

God's Country

Cut along the dashed lines and pass the cards around the table.

WARM-UP

1

Cork's story starts with a family trip in the works. What's a family trip or cabin getaway you remember fondly, and what made it feel special?

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2

If you could pull up a chair at the O'Connor family table for one evening, what would you hope to talk about, and what would you bring to share?

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DISCUSSION

3

The North Country almost feels like a character in this series. Did the woods, lakes or weather remind you of a place that gives you peace, and how did reading about it make you feel?

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4

Family loyalty runs deep in the O'Connor household. Was there a moment of support between them that warmed you or reminded you of someone in your own life?

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5

The title suggests a place that feels sacred or blessed. What does 'God's country' mean to you personally, and where is yours?

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6

Cork is shaped by both his Irish and Ojibwe roots. Did the way the book honors heritage and tradition stir any feelings about your own family's traditions?

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DEEP

7

The book shows danger crashing into a season meant for rest and togetherness. How did it feel to watch that happen, and what helps you get back to calm when life takes an unexpected hard turn?

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DEEP

8

Looking back on the whole story, which moment of kindness, courage or quiet strength stayed with you after you closed the book, and why do you think it hit home?

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