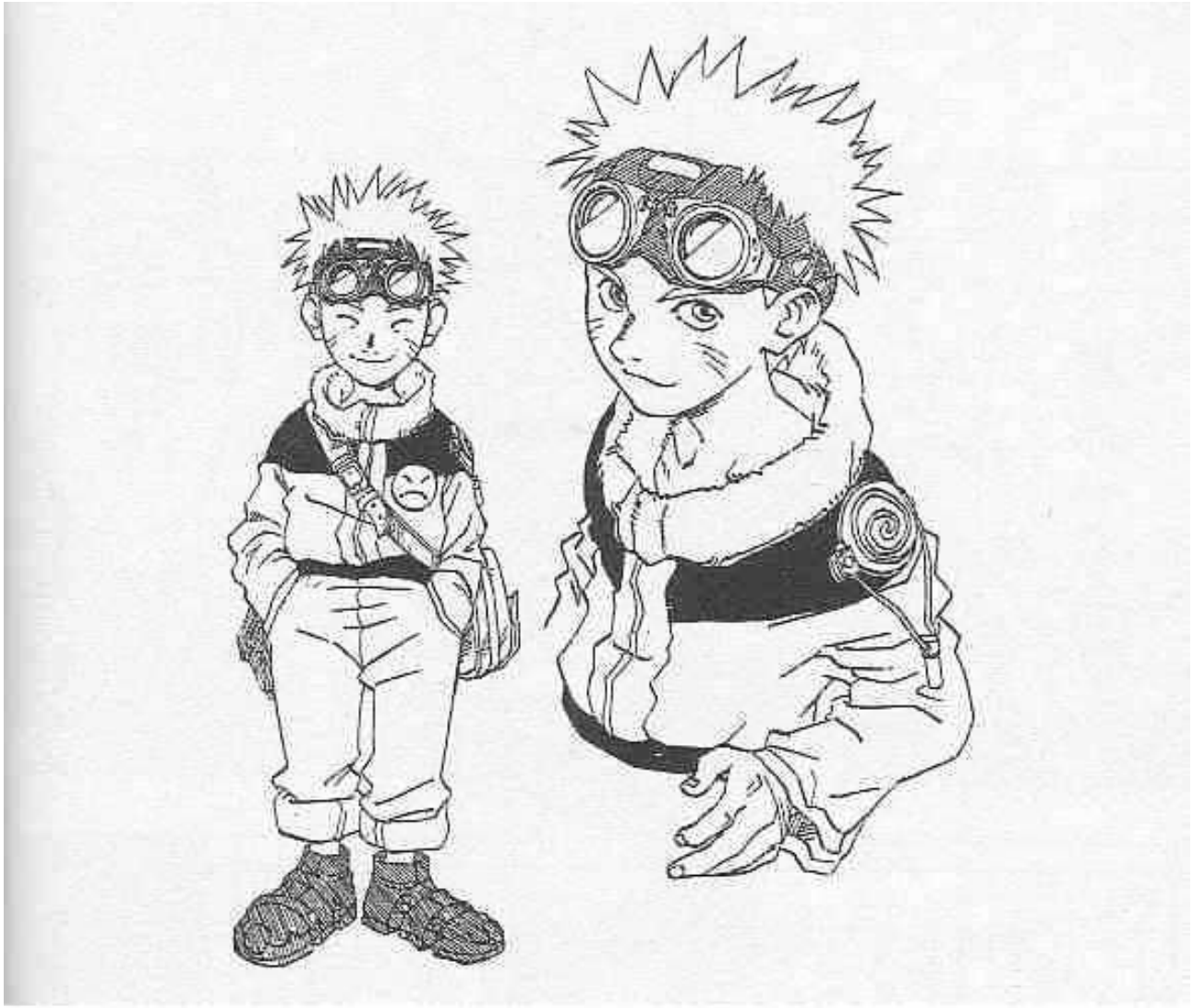
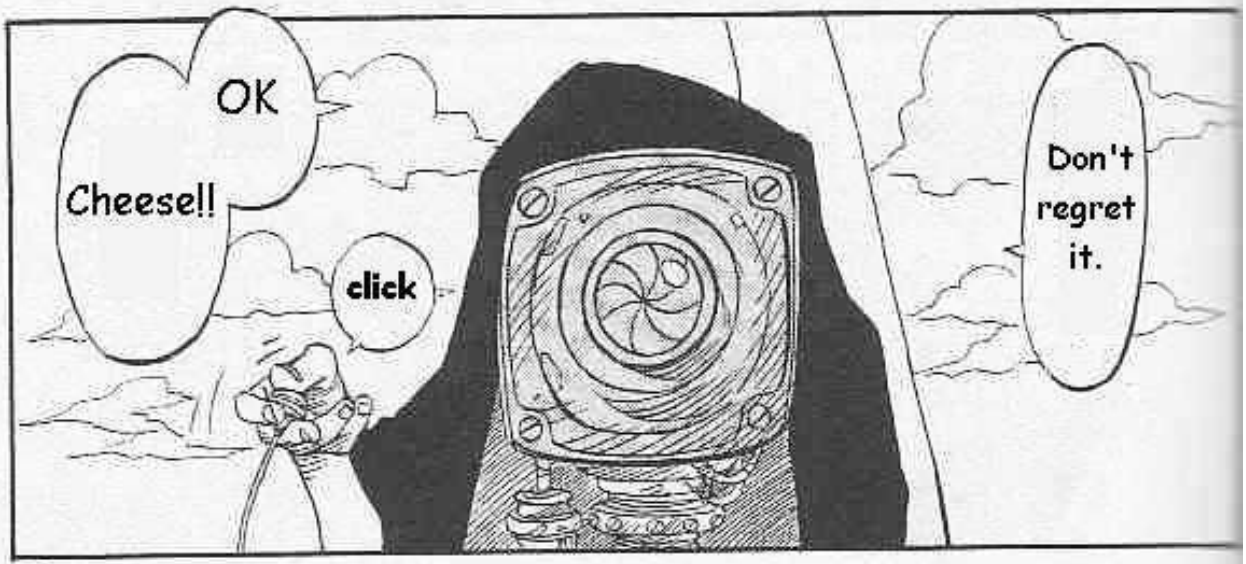


This above picture is the first Naruto I drew. This one wore boots instead of sandals and was shown as a one-shot in Aka Maru Jump. In this one-shot, Naruto was not a ninja manga at all but about demonic magic. The plot was also totally different. For my first manga, I really liked this Naruto character so I decided to use him in my new series. But drawing those goggles every week is a pain!! So I thought up the ninja head protector plate.



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Chapter 2

Ko no Ha Maru!!

Profile-"My hobby is trouble making, favorite food is ramen, especially Miso."

3 hours later I decided on that one!!!
It took me forever to come up with a good face!!!
.....
Retake it!!
It's pretty artistic, eh?!!
Yeah, but, but..!!
kreek
Well... This Ninja Registration book lists all those in the village with high ability... This should be an important document to you, yet... What's with this face?!!
Where's your head plate?
I'm saving it for tomorrow's ceremony, I don't want to damage it.
Well!!! I don't understand stuff like that!!!
!

Old man!!
Fight me!!
sigh..
Does it ever end..?
!!!
Ah!!
Oh!! Not again!!
bam
Owww!!

And there isn't a trap any-where!!
Are you all right?
Konohamaru's tutor
Ebisu
Damn it!! Who set a trap?!
Konoha -maru
ばっ

Bah, the Nine Tails punk, I hate that loser... だな…
…フン！九尾のガキか…
ギロ

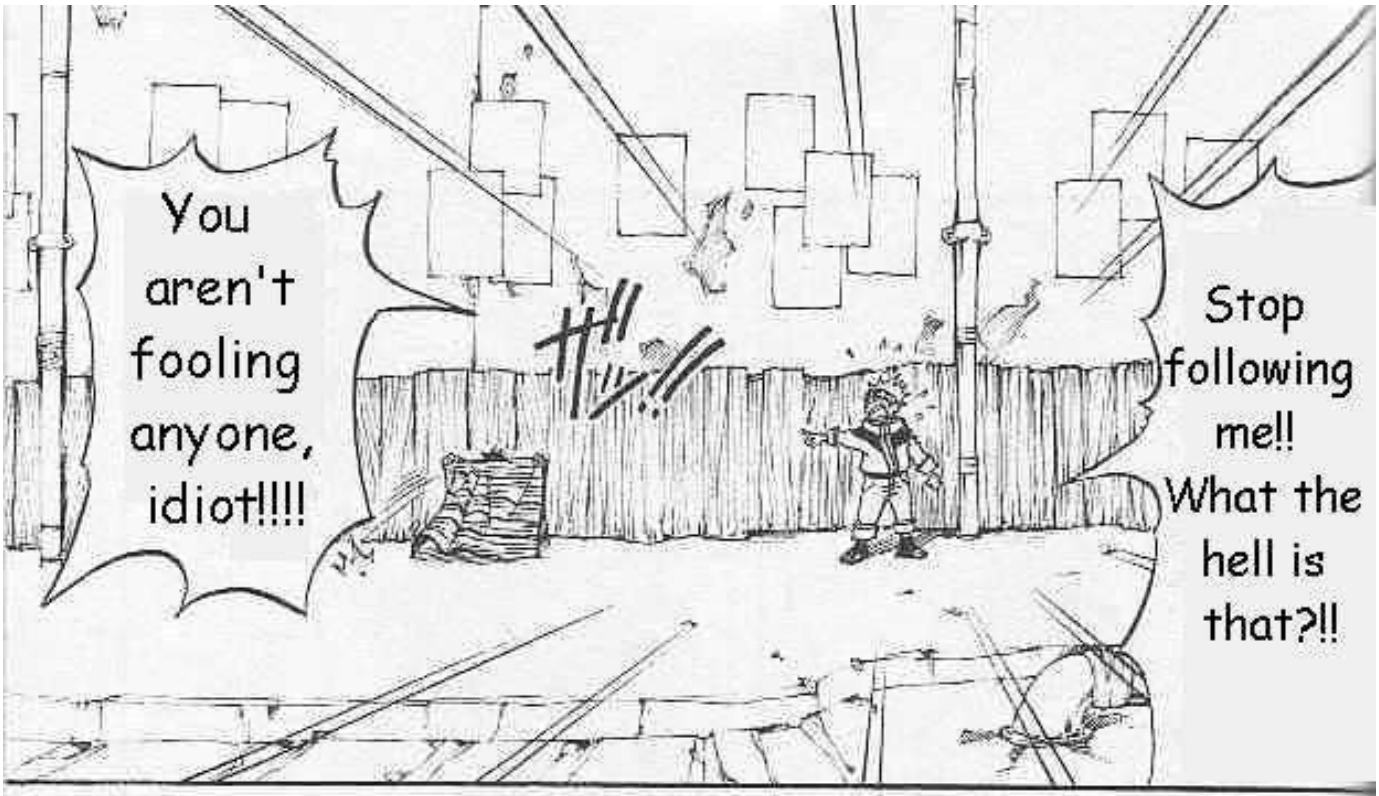
oh, that's …
Hey
Who's this kid...?

…

Hey, Naruto!! Let go of him!! That's the 3rd Hokage-sama's grandson!!

You just tripped on your own, you idiot!!!
I know!!! You did some-thing!!
ナ

Owwch!!
You think I give a damn, moron ?!!!!
Now that he knows who I am, he can't do it..
Go ahead and punch me!!
めがね教師やみんなと同じに決まってるんだ!!
Pft.. He's just the same as my tutor and everyone else..
Geez..
What?!!
Hn?


You aren't fooling anyone, idiot!!!!
Stop following me!! What the hell is that?!!

Ha?
Hey, I'll let you be my boss!!
In ex-change ....

Hehe.. Impressive to see through this.. The rumors about you are true..

!
Please Boss!!
Boss..?

Teach me that "Sexy no Jutsu" you defeated Granpa with!! Please!!!

Was that the 20th surprise today?
What?!! That's bad!!
sigh.. Why did he turn out like that..
Looks like he followed Naruto.
Huh?!! Damn!! He got away again!!
NO!!!
Hopefully he won't pick up anything stupid...
The fact that he's with Naruto is a bit worri-some..
Yes Boss!!
OK!! The basics are "Bon, Kyuu, Bon"!!! Now do it!!!!
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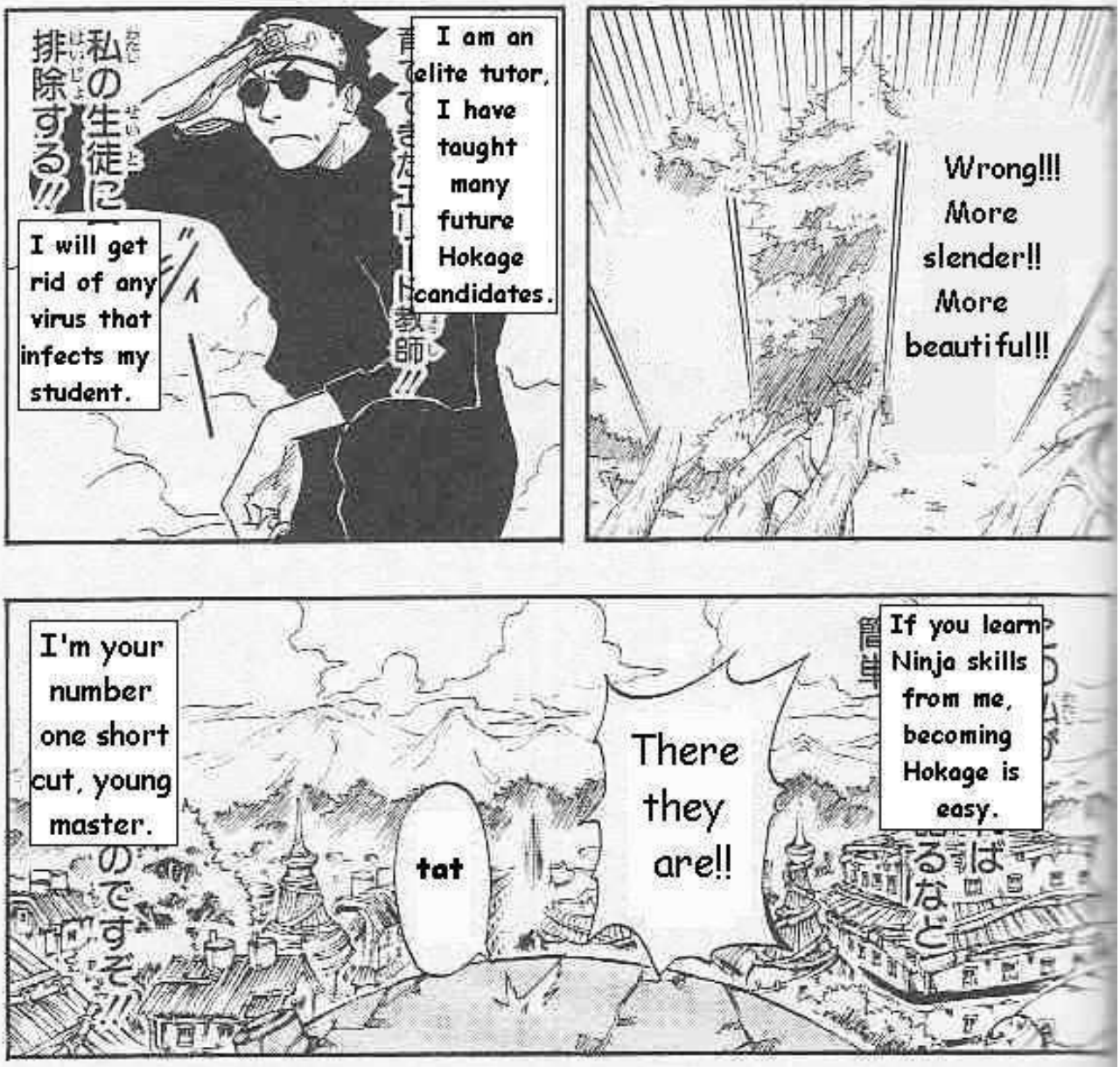
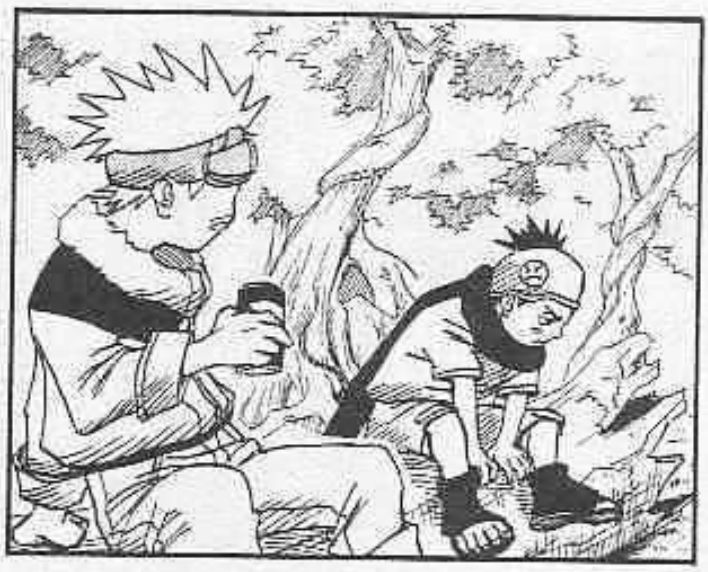

私の生徒に排除する!!
I will get rid of any virus that infects my student.
I am an elite tutor, I have taught many future Hokage candidates.
Wrong!!! More slender!! More beautiful!!
I'm your number one short cut, young master.
tat
There they are!!
If you learn Ninja skills from me, becoming Hokage is easy.
Why are you going after your grandpa..
..so much?
By the way..

Grandpa gave me the name Konohamaru.

I'm named after the Village.



*Konoha=Leaf

When everyone sees me or calls me...

..all they see is Hokage's grandson.

..nobody ever calls me that.

But even though everyone is used to that name here..

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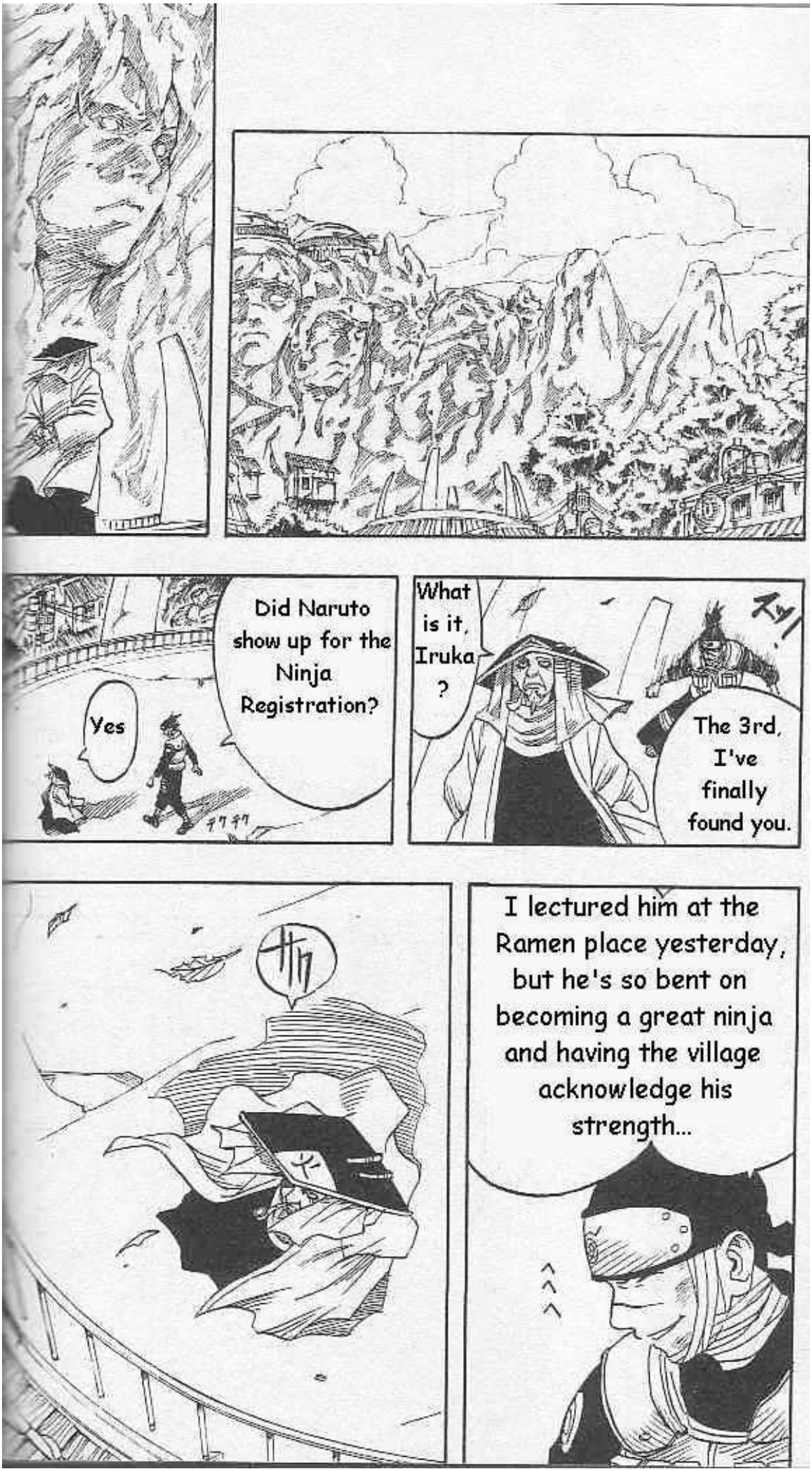
.....

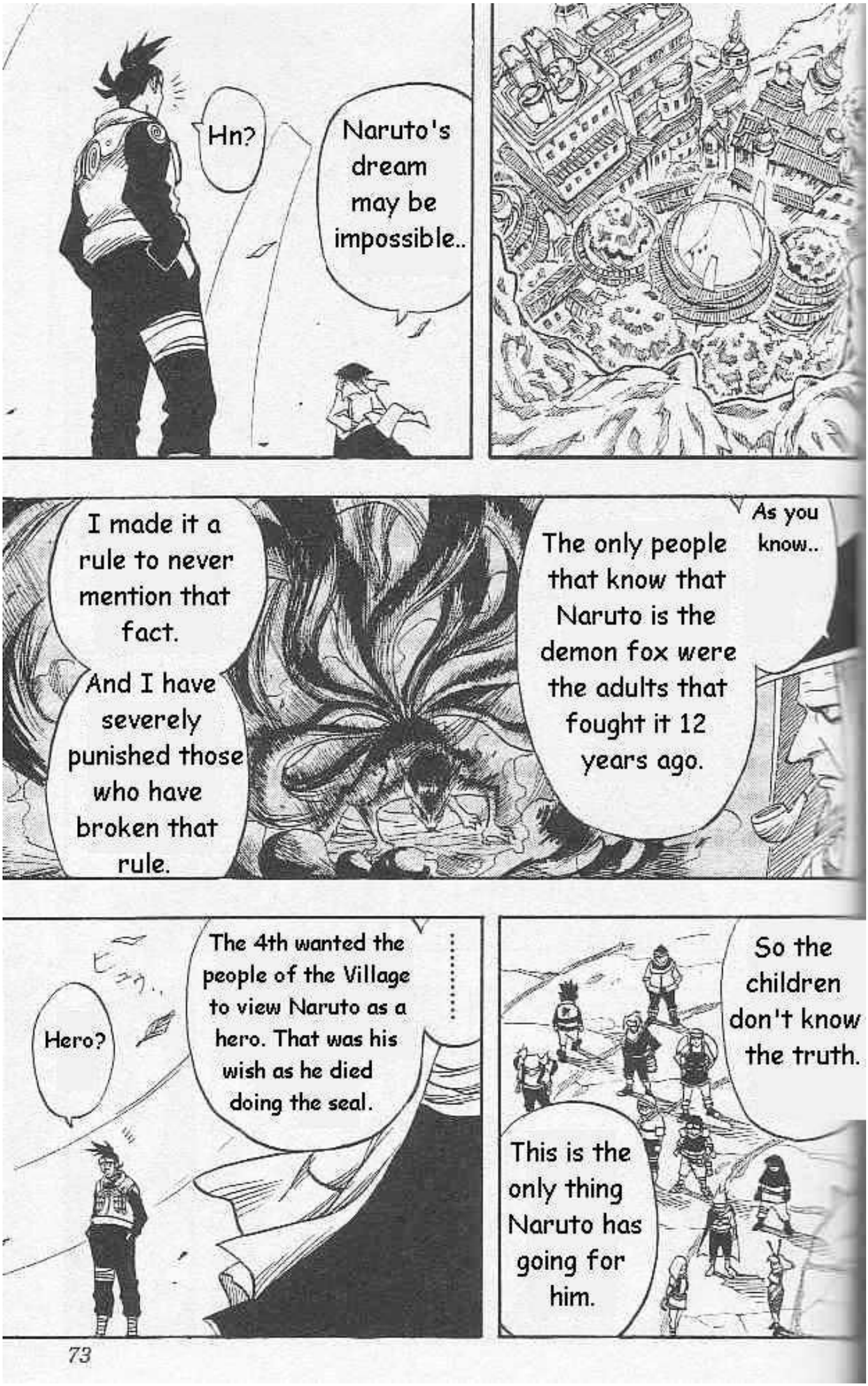
Nobody sees me as me.

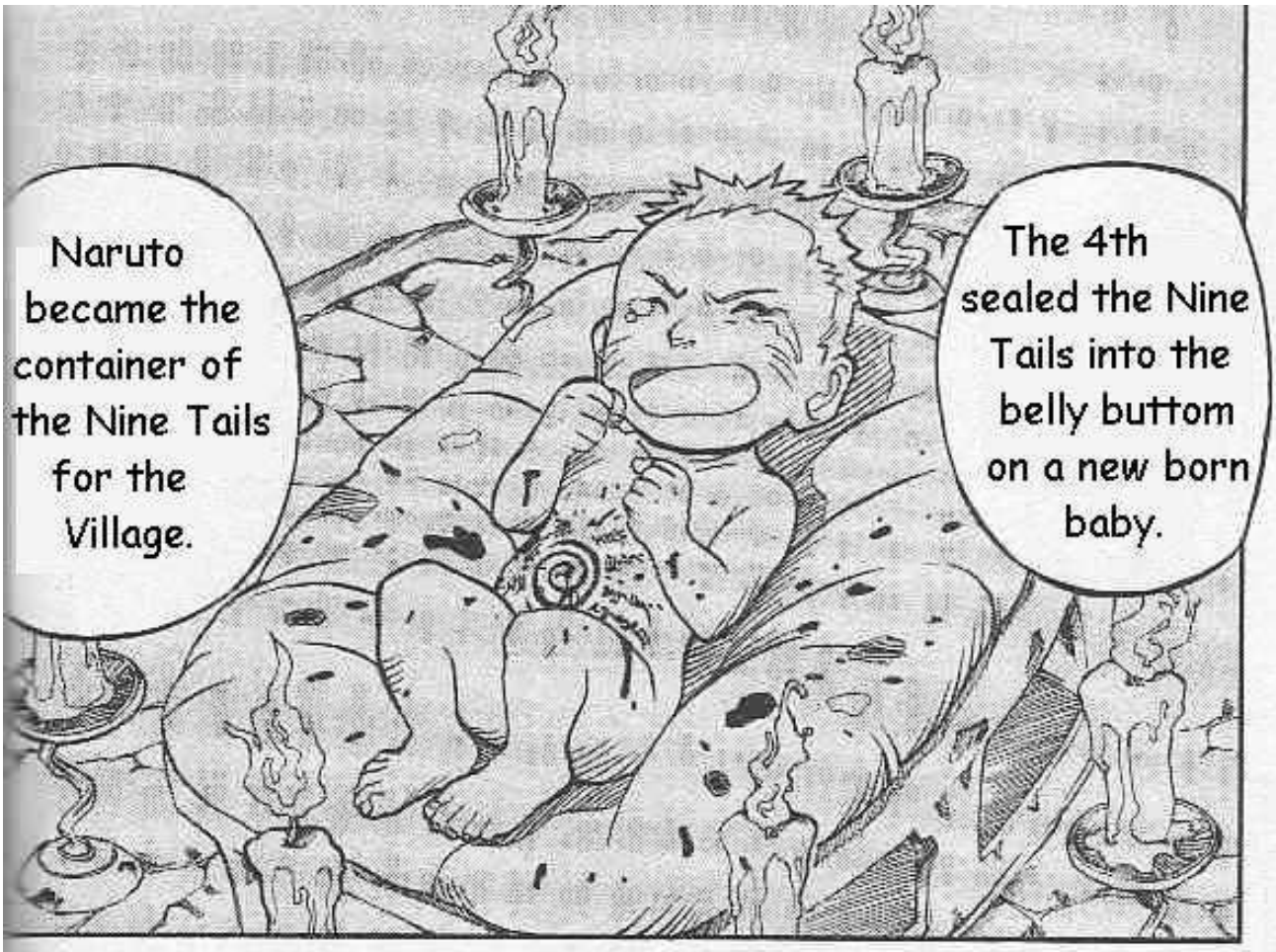
I'm sick of that.

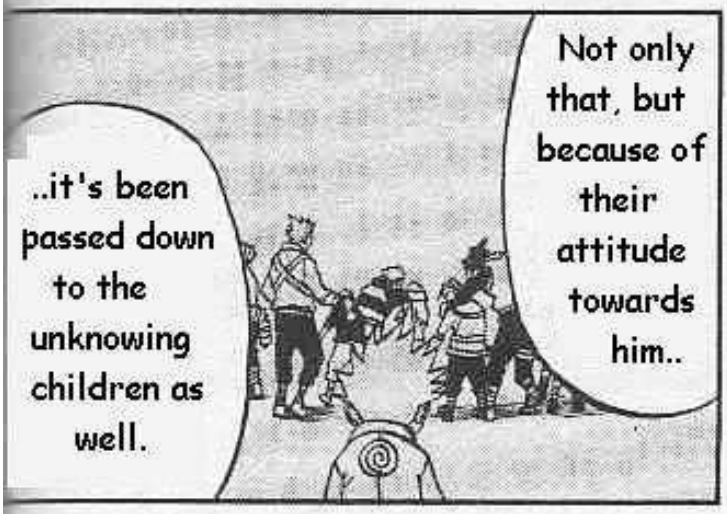
That's why I want the Hokage name now.

What?!
The Hokage name isn't so easy that a brat could take it.
Huh?!
Idiot!! Who would acknowledge a punk like you!!
Then what?!!
Hokage, Hokage..
If you want the name that much, then..
It's not that easy, moron!!
Then kick my ass first!!!


Did Naruto show up for the Ninja Registration?
Yes
What is it, Iruka ?
The 3rd, I've finally found you.
I lectured him at the Ramen place yesterday, but he's so bent on becoming a great ninja and having the village acknowledge his strength...

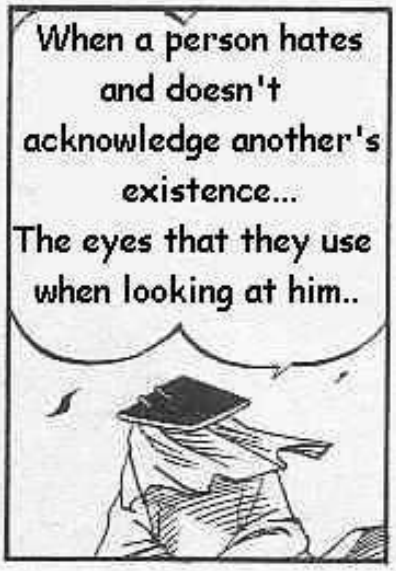

Hn?
Naruto's dream may be impossible..
I made it a rule to never mention that fact.
And I have severely punished those who have broken that rule.
As you know..
The only people that know that Naruto is the demon fox were the adults that fought it 12 years ago.
Hero?
The 4th wanted the people of the Village to view Naruto as a hero. That was his wish as he died doing the seal.
So the children don't know the truth.
This is the only thing Naruto has going for him.

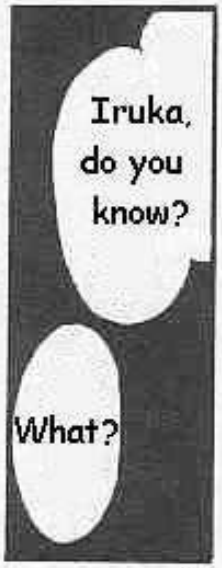

Naruto became the container of the Nine Tails for the Village.
The 4th sealed the Nine Tails into the belly buttom on a new born baby.


..it's been passed down to the unknowing children as well.
Not only that, but because of their attitude towards him..

But the adults of the village don't see Naruto in this way.

Are frighteningly cold...


When a person hates and doesn't acknowledge another's existence...
The eyes that they use when looking at him..


Iruka, do you know?
What?

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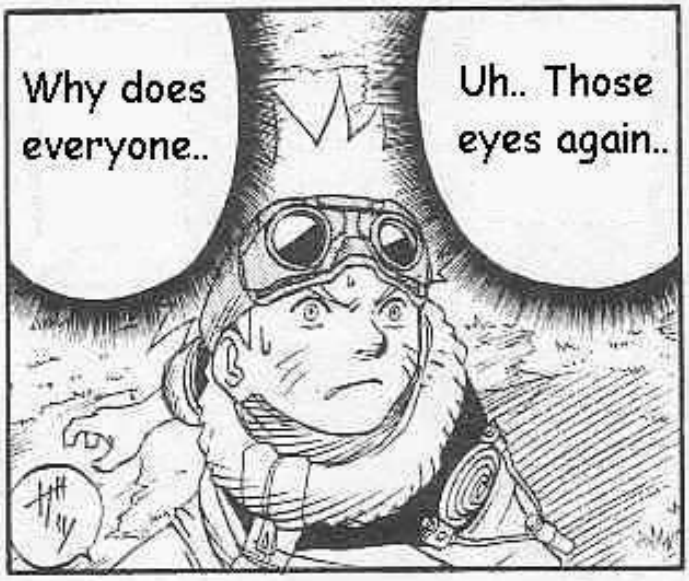
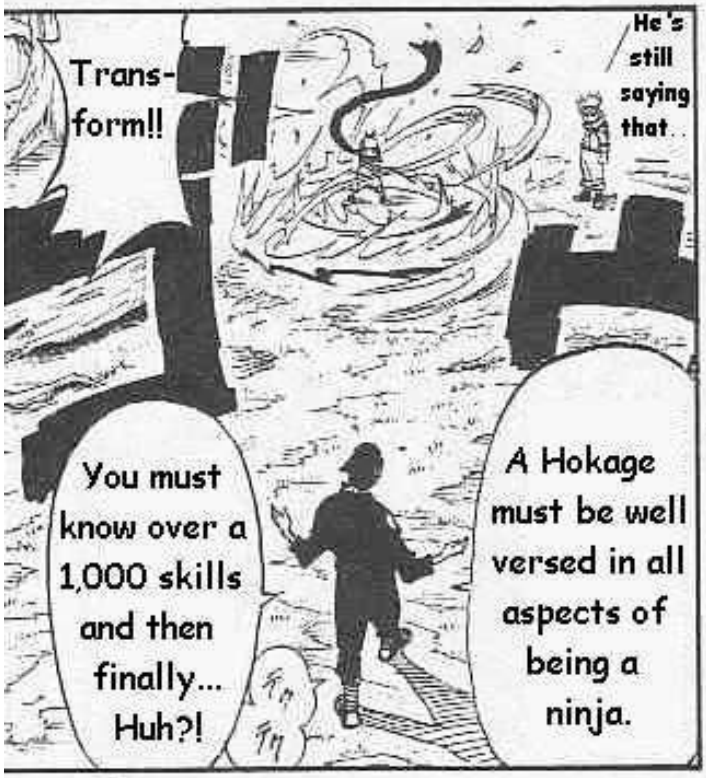
Huh?!
I have found you.


Why does everyone..
Uh.. Those eyes again..

The demon..
ugh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He's still saying that..
You must know over a 1,000 skills and then finally... Huh?!
A Hokage must be well versed in all aspects of being a ninja.

No!!! I'm going to defeat granpa and get the Hokage name!! Right now!! Don't get in my way!!
Now, Young Master, let's go home.

Huh? Didn't work..
Take this!! Sexy no Jutsu!!
What a vulger skill!!!
W.. Wh..
..will never work against me!!
I am a gentleman, such a super low-class skill...
Kage Bunshin no Jutsu!!
Just do what I say. I am your easiest short-cut to becoming Hokage. Now let's go home!!
No!!!
Young Master, if you hang out with the likes of him...
You'll just turn stupid!!!

I'm not Mizuki.
Heh
How foolish, I am an elite tutor.

That's incre-dible!!
Wow!!

Huh?
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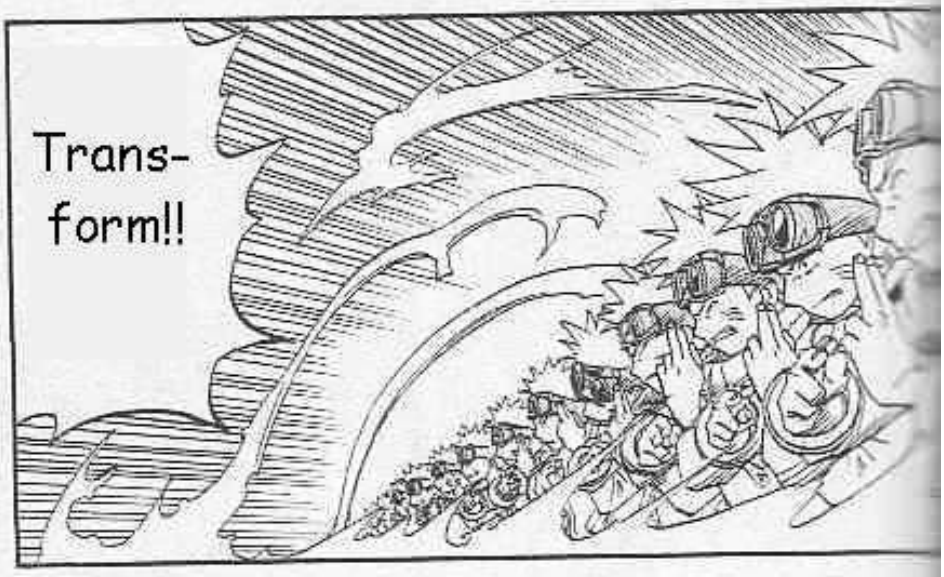
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エッチ

Harem no Jutsu!!
I call that one...
Damn it!!! I couldn't even defeat my tutor!!!
He's created another stupid skill.. I'd fall for this one too. Probably..
He combined the Shadow Clone and the Sexy no Jutsu..
This is the Hokage name, the name of the greatest ninja in the Village.
It's not that easy, dummy!!
bam
I really want a name that people will acknowledge!! Yet why?!!!

I finally found someone that..
..would accept me, but..
I was often lost.
With so many bad things...
You better prepare yourself...
Prepare?
..just that was incredibly difficult.
!
..Hokage that everyone will acknowledge..
If you want an incredible name like..

There ain't...
..going to be any short-cuts!!
I'm not letting you be my Boss any longer!!
Stop lecturing me as if you're important.
Bah
If you want the Hokage name, kick my ass first!!

We're rivals.
From now on..
Konoha -maru.
I'll be looking forward to it...
Sorry, but starting tomorrow I'm taking my first step as a ninja. But hey, one day I'll fight you for that Hokage name..
..as he watched over this young man Naruto's large dream and his difficult journey ahead.
The way to the true ninja is still far away.. Though knowing this, Hokage smiled kindly...