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Manga-Style

Defense of Japan

Everyday activities of the Japan
Self-Defense Force

Yui Motoki

A girl with a strong sense of justice who is a classmate of Taichi.

She was affected by a disaster and rescued by the SDF when she was little. She wants to join the SDF in the future.



Taichi Hino

A boy in the sixth grade of elementary school who loves video games.

He became interested in the Self-Defense Force (SDF) after seeing destroyers in a video game.



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Taichi's father

Since joining the event of the SDF, he is fascinated by how cool the SDF is.

Taichi's mother

She warmly watches over Taichi and others.

The members of the SDF





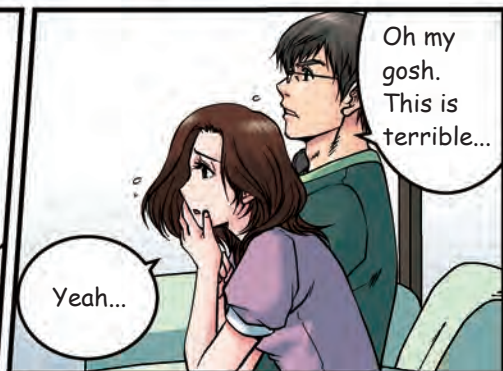
This has caused an isolated town to be cut off from all access.

Landslides have blocked national highways, making them impassible...



Ding ding

Alright!
I got
a new
destroyer!



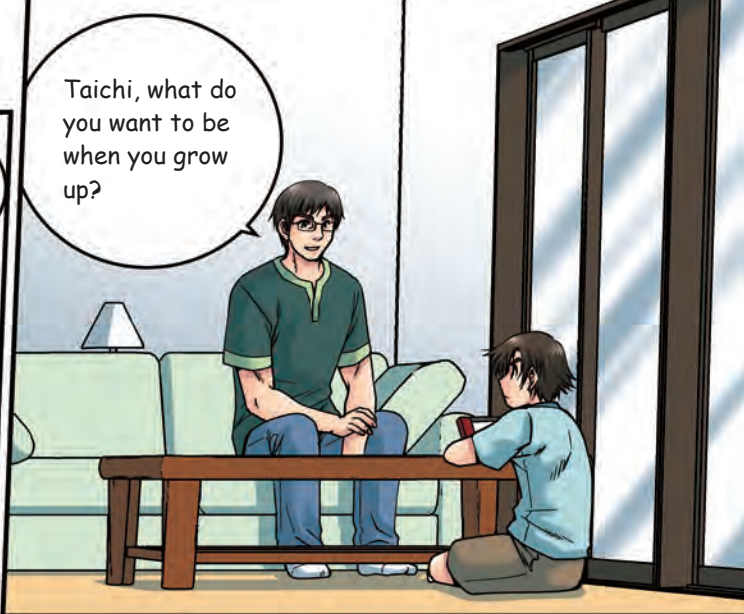
Oh my gosh. This is terrible...

Yeah...





Well...



Taichi, what do you want to be when you grow up?



The destroyers in my video game are so cool!

If I want to be a crew member on a destroyer, I have to join the SDF, right?

I'm really interested in that.

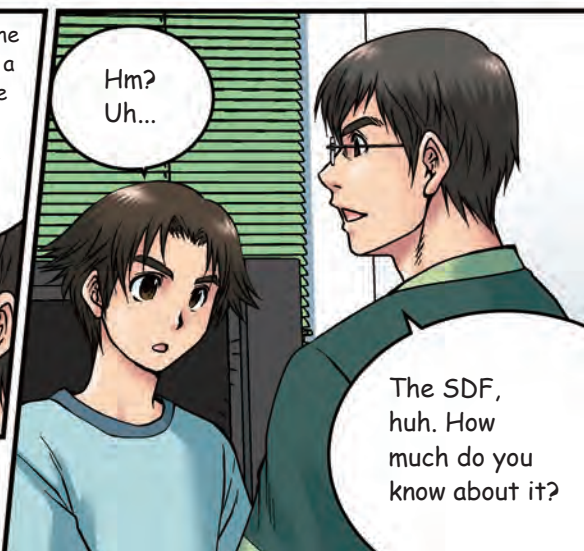


Really? I didn't know that. That's amazing!

You didn't know that?



You know, the SDF helped a lot of people during the heavy rain a while ago.



Hm? Uh...

The SDF, huh. How much do you know about it?

Mel?
W..well...
Hang on
a sec!

Huh!?

Hm? Then, do
you know a lot
about the SDF,
Dad?

Maritime Self-Defense Force PR Magazine

Do you want
to go to this
event?

The Maritime
Self-Defense
Force(MSDF) is
holding an event
this weekend.

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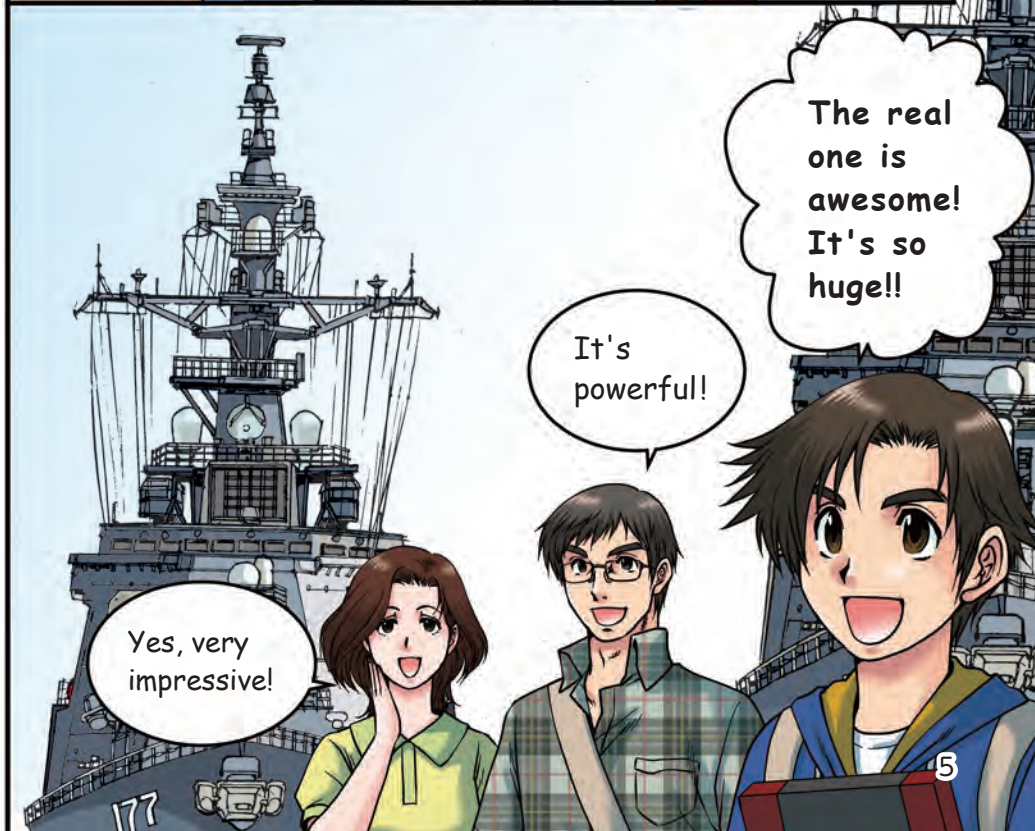
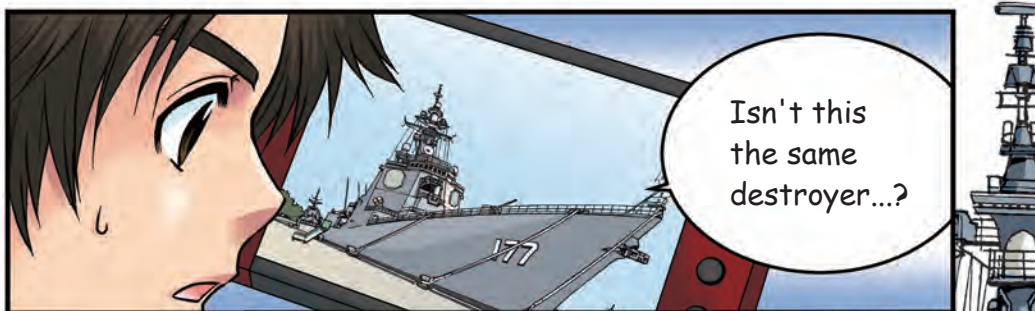
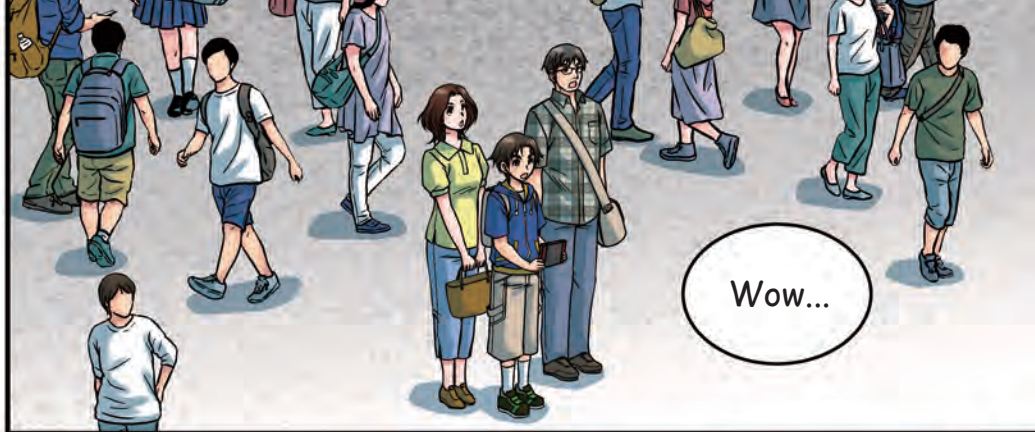
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This looks
good!

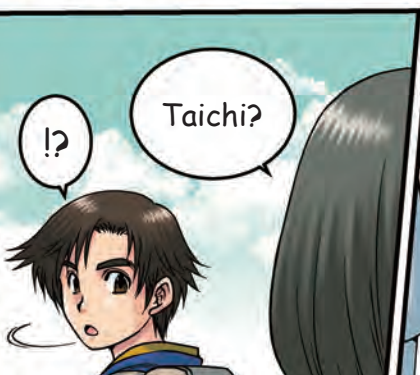
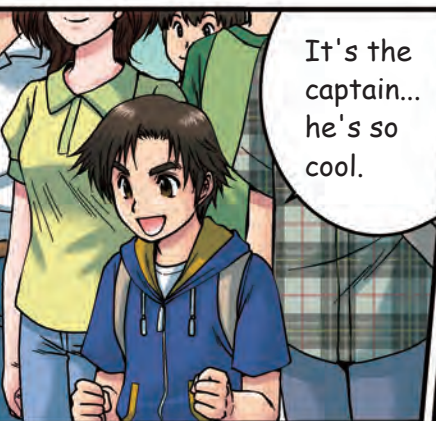
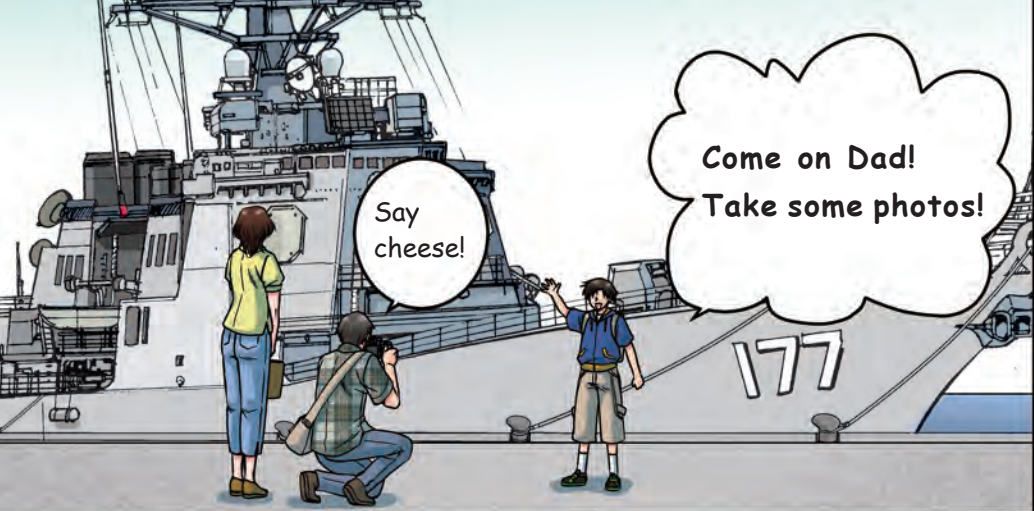
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Let's go!
I can't
wait!

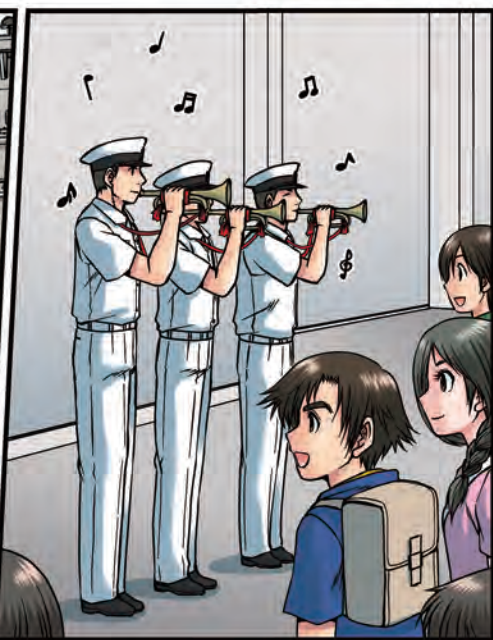
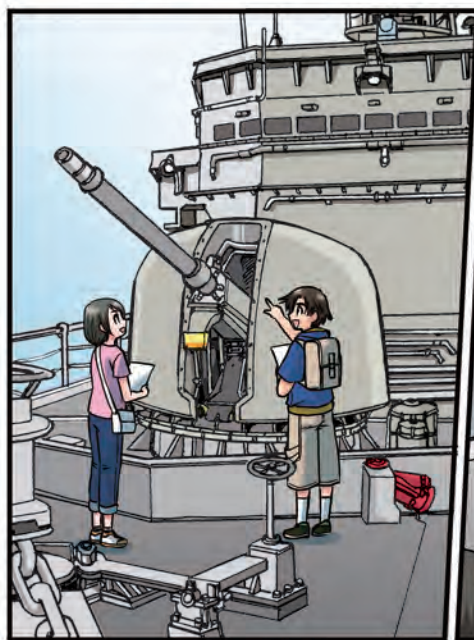
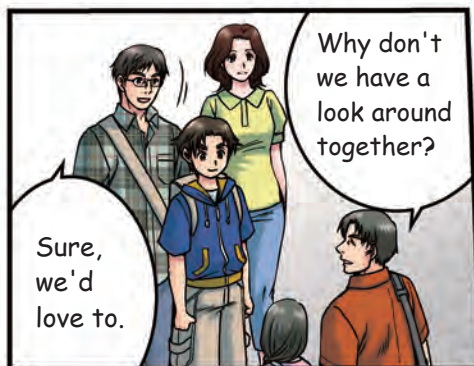
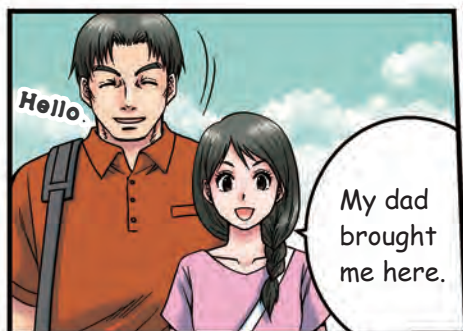
Can I see
destroyers
there?

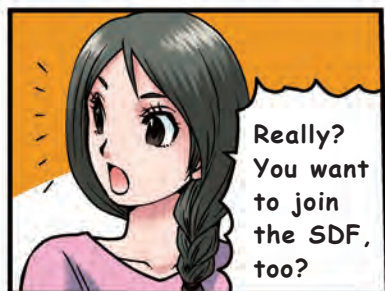
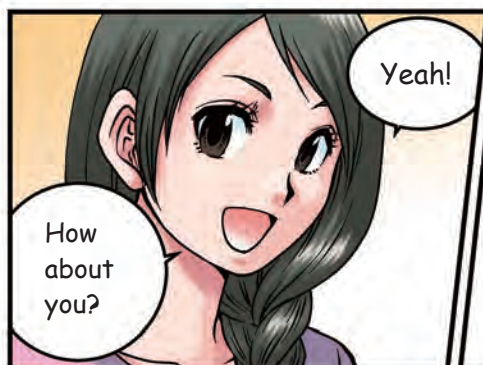
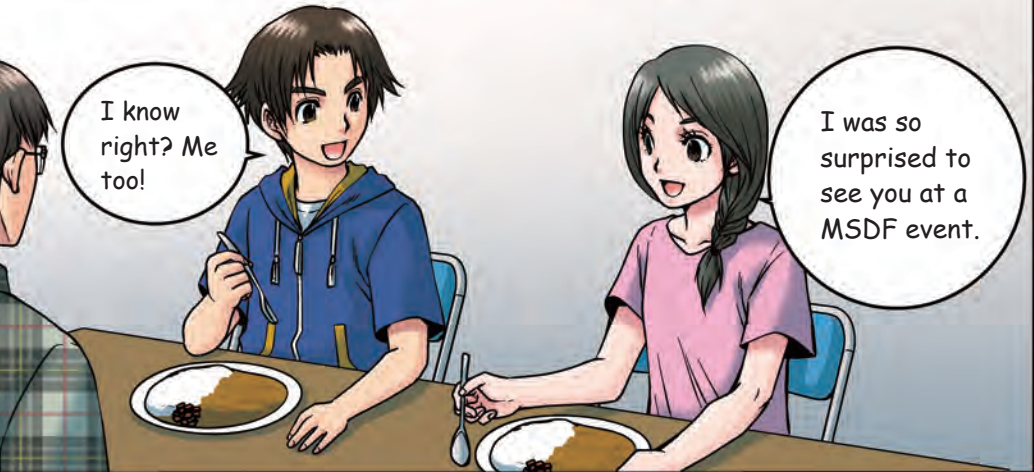
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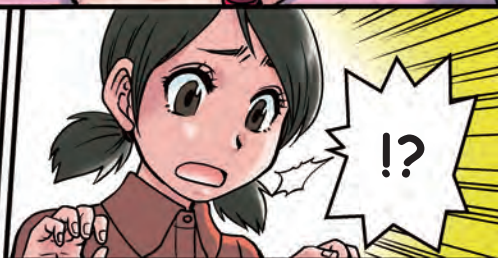
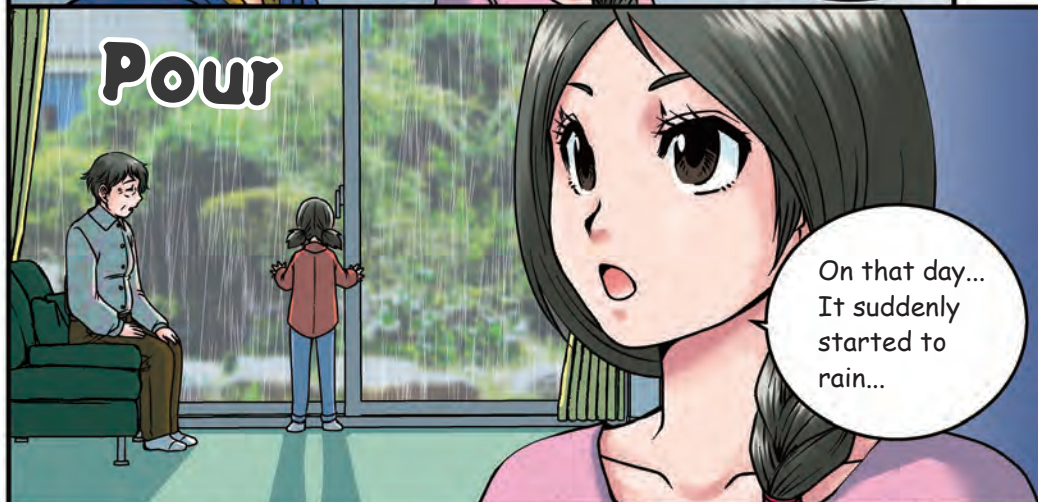
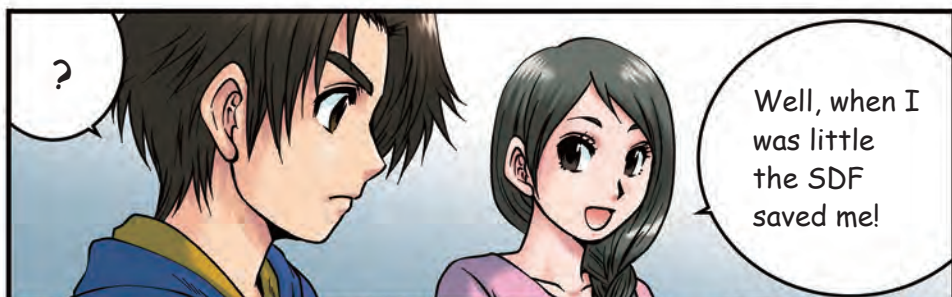
The SDF is
having an
event?

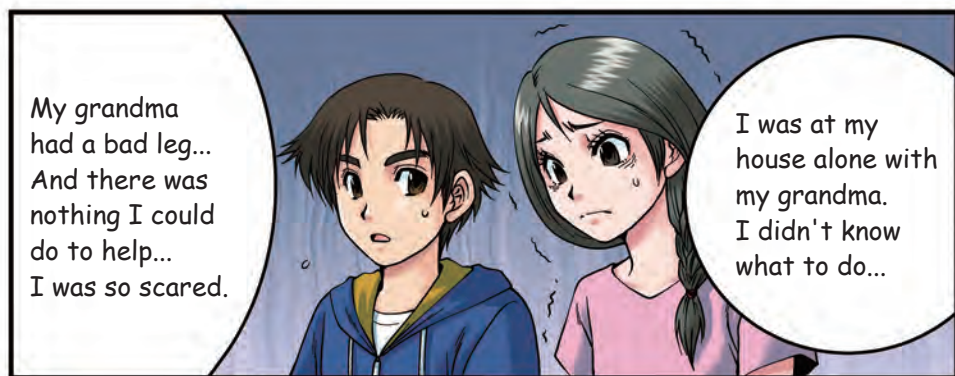


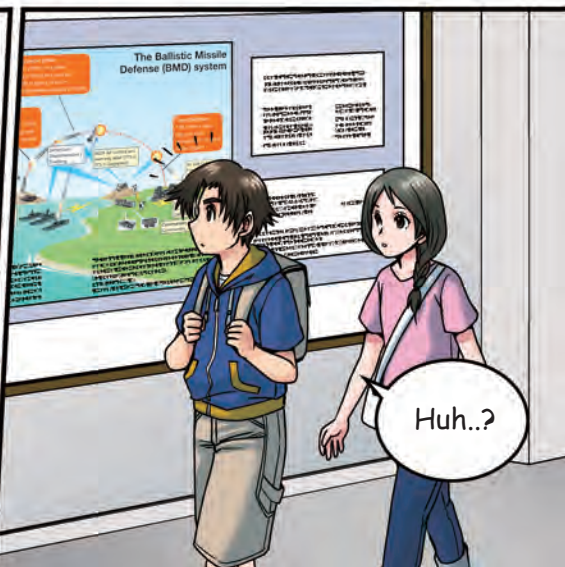
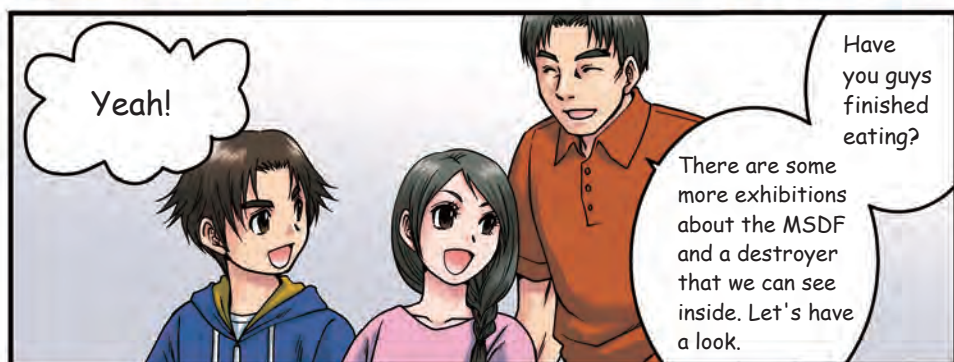
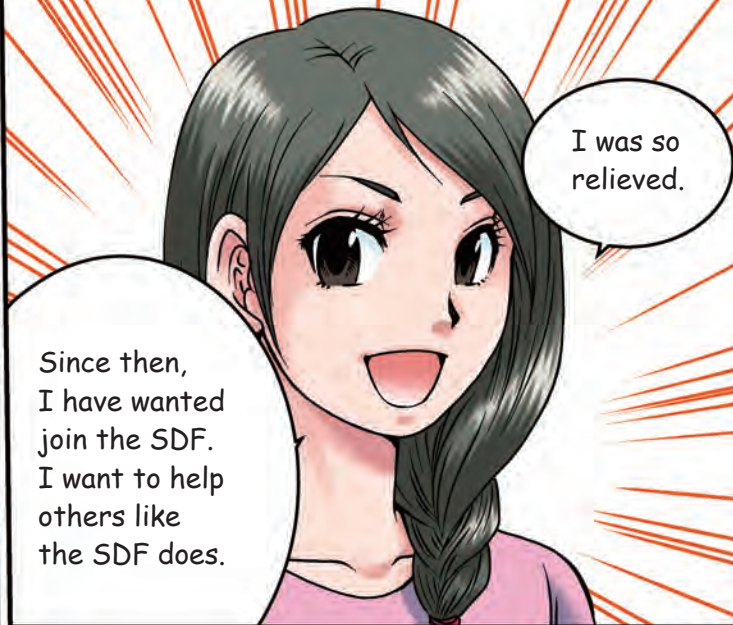


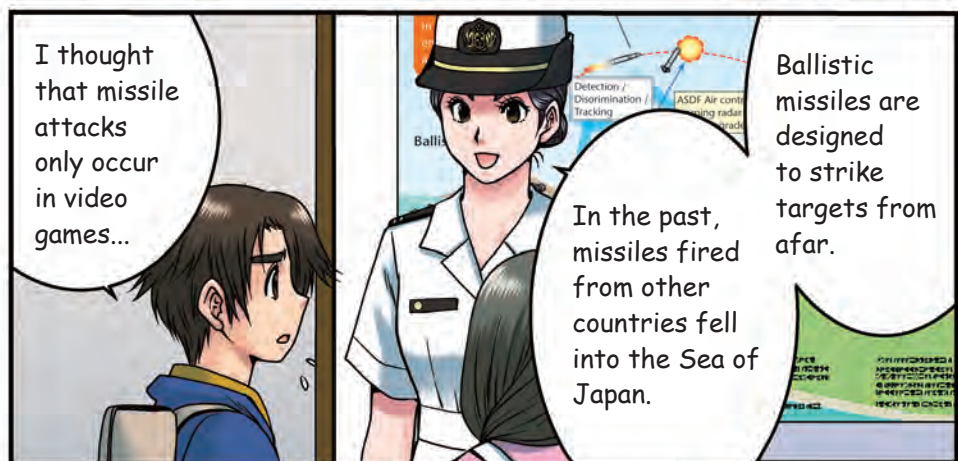
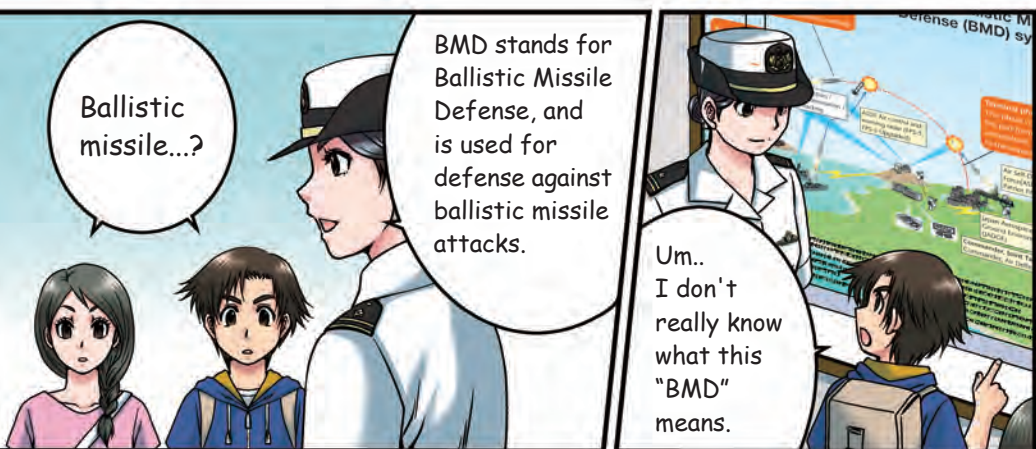


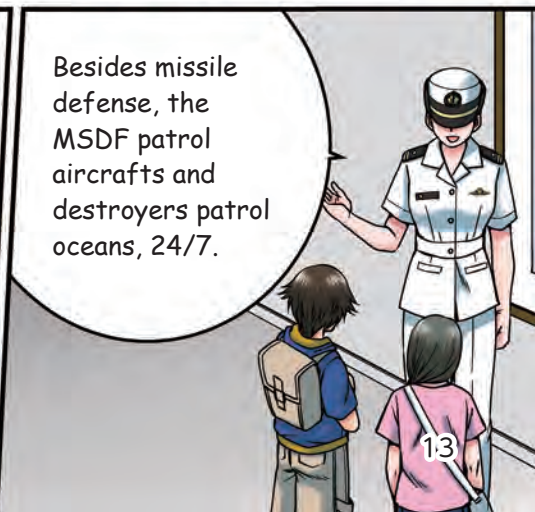
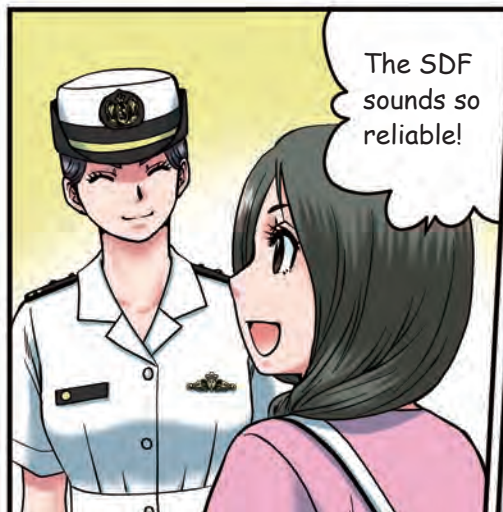
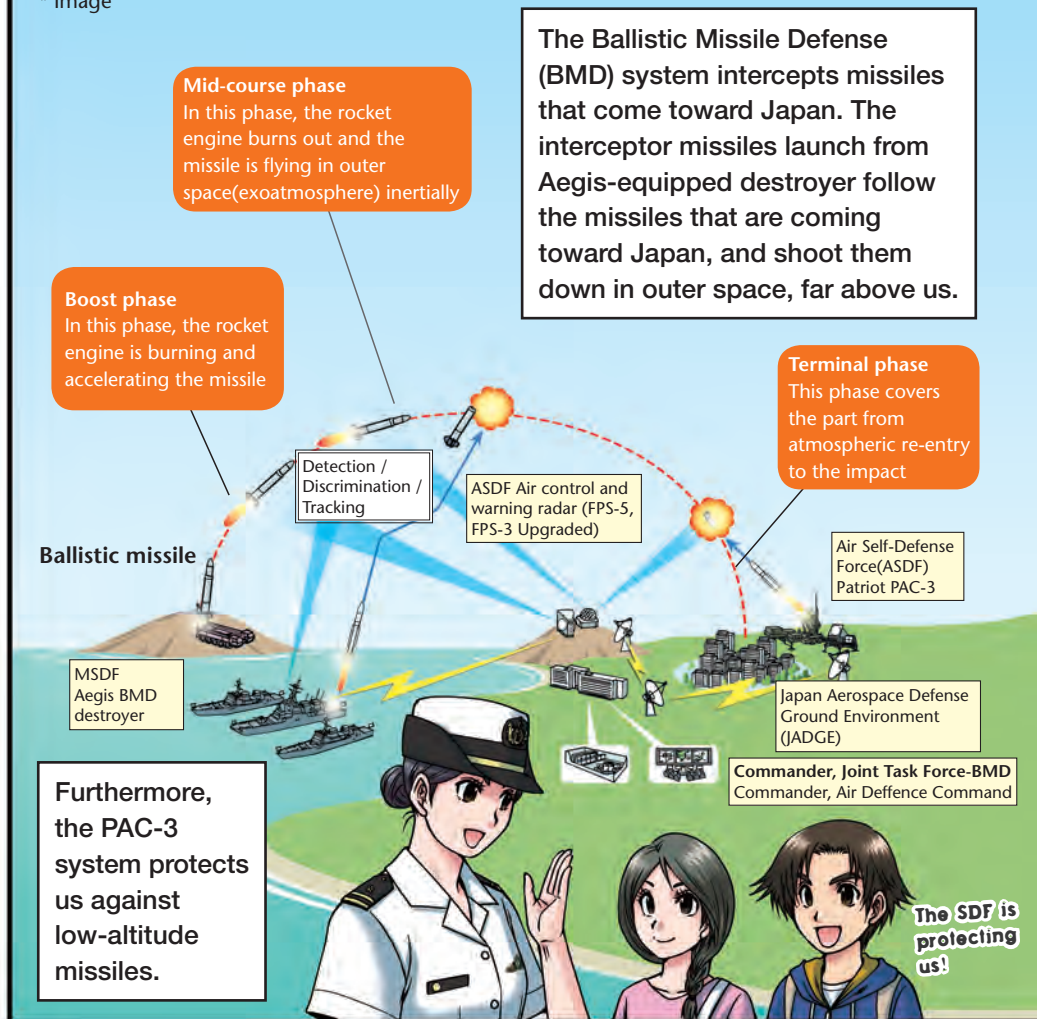


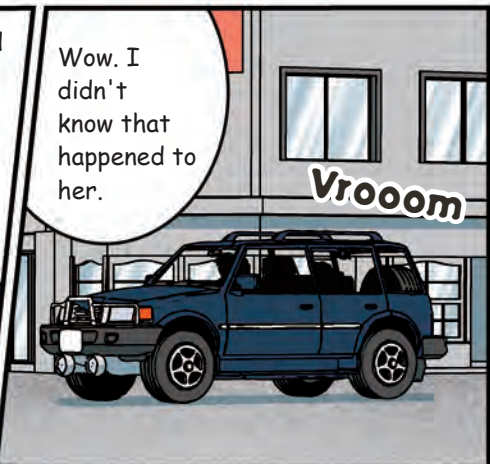


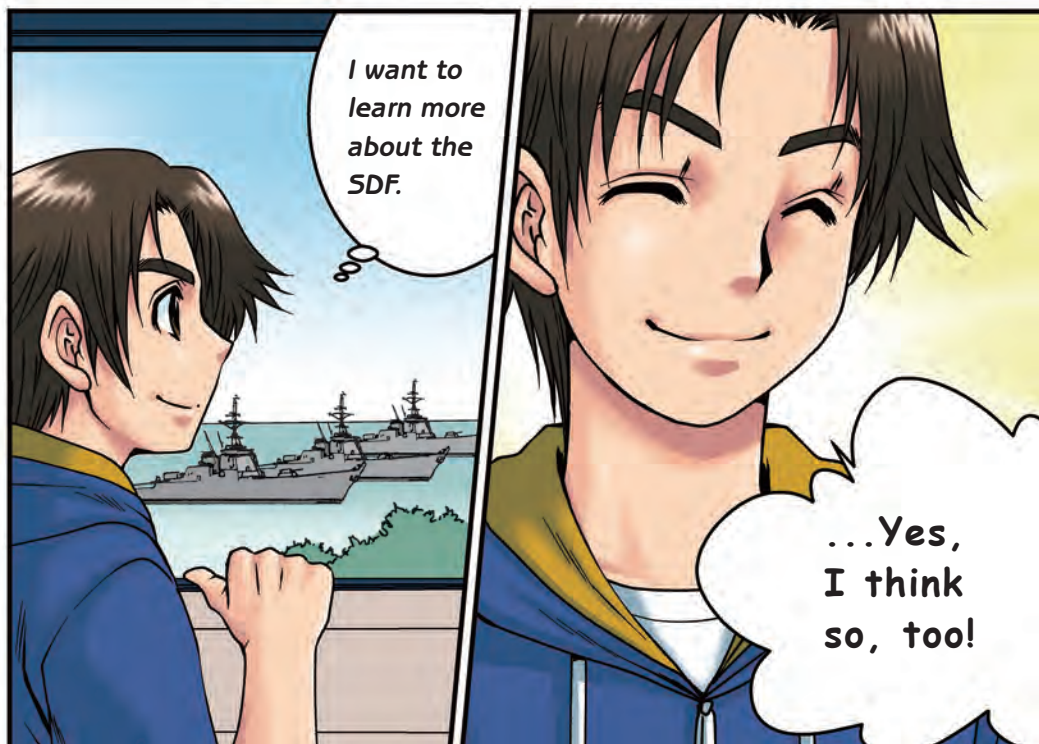


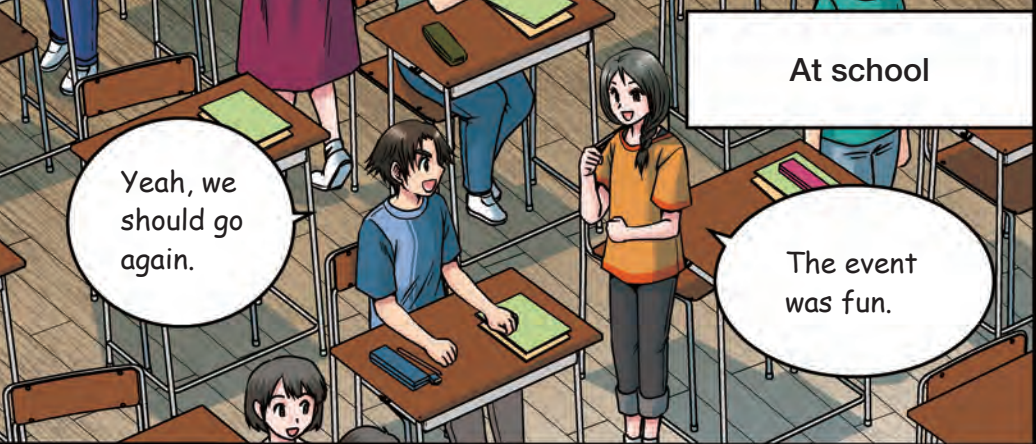












At school

Yeah, we should go again.

The event was fun.



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Actually, Taichi...!

Ruffle
Ruffle



Twinkle



Definitely!

I knew you'd want to



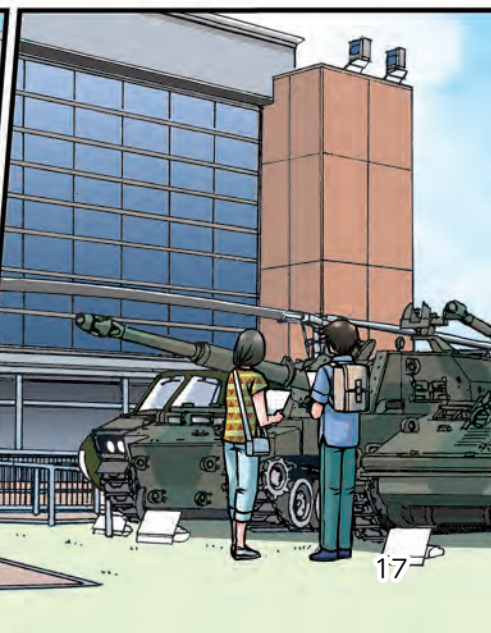
Sure!

Can we go by ourselves, since it's close to our houses?



The Ground Self-Defense Force(GSDF) has a public information center called "Rikkun Land"...

Shall we go together?



Ground Self-Defense Force Activities

There's all sorts of displays here regarding the GSDF!



[Japan-U.S. Joint Training]
Boarding an Osprey



[Responding to Attacks to Minor Islands]
Landing by boat



Playing Musical Instruments



[Protection and Transportation of Japanese Residents Abroad etc.]
Training exercises to protect Japanese residents abroad etc.

They do so many various activities...



Excuse me.

What is "FAST Force"? It's written right here.



?

Hu
FAST Force?
What's this?



Common	When an earthquake of seismic intensity of 5 or greater occurs, intelligence will be collected immediately
FAST-Force (GSDF)	First response units including approx. 3900 personnel, approx. 1,100 vehicles, approx. 40 aircraft are on standby 24/7 throughout the country, and can be dispatched within a standard target period of one hour. Each Army has helicopter (for video transmission), chemical protection, and bomb disposal units on standby.
FAST-Force (MSDF)	A single first response vessel is designated in each regional command. Approx. 20 aircraft are on standby at each base, and they can be dispatched within a standard target period of 15 minutes to 2 hours.
FAST-Force (ASDF)	Aircraft are on standby for the purpose of responding to airspace violations. Approx. 10 to 20 aircraft are on standby for rescue and emergency transportation at each base, and they can be dispatched within a standard target period of 15 minutes to 2 hours. * When an earthquake of seismic intensity of 5 or greater occurs, intelligence will be collected using the aircraft that are on standby..

"FAST Force" stands for First Action Support Force, a task force that rushes to places in Japan that has been struck by disasters in order to protect everybody.

FAST Force

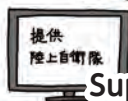


Action

Providing prompt information and rescuing of lives, as well as

First

: Initial response in a time of disaster



Support

: Providing support to local governments



Force

: The team that delivers the above

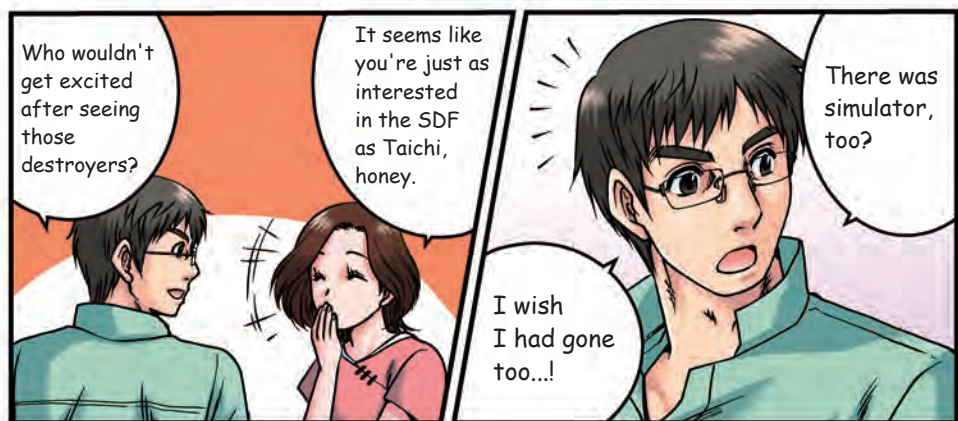
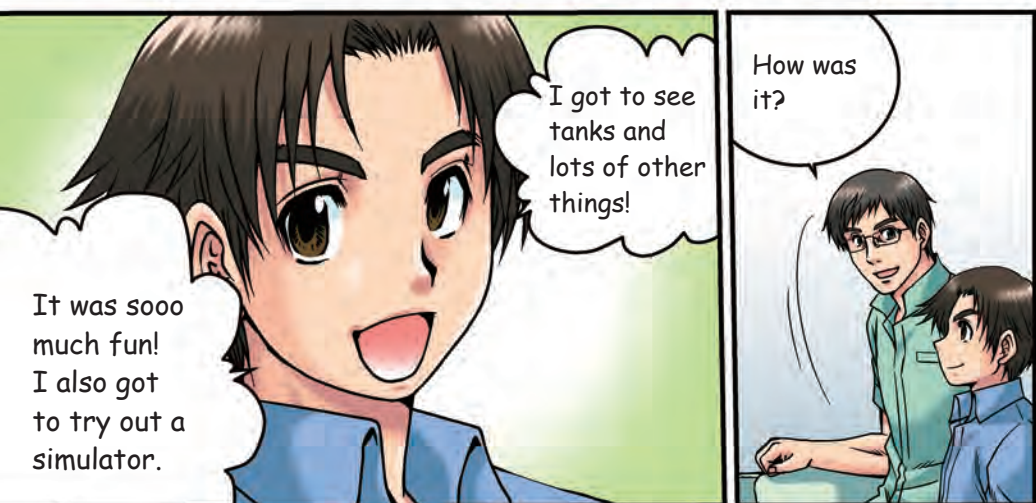
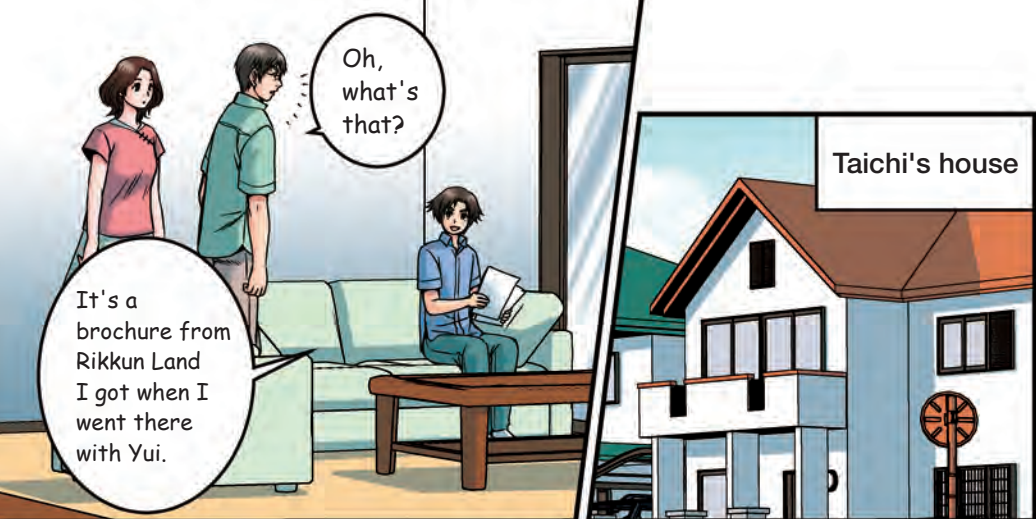
The Ground, Maritime and Air Defense-Forces each have FAST Force at their military posts and bases all around Japan, and they are always on standby in case of emergency.

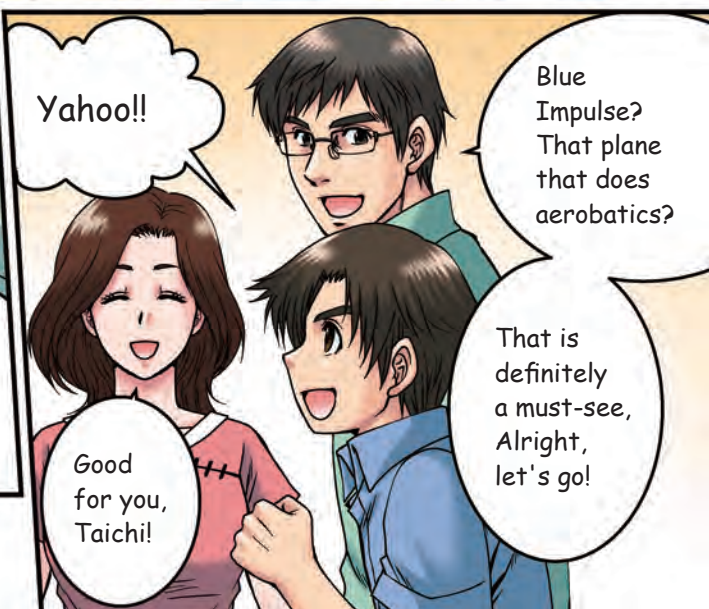
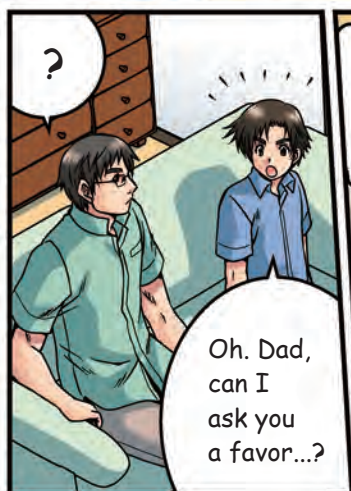
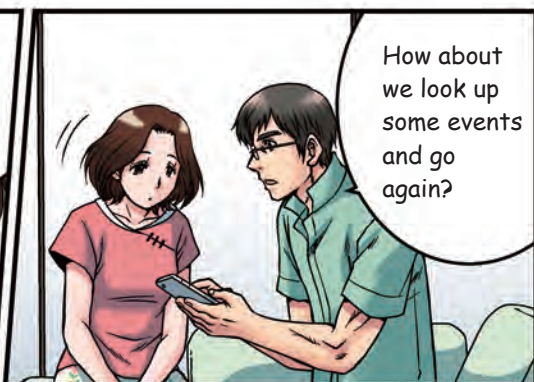
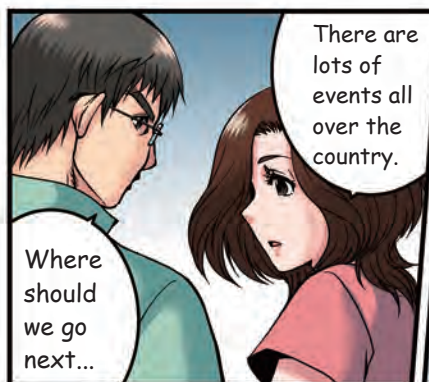


Yeah. Could be...

So, the people who helped me back then might have been members of the GSDF's FAST Force.







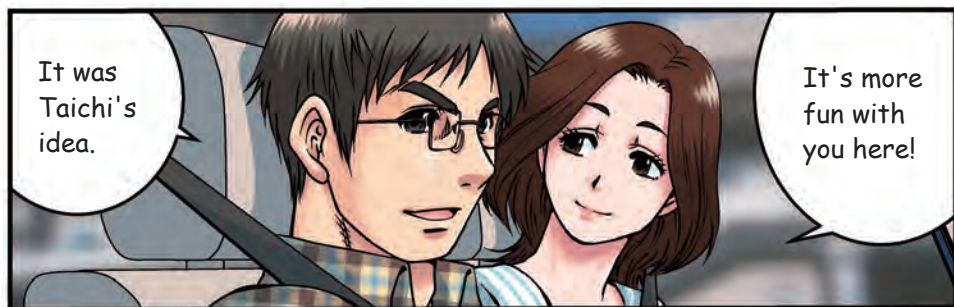


Thank you
for taking
me with you
today.

The day of
the ASDF event



Vrommm



It was
Taichi's
idea.

It's more
fun with
you here!



That's
the Blue
Impulse's
aerobatics!

Venue

It's
about to
start.

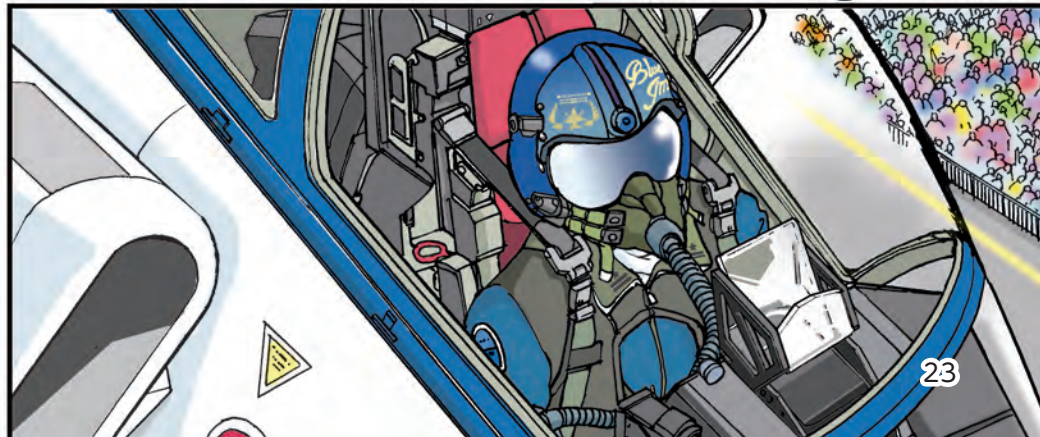


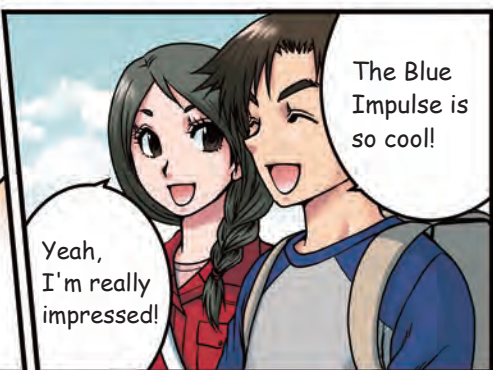
Thank you,
Taichi.

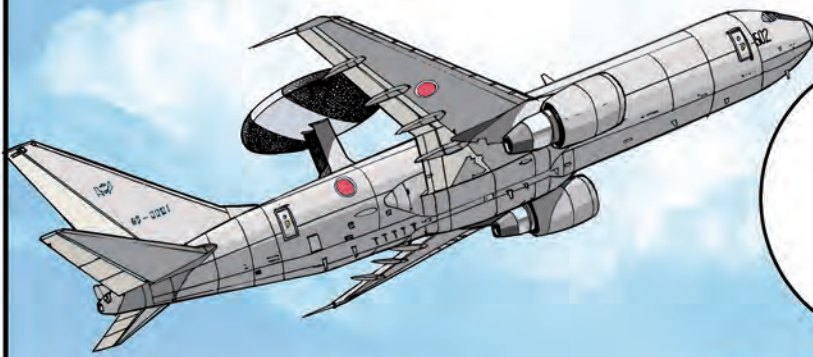


Oh, no,
don't
mention
it!

Ahaha.







I had no idea
there is
this many
aircraft!

Yeah, there's
so many! That
one has an
interesting
design, doesn't
it?



Excuse me,
I'd like to know
more about
radar sites.

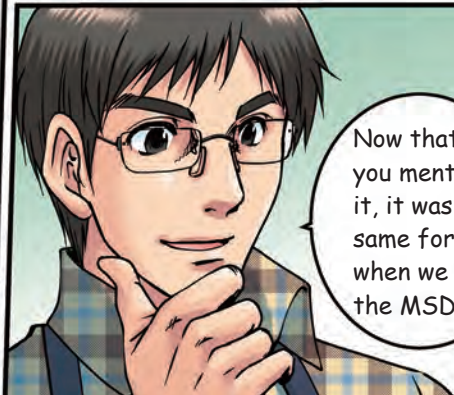


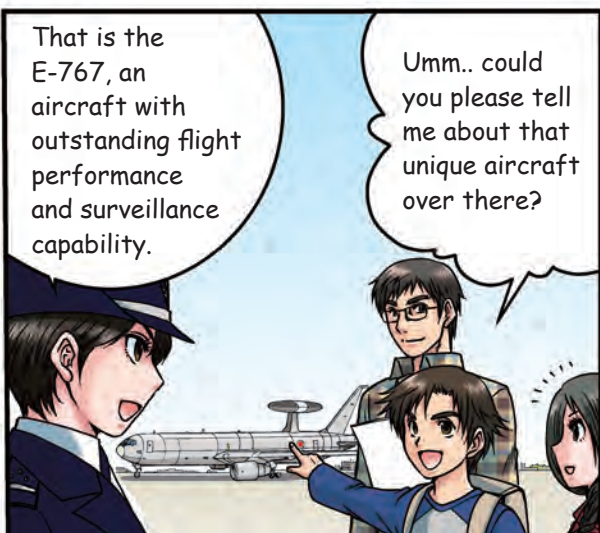
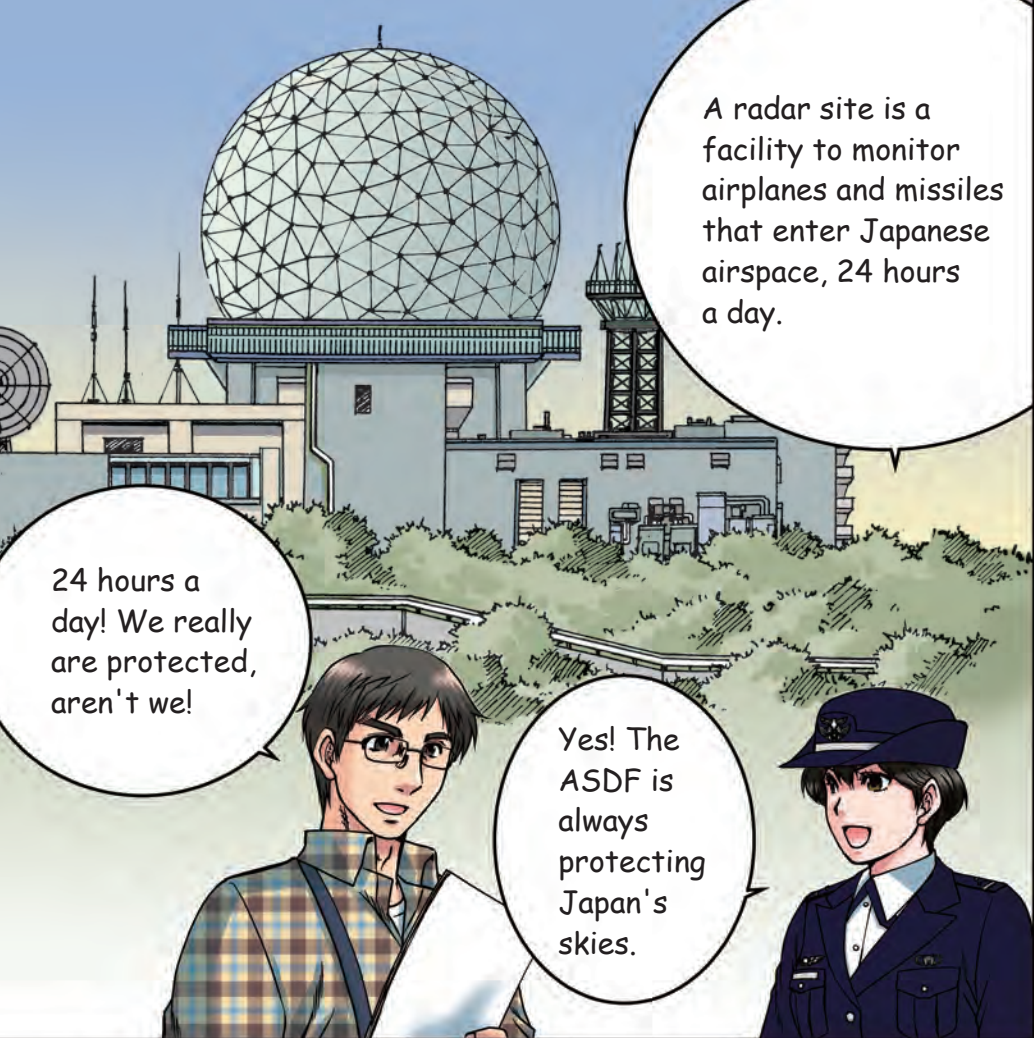
Hey Dad,
did you
know?

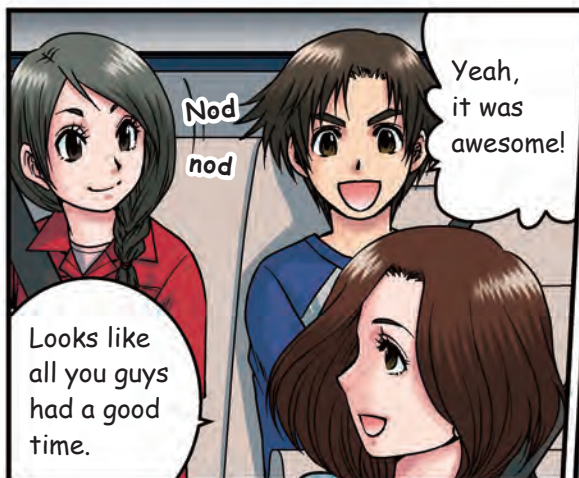
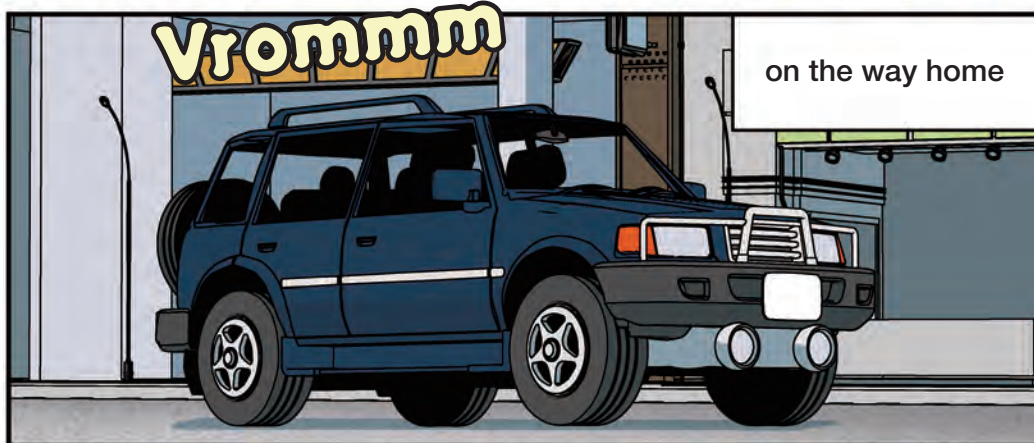
If you have
questions, you
can ask the
SDF personnel.



Now that
you mention
it, it was the
same for
when we saw
the MSDF

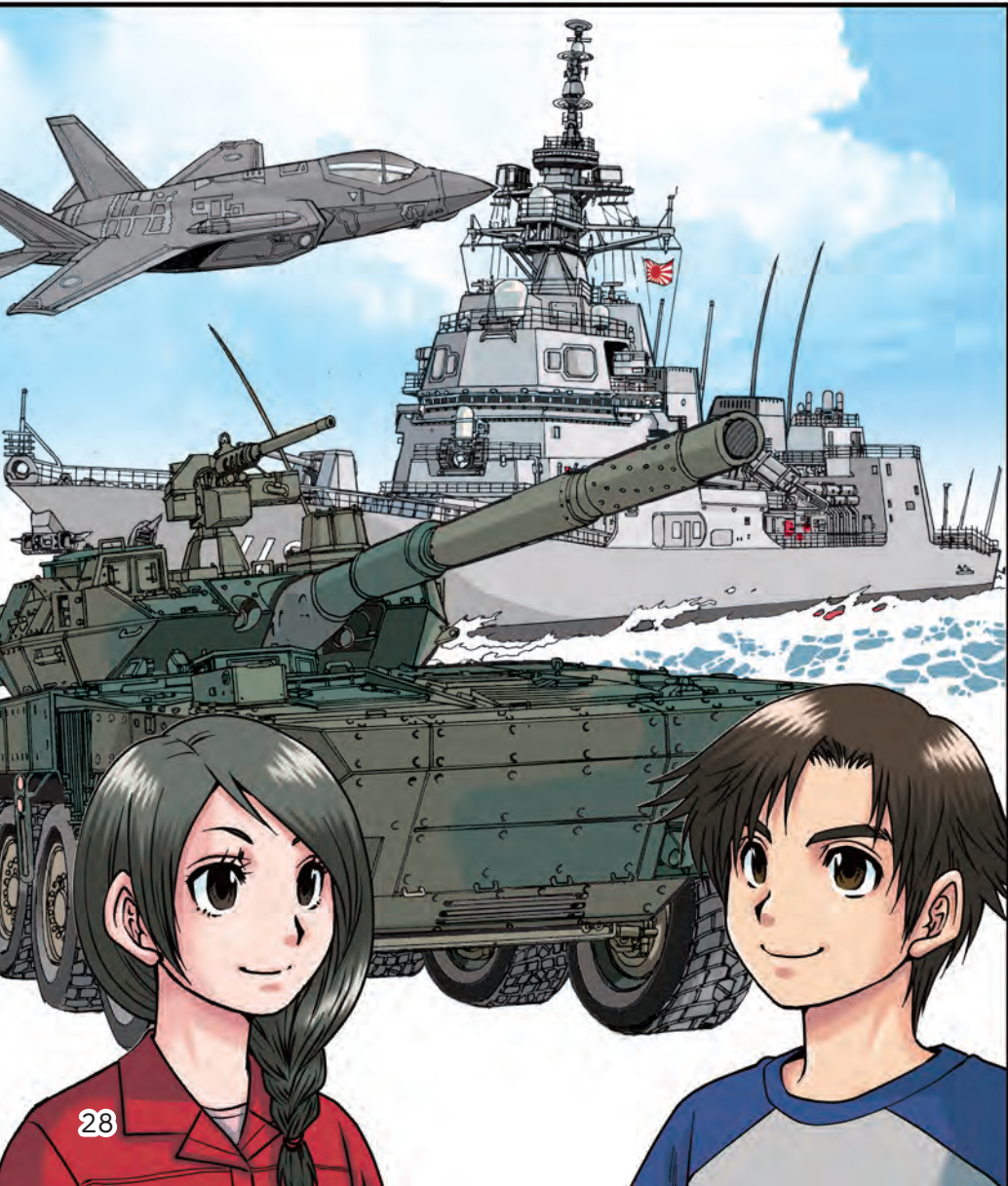






still want
to join the
SDF?

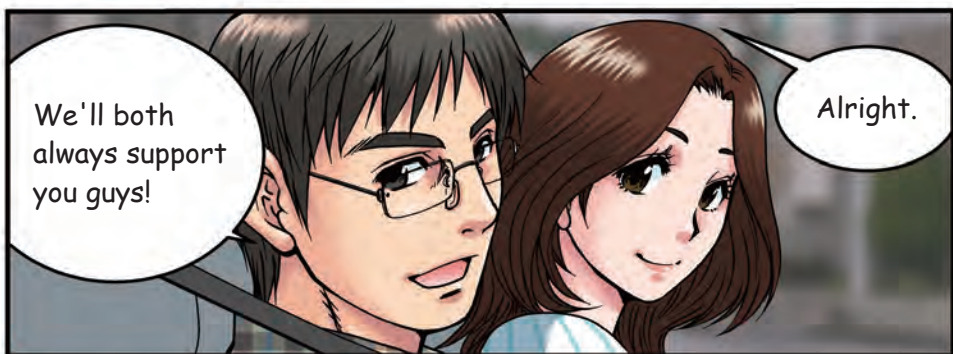
Do both
of you...





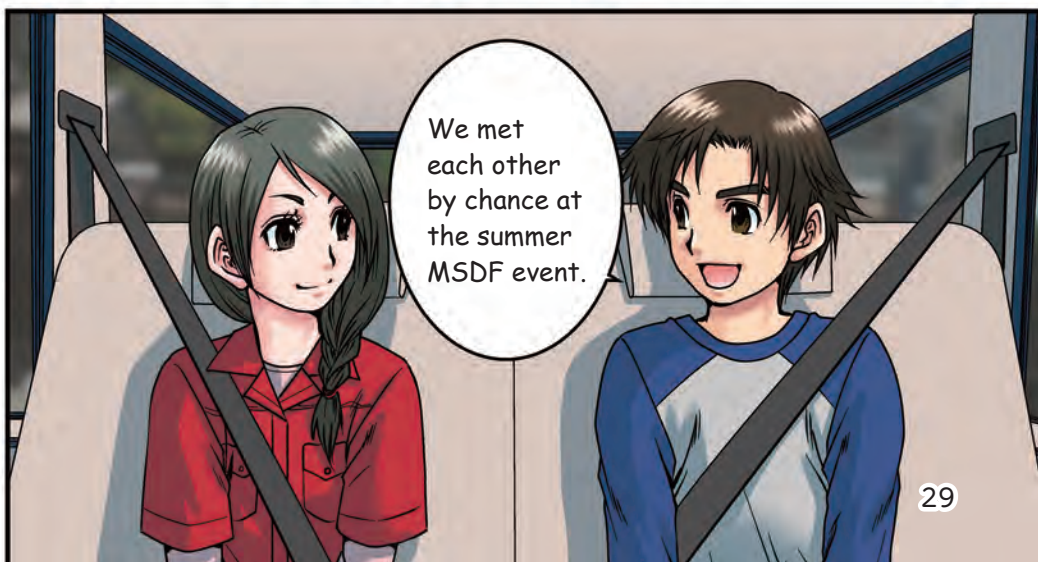
Me, too.

Sure! Now,
I really want
to join the
SDF ever
more than
before!

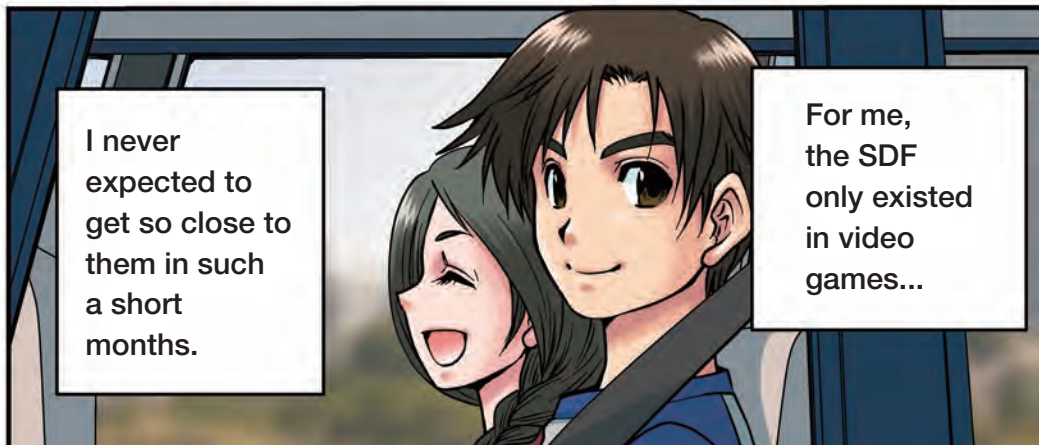
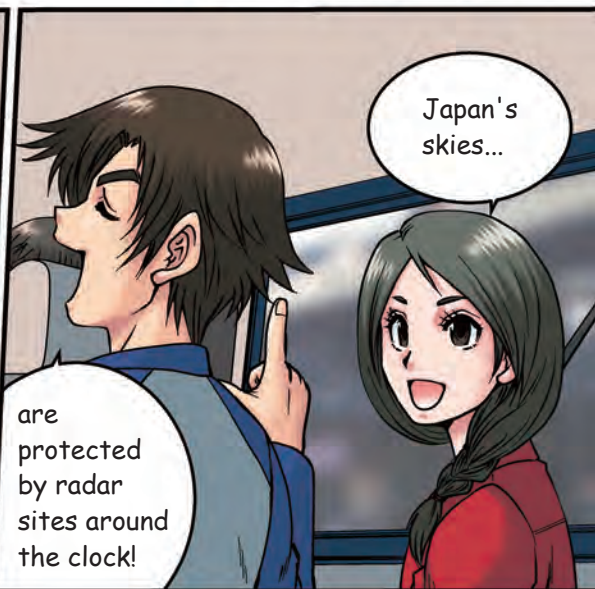
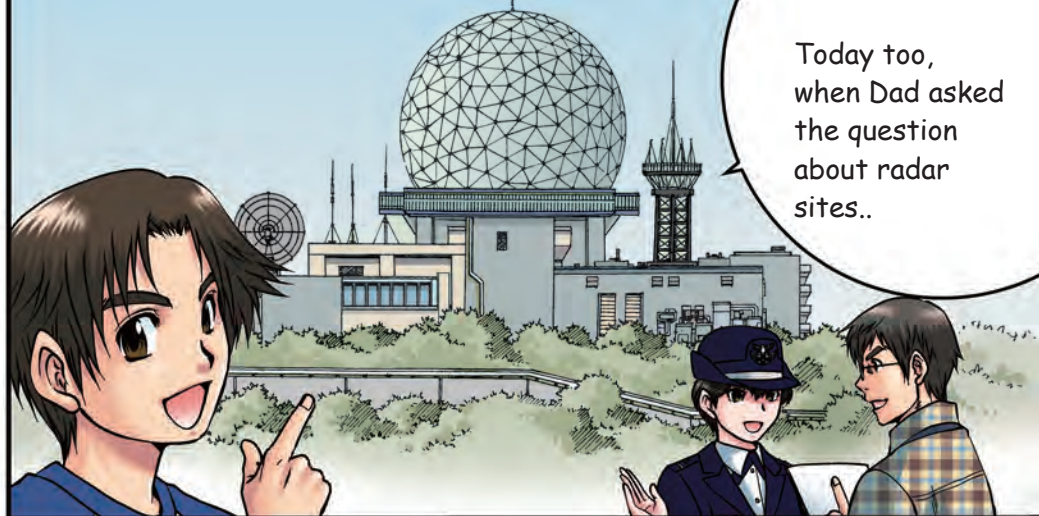


We'll both
always support
you guys!

Alright.



We met
each other
by chance at
the summer
MSDF event.





I wanted more
people to know
about the SDF.

I saw real things,
asked many
questions,
learned many
things, and I
came to realize
one thing...

Because the
SDF protects
our daily
lives!

Introduction to Major Equipment

Type 12 Surface-to-Ship Missile



<Outline>

Made-in-Japan anti-ship guided missiles that are used to destroy ships to counter landing attacks. Domestically, produced surface-to-ship guided missile used to destroy ships at the sea in a counter-landing combat.

Type-10 Tank



<Specifications and capabilities>

Crew: 3 Full length: 9.4m Full width: 3.2m
Full height: 2.3m Maximum speed: Approx. 70km/h
120mm smoothbore 12.7mm heavy machine gun

P-1 Maritime Patrol Aircraft



<Specifications and capabilities>

Crew: 11 Cruise speed: 450kt Wingspan: 35.4m
Full length: 38.0m Full height: 12.1m

Soryu-Class Submarine



<Specifications and capabilities>

Displacement: 2,950tons surfaced Crew: Approx. 65
Length: 84m Beam: 9.1m Depth: 10.3m Speed: 20kt

J/FPS-5 Warning and Control Radar



<Outline>

Fixed air defense radar that constantly monitors the airspace around Japan and that can also respond to ballistic missiles.

Patriot PAC-3 Surface-to-Air Guided Missile



<Outline>

Surface-to-air guided missile which is tasked with intercepting a ballistic missile in its terminal phase. PAC-3 units are deployed to appropriate locations in preparation for responding to a ballistic missile launch



Introduction to Major Equipment

Amphibious Vehicle (personnel carrier)



<Specifications and capabilities>

Full length: 8.2m Full width: 3.3m Full height: 3.3m
12.7mm heavy machine gun
40mm automatic grenade launcher

Type-16 Mobile Combat Vehicle



<Specifications and capabilities>

Crew: 4 Full length: 8.45m Full width: 2.98m
Full height: 2.87m Maximum speed: Approx. 100km/h
105mm rifled bore gun 12.7mm heavy machine gun

Izumo-Class Destroyer



<Specifications and capabilities>

Displacement: 19,950 tons empty Crew: Approx. 470
Length: 248m Beam: 38m Depth: 23.5m Speed: 30kt
Phalanx CIWS SeaRAM Torpedo counter measures

Asahi-Class Destroyer



<Specifications and capabilities>

Displacement: 5,050t Crew: Approx. 220 Length: 151m
Beam: 18.3m Depth: 10.9m Speed: 30kt 5" caliber gun
VLS SSM Surface Vessel Torpedo Tubes

F-35A Fighter Aircraft



<Specifications and capabilities>

Crew: 1 Maximum speed: Mach 1.6 Wingspan: 10.7m
Full length: 15.6m Full height: 4.4m
GAU-22/A Air-to-air missile

C-2 Transport Aircraft



<Specifications and capabilities>

Crew: 4 Maximum speed: Mach 0.82 Wingspan: 44.4m
Full length: 43.9m Full height: 14.2m
Range: Approx. 7,600km (with 20ton load)



(The Government Aircraft)

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