LIGHT YAGAMI IS KIRA... THAT IS WHAT L BELIEVED. AND NEAR, WHO GREW UP AT WAMMY'S HOUSE AS L'S HEIR, ALSO BELIEVES THAT...

THAT'S NOT ALL. IF THE WHOLE RULE ABOUT THE WRITER DYING IF THEY DON'T WRITE DOWN ANOTHER NAME WITHIN 13 DAYS IS A LIE...

# chapter 82 Himself

NEAR TOLD ME TO CALL HIM FROM THIS PHONE BOOTH AT 3 O'CLOCK.

WHO do YOU

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SCREE

I'M GEVANNI FROM THE SPK. PLEASE GET IN THE CAR.

VVVR

MR. AIZAWA, I PRESUME.

CLICK

?

WEAR THIS.

READ THIS WAY

"STILL DON'T COMPLETELY TRUST YOU." THAT'S THE SAME FOR ME, TOO.

I'M SORRY, WE STILL DON'T COMPLETELY TRUST YOU. THIS IS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANY TROUBLE LIKE BEFORE.

I THOUGHT THEY WERE SUNGLASSES, BUT IT'S ACTUALLY A BLINDFOLD, HUH?

GEVANNI, PLEASE COME BACK HERE AFTER YOU DRIVE AROUND RANDOMLY FOR ABOUT TWO HOURS.

*I DON'T THINK IT IS POSSIBLE, BUT UN-LIKE MOGI, THERE IS A CHANCE THAT HE'S "MOVING UNDER THE NEW L'S ORDERS." AT WORST, THERE IS EVEN A CHANCE THAT HE'S WORKING FOR KIRA.*

YEAH, I DON'T EVEN HAVE MY CELL PHONE WITH ME.

MR. AIZAWA, I SEE THAT YOU'RE NOT WEARING ANY WIRES AS WE REQUESTED.

DON'T WORRY, LIGHT. I'LL NEVER GIVE ANY INFORMATION TO NEAR.

BEEP

NEAR, HE'S SO BOLD AS TO TRY AND PULL MY INVESTIGATORS TO HIS SIDE WHEN HE KNOWS I'M LISTENING... BUT THE NOTEBOOK HAS ALREADY BEEN PASSED ON TO MIKAMI, AND MISA HAS ABANDONED HER OWNERSHIP OF THE NOTEBOOK. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND ANY EVIDENCE NOW. THE ONLY PLACE THEY CAN GET EVIDENCE FROM IS ME.

IT SEEMS VERY LIKELY THAT MELLO WAS NEARBY WHEN MOGI ENTERED THE SPK HEADQUARTERS. IT'S BEEN SOME TIME SINCE THE SIGHTING, BUT AIZAWA AND I ARE GOING TO SEARCH A LITTLE LONGER FOR PLACES WHERE MELLO MIGHT BE HIDING.

I'VE BEEN ABLE TO FIND AN EYEWITNESS WHO CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN A PERSON WHO LOOKS LIKE MELLO ABOUT 10 DAYS AGO.

WHAT'S THE MATTER, IDE?

HAS AIZAWA MADE HIS MOVE? IF HE HAS, I SHOULDN'T TRY TO PRY INTO IT TOO MUCH. THEY'LL ONLY GET MORE SUSPICIOUS OF ME IF I DO. ACTUALLY, IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO HAVE THEM INVESTIGATE AS THEY PLEASE, AND EVEN CHECK OUT MISA.

OKAY.

NEAR, THEY'VE ARRIVED.

KA-CHANK

PLEASE LET THEM IN.

NO

MR. MOGI, IS THAT MR. AIZAWA?

MOGI!

AIZAWA...

...

WELL, IF YOU CAN ANSWER A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS TRUTHFULLY, THEN I THINK WE'LL BE ABLE TO TAKE THAT OFF.

IT'S NOT MUCH OF A "NICE TO MEET YOU" WHEN I HAVE THIS BLIND-FOLD ON, YOU KNOW.

NICE TO MEET YOU, MR. AIZAWA. I'M NEAR.

I WAS TAILING MOGI, WHO WAS TAKING DIRECTIONS FROM MELLO.

I SEE THAT YOU WERE CLOSE TO THE ORIGINAL SPK HEAD-QUARTERS LOCATION, BUT WHY IS THAT?

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PLEASE TAKE THE BLINDFOLD OFF THEN.

YES. A WIRE TO COMMUNI-CATE, AND A TRANSMITTER TO TELL L MY WHEREABOUTS. I ALSO HAD A CAMERA WITH ME. BUT I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON NOW, LIKE YOU TOLD ME.

DURING THAT TIME, YOU WERE OF COURSE CONNECTED TO L— THE NEW L—WITH A WIRE, RIGHT?

IT IS VERY UNLIKELY THAT YOU MADE A DEAL WITH KIRA AFTER THAT, SO I WILL BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE COME HERE FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF COOPERATING WITH US.

THE FACT THAT YOU HAD A CAMERA MAY MEAN THAT L IS KIRA, WHO WANTED TO SEE MELLO'S FACE. BUT IT ALSO MEANS THAT YOU ARE NOT KIRA'S FOLLOWER WITH THE ABILITY TO KILL PEOPLE JUST BY LOOKING AT THEM.

THE REASON I CAME HERE IS THAT I FELT THAT YOUR ASSUMPTION ISN'T IMPOSSIBLE. BUT SOMETHING DOES BUG ME ABOUT YOUR STORY THAT L IS KIRA.

EVEN THOUGH I'VE COME HERE TO COOPERATE, THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT I COMPLETELY TRUST YOU. AND I'M STILL A MEMBER OF THE JAPANESE TASK FORCE, SO THERE ARE LIMITS TO HOW MUCH I CAN COOPERATE.

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MELLO'S STORY? YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE 13-DAY RULE?

THAT'S RIGHT.

WELL, IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHETHER I CAN BELIEVE IN MELLO'S STORY. I CAN'T SAY ANYTHING UNLESS IT'S REALLY TRUE.

WHY DID IT BUG YOU? WHAT ABOUT IT IS BUGGING YOU?

WHEN I VISITED WAMMY'S HOUSE, THEY TOLD ME ABOUT HOW MELLO AND NEAR WERE COMPETING TO BE L'S HEIR. AND MELLO WAS ALWAYS ONE STEP BEHIND NEAR. BUT WOULD HE GO THAT FAR...?

TO BE CLEAR, MELLO IS TRYING TO GET KIRA BEFORE NEAR DOES.

I AGREE THAT MELLO'S TACTICS ARE OVER THE TOP. BUT IT'S ALL FROM THE DESIRE TO CAPTURE KIRA.

EVERY-BODY AT WAMMY'S HOUSE LONGED TO BE LIKE L.

FOR MELLO AND ME, L WAS OUR IDOL, AND THE ONLY PERSON WORTHY OF RESPECT.

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THEREFORE, WE'LL USE ANY MEANS NECESSARY TO CAPTURE KIRA. DON'T YOU THINK IT'S ONLY NATURAL FOR US TO THINK THAT WAY?

AND IT IS OBVIOUS THAT OUR IDOL, THE PERSON WE RESPECTED, WAS KILLED BY KIRA.

READ THIS WAY

IT'S THE SAME AS WE FELT AFTER THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR WAS KILLED... AND THE CAUSE OF BOTH THOSE DEATHS WAS KIRA...!!

I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW THEY WOULD TAKE ANY MEANS NECESSARY AFTER HAVING L, THEIR IDOL, KILLED ...

ANYBODY WOULD THINK OF THE NOTEBOOK AS A WAY TO CAPTURE KIRA, ONCE THEY FIND OUT THAT IT IS KIRA'S KILLING TOOL.

THEREFORE, MELLO RISKED JOINING THE MAFIA TO USE THEM. AND ALTHOUGH IT WAS OVER THE TOP, HE GOT THE NOTEBOOK.

...BUT IT WAS ALL TO CAPTURE KIRA, OUR HATED ENEMY.

I THINK IT WAS THE WRONG WAY...

THE MAFIA WAS THE PERFECT CHANCE TO TRY THE NOTEBOOK OUT. I'M SURE THAT HE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TO BOTHER WRITING THE NAMES DOWN HIMSELF...

ONCE YOU GET THE NOTEBOOK, YOU WILL DEFINITELY TEST IT OUT.

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AND WHAT IS THAT PROBLEM?

BUT IF THE 13-DAY RULE IS FAKE, A PROBLEM ARISES. IS THAT RIGHT, MR. AIZAWA?

WE WILL NEVER KNOW IF THAT RULE IS FAKE OR NOT UNLESS WE ACTUALLY TEST IT OUT, BUT THE JAPANESE TASKFORCE WON'T ALLOW IT.

AND AFTER 50 DAYS OF CONFINEMENT, THAT PERSON WAS RELEASED, AND THEIR INNOCENCE WAS VERIFIED WHEN WE FOUND OUT ABOUT THE 13-DAY RULE WHEN HIGUCHI WAS CAPTURED.

L PLACED SOME-ONE IN CONFINE-MENT AFTER SUSPECT-ING THEM OF BEING KIRA...

AND THAT PERSON IS...

IF THE 13-DAY RULE ISN'T TRUE... AND IF I AM TO BELIEVE MELLO... THE FACT THAT MELLO IS TRYING TO CAPTURE KIRA MAY NOT NECESSARILY BE A LIE EITHER... I'VE COME THIS FAR... IF IT'S GOING TO MAKE A DIFFER-ENCE, I MAY AS WELL SAY SOME-THING...

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RIGHT.

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...THE PRESENT L.

WELL, TO BE EXACT, THERE WAS ANOTHER PERSON CONFINED, TOO... THE ONE WHO WAS CALLED THE SECOND KIRA.

AH, THE ONE THAT GATHERED A LOT OF ATTENTION WITH SAKURA TV...

RIGHT?

READ THIS WAY

I THINK IT'S A LITTLE PREMATURE TO SAY THAT THEY'RE GUILTY BECAUSE L CONFINED THEM.

THE FACT THAT L CONFINED THOSE TWO IS PROOF ENOUGH...

IF THE 13-DAY RULE IS FAKE, THEN THAT'S IT. THOSE TWO ARE THE GUILTY ONES...

KIRA'S KILLINGS DIDN'T STOP EVEN THOUGH THEY HAD BEEN CONFINED FOR MORE THAN 50 DAYS WITHOUT EVEN BEING ABLE TO MOVE THEIR HANDS FREELY. IT'S ONLY NATURAL TO ASSUME THAT THEY WERE NOT KIRA, AND THEREFORE SHOULD BE FREED.

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VERY WELL. BUT WHY DID YOU RELEASE THEM AFTER CONFINING THEM FOR MORE THAN 50 DAYS? ACCORDING TO YOUR STORY, THE 13-DAY RULE CAME OUT AFTER THEY WERE RELEASED.

NO. L GOT DEPUTY DIRECTOR YAGAMI, WHO WAS THE CHIEF BACK THEN, TO PUT ON AN ACT.

AND DID L SIMPLY CONSENT TO IT?

YES. WE FORCED L TO...

AND IT WASN'T L WHO BROUGHT UP THE IDEA OF FREEING THEM, RIGHT?

...!

AND ON THE WAY, CHIEF YAGAMI PULLED HIS GUN OUT AND POINTED IT AT THEM, SAYING, "I'M GOING TO KILL KIRA, AND THEN KILL MYSELF."

CHIEF YAGAMI RELEASED THEM, AND L TOLD THEM THAT "WE HAVE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT YOU TWO ARE KIRA AND THE SECOND KIRA" AND THAT THEY WERE BOTH GOING TO BE EXECUTED...

BACK THEN, YOU DIDN'T KNOW OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE NOTE-BOOK, SO IF THOSE TWO DIDN'T HAVE THE NOTE-BOOK WITH THEM, THAT ACT WAS MEAN-INGLESS...

YES, NOW THAT I THINK OF IT, YOU'RE RIGHT.

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IF THEY WERE TRULY KIRA AND THE SECOND KIRA, WE ASSUMED THAT THEY'D KILL THE CHIEF, IF THEY WERE PRESSED THAT FAR. AND THAT'S HOW WE DECIDED THAT THEY WERE INNOCENT.

KIRA USED THE CONFINEMENT AS A WAY TO PROVE HIMSELF INNOCENT.

KIRA REALLY IS SOME-THING...

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IF PEOPLE SAW THE 13-DAY RULE BEFORE THAT, THEN IT WOULD HAVE LOOKED FAKE. THEREFORE, KIRA PREDICTED THE CONFINEMENT, AND WROTE THE FAKE 13-DAY RULE WITHIN THE REAL RULES.

OBVIOUSLY, EVERYBODY SAW THE RULES WRITTEN IN THE NOTE-BOOK AFTER CAPTURING HIGUCHI.

WHAT'S THE REASONING BEHIND THAT?

THEN KIRA GAVE THE NOTEBOOK TO SOME-BODY ELSE AND WAITED FOR L TO CAPTURE THAT PERSON AND READ THE NOTE-BOOK...

*IS THAT POSSIBLE ...?*

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THEN KIRA GOT THE SHINIGAMI TO WRITE IT, OR BORROWED SOMETHING TO WRITE IT WITH.

B-BUT THE RULES INSIDE THE NOTE-BOOK WERE WRITTEN WITH A SUBSTANCE THAT DOESN'T EXIST ON EARTH.

COME TO THINK OF IT, LIGHT WILLINGLY VOLUN-TEERED TO BE CONFINED...

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BY SOME CHANCE, DID THE KIRA SUSPECT VOLUNTARILY COME OUT AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO CARRY OUT THE CONFINEMENT?

AFTER BEING FREED, LIGHT WAS FORCED TO BE WITH L 24-7, AND ASSISTED IN CAPTURING KIRA-HIGUCHI! NO, NOT JUST ASSISTED. LIGHT WAS PRACTICALLY ON THE SAME LEVEL AS L. IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN NEAR'S ASSUMPTION IS... CAN IT BE...? IS IT REALLY LIGHT YAGAMI...?

THAT SUSPECT BELIEVED IN L, AND WAITED FOR L TO CAPTURE HIGUCHI AND READ THE FAKE 13-DAY RULE IN THE NOTE-BOOK. AS IT HAPPENS, THE SUSPECT WAS FREED BEFORE THE NOTEBOOK SURFACED, BUT EVEN IF YOU HADN'T FREED THE SUSPECT, THE OUT-COME WOULD HAVE BEEN THE SAME.

IF THE SUSPECT ENCOURAGED YOU TO DO SO, THEN IT CLOSES THE CASE.

THAT'S RIGHT. BUT ONCE I START CENTERING MY INVESTIGATIONS ON THE SUSPECTS WHO WERE CONFINED, THEN I'LL SURELY...

B-BUT NEAR, WHAT YOU JUST SAID IS ALL ASSUMP-TION, AND THERE'S NO PROOF.

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SO... WHO ARE THESE TWO PEOPLE?

I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T TELL YOU THAT. AS I SAID BEFORE, I'VE ONLY COME HERE AS A MEMBER OF THE JAPANESE TASKFORCE, AND I WORK UNDER L.

OKAY...

THEN CAN YOU TELL ME EVERYTHING EXCEPT THE NAMES?

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL THE VALUABLE INFORMATION. YOU TWO MAY GO BACK NOW.

LOOK, I THANKED YOU FOR ALL THE VALUABLE INFORMA-TION YOU GAVE ME.

NOW THAT YOU'VE HEARD OUR STORY, IT'S "GOODBYE" FOR US...?

IS THAT ALL...?

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I DON'T KNOW HOW IT IS NOW, BUT AT THE BEGINNING, KIRA DIDN'T MAKE A DEAL FOR THE EYES, AND THE SECOND KIRA DID. THAT I AM SURE OF...

ESPECIALLY THE PART ABOUT THE SHINIGAMI, AND THE SHINIGAMI EYE THAT THE HOLDER OF THE NOTEBOOK CAN GET BY PAYING HALF OF THEIR REMAINING LIFE-SPAN. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I HEARD ABOUT IT, AND WAS VERY USEFUL.

READ THIS WAY

RIGHT.

BUT...

IT'S GOING TO BE HARD TO INVESTIGATE THE NEW L, SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO INVESTIGATE THE SECOND KIRA SUSPECT. IF I CAN GET THE NOTE-BOOK DURING THE PROCESS, THAT WILL BE HARD EVIDENCE THAT THEY ARE KIRA.

I ALSO FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO GET SOMEBODY WHO DIDN'T SPEAK DURING MORE THAN 50 DAYS OF CONFINEMENT TO MAKE A CONFESSION.

NOW THAT I'VE CALLED ON YOU AND THE OTHERS WITH THE NEW L LISTENING, I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO FIND THE NOTEBOOK EVEN IF THE NEW L IS KIRA, AND THE SECOND KIRA IS EXECUTING THE KILLINGS.

NOT FOR THE TIME BEING. I APOLOGIZE FOR TALKING SO BIG. IF THERE IS ANYTHING, I WILL CALL UPON YOU ONCE MORE, SO PLEASE CONTACT ME SECRETLY AT THE NEW PHONE NUMBER I JUST GAVE YOU.

THEN THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT?

NOW THAT THE WORLD HAS CHANGED, KIRA CAN EASILY FIND SOMEBODY ELSE TO DO THE KILLINGS.

ANYWAY, I DON'T THINK THAT KIRA WOULD LET THE SECOND KIRA KEEP KILLING CRIMINALS AFTER BEING UNDER SO MUCH SUSPICION.

ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, NEAR? YOU DIDN'T GET THE MOST IMPORTANT PART.

NO, IT'S FINE. I DON'T WANT TO GET TOO INVOLVED WITH THEM JUST YET.

I'M SORRY, YOU MUST WEAR THE BLIND-FOLD.

GEVANNI, PLEASE DRIVE THEM TO THE STATION OR THE AIRPORT. I FEEL BAD FOR THE JAPANESE TASKFORCE THAT I'VE KEPT THEM HERE FOR SO LONG.

WHAT?

AND THERE IS ONE IMPORTANT THING I NOW KNOW.

BUT AS YOU SAID, SINCE THE TWO DIDN'T HAVE THE NOTEBOOK WITH THEM, IT'S INSIGNIFICANT. ISN'T IT?

THERE-FORE...

NO, THE IMPORTANT PART IS ***"I'LL KILL KIRA, AND THEN KILL MYSELF."***

THAT CHEESY STUNT THAT "PROVED" THE SUSPECTS' INNOCENCE... DO YOU REMEMBER? I DISCOVERED IT FROM THAT.

READ THIS WAY

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR YAGAMI AND THE KIRA SUSPECT ARE RELATED.

THAT'S THE ONLY PLAUSIBLE EXPLANATION.

TO GO AS FAR AS SAYING "I'LL KILL KIRA AND THEN KILL MYSELF"...

ROLL

THEREFORE, THE NEW L, AND THE PERSON I SUSPECT OF BEING KIRA, IS ***LIGHT YAGAMI.***

HE WOULD HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO ASSIST THE JAPANESE TASKFORCE, AND THEN TO BECOME THE PRESENT L. IT'S DEFINITELY HIM.

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# DEATH NOTE

## How to use it

## LV

- In occasions where the cause and situation of death is written before the victim s name, multiple names can be written as long as they are written within 40 seconds and the causes and situations of the death are not impossible to occur.

死因や死の状況を先に記しておき名前を後から記す場合、
その名前が複数でも40秒以内に記せば何人でも、
その死因や状況に不可能がなければその通りになる。

- In the occasion where the cause of death is possible but the situation is not, only the cause of death will take effect for that victim. If both the cause and the situation are impossible, that victim will die of heart attack.

死因は可能だが状況は不可能である名前がある場合、
その名前に対しては死因のみが適用され、双方が不可能な名前があれば、
その人間は心臓麻痺となる。