

ON THE SURFACE

1. What were you like as a teenager? Which character reminds you the most of yourself? Why?

2. Of the antagonist characters, who was your favorite villain and why?

3. If someone discovered tunnels under your city, how would you react? Would you want to explore them?

4. Harriet teaches Rose the Underground's codes, both verbal and hand signals, which are almost like another language. Have you ever studied another language, or maybe sign language? Share about your experience.



INTO THE TUNNELS

1. Harriet's dreams foreshadow future events and were inspired by the author's dream of seeing the setting for *Divided* and meeting its main characters. Have you ever had a dream which came true? If willing, please share! If no one has, what do you think that would be like to wake up and know for certain a dream would come true?

2. If you were in Marcos's place and longed to be free from the walls and control, would you have taken the easy jump over a chain linked fence? Why or why not? Follow-up for further discussion – would you have tried to come back or not? Why or why not?

3. Rose stubbornly clings to her desire for learning by entering Martin's physicist training program, against her mother's wishes. Did you agree with her decision or not? Why or why not?

4. The characters have all grown up segregated away from other cultures. This is what makes some of their first encounters so fun and also critical. Have you ever encountered an unfamiliar culture? Describe and discuss your experiences.

IN THE UNDERGROUND

1. The walls in Divided are physical, but also function as an antagonist in the story, frustrating the characters' goals. They also have relevance to our lives. What are some modern-day walls in our society? How do these walls function as antagonists?

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3. In Divided Jason realizes his father's intentions aren't beneficial for him and he resists his father's influence. Have you ever been in a friendship or family relationship with someone and you've realized their true intentions aren't health? What did you do?

4. Discuss Marcos and Jason's friendship as it relates to how they worked together. What did you notice about their friendship? How do you think it will change as the series continues?