

I'm including lots of questions so you can pick and choose what works best for your group. I've tried not to reveal any big plot spoilers, so feel free to look through this page before, during, or after reading *Espionage*. Thank you for including *Espionage* in your book club!

1. What might have been different about WWII and its aftermath if D-day had failed?
2. Did you learn anything new about history from *Espionage*?
3. What hardships did French civilians endure while occupied during WWII? How do you think you would have handled these challenges?
4. There are several instances in the book where characters have to weight the risk to themselves and their families against a desire to help fight the Nazis. What factors do Jacques and Louis LeBras face when it comes to sabotage or helping shot-down airmen? Do you agree with the choices they make?
5. In *Espionage*, Colonel McDougall with SOE and Captain Knight with OSS are eager to do all they can to trick the Nazis and help win the war. How do you feel about their ideas? Are the sacrifices they seem willing to make reasonable?
6. What characteristics motivate Peter to accept his dangerous assignments?
7. Have you ever done something that disappointed your parents? How do you think Peter could have better handled the discussion with his father when he enlisted in the army?
8. Pick one or more of the suspected agents Peter and Jacques investigate: Charles Toussaint, Marie Murat, and Jean-Philippe Laurier. What motivations do each of them have for helping the Allies? What motivations do each of them have for working with the Gestapo? Do you feel sympathy for these characters? What inner conflict do these characters have in *Espionage*?
9. Discuss the relationship between Jacques and Genevieve.
  - How does Genevieve feel about the changes in her brother since the war began? Do you have family members who are making choices you disapprove of? Do you think Genevieve does a good job of balancing love and disapproval, or are there ways she could have done better?
  - How does Jacques try to protect his sister? Do you feel his efforts were helpful, or do you think they backfired?
10. Have there been times in your life when a hymn or other music has helped you endure trials or helped you improve your attitude?
11. Discuss one or more of the following lessons touched on in *Espionage*:
  - You should always wear your seat belt.
  - If you want to impress a woman, you should assist her with her housework.
  - It is never too late to repent and change.
  - If you look closely, you can see the Lord's hand in your life, even when you are going through difficult trials.
12. Toward the end of the book, Jacques says: "We all make mistakes, Peter. You can't change the past. But you can shape the future." How do you feel about this statement? Do you think Jacques is accurate?
13. Discuss the changes in Jacques from the beginning of the war, through his wife's death, and through his mission with Peter. What factors influenced those changes?
14. Throughout the book, Peter faces physical, emotional, and spiritual challenges. Compare how he deals with his trials early in the book to how he responds at the end of chapter twelve.
15. What moment in the book stuck with you the longest?