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SCENE OF THE GRIND

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Recipes Included!

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What initial impressions do you have of Roxanne Bloom, the protagonist of "Scene of the Grind"?
2. How does Tonya Kappes use the setting of Honey Springs to enhance the story?
3. Discuss the significance of The Bean Hive coffee shop in the narrative. How does it serve as more than just a business?
4. What are your thoughts on the book's opening scene at Crooked Cat bookstore? How does it set the tone for the mystery?
5. Explore the theme of small-town life in the novel. How does it contribute to the cozy mystery genre?
6. How does the author weave humor into the storyline? Can you share a few examples?
7. Discuss the relationship between Roxanne and her Aunt Maxi. How does this relationship drive the story?
8. What role does the community of Honey Springs play in the novel?
9. How does Tonya Kappes use descriptive language to create a vivid picture of the settings and characters?
10. Discuss the importance of the Honey Festival and its impact on the plot. How do the recipes included in the book enhance the reading experience?
11. Explore the character development of Roxanne throughout the story. How does she evolve?
12. Discuss the role of friendship and community support depicted in the novel.
13. How does the author build suspense and keep you engaged in the mystery?
14. What are your thoughts on the book's portrayal of small-business challenges?
15. Discuss the role of pets and animals in the story. How do they add to the cozy feel of the book?
16. How does Tonya Kappes use red herrings and plot twists to keep the mystery intriguing?
17. Discuss the balance between the murder mystery plot and the everyday life events in the story.
18. What are your thoughts on the resolution of the mystery? Was it satisfying?
19. How does "Scene of the Grind" compare to other books in the cozy mystery genre you've read?

STUFFED PEPPER SOUP



Ingredients

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 2 quarts water
- 1 quart tomato juice
- 3 medium sweet red or green peppers – diced
- 1 ½ cups chili sauce (one bottle)
- 1 cup uncooked long grain rice
- 2 celery ribs – diced
- 1 lg. onion – diced
- 2 tsp. browning sauce (optional)
- 3 chicken bullion cubes
- 2 clove garlic – minced
- ½ tsp salt

Directions

In large kettle over medium heat, cook beef until no longer pink, drain. Add remaining ingredients and bring to a boil. Reduce heat, simmer uncovered for 1 hour or until rice is tender Yield 4 qts. (16 servings)

ABOUT TONYA KAPPES



AMAZON ALL STAR AUTHOR TONYA KAPPES HAS WRITTEN MORE THAN 175 SOUTHERN COZY MYSTERIES, ALL OF WHICH HAVE GRACED NUMEROUS BESTSELLER LISTS, INCLUDING USA TODAY AND WOMAN'S WORLD BOOK CLUB PICK TWICE .

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