



Book Club Questions



- Author Sherry Knowlton became a traveler because she loved to read as a child.
 - What inspires you to want to travel?
 - What holds you back from booking that vacation?
- Sherry talks about enjoying the journey while traveling.
 - What type of traveler are you? Do you need a detailed itinerary? Or can you just wander and see where the trip takes you?
 - Share one surprise that happened when you let yourself wander on a trip.
- The author loves wildlife.
 - From birds to giraffes to rhinoceroses to elephants, the author has seen a lot of wildlife on her adventures. What type of animals do you enjoy seeing when traveling? Share a wildlife story that was memorable to you.
 - Do you travel with any special apps that you can use to identify animals, bird calls, etc.?
- Share with the group one of your best travel adventure memories. What made it so special?
- Weather can play a critical role in whether a vacation is enjoyable or not. For instance, nobody truly enjoys a rainy beach vacation.
 - Did you ever have a vacation ruined by bad weather? Were there any silver lining moments? Like a double rainbow after the storm? How did you pass the time and embrace the elements?
 - Share a story where you had “perfect” weather on a vacation...what made it so perfect?
- In the chapter, “Travel Wonders”, what is one wonder that you’d like to experience as shared by the author?
 - Do you have a favorite place you’ve discovered?
 - Do you plan to go back soon?

- Politics and religion are generally two topics people say to avoid especially around the Thanksgiving dinner table. However, the author encourages travelers to discuss these topics and to keep an open mind when learning about different cultures.
 - What has been your experience when traveling to different countries?
 - Have you encountered people who like to discuss American politics?
 - What have you learned from other countries?
- Sherry talks about the cool Old West Cookout that her family did while in Yellowstone. It turned out to be quite fun, not only for her son but for the three adults as well. Name a “touristy” thing you did that was memorable and unexpected.
- Have you ever splurged for a room with a view? What was the best view you ever had?
- In the Health and Sickness chapter, Sherry talks about the array of illnesses one can get while traveling. Did you find any of her advice new and/or helpful to ward off illnesses?
 - Did you ever have a bout of illness while traveling? Share your story and the remedy.
 - Did you ever have to get vaccinations while traveling? Any advice for the group?
- Are you a souvenir fan? What do you typically buy to remember your trip? Did you ever get a permanent souvenir like Sherry did?
- Photography is a popular way of documenting your journey. Do you take photographs? What do you generally photograph? Your family, nature, buildings?
- The written word is a way to document a trip. Do you journal your experiences?
- Which travel lesson did you relate to the most?
- What was one or two stories that Sherry shared in the book that spoke to you? Inspired you?
- Name one way you have expanded your horizon during your travels.
- Have you read any of Sherry’s other books? If so, which one?