**Different**

**Discussion Questions**

1. Have you ever started fresh at a new school or in a new city? How did you feel?
2. What do you think is the scariest part of being the new person? How do you approach making new friends?
3. Gina went along with some things that made her uncomfortable because she was afraid to be honest and speak up. Have you ever succumbed to peer pressure? How do you tell someone you aren’t comfortable without being offensive?
4. Tell us about a time when you felt “different,” out of place. Are you more likely to try to fit in, or would you rather be “the loner?”
5. Read Psalm 139:13-16. What does it mean to you to know that God planned out every part of who you are?
6. What’s one thing you wish was different or better about yourself? Can you change it? If not, how can you accept that thing and use it to become a better person?
7. Gina spent most of the story terrified about what people would think if they knew about her birth mother. But what happened when she finally opened up to her friends?
8. Eve and Gina had an unlikely friendship, because they both came from very different backgrounds. Why do you think it worked?
9. It took Gina a long time to realize that you can still help and support a friend through something you haven’t been through before. Do you know someone near you who’s suffering by themselves? What can you do to show that you care, even if you’ve never been in their situation?
10. Who was your favorite character in the book? What did you like about them, in particular to the theme of friendship?