

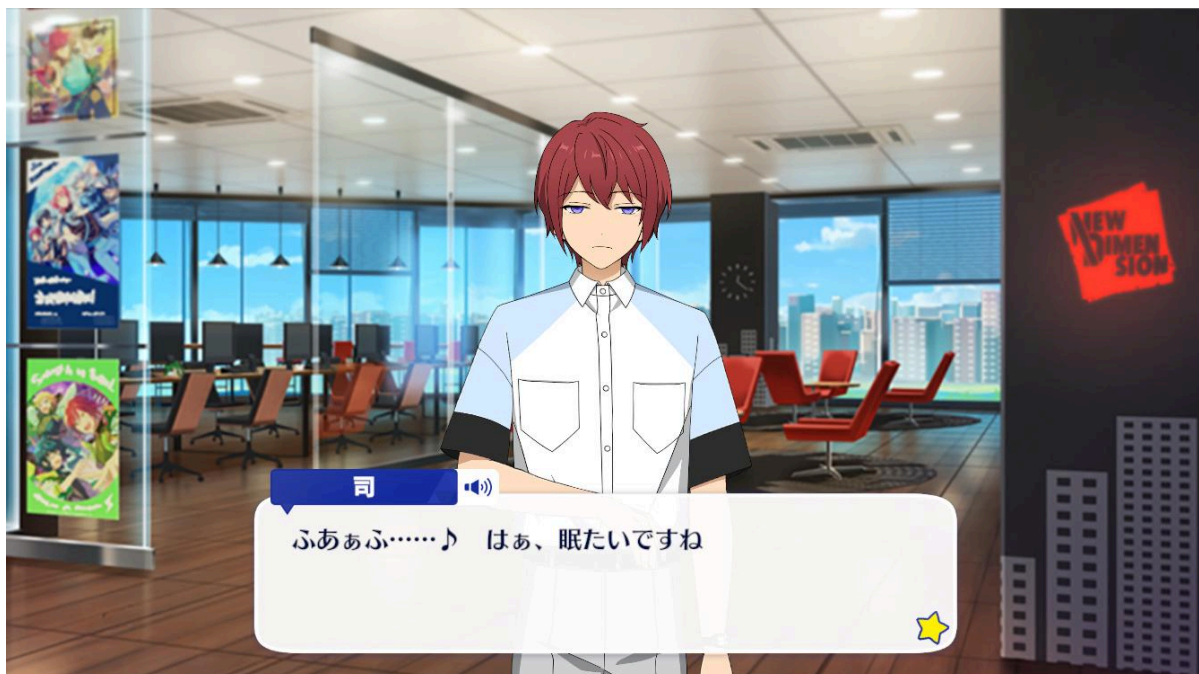
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Tsukasa Suou - Concerning Sleepwalk

Part One



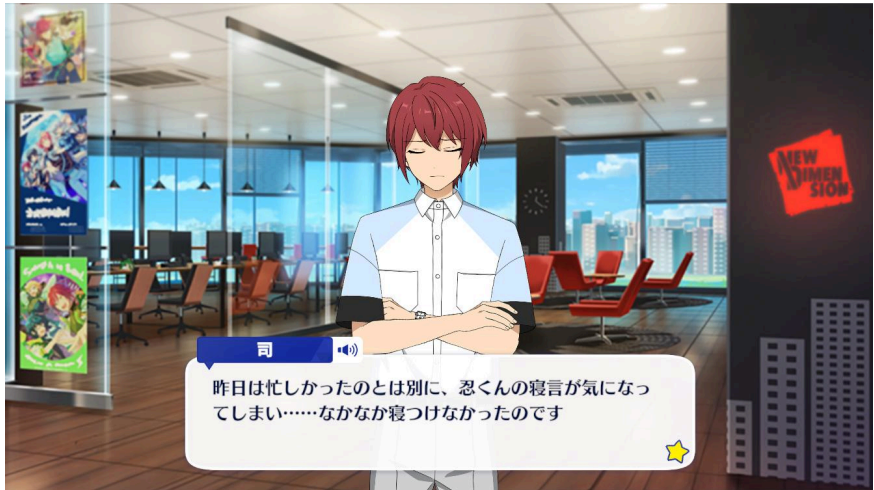
Tsukasa: (yawn)... ♪ Hahh, I'm sleepy.

O-oneesama!? Pardon me for my unsightly state...!

Uuh, I've been very busy these days so I'm a little sleep-deprived...

<i>"Don't push yourself too hard, alright?"</i> Tsukasa: Of course! Taking care of one's health is part of an idol's work. Besides, I'm heading back to the dorms early today so I should be able to get a good night's sleep.	<i>"You're not unsightly."</i> Tsukasa: Yawning is natural, you say? I suppose that's true, but... I wish for oneesama to see the Tsukasa that's perfect at all times.	<i>"Shouldn't you take a nap?"</i> Tsukasa: Thank you for your concern. However, I do not require a nap at this moment. Speaking with oneesama makes my sleepiness fly away ♪
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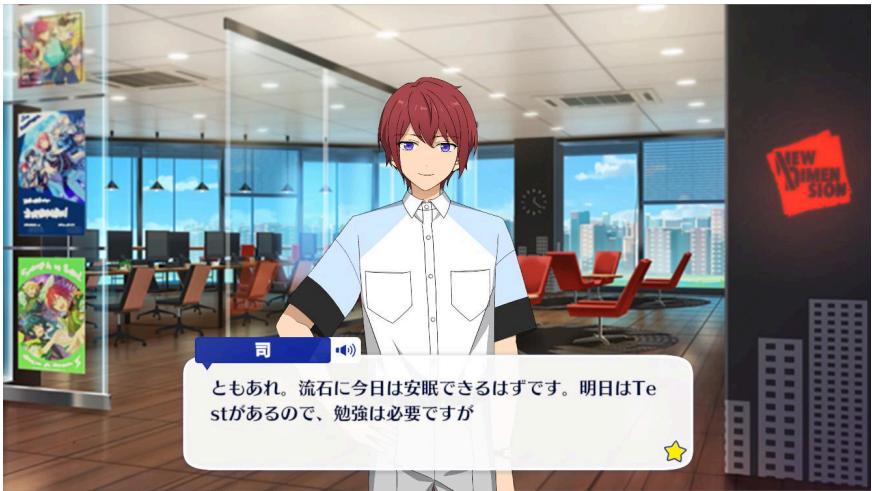
Tsukasa: Other than being busy yesterday, I was a bit concerned about Shinobu-kun's sleepwalking... I wasn't able to fall asleep easily.

I heard something like "Ninjas will conquer the world"...

Shinobu-kun... may be hatching some kind of plot?

<i>"That sounds concerning."</i> Tsukasa: Right? Well, I don't see him as the kind of person who would enact such a nefarious scheme. I think I'll ask him about his dream when I get back to our room.	<i>"Isn't it cute?"</i> Tsukasa: Hm, it's cute sleep talk...? Nowadays, there seem to be <i>applications</i> that can record sleep talking, so maybe I should try and see whether I sleep talk or not.	<i>"That sounds interesting."</i> Tsukasa: He seemed to have been watching a movie right before bed, so maybe that's the reason why. Fufu, a world ruled by ninjas... I am a little interested in seeing it too.
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Tsukasa: In any case, I should be able to sleep soundly tonight. Well, I have a *test* tomorrow so I need to study.

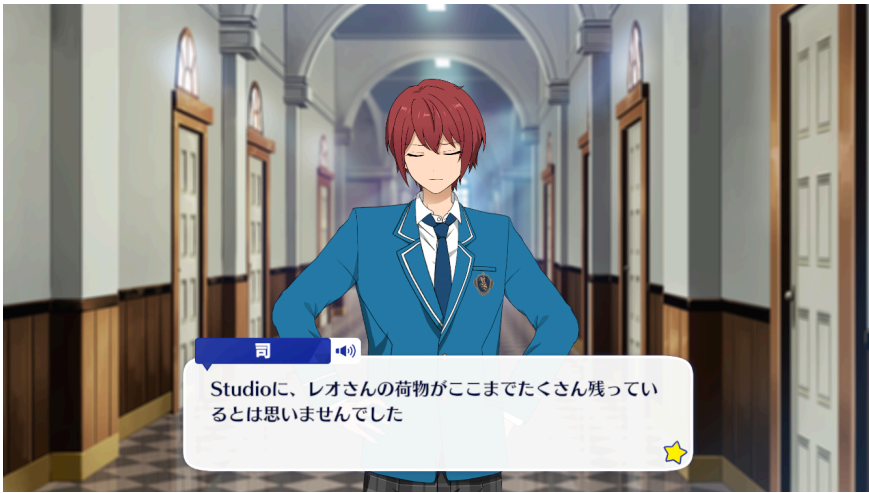
...Hm? Is my studying going alright?

Of course! I study diligently every day!

<i>"Really?"</i> Tsukasa: Yes-! Why are you doubting me, oneesama!? Urgh, and here I was thinking that you would praise me. How saddening...	<i>"As expected of you."</i> Tsukasa: Fufun, there's no way I could get an embarrassing test score as the <i>leader</i> of Knights. Rather, I'm always working to maintain my good grades ♪	<i>"That's a relief."</i> Tsukasa: Thank you for worrying about me. You ended up seeing me in an imperfect state today, but I shall show you my usual knightly self when we next meet... ♪
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Tsukasa Suou - Things Left Behind

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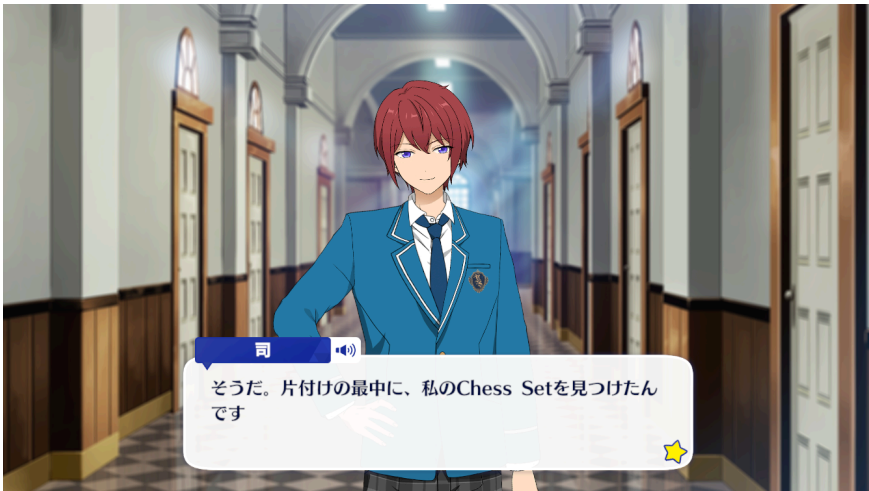
Tsukasa: I didn't think that there would still be so much of Leo-san's belongings in the *studio*.

Good grief. I told him countless times to clean up by graduation too.

Anyway, now that we've gotten permission, let's dispose of all the unnecessary clutter. I'm very sorry that you ended up helping me with this.

<i>"Don't sweat it."</i> Tsukasa: Fufu. As always, onesama is a kind person. I'm sure that it would've taken twice as long to clean up if I were alone.	<i>"Are we really going to throw it all away?"</i> Tsukasa: Yes. I do feel that it's a bit of a shame, but he told me that he wanted it thrown out. I've put aside everything that Leo-san might need so there's no problem!	<i>"I guess he wasn't able to finish cleaning up."</i> Tsukasa: I wonder about that. Most of the items were unwanted from what I could tell... It must have been a hassle, right?
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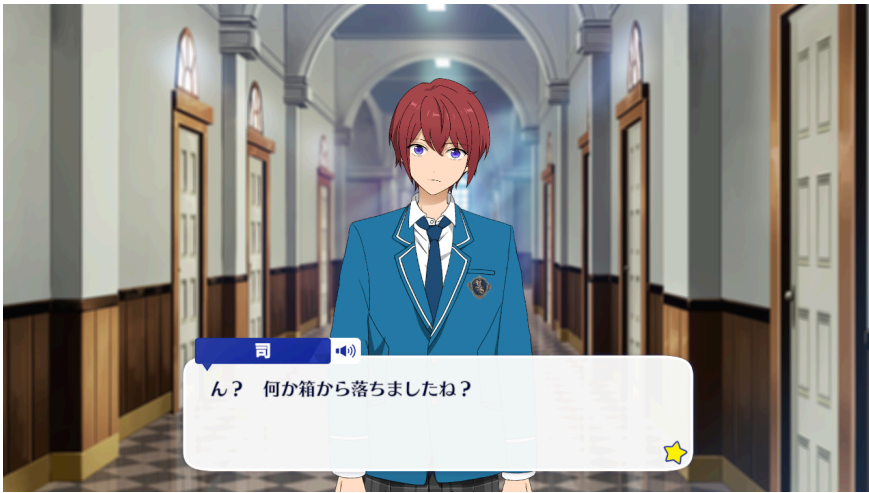
Tsukasa: That's right, I found my *chess set* while cleaning up.

I hadn't seen it recently so I thought that somebody might have taken it home on accident.

Since we have the time... Why don't we play a game again, oneesama?

<i>"I'm no longer a beginner, you know?"</i> Tsukasa: Fufu, in other words... you've long surpassed the level of grasping the <i>rules</i>. Please show me what you've got, oneesama ♪	<i>"I won't hold back on you."</i> Tsukasa: Of course. There is no need for you to let me win. Let us have a serious, heart-pounding match... ♪	<i>"I want you go see how far I've grown."</i> Tsukasa: Fufu. I think that kind of attitude is appealing on you, oneesama... ♪ "Don't you love me?" ...? Uuh, you're making fun of me!?
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Part Three



Tsukasa: Hm? Something just fell out of that box, right?

This *pen*... I think it's one of Leo-san's personal belongings. He often used it to write his compositions.

He might've taken a liking to it so I'll return it to him after this.

<i>"You've been watching closely, haven't you."</i> Tsukasa: That seems to be the case. It might be that I can recall the pen thanks to having followed it along while watching to see what kind of songs Leo-san was writing. Also, Hasumi-senpai would fly into a rage if Leo-san's scribbles were oil-based and difficult to clean, so we used to have to check for that as well...	<i>"That would be good."</i> Tsukasa: Yes. Leo-san is returning to the country just in time tomorrow so I'll hand it over to him then. Well, there is a chance that he'll say that he doesn't need it...	<i>"That reminds me..."</i> Tsukasa: Leo-san called you to see him tomorrow? Is that so? What is it for? I'm a little curious.
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Arashi Narukami - Plans For a Tea Party

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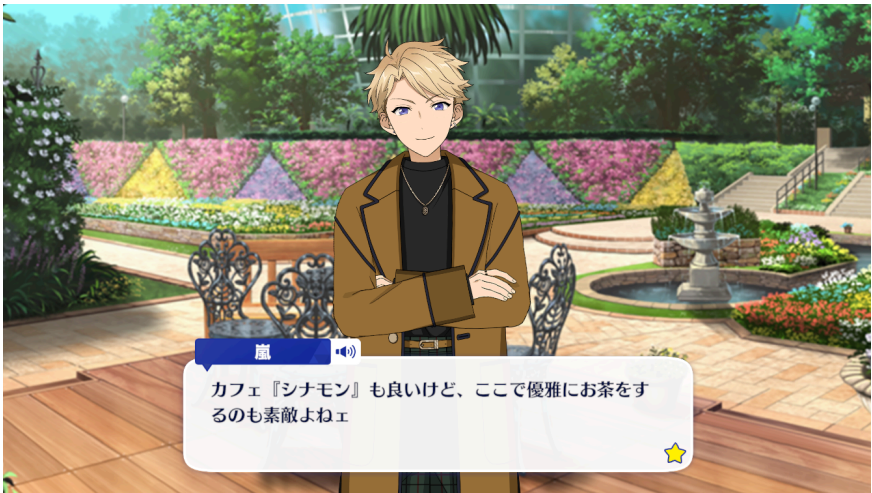
Arashi: Ufufu, isn't the weather lovely today... ♪

I came here because it seemed like a nice breeze, but I didn't think that I'd find you basking in the sun, Anzu-chan!

Do you often come here to catch a break?

<i>"I come here once in a while."</i> Arashi: Huh, so you come here when you want some fresh air. Am I getting in the way? ...Rather, you'd like to have a chat with me? Well then, let's talk lots ♪	<i>"It's my favourite spot, you know."</i> Arashi: I can totally understand why you'd take a liking to this place. It's surprisingly uncrowded and relaxing here. Everyone tends to go to the Sky Garden so this place might be a hidden gem ♪	<i>"It's only for today."</i> Arashi: You just happened to be in the mood to go outside...? Then it's the same here. Let's spend some leisurely time together, my chance encounter... ♪
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Part Two



Arashi: Cafe Cinnamon is also nice, but it'd be wonderful to elegantly have tea here.

I'm going to name it 'Flower Tea Party' ♪

Shall I invite Tsukasa-chan and Ritsu-chan this time?

<i>"You'd need to prepare parasols."</i> Arashi: Fufu. A picnic-style tea party with a cute cloth laid down? Leisurely stretching our legs and drinking tea while feeling the spring breeze... Just imagining it feels fun!	<i>"Seems like fun."</i> Arashi: Right? We'd have Ritsu-chan's handmade sweets and confections from Tsukasa-chan's recommended patisseries. And I'll prepare delectable tea~ Anzu-chan, you simply must come ♪	<i>"Can I join you?"</i> Arashi: Of course! Rather, I was speaking under the assumption that you'd be there? If you have any snack or tea suggestions, please bring them along ♪
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Part 3



Arashi: By the way, is there something that's bothering you?

It's just my intuition, but you looked a little out of it.

I don't mean to pry if you don't want to tell me. But if talking about it can take some weight off your shoulders, you don't have to hold back, okay?

<i>"At work..."</i> Arashi: I see, so you weren't able to do a good job with advancing a meeting you were entrusted with. I think you should have more confidence in yourself, Anzu-chan. It's the same as when a show can't proceed because its host is hesitant. You've got to puff out your chest more ♪	<i>"At school..."</i> Arashi: You got a bad test score and have to take supplementary lessons... I see. We can't change the past, so you'll just have to work hard to get a good result next time, right?	<i>"I don't have any particular worries."</i> Arashi: Ara, that's good to hear ♪ My intuition missed the mark but it's a relief. Worrying all on your own doesn't just affect your mind, it's bad for your body too. Come to your big sister for advice if anything comes up, alright?
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Arashi Narukami - Your Desired Form

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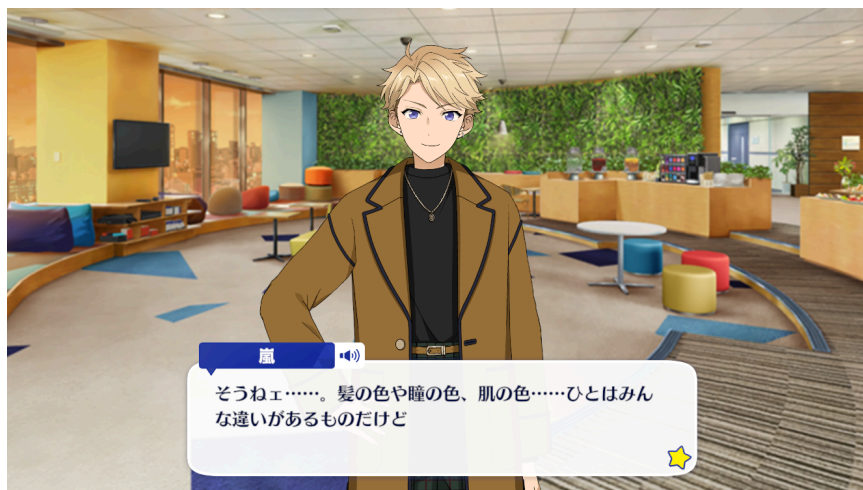
Arashi: Hm? Oh, I'm reading a fashion magazine ♪

I have to be attentive with checking the current trendy attire. Anzu-chan, I don't think I've seen you in anything but that suit these days...

Could it be that you dress up on your days off?

<i>"To some extent..."</i> Arashi: Hmm. You bought some new clothes lately? Well then, come hang out with me on our next day off ♪ I want to see what kind of clothes you've bought!	<i>"I'm not so confident."</i> Arashi: Then I'll lend you this magazine! Some of the brands I like are in the print too. This one's not too flashy and I think it suits you, no?	<i>"Lately..."</i> Arashi: You've been studying the trends on SNS? ...This isn't about idol outfits. You should also search for fashionable casual wear.
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Part Two



Arashi: That's right... Hair colour or eye colour, or skin colour... There are differences between people.

In the end, the first step to becoming fashionable is to envision your ideal self and to work towards being like somebody you admire.

In the past, I was stumbling through a series of trial and error as well. I'm sure that, one of these days, you'll also figure out who you want to be ♪

<i>"I hope so."</i> Arashi: Of course, you'd have to put in the work for it. It doesn't matter how many times you fail, so it's better to keep trying.	<i>"Will you help me?"</i> Arashi: Of course! I'll lend a hand whenever you need it! Whether it's makeup or fashion or posture... Please leave it to me ♪	<i>"Trial and error, huh..."</i> Arashi: Yes. You might find that there are clothes you think wouldn't suit you that are surprisingly not so bad when you try them on. Wouldn't being bound to your preconceptions be the worst you can do?
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Part Three



Arashi: Well then. I have arrangements with Izumi-chan after this.

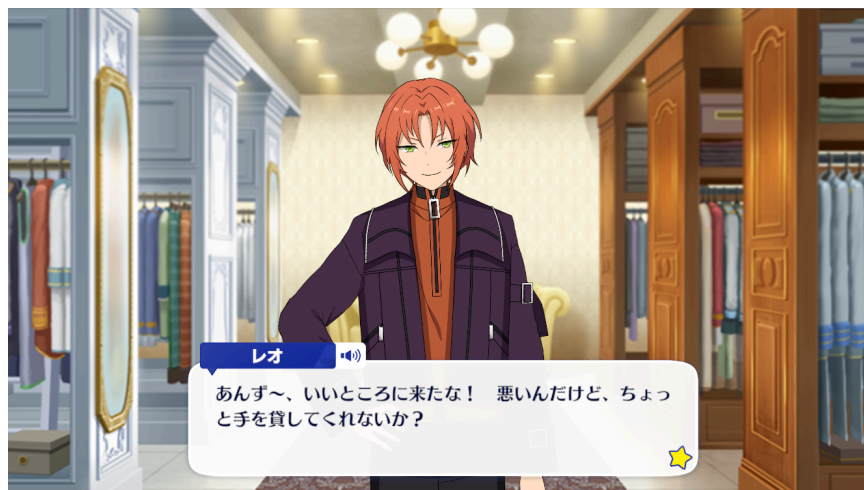
Fufu, he invited me to do a lesson together.

Izumi-chan looks oh-so-lonely... I have to keep him company once in a while~

<i>"Keep up the good work."</i> Arashi: Thanks ♪ Are you coming to our next live, Anzu-chan? I'll work hard in preparation to show you my perfect self ♪	<i>"I'm rooting for you."</i> Arashi: Izumi-chan likes lessons so I'm worried he'll work me to the bone... Well, he'll probably be more lenient than in individual practice. I should be able to manage somehow.	<i>"See you later!"</i> Arashi: Fufu, I'll be off~... ♪ Somehow, talking with you made me more motivated. I'll be splendidly beautiful as always. I've got to work hard as a member of Knights.
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Leo Tsukinaga - Skilled In Disorder

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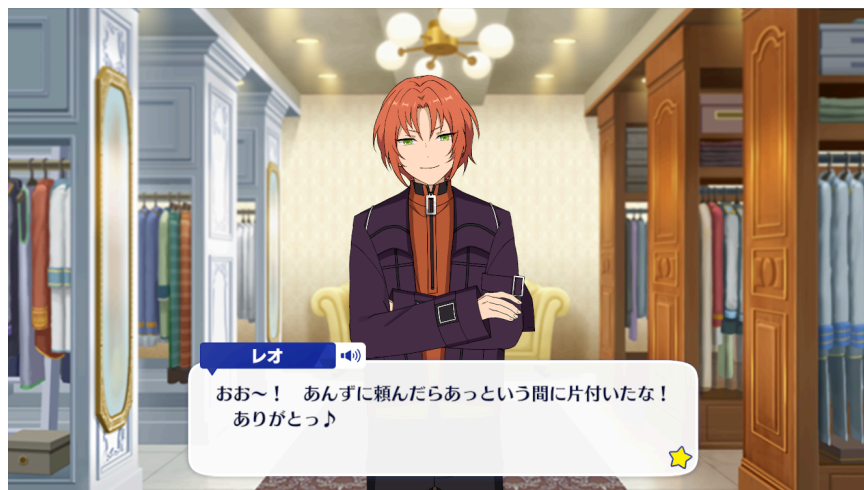
Leo: Anzu~ You came at a good time! Sorry to ask, but could you lend me a hand?

See my luggage scattered all over the place? Work tools, outfits... and a bunch of other stuff!

I was cramming it all in my bag, but I opened it and it ended up in a chaotic mess. You'll help me, won't you?

<i>"There's so much."</i> Leo: It's hard to carry it all but this is only the necessary stuff for work today, you know~ Wahaha, I'm gonna run around with this thing all day!	<i>"What about this thing?"</i> Leo: What's that...? Is it really mine? Wait, this is an amulet thing I got from Obachan! I'll put it into my bag pocket!	<i>"I'll help pack it in!"</i> Leo: Ooh, motivated, aren'tcha ♪ Let's keep it up~! Oh, I've got a meeting with Knights after this. Sena's gonna get mad if I'm late!
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Part Two



Leo: Ooh~ ! Since asking for your help, we tidied up in a flash! Thanks, Anzu ♪

I want to give you something as thanks, but... I don't think I have anything I can give you right now?

Anzu, do you have anything you want? I don't know when I'll next see you but I'll have it prepared!

<i>"I want a souvenir from overseas."</i>	<i>"I want to have a leisurely chat with you."</i>	<i>"Receiving your thanks is enough."</i>
Leo: Then leave it to me! Thanks to my work, I'm very familiar with souvenirs ♪ I can buy you anything, whether it be delicious snacks or weird ornaments ☆	Leo: Oh? If that's the case, you're welcome any time! Well then, let's talk on our day off! I'll tell you when I'm free and you can call me again later?	Leo: Ehh~ You don't have anything you want? It's fine to be more selfish, you know? Then... I know! Here's my new song that I finished just now... ☆

Part Three



Leo: Ah- I better get going! I have to be at the meeting soon!

Suo~ said that we'll be deciding our live concept today.

Oh that's right - there's stuff we need to discuss with you anyway, so come along if you're free!

<i>"I'll go with you then."</i>	<i>"In the first place..."</i>	<i>"Please leave it to me!"</i>
Leo: Wahaha, our timing was great ☆ Well then, head for the office! Don't wait for me - My inspiration is flowing and I'll go after I write this song!	Leo: Eh? You came looking for me at Suo~'s request? Wait so that means you were already going to participate in the meeting! I didn't know!	Leo: Wow, you're kinda overflowing with motivation! Yep yep, it's good to be motivated ♪ I'll praise you!

Leo Tsukinaga - Chess Opponent

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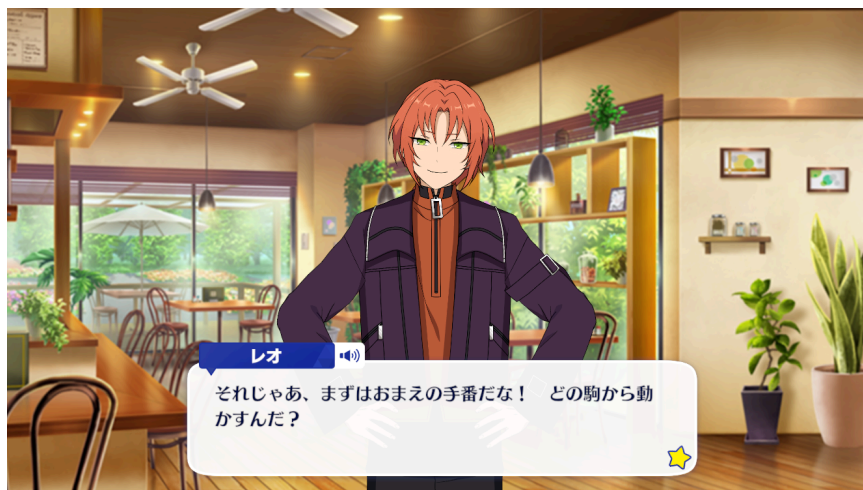
Leo: He~y, Anzu. Isn't it better to not move that piece~ ?

Wahaha, sorry for butting in out of nowhere! I saw you playing chess on your own, you see.

Did you have plans to play with someone? If you don't have an opponent, how about you play against me?

<i>"I'm grateful."</i>	<i>"Is that okay?"</i>	<i>"If you're alright with playing with me..."</i>
Leo: You're practising because you and Suo~ are planning to face off against each other? Hmm~ If that's the case, I'll put you through intense drilling... ☆	Leo: I happen be on break for work and was planning to get tea anyway. I know! How about the loser treats the winner to a cup of tea?	Leo: Of course it's alright~ ♪ Now that it's decided, let's start playing right away~ Are you ready?

Part Two



Leo: Well then, it's your turn first! Which piece are you going to move?

...Wahaha, aren't you stressing too soon~? You should relax and play freely!

Good good, you'll move that pawn first. So, where will you place it?

<i>"One step forward..."</i> Leo: A steady one step forward, huh. A diligent move! Very like you. Then I'll do the same. First off, matching Anzu's pace!	<i>"A daring move..."</i> Leo: Ooh, it seems that the outcome of our game can be decided within a few moves! In that case, I won't hold back either! I'll challenge you at full force~ ☆	<i>"Right here."</i> Leo: Hmm, so this is how our match will unfold~ Well then, I'll also move my pawn two steps forward. Now, where will you go from here?
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Leo: It's my win~ ☆ Ah~ That was fun!

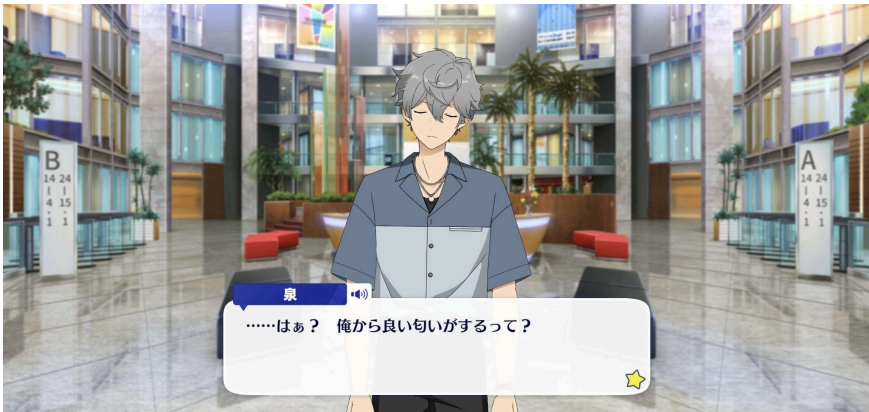
Anzu, you did pretty well! I figured I'd win with time to spare, but it took longer than I expected.

Now, what offerings will you bring to me, you whose king was slain?

<i>"The loser treats the winner..."</i> Leo: You're buying me something? Ahh, now that you mention it, we did make that agreement! Then, a coffee would be good. What are you gonna get?	<i>"Hold on."</i> Leo: You want to go again? Well, I don't mind! Oka~y, how about I make the first move this time?	<i>"How can I..."</i> Leo: You want to know how to win? I see, lemme think... Sometimes, it's also important to make sacrifices. From which, you'll be able to see chances to obtain freedom!
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Izumi Sena - The Source of the Smell

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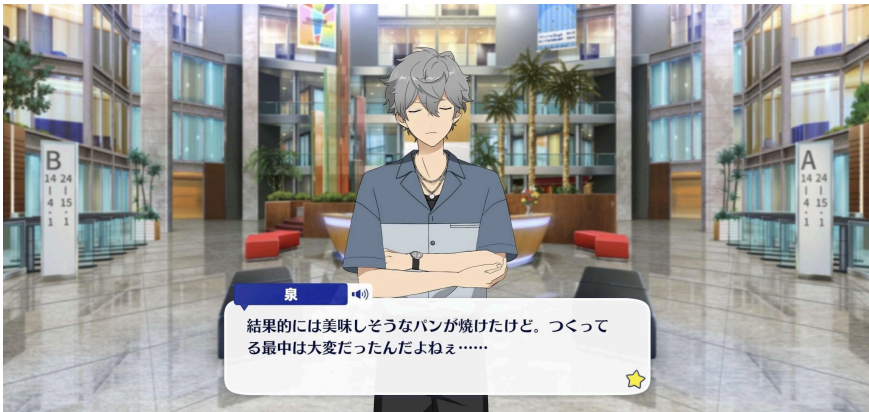
Izumi: ...Hah? There's a nice smell coming from me?

I was making bread as a member of Niki's Kitchen just now.

I have a loaf I made on me. See, isn't this the smell?

<i>"It's not bread..."</i> Izumi: Not the bread? I'm not carrying any other food, though. Could the smell be coming from me? Maybe it's because I changed my perfume...	<i>"It's pretty good."</i> Izumi: Fufun. Naturally ♪ It's my handiwork after all. Failure would be unforgivable, wouldn't it?	<i>"That's the smell."</i> Izumi: Ah, the smell might be strong because it's curry bread. It might be a better smell than normal bread, though.
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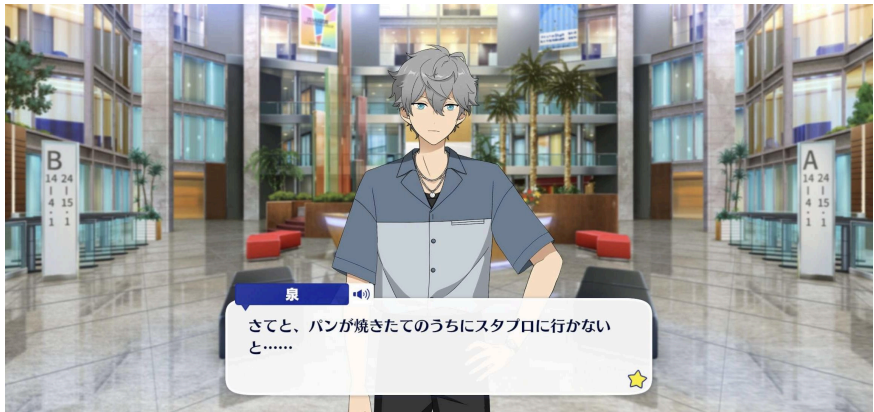
Izumi: The end results were delicious-looking bread, but the making process was difficult, you know...

Shiina seemed to be even hungrier than usual today.

That guy ate all the ingredients that were supposed to go into the bread! Can you believe it?!

<i>"What was the original plan...?"</i> Izumi: We were going to make anpan, not curry bread. Well, Fushimi brought out curry from somewhere, so we ended up with curry bread instead.	<i>"I can picture it."</i> Izumi: Kanzaki even went to the trouble of getting high-end red bean paste from his family home, you know? What a waste, right? Well, Shiina was in high spirits.	<i>"That seemed fun."</i> Izumi: Well, I don't hate cooking. I guess the whole thing was a good change of pace.
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Izumi: Now, I've got to get to StarPro while the bread is still freshly-baked.

Why? I'm giving it to Yuu-kun, obviously?

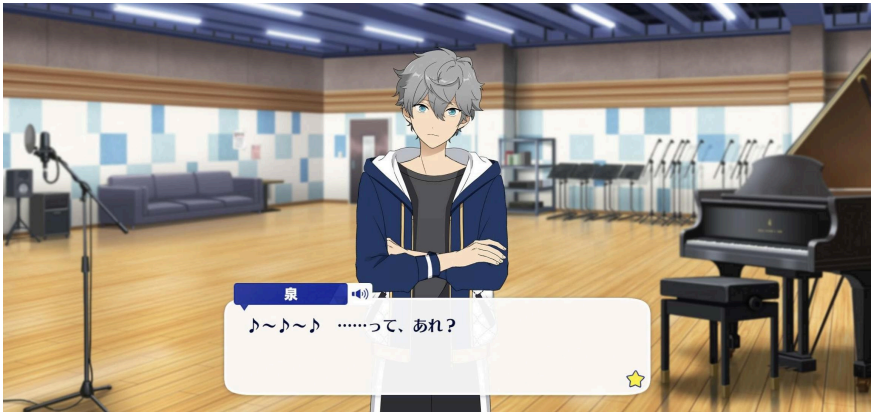
Bread is the most delicious while freshly-baked, and this is the perfect amount for lunch, isn't it?

<i>"S-sorry, but..."</i> Izumi: Eh- Trickstar is on-site today...? No way, I haven't heard anything about that!	<i>"As long as you're happy."</i> Izumi: Of course he'll be happy to receive something from me ♪	<i>"Now that you mention it..."</i> Izumi: He should be in the data room today? Huh, I see.
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Why didn't anybody tell me?!	I know, I'll give you a piece too. I'll ask you about your thoughts afterwards, okay?	Thanks, I'll try going to the data room then.
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Izumi Sena - Diligent Lesson

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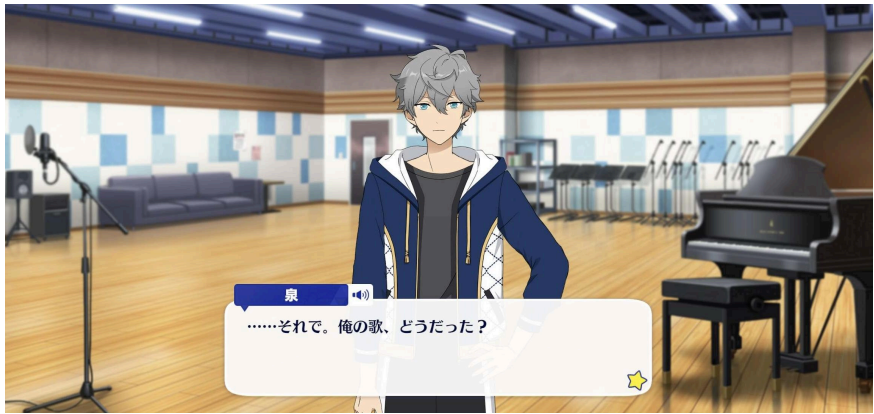
Izumi: ♪～♪～♪ ...Huh?

(The sound died. Is this music player reaching the end of its life...? I've been using it for a long time, huh.)

Hah... So annoying...

"P-pardon me..." Izumi: Eh? Ah, I wasn't grumbling about you, Anzu. My favourite music player is about to break, you see... I was just sighing about that.	"Hey..." Izumi: Oh hey, it's Anzu. Is it time for my next lesson? ...You heard my singing so you came to observe? If you're gonna to do that, we might as well practise together.	"Are you okay?" Izumi: What? Oh, because I was sighing? I'm alright. There's no particular trouble, and my physical condition is completely fine.
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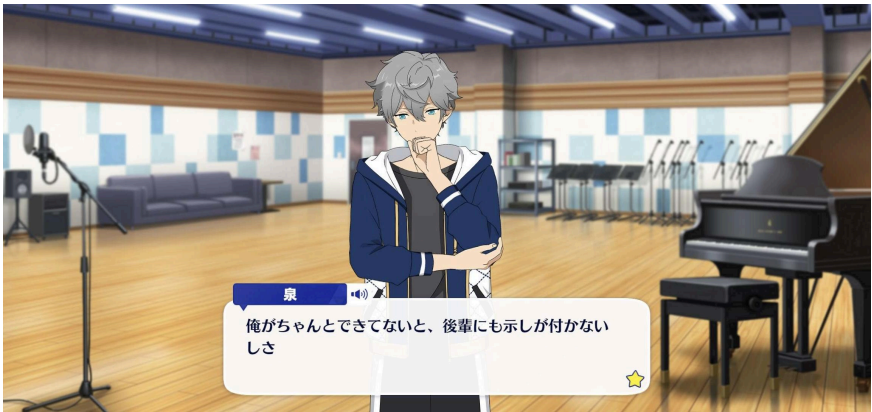
Izumi: ...So. How's my singing?

New songs are somewhat difficult so I thought I'd get your opinion...

The high notes in the chorus just won't come out nicely.

<i>"Could you..."</i> Izumi: It looks like I'm only conscious of that phrase? I see. Well if it's like that from your perspective, I'll have to be more careful.	<i>"With falsetto..."</i> Izumi: I wish my falsetto could have a more steady volume. I'll try to do as you said, so could you listen again?	<i>"If that's the case..."</i> Izumi: How about adding harmony? No, that'd be the last resort. Leo-kun would've assigned me this part because he thought that I could do it. I'm going to try until the very end.
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Izumi: If I can't do it properly, I'll be setting a bad example for my juniors.

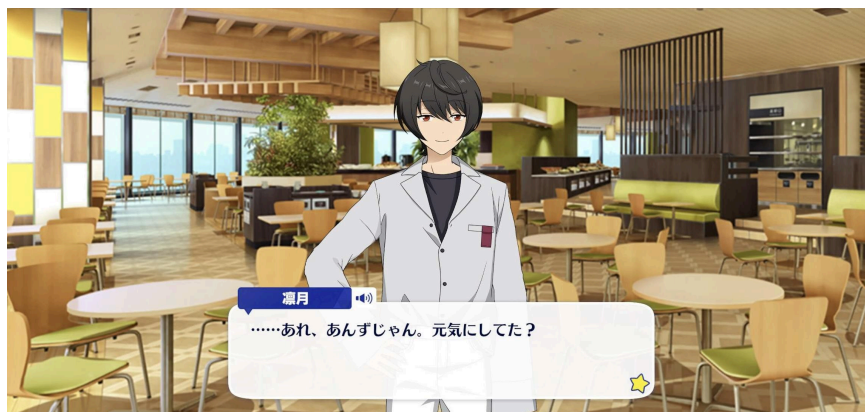
I think I'm almost getting the hang of it...?

Hey, could you check whether I could get an extension on this lesson room?

"Ah- After this..." Izumi: Kasa-kun has scheduled an individual lesson? Well damn, let's just practise together then. I might also teach Kasa-kun a thing or two ♪	"I'll go check!" Izumi: Thanks - I'm listening to a couple more songs... Call out to me if you can confirm the extension? I'm counting on you.	"Let's see..." Izumi: ...Nobody has booked this room after me? Haha, so the lesson room is going to be empty, for better or worse... Well, it's totally lucky for me.
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Ritsu Sakuma - Tonight's Schedule

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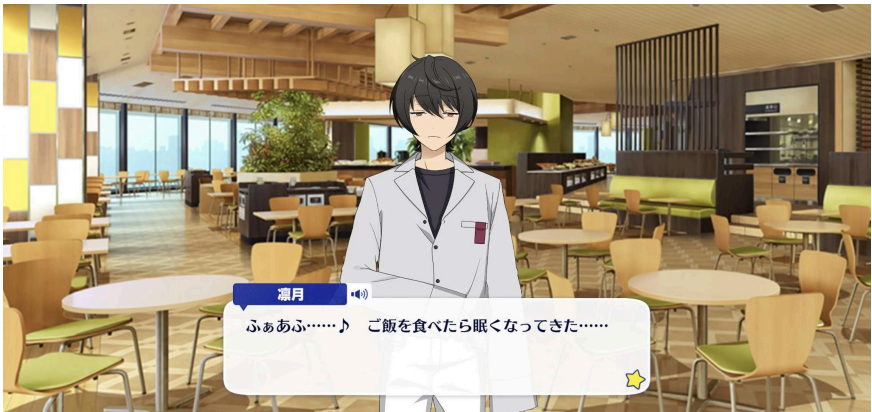
Ritsu: ...Oh? Why, isn't it Anzu. How's it going?

You look kinda tired... Well, I'm worn out today too~

Come grab lunch with me if you're free. Sounds good?

<i>"All good with me."</i> Ritsu: Fufu, I was just in the mood to chat with someone. I'm glad I ran into you, Anzu ♪	<i>"Looks like you've been busy."</i> Ritsu: Knights currently has a bunch of problems piling up~ But, I can see that Su~chan is also trying his best. I'll come to you for advice if we get backed into a corner.	<i>"What are we going to eat?"</i> Ritsu: Right... Why don't we just order whatever you want? Let's share the food between us. That way, we can save a little, right?
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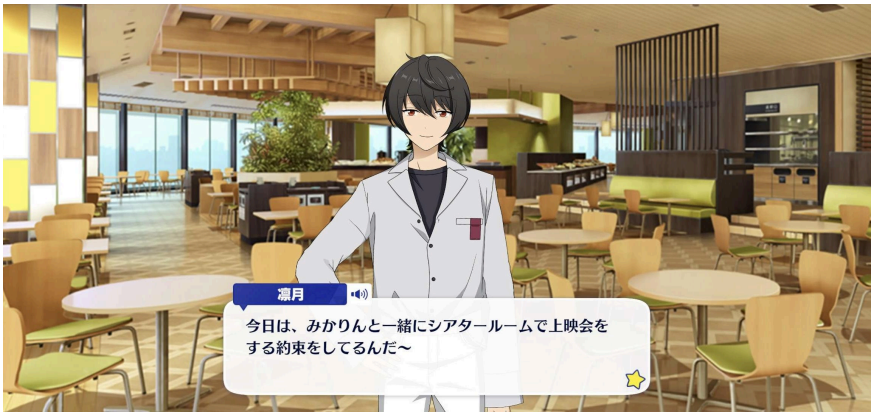
Ritsu: (yawn)... ♪ I feel sleepy after eating...

It's always tough after noon, but today I also have information collecting to do after this...

Mikarin and I are going to have some fun tonight ♪

<i>"Something fun?"</i> Ritsu: Fufu, wanna know? If you want to know, you better pay the price... ♪ That's right, sweets and soda would be fitting, don'tcha think?	<i>"What is it?"</i> Ritsu: Fu~fu~fu. Good thing you asked... ♪ You're welcome to join us if you have no other plans tonight~	<i>"That's rare."</i> Ritsu: Is that so? Mikarin and I are pretty friendly as roommates. Ah. I'm not having an affair or anything, so tell Ma~kun to rest easy ♪
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Ritsu: I've made plans with Mikarin to have a screening in the theatre room today~

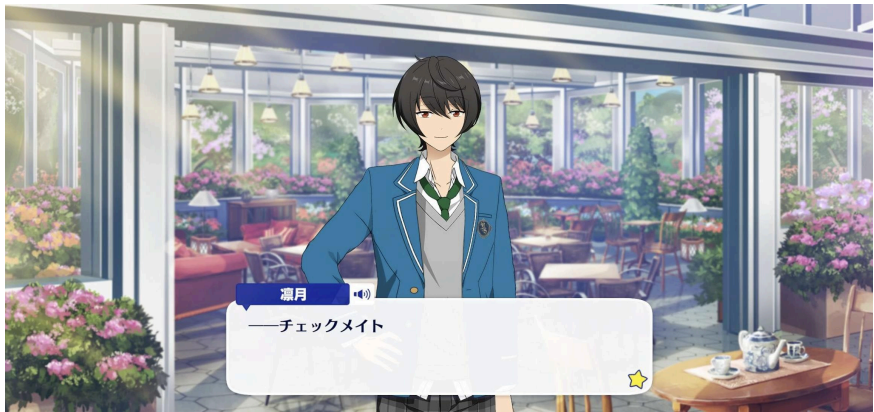
There'll be a music show featuring Ma~kun broadcasting tonight, and 'Oshi-san'-san also makes a minor appearance.

That's why, the two of us decided to try 'supporting our oshis' together.

<i>"The other day..."</i> Ritsu: Ma~kun told you about their recording sessions for this show? What's this supposed to be? Telling me to back off? ...I'm just kidding~	<i>"Sounds fun."</i> Ritsu: Mhm, I think it'll be fun to pure-heartedly cheer someone on. And since it's someone we love, it should be even more fun... ♪	<i>"He looked the same..."</i> Ritsu: Oh? You saw Mikarin looking all giddy earlier too? It's great that he's looking forward to it as well~
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Ritsu Sakuma - Vibrant Opening

Part One



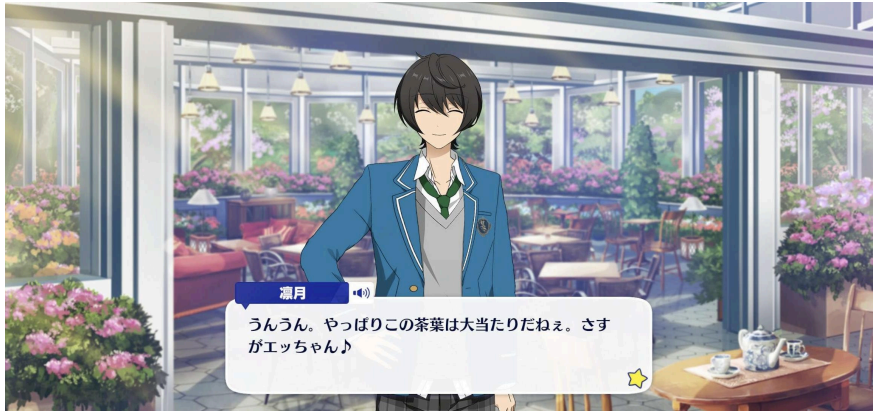
Ritsu: ---Checkmate.

Fufu, I'm no match for Tsukipi~ but I'm pretty good too, right?

Now that our game is over, I'll make you a cup of tea today... ♪

<i>"Thank you."</i> Ritsu: I just received some good tea leaves from Ecchan, you see. It's got to be the expensive type for aristocrats, no? Now that our troubles have reached a stopping point, I figured we should indulge ourselves and take it easy today.	<i>"I lost..."</i> Ritsu: You're a hundred years too early to be thinking about defeating me ♪ Chess is a game determined by foreseeing the future, after all. That's my field of expertise... ♪	<i>"I'll help too."</i> Ritsu: It's fine, it's fine. Sit down, okay? I'm just going to boil water in the kitchen area; That much I can handle by myself.
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Part Two



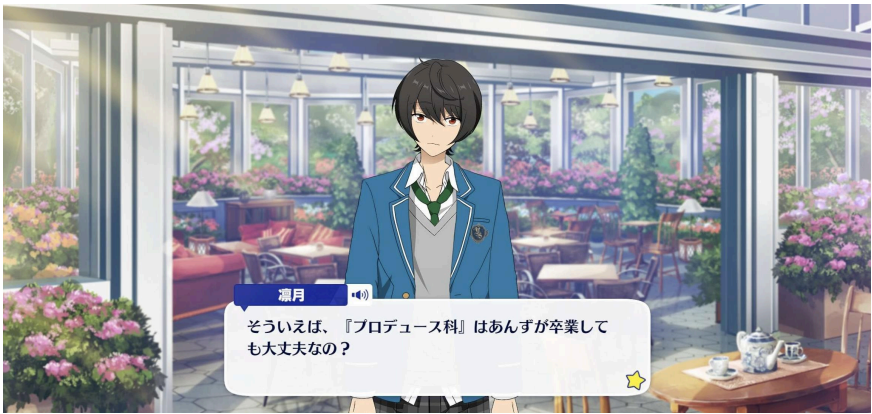
Ritsu: Yep yep, I was right on the mark about the tea leaves. As expected of Ecchan ♪

Both the smell and the taste are good... It'd be great if Ha~kun came today but he had other plans scheduled. How unfortunate~

Well, March is always hectic everywhere. We'll only be in Yumenosaki for a little longer, and our time as students is running out.

<i>"There are also things to look forward to."</i> Ritsu: True, I guess we can be happy that our free time will increase? Although, we might become busy with work instead. I'm looking forward to it though, whatever awaits us~	<i>"We'll graduate, but..."</i> Ritsu: Let's be friends forever...? Ahaha, isn't that obvious? We won't be saying goodbye. You're gonna have to keep spoiling me for a long, long time... ♪	<i>"You'll be able to graduate this year, right?"</i> Ritsu: Ahaha, I decided to graduate with Ma~kun so, no worries ♪ And I'll be with you too, Anzu. After all, I've decided that I'll keep on living alongside all of you.
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Part Three



Ritsu: That reminds me, is the producer course going to okay after you graduate?

...Uhuh. So your talented juniors are working hard. Well done, well done... ♪

Look, we can hear singing from a lesson room right now. Shall we head over to check on our juniors?

<i>"What song is that?"</i> Ritsu: Oh? You don't know it? It's a song Tsukipi~ composed long ago. Hearing this song makes my body tingle... ♪	<i>"Sure."</i> Ritsu: How about we get Su~chan and Nacchan to come while we're at it? They should still be in the school area - I'll try contacting them.	<i>"A standard set piece, huh."</i> Ritsu: Yep yep, this is a song Su~chan has practised to death ♪ It feels like they're declaring 'I want to become a member of Knights!'. Fufu, isn't it cute.
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