

General Book Club Questions

1. What did you like best about this book?
2. What did you like least about this book?
3. What other books did this remind you of?
4. Who is your favorite character?
5. Describe the main characters personality traits:
 - a. How has the past shaped their lives?
 - b. Do you admire or disapprove of them?
 - c. Do they remind you of people you know?
6. Which other characters in the book did you like best?
7. Discuss the plot:
 - a. Is the story interesting?
 - b. Is the story plot driven?
 - c. Is the book a “page turner” or does it unfold slowly?
8. Discuss the book’s structure:
 - a. Does the time line move forward chronologically?
 - b. Is it a continuous story – or is it interlocking short stories?
 - c. Is there a single viewpoint or shifting viewpoints?
 - d. Why did the author tell the story this way?
9. What main ideas or themes does the author explore?
10. Share your favorite quote from the book. Why did this quote stand out?
11. What feelings did this book evoke for you?
12. If you got the chance to ask the author of this book one questions, what would it be?
13. Which character in the book would you most like to meet?
14. Which places in the book would you most like to visit?

15. Is the ending satisfying? Has the book changed you? Have you learned something?
16. What do you think the author's purpose was in writing this book? What ideas was he or she trying to get across?
17. If you could hear this same story from another person's point of view, who would you choose?
18. Were you immediately engaged with the book, or did it take you a while?
19. Does the book remind you of any other books or writers?

For Fiction Books

20. Did this book seem realistic?

For Non-Fiction Books

21. What did you already know about this book's subject before you read this book?
22. What questions do you still have?
23. What do you think about the author's research? Was it easy to see where the author got his or her information? Were the sources credible?