



**Is This a Book for
*Saint Rose Reads?***

Guiding Principles

- “Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.”
Phil. 4:8
- “Do not conform yourself to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.”
Rom. 12:2

Questions to Consider

- 1.** How does this book present the true dignity of the human person? Is it ennobling of or demeaning to the human person? If it is ennobling, how so?
 - a.** Are the characters presented as ignoble or base in any way? How so?
 - b.** Is the book ennobling or demeaning of persons in authority?

2. What in this book is worthy of praise?

a. Why is it worthy of praise?

3. What in this book is beautiful?

4. Are the protagonists in the book truly honorable and virtuous or are they merely “nice”? Or are they vicious?

5. Do the characters who choose to do evil in the book get their due justice? Or do they get away with their sins?

a. Do they repent?

- 6.** Does the book glorify goodness or evil?
Which is shown in a more favorable light?

- 7.** Are good and evil portrayed as clearly distinct or are they confused?

- 8.** Does the book present as true anything that is actually false?

- 9.** Is there anything presented as a good in the book that is contrary to Church teaching?

10. Is the philosophy/worldview behind the book in accord with reality? Or is it materialistic, relativistic, or nihilistic?

11. Is the book well written? Excellently written?

12. If the book mentions God or the Church, does it do so according to the truth of God and of His Church?

13. If the book mentions anything about human sexuality, does it do so in a noble and pure way?

14. If the book is non-fiction, is it true and accurate?

15. What in this book is excellent?