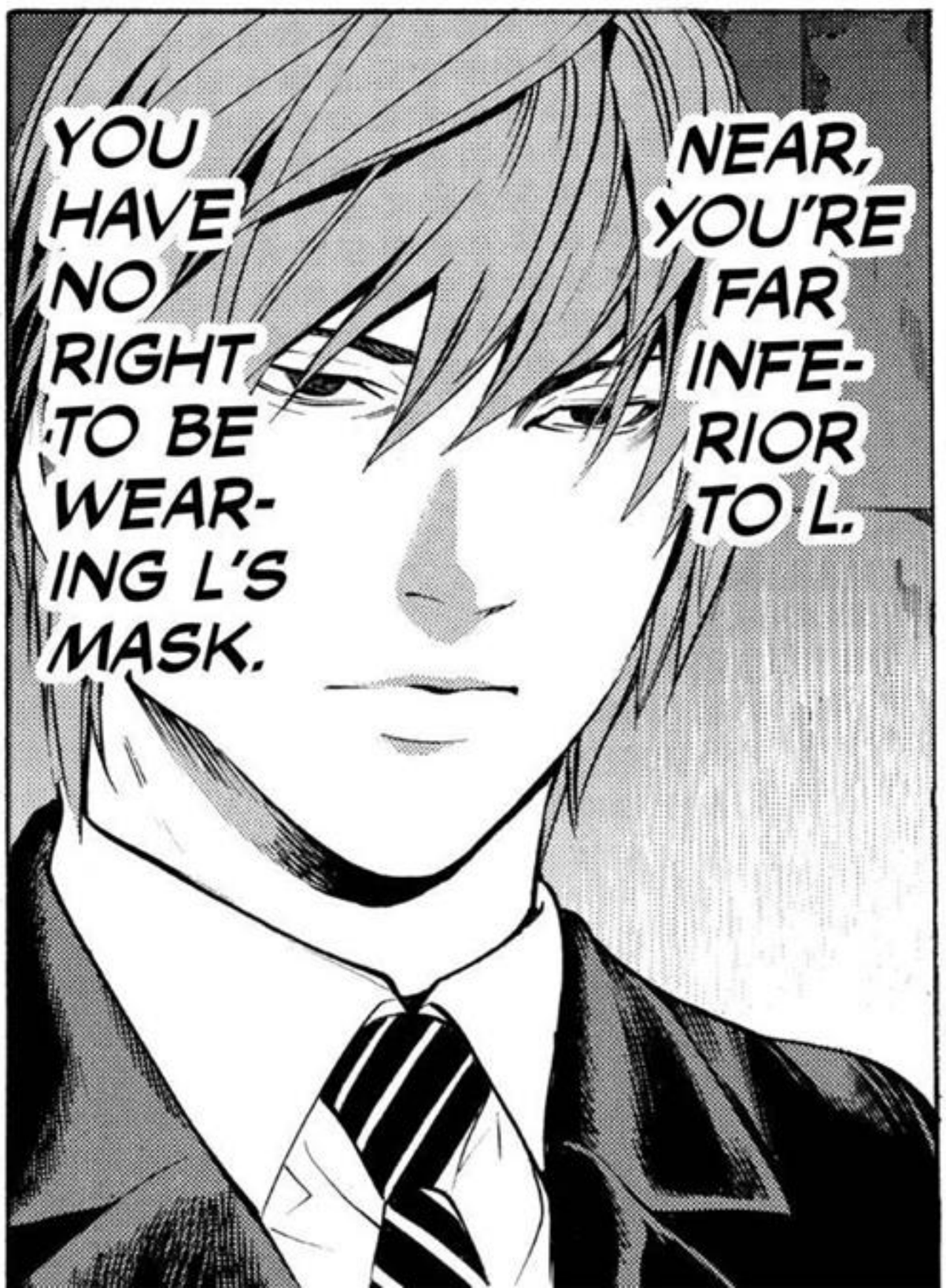
chapter 101 Inducement




YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO BE WEARING L'S MASK.
NEAR, YOU'RE FAR INFERIOR TO L.


KIRA WILL MEET HIS DOOM HERE, TODAY.
LIGHT YAGAMI ...KIRA. THIS IS IT.

THEY DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME... I KNOW THAT'S NEAR. HE'S WEARING THE MASK BECAUSE HE IS THE REAL ONE.

AIZAWA... MOGI, WHETHER THIS IS THE REAL NEAR OR NOT IS OF NO INTEREST TO ME.

YES. I WAS WITH NEAR EVEN BEFORE HE PUT THE MASK ON, SO I ASSURE YOU, IT'S HIM.

L... THOSE FOUR ARE THE SPK... AND THE ONE WITH THE MASK IS NEAR, I'M SURE OF IT.

BUT HE WAS TALKING SO MUCH ABOUT SEEING YOU FACE TO FACE. IT DOESN'T SEEM FAIR!

MATSUDA, NEAR THINKS I'M KIRA, SO IT CAN'T BE HELPED.

WAIT A MINUTE. I DON'T CARE WHO HE ACCUSES OF BEING KIRA— BUT THAT MASK PROVES THAT HE'S TRYING TO PROTECT ONLY HIMSELF!

IF NEAR DOESN'T TAKE THE MASK OFF, IT MEANS THAT HE ISN'T GOING ALONG WITH THE PLAN I ASSUMED HE MADE. NO, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. HE WILL DEFINITELY REMOVE THE MASK...

I'M TELLING YOU, NEAR HAS HIS OWN IDEAS ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON HERE, SO IT'S NOT GOING TO HELP IF WE COMPLAIN ABOUT IT. LET'S JUST GET ON WITH THIS.

INSUR-ANCE?

THIS MASK...

...IS JUST INSURANCE.

OF COURSE, THIS IS ALL ASSUMING THAT L IS KIRA... SO, SINCE THE PLACE AND TIME FOR OUR MEETING WAS DECIDED UPON THREE DAYS AGO...

BUT THERE IS A POSSI-BILITY THAT EVERYBODY ELSE'S FACE IS KNOWN TO THESE INDIVIDUALS IN QUESTION.

I AM CONFIDENT THAT BOTH KIRA AND THE PERSON BEING ORDERED TO DO THE KILLINGS— X-KIRA—DO NOT KNOW MY FACE.

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...THERE IS A CHANCE THAT EVERYONE ELSE'S NAME, EXCLUDING MINE, MAY ALREADY BE WRITTEN DOWN IN THE NOTE-BOOK, TO BE KILLED.

KIRA

THOUGH IT IS MY HYPOTHESIS THAT THE KIRA HERE DOES NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO KILL JUST FROM LOOKING AT OUR FACES.

IF THAT WERE TO HAPPEN, ONLY KIRA AND I WOULD BE LEFT, AND ALL KIRA WOULD HAVE TO DO IS WRITE MY NAME IN THE NOTEBOOK THAT MR. AIZAWA HAS WITH HIM RIGHT NOW.

HE'S RIGHT. IF LIGHT IS KIRA, THEN IT IS POSSIBLE, ESPECIALLY FOR US, THE JAPANESE INVESTI-GATION TEAM, WHO HAVE BECOME EXPEND-ABLE.

WH-WHAT, SO YOU'RE WAITING TO SEE IF WE DIE?!

SO PLEASE, GIVE ME AN HOUR—NO, 30 MINUTES— TO BE SURE THAT NO ONE HERE IS ALREADY MARKED TO DIE BY THE NOTEBOOK.

WHY DON'T I CHECK TO BE SURE...

NEAR MIGHT BE TELLING THE TRUTH, AND HE'S PROBABLY CONSIDERED THE POSSIBILITY OF ENDING UP ALONE WITH ME, BUT HE KNOWS THAT I DON'T HAVE THE EYES. THIS IS JUST TO BUY SOME TIME TO PUT OUR PLANS INTO ACTION. NEAR IS FULLY AWARE THAT MIKAMI IS GOING TO MAKE HIS MOVE SOON, NOW THAT THEY'VE STOPPED TRACKING HIM.

THAT'S OKAY. WE'LL LET NEAR DO AS HE LIKES. IF NOT, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO CLEAR THINGS UP.

THAT...

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WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IS WHAT YOU WERE GOING TO SHOW ME PERTAINING TO THE KIRA CASE.

NEAR, I BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE, IN FACT, THE REAL NEAR, AND I CARE LITTLE ABOUT THE FACE BEHIND THE MASK.

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THINGS ARE TURNING OUT EXACTLY AS I THOUGHT THEY WOULD.

NEAR...I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD BE SO HARD TO KEEP MYSELF FROM LAUGHING.

...CAN ONLY BE REVEALED TO YOU AFTER I TAKE MY MASK OFF.

YES.

HE MEANS THAT HE'S GOING TO TAKE IT OFF ONCE HE MAKES SURE THAT EVERYBODY REMAINS ALIVE.

YOU CAN'T SHOW THE EVIDENCE TO US UNLESS YOU TAKE THE MASK OFF, BUT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TAKE IT OFF? AREN'T YOU CONTRADICTING YOURSELF?

VERY WELL... IT SEEMS THAT YOU ARE ALL SAFE.

I'LL GO AHEAD AND TAKE THE MASK OFF THEN.

OF COURSE. THAT'S BECAUSE KIRA ISN'T HERE.

NEAR, IT'S BEEN MORE THAN 30 MINUTES NOW, AND NOTHING'S HAPPENED.

OKAY, SO NOW THAT YOU'VE TAKEN THE MASK OFF, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO SHOW US?

MATSUDA, DON'T RUSH HIM.

BUT YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WAIT AGAIN.

I'M SORRY.

WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?

WAIT AGAIN?!

X-KIRA...

IDIOT...

THE ONE WHO'LL SOLVE EVERY-THING?

FOR THE ONE WHO'LL SOLVE EVERY-THING TO ARRIVE.

THEREFORE, THIS VERY IMPORTANT PERSON WILL COME THROUGH THAT DOOR, OR AT LEAST TRY TO PEEK THROUGH IT.

THIS BUILDING IS COMPLETELY SEALED. THE ONLY WAY TO LOOK INSIDE IS TO OPEN THAT DOOR RIGHT THERE.

I ASSURE YOU THAT THIS PERSON WILL COME. SO WE MUST WAIT.

THAT'S RIGHT. SO THE PERSON COMING IS X-KIRA, KIRA'S LOYAL FOLLOWER, WHO LEARNED ABOUT OUR LOCATION FROM NONE OTHER THAN KIRA HIMSELF.

WHO'S GOING TO COME...?

THIS MEETING WAS KEPT A SECRET FROM EVERYBODY EXCEPT THOSE WHO ARE HERE RIGHT NOW.

MR. AIZAWA.

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THEN X-KIRA WILL COME. KIRA USED TAKADA TO CONTACT X-KIRA.

YOU KEPT AN EYE ON L EVEN AFTER TAKADA DIED, RIGHT?

YEAH.

BUT MELLO'S KIDNAPPING OF TAKADA WAS A SURPRISE FOR BOTH L AND MYSELF. WITH TAKADA DEAD, L COULD NO LONGER CONTACT X-KIRA, AND WAS UNABLE TO CALL HIS PLAN OFF. HMM...NO, IT WOULD BE MEANINGLESS FOR HIM TO CALL EVERYTHING OFF. THE THOUGHT WOULD HAVE NEVER CROSSED HIS MIND BECAUSE HE DID NOT WANT TO INTERFERE WITH HIS PLAN OR MINE.

THE NIGHT WE DECIDED WHERE AND WHEN TO MEET, L MET TAKADA, AND TAKADA RELAYED THE INFORMATION TO X-KIRA. I AM COMPLETELY SURE OF THIS.

SO OBVIOUSLY, THIS PERSON IS COMING UNDER KIRA'S ORDERS.

NO, BECAUSE THE PERSON WE'RE WAITING FOR IS THE PERSON CURRENTLY IN CHARGE OF CARRYING OUT KIRA'S JUDGMENTS.

YEAH, IF A THIRD PARTY IS REALLY GOING TO SHOW UP HERE, ISN'T IT MORE LIKELY THAT YOU'RE THE ONE BEHIND IT ALL?

WHY DO YOU ASSUME THAT L IS KIRA?

THAT'S RIGHT, NEAR.

AND THEN, AFTER LOOKING AT MY FACE, WILL WRITE DOWN MY NAME.

YES, THIS PERSON WILL BRING THE NOTE-BOOK FOR SURE...

HEY, WAIT A MINUTE. IF THIS PERSON IS THE ONE DOING THE KILLINGS, DO YOU MEAN TO SAY THEY'RE GOING TO BRING THE NOTEBOOK?

NO, RATHER BY HAVING HIM TRY TO KILL ME.

SO YOU'RE GOING TO PROVE THAT THIS PERSON IS KIRA'S HENCH-MAN BY BEING KILLED?!

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...THEN HE OR SHE WOULD NEED TO KILL EVERY-BODY HERE, SINCE WE ALL KNOW ABOUT THE NOTE-BOOK.

IF X-KIRA IS GOING TO KILL YOU...

YES?

WAIT A MINUTE, NEAR.

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THAT'S RIGHT. IT WOULD BE THE PERFECT VICTORY FOR KIRA, NOT TO MENTION THE SOLE REASON KIRA AGREED TO THIS MEETING IN THE FIRST PLACE.

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THAT'S RIGHT.

KIRA

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AND YOU'RE ASKING US TO JUST STAND HERE AND WATCH?

I...I DON'T GET IT. WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THAT THIRD PARTY IS GOING TO BRING THE NOTEBOOK HERE TO KILL US?

KIRA

NO.

THAT'S RIDICULOUS...! THEN YOU'LL BE PLAYING RIGHT INTO KIRA'S HANDS. WE'RE GOING TO LOSE NO MATTER WHAT WE DO.

IF YOU DO AS I SAY, WE WILL WIN WITHOUT A DOUBT.

WE WILL WIN.

SO, IF X-KIRA ENTERS THROUGH THAT DOOR, I WANT YOU ALL TO LET HIM IN...

...AND IF THAT DOOR OPENS, HOWEVER SLIGHTLY, I WANT YOU ALL TO PRETEND NOT TO NOTICE IT.

NEAR ...

AIZAWA... STAY OUT OF THIS...

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO PROPOSED THE IDEA THAT WE ALL MEET HERE, AND NOW, YOU'RE ASKING EVERYBODY TO HAVE THEIR NAMES WRITTEN DOWN IN THE NOTE-BOOK... IT'S ONLY NATURAL FOR US TO THINK THAT...

NEAR... YOU'RE MAKING IT SOUND AS IF YOU'RE ACTUALLY KIRA...

TH-THIS IS RIDICU-LOUS...

...

...I'LL DO AS YOU SAY.

H-HEY, AIZAWA. WHAT DO YOU MEAN? I DON'T GET IT.

BUT...

HE'S ALREADY HERE.

MOGI...

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I'M WITH AIZAWA.

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YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND, GOD.

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