

# Episode 12

## TL;DR

Yuki offers herself to Maria to save Zero, and Maria switches to her original body of Shizuka Hio. Shizuka tells Yuki that giving Zero her blood will save him. Shizuka demands Yuki's blood for power, but Zero intervenes before she can bite Yuki. Yuki blocks him, explaining Shizuka can prevent Zero from becoming a Level E vampire. Shizuka orders Zero to hold Yuki still and drinks his blood. Before she can bite Yuki, Zero shoots himself and Shizuka. Ichiru stabs Zero and insists to Shizuka that they leave before being pursued. Cross talks to Yagari about vampires, and Aido is confronted by Akatsuki at Maria's dorm. Ichiru reveals he has gained power from drinking Shizuka's blood, and the brothers fight. Meanwhile, Kaname kills Shizuka, who warns him that drinking another pureblood's blood will give him new power but an ominous future. Aido overhears and realizes Kaname has killed Shizuka. Ichiru finds Shizuka dying on the floor.

## Recap

Yuki offers herself to Maria in exchange for saving Zero, and Maria shows her original body before switching back into Shizuka Hio. Shizuka tells Yuki that to save Zero, she only needs to give him her blood. Meanwhile, at the ball, the Night Class socializes, with Ichijo questioning Akatsuki about the transfer student, but Akatsuki insists on speaking with Kaname first. Akatsuki finds Ruka on the terrace, but she refuses to dance with him and only desires to dance with Kaname. Meanwhile, Shizuka asks for Yuki's blood, claiming she needs more power due to being pursued. Before she can bite Yuki, Zero steps in, pointing his gun at Shizuka. Yuki blocks him, explaining that Shizuka can help prevent Zero from becoming a Level E vampire. Shizuka reveals that, as his master and vampire parent, her voice can control Zero. She orders Zero to hold Yuki still, and he unwillingly complies. As Shizuka drinks Zero's blood, Yuki asks why she continues to make him suffer, to which Shizuka counters that Yuki has also made Zero suffer by offering herself. Just before Shizuka can drink Yuki's blood, Zero shoots himself in the leg to break free before shooting Shizuka. Ichiru stabs Zero in the arm and tells Shizuka that they should leave before their pursuers catch up to them. Zero introduces Ichiru to Yuki. Meanwhile, Yagari asks Cross about his feelings, to which Cross replies that vampires are the only ones allowed in their territory and that Kaname would handle things. However, Cross clarifies that he does not view Yuki and Zero as vampires. Aido arrives at Maria's dorm and is confronted by Akatsuki, who urges him to stop, knowing Kaname has a plan, but Aido insists on taking action. Ichiru tells Zero that he has drunk Shizuka's blood and is now empowered. Both prepare to fight, but Yuki intervenes. Ichiru threatens to kill Yuki if she continues to stop them, and Zero points his gun at Ichiru. Zero realizes that Ichiru has never been bitten by Shizuka and is still human, which angers Ichiru further. Meanwhile, Shizuka, bloodied and weakened, meets Kaname, who explains that anti-vampire weapons can slow down a pureblood's healing. Shizuka questions Kaname's purpose at Cross Academy, and he reveals that he's here to repay a debt and gather his pawns all for the sake of one person similar to her. Kaname stabs Shizuka through the chest, drinking her blood and vowing to destroy the one who twisted the fates

of purebloods. Shizuka warns him that by drinking another pureblood's blood, he has gained new powers, but also an ominous future. Aido overhears and realizes Kaname has killed Shizuka. Ichiru, sensing something is wrong, runs to find Shizuka, followed by Zero. Ichiru arrives to find Shizuka dying on the floor.

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