

Study Guide Questions for John Scalzi's Lock In

1. Once the Haden Syndrome became widespread what prompted the government to fund research and facilitate Integrators as well as Threeps?
2. How does the Abrams-Kettering bill change all that?
3. What is the purpose of the Agora? How is it like Oasis in Ready Player One?
4. What important plot developments occur at the dinner party at the home of Chris' parents?
5. What tensions shape the relationship between Chris and Vann?
6. Is Haden activist Cassandra Bell a terrorist or a freedom fighter?
7. How does Chris feel about what Ms. Bell is doing?
8. What are some examples of prejudice and misunderstanding regarding the "Locked In"?
9. How would the age at which you became "locked in" influence your desire for a cure?
10. How have Chris' parents dealt with this disability?
11. Technology often brings about a backlash, how is this shown in this novel?
12. Why did Scalzi use the term "threep" for the mobile bodies used by Hadens?
13. Does the discussion about what happens when the government stops funding the implants and private companies take over the "service" resemble any issues in our society today?
14. Why does this novel begin 25 years after the first occurrence of the disease?
15. In this novel the public has begun to feel threatened by the "Threeps" and/or the Hadens. Why is that and do you feel that is consistent with human nature?
16. How would a sequel to this novel begin?