Made by: N-Ice (Some inspiration from Berl)
Firstly let's talk about L isolation. The main aim is "Creating distrust" in the first place, but it doesn't make sense from the get go

Institutions are regulated by “authority” not “trust”. Trust, at best, would be a variable to take into account, if the environment was revolving Institutions *horizontally* (within members of the same rank of the same organization) not *vertically* (higher power to lower power, which is exactly L's case).
Without this dynamic based on authority, society would collapse.
Not only that, but especially during emergencies that emerge based off of an external conflict (e.g. war), exactly as in this Kira case, this role of authority is even more enhanced.

In conclusion: what Light’s whole plan is based off of ignores how real dynamics within institutions actually work.

If anything, police men will start to “doubt” or “get mad” at each other not L (horizontally, as I explained before). Imagine yourself being a policeman in charge of finding out the most dangerous criminal ever, and you find out that one of your colleagues leaked information to him or even worse *is* Kira. Now, unless you lack the guts necessary for the job (and should have rationally just given up right at the beginning) you should be concerned about the situation at hand and act accordingly as your job requires (meaning finding who was responsible for the leak).

Light: “On the face of it, L and the police are working together to catch me. Well I guess they actually are working together. But behind the scenes L will be spying on the police and the police will be trying to track down L.”

Which makes no sense for the police to try and track L down, when he was the greatest detective in the whole ass world.
“L will be spying on the police”
Kinda (?). He is most likely going to spy on the people *around* the police men, not the police men themselves. L isn’t likely to spy on the police men for three different reasons:

Point 1- to spy on them would mean they would have had to be pro Kira or Kira himself, but committing what they did would just expose them so why would they do something so downright incriminating?

Point 2- if they were Kira or pro-Kira, why would they do something so useless?It sounds more like a bait from the real Kira if anything

Point 3- if they were Kira or pro-Kira why would they leave their jobs or the Kira mission, since the most important information would be there.

Point 4- Not only that, but L isn’t even the only one who would eventually spy on these people. CANONICALLY the FBI intervened too (Raye Penber spying on Yagami’s and another guy’s family) after this data leak incident. And this isn't an unexpected variable. L was in charge of finding the biggest international criminal who nobody had any idea on. The

FBI intervening, enforces the asymmetrical authority the NPA and the other Institutions (L, the FBI etc.) had in a blatant way.

“the police will be trying to track down L”
In the first place, why would the police even doubt L?Because they would think he is too incompetent (insane stretch)?Because they think he is Kira?Because they think he is supporting Kira?Why?

“Because they would think he is too incompetent?” (option 1)
Say Light based his strategy based on this foresight of the police men thinking L was incompetent causing doubt…. so what?What would it change?Virtually speaking nothing. They would still follow L's orders as usual.

And ESPECIALLY the “tracking down L” part, considering this background, would just be a non-sequitur. Why would they track down L?Because he is incompetent?Seriously?No reason at all.
Now, what did that overall thing actually lead to, aka what advantages he gave L during this whole thing?

Let’s head to the Calculations part.
The people suspected would go from millions (the population of Kanto) to much fewer. And precisely what would that number be?
Thankfully, we have panels that serve as proof.
Within the first panel, L says: “Watari, the FBI has started its probe. I’ve received a list of the NPA personnel working on this case.”
And following the thinking panels L says: “Just within the NPA 141 people with access to task force information, mmmh. But one of these 141 people… or someone very close to one of them is Kira, I’m sure of it.”
Key things to keep in mind:
Point A. The files L received only had the “immediate” (with “immediate” I mean spouse and kids no uncles etc.) family members contained within them. This means that most plausibly when L said “someone very close to one of them” he only meant just that (spouse and eventual kids), especially because when he said that, he was just looking at the page with only this information.
Oh and I would also like to point out how L is *sure* of it, he doesn’t think it’s *somewhat probable*.
Point B. Both the FBI files and the FBI investigations (Raye Penber) *only* took place for the “immediate” family members.
These two elements put together, show that Light’s foresight (if he did want to avoid this situation that is) was incredibly wrong *canonically*.
And even if we stepped outside of the narrative’s logic, the most reasonable thing to do (coming from the FBI’s POV) would just be to investigate people interacting with said 141 agents, tracing back past contacts, and just spying on them. Which virtually would lead to the situation it led in DN.
So considering both real life logic and canonical logic, Light’s plan had major holes (again, unless his objective was to be found).
PROS: initiating a more direct challenge to L (pros are merely ego-centric based on Light’s perspective, there is no pro that enhances his position strategically speaking)

CONS:
1- reduced the number of people suspected from 40.000.000 (population of Kanto in 2004) to around 141 people

2- wasted an incredibly valuable opportunity (being easily able to hack into his father’s PC to gather secret information)

The cons insanely surpass the pros as we can clearly see even on this part

Because there's other angles to look at it from. This is mainly how bad the goal itself is and how badly it was executed in a way too. Now let's talk about how bad Light is mentally, to the point of self delusion, and more towards his actions mistakes
Again, Light did not know or wish to be discovered or suspected, that's what we literally canonically see by this



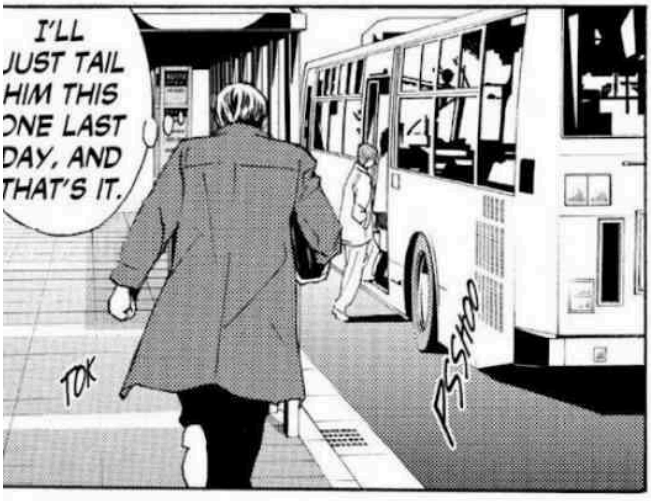
Light wanted to get close to L without ever being suspected as Kira.
A decently common argument to defend him is something like "As a precaution, he placed that paper between the door and he fiddled with the doorknob in case someone came in, so he knew there were probably cameras and listening devices there, since his family would hardly bother to put the paper back up."
Which is wrong, it was stated he had that set-up before the whole shenanigans with the 12 agents, no? Also a precaution ≠ he was expecting to be suspected, especially since we see even before the 12 agents, Light had the whole drawer mechanism set-up which is against his family members snooping around for whatever reason, so this is again an assumption you're trying to fit into narrative of Light wanting to be found or being prepared to be suspected.

"But it's okay if he's a suspect and L can't prove that Light is Kira" if not for the police members blatantly defending Light through the series L would get many opportunities to literally prove that Light is Kira despite how OP death note is as a method.
Raye Panber was the most useless "plan" I've ever seen, not just useless, it actually put him in a worse position as Raye would stop tailing him and he'd not be suspected if Light just didn't do anything. Light himself knew that but used it for some reason, to kill him and other agents proving that Kira is one of the family members of the NPA members meaning the list narrowed down to 141 people instead of it being a wild goosechase 😭

And that's after just before letting the police know he's a student and also letting the police know he can access the police data while also letting them know he can control times of deaths and even actions of deaths which was literally used here and helped Naomi track him down which he escaped by pure luck, not even mentioning Raye forgetting Light's voice and also not reporting he showed his ID to him.

God this is so stupid that not doing any of that would be 100 times better than doing 😭

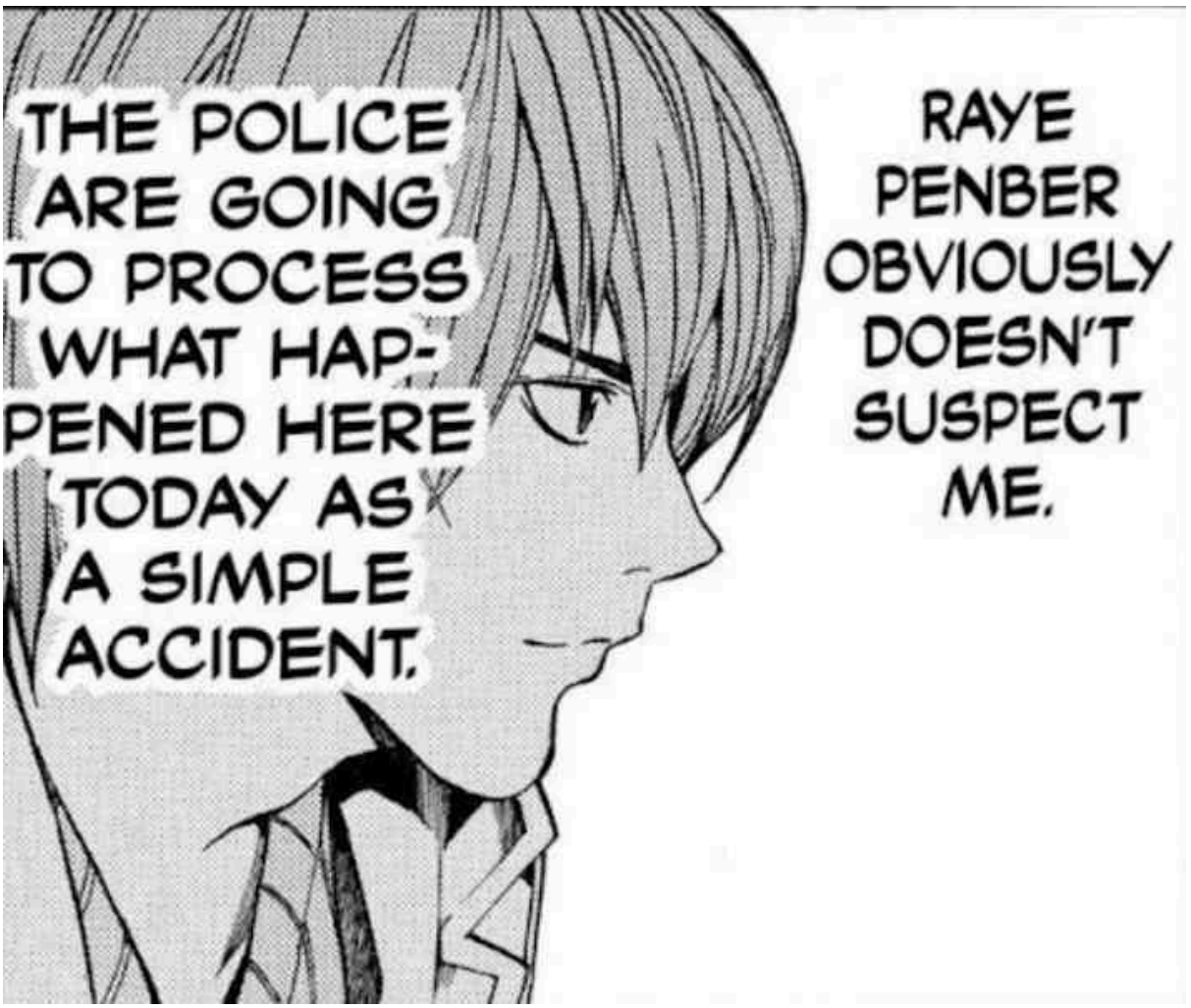






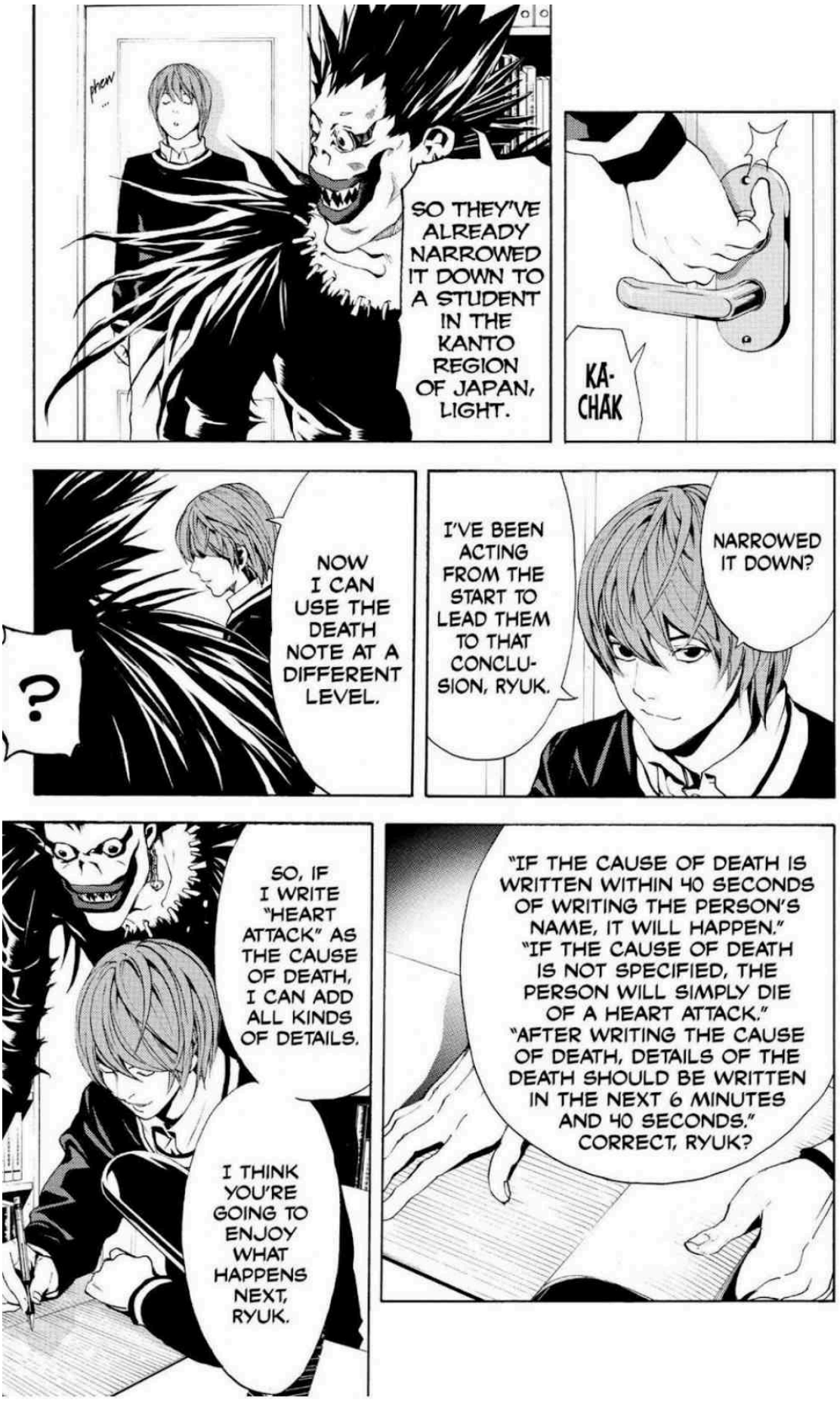


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Even IF Light played his cards perfectly in killing the 12 agents, it would still be a confirmation to L and police that Kira was watched by 1 of 12 agents. And not only that, during this plan a lot of his cards like control over actions and times of death is given away. And he doesn't know if there's multiple people each agent tails, for all he knows he could be 1 of 12 people yet he did that. Because as we see Light knew Raye didn't suspect him and Raye confirmed that in his thoughts.
And all that to defend his illogical reasoning to act as if it all was by plan

Bro could do it before (what he said here), he didn't need to give them soooo much info about being a student in Kanto region of Japan to use the Death Note differently


phew...
SO THEY'VE ALREADY NARROWED IT DOWN TO A STUDENT IN THE KANTO REGION OF JAPAN, LIGHT.
KA-CHAK
?
NOW I CAN USE THE DEATH NOTE AT A DIFFERENT LEVEL.
I'VE BEEN ACTING FROM THE START TO LEAD THEM TO THAT CONCLU-SION, RYUK.
NARROWED IT DOWN?
SO, IF I WRITE "HEART ATTACK" AS THE CAUSE OF DEATH, I CAN ADD ALL KINDS OF DETAILS.
I THINK YOU'RE GOING TO ENJOY WHAT HAPPENS NEXT, RYUK.
"IF THE CAUSE OF DEATH IS WRITTEN WITHIN 40 SECONDS OF WRITING THE PERSON'S NAME, IT WILL HAPPEN."
"IF THE CAUSE OF DEATH IS NOT SPECIFIED, THE PERSON WILL SIMPLY DIE OF A HEART ATTACK."
"AFTER WRITING THE CAUSE OF DEATH, DETAILS OF THE DEATH SHOULD BE WRITTEN IN THE NEXT 6 MINUTES AND 40 SECONDS."
CORRECT, RYUK?

As Light says he wants to use the DN on a different level.
But he portrays it as if him giving away being a student in Kanto Region of Japan + also giving away being tied to the police + giving away the abilities of DN are all necessary to do that?
When he could just make some accidents happen, without police or L knowing.

If he didn't do things like the letters, aka L did you know God's of Death love Apples, he could do some experiments instead and make them as accidents without revealing his cards but let's continue. Because this statement of him acting to lead them to him actually gets contradicted soon enough, in multiple ways too.
Because firstly I'll show something that happened BEFORE that makes it clear.
And it certainly wasn't by plan but by a mistake initially 😭

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BUT I, L, DO IN FACT EXIST.
ZWAP
L
SO, COME ON! KILL ME IF YOU CAN!!
WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?
L
IS HE CRAZY? HE'S GOING TO DIE!
HE'S... REALLY UPPING THE STAKES HERE.
THAT JERK...


ALTAVISTA
MITSUBISHI

Because the reason L knows of Kira being in Kanto Region of Japan, is from Fake L on Broadcast, that's what we all know. And as we know it wasn't by Light's plan, and Light even said L got him.. yes very planned my ass
Which shows this is bogus



Buttt to that later
Next, Light also after learning that L thinks he's a student, killed 1 person in 1 hour difference on dot. This makes 0 sense aside from misdirecting them from this fact but instead L got sure it's the case and also that Kira has access to police database or has a connection to police:
And of course Light is like: Erm akshually I wanted them to get to that conclusio-
When we see this, still an undeniable thing btw



Quite literally debunks his own words.

But it actually goes deeper than that, because it shows how Light managed to make a strategic move that absolutely backfired in so many ways and only gave him a huge negative value despite being the only one that knows the rules of the game he and L are playing and how much advantages Light had.
Because decision of even killing Raye and 12 agents was bad because of this even if he did it perfectly: When he KNEW Raye didn't suspect him.
But, if he's already messing up enough by confirming to L and Task Force that one of the 12 agents is tailing Kira, why not make it worse for 0 advantages on himself?
And just make it clear that Kira didn't just contact one of the 12 agents, but which one specifically aka Raye let me explain.

After he did in fact kill Raye and the 12 agents, give me a single reason to show himself to dying Raye Penber, before he died. There's not a single one aside from making fun of his victim and looking cool. But what it led to? It led to L seeing that Raye is reaching into the train, which alongside the envelope (also a mistake I'll explain later) became a solid conclusion that Kira was tailed by Raye Penber. Rendering things like mixing up the order of when the email got delivered actually useless.


SOON...
LIGHT...
YAGAMI!


GOOD-
BYE,
RAYE
PENBER.

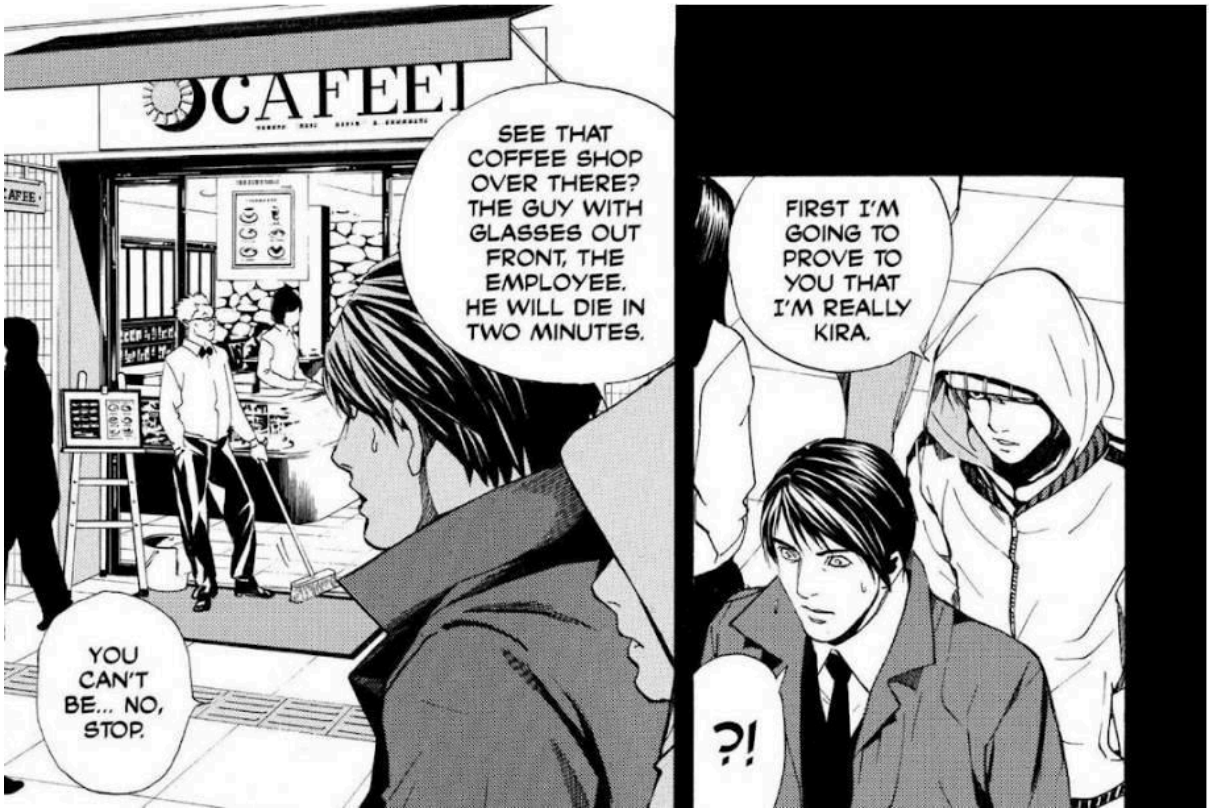




Well, Light did more mistakes like I mentioned: First of all, getting to Raye in person instead of using someone's actions after writing their name in the DN, so the author had to make Raye retarded and forget Light's voice... Raye is an experienced agent who was tasked to tail potential Kira's, he's with experience too and Light is the person he was tailing.


...
WHY CAN'T I REMEMBER WHOSE VOICE THIS IS...?
KKOOK!
KEE-THUNK
WHY
...
SHUDDER





Mind you even if you say he could have did a voice changer for the transmission.. Initially Light approached him just straight up without anything on his mouth or anything to distort his voice. Hence Raye felt like he knew this voice but couldn't remember who.

Second Mistake: Using train, again, didn't account for electronic tickets being registered. Why wasn't that used? No idea but it normally would be. Just Light's plot armour.
Third of all the envelope was given to him beforehand, before he got on the train, and wasn't just in train instead. L noticed Raye had an envelope before getting on the train but didn't afterwards.


KIRA CAN CONTROL PEOPLE'S ACTIONS RIGHT BEFORE THEY DIE.
SO I SUPPOSE WE COULD JUST SAY THAT'S THE REASON ANY OF THE AGENTS ACTED STRANGELY THAT DAY, BUT...
AT THE TURNSTILE AND ON THE PLAT-FORM, HE'S HOLDING SOME-THING LIKE A MANILA ENVELOPE.
HUH?!
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ENVE-LOPE?!
HEY! YOU'RE RIGHT. HE'S DEFINITELY HOLDING AN ENVELOPE!
AN ENVE-LOPE ?!

Light could instead carry the envelope in his chest pocket or kill someone and with the DN powers get them to get the envelope there right before Raye gets on or many other alternatives
And with this fourth mistake of showing to Raye
Because of Light being careless it left no room for doubt that Raye was the one who got contacted by Kira.


SOON?
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Light got caught stupidly by the Fake Broadcasting because of his ego and impulsivity.
Then because of his ego he decided to make it seem like he led them to the conclusions of him being a student in Kaito region to look cool for Ryuk (both him getting caught and that he gaslit himself is undeniable).
Then he decided to kill Raye who he knew doesn't suspect him which basically confirmed Kira is tailed by one of the 12 agents regardless of whatever bs he did afterward to perfection.
Then for all that he got his advantages away by showing he can control actions and times of death.
Then for no reason to "look cool" maybe idk he shown himself to Raye just before Raye's death making it obvious Raye was the one Kira contacted alongside the envelope.

All the while he had to get plot armour for:
His voice not getting recognised by Raye 1, Raye showing his ID not being reported 2, Train Tickets that get recorded not being given to L or the police nor did any footage on the train 3, encountering Naomi and hearing that she has a clue on Kira right on the dot 4, and Naomi somewhy telling her real name to him (Which made no sense) 5
Even if you don't consider Naomi telling her real name as plot armour, voice, ID being shown not being told, train tickets and encountering + hearing Naomi has a lead on Kira are still insane amount of plot armour that he avoided just for a useless scheme that only makes things worse for him.
Like Raye DIDN'T RECOGNISE HIS VOICE for one, mind you Raye is narratively a good and proper special agent who is used to have undercover missions and is experienced. For two he is on an undercover mission and was told to not show his ID as he's... Undercover! And he, despite being said by everyone including himself and Naomi is a good person and a dutiful man.. Yet HE DIDN'T REPORT THAT HE SHOWN HIS ID TO LIGHT YAGAMI WHOM HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE TAILING.
Yes it's a literal requirement.
Light would be toast if Raye reported that, because later on it's obvious that the one who Raye tailed is Kira meaning if he told that he shown his ID to Light Yagami it's an undeniable evidence even for court to get Light to be guilty. It's even more crazy because undercover agents are REQUIRED TO REPORT IF THEY GET UNCOVERED OR EVEN IF THEIR IDENTITY IS IN JEOPARDY. Or else whole operation and safety of people involved, is in DANGER.
So now again going back to this



It's shown logically that this is just false and Light's ego speaking in 3 different ways.
1: Beginning of it all was Fake L with Broadcast, so he couldn't have led them to that from the verybeginning. ✅
2: He doesn't need to give them so much info to experiment with DN's abilities when instead he could create and observe a suicide death or a car crash death, even doing the bus hijacking and then nothing afterwards would work too actually. Meaning the reason behind it is not true ✅
3: Even if he did his plan perfectly, it would still contradict the "I can't get even REMOTELY suspected as Kira" as he'd be confirming he's one of the people the 12 agents are tailing ✅
And the fact that after all this he didn't notice the big mistakes he did also show that he didn't understand how badly his plan went too, and how badly he executed it, as his reasoning in reality sucks so does his thinking ability.
Light has shown to deluded himself and his allies into wishful thinking that all's going by his plan when it's obviously not
->
Act upon those to make illogical reasons to do actions
->
Willingly with those actions show trump cards like times of death and actions before death being under his control
->

Confirming their suspicions about who they tail
->
Showing off before Raye Penber just to look down at him (this is a behaviour we also saw when he said openly on the street that he's Kira to Naomi... ON THE STREET)
->
Not calculate the things like the mistakes I mentioned
->
Not notice said mistakes that he made even when he thinks deeply about them.
He also got lucky they didn't inspect the door after seeing the paper there. And as it seems they took their time because they placed 64 damn camera's.
And again, if he didn't have plot armours, Raye just would report showing his ID to the person he's tailing aka Light Yagami as he's a dutiful undercover agent and Light would be cooked.

And even worse, despite getting to know who L is, even if he had his actual name he couldn't kill him.

Because L and him being in direct contact (Which is what the "scheme" is "supposed" to make, let's ignore it uh, contradicting him saying he can't even get suspected as Kira). Still led to what? To Light failing. Because he can't even actually kill L, or he's toast.
So many dumb and easily avoidable mistakes
Over 5 plot armours just in 12 agents scheme (let's not mention Bus Hijacking for example)
Would get cooked by police or Naomi or tapes over 3 times if not for said plot armours
All for a scheme that bore no fruit and he couldn't even kill L
That all started because he wanted to look cool and as if he's in control
At the same time exposing a lot of his trump cards and losing a shit ton of advantages
While confirming that he didn't just get in contact with one of the agents as Kira, even got himself given away on WHO he contacted
Or just wouldn't kill Fake L because L is world's greatest detective that helps imprison criminals and solve crimes better than anyone else
Or just wouldn't show themselves infront of Raye before he died.

And I'm SURE an average person wouldn't get caught in the Photo Test Traps too
Let's think of easy ways Light should have been caught if not for plot armour:
Train Tickets: RIP
Footage on the Train: RIP
Watching the footage from other stations where Light got on the train at the same time as Raye and then finding out at which station he got out: RIP (At least partially)
Naomi and Light not randomly encountering in a random police station while she was loudly saying she got a lead on Kira: RIP
Process of Elimination (Since they knew Kira was in the train, they could check who of the 2 remaining households that's tailed by Raye had their members in an unknown place): RIP
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Raye reporting showing his ID and especially doing so to Light Yagami that he's tailing: RIP
The passing taskforce member hearing Light calling himself Kira right before Naomi got offed: RIP

The people that were installing the Camera's in Light's Room hearing a fucking pencil lead forcefully snapping and from the tall part of the door hinge falling on the WOODEN floor, and just replacing it and doing things properly: RIP (The fact they didn't notice shit is concerning)Yeah, like, 8 ways Light would get RIP'd if not for plot armours despite having a DN, a weapon that can kill without direct contact with a target, and a thing that kills without leaving evidence. Despite that, Light could get cooked by Raye, Police, Naomi and L in different occasions if he also didn't need plot armour on top of it all. And mind you, ALL that? For a plan that came from his self delusions that he got the task force on his trail intentionally.
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First watch this video, it kinda explains some mistranslation
Second, if it wasn't enough how dumb Light was here here's an explanation made by me
Now mind you, Light is Japan's best academic student, so it's not because he didn't understand the language, it's because his dumbass fell for that trap. Basically originally, the 3 notes numbered in order is an incomplete message, not that it doesn't make sense hence you have to change their positions.

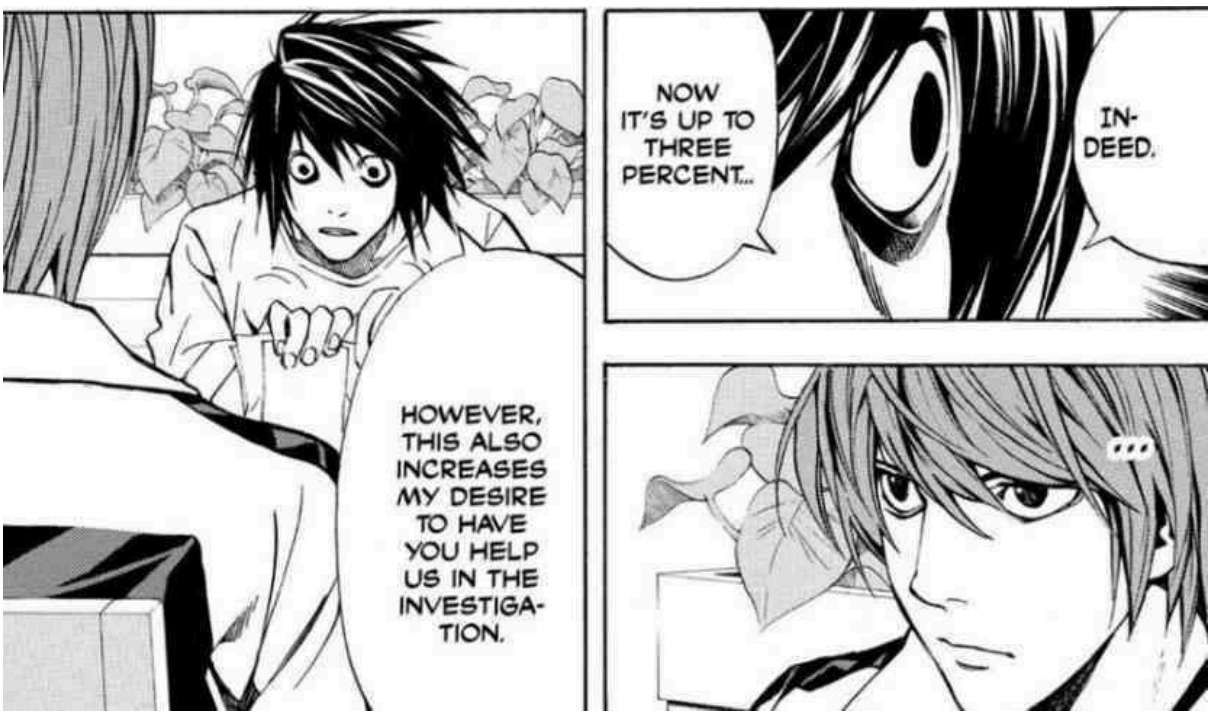
1 2 and 3 by itself look like just they need 4, while you can also do 1 3 and 2, why would you assume that instead? That's what Light did. Now here's where it gets even worse for Light, instead of 1 2 and 3 we get 2 18 and 21.

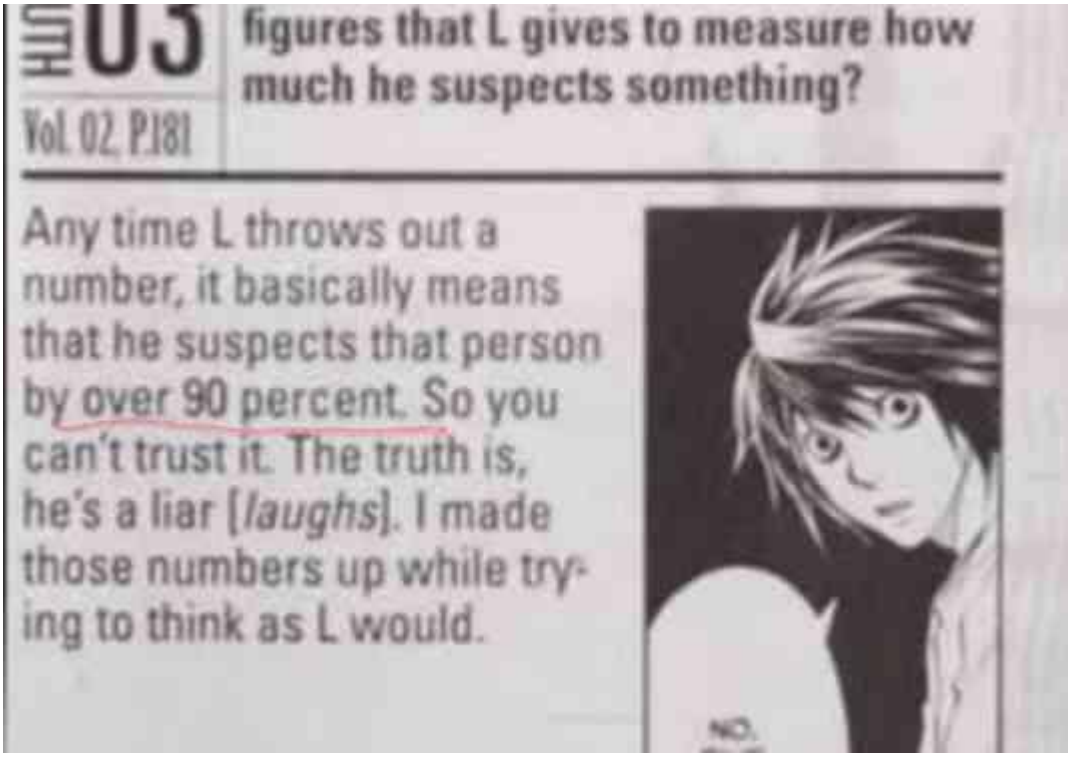
So, thing is, Light is supposed to be a deduction master here by his past of solving cases and the later part when he'll go to the conclusion that there's multiple Kira's etc, so he wasn't supposed to answer there like Kira intended, actually. He was supposed to answer differently to avoid suspicion and have a correct reasoning although incorrect answer. Let me explain:

So, the papers were numbered yes, but like I mentioned it wasn't 1 2 3 (I just meant from lower to higher), aka No.2, No.18, N.21

So, this means it's not from No.1-3 but instead this. What does it get us to if you AREN'T Kira and don't know only 3 papers exist? You might think only 3 exist because L gave 3 yes, but then as someone who's not Kira you'd not be sure of that whatsoever, so you'd see numbers and think like this if you are good at deductions: Were 1, 3-17, 19, 20 all red herrings? Or why would these be numbered like that, or, it might be that this is an incomplete full message seeing the numbers. As when you look normally at it, 2, 18 and 21 together form an incomplete sentence so the message could be way bigger but even if there's a red herring in 1, 3-17, 19, 20, there may then be 22 coming as it's a new information and it might not have been found or didn't happen yet.
Normally when someone with good deduction gets this test:
1. They'd see the sequence together doesn't make sense
Light did that
2. That gets coupled with the fact that 2, 18 and 21 are given but in-betweeners of that are missing
Light somehow didn't get that
3. While No.1 is also missing meaning L didn't show the first letter yet so no reason to assume he has shown the last too, and considering it's an incomplete message you'd actually assume there's more papers.
Light didn't do that. Even if you somehow miss 3, even 2 being noticed would make it very clear and any elementary school average kid would.
Instead Light reassembled them in a way that made immediate sense without anything else getting into account.
But instead, Light simply assumed that the order wasn't correct. So many things point at another thing but Light just comes to that, seeing the amount of things they could be red herrings lots of them or it could actually be a very big message instead, someone who's not Kira but was given the information like that wouldn't say what he said after noticing the numbers yet he did and it was in fact what Kira said in his 3 messages. But you'd not know that unless you are L or Kira.

So, a NORMAL deduction master would then think about the numbers, again, what is missing and why's it numbered 2, 18, 21? So, normally seeing that it doesn't make sense, someone who's good at deduction would not say "not how Kira wanted it to be read" but given the information would say "the message is incomplete based on the fact that when getting it together by sequence doesn't make a complete sentence and that papers are numbered 2, 18, 21 so where's 1, 3-17, 19, 20 and possibly more that wasn't shown? There's more papers that are supposed to be here. And since L gave No.2 and not No.1 you also have no reason to logically believe it ends at 21 as L didn't give the beginning too aka 1 too, and the ending didn't make sense it's logical to also include the possibility of there being something over the 21." Basically, that would all make sense and fit something someone who didn't see those before yet is smart at deduction would say, and L prepared the 4th paper as a confirmation of that, if Light DID use this line of reasoning which basically everything points to when you think about it, L would just present the fourth paper and say Light is correct and would just say that those Inbetweeners were red herrings. L wouldn't be suspicious of Light then. For this answer only ofc, because he did plenty enough before to warrant this
It's the one after which, L, officially, shows us, the readers, that he's sure Light is Kira





If L, worlds greatest detective btw with lots of evidence to suspect Light btw, wasn't hindered by the police, Light would be treated as Kira - Even if Light stayed with his insane plot armour's

[Another thing you're overlooking about L is that he's also childish and hates to lose. So this "certainty" that L had was also due to his stubbornness and because Light was the only suspect, but there were moments when L doubted him, like with potato chip, as I said. L thought it impossible that Light could kill without showing any emotion. And L himself says that all the surveillance in Light's house revealed nothing (Note from me: They should have).]

Now to this I already explained how it's visible that Raye Penber is the only one who could have been encountered by Kira given the evidence, and that L officially was 90-100% sure Light is Kira after the photo test trap, at which Light answered just like Kira would, without actually thinking about shit there, unlike if he got a novel problem on his hand, he just ignored everything. L had very valid reasons to know Light IS Kira not just suspect.

[And as I said in the self-revelation, Light maintained his composure and didn't act suspiciously even under pressure] average composure.

[And a great demonstration of L's fragile ego is when L starts to doubt whether Light was Kira or not in the ML, he becomes depressed because he doesn't want to admit that he could be wrong.]
Because he knew he wasn't, it wasn't possible for him to be wrong, as logically only Light could be Kira, but yet DN power was abysmally strong and the task force just decided to be Light supporters. L was depressed not because he couldn't admit he's wrong but because he knew if this goes on he'll be dead soon, which is also confirmed as L says he'll die soon, and if that'll happen they should know it's Light.

"Either way, L being "sure" that Light is Kira without being able to prove it is useless."
Yes, so, again my point again! Proven. Despite being sure Light is Kira, despite having evidence that only he could be one too, even if we just close our eyes on the plot armours An average person would also be not possible to catch here because you can't prove they are Kira. If we also add on top that said average person is allowed to make shit tons of mistakes and luck will still favour them (all I explained before + Misa is unreasonably into Light to the point of halving her life twice, and Rem is unreasonably into Misa to the point of being the second Shinigami that sacrificed itself for Misa) Then it becomes a cake in the walk too especially since your average joe wouldn't be as suspicious to L since they more than likely won't fail photo test so badly
"Light, with his ML planning, "proved" his innocence with the false rules and killed L before he could test it."
Not really, L had reasons to believe that rule is fake, the task force decided to not give it a try even if it was using a literal death row inmate anyway to test it, if they did even with L's death, Light and Misa would get exposed.

"And Rem's feat isn't average human." (It is)

"This is crazy ngl. Light understood Misa and Rem and their relationship very well."
Literally was stated straight up to Light by Misa that Rem loves her and by Rem that she'll kill anyone for Misa's sake.

"Rem said she would kill Light if anything bad happened to Misa, but could that simply have been a bluff?"
No reason for a death god to bluff btw

"Misa herself didn't expect Rem to do this for her. But Light in ML predicted exactly what Misa and Rem would do and indirectly manipulated Rem into killing L."
Not much was there to predict, and Misa is just very bad at awareness hence she got caught basically instantly when she encountered L. Just because Misa didn't imagine it, doesn't

mean it wasn't obvious considering from the very beginning Rem was going along with Light's plan during his explanation of it just to save Misa
It's funnily enough just because Light was in such a hopeless position despite having so much luck and advantages, that L died because Rem decided it was the only way to save Misa. An average person has no reason to not notice that Rem would kill for Misa' And setting this up is pretty easy in his situation
Bus Hijacking is horrible too btw

There the guy with the gun literally starts shooting in the air right after touching Light's note

He was also saying lots of shit about Ryuk that if Raye also mentioned, would make it clear later on that it was talking about Shinigami

There's also the fact that it's so actually badly covered that NAOMI would cook Light is his plot armoured ass didn't meet her WHILE HEARING HER say she got a lead on Kira

Also, right before she died, he literally goes "I'm Kira"

1. It's a fucking street 💀
2. Wait for it to work first she gave you fake ID before, he didn't wait at all and just went I'm Kira lol
3. One of the people investigating Kira's case with L was walking by pretty closely and ofc didn't hear shit because when it's about Light, the brain's turned off including it's sensory functions
So here's the overall conclusion:

Bus Hijacking - Bad execution, could easily get himself already exposed here if Raye reported the weird incident which he's supposed to, and reported showing his ID to the main suspect he's tailing which he's required to.
The hijacker also was out of control and talking to the Shinigami, if this part was in the report it could very easily be tied to the Death Note's Shinigami
And it also led Naomi on his trail when Raye did tell someone a very small part of what he was supposed to tell to Naomi, who's not close to L.
Aim is bad since Raye could give Light an alibi and trust fund of sorts as if he decided to not kill Raye and it got reported that Raye shown his ID to Light it'd clear him and he could integrate into the task force in the near future through his dad
Conclusion -> Bus Hijacking is horrible
L Isolation - Horrible aim: Even perfect execution would lead to it being confirmed that Kira is one of the 141 people closely tied to the task force
Horrible execution: 8 mistakes, 4-5 plot armours, gives away the capability to control time and actions of his victims, gives away his ability to get into the police database, gives away him being a student even more than before, relies on the investigation not running as deep as it should and his adversary being both blind and deaf on multiple occasions
Self gaslighting and bad awareness: Couldn't notice the mistakes he did, didn't want to even be suspected even though the perfect execution would still lead to a 40m people to 141 people, gaslit himself and tried with Ryuk that he was leading L and the task force on from the beginning which is objectively false, failed at lots of his thinking processes, dynamic understandings and foresights hence barely scrambled by to survive

Conclusion -> L Isolation is horrendous
Potato Chip - Straight up ignores multiple laws of physics and logic (Like Light seeing through the package, the TV not being noticeable, the pen not being noticeable, how he even was able to write it when the pen would be pointing upwards or else it's impossible and his did yet it wasn't noticed even though it shouldn't have been possible to hide in a full package in the first place)
The Mini TV shouldn't have worked well (So many issues from there not being needed an antenna somehow even tho it's supposed to be, another plot convenience)
If anything even if there was no package Light shouldn't have been able to see shit when looking down at it
Even without all that - it still has clear pattern L was shown to catch onto like how Kira instantly killed and went after the small wish as quickly as they were announced which is weird, especially when there's bigger fish out there
Conclusion -> Potato Chip is a horrible plot device that decided to dumb down L and make him blind, had Ryuk help him, had Light being able to put the whole Mini TV into the sealed package, and then make things that would be practically impossible to miss and even then left a pattern that's easily discoverable. An average person can definitely make something even better than this considering the amount of issues being literally staggering. In Light's situation with his plot armours and dumbing of his opponents this actually becomes easy.
Memory Loss - A lot of it is hinging on the task force being on Light's side despite there being evidence pointed at him
A lot of it only happens because of Misa's unnatural affection to him and Rem's to Misa
It's very easy to spot how badly Rem is obsessed with Misa, making it pretty easy to set up
The 13-day rule is very much out of place in comparison to the other rules and is way too blatant after Light submitted himself and just afterwards apparently you can't stop using the DN which is the first ever rule that forces the USER to do something to not die since the whole point is that it gives Shinigami the lifespans so killing the user makes no sense, and their "price" is already losing their soul basically and after their life belonging in neither heaven or hell
Conclusion -> It's very much illogical, hinges on multiple luck instances, pretty easy to make work and figure out how to use the insane amounts of advantages you have as Kira and overall is something an average person can pull off especially with such plot armours and being unreasonably big on advantages even having task force trust you despite evidence against you.
Conclusion overall: An average person is way more likely than not to do way better than Light even if also wanting to somewhy kill L, even tho an average person wouldn't stoop that low to go after something this risky and with no advantage when it goes against your literal first goal of cleansing the world
How Light is as a person:

Not only is he easily throwing away whatever advantages he has over his ego and bad mentality, he's not good at gaining new advantages unless plot armour, he's not good at judging situations either as seen in Photo Test, even when he's supposed to be on alert, his schemes have huge negative value, and he did himself so dirty that actually doing nothing would be a way better idea than the stupidity he was performing and gaslighting himself into thinking it was all according to plan.
"The easiest person to deceive is yourself." — Robert C. Savage
"We lie loudest when we lie to ourselves." — Eric Hoffer

"Confidence turns into pride only when you are in denial of your mistakes." - By idk who
"Rationalizing is faulty, defensive thinking, motivated by the desire to retain self-respect... enabling us to avoid facing issues and to excuse our failures."
"In our reveries we are frequently engaged in self-justification, for we cannot bear to think ourselves wrong, and yet have constant illustrations of our weaknesses and mistakes. So we spend much time finding fault with circumstances and the conduct of others, and shifting on to them with great ingenuity the onus of our own failures and disappointments." - James Harvey Robinson
"Rationalization is a process of not perceiving reality, but of attempting to make reality fit one's emotions." - Ayn Rand

These are some quotes I remember, although there's more ofc, which more or less define Light for me. An egoistical person, who does anything to please his own ego even if it means bringing doom upon himself.
When Ryuk DARED to suggest that L is doing well and is onto Light early on, Light rationalised it, as if he led L all along, including knowing the region of his operation, which we know is absolutely bullshit as Light was visibly caught off guard. His reason? Simple, well, actually not, it's terrible and illogical - 'Now I can use the DN potential to a better degree than before' referring to testing the ability of controlling time and actions, which does not at all require him having to have these trump cards exposed to the task force. Mind you, this same guy was furious at second Kira, aka Misa, for "being dumb enough" to mention Shinigami and something about eyes, something way less crucial than him just giving away so much info about himself, his involvement with police, DN capabilities etc. He doesn't allow such a misstep from second Kira, nor did he from Mikami, but if it's him, he can screw around all he wants in his mind and it's "justifiable". If you look at for example Yuuichi? This guy would not mind getting himself humbled, beaten, betrayed, played or even humiliated, as long as it serves it's purpose and gives him the advantage in the end. I could go on about how aside from the way Light operates and sets his goals and his prioritisement + refusal to see or accept his flaws or mistakes, he also just genuinely is carried hard by DN, plot armours and plot conveniences, but that'd be too long to talk about already, anyway

Light is just genuinely horrible, that's all there is to it. History, philosophers and literature all things would agree on it: Light is an absolute retard

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