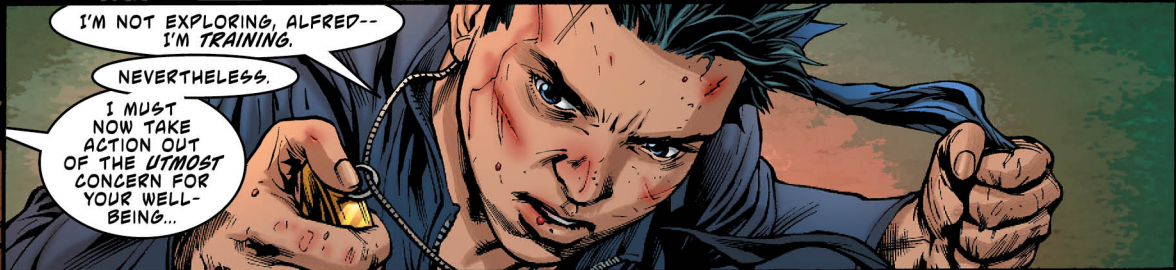
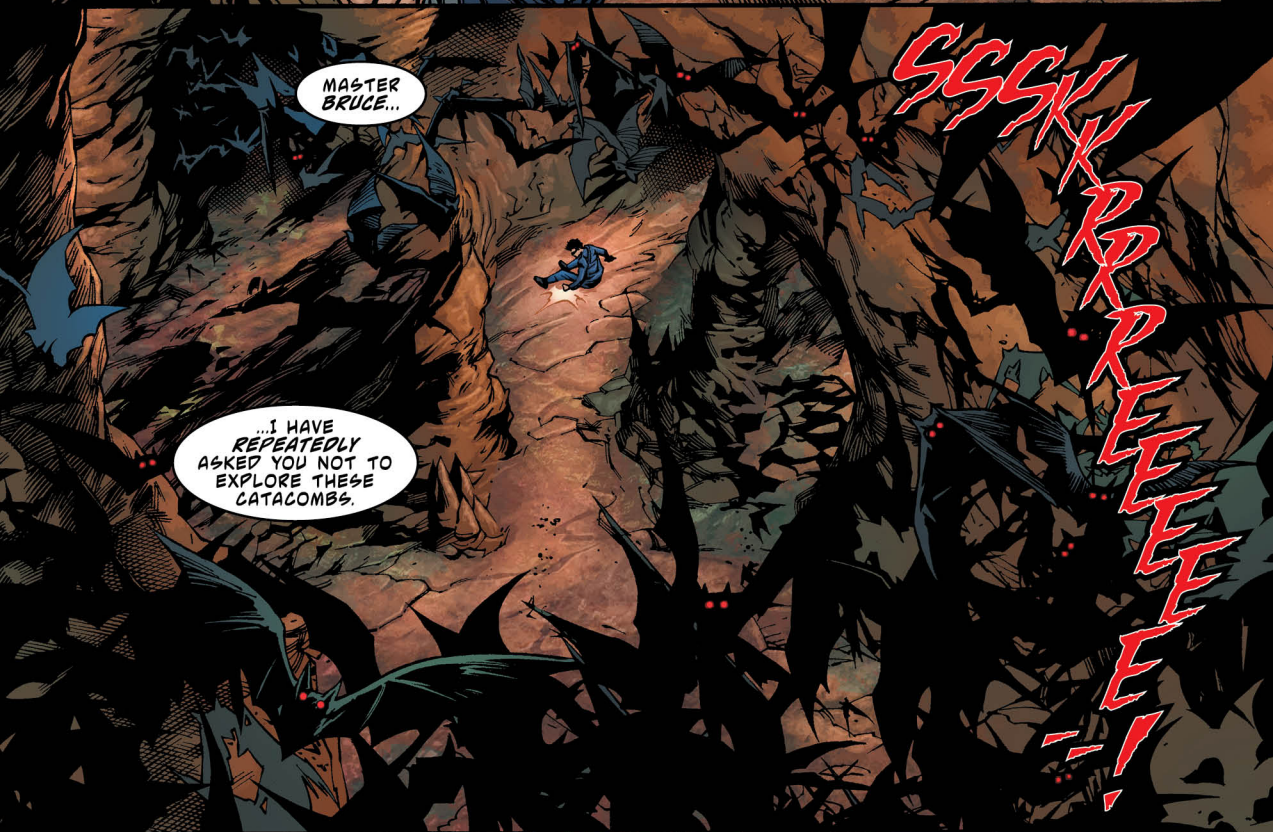
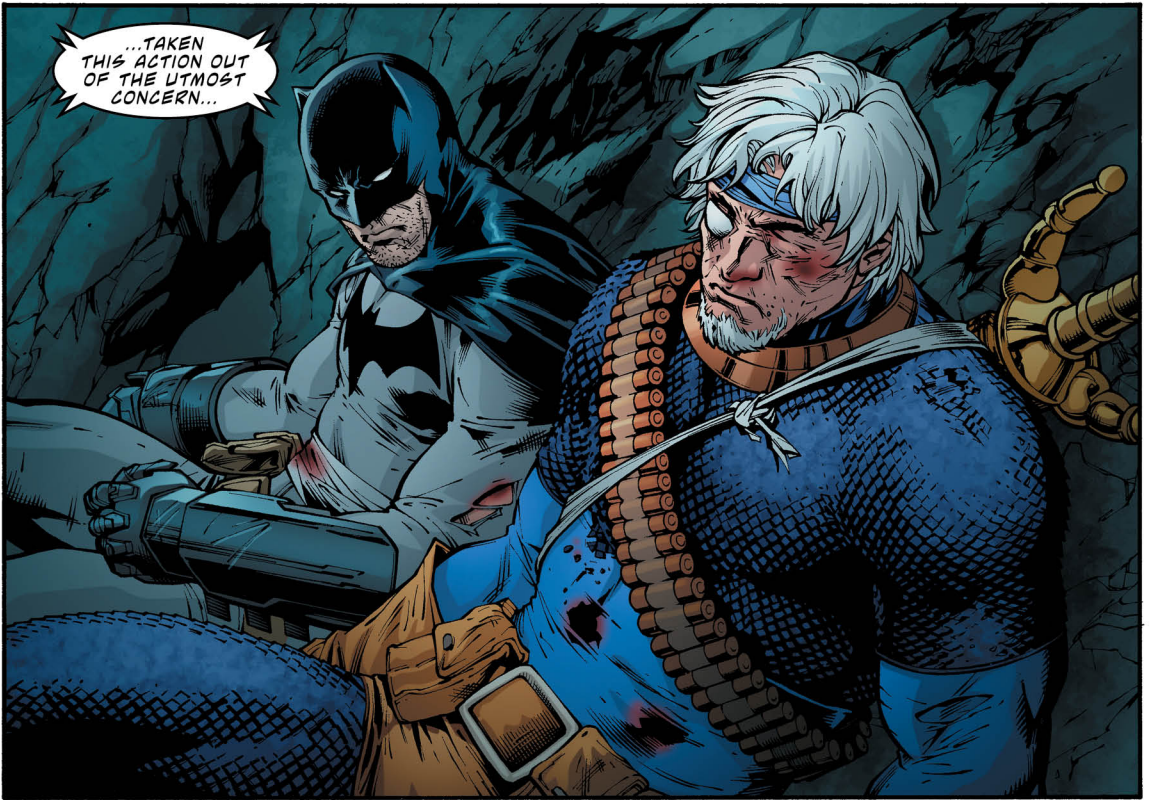




"The Utmost Concern"  
DECADES BEFORE







...SON OF A...



KAAP



...TAKEN THIS ACTION OUT OF THE UTMOST CONCERN...



BAAK

YOU BOTH BEGAN YOUR RESPECTIVE MISSIONS WITH THE BEST OF INTENTIONS--



KAAP

BUT YOU'RE NOW BEHAVING LIKE BLOODY LUNATICS.



YEARROGH!

WHAACK!





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