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Thread: [Anime fans keep bashing me for not liking subbed](#)

Leo Draco - July 14, 2014, 1:02 pm

Ok so I'm not an "otaku" Yeah I like anime I've watched 20-30 animes I can talk to them with friends but the second they hear I only watched dubbed they treat me as if im not worthy of anime this is getting annoying why do you guys care? I dislike reading as I watch tv I occasionally need to check my phone and hate pausing/rewinding I like knowing what I'm watching while I'm looking away why are otakus like this?

neightworks - July 14, 2014, 1:07 pm

Do what you want to do, elitist scum isn't something to be bothered by.

CCBM - July 14, 2014, 1:12 pm

Dubs just aren't as good as subs in most cases.

Personally, I have no problem if a person watches dubbed anime.

A lot of dubs such as Cowboy Bebop, Space Dandy, Ghost Stories, Trigun and FMAB are exceptional.

Spoiler ([Click to View](#)) I know there's a lot more than that, but I just listed off the main ones that most people know.

Tedeschi - July 14, 2014, 1:14 pm

"treat me as if im not worthy of anime" that's pretty funny, don't be upset.

Vegas - July 14, 2014, 1:55 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 01:07 PM)Nater Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Do what you want to do, elitist scum isn't something to be bothered by.

Pretty much. The fact that they at all judge you by such a reasonable preference is just silly. Laugh righteously at how foolish they look and live on d:

Manny - July 14, 2014, 1:57 pm

OP just ignore them? Who cares if they laugh at you just because you like dubbed anime. I personally hate dubbed anime but I won't go around making fun of people that like it..

Perfectionist - July 14, 2014, 1:59 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 01:57 PM)#Herb Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) OP just ignore them? Who cares if they laugh at you just because you like dubbed anime. I personally hate dubbed anime but I won't go around making fun of people that like it..

That's exactly what I think, there's nothing wrong in watching dubbed anime..

Hunting Rifle - July 14, 2014, 2:00 pm

The Japanese is also dubbed. Some dubs are good, some are worse. I prefer dubbed, even the bad once.

Vegas - July 14, 2014, 2:03 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 02:00 PM)King~ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It's usually agreed that the Japanese dubs (excluding a few exceptions) give more emotion and are all around of a higher quality. Good quality subs will also try to take as little "liberty" with the translation as possible which gives you an experience closer to what the creators intended, which I feel is very important.

Japanese versions are easily more passionate but I would never, ever watch an anime in Japanese for the FIRST time unless it was the only way to watch it. I don't like to read while I watch, simple as that. It's just distracting.

(Jul 14, 2014 02:00 PM)King~ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) About your reasoning, tell someone who's passionate about film that you distract yourself with your phone and such during one and I'm sure they'd likely be upset (maybe not the best word) with you.

Absolutely agreed. Wouldn't want to ruin a good anime on the first watch by distracting myself with subs.

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Leo Draco - July 14, 2014, 2:26 pm

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Happeh - July 14, 2014, 2:28 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 02:26 PM)Chi_Shinigami_man123 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) As I said I watch it casually I don't get super into it (Besides fairytail no idea why but that anime just I love it)

Thats totally fair if you just want to relax and are a casual viewer; but at the same time I don't blame your friends if they call you out for not watching subs (other than the fact they're convincing you wrong), you miss so much in dubs, the emotion, the literal meanings and so on.

Dragon. - July 14, 2014, 2:32 pm

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Personally, I don't watch many shows that in their English dub. I prefer the Japanese dub more because they seem more realistic, fit the characters more, and display so much more emotion than the English dub.

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Cadarus - July 14, 2014, 2:35 pm

My friend once said to me "different strokes for different folks."

I personally watched subbed, but english dubbed sounds perfectly fine to me

Leo Draco - July 14, 2014, 2:42 pm

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I've watched one subbed anime all the way though and that was the dbz battle of the gods movie and I seriously hear no difference and tbh I prefer the sound of the american voices I know that sounds messed up but I just don't like how high pitched alot of the voices are it annoys me to a degree

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I'm aware, I was using his statement against him. Not in a hostile way or anything, just to make my point.

I wouldn't at all compare it to taking attention away from the movie, that's ridiculous. Not at all analogous to a bad quality voice-over, which I would still watch over any sub, any time.

Not watching in my own language first so I can better relate to the visual aspect seems plenty more disrespectful to me than watching in both, not that I am at all entertaining the silly notion that watching in either is disrespectful.

Gladly - July 14, 2014, 3:08 pm

Well, let them bash, watch whatever you enjoy more. I won't really contribute to the subs vs. dub argument as its been done numerous times on multiple threads already, but you should just watch what you enjoy and what makes the anime more enjoyable for you .

Vegas - July 14, 2014, 3:13 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 03:09 PM)King~ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Keeping up with subs while watching the show is incredibly easy. If you've gone through middle school, it shouldn't be a problem. Yes, it's not ideal, but when compared to English dubs, you've got to choose the lesser evil.

If you want to learn Japanese and watch raws to get the best experience, then by all means, go ahead. That's just not practical for most non-native Japanese people though.

Imagine yourself as a director/writer. You create an amazing action movie with a deep underlying

plot to the whole thing. I'm talking you really put a lot into this plot. The movie gets released and it's a hit, however, every review you read is along the lines of "The explosions and fight scenes are unmatched by any other movie. 10/10". Nobody (for sake of this example, literally nobody) picks up on what you think was the true "heart" of the movie, it's plot.

I don't know about you, but despite the success, I'd be pretty mad about this.

Now don't take my example as a direct counter to what you said, but rather the "disrespectful" aspect. I'm not trying to belittle the importance of the visuals. The "experience" depends on art, audio, story, etc all taken as a single piece. There's something you should experience from a "work of art" that was intended, and I feel the best way to do this (besides learning fluent Japanese) is reading subs instead of dubs.

I guess the only thing we're really in disagreement about (aside from the entirety of our polar opposite preferences on this topic xD) is that it genuinely takes away from the plot to an extent that would upset the creator. I can't exactly speak for them of course, I can only speculate. If it makes anyone feel any better, I'm someone who can appreciate the fuck out of a story. Final Fantasy kind of seared that quality into my brain.

That's just me though. I'd imagine there are plenty of people who are just the horrible Dub-heads that respectful anime gurus probably dread. I'll just have to try and be better d;

Vegas - July 14, 2014, 3:23 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 03:19 PM)King~ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It's not just for the creator. The viewer should be willing to put in the small amount of effort required to experience it properly for themselves if nobody else. They seem superficial otherwise.

Good thing I make sure to do so once I've watched it in English ?

Munch - July 14, 2014, 3:25 pm

Eh someone help me out here what is the difference? I'm not a big anime guy just Hentai.

cacnecac - July 14, 2014, 3:26 pm

I don't hate people for not liking subs, even though I prefer subs over dubs. Some people can't read and pay attention to what's going on at the same time.

Some dubs are extremely good though.

Vegas - July 14, 2014, 3:27 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 03:25 PM)Flossin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Eh someone help me out here what is the difference? I'm not a big anime guy just Hentai.

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That would be subbed.
So yeah..

Obli - July 14, 2014, 3:51 pm

You have to check your phone while watching anime? Pfff. You might aswell not bother to watch in the first place if you're going to get distracted that easily.

The subbed version of any anime is always better than the original version, the voice actors put more feeling into it and you get a genuine experience, sometimes the dubs are plain ridiculous so that's why. You can't read subs? You'd be fucked if you wanted to read manga.

Manny - July 14, 2014, 4:05 pm

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Leo Draco - July 14, 2014, 5:20 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 04:05 PM)#Herb Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Yup! When you watch anime OP you cannot get distracted so easily..

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Oh and to the guy who said I cant read manga yeah I cant because I'm dyslexic the backwards reading thing really messes me up.

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The anime fans who are really into it might dislike you because of that? Because you don't take it as seriously as they do? In that case if you consider anime as only 'entertainment' then just talk with people who share the same opinion.

Grin - July 14, 2014, 5:25 pm

Dubbed anime is SO annoying. It's so BAD. You're a fake. A FRAUD!

Byakuya Kuchiki - July 14, 2014, 5:27 pm

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Lyrlei - July 14, 2014, 5:35 pm

This is true at some level, people who are usually just too obsessed with anime and nothing else tend to reply like that, some might be just trolling though but mostly they find that watching something first, watching sub etc. they will think they're superior or smthn like that. That's what I think anyway.

cacnecac - July 14, 2014, 6:01 pm

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Just admit you like the screeching / moaning and screaming. Be brave like me bro! ?

Munch - July 14, 2014, 6:33 pm

Ok so if I watch Subbed, what the hell is "dubbed"?

Obli - July 14, 2014, 6:35 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 06:33 PM)Flossin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Ok so if I watch Subbed, what the hell is "dubbed"? A dubbed anime is an anime with English vocals or even other vocals/voices.

Dragon. - July 14, 2014, 6:41 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 06:33 PM)Flossin Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Ok so if I watch Subbed, what the hell is "dubbed"? Anything that has a voice over is "dubbed." There are Japanese dubs and English dubs.

Chips Ahoy McCoy - July 14, 2014, 7:44 pm

Personally I enjoy watching subbed anime. I think that's pretty stupid of them to judge you for something like that.

Munch - July 14, 2014, 7:47 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 06:41 PM)Dragon. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Anything that has a voice over is "dubbed." There are Japanese dubs and English dubs.

I watched some shit like that before, the words and mouth have a delay. I prefer subbed.

Nevieth - July 14, 2014, 8:30 pm

My opinion to this matter is watch what makes you as a viewer more comfortable. Don't let subtitled elitists (and non elitists) put you down... that is like someone calling you an "ass" for not liking ice cream.

We're all unique, and enjoy things differently, I personally when watching anime watch it in dubbed first so I can understand the plot easier and see the action... THEN afterwards I go back to appreciate the subbed.

The argument between subbed and dubbed can never be proven either side as both are opinions, again another example is if someone came out with a scientific theory stating pizza tasted better than chicken. This can never be proven valid as it is all based on personal opinions.

I say if you're more comfortable watching anime in dubbed, then watch it in dubbed... maybe afterwards go back and watch some in subbed so you can learn to become more accustomed to it, however don't feel as if you're being forced to watch it in a way that makes you uncomfortable.

Hope I was able to help from my nearly unbiased standpoint (In which I love dubbed and subbed equally as much, and watch both one after another).

Jeff Winger - July 14, 2014, 8:32 pm

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Nevieth - July 14, 2014, 8:38 pm

(Jul 14, 2014 08:35 PM)Vegas Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) SHUN THE NON-BELIEVER. SHUN HIIIIIM.

Rofl ah Vegas, your posts never seem to disappoint.

In all honesty I hope OP reads my post above and doesn't get so upset at what other people say to him regarding this manner. <3

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Now if I wanted to be biased I'd say the dub sucks but it actually doesn't, I'd say that because I'm more used to the sub as you're only saying that because you yourself are used to the dub.

At the end it's just a matter of personal preference! ?

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Different strokes for different folks I suppose.

starlocke - July 15, 2014, 2:38 am

dubbed are good in some cases, like dbz I hate goku's voice in subbed version but find the dubbed one extremely fitting the character. Though, a lot of great animes are only subbed so if you're only watching dubs you're missing out on a lot of great content.

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I can definitely agree with you on that manner, subs are definitely more fitting for the characters because the character itself is shaped around the original voice actor to make it more fluid, while a dub is merely english speaking voice actors trying to mimic what they believe best fits the character if they spoke in english.

It is all a matter of preference, and I appreciate your points. You're probably my favorite anime viewer to chat with as you don't shit on the dub merely for the fact that it is a dub.

Me being unbiased I can agree that the sub is more fitting and most the time the voice actors in Japanese put more feeling into it.

Thanks Oblivious for another productive debate. <3

Rabbitboy4641 - July 15, 2014, 10:56 am

[Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pK82oPrZjdk>]Because you won't get funny moments like this.

Leo Draco - July 15, 2014, 11:05 am

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(Jul 15, 2014 11:05 AM)Chi_Shinigami_man123 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'm still laughing that was good
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Not its in the actual anime, and they made a parody O.O

stupid liar - July 15, 2014, 12:18 pm

Don't be upset OP, I watch subbed anime yeah but I know people who watch Hebrew subbed anime and I'm thinking like "wtf is going on all the Hebrew fansubbers are bad" but meh that's just

preference