



## MOST LIKELY BY SARAH WATSON

### DISCUSSION GUIDE & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

Four best friends, facing their biggest fears about growing up and growing apart. One is destined to become the first female president of the United States... but who will it be?

Is it **Ava**, the picture-perfect artist who's secretly struggling to figure out where she belongs? Or could it be **CJ**, who seems to be winning at life but is actually failing her exams?

Maybe **Jordan**, the wannabe journalist who is planning a future in the fast lane. And lastly, there's **Martha**, who has many obstacles standing in the way of success.

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

These questions can be used even if you have not finished reading the book. We hope they inspire meaningful conversations.

1. 'A romantic and heartfelt look at how friendships define us and save us' (Lauren Graham on *Most Likely*) Consider this review. Do you think friendships define us? Discuss how your friendships contribute to your life and 'save' you.
2. *Most Likely* is about four best friends growing up and facing their fears during their final year of high school. One of the main characters is destined to become the first female president of the United States. Consider your group of friends and discuss how each friend would make a great political leader.
3. If you were a political leader, what three laws would you introduce?
4. There are strong themes of feminism and empowerment in *Most Likely*. Discuss a female leader you particularly admire and why.
5. Finally, if you have all finished reading the book, did you correctly guess which main character would become President of the United States? Were you surprised?

#### RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. Eleanor Roosevelt is referenced throughout *Most Likely*. Research her biography and consider why she resonates with the characters of the book.
2. Research a current female political leader and create a factsheet about their life.

#### CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

1. The prologue of *Most Likely* is set in 2049. Imagine what your life will be like in that year and write a letter to your future self.
2. It's time to design your own presidential campaign. Design a campaign poster – don't forget a catchy slogan! (During the 2008 presidential election, Barack Obama used 'Yes We Can!')
3. 'Time to add our names to history' Using this line from *Most Likely*, write a one page story.