

You are invited

TO READ MY DEAR MISS DUPRÉ, ALONG WITH YOUR FELLOW BOOK CLUB MEMBERS. SHOULD YOU ACCEPT, YOU MAY FIND THE FOLLOWING DISCUSSION QUESTIONS MOST HELPFUL.

1. Willow ends the first night by cutting half the men from the list of suitors. Of all the reasons the men were dismissed, which did you think was the shallowest? Was Willow justified in her decision?
2. The book focuses on three main characters: Willow, Cullen, and Theodore. Which character is your favorite and why?
3. What was your favorite character's reaction to the stress and emotion of the competition?
4. When you discovered the identity of Cullen's mentor, did you find Cullen's lies to be unforgivable? If not, how did you think he was going to be redeemed?
5. Throughout the story, Willow wishes to discover the identity of the reporter. Were you surprised who the culprit was and also what his connections were?
6. During the competition, Willow holds the Bible verse Psalm 40:3 close to her heart. Have you ever experienced God placing a new song in your heart? What does "a new song" mean to you?
7. When Cullen is battling with feelings of guilt and despair, he is comforted by Psalm 40. Have you ever felt trapped by the choices you made when you didn't consult the Lord first? How did God pull you out from the mire?
8. Flora wishes for her friend to be happy in a marriage and thus proceeds to help Cullen. Do you think her motives were pure, and if so, why?
9. Do you think Willow should have chosen a different gentleman? If so, who and why?
10. The author mentions Cullen's last fight as being "tragic," but she never states what happened. What do you think happened that made Cullen give up fighting prior to his being invited to the competition?