YAAAAAawn!!

MORNING! Nettle!

MMm... oh hi snatch.

Sleep in tree again at night?

People bed is very nice...

Haha!

What a thing to say, snatch! You’re practically domesticated!

Yes? What means this word “domesticated”?

...heh, I’m a nature power, I can’t be close to nature if I’m stuck inside in a people bed...

...though it would be more comfortable...

Hmm?

Anyway! What? We’ve got a class soon, right? Let’s go!

...and it’s probably not as bad as keeping close company with monsters...

We eat breakfast first, yes?

...let’s go eat breakfast! Then class!
GOOD MORNING KIDS! GLAD YOU FOUND OUR OUTDOOR CLASSROOM FOR TODAY! ARE YOU READY FOR CLASS?

UH... WHY SO MANY OF YER?

HAHA, YOU NOTICED?

TODAY, WE'RE GOING TO—

TODAY WE'RE HAVING AN EXAM!!

HAHA! THOSE ARE THE EXCITED FACES I LIKE TO SEE!

MWAHAHAHA!

IT MEANS YOU'D ALL BETTER BE READY FOR THE MOST INSANELY DIFFICULT TEST EVER CONCOCTED! YOUR GRADES ARE ON THE LINE!

PST—NETTLE! WHAT MEANS "EXAM"?

YOU'RE HAVING WAY TOO MUCH FUN WITH THIS.
WHAT TYPE OF TEST IS IT THAT IT NEEDS ALL OF YOU HERE...?

OH HO! I'LL TELL YOU, KIDS!

NO, I'LL TELL YOU. IT'S TECHNICALLY JUST FOR MONSTER CLASS. THESE TWO ARE HELPING ME GRADE.

AWW TAIPE, YOU'RE NO FUN.

BUT, THIS TEST MAY BE HARD.

IT WILL TEST YOUR LEARNINGS FROM MONSTER CLASS.

AND FIGHTING CLASS.

...OR MAGIC CLASS.

SO THAT'S WHY THERE'S ALL THREE OF US, HEHEH.

AS FOR THE TEST...

YOU READY?! IT'S GONNA BE A TOUGH ONE!

TA-DAH!
What's the deal with these lil' guys? Hehe, they're kinda cute. They dun look so-

Yikes!

Ah! Ye bit me!

Hm... Claw hasn't been paying enough attention in class...

You're markin' me now?!

Reaction to the test is part of the test.

What is the test? You haven't been very clear...

Oh, well, hmm... It's not that dissimilar to the entrance exam, if you all can remember that far back, heheh.

We're going to release these little monsters. They'll head into the woods back there, and it's up to you to each defeat one.

There's no teaming up this time, though.

Mm, that doesn't sound too bad...

Yeah, well, don't forget you guys almost all failed last time.
Well I pass' last time!

Yeah, nnnnot looking so good this time...

Heh, the only reason anybody passed was because of me. I should be fine!

Let's see, shall we?

Yes, if we're all ready then we'll start the exam! You may all choose a monster and go for it after we count to three once they're released!

Remember, your grades are on the line! No stress!

Three...

Two...

One...

Go!

H-huh?
Nettle defeated all the monsters... just like that...? Er, unexpected...

Heheh, that went well! I haven't used proper nature magic in a little while.

No, that went poorly.

There was meant to be one monster for each of you, Nettle. Was that not clear?

This will result in a low mark for you, sorry to say.

Ha ha no way that was fantastic!

U-um... not really?

Nettle swore those suckers but good! I say, A+! A++!

Right... we'll have to redo this test tomorrow. Nettle? You're not invited. You can have free study time.

Nice one, Nets! Ya got us ou'ta th' surprise exam!
HEH, YOU DIDN'T KNOW NATURE POWERS CAN DO THAT?

NOT ALL OF US FOUGHT WITH NATURE POWERS WAY BACK IN HISTORY - OR... FOUGHT ALONGSIDE THEM? WHAT WAS THAT, ANYWAY? I SWEAR NO TWO HISTORY BOOKS MATCH ABOUT THAT STUFF.

HM, WHAT? OH THAT WAS SO LONG AGO, IT DOESN'T EVEN MATTER. ANYWAY, HERE WE ARE!

OH, IT'S ROSELLA-FEATHERS. HIYA! BACK AGAIN ALREADY?

HELLO, OFF-WORLDER! I NEED 8 MORE MONSTERS. MAKE 'EM THE CHEAP ONES, AND CAN WE GET A BULK DISCOUNT?

SURE THING!

HERE YOU ARE! HOW DID THE LAST ONES DO?

UHH YES, VERY WELL, YES, THANK YOU, GOOD DAY!

HEH, BUNCH OF WEIRDOS UP AT THAT SCHOOL.
Okay!! It's end-of-volume bonus time!!! Yaaaay!!

Heheh.

Flush

SO... Maybe we should cover something relevant this time?

Oh! I know!

How about the canon-infinity of guest comics?? That could be fun, right???

Well, it's just one page, so even if it's not fun that's fine.

If it seems like it would make sense canon, then it's probably canon! Yes, that is a fine rule.

Although...

If I'm saying this in a guest strip, that calls the canon of what I'm saying into question...

I guess it doesn't matter.