

the GLOSS

THE MESSY LIVES OF BOOK PEOPLE & THE BOOK SHARE

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1. Did you enjoy the book? Rate it from 1 - 5.
2. Live Green and Essie Starling live two very different lives. Liv is a busy cleaner, wife and mum, struggling to make ends meet. Essie lives a quiet, solitary life of luxury. Which woman did you relate to most? Which woman's life would you prefer to lead and why?
3. Essie leaves Liv a very unusual request and unexpected inheritance. Have you ever been left anything unexpected in a will?
4. Hannah and the Platinum office staff don't always treat Liv with respect. Should Liv take some responsibility for this? Have you ever found yourself in a smilier position at work, and did you stand up for yourself?
5. We learn of Essie's Death early in the book. How is her spirit kept alive on the page? What did you learn about her life and how did it change your opinion of her?
6. Liv steps into Essie's world and is seduced by her lifestyle. If you could step into someone else's shoes for six months, who would it be and why?
7. Liv has wanted to be a writer since childhood but was too embarrassed to share her dream with others. Did you have a childhood dream, and did you follow it? Did you tell others about it or keep it to yourself?
8. Georgia Rory is an important character in Essie's fiction. How did Georgia influence and inspire change in Liv?
9. What do you think Liv will do next? What might her life look like in two years' time and beyond?