

The Answer to Cold Spots

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Once again, TAPs has shown its stupidity by claiming that cold spots come before the ghost enters a room. Now let me tell you what is really going on.

There are three kinds of heat transfer:

- 1) Convection – Heat transfer involving air or other gasses. Think of the warm air blowing out of your car’s vent in the winter after the heater is turned on.
- 2) Conduction- Heat transfer by direct contact
- 3) Radiation – Heat from the sun.

Convection: The simplest way to think about Convection is to think about a fan blowing air around. If you put a heat source in front of that fan then you have convection.

Conduction: If you take one red-hot piece of steel and touch it to a cold piece of steel, the heat will transfer from the hot steel to the cold steel. In other words, this is the heat transfer that happens from direct contact.

Radiation: This form of heat transfer does not need direct contact or air to transfer its heat. Most of the space between the Sun and the Earth is empty space (no air). So why do we feel the heat of the sun on our face? The answer is Radiation.

Now back to ghosts. Most reports of cold spots as related to ghosts are that there is a sudden drop in temperature. No “blowing air” seems to be involved, for example a central air conditioning. We know that these cold spots occur anywhere, even at places that have no air conditioning. So that rules out Convection.

Next let’s look at Radiation. Since air itself cannot radiate anything, it is impossible for air to “radiate” heat. Air can only transfer heat via Convection.

That leaves us with Conduction. Suddenly the temperature of the air drops around you, but the air is not moving. You feel like the area around you just became cold. This would indicate that a ghost is somewhere within that zone of cold air and heat is transferring to the ghost from the air. One thing is for sure; Heat Transfer causes the cold spots. What is probably happening is that the ghost is so low in temperature (or no temperature at all); it cools the air around it by its very presence. So when you feel the cold spot, the ghost is not coming later, it’s already there.

Is heat a type of energy? Yes it is. Is the ghost intentionally pulling the heat energy from the air? It is an impossible question to answer. The ghost could be extracting the heat energy for itself, or it may be simply a heat transfer by Conduction.

There, we have solved one small piece of the paranormal puzzle. If we keep on doing this, then perhaps we will get a clear idea of what ghosts are made of. This simple analysis is a far better approach than TAP’s continual pictures of dust particles.