

Discussion Questions

The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

1. Some early readers say viewing the world through a dog's eyes increases appreciation for being human. Why do you think this is?
2. Enzo's observations offer his philosophy on life. How do his ideas apply to real life?
3. In the book's darkest moments, Zoe's stuffed zebra comes to life. What does it symbolize?
4. Can you imagine the story being told from Denny's perspective? How would it change the novel?
5. Enzo believes his soul is human. How does this affect his worldview? What do you think about reincarnation and karma?
6. Do you look at your own dog differently after reading this book?
7. What parallels exist between the art of racing and the art of living?
8. Why does Ayrton Senna resonate so deeply with Denny?