

## General Discussion Questions on Family Tension

### **How does family tension drive the plot of the story?**

Can you identify a specific moment where conflict within the family changes the direction of the narrative?

### **What are the root causes of the family tension in the story?**

Are they emotional, generational, cultural, economic, or moral?

### **How do different family members respond to the tension?**

Are there characters who try to mediate, escape, or escalate the conflict?

### **Does the author portray family tension as destructive, transformative, or both?**

Give examples from the text that support your interpretation.

### **How does the setting or time period influence the family dynamics and conflicts?**

Would the tension have been different in a different cultural or historical context?

### **Are there secrets, lies, or betrayals that contribute to the family tension?**

How do these hidden elements shape the relationships?

### **What role do power and control play in the family's relationships?**

How are authority and obedience depicted between parents and children, or siblings?

### **Do any characters grow or change as a result of the family conflict?**

Who, and how?

### **Is resolution or reconciliation possible in the story? Why or why not?**

What does the ending suggest about the future of the family?

### **How does the author use literary devices (symbolism, irony, dialogue) to portray family tension?**