Deception by Gaslight by Kate Belli Book Club

- 1. What do you think of the 3rd person narration from alternating perspectives?
- 2. The book begins with Genevieve in a dark alley surrounded by three men, how does this make you feel?
- 3. What do you think of Genevieve being brave enough to introduce herself to the men as a reporter and ask them about Robin Hood?
- 4. How do you feel about Danny buying a piece of bluefish he didn't want so he wouldn't waste the time of the fishwife?
- 5. What do you think of Genevieve and Daniel's first meeting in the alley compared to their second in the ballroom?
- 6. How do all the rumors about Daniel's relationship with Van Joost, the man whose fortune he inherited affect the story?
- 7. What do you think of the idea of slumming tours like the one Genevieve accused Danny of being on during their first encounter in the alley? (These were real and are back)
- 8. Who is your favorite character and why?
- 9. Who is your least favorite character and why?
- 10. What do you think of the setting of Gilded Age New York?
- 11. What do you think of the class issues in the book?
- 12. How do you feel about Robin Hood stealing from the wealthy and then sending an accounting of their sins to the newspapers?
- 13. On page 56, Daniel tells Genevieve to "Follow the money." Do you agree with that maxim? Why or why not?
- 14. What do you think of Reginald Cotswold's death?
- 15. How do you feel about Elmira Bradley's murder?
- 16. What do you think of Genevieve's reactions to danger?
- 17. How do you feel about Daniel and Genevieve's "sham courtship" or as it is known today, "fake dating?"
- 18. Would you want to see the costume party in the book?
- 19. How do you feel about Daniel's past?
- 20. What do you think of Genevieve's apparent betrayal of Daniel?
- 21. Were you surprised at who Robin Hood was? Why or why not?
- 22. How do you feel about the murder mystery?
- 23. Did you like the book?
- 24. Do you want to read more in the series?