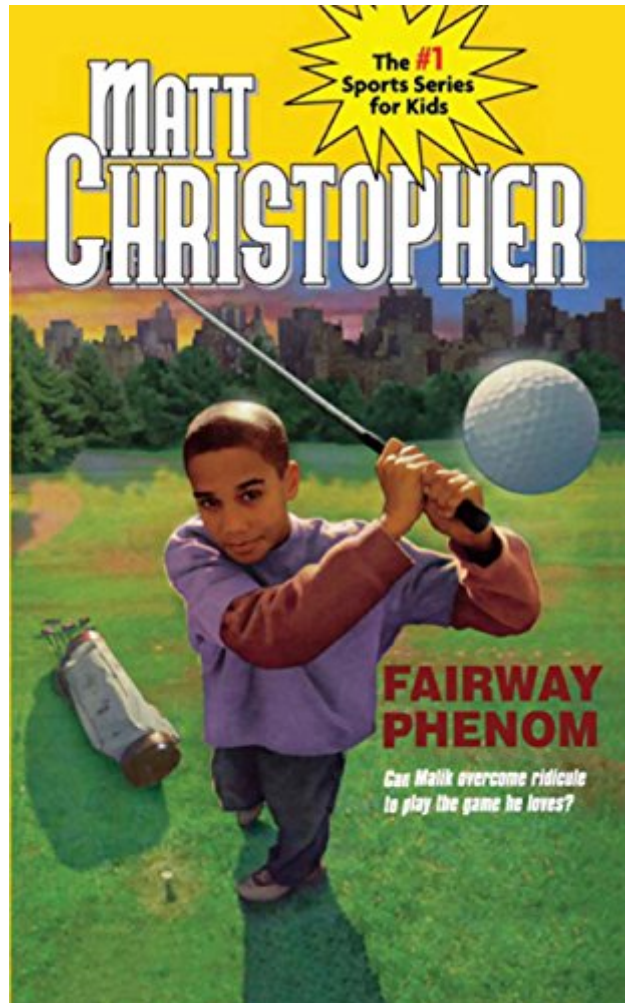


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Synopsis

Malik Edwards has never had any intention of playing golf. In his mind, golf is a game played by old, flabby men wearing funny pants and hats. Then one day while channel surfing he sees a young black golfer being cheered on by a crowd of adoring fans. Suddenly golf's image changes for Malik. Yet, even if he wanted to play, where would he get the gear or the money? And where is a kid living in Brooklyn, New York, supposed to play golf? Malik's growing desire to learn the sport of golf help him overcome these obstacles, but the biggest obstacle-the ridicule of his friends-still sits in his path.

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Customer Reviews

I purchased this book a few years ago as a Christmas present for my nephew--to encourage him to read more; He an active boy who doesn't often settle down to read, so I chose a topic he loves, golf, and an author that an acquaintance recommended. Caleb said he loved it. It was a hit! Thanks, Matt Christopher.

I loved this book. It takes place in Brooklyn, New York. Malik, a boy who lives in Brooklyn, likes to play stickball with his friend Luis. One day Malik is watching TV and nothing is on except soccer with French narration and golf. "BORING!" When he is on the golf channel he sees a young African American man playing golf. He is playing better than every one else. He hits the ball beyond the other player's balls; it is amazing. Then he gets the idea to play golf and does not let Luis or his mother find out. But this turns into a disaster. Will things get better for Malik and will he stick with golf? You'll have to find that out by reading this exciting book. This book is juicy and it might just get you started in golf. It also teaches good lessons such as trusting your friends and trying new things. I really recommend this book because it is interesting with a lot of facts about golf. This book is so well written you might just want to read it again.

As a long time reader of many Matt Christopher books, I normally would read the basketball, football, and baseball stories. Not being a golfer, this book attracted my interest. It was well written and a great story of an inner city young man who decides to give golf a try and the obstacles he faces. I would highly recommend this book, even for the non-golfers out there.

The boys in the book club got through this book very quickly and ran outside to start a game of golf as a group.

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