

Book Club Questions Good Material by Dolly Alderton

- 1. You may have read any of Dolly Alderton's previous works, especially her Times UK column, "Dear Dolly." If you have, what are the differences and similarities between her fiction and nonfiction? Do you think one informs the other?
- 2. What did you make of Morris and his relationship with Andy? Did he surprise you in the end?
- 3. There are a lot of interesting passages from Andy's point of view about the differences between men and women, and specifically his insecurity that women are able to access a deeper or more complex plane of emotion than he seems to be, or at least that women think that of him. What do you make of this? Do you suspect it's a common anxiety? How should we address it either on an individual or a collective level?
- 4. "I soon realised that inevitably of every relationship: that the things that initially draw you to each other become the exact things that irritate you the most." Do you agree or disagree? If so, how do you cope with that in a healthy partnership?
- 5. In the end, who did you find yourself empathizing with more --- Andy or Jen?

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