

# ***Educated***

*Author:* Tara Westover

*Genre:* Biography

***Average Rating: 4 / 5***

## ***Book Club Questions:***

1. Was everyone able to read this book? Were there parts that you skipped through or parts where you did not want to continue with this book?
2. If you had the chance to meet Westover, what question(s) would you ask her and why?
3. Why do you think it was so important for Westover to tell her story? It exposes specific family members, why would Westover risk cutting family ties?
4. What was the most shocking moment of this book for you?
5. Can you relate to Tara and being an underdog? What experiences have pushed you to take charge and educate yourself?
6. How did you feel about Tara's professors in comparison with her father?
7. Why do you think people choose certain ways of life (eg. survivalists)? In this particular memoir, why do you think members of the family stayed in their mindset and lifestyle rather than try to escape like Tara?
8. Discuss Tara's mother in detail. Why did she believe certain people and ideas but not others?
9. How do you feel about the culture shock Tara experienced when she started dating and when she first went to school to learn?
10. At what point did Tara realize that her background was problematic?