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Susanoh

It's lovely day, isn't it?



Last night Susanoh had an encounter with a damsel in distress Kushinada and naturally fell in love at the first sight.

He stayed at their house and now he was stretching his arms and legs under the sunshine.

Susanoh

Sunshine is good. It's as if Amaterasu was watching over me.
Well...the face-off is tonight.



He had already had a plan. Some preparations were needed.

Susanoh

OK. Let's get down to business! **Kushinada!**

He called her abruptly. She looked surprised.



Kushinada

Eh?



Susano-o

I'll change you into a small comb in case the dragon finds you. You will enjoy the battle from the premium seat.



Kushi means a comb in Japanese.



Kushinada

What? A comb?

PONG!!

He made her a small comb without explaining her the details, and put it on.



Susano-o

Hey, Ashinazuchi and Tenazuchi! Is there a brewery nearby?

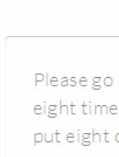


He asked Kushinada's parents.



Ashinazuchi

Yes, there is.



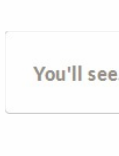
Susano-o

Please go and fetch a lot of liquor. The strongest one distilled eight times. After that let's make fences all around the house and put eight doors on it with the same distance between them.



Ashinazuchi

Why not? ...But what will you do with liquor and fences?



Susano-o

You'll see.



He ordered his in-laws audaciously.





Ashinazuchi

Mr. Susanoh! I've brought alcohol to you.

Susanoh

Oh, thanks. Come over here.



When Ashinazuchi came back home, he found a big hedge with eight doors all around the house. Each door had a shelf and there was a ship shaped wooden pot.

Susanoh

Please pour the liquor into the pots.



They did exactly what Susanoh said. It was quite tempting for a big-drinker like Ashinazuchi, but he controlled himself because of his only daughter.

When they finished the preparation, the sun was almost going down. According to Ashinazuchi, the dragon came just after the sunset every year. Susanoh sniggered in spite of the imminent situation.

Susanoh

I'm on fire!



(Growling)

When the sun went down completely, they heard a weird low-pitched sound. The ground started wobbling like it was an earthquake. Susanoh caught the sight of the Eight-Headed-Dragon over the mountain.

Susanoh

Wow...! I thought they exaggerated when they talked about his size, but he's actually as big as eight mountains and valleys.



He naturally trembled with excitement.

The dragon came over the village and stopped just in front of the house. His sixteen eyes glared at Susanoh simultaneously.



Dragon

Who are you? You're new here.

Susanoh answered cheerfully.

Susanoh

Good evening, Mr Dragon. We're waiting for you. Kushinada is now dressing up for you, so would you mind waiting here for a little while? How about a nice cup of sake?



Dragon

Sake? Are you trying to make me drunk so Kushinada could run away?

Susanoh

No kidding. If we had such an intention, we would have been gone already.



Susanoh

Here you are. I've brought the best liquor in this village. Of course there are eight pots for everyone.



Dragon

Hum...OK. Either way I can squeeze you whenever I want to.

The dragon plunged into the pots and drank the sake.



Dragon

Mmm. It's good.

He seemed to like it.

Susanoh

Thank you for your compliment. We have a lot of time. Please relax and enjoy the night.



Dragon

Oh...! It's really good.

The dragon murmured and kept on drinking. He was obsessed.

Susanoh was waiting for his chance.

After a little while, he heard the dragon snore. The heads dozed off one after another.

Susanoh

Hum, it's quite easy.



Susanoh took the sword of Totsuka and got close to the dragon quietly.

Susanoh

Hey, Mr.Dragon. Aren't you too careless?



Susanoh

If you lose your sharpness.....**someone will come and kill you!**



Gaaaaaaaaaaaaah!!!!

The dragon's scream was so loud that everyone in the village could hear it. Susanoh cut down the heads smoothly.



Dragon

Gaaaaah!! You cheated on me!!

The dragon barked but it was too late.

Susanoh

No offence! You must be the last one.



Susanoh succeeded in heading off all of them.

Huge amount of blood flowed into Hee river. The water was stained bloody red.

Susanoh

Phew! It's easy-peasy!



Baaaaaaaaanng!!!

Nevertheless a big low sound came from the mountain range, and the ground started to wobble again. Apparently the tails were still struggling.

Susanoh

Shit! It doesn't know when it is beaten!



Susanoh cut down the tails as well. Then...

Whomp!

Susanoh

What?



His sword hit something hard inside the tail. He wondered and picked it up. It was another gorgeous sword.

Susanoh

Waaaaa! It's so cool!!
I think it's that! It's the sword which one could get after beating up the world's worst beast!!



Susanoh got the sword of Kusanagi.

The dragon didn't move anymore.

Susanoh slayed it completely.



Susanoh

I've done it. Hey Kushinada, I've done it!



PONG!!

Susanoh made the comb return back into Kushinada.



Kushinada



Oh! What's going on? ...No! It's disgusting! Is it the dragon's blood? Are we now on the dragon's body? Oh...what the hell! Disgusting!

Susanoh

.....Kushinada, you are quite chatty.



Kushinada

Oh..so..you really beaten up the dragon?



Susanoh

I promised you that I would protect you.



Kushinada

You dare to say such a cliché.



Kushinada

.....But anyway, thanks.



Susanoh

Haha. I'm really happy to marry you.



Kushinada

...In fact...me too.Thank you so much!



Susanoh

Wow!



Kushinada jumped to Susanoh's arms with joy.

Then they were united in marriage.

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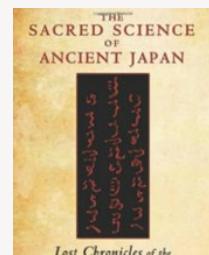
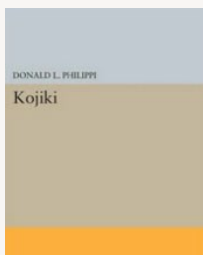
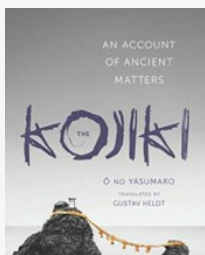


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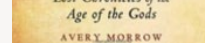
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