



The Gravesavers

*Spirits never die as long as there
is someone to remember them.*

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In the wake of a family tragedy, twelve-year-old Cinnamon (Minn) Hotchkiss is sent to spend the summer with her sour-tempered grandmother in the seaside village of Boulder Basin, Nova Scotia. Soon after she arrives, Minn discovers a tiny human skull on the beach. She is immediately caught up in the compelling tale of a maritime disaster reaching back more than a century, to the aftermath of the most tragic shipwreck prior to the Titanic. Through her grandmother, she learns that the local cemetery holding the graves of those who perished in the wreck is eroding and the bones are being washed out to sea.

Over the course of this extraordinary summer, Minn develops a romantic relationship with a mysterious boy whose true identity forever alters her perception of the world around her. She learns that the grandmother she had resented is more curious, dedicated, and inspiring than she could have ever imagined. She even meets a world-famous rock star! By the end of the summer, Minn solves a ghostly mystery and, more importantly, is finally able to divulge the terrible secret which she has been harbouring within her own troubled heart.

This coming of age story is adapted from Sheree Fitch's best-selling youth novel, *The Gravesavers*, winner of CBC Radio's *Young Canada Reads 2007*.

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