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Nobodies-empty shells created when a person's heart is lost to darkness. The Nobody Roxas, created when Sora released his heart to free Kairi's and who knows nothing of his past, joins the mysterious Organization XIII soon after his birth. With the help of Axel, another member of the organization, and the mysterious Number XIV, who is also missing her memories, Roxas slowly begins to learn what it takes to be a part of Organization XIII...and what it means to have a heart.

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## **From Reader Review Kingdom Hearts 358/2 Days, Vol. 1 for online ebook**

### **Luis Campos R says**

"Pitiful Heartless, mindlessly collecting hearts. The rage of the Keyblade releases those hearts. They gather in darkness, masterless and free... until they weave together to make Kingdom Hearts. And when that time comes, we can truly, finally exist"

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### **Tracy says**

So I checked this book out when it was covered with paper for Blind Date with a Book. I kinda guessed it was Kingdom Hearts because manga + Disney cover description. Initially it was a little silly for me. I don't understand why the organization's members don't have hearts and why Kingdom Hearts exists. What is going on with Roxas and Xion? Do they know each other from before? Do they have other identities they don't remember? Yeah, I guess I'm supposed to keep reading to find out.

Note: I own at least one Kingdom Hearts game but have never played it. I like Final Fantasy (I've played FF 4-10 and 13 + 13-2.. and Tactics) and Disney separately, but the mix seems really weird to me. I think I recognized the butt of a duck (Donald?) on one page, but no overt Disney-ness yet. Probably will read the next one.

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### **Ariadna says**

Akuroku (L)

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### **Alex Deaette says**

As a fan of the Kingdom Hearts series, 358/2 Days was one of my favorites in the series. I like Roxas and the life he spent in Organization XIII through out the whole series. I found every character in Organization XIII to be quite interesting, including some characters that I despised with a passion in the games for "specific reasons". this manga gave me laughs and feels from start to finish, and I enjoyed it all the way.

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### **Riku says**

I Loved it. I'm a huge Organization XII fan and this manga is all about them. Like with all Kingdom Hearts manga It's really funny with an interesting but complicated plot.

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## **Jenna says**

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## **Randa Mathias says**

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## **Katie says**

I love Kingdom Hearts so much, and Roxas is my fave, so I am very glad that I am finally reading this series of the KH manga. I think that these volumes will be actually be better than the game. Even though I liked the game (again, Roxas is my fave), it wasn't the best in the series so the manga could be an improvement over it. Very excited to continue with it!

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## **Colin says**

My Book Review

Kingdom Hearts 356/2 days gives us a strong view over the Kingdom Hearts series. The story shows us some parts of what happened in KH1 and KH2. I strongly recommend this book if you like Kingdom Hearts. It shows you the in between line of the main series games. The main plot is how there is a new Organization 13 member and their name is Xion, user of the KeyBlade. She is connect to Roxas in more ways than one. They share Sora's Memory. The more that Xion is hanging around Roxas, the more she regains that Memory. While Roxas dreams those Memory's, Xion has flashbacks during Battles, talking to someone, etc. I would rate this book 9 out of 10. The reason that I didn't give it 10 out of 10 is because the story isn't the same as the videogame. The videogame for the DS is different than the book, because they were in made in different years. If you like Anime and Manga, then, you should read this book.

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## **Vicki Andrews says**

There's something so magical about Kingdom Hearts, but I love the tragedy that is 358/2 Days. This manga volume really pulls at your heart strings near the end, and if you already played the game then you know how it all plays out. But I love all of the little jokes and comedic relief bits that they've added in.

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## **Victoria says**

It is a great book to read

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### **Kelcey says**

These were a great manga representation of the game! I feel that the author/illustrator did a great job capturing the essence of the characters especially the nuances of each organization member and the antics of the Dusks. Seriously, I was smiling if I wasn't having feelings about certain Nobodies...

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### **Jake Chapman says**

Great story it makes me play the game every time i read these manga books

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### **readbyriane says**

This was ok. but with no background knowledge about Kingdom Hearts I was pretty confused throughout most of this.

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### **Selena says**

Having followed the KH series for a long time, both games and manga, I was somewhat worried when I saw they were turning this entry into the KH saga into a manga. The original game was only so-so and certainly wasn't my favorite in the series \*is shot by Organization fans\*, and after having read and been disappointed with Kingdom Hearts II, Vol. 2, I started this with trepidation.

I was WOWED by this volume. And I mean WOWED. Granted, I came in expecting to read the first volume and drop the series, but that's beside the point. Somehow, the episodic nature of 358/2 Days translated FAR better to manga than KH1 and 2 did. It also helped that we had Roxas's thoughts *as they were happening* (whereas in the game we had to read Roxas's diary afterward). Also, the art seemed a step up from previous volumes, and the quirky-art-moments were more well-placed.

This probably is not a good place to start the KH series, but you could probably read this one without reading KH2's manga (so, just read KH1's and CoM's).

EDIT UPON FINISHING THE SERIES: Even if you've played the game, read the manga. So much has been fleshed out and improved upon compared to the series. It actually made me *like* Xion and hope to see her in future installments, and I didn't much care for her after the original game.

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### **Christina says**

With the long awaited announcement of the release date of Kingdom Hearts 3, I felt like I really wanted to read some Kingdom Hearts 2 manga. But 358/2 Days was all I had in my possession, so I settled for it

instead.

Honestly, I'm really confused. I knew about Xion, I know what happens to her and what she is and why she can't use the keyblade when Roxas is using it. However, I'm still so confused. Does this take place before or after the events of Kingdom Hearts 2? Because, I've only read the first volume of that as well but Roxas seems to also have no memory of the Nobodies and fighting the Heartless, etc. Where in 358/2 Days he has no memories AT ALL to the point where he's just a shell, a zombie, until Axel teaches him how to live without a heart, and makes memories with him.

It has been two years since I really touched anything Kingdom Hearts related so I don't remember a lot, which made me really confused. If I better understood what I was reading, maybe I would have given this a fourth star.

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### **Jennette says**

Loved it

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### **Alazne says**

Lo compré por pura nostalgia. El 358/2 days es mi videojuego favorito (siempre que lo juego lloro), y les tengo muchísimo cariño a los personajes. Así que cuando vi que tenían los primeros tomos en Norma comics, me los tuve que comprar (en realidad, me compré primero este, y una semana después el siguiente). No leo manga, así que no puedo comparar las ilustraciones con otras, pero me han parecido una maravilla (sobre todo las de la torre del reloj de Villa Crepúsculo). Es muy fiel al juego, y bastante más divertido: a veces hay casi más memes que trama entre sus páginas.

Si le tienes tanto cariño a Roxas, Axel, Xion y el resto como les tengo yo, es una buena adquisición. No me ha cambiado la vida, pero nunca está de más visitar de nuevo el mundo de las llaves espada y los incorpóreos, buscando respuestas y un corazón.

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### **Michelle says**

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### **Kimberlee says**

I'm kind of surprised how much I liked the manga adaptations of *Kingdom Hearts 358/2 Days*, especially since the actual game was sort of a miss for me. I found the the pacing of the game glacial and the feeling of the Org XIII Headquarters very bleak. However, the manga goes along steadily and the interaction between the Organization members is really entertaining.

It seems like the strange humor that occurs in the previous mangas (KH1, Chain of Memories, and KH2) is better managed. I never really understood why people liked the nobodies of Organization XIII so much. From playing the games, I just couldn't relate or sympathize with any of them, but Roxas and Axel. However, I legitimately liked a few of the members by the end of this manga series. Reading 358/2 before I read the KH2 manga series paid unexpected dividends, because I was able to enjoy the humorous

interactions between Sora and the Org XIII members so much more.

By the way, can anyone confirm that Demyx is the Org XIII member that gets blasted by the Claymore system in the 2nd KH2 manga? Because that would have been even more HILARIOUS than it already was if true.

Anyway, there's a good improvement in the overall quality of this manga adaptation. The art is consistently good. The story is well managed, even with the extras thrown in. I really get a sense of Roxas, Axel, and Xion's "feelings" throughout. I would absolutely recommend this series to anyone who wants greater insight into the characters and story line between KH1 and KH2.

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