

MANGA ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

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I have been enjoying reading Manga since I was young. Manga are Japanese comic books that are popular worldwide because of the cinematic qualities and epic storytelling. Artists and cartoonists around the world have been inspired by Japanese Manga. There is a wide variety of Manga available for kids as well as adults. Comic books like Manga promote literacy by attracting a wider audience with unique visuals compared to regular textbooks. Kids obtain excellent reading comprehension by reading Manga. Adults find it very enjoyable reading Manga. Educators may consider to use Japanese comic books as a tool for promoting literacy. Students who do not like reading long novels may find Manga quite inviting to read. Because of my personal talent in arts, I am exploring ways to integrate Manga across the curriculum to make the lessons of math, science, and social studies accurate and more interesting.