

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to analyze and discuss the book "If He Had Been With Me" by Laura Nowlin through engaging book review questions.

Materials and Prep

- Copy of the book "If He Had Been With Me" by Laura Nowlin
- Pen and paper
- Quiet study space

No prior knowledge is required, just an open mind and willingness to explore the book.

Activities

- **Character Analysis:** Choose a character from the book and write a detailed description of their personality traits, motivations, and actions.
- **Plot Summary:** Summarize the main events of the book in a creative way, such as through a comic strip or a short story.
- **Discussion Questions:** Create a list of thought-provoking questions about the book that you can discuss with a friend or family member.

Talking Points

- **Introduction to the Book:** "Let's start by talking about the author, Laura Nowlin, and the genre of the book. What do you think the title 'If He Had Been With Me' suggests?"
- **Main Characters:** "Who are the main characters in the book, and how would you describe their relationship? Can you relate to any of them?"
- **Themes and Messages:** "What themes or messages do you think the author is trying to convey through the story? How do these themes resonate with you?"
- **Emotional Impact:** "Did any particular scene or character in the book evoke strong emotions in you? Why do you think that is?"
- **Recommendation:** "Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not? What aspects of the book did you enjoy the most?"