## ATPE BOOK of the CLUB

## The Stolen One by Suzanne Crowley

- 1. How do you think hearing the words "no one wanted you" affects Kat's decisions throughout the story?
- 2. Why did Kat harbor so much resentment against Grace Bab after she died?
- 3. Describe the unique relationship that Kat and Emma share. Why does Kat insist that Emma be with her, even when she knows it isn't what Emma needs?
- 4. Kat is often described by others as "bold" in her actions. Do you agree?
- 5. Research the story of Queen Elizabeth. Does the author accurately portray the time period discussed?
- 6. Men are generalized as untrustworthy throughout the book. How do you feel about this portrayal?
- 7. Blanche says to Kat: "Can a queen be happy? Can a woman ever be happy? I think not. We just do what we must do to survive." How does this statement reflect the time period? How has the plight of women evolved since then?
- 8. Why does Kat feel such devotion toward the queen?
- 9. There are many superstitions discussed. How are they relevant to the story?
- 10. Describe Rafael's significance in the story.

