Where the Blue Sky Begins Discussion Guide

1. What are some pros and cons of living in a small, rural town?

2. If you're from a small town: What misconceptions do you think other people have about small-town living? If you don't live in a small town: What aspects of small-town life depicted in *Where the Blue Sky Begins* did you find appealing or surprising?

3. Who was your favorite character in *Where the Blue Sky Begins* and why?



4. Which character's experience or personality do you identify with most, Eric or Eunice? Why?

5. In the story, Eunice collects bowling balls for decoration. What distinctive items have you collected?

6. Discuss Eric's relationship with his father. How do you think their difficult relationship impacted Eric's choices?

7. What are some examples from the end of the book that show how Eric changed during the story?



8. Eunice and Eric are an unlikely pair, but their friendship is transformative. How has having just one good friend changed your life?

9. What would you do if you found out you have only six months left to live?

10. The story's ending leaves open several possibilities. What do you think happens next?

