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**THE OVERNIGHT GUEST**

# EVERY ONE IS WATCHING

A NOVEL

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*"Big Brother meets Clue in this utterly original and incredibly tense locked-room mystery."*

—MAY COBB, author of *A Likeable Woman*



BOOK CLUB  
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# Discussion Guide

## READER QUESTIONS



1. The contestants will seemingly do just about anything for \$10,000,000. Which of the challenges would you be willing to try? Where would you draw the line?
2. Even when it's clear that *One Lucky Winner* is a dangerous, twisted game, the viewing audience can't get enough. Why are people so intrigued, even obsessed, with reality television?
3. Each of the characters in the book has done things that they aren't proud of. Do you think we are all defined by our past transgressions? Do we always carry our mistakes with us, or is it possible to move on from them?
4. How has *Everyone Is Watching* affected your understanding of what constitutes a villain and a hero? Who are the heroes and who are the villains in the novel? Are there any victims?
5. About the contestants, Cat says, "A few clicks and the world will know exactly the truly awful people that you are. Finally, you are all going to get what you deserve." Do you think each of the contestants got what they deserved? Why or why not.
6. Which contestant were you rooting for? And as you got to know each of the characters and learned more about their backstories, did your opinions of them change? Why?
7. Once the dust settles, do you think any of the surviving contestants will keep in touch? Why or why not?
8. Fern decides to pursue a second season of *One Lucky Winner*. After all that she experienced, why do you think she chose to do this?
9. The contestants in the novel are known by The Confidante, The Best Friend, The Executive, The Boyfriend and The Senator. Go around your book club and tell the group what your moniker would be and why.
10. Have you ever wanted to be on a reality show? Which one?

# Menu

## *One Lucky Winner* ITALIAN TAGLIERE (CHARCUTERIE BOARD)

Want to eat like the contestants on the reality show of the century, *One Lucky Winner*? Gather all the ingredients below and arrange them artfully on your charcuterie board. Serve with your favorite wine. Enjoy!

### **CAPRESE**

#### **Ingredients:**

Fresh sliced mozzarella  
Tomato  
Basil  
Balsamic glaze

### **OLIVES**

#### **Ingredients:**

Green olives  
Kalamata olives

### **MEATS**

#### **Ingredients:**

Black pepper salami  
Genoa salami  
Prosciutto

### **CHEESE**

#### **Ingredients:**

Pecorino Romano  
Gorgonzola  
Aged Gouda

### **FRUITS**

#### **Ingredients:**

Grapes (red and green)  
Fresh figs

### **NUTS AND CRACKERS**

#### **Ingredients:**

Almonds  
Crackers of your choice  
Crostini

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## ITALIAN LIMONCELLO BARS



*Fun Fact* — I've included the mention of lemon bars in each of my last seven novels. Invite me to your book club to find out why. Recipe from ItalyTranslated.com.

### Ingredients

#### ***For the crust:***

2 sticks of unsalted butter,  
room temperature (1/2 pound)  
2/3 cup granulated sugar  
2 cups flour  
1/4 teaspoon salt

#### ***For the filling:***

5 eggs at room temperature  
2 cups granulated sugar  
1 1/2 tablespoons grated lemon zest  
(3-4 lemons)  
3/4 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice  
1/4 cup limoncello  
3/4 cup flour  
1 tablespoon heavy whipping cream  
Confectioners' sugar for dusting

### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. For the crust, cream butter and sugar until smooth. Mix flour and salt in a separate bowl, and then add to butter mixture and mix until well combined.
3. Press dough into a 9x13-inch baking dish, fitting it into all corners and including up the sides of the pan.
4. Bake for 15-17 minutes.
5. While the crust is cooling, make the filling by whisking together the eggs, sugar, lemon zest, lemon juice, limoncello, flour and cream. Pour over cooled crust and bake for 30-35 minutes. Let cool to room temperature.
6. Cut into squares and dust with confectioners' sugar.



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## FUN & GAMES

Want to up your book club game?  
Add one or more of these ideas to your gathering.

### Pick a Team, Any Team

Have your guests choose (or assign them) a color palette to wear for the meeting based on the gear the contestants had to wear while competing in *One Lucky Winner*.

**The Best Friend - PINK**

**The Boyfriend - GREEN**

**The Senator - RED**

**The Confidante - YELLOW**

**The Executive - ORANGE**



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## *EVERYONE IS WATCHING* PLAYLIST

Add a little background music with an *Everyone Is Watching* vibe.  
Check out the playlist on Spotify:

[open.spotify.com/playlist/6AvZVsWuUGTPbGWMB6LTjL](https://open.spotify.com/playlist/6AvZVsWuUGTPbGWMB6LTjL)

1. “Price Tag” by Jessie J
2. “Red Red Wine” by UB40
3. “Somebody’s Watching Me” by Rockwell
4. “Mambo Italiano” by Dean Martin
5. “Squid Game (Let’s Play)” by Alok
6. “Every Breath You Take” by The Police
7. “Loser” by Beck
8. “That’s Amore” by Dean Martin
9. “Survivor” by Destiny’s Child
10. “The Winner Takes It All” by ABBA



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## WHAT WOULD YOU DO FOR \$10,000,000?

Ask your guests if they would complete these challenges for a chance at \$10,000,000.

1. Would you swim with sharks? (No cage.)
2. Would you bungee jump 853 feet from the Zhangjiajie Glass Bridge in China? (Look it up, it's terrifying!)
3. Would you run a marathon? (Right this minute.)
4. Would you rob a bank?
5. Would you get spicy with the person you detest most in the world?
6. Would you climb a mountain?
7. Would you eat the same thing every day for one year?
8. Would you give up your prized possession?
9. Would you be a gun for hire?
10. Would you promise to never, ever read a book again?
11. Add your own ideas!



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