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Everything you need to host an engaging book club for *Summer Fruit*

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# Themed Book Club Meeting Ideas for *Summer Fruit*

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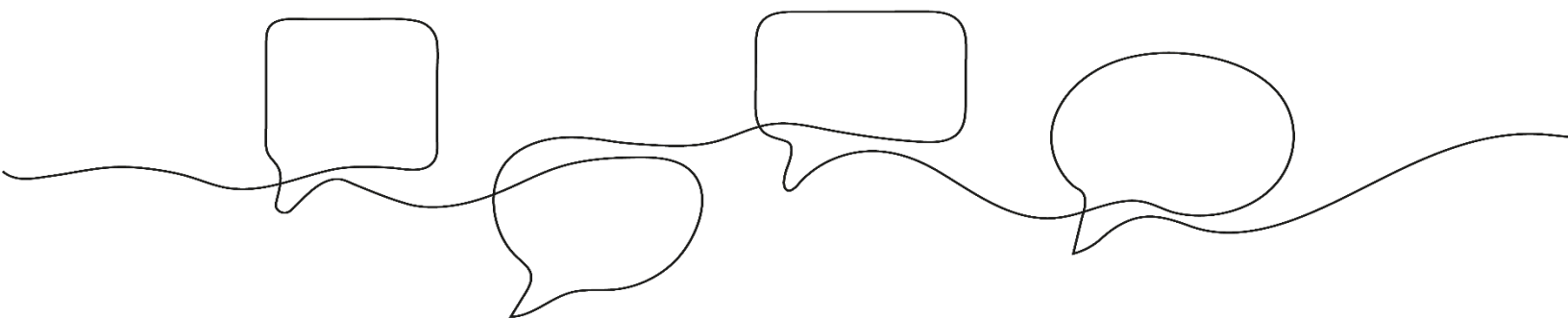
## Themed Book Club Meeting Ideas

- “Spirit Animal Circle”
    - Theme: Self-discovery, symbolism, intuition
    - What to Do:
      - Have each member take the [Hollow Island Spirit Animal Quiz](#).
      - Share which character they align with—and why.
      - Discuss how spirit animals symbolize each character’s inner struggle.
    - Extras:
      - Bring small animal figurines or tokens.
      - Offer animal-themed bookmarks as favors.
  - “Campfire on Hollow Island”
    - Theme: Mood, atmosphere, mystery
    - What to Do:
      - Dim the lights or meet outdoors; add candles or a (safe) tabletop “fire.”
      - Play ambient forest/wolf howling sounds in the background.
      - Read short passages aloud around the “campfire” to kick off discussion.
      - Food Idea: Bring snacks wrapped in parchment, dried fruit, tea, or “forest trail mix.”
  - “Red Moon Book Ritual”
    - Theme: Indigenous lore, transformation, healing
    - What to Do:
      - Begin the meeting with a symbolic activity, like writing a regret or memory on a slip of paper and (safely) burning or burying it.
      - Tie in Tomas’s or Sahara’s story arcs as a launching point for discussion about grief, healing, and ancestral weight.
    - Discussion Starter: “What would your character need to let go of to heal?”
  - “Characters Unmasked” Role-Play Round
    - Theme: POV, identity, empathy
    - What to Do:
      - Assign each participant a character from the book (Jack, Tomas, Esther, Sahara, Luis).
      - During discussion, answer questions in character or do a “hot seat” where others ask them things only their character could answer.
    - Example Prompt: “Why didn’t you leave Hollow when you had the chance?”
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- “Explore Hollow Island” Mini Adventure
    - Theme: Setting, world-building, immersion
    - What to Do:
      - Create a fictional “map” of Hollow Island using printed graphics or whiteboard sketching.
      - Place sticky notes or icons on the map as you discuss key events: where the body was found, the opera house, the wolf sanctuary.
      - Optional: use an interactive webpage or a “Field Guide to Hollow Island” handout.
    - Add-On: Share audio clips of ocean waves or forest wind to deepen the mood.
  - “Story Through Art” Session
    - Theme: Visual storytelling, emotional expression
    - What to Do:
      - Provide simple art supplies (colored pencils, paper, collage) and invite members to draw or collage:
        1. A scene from the book
        2. Their interpretation of a character
        3. An animal they connect with
    - Prompt: “What would your personal spirit scene on Hollow Island look like?”
  - “Opera of the Wolves” Music Night
    - Theme: Sound, Jack’s backstory, mood-setting
    - What to Do:
      - Play a curated *Summer Fruit* playlist (instrumentals, nature sounds, ambient folk or cinematic scores)
      - Ask: “What kind of music would play during Jack’s breakdown? Or Tomas’s visions?”
    - Extra Fun: Let each member contribute one song they think fits the book.
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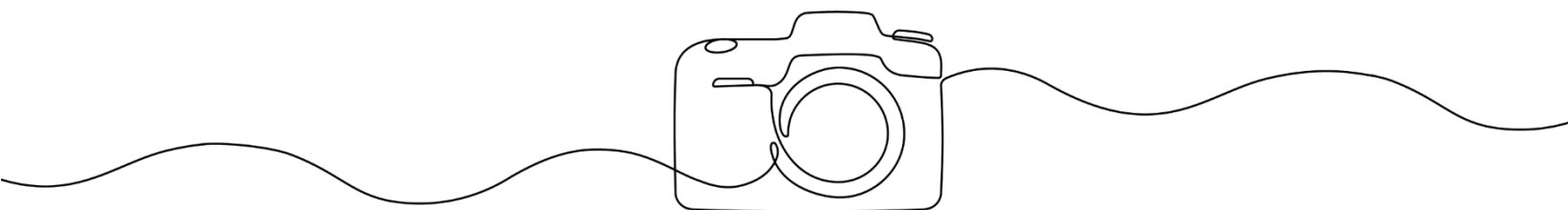
## Themed Book Club Recipe Ideas

- Wolf’s Howl Punch: Sparkling cranberry punch with lime slices
  - Pacific Salmon Sliders: Mini salmon burgers with dill sauce
  - Summer Berry Fruit Tart: In tribute to "Summer Fruit"
  - Campfire S'mores Dip: A nod to Tomas’s rugged outdoor scenes
  - Rustic Cheese Board: Local cheeses, dried fruits, and nuts for a forest-foraging vibe.
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Thank you for reading and discussing *Summer Fruit* with your club!

If you enjoyed the story, your voice can help others discover it too. A quick review on Amazon or Goodreads would mean the world—even a few words make a big difference!



**I'd love to see your book club in action!**

Snap a photo of your group reading or discussing *Summer Fruit* and share it on social media! Use #SummerFruitNovel and #SummerFruitBookClub so I can celebrate with you!

### **Other Picture Ideas**

Take a group selfie with the book at your book club meeting.

Share your favorite quote or moment from the book.

Share a snapshot of your themed snack table or own playlist.