

## **Experiments to test (as far as I know none of these have been done before on TV).**

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1. Turbo Heater Test: In a known haunted location or one where reported cold spots have occurred, connect a thermostat to the switch on a turbo heater. This type of heater looks like a jet engine and runs on kerosene. Once the temperature drops far below the buildings ambient temperature, the turbo fan turns on and blows hot air into the cold spot. The thermostat also activates a nearby video camera and tape recorder. If ghosts draw heat energy out of their environment perhaps it will give them enough energy to “show” themselves.
2. Battery Test: If ghosts draw power from DC batteries what happens if we have some really big batteries on site (like car batteries). Is the extra power of the larger batteries enough to allow the spirit to manifest.
3. Tests and Equipment that have never been viewed before on T.V.
  - Compass readings (see Martin’s Panel diagram). I live in a home that is not haunted. I set a camera that is triggered on movement (i.e. if the compass needle moves). I let this set up for 5 days and not once did the needle move. So the conclusion is that needle movement from a stationary location indicates something is happening (especially if the power is shut off to the home.)
  - Radar Detector: Radar Detectors have been known to correctly indicate the presence of a ghost. Just bring in your car radar detector and the battery from your car and connect them up. Point the detector towards the area of paranormal activity.
  - Note: One thing that television ghost hunters do not do is to shut of electricity to a home before conducting an investigation. With the power on inside the house AC current flows throughout the home and generates electric fields that can interfere with some equipment. Shutting off the power eliminates AC power as a cause for the hauntings.
  - Sonar Photography: Sonar can focus a camera on a point that reflects sound waves. For example, if there is an invisible entity in front of the camera, this may cause the camera to focus on the unseen ghost. You will know this because the resulting photograph will appear out of focus. These cameras are out of production, but I have one of my own.
  - Polaroid Photos: At least the current television ghost hunters don’t use them, partially because they are no longer made. But some of the most significant ghost photography in the past has occurred on Polaroid film. The theory is that while the film is developing before your eyes, the spirit is able to manipulate the development and add things to the photograph. This is not very scientific, but you want to have as many different devices as you can in your toolkit no matter how old they are. I use the Polaroid 660 sonar camera produced in 1981.
  - Ion Count: The belief is that a high Positive Ion count indicates paranormal activity. Scientists have also concluded that high Positive Ion counts can have a negative affect on a person’s mood.. Ions are Electrically charge particles.