

**Reading Group Questions: S J Norbury's *Mrs Narwhal's Diary***

Do you think the book works as a diary?

Is this a book that supports feminism?

There are three romantic relationships: Mrs Narwhal & Hugh, Rose & Nick, & Juliet & Tony. How do they compare?

Is the central relationship of the novel really the friendship between Mrs Narwhal and her sister-in-law, Rose?

Mrs Narwhal suspects her 'best foot forward approach' is considered old-fashioned nowadays. How far do you agree with her?

Narwhal Hall is described as being like an island. What does the writer mean by this?

Does the humour in the book serve any purpose other than to make you laugh?

By the end of the book, Narwhal Hall is becoming a successful tourist attraction. How credible do you find this?

How sympathetic are you to Hugh's leaving the household?

Compare the characters' different attitudes towards trust.