

# BLAZE YOUR OWN TRAIL

## Book Discussion Guide

1. Did you feel like you were able to put yourself in the main character's shoes? What made it easier or harder for you to put yourself in her shoes?

2. Did you feel like the choices you made in the book were influenced by personal experiences you have had?

3. How did the data that was woven into the plot impact your thinking about the experiences explored in the book? Did you feel more solidarity around the events knowing how many women experience the same things? Did any of the data surprise you?

4. Did you find yourself judging any of the decisions or paths in the book? If so, did that reveal to you any biases that you might hold?

5. What aspects of experiencing life as a woman do you think are near universal?

6. Why do you think all of the endings were “happily ever after?” Did any of the endings feel particularly happy or not-so-happy for you?

7. In the initial path you took through the book, did you find yourself making decisions that you felt were riskier or more conservative? How did this compare to the way you tend to make decisions in life?

8. Do you think all of the decisions the main character made reflected feminist ideals? If not, is she still a feminist?

9. Were there topics that you wish had been covered in the book? What might be some unexpected outcomes that could have stemmed from one of these additional topics?

10. What was your experience with the interactive format of the book? Did it expose you to questions and considerations you had not thought about before? What things are you now aware of that you had not thought about for your own future?

