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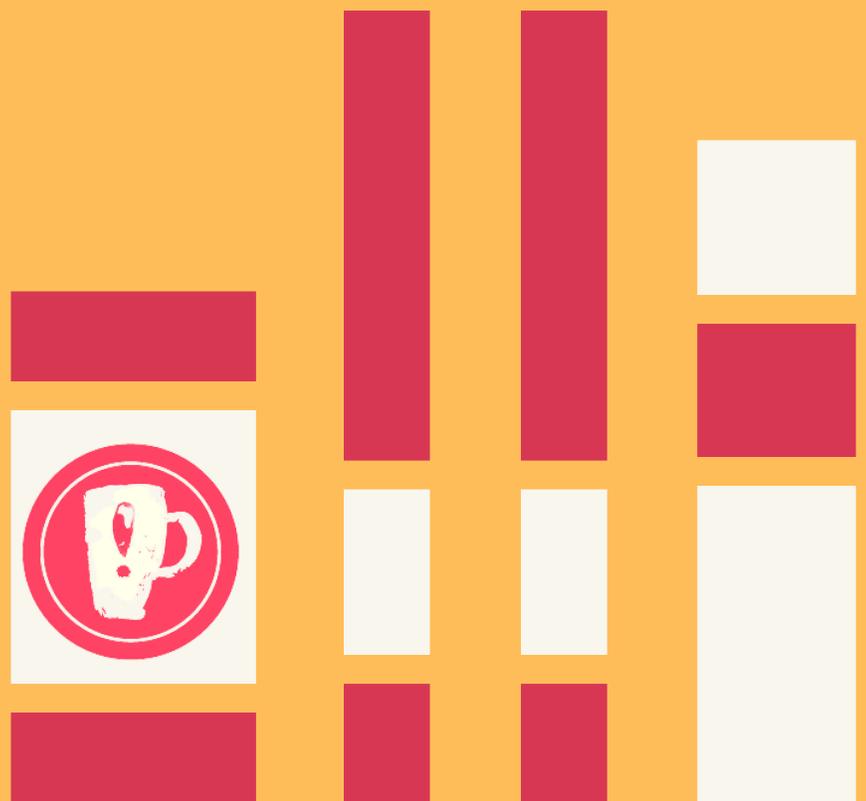
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR *GET A LIFE, CHLOE BROWN* BY TALIA HIBBERT

Talk about Chloe's life before she had her near death experience. Then consider her list: what do you think of it? Why does she make it? Why do you think she chose the items she chose?

Have you ever had a list similar to Chloe's, if not so concrete as hers, then at least some vaguely unformed ideas of what your life could be... but isn't? We also call the lists "bucket lists," which many of us have. What's on yours?

What keeps Chloe and Red apart at first; then, when they finally meet face-to-face while rescuing a cat, what draws them together? How do their opinions of one another change once they get to know one another and spend more time together?

How is Red's relationship with Chloe not only healthier than his previous relationship, but a safe space for him to heal and grow?



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How has Chloe's fibromyalgia affected her life? Do you know anyone, or perhaps yourself, who has fibromyalgia? What challenges does the disease impose on those inflicted with it? Consider, especially the lack of knowledge, and sometimes the complete dismissal, on the part of medical professionals.

What do you think of all the friends and lovers (e.g., Henry) who deserted Chloe? Given the lack of a specific diagnosis, and the diseases, had you been her friend, would you have stuck by her or might you have considered her a tiresome hypochondriac or attention seeker?

There are sequel books featuring Chloe's sisters, Dani and Eve. Do you plan to read those books? Do you have any predictions about them?

If you were going to cast a movie or TV adaptation of "Get A Life, Chloe Brown," who would you cast in the lead roles?



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"The Kiss Quotient" by *Helen Hoang* - If you liked Chloe's journey to finding love while living with fibromyalgia and other conditions, you might enjoy this steamy story of a woman with Asperger's who falls in love with an escort she hires to teach her about sex.

"A Distant Heart" by *Sonali Dev* - A heroine with chronic illness also features in this dramatic book about a privileged Indian woman and her relationship with a window washer-turned-police officer.

"How To Fail at Flirting" by *Denise Williams* - If you enjoyed seeing Chloe tackle her list of items to help her "get a life," you may enjoy this book about a woman who tackles a to-do list that involves leaving an abusive ex and pursuing a career-risking fling with a charming stranger.

"The Roommate" by *Rosie Danan* - If you're looking for more books that feature a romance blossoming because of close proximity between the main characters, you might enjoy this story about a woman who ends up sharing a lease with a charming stranger.

NEXT MONTH ...

We will meet on Tuesday, September 7, at 6 p.m. to discuss "A Star Is Bored" by Byron Lane