

From Blood and Ash by Jennifer L. Armentrout Book Club

1. What do you think of the 1<sup>st</sup> person narration?
2. How do you feel about the violence in the book?
3. What do you think of the world building?
4. Would you want to live in this world? Why or why not?
5. How do you feel about the pacing?
6. Who is your favorite character and why?
7. Who is your least favorite character and why?
8. How does Poppy (Penellaphe) going to the Red Pearl at the beginning of the book show her character?
9. What do you think of Poppy's life as the Maiden?
10. How do you feel about the themes of Death and violence in the book?
11. What do you think of the theme of trust in the book?
12. How do you feel about the magic system with Craven, Woven, Ascended, mortals, and Atlantians?
13. What would you want to be in this world and why?
14. On page, 137, Poppy thinks "The Dark One would not take me. That was a vow I would kill for and die to uphold." How does her vow hold up throughout the story?
15. What do you think of Poppy running to the walls to fight the Craven?
16. At what point did you think the Rite would turn into a massacre and why?
17. How do you feel about the Duke's death and then Poppy killing Lord Brandole?
18. What do you think of Poppy fleeing with Hawke?
19. How do you feel about the trip through the Blood Forest?
20. Would you want to be able to feel other people's physical or emotional pain? Why or why not?
21. When Hawke and Poppy consummate their relationship he makes her promise to remember that it was real, what do you think of this scene and why?
22. How do you feel when Hawke explains the world and its history to Poppy?
23. What do you think of the attack on Poppy in the dungeon?
24. How do you feel about Hawke saving Poppy and then Poppy stabbing him in the heart?
25. Do you think Casteel overreacted when he killed everyone who tried to kill Poppy? Why or why not?
26. How do you feel about Poppy being part Atlantian?
27. What do you think of the last line?
28. Did you like the book?
29. Do you want to read more in the series?