

TWO DAYS AGO...

GOTHAM.

CITY OF DEATH AND REBIRTH. CITY OF A MILLION POSSIBILITIES.

WHO ARE YOU TRYIN' TO BE?

SOMETIMES YOU GET TO CHOOSE...

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WE ARE JOKERS

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...SOMETIMES IT MAKES THE CHOICE FOR YOU.

YOU HEAR ME, CHUCKLES? WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THE MAKEUP?

CHUCKLES? NAH, CLOSE THOUGH. NAME'S SMILEY.

WHATEVER, CHUCKLES. THIS IS OUR SQUAT, SO YOU'RE TRESPASSING.

LOOKS LIKE HE NEEDS TO PAY THE TOLL, P.

HE LOOKS LIKE THE JOKER.

SHUT UP, SMOKEY. I SEEN THE REAL THING ONCE, AND HE AIN'T IT.

HE LOOKS LIKE A RICH BOY.

THEY ALL BE WEARIN' MAKEUP NOW.

MADE A WRONG TURN SOMEWHERE, RICH BOY?



A WRONG TURN SOMEWHERE... RIIGHT.

NO, NO... **WRONG.**

ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT, LET ME GRAB MY WALLET.

GIVE US WHATEVER MONEY YOU GOT, RICHIE RICH, AND WE LET YOU LEAVE THROUGH THE **POOR** AND NOT THIS "WINDOW" HERE.

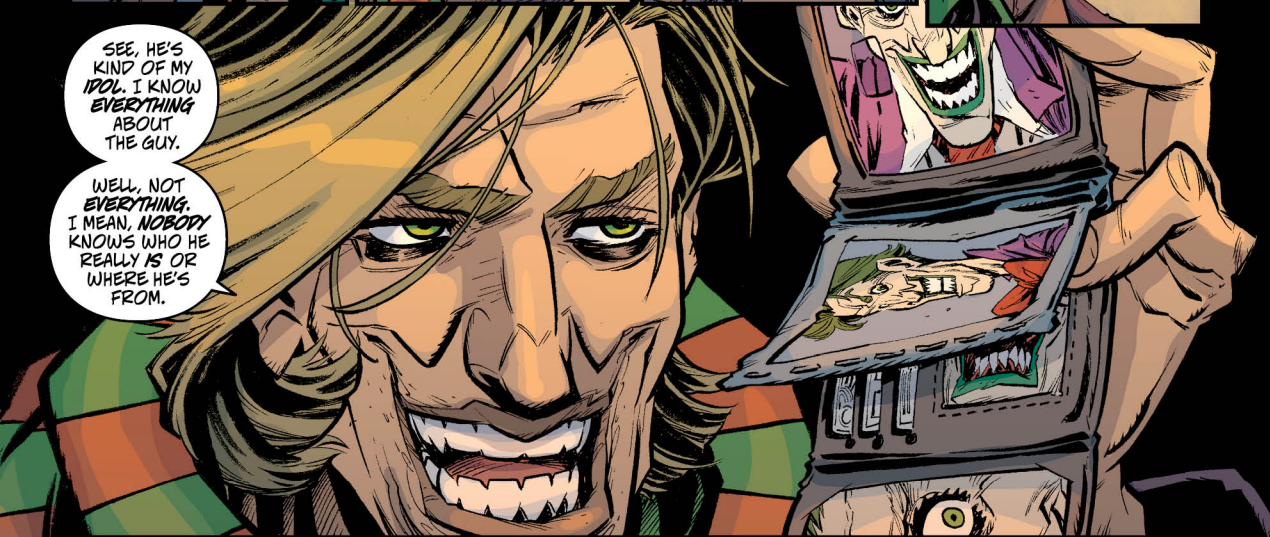


WHOA, WHOA... **SLOWLY, CHUCKLES.**



CHILL, MAN... JUST MY WALLET.

HEY, DID YOU MEAN WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT SEEING THE **JOKER?**



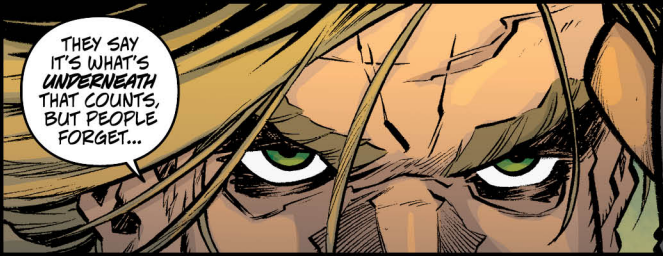
SEE, HE'S KIND OF MY **IDOL**. I KNOW **EVERYTHING** ABOUT THE GUY.

WELL, NOT **EVERYTHING**. I MEAN, **NOBODY** KNOWS WHO HE REALLY IS OR WHERE HE'S FROM.



I'D LIKE TO THINK I **UNDERSTAND** HIM, THOUGH.

I KNOW WHO HE IS UNDER THAT MAKEUP. LIKE, I KNOW HIS **SOUL**. HELPS WHEN YOU HAVE A FACE LIKE WE DO.



THEY SAY IT'S WHAT'S **UNDERNEATH** THAT COUNTS, BUT PEOPLE FORGET...



...WHAT'S INSIDE STILL HAS TO PASS THROUGH THE TWISTED SURFACE TO GET OUT.

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THIS GUN... IT'S GOOD AT SEEING WHAT'S ON THE INSIDE.

A COUPLE DAYS AGO, I SAW WHAT WAS INSIDE MY PARENTS. SAW IT ALL OVER THE KITCHEN FLOOR.

YOU... YOU THINK WE BELIEVE YOU?

YOU SHOULD. I'M ALL OVER THE NEWS. HELL, I'M THE MOST WANTED MAN IN GOTHAM RIGHT NOW.

WAIT... I HEARD ABOUT YOU. SHOT YOUR PARENTS DEAD, RIGHT?

WHATEVER MAN, EVERYBODY WANNA BE FAMOUS THESE DAYS.

DON'T WANNA BE FAMOUS. JUST LOOKING FOR SOME LIKE-MINDED SOULS WHO WANT TO HAVE SOME REAL FUN.

YOU KNOW WHAT FUN IS? NO?



LEMME SHOW YOU!

CRACK



THWACK
THWACK
THWACK



NAAA
AH-AH!
WASN'T FINISHED.



FUN ISN'T TAKING MONEY FROM PEOPLE OR TRYING TO BE A BIG SHOT.



IT ISN'T HOLDING ON TO SOME PATHETIC, CRUMBLING PIECE OF THIS CITY AND CLAIMING IT AS YOURS...



...IT'S HURTING PEOPLE AND THEM NEVER KNOWING WHY.

WANT TO HAVE SOME FUN?