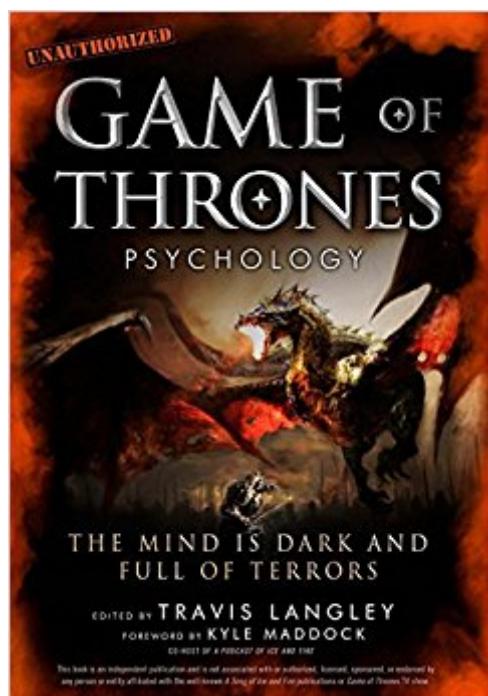


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# Game Of Thrones Psychology: The Mind Is Dark And Full Of Terrors



## Synopsis

Insight is coming! This thought-provoking anthology offers a close examination of the psychology behind the intricate narrative and compelling characters in author George R.R. Martin's best-selling work, *A Song of Ice and Fire*, and the the popular HBO TV series based upon his books, *A Game of Thrones*. In Martin's richly detailed world, deceit, manipulation, and greed rule the day, and almost everyone fights for power over the realm or simply over their own lives. How do love and hate, good evil, need and greed, altruism and narcissism drive the very best and very worst human behaviors? With no moral boundaries honored, the psychological games played by the series' conniving protagonists are seemingly limitless. *Game of Thrones Psychology: The Mind is Dark and Full of Terrors* explores motivations, relations, personality disorders, psychopathy, trauma, and much more. What kind of person can survive the game of thrones, much less hope to win? Contributors include: Colt J. Blunt \* Jenna Busch \* Josu Cardona \* Erin Currie \* William Blake Erickson \* Wind Goodfriend \* Jonathan Hetterly \* Stephen Hupp \* Mark Caldwell Jones \* Lara Taylor Kester \* Dana Klisanin \* Travis Langley \* Jordan Gaines Lewis \* Martin Lloyd \* Kyle Maddock \* Patrick O'Connor \* Janina Scarlet \* Jay Scarlet \* Laura Vecchiolla \* Dave Verhaagen \* Dawn R. Weatherford

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I love the Song of Ice and Fire series and I love psychology, so this book was a win for me. It teaches basic psychology points and then uses Game of Throne references to back them up and explain them. I do not believe it is as strong as his other books though, as Travis does not seem to be as knowledgeable about Song of Ice and Fire as he is his other books.

I'm enjoying the book, so far. I think that if the authors waited, some, they'd have more to work with. Viserys and his influence on Daenerys - even the mad king's influence! Cersei inheriting alcoholism from her husband. I'm hoping to find something about Jorah Mormont's devotion to Daenerys - unrequited love.

Thanks

Loved this book, especially the chapter about post-traumatic growth, it definitely makes GoT fans see why they can have a huge connection with the characters and how easily we can relate to them, despite the fictional setting.

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