"Maybury" Place



Book Club Discussion Questions

- 1. Which character did you identify with the most and why?
- 2. Which character do you believe most influenced the story as it develops?
- 3. How do you think your own neighbors impact your life either positively or negatively?
- 4. Each character in the story has their own agenda and then, collectively, the original neighbors have the shared aim of getting rid of the new residents. Which goal to you see as being the most important in the story? How has the pursuit of a goal dominated your own life?
- 5. The basis of conflict within the story lies in some fundamental assumptions and presumptions. Have there been times in the past where you have discovered things are not as they seem?
- 6. What do you see as being the major theme of Maybury Place?
- 7. Over the course of the story, which character do you think changes or develops the most? Why?
- 8. Of all Keitha Smith's novels, **Maybury Place** has the most open ending. Choose one of the following and discuss what you think might have happened next:
 - Geoff's explanation to Karen as to why he kept his ownership of Number 7 a secret
 - Whether Lisa will see Joan again
 - What might become of Maureen