



Our conversation catalysts are personal, open-ended questions designed to help spark conversation. There are more than you'll have time to get to, so feel free to cherry pick the ones you feel will resonate the most - or make up your own. Sometimes it takes just three to five juicy questions to keep the conversation flowing.

Episode Five
'Flip the Script'

Host: Hanna, Alix
Time: 60 min 10 sec

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Open Discussion - Let your group guide the discussion

What struck you most about the story? What surprised or moved you? Which character did you relate to most and why? What do you think is the key takeaway or open question of the episode?

Wine, Cheese and an Unexpected Guest

Was the robber's reaction surprising to you? How would you have reacted to the situation? Would you have flipped the script like the woman at the dinner did? Why or why not? Was there ever a time where you used non-complementary behavior and it worked to your advantage?

You Think I'm a Terrorist? I'll Show You a Terrorist

In Jamal's case, when someone showed him hostility (for example, calling him a terrorist), he responds with complementary behavior. Was there ever a time where you matched someone's behavior or treatment towards you? Is this a smart route to take? Why or why not? Do you notice any cyclic patterns with complementary behavior? In matters of conflict, is 'fighting fire with fire' justifiably?

The Dating Game

In your opinion, are dating websites effective in showing people's true personalities? When it comes to dating, do you think it's an issue for people not to accept or show their true selves? David started a website called 'Settle For Love' to allow for more transparent dating. What kind of behavior would this promote: complementary or non-complementary? Would it be helpful to the dating process? Why?