

READING GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Daisy likes being able to see everything she owns, while Morley needs an organized room to feel calm and in control, but they share a bedroom. Can you think of ways to keep both girls happy? Should Daisy be made to clean up her side of the room every day? Should Morley be told to be more tolerant of her sister's mess? Do you think their mother's solution will work to help both girls?
2. Morley is annoyed when Daisy doesn't apologize for hurting her, but Daisy can't see why she needs to apologize. If you were their parent, what would you say to each girl?
3. Morley wants to know the real reason why Danny left their family. When a couple separates, do you think the children should be told the real reason? What advice would you give Aoife or Danny about talking to their daughters about the split?
4. Why doesn't Morley tell her mother about the bullying? Should she have?
5. Aoife has a reason for the No Pets Rule but won't tell Morley what it is. What do you think it is? Should her mother just tell her, or is it better to keep it a secret?
6. Morley and Aoife start a small business selling baked goods and jewelry at a farmers market. Is starting a small business something you've ever done, or wanted to do?
7. Morley has a plan to make her mother happy again so their family can be happy again. Do you think they were truly happy, in the past? What chance do you think this plan has of working?

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8. What do you think of how Mrs. Green handles the situation when Morley brings a kitten to school? What could she, or possibly should she, have done differently? What would you have done as the teacher?
9. Do you think Aoife bakes because she loves doing it, or because she's depressed, or is baking helping her grieve the loss of her relationship with Danny?
10. Aoife dislikes her job but sees no way to make things better for herself and her daughters. What advice would you give her about coping financially as a single parent?
11. Mr. Maclean thinks the best solution to Morley having a kitten she's rescued at school is to surrender it to an animal rescue center. Do you think this was the best option? Or were there really no other practical choices he could have made in that situation? Was the choice he made unfair to Morley?
12. Morley believes she can 'talk' to Feather and he can answer her. Do you think this is possible?
13. Morley believes in luck, especially good luck. Do you think this belief helps her or hurts her? Do you agree with her?
14. Why is Aoife more willing to believe Julia's claim that Morley attacked her than listen to Morley's explanation of what actually happened?
15. Morley thinks she is the victim of child abuse. Is she?
16. Eira doesn't immediately call the police when she learns what Morley has endured in the attacks by Julia. Why? What would you have done, in this situation?
17. What do you think of Eira's advice to Morley about dealing with bullying?

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18. What do you think should happen for young victims of bullying to strengthen them and prevent them from a lifetime of being a victim?
19. What do you think should happen for young bullies to stop their harming others and prevent them from growing into adult bullies?
20. Eira says their family has “too many secrets.” Do you think she’s right? Do families *need* to keep secrets?
21. How do you think losing their mother when they were young affected Eira, Sorcha and Aoife? How does it come out in who they are now, as adults?
22. Did you have a favorite character in this book? Who, and why?
23. Who is your least favorite character in this story? Why?