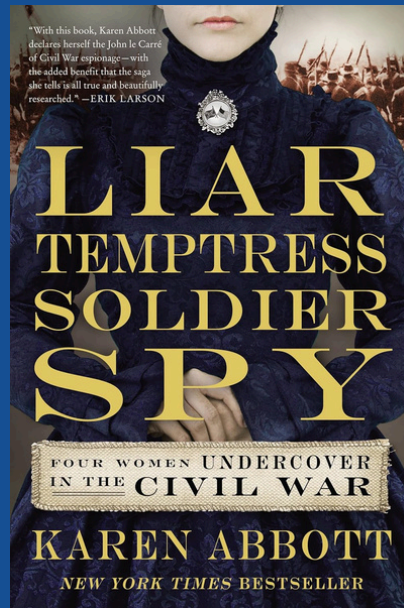


Discussion Questions

1. In several instances, the main female characters manipulate or outright defy traditional gender roles. How does each character use her femininity—and society’s notions of femininity—to achieve her goals?
2. Belle, Rose, and Elizabeth employed servants/slaves during their missions. How did each woman’s treatment of her servant/s differ? Did any of their views on slavery evolve over time?
3. The author’s sources for this book are extensive. Discuss the process she undertook to reconstruct this history. How does it benefit a society to have free access to historical documents? Is there such a thing as “historical truth”?

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