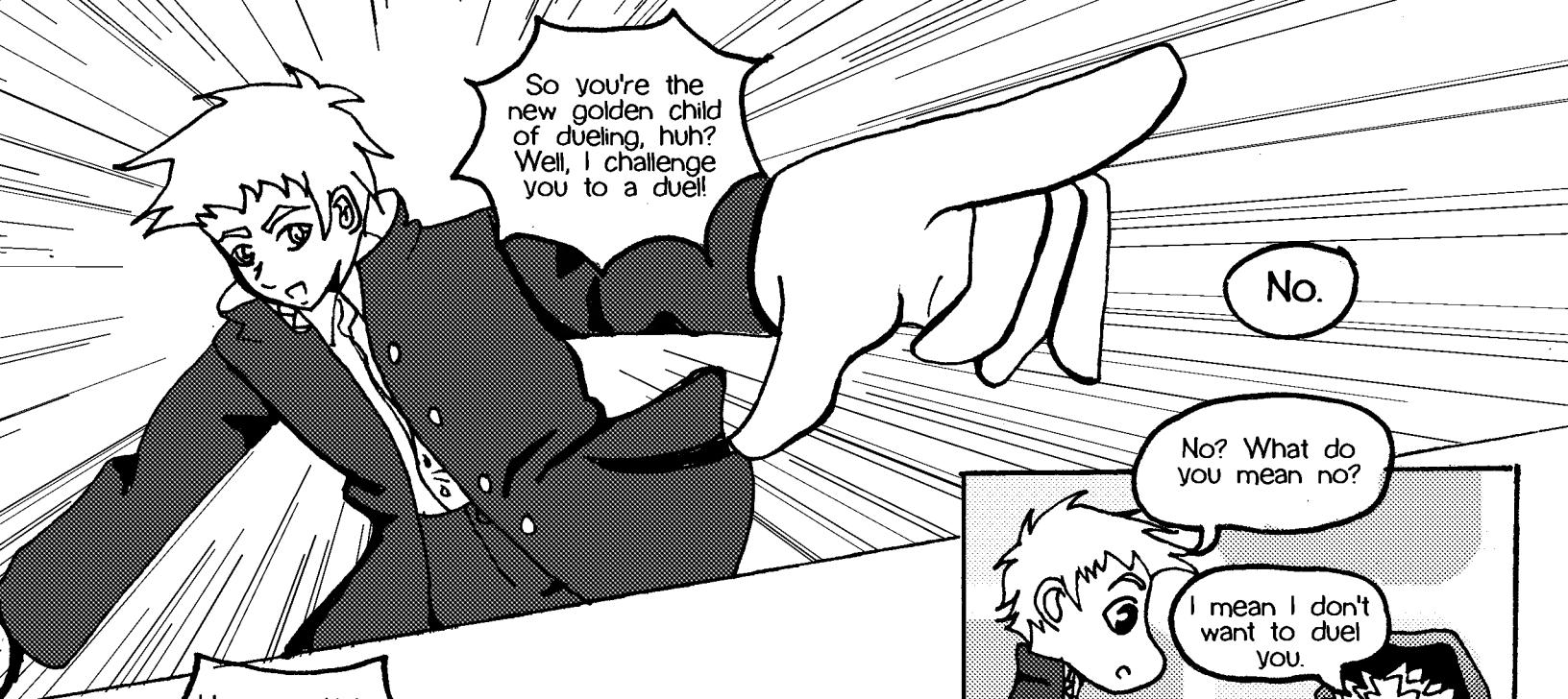


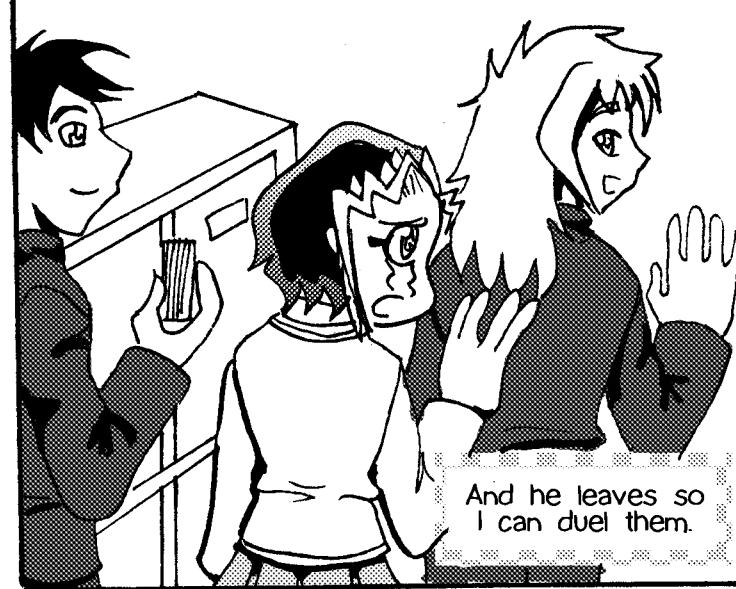
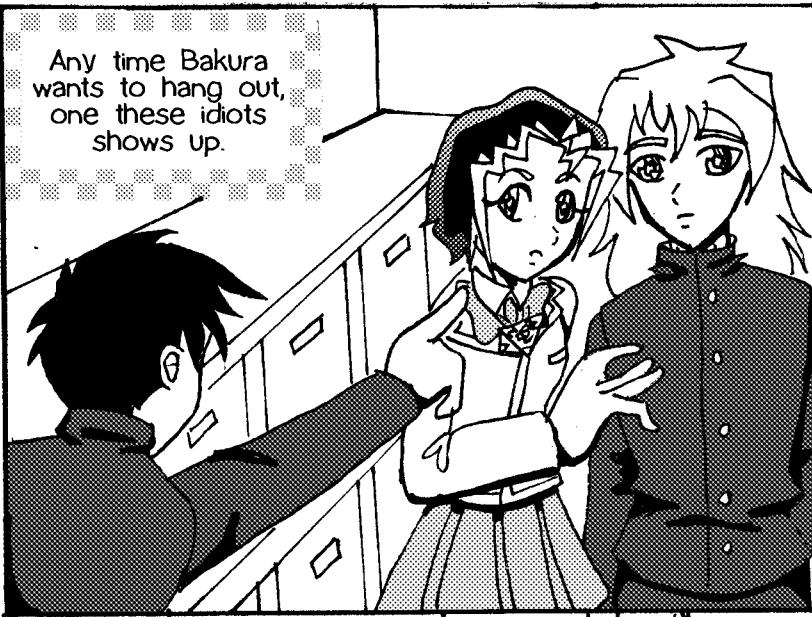
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THE QUEEN OF GAMES

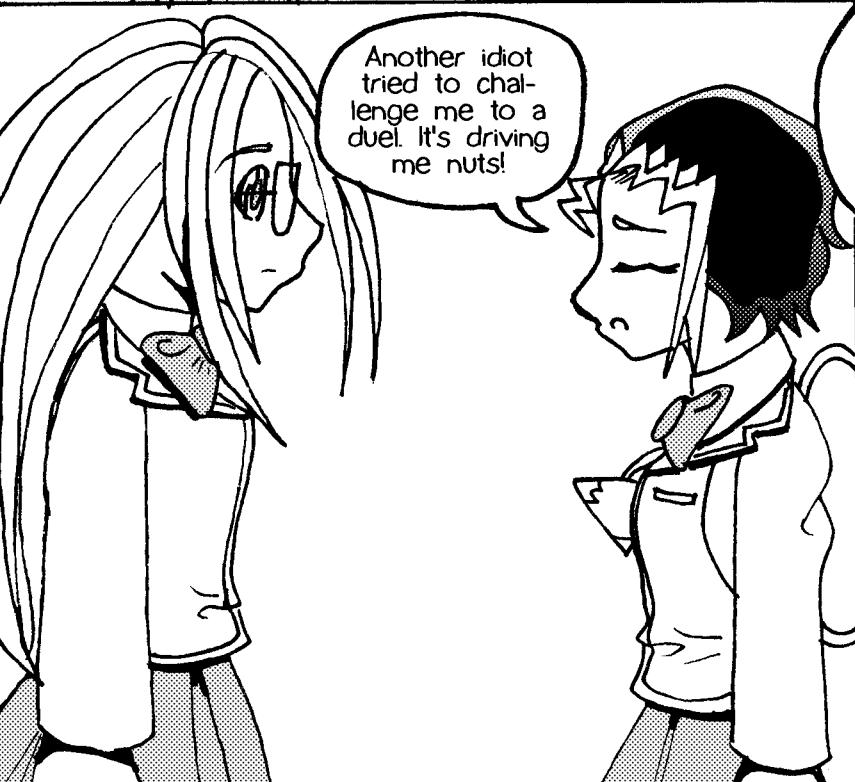
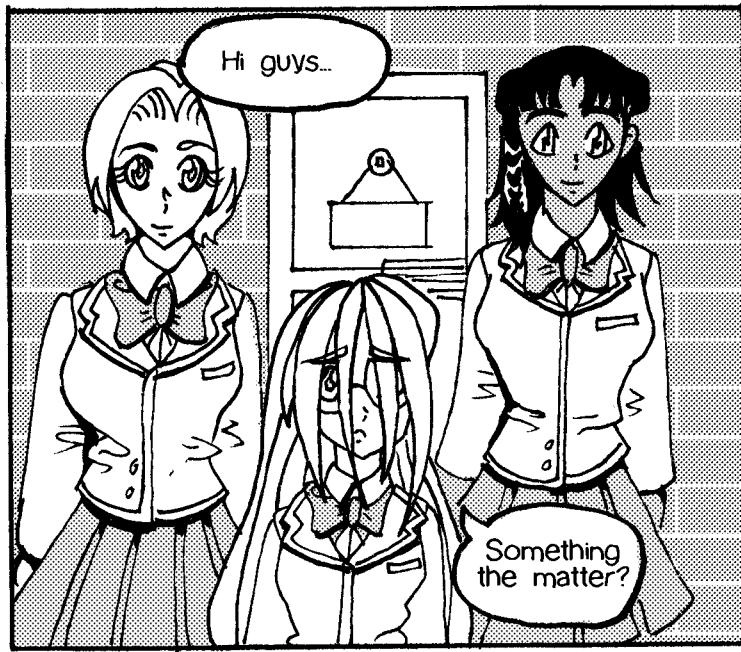


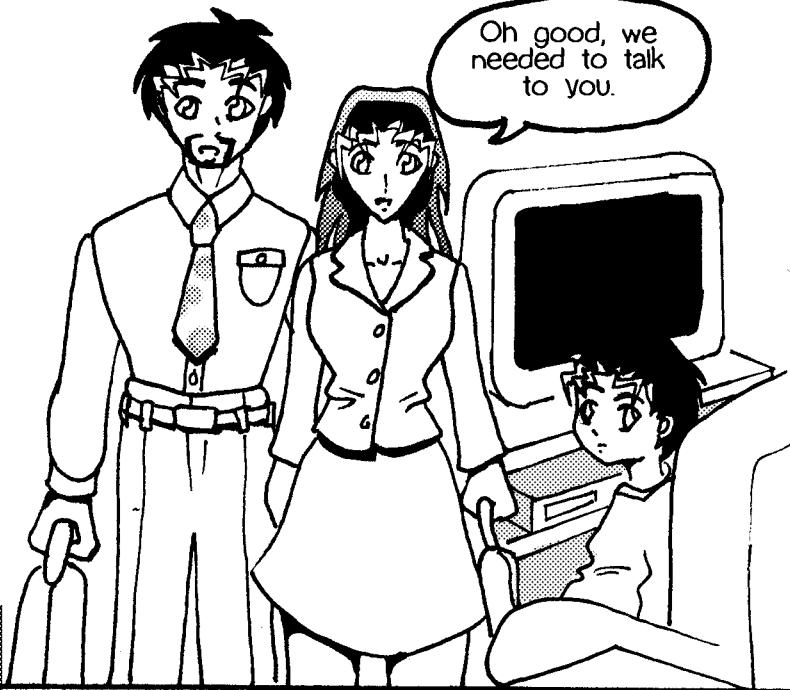
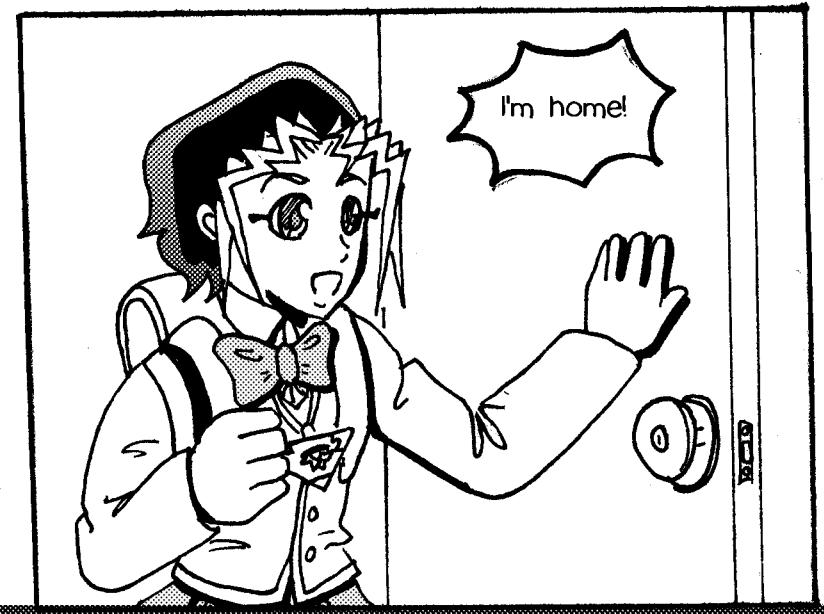
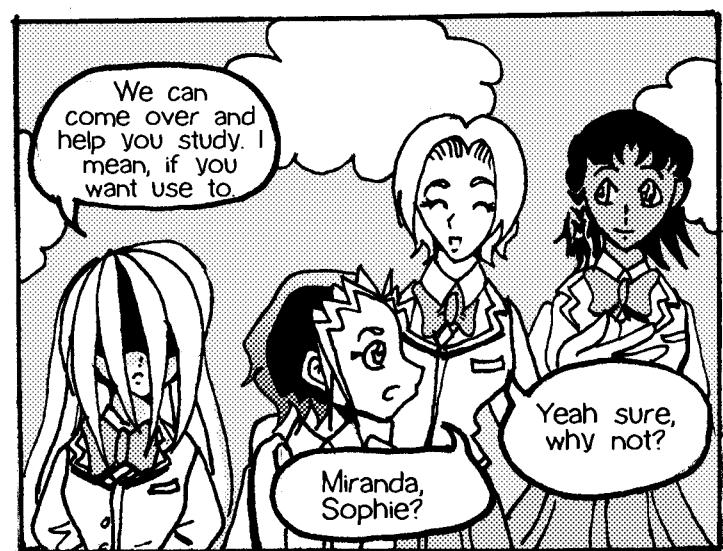
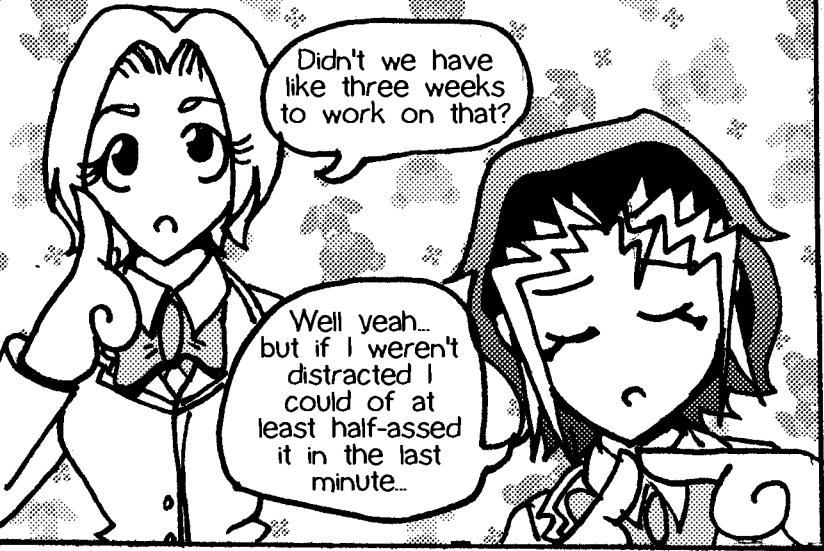


Any time Bakura wants to hang out, one of these idiots shows up.



And he leaves so I can duel them.





And while we're gone we're counting on you, Neferi, to take care of things

Really?

WHAT!

You can't leave her in charge, you know what kind of flake she is. She'll forget to feed me!

Keep that act up Twerp and it won't be an accident.

HISS

You two, at least *pretend* to get along until we get back. We don't want to feel like this is a mistake.

You can count on me!

My mom and dad work at the same financial company.

Have a safe trip!

Normally only one of them goes to a conference, this is the first time I'll be alone. It's the first time they've put this much trust in me.

I'm determined not to blow it.

Even if I have to chain the little barnacle up to make him behave.

GRRR

I'm going to call the girls over.

Whoa, hold it!

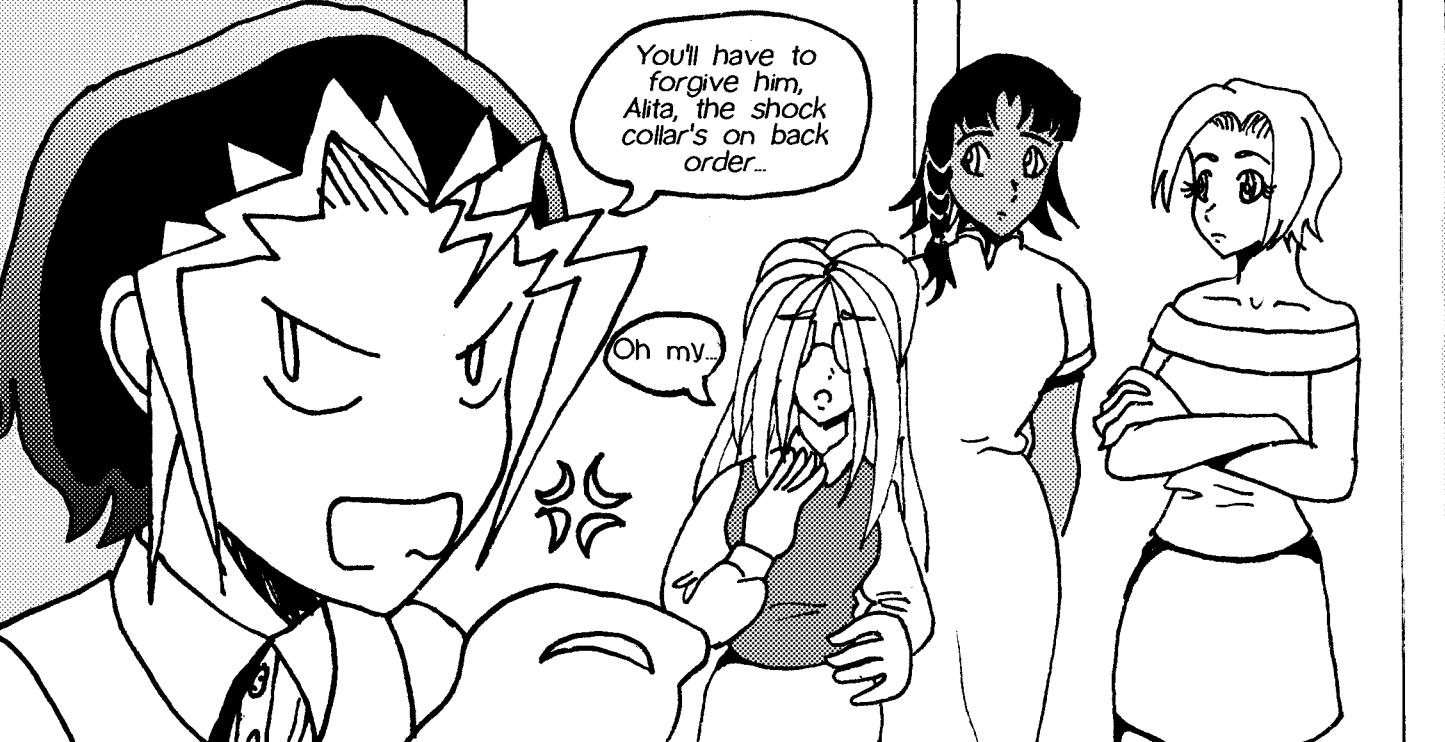
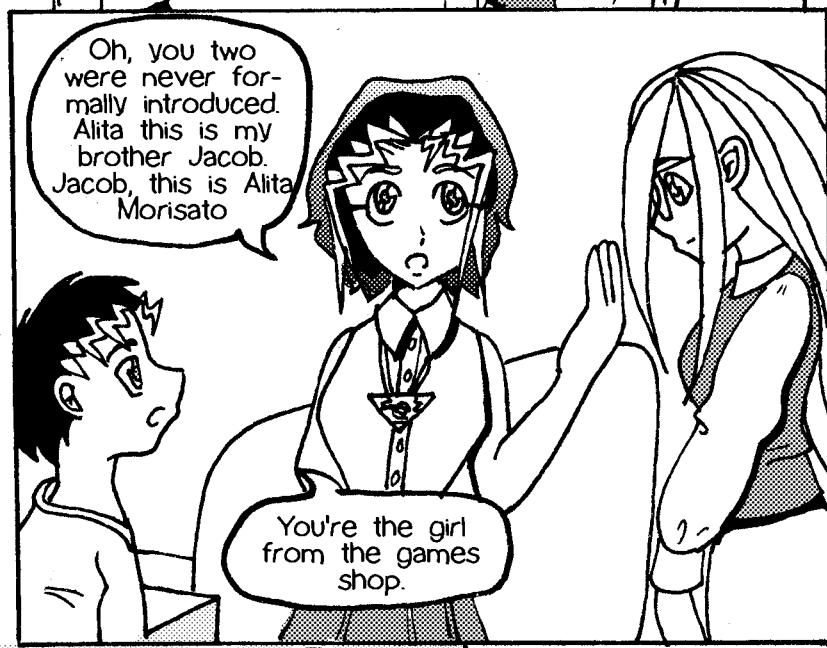
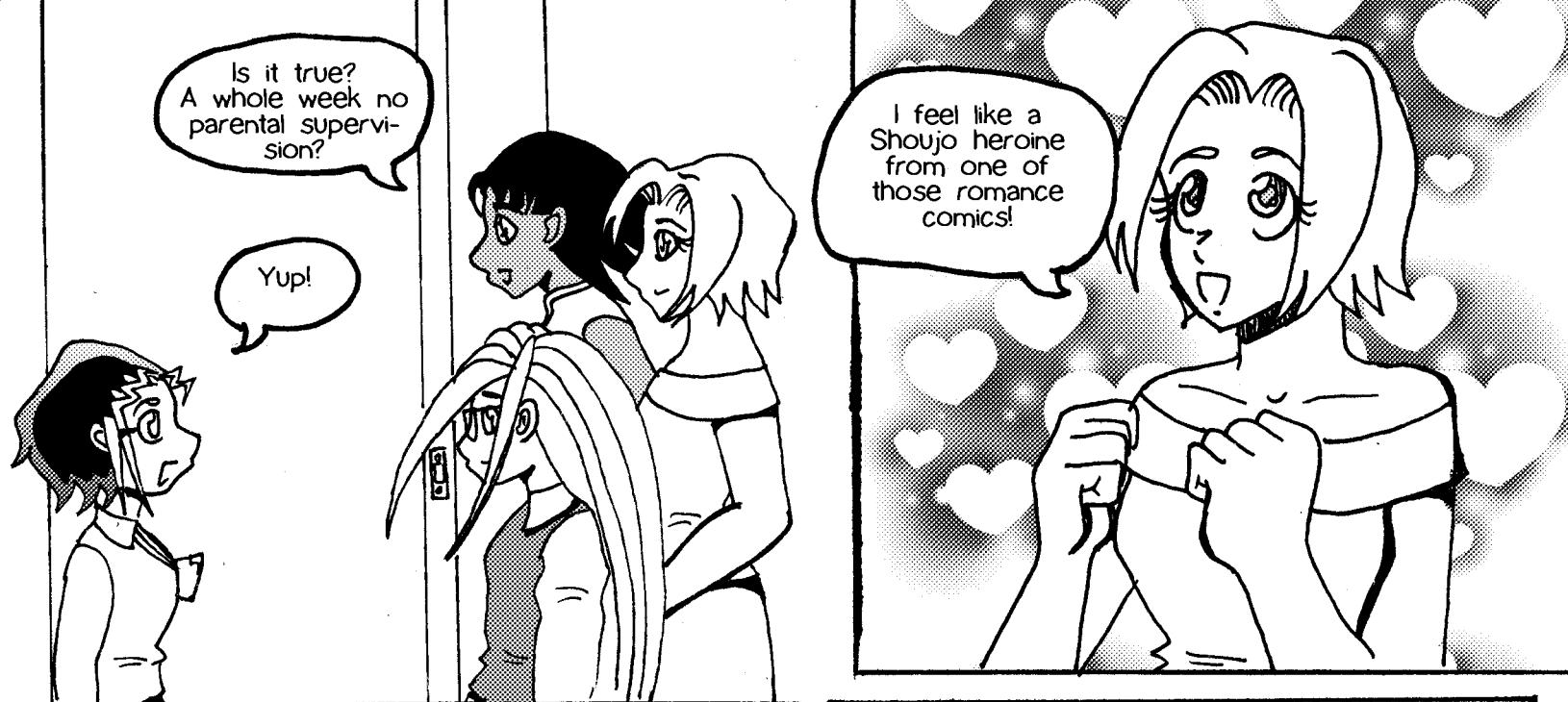
Just because Mom and Dad are gone doesn't mean this whole week is gonna be Estrogenfest!

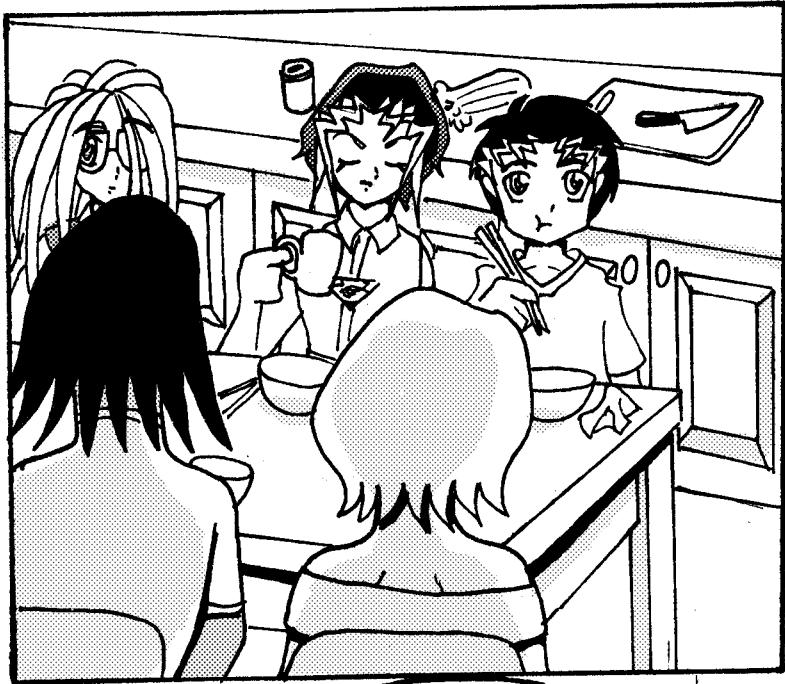
I'm in charge so I can do what I want. Besides, if you want to be fed they'll help me with dinner.

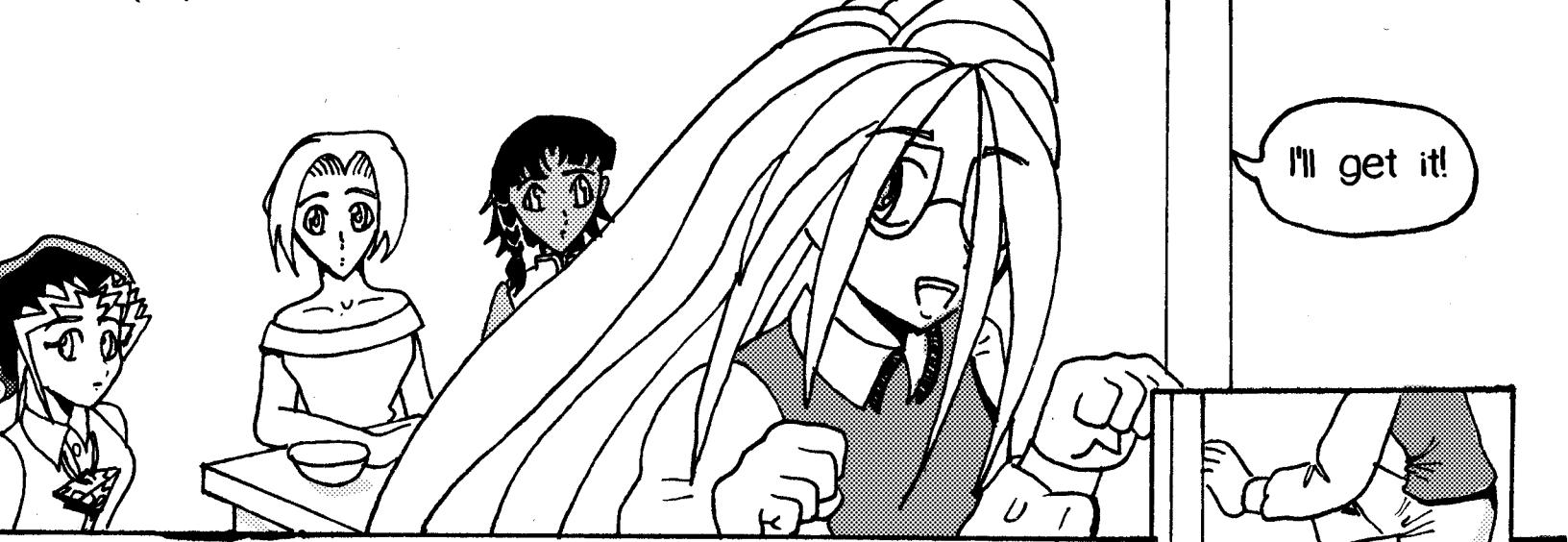
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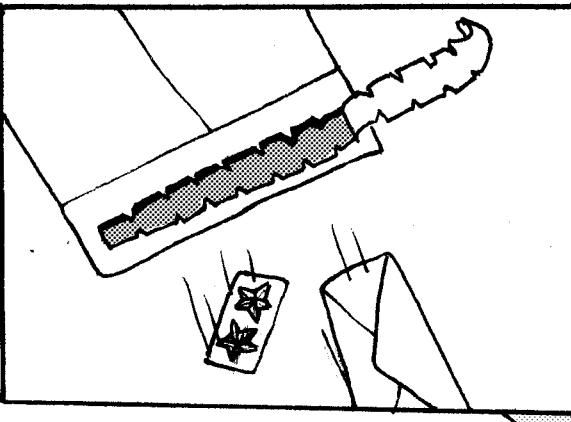
Come on in!



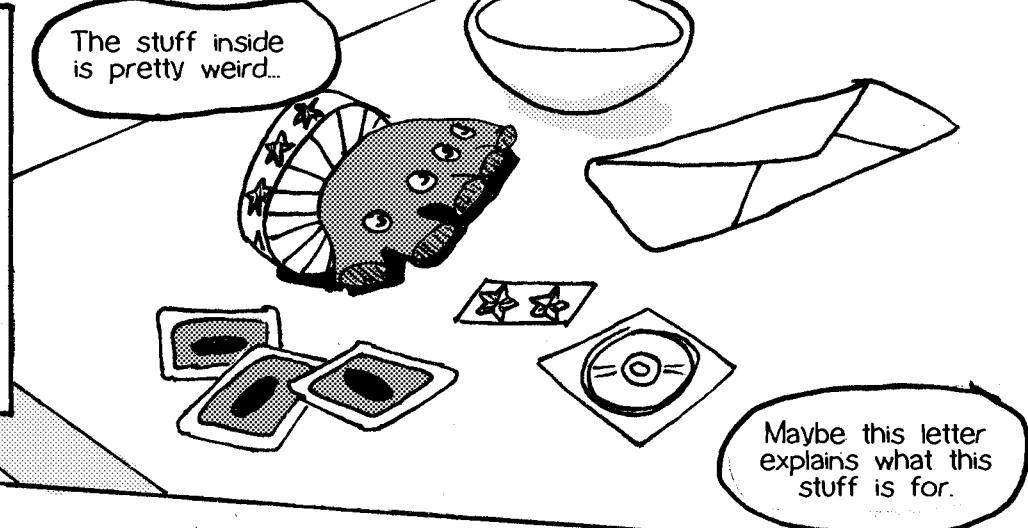




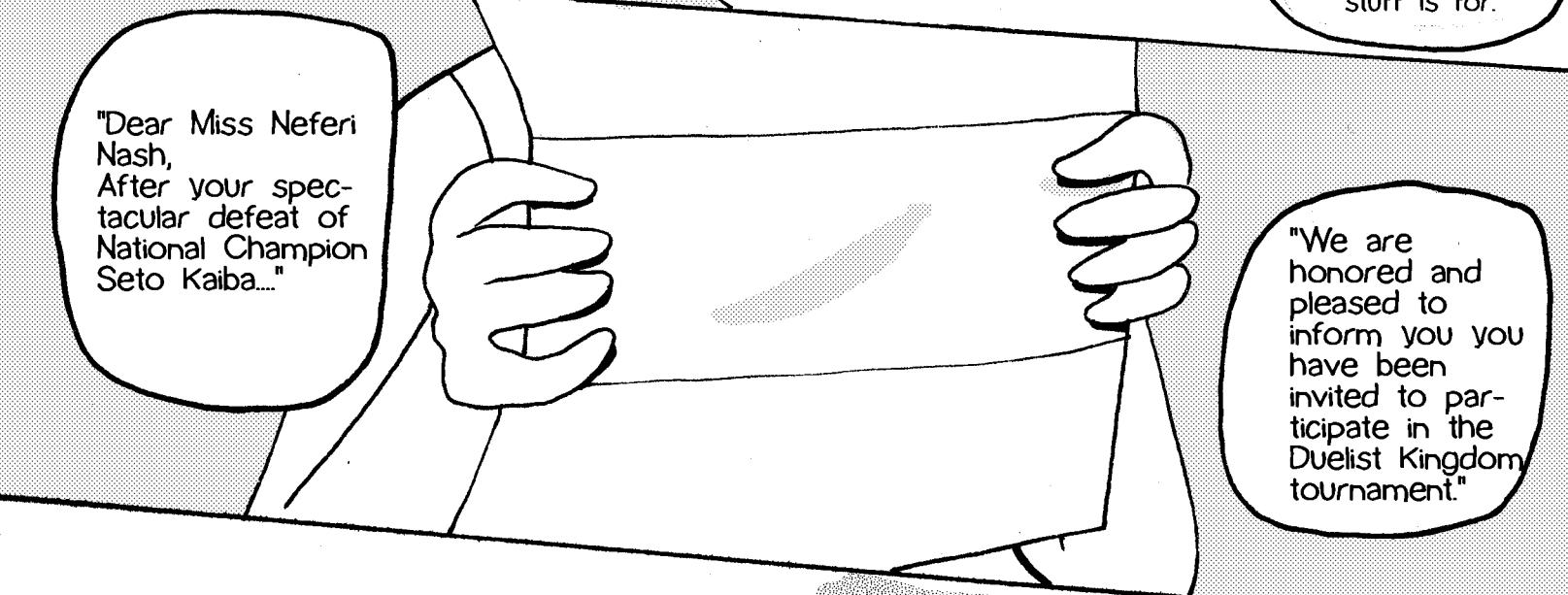




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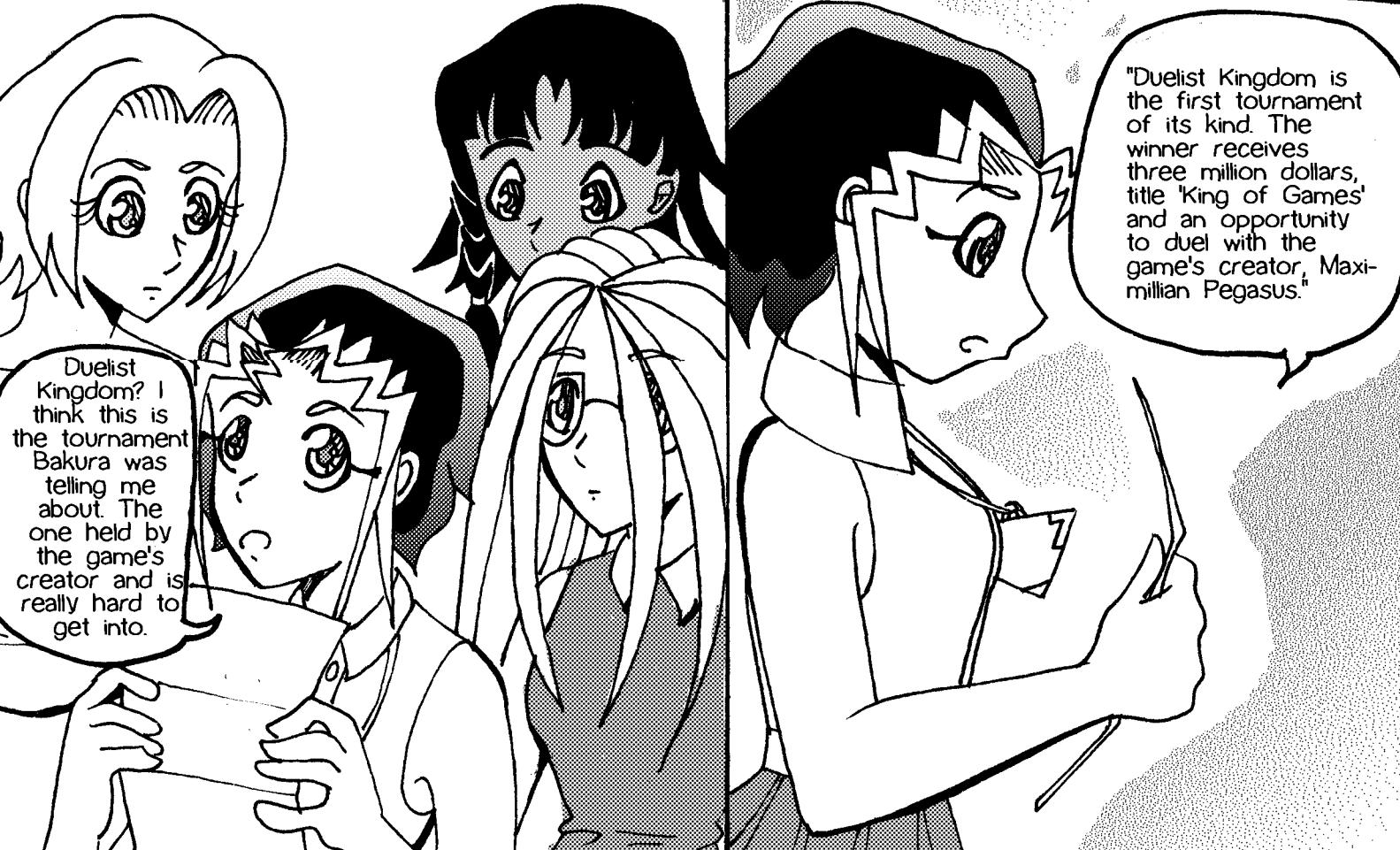


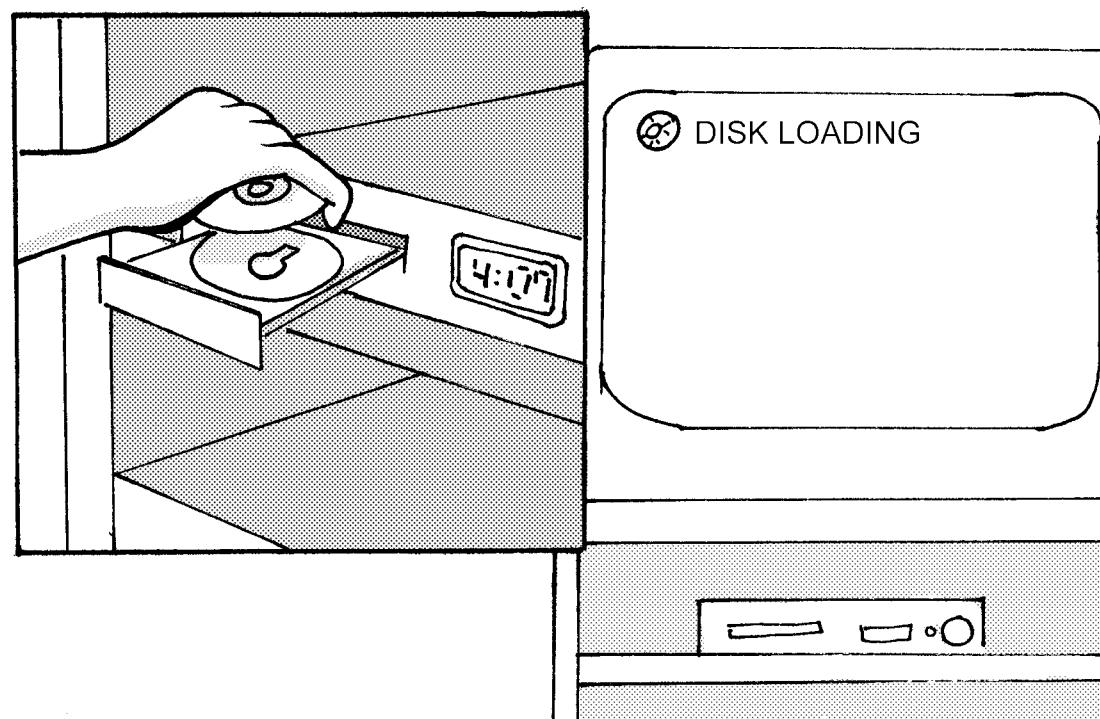
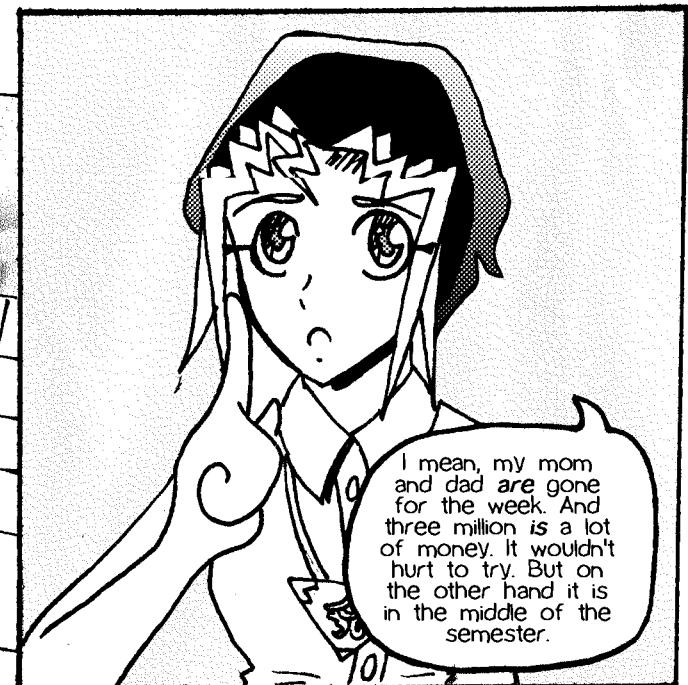
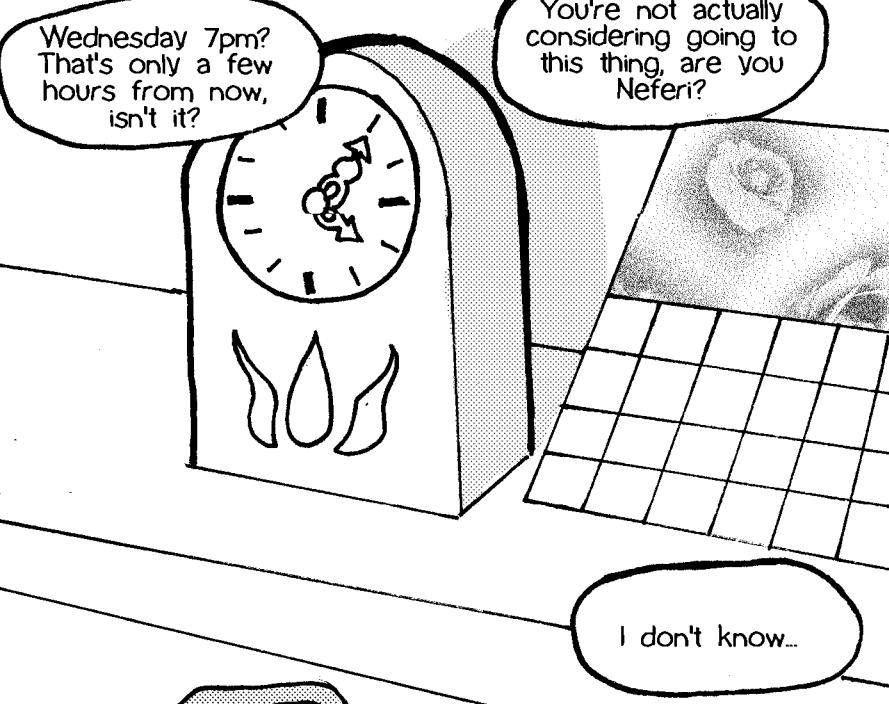
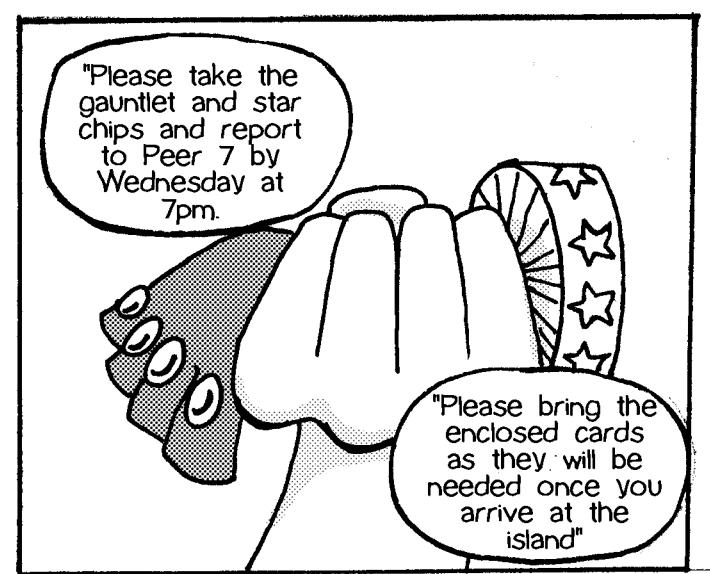
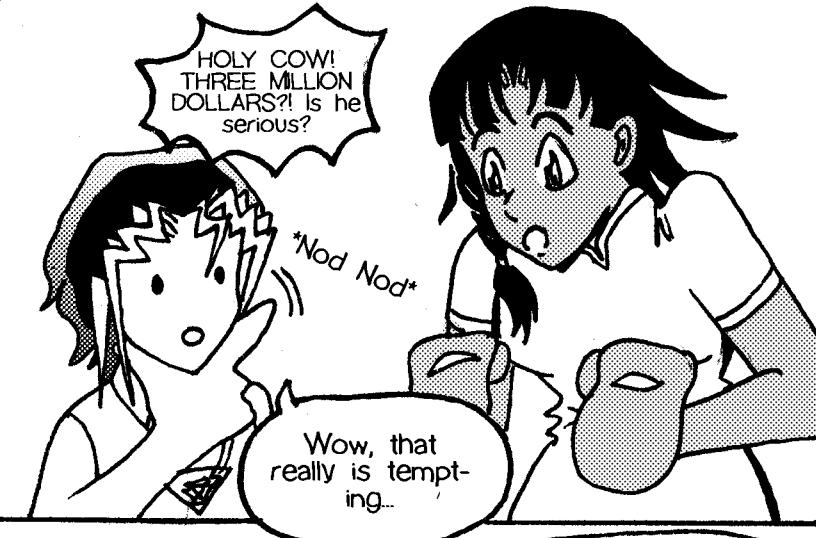
Maybe this letter explains what this stuff is for.



"Dear Miss Neferi Nash,
After your spectacular defeat of National Champion Seto Kaiba...."

"We are honored and pleased to inform you you have been invited to participate in the Duelist Kingdom tournament."





Hello, I am Maximillian Pegasus. I am the CEO of Industrial Illusions and creator of Duel Monsters.

I am here to extend my personal invitation to you, Neferi Nash to join my tournament.

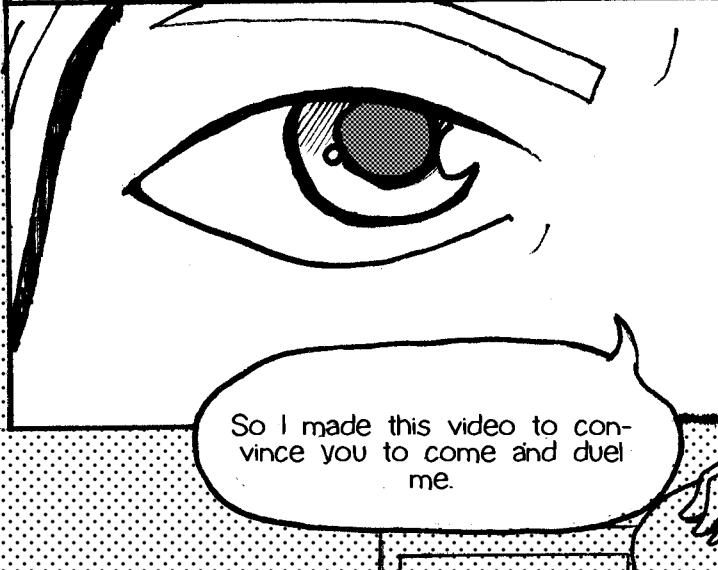
When I learned a newcomer defeated Seto Kaiba, I must tell you how pleased I was to see it was such a lovely young lady such as yourself

And between the two of us I've always found Seto Kaiba to be a stick in the mud.

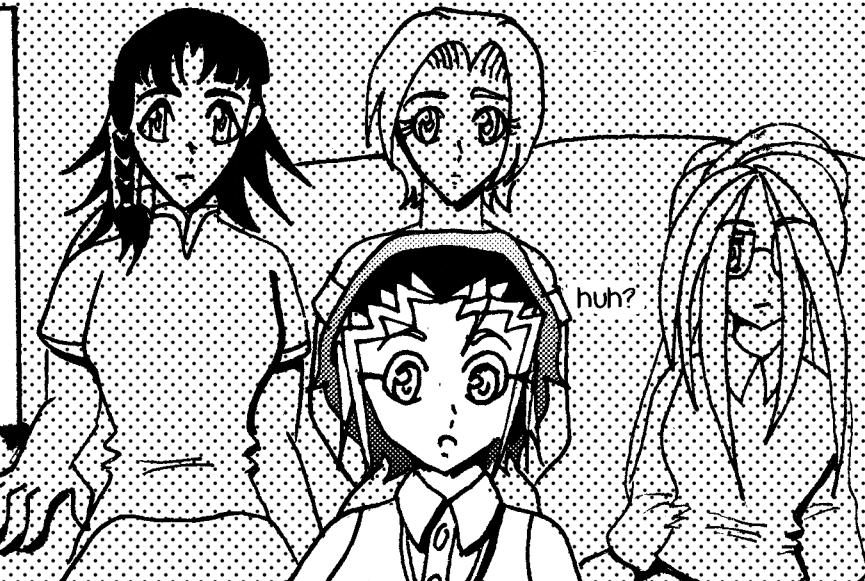
Wow. This guy is a weirdo.

Uh-huh!

But I was horrified to hear that you consider yourself only a hobbyist and may turn my invitation down.



So I made this video to convince you to come and duel me.

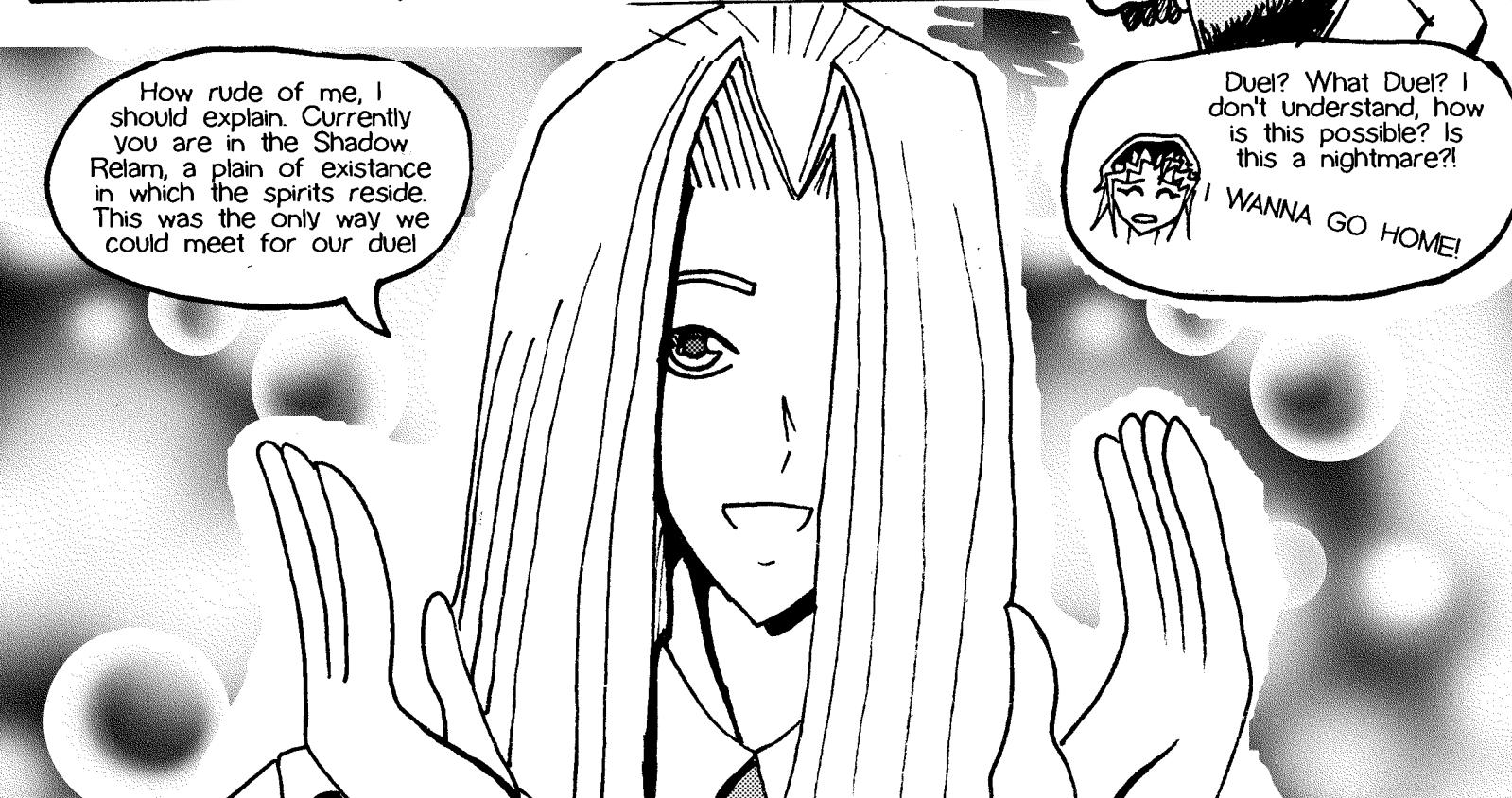


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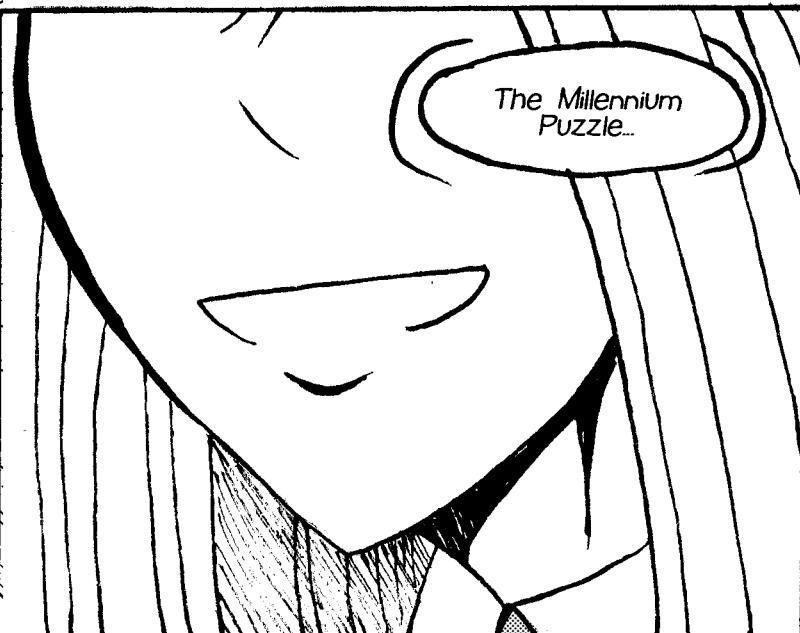
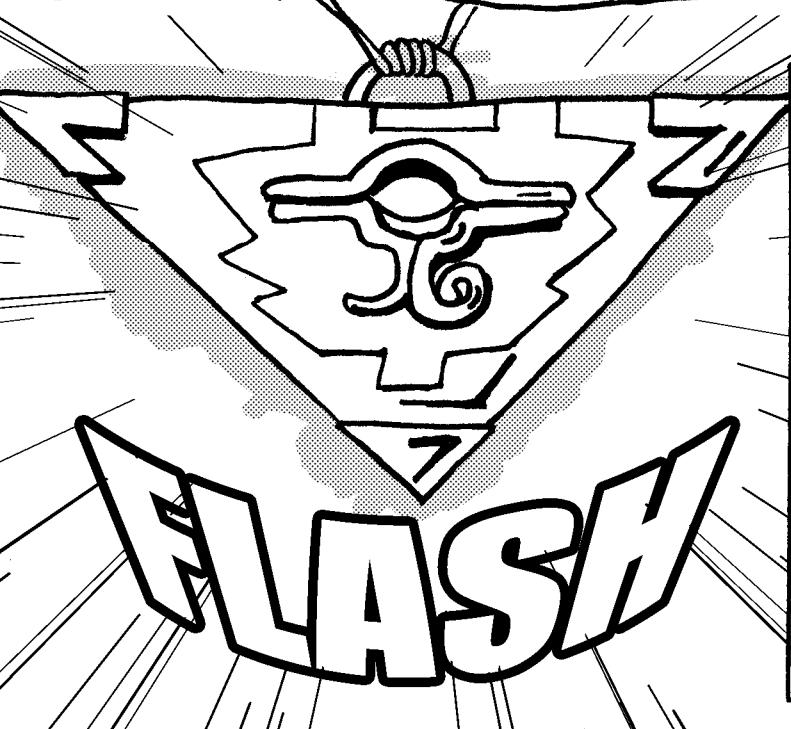
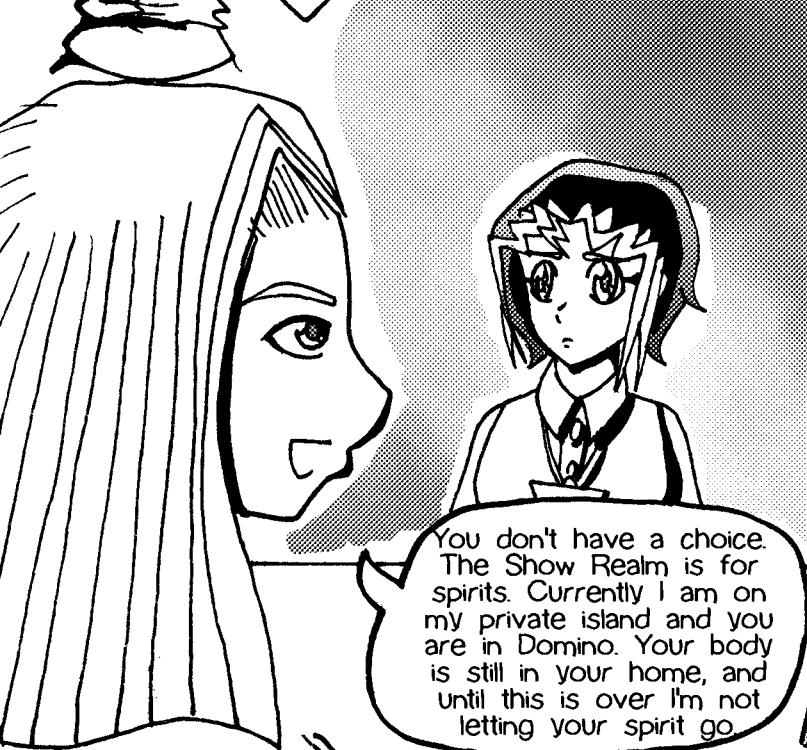
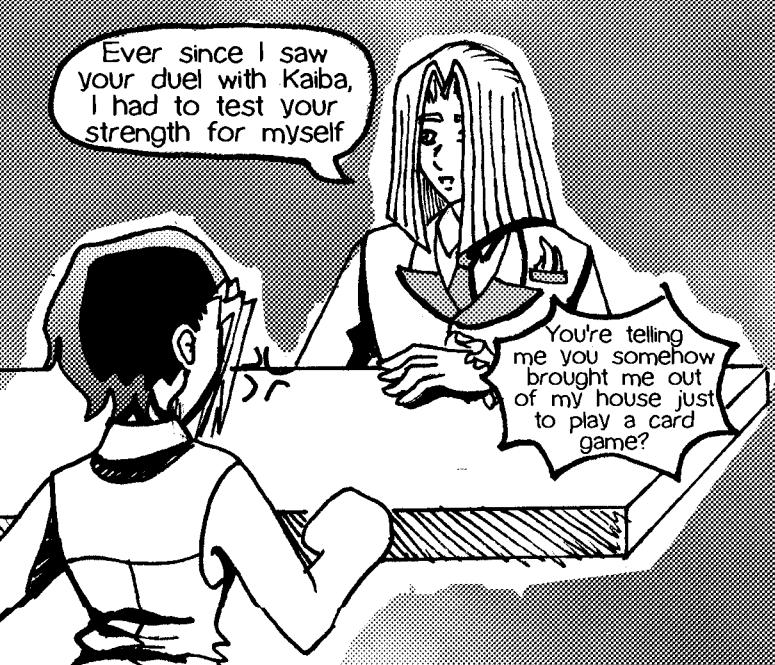
Ah, Neferi, I'm so pleased to finally meet you face to face--if not in the flesh.

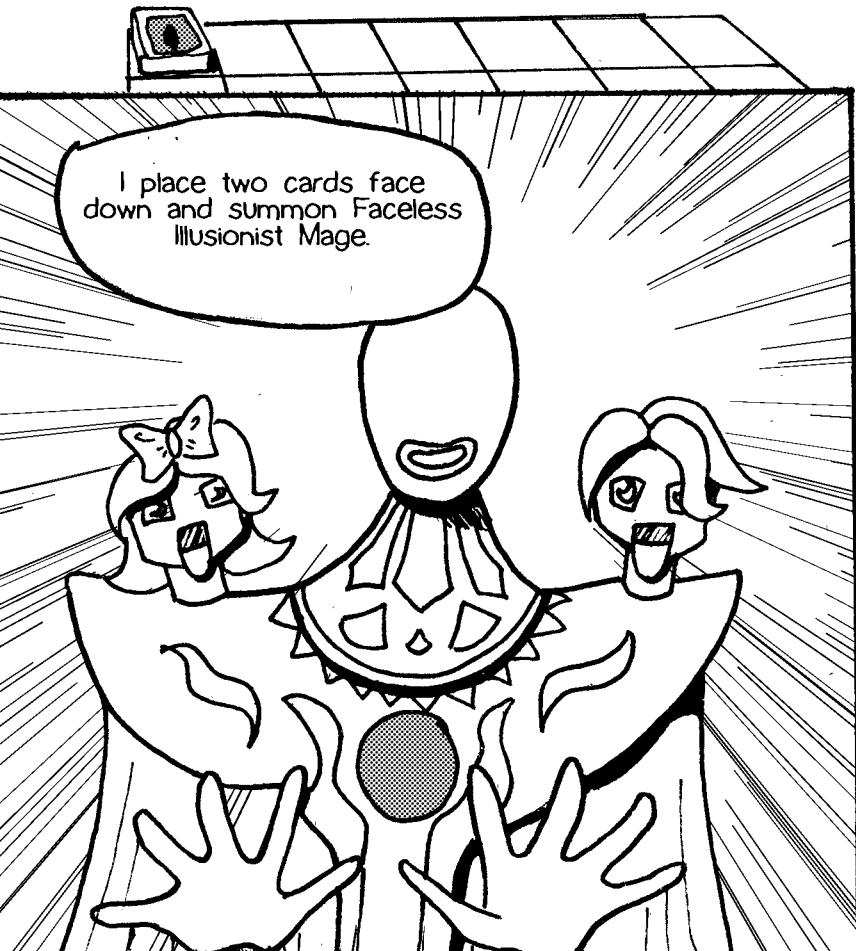
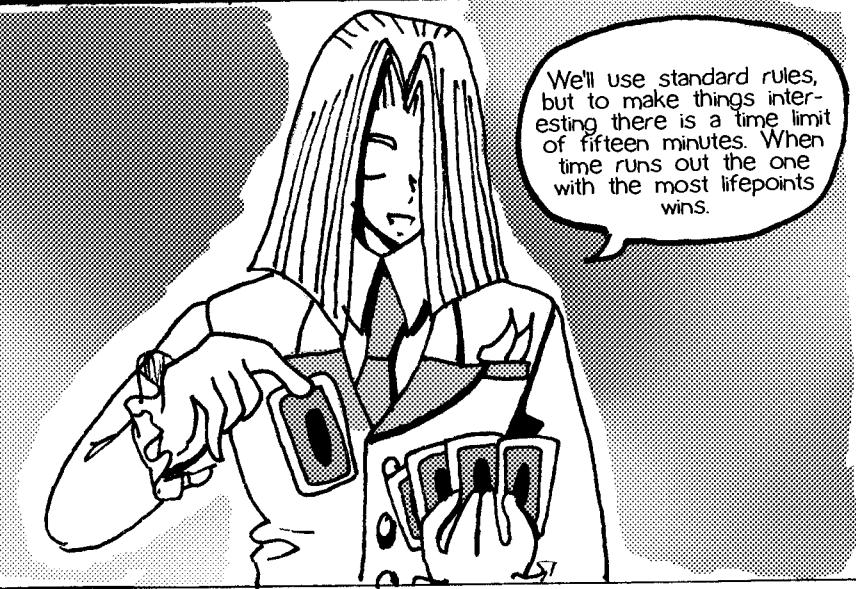
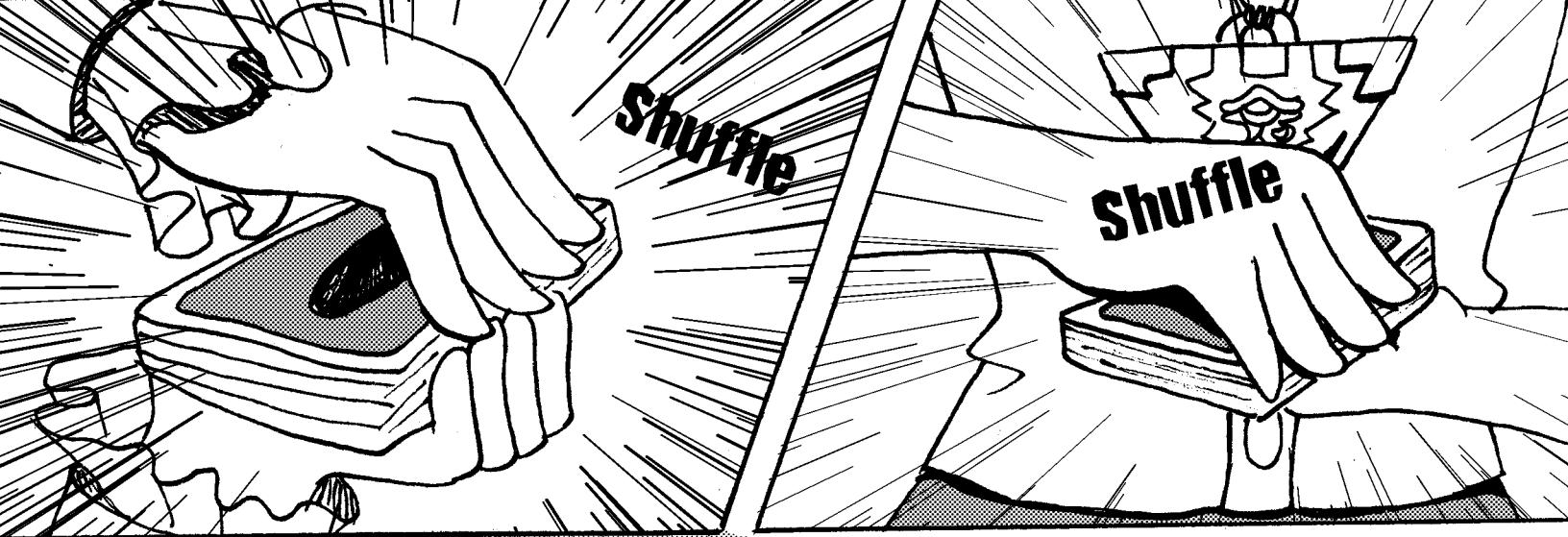
W-what's happening?



How rude of me, I should explain. Currently you are in the Shadow Relam, a plain of existance in which the spirits reside. This was the only way we could meet for our duel

Duel? What Duel? I don't understand, how is this possible? Is this a nightmare?
I WANNA GO HOME!





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I play Ocubeam
and attach Black
Pendant.
Attack!

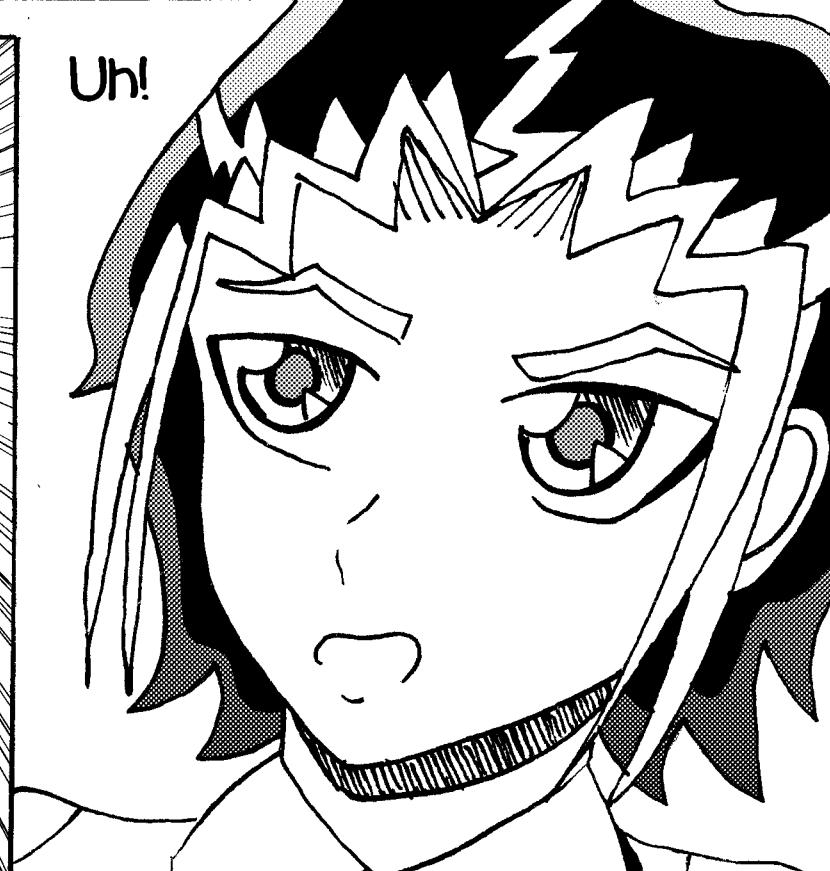
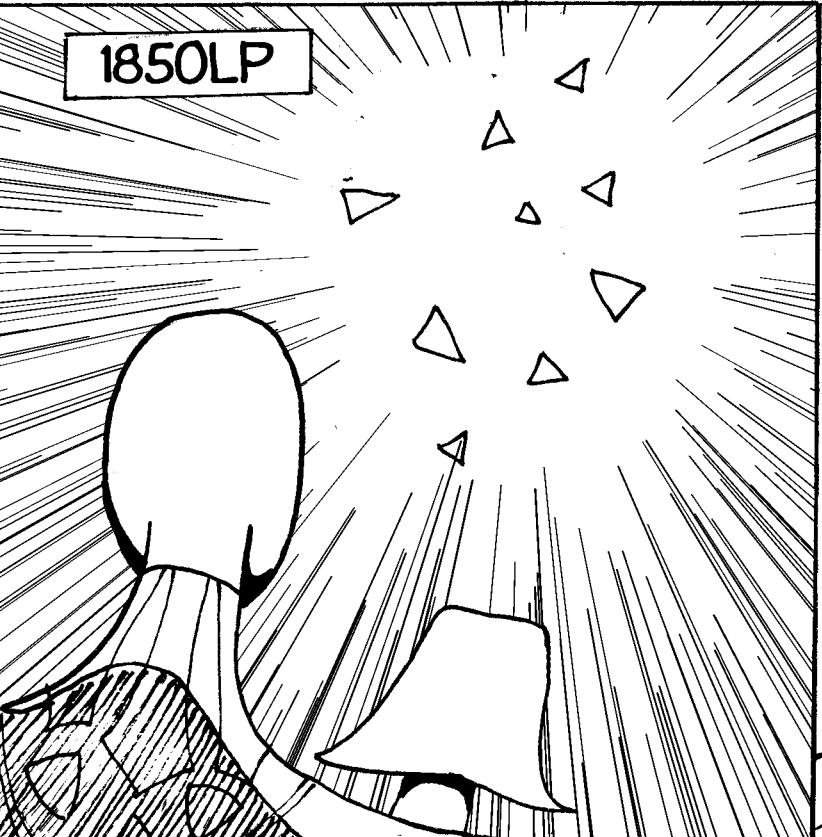
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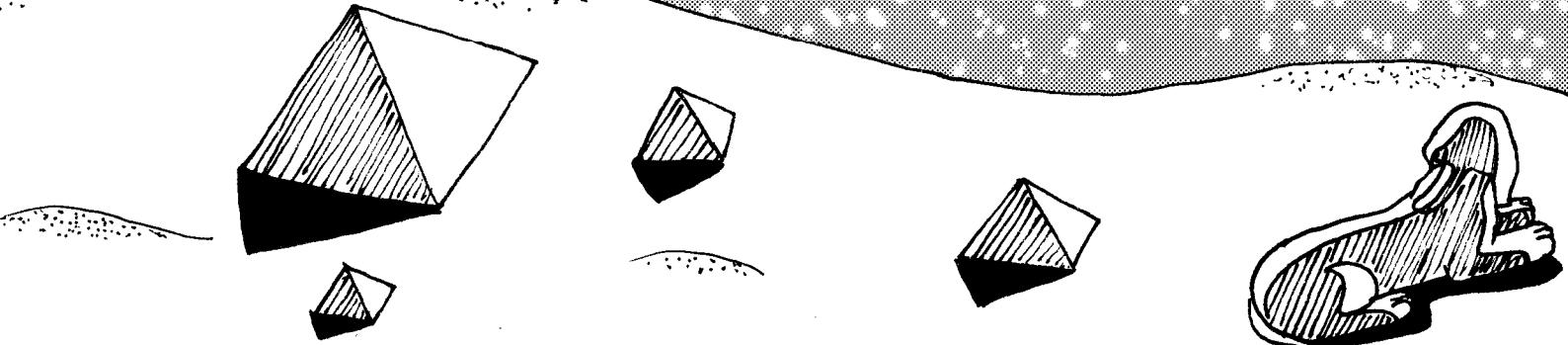
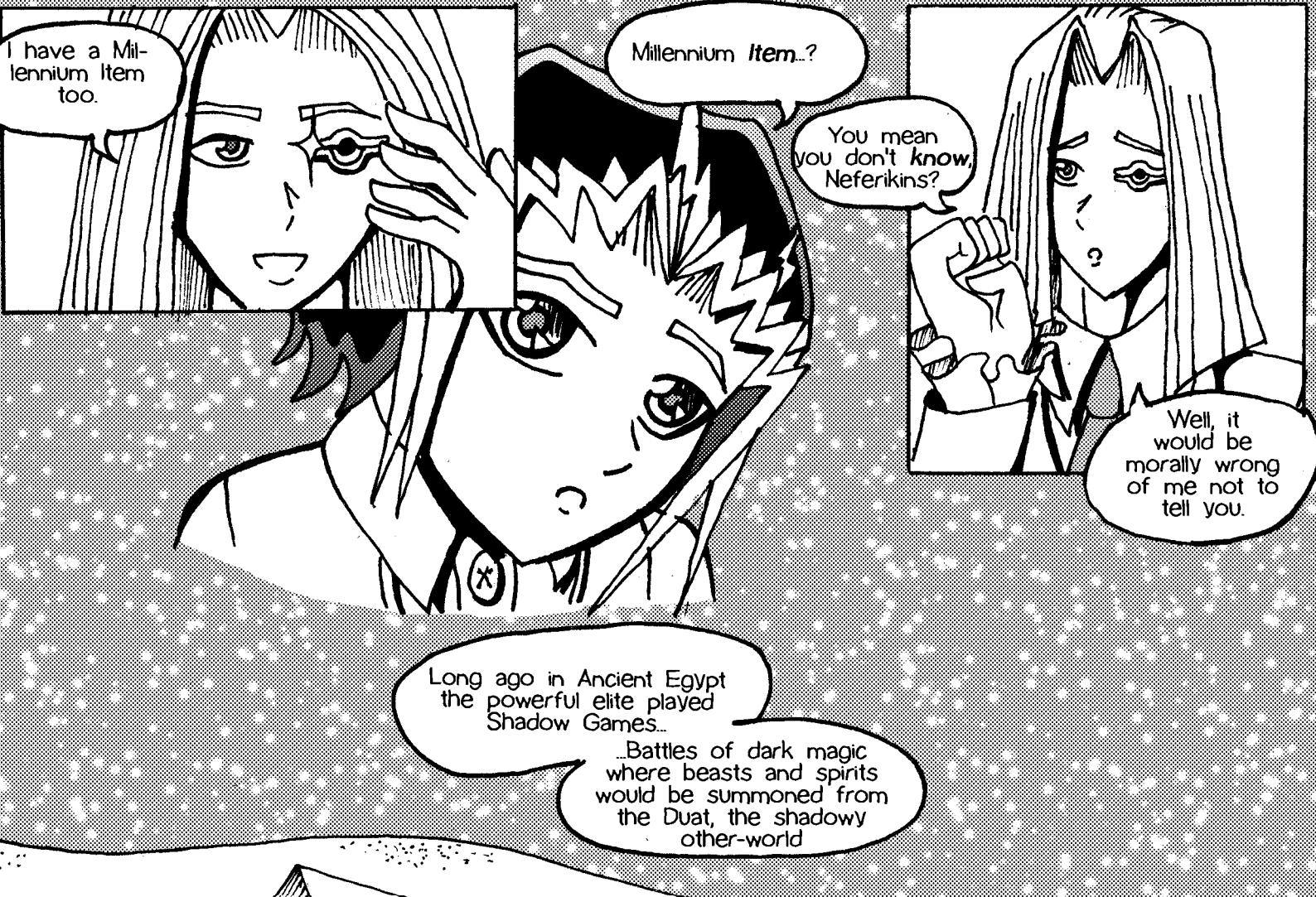
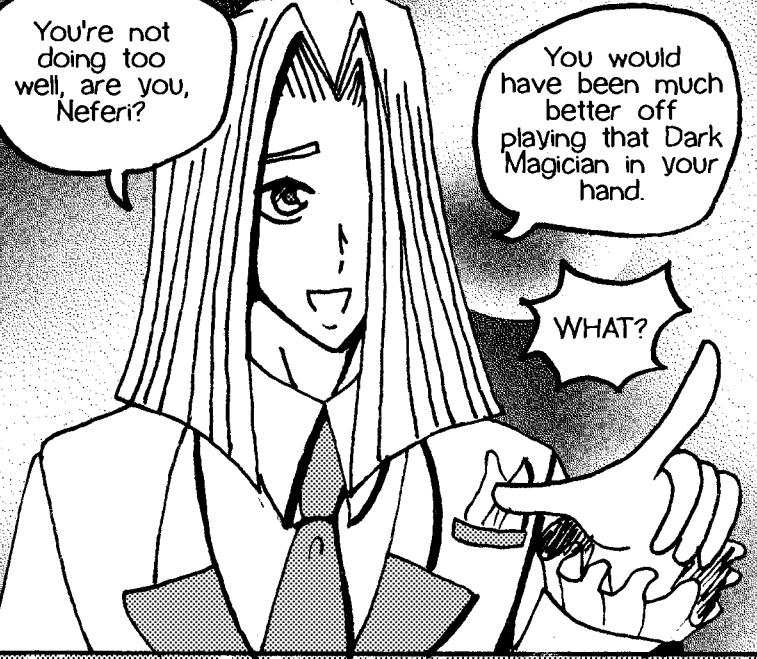
Fairy's
Hand
Mirror!



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Uh!





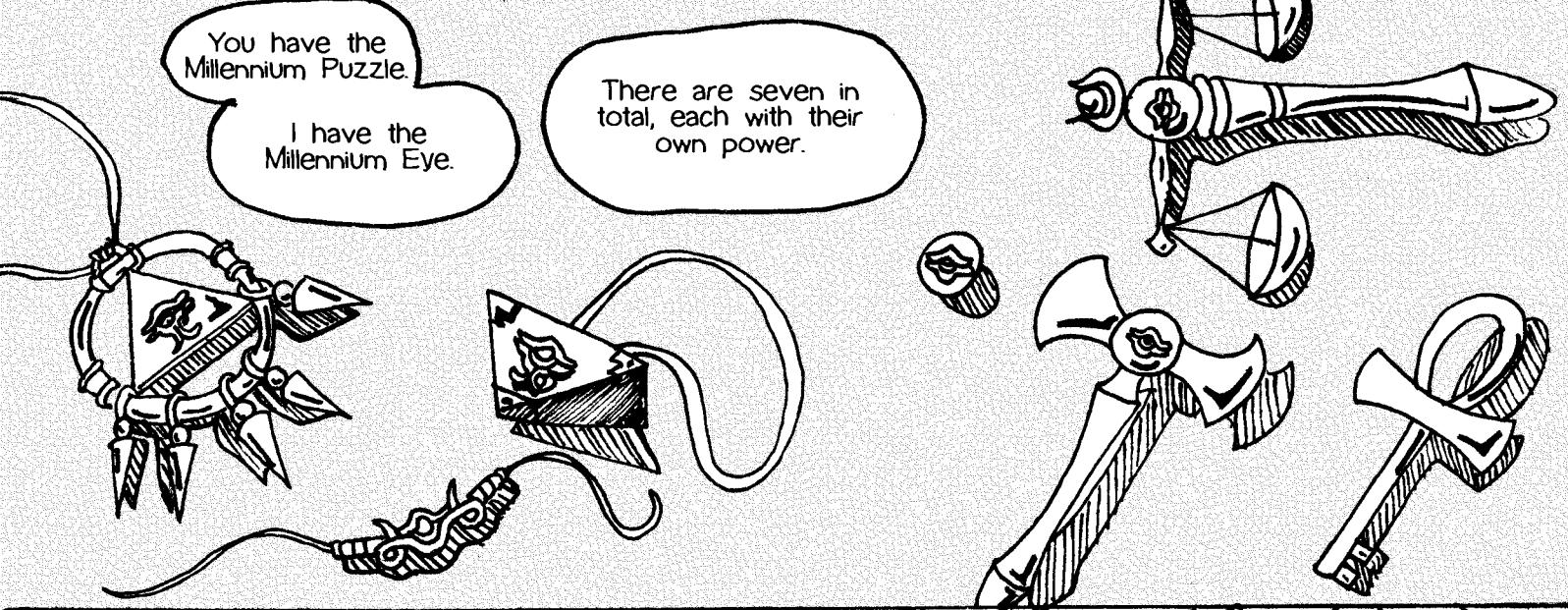
To gain control over these games and protect the kingdom, a Pharaoh commissioned the creation of several mystical objects: The Millennium Items



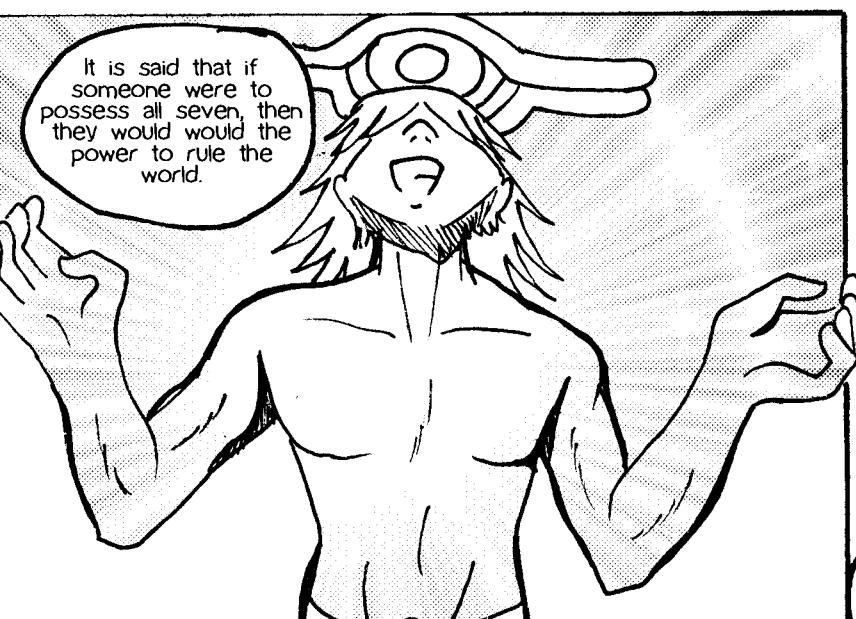
You have the Millennium Puzzle.

I have the Millennium Eye.

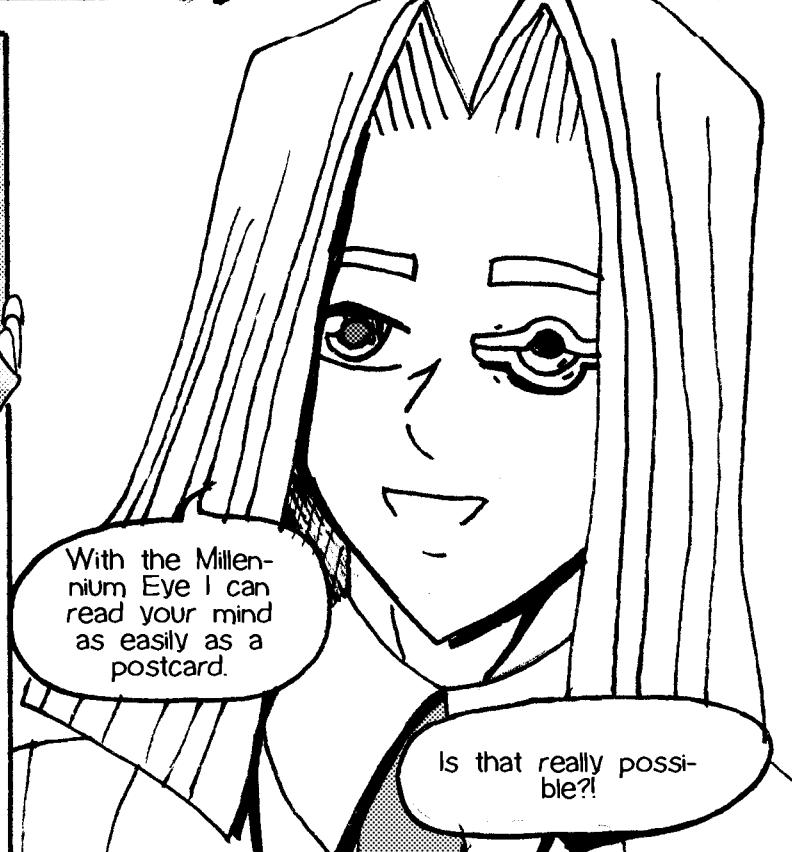
There are seven in total, each with their own power.



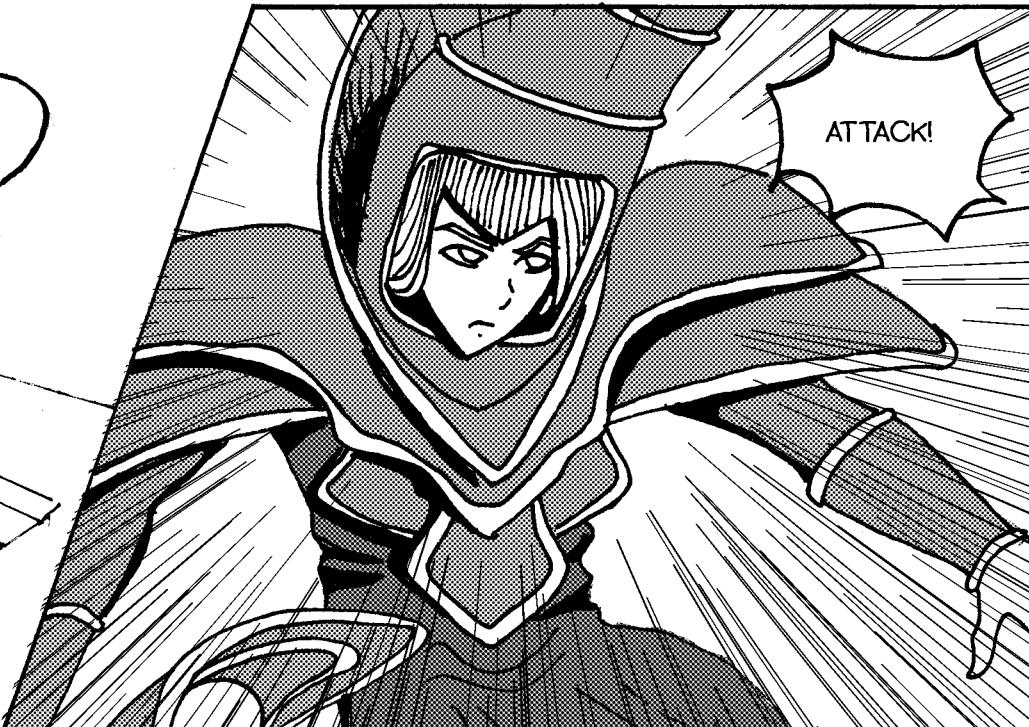
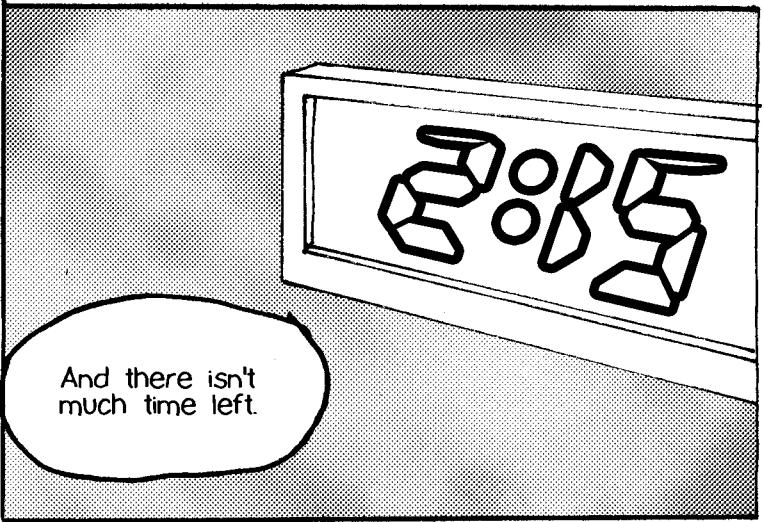
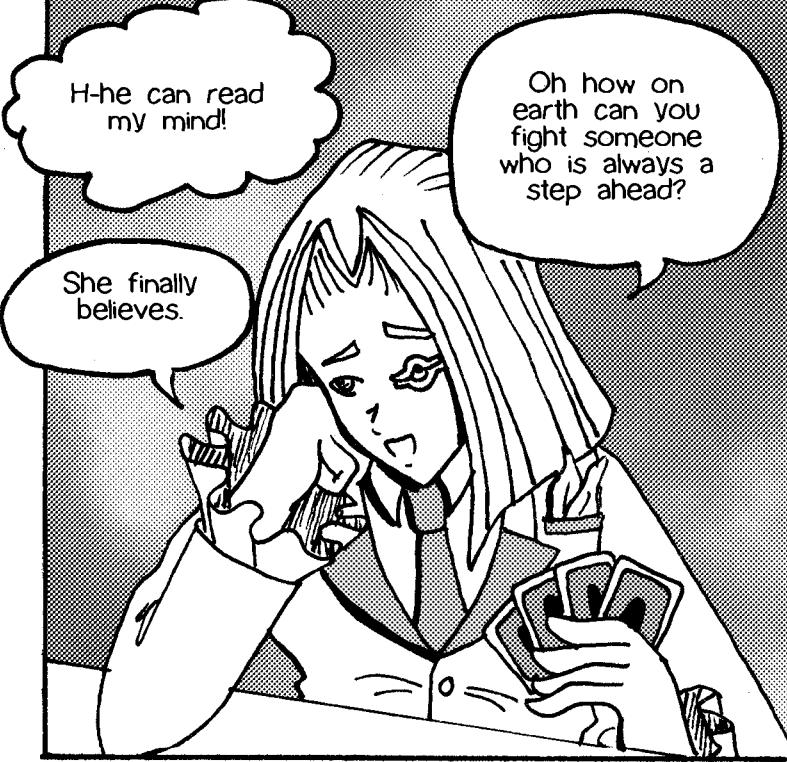
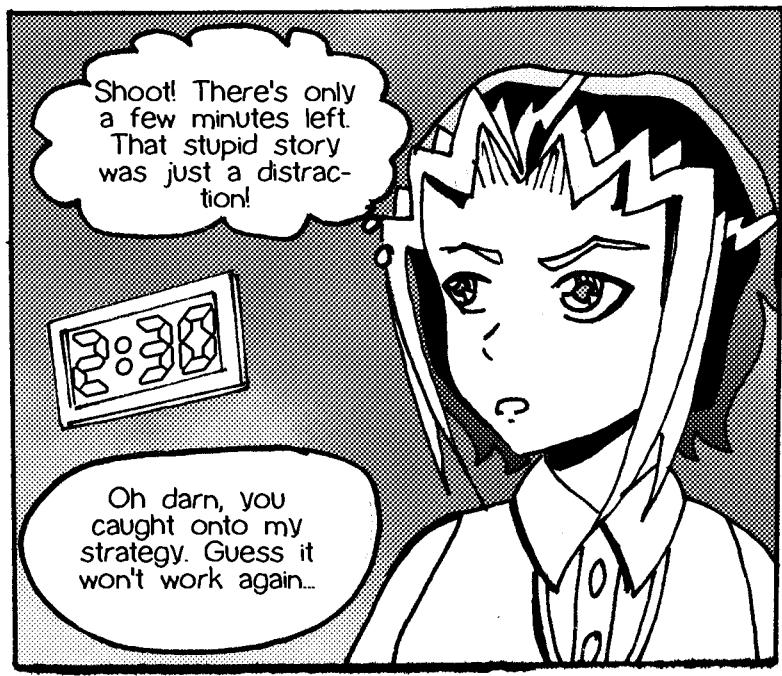
It is said that if someone were to possess all seven, then they would have the power to rule the world.

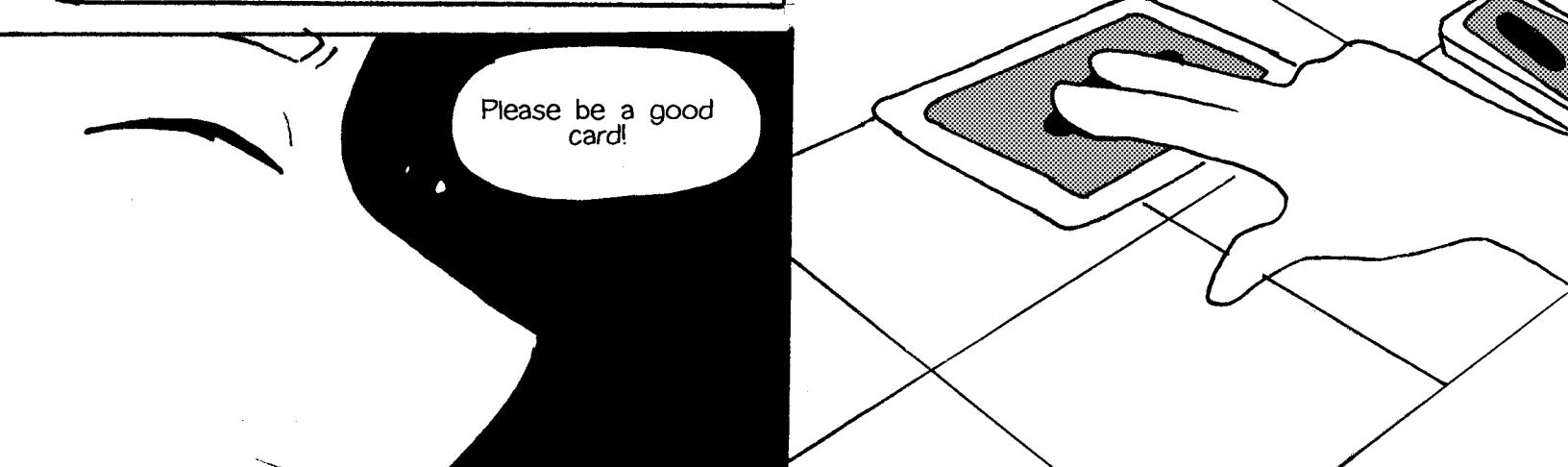
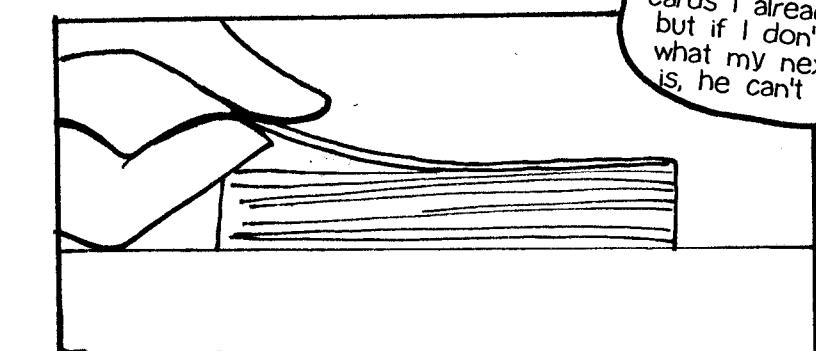
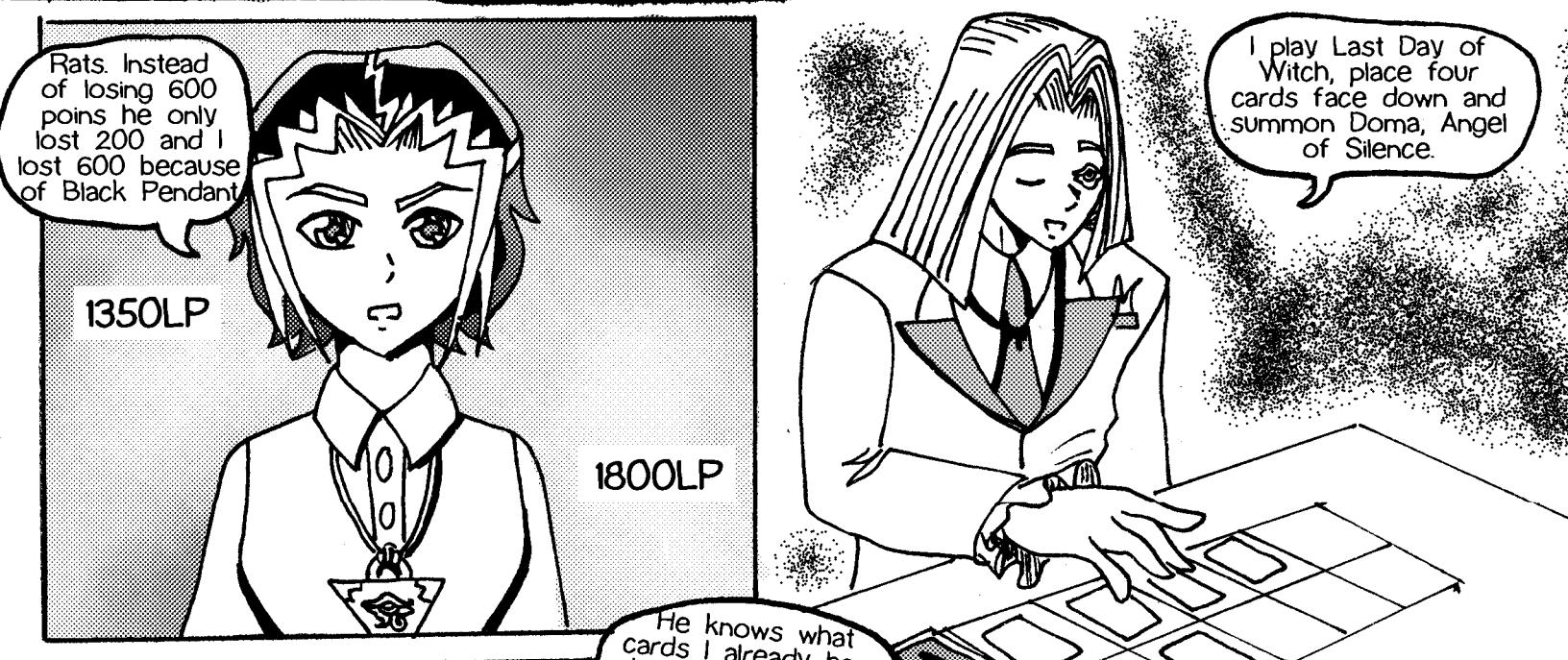


With the Millennium Eye I can read your mind as easily as a postcard.

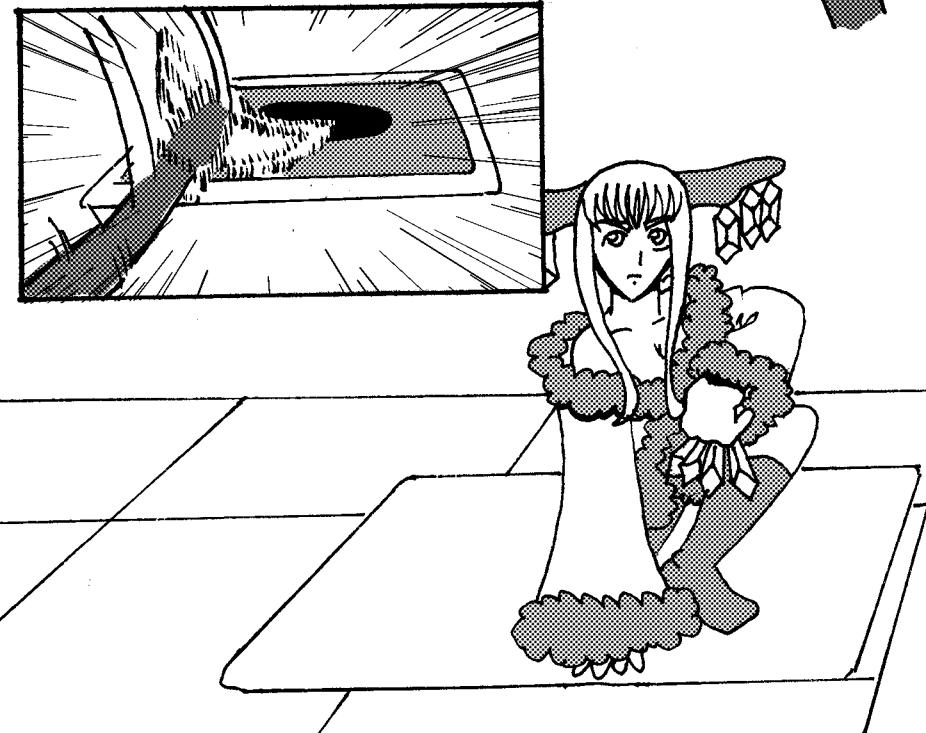
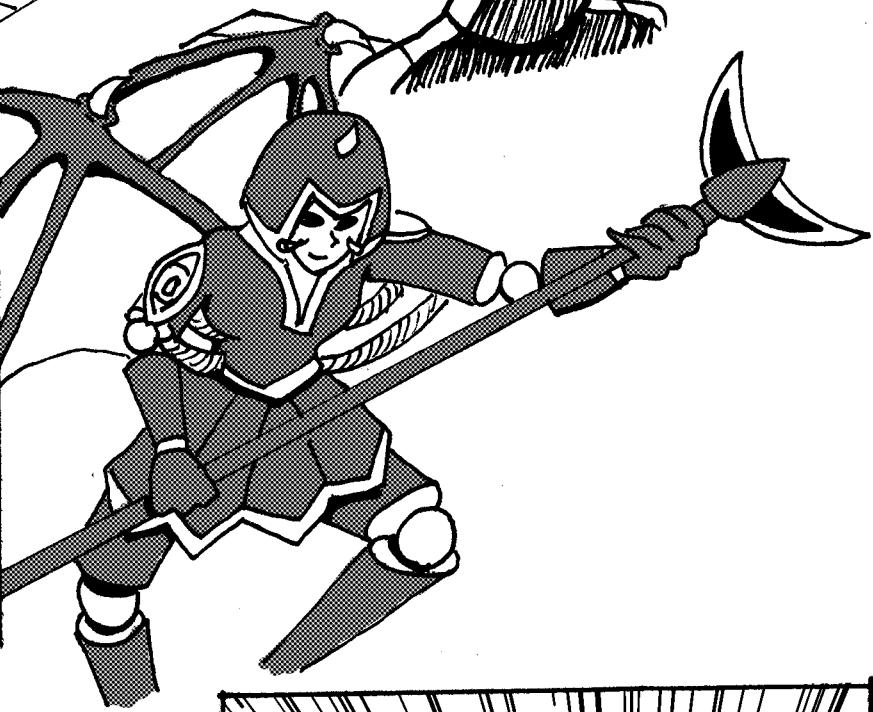
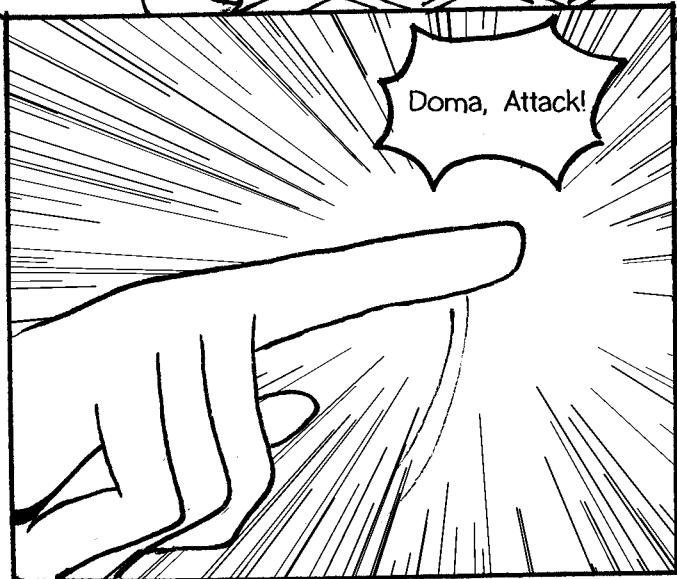
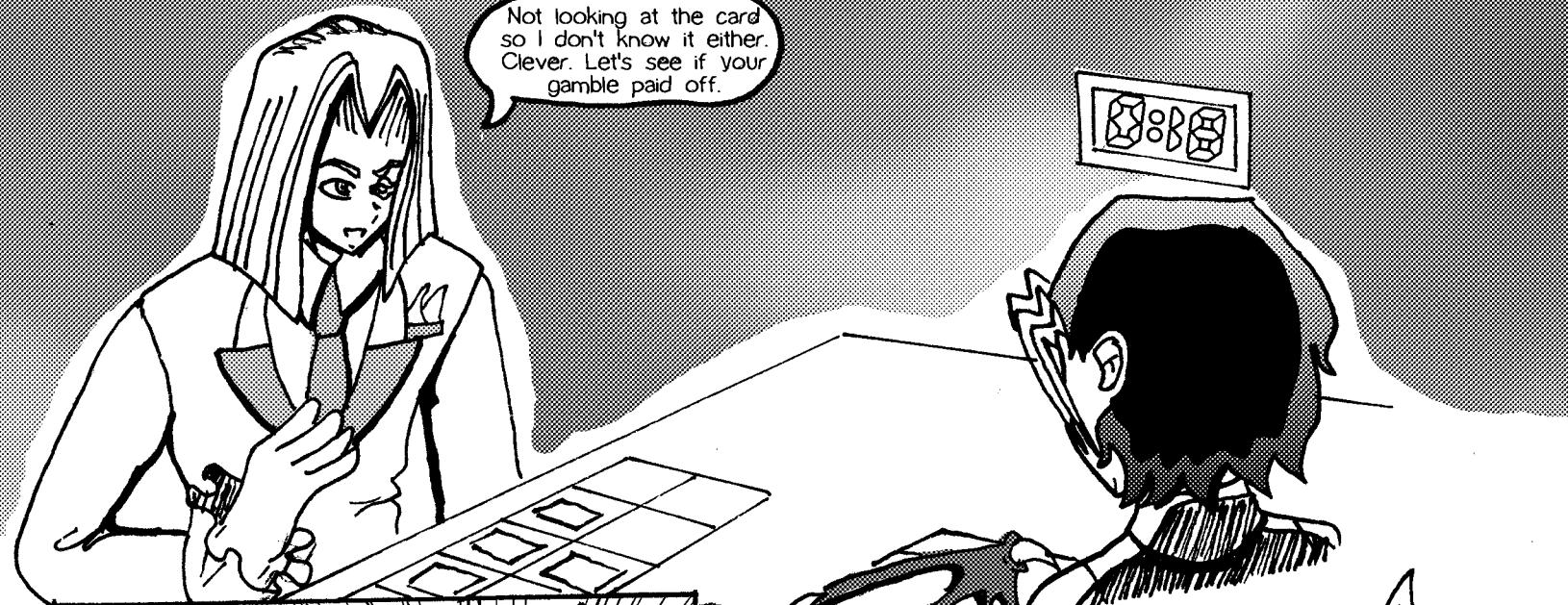


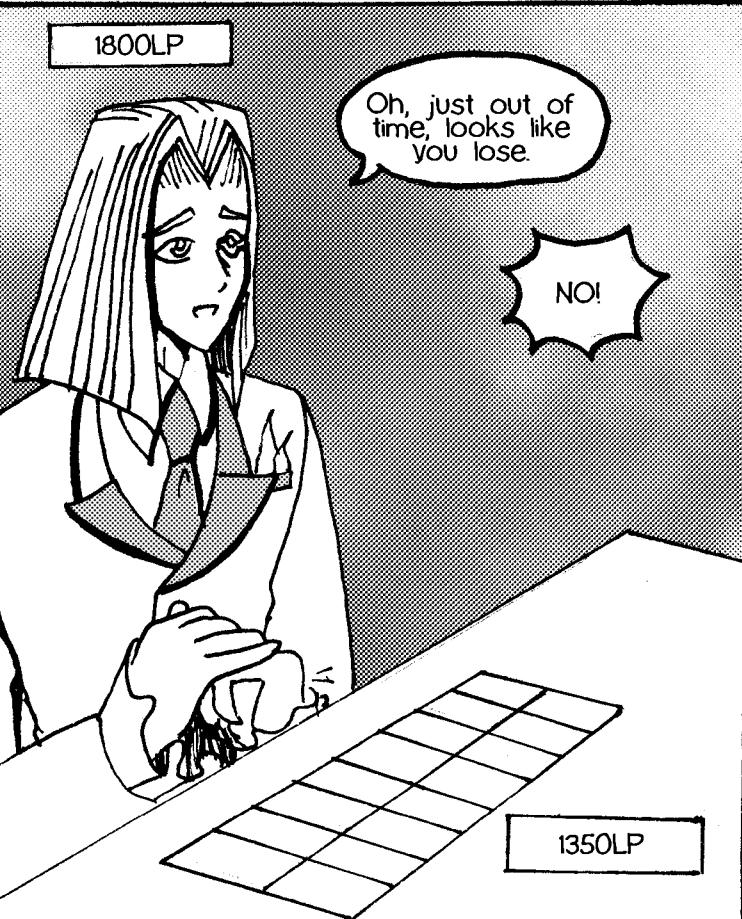
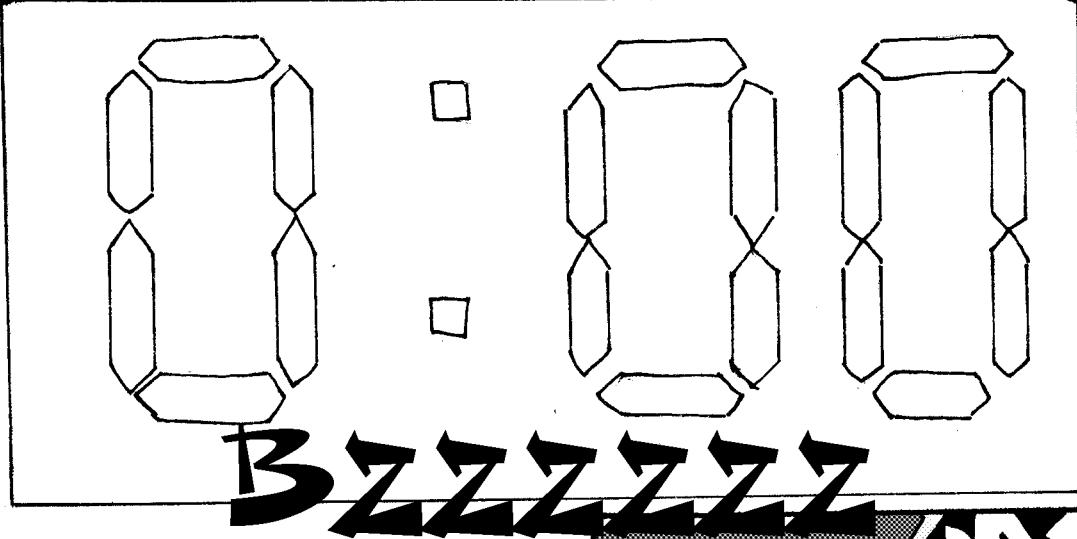
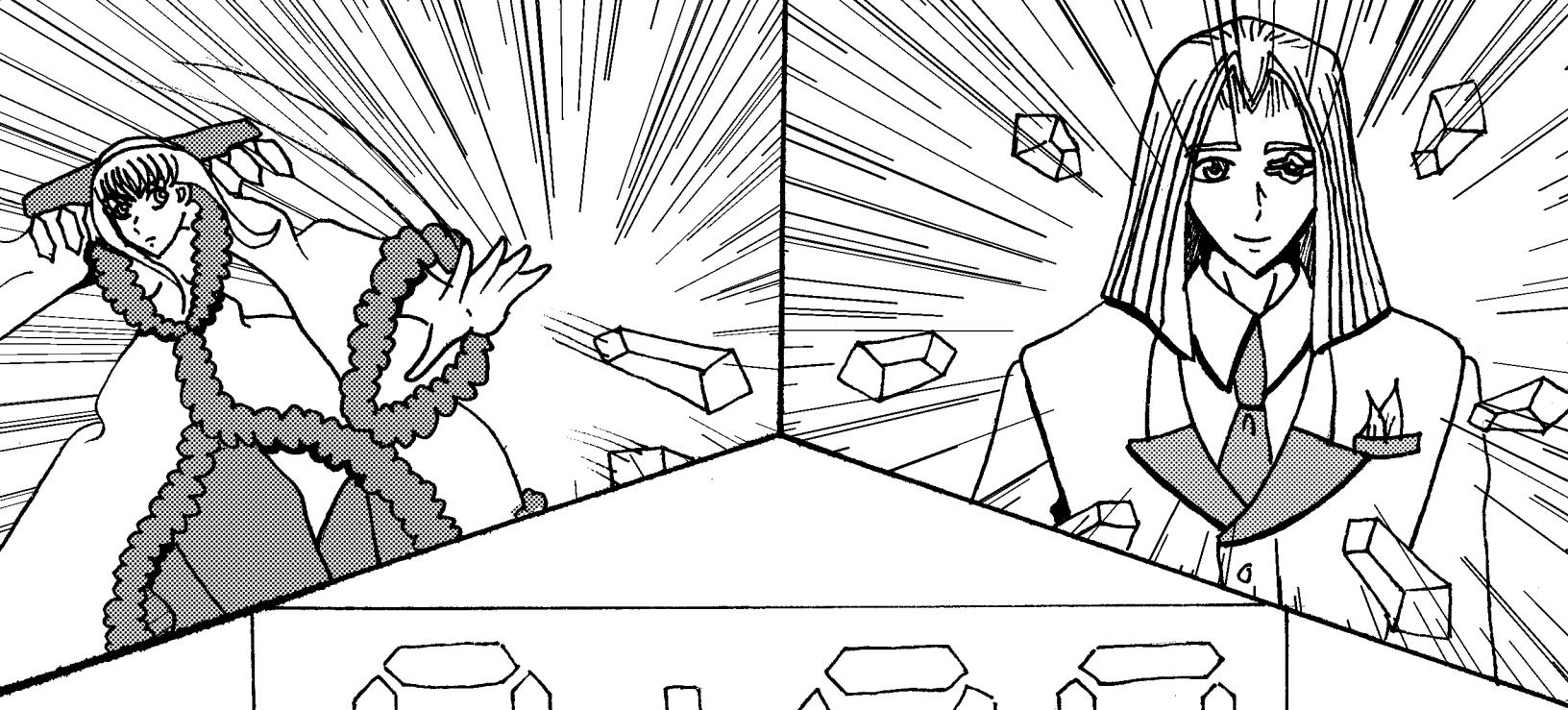
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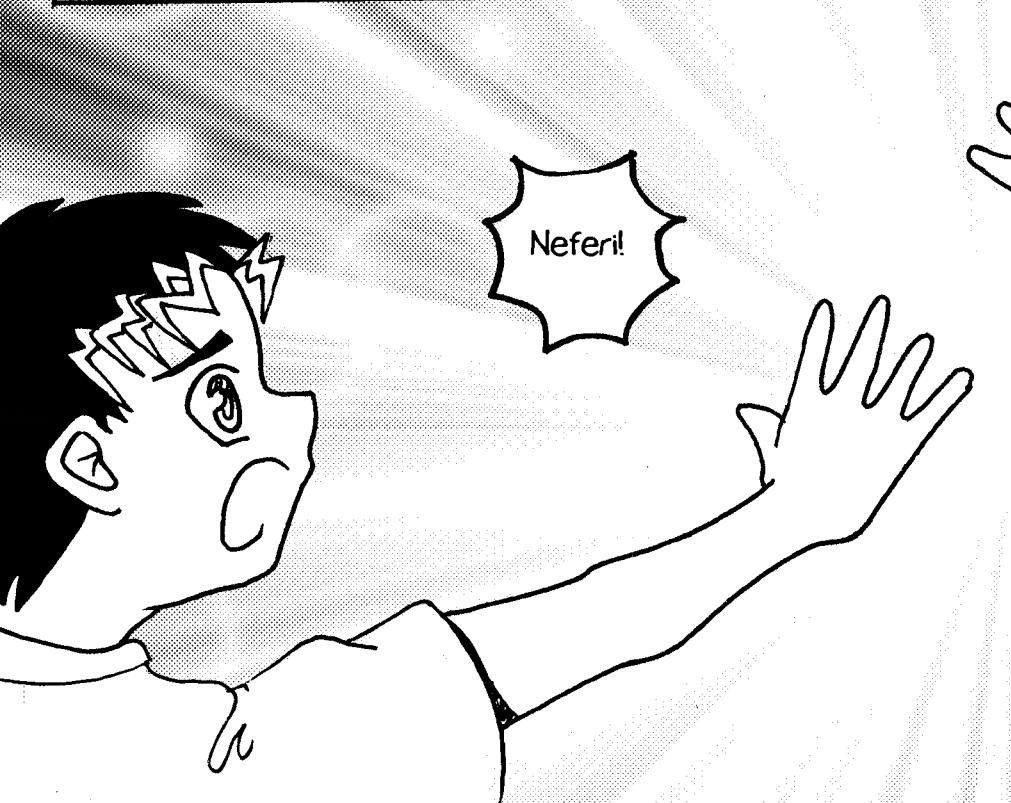
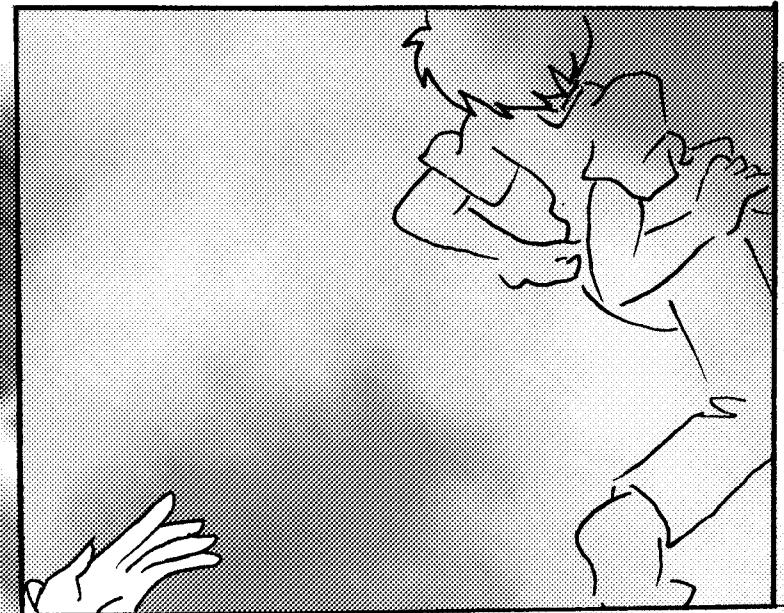


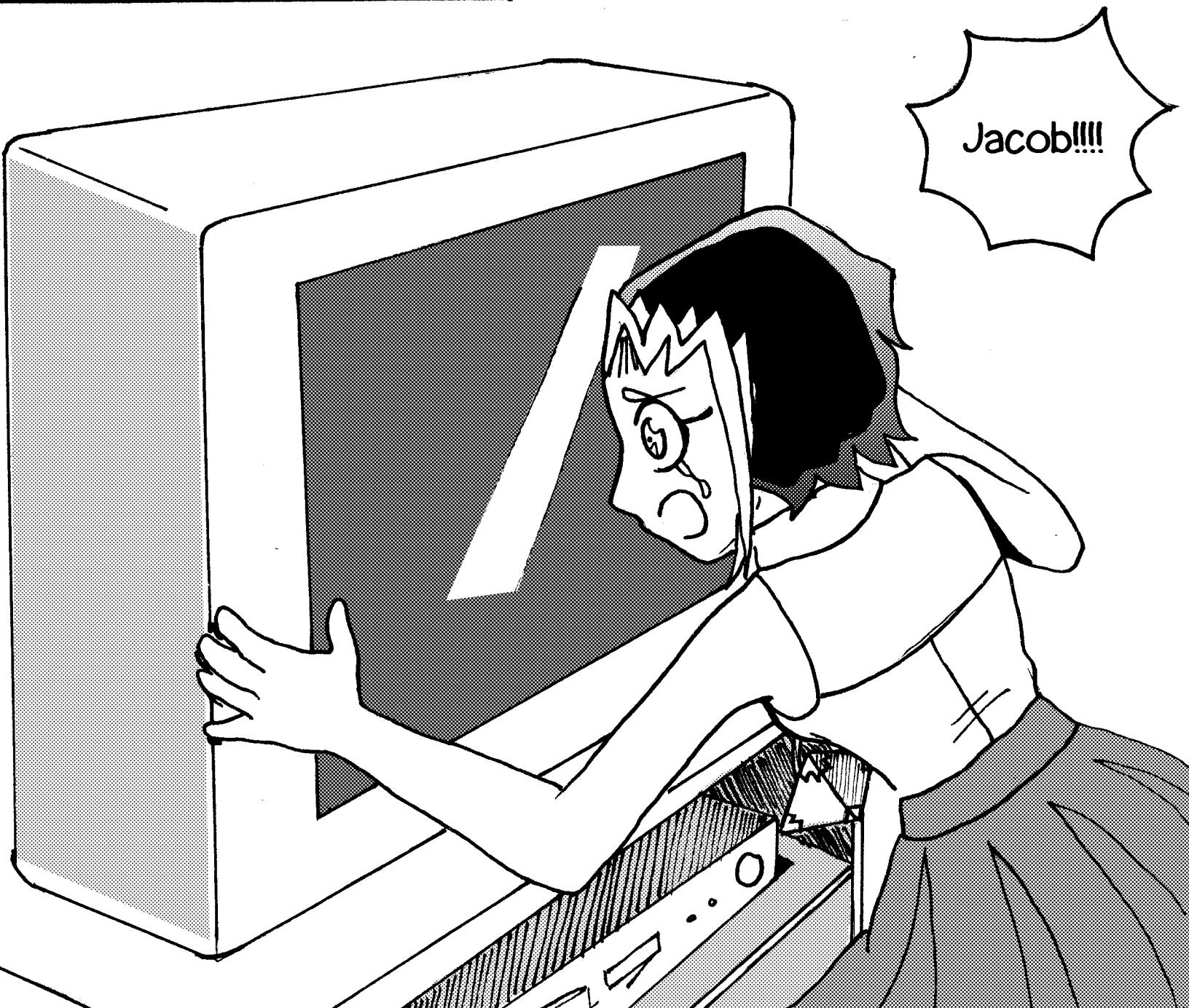
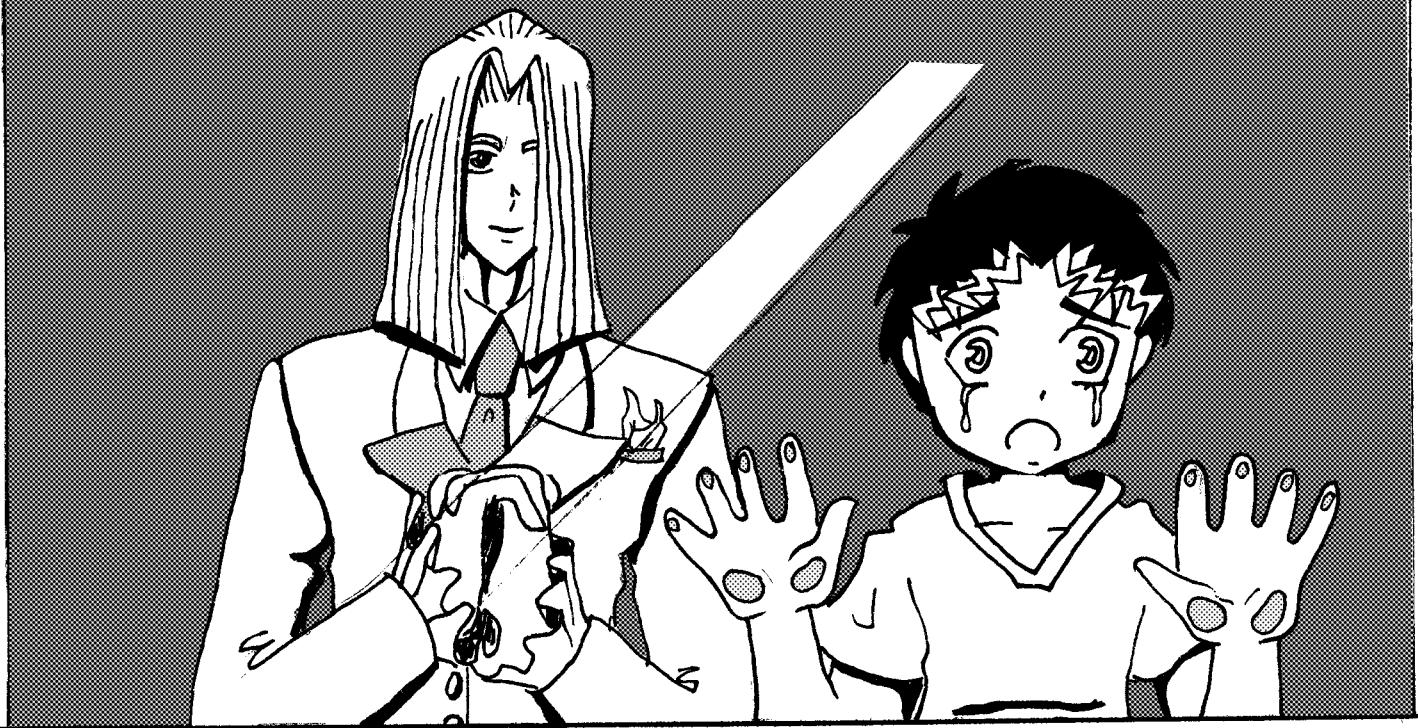


Not looking at the card so I don't know it either. Clever. Let's see if your gamble paid off.

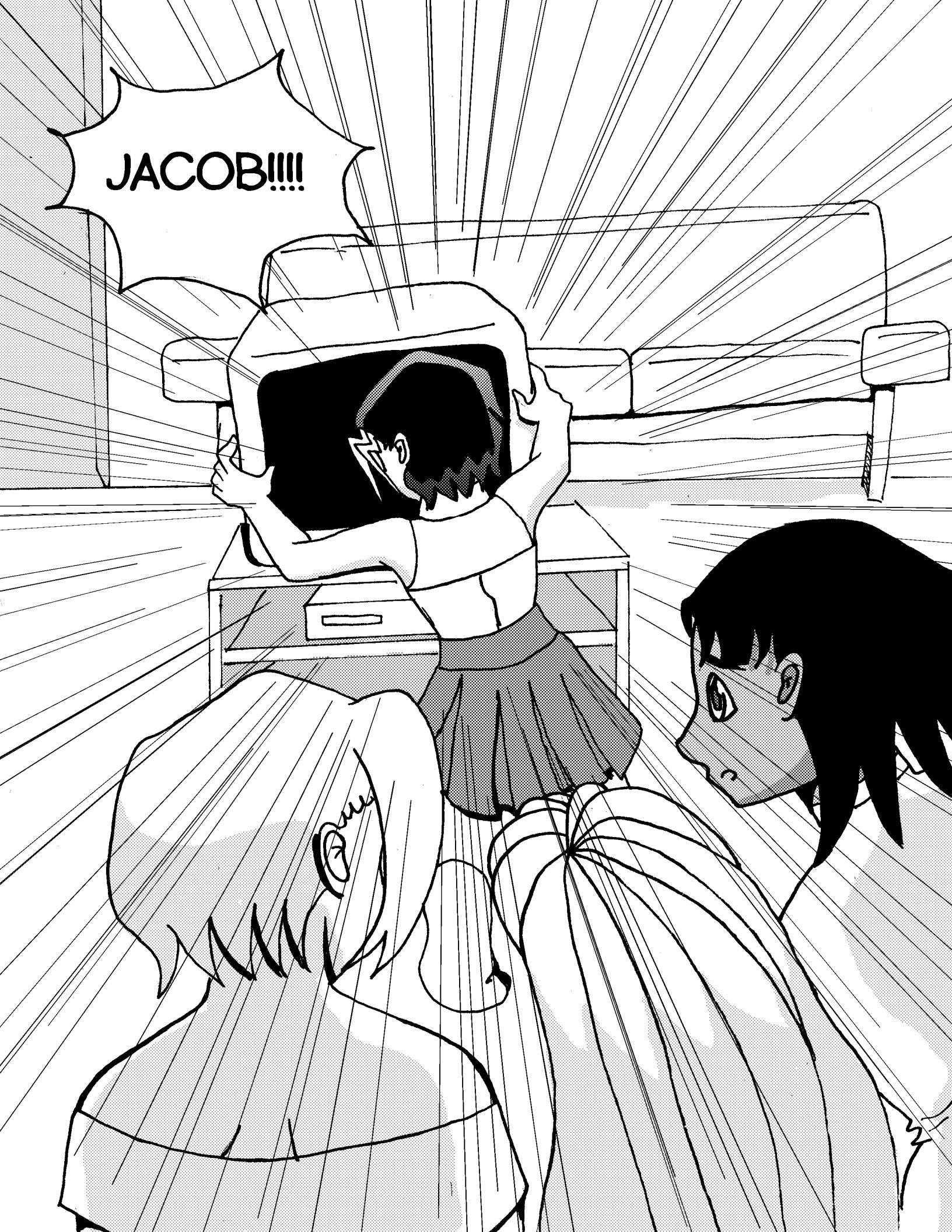








JACOB!!!!





SECRET SCROLLS



Hey everyone! With this chapter I'm continuing the stories behind how I created the main characters. For this issue I'll cover both Sophie and Miranda.

Name: Sophie Laurence

Name Origin: Sophie's name is a play on Sophia Lauren, the famous and very awesome Italian Actress. There is an inside joke in my family regarding her.

Name: Miranda Hassan

Name Origin: Miranda was always a name I've liked and Hassan is a fairly typical Arabic name.

Ah Miranda and Sophie, Neferi's very best friends and constant supporters. They may not know or care about Dueling, but if it means that Neferi and Bakura will finally get together they're all for it. Their creation came about specifically after the Duke Devlon arc, which will become clear later in the series. They are actual cheerleaders, so it would make sense that they would use their skills for cheering on Neferi--since that basically is all that Anzu and Honda did in the original anyway. They aren't very smart, but they are extremely loyal, and their dimness (especially Sophie's comments) allow for a lot of humor. I always tend to stick Miranda and Sophie together because they have been friends with each other before meeting Neferi, so they are a lot like sisters. Both are foreigners--Sophie is American and Miranda is Lebanese.

