Guidelines for lively book discussions:

**Respect and allow space** for others. Some people are more outgoing than others; once you've had a chance to talk, allow others time to speak and avoid talking over them.

**Keep an open mind.** Learn from others, and acknowledge that differences of opinion is what makes it interesting!

**Offer new thoughts.** Try not to repeat what others have said, but offer a perspective that hasn't been explored yet.

**Stay on topic.** Help the conversation flow by concentrating your feedback on the topic of the book rather than delving into too many personal references.

Suggested discussion questions, courtesy of Book Riot.

**General questions:**
- What did you like best about this book?
- Which character in the book would you most like to meet?
- What feelings did this book evoke for you?

**For fiction:**
- Did the characters seem believable to you? Did they remind you of anyone?
For nonfiction:

- What did you already know about this book’s subject before you read this book? What new things did you learn?

Download and print all 40 questions or visit bookriot.com for more info!

Find a public book group near you!

- Mid-Columbia Libraries’ Kennewick Branch, second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm
- Mid-Columbia Libraries’ Kennewick Branch, second Monday of the month at 10:30 am
- Mid-Columbia Libraries’ Pasco Branch, third Wednesday of the month at 1 pm
- Richland Public Library, third Monday of the month at 6:30 pm
- Barnes & Noble Cafe, last Thursday of the month at 7 pm
- Caterpillar Cafe, first Friday of the month at 7 pm
- East Benton County History Museum, second Wednesday of the month from February to October at 6:15 pm

Click here for more details, or check the Tri-City Herald entertainment section. An updated list is published each Sunday.

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