

Readers Corner

Discussion questions for December 15, 2026

The Snow Child **by Eowyn Ivey**

- **When Mabel first arrives in Alaska, it seems a bleak and lonely place to her. Does her sense of the land change over time? If so, how?**
- **Why are Jack and Mabel emotionally estranged from each other in the beginning of the novel, and how are they able to overcome that?**
- **How do Esther Benson and Mabel differ in temperament, and how does their friendship change Mabel?**
- **What do you think the fox represented?**
- **In what ways does Faina represent the Alaska wilderness?**
- **What do you believe happened to Faina in the end? Who was she?**

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