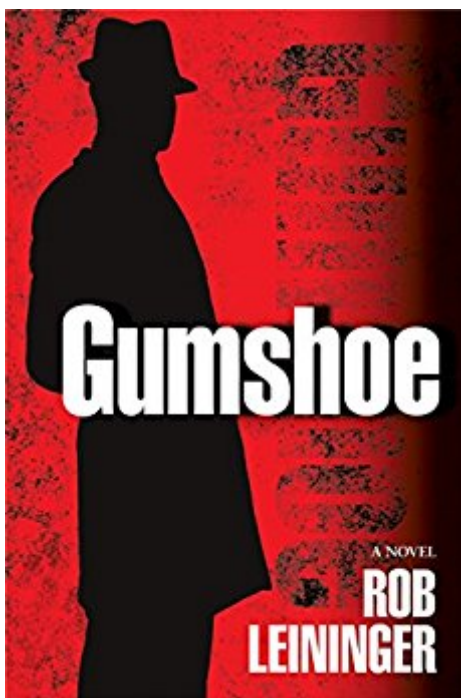


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Gumshoe (The Mortimer Angel Series)



Synopsis

For nine long days, the mayor and district attorney of Reno, Nevada, have been missing. Vanished without a trace. Their vehicles were found parked side-by-side at Reno-Tahoe International Airport. Did they fly somewhere together? They aren't on any flight manifest. Did the two of them take off with a big pile of the city's money? If so, the city accountants can't find it. Were they murdered? There's no sign of foul play. Their disappearances have finally made national news. Enter Mortimer Angel, who'd just quit a thankless job as an IRS agent. Mort is Reno's newest gumshoe, a private-eye-in-training at his nephew's detective agency. Just four hours into his new career, Mort finds the mayor's make that, the mayor's head in the trunk of Mort's ex-wife's Mercedes. The news-hungry media speculates: Did Mort kill the mayor? Did Mort's ex? As events begin to spin out of control, Mort realizes things have been out of control since the night before he started his new career, the night he found the unknown naked blonde in his bed.

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Customer Reviews

After finishing a couple of chapters I wasn't sure I wanted to keep reading this book. Put it away for awhile and then came back to it. I didn't really get into the characters or storyline but I kept going. Ultimately I finished the book but it didn't keep me interested. Maybe others will find it enjoyable but I didn't.

Unfortunately for me, I read 2 other works by this author first which were Richter Ten and Killing Suki Flood. After those 2 the change just never captured my imagination as I had been completely spoiled. Gumshoe was okay ... I battled it a bit but perhaps the developments of the characters will improve going forward.

Spoiler alert. Rape of fourteen years old girl, at birth didn't get enough oxygen. All grown up but has mentally four years old. Rich fathers cowered up, but one kept on raping even his daughter and grand daughter. Gruesome murders.

Mort Angel is a wise-cracking private eye in training, who I have fallen in love with! What an interesting, funny, smartass character. Rob Leininger has managed to create an original and addictive character, who I hope will be around for many more adventures, that we readers will have the great opportunity to enjoy! This is one hell of a start to a fantastic series! Let the fun begin!

A slow start, but got better as the story progressed. I could have done without all the descriptions of what each character wore, except when it told something about that characters personality. Relatively few typos and only one POV switch that I noticed.

Riposte(s) aside, this story is a little over the top. The bad girls are grizzly killers, but unrealistic. Characters were superficially interesting, as presented by the author. Needed work.

This starts out slow, but gets better as you go. A bit gruesome and definitely a man viewpoint...but somewhat enjoyable. The ending made up for some really slow beginnings.

I read a lot of detective fiction but this book surprised me with how good it was, it had a bit of humor and a bit of humanity mixed into the mystery and I loved it! I won't post any spoilers except to say the climax will knock you on your behind, it is so jaw-dropping in its execution! I can't wait to read the next book in the series and hope there are more to come as I will be keeping an eye out for

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