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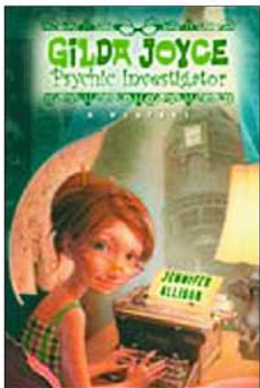
STUDENT BOOK REVIEW

Gilda Joyce, Psychic Investigator

By Jennifer Allison

Published by Penguin Group

Gilda Joyce, *Psychic Investigator* is a great book about a girl who is in the eighth grade. Gilda Joyce is sitting in Mrs. Weinstock's English classroom listening to her classmates discuss what they're doing over summer break. Then Mrs. Weinstock asks Gilda, "What are your plans for the summer?" She didn't want to tell Mrs.



Weinstock that she would be spying on a man she nicknamed, Plaid Pants, so she made up a lie, saying, "I'll be going to San Francisco and writing a novel." Later on in the book, Gilda does go to San Francisco when her uncle's secretary invites her. Also, while she's there, she becomes friends with her cousin, Juliet, who tells Gilda about her Aunt Mallanie, who jumped from the tower window in her house to her death. Then Gilda says that she will solve the mystery of her Aunt Mallanie's death. Gilda

wants to know what's in that tower and so does Juliet, but it's locked and they can't be by it. They soon succeed in opening the tower and finding out about Aunt Mallanie.

I like this book because it shows that kids could actually solve a mystery by a little investigation.

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