



In the first book in the number one bestselling Alex Rider series by Anthony Horowitz, fourteen-year-old Alex is forcibly recruited into MI6. Armed with secret gadgets, he is sent to investigate Herod Sayle, a man who is offering state-of-the-art Stormbreaker computers to every school in the country. But the teenage spy soon finds himself in mortal danger.

1) Look at the front cover: make a prediction about the story by using the title and the images on the front of the book.

**Alex must have gone to or entered a dangerous place. Probably he took something that was valuable to the people there. He is being chased and perhaps being shot at. Maybe he gets shot but escapes with his injuries. (2 marks)**

2) Read the blurb. What does 'forcibly recruited' mean?

**Forced to work against his will (2 mark)**

3) What 'mortal danger' do you think Alex Ride could be in?

**Mortal means death. Alex could get killed while trying to complete his mission. (2 mark)**

4) According to the text, what is Alex Rider's first mission?

**To investigate Herold Sayle.(1 mark)**

