

Readers Corner

Discussion questions for April 28, 2026

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce

- **When we first meet Harold and Maureen, while they share breakfast, they seem to be in different worlds. To what extent did you see Maureen as the cause of Harold's departure?**
- **Rachel Joyce writes beautifully about the English countryside –but how crucial to the telling of her story is the actual landscape she describes? How would the novel change if it took place in another country?**
- **Regret is an emotion that plays a key part in the novel. Do you think the author sees it as a positive or negative force?**
- **Has the book inspired you to do something out of the ordinary – take a journey? Renew contact with someone? Look at strangers with a new perspective?**

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