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The Troll, a cyber-trouble-maker, only wanted to antagonize and belittle people online from the safety of his computer.

In the not-too-distant future, the world is overtaken by a group of programmers. The population was nearly eliminated in the takeover and those remaining are forced to follow the rules of a mad man called The Moderator or be killed with the push of a button.

When the leader of the only resistance that remains is caught, the revolution is nearly gone. In his place, a randomly selected citizen is chosen for an impossible task to restore the world to what it once was.

The unlikely candidate: The Troll. With no choice but to accept the challenge, he is forced to attempt an impossible journey to help a revolution that he doesn't believe in, and in the process, find something truly worth fighting for.

The Troll Details

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M.M. Guy says

I loved everything about this book. And I've read a lot of this genre, even write in this genre. The characters were different and refreshing, writing style interesting. Mr. Darr has a way of making you feel like you're in a Tarantino movie, but that you won't get shot or get Hepatitis C. I would describe this book as a cross between the Matrix and Red Dawn. I'm not exaggerating when I say this is my favorite book I've read in the last year.

Harold Cloninger says

For full disclosure I received a copy of the book for an honest review, which in no way altered my opinion of the book. I'll try not to have too many spoilers.

First of all, I really enjoyed this book. It reminds me a lot of 1984 mixed with The Running Man. Like both you have a dystopian society, where nearly everyone is monitored by chips in their heads. Think or say the wrong thing and zap, you're dead. All of this is controlled by The Moderator and his goons.

One of the things I really liked about the book is Brian painted it with broad strokes. He gave you enough information to form a picture in your head, but didn't get so detailed to tell you exactly what that picture should be.

I admired his ability to make some of the bad guys sympathetic while making the others completely detestable.

In one form or another we've all run into a Troll in our lives. Whether it be on message boards or that one family member who always causes problems. But Brian found a way to make this one sympathetic. Granted Troll liked to start arguments just to get a reaction, but he was also very insightful. He knew which buttons to push and how to push them to get the reaction he desired. At the beginning of the book I didn't have much sympathy towards him, but towards the end I was cheering him on.

There were a couple of story items I wish would've gone a little bit differently, but that's just a reader's preference and having a couple favorites. Without going into spoilers I just wish certain things would've gone a different way.

It's a pretty quick read and I'm eagerly anticipating the next one.