

Knowledge Organiser- Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz.

Important information

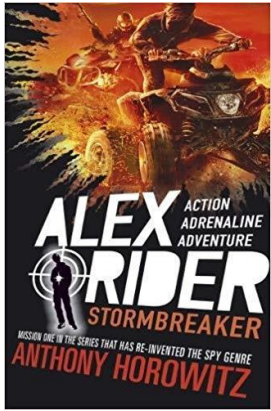
Plot
 Stormbreaker introduces us to Alex Rider, a fourteen year old orphan boy, who has been raised by his uncle, Ian Rider. Ian Rider, a Banker by profession is killed in a car accident. Alex starts investigating his uncle's death and soon learns that he was in fact an MI6 agent. Ian's last assignment was to investigate the activities of Herod Sayle, a millionaire who has announced to donate his company's state of the art computers called Stormbreaker to every secondary school in Britain. Alex is forced to join MI6, where he is given gruelling SAS training & then sent undercover to uncover the truth behind the truth behind Sayle Enterprises. He soon learns of the deadly secret of the Stormbreakers' which can destroy Britain for generations to come. Alex races against time as he must now not only save himself from the immense danger to his life but the whole of Britain from extinction.

Themes:
 Doing what is right rather than what is easy,
 Kindness
 Judging others.
 Compassion

Setting
 The book starts in London, where Alex lives with his uncle. During training, he finds himself in the Cotswolds with the SAS. His first mission sends him to Cornwall to uncover Herod Sayle's plan.

Characters

Character 1	Alex rider: the protagonist who is drawn into the life of a teenage spy.
Character 2	Uncle Ian: Alex's uncle and also a spy who has been undercover as a banker.
Character 3	Jack: Alex's housekeeper and best friend.
Character 4	Herod Sayle: A millionaire who is planning to donate computers to schools.
Character 5	Mr Blunt: the head of MI6 operations.
Character 6	Yassen Gregorovitch: an international assassin.



What can the book teach us?

You can change the world no matter how old or young you are.

Sometimes, doing what is right isn't always easy.

Quotes

“In the old days, spies had done they'd done because they loved their country, because they believed in what they were doing. But he'd never been given a choice. Nowadays, spies weren't employed. They were used.”

Writing genres covered:

Descriptive recounts, formal letter, explanation text.

Sentence types: Use of fronted adverbials to start sentences in different ways, use devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs (*adverbials of time and pronoun use*), use of organisational devices such as headings and bullet points, use of modal verbs to indicate probability. Use a range of punctuation taught in Year 5.

Name of book: Stormbreaker.
Date Published: 2000.
Author: Anthony Horowitz.
Genre: Action/Adventure.

Rendezvous	A meeting planned at a certain time and place
Embassy	A building where diplomats live or work
Convoy	A procession of vehicles travelling together.
Sabotage	Deliberately destroy, damage, or obstruct (something), especially for political or military advantage.
Operative	A secret agent or private detective.
Amateur	Engaging or engaged in without payment, the opposite of professional.

Context

Anthony Horowitz, OBE (born 5 April 1955) is an English novelist and screenwriter specialising in mystery and suspense. His work for young adult readers includes *The Diamond Brothers* series, the *Alex Rider* series, and *The Power of Five* series (a.k.a. *The Gatekeepers*).