

Book Club Questions The Swimmer by Loreth Ann White

- 1. Chloe is depicted as a socially awkward person who watches her neighbors. How did her isolation and tendency to observe others initially shape your view of her?
- 2. How does Chloe's reliability as a narrator impact the reader's trust in her perspective and the overall suspense of the story?
- 3. Do you find Chloe's actions understandable or reckless based on the dramatic events she witnesses and her involvement in them? How does her need for connection or belonging influence her choices?
- 4. What hidden problems do Chloe's observations reveal about Jemma and Adam's seemingly perfect and glamorous life, and how does this contrast enhance the psychological suspense?
- 5. What secrets do Jemma and Adam have that contribute to the mystery and tension in their neighborhood?
- 6. How does Jemma and Adam's troubled marriage influence the events in the story and affect the other characters?
- 7. How do different characters deceive each other in the book, and how does this deception affect the plot and create an atmosphere of suspicion and distrust?
- 8. How does the theme of revenge show up in the story, and what does the novel say about the harmful effects of seeking vengeance?
- 9. How did using different perspectives and timelines in the story affect your engagement with the characters and events?
- 10 How does Chloe's relationship with her ailing mother influence her decisions and interactions with her neighbors and the police throughout the book?

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