

# **Artemis Fowl: The Lost Colony Study Guide**

**Artemis Fowl: The Lost Colony by Eoin Colfer**

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# Plot Summary

Artemis Fowl: The Lost Colony is the fifth book in Eion Colfer's Artemis Fowl series. In this book, Artemis has discovered that the time spell cast over Hybras is beginning to decay and that demons will soon be thrown through time to certain death. Artemis sets out to help the fairy world fix this problem, but is sidetracked when Minerva, a young girl as intelligent as Artemis, kidnaps a demon to earn a Nobel Prize for herself. Artemis Fowl: The Lost Colony is another exciting adventure that will keep Eion Colfer fans on the edge of their seats.

Artemis Fowl is in Barcelona, Spain with his bodyguard, Butler, in an attempt to catch sight of a demon traveling through time. When the creature fails to arrive at the appointed place and time, Artemis prepares to leave. However, the demon then arrives in an unexpected place, taking Artemis with him when he again jumps through time. Butler manages to anchor himself and Artemis, bringing Artemis back to his own time. A short while later, Artemis and Butler travel to Italy where Artemis again expects a demon to appear. As they wait for this demon, Artemis tells Holly Short, a section 8 of the LEP officer, that he thinks that Hybras, the island where the demons live, is about to fall apart as the spell keeping it lost in time begins to degrade.

As Artemis and Holly talk, Butler notices a young girl and her adult companions apparently expecting the demon as well. Artemis sends Holly to follow this group as the demon appears because it is too late to do anything to stop them. The girl and her companions anchor the demon to earth with a silver bullet and sneak it out of the opera theater. Holly follows them and travels on a train to Naples. On the trip, Holly and her team learn that the girl is Minerva Paradizo, a twelve year-old French girl who has an exceptional IQ. The girl, along with her father, a security officer, and a notorious criminal, are behind the demon's kidnapping.

Artemis, Holly, and Butler follow the Paradizos to Naples where they plot to break into their highly secured home to rescue the demon. However, in the process of saving the demon the criminal in Minerva's employ becomes unglued and kidnaps Minerva for the purpose of forcing her to provide for him another demon. When Artemis becomes aware of this, he arranges an exchange, Minerva for the demon.

During the exchange, Artemis instructs the demon to drop the silver that has anchored him to earth. Artemis knows that the demon will reform because of a silver piece of artwork in the same area as the exchange. The trick works and Artemis manages to gain both the demon and Minerva's freedom. Artemis then takes the demon to an art exhibit that showcases a rock sculpture of a demon. Artemis believes that this sculpture is of the original warlocks who cast the spell over Hybras. Artemis hopes that the demon can free these warlocks so that they might be able to return Hybras to Earth. However, things go wrong and Holly ends up with a bomb handcuffed to her wrist.

Artemis asks Holly to fly him and the two demons, one of which was rescued from the sculpture, to another building where they can diffuse the bomb. However, there is too



much weight for Holly's wings and they begin to fall. Artemis removes the silver that is anchoring the demons to the earth and they go through time to Hybras. While there, Artemis figures out a way they can return Hybras to earth. However, they are overrun by angry demons who think they have come to destroy the island. There is a struggle, but Artemis, Holly, and the demons manage to reverse the spell and save all of Hybras. However, when they reach home they discover they have been gone three years.



# Chapters 1-4

## Chapters 1-4 Summary

Artemis Fowl is an Irish teenager whose father once ran an organized crime group. Artemis learned from his father at an early age how to run his own scams and business. This is the fifth book of the Artemis Fowl series, starring a more mature and kinder Artemis Fowl.

Chapter 1. Blast to the Past. Artemis Fowl is in Barcelona, Spain for reasons even his bodyguard does not fully understand. Artemis is waiting for something to appear, but it does not. Artemis and Butler, his bodyguard, are crossing the street to get into their car when a demon suddenly appears out of nothing. Artemis shakes the creature's hand and this causes Artemis to be transported back in time with the creature. Butler, who placed his hand on Artemis' shoulder before he disappeared, pulls him back. Artemis realizes later it is silver on a bracelet Butler's sister gave to him that anchored him on earth and allowed him to save Artemis.

Chapter 2. Doodah Day. Holly Small was once an officer with the LEP, the Lower Elements Police, but she quit when her beloved commander died and was replaced with an overly ambitious politician type. Now Holly Small runs a private investigator business with her dwarf friend, Mulch Diggums. On this particular day, Holly and Mulch are trying to capture a pixie named Doodah Day who is wanted for transporting illegal fish. Just as Holly finally catches the fast, difficult pixie, an old commander from the LEP arrives with a group of officers. This old commander, Vinyaya, asks Holly to let the pixie go and go with Vinyaya and her men. Holly reluctantly agrees. Vinyaya tells Holly that she has joined a special arm of the LEP, section eight. At section eight headquarters, Foaly, Holly's friend and former LEP technician, greets her. Foaly then explains that demons have been showing up unexpectedly on earth and that Artemis Fowl has come in contact with one. Vinyaya wants Holly to join section eight and then talk to Artemis about what he knows.

Chapter 3. First Impression. Imp No1 feels left out because he is older than all the other imps, but he has not warped yet, or gone through the demon equivalent of puberty. Imp No1 suspects that this might be because he is a warlock, but everyone disagrees with him. Imp No1 is often teased by the other students and his teacher. Today the pride leader, Abbot, comes into the classroom. Abbot challenges the students to try to hurt him, including No1. No1 uses a piece of wood to try and crack Abbot's armored scale. It works, but Abbot hides it and then it somehow heals. Then Abbot tells war stories, causing the entire class except for No1 to go into warp. Abbot then suggests to No1 that he go jump into the volcano, which will cause him to float unanchored through time. No1 thinks this is a good idea.

Chapter 4. Mission Impossible. Artemis Fowl tells Butler that they must go to Sicily immediately. Once there, they go to the Bellini Theatre where they attend a performance



of Bellini's Norma. Holly arrives. Artemis begins to tell Holly how the calculations of when the demons will appear in time are off and this suggests that the magic spell that is supposed to be keeping their island, Hybras, anchored in time, is degrading. Then Butler notices that there is a young girl and two male companions at the theater that he remembers seeing in Barcelona. This trio seems prepared for something to appear on stage at the same exact spot Artemis thinks the demon will appear. It is too late, however, to stop them, so Artemis asks Holly to follow them. Seconds later, No1, who has decided to jump into the volcano as Abbot suggested, finds himself on the Italian stage. No1 is shot with a silver bullet to anchor him to earth and rushed away by the girl and her companions.

## Chapters 1-4 Analysis

Artemis Fowl is tracking demons who are appearing on earth at random moments for seconds at a time. Artemis explains to Butler, his large and faithful bodyguard, that this is happening because during the war between the humans and the fairies many thousands of years ago, the demons chose to lift their island out of time to avoid the war. However, something went wrong and all the warlocks were thrown off the island at the last minute. Now Artemis thinks the spell, that was never meant to be permanent, is beginning to fail.

Artemis's good friend, Holly, is a fairy of the first family who is more than eighty years old and was a police officer for the fairy world's LEP. Holly, however, has had a disagreement with the new leadership and has decided to quit and begin her own private investigative firm. Holly is a very stubborn person who loves her work in law enforcement and feels somewhat out of her element working a different job. However, Holly is good at everything she does. In fact, Holly is so good that her former commander calls her back into service.

No1 is a demon who lives on Hydras. Hydras is now governed by a cruel demon, Abbot, who rules his people with information he got from a book he stole while he was on earth thousands of years ago. No1 is not like the other demons and he feels that he might be a warlock even though there has not been a warlock born on Hydras in thousands of years. This idea is ridiculed by Abbot, however, and No1 is encouraged to leave. Many of the demons jump into their volcano, the source of power for the time spell, and this allows them to travel unanchored through time. No1 does this and is quickly kidnapped by a young woman for unknown reasons.



# Chapters 5-9

## Chapters 5-9 Summary

Chapter 5. Imprisoned. Holly Short follows the young girl and her companions from the theater and onto a train. As Holly watches over the kidnappers sheathed in magical invisibility, she overhears them talk about going to Naples. Foaly runs a scan on the girl and her companions and soon learns that the girl is Minerva Paradizo, a very intelligent twelve year-old, her father, plastic surgeon Gaspard Paradizo, their head of security, Juan Soto, and renown criminal Billy Kong. Kong is the most dangerous of the group, wanted for murder in Taiwan under his birth name, Jonah Lee. Artemis learns all this information at the same time as Holly and quickly flies to Naples so that she will be waiting when Minerva and her group arrive. However, when they all reunite in Naples, they realize the Paradizo home is so well protected that there is no way to get inside.

Chapter 6. Dwarf Walks into a Bar. Mulch Diggums searches through a known criminal area for Doodah Day, using a tracker he slipped into the pixie's boot before letting him go. When Mulch finds him, he tells him that the LEP wants his help and in reward his criminal record will be wiped clean. Doodah Day reluctantly agrees to help.

Chapter 7. Bobo's Run. Mulch is upset when he and Doodah Day arrive in France because of Doodah's crazy driving. For this reason, Mulch is pleased to learn that he will be driving Doodah Day to the Paradizo home underground. Doodah is unhappy traveling with the dwarf, but pleased when they reach the area outside the Paradizo grounds. Mulch and Doodah lure Beau, Minerva's little brother, to them and bribe him with chocolate. However the child does not remain quiet, so Mulch has to put him to sleep with his drool. Doodah then takes the child's place, using his own fairy gadgets on the child's electric car to amp its power. Doodah then enters the house and places a fiber optic cable on the house's video lines to give Foaly access to the house's security systems. Then Doodah escapes the house, but only after Minerva has discovered that he is not her brother and sends her guards after him. Foaly then uses the security system to make it appear as though the house is under siege. Artemis watches as Minerva places the demon in the drunk of a car and Holly drives off with the car. However, the car is sabotaged and Holly is captured.

Chapter 8. Sudden Impact. The demon awakes and finds itself face to face with Minerva and Billy Kong. The demon miraculously finds himself able to speak their language and becomes so enamored with the language that he has trouble censoring himself. Kong becomes angry with the demon and fires his gun at him, causing Minerva to send him away. No1 then finds himself telling Minerva about the scared book of Hybras, only to learn it was a dime store romance that Minerva gave to Abbot herself when he found himself injured on Paradizo grounds. Minerva then tells No1 that she had captured him so that she could interrogate him about the demon invasion Abbot spoke of and take the information to the Nobel Prize board.



At the same time, Foaly uses Holly's helmet remotely to download everything on the Paradizo computers and then destroy all evidence from the computers and in Minerva's wall safe. At the same time, Holly is being interrogated by Billy Kong. Billy's brother once told him that there were demons that killed small children to keep him in the house at night and Billy had thought it was a lie, that his brother was killed by gangs, not demons. However, Billy knows the truth and he is determined to kill all demons, including Holly. However, Holly manages to mesmerize him and escape. As all this is happening, Artemis is speaking to Minerva on the phone. As they speak, the demon disappears.

Chapter 9. Turned Tables. No1 has not really disappeared. Holly has covered him with a foil that makes it appear as though he has disappeared. Holly then begins taking No1 out of the house, but he accidentally steps on the foil and loses its invisibility. Holly and No1 rush through the house in their attempt to escape while Foaly uses a laser on Holly's helmet to defend them. Once they are outside, Foaly shoots all the people with the stun laser and destroys the vehicles so that they cannot follow. Holly and No1 then meet up with Butler and Artemis to make their escape. However, Butler sees something on his laptop that worries him.

## Chapters 5-9 Analysis

Minerva is a lot like Artemis, a young girl who is much too intelligent for her age. Minerva has her eyes set on a Nobel Prize, thinking that proving demons exist and that they plan to invade earth will earn her the prize. This is why Minerva has kidnapped No1 and why her father indulges her schemes. However, Minerva does not fully understand what she is doing. If the world were to find out about fairies, it would cause a mass extinction of the entire race, something Artemis and Holly have fought against in earlier novels of the series.

Artemis is normally a human who is out for his own gain, looking for new ways to make money. This time Artemis is helping simply because he wants to protect the fairies. To this end, Artemis throws his know how and his resources into reclaiming the demon so that the fairy people can protect him. In the process, however, Artemis is going through puberty and this is causing him a great deal of trouble as he fights against Minerva. This suggests to the reader that Minerva might become a recurring character in Artemis's life and that there is still trouble for her to cause in this novel despite the fact that Artemis appears to have won this battle.





# Chapters 10-12

## Chapters 10-12 Summary

Chapter 10. Kong the King. Kong is unhappy when Minerva's father announces that they will not be going after the demon and that he thinks it is time for Minerva to begin concentrating on more age appropriate pursuits. Kong wants a demon for his own purposes. Kong takes over the entire compound, knocking out both Soto and Minerva's father. When Artemis and Butler see this happening on the surveillance cameras that are wired into Butler's laptop, Artemis calls Kong. Artemis arranges an exchange with Kong, the demon for Minerva.

Chapter 11. A Long Way Down. Kong chooses for the exchange the Taipei 101 building in Taiwan, one of the world's largest buildings. This building is so tall that the architects were concerned about the effect of the wind on it, so they built a large damper pendulum to absorb the force of the wind. This damper was then covered in silver and decorated with etchings by a famous artist. Artemis is pleased with this choice for reasons he does not have time to tell his friends. All Artemis tells them is that when the exchange is made, No1 should open his hand. The group goes up to the observation floor where the exchange is to be made in a restaurant. Holly goes invisible to watch over them. Artemis sends No1 to the table indicated and waits for Minerva. After the exchange, Kong tells No1 that he plans to strap a bomb to his back and send him back to Hybras where he will destroy all the demons. However, No1 opens his hand and the silver bullet that was anchoring him to earth falls out. No1 disappears. No1 quickly reappears because of the silver on the damper and Holly sneaks him up a floor. They then go down to the fortieth floor where Artemis is waiting.

Chapter 12. Heart of Stone. Artemis explains that the runes on No1 caused him to remember an art exhibit in the Taipei 101 because one of the exhibits, a stone sculpture, had similar runes. Artemis now thinks that the sculpture is really the warlocks from Hybras. Artemis thinks the warlocks turned themselves to stone when they fell from Hybras while creating the time spell. Now Artemis wants No1 to free them because they may be Hybras' only hope of repairing the time spell. Unfortunately, No1 does not know how to use magic. However, as he touches one of the figures, he hears a voice in his head that turns out to be the head warlock, Qwan. Qwan helps No1 figure out what to do and he is soon free. However, the other warlocks are dead.

As No1 was doing all this, Billy Kong and his crew have arrived, apparently having figured out the same thing Artemis did. Butler pulls Billy into the room and Holly knocks him out with her Neutrino. However, Minerva approaches the body and this causes Billy to get hold of her. At the same time, Billy's crew decides to come into the room. A fight breaks out. Holly has to cover a grenade with her helmet, using the last of her magic to repair broken bones from the blast. Butler puts down the rest of the thugs, but they have made so much noise the police are coming. Not only this, but one of the thugs has managed to handcuff the bomb to Holly's wrist.



Artemis instructs Holly to fly him and the demons to the building next door where they can escape the cops and defuse the bomb. Unfortunately, Holly's wings are not strong enough and the motor cuts out. Holly, Artemis, and two demons find themselves falling to their deaths, so Artemis removes the silver bracelet on No1's wrist, causing them to move through time. At the same time, Butler manages not only to talk his way out of trouble with the police, but to alert the police that Billy Kong is wanted for murder in Taipei.

## Chapters 10-12 Analysis

Kong has a memory from his childhood in which his brother lied to him about demons. However, having seen a real demon, Kong is convinced not only that demons are real, but that he needs to kill them all to avenge his brother's death. To this end, Kong kidnaps Minerva in an attempt to force her to get him another demon. When Artemis sees this, his growing affection for Minerva and his desire that no one be hurt causes him to come up with a scheme to get Minerva out of harm's way and to save Hybras.

Artemis and his team arrange an exchange with Kong in Taipei. However, things go wrong when Kong proves to be smarter than Artemis gave him credit for. Artemis is trying to save Hybras and his friends when Kong and his thugs complicate things. However, Butler proves his value when he takes care of the thugs and Artemis proves his smarts again when he saves himself, Holly, and the demons from certain death. Unfortunately, Artemis' plan includes moving through time, something that is uncertain and may cause unfortunate side effects.



# Chapters 13-16

## Chapters 13-16 Summary

Chapter 13. Out of Time. Artemis, Holly, and the demons travel through time, stopping briefly on the moon before landing in the volcano crater on Hybras. During the travel, Artemis managed to steal some magic from the others. When they reach Hybras, Artemis realizes that the instability of time on Hybras has given them more time to defuse the bomb. However, Artemis quickly discovers he cannot defuse the bomb because it is too complicated. Instead, Artemis suggests they use the blast of the bomb to take Hybras back through time to earth. To do this, however, Qwan tells him they will need at least two more magical beings.

Chapter 14. Leader of the Pack. Abbot is at a council meeting where he uses magical powers to mesmerize the other members and makes himself king. When Abbot learns that a human and other magical beings have arrived at the volcano, he orders the council members to arm themselves and go confront them. When they do confront them, Qwan recalls Abbot and names him as a saboteur who was responsible for weakening the time spell and causing the instability that they are now suffering. Abbot denies this, but Artemis points out proof of his magical powers that he must have gotten when he knocked Qwan's apprentice, Qweffor, into the volcano and they traveled through time together. Abbot orders his imps to attack. Holly tries to hold them back while sending Qwan, No1, and Artemis back into the crater to retrieve the bomb. However, the time spell has gotten more unstable and the island begins to move back and forth in time. Not only this, but whole chunks, as well as demons, begin to disappear. Qwan tells Artemis, that because he has magic, all they need is Abbot to complete the magic circle. However, convincing Abbot will be difficult. Then Abbot gets too close to Holly and kills her.

Chapter 15. Home Again, Home Again. Artemis sees Abbot kill Holly, but there is little he can do. Abbot then kills Qwan and No1. Artemis goes to Holly, takes her gun, and when the moment is right, he fires. The shot hits Abbot in the past, stopping him before he can kill Holly and the others. Holly then ties up Abbot and drags him to the magic circle. The five of them then join hands and Qwan tells Holly to concentrate on the where and Artemis on the when. Artemis is unsure he can do this, but soon finds himself pulled into the magic. As the spell begins to work, Qweffor's voice joins the others in the magic circle. Qweffor has been trapped in Abbot's body all these years and now he is able to help because Abbot is unconscious. The bomb explodes and the power sends the magic circle as well as the entire island through time. Everyone concentrates carefully, even as Qwan shows Qweffor his memories of what happened when the spell was first made and the warlocks were sabotaged by Abbot and his friend.

Chapter 16. Point of Impact. The return to earth is painful for Artemis. When he looks at Holly, he discovers that they have somehow exchanged an eye in the process. No1 confronts Abbot and uses his power to give Qweffor the conscience of the body they



share. Abbot's conscience would later be placed in a guinea pig. Foaly arrives with officers and medics from LEP. Foaly tells Holly and Artemis that three years have passed since they left. Foaly then drops Artemis at a cottage by the seaside where he finds Butler waiting for him. Artemis then learns that he has twin baby brothers.

## Chapters 13-16 Analysis

Artemis and Holly find themselves on Hybras where Abbot has ruled with an iron fist and used magic to keep the dissenters from rising up against him. This causes Artemis and Holly some trouble as they fight to fix the time spell and return Hybras to earth. A fight ensues that not only pits Holly against a large group of intelligent demons, but also causes them to fight the unstable time that the disintegrating time spell is causing. It is a very difficult situation that almost ends with Holly's death, but Artemis once again shows his intelligence when he saves her life.

Hybras returns to earth and the LEP is there to cover everything up and to help the survivors. No1 finally gets his revenge on Abbot and, in essence, against everyone who has ever teased him for being different. Artemis and Holly, however, are shocked to learn that they have been gone for three years and that life has gone on without them. It is a difficult thing for Artemis, especially when he learns his parents had twins in his absence.



# Characters

## Artemis Fowl

Artemis Fowl is a young Irish boy. Artemis' father was once involved in organized crime; therefore Artemis knows how to commit crimes and run a big business even though he is only fourteen. However, Artemis has recently become friends with a group of fairies and their adventures together have led Artemis to become a much kinder person.

Artemis has become aware of demons who travel unanchored through time. Artemis begins traveling all over the world to see these demons. However, when one of these demons appears at the wrong time and place, Artemis comes to realize that the time spell that keeps the demon island, Hybras, suspended in time is beginning to deteriorate. This causes Artemis concern and he volunteers to help the fairies take care of the problem. Before he can help, however, one of these demons is anchored on earth and kidnapped. Artemis then finds himself pulled into a plan to rescue the demon and hand him over to the fairies. In the process, Artemis finds a way to save Hybras, but it causes Artemis to lose three years of his family and friends' lives.

## Butler

Butler is Artemis's large and loveable bodyguard. Butler is a professional bodyguard, but he often finds himself pulled into unusual situations with Artemis. Butler helps Artemis carry out his crazy schemes. In this novel, Butler finds himself fighting a whole group of criminal thugs to protect Artemis, Holly Short, and two demons. However, when Artemis disappears while plunging to his death, Butler feels responsible and places his life on hold for three years while he waits for Artemis to return.

## Holly Short

Holly Short is an elf, a fairy of the first family. Holly was a cop with the LEP, but she quit when the commander died and was replaced by a man who placed his own career above all else. However, Holly is pulled back into the LEP when Artemis is seen moving through time with a demon. Holly contacts Artemis and finds herself pulled into rescuing a kidnapped demon. Holly goes along with Artemis' plan to save the demon, but things are not over when the demon is safe. The girl who kidnapped the demon is soon taken hostage by her own employee and Holly finds herself dragged into saving this girl as well in a scheme that Artemis promises will end with the rescue of Hybras. Unfortunately, this scheme takes three years of Holly's life.



## Minerva Paradizo

Minerva Paradizo is an intelligent twelve year-old girl who is a lot like Artemis. Minerva's family once rescued and gave care to a demon who found himself injured on their property. From this demon, Minerva learns that the demons plan to invade earth and attack humans. For this reason, Minerva kidnaps another demon with the hope of using it to get more details of this attack and earn herself a Nobel Prize. However, Artemis manages to rescue the demon from her clutches. One of Minerva's employees, Billy Kong, is not happy with Artemis's actions and he takes Minerva captive in hopes that she will be able to give him another demon he can use to exact revenge on the creatures he believes killed his brother years ago. This leads to Artemis rescuing Minerva.

## Imp No1

Imp No1 is a young imp who was born on Hybras. At fourteen, Imp No1 is long past the age at which most imps warp into demons. For this reason, No1 is often teased not only by his fellow classmates, but by his teachers and the pride leader, Abbot. No1 thinks that he is destined to be the first demon warlock in many generations and tries to ignore the teasing of his classmates. Abbot then mesmerizes No1 and makes him leave Hybras by unanchoring himself. No1 finds himself on earth and quickly kidnapped by Minerva and her crew. No1 is rescued by Artemis who encourages No1 to explore his warlock characteristics, eventually allowing No1 to find one of the ancient warlocks from Hybra and saving Hybras from its deteriorating time spell.

## Qwan

Qwan is the ancient leader of the warlocks who led the magic circle that lifted Hybras off of earth. Qwan, however, was thrown off the island as the spell began to work when Abbot and a friend tried to sabotage them. Qwan turned himself and the other warlocks into stone to protect them as they fell to the sea, but Qwan was the only one to survive. No1 releases Qwan from the stone and Qwan helps lead a new magic circle that returns Hybras to earth.

## Leon Abbot

Leon Abbot is a demon. Abbot is the pride leader of the demons on Hybras. Abbot became leader when he left Hybras through the time tunnel and returned, the only demon to ever return. Abbot brought with him a book and a crossbow from earth that he said would help them rise up against and defeat the humans. All demons have come to think of this book as sacred even though it is only a badly written romance. In the end, it turns out that Abbot tried to sabotage the spell that brought Hybras out of time and destroyed all the warlocks. Not only this, but Abbot's body fused with the body of a warlock, giving him powers he has used to mesmerize his enemies over the years.



## **Billy Kong or Jonah Lee**

Billy Kong is a criminal who grew up both in Malibu and Taiwan. Billy Kong is hired by the Paradizo family to help in the kidnapping of a demon. When Kong sees the demon for the first time, he comes to believe that a story his brother once told him about demons who ate children was true. For this reason, Kong decided that he must kill all demons to get revenge for his brother's death. Kong kidnaps Minerva to make her find him a new demon, but then Artemis offers to trade No1 for Minerva. However, Artemis tricks Kong, getting both Minerva and No1. For this reason, Kong goes after Artemis and is later caught by the police. Butler then tells the police Kong's real name, Jonah Lee, a man who is wanted for murder in Taiwan.

## **Mulch Diggums**

Mulch Diggums is a dwarf who was once a criminal but is now Holly Short's business partner. Dwarfs are like gophers, they dig under the ground and live on the dirt and stuff they get out of their holes. Mulch helps Artemis and Holly by getting Doodah Day close to the Paradizo property so that Doodah Day can plant a fiber optic cable that allows Holly and Foaly access to the security system in Minerva's house.

## **Doodah Day**

Doodah Day is a pixie who is wanted for transporting illegal fish at the beginning of the novel. Holly, who is working as a private detective, tries to take Doodah in for the bond. Instead, Holly uses Doodah Day later as she and Artemis are trying to rescue No1 from Minerva.



## Objects/Places

### Neutrino

Holly's neutrino is a gun she uses to stun people.

### Beau's Car

Beau, Minerva's five year-old brother, has an electric car. Doodah gives this car added power and uses it to escape Minerva while helping with No1's rescue.

### Holly's Helmet

Holly has a helmet that has many gadgets including a computer, bounce capability, and a laser.

### Bomb

Kong has a bomb with which he plans to destroy all of Hybras. Instead, the bomb is handcuffed to Holly. Eventually Qwan uses the bomb's power to save Hybras.

### Lower Elements

Lower Elements is the world deep in the earth where the fairies live.

### LEP

LEP is the Lower Elements Police. Holly was a captain with this force, but quit when she had a disagreement with the new leader.

### Section Eight

Section Eight is a special, super-secret section of the LEP. Holly is recruited to this group when they realize they need her to help get information from Artemis Fowl

### Taipei 101

Taipei 101 is one of the tallest buildings in the world where a damper is used to keep the force of the wind from toppling the building. This is where the exchange of Minerva and No1 takes place.





## **Barcelona, Spain**

Artemis goes to Barcelona to see a demon materialize in his time for a few seconds. This demon appears, but in the wrong place, alerting Artemis that something is going wrong with the demon island of Hybras.

## **Naples**

Minerva lives in Naples. This is where Minerva takes No1 after kidnapping him.

## **Taiwan**

Jonah Lee is from Taiwan. This is also where the exchange between Minerva and No1 takes place.

## **Hybras**

Hybras is the demon island that was moved off of earth during the war with humans thousands of years ago.



# Themes

## Friendship

Friendship is a theme in this novel shown by the relationships that exist between Artemis and Butler as well as Artemis and Holly. In this novel, Butler proves to be more than just a bodyguard to Artemis when he waits three years for Artemis to return from Hybras. Butler places his life on hold to be there for Artemis when he returns, proving that his commitment to Artemis goes much deeper than employer-employee.

At the same time, Artemis and Holly have become good friends through

their adventures together. Artemis and Holly have teamed together on many occasions to save the fairy world and to save Artemis's father. However, this time Artemis is forced to watch as Holly is murdered by Abbot the demon. Artemis is heartbroken, but once again proves his incredible intelligence when he is able to use the time instability on Hybras to save her life.

Another demonstration of friendship as a theme of this novel is when Artemis develops a friendship with Minerva. Minerva is a girl much like Artemis, a young girl who is highly intelligent and ambitious. Artemis, who is going through puberty, is beginning to notice pretty girls and Minerva is a very pretty girl. When all is said and done, Artemis and Minerva prove to be quite attached to one another, again showing friendship as a strong theme of the novel.

## Magic

There are many magical elements to this novel. The existence of Holly Small, Foaly, and all their friends is a little magical all on its own because they are all fairies, living inside the earth in hiding from humans. Holly can even use magic to heal herself when she is injured or to make herself invisible to keep humans from seeing her.

Magic is also brought out as a theme of the novel on the island of Hybras, where fairies of the eighth family, demons, live. This island had been lifted out of time and away from earth during the war with the humans to protect the demons. However, the spell is beginning to deteriorate, causing demons to move through time if they are not anchored to their world or ours with silver.

On Hybras there are no longer any warlocks because they were all destroyed when the island was lifted off of earth. However, No1, an imp who has failed to warp, believes he is a warlock. This proves to be true and No1 turns out to be a very powerful warlock who helps return Hybras to earth.

## Bullying

Bullying emerges as a central theme of the novel with No1 suffering a great deal of bullying because of his failure to warp. No1's classmates makes fun of him because of his advancing age without warping. Worse, however, is the bullying No1 suffers at the hands of the pride leader, Leon Abbot. Abbot shows scorn to No1 in front of everyone, clearly outraged that No1 has failed to warp despite his age. It is a difficult situation that leaves No1 deeply unhappy.

At the same time, Abbot is also a bully to the other demons on Hybras. In fact Abbot has some magic that he received when his body combined with a warlock the day the original magic circle was conducted to lift Hybras off earth. Abbot uses this magic to mesmerize others and control the thoughts and behaviors of his enemies.

# Style

## Point of View

The novel is written in the third person omniscient point of view. The author uses multiple characters to tell his story, including Artemis Fowl, Butler, Holly Short, and Mulch Diggums. In using the third person point of view, the author allows the reader to hear the narrator's thoughts and feelings, but he also allows himself the latitude to change narrating characters to fit the action that is important at different points of the novel.

The point of view of this novel works well because it allows the reader to see the action in the plot from different eyes. The narrator often tells the same story more than once, allowing the reader to see the events through different eyes so that the reader can understand how certain things came to pass or how each of the characters felt about the actions. This works well with the plot because of the highly intelligent schemes of Artemis Fowl and because it allows the reader to understand how other characters feel about those schemes.

## Setting

The novel is set in many places including Barcelona, Naples, Ireland, and Taiwan. Some scenes also take place on the demon island of Hybras. These different locations are as diverse as they are exciting, providing an interesting backdrop to a highly intelligent plot.

The settings of the novel evoke the sense of an international spy novel, giving the reader a sense of power as well as a sense of adventure. The settings keep the characters jumping and that in turn keeps the reader from getting bored. The settings of Hybras and the Lower Elements also gives some authenticity to the idea of the existence of fairies. All the settings of the novel tend to work well with the plot.

## Language and Meaning

The main character of these novels is a highly intelligent teenager. Therefore the language of this novel, simple English, has a sophisticated turn to it that gives it a little more authenticity as to the identity of the main character. Not only this, but when other characters are acting as narrators, the author tends to change his language only slightly, just enough to make the reader believe that a person just as educated, but perhaps less intelligent, is taking over the narration.

The language of this novel works because the author remains true to his main character. Artemis Fowl is a highly intelligent young man and all of his companions are

older people, people who are educated and would understand and perhaps speak similarly to how Artemis speaks.

## **Structure**

The novel is divided into sixteen chapters. Each chapter has a title of its own that reflects some event that takes place in the chapter. The chapters are fairly long, each told in both narration and dialogue, presenting full scenes to the reader.

The novel contains one main plot and multiple subplots. The main plot follows Artemis as he tries to help save Hybras from destruction. One of the subplots follows No1 as he deals with bullying and makes the trip to earth. Another subplot follows Artemis as he deals with Minerva's kidnapping of No1. All the plots come to a satisfactory conclusion at the end of the novel.



## Quotes

"Happy was not a word often used to describe Artemis Fowl's bodyguard."  
Chapter 1, pg. 8

"Holly Short's career as an elfin private investigator was not working out as well as she'd hoped."  
Chapter 2, pg. 17

"And if he couldn't scare himself, then he was not a scary creature and might as well get a job changing baby imps' diapers."  
Chapter 3, pg. 37

"Butler was even less happy here than he had been in Barcelona. At least for the Spain trip he'd had a few days to prepare, but for this jaunt he barely had time to catch up on his martial arts routines."  
Chapter 4, pg. 54

"The mere mention of that gnome's name drove Holly's blood pressure up a few points. Commander Ark Sool was the reason she had quit LEP in the first place."  
Chapter 5, pg. 73

"My kind of people, thought Mulch. Or at least they used to be before I threw in with Holly."  
Chapter 6, pg. 82

"When Holly Short had opened the door of her makeshift basement cell, she had found her helmet bouncing on the spot in front of her with a 3-D image of Foaly's face projected onto it."  
Chapter 9, pg. 126

"Taipei 101 is among the tallest buildings in the world. Some say it is the tallest, if the sixty foot spire can be counted, but others argue that a spire is not a building, and so Taipei 101 can technically only be called the tallest structure in the world."  
Chapter 11, pg. 146

"How terrible it must have been, No1 reflected, to see your home dematerialize and be left behind. To know it was all your own fault."  
Chapter 12, pg. 153

"They were ripped from their own dimension and dragged through wormholes of space and time with only their consciousness intact."  
Chapter 13, pg. 174



"Artemis was hauling the bomb when the big shift came."  
Chapter 15, pg. 199

"Big brother? he thought, and then....Twins!"  
Chapter 16, pg. 221



## Topics for Discussion

Who is Artemis Fowl? Why is he in Barcelona in the first chapter? How does Artemis get pulled back in time? How does he end up back in his own time? What does Artemis change in the past? Who saves Artemis? Who is upset about Artemis's involvement in this situation? Why does this group want to know what Artemis knows? Who do they ask to help them?

Who is Holly Short? Why is she famous? How does this act as a detriment in her new profession? Who is Holly chasing in the second chapter? For what reason? What happens when she catches this person? Why does Holly let him go? What job does Holly take later in the second chapter? For what reason?

Who is No1? Why is he called No1? Why is he made fun of by his classmates? Why does the pride leader make fun of him? Why does No1 feel as though he would be better off if he left Hybras? Will he? What changes for No1 on earth? How does No1 respond to living on earth?

Who is Butler? How does he help Artemis? Why does Butler follow Artemis around? Why does Butler become involved in the rescue of No1? What does Butler do? Why does Butler do nothing to save Holly when she is captured by Minerva? Who tells him to wait? Why does Butler alert Artemis to trouble after rescuing Holly and No1? What does this lead to?

Who is Minerva? Why is Artemis fascinated by her? Why did Minerva kidnap No1? What does she plan to do with him? For what reason? Why does Artemis want to stop her? What is it that Artemis is afraid Minerva plans to do? How does Minerva respond to Artemis's interference? How does Artemis respond to Minerva?

Who is Billy Kong? Why does he want to kill all the demons? Why does Billy Kong take control of Paradizos property? What plan does Billy Kong have for No1 when he exchanges Minerva for the demon? How does this plan fail? For what reason? How is Billy Kong eventually arrested for murder?

What is wrong with Hybras? Why does it cause the demons to float through time unanchored? Who caused this problem with Hybras? Who wants to fix it? How does Artemis figure out what is wrong with Hybras? Why does Artemis use No1 to help him fix Hybras? How is Hybras finally repaired? What does this do to Artemis and Holly?