



Book Club in a Bag

Discussion Questions

The Flight Attendant by Chris Bohjalian

1. What traits do Cassie and Elena (“Miranda”) have in common, and what are their fundamental differences? Though they were raised worlds apart, how did their parents teach them to conceal their true selves?
2. How did your opinion of Alex Sokolov shift as his life story unfolded? At first, what did you think was the motive behind his murder?
3. What does *The Flight Attendant* say about the distinction between bad decisions and destiny? To what degree are Cassie and Elena in control of their misdirected choices?
4. Discuss the men in Cassie’s life. What keeps her from experiencing real intimacy? What’s different about Enrico?
5. In the novel and in your own experience, what does it ultimately take to become the person you always wanted to be?
6. As you read the FBI reports, what did you discover about information and power? Would you have followed the advice of attorney Ani Mouradian and tell the truth to the FBI?
7. Even though she has logged thousands of miles in her career, Cassie still marvels at the miracle of flight when she sees a plane passing overhead. How did the novel enhance your appreciation for air travel and flight crews? What elements of the job surprised you the most? If you were in Cassie’s line of work, which routes would you bid on most often?
8. Are the novel’s characters cold-blooded or compassionate, or are they some combination of each? Were you good at predicting which characters were the bad guys?

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