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The information and discussion questions that follow are intended to enhance your reading of *Starless*. Please feel free to adapt these materials to suit your needs and interests.

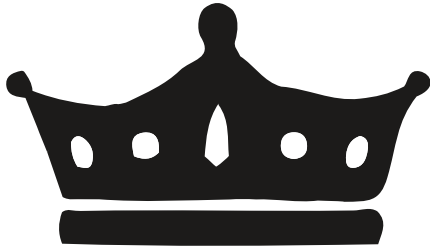
1. Khai reacts to the revelation regarding his nature with a profound sense of betrayal. How do you think you would feel?
2. To what extent is Khai's view of gender and his own identity shaped by the unusual circumstances of his upbringing?
3. To what extent are Zariya's dreams of destiny fueled by the tedium of life in the women's quarter? Do you think she would have developed the same curious intellect if she'd enjoyed the same freedoms as her brothers?

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5. Between Khai and Zariya, what do you think takes the most courage—being forced to confront a profound truth about one’s very existence or making a choice that defies every custom of one’s culture?

6. How annoying would it be to hold a conversation with a Therinian? Phrase your answer in terms pleasing to Ilharis the Two-Faced.

