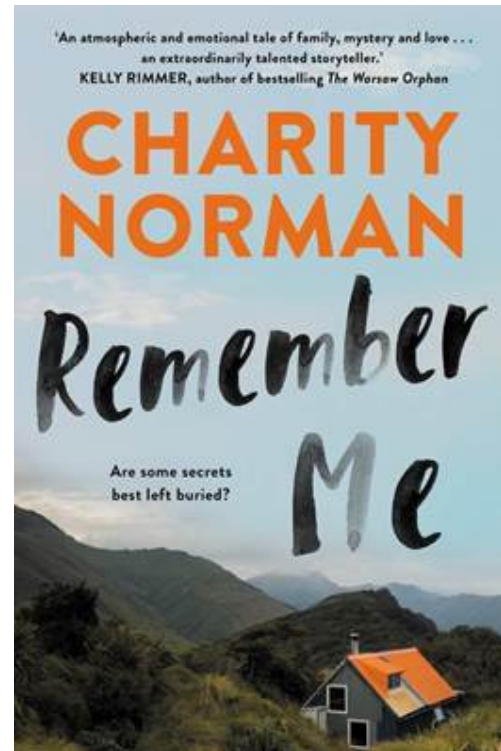


Reading Notes

Remember Me - Charity Norman

1. Emily calls her father 'a master of disguise' for his ability to hide his failing cognitive abilities. How does this theme of 'things are not always as they seem' apply to other events and characters in the book?
2. Why do you think there is an expectation from Raewyn that Emily should stay and care for her aging father rather than her siblings? Is this reasonable?
3. Although his memento box contained evidence that Felix loved and felt proud of his daughter, he had never shown Emily how he felt. Why? Does this make his love worth less?
4. When Felix gives Emily the envelope to open after his death, he knows he will ultimately forget what has happened due to his advancing Alzheimer's. Given Felix's condition, do you think Emily should have opened it sooner? Would you have been tempted to open the envelope?



5. *"It had nothing—nothing—to do with scoring the deciding goal in some invisible game against my siblings. Nothing."* (p. 107) - How do the different responses to their father's situation reflect the relationships between the adult Kirkland siblings?
6. Compare the different qualities of the Parata family and the Kirkland family. Which more closely reflects what family means to you?
7. *"Despite the strangeness and sadness of my father's disintegration, I felt as though something was mending inside me."* (p. 73) - Do you think Emily's understanding of her father and her feelings towards him change from the beginning of the story to the end? What are the key turning points in their relationship?
8. Ira is unsure whether he wants to be tested to see if he will inherit the hereditary Huntington's disease that killed his father, Manu. What would you do in his situation and why?
9. *"Please, please... let me have a good death if you can."* (p. 79) - What does Felix consider a good death? Were the circumstances of Manu's death or Leah's death harder for the Parata family to bear? If you were in the same circumstances, which would you choose?
10. *"Truth mattered to my father."* (p. 140) - Did truth matter to Felix? If a truth hurts, should it be kept secret?
11. Did Felix deserve to be placed on the pedestal the community had put him on? Do you think Felix betrayed the Parata family?

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