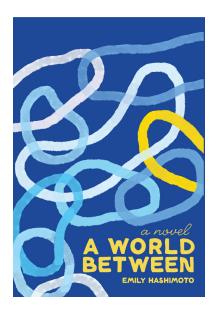
## **READING GROUP GUIDE**

## A WORLD BETWEEN by Emily Hashimoto

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- 1. A World Between alternates between the two central characters' points of view: what do you think of this stylistic choice? What are the possibilities and limitations of the alternating perspectives?
- 2. How do Leena's and Eleanor's mix of identities affect how they move about the world, and how they navigate each other?
- 3. What are Leena's and Eleanor's different understandings of family, biological and chosen?
- 4. Leena and Eleanor both feel beholden to family and society, although in different ways. How do they each understand responsibility and duty? How do their actions differ as a result?
- 5. Does *A World Between* adhere or subvert the tradition of romantic comedy storylines? Why or why not?
- 6. Were you surprised by the book's ending? If so, what else did you expect?
- 7. There are moments of narrative ambiguity throughout the book, where the reader is not privy to a character's motivations or to a narrative outcome. How does ambiguity relate to these specific characters, or to queer storytelling more generally?

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