

reading group guide

1. If *I'm So Sure* was made into a movie, who would you cast as the characters?
2. A reoccurring theme in the book is that things aren't always what they seem. Where was this theme evident?
3. In your own life, have you been in a situation where something or someone didn't match the first impression?
4. Bella Kirkwood really struggles in her relationship with her dad. Is she justified in her bitterness? What advice would you give her?
5. What would the perks be of living your life on a reality show? The drawbacks? Why is America so in love with reality TV?
6. What are some issues Bella has as a result of her parents' divorce? Describe some difficulties of being a child of divorce—either from a personal experience or from what you've seen a friend go through.
7. In what ways do Bella and other characters have a hard time with honesty—either in blatant lying or just not being able to share his/her heart? Why do you think it's so difficult to tell people how we really feel?
8. Bella's made a few mistakes in the boyfriend department. What

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advice would you give her? Can you think of a Bible verse that would apply?

9. Bella is learning to rely on family and friends in *I'm So Sure*. Describe the moments she needed them the most.
10. The character of Callie got so obsessed with winning the prom queen contest, she made some really bad decisions. Have you ever gotten so focused on something (one particular friend, a boy, a job, a test) that other things or relationships suffered?
11. How did Bella's "gift" of nosiness lead her into trouble? Do you have a dominant flaw that sometimes lands you in hot water?
12. Bella splits her time between Manhattan and Truman, Oklahoma. What are the perks of each? The downsides? What do you think God is trying to teach Bella with this contrast?
13. What do you believe the title *I'm So Sure* means? When you are making a decision or have a problem, how do you know for certain what the right answer is?