Go for the SSD or grab a WD black or a 7200rpm seagate. The samsung drives are also fast. The raptors don't really have much of a place in today's market anymore. SSD's are getting cheaper and their benefits are much better than what the raptors offer. I'd rather stick with a bigger WD black than a VR. I personally have a 120gb vertex 2 in my main rig and a 80gb intel in my laptop. The laptop boots to usable windows in 35 seconds. On a fresh install it was under 30. There is no HDD that can touch that. My desktop is a bit slower, but that's because of the pitiful x58 chipset boot times.