



# WHO WE ARE IN REAL LIFE

by Victoria Koops



## Discussion Questions

**1.The Gaming:** How do Dungeons and Dragons connect the real characters to the imaginary ones?

**2.Identity Exploration:** How does the concept of identity play a role in the characters' lives? In what ways do the characters struggle with their sense of self?

**3.Real vs. Virtual Life:** How does the book address the contrast between real life and virtual interactions? What commentary does it make about social media and online personas?

**4.Character Development:** Discuss the growth of the main characters throughout the story. What key events or revelations contribute to their development?

5.Explain how fantasy and reality collide when Darcy's and Art's Dungeons and Dragons characters join forces to fight corruption.

6.Why does Art's father prevent Darcy and her friends from starting a queer straight alliance at school?

**7.Community and Belonging:** How does the author portray the importance of community and belonging? In what ways do the characters seek connection with others?





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**8. Themes of Isolation:** In what ways do the characters experience isolation? How does this affect their choices and relationships?

**9. Moral Dilemmas:** What moral dilemmas do the characters face? How do their decisions reflect their personalities and values?

**10. Family Dynamics:** How are family relationships depicted in the book? What influence do families have on the identities and choices of the characters?

**11. Coping with Change:** How do the characters cope with the changes in their lives? What strategies do they use to adapt to new circumstances?

**12. Influence of Technology:** What role does technology play in the characters' lives? Does it serve as a tool for connection or a barrier?

**13. Personal Growth:** Which character's journey resonated with you the most, and why? What insights about personal growth did you gain from their story?

**14. Symbolism and Metaphor:** Are there any symbols or metaphors in the book that stood out to you? How do they enhance the central themes or messages?





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**15. Empathy and Understanding:** In what ways do the characters demonstrate empathy toward one another? What does the book teach about understanding other people's experiences?

**16. Lessons Learned:** After finishing the book, what lessons or reflections do you take away regarding your own life and identity?

17. What other RPGs (role playing game) are you familiar with, other than Dungeons and Dragons? Explain briefly.

