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This volume includes; Stormbreaker, Point Blanc, Skeleton Key, Eagle Strike and Scorpia.

Alex Rider is an orphan turned teen superspy who's saving the world one mission at a time—from #1 New York Times bestselling author!

1. Stormbreaker

They told him his uncle died in an accident. He wasn't wearing his seatbelt, they said. But when fourteen-year-old Alex finds his uncle's windshield riddled with bullet holes, he knows it was no accident. What he doesn't know yet is that his uncle was killed while on a top-secret mission. But he is about to, and once he does, there is no turning back. Finding himself in the middle of terrorists, Alex must outsmart the people who want him dead. The government has given him the technology, but only he can provide the courage. Should he fail, every child in England will be murdered in cold blood.

2. Point Blanc

When an investigation into a series of mysterious deaths leads agents to an elite prep school for rebellious kids, MI6 assigns Alex Rider to the case. Before he knows it, Alex is hanging out with the sons of the rich and powerful, and something feels wrong. These former juvenile delinquents have turned well-behaved, studious—and identical—overnight. It's up to Alex to find out who is masterminding this nefarious plot, before they find him.

3. Skeleton Key

Alex Rider has been through a lot for his fourteen years. He's been shot at by international terrorists, chased down a mountainside on a makeshift snowboard, and has stood face-to-face with pure evil. Twice, young Alex has managed to save the world. And twice, he has almost been killed doing it. But now Alex faces something even more dangerous. The desperation of a man who has lost everything he cared for: his country and his only son. A man who just happens to have a nuclear weapon and a serious grudge against the free world. To see his beloved Russia once again be a dominant power, he will stop at nothing. Unless Alex can stop him first... Uniting forces with America's own CIA for the first time, teen spy Alex Rider battles terror from the sun-baked beaches of Miami all the way to the barren ice fields of northernmost Russia.

4. Eagle Strike

Sir Damian Cray is a philanthropist, peace activist, and the world's most famous pop star. But still it's not enough. He needs more if he is to save the world. Trouble is, only Alex Rider recognizes that it's the world that needs saving from Sir Damian Cray. Underneath the luster of glamour and fame lies a twisted mind, ready to sacrifice the world for his beliefs. But in the past, Alex has always had the backing of the government. This time, he's on his own. Can one teenager convince the world that the most popular man on earth is a madman bent on destruction-before time runs out?

5. *Scorpia*

Alex Rider, teen spy, has always been told he is the spitting image of the father he never knew. But when Alex learns that his father may have been an assassin for the most lethal and powerful terrorist organization in the world, Scorpia, his world shatters. Now Scorpia wants Alex on their side, and Alex no longer has the strength to fight them. That is, until he learns of Scorpia's latest plot: an operation known only as "Invisible Sword" that will result in the death of thousands of people. Can Alex prevent the slaughter, or will Scorpia prove once and for all that the terror will not be stopped?

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Hayes says

82/100 Now, don't get me wrong, I think the Alex Rider series is great. But it seems like all books have the same storyline. And if James Adams (From Muchamore's CHERUB series) faced off in a fight against Alex Rider, Alex would get his butt whipped. He's a good main character, but he lacks something (Don't ask me what). Anyways I give:

79/100 to Stormbreaker
82/100 to Point Blanc
85/100 to Skeleton Key
78/100 to Eagle Strike
87/100 to Scorpia

I recommend these books to all.

I reviewed the boxed set so I didn't have to review each individual book.

SwEeT MeMoRiEs says

Anthony Horowitz is an absolute genius! I absolutely love the series...and I'm a girl who rarely like action books. But he made the story so real that I can picture Alex going through all these obstacles while trying to escape various death from various villains. I would say Scorpia is the best book of the series.

Ethan says

Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz was an action packed novel.

First of all it had some really cool action, which made it hard to put down. For example in the Stormbreaker lab, a place where people made futuristic computers, the boss of the lab wanted to kill Alex because he had overheard that people who boot up the computers will be poisoned. Alex was captured, thrown into a water tank, and then left to be chomped up by the Portuguese Man of War. He used a special type of zit cream to escape! Alex always seems to survive a challenge.

Alex had a belt with many life-saving tools. For example, there were water purifying tablets, medicines for small emergencies such as a cholera, malaria, influenza, and scurvy as well as a knife. Additionally, he had a Game Boy that was unusual and useful. It could give Alex direct contact with MI6, be used for x-ray vision, and could even launch a smoke grenade. Every gadget looks like an average object, then turns out to save Alex's life.

What made it so much fun to read was the fact that it was full of adventure. I would recommend this book to kids aged 10-15 who like books where kids save the world! Anthony Horowitz writes a series. Look for the next book Point Blank.

Nayab says

amazing writing right here!!!

Jody Wacker says

I love this series. Mr. Horowitz has a tantalizing writing style. His use of description is out of this world—particularly in a fast-paced book of espionage. My oldest son has dyslexia and very seldom reads for pleasure. However, this series is one of the few he has read from start to finish. I started Scorpia yesterday and finished today. Right now I am three quarters of the way through Ark Angel and plan to finish it before bed.

Rishabh says

this is a reeeeeeeeaaaaaaaaallllllllllllllllly awesome series
its about a teen british spy whose parents were killed

Jen says

I really liked this book. It is a young adult book (although I would not let my 10 year old read it) about a 14 year-old Alex Rider who is a spy. This book was very enjoyable and had my attention. I also read the second book - Point Blank and liked it as well.

Giotara :-) says

Since I was a kid I wanted to read these books. And for whatever reasons I did not have the chance. So what is more logical than to start reading them during the summer of 2015 when I was 22 years old..... I just had nothing to do and I wanted something 'light' to read. So I began! Nothing in this world could prepare me for the addiction these books would turn into. I love these books! All of them. My favourite one being Scorpia. They are just great. Without even realising it I was in my room all day reading. I finished the whole series in 1.5 weeks! Are these books for kids? sure! Did I enjoy them though? More than I hoped!! I love the fact that the plot is a little dark. It might provide you with a happy ending, but things are not as happy as they can be. And book by book one can see that very clearly.... I suggest this book to everyone that is looking for an adventurous book that makes you want more and more and even more!!!

Misha says

They are all greaaaaaaat

Reeny says

I am rating this as a children's series and according to how I viewed the series all those years ago.

Full of action, daring stunts and smart escapes; this series had it all. I have no hesitation recommending the series to those 13 and under. They were a lot of fun. The power of five series by Anthony were also a good read for 13 year old me.

The writing was fine and there were not, to my knowledge, vastly problematic views/scenarios involved so let your kids read them if they are interested.

Eito says

I am one of the biggest fans ever of the Alex Rider series and I have read every single book in it. This collection features the first five books (all of them I have read) which are all very well written. Alex is a teen boy whose uncle was a spy and because of his uncles' background, the British spy Agency recruits Alex.

When he gets recruited his parents are already dead and he is left with his friend Jack. She was a close friend of Alex's family so she is his only guardian. Out of all of the books only two of them she goes on one of his missions. In the first book Alex gets sent out to a facility on a mountain to climate a man known as Herod Sayle. In the second book Alex is sent to another facility where a scientist is cloning people so Alex has to shut it down. In the third book Alex is being hunted by numerous people around the world so he is forced to leave his country and go to a mission in Cuba where he meets a Russian General who wants to destroy the world. In the forth book Alex is sent to eliminate a politician known as Damian Cray. In the 5th book an assassin organization known as Scorpia springs up and Alex has to go take it down. All of the books have excellent writing and great story's. It also has great characters like Smithers and Alex himself. I wish the series would continue because all of the books are awesome.

Daria says

Okay, so I had to review the boxed set as one because, frankly speaking, I couldn't stand reviewing each and every book by itself. Here's the rundown: *Stormbreaker* was interesting (3 stars); *Point Blank* less so (2). *Skeleton Key* picked up a bit, but wasn't that great (2); *Eagle Strike ditto* (2). *Scorpia* was the best (4) in the entire series.

I have to say that Horowitz isn't very creative. The plot is (for every book) as follows:

1. Alex gets recruited by the MI6 against his will.
2. Alex goes off on a mission.
3. Alex gets into various spots of trouble.
4. Alex has an epiphany. (All becomes clear, the inside man is revealed, etc, etc, etc.)
5. Alex is captured by the bad guys.
6. Alex miraculously escapes. (Usually with gadget aid, or his own brilliant skill.)
7. Alex saves the world. Again.

I mean, I'm not saying that these books are trash. They're not. I was about as addicted to them a couple of years ago as I was to Joseph Delaney's *Last Apprentice* books. They're really good if you're looking for a couple of hundred pages of adrenaline and non-stop (generally) action. The quality of writing is mediocre, and the plots are far-fetched bordering on lunacy. (Trust me, I'm no stranger to far-fetched. I love far-fetched stuff. But Alex Rider... The entire point of the series is of a fourteen-year old spy. Enough said already, but notable moments include: surviving a sniper shot, escaping pursuers while getting down a mountain in the Alps via makeshift snowboard, colliding with a moving train, living through an encounter with a gianormous jellyfish in a fish tank, and, in the last two books not mentioned in this set, surviving a trip to space and back, and going over a thousand-foot waterfall in a canoe...a makeshift one. The last one was my personal favorite. Alongside the train collision.)

The best, as I had said, was *Scorpia*. Here we see a glimpses of an internal conflict.

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Ahem. I think I've ranted enough on this topic. These books are not the greatest. If you are looking for action, then go ahead, try them - oh, you won't be disappointed. *Scorpia* is worth something. The last two - *Ark Angel* and *Snakehead* - aren't. They're redundant, even more far-fetched (is that a possibility with Alex Rider?), and overall not too good.

Oh, but the little ending scene in *Scorpia* will absolutely have you pick up *Ark Angel*. So there's nothing I can do about that.

On my last note: While I read the first five, I had relatively enjoyed them. So don't let my review throw you off if you're into this sort of thing.

Tanner says

These set of books were a heart stopping, pulse jerking series that wouldn't let me put the book down. I must have read hundreds of pages a day just because I couldn't stop.

Scarlet Rose says

I love the Alex Rider series. I have read all the books multiple of times. Anthony Horowitz is considered one of my favorite authors. His writing style is very detailed that makes me feel that I am actually part of the novel. I also heard that there might be a 10th book coming out but I am not sure how reliable the source of information I got it from is.

Laura C. says

The Alex Rider series are tweenie heaven for boys. I like them because they are James Bond without the misogyny. With utterly fantastical stunts a young man who gets no respect in his real life saves the world - what's not to like?

