

A Pocket Full of Murderer

Reading Guide

Mystery Words

After reading *A Pocket Full of Murder*, some of these words may have been unfamiliar. Use clues to guess what they mean, then look up the definition to see if you were right!



Brusquely



Indignant



Implore



Slanderous



Nobles



Commoner



Wistfulness



Repentance



Radicals



Dispersed

Now list 5 words you had trouble understanding during your reading and look up the definition.





Detective Diagrams

Use your sleuthing skills to investigate the similarities and differences between Isaveth and Quiz from *A Pocket Full of Murder*.

Isaveth

Differences
ex. Likes to write

Similarities
ex. Both like
Auradia Champion

Differences
ex. Loves to solve mysteries

Quiz



A Pocket Full of Questions

Discussion Questions:

1. Describe the worlds of Isaveth and Quiz. How are they different and how has it shaped their characters? How are they similar?
2. Magic plays a large role in Isaveth's world, how does magic shape her life? How do her skills with magic affect the outcome of *A Pocket Full of Murder*?
3. How are the characters in the book developed? Do we learn their every secret early on or slowly throughout the book? How do the characters change from the beginning of the book to the end?
4. How is the theme of identity handled in the book? What do Isaveth and Quiz use to determine their identities?
5. How is religion treated in the book? What impact does religion (Moshite/Unifying) play on the characters?

Reflection Questions:

1. Isaveth and Quiz come from opposite worlds. How do you think they were able to break out of their social classes and become friends?
2. Family plays a large role in *A Pocket Full of Murder*. How do Isaveth's relationship with her parents and her siblings shape her character? What role does she play in the family?
3. Do you think Isaveth would have solved the mystery without Quiz? What do each of their characters offer the other?
4. What impact do you think the secondary characters have in the book? Do they play a large role? Do they change the course of the novel?
5. Did you see the twist at the end of the book coming? Do you think Isaveth was smart to trust Quiz knowing his past? What would you have done?