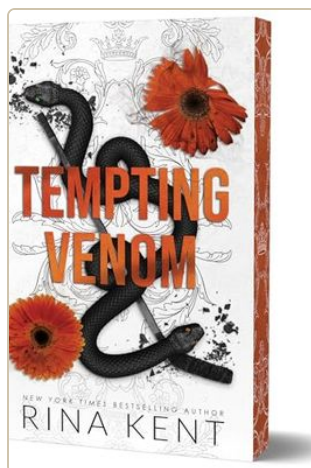


BOOK CLUB NIGHT KIT



Tempting Venom

Rina Kent

🌙 COZY NIGHT

A charged hockey rivalry turns into something far more tender and complicated in the third Vipers book. It's a great pick for a blanket-and-cocoa night where friends can swoon, sigh, and share how the story made them feel.

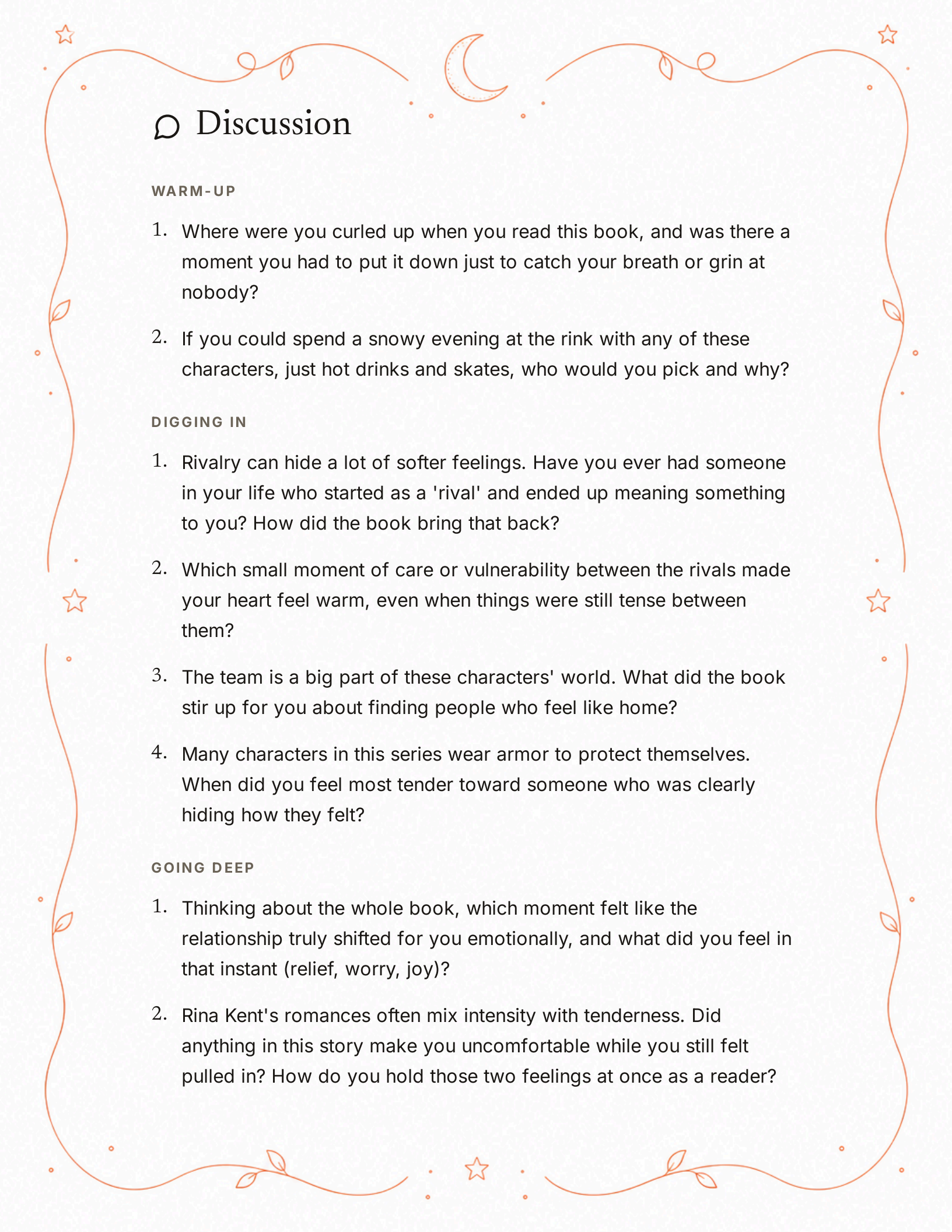
Blankets, Cocoa, and a Rivalry to Swoon Over

Come in from the cold for a cozy night talking about Tempting Venom by Rina Kent. Bring your comfiest socks and all your feelings, and we'll bring the chili and hot chocolate.

Reading level: Easy

Best for: Romance-loving friends who want an evening of swooning and confessions on the couch, and who are comfortable with mature, steamy content





Discussion

WARM-UP

1. Where were you curled up when you read this book, and was there a moment you had to put it down just to catch your breath or grin at nobody?
2. If you could spend a snowy evening at the rink with any of these characters, just hot drinks and skates, who would you pick and why?

DIGGING IN

1. Rivalry can hide a lot of softer feelings. Have you ever had someone in your life who started as a 'rival' and ended up meaning something to you? How did the book bring that back?
2. Which small moment of care or vulnerability between the rivals made your heart feel warm, even when things were still tense between them?
3. The team is a big part of these characters' world. What did the book stir up for you about finding people who feel like home?
4. Many characters in this series wear armor to protect themselves. When did you feel most tender toward someone who was clearly hiding how they felt?

GOING DEEP

1. Thinking about the whole book, which moment felt like the relationship truly shifted for you emotionally, and what did you feel in that instant (relief, worry, joy)?
2. Rina Kent's romances often mix intensity with tenderness. Did anything in this story make you uncomfortable while you still felt pulled in? How do you hold those two feelings at once as a reader?

On the table & to sip

TO EAT

Rink-Side Chili Bar

A slow-cooker pot of chili with toppings like cheese, sour cream, and cornbread. It's the warm comfort food you'd want after a cold night at the arena, and easy to make ahead.

Penalty Box Pretzel Bites with Warm Beer-Cheese Dip

Soft pretzels are an arena snack classic, and a warm cheese dip makes them indulgent and cozy. You can use store-bought pretzel dough to keep the effort low.

Venom Green Mint Brownies

Fudgy brownies with a mint layer tinted a snake-green nod to the Vipers. Rich, gooey, and easy to cut into squares for passing around.

TO SIP

Home Ice Hot Chocolate Bar (no alcohol)

Rich hot cocoa with marshmallows, whipped cream, and crushed peppermint, like thawing out after the game. Everyone can sip it.

Viper's Bite Spiked Cider

Warm spiced apple cider with a splash of cinnamon whiskey for a gentle 'bite' that fits the venomous series name.

Overtime Irish Coffee

Coffee with Irish cream and whipped cream, made for lingering over the last chapters of conversation when the night goes into overtime.

Run of show

7:00

Thaw Out and Settle In

Greet everyone with a mug from the hot chocolate bar and point them to the blankets and pillows.

7:15

Chili and Chit-Chat

Serve the chili bar and pretzel bites buffet-style. Keep the playlist low while people catch up.

7:40

Warm-Up Round

Pass around the warm-up question cards so everyone shares one easy, feel-good answer.

8:00

Heart-to-Heart Discussion

Move through the theme questions and let people linger on personal stories. No need to rush.

8:40

Brownies and Overtime Trivia

Bring out the mint brownies and spiked cider or Irish coffee, then play a relaxed, no-stakes trivia round.

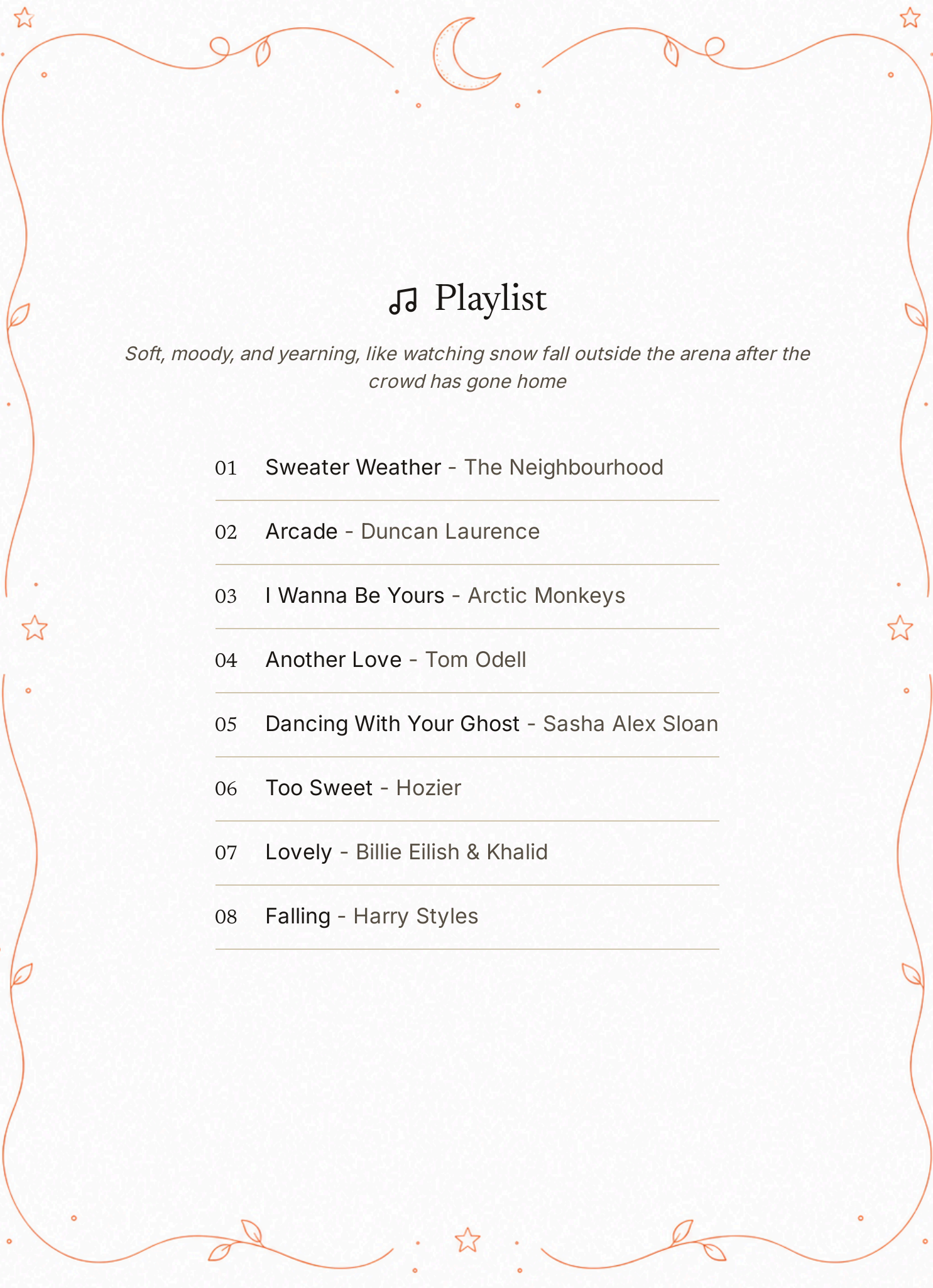
9:10

Scorecards and Cozy Wind-Down

Fill out scorecards, hand out bookmarks, and close with the deep questions for anyone who wants to stay.

HOST TIPS

- This is a mature dark romance, so give a gentle content heads-up in the invite and let guests pass on any question without explanation.
- Put out plenty of throw blankets, fuzzy socks, or a basket of mittens so the 'cold rink, warm home' feeling comes through.
- Use a small stuffed animal or hockey puck as a 'talking token' so quieter guests get an easy way into the conversation.



🎵 Playlist

Soft, moody, and yearning, like watching snow fall outside the arena after the crowd has gone home

01 Sweater Weather - The Neighbourhood

02 Arcade - Duncan Laurence

03 I Wanna Be Yours - Arctic Monkeys

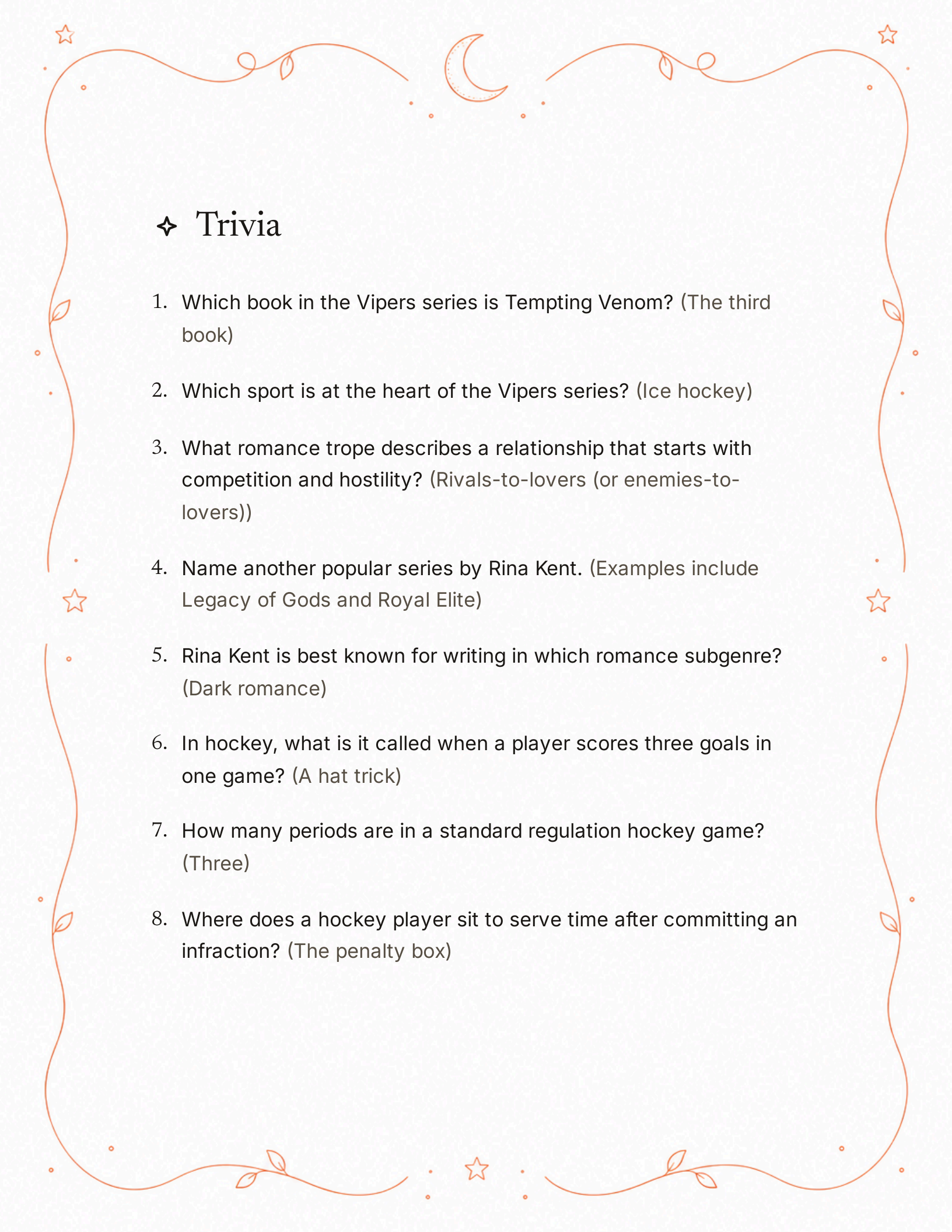
04 Another Love - Tom Odell

05 Dancing With Your Ghost - Sasha Alex Sloan

06 Too Sweet - Hozier

07 Lovely - Billie Eilish & Khalid

08 Falling - Harry Styles



✧ Trivia

1. Which book in the Vipers series is Tempting Venom? (The third book)
2. Which sport is at the heart of the Vipers series? (Ice hockey)
3. What romance trope describes a relationship that starts with competition and hostility? (Rivals-to-lovers (or enemies-to-lovers))
4. Name another popular series by Rina Kent. (Examples include Legacy of Gods and Royal Elite)
5. Rina Kent is best known for writing in which romance subgenre? (Dark romance)
6. In hockey, what is it called when a player scores three goals in one game? (A hat trick)
7. How many periods are in a standard regulation hockey game? (Three)
8. Where does a hockey player sit to serve time after committing an infraction? (The penalty box)

□ Bookmarks

Print, cut, and tuck one at every seat, a small keepsake from the night.



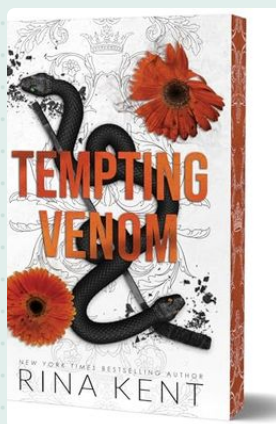
*“Cold ice
outside, a warm
heart hiding
beneath the
armor.”*

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*“Some bites
sting at first,
then linger like a
secret.”*

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*“Pull up a
blanket. The
game is only
beginning.”*

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Comfort Reread Potential ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Team and Belonging Feels ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

The moment that made me hug my book: _____

One cozy word for this story: _____

I'd share this with a friend who needs: _____

THAT'S A WRAP

Thank you for coming

We hope the company was good and the conversation even better. Until the next chapter.



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