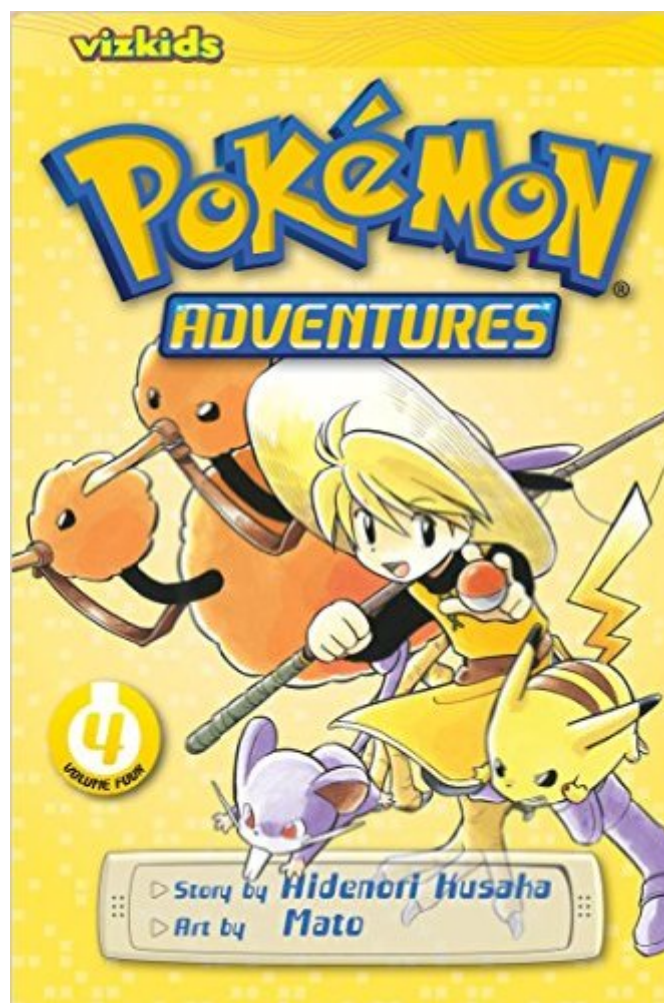


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Synopsis

Adventures inspired by the best-selling Pok  mon video games! All your favorite Pok  mon game characters   jump   out of the screen into the pages of this action-packed manga! Pok  mon trainer Red goes off on a training challenge and...never comes back!   But a tired and tattered Pikachu manages to return home by himself. A mysterious young trainer in yellow befriends Pikachu, and together they set out to find our missing hero! And watch out for Team Rocket, Yellow Caballero... Could they be behind Red's mysterious disappearance?

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Customer Reviews

This volume is the start of a new arc that spans four volumes (4 through 7). It builds off of the first three volumes, but is a different story and you don't have to read them to enjoy this one. The hero of the last arc is not around in this volume, but we are introduced to a new character (Yellow), and see the return of many other familiar faces. Yellow displays many of the same battling smarts that Red has, but has considerably less experience and power. But the first real battle we see is with someone who is probably stronger than Red, so these battles have a much different dynamic - while Red could rely on power and brains, Yellow mostly has to outsmart the opponents. I would say this arc is better than the first arc, but they are both good, so don't let that deter you from buying both of them. Like I said earlier, it isn't necessary to read the first three volumes first, but it certainly does increase the drama. This isn't the anime, either - it's significantly more mature, so if you're an older

Pokemon fan who has outgrown the anime, you may still enjoy the comic books.

I thoroughly enjoyed reading the first three volumes, which I call Team Rocket's Saga, but there was one thing that bugged me a little bit about the finale: where was the Elite Four in the Pok mon League? They were such a big deal in the games, and in Vol. 3 they're nothing but brooding shadows machinating and appear on a few pages only. Set two years after the events in Vol. 3, it seems that Vol. 4 is out to rectify this by introducing a new central character --Yellow from Viridian Forest-- whose mission it is to find and rescue Red and deal with the dreadful Elite Four. Like Red, Yellow is a likable, compassionate character, and like Red, he too must learn and mature a lot before being ready to achieve his goals. The beloved characters from the previous volumes are back and take part in the story: Prof. Oak, Blue, Green, and the four good gym leaders. I think it was really refreshing for the writer to switch the protagonist and the villains, and I'm excited to see how this story unravels.

I looked all over the place to find this for my step son for Christmas. He specifically asked for this and it was almost impossible to find. He loves these books and was very happy when he opened up his presents and saw that I was able to find one of the books he had asked for. He is a big reader and this was one of the few books he asked for that weren't about paleontology. He was very pleased and that means that his father and I are very pleased too.

This Pokemon manga, called Pokemon Adventures, is drawn out more like the Pokemon RPG videogame. In this issue, the Pokemon Fan Club sends Red on a mission to free some Pokemon from a ship called the S.S. Anne. Unfortunately for Red, the person responsible for all this is actually Lt. Surge, the Gym Leader of Vermillion City. Getting past his Electabuzz won't be so easy. Also, Red enters a race, which leads him into many comical hijinks, including a run-in with Snorlax, one of the largest Pokemon that ever existed. If you liked the Pokemon game, or liked the anime but didn't like Ash, you should get this manga, especially since it's at such a [good] price.

I haven't read this book yet but I have started to read them so I am thinking it will be good. Any fan will love these books if they weren't sure about the Manga I will tell you don't worry they are good books.

I've been a pokemon fan since the days of ruby and sapphire, and honestly I was starting to get a

little tired of it. The show, the games, even the cards (my personal favorite). I knew they had a manga, but I never bothered to pick it up. Until now of course. I decided to give the series one last chance. I picked up the first three at Barnes and Noble and was hooked on Red's story immediately! I loved the fact that team rocket was actually cruel (I'm not sure why though...)! I was sad when I found out that Red story was ending (sort of) but when I started reading this volume, I loved the manga even more! *SPOILERS* I mean, Red getting kidnapped, some mysterious kid (you might of recognized him from an earlier chapter, especially when he pulled out that Rattata of his!) showing up and taking Pika on some sort of idiotic rescue mission. I loved it! This is the kind of stuff I live for (lol)! The only reason I gave it a four is because I think they really could of built on the story a bit more.

Art Style: Sort of a mix between chibi and traditional style. It fits the style of the manga well 5/5

Story: A good basic story line. They could of easily built on it more 3/5

Characters: Love the character designs and their personalities. Especially Blue 5/5

Over All: A decent story line with an interesting, but suitable, art style and good character design 4/5

Hope you liked my review!

(Review by the 21 year-old brother of this account user) Frankly, I don't know why they haven't decided to make an Anime based on the Manga! The story is considerably darker, the characters have more personality to them, they stay as close to the original Video Game story as possible, and it's far less repetitive than the Anime. I'm glad that I decided to collect the entire Manga series!

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