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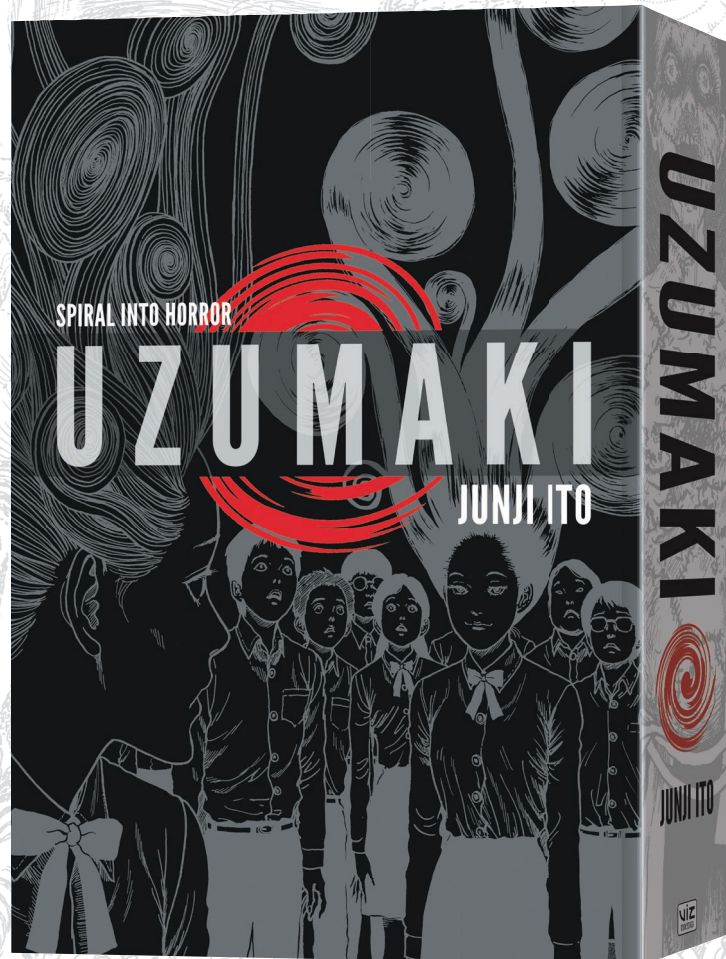
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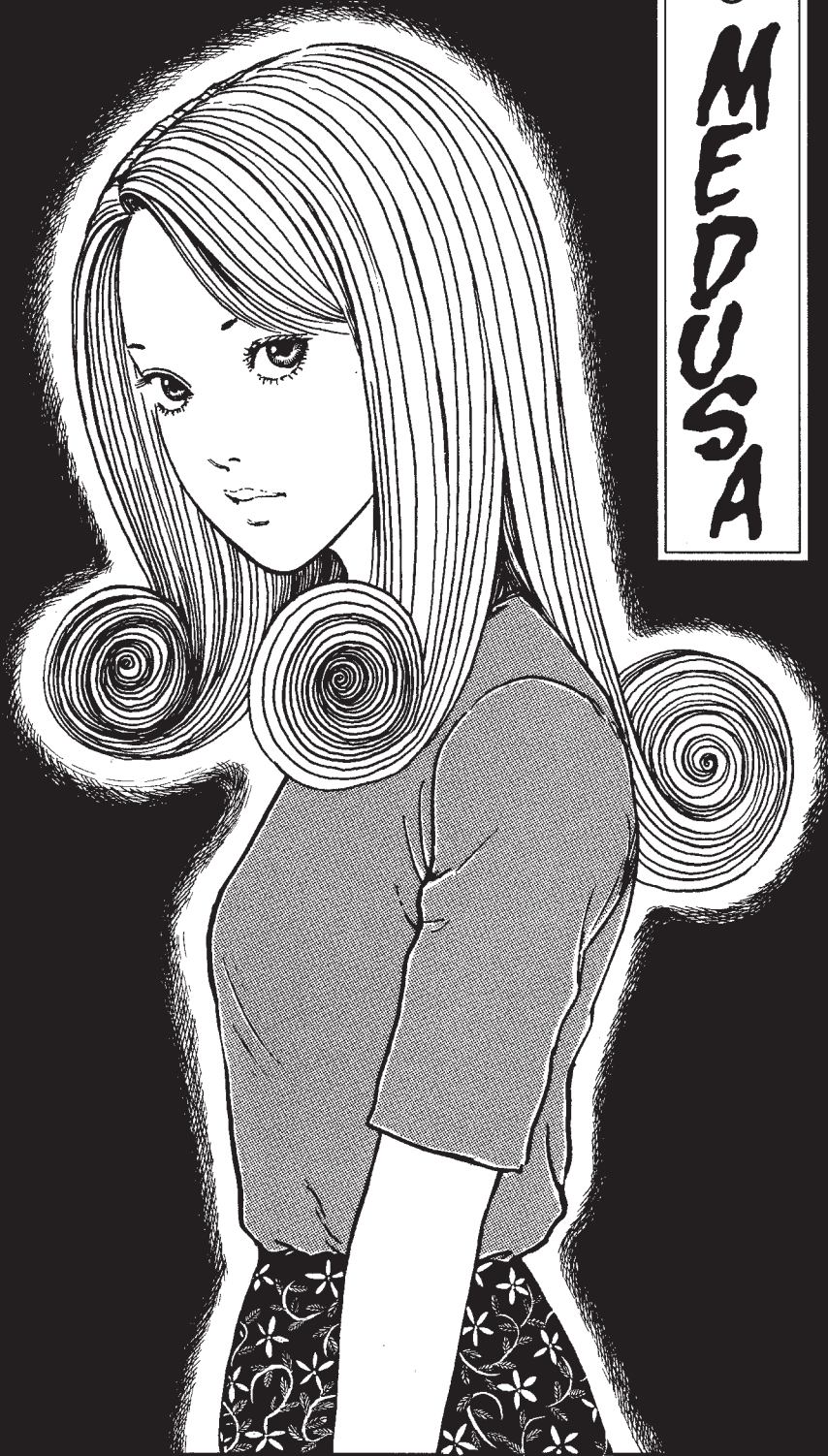
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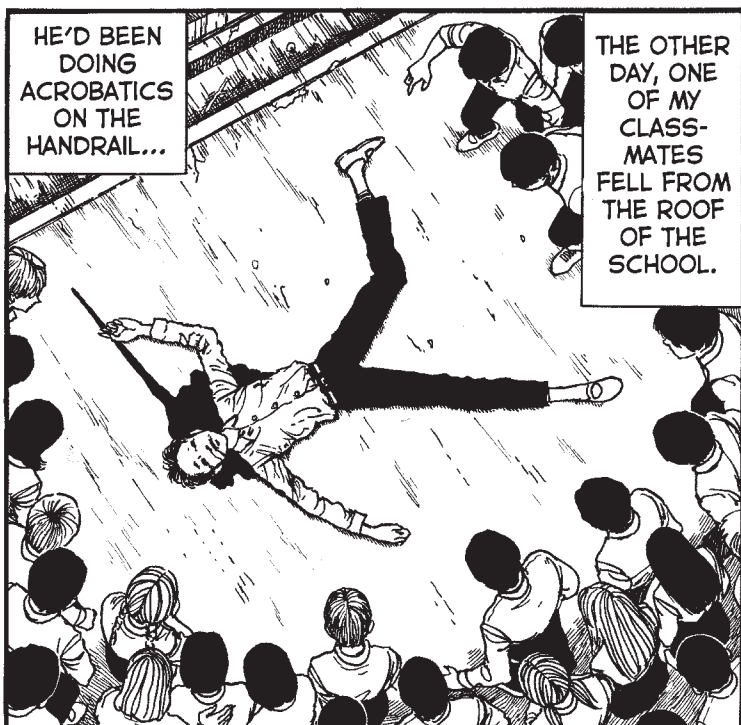
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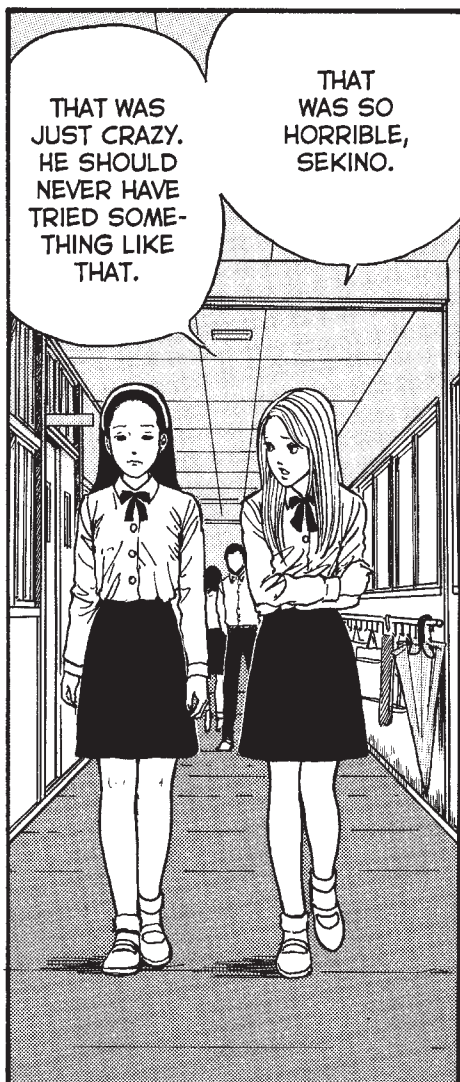


...WHEN HE
SLIPPED. HE'D
ALWAYS BEEN A
SHOW-OFF,
TRYING TO GET
PEOPLE'S
ATTENTION.



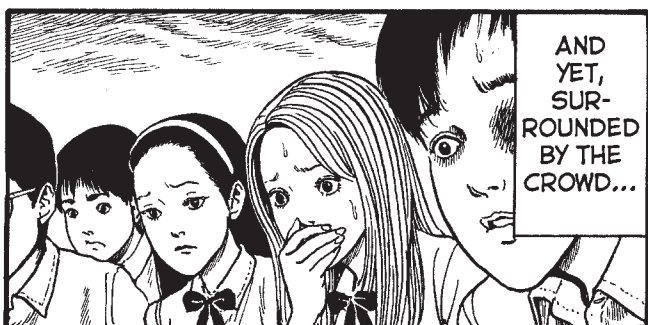
HE'D BEEN
DOING
ACROBATICS
ON THE
HANDRAIL...

THE OTHER
DAY, ONE
OF MY
CLASS-
MATES
FELL FROM
THE ROOF
OF THE
SCHOOL.

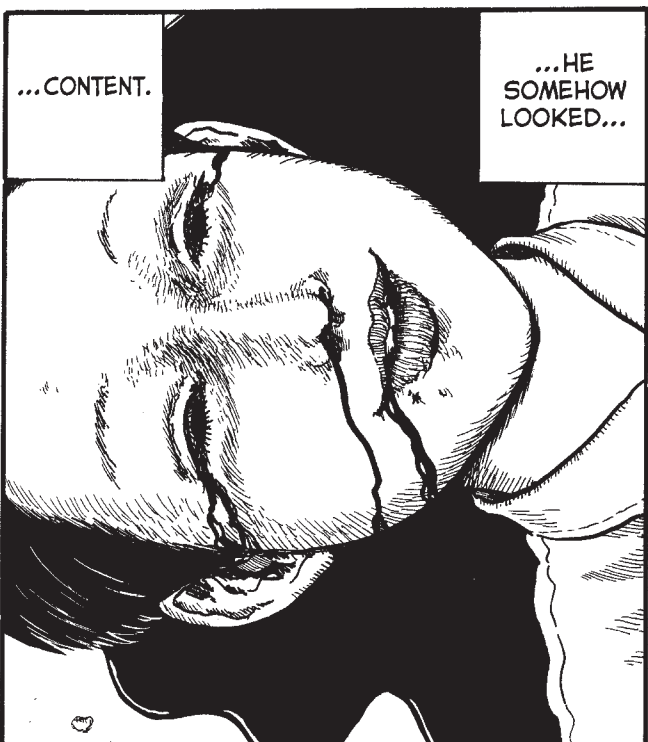


THAT WAS
JUST CRAZY.
HE SHOULD
NEVER HAVE
TRIED SOME-
THING LIKE
THAT.

THAT
WAS SO
HORRIBLE,
SEKINO.

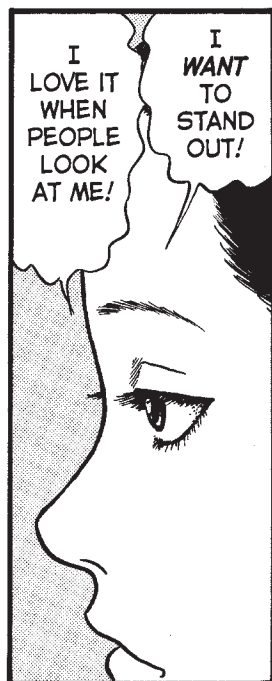
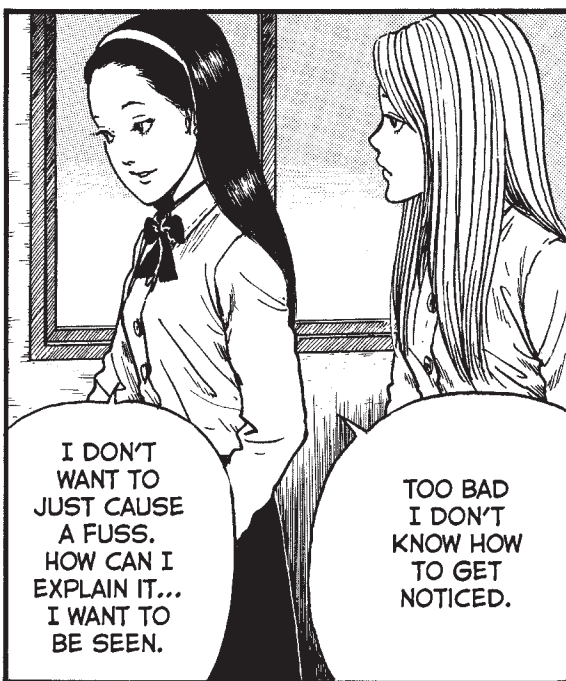
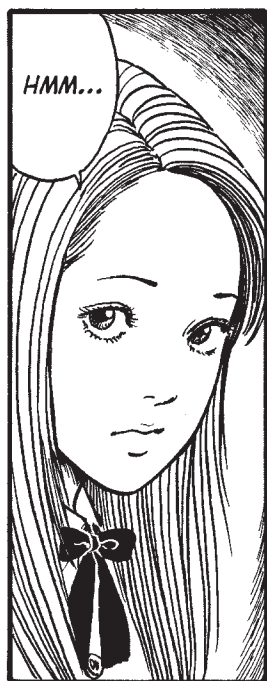
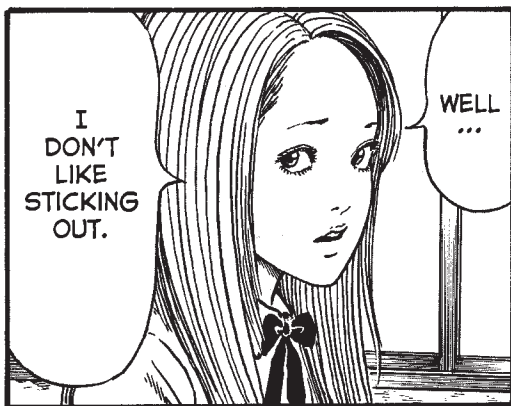
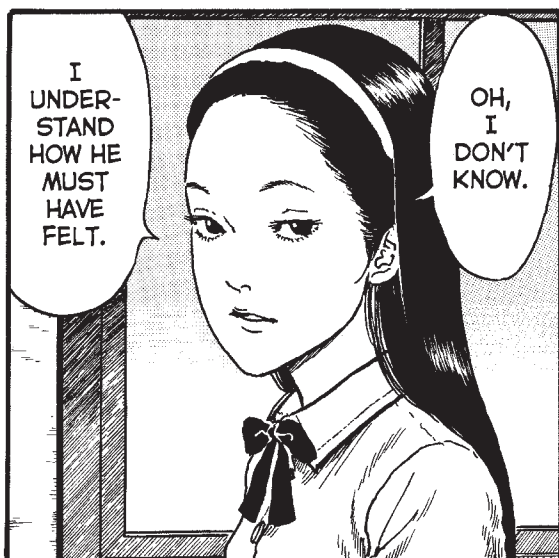
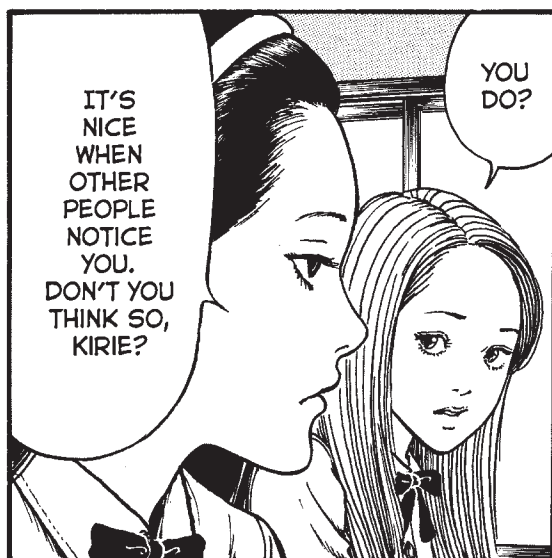


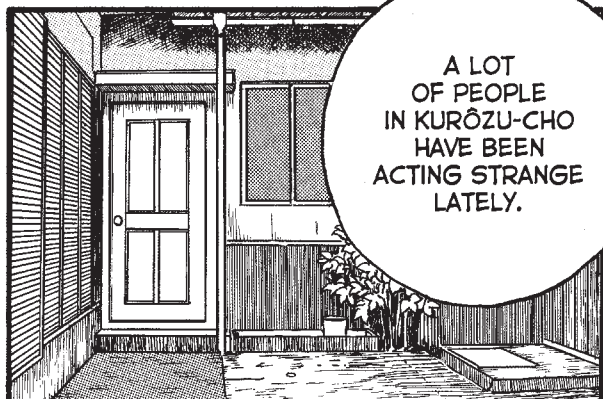
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YET,
SUR-
ROUNDED
BY THE
CROWD...



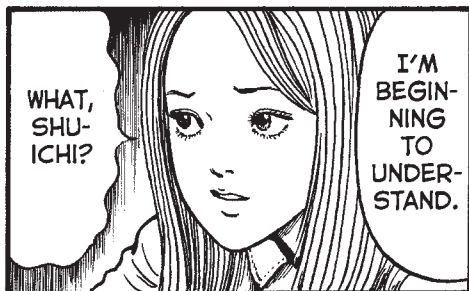
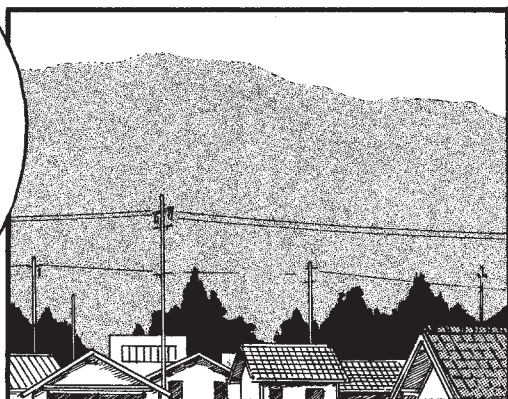
...CONTENT.

...HE
SOMEHOW
LOOKED...



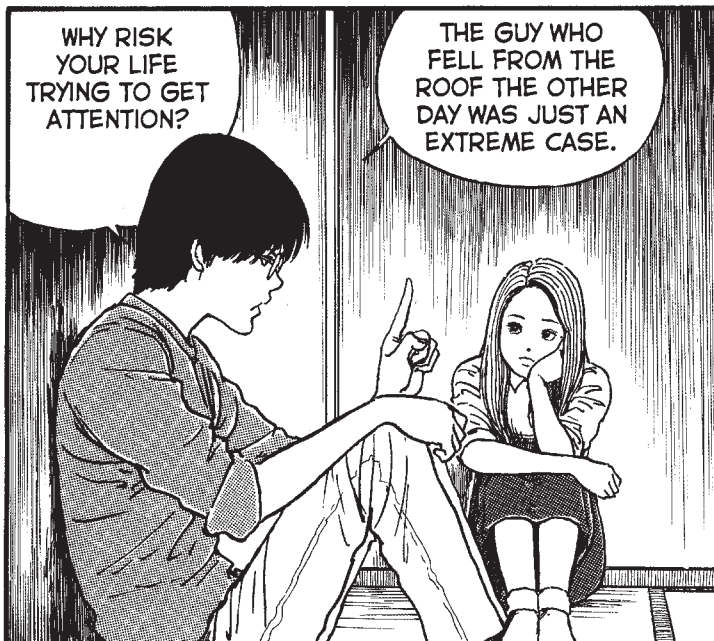


A LOT
OF PEOPLE
IN KURÔZU-CHO
HAVE BEEN
ACTING STRANGE
LATELY.



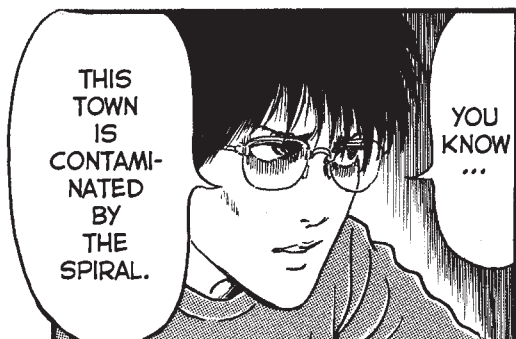
WHAT,
SHU-
ICHI?

I'M
BEGIN-
NING
TO
UNDER-
STAND.



WHY RISK
YOUR LIFE
TRYING TO GET
ATTENTION?

THE GUY WHO
FELL FROM THE
ROOF THE OTHER
DAY WAS JUST AN
EXTREME CASE.



THIS
TOWN
IS
CONTAMI-
NATED
BY
THE
SPIRAL.

YOU
KNOW
...



IT'S
ABOUT
MESMERISM.

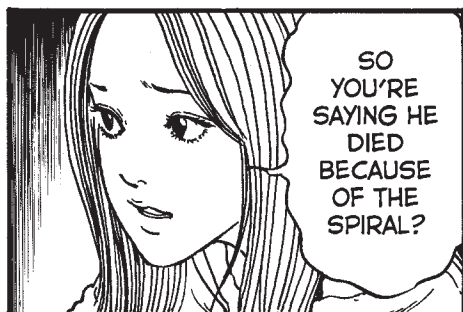
DON'T
YOU
SEE?

THEY
BOTH
HAVE THE
POWER TO
ATTRACT
PEOPLE.



WHAT
DOES
WANTING
ATTENTION
HAVE TO
DO WITH A
SPIRAL?

NOT
AGAIN.

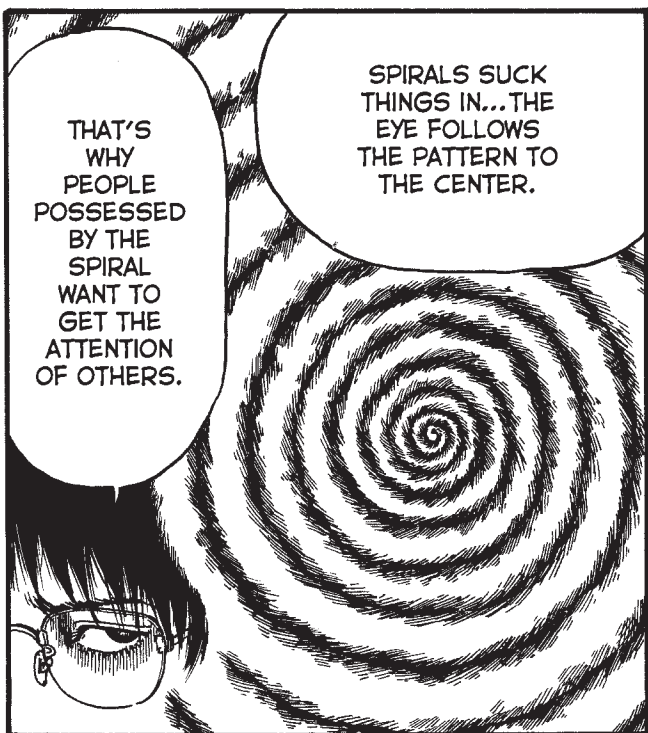


SO
YOU'RE
SAYING HE
DIED
BECAUSE
OF THE
SPIRAL?



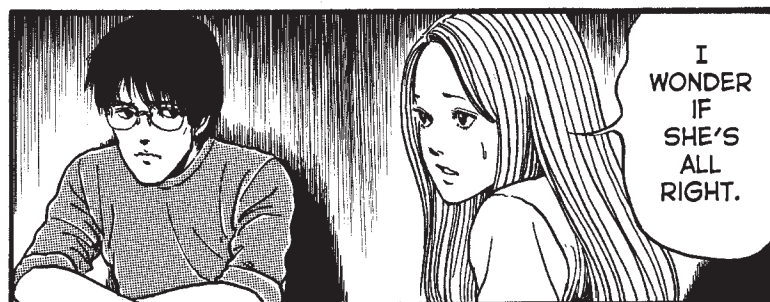
NOT
JUST HIM,
BUT
EVERYONE
WHO'S
OBSESSED
WITH
ATTENTION.

THAT'S
RIGHT.

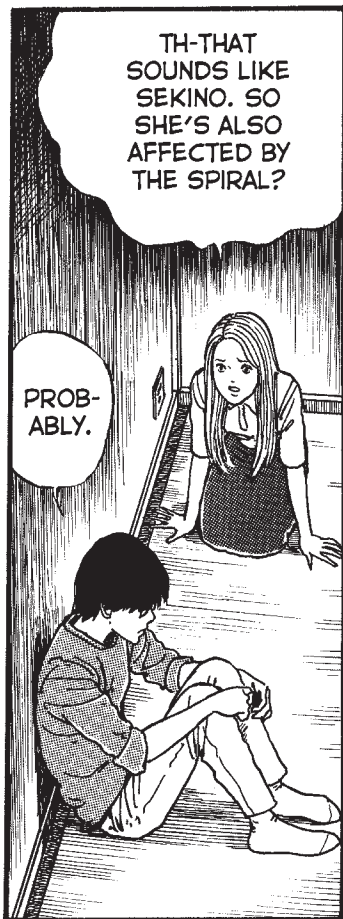


THAT'S
WHY
PEOPLE
POSSESSED
BY THE
SPIRAL
WANT TO
GET THE
ATTENTION
OF OTHERS.

SPIRALS SUCK
THINGS IN...THE
EYE FOLLOWS
THE PATTERN TO
THE CENTER.

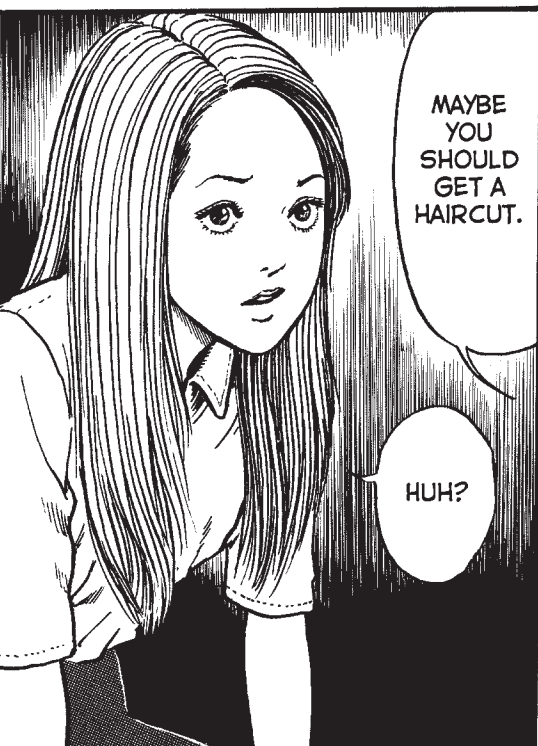


I
WONDER
IF
SHE'S
ALL
RIGHT.



TH-THAT
SOUNDS LIKE
SEKINO. SO
SHE'S ALSO
AFFECTED BY
THE SPIRAL?

PROB-
ABLY.



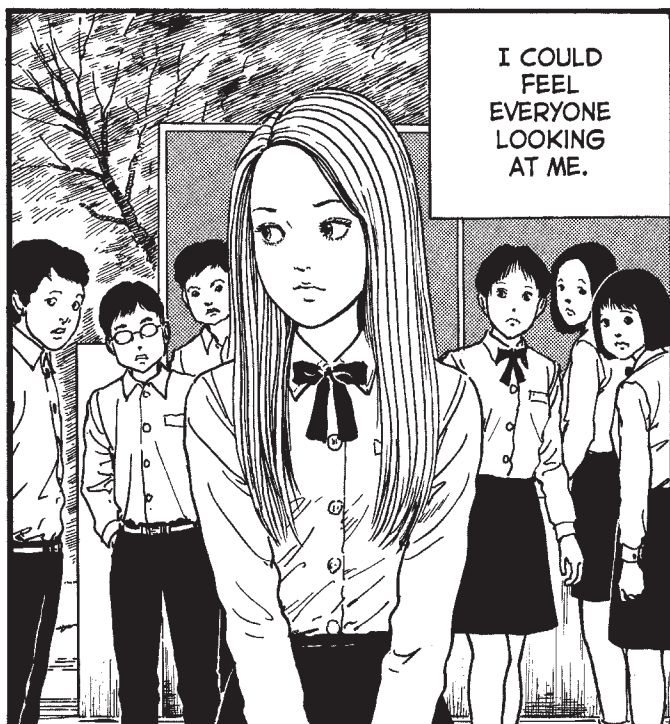
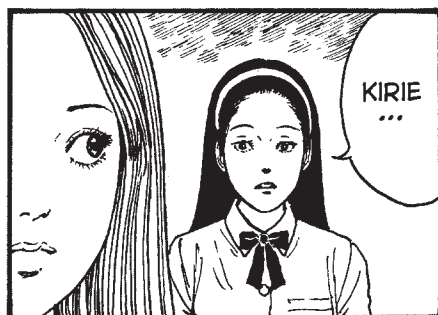
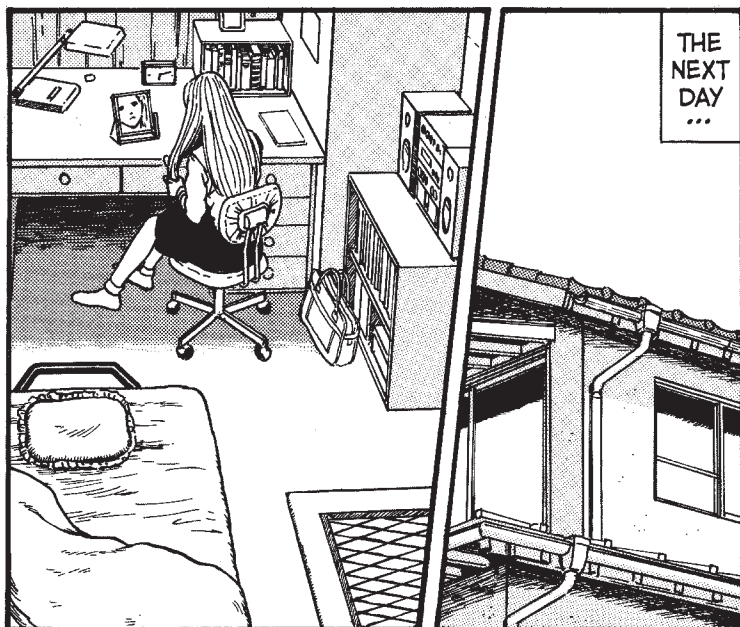
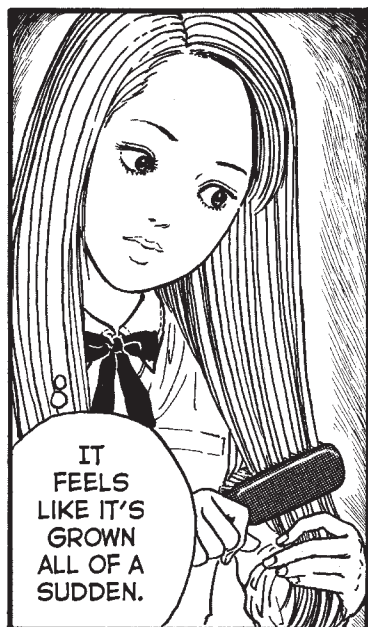
MAYBE
YOU
SHOULD
GET A
HAIRCUT.

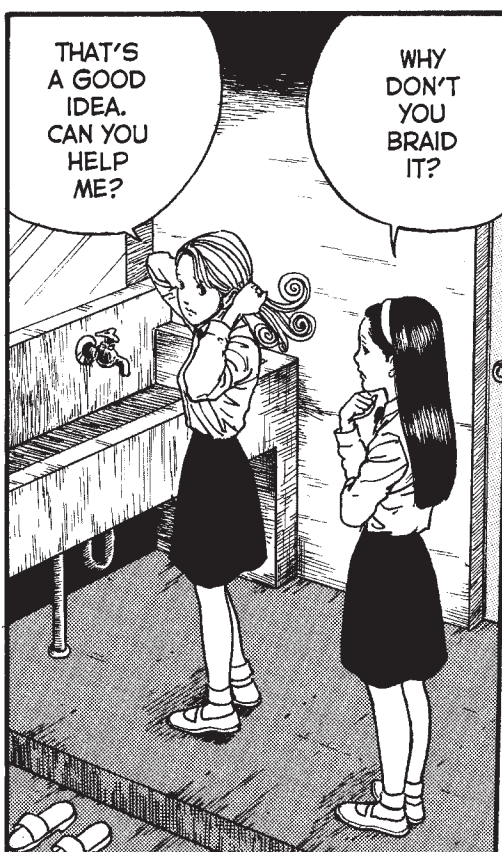
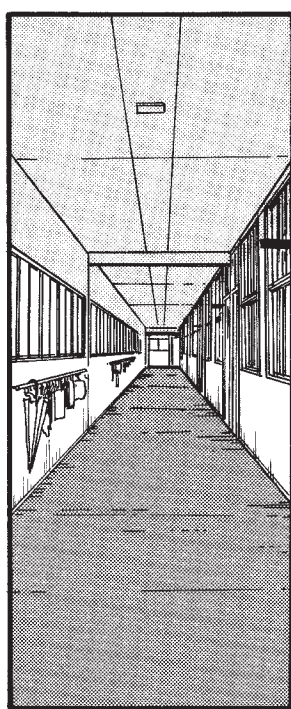
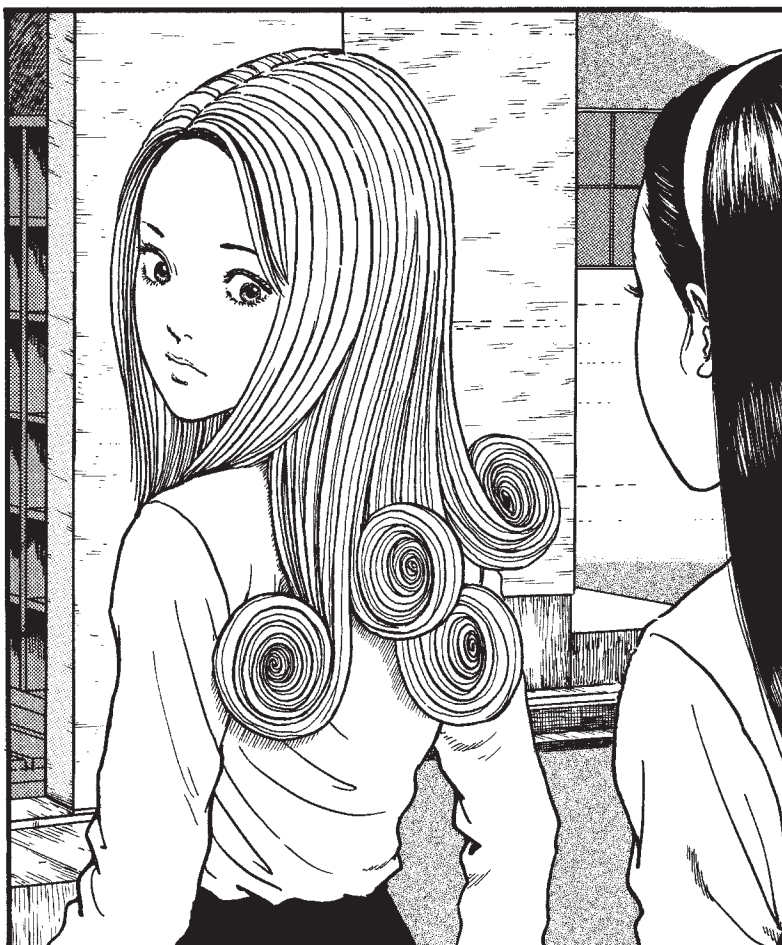
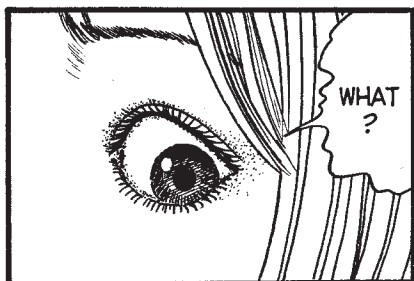
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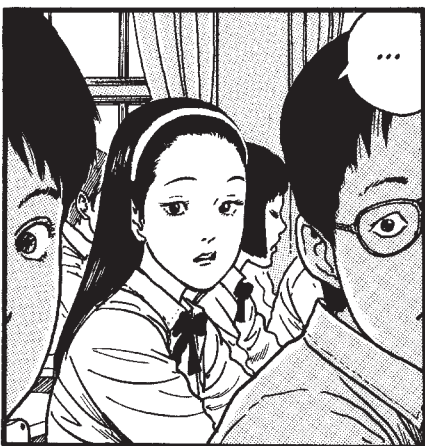
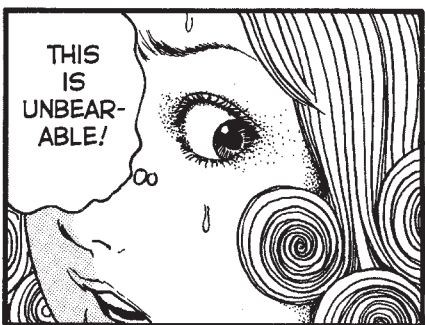
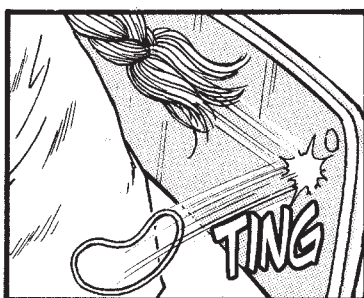
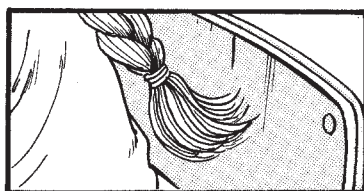
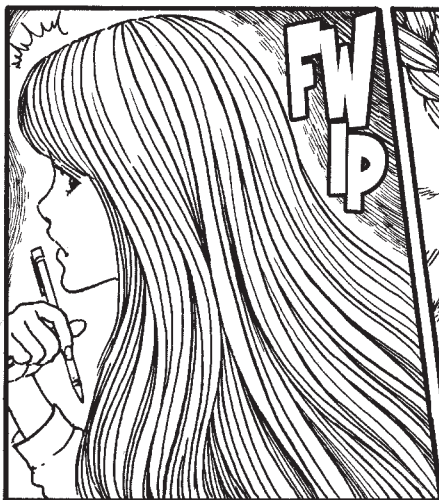
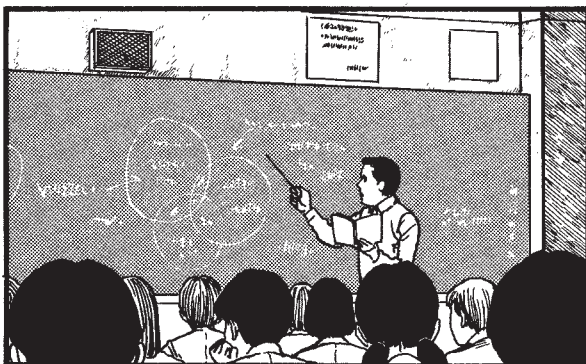
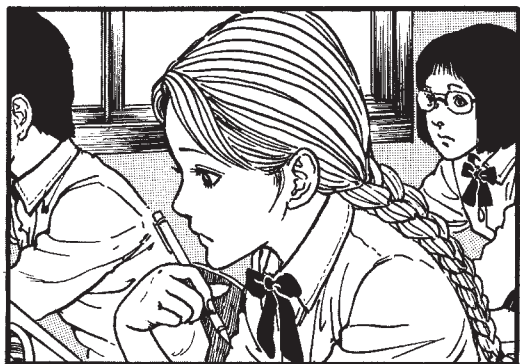


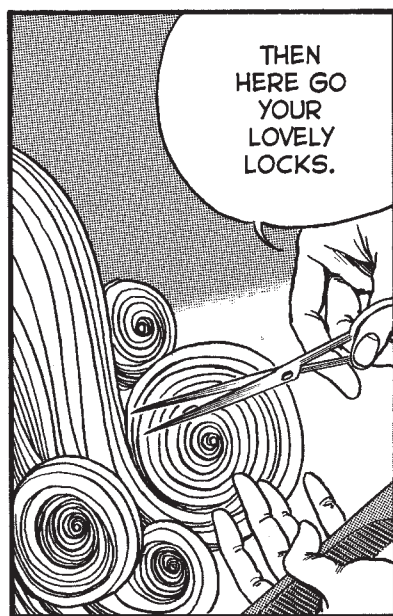
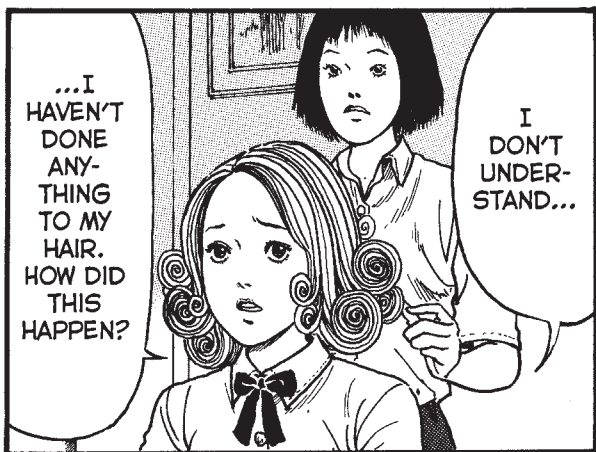
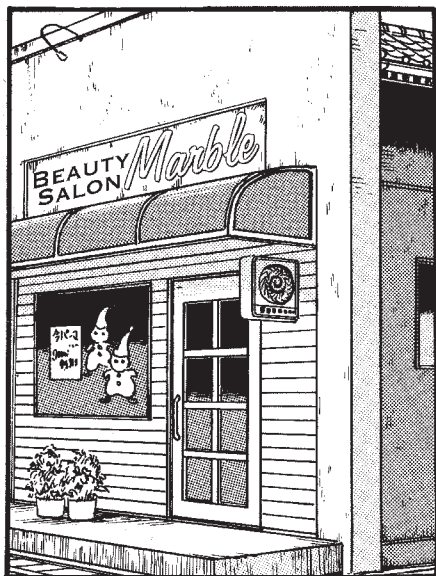
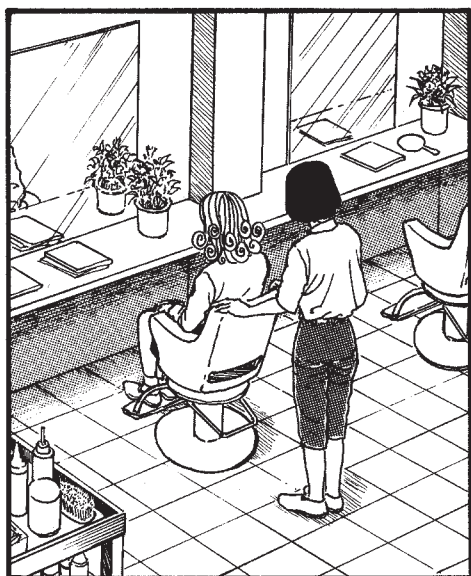
...YOUR
HAIR'S
GETTING
LONG.

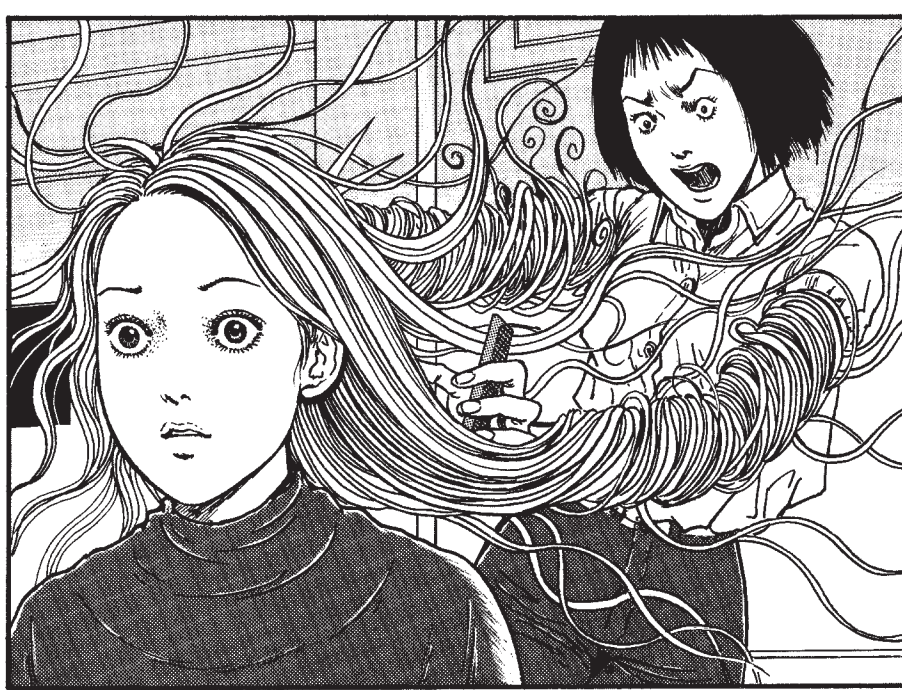
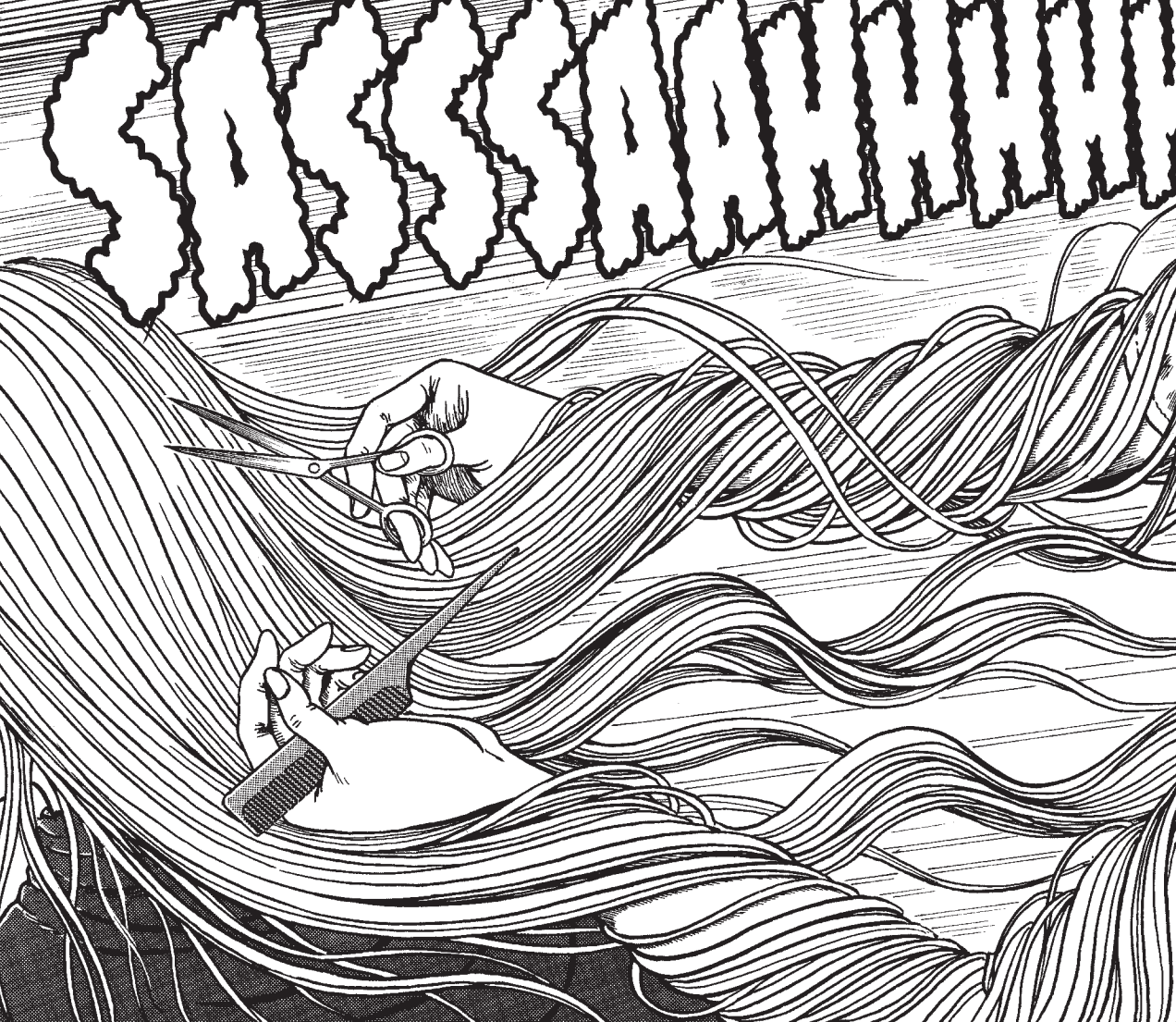
HEY,
YOU
KNOW...

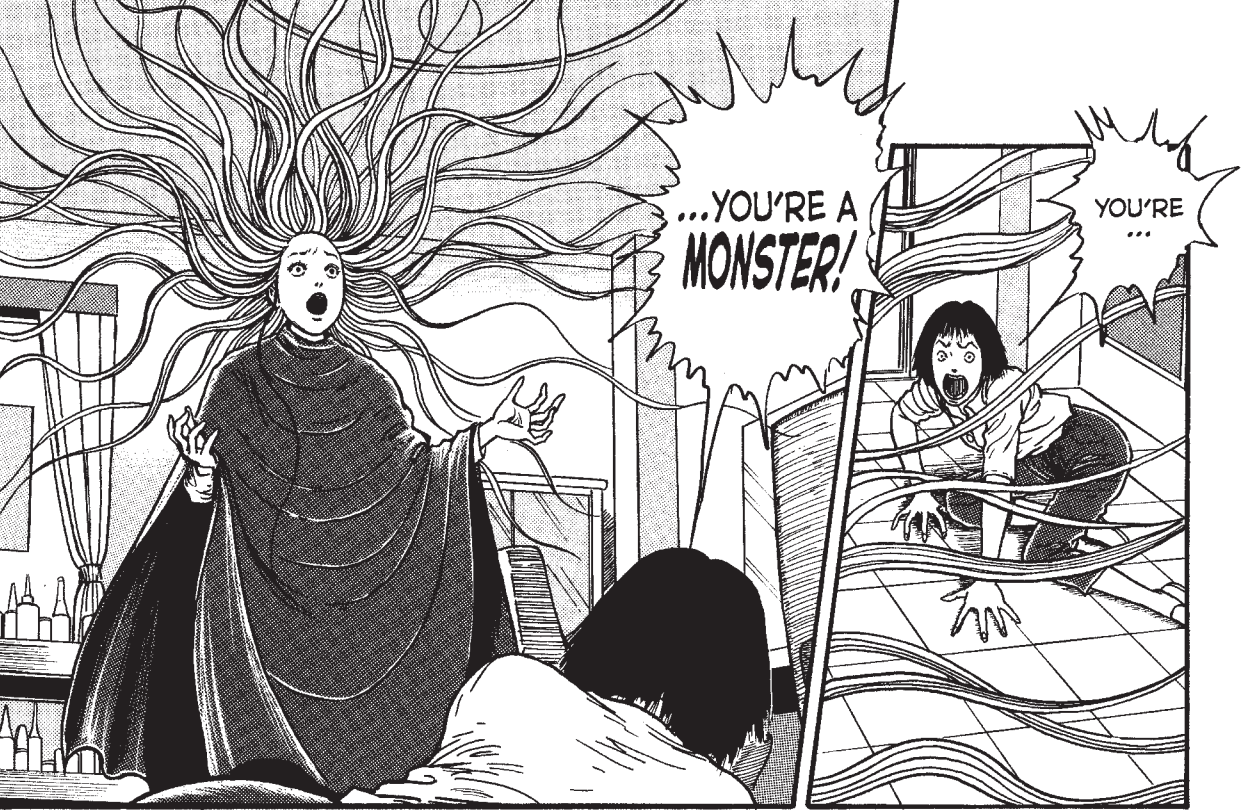












...YOU'RE A
MONSTER!

YOU'RE
...

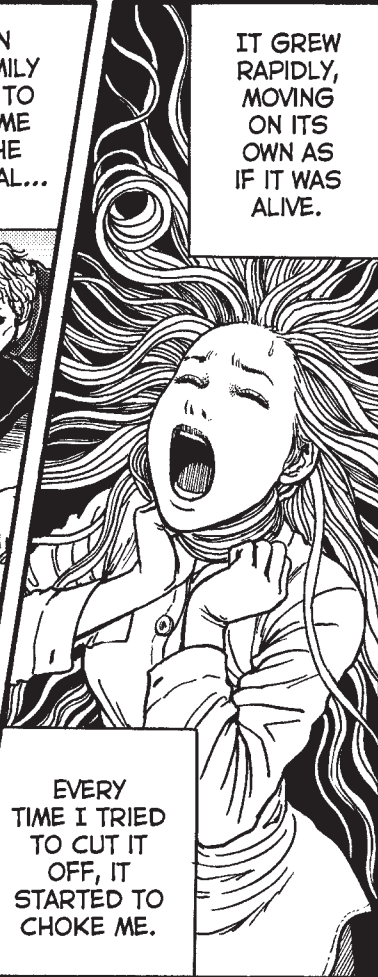


AA
GH!

I
CAN'T
BREATHE
!

WHEN
MY FAMILY
TRIED TO
TAKE ME
TO THE
HOSPITAL...

...IT
STRANGLING
ME
AGAIN.



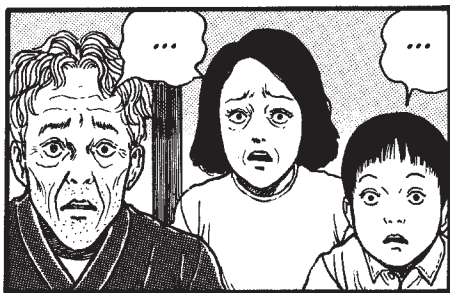
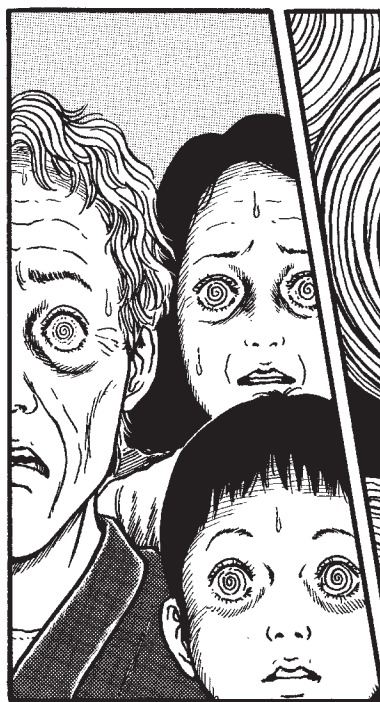
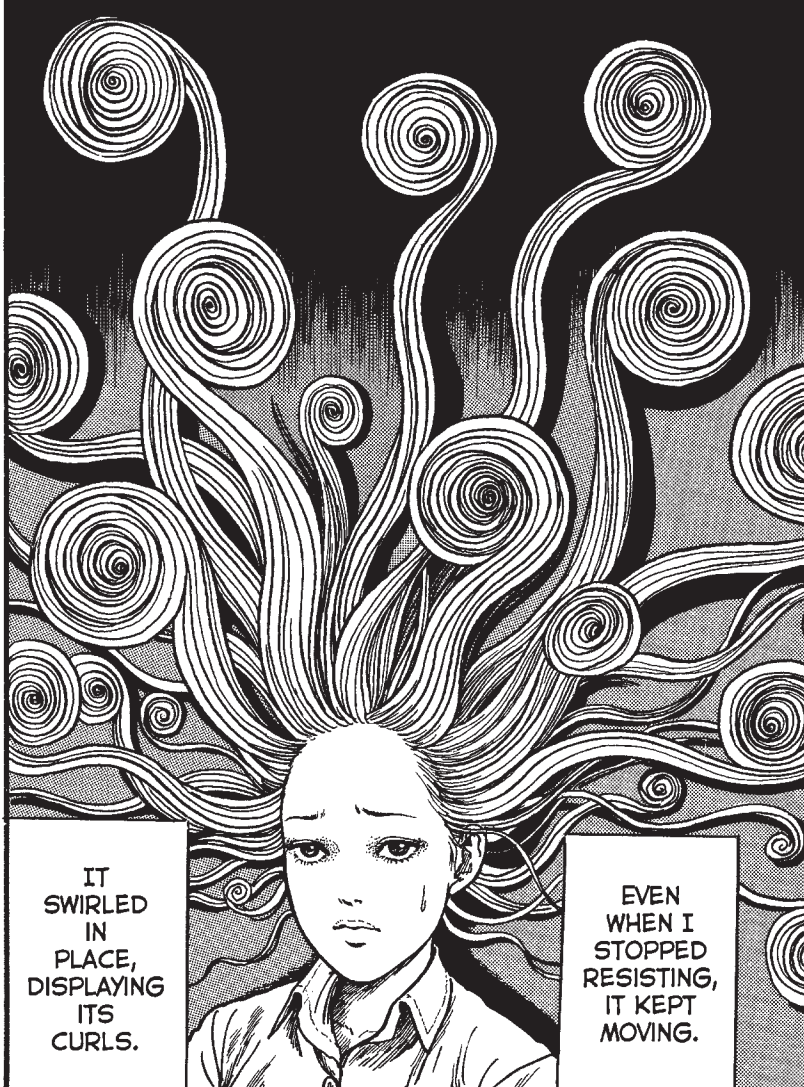
IT GREW
RAPIDLY,
MOVING
ON ITS
OWN AS
IF IT WAS
ALIVE.

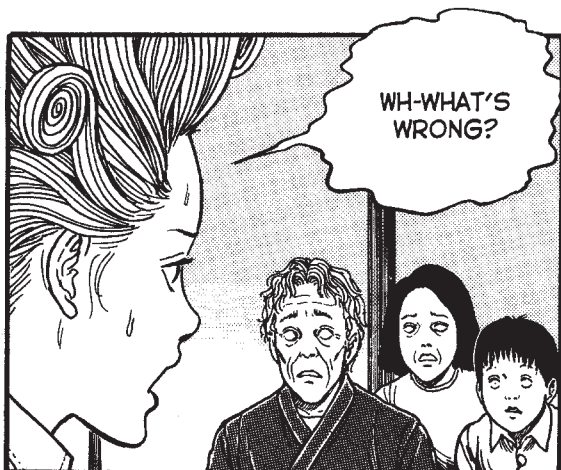
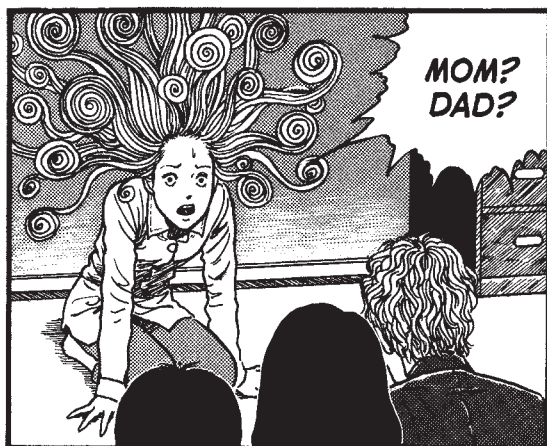
EVERY
TIME I TRIED
TO CUT IT
OFF, IT
STARTED TO
CHOK ME.



WAS
MY
HAIR
...

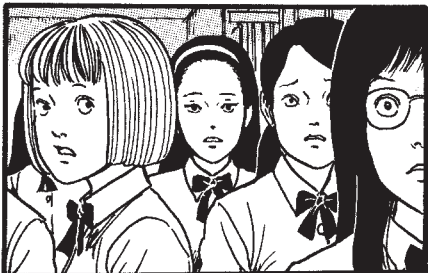
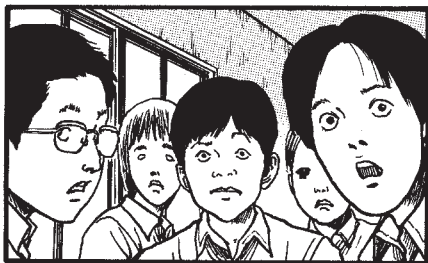
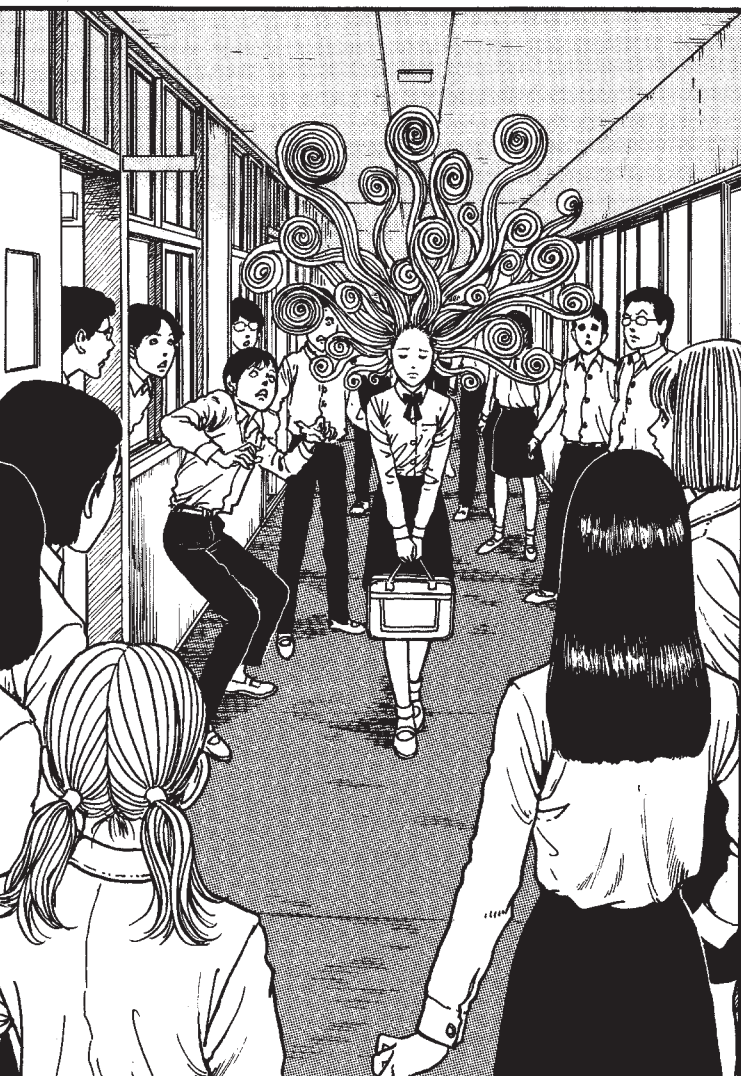
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CURSED
BY
THE
SPIRAL?



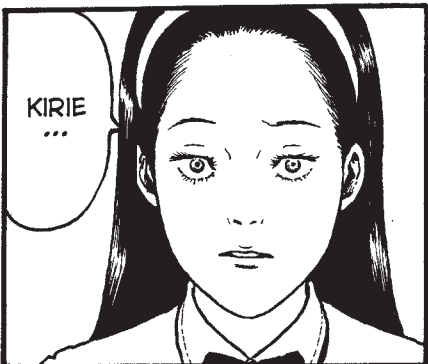


AND
IT WAS
ATTRACTED
TO
CROWDS.

I SOON
REALIZED THAT
MY HAIR HAD
THE POWER TO
MESMERIZE
PEOPLE WHO
LOOKED AT IT.



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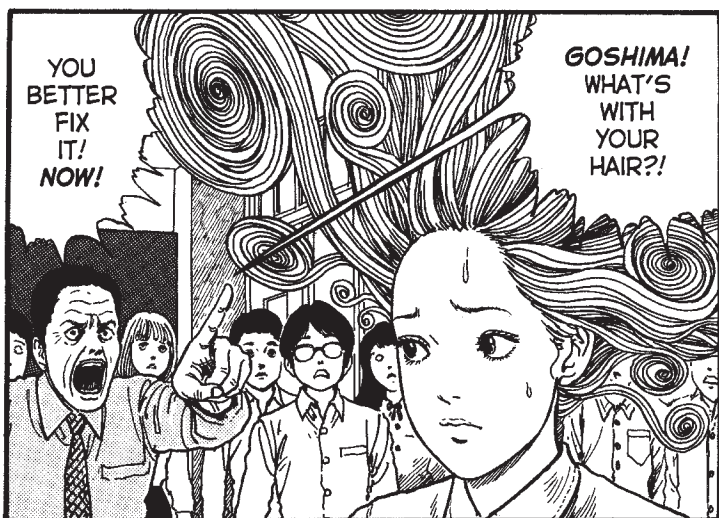


...THE BETTER
TO DRAW
PEOPLE'S
ATTENTION.

MY HAIR
CONSTANTLY
CHANGED
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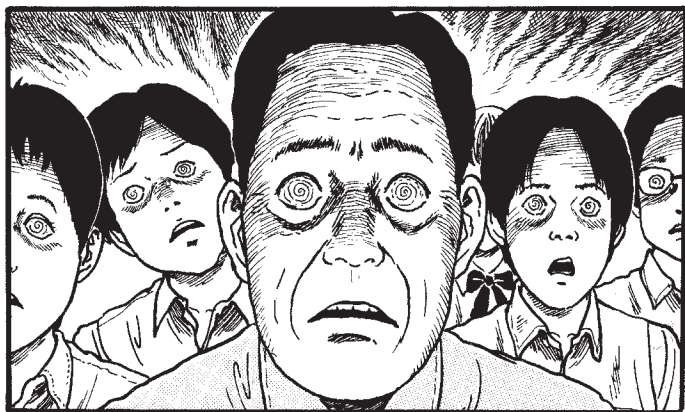


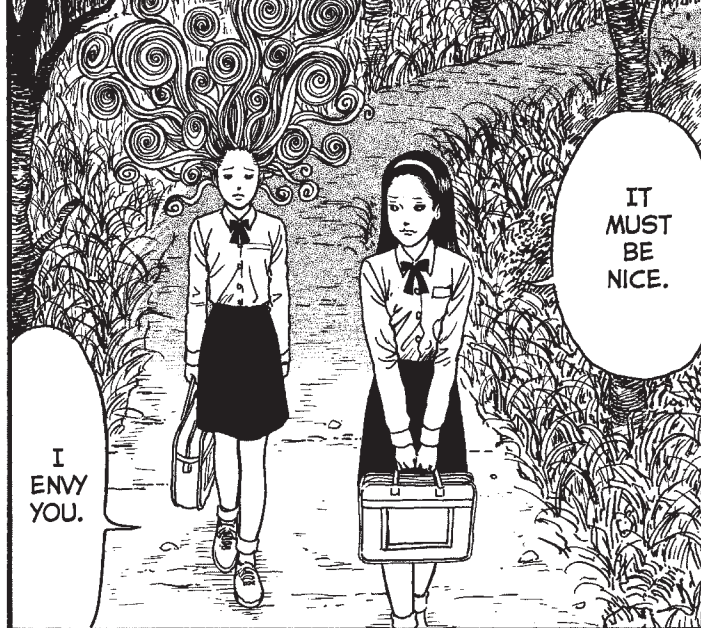
SASSSSH



YOU
BETTER
FIX
IT!
NOW!

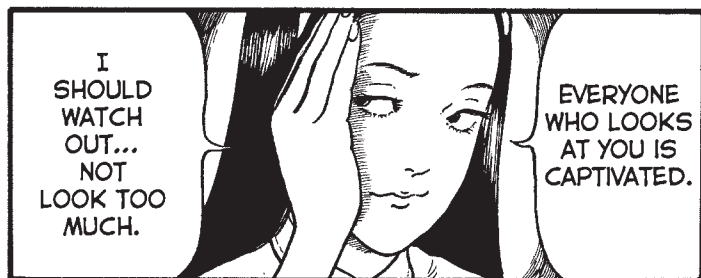
GOSHIMA!
WHAT'S
WITH
YOUR
HAIR?!





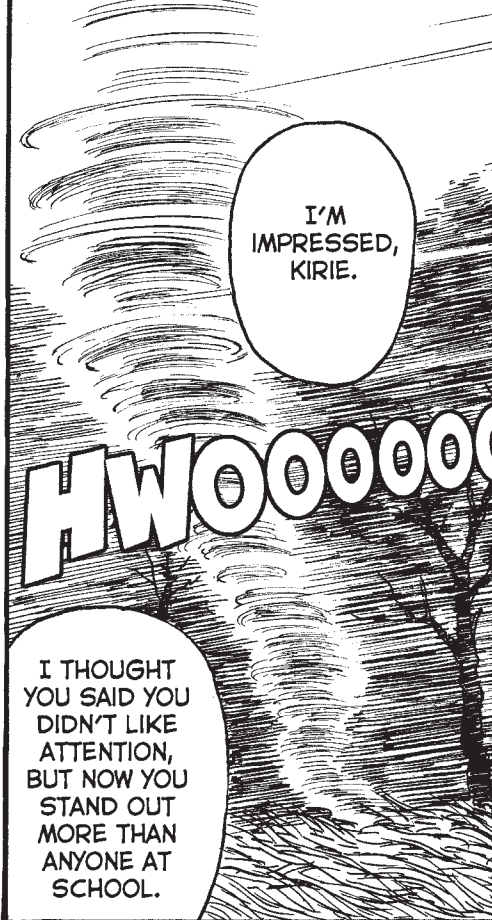
I
ENVY
YOU.

IT
MUST
BE
NICE.



I
SHOULD
WATCH
OUT...
NOT
LOOK TOO
MUCH.

EVERYONE
WHO LOOKS
AT YOU IS
CAPTIVATED.



I'M
IMPRESSED,
KIRIE.

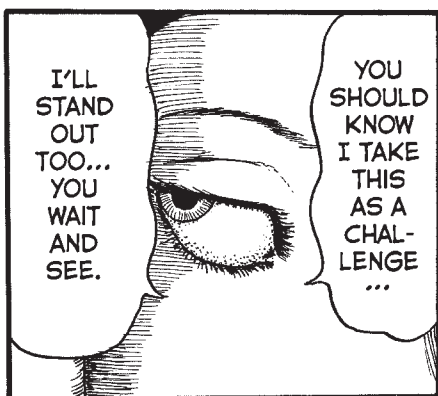
I THOUGHT
YOU SAID YOU
DIDN'T LIKE
ATTENTION,
BUT NOW YOU
STAND OUT
MORE THAN
ANYONE AT
SCHOOL.



KUROUZU STATION

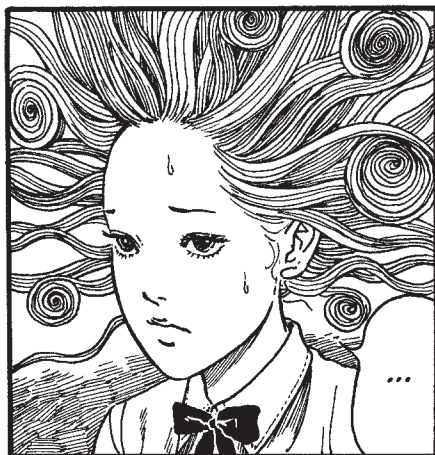
AFTER
SCHOOL
MY HAIR
TOOK ME
TO THE
STATION...

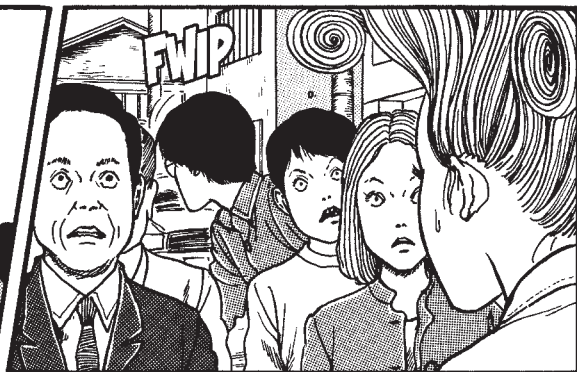
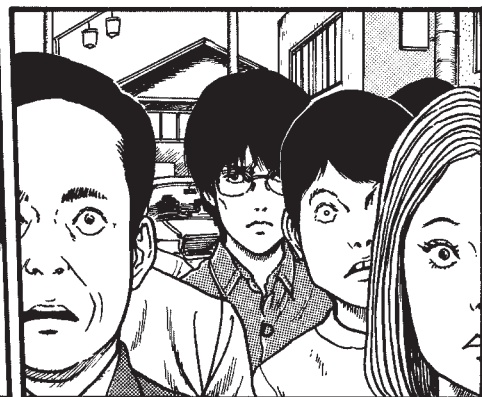
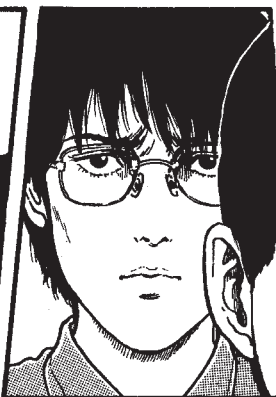
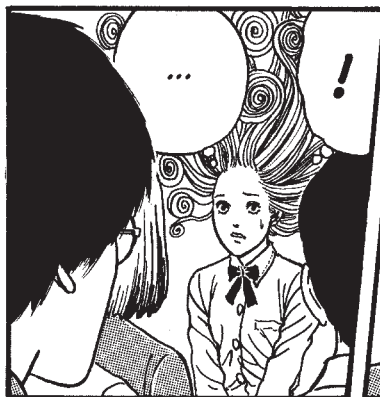
...BECAUSE
IT WANTED
A LARGER
AUDIENCE.

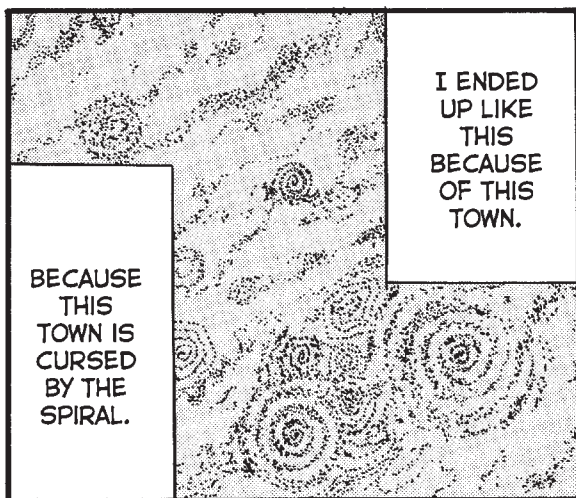


I'LL
STAND
OUT
TOO...
YOU
WAIT
AND
SEE.

YOU
SHOULD
KNOW
I TAKE
THIS
AS A
CHALLENGE
...







BECAUSE
THIS
TOWN IS
CURSED
BY THE
SPIRAL.

I ENDED
UP LIKE
THIS
BECAUSE
OF THIS
TOWN.



IS
MY HAIR
DRAINING
ALL MY
STRENGTH?

NOW
I'M TOO
WEAK TO
GET AWAY
FROM
HERE...



LOOK
AT
ME!

GOOD
MORNING
KIRIE!



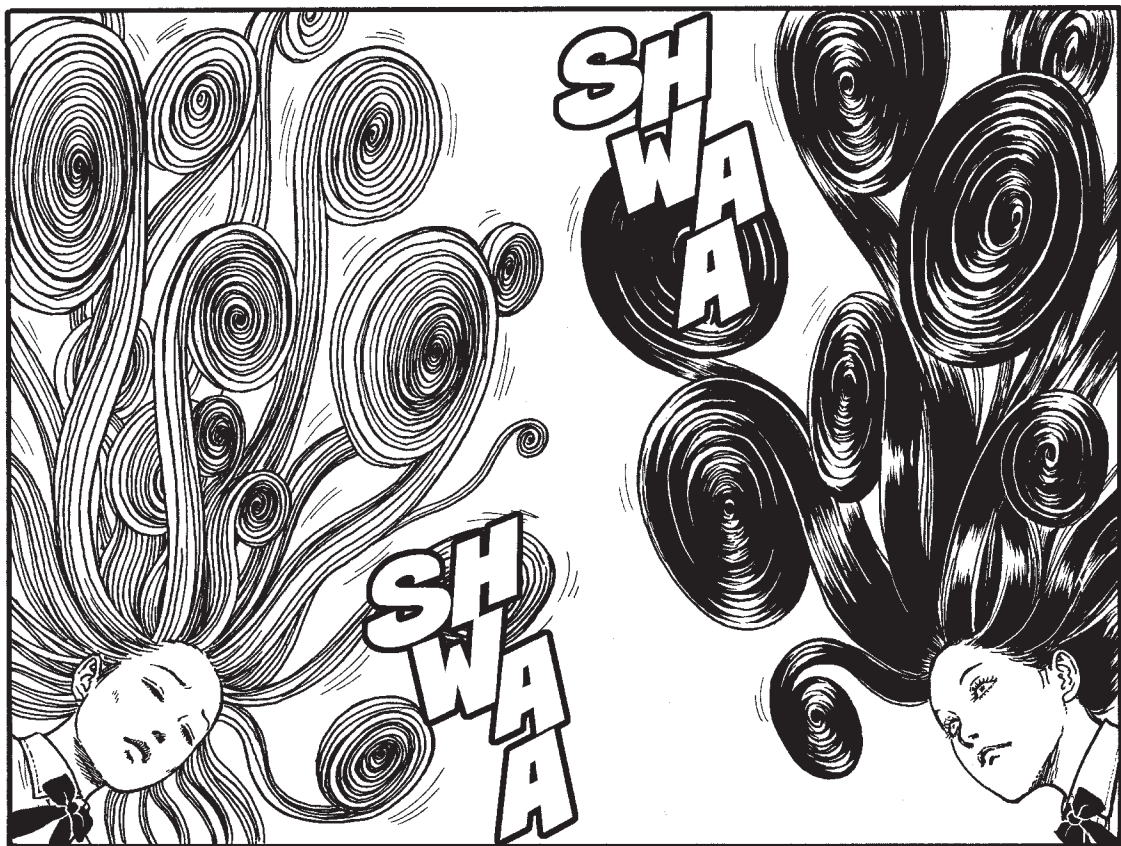
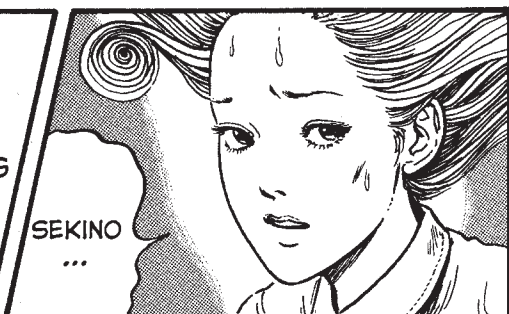
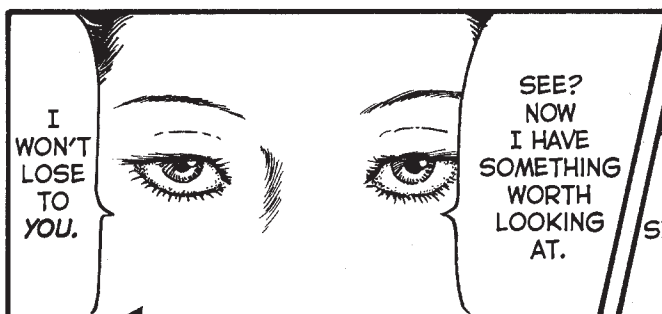
WOW!



...GROW-
ING AND
GROW-
ING.

MY
HAIR
KEPT
ON...



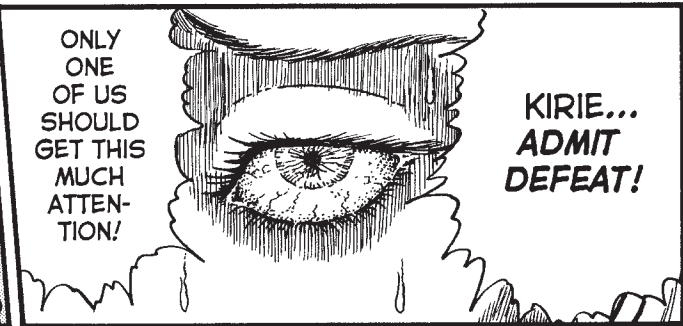
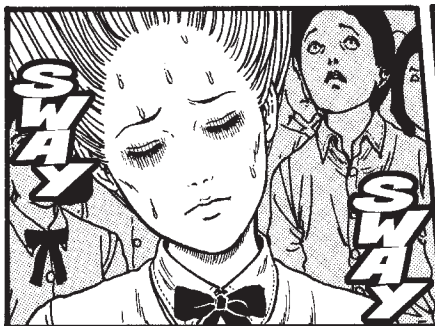
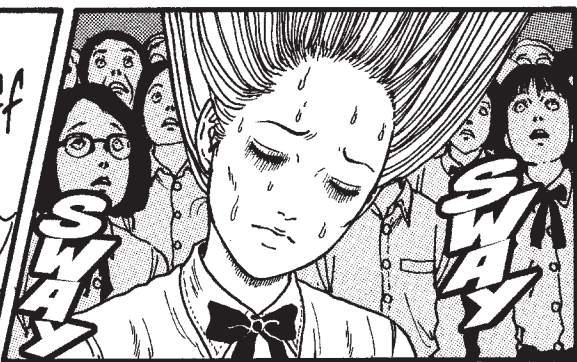
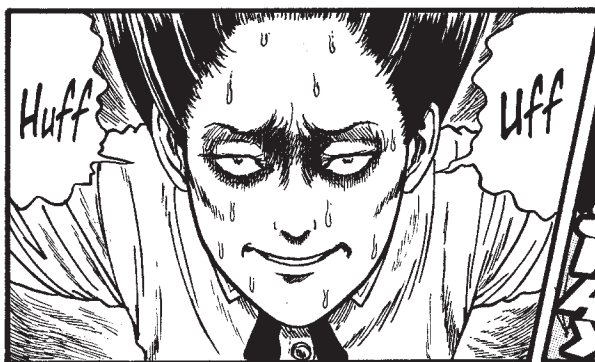


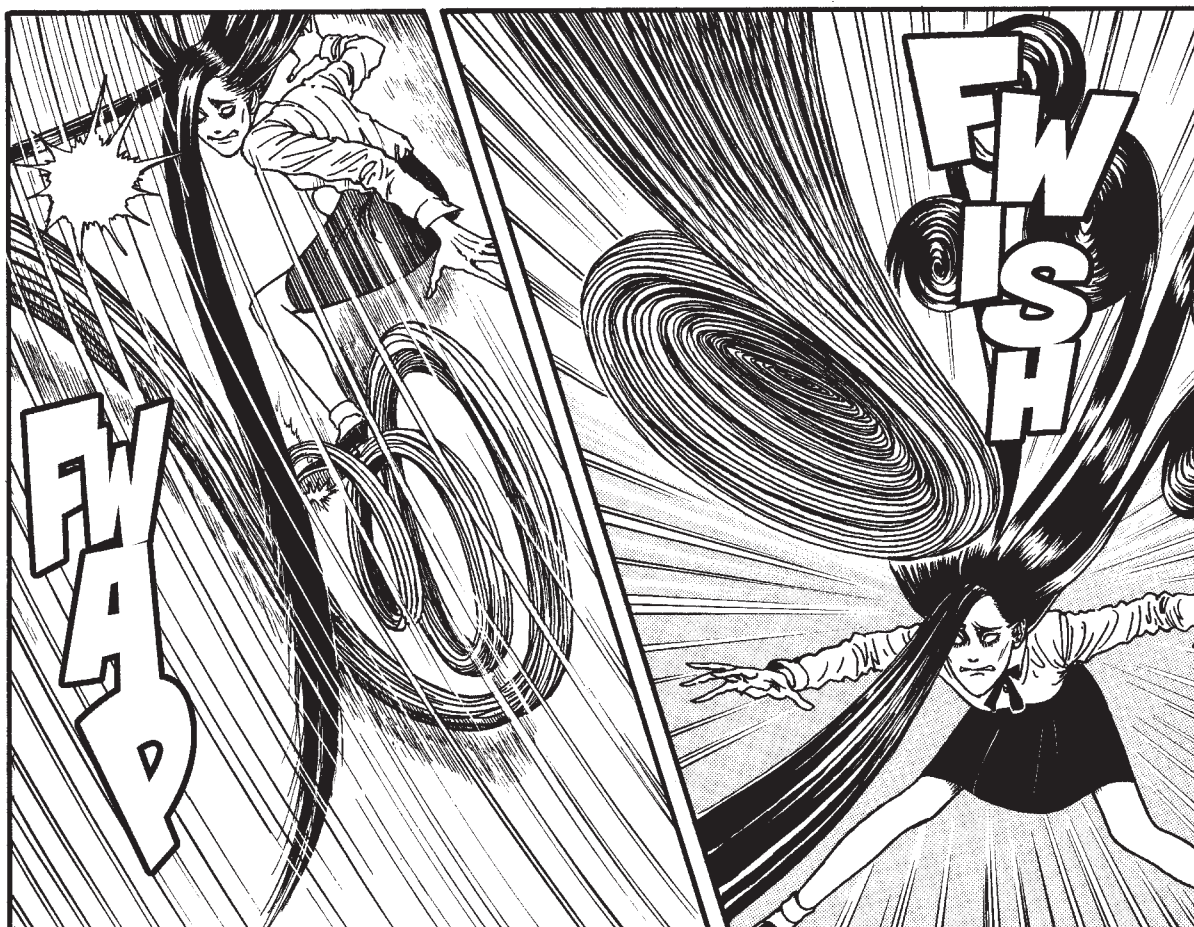
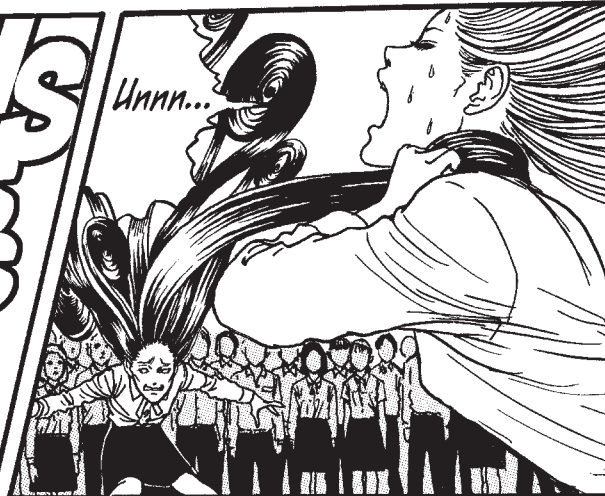
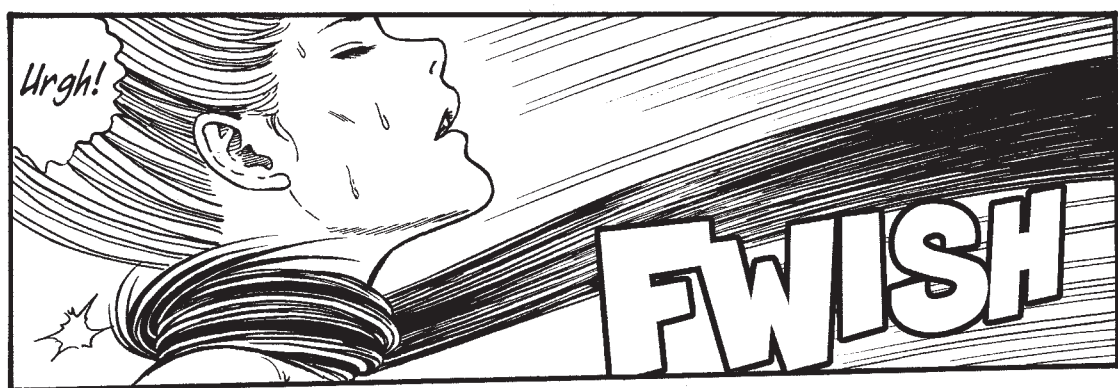
HER HAIR AND
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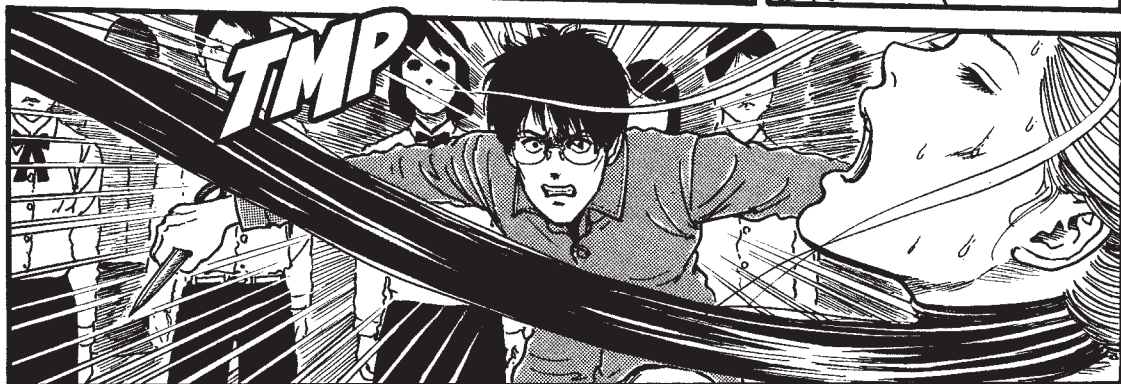
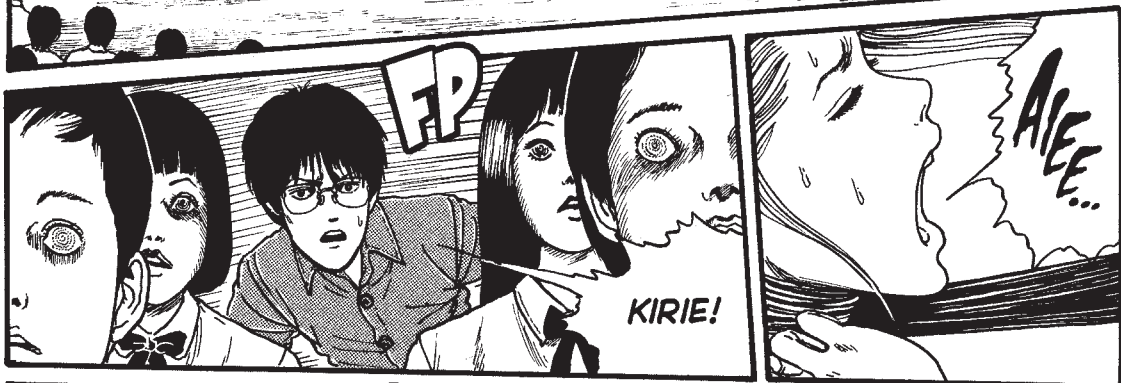
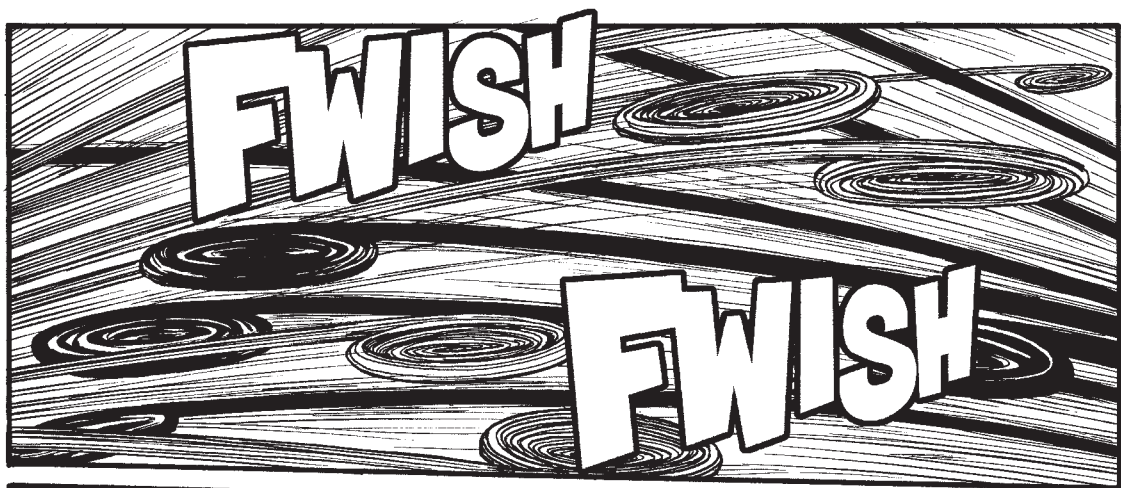
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WAS A
BATTLEFIELD.

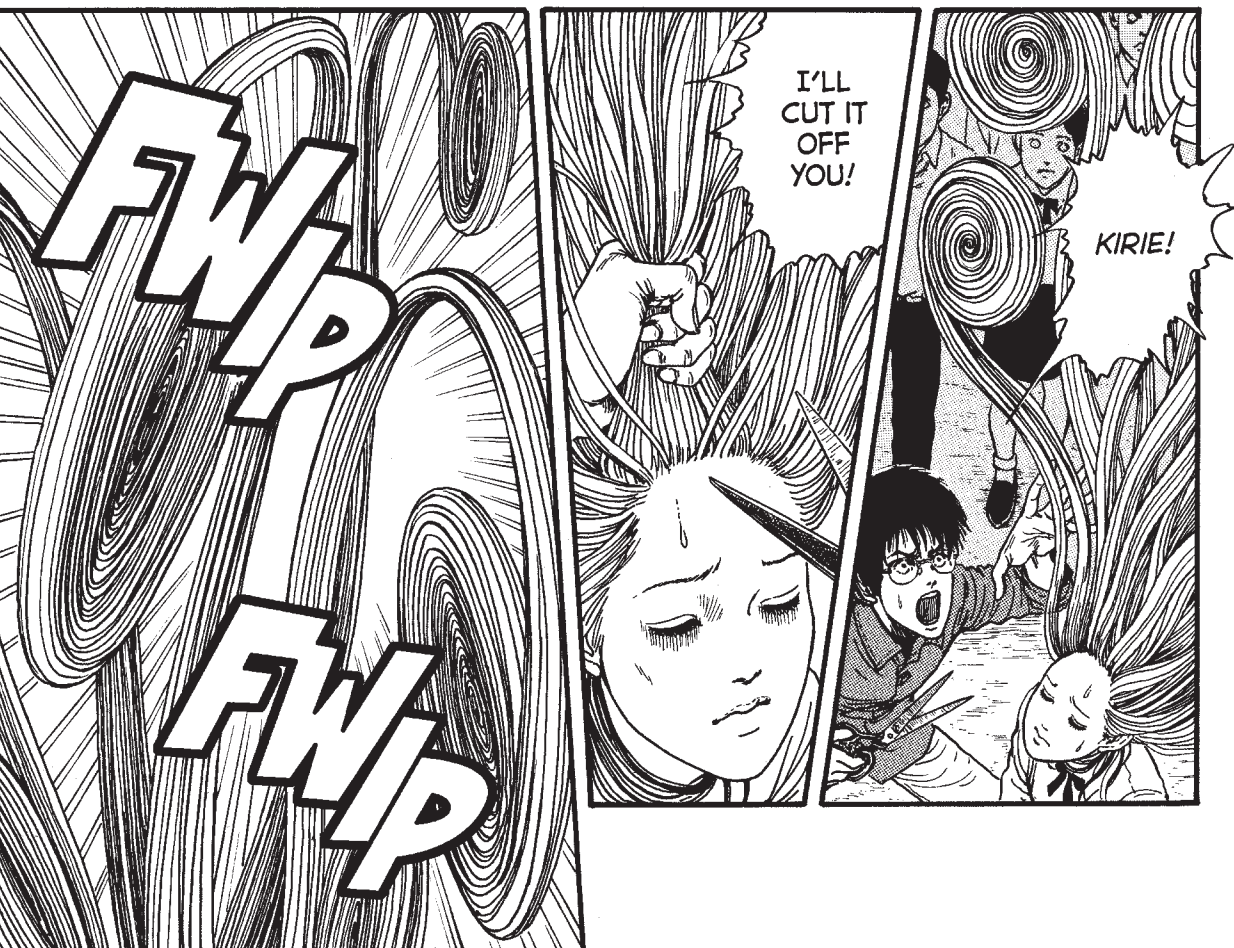
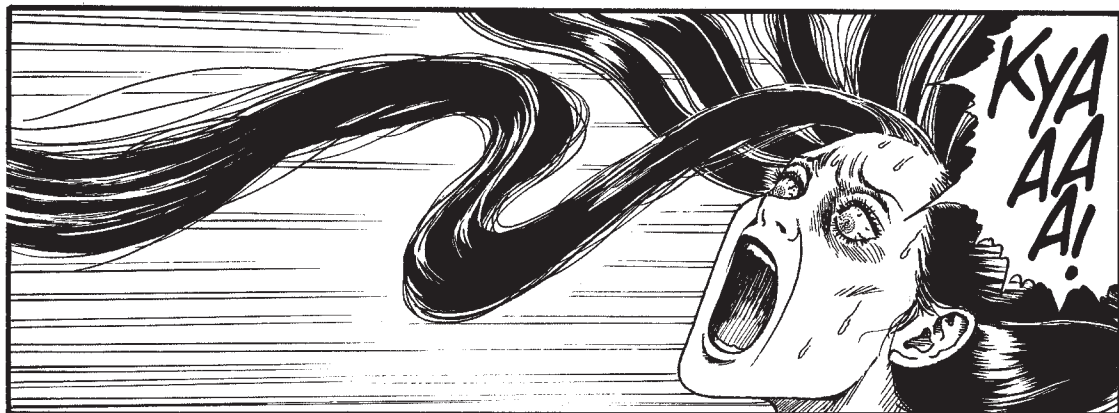
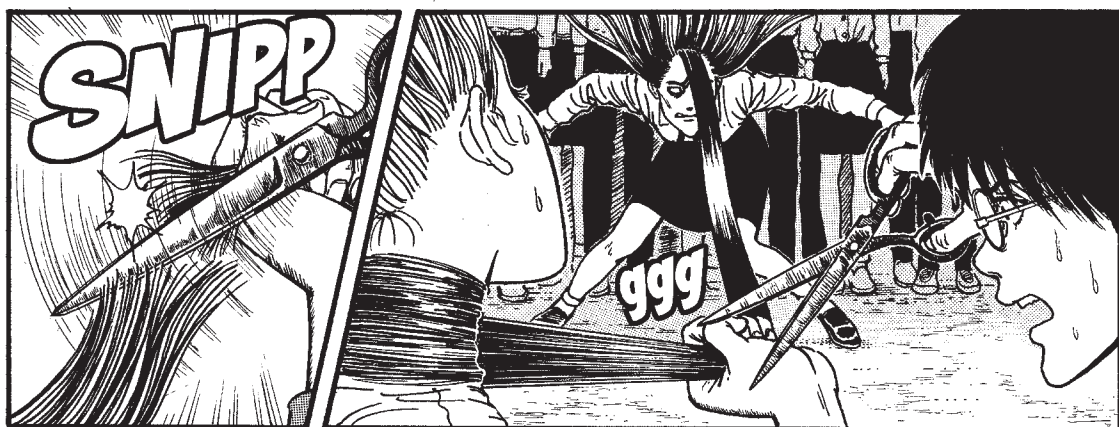
STUDENTS AND
TEACHERS LEFT
THEIR CLASSES
AND STARED
VACANTLY AT
THE SIGHT.

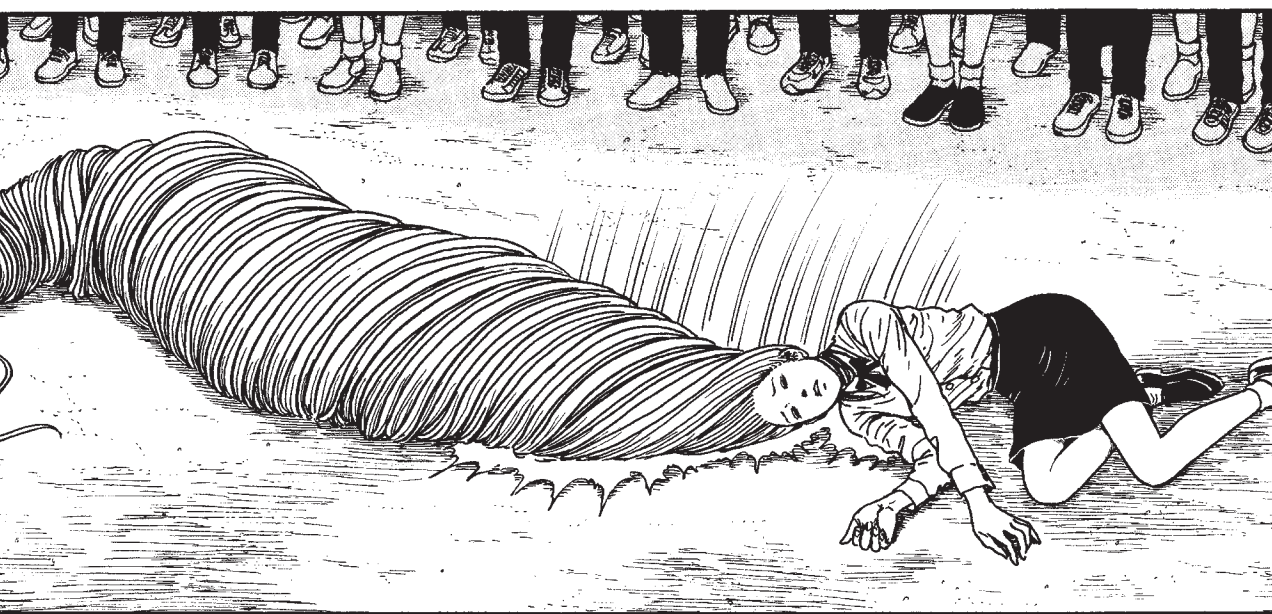
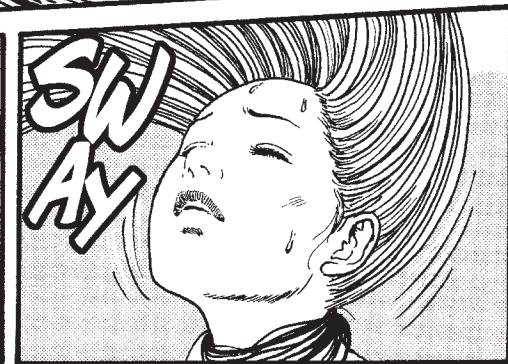
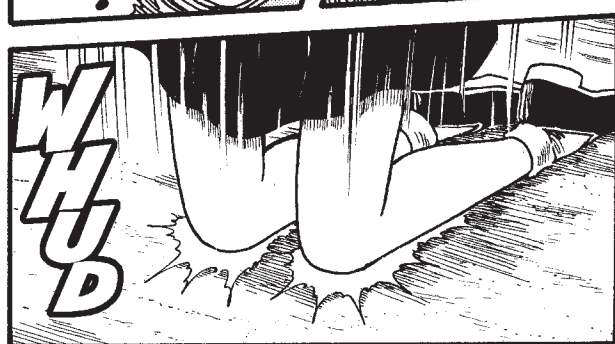
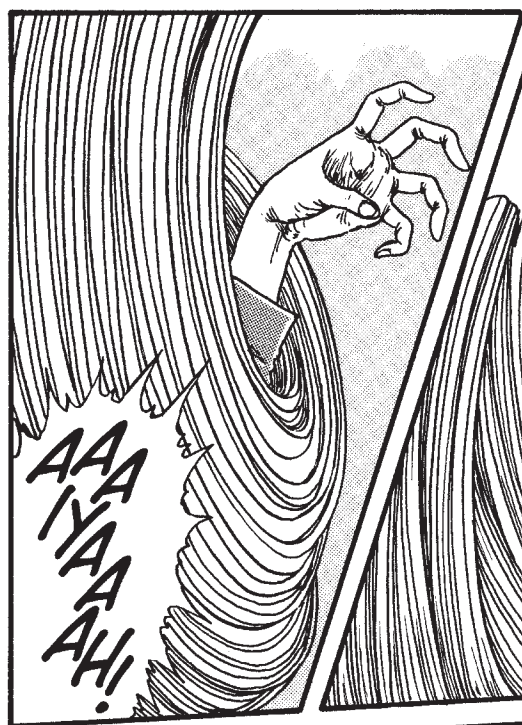


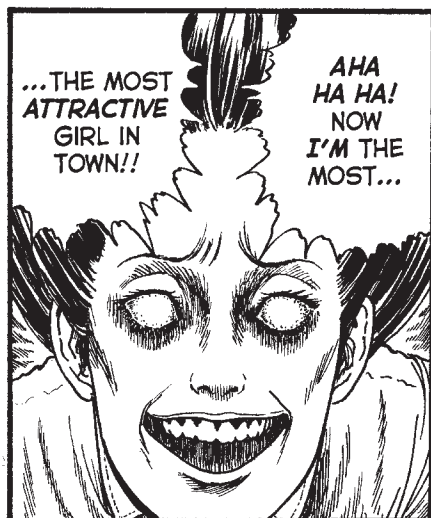






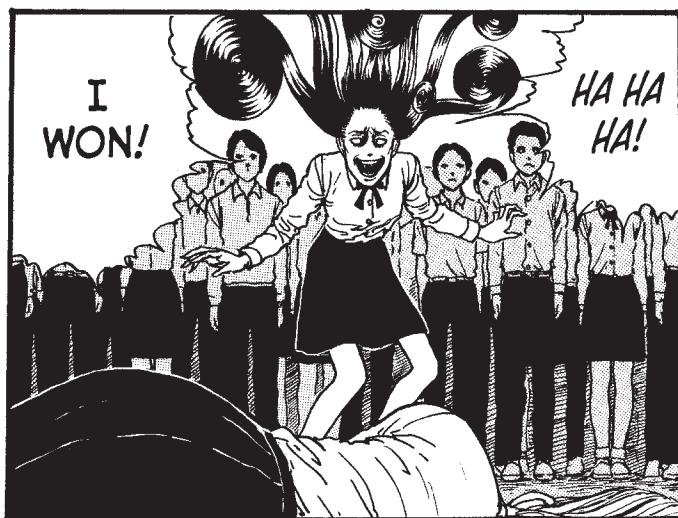






...THE MOST
ATTRACTIVE
GIRL IN
TOWN!!

AHA
HA HA!
NOW
I'M THE
MOST...



I
WON!

HA HA
HA!



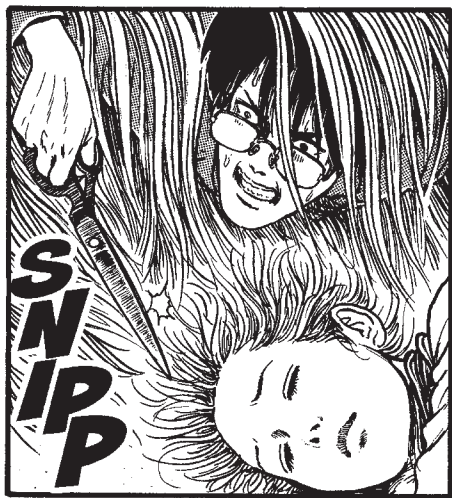
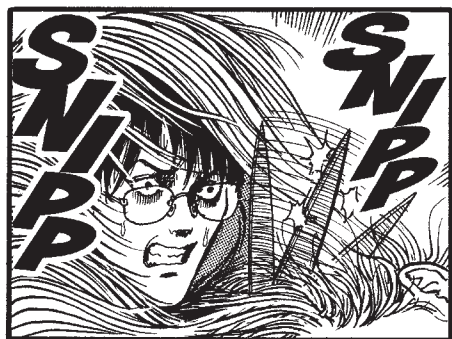
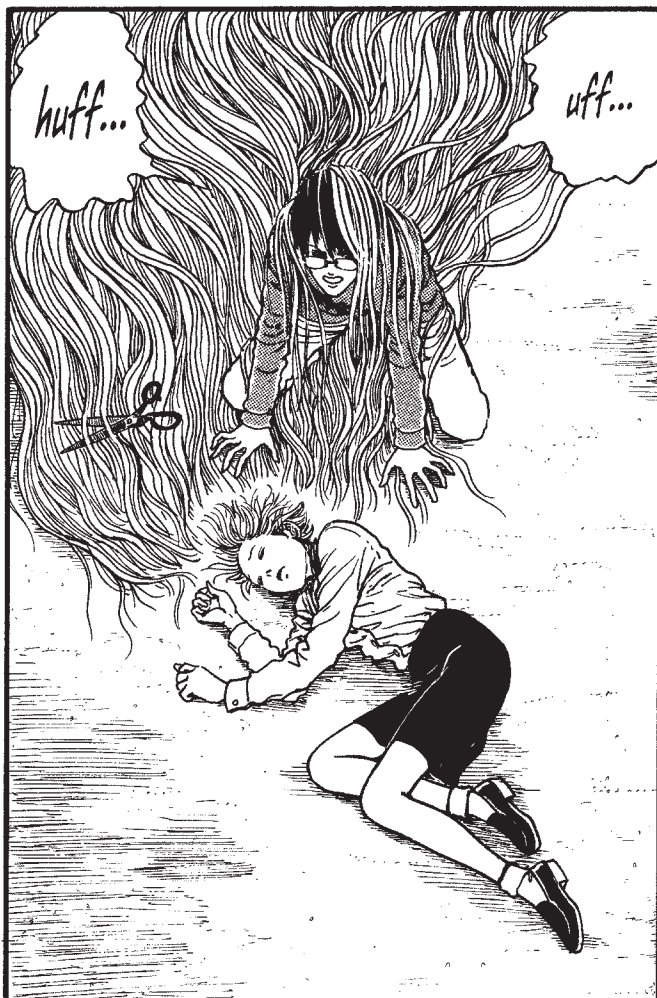
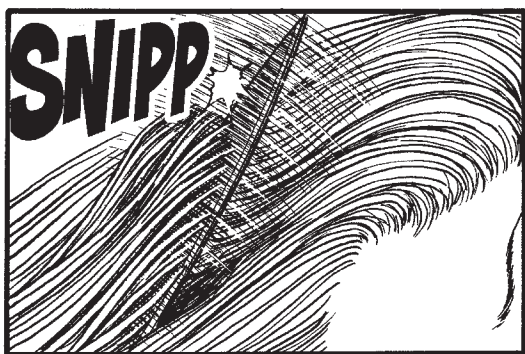
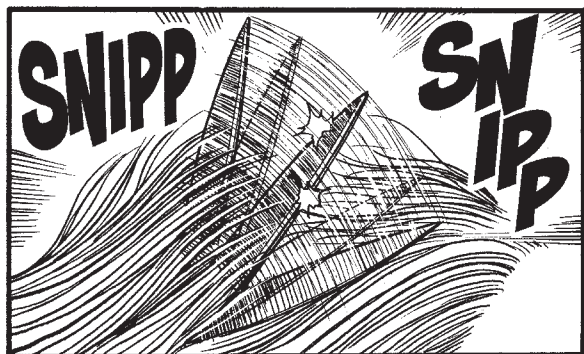
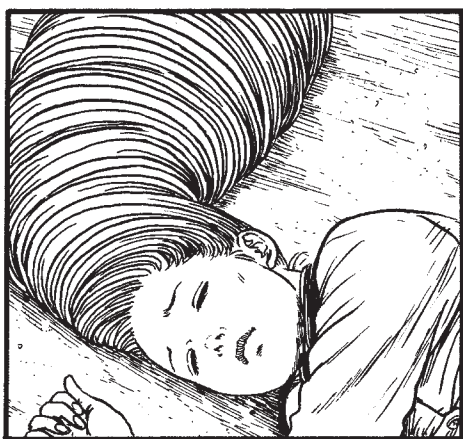
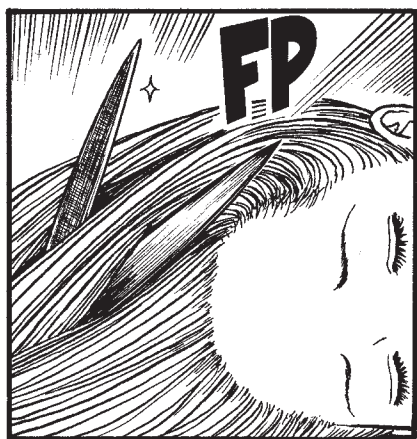
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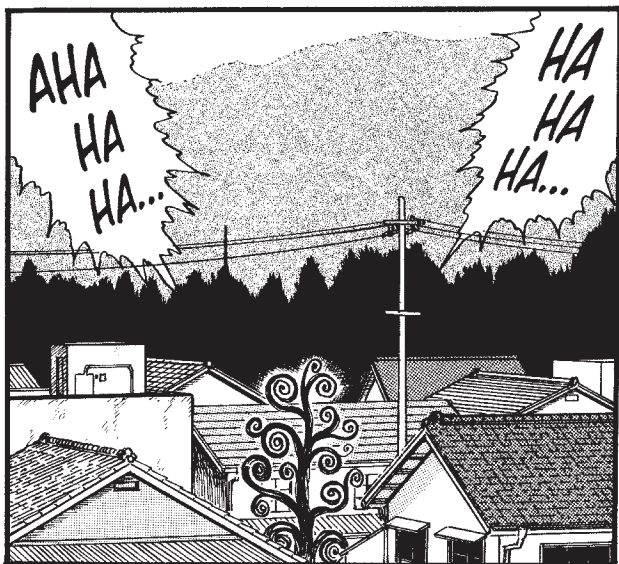
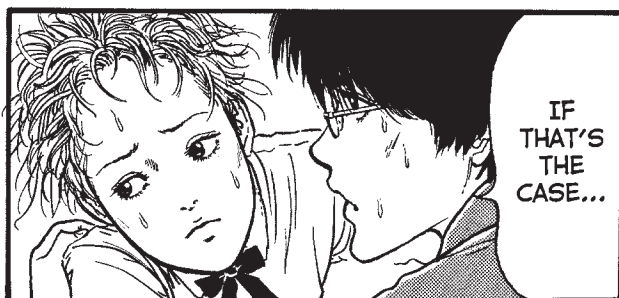
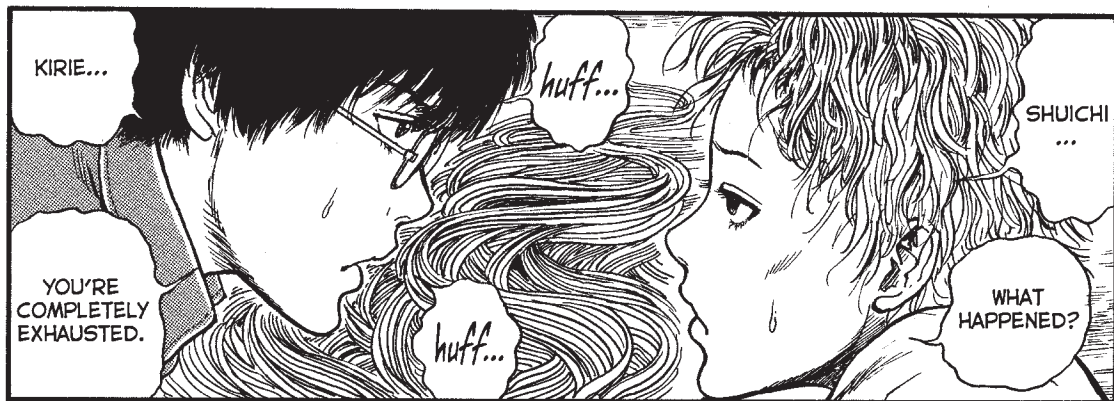
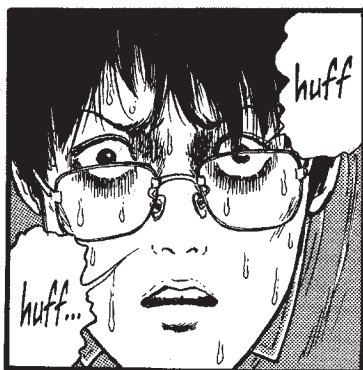
HA
HA
HA!

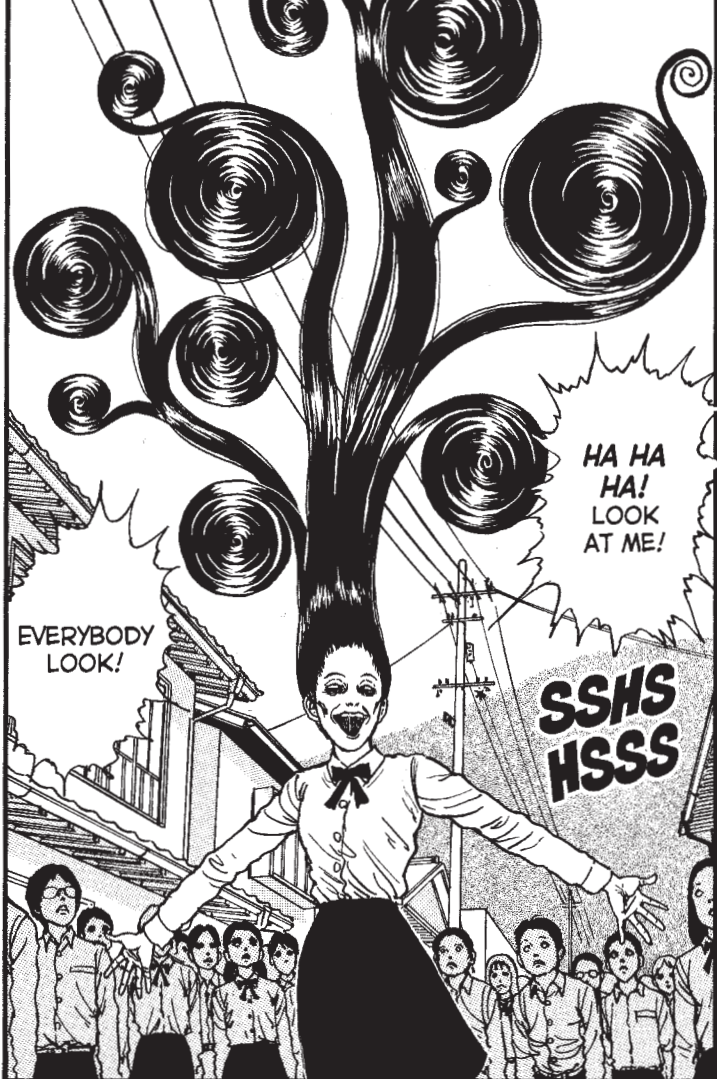


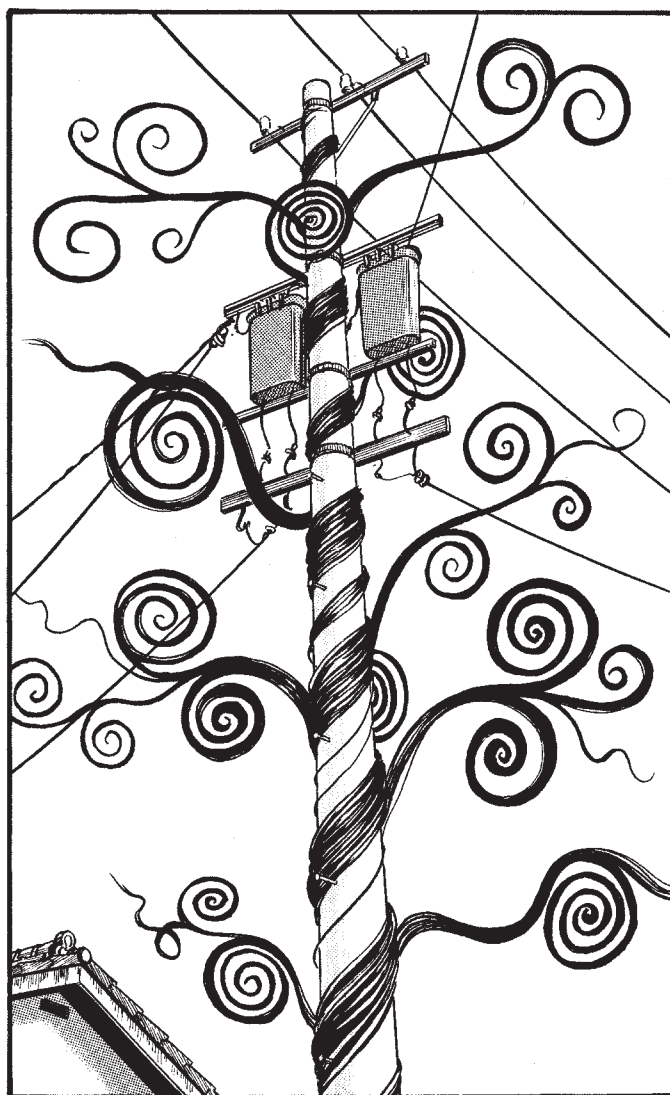
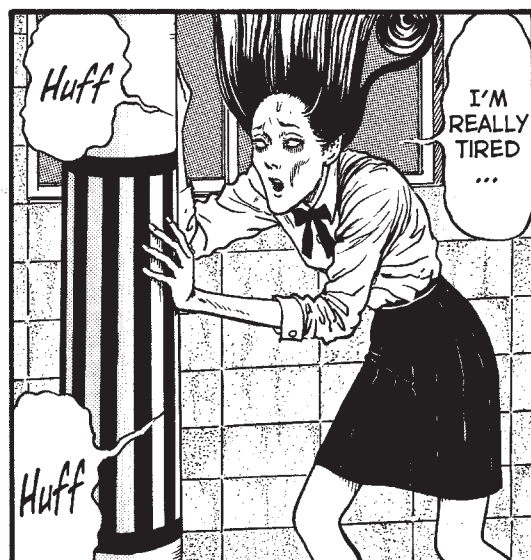
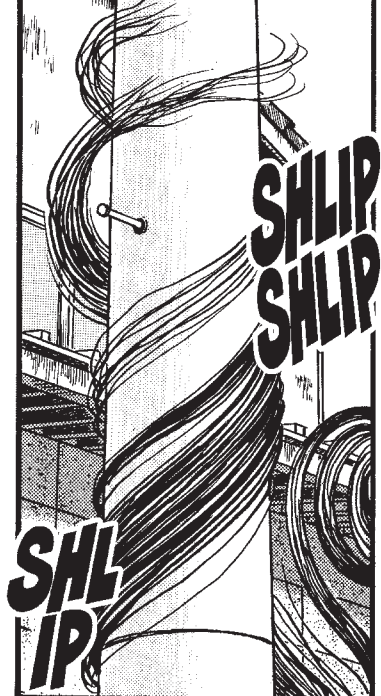
NOW
I'LL SHOW
ALL OF
KUROUZU-CHO!

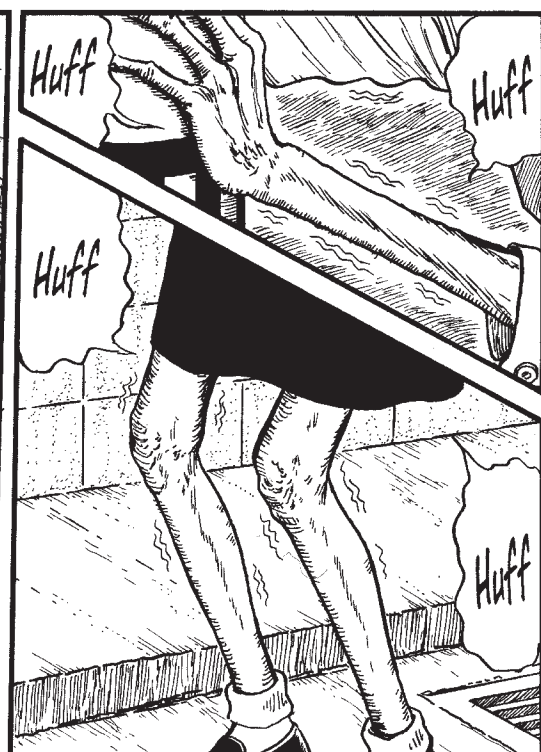
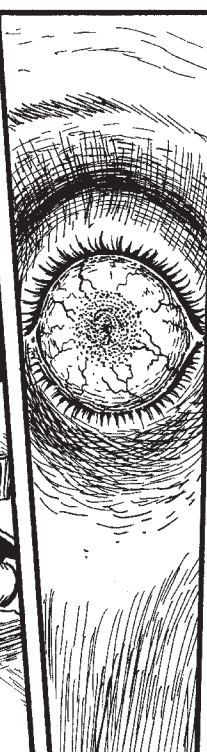
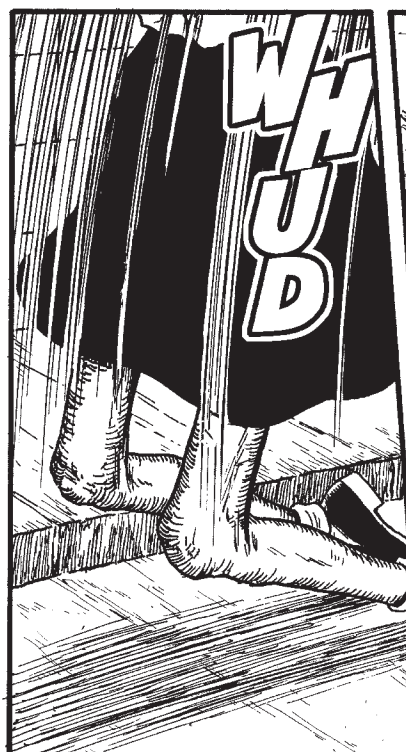
EVERYONE,
FOLLOW
ME!

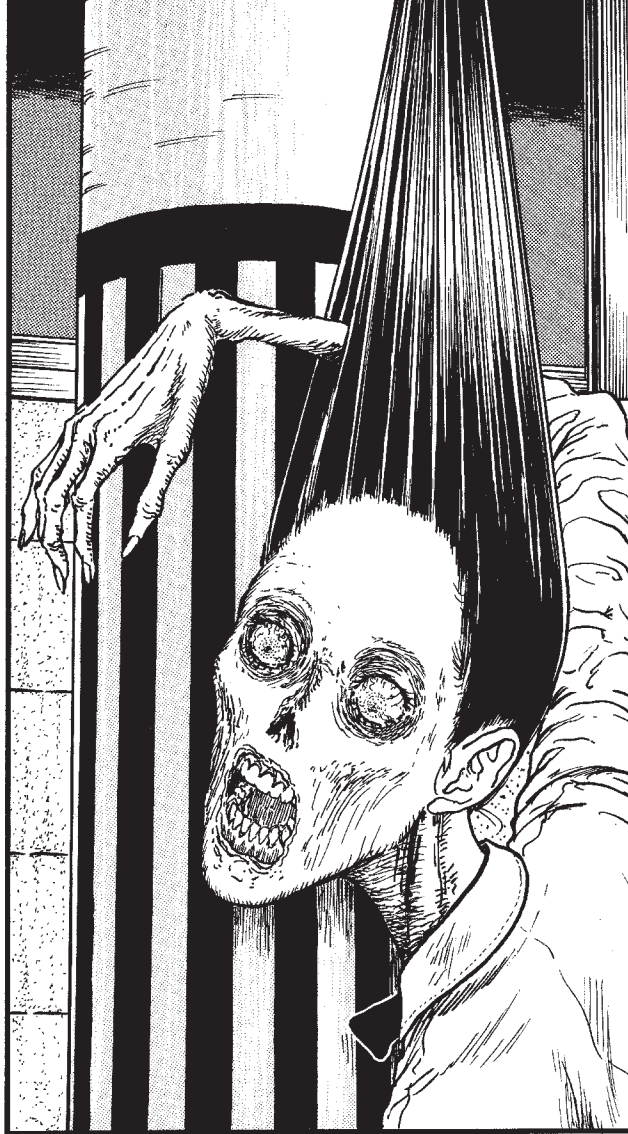
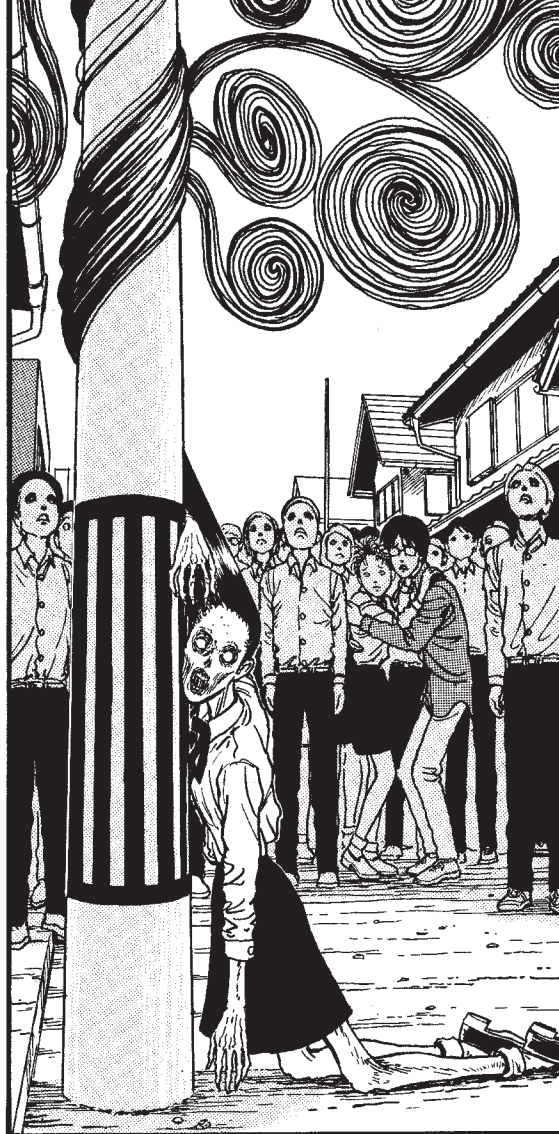












HER HAIR
REMAINED ON
THE TELEPHONE
POLE...
DISPLAYING
ITSELF...
FOR SEVERAL
HOURS.



TO BE CONTINUED...