

A Powerful Season

Book Club Discussion Guide

Thank you for choosing *A Powerful Season* for your book club. This novel invites conversation around purpose, reinvention, and the role each of us plays in shaping the future, both personally and collectively.

Character and Relationships

1. Did you see any part of yourself or someone you know in Lacey's journey?
2. Lacey and Sean reconnect during a transitional period in both of their lives. How did their relationship reflect where they each are emotionally at this stage in life?
3. Lacey is exposed to many issues, but struggles with what action to take. Do you think her journey is more about changing the world, or understanding her place within it?
4. The decision by Lacey to remain friends with Sean rather than pursue something deeper—did that feel like growth, self-awareness, or something else?
5. Lacey is navigating what life looks like after retirement. How does the novel explore the idea of purpose beyond career or long-held roles?

Environmental Questions:

6. Before reading this book, how often did you think about the environmental impact of things like travel or consumption? Did anything in the story make those impacts feel more immediate or noticeable?
7. Is it possible to care about environmental issues while still participating in behaviors that contribute to them? How do you personally navigate that tension?
8. Environmental issues often feel distant or abstract. What makes certain issues—like the impact on wildlife—feel more real or urgent than others?
9. Do you believe meaningful environmental change comes more from individual choices or from larger systems (such as corporations or government)? Where do you personally place the most responsibility?
10. The novel presents environmental impact through both large-scale systems and everyday choices. Which felt more significant to you, and why?

Reflection

11. What stayed with you most after finishing the book—an idea, a moment, or a question?