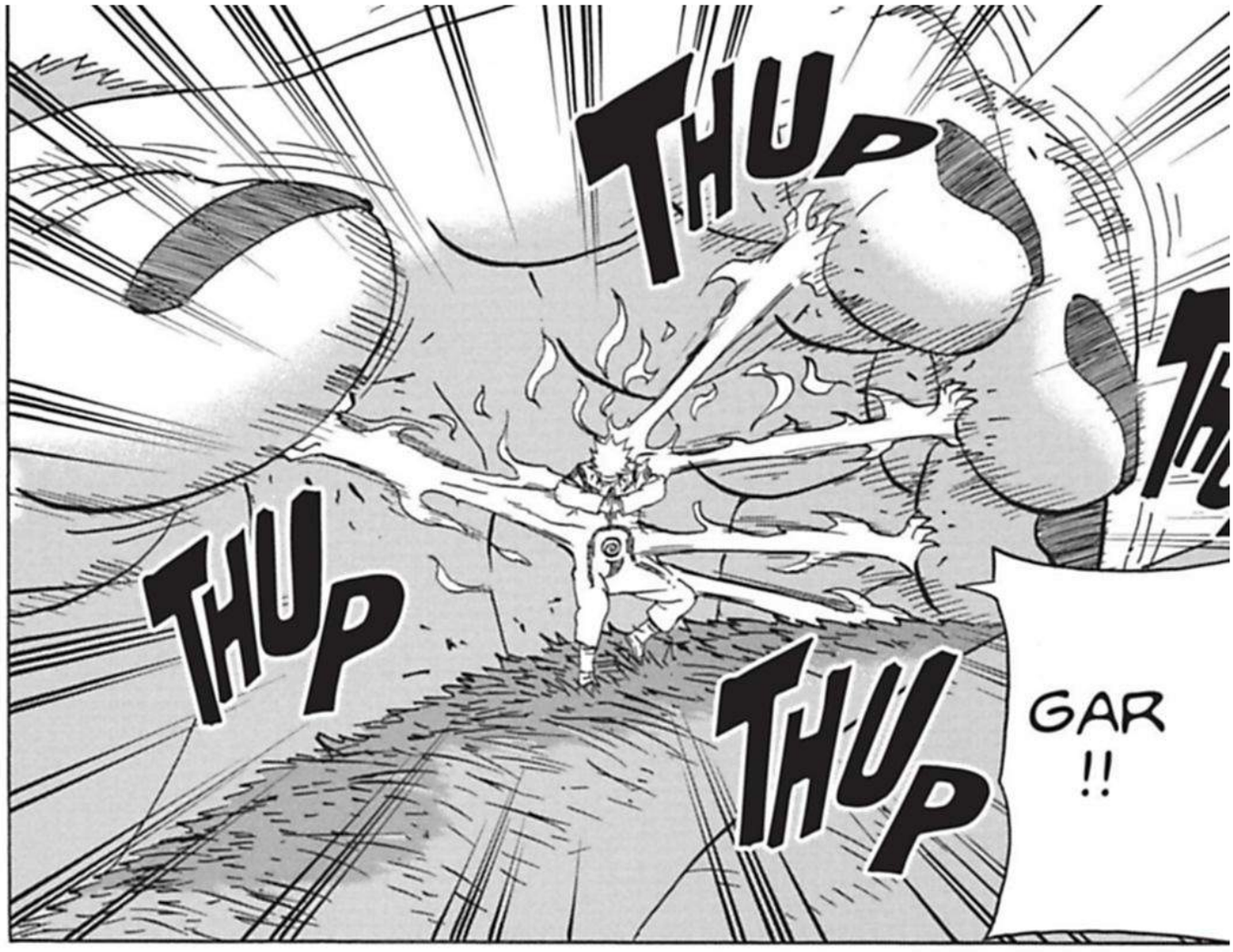
FOUND IT!!
YEAH!


BL
TAK
AM
REMEMBER, I CAN'T HELP IT, I'M BEING CONTROLLED. I WILL ATTACK YOU!

?!

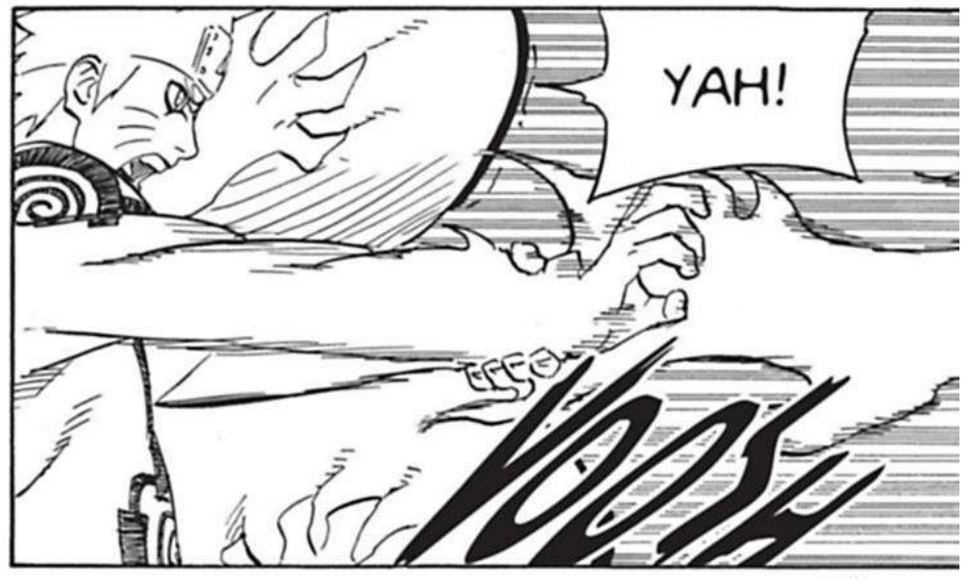
TRY TO NOT KILL ME!

NOTHING PERSONAL, YA KNOW?!
OH, I KNOW. I MIGHT HAVE TO GET ROUGH!


THUP
THUP
THUP
GAR !!

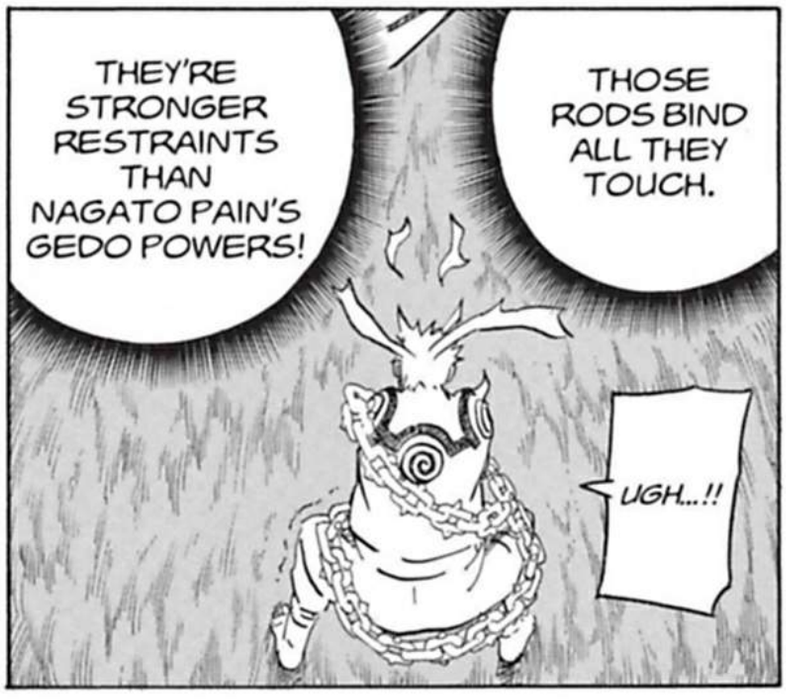
I'M GONNA PUSH IT TO THE MAX THOUGH!
I CAN'T KEEP THIS MODE UP FOR TOO LONG.

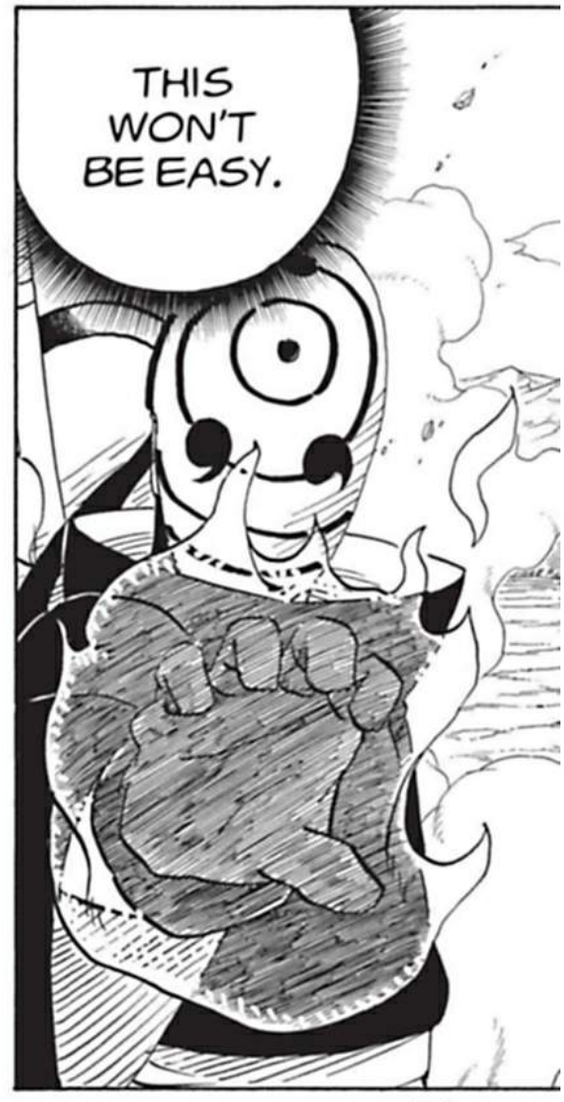
WHUMP


YAH!
WOOSH

FOOSH
CHA K
KLOMP
GOTCHA !!
AH, NARUTO...
ZWOO...
HERE WE GO!!
YOUUU !!!
HOOOF

SHWRRRL
?!!
WAH!!


THEY'RE STRONGER RESTRAINTS THAN NAGATO PAIN'S GEDO POWERS!
THOSE RODS BIND ALL THEY TOUCH.
UGH...!!


THIS WON'T BE EASY.

NARUTO !!

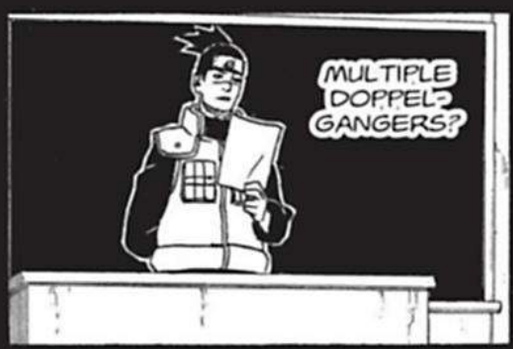
IN THE END, IT'S ALWAYS THE SAME...
GRRR...

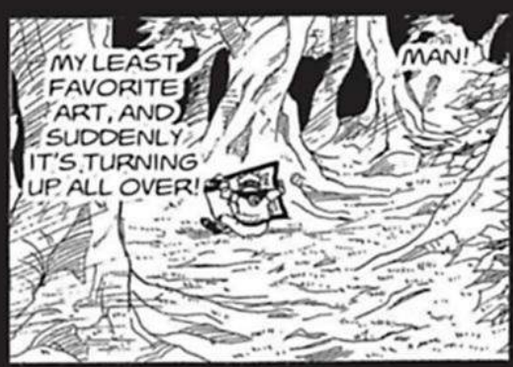
AND WHEN THAT DAY COMES, EVERYONE IN TOWN WILL HAVE TO GIVE ME SOME RESPECT AT LAST!

BECAUSE ONE OF THESE DAYS, THEY'LL BE CALLING ME LORD HOKAGE!
I'M GOING TO SURPASS EVERY ONE WHO CAME BEFORE ME!

JUST YOU WAIT!!
I'M GONNA RECEIVE THE TITLE HOKAGE!!

DOPPELGANGER!
JANG
!!!
ART OF THE


MULTIPLE DOPPEL-GANGERS?


MY LEAST FAVORITE ART, AND SUDDENLY IT'S TURNING UP ALL OVER!
MAN!

THAT THERE ARE STILL HEROES IN THE WORLD!!
I'M GOING TO SHOW INARI...!

THERE'S NO SUCH THING!
"HERO"? YOU'RE DUMB.

HA HA HA...

IT'S BEING A HERO, Y'KNOW? ALL THAT NICK OF TIME STUFF!
SORRY I'M LATE.

YOU CAN'T GET THERE BY TRYING... YOU HAVE TO BE PRE-SELECTED.
THOSE WHO WILL BECOME HOKAGE ARE BORN WITH THAT FATE.

I VOW... TO WIN!!

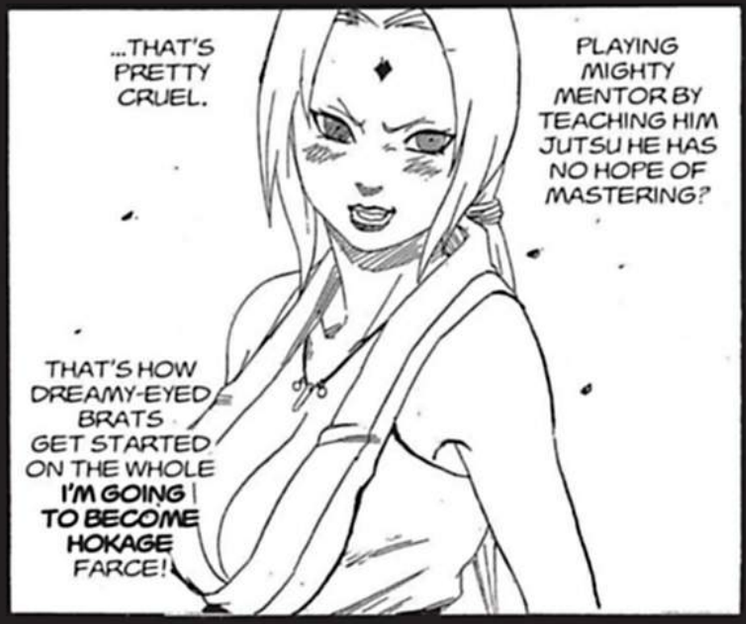
POW

I WON'T RUN AWAY...
I NEVER... GO BACK ON MY WORD...

WELL...? ARE YOU ALL TALK, OR ARE YOU GOING TO TRY TO PROVE YOUR POINT?

SURE! I'LL PROVE IT TO YOU!
BY KICKING YOUR BUTT!

THAT'S WHY THEY GO ON ABOUT THEIR STUPID DREAMS. WHY THEY DON'T GIVE UP... AND THEN THEY DIE.
KIDS THINK EVERYTHING IS EASY...


...THAT'S PRETTY CRUEL.
PLAYING MIGHTY MENTOR BY TEACHING HIM JUTSU HE HAS NO HOPE OF MASTERING?
THAT'S HOW DREAMY-EYED BRATS GET STARTED ON THE WHOLE I'M GOING TO BECOME HOKAGE FARCE!

RASENGAN!

THERE'S NO WAY I'M GONNA DIE!!
UNTIL I BECOME A HOKAGE...

...TRYING TO MAKE ME GIVE UP!!!!

GIVE UP...

HUF
YOU WITH NO ANSWERS! NO SOLUTIONS...!
TIME TO GIVE IT UP!!

UNF
GOOD JOB...

WHAA
RASENGAN!!!

NARUTO!
THANKS!
GLAD YOU MADE IT BACK!
WE KNEW YOU COULD DO IT!
YOU'RE A HERO, NARUTO!
WELCOME HOME!!

I'M COMING AFTER ALL THAT HATE INSIDE YOU TOO SOMEDAY!!
HEY, YA KNOW, NINE TAILS.
ZING

...

THEN JUST DO AS YOU'VE ALWAYS DONE...

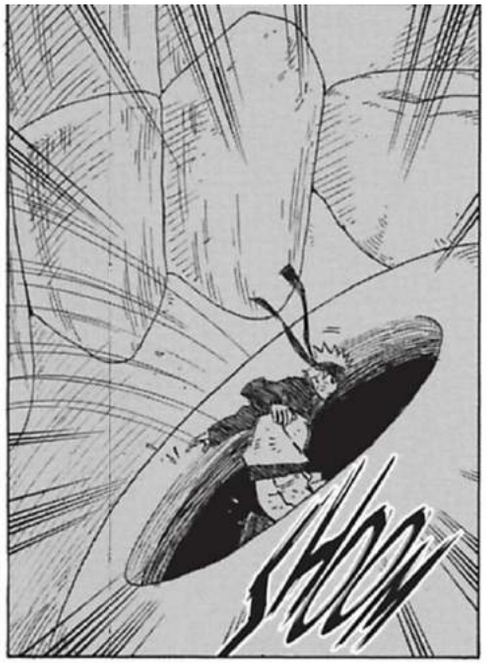
...AND TRULY WISH TO DO SOMETHING FOR US BIJU...
NARUTO... IF YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY SERIOUS...

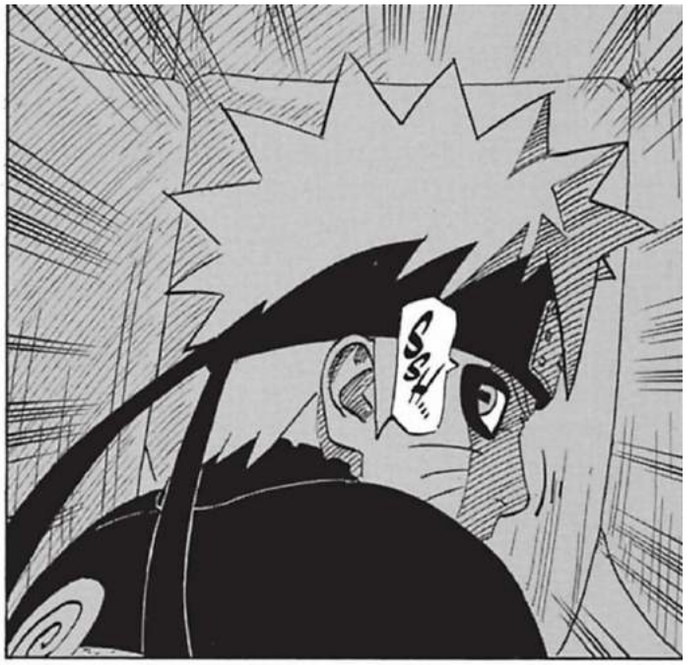
...HELP YOU TOO...
SO I WANNA...

RRRRRRRR

HOPE YOU CAN SENSE THIS OKAY...
UNNNH ...

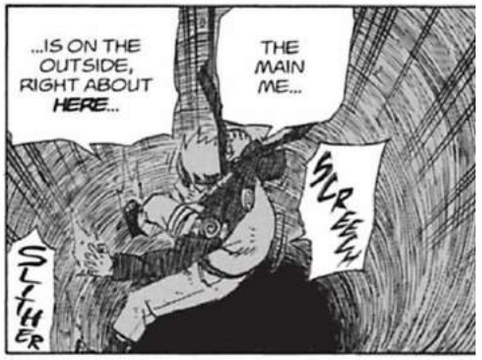
UNGH ...
!!


SHOW


SSH

THAT'S WHO YOU ARE!!!
WHAM
FROG SLAP!!

...PROVE IT THROUGH YOUR ACTIONS!!


...IS ON THE OUTSIDE, RIGHT ABOUT HERE...
THE MAIN ME...
SLREEH
SLITHER

I'M GONNA SHOVE THE ROD OUT FROM THE INSIDE!
I DID WARN YOU EARLIER THAT I MIGHT HAVE TO GET ROUGH. HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND...
FSH

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ロック・リーの青春フルパワー忍伝 • 平 健史
Rock Lee and his Ninja Pals Kenji Taira

Number 570: Kurama!!

THAT'S THE NARUTO I KNOW!!
SHUP
THAT'S RIGHT...

HAH!!

VWWT

TOSS

THOOM
SHIINGG!

BO
OF

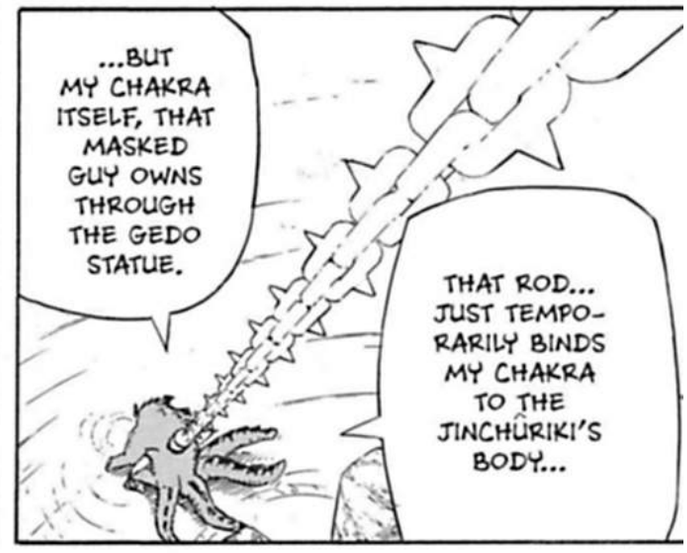
...!
FWP

READ THIS WAY
KRAKK
RASENGAN!!
THD
WAH!
GOF...
ZWOOO...
HEY, WHY DIDN'T YOUR CHAIN DISAPPEAR?!
MUF
MUF
WHEEZE
YOU DID IT! NICE WORK.
!
MUF
MUF

BUT WHY?! I TOOK OUT THE ROD JUST LIKE YOU TOLD ME!!!
HEH... I GUESS THIS CHAIN THROUGH MY BELLY WON'T GO AWAY...

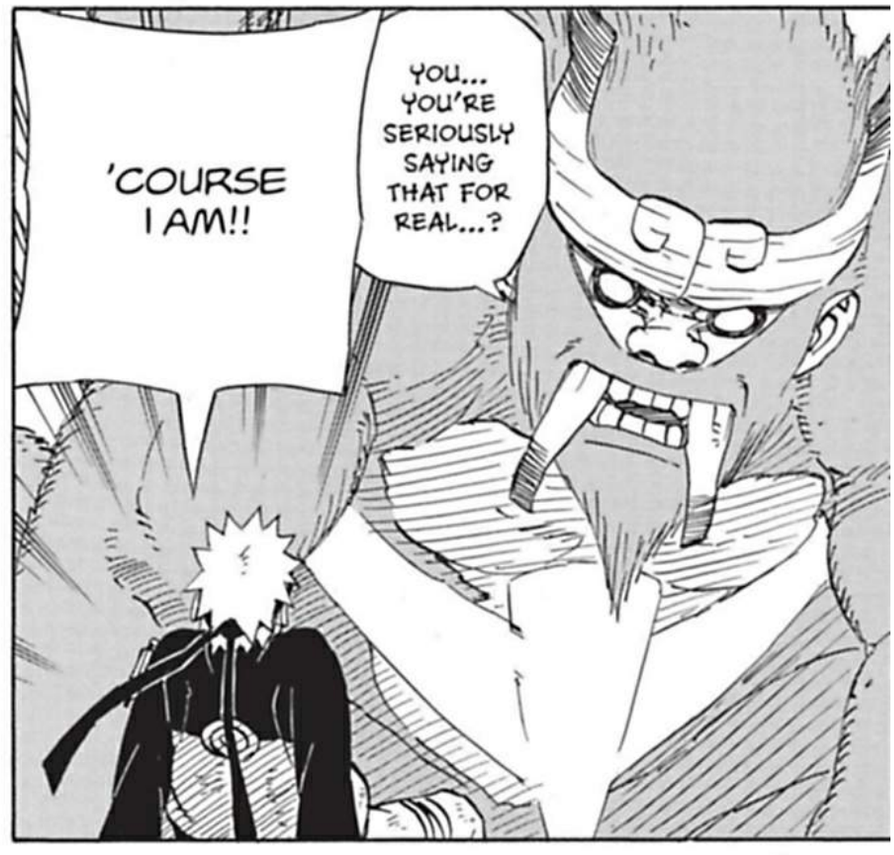
...

THEN I DIDN'T END UP HELPING YOU, AFTER ALL!
YOU KNEW ALREADY ?!
HUF
HUF


...BUT MY CHAKRA ITSELF, THAT MASKED GUY OWNS THROUGH THE GEDO STATUE.
THAT ROD... JUST TEMPORARILY BINDS MY CHAKRA TO THE JINCHÛRIKI'S BODY...

HUF
HUF
HUF

HE REALLY IS...! SERIOUS...
THIS KID...


YOU... YOU'RE SERIOUSLY SAYING THAT FOR REAL...?
'COURSE I AM!!

HOW?! HOW DO I DO IT?!
WHEEZE
HUF
YOU SHOULD HAVE STARTED WITH THAT!!
HUF
HUF

I ONLY TOLD YOU HOW TO STOP ME...
...I DIDN'T TELL YOU HOW TO SAVE ME.

HM...? YOU'RE GONNA GIVE ME SOME-THING?
?
HUF
HUF
FISH
HUF

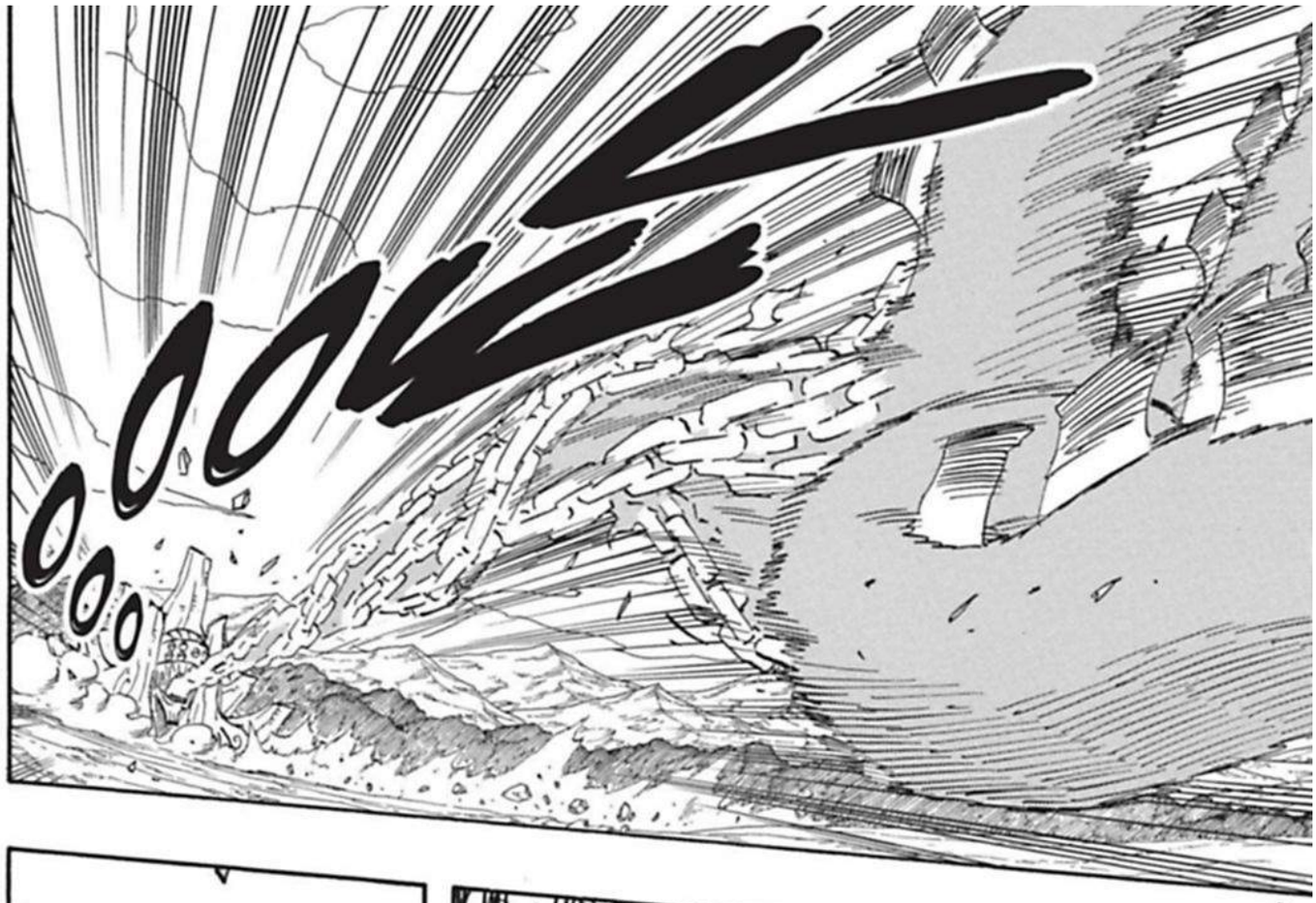
PUT YOUR HAND OUT...

WHAT ?
?!
...FIRST, THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO PASS ON TO YOU.

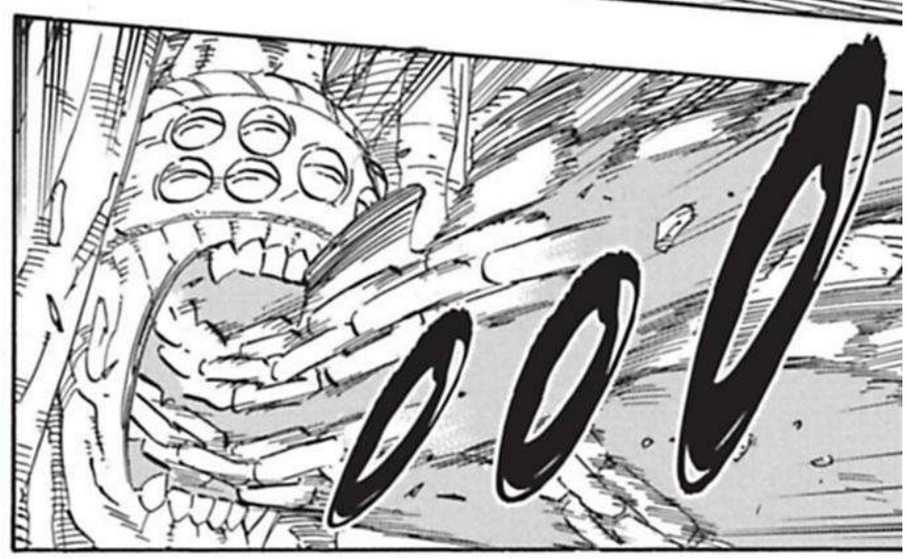
HUF
...

LL
NG

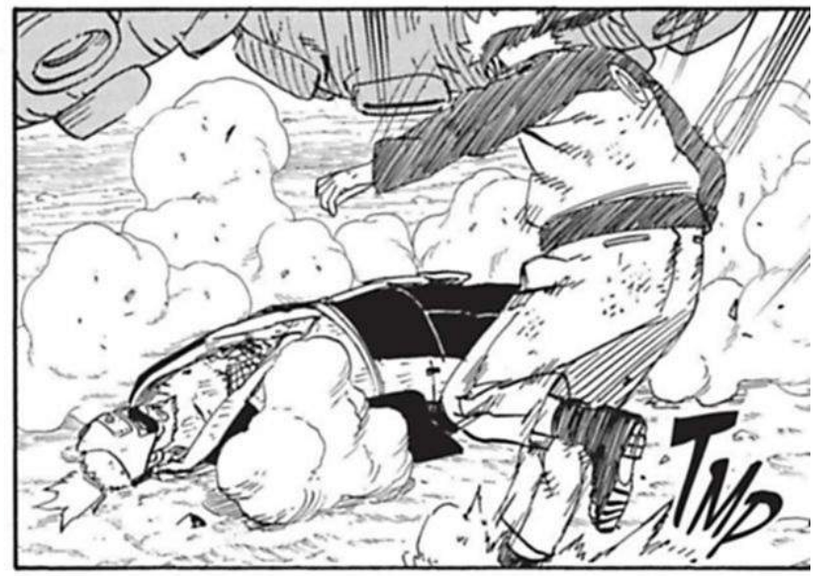
IT'S SOME-THING GOOD... IT'LL COME IN HANDY ONE OF THESE DAYS.
BUMP



HE STILL BELONGS TO HIM!
THE STATUE REABSORBED FOUR TAILS!



HUF
HUF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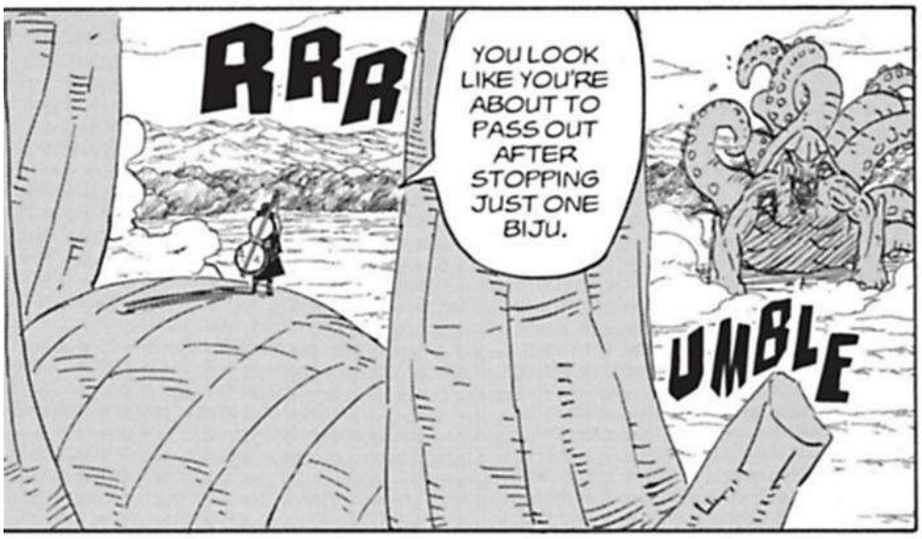
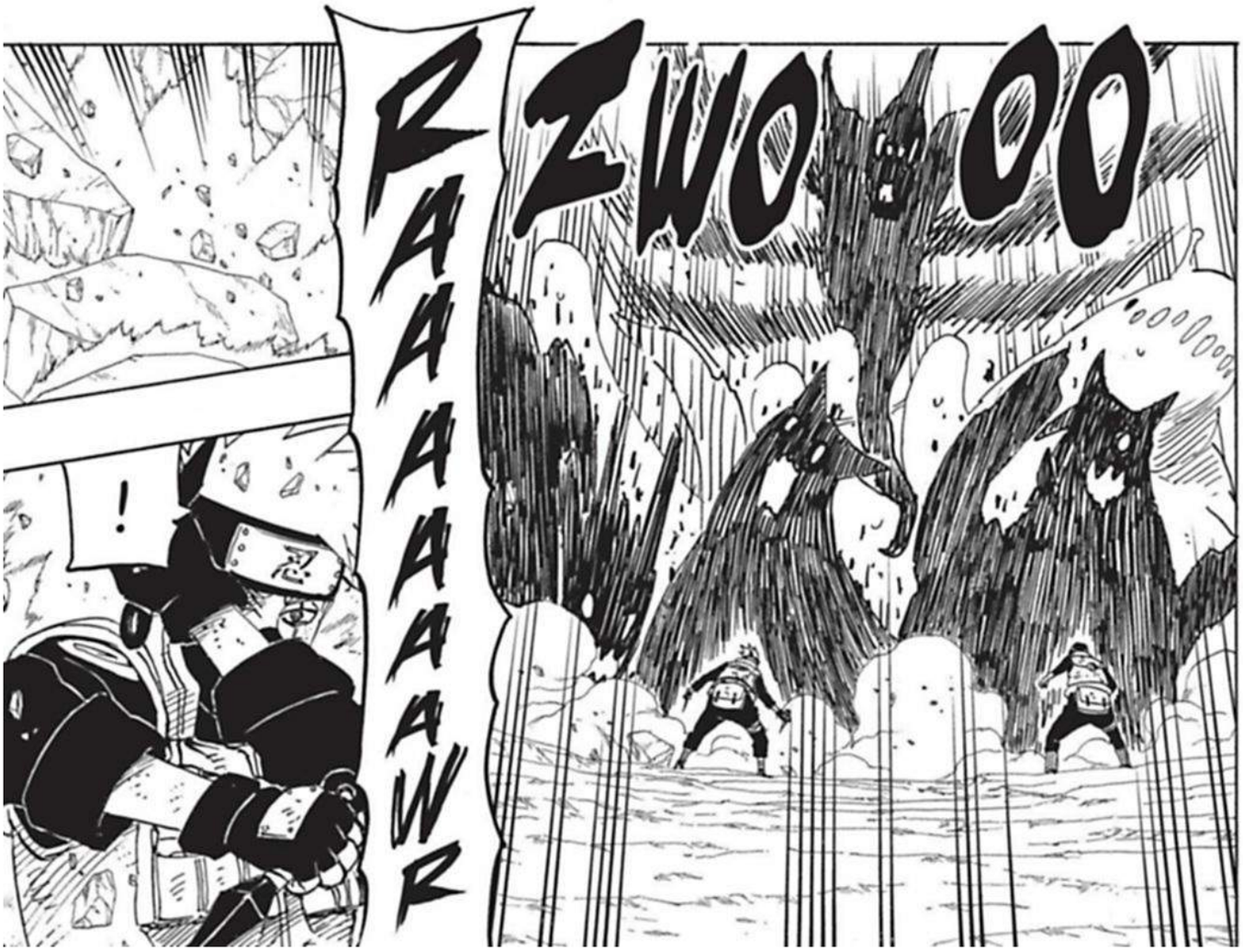
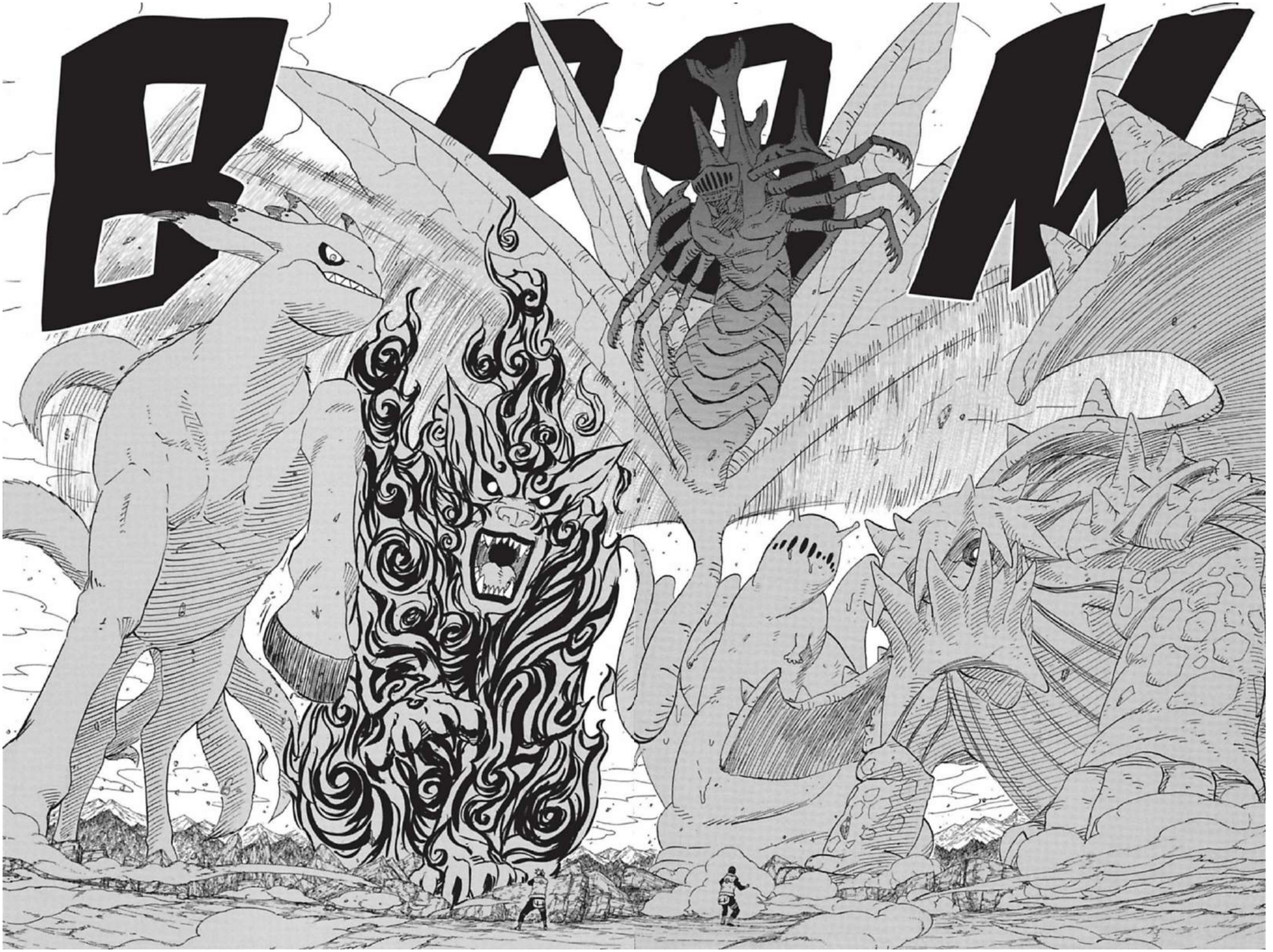

RRR
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE ABOUT TO PASS OUT AFTER STOPPING JUST ONE BIJU.
UMBLE

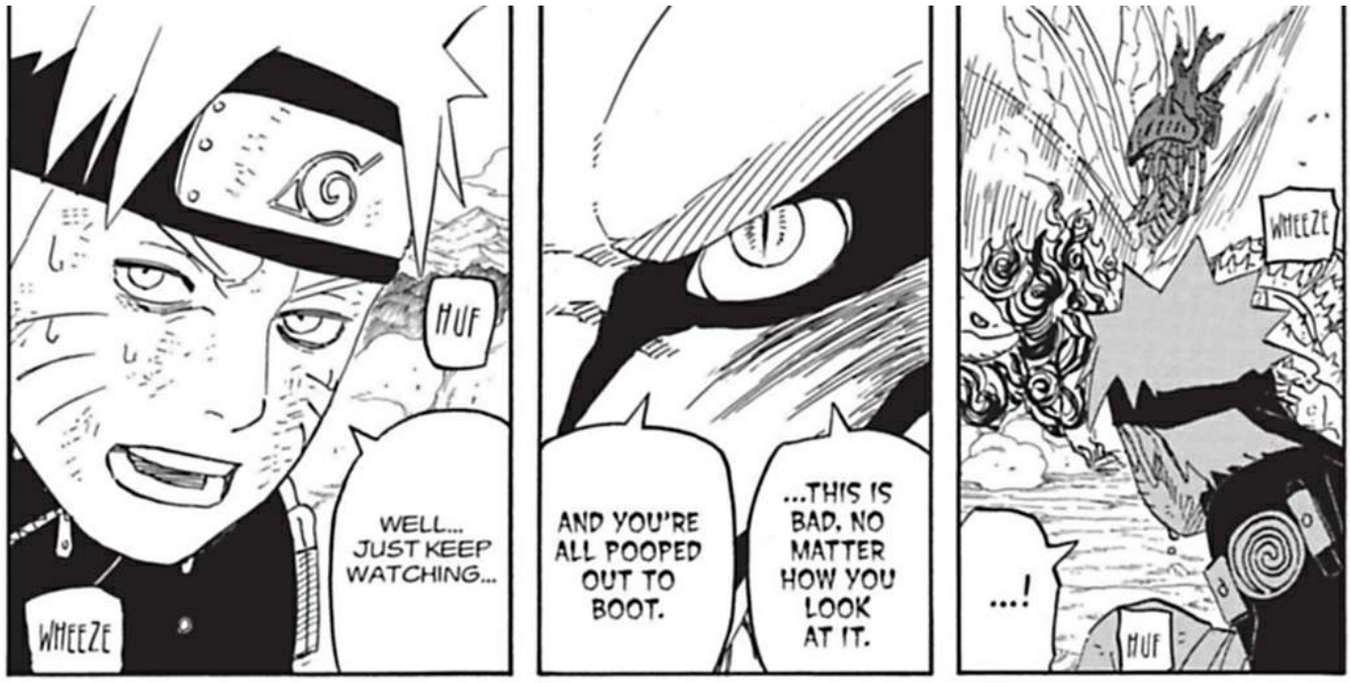
HUF
HUF
HUF
WHEEZE

?!

MY PRECIOUS BIJU THAT YOU TWO POSSESS... I SHALL TAKE THEM NOW.
YOU CAN'T DEFY ME!


RAAAAAAAWR
ZWOOOO
!


BOOM


WELL... JUST KEEP WATCHING...
HUF
WHEEZE
AND YOU'RE ALL POOPED OUT TO BOOT.
...THIS IS BAD. NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT.
...!
WHEEZE
HUF

I WOULDN'T MIND TOO TERRIBLY... NARUTO.
IF YOU WANT ME TO LEND YOU STRENGTH...

?
I'M REAL HAPPY YOU'RE WILLING TO LEND ME STRENGTH...
...BUT I NEED TO MAKE SURE I SAY SOMETHING TO YOU FIRST.
YOU TALK TOO MUCH NOW.
HUF
HUF
...
HUF
HUF

READ THIS WAY
!!
THAT... REALLY HELPED!
THANK YOU... FOR GIVING ME EXTRA POWER WHEN I FOUGHT THE OTHER MADARA!
SHF
I ONLY DID IT BECAUSE I'D RATHER DEAL WITH YOU THAN MADARA!
DON'T THANK ME! IT MAKES ME VERY UNCOMFOR-TABLE!!
THIS TIME, I'M MERELY INTERESTED IN WATCHING YOU FIGHT A LITTLE WHILE LONGER!
THAT'S RIGHT... JUST TO KILL SOME TIME!
BESIDES WHICH, THANKS TO THIS CAGE, I WAS ONLY ABLE TO GIVE YOU A MINISCULE AMOUNT OF CHAKRA ANYWAY!
?!
AND YOU LOOK MAD ALL THE TIME. YOU NEED TO WORK ON YOUR ATTITUDE!
IRK
UM, WHY DO YOU HAVE TO GET ALL WEIRD WHEN I THANK YOU?

HIT MY CHAKRA WITH YOURS.

FSH

...

THOUGH... IT'S NOT LIKE I'VE GOT ANYTHING ELSE TO DO...

SO WE COULD. IF YOU REALLY WANT TO!!

FOOL. WE WON'T HAVE TO DO THAT THIS TIME!

ANOTHER ROUND OF CHAKRA TUG-OF-WAR...?!

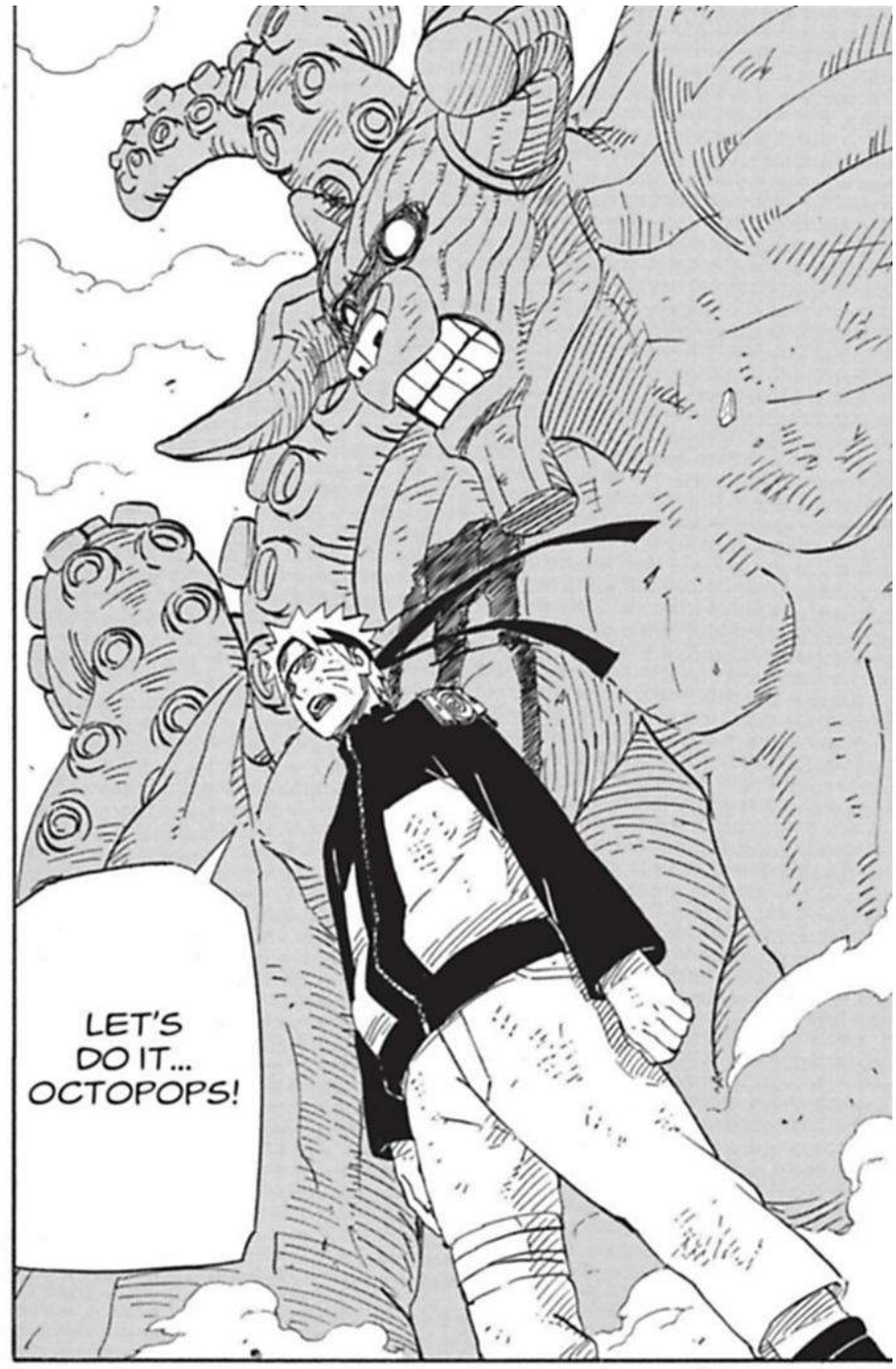
OH NO.

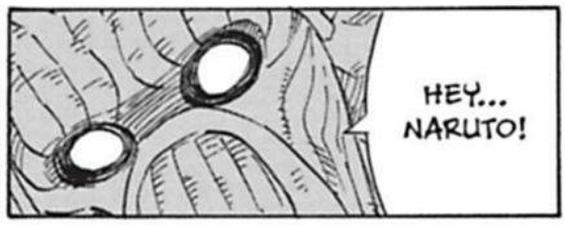
BUMP

READ THIS WAY
!!
HEH HEH HEH...
HMPH!
BLINK...

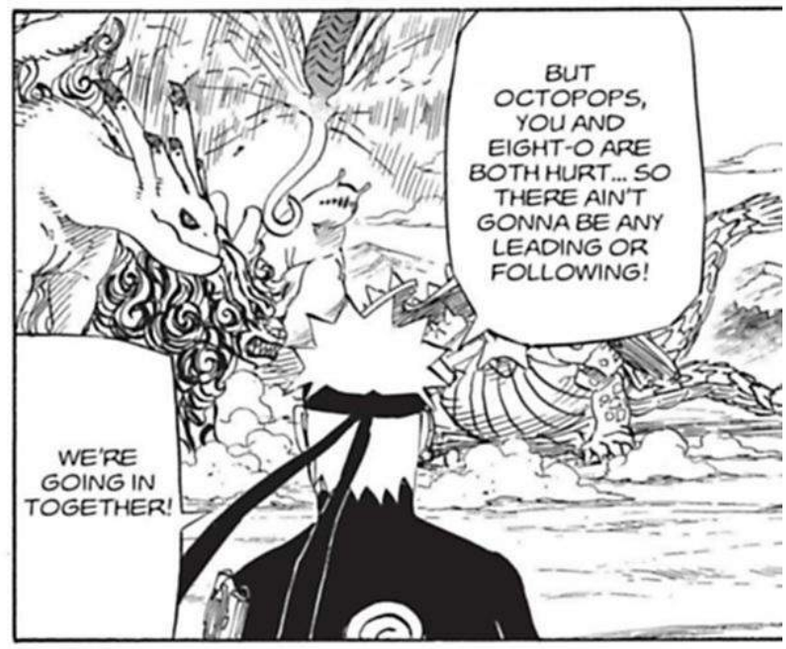
NARUTO, YOU WOULD BE WISE TO JUST COVER MY BACK, AGREED? ♪
WE FIGHT AS A TWO-MAN CELL, WITH ME TAKING THE LEAD ♪

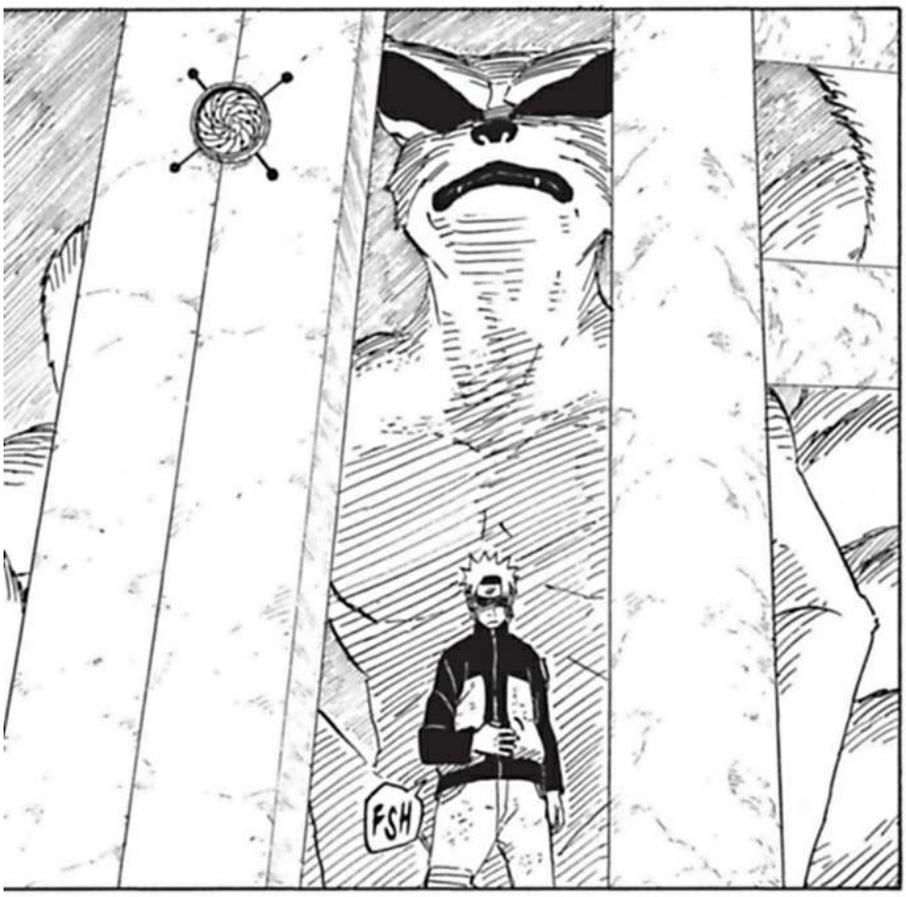
WE'RE UP AGAINST FIVE BIJU.
DON'T STAND IN FRONT, WHEN YOU CAN'T UNDERGO BIJU TRANSFOR-MATION!


LET'S DO IT... OCTOPOPS!


HEY... NARUTO!

ESPECIALLY SINCE WE'RE BOTH ALREADY TWO-MAN CELLS!


BUT OCTOPOPS, YOU AND EIGHT-O ARE BOTH HURT... SO THERE AIN'T GONNA BE ANY LEADING OR FOLLOWING!
WE'RE GOING IN TOGETHER!


FSH

NARUTO... HOLD ON... DON'T TELL ME...
YOU AND NINE TAILS...

I'VE STILL GOT TONS OF RESERVE POWER!

MAYBE I DO HATE THE FOX...

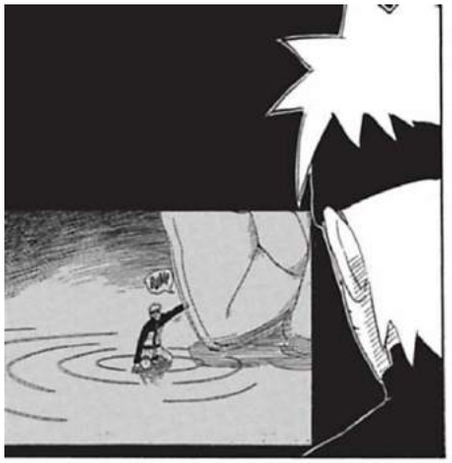
YOU DESPISE HIM...

KLANG

KLAK KLAK KLAK
AND IT'S GIVEN HIM EMPATHY. HE KNOWS WHAT IT IS TO BE IN PAIN.

BUT SOMETIMES, EVEN SO, HE'S AWKWARD, CLUMSY... A SCREW-UP... PEOPLE HAVE MOCKED AND SHUNNED HIM...
HE WORKS WITH ALL HIS MIGHT...

NOT THE BOY. FOR HIM, I HAVE NOTHING BUT RESPECT. HE'S AN EXCELLENT STUDENT.
BUT NOT NARUTO.

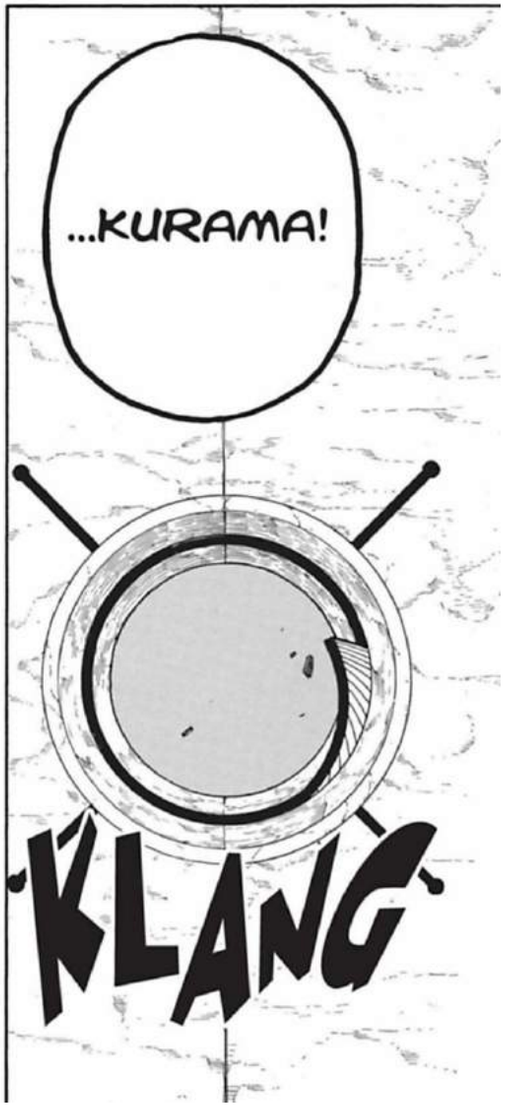


KA SHI NG

CACKLE...!!

NOW LET'S DO THIS!!!

FOO SH



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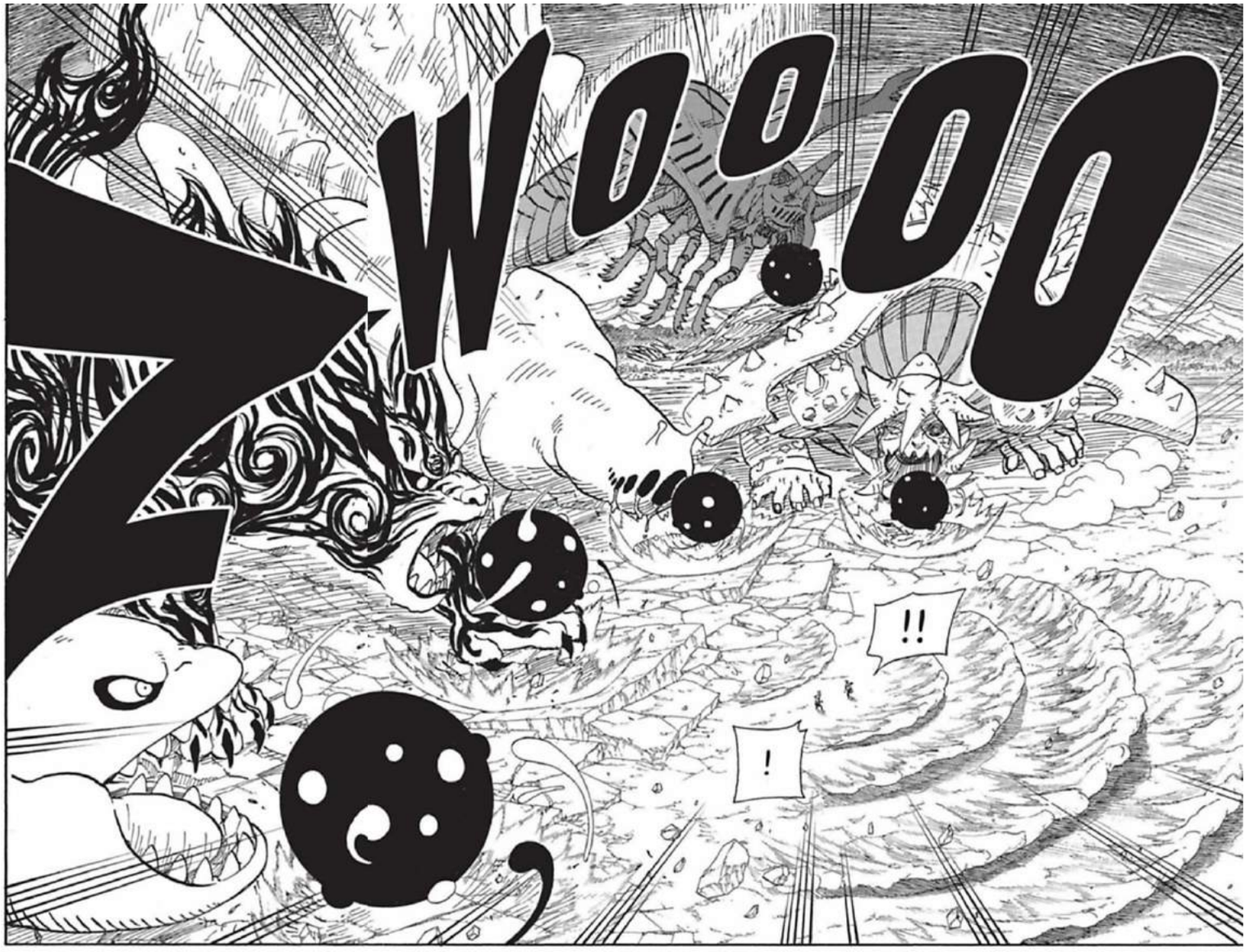
Yuichi Itakura

Number 571: Biju Mode!!

RUMBLE
YES, BUT...!!
FOOL! IF YOU DO THAT, YOU'LL DIE!

FIVE CLOSE-RANGE BIJU BOMBS IN THE AIR!!
NARUTO!! THINGS LOOK BAD OVER THERE!

YEAH...


WOOOOO
!!
!

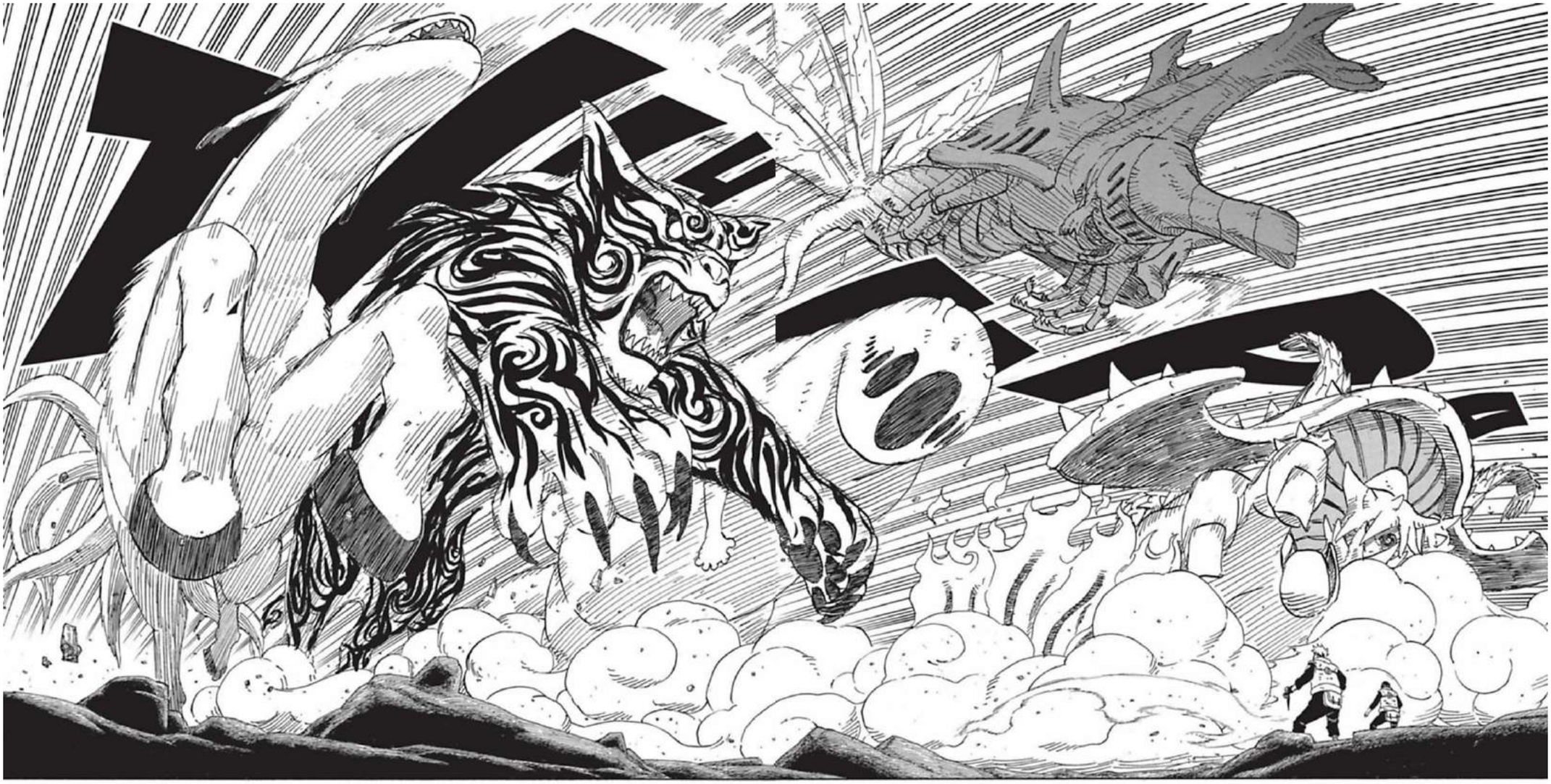
I'LL HAVE TO OPEN THE EIGHTH GATE...

THERE'S TOO MANY!! THAT WON'T CUT IT!

I'LL BLAST THEM AWAY WITH MY KAMUI!
SWOO...

GUY, DON'T MOVE!!
TH-THIS IS BAD!
RUMBLE
FSH

SWSH
SWSH
DOOM
DOOM
DOOM
DOOM
DOOM
I KNOW !!!
IN THAT CASE ~!
THEY WERE ALL REPELLED ?!
FWP
ARGH...!
RUMBLE
THE MOUN-TAINS...
THAT'S WITHIN A BIJU'S POWER?!
RUMBLE
I-IS THAT NARUTO ?!
!!
RUMBLE
MASTER ...?!
WHAT THE?! SO FAST...!
MA-- !!



FWOOOM

999
BZP BZP BZP BZP

ZWOO

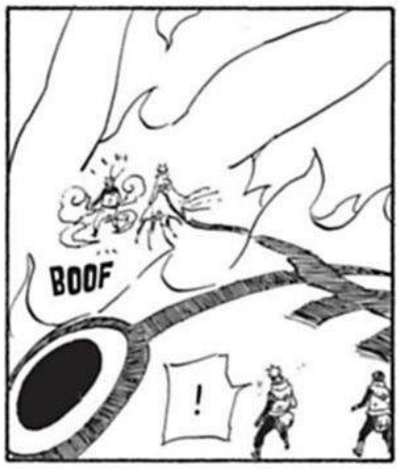
LET'S GO... KURAMA.

HERE THEY COME!!

OFW
D

AAAAH!!!!

THOOM
THOOM
THOOM
THOOM

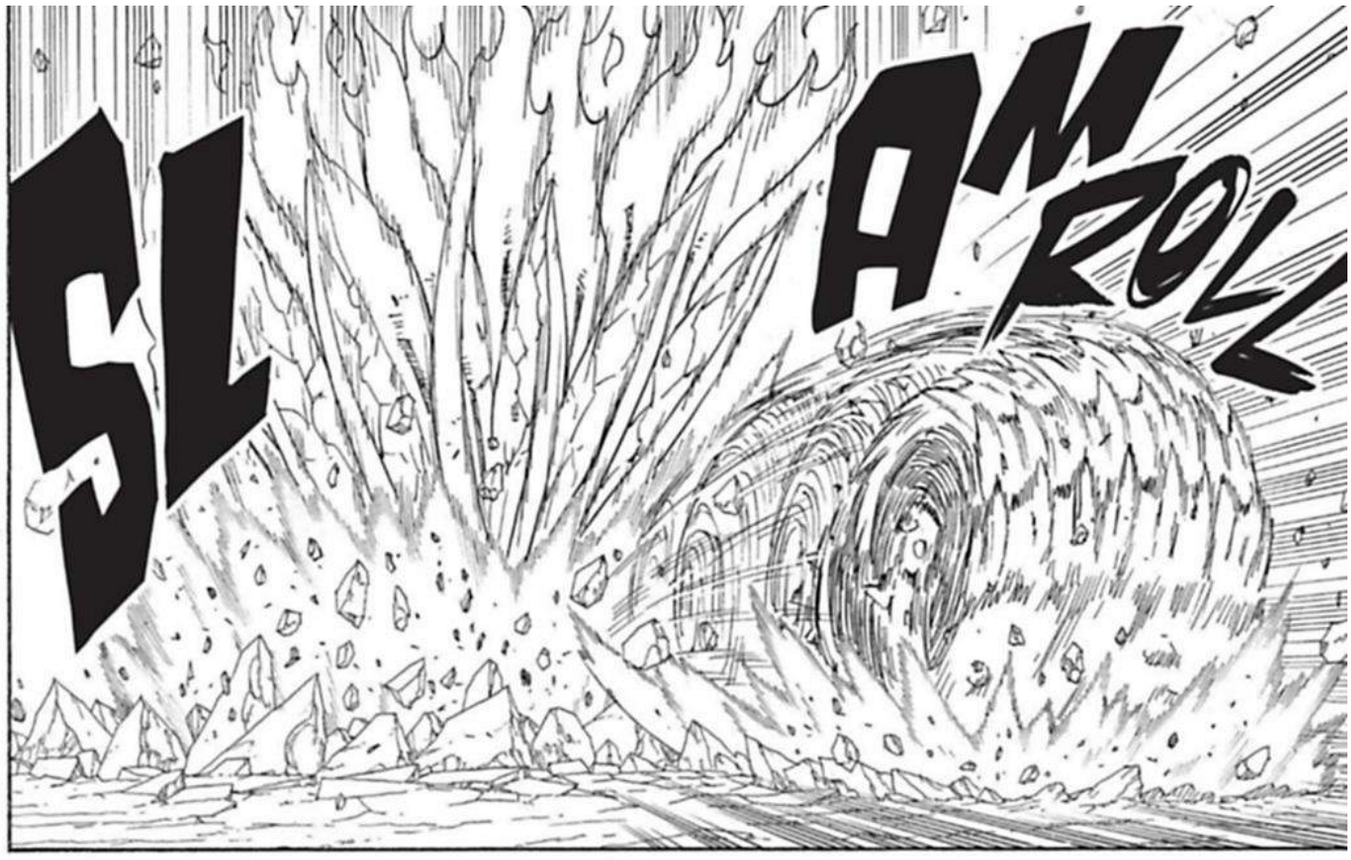


THERE'S A BUNCH OF YOU, SO I CAN'T BE AS GENTLE AS WITH SON, ALL RIGHT?!

...ONLY ABOUT FIVE MINUTES!!
THAT'S PLENTY!!
THAK

SPRO ING

GRAB


SL
AM
ROLL

?!
ZLURP

GRP

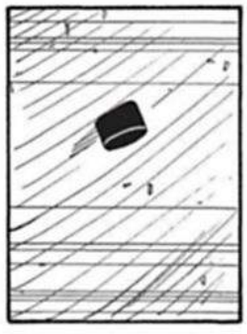
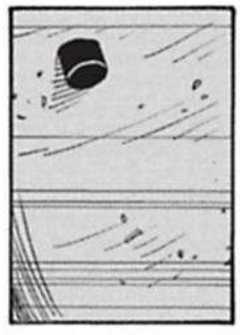
FREEZE

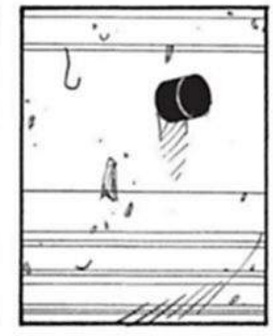
W
W
W

KLOMP

BA
SH
I AIN'T FALLIN' FOR THAT TRICK TWICE!!
TAK
ZKSH
THOOM

GRAWR !!!
ZLRS
ZWOP
THWUD

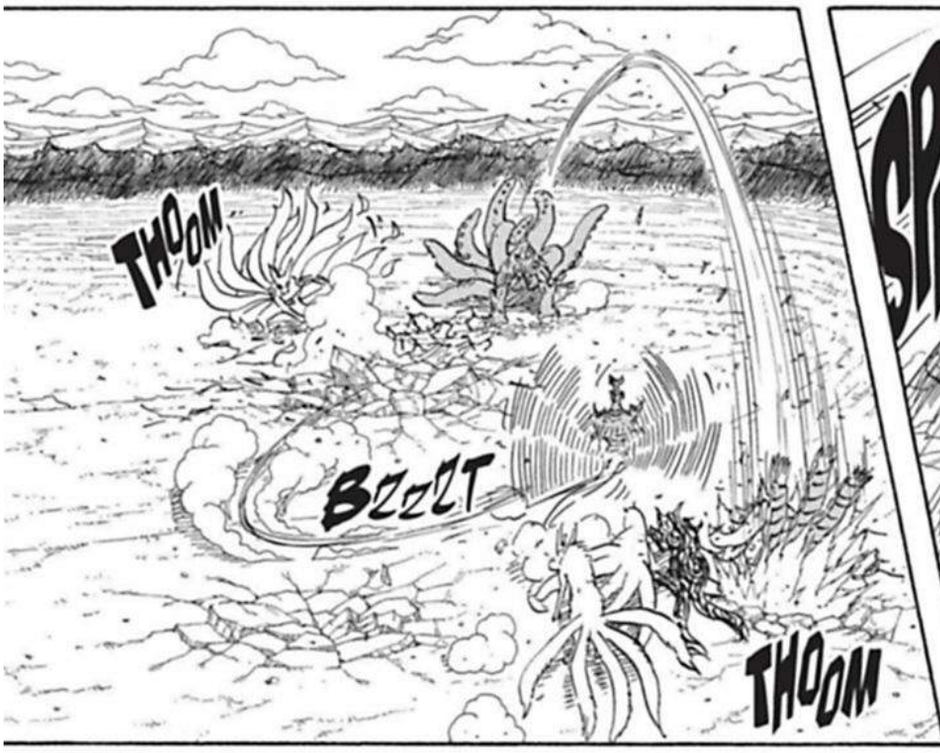





I'LL HAVE TO GO AFTER HIM LIKE I MEAN TO KILL.
HE EXCEEDED MY EXPECTA-TIONS!..

TH-THIS IS...A MONSTER SMACK DOWN!
?

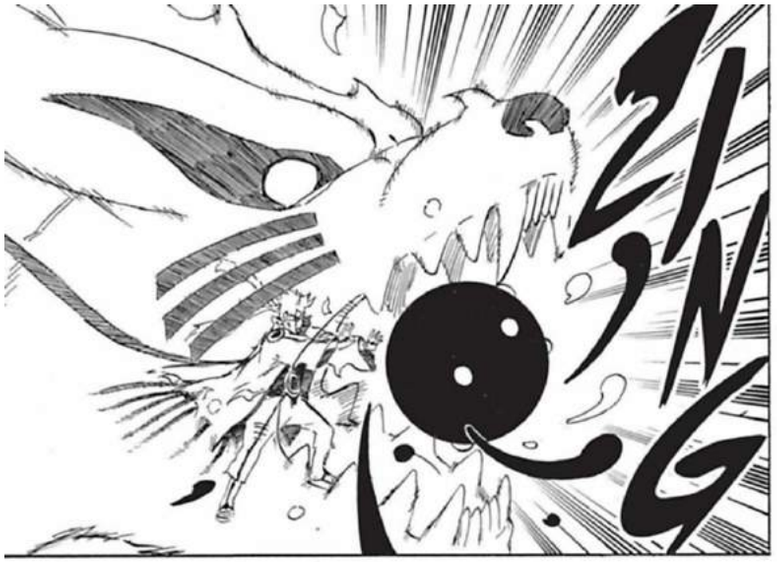
FOUND 'EM ALL!!


THOOM
BZZZT
THOOM

SPROING
ZP
ZP
!!

!!

ZWOOOOOOO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FSH

HEY... ISN'T THAT PRETTY BIG FOR ONE OF THOSE?!
MAYBE THEY'RE POOLING THEIR POWER?
WHAT NOW, NARUTO?!
...

WOOSH
PHO OM

AND I KNOW HE'LL GET IT RIGHT THIS TIME!
HE WAS ABLE TO PULL IT OFF A FEW TIMES DURING TRAINING!

BUT HE'S NEVER SUC-CEEDED AT IT YET...
WITH EQUAL FORCE, NARUTO'S GONNA CANCEL IT OUT?

BOMB!!!
BIJU...
BOOM

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Takahiro Hiraishi

BOOM

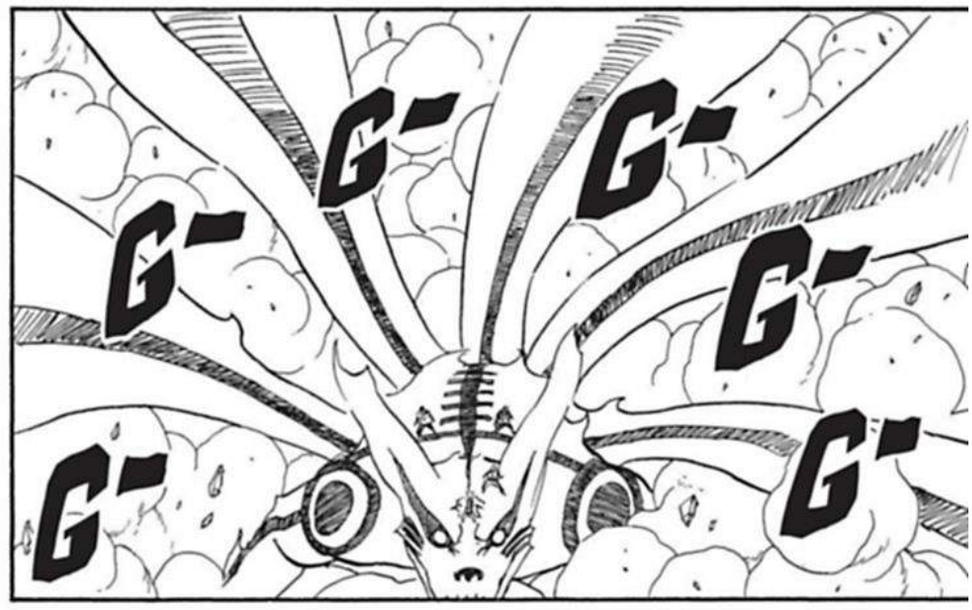
Number 572: Nine Names

KA
KK
HOOOOOO
NINE TAILS REALLY IS SUPER-STRONG!!
HE AIMED IT LOW SO IT WOULD BOUNCE THEM UP. BUT IT'S REALLY BIG!
GGGG

BOOF
BOOF
BOOF

GAK
GAK
GAK
GAK
GAK

ALL RODS GRABBED!!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G-
G-
G-
G-
G-

GU
MP

FREE EVERY-BODY!
NOW, KURAMA!! PULL 'EM ALL AT ONCE!!

WE'LL GET THEM ALL OUT!!

FSH
!!!

PLNK
...!

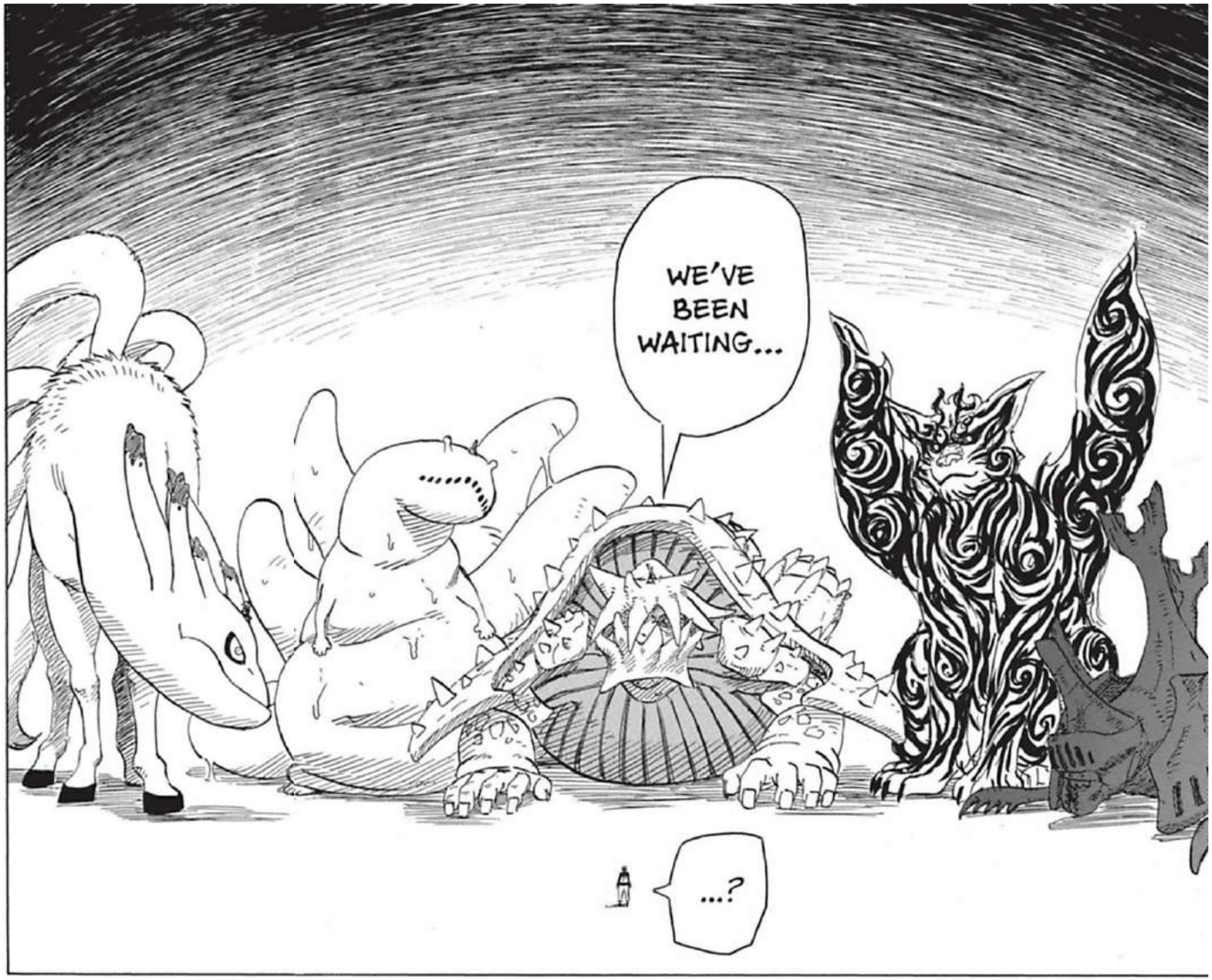
...

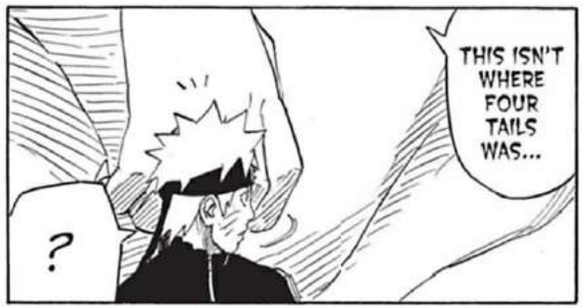
SEE! THERE ARE JINCHÛRIKI HERE TOO.
NOW THAT WE'RE FULLY LINKED, YOU'RE ABLE TO ENTER DEEPER INTO THE BIJU PSYCHE PLANE.

PLUS, FOUR TAILS WAS RESTRAINED BY CHAKRA CHAINS, REMEMBER?

THE MAN IN THE MASK CANNOT PENETRATE THIS DEEP.
I DON'T REALLY GET IT, BUT... EVERYONE'S HERE AND THERE AREN'T ANY CHAINS...
IT'S NOT AS CRAZY AS LAST TIME!

I'VE WANTED TO MEET YOU, UZUMAKI NARUTO! IN FACT...
WELCOME! I THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US JINCHÛRIKI AND BIJU.


WE'VE BEEN WAITING...
.....
...?

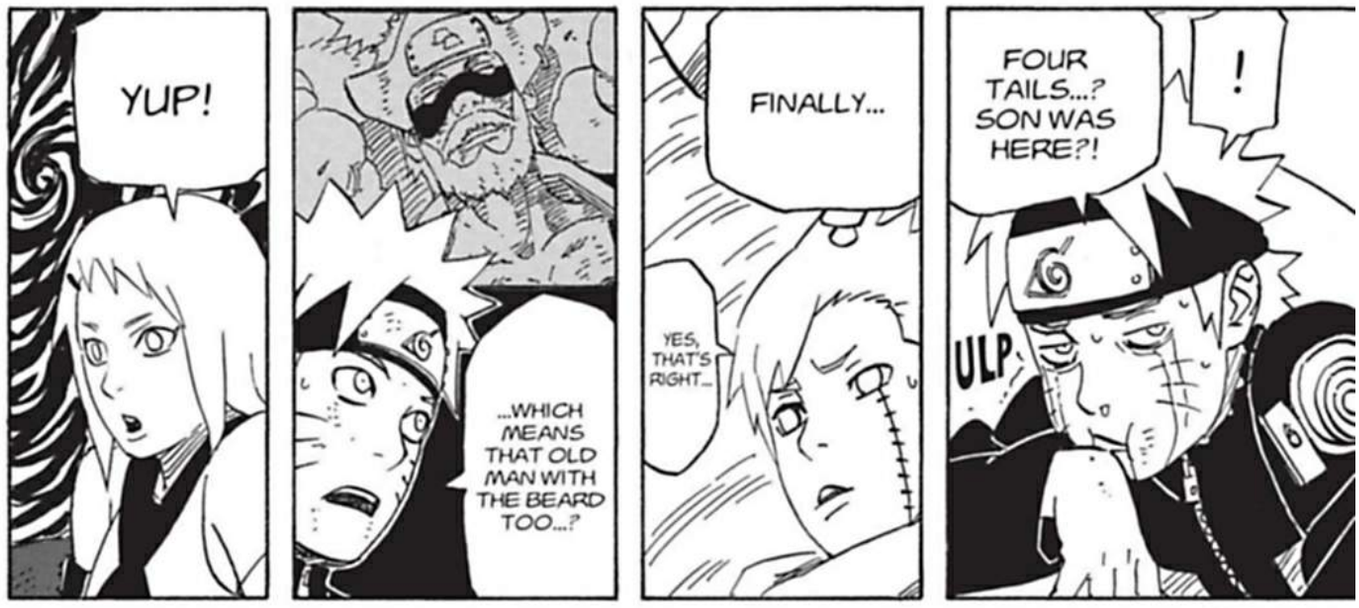

THIS ISN'T WHERE FOUR TAILS WAS...
?

JUST AS FOUR TAILS PREDICTED.
YOU DID GET ALL THE WAY TO THIS PLANE THIS TIME...

THIS HAPPENED WITH SON TOO...

Drip Drip
Drip Drip
BLOOP
KNOWING HOW YOU WENT THROUGH THAT AND NOW YOU'RE DEAD. IT MAKES ME SO SAD!
YOU NEVER GOT TO EAT RAMEN! OR KISS A GIRL!
UNH... BUT YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE SHORTER, YOUNGER, AND WEAKER THAN ME...
BEING A JINCHÛRIKI IS REALLY HARD, HUNH?

YOU KNOW I'M TALKING TO YOU!!
FOUR TAILS IS RIGHT. YOU DON'T LISTEN WELL!!
AND... I WAS WILD!! SO... SASUKE... KISSES. WHAT WAS THAT LIKE? TELL ME!
GAG!! GAG!!
URK
GUK
ACTUALLY... YOU'VE ONLY REALLY EVER KISSED... SASUKE!
DON'T MAKE ME REMEMBER THAT!!! AARGH!!
NARUTO... YOU HAVE NEVER KISSED A GIRL EITHER.
I AM THE FORMER FOURTH MIZUKAGE! I WAS REALLY DISTIN-GUISHED!! AND I'M AN ADULT!!!


YUP!
...WHICH MEANS THAT OLD MAN WITH THE BEARD TOO...?
FINALLY...
YES, THAT'S RIGHT...
FOUR TAILS...? SON WAS HERE?!
!
ULP

...

OH, AND I WAS ABLE TO GIVE HIM A BIT OF MY CHAKRA.
MAKE SURE TO TELL HIM THAT...

I THINK... THIS KID'S IT...
THAT'S HOW IT FEELS.
DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT OLD MAN SIX PATHS TOLD US AT THE VERY END?

?!

PERHAPS, JUST MAYBE...
FOUR TAILS...

GOODBYE FOR NOW, ALL.
I'M BEING PULLED BACK INTO THE STATUE ALREADY...

...

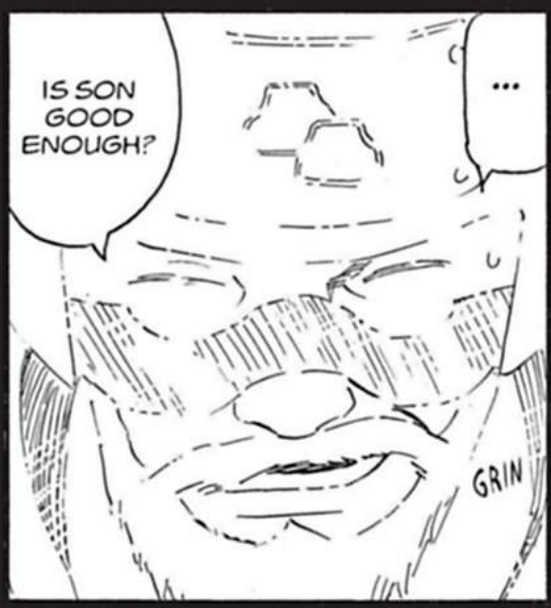
I WAGER HE'LL COME HERE TO TRY TO HELP YOU GUYS TOO.
IF HE DOES, DO GOOD BY HIM, UNDERSTAND?

...

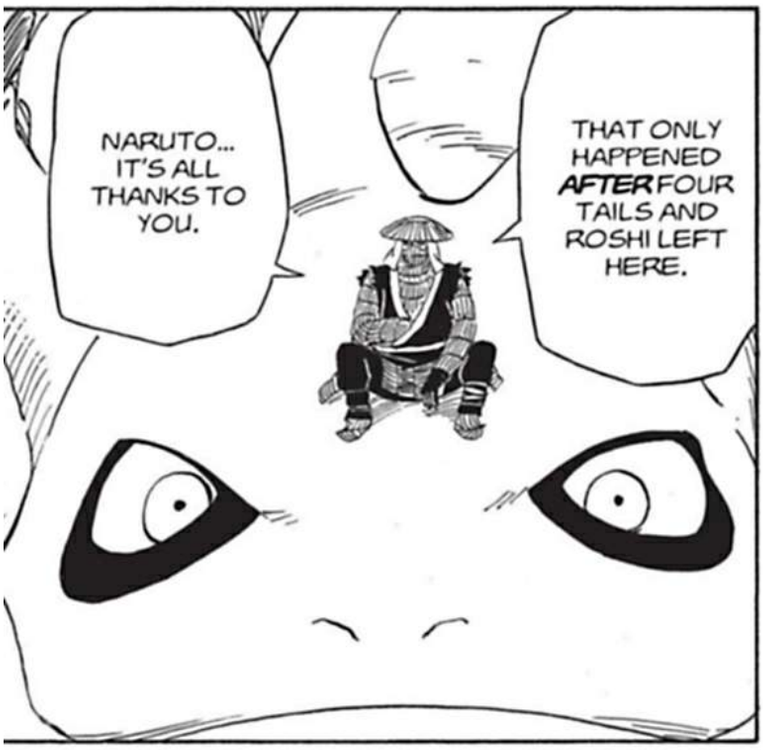
DO YOU THINK...
...WE COULD HAVE TRAVELED A DIFFERENT PATH TOO...?

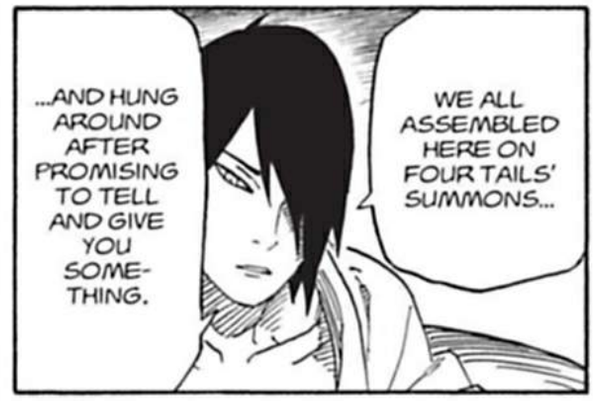
...

HEH... THIS FROM YOU, WHO'S EVEN MORE OBSTI-NATE THAN TSUCHIKAGE OHNOKI...? HAVE YOU GONE SOFT AFTER DEATH?!
WELL... MAYBE IF YOU'D TRIED TO REMEMBER MY NAME... RIGHT WHEN YOU FIRST BECAME MY JINCHÛRIKI...!


...
IS SON GOOD ENOUGH?
GRIN

I STILL AIN'T SOFT ENOUGH TO START CALLING YOU BY YOUR NAME, AFTER BEING YOUR JINCHÛRIKI FOR 40-PLUS YEARS...!
FWOO...
THEN... RECITE MY FULL NAME NOW, SPIEL AND ALL.
THOUGH I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN IT, EITHER..


NARUTO... IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU.
THAT ONLY HAPPENED AFTER FOUR TAILS AND ROSHI LEFT HERE.


...AND HUNG AROUND AFTER PROMISING TO TELL AND GIVE YOU SOME-THING.
WE ALL ASSEMBLED HERE ON FOUR TAILS' SUMMONS...

HEH HEH... GOOD THAT THEY ALL GET ALONG NOW!
WOW... HE DID ALL THAT...?

I AM FORMER FOURTH MIZUKAGE YAGURA.
MY NAME IS ISOBU.

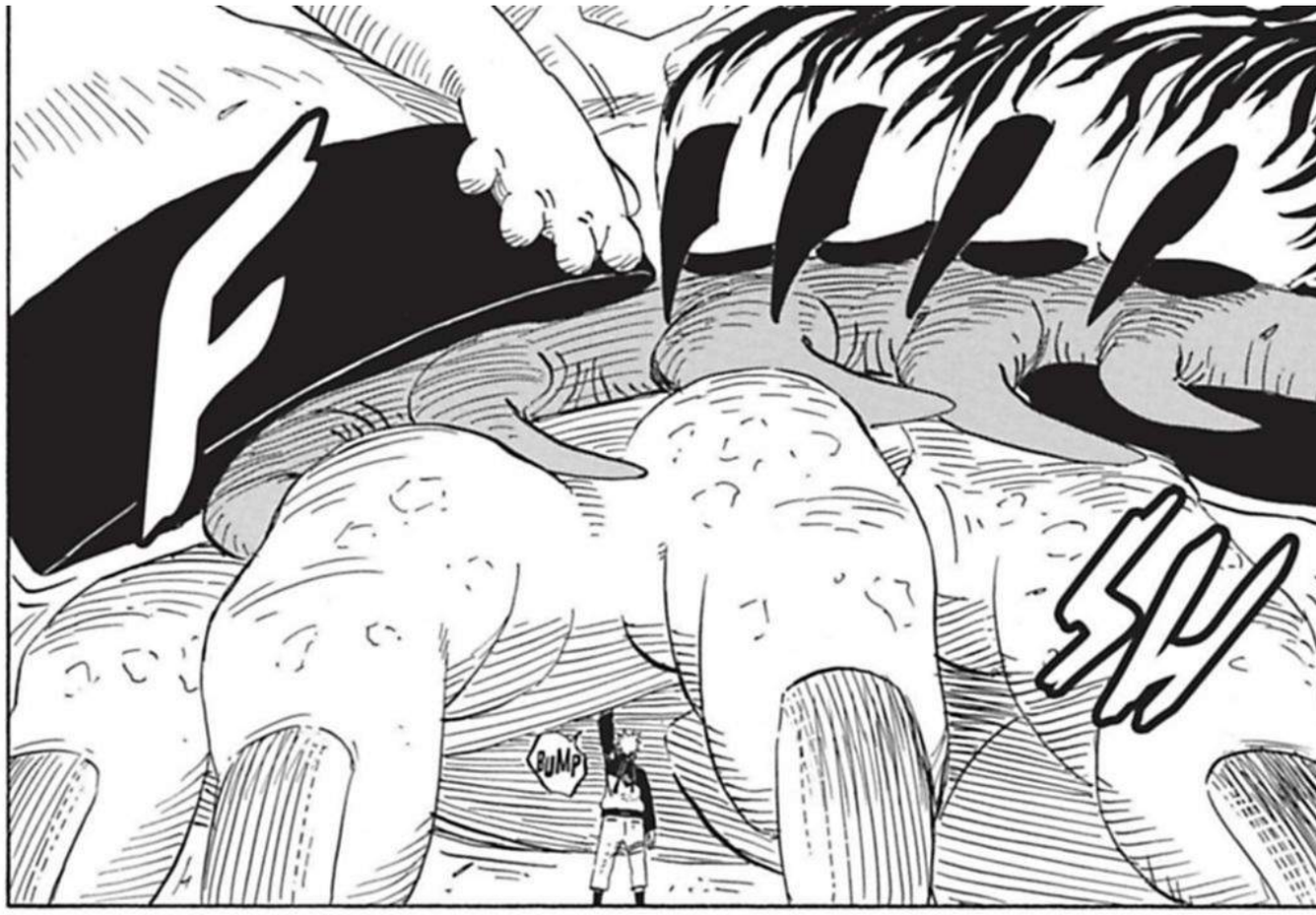
NI'I YUGITO.
MY NAME IS MATATABI.

WE SHALL NOW FULFILL OUR PROMISE TO FOUR TAILS... OR RATHER, SON GOKU...
NARUTO, STEP FORWARD AND EXTEND YOUR HAND...
?!

I'M FU!
I'M LUCKY SEVEN CHOMEI.

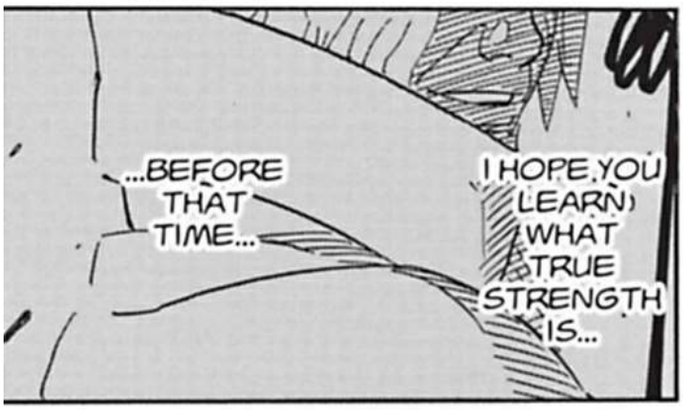
I'M UTAKATA.
ME, I BE CALLED SAIKEN.

I'M HAN.
I AM KOKUO.



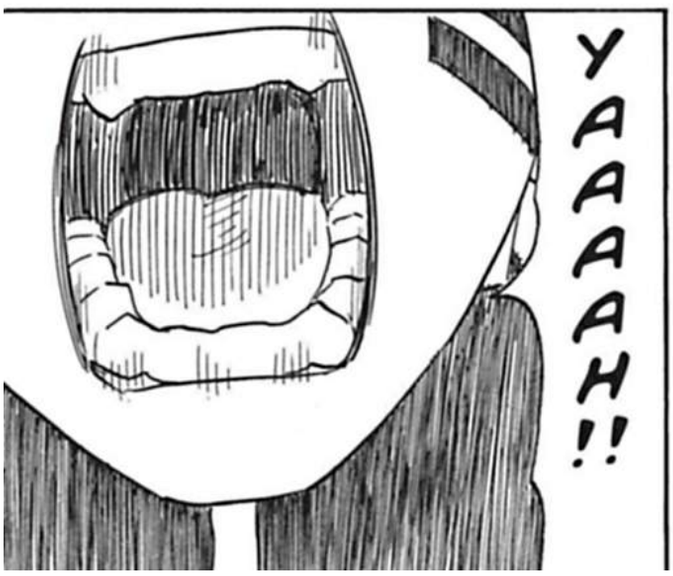
EVEN IF YOU ARE FAR APART, YOU WILL ALWAYS BE TOGETHER, AND EVENTUALLY, THE DAY WILL COME WHEN YOU WILL BE UNITED AGAIN...

SHUKAKU, MATATABI, ISOBU, SON GOKU, KOKUO, SAIKEN, CHOMEI, GYUKI AND KURAMA...


...BEFORE THAT TIME...
I HOPE YOU LEARN WHAT TRUE STRENGTH IS...

AND UNLIKE WHEN YOU WERE INSIDE ME, YOU SHALL BE LED PROPERLY.
EACH OF YOU WITH A UNIQUE NAME... AND A DIFFERENT FORM THAN BEFORE.

IT'S TAKEN WAY TOO LONG... OLD MAN.


YAAAAH!!

ZWOP
YES...!

Y-YUP!
ZWOP

RAAA AWR!!!
THAT NARUTO'S THE OLD MAN'S...
DON'T YOU ALL AGREE...?

ZWOP
INDEED...

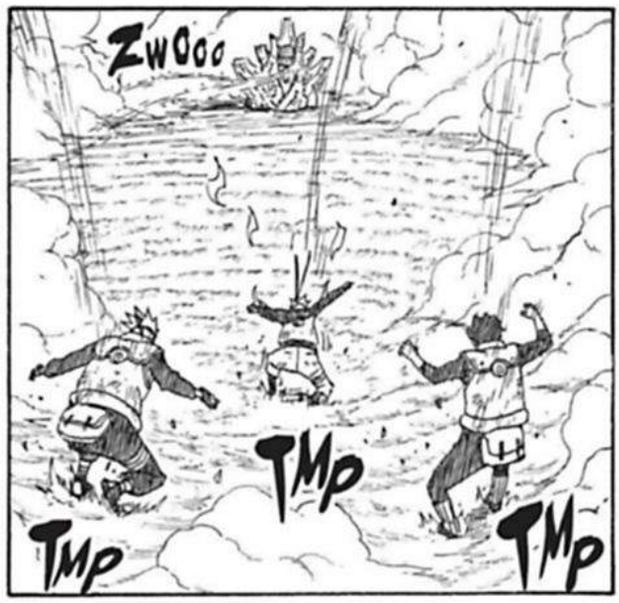
ZLURP
YEAH...

FWOOSH
BOOF

ZWOP
FOR SURE...

HOWEVER.. IT LOOKS LIKE YOU STILL CAN'T MAINTAIN IT FOR LONG.
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT YOU'D BE ABLE TO COMPLETELY CONTROL NINE TAILS.
SO SAME OLD, SAME OLD.
SHING

ZWOOO


ZWOOO
TMP
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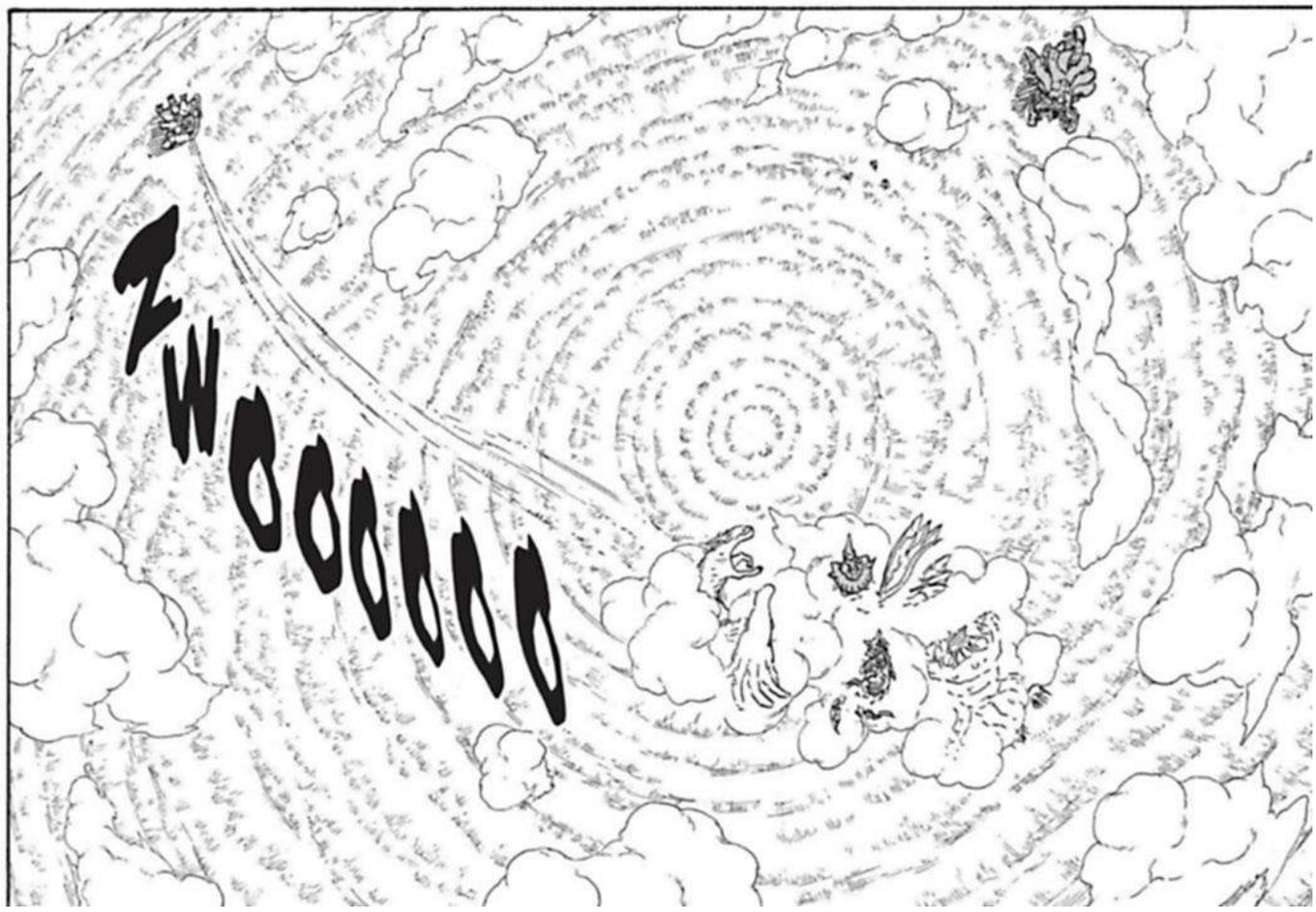
ZWOOOOOO

ZWOOOOO
ZWW...O

IT'S NOT SAME OLD, SAME OLD...!
RRRRR

EVEN SO... NICELY DONE, NARUTO!!

KLOMP

?!

I JUST LEARNED ...
...A WHOLE BUNCH OF HARD NAMES ALL AT ONCE.

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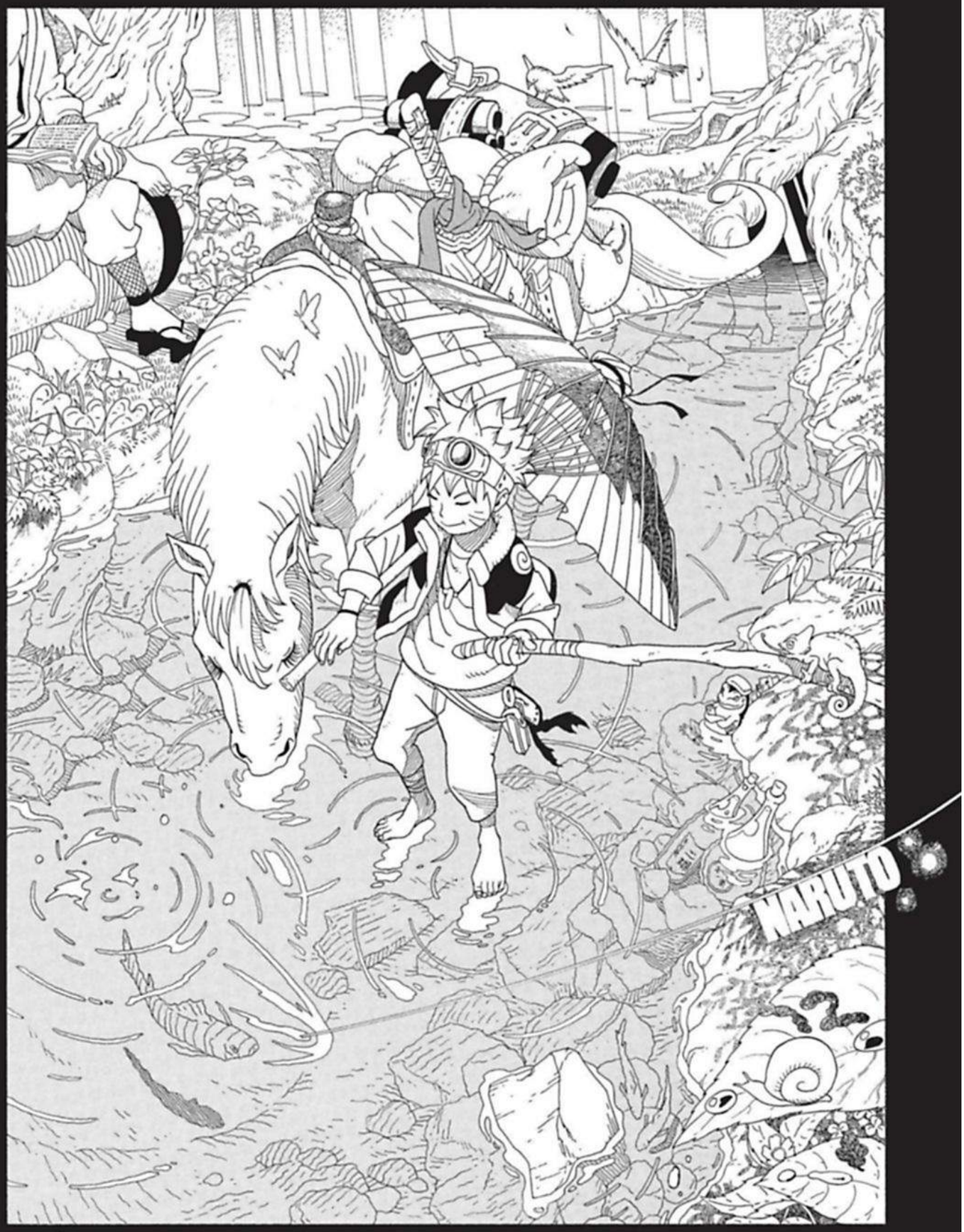

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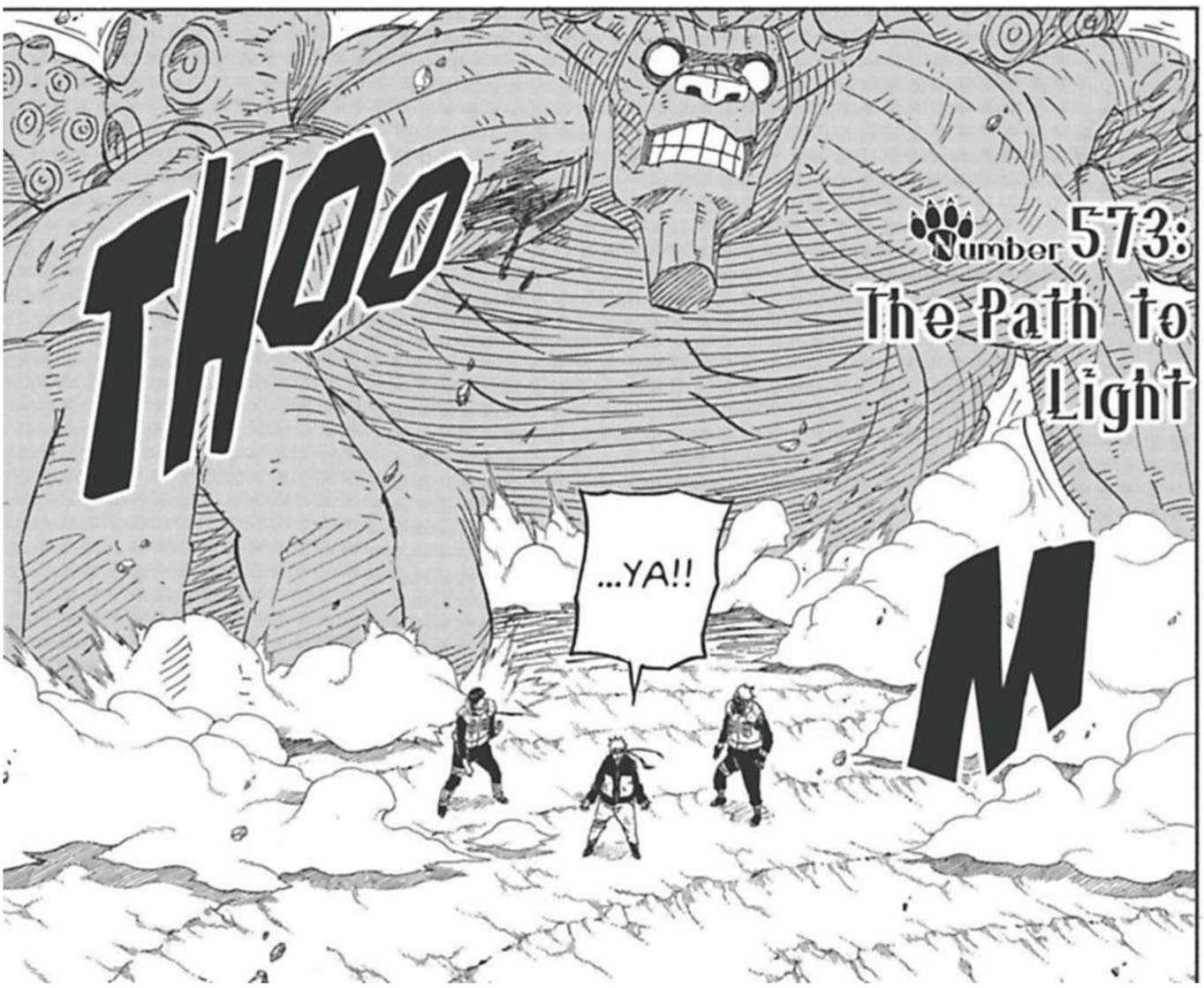

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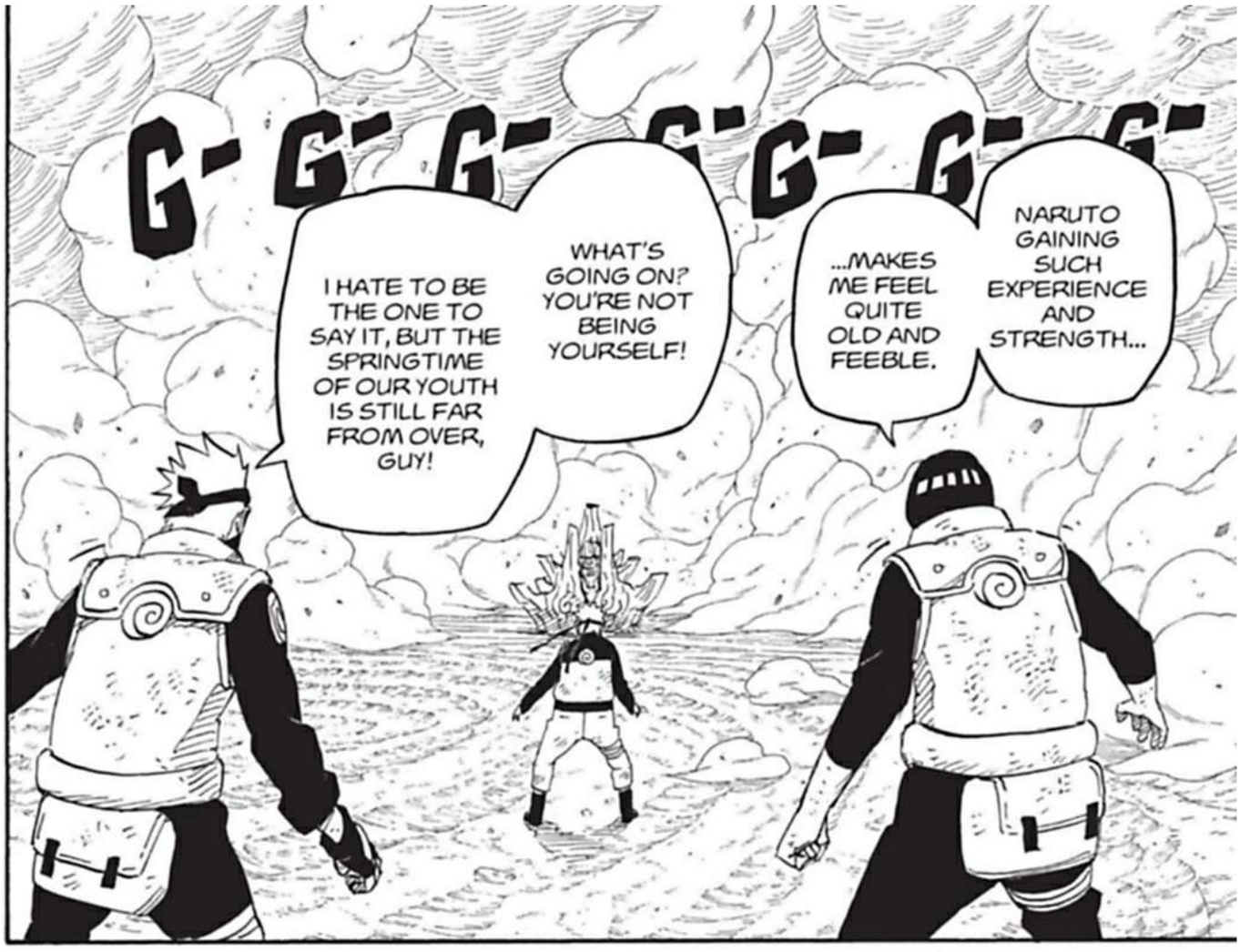

G- G- G- G- G- G- G-
I HATE TO BE THE ONE TO SAY IT, BUT THE SPRINGTIME OF OUR YOUTH IS STILL FAR FROM OVER, GUY!
WHAT'S GOING ON? YOU'RE NOT BEING YOURSELF!
...MAKES ME FEEL QUITE OLD AND FEEBLE.
NARUTO GAINING SUCH EXPERIENCE AND STRENGTH...

AH, THAT'S THE GUY I KNOW.
QUIET! YOU WANT TO MAKE ME FEEL EVEN WORSE?
WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO!

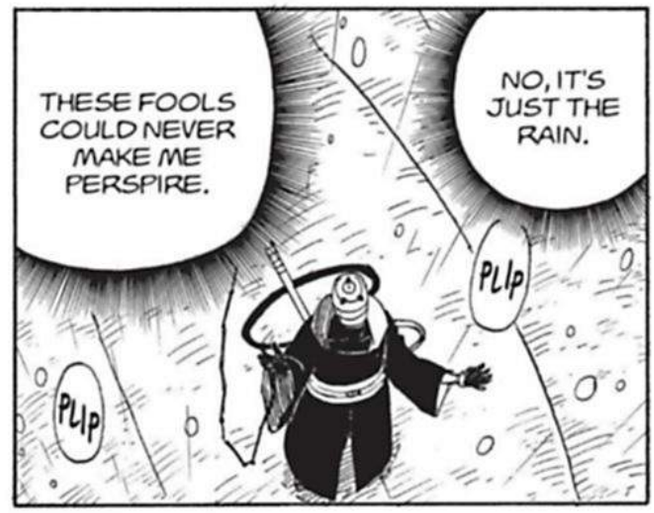
AM I PERSPIR-ING?!

SLSH
DRIP
DRIP

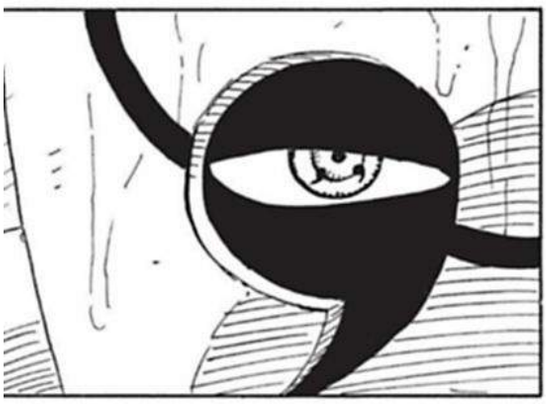
GAK

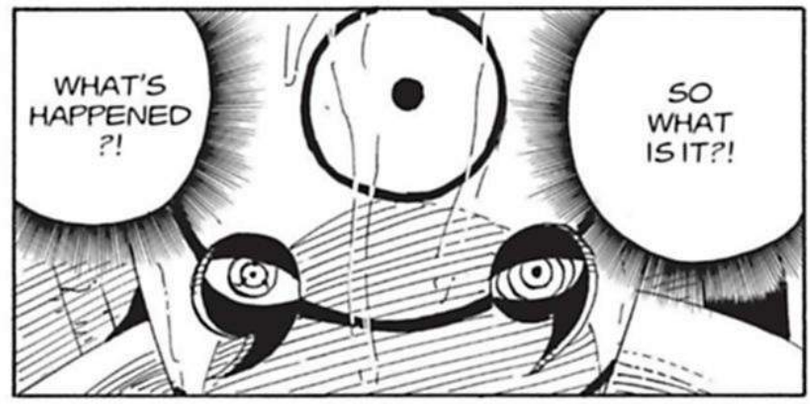
...
THAT EXPRESSION...
FSH

THERE'S NO WAY HIS POWER COULD BE PUSHING ME THIS HARD.
I KNEW WHAT HIS LIMITS WERE!


THESE FOOLS COULD NEVER MAKE ME PERSPIRE.
NO, IT'S JUST THE RAIN.
PLIP
PLIP

HE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AN AMUSE-MENT!
WOOSH!
NARUTO WAS ALWAYS MERELY A PAWN TO TEST SASUKE.
SHUP...




WHAT'S HAPPENED ?!
SO WHAT IS IT?!

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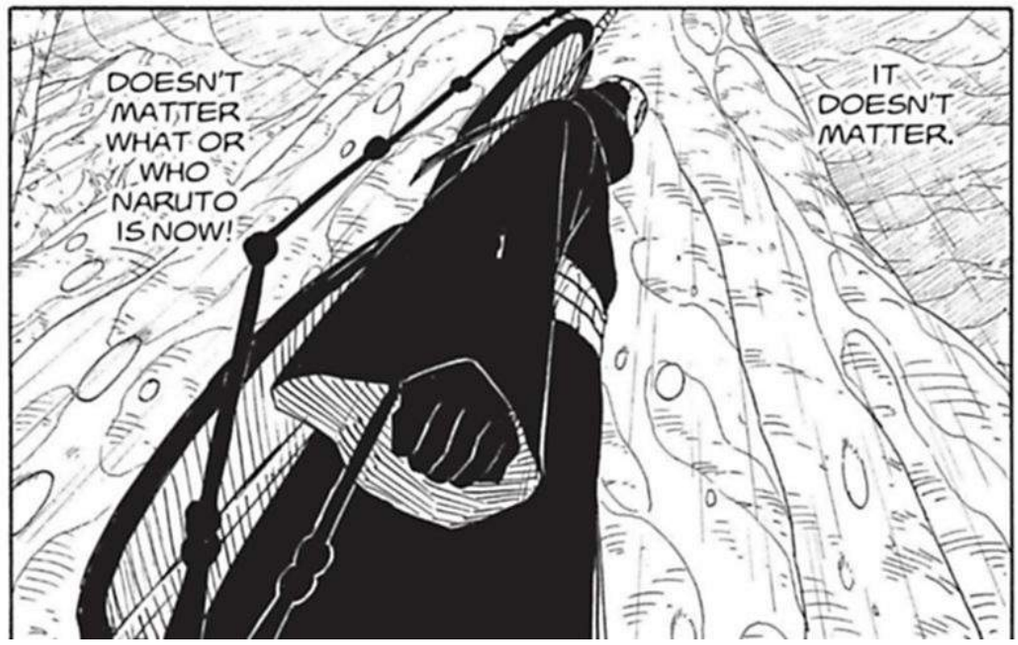
DOESN'T MATTER WHAT OR WHO NARUTO IS NOW!
IT DOESN'T MATTER.

PWIP
W-WOW...

NOTHING THAT EXISTS NOW WILL MATTER THEN! NOTHING!
AFTER THIS WAR IS OVER, THERE WILL BE NO PAST OR FUTURE.

SO MUCH POWER.
IT HAS TO BE NINE TAILS!
DID YOU FEEL THAT?!

WHAT'S THE CURRENT SITUATION?

...AND YET... I ALSO DETECT SOMETHING... A BIT DIFFERENT...
YEAH...

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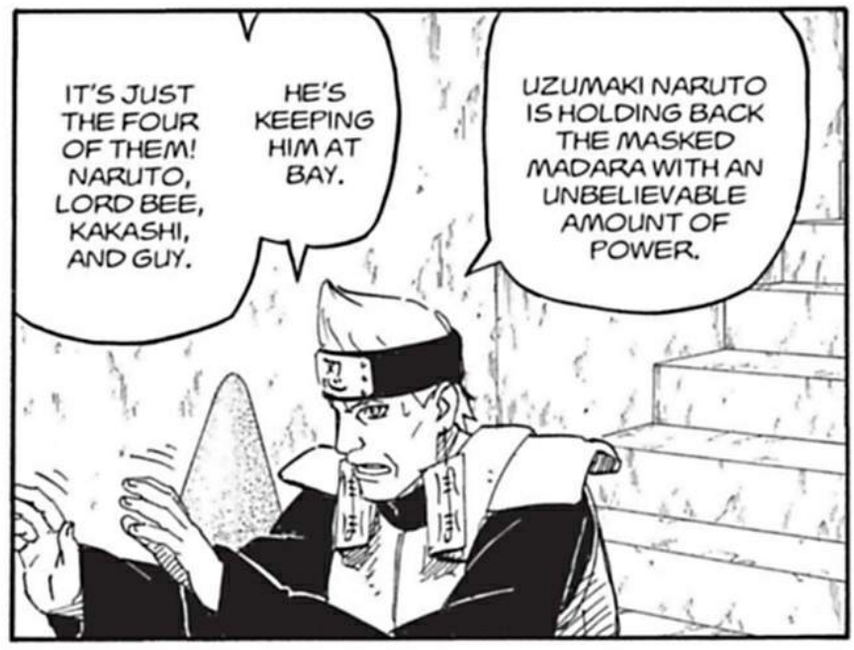
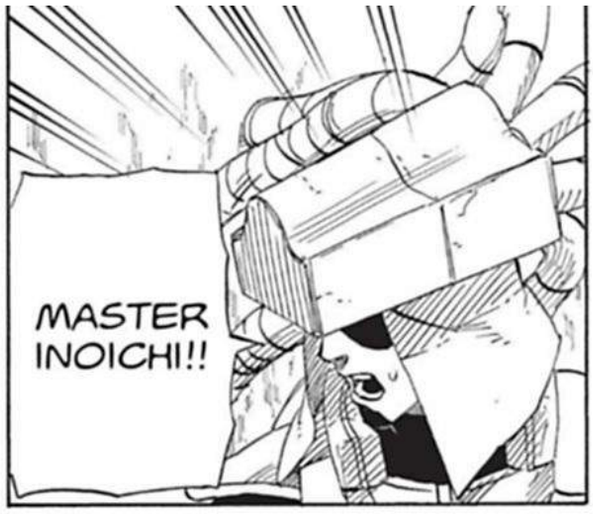

IT'S JUST THE FOUR OF THEM! NARUTO, LORD BEE, KAKASHI, AND GUY.
HE'S KEEPING HIM AT BAY.
UZUMAKI NARUTO IS HOLDING BACK THE MASKED MADARA WITH AN UNBELIEVABLE AMOUNT OF POWER.

IT'LL BOOST EVERYONE'S MORALE!
FIFTEEN SECONDS IS ALL WE NEED!

INOICHI! RELAY NARUTO'S ACTIONS DIRECTLY INTO THE MINDS OF THE REIN-FORCEMENT TROOPS!

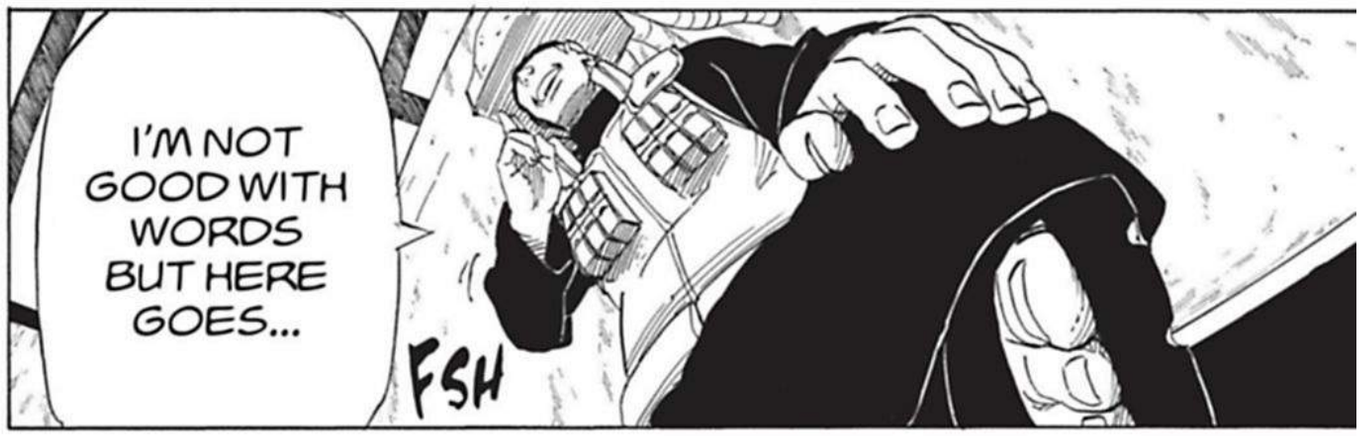
IT'LL OVERLOAD THE CHAKRA NETWORK. INOICHI COULD DIE!
SEND IT TO ALL OF THEM?

SHARE THE POWER OF HOPE!
NARUTO AND THE OTHERS ARE GIVING IT THEIR ALL. SHOW THE TROOPS TO INSPIRE THEM!


MASTER INOICHI!!

JUST TEN SECONDS!

MAKE IT SHORT BUT MAKE IT COUNT!
SORRY, BUT THIS IS IMPOR-TANT!

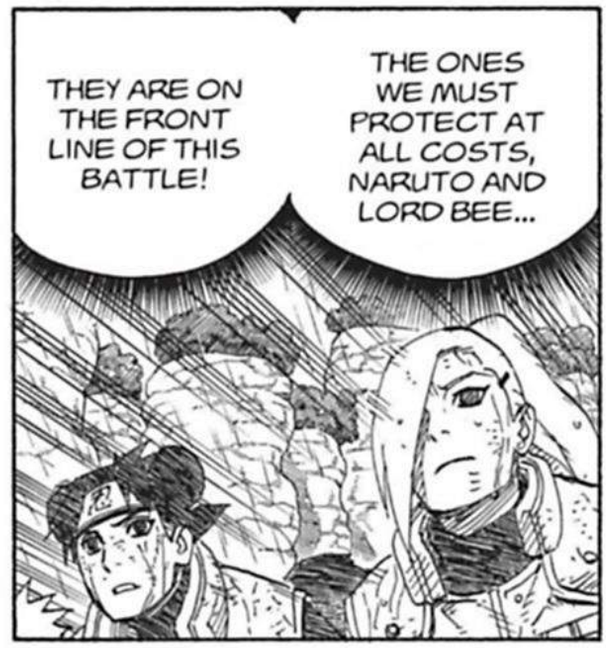

I'M NOT GOOD WITH WORDS BUT HERE GOES...
FSH

I HAVE A MESSAGE FROM HQ!
!!
SHOOM
SHOOM
SHOOM

UZUMAKI NARUTO IS STANDING FIRM!!
SPLASH
SPLASH

REINFORCE-MENTS, WE'RE IN AN UPPER HAND SITUATION!
LISTEN UP!

WITH KAKASHI AND GUY!!


THEY ARE ON THE FRONT LINE OF THIS BATTLE!
THE ONES WE MUST PROTECT AT ALL COSTS, NARUTO AND LORD BEE...

SPLATTER

AMPLIFY IT WITH *YOUR* MIGHTY HEARTS...!

AND SO, EVERYONE, I NEED ALL OF *YOU* TO ADD TO THEIR MIGHTY HEARTS...!!

VICTORY IS NOW!!

DRIBBLE...

...I TOOK... TWENTY SECONDS...

HUF

HUF

HUF

HUF

I KNOW I WAS BAD WITH WORDS.

AH!!

HUF...

HACK!

...

SORRY ABOUT THAT...

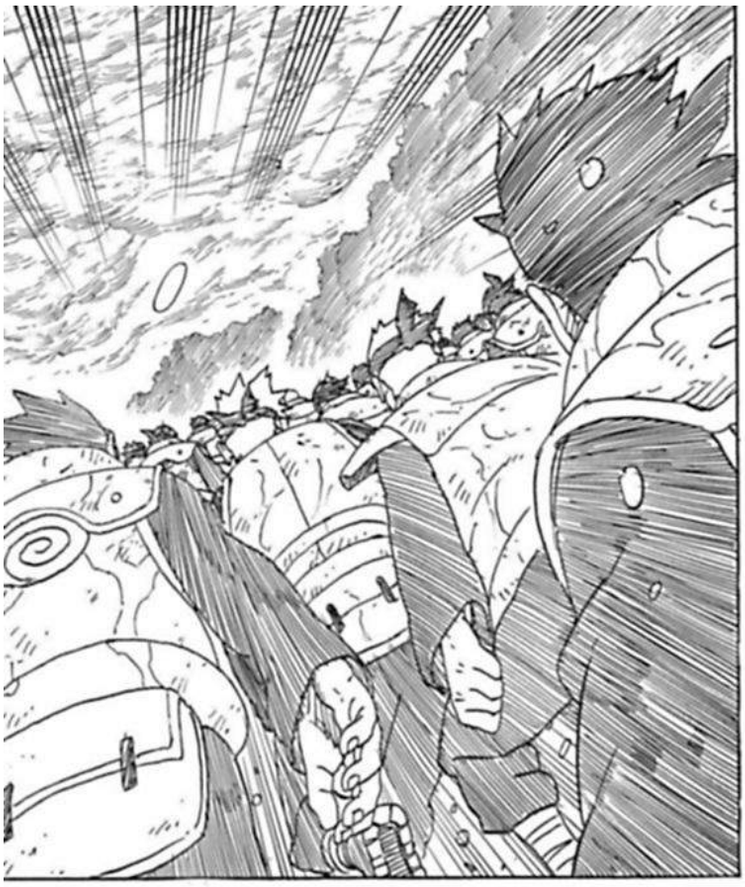
HUF

HUF

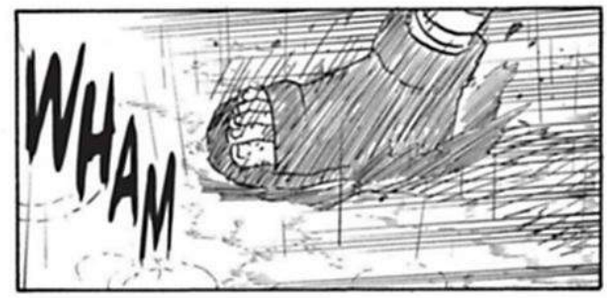
THAT'S... HOW MIGHTY YOUR HEART IS.

YEAH...

CAPTAIN...



WOOSH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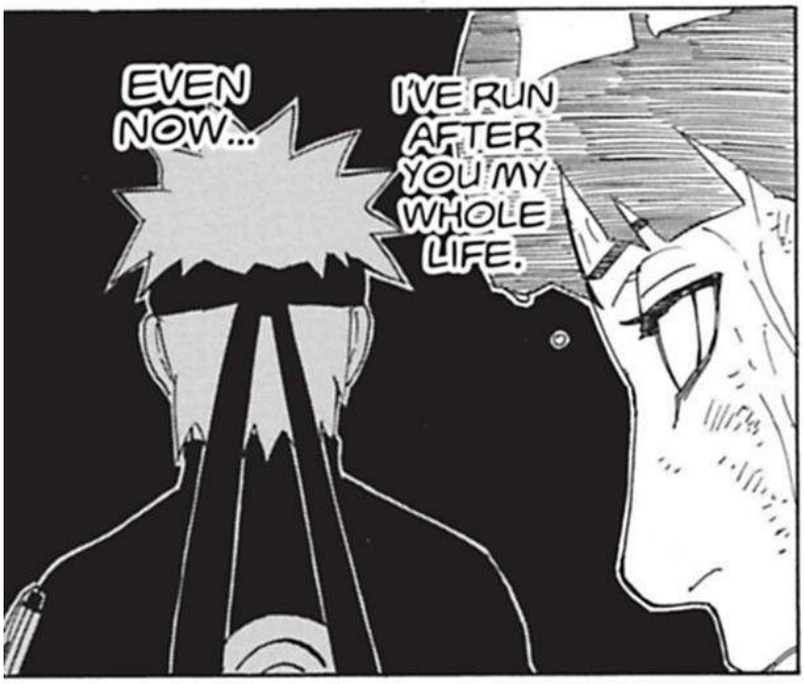
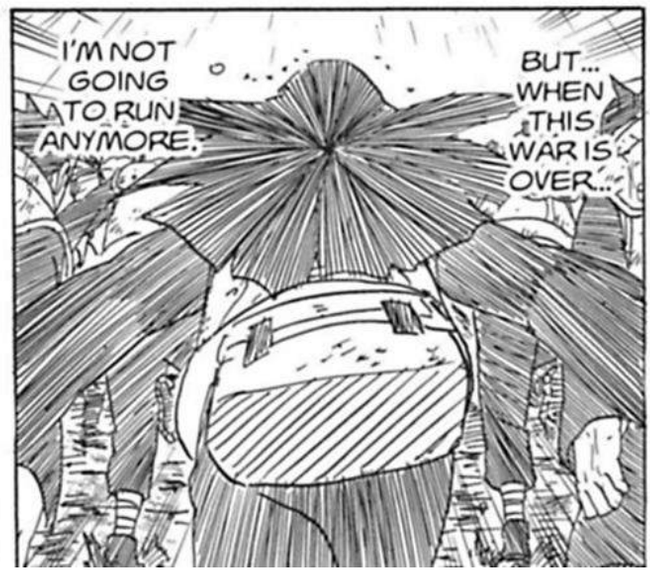

EVEN NOW...
I'VE RUN AFTER YOU MY WHOLE LIFE.

NARUTO...

...


I'M NOT GOING TO RUN ANYMORE.
BUT... WHEN THIS WAR IS OVER...

SLOOSH

SO PLEASE WAIT FOR ME!!
TAK

AND I'LL WALK WITH YOU BY YOUR SIDE.
I'LL STAND WITH YOU. I'LL HOLD YOUR HAND.

...AS MY RIVAL!
NARUTO... I SET MY EYE ON YOU AGES AGO...

NO LONG LECTURES. I WON'T HOLD BACK!
I WILL COME TO NARUTO'S AID IN FULL!

KEEP KICKING MADARA'S BUTT UNTIL I GET THERE!!
TAK

BUT HE'S SURPRISINGLY RESOURCEFUL.
HE IS OFTEN RECKLESS.

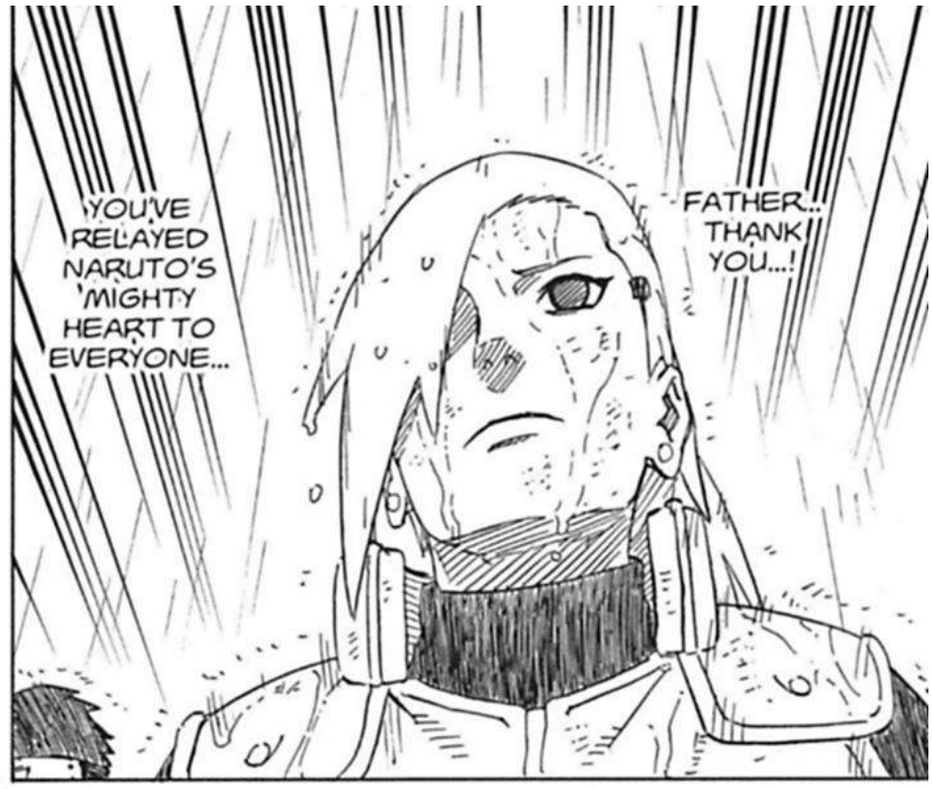
NARUTO IS DOING WELL.

SKINNY CHOJI IS COMING TO SAVE SMART NARUTO!
PEOPLE THINK NARUTO'S DUMB AND I'M FAT.
BUT OUTER APPEARANCES DECEIVE!

SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH

BUT I AM! AND I'M COMING TO HELP YOU, NARUTO!
HE'S NOT A STRATEGIST.

AND NOW... WE MUST BRING TRUE YOUR PREDICTION!
TAK


YOU'VE RELAYED NARUTO'S MIGHTY HEART TO EVERYONE...
FATHER... THANK YOU...!

SLOOSH

IS HE PROTECTING NARUTO?!
IS MASTER GUY ALL RIGHT?
MASTER KAKASHI IS WITH HIM, SO HE MUST BE OKAY!

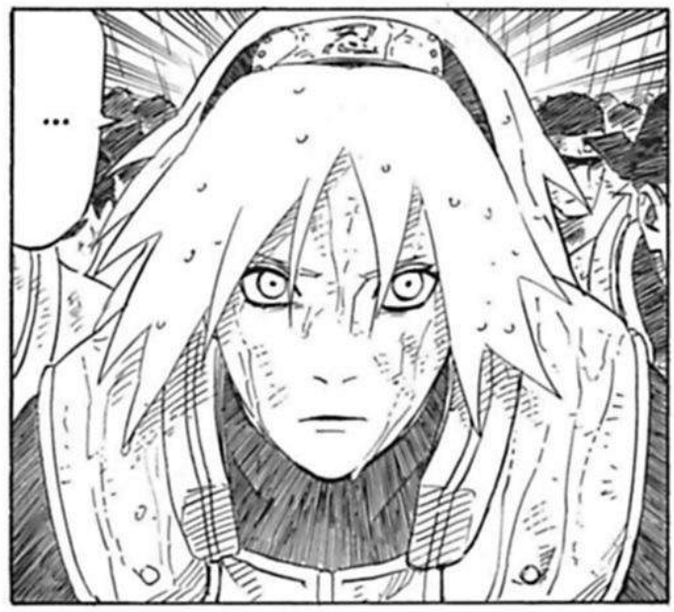
FOLLOW MASTER GUY'S AND NARUTO'S EXAMPLES!
THIS IS THE TIME FOR EACH OF US TO EXCEED OURSELVES.

IF IT WASN'T RAINING, WE COULD RIDE ON MY CARTOON BEASTS.
SPEED UP YOUR FEET RATHER THAN WAGGING YOUR TONGUE, SAI!!

TM
P

YES.
THIS IS CAMARADERIE, NARUTO. I ONLY KNOW THE FEELING BECAUSE OF YOU.

AND NOW YOU'RE TRYING TO SAVE THE WORLD.
NARUTO... YOU SAVED KONOHA.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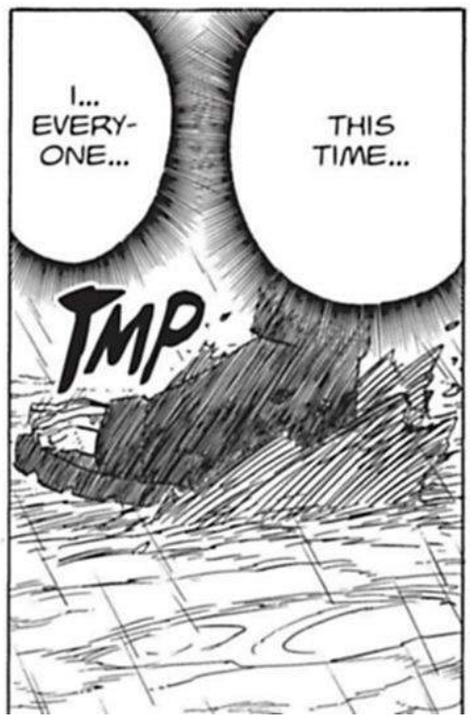
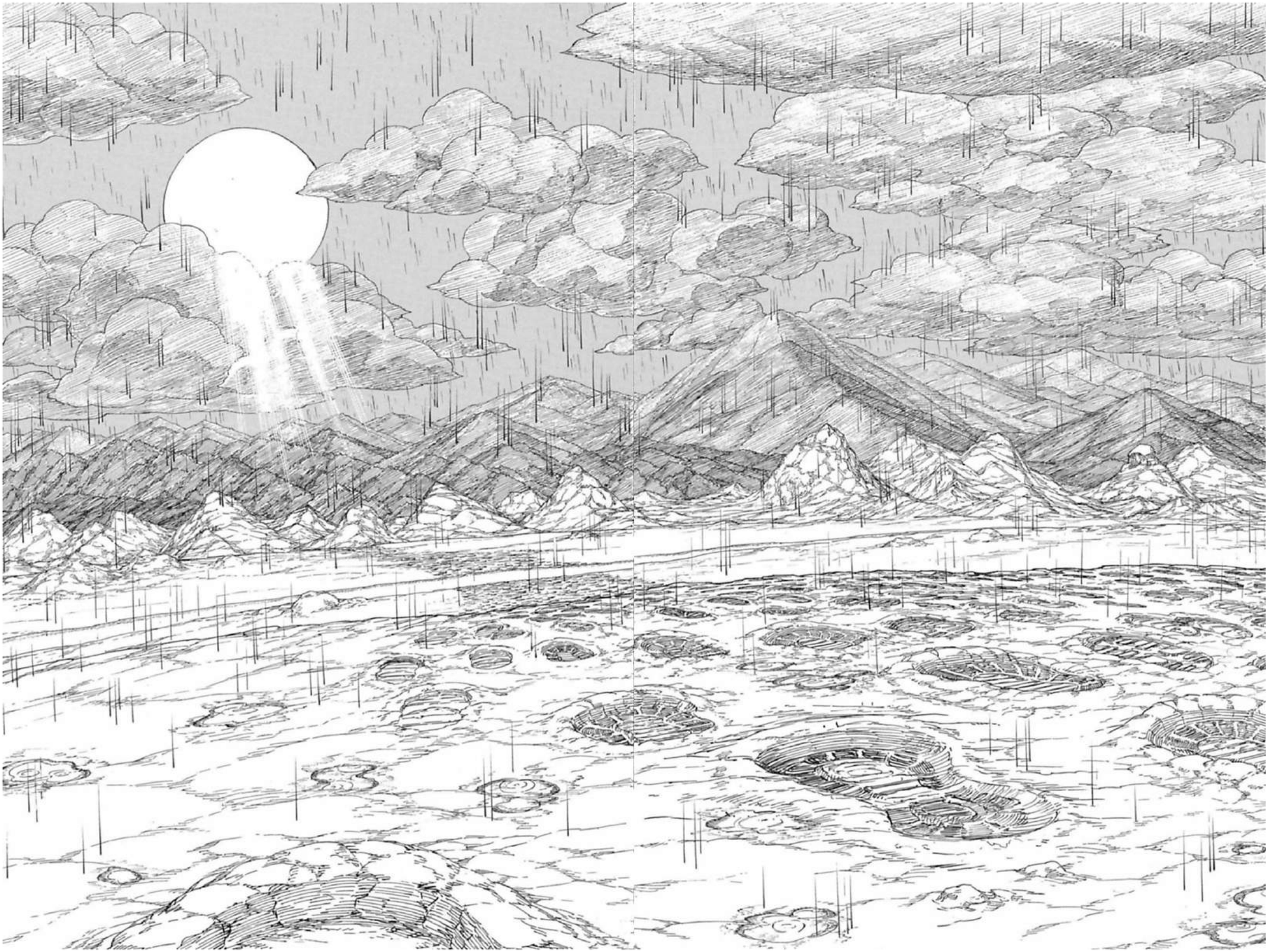
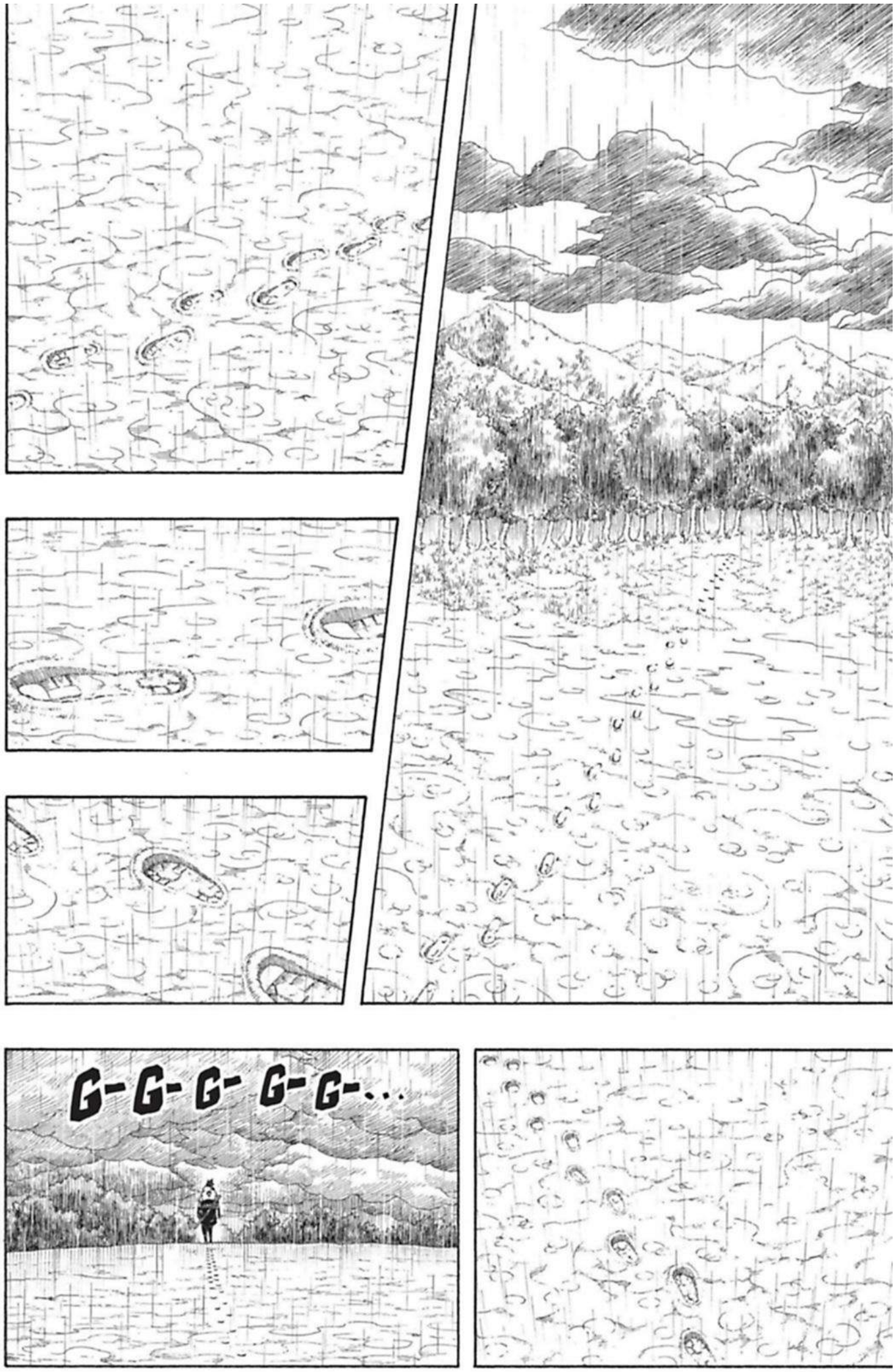
WE ALL STAND WITH YOU!!


I... EVERY-ONE...
THIS TIME...
TMP

PEOPLE TRUST YOU TO DO THE IMPOSSIBLE...

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SHOOK
Sss...
RRRRRR.....

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Koichi Nishiya

AIEE
Number 574:
Eyes That See in the Dark
HE'S SOOOOO HAAAANDSOME ♡

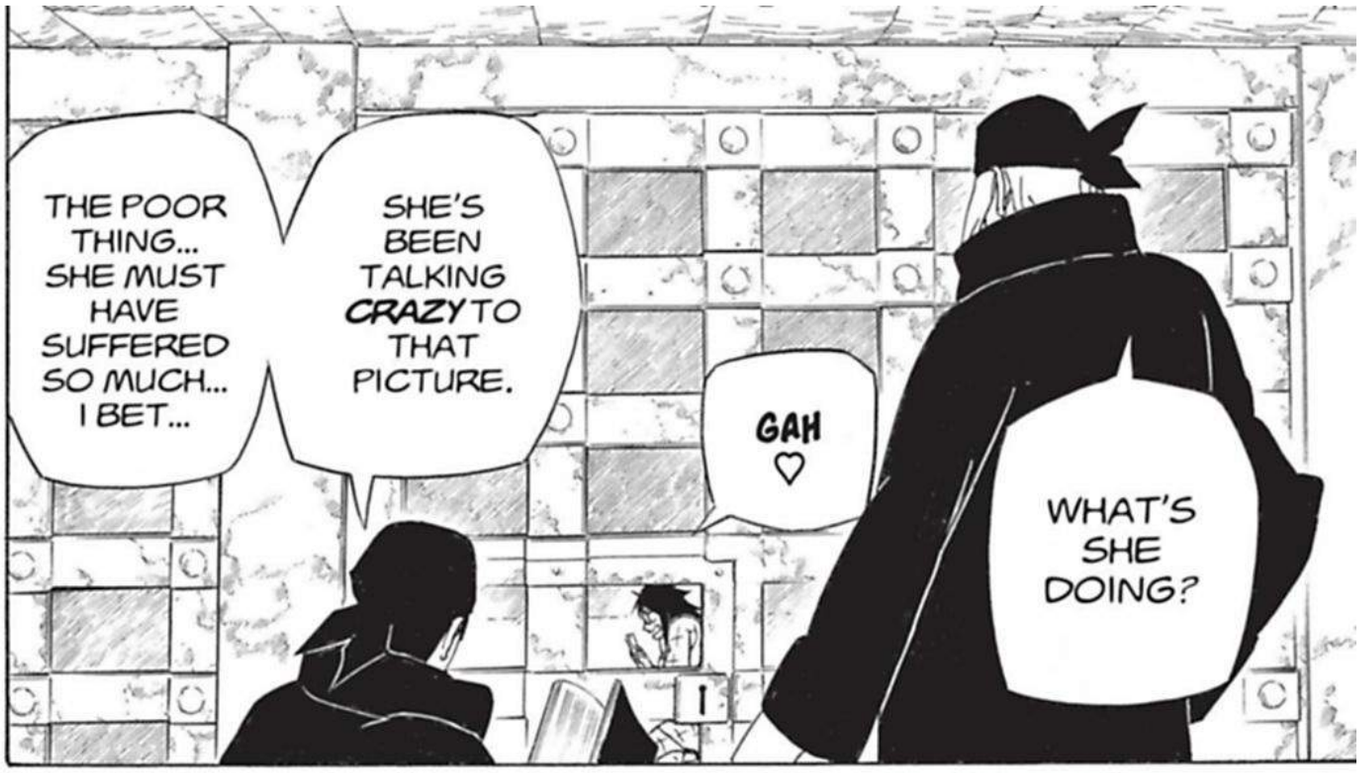
YOU !!

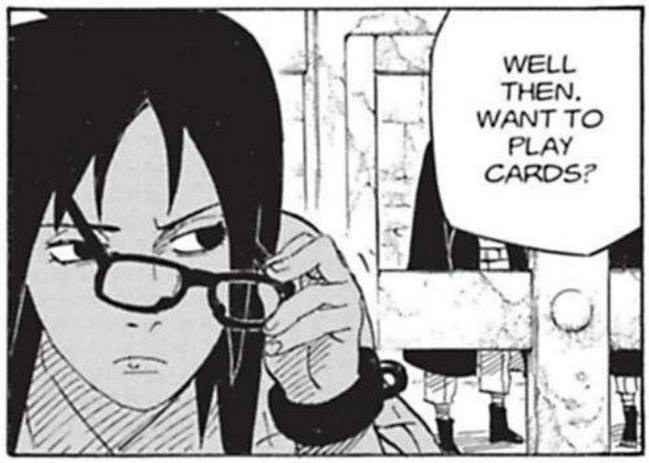
GR RR!!
...BUT HOW DARE HE TRY TO KILL ME!!
GAK

NO FORGIVE-NESS!!
NO!!! THIS IDIOT TRIED TO...

IDIOT !!! BUT I STILL WANT YOU... ♡
WHU
MP

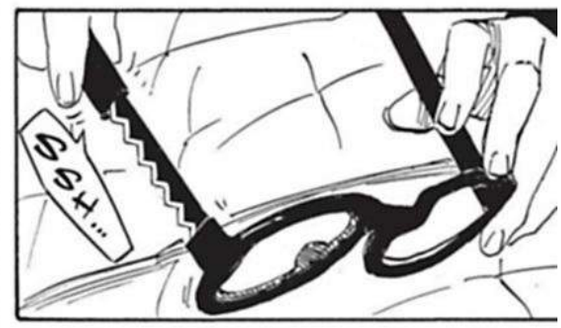
SCREECH


THE POOR THING... SHE MUST HAVE SUFFERED SO MUCH... I BET...
SHE'S BEEN TALKING CRAZY TO THAT PICTURE.
GAH ♡
WHAT'S SHE DOING?


WELL THEN. WANT TO PLAY CARDS?

AREN'T WE SUPPOSED TO CONFISCATE THAT?
AAH... THE ONE OF SASUKE...?
SHE'S A LOT QUIETER WITH IT, SO...
WE TRIED, BUT SHE WENT WILD, JUST WILD!

ACCORDING TO THESE BIRDS...
...THERE'S A WAR GOING ON... RIGHT?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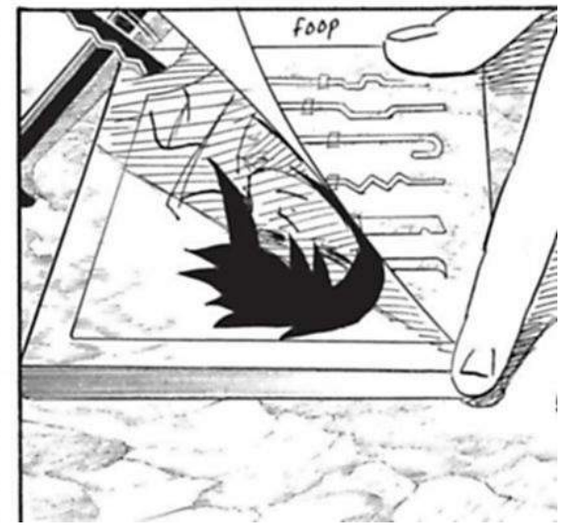
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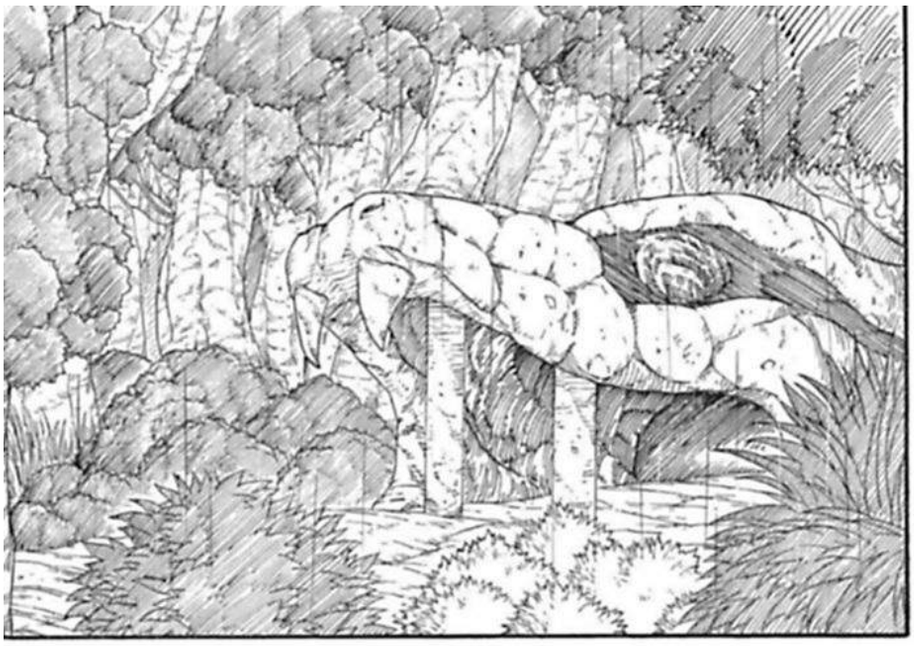


...BEFORE WE GET MIXED UP IN THIS CONFLICT!
WE NEED TO FIND SASUKE...

IS HE OUT ON ANOTHER RAMPAGE?
SASUKE, KARIN, JUGO... SNAKE OR HAWK...
THEY'RE ALL REPREHENSIBLE, EXCEPT ME.

IT WOULD BE GREAT IF SASUKE COULD BE HERE AT HIS HIDEOUT.
SHUP

UGH...

...
WHY ARE YOU HERE? ARE YOU ON TEAM HAWK JUST TO CAUSE TROUBLE WITH SASUKE AND KARIN?
I'M HERE BECAUSE I MADE A PROMISE TO KIMIMARO.

OH YEAH?! WELL, I'M ALWAYS CONCERNED ABOUT YOU. JUST HAVING YOU AROUND KEEPS ME ON PINS AND NEEDLES.
SOMETHING'S ALWAYS BOTHERED ME ABOUT YOU.

I WANT TO BREAK EVERYTHING IN TWO!

RRK

HEH HEH! I WOULD *LOVE* TO BREAK THOSE TWO LOSERS UP FOR GOOD!

RRRK

I CAN'T HELP IT!!

BUT SASUKE IS THE WORST OF ALL!

HUMPH...

!

UNH

YOU'RE REPREHEN-SIBLE, YOU KNOW THAT?

GAAAAR!! DIE!!

OOSH

ZW

I HATE YOU ALL!

I LEAD YOU IDIOTS TO WATER!

AND YOU JUST SPLASH IT IN MY FACE INSTEAD OF DRINKING!

BA
KOOM
SPLAASH
...

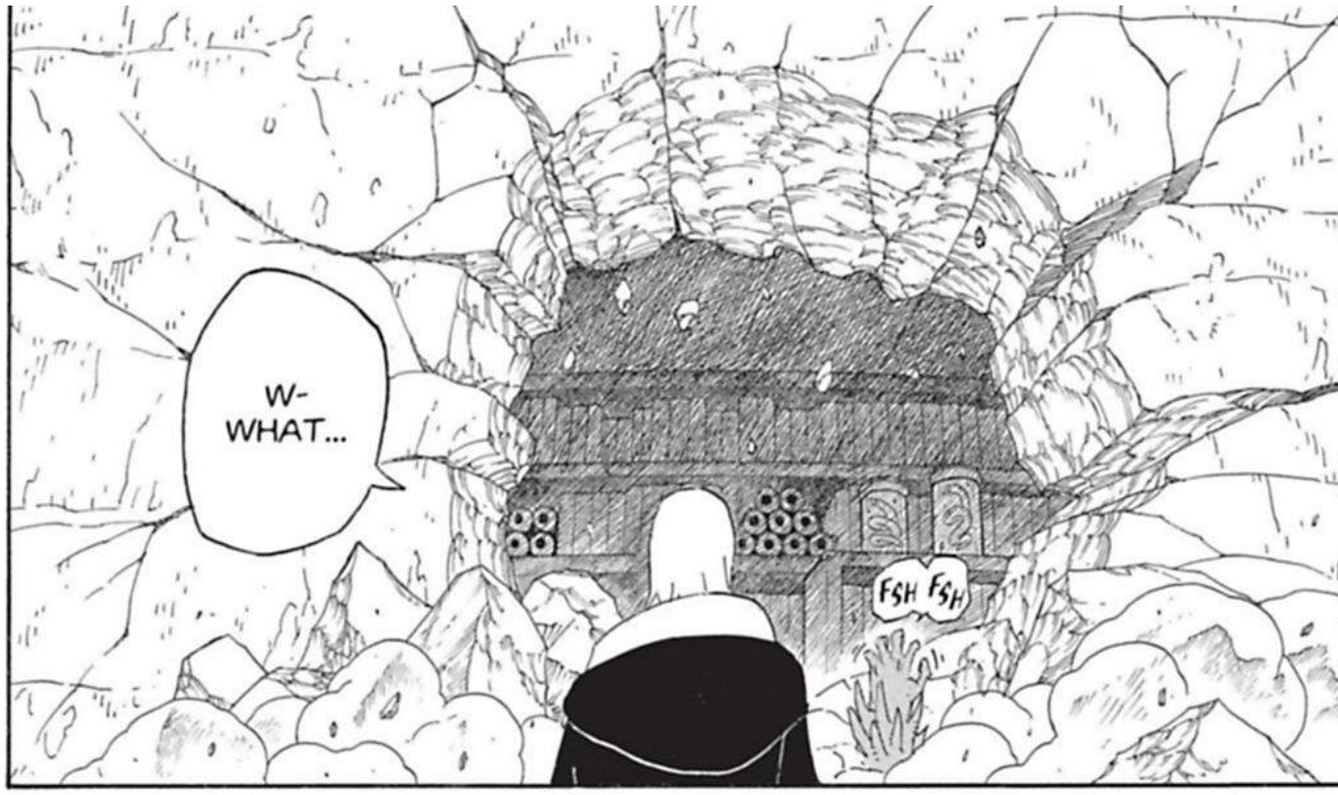
NWOO...
I HATE YOU THE MOST OF ALL!!

GLUB GLUB GLUB...

!
HUF
HUF
SPLISH PLISH

THD
KLATTER
?!
KLATTER

BAM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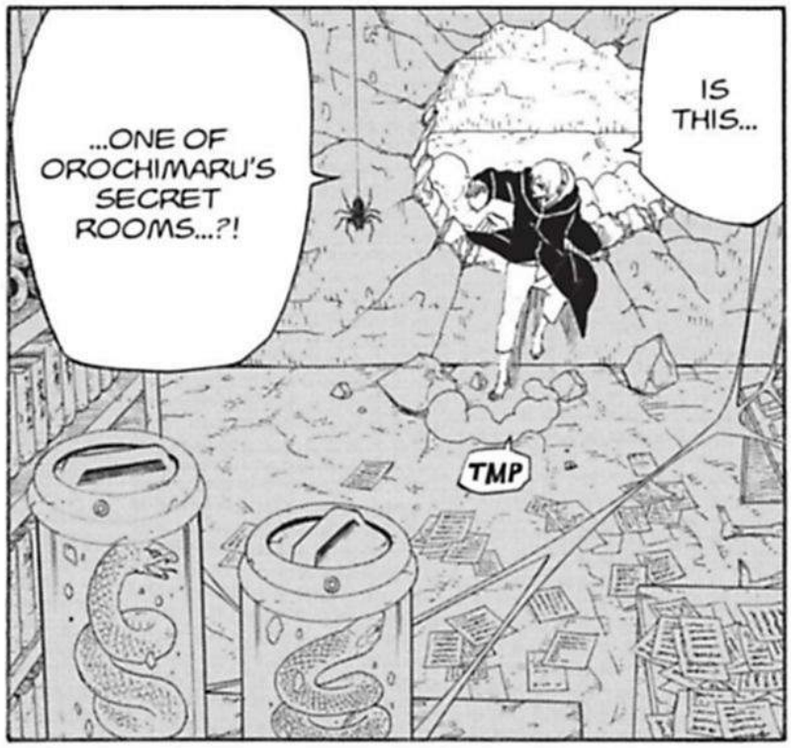
FSH FSH


IS
THIS...
...ONE OF
OROCHIMARU'S
SECRET
ROOMS...?!
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I'VE BEEN
HERE
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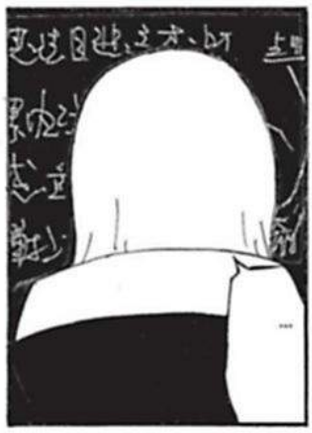
...BUT I
NEVER
KNEW...

ZWOOP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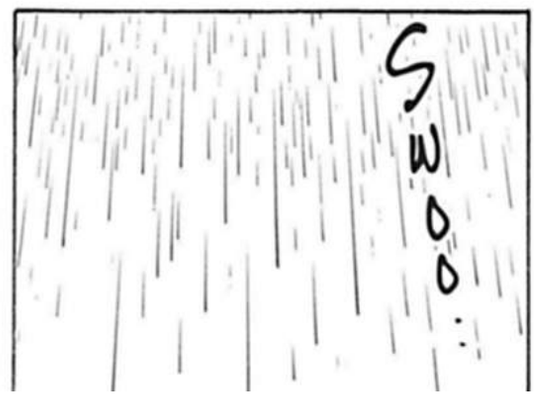
WHAT? THIS IS...? OROCHIMARU PLANNED ALL OF THIS?!

THIS INTEL... IT COULD CHANGE THE WHOLE OUTCOME OF THE WAR!



WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

SO YOU'VE COME RUNNING AFTER ME.

IT SEEMED REALLY ODD... DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT?

I PASSED BY TWO TOWNS ON MY WAY HERE, BUT THEY WERE BOTH DESERTED...

?!

...OR NOT... IT SEEMS.

ESPECIALLY SINCE YOU OUTNUMBER ME THIS TIME.

IF YOU HATE IT THAT MUCH THAT I'M OUTSIDE, YOU OUGHT TO CAPTURE ME.

HOW COME YOU'RE OUTSIDE ?!

WE'LL DO THE QUESTIONING!

TAK

YOU... HAVE YOU DONE SOMETHING TO OUR ORIGINAL...?!

WITH THIS MANY OF YOU, I HOPE IT'S MORE OF A CHALLENGE THIS TIME...

SSSSH...

SHOOM SHOOM

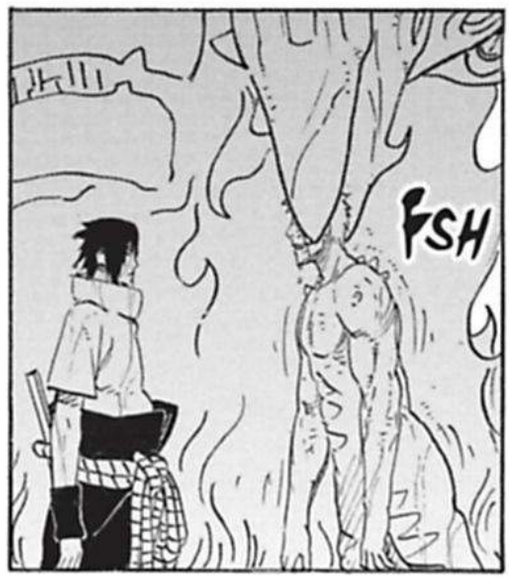
SUSANO'O!!
!!

THD
WAAAH!!
THD
AARGH!!

FFSSH
FFSSH
WOOSH...
FFSSH
FFSSH

...

SHARINGAN!!
SHIKEN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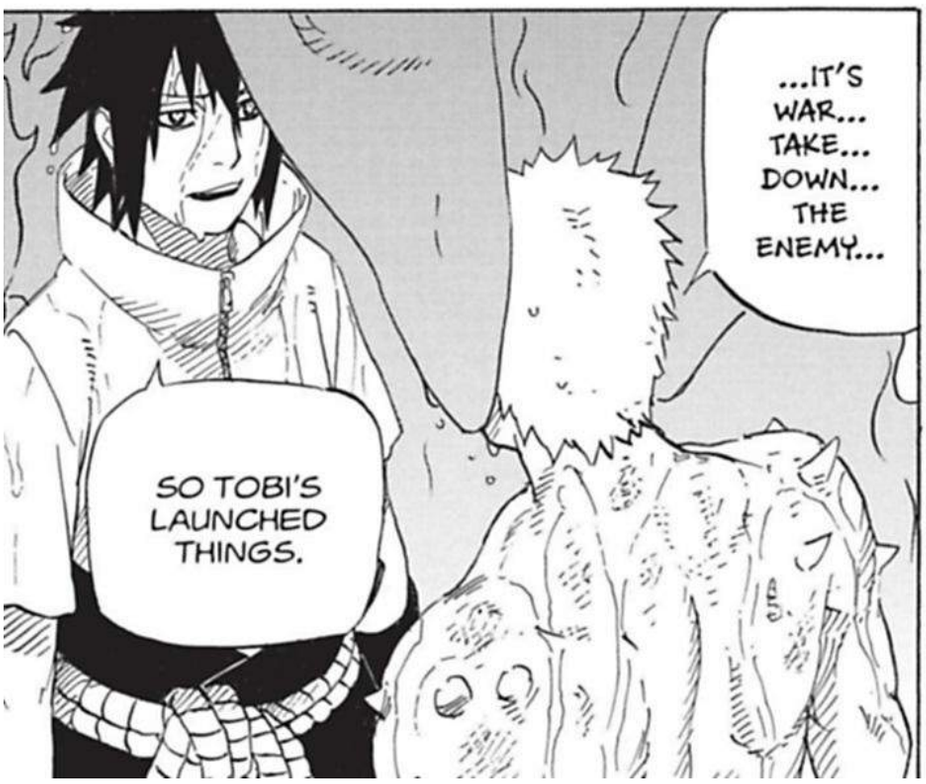
WHAM


...IT'S WAR... TAKE... DOWN... THE ENEMY...
SO TOBI'S LAUNCHED THINGS.

WHAM

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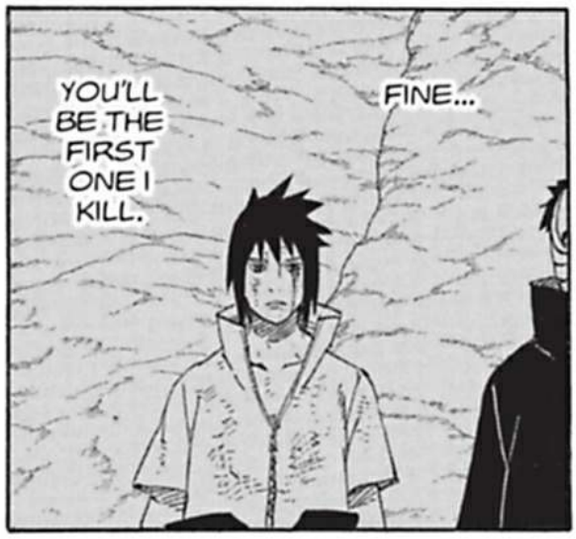
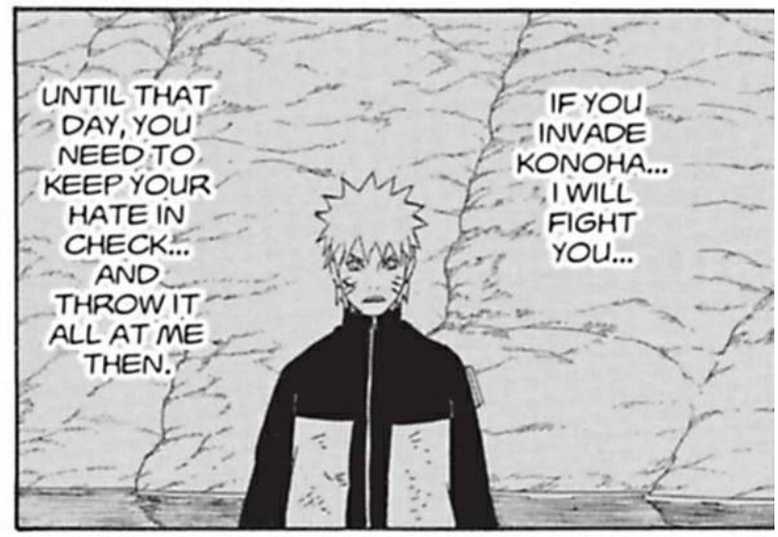
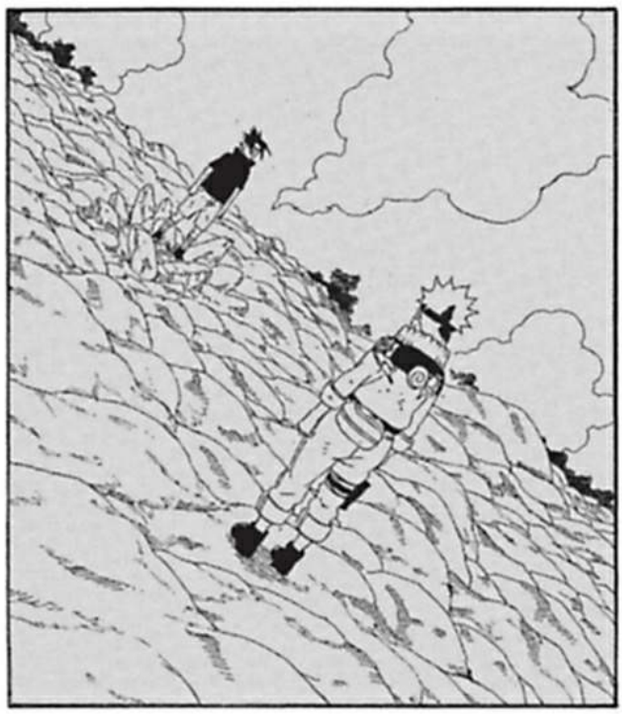
CAPTURE... KILLER BEE... AND... UZUMAKI... NARUTO...


YOU'LL BE THE FIRST ONE I KILL.
FINE...


UNTIL THAT DAY, YOU NEED TO KEEP YOUR HATE IN CHECK... AND THROW IT ALL AT ME THEN.
IF YOU INVADE KONOHA... I WILL FIGHT YOU...



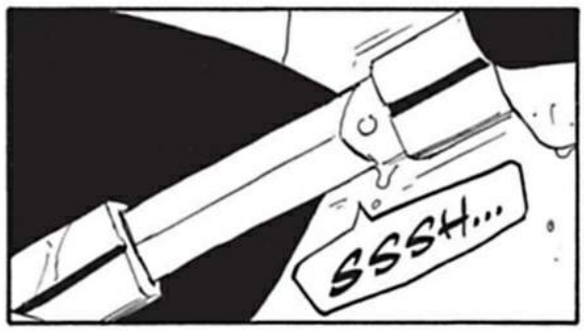
IF YOU DON'T... HURRY... MORE AND MORE...WILL JOIN UP... WITH... HIM.

HEH...
...

I WILL BECOME STRONGER. MUCH STRONGER.
IF I CUT OUR BOND...

AND... PAIN IS WHAT MAKES PEOPLE STRONG.
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE LIKE ME. YOU FEEL THE PAIN OF BEING ALONE.

AND ISN'T THIS EXACTLY WHAT YOU KONOHA SHINOBI HAVE WANTED ALL ALONG?
I FEEL THE UCHIHA BECOMING FREED FROM THIS ROTTING SHINOBI WORLD.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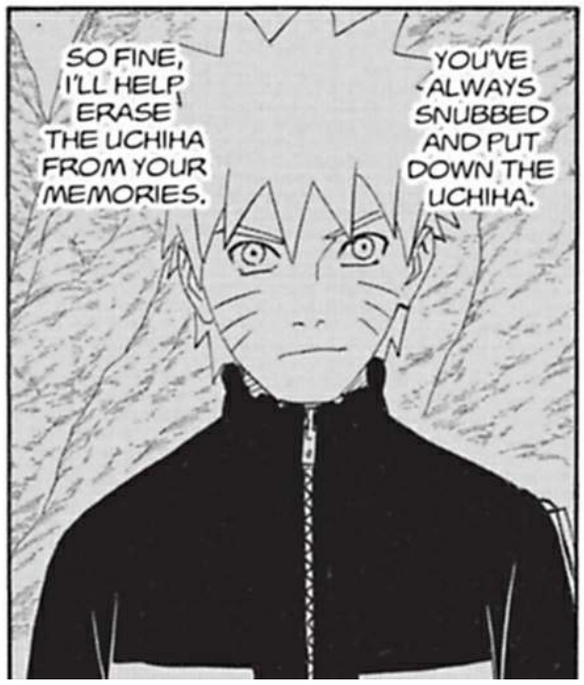

SO FINE, I'LL HELP ERASE THE UCHIHA FROM YOUR MEMORIES.
YOU'VE ALWAYS SNUBBED AND PUT DOWN THE UCHIHA.

KLAK
WHAT TRUE STRENGTH IS...?
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN, NARUTO...?

IT'S TIME TO FINALLY CUT YOU DOWN!!

IT'S TIME FOR ME TO FIND YOU.

FOOM

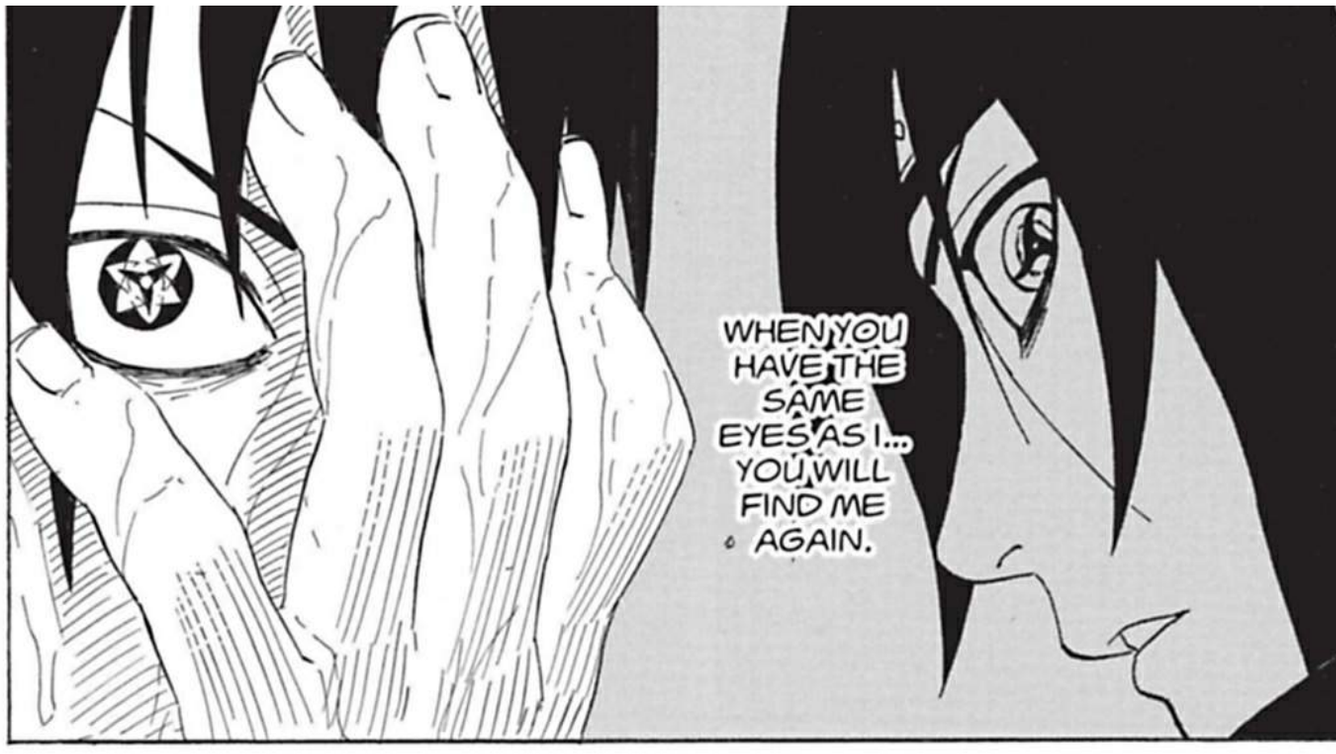
GRRRRR

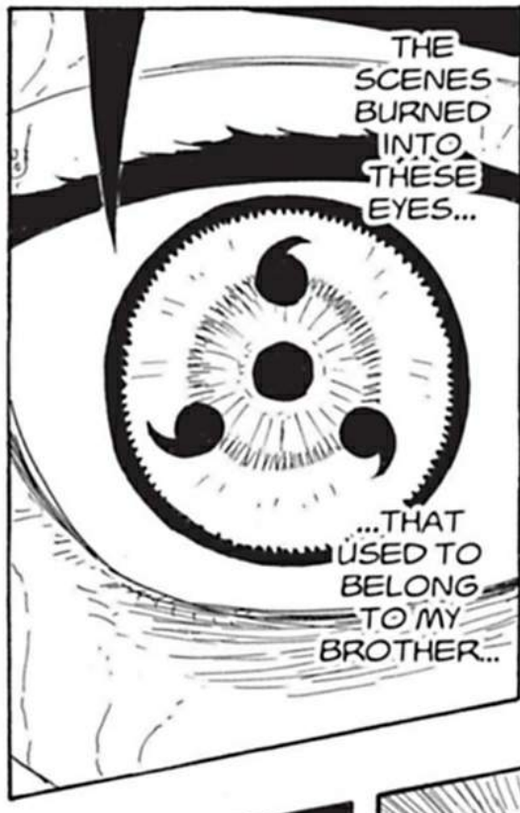
FSH

YOU'RE NOT PART OF THE PROMISE...
YOU'RE NOT KONOHA SHINOBI...
SHE EN

I'M GETTING USED TO THESE NEW EYES OF MINE, BROTHER.

AARGH!!
SLAM

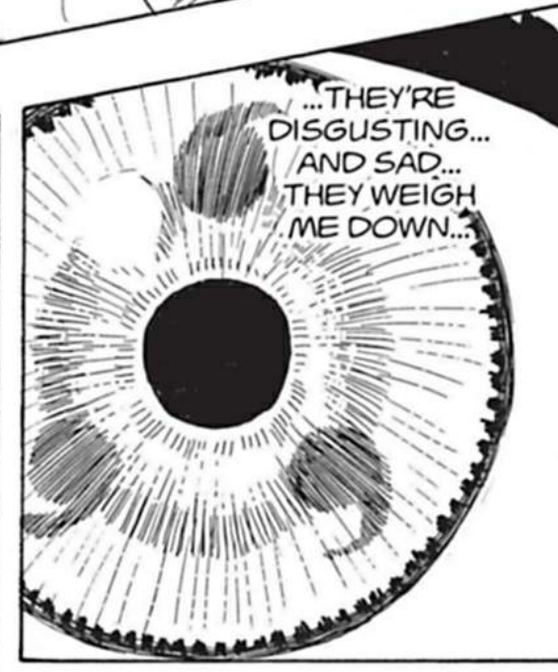

WHEN YOU HAVE THE SAME EYES AS I... YOU WILL FIND ME AGAIN.


THE SCENES BURNED INTO THESE EYES...
...THAT USED TO BELONG TO MY BROTHER...

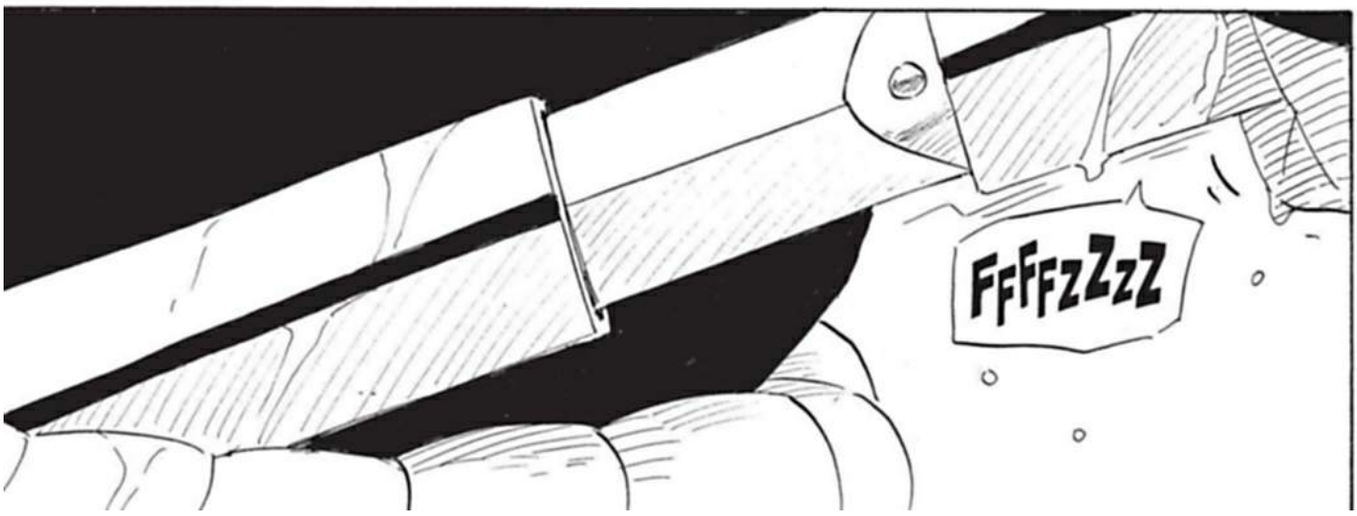
...
WSH

...BROTHER...

BUT THAT'S ONLY FITTING... JUST YOU WATCH...


...THEY'RE DISGUSTING... AND SAD... THEY WEIGH ME DOWN...

SSSH...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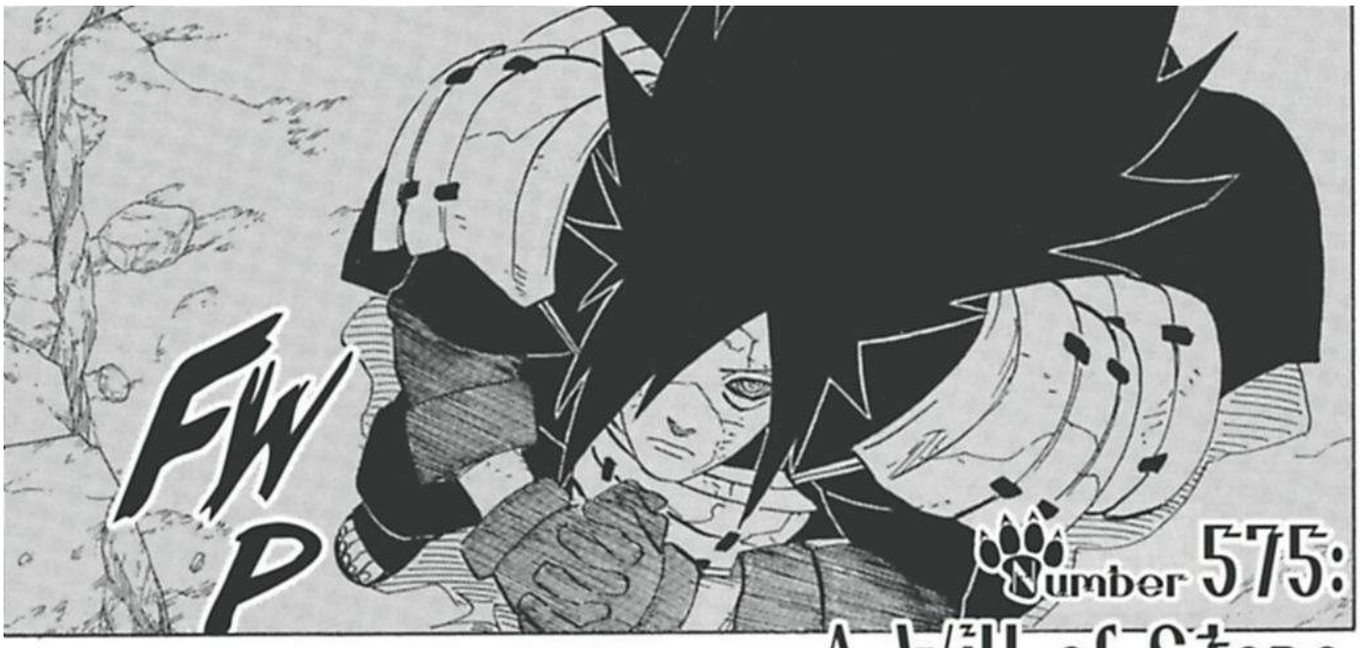
NARUTO



Number 575: A Will of Stone

UGH!!
BAM
THD
THD
THD

THAT'S... GRAND-FATHER'S...!!

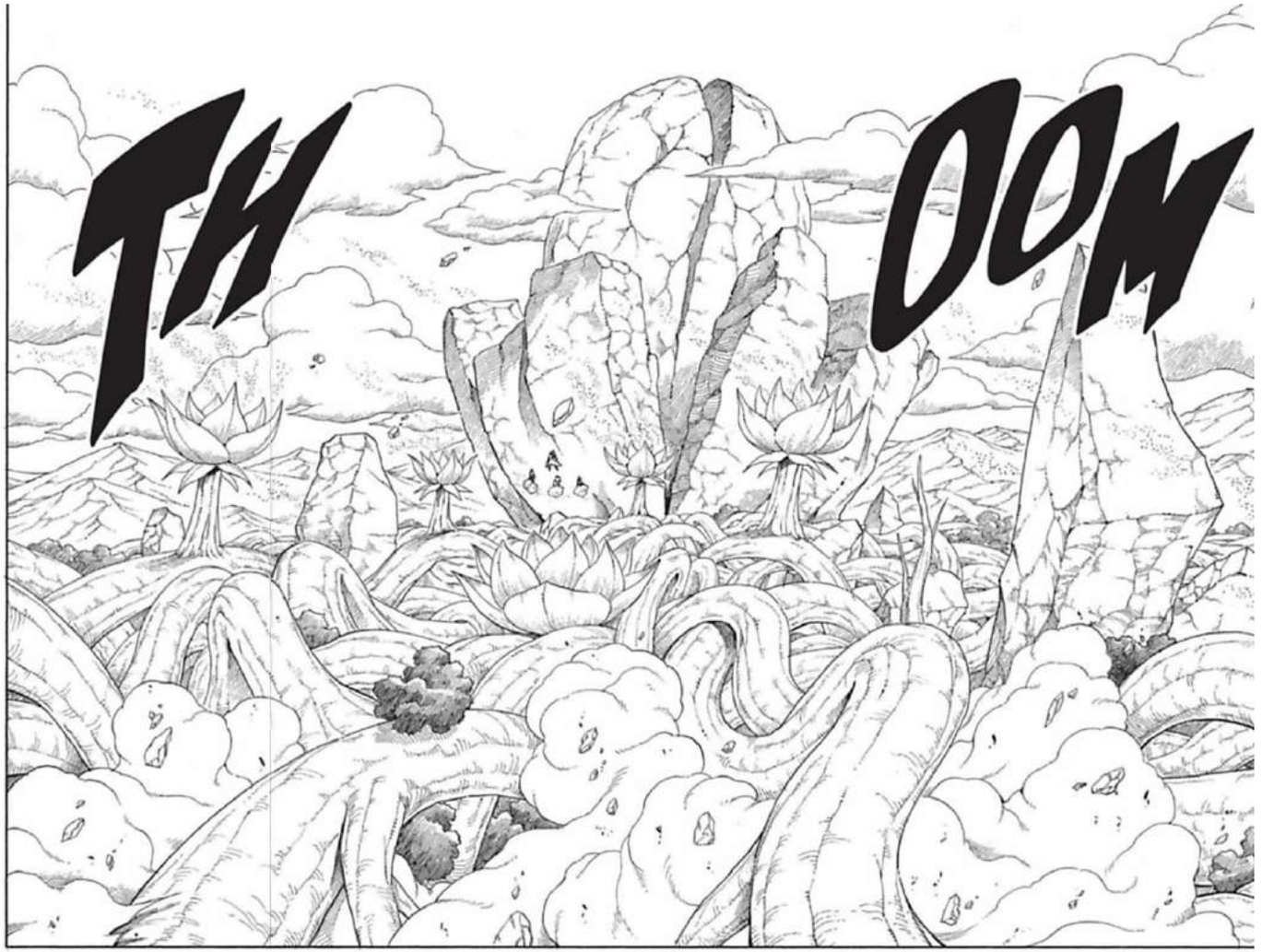
KAZE-KAGE!!
IT'S COMING RIGHT AT US! WHAT DO WE DO?!

I KNOW !!
FSH

SHWOOOO
...!
ZWW

DEEP FOREST BLOOM !!
WHUD

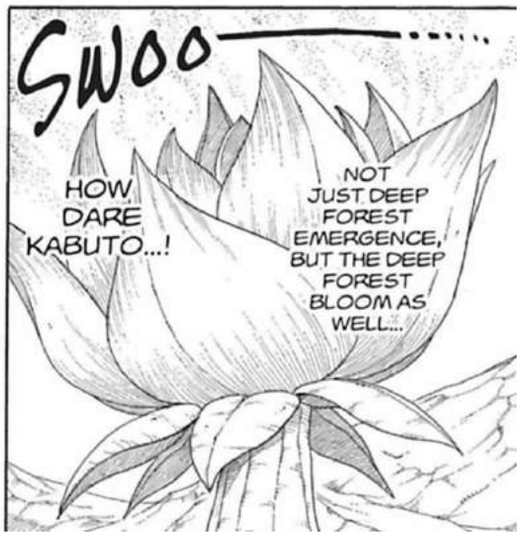
EVERYONE, BEWARE OF THE POLLEN! DON'T INHALE ANY!
WHAT IS THAT?
FSSH FSSH
SUCH POWER. A FOREST IN AN INSTANT!


TH
OOM

WAIT!!

IT'S TIME TO SHOW THEM THAT ALL THE MYTHS WERE REAL!

IN FACT, MANY DOUBT THAT HIS POWER WAS EVER AS STRONG AS LEGENDS SAY. JUST LIKE THEY THINK THE SAGE OF THE SIX PATHS' POWER WAS ALSO A FAIRY TALE.
THERE IS NO SHINOBI ALIVE TODAY, WHO IS AS POWERFUL AS THE FIRST HOKAGE, SENJU HASHIRAMA.


SWOO
HOW DARE KABUTO...!
NOT JUST DEEP FOREST EMERGENCE, BUT THE DEEP FOREST BLOOM AS WELL...

FWOOSH
!!

THK THK THK THK
UGH!
UNH!

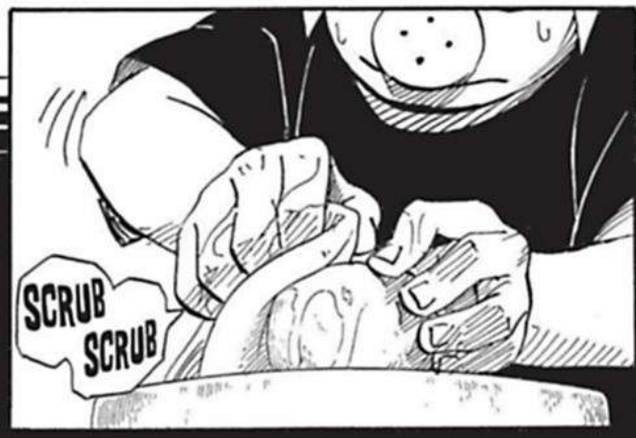
KRAK KRAK
THD THD THD THD

YOU'RE TOO DISTRACTED BY THE FLOWERS...!

FZZZ
FIRE STYLE!
ZZZ
HEH. TIME TO BURN THINGS UP.
TMP
WOO
SH
MAJESTIC DEMOL-ISHER FLAME!!

WATER STYLE!
!!
FSH

FZZZ
FZZZ
FZZZ
SHAK
UNH



HIS RHYMES AND PUNS ARE KILLING ME...

HEYA, THE LEFT SIDE IS DIRTY!

WAFT
WAFT

THAT'S A STONE OF IWAGAKURE!

YOU NEED TO LEARN TO BE TRUE AND SURE. SCRUB TILL YOUR HANDS BLUR!

READ THIS WAY
AND THIS ROCK CARRIES WITHIN IT OUR VILLAGE'S WILL OF STONE!
OHNOKI... I CAN TELL A STONE'S WORTH JUST BY LOOKING AT IT.
HOW-EVER..
WHY DON'T WE HAVE MOUNTAINSIDE SCULPTURES LIKE IN KONOHA? LORD TSUCHIKAGE IS A CHEAPSKATE...
SYMBOL OF OUR VILLAGE OR NOT... IT JUST LOOKS LIKE AN ORDINARY ROCK TO ME!
WIP
YOU'RE RIGHT, THIS IS JUST AN ORDINARY ROCK!!
HUH ?!!
AWW, DON'T BE SUCH A MISER EVEN WITH YOUR WORDS AND USE OUR SYMBOL IN YOUR PUNS...!
?!
...
WHAT ?!!
SEE... IF YOU JUST PUT A NEW ONE ON HERE LIKE THIS, NO ONE WOULD KNOW.
TOK
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, YOU STUPID OLD MAN!!
PLOP
I CAN'T TELL WHICH ONE IT IS!

...

WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THE WILL OF STONE INSIDE YOU.

DISAPPEAR ...?
BUT IF YOU ARE NOT CAREFUL, THAT PRECIOUS WILL OF YOURS MAY DISAPPEAR..

OHNOKI... HIDDEN WITHIN YOUR WILL IS THE POWER TO CHANGE THE WORLD.
WAFT WAFT
YOU SEE... I CAN ALSO TELL THE WORTH OF SOMEONE'S WILL JUST BY LOOKING ATTHEM...

HUF
HUF

AS YOU KEEP RUNNING INTO BARRIERS, YOU MAY ABANDON IT... MAKE EXCUSES, AND EVEN REPLACE IT WITH HATRED.
BARRIERS!

READ THIS WAY
SHUP
HUF
HUF
RRR
RR
NEVER ABANDON IT, AND ALWAYS STRIDE WITH PRIDE!!
LISTEN WELL. YOUR WILL...
CHAK
IT'S AN EXCUSE, BUT...
...
...BUT THERE'S NO STRENGTH IN YOUR STEP!
YOU MAY WANT TO KEEP DANCING...
SHIREN
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KWEEN
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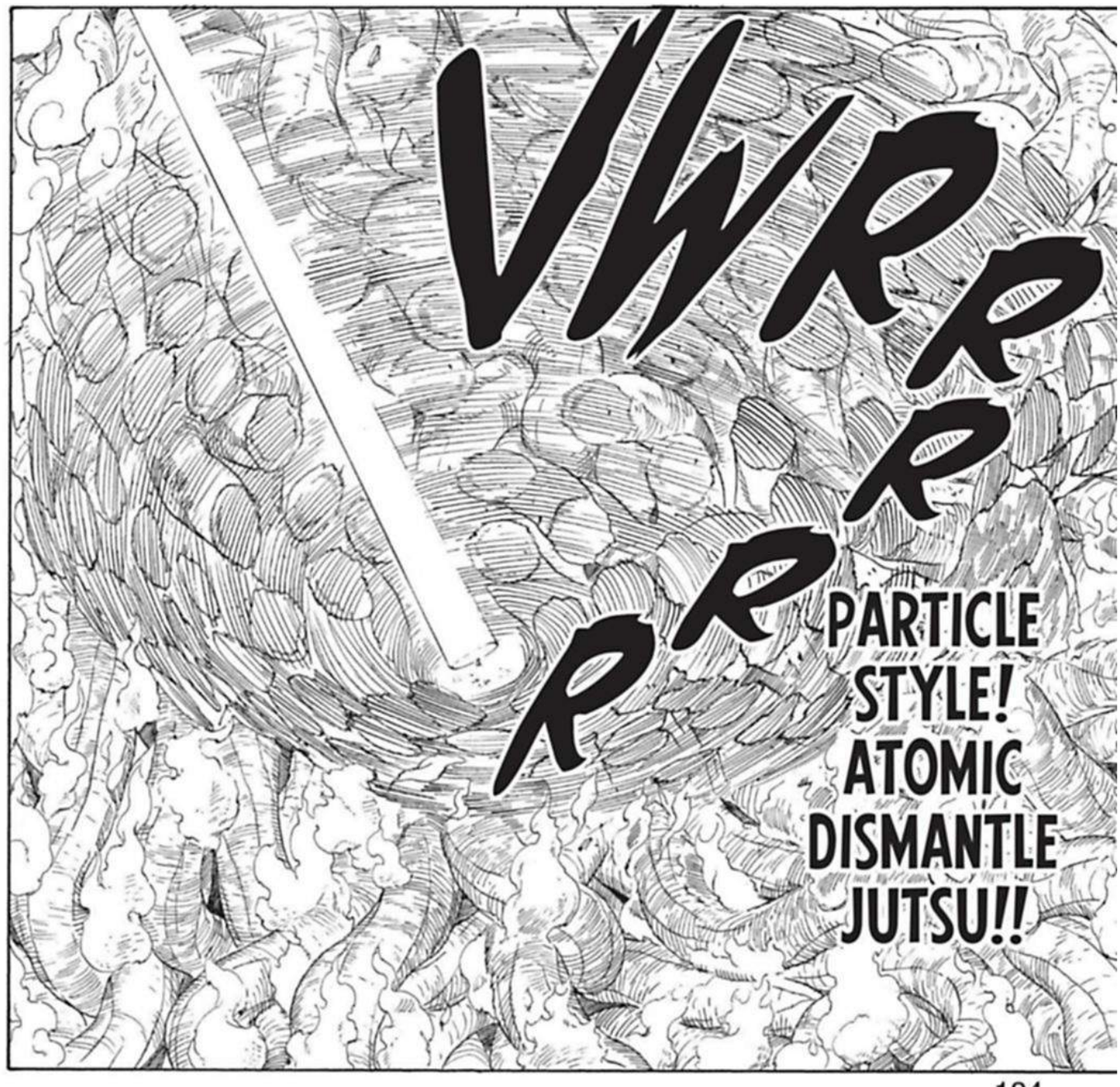
CRACKLE


VWRRRRR
PARTICLE STYLE! ATOMIC DISMANTLE JUTSU!!

HAK
HUF
LOOK AT ME BEING PITIFUL ABOUT AGE.
YOUTH THINK I WAS TOO OLD OR SOMETHING.
FSH
FSH

YOU ALL AWAKE?! GOOD! LET'S GET ON WITH OUR COUNTER-ATTACK!!
SHUP
FSH
WHAT'S THIS?!
!!

YOU DANCE WELL...
BAM

?!

THERE HE IS!!

BUT YOUR STEP IS STILL TOO SHALLOW.

FOOSH

KA

...

WAP WAP WAP
CAW
CAW

SHOO

SHWEEN

TA K

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