I JUST CAN'T STAND IT!
SHK.

WHAT NOW, HANA?
EVERYTHING.
SHK
SHK

EVERYTHING IS SOOO BORING.
I SPEND MY DAYS STUDYING BORING THINGS TO PREPARE FOR A BORING LIFE.
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK

SO YOU CAN GO TO A GOOD COLLEGE.
SO YOU CAN LAND A GOOD JOB!

HAHAHA...

I JUST . . .
YOU SOUND LIKE MY MOM!
YOU SOUND LIKE MINE!
I JUST FEEL LIKE . . .
SIGH.
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK
SHK.

I'VE SPENT ALL 15 YEARS OF MY LIFE BEING PERFECT, OBEDIENT, DOING EVERYTHING THAT ADULTS HAVE TOLD ME TO DO.
AND FOR WHAT? TO LIVE A BORING LIFE?

WHAT CAN BE DONE?
WELCOME TO REALITY!

KRAK.

POFF
HUFF
I NEED MORE
WELCOME TO REAL LIFE . . .
UGH

DING DONG
HANA-CHAN, THERE'S SOMEONE HERE FOR YOU!
高皇
NICE TO MEET YOU.
MY NAME IS TAKAMI.
I'M WITH THE BENTEN SCHOOL OF ESOTERICS.
THE BENTEN SCHOOL . . . OF ESOTERICS?
PLEASE DO COME IN FOR SOME TEA!

MM M...
MY FAMILY SERVES THE KAMATA INARI SHRINE–
WE JUS' HAD OUR SPRING FESTIVAL SO I HAD TA GO HOME TA HELP.
ANYWAY, OUR PARISHIONERS GIFT US ALL SORTS OF INARI SUSHI. BUT THIS IS FROM MAMEDA'S, IT'S THA BEST!
INARI IS THE GOD OF RICE HARVESTS AND PROSPERITY. INARI SUSHI IS NAMED AFTER THE GOD.
SO, WHAT DOES YOUR FAMILY DO?
I, UH . . . MY DAD'S A GOVERNMENT WORKER.
MY MOM STAYS AT HOME . . .
OH WOW!!!
SO HOW'D YOU GET IN TA BENTEN?!
IT'S, UH, A LONG STORY . . .
I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'LL BELIEVE ME.

MEANWHILE
GOAL
INASA BEACH
稲佐浜
SHIMANE
島根
TOKYO
東京
BULLET TRAIN
OSAKA
大阪
OH, THIS IS SO EXCITIN'!!!
A PANPI, THROWN AN EN BY A CROW!!
PANPI?
OH, A PERSON WHO AIN'T FROM A MAGICK-WIELDIN' FAMILY.
MAGICK!?
OH DEAR. YOU DIDN'T KNOW?
BENTEN'S A SCHOOL OF MAGICK. IT'S WHERE SHRINE SERVANTS AND EXORCISTS GO TO LEARN THA CRAFT, YA KNOW.
HENCE, THA ESOTERIC PART.
I CAN'T DO MAGICK!
WELL, YES, THAT'S WHY WE'RE GOING TA SCHOOL, YEAH?
I'M NOT AN EXORCIST! I DON'T HAVE POWERS!
YEAH, BUT A CROW THREW YOU AN EN. THAT ALONE MEANS SOMETHIN'!