Discussion Guide Seven Days by Eve Ainsworth

About Seven Days

Told from the point of view of the bullied and the bully, Eve Ainsworth's debut novel is a taut, powerful portrait of two girls locked in battle with each other and themselves, spiralling towards a shocking conclusion.

School should be a safe place for Jess but at the moment it's everything she dreads. Her life is difficult enough without Kez picking on her. Kez's life isn't any easier. She has plenty of problems too but she finds comfort in knowing she is better off than Jess - or so she thinks. . .

Discussion Questions for Seven Days

- Did you like the way Eve Ainsworth told the story from the point of view of two characters? Why or why not?
- Can you think of any books that are written in a similar way to Seven Days?
- What parts of the story did you think were particularly realistic?
- How many victims are there in the story and what makes them victims?
- Jess changes quite a lot over the course of the book. What do you think makes her change?
- How do Jess's and Kez's home lives differ to one another and how are they similar? Why is that important?
- What did you think of the ending?
- Did *Seven Days* make you think differently about the types of bullying that exist in the world?
- Did you empathise with either of the main characters and did this change throughout the book?
 If so, who, how and why?
- Do you like the cover and do you think it represents the story well?

