

# KILL BILL. VOL 1 (2003)



TITLE	YEAR	DIRECTOR	MAIN ACTORS	GENRE
<i>Kill Bill: Vol. 1</i>	2003	Quentin Tarantino	Uma Thurman (The Bride), Lucy Liu (O-Ren Ishii), Vivica A. Fox (Vernita Green), Daryl Hannah (Elle Driver), David Carradine (Bill)	Action, Revenge, Martial Arts +18 years old
<i>Kill Bill: Vol. 2</i>	2004			Intermediate English level

## SYNOPSIS

*Kill Bill* Vol. 1 and 2 tell the story of “**The Bride**”, a former assassin who wakes up from a four-year coma after being attacked on her wedding day by her ex-boss and lover, **Bill**, and the **Deadly Viper Assassination Squad**.

She decides to take revenge on everyone who betrayed her, one by one. In **Volume 1**, the story focuses on her brutal fights and revenge missions against O-Ren Ishii and Vernita Green. **Volume 2** goes deeper into her past, her training with the cruel master Pai Mei, and her final confrontation with Bill.

## VOCABULARY

ENGLISH WORD	PRONUNCIATION	MEANING IN SPANISH
revenge	rvéñch	venganza
assassin	asásin	asesino / asesina
sword	suórd	espada
bride	braid	novia
betrayal	bitréial	traición
squad	skuad	escuadrón
fight	fait	pelea
blood	blad	sangre
master	máster	maestro
training	tréining	entrenamiento
coma	kóma	coma
revenge list	rvéñch list	lista de venganza
flashback	fláshbak	recuerdo / escena pasada
kill	kil	matar
blade	bleid	hoja (de espada)
gun	gan	pistola
target	tárguet	objetivo
fight scene	fait sin	escena de pelea
honor	ónor	honor
poison	póison	veneno



## READING

The story follows **Beatrix Kiddo**, also known as **The Bride**, a woman who used to be part of a group of assassins called *The Deadly Viper Assassination Squad*. After trying to leave her violent life behind, she is attacked on her wedding day by her former boss and lover, **Bill**, and the other members of the squad. They shoot her in the head, and she falls into a coma for four years.

When she wakes up, The Bride decides to take revenge on everyone who betrayed her. She creates a list of names and starts to find them one by one. Her first fights are with **Vernita Green** in California and **O-Ren Ishii** in Japan. The fight with O-Ren and her gang, the "Crazy 88," is one of the most famous scenes in *Kill Bill Vol. 1*. The Bride wins, but she still has more enemies to face. At the end of Volume 1, we learn a shocking secret.

**1. Who is the main character of the story?**

- A) O-Ren Ishii
- B) Vernita Green
- C) Beatrix Kiddo
- D) Bill

**2. What is Beatrix Kiddo's nickname?**

- A) The Assassin
- B) The Bride
- C) The Killer
- D) The Fighter

**3. What group did she belong to in the past?**

- A) The Deadly Viper Assassination Squad
- B) The Crazy 88
- C) The Bride's Army
- D) The Black Mamba Team

**4. Who attacks her on her wedding day?**

- A) Her family
- B) Bill and the assassins
- C) O-Ren Ishii alone
- D) Vernita Green and Budd

**5. What happens to The Bride during the attack?**

- A) She escapes and hides.
- B) She kills everyone.

- C) She is shot in the head and falls into a coma.
- D) She gets married and leaves.

**6. How long is she in a coma?**

- A) Two years
- B) Four years
- C) Five years
- D) Ten years

**7. What does she decide to do after waking up?**

- A) Forget her past.
- B) Take revenge on those who betrayed her.
- C) Move to another country.
- D) Start a new family.

**8. What does she make to plan her revenge?**

- A) A map
- B) A list of names
- C) A phone call
- D) A letter to Bill

**9. Who are the first two people she fights?**

- A) Vernita Green and O-Ren Ishii
- B) Bill and Pai Mei
- C) Budd and Elle Driver
- D) The Crazy 88 and Bill

**10. Where does she fight O-Ren Ishii?**

- A) In California
- B) In Japan
- C) In Texas
- D) In Mexico

**11. Who are the “Crazy 88”?**

- A) A rock band
- B) A police group
- C) O-Ren Ishii’s gang
- D) The Bride’s friends

**12. What happens at the end of Volume 1?**

- A) The Bride is killed.
- B) The Bride meets her dad.
- C) We learn a shocking secret.
- D) Bill disappears forever.



## EXERCISE. PRACTICE THE CONDITIONALS

1. If The Bride \_\_\_\_\_ (not join) the Deadly Viper Squad, she \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a normal life.
2. Bill would still be alive if he \_\_\_\_\_ (not betray) Beatrix.
3. If The Bride \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Bill again, she will probably \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to kill him.
4. If she \_\_\_\_\_ (wake up) earlier from the coma, she \_\_\_\_\_ (start) her revenge sooner.
5. O-Ren Ishii \_\_\_\_\_ (not die) if she \_\_\_\_\_ (fight) more carefully.
6. If Beatrix \_\_\_\_\_ (forgive) Bill, she \_\_\_\_\_ (not feel) peace in the end.
7. If I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) The Bride, I \_\_\_\_\_ (train) every day with Pai Mei.
8. The story would be different if Bill \_\_\_\_\_ (let) her leave the squad.
9. If The Bride \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) a daughter, her motivation \_\_\_\_\_ (be) weaker.
10. If Vernita Green \_\_\_\_\_ (lock) the door, The Bride \_\_\_\_\_ (not enter) her house.



## FUN FACTS

- Quentin Tarantino wrote *Kill Bill* as a tribute to Asian martial arts films and spaghetti westerns.
- Uma Thurman and Tarantino developed (desarrollaron) the character of **The Bride** together.
- The yellow jumpsuit (mono) The Bride wears is inspired by Bruce Lee's outfit in *Game of Death*.
- The movie was originally one long film but was split (dividida) into two volumes.
- Uma Thurman performed many of her own stunts (escenas de riesgo).
- The famous "Crazy 88" fight scene took eight weeks to film.
- The music includes Japanese rock, surf, and western themes.



**Now, check your answers**

**KEY:**

1. C
2. B
3. A
4. B
5. C
6. B
7. B
8. B
9. A
10. B
11. C
12. C

**CONDITONALS Answer Key**

1. had not joined / would have had
2. had not betrayed
3. sees / will try
4. had woken up / would have started
5. would not have died / had fought
6. had forgiven / would not have felt
7. were / would train
8. had let
9. had not had / would have been
10. had locked / would not have entered