



the orphans

book one: the lost race trilogy

Book Club Discussion Questions

1. Were you engaged immediately, or did it take you a while to get into the story? How did you feel reading this book—amused, sad, excited, disturbed, curious, bored?
2. Did you discover any recurring themes throughout the book?
3. What did you like best about THE ORPHANS? What did you like least about this book?
4. Which characters in the book did you like the most?
5. Which characters did you like least?
6. Did you find the characters believable?
7. How did the characters change throughout the story? How did your opinion of them change?
8. If you were making a movie of THE ORPHANS, who would you cast?
9. Share a favorite quote from the book. Why did this quote stand out?
10. Would you read another book by author Deborah Riley-Magnus? Why or why not?
11. If you could ask the author one question, what would it be?
12. Which character in the book would you most like to meet?
13. What do you think of the book's title? How does it relate to the book's content?
14. What do you think of the book's cover? How well does it convey what the book is about?
15. What do you think the author's purpose was in writing this book? What ideas was she trying to get across?
16. How original and unique is THE ORPHANS?
17. How well do you think the author built the world of Ariel's Gate?
18. How well do you think the author built the world of the Pittsburgh Underground Tribunal?
19. How well do you think the author built the world of The Emmaus Magic Show?
20. What is your favorite scene from the book, and why?
21. What surprised you most in the story, and why?
22. What do you expect from the second book in The Lost Race Trilogy, METATRON'S DAUGHTERS?