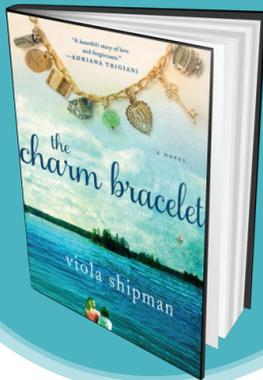


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THE CHARM BRACELET | BY WADE ROUSE

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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER WHILE READING

The Charm Bracelet was written as a tribute to the author's grandmothers—whose charm bracelets and lessons inspired the novel—as well as to all of our elders. Do you think we respect our elders—their lives, stories, and sacrifices—as much as we used to in the past? Why or why not? Talk about specific instances in the book where Lauren and Arden honored Lolly. Consider what elders may be able to do today to engage more with younger generations.

The Charm Bracelet focuses on the lives and relationships of three generations of women in one family. Do you see parallels between Lolly, Arden, and Lauren and your own family? What is it that connected them? Or separated them?

What does a collection provide for the one collecting the items?
And for the ones receiving them? Do you have any collections?
How do they speak for you and what do they say?

If there was one story or lesson from your life that you could share with a younger family member—a child, a grandchild, a niece or nephew, or a cousin—what would it be? What story or stories do you want to be sure to share and pass along in your life? And with whom?

If you had a chance to ask a grandparent or elder something about his or her life, what would it be?

Arden desires to be a writer, while Lauren wants to be a painter. Neither are easy, stable career paths. Have you ever given up pursuing a passion because “life” got in the way or because it didn't seem logical? How did that impact you, and does it still? How do these choices affect the characters' lives?

Lolly, Arden, and Lauren are all strong, independent women and characters. Think about how these traits impacted the relationships they have with each other and what could have been different for them?

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