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# Another - Light Novel




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## Synopsis

In the spring of 1998, Koichi Sakakibara transfers to Yomiyama North Middle School. In class, he develops a sense of unease as he notices that the people around him act like they're walking on eggshells, and students and teachers alike seem frightened. As a chain of horrific deaths begin to unfold around him, he comes to discover that he has been placed in the cursed Class 3 in which the student body head count is always one more than expected. Class 3 is haunted by a vengeful spirit responsible for gruesome deaths in an effort to satisfy its spite. To stop the vicious cycle gripping his new school, Koichi decides to get to the bottom of the curse, but is he prepared for the horror that lies ahead...?

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## Customer Reviews

Yukito Ayatsuji is a well-known mystery writer in Japan whose works include Another, Freaks, and Homunculus. In his works he strives to recapture the tone and tropes of classic detective fiction.

The hardcover is the novel and the softcover is the manga! Have both and love them!

Ã Â If you are a fan of the Anime or Manga by the same name ( or just someone who loves scary/creepy books ) then you definitely have to pick this book up. This novel is where it all started, and you can finally own an english translated copy in PRINT thanks to the awesome Yen Press. I thought the translation was pretty good, everything made sense to me. I didn't feel like I was

missing anything. That being said, this is by far the scariest/creepiest book I have read, and I probably won't find one scarier/creepier. I have read some scary books in the past, but didn't really feel anything with those. With this book, I definitely felt creeped out if not full on scared. I actually had to keep my bedside lamp on all night because for some reason I thought it was a good idea to read in the middle of the night before I went to bed. It might not be that way for you, though. I am kinda a lightweight when it comes to scary/creepy things. But whether you're a lightweight or not, I highly recommend getting yourself a copy of this book!

I had heard of the anime and tried to watch it, but the something about the style, voices, etc just really put me off. I was intrigued by the story though and found that this book is what actually inspired the novel.For me, the book was 1000xs time better than the anime. What seemed too unrealistic to be entertaining in the anime was downplayed in the book and written to seem like such a thing could happen in any small town Japanese high school, or a high school of any country, really.I did not find translation errors to bother me at all. Once the story got going, I literally could not put it down. I had to buy Part 2 in a heartbeat (really don't understand why they sell them in 1 and 2). For me the whole dolls thing with the main female character was boring and odd, but I enjoyed the novel just fine by skipping those parts.The main storyline is unique and I sincerely hope there will be more, though the author has mentioned he does not see it happening in the near future (boo!).I love stories that affect a finite group of people and force those people to deal with the conflict and each other. You really got to see how human nature might handle a situation and it's entertaining to put yourself in the situation and compare your ideas of what you might do to how the characters actually handled it.Overall, a great translation of an excellent novel, and one of my new personal favorites.

I bought the book after watching the anime. While the story is overall the same. The anime made certain additions that made the story way more interesting. This doesn't take any merit from the book, which is actually a pretty good story with quite a few surprises for those who haven't watched the animation, but it might be one of those rare occurrences in which the adaptation turns out to be better than the source material, at least for me.Going back to the book. The dark atmosphere is properly developed and the story is intriguing. I would think of it more along the lines of a dark mystery novel with some supernatural elements and not of a horror story per se. Koichi, the protagonist, provides a good insight of how the entire situation unfolds through the course of the book, but with the exception of a few scenes here and there, he seems to be a little too detached

from the situation. The character development in the book is not particularly the best either, I would say that with the exception of Koichi, and perhaps Mei, it is lacking for the rest of the cast, yet it still makes sense given that everything is seen through Koichi's eyes, and Mei is the person that interacts the most with him.

This was an excellent read! I had difficulty putting it down. It is a horror story, so there are parts that can be a bit suspenseful, but I think even people who are scared easily will be able to enjoy this book to the fullest. The characters and their actions lead the reader to try and solve the mysteries of the book right alongside the characters. The story was nothing short of fantastic.A comment on the translation: I did not notice any obvious translation errors like you see in other light novels, in fact I feel this book kept the spirit the author intended flawlessly. It read naturally and was coherent throughout.If you are looking for a good read, look no further than Another.

When I started reading this book I couldn't stop. I bought the Vol. 2 on the spot, because I just wanted to read them both as if it was just one long book.As a person whose read the manga and seen the anime (I've never got to see the action movie) I can point out several things. This first volumen mostly introduce the characters, which are less tan in the other two, you don't need that many main character to write a book, but to illustrate de story and keeo it interesting you need more people, more drama, mora characters to love and hate, and so on. In a book you can express much more with much less. The pace is good and, although is a mystery-horror novel, it's a pretty light Reading, meaning you won't have to take a break from all the tension it creates or anything. It's also well narrated.The only thing I have to say about it, that it's not enough to give this book 4 stars for me, is that it makes reference to events that happen in Japan, such as Sakakibara has the same last name as the name used by a serial killer in Japan that ocurred in 1997, a year before this story took place. As it is a famous case in there they do not explain this, because the audience most know, as it is a japanese novel, but even that was fun.I recommend this book if you like this kind of story, even if you read the manga and/or saw the anime, it's still worth it.

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