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Batch File - September 1, 2014, 11:23 am

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Ang?I - September 1, 2014, 11:27 am

If you like subbed watch subbed. If you like dubbed watch dubbed. It's just a personal preference really even though most people here will tell you to watch subbed. I watch subs because most dubs are terrible imo but that's not saying there aren't good dubs out there.

neightworks - September 1, 2014, 11:30 am

FMA dub is really good, but if you're planning on getting deeper into it, it would be more beneficial to get used to subs.

zyvox - September 1, 2014, 11:32 am

I'd say subbed because that was what they were made for. Also most characters sound better with Japanese voices imo.

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The two series have nothing to do with each other so you can watch them independently and still understand everything. Brotherhood follows the manga.

eight - September 1, 2014, 11:58 am

I like subbed better, well depending on the show. I like the kawaii voices and it's how the show was intended to be heard. For example, Noragami would suck dick if it had English dub because Yato's voice is god damn perfect for him.

Winters Angel - September 1, 2014, 4:15 pm

(Sep 1, 2014 11:45 AM)Batch File Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Should I start FMA again or try Attack on Titan or something? Maybe Death Note. Honestly, start Death Note. It's pretty awesome lol

Dragon. - September 1, 2014, 5:33 pm

Definitely watch subs first, that way you won't have to get used to it later on (by then, you'll already be accustomed to English dubs).

I've met quite a number of people that refuse to watch anything that isn't English dubbed, since they hate reading. Should you be one of these people, please keep in mind that only a small percentage of anime out there are English dubbed. Some shows (such as Zero no Tsukaima) have English dubs for the first season only, with the subsequent seasons only giving you the option of watching it subbed. You're really limiting yourself if you just watch English dubs and no subs.

Not to mention some English dubs are god awful. The voices don't fit, they lack emotion, and they make all kinds of pronunciation errors. I much prefer the JP VA cast to that of the US VA cast for most shows.

Vegas - September 1, 2014, 5:34 pm

I would never watch a sub first. Love watching them after because of how much more they capture emotion, but I don't like reading while I watch.

I'd recommend you watch FLCL. Fantastic starter anime.

MaximusPrime - September 4, 2014, 8:47 am

I've been watching Soul Eater in subbed which is such an amazing anime! It has just the right balance of cartooniness (if that 's a word) and dark themes. There are such great characters and the plot in combination kept me hooked for 5-10 episodes at a time. It is easy to follow along and is worth it. Good luck :D

blub81 - September 4, 2014, 10:45 am

A lot of dubs are soo bad you wanna cry. Definitely go with subs. It can be hard in the beginning though since they move by pretty fast. Or maybe I'm just slow...

Gladly - September 4, 2014, 10:51 am

It really depends on the show, because all dubs aren't made by the same studio, nor do they have the same voice actors. Shows such as Cowboy Bebop, Black Lagoon, and plenty of other action shows tend to have good dubs in my opinion. Shows licensed by Funimation also tend to have great dubs. On the other hand, a show like Mirai Nikki sounds bland in dub compared to sub (especially Yuno).

My answer? Neither is better than the other. Watch a mix of subbed shows and dubbed shows.

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Keep watching subs, you'll get better at reading comprehension and language arts in school.

Rinqt - September 4, 2014, 2:16 pm

boku no pico give that a try man legit best fucking anime

wellager - September 4, 2014, 2:20 pm

Watch subbed, dubbed might be good in some cases but subbed has more emotion. Also, watch School Days and Boku No Pico.

+Cloud - September 4, 2014, 8:58 pm

sometimes subs are better to watch because the dubs are fucking shit and dont show any emotion or anything so its not as powerful as subs.

Madam X - September 5, 2014, 1:58 pm

Anime is pretty cool, I'd recommend it to anyone. know what kind of genres you're into and take a look at the stickies. Good Luck :D

phyy - September 6, 2014, 12:50 am

I was pretty ignorant to say that "Anime seems like shit" (I live in Australia and it's not MASSIVELY popular here) and after some consideration, I gave it a go and it was very different to what I assumed it would be. I enjoy it more than most TV shows at the moment, but I'm not overly obsessed with anime.

Try and think of what kind of genres you are interested in. If you enjoy comedy, read the stickies and there's bound to be ones that you'll enjoy that are packed with comedy.

Also, subbed or dubbed is just a personal preference. Most dubs are not that great and lack the emotion from regular Japanese voice acting, but there are definitely good ones out there.

Take your pick man, hopefully you enjoy it! :)

Lyralei - September 6, 2014, 3:53 am

Up to you to pick dubbed or subbed op- no one's gonna give a shit- only those elitist dweebs who watched sword art online and think they know everything.

Spoiler ([Click to View](#))*hides*

We love anime. i love you op.

Callmehellor - September 6, 2014, 3:55 am

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you'll get use to it after a while. The thing you'll find is with a lot of anime the dubbed version is corny or just not that well put together.

(Sep 6, 2014 03:57 AM)Lyralei Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Yes- someone who gets how amazing one piece is- i love you.

I tried watching One Piece before. Maybe I'll pick it up as a side anime. I think my problem was is that it was the only anime I was trying to watch at the time. I finally learned it can be better to have multiple anime to watch so you dont get burnt out on just one.

CyberStudio - September 6, 2014, 5:14 pm

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woops forgot about the original, watch that before

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4GBRam - September 7, 2014, 8:22 am

You should definetely try out gintama, mostly comedy, but the fighting scenes are amazing o_O
Spoileerrrr heres one except its an amv... : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ns2zAkH8dCA>

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Yea, that's how I feel about Bleach and Naruto, I like them better in English. ?

The-Master - September 7, 2014, 9:00 am

First of all, I love dubs when they're done right. Usually by Funimation. Actually all the time. I agree with Kotomi. Because Death Note which is filled with dramatic screams, is a must watch in Japanese and I found the English version a bit goofy.

I think when the anime is filled with girls like Kanon or Clannad, it's a bit better to watch in Japanese because their voices are cuter. But I watched all Key anime in English and I had no problem.

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Anyways, it depends on the anime who dubs it, but for sure the best dubbed anime is Baccano! Their voices are so good and it takes place in New York and Chicago so it makes sense it's dubbed, and the dub is perfect cause of their accents.

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Just throwing them out there if they haven't been mentioned before;

Code Geass (English Dub)

Sword Art Online (Subbed)

Death Note (English Dub)

are all absolutely amazing :)

It all depends on the anime I guess, I don't think I can watch any of those using the inversed option, especially not Code Geass.

Kouichi - September 7, 2014, 9:20 am

(Sep 7, 2014 09:17 AM)charries96 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Death Note (English Dub)

I've seen one episode in English dub and it sounds okay. Never heard in sub.

Jazzo - September 7, 2014, 6:47 pm

Go for it dude! anime is great

Imo subbed is the way to go but if you can't multitask with reading and watching you will have troubles

and as for dubbed it limits your choices vastly

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Pretty much this- though if there was good dubs everywhere I'd prefer it too-
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420 Blaze It - September 8, 2014, 4:56 am

Subs are always the best, they sound more real, and it's usually easier to sub than dub, sub takes 24 hours and dub takes from 1 week to forever, depending on the people who like the voice acting.

ChocolateCroquette - September 8, 2014, 7:14 am

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I recommend subs because you can't tell if it's bad voice acting, at least I can't. With English dubs, you can tell right off the bat if it has terrible voice acting. For good anime to watch, if you prefer the fighting genre, I recommend:

Attack on Titan (http://myanimelist.net/anime/16498/Shingeki_no_Kyojin)

JoJo's Bizarre Adventure (http://myanimelist.net/anime/666/JoJos_Bizarre_Adventure)

Nobunagun (<http://myanimelist.net/anime/19855/Nobunagun>)

Attack on Titan is what got me hooked to anime and my interest just spread out from there. I have a couple guest passes for Crunchyroll, which is a site for streaming anime, I can give you so you can try out all the shows you want. However, the guest passes only last for 48 hours but the actual subscription for the service is relatively cheap (around 7 USD a month).