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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Grade 8–10—A supernatural twist on the "Mean Girls" plot provides page-turning action. Cass McKenna sees ghosts. Her first spotting was her sister Paige, who failed to pass on to the afterlife following a drowning accident. Unfortunately for Cass, Paige and the ghosts that inhabit her school are her only friends. A junior-high bullying incident left her jaded and angry, and as revenge, she uses her supernatural informants to spill her classmates' juiciest secrets. When the student council VP discovers her covert ability, Cass unwillingly helps him contact his dead mother, leading to changes in her social status. Cass isn't the most lovable of protagonists, but her resentment is well developed and convincingly sustained throughout. Mysterious plot elements and the budding relationship between Cass and the VP will quickly engage reluctant readers.—*Lindsay Cesari, Baldwinsville School District, NY* END

Review

"A poignant character study of a deeply wounded girl moving toward a nuanced, forgiving view of humanity. Crewe's first effort will make readers wonder what else she's got up her sleeve." -Kirkus Reviews

"This coming-of-age novel avoids unrealistically neat moments of closure--it will make readers hurt, and maybe even believe." -Publishers Weekly

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"A school-dynamics story with a great original hook, this will booktalk like a dream--or a supernatural visitation." -BCCB

About the Author

Like many authors, Megan Crewe finds writing about herself much more difficult than making things up. A few definite facts: she lives with her husband, son, and three cats in Toronto, Canada (and does on occasion say "eh"), she tutors children and teens with special needs, and she has yet tomake friends with a ghost, though she welcomes the opportunity. She is also the author of the YA post-apocalyptic Fallen World trilogy (*The Way We Fall, The Lives We Lost*, and *The Worlds We Make*) and the YA science fiction Earth & Sky trilogy (*Earth & Sky, The Clouded Sky*, and *A Sky Unbroken*).

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