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Thread: [Most Common Anime Debate: Dubbed or Subbed?](#)

Kayelkay - March 17, 2013, 3:49 pm

I'm pretty sure most otakus know about the most common debate when it comes to anime, and there doesn't seem to be one here on HF.

The ultimate question gets the ultimate discussion: do you like it dubbed, or do you prefer the original voices?

I have always been watching dubs. I normally refuse to watch anything subbed, but if it's only available as a sub and no one has fandubbed it, then I have no choice. Plus, I think anime characters sound cooler with american voices.

Alexchaos - March 17, 2013, 3:51 pm

Original voices are best.

SUB>DUB

:)

Phaxol - March 17, 2013, 3:54 pm

Subbed for me. For some reason, I really really hate fan-dubs.

King~ - March 17, 2013, 3:56 pm

If the dub is good I watch the dub

If the dub is bad or there is no dub, I watch the sub

Simple as that ^_^

I don't watch fandubs either

Cystomatic - March 17, 2013, 4:07 pm

Sub>Dubs

I hate dubs and I don't know why ;3

syntaXeRRoR - March 17, 2013, 4:10 pm

Subs. Whenever I hear English pronunciation of Japanese names I want to slice my throat.

Hentai? - March 17, 2013, 4:12 pm

1. You can check both boxes, should change that.

2. Subs over dubs anyday, the only good dubs I ever heard was from soul eater.

Money Maker Mike - March 17, 2013, 4:13 pm

As the majority of dubbing is done by those with American accents... I find it impossible to watch. It just sounds... corny.

Subbed.

Kayelkay - March 17, 2013, 4:16 pm

(Mar 17, 2013 04:12 PM)Hentai? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) 1. You can check both boxes, should change that.

Yeah I did that on purpose, what if you like dubs and subs?

Alexchaos - March 17, 2013, 4:19 pm

Also,

[Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TwxTwzBwNH4>]

When Kuroneko says "Nii-san"..? You won't EVER see this in an english dub.

KinGxKeV - March 17, 2013, 4:19 pm

Like most of AA I pretty much watch subbed.

I only good dubs, but not as much.

I never watch fan-dubs.

Drugs? - March 17, 2013, 4:21 pm

Subs over dubs. I hate the way most dubs sound.

Montie-Kin - March 17, 2013, 4:27 pm

Subbed. I too cringe at the English pronunciation of the Japanese words but the main reason why I watch anime in Japanese is simply because the best anime to watch is only in Japanese. I'm also learning Japanese so that helps and the Japanese voice cast is magnificent. I cried watching AnoHana due to the help of the acting performance from the voice cast. So much emotion. There's a good number of dubbed anime out there but ultimately, it feels better to enjoy it in it's native tongue.

N!ck - March 17, 2013, 5:14 pm

Its not even a debate, subbed is better.

Dubbed voice artists are usually underpaid people who don't really even fit their roles. Also dubbed anime is usually censored.

BlackholesOnii-Chan - March 17, 2013, 5:16 pm

Please use the search feature. There has been lots of these threads discussing about it.

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Howl - March 17, 2013, 5:16 pm

Subbed all the way. I tried watching Clannad dubbed, wanted to shoot myself. The characters sounded a lot younger and I believe dubbed makes the anime lose its emotional value often.

msan - March 17, 2013, 5:19 pm

I only watch dub if they are top quality like DBZ or FMAB, but if the dubs are made by fans or some shit like that then I watch the subs.

Funnybunch50 - March 17, 2013, 5:28 pm

SUBS>DUBS I've never heard a good dub plus I'm learning Japanese anyway!! ^.^

MidnightRuin - March 17, 2013, 5:49 pm

Subs are a million times better :3 it pulls you into the experience better !

Badside416 - March 17, 2013, 6:26 pm

I would have to agree with you, I only watch dub unless these isn't one.

neightworks - March 17, 2013, 7:14 pm

I like dubs and subs, dubs only bother me when they are god awful ex: Green Green.

??nsomnia™ - March 17, 2013, 7:18 pm

I know that subs give you the "authentic" feel, but as long as a dub isn't bad I will watch it.

I usually do my homework or something while watching so I can't really have my eyes on the screen the whole time.

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Not paying 100% attention is the main reason I like dubs

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Also another thing about dubs is that it allows me to focus more on the visuals when I want to, not just the bottom of the screen.

But if there was a REALLY good looking anime series I'd much rather watch it subbed than wait like 3 years for a dub.

Kenji Harima - March 17, 2013, 8:06 pm

I only watch subbed because I usually have to, but if there is a good dub count me in.

Anal Voyage. - March 17, 2013, 8:21 pm

Subbed.

Dubbed never portrays the right feel of the character.

And the emotional cheesy stuff sound super lame in English.

Unless it's DBZ or something.

Hentai? - March 17, 2013, 8:22 pm

(Mar 17, 2013 04:16 PM)Green Blockhead Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Yeah I did that on purpose, what if you like dubs and subs?

That doesn't matter the question said do you like subs Or dubs. Not if you liked both. ?

Kakashi Hatak? - March 17, 2013, 8:23 pm

Yup I enjoy subs nothing better then the original.

RhymeSayers - March 17, 2013, 8:30 pm

I like Dubbed because Japanese voice actors have no emotion when they speak, when you get real American voice actors you can really feel the emotion in the characters.

Lol JK dubbed is gay as fuck.

Alexchaos - March 17, 2013, 9:10 pm

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Hahaha you almost got me there. ?

dcnt - March 17, 2013, 10:54 pm

I much prefer subbed.

As some others said, I prefer the original voices and listening to Americans pronounce Japanese names... shudder

Elweth - March 17, 2013, 11:05 pm

I will go for sub, it's more original in a sense. Besides, I find dub ruining the show, it's really weird.

Ryuuji Takasu - March 18, 2013, 3:14 am

Subbed almost every dub I looked up was bad or the audio was too late or too soon so I gave up on dubs and looked for subs :D

Tarn - March 18, 2013, 3:37 am

Subbed before dubbed phaggot 3:

friends don't let friends watch dubbed anime

Xbox™ - March 18, 2013, 10:44 am

I prefer subbed anime because most dubbed anime are fan dubbed, so some things may not be translated correctly.

also so I can mute my sound and listen to music as I watch anime.

Osuka - March 18, 2013, 11:42 am

I would rather watch them in Subs, Why? because when I really wanna focus on the characters and the story I watch it in Subbed and when I just wanna relax and lay down and see an anime without reading the subs every time I watch it Dubbed. :)

Sokyoku - March 18, 2013, 12:59 pm

Subs for me! I just appreciate anime more with the original voice actors, as it was made. Dubs...dubs make me sad face sometimes

Nathann22 - March 18, 2013, 1:07 pm

Subbed.

Dubs... voice actors that do it into English just don't seem to give two shits about the setting.

Was watching one can't remember what it was and the girl was crying and in monotone voice "I've always loved you"

Pat. - March 18, 2013, 8:57 pm

I prefer dubs just because I don't like straining my eyes watching subbed on my computer monitor.

CyberneticTitan - March 18, 2013, 10:19 pm

I will always prefer subbed videos. The original Japanese voices have a sense of feeling to it the English voice actors don't. The only time I probably used dubbed videos is probably Pokemon.

The.Bronze.Shroud - March 18, 2013, 11:05 pm

Completely depends. What I can get. Can't get dubbed I will watch subbed. Can't watch subbed I will watch dubbed. Also depends on what I can actually find. Some times I have a tough time finding subbed so I watch dubbed. Not fussed unless it's been censored too much. Like Yugioh? I would watch that in subbed any day.

Sorun - March 19, 2013, 1:02 am

Dubs are always fun to watch.

Hue

semi_blind - March 19, 2013, 8:45 am

I'll always vote for subbed anime. Fansubs FTW!

The only anime that I think sounds good dubbed would be DBZ. The original Japanese voice of Goku sounds silly X3

Karaexia - March 19, 2013, 11:17 am

I'd take sub over dub anyway, anytime.

Levi - March 19, 2013, 11:26 am

Subbed, unless I just want to have background noise.

Loget - March 19, 2013, 12:00 pm

It depends on the show, but generally I prefer subbed. Certain shows are better watched dubbed though (Baccano! comes to mind).

7nxoh3 - March 19, 2013, 5:58 pm

I like Japanese voices more, but it's sort of distracting from the show itself. Then again, that's a chance to learn some Japanese words so, still, subbed over dubbed.

Fidelity - March 19, 2013, 6:21 pm

Subs>Dubs Don't know why just like them better

Hubris - March 19, 2013, 8:21 pm

I can read quite fast, and I hate hearing American voices in the anime, I would rather hear the original voices, so I am going to have to say Subbed. But it just comes down to personal preference...

Programmargorp - March 19, 2013, 9:57 pm

Dubbed anime is like Internet Explorer, useless but occasionally good for beating.
No seriously, I'd rather not watch an anime than watch it dubbed.

Effortless - March 20, 2013, 12:35 am

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Sorun - March 20, 2013, 12:43 am

(Mar 20, 2013 12:35 AM)Effortless Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Ever watched toaru kagaku no railgun dubbed? Holy crap my ear started bleeding after I heard Misaka's voice during the trailer.

Didn't even freaking know it was dubbed, definitely have to get that soon. Oh me oh my I can't wait to hear kurokos VA.

Professor Pantsu - March 20, 2013, 5:17 am

Unless you're illiterate there's no reason to chose dubbed. American voice actors are for the most part, terrible. There's obviously exceptions though. But I believe movies, t.v., anime, etc should always be viewed in as close to their native form as possible.

VampirePKer - March 20, 2013, 9:36 am

I prefer both, but it's different for me with every anime.

It all depends on the characters personality, for example, I like dubbed for Naruto as a kid, but subbed when he has full control of his chakra and can go sage mode.

Toonami - March 21, 2013, 3:34 am

Without a doubt subs are the way to go. As many others have said, an anime is better appreciated when viewed in its native/original form. At least that's my opinion, but then again that just might be the purist in me talking. Plus, the emotions are better portrayed with a Japanese voice actor than an American one.

Now that doesn't mean that there aren't any good dubs out there. I've heard enough good ones imo to know they exist although they are a rare breed. I'll admit that it is nice to not have to look at the bottom of your screen the entire time. When I was watching Angel Beats sometimes I couldn't keep up because not only were the characters saying a lot of information, they were saying it hella fast. That's the only anime that I think it took away from the experience albeit a small part.

theFILTHYhelmet - March 21, 2013, 3:41 am

Subs are way better! I can't stand the voice actors on some of the dubbed anime.

sK. spawn - March 21, 2013, 3:44 am

I prefer SUBBED before DUBBED.

I have watched dubbed animes after subbed ones and I just couldn't stand them, it's like voices do not fit or over-acting.

R?born - March 21, 2013, 7:10 am

I really don't mind watch dubbed and subbed however I'll usually watch sub if I can as I'm usually too lazy to watch the screen and read for 20 minutes even if they usually have shitty voice actors

Madara-Uchiha - March 21, 2013, 12:54 pm

Of course Sub!

I don't like the translation when they say Japanese Words in English. That sounds... shitty!