

## Discussion Questions – *Other Wise*, a novel by Mary Lou Bagley

Choose any or all of the following questions to facilitate reflection and discussion of the novel.

1. Were you easily drawn into the novel or did it take a while to engage your interest? How did the prologue effect your entry into the story, if at all? Discuss.
2. Did you find the characters believable? Relatable? Well-developed as complex human beings? Discuss.
3. Which characters did you find most interesting and why? If you could meet one of the characters, which would it be? What would you want to ask of or say to that character?
4. Did the principal characters grow or change from beginning to end of the book?
5. Are there any characters you'd like to know more about or see more strongly featured in a future book?
6. Discuss the author's writing style/use of language. Discuss her choice of the present tense to tell the story.
7. Was the dialogue realistic? Did you have a favorite quote(s) that resonated with you?
8. Was the setting important to the story? Did you feel a sense of place as you read it? Could it have been set elsewhere? Discuss.
9. Share aloud a passage you found particularly poignant, profound, or interesting?
10. Did you find the ending satisfying? Discuss.
11. Did your belief or disbelief in extrasensory perception – second sight – effect your experience of the story?
12. What was your lasting impression, if any, of the book?
13. If this were made into a movie, who would you cast? Which role would you like to play?
14. What would you ask the author if you could?
15. If asked to write a review as a tweet, what would you say about this book in 140 characters?