



# LAST GIRLS

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## ABOUT LAST GIRLS:

Demetra Brodsky's *Last Girls* is a twisting, suspenseful YA thriller about sisterhood, survival, and family secrets set in the world of doomsday prepping. It's perfect for fans of Courtney Summers and Karen M. McManus.

In a secret compound in the Washington wilderness, Honey Juniper and her sisters are training to hunt, homestead, and protect their own. But when danger strikes from within, putting her sisters at risk, training becomes real life, and only one thing is certain:

Nowhere is safe.

## RAVE REVIEWS FOR LAST GIRLS:

"A riveting, pulse-pounding story about family, love, and what happens when the end of the world turns out to be the beginning."

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"Tense and compulsively readable."

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"This is a story of survival and figuring out who to trust in a world where the characters have been taught to trust no one."

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"A real page-turner." —BOOKLIST

## ABOUT LAST GIRLS:

1. *Last Girls* provides an intriguing look into prepper culture. What are some of the pros and cons of belonging to these unique communities?
2. The Juniper sisters have distinct personalities and interests despite their close upbringing. Did you relate to one character more than another, and why?
3. There is a fair amount of peer pressure in the coalition. How do you think that compares with the pressures the Juniper sisters face while attending high school with Outsiders?
4. There is a strong emphasis on the arts in the novel. Do you agree with Honey that the arts should be preserved after a catastrophic event?
5. Honey goes against the coalition rules in befriending Rémy. How did their relationship help her trust Outsiders and change her worldview?
6. Alice (the Juniper sisters' mother) is not who she pretends to be. What clues did the author plant along the way that the Juniper sisters might have missed?
7. In what ways do you think Toby's POV added to the overall mystery of the novel?
8. Ansel is also somewhat of a victim of the coalition. In what ways do you think he was manipulated by his father, Dieter, and his sister, Annalise?
9. Honey makes threat assessments for the people she meets and was proved wrong on a few occasions. In what ways did her understanding of people outside the coalition change as she spent more time with them?
10. Which scenes in *Last Girls* did you find the most suspenseful?



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

DEMETRA BRODSKY is an award-winning graphic designer & art director turned full-time author. A first-generation Greek American and native of Massachusetts with a B.F.A from the Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Demetra now lives in Southern California where she's always exploring and researching, hunting for clues that might feed into her next book. *Dive Smack*, her debut YA thriller, was a 2018 Junior Library Guild Selection, and an ALAN Pick (The Assembly on Literature for Adolescents of NCTE).