
Subject: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2003 12:29:02 GMT

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There's things that, while not "bad," are really overdone in anime fanfics... I can name some examples for Sailor Moon. I'm not including all lemony examples because I don't think the server can handle that much data posted at once :lol:

So... Clichés:

- Naru turning into Sailor Earth.
- Some random OC being Mamoru's long-lost twin sister (often it's the authoress' anime self) that had been amnesic and returns as Sailor Earth to beat the evil guys (after the other Senshi are plastered in the walls by said evil guys.) I have a Sailor Earth like that in my fics, but she has been always there (Laws of AU allow such things to happen. ;))
- Jadeite coming back for revenge. "Hey he was not killed in the anime." That's true, but it's still overdone (and leaves place for plotheles you could drive a bus through. ;))
- Crossing anime series that have _nothing_ in common with Sailor Moon, giving no reason for them to cross. And no, the "Usagi trips on a can and falls through a plothele" excuse doesn't work for everyone. :lol:

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2003 12:48:36 GMT

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Pokemon:

- (Male/ Female) Trainer gets his/her first Pokemon and goes on a trip, living a carbon copy of the adventures of Ash and friends.
- Ash finds a new, strange, overpowered Pokemon, which Pikachu proceeds to defeat in a blink (Even if said Poke is Rock+Dragon or some other type that would effortlessly shrug off all of Pikachu's physical and elemental attacks.)
- Ash finds the girl of his dreams and kicks Misty out. Said girl, for some strange reason, is just like the authoress sans flaws.

Digimon/02:

- "Whatthef**kmon," an evil Digimon that would eat Omnimon for breakfast, goes and attacks the Earth (without using a portal or a digivice. Damn he must be powerful :roll:) So Tai/Dai and

friends (or both groups) go and defeat it in a blink. Did I mention it was supposedly strong enough to defeat Omnimon anyway? Good. Hope you see the point to a fic like that, I fail to.

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2003 12:52:13 GMT
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Razor Knight wrote on Thu, 05 June 2003 09:29
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I should have mentioned that, whilst she's an OC, she neither overpowers Sailor Moon (in fact Earth is average power-wise) nor she goes after any canon character. And even if she did, there's a big chance all male canon characters would remain untouched. ;)

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Lord Aaron](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2003 22:37:46 GMT
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Lord Aaron, and heres some for Inuyasha...
*Kagome becoming/gaining demonic power via insane plot contaviance or sex(im still counting the numbers of *those* fics i have on my computer)
*InuYasha choosing Kikyo over Kagome for some unknown, un explained reason all so Kagome can land in the lemony clutches of some character(read: Fluffy-chan AKA:Sesshomaru)
*Inuyasha becoming a full demon and going after(read: x-lemoning) Kagome
*Some demon in heat, causing lemon levels to reach higly fruity levels(A-ha, another bad pun)
*Inuyasha and Kagome going to kagome's time to live, and have a totally unexplained lemon(notice how i read more lemons than anything else... :roll:)
*The well being destroyed, causing somebody to revel their feelings for somebody else and oh my, another lemon!
*An alternate universe where its Naraku/kagome (for yet still some unexplained reason)

Lord Aaron: ***Goes, on and on and on... until he finds that his energizer batteries need replacing***

.....

Aaron: I read WAAAYYYYYY to much lemon fiction... :nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Myst_Lady](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2003 22:57:57 GMT
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Like Sailor Moon Crossover, betrayal crap! The Sailor Senshi or Mamoru turning against Usagi.

:nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Thu, 05 Jun 2003 23:16:10 GMT
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Myst_Lady wrote on Thu, 05 June 2003 19:57Like Sailor Moon Crossover, betrayal crap! The Sailor Senshi or Mamoru turning against Usagi.

:nonono:

Specially if it all comes down to someone else getting either Mamoru or Usagi out of the blue... Yes I forgot to put that one.

One thing that's not overdone, is AUs inside AUs... Think having a different version of your "creation." I'm planning on a dark, devastated version of Cyber Moon, and it'll be within the fic itself.

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Shasta](#) on Fri, 06 Jun 2003 16:26:08 GMT

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I can't believe I'm saying this about mah favorite show, but here goes....

DRAGONBALL Z/GT

-Goku hogs all the glory, even though the only villain he ever truely beat was Bebi with the Genki Dama.

-They all turn Super Saiyen 20000 at some point

- Trunks is usually whiny and stubborn (in DBGT fics)

- Cell hates 2nd form (see chapter 5 of my fic 'Thorns Of The Roses')

-Vegeta gets a job as a porn star after ratings on DBGT drop dramtically (if you have'nt seen DBGT, you won't get this)

-Every time a new Saiyajin arrives on Earth, it's usually the authors's anime self.

-The before-mentioned Saiyajin is almost ALWAYS female.

-Vegeta can usually be found prancing around in pink spandex

-Trunks, on returning to the future, hunts down Android Eighteen, but in a turn of events, ends up falling in love it her.

-Goku is usually the submissive one in the Vegeta/Goku relationships.

and here's a few others.

POKEMON

-Ash ALWAYS wins EVERY frickin' battle, even if the trainer is using a lv 1000000 Mew against his lowly Puke-a-chu...

-Team Rocket NEVER catch a break.

-Ash falls in love with Misty *barf*

-Team Rocket blast off at least 3 times in the entire fic, getting seriously injured. *growl*

-Brock flirts with everyone (but you already knew that... :sdrop:)

TENCHI MUYO

-Ryoko kills Ayeaka.

-Noboyuki (Tenshi's father) has a huge stash of porno mags.

- Tenchi always falls for the most likely person, usually Ryoko.

-Washu is ALWAYS the one responsible for the gang getting trapped in an alternate dimension.

-Mihoshi is usually portrayed as a whore in lemon fics.

Eeeee, I'd post more, but my anime intake is EXTREMELY limited! :sdrop:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [SilentWillow920](#) on Fri, 06 Jun 2003 16:35:43 GMT

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As goes for any fiction:

Random character being not human and with some extraordinary powers that manifest just in the nick of time to defeat some random bad guy (with help of special interest character of the same species that he/she somehow met. Such character is often the anime version of the author) and then said character decides to abandon any other love interest he/she previously had and go after

the new character. This is especially pointless if left unexplained.

I must admit, I write fictions somewhat like this... :blush: The difference is that in my fictions, said non-human race almost never has special powers (and if it does, those powers pale in comparison to whatever said character can do on his/her own), random bad guy is never random and always a fully-fleshed out character, nick of time defeat is surprising and not always a win for the good side, nick of time defeat is never anti-climatic, other species characters that said character meets might be love interests but are never Mary-Sues and the relationship never works out, and explanations are rich, gooey, thick, sweet, unexpected, and ooh-so fine, and plots are masterfully twisted. :twisted:

...Then again, this can be argued. ^_^

Above all else, what I absolutely hate is a cliché Mary Sue. Original characters are fine, but I'd rather read a story that focuses more on the already present characters.

Another cliché:

"Me and my friends" slip through a portal into our favorite anime/game and hit on all our favorite characters and have special powers. We accompany said characters along their adventures in a poorly written manuscript with no punctuation and a grammar level of pre kindergarten, all the while having surprisingly little effect on the original storyline except the rampant use of various cuss words, poor sexual innuendos, and perhaps taking the virginity of several favorite characters after killing off their current love interests. Surprisingly, said characters are happy at their previous lovers' deaths and surrender quietly. To make the story even more sickeningly sweet, said favorite characters sometimes accompany the "me and my friends" group back to Earth, keeping all special powers, and go on to live the good life.

Bleah.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Fri, 06 Jun 2003 20:07:38 GMT

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Well I have an "anime self" in my SM fic... But he's _so_ not a Gary Stu... He gets kicked around every two battles (if somewhere I left him pass more than two battles unharmed, it was completely unintentional) doesn't get the girl I like the most (he's too old for her *cough cough*) Well she still got the second-best :) And up to this day he has yet to eliminate a major evil character on his own.

Other cliché I forgot to mention: Evil youma turns good and joins the Senshi. The only way I can see a 'youma turned good' fic going well, is by said youma emulating Nephrite. To quote Rei in

one of the fics I read long time ago "The only good youma is the dead youma." (Think about it, the only 'good' youma that ever showed up was Nephrite, and he's dead. Rei's right.)

~Razor Knight~

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Posted by [ravishing maiden](#) on Fri, 06 Jun 2003 21:29:46 GMT

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Posted by [Shasta](#) on Fri, 06 Jun 2003 22:10:01 GMT

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Motion lotion! Oh, I'm such a little pervert!

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Arii_sama](#) on Sat, 07 Jun 2003 00:09:25 GMT

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Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Hime-sama](#) on Sat, 07 Jun 2003 06:38:24 GMT

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Ariri_sama wrote on Fri, 06 June 2003 14:09I love how now matter how maniacal/insane/homocidal/psychotic the male character is--he'll be the perfect loving husband to the mary sue just because of her personality.

Well of course...you wouldn't wan tyour husband to go and kill you right? :p

Oh god, I hate those multiple stroies where Usagi is betrayed by only the Inner Senshi and then she and the Outer Senshi are transported somewhere else by Pluto (Usually in the Gundam Wing timeline) and she immediately falls for either Duo or Hiro and they fall for her and Relena is some whacked out psycho stalker...and I could keep going and going...

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Veggie Trunks](#) on Sun, 08 Jun 2003 02:19:32 GMT

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I think it's the little detailed cliches that matter, not the actual cliché plots. *Now you get to here me talk my ass off!^^*

I think the most common one I see is in the higschool fics. Now, I have one myself, but I've purposely put things in it because I wanted to set mine apart from the other, even though it still have some of the "cliches" of the "cliche" higschool fic.

Typical DBZ Higschool fic: Most, if not always, are B/Vs (Which I love and love Vegeta! :D-oh...sorry...*cough*). Everyone knows each other except, sometimes, Vegeta's the newbie. Everyone has the best friend (Bulma and Chi Chi, Krillin to Goku to Vegeta.) Then there's the male hoe, Yamcha. Then you have the one girl no one likes and this girl wants Vegeta. This happens to be the same girl Yamcha is screwing. Bulma, who has gone with Yamcha on and off for months, finally breaks up with him for good, whether she FINALLY caught him cheating and/or he hit her. If he hit her, Vegeta beats his ass. If she just dumps him, either way she falls for Vegeta. Something like a fight or a big party happens. Vegeta and Bulma fall in love. The end.

Now, that's the cliché that I see all the time. But I really don't think it's the necessarily cliché plot that it's the problem, it's what happens inside the plot. Sometimes, it's the little details that count! Because I can tell you, alot of those things are true with mine. Yamcha's a hoe, the same one that wants Vegeta is the one he's screwing, they know each other, and they all go to the same higschool.

How is it different? Well without telling you everything, here goes...

- 1) Vegeta just moved from his home planet, which was destroyed by someone else OTHER than Frieza (Frieza isn't even in it!) to Earth with his mother.
- 2) They all live in the same neighborhood but that is because when they moved there, all of the

houses were vacant (new neighborhood) they had no connection and it is possible that they all moved there over the summer so they haven't known each other THAT long.

3) Vegeta had no idea that they lived there until the first day of school, which is when they actually moved in, and didn't find out until after school, AFTER he met them.

4) Vegeta is NOT Goku's best friend. They have a sort of friendish relationship but not best friends, hanging around each other all the time like the usual.

5) Krillin is barely even in the fanfiction, so he can't be Goku's BF!! :p

6) The plot is also split. In one sense, it's Bulma and Vegeta getting together, but in another, it's Vegeta adjusting to living on Earth, and now he has reason to suspect that the person who blew up his home planet is on Earth now, so that's another side.

Just alot of other things too. I didn't put the main focus on them being in highschool, which is the key. A highschool fic just means that they're in highschool ;). So, basically, my point is, LITTLE DETAILS MATTER. But anywayz, I'm gonna shut up now ^^;;

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Angelhart](#) on Sun, 08 Jun 2003 19:28:28 GMT
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Just some B/V cliches

1. Vegeta biting Bulma
2. Vegeta and Bulma bonding
3. Vegeta always yelling for Bulma to fix his Gravity room.
4. Yamcha cheating on Bulma

Explanation:

1 and 2: I don't know who started it, but it seems to appear in almost every B/V romance fanfic. He bites her during sex and they suddenly have a bond. Why? It is not part of the real anime. So why write it?

3: Bulma's father made the gravity room in the anime and Bulma is just hanging around doing... well nothing actually. Reading some magazines, quarrelling with her mother and being concerned about Vegeta's health.

I do believe that later on Bulma is taking over her father's work, because he seems to forget stuff more and more. She may have helpt her father a bit, but in the end (if you follow the anime) it is always Bulma's father fixing this and fixing that.

So it shouldn't be:

"WOMAN! Fix my gravity room this instant!"

But it should be:

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4: Poor Yamcha. Although he is not my favorite character I actually feel sorry for him. He is a lady's man that's for sure, but Bulma didn't leave him for Vegeta, because he cheated on her. He looks at girls constantly, but that isn't cheating.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Veggie Trunks](#) on Sun, 08 Jun 2003 20:30:00 GMT

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Well, one thing about the bonding thing. I don't necessarily agree with the statement about why it should be in there if it's not in the anime. If you think about it, fan fiction is fiction because the stories that happen didn't happen in the anime.

But besides that, I believe it has to do with his heritage because that's all he talks about, so if she wants to marry him for hers, why can't he have something from his to show that they're together forever? Ya know?

And about Bulma and the gravity room thing, Bulma probably doesn't do the work because she doesn't have to. In the future time, she's constantly working on stuff. And plus, the author isn't trying to get Vegeta with Bulma, and besides that, Vegeta has a thing with bossing Bulma around, as we know, and callign her woman, which we know that too.

And as far as Yamcha, I do understand what you're saying but Yamcha doesn't seem like husband material at all. I don't think any woman would want a man who never stops staring at other women. It makes you feel bad, and sooner or later, it was likely that he would cheat. Let's face it, after he met Bulma and got over the fear of women, he became a hoe :p

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Becca Stareyes](#) on Mon, 09 Jun 2003 07:09:25 GMT

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I mainly read Slayers fanfic, with a little Escaflowne thrown in, but here's what I noticed.

Slayers:

1) Zelgadis's love interest of the fic (either Amelia, Lina or Mary Sue) gets herself turned into a chimera (either accidentally or on purpose). She angsts about being a freak, Zel angsts too, and they decide to become freaks together and fall in twu wuv or go on a quest for a cure and fall in twu wuv.

2) In Zel/Amelia fics, Amelia waits for Zel for an ungodly long period of time, considering she's the ONLY HEIR to a MAJOR WORLD POWER and is probably under TREMENDOUS PRESSURE TO MARRY, and Zel NEVER gives a definite answer as to when or if he'll be back.

3) In Zel/Amelia fics, some mention must be made of Amelia's bracelet (the one seen around Zel's canteen at the end of TRY). Either we get another story about how he got it (making it a lemon is not original, folks) or he goes to return it, or something. Not that this one doesn't make sense...

Escaflowne:

1) The Female Dragonslayer OC that is in love with Dilandau and grievously rewrites canon. Reveal Spoiler! kinda feels sorry for her, since, by all rights she should die at the hands of Van mid-season, and even, by the grace of the author, she should survive, her TWU WUV is actually Allen Schezar's baby sister. It would really amuse me if love really did conquer all, and the OC decided to maintain the relationship with Celena after the series.

2) The Hitomi is called back to Gaea for some reason plot. Okay, it's the only way, barring an AU, that you can write Van/Hitomi, but it is a cliché.

3) The movie!Celena Schezar (who usually seems to fall in love with movie!Dilandau). I suppose it makes sense, since Celena is one of the few Escaflowne characters who didn't appear in the movie.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [soyamiso](#) on Mon, 09 Jun 2003 07:22:09 GMT

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Just had to defend Yamcha in DBZ fics: He looks at women. He doesn't ogle them like Bulma does to attractive men. Bulma has salivated over some bad dudes, Gen. Blue, Oolong in his human male form, Frieza's henchman (the pretty boy whose name is currently forgotten -- and that was after Yamcha died a horrible death protecting Earth).....Bulma also considered dating Goku when she saw him grown up...she's the wronged one? -- Bah!

Other DBZ cliches:

- 1)Vegeta raped as a child
 - 2)Vegeta the biggest galactic man-slut falling for virginal Bulma
 - 3)Goku's intelligence is that of a two-year-old's
 - 4)Chi-Chi using that frying pan 10,000 times (she does have a bazooka and an arsenal of bullets, you know)
 - 5)Many more, but I'll stop here
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Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Ember](#) on Mon, 09 Jun 2003 08:22:48 GMT

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Angelhart wrote on Sun, 08 June 2003 20:28

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Have you visited adimra's site faq's <http://www.adimra.100megs6.com/bvfaq.html> of course its just a side note, but it is a purely fan created myth that has got out of control. In my opinion its an easy way of accounting for Vegeta's unconcern, but I'm not pointing fingers. I've written something close to a bond theme myself, no biting involved though.

Quote: 3: Bulma's father made the gravity room in the anime and Bulma is just hanging around doing... well nothing actually. Reading some magazines, quarrelling with her mother and being concerned about Vegeta's health.

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Too true.

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I agree with that in kind, but I'm pretty sure that in the Japanese version Mirai Trunks says that Yamcha cheats on Bulma, but I could be wrong I haven't got the episode to know for certain.

That being said, I agree with you, I may not be overly fond of Yamcha's character, but I hate to see Yamcha bashed so much. Again its an easy escape for B/V writers, I mean really, since when did being unfaithful become worse than mass murder? :lol: Again I'm guilty of this as well.

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Posted by [Veggie Trunks](#) on Mon, 09 Jun 2003 14:20:08 GMT

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Lol, I agree with the easy escape thing! It's just become a habit for us B/V writers.

But hey, they weren't even meant for each other in the first place. I bet if Bulma ever got her wish in Dragon Ball, Vegeta would have shown up (there was a fanfiction about that o.O I think it went very well) so I really don't care who she went with before :p

But anywayz, hmm...more cliches...

1) Bulma always has to cook for him (even though I'm sure Vegeta could probably do it himself if he really wanted to but he likes getting attention from his B-chan *Everyone awes* ;))

2)Vegeta calls her woman (which is really a cliché because Vegeta only calls her that ONCE in the actual series (well, as far as I've seen in the english and I've seen most of it) and there that was the "silly girl" comment but whatever) but it's fun so who cares?^^

3) I don't know if this is a cliché, but I know in most that I read, Vegeta is the one who does something REALLY wrong that screws up the relationship between him and Bulma (and then, ya know, they get back together somehow). Now, I think Vegeta may provoke something happening, but as far as the big thing, I think Bulma would be the one. Because she doesn't seem like she'd really understand them when they first start living together, and all she sees is the same image as everyone else, besides that she thinks he handsome (or sexy) but I dunno...oh whatever^^;;

Oh, and this is just a question, but I have always called Bulma's mother "Bunny" in my fanfictions. Now is that actually her name, like they say it in DBZ, or am I just loosing my mind? Because I just remember that there was one day when I started doing that but I can't remember why and it kills

me! :nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [MHTorringjan](#) on Tue, 10 Jun 2003 02:34:48 GMT

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Razor Knight wrote on Thu, 05 June 2003 07:29

- Jadeite coming back for revenge. "Hey he was not killed in the anime." That's true, but it's still overdone (and leaves place for plotheoles you could drive a bus through. ;))

I think that one could be extended to the majority of the Generals from the first season, with all of them being resurrected in various ways. I've seen that done a number of times, none of them successfully.

Also, we might want to include that the whole General/Senshi romance fics are a bit over-done. Not necessarily bad, just old hat.

Quote:

doesn't get the girl I like the most (he's too old for her *cough cough*)

~Razor Knight~

Really, we wouldn't have figured that one out... :p

M.H.

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MHTorringjan wrote on Mon, 09 June 2003 23:34Also, we might want to include that the whole General/Senshi romance fics are a bit over-done. Not necessarily bad, just old hat.

M.H.

All because of one single manga-style pic by Naoko Takeuchi. It's amazing how rumors start (besides we all know Nephrite was Naru's man, and from Naru to Mako there's a _huge_ difference.)

I know one guy (the maker of the longest Sailor Moon fic ever... And the fic ain't half bad, xcept it's dub-based,) who overdid the Generals bit... In fact he revived all of the series' bosses at least once. :?

~Razor Knight~

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Posted by [Angelhart](#) on Tue, 10 Jun 2003 21:08:28 GMT
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Veggie Trunks wrote on Mon, 09 June 2003 10:20

1) Bulma always has to cook for him (even though I'm sure Vegeta could probably do it himself if he really wanted to but he likes getting attention from his B-chan *Everyone awes* ;)

In the barbecue episode (at the end of the kid Buu saga) there are couple of bots running around serving food. Perhaps with all their technology the Brief's family doesn't cook at all. (Well maybe Mrs Brief just for fun).

And for Bulma... Well, she can't make a decent meal. Vegeta isn't stupid. I doubt he would ask Bulma to make him a meal when there are enough bots that can cook something you can actually eat.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Veggie Trunks](#) on Tue, 10 Jun 2003 21:45:16 GMT
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Lol, but if you think about it, in alot of fanfictions, he's always insulting her food, so that does show ;) But I guess to him, having a bad meal is worth it if he gets to get attention from his Bulma-chan :p AWE, isn't that cute? Veggie's in luuuvvvv!

Oh, and I was watching Fruits Basket, so I just gotta say this real quick:

Akito is SO SEXY!:D:D:D And Hatori is too, and so is Shigure! And Kyo's Master! :D:D:D- ahem *cough cough* okay, back to the subject...

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [P.H. Wise](#) on Fri, 13 Jun 2003 02:47:05 GMT

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Ranma 1/2

- 'Akane the homicidal maniac'

I'm getting more than a little fed up with version of Akane Tendo who are doing their level best to give Bitter End Akane a run for her money. And these ones DON'T have the excuse of having a mental illness!

- Ranma sits on the roof of the Tendo Dojo, thinking about his life and how tired of it all he is. Yeah. Right. Ranma's just perfectly miserable as the center of attention, and doing every day what he loves to do most (martial arts).

Sailor Moon Crossovers!

- Sailor Pluto decides that (insert random crossover character) is a threat to the time stream and must be eliminated!

- The aforementioned random crossover character ends up falling for either Setsuna or Hotaru.

- The aforementioned random crossover character ends up becoming a new Senshi: usually Sailor Sol or Sailor Terra (nevermind Mamoru's position as the guardian of the earth)

- The aforementioned random crossover character is the only one who's in any way effective against the 'mysterious new enemy' that's made its appearance. Said mysterious new enemy is usually Jadeite, who's finally broken out of that crystal prison of his.

Evangelion crossovers!

- (Random crossover character) would make a good eva pilot!

- Asuka doesn't like (random crossover character).

- (Random crossover character) has more talent as an eva pilot in just his/her little finger than Shinji does in his entire spineless body.

- (random crossover character) falls in love with Rei and/or is stuck in Rei's body. This may or may not involve kinky lesbian sex.

King of Fighters crossovers!

- (random crossover character) is yet another poor fool with the Orochi power!

- (random crossover character) is so powerful, he can beat every other fighter in the story with his hands tied behind his back!

- A new enemy comes along whom only the random crossover character/thinly disguised author avatar can deal with!

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I don't have the heart to go on.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Fri, 13 Jun 2003 13:41:28 GMT

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P.H. Wise wrote on Thu, 12 June 2003 23:47

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- Sailor Pluto decides that (insert random crossover character) is a threat to the time stream and must be eliminated!

- The aforementioned random crossover character ends up falling for either Setsuna or Hotaru.

- The aforementioned random crossover character ends up becoming a new Senshi: usually Sailor Sol or Sailor Terra (nevermind Mamoru's position as the guardian of the earth)

- The aforementioned random crossover character is the only one who's in any way effective against the 'mysterious new enemy' that's made its appearance. Said mysterious new enemy is usually Jadeite, who's finally broken out of that crystal prison of his.

Jadeite coming back... The poor fool was probably blasted into quarks together with the whole Dark Kingdom after episode 46. :nonono:

And I made the whole "new Senshi popping out from under a rock" easier by having two Senshi for each planet. (male/female) except for three of the canon Senshi that don't have a match (You can guess them if you know about Sailor Moon.) Also, I HAD to give the capeboy some useful attack (He still has the trademark rose but uses it only to show off. :lol:)

And what's the fun of an over-powerful new character? The show's name is Sailor MOON not Sailor Gaia, Terra, Nemesis, Io, Europa or whatever. It's MOON who always ends up kicking butts. THAT is what makes the series fun, not "Sailor Mareetzu comes out of nowhere and saves

the planet." :nonono:

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Myst_Lady](#) on Fri, 13 Jun 2003 16:01:03 GMT
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P.H. Wise wrote on Thu, 12 June 2003 22:47Ranma 1/2

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Posted by [Veggie Trunks](#) on Fri, 13 Jun 2003 16:14:46 GMT
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Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Kaelen](#) on Fri, 13 Jun 2003 17:13:20 GMT
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Razor Knight wrote on Fri, 13 June 2003 09:41

Also, I HAD to give the capeboy some useful attack (He still has the trademark rose but uses it only to show off. :lol:)

~Razor Knight~

Why is it that they made him have such a weak attack in the anime? I could've sworn he had an actual one in the manga.

Anyway, another SM cliché...kind of goes along with the betrayal thing.

Usage runs off to America after being shunned by the other senshi, where she finds the next all new, extremely powerful one.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Sat, 14 Jun 2003 00:54:08 GMT
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Well Tuxedo has an attack in the manga... Not sure if he used it more than once, but he turned his roses into pure energy and shot a blast at the enemy...

Can everyone say "Hadoken"?? :lol:

I just tell you guys... If I see one more fic where Naru is Sailor Earth, I'll scream.

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHHH!

Can't they be more original? At least I figured out Nemesis was missing a Senshi and gave her that post.

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Sat, 14 Jun 2003 00:57:31 GMT

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Myst_Lady wrote on Fri, 13 June 2003 13:01 :blush: I'd admit I've written a random fanfics on Setsuna concerning her love life... I'm stand guilty as someone else writing SM crossovers. :d

No harm done. And BTW I'm a crossover writer too...

:offtopic: part follows:

Reveal SpoilerJust in Cyber Moon, I've had the Senshi fight Digimon, Pokemon, Rockman, Mario, Sonic & Co., and the Street Fighter crew. And there's also the spinoff of Cyber Moon, Sailor Doom, which I have yet to finish (Sailor Moon versus the CyberDemon. Place your bets. :lol:)

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [P.H. Wise](#) on Sat, 14 Jun 2003 11:44:38 GMT
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Tux-boy did indeed have an energy attack in the manga. It was called 'Tuxedo Smoking Bomber' (no, I am NOT kidding). And don't single out tux-boy for being ineffective! The inner senshi are JUST as ineffective as Tuxedo Kamen! It's just that Tuxedo Kamen KNOWS it, and that's why he makes speeches to the effect of, "You can do it, Sailor Moon! Now slay that monster while I stand here and not help you in any way."

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [kuja_no_miko](#) on Wed, 25 Jun 2003 05:21:36 GMT
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Vegeta/Bulma fics: In any one that refers to them having sex, Vegeta has to scoff at using condoms because they can't hold saiyajin seed. *sighs*

Rociel/Katan fics: I swear, they all have to center around Rociel asking Katan if he is beautiful. I'm reading scanlations right now, and up to Volume 7, Rociel has asked him that maybe 3 times. Please, it can be done without revolving around that.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Ardwynna](#) on Wed, 25 Jun 2003 05:57:48 GMT
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FFVII: Seph rescuing Aeris from being raped in an alley in Midgar.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Grey](#) on Thu, 26 Jun 2003 23:19:38 GMT
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The idea behind the start of most X-Men/Sailor Moon fics: Cerebro picks up some weird readings in Japan and the X-Men go investigate, and it turns out to be the Senshi. But hey, as long as it works. And as long as it's X-Men from the comics. I'd rather see the dubbed-based Sailor Moon and comics X-Men than a fic with original anime Sailor Moon and movie/Evolution X-Men.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Jady](#) on Fri, 27 Jun 2003 08:02:45 GMT
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Veggie Trunks wrote on Fri, 13 June 2003 12:14RIGHT ON! I stand guilty making Yamcha a hoe in my fics, Vegeta bitching about his gravity room *though...really not that often, as far as I can remember o.O* and making a highschool fic, and writing little notes inside of the chapter *which I'm trying really hard to break! :'(* and um...yeah, that's about it.

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Well I've done the bitching Vejita one every now and then...*giggles* But for Gokou being dumb...ugh...that's done IN the anime. He's an idiot unless he's fighting, the way I see it.

Either that, or you have the Gokou fans who will cut off a needed limb if you say this. They INSIST that he isn't really stupid...he just pretends to be.

runs from Gokou fans

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [MysticBlue](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2003 04:23:04 GMT
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Esca:

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- 2) Hitomi is back but Van's advisors want him to marry a princess from Whateveria
- 3)....who is usually evil
- 4) Hitomi is depressed, even 10 years later, because she's not with Van
- 5) Celena turns back into Dilly, for whatever reason.

Fruits Basket

- 1) Kyou and Yuki realize they actually DON'T hate each other, and rather like each other to the extent where they repeatedly have hot wild sex
 - 2) Kyou vents about being the cat and watching Toh from afar
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Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Grey](#) on Sun, 29 Jun 2003 22:49:17 GMT
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Numbers 1 and 4 seem to apply to Magic Knight Rayearth too. There's bunches of fics with the girls going back to Cephireo to fight some new evil or fics with Hikaru/Umi/Fuu years older and sorely missing Lantis/Clef/Ferio.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Ambient Blue](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2003 02:25:57 GMT
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The ultimate anime cliché:

Any random anime: Any male character hooking up with another male character for a night of hot sex. Forget the fact it would never happen and that they would never work together. Silly! Let's just make them screw their brains out!

Every anime series has atleast 85 stories to every 100 based on yaoi sex-fests.

That is the ultimate cliché.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Kaelen](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2003 02:40:24 GMT
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To be fair, that happens an awful damn lot in het fics too.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2003 02:54:03 GMT
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Agreed. I've seen more Rei x Mamoru fics than I can count (come on people... Rei is too loyal to Usagi to do that. She would never steal her best friend's boyfriend away. At least without being OOCed into oblivion.)

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [P.H. Wise](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2003 10:20:23 GMT
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And in yuri fics as well. ^_^

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [PsyWeedle](#) on Wed, 02 Jul 2003 00:52:12 GMT
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Well, I'm afraid I am guilty of returning Jedeite from the dead, although I believe my way may be a little different. =^_~=

I was originally going to use this as season 06 of my Sailor Moon T fic, but I realized that I just wasn't motivated to write it so instead I created a long summary of everything that happened in the season and moved on to season 07, instead.

In essence, Jedeite does awaken from his 'Eternal Sleep,' but instead of immediately seeking out the Sailors and the Titans (we're actually in the Silver Millenium now... We skipped ahead a thousand years between season 02 and 03. And the Titans are a group of Sailors formed to handle the crises of the 30th century while the normal senshi take care of the political problems of the world), Jedeite instead finds an old enemy of the Titans named Charsi, who has basically gone mad from her previous encounters with them. Jedeite manipulates her and twists her mind so much that she becomes his slave without her even knowing. They together form a vast army of human nihilists and actually come close to conquering Crystal Tokyo and the world. However, the Titans, being the Titans, defeat them in the end.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Razor Knight](#) on Wed, 02 Jul 2003 01:01:20 GMT

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Hmmm... Yeah it looks different from the "Jadeite comes back 2 weeks after the Senshi kill Beryl and gets beaten to a pulp by them" standards. :lol:

One thing tough... If they're in the future, then it wouldn't be the Silver Millenium. Silver Millenium was the era where Queen Serenity lived, and was ended by Beryl's attack. (Now for the future, I've heard it unoriginally called "Golden Millenium" one too many times. Another cliché, I guess.)

Oh, one Sailor Moon cliché I am going to willingly put in my fic:

The second-generation Senshi cliché. I think you all can figure out what it means... Because, frankly, ChibiMoon will need a lot of help to fight what I've planned for the 30th and 31st century arc of my fic. :elaugh:

And another thing: One wonders where it states that NeoQueen Serenity was the queen of the planet. The anime only shows her as queen of a single city, and shows no hints of what the rest of the world looks like. :? :

~Razor Knight~

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [PsyWeedle](#) on Wed, 02 Jul 2003 01:33:15 GMT

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Well, I've assumed that she rules over the entire planet. And I refer it as the Silver Millennium because I think I've actually heard it referred to it as that. You can still call it that considering the fact that the two exist very similarly. The one in the 30th century is more like a sequel to the original one.

As for new senshi in the 30th century cliché, I try to include the originals in as much as possible, too, though. The problem is, that, yes, they basically run the entire world. Unfortunately, the world has not yet become the peaceful happy place it should be, and so they exist in a mostly Democratic society, with a Senate and a Royalty. For more of how that works, just look at my fanfic 'Internal Affairs' in Season 05 of Sailor Moon T. And later on, in season 08, when I get around to writing that, I'm going to have the Senate put every active Sailor, with the exception of Sailor Moon, on trial for their 'crimes.' (i.e., they're jackasses who don't like Neo-Queen Serenity and don't like the idea of a bunch of superheroes running the fate of mankind).

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [P.H. Wise](#) on Wed, 02 Jul 2003 10:33:08 GMT

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I too am guilty of the whole 'second generation of senshi' thing, but at the very least, in my story, there's actually a reason for there to be new senshi appearing, and it's not just "oh, naturally, the Senshi's kids are also Senshi."

The rationalization I used was this: After Galaxia was saved from Chaos' possession by Sailor Moon and went about returning the stolen star-seeds to their owners, there came about an interesting problem. Namely, some of the planets associated with the star-seeds were no longer there. In some cases, the Senshi of that planet had used a suicide attack along the lines of Saturn's 'world ends when I bring down the Silence Glaive' thing, but most of the time it was the result of Galaxia growing impatient with the resistance that the guardian of the world in question was putting up. So Galaxia decided to let these star-seeds find new celestial bodies to bond themselves to. And as it happens, star-seeds tend to attract other star-seeds. Generally the neo-senshi would not show up in solar systems that had previously had no sailor senshi to speak of. Of all the starseeds in search of new homes, our solar system gets three.

shrugs

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [PsyWeedle](#) on Wed, 02 Jul 2003 14:49:51 GMT

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I always loved the concept of the legacy of Chaos, in which many of the star seeds couldn't return to owners or the planets were decimated. That's an underused cliché.

In my case, I used it as justification for Sailor Argent, who went mad after her star seed returned to a barren world with no life. She then started hunting down Sailors and draining their life force to keep herself alive.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [SailorStar9](#) on Tue, 04 Apr 2006 04:39:56 GMT
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Myst_Lady wrote on Fri, 06 June 2003 06:57: Like Sailor Moon Crossover, betrayal crap! The Sailor Senshi or Mamoru turning against Usagi.

:nonono:

Is the reversal betrayal plot counted? Cos I'm guilty of that one in my SM/YYH fic.

But since Rei was the one who found out that Ami is a demon in human form and the Senshi destroy all 'evil', ally or not... :? *Shrugs*

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [SimmyC](#) on Tue, 04 Apr 2006 07:53:35 GMT
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:nonono: Stupid cookie expiring. Well, I'll try this again.

Love Hina:

- 1) Motoko loses to Tsuruko and marries Keitaro.
- 2) Self-inserts where the guy moves into the Hinata Sou (sometimes even the new manager), and falls in love with (at least) one of the girls.
- 3) Naru bashing fics in general.

Inuyasaha: These might have been mentioned already, but I'll add them in anyways.

- 1) Kagome catches Inuyasha with Kikyo and runs into the arms of...Sesshoumaru!
- 2) Inuyasha seeing the error of his ways (since he LOVES Kagome) tries to win her back but it's too late for him!

- 3) Kagome becomes a half-demon, perfect for good ole Sesshoumaru.
- 4) Sesshoumaru winds up in the future somehow (whether he lives that long or just wanders into the well) and of course, eventually leads to Sess/Kagome action (since Inuyasha is screwed somehow).

Cowboy Bebop:

- 1) Spike Lives! He was in a hospital, cryogenic statis, etc. with the Cowboy Bebop crew (Faye and Jet) not knowing it. He comes back, Spike and Faye hate each other at first, but eventually falls in love.
- 2) Spike Lives! This time, as the head of the Syndicate since, well, Spike killed Vicious and so they needed a new leader.
- 3) Ed returns to the Bebop (almost always followed in the Spike Lives! scenarios). Can't have a crew without Ed now can we?

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Dustbunny3](#) on Thu, 06 Apr 2006 00:35:14 GMT

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Cross-overs with Harry Potter. I don't know if there are any anime fandoms that this cross hasn't occurred in. It's usually given no explanation other than the main characters of (Insert Anime Series) get invited to join Hogwarts.

IN ROMANCE:

*Orbs instead of eyes. And they're always some fancy color. Why can't anyone have muddy brown eyes or puke green eyes? To love is to accept, right?

*To find someone attractive is to be in love with them.

*The death of Character A's signifigant other to bring him/her together with Character B.

*Character A being betrayed by his/her signifigant other- no matter how OOC- and running into the arms of Character B- no matter how well they know each other.

*Character A is stopped from committing suicide by Character B.

*Rape as a plot device.

*EVERYONE has a lover by the end of the story. Because it's romance, duh.

IN ANGST:

*Suicide. Apparently there's no other way to deal with sadness.

*Oh, wait. Yes, there is: Cutting.

*Beatings by parents. Because of course anime girls wear enough clothing to cover up bruises. And no one can defend themselves.

IN HUMOR:

*Everyone is stupid- because it's funny.

*Everyone hates the author's least favorite character- because it's funny.

*All the females are raving b!tches- because it's funny.

IN DRAMA:

*Pointless cliff-hangers

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Iggly Lovechild](#) on Thu, 06 Apr 2006 03:17:34 GMT

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Just a genral observation and anyone may correct me if they desire to, maybe I've just been unlucky, but it's nearly impossible to find a plausibly written romantic type fic between two male characters. The story is either 1)Cliched and full of gender role crap. (you know, an obvious submissive and obvious dominant, rather than focusing on a more balanced relationship) or 2) Bogged down with the confusion! and angst! of having feelings for the same sex and not knowing if so-and-so feels the same and emo emo emo emo.... Look, I know that sort of thing happens in real life, but is there really a need to drag it one for several chapters? Half the time I'm reading this fics and thinking '*****', somebody just say something!

Post edited for use of inappropriate language. Watch your language, please. Keep comments "G" rated, as per the rules.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [DevinS](#) on Thu, 06 Apr 2006 04:49:25 GMT
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Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Iggly Lovechild](#) on Thu, 06 Apr 2006 23:19:22 GMT
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DevinS wrote on Wed, 05 April 2006 23:49:49 Uh for DBZ Goku is stupid... Just saw episode from the World Tournament Saga where they say "There are 16 spots, Mr. Satan is in automatically so you do the math." About three minutes later it shows Goku "16 minus 1..." He can't figure it out.

Quoth Barbie: "Math is hard."

Seriously though, yeah, Goku is no genius. It doesn't take a brain surgeon to figure that out. The reason why fans will defend Goku's ability to think is because, say what you will, the boy's a brilliant fighter. All his brains are in battle. Considering most of DBZ's plots are all centered around fighting...Well, there you are.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Haruka](#) on Sat, 08 Apr 2006 00:46:56 GMT
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I have one more to add for the Inu/Kag list:

-It annoys me that Kag and Inu take so damn long in telling each other their true feelings. I know there are quite a bit of things pushing them away, but the authors never mention them sometimes.

It's like:

'I can't be with her...she's too good for me.'

It kind of gets old. Yes, Inuyasha has a self-esteem problem, but you'd think since he is all over Kik sometimes, you'd think he would do the same to Kag? I don't know, I'm not the master of emotion, but I'm sure it gets annoying sometimes to viewers.

(This is to be ignored for people who have stories with perfectly logical reasons for the slowness)

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Author Roy](#) on Sat, 22 Apr 2006 18:47:40 GMT
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Evil Setsuna, and Evil Crystal Tokyo. People always include "ZOMG u no how many people r gonna die to make crystal tokyo happen?"

And character flaw-over exaggeration. I usually don't touch these with a 10 foot pole, but some are just written well enough to the point where it only annoys me a little bit.

Really bad OOC. For instance, Ranma suddenly gets a hankering to become female and get pregnant. Sure, he could; the musk is evidence of that. But WOULD he? No. He's too misogynistic(Sp?) for that.

Also a part of OOC is where one character suddenly changes by realizing and correcting all of their character flaws, and then tells all the other characters to "Grow up". Wow.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [SimmyC](#) on Sun, 23 Apr 2006 21:07:57 GMT
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I heard about a story where Ranma stays a female and becomes pregnant. From what I hear from the readers, they hate it even though it was very well written. Just goes to show you that some plotlines should never be tried.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Author Roy](#) on Tue, 25 Apr 2006 00:05:18 GMT
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I can think of good ways to do it, just that it's well, "cliche" meaning it's overused: Ranma and Akane got married, Akane found out she couldn't have children, so Akane got the Nannichuan and they used it to have kids(Because they were so in love. =/) And another where they actually split off from one another and the curse went off and had her own life(New personality too)

Really huge crossover death-matches. It seems like everyone who likes Anime has played Super Smash Brothers Melee at one time or another...

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Vamp468](#) on Sat, 29 Apr 2006 06:58:06 GMT
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AU high school fics and het fics where two characters that don't work get drunk and have sex, resulting in a kid. And of course the two characters that don't work will realize that they really love each other in the end. :?

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Kuramas_kitsune99](#) on Wed, 25 Oct 2006 23:33:38 GMT
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I remembered seeing this in some Yu Yu Hakusho fanfics: whenever a new member (usually an OC) is introduced to Koenma (in his toddler form) face-to-face, the new teammate will laugh at Koenma, followed by Yusuke and Kuwabara, then Kurama chuckles, and Hiei will simply say "hn". Although this hasn't really shown up in fics anymore (as far as I've seen).

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [WhiteKiss](#) on Sat, 04 Nov 2006 03:10:25 GMT
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Dunno if this was mentioned before...a plot centering on 'the bet'. You know, someone dared cool guy to make unpopular girl fall in love with him and in the end girl finds out guy's motive, but guy really falls in love with her...

If I read one more of this I swear I'm gonna scream! :swear:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Haruka](#) on Sat, 04 Nov 2006 05:29:47 GMT
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Ha, I hate that one too, Whitekiss. :p
But another one that gets kind of old is when the guy and girl are childhood friends and then they grow up and start falling in love with each other.
Or, childhood friends who are separated (one moved away, etc, etc, etc) and when they reunite then realize that they were good friends when they were young...it always ends with them falling in love. :nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [WhiteKiss](#) on Sat, 04 Nov 2006 09:50:48 GMT
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Haha, that sounds like...Love Hina. :lol: Another one I hate is new student comes to school, popular guy notices her then starts falling for her, but she doesn't find popular guy any impressive... :nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Iggly Lovechild](#) on Sat, 04 Nov 2006 22:40:07 GMT
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Hmmm...got a new one, short but sweet:
Flirty=Slutty. I'm telling you, it's bloody irritating. A character that is flirtatious or openly comfortable with...well, being really, really hot, in fanfiction they are suddenly portrayed as the biggest sluttiest, perverts on earth.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [WhiteKiss](#) on Sun, 05 Nov 2006 00:20:11 GMT
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Yeah, the same goes for sweet girls=annoying brats. And its always the slut/brat trying to tear some yaoi pairing apart :roll:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Haruka](#) on Sun, 05 Nov 2006 11:09:21 GMT
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Oh, oh...another one here...:d
Adding on to the stereotypes, I dislike the horny teen (most of the time, the guy)...it's even worse when they're the 'bad boy'...ugh, don't even get me started on that one.
Technically, to be a 'bad boy', the 'boy' must do more than just talk back to his elders and have a temper... :nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [WhiteKiss](#) on Sun, 05 Nov 2006 12:04:25 GMT

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Teehee, why can't there be a horny girl? :laugh: Bad boys/girls must be punk and have the preps fall in love with them. :roll: Man, how come the nerd never goes into the picture?

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Haruka](#) on Mon, 06 Nov 2006 10:00:46 GMT
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No, the nerd has to be totally gorgeous under those large, thick glasses to even be considered part of the story...remember the whole 'guy gets dared to date nerdy girl, blah, blah, blah...'? :lol:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [WhiteKiss](#) on Mon, 06 Nov 2006 14:20:26 GMT
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Oh yeah, nearly forgot about that...then after finding herself attracted to popular guy, nerd will get a reluctant makeover. :laugh: Nerd x hentai, anyone?

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Haruka](#) on Tue, 07 Nov 2006 08:38:58 GMT
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Yup...I disagree with the whole makeover thing too, it totally goes against what my Ma and Pa taught me. :lol:

Anyways, back on subject, another cliché would definitely have to be where the girl and guy are dating and the girl ends up pregnant and never tells the guy. The guy leaves (unaware of his child) and comes back to find that he has a five year old son (or something)...then they get back together because of the kid and their new love for each other... :nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [WhiteKiss](#) on Tue, 07 Nov 2006 08:56:57 GMT
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Then there would be another woman trying to tear them apart by showing 'care' to the little one.

:twisted:

Another fanfic cliché is guy lusts after girl, girl finds him creepy, but after a sexual innuendo or something girl finds guy's actions very pleasurable and they end up together. !?!?! 8o

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [gohanstrife](#) on Tue, 07 Nov 2006 18:59:37 GMT

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Haruka wrote on Sat, 04 November 2006 00:29:29Ha, I hate that one too, Whitekiss. :p

But another one that gets kind of old is when the guy and girl are childhood friends and then they grow up and start falling in love with each other.

Or, childhood friends who are separated (one moved away, etc, etc, etc) and when they reunite then realize that they were good friends when they were young...it always ends with them falling in love. :nonono:

Love Hina anyone?

How about the love triangles that are so obvious to tell who ends up with whom in the end; ex. the one who ends up alone tries to constantly steal the boyfriend/girlfriend from the other person in a bad way while the good person tries desperately to be nice and crap. Bleh ...

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [WhiteKiss](#) on Wed, 08 Nov 2006 00:30:21 GMT

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Not to mention the bad one usually goes into obsession and tries to kill the good one just for the guy. :roll:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [gohanstrife](#) on Wed, 08 Nov 2006 00:41:35 GMT

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How about the wonderful cliché of most fanfictions where everyone's in love with the main character?

I can understand in cases like Tenchi Muyo, Love Hina, or other things like that ... but fanfiction that are based off of anime where two characters despise each other suddenly fall in love ... with no real reason to back it up? Just some spur of the moment, get drunk one night I'll call you in the

morning then never show up ... thing?

What I'm trying to say here is that I dislike pairings that aren't apart of the series that hold no actual backbone or building of the relationship; that they're just thrown together for the sake of the writer. I'm not saying I'm strictly for Original Series couples, I'm saying that most series already have back bones for relationships that are built. Fan-based couples need that same back bone to make their story seem ... real, basically.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [ryugenkotsu](#) on Wed, 08 Nov 2006 04:06:57 GMT
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you...are so right.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Silvia](#) on Wed, 08 Nov 2006 04:25:35 GMT
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Ryugenkotsu, please refrain from making useless posts that don't contribute to the discussion--posts like "I agree" are exactly that and are not allowed.

Silver Armada
Fanfiction forums moderator

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Haruka](#) on Wed, 08 Nov 2006 10:55:21 GMT
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gohanstrife wrote on Wed, 08 November 2006 03:58:59
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:nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [shanejell](#) on Mon, 13 Nov 2006 01:43:55 GMT

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A comment on shoujoai

Mai Hime/My Hime

If I see much more Shizuru/Natsuki fics I may scream. There are SO MANY possible and semi-canon couples I do not get the obsession.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Ender_kb](#) on Thu, 16 Nov 2006 01:53:04 GMT

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Haruka wrote on Wed, 08 November 2006 02:58:55gohanstrife wrote on Wed, 08 November 2006 03:58:59

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:nonono:

I thought of InuYasha as well when I read that. Although, if the characters just told each other how they felt then there wouldn't be a story. No comedy, no drama=no fun. It may be a cliché, but i will admit that I still like it. :blush: :d

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Igy Lovechild](#) on Thu, 16 Nov 2006 02:54:50 GMT

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Ender_kb wrote on Wed, 15 November 2006 19:58:53

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Yeah but there's a certain kinda agony involved when you just know who's going to hook up in the end. I think that's where the frustration begins. At least in the case of "InuYasha". With less predictable series it's just another cliché, though slightly more interesting. Personally, I'd prefer to see more love triangles ending with all three members happy together (so long as it's plausible).

Ugh...I'm so sick of rapefic fixations. It's inescapable from any fandom! I just don't get it....

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [Ender_kb](#) on Fri, 17 Nov 2006 01:31:09 GMT

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Ya...I never thought of that before. My mind is really shallow when it comes to stories, but that sounds really good.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [SimmyC](#) on Sun, 19 Nov 2006 10:09:44 GMT

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I guess to add to a previous clichéd item, the whole 'taking two characters and just make them fall in love instantly', even if they were enemies in the series, another variation of this would be, the absolutely despise each other in fic. And then, after going to the point where they couldn't possibly hate each other even more... they suddenly kiss and have hot wild :censored: . Yeah. Besides being clichéd, not exactly realistic IMO.

I would have even bought the, also clichéd, hate each other, but they eventually grow to love each other fics more, but the above is just a big :nonono: for me. Which goes back to how to make any relationship work. Making them fall in love by, well, given them reason to love each other in a slow, but somewhat steady way. And when I say steady, I don't mean always going up on an escalator kind of way. There could be twist and turns, and out right disasters in terms of their

relationship in it. Just that, at the same time, it shouldn't be like a rollercoaster either with constantly changing emotions and events either.

And IMO, no one is truly perfect in this area (which of course, is expected since no one is perfect). Heck, I can even say that the people behind the 'canon', might not be perfect in these cases, and they pair up two characters that, also IMO, simply don't work. Or if they do work, they, the original authors who made the work people are making fanfics for, do it in a way that is not believable. Hence, the fun of fanfiction. Going the route that is 'better', or simply different than what has been done in canon. :) But that, should be saved for another thread and another topic.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Haruka](#) on Mon, 20 Nov 2006 10:27:53 GMT
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Commenting on your...comment, Simmy.
In a way, just trying to not write a cliché is becoming a cliché in itself.
This world is becoming more and more hypocritical with day. I mean, there is no 'perfect' or 'natural' way to write a good love story. If you have angst, it's cliché...the critics are getting tougher... :nonono:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Iggly Lovechild](#) on Tue, 21 Nov 2006 01:52:10 GMT
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Haruka wrote on Mon, 20 November 2006 04:58:27
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nods So true. That's why I just focus on the characters and how I feel they're going to interact. I think if more people would just pay more attention and stop getting worked up over their fandom itself (and all the inner politics and clichés that you're inevitably drawn into whether you like it or not) there'd be a lot more higher quality fanfiction out there. Really.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [SimmyC](#) on Tue, 21 Nov 2006 08:09:03 GMT
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Heh. Well, IMO, it just depends on the kind of story and the characters. Heck, I'll even say that some 'cliches' are okay, or even accepted as long as it is realistic and works for the story. After all, I'm not innocent either since I use quite a few 'cliches' myself.

The ones I'm thinking about are fics where they take a cliché, and in order for the characters to fit said cliché, they make the characters WAY OOC. That is a nono in my opinion.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Iggly Lovechild](#) on Wed, 22 Nov 2006 03:42:28 GMT
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Oh yeah, well that makes perfect sense. I will never understand why people write their fandom's characters OOC. I mean, I guess I can understand fanon concepts ruling a character's image in some cases, but when a fanfic author renders a character unrecognizable, I just don't get it.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [letgo](#) on Thu, 07 Dec 2006 04:38:18 GMT
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Not a thing about my main (current) fandom.

Prince of Tennis

1. All the jr. high male tennis players in Japan are GAY!
2. Incest
3. The handful of female characters are w****s who are just trying to get in the way of the guys and their relationships
4. Very feminized guys, esp. Fuji S., Dan, Kikumaru, Gakuto, and basically any guy who is not overly-macho. Which would exclude everyone.
5. Mary Sue's who happen to be amazing at tennis and attract all the guys
6. All regular doubles teams are married.

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1. Okay, with several people (somewhere around 75-80 min.) who show up more than two or three times, less than ten are female. But honestly, only a small percentage of people are actually gay. You cannot have everyone single person gay just because you want them to be.

2. Incest. There are only four families that have multiple members show up more than just on

occasion. The Fujis', the Kisarazus', the Tanakas', and the Echizens'. Two of these are pairs of twins. Another is brotherXbrotherXsister, in any combination, of course. The final is usually the uncle spying on his niece. Somehow, I honestly doubt that there is really that much incest in real life.

3. This is probably one of my biggest pet peeves, though #5 is my biggest, just because the handful of girls are so horribly portrayed. Usually, they get bashed and made fun of simply because the authoress wishes it to be maleXmale or a Mary Sue fic.

4. Guys are still guys. Sure, some may have girlish tendencies, such as like a boy band or have extremely slightly feminized looks. However, that does not mean that the guys are girls stuck in male bodies.

5. Mary Sues. What's there to say about Mary Sues that hasn't already been said before? Honestly, I don't mind seeing -Insert name- with an OC. However, almost always that OC ends up being a Mary Sue.

6. All doubles players are gay is just a pairing myth that's become practically a must-have in any fic. There are some pairings that people considered as part of: The Marrieds. These generally mean the two pairs that actually have canon nicknames: the Golden Pair and the Silver Pair. I could maybe see these are being actual relationships, especially since the series creator has never stated that they are or aren't, but that it was up to the reader to decide (Interview about two years ago). But honestly, just because someone plays doubles and is good friends with that partner, it does not have to mean they are married.

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And that's what I have for now. If you have read all of that, I commend you because it is really quite a lot, especially about a fandom that is really just starting to get popular in the States.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [StarX](#) on Mon, 05 Feb 2007 17:40:45 GMT
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Sailormoon crossovers:

1. Harry Potter- All of the scouts are magically sent a letter to get invited to Hogwarts even though it's pretty much clearly stated in the books that schools have certain areas mapped out.
2. Gundam Wing- The scouts are five gundam pilots opposite the originals and are just as good as the original five, if not better.

InuYasha:

1. Kagome and InuYasha get into a fight and Kagome runs to Sesshomaru.

Gundam Seed:

1. All of the characters go to high school/college after the war, even though all of them had already graduated or were currently going to college. In normal military positions, you'd get a degree of sometime after so much service in a field. Coordinators wouldn't even go to school since they had already graduated their classes.
 2. Athrun is a bad boy who Cagalli always falls in love with in the three seconds of meeting.
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Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [lggy Lovechild](#) on Fri, 09 Feb 2007 01:34:52 GMT

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StarX wrote on Mon, 05 February 2007 11:40: Kagome and InuYasha get into a fight and Kagome runs to Sesshomaru.

Okay, admittedly this isn't really a comment about that particular cliché (other than how embarrassed I am for having suffered through this storyline again and again, just looking for a decent Sess/Kag fic back when I care about the pairing), but an idle thought inspired by the noted cliché. Why is it that so many writers repeat the same plot idea again and again? I guess that's why it's a cliché. It's so easy to write and so very mindless. I don't know, it's just depressing to see. That's why I imagine a lot of noncanon couples get a bad rap, now that I think of it.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [sincerely__mimi](#) on Mon, 19 Feb 2007 17:30:28 GMT

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For Inuyasha,

Definitely the whole Inuyasha leaves and Kagome goes to Sesshomaru thing is way overdone.

D: I'm guilty as charged.

-hides-

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches

Posted by [SimmyC](#) on Tue, 20 Feb 2007 18:40:19 GMT
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Well, it probably does have to do with the idea that, most people tend to take the 'easy' route out. While they, like all fanfic writers, like to take a route not taken in the canon, they also want to take the 'easy' way of going about it. The easy route in this case being that Kagome, after getting pissed off or heartbroken at Inuyasha, runs into the arms of Sesshoumaru.

Now granted, in some cases, like the "Spike Lives!" fics, these 'cliches' are also pretty much the only way the story could have continued given certain events (after all, how else are you going to have Spike live given the ending of Cowboy Bebop. I won't spoil it for anyone who hasn't seen it, though given what kind of fics these are, let's just say it wouldn't be easy to write a continuation fic either). So in those cases, it is understandable. The Kagome/Sess though, I'm sure there are other ways of them getting together. In fact, I think I've read those fics too when I also cared for it (and I still do care for said pairing. Just that, recently, I've been turned off from reading Inuyasha fics in general. Too many of them, and not enough good ones).

Subject: Once Again, Please don't Put Kagome into Heat
Posted by [Ayamai](#) on Fri, 23 Feb 2007 23:48:35 GMT
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I'm sorry, but I have to say something about this, because I'm tired of seeing it, and I wonder where people get this idea from. This is a long post, so stick with me please, but before anyone gets in a snit, please note that I am not flaming anyone, nor am I singling any one story or author out.

I've said this a few times before, but it just keeps happening, so I say it again. I feel that this is an issue that needs to be brought to everyone's attention. (I went so far as to write a parody of this, which you can find here.)

Authors take note - if your summary looks like this, I'm not going to read it.

Story Summary: Inuyasha is avoiding Kagome, and she doesn't know why. Little does she know, she's in heat! Pairings InuKag, MirSan, SessRin, KougaKag, InuKikyo, NarakuKag, NarakuKikyo

First of all, we can all agree that Kagome is a human female, and the general populace reading these stories are human females, right? There might be some guys that read Inuyasha fan fiction, but I've deduced that the majority are females.

I pose this question to the human females reading and writing these stories: When was the last time you went into “heat”? I really want to know. I'm female, and I've never gone

into heat;. I've never even heard of another woman going into heat;. I've heard of cats and dogs going into heat, but never a human. I mentioned in my parody that it is possible that Inuyasha thinks Kagome is in heat;, because there are a few days in the menstrual cycle that she would be more fertile than others, so there is that as an explanation, but really, human Kagome in heat does not happen.

I'm actually quite worried about the authors who write these stories. Do they get with their boyfriends, and before sex say "Don't worry about the condoms honey, I'm not in heat right now"? What happens when they get pregnant and tell their doctor they shouldn't have gotten pregnant, because they weren't in heat? Does the doctor then laugh at them, or try to gently explain that humans don't go into heat? If you were to see the above phrase in another fandom it would really turn heads, but for some reason it's readily accepted in the Inuyasha fandom.

If you doubt me on the fact that humans do not go into heat, please search "estrous cycle" and "menstrual cycle" in Wiki. (It's been said, in a review to the parody that I wrote, that I shouldn't trust it just because it's Wiki, but I guess I can't trust my Associates Degree or any of my biology/physiology/anatomy teachers either.)

The next part of this that bothers me is that I know that authors are using this to get Inuyasha and Kagome together, but do we really want them to have sex the first time because they are slaves to their hormones, or because they've matured and admitted to each other that they love each other? Ok, neither of those things have to happen before they have sex, it can happen as they go along in the story or not at all, but the point is, they're having sex because they want to, and under a presence that is not totally and utterly bull.

Next problem with that summary, the "InuKag, MirSang," thing. If your summary says that it's a romance between certain characters, that's fine, it may not be the best summary in the world, but if you write in the "InuKikyo, SessRin" format, I am nearly guaranteed that those sets of characters will be making out and/or having wild, hot, monkey sex before the fourth chapter. If I already know the outcome of a story, why would I read it? True, sometimes the journey from the beginning to end is the best part of the story, but you've given too much away already. I can go into an Inuyasha story knowing that most authors will not kill off main characters, so I know that they will win, or at least survive at the conclusion, but I don't want to know everything that will happen before the conclusion, before I've even read the first chapter.

These next few points have little to do with the summary mentioned above (that is a generic one I wrote by the way), but I feel the need to discuss them anyway.

Inuyasha can not go into heat. Heat is a purely female thing. I refuse to elaborate further on this. It is just wrong.

If you say Inuyasha will mate for life, please give me something other than he's an "inu youkai, and they mate for life". If you are going to link the reason to that he's part dog, keep in mind dogs are very promiscuous. I don't know where this wolf thing came from (it's some weird trend), but even if the alpha male and female do typically stay monogamous with each other, if the other dies, the living one will not end its life because of it. A swan might, but again, Inuyasha isn't a swan demon.

I'm not saying that if you work your butt off writing one hell of a story where you get Inuyasha and Kagome together, that he can't be monogamous, but shouldn't it be because they love and care for each other, and not because "Inuyasha mates for life"? If the author did a really great job of storytelling, and presenting to the reader that Inuyasha and Kagome truly loved each other, that extra "inu youkai mate for life" is not necessary.

It is possible, but not probable, that Inuyasha could instinctively mate for life (after all there is no research on the mating habits of demons), but there are a few problems the author needs to deal with in that case:

Inuyasha has a half brother. How could he if he mates for life because of his father's side? Tell me why Inuyasha's dad had sex with two different people.

The next part is you do have to explain that little bit of demon phenomena. Why does a demon species associated with dogs, who are promiscuous, become strictly monogamous?

That's about all I really have to say on that topic, and I thank the ones who read all the way through that. I would like to mention, because I know it's coming, that I do not continue to read the stories that contain these themes. I will back out of that story, and find another to read if it turns into that. I am not a masochist. Most of the time, I've devoted a decent chunk time to a story to find it going drastically down hill, because of something I've mentioned above, and just become greatly disappointed.

I understand that this is fantasy, but just because a series is fantasy, does not give an author full control of the laws of physics and biology without good cause. I've found that some of the best fan fiction, and original fiction are ones that closely stick with what is possible in the "real world". I'm not saying magic and demons are not allowed. The best way I can explain it is: if it is possible in the canon, it is possible in the fannon. I am not a stickler for making everything seem realistic (even though in this post it may seem so), but there is a point where reality is stretched too far. Kagome or Inuyasha going into heat is too far. It is so far from reality that I find the very idea very distracting enough that it greatly takes away from the story. Go to the Gargoyles fandom. Elisa Maza, the main human female character, is never written about as being in heat. I could go ask some of the people in that fandom if they would accept her being in heat, and I know the answer would be a firm "NO". Inuyasha is the only fandom that I've ever seen this "in heat" thing so prevalent. (I'll occasionally run into it

randomly elsewhere, but very rarely.)

I also know that authors are writing for fun, and most often are not professionals, but guess what? They are posting their stories in a public place. If they didn't want anyone to ever say anything bad about them, they should have never posted them on the Internet in the first place.

I have said my peace, and I only hope it does not fall onto deaf ears.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [Silvia](#) on Fri, 23 Feb 2007 23:59:52 GMT
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I'm going to merge this with "Anime Fanfic Cliches" because if we let each series have its own thread for these sorts of rants... the fanfiction forums would be seriously bloated. XD

If you're ever unsure about where to post a topic, or just have any questions about the forums in general, don't hesitate to PM me. Thank you.

Silver Armada
Fanfiction forums moderator

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [Lord Geryon](#) on Sat, 21 Apr 2007 05:46:55 GMT
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I am gonna go out on a limb here and throw out some Naruto cliches:

1. Sakura is a horrible, horrible person as well as a completely oblivious to reality.

This is usually defined by Sakura being a complete b**** to Naruto and constantly proclaiming Sasuke's greatness, especially right after Naruto wipes the floor with Jerkface.

2. Hinata can't form a complete sentence, she can rarely form a complete word... until Naruto some how reads her mind, realizes she's in love with him, and he goes from barely noticing her to falling in love with her in about five sentences.

3. Sasuke returns and nothing changes, generally after a second fight to the almost-death with Naruto.

Like a military organization is gonna forgive and forget someone turning traitor. If they really wanted more Uchihas, they'd harvest sperm and execute Sasuke.

4. Naruto brings back Sasuke from the Valley of the End, and he gets banished for harming the Uchiha and everybody except Hinata, Jiraiya, Iruka, Tsunade, and sometimes Lee hate him.

This can tie into number 1, as in these fics Sakura is generally the biggest hater of Naruto for harming her precious Sasuke-kun. Most of the time it's Danzou and/or the Council that overrides Tsunade and banishes the fox boy.

5. Years down the road, Naruto has saved Konoha at least once, maybe even the world... and all the adults still think he's just the fox in disguise, biding his time to destroy Konoha. Never mind he's already saved it.

6. Naruto becomes uber-powerful. I really despise these, cause they usually ruin an otherwise good story.

7. Naruto is an emotionless killing machine by the age of ten. usually ANBU, sometimes an ANBU Captain. Then he's suddenly busted back down to academy student because Sandaime feels he should have a 'childhood' and/or so he won't snap.

Nevermind the shock of trying to readjust to a completely new life is generally worse than what was happening already.

7b. And he happens to fall in love within a month. Usually with Hinata.

8. Naruto is Yondaime's son. I support this cliché, but it's still a cliché.

9. Naruto finds some way to place the Kyuubi into a bunshin(clone) and the Kyuubi is his good, if somewhat sarcastic and bloodthirsty, pal.

10. The Yondaime gets resurrected via Edo Tensei and he's completely alive. No repercussions. He generally becomes Naruto's follower afterwards.

11. The Kyuubi is female and falls in love with Naruto.

12. The Kyuubi is Naruto's mother or father.

13. Naruto returns from the time-skip the hottest looking guy in the world and every female in Konoha wants to jump his bones. Even Tsunade.

14. Naruto dies, usually at the Valley of the End, and Kyuubi does something that sends Naruto

back in time to being a 12 year old.

15. Naruto's mother was from a clan with a powerful bloodline limit from a Hidden Village that nobody knows to exist. Until they send some shinobi to retrieve Naruto by kidnapping him.

There are more cliches, but those are some of the top ones and the occasional variant.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [Rimsala](#) on Sat, 21 Apr 2007 07:52:56 GMT
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No Yu-Gi-Oh cliches posted (well, the specific ones anyway)? No problem, I'll fix that!

General Stuff:

- Yami Yugi is foul-mouthed and is occasionally mean to Yugi.
- Yami Bakura batters Ryou like an abusive spouse. Usually he cuts and rapes him.
- Yami Mal(r)ik is either a nice guy or an "abusive spouse" like Yami Bakura. He's also a person from ancient Egypt, just like the other two yamis.
- Anzu/Téa is either an annoying cheerleader with an addiction to friendship, or an evil man-stealing harpy. Sometimes both.
- Jounochi/Joey is a "damsel" in distress.
- Seto is a knight in shining armor.
- Mokuba is a sugar-high preschooler.
- The hosts are called "hikaris" and they are perfect little angels.
- The yamis somehow have different bodies.
- Ryou is albino.
- Pegasus is a pedophile.

Plots:

- Yami Bakura abuses Ryou so much that he winds up in the hospital. It's then that he feels bad and he realizes his TWOO LUBB for Ryou.
- One or more of the hosts run away from their abusive yamis.
- Somebody is forced into prostitution.
- Jounochi/Joey is so abused by his ebil father that Seto must rescue him.
- Ebil Anzu/Téa comes up with some sort of Snivley Whiplash-esque plan to steal Yami from whoever it is he's paired with. She is usually killed at the end.

-All couples are required to spawn. Usually all at the same time.

Up-and-Coming: - Made in response to the above, and are actually becoming their own cliches.

-Yugi is Austin Powers.

-Anzu/Téa does not make it into dance school and is forced to become a stripper.

There are probably more, but I can't think of them at the moment. I'll add more if I remember them.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [Ellen Kuhfeld](#) on Wed, 30 May 2007 17:50:10 GMT

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Ayami -

Quote:Story Summary: Inuyasha is avoiding Kagome, and she doesn't know why. Little does she know, she's in heat! Pairings InuKag, MirSan, SessRin, KougaKag, InuKikyo, NarakuKag, NarakuKikyo

First of all, we can all agree that Kagome is a human female, and the general populace reading these stories are human females, right? There might be some guys that read Inuyasha fan fiction, but I've deduced that the majority are females.

I pose this question to the human females reading and writing these stories: When was the last time you went into "heat"? I really want to know. I'm female, and I've never gone into "heat". I've never even heard of another woman going into "heat". I've heard of cats and dogs going into heat, but never a human. I mentioned in my parody that it is possible that Inuyasha thinks Kagome is in "heat", because there are a few days in the menstrual cycle that she would be more fertile than others, so there is that as an explanation, but really, human Kagome in heat does not happen.

I've used that one (different details, different fandom). I'll agree about "in heat". But if you change it to "has the hots", things become much more workable. Like, suddenly upping your assorted bodily secretions isn't the sort of thing a dog (or cat) demon would notice? I think not!

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [gohanstrife](#) on Wed, 30 May 2007 19:17:08 GMT

Turning normal humans in a fantasy/demonology themed Anime suddenly turning demon because of a bite/infection/spell/unexplained event.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [Iggly Lovechild](#) on Wed, 30 May 2007 21:38:43 GMT

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Does FF7 count as anime now thanks to AC? Well some sites think so and I hope you'll forgive me for this little cranky rant. If it's not cool, just delete this post and I won't have an issue.

Anyway, a few issues I have with a lot of fanfic writers regarding Reno's characterization among other things:

1) Reno is stupid. Highly unlikely. He's a bit of a flake maybe, but certainly not stupid. He's a Turk for god's sake and maybe I've just got a nasty habit to think more of the organization than most, but I honestly believe that Shinra would not allow stupid people to guard the president or kill for them.

2) Reno is a pretty little girly peice of fluff. I really liked "Advent Children", but it's a shame that Reno's uber-prettified character design has created this irritating cliché. Nevermind the fact that I don't get why suddenly so many writers have the impression that he's adrogynous. Even in AC, Reno is clearly male, just very, very pretty.

3) Why is it that every other origins fic for Reno-before-Shinra portrays him as a rent boy (male prostitute)? Seriously, how does this qualify him as worth anything to Shinra much less becoming a Turk? Slightly more tolerable is the cliché that he was in a gang before becoming a Turk. Though really, it's horribly tiresome and seldom done well.

4) Reno keeps his job mostly by sleeping with Rufus. This. Drives. Me. Insane. First of all it degrades Reno as a Turk and destroys any meaning that the concept of a Rufus/Reno relationship might have. Irregardless of my obvious fondness of that ship, I think it's grossly OOC and is a sad and pathetic way to justify any proposed relationship with questionable canon backing.

5) Reno resents Shinra or dislikes his work. Hello? Is anyone paying any attention here? Reno is damned near loyal to Shinra to a fault. He loves his job, shady morality and all.

6) Reno is a bad person because he's a Turk and does bad things. Now this is a hard one to explain why it irritates me so much because a lot of people will call me terribly biased due to the

fact that I'm such a fangirl for the Turks. I'm gonna seriously try though. I never got the feeling, even when I first played FF7, that Reno was a bad person or any of the Turks for that matter. They just did their job and followed orders. Do I think that most Turks have questionable morals? Of course they do, but that doesn't mean they are bad, evil people. There's proof between the lines for those who wish to look for it. The Turks were never quite as coldly villainized as the Executives of Shinra or even Rufus.

7) Reno is violent sadist. Seriously? Oh how I despise this cliché. It's always used by writers who want to be edgy and show the "true face of Shinra" to those who might have forgotten. Irritating and OOC.

My wish: That people would pay more attention to their fandom and its characters.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [Eastern Cat](#) on Thu, 31 May 2007 13:21:44 GMT
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The Ranma 1/2 fanfics are also full of clichés. The most "normal" one is the old Ranma and Akane fall in love and they take out one troublemaker after the other.

The other is when Ranma moves out and returns a few years later as a kind of super martial artist. The uber Ranma stories are something I really can't stand.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [SSJ Jup81](#) on Fri, 01 Jun 2007 01:59:23 GMT
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Hmm, how's this for a cliché.

For Deathnote, every other fic is either Raito x Ryuuzaki; Mello x Near; Mello x Matt. The series seems to have a nice, obsessive yaoi-following. Curse you episode 25! :p

For Digimon Adventure 02, Takeru x Hikari are in love, but poor Daisuke has the IQ of evaporated water, is portrayed as an awful person, and is bashed for the entirety of the fic.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [Eien no Ai](#) on Sat, 02 Jun 2007 20:43:36 GMT
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SSJ Jup81 wrote on Fri, 01 June 2007 03:58:59

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Personally, I don't see how a certain pairing itself can be a cliché (unless it's some sort of ongoing joke with no canon support whatsoever). Some ships just happen to be popular - sometimes deservedly, sometimes less so. But I think it all ultimately depends on how each writer handles the couple in question, rather than on the sole fact that it appears in a story.

Anyway, here are the most annoying stereotypes I've noticed in the Yu-Gi-Oh fandom. Where some authors get all this stuff from I'll never know...

- Malik is either a vain, arrogant psycho or a just poor misguided boy who must be pitied and offered a chance to redeem himself immediately after he apologizes enough.
- 'Dark' Malik comes from Ancient Egypt just like the other two spirits, of course.
- Ryou ('light' Bakura) is a spineless wimp who lets everybody wipe the floor with him and even thanks them for it in the end.
- Ryou likes being in a totally destructive relationship with the 'dark' Bakura, although he is constantly being abused, raped, humiliated and whatnot.
- Eh, many YGO fics just have the message that rape is the only reliable way to make your romantic interest fall in love with you when you just can't show them your feelings otherwise.
- Jounouchi/Joey is just bloody stupid.
- Anzu/Téa is Teh Evil Cheerleader (TM). Cue the obsessive bashing.

There are probably lots more, but who isn't sick of this little list by now? :lol:

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [gohanstrife](#) on Sun, 10 Jun 2007 07:56:54 GMT
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Dragonball Z Fanfiction

* Other survivors of Planet Vegeta (OCs) come to Earth (mostly females). Of course, they fall in love with Vegeta or Goku, and can turn Super Saiya-jin. Vegeta breaks up with Bulma because she's too bossy, and Goku breaks up with Chi-chi because she yells too much or hits him with frying pans (do love that though).

DBZ/Sailor Moon Crossovers

* I'd like to see a single fanfiction where original pairings aren't broken up and the two universes can actually be written in a good manner. (I have read a few that do hold these guidelines, actually, but they're off site ones).

* I'd also like to see someone for once get the power measurements at least a little accurate. Chi/Ki can and should be different than the magical energies used in Sailor Moon, right? Either the Senshi are too weak or too strong, and DBZ characters are always god-like. Writing ANY DBZ Crossover is difficult since the characters eventually have the ability to destroy planets by the end of the series. It's a big challenge to do this, and I haven't really come across many of these stories that can accomplish this feat at all.

That's all for now.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [Ouane](#) on Sun, 10 Jun 2007 16:43:38 GMT
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I noticed in the Harry Potter fan fictions that there is a Snape x Hermione pairing. I don't understand why Snape will ever love Hermione because it's clear that Snape hates her based on what it is described in the books.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [Heathenesque](#) on Sun, 24 Jun 2007 04:07:09 GMT
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My favorite anime/manga is Fullmetal Alchemist. And hooboy are there a lot of cliches there!

Mustang-the-Slut: Yes, the man has a reputation of dating a lot of women. But think for a moment? If he was sleeping with all of them and then dumping them the next day, do you REALLY think that wouldn't get around? Women talk, Hello? He gets love letters and has a following, for crying out loud. If he was the man-slut he's portrayed as, he wouldn't.

Mustang-the-Pedophile: *sigh* Um... no? This is an incredibly ambitious man who has his career plotted to the tiniest detail. Do you REALLY think he's going to risk all that to have a sexual

relationship with a subordinate? An -UNDERAGED- subordinate, at that?

Hawkeye-the-Trigger-Happy-B!tch: In both the anime and the manga, she drew her gun and fired ONE TIME that was not in the line of duty. Would the rest of the tachi tease her about it? Sure. But does she pull her gun every time she gets annoyed with Mustang? Do you think he'd trust her to watch his back if she did?

Mustang-the-Woman-Stealer: Logic dictates that if he were that kind of bastard, Havoc wouldn't remain so loyal to him. Nope, sorry. Too much resentment would have built up. It's more likely that these women have used Havoc to get closer to Mustang, and asked HIM for dates, rather than the other way around.

Hughes-the-Bumbling-Idiot: Fortunately, I haven't seen too much of this, but enough to feel that there are people not paying attention. The man is an Intelligence Officer. This requires the ability to be damned good at observation. He wouldn't have made it to Lt. Colonel if all he thought about was getting Mustang married off, his wife and his daughter. Are these things on his mind? Of course. He's besotted with his wife and daughter, and I think he just likes to annoy his best friend. But what better way to get information? No one thinks he's a threat when he's foisting the latest picture of Elysia on anyone he can pin down.

Armstrong-the-Comic-Relief-Stripper: There is far more to that man than just the muscles, sparkles and running jokes about "This technique has been in the Armstrong family for generations..." PAY ATTENTION! This is a deeply caring, gentle man, who has far more on the ball than most writers give him credit for.

Envy-the-Fluffy: Um... no. Just... no. Do I -NEED- to explain just how WRONG this is? We're talking about a sociopathic killer who didn't hesitate to change his shape to Hughes' wife in order to gain the advantage. He does. NOT. Fight. Fair. And he is not 'misunderstood', and really just lovable deep inside, and all that rot.

Other things in general:

Winry doesn't wrench Ed every time she sees him, Havoc is not a loser, Fuery doesn't adopt every stray, Al doesn't ALWAYS have a kitten in his armor, Scar is not a primitive moron, just because he doesn't understand Alchemy.

And finally:

I blame the anime for this, actually: But Ed and Mustang don't have THAT antagonistic of a relationship. There is a lot of head-butting and banter, but there is also mutual respect. The anime did a crappy job of showing that, though.

The simple fact is, Fullmetal Alchemist is a story with many layers, and the characters are all multi-faceted. Don't just pick ONE and think that sums up the entire person.

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Posted by [Iggly Lovechild](#) on Sun, 24 Jun 2007 21:43:53 GMT

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Slightly less abrasive but still annoying is reading a fic set in Japan that features numerous references to American bands, movies, and actors/actresses. Yes, I understand that the Japanese youth are fascinated by American and other Western cultures, but that doesn't mean they aren't interested in their own country's entertainment and culture. How hard is it to research a little bit if that sort of thing is going to be so important to the story?

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [Heathenesque](#) on Mon, 25 Jun 2007 04:37:50 GMT

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Trust me... you're not the only one.

I see too many FMA stories where Roy is drinking Bourbon... this is an American creation, and

Amestris is an alternative-world Europe. I rather doubt that Bourbon would be available. Now, I admit, that's kind of piddly and minor, but it still tells me that someone didn't research too well. It's a steam-powered society, so it's safe to assume that petroleum products, and the by-products that came with the oil boom don't exist (and the fact that it's very early 20th century, so even if they did exist, they most likely would not have existed THERE). Plastics, for example.

Admittedly, there are some anachronistic things in FMA, too... but take the time to look them over, and most of them can easily be explained as alchemic modifications, etc. But you can't use alchemy on something that doesn't 'exist' (like synthetics, which are primarily petroleum-based).

It's like the show Wild Wild West. There were some fantastic gadgets in that show, but every last one of them could have been created with available resources and technology of the time.

Even vernacular should be watched closely. It's unlikely the word 'gay' would have been used for anything but 'happy' back in the early 1900s, after all.

And I'm -still- trying to wrap my brain around one story where they had COMPUTERS! And Television! 8o

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [inubaka](#) on Mon, 25 Jun 2007 13:42:31 GMT
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Some of the biggest cliches I see are in Ouran High School Host Club. Everyone is a yaoi in those fanfics. While I can understand Hikaru and Kaoru yaoi because in the series they are always holding some sort of idiot "bonding" segment. But Tamaki and Hunny? Where the hell does that come from? And Tamaki and Haruhi pairings is crap. But then I am eh about the fanfics anyways.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [SimmyC](#) on Tue, 26 Jun 2007 00:29:54 GMT
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Yeah. I think that is a problem with most anime/manga based fanfics. People not doing their research. I.e. Americanized concepts that are just not accurate in a Japanese based anime/manga.

In the case of FMA, it's based on a fictionalized Europeanish place set around the early 1920s. With a few differences given that alchemy was developed, and not regular 'science'.

Now I'm not expecting it to be 100 percent accurate (since no one should be expected to be an absolute expert about a world/culture, when they don't even own the work they are writing for). But keeping in mind that the place they are writing isn't America would help go a long way IMO in making a believable world.

Though I'm not sure you can call that 'cliches', just lack of research on the writer's part. Stuff like Roy being a womanizer, Riza being trigger happy, etc. etc. are though. And I admit, I'm sort of guilty in using a few of the cliches here and there in my FMA story. Though not as blatant or as bad IMO. But that is for the readers to decide I guess. :roll:

And the cliches I hate, despise the most though, rape = love. Never mind the fact that rape should be a topic that should be taken as lightly as a lot of people do in fanfics. But also, how does it equal to love in these stories? I can sort of accept the hate = love cliché (which I still think is silly though) since, well, physical violence isn't involved. But actual rape? :nonono: And this is through multiple fandoms.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [HitokiriTaijiya](#) on Wed, 25 Jul 2007 23:58:24 GMT

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I didn't see anything for Rurouni Kenshin, so...

1. Kenshin having a borderline fetish for the laundry. Yes, he seems to enjoy doing it, but he doesn't do it for therapy or to calm the inner voices or any of this other crap.
2. Kenshin's eyes turning amber when he "goes Battousai". Granted, this did happen in the anime, but it was only to show the change in his emotional state. No one actually saw his eyes change colors. In the manga, it doesn't happen at all.
3. Kenshin having arguments with Battousai in his mind as if he suffered from multiple personality disorder. Battousai is another mindset, not another personality.
4. Kenshin always thinking he's unworthy of Kaoru because his hands are soaked in blood, she's so innocent, he's too old, etc. I blame the anime for this because Kenshin seemed to push Kaoru away a bit more in the anime. In the manga, he did not.
5. Kenshin always sleeping against the wall with the Sakabatou against his shoulder. Yes, he slept this way as a hitokiri. But there is a picture of him lying in a futon during the Jinchuu Arc.
6. Enishi as an irredeemable psychopath. Yes, he killed, but if others who killed such as Aoshi and Sojiro get a second chance, why shouldn't he?

7. Enishi having a sister fixation and being oedipal and incestuous. Brother/sister relationships throughout Asia are much closer than they are in our culture. Tomoe raised Enishi from his infancy since their mother died and in that culture, the two would understandably have a strong bond.

8. Hiko as a drunkard who gets his jollies by being nasty to Kenshin. Granted, the two don't exactly see eye-to-eye, but they seemed to have put most of the bad blood behind them by the end of the Kyoto Arc.

9. Kaoru as this whiny, weepy girl who can only scream, "Keeeeeeeeenshiiiiiiiiiiiiiin". Yes, she did lose it when Kenshin left for Kyoto, but she got stronger throughout the story after that. Don't negate character growth!

10. Kaoru as the damsel in distress who can't even fight yakuza thugs. Yeah, never mind that she's a kenjutsuka. Girls aren't ever allowed to be strong after all.

That's all I can think of for now.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [renteka-bond](#) on Mon, 03 Sep 2007 17:13:47 GMT

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SSJ Jup81 wrote on Thu, 31 May 2007 20:59:59: Hmm, how's this for a cliché.

For Digimon Adventure 02, Takeru x Hikari are in love, but poor Daisuke has the IQ of evaporated water, is portrayed as an awful person, and is bashed for the entirety of the fic.

Yeah, I love DaiKari, but in, like every fic, Da goes out with Kari, Tk goes emo, won't let anyone call him T.K. any more, everyone hates Kari, Dai, or both until Kari dates T.K.

I think that's stupid, but I will oppose that in my story, Altered Path.

O yeah, My 2 stories

An Altered Path

Hearts Entwined

Can anyone tell me if they are cliched

AAP; well, i don't wanna go too much into detail, you can read it for that, but it has E7's world in it.

HE; A Naruto/KH fic where Sora DOESN'T fall in a portal and ends up in Naruto's world. You should go check it out.

Look at my Profile (Same name) and check them out. :lol: :p :d :roll:

:mslap:

This is not a thread to promote your own stories or discuss specific pairings. We have a stickied thread for the former, and you have already posted in a thread for the latter.

Gan Xingba
Fan Fiction Mod

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [renteka-bond](#) on Mon, 12 Nov 2007 02:50:24 GMT
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I don't know if it counts under Anime, but:

Kingdom Hearts Cliche's

- Kairi's a bitch.
- Kairi's a USELESS Bitch
- Sora's an idiot and gets dissed by most of the characters.

Avatar:

- Aang's an immature jerk, causing Katara to runb into the waiting arms of Zuko the heartthrob.
- Zuko's a heartthrob, lady-killer.
- Taang is used as an excuse for Zutara.

Just some i wanted to point out.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches
Posted by [lggy Lovechild](#) on Tue, 13 Nov 2007 01:50:11 GMT

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renteka-bond wrote on Sun, 11 November 2007 20:58:50I don't know if it counts under Anime, but:

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And might I just add that the yaoi side of the KH fandom scares the hell out of me. There's a lot of abuse fics (a few between Roxas and Axel that really upset me. Are people just missing the point?) and an inordinate amount of pointless OOC pwp. Now a lot of people will argue that this isn't uncommon in any given fandom, but there's so much to toy with in that fandom that I find it mildly disturbing that so many are more focused on what Riku and Sora are doing in bed. How is it that a fandom that focuses so much on what's in a person's heart and the concepts of love draws so many authors that are more compelled by the physical?

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [RisanF](#) on Mon, 19 Nov 2007 02:30:39 GMT
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Haruka wrote on Mon, 06 November 2006 04:58:00No, the nerd has to be totally gorgeous under those large, thick glasses to even be considered part of the story...remember the whole 'guy gets dared to date nerdy girl, blah, blah, blah...'? :lol:

Geez, I hate those. There's always some scene where the nerd get her glasses taken off, after which any quirks in her personality are whitewashed until she turns into Ms. Thang. (assuming she wasn't already pretty much whitewashed at the beginning of the story) If you're going to write a romance where a guy falls for an awkward nerd, I think it's imperative that he falls for someone that really is an awkward nerd, glasses and all. Let's forget all about the beautiful swan and concentrate on the "ugly duckling."

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic cliches
Posted by [Eastern Cat](#) on Mon, 19 Nov 2007 21:43:43 GMT
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The same goes for the ones in which the ugliest girl/boy is turned into the hottest item around. It's plain stupidity. There are many people who don't even want that top spot.

Another thing that often harasses people is the "High School" fic. It's so cliched that it hurts.

Subject: Re: Anime Fanfic Cliches

Posted by [ChibiMethos](#) on Tue, 18 Dec 2007 23:47:37 GMT

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I agree with HitokiriTaijiya on the RK things, and I would just like to add :

:x IF I HAVE TO READ ANOTHER INUYASHA STORY WHERE KAGOME CATCHES HIM SLEEPING WITH KIKYO AND RUNS HOME/INTO SESSHOMARU/INTO THE WOODS AND BREAKS HER ANKLE/BECOMES GOTH/THE LEADER OF A G :x D-DAMMED BIKER GANG, I WILL START SCREAMING!

:x
