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A manga series that packs quite the punch!

Nothing about Saitama passes the eyeball test when it comes to superheroes, from his lifeless expression to his bald head to his unimpressive physique. However, this average-looking guy has a not-so-average problem - he just can't seem to find an opponent strong enough to take on! He's easily taken out a number of monsters, including a crabby creature, a malicious mosquito girl and a muscly meathead. But his humdrum life takes a drastic turn when he meets Genos - a cyborg who wants to uncover the secret behind his strength!

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From Reader Review One-Punch Man, Vol. 2 for online ebook

Lashaan Balasingam (Bookidote) says

Saitama's mission to find someone who would actually be a challenge for him continues in volume 2. This time around he runs into some intriguing villains that not only unveils his secret (and hilarious) origin story, but also an opponent (a ninja with a peculiar name) who will shatter Saitama's reality by attacking his reputation.

The artwork continues to be strong and detailed, and will probably never wither in quality!

Yours truly,

Lashaan | Blogger and Book Reviewer
Official blog: <http://bookidote.wordpress.com>

Jamie says

****Review in Progress****

I liked this one a bit better than the first. The characters have more depth, we have a bit more time to know our villains. The dialogue continues to amuse me. Saitama is one oddball hero. We get to learn a bit of him past in this one which I liked. We learn more of the House of Evolution but that was a bit disappointing so far. I was hoping for a deeper story there but not yet. We meet a ninja named Sonic who intrigued me as a character. The bloody violence aspect is stronger in this one. The last volume was more action but this one is more violent it seems

Roy says

This picked up an overall story arc with some background characterisation. Really enjoyed this more than Vol 1.

Brendan says

This just improved upon the first book and grew into a completely new and often, hilarious story. The first book had its moments but this flew and gave interesting insight into our flawed unknown hero. One punch is my first asian graphic series and it is one of the best I have read, this book just reinforced my interest. The new characters only add to the mythology and I can't wait to see where they take the character next.

Jedi JC Daquis says

What makes One-punch man different from any other manga is that though it still conforms with the general

"fight bad guys and make readers root for the protagonist since he is both cool and funny" shonen manga, it has a lot of quirks and deviations that one can see it as a parody of the same medium it is written.

For one, Saitama doesn't have that cheesy motivation, no Hokage dreams or finding my father kind of stuff. He's just an exaggeratingly strong guy who beats all his enemies with just one punch. So it is interesting to see how the series moves on without the drama of losing or the charm of the mantra "I'm getting stronger after each fight". Volume 2 pulls it off with funny antics and perfectly executed punchlines and two contrasting protagonists: we have Saitama and cyborg Genos.

Violence is another key. Everybody knows Saitama is going to beat all with just one punch, so the sheer amount of violence in the illustrations help sustain the fun factor and thrill in the story. Second is variety. One-punch man's backstory is revealed rather gradually, but the calculated exposition and slow story development is filled with interesting characters. Last, there is humor. One-punch Man's jokes and funny antics are spot-on and effective.

Volume 2 continues to be great, if not better than the debut volume. It is funny even for my age, violent and different. I'm a fan now.

Naailah says

I've grown very fond of Speed of Sound Sonic. I can see why this series is so popular, I need to start watching it during the winter break.

Erica says

Peter, if you get this far in your One Punch Man reading, this is the volume in which he explains his superhero training regimen.

Todd, if you get this far in your One Punch Man reading, I expect to hear your squeals of delight when you find your beloved Speed-o'-Sound Sonic shows up in this one.

There's not a lot to say about these stories. I'm familiar with One Punch Man through Gabe's group of geeks who watch anime. This is one of their shows and I have been present for a viewing or two so I can now verify that the anime follows the manga pretty well.

It's all delightful and silly in its satirization of the over-the-top hero story. However, for me, it needs to be taken in small bites because it gets boring quickly if I read too much at once. Except for when Mumen Rider, the bicyclist for justice, is involved. He's pretty much good all the time and also, the most relatable because if I still rode my bike, I'd be that level of superhero.

Connor says

[4.5 Stars] Super funny. I can't wait to get my hands on the next two volumes.

✿ cassandra ✿ says

Can we all just take a minutes silence of Sonic's balls?

Waukesha says

Great story and more character development, funny but I liked the first volume more

Mizuki says

13 pages into the story, I laughed myself half to death over this one:

Defeated minor villain: **explains his boss's evil plan in great length**

One-punch Man: *Your backstory is too long! It has nothing to do with me! Go straight to the point!*

One-punch Man's pupil: *Master is a busy man! Tell your backstory within 20 words!*

Defeated minor villain: *I'm sorry! In short, our boss, Dr. Evil is interested in your body.*

One-punch Man: *I'm not into guys.*

One-punch Man's pupil: *Master, it isn't what he means, he means his boss wants to use your body for his evil experiments.*

You are going to find more amazing statements/quotes within this volume.

I like the first story, but the second story isn't so good. Still, thankfully the next volume is very interesting.

Nicola Mansfield says

Oh, this is even better than the first one! So silly and yet it follows your standard shonen plot. Bad guy/battle then repeat. But the dialogue is hilarious and I find One-Shot adorable. This isn't cutesy, though, it's pretty violent. One-punch had to fight a bunch of bald guys who totally pissed him off for taking his look (they did deserve it, they were really bad guys) and I'm anxious to see if Genos will lose his hair too after all the training. LOL. Can't wait for next book!

GrilledCheeseSamurai says

One Punch Man, the Superhero for fun is back - and better than ever.

The artwork in this Manga is insanely good! I'd be happy enough just thumbing through the pages of these books taking in the panels and not even reading the words.

But there are words, and the dialogue just takes this story over the top and makes it something, even more, special than just pretty pictures.

We start off with the House Of Evolution storyline, which gives us Saitama's secret origin story, which swings into the Hammerhead storyline, and then we get the crazy Ninja chick, Speed Of Sound Sonic story.

I love the 'creature of the week' feel to this book. The characters are wacky and full of quirks and completely entertaining.

Such a fun book! Just like the first volume, I have no problem throwing all five stars at this one!

Maria says

Sonic with his 'EVIL GRIN'. ?? So much love.

Ashish Iyer says

These are funny stories. I love the villains who simply are tearing down society because they don't want to get a job. Still, there really isn't much of a story here. But it is getting a little better
