Thesis Title: The Strange Case of Mr Ian Rankin and Detective Inspector John Rebus
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Reviewer’s recommendation for overall mark: C

1. Evaluation of central idea, thesis, focus and purpose: C
2. Evaluation of organization, logic and arrangement: D
3. Evaluation of topic development, support and evidence: D
4. Evaluation of language, style, standard usage, citation and bibliographic standards: C

Comments and/or topics and questions for the thesis defence:
This thesis attempts to classify the writings of a contemporary Scottish author Ian Rankin. Mr Rankin draws inspiration from Scottish detective story, gothic dualism and Edinburgh as a place of contrasts to name a few immediate sources. Mrs. Adamcova’s thesis is based on a thorough and extensive reading of Rankin which is not lacking in an authentic keenness for the author. However, the thesis statement is too general and this throws a shadow on the whole diploma paper. Showing that Rankin has been influenced by Stevenson and some other Scottish writers is a mere following of John Scaggs and some other commentators, without much original challenge or argument. That is why instead of an in-depth analysis, the thesis reads as a well-written summary of a John Rebus’ plot stories with increasingly repetitive references to secondary sources. At one point these arguments become circular assumptions which are adequately rendered but never appropriately explained.

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The relationship between employee-/production-centered leadership and work satisfaction. The present Bachelor Thesis is part of the research project “Interaction Between super-visors and subordinates” at the Berlin School of Economics and Law in cooperation with the University of Mannheim. Nine bachelor students participated in the project with each investigating a different leadership style in combination with other variables. The aim of this project was to collect a high amount of data from supervisors and their subordinates, asking different questions about leadership styles and the relationship towards each other. Bachelor Thesis. Contact person: Mgr. Kateřina JIRSOVÁ. Phone: +420 724 039 934. Office No.: 1.08 (Pátkova 2137/5, Praha 8 - Libeň). Czech Republic. Other contacts.