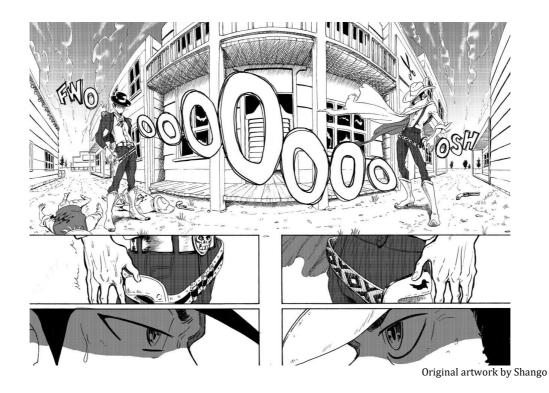


Recommended Manga to read by Shangomola Edunjobi



The Promised Neverland

by Kaiu Shirai and Posuka Demizu Publisher: VIZ Media LLC; Translation edition (14 Dec. 2017) ISBN-10: 1421597128

The promised Neverland follows Emma, a child raised in Grace field orphanage, not realizing her and all the other children are trapped there. It is bone chilling, exciting and tense! The mind games begin as Emma and her friends try to uncover the mystery and purpose behind Grace field, and what happens to those who are adopted? As it is a story about people confined to a single living space, readers at home I'm sure will relate and connect even more so under lockdown!

<u>Vinland Saga</u>

by Makoto Yukimura Publisher: Kodansha Comics (15 Oct. 2013) ASIN: B00CCOO6RK

Dealing with loss and feelings of revenge in the turbulent violence of the Viking Empire, Vinland follows Thorfinn, a young boy part of a band of mercenary Vikings led by the cunning Askeladd. What does it mean to be a warrior? How and why do you fight? And what do you fight for? Just some of the underlying themes in this beautifully illustrated masterpiece. Where does freedom of this cycle of death lay? In Vinland? If you like a medieval style setting, gritty realistic violence and slices of comedy, this story is for you. Guaranteed to pull you out of your home and into a world of adventure. The days will fly by.

<u>Bakuman</u>

by Tsugumi Ohba and Takeshi Obata Publisher: VIZ Media: SHONEN JUMP; Original edition (7 Jun. 2011) ASIN: B00F3HJPII

Have you ever wondered what it takes to be a manga creator? To compete against hundreds of other creators for a slot in a publishing magazine, to dedicate hours and tirelessly churn out chapter after chapter weekly, just to keep that slot? Bakuman is the story of two school kids risking it all in the pursuit of a professional manga career. I myself have learnt so much about the world of being a professional creator through reading this series, and I have developed much appreciation to the artists. The life of a manga creator is almost akin to that of someone under lockdown. It takes hours of passion to sit at the desk and draw everyday. If you are an aspiring creator yourself, read this, get motivated and great creating. Now is the prefect time!

<u>Pluto</u>

by Naoki Urasawa Publisher: Viz Media, Subs. of Shogakukan Inc; 01 edition (29 Oct. 2009) ISBN-10: 9781421519180

An amazing story adapted from Osamu Tezuka's Astro Boy. It is a tense, suspenseful thriller! The destruction of the Powerful Swiss robot Mont Blanc, the murder of robot rights key figures, the seven great robots of the world targeted by a mysterious foe. Can robot detective Gesicht find the connection? Now at home and under social lockdown we are interacting with technology more than ever. This story should inspire the imagination to the future after lockdown and how much more influential technology could be in our lives to come.

<u>One Piece</u> by Eiichiro Oda Publisher: VIZ Media: SHONEN JUMP (9 July 2011) ASIN: B00F3HG7ES

One of my favorite manga of all time, One piece is one big grand adventure, entertaining through and through! Follow Luffy, a young pirate as he builds his crew of crazy individuals in search of the ultimate treasure, One Piece! It will tickle your heart with its crazy art style and wacky personalities. One of the longest running manga it will be hard to run out of reading! It will be able to fill up your time and outlast this lockdown! The world of this story is so big and can offer a great escape from the 4 walls of your reading room.



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