

BOOK CLUB QUESTIONS FOR LEARNING TO SWIM, BY SARA J. HENRY

1. What did you think was thrown off the ferry?
2. If you were Troy, would you have jumped into the lake if you weren't sure it was a child thrown off the ferry? Even if you were sure?
3. Would you have held onto Paul or immediately gone to the police? Why or why not?
4. Were you immediately suspicious of Philippe? Who else did you suspect?
5. Would you have risked getting so heavily invested in Paul's life?
6. Could you have walked away from Philippe?
7. What do you think of Jameson?
8. If you were Troy, would you be more attracted to Philippe or Jameson? Why?
9. When did you begin to suspect Troy was in real danger?
10. If you were confronted in the final scenes as Troy was, would you have been able to keep calm?
11. Is it more difficult for a woman alone in the world than a man alone in the world?
12. If you were childless, would you be able to resist the chance for a meaningful connection with a child? Why or why not?
13. Does Troy act out of altruism, common decency, or a unique kind of selfishness?
14. Is there something about Troy's untethered lifestyle that appeals to you?
15. Where do you think Troy's life should go from here?