Crayon Shinchan
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SUNFLOWER CLASS

CRAYON Shinchan

NO STAGGERING EITHER!!

STAGGER STAGGER

WOULD YOU STOP SCAMPERING ABOUT?!

SCAMPER SCAMPER

NOT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET!

HOOONK

IF YOU SAY SO...

WHY CAN'T YOU EVER BE STILL?! NOW SETTLE DOWN!!
DON'T BE SO SELFISH!

I WANT A HAMBURGER!

WHAT DO YOU SAY WE GET SOME RAMEN?
EN?! RAMEN?!

IT'S RIGHT AROUND LUNCH-TIME...

NOBODY ASKED!

I'M SHINOSUKE NOHARA, I'M FIVE YEARS OLD, AND MY PHONE NUMBER IS 0487-79....

HELLO!

HERE WE GO AGAIN...

WELCOME HOME!

I'M BACK!

YOU REALLY LIKE ICE, DON'T YOU?

ARE YOU GONNA HAVE YOUR ICE?

CRUNCH CRUNCH

RATTLE

...WITH A SMALL EXTRA PLATE, PLEASE.

ONE LARGE MISO BLITTERED CORN RAMEN...

I'LL HAVE A FISHBURGER, FRENCH FRIES...

HEY!

EH?

YOU GONNA HAVE YOUR ICE?

CRUNCH CRUNCH

CRUNCH CRUNCH
COME ON, SHIN!

I’LL PULL APART YOUR CHOPSTICKS FOR YOU.

I SAID, NOBODY’S ASKING!

I’M IN THE SUNFLOWER CLASS AT ACTION KINDERGARTEN. MY TEACHER IS MS. YOSHINAGA, WHO’S SINGLE...

HERE YOU GO!

UH-HUH... HAH...

THE CHOPSTICKS GRABBED MY WIENER!

I WANT MORE SOUP!

EXCUSE ME, COULD I GET MORE PEPPER? THIS ONE’S EMPTY.

MY HOBBY IS PLAYING DEAD AND SOMETIMES I GET TO EAT CHOCO-BEANS...

...AND A TOWEL... AND ONE MORE REGULAR RAMEN...

ARGH!

SLP

SPLASH
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BUT WHADDAYA MEAN, "YEAR-END PRESENTS"? LIKE CHRISTMAS?

TODAY, YOUR FATHER AND I ARE GOING TO BE BUSY BUYING YEAR-END PRESENTS, SO WE NEED YOU TO BEHAVE, OKAY?

GOTCHA.

HELLO!

NO, NO. NO, THEY'RE GIFTS TO SHOW APPRECIATION TO THE PEOPLE WHO HELPED US OUT THIS YEAR.

AREN'T YOU ALL RIGHT?

THERE IT IS!

YEAR-END GIFTS DEPARTMENT

AH, THE FLAMES OF HELL...

CRACKLE

SO, WHAT ARE "YEAR-END PRESENTS"?
THE DEPARTMENT HEAD SAID HIS WIFE WAS CRAZY ABOUT THE SALAD OIL SET WE GOT THEM LAST YEAR.

MR. OYAMA LIKES BOOZE, SO I THINK WE CAN GET HIM A BOTTLE OF SAKE THIS YEAR, TOO.

MR. HANAKAWA KINDA DID A LOT FOR ME THIS YEAR. SHOULD PROBABLY KICK HIM UP TO 50.

ONCE, MS. YOSHI-NAGA HAD $90.

WE CAN GET AWAY WITH SPENDING ABOUT $25 ON YOUR MANAGER, RIGHT?

ALL-THRIGHT...

PLAY OVER THERE!

WE'RE HAVING AN ADULT CONVERSATION HERE!

CLAM IT!

RUSTEE

THUMP THUMP THUMP THUMP

BUZZ BUZZ
It's your fault!!
Next time, let's leave her at home.
Jeez, we're never gonna get out of here!
It's what you did!
Now what did mom do? We can't take her anywhere!
I'm terribly sorry...
It's a nuisance to the other customers as well.

Hey, I like that.
What about this classy soap set?
You're tired?!
I'm tired! Pick me up!

Whisper
Honey
Eh??

None of them know what an "indoor voice" is...
Do that to your girlfriend when you grow up!
I'm bored.
Aah! Now cut that out! A son nibbling his father's ear isn't right!

They're coming back.
That's enough.
We'll be back later!
Don't tell him!!
She said she forgot her wallet...
HERE'S A BONUS STRIP!
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY
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CHAPTER 1

RIGHT, LIKE HE'D EVER LET HIMSELF FALL ASLEEP WITH AN OPEN BAG OF COOKIES IN FRONT OF HIM...

CAN'T TELL THAT THE TONE MEANS A CHORE IS IN STORE

SHINOSUKE, COME HERE A MINUTE!

ARE YOU SLEEPING, SHIN? OKAY, I'LL JUST HAVE TO PUT AWAY THESE COOKIES, THEN.

COMEBACK...

CHOCO BISCUITS

CHOCO BISCUITS

CHOCO BISCUITS

ZLA

HA HA HA!

CHOCO BISCUITS

ARE YOU AWAKE...?

CHOCO BISCUITS

CHOCO BISCUITS

CHOCO BISCUITS

TICKLE Tickle Tickle
Anyway, I want you to pass the circular notice on to the next person.

Deciding whether to play dead next. There's no point, I know you're just faking being asleep.

All you have to do is take it to the lady next door!

This is tough...

Rattle! Rattle! O

Look, it's going around and around in circles, more than ever before!

Circular...?!

I'm counting on you!

Absent-minded little me...

Here! I'm writing you a memo!

Where am I taking it again?

Phew! Finally...

See ya!

The circular notice!
OH, SHIN! WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?

YES!

DING-DONG

NYAH!

DYAH!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND KIDS...

??

HERE!

THE LADY NEXT DOOR

DIDN'T YOU BRING SOMETHING FOR ME?

OH, THAT'S RIGHT!

AND WHAT COMES AFTER THAT?

SOMETIMES, MY MOM AND DAD KISS.

HE'S IN FOR IT WHEN HE GETS BACK!

THIS WAS IN THE STREET.

A BLISSFULLY IGNORANT SASH
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 2

ROH ROH ROH

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

FINE!

WHEN I TELL YOU TO COME HERE, YOU COME RIGHT AWAY!!

I CAN'T!

SHIN, COME HERE A MINUTE!

I GUESS THE WASTE BASKET LIKES YOU.

I GOT IN HERE TO PLAY, BUT COULDN'T SQUEEZE OUT!

DON'T GIVE ME "HI", YOU LITTLE FOOL!

NO!!

ROH ROH ROH

I SHOULD'VE CARRIED YOU OUTSIDE FOR THE GARBAGE MEN TO PICK UP!

TSK-TSK! LOOK AT THE MESS YOU MADE NOW!

NEEEYAA!

POW
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT LOOKING AT HIM!!

I KEEP AN EYE ON HIM... SOMETIMES LIKE, THROUGH THE WINDOW...

BY THE WAY, LATELY, YOU HAVEN'T BEEN LOOKING AFTER SHIRO, HAVE YOU?

WHY SHOULD I?

HELP ME CLEAN UP THIS TRASH!

BECAUSE THIS MESS IS YOUR FAULT!!

KWITCH

TAKE HIM FOR A WALK RIGHT THIS MINUTE!

YOU THINK A DOG CAN TALK? DUMMYY!

HUH. IS THAT WHAT HE SAID?

HE SAYS HE DOESN'T LIKE WALKS...

DO YOU TAKE HIM FOR WALKS?

SHIRO, LET'S GO FOR A WALK!

SHIRO!

WATCH WHERE YOU'RE RUNNING!

ARF ARF ARF

WHUMP

I'LL SEE YOU LATER!

ALL YOU DID WAS GO ONCE AROUND THE YARD!

AAAH! I'M EXHAUSTED!
WE'LL GO WHEREVER YOU WANT, SHIRO!

... 

NOT THAT WAY! THERE'S A MEAN OLD MAN OVER THERE!

COME ON, SHIRO. WHEREVER YOU WANNA GO.

SLOPING ROADS MAKE ME TIRED!! THIS WAY!

EVEN SO, SHIRO WAS HAPPY.

OKAY, OKAY. COME ON, SHIRO.

THREE DAYS LATER

THINKING: "I'M NEVER GOING ANYWHERE WITH THAT KID AGAIN!"

YOU DON'T PLAY WITH MY BRA!
YOU NEED TO BOND WITH YOUR SON ONCE IN A WHILE... HAVE PHYSICAL CONTACT!

IF HE'S WITH ME, I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO RELAX!

EH?! I'M BEAT FROM WORK!

WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, GIVE SHIN A BATH.

THE TUB'S READY FOR YOU.

I'M HOME.

SEE? THAT'S WHY YOUR FATHER DOESN'T WANT TO SPEND TIME WITH YOU!!

FINE SHIN, WE'RE TAKING A BATH...

ALL RIGHT, BUT JUST THIS ONCE!

YOU BETTER NOT REPEAT THAT OUTSIDE THIS HOUSE!

I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!!

LIKE YOU TWO DO WHEN YOU THINK I'M ASLEEP?

NEITHER OF THOSE!!

ONLY ONE, HUH? HMM...

ONLY ONE TOY!! AND IT BETTER BE ONE THAT'S MEANT FOR THE BATHTUB...

? LET'S PLAY IN THE TUB! LET'S PLAY WITH MY TOYS!

TOY BOX
BATH POWDER (CITRON SCENT)

WHY ARE YOU SUCH A GLUTTON? I KNOW IT'S NOT FROM ME...

IT LOOKED LIKE IT'D BE GOOD TO DRINK...

IT'S FROM HIM

I GUESS TAKING A BATH WITH THE KID ISN'T SO BAD AT THAT...

I THINK YOU MEAN "TIDAL WAVE."

DAD, WHEN YOU GET IN THE TUB, IT MAKES A TITLE WAVE!

AHA!

WHOA! SPLOOSH

AHH!

WHAT'D HE DO? PULL OUT THE PLUG?

MORON! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?!

IT'S A WHIRLPOOL! SLOOOOSH!

PLOOP

DUNNO!
Y-you'd do that for your old man? Sure...

Eh?

I'll wash your back for you, Dad.

My little boy's starting to grow up.

Still, this has gotta be a first.

What the hell? You're the one that brought it up?

Toh! You're gonna take me up on it...?

My body's not made of tile!!

A scrub brush hurts!!

Wuss...

Gahh!

Scrape scrape scrape

Mom always uses this to scrub the bathtub.

Dad forgot how tired he was from work.

Both of you are imbeciles!

Yeah! I've got a wooly mammoth!

Look, Dad! An elephant!

Mom, we're done!
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 4

I TOLD YOU IT WAS GONNA BE CROWDED TODAY...

MOM, I'M STARVING!

ALL THE GOOD SPOTS ARE TAKEN.

ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT! DON'T CRY ABOUT IT!

OH, EASY FOR YOU TO SAY! YOU'RE GOING TO ANOTHER CHERRY BLOSSOM VIEWING PARTY AT WORK! THIS IS IT FOR ME!

WHEREVER'S FINE, THE BEER'S GETTIN WARM!

WE'RE NOT GIVING UP UNTIL WE FIND A DECENT SPACE!

MOM, I'M STARVING!

HEY, LOOK AT THESE ROLLS OF FLAB!

KEEP SEARCHING!!

LOOKS LIKE THE ONLY SPACE AVAILABLE!

FEMALE OFFICE WORKERS

LET'S SIT OVER THERE!

COLLEGE GIRLS

COME ON, LET'S LOOK!

I HEARD THAT!

THAT'S THE ONLY TIME YOU LISTEN TO ME...
That family can't take a hint!

Ah-h-h! Now that's what I'm talkin' about!

You can say that again! I didn't expect it to be this crowded!

Glance

Right, Mrs. Nohara?

Can't do anything about it. There are too many people here.

Mama, there's not enough room here!

That's not for you to say!

She's not graceful.

Well, thanks...

You're a lucky guy, Mr. Sakurada, to have such a beautiful, graceful wife!

Look, Mr. Sakurada, a toothbrush!

WAH?

Of course he is! Keh-eh-eh!

Oh, I don't know about that...

Your husband has a reputation for being tasteful and cool-headed in any situation.

Cherry blossoms! Cherry blossoms! Sleeping in the same tree is a family of opposites!

This really is too rich...

Yiaaah!

Aaah! A hairy caterpillar! Get it away from me!

That's not the husband I know...

That's not the papa I know...

Wriggle
I KNOW. FOR PARENTS, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY DON'T COUNT!

I WISH THE COMPANY GAVE ME A SPRING BREAK.

HE'S ON SPRING BREAK.

OH, THAT'S RIGHT.

IS SHIN STILL SLEEPING? WHAT ABOUT SCHOOL?

OH, WELL, WE'LL BOTH HAVE TO MAKE DO AS BEST WE CAN.

WHAT, LIKE WE'RE NEWLYWEDS?

MM.. HONEY, BEFORE YOU LEAVE IN THE MORNING, YOU SHOULD...

SORRY! I'LL SEE YOU TONIGHT!

I BANGED INTO YOUR TOOTH!

BUY ME SOMETHING ON THE WAY HOME!

MM..
GOOD MORNING!

SHIN!! WHAT DO YOU SAY FIRST THING IN THE MORNING?

HONEY, MAAA...

DON'T TALK LIKE A COMMERCIAL. JUST WASH YOUR FACE!

AKHH, FEEL THAT CRISP MORNING AIR!

DASH DASH DASH

CHIRP CHIRP CHIRP

SPLASH

SPLOOSH

BA-BOOM!

THAT'S NOT WASHING...

LAUNCH TORPEDO! FOOSH!

WOOT! WOOT!
MRS. NOHARA, TODAY WAS PICK-UP DAY FOR BURNABLE GARbage.

DUMMY!! YOU SCARED ME!

I CAN THROW YOU DOWN!

TRYING TO GET SMART, ARE YOU?

SPIN

YOU THINK YOU CAN TAKE ME ON?!

CRACK CRACK CRACK

SPIN

MOM KNOWS THE OLD WOMAN NEXT DOOR IS THE UNOFFICIAL REPORTER FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

MRS. NOHARA WEARS see-through pantyS! MRS. NOHARA WEARS see-through pantyS!

EXCUSE ME.

CRAP...

WHIRL WHEE...

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I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 6

REALIZES: "SHE WANTS ME TO DO SOME CHORE." SHIN, COME HERE A MINUTE!

MURDER AT THE HOT-SPRING RESORT. WHAT THE OFFICE LADY SAW...

OKAY!

I'VE GOT SNACKS!

DASH

AFTER YOU DO SOMETHING FOR ME. WELL, Haul 'EM OUT!

IN THE CUPBOARD.

WHERE ARE THE SNACKS?

SHIN!
PUT THIS IN THE MAILBOX.
THAT'S THE SPIRIT!!
WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?
ALL I SAID WAS, "I'VE GOT SNACKS!!"
I NEVER LIE!
YOU'RE A LIAR!

S-STOP THAT!

LICK LICK LICK

I JUST HAVE TO PUT A STAMP ON IT...

IT'S THE THING STANDING NEAR THE SUPERMARKET, REMEMBER?
REFRESH MY MEMORY. WHAT'S A MAILBOX?
IF I KNEW, I'D HAVE ALREADY TOLD YOU!!
LEARN WHAT'S EDIBLE AND WHAT'S NOT!!
HOW CAN I LEARN?
I THOUGHT THEY'D BE SWEET... BUT THEY'RE GROSS!

YES, THAT'S IT!!

STANDING...?

SUPERMARKET

NEAR THE SUPERMARKET?

OH, I KN0W WHAT YOU MEAN!
THAT'S RIGHT. BE CAREFUL!

TWO OPENINGS...???

IT'S GOT TWO OPENINGS, SO PUT IT IN THE ONE ON THE LEFT.

ST. TUCKY'S FRIEND

AH! THERE IS ONLY ONE OPENING! MOM LIED!

SUPERMARKET

OH! OH! OH!

IT WON'T FIT.

WELCOME TO ST. TUCKY'S?

I GOTTA BE SOMEWHERE.

ALL RIGHT, KID?

WHAAA--??!

NO, BUT I GAVE IT TO A GIRL, SO IT SHOULD BE OKAY.

DID YOU GET IT IN OKAY?

CHAK

WHAAA--?!

I'M HOME!
YES!  Really?

What, in other words, you don't wanna do it? You don't love me anymore!!

That's not true! Of course I love you...

And after I bought a box of the expensive condoms.

You don't have to go to all this trouble.

I'm gonna put the boy to sleep whether he likes it or not, so wait up.

Ahhh... I'm tired all over again...

Off to bed with you, young man!

MITZ!

Honey!

Dad!

I'll record it for you, so you can see the pretty reporter tomorrow.

I wanna watch the news.

Come on, Shin... close your eyes!

GLITTER GLITTER

Forget it! That's the kind of book that'll keep you up all night.

Just one!

Okay, bring it here. Then read me a book!
WONDERFUL STORY...

"...IS WATCHING OVER US." 
HNN...

THE HAPPY PRINCE

"EVEN NOW, HEAVEN IS..." 
...SOS...

"SO THE PRINCE SAID TO THE SWALLOW..." 
...SNIFF...

WERE YOU MOVED TOO, SHIN? 
OR DID YOU FALL ASLEEP?

SHIN!

I LOVE HER! 

I'M SORRY, 
HONEY. 
I'M PUTTING 
HIM TO BED 
NOW...

THAT'S 
BECAUSE 
YOU'RE NOT 
TRYING 
TO BE 
SLEEPY!!

BUT 
I'M NOT 
SLEEPY!

YOU 
CLOSE 
YOUR EYES 
AND SLEEP 
RIGHT 
NOW!!

CAN'T SLEEP. CAN'T 
SLEEP! WON'T WORK EVEN 
COUNTING SHEEP! WHEN 
YOU'VE GOT INSOMNIA, 
IT'S FUN TO DANCE... 
A SAMBA!

I CAN'T 
GO TO 
SLEEP 
LIKE 
THIS!

IF 
YOU LOVE 
ME, WAKE 
UP!

HEH-HEH. 
NO THANKS. 
I CAN'T EAT 
ANOTHER 
BIT...

"I'M TAKING THE CARRIER OUT."
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 8

Dash Dash Dash

If you have to go potty, go right now!! You wet your pants because you always wait 'til the last second!

Yeah...

Shin...

You can just go in the pool.

But I'm gonna wet my pants!

Oh, okay.

Oh!

If you want snacks and me, you'll have to wade out here.

Shin!

Shin! What'd you do?!!
You’ve had enough, too!! You’re drunk!

Ah, let him be. Even kids like to drink at night.

I’ll pee before I go to sleep.

You’re drinking too much!! Stop it now or you’ll wet the futon!

Last night...

I said it because I worry about your health, but fine!! Do whatever you want!!

Fat ass Mitzi!!

Cheap old hag!!

Forget it!!

Let me have one more! Please?

One more!

No no no!

That’s it, shin! You chug like a man!

Gulp

Party time!!

If you wet the futon tonight, I’m gonna use this on your butt tomorrow!

And believe me, I swing this baby 100 times a day, so it’ll sting like hell!

Whap

Whap

Whap

Futon beater

Chief, I’m sorry...

Thinking "It’s his fault!!"
AND HE GOT IT ON MY FUTON, TOO... YOU REALLY EXPECT ME TO BELIEVE SHIRO WET THE FUTON?

IDIOT! I ALREADY FOUND YOUR PEE-PANTS STUFFED IN THE DRAWER!

BUT...

AFTER GETTING RID OF THE EVIDENCE, SHIN WENT BACK TO A PEACEFUL SLEEP.
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 9

NUH-UH, I'M GOING, TOO!

I'M GOING SHOPPING, SO YOU STAY HOME AND WATCH THE HOUSE.

WHAT?

SHIN...

WELL, NOT FISH, THAT'S FOR SURE.

WHAT ARE YOU GONNA BUY THERE?

...AND BECAUSE, I'M JUST RUNNING TO THE VEGETABLE STAND NEAR HERE.

IT'S RAINING OUTSIDE...

Satisfied that mom's not going too far because she's not wearing makeup.

SEE YOU LATER!

WHAT? DO YOU Doubt ME?

STARE
YOU CAN TELL BY MY VOICE.
HOW WILL I KNOW IT'S YOU?
ONLY FOR ME, WHEN I GET BACK.
LOCK THE DOOR AND DON'T OPEN IT FOR ANYONE, OKAY?
OH, YEAH.

WHAT IF THERE'S A BURGLAR WHO'S GOOD AT DOING VOICES?

LIKE I CAN SAY THAT OUTSIDE THE HOUSE...

I THINK "IT'S MITZI WITH THE SEE-THROUGH UNDERPANTS! I'M HOME!" IS A BETTER PASSWORD.

WHEN I SAY, "IT'S MOM, I'M HOME!", YOU OPEN THE DOOR.

OKAY, LET'S DECIDE ON A PASSWORD.

COULD YOU OPEN THE DOOR?

WHITE SNAKE DELIVERIES!
WHO IS IT?

DING-DONG

SEE YOU IN A BIT!

TAKE CARE! SEE YOU LATER!

GUESS THIS IS ONE OF THE WEIRD CUSTOMERS...

IT'S "IT'S MITZI WITH THE SEE-THROUGH UNDERPANTS! I'M HOME!"

I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT IT IS!

SAY THE PASSWORD!
WHAOA, KID! YOU'RE RIGHT ON THE FIRST COUNT, BUT WATCH IT WITH THE ACCUSATION!

AH! YOU'RE NOT INNOM! YOU TRICKED ME!!

CLICK

IT'S MITZ! WITH THE SEE-THROUGH UNDERPANTS! I'M HOME!

SURE!

DO YOU HAVE A STAMP?

IT SAYS NOHARA ON THE DOORPLATE, SO I KNOW I'VE GOT THE RIGHT PLACE.

ISN'T ANYONE ELSE AT HOME?

DAD!

ALRIGHT, WHAT'S YOUR FATHER'S NAME?

WRONG!! THIS IS MY HOUSE!

I'M BETTER AT DRAWING POO!

I DON'T CARE, JUST WRITE YOUR NAME.

BUT I'M NOT FAMOUS!

OKAY, SIGN HERE.

LISTEN, KID...

CALL 91111! THERE'S AN ARMED ROBBER IN MY HOUSE AND HE'S TAKEN MY SON HOSTAGE!!

I GOT A LOT MORE DELIVERIES TO MAKE!

PLEASE! JUST SIGN IT SO I CAN GET OUTTA HERE!

AH! IT'S TIME FOR ACTION MASK!
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 10

M-MITZI!

AHHH

HIROSHI,
AAAAH

AAAAH

HIROSHI,
AAAAH...

HIROSHI,
YOU LIED
TO ME!
YOU DO
HAVE A
WIFE!

URK GURCH

GULP

IS IT FUN
EATING WITH
ANOTHER
WOMAN?

NO
MORE
ROOM?

SMASH
OH, DID IT?

TODAY, YOU'RE GONNA TAKE ME SOMEWHERE! YOU PROMISED!

I TOLD YOU TO WAKE YOUR FATHER UP NORMALLY!

WHAT ARE YOU TRYIN' TO DO, KILL ME! MORON!

LOOK, DON'T WORRY! I SAID I'D TAKE YOU SOMEWHERE AND I WILL, OKAY?

I CAN HANDLE IT!

DO YOU WANT ME TO WIPE YOUR BUTT FOR YOU?

WHACK

BUT EVERYWHERE'S CROWDED DURING GOLDEN WEEK...

ALL RIGHT, LET'S PACK A LUNCH AND HAVE A PICNIC AT THE PARK...

NO WAY!!

ANYWHERE IS FINE WITH ME.

ME TOO!

SO WHERE SHOULD WE GO?

LEAVE THE TOY ROBOT HERE!!

HEY, WE'RE JUST GOING TO THE ZOO! A SWEATSUIT'S FINE!!

I'LL GO CHANGE.

OKAY, THEN WE'LL GO TO THE ACTION ZOO.

YIPPEE!

THEY'RE THE ONES THAT SAID ANYWHERE IS FINE...

*GOLDEN WEEK: AN EXTENDED HOLIDAY PERIOD IN JAPAN IN THE SPRING WHEN SEVERAL HOLIDAYS OCCUR close together.*
SHIN, DO YOU WANT TO STAND BETWEEN YOUR FATHER AND ME?
JUSTICE FEELS LIKE I'M GOING TO WORK.

THAT'S ENOUGH!!
SO HOW WAS IT?
COME ON, DON'T BE SHY!
NO, I'M GOOD HERE.

EVEN IF WE GET IN, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE THE ANIMALS! SCREW THIS MOB!
WHAA-?! IT'S SO CROWDED!
QUIT NIBBLING ON MY EAR! AAH...
HANG ON TIGHT TO YOUR FATHER!!

ACTION ZOO PLAZA...
THUD THUD

THEY COULDN'T SEE THE ANIMALS, BUT THEY GOT TO SEE THEMSELVES ON TV.
LOOK! THERE WE ARE!
ALL OF THE SIGHTSEEING PLACES ARE JUST PACKED TO THE GILLS TODAY...

I'M BEAUTIFUL!
MY HAIR!

LET'S GO BEFORE THEY GET US ON CAMERA LOOKING LIKE THIS.
THEM MUST BE REPORTING ON HOW CROWDED IT IS.
AH! THE TV NEWS!
CHAPTER 11

Okay, today's target is this residential street.

Yes!! I, Kurio Urima (27 and single), am a saleslady from hell for the Mayutsha Corporation!

...and I'll get this month's top sales award!

All I need to do is sell enough of these preschool education books and tapes...

Heh, my first mark of the day...

Although people have made that assumption or more than once before...

A Dina... no, I'm not a transvestite.

Do you have a ding-a-ling?

Ho...
KIDS THESE DAYS KNOW A LITTLE TOO MUCH FOR THEIR OWN GOOD!

LISTEN, KID... YOU DON'T KNOW A THING ABOUT ME!

MAMA! SEE.

MAYBE YOU HAD IT TAKEN OFF WITH SURGERY...

POSITIVE.

ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T HAVE A DING-A-LING?

IF I PLAY ALONG, HE'LL PROBABLY TELL ME EVERYTHING I WANT TO KNOW...

RATTLE RATTLE
RATTLE RATTLE

OKAY, ONE STRAWBERRY SNO-CONE, COMIN' UP!

BY THE WAY, SONNY, DO YOU LIVE NEAR HERE?

DETAILS, DETAILS!

YOU FORGOT YOUR SPOON, MAMA!

GULP, GULP!

LIKE PUTTY IN MY HANDS!

HERE YOU GO!

OH, THAT LOOKS DELICIOUS!

HE'S WRAPPING ME AROUND HIS FINGER...

YOU'RE MOCKING ME, AREN'T YOU...?

BUT I HAVEN'T EVEN ADDED THE STRAWBERRY SYRUP YET...

SURE IS!

AHHH, THAT'S DELICIOUS!
WE'RE STILL PLAYING THAT FINE.

HERE'S 1 BILLION DOLLARS.

THAT'LL BE 1 BILLION DOLLARS FOR THE SNO-CONE.

WOULD YOU TELL ME WHERE YOUR HOUSE IS NOW?

AY-YI-YI! I'M BEING CHASED BY A SHE-MAN MONSTER!

STOP!

YOU DON'T PLAY ME LIKE THAT AND THEN RUN AWAY!!

AAAAH! WAIT!!

KEEP THE CHANGE! BYE!

BELIEVES SHIN, NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

YOU MEAN... KIDNAP YOU?

THE SHE-MAN MONSTER IS TRYING TO GET ME!

W-Help me, next-door lady!

Oh, hello, Shin!

Dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun dun.

After that, Kuriyo Urima, sales lady, from hell, never went near Shin's neighborhood!

N-No, you've... Huff-huff... I'm not...

Neighbors, we've got a transvestite kidnapper on the loose!

Go on, get out of here!! Shoo! Shoo!

She had a ding-a-ling, but got it cut off!

Come again any time!

Oh, no, I swear some day... I'll be back.
NO FAIR!
NO FAIR!
I WANNA
GO, TOO!

SHE'S
PUTTING
ON
MAKEUP!!
SHE'S
GOING
SOMEBODY!!

OH!

PAT!

PAT PAT

THAT'S
RIGHT! I
HAVE TO TAKE
SHIRO FOR A
WALK...

TO THE
HOSPITAL.

YAHOO!
WHERE WE
GOING?

OKAY, KEEP
IT DOWN. I
WAS PLANNING
ON TAKING
YOU WITH
ANYWAY.

THAT'S
PAY SOMEONE
A VISIT, NOT
PAY SOMEONE
FOR A
"VISIT!"

ANGELINA
JOHNSON TYPE

DEAN
MOORE TYPE

JESSICA
ALBA TYPE

WHAT WILL
SHE LOOK
LIKE?

WE'RE
GOING
TO PAY
SOMEONE
A VISIT.

HEH-HEH,
YOU'RE
NOT
GOING
TO GET A
SHOT!
HELLO, COULD YOU TELL ME WHAT ROOM KEIKO MOGAMIWA IS IN? SHE HAD A MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT AND WAS ADMITTED YESTERDAY.

That's room 21.

Thank you.

Especially now, when there's a shortage of nurses...

Don't pester the nurses! They're busy!!

She said I was fine.

That one's name is Megumi. She's 20 and single!

Sighhh... I think I'm feverish...

Okay, everyone, it's time to take your temperature.

Okay!

You apologize every time we go out.

You must be quiet in the hospital!!

Knead knead knead knead...

Listen when I talk to you!

Bow bow

I'm sorry!

Cheer up, fella. You're not that old.

When you visit someone who's sick or hurt and try to cheer them up.

Sympathy visit?

Huh.

It's alright. I'm often mistaken for a patient in fact, the staff's voted me the "doctor most suited to be hooked up to an IV"...haha...
MY GOD, YOU'RE BANGED UP WORSE THAN I THOUGHT... YOUR FACE IS ALL SWOLLEN...

KEIKO...

HERE WE ARE.

...BUT I WAS BORED, SO I CALLED YOU.

I CAN GET OUT OF HERE NEXT MONTH...

PHEW! I'M JUST THANKFUL YOU'RE STILL YOU!

S-SORRY!

YOU'RE APOLOGIZING AGAIN!

OOF!

OH, YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GET ME ANYTHING...

SHIN, GIVE KEIKO HER PRESENT.

THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT!

ANYWAY, YOU'VE GOTTEN SO BIG, SHIN!

STILL SMALLER THAN DAD'S, THOUGH...

KEIKO'S HOSPITAL BIRTH WAS EXTENDED A LITTLE LONGER.

I'M SO SORRY!

APOLIZING IS HER HOBBY!

YOU TWO AGAIN?!

AHHH... AND IT WAS GOING TO HEAL SO WELL...

WEEE! TOTTER
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 13

**A TRAFFIC LIGHT!!**

**WHAT HAS ONE LEG AND THREE EYES??**

**WHAT IS IT, SHIN??**

**MOM! MOM!**

**ONE LEG AND THREE EYES...??**

**AS LONG AS I HAVE YOU HERE, YOU CAN HELP ME WITH DINNER.**

**AREN'T YOU THE ONE THAT TOLD ME TO SAY "PLEASE" WHENEVER I ASK FOR A FAVOR?**

**THAT'S NOT VERY CLEVER!!**

**WRONG! A ONE-LEGGED, THREE-EYED MONSTER!!**

**HELP ME, I SAID!!**

**I'M NOT IN THE MOOD.**

**HELP ME WITH DINNER, PLEASE.**
SNEAK

FIRST, WIPE THE TABLE.

GIVE IT HERE!

I KNEW IT...

WIPE WIPE

WHHEEE!

WIPE WIPE

WIPE WIPE

THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO ASK YOU.

GOOD JOB. THAT'S ENOUGH

OH!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

WIPE WIPE WIPE
How many people do we have in our family?

I knew it again...

Next, put out the chopsticks and bowls.

Oh yeah?

Do it like that if Kannon ever drops by for a bite.

Kannon doesn’t use chopsticks, does her set enough out for three.

Oh, I see...

Although, somehow, having him around calms my mind.

That’s what I thought you’d say?

Boobies.

Sighhh... I get even more tired when he helps out.

What did he say you’re “flat” again?

Get back here!

Why do you use little flat plates for mine?!

Mom’s boobies.

*Kannon - Enlightened Being of Compassion honored by East Asian Buddhists*
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 14

OH!

KA-CLACK
KA-CLACK

DASH DASH DASH

CLICK

I'M NOT LETTING HIM GET AWAY WITH IT THIS TIME.

I PAY THROUGH THE BANK!

UM, I'M HERE TO COLLECT FOR THE GAS BILL!

I KNOW IT'S YOU, SHIN, BUT YOU CAN'T COME IN.

WHAT, YOU RIPPED SLIDING DOOR PAPER AGAIN?! YOU'RE NEVER COMING BACK IN!!

CURFEW? THE ONLY THING I BROKE TODAY WAS SOME OF THE PAPER ON OUR SLIDING DOOR!

ANYONE WHO BREAKS CURFEW BY COMING HOME LATE LOSES THAT PRIVILEGE!!

I WANNA GO INSIDE! "ACTION MASK" IS ON!!
I LOVE YOU, WHICH IS WHY I WANT YOU TO BE A GOOD BOY...!! I DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO DO THIS TO YOU!

OF COURSE I DON'T HATE YOU!

DO YOU HATE ME?

YOUR CURFEW IS FIVE!

I'M SORRY, MOM. I PROMISE TO BE HOME BY SIX TOMORROW!

WAS I JUST TALKING TO THE DOOR?

WAHAHAHA!

I AM ACTION MASK! WAHAHAHAHA!

WAHAHAHA!

CAN YOU UNDERSTAND HOW I FEEL?

SUPER MOM...

YOU MAKE FUN OF YOUR MOTHER?

ROAAAARRR

CATCHES THE VIBE.

TWITCH

UH... WHY? IT ALWAYS WORKS ON DAD...

OHOHoho! YOUR FAKE BEAM DOES NOTHING TO ME!!

ACTION BEAM!!!
SCUTTLE SCUTTLE

COCKROACH BOY!

NOW IT'S MY TURN!! KNEADING ATTACK!!

AH!

HALT!

SNAG

UNLOCK THAT DOOR AND COME OUT!

NO!

SLAM

THUMP
THUMP
THUMP

YUCK! YOU DIDN'T DO A GOOD Job WIPING YOUR BUTT AGAIN! JEEZ...

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING...?

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING...

NOK NOK

COME ON, I REALLY HAVE TO GO NUMBER TWO!

SHIN! I'M SORRY!

BUT LATER...

OKAY, FINE. STAY IN THERE ALL NIGHT FOR ALL I CARE.

I'M SURE YOU'LL COME OUT IN A MATTER OF MINUTES, WITH TEARS IN YOUR EYES...
STOP!! I'M NOT A TOILET!

WELL, I WASN'T PLANNING ON TAKING A SHOWER, BUT BECAUSE OF YOU, HERE I AM.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING UP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?

SHAAAA
SOMETHING THAT HAS NO RELATION TO YOUR FATHER!

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS SO DON'T SAY IT!!

NO, HE HASN'T COME HOME YET.

IS HE CHEATING ON YOU?

DAD'S NOT HERE.

MONSTER DRINK DAD!

YOU'RE SMASHED...

OH HH! MITZI AND SHIN! YOU'RE UP TO GREET ME AT THE DOOR, HUH?

THAT'S SHWELL!!

I'M HOOOMME! WHOO-OHOO!

MONSTER SPLASH!

I BROUGHT SOME WATER!

NO, DON'T LIE DOWN THERE! THAT'S WHERE SHIN...

MIAH... ZAPP...

SHIN, GET YOUR FATHER SOME WATER.

I WANT WATER!

WHAT A MESS.

THE HELL WITH HIM...

CLANK
ALRIGHT, EVERYONE!!
LET'S EXERCISE UP A STORM!!

FLASH

AH, WELL, AT LEAST IT'S SUNDAY, I CAN SLEEP UNTIL THE HANGOVER GOES AWAY...

UWWW... MY HEAD IS KILLING ME...

S-SHIN... T-TURN THAT VOLUME...

THROB

FEEL FREE TO STOMP AROUND AND SHOUT! THAT'S WHAT EXERCISE IS ALL ABOUT!

WHY?

STOMP! STOMP!

Huh. Pounding? And you can hear it?

P-please, I've got a pounding in my head, so just turn off the TV...

THAT'S RIGHT.

CLANG

CLANG

TURN IT DOWN!!

OH! HONEY, I THOUGHT YOU'D BE SLEEPING IT OFF...

THROB

THROB

THROB

THROB

DOES IT SOUND LIKE THIS?

MOM AND DAD IN THE MORNING, BOTH PARENTS EXPERIENCED THEIR OWN SPECIAL KIND OF HELL.
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 16

Ick... Green peppers...

Kay!

Dad's going to be late again tonight, so let's eat without him.

That's bad manners! You should've gone before you sat down.

I have to pee.

Hum, that's unusual. He's eating the peppers first.

Munch Munch

I was right.

Sneak
I'M ALREADY BUSHED AS IT IS!
JEEZ, WHY DO I HAVE TO HEAR THIS THE SECOND I GET HOME?!
LISTEN TO THIS! YOUR SON SPIT OUT HIS FOOD IN...

WHANH!
WAHHHH!

WHAK
WHAK
WAHHH!

YOU DON'T GET TO BE THE ONLY HAPPY ONE HERE!!
WE'RE FIGHTING BECAUSE OF YOU!!!

AHA
HA

NO, IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT BRINGING HIM UP PROPERLY!
HE'S NOT GETTING ANY BETTER BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANNA HEAR IT!

THREE IN NO POINTS!!

FOR ALL I KNEW, YOU COULDN'T HAVE THROWN A FEW BACK AFTER WORK AND COME HOME NOT WANTING DINNER!!

OKAY, YOU TWO, TAKE IT EASY!

BECAUSE I HAD NO IDEA WHAT TIME YOU WERE COMING HOME!

BEH?!
WHY THE HELL DIDN'T YOU AT LEAST GET MINE STARTED?!

I STILL HAVE TO MAKE YOURS.

ANYWAY, I'M READY TO EAT.

YEAH, GO WATCH TV OR SOMETHING!!
YOU'RE ANNOYING ME!!

MOOO!
MOOO!

OH, HERE WE GO AGAIN WITH YOUR SALARY!!

OH, WHAT DO YOU WANNA SAY, THAT I'VE GOT A PLENTY SALARY?!

BAAA!
BAAA!

OH, WASTING FOOD DOESN'T MATTER? LET ME TELL YA WITH WHAT YOU MAKE, IT SURE AS HELL DOES MATTER!!

OH, THAT DOESN'T MATTER! MAKING DINNER EVERY NIGHT IS A WIFE'S DUTY!!

CHEEK-PINCHING ATTACK
BOTH PARENTS VERSION
EXPENSIVE DISH

FWAP

SLAM

EXPENSIVE DISH

FORGET IT! I'LL JUST GO TO A RESTAURANT!!

DO WHAT YOU WANT, YOU...

THANK YOU, SHIN...

GAG

DON'T LAUGH!

I FORGOT MY WALLET...

CREAK

OH, REALLY?

SHIN... THIS IS A RAG...

SO?

NEVER MIND...

USED IT TO CLEAN THE TOILET IN THE AFTERNOON

GRIP YOUR CHOPSTICKS PROPERLY!

EAT YOUR GREEN PEPPERS!

YOU DON'T WASTE YOUR FOOD!

NAG NAG

NAG NAG

NAG NAG

NAG NAG

SIT UP STRAIGHT!!

I'M SORRY ABOUT WHAT I SAID... I'M JUST UNDER A LOT OF STRESS FROM THE OFFICE AND I LASHED OUT...

GET IT THERE YA OA

I'M SORRY, TOO.
I, SHIN, AM A VERY GOOD BOY

CHAPTER 17

WHEN YOU COME IN FROM OUTSIDE, YOU SAY, "I'M HOME!" (SAID 9 TIMES)

I'M HUNGRY!

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT BEFORE IT SINKS IN?!

WHEN YOU COME IN FROM OUTSIDE, YOU SAY, "I'M HOME!"

I'M MAKING DINNER RIGHT NOW.

LIKE I SAID, I'M HUNGRY, MOM...

THEN STOP DISTRACTING ME.

WELL, HURRY UP WITH IT.

THINKING "I'LL NEVER GET DINNER AT THIS RATE..."

OH! HO HO HO! WHAT'S UP?

IS THAT TRUE?

CHATTER CHATTER

NOTHING IMPORTANT, BUT...

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OH!

I WANNA EAT SOMETHING...

COME ON OUT OF THERE!

GEOOOEY

CLAP

GEOEY

WOW!

WOW!

HIS RUMBLED STOMACH MADE HIM REALIZE THAT THERE WAS NO TIME FOR FOOLING AROUND!

I'M A SPIDER MONSTER! WAHAHAHA!
SORRY, SHIN. I COULDN'T GET HER TO SHUT UP.

JUST AS BAD

THAT'S GREAT, SHIN. IT'S THE FIRST TIME YOU MADE SOMETHING EDIBLE.

I KNOW. I'M GREAT.

THAT NIGHT FOR DINNER, THEY HAD CURRY, WHICH SHIN LIKES EVEN MORE THAN BEANS AND RICE.

THAT'S RIGHT!! HE'S GETTING TO BE A BIG BOY!

HUUH. SHIN MADE FERMENTED SOYBEANS AND RICE ALL BY HIMSELF?

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, THERE ARE "WEBS" ALL OVER THE KITCHEN...

BUT I'M A SPIDER MONSTER!
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN
GULP

MASAO... HEH-HEH...

TWO NICKELS... SEVEN PENNIES...

3-4-5... Giggle... Giggle!

YOU NEVER LISTEN, DO YOU?

OKAY, I'M TAKAHANADA AND YOU'RE WAKAHANADA.

NO THANKS...

LET'S PLAY SUMO WRESTLING. Y-EH?

KNOCK IT OFF!

HE'S HOLDING ON AT THE KNEE!

I SAID I'M NOT PLAYING!

GET IN POSITION...
UWAAAH!

AH! MONEY...

WHUMP

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

UWAAAH! GIAAA!

SHOVE

COME ON, STAND UP.

UUUH...

OH I THOUGHT IF I PUSHED HIM AGAIN, MORE MONEY WOULD COME OUT...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

UWAAAH! GIAAA!

ONE NICKEL ISN'T HERE!

THANK YOU!

HERE'S ALL OF IT, SO STOP CRYING, OKAY?

ANYWAY, LET'S PICK IT UP FOR HIM.

YOU MADE HIM SPILL THEM.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO REWARD ME.

HERE!

WHAT'S WITH YOUR LEG?

HOW COULD IT GET THERE FROM HERE?

MAYBE IT FELL IN THE Sandbox! COME ON, EVERYONE, LET'S GO!
I know, my mom took mine, too.

If I leave it at home, my mom will spend it, so...

This is the money I got for New Year's...

You're not supposed to bring money to kindergarten.

But what are you doing with so much money?

In other words, you spent all of it...

I bought a steamed meat bun, "kids' score", a playmate calendar...

Shin, what did you do with your New Year's money?

You're an agent for that bank...

You should put your New Year's money in the bank. I use MMC...

Shin...

I won't let any of these punks touch a hair on your head, Masao!!

That's just bodyguard.

Got it! I'll be your bodyguard dog!

Anyway, you shouldn't be walking around with it.

He's the one you need to be guarded from...

I'll lose all my money!

800 is what it costs for one day of my bodyguard dog service!

Goodbye, kids!

Goodbye, Ms. Yoshinaga!
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 2

THIS LITTLE SEED...

...AND GROW! GROW!

REACH UP FOR THE SKY...

HAPPY! HAPPY!

SUNFLOWERS! SHINE, SHINE!

SUNFLOWERS! SHINE, SHINE!

TURNS INTO THIS HUGE FLOWER!

SUNFLOWER EXERCISE!

NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!

MS. YOSHINAGA, HOW OLD ARE YOU THIS YEAR?

HUFF HUFF HUFF

CHUCK

HUFF HUFF HUFF

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YOU'RE NOT EVEN GETTING ONE CENT!
HOW MUCH YOU GONNA GIVE US?
YOU'RE ALL GOING TO BE DOING WHAT I JUST DID AT THIS YEAR'S SPORTS DAY.

WHAT, ARE YOU NO DANCER?

SHUN, WOULD YOU PRESS THE EJECT BUTTON ON THE CASSETTE FOR ME?

OKAY.

LET'S START PRACTICING!

OKAY, EVERYBODY STAND UP!

SHUFF SHUFF SHUFF

LETS MAKE A BIG RING!

SPREAD YOUR ARMS OUT MORE!

COME ON!! WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME BEFORE SPORTS DAY, SO YOU'RE GONNA GET THIS RIGHT IF IT TAKES ALL NIGHT!

W-WHAT?! IS IT AGAINST THE LAW FOR A KINDERGARTEN TEACHER TO LISTEN TO BOY BANDS?

HOHO!

I ACCIDENTALLY PUT IN SIDE B!

I GET WET IN THE DRIZZLING RAIN, MISSING YOU BRINGS ME PAIN...

SWOOSH
REACH UP FOR ME SKY...

REACH UP FOR THE SKY...

DANCE BY IMITATING ME!

THIS TIME FOR REAL!!

...AND GROW!
GROW! GROW!

GROW! GROW! GROW!

...AND GROW!
GROW!

...GROW!
...

WHACK

WHACK

MS. YOSHINAGA, I CAN DANCE TO ANOTHER SONG!

WRONG!

WHY CAN'T YOU GET WITH THE PROGRAM?

I GET WET IN THE DAIZZLING RAIN, MISSING YOU BRINGS ME PAIN...
I REACH OUT FOR YOU!!...GOT THE NORTH SAITAMA BLUES...
OHN-WO-WO-WO-WO...

...THEY SEEM TO LIKE THIS SONG BETTER, SO...

MM?

PRINCIPAL
COUNT ON IT!!
MAKE SURE YOU GET EVERYTHING, HONEY!

KINDERGARTEN SPORTS DAY
NEHE COME THE KINDERGARTENERS.

YOU KNOW WHAT HE'S LIKE!
YOU'RE THE Dope FOR CALLING HIM!

DON'T WALK THIS WAY, YOU Dope!

SHIN, NOOO!

SHIN, OVER HERE!

HEY!
AND I'LL GET SOME PICTURES! I'LL FILM FROM IN FRONT OF THE FINISH LINE!

THE 50-METER DASH!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE...?

SHIN!

LONG TIME NO SEE!

ME EITHER...

I DON'T KNOW...

ISN'T IT SHIN'S TURN YET? I THINK THEY'RE ALMOST DONE.

OH, A FEW SECONDS WON'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE EITHER WAY. YOU DON'T HATE SHIN, DO YOU?

UM, I'M KIND OF BUSY AT THE MOMENT...

MS. YOSHINAGA, COULD I GET A SHOT OF YOU AS A Keepsake?

CLAM IT!

AH! A SINGLE WOMAN MONSTER!

AH! THERE YOU ARE! SHIN! YOU'RE UP...!

NO WAY! THAT'S A KEEPER...

THAT WASN'T IN THE FRAME! HAHAAA...

ERASE THAT RIGHT NOW, PLEASE!

WHAT THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!

MS. YOSHINAGA AREN'T YOU READY YET?

STRIKE A POSE!
Okay, on your mark!

Um...

It means you stand like this.

Now.

What does "on your mark" mean?

On your mark!

Bang...

...Get set...

On your mark...

Is that right?

Eeeeee!

I like having this leg out in front better...

Atta-boy!

He's in the lead! He's in the lead!

Waaa Waaa

Waaa Waaa

Don't record that!

That dummy!

She's my wife.

Are you alone?

Oh!

Zip
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 4

OH, EVERYONE. GO BY YOUR MOMS AND DADS TO EAT LUNCH.

WE'LL NOW TAKE A BREAK FOR LUNCH.

DON'T YOU DARE, YOUNG MAN!

DON'T MIND IF I DO...

LOOK, NENE, I MADE ALL YOUR FAVORITES, SO EAT UP!

HATES LOSING

OH, THE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER...

I WISH YOU WERE KIND AND BEAUTIFUL LIKE NENE'S MOM.

THAT'S ALL RIGHT.

I'M SORRY FOR BARGING IN...

COME ON, SAT. I'M SORRY.
Humph. I could've sworn I put it in here...

You packed the beer, right?

Let's eat!

Not unless you're a baseball player whose team just won the championship.

Yeah, but you don't shake beer.

You always shake my orange juice.

Don't shake it up!

Shake shake shake.

Thanks, but I prefer beer cold, so hand it over...

I'm warming them up for you.

Shin!!

Rice ball, rice ball, muddy, muddy, rice ball!

Grut grut

Wipe your hands before eating a rice ball.

Nobody makes rice balls with Choco-Bees!!

You really cut corners here.

Which one has Choco-Bees in it?

I didn't make any with Choco-Bees!

Does this one have a plum in it?
ACK! THAT'S HARD!

YOU JUMP LIKE A RABBIT TO YOUR CHILD AND THEN RACE BACK HERE WITH HIM OR HER ON YOUR SHOULDERS!

GUESS I'LL HAVE TO PARTICIPATE...

NEXT UP IS THE PARENT-CHILD PAIR RACE, SO LET'S HAVE EITHER A FATHER OR MOTHER OF EACH CHILD ON THE FIELD!

HE TURNED INTO A DRUNKEN OLD MAN MONSTER!

AFTER LUNCH...

COME ON, GET ON MY SHOULDERS! YOU CAN DO IT YOURSELF!

HUFF WAAA HUFF WAAA

WHY DO I HAVE TO DO THIS AT MY AGE? MUTTER MUTTER.

WAAAAA BANG WAAAA BANG BOING BOING BOING

WAAAAA WAAA WAAAA WAAAA

LOOK AT THEM! SEE HOW IT'S DONE?! NOW HURRY UP OR WE'LL BE LAST!

WAA WAA WAA WAA WAA WAA WAA WAA

WRONG!! THAT'S BACKWARDS!!

WAAA WAAA WAAA WAAA WAAA WAAA WAAA

SQUEEZE... CAN'T BREATHE... DASH...

YOU HANGING ON TIGHT?! LET'S GO!
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 5

Yo!

Can I have my mommy helpers gather 'round here, please?

Uh... excuse me...

I'm busy, but I made time to be here!!

You have that much free time?

Don't imitate your father!

And I'm here to help out!

You don't sound like him at all!

I think that dope is mimicking something he saw on a TV drama...

Just get in position!

Let's live together!

Let's run together!

Let's run together!

On your mark...
YOU GO FOR IT, TOO!!

GOOD LUCK!

THUD

THUD

THUD

THUD

EVERYONE, DO YOUR BEST!!

I WONDER IF HE'LL GET LOST...

EVERYONE ALREADY WENT THAT WAY!

ICE! I FOUND SOME ICE!

CRACKLE

I DON'T WANNA HEAR THAT COMING OUT OF YOUR MOUTH!!

TAKE YOUR JOB SERIOUSLY!

ARE THEY RUNNING A MARATHON?

OH, LOOK! HOW CUTE!

HANG IN THERE!

DO YOU WANT ME TO SEND SOMEONE WITH YOU, IN CASE HE GIVES YOU THE SLIP?

PRINCIPAL, I'M THINKING OF RUNNING ALONGSIDE SHIN...

LET'S GET A MOVE ON!!

HEY, THERE! DO YOU LIKE CARROTS?
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 6

SHIN, COME HERE A SECOND.

WHEE! WHEE!
KYAA! KYAA!

EH? ME, A HELPER?

MS. YOSHINAGA wants to see us!

YOU and I are supposed to be the teacher's helpers, remember?

THAT'S NOT WHY I called you over!

WHAT, CAN'T you go play by yourself? you're old enough!

HAH?

OH, YES you are!

I'M NOT BUSY AT ALL!

SHIN, ARE you busy? we're playing train!

REMEMBER FOR YOURSELF, NEXT TIME!

YOU'VE GOT A GOOD MEMORY WHEN IT COMES TO OTHER PEOPLE, NENE!

THAT'S GREAT!
AND I APPRECIATE THE SACRIFICE...
I HAD TO REARRANGE MY SCHEDULE TO COME HERE.

THANK YOU!

MS. YOSHINAGA, I BROUGHT SHIN!

CLOSE MY DESK DRAWER. THE CLAY IS OVER HERE.

WE'RE GOING TO PLAY WITH CLAY LATER, SO I'D LIKE YOU TWO TO CARRY THE BOXES OVER.

OKAY, ROCKY!
SURE!

HAD A BIG FIGHT AND SHE HASN'T SEEN HIM RECENTLY.

IS IT GOING WELL WITH YOU TWO?

THAT'S NONE OF YOUR CONCERN!

PUT THAT DOWN!!

IS THIS YOUR BOYFRIEND?

WHAT ARE YOU THREE DOING?!!

LET'S SEE!

A-HA! A PHOTO OF A GUY!!

LEAVE THAT ALONE!

I WONDER IF MS. MATSUZAKA HAS A BOYFRIEND TOO?
I'LL FORGET ABOUT HIM AND... NO, I CAN'T LET IT GET ME DOWN! I'M A PROFESSIONAL KINDERGARTEN TEACHER!!

AND ON TOP OF THAT, MS. MATSUZAKA GOT MAD AT YOU. I FEEL SORRY FOR YOU...

THAT'S YOUR FAULT!

AH... ALL I DO IS FIGHT WITH HIM. IT REALLY MAKES ME LOSE CONFIDENCE...

MS. YOSHINAGA, YOU'VE GOT A PHONE CALL. PLEASE COME TO THE FACULTY ROOM.

GIVE ME THAT!!

DON'T REMIND ME OF HIM!!

Iと思う。

I love you... see you soon then.

...THAT'S OKAY. IT WAS MY FAULT... yeah...

PLAY WITH THE CLAY WHILE I'M OUT.

AH, TO BE YOUNG AGAIN...

I COULD HEAR YOU LOUD AND CLEAR FROM OUTSIDE.

AH...!

SCHOOL BROADCASTING ANG.

SHESaidORLOVINGHIM.

GOOD FOR YOU.

HEE-HEE.

SPIN.
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 7

OKAY!

EVENYONE, COME INTO THE CLASSROOM!

ACTION

KINDERGARTEN

HE FELL ASLEEP WHILE PLAYING...

MS. YOSHINAGA, SHIN ISN'T HERE.

RIGHT NOW, WE'RE GOING TO...

...OR JUST A VERY RISKY NAP!

I DON'T KNOW WHETHER TO CALL THAT A TOTAL LACK OF INSTINCTS...
SHIN, WHAT ARE YOU MAKING?

THANK YOU.

ARE THOSE DUMPLINGS?

I'LL GIVE ONE TO YOU LATER, MS. YOSHINAGA!

YAY WNN!

IT'S TIME TO PLAY WITH CLAY!

HIS ISN'T THAT SMALL!

BUT ONE OF THESE HOT DOGS IS YOUR BOYFRIEND'S!

NO THANK YOU!

I'LL GIVE ONE TO YOU LATER...

MY HOT DOG AND KAZAMA'S HOT DOG AND MASAO'S HOT DOG AND...

OKAY, I'LL MAKE AN ELEPHANT.

IT'S A DOG...

LOOK, KAZAMA'S MADE A COW... DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT!

TRY MAKING SOMETHING DIFFERENT.

I KNOW I'M NOT MUCH OF AN ARTIST...

MAYBE I'LL DO A GIRAFFE INSTEAD...

I'LL DRAW A PICTURE FOR YOU.

BUT I NEED A MODEL TO WORK FROM.
Forget it! I'm making a cat!

Masao, give me a little of your clay! From the head is okay.

I'll give you some of my clay.

Hey, Hey, Hey! No fighting!

Don't be ridiculous!

You can have a headless cat!

Bring your creations home today to show your parents, okay?

Is everybody finished?

I don't need the backhanded flattery. Just make your giraffe!

My dad says you're no great beauty, but you're cute.

Here, feed me! Aaaaah!

Get lost!

The neck will fall off unless it's held steady.

But I have to show it to Dad when he gets home!

How long are you gonna be at that? Sit down and have your dinner!
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 8

EVERYONE BROUGHT A SHOVEL FROM HOME, RIGHT?

YAY!

JUST LIKE I PROMISED YESTERDAY, TODAY WE'RE GOING TO PLANT FLOWER SEEDS!

SOMETIMES MY MOM ALSO USES IT TO GIVE ME A SPANKING.

NEVERTHELESS, IT'S A RICE SCOOP AND YOU'RE NOT GOING TO USE IT TODAY.

NO, THAT'S A RICE SHOVEL, WHICH YOU ONLY USE TO SERVE RICE.

A RICE SHOVEL.

SHIN, WHAT'S THAT?

MS. YOSHINAGA, WE'RE STARTING TO LOSE THE LIGHT.

YOU USE THAT TO FLIP OVER GRIDDLECAKES.

WHAT, YOU HAD ONE THE WHOLE TIME? HURRY UP AND GET IT OUT THEN.

OKAY, THEN I'LL TAKE OUT MY REGULAR SHOVEL.
GO BORROW A SHOVEL FROM THE PRINCIPAL.

NO DETOURS ON THE WAY!!

THE SOUND OF MS. MATSUIZAKA HITTING THE FLOOR

NO...

YOU WANTED SOMETHING?

OH, SHIN...

PRINCIPAL...

THAT WAS JUST A WASTE OF TIME, WASN'T IT?

HE'S DOING WELL.

WHAT ABOUT THE PRINCIPAL?

I'M BACK!

YOU'RE EMPTY-HANDED!

BYE!
MAKE A SMALL HOLE.

ONLY FOR TODAY!! LOOK WHAT I GOT!

YOU CAN USE MY SHOVEL.

NO "BA-Ba-BA" EITHER!! DIG A HOLE, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD!!

SHINNOSUKE, I DIDN'T LEND THAT TO YOU SO YOU COULDN'T GO, "DAN-DA-DA..."

DAN-DA-DA DANDA-DA

THE SEEDS ARE OVER HERE...

NOW WE'RE GOING TO PUT THE SUNFLOWER SEEDS IN THE DIRT.

I CAN'T STOP EATING BEER, I THINK...

...OR NOT...

YOU WANT SOMETHING?

I BET HE CAME TO SEE ME TO BORROW A SHOVEL.

THAT'S RIGHT, THEY'RE PLANTING SEEDS TODAY.

AND YOROHANA, LET'S PLANT AT LEAST SOME OF THE SEEDS.
CHAPTER 9

CLAMBER CLAMBER

YAY!

YAY!

YAY!

WHHE!

KYAA!

KYAA!

ACTION

KINDergarten

YOU WANNA START SOMETHING?

SHIN, DO SOMETHING ABOUT THESE BOYS!

YEAH! WE'RE USING THIS SLIDE!

SHUT UP!

HEYYY, MOVE SO THE NEXT PERSON CAN GO DOWN!

IS HE ALWAYS THIS WEIRD...?

HURRY UP AND GO TO SLEEP! DON'T WEAR MY PANTIES ON YOUR HEAD!

DON'T KISS THEM! SCOLD THEM!

WAAA...
BECAUSE BOYS ARE SUPPOSED TO COME TO THE RESCUE OF HELPLESS GIRLS! YOU'RE A BOY, AREN'T YOU?!
WHY SHOULD I GET ANGRY?
GET ANGRY AT THEM!

EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE ONLY A SECOND-YEAR KINDERGARTEN STUDENT?
I DON'T GET YOU, BUT I DO KNOW YOU'RE GIVING ME SASS.
YOU GUYS DON'T OWN THE SLIDE! OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT!!
JUST SAY, "YOU GUYS DON'T OWN THE SLIDE!" OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
HOW SHOULD I GET ANGRY?

CALM DOWN! GETTIN' YOU STEAMED UP IS PROBABLY HIS STRATEGY.
WHY, YOU LITTLE....!
WE'RE GONNA PLAY REAL DUEL! YAY!
SHORT SHORT

NO, NOT PLAY DUEL!! THE REAL THING!!
COOL! WE'RE GONNA PLAY DUEL!
GET OFF OF THERE!! WE'RE GONNA HAVE A DUEL!

HURRY UP AND FIND SOMEONE, THEN GET BACK HERE!
WE'RE ALL BUSY HERE!
I'M NOT BUSY AT ALL!
SHN, ARE YOU BUSY? WE'RE PLAYING AIRPLANE!

OKAY, I'LL BE RIGHT BACK.

THERE ARE TWO OF US, SO TO MAKE IT FAIR, YOU CAN BRING ANOTHER KID HERE TO HELP YOU.

*THOSE DAYS, KIDS IN JAPAN GO TO KINDERGARTEN FOR TWO OR THREE YEARS*
YOU
DRAGGED ME
HERE FOR
WHAT?

HEY, I
BROUGHT
SOME-
BODY!

THIS
IS A SECRET
JUST BETWEEN
US KIDS!

ANYBODY
WHO TELLS
THE TEACHER
GETS A PUNCH
IN THE NOSE!

WE'RE
NOT
PLAYING!
WE'RE
GOING TO HAVE A DUEL!

SO, WHAT
SHOULD WE PLAY?

GRRRR!
THAT'S THE PRICE!
OHHH!!! AHHH!

WELL, I'LL LEAVE
YOU KIDS TO YOUR
GAME. HAHAA!

IT SEEMS
LIKE YOU
CAN'T PICK
AN ADULT.

YOU
CAN'T USE THE PRINCIPAL!

BUT
HE'S MY BUDDY...

IN THAT
CASE, LET'S
PLAY ON THE SLIDE!

EH?!
WHY?

LET'S
HAVE A DUEL!

I GUESS
I'LL CALL
KAZAMA.

WHAT ARE YOU
GOING TO
DO, SHIN?

HURRY UP
AND BRING
SOMEBODY!

WE'LL WAIT
FOR YOU IN THE YARD
BEHIND THE
CLASS-
ROOMS.

OKAY!

THEN
FORGET IT!

I DUNNO.

UHHH...
SHIN DIDN'T
COME... UHH-
HUH-HUH...

YOU
HAD US
WORRIED!!

AH SO
THAT'S WHERE
YOU WERE!

? YAHOO!

HOURS LATER
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 10

WHAT?
WHERE ARE YOU?

SHIN!

I QUIT! THIS IS BORING.

ALL IT IS IS HANGING ON A TREE.

PLAYING KOALAS!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

ENOUGH WITH THE TREE, ALREADY!!

PLAY GEEKO!

OKAY, WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

THEN LET'S DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT!

SLIDE SLIDE!

GRRR GRRR
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU BY THE PEN FOR THE LAST TEN MINUTES!

KAZAMA PROBABLY FORGOT ABOUT IT! THAT GUY IS SO UNRELIABLE.

AND KAZAMA!

ONLY YOU AND ME?

SHIN, TODAY IT'S OUR TURN TO CLEAN THE CHICKEN PEN.

IT TOTALLY SLIPPED MY TONGUE.

YOU MEAN SLIPPED YOUR MIND.

THANKS!

I'LL LET YOU DO IT.

SOMEBODY FILL THE PAIL.

YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG EQUIPMENT?

WELL, SHOULD WE START?!

NO THANKS!!

LET'S PLAY FILL THE PAIL WITH WATER! I'LL LET YOU GO FIRST.

YEAH?

Egg!! The hen laid an egg!!

THAT'S NOT CAREFUL AT ALL!!

CAREFULLY...

CAREFULLY...

ALL RIGHT!!

LET'S SHOW MS. YOSHINAGA!
FORGET ABOUT IT!!

MAGAO, LET'S PLAY "CARRY THE EGG"...

I'LL PASS, TOO. I DON'T WANT THE RESPONSIBILITY.

THEN, KAZAMA...

NO, I'M AFRAID I'LL DROP IT!

OKAY, NENE. YOU CAN CARRY IT.

ARE YOU DONE CLEANING THE CHICKEN PEN?

MS. YOSHINAGA!

EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE, HE'S SMART.

WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT?

YOU COULD JUST CALL MS. YOSHINAGA OVER...

WELL, I'LL BE!!

SHE ALREADY KNOWS THAT!

NENE DIDN'T DO IT, THE HEN LAID IT!

THERE'S AN EGG!

THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE HERE FOR!!

CAN WE FRY AN EGG?

COME ON, CHOCOLATE CHICKS. COME ON OUTTA THERE!

HUH? WHERE DID MY EGGS GO?

ALL YOU EVER THINK ABOUT IS FOOD!

EH?! MADE OF CHOCOLATE?

SHE SITS ON THE EGG TO MAKE IT WARM. THEN, AFTER A WHILE, A CHICK WILL COME OUT.

LET'S LEAVE THE HEN ALONE FOR A WHILE.
I'M THE MOST POPULAR KID IN KINDERGARTEN

CHAPTER 11

COME ON! THE BUS'LL BE HERE ANY MINUTE! YOU'RE GONNA BE LATE AGAIN!

SHIN, AREN'T YOU DONE YET?

I'M GONNA MAKE ONE MORE.

COME ON!

LET'S GO!

SORRY FOR THE WAIT!

FLUSH HHH

THEN CHANGE YOUR UNDERWEAR WHILE YOU'RE AT IT!!

I'LL BE RIGHT BACK.

DID YOU WIPE YOUR BUTT?
YESSS! WE DID IT WITH 30 SECONDS TO SPARE... IT'S A MIRACLE!! FOR THE FIRST TIME IN I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY MONTHS!!

HUFF HUFF

DASH DASH DASH

IT'S SOMETHING SADDER THAN THAT.

YOU HAVEN'T GONE POO FOR A WHILE?

I'M THRILLED THAT WE MADE THE KINDERGARTEN BUS IN TIME. HOW PATHETIC IS THAT?

Ooo

GACK...

BUT IT PISSES ME OFF TO HEAR SOMEONE ELSE SAY IT...

IT'S A MIRACLE.

MOM SAID THE SAME THING.

RATTLE

ACTION

SQUEAL

SHIN, LONG TIME NO SEE ON THE BUS!

OHH!

LOOK, EVERYONE! SHIN IS WITH US TODAY!

SHIN IS WITH US TODAY!

YOU'RE GOING, TOO!!

WE'LL SEE YOU LATER THEN, NOW!

SEE YOU LATER, MS. YOSHINAGA!
WHY DO I HAVE TO SIT DOWN?

SIT DOWN NOW!

NO, I'VE BEEN THE DRIVER FOR A WHILE NOW. YOU PROBABLY JUST FORGOT ME SHIN.

NICE TO MEET YOU, NEW BUS DRIVER.

BECAUSE IF THE DRIVER HITS THE EMERGENCY BRAKES...

...THIS IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN.

I'M SORRY....

MS. YOSHINAGA, YOU'D BETTER SIT DOWN!

I TOLD THAT LITTLE FOOL TO PUT IT IN HIS BAG!

I THINK I'LL JUST RELAX AND WATCH A MORNING TALK SHOW!

FOR ONCE, I DON'T HAVE TO TAKE HIM TO SCHOOL BY BIKE!

MELANIE...

LUNCH
I MERRILY GO MY OWN WAY
I MERRILY GO MY OWN WAY

CHAPTER 1

CHIRP, CHIRP, CHIRP

CHIRP, CHIRP, SLEEPYHEADS!
CHIRP, CHIRP, DING-DONG, DING-DONG,
TIME TO GET OUT OF BED...AND EXERCISE!

LEGGIES!
ONE-TWO-THREE-AND-FOUR!

I'D RATHER
WAKE UP IN
COMFORT,
TO THE
SOUNDS OF
CLASSICAL
MUSIC.

THAT'S
THE WAY
YOU WAKE
UP!

NOW SHAKE
YOUR CAN AS FAST
AS YOU CAN!

WIGGLE THE ARMS!
ONE-TWO-THREE-
AND-FOUR!
YOU CAN WARM UP BY THE STOVE. BUT THE CLOTHES ARE COLD!
HERE, GET DRESSED!
WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO? WE MADE A PROMISE TO HELP HIM TRAIN FOR THE KINDERGARTEN MARATHON. AND YET HE'S STILL DANCING. I FEEL BAD FOR THE LITTLE GUY.
BUT I'M STILL SLEEPY ...

YOU WANT THE FIREMEN TO COME HERE?!
IDIOT!! YOU'LL BE A LOT COLDER IF THE HOUSE BURNS DOWN!!

YAY! YAY! THE FIREMEN!

WHAT ABOUT MY MARATHON TRAINING ...?
I'LL CHECK THE MANUAL.
HOW MUCH DOES FIRE INSURANCE PAY OFF?

E-EVERYTHING WOULD GO UP IN FLAMES!
WAS YOUR POINT TO MAKE HIM HAPPY?!

BRRRR! FREEZING! AND WE HAVE TO RUN IN THIS?
I MEAN, DO YOU HAVE TO GO PEE BEFORE WE GO OUTSIDE OR NOT?!

THEN THAT WOULD JUST MAKE IT A DRIVE!

WHY DON'T WE TAKE THE CAR?
YOU SET A BAD EXAMPLE BY READING SOMEONE ELSE'S NEWSPAPER!!

FEW THE NEW FRAMES MISTER, YET ANOTHER OVER THE-HILL GUY GO FIGURE.

YOU LEAVE THAT RIGHT THERE!! IT BELONGS TO SOMEBODY!

SOMEBODY DROPPED THEIR YOGURT DRINK! I'LL TAKE IT!

TELL YOURSELF THAT!!

PLEASE, LET'S JUST GET THIS OVER WITH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

YOU GOTTA TAKE THIS MORE SERIOUSLY.

SHE'S NOT GONNA PLAY OUTSIDE THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING!!

NENE! COME OUT TO PLAY!

102 DEGREES...

IF YOU WANNA GO FOR A DRIVE, OKAY.

WHAT ABOUT TRAINING?

THE NEXT DAY...

LET'S DO IT AGAIN TOMORROW!!

FEELS GOOD, DOESN'T IT?
I MERRILY GO MY OWN WAY

CHAPTER 2

IT'S EITHER "I'M BACK" OR "I'M HOME" WHEN YOU RETURN HOME!!

YOU DON'T SAY WHATEVER SPRINGS TO MIND WHEN YOU WALK THROUGH THE DOOR!!

DASH DASH DASH!

CONGRATULATIONS!

TAIYAKI!!

TIRE-YAK!

OH!

CHANGING THE SUBJECT

THE SNACKS ARE ON THE TABLE.

WHO DECIDED THAT?

FISH-SHAPED PANCAKES FILLED WITH BEAN JAM.

OH, STOP THAT!!

SQUIRT

YOU DON'T NEED CHOPSTICKS FOR THAT.

CHOPSTICKS!

CHOPSTICKS!
EAT IT PROPERLY!
HOW?

IT'S NOT A COMPLIMENT!
YOU FLATTER ME...

YOU'RE DISGUSTING!!

AH! YOU ATE MY SHARE, TOO!

SQUIRT

FROM THE HEAD? FROM THE TAIL? OR...

HAA... WHAT IS THE PROPER WAY TO EAT TAYAKI?

YOU MEAN AS AN APOLOGY.
PLEASE DO.

I'LL BUY YOU MORE AS A SHOW OF THANKS.

UGH. NO THANKS.
HERE.

I'M A CUSTOMER. TAYAKI, PLEASE.

YOU DON'T LISTEN, DO YOU, LITTLE BOY?

HOW MUCH IS IT?
OKAY, I'LL HAVE ONE...!

Takoyaki
Taiyaki!
Ice cream
Imagawayaki!
Okonomiyaki!
Yakisoba

NO, NO NOT UP AND DOWN READ BACK AND FORTH.

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE, YOUNG MAN?

CHECK OUT THE MENU.

OH! THERE ARE ALL KINDS!

5.

HOW MANY?

TAIYAKI!!!

THEN FORGET THE TAKOYAKI.

FINÉ!

AKAISHI, SMILE, SMILE!

I JUST SAID THERE IS NO SWEET TAKOYAKI FLAVOR!! TAKOYAKI TASTES LIKE OCTOPUS AND THAT'S IT!!

THEN MAKE IT BANANA.

AND TAKOYAKI WITH A SWEET FLAVOR.

TAKOYAKI DOESN'T COME WITH SWEET FLAVOR

I GUESS HAVING THIS FOR DINNER ONCE IN 50 YEARS ISN'T SO BAD.

SMILE, SMILE!

LITTLE JERK...

I'LL TAKE SOME OF THOSE SWEET THINGS...

*TAKOYAKI: BALLS OF WHEAT-FLOUR BATTER COOKED WITH PIECES OF OCTOPUS. YUM.
ISN'T THERE SOMETHING ELSE YOU'D BETTER SAY FIRST, SHIN?

MOM, I'M HUNGRY!

WELCOME BACK AND WE'RE GOING TO BE EATING DINNER SOON.

I'M HOME AND I'M HUNGRY.

YOU SAY, "I'M HOME!!"

YOUR BUTT'S BEEN SAGGING LATELY, MITZ!

COME ON, SHIN, HAVE SOME!

THE SHARP FRAGMENTS SLICE RIGHT THROUGH MY CHEEKS!

MAMA... NOTHING BETTER THAN AN EARTHENWARE POT IN THE WINTER.

HOT POT...?!

WE'RE HAVING HOT POT TONIGHT!!
Would you help me cut the vegetables?

Sure!

Oh, you put the food in it...

You can’t eat the actual hot pot!

Hahaha! Silly!

Now’s the time to teach him the proper way of handling a knife.

Do your best.

With a knife?

Hey!

That one took another couple years off my life.

Next time, please practice on something other than a tomato.

I was practicing.

Eh?!

Fssst... think

Giant peeny!

What a kind-hearted boy...

I kind of feel sorry for the radish...

Thank... ha!
PUT IN THE MEAT.
LET'S PUT IN THE FOOD!
I KNOW!
BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE HAD HOT POT!

PUT IN THE ENOKI MUSHROOMS...
PUT IN THE SHUNGIKU MUSHROOMS...
YOU CAN'T BE A FUSSY EATER!!
GET THAT BACK HERE!!
DON'T PUT IN THE LEEK AND HIDE IT AWAY...

AHHH...
CHOCOLATE IS NOT SUBTLE!
I MEANT IT TO ADD A SUBTLE FLAVOR...
DRY...
CAN'T FORGET THE CHOCOLATE...
DON'T DO THAT!

OH, COME ON!
YOU CAN'T BRING HOT POT TO YOUR SCHOOL FOR LUNCH!

MAYBE WE'VE HIT UPON THE RECIPE FOR HAPPINESS! HOHOHO!
MAMM... GOOD! SMAK! SHAKE!

SMAK! SMAK!

DESPITE THAT, SOMEHOW...
ONE SUNDAY MORNING WITH A LOT OF PACKING SNOW...

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?! YOU RUN OUT IN YOUR PAJAMAS AND BARE FEET, WITHOUT EATING BREAKFAST ...

DON'T GIVE ME, 'HOHO'!!

WOWO!

SWISH!

AH, HELLO! WE'LL BE OFF YOUR PROPERTY IN JUST A SECOND!

...AND FROLIC IN SOMEBODY ELSE'S YARD?!

MY SNOW IS ALL USED UP! UWAAGH!
WHEN YOU EAT THAT FAST, YOU BITE YOUR TONGUE AND LIPS!

UHHH... BLOOD'S DRIPPING FROM HIS MOUTH!

YAYYNN... I'LL HAVE BREAKFAST, TOO.

EAT MORE SLOWLY!! THE SNOW'S NOT GOING TO RUN AWAY.

SLURP SNARE.

WHY DON'T I HELP YOU?

YOU DON'T?

YOU DON'T NEED SCISSORS AND PASTE TO MAKE A SNOWMAN.

HERE, WIPING THE BLOOD OFF YOUR MOUTH FIRST, SO THE NEIGHBORS DON'T THINK YOU WERE DEVOURING LIVE ANIMALS FOR BREAKFAST.

LATER!! I'M GONNA MAKE ME A SNOWMAN.

HEY, HOW FAR YOU PLAN ON TAKING THAT?!

YEAH... LIKE THIS...

ROLL ROLL

THAT'S PRETTY GOOD, DAD.

ROLL ROLL

YOU MAKE THE HEAD.

INTO WHAT?

YOU DIDN'T PUT ANY THOUGHT AT ALL INTO IT, DID YOU?

GET SOMETHING FROM INSIDE TO MAKE THE EYES AND NOSE.
NO YOU WON'T!!
I'LL MAKE IT INTO A MAN SNOWMAN!

IT'S CUTE!
TA-DAAA!
FINISHED!

I'M GONNA PUT TEA ON THE SNOWMAN SO HE DOESN'T CATCH COLD.
WHERE ARE YOU TAKING HOSE?

WHY ARE YOU SCOOPING OUT THE CHEST?
THEN I'LL MAKE IT INTO YOU, MOM.

OFF THE TOP OF HER HEAD...
THEY'RE TOO SENSITIVE TO HOT FOOD AND DRINKS.
THEN CAN I GIVE IT SOME TEA?

SNOWMEN ARE NATURALLY RESISTANT TO THE COLD.

I THINK WOOLEN UNDERWEAR WOULD BE BETTER THAN THESE.

GROANNN

????

YAHOO!

GROAN

GROAN

GROAN

GROAN
I MERRILY GO MY OWN WAY

CHAPTER 5

TODAY, THE PRIME MINISTER

BUT NOOO, HE HAS TO STAY UP TO WATCH HIS FAVORITE REPORTER GIVE THE NEWS...

TCH! THAT'S WHY I TELL HIM TO GO TO BED EARLY!

CHIRP CHIRP CHIRP

SHIN, HOW LONG DID YOU PLAN ON SLEEPING? WAKE UP!!

WHAT IS HE, A GECKO ...?

SWISH

ZZZZ

WAKE UP RIGHT THIS MINUTE!!

SWISH SWISH SWISH

COME ON, COME ON!!
WHAT'S WRONG?

GRRR!

IF YOU THINK YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT, BRING IT ON! HAHAA!

OWWW!! STUPID!

PWAP
PWAP

OHWW!! I GET IT! GOOD ONE!!

WHORK
WHORK

POUNDED RICE CAKE BOOBS!

THEY WERE BIGGER ONCE, BUT YOU SHRUNK THEM WHEN YOU WERE A BABY!!

THROO... THROO...

AND ONCE IN A WHILE, YOUR FATHER, TOO... I MEAN

YOU LITTLE....!!

NO, UNDER THE HEATER ...

IN THE "WHIRR... BEEP" MACHINE?

I'M COLD! DID YOU WARM UP MY CLOTHES?

MICROWAVE

YES, I DID!

ANYWAY, THIS IS NO TIME FOR INSULTS! THE BUS'LL BE HERE SOON!
DON'T TOUCH THAT EGG.

WE DON'T HAVE TIME, SO IT'S EGG ON RICE FOR BREAKFAST.

OKAY?

YAY!

REALIZING: "THIS IS GONNA TAKE A LONG TIME..."

OH! KEIKO! LONG TIME NO TALK! WHAT'S UP?

HELLO, NOHARA RESIDENCE.

SNOT!

AH...

YAA!

DRIPT KRIK

I ASSUME THEY'RE GOING TO BE LATE AGAIN TODAY...

I TOLD YOU NOT TO TOUCH THE EGG!! YOU DON'T PLAY WITH FOOD!

HUUH, YOU DON'T SEE SNOT WITH PIECES OF EGGSHHELL ATTACHED EVERYDAY.

ACTION KINDERGARTEN

WAHHH!

WHACK
I MERRILY GO MY OWN WAY

CHAPTER 6

HEM... HEM...

...SO NOW IT'S TIME TO RELAX.

WELL, THE AFTERNOON HOUSEWORK'S FINISHED...

NEARLY GAVE ME A HEART ATTACK...

DASH DASH DASH!

GAH! ARF! ARF!

TWITCH!

HEY!! SHIN, CUT IT OUT! ONLY YOUR FATHER IS ALLOWED TO DO THAT!

AH!

WHAT?

SHIN!

SHIN, COME HERE A MINUTE!

SHIN'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT.
IF I AM WHOSE FAULT DO YOU THINK IT IS?
ARE YOU SICK?

WHY DID YOU PUT SHIRO UNDER THE BLANKET?

IT'S YOUR FAULT!!

THAT ROTTEN SHIRO! HE GAVE MOM A DISEASE...

I KNOW, I'M REALLY KIND...

THAT'S ADMIRABLE, SHIN.

WHAT A SWEET BOY...

IT'S COLD OUTSIDE, SO I FELT SORRY FOR HIM...

HAHA... THERE'S TODAY'S SPANKING

WHACK WHACK WHACK

WHACK

NEXT-DOOR NEIGHBOR

WAHHH!

SWISH

...WHICH IS WHY I DID THIS!

TURTLE

GOLDFISH

NEIGHBORHOOD ALLEY CATS
YOU HELP ME, TOO!!
NOT ANYONE, EXACTLY...
DON'T BLAME IT ON ANYONE ELSE!
LOOK AT WHAT YOU GUYS DID...
THAT'S IT!! I'M PUTTING THIS AWAY!!

GOOD TWING. IT'S ALMOST SPRING ANYWAY.

THERE, MUCH SIMPER.

YOU WANNA BE SPANKED AGAIN?

YOU'RE WEARING THE SEE-THROUGH PANTIES AGAIN.

FWISH

FWISH

STUBBORN!

I'M ABSOLUTELY NOT GETTING IT OUT AGAIN I HAVE SPOKEN!

PIG-HEADED!

WE'VE GOT A COLD FRONT COMING IN TONIGHT WHICH WILL LAST ALL WEEK, BRINGING WITH IT THE COLDEST TEMPERATURES WE'RE LIKELY TO SEE THIS SEASON...

ABSOLUTELY NOT.

WE CAN'T USE THE HEATED BLANKET ANYMORE?

NOT TILL LATE NEXT FALL...

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I MERRILY GO MY OWN WAY

CHAPTER 7

THAT'S RIGHT, AND SO ARE YOU.

OH! YOU'RE WEARING EXPENSIVE-LOOKING CLOTHES! ARE YOU GOING SOMEWHERE?

YES, I WAS WONDERING IF I MIGHT PUT UPON YOU TO WATCH MY SON, WHILE I'M GONE...

OH! YOU'RE GOING TO A FUNERAL FOR AN ACQUAINTANCE? SORRY TO HEAR THAT.

EH??

OF COURSE, OF COURSE!

DING-DONG DING-DONG

I KNOW, I KNOW!

THIS IS THE OLD WOMAN NEXT DOOR'S HOUSE.

DON'T NIT-PICK!!

SO IF SHE TELLS ME TO "DIE," I HAVE TO DIE?

AND YOU DO WHATEVER SHE TELLS YOU!!

I HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF THE OLD WOMAN?

AAHAHAHA! DON'T MAKE ME OUT TO BE A MURDERER!

SHE'S GOING TO TAKE CARE OF YOU.
I'M SORRY, SHIN. I'LL COME HOME AS SOON AS I CAN.

MOM! MOM! UHAAAA!

THANK YOU!

SEE YOU LATER, SHIN!

UHHH... I'LL REMEMBER THAT WHEN I GET HOME!

AH... SURE. HAHAA...

WELL, SHALL WE GO INSIDE?

AM I A GOOD ACTOR?

Y-YOU REALLY KNOW YOUR SNACKS... HAHAA...

EXPENSIVE SNACKS RESERVED FOR GUESTS. I WANT THAT ONE!

THIS SHOULD BE FINE. CHEAP SNACKS.

WOULD YOU LIKE A SNACK?

OH YEAH!

FINE...

BUT HEAT IT UP FOR ME.

IS A SPORTS DRINK OKAY?

SURE!
AHAHAAA! I KNEW IT! YOUR MOM HAS THAT STRONG-WILLED LOOK ABOUT HER.

DAD ALWAYS ENDS UP APOLOGIZING.

MOM.

SOMETIMES.

SO, DO YOUR MOM AND DAD FIGHT?

OF COURSE!! BE RIGHT BACK!

I'LL HAVE A REFILL.

I WOKE UP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT LAST NIGHT, AND MY MOM AND DAD WERE IN THE FLUTON...

YES, YES? WHAT WERE THEY DOING?

CRASH

SLEEPING SOUNDLY.

DASH DASH DASH

OKAY, YOU WOKE UP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT AND YOU SAW YOUR MOM AND DAD DOING WHAT?

I THOUGHT SHE WAS CHEAP GUESS YOU CAN'T TELL...

I GOT RITZY SNACKS AND SPORTS DRINKS.

HUH. WHAT ELSE?

BUN FROM FUNERAL SERVICE

NICE CATCH...

FWAP
I MERRILY GO MY OWN WAY

CHAPTER 8

IF YOU'RE DONE, PUT MOM ON THE LINE

MR. TURKEY, DON'T BOBBLE YOUR FOOD! CHEW IT UP AND WASH IT DOWN WITH GRAVY! JESSICA ALBA IS ALL THAT, BUT NOT MY MOM, WHO EASILY GETS HURT!

HELLO, TURKEY HERE!

COMING!

OHHH OHHH OHHH

SHHH SHHH SHHH

DAD, THE MAN WHO MADE YOU! DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE MY VOICE?

WHO IS THIS?

P-PROVE IT...

PROVE IT!

WAHAHAHA! I'M ACTION MASK!!

IF YOU'RE REALLY MY DAD, YOU CAN DO AN ImitATION OF ACTION MASK. DO IT OR I'M HANGING UP!
THAT’S WHAT I’VE BEEN SAYING SINCE YOU PICKED UP!

OH! DAD, IS THAT YOU?

KEEPING THEIR DISTANCE

ALRIGHT?! I DID IT! NOW PUT YOUR MOTHER ON THE PHONE!!

YOU DON’T HAVE TO CHANGE!

LET ME PUT ON NEW UNDERPANTS FIRST.

I’M MEETING YOUR FATHER AT THE STATION. WANNA COME?

MITZ! THANK GOD!! I’M AT THE STATION RIGHT NOW, BUT I DON’T HAVE AN UMBRELLA, SO COME AND MEET ME!

DON’T STEP IN THE PUDDLES ON PURPOSE!

CUT IT OUT!!

SPLASH!

YOU HAVE NO IDEA OF WHY WE’RE MEETING YOUR FATHER, DO YOU?

SPPPHHH

IT’S RAINING! I SAY WE FORGET ABOUT IT.

THAT WAS “ACCIDENTALLY-PURPOSE”!!

WHOOPS! I STUMBLED!

GOT IT. I WON’T GO IN THE PUDDLES ON PURPOSE.

I DO THE LAUNDRY, SO DON’T GET YOURSELF ANY DIRTER THAN NECESSARY.
SHIN, WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE!
YOU STUPID, ASS PUDDLE!
SEE? THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DON'T LISTEN TO ME!

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ASSHOLE! HAVE YOU GOT YOUR HEAD UP YOUR ASS?!

SPASH

VROOM

HEV! I COULDN'T TAKE WAITING ANYMORE...

OH! HE'S THE ONE WHO ACTED LIKE A GOOFBALL ON THE PHONE BEFORE!

AH! THERE'S YOUR FATHER!

AH, WHO CARES?

I THINK WE JUST SPLASHED SOME WOMAN.

YOU IDIOT! GOD, THIS IS THE WORST NIGHT OF MY LIFE!!

SPASH!

SCREW IT, LET'S GO SINGIN' IN THE RAIN!

THEN YOU CAN GO WITH US TO THE STATION, DAD.

YOU REALLY DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?
MORE CRUDE ADVENTURES IN AUGUST!

By Yoshito Usui. Just when you thought he couldn't be any more dangerous, a chance encounter at the hot spring may lead Shin to join forces with the Yakuza! With his always direct line of questioning, Shin knocks the wind out of a couple of blustery politicians. And finally, see what happens when a gang of tough girls goes head-to-head with one dangerous little boy.
Meet the Noharas!

(aka: Shin, Shin-chan, Shin chan, Shinchan)
5 years old. Likes pretty girls, drawing on himself, rolling around on the floor, and eating a tasty snack called Choco-bees. Frequently uses both words and his Mom’s clothing in inappropriate ways. Also obsessed with bodily functions – his own and others’.

(aka: Misae)
Shin’s easily frustrated mom. She’s a stay-at-home housewife with the misfortune of being Shin’s full time caretaker. Mitzi hasn’t done much better in the husband department either, as Shin’s Dad’s behavior has to be closely monitored too. Frequently fantasizes about a better life.

(aka: Hiroshi)
A browbeaten “salary men” who is the family’s sole breadwinner. He’s low on the totem pole at work and doesn’t get much respect at home either. Like son, like father: Hiro has the eye for the pretty girls too, and Mitzi’s none too tolerant of it. He talks a lot in his sleep, which doesn’t help things much.