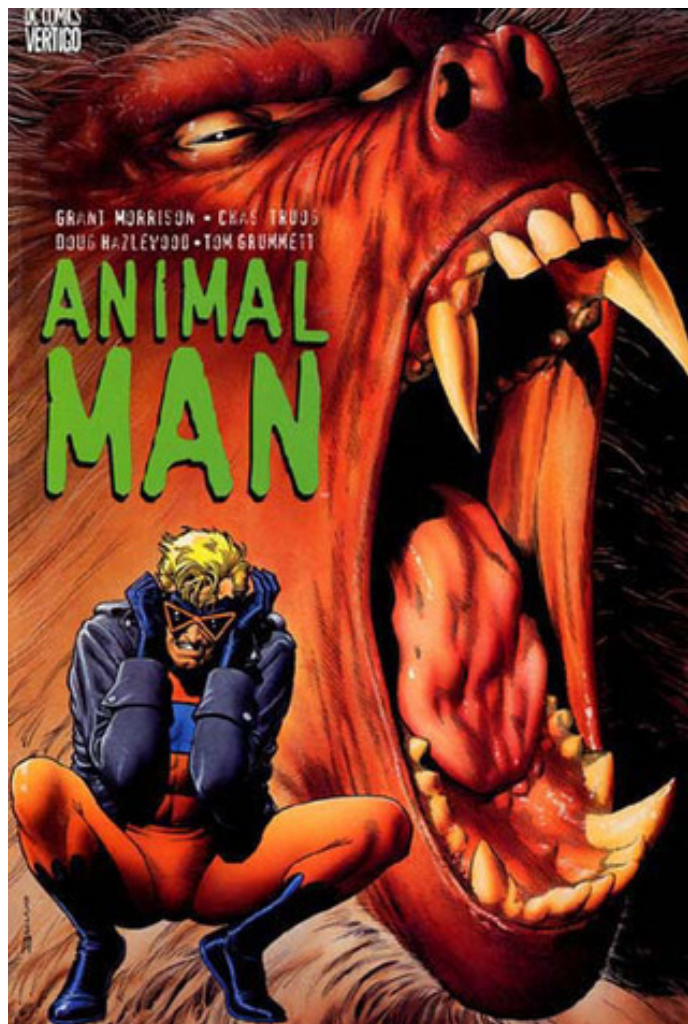

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Animal Man (Animal Man #1)



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Description

This edition collects the bizarre adventures of Animal Man, a second-rate super hero struggling with real-life issues and moral dilemmas. Buddy Baker is a caring husband, devoted father, animal activist and super-powered being. But as he attempts to live up to all of his roles, he soon finds that there are no black and white situations in life. With a strong focus on storytelling, these thought-provoking and innovative tales make the reader question the actions of Animal Man as well as their own behavior in similar situations.

Insightful reviews

Jace: Is the concept a straightforward superhero story from Grant Morrison too good to be true? Maybe in this day and age, but not back in the 80s. That's one of the things I liked most about this volume: it's a collection of 9 serialized and self-contained stories, free of the pretentious meta-textualism and the masturbatory self-reference that has plagued most of Morrison's recent work. Plus, unlike his work on Batman, you don't need to know every villain from the last 60 years of Animal Man's history in order to understand the plotline. [Rather than turn this into a "Why I hate Grant Morrison" forum thread, I'm just gonna stop with the criticism.:]

The characterization is great. Instead of a millionaire playboy or a cosmopolitan reporter, Buddy Baker is just an average middle-class guy with a wife and 2 kids. In fact, he can be quite a loser at times. He's a sympathetic character, who doesn't understand the extent of his powers anymore than he understands how Blue Beetle made it onto the Justice League. Some people might find this a negative, but I really enjoy the notion of a socially-conscious, environmentally aware superhero, especially one more subtle and conflicted than Captain Planet.

On the other hand, nothing about this book really stands out. I like the character, but so far it's pretty generic comic book fare. And I was disappointed when I finally read the much-heralded "Coyote Gospel" issue. I'm not sure what the big fanfare is all about. Personally, it was a little too cute & clever (without actually saying anything) and underscores my aforementioned complaint with Grant Morrison. Also, whoever assembled the graphic novels could have separated them differently. This collection ends abruptly with issue 9 and doesn't leave the reader with much incentive to pick up the next volume. Because the first 36 issues come so highly recommended, I'm most likely going to end up checking them out.

Justyn Rampa: This volume collects the first 9 issues of Grant Morrison's run on Animal Man which has been heralded as something truly wonderful.

I don't completely agree, but I can see where they are coming from.

Originally published in 1988-1989, these issues I think began to introduce the world to the madness of Grant Morrison as well as the animal activism of Grant Morrison.

As for the animal activism, I feel like Grant Morrison did that best with *We3*. As for his madness,

I think Grant Morrison has aged well, growing into his madness like a true genius. Admittedly, he alerts the reader of this particular volume that some of the story lines will not make sense due to the lack of context for larger comic book arcs going on at that time. It's true. The series itself, was engaging enough to keep me reading but also because I made a promise to my comic book guy.

The true gem of the volume and indeed one of the most adored issues of all time is "The Coyote Gospel". Grant Morrison addresses it in the intro, my comic book guy said it is one of his favorite stories of all time. I can see the challenge and the appeal it presents.

Basically, it examines Christianity through the lens of Wile E. Coyote, if he were real.

I think that is all I will say.

It requires a re-read because I can't really formulate my thoughts although my initial impression is that it is brilliant!

Brilliant enough to own...that's a different matter entirely.

Zedsdead: Man, I thought this was supposed to be some kind of astute subversion of 80s superhero comics, but it felt pretty much like every other insipidly-dialogued mainstream superhero story, with a bunch of cheesy cameos shoehorned in to sell issues. I could almost hear the live studio audience squealing with glee whenever Hawkman or Martian Manhunter made a fawning full-frame appearance. Disappointing.

Phil: form of loved it, yet no longer really up to the earlier couple of photograph novels i have read. I needed to reframe the context and time frame for while this used to be written to place it in perspective. The awkward fight to be famous as an excellent hero juxtaposed along an ordinary relations lifestyles is a distinct approach. beloved how in factor eight he was once calling domestic from a cellphone sales space in the midst of a robotic invasion!My favourite arc used to be the Beast from Africa and the continuous exciting usage of either Animal guy and Beast's superpowers. the remainder of the problems did not appear to particularly seize me. Having no longer been many years picture novel reader i do know I neglected the various sophisticated references, yet nonetheless loved the motion scenes regardless. watching for staring at how this personality develops.

Williwaw: This used to be certainly a wild ride. There doesn't appear to be loads of continuity to the story-line from factor to issue, yet possibly furnish Morrison wraps every little thing up later on. or perhaps this can be simply usual comedian e-book technique, which makes it more uncomplicated for a reader to dip into any factor with no realizing the way it all obtained started. there is a well-known "Coyote Gospel" sequence, the place Morrison turns a Wiley E. Coyote-style personality (drawn with even more pathos and creepiness than the Roadrunner version)into a Christ-like figure. It was once attention-grabbing -- even really brutal, yet i am not convinced the way it ties in with the remainder of the narrative, or if this thread should be taken up later within the series.Despite the discontinuity, there are various fascinating rules here, and that i used to be entertained. Morrison looks bursting with artistic ideas. I specially liked the

animal rights themes. the colours are brilliant and catchy; and the paintings is good, no matter if it truly is usually conventional, vintage Marvel/DC superhero sort (i.e., bulging thighs and six-packs). it is simple reading, and it is going fairly fast. So i will see if i will get quantity II from my neighborhood library.

Gavin: I loved analyzing this, and it gave me somewhat a surprise, while I opened it and checked out the 1st cover, it took me again to being 8yrs previous on the nook store, and seeing it at the stands...I certainly keep in mind the entire animals, yet i did not purchase it, i've got no concept what I did purchase instead. blood brother Baker is likely one of the extra fascinating stories, simply because he is received powers, yet uncertain if they are much good, and finally ends up overmatched each so often. This makes him extra attractive to me, in addition to the truth that he is a typical man with spouse and youngsters and basic problems. I take into account seeing him in JL books I learn and never being certain of him all that much, so this can be a great resource and strong read.

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