## The Other Side of Dark by Sarah Smith Book Club

- 1. What do you think of the first person narration from both Katie and Law?
- 2. Do you think Katie really sees ghosts or are they hallucinations?
- 3. Do you like Katie
- 4. What do you think of George?
- 5. Does the switch to Law feel abrupt?
- 6. How are Law's issues different from Katie's?
- 7. Does Pinebank sound interesting?
- 8. What do you think of Shar and Darryl?
- 9. Does Katie's ability to draw the past seem interesting?
- 10. Would you want to be able to draw the past?
- 11. What do you think of Katie's life with her stepdad who wasn't her stepdad very long before her mom died?
- 12. Do you think it is odd that Katie talks to her dead father?
- 13. Law says, "Houses are stories." Do you agree?
- 14. What do you think of reparations?
- 15. Why do you think Katie cries when Law figures out her secret?
- 16. Does death seem to surround Katie?
- 17. What do you think of Lucy Rosen?
- 18. Would you climb into Pinebank if you were Katie?
- 19. Is it neat the Katie can see the house like it was for George when they touch?
- 20. Are you curious about the Perkins bequest?
- 21. What do you think of Mrs. Perkins?
- 22. Were you surprised the Mrs. Perkins sent people to get the chest out of Pinebank?
- 23. Can you understand why Law's mother does not want him to see Katie?
- 24. Is an obsession with slavery morbid?
- 25. Were you surprised by the story of the Katey disaster?
- 26. Do you believe that Katie died in Pinebank?
- 27. Would it be comforting to have George with you as you are trapped in the secret room where he died?
- 28. What do you think of the scene where Katie says the names of the dead?
- 29. Does a station on the Underground Railroad make sense as penance?
- 30. Should Law have disqualified himself for the Walker Prize?
- 31. Was his presentation thought provoking?
- 32. Did you like the book?