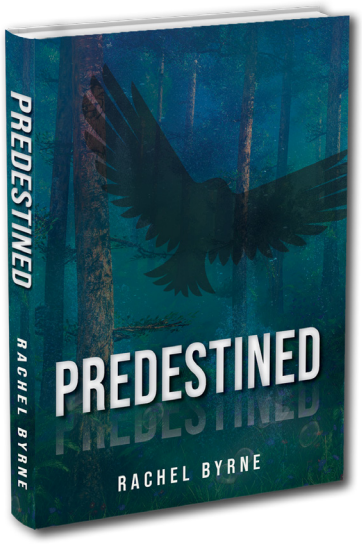

BOOK CLUB & CLASSROOM QUESTIONS

(spoiler alert that some questions give away key plot points)

CHARACTER-BASED

- Lina is someone who breaks rules—but is she justified when she does? When do you think her choices are justified? When aren't they?
- What is Lina's biggest flaw?
- At Haverford Pines Lina meets a variety of people and becomes friends with people quite different from her. What about their circumstances let such disparate people connect?
- Lina finds support in her stuffed dog, Cairo, and in the idea of the Ranger. What do these choices tell us about her? Do you have similar concepts in your life?
- How will Lina's relationship with her family change once she returns home?
- Who helps Lina grow the most over the course of the book?
- Which character did you most identify with?
- Which character did you dislike the most and why?
- If you could read this book from another character's perspective, who would you pick and why?

CRAFT/AUTHOR-BASED

- How does the setting of HP support the world-building Byrne has done?
- How does Byrne's use of foreshadowing and suspense impact you as a reader?
- In ***PREDESTINED***, Lina and others escape the subliminal messaging in different ways. What message might Byrne be sending through this?
- If you could ask the author one question, what would it be?
- Byrne includes historical events and people in this book. Why do you think she did? Were her choices effective?
- What do you think motivated Byrne to write this book?

STORY-BASED/GENERAL

- ***PREDESTINED*** has many twists. Did you anticipate any? Did any take you by surprise?
- Overall, do you think Haverford Pines has improved or diminished the world?
- What do you think will happen next in this world?
- How does the title ***PREDESTINED*** relate to the book? How does the tension between biology and free will show up in the story?
- What other books/stories does this book remind you of?
- If you were making this into a movie, who would you cast as each character?
- How are the themes in ***PREDESTINED*** relatable to your world today?