

## Chapter 1 : Army of Darkness (comics) - Wikipedia

*In Tales of Dirt, Danger and Darkness, Paul Steward shows us the intensity, the peril, the exhilaration of subterranean exploration. These tales will thrill, amuse, and frighten--in other words, they do exactly what good stories are supposed to do, entertain and inform.*

A voice was calling him, through the darkness. It sounded afraid, panicking. The sound resonating in his ears, and a sharp stinging sensation on right cheek, Eren Yeager lurched to setting position along with a startled "what the fuck?! To his right was Armin, whom was significantly pale and sweating bullets. What looked like great fear was gleaming in his sky blue eyes, but fear of what? Before them was Mikasa, standing straight with two blades out and glaring before her. When Eren looked pasted her, he saw the reason why she was glaring and Armin was so afraid. Soldiers of the Garrison regiment were surrounding them, at least thirty or so of them armed to the teeth with rifles and their 3DM Gear blades. Those who held their blades were clenching the handles so hard that their veins were bulging, as if they were trying to escape the body they helped flow blood around. Weapons made specifically for killing Titansâ€”aimed at humans. Armin gave Eren a desperate shake, "Eren, you need to tell them what you know! What stood out to the boy was their faces. The look in their eyes, the utter loathing and indescribable fearâ€”if was like, they were looking at a monster. He froze though, when he saw that said arm was bare; the sleeve was missing right up to his elbow. He lost his arm whilst saving Armin. A gust of air ran over him, and he felt a chill on his left leg. He quickly realised that he was missing the clothing on that leg, and remembered that he had lost that leg when he was after the bastard that killed Thomas. He could remember the pain he felt from both times, and how he overlapped the feeling with his fury. The giant teeth severing his arm and leg so quickly it was almost merciful. He instantly recognised the man as Kitz Weilmann, a captain of the Garrison. His entire being was dishevelled, obviously from the stress from this dire situation. They thoughtâ€”he was a Titan? Blinking owlshly, the boy looked to Armin for help, for anything! The blonde offered him nothing; he only gave his friend a fearful look. Mikasa gave him no help either, she just kept her dark, challenging glare set on the soldiers before them. He recognised the look, the one that promised death and great pain, and immediately realised that this was going to get far worse before it got better. He had to stop this, now! To Titan or a person of the military, he would so no fear. He had given his answer, so why was the Garrison captain still beating around the bush? For all we know there are others like you, entering Wall Rose as we speak I the guise of a human! Trainees or not, I have every right to eliminate you should you be proven a threat to humanity! They were not in Trost, that much was certain by the lack of destruction all around them, they had to of been on the other side in the small town which name escaped him. The shadow of the wall covered them, blanketing them in cooling darkness, and looking up he was horrified to see that cannons were aimed at him. Kitz went on, roaring how he believed that Eren was in league with the Armoured Titan and how he might be a decoy for the monster to make a surprise attack. He said it would be for the beneficitation of humanity that he was killed, and that made Eren want to laugh out loud. He noted the short, silver haired woman besides the Garrison captain, who seemed to be giving him some form of advice that would lead to his untimely demise. He thought hard, trying to think and remember anything that he could use in his defence. If what Kitz was saying was true, then that means that he really did get his arm bitten off and then went on to fight against a group of Titans. It echoed off the dirt ground beneath them and briefly stopped the palpable blood lust that tainted the air. All the soldiers went slack, their expressions mixed. As if it disgusted them that Eren would consider himself one of them. He sounded weary, terribly weary, as though he had the weight of the entire world on his shoulders. Then, he suddenly bellowed with a great burst of energy: Each of them held up their weapon and pointed the barrel at their target. Eighteen soldiers with rifles, one shot from each, enough to kill a human. And with the distances they were at, death was guaranteed for Eren and his friends. His chest heaving, he roared the death sentence that echoed all around them, "Fire! Mikasa tensed, readying herself for the pain that she believed she could tank. Armin cried out in terror, cowering. He stared defiantly, without fear. He would defy death, as he had defied the expectations of everyone since he had begun training. These fools would gain no satisfaction from

his death, he was determining of that. However, death never came. Literally, each individual bullet was stopped about a foot away from hitting Mikasa. Eren gaped at the sight of the wall of bullets that hovered in the air, his sharp eyes catching the heat rising from the hot balls of iron. To his surprise, Mikasa whipped her head around to face behind him and barked with annoyance, "You cut that too close, you idiots! Where the hell have you two been?!" His answer floored him. Standing there, slowly fading into existence like one would walk through a fog, was the Brothers. They had been watching the entire exchange from the shadows, hidden via their cloaking ability that even concealed their crimson eyes. While they were deeply tempted to attack the Garrison captain form sprouting such stupid things about Eren, they held themselves back and waited for the best opportunity to reveal themselves. Yin was the first to speak, and there was a hint of a grin in his voice that was not expressed on his impassive face, "We apologise. We decided it best to stay hidden, just to see what your comrades would make of Eren and his new power, as well as so not to cause any more problems. As for reason we decided to step in now, simple: You think this is a game?!" His brother followed only a step behind. He and Yang had to end this madness, then he will remove his armour. Right now, just feeling him proving that he really was there without a doubt was more than enough. He noted how his hair fell over his eyes, and how his teeth were pressing together so tightly. The Guyvers found themselves quite surprised by how primitive the rifles were, the bullets were no more than little balls of lead. How could this culture create impressive technology such as the 3DM Gear, yet still have such weak handheld weapons? They noted that the venomous loathing was gone from their faces; now pure terror was the overruling emotion on all of their features. That, or die of a sudden heart attack. Finally, when no one said anything or dared to move, Yin broke the silence with a fair warning: As the rifle welders started to reload in a painfully slow yet frantic way, Yin moved out a hand and tapped one of the small bullets in front of him with his index finger. It flew forward with a speed unlike any rifle in this world could produce, so fast was it that none of the humans could follow its course, and it made impact with one of the rifles. The soldier wielding the weapon gaped in a mixture of horror and astonishment, when he held the two pieces of what remained his weapon in both hands. They whistled through the air, the sound like a spear being thrust into the ears of all who were present. In just under ten seconds, Kitz was staring with horror at the sight of his soldiers holding broken rifles. Said soldiers were pale, and looked more like corpses of a battlefield. Rolling his right hand to ease the muscles of his wrist, Yin spoke with his ever calm voice, "I trust we can now talk like civilised people? Then, their expressions became firm and grim, and they pulled forth their blades. Savage glee filled both Guyvers when they saw this, the blades used to kill Titans now tuned on them. It was so stupid, yet so funny. Linking his fingers together, he pushed both palms down and a series of audible cracking issued forth. The soldiers charged forward, screaming all their fury and pent up feelings as though this would be their final battle. But, Yin then made the first move as the soldiers closed in and thrust his left hand downwards. The soldiers closest to them suddenly shot upwards, about three feet of the ground, like puppets being jerked roughly on their strings by children. Yin shot forward, his fists flying. The soldiers fell to the ground roughly once they moved out of said area, sore and most likely bruised but still alive. Yang preformed closer attacks, launching himself at the stunned soldiers. The world moved slowly to the red being, as he shot out his right leg and struck a woman behind him in the side with a heel kick. A crack filled his covered ears, a broken rib perhaps? Not fatal, hopefully, but definitely painful. Turning, he lowered his leg until the ball of his foot was scratching against the dirt ground. Turning faster, his foot caught the feet of the soldiers circling him. Most cried out in surprise as they fell back, but few actually reacted fast enough and jumped, evading his attack. Pulling his leg in and rising, three of the remaining standing soldiers used their jumped to their advantage and brought their blades down screaming. One struck each of his shoulders, and the last came down upon his forehead.

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Fortunately, he was not discovered. If Gentle Snow found out that Shi Feng was the creator of the Garrison Armor, terrifying consequences might have occurred. Also, Shi Feng did not doubt the possibility of Gentle Snow utilizing a forceful approach. The Snow Goddess was not an empty title. Her iron-fist methods have tongue-tied countless experts. Otherwise, she would not have been able to take care of so many experts. This meant the reputation of the Garrison Armor had already spread. It was a great chance for Shi Feng to sell the Garrison Armor in large quantities, earning a ton of money. However, the Epic Quest currently before him was much more important. If he gave it up part way, he would definitely regret it for the rest of his life. This Epic Quest played a big role in allowing Fantasy Extinguisher a legendary achievement. Naturally, Shi Feng would not let go of this chance meeting. After spending twenty minutes maneuvering along the narrow pathways of the Slum Area, Shi Feng finally arrived at the Library. On his way here, Shi Feng discovered the wonder of having a Divine Official walking by his side in the Slums. Otherwise, Shi Feng would have needed to spend over an hour for this trip, continuously battling against these sewer rats. Moreover, these NPCs were literally dirt poor. The Library of Red Leaf Town had a withered appearance. The building only had two floors to it, and there was nobody present to manage it as dead leaves could be seen climbing the walls. Entering the Library, dust and dirt covered the entire building. The books laying on the wooden table had long since been parceled up by a layer of dust. The Library looked more like a haunted house than a place in which people once lived. His eyebrows slightly wrinkled when he looked towards the finger-thick layer of dust covering the chair. He truly did not wish to dirty his clothes. However, Sharlyn continued minding her own business as she searched for something on the bookshelf. It was like she did not hear Shi Feng speak at all. Shi Feng was long used to such behaviors, so he chose to remain silent. It was especially true for important NPCs. Unique and bizarre behaviors were considered small matters. There were well-known NPCs that were much more damnable. These NPCs caused many first-rate Guilds to curse their mothers. After waiting for ten whole minutes, Sharlyn finally came out from the pile of bookshelves. In her hands, she held a thick and tattered old book. He took out the tattered diary from his bag, carefully passing it to Sharlyn. Sharlyn was not in a hurry to receive the diary. Instead, she chanted out a phrase of Divine Words. Suddenly, streaks of golden Divine Words wrapped around the diary. Black smoke suddenly appeared on its pitch-black cover, and a sinister-looking face came into view. It looked as if it was in extreme pain. At the same time, she started singing out a Tier 3 Divine Curse, her voice echoing throughout the entire Library. A golden colored hexagram appeared above the Library, covering the entire building, and from the magic formation, three golden Spears of Judgement came flying out. The spears pierced the diary, tearing apart the sinister face. We will meet again! Both of its eyes were firmly affixed toward Shi Feng as if the words it spoke were meant for him. Within a moment, the black smoke above the diary dispersed. Her complexion was deathly pale, and she currently looked extremely weak. You have been cursed by a Great Demon[1]. You have been eyed by a Great Demon. The phantom of the Great Demon will come for you in thirty days. If you are killed by the phantom, your body will be taken over by the Great Demon. When compared to human standards, a Great Demon was the equivalent of a Tier 4 Job. It was on the same level as a Sword Emperor. Although it was just a phantom, it would still require Sharlyn, who had a Tier 3 Job, to handle it. However, instead of aiming for Sharlyn, the Great Demon actually went for a bystander and a minor character like Shi Feng. With this curse around, how would he be able to level up? It had caused his Attributes to sink down to the level of an average player. It would be a problem if he wanted to kill monsters of a higher level. I never imagined that you would actually bring such a terrifying item. However, the problem has been resolved now. If you had dragged on for a few more days, your body might have been possessed by the Great Demon, and your body would suffer in Hell for all eternity. He rejoiced at the fact that he had come to the Library without delay. Otherwise, he would truly be finished. However, the problem right now had yet to be resolved. This diary is not as simple as it seems. It is a

key. In it records the method to unlock the curse on a gate. Your job now is to find this gate, enter through it with this diary, and find the Bible of Darkness that is kept within. I can destroy the Bible of Darkness as long as you retrieve it for me. Find and destroy the Bible of Darkness and prevent the Great Demon from descending. Although Shi Feng had known about the extreme difficulty of completing an Epic Quest, there was still no need for it to be so damnable! At the very least, the Quest should tell him where to find the Bible of Darkness! Even if he went there, the Teleportation Gates had not been activated at this stage of the game, so he would have to run there. However, even if he ran till his legs broke, he would still need to waste several months before he could reach the borders of Black Dragon Empire. This will be further clarified in future chapters when Demons are better introduced.

**Chapter 3 : Beyond - Legends - Tales of Darkness, The Trial of Darth Leda. | Jedi Council Forums**

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How anyone arrived at such a place was a mystery, one was simply just. Leda would hear the subtle roar of the wind howling across dunes and the crumbling stone structures. A blackness before her, that she was bid to enter. She stood at the gaping mouth of a void, the howling winds wiping at her back and splaying her white-blond hair about her head like a bizarre halo. The young woman laughed uncomfortably as she wrapped her arms around her chest, staring into the dense blackness before her. Shadow Knight of the Knights of Darkness, apprentice to Ebon Knight and Headmaster Draconis, warrior of the dark side and now, scared out of her fragging mind. Her green-yellow eyes swept over the decrepit structure, its rough cracks and edges sand-blasted smooth, some parts sunk into the red sands themselves. And she was never one to back down from a challenge, no matter how ridiculous, terrifying, or impossible it may seem. So, she steeled herself. Her arms dropped down to her sides, one hand clenched into a fist and the other resting over her saber hilt. Her body relaxed just enough to move, her legs pushing her forward down a small slope, the blackness consuming her as she cautiously waited to see what horrors her master had conjured for her to face. As she reached the bottom the lighting was minimal shadows seemed to blend with structure making it hard to tell where they began and ended. The howl of the wind was less audible, but occasional droned above. The floor under her feet had a layer of red sand, potentially undisturbed for years, decades, or more. This place was pulsating with energy, but silent as a tomb. Crumbling pillars, walls, deep roots breaking through stone, and a stale musky smell of a place untouched by the elements above. It was quiet, too quiet. What was the purpose of all this. She was proficient, skilled, knowledgeable. Summoned to a dead abandon place for what purpose? As expected par for the course but to what end? There was a feeling of something lurking not known to her. Not her master, a presence she had not felt before. The faint glow of large yellow eyes peered back at her from within the shadows. The eyes are said to be the window to the soul, and these eyes inquired as to why she was here! It pressed in on her from all sides and coupled with the blackest darkness "save for only a few faint shadows" it was not a pleasant atmosphere, rattling her struggling concentration as it was. Having paused in the undisturbed red sand below her feet, she took a deep breath and placed a hand over her heart. It was racing, and she took a moment to try and slow it down, to focus. As she did, she slowly reached out in front of her with the Force, apprehensive of what she might find but also intensely curious. Something in her gut told her this place held many secrets from an era long gone, perhaps some that were never meant to be found. Then her stomach turned over suddenly, her senses having touched a presence that was indeed unknown to her. Shocked as she was, she snapped the Force back towards herself, cocooning the dark side about her for protection. A reflex to be sure, but taking in the twin beams of bright, yellow eyes that now stared back at her through the dark, Leda strengthened the invisible barrier and clutched her saber hilt tighter. But she instantly knew what it had wanted from her; a reason for her trespass. More than a bit surprised that she could find her voice at all in the predicament she found herself in, the warrior responded with an honest answer. The shadowy figure almost rattled in its manners, as it indiscriminately mumbled to itself as it paced. Find her! Not pleased with this. You have to go. They will see you. Horrible things, they will do to you. Claws as it was hunched forward skulking slightly as it looked at her, a face of puzzlement as to why she had not started running per his warning already. Its nonsensical babbling eased her fear some, sensing the panic rolling off the being in turn. This was not the threat she was to face. This was a waste of time. She squared her shoulders and looked down the end of her nose at her living obstacle. So, move along! um! Mr. She speaks of tests! all things IS tests. Breaking into a more song-like rhyme. He was mesmerized by the pale yellow glow, as he got lost for a moment in its beauty. His hand sliding to his hip as if he was reaching for a similar instrument, though nothing was present as his fingers grasped nothing and he snapped back to reality. NO, not that WAY! Catching himself and razing his finger wagging it in a no gesture. Catching himself and quieting his own voice

that he realized was raised too much. This place was not used to such even subtle and soft noises. Come this way is out. Moving slowly, but steadily towards them. Even deeper something else stirred. A nerve she very much needed. It had nearly touched her with a grotesque hand to dissuade her from progressing and she barely halted an instinctual swing out with her saber, which would have surely decapitated her? As it nudged her towards an exit, she had had enough. Her focus was nonexistent and the more her unwanted companion warned of dangers and dark corners and unknown threats "oh. Her moment was here, now, and nothing would stop her from reaching the heights she so richly deserved. Rounding on the thing, she pointed her yellow blade at his face, the searing heat mere inches from its skeletal face. His tone went silent, turning away from the Sith, speaking to himself. A sinister grin and demeanor upon his face. He was trying to remain composed despite the fact that he wanted to get this intruder out of this place as quickly as possible. She was attracting unwanted attention, the type of attention that was not. It was at that moment, something emerged from the shadows close to them both, almost on top of Leda. A decayed corpse like body lunged forth upon Leda with arms lurched forward. One of its arms striking with a blunt force to her near shoulder. Its hideous and decayed appearance only visible through the faint glow of her saber and the light from above in certain spots. Mouth agape as a mouth full of teeth tried to find its way forward and latch onto her as it screamed with purposeful intent. A lingering presence that was more than some rodent or whatever crawled about in the shadows. She shuddered at the thought, glaring down at her guide that still mumbled nonsense, opening her mouth to protest further when it hit her. Well, something hit her? Leda was socked right in the shoulder by a hard, cold, and disgusting? dead person? Having no time to truly gauge what was happening, she reacted instinctively and swung out back-handed with her lightsaber. The threat had appeared on her right, so her blade was quick to meet its mark, however off balance she was due to the surprise attack. Easily shearing off an arm like a knife through soft butter, she stumbled further down the pathway only for it to follow, seemingly unfazed by the loss of an entire limb. She took a brief moment then to take in what had jumped from near nowhere to come for her. It reached for her with its remaining skeletal hand, screeching at an abnormal pitch as if it was in a constant state of dying; never reaching death itself but just suspended in the limbo between it and life. It was in her way and need to go. Leda growled and suddenly grew a spine, leaping forward into action. With a much more well-placed vertical strike, she severed its other arm and circled her saber around to come up from below once more. With an odd gurgling noise emanating from its throat, it ceased thrashing and gnashing immediately, slumping to the ground in a heap as she pulled her weapon free. The flash of a lightsaber tore through the darkness the as Mrrthing had slinked back, startled by the lurking creature stalking them that struck at his guest? seemingly scared and cowering or aware of it and letting it take its chance upon Leda? The clang of a rusted piece of armor impacted the rugged ground with a dull thud. Slumped over, seeming to have come to rest. This place was dark, and the blade of Leda offered a very small glint of the surrounding atmosphere. In fact, a small crevasse was at their feet, normally something inconsequential easily bypassed and overlooked as not a danger at all. The previously motionless body of the recently dispatched walking dead, moved slightly? not of its own volition but drawing up the natural laws of gravity as a tipping point was met and passed. The heavy breast plate that was on the corpse pulled at the motionless body as unbeknownst to Leda and Mrrthing it caused the body to slide ever so slightly. Until suddenly it succumbs and slides with a greater force and speed, rolling into the fissure barely bigger than its width. Like a chain being drawn slowly and then suddenly faster over the bow of a ship down into a depth. Thus, into a cavernous depth the corpse fell, clamoring against rock, the metal armor, decayed and rusted as it was rang with a vibration of newly forged steel as the echo of pangs and deflections seemed to echo as a gong sounding across a landscape. As he continued to stare? His expression of horrid dread did not waver. With a gulp, he turned and looked at Leda not saying a word. The cavern went deep and deeper still, seemingly endless as a small fissure opened up to a larger one, joining others, and endless network of underground caverns and deep depths of sheer darkness. With a loud pang that seemed to impact with the force of a bomb, the clambering and endless falling of the corpse stopped as if finally hitting the bottom with an eerier and tense silence ensuing.

### Chapter 4 : High Crime Area: Tales of Darkness and Dread by Joyce Carol Oates

*1 In the dirt is written" Heed not what is beyond understanding". 2 On the wall is this inscription "Thor is the greatest son of Odin", obviously clues that will be needed later. 3 There are tracks leading East.*

Login to view your messages Register Would you like to become a site member? You can register or login here. He offers the Ring to it and almost puts it on but Sam runs up, takes his hands and pulls him away. Standing by a window looking out Sam says: Frodo, the ones that really mattered. Full of darkness and danger they were. How could the world go back to the way it was when so much bad had happened? Even darkness must pass. A new day will come. And when the sun shines, it will shine out the clearer. Those were the stories that stayed with you that meant something. Even if you were too small to understand why. But I think, Mr. Frodo, I do understand. They kept going because they were holding on to something. Faramir comes and says he finally understands Frodo and orders his men to release them even when one of his men warns him that his own life will be then forfeit. Sam talking about the Great Stories in Osgiliath was that time. This was also the moment where the writers wanted to tie all the story lines together and tell what this whole movie is about; crystallize a theme or a thought of this movie. They felt it was about story telling, value of stories and our need to know there are universal values of good. Earth, air and water all seem accursed. But so our path is laid. The brave things in the old tales and songs, Mr. I used to think that they were things the wonderful folk of the stories went out and looked for, because they wanted them, because they were exciting and life was a bit dull, a kind of a sport, as you might say. Folk seem to have been just landed in them, usually " their paths were laid that way, as you put it. We hear about those as just went on " and not all to a good end, mind you; at least not to what folk inside a story and not outside it call a good end.

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Apr 16, Adam rated it it was ok A book of short stories is very much like a box of assorted chocolates: Quite often, the box is populated by strange off-flavors, just as the pages are clouded by the shadows of what could have been: There is no avoiding these two inevitabilities, and should the overall composition of each lean towards the unpalatable, even slightly, it ruins the entire experience. In fact, in the last 25 years, there have been a half-dozen writers at most who could sustain an entire collection--William Gay, Jhumpa Lahiri, Sherman Alexie, Alice Munro, George Saunders, and Judy Budnitz being a few. Each put forward collections that were thorough, consistent, entertaining, engaging, and worthy of the hours--even days--that they required, that they insisted. Over the last quarter-century alone, Joyce Carol Oates has published almost 20 collections of short fiction. Take a contented suburban family, slide something unexpected beneath their door--or over their phone, or inside a darkened bedroom--and watch as they struggle to control what is uncontrollable, all the while revealing every slick insecurity and prejudice they may be keeping subdued for years. The problem is that, as with most writers, her best work was published earlier in her career--in this case, more than forty years ago: Even when compared to the surviving, in-print works of the other writers of her generation--Raymond Carver, Thomas Pynchon, Toni Morrison, Don DeLillo--the ratio seems completely lopsided. This might seem unavoidable given her output, but that is less of a reason and more of an excuse. In truth, Oates lackluster writing is the result of a writer who seems to have spent the last three decades refusing to compromise on any aspect of her craft, even after the world around her has moved on. High Crime Area, her most recent collection, is a prime example of this problem. Comprised of eight separate works, each based around the theme of "darkness and dread," the heart of the book is "The Rescuer," a page novella about a graduate student who is emotionally blackmailed by her distant parents into caring for a drug-abusing, HIV-infected brother living an hour away. Both siblings are academically-minded, their interests lying in ancient and indecipherable texts--a metaphor for their shared inability to translate and understand any aspect of their own lives, much less the old papers in front of them--but they are both weak and thoughtless, and in very little time the narrator has begun to compromise her ethics and common sense. By the end of the story she is no better than her brother, a internal devolution personified by the dragging of a dead body across town. The suggestion is clear: Similarly, when she introduces the men and women with whom her brother is entangled, their dialogue is annotated with apostrophes and heavy with slang, also to the point of unreadability--an indication of their lack of education and refinement, even morals. The professor, revealed only in flashbacks, speaks in clear, succinct sentences--the language of an educated man, it is suggested. The differences here are ones of color--the professor is white, Leander is not--and of perception, with the narrator believing herself safe in a world where others look and act just like her, despite the fact that predatorial relationships do not care about race, language, or location. This unrealized fact renders her a fool and dooms her to life beside her brother--a sinner who cannot escape the Inferno. Had "The Rescuer" been written by the Oates of the 50s and 70s, it would be an admirable, even groundbreaking look at how fear and prejudice affect the way we perceive others and plot our lives, and written in an era of civil unrest on top of that. Now, with its characters drawn from some otherworldly source and Oates half-committed to the whole idea, her company of men and women come off as stereotypes. Told from the point of view of a college professor--like Oates--whose heavy criticism has offended almost every one of her adult-education students, the story follows her on a particular night, when she is followed by a young black man while walking to her car. She fears for her safety and, at the same time, worries that this fear brands her as a racist. Instead of engaging in controversial ideas with a modern attitude and abandoning these old cliches, Oates is happy to drive the same tired highways over and over again, unwilling to seek out an exit to carry her far away from a place no longer able to support her. She has compromised her own skills, holding steadfast to what is comfortable and familiar--and safe--while ignoring the wilderness in the distance, someplace far from the false promises of academia and the false hopes of

rundown neighborhoods. In this way she becomes just like her characters:

*By tales of dirt and danger fondly thrilled. Glory of Women By Siegfried Sassoon About this Poet Siegfried Sassoon is best remembered for his angry and.*

This article includes explicit language and discussion of sexual violence. Of this, there can be no doubt. I call this a cooperative masterpiece because each artist is intrinsic to the power and effect of *Apocalypse Now*. I recently re-watched *Apocalypse Now*, and I came away with two pervasive questions running through my mind: This piece is my attempt to exorcise these considerations. The most apparent being, of course, the almost inescapable perception that the Vietnam War saw America involve itself in a fight against a native, civilian population, bringing with them vastly superior firepower and mechanisms. The scenes of brutality in *Apocalypse Now* are chilling visual echoes of the scenes Conrad portrayed. And it could, in both the Congo and Vietnam; acts could take place to the most extreme lengths and be gotten away with. The Manager is prophetic when he notes that the real danger is in Europe p. The Vietnam War provides an apt analogue to expose this theory of morals. Public opinion and support wavered when it was shown that atrocities were being committed in the name of protecting freedom and democracy. The realities do not marry with the myths propagated on home soil. Those committing atrocities during the war were also particularly open to this danger due to the introduction of war-correspondents, journalists and photographers to the battlefield, a relatively new phenomenon. Marlow, an outsider to the colonial mission and one who subscribes to civilised morality and codes of ethics, sees similar failures in the supposed civilising mission of the Congo: But from the outside perspective comes judgement and all claims to justification and morality becomes distorted. In *Heart of Darkness*, Marlow looks upon a map of Africa and sees it divided between various European states. The arbitrary nature of claims to land is shown as a bizarre and tragic folly. The French Colonialism is referenced more directly in the extended cut of the film, *Apocalypse Now Redux*, with a lengthy scene taking place on an old French Colonial base. As a contemporary viewer and reader, these works are also provided with an additional atmosphere of tragedy through our knowledge of the lasting effects of both events. The original artists would not have necessarily anticipated these effects, and certainly not been able to represent them in their respective limited spaces. The Congo states are still paying the price for the historical colonisation, and without wishing to stray too far into the political, they are still affected by modern monetary-imperialism and rushes for materials. The ivory of elephants is still seen by some as a valuable commodity, more so than the life of the beast that grows them. The use of napalm and Agent Orange in Vietnam has poisoned vast areas of land which can no longer be cultivated and large areas of jungle have considerably lower numbers of species than their non-sprayed counterparts. The psychological and physical damage done to thousands upon thousands of both American and Vietnamese people is something that cannot be ignored. This is the end, beautiful friend. The reasons for the song working so perfectly are multifarious, and below I will attempt to convey only a handful of thoughts as to what some of these reasons may be. I will also endeavour to include some of the parallels I feel exist between the song and *Heart of Darkness*. These parallels are mostly thematic, but I believe complementary to the experience of both. The song is forceful from the first listen, but the beauty and power of the lyrics really come to the forefront upon subsequent listens, with individual characters and voices emerging and adding though not necessarily clarifying the narrative. In my humble opinion, this song is the musical equivalent to T. I cannot help but also think of Dr. His words serve as a haunting summation of the effects of war, violence and the power of man against man, explored in all works here discussed: A few people laughed, a few people cried, most people were silent. I remembered the line from the Hindu scripture, the Bhagavad-Gita. For *Apocalypse Now*, this would be the solid first stepping foot into war, the napalm denying all innocence. It would not so easily apply to Captain Willard, as we know he has already been into combat, and his mental wounds are never hidden from us. The following verse furthers its claims of finality: It is interesting to consider whether these are ended for the individual as faith and innocence is destroyed, or whether we can consider this to be for society and civilisation as a whole. The tempo begins to pick up, as does the pace of thought. We are introduced to secondary figures as desperate

children, former symbols of pity and sympathy are distorted into omens and symbols of impending death and a remorseless future. The fragmentation becomes increasingly prevalent and intrusive. Morrison begins to develop a mystified tale, some sort of fable which mentions Kings, gold, and rivers, creating an ambiguous narrative reminiscent of El Dorado and tales of conquest. There is the sense in these lines that there is a mythical, abundant location that risks becoming a fixation. This is then interrupted, before this foreign wonderland can be fully appreciated, by the mantra: I believe there are two ways to interpret this. The abrupt, deeply spoken repeat is solemn, suggesting a reaffirmation in a time of difficulty, or a learnt mantra that cannot be escaped, or must be returned to for safety when overlooking scenes of difference or horror. Marlow, in the face of horror and seeing the truth, makes the choice a very important point, he chooses to lie to deceive. We now come to what I understand to be a perverted memory: Following this remembrance, we move into the famed and controversial Oedipal verse. The boots signify the killer as a warrior, a soldier and man of action. To kill, to serve militarily, is to take up the traditional mantle of hero and a natural position of power or self-control. In some discourse, it defines the man. Within the family homestead setting, we see recognition of genealogy and blood-lines and thus history and inheritance. No more can their existence continue. The closing lines of this verse are classical and symbolic, despite the controversy. We see the killer wanting to destroy the father, the authoritarian, the master, the colonel and part-creator. In effect, the super-ego: The claim which then follows, to engage in intercourse with the mother, is to want to return to innocence, childhood and nature, perverse as it may seem. This song was written in the midst of the Vietnam War, so there are obvious connections to draw. The images and stories that society receives from the war, just as Marlow was forced to see on his trip down the Congo, crack open these traditional and historical hero narratives, spilling forth confusion and mania. Here we see this confused and cracked reaction merged with an embodiment of one of these men taking up the heroic role. The individual who is simultaneously taking upon a traditional hero role and its antithesis by plunging into the depths of horror and violence, which reveals itself as the true reality of war. The lust of the flesh and the lust for blood. In society at large, these two actions are taboo despite their naturalistic occurrence. They are unsightly, possibly because they remind us what we are to a certain extent; they are the ugly and base and uncivilised within us. The actions seen particularly in *Apocalypse Now*, but also *Heart of Darkness* to a certain extent, show how this split between what is acceptable and what is not, is a knot of double-standards and double-think. For Kurtz, in both the novella and film, this dichotomy in society is seen, and the choice is made to sink into this realisation, rather than deny it as Marlow chooses to do in lying, and Willard chooses in completing his mission. WDL, 21st May I do not wish to risk straying into a perverse game of one-up-manship between the sides. It is made from fragments of his own poetry, which often revolved around certain images from his childhood. Morrison himself claimed that this song means different things to him each time it is performed.

### Chapter 7 : Dangers of Abandoned Mines | Abandoned Mine Land

*Entering the Library, dust and dirt covered the entire building. The books laying on the wooden table had long since been parceled up by a layer of dust. The Library looked more like a haunted house than a place in which people once lived.*

Many of the dangers posed by these sites are not visible from the outside. The mine opening known as a portal or adit may seem stable, but rotting timbers and unstable rock formations make cave-ins a real danger. The darkness and debris in old mines make it difficult to identify the hazards. These can be hundreds of feet deep. At the surface, openings can be hidden by vegetation, or covered by rotting boards or timbers. Inside old mines, shafts can be camouflaged by debris, or hidden by darkness in the mine. Explosives and toxic chemicals: Abandoned chemicals such as cyanide, arsenic, mercury and other deadly toxins may be present in leaking and deteriorating containers. Lethal concentrations of methane, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and hydrogen sulfide may accumulate in underground passages. Oxygen deficient air may cause suffocation. People have died within a few feet of mine openings. Impounded water may be highly alkaline or acidic resulting in skin burns, as well as deep and cold contributing to hypothermia. Spoils rock and dirt piles: These loose piles can collapse or slide, burying an unsuspecting victim. Abandoned surface structures and old mine equipment may collapse on bystanders. These are the excavated vertical cliffs in surface pits and quarries. They can be unstable and prone to collapse. Highwalls may not be visible from the top, presenting a danger to off-road drivers. Radon is a natural radioactive decay product, and is known to be a factor in some lung cancers. Radon can accumulate in high concentrations in poorly ventilated mines. Rattlesnakes, bears, mountain lions and other wildlife frequent old mine sites. There is no natural light inside mine workings. Many workings meander randomly because the miners who dug them followed an ore vein. It is easy to become lost and disoriented in a maze of mine workings, especially if lighting equipment fails. Mine fires create surface hazards in abandoned coal mine areas. As fires burn within the seam, fissures can open to the surface delivering deadly gases into the atmosphere. The area around the fissure may not be capable of supporting the weight of a human or vehicle, and may collapse into the burning coal or the mine void.

## Chapter 8 : Tales of Symphonia - Walkthrough

*Tales of Symphonia - Walkthrough follow the dirt path from the bridge until you arrive at a path leading Make sure you got Colette's darkness weapon, Evil Eye, before entering Flanoir. If.*

They are used for making figurines. Check the Side Quests section about the figurines. The black chest in Gaoracchia Forest is gone! What do I do now? Where do I get the Derris Emblem? In Welgaia, the second time you go there at the very end of the game. Have no fear, she will join you later at the Asgard Human Ranch. I returned to Izoold after exploring a bit, and Max is gone! How do I get to Palmacosta now? I did not get the Spiritua Statue! Walkthrough "Once upon a time, there existed a giant tree that was the source of all mana. Grieving over the loss, the goddess disappeared unto the heavens. The goddess left the angels with the edict: And that marked the beginning of the regeneration of the world. Colette, who is the Chosen One, will want to come along, but Raine tells everyone to stay in the classroom. You now take control of Lloyd. He will ask you to stay in the classroom like his sister said, and you can choose to go or to stay. Depending on your answer, some events will be different. If you choose the second answer instead, the priest will come to take Colette to the temple, but will die right in the classroom. Before leaving the school though, once Genis and Colette has joined your party, examine the hole in the wall at the left of the chalkboard so that Colette will obtain the title of Klutz. Frank will tell you that the Desians invaded the village and the villagers are hiding from them. You now have to go to the Martel Temple so head north. This time, press R to select the zombie and leave the ghost to Genis. Before going on, save your game at the save point Memory Circle just next to the school. Now you can leave town to the field.

Chapter 9 : theinnatdunvilla.com: Customer reviews: Tales of Dirt, Danger, and Darkness

*It's that time of year. Leaves line the sidewalks. Darkness tugs at the soul. A cold wind blows. Today, we present Tales of Terror, two stories from the most terrifying moments of our contributor's lives.*

She explains how leaves collect along it and rot, creating habitat for all manner of bugs, beetles, and amphibians, which mammals eat. I am lost in thought, imagining the stone wall at midnight â€” a busy highway of foraging raccoons, skunks, opossums, coyotes, foxes, minks, bobcats, and fisher cats â€” when I jerk my head up, startled by her next sentence. Fungi in the soil invade tree roots for their own benefit and, in doing so, create miles of network that link the roots of forest trees; they are the fiber optics of the forest, miles of dense web that trees use to exchange nutrients and information. Trees survive better together than they can on their own; it takes a forest to create the micro-climate trees need to prosper. Thus, pines and other conifers use the network of thin filaments created by fungi to exchange nutrients with oaks and maples. Simply speaking, in a forest, mutual support is more beneficial to trees than competition, and it is largely accomplished through the complex symbiosis between fungi and the roots of trees. The problem is that *Lumbricus terrestris*, the common night crawler, brought to this continent by European settlers who used soil as ballast in ships, has begun to colonize northeastern forests, eating most of the organic matter that fungi need to survive. When fungi die off, trees lose their ability to communicate and are greatly weakened. Even the towering oaks cannot survive. I hear the wind, a great whoosh through the trees. Yellow leaves clatter down through sunlight. Advertisement Formed in by a group of volunteers, the New Roxbury Land Trust named after the original settlers of Woodstock, Conn. Each of us benefits from protected land, whether we live near the land kept in trust or far from it. Keeping land open filters air and water supplies, absorbs carbon emissions, and protects wildlife habitats as well as farmland, critical for our national food supply. Get Today in Opinion in your inbox: Sign Up Thank you for signing up! Sign up for more newsletters here At the edge of a meadow, our guide stops with delight to show us a patch of lichen now growing on a stone wall. She explains how lichen can only grow in clean air â€” its hearty growth here demonstrates the impact of environmental regulation in the form of the Clean Air Act, which among other things, has dramatically reduced acid rain in the Northeast. We walk on, learning how to identify maples from oaks, shagbark from ash. We chew black birch twigs, which taste surprisingly like teaberry gum.