

## General Discussion Questions on Coming-of-Age

**What defines a "coming-of-age" story?**

How do we recognize when a character has grown or matured?

**How does the protagonist's environment influence their growth?**

What role do family, culture, or community play?

**What important event marks the transition from childhood to adulthood for the protagonist?**

**How is the loss of innocence portrayed in the story?**

What does the character gain or lose through this process?

**Do all characters in coming-of-age stories mature in the same way?**

Why or why not?