

BATMAN THE KILLING JOKE

by Alan Moore

Published 1988

Rating (0 stars is the absolute worst, 10 stars is the BEST BOOK EVER)



Genre(s):

☐

Contemporary/Realistic

☐

Action/adventure

☐

Science Fiction

☐

Fantasy

☐

Romance

☒

Horror

☒

Mystery

☐

Nonfiction

☐

Historical fiction

☐

Other:

Batman the Killing Joke, is one of the most horrific and disturbing comic books I've ever read, but it is still very interesting and well written that it becomes entertaining. This Batman comic focuses mainly on the Joker, specifically with his relationship to Batman. This comic covers Jokers backstory to how/why he went mad, which is the first comic to actually give him a backstory. There is also a mystery aspect of this book, as in the present day Joker kidnaps commissioner Gordon in order to prove his twisted world view.

I honestly really liked this book, although I do not recommend it to the faint of heart who cannot handle disturbing imagery. This book is a deep dive into who the joker is, and it explores how one bad day made him completely crazy and maniacal. He then tries to prove that anyone can go as crazy as him by kidnapping commissioner Gordon, which is a very intriguing narrative. Although, some of the things the Joker does to the commissioner is horrific, while reading I was disgusted at times. Still, I recommend this comic to people who are fans of the Joker and batman comics in general, as well as to those who have a high tolerance to horror and disturbing themes.

By Charles M, 12th grade, enjoys reading Action/Adventure & Fantasy