

Demon Slayer S.4 E.01

Title: To Defeat Muzan Kibutsuji

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[Scene: At night, in a forest. Shinazugawa, Iguro, and two Demon Slayers approach a castle.]

Shinazugawa What is this place?

Iguro It seems this castle fell into disrepair during the revolution, abandoned and forgotten because it's in a remote location.

Shinazugawa I don't like when those demons act like lords.

Iguro Are you sure that the villagers were taken there?

Slayer Yes. We even tracked them into the keep last night, but we found nothing.

Shinazugawa They can't just disappear, you idiot. You're so easily fooled.

Slayer My apologies!

Iguro And today, another woman disappeared.

Slayer While we were on the lookout, they took them from right under our noses.

Shinazugawa I don't expect anything from you guys.

Iguro Hm... Apparently, we're not too late.

[Action: Iguro points to a demon carrying a woman over his shoulder.]

Shinazugawa That bastard!

[Action: Shinazugawa, Iguro, and the two Demon Slayers chase after the demon.]

Woman Ugh... Ngh...

Demon Hmm?

Grr... I should have killed them last night.

[Action: The demon runs into the castle. Shinazugawa, Iguro, and the two Demon Slayers enter.]

Demon Grr... Urah!

[Action: A demon lunges at one of the Demon Slayers. Iguro beheads it in one go.]

Demon Gah...

[Action: Other demons charge. Shinazugawa beheads another.]

Shinazugawa Ngh!

Demons Gah!

Shinazugawa Ngh! Ugh...

Demons Gahh!

Gahh...

Ngh!

Slayers Ugh...

Urah!

Demon Ngh... Gahh...

Gahh!

Grrr...

Slayers Ahh...!

Ngh! There!

Demon Gah!

[Action: Shinazugawa, Iguro, and the two Demon Slayers defeat the last of the demons.]

Iguro You guys, get back. The Wind Hashira and I will take it from here.

Slayer But...

Shinazugawa You guys are in our way. Just get the hell out of here.

Slayers Ngh...

Ugh...

[Action: The two Demon Slayers flee.]

Iguro Shinazugawa, something strange is going on here.

Shinazugawa Yeah, I don't like it. I've never seen so many demons swarming in one place.

Woman Help me!

Shinazugawa Ngh...

[Action: Shinazugawa jumps up into an attic, coming face to face with a large group of demons.]

Shinazugawa Wind Breathing, Second Form!

Demons Gahhh!

Shinazugawa Claws-Purifying Wind!

[Action: Shinazugawa defeats the demons in one swing. Another wave comes, and Iguro appears.]

Iguro Serpent Breathing, Fifth Form.

Demons Gahh!

Iguro Slithering Serpent.

[Action: Iguro defeats the second wave of demons.]

Iguro That was close.

Shinazugawa I didn't ask for your help!

Demon Ugh... This strength... They're not ordinary Demon Slayers. They're Hashira!

[Action: The demon with the kidnapped woman runs from the area.]

Woman Help me!

Shinazugawa Hey, demon! Leave that woman and your head here!

[Action: Two demons appear in front of Shinazugawa.]

Shinazugawa Get out!

[Action: Shinazugawa defeats the demons instantly.]

Demon Gah!

[Action: More demons appear. Shinazugawa mows through them.]

Shinazugawa They just keep appearing one after another!

Demon Gah!

Shinazugawa Are you demons or cockroaches?!

Demon Gah!

Woman Ahh...!

Shinazugawa Ngh!

Demons Ugh!

Grr...

Woman Ahh!

[Action: The demon with the kidnapped woman jumps through a hole in the wall.]

Shinazugawa Hm?

Demon Urahh!

[Action: A demon appears from the sky. Shinazugawa cuts it down.]

Shinazugawa There are still more?

Demons Grr...

Shinazugawa Where the hell are those demons coming from?

Iguro Save the woman, Shinazugawa. I got your six.

Shinazugawa Haa... Well, I'm getting bored, too. I'll let you take care of them!

[Action: Shinazugawa chases after the demon with the kidnapped woman.]

Demons Urahh...

Iguro Serpent Breathing, Third Form.

Demons Urahh...

Iguro Coil Choke.

[Action: Iguro defeats a large group of demons.]

Woman Ahhhh!

Demons Grrr...

Shinazugawa Listen, you can't win even if you gather small fries. Just give up and die.

Demon Grrr...

[Action: A horde of demons lunges at Shinazugawa.]

Demons Urahh!

Urahhh!

Shinazugawa Tsk... Ngh!

[Action: Shinazugawa swings, releasing a large-scale attack.]

Demons Gahh!

Shinazugawa Wind Breathing, Fourth Form!

Rising Dust Storm.

Demon Ugh... Good grief.

Woman Ah...

Demon If you want her so badly...

Woman Ah! No! What are you going to do?!

[Action: The demon throws the woman toward the edge of the roof.]

Demon ... catch her!

Woman Ahh!

Shinazugawa Ngh...

[Action: Iguro catches the kidnapped woman. Shinazugawa charges at the demon.]

Shinazugawa Ngh...

Tsk...

[Action: Shinazugawa and Iguro jump over the rooftop and into the Infinity Castle.]

Iguro What?

Shinazugawa Ah...!

Demon Fufufufu...

Shinazugawa Stay there, shithead!

[Action: Shinazugawa aims to stab the demon, but the doors to the Infinity Castle close. Shinazugawa's sword hits the ground.]

Shinazugawa Ngh...

What the heck is going on?

Iguro Hey, Shinazugawa. What was that?

Where have the demons gone?

Shinazugawa How the hell should I know?

[Scene: In a village. Kanao rides on a cart.]

Man You sure you want to get off at the end of this road?

[Action: Kanao smiles at the man as the sun rises. She gets off the cart and arrives at the Butterfly Mansion.]

Kiyo Ah... Miss Kanao! Good work on completing your mission!

Naho, Sumi Good work!

[Action: Kanao finds Shinobu in her room.]

Kanao Master, I have just returned.

[Action: Shinobu and Kanao walk through the estate.]

Shinobu That matter of the Swordsmith Village was just like I told you the other day. Tokitou, Kanroji, Kamado, and the others have defeated two Upper Ranks.

Moreover, Nezuko has overcome the sun. There will be major developments to come.

Kanao Yes.

Shinobu Muzan Kibutsuji will probably use his demons to take Nezuko away... in order to own a demon that can overcome the sun.

[Scene: In a separate room. Nezuko sits on a bed. The sun is covered by clouds.]

Nezuko Ah... Ahh...

[Scene: In the hallway. Shinobu stops walking.]

Shinobu I will attend an urgent Hashira meeting at the Ubuyashiki residence.

In the meantime, can I ask you to protect Nezuko?

Kanao Huh?

Shinobu Heh... It's a request.

[Scene: At the Butterfly Mansion. Tanjirou sits in bed and eats while Gotou gives him a rundown of events.]

Tanjirou I see. They're moving their base. Are the villagers all right?

Gotou I don't know that much about the details. They said the demons might attack at night, so they're desperately rebuilding and relocating.

Tanjirou I see...

Gotou It's miraculous how that was all it took even though two Upper Ranks attacked.

Tanjirou Heh... The enemies were really strong.

Gotou The Corps created several “empty villages” for such occasions, so we’re able to move quickly if something happens.

Tanjirou Wow...

Gotou Well, that’s because the Master and his family’s predictions are incredible. Anyway, you’ve been unconscious for a week. Is it okay to eat that much?

Tanjirou Yes! Kanroji said she also eats a lot!

Gotou Nah, she seems a bit beyond reason.

Kanroji (Flashback) Mmm... Delicious!

Gotou Is it true that the Love Hashira and Mist Hashira slept for two days and were almost fully recovered by the third day?

Kanroji It’s true! I respect them!

Gotou You’re getting closer to them, you know? Bit by bit.

Well, it’s fine if you get better soon.

Tanjirou Huh?

Gotou I’m glad everyone is alive.

Tanjirou Yes!

Gotou Oh, this is what I wanted to ask the most. I heard your sister has become something incredible. Is she all right?

Tanjirou Oh, yes, she is. She’s starting to totter under the sun.

Gotou Isn’t that bad? Seriously, isn’t that dangerous?

Tanjirou She’s being examined, but we still don’t know anything. We don’t know if she’s turning back into a human or evolving as a demon.

Gotou Is Lady Kochou looking into it?

Tanjirou Not her, but Lady Tamayo.

Gotou Who’s Lady Tamayo?

[Action: Tanjirou chokes on his riceball.]

Tanjirou Guh!

Gotou Huh?!

[Action: Tanjirou coughs loudly.]

Gotou Tsk... Hey, see? You ate too much! You should know that you're still recovering!

Tanjirou (Thoughts) That was close!

Gotou Your sister has become like that and things are going to start happening. Every Corps member has been given an order to be on alert, and we're told the Hashira are gathering. What happens from now, really?

[Scene: At the Ubuyashiki residence. The Hashira have gathered.]

Shinazugawa We're the last ones, huh?

Iguro Sorry to keep you waiting.

Himejima No problem. Well done on your mission.

Shinazugawa It was nothing.

I heard Kanroji and Tokitou had a fight against the Upper Ranks.

Kanroji Yeah. They were strong! I felt like I couldn't do it anymore, but we all pulled together. Right, Muichirou?

Tokitou Yeah.

Shinazugawa Ugh... That makes me jealous. Why haven't I encountered an Upper Rank?

Iguro It's like almost everyone is running into them. Kanroji and Tokitou, how are you feeling now?

Kanroji Oh! Thanks for asking. I'm much better now!

(Thoughts) Oh, my! He's worried about me! Ahh~!

Haha! Hahaha!

Tokitou I'm fine, too, although I'm still not in my best form.

Himejima If we lose any more Hashira, the Corps will be in danger. Defeating two Upper Ranks without dying is a tremendous feat.

Shinobu You two healed unusually fast this time. What happened?

Tomioka I believe the Master will talk about that matter, too.

[Action: Amane, Kiriya, and Kanata the room. The Hashira turn to face her.]

Amane Thank you for waiting. At today's Hashira meeting, I, Amane Ubuyashiki, will represent Kagaya Ubuyashiki.

I would also like to apologize sincerely for the fact that Master Kagaya will no longer be able to appear before you due to his declining health.

[Action: Amane, Kiriya, and Kanata bow.]

Hashira Ah...

Ah...

Ah...

[Action: The Hashira bow to Amane, Kiriya, and Kanata.]

Himejima Understood. I pray that his flame of life continues to burn even one day longer. I also pray that your spirit remains strong, Amane.

Amane My sincere gratitude to all the Hashira.

As you may have already heard, now that a demon who can withstand the sunlight has appeared, Muzan Kibutsuji will change his aim and come for her so that he can overcome the sun, too.

A large-scale war is near. I have received reports that during the fight against Upper Rank Four and Five, Kanroji...

Kanroji Ah...

Amane ... and Tokitou...

Tokitou Ah...

Amane ... manifested a unique pattern of marks.

Crow Fufu!

Amane I would like you both to tell us about what conditions caused those marks to appear.

Crow Fufu...

**Kanroji,
Tokitou** Ah...

Kanroji Marks?

Amane During the Sengoku period, there were swordsmen of the First Breathing who had almost defeated Muzan Kibutsuji. All of them manifested marks similar to a demon crest.

Shinazugawa Huh?

**Tomioka,
Iguro** Ah...

Amane You may have heard such tales, but the tales are true.

Shinazugawa This is the first I've heard of it. Why was it kept in the dark?

Amane Many people have tormented themselves over the marks that did not manifest. That is because there is a lack of clarity regarding the legend of the marks.

It could be because it was not considered important at the time, or perhaps, because the Demon Slayer Corps has been nearly destroyed many times, the information was not passed down. Only one thing was written down clearly.

When the marked one appears, the mark will appear on others around as well as if in resonance.

[Action: Kiriya takes out a book.]

Kiriya That was written down in the journal of the swordsman of the First Breathing.

Amane The first person in this generation who did manifest the mark... was not a Hashira but Tanjirou Kamado. He was the first marked one.

[Scene: In a courtyard. Tanjirou explains the feeling of the mark manifesting to a kasugai crow.]

Tanjirou It was like “gwaaah”! And then “gaaah!” My stomach was like “groooar”! Like that!

Amane However, he did not seem to know how the mark manifested, so we put it aside for the time being. And this time, following him, two Hashira have had this awakening.

Please teach us how to manifest it, Kanroji and Tokitou.

Kanroji

Oh! S-Sure!

(Thoughts) Lady Amane is so admirable! Mmm~!

Ah! Uh, well, so at that time... if I remember right, my body became very light.

Um... Uh... And then... it was... Ah!

It was like “gwaaah”! And “whooom”! Then “gaaah”! My heart was thumping nonstop! My ears rang so loudly! Crack, crack, crack! Like that!

Hehe...

Shinazugawa Huh?

Iguro

Ugh...

Kanroji

My deepest apologies. I would crawl into a hole if there was one!

[Action: Tanjirou sneezes.]

Tokitou

Okay, it's my turn.

Kanroji

Wahh...

Tokitou

I wasn't aware of any mark that manifested on me, but when I think back to that battle, there are a few unusual things that come to mind. If the conditions are met, everyone could probably manifest the mark.

I'll tell you how I did it.

[Scene: In the Ubuyashiki residence. Tokitou explains his circumstances.]

Tokitou

During that battle, I was poisoned and couldn't move.

When I tried to slow down my blood circulation and the spread of the poison using my

breathing, I saw the boy who wanted to save me nearly killed, my lost memories returned, and then I couldn't control my emotions because I was so angry. I think my heart rate was over 200 beats per minute.

Kanroji Oh...

Tokitou Furthermore, my body was burning hot. My temperature must have reached over 39 degrees Celsius.

Shinobu Ah... How could you move in such a state? It could be life-threatening.

Tokitou You're right. It was like being sieved.

I think the difference between those who manifest the mark and those who don't is whether you die or not.

Amane A heart rate over 200 beats per minute... How can you be sure your temperature was 39 degrees?

Tokitou Well, I had a fever when I was being treated at Kochou's place. The thermometer showed my body temperature was 39 degrees. I felt it was the same heat when the mark manifested.

Kanroji (Thoughts) I didn't realize that.

Shinazugawa Tsk... So it's really that simple.

Tomioka I envy you for being such a simpleton that you can call that simple.

Shinazugawa What did you say?

Tomioka Nothing.

[Action: Rain starts to fall.]

Shinobu That means we Hashira must manifest the mark.

Himejima Agreed. We will do something about it. Please tell the Master to rest assured.

Amane Thank you. But there is one thing I must tell you regarding the training to manifest the mark.

Kanroji What is it?

Amane Those who have manifested the mark will have no choice anymore.

They, without exception, will...

[Scene: Sometime later. The rain has stopped. Amane, Nichika, and Kiriya have left the room.]

Himejima I understand now. But in that case, what would happen to me? Good Lord.

Tomioka Since Lady Amane has left, I have nothing left to do here.

Shinazugawa Hey, hold on! Don't just leave! We have to decide what each of us is going to do.

Tomioka The six of you can talk among yourselves. It has nothing to do with me.

Iguro What do you mean by that? You're not aware enough that you're a Hashira.

Or what? Do you want to start your training as soon as possible? You want to skip the meeting?

[Action: Tomioka turns to leave the room.]

Kanroji Ahh...

Shinazugawa Wait, you bastard!

Shinobu Explain yourself, Tomioka. You didn't explain enough.

Tomioka I'm different from all of you.

Shinazugawa I don't like it. You said the same thing before, Tomioka. Are you looking down on us?

Kanroji P-Please, don't fight! Stay calm, okay?

[Action: Tomioka begins to walk away.]

Shinazugawa Come back here!

[Action: Shinazugawa follows after Tomioka.]

Kanroji Ahh! No, no! Please, don't!

[Action: Himejima claps his hands together, sending a shockwave through the room.]

Kanroji Gahh!

Himejima Sit down.

Let's continue our discussion. I have a proposal.

[Scene: In Tanjiro's hospital room. Gotou sets a platter of snacks and tea down for Tanjiro.]

Gotou Here you go.

Tanjiro Wow! Thank you very much!

[Action: Tanjiro begins eating.]

Tanjiro Mmm...

Gotou You really eat a lot.

Anyway, where are those three girls and your sister? I don't see Aoi, either.

Tanjiro There's no member in critical condition, so they've been playing with Nezuko. Thanks to them, she's learning to speak bit by bit.

Gotou Oh, I see. How peaceful.

Tanjiro Mmm! These dango are delicious!

Gotou Yeah, yeah, I know. But wouldn't it be a problem if that Yellow Head showed up?

[Scene: Outside the Butterfly Mansion. Zenitsu returns from a mission and hums to himself. A wooden toy hits him on the head.]

Zenitsu Ah, ow... Hm?

Kiyo Oh, Zenitsu. Are you done with your mission?

Zenitsu I'm back, Kiyo.

Kiyo Everyone, Zenitsu is back!

[Action: Kiyo, Naho, and Sumi run toward Zenitsu.]

**Kiyo, Naho,
Sumi** Yay!

Sumi Good work on completing your mission, Zenitsu.

Kiyo, Naho Good work!

Zenitsu Kiyo, Naho, and Sumi, you three gathered here to welcome me?

Ugh, this time was really tough, too. I thought I was gonna die over and over! But everyone would be sad if I died, so I did my best!

You'd be lonely without me after all, wouldn't you?

**Kiyo, Naho,
Sumi** No, we wouldn't.

Zenitsu What?!

Kiyo But I'm glad you made it back alive!

Zenitsu Uh, thanks...

[Action: Another wooden toy flies out into the walking path. Aoi comes out.]

Aoi Oh, Zenitsu, you've returned. Good work.

Zenitsu Aoi! Aoi, you must've missed me, right? I bet you've been lonely!

Aoi Not really.

[Action: Nezuko peeks out from behind the fence.]

Nezuko Heh...

Zenitsu Huh? Mm...

Nezuko Wel... Welcome back.

Zenitsu Wahhh! What?!

Ahhhhh!

**Kiyo, Naho,
Sumi** Ah!

Aoi So loud!

Nezuko W-Welcome back.

Zenitsu She's so cute I could die!

Aoi Sure, feel free to die!

[Action: Zenitsu runs toward Nezuko. Kiyo and Naho are blasted out of the way.]

Kiyo, Naho Ahh!

Zenitsu What happened, Nezuko?! You're talking!

For me, right? It must be for me, right? You did great just for me. I'm so happy!

Aoi Please go somewhere else!

Zenitsu We can finally get married!

Aoi Ngh... Get away from her!

Zenitsu You looked so lovely under the moonlight, but you're also irresistible in the sunlight! You're wonderful! If you marry me, I'll feed you sushi and eel every day! You can rest assured! Let's make a family!

Nezuko Welcome back, Inosuke.

Aoi Pft...

Sumi, Kiyo, Naho Ahh...

Zenitsu Inosuke?

Nezuko Inosuke, welcome back.

[Action: A vein pops in Zenitsu's face.]

Sumi, Kiyo, Naho Ahh...

Zenitsu Where is he? I'm gonna go and kill him.

Aoi Don't say such violent things!

[Scene: In Tanjiro's hospital room. Tanjiro continues eating.]

Gotou By the way, where is that Boar Head?

Tanjiro If you're looking for Inosuke... Huh? He was here this morning...

Gotou Your sister was being taught by that Boar Head, you know?

Tanjirou Being taught what?

Gotou Well, about that...

Inosuke (Flashback) Inosuke! Inosuke! Inosuke! Inosuke!

Nezuko (Flashback) Imosuke! Imofuke!

Inosuke (Flashback) Boss Inosuke!

Nezuko (Flashback) Bush Imosuke!

Inosuke (Flashback) Inosuke! Inosuke! Inosuke! Inosuke!

Gotou He had been trying to get her to remember his name.

Tanjirou Oh, I didn't know that happened.

By the way, do you have any more of these dango?

Gotou You still want more?!

[Scene: In Tanjirou's hospital room. Haganezuka walks toward Tanjirou's bed.]

Tanjirou Oh! Haganezuka!

Haganezuka Ugh...

Tanjirou Are your injuries okay?

Haganezuka Ngh...

Tanjirou Thank goodness!

[Action: Haganezuka breathes heavily.]

Tanjirou Huh?

You don't look okay!

[Action: Haganezuka holds out a sword for Tanjirou.]

Haganezuka Mm, mm, mm...

Tanjirou Oh, my sword. Thank you.

[Action: Tanjirou takes the sword.]

Tanjirou Oh... Ah! It's Rengoku's sword guard!

Thank you for protecting Kotetsu.

Gotou Please have a seat, Haganezuka. Are you all right?

Haganezuka Ahh... Ugh...

[Action: Haganezuka sits down.]

Haganezuka Bla... Bla... Bla...

Tanjirou Do you mean the blade? Okay, I'll look at it!

[Action: Tanjirou unsheathes the sword.]

Tanjirou Ahh...

(Thoughts) Amazing. The depth of the black color is different.

Haganezuka The steel is of good quality. Its previous owner must have been a very strong swordsman.

Tanjirou It has the "slay" character on it...

Haganezuka The swordsmith who forged it had one goal. It's a sword to slay all demons. He didn't engrave his name or anything but just a single character.

The ranking system began after this sword was made, and only the Hashira swords were engraved with "slay the demons".

Tanjirou Is that so? What an incredible sword.

But... I don't think there was anything engraved on it when I used it in the last battle.

Haganezuka Tsk... That's because I had only sharpened it up to the first stage, and you guys took it from me. I hadn't cleaned the rust off! Do you want me to kill you?!

Tanjirou I'm sorry!

Haganezuka Even now, I'm still crying because the pain of my wounds isn't gone! It hurts so much it's unbearable!

[Action: Haganezuka pulls Tanjirou's cheek.]

Tanjirou Gahhh!

Haganezuka Thanks to your interruption while I was sharpening it, I had to start sharpening all over again! Urahhh!

Tanjirou I'm sorry!

Gotou If we're talking about wounds, his wounds were more serious. The bones all through his body were broken.

Tanjirou Huh?

Haganezuka Ngh... I'll kill you!

Gotou Didn't you hear me?

Haganezuka Listen up, Tanjirou!

Tanjirou Eek!

Haganezuka You will bring me mitarashi dango until you die! You understand?! Got it?!

Tanjirou Y-Yes, I will...

[Action: Haganezuka hobbles away.]

Tanjirou Thank you very much. Get well soon...

Gotou I've heard rumors about him, but he's truly something.

Tanjirou Actually, he was calmer than usual. He must really be in pain.

Gotou Seriously?

Genya Can you be quieter, man?

Tanjirou Oh, sorry, Genya.

We're done already. Sorry for being so loud --

[Action: Inosuke jumps through a window.]

Inosuke Urahhh!

**Tanjirou,
Gotou** Eek!

Inosuke Wahahaha!

Tanjirou Gahh! Inosuke! What are you doing?! You broke the window!

Inosuke Wryyyy!

Gotou You fool! Lady Kochou is gonna kill you!

Inosuke Wahoo!

Gotou Shut up!

Inosuke Coming through!

Gah!

Genya (Thoughts) I want a separate room...

Inosuke Strength! Strength! More strength! The joint strengthening drill is about to begin!

Tanjirou Joint strengthening?

Inosuke The strong guys are gathering and giving lessons... or something like that.

Tanjirou Huh? What's that about?

Inosuke Dunno!

Tanjirou I see...

[Scene: At night, at the Ubuyashiki residence. Shinobu finishes writing a set of plans.]

Shinobu I think we've pretty much worked out our training plan for the Corps members.

Shinazugawa Now all that's left are the dates and time periods.

Himejima Let's start in three days.

Shinobu Can we do it that early?

Himejima We're racing against time. Now that we don't know what Muzan Kibutsuji will do in the future, I want us to prepare everything we can.

Iguro If the demons become more active, we alone won't be able to handle them.

Shinobu But wouldn't the demons attack while we're holding the training?

Himejima It's assumed that the demons will focus on capturing Nezuko Kamado. In reality, since the incident at the Swordsmith Village, the appearance of demons has decreased significantly. If that is the case, since we could hardly train others other than our Tsuguko due to our schedules until now, in this short period of time, we should use this opportunity to strengthen the entire Corps.

This is important and urgent.

It is important, and therefore I propose the Hashira training.

Shinazugawa Himejima, no need to be so wordy.

Shinobu I concur.

Iguro No objection.

Tokitou Me, too.

Kanroji I also agree!

Iguro Are there enough active Hashira to hold the training?

Himejima I'm thinking of asking the retired Hashira to help us. Any objections?

Shinazugawa Of course not.

Shinobu The only thing left is... Tomioka.

[Scene: In Tanjirou's hospital room. Zenitsu talks with Tanjirou.]

Zenitsu Haa... I just got back from a mission, and now I have to do the training. I can't stand it.

Tanjirou Are you going now, Zenitsu?

Zenitsu Yeah. We have to take the Hashira training in turns.

Tanjirou Huh? Really? That's amazing.

Zenitsu It's not amazing at all. It's horrible. It's hell.

Whoever proposed this should die already.

Tanjirou Hey!

Sparring with superiors is a shortcut to improving!

When you face someone stronger, you absorb it and get stronger yourself!

Zenitsu Ahhh!

[Action: Zenitsu chews on Tanjirou's head.]

Tanjirou Eek!

Zenitsu If you're so optimistic, then we can no longer be friends!

Tanjirou Ow, ow! That hurts!

Zenitsu It's okay for you! Your bone fractures haven't healed yet! You can just go back to sleep and stay warm! I have to go train now! Do you know how I feel?!

Tanjirou Gahh! I'm sorry, I'm sorry!

Zenitsu Tsk!

[Action: Zenitsu turns to leave the room.]

Tanjirou Oh, Zenitsu!

Zenitsu Don't talk to me!

Tanjirou No, wait a minute!

I forgot to say thank you.

When I was fighting Upper Rank Four and almost couldn't move one of my legs, thanks to the Thunder Breathing trick you taught me, I was able to cut off the demon's head.

Of course, I couldn't do it as fast as you, but thank you so much.

Sometimes connections with others can help us get through tight spots. I'm sure that

everything we learn from the Hashira training will lead to a better future.

Zenitsu You idiot! Don't think that's going to fix my mood~!

Tanjirou (Thoughts) Oh, he looks happy. That's good.

Zenitsu See you later, Tanjirou! Get well soon.

Oh, jeez, everyone's really helpless without me. Fufufufu...

[Action: Zenitsu leaves the room.]

Tanjirou Ahh...

I'm really thankful, Zenitsu.

[Scene: In the mountains. The Hashira training begins. Several Demon Slayers run up the mountain.]

Uzui So slow, so slow, so slow! You're all slow!

What the hell are you doing?! You guys really are unbelievable!

Ngh! First of all, your basic fitness is non-existent! This is just simply running!

Faster! Move as if the demons are chasing you!

Hey, hey, I can't hear your voices! No need to lick the ground! It isn't break time yet!

[Action: Uzui hits a Demon Slayer with his wooden sword.]

Uzui Run one more lap!

Slayer Please, no more...

Uzui You guys are total losers! The training of the active Hashira after this will be even harder!

Hinatsuru As expected, Lord Tengen is more lively when he's on duty.

Makio Well, of course. And we must do our best to help him.

Suma Since everyone is hungry, let's make lots and lots of rice balls!

**Hinatsuru,
Makio** Yeah!

[Action: Hinatsuru, Makio, and Suma make a bunch of rice balls and bowls of soup.]

Makio Lord Tengen, lunch is ready!

Uzui Thanks!

Hey! Your meals are ready!

[Action: Two Demon Slayers fall to the ground.]

Slayers I can't...

I don't feel like eating...

Uzui You guys are really sloppy.

Hinatsuru Lord Tengen, please don't be so mad at them.

Uzui I don't want to be, but if I send them to the next Hashira like this, I'll be the one to blame.

Makio Here, Lord Tengen.

Uzui Thanks.

Suma It's miso soup with lots of salt.

[Action: Uzui drinks some soup.]

Uzui Ahh...

This is nothing compared to their training!

Suma You're in charge of basic fitness workouts, right? What kind of training do they have after this?

Uzui After my training... first is Tokitou's high-speed movement training. He'll do harsh things even with his poker face. Next, they'll be greeted by Kanroji's hellish flexibility training.

Next comes Iguro's training to improve swordsmanship. I tell you the Serpent Hashira is stubborn. After is Shinazugawa's training. I heard it's endless striking training, which, as I'm sure the name implies, will have no end.

The last one is Himejima's muscle strengthening. You have to throw away your humanity for this one.

The Hashira are also expected to improve their strength as well since they have to deal with the Corps members one after another.

What do you think? Isn't that flamboyant?

I wish I had the chance to train with everything I have as well.

I'll leave it to you guys.

[Scene: At Shinazugawa's training camp. Shinazugawa blows a bunch of Demon Slayers away.]

Slayers Ahhh!

Shinazugawa Come on!

Slayer Ahh...

Shinazugawa This ain't gonna raise my temperature. You guys are too weak!

[Scene: At Kanroji's training camp. Kanroji trains a Demon Slayer.]

Slayer Gah... Ahh... Gahh!

Kanroji Good, keep it up!

Try a bit wider!

[Scene: At Iguro's training camp. Iguro incapacitates several Demon Slayers one by one.]

Slayers Gah!

Ugh...

Gah!

Wahh!

Iguro You never know where the enemy will attack.

Feel it.

[Scene: At Tokitou's training camp. Tokitou spars with a Demon Slayer.]

Slayer Ngh!

Tokitou With all these openings, you would have been eaten by demons three times already.

(Thoughts) In order to maintain the marked condition...

Look, your side is open.

[Scene: At Himejima's training camp. Several Demon Slayers meditate under a waterfall.]

Slayers Erk...

Ahh...

Himejima Do your best, everyone.

Slayer Gah...

Himejima This is for the extermination of all demons. For the Master's sake, for the Corps members who have died so far, and for all the people who are still alive, we have to get through this.

Hang in there.

[Scene: In the evening, at Tanjirou's hospital room. A kasugai crow pecks the window.]

Tanjirou Hm?

What's this?

[Action: Tanjirou opens the window. The kasugai crow pecks Tanjirou's forehead.]

Crow Caw!

Tanjirou Gahhh!

Ah, I'm bleeding!

What are you doing so suddenly? That's mean!

[Action: The kasugai crow takes a paper off its leg.]

Crow Hurry, hurry. It's a letter from the Master. Read it at once.

Tanjirou A letter for me? I wonder what it is.

[Action: Tanjirou reads the letter.]

Tanjirou Ah...!

Tomioka isn't participating in the Hashira training?

[Scene: At the Ubuyashiki residence. Amane sits by Kagaya's bedside.]

Amane Master Kagaya, the Hashira have begun to train the Corps members for the upcoming battle.

Your children are carrying your will and connecting with your feelings. They are willing to do it for the long-held ambition of defeating Muzan Kibutsuji.

[Action: Kagaya's hand moves. Amane takes his hand.]

Kagaya Amane.

Amane Yes?

Kagaya Thank you... for everything... you have done.

Amane Ah...

Of course...

[Scene: At Tamayo's house. Tamayo continues her research. A kasugai crow flies into the window.]

Tamayo Ah...!

Crow Good evening, Tamayo.

It is dangerous to leave a window open at night.

But still, the moon is beautiful tonight.

It is a pleasure to meet you. I am the messenger of Kagaya Ubuyashiki.

admit you are very good at hiding. While I was trying to find you, Ubuyashiki became unable to move.

Tamayo How did you find this place?

Crow The human network. I have identified the previous owner of the house you bought.

Also, during the day, I could grasp how Yushirou's vision works.

Even though I am trained, I am just a crow. No one is wary of me to begin with. I have no intention of harming you two, so rest assured.

Tamayo Then what do you want?

Crow Hmm... You are suspicious of me. It is understandable.

As expected, it is difficult for me to gain your trust as Tanjirou did.

Tamayo (Thoughts) What are his intentions? Is Ubuyashiki trying to deceive me?

Where is Yushirou?

Crow There is no need to worry about Yushirou.

[Action: A noise comes from upstairs.]

Tamayo Ah...

Crow Listen. You can hear his footsteps as he comes running.

Now... I shall tell you my business.

In the Demon Slayer Corps, there is a child who is knowledgeable about demon bodies and pharmacology.

We would like you to look into Nezuko's transformation with her.

Tamayo Ah...

Crow Would you work with us in order to defeat Muzan Kibutsuji?

We invite you to the Ubuyashiki residence.

Tamayo (Thoughts) I, a demon, am invited to the Demon Slayer Corps headquarters?