



**READING GUIDE: GRADES 3-5**

# ***The Invisible Boy*** **Classroom Discussions**

Books can offer fun, adventure, learning, and laughs. From an early age, many children understand that reading can help expand their understanding of the world and help them navigate the unknown waters of elementary school. Books can also help illustrate and support the social-emotional learning students are doing in class. That's one of the reasons we've included recommended reading as part of the Second Step® family of programs. Topics include empathy, inclusion, and bullying prevention.

One of the books we recommend is *The Invisible Boy* by Trudy Ludwig, a nationally acclaimed speaker, award-winning author, and the author of several stories you'll find in Second Step® Bullying Prevention Unit lessons.

The following free classroom activity includes before-, during-, and after-reading prompts and instructions to help teachers guide a discussion about how it feels to be excluded and what students can do to help. The activity also includes our book review of *The Invisible Boy* and an interview with the author.

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