## **Book Club Questions for Free the Bear**

## **Larger Issues:**

- Are you worried about the future with the growing use of Artificial Intelligence?
- How has CAL changed your previous thinking about AI?
- What do you think about the secessions currently happening in the world?
- Do you think a secession will ever happen in the United States? If so, what conditions would lead to it/make it justified?
- Is this book utopian or dystopian?
- What genre is this book to you?
- What questions did Free the Bear raise for you? Did it answer any questions?



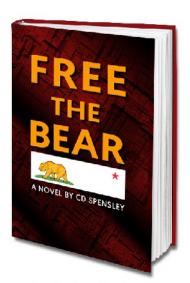
- Why do you think Courtney continues to stay with Louie Sabatini?
- Of all the characters, who do you think CAL likes the most? Or is that even a relevant question, i.e., to what degree is CAL similar or dissimilar to humans with regard to relationships?

## **Plot:**

- What do you think made Virgil turn into a villain? Is there hope for him to turn back around?
- What does CAL want?

## **Characters:**

- Who is your favorite character and why?
- Why did CAL want Durant to go get Louie?
- Can an AI be a good person? A good friend?
- Did any of the characters remind you of anyone you know or characters from any other stories?



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