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### Sword Art Online: Hollow Realization, Vol. 6

Though the official announcement of the second Squad Jam has come out, Karen Kohiruimaki barely shows any interest at all, despite being the champion of the first ferocious battle royale. Or at least, that was true right up to the moment she receives a cryptic message from a creepy stalker who informs her that on the night of the next Squad Jam, someone will die. Now, LLENN needs to take up arms and cut through her inexplicable anguish to prevent her worst fears from coming true!

### Demon Lord, Retry! Volume 2

Ostap Bender is an unemployed con artist living by his wits in postrevolutionary Soviet Russia. He joins forces with Ippolit Matveyevich Vorobyandinov, a former nobleman who has returned to his hometown to find a cache of missing jewels which were hidden in some chairs that have been appropriated by the Soviet authorities. The search for the bejeweled chairs takes these unlikely heroes from the provinces to Moscow to the wilds of Soviet Georgia and the Trans-caucasus mountains; on their quest they encounter a wide variety of characters: from opportunistic Soviet bureaucrats to aging survivors of the

prerevolutionary propertied classes, each one more selfish, venal, and ineffective than the one before.

### **Sword Art Online 19 (light novel)**

Lux's dark past with SAO 's Laughing Coffin guild has been revealed-along with the bad blood she shares with Gwen, leader of the Batty Bats. When the girls are sent on a quest to eliminate Gwen, will Lux be able to follow through and betray her former friend yet again?

### **Accel World, Vol. 19 (light novel)**

It's time for the "real" SAO--the third floor! Kirito and Asuna are hardly out the door when they stumble upon the start of the Elf War quest. When they decide to side with the elite dark elf Kizmel, they're set on a path that will push them harder than ever before. But together, nothing can stop themright?

### **Re:ZERO -Starting Life in Another World-, Vol. 12 (light novel)**

Read the novel that ignited the phenomenon! In the year 2022, gamers rejoice as Sword Art Online - a VRMMORPG (Virtual Reality Massively Multiplayer Online Role Playing Game) like no other - debuts, allowing players to take full advantage of the ultimate in gaming technology: NerveGear, a system that allows users to completely immerse themselves in a wholly realistic gaming experience. But when the game goes live, the elation of the players quickly turns to horror as they discover that, for all its amazing features, SAO is missing one of the most basic functions of any MMORPG - a log-out button. Now trapped in the virtual world of Aincrad, their bodies held captive by NerveGear in the real world, users are issued a chilling ultimatum: conquer all one hundred floors of Aincrad to regain your freedom. But in the warped world of SAO, "game over" means certain death - both virtual and real

### **Sword Art Online: Aincrad, Vol. 2 (manga)**

Following a mighty clash, Kirito and Eugeo find themselves separated for the last leg of their journey to the top of Central Cathedral. Kirito, forced into an unlikely alliance with Alice the Integrity Knight, continues his climb from the outside, while trying not to fall to his death. At the same time, Eugeo must face off against the Integrity Knight Commander himself, Bercouli Synthesis One! Although the journey is nearing its end, they'll soon learn that the cathedral is still full of surprises

### **Sword Art Online Alternative Gun Gale Online, Vol. 6 (light novel)**

Karen Kohiruimaki always felt out of place in the real world. Due to her extreme height, she found it hard to make friends with other girls her age. Everything changes when she's introduced to VR and Gun Gale Online. In GGO, Karen is free to play the cute, chibi avatar of her dreams! Can Karen find friendship in this bullet-ridden MMO?

### **Sword Art Online 15 (light novel)**

In order to bolster their forces against the White Legion, Nega Nebulus seeks the aid of the Green Legion and travels to their territory to treat with their king, "Green Grande." But just as negotiations were about to begin, they received an unexpected visitor

### **Hammerfall**

A month after the end of the third Squad Jam, a mysterious email is sent to former contestants all across the country. The email contains an invitation to brand-new game, and only the top contenders from the past three Squad Jams are allowed to participate! With objective of capturing bases as opposed to an all-out deathmatch, this new game mode has a completely different feel from Squad Jam. A fitting stage for the long-awaited rematch with SHINC!

### **Sword Art Online 13 (light novel)**

Read the novel that ignited the phenomenon! Kirito plunges into a suspicious new VRMMORPG called ALfheim Online to rescue Asuna, who never returned from Sword Art Online. ALO offers many features to entertain players in the wake of SAO: ultra-high-end graphics, action-heavy gameplay, a choice of fairy races, and a next-generation flight engine. Playing as a spriggan, Kirito heads for the location of Asuna's prison--the top of the World Tree, the final destination of every player in the game! Along the way, Kirito nearly falls to a plot hatched by the enemy salamanders, just barely surviving the ordeal with the help of a sylph named Leafa and his Navigation Pixie, Yui. But just as Kirito and Leafa make it to the foot of the World Tree, the end of their quest in sight, each realizes the other has a very big secret

### **Sword Art Online 12 (light novel)**

After three-hundred years of turmoil, a new era begins for the Underworld. A lost child of Vecta, who seemed to appear out of nowhere, has defeated the Dark God and cemented peace for all the realm. But at the heart of human lands, atop Central Cathedral, Ronie Arabel, newly promoted to Integrity Knight apprentice, receives foreboding words from Kirito. "War will come again."

## **Sword Art Online 4: Fairy Dance (light novel)**

Despite being identical, Premiere and Tia are actually polar opposites and-even worse-enemies. After learning of the sisters' unprecedented potential for world destruction, Kirito and the gang are forced to put their quest on hold in fear of losing their beloved Ainground and its NPCs. Meanwhile, Genesis, seeking to tap into the twin goddess's powers, challenges Kirito to a battle for Premiere! Which black swordsman will emerge victorious?!

## **Sword Art Online 16 (light novel)**

Kirito awakens in a vast, fantastical forest filled with towering trees. In his search for clues to the truth of his surroundings, he encounters a young boy who seems to know him. He ought to be a simple NPC, but the depth of his emotions seem no different than a human. As they search for the boy's parents, Kirito finds a peculiar memory returning to him. A memory from his own childhood, of this boy and a girl, too, with golden hair, and a name he should have never forgotten--Alice.

## **Sword Art Online Progressive, Vol. 5 (manga)**

This is definitely the bad kind of love As Subaru continues to repeat events in the Sanctuary, he finally encounters the one being he should never interact with no matter the cost: the Witch of Jealousy. When she appears, all the people he cares for and even the land itself are engulfed by a shadow completely obsessed with Subaru. His devastation only worsens when he learns the original purpose of the testing site known as the Sanctuary-while the entire world slides toward a pure-white end. Stubbornly hanging on to hope for a better future, Subaru returns to the tomb, desperate to reunite with the Witch within, even if there's a terrible price to pay

## **Seraph of the End, Vol. 18**

"CAST ASIDE YOUR DISTRACTIONS AND MAINTAIN THE TRANQUILITY OF YOUR HEART." At long last, Kirito and Asuna have reunited with Kizmel the dark elf, and everything is as it should beWell, almost everything. As the three continue the Elf War campaign and hunt for the remaining sacred keys, they're met with one surprise after another. Between the assassination attempts, off-script scenarios, and AI that seem a little too lifelike, Kirito can't help but wonder if this is the same game he beta tested! And if that wasn't enough, a shocking development allows the Curse of Stachion questline to finally come to an end-but not before the party receives another unwelcome visit from a PK agitator! Sword Art Online: Progressive, a new version of the Sword Art Online tale that chronicles the entirety of Kirito and Asuna's epic adventure through Aincrad, continues!

## **Black Butler**

A few months after escaping from Sword Art Online, Kirito is ready to dive into a brand-new VRMMO--Sword Art: Origin. This game promises to have all of the base features from Aincrad without any of the bad. When Kirito meets a mysterious girl in need of his help, that theory will be put to the test

## **Sword Art Online Alternative Gun Gale Online, Vol. 4 (light novel)**

Read the novel that ignited the phenomenon! The second day of the final stress test rages on. Lisbeth, Silica, and Asuna push through the pain as they hold out against the Dark Army. But their efforts fall short as Kirito is captured by PoH, the former leader of Laughing Coffin! With PoH's twisted heart set on subjecting Kirito to the culmination of several years' vengeance, he prepares to end him once and for all. But when hope seems lost, a voice cries out in Kirito's heart. The voice of the person he lived with, laughed with, and fought with for years. The voice of his best friend Grabbing hold of that light in the darkness, the Black Swordsman awakens

## **The Twelve Chairs**

Read the novel that ignited the phenomenon! The final stress test bleeds into its second day. Driven to desperation by the Integrity Knights' coordinated assault, the Dark Army reveals the ace up their sleeve! Critter, who has been observing the battle from the Ocean Turtle, has successfully created a gateway into the Underworld and masked it as an invitation to "an open beta test for a new, unannounced VRMMO." This digital invite bolsters the ranks of the Dark Army by the tens of thousands! Having already been pushed to her limits, the thought of taking on a fresh wave of bloodthirsty enemies fills Asuna with dread. But just when it seems like all is lost, two new deities of the Underworld appear to take up the fight: the Sun Goddess, Solus, and Terraria, the Earth Goddess. And the ones in possession of these super-accounts are none other than Sinon and Leafa!

## **Sword Art Online 10 (light novel)**

The prophecy of despair continues When an unprecedented calamity on the twenty-seventh floor leaves Bell and Lyu stranded, Bell's party needs to keep fighting without him. With their route to the surface lost and Hestia Familia's captain missing in action, Lilly must take command to ensure they all make it home alive. Ten floors below, Bell and Lyu are injured and alone, forced to struggle against the harshest challenge the Dungeon has to offer, which puts their very lives on the line. Bell has never been this deep down before nor completely unprepared, meaning Lyu's knowledge and strength are

essential to their survival. However, the forlorn elf finds herself standing on the border between life and death, bound by her past, remembering once again exactly how her devotion to justice died so many years ago

### **Sword Art Online Alternative Gun Gale Online, Vol. 1 (manga)**

Having defeated General Eugene of the salamanders and aided the alliance between sylphs and cait siths by protecting their leaders, Kirito and Leafa reach Alne, the town at the foot of the World Tree, at long last. But before they can tackle the tree--and their main objective--server maintenance begins, and they are forced to log out. Back in the real world, Kazuto and Suguha Kirigaya, each unaware of the other's in-game identity, pay a visit to Asuna Yuuki, who still lies asleep in her hospital room. While there, Suguha suffers a terrible shock when she realizes just how strongly her beloved brother cares for Asuna. Meanwhile Asuna, still imprisoned atop the World Tree within the game world of ALfheim Online, sets her escape plan in motion The adventure in ALO finally reaches its climax! Enjoy the conclusion of the Fairy Dance arc in this massive final volume!

### **Sword Art Online 18 (light novel)**

Sword Art Online, the world's first VRMMORPG (Virtual Reality Massively Multiplayer Online Role Playing Game), may have started out as a game, but it has since become a matter of life and death for the ten thousand players trapped within. Two years after game programmer Akihiko Kayaba's chilling declaration--"This might be a game, but it's not something you play"--the number of players has dwindled to six thousand, and for many, every day is a struggle for survival. Though Kirito has stayed alive by making a name for himself as a solo adventurer in that time, his life undergoes a major change when he unwittingly joins Asuna's powerful guild, the Knights of the Blood. What does fate have in store for Kirito, Asuna, and the brave young fighters who are risking their lives to return to the real world?!

### **Sword Art Online: Hollow Realization**

After defeating the Satanists, the Demon Lord meets White – the oldest of the Holy Women – who also fears the Demon Lord's powers much more than she should. Oblivious to this, the Demon Lord works hard to develop Luna's village. He begins by building all sorts of non-fantastical facilities, like a field hospital and a hot springs resort, when

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### **Sword Art Online Progressive 6 (light novel)**

Fifty-thousand troops led by Gabriel Miller, aka Emperor Vecta, the God of Darkness prepare to invade the human lands defended by Bercouli and his army of five thousand. Kirito, still out of commission, is left in the care of Ronie and Tiese. Chancellor of the dark mages guild Dee Eye Ell also threatens to vanquish the army by launching a large-scale magical attack of her own. And in the midst of chaos, the one who appears to turn the tide of battle is none other than Asuna?!

### **Sword Art Online: Hollow Realization**

Two years into Kirito and Eugeo's quest to reach the Central Cathedral, the pair have finally become elite disciples at the North Centoria Imperial Swordcraft Academy. Now all that's left to do is train for the next tournament, build their relationships with their trainee pages, and do so without violating the Taboo Index. But just because this peaceful world is governed by law and order doesn't mean evil can't fester below the surface and when it comes time to choose between the rules and what's right, Kirito and Eugeo discover the darker secrets of the Underworld.

### **Sword Art Online Progressive, Vol. 1 (manga)**

Yuichiro and his friends head back to the Demon Army to prepare for the final battle. At the base, Kureto struggles to stave off Shikama Doji from controlling his body. But things quickly begin to fall apart when Shikama Doji also tries to take over Shinoa and Yuichiro! Will they be able to stop the possession? Or will they lose their bodies to the first progenitor? -- VIZ Media

### **Sword Art Online 5: Phantom Bullet (light novel)**

Before Kuroyukihime graduates, Haruyuki makes it his mission to travel to the Castle with Sky Raker and learn the clear conditions of Brain Burst as well as what lies at the pinnacle of the Accelerated World. When they arrive, they are warmly received by the dark silhouette of the dual-bladed swordsman, Graphite Edge! But Haruyuki can't afford to be stopped at this critical juncture. For in addition to finding the answers he seeks, Haruyuki learns that the Castle is home to The Fluctuating Light!

## **Sword Art Online 9 (light novel)**

Administrator's defeat has come at a heavy cost: The death of Eugeo as well as the mental decline of Kirito. Six months after the epic battle atop Central Cathedral, Kirito spends his days in the Underworld wheelchair-bound; bereft of emotion or even a will to live. Although Alice and Bercouli do what they can to help him, it isn't long before the armies of the dark territory are start to move in earnest. The "Final Stress Test" has begun. But will Kirito be ready?

## **Sword Art Online 11 (light novel)**

Two years after waking up in a mysterious fantasy world, Kirito and his oddly human NPC friend, Eugeo, continue their quest to become Integrity Knights--and find Alice, who disappeared so long ago and yet has somehow lingered in the back of Kirito's mind. Their journey takes them to the Imperial Swordcraft Academy, where they must train to become two of the top twelve seats in the class to have even a hope of seeing Alice again. Meanwhile, as Asuna desperately searches for Kazuto Kirigaya, she stumbles across the deeper secret of his new world

## **Sword Art Online: Girls' Ops, Vol. 4**

Prepare for a full dive! The crimes of the Acceleration Research Society are numerous and unforgivable. The White Legion, Oscillatory Universe--suspected to be connected to the Society--will answer for their atrocities. After intense negotiation, Nega Nebulus and Prominence take the final plunge and become one unified Legion to confront White Cosmos and her enigmatic entourage. But Haruyuki can hardly wrap his mind around the increased might of his Legion that has now tripled in size! He'll need to keep his wits about him, though, because the biggest surprise is yet to come

## **Sword Art Online Alternative Gun Gale Online, Vol. 2 (light novel)**

Despite everyone's best attempts, the Great Separation and resurrection of Aincrad have begun to dismantle the world of SAO. Now Kirito and his friends must head straight into the heart of the floating castle and stop Premiere's other half, Tia, but can they make it in time to save their beloved game?! Stakes are high in this final showdown of Hollow Realization!

## **Sword Art Online 17 (light novel)**

## **Accel World, Vol. 18 (light novel)**

One of the most renowned figures in science fiction, C.J. Cherryh has been enthralling audiences for nearly thirty years with rich and complex novels. Now at the peak of her career, this three-time Hugo Award winner launches her most ambitious work in decades, *Hammerfall*, part of a far-ranging series, *The Gene Wars*, set in an entirely new universe scarred by the most vicious of future weaponry, nanotechnology. In this brilliant novel -- possibly Cherryh's masterwork -- the fate of billions has come down to a confrontation between two profoundly alien cultures on a single desert planet. "The mad shall be searched out and given to the Ila's messengers. No man shall conceal madness in his wife, or his son, or his daughter, or his father. Every one must be delivered up." -- *The Book of the Ila's Au'it Marak* has suffered the madness his entire life. He is a prince and warrior, strong and shrewd and expert in the ways of the desert covering his planet. In the service of his father, he has dedicated his life to overthrowing the Ila, the mysterious eternal dictator of his world. For years he has successfully hidden the visions that plague him -- voices pulling him eastward, calling Marak, Marak, Marak, amid mind-twisting visions of a silver tower. But when his secret is discovered, Marak is betrayed by his own father and forced to march in an endless caravan with the rest of his world's madmen to the Ila's city of Oburan. Instead of death, Marak finds in Oburan his destiny, and the promise of life -- if he can survive what is surely a suicidal mission. The Ila wants him to discover the source of the voices and visions that afflict the mad. Despite the danger of the hostile desert, tensions within the caravan, and his own excruciating doubts, Marak miraculously reaches his goal -- only to be given another, even more impossible mission by the strange people in the towers. According to these beings who look like him yet act differently than anyone he has ever known, Marak has a slim chance to save his world's people from the wrath of Ila's enemies. But to do so, he must convince them all -- warring tribes, villagers, priests, young and old, as well as the Ila herself -- to follow him on an epic trek across the burning desert before the hammer of the Ila's foes falls from the heavens above. Written with deceptive simplicity and lyricism, this riveting, fast-paced epic of war, love, and survival in a brave new world marks a major achievement from the masterful C.J. Cherryh.

### **Is It Wrong to Try to Pick Up Girls in a Dungeon?, Vol. 14 (light novel)**

READ THE NOVEL THAT IGNITED THE PHENOMENON! After a brief respite, Kirito and Eugeo set off again to climb Central Cathedral-but the powerful Integrity Knights are not about to let them reach the top. Meanwhile, Kirito has learned the dark history of the Underworld and the true stakes of the battle they're fighting, and every step toward Alice brings him closer to an impossible decision

### **Sword Art Online: Fairy Dance, Vol. 3 (manga)**

Old frenemies become staunch allies as the strongest team in the history of Gun Gale is born! This time, LPFM, named for Llenn, Pitohui, Fukaziroh, and M, will enter the third Squad Jam and overcome fierce competition as they aim for the top!

But with a map that's slowly sinking into the sea, an UNKNOWN area at its center, and a "special rule" that won't come into effect until the competition nears its end, this Squad Jam certainly seems shrouded in mystery

### **Sword Art Online 19 (light novel)**

Their elaborate schoolroom deception at an end, Earl Ciel Phantomhive and his peerless manservant, Sebastian, finally hit upon the truth behind the incident of the vanished students at Weston College. Just what tragic steps did the elites of the school, spurred on by their overwhelming sense of justice, take to stamp out the bullying with which the halls of their institution had run rife?! What began as a seemingly simple case of missing persons goes round and round, spinning out of control into a great menace, one capable of perplexing even a devil of a butler

### **Sword Art Online 1: Aincrad (light novel)**

Naofumi obtains the mirror vassal weapon from Kizuna's world, which can enhance abilities through food. Now Naofumi and his allies start stuffing their faces for the sake of getting stronger! But there's a limit to how much volume they can stomach. Seeking food that can better boost their abilities in smaller servings, the party heads to a town inhabited by a famous chef. However, after a trivial comment, Naofumi finds himself facing down the chef in an all-out cooking battle! "There's nothing fair, and no rules in this place! That means only a master of foul play and cunning will be the victor!" How will Naofumi's cooking skills, so praised by his allies, fare in this culinary challenge amid unknown surroundings? Get ready to feast on the eighteenth volume of this still rising otherworld fantasy!

### **The Rising of the Shield Hero Volume 18**

READ THE NOVEL THAT IGNITED THE PHENOMENON! Kirito reenters the world of VRMMOs, this time logging in to Gun Gale Online in order to investigate the Death Gun, an in-game item rumored to be responsible for real-world deaths. He immediately runs into trouble when, after transferring his old avatar into the new game, he discovers that he looks a bit more feminine than he'd anticipated! With the help of Sinon the sniper, he enters the Bullet of Bullets tournament and tries to adapt his old skills to the new gun-based combat of Gun Gale Online. He'll need every friend he can get and every trick in the book, though, to learn the truth about the Death Gun!

### **Sword Art Online Progressive 7 (light novel)**

Yuuki Asuna was a top student who spent her days studying at cram school and preparing for her high school entrance

exams--but that was before she borrowed her brother's virtual reality game system and wound up trapped in Sword Art Online with ten thousand other frightened players. As time passes, Asuna fears what will become of her life outside the fantasy realm--the failure she might be seen as in the eyes of her peers and parents. Unwilling to wait on the sidelines for more experienced gamers to beat the game, Asuna employs her study habits to learn the mechanics of the game--and swordplay. Her swiftness impresses Kirito, a professional gamer who invites Asuna to join the best players on the front line. Is Asuna ready to swap class rankings for player rankings and join Kirito?

### **Accel World, Vol. 20 (light novel)**

Searching for even the slightest clue on how to escape the barrier of Sanctuary, Subaru must rely on Return from Death once more! Beginning the loop again, he must find the courage to face Elza, the terrifying assassin obsessed with gouging out the innards of her targets--and the first person to kill Subaru! The greatest challenge he'll have to face isn't knives or swords, but confusion when events play out completely differently from his last life!

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