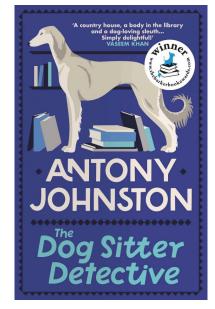
Book Group Questions for

The Dog Sitter Detective by Antony Johnston









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Meet Gwinny, an unlikely bloodhound, and her four-legged friends determined to dig up the truth.

Penniless Gwinny Tuffel is delighted to attend her good friend Tina's upmarket wedding. But when the big day ends with a dead body and not a happily-everafter, Gwinny is left with a situation as crooked as a dog's hind leg.

When her friend is accused of murder, Gwinny takes it upon herself to sniff out the true culprit. With a collection of larger-than-life suspects and two pedigree Salukis in tow, she is set to have a ruff time of it...

Thank you for reading this book! If you haven't read it yet, beware – some mild spoilers follow overleaf...

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1. The author, Antony Johnston, is a dog lover.

Are there any dog owners in your group? Did you feel the depiction of the salukis Spera and Fede was true to life? Did they behave like real dogs?

2. Gwinny was angry that her late father didn't tell her there was very little money left.

Was she right to be angry? She was his carer, but were his finances any of her business?

3. Gwinny said the salukis Spera and Fede were a wedding gift, but Francesca pointed out the wedding ceremony didn't take place.

Was Gwinny right to keep and care for them? Should Gwinny have let Francesca take them back to San Marino?

4. At the wedding garden party, Gwinny felt out of place and isolated despite Remy introducing her to people.

What could she have done differently to make conversation? Have you ever been in a situation like that?

5. When Gwinny became convinced the police weren't looking in the right place she took matters into her own hands, even though some of the suspects were intimidating.

Could you ever picture yourself doing something similar?

6. According to the Detection Club, the 'rules' of a murder mystery say vital clues should be visible to the reader so they have a fair chance to solve the mystery themselves.

Do you think this book played fair? What clues did you pick up on as you were reading? Did you guess 'whodunnit' before the killer was revealed?

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