CANON L YOSTUBA KIRA’S CAPTURE

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So planning is considered to be Canon L's one of worst categories.Today, I will disprove this as Canon L has some pretty good planning feats.(No WPF shit here tho lol)Time to show how unemployed I really am lmao.

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One of Canon L's best and my personal favourite planning feat, Yotsuba Kira’s capture.L’s goal was to know how Kira can kill his victims while also capturing Higuchi.This is pretty good decision to take risk here, as Higuchi is not as smart as original Kira so L’s risk will play out.Now, L is able to formulate his plan right after Misa tells him that Higuchi is killed.In probably minutes, L has formulated his plan, on the other hand Light's memory loss plan formulation took 3 days.
L proposes to the task force that they will use Sakura TV for bait.This may look like a repetitive trick, like the Lind.L Taylor Trap at first which even Soichiro Yagami points out.However, L then reveals the psychological part of this scheme is different.This time, L uses the psychology of knowing the truth.L will be creating a setup where Matsuda will be

talking in a 3 hours block.Matsuda will be hiding his face and use fake name in the whole show.Here, Higuchi knows he is Kira.L knows that third Kira is even more reckless than first Kira, and not as strategic as first Kira.Because Higuchi had suspected Matsuda of knowing the truth, and even Higuchi knows the truth he will already have fear of being exposed.In broadcast if even small info leak happens of Higuchi being Kira, which L does, Higuchi will surely be provoked and mentally forced to kill Matsuda.This will drive his further reckless actions to go to Sakura TV building directly and there L can catch him.In between, there are multiple possibilities which L would have to overcome, which I will explain further in detail.L will cut off these possibilities by some simple tactics and foresight.So far, this is the basic structure of the plan.
L Lawliet plans to use Sakura TV for a bait.Why Sakura TV only?Sakura TV was pretty well known for trashy, sensational, and unreliable reports.However, Sakura TV was also a primary place for Kira case related news as second Kira used to send tapes to Sakura TV to broadcast.Considering, nothing like this happened on anyone else's news channel, this will surely create an unique image of Sakura TV for Kira related news even for any person.So news like this appearing on Sakura TV won't feel odd to Higuchi.What if Higuchi tries to correlate it with Lind L Taylor broadcast trap? Firstly, Higuchi won't be able to do that.I knew third Kira is way more reckless than first Kira.Secondly, the Matsuda factor will save the day.As Higuchi knows that Matsuda knows the truth, as they themselves have once suspected Matsuda so strongly, so eliminating the risk Matsuda here is extremely important.From Higuchi's perspective this is completely rational.Also, Higuchi's own group members told him to watch the broadcast, which will surely create a psychological effect on Higuchi's mind that something is really serious about the broadcast.By these 3 factors, L is trying to shield his plan.This is pretty impressive as the plan has 3 layers to protect it from being uncovered.For a reckless person like Higuchi, this setup is enough, infact more than enough just in case for L.L predicts Higuchi will be in panicked state because of human psychology that when you try to hide the truth you are stressed and in fear you try too hard to hide the truth.This perfectly fits for a person like Higuchi.Next decision was whom L will choose to be the bait?Aiber was proposed by Matsuda initially, however L rejected it and instead chose Matsuda as L needs someone, whose name is easily accessible

in Higuchi's view, which would make his actions more predictable.This shows L is trying to reduce as many variables as possible in plan to keep its success rate high.Matsuda is perfect for this role as Higuchi thinks Matsuda overheard their conversation, and it won't be difficult for anyone to imagine that Matsuda's death was fake.L plans that Matsuda will reveal that he overheard the conversation of Yotsuba group, and he faked his death to get out from there, and he researched on every group member and figured out Kira finally.L also notes that Matsuda will mention that other members are mere victims so other members won't react in this case according to L, he uses human psychology of being innocent.This shows how L is accounting for minute variables.Now, Sakura TV will be hiding Matsuda behind screen cover, which will fall off intentionally for a second to bait Higuchi.How do you make Higuchi watch the broadcast?Namikawa is chosen to be the one to make Higuchi watch the broadcast.L had observed all Yotsuba meetings, and figured out Namikawa is quite intelligent and rational enough to have freedom instead of protecting a serial killer when law is closing in, and especially a reckless person like Higuchi will definitely be captured.How L knew Namikawa is rational person and profiled him?When L was observing Yotsuba group meetings, notice how members like Higuchi and Shida use sentences like,”We should kill them”, showing extremist and emotional approach.However, Namikawa was instead more of a composed and rational viewer which is pretty clear from his words.L also knew a dan 4 shogi player is more capable of thinking rationally as compared to average humans.This proves that L was observing Yotsuba group meetings, by each sentence and comprehending each sentence to map them out psychologically.Know uses some of his foresight here.The next few parts of plan are spoken out by Light, however we can interpret that L had foreseen same because the plan is originally his and he explains the further predictions which is a strong proof for my point.L predicts that Higuchi will try to kill Matsuda with his Kira's powers first which would fail.Then, Higuchi will try to search for Matsuda's real name.Then, logically Higuchi's best option will be to call Misa and ask Matsuda's name as Higuchi thinks Misa is second Kira, and on her side, and surely Higuchi will go with this approach.To respond this Misa will just cut off her contact.Then, Higuchi will try to know Matsuda's name via Mogi, Misa’s new manager.At first he will ask where Misa is, and Mogi can give

almost any good reasons.Then, Higuchi will ask Mogi about Matsuda's name, to which he will either give a fake name or say he doesn't knows it.Then, Higuchi will try to ask identity of previous manager, and it's completely rational in such a panic situation.Mogi will then ask Higuchi to ask yo Yoshida productions.As Higuchi will hit Yoshida productions anyways, so he will recklessly ask them for Matsuda's identity.His call will be directed to boss, who will give excuse that all employees are on vacation, and reveal Taro Matsui is just his name as manager and his real name can be searched in his resume office.Then, L will setup a ket provided to Higuchi for resumes office and L can know Higuchi's killing method there.Everything so far goes exactly as planned by L.However, after Higuchi failed to kill by the name in resumes office, Higuchi makes the shinigami eye trade.This was originally out of L's plan as L had reasoned out Higuchi has no powers of second Kira, as he won't require Misa Amane then.However, L's plan was adaptable, and L immediately predicts that Higuchi will go to at the place of broadcast to see Matsuda's face where L can capture Higuchi.For now, L abandons his goal to see Higuchi's killing method, which was a sideline goal for L.L makes everyone's face hidden by making them wear a helmet, put Matsuda's dummy instead of Matsuda.Higuchi is captured eventually and confesses killing method himself.
For the foresight part, this can also apply to Light as he explains some predictions and actions in L's plan.
L's plan was pretty flexible and adaptable which is most impressive part of his plan.In fact, L's plan is better than Light's memory loss in adaptability and plotted in much less time than memory loss.

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