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Despair Speaking says

There was a team of basketball players from Teiko Middle School that were so skilled in basketball that they were called the Generation of Miracles. Each of them has a unique ability that made them dominate in their chosen field. They practically DEMOLISHED every other team there is and were always first. So it was natural that every high school wanted a member from this team to go to their school upon their graduation.

The story begins when the basketball club of Seirin High School was looking for freshmen to join their ranks. They had left a sign-up sheet in their recruitment table and were delighted to see that someone from Teiko Middle School had written his name. Who was this Tetsuya Kuroko? Not to mention a tall freshman from America with lots of potential wrote his name too. The basketball club excitedly waited for their first meeting.

When the that time finally came, they found out that the Tetsuya Kuroko that they had such high hopes for was a short, weak, and easy to miss guy. They were all disappointed. Until he showed HIS unique ability. Apparently, his lack of presence allows him to go unnoticed by his opponents, allowing him to make passes and steals that were virtually unstoppable. He is the perfect support type, which is why he managed to hold his own in the team of Teiko Middle School despite his dismal shooting skills and blocking. He proclaims that Kagami will be his new "light", the person he will help to achieve greatness, since he is but a "shadow". This duo then prepares to face the trials they will have to face to defeat the other members of the Generation of Miracles and put Seirin at the top.

I had never really liked stories that involved basketball. I didn't like Slam Dunk. Although there were parts that were funny, they certainly did NOT make up for the boring basketball bits. I mean, seriously, how long can you stay in mid-air thinking about your coach? But Kuroko's Basketball was different. Why?

First of all, the characters were unique and totally loveable. I could not help but care for almost all of the characters I encountered in this manga. Here are my favorites:

1. Tetsuya Kuroko (I know, but he's great! And cute... I can sort of understand Momoi-san's feelings for him although one of her reasons was utterly ridiculous)
2. Ryota Kise (he's funny, handsome, talented, thoughtful, and kind - the perfect combination!)
3. Shintaro Midorima NOT YET INTRODUCED HERE! (he hardly fails to make me laugh when he starts with his inane horoscope stuff! He's also good at basketball and he's nice... in a very weird way. XD)
4. Tatsuya Himuro NOT YET INTRODUCED(very friendly and cool)
5. Seijiro Akashi NOT YET INTRODUCED (he scares me but I still like him...)
6. Shun Izuki (usually the straight man if he's not spouting his puns)
7. Teppei Kiyoshi (his stupidity is amusing and he's a little cute)
8. Kazunari Takao NOT YET INTRODUCED (his friendship with Midorima is really tight)
9. Shoichi Imayoshi NOT YET INTRODUCED (I also don't know why I like him...)
10. Shinji Koganei (he's cuuute!)

Their character developments were wonderful too! (Oh, and sorry Kagami, you're not in the list! I like you but I don't like you enough to be in my top ten!)

Second, the way the story flowed was well-made. It gave brief reprieves from basketball periodically (which is why I never got bored) and showed a lot of interactions between characters. And those interactions are hilarious!

Lastly, the ridiculousness of the abilities that keep you wanting more. It reminds me of Prince of Tennis, their skill in basketball. The awesomeness of the Generation of Miracles is great to watch in of itself.

READ IT!!!

S a n d r a says

Esta no es la primera ni la segunda vez que leo este manga, además de que ya me he visto el anime, pero en cuanto supe que se iba a publicar en español... ¿quién se resiste a tener esta magnífica serie en casa?

Es la primera vez que lo leo en español, porque el manga online lo prefiero en inglés (mayor calidad de traducción no-oficial), es refrescante leerlo en otra lengua y es interesante ver cómo adaptan las expresiones (cosas que los fans no saben hacer), además, me alegro de que mantengan la terminología como 'misdirection' o 'fade away' entre otros en inglés, porque en español hay cosas que sencillamente no quedan tan bien y sonarían forzadas.

Este primer tomo es impresionante porque Kuroko es una saga que empieza con fuerza. Kagami y Kuroko tienen un buen feeling desde el principio y es sencillamente imposible no sonreír y divertirse con Kise, si bien todos los miembros de la Generación de los milagros son interesantes a su manera, creo que Kise es uno de los más encantadores de todos ellos.

Me alegro de que esta sea un rererelectura jajaja porque si no supiera cómo sigue, no creo que pudiese aguantar las ansias de saber qué ocurre a continuación durante todo un mes :D

Mehsi says

So after all the hype, and seeing various people read this, I decided to check it out. Now I am not one for sports anime/manga, but I was still hoping I might enjoy this one. I heard the epic tales of hot boys. Sadly, I didn't really see any hot boys. The boys in this book were just not my type. Kuroko was just bland, Taiga was just too hot-headed, Kise was just meh.

Also the art was just bad/terrible.

The basketball part was pretty awesome, and I love the coach and her ability.

But will I continue this series? I am not sure yet.

Regina says

3.5 stars

At first I wasn't really enjoying it, but the more I read the more entertaining the story became!

I usually read mangas super fast but with this one I couldn't, it's actually a funny story. My grandma came to visit and just casually took the manga and read it, just like that, so yep I had to wait for my grandma to finish

it lol.

I really like Kuroko. He's such an adorable character!

I actually love the way both sport mangas and animes get me so engaged with the competitions. I mean I am a very competitive person in real life and sport themed stories always connect with my destroying the competition spirit. That sounded really weird, but c'mon, I can't be the only one who loves it when a story uses tournaments and competitions as the main plot point, right?

Also this environment creates an amazing tension between characters and that's always been the reason why I can't help but ship everyone in sport themed mangas and animes.

Anyway, it's a really entertaining story!

Guguk says

27 Sep 2015 :

~~*rating : ikut-ikutan Nanna*~~

Bukaaan~ (^,,^)

Memang gak boleh dan gak bisa dibandingin sama Slam Dunk sih, tapi ini lumayan seru-lah~
Gerakannya awal-2 masih gak jelas, tapi makin berlanjut volumenya, gerakan operan dsb-nya makin mengalir~~ kayak sungai~

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Sampai vol.15...

Kuroko menghilang dari pandangan --> salah Kuroko pake jurus

Teman-teman setimnya menghilang --> lagi-lagi salah jurus baru Kuroko

Ini lama-lama penonton + bangku penonton ikut hilang juga kena jurus Kuroko~~~orz

Mau dibikin se-"miracle" apa basket ituu~

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Tapi gambarnya makin keren euy~

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tapi rating diturunin (^ ^;)>

?? (Arra) says

Since I'm a fan of the anime; I have decided to read the manga to differentiate how different platforms of media coincide with each other. And like I am enjoying the anime right now, I also enjoyed reading the first volume of it.

This manga centers around the sports basketball but they make and put basketball in a higher, fun and exciting level also it tackles about friendship, teamwork and how can a person improve himself in times of failure or success. To be honest, you can't deny that anyone might compare this to Slam Dunk which is also my all time favorite sports manga/anime but I believe that both of the manga has it's own color that sparks interest to the readers.

I really like the characters so much, maybe I like Kise, Akashi, Kuroko, Kagami, Teppei a bit but I love the characters most especially from Seirin and the GOM

there are just too many characters that you might like here or either from the Generation of Miracles, from Seirin High (or from different Academies that's been introduce). I also like how this manga is going, whatever it might be :) This manga centers around how the character's bring out their teamwork and their individual strength, and how basketball became their awakening towards their ultimate goal.

This review also applies to the volumes that I read from this manga :)

Anali says

wow...no creí que me gustaría, pero me ha fascinado. Los mangas o animes sobre deportes no me llaman casi nunca la atención, pero este ha sido muy interesante. Sobretudo, Kuroko <3 Lo adoro.

Además los otros miembros del equipo son muy agradables. Aparte, Kagami también es genial, pero su personalidad es un poco difícil y aun tiene muchas cosas que aprender.

Jenna says

Read up to chapter 45. I'm enjoying it thus far even though I can't help but compare it to Slam Dunk. I almost wish it had been slower paced prior to the tournament, to get to know the rest of the teammates better. Koganei, of course, from the name and the habit of making a :3 face, makes me think he's somehow snuck over from Recca no Honou and become average-all-round in the meantime.

Looking at the later drawing style, I'm hopeful. But in the beginning, it's rather awkward in regard to body shape and proportions. The artist is very good at doing profiles, though! But upon zooming out, most of the players look chunky and awkward in their uniforms and their heads look disproportionate on aforementioned bodies. And Kuroko's eyes look rather like eggs... However, just having read these chapters, the drawing style and action have improved immensely.

Will continue reading this later!

Jokoloyo says

The rating is for Book 1, 4 Star.

The quick review below is for the entire series.

It is sport manga series, about high school basketball. From quality of character development and plots, Kuroko no Basuke (KnB) is still worse than Slam Dunk Slam Dunk, Tome 1, a well known basketball manga. But KnB has better unrealistic basketball techniques. These high schoolers have deity-level basketball skills.

The cons:

- There are many overused plots/characterizations in this manga.
- So... there won't be many genuine surprises.
- The final match and final scores are formulaic. The author had tried to mask the formulaic with some little twists at the climax.

The pros:

- since the first chapter, the author already make promise to readers the limit of the story. This is the first manga that I've ever read that set the limit so tangible on the first page! And the author delivered the promise, no more extending the series or creating new arc.

EDIT: in May 2017, there is a sequel in anime movie form, where the story continues. I wish the movie can satisfy the fans.

- The author made Kuroko, the main character, with fresh role. It is uncommon for a main protagonist has a role as assistor in sport manga. The art and techniques of Kuroko are uncommon for main character, usually used by rival characters.
 - super unrealistic basketball techniques. Don't use your common sense, just enjoy the story.
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Swiftsea says

I'm extremely happy that someone has decided to set up a page for Kuroko no Basuke. I searched for it on goodreads in January to no success. Having added a few other new mangas, I was rather worn for tatter already. I'm a keen reader of Kuroko no Basuke on mangafox.

Kuroko is your no ordinary basketball player. He's a shadow. He is neither sensed or seen on court or in classrooms, unless he deliberately makes a move or talks. With a personality that blends itself with the background, hardly anyone notices Kuroko. However, even with his 'ghost-like' personality, he meets Kagami, a student who transfers from the states who holds the same passions as he does on the courts. Together, Kuroko no Basuke, is an engaging story of friendship, sports and the spirit of rivalry. Kuroko no Basuke further engages readers in the spirit of sportsmanship. It highlights the potential of individual talents. Kuroko no Basuke never ceases to lift your spirits. Anyone can play a sport, whether it be basketball etc., as long as you had the spirit too. One of my favourite sport mangas as of yet. Possibly 2nd to Prince of Tennis.

bakanekonomama says

Pertama kali kenalan sama cerita ini waktu nonton anime Gintama. Meskipun nggak begitu ngerti lawakan-lawakannya, tapi episode khusus itu lucu banget. Padahal sebelumnya semacam sadar juga sama manga dan animenya, tapi belum ada dorongan yang kuat untuk membaca atau menonton. Akhirnya setelah direkomendasikan seseorang, saya nonton animenya deh. Dan, jreng jreng.... Jatuh cintalah saya kepada Kuroko no Basket.

Temanya unik, tentang seorang pemain basket bernama Kuroko Tetsuya yang baru masuk SMA. Waktu itu dunia perbasketan sekolah di Jepang sedang geger gara-gara ada yang namanya "Kiseki no Sedai" atau "Generation of Miracle". Mereka adalah lima orang pebasket dari SMP Teikou yang jago banget dan disebut-sebut cuma ada sekali dalam sepuluh tahun. Tapi ternyata si Generation of Miracles itu isinya bukan hanya lima orang, ada orang keenam yang bagaikan bayangan dan keberadaannya nggak diketahui banyak orang. Dia punya kemampuan unik yang nggak dimiliki oleh pebasket kebanyakan. Dan, dia adalah Kuroko.

Jadi si Kuroko ini seorang anak cowok yang biasa banget, bahkan kalau lagi main basket dia cenderung lemah. Fisiknya juga nggak kuat-kuat amat. Keberadaan dia jarang disadari sama orang-orang, yang sering bikin kaget karena tau-tau dia nongol di satu tempat. Tapi hal itulah yang justru jadi kunci kekuatan Kuroko. Dengan memanfaatkan kesannya yang nggak menonjol itu, dia melakukan *misdirection* untuk mengalihkan perhatian lawan sehingga dia bisa melakukan passing ke rekannya dengan lancar.

Si Kuroko masuk ke sebuah SMA bernama Seirin. Seirin ini SMA baru dan Kuroko adalah generasi kedua. Meskipun baru, tapi klub basket mereka ternyata lumayan kuat karena berhasil masuk babak final penyisihan grup di ajang bergengsi pertandingan basket, Interhigh. Di sana Kuroko bertemu dengan Kagami Taiga, yang dari kecil sampai SMP tinggal di Amerika. Si Kagami ini orangnya berisik, panas, cuek, dan makannya banyak. Tipikal tokoh utama di komik shounen lain. Tapi di sini justru dia yang jadi tokoh pendamping. Yes! Kagami punya obsesi buat mengalahkan Generation of Miracles dan Kuroko bertekad untuk mewujudkan impian itu dengan menjadi bayangan Kagami.

Oh iya, teman-teman setim Kuroko, yang disebut Generation of Miracles itu masing-masing masuk SMA yang beda. Mereka semua masuk ke SMA yang kuat tim basketnya. Nah, di volume pertama ini baru dimunculin satu orang, yaitu Kise Ryota, si model yang juga pemain basket yang jago banget meniru teknik khusus lawannya.

Sebenarnya apa yang disembunyikan Kuroko? Apa yang terjadi dengan Generation of Miracles?

Sebagai orang yang kesannya juga nggak kuat, saya merasa terharu ada komik dengan tokoh semacam ini. Hiks :"> Pokoknya si Kuroko ini beda sama tokoh utama kebanyakan. Sebenarnya jarang-jarang saya suka sama tokoh utama. Soalnya tokoh utama kan kesannya gitu, menonjol, biasanya berisik, punya keahlian khusus dan lebih jago dari temen-temennya. Saya biasanya lebih suka sama pemeran pendukung. Nah, tapi di sini saya suka sama Kuroko.

Entah kenapa, waktu nonton animenya ingatan saya melayang ke komik yang saya baca jaman SMP dulu, Harlem Beat. Kesan yang saya dapat mirip dengan komik itu. Lucu, seru, dan masing-masing tokoh punya ikatan yang kuat satu sama lain. Meskipun kalo Harlem Beat saya mah biasa-biasa aja sama pemeran utamanya.

Sebenarnya sih karena udah nonton animenya, baca volume 1 ini jadi berasa nggak ada kejutan-kejutannya.

Gambarnya juga agak beda sama animenya. Wajar sih, karena ini kan terbit tahun 2008. Seorang mangaka pasti mengalami perubahan seiring dengan berjalannya waktu. Tapi saya akan tetap melanjutkan membaca, karena saya masih belum siap berpisah dengan Kuroko dan kawan-kawannya yang lucu dan memesona.

Mad says

This is my current favorite manga and anime. I started reading it when I came across it while looking for manga in mangahere.com. It's been a while since I read any sport manga so I checked it out. I was quickly hooked and couldn't stop until my eyes hurt. I finished until the latest chapter the next day. I could hardly concentrate on anything else. It was that good! I recommend it for all sport manga lovers and basketball lovers!

Mayu says

It is really really good!!!!!!! I like a manga that have making effort and friendship, so Kurokono Basket is completely my type. I think the most interesting part of vol. 2 was the scene of basketball ! The drawing is amazing! I can feel as same things as characters. They were very strong and positive! I I want to know the winner of the match as soon as possible!

Sophie says

Okay, honestly, Sophie: a BASKETBALL series? That's what I've been asking myself ever since watching the first episode of the anime, after which I was completely sucked it. I watched the whole season in one week (which is really fast for me when it comes to watching anime) and afterwards I decided I wanted to read the manga, too. The anime followed the manga pretty closely, so it was a bit repetitive for me and nowhere near as exciting as watching the anime was (with the exception maybe of the Aomine/Kise match, that was still exciting and I was rooting for the losing team again) but once I got to the unknown parts it got really suspenseful again. The matches are really exciting and there is enough explanation that even I understand what's going on (though I hope no one ever asks me what a double clutch is...). But like with any great series the characters are what make or break it and dear god believe me that I love just about every single one of them so far and they're so many!

At the heart of it are of course Kagami and Kuroko - Seirin's light and shadow. Together they make a pact to defeat the generation of miracles- a group of insanely strong players who were on the same team as Kuroko during middle school. But the key point is that you end up rooting not only for Seirin- as you get to know the characters, you don't want their teams to lose, either. (The match between Shukoku and Seirin was horrible for me because Midorima is my favourite but Seirin!) That also makes it possible to have a bit of variation, which is nice because the it really is in the nature of this kind of series to be repetitive : team wins, team loses, team trains, team gets stronger, wash, rinse, repeat.

But it really is exciting so far (at this point I've read the first 12 volumes and now I need to slow down a bit maybe because I'm getting overexcited.), and the series has a nice sense of humour. And the underlying message of the importance of team play and trust and friendship...it's just, well, nice.

The main reason I love this, though, is (to I am sure no one's surprise) that, well, it has a lot of subtext. You could also say it's slashy as hell and I ship just about every one with everyone and I don't even know what to

do anymore. Usually I have, like one OTP and maybe a side pairing but here it's like they want me to ship EVERYONE and there are so many! It's quite a dilemma, really. And there are about a billion supertalented fan artists out there who draw really nice pictures of these guys that let me forget that they're still high school boy. 'Nuff said. Anyway, a fun series with lots of slashy stuff in it that has managed to completely suck me in, so there you go. I'll stop rambling now, but DAMN was that ever necessary!

Ashley Chen says

drools HOT HOT HOT! OTP OTP!
