

Discussion Guide *Sex on the Slopes* by Susan Lyons

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Thanks so much for reading *Sex on the Slopes*. I hope you enjoyed it and I'd love to hear from you. I'm happy to provide bookmarks and autographed bookplates; just send me your name and address. Please visit my website for info on other titles, insights into how each book came about, excerpts, reviews, recipes, a monthly contest, and other fun stuff.

Now, let's talk about the story. I suggest you skim through the questions and pick the ones that interest you the most.

General

- 1. Playing favorites. Who is your favorite couple? Which is your favorite love scene?
- 2. The heroes. If you could choose among the guys, which one would you pick? Why?
- 3. Secrets and lies. Each couple has reasons for keeping their relationship a secret. Why do they feel so strongly about this? Do their reasons make sense to you? What would happen if their secret got out?
- 4. *Time frame*. The three novellas take place during the same time period, the week before Shelley and Tom's wedding. How did that work for you? Did you enjoy getting glimpses of each couple's relationship through the other couples' eyes?

Fire and Ice

- 5. *Instant sparks*. When Andi and Jared meet the night of the fire, there's an instant, fiery mutual attraction. Why did it happen? Have you ever experienced anything like that?
- 6. Loved and lost. Jared has already loved a woman, and was shattered when he lost her. How does this affect his life now? How does it affect his approach to dating and to finding love again? Do you think it's possible for a person to love deeply more than one time in their life?
- 7. *First and only*. Andi's a romantic and wants to be a man's "one and only." How does that affect the way she deals with Jared, and with her own emotions?
- 8. Fears. What do you think Andi most fears? What do think Jared does?
- 9. *The course of true love*. What steps did you see in the development of Andi and Jared's relationship? Which ones are normal for two strangers who are falling in love, and which relate to their particular situation?
- 10. *Bridezilla*. Can you relate to Shelley? What are the issues between her and Tom, and how do they deal with them? Do you see any parallels between their relationship and Andi and Jared's?
- 11. A happy ending? Do you think things will work out for Andi and Jared? What have they learned over the course of the story? Do you believe their love will grow and they'll be able to deal with whatever problems come their way?

Slippery Slope

- 12. *At first sight*. What first attracts Brianna to Zack, and vice versa? How does this remain the same or change as the story progresses?
- 13. *Attraction of opposites*. In what ways do you see Brianna and Zack as opposites? What do they have in common? How do their differences and similarities play into their mutual attraction?
- 14. *Fears*. What does Brianna fear the most? Where does that come from? How about Zack? Do you think he has any fears or insecurities?
- 15. Boy toy and cougar. Brianna worries about the age difference. What do you think about that?
- 16. *The course of true love*. What steps did you see in the development of Brianna and Zack's relationship? Which ones are normal for two strangers who are falling in love, and which relate to their particular situation?
- 17. *Shelley*. At times, Shelley isn't very nice to Tom and Brianna isn't very nice to Zack. Why do they each act like that? Even if there were times you didn't like them much, could you relate and sympathize?
- 18. A happy ending? Do you think things will work out for Brianna and Zack? What have they learned over the course of the story? Do you believe their love will grow and they'll be able to deal with whatever problems come their way?

In Hot Pursuit of a Bad Boy

- 19. Childhood crush. Why did young Maddie have a crush on Logan? How did he feel about her?
- 20. *All grown up*. The adult Maddie sees Logan as a bit of a challenge. What's that all about? If you were her, would you have gone after him or steered clear of him? Did you ever run into a childhood crush later in life and if so, how did that go?
- 21. The only woman. What has Maddie meant in Logan's life? Why is she special to him?
- 22. *Brother Tom.* Why were Tom and Logan friends as teens, and why have they stayed in touch? Why did Tom ask Logan to leave town after high school, and why did Logan go? Now, why does Tom still want Logan and Maddie to stay away from each other? Why do they each refuse to do that?
- 23. *Logan's job*. How did Logan's background lead him to being an undercover cop? Why does he like the job? How does his job affect his relationship with Maddie, as well as their future together?
- 24. Dreams and fears. What does Logan most want, and most fear? How about Maddie?
- 25. *The course of true love*. What steps did you see in the development of Maddie and Logan's relationship? Which ones are normal for two strangers who are falling in love, and which relate to their particular situation?
- 26. A happy ending? Do you think things will work out for Maddie and Logan? What have they learned over the course of the story? Do you believe their love will grow and they'll be able to deal with whatever problems come their way?

I'd love to hear your thoughts on some of these questions and issues! Drop me an email at susan@susanlyons.ca. And don't forget to drop by my website: www.susanlyons.ca. You can also find me on Facebook by looking for Susan Lyons Fox.

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