

Sample Discussion Questions

- In what ways does X influence Y?
- In what ways is an element of the setting important?
- Why does X care about Y?
- Which conflict seems most important? What causes it?
- To what extent is Character X responsible for what happened to him/her?
- In what ways does a character or situation remind you of something else you have read/watched?
- If Character Z were not in the book, how would the book be different? (Not a good question for the main character, better for a minor character)
- What themes seem to be developing?
- In what ways does the title seem appropriate so far?
- What is Character X's strongest trait? In what ways is it helpful, if any? In what ways does it work against him/her, if any?
- What images are present/have been repeated/are most powerful?
- What parallels do you see between any 2 characters or situations?
- Who is your favorite character so far? What do you like least about him/her?
- Who is the antagonist? What is his/her best quality?
- In what ways are characters changing? What influences cause these changes?