Society of the Sentinelia by Micki Bare Book Club Questions

Let's get the conversation started! Here are 10 book club questions for parents, teachers, librarians, book club leaders, and others to use to get tweens talking about *Society of the Sentinelia*. Choose from these or come up with your own!

- 1. The story is told from Zahra's point of view. How might the story be different if it was told from Danni's point of view?
- 2. In the beginning of the story, Zahra and her family lost their home—a tree. What other animals or creatures may have also lost their home that day?
- 3. In chapter 7, Zahra wonders why Danni's classmates make fun of her for being different and for being a good student. Why do you think the classmates make fun of Danni? Does this happen in your school? How does it make you feel?
- 4. The Society of the Sentinelia is a group of people who keep watch over scraebins. Can you think of other groups that keep watch over people, animals, or things? How are they alike or different from the Society of the Sentinelia group?
- 5. In chapter 18, Danni talks about living with foster families until she was adopted by her parents. How did her story make you feel? How did it make Zahra feel?
- 6. In chapter 24, when Danni tells her mother she's talking to, "no one," it makes the tiny hairs on the back of Zahra's neck stand up. Why do you think Zahra reacted that way? How would you feel in the same situation?
- 7. In chapter 25, the deputies mention the "buddy system." Do you think Danni used the buddy system or not? What else did they do to stay safe? What did they do that put them in danger?
- 8. In chapter 27, Miss Jellisia Levion says, "all fairies are scraebins, but not all scraebins are fairies." What did she mean and why is it important?
- 9. In chapter 37, Danni helps reveal that Zahra was telling the truth and Mrs. Mildred Erdos really did kidnap Zahra. Have you ever told the truth, but weren't believed? What did you do?
- 10. In chapter 40, Zahra tries to explain "consequences" to Danni. Can you describe an action that caused a consequence that only affected you? Can you describe an action that had consequences that affected others?