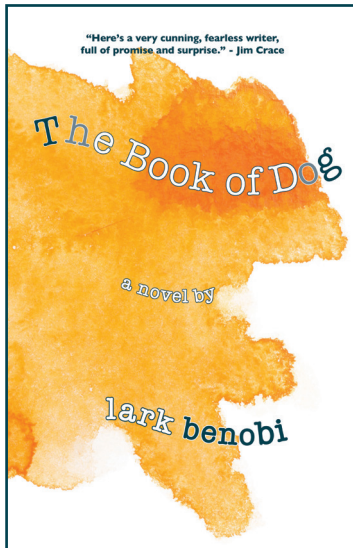


The Book of Dog

a novel by lark benobi

Suggested Author Interview Questions



1. What inspired you to write **The Book of Dog**?
2. What is your book about, in fifteen words or less?
3. You are also a freelance journalist and you've written political stories for magazines and newspapers. Why did you choose satire this time instead of nonfiction as a way to write about current events?
4. How did you come up with this wild plot?
5. There are a lot of references to religion in this book. How did your own religion influence what you wrote?
6. There are a lot of talking animals in **The Book of Dog**. If you were an animal, what animal would you be?
7. Why did you write the book from the viewpoint of six different women instead of one main protagonist?
8. In your acknowledgments you write that your book is mostly about motherhood. How so?
9. Do you ever ask yourself as you wrote if it's wrong for you to be writing a story featuring characters of color and characters from marginalized groups that you don't belong to?
10. The threat of chemical or nuclear attack, climate change, and fear of terrorism all weave through your story. Why did you draw on these themes?
11. Your last novel was published by FSG. Why did you go the indie route with **The Book of Dog**?
12. Have you ever illustrated a book before, and why did you decide to illustrate this one yourself?
13. Given events as they come to pass in **The Book of Dog**, I assume you're a Democrat; is that right?
14. You drew a picture of yourself at the end of the book, and you're reading *Candide* in the picture. Was Voltaire a source of inspiration for you?
15. Why did you use a pen name for this book?
16. What contemporary authors do you like to read, what's the best book you've read this year, what's the last book that made you laugh, and what's the last book that made you cry?
17. What do you do in your free time?

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