

ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA ALUMNAE BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
SEPTEMBER 2019 – “LET’S PRETEND THIS NEVER HAPPENED” BY JENNY LAWSON

1. What was your favorite moment or story in *Let’s Pretend This Never Happened*?
2. What specific aspects of Jenny’s childhood particularly intrigued or repelled you? Is it possible to have both reactions at the same time?
3. On page 115, Jenny talks about her changing hometown, the desire for that long-ago childhood, and how as time passes, it no longer feels like home. Can you relate to these feelings in any way?
4. Jenny and her husband have extremely different personalities, beliefs and political backgrounds, yet they’ve managed to stay happily married. What is behind the success of their relationship? In what ways can being opposites help people in a relationship?
5. Jenny wrote about her OCD, phobias and other mental struggles. Did this make her more or less relatable to you?
6. Jenny made the decision to infuse humor into even her most traumatic stories. What do you think of this choice? Have you ever used humor for healing?
7. What do you think Jenny was looking for in her life? Do you think she has found it?
8. Of the many stories and moments Jenny detailed from throughout her life, were there any that you identified with or could relate to?
9. Through reading this book, do you have a different perspective on how you can respond to the embarrassing moments in your life?
10. What is your biggest takeaway or lesson learned from *Let’s Pretend This Never Happened*?