



#### Questions for “Dying to do Letterman”

1. What emotions did you experience reading this book? Upset? Anxious? Reassured? Empowered?
2. How did you respond to Steve’s “voice” in this book? What were the aspects of comedy, self-mockery, and earnestness in his writing style that reached you?
3. What did you find to be the most compelling events in this book? What surprised you?
4. What is Steve Mazan’s most admirable quality?
5. Steve struggled with so many issues with his cancer: waiting for results, managing the reactions of others. What elements of Steve’s story did you respond to as a survivor, or a caregiver?
6. Our other book club authors were physicians, and presumably had educational and financial resources that helped them meet their diagnosis. How did this book compare, being written by an “ordinary mortal”? Was Steve’s journey easier to relate to, or less so, given the uniqueness of his career?
7. Steve puts a special emphasis on how cancer kickstarted his lifelong ambition to be on Letterman. In what way did cancer alter your career aspirations? Your personal aspirations?
8. What do you think will be your lasting impression of the book?