



Discussion Guide

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New from the highly acclaimed author of *Dream On, Amber* and *Dara Palmer's Major Drama*—who knew one little lie could cause so much trouble?

Lexie and her cousin Eleni are super-mega-extra-seriously close. They're like twins who aren't actually twins, if that's possible. But when Lexie tells a terrible, jealous lie, her whole family is torn apart.

So it's up to Lexie to bring them all back together and fix her relationship with Eleni. After a few calamitous escapades, Lexie has discovered that there are all sorts of truths and all sorts of lies, too... But what Lexie must figure out is when is the truth more hurtful than a lie?

ABOUT THE AUTHOR



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1. Lexie's best friend is her cousin, Eleni. What do you think are the advantages and disadvantages of having a best friend who's a cousin?
2. One of the main themes in 'Lexie's Little Lie' is how complicated the truth can be. Do you think there are times when telling a lie is the right thing to do?
3. Lexie tells a lie in church and wonders whether this is worse than a lie told out of church. Do you think there are levels of lying? Which lies would go where on the lying scale?
4. Have you ever told a lie you've found difficult to get out of?
5. There's lots of Greek food mentioned in the book, including some of Lexie's family's favorite dishes. Does your family make any special dishes? What are your favorites and what do they taste like?
6. Lexie's family have lots of traditions, some of which she thinks are a bit crazy, and they also have an important heirloom that is passed from mother to daughter. Do you have any family traditions or heirlooms?
7. Anastasia comes to live in their neighborhood and Lexie feels put out. Have you ever moved to a new place? How did you feel? Have you ever felt like Lexie does about a someone taking your friend away?
8. How do you think Lexie should have handled the situation with Anastasia?
9. Lexie thinks nail varnishes should smell like their color: brown should smell like hot chocolate with marshmallows; red like strawberry jelly; black like bubonic plague and orange like mango ice cream. If you could choose the smells of different color nail varnishes, what would they be?
10. What did you learn about Greek families and traditions from the novel?