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Book Review

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Rating

Outstanding

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Intermediate

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In Paris, Cassidy Blake discovers another paranormal mystery. Spending the summer recording her parents' ghost-hunting show called *The Inspectors*, Cassidy enters the catacombs with her ghost-bestie Jacob, only to encounter a poltergeist who has a short temper and no memory of his death. Worse still, Cassidy's British friend, Lara, informs her that poltergeists can cause serious damage and will continue to increase in power as more time is spent on the living side of the veil. Unraveling the poltergeist's story, they are able to send the spirit on, but they soon find they must defeat a new, destructive power lurking at the train station.

While not for squeamish readers, this book is filled with delightful chills and quiver-worthy creeps that provide a great background for the fearless young ghost hunter and caring, responsible parents. The family dynamic of this series creates a comfortable atmosphere that balances the paranormal action to perfection. Cassidy is surrounded by safe people, which takes some edge off some of the scary and intense passages where Cassidy is in danger or literally crawling over dusty old bones. There is no violence here, just plenty of ghosts and graveyards to develop Cassidy's skills. Cassidy models friendship and responsibility, and she is intelligent, kind, and loyal, making this book an excellently written tween paranormal thriller.