

Book Club Discussion Questions – *What They Don't Know* by Susan Furlong

1. This story begins with four women at their weekly wine and book club: Mona, the main character, Selma, Alice, and Tara. What are your initial impressions of each woman?
2. In the first chapter, we learn that each woman is lying to herself about something. What is each woman in denial about?
3. Which character do you relate to the most?
4. Describe how the story portrays Mona's relationship with her son, Gus, in the beginning of the story? Middle? By the end of the story?
5. At what point in the story, do you begin to wonder if Mona is mentally stable? What do you believe about her mental stability at the end of the story?
6. How would you describe Ben at the beginning of the story, in the middle of the story, and at the end of the story?
7. How did Mona's friends or other secondary characters influence Mona and impact the plot?
8. Were you surprised with twists in the story, or did you see them coming?
9. What was the most memorable scene in the story?
10. Who was your favorite character? Your least favorite character? Why?