

The Podcast Chronicles

Book Club Discussion Guide

Thank you for choosing The Podcast Chronicles for your book club. This novel invites conversation around personal growth, relationships, power, and fascism.

Character and Relationships

1. Did you see any part of yourself or someone you know in Sue's journey?
2. Friendship is at the heart of this story. How did the bond between Sue, Kira, and Amanda give each of them the courage to take risks they couldn't have taken on their own?
3. Did you expect Sue and Gabe's marriage to end when Sue confronted Gabe in Denver over Lucinda's texts?
4. Did seeing Sue interact with her mother give you more sympathy for her, or explain why she avoids conflict at home?
5. What moment marked the shift where Sue and Gabe stopped drifting apart and reached a real breakthrough in understanding each other?

Situational Questions:

6. Was Mayor Travis acting out of small-town corruption, a genuine desperation for resort tax revenue, or a desire to leave a legacy?
7. Between Sue's local passion, Amanda's city hall access, and Kira's legal strategy, who was the most effective against Mr. Worth?
8. Sue spent years putting everyone else first. Once the campaign took off, did finding her own voice feel natural to her, or did she struggle with the guilt of stepping into the spotlight?
9. Was taking her fight straight to a podcast a brilliant move, or is there a risky side to airing local drama out in public?
10. Did any part of the Worth resort proposal actually make sense for Durango, or was it flawed from the start?

Reflection

11. By the end, what felt like Sue's true victory: saving the Animas Valley or standing on her own feet?
12. What stayed with you most after finishing the book—an idea, a moment, or a question?