



NONE CAN TELL THE
FUTURE. BUT IF DISASTER
STRIKES, TAKE THEM TO
SAFETY. RETURN THEM
WHEN IT'S OVER.

IF SOMEONE
TRIES TO TAKE
THEM, YOU TAKE
THEM FIRST.


GIVE
THEM TO
NO ONE.

YES...?







HERE—
THIS RICE
WILL LAST
TEN DAYS.



TOMORROW'S THE
HIE SANNŌ-SHA FESTIVAL.
IT'S THE GREATEST OF ALL
OBSERVED BY THE *SHŌGUN*
FAMILY. THE PARADE ENTERS
EDO CASTLE.




I WILL
GO IN WITH
THEM.



I NEED TO FIND
YAGYŪ RETSUDŌ. IF
HE'S ALIVE, I'LL
BRING HIM OUT.



SEVEN DAYS
SINCE OUR
PLEDGE.



SEVEN DAYS
SINCE HE SAID
HE'D HONOR IT
IN DEATH.

IT WAS
WARRIOR ETIQUETTE
TO TELL US, AND WE COULD
SIMPLY SIT AND WAIT. YET ONE
HONOR DEMANDS ANOTHER,
EVEN IF HE IS OUR
MORTAL ENEMY.

