



Junior Book Club in a Bag

Discussion Questions

Elvis, Me, and the Lemonade Stand Summer by Leslie Gentile

1. What words of encouragement would you say to Truly?
2. Truly says Andy El is the “nicest kindest person I’ve ever met”. What characters in other books would you describe as someone like Andy El?
3. Why is it important to have someone in your life who ensures that you are well?
4. Elvis was known as someone who was larger than life. What does that mean?
5. How did you feel then people stopped giving Clarice sewing jobs on weekends since that is when she would drink alcohol?
6. What is a majorette troupe?
7. Truly spends her day at school feeling like an outsider. Why does she feel this way?
8. Some shops in Newman’s Bay did not let Indigenous people in. Why did this happen? What would you do to prevent his from happening?
9. If you were Truly, would you think that Aaron really was Elvis?
10. Andy El teaches Truly that wasting resources is not good. Why is this important? How can your generation endure that people do not waste materials?
11. What was your reaction when Truly told Natalie and Penny exactly what she thought of them?

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<https://www.kawarthalakeslibrary.ca/en/kids/resources/Silver-Birch-3.pdf>
to enhance your discussion of the book.

Author Biography

Leslie Gentile is a singer/songwriter of Northern Salish, Tuscarora, and Scottish heritage. She performs with her children in The Leslie Gentile Band, and with one of her sisters in The Half White Band. She currently lives on Vancouver Island with her husband. *Elvis, Me, and the Lemonade Stand Summer* is her first novel.

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