

Naruto: The Wind Calamity

Chapter 6: Hokage's speech and New home

On seeing the 3rd Hokage, everyone got respectful and serious. Most kids were surprised that he came to meet them. He looked at the kids and smiled gently.

He began his speech, "Congratulations to all of you for passing the entrance exams." And took a pause. All the kids were very happy and excited to finally enter the ninja academy. The surrounding chuunins asked for silence to be maintained and let Lord Hokage speak. Fujin however thought, 'Here it is, I guess I'll finally experience his legendary skill of influencing young kids. In my previous life, everyone talked about Naruto's talk no jutsu. But no one ever talked about how Hiruzen influenced Naruto to work hard and risk his life to protect the very people who made his life miserable!'

The 3rd continued, "Now that you have entered the academy, we'll teach you the ways of a Konoha Shinobi. We'll ensure that you guys become full fledged Shinobi of the Hidden Leaf village. This academy was created by Lord 2nd Hokage. He himself taught a lot of students in the academy, including me. I still remember the fun and battles we had in the academy. The ninjas who pass out of the academy all ensure that our village stays safe and peaceful. They ensure that you stay protected. And soon it'll be up to you to carry forward that will. The Will of Fire as Lord 1st Hokage used to say. Now you will be the ones who will carry the will of fire in you. Love your village and ensure that your will of fire preserves peace and prosperity. Carry on the will of fire in you brighter than anyone else. And let every other village know that the will of fire still burns brighter than anything else. Have a mind that will not yield, able to endure hard training and work. And, be healthy in mind and body. And with that, I welcome you future ninjas to our academy."

As soon as the speech ended, the excitement that was bubbling within the kids finally popped and all started celebrating. The day was finally called off and everyone started to return home.

After reuniting with his fellow orphans, Fujin found out that only 4 kids passed. Even Eichi failed. Only Fujin, Daisuke, Tatsuya and Naomi passed. Momonosuke comforted the ones who failed, mentioning all the other things they could do when they grow up. And all of us returned to the orphanage.

There were still 3 days for the academy to open, however those days were busy for Fujin and the other orphans who passed. The orphans who passed the entrance exam, would no longer live in the orphanage. They were provided with a small apartment in the residential areas which would be rent free until they became a ninja, and would also be provided with a small stipend to support themselves. Fujin thought, 'Oh, I didn't know about this. I knew Naruto lived alone later on, but I thought he might have been given special treatment due to his circumstances. I do wonder what the aim is by asking us to live alone. I guess the main advantage I can see is that this way we would be better prepared if we had to go on a solo mission outside the village.'

After packing up what little clothes he had, he got out of the orphanage and looked back at it. He saw that Daisuke was very sad and even crying as he and Eichi won't be together any longer. Fujin thought, 'Well it's not really like I developed much relationship with anyone here. Naruto isn't in this orphanage, so there's not really much point in staying here anyways.'

All 4 orphans were accompanied by the Orphanage caretaker to their new apartments. After dropping the other 3 off, Fujin was the last one to reach his apartment. He thought, 'So this'll be my new home for the next few years.'

The apartment was properly cleaned and very neat. While the rooms were small, they were more than enough for him. It had a small living room, a bedroom, a very compact kitchen and washroom. There weren't many gadgets in the home apart from a fridge, cooking stove and other stuff needed for cooking. There was also a sofa in the living room and a bed and an alarm clock in the bedroom. He also saw a first-aid kit.

He thought, 'Oh well, this is pretty neat. The bed's better than the one at the orphanage. Also here I should have much better privacy. So I can use the whole day to train in some way or other. I do wonder what food will be available here. They did say that someone would come here around noon and deliver the food for today as well as the stipend. Anyways finally getting access to money will be convenient. I ran out of water balloons a month back, so Rasengan training has been on a hold. I need to buy them. Also, I should definitely try Ichiraku ramen. Like heck anyone who watched Naruto wouldn't wanna try it! I also need to fill up the fridge. We won't be provided with breakfast from now on. So I should at least buy some eggs, bread and milk.'

Ending his train of thoughts, Fujin set up an alarm for 11:30am and began practicing Leaf concentration.

At 12:15pm, there was a knock on the door. Fujin opened the door to see an academy teacher who was monitoring the exam yesterday. He introduced himself as Adachi Genki and said that he'll be Fujin's class teacher for this year. He asked about whether Fujin was comfortable here and if there were any issues. On confirming that everything was alright, he said "That's very good to hear. I saw your performance yesterday, you did very good. Keep it up." Fujin replied, "Thanks"

After that he provided Fujin with his stipend and then provided him with a few ration bars. Fujin looked at those bars and asked, "What's this sensei?" Genki smiled and replied, "These are ration bars, you'll consume one for lunch and dinner. There is enough here for a week. From here on though, you'll have to collect the ration bars yourself from the Academy on every Sunday." Fujin looked plainly at his sensei as if to say, 'Really? Freaking ration bars?'

Genki saw the look and said dismissively, "Don't look down on them kid. That's the food of ninjas! They were created after doing a lot of research. Even the legendary Sannins, Tsunade and Orochimaru, worked on this. They provide a ninja with proper nutrition. So take pride that you are eating food specially made for ninjas."

Fujin saw his sensei explaining to him like he would explain to any small kid. In order to not make his sensei suspicious, he acted as a kid, first showing confusion and then being a bit prideful that he's eating food made for ninjas!

Genki smiled, and took his leave. On his departure, Fujin sighed. He wondered, 'Which moron is responsible for providing food to orphans? Seriously? A ration bar? No wonder all Naruto ate was ramen. Oh well whatever, it should provide the necessary nutrients and is easy to preserve for a long time. And I definitely need to learn some cooking. No way in hell am I eating ration bars for years!!'

He then counted the stipend given to him. There was 1000 ryo provided to him. He thought, 'Well I know that ryo is the currency here, but I don't know whether this is a lot or not. I just kept training and didn't even ever go to the shopping area near the orphanage. I really need to go out and understand the prices here. I also need to find out the costs of shurikens, Kunai, Senbon, swords, explosion tags, scrolls and other important stuff. Though I suppose there's no need to worry about that just yet. The most immediate thing to buy would be chakra paper!'

He ate a ration bar. While it didn't taste bad, it didn't taste good either. He noted that orphanage food definitely tasted better. After that he left his apartment, locked his door and went out. After asking for a bit, he found the marketplace. There he went around checking the price of various stuff. He found out that 1 dozen eggs cost 24 ryo, 1 litre milk cost 9 ryo, and a packet of bread slices cost 5 ryo. 1kg meat cost 60 ryo. Various vegetables and fruits cost in the range of 10-20 ryo. He thought, 'I see, the 1000 ryo are more than sufficient if used just for this stuff.'

He looked around and also found a weapon shop. A set of 6 shurikens cost 2000 ryo, whereas Kunai cost 1000 ryo each. A set of 6 senbon cost 1000 ryo, and swords were much more expensive, its price varying depending on the quality. He thought, 'These are expensive. I'd have to save for a long time to afford these!'

After that, he asked the shopkeeper whether they had chakra papers. The Shopkeeper nodded and Fujin bought one for 100 Ryo.

Finally ending his short trip, he bought a dozen eggs, 1 pack of bread slices, 1 litre milk, a few fruits, 12 water balloons, 3 rubber balls, items for daily use like soap, toothbrush and paste and so on. Excluding the cost of the chakra paper, he spent around 80 ryo on that journey. And he wouldn't have to worry about breakfast for the next few days.

On reaching home, he channeled his chakra through the chakra paper. The chakra paper split right through the middle. He sighed, 'It ain't lightning. Well whatever, Wind is pretty good too! Also I've already started training in it.'

Next day, the training continued, but in the evening, after asking a few strangers, he finally reached Ichiraku ramen. Teuchi became the 2nd canon character Fujin saw. He ordered Miso ramen, which cost 45 ryo. After eating it, he thought 'Wow, it tasted delicious! Still though, 45 ryo is pretty expensive for me currently. I won't be able to visit here frequently.'

Satisfied with the food, he returned back to his home.

Chapter 7: Academy starts

Today was the day the academy finally started. Fujin woke at 5 am, freshened up, and went through his morning workout. After completing it and having a bath, he ran to the academy.

The academy started at 8 am. He was assigned to class 4A, on the fourth floor. On entering the class, he saw that quite a few had already arrived. There were over 25 students already in there. He entered and sat on one of the unoccupied benches. He noticed that most of the people in here were from the ninja clans. They wore the crest of their clan on their backs.

Fujin wondered, 'This classroom ain't big, at most 40 would fit in. Does that mean there are over 10 divisions in my year?'

At 8, Adachi Genki sensei arrived. He first distributed identity cards to everyone. He then introduced himself. On arriving he introduced himself, "Welcome to the academy. I'm Adachi Genki and I'll be your class teacher for this year. How about we get to know each other first. I'll tell you guys more about myself. I'm a chuunin of Konoha and fought in the previous great ninja war. My hobby is to watch drama and I like to teach young kids like yourself, how about you guys start to introduce yourself."

And with that all the kids started to introduce themselves. The ones from clans telling their clan with pride. Fujin took the opportunity to understand the composition of his class.

The class had 30 kids. Apparently there were 2 Uchiha, 3 Hyuga, 2 each from Nara, Yamanaka and Akimichi, 3 Inuzuka, 1 Aburame, 1 each from Sarutobi, Shimura, Kato and Hatake clans and surprisingly 3 from Senju and 2 from Kurama clan. Other 6, including Fujin, were normal civilians.

After the students were done talking about themselves, Genki started talking again. He said, "Alright, first I'll explain to you about your position. This year 430 students passed the entrance exam. However you 30 are the ones who have scored the highest. That's why everyone has very high expectations of each of you guys. All of you have to strive to become very good and strong shinobi. That's why an elite like me is assigned to your class. In addition, other teachers too would assist you when required. You will also be provided access to the academy library's E and D section. Also, there will be special tests conducted for you guys every 6 months, which will be monitored by Lord Hokage himself! So work as hard as you can."

Everyone was filled with pride after this speech. And also became a lot more attentive. Fujin thought, "Lucky me. This seems like an elite classroom. I guess I can have any queries resolved quickly. Also those 2 sections in the library, I guess they should be sections having rank E and rank D jutsus. I wonder if there are sections with higher ranked jutsus, and whether I can sneak in. Well I should give it a proper tour soon."

Since this was the first day, Genki gave them a tour of the academy. They were shown all the classrooms, the library, training grounds, canteen area. In training grounds, various areas were shown like running track, obstacle race track, shooting area, balancing area which had a lot of poles and so on. There was also a small pond at the far end of the training grounds.

After the tour was over, they went back to the class. Genki explained to them what all they'll be learning this year. It seemed to mostly be basics. They were supposed to be taught about chakra, hand signs, chakra control, Taijutsu, theory of Genjutsu, shuriken throwing along with normal stuff like Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Language, History, Geography and Civics. After that, the class was dismissed for the day.

After the class was dismissed, Fujin left quickly and headed towards the library. However, on the way to the library, he ran into Daisuke and Tatsuya. Daisuke called out to him, "Hey Fujin"

Fujin turned around to see him, he said, "Hey, how are you doing? How was the class?" Daisuke replied, "It was fun, we took a trip of the whole academy." Fujin replied, "Yeah, so did we. By the way, how many students are there in your class?"

Daisuke replied, "Oh? There are a hundred, ain't that the case in every class?" Tatsuya joined in the conversation saying, "Yup, it is the same in my class."

Fujin said, "I see. No, in mine there are only 30 students." Daisuke said, "Huh, why's that?" Not wanting to make him feel bad or having to answer more questions, Fujin said that he wasn't sure. After that Daisuke asked whether Fujin wanted to go home with them. Fujin excused himself saying he had some work.

Separating himself from them, Fujin started to go to the library again. On route he grabbed a ration bar and ate it while thinking, 'I see. So my class has just 30 students, whereas others have a hundred each. So in all there are 5

divisions. If I were to guess and looking at what all Genki said today, our class is probably being trained in the hopes that everyone either becomes a Jounin or at least an elite chuunin. Whereas for others, the main target seems to be to boost the genin reserve and if lucky have a few chuunins and jounins from there.'

On entering the library, he showed his card to the librarian, and asked for directions. After getting the info, he understood that the library is divided into 7 sections. It had a general section having non-ninja related information, section 0 where there was basic information related to ninjas, and sections E, D, C, B and A. Sections A, B and C were restricted for me right now.

Fujin thought, 'I see, makes sense. There isn't any S section, but that's understandable that they won't put that high level jutsus out in the open. To be honest, I'm surprised that there is section A. Anyways, let's go explore it.'

Fujin skipped the general section and started from section 0. He skimmed through the titles of various scrolls to get an idea regarding what was here. He found a lot of basic but important stuff. Information related to chakra theories, chakra control, manipulation, nature manipulation, Fuinjutsu, Genjutsu, Taijutsu were all mentioned here. So was a lot of historical information.

He then went on to the sections E and D. There most of the scrolls were just rank E and rank D jutsus. He thought, 'Wow, I didn't expect this! There are literally hundreds of different jutsu scrolls here. A lot of wind style jutsus are available too. And section E has a scroll called 'Introduction to Fuinjutsu', whereas section D has a better book on the same. This would be very helpful.'

It took him more than a couple of hours to just skim through the titles of various scrolls. After that, he went back to section 0, grabbed a scroll named 'Introduction to hand signs'. And went to an isolated corner and sat there. There were very few people in the library, so there wasn't anyone to disturb him.

Fujin thought to himself, 'Alright, I have seen through the majority of the stuff, now that I finally have some resources, I need to do some planning as to what I should do at least for the next couple of years.'

Chapter 8: Plans

In a corner of the library, a small kid was staring at a scroll he had opened in front of him. However, unknown to anyone who watched him, his mind was working on something else entirely.

Fujin thought, 'Alright, let's first start with what I can do right now. My chakra control is pretty decent thanks to daily leaf concentration exercise. I should attempt something along the lines of tree climbing soon.

My chakra reserve also has been developing consistently thanks to a combination of physical exercises and meditation and also due to consistently straining my chakra to its limits.

My chakra shape manipulation is going well too. Once my chakra level increases more, I should be able to proceed further. So my plans for chakra control, chakra shape manipulation and increasing chakra reserves should be good enough. Though there's no harm in getting more means of increasing my chakra reserves.

The most important thing I have in my arsenal is my wind nature manipulation training. I have already completed leaf cutting months back, and though I didn't attempt waterfall cutting, I have progressed further as I can now cut branches with rather ease. This much should be more than enough to perform many wind style jutsus. And since my own affinity is also wind, it becomes all the more important. That said, I do wonder if I can make my wind nature more potent by trying to cut tougher materials, maybe like a stone next followed by metal. Oh well, I'll experiment later.

Anyways one thing I definitely need to do is learn a bunch of wind style jutsus. I should read up every rank E and D wind style jutsus in this library, and try to learn the useful ones over the next year or two. Preferably try to find wind jutsus that would allow me to form a good combat system that can allow me to defend, attack and evade.

Apart from this, I also need to learn an additional element. Hmm, fire, lightning, earth and water... Which one should I focus on?'

On analyzing for a few minutes, he thought, 'Alright, Lightning and Wind isn't really the best combo, so lightning's out for the time being. Fire and water can combine very well with wind, especially fire. But I'll need a shadow clone to use it effectively. And anyways, this is the land of fire, so my teammates are very likely to have this element anyways. That leaves earth. I don't think wind and earth combine, however I can stick to using wind style for offense and

earth style for defense. I hope this library has that jutsu which Kakuzu used to harden his body. With that jutsu for defense along with Wind style for offense should be a very effective and annoying combination.

Alright, I'll choose Earth as my second element. And I'll keep working on it for the next few years to master these 2 elements. Other elements can wait till I'm able to pull off multiple shadow clones successfully.

Apart from that, basic justus should be learned as well. Normal clones don't provide much help in combat, but they should at least serve as a base for shadow clones and elemental clones. Transformation has a lot of uses though, from disguise to transforming into weapons. Substitution is the most useful of the 3, and something I'll keep using even if I became as strong as the Kages.

So I've to give special focus to substitution jutsu. Alongside this, I'll also have to learn and master Shunshin (Body Flicker) jutsu. Those two techniques will be vital for evasion and running away. Perhaps more than wind style jutsus, these two will be more critical to master first.

Yeah, this should become a good combat system. Wind style jutsus to attack, earth style jutsus to defend and substitution and body flicker to evade.

The next to work on would be Taijutsu. My daily morning workout has ensured that my physical capabilities are top tier among the current students. Sadly I can't grant any more time for it, so I guess I'll have to increase the difficulty of the workout somehow. Perhaps weights or some seals. As for Taijutsu, the academy teaches its own Taijutsu style. I should check that out before planning further.

As for Genjutsu, I can't work much on it right now. Let's leave it for the future.

That leaves me with Kenjutsu, Medical Ninjutsu, Sensing capabilities and fuinjutsu.

Medical Ninjutsu can wait. Kenjutsu is important for me. I will need to learn how to channel my chakra through weapons and charge it with wind nature. That would make my offense very lethal. However, this can wait for the time being too as I won't have to fight anything soon.

Fuinjutsu is something I can work on now. With the books for basics available, I should see whether it is suited for me or not.

Sensing is pretty essential too. I'll probably need the assistance of academy teachers to understand how to become a good sensor. While I haven't tried it yet for safety issues, I believe focusing chakra in the eyes, nose or ears should heighten those senses a lot. However, what I'm more interested in is sensing chakras. That ability should be very helpful when I'm out of the village.

So let's see. The Academy is open from Monday to Friday, with holidays on Saturday and Sunday. And it runs from morning 8 am to afternoon 3 pm.

Mornings are assigned to physical workouts. I get two and half hours for it. In the future, practice of Taijutsu forms will have to be included here as well.

During academy lectures, most training can't really happen. But I wonder if nature transformation can be worked upon. Something like leaf cutting can easily be hidden under the desk, I need to check what's the initial training method for earth nature and see whether it can be done in class. Though I hope that Genki ain't a sensor, otherwise he'll catch me and forbid me from doing it.

From 3 to 10 pm, I have time to train. I can eliminate one hour from there for travelling and eating and other miscellaneous stuff.

That leaves me six hours to work on basic jutsus, wind jutsus, weapon throwing, Fuinjutsu, sensing chakra and meditation. Clearly not enough time. So what to do?'

And he fell into deep analysis again. After calculating for some time, he came to the conclusion, 'Alright, of all these things, meditation is compulsory to do daily. For others, there are basically two options. One is to do these things on different days, and the second is to only focus on a few of these. While the first option sounds tempting, the issue is that with me trying to learn so many different things, would cause me to be less focused on everything and might be detrimental for me. For instance, with me practicing so many things, trying to learn 8 inner gates from Guy might be impossible as it requires strict dedication to Taijutsu.

Fuinjutsu is also a major issue. It should be a very vast concept with a lot of theories to focus on which will take a lot of time to learn. It's probably for the best to only learn it after I can make Shadow clones. Sadly, this would mean I can't make some easy money by making and selling Explosion tags or storage scrolls.

Among basic jutsus and wind jutsus, for the time being, let's put focus on basic jutsus. Once I have got those down, I'll start to focus on wind style jutsus.

So for the next few months, the time after academy should be spent on mastering those basic jutsus, shuriken and Kunai throwing, sensing chakra and meditation.

I currently have no idea as to how to sense chakra. I'll have to dig up theories in the library and consult Genki. That'll also allow me to know whether he is a sensor or not.

For weapon throwing, let's just wait up until that class is conducted. That way I won't increase any wrong habits I have and correct the form required while throwing them quicker.

As for those basic jutsus, I can get them easily from this library, I just have to understand the theories behind hand signs and how to perform them properly. It should be covered in the academy soon, so hopefully it won't be an issue for long.'

With that he stopped thinking for a bit and summarised everything he planned. He then thought, 'Alright, this plan seems to be good enough for now. I should get the required knowledge from the academy soon and can always bug all the senseis if I have any queries. I wonder how strong I'll become after a couple of years of this training.'

He chuckled, finally starting to read the scroll he had taken.

Chapter 9: Accumulating Knowledge

Fujin started reading the scroll. After going through the entire scroll, Fujin summarised, 'I see. The hand signs are similar to those shown in the manga. There are 12 basic hand seals that are mentioned. The hand signs actually help to mold and manipulate the chakra in a particular manner. However, that's only a help. The ninja still has to actively attempt to mold chakra in that manner.'

He sighed, 'This will probably take some time to master. Until this is mastered to acceptable levels, practice of hand signs will be done instead of basic jutsu training.

To master the hand signs, I'll first have to practice it, while simultaneously having to mold the chakra in the proper way. Then I'll have to try different seals one after another and change the way chakra is molded according to the respective signs. Only after being able to do that will I be able to start attempting any jutsu. Damn, this is gonna be tedious.

Anyways, apart from the basic hand signs, there were also a few other hand signs. The scroll mentioned hand signs for all 5 elements and a hand sign for clones. Apparently there were also other hand signs that aren't mentioned here.

Oh well, at least the chakra molding part will require proper guidance, so I'll start after it is taught in the academy. And this is just the basics. Later on I'll have to learn one-handed hand signs, reduce the number of hand signs required to perform a jutsu and learn to perform jutsus without performing any hand sign at all.

I recall quite a few characters were able to do hand signs with only one hand, and many had reduced the number of hand signs required for important jutsus to only one!

While he was analyzing the hand signs, his class teacher Genki entered the library and saw him lost in the scroll. He silently sneaked behind Fujin to see what he was reading. Upon noting the content, he smiled a bit and made his presence known, "Hello Fujin"

Upon hearing that Fujin suddenly turned behind to see, 'When did he appear behind me? How long was he here?' Not having any answers, he sighed mentally, 'I put my guard down, this is the ninja world after all. While he may only be a chuunin, he is in a whole different league compared to me right now. Well I suppose becoming a sensor could help me to a great degree in such scenarios. Anyways, time to act as a kid and make a good impression. It'll be helpful if I can get more guidance from him.'

Though he thought of all that, it only required a couple of seconds. He acted to be a bit nervous and said, "Good afternoon sensei, when did you come in the library?"

Genki laughed and said, "I've been here for a while kiddo. You were too lost in your scroll. So what's with your interest in hand signs?"

Fujin tried to act nervous and said in his childish voice, "I heard that some of my fellow classmates are already able to perform ninjutsu. During the exam, someone was talking about an Uchiha who was able to breath fire when he was only 4. I wanted to learn it too. That's why I began learning about hand signs."

Genki was happy that a small kid was showing so much interest and dedication. He tried to comfort the kid by rubbing his hand on his head and explaining, "Ah, that was Uchiha Itachi, he is your senior by a year. And he passed the academy in just a year and became a genin. But don't worry about it, Itachi was an exception. He had already started training from a very young age.

And it ain't breathing fire, instead he was using a jutsu called Fireball. You'll start using jutsus very soon too.

Tomorrow I'll teach you all about hand signs. So you can practice properly tomorrow. Until then don't try it by yourself. It can cause accidents, okay?"

Fujin showed an excited face, while nodding and said loudly, "Yes Sensei!" However Genki quickly said, "HEY, THIS IS LIBRARY, keep your voice down."

(A/N : I hope you guys get the meme, lol)

Fujin nodded again and softly said, "Yes Sensei"

After that Genki entered into section B of the library. Fujin thought, 'Oh, chuunins are allowed in section B? Then again, I'm not sure if this is for every chuunin or just a few. He did say he was an elite. So I guess he is an elite chuunin, who is probably close to becoming a special jounin or a jounin. Well whatever, at least my current impression should be very good, so that's some good news.'

And Fujin finally returned back to the scroll. He started to try and understand how chakra is molded with each hand sign and got engrossed in it again.

After sometime, he heard a door open. Fujin looked up to see Genki exit section B. He smiled at Fujin and exited the library.

After trying to understand the hand signs a bit more, Fujin finally closed the scroll and returned it to where it was. He then grabbed the scrolls on wind nature training and went back to the same spot and started reading.

After reading it he thought, 'This was a bit disappointing. All that is mentioned here is the leaf cutting exercise. Waterfall cutting ain't mentioned. Then again it makes sense as not everyone will have Yamato make a platform for them, and not everyone has Naruto's chakra levels in order to make that many clones.

The remaining content is mostly about the benefits of leaf cutting exercise and precautions to take. The only useful thing is the deeper explanation of the hand sign for wind nature transformation.'

He then got up and exchanged the scroll for earth nature training. This one was a bit more comprehensive.

Fujin thought, 'Alright this one's more helpful. Apparently, there are 2 basic ways to master earth transformation. The first one is to crush a stone. This was similar to leaf cutting. And the second one was to mold clay into various shapes, harden it and so on using only chakra.

It makes sense. Most earth style jutsus I remember, were basically just moving a part of the ground above the surface. So clay molding will be very helpful. As for stone crushing, after crushing stones, I could try crushing boulders to increase the mastery of earth nature whereas for clay molding, I could just increase the amount of clay or maybe I could try molding mud or soil as it'll be much tougher.'

He then placed the scroll back. Went to section E, and grabbed a scroll on the basics of Fuinjutsu. Upon reading it he analyzed, 'Alright, this doesn't sound too hard. Though I guess the difficulty should increase a lot for later versions. But yeah, this sounds to be too time consuming. Best left for later.'

He kept the scroll back and started searching section O for sensor training. He found many that were based on improving senses of smell or sight or hearing. After searching a lot, he finally found the one he was looking for. Sensing the chakra of anyone in your vicinity.

On reading it he found out, 'I see. So every ninja has a chakra field around them, though not everyone is able to use it properly. However, sensors can not only use their chakra field, but also expand their chakra field for hundreds

of metres and exceptional sensors can even expand it for a few kilometres to detect chakra within that field. On the other hand, if this chakra field is retracted, then that can help in hiding from enemy sensors.

As for training to be a sensor, the greatest obstacles are the other senses of a ninja. So while training, it is advised to shut down the sense of sight, smell and hearing. Interesting, I wonder if I can shut down just 2 of them in order to train the remaining one. Good hearing, smell and eyesight would be very helpful in this profession.

The basic method is still meditation, but sort of done in reverse. Instead of meditating to isolate myself from the surroundings, I'll have to meditate in order to perceive my surroundings.

Sadly though, I have no idea how to shut down my sense of smell, and also don't have any gadgets to stop hearing. So I'll require help here. Some guidance could be helpful too. I guess I'll somehow have to give Genki hints that I want to be a sensor. Sigh'

He finally kept the scroll and left the library. It was already evening. He thought, 'Wow, I didn't notice the time at all. I guess I was in the library for over 6 hours! The library didn't have any window at all. Makes sense, they don't want anyone sneaking into the library. Probably the walls are fortified with the help of Fuinjutsu to prevent Earth style users from breaking in.'

He went towards his home and on the way, bought a small pack of clay for 5 Ryo and picked up a few small stones.

Chapter 10: New Skills

Next day, again Fujin was the last one to arrive. He came in merely a couple of minutes before 8 am. Looking at everyone he chuckled, 'Look at these kids, coming early to sit on the first bench.'

He went and sat alone on the last bench and removed a stone and placed it in the desk.

Genki arrived at 8, and started the class. The first hour apparently was a lecture. He was talking about the history of the village, the pride that one

should have in being a Konoha shinobi and all such stuff. Fujin classified this lecture as a 'brainwashing session'.

Fujin observed the classroom. The 2 Naras were half asleep. The Akimichis were probably thinking about food. The 3 Inuzukas were too distracted with their dogs. One of the two Uchihas was very smug for some reason while the two Kurama girls were gossiping about something. Others were paying attention.

The Smug looking guy was Uchiha Yori. It seems like he wanted to walk in the footsteps of Itachi as he was bragging a lot about how the previous year's best student was an Uchiha who was only 7 years old on the previous day. Apparently both the Uchihas could already perform the fireball jutsu. Fujin finally stopped looking around.

When Genki was writing something on the board, Fujin grabbed the stone with his left hand, and started to train earth nature while keeping his hand under the desk.

When he channeled his chakra, his whole attention was on Genki. To see whether he would notice and react. However, there wasn't any visible change in Genki's expression.

Fujin thought, 'Lucky. He ain't a natural sensor. Or he is ignoring me for some reason, though chances of that are pretty low. Whatever, both scenarios are good for me.'

The lecture went on for an hour. Though Fujin paid some attention, the majority of his attention was on training his earth nature.

After the brainwashing session was over, Genki started explaining to everyone about Chakra. And then finally moved on to molding chakra with hand signs. Fujin stopped his earth nature training and paid full attention in the class.

The kids from clans however were distracted. They had already been taught hand signs before they joined the academy.

That class, Genki taught everyone about 3 hand signs and made everyone practice it. He monitored everyone closely. After the lecture was over, he said that in the next 3 days, he'll be teaching them the remaining hand signs.

After that they broke off for lunch followed by a lecture on History. Senju Teru and Hyuga Hana were answering a lot of questions asked by Genki in this lecture. Fujin on the other hand stuck to his training while pretending to pay attention in the class.

The week went by in a similar manner. Genki taught all 12 basic hand signs as well as the clone hand sign. He stressed on the importance of learning hand signs properly, which Fujin noted was similar to the notes he read from the scroll yesterday, and asked everyone to practice them at home.

Other than this, Genki had also introduced everyone to the leaf concentration exercise.

In normal lectures, Fujin kept practicing on his earth nature training, but if he got bored with it, he used to try to use his wind nature to cut the stone instead of crumbling it with earth nature.

In week 2, Genki held a class to throw shurikens. He first started with a competition between the students to understand where everyone stands. He also had called a few other teachers to help him with this session.

Most of the clan kids performed well. The best was tied between Uchiha Yori and Senju Teru. The other Uchiha, Aburame and Shimura rounded up the top 5.

Fujin was a bit startled by the serious attitude of Shimura Nobu. He thought, 'I guess Danzo got a root-like training program for the kids from his clan as well.'

Though Fujin had practiced earlier with self made wooden shurikens, it was barely at acceptable level. For starters, the difference in weights itself reduced the impact of earlier training. Out of six shots, he only managed to hit one on the board. And even that was closer to the edge rather than the center.

He was ranked 21st in the competition. Afterwards Genki met up with each and every student giving them advice.

When he reached Fujin, he said, "Alright, you have a lot of work to do on this. First we'll start from your throwing form. Once we get that correct, you will improve quickly."

Fujin nodded and allowed Genki to correct his posture. And then he tried to replicate the way in which Genki displayed throwing a shuriken. After Genki

corrected him a few more times. After being satisfied with his throwing form, Genki moved on to the remaining students.

Fujin took this training seriously and practiced it a lot. After that day, his time after the academy was divided into his shuriken throwing practice, which he did in the academy practice grounds itself, right after the academy ended. And after reaching home, he practiced the hand signs, moulded the clay and meditated. He tried sensing his environment in the previous week, but didn't have any success at it. So that was left for later.

The new thing that he started doing was that Fujin started to practice walking on the wall instead of leaf concentration. This was done as a substitute to tree climbing. Fujin noted that since the walls are uniform, wall walking should be easier than tree climbing. However for now this should be enough. He arranged the cushions properly on the floor so that he won't get injured when he fell on the floor hundreds of times!

Walking on walls took a few days to learn. By the end of week 2, he pulled that off without falling down. He could walk on the wall as well as stand on the ceiling. The major issue he faced here was the shortage of chakra. However, every day he practiced, he discovered that his stamina was improving.

But he wasn't sure how much of that was due to better chakra control and how much was due to increase in chakra reserves. After trying to analyze a bit, he dropped the matter. Assuring himself that it didn't matter as he was making progress anyways.

During all those falls, he also learnt how to flip himself in the air to properly land on his feet.

After the first month in academy, Genki taught everyone the academy's basic Taijutsu style. It included a lot of forms and moves to make it a comprehensive Taijutsu style covering all areas. But that also meant that it wasn't specialized in anything.

However for now, Fujin didn't concern himself with that. This Taijutsu style was obviously way superior to everything he could do in Taijutsu. He was quite surprised and thought, 'I didn't think the basic style itself would be so complicated and cover all aspects. It makes me wonder how much better Senju and Uchiha Taijutsu styles are. And Hyuga Taijutsu is obviously superior to even them. Well let's first master the academy style. Then I can

think about learning a more advanced form of Taijutsu. This will take a lot of time, but luckily I do have a lot of time.'

After that day, the Taijutsu forms got added to his morning workout as well. The Taijutsu training in the academy went on for over a month just to teach the students everything about that Taijutsu style. Fujin noted that the ones from Senju, Uchiha, Hyuga and Inuzuka clan didn't learn the academy style of Taijutsu.

After the Taijutsu lessons were over, the academy students were made to fight among themselves every week. And depending upon their performance and technique, Genki gave them tips or asked them to practice a certain form.

Even these Taijutsu matches were arranged as tournaments. Here Fujin did much better and was ranked 8th in the first tournament. Though his Taijutsu style wasn't very good yet, he did benefit from having a stronger body. He wasn't very surprised by it. Though these students are very talented, maybe some even more than him, no six year old kid would put as many hours in training as he did. The ones who do would be rare exceptions, like Guy for instance. Even Rock Lee only started to work that hard after he became a genin.

Hyuga Hoka ranked first in the first Taijutsu tournament. He was followed by Senju Teru, Hyuga Hana and Uchiha Yori and the 3rd Hyuga. Shimura Nobu was 6th followed by one of the remaining two Senju at 7th.

Fujin thought, 'Well this is promising. Unlike them, I haven't had any proper training yet. As I train further, I should grow stronger a lot faster than these guys. I suppose I am moving in the right direction then, I should just stick to it.'

Genki started to conduct Taijutsu tournaments and Shuriken throwing tournaments every week for his class.

Fujin noted that no such tournaments were arranged for the other 4 divisions. In fact, in one of his encounters with Daisuke, he learnt that they hadn't even had a Taijutsu class yet and are still being taught shuriken throwing and making hand signs properly.

He thought, 'I guess they really are serious in developing this class properly. From what I heard, this was done last year as well. Though they were incredibly lucky to have Itachi in last year's class. If they have similar

expectations from this year, then they will be very disappointed. Then again, I suppose they won't expect a talent of Itachi's calibre so regularly.'

Ending the train of thought, Fujin looked forward towards the future, a bit excited to keep improving himself.