

Reader Questions for “Jeanne of Clairmonde”

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1. What do you think was the strongest motive Jeanne had for resenting the occupation of Clairmonde?
2. Do you think the nuns were as resentful as Jeanne, but better at hiding it? Why or why not?
3. Do you think Jeanne believed, when she left Clairmonde, that she would ever see her animals again? Why or why not?
4. Is Matthieu likeable? Did his loyalty outweigh his bad qualities? Did he redeem himself? How?
5. For what reasons do you think the English prince dressed as he did?
6. What redeeming qualities, if any, did the girl Aelis have? Do you think she secretly suspected anything when Jeanne offered to take her place? Why or why not?
7. What was Nicholas' attitude toward the men in his command? How do you think they felt about Jeanne?
8. Do you think Jeanne had any options with the queen, or could she have told the truth of why she was there? What might have happened if she had done so?
9. What drove Giles to offer Raoul money to kill Nicholas; love for the king, or jealousy of Nicholas, or both?
10. What event in Nicholas' past made him determined not to marry? Would the characters in this event be people you would like to have known more about?
11. Who was your favorite character? Why or why not?
12. Who was your least favorite character? Why or why not?

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