

Carey Page Turners October

Discussion

The Wonder by

Emma Donoghue

Characters:



- * Discuss the book's title. What are the multiple meanings of "The Wonder"?
- * The novel has a gothic feel to it: spooky, menacing, and even harrowing. What makes for the sinister atmosphere that pervades the novel?
- * The novel brings up basic philosophical and religious questions, one of which is what it means to give up the most vital necessity of life in the name of something greater than yourself. Is it admirable, mad, selfish, or narcissistic?
- * As the days pass and Anna's condition deteriorates, Liz begins to feel she may be complicit in the girl's demise. Is she?
- * Can you pick out a passage that strikes you as particularly profound or interesting?
- * What were your thoughts on the writing style?
- * What did you dislike about the book?
- * Did any historical or cultural references stand out to you?
- * Did you uncover any symbols in the book?
- * Were you able to envision the setting in your mind?

Rating: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10