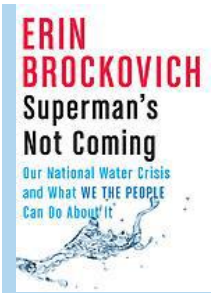
Discussion Guide



Superman's Not Coming
Erin Brockovich

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Water
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Summary

Erin Brockovich writes powerfully of the fraudulent science disguising our national water crisis: Cancer clusters are not being reported. People in Detroit and the state of New Jersey don't have clean water. The drinking water for more than six million Americans contains unsafe levels of industrial chemicals linked to cancer and other health issues. The saga of PG&E continues to this day. Yet communities and people around the country are fighting to make an impact, and Brockovich tells us their stories.

Questions

1. Explain what Erin Brockovich means when she titled her book, *Superman's Not Coming*? Do you agree with her perspective? Why or why not?
2. Describe a section of the book that resonated with you. Explain its impact on you.
3. Erin Brockovich describes her childhood. What about her upbringing influenced her work?
4. Do you find Erin Brockovich's plea, *"If you see something, say something*," compelling? Why or why not?
5. According to Erin Brockovich, how are corporations responsible for keeping the public water safe? What is the government's role for keeping water safe for the public to use? Describe how or why each entity is or is not meeting these commitments.
6. What new information resource did you discover by reading this book? Describe its significance.

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