

Reading Group Guide for
***Letters from My Sister* by Valerie Fraser Luesse**

(Spoiler alert—these questions assume you've already read the book)

1. Which of the characters do you most relate to on a personal level? Why?
2. Which of the characters do you find the most intriguing? Why?
3. Was there a character you liked more or less by the end of the book than you did at the beginning?
4. Why do you think Callie is unable to be content like Emmy?
5. What does Solomon offer Callie that no one else can?
6. What do you think about the question Hepsy poses to Callie: "Would y'all have saved *me* if Mama hadn't saved *y'all*?"
7. Did you like the setting of the book? How did you picture it in your mind?
8. What do you think Callie means when she tells Emmy that she still loves thunderstorms but doesn't need them anymore?
9. How would you describe the relationship between Callie's parents?
10. What is it about Lily that so upsets the white women in the community?
11. Why do you think Camile Montgomery attacks Lily's character?
12. Which of the male leads was your favorite? Why?
13. Did you figure out what Callie saw before she remembered it? If so, how?
14. Did you figure out what really happened with Emmy and Lily before it was revealed? If so, how?
15. What does the book say about the changing roles of women at the turn of the twentieth century?
16. Do you think it's possible for the bonds of friendship to cross racial and cultural barriers? Why or why not?
17. What does the book say about Southern women, both Black and White?
18. What Christian threads did you see running through the book?