

CHAPTERS — WEEK 1 CUE CARD

EVERY STORY HAS CHAPTERS

PRIMARY GOAL

Create safety and connection. Ensure everyone has an opportunity to speak once.

HOW TO START

- Read the **Table Talk Welcome** aloud *verbatim*
 - Keep your tone relaxed and unhurried
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OPENING QUESTION (BEFORE TABLE TALK)

Ask this once, briefly:

“What made you decide to come tonight?”

(Short answers are perfect. Don’t follow up.)

LEADER POSTURE FOR THE NIGHT

- This is a *low-pressure* night
 - Do not push for depth or resolution
 - Listening counts as participation
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DURING THE TABLE TALK

- Let the silent reflection sit **at least 60 seconds**
- Choose **1–2 discussion questions only**
- Move on naturally if an answer runs long

WATCH FOR

- One person answering every question
- Awkward silence (don't rush it)

IF CONVERSATION STALLS

Use one prompt only:

- "Can anyone relate to that?"
- "What stood out to you so far?"

Then pause.

HOW TO CLOSE

- Read the **Table Talk Closing** aloud
- Thank the group for showing up and starting together

Do not summarize. Do not challenge. Do not teach.