- 1. **Killing and resurrection** The first chapter has the line, "Trinidad had been killed, and now it was to be resurrected." What does this mean?
- 2. **Elements** Water and fire both play a number of key roles in this novel. In what scenes are they most significant? Are there instances where these two converge?
- 3. **Masculinity** Consider how Hans's and Krishna's relationship changes as the novel progresses, especially through the lens of their familial roles and masculinity.
- 4. **Pronouns** Who calls the dogs 'it'? Who calls the dogs 'he' and 'she'?
- 5. **Metamorphosis** Why does Hans let himself fall against Marlee's dresses in her closet?
- 6. **Ship of Theseus** Was Marlee a person or a performance? Was Hans a person or a performance?
- 7. **Scenes in a clinic** Why didn't Hans take Shweta to a doctor for her foot wound?
- 8. **Not so minor?** There are a few minor unnamed characters and interactions that may be forgotten but are worth revisiting and discussing.
- The store clerk in suspenders (Chapter 3)
- The little girl beside the dead woman at the clinic (Chapter 7)
- The desk officer at the police station (Chapter 9)
- Shweta's brother (Chapter 13)
- The undertaker at the wake (Chapter 31)
- 9. **Silence** Could there be a reason Rudra prefers not to speak?
- 10. **The ending** Who shot Krishna? What is the significance of the mention of Shravan Kumar in the first chapter?

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