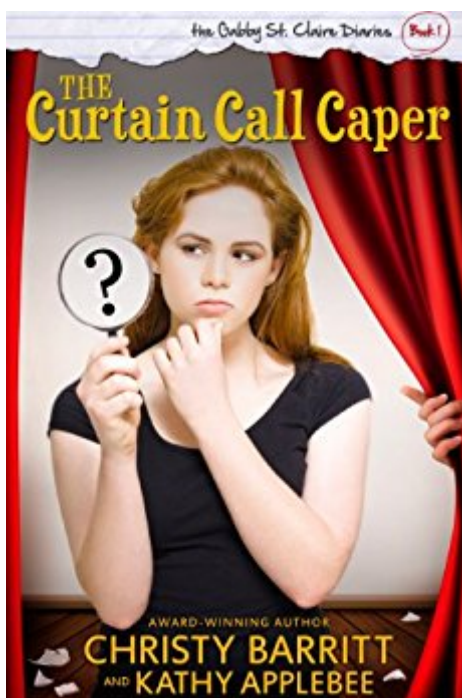


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Synopsis

Is a ghost haunting the Oceanside Middle School auditorium? What else could explain the disasters surrounding the school play—everything from missing scripts to a falling spotlight and damaged props? All seventh grader Gabby St. Claire has dreamed about is being a part of her school's musical. But a series of unfortunate events threatens to shut down the whole production. While trying to track down the culprit and save her fifteen minutes of fame, she also has to manage impossible teachers, cliques, her dysfunctional family, and a secret she can't even tell her best friend. Will Gabby figure out who or what is sabotaging the show . . . or will it be curtains for her and the rest of the cast? Perfect reading for middle grade readers. Grade: 5th and up. Age: 10 and up. The Gabby St. Claire Diaries follows the life of a young Gabby St. Claire, as featured in the Squeaky Clean Mystery series. Other books in series: The Disappearing Dog Dilemma The Bungled Bike Burglaries

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Customer Reviews

I am a huge fan of Christy Barritt and I love the Squeaky Clean series. This book is the first of three that show us how a middle school aged Gabby St. Claire becomes the ditsy, sassy and lovable investigator we love in the full series. In this story, someone is trying to sabotage the school play and it is up to Gabby to figure out who before the play gets cancelled or someone gets hurt. Young girls will love it!

I used this book when I was homeschooling a friend's daughter. Finding books she enjoyed or getting her to read was a challenge, but she fell in love with this book. She enjoyed the books so much, that she created her own stage out of Legos to use when she gave her report on the book. She used the Lego stage and props she had constructed to "act out" the book for her report. This series is based off Christy Barritt's Squeaky Clean Series, in that the main character is Gabby St. Clair. The difference between these and the Squeaky Clean Series is that in these Gabby is in Middle School and the mysteries and crimes in these books deal more with things kid's can relate too.

I have LOVED reading all the Squeaky Clean Mysteries, so I was anxious to read about young Gabby and how she got started solving mysteries. True, it is a tween mystery, great for 4th - 6th graders maybe, but it was still fun to get some insight into Gabby's childhood. I would highly recommend it to young girls, especially if they enjoy mysteries. When I was young, I read every Nancy Drew book I could get my hands on! Unfortunately, many of the books out there today do not have good role models or moral lessons included in them, so I am glad Christy is also writing for young people.

This over-the-top middle school drama entwined with suspense, humor, and serious life questions should appeal to readers of that age. Meet Gabby St. Claire, a seventh grader who wants to survive the school year and not mess up everything she touches. Fortunately, she has one true friend to help her navigate the treacherous waters of adolescence. As Gabby wonders, How did people manage to grow up without giving up? I'm sure most can identify with her daily dilemmas and enjoy reading about someone else's problems, which may even shed light on handling your own. I received this book from the author in exchange for an honest review.

This book is a very interesting type of book. It takes you places where no other thing/person can take you. The Curtain Call Caper is one of those books that grab your attention and it doesn't let go. It leaves you hanging on the edge waiting to see what comes next. I think this needs to go on my 20 top book list. I would recommend this book for people who like mysteries and solving things within books.Chelsea

Another hit for Christy Barritt! I just love the way her stories flow, and keep you guessing until the end as to who done it! Keep up the good work Christy, and I can't wait to read your next new novel.

Another great book by Christy Barrett. Gives a great perspective on Gabby s childhood. Love all of the books in the st Clair series.

I love Christy's quirky writing style in this book.

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