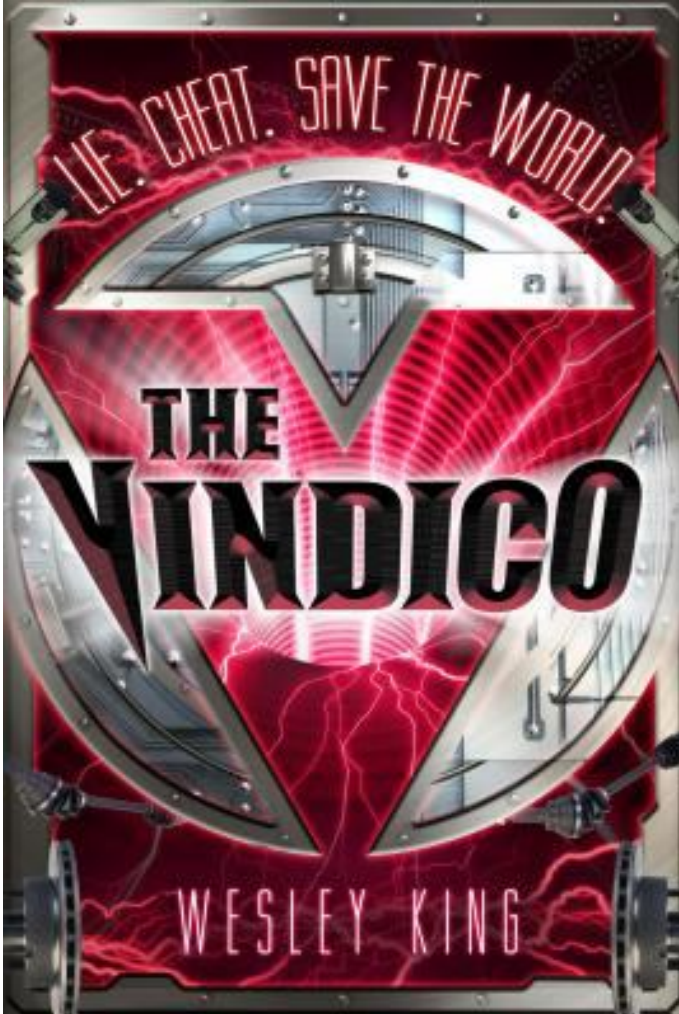


# The Vindico

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Discussion Guide



## Pre-reading Questions:

1. Would you rather be a super hero or a super villain? Why?
2. If you were a super hero/villain, what would your super power be? Why?

## Post-reading Questions:

1. Who was your favorite Vindico recruit? Why?
2. Who was your favorite Vindico villain? Why?
3. The kids go along with training under the villains because they want to be super heroes. Do you think this is a good or bad decision? Why?
4. The kids soon find themselves confused on who the real bad guys are, and go back and forth in the final battle wondering who they should fight. Do you think they should have sided with the villains? Or were the kids right with siding with the heroes? Why?
5. While heading to the Perch, the Baron says they don't need a plan to escape. He claims "Eventually, our former protégés will free us... because they'll soon find out that its far more fun to be a villain." Do you think he is right? Why or why not?

## Activity:

The Vindico used many persuasive techniques (threats, bribes, manipulation) to get the kids to join them. Have you ever experienced peer pressure in a form similar to that used in the book? Write an essay comparing a situation you have experienced with a situation from the book.