

THE DYNAMITER

Discussion Guide

1. What is the significance of the title? Why is this film called THE DYNAMITER?
2. Is the older brother Lucas a sympathetic character? How are Robbie and Lucas different? How are they alike?
3. Discuss the narrative style: many key details of the film are unexplained. (Where is the father, for example?) How does this change your experience of the story? Would the narrative have more or less emotional resonance if these “holes” were filled in?
4. Robbie’s writing, heard in voice-over, punctuates THE DYNAMITER. This does not serve to drive the story, but more to provide aesthetic texture and emotional depth. Discuss this choice and how it affected your experience of the movie.

