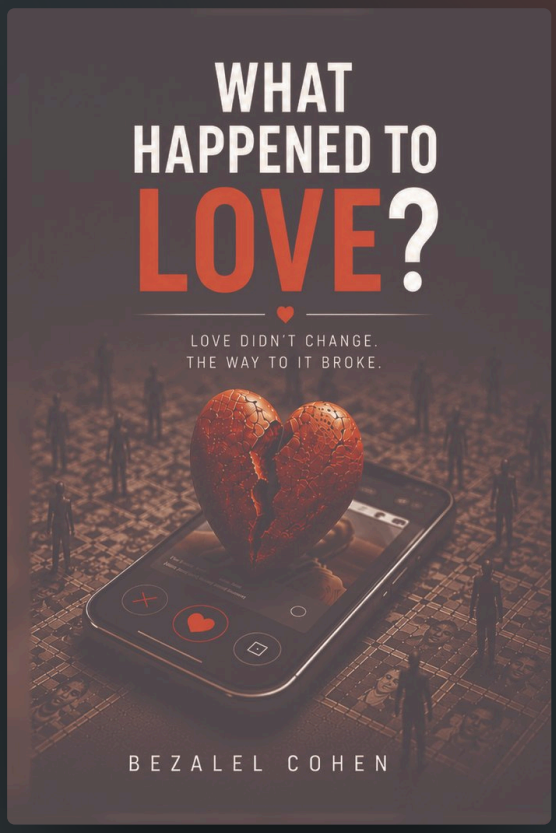
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Book Club Guide

What Happened to Love?

Love didn't change. The way to it broke.

by Bezalel Cohen

About the book

What Happened to Love? is an honest, funny and painful look at dating today: apps, endless options, constant comparison and the fear of missing out on something better.

Through his own story and the dates along the way, Bezalel Cohen asks why it's harder than ever to choose just when we have more choice than ever. It's not another dating guide. It's a mirror, and a reminder that love itself hasn't disappeared, only the way to it.

Questions for discussion

1. On his 25th birthday everyone wishes him the same thing: love. Why do you think love is the wish everyone makes for us?
2. "Chemistry and love are two completely different things." Where is the line between them, in your experience?
3. The paradox of choice: more options, less satisfaction. Have you felt it in dating, or in other areas of life?
4. "Human beings turn into options, and options are easier to replace than people." What have the apps done to the way we see people?
5. The book asks whether dating apps even have an interest in us finding love. What do you think?
6. The book talks about building a profile instead of building ourselves. What's the difference between who we present and who we are?
7. "Real fears don't come and say: Hello, I'm fear. They come disguised as logic." Which of your fears disguise themselves as "standards" or "caution"?
8. "Before it is not good for man to be alone, it's very important that a man know how to be alone." What did you learn about yourself in times you were single?
9. The other room: we almost always fall in love with the next stage of life. How do we truly live in the stage we're in?
10. The book asks whether we really have a "type". Has your list helped you find someone, or kept you from meeting them?
11. The book separates independence from the difficulty of receiving. Is it easier for you to give, or to receive?
12. There's no formula for love at the end of the book. Is that disappointing, or freeing?

Quotes to talk about

> The heart wasn't built for infinite options. It was built for people.

> When you live with the feeling that something better is always waiting, it's very hard to fall in love with what's already in front of you.

> Dependence says: I can't stand without you. Love says: I can stand on my own, but I want you beside me.

> Not to stop wanting love, but to stop demanding that it save you.

> Maybe nothing happened to love. Maybe we just forgot how to be inside it.

About the author

Bezalel Cohen is an Israeli author who writes about the things that are hard to say out loud: identity, belonging and love. He writes in the first person, without masks, with a lot of honesty and a little humor. Datiloni and What Happened to Love? are available on Amazon in English and Hebrew.

How to use this guide

- You don't need to answer every question. Pick the 4–5 that speak to you.
- Try opening the meeting by reading one of the quotes out loud.
- Taking a photo of your meeting? Tag me on Instagram @bezcohen, I'd love to see it.

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