

STALKED Reader Questions

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1. How does the media play a role in the story? Does media coverage of Haley's disappearance help or hurt her chances of being found?
2. What part does family play in the story? How do the various relationships impact Haley – and Evelyn? What about other characters in the book?
3. How do secrets influence the story? How are both Haley and Evelyn changed because of the secrets they did – or didn't – keep?
4. How do Quincy Palmer's actions influence the case? Does his motivation for what he did matter? Does Sophia Lopez bear any responsibility for how things ultimately turn out for Quincy?
5. What does Linda Varner do right and wrong in her desperate search for her daughter? How do her relationships influence what happens to Haley?
6. What role does fear play in the story, for both Haley and Tonya? Who are they afraid of, and what might have changed if they hadn't been afraid to speak up and seek help?
7. How do Evelyn's decisions about the people in her life impact her? Does profiling people in her job seep into her personal life and her interactions? Is she right to make the decision she does about her own family?
8. What role does gender play in the two investigations? What about socio-economic status?
9. How does trust impact what happens to the characters? Who trusts someone they shouldn't, and when should trust be given despite past mistakes?
10. How does Evelyn Baine change throughout the story? How does investigating Haley's case change her?