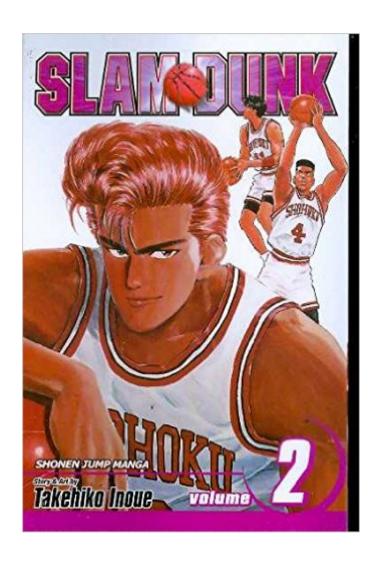
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Synopsis

R to L (Japanese Style)One of the most popular manga in the history of manga! Winning isn't everything in basketball, but who wants to come in second? It takes dedication and discipline to be the best, and the Shohoku High hoops team wants to be just that--the best. They have one last year to make their captain's dream of reaching the finals come true--will they do it? Takehiko Inoue's legendary basketball manga is finally here, and the tale of a lifetime is in your hands!He may be a pain in the butt, but Hanamichi's athletic prowess and monstrous strength have not gone unnoticed by the captain of Shohoku's judo team. Hoping to take his troupe to a national title, the judo captain is willing to go to great lengths to lure Hanamichi away from the court and get him on the sparring mat. Will out-and-out bribery convince Hanamichi that judo's the way to go, or will he stay a basketball man to the very end?

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Customer Reviews

First year Shohoku High School student, Hanamichi Sakuragi had to be a tough kid growing up. Often teased for his red hair, Hanamichi and his friends would be part of a gang that grouped together to fight other gangs and to show that they are not afraid of no one. And for the tall Sakuragi, he has shown his power in defeating other people in fights. But there is another side of Hanamichi Sakuragi and that is the fact that he has been rejected by 50 girls in junior high school and now that he's in high school, #50 tells him that her heart is for Oda who plays for the basketball team. One day he meets Haruko Akagi, also a first-year student and is the sister of Takenori Akagi,

a third-year student and the team captain of Shohoku High School's basketball team. She also happens to have a crush on star athlete, Kaeda Rukawa, a basketball player that many girls at the high school have fallen for. And now Hanamichi Sakuragi wants to prove that he can also be a very good basketball player. And while he doesn't know the fundamentals of the game, for Hanamichi's first week on the team, it has been rough and with Hanamichi quitting the team, the words by Akagi that he is a "gutless coward" has resonated within him to the point that it bothers him. So, now Hanamichi is more driven to make it on the basketball team, but can this guy who knows nothing about basketball, play the game? And what happens when the judo team tries to recruit him? What is "Slam Dunk"? I can easily remember the popularity of "Slam Dunk" during the early '90s. Despite being here in America, I would venture to the local Tower Records or travel to Japan Town and head to the Japanese bookstore to pick up the latest Shonen Jump magazine and watching the anime series.

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