



A Daughter's Legacy

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Questions for Discussion

1. Jason tells Kelli that animals have a kind of sixth sense to tell when someone doesn't like them, and they tend to avoid those people. Have you found that to be true?
2. Why does Kelli feel like she broadcasts signals that she's unlovable? What caused these feelings in her?
3. How did Jason's past mistake affect his relationships with others in his life?
4. Why has Jason chosen not to be an active part of Tiffany's life? Was he right in his choice?
5. Are the restrictions imposed by AZA on animal breeding in zoos beneficial? Why, or why not?
6. How did the traumatic experience Kelli suffered as a child affect her ability to form romantic relationships?
7. What were Lillian's reasons for the conditions of her Trust? Was it cruel to force Kelli into a situation she had no desire to be in?
8. Jason and Kelli have vastly different opinions of Lillian. Which of them was correct?
9. Jason fears Kelli will become bitter if she doesn't forgive her mother. Is that true? How does Kelli finally find the ability to forgive?
10. When Kelli finds out about Tiffany, why is she so furious with Jason? Is her anger justified?
11. What part did Leo the cat play in helping Kelli overcome her fears?
12. Did you learn anything about zoo animals as you read *A Daughter's Legacy*?
13. Which was your favorite animal in this book?