The Secret Practice: Eighteen Years on the Dark Side of Yoga

Book Club Questions

- 1. Why do you think Joelle was so susceptible to Arun's mental and emotional control?
- 2. How do you think Joelle's family and upbringing played into in the story?
- 3. What did you think of the other characters in the yoga world, Angela and Gabriel? What role do you think they played in the story?
- 4. What do you think were the factors that led Joelle to regain control of her life?
- 5. Did you find the story believable? If not, why not?
- 6. What surprised you the most about *The Secret Practice*?
- 7. How did you find the narrator's voice?
- 8. What did you think of the writing style and book structure?
- 9. How did you feel when you finished reading?
- 10. What were your views of brainwashing or mind control before reading this book, and what are your views now?
- 11. What, if anything, did you want to know more about when you finished the book?
- 12. What did you learn from reading this book? What were your takeaways?
- 13. What other books have you read that remind you of this one or that have parallels with it?
- 14. Why do you think the author wanted to write his memoir? Would you ever consider writing one? If not, why not?