

Book Club Prompts

PRIMA NOCTA

A Novel by D J Pratt

Book Club Discussion Prompts

1. Which character did you like best and why? Which story?
2. In the second half, you learn the other person's perspective for each couple. How did that experience illuminate reading the first person's perspective in the first half? What were your "aha" moments?
3. How did the larger plot of the souls' journey evolve for you? When did it become a novel and not just a collection of short stories? Did the souls grow from life to life?
4. This novel challenges us on the question of consent. The historical context of the stories that took place in the past were in times that were less enlightened, and the author doesn't compromise on those harsh realities. As a point of contemplation, does that raw illustration help reinforce our views on the importance of consent today?
5. Do any of the stories resonate with you as illustrative of anything that's happening real-world today?
6. Did any of the stories touch you personally? Which and why?
7. Do you feel like you've gotten any personal insights from the novel? What?
8. The novel touched on sexuality and intimacy and the varied experiences both from person to person and for people of different ages and different milieu. Reflecting on that, is there an insight we can draw?
9. What happened to the witch in chapter 12?
10. If we assume there are souls, how do they differ from the lives that flesh-and-blood humans are forced to lead? Nature/nurture. If you believe you have a soul, how is it different from the compromises you've led in this life?