

Heaven to Betsy (Emily 1, WDKY 5) by Pamela Fagan Hutchins
Discussion Questions (SPOILER ALERT)

1. In the first third of the book, how did Emily's decisions and behavior make you feel? Did you understand her decision to move back to Amarillo and live with her mother? To work with Jack?
2. Emily seems to make friends easily. What do her relationships with Wallace, Katie, and Nadine tell you about her? What kind of friend is she? She also seems to hold a powerful grudge. Did you find her relationship with Melinda believable? Rich?
3. What impact did Emily's father have on her life, positive and negative? Rodeo? Her mother? Religion?
4. What are your thoughts on spirits, like the Apache Mountain Spirits, and the dancers Emily saw?
5. Why do you think Emily cared so much about Sofia and then Valentina?
6. How did you feel about the re-entrance of Collin into Emily's life and the role he played?
7. Did the author's treatment of the issue of immigration ring true in this book for you?
8. What one word would you use to describe Emily? Why?
9. Jack: what does he see in Emily? Are you team Jack? Do you think his secrets will be a problem for Emily?
10. Did you find the mystery and ending believable? Satisfying? Discuss.