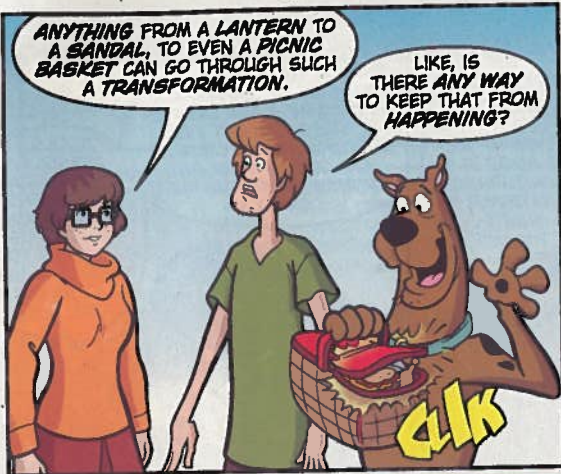


TSUKUMOGAMI CAN COME IN ALL FORMS. SOME OF THE MOST POPULAR ARE...

KAMEOSA, A CRACK-FACED SAKE JAR, WHO IS OFTEN HELPFUL, SUPPLYING ENDLESS AMOUNTS OF RICE WINE, WATER, OR OTHER LIQUIDS.

WANIGUCHI, A TOOTH-EDGED METAL GONG WHO BECOMES A CROCODILE-LIKE BEAST.

KARAKASAOBAKE, A GOOFY-LOOKING PAPER UMBRELLA MONSTER WITH ONE EYE, ONE LEG, AND A REALLY LONG TONGUE.



ANYTHING FROM A LANTERN TO A SANDAL, TO EVEN A PICNIC BASKET CAN GO THROUGH SUCH A TRANSFORMATION.

LIKE, IS THERE ANY WAY TO KEEP THAT FROM HAPPENING?



AT THE END OF EVERY LUNAR YEAR, JAPAN HOLDS A TYPE OF SPRING CLEANING, CALLED SUSUHARAI, OR "SCOT SWEEPING," TO BRUSH AWAY BAD VIBES FROM THEIR HOUSEHOLD OBJECTS, AND KEEP THEM FRIENDLY.

SWEEP SWEEP SWEEP



NOW LET'S SEE IF WE CAN SWEET-TALK THIS PICNIC BASKET INTO...



IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR PICNIC BASKET HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED FROM BEING FULL TO BEING EMPTY.



AND, LIKE, I'M TRANSFORMING THIS BROOM INTO A VENGEFUL HOUSEHOLD UTENSIL!

REE-REE-REE!

THE END