



A Very Bavarian Christmas

BOOK CLUB QUESTIONS: Chapters 1-5

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CHAPTER 1: *Ice Breaker: What is your favorite Christmas song?*

1. Like Holly Noel, is there a story that goes along with your first and/or middle name?
2. Have you ever worked at a job you didn't like? Was there a silver lining in working there?
3. Are you a fan of Christmas or is it a hard season for you?

CHAPTER 2: *Ice Breaker: What would your ideal birthday dessert be?*

1. What season is your birthday in? What do you love about that season?
2. As a kid, Holly painted on the weekends. How do you like to spend your Saturdays?
3. Holly lives on Kühn's Way. Kühn means "bold" or "brave" in German. Tell about a time you were brave recently.

CHAPTER 3: *Ice Breaker: What is one of your go-to songs for karaoke?*

1. What is one of your favorite things about your hometown?
2. What do you like to do with family or friends during the holiday season?
3. When you are around someone like Lena, how do you avoid falling into the comparison trap?

CHAPTER 4: *Ice Breaker: What is the paint color in your living room?*

1. Like Holly's first encounter with Nik, tell about an embarrassing moment you've had.
2. Did you grow up going to church? If so, tell about something you remember from that church.
3. Have you or a loved one experienced a health crisis or disability? How has that impacted you?

CHAPTER 5: *Ice Breaker: Do you gift wrap presents or put them in a bag?*

1. Have you ever surprised someone with a thoughtful gift? If so, what was the gift?
2. Holly assumed she knew who Mrs. Rasmussen's darlings were but she was wrong. Have you ever found yourself in a situation where you made assumptions but later found out you were mistaken?
3. Frank asks Holly on a date but she's not sure she'll go. Is there something you feel indecisive about in your life, right now?

Activity Ideas:

- Pop-up karaoke with Christmas songs and carols
- Watch a fun Christmas rom com movie together
- Gift wrap presents while you chat about the book