

## Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment Discussion Questions

When Angel is taken, the Flock is devastated because they know she has been taken back to the School for more tests and experimentation. What options do they have for rescuing her? Why are they willing to put themselves in harm's way to save her?

Each of the six children in the Flock possesses a supernatural skill. How do these skills work together to make the Flock stronger? How does each child's strength contribute to the Flock? What similar characteristics do all six children possess?

Max and Fang are the same age, so why is Max the leader instead of Fang? What characteristics does she possess, which Fang lacks, that enable her to safely lead the Flock? What are the drawbacks to her leadership? Would Fang be a better leader? Why or why not?

Why is Jeb's betrayal more hurtful than even some of the experiments and tests the children have endured?

The Flock's search for their parents gives them hope for a new way of life. What do they expect to happen when they find them? Are their expectations realistic? Why or why not?

Iggy is blinded when scientists operate on him to try to improve his night vision. What does this show about the character of the scientists at the School? How does Iggy adapt to his blindness? How does his blindness affect the Flock?

Max hears a voice in her head, but she doesn't know whose it is or if she can trust what it says. How does she determine whether or not she can trust it? To whom could the voice belong? Why?

Discuss the existence of the Erasers. What is the purpose of the Erasers? What is the relationship between the Erasers and the six refugees? Do you think the Erasers enjoy their jobs? Explain.

Examine Max's personality. Do you think that Max is over protective? Is Max the best person to lead the family? What is your opinion of Max's "supergirl" tendencies?

Discuss the relationship between the six kids. Who are the closest? Why? Do their experiences and/or unique gifts help or hinder their relationships?

- What is a fatal flaw?

What does Max say is her fatal flaw?

What's yours?

- What does The Voice mean when it tells Max that knowledge is a terrible burden?

Have you ever had information others didn't that became a heavy weight on your shoulders?

What did you do?