

*Vanish* Discussion Questions:

1. What similarities did you find between Conner, Mitch, and Helen?
2. What flaws did each of them have? What redeeming qualities?
3. What did Howard mean when he said that Helen “may very well have been a nice person. But she was hardly good”?
4. What do you suppose was the significance of Kyle’s burns?
5. How did Mitch’s opinion of God impact his behavior toward his mother?
6. Toward the end of the book, an evil character is used to reveal certain spiritual realities. Do you think it’s possible for evil people to proclaim truth?
7. Were the boy’s actions earlier on in the story consistent with his identity that’s revealed at the end of the story? What was the significance of the fact that he didn’t speak?
8. How did you feel about Mitch’s fate at the end of story?