Online Book Club

The Voracious Volcano Mystery

Talk About It!

- 1. Have you ever seen a volcano? Would you like to visit one? Why or why not?
- 2. Are you more like Nick or Curie? Explain why.
- 3. What was your favorite part of the book? Why? Was it exciting, scary, or happy?
- 4. Artemis meets his old college friend, Bob Conners, at Yellowstone National Park. He tells Nick and Curie that sometimes you lose track of your friends even when you don't mean to. Have you ever lost track of a good friend? What can you do to keep in touch with friends you have now?
- 5. Artemis gave the rights to his invention to the Amputee Coalition of America. Do you think that was the right thing to do? Why or why not?
- 6. Nick and Curie catch the thieves at a coin collectors' convention. Do you like to collect anything like coins, stamps, dolls, or baseball cards? If so, talk about why you collect that certain thing. Why did you start? How many do you have? What's your favorite?
- 7. Nick and Curie couldn't prove that Suni Ki was a thief until they found "substantial evidence." Do you think saying someone did something wrong is enough, or should you have to prove they did something wrong?

8. The kids put fake coins into the thieves' pockets because the same move worked once in a movie they had seen. Do you think things from movies can work in real life? Why should you be careful about trying movie stunts?

9. Nick and Curie decided not to tell their father about the listening device on their van because they wanted to know more before they went to him. Do you think they did the right thing? Why or why not?