

READY PLAYER ONE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



Most people on earth spend their time in the virtual world of the Oasis. Given current trends toward immersive experiences, talk about whether or not you think the world is headed that direction.



What are the benefits to living in a world like the Oasis? What are the drawbacks? Would you want to have the option to go “play” in a world like the Oasis?



Why do you think Halliday chose to make his hunt for the Easter Egg a journey through the 80s? What was it about the 80s that spoke to him enough to build his world around it?



The first clue to Halliday’s Easter Egg was found on Ludus, home to the Oasis public school system. What does this say about the type of “gunter” Halliday hoped would find the egg? What other clues and challenges support that idea?



Identity is a hot topic in the book. What do the characters’ avatars tell us about their desires and insecurities?



Ready Player One is a dystopian novel. Do you see anything in the world today heading in the direction you see in the book?



Do you think Wade will ever push the Big Red Button, deleting the Oasis?



Do you think someone who didn’t live thorough 80s would enjoy this as much as people who did? Why or why not?