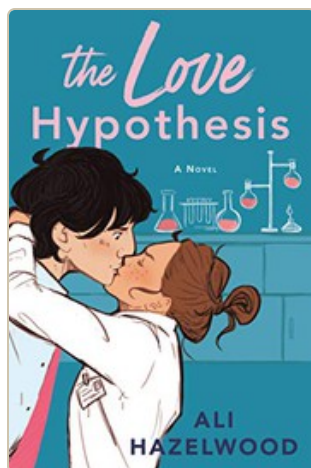


BOOK CLUB NIGHT KIT



The Love Hypothesis

Ali Hazelwood

🌙 COZY NIGHT

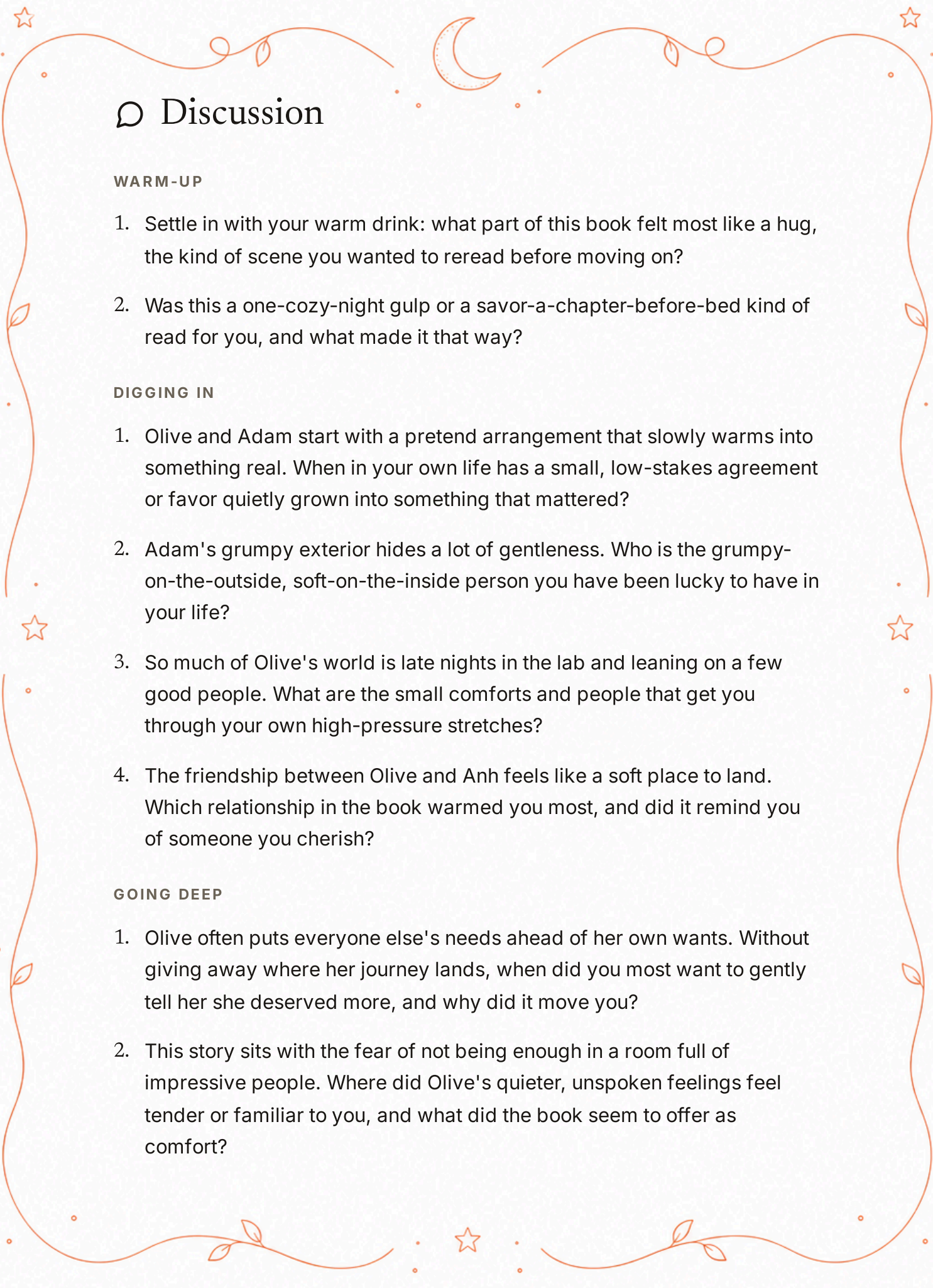
A warm, funny fake-dating romance set in the high-pressure world of academic science, where a PhD student strikes a deal with a famously grumpy professor. It is comfort reading at its coziest, full of banter, longing, and heart.

Cozy Night In with The Love Hypothesis

Bring your softest sweater and your best swoon: we are gathering for warm drinks, comfort food, and a heartfelt chat about Olive and Adam. Come as you are and stay as long as you like.

Reading level: Easy

Best for: A club that loves swoony comfort reads and turning pages into cozy, heartfelt conversation



Discussion

WARM-UP

1. Settle in with your warm drink: what part of this book felt most like a hug, the kind of scene you wanted to reread before moving on?
2. Was this a one-cozy-night gulp or a savor-a-chapter-before-bed kind of read for you, and what made it that way?

DIGGING IN

1. Olive and Adam start with a pretend arrangement that slowly warms into something real. When in your own life has a small, low-stakes agreement or favor quietly grown into something that mattered?
2. Adam's grumpy exterior hides a lot of gentleness. Who is the grumpy-on-the-outside, soft-on-the-inside person you have been lucky to have in your life?
3. So much of Olive's world is late nights in the lab and leaning on a few good people. What are the small comforts and people that get you through your own high-pressure stretches?
4. The friendship between Olive and Anh feels like a soft place to land. Which relationship in the book warmed you most, and did it remind you of someone you cherish?

GOING DEEP

1. Olive often puts everyone else's needs ahead of her own wants. Without giving away where her journey lands, when did you most want to gently tell her she deserved more, and why did it move you?
2. This story sits with the fear of not being enough in a room full of impressive people. Where did Olive's quieter, unspoken feelings feel tender or familiar to you, and what did the book seem to offer as comfort?

☕ On the table & to sip

TO EAT



Loaded grilled cheese and tomato soup cups

The ultimate cozy comfort pairing for a slow-burn read, easy to make in a big batch and share while you chat



Warm pumpkin or banana bread with honey butter

Nods to the cool campus-fall mood and gives everyone something soft and sweet to nurse between questions



Coffee-shop style cookies (chocolate chunk)

A wink at all the caffeine-fueled lab nights and cafe scenes, and the definition of low-effort, high-comfort baking



TO SIP



Big pot of vanilla or cinnamon drip coffee (no alcohol)

Olive practically runs on coffee, so keep a warm carafe going all night for that grad-student-fuel feeling



Spiced apple cider (warm, non-alcoholic) (no alcohol)

Cozy, campus-autumn warmth in a mug, perfect for wrapping both hands around during the softer questions



Mulled red wine or a caramel Irish coffee

A gently indulgent grown-up option for a relaxed night in, warm and a little sweet like the romance



Run of show

7:00

Cozy arrivals

Greet everyone with a warm mug in hand, soft lighting and blankets out, playlist low in the background

7:20

Comfort plates

Serve the grilled cheese, soup cups, and sweets buffet-style so people can settle in and graze

7:40

Warm-up sharing

Ease in with the two warm-up questions while everyone gets comfortable, no pressure to go in order

8:00

Heart of the chat

Move gently through the theme questions, letting personal stories and swooning lead the way

8:40

Deep and tender

Slow down for the two deep questions once the room feels warm and open

9:00

Trivia and cocoa wind-down

Refill mugs, play a relaxed round of trivia, and hand out bookmarks and scorecards as a keepsake

HOST TIPS

- Keep it low-pressure: let people pass on any question and remind them there are no wrong feelings
- Have the carafe and kettle refilled before you start so no one has to leave the cozy circle
- Set a soft no-spoiler ground rule at the top for anyone who has not finished, then let the warmth take over



🎵 Playlist

Soft, warm, swoony acoustic and gentle pop, like a candlelit coffee shop on a rainy night

01 Lover - Taylor Swift

02 Can't Help Falling in Love - Kina Grannis

03 Sunday Morning - Maroon 5

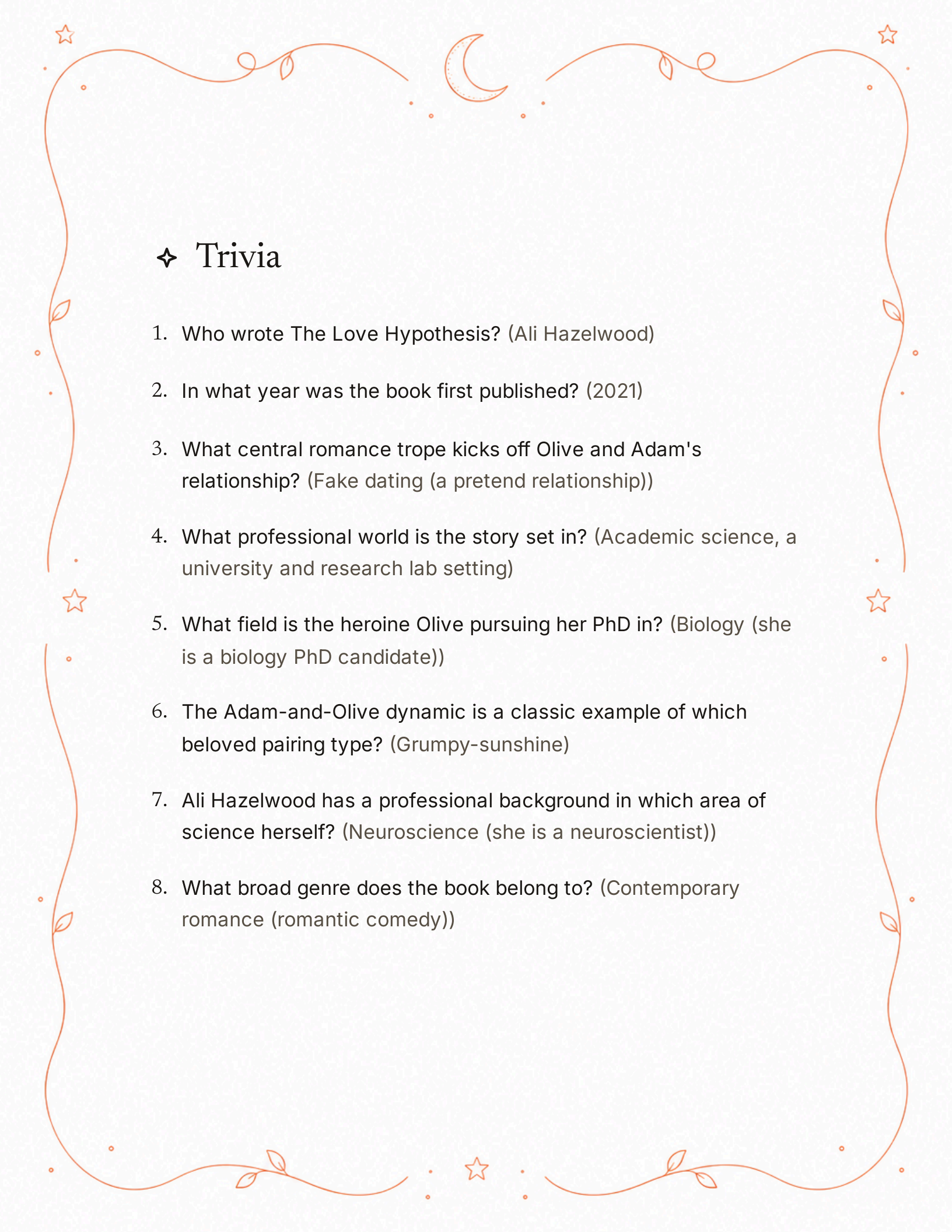
04 Adore You - Harry Styles

05 The Way I Am - Ingrid Michaelson

06 Sweet Creature - Harry Styles

07 Home - Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros

08 Better Together - Jack Johnson

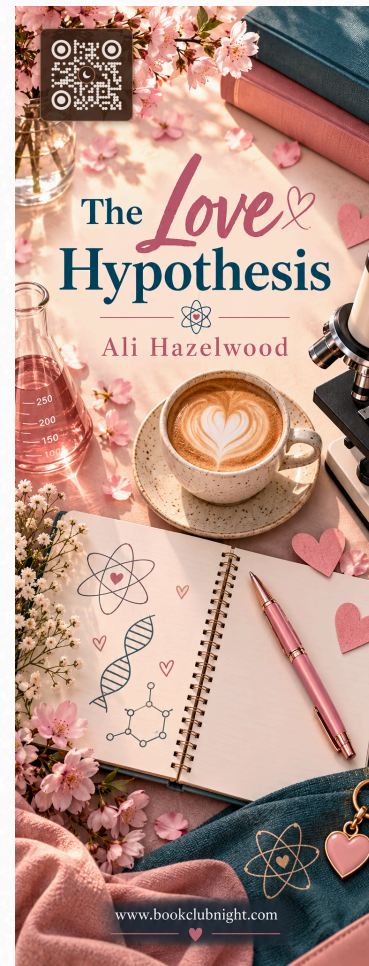
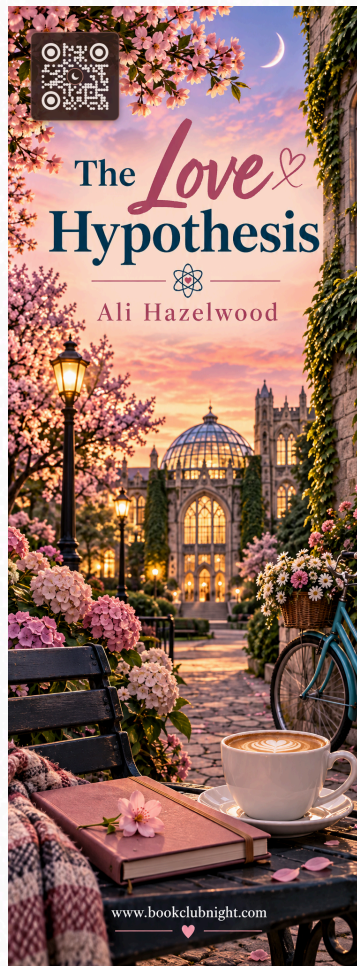
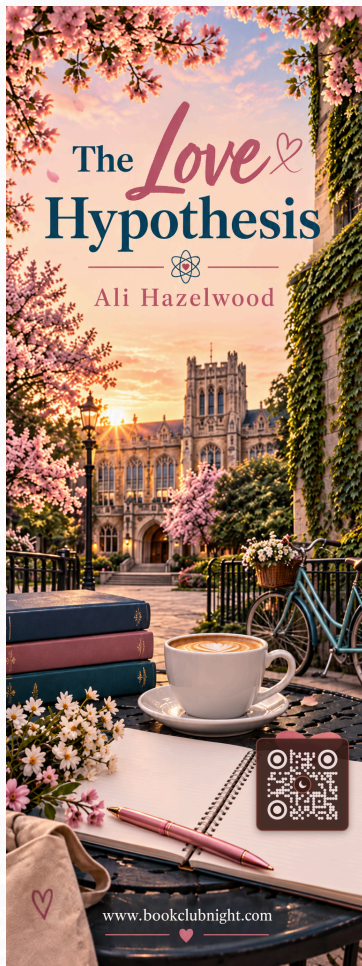


✧ Trivia

1. Who wrote The Love Hypothesis? (Ali Hazelwood)
2. In what year was the book first published? (2021)
3. What central romance trope kicks off Olive and Adam's relationship? (Fake dating (a pretend relationship))
4. What professional world is the story set in? (Academic science, a university and research lab setting)
5. What field is the heroine Olive pursuing her PhD in? (Biology (she is a biology PhD candidate))
6. The Adam-and-Olive dynamic is a classic example of which beloved pairing type? (Grumpy-sunshine)
7. Ali Hazelwood has a professional background in which area of science herself? (Neuroscience (she is a neuroscientist))
8. What broad genre does the book belong to? (Contemporary romance (romantic comedy))

□ Bookmarks

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



☆ Rate the book

Swoon factor

☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Coziness

☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Banter and humor

☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Comfort read appeal

☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Emotional warmth

☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

One word for how this book made you feel: _____

The scene I would happily reread by candlelight: _____

A person this book made me think of: _____

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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