

Discussion Questions for  
Into the Tall, Tall Grass by Loriel Ryon

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1. How do the title and cover help you make predictions about the story?
  2. If you could have a magical trait what would it be and why? Would you keep it a secret or tell the world?
  3. In the beginning, Yolanda feels jealous and left out because she doesn't have the magical family trait. Have you ever felt like the odd one out with your family and friends? How did you cope?
  4. What makes the setting unique and important to this story? Could this story have taken place anywhere?
  5. How are Yolanda and her sister Sonja different? How are they similar?
  6. How did the characters change? Did your opinion of any of them change as the story progressed?
  7. How does Yolanda's relationship with her sister change throughout the story? How does she help with that change?
  8. What character did you relate to most in the story? Why?
  9. Did your perspective or opinion change about anything than before you read the story? If so, what?
  10. How does the structure (the alternating viewpoints between Yolanda and Wela) affect the story?
  11. What is the ultimate lesson or theme of the story?
  12. How did you feel about the ending?
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