Infinite Home by Kathleen Alcott

Faced with eviction from their Brooklyn brownstone at the hands of the unscrupulous son of their widowed landlady, a group of tenants, each with their own daily struggles, must turn to each other to find the security, family, and love that the world has denied them.

Why you’ll like it: Complex, character-driven, moving, lush, lyrical.

About the Author: Kathleen Alcott is the author of the novel The Dangers of Proximal Alphabets, which was translated into several languages. Her fiction, criticism, and essays appear in publications including The New Yorker, The Los Angeles Review of Books, The Coffin Factory, The Rumpus, ZYZZYVA, and elsewhere. Born in Northern California, she currently resides in Brooklyn.

Questions for Discussion

1. Were you immediately drawn into Infinite Home or did it take a while?
2. Infinite Home explores the lives of a variety of people. Which character have you been most captivated by? Who is your favorite?
3. Do any of the characters remind you of yourself or someone you know? How?
4. What is the significance of the title, Infinite Home? Would you have given the book a different title? If yes, what is your title?
5. What did you think of the structure and style of writing? Did you find it confusing to jump back and forth between the different characters in the apartment building?
6. What scene was the most pivotal for Infinite Home? How do you think the story would have changed had that scene not taken place?
7. Do you think the ending was appropriate? How would you have like to have seen the ending go?
8. Are there any books that you would compare this one to? How does Infinite Home hold up to them?

(Questions provided by thedcladies.com and bookbundlz.com)