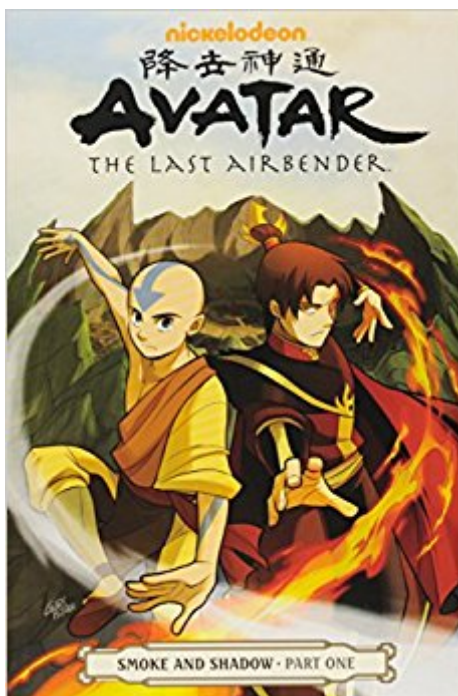


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# Avatar: The Last Airbender - Smoke And Shadow Part One



## Synopsis

The Fire Nation is threatened by a prophecy told by the Kemurikage--mysterious figures thought only to exist in legend--remove Zuko from the throne or the country will perish! Avatar Aang and his friends escort Zuko and his family back to the capitol completely unaware of the looming threat growing in the city. Unrest is brewing as the New Ozai Society prepares to make its move against the crown, and children begin to go missing from their homes under mysterious circumstances! Written and drawn by the creative team behind the best-selling *The Promise*, *The Search* and *The Rift*, Gene Luen Yang and Gurihiru, in collaboration with *Avatar: The Last Airbender* and *Legend of Korra* creators Michael Dante DiMartino and Bryan Konietzko, this is the ultimate continuation of *Avatar* and the perfect companion to *Legend of Korra*!

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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## Customer Reviews

Gene Luen Yang began making comic books in the fifth grade. He has since written and drawn a number of titles. His 2006 book, *American Born Chinese*, was the first graphic novel to be nominated for a National Book Award and the first to win the American Library Association's Michael L. Printz Award. It also won an Eisner Award for Best Graphic Album - New. His 2013 two-volume

graphic novel, *Boxers & Saints*, was nominated for both the National Book Award and the LA Times Book Award. Gene currently writes the graphic novel continuation of the popular Nickelodeon cartoon, *Avatar: The Last Airbender*. *The Shadow Hero*, his comic book series with Sonny Liew, revived the Green Turtle, an obscure 1940s character who is arguably the first Asian American superhero. *The Shadow Hero* is now available as individual digital issues via Kindle. The author lives in San Jose, CA..

I consider myself very fortunate when it comes to this wonderful ongoing saga. At the time it originally aired on Nickelodeon my kids were all grown, I was extremely busy, and unfortunately unaware of its existence. Now that I'm retired I'm with too much time to occupy my fate apparently decided to intervene. Stumbling upon the four nations at this point in my life has been perfect as I've been able to steadily & gradually explore the two TV series and then the continuing trade paperbacks. This new one has beautiful artwork and the narrative continues forward from *Promise/Search/Rift* very nicely. It would have been fun to watch this TV series as each new season released, but as they say, better late than never! From the back cover;-----  
"Returning with his family after the events of *The Search*, Zuko discovers that not everyone in the Fire Nation celebrates their homecoming. Believing that the young Fire Lord is not fit to succeed his father and spurred on by the Kemurikage, menacing spirits long thought to be only mouths an underground organization called the New Ozai Society plots to assassinate Zuko and restore Ozai to power!"

You guys really ran out of time, didn't you? Don't get me wrong, I truly loved the set up, interesting storyline, and great characterization... It's just that "One month later" really came out of nowhere. The story starts with so much, it felt weird that nothing mentionable would happen for that long. But aside of that it looks like a promising start!

the overall concept of this is great. but it is such a tease, the story line is way to fast paced. and i finished reading it (including staring at the pictures) in about 1 hour. the tv series just sets a high bar for it, and i think the comic books have done the best they could. and it turns out great, so it is for sure worth reading. i just feel like they are kind of dragging it out a little bit. i mean they will stop producing the comic books when it stops making money, rather than trying to make it worth while to read. but over all its just to short, it leaves me wanting more than the 76 pages of the material. and

that is the creators plan so the reader has to wait and buy the next book. and it worked on me.

I really love this and I can't wait for the next two books. I'm a really big fan of Avatar and this book lives up to the Avatar name. The plotline is great, and I like how it focused on the Fire Nation more and less on the other main characters (Aang, Toph, Katara, Sokka, etc.). But I'm also happy that in the next book, Team Avatar will be back. I would also like to mention the artwork. The art is amazing and I absolutely adore it. Gurihiru is amazing! I hope the next books get even better! Definitely a five star book that I would recommend to anyone that is a fan of Avatar!

Gene has really merged well into the Avatar series. I'm excited that this 4th Avatar graphic novel set looks to be maturing the story for older audiences who grew up with Aang's story and enjoyed Korra's story as adults. I hope we continue to see the timeline between the two series tie together. My wish is that the next graphic novel set features the Aang and Sokka beards that we saw in the Korra flashback scenes!

Great addition to the Avatar universe

Came to me in perfectly new condition!! I suggest reading the Promise, Search, and Rift trilogies prior to this one, considering they all continue linearly. Very good, I always love these and I can't wait for the rest of these!

one of the better stories. I like to see the character development, along with the development of the various nations. Peacetime is hard and the power vacuum inevitably causes problems. I like that they address it. As ever, they need to create and release these sooner 'cause we're DYING!!

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