**Daughter of the Burning City**

**By Amanda Foody**

**About the Book**

Sixteen-year-old Sorina has spent most of her life within the smoldering borders of the Gomorrah Festival. Yet even among the many unusual members of the traveling circus-city, Sorina stands apart as the only illusion-worker born in hundreds of years. This rare talent allows her to create illusions that others can see, feel and touch, with personalities all their own. Her creations are her family, and together they make up the cast of the Festival’s Freak Show.

But no matter how lifelike they may seem, her illusions are still just that—illusions, and not truly real. Or so she always believed…until one of them is murdered.

Desperate to protect her family, Sorina must track down the culprit and determine how they killed a person who doesn’t actually exist. Her search for answers leads her to the self-proclaimed gossip-worker Luca. Their investigation sends them through a haze of political turmoil and forbidden romance, and into the most sinister corners of the Festival. But as the killer continues murdering Sorina’s illusions one by one, she must unravel the horrifying truth before all her loved ones disappear.

**About the Author**

Amanda Foody has always considered imagination to be our best attempt at magic. After spending her childhood longing to attend Hogwarts, she now loves to write about immersive settings and characters grappling with insurmountable destinies. Currently, she works as a tax accountant in Philadelphia, PA, surrounded by her many siblings and many books.

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**Discussion Questions**

1. What did you like about the book? Dislike?
2. Did anything surprise you?
3. What did you think of the illustrated pages throughout the book? Did they give you a clue about the killer?
4. Talk about the setting. What did you like/dislike about it? Would you like to visit or live in the festival city?
5. Discuss the different types of characters in the book. Who was your favorite? Least favorite? Explain why.
6. In what way are Sorina’s illusions real? Just to her, or more than that?
7. Were you surprised about the identity of the killer, and their reasoning?
8. If you could ask the author anything, what would it be?