



Perfect for Patrick

Book Group Questions

Thank you for choosing *Perfect for Patrick* for your book group. I hope you enjoyed reading Patrick and Carmen's story and that these questions serve to bring further discussion to your book group experience.

1. For the person who chose the book: What made you choose this book to read and then discuss in a group? Did it fall short of, meet, or exceed your expectations? Did you read 'Playing Her Part', and 'Always and Forever, Lorenzo' first – or did you choose 'Perfect for Patrick' as a standalone read?
2. If you read the rest of the books in the Russo Family series, how do the books relate and build on each other? What aspects of characters and growth did you note in one book to the other?
3. What aspects of Patrick's personality intrigued or frustrated you? Why?
4. What aspects of Carmen's personality intrigued or frustrated you? Why?
5. What aspect of the book, characters, or story did you find to be challenging?
6. Did this remind you of another book or author? Who/ which book(s)/ why?

7. Who were your favorite characters? Why?
8. What characters did you dislike? Were there any characters that you didn't relate to? Why?
9. How did the relationship between Carmen and her family cause greater friction between her and Patrick? How did Carmen's insecurities reveal deeper aspects of her personality for you?
10. What relation did you notice between Carmen's personal life and her professional life?
11. Which character from the book would you like to meet the most and why? What would you like to ask or tell them?



12. What about Carmen and Patrick (or their relationship) did you find to be relatable? Was there anything about them that you didn't relate to or found frustrating?
13. What feelings did this book evoke for you? Why/ how was this accomplished?
14. Did you relate to the struggles Patrick faced with Carmen (or vice versa)? How so? What might she or he have done differently or better?
15. What was your favorite quote or passage, and why did it stand out to you?
16. Did you struggle to see Carmen as anything but a villain, given her history with Francesco and Maggie? If so, why? If not, what made you want to see her differently/ understand her better? Did you understand and even like Carmen eventually?
17. If this book were made into a movie, who would you cast? What changes would you want to see happen to work more effectively for film?

18. Does this book remind you of any songs, artist, or other media? If so, which ones/ who and why?
19. Did you think the characters and their problems/decisions/relationships were believable or realistic? If not, why?
20. Did you find any of the characters' decisions to be frustrating? Why?
21. Which character could you relate to the best and why?
22. Did you learn anything new, maybe about yourself or a societal issue that is prevalent today?
23. Make a prediction regarding Carmen and Patrick's future. This can be in light of their relationship, their immediate or extended family, or even in terms of career.
24. If this book inspired a sequel, which characters would you like to see more of?

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