YA Book Club

Discussion notes

YOU THINK YOU KNOW ME

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- 1. Why do you think Hanan feels pressure to be successful?
- 2. How do you think this book confronts the issue of misinformation on social media?
- 3. How do you think Hanan's school should have dealt with the incidents that occurred after Mr. Fleming's murder?
- 4. Do you think the media would have covered Mr. Fleming's death differently had the murderer been white?
- 5. How does Hanan develop as a character throughout this book?
- 6. How does Islamophobia affect the dynamics in Hanan's friendship group?
- 7. Are there any similarities between Jessica's relationship with her brother and Hanan's relationship with Hussein?
- 8. How does Jessica's upbringing influence her world views? How does this begin to change throughout the story?
- 9. Do you think there are elements of the story that help balance the darker themes of the book? If so, why are they important?
- 10. At the end of the story, Hanan feels a shift in herself after speaking about her experiences publicly. How do you think this experience will change how Hanan deals with prejudices in the future?
- 11. What do you feel was the biggest takeaway from this story?
- 12. How do you think the title of the book relates to Hanan and her story?



