

# YON AND MU BY JUNJI ITO

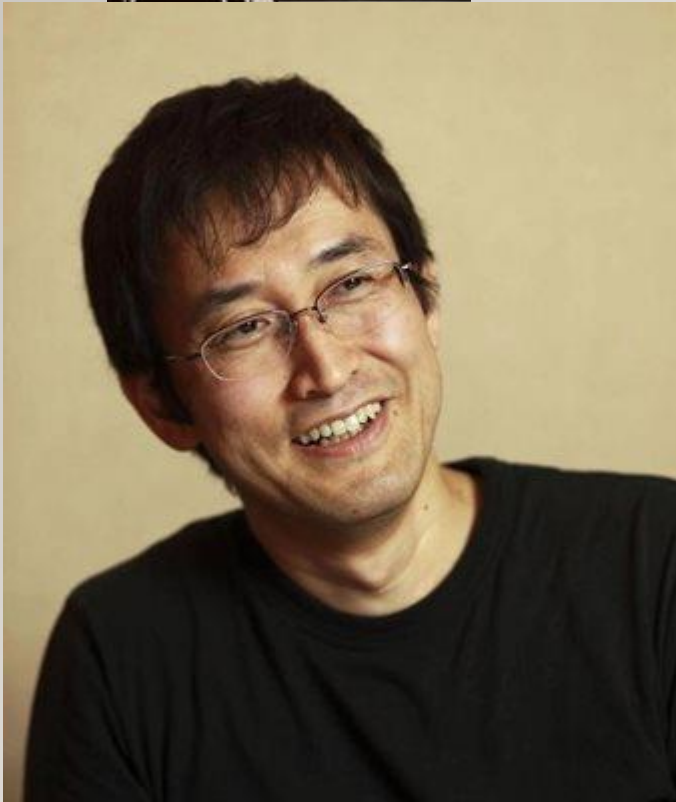
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# WHO IS JUNJI ITO?



Born in Gifu, Japan, on the 31st of July, 1963, Junji Ito is the master of horror manga. With a knack for plunging readers into surreal worlds, he blends detail with grotesque imagery, haunting audiences beyond the pages.

His debut collection, *Tomie*, marked his entry into the world of macabre. Balancing at the corner of madness and terror, Ito's unique ability to transform the mundane into psychological horror has cast him as one of the world's most talented manga authors of all time.

Ito is a four-time Eisner Award winner who has had many of his disturbing creations crafted into animes and other creative mediums. From *Uzumaki* to *Gyo*, Ito has taken the manga world by storm.

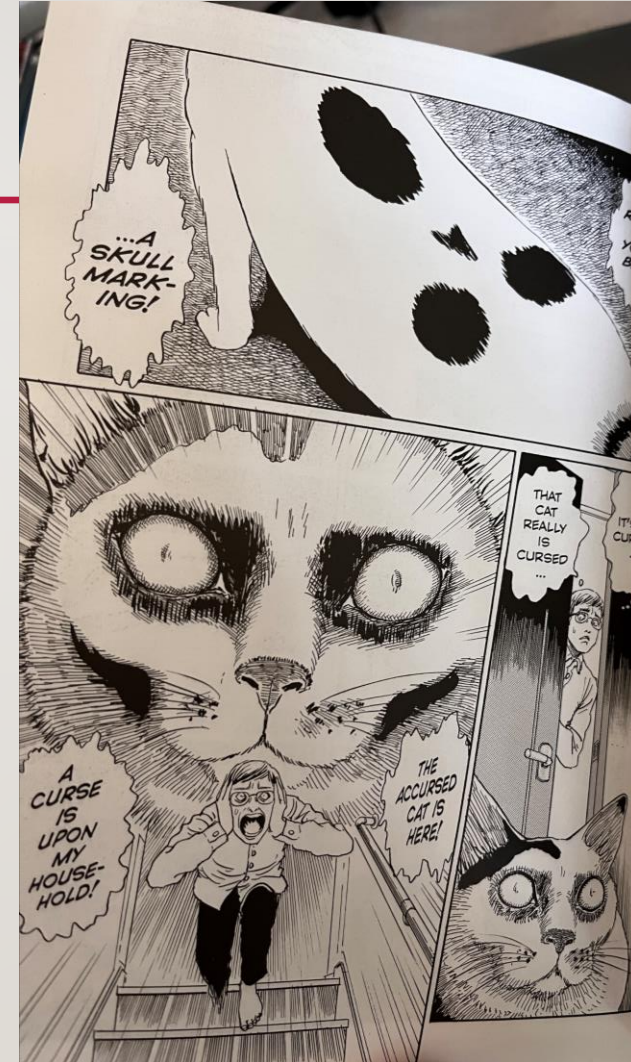


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# “SENSEI J-SAN” IS KNOWN FOR HIS HORROR MANGA SO YON AND MU IS A SURPRISING DIVERSION

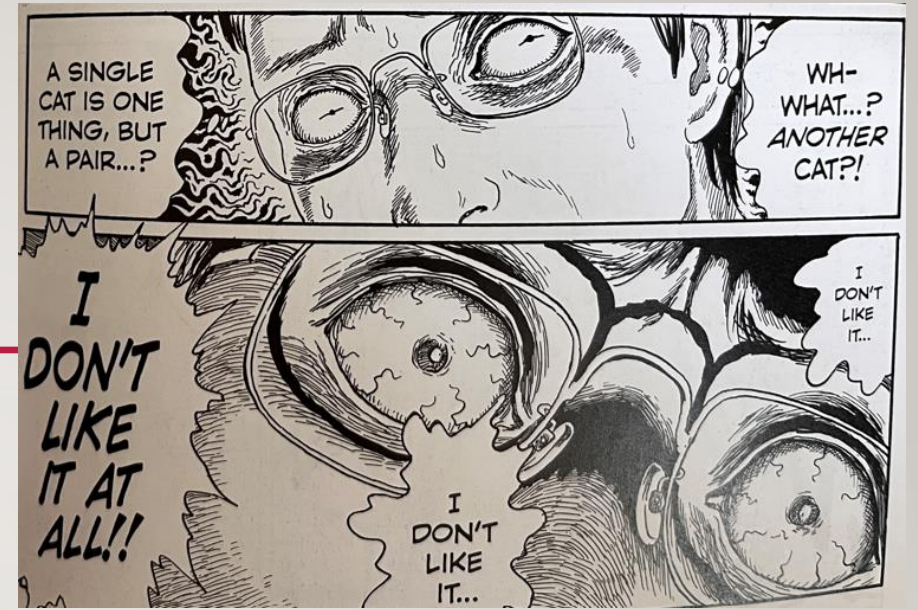
- Here is an example of his typical work.
- It is a short story that appears at the end of “Gyro” ca;ed [“The Enigma of Amigara Fault”](#)
- You get hints of his typical style in the illustrations in the book, for example in the way he exaggerates the cats faces to make them seem sinister and sees the markings on the cat as a curse.





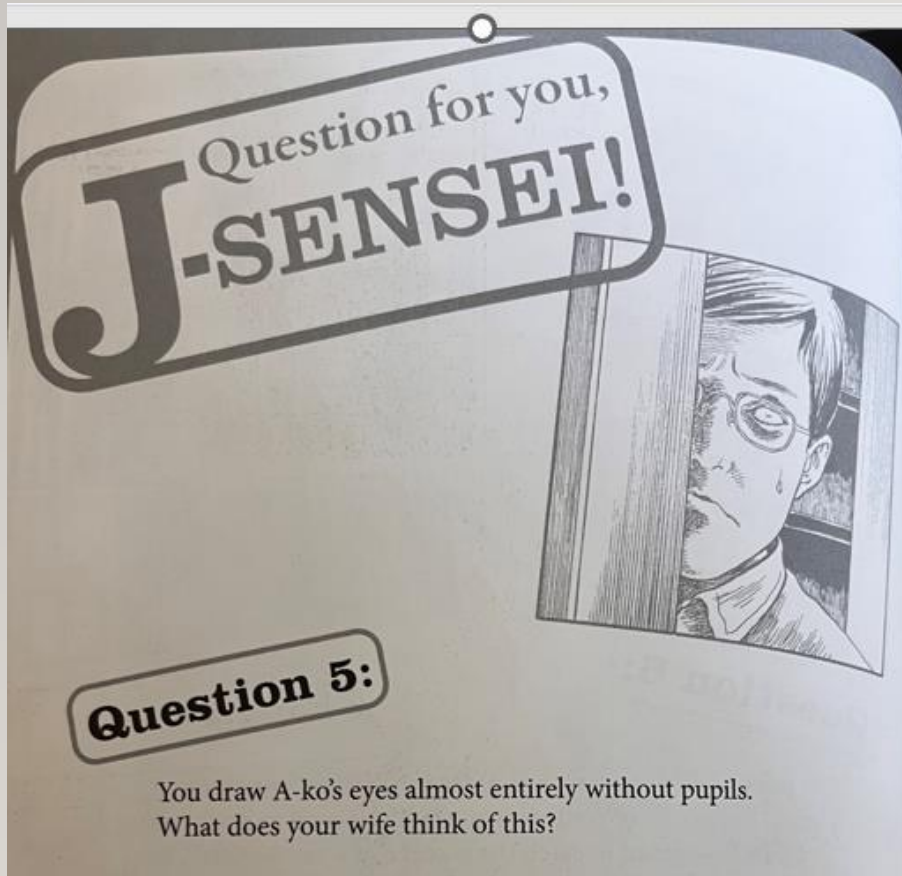
# THE CAT LOVER WINS!

- His wife is drawn as a sweet but persistent cat lover. He is definitely NOT!





# WHY DID HE DRAW HIS FIANCÉ WITHOUT PUPILS?



## Answer:

She got mad at me. It seems that she doesn't like the haircut, either. I've also been instructed to remove unnecessary lines from her cheeks in a number of panels. Additionally, she pointed out that A-ko's trademark striped pants are nowhere to be found in her personal wardrobe. Aside from these minor issues, my wife does not seem particularly displeased with this manga.

# THEN, THIS HAPPENS...



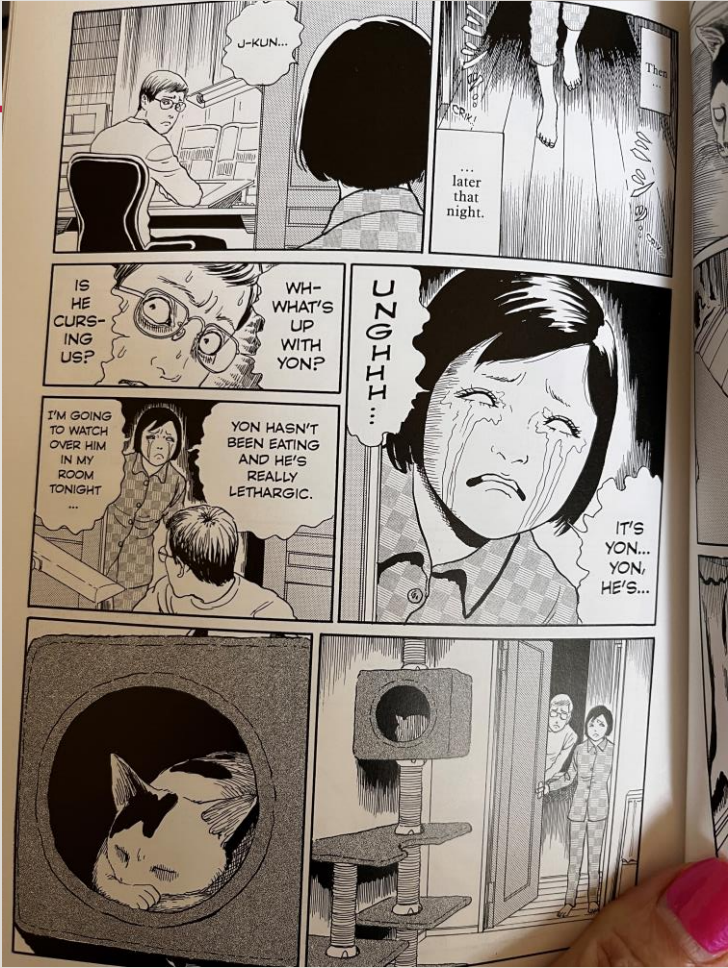
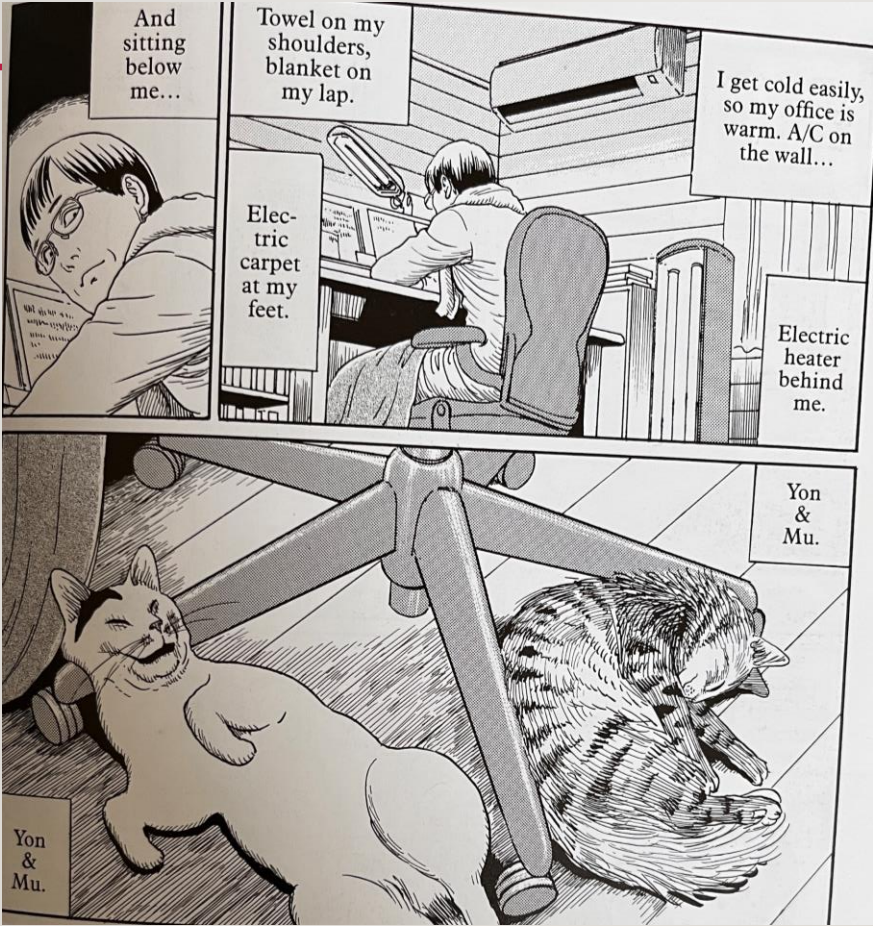
- His drawings of his reactions to the sweetness he finally finds in his cats are actually quite frightening, which adds to the absurdity of the story.





# THE END OF THE STORY

- J-Sensei finally accepts the cats, but as all pet owners know, there will be a sad parting with out beloved friends.





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MAKE YOUR  
CAT  
HAPPY**



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