



Dark Brings Safety, Light Is Fear (And Other Batman Poems/ Songs)

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First chapter: A poem about Batman and his Rogues. Dark is not always evil, while light is not always good.

42nd published work - the answer to Life, The Universe, And Everything (but what is the question?)

Chapter 1: Dark Brings Safety, Light Is Fear

Any Rogues you want me to add?

One of darkness

Wings spread wide

Where he searches

None can hide

('Vengeance!' he cries

To empty skies

Good at heart

A world apart)

One of laughter

Poisoned mirth

For ever after

He walks the earth

(Batsy, won't you

Come and play?

Batsy won't you

Make my day?)

One of nature
No, just plants
Animals, fauna
Mere annoyance

(Into the earth
One way she went
Out of the earth
Her care all spent)

One with freezing
Heart of stone
Crosses lines
All alone

(My dear, my sweet
My love so true
If it destroys me
I'll save you)

One with purr
And flashing claw
For fairness' sake
She'll break the law

(So shiny, Brucie
Just for we?
Yes, but I can't
Stop being me)

One of birdsong
He hears their call
One at the top
He had a fall

(Waddle, squawk
Still human, alone
Splash, cawcaw
But is that known?)

One of fear

Broken soul
Never care
That's his rule

(Boo! He screams
So you don't see
The broken mind
That once was he)

One, no two
A flip of silver, damaged disk
Decides your fate
50/50, is the risk

('No!' he yells
'Yes!' he'll rebuke
The things he does
Make him puke)

One of questions
Answers, facts
He always wins
If not, attacks

(I didn't - did - cheat
I never - always - lie
I'm not believed
Yet I'll still try)

One of madness
Literature
He'll chase his Alice
Forever

(The man is gone
Sound mind no more
The Hatter stands
Where he was before)

Welcome to Gotham
A city where
Dark is safety

Light brings fear

*(Laughter, riddles, flipping coin
Games and stories, poetry
Have no place in gloomy Gotham
Except in supervillainry)*

Chapter 2: Stuck In My Game (Riddler's Anthem)

Riddle me this, come and join my game
Riddle me that, you'll never be the same

You dare to question my genius?
Well then, simpleton, riddle me this!

Who? Well that's the Enigma, isn't it?

Where? Wherever nothing else can be

What? A simple test of your intellect

How? With a dash of Mister E

Why? Because (I must) it's fun, of course!

So what do you say? Will you take a guess?
(Ha, as if you have a choice)

Too dumb to even form a hypothesis?
(Is that a stutter in your voice?)

We're getting closer to the end
You must know you cannot win

It's like music, the sound of your panicked feet
Running through my maze

You think that you can get away with a cheat
But nothing escapes my gaze

You lose, bringing the boredom that's ever my plight

(Riddle me this...)

When he comes from a shadow, like the living night

(Riddle me that...)

I grin as my true opponent shows up to fight

(Who's afraid...)

He's left screaming as I take my flight

(Of the big bad Bat?)

He's stuck in my maze, let the game begin!

I bid him adieu with a tip of my hat

I scream in frustration as he cheats to win

(Because I know he's smarter than that)

— end of "Dark Brings Safety, Light Is Fear (And Other Batman Poems/Songs)" —