

The Body Business – Discussion Questions

Feel free to use these questions regarding *The Body Business* as discussion points for your reading group.

1. In *The Body Business*, what does Samantha's situation say about being a solitary working woman in today's world?
2. Many people have had at least one job where, no matter how hard they tried, they were thwarted in their efforts to succeed. Can you relate to that experience?
3. Gertie's baked goodies and chicken soup, Dottie's country cooking (including fresh pecan and apple pies), or Carter's special steak recipe. Did any of these made you want to taste them, too?
4. What does Serenity Ranch mean to Carter Chapman? Does it mean something different to Samantha?
5. One reviewer called E.B. Odom "the kind of villain you love to hate." Why do you think fictional villains entertain us?
6. Which character surprised you the most, and why?
7. Gertie and Samantha enjoy a close intergenerational relationship. How would you characterize it? Why does it work for them?
8. When Samantha finally gets a peek behind the door to Carter's inner sanctum, what do you think she sees?
9. Though the bond between Samantha and Carter seems strong, do you think they will continue to be a couple?
10. Where do you think Carter Chapman went?

