

Dawn of the North

Book Club Guide

Thank you for choosing The Ashen Series for your book club! In this guide, you'll find
Discussion Questions, and Book Club Games.



Discussion Questions

1. Which character did you connect to the most in this story?
2. What was your favorite scene in this book?
3. Now that Silla and Saga are finally reunited, who do you think will take the throne?
4. What do you think Kass and Rey's dynamic will be in the next book(s)?
5. What did you think of the Jonas and Queen Signe pairing? Do you think their alliance is strong?
6. Do you think Jonas's character is redeemable, or a lost cause?
7. What similarities can you see between Signe and Saga's situations? What distinguishes the two from one another?
8. Did you ever suspect Lady Tala or Ingvarr as working for Signe?
9. Can you understand Saga's anger at Kassandr for taking away her choice and essentially kidnapping her? Can you understand why Kassandr did it? Is one of them more 'right' than the other?
10. Do you have any theories why Kassandr wouldn't go all the way with Saga on their wedding night?
11. What did you think of the ending of Dawn of the North?
 - a. What do you think Ivar's death will mean for the next book?
 - b. What do you think the dragon's awakening will mean for the characters?



Activity Questions

Would you rather...

1. Be coupled up with Rey, Kass, or Eyvind?
2. Weave tapestries with Harpa or paint with Saga?
3. Be a Zagadkian shifter, a horsemaiden, or a member of the Bloodaxe Crew?
4. Learn battle tactics with Rey or learn how to pick locks with Kass?
5. Be trapped in a room with Myrkur or the massive serpent from Kingdom of Claw?
6. Wear royal dresses or lebrynja armor?
7. Fight 10,000 of Silla's chicks or 100 grimwolves?
8. Be forced to listen to a ceaseless stream of Jonas talking about his feelings or Myrkur whispering in your head?
9. Have a winged horse like Havoc or a talking squirrel like Kritka?
10. Be the heir to the throne or the second-in-line?



Who Said It?

(Answers are on the next page)

1. “I look like a rowan berry.”
2. “I will never marry you!”
3. “Perhaps you can win her favor back. Might I suggest baby chicks?”
4. “I know what you really are. You’re nothing but a filthy little *thief*.”
5. “My wicked little bird wishes to give to the Urkans a taste of their own ale.”
6. “Did he not perform the mating strut to your satisfaction?”
7. “You aspire to be queen. Let me in, Eisa, and together we can accomplish it.”
8. “Do you feel like a man when you pick on those weaker than you? Does it make you feel *large*, warrior?”
9. “I’m saying that perhaps you’re brash and drive me absolutely mad. But I’ve been betrothed twice before and I find you far preferable to my other promised husbands.”
10. “I’ve always wanted a brother. Let us find you some clothing!”
11. “Hush now, darling. I want to watch as the light fades from your eyes.”



Answers: 1. Rey 2. Saga 3. Rey 4. Kaeja 5. Kass 6. Kritka 7. Myrkur 8. Jonas
9. Saga 10. Silla 11. Signe

