



BOOK TALK CARDS



THEMES:

- Humourous stories • Families
- Death/bereavement • Friendship

The Girl Who Couldn't Lie

by Radhika Sanghani

Priya Shah lies. A lot. She pretends everything in her life is perfect, so she doesn't disappoint anyone. But when she puts on a bangle left to her by her Ba - the one person she was always honest with - she finds herself unable to tell a lie.



OUR THOUGHTS

"A poignant story filled with tween angst and a little magic. The messages about friendship and telling the truth to be free, will be enjoyed by readers, who will recognise themselves and their friends in many of the situations."

TIME TO TALK

- Before reading the book: Is honesty always the best policy? Give reasons for your answer
- Priya lies a lot - She pretends everything in her life is perfect, so she doesn't upset or disappoint anyone. Is she right or wrong to do this? Why?
- Priya's parents had a golden rule "Don't air your dirty laundry in public!" What do you think that means?
- Katie was bullying Priya by making her do her homework - How would you deal with a situation like this?
- Priya's friends took advantage of the truth curse by asking her embarrassing questions she would have to answer.
- Do you think this was fair? Explain your answer.
- Priya's grandmother says, "Loneliness comes when we can't be honest with people" Discuss.
- Did this book remind you of anything you have experienced in real life? What was it?
- Which part of the book stands out most to you? Why?
- If someone asked you what this book was about, what would you tell them?
- After reading the book : Is honesty always the best policy? Have you changed your mind about this? Explain.



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