

THIS DAY AND AGE

Book Club Discussion Questions

The Anastasia Day Ghost Mystery Series · Book 3

A ghost mystery with history that explores family, faith, resilience, women's experiences, and the lasting effects of trauma.

Characters and Relationships

1. Ana balances curiosity, compassion, and humor when faced with difficult situations. Which of her qualities did you appreciate most, and why?
2. How do the different ways characters respond to uncertainty reveal their personalities?
3. The novel explores how grief affects people differently. What did it teach you about the importance of understanding another person's grieving process?
4. How do friendship and community help the characters navigate challenges they might struggle to face alone?

History and Women's Issues

1. The story connects historical injustices with issues women and children still face today. Which connections stood out to you most?
2. How can examining the past help us better recognize and address injustice in the present?
3. What role do power, control, and dependency play in shaping people's choices and relationships?
4. How might a person's understanding of freedom change after experiencing prolonged hardship or having choices taken away?

Faith, Spirituality, and the Unexplained

1. The characters approach faith, Scripture, and the supernatural from different perspectives. Which viewpoints did you find most interesting, and did any challenge your assumptions?
2. Do you believe unexplained experiences need to be understood to have meaning? Why or why not?
3. How do the characters balance faith, reason, intuition, and evidence when confronted with the unknown?
4. What does the novel suggest about the possibility that some things in life remain beyond our full understanding?

Personal Growth and Resilience

1. The novel explores how people respond to circumstances they never expected. What does resilience mean to you, and is it always visible from the outside?
2. How can the familiar sometimes feel safer than the unknown, even when change might offer a better future?
3. What is the difference between helping someone and deciding what is best for them?

4. The book opens with quotations about not being diminished by life's events and learning to navigate storms. How do these ideas relate to the novel's broader themes?

The Title and the Bigger Picture

1. What does the title *This Day and Age* mean to you in the context of the story?
2. How does combining a ghost mystery with historical and contemporary social issues affect your reading experience?
3. Did the novel change the way you think about any historical events or modern-day social problems?
4. Without giving away the ending, what theme or message stayed with you most after finishing the book?

A Question to End Your Discussion

If you could ask Carrie Clock one question about the inspiration behind *This Day and Age*, what would you ask?

Reader note: Some questions touch on grief, trauma, kidnapping, and exploitation. Book clubs may wish to let members skip any topic they find uncomfortable.