

Asian Entertainment:

COVID-19 Edition

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1. Introduction

If you're new to the world of entertainment beyond the borders of the Western world, welcome! I can say much to explain what you're in for, but experience really is the best teacher in this case. Just remember that the people and scenarios you will meet may seem unfamiliar, yet all too close to reality.

Culture may differ, after all, but people are people wherever you go.

The titles listed in this chapter were suggested by both staff and fellow students, and are a good starting point to explore what's available in different media. These websites (official sites and fandom-driven) can be helpful in locating and assessing the series listed:

Asian Dramas: viki.com/ Netflix

Anime: Crunchyroll/ Netflix/ myanimelist.com

Webcomics: webtoons.com

Webnovels: webnovels.com/ wuxiaworld.com/ novelupdates.com

Of course this list is not comprehensive, but it should be enough to get you started with whichever form of media you choose to explore.

If you're an old hand at this, well. Enjoy exploring the list, and in either case, I hope the titles shared here can help provide what you need right now.

2. Beginner's Listing

The following are a few titles from each genre that may provide a nice sampling of what you may find in different media.

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
• ASIAN DRAMAS	
Hwarang	
I am not a robot	
My Shy Boss (aka Introverted Boss)	
Descendants of the Sun	
To The Beautiful You	
Strong Woman Do Bong Soon	
• ANIME/ MANGA	
Fruits Basket	
Ouran High School Host Club	
Full Metal Panic!	
Death Note	
Haikyuu	
Tanaka-kun is always listless	
• WEBCOMICS	
Cultivation Chat Group	
God of High School	
I Love Yoo	
The Gamer	
Bastard	
Ghost tellers	

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
• WEBNOVELS	
Cultivation Chat Group	
You owe me your draft	
National School Prince is a girl	
It's not easy to be a man after travelling to the future	
Overgeared	
Ark	

3. Asian Dramas

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
1% of something	
Andante	
Cheese in the trap	
Cinderella and Four Knights	
Cinderella's Stepsister	
Coffee prince	
Descendants of the Sun	
Doctor Stranger	
Emergency Couple	
Heirs	
High End Crush	
Hwarang	
I am not a Robot	
It's not easy being King	
Just You	
Kill me Heal me	
Longing Heart	
Mask	
My Amazing Boyfriend	
My love from another star	
My Mr Mermaid	
My Secret Romance	
My Princess	
My Shy Boss (Introverted Boss)	
Oh My Venus	
Playful Kiss	
School 2015&2017	
Rooftop prince	

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
Secret Garden	
Smile Dong hae	
Spring has come	
Strong Woman Do Bong Soon	
Sungkyunkwan Scandal	
The Princess' Man	
To the Beautiful You	
W two worlds	
Weightlifting Fairy Kim Bok-joo	

4. Anime/ Manga

While this listing does not provide a specific manga list, many of these anime series are based on an accompanying manga.

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
<u>SPORTS</u>	
Haikyuu (volleyball)	
Baby Steps (tennis)	
Kuroko no Basket (basketball)	
Prince of Tennis (tennis)	
Major (baseball)	
Diamond no Ace (baseball)	
Overdrive (cycling)	
Yowamushi Pedal (cycling)	
Free (swimming)	
Cross Game (baseball)	
Area no kishi (football)	
<u>SCHOOL DAYS</u>	
Orange	
Ouran High School Host Club	
Kaichou wa maid-sama	
Shigatsu wa Kimi no Uso	
Special A	
Sukkite li na yo	
Ore monogatari	
Tanaka-kun is always listless	
Tonari no Seki-kun	
Wolf Girl and Black Prince	
Clannad	
Lovely complex	
Gekkan shoujo Nozaki-kun	

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
Charlotte	
Himouto! Omaru-chan	
<u>HISTORICAL</u>	
Rurouni Kenshin	
Samurai Champloo	
<u>SUSPENSE/ MYSTERY</u>	
Death Note	
Gakkou Gurashi	
The Promised Neverland	
<u>ADVENTURE/ FANTASY</u>	
Ascendance of a Bookworm	
Akatsuki no Yona	
Made in Abyss	
Sword Art Online	
Fairy Tail	
Full Metal Alchemist: Brotherhood	
Wolf Children	
Nanatsu no Taizai	
Full metal panic!	
One Punch Man	
Made in Abyss	
Fruits Basket (2019)	
One Piece	
Kekkaishi	
Card Captor Sakura	
DN Angel	
Aldnoah.Zero	
Wolf's Rain	
Tekknoman	
Hunter x Hunter	

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
The Seven Deadly Sins	
Trigun	
Sailor Moon Crystal	
Shugo Chara	
<u>Other</u>	
Skip Beat (comedy/ drama)	
Uta no Prince-sama (music)	
High School Star Musical (music)	
La Corda D'Oro (music)	
Your Lie in April (music/ drama)	
Yakitate!! Japan (baking)	
Akagami no Shirayuki-hime	

5. Webcomics

Most of the following can be found on webtoons.com, with a few exceptions (listed at the bottom). Not all of these are of Asian origin, but they are still enjoyable.

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
<u>Romance/Drama</u>	
The devil is a handsome man	
Let's Play	
Lore Olympus	
Edith	
I love Yoo	
True Beauty	
The Croaking	
Shard	
Purple Hyacinth	
Freaking Romance	
Luff	
In the Bleak Midwinter	
<u>Action/Adventure/Fantasy</u>	
Tower of God	
God of highschool	
I don't want this kind of hero	
UnOrdinary	
Urban Animal	
Hardcore Leveling Warrior	
Lalin's Curse	
Four Leaf	
The Gamer	
I'm the Grim Reaper	
Winter Moon	

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
Gosu	
Zero Game	
Steam Dragon Express	
Sword Interval	
<u>Comedy</u>	
Waffles and Pancakes	
Unlucky is as Lucky Goes	
Love Advice from the Great Duke of Hell	
Bluechair	
My name is Benny	
Live with Yourself	
Behind the Gifs	
Safely Endangered	
Outrage	
<u>Horror/thriller</u>	
Shiloh	
Sweet Home	
Bastard	
Witch Creek Road	
Escape Room	
My Deepest Secret	
Hive	
Seed	
Ghost Teller	
<u>Others</u>	
Lackadaisy	
Ava's Demon	
Countdown to Countdown	
Bomic	
Scoob and Shag	

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
Humor Me	
De Novo	
Beetle hands (Horror)	
Raining Knives	
<u>These are not on Webtoons</u>	
Only I Level Up	
A Returner's Magic Should Be Special	
I am the Sorcerer King	
Dungeon Reset	
Survival Story of a Sword King	
FFF-Class Trashero	
Lucia	
The Monster Duchess and Contract Princess	
Cultivation Chat Group	

6. Webnovels

Most of the following can be found either on webnovels.com or wuxiaworld.com.

This list is short for good reason: webnovels can be *long*. For instance, while one of the titles in this list has only two chapters, another has a total of 2,165 chapters.

At least you won't run out of reading material so quickly?

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
<u>ROMANCE/ DRAMA/ COMEDY</u>	
Full Marks Hidden Marriage	
You owe me your draft	
Finding glowing beauty in books	
Just blame me for being blind in the beginning	
National School Prince is a girl	
<u>ADVENTURE/ FANTASY</u>	
The Legendary Mechanic	
Cultivation Chat Group	
The Daily life of the Immortal King	
Rebirth of the Godly Prodigal	
Rise of the Undead Legion	
It's not easy to be a man after travelling to the future	
World Domination System	
A Valiant life	

<u>TITLE AND GENRE</u>	<u>MY RATING</u>
Only I Level up (aka Solo leveling)	
Omniscient Reader	
Ark	
Overgeared	

Stay safe, everyone!

-SFGC Library staff