

## Reading Group Guide for STAY by Allie Larkin

1. How does having to share the major relationships in her life with the Driscolls affect Van?
2. Have you ever had an unrequited love? Why do you think Van had such a hard time getting over Peter?
3. Do you think Peter was consciously aware of Van's feelings for him?
4. What do you think would have happened if Diane never walked in on Peter and Van on the wedding night?
5. Do you think Janie will follow in Diane's footsteps ~ choosing the appearance of perfect, over happiness ~ or do you think she'll try to change and embrace the messiness of an authentic life?
6. How is Van's condo a reflection of her state of being? Do you think her new home will have the same level of chaos and disarray?
7. In what ways does Joe change Van's life?
8. How do you feel about Diane? How do you think Diane feels about Van? Do you think Diane and Van will be able to have a relationship moving forward?
9. Compare Van's relationship with Natalie to Diane's relationship with Janie.
10. Why do you think Diane and Natalie kept Natalie's cancer a secret from Van? Do you think it would have been better for Van to find out sooner?
11. Do you think Van should have cashed the check from Diane? Do you think taking the money will have future implications? Would you have done the same?
12. How do you think Van's drinking impacts her life? Why does she drink?
13. How is Alex different from Peter? What do you think Van finds so appealing about the ways Alex is different?
14. How does Louis's relationship with Alex affect Van's feelings for Alex?
15. Why do you think Alex changes his mind about Van?

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