

THE MARRIAGE CLOCK

Discussion Questions

- 1) Leila's friend Annie says about the search for love, "The longer you hold onto these notions of perfection, the more disappointed you're going to feel when you never find it." In what ways do you think Annie might be wrong? Are there ways in which she might be right?
- 2) Leila's parents clearly just want her to be happy. Are there ways that their hopes for their daughter's happiness are reasonable? Are there times when they cross the line, and do they even realize it when they do?
- 3) When Leila agreed to the 'three month' deadline, did you believe her parents would really hold her to it? Why or why not?
- 4) Would you ever try speed dating? If you have tried speed dating, what was your experience like?
- 5) Were you surprised that Meena agreed to get married after knowing her fiancé for such a short amount of time?
- 6) Leila's parents are undeniably happy together. Are there times that 'love after marriage' might actually work? How do you think they made it work out?
- 7) Leila says "Hero or no hero, I was still the heroine of my story, and truth be told, my story was just beginning." In what ways did you think Leila would get to this point? Did you ever think that she was waiting until she was engaged to start her own life? In what ways did she seem more independent than that?
- 8) Describe the most embarrassing date you have ever been on.

