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A young boy named Roxas whiles away the last days of his summer vacation with his three best friends in their quiet little home of Twilight Town. But all is not as it should be in this hamlet nestled between night and day. Strange things keep happening around Roxas, which always seem to involve mysterious creatures...and he is plagued by dreams of a boy named Sora, whom he has never met. Bewildered, Roxas searches for answers . . . Will they lead him to Sora, Donald, and Goofy?

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# Kimberlee says

It's slightly annoying that the first volume and a half a pretty much the tutorial featuring Roxas from KH2. I mean, I was expecting that, but it didn't make it any less boring. There were some odd panels spread throughout (The fact that Hayner and Ollette wield a baseball bat with nails hammered into it was. . . interesting. . .?) I can honestly say I was surprised by the humor that goes on, especially in the background. Some of the dialogue and interactions of the characters had me laughing out loud. That said, some of the humor. . . geez it was weird. These generally have the same review as the first KH manga: Good for a review of the series. Worth the peruse. Not a masterpiece. Would recommend.

Also, I read these books in chronological order instead of publication order, which means I read the manga for 358/2 first before this series. There is a quality change, but it's negligible. (Yes I preferred 358/2).

# **Holly Letson says**

A wonderful beginning to the 3rd series of KH mangas.

#### Allie says

3.5 Stars.

I made the mistake of getting this from the library without realizing that it's the first book in the sequel series... I decided to try reading it in the hopes that it was a separate story and I wouldn't get confused, but I ended up pretty confused... It ended up explaining some things later on, but it took over half of the manga for me to actually get into this book (therefore the added half star, otherwise this would've been a 3 star.). I might re-read this one once I read the first series, but probably not because I'm sure it'll be easy to remember what happened in this one.

I'm almost positive that I'm going to really love this series once I read the first one because once the main characters and the main world came into the story, I was hooked! (The first Disney characters they come upon are Beauty and the Beast!) I just had little to no connection with the first two-thirds of the book... But I plan on getting the first series soon, so hopefully, when I return to this one, I'll have a better understanding of the world and what's going on!

## Laulitta says

J'ai eu du mal à entrer dans l'histoire qui est très complexe car je n'avais pas joué aux jeux vidéos. Roxas est un jeune garçon attachant, courageux et intrépide. On retrouve l'univers de la Belle et la Bête. Les dessins sont bien faits et nous donne envie de poursuivre l'aventure.

# Child960801 says

I picked this book up and started it before noticing the II in the title, so really, I shouldn't be surprised that it doesn't make sense. A boy named Roxas and his friends hang out during summer vacation but then it turns out he isn't real, he's somebody else? The thing that I found weirdest where the Disney characters. Donald, Goofy, Merlin, Beast and others. I kept wondering if the author had got licensing rights from Disney before starting the story.

# Kairi says

I just love KH stuff.

## **Augene Chung says**

Kingdom Hearts II is a great book if you know what is happening. I personally have had a Kingdom Hearts video game so I know what's happening. In the 1st half of the book the story is about a boy named Roxas. He always dreams about friends that he doesn't know, and adventures he never had. One fateful day he learns the secret about him and the weird stuff going on. In the 2nd half of the book it changes perspective to a boy named Sora. He wields the keyblade, a key to every world. He faces organization 13 in the story, trying to stop whatever they are plotting. It is a great story that game enthusiasts can enjoy.

## Lesincele Viaja gracias a los libros says

Tenía muchas ganas de leer estos tomos y para ser el primero me ha gustado como está desarrollada y loa dibujos. A ver que tal siguen aunque me sepa la historia.

#### Fairytaillover22 says

I've always been so lost with Kingdom Hearts, and this manga managed to clear up a few things, though not much honestly. The characters are still enjoyable, but the story is always so weird and convoluted at times. We're seven volumes in, and barely anything has really been explained. I'm still confused about why three kids were left to fend for themselves on an island, never mind the significance of this Organization XIII.

# Victoria says

It is a great book to read

#### liv says

i literally own this and i've read it millions of times because i bought it at a school book fair in like 2007 but somehow i barely remembered anything from it?????

## Jessica says

Yes, I'm still continuing with my nostalgic reread of these, it's honestly been so much fun revisiting them. I almost want to replay the games again, but they do have a tendency to be time-consuming. I also have been more in a reading mood than a gaming mood, but that's neither here nor there.

Anyway, I'm impressed that Amano managed to adapt the KH2 game prologue with way less padding. And as much as the games got me invested in Roxas' character eventually, I wasn't as invested in him toward the beginning of KH2 as I was in this volume. I thought Amano did an excellent job in making more of a properly dynamic character out of Roxas than even the game did. This is an adaptation where everything that was cut and everything that was added were pretty solidly good decisions.

I still hate Ansem the Wise, though. That hasn't changed much over the years. :P

# **Shannon says**

The art is beautiful and naturally, the story is pretty fantastic. I wouldn't try and read these without having played the game first, though.

#### Jace says

It has a great adaptation to the start of the game, truly enjoyed it!

## Riku says

I love the Kingdom Hearts games and the manga is amazing. REALLY FUNNY! And the plot is great but very confusing ( it's FRICKING Kingdom Hearts )