

Forever Summer

Chapter 23

By Moonlly



ON THE WAY BACK...

HMM~

DON'T WORRY ABOUT
THAT OFFER TOO
MUCH RIKA-CHAN.

JUST TAKE YOUR TIME
AND THINK ABOUT IT
CAREFULLY, OKAY?



I ALREADY TOLD YOU,
AUNTY... I DON'T THINK
IT'S WORTH IT FOR ME
TO DO MODELING.

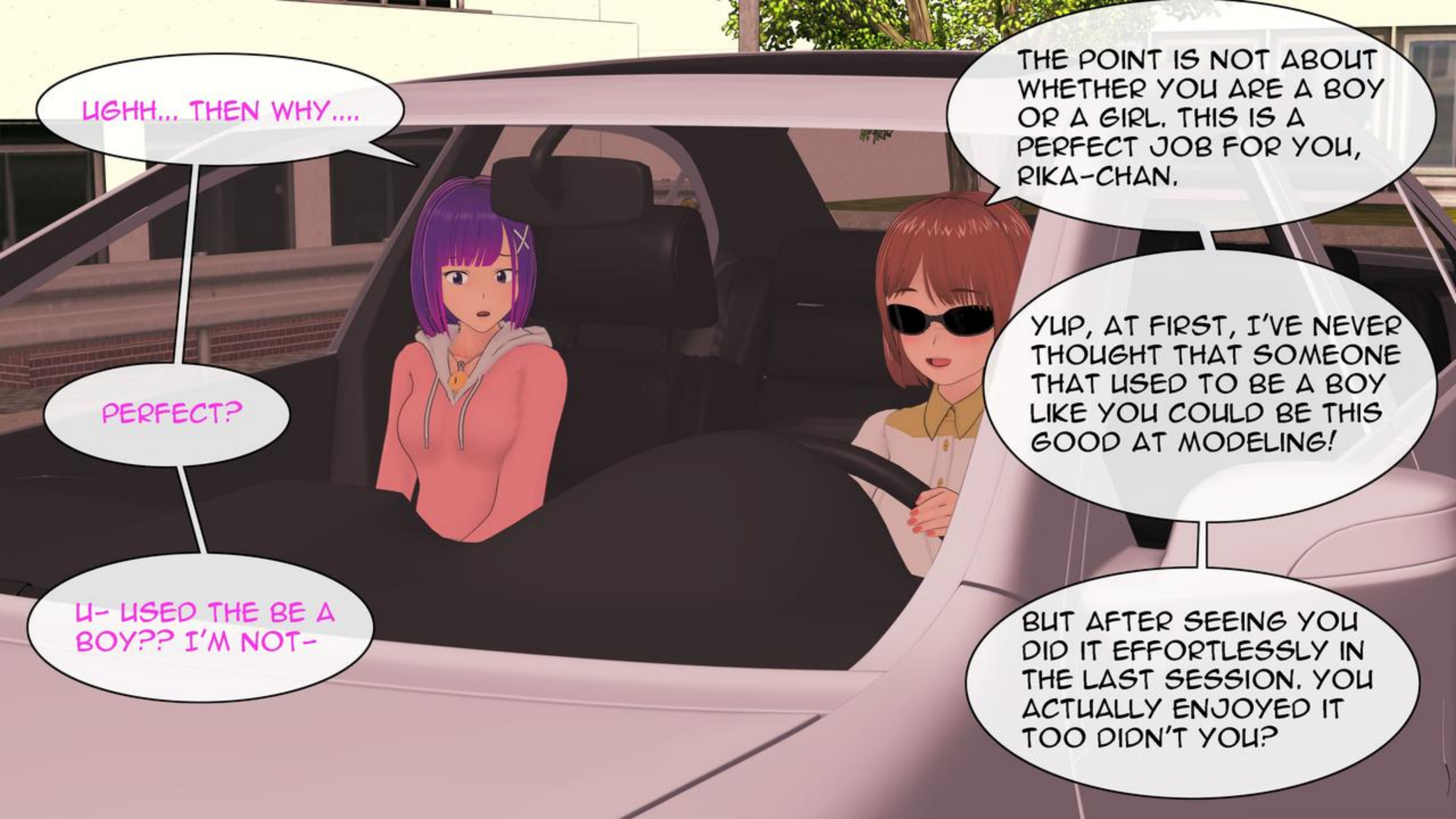
HMM? WHAT DO
YOU MEAN?

W- WELL....

I KNOW, YOU PROBABLY
THINK THAT YOU'RE A
GUY, AND IT'S A JOB
FOR A GIRL, RIGHT?

W- WHAT? H- HOW
DID YOU KNOW??

WELL, YOU LIVED WITH
ME FOR THE ENTIRE
SUMMER, HOW COULD
I NOT KNOW?



LIGHH... THEN WHY....

THE POINT IS NOT ABOUT WHETHER YOU ARE A BOY OR A GIRL. THIS IS A PERFECT JOB FOR YOU, RIKA-CHAN.

PERFECT?

YUP, AT FIRST, I'VE NEVER THOUGHT THAT SOMEONE THAT USED TO BE A BOY LIKE YOU COULD BE THIS GOOD AT MODELING!

U- USED THE BE A BOY?? I'M NOT-

BUT AFTER SEEING YOU DID IT EFFORTLESSLY IN THE LAST SESSION. YOU ACTUALLY ENJOYED IT TOO DIDN'T YOU?



W- WHAT?! OF COURSE
NOT! I- I DID IT BECAUSE
YOU ASKED ME TO!

N- NO....

I- I- I....

BLUSHING

REALLY NOW? DO YOU
THINK ANY GUY WOULD
ENJOY POSING IN A
CUTE DRESS IN FRONT
OF A CAMERA?

BUT YOU SEEMED TO
ENJOY IT VERY MUCH.
DOESN'T THAT MEAN...

WELL WELL, DON'T GET
ALL WORKED UP NOW.
JUST SLEEP ON IT FOR A
COUPLE OF DAYS, OKAY?



LGH...

I'LL ASK YOU AGAIN
LATER, OKAY?

....

OKAY....

NOW, I HAVE MORE
IMPORTANT NEWS TO
TELL YOU.

LGH, W- WHAT
IS IT?

TOMORROW, WE'RE
GONNA GO TO YOUR
NEW SCHOOL FOR
REGISTRATION!

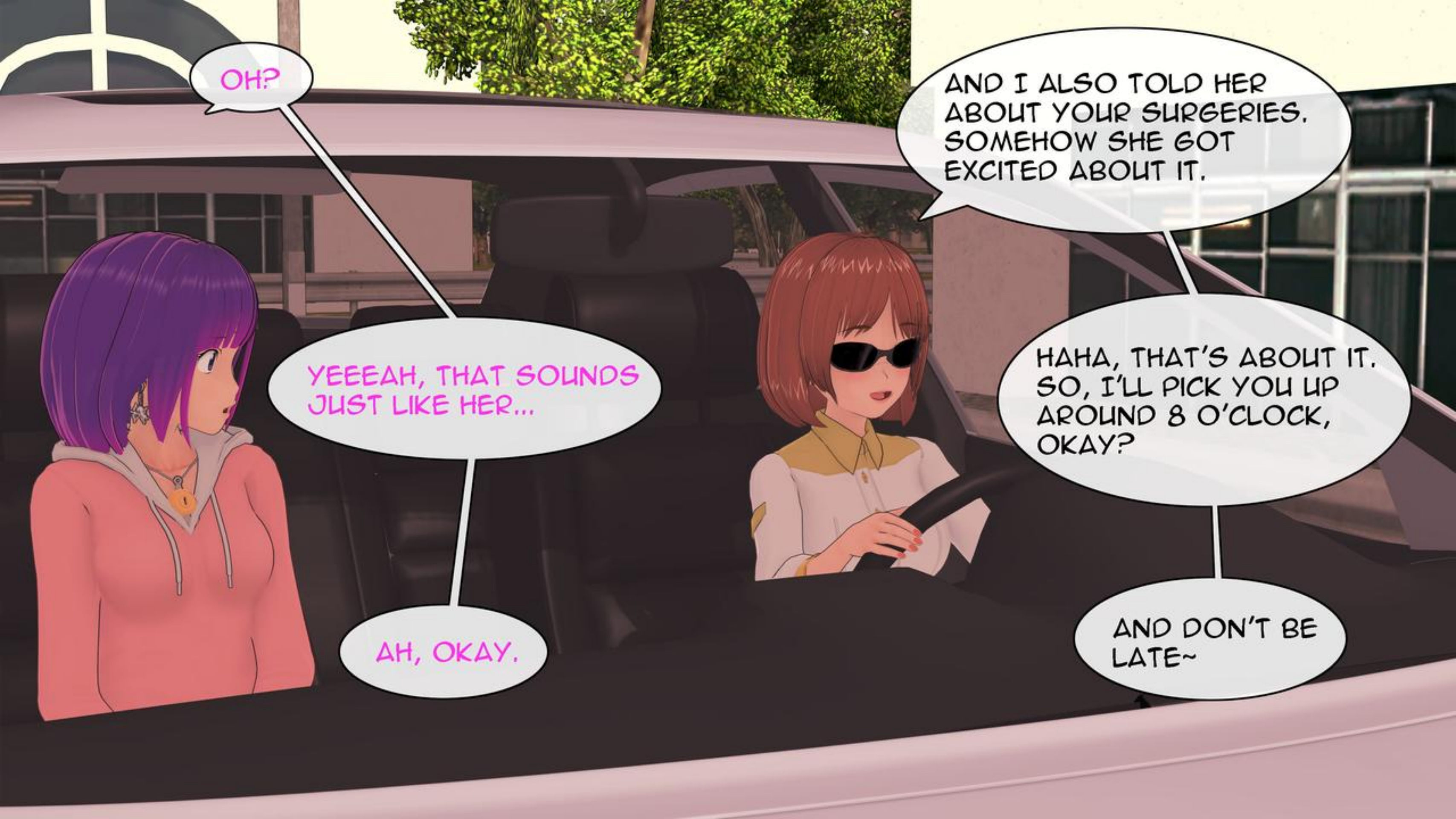
A comic panel showing two girls sitting in the front seats of a car. The girl on the left has short purple hair and is wearing a pink hoodie. The girl on the right has short reddish-brown hair, wears sunglasses, and a yellow collared shirt. They are both looking towards the left. The background shows a building and trees.

HMM....? IT'S TOMORROW ALREADY?

I- I SEE... THANK YOU AUNTY...

YES! I ALREADY PREPARED ALL THE PAPERWORKS FOR YOU. IT'S REALLY TIRING, SO BE THANKFUL FOR THAT.

AND OH, IT'S GONNA BE ONLY YOU AND ME. CHITOGÉ-CHAN ALREADY WENT TO THE SCHOOL WITH ME LAST WEEK.



OH?

YEEEEAH, THAT SOUNDS
JUST LIKE HER...

AH, OKAY.

AND I ALSO TOLD HER
ABOUT YOUR SURGERIES.
SOMEHOW SHE GOT
EXCITED ABOUT IT.

HAHA, THAT'S ABOUT IT.
SO, I'LL PICK YOU UP
AROUND 8 O'CLOCK,
OKAY?

AND DON'T BE
LATE~

THAT NIGHT...

SO THERE'S NO TURNING
BACK NOW, HUH...

TOMORROW, I WILL BE
REGISTERED AS A NEW
STUDENT AT THAT
SCHOOL...





I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW
THESE CRAZY THINGS
KEEP HAPPENING
AROUND ME...

NEW SCHOOL, MODELING,
AND SURGERIES....

GOSH, IT WAS ONLY 3
MONTHS, AND HERE I AM...

AT LEAST AUNT AIKO IS
STILL TRYING TO HELP
ME GET THROUGH...



SIGH ONLY 3
MORE MONTHS....

I CAN DO THIS.

ALRIGHT, LET'S SLEEP. I
FEEL LIKE TOMORROW IS
GONNA BE A BIG DAY.

IN THE NEXT MORNING...

AND HERE WE ARE.

WELCOME TO YOUR NEW
SCHOOL, RIKA-CHAN.





WOAH... THIS SCHOOL
IS PRETTY BIG...

UGH, I DON'T KNOW
ABOUT THAT... I MEAN
IT'LL BE TEMPORARY
ANYWAY, RIGHT?

YEAH... BUT, AIRI-CHAN
IS HERE AS WELL,
THAT'S GOOD I GUESS.

FROM TODAY, THIS IS
YOUR SCHOOL. ARE
YOU EXCITED? HEHE~

...

YEP, UNTIL YOUR
PROBLEMS ARE
SOLVED...



OH, I HOPE WE'LL BE
IN THE SAME CLASS~

YES, LET'S GET
GOING.

YES, I BELIEVE
SHE'S ALSO IN THE
SAME GRADE AS
YOU.

HAHA, OKAY.
ALRIGHT, TIME TO
GO. ARE YOU
READY?

A MOMENT LATER...

THERE'RE NOT MANY STUDENTS... THE NEW SEMESTER HASN'T STARTED YET, RIGHT?

OH, I SEE.

OKAY, I THINK IT'S THIS FLOOR.

NOT YET, IT WILL START THIS WEDNESDAY, SO TWO DAYS FROM TODAY.



An anime-style illustration of two women standing on a green staircase. The woman on the left has short purple hair, a black turtleneck, and a red skirt. The woman on the right has short brown hair, glasses, a blue jacket over a light blue shirt, and a red skirt. They are both looking at each other. The background is a green wall and a staircase.

SO, WHAT DO YOU THINK
OF THE SCHOOL?

I KNOW RIGHT? WAIT
UNTIL YOU SEE THEIR
UNIFORM, HEHE~

WELL, THIS SCHOOL
LOOKS REALLY NICE.

HMM?

UNIFORM....

OH MY GOSH, I TOTALLY
FORGOT ABOUT THAT!



THE UNIFORM! HOW AM
I GOING TO PASS AS A
BOY??

HUH? YOU WILL BE
ATTENDING THIS SCHOOL
AS A GIRL, RIKA-CHAN.

A- AS A GIRL?? ARE
YOU SERIOUS?

WELL, YOU CAN'T
ATTEND AS A BOY
WITH YOUR BREASTS
STOOD OUT LIKE THAT
ANYWAY, RIGHT?

T- THAT'S TRUE...
BUT STILL...

I ALREADY THINK ABOUT
THIS BEFOREHAND,
YOU'RE GOING TO BE
FINE.



M- MAYBE WE CAN GO
BACK HOME AND REALLY
THINK ABOUT THIS, AUNTY.

UGHH.....

B- BUT THIS IS
DIFFERENT! I- I
MEAN-

DON'T BE A DRAMA
QUEEN, RIKA-CHAN.
DIDN'T YOU SAY IT'S
ONLY TEMPORARY?

AND YOU CAN EASILY
PASS AS A GIRL, YOU
ALREADY FOOLED
AYANO, AND TATANO,
RIGHT?

I TOLD YOU I ALREADY
THINK ABOUT THIS.
DON'T YOU TRUST ME?

An anime-style illustration of two women standing in a hallway. The woman on the left has short purple hair and is wearing a black long-sleeved top and a red skirt. The woman on the right has short brown hair and glasses, wearing a blue jacket over a light blue top and a red skirt. They are holding hands. In the background, there is a staircase on the right and a green wall on the left.

UGHHH, I- I
TRUST YOU...
BUT...

AHHHH.....

SIGH THEN STOP
WHINING LIKE A
LITTLE GIRL, AND
COME WITH ME
RIKA-CHAN.

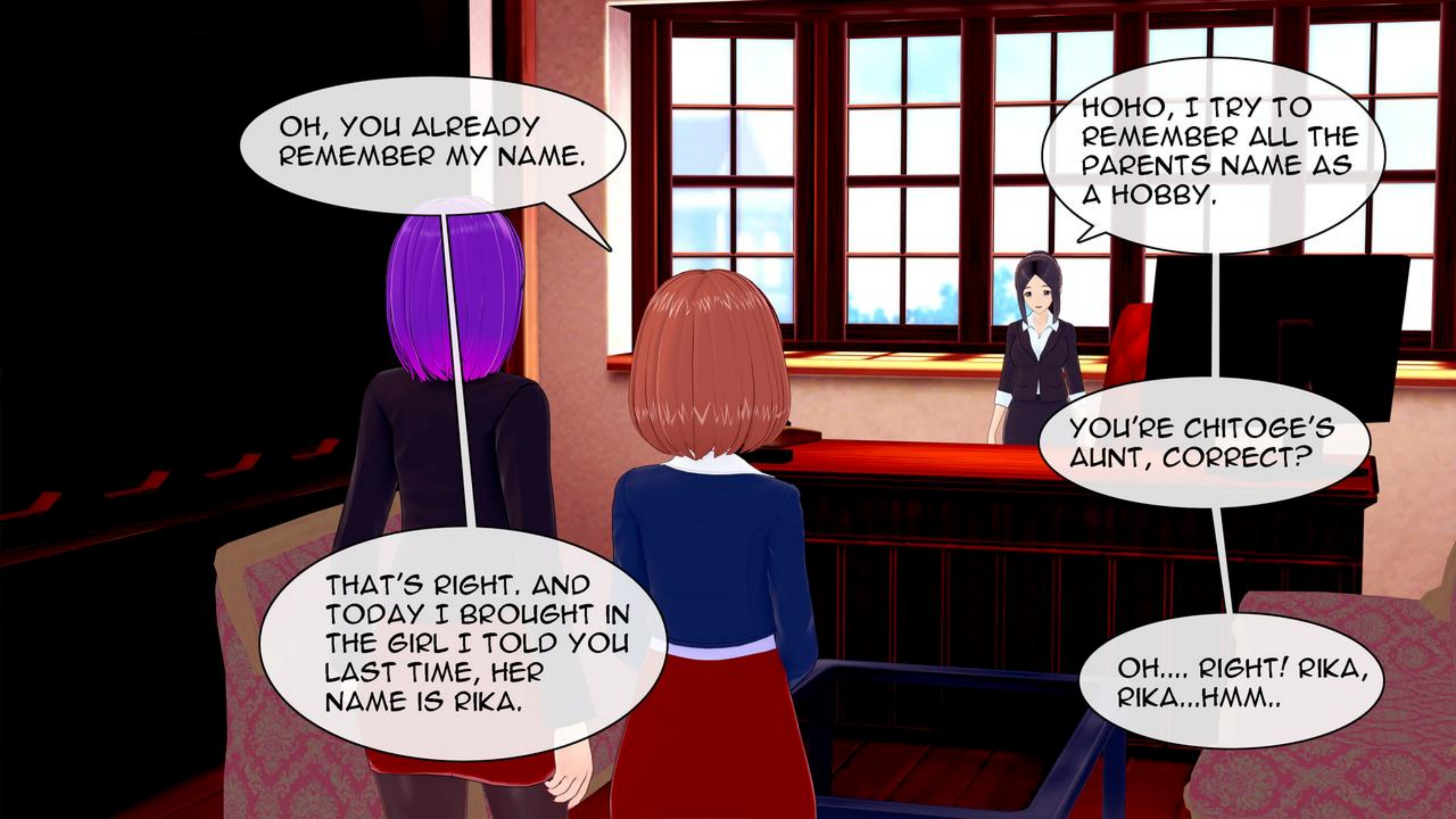
A MOMENT LATER...

GOOD MORNING,
AYUMI-SAN.

OH, ISN'T THAT...
AIKO-SAN?

W- WHERE
ARE WE??





OH, YOU ALREADY
REMEMBER MY NAME.

HOHO, I TRY TO
REMEMBER ALL THE
PARENTS NAME AS
A HOBBY.

THAT'S RIGHT. AND
TODAY I BROUGHT IN
THE GIRL I TOLD YOU
LAST TIME, HER
NAME IS RIKA.

YOU'RE CHITOGÉ'S
AUNT, CORRECT?

OH.... RIGHT! RIKA,
RIKA...HMM..



RIKA KIRISAKI.
RIKA-CHAN, PLEASE
SAY HELLO TO THE
DEAN OF THE SCHOOL,
AYUMI-SAN.

NICE TO MEET YOU
TOO, RIKA-CHAN.

OH, RIGHT. PLEASE
SIT DOWN.

UGHH... N- NICE TO MEET
YOU, AYUMI-SAN. M- MY
NAME IS RIKA....CHAN...

SHE'S HERE TO
REGISTER AS A
NEW STUDENT...

HOHO, GIRLS THESE DAYS
GET TO WEAR MINISKIRT
ALL DAY. BACK IN MY DAY,
IF MY DAD SAW ME IN
YOUR OUTFIT, HE'D
GROUND ME FOR MONTHS!

SAME FOR
ME AS WELL.

Y- YEAH, HAHA...

YOU'RE REALLY
LUCKY THAT YOUR
PARENTS LET YOU
WEAR AN OUTFIT
LIKE THAT.

SO YOU MOVE TO
OUR SCHOOL FOR THE
SAME REASON AS
CHITOGI, RIGHT?

Y- YES...

GOOD GOOD, SO WE
CAN REPEAT THE
SAME PROCESS.

AND ALL THE
DOCUMENTS FOR
RIKA-CHAN ARE
HERE.

THANK YOU. I'LL
BRING OUT THE FORM
FOR YOU TWO TO
SIGN THEN, PLEASE
WAIT A MOMENT.

A MOMENT LATER...

OKAY.

PLEASE READ CARE-
FULLY AND SIGN AT
THE BOTTOM. ONE
FOR THE PARENT,
AND ONE FOR THE
STUDENT.

PLEASE LET ME
KNOW WHEN YOU'RE
DONE.

UGH, OKAY...

AFTER A LITTLE WHILE...

AND WITH THIS, YOUR
REGISTRATION IS DONE!
CONGRATULATION ON
BEING ONE OF OUR
STUDENT!

W- WOW, THAT
WAS QUICK...

THE ONLY THING LEFT
TO DO IS GO TO THE
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
ON THE 1ST FLOOR.

ALRIGHT, THANK YOU
FOR YOUR TIME,
AYUMI-SAN.

YOU'RE WELCOME.



A MOMENT LATER...

A- AUNTY, C- CAN
WE TALK ABOUT
WHAT WE JUST DID
FIRST?

BUT...

SURE THING, BUT AFTER
WE FINISHED THE
REGISTRATION
PROCESS, OKAY?

LIGHHH...



A comic panel showing two anime-style women standing on a green staircase. The woman on the left has short purple hair, is wearing a black long-sleeved top, a red skirt, and dark purple thigh-high stockings. She is holding the hand of the woman on the right. The woman on the right has short reddish-brown hair, wears glasses, a blue jacket over a light blue top, and a red skirt. She is holding the hand of the first woman. Both women have a slightly nervous or shy expression. The background is a simple green wall and staircase.

Y- Y- YOU DON'T
HAVE TO HOLD MY
HANDS ALL THE TIME.
I- I'M NOT A KID
ANYMORE...

LGH, T- THAT'S
BECAUSE YOU
WOULDN'T LISTEN
TO ME.

WELL, YOU JUST
ACTED LIKE A LITTLE
GIRL A WHILE AGO.

HMM...



UGH, YEAH...
M- MAYBE WE CAN
JUST TELL THEM-

HUH?

LOOK, RIKA-CHAN. I KNOW
HOW YOU FEEL, OKAY?
BUT YOUR SITUATION IS
REALLY SPECIAL.

THAT'S WHY WE NEED A
SPECIAL SOLUTION TO
SOLVE THIS.

I MEAN IF YOUR PLAN IS
TO GO IN THERE AND TELL
EVERYONE YOUR STORY,
DO YOU THINK THEY
WOULD BELIEVE YOU?



P- PROBABLY?

H- HOW WOULD
YOU KNOW?

THEY WOULDN'T. IT'S
CLEAR AS DAY, THAT
YOU ARE A GIRL, OR
A SPECIAL GIRL AT
LEAST.

EVEN IF THEY BELIEVE YOU,
THEY COULD CONTACT
YOUR FATHER, ANNNND...
I BET YOUR FATHER
WOULD WANT YOU TO GO
BACK HOME IMMEDIATELY.

AND THAT'S NOT WHAT
YOU WANT RIGHT?



T- THEN, WHAT
SHOULD I DO?

B- BUT WHAT IF
THEY FIND OUT
THAT I'M NOT
REALLY A GIRL?

WELL, THE BEST WAY
FOR YOU IS TO PLAY
ALONG. JUST ACT
NORMALLY, LIKE YOU
DID WITH AYANO.

I COULDN'T THINK OF
ANYWAY FOR THEM TO
FIND OUT, RIKA-CHAN.
EVEN THE DEAN
COULDN'T TELL~

UNLESS.....
THEY SEE WHAT'S
HIDDEN BENEATH
YOUR SKIRTS.



OH YEAH, HOW AM I
GOING TO PREVENT
THAT??

O- OH....

UGHH.... I DON'T
KNOW, AUNTY...
IT'S-

HMM...

OH, YOU COULD
JUST TUCK IT
AWAY, REMEMBER?

PROBLEM SOLVED!

HMM, DID YOU FORGET
HOW TO DO IT? I CAN
TEACH YOU AGAIN IF
YOU WANT.



O- OF COURSE
I REMEMBER
HOW TO DO IT!

B- BUT I HAVE TO
COME TO SCHOOL
EVERYDAY, Y- YOU
KNOW? I CAN'T
JUST-

E- EVERYDAY?!

THEN YOU'RE GOOD
TO GO THEN.

IT'S NOT THAT HARD,
RIKA-CHAN. THEN YOU
NEED TO TUCK IT IN,
EVERYDAY.

YES, OR DO YOU
WANT TO RISK IT?



N- NO, I DON'T
WANT TO RISK IT,
BUT I ALSO DON'T
WANT TO DO IT.

M- MAYBE
THERE'S-

LIGH... OKAY...

WELL, THE CHOICE
IS YOURS.

ALRIGHT, WE TALKED A
LOT HERE ALREADY.
WE CAN TALK LATER,
BUT NOW WE NEED TO
GET MOVING.

KEEP YOUR HEAD
UP, GIRL. I KNOW
YOU CAN DO IT!



SIGH

REALLY?

OH? I SEE.

AND WE'LL GO TO
MY CAFE AFTER
THIS. AIRI-CHAN IS
WAITING FOR YOU.

WELL, SHE CAN'T STOP
ASKING ME ABOUT YOU.
SO I TOLD HER THAT
FROM TODAY ON,
YOU'LL BE IN THE SAME
SCHOOL AS HER.

JUST YOU WAIT
UNTIL YOU SEE HER
FACE. ALRIGHT,
LET'S GO~



HEH? AIRI-CHAN MUST
BE REALLY EXCITED TO
BE IN THE SAME
SCHOOL WITH ME.

SIGH AT LEAST THIS
IS NOT THAT BAD...

AND GOOD TIMING, I
ALSO WANT TO TALK
TO HER ABOUT LAST
SATURDAY AS WELL...

I DIDN'T HAVE A
CHANCE TO EXPLAIN
TO HER LAST TIME.

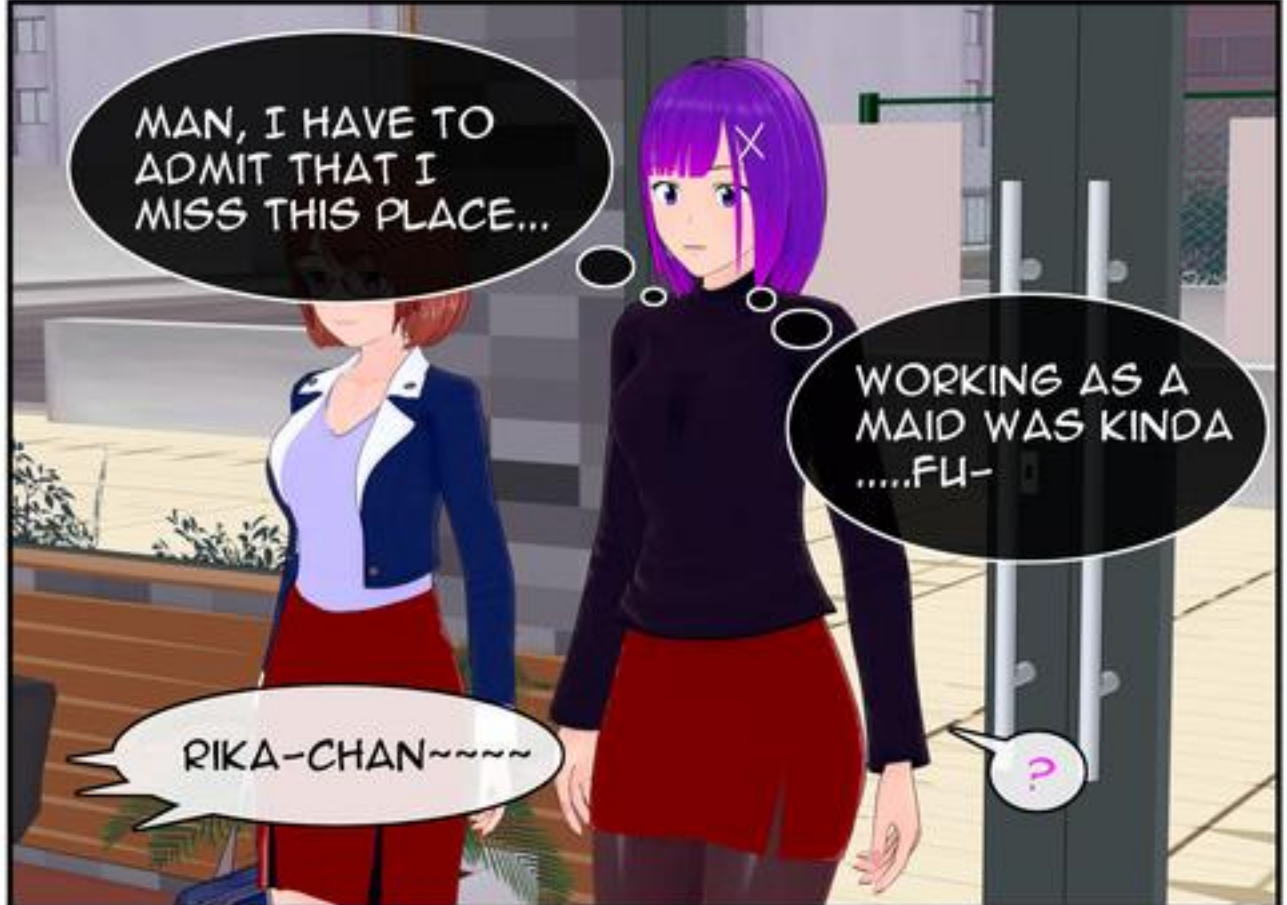
TIME TO CLEAR
THINGS UP!

AT THE CAFE

An anime-style illustration of two women walking into a cafe. The woman on the left has long dark hair and is wearing a blue jacket over a light purple top and a red skirt, carrying a blue bag. The woman on the right has short purple hair with a white 'X' on her forehead, wearing a black long-sleeved top and a red skirt. They are walking on a blue patterned rug towards a set of glass doors. The cafe interior features a wooden counter, a grey armchair, and large windows looking out onto a city street.

AHHH, IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE LAST TIME I CAME HERE. I DON'T EVEN REMEMBER WHEN, HAHA.

BUT LOOKS LIKE IT'S STILL THE SAME CAFE THAT I WORKED FOR THREE MONTHS...



MAN, I HAVE TO
ADMIT THAT I
MISS THIS PLACE...

WORKING AS A
MAID WAS KINDA
.....FU-

RIKA-CHAN~~~~



OMG, RIKA-CHAN....

OH, HELLO AIRI-CHAN,
HELLO EVERYONE!



H- HE'S EVEN BIGGER
THAN ME!!

OH MY GOD...

CONGRATULATION ON
YOUR REGISTRATION!
AND WELCOME TO MY
SCHOOL~

AH~ THANK YOU,
AIRI-CHAN! HEHE~



I'VE BEEN WAITING
FOR YOU FOR A
WHILE. LET'S MOVE
TO THE CHANGING
ROOM SHALL WE?

AIKO-SAN LET ME
BORROW, RIKA-CHAN
FOR A MOMENT.

OH, SURE.

OKAY~

A MOMENT LATER...

HEHE, I'M SO GLAD
WE'RE IN THE SAME
SCHOOL~

ME TOO! BUT UMM...
IT'S NOT EXACTLY AS
I EXPECTED THOUGH...

HMM? WHAT DO YOU
MEAN?

W- WELL, THIS IS A BIT
EMBARRASSING...
DON'T TELL ANYONE
ABOUT THIS, OKAY?

OKAY, I PROMISE!



UHM.... I- I'LL BE
ATTENDING THE SCHOOL
AS A G- G- GIRL....

W- WHAT?
H- HOW?

B- BUT IT'S NOT
WHAT YOU THINK.

BLUSHING

HOHO~ I ALREADY
KNEW THAT YOU
WOULD DO THAT!

LOOK AT YOUR
BODY, GIRL~ CUTE
HIPS, NICE BOOBS,
WHAT MORE COULD
A GIRL ASK FOR?

HUHU, YOU'VE
ALWAYS BEEN
LIKE THIS,
RIKA-CHAN~



LIKE WHAT?

I- I DON'T THINK I UNDERSTAND...

AH...? OKAY...?

YOU'RE ALWAYS SAYING YOU DON'T LIKE THIS OR THAT, BUT IN THE END YOU ALWAYS WANTED IT, RIGHT?

HEHE, IT'S FINE IF YOU DON'T GET IT. I STILL HAVE THE WHOLE SEMESTER TO SHOW YOU~

BUT NOW, SHOW ME YOUR UNIFORM!



OH, THAT...
I DIDN'T BRING
IT ALONG WITH
ME.

IT'S PROBABLY
IN AUNTY'S CAR,
HAH-

DON'T WORRY,
RIKA-CHAN.
I GOT YOU.



OH, AIKO-SAN!
THANK YOU SO
MUCH!

YOU'RE WELCOME,
I ALSO WANT TO
SEE HIM IN THIS
OUTFIT AS WELL.

UGHH....



GOSH, Y- YOU REALLY
BROUGHT IT HERE...

R- RIGHT NOW?

N- NO, THANKS!
I- I CAN CHANGE IT
BY MYSELF!

OF COURSE, I ALSO WANT
AIRI-CHAN TO SEE IT. IT'S
HER SCHOOL'S UNIFORM
AFTER ALL. ALRIGHT, TIME
TO CHANGE!

YES! DO YOU NEED
HELP WITH CHANGING?

HUHU, HERE
YOU GO~

A MOMENT LATER...

I THINK I'M DONE...
OMG, THIS IS....

G- GUYS, YOU CAN
COME IN!

YAY~ FINALLY, I CAN'T
WAIT TO SEE YOU,
RIKA-CHAN~



I- IS THIS REALLY THE
SCHOOL UNIFORM?

T- THIS IS TOO
SHORT!!

BLUSHING

AH~ AS I THOUGHT,
YOU LOOK SO
ADORABLE!

YES! YES! YES!!!



D- DON'T YOU
THINK THIS IS TOO
SHORT, AUNTY??

HMM? I THINK IT'S A
PERFECT MATCH FOR
YOU. OH MY, ALL THE
BOYS WILL RUN AFTER
THAT SHAPELY LEGS OF
YOURS~

AND IT'S ALL THANKS
TO THIS UNIFORM!

Y- YOU'RE KIDDING,
RIGHT?





WELL, IF YOU'RE
GONNA BE A GIRL, AT
LEAST YOU GOTTA
LOOK YOUR BEST!

M- MAYBE?

LIKE, I THINK YOUR
HAIR COULD BE
IMPROVED, RIKA-CHAN.
WE CAN MAKE IT A BIT
LONGER, AND MORE
VIBRANT.

OH YEAH~
LONGER HAIR
WOULD LOOK
GREAT ON HER.



H- HER...?

WHOOOPS, HAHA.
BUT, WOULDN'T IT BE
WEIRD TO REFER YOU
AS A BOY WHEN YOU
LOOK THIS CUTE?

WEIRD?
NO!

HMM, I THINK I AGREE
WITH AIKO-SAN. WE
SHOULD START REFER
YOU AS A GIRL FROM
NOW. EVEN WHEN WE'RE
ALONE.



H- HUH? WHY? IT'S
ONLY US IN HERE,
RIGHT?

WELL, I'M PRETTY SURE
YOU DON'T WANT ME TO
SLIP UP AT SCHOOL AND
REFER TO YOU AS "HE",
OR "HIM".

UGH... THAT'S...

SEE? THIS IS JUST FOR
ME AND AIKO-SAN TO
GET USED TO CALLING
YOU~



I- I SEE....
UGHH, BUT STILL...
IT'S REALLY WEIRD
TO HEAR THAT
THOUGH...

SIGH OKAY...

UMM.... IS THAT
REALLY NECESSARY?

YEP, IT WILL BE
WEIRD AT FIRST, BUT
YOU WILL GET USED
TO IT EVENTUALLY~

ALRIGHT, BACK TO
THE PREVIOUS
TOPIC. I DO THINK A
QUICK TRIP TO THE
MALL IS NEEDED.

IT IS, TRUST
ME!

AIKO-SAN, CAN WE GO TO THE SHOPPING MALL TOMORROW? I REALLY WANT TO HELP RIKA-CHAN GET READY FOR HER FIRST DAY.

W- WAIT A MINUTE...

HMM, LET'S SEE...

TOMORROW RIKA-CHAN HAS A POST SURGERY CHECK UP WITH HER DOCTOR IN THE AFTER-NOON...

BUT IF YOU CAN MAKE IT HERE BEFORE NOON, THEN THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM.

OH?



OH THAT'S PLENTY OF
TIME. THANK YOU
AIKO-SAN!

YOU'RE WELCOME,
MAKE SURE SHE
LOOKS HER BEST,
OKAY?

YOU CAN LEAVE IT
TO ME!

OKAY~ I THINK I
SHOULD GET BACK
TO WORK.

G- GUYS...?







UGH, I KNOW,
I KNOW....

GOSH, IT'S JUST A SCHOOL...
WHY THEY ARE MAKING A BIG
DEAL OUT OF IT?

GOOD! OH, AND YOU
DON'T HAVE TO WORK
YET. WE WILL ASK THE
DOCTOR ABOUT YOUR
CONDITION TOMORROW,
OKAY?

OKAY...

ALRIGHT, LET'S HEAD
HOME THEN~

SIGH

THE NEXT DAY...

AND WE'RE HERE AGAIN~

SIGH THIS IS THE THIRD TIME I CAME HERE.

BUT THIS TIME I ALREADY KNOW WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN. UGH...!

BUT AT LEAST I KNOW I WON'T LOOK STUPID...

WELCOME!



HELLO~ WE'RE
HERE FOR A HAIR
EXTENSION.

AH, OKAY~ WHICH
ONE OF YOU IS IT?

OH, THERE'RE NO OTHER
CUSTOMERS AT THE
MOMENT. DO YOU WANT
TO DO IT NOW?

T- THAT'S
GONNA BE ME.

S- SURE.



AND COULD YOU ALSO
MAKE HER HAIR'S COLOR
REALLY POPS? SHE
REALLY NEEDS IT FOR
HER SCHOOL DEBUT
TOMORROW.

OH, I CAN EASILY
DO THAT.

GREAT!
THAT'S ALL
FOR US.

GOT IT. NOW THEN,
PLEASE FOLLOW ME.

A- AIRI-CHAN.

UGH....
OKAY...

50 MINUTES LATER...

YAWN

THIS TAKES SO LONG.
I HOPE IT WILL TURN
OUT GREAT.

AND WE'RE DONE~

LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE
DONE~ PERFECT!

LET'S SEE HOW
RIKA-CHAN LOOKS
LIKE WITH THE NEW
HAIR~

OH MY GOD....
T- THIS IS....

YES~ WE'RE FINISHED!
JUST GIVE ME A MOMENT.

EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU
FINISHED WITH HER HAIR?

OKAY,
HERE YOU GO~



HOHO, LOOKS LIKE THIS
IS ANOTHER MASTERPIECE
FROM ME.

I- IS THAT.....ME?

BLUSHING

I- I CAN'T.....

OH MY GOD!!!! YOU
LOOK SUPER DUUPER
CUTE, RIKA-CHAN!!!!

HUHU, I KNEW IT! ALL
YOU NEED IS ONLY
LONGER HAIR, AND OH
MY, YOU LOOK LIKE A
NEW PERSON!



I DON'T UNDERSTAND....
HOW CAN MAKING MY
HAIR LONGER BE THIS
MUCH OF A CHANGE?

B- BUT THIS IS DIFFERENT.
THIS TIME IT'S... IT IS LIKE
I'M LOOKING AT SOME-
ONE ELSE'S REFLECTION...

WELL, LAST TIME YOU
ALSO SAID THE SAME
THING RIKA-CHAN.

OH? WELL, SHE'S
PRETTY CUTE, RIGHT?

LGH....

....

Y- YES....

LGHHH, OKAY... YES,
S- SHE IS..... C- CUTE...

JUST ADMIT IT,
RIKA-CHAN. IS SHE
CUTE?

YOU CAN'T JUST
SAY YES. GIVE ME
FULL SENTENCE~

GOOD GOOD, AND
THAT CUTE GIRL IS
YOU.



AHHHH, THIS FEELS TOO WEIRD, AIRI-CHAN... I- I DON'T KNOW HOW TO DESCRIBE.

UHHHH, O- OKAY...

SHOPPING? I THOUGHT WE'RE ONLY HERE FOR THIS.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO. JUST GIVE IT SOME TIMES.

ALRIGHT, TIME TO GET GOING~ I THINK THERE WILL BE SOME TIMES LEFT FOR SHOPPING BEFORE NOON~

NOPE~ LET'S GO THEN!

AT NOON...

SIGH IT'S ALREADY NOON AND THOSE TWO HAVEN'T COME BACK YET.

WHAT TOOK THEM SO LONG? IT'S JUST A HAIRCUT.

BUT KNOWING AIRI-CHAN, SHE PROBABLY HAS OTHER THINGS IN MIND.

AHHHHH, WE GOT HERE JUST IN TIME!

ALMOST IN TIME.



AH, THEY'RE BACK.

IT'S BECAUSE YOU TOOK TOO LONG PICKING YOUR NEW OUTFITS, RIKA-CHAN.

W- WHAT? BUT LOOK AT ALL THE CLOTHES YOU PICKED OUT FOR ME.... THEY'RE TOO MUCH!

REALLY? BUT YOU ACTUALLY PICKED OUT THE CUTEST ONE, HUUU~

UHHHH, I- IT'S BECAUSE WE RAN OUT OF TIME, AND YOU SAID I HAVE TO PICK SOMETHING. I- IT'S NOT MY CHOICE!

REAAAALY? HUUU, WHATEVER YOU SAY, RIKA-CHAN~

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A comic panel set in a modern room with large windows. On the left, a girl with short black hair and a pink cardigan over a white corset top and black skirt is gesturing with her hands. In the center, a girl with long purple hair and a pink off-the-shoulder top with a white skirt featuring red heart patterns stands looking towards the right. On the right, the back of a girl with long reddish-brown hair wearing a black and white plaid shirt is visible. She is looking towards the other two girls. The floor has a green and blue geometric pattern. Outside the windows, a green fence and some trees are visible.

O- OH,HELLO,
AIKO-SAN. SORRY
FOR THE LOUD
NOISE...

A- AND THIS IS THE
NEW RIKA-CHAN~~

LIGHHH, H- HI,
AUNTY...

W- WE'RE BACK...

OH. MY. GOD.



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