

Nikko shoved Hiro on the arm. This was enough to snap him out of his trance. He pulled the trigger and fired three bullets into the man's chest.

The man collapsed. The black creature crawled out of his mouth. It had a long, winding body lined with legs, like a huge centipede. Below its deep, black eyes were a row of white, almost human teeth.

Another creature burst out of the bullet wound in the man's chest. A smaller one burrowed out of his left calf, cutting its way free with its sharp claws.

The three creatures scuttled across the floor towards them.

"Run!" shouted Nikko.

He grabbed Mei's wrist and dragged her down the corridor.

