

Just for the Summer

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

WARM-UP

1

Curl up and tell us: where were you when you read most of this book, and did you have a snack or drink with you?

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2

What was the first scene that made you smile or sigh out loud? No spoilers, just the feeling.

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DISCUSSION

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Justin and Emma both carry a lot for the people they love. When in your own life have you felt like the person everyone leans on, and what helped you feel cared for in return?

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The Minnesota lake town feels like such a comforting hug. What real place in your life gives you that same settled, soft feeling?

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This book is full of small kindnesses between strangers becoming family. Which gesture in the story warmed you most, and has someone ever done something similar for you?

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Emma's relationship with her mom is so tender and complicated. How did the book's portrayal of imperfect family love sit with you?

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DEEP

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Abby Jimenez writes about mental health and burnout with so much gentleness. Was there a moment that felt especially seen or comforting to you personally?

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DEEP

8

Without giving anything away, how did you feel when you closed the book? What did it leave you wanting more of in your own life?

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