



An American Marriage by Tayari Jones

Discussion Questions

1. What roles do race and class play in the book? Why do you think Jones chose not to identify the race of the woman who accused Roy?
2. At what point did Celestial and Roy's marriage begin to fall apart? Do you think they would have stayed together if Roy hadn't gone to prison?
3. How do you think the story would have been different if Roy had been accused, but not convicted?
4. Which character did you identify with most? Did having three first-person narratives help you better understand the characters' motivations?
5. Celestial's art reflects her life experiences. How does her art define her as a character? Why do you think Jones chose to make her an artist?
6. How did you feel about the conclusion? Did you think that Celestial made the right decision? (www.bookbub.com/blog)

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