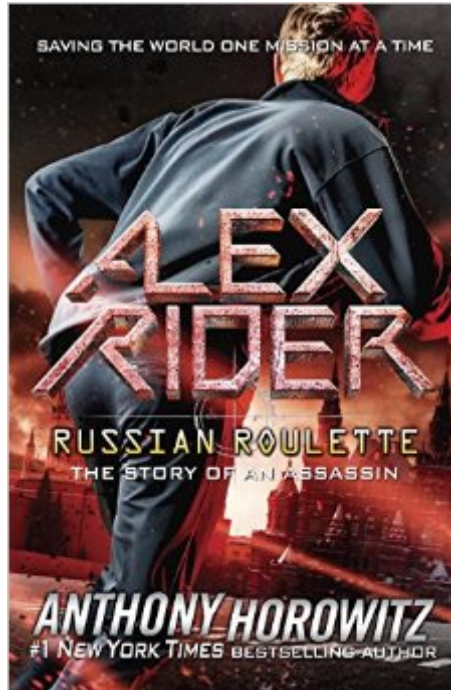


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The final book in the #1 New York TimesÂ best-selling series that redefined the spy novel for young readersâ "Alex Rider!Alex Riderâ ™s life changed forever with the silent pull of a trigger. Every story has a beginning. For teen secret agent Alex Rider, that beginning occurred prior to his first case for MI6, known by the code name Stormbreaker. By the time Stormbreaker forever changed Alexâ ™s life, his uncle had been murdered by the assassin Yassen Gregorovich, leaving Alex orphaned and craving revenge. Yet when Yassen had a clear shot to take out Alex after he foiled the Stormbreaker plot, he let Alex live. Why?Â This is Yassenâ ™s story. A journey down the darker path of espionage.Â Like a James Bond for young readers, international #1 bestseller Anthony Horowitz delivers a blockbuster thrill ride in this, his final Alex Rider novel.

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One night, only a few weeks ago, I was scrolling through the Alex Rider adventures on . I have been a die hard fan for years, and I was interested in completing my collection. Like many others, I'm sure, I was sad when the series ended with "Scorpia Rising." Imagine my surprise, then, when I saw a section of the web page dedicated to "Alex Rider Books 1 - 10". After looking around, I saw that, indeed, Anthony Horowitz had decided to return to the world of MI6, Scorpia, spies, gadgets and the rest of it with "Russian Roulette : The Story of an Assassin." To say I was excited was an understatement. I ordered a copy, sat back, and waited. Looking back, I wish I had done just a bit more homework. When the book arrived, I greedily tore it open - and then stood staring in dismay.

Because it turned out Alex Rider, the fourteen year old super spy, wasn't coming back after all. The book was a prequel. Soon, I came around, and began to read. I got over being disappointed very quickly. "RR" opens up with a familiar face - the face of Yassen Gregorovich, the assassin who terminated Ian Rider in "Stormbreaker," which cast Alex into the spy world. In the beginning of the story, Yassen receives orders from his employers - Scorpia, one of the largest criminal bands in the world - to kill Alex, to punish the boy for defeating Herod Sayle. However, for the first time, Yassen is hesitant. Because, as readers of the series know, Yassen was trained by John Rider, Alex's father. But, there's a new element to his hesitation readers were not aware of in previous stories. Then begins the flashback... Fourteen year old Yasha Gregorovich is set on a life changing journey when his childhood home is destroyed by a powerful criminal.

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