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**Various : Green Lantern: Hal Jordan Vol. 1** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Green Lantern: Hal Jordan Vol. 1:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Out was great to have both volume 1 and 2 together and ...By Corey a Sadler I had the original issues that I read to the point of them falling apart. Out was great to have both volume 1 and 2 together and is still a great story. This is the original "Emerald Dawn 1 2 that tells the origin story of Hal Jordan

getting the ring, meeting the Corps and training with Sinestro. A great story and I recommend it to any Hal Jordan Green Lantern fan. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Oh, man, people are gonna be MAAAAAD...! By Russ Burlingame When Ron Marz took over from Gerard Jones and started writing the monthly Green Lantern title at DC, it was clear that, more than anything else, DC was saying "What we're doing is not working, and we need to change bigtime." Ultimately, Marz turned the main character--one whose power was always derived from fearlessness and willpower--and drove him over the edge, making him into a crazed villain who killed his friends, his employers and ultimately took his power to the "next level" to become what would have been an ideal villain for his former heroic self. Ultimately the story was interesting and compelling, and Hal's new costume and new path were provocative and cool, but the fact remained that a man driven by willpower, didn't seem likely to crack so suddenly or so easily. Older readers didn't buy it, and the protests began almost immediately when, instead of following Hal on his new path, they introduced a new Green Lantern and left Hal untouched for six months (until the beginning of the "Zero Hour" crossover). It's for this reason that the book skirts a five-star rating; in spite of strong writing, great characterization, an introduction of one of DC's best new characters in Kyle Rayner and stunning art by Darryl Banks and Romeo Tanghal, it's just not a believable story. 22 of 25 people found the following review helpful. Bold Step... But Should Have Been Longer! By Edmund Lau Kok Ming "Emerald Twilight/New Dawn". This book reads like a weird nightmare. Everything is so crazy that it's almost unreal - like something in the back of your mind telling you that this just can't be happening! DC Comics took one real bold step with Hal Jordan in the early 1990s. They made him crazy and evil. Ever since the 1985-6 "Crisis on Infinite Earths", they have been killing off the Silver Age heroes and replacing them with new versions. Barry Allen was replaced by Wally West, Oliver Queen was replaced by Connor Hawke, Superman was (temporarily) replaced by FOUR new versions of the character (don't ask!), Batman was (also temporarily) replaced by Azrael and later Dick Grayson and finally Hal Jordan was replaced by Kyle Rayner (of which the tale is told in this volume). The most controversial of all the "replacements" and "revamps" was the Hal Jordan-Kyle Rayner thing. You see, all the other replacements were either temporary (Supes, Bats and even Green Arrow is now back) or the original died heroically (as in the case of Barry Allen). With Green Lantern, sales were so low that they needed a really HUGE event to shake things up - so they had Hal Jordan go crazy, slaughter all the other GLs, the Guardians, destroyed Oa and become a super-powerful cosmic villain called Parallax. Ron Marz, the original scripter of these tales (he's not the one really responsible for the whole thing - it was an editorial decision!), have been receiving death threats and insults from fans (mostly unreasonable) ever since. My reaction is like that of the other reviewer - WHY THE EXTREME REACTION? Granted, I like Hal Jordan a whole lot! Look, I even created a List on everything Hal! And after reading the recent Mark Waid penned "The Brave and the Bold" TPB, I too wished that Hal Jordan is still Green Lantern. But then, I like the evolution of the character even more. And I like the idea of Hal Jordan as Parallax (and now as the new Spectre). In short, I like change. And finally, I'm beginning to like the new GL, Kyle Rayner, a whole lot too. Now to the stories in this volume. They were previously collected in TWO separate volumes - "Emerald Twilight" and "A New Dawn". DC recently rereleased the two stories in one volume along with the "Emerald Dawn" and "The Road Back" volumes to form a series with a similar cover-design. Therefore, this current volume consists of issues 48 to 55 of the Green Lantern comics and includes an Afterword by Ron Marz. I rather enjoy the reading the story in one sitting (although I'd recommend reading "The Return of Superman" TPB before this one to understand the background behind Hal's descent into madness). My only complaint is that they should have made the "Emerald Twilight" story longer. It was a major milestone in a character's life and he only had THREE ISSUES? Then you have FIVE ISSUES of melodrama and soap opera with Kyle Rayner discovering his new powers as the new GL? The whole collection feels rather uneven because of this. The pacing for the first part is too fast and too crammed and the later part is too loose. Ron Marz's writing is passable and Kyle Rayner is still largely undeveloped in this volume. Get "Baptism of Fire" (the next volume) to see how Marz develops this new GL. The artwork is overall very good - especially the chapters by Darryl Banks and Bill Willingham. Finally, it's always great seeing another appearance by Alan Scott, the original Golden Age GL, giving some pointers to the new GL! This is an important milestone in the history of Green Lantern (possibly the most important in recent decades) and I'd recommend it seriously for everyone interested in the evolution of the GL mythos.

Classic stories of the greatest Green Lantern, Hal Jordan, are collected in this new edition for the first time ever! Only the fearless can be entrusted with a Green Lantern's power ring, the universe's most powerful weapon. When Abin Sur, the Green Lantern of Space Sector 2814, crash-landed on Earth, he knew it was time to pass the emerald mantle to a deserving human. After quickly studying billions of people, the ring selected test pilot Hal Jordan, who was busy making a mess of his life. Now gifted with an incredible trust, Jordan needs a crash course in both using the ring and what it means to be a Green Lantern. And he had better learn fast. Legion, the alien marauder who has already killed four Green Lanterns, has arrived on Earth to hunt down his fifth. Witness the beginning of Hal Jordan's heroic career post-Crisis on Infinite Earths, with legendary comics creators Gerard Jones, Keith Giffen, M.D. Bright and Romeo Tanghal, in GREEN LANTERN: EMERALD DAWN: HAL JORDAN VOL. 1, collecting GREEN LANTERN: EMERALD DAWN #1-6 and GREEN LANTERN: EMERALD DAWN II #1-6 for the first time in chronological

order.

About the Author Ron Marz is an American comic book writer who has worked with every major publisher in his near-20-year career. Marz is best known for his run on GREEN LANTERN, including the epic story Emerald Twilight. He has also written ION, TALES OF THE SINESTRO CORPS and BATMAN/ALIENS for DC Comics, as well as Witchblade and Cyberforce for Top Cow Comics.