

WHAT CAN A CITIZEN DO? DAVE EGGERS AND SHAWN HARRIS

Citizens can do a lot of different and interesting things to make their community and country a better place. It doesn't matter how old or young you are, if you are a part of a community, you can do things to improve it. What can you do? Read about all the wonderful things you can do!



Questions:

- 1. What does the word citizen mean?
- 2. What sorts of things do good citizens do?
- 3. Do all citizens look the same? Do they all love the same things?
- 4. Do you think that citizens should care? What can they care about?
- 5. If a citizen is what you do, what sorts of things should good citizens do?
- 6. "A citizen cannot forget the world is more than you." What does that mean? Why is that something that is important to remember at all times?
 - 7. Why is it important to do things for other people?
 - 8. So what can you do to be a good citizen?

ACTIVITY: Make a list of all the things that good citizens can do. Talk about the things that the kids themselves can help with. Can they write letters? Can they volunteer? Can they make new friends with people that are different from them? Can they donate things they no longer need? Can they encourage their parents to do great things?