

## *Ms. Marvel* Extra Discussion Questions

### Issue 1: “No Normal”

1. G. Willow Wilson not depicts the struggles of a teenage superhero, while focusing on accurately depicting Muslim culture. Provide examples of Kamala’s actions that indirectly inform the reader of Muslim culture.
2. How does society treat Kamala and Nakia?
3. What does Kamala view as perfection? What does her view of perfection say about her and society?

### Issue 2: “All Mankind”

1. This issue changes the depiction of Muslim and mainstream culture – what happens to Zoe? How does Kamala respond? What do these actions imply about these cultures?
2. Critics hail Ms. Marvel as the modern Peter Parker, meaning that teens can relate to her. Which actions, emotions, and situations can teens relate to? How does this strengthen the story?

### Issue 3: “Side Entrance”

1. Where does Kamala try out her shape shifting abilities? Why is this location surprising?
2. Kamalya doesn’t seem comfortable with her powers? Why is she uncomfortable with them and what does this tell us about women with power?
3. In this issue, Kamala has moments of disempowerment and empowerment – describe these moments. Why do they fit so well in the story?
4. What does Kamala’s solution to the problem reveal about her character?
5. How does Kamala respond to being shot?

### Issue 4: “Past Curfew”

1. What do Kamala’s fears reveal about her life and her view of a superheroes reputation?

2. What do serious and humorous lines tell us about society?
3. How does Bruno respond to Kamala's powers and what does this tell us about gender roles?
4. Why is Kamala trapped in her dilemma of helping others or obeying her parents? What does this dilemma tell us about her character?
5. In this issue, Kamalya is confronted with the question: what defines a hero. What does she discover? What does this realization tell readers?

#### Issue 5: "Urban Legend"

1. By issue 5, Kamala's character has started to change – provide examples of actions and dialogue that show her change. What does this change tell us about her character and the impact her superhero abilities have had on her.
2. How does G Willow Wilson remind readers that Kamala is just a kid?
3. When Kamala sneaks out, her mom and dad respond to this behavior differently. How does her dad's conversation with her mirror a theme of this series?
4. What does she learn in this issue?

#### Issue 6: "Healing Factor"

1. How does Wolverine interact with Kamala and vice versa? What does it tell us about these characters and their relationship with one another?
2. How does the change in art style impact the story?
3. At times, Kamala seems like a more powerful character than Wolverine. In what ways is she more powerful?
4. How does Kamala react to Wolverine's question about being a mutant? What does this reveal about her?