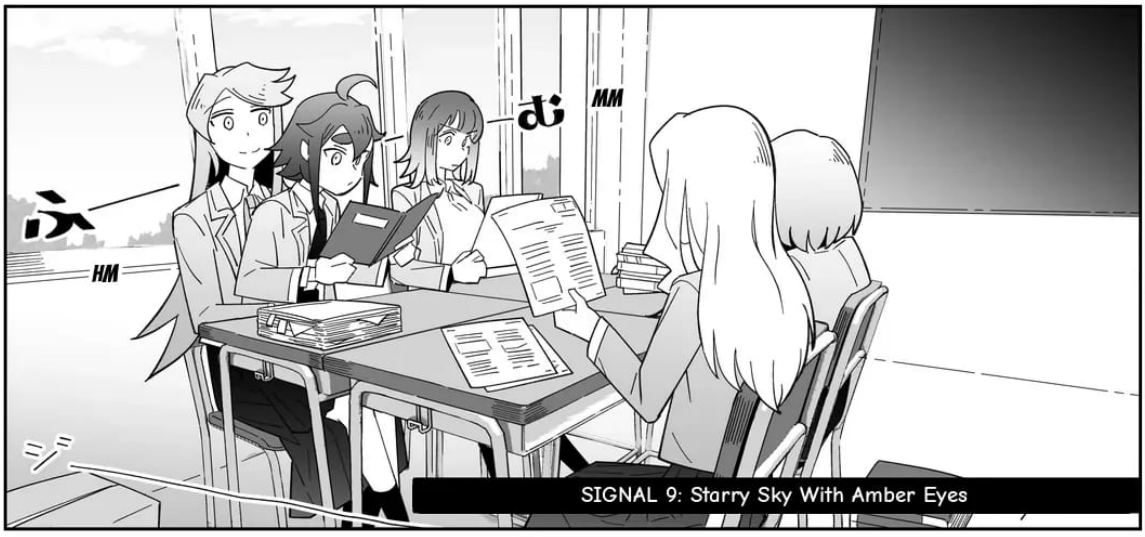
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SIGNAL 9: Starry Sky With Amber Eyes


Did you find something?


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I see.


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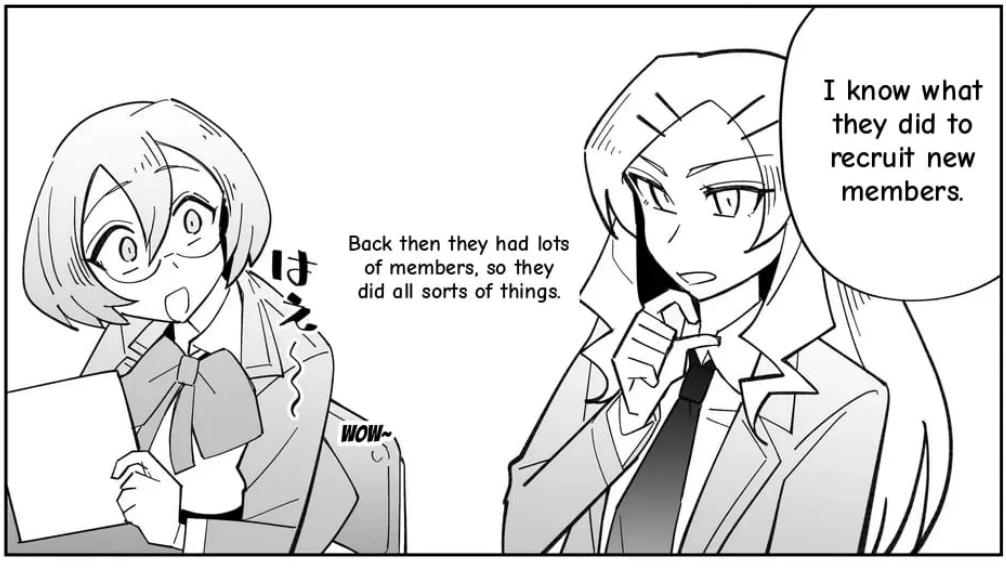
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WOW~
Back then they had lots of members, so they did all sorts of things.
I know what they did to recruit new members.

Outreach — Club intro at the entrance ceremony
Live shows & workshops at the culture festival / open campus

Mostly, they did live shows and workshops at the culture festival.

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The stuff Kakehashi wasn't doing.

Ordinary, but solid. You can tell from their planning papers.

That's more ordinary than I expected.

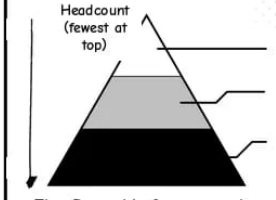

Fig.: Pyramid of new members

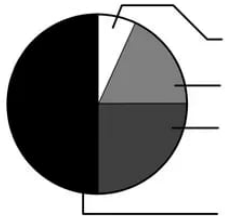

Fig.: Reasons for joining

So the idea is to show future students the club exists at the festival, since it doubles as an open campus.

And most new students already know about the club they join before they enroll.

How many join depends on how many people know the club exists.


Nah, that alone isn't much of a case.
So if we do a live show and a workshop at the festival, we can count on new members?
Kohaku, what've you been looking at all this time?
Agreed. Awareness only goes so far. The council won't buy it unless you at least lock in some recruits.
Um, I was looking at the old member list, and there's a name I know...
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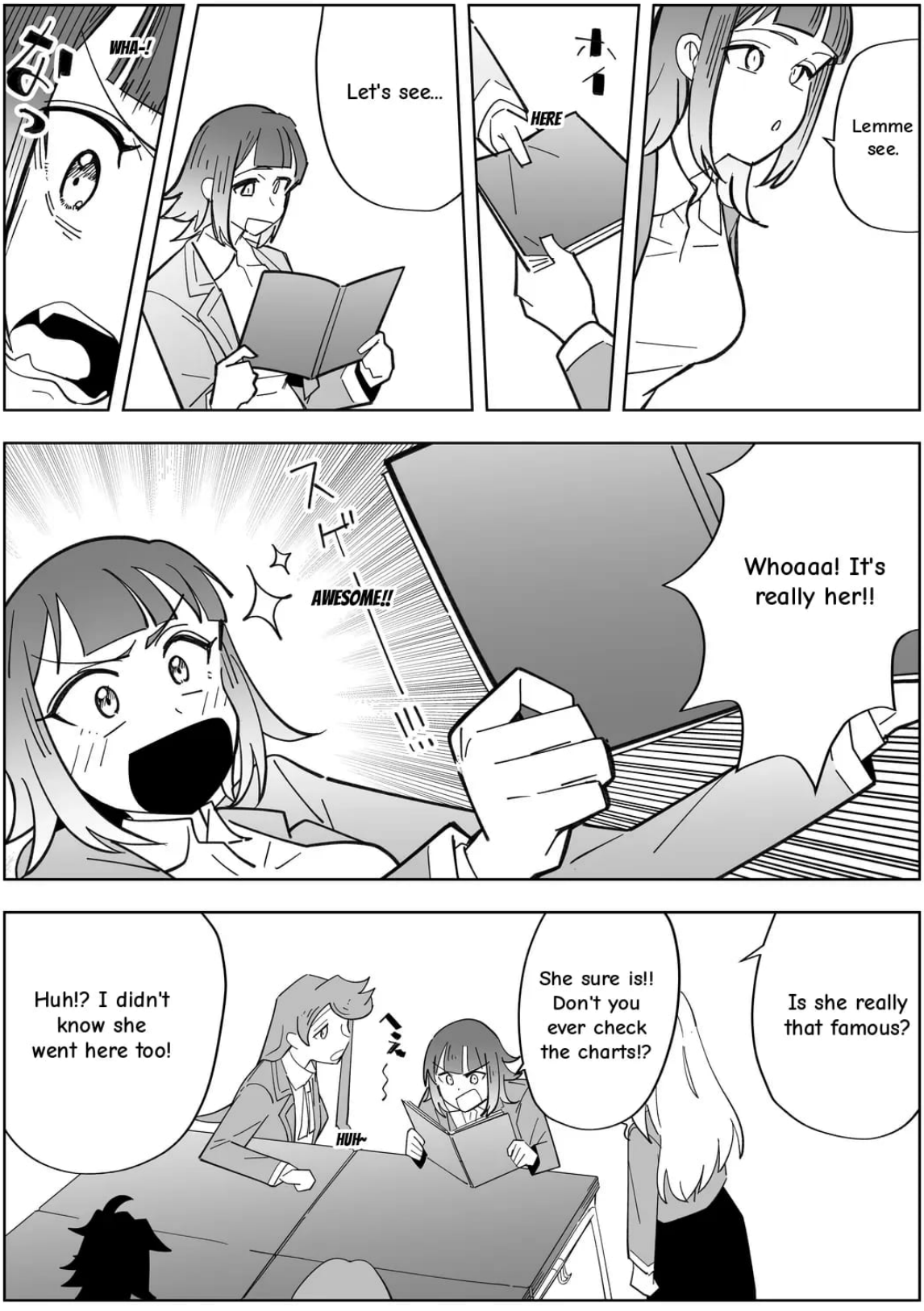
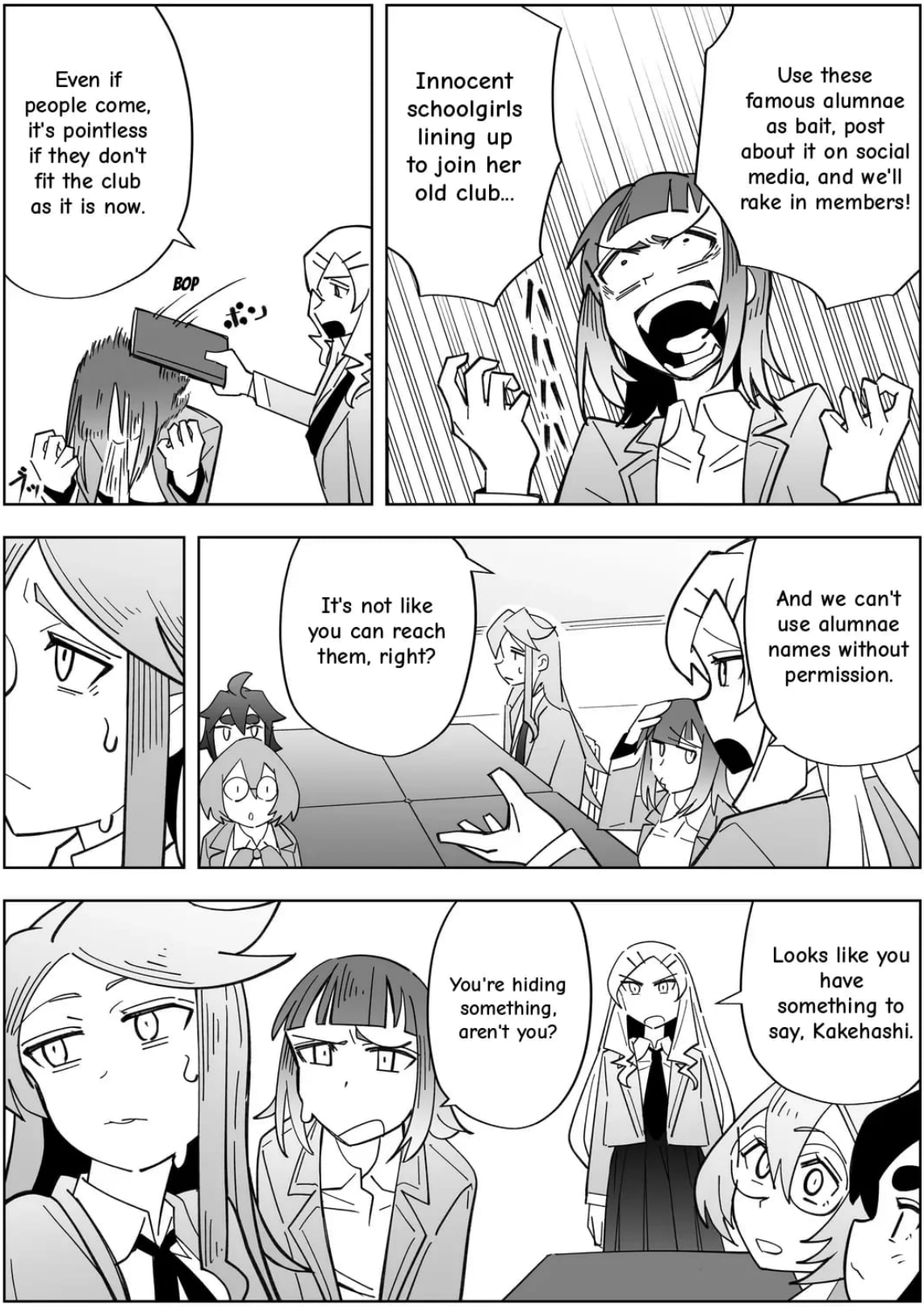
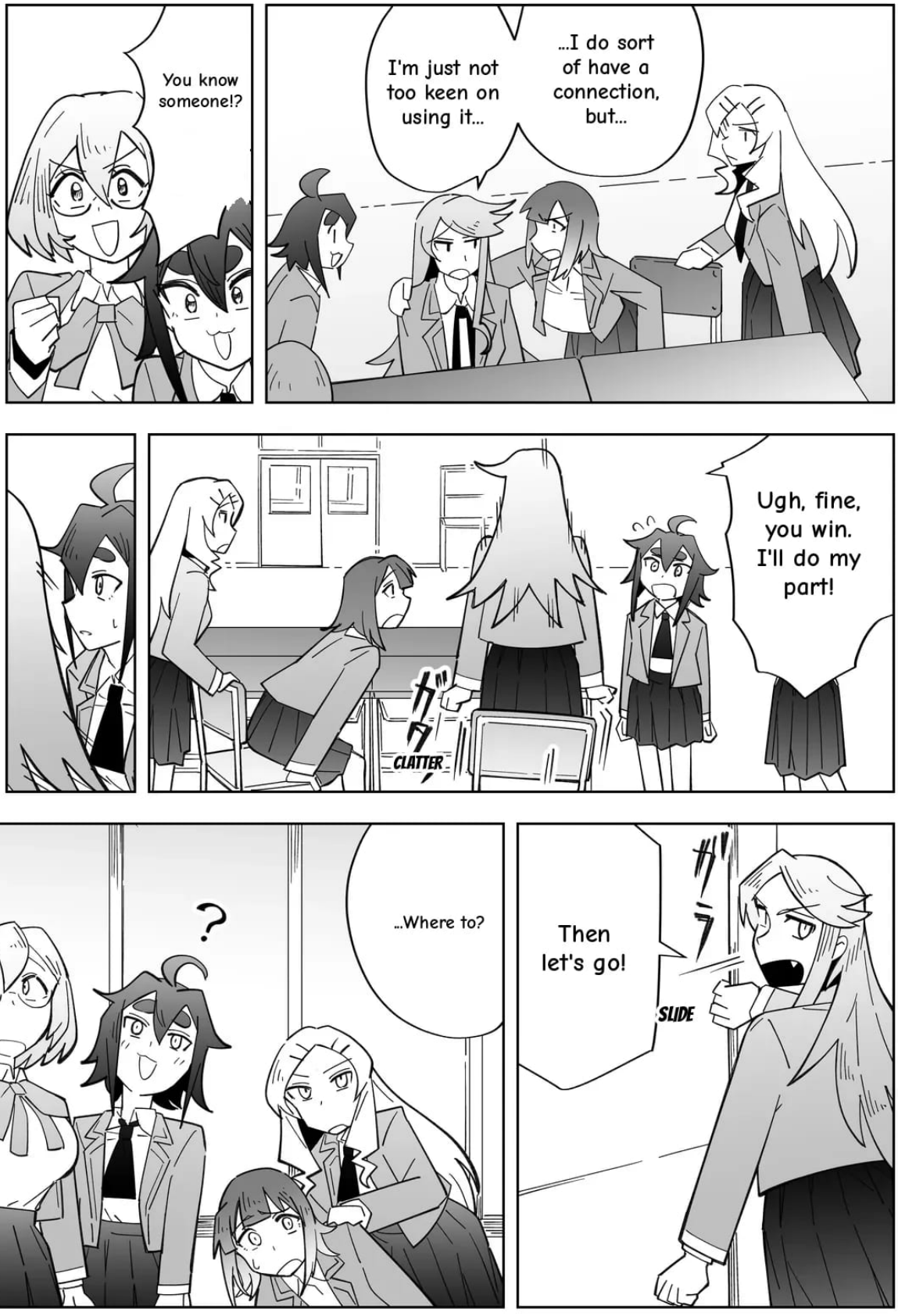
LOOK
This is a famous musician, isn't it?


WHA~!
Let's see...
HERE
Lemme see.
AWESOME!!
Whoaaa! It's really her!!
Huh!? I didn't know she went here too!
HUH~
She sure is!! Don't you ever check the charts!?
Is she really that famous?


Even if people come, it's pointless if they don't fit the club as it is now.
BOP
Innocent schoolgirls lining up to join her old club...
Use these famous alumnae as bait, post about it on social media, and we'll rake in members!
It's not like you can reach them, right?
And we can't use alumnae names without permission.
You're hiding something, aren't you?
Looks like you have something to say, Kakehashi.


You know someone!?
I'm just not too keen on using it...
...I do sort of have a connection, but...
Ugh, fine, you win. I'll do my part!
ガタ
CLATTER
...Where to?
?
Then let's go!
ガラ
SLIDE


STAFF ROOM
Excuse us~
SLIDE
Ms. Osanai!
Oh? Mitsueda and Kikumoto? That's rare.
Why the crowd?
That's a first since I became your homeroom teacher...
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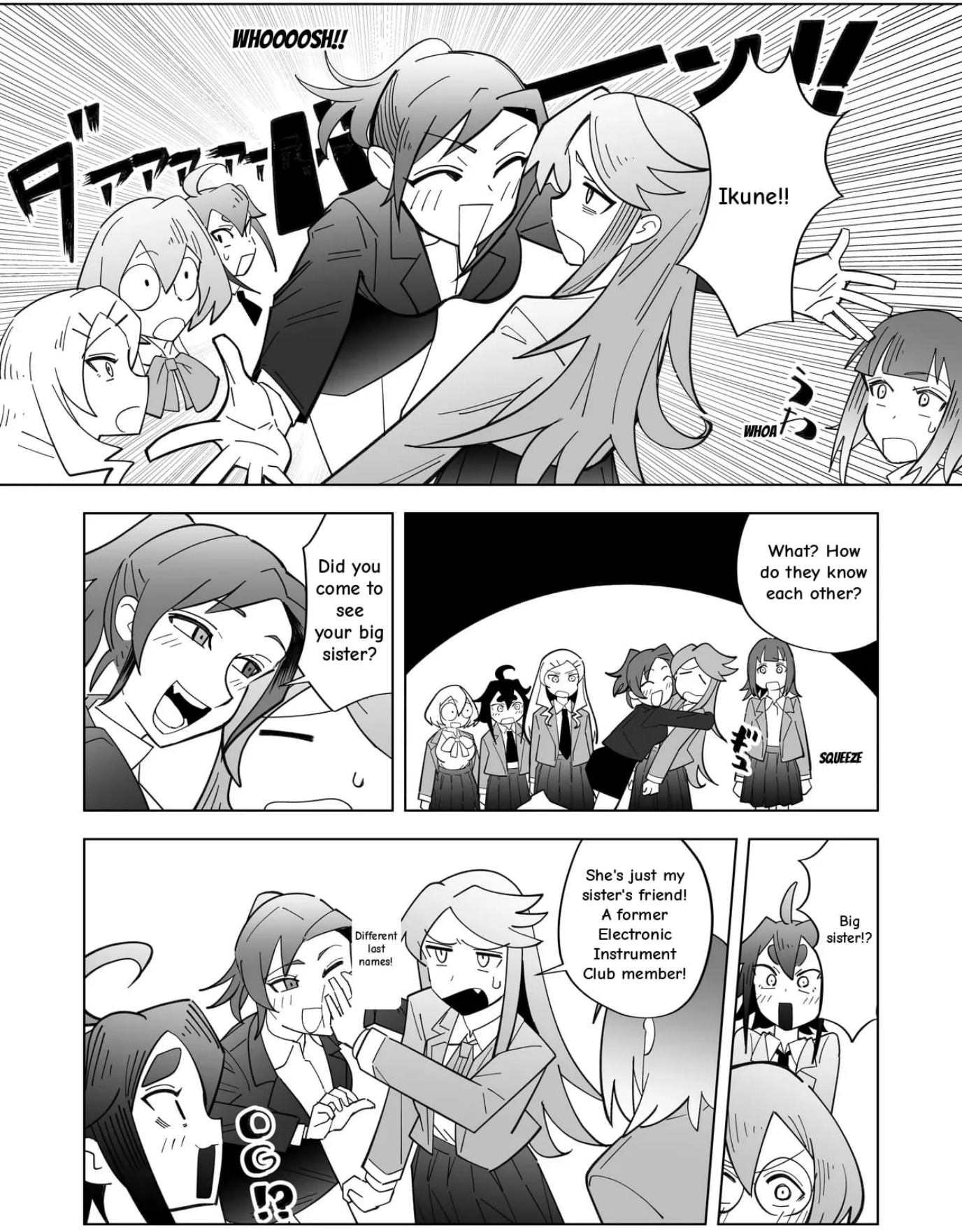
GLANCE


WHOOOOSH!!
Ikune!!
WHOA
What? How do they know each other?
SQUEEZE
Did you come to see your big sister?
Big sister!?
She's just my sister's friend! A former Electronic Instrument Club member!
Different last names!
OG!?


Hmm. I get the picture.
So, yada yada yada...
I could get in touch with the alumnae for you.
OK
Really!?
YAY!
And that is...?
GULP
But! On one condition!!
BAM


I demand the right to dress Ikune up for a whole day!!
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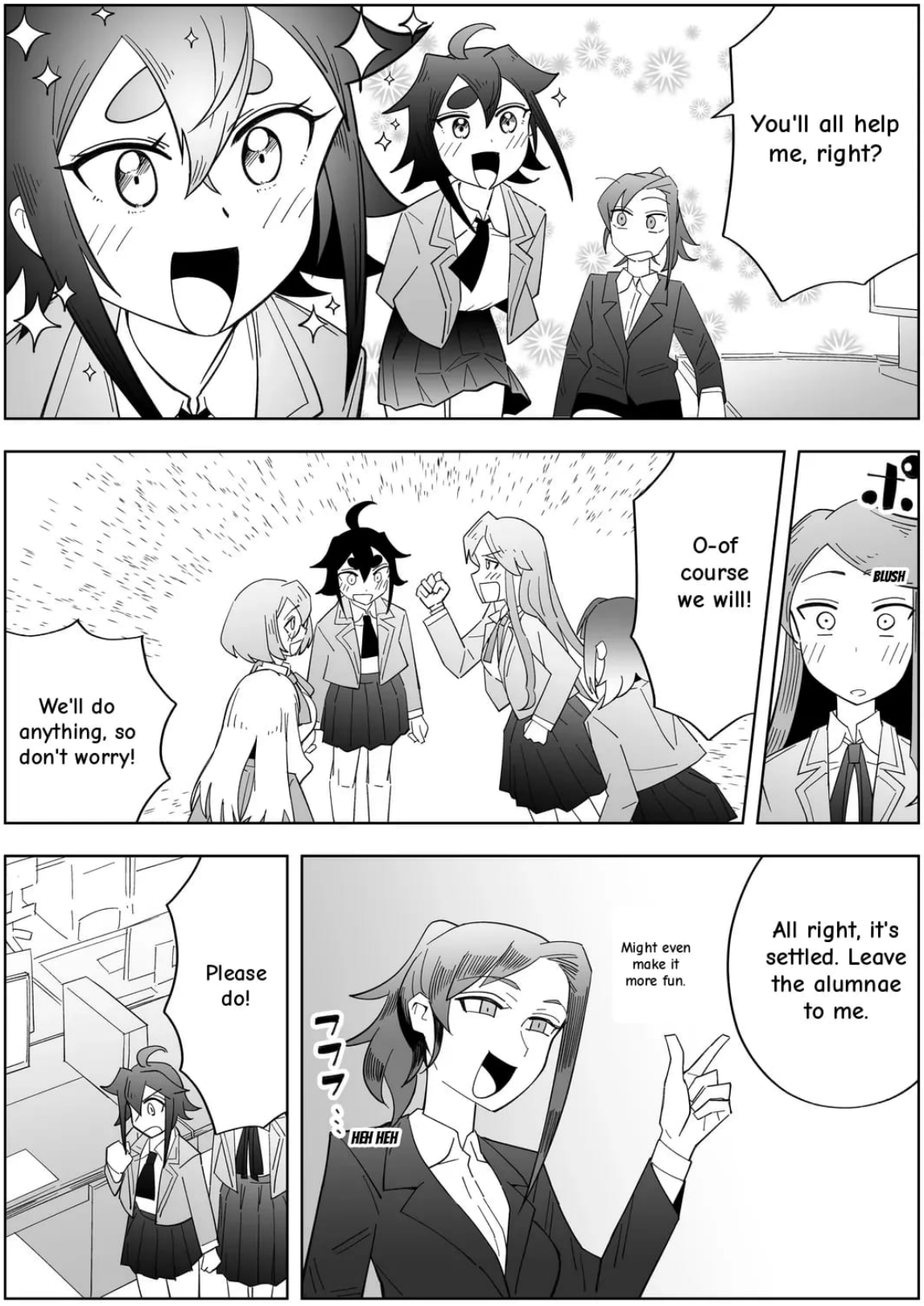
TA-DAAA!
This is why I didn't want to...
BOOM


You have to do a live show at the culture festival.
And one more thing.


You can't just decide that!?
Granted!!
WANNA SEE!


Mitsueda. And you'll be the one on stage.
But Kohaku says she's bad at performing...
Me... in a live show...?
You can say no, you know, Kohaku?
I... I...


YES!
I'll give it a shot!
The festival live show!!
It'll be tough, you know?
You're not pushing yourself again, are you?
It might be hard for me.
I don't have the experience or the skills.
So...


You'll all help me, right?
O-of course we will!
We'll do anything, so don't worry!
BLUSH
All right, it's settled. Leave the alumnae to me.
Might even make it more fun.
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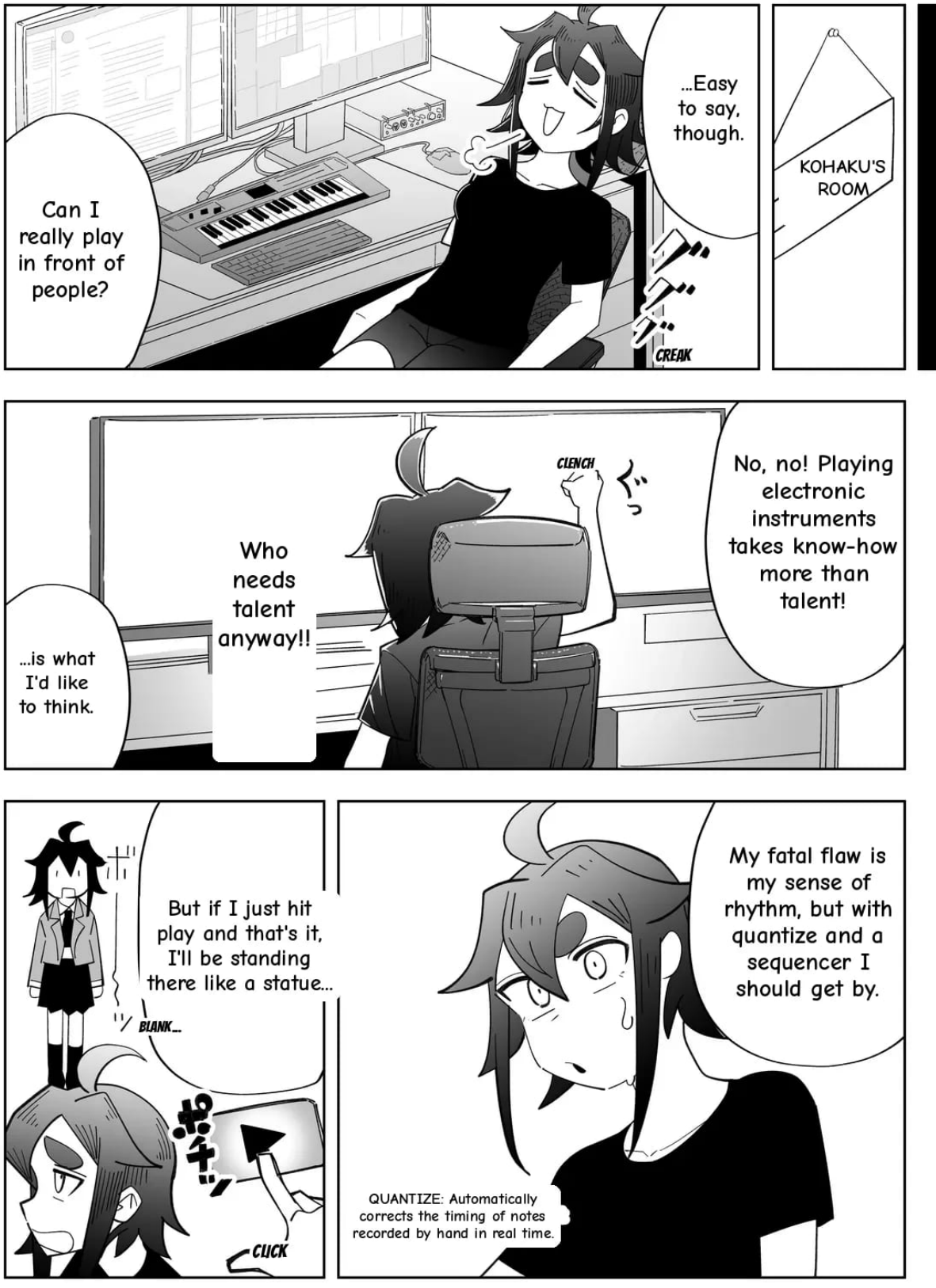
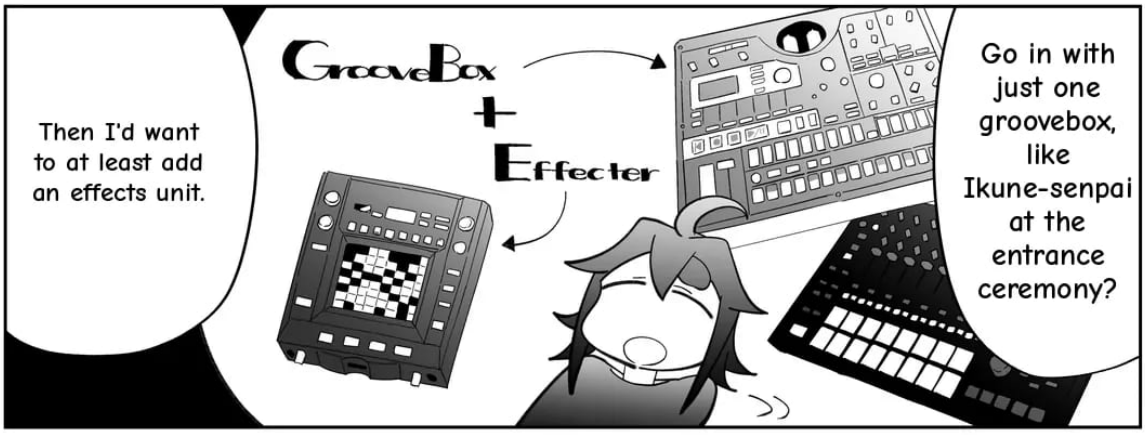
HEH HEH
Please do!


Can I really play in front of people?
...Easy to say, though.
CREAK
KOHAKU'S ROOM
...is what I'd like to think.
Who needs talent anyway!!
CLENCH
No, no! Playing electronic instruments takes know-how more than talent!
But if I just hit play and that's it, I'll be standing there like a statue...
BLANK...
CLICK
My fatal flaw is my sense of rhythm, but with quantize and a sequencer I should get by.
QUANTIZE: Automatically corrects the timing of notes recorded by hand in real time.


Then I'd want to at least add an effects unit.
GrooveBox
+
Effecter
Go in with just one groovebox, like Ikune-senpai at the entrance ceremony?


But between hauling it in and things going wrong live, it's way too much.
Get off, quick!!
The sound died...
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Or unveil the Moog IIIc "wardrobe" for max impact?


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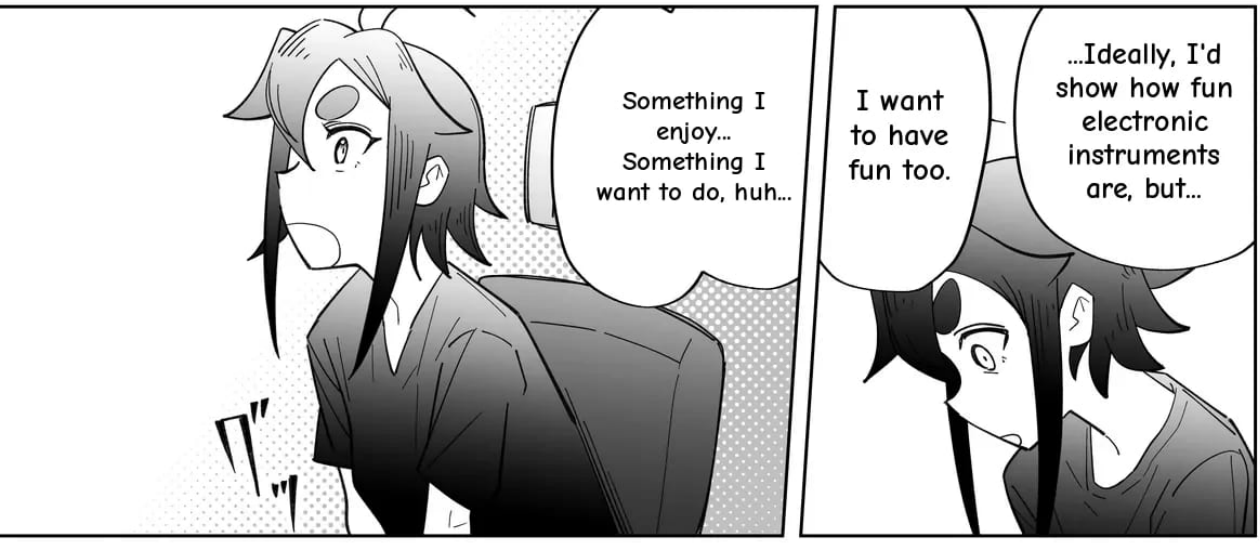
Something I enjoy... Something I want to do, huh...
I want to have fun too.
...Ideally, I'd show how fun electronic instruments are, but...



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