## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR THE COLDEST WINTER EVER BY SISTER SOULJAH

- 1. What is the meaning behind the title of the novel?
- 2. What was Winter's relationship like with her mother? Father? Sisters? Friends?
- 3. There are several themes in the novel: life/death, time, drugs, spirituality, and role models. Discuss the various themes and their significance in the novel. Durham County Library Page 3 Book Club Kit Discussion Guide
- 4. What does Winter discover about her father when she takes her mother to visit him in prison? What impact does this have on the Santiaga family?
- 5. Why did Sister Souljah include herself as a character in the novel?
- 6. What was Sister Souljah trying to achieve by writing the novel?
- 7. Rick Santiaga, Midnight, and Bullet appear throughout the novel. How are these characters juxtaposed against one another?

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