



Summary

In a small pocket of London, between the houses of No.77 and No.79 Eastbourne Road, lies a neglected community garden. It was a beautiful thing once, a little oasis in a bustling city for neighbors by day and the local foxes at twilight. Now it's overgrown and neglected, an empty patch of greenery lost to time.

Once a sanctuary, the garden's gate is now firmly closed. And that's exactly how Winston at No.79 likes it – anything to avoid Bernice, who has moved in next door with her young son. Their houses may share the garden, but they're not exactly *neighborly*.

But then a mysterious parcel drops on Winston's doormat. It contains no note, only a bundle of photographs of the garden in bloom many years ago—vibrant with flowers, filled with people from every corner of the community. Is someone trying to tell them something? The seed of an idea is planted...

Somewhere out there, a secret gardener made a decades-old promise to keep the community's spirit alive. Now it's time for *The Twilight Garden* to come out of hibernation.



About the Author

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Discussion Questions

- What inspires Winston to begin working on the garden?
- What is Bernice's initial reaction to Winston's activity in the garden? What changes?
- The story is written in two different timelines - from the 70's - 90's and then 2018. What is the connection binding the two storylines together? Did you connect with one more than the other?
- How does the neglected garden become a place for escape and healing for the community?
- Who sent the letters, and what was their purpose?
- Did you have any favorite scenes in the book? Why did they stand out to you?
- What were the main themes or messages of the book and how did they relate to the story?
- How relevant or relatable are the themes or messages of the book to your own life, or to society today?
- Which character did you find the most complex or intriguing and why?
- What was the most satisfying or disappointing part of the story and why?
- Did you find the author's writing style easy to read or hard to read? How long did it take you to get into the book?
- How did the main character(s) change or grow throughout the story?
- How did you feel about the ending? Was it satisfying or did you want more?
- Would you recommend this book to someone? Why or why not (or with what caveats)?