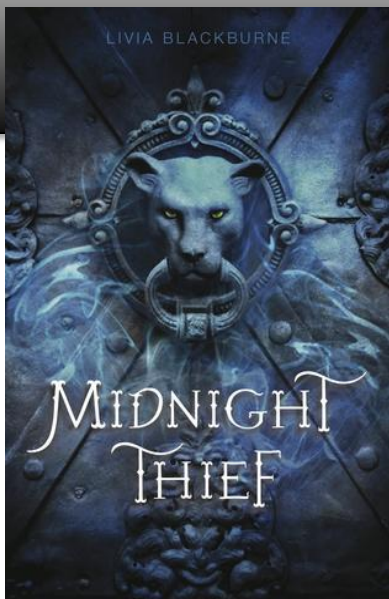


# Midnight Thief

by Livia Blackburne



## Pre-Reading Discussion Questions

1. This novel is about a thief whose income is provided by stealing from others. Do you think stealing is okay if it's necessary to feed your family? Why or why not?
2. The main character meets many new people that she has to decide whether or not to trust. How do you decide if a person is trustworthy? Have you ever made the mistake of trusting someone who was not trustworthy?

**SPOILER ALERT (Wait until you have read the book first).**

## Post-Reading Discussion Questions

1. When Tristam's friend Jack dies, another knight says that he acted foolishly. Do you agree with the knight or do you think that Jack acted bravely? Would you risk your life for a stranger?
2. Kyra's background living on the streets causes her to be resentful of the rich, which is why she steals from them. Is it ever okay to steal from the rich in order to give to someone less fortunate? Why or why not?
3. James threatens the lives of Kyra's friends if she doesn't kill Malikel. This puts her in a tight position because either way someone will die as a result of her actions. What would you have done in Kyra's situation?
4. Kyra justifies joining the Guild because the extra income allows her to take care of Idalee and her sister. Does this make it a good decision, or should she have made an honest living and let the girls live on the streets?
5. Kyra decides to go back with her friends instead of staying with the Makvani, who she is descended from. Was this the right decision? Why or why not?

## After Reading Activity

1. Towards the end of the novel, Kyra is given the choice to stay with the Makvani or to return to human life. Envision how the story would have been different if she had decided to stay with the demon cats.
2. Now that you have read the book, do you think the cover accurately hooks the author? Create your own redesigned version of the the cover of the book.

