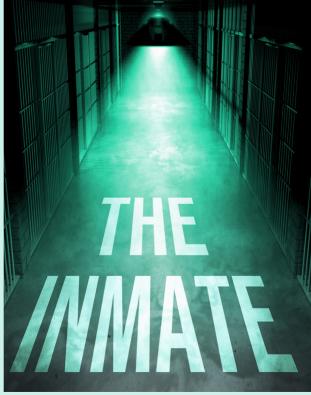
#1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR FREIDA MCFADDEN



Book Club Questions



- 1. What were your initial impressions of Brooke as a protagonist? Did your opinion of her change throughout the story?
- 2. How did the prison setting contribute to the tension in the book? Could the story have worked in a different setting?
- 3. Did you find Shane convincing as someone potentially innocent? Why or why not?
- 4. What clues, if any, made you suspect the true killer before the big reveal?
- 5. How did the twists affect your overall experience of the book?
 - 6. What does the book say about trust? Which relationships in the story best illustrate this theme?

7. How did jealousy play a role in shaping the characters' actions and the overall plot?

- 8. Discuss the theme of justice in the novel. Did the ending provide closure in this regard?
- 9. How does the story explore the impact of guilt, both for crimes committed and for choices made?

10. In what ways did Brooke's past influence her decisions in the present?

- 11. Did you sympathize with Shane? Why or why not?
- 12. How did Rachel's betrayal affect your perception of her character?
- 13. What role did Wyatt play in grounding Brooke as a character?
- 14. Were the supporting characters in the prison, such as the staff, impactful to the story?
- 15. Which character surprised you the most, and why?

16. How did the short chapters and pacing influence your reading experience?

- 17. Were there moments where you found the plot unrealistic? How did that affect your enjoyment of the story?
- 18.Did the alternating tension between Brooke's personal life and the prison setting work well for you?

19. How effective was the ending? Were you satisfied with how the story wrapped up?

20. What do you think the author was trying to say about the blurred lines between guilt and innocence?