

Finding Imogene
Book Club Guidance
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Non-spoiler questions:

Is a dandelion a weed or a flower?

What was your childhood nickname, if you had one? And how did it reflect your personality vs. your full name. Which do you prefer to go by now?

Who was your best or most impactful friend as a child? Who is it today?

Is there an event from your childhood that you perceive differently now as an adult than you did then? What was it? How old were you then?

Young Frannie idolized comedian and show host Carol Burnett. As an adult, Frances looked to Martha Stewart for social cues. Who have you admired or tried to emulate over the years?

Rodney Schultz frequently mentions he made the right choice at the time based on the resources available in 1979. Technology has advanced significantly since the seventies. How do you think the access to and availability of online resources have improved or interfered with parenting tips, mental wellness, and more?

Imagine yourself in the seventies and put yourself in George and Sally Jerome's shoes, respectively. What would you have done if you were George? What would you have done if you were Sally?

How/when did you learn about 'stranger danger' when you were a child, if you did? Should it be addressed now with children? If so, by whom and how?

What do you hope people will remember most about you when your time comes? What legacy do you hope to impart?

If you could pick one word that you hope people would use to describe you if asked today, what would it be?

What is your strongest memory about your parents? Or your strongest impression of them?

Did your mother or father drill any idea, inspiration, or fear into your head?

If you had to choose one word to describe your mother, what would it be? If for your dad, what would it be?

What do you think is the most significant advancement in parenting since you were a child?

If you are a parent or guiding figure, how has parenthood changed your perspective about your parents?

How are/were you a different parent from your parents? Or if you are an aunt or uncle, how are you different as a guiding figure than your parents?

If you are/were a parent or guiding figure in a child's life, which decision are you most proud of? Or is there something you would have done differently in the past if you had the same resources available today?

If you are a grandparent, how has grandparenting changed your perspective as a parent? What is your role and responsibility to your grandchild(ren), and how does it differ from parenting?

Spoilers from this point on:

Did you have an imaginary friend? Tell us about him/her/it. Why do you think you had an imaginary friend? How did your family and friends handle it if they knew?

After 1977, was Imogene imaginary, a ghost/spirit, or an angel?

What do you think should happen to George?



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