

Skokie Public Library's Book Discussion Guide

City of Light by Lauren Belfer

- Do you think that Mr. Rumsey's revelation to Louisa about President Cleveland and how she was set up really convincing? In other words would anyone really admit to such a plan?
- What do you think about Tom's decision to leave Buffalo for another job in Arizona?
- Do you think Grace's death was as inevitable as Louisa does?
- Describe the Sinclairs social standing in the community.
- How would you characterize the relationship between Tom and Louisa?
- Why do you think Louisa didn't support Mrs. Talbert at the exposition meeting? Would she really have had that much to lose?
- How does the author depict Mrs. Mckinley? How does she depict Cleveland's wife?
- Do you think that Louisa was naive in her assumption that no one else knew that she was Grace's mother?
- When Louisa visits Grover Cleveland she is not stopped by security but is able to go right up to his door. What is the significance of this scene?



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