SURE.

I'M NOT ABLE TO PASS JUDGMENT ON THE CRIMINALS RIGHT NOW. MISA, I NEED YOU TO DO IT.

chapter 57 Two Choices

OKAY, I UNDER-STAND.

...DON'T WRITE THE NAMES ON THE DEATH NOTE PAGES WHILE IN YOUR HOUSE. LOOK OUT FOR SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS AND ONLY DO IT IN THE BATHROOM DURING YOUR MOVIE SHOOTS, OR OUTSIDE.

YOU WON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE GAINING INFO ON CRIMINALS FROM THE TV AND INTERNET, BUT...

LIGHT...

LET'S BUILD A NEW WORLD TOGETHER!

IF YOU DO THAT, I WILL DEFINITELY BE ABLE TO OPERATE AS KIRA ONCE AGAIN.

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THIS PAGE OF THE MURDER NOTEBOOK HAS A PIECE RIPPED OUT. IF YOU WRITE SOMEONE'S NAME ON A PIECE THAT'S BEEN REMOVED, WILL IT KILL THE PERSON?

WHO KNOWS? I'VE NEVER USED IT THAT WAY, SO I WOULDN'T KNOW.

THEN DO SHINIGAMI ONLY EAT APPLES?

NO. BUT THE SHINIGAMI REALM IS SO BARREN AND THERE'S ALMOST NO FOOD, SO THE SHINIGAMI STOMACH HAS EVOLVED...

THEY THINK ON THE SAME LEVEL...

RYUZAKI... HE HAS THE SAME KIND OF MIND AS LIGHT YAGAMI...

THAT WAS FAST, YAGAMI-KUN.

?

YOU'RE FREE NOW, YET YOU HARDLY EVER LEAVE HERE... MISA-SAN COMES AND YOU JUST TALK TO HER BRIEFLY IN THE LOBBY... YOU CAN GO OUTSIDE AND HAVE A LOVE LIFE, YOU KNOW?

NO...

OR DO YOU NOT LIKE HAVING ME HERE?

I'M IN NO MOOD FOR LOVE AT THE MOMENT.

THE KIRA CASE HASN'T BEEN SOLVED YET.

DOES HE NOT WANT ME TO LEAVE HIS SIGHT...? NOW IT'S AS IF THINGS HAVE REVERSED, I FEEL LIKE I'M THE ONE BEING WATCHED... IS IT SO I WON'T USE THE MURDER NOTEBOOK? IT'S TRUE THAT I'D LIKE TO TEST IT OUT, BUT I KNOW WE CAN'T DO THAT... IF HE'S WATCHING ME FOR ANOTHER REASON...

FOR SOME REASON LIGHT YAGAMI DOESN'T LEAVE HERE EVEN THOUGH HE'S FREE TO ...

IF YOU TAKE THE NOTEBOOK WITH YOU AND HIDE, REM WILL HAVE TO STAY HERE WITH ME EVEN THOUGH THE NOTEBOOK HAS MOVED. THAT WILL SEEM ODD.

IF YOU GO INTO HIDING RIGHT NOW, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO CONFIRM YOUR DEATH... WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS THAT THE NOTEBOOK STAY HERE AND YOU DIE WITHOUT ANY-ONE HAVING USED IT.

THE POLICE, AIBER, AND WEDY ARE RECEIVING NO INSTRUC-TION FROM RYUZAKI RIGHT NOW.

...I CAN'T LET YOU OUT OF MY SIGHT.

NO, IT HASN'T BEEN DECIDED YET.

CHIEF, SO YOU'RE GONNA GET A PROMO-TION?

COUGH

AND NOW THAT WE'VE PATCHED THINGS UP WITH THE NPA...

NOW EVERY-THING SHOULD GO PERFECTLY.

NOW THAT I'M SURE OF THAT, I CAN HAVE MISA START KILLING CRIMINALS.

The Next Day

WHAT'S GOING ON?!! THE CRIMINALS ARE BEING KILLED AGAIN...?!

ALL AT ONCE...

SIXTEEN JUST LAST NIGHT... ALL THE PEOPLE SHOWN ON TV SINCE HIGUCHI'S DEATH...

...

KIRA... DAMN IT...

AND NOW KIRA RETURNS ...

WHAT'S GOING ON...?

SO AS WE SUSPECTED, HIGUCHI WASN'T KIRA...

NO, IT'S ACCURATE THAT HIGUCHI WAS KILLING THE CRIMINALS UP TO THE TIME HE WAS CAUGHT.

AHHH! WHY...?!

SO THEN ANOTHER KIRA HAS APPEARED ...?

READ THIS WAY

BUT THIS MAKES IT CLEAR THAT THERE REALLY IS ANOTHER NOTEBOOK OUT THERE.

MUNCH

NOW RYUZAKI WILL HAVE TO CONTINUE INVESTI-GATING HERE...

WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING...?

MUST BE... A SHINIGAMI WOULDN'T GO OUT OF HIS WAY TO KILL ONLY CRIMINALS ...

...

RIGHT, REM?

MISA'S LIFE-SPAN HAS BEEN REDUCED AGAIN... THAT MEANS SHE'S TAKEN POSSESSION OF THE NOTE-BOOK AND MADE THE TRADE WITH RYUK...

IT HAS TO BE MISA ...

THE OTHER NOTE-BOOK... THE CRIMI-NALS BEING KILLED ...

OF COURSE RYUZAKI WOULD SUSPECT MISA...

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RYUZAKI, YOU'RE STILL SAYING THAT?

CRUNCH

THIS HAPPENS THE MOMENT AMANE IS FREED...

THOUGH MAYBE HE'S EXPECTING ME TO ASSUME THAT...? CAN'T BE...

RUSTLE

THAT'S TRUE...

IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT TIMING, THEN SAY "THE MOMENT HIGUCHI DIED."

THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MISA. SHE WAS ALREADY SUSPECTED OF BEING THE SECOND KIRA. EVEN IF SHE DID HAVE KIRA'S POWERS, SHE ISN'T STUPID ENOUGH TO USE IT AT A TIME LIKE THIS.

YES, I APOLO-GIZE...

THOSE WHO USE THE NOTEBOOK DIE UNLESS THEY KEEP WRITING PEOPLE'S NAMES. AMANE'S INNO-CENCE HAS BEEN PROVEN BASED ON THAT.

LIGHT'S RIGHT, RYUZAKI. WE NEED TO FORGET ABOUT AMANE.

YES, YOU'RE TOO OBSESSED WITH YOUR THEORIES, RYUZAKI. YOU KEEP TRYING TO GO BACK TO THEM.

...I'LL DEFI-NITELY CATCH THAT PERSON.

WELL, IF THERE'S ANOTHER NOTEBOOK OUT THERE THAT SOMEONE IS USING...

CRACK

WE KNOW HOW THE KILL-ING IS DONE NOW. IF WE FIND SOMEONE SUSPICIOUS, WE APPREHEND THEM AND THOROUGHLY EXAMINE WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAVE THE NOTEBOOK.

YOU'RE RIGHT...

BUT... WE'RE TALK-ING ABOUT A NOTEBOOK THAT KILLS A PERSON IF THEIR NAME IS WRITTEN INTO IT. IF ALL THIS NEW KIRA DOES IS KILL CRIMINALS, IT WON'T BE AS EASY TO LOCATE HIM AS IT WAS WITH HIGUCHI ...

THIS IS GOING EXACTLY AS PLANNED ...

REM IS WORRY-ING ABOUT MISA.

MAYBE NOT THE OTHERS, BUT RYUZAKI SUSPECTS MISA... LIGHT YAGAMI... YOU THINK THIS IS OKAY...?

BUT THAT IS MEANING-LESS TO ME. ONCE THE CASE IS SOLVED, I'LL LET THE COURT SYS-TEM WORRY ABOUT THAT.

NOT UNLESS THE MURDER NOTEBOOK'S EFFECTIVE-NESS IS PROVED...

BUT RYUZAKI... THIS MURDER NOTEBOOK... I BELIEVE IT'S REAL, BUT EVEN IF WE CATCH THE PERSON WRITING NAMES INTO IT, WILL WE BE ABLE TO PUNISH THEM AS A SERIAL KILLER?

WELL... I MEAN... I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT...

MATSUDA... FOR THAT, WE'D HAVE TO INTRODUCE THE NOTEBOOK AS EVIDENCE IN A COURT OF LAW...

WAIT... OF COURSE YOU COULD PUNISH HIM WITHOUT TESTING THE NOTE-BOOK.

EXECU-TION...

THAT'S A HARSH CONCLUSION, BUT I BET THAT'S WHAT OUR SUPERIORS WOULD DEMAND.

IF WE DON'T WANT THE EXISTENCE OF THE NOTEBOOK REVEALED TO THE PUBLIC, THE SUSPECT SHOULD BE EXECUTED IN SECRET.

THE PERSON IS WRITING NAMES DOWN KNOWING IT WILL KILL PEOPLE!

WELL, THAT'S SOMETHING TO WORRY ABOUT ONCE WE CATCH HIM. NO POINT IN THINKING ABOUT IT NOW.

IF HE ACKNOWLEDGES THE KILLINGS HE'S DONE WITH THE NOTEBOOK, HE'LL GET THE DEATH PENALTY OR AT LEAST LIFE IN PRISON. IF HE DOESN'T ACKNOWLEDGE IT, THEN MAYBE FORCE HIM TO WRITE HIS NAME DOWN IN THE NOTEBOOK.

WHAT ARE YOU THINKING, LIGHT YAGAMI... IF MISA IS CAUGHT, YOU'LL ALSO...

YEAH, NO NEED TO THINK ABOUT IT NOW, BUT IT'S SOMETHING I WANTED YOU TO MENTION...

UNBELIEVABLE...

SO THAT'S IT...!

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THAT WON'T CHANGE...

THE EXISTENCE OF THE NOTE-BOOK HAS ALREADY BEEN UNCOVERED. AT THIS RATE, NO MATTER HOW THINGS CONTINUE, MISA WILL BE THE ONE WHO IS EVENTUALLY CAPTURED AS KIRA.

THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT MISA IS KILLING THE CRIMINALS NOW.

I WAS WONDERING WHAT HE'D DO ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE OTHER TASK FORCE MEMBERS HAVE SEEN ME, BUT... IF I DIE... EVERYTHING WRAPS UP PERFECTLY FOR HIM...

AND UNDER THESE CIRCUM-STANCES IF I KILL RYUZAKI, IT WILL DEFINITELY AFFECT MISA'S LIFESPAN, AND I WILL DIE...

LIGHT YAGAMI IS CERTAIN THAT I WILL ACT TO SAVE MISA'S LIFE...

UNDER THESE CIRCUM-STANCES, THE ONLY WAY TO SAVE MISA IS FOR ME TO WRITE RYUZAKI'S NAME INTO MY NOTE-BOOK...

HE KNOWS EVERY-THING... HE HAS IT ALL FIGURED OUT...

...

IF LIGHT YAGAMI DIES, MISA WILL LOSE THE WILL TO LIVE, I KNOW THAT... IN MANY WAYS, LIGHT YAGAMI HAS ALREADY BECOME A PERSON WHO IS NECESSARY FOR MISA TO LIVE...

AND NOW THERE'S NO POINT IN ME KILLING LIGHT YAGAMI. DOING THAT WILL NOT SAVE MISA!... NOT ONLY THAT, THERE WILL BE NOBODY ON MISA'S SIDE AND SHE'LL BE CAPTURED EVEN SOONER...

ACTUALLY, IF THAT HAPPENS... HE AND MISA MAY ACTUALLY TAKE OVER THE WORLD

...

AND ON THE OTHER SIDE, IF RYUZAKI IS GONE FROM THE TASK FORCE, LIGHT YAGAMI WILL BECOME THE ONE WITH THE POWER TO CONTROL THE INVESTIGATION. HE'LL THEN MAKE SURE THAT MISA IS NEVER CAPTURED...

WHAT'S CERTAIN RIGHT NOW IS THAT IF THINGS DON'T CHANGE, RYUZAKI WILL EVENTUALLY CATCH MISA...

AT THIS POINT, THE ONLY PERSON WHO SUSPECTS MISA IS RYUZAKI, AND UNLESS SOMETHING CRAZY HAPPENS, THE OTHER MEMBERS WILL NOT ALLOW HIM TO FOCUS ON HER. AND RYUZAKI REALIZES THIS, TOO...

DON'T YOU WANT HER TO LIVE OUT THE REST OF HER LIFE AS SHE WISHES? YES... JUST AS SHE WISHES.

AND MISA'S LIFESPAN HAS BEEN REDUCED. YOU MUST HAVE SEEN THAT.

YOU MAY BE A SHINIGAMI, BUT I ALREADY KNOW YOU CARE ABOUT MISA.

WHAT WILL YOU DO, REM?

AND IT'S NOT LIKE REVEALING EVERYTHING I KNOW NOW WILL CHANGE ANYTHING FOR MISA. SHE'S GUILTY HERE, SHE'LL BE PUT TO DEATH OR GET LIFE IN PRISON...

...

YOU CAN'T JUST WATCH AS MISA IS KILLED. THINK ABOUT MISA'S HAPPINESS.

BUT AS MORE TIME PASSES, THERE'S NO DOUBT HE'LL CONTINUE CLOSING IN ON HER.

...LIGHT YAGAMI WAS THINKING ABOUT THIS VERY MOMENT

...

SO SINCE THAT DAY...

WHO WILL DIE... MISA OR ME...?

READ THIS WAY

AND THEN WAIT AWHILE AND RESTART THE PUNISHING OF CRIMINALS AND REIGN IN THE NEW WORLD. THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE IDEAL SITUATION.

IF THAT WAS THE CASE, I COULD KILL RYUZAKI ANY TIME I WANTED TO. I COULD SUSPEND THE KILLING OF CRIMINALS FOR A WHILE AND THEN ONCE THE CASE RAN OUT OF STEAM, KILL RYUZAKI.

OBVIOUSLY IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BEST IF MISA HAD REMEMBERED HIDEKI RYUGA'S REAL NAME.

RYUZAKI AND REM DIE... ...THAT'S THE PERFECT SCENARIO!

...IT WOULD HAVE TAKEN AWHILE TO GET BY THE SECURITY SYSTEM HERE. (AND WITH DAD AND THE OTHERS (ABLE TO SEE REM...

I ALSO COULD HAVE HAD MISA SEE RYUZAKI'S NAME WITH HER SHINIGAMI'S EYES, BUT...

KILL HIM WHILE MY DAD AND THE OTHERS STILL BELIEVE MISA IS COMPLETELY INNOCENT.

DO IT BEFORE RYUZAKI CATCHES MISA SLIPPING UP.

NOW REM, KILL RYU-ZAKI!

IT WOULDN'T BE IMPOSSI-BLE!

BARBECUE

I'VE LEARNED SOME THINGS FROM TALKING TO THIS SHINI-GAMI, BUT FOR ALL THE IMPOR-TANT MATTERS, IT'S ALWAYS "I DON'T KNOW"...

AMANE IS FREED AND KIRA RETURNS ...

IF YOU COULD KILL BY WRITING THE NAME ON JUST A PIECE...

YESTERDAY I ASKED IF YOU COULD KILL WITH ONLY A PIECE OF THE NOTEBOOK AND ALL I GOT WAS "I DON'T KNOW"...

READ THIS WAY

ACTUALLY, IF THAT COULD BE DONE, THEN KIRA COULD KILL SOMEONE AT ANY TIME... EVEN HIGUCHI THAT TIME...

THIS MURDER NOTEBOOK... IT WOULD MAKE SENSE IF THERE WAS A PENALTY LIKE THAT... AND LIGHT YAGAMI AND MISA AMANE ARE STILL ALIVE...

HOWEVER... IF YOU DON'T WRITE ANOTHER NAME IN THE NOTEBOOK WITHIN 13 DAYS OF WRITING THE FIRST, YOU DIE.

BUT THE 13 DAYS... IT'S JUST NOT...

IF YOU CAN KILL SOME-ONE BY WRITING ON A PIECE... THEN...

?

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I DON'T CARE WHAT COUNTRY, LET'S CONTACT THEM. THERE SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM IF WE'RE UP-FRONT ABOUT IT.

...

WE'LL HAVE THEM USE THE NOTE-BOOK IN AN EXECUTION.

YEAH, AND WHO'S GONNA WRITE THE NAME DOWN? ONCE YOU START, YOU HAVE TO CONTINU-OUSLY WRITE NAMES IN IT EVERY 13 DAYS, OR YOU DIE!

NO WAY! WE DON'T NEED TO DO THAT. THE POWER OF THE NOTEBOOK IS CLEARLY REAL!

YOU MEAN TO TEST IT?!

READ THIS WAY

RYUZAKI ...

THIS MEANS YOU STILL SUS-PECT MISA AND ME...

...

WE'LL HAVE A CRIMINAL SCHEDULED FOR EXECUTION WITH-IN 13 DAYS WRITE THE NAME DOWN. THE DEAL WILL BE THAT IF THE PERSON LIVES PAST 13 DAYS, THEN HIS DEATH SENTENCE WILL BE COMMUTED...

BUT THAT'S PERFECT ...

AND WITH THAT GONE, THE VIDEO EVIDENCE... THE NOTEBOOK... THE TALKING ABOUT THE EYES AND SHINIGAMI... MISA WILL IMMEDIATELY BE SUSPECTED... AS I THOUGHT, RYUZAKI IS TRY-ING TO MOVE THE INVESTIGATION BACK TO MISA...

DEATH NOTE

IF HE DOES THIS, THE 13-DAY LIE WILL BE EXPOSED AND MISA'S INNO-CENCE BASED ON THE CONFINE-MENT WILL BE OVERTURNED.

WAIT! THIS IS CRAZY!

CLACK

RYU-ZAKI!!

WATARI, CONTACT THE LEADER OF A COUNTRY WHO WOULD AGREE TO THIS.

WATARI... HE WAS WITH RYUZAKI AND LIGHT YAGAMI ON THE WAY BACK HERE...

OBVIOUSLY TO TEST WHETHER THIS MURDER NOTEBOOK WORKS.

WHAT DOES THIS ACCOM-PLISH?!

ZUU...

IF I WANT TO WRITE DOWN THE NAME OF PEOPLE WHOSE DEATHS WOULD LENGTHEN MISA'S REMAIN-ING LIFESPAN... I HAVE UNTIL THE FIRST PERSON DIES... THAT'S 40 SECONDS TO WRITE AS MANY NAMES AS I CAN...

HE'S RYU-ZAKI'S RIGHT-HAND MAN...

AND HE'S PASSED ALONG IMPOR-TANT INFOR-MATION OVER THE COM-PUTER SINCE THEN...

WHAT'S WRONG, WATARI?

CRASH

DEATH NOTE

I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO GO THAT FAR, REM.

WATARI ...?

DEATH NOTE

How to use it

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◦ Humans that have traded for the eye power of a god of death cannot see the name or life-span of humans who have already passed away by looking at their photos.

死神の目を取引した人間は、写真等で既に死んでいる人間の顔を見ても、
名前も寿命も見えない。