



# SummerReads

## BOOK DISCUSSION GUIDE

### *Hollow Air* by Verity Borthwick (Ultimo Press)

1. How does the setting of the remote mine in Far North Queensland contribute to the feeling of isolation?
2. How does Sarah navigate the challenges of being a female geologist in a male-dominated field?
3. What did you think about the parallel timelines? How did the two stories complement or contrast with each other?
4. What drives the main characters throughout the story? Are their motivations clear and relatable, or did you find them ambiguous or complex?
5. How does the novel use secrets or hidden truths to build suspense? Were there any twists that surprised you?
6. What themes emerge through the characters' conflicts and resolutions?
7. Discuss a turning point in the plot that significantly changed the story's direction or your understanding of the characters.
8. Were you satisfied with the ending? What questions did it leave you with, if any?