

Tin Man by Sarah Winman – Reading Group Questions

- After turning the final page, why do you think the novel is entitled Tin Man?
- ‘Men and boys should be capable of beautiful things. Never forget that.’ What does the novel have to say about gender, especially in relation to masculinity?
- The colour yellow is a repeating motif. Discuss its significance.
- Did you see a resemblance between Dora and Annie? What does this say about family in the novel?
- What does the book have to say about the distinction between friendship and romantic love?
- ‘I see our reflection in the restaurant window. We are a Still Life.’ Discuss the significance of art in *Tin Man*.
- Have you read Sarah’s previous work? If so, what about this book seemed familiar and what differed?
- *Tin Man* has been praised for its spare but beautiful use of prose. Are there any particular lines that stood out for you?
- What message does the novel send about grief and loss?
- What do you feel the future holds for Ellis?



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