**Discussion Questions, Prompts, and Ideas**

These questions and prompts are meant to start a meaningful and in-depth discussion around the novel *Seedfolks*. Use these as a starting point or make up your own! There is no right or wrong way to do this, and it’s meant to be a fun way to come together and celebrate the idea of community.

Some questions to get you started:

* Which character stood out to you and why?
* Is this novel realistic, idealistic, or both? Discuss why.
* What would you like to grow in a community garden and/or do you garden?

Some discussion prompts:

* Each chapter is told from the perspective of a different member of the community. How do you think this makes the narrative more impactful?
* Discuss each character, their unique perspective and differences from one another. Do you relate to any one character’s particular experience or point of view?
* Have everyone in the group take turns discussing what they see as the major themes in the book. Does everyone agree? Is there one theme that stands out?
* Can we consider the garden itself to be a character in the book? Discuss the changes and evolution of the garden and how that is important to the overall telling of the novel.
* In what ways does our community resemble the one in the novel?
* Have you had any experience working with people you didn’t know from your community?
* Discuss the various communities you belong to and how they’ve shaped you.
* If *Seedfolks* were being written today, what do you think that would look like?

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Above all, have fun and enjoy the journey!