

Discussion Questions – *A SEAL's Temptation*

1. In an ironic twist, Lark asks, "Why wasn't regular coffee good enough for people?" What's your favorite coffeehouse drink?
2. At The Magic Beans, Lark unwittingly sells aphrodisiacs baked by her aunt Heather. Do you believe in them? If so, what's your favorite you've used? Is it okay to use them to "get a guy naked"?
3. Shane's call sign is "Scavenger" – there is nothing he can't find: supplies, enemies, information. How does his call sign play into his and Lark's story?
4. Lark's mom, Raine, had "itchy feet." Do you prefer change or stability? How has that preference shaped your life?
5. Lark and Shane fall into "instant lust." Has that ever happened to you? What did you do about it?
6. "When (Lark's) fingers were in clay, her head in a project, she could forget everything else." What do you do that makes time slip away?
7. Shane made Lark feel "...good. Alive and happy. Like herself again." Who or what makes you feel like that?
8. Lark talked to Shane's mother and had this to say about her own aunt, Heather: "...even if she was somewhere else...I'd know I could depend on her. She loves me. Isn't that what family is really for?" Do you agree? Is your family like this?
9. Lark's heart had been crushed before – her mother's death, Eric's dumping her, her inability to return to her old life. How did she find the strength to hope and risk again? How do you find hope in your own life?
10. Shane had his missions; Lark had her pottery. Those were the things that made each who they are. What about you? What do you have that makes you who you are?
11. Shane grew up with five sisters and one brother; Lark was an only child. How would this play into their relationship and their future?
12. When asked about living with the risk of loving a SEAL, one of the wives, Alexia, told Lark, "...living is a risk in and of itself. So why not be as happy as I could be while doing so?" Are you risk-averse or do you love a challenge?
13. Both Lark and Shane have had to deal with the loss of a parent. How did it affect each of them? How did it affect their relationship?
14. Aunt Heather tells Lark, "Happiness is a choice...sometimes it's also elusive and we have to work hard to find it." Agree or disagree? How so?
15. Shane told Lark that love is like her talent – "You can nurture it, work with it and grow it...Or you can ignore it. Just let it go and move on with your life." How else are love and talent similar?
16. One theme of *A SEAL's Temptation* is obligations vs. passion. How do you balance the two?