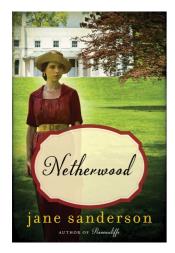


Reading Guide



Netherwood

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Questions for Discussion

- 1. Netherwood draws heavily on class distinctions in early twentieth-century Britain—did you find the attitudes discussed surprising or shocking?
- 2. How would you compare and contrast Eve and Henrietta?
- 3. What is the central theme of the book and how did it resonate with you?
- 4. There is much food imagery in this novel. Can you explain why imagery is so important in the story and how effective it is?
- 5. How are relationships between the classes portrayed in the book? Who is your favorite/least favorite character, and how true did each of them feel?
- 6. What do you think will happen in the next book in the series?
- 7. There are a number of significant—and very different—male characters in this book. In what ways did each of them help or hinder Eve?
- 8. There are various different businesses described in this novel—how does working life differ from today?
- 9. What do you think Anna's presence in Netherwood says about the political situation in the wider world?
- 10. The turn of the twentieth-century was a time of great political change in Britain too—how does Netherwood reflect the catalysts for that?
- 11. Do you think Eve, Henrietta, and Anna are typical of their era and class?