## Mama Day by Gloria Naylor Book Club

- 1. What do you think of the 3<sup>rd</sup> person narration?
- 2. How do you feel about the switching perspectives?
- 3. This book was published in 1988, does the book feel dated and how?
- 4. What genre do you think this book is?
- 5. Who do you think is the protagonist and why?
- 6. Would you want to visit Willow Springs, why or why not?
- 7. How does the history of Willow Springs affect the story?
- 8. Who is your favorite character and why?
- 9. Who your least favorite character and why?
- 10. What do you think of Candle Walk?
- 11. Why do you think sewing the wedding quilt gives Mama Day glimpses of the past and future?
- 12. By keeping Ophelia from going to Muddy Waters, do you think Mama Day was protecting her from Ruby?
- 13. What do you think causes the division between Part I and Part II?
- 14. What do you think of the language and symbolism in the book?
- 15. Why do you think the graveyard sounds so fascinating?
- 16. What do you think of the other place?
- 17. Does the big fight between George and Ophelia seem realistic?
- 18. Why is the hurricane a Woman?
- 19. Did you expect Little Caesar's death and what does it mean?
- 20. Is love stronger than hate?
- 21. What do you think of George's sacrifice?
- 22. Why is it tragic that Cocoa has no pictures of George?
- 23. Did you like the book?