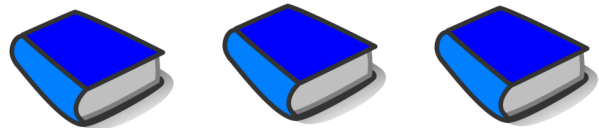




Half Bad

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Mrs Smith's rating



There are two different types of witches in Half Bad. There are white witches who represent the good in this novel and the black witches represent evil. Half Bad is written through the perspective of sixteen-year-old Nathan whose mother was a white witch and his father a black witch. Nathan is half bad because of his parents and therefore he can't be trusted because of his 'dark blood'.

For Nathan to become a full witch and access his witch magic he must receive three gifts from someone who loves him, this proves difficult as his father is a feared dark witch who is constantly on the run and killing those that cross his path, and his mother killed herself when he was little leaving him with his gran and his half brother and sister. With the government breathing down his neck because of the threat of his father and assessing Nathan's progress to evaluate how bad his blood is, he must fight opposing people to receive his three gifts. If Nathan doesn't receive his three gifts before his 17th birthday, what awaits him is an excruciating death. Can he do it in time?

Half Bad is a unique twist on the world of witches and although I found it slow at times, it maybe needed a little bit more action, I will read the second book as it had me gripped by the end of it and I really want to know what happens to the characters that I'm now invested. I won't rush to read it but I will read it when my To Be Read list goes down!