

## General Discussion Questions on To Be Human

### **What does it mean to be human?**

How do different literary characters embody or challenge traditional ideas of humanity?

### **How is empathy portrayed in literature?**

Can a character's ability (or inability) to empathize define their humanity?

### **How do suffering and vulnerability relate to being human?**

Explore how characters' pain and resilience contribute to their humanity.

### **Does having emotions make us human?**

How do different authors present emotions like love, guilt, and fear as essential to being human?

### **In what ways do characters struggle with their identity and what it means to be human?**

### **How do characters grow or change in their understanding of what it means to be human?**

Choose a character whose arc shows development in self-awareness or compassion.