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Ed, Alphonse and their mechanic Winry go south in search of Izumi Curtis, the master alchemist who taught the brothers how to use alchemy. But in the boomtown of Rush Valley, an encounter with a pickpocket turns them down a different path in search of an auto-mail blacksmith whose handiwork is the best that Winry has ever seen. Then the action flashes back to the past to show how Ed and Alphonse first learned alchemy...

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### Radwa says

This manga deals in a very good way with the idea of how sacred a human life is, whether through witnessing a woman giving birth, or dealing with the whole "bringing people back from the dead" thing.

I loved seeing more of winry in this volume, and I loved the extensive details of the two brothers' background and past, and what they went through.

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### Caroline says

This might be favorite volume yet (I think I started with too many stars! There's nowhere to go!) It's been a few books since the boys really used their alchemy interesting ways, but here there are a lot of cool uses of powers. And there is my new hero, Winry Rockbell, deciding that if she can be an awesome cybernetics mechanic, she can for damn sure deliver a baby if circumstances require. Also, this volume gets into the boys' personal history and introduces their mentor/substitute mom. I love how no-nonsense the women in these stories are, and how the boys really act like the (often bratty, mood-swingy) teenagers that they are. This series is so fun and creative with a huge range of tone -- from funny/wacky to dark and metaphysical, often within the same chapter.

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### André says

First read Oct. 2013: Pretty sure I'm just going to go through and rate every single volume five stars because I just love this whole series so much I can't even.

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### Maria Kaye says

Thief with the automails for legs is so damn annoying, also I'm dreading any flashbacks of human transmutation :( it's so unsettling to see and read.

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### Rachel says

This volume's character gushing is devoted to Winry Rockbell.

Oh, Winry. Girl-next-door, wench with a wrench, childhood friend to the Elric brothers, and blushing love interest for Edward...if only either of them would admit to it. A dedicated automail mechanic, in the tradition of her grandmother, Pinako, and inclined to minor medical treatment in homage to her doctor parents.

Having had her own share of tragedies, she remains positive and cheerful, caring and sensitive, and quick with a wrench to the skull if you dare cross her the wrong way. What's not to love? Sure, she almost shot somebody once, but she got over the impulse.

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## **Bones says**

Los personajes femeninos son algo increíble.

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## **Ronit Ray says**

How people found this to be the best volume so far is beyond me. I'd probably give it a 2.5. Bunny or whoever was irritating, entire volume felt like a filler with a lot of lame comedy till the last chapter, which was wonderful. Going to see this through, but this was quite a setback.

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## **Becky says**

*Is she broken?*

*No, honey, she's dead.*

*But Mrs. Izumi, you can fix anything, right?*

*Menny, life is not an object, and I'm not a god. Chiko had a life, just like you do. But Chiko's life has stopped and will never return. I can't give Chiko back her life... but I can make her a grave.*

I like this series, but I haven't been nearly as into it as my friends are. But I REALLY liked this one. It introduced some fantastic new characters, Winry delivered a baby like a boss, and I am so in love with Izumi and her husband it's not even funny. This is the first time I read one of these and immediately picked up the next one.

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## **????? ???????? says**

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## **Aliix says**

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## **daisy says**

I'm quite a bit further ahead with the FMA: Brotherhood anime so for the most part it's nothing new, but I just really love this series so 5 stars from me : " )

I think I'm getting close to the Greed parts... Which is good bc I love him.

### **Esmā Tezgi says**

Biraz'nı okuyayım diye ba'lam??t'm, hepsi bitti. Elric karde?lerin ge?mi?i ayd?nlan?yor, nas?l e?itim gördüler, simya yolculuklar? nas?l ba?lad? bunlar? ö?reniyoruz. Ancak bu ciltte sadece küçük bir k?sm'n? ö?renebiliyoruz, di?er ciltte her ?ey daha netle?ecektir.

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### **Sylwia (Wish Fulfillment) says**

I'm starting to get pretty bored with this. The story is moving too slowly for me now and I don't see the end in sight.

The one cool thing is that the female creator's agenda has thus far been to put women in high skill positions. I'm with that.

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### **Caroline says**

GREAT again! I love the art and the characters so much! Some of the little ongoing jokes are so adorable and funny- Edward raging when he gets called short and Alphonse with his list of things he wants to do when he is no longer a suit of armour. God I love this series!

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### **Mal says**

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### **Stephany says**

Uno es todo , todo es uno  
La ley del mundo

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### **Emma Thompson says**

FMA vol 5 is chapters 17-21

Alright, so this first starts off with Ed, Al, and Winry traveling to Rush Valley. Rush Valley is basically a

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town full of automail mechanics and automail limbs. Again, side characters poke fun at Ed's shortness and Al's hugeness, which is always fun to read about! While in Rush Valley, Ed gets robbed of his State Alchemist watch by a girl named Bunny. It was suspenseful (not to mention funny too!) to watch Ed chase Bunny because, well.....he sucked. Ed got help from Al and Winry and caught Bunny. Turns out, Bunny has two automail legs. Bunny takes Ed, Al, and Winry to the man who made her legs. They meet the man, named Tommy, and his daughter, Sadila and her husband, Lear. Ed and Al marvel at how Sadila is pregnant and due soon. I felt bad for them though as they made remarks about how they were like that in their mom's stomach.....I related to Winry though when she was a nerd about automail to Mr. Tommy (like I am with planes!) and how she was passionate when she spoke. While they were staying at Mr. Tommy's place, Sadila gave birth! Winry's parents were military doctors, so Winry helped with the birthing. Ed and Al were very excited and interested in the baby, and Ed was comparing it to alchemy and how alchemists can't create life but a mother can. Ed though got mad at Winry though for opening his watch that had a secret in it. Ed forgives Winry and promises that he will become stronger. On Ed and Al's next trip they travel to Dublth to look for their old master. They find her, and ask her about the Philosopher's Stone. She tells them she met their dad, Hoenhaim who was into stones. Ed demonstrates his alchemy after not seeing his master a while, but she is shocked to see that he doesn't need to use a circle to transmute like a normal alchemist. Their master eventually finds out that they committed the ultimate taboo, like she once did to try and bring back her dead baby. Then chapter 21 is a whole flashback of how Ed and Al decided to resurrect their mother. I can relate to them though by wanting to bring a dead family member back. Overall, this volume was quite relatable and fun to read.

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### **Jedi JC Daquis says**

Volume 5, I still love it. It doesn't tread on the main storyline but this still is a necessary volume for character development. FMA, despite its originality still has the usual badass teacher trope we have seen and read in countless anime and manga.

The philosophy about life is rich in this book, simplified yes, but still gives you something to think about.

Winry also did shine in this volume and I really, really wanted to see what would happen to her.

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### **Gabriela Paige says**

Ooohhh!!! The start of some backstory. Well, this shall be interesting!

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### **Celine says**

This series is amazing and I wish I owned the other twenty volumes already. The fifth volume of Fullmetal Alchemist focusses on the miracle (and tragedy) of human life - it is easily created yet also easily lost. This volume also sees Winry grow into a more all-round character and introduces some more kick-ass ladies. I cannot wait to see more of Ed and Al's journey.

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