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Following the events of volume 1, Attack on Titan vol. 2 picks up at the fall of Ziganshina and the titans going on a spree. Humanity, trying to fight back against the hoard of titans let in due to the appearance of the Colossal titan, can only watch as their comrades get eaten. While this chaos is happening, two flashbacks show the origins of the main characters Eren Jaeger, Mikasa Ackermann, and Armin Arlet and how they meet each other. Eren and Mikasa, having been friends since childhood, go through an event that will seal their friendship forever. With nowhere to go, Mikasa decides to live with Eren and his family from thereon. After some close calls, Mikasa and Armin fend off against the titans with the help of their squad members Connie, Jean, and Sasha. Mikasa finds herself in a dire situation when her ODM gear breaks, causing her to fall to the ground and be spotted by a titan. Accepting that this is the end, Mikasa stands up one last time to fight, just as Eren told her all those years ago.

This volume has way more action than the first and less of the world building since that has been set already. I think this volume is the perfect follow up to what the first has laid out regarding the world and character introductions. Mikasa's titan slaying skills are unmatched and so entertaining to see how many she takes down alongside her friends, making her my favorite character. The flashbacks shown are surprisingly tragic but they set up the three main characters for who they are and who they grow up to be.

I would definitely recommend reading the second volume if you have already read the first because it only adds to what was given in the first. Attack on Titan's premise is very unique and the mystery of the world is extremely gripping, leaving the reader to want to figure out these mysteries