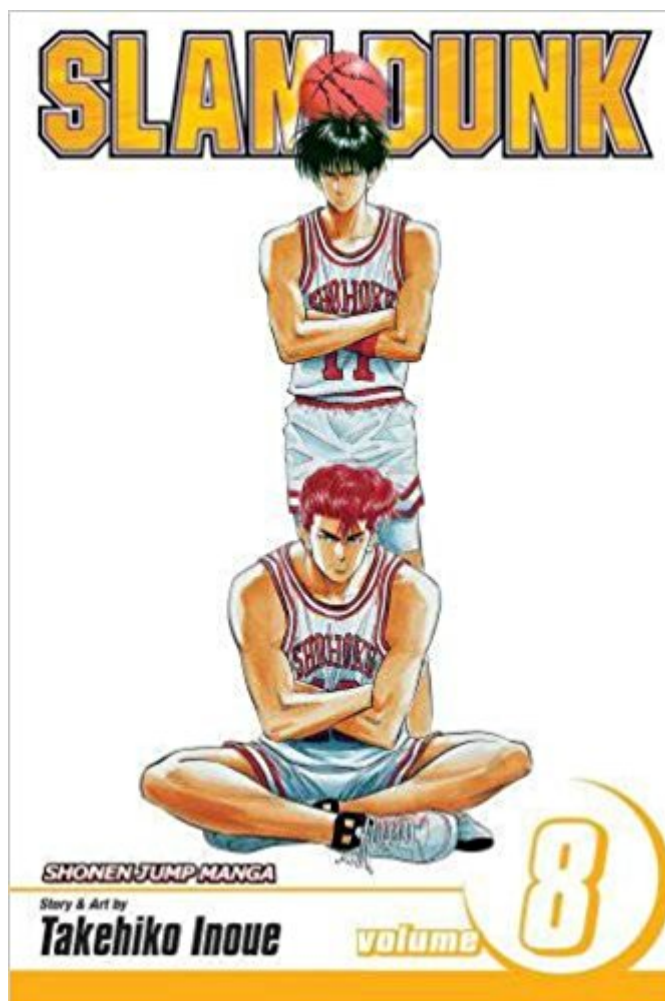


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## Slam Dunk, Vol. 8



## Synopsis

He tried to slam her with love, but she dunked his heart. R to L (Japanese Style). He tried to slam her with love, but she dunked his heart. Winning isn't everything in the game of basketball, but who wants to come in second? It takes a dedication and discipline to be the best, and the Shohoku High hoops team wants to be just that. They have one last year to make their captain's dream of reaching the finals come true--will they do it? Takehiko Inoue's legendary beloved basketball manga is finally here and the tale of a lifetime is in your hands. The fists continue to fly as Hanamichi and Ryota refuse to back down from their full-court rumble with a group of angry thugs. Luckily, the fight comes to an abrupt halt when Kogure--one of the more sensible members of the Shohoku squad--begins reminiscing about one of the combatant's pasts. He may be a punk now, but a little while ago, Hisashi Mitsui was a star player with almost limitless potential. Though a nasty injury cut his ambitions short, is Mitsui truly ready to give up on basketball forever?

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Takehiko Inoue is the creator of one of the most popular manga of all time, "Slam Dunk," which has sold over 100 million copies worldwide. He followed that series up with two titles lauded by critics and fans alike--"Vagabond," a fictional account of the life of Miyamoto Musashi, and "Real," a manga about wheelchair basketball. Inoue is the recipient of numerous awards, including the prestigious Tezuka Osamu Culture award and the Media Arts Festival Award. In addition to his work on manga, Inoue has worked on television commercials, character designs for video games, and is

the founder of a scholarship to foster Japanese basketball talent.

A continuing story after the brawl featured in volume 7 of *Slam Dunk*. This time Sakuragi gets to show why he's not a guy to be messed with as he takes on the brute, Tetsuo. Meanwhile, Akagi has arrived and Kogure reveals to everyone that they know Mitsui and that he was once an all-star player that lost his way, but how far he has fallen and what he has become. The volume is a flashback of how Mitsui, Akagi and Kogure were teammates and how Hisashi Mitsui and Coach Anzai were close at one time. But what happened to Hisashi Mitsui, a revered player in Junior High. What led him stray away from basketball? Of all *Slam Dunk* volumes I have read, this is the volume that is not about basketball competitions but about a team working together and backing up each other like brothers against a group of dangerous thugs. But also how ego can lead to one straying from the sport they once loved. Overall, *Slam Dunk* is an enjoyable manga series and while this volume is not about basketball competition but about Hisashi Mitsui, Akagi and Kogure as former teammates, there is a lot of fight action that people will see in this volume. So, if you have warmed up to the characters of the series, you'll definitely dig this volume! Also, an important volume as Mitsui will become one of the key players of the team! *Slam Dunk* vol. 8 is recommended!

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