

## Discussion Questions



## Hotel Flamingo By Alex Milway

Have you ever stayed in a hotel? If so, how was it like Hotel Flamingo? How was it different? What did you like the best? The least?

If you were going to stay in a hotel, what amenities (features and services) would you want them to offer?

When Anna arrives, she's surprised and disappointed to find Hotel Flamingo dilapidated and run-down. What happened to the hotel?

At the end of the first chapter (Page 9), Anna says, "And if we all work hard and work together, who knows what we might achieve." This could be said to be the "theme" of the book. Do you agree? Do you think the author succeeded in conveying this to the reader?

Anna reflects that, "The key to good management ... was to give people space to do their job." (Page 48) What do you think this means?

On page 88, Anna begins to wonder if she made the right decision in hiring Madame Le Pig. What do you think and why?

Ms. Fragranti tells Anna, "Look after your friends, darling, and your friends will look after you." (Page 129) Do you agree?

The characters in Hotel Flamingo, except for Anna, are all animals... but they behave like humans. This is called "anthropomorphism." Why do you think author Alex Milway chose to write the book using this technique? Why do you think he made Anna a real person instead of an animal?

Lots of children's books have anthropomorphic animal characters. What are a few of your favorite books like this?



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Besides T. Bear and Lemmy, there are eleven other animal characters in *Hotel Flamingo*. Can you list them all?

Which words below can be used to describe Anna and the rest of the characters? Some words might describe more than one.

Helpful	Cooperative	Stately	Handy
Confident	Capable	Lively	Easygoing
Grumpy	Reserved	Impatient	Generous
Hot-Tempered	Quiet	Determined	Envious
Flamboyant	Famous	Levelheaded	Hardworking
Mean	Stealthy	Showy	

Can you think of any other descriptive words you could use?

Which character in the book is your favorite? Why?

Would you want to visit Hotel Flamingo? Why or why not?

If you enjoyed *Hotel Flamingo*, you might also like these books.

Axel and Beast series
Fizz series
The Mysterious World of Cosentino
Pet Vet

