ARTEMIS FOWL

VOCABULARY

The following is a selection of vocabulary words listed in order of appearance in ARTEMIS FOWL (written by Eoin Colfer, published in 2001). Review this list before reading the novel to assess the level of difficulty of the novel or simply to learn more words.

a ragged apron does not a waiter

make

wearing a ragged apron does not mean that one is a good waiter.

full to bursting

full to the point of letting the content spill out of its container.

to lug

to drag or haul (an object) laboriously.

bosun

variant of boatswain, a warrant officer or petty officer in charge of a ship's

rigging, anchors, cables, and deck crew.

every inch the gentleman

a perfect gentleman.

to sling

a looped rope, strap, or chain for supporting, cradling, or hoisting

something.

to blurt out

to utter suddenly and impulsively.

to lop off

to cut (parts) off a tree or body.

slapdash

hasty and careless, as in execution.

moot

to discuss or debate.

to lumber somebody with

(informal) to burden with something unpleasant.