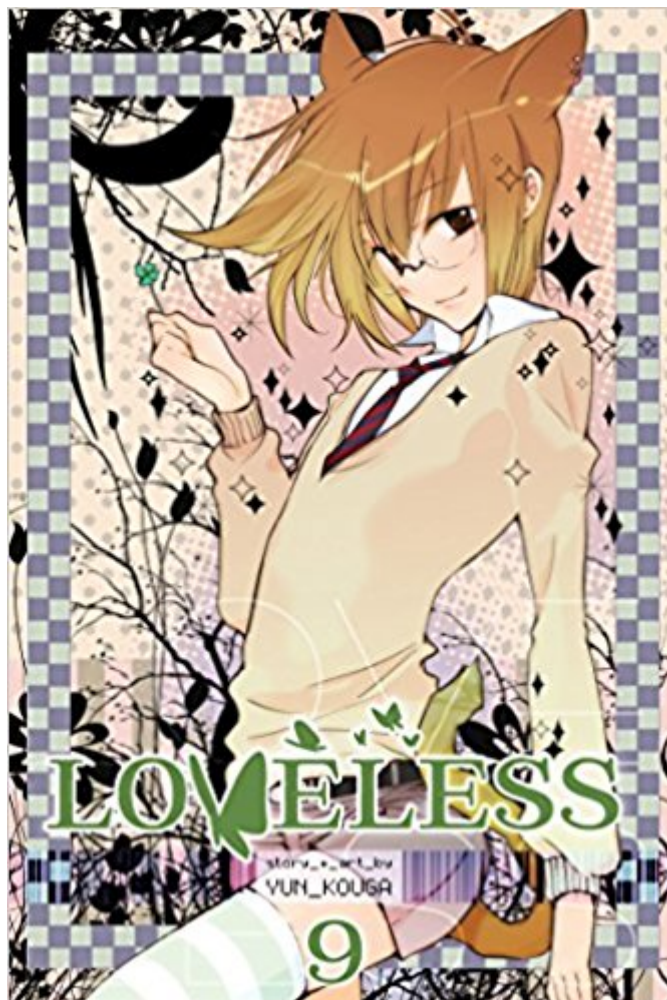


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## Loveless, Vol. 9



## Synopsis

The long-awaited continuation of the bestselling series, a masterpiece tale of intrigue and innocence lost. Reads R to L (Japanese Style) for T audiences. When his beloved older brother is brutally murdered, Ritsuka is heartbroken but determined to search for answers. His only lead is Soubi, a mysterious, handsome college student who offers him an intimate link to his brother's other life: a dark and vibrant world of spell battles and secret names. Will Ritsuka's relationship with Soubi ultimately lead to the truth or further down the rabbit hole than he imagined possible? Seimei is very much alive and has torn through the Seven Voices Academy like a whirlwind. As Septimal Moon struggles to right itself and keep its secrets from spilling out, a new enemy takes center stage: the unit named "Bloodless" wages a crippling psychological war, ending battles without spilling a single drop of blood. Yet Ritsuka and Soubi must emerge victorious against them or lose Kio.

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## Customer Reviews

Yun Kouga began her career as a doujinshi author and debuted in 1986 with the original manga Metal Heart, serialized in >Comic VAL. She is the creator of the popular series Loveless and Earthian, along with many manga and anime projects, including character design for Gundam 00. Her works Crown of Love and Gestalt are also published by Viz.

After TokyoPop closed I was very hesitant about Viz picking up Loveless. It's a very unique, stylized

series and viz in the past tended to package things very loud, plain, and blocky (ex. Shonen Jump manga, and their 'Shojo' line of manga). While the manga itself had a decent, despite more americanized, translation, the packaging left something to be desired. -Not with Loveless This print of loveless is highly stylized on the cover, spine, and back, and is overall visually appealing and fitting for the series. As for size, it's general manga size and fits right in with your collection. The cover feels nice and I like the paper. Printed pages have crisp lines and the front has a color insert (something I always love). The translation is good, despite it being a little hard to get used to the first names being written first now, compared to the inverted format tokyopop editions. I'm looking forward to the 2-in-1 reprints viz will be offering of the earlier volumes 1-8. As for the story it's the next part in the slice-of-life fantasy of Loveless. Don't start here, but if you've liked the series so far I'd recommend it, but as the series progresses, so far, it seems like it's becoming less and less a BL (boy love) story; so if you're looking for yaoi, you could be disappointed.

I'm so happy Loveless is being published again here in the US. Viz did a nice job with the packaging. I'm thankful they included the color page. Just in general, the overall packaging is better without that big ugly border around the name of the book Tokyopop put on their books. As some other reviews have said, the names are read as first name first as opposed to last name first and then first name. I honestly don't have much of an issue with that but just please be aware of it. All in all, if you're a Loveless fan pick this up.

This series just keeps getting better and better as it continues! It is clear in this volume that a different translator was used than the one who had translated the previous books based on differences in how characters are addressed. It's a bit of a surprise at first but it isn't a deal break, just something to note. T was a good read, can't wait for volume 10!

I love the art and character relationships.

Everything that we expect in a Loveless manga. The long wait was definatly worth it! I'm so glad that Yun Kouga has continued this twisted story and so far the art has only gotten better!

I fell in love with this series, probably one of the only manga series I keep up with. Great condition and arrived in a timely manner!! Great service.

I have most of the loveless books so I was happy to be able to keep the collection going after the old publishing went out of business!

A great read for a loveless series reader. A few flash backs but a good read. The book was even delivered earlier then expected which was great. Suggested for anyone into the loveless series.

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