

Discussion Topics & Questions

Premonition of Terror by Kathryn Orzech explores various occult and spiritual beliefs.

The author's real-life website DreamWatch.com, true paranormal experiences of everyday people, inspired the story when she wondered, What if premonitions from around the world predict the same catastrophic event?

What would *you* do if no one believed? How far would *you* go to stop it?

PARANORMAL EXPERIENCES

Premonitions, Dreams & Visions

Known by many names, when second sight kicks in, you know it. You dream it. Sometimes you hear, see or smell it.

- Have you glimpsed the future or experienced some type of paranormal event? In what form? How would you categorize your experience?
Personal Premonition: warning of danger or death to you, family, friends, co-workers, or someone you know.
Strangers in Danger: Accident. Crime. Fire. Warning of danger or death involving people you do not know.
Natural Disaster: a crisis event caused by nature e.g. earthquake, flood, tornado, tsunami, volcanic eruption, etc.
Man-made Crisis: major event of national or international interest has some human involvement (not by nature): bridge collapse, plane crash, shooting, terrorism, etc.
- What did you see, hear, smell, feel?
- Did the prediction come to be true? Or is it still to come?
- If a friend saw danger to you in a dream or premonition, would you want to know?
- Have you warned someone about a premonition? How did they react?

Spirits & Ghosts

Ghosts are sometimes accompanied by a physical manifestation like the smell of flowers, favorite foods, or even tobacco smoke. Note: Though ghosts and spirits may be defined in slightly different terms, the author interchanges the words.

- Have you seen or sensed a loved one back from the hereafter? Where were you when it happened? What did you see, hear, smell, feel? What was your response?
- Have you seen or sensed a pet ghost back from the other side?
- Kids often see or sense ghosts. How old were you when you first saw a ghost? Did you tell anyone? Did they believe you?
- Has your young child or any youngster talked of seeing ghosts?
- Have you experienced phantom smells, sounds, lights? Describe the experience.
- Have you heard supernatural sounds like creaks, scratching, or other noises.
- Have you heard cries, moans, whispers, singing, or other voices?
- Have you seen lights, orbs or shadows? Describe.
- Have you been on a Ghost Walking Tour?
- Has your camera or recorder caught any phantom sight or sound?

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Haunted Places

Haunted places are those creepy locations where ghosts are known to hang out: abandoned asylums or prisons, haunted houses, old theaters, churches, historical courthouse, graveyard, etc.

In *Premonition of Terror*, Prague is noted as one of Europe's most haunted cities.

- Do you know of a place in your area rumored to be haunted?
- Do you seek or avoid haunted places?
- What physical reaction did you experience e.g. chills, hair on back of neck, pain, nausea, etc.? Describe where you were, what happened, and what you felt.

RELATIONSHIPS

Brothers & Sisters

In *Premonition of Terror*, Kate and her brother share a close relationship despite bumps.

- In your experience, is blood thicker than water?
- Who would you trust with a secret, a sibling or best friend?
- Can your sibling depend on you? Can you rely on a sibling no matter what?
- If you needed help would your first call be to a sibling or your best friend?

Friends, Best Friends & Lovers

Best friends Kate and Coop don't share common interests, financial status, or religious beliefs. Shared values, common history and trust cement their bond.

- Do you have lifelong best friend? More than one?
- What qualities e.g. honesty, trust, loyalty, do you value in a "best" friendship?
- What matters most to you, duration of friendship or qualities?
- Can you call your best friend 24/7? Are they your first emergency call?
- When you have good news to share, are they your first call?
- Did your good intentions ever backfire and cause hurt to a friend or lover?
Did you remain friends?

SECURITY & THREATS

Terrorist Threats

We are often urged "See Something. Say Something." Do you know what to look for?

- If you witnessed wrongdoing, would you report it, ignore it, or run for your life?
- If your well-being was threatened, would you report it, ignore it, or run for your life?
- Have you been in a dangerous situation? Intentionally? Or inadvertently? What was your response and why?
- Do you worry about a terrorist attack?
- Are you aware of your surroundings? Do you know your neighbors?
- Do we live in a "new normal"? Has your life changed? How?

Internet Safety

- Are you concerned about online identity theft or getting hacked? Do you take precautions?
- Who do you trust for online news?
- How do you learn what's happening in your community, neighborhood or your family?
- Have you relinquished too much privacy online?