

## Sample Interview Questions

**Carol Bodensteiner, Author**

### *Go Away Home*

What is the *Go Away Home* story?

Where did the idea for *Go Away Home* come from?

Why did you decide to write a novel?

What was life like in Iowa in the early 1900s? How did you portray that in your novel?

What was most challenging about writing historical fiction?

How different was life for young women in 1914 compared to women in the 1960s and young women today?

What kinds of research did you do? What were your best resources?

What are some of the most interesting things you found in your research?

What are the key themes of the novel?

How difficult was it to move from writing a memoir (*Growing Up Country*) to writing fiction?

What was the most fun about writing a novel?

How long did it take to write?

What do you hope readers will take away from reading *Go Away Home*?

Where can readers get a copy?

Why did you choose to publish independently?

What are the pluses and minuses of indie publishing?