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Robert Kirkman : Invincible: The Ultimate Collection Volume 8 (Invincible Ultimate Collection) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Invincible: The Ultimate Collection Volume 8 (Invincible Ultimate Collection):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. More great superhero stories, if you like comics, you'll love thisBy Kid KyotoIn volume 8 of the Invincible Ultimate Collection our hero has to face the consequences of the deal he made

in volume 7 as the deal is exposed to his allies in both the Coalition of Planets and on Earth. Meanwhile we learn what happened to Robot and Monster Girl during their time in another dimension. Oh and we get a new Invincible too! I've said before Invincible is the best superhero comic of the 2000s and 2010s and it still holds true. Kirkman manages to tell a classic superhero story while avoiding cliches and including just enough realism to add power to the story but not so much that the whole structure collapses. I picked this up one lazy morning thinking I'd read the first story. Two hours later I'd finished the whole book and not put it down once. It's really good. Kirkman has built up his own sprawling family of characters and comics but manages to quickly bring them in and recap so I never feel lost when someone like Bulletproof or the Brit wanders in. The art by Ryan Ottley remains colorful and clear but with expressive faces and powerful action. He's a bit too fond of 2 page spreads, even when nothing calls for it, but I can live with that flaw. Invincible co-creator Cory Walker also returns to illustrate an on-going subplot and does a great job. So yeah, pick this up, if you've not read Invincible go get volume 1 and start there, it's been a very strong series from day 1. 10 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Superb! By Axel This is another superb collection of stories by the ever dependable and consistently excellent team of Kirkman, Ottley and Walker. In fact, due to the inclusion of Walker for several issues, this might be one of the most enjoyable collections of Invincible yet for the excellent art alone. In volume 8, we're essentially treated to 3 main stories. The first two issues involve Nolan and Oliver back on Telescria and are drawn by Walker. Those two issues lead directly into the second main story in which Allen the Alien makes a fateful decision concerning the remaining Viltrumites left on Earth, and the results prove tragic and life altering for our hero Mark. Deprived of his powers, a new hero assumes the mantle of Invincible from Mark, but this one hides some dark and terrifying secrets. The third story is split between Ottley drawing the Earth sequences while Walker draws the sequences of Robot and Monster girl in the Flaxan dimension, and involves an immensely entertaining tale of what exactly transpired between the two while they were "exiled" in that dimension for several months. As usual, nearly every chapter provides an almost perfect balance of humor, action, sensuality, pathos and adventure. In the process, the team produces some of the best, most entertaining science fiction superhero stories being published today. The stories have a vitality and energy that is unmistakable, and the art in this book is just gorgeous to look at. The colors are amazing. The characters are well developed and incredibly likeable, and the series has lost none of its unpredictability. Perhaps my one minor gripe is that, as the book has gotten to be about larger themes, and the action has become more and more relentless, the later volumes of Invincible have lost some of the element of Mark as a teenager growing up with powers while dealing with the every day challenges of life. This was one of the more successful and enjoyable aspects of volumes 23 especially, but to be honest, Invincible has been moving on to other things ever since Mark quit college to focus on superheroics full time. It's a very minor complaint that frankly, shouldn't be taken to mean any dissatisfaction with the series at all. It's merely an observation that, as the series has progressed, it has morphed into more than a story about a boy with special abilities trying to grow up. Ironically, it's also a compliment about the incredibly exciting pace of the storytelling. There's so much happening in every issue, and the series is so compelling with its large cast of characters and constant intrigue, that it's breathtaking. Kirkman also continues to make Invincible a book about responsibility, and the moral weight of being a "superhero" which gives the series a level of gravitas, despite its fantastic elements. Creatively, Invincible is also Kirkman's strongest work as well, far surpassing his other genre defining efforts in the Walking Dead. The volume itself is precisely the same quality as previous volumes in the series. With oversized quality pages, nice hardcovers and great dust jackets, these volumes are fantastic value for money, specially at the price. As usual, the volume also contains loads of "DVD like extras" at the back, with a sketch and commentary section with the three main creators, showing off the process for creating certain pages, characters, and designs, etc. The commentary sections involve quite a bit of backslapping and inner circle praise, but all of it is done with tongue firmly planted in cheek and for the sake of fun. I can't recommend this book enough. This is just great comics! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Invincible: the Ultimate Collection is still ultimate! By KEVIN HILL This volume includes tons of revelations about Invincible, the Viltrumites, Robot and Monster Girl as well as the usual overly bloody battles that you come to expect from Invincible. We even get a new Invincible when Mark loses his powers. One of the things that I like about Invincible is the realistic way that super powers are displayed. You see the effect of someone trying to slice a being of Superman level invulnerability wide open and the after effects of such stupidity. It's not pretty! Overall another great volume in one of the best comics being produced today!

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