

BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION GUIDE – AUTUMN OF FEAR - GLEDE BROWNE KABONGO

Consider choosing *Autumn of Fear* for your next Book Club read. Here are some suggestions for topics to kick off your discussion.

1. What were some of the key themes explored in the novel? Do you think they connected to the title? Why or why not?
2. When Spencer Rossdale arrived on the scene, what were your feelings toward him?
3. Abbie searched Ty's apartment without his consent or knowledge in an attempt to uncover the identity of Mr. Anonymous. Is betraying the trust of a close friend ever justified, no matter the circumstances?
4. Who did you think was the stranger in the hoodie?
5. Abbie kept the truth from her family for fear it could cause her father to relapse. Was that brave and selfless on her part or no? Would you have done the same in a similar situation?
6. How do you think Abbie handled the aftermath of the assault?
7. Were Diana and Spencer Rossdale sympathetic characters? Were they victims of circumstance or opportunists?
8. Both Katherine and Alan Wheeler kept a bombshell secret for years. Do you think they bare any of the responsibility for the events that unfolded?
9. When Ty and Abbie shared important news during breakfast at the restaurant, was Kristina Hayward justified in her reaction? Why or why not?
10. Did the final scene shock you? How would you have ended the story if you were advising the author?