

Ghostopolis

Doug TenNapel

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I reviewed the book Ghostopolis by Doug TenNapel. It is the story of a young boy with cancer called Garth that will die soon. He is accidentally sent into the afterlife due to an incompetent ghost cop named Frank. For doing so, Frank loses his job and yet he visits a ghost that helps him into the afterlife so he can right his wrong. While Frank and Garth are in the afterlife they gain amazing power since they are still alive. When they arrive they immediately gain the attention of the government in the afterlife. This government is located in the biggest city in the afterlife, called Ghostopolis. Not surprisingly, this government is corrupt and is run by a living being named Vaugner who was accidentally sent there twenty years ago. Since he is living he has immense power and yet, in the end, Garth with the help of Frank defeat Vaugner and set things right in the world of Ghostopolis.

I liked the concept that there is a afterlife in the book even though I am not religious. I liked the plot because there were plot twists here and there that completely threw me off in the book. However, there were some technicalities the book did not address. One example is that there would be technology that can send ghosts and living people into the afterlife. I think that there would be an issue with this since that means that these accidents can happen a lot more frequently and would be unsafe for the general public. This book would be most suited for young adults from 10-16. I would recommend that you get this book from the library as it is a good read and for sure one to share with others.

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