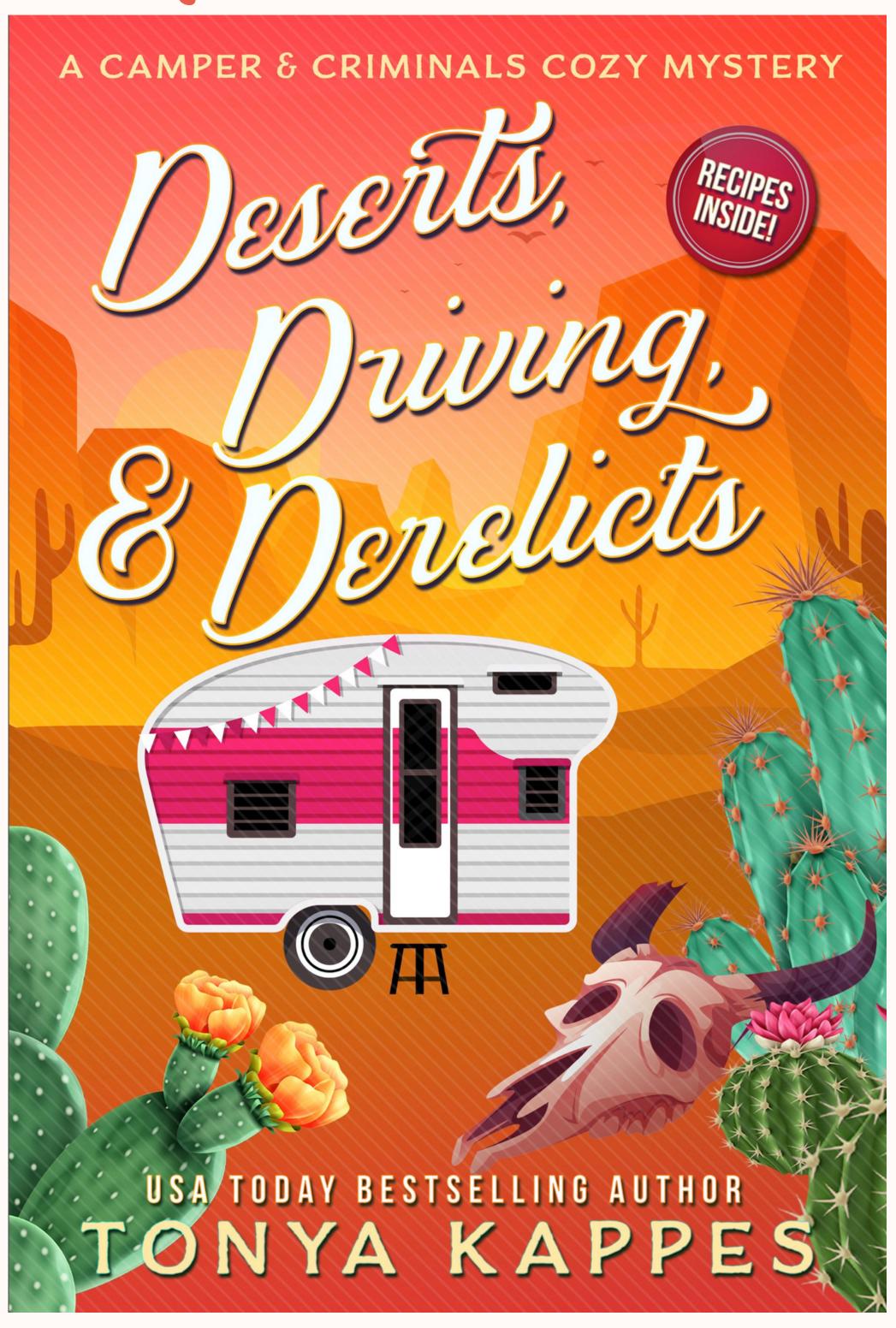


BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



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- Deserts, Driving, & Derelicts Book Club Discussion Questions:
- 1: How does the author set the tone for the mystery in the opening chapter? What are your initial impressions of Mae West and the setting of Normal, Kentucky?
- 2: Discuss the significance of Mae's interactions with the local community. How do these interactions help in developing her character?
- 3: The introduction of Fifi adds a unique element to the story. How does Fifi's character contribute to the plot and humor of the novel?
- 4: Examine the dynamics between Mae and Detective Hank Sharp. What do these interactions reveal about Mae's personality and her approach to solving mysteries?
- 5: The book club meeting at the Laundry Club is a key scene. How does this setting serve as a backdrop for character development and plot advancement?
- 6: Discuss the importance of Mae's past and how it influences her actions and decisions in the present.
- 7: How does the author use humor to balance the tension and mystery elements in the story?
- 8: The interactions between Mae and Tammy Jo offer insights into their characters. Discuss your thoughts on their relationship and its impact on the plot.
- 9: Analyze the role of the campground in the story. How does it add to the cozy mystery atmosphere?
- 10: Discuss the plot twist involving the watch. Were you surprised? How does this twist enhance the mystery?
- 11: Examine the character development of secondary characters like Dottie and Abby. How do they contribute to the story's progression?
- 12: The theme of community is strong in the novel. Discuss how the author portrays this theme through various characters and events.
- 13: How does the author keep the mystery engaging and unpredictable throughout the book?
- 14: Discuss the climax of the story. Did it meet your expectations? Were there any loose ends that you felt needed more resolution?
- 15: Reflect on the resolution of the mystery. How does the ending set the stage for future books in the series? What are your predictions for Mae West's next adventure?

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