

- 2. Do the characters Lou and Cath seem real and believable? How do they change throughout the course of the story?
- 3. Discuss the characters Sofia, Adam and Rich—did any stand out in particular for you? How about Lou's mom (Irene), Cath's mom (Judy) and Sukey? Whose point of view about IVF and egg donation make the most sense to you? Do you think the author favored one character's point of view more than the others?
- 4. In the UK, women are not legally allowed to sell their eggs for profit—unlike other countries, including the United States. Why do you think the UK doesn't allow this? Do you think one system is better than the other?
- 5. Would you ever consider donating eggs or sperm yourself? Do you think the experience of donation has different emotional significance for men and women?
- 6. What did you think about the author's use of research within the story? How did it enhance or take away from the story?
- 7. Has anyone in the group read *One Moment*, *One Morning?* If the answer is yes, how did you feel about meeting the characters from that novel again? Did you prefer one to the other?
- 8. Which was more important, the characters or plot? Was the plot moved forward by decisions of the characters, or were the characters at the mercy of the plot?
- 9. What did you think about the structure of the book? Did you like the use of flashbacks and multiple perspectives?



Discussion Questions



- 10. What was your response to the language and writing style? Was it appropriate to the story? Was it more poetic or more vernacular? (Suggested activity: Each book club member read a favorite passage aloud. Discuss.)
- 11. What specific themes did you notice throughout the novel? Did you think there was any particular message the author was trying to convey to the reader? What examples can you give that support that message?
- 12. How do you think having read *The Two Week Wait* will affect you in the long term? Has it caused you to think about new issues, change your point of view on a familiar one, or bring up certain topics of conversations among your friends or family?

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