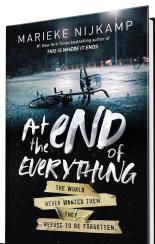
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QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BOOK

- 1. Every teen inside the Hope Juvenile Treatment Center has their own story. Do you think the way they were treated is fair? Did that feeling change throughout the story, and if so, what changed it?
- 2. After the teens of Hope discover the reason why they were left alone is an outbreak of a deadly disease, the group reacts in two different ways. Hunter and his crew want to get out and escape, while Grace and the others want to stay safe within Hope and try to survive there. What do you think was the right decision? Could either of those groups have done anything differently?
- 3. Josie initially leaves Hope with Hunter and his crew, but she comes back and steals food from the kitchens to give herself and Saoirse a chance to survive. Do you think what she did was wrong or right? Do you think she could or should have done something different? How do you feel about how the others reacted when Grace and Sofia brought them back to Hope?
- 4. Everyone inside Hope finds different ways to cope with the situation they're in. Nia likes to draw. Emerson loves to play the violin. Isaiah tries to document everything that is happening around him. What are ways you can think of to cope with stress?
- 5. While the phones still work, several characters have the chance to call loved ones. Imagine yourself as a friend or a relative of one of these characters. What would you want to tell them? What would you want to do?
- 6. What do you think happens to the survivors after the book ends?
 What do you hope will happen to them?





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QUESTIONS ABOUT LOGAN

- 7. Logan uses sign language to communicate. Does that change how the other characters relate to her? If so, in what way?
- 8. At several points, Logan describes her twin sister Leah as "the other half of me." What does it mean to Logan to be without Leah for so long? How does it change her?
- 9. Why do you think Logan hates the world special so much?
- 10. In her letter to Leah, Logan writes: "we're not supposed to steal, but we're not supposed to starve either." What does she mean by that? How do you feel about that?

QUESTIONS ABOUT EMERSON

- 11. Church has always been very important to Emerson. Without it, they tell Grace, they feel lost and like they lost all their certainties. What do you think they mean by that?
- 12. Emerson insists on finding a way to remember the dead. They state that everyone deserves to be remembered. Why do you think that matters so much to them?
- 13. When Emerson calls their mother, they tell her they don't forgive her. Do you understand why? Do you think that's the right call? Why or why not?





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QUESTIONS ABOUT GRACE

- 14. At the start of the book, after she's released from solitary, Grace says that the one thing she learned at Hope is to be silent. "At some point, we'll stop using our voice altogether. Because what's the point if no one listens? What's the point if we're only punished?" What do you think she means by that?
- 15. She also explains what brought her to Hope, and she says things would have been different "if justice were justice." What does she mean by that?
- 16. When Casey and Grace talk at night, Casey asks Grace: "Is bad the opposite of human?" What does he mean by that? What do you think?
- 17. Do you think Grace did the right thing at the end of the book? Was there anything she could or should have done differently?

GENERAL QUESTIONS

- 18. Share a favorite quote from the book. Why did this quote stand out?
- 19. Create a playlist for the book. Why did this book make you think of those songs?
- 20. If you were making a movie of this book, who would you cast?



