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The Night In Question

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In short

An uplifting literary murder-mystery with a uniquely loveable protagonist.

Synopsis

Florence Butterfield has lived an extraordinary life full of travel, passion and adventure. But, at 87, she suspects there are no more surprises to come her way. Then, one midsummer's night, something terrible happens - so strange and unexpected that Florrie is suspicious.

Was this really an accident, or is she living alongside a would-be murderer? The only clue is a magenta envelope, discarded earlier that day. And Florrie - cheerfully independent but often overlooked - is the only person determined to uncover the truth. As she does, Florrie finds herself looking back on her own life . . . and a long-buried secret, traced in faded scars across her knuckles, becomes ever harder to ignore.

Discussion points

1. How does Florrie Butterfield's character reflect resilience and independence despite her age and circumstances? What aspects of her personality do you find most compelling?
2. How do Florrie's memories shape her present actions and decisions?
3. How does the novel portray the complexities of aging?
4. Did you enjoy the ending?

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