Hey everyone!

This is my running impression of Muv Luv as I read.

Right now we're reading Sumika's diary. It's pretty adorable! I love the animations.

She seems to already be in love with him. Wonder how that's going to fit with the route structure and all.

Oooh, fighting robots!

I expect a terrible, terrible callback to this in MLA.

Is this robot fighting an arcade game, or is it some sort of training exercise? Looks like an arcade after all.

So Takeru is a gaming geek, is he? Counting attack animation frames, not bad.

Takeru groped Sumika in his sleep? Was he dreaming about a joystick?

hahahaha Sumika's face as Takeru is groping her. Impending doom in the background.

Hmm. Another pervy protagonist then?

Not sure what I think about Sumika's voice. It's pretty nice I guess, but it's a bit more.. raspy than I'm used to?

hahaha Sumika rage. Moving in like a boxer.

Train station background. The production value on this is much higher than I expected. I thought ML would be pure trash and only MLA would be good. This actually looks nice, and at least Sumika is going along through a lot of poses right now!

I \*love\* how going in and out of backlog does not stop auto-read mode.

So where *are* Takeru's parents going? Siberia or the Agean sea? Am I overthinking this as a result of Umineko?

Still, I rather like Sumika so far. She's cute!

Since a lot of smart-alecks on Reddit like to "subtly" hint at spoilers though, it's hard to forget that Sumika will end up being chomped somehow. I expect her head to be bitten off. That's going to suck.

Takeru's a serious foodie. Also, I guess Sumika is pretty rich.

Sumika is inviting Takeru over? She's pretty forward. Although with them being osananajimi it's probably no big deal. I'm assuming he hasn't been to her place yet though since she's describing what her place has.

Is Sumika thinking about the wrong type of mushroom in her miso soup? Maybe she's not rich but just really ditzy?

Still, I'd rather not read this while hungry.

Sumika was thinking about the wrong mushrooms. Called it -- but why did she punch him for it?

haha he passed out?

"This is embarrassing, people are looking at your dead body. I am going". omg.

Takeru is kind of a jerk to Sumika. I mean, she does keep hitting him but still. Takeru baka.

Takera is so serious about matsutake.

Aww, can't afford it. Poor guy.

Puppy! Takeru scared it away? Bah! Hahahaha, yes, take his food! Takeru ate the dog's meal!! Is this the infamous CHOMP scene?!

The production quality on this is really pretty damn nice! Tons of CGs and stuff, and I like the visual style. Shame the fullscreen resolution is so low, but I guess you can't win them all.

Puppy got Takeru's fries. Happy ending!

Takeru used to have pissing contests on Sumika's house walls? God Takeru, aren't you a charmer. Also who the hell pees straight up?? God Takeru, you were just the worst kid ever. He *is* a baka!

So Sumika is Takeru's only friend right now. Okay.

Ah, Takeru promised to marry Sumika in the sandbox, didn't he?

Of course he did. Okay, this is a bit cliche.

But the execution is nice!

Tired "you forgot our promise" drama. She obviously remembers.

Takeru promised to introduce Sumika to an alien, and also promised something on Christmas.

Damn you Reddit people. It's so hard to forget those dumb comments.

hahahahaha book in face. "I didn't think you'd notice".

Is Takeru teasing Sumika about how she wakes him up?

First choice, deciding whether to be nice to Sumika or blame the dog.

Going to be nice to Sumika here, since I like her and I don't like Takeru being too much of a jerky-jerk.

Ha. Sumika doesn't even buy it, and Takeru complains about the dog again. Was that a fake choice after all?

Takeru asks Sumika how she intends to wake him. I guess it's because she has no key. She's going to slide in through the window, isn't she? Unless she was given a key.

Poor Takeru and his outdated gear. Being a gamer is hard.

# Monday, October 22nd

Oh, so Sumika's secret technique is to yell outside the door. How delightfully pathetic. haha chain lock. She had a key; called it. Takeru is no fool either though, so that's nice. Is Sumika going to break the door down? Or just pound on it forever hahahaha

Oh, a strange voice?
Ok, I know this is Meiya.
What the hell is she doing here?
I like her voice better than Sumika's.
Is she going to knock Takeru out now?

Sumika is going to smash the door, heh. Walk in on them now? ~drama~

Seems Takeru does not know Meiya either. Interesting.

Poor Sumika. Tense music, too. Nice soundtrack.

hahahaha Meiya, this is not how hiding works.

I love Sumika's ahoge. It has so many poses!

Yeah SURE Takeru, Sumika is totally going to turn a blind eye to this. (You are dead. RIP in pieces).

Is Meiya going to go in for the block?

No. Yay, OP sequence!

We got to the OP way sooner than I expected. I like the music. Kind of generic but nice.

Engine seems to have some issues with the video though; the framerate sucks and there are a lot of skips. I blame my weak computer.

Unfortunately my stronger laptop has that crazy resolution going on, so if I play on it it might be impossible to see the VN at all.

I might consider switching over though, depending on how bad it gets. I suppose I could play at 400% window size instead of fullscreen.

Did Meiya just leave?

hahaha, saying "I don't know who she was" does not make it better Takeru. Explain better! Kind of a donkan, Takeru.

hahahahahahaha Sumika took the chain lock apart? Brilliant.

Yeah, I think Sumika's voice is growing on me. Also she's seriously cute in a standard anime way.

hahaha nice theory Takeru. Try saying it in red. Not very convincing.

Sumika is carrying a doll? Why is it a Santaman? (Homestar Runner references... probably going to be pretty obscure)

Did Takeru give Sumika the original bunny doll? Is that why she's holding on to it like that? It looks like a pretty simple story so far, but I don't think that's a bad thing at all.

Breaking Sumika and Takeru's routine, that must be the infamous Class Rep (last name Sakaki, heh. Box cutter?).

Class Rep has a truly fearsome angry face. Seems like she and Takeru get along just fine. She looks like she's going to tear his face off.

Does \*everyone\* hit Takeru on a regular basis?

The Class Rep seems like Sumika much more than she does Takeru. I think this is understandable. He's kind of a prick.

Telling the rep to come wake him in the morning after she gave him all those death glares? Are you suicidal, Takeru?

I expect a Bad End now. :P

Miki-chan also arrived. She's the pink-haired mini-Sumika, is she? Why does she have this gigantic bell? That's ridiculously oversized.

Miki sounds kind of similar to Sumika. Slightly more high-pitched.

Marimo-chan? Oh, is that her actual name? (In One Piece, Sanji calls Zoro 'Marimo' to make fun of his green hair).

Teacher does \*not\* have green hair. Surprising.

Mikoto, the video game buddy, is a dude.

Waiting for Meiya to be introduced as a transfer student.

Is Miki the same age as everyone else? Or is this a mixed class for some reason?

I should really stop looking at every single thing that could be off and suspect it as being a major plot thread. Overthinking this story might not be good. Not sure if I can predict this whole story or not, but it probably won't contribute much to my enjoyment anyway. Hehehe, teacher is sassy!

And here's Meiya. She has a sword? She brought a fucking sword to school? hahaha, and Meiya is doing yobisute from the very start? Kind of outrageous. She's going to refer to his bed. Of course she is. hahahahahaha

So what's up with Meiya? Did she and Takeru know each other a few years ago?

Obligatory Takeru interrogation. Heh. hahahahaha "DON'T YELL THAT WE SLEPT TOGETHER" Smooth.

Miki has some nice observations! Also she has a tail?! I guess that explains the huge bell. She's a catgirl. Also seems to be a bit of a perv.

haha Miki's cat eyes. Reminds me of Dlanor.

Meiya is SO forward.

"I exist for your sake" wtf?

Meiya commenting on the catgirl situation. I see. And Miki does not say what she is. I guess she's just wearing a tail and might be a bit of a chuuni or something.

Meiya is pretty manipulative. Or rather, relies heavily on emotional blackmail. Heh. She's a demon, isn't she? Wait did she just grope him now? Or he groped her by mistake since she got so close.

Takeru is going to be beaten to death before school ends.

hahahahhahaa nice invitation Sumika. "Come eat [or die]".

I expect having to choose who to eat with now.

Okay, Meiya is a complete outsider and knows nothing about the world, does she? She's going to use her sword to get Takeru a meal, isn't she?

**WHAT** 

Meiya asked for a military supply drop? Are you fucking kidding me. ARE YOU FUCKING KIDDING ME.

They airdropped chefs? I don't know what to say even. Holy mother of fuck. WHAT THE FUCK

Now Takeru! Ask for the mushroom!

Only Takeru gets to eat, right?

Mitsurugi family kitchens? Is she just super rich? I was expecting more of a government connection.

....The line of CHEFS went all the way into the corridor? Jesus.

HAHA I am going for the Imperial Feast. I mean come on. hahahahaha Sumika sniped him. How cute! And the class rep. And Miki. Lovely!

Damn, I wanted that meal. :(

So Meiya is stalking Takeru now? Interesting.

So Meiya does not yobisute with Sumika.

Meiya describing her house and it's right next to where Takeru's. Expecting it to be Takeru's home. But Meiya was a bit strange about how she said she moved there. Was she assigned to go there?

Meiya seems to be kind of poetic.

The depths of the hearts of humankind cannot be known. But in my birthplace the plum blossoms smell the same as in the years gone by.

I like the last three lines at least.

Meiya seems to be a very literal thinker.

I imagine Takeru used to play with Meiya in the park too. They probably made a promise there too.

Park is going to be closed? Is Meiya going to buy it up, then?

The park is clearly very important to Meiya. Takeru does not care, which is predictable because he's a fucking baka.

Meiya walked off on her own? Strange. Ah, that was in order to sneak into Takeru's house. Not surprised. And she already bought the park up? Wow. Meiya is efficient!

hahaha, so Sumika was told about this whole thing in advance, never told Takeru, and now is demanding answers from him? Very rational!

Yeah, this feels a bit like a skit now, with Takeru and Sumika ignoring Meiya's attempt at explaining.

Oh, Meiya brought a staff of servants? hahaha. "Who the hell do you think I am", nice reference!

Made Sumika cry again. Jerky-jerk!

Who is this servant, then? Does she have a route?

### October 23rd

Takeru was much nicer as a kid. Seems he wanted to play with Sumika instead of watching his favorite show. Seems it was because he used to take his promises very seriously at the time. (But still called Sumika an idiot a lot).

They played nicely enough though.

More of Takeru sleep-groping. Meiya does not particularly care. What exactly is the connection between the two of them?

Quite an inversion of the Sumika morning routine.

Oh, the servant girl prepared a mackerel dish. Nice to meet you, Kumasawa.

Aww, Takeru is forbidding Meiya from his bed. Is she going to refuse that? Sumika arrives just before explaining the situation. And Meiya is already working to get Sumika out of the way?

Tsukuyomi is going to kick Sumika way, isn't she? Water bucket? Oh, she actually let her in.

Seems like Sumika really has her work cut out for her.

Meiya has a license to sleep with Meiya, signed by his dad and the prime minister?? Wut? And she sent Takeru's parents on a trip around the world to get them out of the way. They sold him out kind of cheaply, didn't they?

And they're out of the way for two months at least. That makes sense.

And now Meiya is asking him to be gentle (when groping), probably intending to make Sumika jealous? Is Meiya oblivious or doing this on purpose? Sumika is looking for blood. Wow, Meiya just referred to herself as 'your woman'? Or did she mean in general?

Heh, Sumika punched him out of the house?

Meiya did ask Sumika to come along, so at least she's not a complete bitch.

...Huge limousine. Seriously? They're two people!!

Meiya had damn better let Sumika ride along with them.

Hoping to get a Ronove vibe from Takahasi later on. So far he's pretty plain, despite showing off a tiny bit.

SIXTY METER LIMOUSINE. What the fuck.

haha, Sumika is fighting to establish her territory. She's understandably jealous.

I wonder how long these antics will go.

Takeru, you jerk. Of course she's jealous, you twit!

Don't tease her too much.

Takeru truly is blessed with being a donkan?

....Hit by a car? What the fuck?!

Yuuko-sensei just hit her with her car? What the fuck is this teacher. Seriously what the fuck! Sumika is back on her feet. Pretty resilient girl. Kind of an outrageous top she's got, too.

Heh, I liked the description of Sumika as violent. Tsukuyomi is enforcing Meiya's keigo with a stun baton. So Meiya should be very, very well aware of how crazy her yobisute with Takeru is. She's not as naive as she might seem, then?

Meiya is the heir of a giant zaibatsu.

Okay so according to Tsukuyomi, the Mitsurugi Zaibatsu has been practically leading Japan for two thousand years now, being a leader in every conceivable sector? Jesus. Protocols of the Elders of Zion, anyone?

Oh, Tsukuyomi had a knife (or an electric knife)?

Did Yuuko pass out from shock? Kind of surprised; I did expect her to just shrug it off. I guess Yuuko \*is\* human after all, despite being kind of outrageous.

Sumika refuses to leave Takeru's side whenever Meiya is around. Heh.

Oh, Sakaki is going to see Takeru and Sumika walking together now. Even if they're early now, she's probably going to kick Takeru's ass for walking together with Sumika like that. Heh. Just a light scolding. Sasuga Chizuru!

Aww, I guess Chizuru's Lacrosse club is going to fall apart?

Meiya was not familiar with the sport, but she's probably excited because she heard the sport is related to martial arts somehow.

Meiya probably practices kendo.

They have an indoor pool at school? Damnit! I hate you people! Why did my school not have a pool? Screw you all!

The demon for the 100-meter freestyle... is that going to be Meiya again? Meiya with her literal thinking again. The Demon is in class D. Takeru is in class C, isn't he?

...haha, of course Meiya has a named sword. Why wouldn't she? And a family swordfighting style. Mitsurugi Mugen Kidou -- Infinite Demon Arts? (going by literal translation, and Kidou being translated as per Bleach manga, so it's probably not the best translation out there. Although I kind of like associating Meiya with a demon because holy mother of god).

And now Meiya is going to murder a student before class. Takeru is pretty realistic about the situation. Sumika is a bit more hopeful than he is.

Yuuko just came in from Class D. Probably due to Meiya's antics. Takeru is going to die now, isn't he?

HAHAHAHAHA "keep your harem under control". Nice technicalities. Takeru.

Yes Takeru, what did you do that made Meiya swing a sword murderously in the middle of class? Explain yourself Takeru!

Heh. And now Sumika just made it worse.

Takeru you should run about now.

Hehehe, even Marimo hates him now.

Sumika is making sure Chizuru takes insult to Takeru's comment about Lacrosse.

What is Takeru trying to say here? One could think he had a past with the class rep, but he almost certainly did not. So this is his form of teasing her, is it?

So what's the story of Chizuru's rivalry with the former captain? Oh, now he groped Chizuru.

Ayamine -- she must be the swimming demon, and Chizuru's rival.

I am going to guess Ayamine might have feelings for Chizuru? Oh no, Ayamine was absent the day before. And she just showed up late for class. Ayamine is a terrible liar.

haha. Okay, I was completely wrong about Ayamine. She's kind of low-energy though.

Lunchtime again. Sumika and Meiya both show up with the meal. Need to choose? I am going to go with Sumika if I get a choice. You damn baka Takeru!

Oh wow, Meiya broke out the matsutake mushrooms. I think Takeru is going to cry. I doubt there's even going to be a choice here. Or rather, if there is a choice, refusing this bento should lead to an instant Bad End.

Takeru thinks he can't finish both bentos? What a wuss! I also like that "run away" is an option here. That one is going to be awesome on a future read.

Right now I still like Sumika the best. Meiya is a bit too OP and strange. Crappy bento it is! I wonder how Meiya is going to handle a minor loss. Probably won't mind. She seems the type to be as cool as a cucumber.

Aww, Meiya pouts! But she recovered quickly, and Miki gets the super bento. Yeah, Meiya seems pretty tough.

Oh, Meiya did plan for the contingency that Takeru will not accept her bento. She's very pragmatic. Sumika is feeding Takeru with a spork? hahaha.

Sumika seems pretty happy about it though, so that's cute.

haha, Takeru wants a more manly bento? This is going to blow up in his face so badly. Also refuses to commit to eat her bento.

ROFL. "Competition is the basis of capitalism". Takeru, you are the absolute worst.

Seems like Sumika is pretty quick to emerge from her shell. Although it's really always been Takeru who's been a jerk.

Did Takeru just get tackled? What's that bubbling sound? Or is that a chemistry lab.

Is he seeing this now, or is that a flashback?

...The teacher Marimo is dressed up as a succubus? Is this cosplay? What the hell? Yuuko is pretty chuni. Heh.

hahahaha she grabbed and pulled him in there?!

Yuuko you're insane. Mario why are you playing along with her?

Is Marimo a cosplayer? hahahhaahaha. You damn troll Yuuko. I like you.

Oh, Yuuko is punishing Marimo for Meiya's antics and Tsukuyomi coming to stop her? hahaha, Yuuko is pretty shameless.

Drinking coffee out of vials. How not suspicious at all.

Poor Marimo. Life must be so hard. Life seems hard for Marimo.

Oh, Mario and Yuuko were students together? Even worse.

hahaha Yuuko is warning Takeru to make sure to develop enough flags, or to not get stuck in the middle----

holy mother of god what? Yuuko transferred that kid out in order to make room for Meiya in the class? Are you fucking serious? What the fuck.

And now Yuuko reduced Sumika and Meiya to foods. Sumika has a lot of 'salmon' in her ("spunk"?), and Meiya inexplicably seems to like Takeru.

I wonder if these lines change based on prior choices, like an indicator for how far I'd gotten so far.

Although I only just started reading this. If the common route is even halfway done, it's going to be a surprisingly short read.

Heh. Yuuko is promising us more Marimo fanservice for the next time. Sasuga Yuuko.

Oh, Chizuru wants something? No, just cleaning duty. With Ayamine? Yup. Ayamine does not seem happy about it. Predictably, Chizuru is having none of it. ......hahahaha "dog of the system". Ayamine is a tiny anarchist, isn't she?

Ayamine: "I said Shirogane said I didn't have to". omfg.

Aww, Chizuru is also doing the cleaning duty. Is Sumika going to join in now?

I guess Ayamine just dumped it on Sumika. Shocked that Chizuru would let that slide.

Ayamine dumped the work on Sumika \*and\* Meiya. And Sumika immediately started doing it? Sumika really is clingy. Will Meiya also join in?

Of course she will, but she's not as open about her motive. Well, compared to Sumika that's not saying very much.

Bah, did I get a Class Rep flag by helping clean? Might need to be less responsible as Takeru then. Heh.

Meiya has interesting ideas about parenthood. Yoroi is gay. It's not that hard to come out and say it.

Looks like Meiya is a bit suffocated by her pampered life.

Tsukuyomi said she would take care of "the morning incident". Is she going to assassinate the demon student?

How DOES a sixty meter limousine turn? Takeru has a good fucking point! People are in moving trucks all around Takeru's place. Did Meiya buy out the entire neighbourhood, or just those two houses?

Oh, Meiya just bought out the house next to Takeru? Okay, that's slightly less creepy than just isolating him. But why would she need to clear out two houses?

Aww, Sumika is going to come wake Takeru up. So sweet. I fully expect Meiya to prevent this, possibly even with a bear trap.

Did nobody come wake Takeru now? Or did he just naturally awake before time.

...Wait. Meiya added a new door to his room.

SHE CONNECTED THE HOUSES?! WHAT THE FUCK
MEIYA YOU OUTRAGEOUS

It opens straight into Meiya's bedroom? Damn that girl is sneaky.

Takeru saw Meiya's boobs. Is Tsukuyomi advising Meiya to murder Takeru? Oh, she just threw a clock at him.

The sound effects are so good here!

Is Takahashi's theory about how his fucking limousine is capable of making a turn?

Everybody is walking again. Funny. I guess it's because we like Sumika more than Meiya right now?

Sumika is going to *explode* when she hears about that door.

Physics class with Yuuko. Takeru fell asleep and now she's going to torture him. Just curious to look at the blackboard: it seems they're learning about magnetism? I assume those aren't Up and Down quarks in the diagram.

...Holy shit, they are. Is it normal to learn about quarks in high school Physics class? Crazy!

Quantum Causality Theory? Okay, there is no fucking way. Shouldn't that be at the second year of a pure Physics degree, at bare minimum? I know Takeru's school is supposed to be very good (judging by Sumika's prologue), but this is going way too far. I guess it's just to show how outrageous Yuuko is, again.

Seriously what the fuck. Everyone is so crazy in this school.

I expect Meiya would know this?

Sumika at least admits to not knowing. That's nice of her.

Okay, *nobody* can know this... wait, Yuuko is teaching an original theory of hers? WHAT.

Henyuus are cute!

Yuuko is a demon.

Is Takeru going to telephone a friend? Or... of course! He's going to channel his mind with the power of friendship! This is absolutely reasonable!

Straw appeared?

It... it is hopping. This is Marimo, isn't it?

Yoroi? The summoning worked?!

Mikoto's death throes saved Takeru from a hard question. Amazing.

Oh, there's Mikoto. Still not clear about his gender, but he seems cute. Well, from the 'kun' suffix he's a guy.

Holy shit Mikoto. Got picked up by a tuna boat? Dropped on an island? Also, has no idea who his classmates are or how they look like.

Takeru, you fucking troll.

Mikoto seems like a sociable and pleasant guy, all things considered. Quite the opposite of G-Senjou's Eiichi.

Another lunch challenge? No, Meiya gave up it seems.

Oh, time for the manly bento. This is going to be awful. I expect a box of dicks.

The other bento is exactly the same, isn't it? No... she got good meat? Wow! What the hell is manga meat? Oh damn, Meiya with her bento again. I thought she gave up! Damnit, even though I'm not \*that\* fond of Meiya, having to pick Sumika each time is a little heartbreaking.

....what the fuck. Why does every bento Meiya make have to cost thousands of dollars?

Thank you Miki. You are making this choice much easier.

This must be why everyone says the MLA trilogy is so traumatic.

Just imagining Meiya's disappointment.

As you chomp at the delicious food.

I want to go with Sumika's, but for my first readthrough maybe it's better to see things a bit more balanced even if they lead into a Boring End. So Meiya's bento it is!

Sumika is so sad :(
Sumika's meat is just Mystery Meat?
God Takeru is such a dick.

Going to let Mikoto down too, are we? Nope. Best bromance, eating with Mikoto! Wait, Meiya didn't even say anything? The hell is that about. :(

Cleaning duty again? Bah!

Screw this, I'm not cleaning today! Time to run away. ...There was no option! :-(

...I kind of like Chizuru's aggressive side. Guess that one's going to be left for her route at the end though.

Choice about what to do in the school now? Interesting choice. Not sure what the choices are going to be, except 'wander aimlessly' will probably have us meet Yuuko. What about the back of the school? Lacrosse with Chizuru?

Going for the aimless wander!

Chizuru again? No, I didn't want her :/
Oh well. No backtracking so early in the game!

Poor Chizuru. She's kind of hard on herself.

Also I just suddenly realized how insanely huge her hair is.

Oh, Sumika and the rest were waiting on the way out. Nice. Oh no, we missed out on the chance to play Valgernon? Sucks!

...Woo, we're still going.

Does Meiya have problems going on the train? Except never having been on a train. hahahaha Meiya with the ticket machine.

Meiya hardly understands how money works? What the hell.

Oh, so Meiya has been on trains. Just not on local ones (and she probably had chauffeurs anyway).

Oh no, Meiya and the claw machine. She's going to go bankrupt!

I hope Valgernon is a minigame!! It looks awesome. Hype! There is hype!! The Engrish is not as bad as I thought.

Damn this is cool.

Okay, we get choices to play with. That's not too bad. Let's see!

Damn Takeru, don't drop the ball now!

Damn! The same loss as in the flashback?! No way, reload!

Bah. Looks like it was unbeatable after all.

WHAT Meiya bought--- "Are you the Shirogane that lives one kilometer from my house"? what the hell.

Does Meiya make a point of being pointless whenever he walks in? Is she pulling an Amane? Oh, this time it was a baseball. Heh.

Sumika's not as crazy-jealous as I thought.

I like that "eh-hen!".

So how is Meiya going to block Sumika from waking Takeru up tomorrow? Heh.

### October 25th

Another flashback, Nice.

CHIBI SUMIKA! You're so cute!

Oh, now Takeru is going to give Sumika the Santa doll, isn't he? Called it.

awwww~

Don't tease her so much!

rofl that snot trail is reaching halfway to the floor.

And all the way! ROFL!!!!! HAHAHA THAT LEAF OMG!!!

Yay, Sumika woke Takeru up! ...Oh. Something happened? What's up?

....is Meiya walling him off?

Why is she building a thousand kilometer high wall around his place?

At least Takeru can knock. He's going to get hit anyway... oh, locked. So she left.

What is Tsukuyomi doing here? Did she open the door on his face? An Tsukuyomi with the quick escape! haha.

Tsukuyomi is undoubtedly overreacting over something extremely petty.

Finally Takeru remembered that he gave Sumika the doll. Still a prick though. Give her a new doll already.

Homework. I went with Sumika again. Oh, is this just looping back? Nope. Sumika didn't even wake him up? Not likely Takeru's paper had anything on it. Aww. Can't rely on Sumika at all!

Stole Sumika's paper to cheat off of her. Fancy.

He's going to get her to fail, isn't he? You prick.

Another lunch choice! I might skip Sumika again just for the schoolwork shenanigans. That will teach her!

Who are these midgets? <Can you speak JapanESE?>

That blonde midget maid's voice makes me think of Komari from Little Busters!.

....Why did they just punch him, exactly?

Smoke bomb hahahahaha

Sumika is going to cook a full meal now? Wow.

Meiya doesn't even know how the food was made? Ehh.

Fine, I'll go with Sumika again.

Because she is so much better than Meiya anyway.

Sumika: "eat it".

> Went with Sumika's lunch again.

Aww. She has such a cute smile. Poor Mikoto. He wants the food.

Could have tried with 'eat both'.

I wonder if it would have resolved with a combined meal anyway.

Now choosing which sports facility to visit. Let's try the archery, since we haven't seen Miki at all vet.

Seems like Miki is the sniper type then. Nice. Cute blush! So nice to see blushing sprites done right.

So Meiya also knows about archery. Is she more of a jack-of-all-trades then?

Oh, are they driving out of school someplace different? Strange.

Is that Takeru's home with the new walls?

whattt

Where are they, and why did they park a kilometer away?

Is this Meiya's family's home? Did they raze the entire neighborhood?

Walls for Meiya's ROOM? Meiya's room is a mansion? Is that tiny squiggle with the tunnel Takeru's home?

Jesus christ what the hell is this.

Takeru still can't ask Meiya normally why she came here? Almost disappointing.

Oh, he finally -did- ask. Did he ask in an insulting tone? Is Meiya going to be sad because Takeru forgot? Strange, strange woman.

Takeru unintentionally addressed Meiya casually (omae), and she's pretty happy about it. Okay.

Oh no. The midget trio is here.

What now? Did they walk in to clean and fix the place up, or is it an H-scene? hahahaa this is not a very convincing act.

Oh, Tsukuyomi sent them in to apologize.

Oh no, they've been made to serve Takeru? Who are you trying to punish here?!

hahaha. Nice escape attempt. Very friendly midgets they are.

Great. They're going to clean up while insulting him forever. This is Sumika's answer sheet, isn't it?

No, just a random solved exam with a good grade. Well, we do know Takeru is not dumb. Just lazy.

And the midgets decided he forgave them and released themselves from service. Heh. Tsukuyomi kicking their asses in 3...2..1.... No? Strange.

Sumika just said she knows everything? That's not ominous at all.

## October 26th

Did Takeru kiss Sumika now? Is that her route? Seems a bit early still...

I guess it was a dream. And Meiya beat Sumika to the punch? Or maybe she snuck in, kissed him and ran away.

Could something have happened? Or did Tsukuyomi stuff her in a closet? Maybe the three of them intercepted Sumika because they thought she was an intruder. YUP.

hahahahahahahahah

Jeez, who could have \*possibly\* tried to get those midgets to stuff Sumik into the trunk of the limousine?

rofl. And Tsukuyomi forgot to put on her polite non-demonic face. Nice. Sumika is going to murder them.

You are getting played Takeru. hahaha. Moron.

This is pretty awesome really. Tsukuyomi, nice!

What camaraderie!

Why would Takeru want to forgive them? Strange.

hahaha, straight to lunch. Sumika is super aggressive today.

And the midgets try to make Takeru eat without even looking at what it is. It's probably all filled with crushed glass.

Why does Takeru have this ominous feeling? Strange. Still, no way Meiya's lunch could be safe.

Yuuko knows them?? Guess she's going to take them a lesson now. Heh.

Yuuko is out to take over the school? hahaha

hahaha "You are a love nucleus".

Is Yuuko trying to develop a Higgs Boson equivalent theoretical particle to explain women's attraction to Takeru? If so, nice science!

"This is the kind of nonsense that gets you ignored by the scientific community", indeed.

Wait, Yuuko already knows about Takeru's new mansion? It hadn't even been 24 hours yet. Sure word would travel quickly, but not that quickly.

I guess we're going to later find out that Yuuko is clued in on much more than we'd expect. She's probably a bit too competent for a high school teacher anyway.

#### Cooking tournament? Awesome!

Sumika is pumped up. Meiya seems kind of disinterested. Or does she think she's so far superior to Sumika that it's pointless?

No. She's just a fatalist it seems. Her future with Takeru is already decided?

What is normal here, Meiya?

Oh, is Chizuru also going to participate? haha.

Yuuko is playing her so easily.haha.

"Try to win, Chizuru, so you can cockblock Takeru!"

And she's in, of course.

#### Ayamine? Why?

This harem is way bigger than it should be.

Yuuko stop recruiting random people.

So Miki will be joining in order to get rivalry-based bonds. Okay.

What is Ayamine's motive then? Interesting.

hahah, Marimo shut down instantly!

This tournament is going to be fun.

Nobody even woke Takerup up today. All busy cooking I guess.

haha. Don't sink into self-pity, Takeru!
HAHAHAHA WHAT
Meiya got the Iron Chef people to judge the cooking? Are you insane?
hahahha.

Oh, and here's Mikoto to geek out about everything.

God, this midget routine never gets old.

Tsukuyomi is worried about everyone messing up the kitchen? Or is it more than that? Maybe it's because Meiya is a horrid cook.

What a fake laugh.

Is it Mikoto? Did Tsukuyomi fall in love with him? Ayamine is such a sloppy liar. Heh.

Is Mikoto also making food? hahahahahaha yes, I called it! Tsukuyomi is all over Mikoto!

"You two seem friendly" my ass. Mikoto is traumatized. Is Takeru going to eat the entire pot of rice now? Are you an idiot Takeru? Seems he does have a bit more self-control than that.

Ooh, choice time! This will probably determine the winner. > Sumika!

hahahaha, Sumika is forbidden from talking to Takeru? Asshole midgets! It was a nice moment too.

Who the hell made plain yakisoba bread?

"You idiot, the executive producer never does anything".

My grandmother was a producer. Had she still been around, she would have had a word with the writers of this.

Wow, Sumika's dish looks.... kind of insane. oh my god. oh no. THIS IS NOT HOW COOKING WORKS.

Did Meiya cook by herself?

Wait, did she prepare the entire--oh, she just made a few samples. Okay, that makes sense (216 dishes). Wait, Meiya \*did\* get chefs to prepare this? Or did they just advise?

Poor Tamase, following after Meiya. Also what the fuck is this? The CGs in this are so great!

Miki might actually be pretty good at this, even if the design is weird as hell.

Chizuru made some pretty nice bentos. Also the artwork again, so good!

And Ayamine with the yakisoba bread.

hahaha. That's insane.

oh god. Am I supposed to decide now?? I want to say Sumika but she prepared a damned atrocity! Going with Ayamine would be hilarious.

Oh screw it, I'll just do Sumika now, then Meiya, then start going with walkthroughs the cover everything else. Normally it would be Meiya though.

And now we get a Sumika date.

Meiya is a graceful loser. That's nice.

# October 28th (Sumika date?)

Amusement park... is this the infamous Sumika date that always crashes? I hope my VM can handle it.

Rollercoaster's "Selling point number 2: ten loops in a row!".

Pretty sure that's actually fatal. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Euthanasia Coaster

Aww, poor lost child.

My god, he called Sumika an old lady. This kid is dead. Also she left the kid alone? My god Sumika.

HAHAHAHA "the old lady will be back".

haha.

Wait is this a terrorist attack or something? Or a very strange attraction?

WHY ARE THEY DOING A NAZI SALUTE my god

Sumika just joined them?
Was that Sumika?
I guess not.
So basically Power Rangers. Jesus.
Is this Meiya? This is Meiya isn't it? She was stalking them!!

Meiya this is a real sword, you crazy crazy woman!!!

She decapitated the actor?! Are you insane!!!!! jesus mother what the fuck

Aww, Sumika's confession. Cute. No actual confession? No kiss? Heh.

Uh huh. Meiya was reading. Of course she was. Tsukuyomi is a surprisingly poor liar.

#### October 29th

Another wake-up bait and switch? Crazy. Why did she sleep in his bed? Poor Sumika. Evil Meiya!

Did Meiya decide to step up her game?
I thought this was already Sumika's route though.
Interesting.
Poor Sumika. She's really struggling here.
Takeru, you are a damn idiot.

Ayamine is so strange. What's between her and Chizuru?

As usual, Meiya has zero common sense.

Oooh, another Yuuko lesson. Yay! Aww, and it's already over.

Why is Yuuko trying to encourage Chizuru to play Lacrosse?
Yuuko, so manipulative. Well, having a huge Lacrosse event might be pretty cool anyway.

Funny that Yuuko and Marimo are rivals. Yuuko seems so much stronger. I guess they made a scary bet on the outcome of the Lacrosse match.

hahahaha. Yuuko's class had a "swimsuit photo tournament" for the cultural festival? What a filthy cheater.

Who is this dopey girl joining? Her eyes look weird. Is she on drugs?

Well, this is still not enough people. Ayamine should also join, no? Yup. That would make a team. Wait, Chizuru doesn't want her? What a strange rivalry they have.

I wonder if I want to spend the time trying to puzzle out Ayamine. She doesn't seem as strange as I thought she would be though, but her route will surely explain it.

So Takeru is going to go convince Ayamine now?

Oooh! Sumika asked Takeru out! About time!
...hahaha. That heartbeat is making me think of Katawa Shoujo.
Take her on a date you baka!
> Go out with her
Damn straight

Oh Sumika. You are so much better than Meiya.

### October 30th

Damnit! The date was just a trap to get Takeru to jog with Sumika? Sumika, that wasn't nice. :P

hahahaha Akane. Shots fired, and a quick escape!

Meiya and her casual speech fetish. ha.

There letters are all from Tsukuyomi, aren't they? Mikoto is totally going to play water polo. Oh, there *were* women? Takeru you asshole! hahaha

Can nobody solve Yuuko's questions? Or is Chizuru just completely out of it? Guess so.

Takeru, stop teasing Chizuru. She clearly wants help with Ayamine.

Yup. Obviously.

Why would she ask Takeru though?

> Agreeing to help, naturally.

Wonder what happens if Takeru refuses to help. I sort of imagine that's a fake decision.

Now Sumika is asking for us to go home with her. Hmm, that's a slightly unintuitive decision. Tempted to stay and think... but since I'm doing a Sumika route, I might as well do it all the way? Nah. That's still a clear mistake.

> I need to think about this alone for a while

Well, Mario was surprisingly helpful for a change.

It's a shame Takeru isn't voiced. Heh. I can picture such a snarky voice for him.

...yeah, nice imagination there Takeru.

Meeting Takahasi at the gate. Kind of a strange soundtrack now. What's going on? I'm a bit stressed. What are those midgets up to now?

This is kind of strange.

Did Yuuko also want to see how the limousine make a turn? Did she get the midgets to bring Takahashi over there? I am confused. Is she after his theory somehow? Or is she just trying to race him?

#### НАНАНАНАНАНАНАНА

oh god I can't breathe

he drove off the cliff because he's a 60 meter car. My fucking god.

Oh, those midgets again. Are they colluding with Yuuko? No they're asking for forgiveness for... deceiving Takahashi?

Well, I'm not forgiving them. They keep messing up! hahahaha infinite loop? god, this VN has such a way for enforcing choices.

# October 31st

haha nice childhood memory. Drill Milky Punch?

Takeru talking about never attacking during transformation. I wonder if this is foreshadowing something.

Damn, Takeru was kind of an annoying kid. Heh, punched again. Not bad.

What's up with Chibi Sumika exactly?

Oh, Takeru was just woken up by helicopters.

At 5AM? Wow.

Why is Sumika here at this hour? Wow.

Ha. Meiya threw the country into a state of emergency again.

Was that Bruce Lee in his yellow jumpsuit?

hehe. Okay, so the midgets apologized for being indiscreet about this.

Respect Punch!

hahahaha Ayamine is using Takeru as a ventriloquist dummy? hahaha. Or just a shield.

Huh? Did Takeru try to grab Ayamine and get flipped? Wow Ayamine is such a troll.

"Space Tornado Ayamine". Heh. Nice finishing move.

hahaha Yuuko and her fake voices. haha.

Ooh, Valgernon again!

Or is this a trap?

Nope. Cool! Are we going to play Team Valgernon?

WOO!

<Caaaard in!>

Wonder if we can win this time.

Wow, we're getting our ass kicked.

Sumika seems pretty good with the weapons. Is it still possible to win?

Damn. Lose every single time:/

### November 1st

haha, Mikoto got busted for talking.

Okay, Yuuko's ideas about thought capture are kind of meaningless. Let's see what she says about parallel computing though.

Hmm. Okay, she's talking about parallel computing of Embarrassingly Parallelizable Problems. It's actually the simplest possible example.

However her conclusion is completely wrong because she's assuming all problems are parallelizable, and that's nowhere NEAR the case.

Well, at least Yuuko abandoned the idea of Classical AI of making a Human-like machine? haha, nice maths. Yeah, that idea is completely absurd.

Also what the hell does this have to do with Physics? It belongs in a low-level advanced algorithms class.

Heh. Let's see what Mario and Yuuko are up to now. Is Marimo being dressed up or molested by Yuuko? Is this the same cosplay sprite as before? Too bad. :/

haha, Yuuko was actually shocked by Ayamine agreeing to play. That's a first. Marimo even looks happy.

Pretty predictably, Meiya and Ayamine are good at defense.

Sumika is good at offense (we saw in Valgernon, although in this playthrough I did not let Sumika attack during the game), and Miki is a sniper. The girl nobody cares about is goalie, as per most high-school sports.

I see no real point in staying with Chizuru now. Not on her route after all.

> Guess I'll go home

I wonder if Chizuru will give them awful positions unless we help. That would be silly though. Maybe I made a mistake there. Damn, I'm going to roll back.

Rolled back to go help Chizuru with the positions.

It's too much of a cliche that she'd go with the worst possible combination if we don't help, even though it should be obvious as hell.

hahaha "have Sumika run around pointlessly". Nice position.

Oh, the difference was that Chizuru didn't know Miki was on the archery club. I guess that makes a bit of sense.

So Takeru is into all-out aggression pretty much. Chizuru is a bit more realistic though. Is Takeru going to tease Chizuru into winning, then?

Oh Sumika. So naive, haha.

# November 2nd

So Chizuru went with what she showed Takeru before. A balanced but reasonable setup. No pudding for Takeru. Poor Takeru.

## November 3rd

Takeru, that cat is probably Ayamine's... where are you going to take it anyway? Oh good, Sumika saw the cat. Then Ayamine probably won't let him get rid of it.

A girl is missing from Class D? What is that about? Is the cat related? That might actually be a serious thing.

Oh god Meiya trying to purr at that cat. Did not know it was possible to do it wrong. Need to decide who to give the cat to.

The actual best candidate is probably Ayamine or maybe Miki. Meiya would be incredibly and hilariously awful (but at least she has servants). Do I give it to Sumika to keep pumping flags? I guess so. I'll do 100% runs later anyway.

Too much meta-gaming. I remember the days where I never even thought of routes. :/

Someone just drove over? Is that to take the cat?

It was Yuuko's cat? Is it a radioactive cat?

There is something obviously suspicious about this cat. "This cat is mine in a way".

It is a total test subject. Poor kitty.

Is Tsukiji the name of the supposedly missing student?

Did Yuuko turn a student into a cat?

Also, is Yuuko actually playing around with parallel worlds? This cannot end well.

# November 4th

Yay, more Lacrosse! hahahahah Meiya breaking the goal. I love this chibi art so much.

Helping Sumika train. Ball to face. Great.

hahahaha this Chizuru montage. The despairing music.

# Novemeber 7th

Two days remaining until the game.

Not smart to overwork everyone.

Meiya asking Chizuru how she looks at them. Fairly harsh.

It seems that they're not all that hopeless really.

...Yeah, Chizuru can be kind of bitchy. I guess I see why some people dislike her.

Why is Ayamine trying to hide where she lives? Strange that everyone refused a ride.

Decided to drive back home. Chizuru will have to handle her issues by herself. It might make us lose the Lacrosse game, but whatever.

Chizuru and Ayamine still can't get along.

Maybe they need tiny boxing gloves.

# November 8th

Going to look for Ayamine. Chizuru might be hopeless. Final practice. Still didn't see Ayamine show up though. Oh, there she is.

Oh god. Who did Yuuko transform into a dog now? Or is that dog Mikoto's?

Haha. Mikoto ended up doing every sport except for water polo.

Puppy!

Oh, is that the dog that stole Takeru's food in the prologue?

Mikoto don't eat the dog.

Seems like everyone is making Meiya a bit self-conscious about the food she usually eats. Poor Meiya.

They probably made Meiya cry. Takeru, you baka.

At least Sumika is tactful enough to go away so Takeru can talk to Meiya about how much of a jerk he is.

Holy shit, Takeru actually realized how much of a dick he was. Sasuga Takeru! Meiya is obviously craving for a simple, common life, and not be as sheltered and pampered. Not that hard to understand.

### November 9th

Oooh, game day!

Ayamine did not show up? Eeep!

It's because we didn't go with her or Chizuru after the game, is it? Bah.

Ayamine is the type to show up at the last possible moment though. So "do nothing" might be the best plan here. I do want to see what sort of plan they come up with, but I'll check that later.

#### > Do nothing

...There are ten minutes to go? Eep.

Also hahahha Mikoto is going to play in her stead? Nice.

This plan is not going to work.

And now Class D is going to crush Class B. Completely. Well, what's up with you now Ayamine? Well, at least she agreed to play. Kind of a strange girl.

Really hoping the Lacrosse match is a minigame. Although if it is, it will probably just be driven by clickable choices again. Not quite as exciting.

Game start! Yay!

Tied at halftime? I expected it would go decisively one way or the other from the get-go. Guess they'll go for the more standard down-by-one finish.

What the hell is Chizuru's deal?

Oh wow, we did win?!

Did not expect that.

Did Takeru get hit by a ball, pass out and dream they won?

Why is Takeru in the middle of the ocean.

Is this supposed to be a joke ending? Bad ending? omg. wtf.

Do you literally need to do nothing except Sumika choices to get on her route? That's kind of crazy.

Unless Meiya is going to show up. This might be the strangest ending ever, or one hell of a brilliant fake-out.

holy shit that was an actual ending.

Wow.

Backtracked and went with the "look for a plan" decision. Kind of funny, because that choice actually means \*not\* trusting Ayamine. But oh well.

Takeru seems pretty pissed now. So what now?

Okay, they're taking it seriously now. Yay.

"I'm the king of youth!!"

Cute little huddle there.

Yes! Win with the power of Friendsheeeeep!

Woo! Okay, this is more like the rout I was expecting.

And they only won by a single point?? Okay, so that's exactly the same as in the neutral/joke end.

Meiya directing Takeru to take Sumika to the nurse's office. Is she being her wingwoman now? Nope, actual injury. Stop getting injured Sumika.

Is Meiya planning on going away now?

Will Takeru ever stop badmouthing Sumika?

Ooooh! Takeru gets to have that pudding! Best End!

Nope. Takeru still does not get the pudding. Bad End. Traumatizing. So bad.

# November 10th (Sumika)

Pounding insanely on the door. Adorable.

hahahaha, Tsukuyomi you sly dog.

And Sumika is going to blow a gasket now.

Awww.

What sort of plot did you--

hahahahaha

Tsukuyomi tried to send Sumika away to Australia. That's so delightfully evil. hahahahahahahahahaha the alibi she set up omg So Sumika's parents are now unemployed.

Also having normal food for once, as per Meiya's request. Interesting.

Kind of wish Muv Luv Extra had a more varied soundtrack, at least for the SOL scenes. Why is Meiya drowning her egg in soy sauce? Can she not handle the taste?

hahahaha "did you throw your stick 'a-cross' the field?" I like you Takeru. You get me.

And another hit-and-run by Yuuko. Nice. hahaha is she going to hit him in reverse now? No. Shame. :P

Oh, and now finals are up. Poor Sumika. Also Takeru. Oh no, are the midgets going to force Takeru to study?

Hah. Time for Takeru to piss off the midgets now. Those three nasty creatures.

Walked in on Sumika in the bathroom? Really? hahaha, using Meiya to call Sumika's bluff is so dirty. Don't make fun of Sumika's ahoge!

Takeru-chan? What? Bleeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee!

Oh, sped all past the exams? Or are the exams on right now. Poor jealous Sumika. haha. Sumika, denied. I kind of want to tease her more.

> Guess I should do it myself, like Meiya said...

hahaha yay more teasing
Poor Sumika gets left behind.
Serious prick.
Why did you throw your shoe? How are you going to run now?

What kind of dangerous meal is Sumika going to prepare now?

Is Sumika threatening Takeru with making people think he's a chuuni? Poor Sumika. I guess she's really feeling threatened.

aww. Is Sumika crying?
haha the way her ahoge reacted, amazing
Oh, finally the confession? About time.
You are such a donkan Takeru.
Neutron star density.
Aww. She got shy before she said it plainly.

Sumika absolutely did not have run errands. Meiya even less so. What bad liars.

Hmm. What is Yuuko up to now? haha. Carrying printouts. What a---fifty thousand pages? Are you insane? hahahaha drawing on his face what? what a demon

Did Meiya try to cook something? Tomorrow's breakfast is going to be epic.

# November 28th

Ooh. Fighting the midgets!
oh no, they know Mugen Kidou?
Is Takeru going to clean the soot from Meiya's face, or kiss her? Or is Sumika just going to see it through the window?

Heh. Sumika and Meiya are both making fun of Takeru. Cooperation, yes! haha those Physics problems. "When an O'Neill-type space colony of mass M falls to Earth, the impact of its kinetic energy on the impacted land mass is..."

I wonder if those mechas are going to have a base in space. I imagine not. What's with this Sumika-kun, Meiya-kun business? What a strange way of teasing. I guess he just lost his mind as a result. I've had some exams where I felt like that after. This collusion is pretty entertaining.

Poor Takeru. He's bad at school and now nobody loves him.

hahahaha Tsukuyomi hitting the screen until it shrinks. ...Walked in on Sumika \*again\*? Seriously?

hahaha. That same conversation about locking the door again?

Oooh, this time Takeru can't frighten Sumika with threatening to ask Meiya for help! Impressive Sumika!

Wow, judging by the energy output of that explosion it seems like Meiya is getting better at cooking.

# November 30th

hahaha. Woke up in class. Nice twist.

I guess Meiya went home early to try and prepare food.

Although judging by Chizuru's description of Meiya's behavior, she seems more depressed/fearful than excited. So maybe that was not it.

Tsukuyomi seems kind of suspicious with how she wants us to ride with her. I expect it's a good thing though (unless she intends to murder everyone to save Meiya the embarrassment of giving them bad food). Let's see what happens!

> Get in the car

Sleeping gas? omg I called it?! Why are they kidnapping her?? My god. What a hilariously bad decision. Wow, Meiya was in on it?? Very Ezra. I guess this is why Laure loves Meiya so much. hahahaha "I am doubtful of the results but it matters little". I guess Takeru will die of food poisoning now.

Sheesh, Meiya nearly cut Takeru in half.

Yay, it's dinnertime! What a hilarious bad end. Sheesh. Is it already dawn? That's insane.

Oh, she did finish eating. Takeru just slept. That must have saved his life. Or maybe he did eat and just passed out?

God. Onigiri. She blew up the house and took multiple hours to make rice balls?

hahahahaa eggshell in the rice ball?! Aww. Meiya crying is pretty cute.

Oh, Sumika is back! Yay! Maybe it's not a bad end then.

### December 7th

Ooh, exams are over. Wonder how those went.

Yay, Valgernon!

Damn, there's a line? Quick Meiya, build us a new arcade!

Yay, massage chairs!

What is Meiya up to now? She wants to cook again? Is this going to involve sleeping gas again? Ooh, fancy dinner! And nice dress, Sumika.

Is there no option for actually being nice to Sumika? ha.

What is the sense in reserving a boat for a thousand people for just Takeru and Sumika to have dinner? Sheesh.

hahaha, Sumika-kun. Takeru is dropping everything on her. Poor Sumika.

She looks pretty cute though.

Takeru, if you are going to ask for a... just plain food? Are you a moron? Jesus. You jerk.

Oh. I guess that if he truly can't read the menu then he didn't have many options. Beyond, well, asking for a recommendation or a Japanese menu.

Silly translators don't know what "penultimate" means. It does not mean something is good! Oh. Meiya is going to go in for the kill now.

Why was Sumika so depressed as a child? hahahaha that's Sumika knocking. She is tireless. And Meiya, so devious. Meiya...is no Beatrice.

Oooh. Exam results? Yay! Yuuko. So. Evil. Wow. I don't believe Takeru actually failed. hahaha Ayamine

Oooh, Meiya and Sumika are fighting over lunches. haha. So much energy.

What? No way he actually got a zero. You damn filthy liar. hahahahaha bastard
Ooooh! Bathhouse vacation!
hahaha so harsh, Yuuko.

hahahahha what?

Meiya said she and Takeru are bound by fate because they were born on the same day? Seriously?

Sumika is trying so hard to make Meiya jealous. I'm amazed it's working considering what Takeru is saying, but at least Meiya is also noticing that.

Is Meiya going to explain what this park is about?

Oh. So it was just because Takeru cared for it. Nothing else?

Sumika seems like she was a pretty strange child. Were the old people with her her parents, or caretakers of some sort? What the hell is going on there? Sumika was not taken away, so she was just lying when she said they would take her away?

The errand Meiya's maids went on must be related to Sumika somehow. Meiya isn't going to be the type to demolish the park now. Not likely.

#### OH SHIT

That girl was Meiya, not Sumika. That was taken away. I guess Meiya is planning a surprise party for him. Or maybe Sumika. ...It's Sumika.

heh. At least Meiya is a better liar than they are.

Getting Meiya a gift:

A stuffed animal is Sumika's thing, so not that one. Book seems most likely.

hahahahaha. Meiya sent Takahashi to tail Takeru in the limousine? ...No, seems not. What was Sumika doing there then?

# December 16th

Birthday time. Guessing everyone is in the mansion.

Meiya seems a bit disappointed in that book. Should have gone for the stuffed animal I guess. Aww. She's so excited.

Not clear why Takeru isn't happy about his present now.

hahahaha Meiya and her tiptoeing. That's great.

Whee! Heading to the onsen now! Miki and her anti-gravity hair. Jesus.

Meiya asked Sumika about packing? Well, Sumika wouldn't give her intentionally bad advice. They're not that vicious.

Sitting next to Sumika, of course.

Actually, why even take the bus? They have a 60 meter limousine. :P

Looks like Miki is surprisingly good at Valgernon. I did expect her to be a sniper, but still.

hahaha. Okay, so why would Mikoto pretend to be a girl? For so long? hahaha, everybody's drunk

Sheesh, they're going to keep drinking even after Meiya and Marimo had to be taken away? What is this "take responsibility" business? Sheesh!

### December 20th

I did not expect these kids to all drink so much.

Also, I might need to reconsider that Mikoto-is-a-girl theory. Although it does make sense given how he acted in the onsen.

Well, Takeru putting everyone to sleep is at least nice... hahaha. Ayamine and her reflexes. Insane.

Kind of a sloppy setup for drama.

I wonder how much they all remember.

Meiya is missing, but she was allowed no sleep when Tsukuyomi took her away.

Conveniently, everyone leaves except Sumika so she is alone with Takeru. She seems to be in a good mood? Or just hyper for some reason.

Meiya was in the game center, of all places? Huh.

Oh wow, the book we gave Meiya actually makes a difference? I wonder if that choice actually did anything, or whether it was a forced outcome.

Making Meiya and Sumika play to hear a recap of what happened is kind of hilarious. What a damn troll. Sumika is *winning*? Holy crap.

Although yeah, at Valgernon at least, Sumika was supposed to be a very good shooter with sharp reflexes.

Quite intense. Is the disc going to fly and hit Takeru in the face? Yes, Yes it is, haha.

And another shower. Are we going to see the Mikoto theory being disproven now? He's totally going to snatch that towel.

....No Mikoto, thanks for the invitation but I'd rather not be stuck adrift in the middle of the ocean for a week.

Finally someone asks Meiya why she came to visit Takeru! Jesus, about time! She does not answer, but it's because they met in the playground as kids.

Meiya is a very graceful loser, again. Although she's still in the running.

Mikoto is a pretty smart guy in getting out right now.

Oooh, open declaration of warfare! How will the Neutron Donkan react?!

"Were it not for Takeru, we could have been close friends"? Are they really taking their rivalry this far?

Oh wow. Meiya referring to people by their last name is indicative of her not considering them as people?

omg Yuuko was stalking him in the onsen. You crazy evil woman.

### December 21st

Is Takeru going to remember meeting Meiya now?

This confirms it, Child Sumika is Meiya. They have the same birthday.

It also makes more sense that Meiya would want to hide her surname than Sumika actually forgetting it. Sumika is silly, she is not actually dumb.

Are the people taking Meiya away Tsukuyomi and Takahashi? Are they old enough? Tsukuyomi did basically raise Meiya, so that might be possible. Takahashi probably not though. I do like that Takeru is not actually \*that\* dumb. He seems to be piecing things together at a reasonable pace.

This also ties in to how Meiya said that she and Takeru are connected because of their birthday, and to her overconfidence.

Now going on a cave exploration? That seems nice. Mikoto, the perfect escape artist

.....Naturally-occuring manju?! hahahahaa hahaha oh my god Takeru how the hell... why do you buy this Meiya. Did Tsukuyomi kick his ass? Oh, the midgets. hahahahahahahahaha. Kick his ass, Meiya.

Meiya is kind of conflicted about how she intends to rival Sumika, it seems.

Are Meiya and Takeru alone in the cave? This might not be a good thing. Are they going to find anything in the cave? Not likely, since it \*is\* a tourist spot. Ooh, underground lake? That's pretty awesome.

Is Meiya going to go for skinny dipping now? She seems too classy for that.

Meiya already graduated college? Why is she in high school then?! Does Meiya know Takeru overheard?

Since this is Sumika's route, it's best to not let Meiya confess here. > No, it's okay.

Feels a bit bad doing that, but oh well.

Meiya is still twisting that into something of a confession on Takeru's behalf. She's pretty skillful at that.

Poor Meiya. Being bound to a zaibatsu like this must be pretty harsh, despite everything. "I don't dream" - nonsense.

Poor Meiya. So conflicted.

Meiya is a fine negotiator, and clearly wants to be left alone so she can cry. But leaving her alone (even if she were not hurt) would be insane.

Stop teasing the injured girl you jerk.

How long does Meiya have until she is to succeed the Mitsurugi?

Nice, Takeru \*can\* be a bit chivalrous sometimes (commenting on 'raindrops from the stalagmites' when Meiya was crying). And now he immediately comments on her breasts. Brilliant.

Meiya can be kind of sweet.

Back in the inn, did they get rid of Yuuko somehow? haha and Mikoto with the disappearing act again. Wow, Sumika invited Takeru to the bath? That's pretty forward.

Miki with the attempted cockblock. Is Sumika using her laughter as a signal to Meiya? That's brilliant.

...No. Sumika was just flat-footed and Meiya was being noble. haha, Takeru, you damn idiot. Let Sumika kidnap you and shut up.

hahahaha, Sumika: deflecting the hard questions with boobs. Takeru, what's with you.

So Sumika was spying on them in the cave for a bit? Did Meiya realize that and take Miki away because of that?

Oh, Sumika knew he overheard her? It's funny how they pingpong between being surprisingly mature and immature about this.

haha. Yeah, what an intentional wardrobe malfunction.

Jesus Takeru, decide if you're 17 or 12. Stop jumping back and forth.

What a jerky jerk. But I guess Sumika does accept she's been acting like an idiot. Maybe she's been taking her playacting too far.

Hmm. Okay, so maybe Takeru isn't actually that stupid and is just pretending to be dull in order to slow things down. Interesting. He IS still a donkan, but maybe not quite so bad.

## December 22nd

No shit, Takeru. You should have been taking this situation a bit more seriously. Pretty decent lecture from Yuuko and Marimo, I guess.

And back home. Bit of a ponderous pacing.

Tsukuyomi and Meiya are plotting something? Or is Meiya already going away? Either Meiya is going away, or they're going to kidnap him. Holy shit Takeru why the HELL did you just turn on the light? You crazy fucker.

Why is Meiya so restricted in her timeframe?

Damnit, you fucking idiot Takeru.

Did they gas Takeru or something? Or is he pretending?

It seems like she's going away. I guess they drugged him.

## December 23rd

Oh come on, repeating the whole scene just for the Meiya reveal? That's so unnecessary. They already confirmed it completely when they brought up the birthdays.

Interesting point: Takeru and Meiya only met once as kids. Kind of crazy that this meeting would be so influential for either of them.

I suppose it makes sense that Meiya would cling to that, actually, with how she struggles to maintain her individuality. Oh, especially if the adult man accepted it (having no idea what it was about).

Why is that sword flashing in the background? Just to demonstrate the Mitsurugi name hovering over Meiya's head?

Oh come on, now is obviously way too late. But is this Sumika's route or Meiya's route? I guess they really are just the same route with a handful of different scenes.

Wait, they restored Takeru's house? Are you kidding?

How long was he drugged for? You can't dismantle a house in 10 hours no matter how much manpower you have.

Seems Sumika knows what's going on.

...How long has Sumika known about this?

Come on, there's no need to keep hammering in this flashback.

I imagine Meiya is being married off, and she wanted to meet Takeru to try and marry him.

Hmm. I suppose Meiya told Sumika in the onsen, then.

Meiya has (had) a twin, and Meiya was put up for adoption...

Oh. So her twin died and she was taken back. This might explain Meiya's slight preoccupation with fate.

Not quite clear why Meiya thought letting Takeru overhear her was so bad, but I suppose she's just very strict. Yeah, that's what I thought: Takeru was an experiment and possibly even intended for failure (depending on just how loyal to her Tsukuyomi is). "Bye-bye". Ouch.

Wow, and Sumika is confessing \*now\*? Is Sumika turning him down now?

I don't understand whose route this is. This is so very nonstandard.

Is Sumika also going away now? What no damn it.

This "bye-bye" is already starting to trigger me.

What a strange, one-sided dialogue. I'm almost tempted to think it's a bug.

But at least now I am convinced he's going to be with Sumika after all. This is where it diverges, I guess.

All this zooming in, is Takeru going to leap through the window?

What is Sumika doing now? She just ran off?

I'm not sure I remember this place Takeru went to. Is that where he gave her the stuffed doll?

... Why is Tsukuyomi here? Was she tailing him all this time?

Now Tsukuyomi is explaining? It's a bit of an infodump.

Ah, this is it. Meiya's groom was picked straight away and this is why the promise is so important. And indeed, Tsukuyomi was intended to basically sabotage her attempt? I should look into Meiya's recited poems again; I imagine she was trying to skirt her promise.

Yeah, Tsukuyomi is pretty justified in calling Takeru out on his indecisiveness.

Wow. So Tsukuyomi is even more in favor of Meiya than I thought. This I did not expect. Sumika's eyes look so dull. I know I'm picking her but I still can hardly bear to look at it.

Kind of surprising that there's no choice to be made here. Makes sense though. Pretty emotional scene all things considered.

I like the style of this epilogue.

Still, MLE could have used more CGs. I imagine Unlimited will make up for it.

And it's officially over.

Next route: Ayamine

I'll try to favor more of Meiya's lunches in this playthrough, to make up on missed scenes.

Wow, the extras don't unlock even after completing Sumika's route? That's a harsh VN.

This playthrough, I'll be a bit less nice to Sumika.

haha. Making Takeru complain about the dog leads into a pretty cute rant about animals.

(Skipping the parts I'd already read, so until I get into Ayamine's route the notes might make even less sense than usual.

I wish the skipping was a bit faster.

Told Meiya and the cooks to not recreate the Han Dinner this time.

hahaha, she completely misunderstood his complaint. I wonder what sort of effect this will have.

First lunch choice: I'll try the mad dash. Eating both seems more like a Miki thing, so I'll save it for her route.

This isn't really like Takeru, but oh well. heh.

Going to the roof, as Ayamine is surely there.

Ayamine is not one for small talk. Completely ignored Takeru.

Woo, yakisoba bread get!

Wonder how Ayamine gets those anyway if they're so hard to obtain.

hahaha, so this is going to be the running gag with her? Whenever she'll give Takeru food, she tries to make him do a trick?

"It's not realistic to try and bring peace to everyone". Interesting.

Is Ayamine going to sleep now?

Hmm. Let's try to piss off Chizuru a little, too, and run away from cleaning. Wow. Taking advantage of Takeru like this... Sumika is going to murder him. I felt bad. And Takeru actually escaped? Wow.

With the free time, I'll check out the back of the school.

Damn. Caught by Chizuru? hahahahah

So this actually leads to Tama. Surprising.

Interesting. Miki's archery group seems to know a bit about Takeru. I guess they are aware of her crush on him?

Did she tell them he was her boyfriend?

Wow, Miki can't shoot at all when Takeru is watching, can she? Even hit one in the head, hah. That captain guy looks like a prick. Wow, the captain Ishizawa actually knew Takeru's name? That's crazy.

Ishizawa is a friend of Miki's and not the official team captain (he retired).

Wow, not only did he know Takeru but he even know he's involved with Meiya? Why do these people all know Takeru so well? He seems like a reasonably popular guy but nothing THAT special.

Oh, is Miki apologizing and pushing Takeru out? Guess she just didn't notice. Also Ishizawa isn't as bad as I thought. Just looked standoffish.

hahahaha caught at last!

Wow Sumika is so furious. This looks scary.

Interesting. Same conversation but in a slightly different setting, isn't it? Kind of a shame it's not skipped.

Going to escape lunch again. heh.

I decided to visit the prep room to see what would happen. Is this a secret teacher route? heh.

My god, Takeru, was a suck-up!

hahahaha nice entrance Yuuko

Well, it was a cute scene but rewinding for the Ayamine choices.

ha. Takeru really has a problem with Ayamine's jokes.

hahaha this cg. Ayamine actually might end up training Takeru.

Let's try asking Ayamine for help.

haha. Shut down.

I guess Ayamine is a complete cloudcuckoolander.

Can't escape lunch this time. Let's try both then. Actually, doesn't this happen anyway at this point?

Did Sumika just ruin the food? She's just putting the most spicy ingredients possible, is she? Is this her revenge? Is that because we ran away from cleaning, or what? Well, we escaped with our lives.

Same routine as always, up to the roof we go. Is Takeru getting used to Ayamine's jokes? Not completely I guess, no.

hahahahaha he's going to do a trick? omg What is Ayamine saying exactly? Is she actually chuuni?

haha, I kind of like Ayamine's humor. Although Takeru doesn't really know how to react to it.

hahaha, so this time Ayamine wants to join straight away. Why is Yuuko keeping track of everything so closely? I wonder why Yuuko is giving Ayamine the advice that she is ("Autumn is the season for food, but it is almost winter").

Why is Ayamine teasing Chizuru like this? It's kind of mean-spirited.

Food festival! Ayamine is going to make yakisoba bread again though. Did she just walk in and say absolutely nothing? How strange. Or was she embarrassed?

Same as usual, straight for the porn stash.

Huh. Did Ayamine manage to hide from the midgets? Interesting. No, it seems she just fled. Interesting. Does Meiya learn about food based on lunch choices?

Ayamine: "one must use good food to train him". hahahhaahaha

Now the date. Is she going to teach him tricks for the entire day?

Or is she not going to show up at all?

hahahahahaha she brought a bag of bread to use as treats in order to train Takeru. Nice.

Oooh, Valgernon! I didn't even know Ayamine plays.
...Seems it was just the arcade background image. They're playing a puzzle instead?

aww. Ayamine asked Takeru to marry him? And she's going to play Valgernon. ...damn Takeru, did you not hear the "heads I win tails you lose" condition she just stated? Dumb guy. :P

Interesting. So Ayamine is not as good with ranged weapons. Or is she lulling him into a false sense of security?

Yeah. Melee specialist all the way. And again Takeru loses. Stop being so bad at this!! Ayamine can be a bit of a tease. I do like her.

haha. Ayamine can be pretty direct.

Also, I think I found the direct translation choice I disagree with: when Takeru asks why his asking too many questions (when he asks if she likes him) and Ayamine says 'maybe', it should have been 'who knows'. Maybe it a stylistic choice to have her use fewer and shorter words, but I should remember my own impression over the translation.

I think that in addition to being very quiet, Ayamine also has a pretty indirect manner of talking (despite having a very direct personality).

Maybe I'm reading too much into it though.

Oh damn. Now I need to explicitly turn Sumika down? :(
I'm sorry Sumika!
"We're just friends, I guess?"
Dude Takeru, go fuck yourself.

Was this a forced choice (with different flags) after all? Man, letting Sumika down is harsh. :(

Hmm. Even the conversation when convincing Ayamine to play is the same now. This I am a bit disappointed about.

Interesting. If the Sumika flags are too low, we play Valgernon with Meiya instead. How heartbreaking. At least we stand a chance of actually taking a game for a change.

Wow, Meiya is simply a natural at Valgernon. Good with piloting and attacking. Sumika's still better with her natural sense of timing though.

I have a feeling like we'd win at Valgernon by taking Meiya's advice, but let's see about that. I suppose melee against Sumika is typically not a smart thing (unless an ambush) because of her reaction speed.

It's a draw? Wow. First time I didn't lose.

haha, moron Takeru. If you'd told Meiya you had a sword she would have probably won.

Going to the roof with Tama and Ayamine. Wonder what their chemistry is like.

I suppose that since this is a side-route, it's just a bit less polished.

I wonder about the All-Offensive Lacrosse formation Chizuru went with. Would it have been better if I raised more Chizuru flags?

Following Ayamine home. This is going to be interesting.

Is she homeless or just resting?

Ayamine is again trying to make Takeru say he wants her to play with them. Why can't he figure this out?

Learn to handle some humor Takeru. Sheesh.

Oh, he even invited Ayamine over to take care of the cat. But not a big difference this time either.

I suppose it can't branch too much before the game.

Can cats actually eat yakisoba bread? I don't think so.

Meiya is pretty aware. I also hadn't realized before just how polite and considerate Meiya actually is. I knew she was decent, but not to this degree.

I wonder if I'll be able to win Lacrosse in this playthrough. Might be disappointing if I need to do it over.

It's really strange that we still haven't seen where Ayamine lives.

Oh great, we did win.

Let's try to avoid Tsukuyomi's Sumika trap this time. I guess she's going to be pushed straight in. hahahahha. She just walked up and gassed her! I suppose the book *is* a forced decision.

....wait, I ended up on the Sumika route? What the hell.

Went back to try and fix it, but now we're losing.

Do I need to follow the walkthrough 100%? This VN can't be that harsh with its choices. It's just drama I suppose.

Damn, Chizuru is going to fuck this up now.

Wow, Suzumiya got injured? What the hell happened? There goes the match.

...Why does the nurse know Ayamine? Is her dad involved with the hospital somehow?

Ayamine is kind of right in that it's none of Takeru's business. Learn to stay out sometimes. Oh, if it's just a mild concussion then it's not supposed to be such a big deal. Even conscious. Just a bump on the head then... unless Yuuko is bullshitting.

Takeru seems doubtful.

Why is Ayamine clinging to Takeru now? Does she know something he doesn't?

Interesting.

Wait, did the nurse grab the doctor (Sagiri) just to make him meet Ayamine? I suppose he's her dad then? He seems a bit young though.

My computer crashed before and I didn't have a save, so I'll need to manually skip it seems. Bah. At least it did not take long.

Considering Chizuru's silence on the matter, she might know what's up. Why is Takeru worrying about Chizuru? Isn't Ayamine's behavior more puzzling?

Huh? Did Takeru see something? I didn't notice anything in particular in the zoomed-in picture. ...What the hell is going on with Chizuru now? People refusing to bow when she gave the word? What kind of childish crap is that?

Why is Marimo bringing up lacrosse now? Is she so unaware of the class? No, according to Takeru she was actually being clever about it and trying to calm everyone about Marimo.

Oh come on. So everyone is just upset about the fact someone got hurt in the festival? That's nonsense. I am not a fan of this writing.

I wonder if Chizuru and Ayamine's routes are written together similarly to how Sumika and Meiya's are.

So Takeru is sent to go with Chizuru and Ayamine to prevent them from bickering inside the hospital. That's reasonable. Yeah, Marimo is pretty reasonably aware.

Oh come on. Now Takeru is getting shit too? This is just ridiculous. Since when do high-schoolers even care about these things?

Wait. The entire festival was stopped? Was it a multiple-day event? Why would the school stop it for a simple injury?

Is Chizuru being bullied now? This is YMK level of ridiculous almost.

Finally some straight talk from Ayamine. Interesting. Is she trying to see what Takeru would have done had Suzumiya was hurt badly, or if she herself was hurt by the people pestering her? Oh, did Chizuru break down?

Graffiti? Seriously. Since when do high schools even work like this? Children are cruel but not at that age over such stupid things.

Interesting. Both that Ayamine keeps going to that hill, and that Marimo is aware of all this. She really knows much more than she lets out on.

Hmm. I guess she keeps a puppy there because she can't take it home? That might explain things.

And Takeru, how can you be so bad at understanding teasing humor after years of badmouthing Sumika?

Is this the translation again? Takeru keeps thinking Ayamine is so hard to understand, but she really isn't at all. He just seems like a dumbass.

Second hospital visit now. Suzumiya seems like a pretty cool girl really. Makes sense she'd be popular I suppose. Not sure if I understand her supposed wittiness though.

On the other side of things, Meiya et al never found Chizuru. Apparently she just ran directly home. Still not a fan of this route though. It's trying way too hard to make me feel outrage at how Chizuru is being treated, but it's so unrealistic that I can't take it seriously in the first place.

Wow. Meiya just tried to tell Takeru that Chizuru loves him? Why would Meiya know this, and why the hell is Takeru so friggin dumb?

Takeru is trying to find Ayamine on her hill and she's not that. Funny.

...Wait, Chizuru wasn't home the other day either?

Is she supposed to be dead?

"Why doesn't Meiya use her network of spies to find Chizuru?" is the right question here, Takeru. Makes no sense, and Tsukuyomi could find her in five seconds flat.

Oh it's the puppy! It's got a derpy face!

hahaha. Ayamine did manage to sidetrack Takeru with food. Clever.

hahahaha, wow, how demonic. Also calling the puppy "Takeru" is great.

I do like Ayamine though. I wish her route was better.

Still, the route almost feels like a deadlock. Ayamine wants Takeru to be direct and he refuses to understand that, so how can any progress be made?

Oh wow, Takeru managed to solve the puzzle!

"The doctor that always shows up and asks about Ayamine, and Ayamine that constantly runs away when that doctor is around" + "The doctor knowing Ayamine's mother" = "Ayamine and the doctor might know each other".

Great detective skills! Are you a wizard, Takeru?

hahaha, Ayamine's answer. "He's a stalker". Sure.

...And now she's insisting that she is serious? This is a pretty long setup for a one-off joke.

Ooh, Ayamine's blushing now. Cute.

(I guess she just dropped the stalker thing? Really not clear about that. It makes too little sense to be true).

...And she asked Takeru to murder the guy in a cutesy way.

This is just strange now.

Now she asked Takeru to be her pretend boyfriend. How Michirueqsue!

Is he literally a stalker and Ayamine wants to make him believe she has a boyfriend? That seems so unlikely. I guess she just likes Takeru and that's it, even though I can't really see why. Their rapport is pretty weak.

We actually get a choice on whether we want to? I guess that's just how deeply these routes are intertwined. Obviously going with 'Do it'.

After we agreed to be her pretend boyfriend:

Ayamine: "You can be my real boyfriend too, you know"

Takeru: she is so toying with me

No you fucking idiot, this is the only time she has not been doing that.

Takeru is making me rage.

Now at Chizuru's house to check up on her. So she is still alive at least. Heh.

Not really clear why Chizuru is upset with Takeru right now, but I suppose she was trying to say he said something mean about her? If she did, he responded in just about the worst possible way. (Chizuru said, in response to acting super bitchy, "Isn't this how I usually am?" and Takeru just answered "Yeah but that's not the point". Smooth like a razor!)

Sagiri (the doctor) knew Takeru was visiting Suzumiya because he recognized his school uniform? Okay that's a bit strange now. I really expect him to be Ayamine's dad... but he's really saying strange things. Unless they have been estranged for years now, I guess, and he's really desperate.

But it's also possible to interpret this as a stalker trying to milk information from Takeru.

Come on. And now the nurse shows up just as Sagiri wants to explain everything? But the mere fact he was about to do so already implies he's her dad. Did Ayamine change her name?

This whole scenario is strange. Did Ayamine make the whole stalker thing up just to get Takeru to be her boyfriend?

Interesting. Does Meiya also know what Ayamine's situation is? Or maybe she is just avoiding prying due to having manners.

The fact Takeru feels so bad about having lied to Sagiri (about being Ayamine's boyfriend) is pretty silly though. He keeps tormenting himself over it. Makes no damn sense.

And now Ayamine is breaking the fourth wall? haha. (Don't appear so suddenly -> Ayamine's sprite gradually fades in).

Is Ayamine going to come clean about Sagiri now?

Yeah she did. So it was a lie.

...This is actually incredibly bitchy, cowardly and irresponsible of her. I'm kind of annoyed with that.

Takeru is kind of a prick with his questioning of Ayamine right now, but she honestly earned it. What's with this sudden vulnerable act now? Damnit, this is annoying me. Why is Ayamine so weak now?

Is there something strange about why Suzumiya keeps having to see the doctor? That does not seem reasonable at all...

Oh, so Sagiri was her brother and not her dad. Interesting.
Still, it must be a pretty big gap between the two of them. At least ten years?
And they haven't spoken to each other in... three years? Apparently even longer.
So she's been holding a grudge since she was 13.

Hmm. Is it possible there was an incestous relationship between Sagiri and Ayamine? Although with what has to be a 10 year gap (and 7 years at a bare minimum), that would be seriously fucked up. I don't expect MLE to go anywhere near this amount of dark.

Not after this halfhearted bullying we saw of Chizuru. Even Grisaia no Kajitsu backstories aren't that dark.

Takeru asked Ayamine whether she still loves Sagiri, and she slapped him. Interesting development. So it is a bit dark at least. Apparently Sagiri is married. Is this how he betrayed her? Got married "behind her back"?

hahahahaha the three midgets feeding Takeru. I was expecting them to make him eat something awful.

Is this route going to progress now using a Deus ex Meiya now? And it does seem like Meiya knows what's going on. Curious.

Wow, Meiya is so direct! Pretty nice really. She is growing on me I think. Can this route please end already? :/

I'm a bit slow in picking up on this, but it's kind of interesting how Sagiri and Ayamine both like rooftops so much.

Oh. Ayamine wanted Takeru to tell Sagiri he was her boyfriend in order to make him feel betrayed as well?

So what did Sagiri lie about, exactly? Was he already married when he was involved with her?

Ayamine's mom was a nurse working in the hospital. Hmmm. Sagiri cannot possibly be old enough to be her dad. But if Ayamine's mom helped him with financial difficulties when he was a novice, but must be much much older than just 10 years.

Hmm. But Kei was already born then, so he is not her dad. So he referred to Ayamine as a sister for that reason, out of closeness.

Did Sagiri marry Ayamine's mom?

So Sagiri almost killed a patient by making a mistake. Was that Ayamine? Her mother? And Ayamine's mom took the blame (probably destroying her career).

So Ayamine is frustrated with society because she saw how her mother was treated? Does Ayamine not know it was Sagiri's mistake, then?

Yeah, so she doesn't know. And the hospital director basically made him marry his daughter instead of Kei.

...And Sagiri was dating a 14 year old at like 30. What the hell dude.

Oh, and now Takeru figured it all out? Single-Issue Psychology much?

Sagiri is pretty strange. And no small coward himself, if he's trying to make Takeru tell Ayamine these things for him. Plus I really find it awkward how the pedophilia thing is ignored. It is kind of nice how this relationship is made to mirror Sumika/Meiya and Takeru's triangle, though. That's a very clever thing for a supporting route to do.

"Chiro"? Is the dog's name not actually Takeru? Awww.

Ayamine kissing Takeru came out of the blue. Was she trying to change the subject? Or telling him she is willing to move on from Sagiri?

And now Chizuru showed up at the park. They had a pretty candid talk where Takeru told Chizuru way too much about Ayamine's personal life in order to try and make a point to her. How heroic, Takeru. By all means, keep the truth a secret from Ayamine but start telling it to her friends in excess details so she can hear it third-hand. Brilliant.

And now they're both going to the hospital to confront their demons.

...Is that dog going to get itself run over now? Fucking christ! Takeru ran out into the street to save the dog. Takeru dies, dog lives. Good End!

Yeah, Takeru is in the hospital now.

....hahhaaahaha, just imagine rumors of Chizuru pushing Takeru out onto the street now. Even more bullying!

Ayamine and Sagiri are both on the rooftop, talking. How very typical. Try not to fall off Takeru~

Wow, how typical. Takeru arrives just as Sagiri places his cards on the table. Kind of tense. How will she respond?

And Takeru immediately barges in. Oh my god you asshole!!!!

Don't just barge in on people's conversations like this! They waited for over three years to have a talk! My god! You asshole!

I don't care if you got hit by a car one second ago. I would punch you in the face so fucking hard.

How does Sagiri not murder this basshole?

"I am in no position to say anything about you, Sagiri, but fuck you and your love life".

God I would throw him off the roof, then pull him back up and throw him off again.

Yeah you better fucking die Takeru! (He actually just passed out from the strain, since he dragged himself out of bed and went onto the roof literally minutes after waking up in the hospital).

...And Ayamine chose Takeru after this? Wow, talk about shit taste.

Sagiri *thanked* Takeru for bursting in like that? In what universe? What he did was the epitome of a dick move.

And now the kiss. That's a reasonable ending.

Ayamine: "Wanna have sex?"

Of course.

Hmm. Let's see. Guy had a car accident and had to go to the hospital. Woke up and ran to the roof, gave a passionate speech and passed out. Woke up four hours later and every move he does hurts him. Sure let's have sex! This cannot possibly be a terrible idea!

And the route officially ended.

Going for Chizuru's route now, since with how similar to Ayamine's it is, it is best to do now.

Meeting Chizuru in the courtyard (instead of eating lunch). Chizuru is pretty straightforward, but she seems decent.

Although pretty stiff with Takeru sitting next to her.

And now he's going to guilt her into feeding him. Heh. Haha! She immediately realizes the ploy! Wow, she still broke under the pressure.

Seems like Chizuru might be touchy about her mother.

Chizuru insisting on Takeru giving his wet tissue back after wiping his hands. Is she going to reuse it, or does she truly have such a low opinion of him?

....haha. Cheating off of Chizuru's paper. That's going to be hilarious.

Another lunch with Chizuru.

At least we're blazing through this route, hopefully.

And again with the wet tissue thing. She must be washing them. Is she seriously this level of poor? That's ridiculous.

Not sure if I really like her insistence on always paying back favors, either.

So now Chizuru is resisting the lacrosse game. Yuuko is retaliating by bringing up the tissue incident. Yuuko must be seriously spying on Takeru. Heh.

hahahahaha is Chizuru seriously going to make Takeru clean up his room while being a guest in his house? That's hilarious.

So vicious~.

hahaha. Finding his porn magazines and trying to come up with an excuse. Classic but nice execution.

So Chizuru is easily embarrassed. Nice.

Picked Chizuru's bento, of course.

The date with Chizuru might be hilarious. Is she going to make him sweep the streets now?

Holy crap. Did Takeru offend her into leaving? God, you prick! Sheesh Chizuru, you can still try to relax at least a little. She's like a tsundere but not fun.

Are they going into a house of mirrors? That's kind of cute actually.

Is the elevator an optical illusion? Or did Takeru walk into a wall? Yeah. That's...not really clever.

Hmm. This date is kind of sloppy, production-wise. Just reacting to things over the same background. Don't put in a museum if you don't want to show stuff!

Is "everything changes depending on your viewpoint" going to be the purpose of this route? That might not be a very interesting message. But Chizuru is saying she's interested in optical illusions because she knows she's so strict. That's a lot of self-loathing on her part, isn't it?

Is Chizuru going to beat up delinquents in the middle of the street now? Seriously? That's ridiculous. Is this supposed to be cool? Lecturing people in the middle of the street? Takeru is berating Chizuru a little to get out of this. She's taking offense but seriously, was he supposed to just go in swinging?

Uh, what the hell is up with Chizuru being upset as "being a woman" and "having emotional arguments"? How is this related to her character? Odd.

HAHAHAHAHA this is what happened. Meiya scared the delinquent off and then attacked him in an alley. Wow. Nice one.

Haha. Sumika almost blurted out that she and Meiya were stalking his date.

What did Takeru do that was all that cool though? He handled the encounter reasonably, but it was nothing special.

Skipped forward until the end of the first lacrosse training game.

Going home with Chizuru, naturally. She is... a bit obnoxious about it.

Heh. I think this was the first time Takeru managed to tease Chizuru successfully.

I wonder just how defensive Chizuru is going to be about the state of her house. Although if I remember from Ayamine's route, she actually lives in a pretty nice house despote being so apparently poor.

Is Chizuru a clean freak, or does she have a wet tissue fetish?

Did the obvious choices (nothing very special), and got past the lacrosse game. It's the same as Ayamine's route so far, except this time it is also raining a lot.

Seems Chizuru ran into the changing room and hid to cry.

Oh wow, the bullying started so soon? Immediately upon the ambulance's arrival? Interestingly, Chizuru does blame herself for Suzumiya's injury. I'd expect her to know better.

Takeru is a bit wiser in this route. Oh well.

Hmm. Is the skipping now working because I don't have a save at the end of Ayamine's route, or something?

Kind of annoying. Virtually similar text, but it's still not being skipped.

Kind of like Ever 17.

Hmm, Takeru went to clean the club offices and is now overhearing the bullies tormenting Chizuru. Wonder what he's going to do about this, then. It really sounds ridiculous though; they're literally just jealous.

What a flat motivation.

Come on. And Takeru can't find them for some reason? Not fascinating.

Hmm. Did Chizuru also hear them? Yup.

Was Marimo also there? Is that teacher omnipresent?

This bullying is really so annoying. It's more boring than anything else.

Okay, at least Meiya is stepping in. Strange that Chizuru would stop her though. I guess Chizuru does blame herself after all, which makes sense.

Meiya knows a bit more about bullying than I would expect.

Meiya said she never was in a bullying situation. Is this simply the breadth of her education and training?

Well, time for Takeru to interfere despite Meiya's advice. Disagreeing is okay, but not tell Meiya why instead of just ignore her?

What the hell is that announcement? Marimo called her there?

That's a trap, isn't it?

They just left her angry notes? I swear, this is the strangest case of bullying I've ever seen.

You don't muster so much effort and rally so many people just in order to leave a few notes. Seriously.

Takeru is at least being practical in that he mentions Tsukuyomi, and Meiya even agrees she could locate the culprits easily. However Meiya points out that it's not practical because it's not what Chizuru would want. But really, Meiya is taking it to an extreme: just knowing who did it could help a lot in making sense of everything.

And why is Takeru blowing up on Sumika now? Sheesh.

It's really ridiculous that someone as resourceful as Meiya would be as stumped in this situation as she is. She should be able to resolve this in five minutes. Bullying is a serious problem because schoolkids have no resources to protect themselves. Meiya has private investigators, security guards, lawyers, advisors, surveillance. Even broadcasting a public message. There are so many things she could do. Weak plot.

Sheesh, and now Chizuru told Takeru off and he's all heartbroken? And everyone's here now! Even the derpy lacrosse goalie.

And the entire rest of the team went to visit Suzumiya.

Hope this route doesn't go on for much longer. It's really painfully mediocre.

Takeru's directions to Chizuru's map: "Left, then left, then left, and turn left again". Is this not a cycle?

Ah, Chizuru's mom. She looks like a terrible person. Also kind of mannish. At least she's not very nosy. Is she meant to be a very sloppy mother, or just fairly shrewd? Not as bad as I thought she'd be. Just an unpleasant-looking sprite.

Ring all the school bells. All of them! And Chizuru apparently ran off.

Chizuru's mom and Chizuru must be extremely estranged. Or maybe it's just this current issue they're not talking about? No, they seem to have issues.

I guess Chizuru is super-strict in order to rebel.

Well, Takeru came in to visit Suzumiya now.

I actually expected this part to overlap with Ayamine's route, but Takeru isn't the first to visit this time around, and the nurse is completely different. What's with that nurse anyway? She makes me think of Haru from Comyu with her strange behavior.

Is she not a nurse?

Huh. And Takeru stumbled onto Suzumiya now? Huh.

Does Suzumiya know Chizuru is having issues now? I mean, the others did visit Suzumiya before... but it seems like they didn't tell her anything. Suzumiya is suspecting it though.

Now I can choose between telling or not telling. My instincts are saying that telling would lead into a Bad End, but I'm going to try that anyway.

## > A lot of things

Takeru literally said "a lot of things" and didn't go into detail. Suzumiya is blaming herself now. This chaos is probably why we'll get a bad end. Although Takeru is telling Akane to not blame herself now is kind of hypocritical.

Well, the advice from Suzumiya seems somewhat solid actually. I'm still expecting a bad end out of principle though.

Suzumiya seems to imply asking her for help was the right thing, as Chizuru's problem is her inability to ask for help.

I kind of hope Suzumiya gets featured more in the rest of the trilogy. Although maybe she's a bit too perfect? Well, we really only get a handful of scenes with her. So the impression is pretty superficial. But she's cute.

Meeting Chizuru's mom in the station... sheesh. What a failure to adult. Her mom going "I can't complain" just after complaining. Classy. Time for yet more exposition.

So she's a single mother. Or did they get divorced?

Seems like Chizuru inspired a shotgun wedding, and after that there was [at least one] divorce. Oh, the husband cheated, not the mother. I am still shocked the mother would be so candid.

Okay, so her mom became a stripper/prostitute in order to support her apparently. I guess Chizuru would look upon that extremely harshly.

"Thinking back on it, these men might have done bad things to her".

"I pretended not to see those things."

Holy shit we just went 0 to DARK in half a second.

Are you fucking serious right now.

No, Chizuru Mom, you can't make fucking excuses. Are you serious?

Why is Takeru treating it like some normal disagreement between mother and daughter? Is this a mistranslation? Am I reading too much into it?

It sounds like Chizuru's Mom let a series of random strangers molest Chizuru. And for this, she says she "cannot complain about Chizuru" now? Go lie on the train tracks you horrible, worthless, useless irresponsible piece of shit.

So Chizuru's Mom at least was mindful when she started telling Takeru all those things about her daughter.

That phone call now... is kind of forbidding. Chizuru must be in serious trouble.

Did she run out from her house?

Calling Takeru over just to pick up his things is kind of silly though.

Why is Takeru trying to tell Chizuru a scary story now? Oh come on, she gets scared and clingy? That's dumb.

Oh. He must have gotten Marimo or someone to help him scare Chizuru? Although that's strange -- oh, it was just a joke.

Chizuru is refusing to go to school because Takeru is telling her to go? How does that make sense? Oh come on. "If someone is helping me do something, I'm not doing it by myself and therefore cannot"?

Well, Chizuru predictably exploded at Takeru telling her he spoke to Suzumiya and her mother. You're such a dumbass Takeru.

Is Sumika going to come in to the rescue now, like Meiya did in Ayamine's route? That should make sense. Takeru actually went to school after Chizuru's mom called to say she was missing? Is this guy literally insane?

Cute, having Ayamine spot Takeru and Chizuru but leave them alone. I like how there's not *that* much attention drawn to it.

hahaha, god these tropes. "Chizuru's hair brushes past my face. I smell shampoo I've never smelled before". Chizuru ought to be smelling pretty badly right now, having spent who long how long just wandering the street.

And now Suzumiya sent Takeru and Chizuru out on a date. This route has no internal progression whatsoever, everything is motivated externally. No chemistry at all.

And now this issue with the teachers trying to pin Chizuru's problems on Ayamine and Takeru... that just makes no sense. Stupid conversation, and could have been cleared up so easily. "If we were bullying Chizuru, why would Marimo ask us of all people to help her?".

Done.

That gym teacher is a damn psycho.

I finished the rest of the route without taking notes because it was getting tiresome. Well, Takeru and Chizuru have a talk in the classroom and Takeru asks her to respond to his prior confession of love. Chizuru takes \*forever\* in the most unbearably long scene, stopping to practically do breathing exercises first. It was kind of hilarious to be honest, but taken a tiny bit too far.

The H-scene was pretty forgettable.

I did like the epilogue though. "Chizuru, Suzumiya and Sumika - the axis of evil" was rather hilarious. The scene where Chizuru and Takeru go to make wishes on New Year's was pretty nice. Fun to see the change in Chizuru's personality.

I don't have time for it right now, but next up will be Marimo's joke ending followed by Tama.