

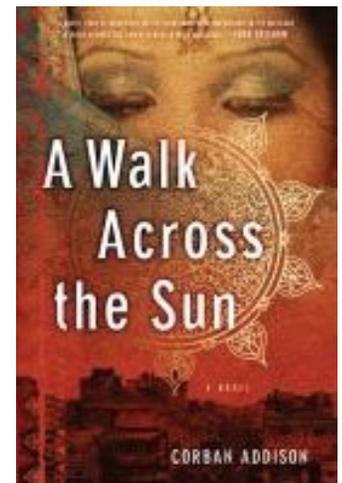


A Walk Across The Sun

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Discussion Questions

1. The title of the novel comes from a poem that Thomas composes for Priya near the end of the story. What is Thomas attempting to express by writing the poem? What is the thematic significance of the title?
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3. In the early stages of the story, Thomas witnesses the kidnapping of Abby Davis. How does the kidnapping continue to shape his thoughts and actions throughout the book?
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5. Sita begins the novel in the shadow of her older sister, envying many of Ahalya's attributes and relying on her for guidance and protection. Discuss some of the obvious, and not so obvious, ways in which Sita matures as the story progresses.
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7. What does Thomas's troubled relationship with Tera Atwood tell the reader about him as a romantic partner? What does Thomas learn about himself from this relationship?
- 8.
9. Both Thomas and Priya have complicated relationships with their fathers. How do these relationships influence their individual identities, their marital troubles, and their ultimate reunion?
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11. In what ways is the sisters' middle--class upbringing a liability following the tsunami? In what ways is it a resource?
- 12.
13. Though influenced by many factors, the dissolution of Thomas and Priya's marriage is triggered by the death of their daughter, Mohini. How do Thomas's experiences in the story help him cope with that loss?
- 14.
15. In what ways does Thomas's friendship with Dinesh shape Thomas's views on women and their treatment in India?
- 16.
17. The cast of criminals in the novel is diverse—ethnically, socio---economically, and personally. What does this diversity reveal about the causes and complexities of the modern slave trade?
- 18.
19. For much of the novel, the journeys of Sita and Ahalya are defined by tragedy and exploitation, yet the story concludes with a note of hope. What will the process of healing look like for them? As Thomas asks, will Sita ever want to marry a man after all that she has seen? Will Ahalya?





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Corban Addison is the internationally bestselling author of four novels, *A Walk Across the Sun*, *The Garden of Burning Sand*, *The Tears of Dark Water* (winner of the inaugural Wilbur Smith Adventure Writing Award), and the forthcoming *A Harvest of Thorns*, all of which address some of today's most pressing human rights issues. An attorney, activist, and world traveler, he is a supporter of numerous humanitarian causes, including the abolition of modern slavery and labor rights and supply chain transparency in the global economy. He lives with his wife and children in Virginia.

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