

## The Cruel Prince by Holly Black Book Club

1. What do you think of the 1<sup>st</sup> person narration?
2. How does the Prologue shape the story?
3. What do you think of the events of the Prologue?
4. Chapter One is "In Faire, there are no fish sticks, no ketchup, no television." What do you think of this opening?
5. How do you feel about the unfamiliar world of Faire that begins in Chapter Two?
6. Would you want to grow up in Faire? Why or why not?
7. What do you think of the rules of Court that Oriana repeats to Jude before they go?
8. Who is your favorite character and why?
9. Who is your least favorite character and why?
10. Does your view change over the course of the book and if so why?
11. What do you think of the world building in this book?
12. Does it seem like the High King Eldred has a lot of children? Why or why not?
13. Madoc tells Jude she's no killer at the beginning of the book. Why do you think he believes that?
14. At the beginning of the book, Jude and Taryn have different plans to cement their place in the land of the Folk? Which one seems better and why?
15. How do you feel about the bullying in the book?
16. What do you think about the scenes in our world?
17. Why do you think Taryn and Jude don't move back to our world?
18. What do you think of Jude becoming Dain's spy?
19. How do you feel about Jude's relationship with Locke?
20. What do you think of the theme of betrayal in the book?
21. How do you feel about Jude saving Sophie?
22. What do you think of Oak's secret?
23. What do you think of the massacre at the coronation ceremony?
24. Why do you think Jude spirits Cardan away?
25. Would you train yourself to be immune to poisons by ingesting them in small amounts? Why or why not?
26. What does Madoc's plan for Oak say about him?
27. How do you feel about Jude's changing relationship with Cardan?
28. What do you think of Jude's actual plan?
29. Did you like the book?
30. Do you want to read more in the series?