

Jill: A Biography of the First Lady By Julie Pace and Darlene Superville **Discussion Group Guide** 

- What impression did you have of the First Lady before reading *Jill: A Biography of the First Lady*? And, afterwards, did that impression change? How so?
- 2. What's something you learned about the First Lady that surprised you?
- 3. Do you think the public perception of Jill Biden is fair?
- 4. In the book, the authors write, "first ladies have long been expected to walk an imaginary line, being both a high- profile representative of the president while staying out of the work of the presidency." As a First Lady, how does Jill Biden compare to other women who have been in her position? Are there things that separate her from her predecessors?
- 5. What did you learn about her relationship to Joe and their children?
- 6. Jill and Joe Biden have survived the deaths of close loved ones, the chaotic ups and downs of life in politics, and so much more; what do you think has helped get them through it all?
- 7. What aspects of Jill's earlier life do you think prepared her for her current role as First Lady? How so?
- 8. How has Jill's commitment and expertise in education affected the nation? Are there any changes you hope to see during the Biden presidency?
- 9. Has this biography affected your view of what life in the public eye is like? A life in politics?
- 10. How will history remember Jill Biden?