

Alice Anyway - Book Club Discussion Guide

1. Finding Voice in Silence

How does Alice's quiet nature both protect and limit her? Were there moments where you saw her beginning to reclaim her voice?

2. The Role of Faith and Community

How does religion shape the characters' choices and identities in the novel? Where does faith uplift, and where does it control?

3. Grief and Memory

How do Alice's memories of her father shape her path? In what ways does grief both tether her and set her free?

4. Marriage and Power

Discuss the dynamics between Alice and Darrell. What small signs of control did you notice early in their relationship? How does Alice's perception of love change?

5. Nature as a Mirror

From wildflowers to terrariums, nature plays a symbolic role. What do you think Alice's creations represent in her emotional journey?

6. Female Friendship and Isolation

How do the women in Alice's life support, or fail to support, her? How does Evelyn's presence shift the emotional tone of the story?

7. Belonging vs. Becoming

Alice is torn between staying rooted in what she knows and stepping into who she's becoming. Have you ever faced a similar moment in your own life?

8. The Title: Alice Anyway

What does the title mean to you? How does 'anyway' reflect the story's emotional arc?