

BOOK CLUB DISCUSSIONS

- What do you think of the book's title? What other title might you choose?
- Everything Beautiful Is Not Ruined has different covers in Canada and the United States. Which one do you like best?



- If you could trade places with any character in Everything Beautiful Is Not Ruined, who would you choose and why?
- Which character did you relate to the most in Everything Beautiful Is Not Ruined, and what was it about them that you connected with?

- 5. What are some of the themes in Everything Beautiful Is Not Ruined? How would you rate their importance?
- What did you think of the ending of Everything Beautiful Is Not Ruined? If you could write an alternate ending, what would happen?
- Why do you think Danielle Younge-Ullman decided to set part of the novel in such a remote area?
- Share a favorite quote from *Everything* Beautiful Is Not Ruined. Why did this quote stand out?
- Everything Beautiful Is Not Ruined is told in two parts, from different times in Ingrid's life. Do you think this was an effective form of storytelling? Why or why not?
- 10. If you got the chance to ask Danielle Younge-Ullman one question about Everything Beautiful Is Not Ruined, what would it be?

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