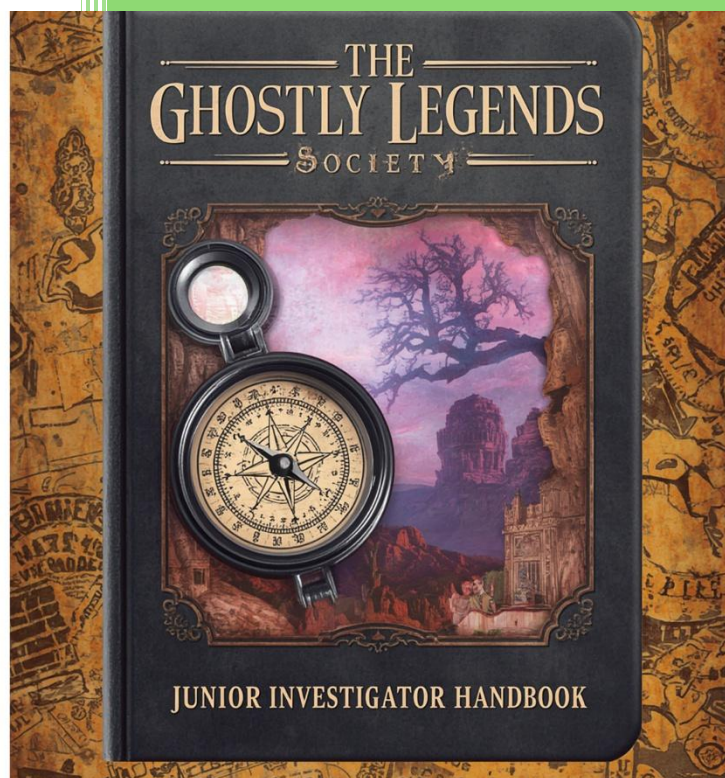


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JUNIOR INVESTIGATOR HANDBOOK



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THE GHOSTLY LEGENDS SOCIETY
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Official Field Guide for New Recruits
By L.D. Smith

Welcome, Investigator!

Congratulations! By opening this handbook, you have taken the first step toward becoming an official Junior Investigator of the Ghostly Legends Society.

The world is full of mysteries. Some are hidden in old legends. Some are buried in history. Others are right in front of us, waiting for someone observant enough to notice them.

The members of the Ghostly Legends Society—Ava, Maya, Jamie, and Leo—have learned that solving mysteries requires curiosity, patience, courage, and respect for the world around us.

This handbook contains activities, challenges, and information that will help you develop the skills every investigator needs.

Remember:

The best detectives don't just look.

They notice.

— L.D. Smith

MEET THE GHOSTLY LEGENDS SOCIETY

AVA

A thoughtful observer who notices details others miss. Ava loves animals, nature, and asking questions.



MAYA

Smart, determined, and resourceful. Maya enjoys solving puzzles and uncovering hidden clues.



JAMIE

Brave and adventurous. Jamie is always ready to explore a new trail or investigate a strange story.



LEO

Creative and curious. Leo often sees connections that other people overlook. He is also the tech genius of the group.



Together, they form the Ghostly Legends Society, a group dedicated to exploring legends, investigating mysteries, and protecting the secrets they discover.

JUNIOR INVESTIGATOR CHALLENGE #1

Look around the room you are currently in.

Write down:

- 5 things that are blue
- 3 things that make noise
- 2 things you never noticed before today

Observation is the most important skill an investigator can develop.

ARIZONA MYSTERY CHALLENGE

Can you solve these mysteries?

What legendary lost gold mine is said to be hidden somewhere in Arizona's Superstition Mountains?

What giant, hairy creature is rumored to roam the forests near Payson and the Mogollon Rim?

What famous Arizona legend tells of a mysterious red beast carrying a human skeleton on its back?

FIELD NOTES PAGE

Mystery Observed:

Date:

Location:

What clues did you notice?

OFFICIAL JUNIOR INVESTIGATOR CERTIFICATE

This certifies that
has demonstrated curiosity, observation, and a willingness to explore the
unknown and is hereby recognized as an Official Junior Investigator of the
Ghostly Legends Society.

Signed,
L.D/ Smith
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