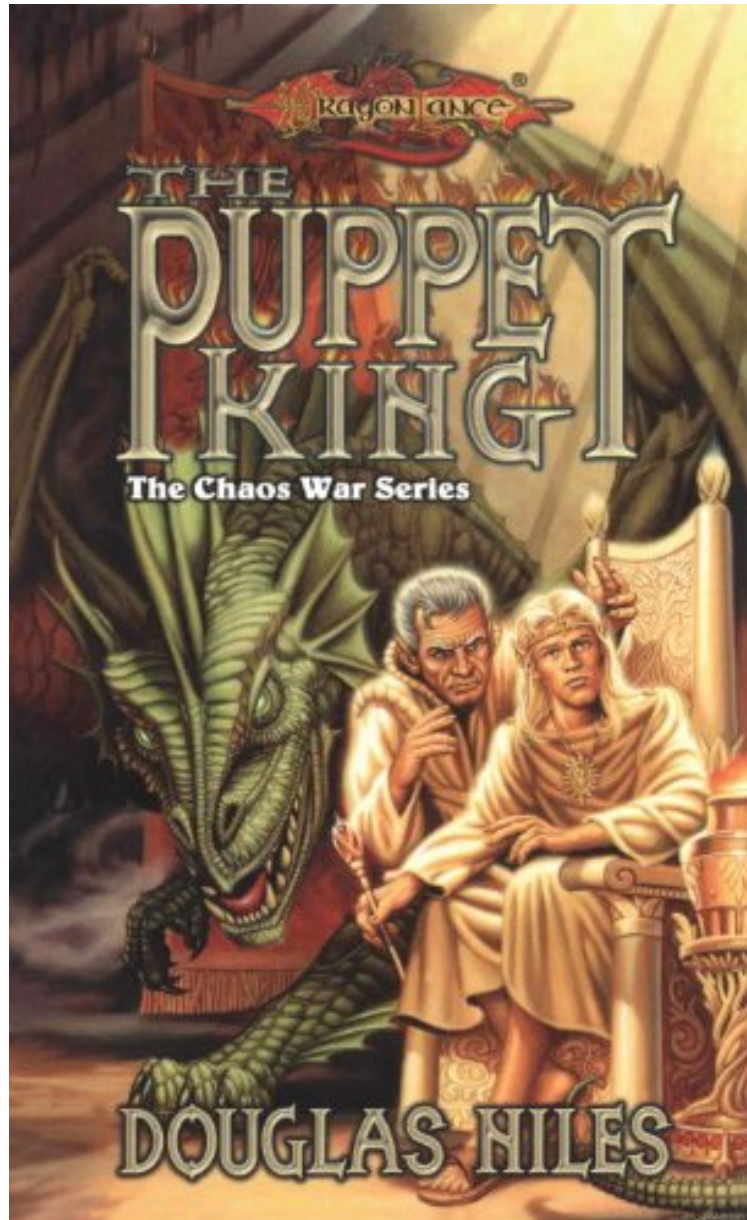


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Von Doug Niles : The Puppet King: The Chaos Wars, Book 3 (The Chaos War Series) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Puppet King: The Chaos Wars, Book 3 (The Chaos War Series):

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plot, but what about the characters? Von Ein Kunde As a Dragonlance book, *The Puppet King* is one of the better ones. The story fits into the Dragonlance saga after "The Sacrifice" in the Second Generation, alongside *Dragons of Summer Flame*, and before the Fifth Age trilogy. Douglas Niles' strength seems to lie in planning involved and interesting military plots and tactics, and he continues that tradition here. *The Puppet King* reads like a chess game, with devious political plots being hatched left and right, and battles with smart manoeuvres lovingly described. The drawback is that the characters become almost nothing more than chess pieces; two-dimensional figures who are armed only with enough characterization to carry out the plot. Douglas Niles was working with Dragonlance characters that Dragonlance fans have encountered elsewhere before, and it won't take too long to notice that readers get a better picture of what motivates Gilthas in a short story like Weis and Hickman's "The Sacrifice," than from the entire novel of *The Puppet King*. Also, the *Puppet King* is the first time Porthios has been given so much limelight in any book, but Niles hardly offers any new and interesting insight on the character. The antagonists like Rashas and Konnal were also two-dimensional, even maddeningly so, because most of the book describes their evil machinations without revealing enough of why they should be that evil and unwise. All in all, the *Puppet King* does do a good job of describing the events in Qualinesti and Silvanesti before and during *Dragons of Summer Flame*. Readers who were wondering how these two areas of Krynn weathered the Chaos War will have their questions answered here. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. *Puppet King* is one of the best! Von Ein Kunde Douglas Niles has always been a favorite Dragonlance writer of mine and his latest book continues a line of great novels. *The Puppet King* is a sequel to "The Sacrifice" from *The Second Generation*. You should have read this short story first, otherwise this book may not be as appealing to you. *The Puppet King* is full of action and excitement making it a real page turner. But I have to say that the characters aren't as developed as they should have been. It fits in well with *Dragons of Summer Flame* except for one thing. I thought that I read that the elven nations were at war with each other before Chaos arrived. In fact wasn't it said that the Knights of Takhisis stopped the war. Well, there was no war in *The Puppet King*. A mistake? Another fault was that after reading the synopsis on the back of the book I thought that the plot was going to include "threats from green dragons." This is totally false. There is a story of a green dragon but that is more of a small subplot which has almost nothing to do with the elves. I just wanted to point that out. But I still give this book 5 stars because I just enjoyed reading so much. Pick it up, you won't be bored or disappointed. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Good all around book... Von C. Seubert Well I have started reading these "Chaos Wars" books, "The Doom Brigade" being the first, this one the second. But as for TPK, this was an excellent book from beginning to end. It is actually told in "flashback" mode, but the only evidence of this is that the story tellers comment at the end of most chapters, which I think is a very nice touch. It is split into 3 sections, which is also nice because it gives the book a "larger" feel than what it is. Very action packed, and the characters are well developed. Overall a nice read. Only thing I didn't like was that it was pretty short (~300 pages). I'm used to those R. Jordan books that are so long and detailed. There were definitely areas that Niles could have written more on, but I'm not going to hold that against him one bit. 2 thumbs up.

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