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# Azumi 2: Death or Love

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Ueto Aya  
Ishigaki Yuma  
Kuriyama Chisaki  
Oguri  
Kaneko Syusuke  
They've increased in number  
Five from the west  
Five from the south  
Who the hell are  
these persistent guys?  
We're assassins who've  
killed many people  
It's obvious  
that we're marked  
That's true  
Let's go!  
They're coming...  
You're rats  
caught in our fangs  
Prepare yourselves  
Kill them!  
Huh...!?  
I'm sure I sliced him  
- Let's fall back for now!  
- Don't lose them!  
These guys are  
wearing steel armor  
Is that Kanbei?  
I'll get revenge  
for Lord Kato  
Shoot them!  
- Damn!  
- They jumped off  
We lost them  
They couldn't be unharmed  
from this height  
You still don't  
know them well  
Azumi  
Let go of my hand!  
Everyone died...  
Now it's just  
the two of us left  
We have to kill Sanada

and complete the mission  
You can't die a meaningless death  
in a place like this  
I'm going  
Azumi 2  
Death or Love  
Kanbei, why have you  
come such a long way?  
Lord Kato  
whom I served...  
...fell victim  
to assassins  
Their last target  
is you, Sir  
The only one who may wield  
the power of the Toyotomi...  
...is you, Sir  
I traveled this far...  
...to ask what  
you intend to do  
- My intentions...  
- Yes, Sir  
You want to  
know my intentions?  
When Kato fell  
right before your eyes...  
...what the hell  
did you do?  
This pain...  
...is Kato's price  
It is my  
suffering as well  
Endure the suffering  
Then you will naturally  
know my intentions  
If you do not...  
...explain your intentions  
to this lowly servant...  
How could he fathom  
the deeper meaning?  
I was driven out  
by the Tokugawa  
For 10 years since the  
attack at Kudo mountain...

...I have never lost in  
a battle against the Tokugawa!  
But... the war between  
the Tokugawa and the Toyotomi...  
...is not over  
The Toyotomi's defeat  
is imminent  
Wasn't it you  
who said...  
...that in a war with  
no chance for victory...  
...you couldn't let  
your followers die, Father?  
Even my son  
doubts my strength  
You are deluded  
by something, Father  
The Uenokogashu's ninja,  
Kunio  
The girl called  
the demon of war  
Young Master Yukimura  
is unsatisfied with us  
I just don't  
want a hopeless war  
What are your personal reasons  
for assisting Father?  
Watch your words,  
Yukimura!  
Kunio  
You're really something  
If those are truly  
your intentions...  
...then I will go  
right now to Osaka...  
...and consult the  
opinion of the Toyotomi  
Well then  
Nagara, are you all right?  
Ouch!  
Get a hold of yourself  
This is where Master  
waited for secret messengers  
If we wait,

someone will come for sure  
Good job, Azumi!  
Azumi  
Azumi  
Nachi  
Nachi, watch  
You're doing well  
You've really become strong  
Azumi  
There's something  
I really wanted to say  
I really like you  
The mission  
ahead of you...  
...will be  
infinitely brutal  
You must harden yourself  
with a steel resolve  
That is the  
path of an assassin  
The partner you  
are matched with...  
Azumi  
Kill him!  
I want to  
complete the mission  
Nachi  
Azumi  
This is  
our destiny  
Nachi...  
No!  
What's the matter?  
I'm hungry  
I'll go get something to eat  
You're invulnerable  
- Azumi  
- Yeah?  
Thanks  
Please give me  
something to eat  
- OK, here you go  
- Thank you  
Your change

Nobody move!  
D~don't misunderstand  
We're noble robbers  
who help others  
We work for the  
sake of the world  
If you want to do something good,  
you have to be alive first  
So let's all  
get along and share  
We need  
your help  
Give us  
all your money  
Don't hesitate  
Hurry up and fork it over  
Give it up  
You too  
I don't have any money to give  
to a bandit the likes of you  
Then why don't you  
leave your sword  
You won't have another occasion  
to use it anyway  
You insolent fool  
Put out your worries and  
just hand over your money  
Hurry up and fork it over  
- Where are you going?  
- Please move aside  
It's a girl  
with a lot of guts  
She's cute  
Such a pretty face  
- Ginkaku  
- Yeah?  
What are you doing?  
Ginkaku,  
take a look...  
Nachi?!  
What do you think? Pretty, right?  
Let's take her with us  
You agreed to work for  
the sake of the world

If we had a girl...  
...she couldn't become one of us  
W~well,  
how about an assistant?  
- Hey hey hey  
- Stop it  
Son of a bitch, the effect of  
your blood was awesome!  
Fooled them all in an instant  
Man, you really  
looked like a warrior  
K~Ginkaku  
Why did you drive away  
a hot girl like that?  
- That girl is strong  
- What?  
Clumsy awkward guys like us  
would take the fall  
- R~really?  
- Yeah  
Azumi, stop!  
They're on our side  
I am Hanjo of Iga  
We came because  
Lord Tenkai sent us  
I heard many  
rumors about you  
They were incredible  
Asano Nagamasa  
Kato Kiyamasa  
Thanks to you  
killing those two...  
We were able to  
avoid a blameless war  
You fulfilled your  
mission successfully  
That is sufficient  
There is still one man left  
Sanada Masayuki  
We are too inadequate  
to take Sanada down  
Pardon?  
He has hired  
a killer ninja squad

They're called  
the Uenokogashu  
They're a gruesome bunch that  
don't belong to any ninja school...  
...who make assassination  
their business  
We may even have to  
mobilize the army  
We're here so that  
we can avoid a war  
We will deal with  
Sanada Masayuki  
As our master commanded,  
we will complete the mission  
We will finish it for sure  
for the sake of our fallen comrades  
You will not  
come back alive  
Master commanded us to  
kill our own comrades  
For the sake of making me  
a cool-headed assassin...  
I killed my partner who was like  
a brother to me with my own hand  
I don't have any expectations  
of coming back alive  
Fine  
Complete the mission  
I want to go too  
Allow me to guide you through  
the lay of Kudo mountain  
Hanjo sent spies  
to Kudo mountain  
They're watching  
Sanada's every move  
The movements of Tenkai  
who regulates the Tokugawa...  
...from behind the scenes  
are suspicious  
The pigeons  
are crying out  
The assassins  
of the Tokugawa...  
...came to cut the head

off this old man  
You smell  
like blood  
Isn't it your  
favorite scent?  
When I was young...  
...this was  
my happiest moment  
And now?  
With this old body...  
...what craving  
could be left...  
...except to  
verify that I...  
...still have the strength to live  
The day those who make  
attempts at your life...  
...fall into the hands  
of our ninjas...  
We've come to a major road  
Gozue is  
really excited  
Let's go  
What are you doing?  
What's the matter?  
I met a guy who looked  
just like Nachi  
Nachi?  
He's a bandit who goes  
by the name Ginkaku  
Hey!  
You want a fight?  
What did you say?  
- Sorry!  
- You assholes  
How pathetic, running away  
If we catch you one more time  
you're dead  
You have all gathered below  
the banner of General Sanada  
You're a sad  
lonely lot...  
...who don't  
have homes...

...or family  
to lean on  
But there's  
no need to worry  
Starting today,  
you are servants of General Sanada  
Hold up the banner of  
General Sanada and follow him  
You will kill the assassins  
who seek the life...  
...of our ever vigilant Lord  
and fight the Tokugawa  
If you do that,  
then the Lord Sanada Masayuki...  
...will grant  
you a reward  
Wow~!  
Those who want to become  
a soldier for General Sanada...  
...come to this side  
Yeah!  
- K~Ginkaku  
- Ginkaku  
Pick out the  
skilled ones  
Yes, Sir!  
What do you think  
those assassins are like?  
You're really going to  
become a soldier for Sanada?  
I took the money  
All we have to do is  
kill the assassins, right?  
I don't like  
slicing people with swords  
Ginkaku will  
take care of it, right?  
Who's the guy who went on about  
how he killed 100 people?  
When did I?  
If you don't want to  
then we can just run away  
B~but you know,  
that girl from before...

If I keep thinking about her  
as I look at the stars...  
I'll meet her again, right?  
- Hey man  
- What?  
Want to meet her?  
I'm talking about that girl  
You're the one who really wants  
to meet her, right?  
Me?  
Maybe it's because of the war  
but the atmosphere is really dreary  
- Ginkaku  
- Nachi?!  
Are they the assassins who are trying  
to claim Sanada's life?  
There's no mistake  
What should we do?  
Hold on a moment  
Don't get in the way  
Attack!  
What are you doing?  
Didn't you hear me  
tell you to wait?  
I changed my mind  
These guys are the enemy  
Huh?  
All right!  
Do as your told  
Kill them!  
Traitor!  
You can't trust  
anything in this world  
Run  
Are you  
a demon?  
You bastard...  
Hey everybody,  
Big Brother's back!  
Ginkaku  
Have you all been well?  
These are children who lost  
their parents because of the war  
I brought

them here  
You've grown a lot  
This guy's gotten fat  
Don't cry  
Come over here  
You're good right? Don't cry  
Want to play with Big Brother?  
Let's play  
- Saburo  
- Yeah?  
- How about elder brother?  
- He died  
Ginkaku,  
who's this?  
These are my friends  
These gentle people  
are your friends?  
They may look like that  
but they're assassins  
They kill people  
without even blinking  
Is that true?  
With a pretty face like this,  
you commit murder?  
We kill the people  
who start the war  
The war  
won't go away  
As long as people are here,  
it will continue  
The people who get  
used as tools...  
...are the most foolish  
Are you saying  
that to us?  
Nagara  
Be patient  
You heard him just now  
This bastard didn't  
just insult us...  
...he insulted our  
fallen comrades as well  
I'm sorry if I was disagreeable  
Ginkaku

Give me the money you raised  
You didn't do  
anything bad, right?  
Chiyo, there's no  
good or bad with money  
If a good person spends it,  
then it's good money  
- Grandma Yone  
- What?  
Look at this  
There's so much  
You were up to no good again  
You won't die in peace  
If you are healthy  
and eat well...  
...and if the children grow up well,  
that's enough for me  
Chiyo, leave him be  
He'll sleep when he gets worn out  
Chiyo, I'll help  
That's fine  
Please just sleep  
and leave quickly  
Did we do  
something wrong?  
Assassins who kill people  
are abominable  
What's the use of  
cultivating love and devotion?  
It's obvious that we'll just  
fall victim to people like you  
We want to  
get rid of the war  
So there won't be  
children with no parents  
You chat well  
for a murderer  
What about the children  
of the people you killed?  
That's...  
Gozue, get up  
Azumi, let's go  
We live in a different world  
than these people

Nagara  
The enemy is at  
their base  
We're finally moving out  
If Lord Sanada  
attacks Tenkai...  
...then the feudal lords siding  
with the Toyotomi will be furious  
If we get wrapped up in  
a violent battle again...  
War would probably  
break out again  
While Young Master Yukimura  
is gone...  
...this is the time  
to make our move  
The Black Spider  
is getting amused  
The Black Spider  
will be the opponent...  
...of the assassins  
aiming for the Lord's life  
You are strong  
One of their spies  
is on our side  
Don't leave out a single person  
Annihilate everyone  
Show them clearly  
the strength of the Uenokogashu  
It's Sanada's soldiers  
Who are they?  
It must be a war  
Let's go  
Can I ask  
one question?  
Yeah?  
What's the secret  
to dodging arrows?  
What?  
Both of you have  
never been hit by an arrow  
Let the master of running  
teach you something  
Take an arrow

and stand here  
One two three...  
Eight up to here  
In my experience,  
it's eight steps  
If you have this much distance,  
you can dodge them  
Azumi  
only needs six  
All right, try shooting me  
From here?  
Shoot for real?  
Don't worry  
Just shoot me  
Wow! You're amazing  
Arrows are surprisingly slow  
If the distance is enough,  
you can dodge them  
- Let's go  
- Sure  
There's none left  
What you see over there  
is Kudo mountain  
That's where  
Sanada Masayuki is  
We've arrived at our destination  
Nagara...  
You like Azumi, right?  
What?!  
Has anything happened while the  
two of you have always been together?  
Azumi is just like  
a little sister to me  
You really don't have  
any feelings for her?  
Well, I like her  
Our fallen comrades  
liked Azumi too  
That's why I'm going to  
protect her in their stead  
It looks like she  
likes that Ginkaku guy  
Azumi's true intentions  
are probably...

...to disappear to somewhere  
far away with Ginkaku  
It can't be  
You saw it too,  
haven't you?  
Actually, that guy...  
...looks exactly  
like Nachi who died  
That Nachi guy...  
Did Azumi  
like him?  
Let's send Azumi  
to Ginkaku  
To us, the mission...  
If you really want  
to protect Azumi...  
...then let her get away  
from a dangerous mission  
Let's kill Sanada  
ourselves  
Ginkaku  
Sanada left  
Kudo mountain  
What?  
Now Kudo mountain  
is just an empty shell  
Scrap  
I'll have to verify  
with my own eyes  
Trust us  
Is the mission  
that important?  
You stay out of this  
Did someone say they'd recognize you  
for risking your life to fight?  
That's right  
In any case,  
the war won't go away  
That's right!  
More than that...  
...why don't we think about  
a way to live happily?  
Just like Chiyo  
What do you think about

living with the children?  
Let's do that, Azumi  
I want to do that but...  
I can't  
- Why? Why can't you?  
- Wait  
Come on everyone, persuade her  
Azumi,  
hold on!  
Azumi!  
There's no reason you can't  
Follow Ginkaku  
Why are you even doing this?  
Mission?  
Don't make me laugh  
Gozue and I are  
going on a vacation  
Listen up, I'm sick of  
following the mission  
I've endured it up to now  
but I finally understand  
In a vain ideal,  
we lost our comrades  
I felt the attacks of our enemies  
as we stood before them  
There wasn't a single day  
when my mind was at ease  
Do you really mean that?  
Of course I mean it  
You should live happily  
with Ginkaku too  
Forget about  
completing the mission  
Nagara, get a grip  
Why are you doing this?  
You get a grip!  
I'm finished living  
for the sake of the mission  
We're leaving  
Take care  
Please, I'm begging you  
Don't do this  
Ginkaku,  
take care of Azumi

And don't show up  
in front of me again  
Nagara, wait!  
He's right  
Look at us  
Though we don't have anything...  
...we live with  
freedom and happiness  
- Isn't that true?  
- Yup  
I...  
I'm different from you guys  
Everything I've seen,  
touched, and perceived  
So don't interfere  
We're not interfering!  
- Right?  
- That's right  
- Right?  
- That's right  
- Right?  
- That's right  
D~don't go  
What are you doing  
not trying to stop her?  
Don't go,  
Azumi!  
Live with us  
It's for the best  
If it's Ginkaku,  
you can relax  
Azumi will be  
happy now too  
If Ginkaku's words  
are right...  
...then Sanada has  
already left Kudo mountain  
After Azumi and the rest...  
...have gone away...  
...let's take this chance  
and hit Sanada  
Sure  
Let's chase Sanada  
I know

all the roads  
- Is this the right way?  
- There's no mistaking it  
We've been going in circles  
If we go a little more,  
there'll be a major road  
Then let's hurry  
Nagara  
What the hell is this?  
Did you say to shoot  
within eight steps?  
You taught me  
Gozue, you...  
We're on the same side  
I'm the spy the  
Uenokogashu sent  
I trained under ninja  
ever since I was young  
I built up trust...  
...and waited only  
for a day like this  
Burying Tenkai's gang...  
...is my first  
priority mission  
Mission?  
Don't be careless  
and try to pretend  
Dammit!  
This can't be happening  
Azumi  
Let Azumi...  
...live  
Azumi~!  
Of all times, why do people  
come to interfere now?  
Next time, I will definitely  
cut your throat  
I told you that  
Sanada isn't here  
He already left  
with his soldiers  
It can't be  
He isn't intending to  
attack Lord Tenkai, is he?

Their target is you,  
Lord Tenkai  
Are you saying that Sanada  
has left Kudo mountain?  
We have received word  
We do not have  
a moment to lose  
If we flee from here...  
...we have to  
abandon Azumi's party  
We don't have time to  
take care of our assassins  
I must protect you,  
Lord Tenkai  
- You're telling me to throw them away  
- Lord Tenkai  
Azumi is...  
It can't be helped  
I'll do what you say  
I was right, wasn't I?  
Sanada's henchmen are  
spread out everywhere  
There's a temple beyond  
that mountain over there  
We're completely trapped in  
It'll be hell from here on  
Hurry and go back you guys  
A~are you worrying  
about us right now?  
We've already come this far  
so let's go to the end  
I like it!  
Guys...  
Let's go crazy for once  
Kill anyone who comes close  
The blood's gonna break out  
Let's have a helluva fight  
Your mouths are lively  
so you can talk a lot  
I had a friend  
who was a lot like you  
Was that guy  
also an assassin?  
Yeah

He was a guy named Nachi  
Nachi...  
There are many people  
who look similar  
So what happened to him?  
He died  
I... killed him  
- What?  
- Let's go  
The ranks to the west  
are in position  
The ranks to the east  
are in position  
We have blockaded  
the road to their base  
Tenkai is a cornered rat  
They have no holes  
to run away  
Instead of wasting  
precious soldiers...  
...allow us handle this  
You must not lose him  
Yes, Sir!  
Stop  
You're one step behind  
Uenokogashu!  
Scatter!  
Lord Tenkai,  
please escape  
This way  
Sir Hanjo!  
Take care  
Azumi!  
Itkaku!  
You assholes!  
Boss!  
Die!  
Kijimaru!  
Move aside  
Everyone is dead  
Ginkaku  
Thanks for looking out for  
this dim-witted big brother  
Don't say that

Azumi...  
I feel good  
K~Ginkaku  
Bro!  
Open your eyes  
Boss~!  
- Mistress Kunio  
- Why are you coming now?  
We lost them  
What?!  
What happened?  
They're not average assassins  
Rokpa also has fallen  
Rokpa was beaten?  
The Matchless Rokpa?  
I can't believe it  
We must bring them  
into the spider web  
Are you saying we should lure them?  
If they get caught in a web  
loaded with poison  
Their bodies will become  
paralyzed and they won't budge  
The slightest mistake and  
you'll be in the same situation  
Mistress Kunio,  
please throw the bait  
These are the only  
soldiers who survived  
This is too horrible  
They all died trying  
to protect you  
You know that?!  
- Ginkaku  
- It's OK  
You're right  
Gozue  
Where's Nagara?  
While fighting enemies  
to protect me...  
...we got split up  
He'll be all right  
He was the most agile  
of all of us

Surely...

- Why are you looking at me like that?

- I just...

It's nothing

There is a shortcut to the

Tokugawa temple grounds

I'll guide you

Lord Tenkai,

please wait here for a moment

Mission...

The mission...

It was a mistake!

We're surrounded by enemies

What did you say?

You bitch!

Gozue

Nagara...

Where's Nagara?

The mission...

I asked you

Where's Nagara?

I killed him

What did you say?

To the end, he only pleaded

that I let you live

Of course that's a

promise I can't keep

Lies

I couldn't should you from here,

could I?

Gozue

Tell me that's a lie

That's...

...the mission I was given

Nagara is dead

To think he'd fall

to someone like you

Don't follow me!

I'll deal with Sanada

Are you Azumi?

I sent Gozue to hell already

What?

I also lost my only companion

I'll tear you to shreds!

I'll repay you...  
...for the words you just spoke  
Gotcha  
Has the poison spread?  
You...  
How dare you...  
Rokpa and Gozue weren't enough  
So even the Black Spider?  
You've dried up the seeds  
of the Uenokogashu  
You insolent bitch!  
What a man is...  
What life is...  
Even what the world is...  
You're an inexperienced girl who knows none of these  
I can't forgive you  
Has the poison spread?  
This is the end  
Drop into hell for me  
Prepare yourself!  
General...  
Lord Sanada...  
Azumi  
Are you all right?  
Azumi  
Get a hold of yourself  
Azumi  
Is the mission  
that important?  
I'm going to  
complete the mission  
There are many people  
who look similar  
Isn't that true?  
Nachi  
The mission...  
Nachi  
Nachi  
I...  
- You know who I am, don't you?  
- Nachi...  
Nachi  
It's OK  
The poison only

spread a little  
You have to live  
Azumi...  
You can't die  
- Kunio  
- General  
Mistress Kunio!  
General  
I couldn't kill the assassin  
What do you mean?  
How did you  
get these wounds?  
Your dreams of war...  
...cannot end here  
Everything was for your sake  
I only wanted to see you smile  
General  
Kunio  
Kunio!  
Ginkaku?  
Ginkaku  
Wake up  
Ginkaku!  
Why did you...  
Instead of me...  
Why did you die  
in place of me?  
Why dammit, why?!  
The people I love around me...  
Why do they all die?  
Listen up  
This is an all out attack on Tenkai  
Move out!  
And the prey comes  
walking up to our feet  
Get her!  
Prepare to fire!  
Call off the attack  
General!  
You must not!  
Get out of my way  
To think such a young girl  
is an assassin  
What reason do you have

for seeking my life  
It is to get rid of the war  
Nonsense!  
Yukimura  
Father!  
Gather up the troops  
Not only the Toyotomi...  
...but now no one  
is on our side  
This is not your place  
to interfere!  
Go back to Kudo mountain  
There is no hope in  
taking action like this  
These are all the consequences  
of my actions  
You be quiet  
Priest Tenkai  
General Sanada  
Do you intend to face  
all of these soldiers  
My defeat is imminent anyway  
If we are to die here...  
...the Tokugawa will not sit tight  
If I let you live  
the result will be the same  
It is time to make a decisive decision  
That despicable girl...  
...took away what I treasured most  
Leave that young assassin and go  
Then I, Sanada Masayuki,  
will return to Kudo mountain  
I will not resist  
the Tokugawa again  
H~hold on  
You want us to leave Azumi?  
No way  
No way...  
I am an assassin  
I am always prepared to die  
All of my comrades...  
...died feeling the same  
If you believe a  
world of peace will come...

Even if we were just used...  
Even if that's the case...  
Today will be the end of everything  
If I eliminate Sanada  
You will be hated  
I willingly comply  
- General  
- Stop!  
- No one interfere  
- Father  
Even if you don't interfere  
this is enough  
I brought this all  
upon myself  
I will get revenge for Kunio  
Prepare yourself  
Father~!  
Don't shoot  
Lower your guns  
Stand back  
You wench...  
Kanbei  
Sheathe your sword  
She killed every one  
of our most skilled warriors  
And she cut the  
sprouts of the Toyotomi  
This was my father's  
last wish  
I want to protect what  
little honor remains  
Nobody interfere  
I must get revenge  
for Lord Kato  
How could I not  
know your rage?  
However, the promise of a warrior...  
...must be kept even  
at the risk of life  
Do you think the war  
has really ended?  
The mission is over  
Our affiliation is only  
up to here as well

Where are you saying  
you must go now?  
Facing what...