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Set in a dystopian Tokyo, the show's premiere was such a hit that it's already received the green light for a second season. Though live-action adaptations of manga typically miss the mark when they cross over onto the screen, this action-packed series has proved itself to be an exception. Here are some surprising facts about the series.

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In the production notes released by Netflix, Aso was quoted saying 'I looked back on what I was like around age 20 and created Arisu based on my own lack of direction at the time'. He added that Usagi was based on his independent personality and ability to rely on himself instead of others.

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Instead, the scene was filmed at a replica of the famous crossing in Tochigi, which was created for filming purposes. In the script, Arisu and his friends would meet in front of the Starbucks opposite the Shibuya Station, but it was changed to the other side of the crossing because the reflection from the glass would be too difficult to work around.

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Because the scene would be captured in a single shot, a replica of everything that would appear in the four-minute scene had to be created, including the public restroom and ticket barriers.

Additional details had to be filled in during post-production, including a shadow of the Tokyo building which normally appears over the crossing.

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Creating the exotic animal using visual effects was actually an international effort involving studios in Japan, Singapore, the USA, and India. Dutch animation director Erik-Jan De Boer, who won an Academy Award for creating the tiger from 'Life of Pi', was the project supervisor.

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For the research, the team went to a zoo to observe the animal's moves. Judging from the success of season one, the production team is continuing the story from that last cliffhanger. Frankly, we're most excited to see which iconic Tokyo location they'll replicate next in this dystopia.

## 1- Match the section and their titles

\*The black panther that appears in episode 4 was a local endeavor by the visual effects team at Digital Frontier.

\*Did the tiger in episode 5 look familiar?

\*The first episode, which featured Tokyo's iconic Shibuya Scramble, wasn't actually shot in Shibuya.

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\*An early scene captured with a handheld camera shows Arisu and his friends running from the crossing into a bathroom stall at Shibuya Station.

\*Haro Aso, who wrote and illustrated the manga, said he based the lead characters on himself.

## 2- Find the synonyms in the text

|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| effort      | approval     |
| excited     | attempt      |
| green light | enthusiastic |
| lack        | intention    |
| purposes    | shortage     |
| restroom    | toilet       |

## 3- Match the opposites

|          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| actually | doubtfully  |
| hit      | failure     |
| iconic   | held        |
| meet     | light       |
| released | separate    |
| shadow   | unimportant |

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