

Curative Reading Fall Series – 2021
***The All-Night Sun*, By Diane Zinna**
Week Two Questions (Forward, Chapters 3-6)

Special Note For Answering Week Two Questions: *Developing a greater sense of empathy for others as well as yourself is one of the benefits of Curative Reading. As you come to know the characters in the story in these first few chapters, you are also creating connections and developing empathy with your fellow Curative Readers. If you are participating on-line weekly, practice deep listening when your fellow Curative Readers speak. Take them with you as you read the story and see if they show up in some way. Write their name down in the margins and mark an “E” next to a passage that might remind you of them. If you feel empathy for a particular character, yourself or someone you know while reading, mark a name and an “E” next to the passage. The more “Es” you have the stronger your empathy muscle will become.*

Chapter Three

As this chapter opens, what did Lauren want to tell Siri that she did not?

Describe the article of clothing Lauren has kept with her since her parent’s death. Have you held on to an article of clothing for sentimental reasons like this. If so, write a line or two about it.

Who is Annie?

Chapter Four

We learn some of the details about who Lauren’s parents were in this chapter. Write a few characteristics that stand out to you about each one.

What do we learn about Siri in this chapter that she has in common with Lauren? Have you ever met a friend who could relate to you in a similar way? If so, write a line or two about that.

What is the name of Lauren's favorite short story?

Pg. 48 "The day I told Siri my story, something inside of me clicked open." Can you recall a similar experience when you finally told someone a story (regarding the death of a loved one or something else) that you had held back? If so, write a line or two about that experience.

Chapter Five

When Lauren arrives at Siri's home in Sweden and the sun is shining into the night she describes the experience in this way: "It was squinty eyes and the reminder that you want to run, to move, to spring; the reminder that your body has parts that need watering." Does your body have parts that need watering? What are they?

What does the Swedish word mangata mean? Can you recall a time when you experienced this? If so, write a line or two about it.

Chapter Six

What is the blue hour?

Describe who Magnus is in your mind's eye and imagination from the facts you have learned about his so far in the story.

Lauren speaks often about her "grief" in these chapters. Select a passage about grief that stands out to you. It can either ring true or you may find it is not the way you would describe grief. Then write a line or two about why you selected this passage, or write your own description of grief.