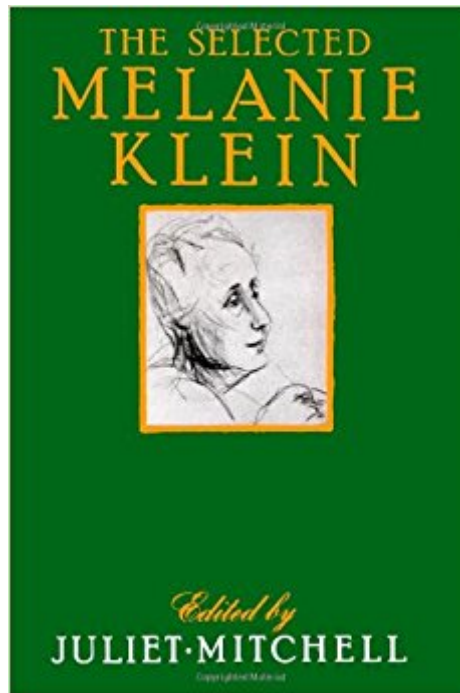




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I was disappointed by Klein but not this collection. Her conceptual apparatus seems rather underdeveloped for the complex phenomena to be taken under it. It is still worth a read and may be source of inspiration. So I don't think I will read Klein further, but this collection gave me quite sufficient understanding of her thought and that for a good price. The only deficiency is the lacking of a more in depth discussion of the death instinct and why Klein introduces it. I assume it can be found in the latter of her collected writings. I strongly recommend the collection since it has not much alternative...

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