FEARLESS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

ABOUT THE BOOK

He’s got one last chance
To make things right

Billy King may be smiling under his black Stetson, but the plain truth is this cowboy-turned-racer is hurting: for his horse back in Memphis, for his girl with one boot out the door, and for his faltering career thanks to an injury that’s not getting any better. The moment he’s free from the press circuit, Billy bolts home—resolved to heal, and ready to win Taryn’s heart a second time.

Hopefully, before the love of his life is gone for good.

Taryn Ledell never wanted to fall for sweet blue eyes and a deep southern drawl. As a World Superbike racer, she had plans, and none of them involved playing second fiddle to any man. But now he’s back, and she’s forced to make some hard choices. With her sponsors eager for a decision, Taryn finds herself tangled in all the lines they’ve drawn in the sand. But broken bones and broken hearts don’t heal overnight, and the cost of forgiveness can be sky high: unless Billy can prove that his heart never left the ranch…or her.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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PRAISE FOR FEARLESS

"Fearless is the perfect title for this book, packed with kickass women who aren’t afraid to go full throttle and demand their due, on the racetrack and off. The action is so vivid I could feel the motorcycle surging underneath me, feel the G-forces, and smell the burning rubber." —Kari Lynn Dell

"Katie Golding reaches out and grabs the readers emotions from the first page, and doesn't let go—not even when the book is finished.' —Carolyn Brown, New York Times and USA Today bestselling author

"The crisp prose, steamy sex scenes, and swift plotting combine into a diverting love story." —Publishers Weekly
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Both Billy and Taryn are professional motorcycle racers, but this wasn’t their intended careers. Billy planned to be a bull rider, while Taryn planned to pursue Sports Medicine. Have you ever dreamt about having a different career? What would it be?

2. When Billy comes home from the circuit at the start of the book, he pretends like everything is fine between him and Taryn despite their break up. Why do you think he does this? Discuss his approach to the reunion. Was it appropriate considering the circumstances, or do you think he should have done things differently?

3. Taryn is very adamant about not dating bull riders due to past experiences. Discuss if Taryn’s fears were valid. Are hard lines in relationships acceptable? What do you do in the event they are “crossed” – break up, or try to make it work?

4. Taryn starts the story in a very difficult place in her racing career, with having lost control over her image and watching it morph into something she’s not comfortable with. Discuss the challenges she faced in her problems with her publicity team. Do you think women face different obstacles in professional sports?

5. After Billy introduces Taryn to Lorelai, they become very close friends. Taryn has other female friends in both the rodeo and racing world, but says it’s very difficult to make friends as an adult. Do you find this to be true? Who would you want to be friends with in this story?

6. During the Christmas Eve date, Taryn is frustrated at the “box of lies” because she expects a marriage proposal from Billy. Discuss if her expectations were reasonable, or if her reaction was unfounded. Have you ever been disappointed in a romantic gift?

7. Billy and Mason are very protective of each other, despite their competitiveness as brothers. When Billy tells Mason during the vet visit that the breakup is not Mason’s fault, do you agree? Discuss why you feel Billy covered for Mason during the bull ride, and whether you think he was right or wrong to do so.

8. Billy has many confidence issues despite being “Fearless.” What are those struggles, and why are they plaguing a world famous racer? Discuss if Billy overcame his confidence issues by the end of the book.

9. In the end, Taryn decides to turn down the offer from her racing sponsors and buys a ranch in Memphis with Billy. Would you ever make career sacrifices for a relationship?

10. Who was truly more “Fearless” over the course of the story? Billy or Taryn?