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F O R B O O K C L U B S

# Final Harvest, Finding Home Book #1

## Discussion Questions

1. What section of the book was your favorite?
2. What did you find least appealing?
3. Which specific scene has most stayed with you?
4. Which characters were your favorites? Which did you enjoy the least?
5. Which of the characters did you identify with?
6. Which character, if any, would you like to switch places with?
7. What did you think of Traci when you first met her? At the end?
8. If there was something you could change about Traci and Randall's relationship, what would it be?
9. Did Traci's relationship with Milo surprise you?
10. How would you rate the writing? Any really noteworthy scenes?
11. Would you be interested in reading more from this author?
12. What about the book shocked you?
13. What question would you like to ask the author, if you could?
14. What relationship exists between the book's title and its content? What new name would you give the book if you could?
15. What other book does this one make you think of?
16. After the conclusion of the book, what do you believe will happen to the characters next?
17. What effects did the setting/location have on the story? Do you wish to read more books that are situated in that world?
18. What did you think of the ending of the story?
19. Did the story seem authentic/real to you?
20. Would you wish to speak to any particular characters? If so, who? What would you say?

## Charlotte's Revenge, Finding Home Book #2

### Discussion Questions

1. What section of the book was your favorite?
2. What did you find least appealing?
3. What did you think of the opening scene?
4. Which particular scenario has most stayed with you?
5. Which characters were your favorites? Which did you enjoy the least?
6. Which of the characters did you identify with?
7. How did you feel about Traci and Randall's relationship so far?
8. Did anything about Milo surprise you?
9. Which character, if any, would you like to switch places with?
10. How would you rate the writing? Any really noteworthy scenes?
11. Would you be interested in reading more from this author?
12. What about the book most shocked you?
13. What has been your impression of Ray Winston so far?
14. What question would you like to ask the author, if you could?
15. If you could change a decision one of the character's made, which one would it be?
16. Why do you think Traci remained committed to the people in her life?
17. After the formal conclusion of the book, what do you believe will happen to the characters?
18. What did you think of the relationship between the brothers?
19. Did the story seem authentic/real to you?
20. Would you wish to speak to any particular characters? If so, who? What would you say?

## Milo's Journey, Finding Home Book #3

### Discussion Questions

1. What section of the book was your favorite?
2. What did you find least appealing?
3. Which particular scenario has most stayed with you?
4. How did you feel about how the new romance was introduced into the story?
5. Which characters were your favorites? Which did you enjoy the least?
6. Which of the characters did you identify with?
7. Which character, if any, would you like to switch places with?
8. How would you rate the writing? Any really noteworthy scenes?
9. Did your opinion of Traci change while reading the story?
10. What about the book most shocked you?
11. What question would you like to ask the author, if you could?
12. What relationship exists between the book's title and its content? What new name would you give the book if you could?
13. What did you think during the major tragedy in the story?
14. What was your opinion of Ray Winston at the beginning of the story? At the end?
15. After the formal conclusion of the book, what do you believe will happen to the characters?
16. What effects did the setting/location have on the story?
17. Did the story seem authentic/real to you?
18. What stood out most to you about Milo's "growing up"?
19. Would you wish to speak to any particular characters? If so, who? What would you say?
20. What expectations do you have for Milo's future?

## Cup of Secrets / Trace of Lace, Finding Home Short Stories

### Discussion Questions

1. Which short story was your favorite?
2. Which scene in the first story has most stayed with you? The second?
3. Which characters did you expect to see but were not included?
4. Which of the characters did you identify with?
5. What scenes in the stories surprised you?
6. What question would you like to ask the author, if you could?
7. What relationship exists between the story titles and their content? What new name would you give them if you could?
8. After the end of the book (both story conclusions), what do you believe will happen to the characters?
9. Did the stories provide a good wrap-up of the Finding Home series?
10. Would you wish to read more about any particular characters? If so, who? What would you like to see happen?

# The Taste of Rain, The Clover City Files Book #1

## Discussion Questions

1. What section of the book was your favorite?
2. What did you find least appealing?
3. What did you think of Amira Cooper at the beginning of the story? At the end?
4. Which scene has most stayed with you?
5. Which characters were your favorites? Which did you enjoy the least?
6. Which of the characters did you identify with?
7. How did you feel about Amira's relationship with her sister, Jasmine?
8. Which character, if any, would you like to switch places with?
9. What was your impression of Claire Stewart?
10. How would you rate the writing? Any really noteworthy scenes?
11. Would you be interested in reading more from this author?
12. What about the book most shocked you?
13. Why did Amira commit to helping Claire? Would you have done the same?
14. What question would you like to ask the author, if you could?
15. What relationship exists between the book's title and its content? What new name would you give the book if you could?
16. If you could meet Claire, what would you say to her?
17. After the formal conclusion of the book, what do you believe will happen to the characters?
18. What effects did the setting/location have on the story? Do you wish to read more books that are situated in that world?
19. Did the story seem authentic/real to you?
20. Would you change any particular characters or scenes? If so, what would you change about the story?

# The Spice Code, The Clover City Files Book #2

## Discussion Questions

1. What are your initial thoughts on the title "The Spice Code"? How does it relate to the story?
2. Discuss the role of the college town setting in shaping the atmosphere and tone of the novel.
3. In what ways does Raphael's occupation as a restaurant owner and chef contribute to the storyline? How is his culinary career threatened?
4. Analyze the character of Isabella. Did you find her enigmatic charm convincing? When did you first suspect there might be darkness beneath her smile?
5. Explore the theme of deception in the novel. How is it portrayed?
6. Discuss the impact of Raphael's sudden disappearance on the other characters, particularly Amira. How does the author convey the sense of worry and urgency?
7. How does the use of a seemingly innocent bag of groceries as a communication tool add to the intrigue of the story?
8. Consider the relationship between Raphael and Amira. How does their familial bond influence the decisions Amira makes throughout the story?
9. Were you surprised by Amira's ability to determine where to find her cousin based upon the recipe's ingredients? How effective was this plot device in keeping you engaged?
10. Reflect on the theme of twisted games. How does Isabella manipulate those around her, and what are the consequences?
11. Were there moments in the story where you found yourself sympathizing with Isabella, or did you view her as a purely antagonistic character?
12. Explore the journey that Amira embarks on to save Raphael. How does the author build suspense and tension during these moments?
13. Consider the role of food and recipes in the story. How do they contribute to the overall atmosphere and symbolism?
14. Were you satisfied with the resolution of the mystery, or were there unanswered questions that left you wanting more?
15. Discuss the writing style of the author. How did it contribute to the suspense and pacing of the story?
16. What themes or motifs stood out to you throughout the novel? How were they woven into the narrative?
17. If "The Spice Code" were to be adapted into a film or TV series, what elements of the story would you want to see emphasized or changed?

18. Explore the emotional impact of the story. Were there moments that particularly resonated with you, or characters whose struggles you found relatable?
19. How did the setting of a college town influence the dynamics between the characters and the unfolding of the mystery?
20. As a reader, did you feel the story lived up to its promise of providing "twists and turns" that left you craving more?