

Dr James Barry – Reading Group Questions

- How did Margaret's early experiences with male relatives shape the course of her life?
- If Margaret was alive today, what would her gender identity be?
- Why did the young Dr Barry choose the army and a life abroad?
- What do Dr Barry's actions tell us about the differing social roles of men and women at the time?
- Are there any signs that Margaret continued to dwell on the child she had given up?
- Was it honourable to reveal, after Dr Barry's death, that he had been born a woman?



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