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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Grade 4-7-Diminutive Fletcher Moon may not be the most popular 12-year-old in his Irish town but he's proud-maybe a little too proud-of the badge that he constantly flashes to let everyone know that he's an online graduate of a private detective academy in Washington, DC. The other kids admit that Fletcher, aka Half Moon, has solved several tough cases at Saint Jerome's Elementary and Middle School, so they come to him when they have a problem. But when super all-in-pink girly-girl April Devereux hires him to find a lock of a pop star's hair that she claims was stolen by one of the Sharkeys-a family of well-known criminals-everything starts going wrong for Fletcher. His precious badge is taken, he finds a single huge footprint at every crime scene, and he's picked up by the local police for arson when the Devereux playhouse burns down. When Fletcher goes on the run, who becomes his number-one ally? Young Red Sharkey. A typically funny Colfer offering without the mania of the Artemis Fowl series (Hyperion), the story wittily delivers the message that some people aren't-for good or ill-who they appear to be. Kids who enjoy comic mysteries will have a great time with *Half Moon*, and the conclusion drops plenty of hints that this could become a series.-
Walter Minkel, New York Public Library

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From [Booklist](#)

Gr. 4-6. Colfer's newest offering has all the earmarks of another multibook endeavor, but one that is very different from his hugely popular Artemis Fowl series. This time his protagonist is short, nerdy, 12-year-old Fletcher Moon, "youngest P.I. on the planet" (certainly the youngest in his small Irish hometown), with a much-prized badge from a correspondence school to prove it. When popular, 10-year-old April Devereux retains him to find dirt on the school's most notorious disruptors, the Sharkey brothers, "Half Moon" can't resist. It isn't long, however, before Fletcher realizes that the Sharkeys aren't the problem and that his best option to get to the bottom of things (including a surprisingly vicious beating that lands him in the hospital) and smooth out the mess his ham-fisted investigation has produced is to team up with a Sharkey. The private-eye lingo has a great, comical grade-school snap, and even if Half Moon's investigative endeavors are more preposterous than mysterious, the kid's goofy charm and stubborn dedication to crime solving will win him a hefty, enthusiastic following. *Stephanie Zvirin*

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Review

Praise for Half Moon Investigations: 'Repartee, irreverence, a zippy pace and suspense will leave the readers wanting more' - Irish Times Praise for Artemis Fowl: 'Fast-paced, tongue-in-cheek, with laugh-out-loud jokes. Smart and page-turning' - Sunday Times 'Fast, funny and very exciting' - Daily Mail

Users Review

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