Book Club Discussion Questions for It All Comes Back to You

How did you experience It All Comes Back to You? Were you engaged immediately, or did it take you a while to get into it?

Which character – including the supporting cast – did you feel the most empathy towards?

What primary emotional response did the story evoke in you?

Do you feel there's an underlying theme, a statement the author was trying to make?

Did you perceive Chet as an innocent boy under the influence of an overwhelming crush, or something more sinister?

Do you think the book makes statements about mothers and children in general?

Did you like the characters and, if not, was that important to your enjoyment of the book?

Were there characters you loved to hate? Did they remind you of people you know or familiar characters from another story?

Does Ronni change by the end of the book? If so, how?

Have you experienced a nursing home or assisted living facility firsthand? Do you feel the book accurately reflects residents? Caregivers?

Do you think Ronni's version of Violet's life was accurate, both the re-telling of Violet's experiences and Ronni's personal perception of Violet?

Do you think Violet should have managed to leave Tolly? What resources did she have as a victim of domestic violence in the 1960s?

In what ways does the title, "It All Comes Back to You", refer to the story?

If Deanna had managed to contact her birth mother late in both their lives, what do you think her relationship with Violet would have been like? Did you see Violet in Deanna at all?

How would Violet's life have unfolded if Johnny hadn't been injured? Would they have married and been happy?

Violet and Sam faced many barriers. Do you think they could have had a happy marriage?

Did you like the alternating chapter structure? Would you have preferred the story told differently?

Does Violet's 1940s-1960s Alabama match your idea of the way things were there at that time? Does Corinna seem an authentic character? How important was she to the Glenn Family?

Were you surprised to know CeeCee became so successful?

Was there one moment in the story that particularly touched you?

Thank you for reading! If you have questions for me about any part of this, feel free to contact Beth@BethDuke.com.

