

The Russian (Lance Spector, #2) By Saul Herzog All dialog and descriptions are of women who are seen by the author as nothing more than plot devices of his belief that women are only good for reproduction or bed partners. As a devotee of Lee Child.

There are zero likable characters in the series and the author's keen ability to set a tempo for the storyline with interesting history and current events is the real star of the writing. English finished yesterday 3rd October 2021 good read really liked it kindle owned second from Herzog and one should read this series in order as one follows the other not like some series where it does not matter. The Russian (Lance Spector #2) Just finished Book Two in the series and this thriller continued where Book One left off in unpredictable ways - couldn't put it down! I couldn't predict anything about the plot ahead of time and was always taken by surprise at how the story unfolded especially how the plot ties in to current world events. The author explains background and historical information in ways that doesn't leave the reader in the dark wondering about the hows and whys of what's going on while providing extremely readable text that makes for a very entertaining read! English Lance Spector is the new Jason Bourne THE RUSSIAN is the second spy novel by Saul Herzog and it's even better than the first. Thank you English Love this guy! I love how the author weaves the characters into the plot! This series reads as smooth as silk! On to book 3: The Target! English More politics but still nice I read this in the middle of the night while feeding my baby. I am also not super nationalistic and don't feel like we have to be the world's greatest superpower David Baldacci Vince Flynn and other authors of this genre which is widely read by women I spent the majority of the time rage reading this series as a result of the author's choice to depict women as catty petty incompetents. English Series Review I started this series after seeing it on KU and finished all five published books: The story in and of itself is very ripped from the headlines with enough research done to give characters a backstory: I don't dislike the writing style and despite the jump from storyline to storyline within each book...it actually works, The problem lies with the author's decidedly negative view of women. They exist in this author's mind as either whores or mothers regardless of their accomplishments or rank within the organization they work within. Even the "good" female characters who exist to work toward justice are given unlikable attributes and attitudes which severely limit the audience: The choice to use every female character (there are many) as a punching bag is disappointing which is why I've given it three stars rather than four, As long as it's free.

Moscow Russia The Kremlin activates a deadly assassin: Washington DC USA The President believes the Kremlin is preparing for a new Cold War, Langley USA With the world on the brink the CIA has only one Asset capable of preventing catastrophe but that man is AWOL, The plot develops in surprising ways through the final page - and rivets your attention page after page: Herzog's knowledge of Russia and its government and how Langley and the Pentagon work make for another page turner I couldn't put down. English The Russian is fairly well written but lacks authenticity and Lance Spector is still a poorly defined character. However the plot is interesting the action is fast paced and the dialog (especially that of characters other than Spector) is believable. This the second book of a series is much improved over the first: One major flaw is that Herzog leaves the reader hanging at the end of the novel: English fascinating run through Russia Another great spy thriller with Lance Spector and crew. Lance gets out of so many tight spots you wonder how this guy has any adrenals left at all! Lost a star because the women all seemed to cry a lot and everyone smoked: Do spies really smoke? Seems like a weird habit to have as a spy, I know this is a weird reader quirk and maybe not fair to dock a star because of it but there was so much smoking I really did find it distracting, Still I thoroughly enjoyed it and am heading over to book 3 in the series, English Another good book in a very very good Series This entire series by Saul Herzog Is very well done and a pleasure to read, The characters are well defined an interesting and the stories are riveting with far too much of a possibility that they may be realistic, There was enough action to keep me going but not too much mystery: The NSA director irked me and I don't feel like there was enough follow-up on

that situation, I was bored sometimes especially near the beginning and also during all the war and political conversation. Some of that felt very realistic and made me think considering what's been happening in Ukraine, Sometimes it feels like this author could predict the future a little. I did enjoy the interwoven Russian history if not the waxing politics of threats to the USA, To be honest I'll try Book 3 to see if the author's writing continues to improve. Herzog obviously spent some real time researching the subject matter and locations- and it shows. One of the better self-published freebies from Kindle Unlimited of this genre I've read. Your protagonist really doesn't have to kill 12 spec-op trained armored up guys with a rusty broken nail clipper: A high body count doesn't have anything to do with quality: Unless you are just writing for teenage wannabes and those with IQs under the temperature of warm spit[1]

So I guess that turns me off to a degree. It would seem there are two yet left to publish. This isn't a bad series. It's actually quite interesting and quick reading. The writing is good. The topical storylines are interesting. English A fairly strong 3 stars. This is a real improvement from Spector Book 1. Across the city a massive bombing kills hundreds. They have to find him. But some men don't want to be found. I've already ordered the third. Thank you Saul. I hope he gets over this. Honestly the smoking really got to me. Well done Mr. Herzog. This one wasn't as good at the first in my opinion. It felt pretty predictable but still was engaging. But it's not yet good enough to pay for. Much better writing than in Book 2. Most are pure crap. Note to author: Don't try to out Mitch Rapp Mitch Rapp. English

