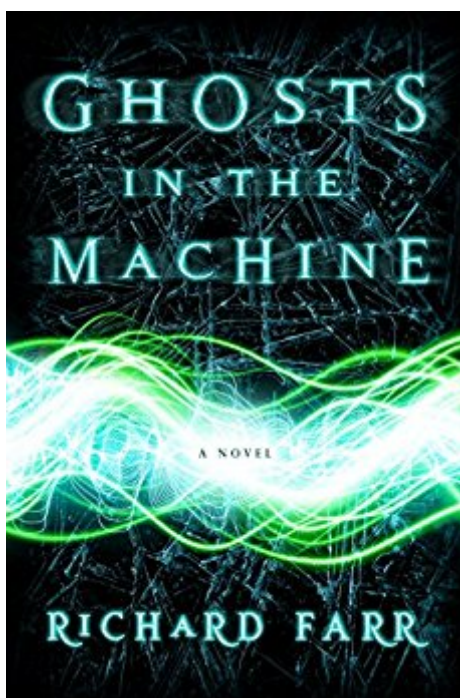


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# Ghosts In The Machine (The Babel Trilogy Book 2)



## Synopsis

Young genius Morag Chen doesn't believe in the supernatural. Or not until a thousand gods show up in front of her, appearing from a clear-blue sky. The Architects are terrifying, they're hypnotically attractive, and they're real—but what are they, and what do they want, and why have they stolen the mind of Daniel Calder, the person she is closest to? Ancient gods? Invading aliens? Everyone has a theory, but no one has guessed the truth. In this dark, suspenseful, mind-bending sequel to *The Fire Seekers*, Morag picks up the narration from Daniel as she works to accept that there's more than one way to think about the nature of humanity. And she will find that the only way forward is through secrets that Daniel himself seems desperate but unable to convey. A mysterious lab. The house of a dying billionaire. The hidden home of a strange and forgotten people. In each of these places, Morag and Daniel will come a step closer to answers, hope, and a way of fighting back.

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## Customer Reviews

Usually, the second book in any series is the worst because it's so easy to write oneself into corners. There's some hint of that here, but all in all I'm seeing some good writing here. It's ironic that real world archaeology has chosen now to blast through the unknowns that divide the imaginable science fiction from science fantasy. Richard Farr is a good author but needs to write faster or extrapolate further.

Did not enjoy as much as the first book. I waited to purchase until it went on sale so I did not pay full price. The character that is narrating is somewhat annoying. She's telling the story as if in retrospect, but often it seems as if it's real time then remembers it's supposed to be a retelling and inserts a phrase to indicate that fact. Feels disjointed and confusing. Otherwise, good continuation of the plot. I feel like I definitely got the sale price's worth and would read the third book if/when it comes out.

As others have mentioned, the teen/lesbian angst was so annoying I almost gave up. While I find the overall premise of the story interesting, the pages and pages of 8th grade relationship worries added little or nothing to the story line. The first book was good, second half of this one was ok, but I learned to just skim past all the relationship crap as soon as it started. Unfortunately, this often meant quickly turning 5-6 pages at a time. Without this, it may have reached 4 stars.

Sometimes it can be hard to pick up in the second book in a series the same tone and story as the first. This book I felt was a great follow up to the first book. It is told mostly from Norah's view, but still very on point with the storyline. Looking forward to the third book in the trilogy.

Intriguing concept of ancient aliens who over millennium visited the third rock from the Sun since before recorded time to harvest what they have sown. Cannot wait to read the third book.

In the second installment, we learn more about the characters and their history as well as our own. Kept me interested in the storyline. I await the next book with baited breath.

Very interesting book with good characters and great premise. A good continuation of the first book. However just as it gets really interesting it stops and doesn't appear as if the third book is nowhere in sight. I have a short attention span these days and probably will never remember to carry on when the third book finally appears.

I loved every minute of it. Switched back and forth between narration and reading. The narrator did an amazing job. The book was captivating.

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