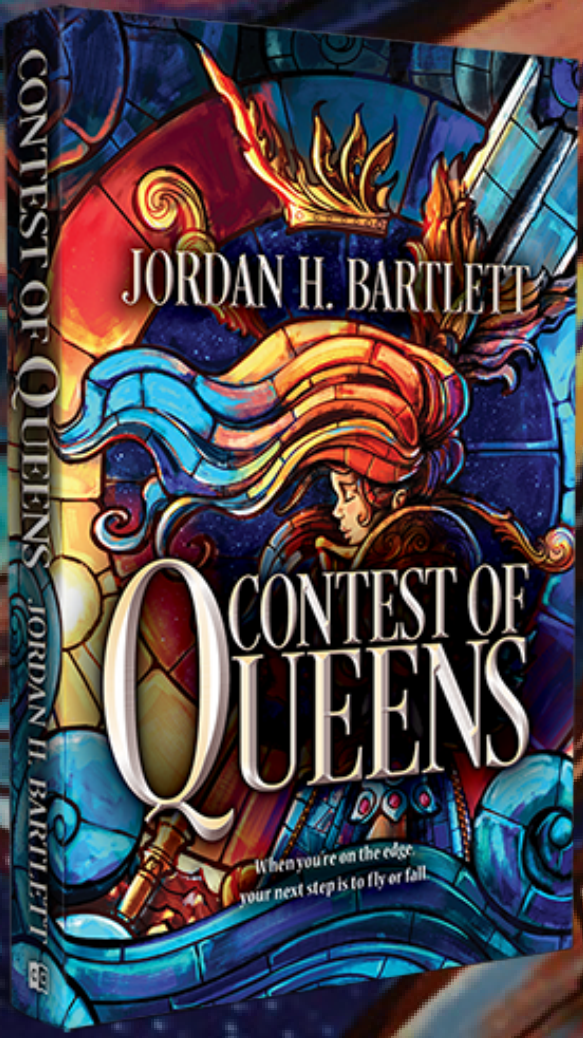
BOOK CLUB KIT



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. The contest is designed to find the right queen for the Queendom. Do you think it is a fair contest? Do you think there are biased aspects?

2. The citizens are led to believe the contest is infallible. Is ignorance truly bliss? Discuss.

3. What does the novel say about prejudice?

4. What is a central theme of this novel? Discuss.

5. Share a favorite quote of the book. What was it about this quote that made it memorable?

6. What is the significance of both Jacs and Connor having two names? How does this affect the plot? How does this tie into the novel's theme of identity?

7. How do the characters address gender roles? What are some beliefs held about women in this world? What are some beliefs held about men in this world? How are these beliefs true/false? How do these beliefs affect different characters?

8. Who do you think is/are the villain(s) of the story?

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Jordan H. Bartlett is a New Zealand-born Canadian with a love for children's literature and female empowerment. She grew up reading books about boys for boys and found it hard to find a strong female heroine she could relate to. Bartlett wrote *Contest of Queens* to give young readers that character she so longed for in a world where gender norms are reversed. Bartlett currently resides in Banff, Alberta where she works as a Speech Language Pathologist and is a certified yoga instructor.

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