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Video Discussion Questions

Directions: Watch the video "*Storyworks Behind the Scenes: The Evil Swirling Darkness.*" Then answer the questions below.

1. At the beginning of the video, you see images and hear writer Lauren Tarshis's description of the destruction caused by a tornado in Joplin, Missouri, in 2011. What is one thing you see or hear that helps you understand how terrible the tornado was?

2. What did Lauren learn about when she went to Joplin? Include two details in your answer.

3. According to the video, what is historical fiction? What is nonfiction? Which one is the article "The Evil Swirling Darkness"?

4. Who did Lauren decide to focus on in the article?

5. What big idea did Lauren want to share by writing this article?
