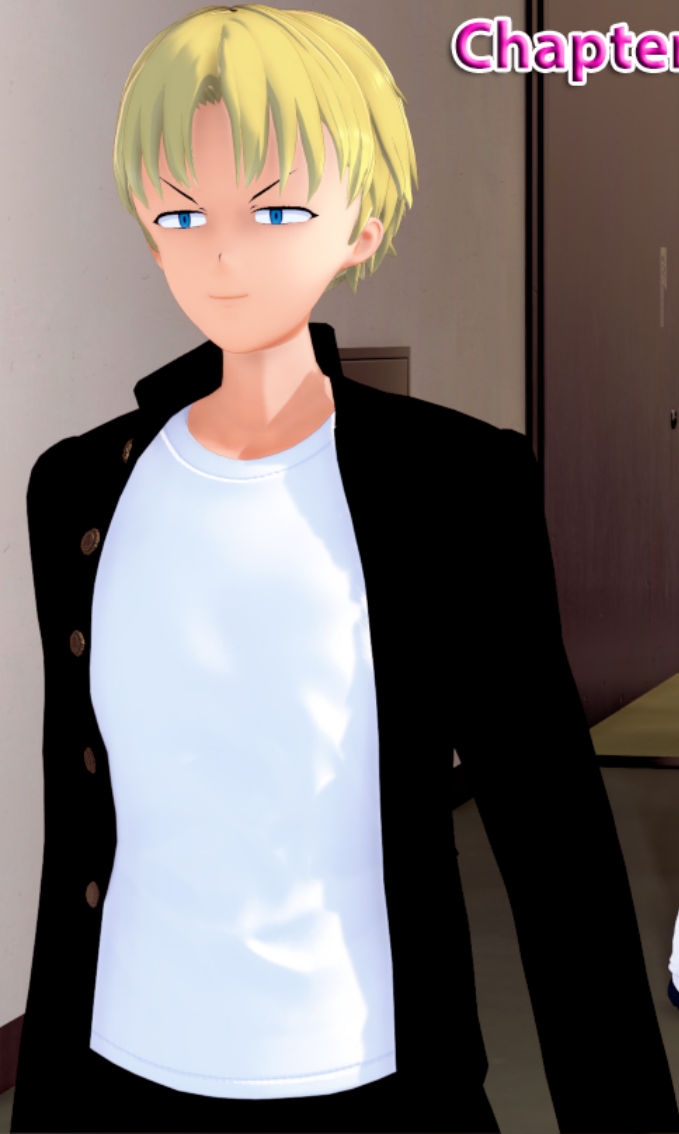


True Face

Chapter 1



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Did you hear that idiot
in class? She was
sucking up to Mrs.
Akira the whole time!



Yeah, that was pathetic... I
always knew Betty was the
biggest lickspittle ever!



Oh my god, I wanted to puke! I hate people like that...

It won't do her any good.
She's so stupid she probably won't pass her exams anyway...

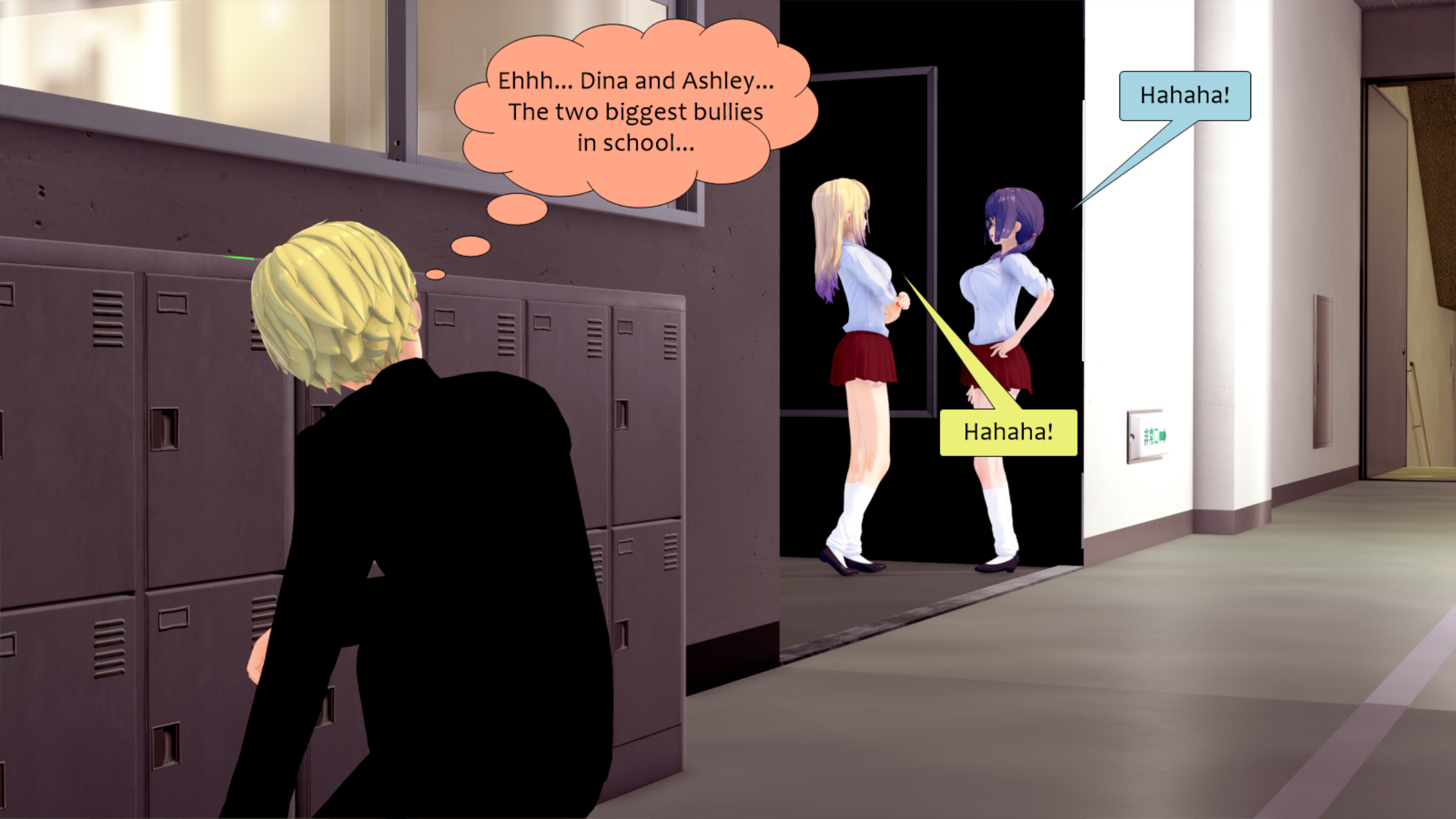
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Right! Such an
idiot! Hahaha!



Oh my... Do they have
to yell like that all the
way down the hall?



Ehhh... Dina and Ashley...
The two biggest bullies
in school...

Hahaha!

Hahaha!



Even though they
are intelligent, there
are constant problems
with them...

They think they are
untouchable... They
break the rules, skip
classes, make fun
of others...



Enough of this... They need
to be dealt with. Someone
like that won't do whatever
they want. Not in my school.

A moment later...

Excuse me,
girls...





Oh, Mrs. Akira...
What's the problem?





Daniel, your school president,
has made some very
disturbing comments to me
about the two of you...



Apparently you bully
and make fun of your
younger colleagues...

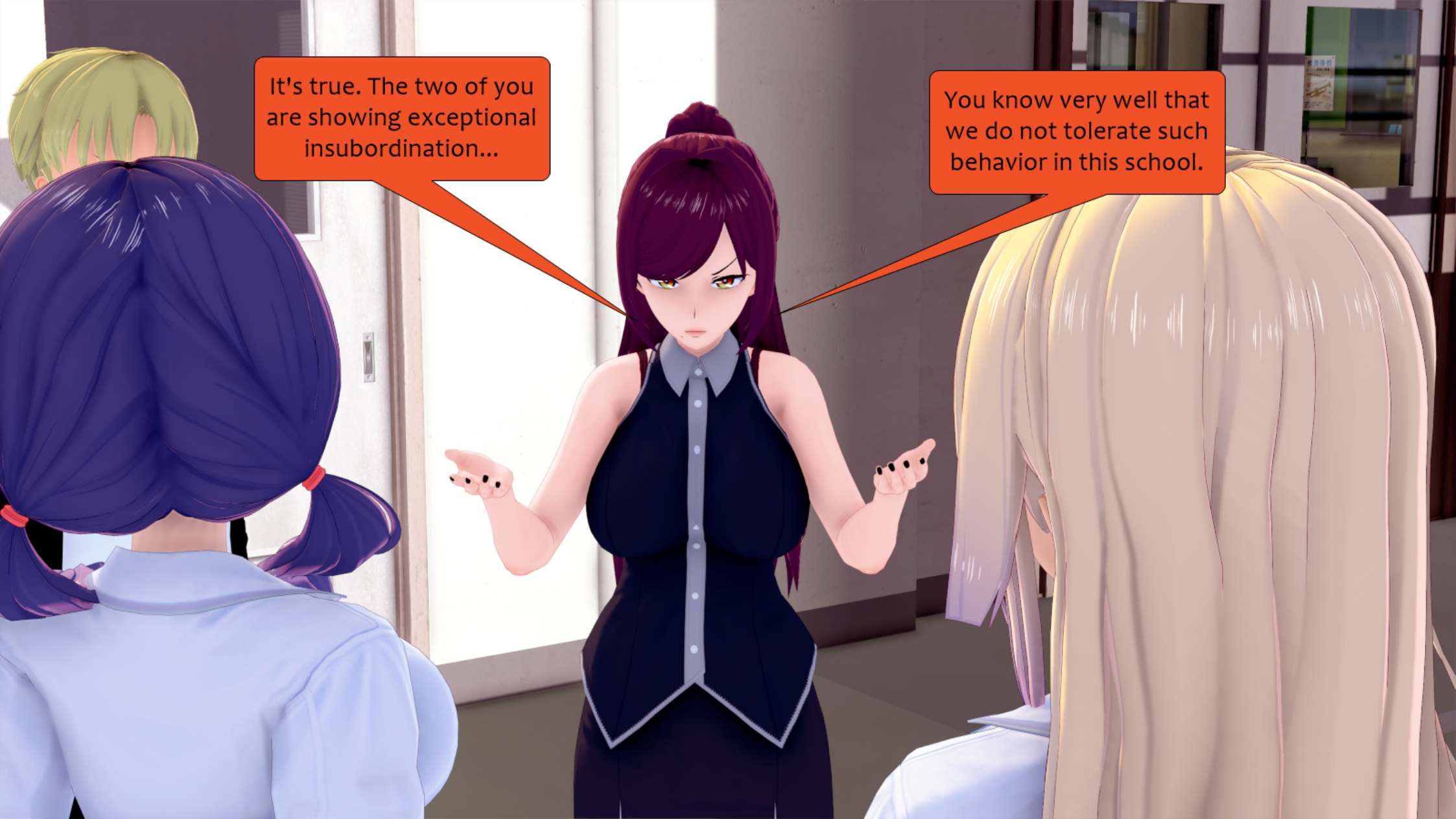


What? Daniel says
so? Mrs. Akira,
that's a lie!



Watch your mouth, Ashley! I know what I heard! Besides, this isn't the first time you've done this!





It's true. The two of you
are showing exceptional
insubordination...

You know very well that
we do not tolerate such
behavior in this school.

Yes, Mrs. Akira...
We understood
that...

We are
sorry...





It's good that we understand each other. Remember about tomorrow's make-up exam. I asked Daniel to be present in the room as well. He will help me keep an eye on you. I don't want any cheating.

Yes, Mrs. Akira...

Sure thing...



That damn Daniel...
What does he want
from us!?

Next day...



All right, girls... Since you both missed your exam last week, today is your last chance to pass.

A classroom scene with a teacher and two students. The teacher, a woman with long dark hair in a black dress, stands at a wooden podium in front of a green chalkboard. Two students, a girl with pigtails and a girl with long blonde hair, are seated at wooden desks, facing the teacher. The chalkboard has faint mathematical diagrams and equations. A calendar is on the wall to the right. A speech bubble from the teacher contains the text: "No amount of cheating or hints will work, I'm warning you right now...".

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or hints will work, I'm
warning you right now...

A calendar on the wall, showing a grid of dates and days of the week. The calendar is a standard monthly layout with a header row for the days of the week and a grid of dates below it.

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Yes, Mrs.
Akira...



Hah! They'll definitely
be up to something!
I know them already!



Gosh, such a hard
questions...



Damn, I don't have any
answers... Maybe I can
spot something from
Dina's paper...



Uh, looks like Ashley
needs help too...



Ahem... Girls, please
look at your sheets!



Yes! Sorry,
Mrs. Akira!



Hah! What an
embarrassing
spectacle!

Later that day...

I'm sick of
this, Dina!



An anime-style illustration of two young women standing on a rooftop terrace. They are both wearing light blue short-sleeved shirts, dark red pleated skirts, white knee-high socks, and black shoes. The woman on the left has short dark blue hair and is looking towards the woman on the right. The woman on the right has long blonde hair and is looking back at the first woman. They are standing on a light-colored tiled floor. In the background, there is a dark metal fence with a diamond mesh pattern. To the left, there is a brick planter box filled with various colorful flowers. Behind the girls is a wooden bench. To the right of the bench is a silver metal trash can. The background beyond the fence shows a city skyline with various buildings under a clear blue sky.

This guy is
haunting us!

And Mrs. Akira
is on his side!

An anime-style illustration of two female characters on a rooftop. The character on the left has short, dark purple hair in pigtails, wears glasses, and a light blue button-down shirt. She is looking towards the other character with a slightly annoyed or determined expression. The character on the right has long, straight, light blonde hair and is seen from the back, also wearing a light blue shirt. They are standing on a tiled rooftop with a metal railing and a chain-link fence in the background. A planter box with colorful flowers sits on the roof. A speech bubble points to the purple-haired character.

Yes, it's not fair!
We're not doing
anything wrong!



Daniel's got it in for us! Look!
He's even sitting there now,
as if by accident, but he's
actually watching us!



Yes, I noticed... He
pretends to look through
his phone, but I think he's
recording us...



Enjoy it while you can,
you idiots... As soon as
I gather evidence on you,
you'll be thrown out
of this school...



I've put in too much
work for this school to
have such a great reputation.
You won't ruin it.



Okay, that's enough
for today. They won't
do anything wrong
anymore.



In two days the exam results. Then it will be fun...



Hey you! Doesn't your class have a math lesson right now!?



Oh! Indeed! I'm
getting ready! Sorry,
Mr. Daniel!

Two days later...

I checked your work,
girls... It doesn't
look good...



None of you passed... Dina
was close, but unfortunately
I couldn't accept it...





Oh... But we really
tried... There's nothing
we can do?

Mrs. Akira... it's all because
of Daniel! He was picking on
us and distracting us during
the exam!



Sorry, Ashley, but I don't
accept that argument.
Daniel did his job well.



Thank you,
Mrs. Akira.

Haha, I got you! You'll fail
to pass to the next grade
and get kicked out of school!

Despite everything, I believe
you tried... this time... I'll give
you one last chance. Last
retake date, in a week.



A 3D anime-style character with long, dark purple hair styled in pigtails with red hair ties. She wears black-rimmed glasses and a light blue button-down shirt. She is sitting on a blue sofa with red cushions in a room with wood-paneled walls. A speech bubble points to her from the left.

We are very
grateful, Ms. Akira!



So what, loser?
That wasn't your
plan, was it?

Damn...

Later that day...

We need to get a grip, Dina.
We're going to pass this damn
exam and not give that rat the
satisfaction!



I know. We have to make
it. I don't want to get
kicked out of school...



I'm just wondering
how to get rid of
this idiot...

If we don't, he'll get
in our way every
time...



What's up? Are you
plotting something again?
Who are you gossiping
about this time?





None of your
fucking business,
snitch!

Yeah! Get
lost!

消火器
FIRE EXTINGUISHER



You better watch what you
say! Remember who
you're dealing wi....



Oh, shit!!!

A red, multi-pointed starburst or explosion-like shape centered on a black background. The shape has approximately 16 points of varying lengths, creating a jagged, energetic outline.

KABOOOOOM!

The scene is set in a hallway with a light-colored wall and a dark door on the right. Two anime-style girls are standing in the center. The girl on the left has dark purple hair, wears glasses, a light blue button-down shirt with rolled-up sleeves, and a dark red pleated skirt. She is looking back over her shoulder at a fire extinguisher. The girl on the right has light grey hair, green eyes, and wears the same school uniform. She has her arms crossed and is looking towards the fire extinguisher. A red fire extinguisher is on the floor next to a sign that reads 'FIRE EXTINGUISHER' in English and Chinese. The sign also includes instructions in Chinese and English, and a diagram showing the steps to use the extinguisher: 1. Pull the pin, 2. Aim the nozzle, 3. Squeeze the handle, 4. Sweep the nozzle. A shadow of the girl on the left is cast onto the wall behind her.

Oh my!

Damn, he fell out pretty bad...



Uuuugh...

An anime-style illustration of two young women standing on a balcony. The woman on the left has short purple hair, wears glasses, and a light blue button-down shirt. She has a relieved expression. The woman on the right has long, light pink hair and green eyes, also wearing a light blue button-down shirt. She has a slightly annoyed or exasperated expression. A large green plant is in the foreground on the right. The background shows a clear blue sky and the balcony railing.

Phew, he's
alive...

Hey, idiot... Are
you okay?



I... I'm not sure...
Where am I? And...
who are you?

An anime-style illustration of two female students in school uniforms (light blue button-down shirts and dark red pleated skirts) standing in a classroom. The student on the left has short purple hair and glasses, while the student on the right has long light grey hair and green eyes. They are both looking down at a male student with short green hair who is seen from the back. The background features a large window with a blue sky and a green chalkboard.

Are you
kidding us?

What are you talking
about Daniel? Don't you
recognize us?



Noo... Wait! Daniel?
Am I Daniel?



Hey, I guess he really doesn't remember anything... We should use this... Are you thinking... Are you thinking the same thing as me?



Hmm... That depends... Are you thinking of some... Misty-fiction?
Let's take him somewhere secluded and see what happens!



Heee...???

CHAPTER END