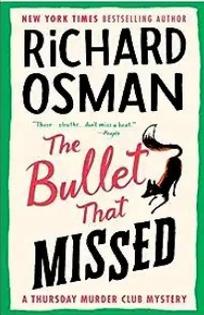




Discussion Guide

About the Book



The Bullet that Missed

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Questions for Discussion

1. What were your general impressions of this book?
2. Did you read the first two books in this series? If so, did this book pick up where the other left off? Were they similar, different? Comment.
3. How does this book compare to other mysteries you read?
4. Which characters did you enjoy and/or related to in this book?
5. Viktor, the KGB agent, and Viking, the money launderer, are not your typical bad guys. What twists in their characters does Osman create and what did you think of them?
6. Richard Osman likes to ask which character would you most like to be stuck in a lift/elevator with? Which would you least like to be stuck with?
7. One strategy in writing is to create reversals and the unexpected. What were ways that Osman utilized this technique in his writing?
8. Did you figure this mystery out before the end? Why or why not?
9. What was the significance of the bullet that missed?
10. Read over the MAMs comments on this book. With whom do you agree/disagree and why?
11. Will this book change your life or perspective in any way? Explain.

The Author on YouTube

“Richard Osman reveals the real life setting for his "Thursday Murder Club" books , BBC News 28.09.22” 2:41

“Author Richard Osman introduces The Bullet That Missed” 2:44



NANCY: Richard Osman does it again with quirky characters, ace seniors and a convoluted plot that keeps you guessing until the end. I laughed out loud and I want to move into the retirement community with the Thursday Murder Club.



ABIGAIL: Since I've been in love with an Irishman, I appreciate the British Isles folks more. It's fun reading a book with their take on the world. And I love how these old folks are finding romance and adventure in their retirement life, just like me!



SALLIE: I agree with Nancy, a very funny book. Even though I'm a pacifist, it seems the murder part of the book is understated. I think I'd like to join this Thursday Murder Club. Or maybe the MAMs could start their own... The Magnificent Ace Murder Club?31



PRISCILLA: Maybe we should take a trip to London ladies and check out the place in this book. You know he based it on the retirement community where his mum live. Maybe that's a good idea, Sallie. I'd like to solve a murder myself and put the bad guy in jail.



MOLLY: In the last two books, the Thursday Murder Club was always outfoxing the real detective, but in this one there's a little twist here with a bogus police officer. Perhaps they have that problem over there, too. Although I doubt they're killing the Black people the way they are here in the USA.



JANE: That Connie lady is one tough cookie. I can't quite figure her out. She intrigues me because she's such an entrepreneur and quite the operative, even now in prison. Is she a psychopath? Osman knows how to keep us guessing, for sure.



KATHARINE: Well, this is funny, but after you've read a few of these books they seem to be more of the same. I'm ready to move on to a new author now, ladies, and perhaps a new genre, too. Would you ever consider going back to romance? A good romance soothes my soul in these difficult times.