Violence is a serious topic. It has affected many lives including mine. A lot of my friends have been injured or hurt by violence. One of my close friends was walking home one day and she ended up getting jumped. She didn’t know the people who jumped her. She had a broken arm and one of her ribs was broken. This girl was one of my best friends at the time and it hurt me to see her hurt. I felt really bad about that because I couldn’t help her.

There are many causes of youth violence. A major cause is television. There are a lot of violence and negativity on TV so the youth think that it is okay. They assume that because it is broadcasted on television that it is okay but it really isn’t. If people reduce the amount of violence on TV, then maybe we could limit the amount of violence in the streets. Another cause of youth violence is the Internet and social media. People say mean things on the Internet and then other people instigate. That makes people angry and then they might do something they will regret later on. If we take away some social media websites, then people won’t be sending as much hate and rude things online.

People around the world can do many things to stop youth violence. Parents or guardians can limit the amount of time that kids watch TV or go on the Internet. If kids have a certain amount of time to do things on the Internet and TV, they won’t see as much violence as they did before. We can also help people control their anger. If we can teach them how to control what they say then a lot of violence could be prevented. The more people talk to the youth about violence; the more kids and teenagers will get the message and stop doing what they are doing.

Today a lot of kids don’t really understand how dangerous and serious violence is. They think it is all fun and games until someone gets hurt or killed. A lot of today’s
deaths are caused by youth violence. If we don’t stop violence now then it will get worst and can ruin the world. More people will die and families will be hurt. The more we try to stop violence and get the word out, the faster the youth will listen and stop the violence. My message to the youth is to stop the violence and replace it with peace.