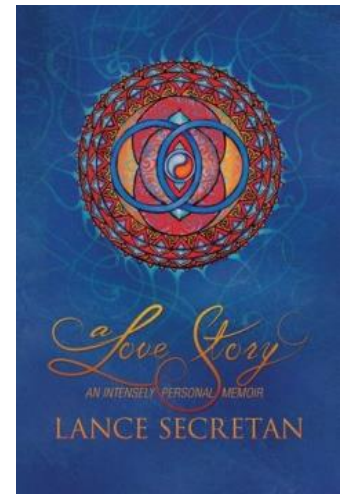


A Love Story: An Intensely Personal Memoir



The Following Questions Can Be Useful When Setting up a Book Discussion Group:

- This is a book about an intense, deep, lifelong relationship. How does this change your view about relationships?
- Does the description of relationships (especially the chapter titled “On Building a Deep, Abiding Relationship”) apply to other aspects of life, such as friends, work colleagues, family, the environment, countries, and those who hold values or beliefs that differ from our own?
- In the poem “Ode to Belles Lettres,” what is the author saying about the relationship between literature and readers?
- What is the message in the poem “The Kiss”?
- Describe the imagery in the poem “Burlesque in the Woods”?
- Can we learn something from this love story about how companies can build a love story with their customers and employees?
- How do you interpret the poem “Zen River”?
- What insights did you gain from this book, and how would you apply them to deepening the relationship that you have with your spouse, or partner?
- What insights did you gain from “Spirit the Wonder Dog”, and how would you apply them to your life?
- What role does nature play in this love story? How would this love story have played out without a deep relationship to nature?
- The Chapter “Rituals” describes some of the little loving routines that inspired this love story—what are your inspiring routines?
- In the poem “For Whom Is It Your Weeping,” how do we balance joy and grief when a loved one departs?
- What did you learn all about being with someone in the last moments of their life?

We would love to hear the feedback from your group’s meeting. If you wish to share parts of your discussion, please send it to info@secretan.com

