Questions for *Shredderman: Secret Identity*

Nolan's mom says Bubba Bixby was born mean. His dad says a boy isn't born bad, he grows into being bad. What do you think?

The principal, Dr. Voss, says kids like Bubba "help us get ready for life." What do you think she means by that? Do you agree with her or disagree with her?

Mr. Green usually makes the kids in his class do their projects by hand instead of using the computer. Why do you think he insists on this? Is it a good idea?

How would you describe Nolan in terms of his personal qualities? Why do you think he doesn't have any friends at the beginning of the book? What makes him a "nerd"?

What happens to Nolan as he gets into his project on Bubba? How does he start to change during his interactions with other kids?

On page 44, when he is in the middle of creating his website, Nolan says "Forward was scary, but back seemed worse." What do you think he means by this?

Mr. Green, according to Nolan, "could see the Nolan that was hidden by the Nerd." Nolan says, "Inside, I had lots of ideas that were cool and funny. Inside, I was strong and quick… Inside, I had room for lots of friends." What is the difference between his inside and his outside? Do you ever feel like people don't really know the real you?

Some of the pages on Nolan's Bubba website are funny, but also kind of mean. Do you think he should have included them? Was he being a bully, too?

How does being Shredderman change Nolan?

What made Nolan decide to do his project on his dad?

The solution to bullies in this book is what? How did Nolan's class deal with Bubba by the end of the book?

Mr. Green says, "It's what you do when no one is looking that tells us what kind of person you really are." What does that mean? Do you agree? Why or why not?

Nolan's website is the way he tries to fight against Bubba's bullying behavior, and it actually kind of works. He sees Bubba's behavior as an injustice against himself and his classmates. Do you ever notice injustice in the world and do you ever try to fight against it?