***Crocodile tears by Anthony Horowitz***

Recommendation- I would highly recommend this book, it is extremely thrilling, exhilarating, and has a break neck pace, and would appeal to a wide range of people. At first it is a little slow however after the first few chapters it got to the fast break neck pace I promised. If you like Action, biochemistry, African history and tribal diversity, suspense or historical books about different places in the world with international events this book is an excellent choice for you. Based on the criteria I just gave I would bet about 90% of our class would like the book.

The book in question is quite long in fact it is 388 pages. So it is only for those who are serious readers and have ample time, although it is possible to read the book with an extracurricular activity and have all honors classes. The book is challenging but still one of the best reads you will ever have in your life, it is the best book I have read so far this year, by far.

Some people will never now how great this book is, well in all honesty I feel very sorry for, them this book is not just written exceptionally well it can show and not tell, have excruciating detail, and have exquisite taste in every single aspect of it. ***Crocodile tears*** might be a little scary to younger readers but overall just about anyone over the age of 10 will be hooked within the first chapter and be so excited by the third chapter they will not want to go to bed until they finish the dang book. Over all out of 5 stars I’d give this book a 5, there is not one bad component to it simply is the best book I have ever read.

Summary- Alex Rider is a teenage part time agent working for MI6. At the beginning he is with Edward Pleasure (a British journalist) and Edwards’s daughter, Sabina. Anyhow they’re at a big party with Desmond McCain being the host and on their way home from the tire is blown out with a snipers bullet and the car goes into loch Arkaig but they all get out okay and go to the hospital to get treatment.

About a week later Alex beats up some Chinese triads (old enemies) but he doesn’t know he’s being filmed by a Harry Bulman who later is killed by McCain after he gives him the information requested. Alex then gets a mission from MI6 and must infiltrate Greenfields a bioscience institute doing testing on various plants. About a week later Alex is abducted by McCain’s goons and is brought to Kenya where he is held prisoner by Myra Beckett and Njenga a kikuyu tribesman. Alex is eventually ordered to be tortured to death by dangling and eventually dropping into the crocodile pit. Rahim helps Alex escape and later Alex takes a bomb and destroys the compound destroying the simba dam and the virus from Greenfields.