

HAGAKURE

The background of the cover features a close-up of a samurai's eye, looking intensely forward. The eye is framed by dark, shadowed areas, possibly representing a mask or the samurai's face. A katana hilt is visible, with a red cord tied around it. The hilt has a yellowish-gold section and a dark purple section. A bright, four-pointed starburst light emanates from the center of the hilt. The overall color palette is dark, with red, yellow, and purple as primary accents.

THE CODE OF THE SAMURAI

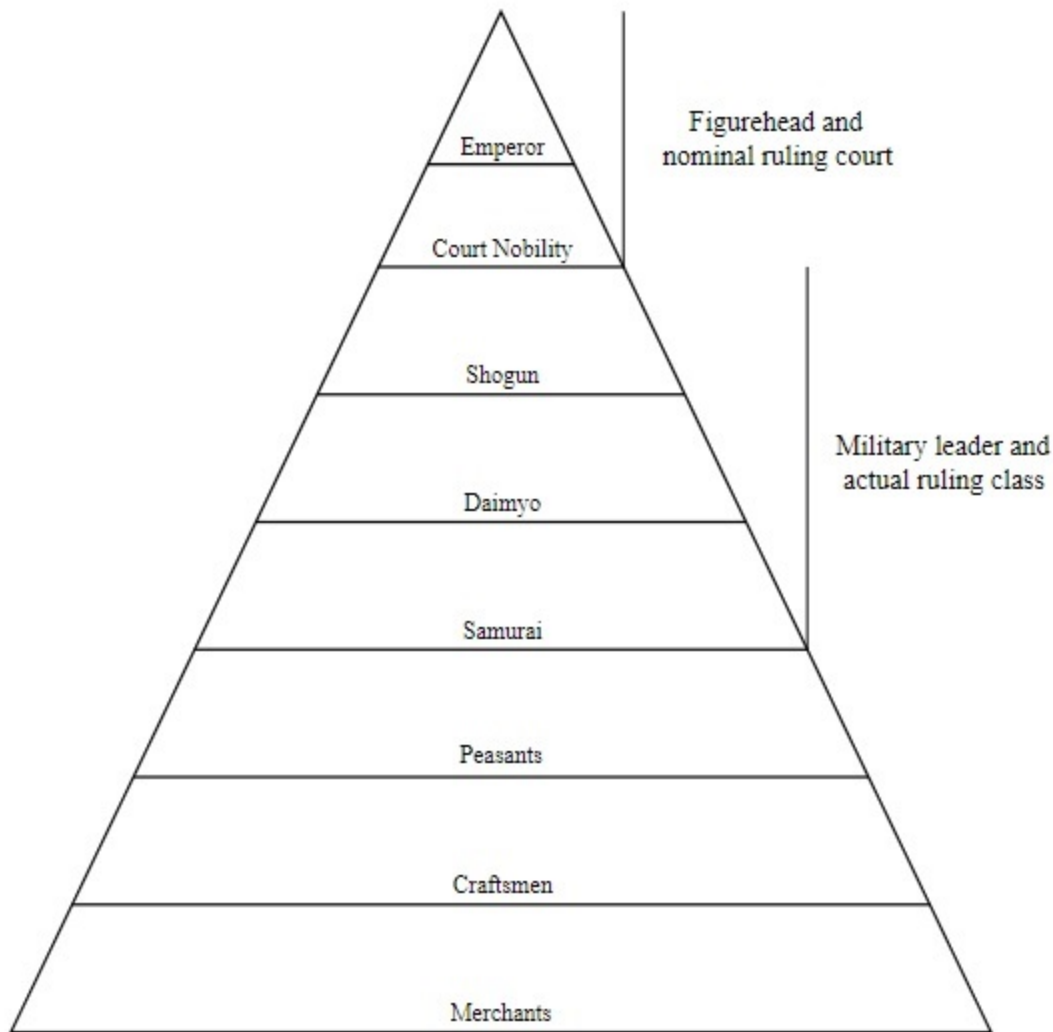
THE MANGA EDITION

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特攻勇士之像

當世並勇傳

高崎佐一郎

常陸の國の浪人として大坂
生玉辺に居りしが幕吏
の手に取用され荒陵山にて
自殺して其名を四方に
残さんとして今元三大師の
傍に碑名を建らしむる



花陽梅園員画















YAMAMOTO KICHIZAEMON
WAS ORDERED BY HIS FATHER
JIN'EMON TO CUT DOWN A
DOG AT THE AGE OF FIVE.



AT THE AGE OF
FIFTEEN, HE WAS FORCED
TO EXECUTE A CRIMINAL.



EVERYONE, BY THE TIME
THEY WERE FOURTEEN
OR FIFTEEN, WAS ORDERED
TO DO A BEHEADING
WITHOUT FAIL.



WHEN LORD KATSUSHIBE WAS YOUNG,
HE WAS ORDERED BY LORD NAOSHIBE
TO PRACTICE KILLING WITH A SWORD.
IT IS SAID THAT AT THE TIME HE WAS
TO CUT DOWN...





誠忠義心傳

斧寺重内秀和ハ武道名譽のまゝ
和歌の道も心をよせて風流を弄ひ
秀和を多く詠けしは一時其名を
施しけり妻女ハ京師の人を頗る
容色あり是又數島の道を好む夫婦
和樂し文字を弄み良人をまゝ羨けり従来京師の
邸不住けれハ赤尾離散の后も町宅に都ふあり秀和
關東へ奔足の折ハ亡君の墓参と披露ありカ弥を伴ひ
旅の調度あどとの江州勢田へ送來一人を返せし妻女の許へ
思ひ出さる相の山の松の色別より時の袖ぞよもアト
と書て送りけれ其右京師より關東へ赴く人ハ
夫の方へあはるく一首の歌を送り
筆の初アア不候の時るきてよもアト
よのまあると返事ありて重内その
人ハ言傳けり尋ハ

斧寺重内妻

是ぞ一世の別をて終ふ箇とありあけり
斯て後夫秀和嫡子秀留本望を遂げ年切腹せりと聞
本國寺ハ石碑を營菩提を弔ひ今ハ此世ハ思ひ残を更あじと
墓小詣一首の歌を手向自害しと果けるとぞ
現とも思ふぬうち小笠原をてめある法の花ふのりあん
戒名赤心院妙薰日性信女今ハ京師本國寺ハ墓碑あり
世ハ武士の妻たるものハ斯ぞあはるべき更ありけり



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應需 一筆斧誌





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