

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Does how you feel about the protagonist, July Abraham, change as you move through the novel?
2. Describe Blue Ridge High School, Pretoria, South Africa as a setting in the novel.
3. The novel is about how rape is still an ever present and real threat to all women in every society. Do you think this might be what maintains sexual inequality across all societies?
4. What do you think motivates July to find and remove the rapist?
5. Why does July include Khetiwe and Lily in her quest?
6. Why does the subject matter suit a first person account?
7. How would you describe the novel's style?
8. Music is part of the fabric of the novel. How did listening to it deepen your experience of the story?