

ALL SHE EVER WANTED – READER'S GUIDE

1. The theme of friendship is very important in ALL SHE EVER WANTED book. Natalie first met Emily freshman year in college. They were two girls from two very different backgrounds. Yet they found a common bond in a new experience.

Where did you meet your best friend? Do you think the expectations of friendship are different when you meet as children versus meeting as adults?

2. When Natalie, Laura and Madison realize that someone has written a book about a tragic night in which their best friend lost her life, they're shocked to realize that one of them is being painted as a murderer. Natalie's concern isn't just about the book but the fact that she can't remember what happened that night. It was one of the more reckless nights of her life and one she deeply regrets...

Have you ever lived through an event that you can't really remember clearly?

3. Cole and his parents blamed Natalie for not watching out for Emily. Were they right? Did Natalie let down her friend?

Has there been a moment in your life where you felt you weren't there for a friend when you should have been?

4. A lot of people could have killed Emily. As you were reading the story, who did you think was the most likely culprit? Did you think it was Drew, Laura's husband? Madison or the mysterious Dylan? Did you guess who did it?

5. The author of the book wanted to avenge Emily's death by revealing the murder in a story thinly disguised as fiction.

Does revenge ever really work? Does it ever bring true satisfaction? Or is it always a hollow victory?

6. Along those same lines, the true irony of the story is that the murderer was trying to save her marriage, but the very person who destroys that marriage is her husband, not Emily. If her husband hadn't tried to nail Natalie for the crime, perhaps the true murderer would have gone free.

Did they all get what they deserved?

7. Emily's true colors were revealed in the book that was written about her but also by the communication that happens between the main characters where each one has to face the fact that they didn't really know their friend as well as they thought they did.

Do you think most people hide pieces of themselves, even from their closest friends? Doesn't everyone have a secret?

I hope you all enjoyed ALL SHE EVER WANTED and these questions help inspire some great discussion. Happy reading!

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