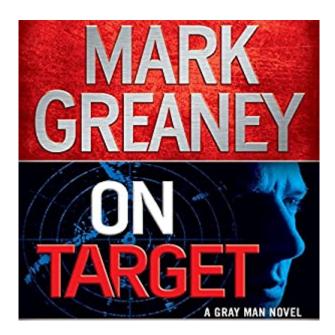


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On Target: A Gray Man Novel





Synopsis

Court Gentry, aka the Gray Man, is back - and once again on the run from old friends and foes. Four years ago, Gentry was betrayed by his handlers in the CIA. Now, an old comrade, Russian arms merchant Sidorenko, returns to force him on a mission against his will: kill Sudan's President Abboud, the supposed trigger for the Darfur genocide. But the CIA has its own plans for Abboud. With his ruthless employers on one side, his blackmailing former friends on the other, and a doomed mission ahead, Gentry would kill just to get out of this one alive. Every bit as thrilling, informed, and addictive as The Gray Man, and once again skillfully narrated by Jay Snyder, On Target is sure to hit the mark for thriller fans.

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Customer Reviews

On Target is the 2nd offering in Mark Greaney's Gray Man series. The Gray Man is a former CIA uber-assassin who was cut loose with a kill order for unknown reasons. He has adopted a mercenary for hire persona, but will only take on jobs where he feels some sense of moral and cosmic justice are in order. While he was in the employ of major corporation after book 1, we find him now working for a Russian mobster and is tasked with killing an African despot for the Russian government. The CIA intrudes and offers him reconciliation if instead he can kidnap the despot for US delivery to the Hague for prosecution. Never staying on task and sticking to the plan, the Gray Man goes rogue on all sides, while the CIA squad for the kidnapping extraction gets overwhelmed. After double crossing the Russians, the CIA changes its mind and wants the despot killed, but the Gray Man attempts an end run to stop a civil war. In the end, he fails his objective and is once again on the run with everyone upset and hunting him. Tradecraft emphasizes more the action than the spy elements this time out as there is literally a war going on in theater. Some old colleagues are reunited, but the incident that led to the Gray Man's dismissal from the CIA while broached, is never revealed, leaving him in the dark and suggesting that this will be an ongoing theme for future installments. The reader also sees the internal struggles as he deals with his isolation and painkiller addiction. The character and the plots are both entertaining and compelling with a page turner presentation.

I have read all the books in the Gray Man series. They are edge if your seat exciting. One of those "how did he do that" action thrillers. The author's imagination is incredible. It's amazing how Greaney keeps coming up with new ways to keep the Gray Man alive. Since I have read all five books one after the other, it's hard to keep them separate. "On Target" gets five starts from me as do all the books in the Gray Man series. I can't wait for the next book.

This guy has replaced Tom Clancy as my favorite thriller author. This book, the second of five novels in the series, is almost impossible to put down. It cooks right along from exciting situation to the next. If you are looking for non-stop thrills without the occasional balloon juice found in Tom Clancy novels, this is for you. I read Greaney's 5th Gray Man novel first titled Back Blast. It was nonstop thrills and excitement with a surprise ending befitting the James Bond movies in the 1960s. However, I would thoroughly recommend that you read all 5 in order of being published in order to keep track of all the characters, their interactions, and plot twists. Reading the last first puts you at a slight disadvantage in that you don't really understand the character's history and the reoccurring

collisions between the Gray Man and his former colleagues. Nonetheless it was still fantastic and tough to put down.

I am a fan of Clancy, Berry, Thor and all of the others. The intricacies of this novel were fantastic. It took me all of about 10 days to find this author, and devour all of his reads. I seek out this type of plot and character. The Grey Man series is wonderful. The development of the character of the Grey Man has been exceptional and surprisingly better than those who follow such characters of Jack Reacher. He is more human yet somehow out of touch than a Jack Reacher with what he is. He is more believable than any character thus far. He bleeds, he gets shot, he suffers, and yet has an innate sense of morality he is only now coming to grips with. Keep it up Mr. Greaney. I am impressed.

I really dislike writting reviews even though some authors are quite inspiring. Reading is one of my favorites forms of entertainment and with the advent ebooks and self published authors, the number of new published books are staggering. It seems the only way to get to the books/authors I like are to leave a review. Most books I read already have well thought out reviews that I generally agree with. In most cases I only leave a review if I either really enjoyed the book or hated it. So, for this particular book I concur with the other five star reviews and leave this review to show support and to encourage timely future books. I thank the author for an affordable good story.

Another action packed thriller by Mark Greaney. Court Gentry again proves to be superhuman with his ability to avoid attempts on his life, fighting and killing enemies, and narrowly escaping over and over. He also develops a higher conscience in this instalment, and that leads to a very deep moral dilemma. I enjoyed this book, and am looking forward to reading the Gray Man #3.

I'm really hooked on the Gray Man series. Greaney is a terrific storyteller, and injects just the right amount of humanity into the Gray Man so that we're not reading about Robo-Op. This book is as good as the first two I've read, and I'm reading another right now. If you're looking for some easy beach reading, these Gray Man novels are perfect.

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