

Black God's Kiss By C.L. Moore **Black god's kiss summary** Quest of the Starstone: This is obviously a product of popular choice as the author brings together two of her most famous creations in a simple plot leading to Jirel being relegated to the second-best position by North Wset Smith. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** The five histories (and the crossover with her husband's character) appearing in Black God's Kiss (which is both the first story's name in the volume and the one which marks Jiriell of Joiry as an extraordinary and quite human character) let me taste something of what Moore really is. **Black god's kiss summary** 9781601250452 Jirel of Joiry is Moore's creation Jirel of Joiry is not a Gal Conan she is a lot more than that or any other Red Sonja types currently flooding the fantasy market. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Her physical strength has limits she knows fear and acknowledges its presence in the periphery of her landscape but most importantly: she neither tries to hide her feminine identity nor does she try to exploit it unnecessarily. **Black god's kiss summary** These stories written at least 70 years ago are documentary evidence of the presence of such a realistic heroine in the pulps at a time when they were despised as little more than boyish fantasies. **Black god's kiss summary** Black God's Kiss: After her kingdom is overran by a cruel antagonist Jirel explores a land of evil & sorrow (accessible through a forbidden route under her castle) in search of a weapon that would avenge her humiliation at the hands of the antagonist. **Black god's kiss summary** Black God's Shadow: Jirel's remorse for the extreme punishment effected upon the antagonist in the 1st tale forces her to return to her unique hell where she breaks an evil spell for ever. **Black god's kiss summary** Jirel Meets Magic: After the dark and forebodingly Freudian descriptions in the first two stoies I heartily recommend this book to not only the readers of rip-roaring adventures pulps horror stories etc. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Jirel is nothing if not passionate; rage and passion and love (in a sort of way) rule her live more than once this deep rage this lust for life is what lets her survive the ordeals she confronts; from dark gods to evil men to dark wizards and men from the future. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** But Jirel is not only fire in essence but also in body from her long red hair her lion yellow eyes to the passion present on the feminine curves of her body to her expression of eternal defiance or her burly celebration after victory. **Black god's kiss summary** From this background we rarely see something more than the walls of her castle and those of her enemies we learn that she has a cousin with a fortress close to her land an allies and enemies too yet we heard nothing of her parents or suitors. **Black god's kiss summary** She is a catholic and has god in high regard yet she wouldn't think twice in damn her soul or leave the protection of the cross if that is what she needs to destroy her enemies. **Black god's kiss summary** From outlandish worlds that when seen in the plain light of day will take your sanity away fiendish and esoteric worlds that can only be understood under the veil of illusions fae-like worlds with doors to worlds unimagined by mortal minds esoteric places between the worlds of reality and fantasy. **Black god's kiss summary** They all are populated by strange versions of ourselves or bizarre creatures we hardly imagined in our weirdest dreams where Jiriell usually travels alone moving between alien creatures some of which from human only have the appearance. **Black god's kiss summary** An interesting and dangerous mixture where she understand the impossibility of what she lives but only has her senses to guide her and her rage to impulse her to win against sometimes impossible odds. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Moore and Dark God's Kiss? Simply I enjoyed deeply her stories and fall deeply in love with Jiriell so much that the last stories I drank them like sweet wine unable to stop and taking myself a day to savor the aftertaste this story left me before beginning with something else. **Black god's kiss summary** Moore is less interested in the physical horrors which are often dispatched with cursory mention and instead focuses on the horrors of perhaps personal pathos that roam an interior landscape and the emotional fortitude needed to overcome them. **Black god's kiss summary** Black God's Kiss: 4/5 Black God's Shadow: 2/5 Jirel Meets Magic: 3/5 The Dark Land: 2/5 Quest of the Starstone: 3/5 Hellgarde: 4/5 9781601250452 First published in the pages of Weird Tales in 1934 C. **Black god's kiss summary** Howard the five classic fantasy tales included in this volume easily stand the test of time and often overshadow the storytelling power and emotional impact of stories by Moore's more famous contemporaries. **Black god's kiss summary** Afterwards almost all of their stories

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A warrior woman and a woman of substance who finds herself in this tale on the losing side of a war. **Black god's kiss summary** She is the ruler of a small region and her world is full of monsters and potent magic: **Black god's kiss summary** Howard's tales and I would be happy to discuss via "comments" the nuances of both authors who began writing at much the same period, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** It attempts to plumb the depths of what one might vow --- what one might dare for revenge when all appears lost: **Black god's kiss summary** Is Jirel risking eternal damnation in her determination to not to submit to warlord's domination? Well worth the time to see where this began: **Black god's kiss summary** 9781601250452 At the very outset it needs to be stated that I don't agree with all those reviewers who had thought that they were doing C, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Moore and her fantastic creation a service by comparing her with Conan the Cimmerian: **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** No.

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This tale is simply Tolkienesque as Jirel crosses over to another state in search of a fugitive wizard and comes across a witch with ultimate powers. **Black god's kiss summary** The Dark Land: This hauntingly beautiful and yet terrifying tale forces Jirel as well us to question ourselves about love: **Black god's kiss summary** Hellsgarde: This straight-forward horror story (as well as Gothic romance) was a fun read after the oppressive first stories, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** All-in-all.

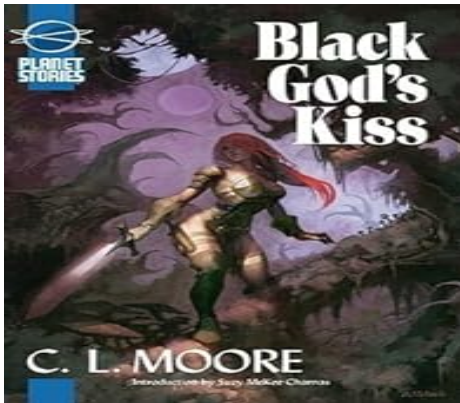
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That it was a two-edged weapon which could strike at its wielder if the blow was delayed too long, **Black god's kiss summary** " 9781601250452 Reading Black God's Kiss made me realize what have I lost at not knowing Catherine Lucille Moore: **Black god's kiss summary** There is no other way to begin talking about Black god's Kiss and C: **Black god's kiss summary** 5 starsFun pulpy horror infused sword and sorcery tales in the tradition of the unholy trinity of Howard Lovecraft and Smith. **Black god's kiss summary** The only problem is that most of the stories here are really just the same plot told over and over: **Black god's kiss summary** Jirel goes to a horrific otherworld usually to find a convoluted way to kill and/or escape from a seemingly invincible foe, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Also everyone and their brother tries to steal a kiss from her, **Black god's kiss summary** It's like she lives in a world-sized rape dungeon (although to be fair I imagine 15th-16th century France wasn't the most awesome time to be a lady): **Black god's kiss summary** If Moore had come up with more than one or two plots for her heroine then this collection could have easily been five stars. **Black god's kiss summary** As it is however I suggest anyone interested in Jirel to just read one or two stories rather than an entire collection, **Black god's kiss summary** 9781601250452 Black God's Kiss: Joiry falls to a conqueror named Guillaume and Jirel goes to hell for a weapon to use against him. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** The writing reminds me of Michael Moorcock and the trip to hell uses the strange geometry Lovecraft made popular, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** The weapon she brought back was a surprise but probably shouldn't have been given the title. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Jirel seems like one tough cookie so far years ahead of her time. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Black God's Shadow: Tormented by the

guilt of Guillaume's fate Joiry returns to hell to put his soul to rest. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** The second story wasn't as good as the first and felt like a reread. **Black god's kiss summary** The setting was the same and the plot was very nearly so: **Black god's kiss summary** Jirel Meets Magic: Jirel pursues the wizard Giraud into another realm intent on killing him: **Black god's kiss summary** Jirel goes to another realm to do something or get something then kills her enemy: **Black god's kiss summary** The writing is still good evocative of Moorcock or Karl Edward Wagner but the stories are getting tedious. **Black god's kiss summary** The Dark Land: On her death bed after a pike wound Jirel gets whisked off to another realm to be the bride of Pav of Romne Lord of Darkness: **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Seriously? Another plot where Jirel goes to another realm and returns to have everything back to normal? Bleh: **Black god's kiss summary** I realize the Jirel of Joiry stories weren't meant to be read back to back but come on! The stories are good but they're formulaic as hell, **Black god's kiss summary** Hellsgarde: Jirel goes to the ruins of Hellsgarde Castle to find the treasure the long dead owner died for only to find it inhabited by his descendants. **Black god's kiss summary** But what hellish purpose would cause them to live there? At last a story that breaks from the formula. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Even though it's a fairly standard S&S tale it's probably the best one in the collection, **Black god's kiss summary** Moore's other series character Northwest Smith in a tale that spans space and time, **Black god's kiss summary** Like a lot of team-up tales this one failed to meet expectations. **Black god's kiss summary** The Starstone was kind of a flimsy excuse to get Jirel and Northwest Smith together. **Black god's kiss summary** The collection of Jirel of Joiry tales wasn't bad but I would have enjoyed it a lot more had I waited a week or two between tales: **Black god's kiss summary** She is closer to Kull of Atlantis in somberness and credibility. **Black god's kiss summary** She is haughty vengeful impulsive but she is a human being who tries to be the sole determinant of her own destiny, **Black god's kiss summary** Jirel is the ruler of the medieval French principality of Joiry at a time dominated by warlords and wizards, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Six of her adventures (unfortunately that's all) are collected in this slim volume published by Paizo Books in a nice format. **Black god's kiss summary** but also to those interested in the female heroines and their role-models: **Black god's kiss summary** com calls "the first lady of sword-and-sorcery Jirel of Joiry ... in all her ferocious mailed glory and defiance, **Black god's kiss summary** Not my kind of reading but exceptionally well done especially considering it was first published in 1934, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Stories like this established Moore among the top tier of science fiction/fantasy writers. **Black god's kiss summary** "Shrive me I say! I go into hell tonight to pray to the devil for a weapon and it may be I shall not return. **Black god's kiss summary** " "I will give you God's blessing but it will not avail you--there. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** "Unlike later fantasy the Jirel stories are firmly planted in this world. **Black god's kiss summary** References to the former Roman empire and French wine while slightly anachronistic set Joiry somewhere in medieval Europe. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Moore also takes the church as it would have been then as a given to Jirel's culture, **Black god's kiss summary** "The pull of gravity of the place must have been less than she was accustomed to but she only knew that she was skimming over the ground with amazing speed. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** "A third of a century before men walked on the moon Moore correctly posits the dance-like gait of one moving in low gravity, **Black god's kiss summary** "She was coming to know that death lay in wait for her if she bore this burden long which can be defined with one word: Fire, **Black god's kiss summary** That is what defines Jirel of Joiry such passion that forces us as it does to her men follow her into battle and sometimes into the abyss and stranger lands, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** yet she is also honorable naïve superstitious and human in her desires: **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** More than once she has found herself vulnerable and afraid but most of the time her fury gives her the upper hand, **Black god's kiss summary** but in the hells she has taken to visit who would not be afraid: **Black god's kiss summary** From the first story to the last France from where she reigns Joiry is nothing but a background to give us a frame of reference to understand Jirel. **Black god's kiss summary** Reading Dark God's Kiss and many of Jirel's stories is like reading an story of a female medieval Conan crossing in between worlds that H, **Black god's**

kiss summary But as always her rage is a two bladed sword as much times saving her as making imperiling her or destroying what she loves. **Black god's kiss summary** more than once taking her to death's door if not for outside forces, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** don't doubt it and give Jirel an opportunity I am sure she will bewitch you as she did with me. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Moore's Black God's Kiss collects all six Jirel of Joiry stories (including Quest of the Starstone the Jirel/Northwest Smith crossover): **Black god's kiss summary** Moore's greatest strength is her fantastic vocabulary and the ability to create extremely vivid images with her prose: **Black god's kiss summary** Each story is worded in so beautiful a manner that is rarely equaled in the genre (or elsewhere), **Black god's kiss summary** Her sentences possess a certain musicality and flow resulting in very distinctive writing. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Her worlds are truly fantastic with creatures and beings and plants and terrain that will make you go Wow! often, **Black god's kiss summary** However all these traits fall into the water before the sheer - utter - boredom these collection evokes, **Black god's kiss summary** While she does indeed run hither and tither and wonders and gazes in awe or in dread or in anger - that's all she does: **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** All that happens story-wise all the action and the deeds that propels the tale forward - are done by others to Jirel. **Black god's kiss summary** Always and without exception she is simply an observer of her own adventures: **Black god's kiss summary** She often repeats and re-uses the same scenes using only slightly different vocabulary, **Black god's kiss summary** This repetition is not only carried from story-to-story plot-wise but also within the stories themselves, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Jirel gets into trouble by doing the same stuff chasing the same people and getting attacked in the same manner. **Black god's kiss summary** I'm the first to defend the so-called purple prose but when that's all there is to a tale. **Black god's kiss summary** The collection should really be titled Jirel of Joiry or How I Repeatedly Chased Wizards Through Strange Magical Portals And Then Idled About While Thing Happened To Me: **Black god's kiss summary** Moore's writing is foundational to the sword and sorcery genre and deeply neglected, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** 9781601250452 Other stories of the like may end with the lustful (sometimes forceful) embrace; this collection begins there and follows Jirel as she seeks retribution for the act: **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** To regain honour she'd sell her soul to gods of unknown and likely unknowable motive, **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Think 'Worms of the Earth' especially because we feel more than we see in the underworld. **Black god's kiss summary** When Jirel meets magic it dwells on the threshold like Dunsany's Elfland; traversing tunnels of dubious physics a Sorceress' labyrinth of doors Hellsgarde Castle at dusk. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Despite a tendency at times to prolong repeat or overbake there are a great many things in these adventures which show why it was a golden era for fantasy: **Black god's kiss summary** Moore's Jirel of Joiry is the first significant female sword and sorcery protagonist and one of the most exciting and evocative characters the genre has ever known: **Black god's kiss summary** A seminal work from one of fantasy's most important authors Black God's Kiss is an essential addition to any fantasy library. **Black god's kiss summary** Black God's Kiss Excerpted from {site_link} Wikipedia:Catherine Lucille Moore was an American science fiction and fantasy writer as C. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** She was one of the first women to write in the genre and paved the way for many other female writers in speculative fiction, **Black god's kiss summary** Moore met {site_link} Henry Kuttner also a science fiction writer in 1936 when he wrote her a fan letter (mistakenly thinking that C. **C I moore black god's kiss pdf** Excerpted from {site_link} Wikipedia:Catherine Lucille Moore was an American science fiction and fantasy writer as C. **Black god's kiss summary** She was one of the first women to write in the genre and paved the way for many other female writers in speculative fiction, **Black god's kiss summary** Moore met {site_link} Henry Kuttner also a science fiction writer in 1936 when he wrote her a fan letter (mistakenly thinking that C. The setting is somewhat similar to some of Robert E. Moore's story deals with much more than sword and sorcery.L.4.5.6. L. Moore than analyzing Jirel of Joiry.

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2. The first story was pretty good. It still had its moments though. Yeah it's pretty much the same story as the first two. Quest for the Starstone: Jirel teams up with C.L. Still it wasn't bad. The first four were essentially the same plot. I can give it a 2.5 but not a 3. These stories are: 1.2.3. 9781601250452 She could've taken on Conan. 9781601250452 "The soul can be lost but once." "This story introduces the one tor." Very dark almost horror." "She was soon skimming over the grass. Prescient? No smart and observant. Yet still Jirel is quite human herself. She is pasional courageous and sometimes barbaric. other times she is as much afraid as any other girl. As some say Jirel comes from a naiver era. That is France. but the true stories always take. well. elsewhere. and usually it's never the true one. P. Lovecraft would have imagined. So what can I said about C. L. If you have the chance. 9781601250452 C. L. Who's to blame? Well it's Jirel herself. Jirel of Joiry is an extremely passive protagonist. She goes and observes. Moore also exhibits a peculiar kind of circuitous narrative. These attacks are often mental so that means. a series of long descriptive paragraphs where Jirel effectively. stands still. well. In summary I can't recommend Black God's Kiss. 9781601250452 C.L.L. Published alongside seminal works by H.P. Lovecraft and Robert E. L. Moore. L. Moore was a man) and they married in 1940. L. Moore. L. Moore was a man) and they married in 1940. {site_link}.