

## The Affair by Lee Child

1. What do you think of the 1<sup>st</sup> person narration?
2. This book is set in 1997 but it was published in 2011, how does it feel dated?
3. Technically this is the 16<sup>th</sup> book in the series but it is a prequel, is this a good starting point for the series?
4. Why do you think the book starts at the Pentagon?
5. How does the setting of a small town in Mississippi next to an army base affect the story?
6. Do you think the book would have been different if Jack Reacher had been assigned to Kelham rather than Carter's Crossing undercover? Why or why not?
7. Who is your favorite character and why?
8. Who is your least favorite character and why?
9. What do you think of Reacher's clothing choices and what does it say about his character?
10. How does Sheriff Elizabeth Deveraux's ability to blow Reacher's cover immediately change the story?
11. What do you think of Reacher's investigative skills?
12. What do you think of the two earlier murders that became cold cases and the similarity between the victims?
13. How do the McKinney cousins affect the story?
14. Do you think it is important that Jack Reacher never manages to talk to his brother, Joe? Why or why not?
15. What do you think of the clue of the car hit by the train?
16. Why do you think the train kept going after hitting a car but stopped after hitting a human?
17. Do you think Janice May Chapman, the 27-year-old victim, owning a house with no mortgage is suspicious?
18. Were you surprised that rape wasn't part of the crimes? Why or why not?
19. What do you think of the relationship between Elizabeth Deveraux and Jack Reacher?
20. Does Jack Reacher seem like the type of man who has a fiancée? Why or why not?
21. What do you think of Reacher's reaction to Bruce Lindsay's murder?
22. How do you feel about Reacher shooting and killing Bruce's murderer?
23. What did you think about the clues in the book?
24. When did you figure out who the killer was?
25. How do you feel about the fight scenes in the book?
26. What did you think on the way Reacher forced the bad guy monologues?
27. Do you like the ending?
28. Did you like the book?
29. Would you read more in the series?