

Blade of the Ninja II

Yoto Den 2

Ayame

Sakon

Ryoma

Lord of Tanba, Momochi Sandayu (age 35)
(Momochi Tanbano-kami Sandayu)

Kayo (22)

Hattori Masashige (or Masanari) (39)

Lord of Nagato, Fujibayashi (48)
(Fujibayashi Nagatono-kami)

Tajiro, middle-rank Ninja

Middle-rank Ninjas

Lower-rank Ninjas

Man in a dark costume

Jinpei (14)

Lord Oda Nobunaga

Mori Ranmaru

Hashiba Hideyoshi

Akechi Mitsuhide

Ryoan

Otowa-no Genzo (Genzo of Otowa, Oboro-shu)

Kira no Masago (Oboro-shu ...?)

Soldiers of Oda's army

Lower-rank Samurai, peasants, Ninjas of Iga Province

Others

cirrocumulus crowd in the
sky

The comet Alexander is not
visible

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"Nineth Year of Tensho (A.D 1581)
Late Summer"

Main road at mid-day
a group of figures move on
the road at a tremendous speed

Forest land
Daytime

Three men halt

Man

Did we throw them off the track?

Second Man

I don't think they could follow us by now.

Third Man

No..... Take cover!

Three jump off
Needle-like weapon hit them
on their legs

One falls to the ground
devil-like fighter comes up
and cut the fallen man's
head off

The other two land a short
distance away

Four men approach them from the
edge of the forest leading
their men

Man from the forest A

You must be wind-devil Ninjas.....
You are plotting to join the Iga side....
.....I would not allow that!

Two men

(stunned) You must be the one who shot and
killed every one who tried to join Iga side!

Man from the Forest B

...Right!

Two men

Looking at the way you handle yourselves, we
assume you were ninjas originally.... How dare
you to join the side of Nobunaga...

Man From the Forest C

We are not Ninjas.....

Man from the Forest D

We call ourselves Oboro Seven.....

(* Oboro means hazy, dim or
vague)

Men A,B,C,D emit strange
energy

The tow men disintegrate

Man from the Forest A

This will make Iga totally isolated now.

Wind blows and four men
disappear

Main Title

"Blade of the Ninja II"

A giant castle in the dark

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"Azuchi Castle"

Inside Azuchi Castle

Private room of Oda Nobunaga

Nobunaga gets up, shaking with full
of sweats

Nobunaga looks terrified

Nobunaga

Ranmaru!

Voice of Ranmaru

Here I am, my Lord!

Ranmaru sitting in the dark

Nobunaga turns

Nobunaga

I think I should go to Iga myself.
I can't let those half-wits generals to
fight this war themselves!

Ranmaru moves forward

Ranmaru

According to the messenger sent by Lord Kitabatake, he is avoiding engagements at night because of the dangers from the Ninjas but planning an all out attack beginning tomorrow morning.....

I don't think you need to be there yourself, my lord. The battle will end in our victory in a few days.....

Nobunaga

But..... the shadow Ninjas may come anytime and may attack me in my sleep.....

Ranmaru (M)

This old idiot!.....really scared stiff....

Ranmaru

This past year, many Ninjas showed the gesture to come after you...!.....but it was all because they wanted you to come out to Iga personally so that they could assassinate you on their own turf.

Once you are in Iga territory, it is almost impossible to use the powers of Oboro.... If you make any move at this point, you will fall right into their plot, my lord.

Nobunaga

You are right.

It makes me furious to think about the Iga province and the Shadow ninjas who hide there.

They want me to come out there.... No way.... (laughs).... I can picture their frustrated faces!

Ranmaru silently observes
Nobunaga

Battlefield

Cavalries passing

Narration

(low, suggesting tragic outcome)

The year, Nobunaga sent Forty Four to Forty Six Thousand soldiers to conquer Iga. The army was led by his second son Kitabatake Nobukatsu and supported by other generals, who were Takigawa Kazumasu, Tamba Nagahide (or Osahide), Gamo Ujisato, Hori Hidemasa, Asano Nagamasa, Tsutsui Junkei and others. Even though he (Nobunaga) was a step away from conquering the entire nation, the force he sent to conquer Iga seemed excessive....

Map of Iga region

Map shows the geographical
relationship between the Iga
region and Azuchi Castle

Iga, surrounded from three
sides

Narration

The region of Iga, well known as the
original home of Ninjas, is now almost
totally surrounded. For the past week, the
giant army of Oda Nobunaga and Ninjas of Iga
have been engaging in fierce battles.
This is the outset of what the later
historians called the War of Tensho Iga.

Battlefield

Cavalry charge

number of "shadows" emerge

"shadows" , Ninjas of Iga,
sever the legs off the horses

Cavalry goes into confusion

Hand to hand combat-spatting
blood

A burning red rock falls on the
fightingmen climbing up the
cliff

Ninjas seen on top

Sakon, who is in charge, watches

Iga troop and Nobunaga's army
fight

Ryoma and Ayame in the middle
of the battle

S.E

(guns)

Three rows of Firearm troops

Ayame

Get back! Get back!

Forest:Daytime

Ayame, Ryoma, two lower rank
ninjas come

Lower Rank Ninja

It was incomprehensible! How did Nobunaga's
army advance from the secret back roads only
known to our people....

Ayame

.....Is there an informer?

Lower Rank Ninja

It can't be.....

A throwing-knife thrusts
the back of Lower Rank Ninja

Ryoma and Ayame turn

Ryoma

Oboro...

Ayame

(mumbles) This area is close to the border
with Ohmi.....they are hiding out this far.....

Something moves behind them

Ayame aims her "mysterious"
sword (Yōtō in Japanese)

Ayame

Coming?!

Ayame jumps
Ryoma aims his spear

From where the sword and spear
hit, a flame goes up

Flame turns into a shape of
human

Face

(sound).....Shadow Ninja.....
This is Genzo of Otowa, one of the Oboro Seven!

Ayama and Ryoma rapidly taken
under the spell of Genzo's
sorcery

Ayame surrounded by tall grass
which turns into numerous
leeches

Ayame

What is this!

Ryoma is under the illusion
in which he is struck by countless
spears

Ryoma

(scream)

Genzo

(strange yell)

A shrine burning:Daytime

Nobunaga's army, which torched the shrine advances

Sakon and young Ninja Jinpei watch

Jinpei

Damn! The outskirts of Iga are completely under enemy's control!

Jinpei

We have been preparing for this battle for over a year but nothing has worked to our advantage. If it continues this way, Iga will lose out completely.

Sakon

It is obvious that our entire strategy has been leaking to the enemy.

Jinpei

(furious and frustrated)....Sakon-sama. Look at that!

(* -sama is a suffix used to call someone of superior status with respect)

Jinpei and Sakon recognize a group of Ninja from Kohga Province

Jinpei

They are ...from Kohga! (shocked and incredulous)

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(Kohga or Koga is pronounced with long "o" with an accent on "o")

Sakon

I did have an information that the Ninjas of Kohga may have sided with Nobunaga... It was true.....

Jinpei and Sakon Follow the group
Sakon pokes the arm of a Kohga Ninja

Jinpei

Answer me! What are Kohga Ninjas doing marching with the army going to attack Iga?

Sakon

Kohga Ninjas escape from them

Does this mean Kohga betrayed Iga?

Mysterious fiend appear in front of Sakon and Jinpei

Sakon kills the creature

Forest:Daytime

Ayame and Ryoma still under the spell

A Throwing knife comes flying and their spell is broken

A masked woman who threw the sword
in on top of the cliff

Genzo jumps away	Genzo	Damn! interference.....
	Ayame	Hold it!
Ayame throws her short sword		
Several devils appear	Ayame	Crummy tricks!
Ayame swings her short sword devils turn into dirt		
one dieing devil throws hi nail		
Ayame fails to avoid it		
Genzo disappears	Ayame	Genzo of Otowa.....You rely on cheap tricks?
Ayame turns		
Masked woman stands		
Masked woman resembles Kikyo very closely		
	Ayame	(mumbles) Kikyo.....?
	Ryoma	I appreciate your saving us. Are you from Kohga? My name is.....
Woman stops Ryoma	Woman	I am Kayo from the house of Wada in Kohga. I shall be formerly meeting you people from the Shadow Ninjas later.
	Ayame	You know about us?
	Kayo	Exucuse me.
Kayo bows and goes away		
	Ryoma	What is this all about.....
Ayame looks at her short sword sadly		

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Iga Hohjiro (*place name)
Fort Momochi

Daytime
Ninjas guarding the fort

Inside the fort
Strategy Session:Daytime

Men gather in the large room

Lord Tanba at the center
Three Shadow Ninjas and Hattori
Masashige and his followers as
present
Further down, middle-rank Ninjas
sit

Lower-rank Ninjas sit on the
ground outside

Momochi, Lord of Tanba

So Sakon...You tell me Kohga is on the side
of Oda Nobunaga....

Sakon

It appears to be so....

Hattori

It figures....If Kohga, who for a long time
considered as our ally,has now turned their
backs to us and sides with the enemy.....
I understand the results of the battles of
last few days much better.....

Tajiro

True. Every back road which leads to Iga
has now fallen into the enemy's hands and we
have not been able to recieve any assistance
from our allies nor we could communicate with
Kohga.

Middle-rank Ninja

You are right. It is a concrete evidence now
that our province is completely isolated.
Our alliance with the monks of Koya Mountain has
been severed ever since Nobunaga murdered the
Holy Archibishop there.
If we carefully examine the events shich took
place recently, we notice every one of our
strategy has ended in failure.

Momochi

Judging from what you are saying..... are you
suggesting that someone has been leaking
information to the enemy?

Hattori

Those who engage in covert activities are not
always the most honorable...
It is entirely believable someone has been
accepting money violating our traditional
loyalty oath.....

NARRATION

(*Hanzo Gate...One of the gates
at the Edo Castle, present Imperial
Palace in Tokyo)

Hattori Masashige, who is later known as
"fiendish" Hanzo and immortalized at Hanzo Gate
was originally an indigenous Samurai from the
Iga Province. By this time he was already
employed by the Tokugawa clan of Mikawa secretly

(*Hattri was the suspicious party)

People react to Hanzo's
words negatively

Ryoma

Wait a minute. I can not be convinced that
Kohga betrayed us.

Tension prevails the room

Battleship afloat
:Evening

Akechi's flag on the mast

A large castle on the shore
is surrounded by an army

Hideyoshi (Hashiba) is attacking
the Tottori Castle

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Tottori Castle

NARRATION

At the same time, an army led by Hashiba
Hideyoshi completely surrounded the Tottori
Castle. Inside, there were no more food
nor weapon and was in the state of death and
starvation resembling the hell.

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Headquarters of Hideyoshi:Evening

Hideyoshi and Mitsuhide (Akechi)
sitting facing each other

Hideyoshi

Lord Hiuga.... I appreciate your bringing to us
our provisions in your battle ship.

Mitsuhide

Don't thank me. It was a directive from
Lord Nobunaga.

Hideyoshi is trying to use
mitsuhide by pumpering his ego.
Mitsuhide on the other hand
is not at all happy with Hideyoshi's
successive military victories

Hideyoshi Mitsuhide-dono.....let me show you something
that may interest you.....take a look at that
way. (indicate the direction with his fan)

Hideyoshi points out a tree

A fiendish creature is on a
tree

(* Mitsuhide-dono "dono" is
a suffix used to address
others with respect)

Mitsuhide (reaction)

Hideyoshi That is....a ninja Lord Nobunaga sent here to
spy on my activities around this encampment....

mitsuhide wipes his sweat

Voice (placidly).....He does not look like a
human being, does he?

Ryoan standing

Mitsuhide Who are you?

Hideyoshi He is one of the a survivor from the assault
of Koya mountain....name is Ryoan...
He is a sort of....my bodyguard.

Ryoan (bows) I am about to leave for Iga.

Hideyoshi nods

Ryoan disappears, leaving a trace
of sutra chanting

Hideyoshi looks at Mitsuhide
with cunning eyes

Hideyoshi By the way.....I have something I wanted to
confer with you.

Azuchi Castle

Main Tower:daytime

Nobunaga sitting and Ranmaru
is on his side

Nobunaga Begin the attack on Iga castle immediately!
Do not leave a tree nor a grass after my flag
passes!
How are Oboros doing?

Ranmaru Genzo of Otowa is at the entrance to Ise.
Masago of Kira is right outside of Kohga.
The other four are ready and waiting in the
rear.

Nobunaga

If only we could send in the "devils" to that province, we wouldn't have to go through all this trouble!

Nobunaga stands up

Nobunaga's army advancing
:Daytime

Voice of Nobunaga

Iga Province is where non-human-monsters thrive! Do not let any one of Iga warriors escape! Kill them all off!

Nobunaga's army goes on
all out assault on the land
and people

Iga Ninjas fall in front of
Nobunaga's Firearms

Iga losing

Iga: Strategy Session:Early evening

Lower-rank Ninja runs in

Lower-rank Ninja

Reporting! Nobunaga's army has resumed the attack! Please send reinforcement to all outposts!

Jinpei helps the man who is
covered with blood

Suddenly a woman appears
from the other room
Ayame, Ryoma recognize her

Ayame

Oh! You are the lady.....

Ryoma nods

Kayo

(sits and bows) I came here representing twenty one families of Kohga..
I am Kayo.

Hattori

(with hatred) From Kohga, huh?

Momochi

I would like to hear what Kohga wants to say.

	Kayo	To our deep regret, among the twenty one clans who practice Ninja Ways in Kohga, a few has succumbed to Nobunaga's enticement. However, the remaining members are united and determined to protect the sovereignty of Kohga and promise to help defend Iga. We promise that we would not let Nobunaga's army Pass through Kohga to invade Iga.
Kayo points to the map behind Momochi		
	Kayo	As you can see, the road through Kohga is the easiest and fastest way to invade Iga from the direction of Azuchi. But if we, the warriors of Kohga stop their advance in our land, Iga will be safe from their invasion.
	Momochi	So you deny the rumor that Kohga has sided with Nobunaga....?
	Kayo	Yes....
	Hattori	But...how can we trust the words of this woman so easily?
Kayo expresses sadness	Ryoma	This lady has saved our lives this morning... I think she is trustworthy....
	Sakon	You are much too gullible.
	Momochi	Kayo is...in fact, my sister who was sent to Kohga as a hostage-bride long ago when she was a very young girl....
Everyone shocked at the revelation		
	Momochi	But...that is not the only reason. Our ancestor. the first Lord of Tanba wrote as follows, " We now come to settle this valley surrounded by the great mountain chains and create our own way of life. As we set our boundaries and defend them, one direction seems extremely vulnerable to the invasion from outside. For, someday, a mysterious star may appear in the sky and bring changes to the world, we now send our flesh and blood to that land and call it Kohga. The province of Kohga shall always remain as the trusted ally to the land of Iga. (Momochi's dialogue continues to the next page)

	Momochi	(continues) Thus Kohga is from the ancient time our blood relative. I would like to trust them..... What are your opinions?
	Tajiro	If our Lord says so....
Middle-rank Ninjas remain still-expressed	Hattori	Then....who could have been leaking our moves to the enemy?Does that mean.... we doubt those who were overly skeptical of Kohga from the outset?
Hattori looks at Sakon and then Jinpei	Jinpei	Are you questioning our loyalty?
	Hattori	Well, if Kohga is proved to be innocent, then some might have that sort of ideas....
	Jinpei	What!....Lord! We have never.....!!
	Sakon	Whoever's sister she may be, I would think a woman from Kohga is the most suspicious one.....
	Ryoma	Stop it! Sakon!
	Sakon	I was merely pointing out that the level of suspicions is the same.
Sakon turns to Kayo		
Tears dropping from Kayo's eyes		
Silence	Momochi(solemnly) Hattori-dono, you may go.... I am not suspecting anyone..... If there is a traitor among us, the one will be judged by the Ninja's Justice.
Hattori stands up and leave		
Hattori glances at Jinpei and Sakon with piercing eyes	MomochiI don't think Nobunaga will use the path through Kohga. I trust my allies in Kohga and count on their cooperation. This is our chance. While Nobunaga's army is at a standstill, this is the chance for us to stage an all out assault and smash his force!
Crowd reacts with enthusiasm		

Sakon stands up	Sakon	I regret to tell you this.... But I don't see any advantage in attacking now, unless Kohga is entirely supporting us. Since I don't believe they are, I see no point in participating in a losing battle.
	Sakon	(to the two Shadow Ninjas) Let meexcuse myself.
	Ayame	Sakon!
Ryoma jumps on Sakon	Ryoma	Wait, Sakon! Why are you going when all of us are determined to stand up and fight the enemy?
	Sakon	I have no intention of wasting my life here.
	Ryoma	What! .You!
Ryoma slaps Sakon	Ryoma	You call our battle as "wasting" our lives away
Sakon proceeds to leave	Jinpei	Sakon-sama! Please wait!
	Momochi	Prepare for the battle. Go to your divisions, all of you!
Lower-rank ninjas stand up swiftly		

Outside:evening

Kayo crying near the water
well

Ryoma comes	Ryoma	Please don't be harsh on Sakon... He acts strange from time to time. Please forgive him.
	Kayo	Of course..... Kohga will never betray Iga.. I...I...would rather die if people of Iga do not trust me....
	Ryoma	No! Noone is suspecting you!
	Ryoma	I er.. I don't know how to put words together to say what I want to say.....
Ayame watching,looking sad	kayo	You are such a kind person, Ryoma-sama.....

Battle:night

Nobunaga's army defeating
ninjas
Nobunaga's superior fire power
overwhelming Ninjas' traditional
ground force

Iga warriors run to the battle
Jinpei recognizes Sakon

Sakon

Are you going.....

Jinpei

Yes, I belong to the Iga force as a lower-rank
Ninja.

Sakon

There is no way you could win this battle.

Jinpei

....I can not let my buddies down....
I have been with them ever since I was born in
this province.

Sakon

That's so... it's tough....

Jinpei

Yes.

Sakon

Take care.....

Jinpei

You too, Sakon-sama.

Jinpei bows and takes off
Sakon watches him sadly

Momochi's sitting room: night

Ayame, Ryoma on Momochi's
side

Momochi

A while ago, I let Lord Fujibayashi of Nagato
and his tirbesmen escape. They are heading for
Negi Temple in Kii Province.

Ayame stunned

Momochi

I don't think we can win this battle.

Ryoma

What are you saying! If we fight with all our
might, twenty or thirty thousand can be easily
defeated.

Momochi

That is not what I meant.
From the beginning we tried to lure Nobunaga
himself out to this area. But the strategy did
not work. We do not win by killing his foot
soldiers unless we get Nobunaga himself.

Momochi

....Even if we lose our land and our autonomy,
The Way of Iga Ninja will not die.
As long as the three schools of Shadow Ninja
Way survive somewhere in the country, our
tradition will live forever....

Ayame stares at her treasured
sword

Voice of Shinnosuke (Ayame's brother)
(off)

This is the sword our father handed down to us
risking his life and eventually dieing for it.
Ayame... I trust you will carry out my wish.
You must go to Hiuga immediately.

Momochi

There is another thing I must tell you now.
The first Lord of Tanba whom I was telling you
about a little earlier left a document describing
our tribe's history. In the document he touched
upon the tradition of the "mysterious" swords
which are handed down from generation to
generation among the three families who practice
Shadow Ninja Way.

Ryoma and Ayame show intense
curiiousities

Momochi

According to the First Lord of Tanba, there once
existed an ancient record which predicted the
emergence of a mysterious star and the re-
incarnation of an evil power.
If we consider the appearance of that huge comet
in our sky last year and compare Nobunaga to the
re-incarnation of evil power.....It seems to me
the only way left to defeat Nobunaga is to find
out the secret surrounding those "mysterious"
swords.

Ayame

The legend of the mysterious swords....
But my lord, where can we go fo find that out?

Momochi

I heard long ago that ...there is someone in the
Koya Mountains who was told of the legend through
oral tradition.....
I must stop here.

Momochi taps the wall

Wall turns around and ten
dark-costumed men surround
Ayame

Ayame and Ryoma grab their swords

IMAGE

Ten or so Ninjas, among them
Lord Fujibayashi and his wife,
hurry down the mountain

NARRATION

Lord Momochi and Lord Fujibayashi together ruled the Iga Province and its Ninjas.

But from this period on, Fujibayashi's name completely disappears from history.

....Perhaps the Ninjas who re-emerge as a group later in the Edo Period may have descended from Fujibayashi's clan who secretly escaped from Iga this day.

(* Edo Period...!600 to 1850's)

Open road: Night

A group of dark-costumed men
run through (Momochi and Shadow
Ninjas)

The group encounters a small
company from Nobunaga's force
and engage in battle

One middle-rank Ninja approaches
momochi

Dark-costumed man

Lord! They have penetrated the border from
Kohga!

Momochi

What? Kohga assured to us not to let them
through!

Dark-costumed man

The fact is... the invaders are led by the elite
troop from kohga!

Ayame and Ryoma stunned

Momochi

No! It can't be.....!

Forest: Deep into the night

Sakon comes through the misty, foggy
air Skakon stops

Genzo (off) (low laughter) ...Sakon...Shadow Ninja!
I knew you would be here.

Sakon

Oboro...

Sakon

(reaction)

Sakon sees Jinpei coming
his direction

Sakon

Jinpei... Why are you here...?

Sakon guards Jinpei's sword
with his sword case

Sakon

What are you trying to do?

As Sakon engage with Jinpei,
Jinpei's face changes into
a reptile-like creature
and reptile's long tongue
attack Sakon

Sakon

(reaction)

Sakon's sword cuts
"Jinpei" in half

Sakon

(yell)

In a moment "jinpei" 's
corpse disappears
Sakon stunned
several
"will-o'-the-wisps appear
around Sakon

fire ball attacks Sakon

Sakon

(reaction)

Sakon burns

Sakon

(reaction)

Sakon wields his sword

Sakon

There it is!

Sakon opens his eyes and see his
old buddy from his Brigand
days under his sword

Saburo

B..boss!....

Saburo approaches and
Sakon backs up

Sakon bumps into something and
sees his another buddy from those
days, Zoroku

Sakon

Zo...Zoroku!....

Sakon terrified

Sakon

(scream)

Sakon surrounded by the old
friends who are all covered
with blood

Sakon

You...You guys... What is this all about....!

Sakon

(scream)

Sakon goes after Saburo

Numerous "hands" attack Sakon
and Sakon is immobilized

Suddenly a voice reading Sutra
is heard and the spell which
haunted Sakon is broken

Forest goes back to the way
it was

Genzo is seen on one side
Ryoan is in the tree chanting
Sutra

Genzo

That was....you...

Genzo is transforming into a
giant figure
Ryoan chants louder and
stuns Genzo from further
transforming

Ryoan

Sakon, why are you hesitating? Go now!

Sakon slices Genzo in two
Genzo's body disintegrates
under Sakon's feet

Sakon

(yell)

Sakon looks perplexed by
Ryoan's words

Ryoan

The warriors of Hiuga are believed to have
reached enlightenment through seeing the blue
reflection of their swords.
I see that you have quite a way to go....

Ryoan

Your mind is still wondering....
You act as if you are indifferent and merciless,
but in fact you are constantly vacillating....
If you are still minding your subordinates whom
you left behind, why don't you go back and fight
with them?

Sakon

I have no intention of wasting my life away.

Ryoan

Well...that may be a correct judgement.
Then, why can't you stick to your decision?

Sakon

Huh! I don't care to argue with you here.

Sakon turns and begins to
go

Ryoan

Wait! Let me grant you one of the quintessence
of the Sadow Way!

What is not seen
not form shape
not have form
not recognized

.....

is your own mind.

If you have any doubts in your mind, you are
like an infant left alone in the dark!
At present,

You are that infant

Sakon, listening to Ryoan's words,
turns around

Sakon I reached an enlightenment on one thing...

Ryoan Oh?

Sakon turns his back again

Sakon walks away

Sakon The fact I can not condone Nobunaga.

Mountains burning:night

Oda Nobunaga's army advances

Iga warriors losing

Momochi This passage is closed..

Dark-costumed man

Yes, all the roads connecting to Kohga are
under their control. The Kohga folks betrayed
us.

Momochi bites his lips

Ayame No, that can't be.....

Ayame points out a direction
where they see dark-clothed Kayo
standing above the cliff

Momochi Kayo!

RyomaNo! this can't be true!

Momochi Kayo! Did you lead Oda's army into our
province?

Form Kayo's upper body,
Masago's upper body appear

Masago (laugh)One of Oboro Seven....Masago of
Kira is known for manipulating people!
You were stupid not to suspect this!

Kayo's face in the middle
of Masago's body is in tears

Ryoma What a devil!

Ayame Kayo.....!

Momochi So,Kayo was the traitor....

Ayame No! She is only being manipulated!

	Momochi	(subdued laugh) It looks as though we never had any chance of winning this battle. But you too still have missions to complete. I will fight the enemy here. You two escape quick!
Momochi takes out his sword		
Kayo's hair extends and traps Momochi	Ayame	Lord Momochi!
Ayame tries to kill Masago		
Ayame falls	Momochi	Never mind me! Just get away as far away as possible!
Momochi concentrating in attacking Masago	Momochi	Iga Ninja Way..... Self-sacrifice bomb!
Momochi blows up and his head flies to stab Masago's neck		
	Masago	(reaction)
Masago tumbles down the cliff	Ayame, Ryoma	Lord Momochi!
Ryoma and Ayame runs to fallen Masago		
Masago turns back into Kayo	Ryoma	Kayo-dono! Hold on to me!
Kayo hugs Ryoma and from her chest animal's mouth like object protrudes and bites into Ryoma	Ryoma	(reaction)
	Ayame	Ryoma-dono!
Ayame attempts to thrusts at Kayo	Ryoma	Stay back!
Kayo's tear-filled eyes in front of Ryoma		
Masago's body re-emerge from Kayo	Ryoma	Kayo-dono, you wanted to cry like that for a long time. I knew it all along. You wanted to cry yet you could not cry.... Oh, you had to endure so much on your frail body.... You must have suffered I shall let you free....now....

Ryoma slowly lifts his spear
and stabs Kayo's side

Blue streaks blow out of Kayo's body
Kayo gradually loses life and her
figure disappears into the blue
light

Ayame

Ryoma-dono!

Ayame runs to Ryoma

Ryoma kneels
Tears fill Ryoma's eyes

Ayame

Are you all right?

Ryoma mumbles his sister's name

Ryoma

Kikyo....

Ayame

....what?

Ayame looks at Ryoma sadly
and stands up

Ayame

Ryoma-dono, You will not waste Kayo and
Lord Momochi's death.

Oda Nobunaga's soldiers
seen advancing from
yonder

Ryoma stands up and
lands his spear on the
ground

Ryoma

You ruthless beasts!
I shalln't condone your act!

The earth splits
The earth swallows Iga, Kohga
and Oda army indiscriminately
An out burst of a giant motion and
energy occur

humans swallowed into earth

NARRATION

According to the historical documents, the
Ninjas of Iga headed by Lord Momochi of Tanba
resisted more than two months before finally
overwhelmed by the much larger, much better
equipped Oda Nobunaga's army.
Then to the last warrior, Iga Ninjas died
in heroic death by blowing up the Kashiwakura
Castle themselves.

Sakon running through the road
leading to Hida Province where
traditionally many warriors
trained

Ayame and Ryoma head for
Koya Mountain

NARRATION

The event took place in the fall of the Ninth
Year of Tensho. (1581 A.D.)
Nobunaga's hegemony over the entire country was
almost achieved.

However the three Shadow Ninjas who escaped the
carnage at this time profoundly affected the
later course of history.

Space: A giant Comet passing

NARRATION

The mysterious comet which wandered into the
outer orbit of the Galaxy is observed once again
returning closer to the Sun.....

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